



FOUNDATION NEWS



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EFF President

These are unprecedented times as our health and society are challenged. From our smallest towns to our largest cities, everyone is being asked to work together as a community to support and protect each other. We recognize and advocate for those who are calling for change and committing to make a positive difference. Many of you have been called away from your direct Endocrinology duties to assist in caring for those impacted by COVID-19. Our thanks go out to all of you who are assisting in meeting this health challenge.

Endocrine training has been significantly impacted with the cancellation of most professional society meetings significantly limiting your ability to enhance skills and knowledge. EFF has been impacted as well, and all in person activities have been suspended until 2021 when hopefully we can safely resume our annual Diabetes thought leader development meeting in February and our bone preceptorship at Columbia University Medical Center in May 2021.

That said, we are pleased to announce that the September 2020 EFF/ASBMR Fellows Forum will be offered in a virtual format with application and program details coming later this month. Additionally, we will be launching a new website and have set up a Facebook group for the EFF community and program alumni to stay connected. We hope you will take advantage of all these opportunities in the coming months.

Our research grant program remains strong. Congratulations, to the six recipients of the 2020 Spring grants:

- **Svetlana Azova**, Boston Children's Hospital
- **Rebecca Aguirre**, Indiana University
- **Itivrita Goyal**, The University at Buffalo
- **Emily Rosenberg**, The Brigham and Women's Hospital, Inc.
- **Nina Suda**, Columbia University Medical Center/New York Presbyterian Hospital
- **Jia Zhu**, Boston Children's Hospital.

We encourage Fellows with new research projects to apply when the Fall Cycle application window opens in July.

This pause in our lives is an opportunity to rethink the models by which we learn, value and live. Despite the current adversity we hope that the lessons and insights each of us has gained during this time will make us even better prepared for a successful future in medicine.

Board Member Spotlight



Annaswamy Raji, MD, MMSc, FACE
Senior Principal Scientist/Clinical Director
Merck Research Labs, Rahway, NY

Endocrinologist
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We are proud to recognize Dr. Anna Raji for her dedication to EFF and her community volunteer work.

Volunteer Dr. Anna Raji provides care and comfort to veterans amid COVID-19 pandemic

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Launching Endocrine Fellow Foundation Social Media Outreach

By Ricardo Correa and Jenn Kirkwood
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In the last decade, the use of social media in medicine and medical education has exponentially increased. Social media websites and applications are online environments where users contribute, retrieve, and explore content primarily generated by fellow users. As opposed to more traditional forms of information and communication technologies used in health care organizations, the content generated through social media is typically created by users for users, thus allowing knowledge and support to flow more effectively. (1)

The most common social media platform uses for medical education and networking include Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter. Each one of them is used differently.

Twitter handle: [@endocrinefellow](#)

Facebook address: <https://www.facebook.com/endocrine.fellows>

Facebook groups:

- General EFF group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/626307611562192>
- EFF Alumni: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/272025963939551>

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Fall Grant Applications - Open July 1, 2020

Upcoming EFF Events

Preceptorship in Metabolic Bone Diseases
2020 Program cancelled due to COVID-19

Forum on Metabolic Bone Disease
September 8 - 9, 2020
Virtual program - applications opening soon

Upcoming Endocrinology Events

Endocrine Society
Virtual Program - [Endo Online 2020](#)
June 8 - 22, 2020

American Diabetes Association
Virtual Program - [80th Scientific Sessions](#)
June 12-16, 2020

ASBMR - [Annual Meeting](#)
September 11-14, 2020

