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# SECTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

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The Section of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Medicine provides outstanding state-ofthe-art clinical care and creates and applies knowledge through research, scientific discovery, and medical education and training locally and globally; all done with innovation and compassion to advance health and wellness. The Section is the primary academic unit serving the clinical adult infectious diseases research community within Baylor College of Medicine. As such, the Section is a critical force in achieving both the strategic and mission objectives of the College.

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Dr. Thomas Giordano is the Chief of the Section. Dr. Robert Atmar is Chief of the Infectious Diseases Service at Ben Taub Hospital, Dr. Maria Rodriguez-Barradas is Chief of the Infectious Diseases Service at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, and Dr. Laila Woc-Colburn is Medical Director of Infectious Diseases for the Baylor Faculty Group Practice. Dr. Jose Serpa is Program Director for the Infectious Diseases fellowship training program, and Dr. Prathit Kulkarni is Associate Program Director. Ms. Regina Davis is the Section Administrator.

The Section provides most of the adult infectious diseases clinical care at BSLMC; all of the adult infectious diseases care at the McNair Clinic, MEDVAMC, BTH and Smith Clinic; about half of the HIV care at TSHC (McGovern School of Medicine faculty also staff the clinic); and all of the adult infectious diseases consultation services at the Pavilion for Women and Texas Children's Hospital. The Section provides critical Infectious Diseases clinical expertise to many of the Transplant Service at BSLMC and McNair clinic. The Section provides critical Infection Prevention and Antibiotic Stewardship services at BSLMC, MEDVAMC, and BTH. Decreasing hospital-acquired infections is essential for patient safety, hospital reputation, and hospital rankings.

The Section provides outstanding medical education leadership and teaching to the College, including the School of Medicine, the School of Allied Health Sciences, the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, and the National School of Tropical Medicine. The Section's faculty lead and provide the majority of lectures for the School of Medicine's core course on Infectious Diseases, the National School of Tropical Medicine's Diploma in Tropical Medicine course, and the School of Allied Health Sciences lectures and case studies on infectious diseases. In addition, at the School of Medicine the faculty host elective clinical rotations, and provide leadership in research electives, wellness and specialty electives, the International Medicine Program, and the Global Health Track, and serve on the Curriculum Committee.

The Section is research focused, with support from NIH, VA, CDC, HRSA, industry, and other sources and over 200 non-duplicated publications since January 2015.

The Section's faculty serve vital administrative and service roles in the College, including serving on the Curriculum Committee, the Faculty Senate, Institutional Review Boards, the Biosafety Committee, the Environmental Safety Committee, the Medical Education Committee, the Dean's Residency Manpower Committee, the College's Rising Star and Master Clinician Awards Steering Committee, the Institutional Dual Use of Research Concern Committee, the Faculty Development Forum, and as Faculty Inclusion Ambassadors.

Congratulations and thank you to the faculty, administrators and staff for another outstanding year for the Section of Infectious Diseases.

Sincerely, Thomas P. Giordano, MD, MPH



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Atmar	Robert	M.D.	Professor	Primary
Bradshaw	Major	M.D., M.S.	Professor	Primary
Breaux	Katharine	M.S.	Instructor	Primary
Chan	Galant	M.D.	Assistant Professor	Primary
Chiao	Elizabeth	M.D., M.P.H.	Professor	Primary
Chou	Andrew	M.D.	Assistant Professor	Primary
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# AWARDS AND HONORS

Atmar	USDA/NIFA Partnership Award, Innovative Programs and Projects
Breaux	• Selected by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) as one of "50 PAs Making a Difference" out of the more than 115,500 Certified PAs.
Mejia	• Appreciation Award from BCM Center of Excellence Research Summit, June 19, 2018.
Parkerson	• Norton Rose Fulbright Faculty Achievement Award in Teaching and Evaluation, November 2017
Rose	<ul> <li>AAMC Early Career Women Faculty Leadership Development Seminar Attendee (July 2017)</li> <li>AAMC Te4Q (Teach for Quality) Faculty Development Course Attendee (November 2017)</li> <li>Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) Back to Bedside Awardee (Faculty mentor) (one of 30 projects selected among 223 applications; notified in October 2017)</li> <li>Author and Faculty Presenter for "Peer-to-Peer Pearls: Improving Trainee Wellness Through Shared Experiences." Accepted as a 90-minute workshop for the national Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) Annual Educational Conference, Orlando, FL, March 2, 2018.</li> <li>Texas Super Doctors Rising Stars 2018 (notified January 2018; to be published in <u>Texas Monthly</u> in July 2018) (peer selection process, recognizing top 2.5% of physicians in the area)</li> </ul>
Serpa	• Advanced to Fellow of the American College of Physicians, 2017
Weatherhead	• Advanced to Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2017



#### LEADERSHIP

Al Mohajer	<ul> <li>Member, BCM Department of Medicine Quality Improvement and Innovation Vice Chair Group and Liaison for Infectious Diseases Section, September 2017 – present</li> <li>Member, Finance Committee, Infectious Diseases Society of America</li> <li>Member, Public Policy and Government Affairs Committee, Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America</li> <li>Member, Grassroots Network Committee, Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America</li> <li>Member, Antimicrobial Stewardship Executive Committee, Houston Health Department</li> </ul>
Atmar	<ul> <li>Vice-chair, IRB5, Baylor College of Medicine</li> <li>Vice-chair, Institutional Biosafety Committee, Baylor College of Medicine</li> <li>Chair, Institutional Dual Use of Research Concern Committee, Baylor College of Medicine</li> </ul>
Chiao	<ul> <li>Chair, Non-AIDS Defining Cancer Working Group AIDS Malignancy Consortium</li> <li>Member, BCM Department of Medicine Research Vice Chair Group and Liaison for Infectious Diseases Section</li> </ul>
Dang	• Member, The Leadership Advisory Council, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness and Safety, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX
Giordano	<ul> <li>Chief, Section of Infectious Diseases, Department of Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine</li> <li>Medical Director of HIV Services and the Thomas Street Health Center, Harris Health System, Houston, TX</li> <li>Chief, Clinical Epidemiology and Comparative Effectiveness Program, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness and Safety, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX</li> <li>Co-Chair, Policy and Research Work Group, END HIV Houston</li> <li>Member, Faculty Development Forum, Baylor College of Medicine</li> <li>Vice-Chair, Faculty and Staff Development, Department of Medicine, May 2017 to June 2018</li> </ul>
Hamill	<ul> <li>Vice-Chair for Education, Department of Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine</li> <li>Chair, Subcommittee for Research Safety, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center</li> </ul>
Mindru	President, Houston Infectious Diseases Society



Rose	<ul> <li>Co-chair, Texas ACP Wellness Committee</li> <li>National Well-being Champion, ACP (Texas representative)</li> <li>Invited Member / BCM Representative, Physician Engagement Resiliency Taskforce, Resident Wellbeing Subgroup, The Methodist Hospital</li> <li>BCM Medical Student Liaison program, January 2016 – present</li> <li>BCM BeWell Wellness Champion, August 2017 – present</li> <li>Member, BCM Resident Service and Evaluation Committee</li> <li>Member, BCM Department of Medicine Grand Rounds Planning Committee</li> <li>Faculty Chair, BCM Internal Medicine Resident Wellness Committee</li> <li>Member, BCM Department of Medicine Education Vice Chair Group and Liaison for Infectious Diseases Section</li> </ul>
Weatherhead	• American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Certificate of Knowledge Exam (cTropMed), Committee Member
Woc-Colburn	• Member, BCM Department of Medicine Faculty and Staff Development Vice

Chair Group and Liaison for Infectious Diseases SectionMember and Chair-Elect, Baylor College of Medicine Faculty Senate



# EDITORIAL BOARDS, STUDY SECTION and GUIDELINES PANELS

Al Mohajer	Ad hoc Reviewer, Transition Medicine Ligums Family Grant Reviews
Atmar	<ul> <li>North American editor, Journal of Infection</li> <li>Editorial Board, Journal of Infectious Diseases</li> <li>NIH/NIAID/DMID, Member, Scientific Review Group, Member Conflict: Topics in Virology, ZRG1 IDM-X, July 25, 2017</li> <li>DSMB - NIH/NHLBI – Influenza Vaccine to Effectively Stop Cardio Thoracic Events and Decompensated Heart Failure (INVESTED), DSMB Member</li> <li>DSMB - NIH/NIAID/DMID Protocol No. 16-0092 – A Phase 2 Multi-Center, Prospective, Randomized, Double-Blind Study to Assess the Clinical and Antiviral Efficacy and Safety of Nitazoxanide for the Treatment of Norovirus in Hematopoietic Stem Cell and Solid Organ Transplant Recipients, DSMB Chairman</li> <li>Member, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), CDC</li> </ul>
Chiao	<ul> <li><i>Ad hoc</i> member NCI Board of Scientific Advisers for AIDS Malignancies</li> <li><i>Ad hoc</i> member of NCI Committee to Develop an Important Questions on HIV Malignancy RFA</li> <li>Organizing committee for the International Conference on HIV Malignancies</li> <li>Organizing committee for Eurogin (European Conference on Gynecology)</li> </ul>
Chou	<ul> <li>Infectious Diseases Society of America Diagnostic Committee (Voting Member)</li> <li>Section Editor, <u>Current Tropical Medicine Reports</u></li> <li>IDweek Abstract Reviewer</li> </ul>
DiNardo	• NIH/NIAID Member, Scientific Review Group, NIAID Clinical Trial Implementation Cooperative Agreement (U01), ZAI1 JRR-A (M2)
Giordano	<ul> <li>Grant Reviewer, MEDVAMC Seed Grant Program, July 2017.</li> <li><i>Ad hoc</i> Reviewer, Einstein-Rockefeller-CUNY Center for AIDS Research Developmental Grant Program, August 2017.</li> <li>Grant reviewer, Baylor College of Medicine Population Medicine – Precision Health pilot grant program, April 2018.</li> <li>Scientific Track Chair (HIV Care Continuum), Scientific Planning Committee Member, Abstract Reviewer, and Faculty Member, Thirteenth International Conference on HIV Treatment and Prevention Adherence, Miami, FL, June 8-10, 2018.</li> <li>Invited Judge, Baylor College of Medicine Department of Surgery Research Day, June 6, 2018.</li> <li>Standing Member, National Institutes of Health, Behavioral and Social Consequences of HIV/AIDS (BSCH) Study Section, July 2012 to June 2018.</li> <li>Member, US Department of Health and Human Services Panel on Antiretroviral Guidelines for Adults and Adolescents, March 2014 through February 2018; renewed by invitation March 2018 to February 2022.</li> <li><i>Ad hoc</i> Consultant, United States Food and Drug Administration Antimicrobial Drug Advisory Committee (formerly the Anti-Infective Drugs Advisory Committee), October 2014 through September 2018.</li> </ul>



Hamill	<ul> <li>Associate Editor, <u>Journal of Infection</u></li> <li>Member, NIH/CDC/HIV Medicine Association of the IDSA Cryptococcosis &amp; Coccidioides Guideline Writing Subcommittee, HHS Guidelines for Prevention and Treatment of Opportunistic Infections in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents</li> <li>Member, NIAID Division of Microbiology &amp; Infectious Diseases Data &amp; Safety Monitoring Board for DMID Protocol 14-0053; a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial of fluconazole as early empiric treatment of coccidioidiomycosis pneumonia (Valley Fever) in adults presenting with community-acquired pneumonia (CAP) in endemic areas</li> </ul>
Mejia	<ul> <li>Associate Editor for <u>Current Tropical Medicine Reports</u></li> <li>Associate Editor <u>PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases</u></li> </ul>
Mendoza	<ul> <li>Member, Infectious Diseases Society of America Journal Club</li> <li>Member, AIDS Clinical Trials Group End Organ Disease / Inflammation Transformative Group</li> </ul>
Mindru	Judge, BCM Annual Resident Research Symposium
Rose	<ul> <li>Monthly contributor (audio reviews) for <u>Practical Reviews</u>, Oakstone Publishing</li> <li>Abstract judge, Houston ACP Associates Day, Baylor College of Medicine,</li> </ul>



#### **RESEARCH FUNDING**

REASEARCHER	Sponsor	Award #	PROJECT NAME	BUDGET YR
ATMAR, ROBERT LEGARE	NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NIAID)	T32-AI055413- 15	YEAR 15 - RESEARCH TRAINING IN INFECTIONS AND IMMUNITY	6/8/2018- 5/31/2019
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)	UM1-CA121947 11	YEAR 11: THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SCREENING HIV-INFECTED WOMEN FOR ANAL CANCER PRECURORS	9/1/2017- 8/31/2018
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)	UM1- CA121947-11 Amd 4	YEAR 11: THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SCREENING HIV-INFECTED WOMEN FOR ANAL CANCER PRECURORS	9/1/2017- 8/31/2018
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)	R01-CA206476- 03	YEAR 3: (PQ3) IDENTIFYING NOVEL PHARMACOLOGIC RISK FACTORS FOR COMMON NON-AIDS DEFINING CANCERS IN INDIVIDUALS WITH WELL-CONTROLLED HIV INFECTION	6/1/2018- 5/31/2019
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)	R01-CA206476- 03 REV	YEAR 3: (PQ3) IDENTIFYING NOVEL PHARMACOLOGIC RISK FACTORS FOR COMMON NON-AIDS DEFINING CANCERS IN INDIVIDUALS WITH WELL-CONTROLLED HIV INFECTION	6/1/2018- 5/31/2019
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)	R01-CA215403 01A1	ANNUAL ANAL SAMPLING USING DNA SCREENING TO IDENTIFY MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN AT INCREASED RISK FOR ANAL CANCER	9/15/2017- 8/31/2018
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)		CLINICAL SITE AGREEMENT TO CONDUCT AIDS MALIGNANCY CONSORTIUM (AMC) CLINICAL TRIALS	2018
CHIAO, ELIZABETH YU	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)	U24- MH100930-06	TEXAS NEUROAIDS RESEARCH CENTER	3/1/2018- 2/28/2019
DANG, BICH NGOC	NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH (NIMH)	K23-MH100965- 04	YEAR 4: PATIENT SATISFACTION, RETENTION IN HIV CARE, AND ADHERENCE TO ART	7/1/2017- 6/30/2018
DANG, BICH NGOC	BCM		JUNIOR FACULTY SEED AWARD	7/1/2017 – 6/30/2018
DANG, BICH NGOC	MEDVAMC		SEED	10/1/2017- 9/30/2018
DAROUICHE, RABIH	NIH	3 R44 GM095005- 07S2	AIR BARRIER SYSTEM TO REDUCE CONTAMINATION OF WOUNDS DURING SURGERY	01/2010- 08/2019
DAROUICHE, RABIH	NIH	3 R44 GM095005- 07S1	AIR BARRIER SYSTEM TO REDUCE CONTAMINATION OF WOUNDS DURING SURGERY	01/2010- 08/2019
DAROUICHE, RABIH	NIH	5 R44 GM095005-07	AIR BARRIER SYSTEM TO REDUCE CONTAMINATION OF WOUNDS DURING SURGERY	01/2010- 08/2019
EL SAHLY, HANA M.	NIH	5 HHSN 272201300015I TO13 Mod1	TASK ORDERS 17 - UP: VACCINE AND TREATMENT EVALUATION UNITS (VTEU)	09/2013- 09/2023
FLASH, CHARLENE A	NIH: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	K23-MH109358- 03	YEAR 3: DEVELOPING AN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM TO OPTIMIZE PREP UPTAKE AMONG BLACK WOMEN IN PRIMARY CARE SETTINGS	9/1/2017- 8/31/2018



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FLASH, CHARLENE A	NIH: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF	K23-MH109358- 03 REV	DEVELOPING AN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM TO OPTIMIZE PREP UPTAKE AMONG BLACK	9/1/2017- 8/31/2018
FLASH, CHARLENE A	HEALTH GILEAD SCIENCES, INC.		WOMEN IN PRIMARY CARE SETTINGS HOUSTON HIV PREEXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS DEMONSTRATION PROJECT	2018
GIORDANO, THOMAS PETER	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)	R34-AA023739	BRIEF PERSONALIZED FEEDBACK INTERVENTION FOR HAZARDOUS DRINKING IN AN HIV CLINIC	2/1/2018- 1/31/2019
GIORDANO, THOMAS PETER	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)	R44-DE021672- 03	OBTAIN SALIVA SAMPLES FROM A CROSS- SECTION OF PATIENTS/CONTROLS	3/1/2018- 8/31/2018
HAMILL, RICHARD	TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD		RESIDENT PHYSICIAN EXPANSION GRANT PROGRAM: MD ANDERSON CANCER CENTER RESIDENCY AFFILIATION	2017-2018
HAMILL, RICHARD	TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD		RESIDENT PHYSICIAN EXPANSION GRANT PROGRAM: PRIMARY CARE ENHANCEMENT	2017-2018
MINDRU, CESARINA	DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS		VA COOPERATIVE STUDY (CSP2001 TRIAL- INVESTIGATION OF RIFAMPIN TO REDUCE PEDAL AMPUTATIONS FOR OSTEOMYELITIS IN DIABETICS - VA INTREPID	12/1/2017- 11/30/2020
PATEL, SHITAL MAHENDRA	HEALTH RESOURCES & SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)	U10-HA29290	MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR SOUTH CENTRAL AIDS EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTER REGION 6 - SCAETC PROGRAM	7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018
PATEL, SHITAL MAHENDRA	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)	HHSN- 2612015000031	VRC 705: 17X160Q: A PHASE 2B, RANDOMIZED, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED TRIAL TO EVALUATE THE SAFETY, IMMUNOGENICITY AND EFFICACY OF A ZIKA VIRUS DNA VACCINE, VRC-ZKADNA085-00-VP, IN HEALTH ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS	9/25/2017- 9/24/2019
RODRIGUEZ- BARRADAS, MARIA C	NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM (NIAAA)	U01-AA020790- 07	YEAR 7: ALCOHOL AND MULTISUBSTANCE USE IN THE VETERANS AGING COHORT STUDY: 2/6 COMPAAAS U01: OBSERVATION STUDY	9/1/2017- 8/31/2018
RODRIGUEZ- BARRADAS, MARIA C	KOWA PHARMACEUTICALS AMERICA, INC.		RANDOMIZED TRIAL TO PREVENT VASCULAR EVENTS IN HIV - REPRIEVE (A5332)	2018
RODRIGUEZ- BARRADAS, MARIA C	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)		"A5332: RANDOMIZED TRIAL TO PREVENT VASCULAR EVENTS IN HIV - REPRIEVE" SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING RESEARCH SERVICES AGREEMENT	2018
RODRIGUEZ- BARRADAS, MARIA C	CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC)		NOVVA: ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE TO QUANTIFY THE BURDEN OF VIRAL GASTROENTERITIS IN U.S. VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA) PATIENT POPULATION	10/1/2017- 9/30/2018
SERPA- ALVAREZ, JOSE A.	JANSSEN SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS, LLC	FT16465	2017 IDSA ANNUAL MEETING - ID FELLOWSHIP TRAVEL GRANT	9/12/2017- 12/31/2017
WEATHERHEAD, JILL	TEXAS CHILDRENS HOSPITAL		PEDIATRIC PILOT AWARD	07/01/17- 12/30/18