

# June & July 2024 News and Updates

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## Top Story



### Office of Academic Affairs announces new Chair of Department of Orthopaedic Surgery has been appointed

UT Southwestern Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Dean, Andrew Lee, M.D., announced the appointment of **Antonia F. Chen, M.D., M.B.A. (Pictured)** as the new **Chair of Department of Orthopaedic Surgery** at UT Southwestern. Dr. Chen will officially start her role **effective October 1, 2024**.

Dr. Chen's record and commitment to clinical care, research and education will elevate our department. Click the button to learn more about Dr. Chen!

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## Publication Spotlight




### Unraveling sex-specific risks of knee osteoarthritis before menopause: Do sex differences start early in life?

UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery researcher, **Paula Hernandez, Ph.D.**, narrative review on sex-specific risks of knee osteoarthritis before menopause was published in *Osteoarthritis and Cartilage* online. UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery Assistant Professor, **Sophia Ullman, Ph.D. (Scottish Rite)**, was also an author on this paper.

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## Department News



**BEST HOSPITALS**  
U.S. News & World Report  
RANKED IN 11 SPECIALTIES  
2024-2025

**#1 hospital in DFW. Again.**  
Most nationally ranked specialties in Texas.

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### UT Southwestern once again ranked best hospital in DFW

UT Southwestern Medical Center is the No. 1 hospital in Dallas-Fort Worth for the eighth consecutive year and ranks among the nation's top hospitals for care in 11 specialties, which includes **Orthopaedic Surgery**. It is the most of any hospital in Texas, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* annual Best Hospitals list released this week.

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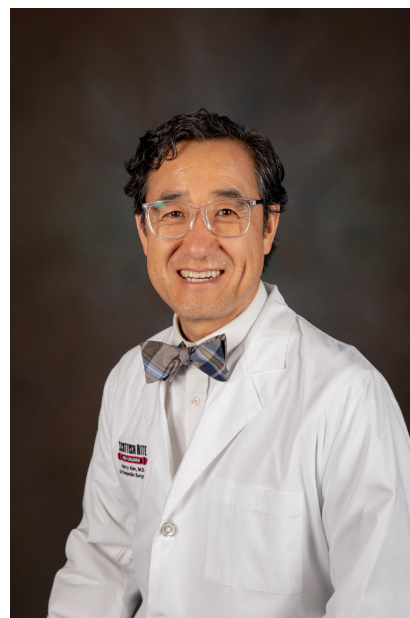
### UT Southwestern Work Anniversaries - June and July 2024

Please congratulate our Department of Orthopaedic Surgery colleagues on their major work milestones for June and July 2024:

#### June 2024



Christine Ho, M.D. (Scottish Rite) - 27



Harry Kim, M.D. (Scottish Rite) - 15 years

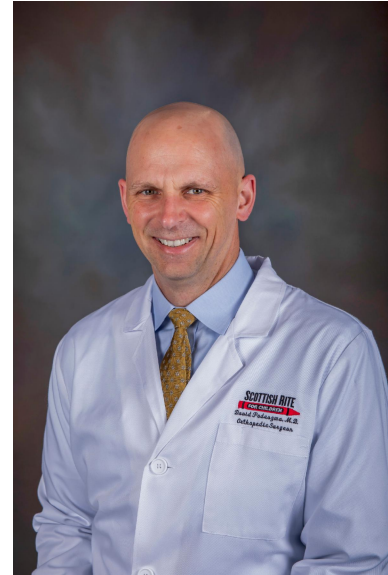
years

[Click here](#) to view full list of June 2024 work anniversaries.

## July 2024



**Adam Starr, M.D. - 27 years**



**David Podeszwa, M.D. (Scottish Rite) - 20 years**

[Click here](#) to view the full list of July 2024 work anniversaries.



## Employee Recognition Week 2024 at UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery

UT Southwestern held its annual **Employee Recognition Week** last month. It is a time to recognize employees and their contribution to the university.

Our department hosted a full week of fun activities for UTSW Orthopaedic Surgery Staff. Thank you to the Recognition Committee for putting together the celebrations.

## Amanda Ben Simon accepts role as new UTSW Assistant Director of Advanced Practice Provider Fellowships & Post-Graduate Program

The Department of Orthopaedic Surgery's Lead APP, **Amanda Ben Simon, MMS, PA-C** accepted the role as UTSW Assistant Director of Advanced Practice Provider Fellowships & Post-Graduate Programs.

In her new position, Amanda will be overseeing the eight APP fellowships and post-graduate

programs that are offered at our campus. She will continue to serve as the Lead APP for our department and work alongside Alison Cabrera, M.D. at the Frisco clinic.

Congratulations Amanda on your new position with the Office of Advanced Practice Providers.



## Department Announcements

### UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery is now on LinkedIn!

Our department has officially joined LinkedIn. We are excited to continue the connections on social media and talk more about our clinical practice, research, and education news to the professional networks on this platform.

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### Share Your UT Southwestern Pride with Talent Acquisition

UT Southwestern Talent Acquisitions team is looking for employees to spotlight on the institution's social media accounts.

If you love working at UT Southwestern and for our department, [click here](#) to fill out the **Talent Acquisition Team Employee Spotlight Survey: Orthopaedic Surgery.**

Share your answers and help the team recruit other great team members to join us!

**New Headshots? Schedule a time to take your headshots at CUH**

UTSW faculty and staff have the opportunity to have a **new professional headshot** taken for free. The sessions take about 10 minutes and require sign ups in advance.

[Click here](#) to sign up for a spot today! These headshot sessions occur at CUH.



## Faculty News

### Event Highlights: UT Southwestern Hansjörg Wyss Orthopaedic Trauma Symposium 2024

Last month, we hosted the third biennial **UT Southwestern Hansjörg Wyss Orthopaedic Trauma Symposium** at the **Statler Hotel** in **Downtown Dallas**.

The two-day event brought in guest faculty speakers from around the world who presented on orthopaedic case studies that fostered discussions in each session. Also, event attendees got the chance to visit the event sponsors and their booths throughout the event.

Thank you to all who attended this year's symposium and hope you had a great time at this informative event. We are looking forward to the next one in 2026!

[Click here](#) for more information on the symposium.



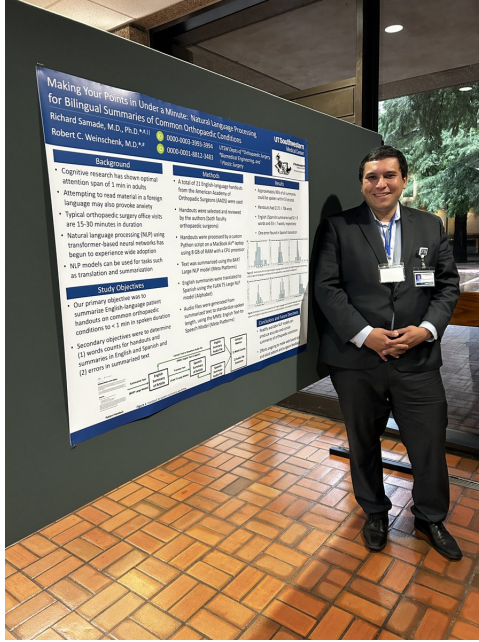
**Drs. Samade and Weinschenk**  
present their poster at the

# Inaugural UT System AI Symposium

In May, Assistant Professors **Richard Samade, M.D., Ph.D.**, and **Robert Weinschenk, M.D.**, presented a poster on "NLP AI and Bilingual Summaries for Orthopaedic Surgery."

The event, a first for the system, bridges the gap between cutting-edge methodology and current applications. The symposium brought together researchers, clinicians, educators, and students to create a collaborative space on this topic.

What a great opportunity for UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery!



## Dr. VanPelt elected as 2024-2025 Texas Podiatric Medical Association President

Associate Professor, **Michael VanPelt, D.P.M.**, was selected as the next **President of the Texas Podiatric Medical Association (TPMA)** last month at the organization's annual conference.

Dr. VanPelt will be in his role for the 2024-2025 year. He will lead the organization to unify and empower podiatric physicians in providing excellence in foot and ankle care across Texas.

Congratulations Dr. VanPelt! [Learn more](#) about TPMA.



## Dr. Callan joins Osteosarcoma Institute Strategic Advisory Board

Assistant Professor and Section Chief of Orthopaedic Oncology, **Alexandra Callan, M.D.**, has become a new member of the Osteosarcoma Institute Strategic Advisory Board.

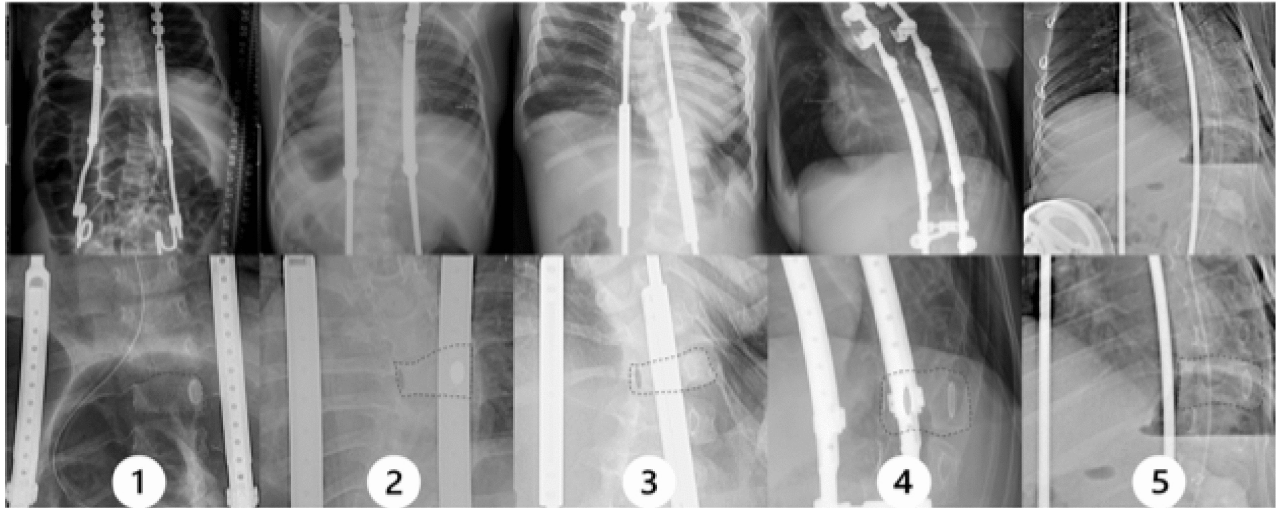
The Osteosarcoma Institute is an organization that has a goal of develop and execute a comprehensive, rational strategy to improve dramatically the life expectancy of relapsed and metastatic patients.

Congratulations Dr. Callan on becoming a member of the Osteosarcoma Institute Strategic Advisory Board. [Learn more](#) about The Osteosarcoma Institute.



## Top Research:

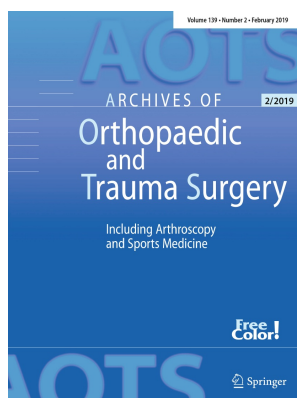
### How do implants overlying the spine influence "The Law of Diminishing Returns" in early-onset scoliosis patients? - Spine Deformity



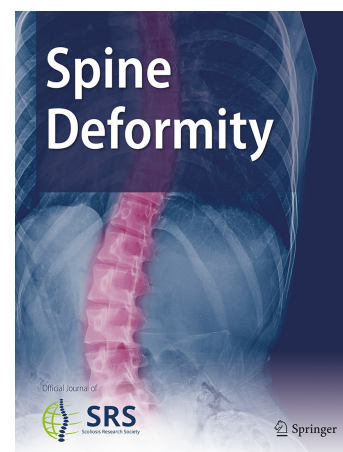
**June was Scoliosis Awareness Month**, which raises awareness and grow public education on this condition. Research plays a big factor in finding solutions to treat Scoliosis. This following study highlights the "law of diminishing returns" (LODR) in early-onset scoliosis (EOS). **UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery and Scottish Rite for Children researchers** hypothesized that previously observed variations between constructs may be related to the lateral distance that each construct lies from the spine.

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## Other Research Publications:



**The impact of prior ACL reconstruction on total knee arthroplasty outcomes: a retrospective matched cohort**



**Aborted AIS spinal fusion due to persistent loss of IONM: which**

## study - Archives of Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery

Discrepant data exists regarding the outcomes following total knee arthroplasty (TKA) with a prior anterior cruciate reconstruction (ACLR). The purpose of our study was to compare surgical and medical outcomes in the patients with prior ACLR undergoing TKAs compared to a matched control group of the patients who had undergone TKAs without prior ACLR ...

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## Measure what matters: Single Assessment Numeric Evaluation (SANE) score as the critical measure for shoulder outcomes

Implementation of a system anchored in patient outcomes is challenged to gain widespread adoption required to demonstrate the value of care provided for shoulder conditions. This is in large part because of the administrative burden created by current tools and clinical implementation barriers that limit practical use and therefore leave most clinicians, administrators, payers, and patients ...

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## patients are at greatest risk? - Spine Deformity

Determine peri-operative risk factors predictive for prematurely stopping surgery prior to completion of deformity correction due to intra-operative neuromonitoring changes. Methods A single institution retrospective review of adolescent idiopathic scoliosis (AIS) patients that underwent spinal fusion for curves greater than 70°. Cases aborted due to persistent loss of IONM were ...

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## Iatrogenic open humeral shaft fractures following functional bracing - Archives of Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery

The treatment of closed humeral shaft fractures tends to be successful with functional bracing. Treatment failure due to iatrogenic conversion to an open fracture has not been described in the literature. We present a case series of patients that experienced open humeral shaft fractures after initially being treated with functional bracing for closed humeral shaft fractures and describe what factors are associated with this complication.

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## Education News

## Event Highlights: Resident Graduation Week 2024



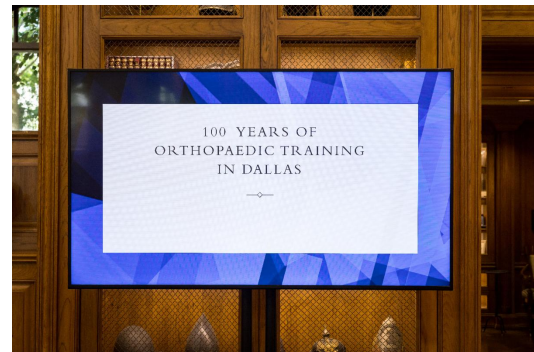
Last month, the department celebrated the graduating Class of 2024 residents. From celebrating the 100 years of the Orthopaedic Training to the Charles F. Gregory Memorial Lectureship, the Resident Graduation Week was filled with celebration honoring our outgoing PGY5 residents before they enter into their fellowship programs.

## 100 Years of Orthopaedic Training in Dallas Cocktail Reception

To kick off the week of festivities, current and graduating residents as well as faculty and department alumni enjoyed a great evening at the **100 Year of Orthopaedic Training Cocktail Reception** at the **Old Parkland Campus** in Dallas on June 13th.

This year marks 100 years of our Orthopaedic Training program at UT Southwestern. The history of our residency program spans as far as 1924 before UT Southwestern was established as the institution we know today. The cocktail reception was an event to honor this great milestone.

Check out the highlight from the evening.



## Charles F. Gregory Memorial Lectureship 2024 featuring Tony Herring M.D. as guest speaker

On June 14, the **Charles F. Gregory Memorial Lectureship 2024** was held at **Scottish Rite for Children**. This lectureship is held every year for our graduating residents to present their last case study and examining current topics of interest to orthopaedic surgeons as well as hear from a seasoned orthopaedic surgeon on their career and experiences.

Scottish Rite for Children Chief of Staff Emeritus, **Tony Herring, M.D.** was the guest speaker for this year's lectureships.



There was a luncheon held to celebrate the

graduating class. The group were given gifts by the Department Alumni association, which including custom cowboy boots.



## Resident Graduation Dinner 2024

Concluding the week of celebration was the **Resident Graduation Dinner**. It was held later that evening at the **Hilton Anatole**. Graduating residents and their families were in attendance as well as faculty and current residents from the program.

During the dinner, the Gregory Awards ceremony were held to honor the class of residents as well as faculty that made an impact on their program experience.



The major awards of the night were given out to the following people (pictured above):

Brandon Carroll Distinguished Physician Award - Timothy "TJ" Harris, M.D.

Vert Mooney Award for Academic Achievement - Nathan Heinemen, M.D.

Truett James Award for Excellence in Teaching - Timothy "TJ" Harris, M.D.

Harold A. Peterson Mattson Award - Philip Wilson, M.D.

Robert W. Bucholz Award - George Liu, D.P.M.

Charles M. Reinert Award - Ed Arrington, M.D.

## 2024 Fellowship Match for our incoming PGY 5 resident class

We are thrilled to announce that our incoming fifth-year residents have successfully matched

to their prestigious fellowships! Their dedication and hard work have been truly inspiring, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievements.

Congratulations to the following residents listed below. As you complete this last year and step into your fellowships, we know you'll continue to shine and make a significant impact in the field of orthopaedic surgery.

# Fellowship Match 2024

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**Junho Ahn, M.D.**  
Hospital for Special Surgery, New York City, NY - Hand/Upper Extremity



**Jack Beale, M.D.**  
University of Mississippi, Jackson, MS - Sports Medicine



**Peter Cannamela, M.D.**  
Swedish Medical Center, Denver, CO - Trauma



**Jack (Riley) Martinez, M.D.**  
Norton Leatherman Spine, Louisville, KY - Spine



**Ivy Nguyen, M.D.**  
Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN - Hand/Upper Extremity



**Garrett Sohn, M.D.**  
Southern California Orthopaedic Institute, Los Angeles, CA - Sports Medicine

## PGY1 Resident Orientation for the New Interns of the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program

Early this month, we welcomed our new interns (pictured) into the UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. The PGY 1 resident group had a full week of orientations, tours of the facilities, and got started with their program.

We are excited to officially welcome them to UT Southwestern Orthopaedic Surgery and can't wait to support them throughout their journey.



## Upcoming Events

### Upcoming Orthopaedic Surgery Conferences

[Western Orthopaedic Association 2024 Annual Meeting](#) - Newport Beach, CA, August 7-10, 2024

[Clinical Orthopaedic Society 2024 Annual Meeting](#) - Tampa, FL, September 4-7, 2024

[American Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society \(AOFAS\) 2024 Annual Meeting](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, September 11-14, 2024

### Upcoming Orthopaedic Surgery Events

#### 2nd Annual Sarcoma Strong 5K Run and Walk Dallas

September 7, 2024 | White Rock Lake, Dallas

Join us for the **2nd Annual Sarcoma Strong 5K Run and Walk** on **September 7th** at **White Rock Lake** in **Dallas, TX**. The run will start at **8am**.

Come out and help raise awareness for Sarcoma and support Sarcoma research. Proceeds from the event will go to the **Sarcoma Strong Foundation**.



[Click here](#) to register today for the event. If you

have questions, please contact [Alex Callan, M.D.](#)  
or [Stephanie Stockton](#).



## International Pediatric Musculoskeletal Ultrasound Symposium (PMSKUS)

October 25 - October 26, 2024 | Scottish Rite for Children in Frisco

This two-day program is designed for professionals interested in using point of care (POC) musculoskeletal ultrasound (MSKUS) in the pediatric population. With the extensive experience of the local and international faculty, the program is designed to meet the needs of the beginner and the advanced clinician. The intended audience includes pediatricians, sports medicine providers, orthopedic providers, rheumatologists, emergency medicine providers, advanced practice providers, urgent care providers, physical therapists, athletic trainers, chiropractors and sonographers.

[Click here](#) to register today!

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