Professor Rosemarie Wright-Pascoe DM, FACP, FACE, FRCP (UK)
Professor of Medicine and Endocrinology
Head of Department

PROFESSORS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

• Professor Michael Lee
• Professor Everard Barton on contract with the University Hospital of the West Indies (UHWI)

DIVISIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL OF THE WEST INDIES (UHWI) MONA

Cardiology – Cardiac Unit and Cardiac Catheterization Suite
Gastroenterology – Minor Operations – Endoscopy Suite
Nephrology – Dialysis Unit
CHARES – Centre for HIV/AIDS Research, Education and Service

The Tony Thwaites – Private in-hospital consultations
Wing

The Mona Institute of Medical Sciences – Private Out-patient Consultations

Dermatology Unit – Dermatology Ward and Dermatology Clinics

Critical Care Unit – Medical Intensive Care Unit on Ward 3

OTHER SUB-SPECIALTY SERVICES OFFERED TO INPATIENTS AT THE HOSPITAL

• Pulmonology
• Neurology
• Endocrinology
• Rheumatology
• Infectious Diseases

IN-HOSPITAL BEDS

These are located on Wards 3, 4, 7, 8, 20 Annex and on other wards as the need arises such as Ward 18 of the University Hospital of the West Indies and number approximately one hundred and twelve beds (n = 112)

FACULTY

University tenured and non-tenured n = 13

University Hospital of the West Indies n = 23

Associate Lecturers at the Kingston Public Hospital, the Spanish Town Hospital, the May Pen Hospital, the Mandeville Regional Hospital,
the St. Ann’s Bay Hospital and the Cornwall Regional Hospital

STAFF AND RESEARCH NURSES AND ASSOCIATES

Staff n = 5, research nurses and associates n = 3, office helpers and others n = 3

POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS AND TRAINEES

Residents in Internal Medicine programme (n = 36)
Postgraduate students in MPhil and PhD programme (n = 2)
Interns (n = 10) every 3 months

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS TAUGHT IN THE BACHELOR OF MEDICINE AND BACHELOR OF SURGERY PROGRAMME (ALL APPROXIMATE NUMBERS)

- Year 1 n = 250 (Lecture delivered)
- Year 2 n = 250 (Didactic lectures and IMP Lectures and clinical experience)
- Year 3 n = 250 (Junior Clerkship) (didactic lectures, tutorials, bedside teachings in hospital and outpatient department)
- Year 4 n = 150 Electives supervised (tutorials, bedside teachings in hospital and outpatient department)
- Year 5 n = 150 (Senior Clerkship) (didactic lectures, tutorials, bedside teachings in hospital and outpatient departments)

MEDICAL CLINICS PER WEEK (n = 1 for all others)

- General Medical Clinics n = 4
- Diabetes Clinic
- Endocrine Clinic
- Pulmonary Clinic
• Cardiology Clinic
• Renal Clinic
• Gastroenterology Clinic
• Hypertension Clinic
• CHARES Clinic \( n = 5 \)
• Rheumatology Clinic
• Neurology Clinic
• Dementia Clinic
• TSP Clinic

**SPONSORED RESEARCH (GRANTS)**

US$52,446

**TOPICS**

**Infectious Disease**

1. Adherence to Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy
2. Antibiotic Resistance
3. HIV Care in the Bahamas

**Rheumatology**

The immunological characteristic of Systemic Lupus patients in Jamaica

**Gastroenterology**

1. H-pylori eradication therapy in Peptic Ulcer Disease
2. Colonoscopy – the Jamaican experience
3. Lower Gastrointestinal Bleed
4. Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease in Jamaica
5. Acute Pancreatitis
6. Gastric Biopsies
7. Colonoscopy and Screening for Cancer
8. Inflammatory Bowel Disease

**Endocrinology**

1. Insulin Sensitivity and Insulin clearance in Malnutrition Survivors
2. Cardiometabolic risk in Malnutrition Survivors
3. Biochemical markers in Diabetes Mellitus
4. Biomedical Markers in Athletes vs. Non-Athletes

**Dermatology**

Acne keloidalis nuchae

**OTHER RESEARCH TAKING PLACE IN THE DEPARTMENT**

1. Chikungunya Virus Infection in Jamaica
2. Pathogenic Factors in Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus
3. n-patient Mortality in Non-ICU In-patients with infections
4. Recurrent Optic Neuritis and Transverse Myelitis

**REGISTRIES FOR RESEARCH PRESENTLY IN THE DEPARTMENT**

1. Renal Registry
2. Gastroenterology Registry
3. Parkinson’s Registry
4. Type 1 diabetes registry

**ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND DISTINGUISHED VISITORS TO THE DEPARTMENT**

- Professor Eric Cruickshank Distinguished Lecture, held on Friday, June 23, 2017 on “Brain: Connections and Dis Connections” presented by Professor Y. Swamy Venkatesh from the University of South Carolina, School of Medicine.
• The Rolf Richards Distinguished Lecture held on Friday, September 9, 2016. This lecture was presented by Sir George Alleyne, Chancellor – the University of the West Indies and Director Emeritus – PAHO. The topic of the lecture was entitled: “The Compleat Physician”.

For Renal And Hypertension Week

• Professor Garcia, Director of ISN for Under Privileged Countries
• Professor Seraj, Director of the USRDS (United States Renal Data System) from the University of Michigan
• Dr. Tedla from Downstate University (ISN sister programme)

For Cardiovascular Week

• Dr. Carpen from the University of Guyana

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapter


Refereed Journal Articles

• Facey A; Dilworth L; Wright-Pascoe R; and Irving, R. Associate of Serum Lactate Dehydrogenase, Creatinine Kinase and Adiposity with Basal Lactate Concentration in Male and Female Jamaican Athletes. The International Journal of Sports Science, Vol. 7, No. 2, 2017, pp. 94-98. doi: 10.5923/j.sports.20170702.11.

• Facey, A; Dilworth L; Wright-Pascoe R; Walker M; and Irving R. The Metabolic Hormones Leptin, Adiponectin and Troponin T in


- **Dawkins YM**, Hanchard B, **Lee MG.** Amyloidosis of the colon. *International Journal of Case Reports and Images* Vol. 8 No. 9, September 2017. ISSN 0976-3198.


- **Hoe KK**, Smith N, **Barton EN**, Soyibo AK. A “Full House”


- **Ali A, Williams, M.** Zika-V outbreak and Guillain-Barré syndrome in Jamaica. *Neurological Complications of Zika-virus infection in Jamaica.* (Boston, MA, April 2017).


### Abstracts in Peer Reviewed Journals

- Taylor J, **Chin S,** Wharfe G. The clinical profile of triple negative breast cancer patients at the University Hospital of the West Indies, Jamaica. *West Indian Med J 2016; 65 (Suppl. 6): 24*


- **Hoe KK, Soyibo AK, Chávez-Iniguez J, Garcia-Garcia G, Barton**


McKenzie A, Mullings JA, Boyne MS. The effect of using a standardized protocol to treat hyperglycaemic crises at the University Hospital of the West Indies. *West Indian Med J* 2016; 65 (Suppl. 6): 40.


PRESENTATIONS

Professor R Wright-Pascoe

International

• International Guest Speaker the 10th Anniversary Caribbean Endocrine Society Symposium “Choosing Therapeutic Agents for Glycaemic Control in Diabetes Mellitus”, Sunday 7th May 2017, Trinidad, Hilton, Port of Spain, Trinidad

• Endocrine Aspects of Obesity Management, 5th Annual Conference Obesity Forum. Sunday, November 19, 2016, Jamaica Pegasus, Kingston, Jamaica

• University Diabetes Outreach Project 23rd Annual International Diabetes Conference on Diabetes and the Skin: Be Aware. “Managing Obesity”, April 20–22, 2017, the Jewel Runaway Bay, Jamaica

Local

• Novartis Continuing Medical Education: The Art of Hypertension. The Endocrinologist Perspective, Sunday June 4, 2017, the Knutsford Court Hotel, Kingston Jamaica.


• Invited Guest Speaker at the 16th Annual Perinatal Conference “Medical Disorders in Pregnancy”, February 25-26, 2017, the Main Medical Lecture Theatre, UWI Mona, Kingston, Jamaica.


• Cardio – Diabetes Symposium – “Evaluation of hypertension control defining the applicability of fixed-dose combination therapy” “Type


Dr K Maloney

- Systemic Lupus Erythematosus in Pregnancy. 16th Annual Perinatal Conference. Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Child and Adolescent Health 2017

Dr M Arthurs

- Irritable Bowel Syndrome. Department of Medicine Annual Summer Review Course. July 2017

Dr Y Dawkins

- A Case for Discussion – Clinicopathological Conference, University Hospital of the West Indies. November 2, 2016
- Recent Updates in the Management of Inflammatory Bowel Disease – Special Joint Medicine/Surgery Clinicopathological Conference, University Hospital of the West Indies, December 7, 2016
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease: An Overview and Update. KPH Second Annual Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day. Theme: Living with Inflammatory Bowel Disease, Kingston Public Hospital, March 17, 2017
- Optimizing Therapy in Inflammatory Bowel Disease – Department of Medicine Annual Summer Review Course, University Hospital of the West Indies
Dr C Collie

- JIS TV presentation on “Inhaled Substance Abuse and Lung Disease” for Jamaica Cancer Society, December 2016.

Dr A Ali

- Adult neurological complications of Zika-Virus: the Jamaican experience. Medicine Grand Rounds, Lahey Hospital, Tufts University, Boston, MA. April 28, 2017.

INCOME GENERATION

Grants

Dr T Thompson

- Grant title – Adherence to Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Therapy (HAART): A Trans-Caribbean Study
  Project period – 12-01-2015 to 11-30-2016
  Funding source – NIAID
  Prime Award # - 5UMIA1AI0694-10
  Grant support - $52,446.00 USD
DONATIONS, FUNDS RAISED AND OTHERS

**Professor R Wright-Pascoe**
- 2017 Over 1.6 Million dollars earned from the Department of Medicine Annual Summer Review.
- 2016 Over $500,000.00 earned from Sponsorship and from subscriptions from the Rolf Richards Distinguished Lecture

**Professor E Barton**
- Raised donations through the Jamaica Medical Foundation in support of the UHWI Renal Foundation. J$1M.
- Received donations of approximately J$1.2M from CHASE to host the annual Nephrology and Hypertension Conference in January 2017
- Grant to CHARLES J$10M
- Obtained J$3M worth of drugs including Dialysis fluid and erythropoietin which was donated to the UHWI, NFH, St. Ann’s Bay Hospital, Nuttall Hospital and St. Joseph Hospital

PUBLIC SERVICE & OUTREACH

**Professor R Wright-Pascoe**
- Certificate of appreciation by the Ministry of Health for outstanding service and contribution to the National Non-communicable Disease Prevention and Control Programme, 4th National NCD Annual Review, September 8–9, 2016
- Awarded the Association of Consultant Physicians of Jamaica award for accomplishment and tremendous contribution to Internal Medicine, particularly in the field of Endocrinology on September 10, 2016 at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel
- Opening Remarks of the Department of Medicine/Cardiology Unit – UHWI/UWI “Cardiomyopathies & Sudden Death”, Friday, February 17, 2017, Main Medical Lecture Theatre UHWI. Kingston, Jamaica
– Chaired and Hosted “The Professor Eric K. Cruickshank Distinguished Lecturer by Professor Swamy Venkatesh on *Brain: Connections and Disconnections*, Friday June 23, 2017, Main Medical lecture Theatre, UWI Mona, Kingston, Jamaica

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**Dr K Maloney**

– Continued public health campaign to increase awareness for SLE with appearances in the media both radio and television

– RJR “Health Line” radio show – Lupus Education – aired March 2017

– CVM TV “Health Watch” – Rheumatic Disease Awareness Month – September 2016

– Initiated, hosted and was the primary speaker at the first Rheumatic Disease Awareness Month local conference – September 2016.

– Member, Lupus Foundation

**Dr T Thompson**

– Women’s Health Network of Jamaica (WHN) – member, annual volunteer 2015–present

– Rotary Club of Kingston East and Port Royal – annual Health Fair, Annual volunteer 2015–present

**Dr C Collie**

– JLP Constituency Chairman and candidate for South East St. Andrew

– Chairman, Board of Directors, Pre-University School, Taylor Hall, UWI, Mona

– Chairman, Board of Directors, Ayrton Distributors Limited, Beechwood Avenue, Kingston 5
– Department Representative to UHWI Drug and Therapeutics Committee
– Department Representative to UHWI Accident & Emergency Advisory Committee
– Examiner for the MBBS Exams for the School of Clinic Medicine and Research in Nassau, Bahamas, May–June 2017

Professor E Barton
– Screening for diabetes, hypertension, HIV and public health education in St. Ann, June 2017
– Outreach to the community of Meadowbrook regarding sexual disease education and screening for HIV
– Outreach to Manchester and surrounding areas; St. Ann and surrounding areas and Kingston and surrounding areas re charitable AV Fistula Mission

August 3, 2016 – BCG Walk (JLP Young Jamaica Outreach)
November 12, 2016 – Jamaica Theological Centre
November 21, 2016 – UHWI Pharmacy Week
November 26, 2016 – Triphina’s Pharmacy
December 1, 2016 – World AIDS Day
December 3, 2017 – Outreach at Nannyville Health Centre

AWARDS

Students: MBBS June 2017
• The highest number of honours in the MBBS Medicine and Therapeutics Final Examination across all the campuses was received by Mona
• Best total written paper scores in the MBBS Medicine and Therapeutics Final Examination across all the campuses was awarded to a Mona Student

Academic Staff

The Principal’s award for the most research funds received from the Faculty of Medical Sciences was awarded to Dr. Tamara Thompson