

GW Heart and Vascular Institute e-Newsletter: June 2023

GW Cardiology Fellows Class of 2023 Graduation

This month we celebrated the graduation of our senior cardiology fellows. As part of this celebration, we thanked **Dr. Allen Solomon**, director of the 3 year general cardiology fellowship, **Dr. Ramesh Mazhari**, director of the interventional cardiology fellowship, and **Dr. Marco Mercader**, director of our electrophysiology fellowship.



Ian Barrows will be going on to 2 additional years of training in electrophysiology. Pedro Covas will do an additional year of advanced structural cardiac imaging. Haneen Ismail is taking an additional year in multimodality cardiac imaging. Rachel Volke will be entering cardiology practice in Connecticut. Ari Faiwiszewski is moving on to an additional year of structural cardiac catheterization interventions. Interventional fellow Mithun Devrhj is joining a cardiology practice in Nevada. Aaron Richardson is joining a private practice as an electrophysiologist in Georgia.

GW Cardiology at the American Society of Echocardiography 2023 Annual Scientific Sessions

The American Society of Echocardiography was held at the National Harbor, Fort Washington, Maryland Washington DC this month. **Dr. Andrew Choi** joined a panel discussion highlighting the integrated role of multimodal imaging in coronary artery disease risk prediction. Cardiology fellow **Pedro Covas** gave an oral presentation on "*An Atypical Presentation of a Calcified Atrial Myxoma Identified by Multimodality Imaging.*" GW medical resident, and upcoming GW cardiology fellow, **Dorys Chavez**

participated with an oral presentation and panel discussion followed by a poster presentation in the Heart Failure and Mechanical Circulatory Support Section on "Cardiogenic Shock due to acute papillary muscle rupture after a blunt chest trauma".



Drs Chavez and Covas at the ASE Meeting

Health Screening for Retired National Football League Players

On Saturday June 3rd the Living Heart Foundation, with support of the GW Heart and Vascular Institute, held a comprehensive health screening for the Washington DC Chapter of Former NFL Players at the Washington DC Marriott Marquis hotel. This event provided 34 former players and 14 of their wives with blood analysis, EKG's, echocardiograms, carotid ultrasound scans, at home sleep apnea testing, audiology testing, neurological consults and orthopedic consults. GW cardiovascular participants included cardiology faculty **Dr. Andrew Bradley**, GW cardiology fellows **Drs. Mohammed Shirazi, Ezra Lee**, and GW cardiovascular technicians - **Lisa Hicks, Jenelle Thomas, Michelle Dorsey, Pam Dawson**; and **Mark Bates**, Director of the GW MFA Noninvasive Vascular Laboratory.



GW Drs. Shirazi (left) and Bradley (right) with Dr. Archie Roberts (center) head of the Living Heart Foundation



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