New Faculty





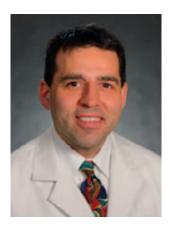
The University of Pennsylvania Department of Orthopaedic Surgery has recently experienced tremendous growth. In a few short years, the number of clinical faculty has doubled and has been matched by an expansion of facilities, educational opportunities, and high quality research output. The numerous editorials in this journal highlight recent events in the Department and describe many of the different facets of this period of growth. This year, we have added five outstanding faculty members in a range of subspecialties, each of whom has expanded the Department's expertise while also furthering our research and educational missions. We are delighted to welcome this outstanding group of clinical faculty and applaud our leadership for its exceptional recruiting ability.



Kristy L. Weber, MD

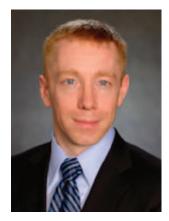
Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Vice Chair of Faculty Affairs, Chief of the Division of Orthopaedic Oncology, Director of the Sarcoma Program at the Abramson Cancer Center

Dr. Weber has long been a leader in orthopaedic oncology and in orthopaedic research. After serving as Chief of the Division of Orthopaedic Oncology at Johns Hopkins for ten years, Dr. Weber moved to the University of Pennsylvania to assume the role of Professor and Vice Chair of Faculty Affairs as well as Chief of the Division of Orthopaedic Oncology and the Director of the Sarcoma Program at the Abramson Cancer Center. Dr. Weber will direct clinical and research programs aimed at developing new treatments for sarcoma. She brings tremendous clinical and scientific acumen to each of these roles. Dr. Weber also has an interest in methods of improving efficiency and productivity in our workforce at Penn Orthopaedics. Early efforts to achieve this goal have been focused on optimizing workforce diversity. As we expand, it is critical that we maintain diverse perspectives so that we, as a group, are always challenged to do better. Dr. Weber is firmly committed to this multifaceted mission. We look forward to the substantial contributions Dr. Weber will make as an outstanding clinician and a leader in our department.



Daniel C. Farber, MD Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Dr. Farber joins Penn Orthopaedics after a decade of practice, with the last seven years spent at the University of Maryland. In addition to a broad set of clinical skills as a foot and ankle surgeon, Dr. Farber also brings particular expertise in resident and fellow education and an interest in research in foot and ankle pathology. Dr. Farber has trained and mentored countless residents and medical students and has served as a mentor for the American Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Society's Resident Scholarship Program. Since joining the faculty in recent months, Dr. Farber has already reached out to the McKay Orthopaedic Research Laboratory and others interested in research collaboration. We are delighted to welcome Dr. Farber and his wealth of experience.



Harvey E. Smith, MD Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Dr. Smith joins Dr. Vincent Arlet in the Division of Spine Surgery. Prior to joining our faculty, he served as an Assistant Professor at Weill Cornell Medical School while also serving as the Co-Director of the Spine Advanced Technology Laboratory at Methodist Hospital Research Institute in Houston, TX. He continued his development as an Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Tufts University and brings years of clinical experience and a background in clinical and basic spine research. He joins our department as the second fellowship-trained spine surgeon on staff. In addition to his clinical and research expertise, Dr. Smith has actively participated in resident education. He and Dr. Arlet host regular journal clubs at their homes where review of the spine literature is accompanied by dinner and discussion. We warmly welcome Dr. Smith to Penn Orthopaedics.



Miltiadis H. Zgonis, MD Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Dr. Zgonis rejoins Penn Orthopaedics after completing a fellowship in Sports Medicine at Duke University. Dr. Zgonis brings energy, a focus on resident education, and substantial research experience to the Department. In his short time as a faculty member, Dr. Zgonis has already established weekly wet arthroscopy sessions in the Human Tissue Laboratory as well as a dry arthroscopy practice lab. His efforts have allowed residents to regularly sharpen their skills prior to getting into the OR. Additionally, he has been an active participant in educational conferences and is an active collaborator with the McKay Orthopaedic Research Laboratory.We are delighted to welcome him back and look forward to his ongoing contributions as a faculty member.



Atul F. Kamath, MD

Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery Director, Center for Hip Preservation

Dr. Kamath, the newest addition to our growing faculty, rejoins Penn Orthopaedics after completing a fellowship in hip and knee reconstruction at the Mayo Clinic, where he received the Mark B. Coventry Adult Reconstructive Surgery Award. He then pursued advanced fellowship training in hip preservation, restoration, and reconstruction in Europe through generous awards from the Maurice Müller Foundation, Charnley Foundation, and the Hip Society. Through these experiences and with a wealth of research and clinical skills, Dr. Kamath brings tremendous new talent to our adult reconstruction, young adult, and sports medicine services. The Department will further benefit from his enthusiasm for clinical and policy research, which Dr. Kamath hopes to use to help train future generations of leaders in orthopaedic surgery. Penn Orthopaedics is extremely pleased to welcome back Dr. Kamath.