



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
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Paul L. Foster School of Medicine
Department of Orthopaedic Surgery & Rehabilitation

Ortho Department Updates Sept - Dec 2021

Wishing everyone a safe and fun holiday season!

New Staff

Please welcome our new clinic employees:

Crystal Villa – Unit Manager

and

Daniel Galvan – PSS

Farewells

Thank you to:

Jacqueline Sanchez

Sarah Ramos

and **Alexa Alaniz**

for their contributions. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors!

Congratulations to:

Dr. Rajiv Rajani for his appointment as Treasurer for the Musculoskeletal Tumor Society (MSTS)!

Dr. Elizabeth Polfer for her appointment as the new WBAMC Program Director and **Dr. Richard Purcell** as Associate Director!

Dr. Joshua Tadlock for his acceptance to a Pediatric Orthopaedic fellowship at Rady Children’s Hospital in San Diego, CA!

Dr. Hunter Graver for his acceptance to an Adult Reconstruction Orthopaedic fellowship at Rush University in Chicago, IL!

Dr. John Scanaliato for his appointment as an editor for the journal of Arthroscopy!

Dr. Anthony Gavalas for his SOMOS Research Award!

And check out the latest edition of the TTUHSC El Paso Alumni & Friends Magazine to see two of our own featured: **Rona Fagan** and **Dr. Shawn Diamond**!

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New Orthopaedic Residents

We welcome our newest residents, beginning July 1, 2022. Hoping to add 1 more in March.

Residency Class of 2027

Josh Hansen
Uniformed Services
University of Health
Sciences

Marc Nicholes
University of
Incarnate Word SOM

Alexis Sandler
George Washington
University SOM

Annette Yoon
Uniformed Services
University of Health
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Society of Military Orthopaedic Surgeons Conference – Dec 14-17

Dr. Gonzalez will be presenting 2 talks at this year's SOMOS conference, along with many of our residents:

- Dr. Eckhoff – 2 talks
- Dr. Tadlock – 2 talks
- Dr. Nicholson – 6 talks, 2 posters
- Dr. Polmear – 5 talks
- Dr. Klahs – 2 talks, 2 posters
- Dr. Fares – 3 talks
- Dr. Scanaliato – 10 talks
- Dr. Tihista – 2 talks
- Dr. Simson – 1 talk
- Dr. Gavalas – 2 talks
- Dr. Jones – 1 talk
- Dr. Jordan – 2 talks
- Dr. Kenney – 1 talk
- Dr. Patrick – 1 talk, 1 poster
- Dr. Folsom – 1 talk
- Dr. Johnson – 1 talk
- Dr. Powlan – 1 talk
- Dr. Renfro – 1 talk
- Dr. Tompkins – 2 talks

Ortho Thanksgiving 2021

Thank you to everyone for
bringing food and
partaking in our
Thanksgiving celebration!



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