

William McMaster Alumni Association

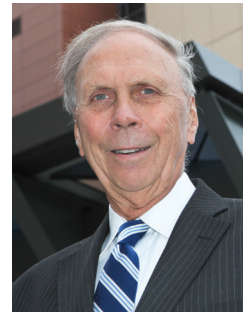


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Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

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The orthopaedic surgery residency program at the University of California, Irvine, has been in existence since 1967. Over 200 residents have completed their training at UCI, many of whom have gone on to very successful careers in orthopaedic surgery. While residents and faculty have come and gone over the last fifty-plus years, a dedication to patient care and resident education have been hallmarks of the orthopaedic residency program. With these elements in mind, we are pleased to announce that the orthopaedic alumni association at UCI has been renamed the William McMaster Alumni Association. Dr. McMaster is a quintessential surgeon educator who has been, and still is, a friend, colleague and teacher to many of us. He has been a vital component of the UCI program for many years and continues to dedicate endless hours to educating UCI orthopaedic residents. Just last year he was awarded the Kevin Armstrong faculty teaching award by the graduating residents for excellence in resident education. We look forward to building a stronger community and network of faculty and resident program alumni and hope that you share our enthusiasm for this, and consider joining the effort.



Nitin N. Bhatia, M.D., F.A.C.S.

Chairman, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery
Chief, Spine Service
Dept. of Orthopaedic Surgery
University of California, Irvine

Message from the Chairman

Dear UC Irvine Orthopaedic Surgery Alumni:

As Acting Chairman of the department, it is my great pleasure to provide a summary of the program. Our department continues to excel in a variety of fields, including teaching, research, and clinical care.

The residency program is strong, with four residents a year, plus a resident who elects to enter into a dedicated research year following their PGY-2 year. Our residents have matched onto a variety of fellowships, with most matching one of their top choices. We are fortunate that numerous alumni have returned to the Southern California area, and many remain involved in educating UCI residents at our different affiliated sites.

Academically, the department is extremely successful. Recent work done in the department includes approximately 100 publications, including a "Best Presentation Award" from the AAOS. Our basic science laboratories pursue research in bone biology, nerve-re-

lated disease, and biomechanics and continue to be prolific.

Clinically, UCI remains the only Level I Trauma Center in Orange County. Clinical volumes have steadily increased over the past five years, and the department was recently noted to be one of the top 50 orthopaedic programs in the country -- academic or private. We are proud to serve our community and provide world-class care in a compassionate and caring manner.

All of these achievements, however, are only possible with the support from our alumni. We welcome all of our past graduates to remain involved with the program, whether through teaching, volunteering, or financial generosity. If you have any questions of ways that you can be involved, please feel free to reach out to myself or to Dr. John Scolaro directly.

Thank you and GO ANTEATERS!

Nitin N. Bhatia, M.D.



Current Residents

PGY 1

Mark Cubberly, MD
Alex Doermann, MD
Bryan Mark, MD
Hayk Stepanyan, MD

PGY 2

Andrew Alvarez, MD
Donald DeSanto, MD
Michael Vrla, MD
David Wright, MD, MS

PGY 3

Alexander Halim, MD
James Jung, MD
Young Lu, MD
Nilay Patel, MD (research)
Sabin Shah, MD

PGY 4

Abhiram Gande, MD
Andrew Morris, MD
Winnie Palispis, MD
John Quinn, MD

Chief Residents



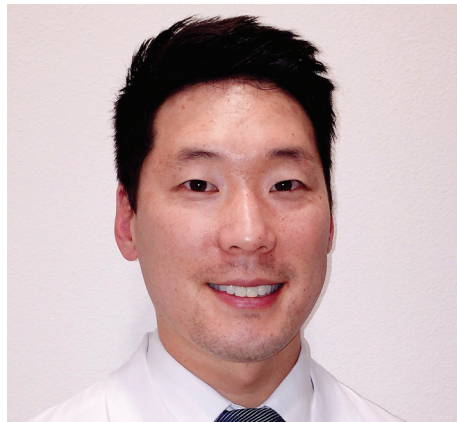
Laura A. Sonoda, MD, MPH

Hometown: Danville, CA
Undergraduate: UC Davis
Medical School: Keck SOM of USC
Specialty/Fellowship: Hand Surgery /
University of California, Davis



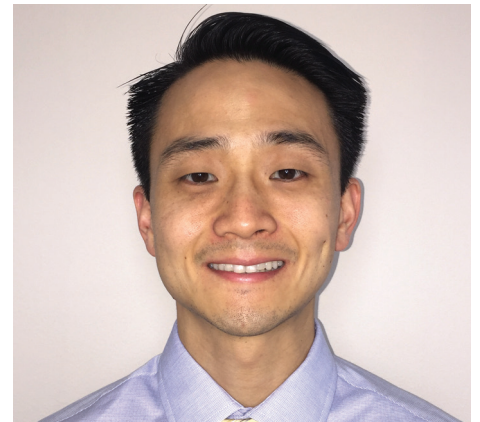
Christopher Bui, MD

Hometown: Simi Valley, CA
Undergraduate: UCLA
Medical School: UCI
Specialty/Fellowship: Trauma /
University of California, San Diego



Peter Hahn, MD

Hometown: Los Altos, CA
Undergraduate: UCLA
Medical School: UC Irvine
Specialty/Fellowship: Pediatrics /
Rady's Children's Hospital
San Diego



Phil Lim, MD

Hometown: Northridge, CA
Undergraduate: UCLA
Medical School: UMDNJ
Specialty/Fellowship: Trauma /
University of Texas, Houston

2018 UCI Orthopaedic Residency Match, class of 2023



UC Irvine Orthopaedic Surgery Faculty

Adult Reconstruction

William McMaster, MD
David So, MD

Foot and Ankle

Andrew Hsu, MD

Hand Surgery

Ranjan Gupta, MD
Neil F. Jones, MD
Gregory Rafijah, MD

Spine Surgery

Nitin Bhatia, MD
Douglas Kiester, MD
Yu-Po Lee, MD
Charles Rosen, MD

Trauma

Stuart Green, MD
James Learned, MD
John Scolaro, MD, MA
Martin Tynan, MD

Research

Thay Lee, PhD
Vincent Caiozzo, PhD



Garwin Chin, MD
University of California, Irvine



Jeffrey Choi, MD
Boston University



Justin Haghverdian, MD
University of California, Irvine



Jonathan Ochoa, MD
University of California, San Francisco

Orthopaedic Residency

John Scolaro, MD, MA, Program Director



I am pleased to report that the residency program matched another very strong incoming class. The residency continues to flourish with a continued emphasis on early clinical operative exposure. A comprehensive educational program with weekly grand rounds as well as routine subspecialty conferences and journal clubs exists. This academic year the department has already hosted multiple visiting surgeons from around the country to complement the educational experience. The cadaveric lab on campus provides an unparalleled opportunity for development of surgical skills and is routinely used for educational activities. Currently, aside from the UCI Medical Center in Orange, the UCI residents rotate at Long Beach Memorial, Millers Children's Hospital, The Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Long Beach and within the Kaiser Permanente system in Orange County.



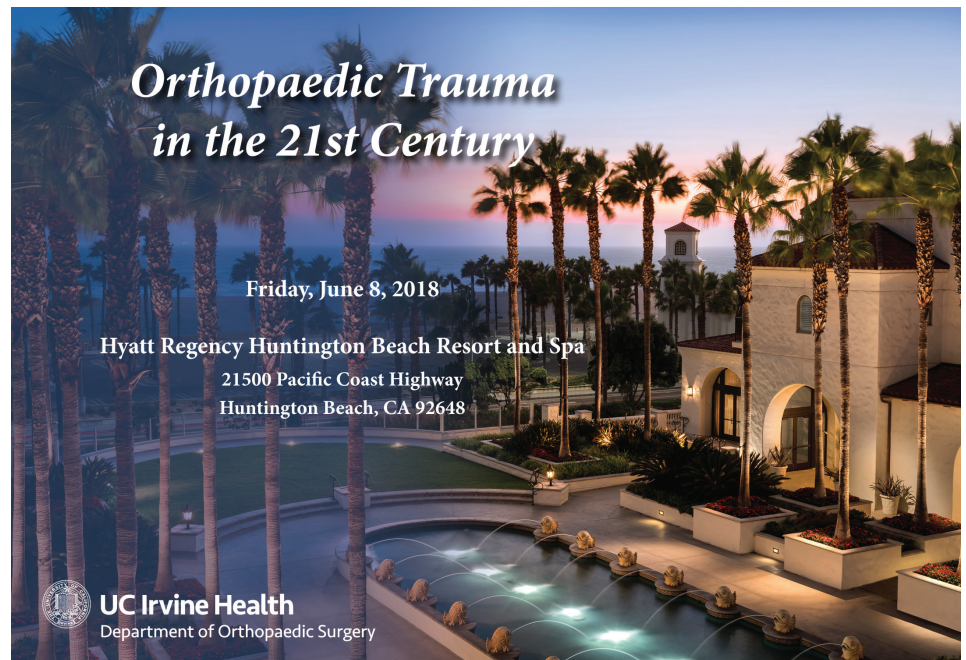
UCI Alumni Association Directory

We are working to compile up to date contact information for all alumni of the program. Many of you have provided contact information already but we would like to hear from everyone. Please email orthoalumni@uci.edu with the following information (**Name, class, email, phone, and address**) so we can include you and provide electronic correspondence. Regarding the department alumni association and upcoming events, please indicate if you would like any personal information withheld from the upcoming directory.

Alumni Association Reception at AAOS 2019

Please plan to join us in **Las Vegas on March 15, 2019** for our **Alumni Association Reception**

Time and Location forthcoming.



Orthopaedic Trauma in the 21st Century

Distinguished Visiting Professor

James Robert Ficke, M.D.

Robert A. Robinson Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Director, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

Orthopaedist-in-Chief, The Johns Hopkins Hospital

Course Co-Chairs

James Learned, M.D. & John Scolaro, MA, M.D.

Course Objectives

Introduce, review and critically evaluate the current evaluation and management of commonly encountered fractures and musculoskeletal injuries.

Registration: FREE

For more information and registration:

Please contact Amy Sanchez, CME Coordinator at 714-456-7752

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