lastname	Firstname	Institution	Research Interest
			Interested in overlap of DM and pancreatic cancer.
Abbruzzese	James	Duke	Early diagnosis of pancreatic cancer in new onset
			I would like to join NC Diabetes Research Center in
			order to meet and collaborate with diabetes experts
Abou Assi	Hiba	Duke	in the area and try to work together on diabetes
			I would like to join the NCDRC to learn more about
			advances in diabetes research form other
			members/scientists, collaboration, networking,
			mentorship , funding/grant opportunities,
			professional developments workshops and training.
			My research interest is focused on understanding
			the molecular mechanisms of effect of
			polyunsaturated fatty acids and PFAS chemicals on
			progression of Non -alcoholic fatty liver disease
			using in vitro cell culture models (HepGUNC Chapel
			Hill and HepaRG cells), especially lipid metabolism
Adjei-Fremah	Sarah	Other	pathway genes. I have interest in understanding the
Aiello	Allison	UNC Chapel Hill	
			My research examines the influence of social and
			health disparities on cognitive aging and dementia
			risk among African American adults. I am interested
			in diabetes and obesity as risks factors for cogntive
			decline and dementia in this population. As such, I
Aiken Morgan	Adrienne	UNC Chapel Hill	would benefit from the various NCDRC
			I have been working for some time on developing a
			therapeutic vaccine for autoimmune diseases,
Ainslie	Kristy	UNC Chapel Hill	including TDukeD. I have just received a score on an
			As an inpatient endocrinology APP, I want to stay up
Alexander	Bonnie	UNC Chapel Hill	to date on current clinical trials and diabetes
			I am an early investigator and would like to join the
	Anastasia-		NCDRC to participate in education/training
Alexopoulos	Stefania	Duke	opportunities, establish research collaborations
Allbritton	Nancy	UNC Chapel Hill	
			My research interests center around insulin
			resistance. As a molecular geneticist I seek to
			understand the genomic architecture by evaluating
			multiomics contributions in human populations.
			Through the NCDRC I look forward to engaging with
			other investigators in the field, and at other
			institutions, through the seminar series to extend
			my research. I am also excited to make use of the
Allred	Nicholette	Wake Forest	Cores, particularly the Metabolomics Core, as I have
Aloi	Joseph	Wake Forest	Section Chief, Endocrinology and Metabolism
			I have submitted an LOI for the NCDRC Pilot
			Program. I'm interested in applying data science and
Alves	Vinicius	UNC Chapel Hill	artificial intelligence to analyze the remission of

Ambrosius	Walter	Wake Forest	Original Member
Ammerman	Alice	UNC Chapel Hill	
Appt	Susan	Wake Forest	To stay informed about clinical/translational
			To develop new interdiscipinary collaborations with
Asmis	Reto	Wake Forest	researchers at other institutions in NC
Astapova	Inna	Duke	
			To foster relationships with investigators involved in
			Diabetes research at member institutions and make
			meaningful use of the resources and capabilities
ASTHANA	AMISH	Wake Forest	that exist at these institutions, which will help
			Hi - I am an epidemiologist with broad interests in
			the genomic and metabolomic correlates of
			cardiometabolic disease, supported by several
Avery	Christy	UNC Chapel Hill	RODukes. I am interested in expanding my
Bachelder	Eric	UNC Chapel Hill	
Bae-Jump	Victoria	UNC Chapel Hill	
Bahnson	Edward	UNC Chapel Hill	
			My research focuses on developing novel
			bioelectronic devices that could enable advanced
			diagnostic and therapeutic capabilities. One of our
			recent efforts is to design and develop a soft,
			wearable non-invasive optoelectronic system for
Bai	Wubin	UNC Chapel Hill	diabetes monitoring at the skin interface. I would
			I am an NIH-NIDDK-funded investigator in
			gestational diabetes, and I also perform
			metabolomic work for diverse collaborators. I have
			served in leadership of Duke's Stedman
			Metabolomics Lab since its founding in UNC Chapel
			Hill00Wake Forest . We collaborate widely in the
			biomedical sciences, but we have always maintained
Bain	James	Duke	a strong focus on diabetes, obesity, and
Bales	Connie	Duke	
			I would value learning from other NC DRC members
Bancks	Michael	Wake Forest	and hope to establish research collaborations with
Batch	Bryan	Duke	Access to resources and potential collaboration with
			Interest in older adults and heterogeneity of aging.
Batsis	John	UNC Chapel Hill	new to the UNC System and understanding different
Beavers	Daniel	Wake Forest	
Beck	Melinda	UNC Chapel Hill	
Becker	Thomas	Duke	
Becker	Denis	Duke	Professional Development Participation
Berg	Jonathan	UNC Chapel Hill	
			My research focuses on health-related social needs
Berkowitz	Seth	UNC Chapel Hill	and diabetes, particularly around food insecurity.

			I am a senior investigator on the proposed
			Community Engagement Core for the NCA&T Center
			for Interdisciplinary Research in Diabetes Health
			Disparities (CAIRDHD). This is an NIH Research
			Center for Minority Institutions Proposal. Although
			the major focus of my research is Biology Education,
			I do some health disparities research with
Bernot	Kelsie	NC A&T State	underserved communities, having coauthored a
			My program of research focuses on obesity,
Berry	Diane	UNC Chapel Hill	diabetes, and cardiovascular disease prevention and
			I think I am already a member. But if not, I do
Bertoni	Alain	Wake Forest	primarily observational work in the diabetes field.
Boggess	Kim	UNC Chapel Hill	
Bohorquez	Diego	Duke	
			I focus on effectiveness/implementation science of
Bosworth	Hayden	Duke	testing and translating findings into health care.
Boucher	Richard	UNC Chapel Hill	
Boulware	L. Ebony	Duke	
			The focus of my research has been the genetics and
			epidemiology of type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes for
			Wake Forest NC A&T State years. this has result in
			over OtherNC A&T State0 peer reviewed
Bowden	Donald	Wake Forest	publications. My current interest is developing
Branca	Rosa Tamara	UNC Chapel Hill	
Branca			My research aligns with the mission of the DRC and
Brinkley	Tina	Wake Forest	includes investigating the causes and consequences
DITINEY		Wake Forest	My research focuses on the effects of lifestyle
			interventions (i.e., diet, exercise, weight loss) on
			adiposity, cardiovascular, metabolic, and brain
			outcomes in older adults. All of these outcomes are
	T		relevant to the pathophysiology of type UNC Chapel
Brinkley	Tina	Wake Forest	Hill diabetes. I already interact with several faculty
			-Interested in meeting and collaborating with other
			researchers working in diabetes, not just at UNC but
			across NC -Access to Core facilities -Learning more
Brouwer	Kim	UNC Chapel Hill	about education and training opportunities for our
			I am interested in joining the NC Diabetes Research
			Center to participate in multi-disciplinary
			collaboration in obesity research, learn from senior
			researchers in the field, and participate in center
Brown	Callie	Wake Forest	activities. I also may take advantage of the core
Burant	Charles "Chuck"	Other	
			I have a history of informal relations with UNC's
	1	1	endocrinology, frequently utilize the cores, and am
burger	Kyle	UNC Chapel Hill	running relevant studies (e.g., genetically informed
burger Buse	Kyle John	UNC Chapel Hill UNC Chapel Hill	

Campbell	Jon	Duke	
			As a basic scientist, my long-term aspirations are to
			understand how adipose tissue expands in obesity
			and decipher how pathological adipose remodeling
			can lead to type two diabetes and other metabolic
Cannavino	Jessica	Duke	dysfunctions. Joining the NCDRC community would
Carey	Tim	UNC Chapel Hill	
			I am a first year endocrinology fellow at Duke on our
			research track. I am primarily interested in joining
Carlson	Scott	Duke	the NC Diabetes Research Center to learn more
Chan	Jeannie	Wake Forest	To be involved in diabetes research.
			I am one of the co-investigators on a previous Pilot
Chang	Emily	UNC Chapel Hill	Award and am interested in diabetic kidney disease
Chatterjee	Ranee	Duke	Research interests in diabetes prevention
Chen	Xian	UNC Chapel Hill	
Chilkoti	Ashutosh	Duke	
			I recently joined the faculty at Wake Forest in
			Pediatrics-Neonatology after completing my
			Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Fellowship in July UNC
			Chapel HillOUNC Chapel HillO. I am interested in
			studying the Developmental Origins of Health and
			Disease and will be utilizing a non-human primate
			model under the mentorship of Kylie Kavanagh,
			DVM. We would like to develop a non-human
			primate (vervet monkey) model of gestational
Cilvik	Sarah	Wake Forest	diabetes and/or fetal growth restriction in order to
			I have an NIH-funded population of rhesus monkeys
			previously exposed to radiation. These animals
			develop type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes at a higher
Cline	Mark	Wake Forest	rate than non-irradiated monkeys. I have an ongoing
			Our Center is expanding its research in diabetes and
			has partnered with clinical champions in diabetes
			care to develop a personalized diabetes health
			planning program with the goal for implementation
			in clinical practice. We have applied to the NCDRC
			pilot grant to evaluate the program. Our research
			will address a critical need in the care of patients
Clipper	Christie	Duke	with unmanaged TUNC Chapel HillD and could lead
			We are cell biologists studying lipid droplets, key
			organelles for regulating fat storage and
Cohen	Sarah	UNC Chapel Hill	metabolism. We are interested in opportunities to

			As an early-stage investigator at NC A&T, my
			research aligns with the NCDRC in performing racial
			health disparity research concerning racial
			differences in endothelial cell function that may
			contribute to a predisposition toward diabetic
Cook	Marc	NC A&T State	vascular complications in African Americans. Access
Corbie-Smith	Giselle	UNC Chapel Hill	vascular complications in Amedia Americans. Access
Cox	Laura	Wake Forest	
COX		Wakerorest	My area of research is the role of TUNC Chapel Hill
Craft	Suzanne	Wake Forest	diabetes and insulin resistance in brain aging.
Clait	Suzanne	Wakerorest	I am already a member of the NCDRC. I believe this
			interdisciplinary effort is critical to leveraging the
Crowley	Matt	Duke	resources of the involved sites and fostering
Crudo	David	Wake Forest	
	Davia	Wakerorest	I am a health services researcher with experience in
			diabetes clinical and epidemiologic research and
Cummings	Doyle	Other	have a long history of collaborating with UNC-CH
Cunningham	Sarah	Other	
D'Agostino	Ralph	Wake Forest	
D'Alessio	Dave	Duke	
DAIESSIO	Dave	Duke	My research is focused on insulin resistance, obesity
			and TypeUNC Chapel Hill diabetes and fits well with
Dec	<u>Currence</u>	Wake Forest	the focus areas of NCDRC initiatives. I collaborate
Das	Swapan	Wake Forest	I would like to benefit from the educational
			opportunities provided by the center, establish
Deal	Aaron	Make Ferest	connections with senior persons whose research
Deal	Aaron	Wake Forest	aligns with my current research interests, and learn My research on extracellular vesicles is applicable
			across multiple disciplines. I am currently
			collaborating with several NCDRC members and
			focus on diabetes research. Resources of NCDRC
Deep	Gagan	Wake Forest	could be valuable for my current and planned
			I am a health disparities research with a focus on
			person-centered care in chronic diseases. I have
Diamantidis	Clarissa	Duke	worked closely with many collaborators in the area
Diaz Garelli	Franck	Wake Forest	Research interests line up. I am currently a CTSA
			Collaborate with other investigators on omics
Ding	Jingzhong	Wake Forest	mechanism of diabetes and its complications.
Divers	Jasmin	Wake Forest	
			Stay up to date on latest research and clinical
Donahue	Katrina	UNC Chapel Hill	practices. Networking an research collaborations.
			My research has a focus on metabolic enzyme -
			Branched Chain Aminotransferase, which is
Dong	Ming	NC A&T State	connected with the Alzheimer's Disease. I am
			To integrate into the local endocrinology programs
			and present and get feedback on our research on
Dunn	Jessilyn	Duke	digital health methods applied to prediabetes and

Easterbrook	John	UNC Chapel Hill	
Elston Lafata	Jennifer	UNC Chapel Hill	
			I would like to contribute and learn about the
Emrani	Jahangir	NC A&T State	prevalence and influence of diabetes among
Espeland	Mark	Wake Forest	
			I'd like to join for the opportunity to network with
			leading researchers to address diabetes health
Exford	ГJ	NC A&T State	disparities in North Carolina. I am interested in
Feinglos	Mark	Duke	
Fisher	Edwin	UNC Chapel Hill	
Flower	Kori	UNC Chapel Hill	
			I am a nurse scientists and am interested in learning
Ford	Yvonne	NC A&T State	more about the link between Type UNC Chapel Hill
			I am a nephrologist and genetic epidemiologist. My
Franceschini	Nora	UNC Chapel Hill	work include studies of diabetes clinical outcomes
Freedman	Barry	Wake Forest	
Freemark	, Michael	Duke	
Fry	Rebecca	UNC Chapel Hill	
,			I have completed an NIH RUNC Chapel HillDuke on
			Mindfulness for Prediabetic African Americans (I was
			lead PI), and am currently on a grant as an M-PI
			involving an intervention for mindfulness, diet, and
			exercise with African American Women. I am also
Gaylord	Susan	UNC Chapel Hill	the director of a TWake Forest UNC Chapel Hill
,			Research in the Aging and Wellbeing Lab is focused
			on improving the quality of life and functional
			wellbeing in older adults and vulnerable
			populations. We examine the impact of various risk
			and protective factors such as obesity, multi-
Germain	Cassandra	NC A&T State	morbidity, sleep insufficiency, and physical activity
			My research has focused on obesity prevention in
			pregnancy and childhood with a focus on Latina and
			African American families; via community-based
Gesell	Sabina	Wake Forest	healthy lifestyle interventions and
Goley	April	UNC Chapel Hill	Want to stay up to date on current trends in
			I conduct research on disordered eating and obesity;
			I am interested in gaining more expertise on the
			related co-morbidity of type UNC Chapel Hill
Goode	Rachel	UNC Chapel Hill	diabetes. Being a part of the NCDRC will connect me
		· ·	My group studies CD8+ T cell function in humans.
			We have made what we believe are seminal
			observations relating CD8 T cell avidity (sensitivity of
			detection of target cells) and metabolism. We have
			now completed a metabolomics screen with the
			Duke Metabolomics Core (Chris Newgard, James
			Bain) that further support our observations. In
Goonetilleke	Nilu	UNC Chapel Hill	parallel, we have been collaborating with Roland
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			Very interested in translational science and
			collaborations in obesity across all the institutions in
			the NCDRC. I bring expertise in precision obesity
			research and represent the Gillings School of Global
			Public Health as the Associate Dean for Research.
			Bio: Dr. Gordon-Larsen's research program is
			supported by the NIH. Her research focuses on
			issues related to ethnicity, disparities and
			development of obesity over the lifecycle, with
			attention to pathways linking environment and
			behavior to cardiometabolic risk. Her portfolio
			ranges from molecular and genetic to environmental
			and societal-level factors that influence health. She
Gordon-Larse	-	UNC Chapel Hill	is most interested in studying obesity as a complex,
Green	Jennifer	Duke	
			I'm interested in following the collective research
Greene	Katelyn	Wake Forest	progress, attending seminars, and building
Greven	Craig	Wake Forest	
Grimsrud	Paul	Duke	I am already a member of the NCDRC.
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Balikcioglu	Pinar	Duke	
			As an ophthalmologist, I am interested in the
			prevention of diabetic retinopathy. Catching this
Hadziahmetov	vi		blinding disease early in its course is crucial to
с	Majda	Duke	improve visual outcomes. I believe that tight
Hairston	Kristen	Wake Forest	
			I have worked and studied on diabetes for DukeNC
Hani	Homayoun	Duke	A&T State years. I believe NCDRC will dedicate me
			Research interests include: TUNC Chapel HillD,
Harrison	Alex	Wake Forest	hypoxia, pharmacotherapy Would like to join to
			My lab studies nutrient sensing mechanisms and
Herman	Mark	Duke	their effects on cardiometabolic disease with a focus
Hernandez	Adrian	Duke	
			I've spent most of my career focusing on the
			genetics of diabetes related traits. I am very
Highland	Heather	UNC Chapel Hill	interested in the genetics of HbADukec and how the
Hirschey	Matthew	Duke	Current member
Hohmeier	Hans	Duke	
Hooper	Stephen	UNC Chapel Hill	
			Health literacy (plain communication) education to
			prevent diabetes and diabetes management is
			important to me. working together with those of
Hoover	Evelyn	NC A&T State	like mind or supporting the clinical research to
Houston	Denise	Wake Forest	
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			I would like to join the NC Diabetes Research Center
			to be involved with other NC researchers engaged in
			diabetes research. My work focuses on the effects
Hugenschmidt	Christina	Wake Forest	of type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes on the brain in
_		UNC Chapel Hill	
Hursting Hwang	Stephen Janice	UNC Chapel Hill	Joining faculty at UNC-CH endocrinology
пwang	Janice		I am a research professor in the food science
			program at A&T. Our research interests are based
			on the health benefits of fermented dairy foods, we would like to expand our experience and knowledge
			on the impact of fermented dairy products,
Us as la tax	Calana		especially yogurt on diabetes. Early work showed
Ibrahim	Salam	NC A&T State	that milk and dairy foods contain insulin like
			My research interests include the role dairy,
			fermented food products, and probiotics can impact
11	Calass		health, including diabetes and obesity. I think being
Ibrahim	Salam	NC A&T State	a member of the NC Diabetes Research Center is
	Falses!		To have access to opportunities for collaboration,
Ideraabdullah	Folami	UNC Chapel Hill	funding, and to remain at the forefront of diabetes
	Olaa	Dulua	I am a technical director of Metabolomics Core
Ilkayeva	Olga	Duke	which provides services to the NCDRC members.
			My research program focuses on understanding the
			unique mechanisms of airway and lung pathology in
			metabolic syndrome, obesity and asthma. We are
			interested in how glucose tolerance, insulin signaling
			and glucagon-like peptide signaling influences
			airway inflammation and remodeling in asthma. We
1	1 : f	Dulua	know that bariatric surgery improves asthma
Ingram	Jennifer	Duke	outcomes, yet the mechanism whereby this effect
			As a research project manager working in the field
lan estim	Ashlavi		of nutrition and diabetes I will benefit from the
Irwin	Ashley	UNC Chapel Hill	workshops and information provided by the NCDRC.
			My research interest is on disease- and drug-
			mediated alterations in hepatic and placental
			transport proteins and its impact on drug disposition
			and toxicity. Especially, I am interested if and how
			type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes in pregnant people is
la anna lin a	T 11		influencing placental transport proteins and what it
Jacqueline	Tiley	UNC Chapel Hill	means for drug dosing during pregnancy. Being able
Jain	Nina	UNC Chapel Hill	
Jain Jarskog	Shalini	Wake Forest	To do collaboration in research and it expand the
Jarskog	Lars	UNC Chapel Hill	Lam interacted in applying my vicelagy records
			I am interested in applying my virology research
lofford Francis	Lioch		experience to the study of diabetes with the long-
Jeffers-Francis	Liesl	NC A&T State	term goal of alleviating this disease burden. I am
ioncon	Motto	Duko	It is a fantastic program that I, as research scientist
jensen	Mette	Duke	with interest in b-cell biology, diabetes and

			I was recently hired at UNC with an ongoing tDuked
Jewell	Vanessa	UNC Chapel Hill	research trajectory. I want to get connected and
sewen	Vanessa		The primary focus of my research is imaging of
			diabetic kidney disease. The NCDRC pilot and
Johnson	Kennita	UNC Chapel Hill	feasibility grant made it possible for our team to
Jonsson Funk	Michele	UNC Chapel Hill	I am Associate Director of the Advanced Clinical
Justice	Jamie	Wake Forest	
5451100	Junic	Waker ofest	I would like to stay up to date on opportunities to
			participate in NCDRC seminars/workshops and to
Kahkoska	Anna	UNC Chapel Hill	collaborate across institutions on new research
Kahn	Steven	Other	
			I would like to participate in NCDRC research
Kakoki	Masao	UNC Chapel Hill	programs and collaborate with NCDRC cores.
Kang	Hye Won	NC A&T State	To find collaborators in diabetes and obesity
Kung	iiye won		Diabetes is a global health epidemic thats needs
			interdisciplinary collaboration for early detection
			and to decipher novel therapies to treat the disease
			in early stages prior to progression to late stages. I
			believe NC Diabetes Research Center affords the
			capacity for such collaboration endeavor. My
KARERE	GENESIO	Wake Forest	previous research interest were focused on obesity
Kavanagh	Kylie	Wake Forest	I have joined! I primarily research diabetes and
			One of the missions of the North Carolina Diabetes
			Research Center is to create collaboration for
			innovation. I consider myself an innovator and
Кеу	Chia-Chi	Wake Forest	proactively seek more collaboration opportunities. I
,			My research focus is behavioral interventions to
Keyserling	Thomas	UNC Chapel Hill	, reduce chronic disease risk and risk for and
			I am currently publishing and investigating diabetes
			in rural African American population in NC. My lab
Kimbro	Kevin	Other	(myself and students) could benefit from this
Kirkman	Sue	UNC Chapel Hill	
			As a budding diabetes clinical trialist, the NC
Klein	Klara	UNC Chapel Hill	Diabetes Research Center provides significant
			I would like to join the NC Diabetes Research Center
			as my current research focuses on the metabolism
			of fatty acids and eicosanoids, specifically, what
			roles the enzymes in glycerolipid synthesis pathways
Klett	Eric	UNC Chapel Hill	and their lipid products play in pancreatic beta-cell
Koch	Kenneth	Wake Forest	
			I appreciate the concerted efforts of the different
Koves	Tim	Duke	colleges and universities in NC coming together to
Krupenko	Sergey	UNC Chapel Hill	
Laughon	Matthew	UNC Chapel Hill	
Lee	Craig	UNC Chapel Hill	

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			I would like to join the NCDRC because of my
			research interest in addressing diabetes health
			disparities among African Americans. Joining the
Lee	Anna	NC A&T State	NCDRC will provide me with access to opportunities
Lee	Howard	Other	
Leeman	Jennifer	UNC Chapel Hill	I have been involved in diabetes related research for
			I am a health services researcher with a focus on
			eHealth interventions and diabetes self-
			management for adults with type UNC Chapel Hill
			diabetes. My work sits at the intersection of
			precision medicine and population health. My
			interest in health services and nursing research,
			specifically in developing and implementing
			sustainable interventions to improve health
			outcomes, is an extension of my experiences in
			public health and nursing. I aim to develop
			meaningful interventions that are relevant,
			appropriate, and can be implemented in real-world
			clinical settings with interdisciplinary collaborators.
			My use of mixed methods enables me to understand
			how individuals engage with healthcare teams, how
			best to support behavior change in diverse
			populations and with varying disease states, and
			how to foster stronger engagement with the
			healthcare system. Additionally, I am interested in
			examining intervention implementation and
			adaptation as a means to understand how, why,
			when, and for what populations and settings
Lewinski	Allison	Duke	interventions work. My career development award
Lewis	Kristina	Wake Forest	
Lewis	Kristina	Wake Forest	

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			I am an Assistant Professor at the Nutrition Research
			Institute (NRI) in the Department of Nutrition at
			UNC Chapel Hill and a co-investigator in the NIEHS
			funded Human Health Exposure Analysis Resource
			(HHEAR) Program. I lead the untargeted
			metabolomics workflows for the Metabolomics and
			Exposome Laboratory (MEL) that is directed by Dr.
			Susan Sumner. This platform is ideal for studies
			focusing on biomarker discovery, treatment
			response, and causal biology/mechanistic insight of
			diseases and treatments. Prior to joining NRI, I
			gained extensive trainings and experiences in
			Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and Natural
			Product research. I am extremely interested in
			studying how nutrition, especially dietary
			supplements from plants, augments the efficacy of
			frontline medications in the prevention and
			management of metabolic syndromes, including
			obesity, diabetes, and cardiovascular diseases. I am
			eager to join NCDRC because I would love to: Duke)
LI	Yuanyuan	UNC Chapel Hill	Learn and collaborate with experts in diabetes
Liddle	Rodger	Duke	Learn and conaborate with experts in diabetes
	Ildiko	Other	
Lingvay Liu		Duke	
Locasale	Yongmei Jason	Duke	
Lockett	Matthew		
LUCKELL	wattiew	UNC Chapel Hill	As a cardiovascular anidomialogist diabatos is ana
			As a cardiovascular epidemiologist, diabetes is one
Loehr	Louro		of the key risk factors for cardiovascular
	Laura	UNC Chapel Hill	complications. I would like the opportunity to apply
Longobardi	Lara	UNC Chapel Hill	
Lorenzo	Damaris	UNC Chapel Hill	
Lu	Kun	UNC Chapel Hill	
			I would like to expand my knowledge base in the
	Ch		field of diabetes and develop additional
Macauley	Shannon	Wake Forest	collaborations. Moreover, I would like to expand my
Machineni	Sriram	UNC Chapel Hill	
Maclver	Nancie	UNC Chapel Hill	I have both clinical and research interests that align
			I wish to expand my area of research - modeling
Maeda	Nobuyo	UNC Chapel Hill	diabetic complications in animal models - to broader
Magness	Scott	UNC Chapel Hill	
Maldonado-			My research program is focused on examining
Devincci	Antoniette	NC A&T State	developmental neuroendocrinological differences
			I'm a UNC PSTP trainee fast-tracking into
Matson	Brooke	UNC Chapel Hill	Endocrinology fellowship with an interest in
Mayer-Davis	Elizabeth	UNC Chapel Hill	To increase interdisciplinary collaborations
McCall	Charles	Wake Forest	
McClain	Donald	Wake Forest	networking

			I am interested in joining the NC Diabetes Research
			Center because of the numerous experts and
			resources within this center. I am a relative
McCullough	Matthew	NC A&T State	newcomer to diabetes research and I believe I have
McDonald	Bailey	Wake Forest	
Mentz	Rob	Duke	
			I work in the area of type Duke diabetes and
			regulation of eating and eating disorders (in the
			general population and among individuals with type
			Duke and type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes). I also work
			on psychosocial issues impacting diabetes
			management, including diabetes distress and fear of
			blood glucose fluctuations. I conduct both basic
			behavioral work and applied applications. This
Merwin	Rhonda	Duke	includes the use of ecological momentary
			I study weight loss interventions for underserved
Mitchell	Nia	Duke	populations. Becoming a member of NCDRC is a
			I am interested in increased opportunities for
			collaborations within and between the NC Diabetes
			Research Center institutions. I look forward to
			learning more about the local diabetes research
Mohlke	Karen	UNC Chapel Hill	community through newsletters and
			I am an epidemiologist with a research focus on the
			etiology and prevention of obesity and
			cardiometabolic disease. Specific topics include
			metabolically healthy obesity and using continuous
			glucose monitors to investigate glucose homeostasis
Mongraw-			across the life-course. My research is highly related
Chaffin	Morgana	Wake Forest	to the mission of the NCDRC and I am interested in
			I conduct research in the prevention and treatment
			of obesity in children, adolescents, and young
Moore	Justin	Wake Forest	adults. Cardiometabolic diseases are increasingly
Mottl	Amy	UNC Chapel Hill	
Muoio	Deb	Duke	Original Member
			I am a Wake Forest rd year PhD student at UNC-
			Chapel Hill studying Pharmaceutical Sciences and my
			dissertation will focus on optimizing medication
			dosing for nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD)
			patients that suffer from comorbid conditions (e.g.,
			diabetes, hyperlipidemia, hypertension) and take
			daily medications to treat these comorbidities. I am
			interested in joining the NC Diabetes Research
			Center to gain a better understanding of NAFLD
			through the webinars offered by the NCDRC. I also
			plan to potentially contact members of the
Murphy	William	UNC Chapel Hill	genomics and proteomics core to discuss proteomic

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			Research in my lab aims to develop patient-specific
			microphysiology models to help uncover the
			mechanisms of kidney diseases and extra-renal
			complications such as diabetic nephropathy. Joining
			the NC Diabetes Research Center would
			tremendously help provide resources and
Musah	Samira	Duke	collaboration opportunities to advance these
Narayan	Roger	UNC Chapel Hill	learn more about collaboration and research
			My lab studies lipid metabolism, specifically
			lipoprotein lipase (LPL). Diabetic individuals have a
			UNC Chapel Hill to Other-fold increased risk of
			coronary artery disease. A major factor in this
			increased risk is a shift towards an atherogenic lipid
			profile known as diabetic dyslipidemia, a condition
			characterized by elevated triglycerides. Elevated
			triglycerides can stem from insufficient levels of LPL.
Neher	Saskia	UNC Chapel Hill	Insulin potently stimulates LPL secretion from
Newgard	Christopher	Duke	Metabolomics Core Director
Newman	Robert	NC A&T State	Enrichment Core Co-Director
Nichols	Timothy	UNC Chapel Hill	
Nicholson	Wanda	UNC Chapel Hill	
Nicklas	Barb	Wake Forest	To meet potential collaborators and to stay abreast
North	Kari	UNC Chapel Hill	Wonderful career development opportunity.
			I would like to join the NC diabetes research center
			to build collaborations with researchers in the
			different institutions and further develop my
Obeng-Gyasi	Emmanuel	NC A&T State	research agenda in this area. I would also like to
O'Brien	Emily	Duke	
Olivier	Michael	Wake Forest	Genomics and Proteomics Core Director
			The NC Diabetes Research Center is a tremendous
			resource for early-stage investigators like me who
			are interested in studying how to improve the
			diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment of diabetes-
			related illnesses. I have a particular interest in
			studying the use of intranasal insulin to treat
Ong	Sally	Wake Forest	diabetic eye disease, specifically diabetic
Ongeri	Elimelda	NC A&T State	For regional networking/collaborations and access
Opara	Emmanuel	Wake Forest	
			A major interest of mine both on the clinical and
			research grounds, is diabetes. I am a pancreas
Orlando	Giuseppe	Wake Forest	transplant surgeon and conduct research in the field
			Research interests include diabetes. I am PI for a
O'Shea	Michael	UNC Chapel Hill	longitudinal study of a group of children at increased
Pardo Manuel			
de Villena	Fernando	UNC Chapel Hill	
Parise	Leslie	UNC Chapel Hill	
Parks	John	Wake Forest	Section Chief, Molecular Medicine

Piven	Joseph	UNC Chapel Hill	
			We are interested in redox mechanisms, and
			especially those involved in inflammatory responses,
			and these all intersect with diabetes and patient
			comorbidities. I co-direct the Center for Redox
Poole	Leslie	Wake Forest	Biology and Medicine, and we have funded a pilot
Popkin	Barry	UNC Chapel Hill	
Powers	Al	Other	
			Currently, I am the Community Engagement
Pratt	Trina	NC A&T State	Coordinator under Dr. Ongeri at NCA&T. I would
			I am interested in collaborative opportunity in the
Purdom	Troy	NC A&T State	areas of metabolism, nutrition, neuroendocrine
			I am very interested in becoming a member of the
			NC Diabetes Research Center and feel membership
			would allow me to make valuable connections with
			other diabetes focused researchers in NC. I have a
			long-standing interest in the genetics and
			epidemiology of type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes,
			completing my graduate work at Wake Forest
			University using data from the Diabetes Heart Study.
			My work identified genetic and epidemiological risk
			factors for cardiovascular disease and cognitive
			decline in adults with type UNC Chapel Hill diabetes.
			As a postdoctoral fellow and new faculty member at
			UNC Chapel Hill, I have continued to pursue my
			interest in diabetes research as a funded co-
			investigator working with the National Heart, Lung,
Raffield	Laura	UNC Chapel Hill	and Blood Institute Trans-Omics for Precision
			When I launched my independent research program
			DukeOther years ago, we focused on basic research
			using zebrafish and mouse models to understand
			molecular mechanisms underlying host-microbiota
			symbiosis in the intestine. Over time, our research
			and collaborators have led us to incorporate new
			animal models of obesity, insulin resistance, and
			metabolic dysfunction. Most recently, I have had the
			privilege of leading a collaborative group of
			investigators at Duke, UNC-CH, and Northwestern to
Rawls	John	Duke	explore the microbial and metabolic factors
Reeves-Daniel	Amber	Wake Forest	
Reynolds	Lindsay	Wake Forest	
			I am a graduate student just beginning my career in
			a lab (Dr. Solberg Woods) that studies the genetics
			of obesity and diabetes. I would like to be informed
Roberts	Mackenzie	Wake Forest	of the educational opportunities and seminars that
Roy-			
Chaudhury	Prabir	UNC Chapel Hill	

Rubin	Janet	UNC Chapel Hill	education for my practice
Samuel	Raymond	NC A&T State	
			Most of my research has focused on diabetes self-
			management training for Black adults with type UNC
Samuel-Hodge	Carmen	UNC Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill diabetes and behavioral weight loss
			One of my research focuses is to use bioactive food
Sang	Shengmin	NC A&T State	compounds/functional foods to prevent/treat
Satterwhite	Lisa	Duke	
Schisler	Jonathan	UNC Chapel Hill	Diabetes is tightly tied to several of our preclinical
Schoenfisch	Mark	UNC Chapel Hill	
Seramur	Mary Elizabeth	Wake Forest	
Shaikh	Saame	UNC Chapel Hill	
			The North Carolina Diabetes Research Center
			provides opportunities for connecting with experts
			in the field, resources for enhancing access to
			current advances in the field, and developing
Shelby	Rebecca	Duke	collaborations. My research focuses on symptom
			One of my research programs centers on the
			interaction and intersection of the immune system
			and the gastrointestinal tract, particularly on how
			resident and infiltrating macrophages shape the
			homeostasis of the intestine and the liver, and how
			their normal functions may be disrupted to cause
Shiau	Celia	UNC Chapel Hill	disease. Proper workings of the organs of the GI
Shively	Carol	Wake Forest	To connect with colleagues and form new
Shrestha	Smriti	NC A&T State	Interested to engage in education and training.

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			Nephrology fellow who will be transitioning to
			faculty in July UNC Chapel HillOUNC Chapel HillDuke.
			I am interested in health disparities, specifically
			regarding Hispanics/Latinx and diabetic kidney
			disease. Hispanics/Latinx progress to end stage
			kidney disease (ESKD) quicker than their non-
			Hispanic White counterparts. The reasons for this
			are multifactorial, but the leading cause of ESKD in
			Hispanic/Latinx patients is diabetes. Furthermore,
			rates of diabetes and diabetic complications vary
			greatly among Hispanics/Latinx patients of different
			Hispanic heritage backgrounds. Previous studies
			have shown that racial and ethnic minorities are
			often prescribed evidence-based diabetic therapies
			lower rates than non-Hispanic Whites. However, it is
			unclear how prescribing patterns may differ among
			Hispanics/Latinx of different Hispanic heritage
			backgrounds. I am currently working on a project to
			answer this question, evaluating prescribing
			patterns of evidence-based therapies in large,
			multicenter cohort of >Wake Forest ,NC A&T
			State00 Hispanic/Latinx diabetics, with a focus on
			newer therapeutics like sodium glucose co-
			transporter UNC Chapel Hill inhibitors (SGLTUNC
			Chapel Hilli). Additionally, I am interested in
			identifying barriers and facilitators to prescribing of
			these medications by PCPs, nephrologists, and
Sinclair	Matthew	Duke	others providers. I plan to qualitatively study this
Sincian	Watthew	Duke	I would like to join the NC Diabetes Research Center
sink	sandy	Wake Forest	so I can get the email seminars and other info
	Sanay		My research is dedicated to solving the debilitating
			effects of ulcerative wounds in diabetes. Solutions
			involve using endogenous skin proteins as well as
Smith	Simone	NC A&T State	finding natural plant remedies. The lab focuses on
Smith-Ryan	Abbie	UNC Chapel Hill	
Snyderman	Ralph	Duke	Education and new models of care
			I have been working in the area of sensor
			technology development for clinical use, especially
Sode	Којі	UNC Chapel Hill	in the field of diabetes care. I wish to join NCDRC to
Solberg			
Woods	Leah	Wake Forest	Assistant Director of NCDRC
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			I am a Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging
			Faculty Scientist at Wake Forest School of Medicine
			and my research involves developing novel PET
			biomarkers for the early diagnosis of diseases. I have
			few ideas and preliminary data to develop novel
solingapuram			biomarkers for potential diabetic imaging. I am new
sai	kiran k	Wake Forest	to the field of Diabetic Research and NCDRC seems
501		Wake Forest	
Sotres-Alvarez	Daniela	UNC Chapel Hill	
			We have a longstanding interest in both the
Spurney	Robert	Duke	pathobiology and treatment of diabetic kidney
Story	Mary	Duke	
			As an internist and pharmacoepidemiologist, I am
			interested in developing and implementing state of
			the art nonexperimental methods to limit the
			potential for bias, including by frailty, in
			pharmacoepidemiology (Comparative Effectiveness
			Research, Real-World Evidence). I have over DukeNC
			A&T State year experience in analyzing claims data
Stürmer	Til	UNC Chapel Hill	(Medicare) and merging claims to other sources
			I work in the field of environmental health. Focus of
			my research is on metabolic disease/diabetes
			associated with exposure to
			chemicals/contaminants in the environment
Styblo	Miroslav	UNC Chapel Hill	(environmental diabetogens). Most of my research
Styner	Martin	UNC Chapel Hill	
			As a physician-scientist , I investigate mechanisms by
			which exercise benefits bone health and the
			relationship between marrow adipocytes and
			osteoblasts. My work has focused on understanding
			marrow adipose tissue (MAT) and its physiologic
			function . Despite being happily anchored in the
			bone field, my work has increasingly intersected
Styner	Maya	UNC Chapel Hill	with that of obesity/ metabolism researchers, as we
Sumner	Susan	UNC Chapel Hill	
Taylor	Joan	UNC Chapel Hill	

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			research and evaluation examining health disparities
			among individuals with chronic diseases, such as
			diabetes. My research program examines health
			disparities in three ways. My research program
			examines health disparities in three ways. First, I
			have led multiple studies that examine the impact of
			developing systems of care and transforming
			practices on health care access and utilization,
			delivery and quality of care, and health outcomes.
			These studies have examined the effectiveness of
			transformations at the different levels, including the
			entire system, hospital, and individual practice
			levels. I have led evaluations of (Duke) national
			systems of care that aimed to coordinate care
			transitions across clinical settings as well as (UNC
			Chapel Hill) national episode-based models of care
			that aimed to improve the health and lower costs
			for beneficiaries by promoting practice
			transformation and appropriate clinical care. I have
			engaged in multiple studies that evaluated quality
			improvement and patient safety interventions in
			hospital settings. Finally, I have engaged in studies
			that examined practice transformation within
			patient centered medical homes, specialty practices,
			and ambulatory facilities. Second, I assess the
			effect of social determinants of health, such as
			socioeconomic position and health insurance status,
Teixeira-Poit	Stephanie	NC A&T State	on access to care and patient outcomes. I have
Thompson	Amanda	UNC Chapel Hill	
			During my graduate program, my research focus
			was in TUNC Chapel HillDM and brain health. It is
			important that I continue the connection to this
			space so that I have longitudinal learning in this
			field. Additionally, having attended my first
Thurman	Bernetta	Wake Forest	conference just a few weeks ago, it was
Ting	Jenny	UNC Chapel Hill	
Tisch	Roland	UNC Chapel Hill	
			Our research aims to examine the molecular
			determinants of calcium-regulated mitochondrial
			functions, dynamics/structural homeostasis, and
			resultant physiology with particular emphasis on
			cardiovascular pathophysiology. Mitochondrial
			dysfunctions and mitochondria-initiated cell death
			, signaling are the primary cause of cell loss
			associated with the progression of heart failure. We
Tomar	Dhanendra	Wake Forest	aim to characterize the pathophysiological

[I am interested in development of better methods
			for dietary assessment, including metabolomics and
			microbiome. I would be interested in utilizing
Tooze	Janet	Wake Forest	resources in the Center in validation of methods to
	Alexander	UNC Chapel Hill	
Tropsha Vidi	Pierre	Wake Forest	
VIUI	Pierre	Wake Fulest	Interacted in being a member of this outstanding
Vitolins	Mara	Wake Forest	Interested in being a member of this outstanding center for opportunities to collaborate with top
VITOIINS	Mara	wake Forest	I am interested in the role of diabetes in the onset
Verusenti	Correio		and progression of neurodegenerative diseases,
Voruganti	Saroja	UNC Chapel Hill	particularly Alzheimer's disease. I hope to gain more
			I am a local scholar in the area of health disparities. I
Wade	Jeannette	NC A&T State	would like to stay connected with NCDRC for
			I look forward to networking with other diabetes
Wagenknecht	Lynne	Wake Forest	researchers in the NC region and beyond.
			l am interested in a holistic approach to kidney
			health and through research seek to understand the
			interplay between co-morbidities such as
			hypertension, kidney disease, and diabetes. The NC
Walmer	Rachel	UNC Chapel Hill	Diabetes Research Center provides a unique
			My research interests focus on bone and muscle
			health and I'm interested to apply my biomedical
Weaver	Ashley	Wake Forest	engineering methods to musculoskeletal related
White	Phillip	Duke	I am a scientist performing diabetes research in
Whitmire	Jason	UNC Chapel Hill	
Wise Thomas	Sherrie	Wake Forest	My research is focused on diabetes prevention and
Wolf	Myles	Duke	Access to cores, colleagues with expertise
			I am a pharmacoepidemiologist whose research
			focuses on the safety and effectiveness of
			medication use in pregnancy. One of my main areas
Wood	Mollie	UNC Chapel Hill	of interest is the management of preexisting chronic
Yadav	Hariom	Wake Forest	
Yancy	William	Duke	Opportunities to collaborate, network and learn
			I am interested in understanding how diet and gut
			microbes interact with the intestinal
			enteroendocrine cells to regulate metabolism and
Ye	Lihua	Duke	nervous system function. I would like to join the
			In the past years, I have participated in many
			activities including seminars and webinars
			sponsored by the North Carolina Diabetes Research
			Center (NCDRC). I really enjoyed these activities and
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			learned a lot from the presentations. In addition.
			learned a lot from the presentations. In addition, NCDRC creates the diabetes research community

			I am an endocrinologist who is involved in clinical trials as well ass dissemination and implementation efforts in the field of diabetes. Staying abreast of
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Young	Laura	UNC Chapel Hill	the pulse of diabetes in NC and nationally is
Zeisel	Steven	UNC Chapel Hill	
Zhang	Guofang	Duke	
Zhu	Xuewei	Wake Forest	
			My research interest is in how probiotics, probiotic
			metabolites, and natural ingredients can modulate
			biochemical pathways underlying energy
Zimmerman	Tahl	NC A&T State	production. I believe the resources and expertise