

Juliana Bakk, MD

Home Town: Beavercreek, OH

Undergraduate: Wright State University

Medical School: The Ohio State University College of Medicine

What do you like doing on your days off?

My husband Ian (UC neurology resident) and I like to spend time with our baby Gianna. She loves going on walks with our greyhound and going to many of the parks in the area.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I am currently applying for fellowship in Maternal Fetal Medicine.

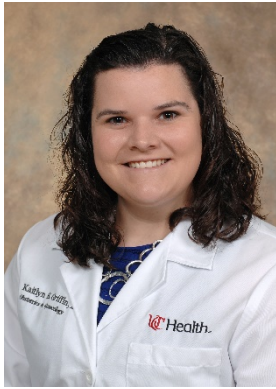
Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

The residents are all very close and I've made some of my best friends during the past three years here. The MFM program is also very strong, and the fetal center is one of the highest volume in the country. We see high acuity patients at UC as well as high volume gynecologic surgical cases at TCH.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest:

Influence of access to immediate postpartum LARC on interpregnancy interval.



Katie Griffin, MD

Home Town: Indianapolis, Indiana

Undergraduate: University of Southern Indiana

Medical School: Indiana University School of Medicine

What do you like doing on your days off?

When I'm not at work, I enjoy checking out breweries/restaurants, sand volleyball or other recreational sports, binge watching netflix, grilling if the weather is nice, etc.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

Generalist

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I really enjoyed the people when I interviewed here. I have not regretted my decision.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest:

Postpartum colposcopy



Nischelle Kalakota, MD, MS

Home Town: Midland, MI

Undergraduate: University of Michigan

Graduate School: MS in Physiology from University of Cincinnati

Medical School: University of Cincinnati

What do you like doing on your days off?

Working out or hanging out in OTR or downtown

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I am currently pursuing a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Fertility.

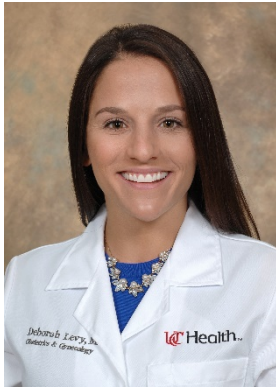
Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I enjoyed my rotation here as a medical student.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Presentations:

PCOS and Fertility Preservation, projects presented at ASRM in 2017 and 2018



Debbie Levy, MD

Home Town: St. Louis, MO

Undergraduate: University of Missouri-Kansas City

Medical School: University of Missouri-Kansas City

What do you like doing on your days off?

My fiancé and I have played on the UC Ob/Gyn dodgeball, beach volleyball, softball, and flag football teams. We also enjoy spending time with our UC colleagues at breweries and bringing our three dogs with us whenever possible!

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I am excited to be staying at the Christ Hospital/University of Cincinnati for Urogynecology fellowship!

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I was drawn to UC for the surgical training/exposure and close-knit residents.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Publications:

Reisinger-Kindle KM, Wollenschlaeger M, Levy D, Chescheir NC. Connect the Dots – July 2019. *Obstetrics & Gynecology*. 134 (1): 175-76, July 2019. PMID: 31188331

Cizek S, Wolf J, Levy D, Breech L. 32. An Underdeveloped Structure With Fully-matured Learning Points: A Case of Rudimentary Horn Pregnancy. *Journal of Pediatric & Adolescent Gynecology*. 32(2): 207, April 2019.

Yuen H, Stachowicz A, Lang P, Levy D, Whiteside JL. 87: Factors associated with emergency department utilization after benign gynecologic surgery. *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, 220 (3):760S, March 2019.

Porter B, Levy D, Mundy D, Babbar S, Williams K, Maulik D. Resident Education Using a Novel, Low-Cost Postpartum Hemorrhage Simulator with Quantifiable Blood Loss. *Obstetrics & Gynecology*. 128:49S-50S, October 2016.

Kaja S, Payne AJ, Naumchuk Y, Levy D, Zaidi DH, Nawazish S, Ghuman JK, Gerdes BC, Koulen P. Plate reader-based cell viability assays for glioprotection using primary rat optic nerve head astrocytes. *Experimental Eye Research*. 2015 Sep; 138: 159-66. PMID: 26048476

Publications or Manuscripts in Process:

Levy D, Casey S, Zemtsov G, Whiteside JL. Salpingectomy vs. Tubal Occlusion for Permanent Contraception During Cesarean Delivery: Outcomes and Physician Attitudes. Manuscript submitted to *American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

Whiteside JL, Levy D, Sax M, Hohmann S. Degree of Pelvic Organ Prolapse and Renal Function: A Retrospective Cohort Study. In writing with plans to submit to *Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

Levy D, Hohmann S, Whiteside JL. Understanding the Variation in the Surgical Management of Pelvic Organ Prolapse. In writing with plans to submit to *Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

Stachowicz A, Yuen H, Levy D, Whiteside JL. Factors Influencing 30-day Emergency Department Visits Following Benign Gynecologic Surgery. Submitted to *Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

Rossi R, Brackett E, Bakk J, Levy D, Reddy S, Warshak C, McKinney D. Doppler of the Fetal Renal Circulation as a Predictor for Subsequent Development of Pre-Eclampsia and Fetal Growth Restriction. Data collection and analysis in process.

Levy D, Masters H, Snyder C. Improving Compliance with Sequential Compression Devices for Prevention of Venous Thromboembolism on Labor and Delivery. Data collection in process.

Presentations:

Levy D, Casey S, Zemtsov G, Whiteside JL. Salpingectomy vs. Tubal Occlusion for Permanent Contraception During Cesarean Delivery: Outcomes and Physician Attitudes. Poster presented at Society of Gynecologic Surgeons 46th Annual Scientific Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, July 7, 2020.

Cizek S, Wolf J, Levy D, Breech L. An underdeveloped structure with fully-matured learning points: A case of a rudimentary horn pregnancy. Poster presented at 15th Annual Sam Seeds Research Day, Cincinnati, OH, June 7, 2019.

Cizek S, Wolf J, Levy D, Breech L. An underdeveloped structure with fully-matured learning points: A case of a rudimentary horn pregnancy. Poster presented at North American Society of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology Annual Clinical and Research Meeting, New Orleans, LA, April 11, 2019.

Yuen H, Stachowicz A, Lang P, Levy D, Whiteside JL. 87: Factors associated with emergency department utilization after benign gynecologic surgery. Poster presented at Society of Gynecologic Surgeons 45th Annual Scientific Meeting in Tuscon, AZ, April 1, 2019.

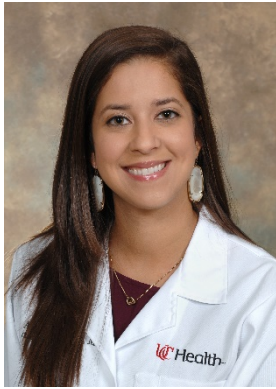
Porter B, Levy D, Babbar S, Mou S, Mundy D, Maulik D. Resident Education using a Novel, Low-cost Postpartum Hemorrhage Simulator with Quantifiable Blood Loss. Work presented at the 2016 CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, March 2-5, 2016.

Porter B, Levy D, Babbar S, Mou S, Mundy D, Maulik D. A Novel Postpartum Hemorrhage Simulator With Rate Adjustable Blood Loss. Work presented at the 82nd Annual Meeting of The Central Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Charleston, SC, October 21-23, 2015.

Kaja S, Payne AJ, Naumchuk Y, Zaidi DH, Nawazish S, Levy D, Gerdes BC, Koulen P. Novel plate reader-based assay measuring glioprotection in primary adult optic nerve head astrocytes. Annual Meeting of the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2015, program # 420 - A0133, Denver, CO, May 3-7, 2015.

Kaja S, Payne AJ, Naumchuk Y, Levy D, Altman AM, Gerdes BC, Koulen P. Primary rat optic nerve head astrocyte culture for glioprotection studies in glaucoma. Poster presentation at the 7th Ocular Diseases Drug Discovery meeting, San Diego, CA, Mar 19-20, 2015.

Kaja S, Payne AJ, Naumchuk Y, Zaidi DH, Nawazish S, Levy D, Ghuman JK, Gerdes BC, Koulen P. Novel plate reader-based assay measuring glioprotection in primary optic nerve head astrocytes. Poster presentation at the Association for Ocular Pharmacology and Therapeutics meeting, Charleston, SC, Feb 26 – Mar 1, 2015.



Ashley Murillo, MD

Home Town: Dallas, Texas

Undergraduate: Baylor University

Medical School: University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

What do you like doing on your days off?

On days off, I enjoy exploring Cincinnati with my significant other Shan (an EM resident) and our two dogs Mia and Leo. We enjoy hiking, trying new restaurants and breweries all around Cincy.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery

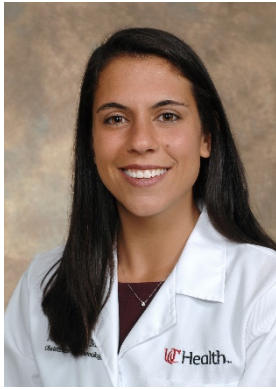
Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I wanted an academic residency program that had strong research resources, high surgical volume and strong mentors in each subspecialty.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest:

Interstitial Cystitis



Megan Sax, MD

Home Town: Grosse Pointe, Michigan

Undergraduate: University of Michigan

Medical School: Rush Medical College

What do you like doing on your days off?

I dedicate much of my free time to patient advocacy and medical education via ACOG and CREOG leadership roles and love to help get interested residents involved! In our free time, my husband and I enjoy spending time with friends and family, and playing/watching sports. We're huge college football fans--go blue!

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I hope to pursue a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility and continue to be involved in patient advocacy and medical education.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

My husband and I couples matched (Paul Kreinbrink, UC Radiation Oncology), and were so excited to match at UC. We wanted to train at a large, academic institution with research opportunities and a diverse patient population, and UC did not disappoint!

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Publications:

Sax MR, Pavlovic ZJ, DeCherney AH. Inconsistent Mandated Access to Fertility Preservation: A Review of Relevant State Legislation. *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, April, 2020: 135(4): 848-851.

Sax MR, Whiteside JL. Persistent abdominal pain two years after cesarean delivery. *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, July, 2019: 134(1): 102-105.

Sax MR, Pavlovic ZJ, Kim AS, DeCherney AH. Implications of Neuroactive Steroids in Mood Disorders and Contraceptive Development. Published online March 10, 2020 in *Fertility and Sterility* "Consider This." <https://www.fertstertdialog.com/users/16110-fertility-and-sterility/posts/61471-sax-consider-this>

Saiz AM, Thomas MC, Sax MR, Chescheir NC. Connect the Dots: Sustained effect of simulation-based ultrasound training on clinical performance: a randomized trial. *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, August, 2019: 134(2): 416-417.

Sax MR, Whiteside JL. Defining and Training the Expert Surgeon. *Follow the Evidence in International Academy of Pelvic Surgery*, May, 2018.

Kim AS, Sax MR, Pavlovic ZJ, DeCherney AH. Diverse, but not different: Lesbian women undergoing assisted reproduction. *In Press, Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

Presentations:

Sax MR, Burns K, Strine A, Frias O, Ferrara B, Schafer-Kalkhoff T, Breech L, Sroga-Rios J. Factors associated with fertility preservation in a pediatric, adolescent and young adult population. Oral presentation at the 75th American Society for Reproductive Medicine Annual Scientific Congress & Expo. Philadelphia, PA, October, 2019.

Sax MR, Hurley E, Rossi R, Thakore S, Hasija A, Sroga-Rios J. Young adult males' perspectives of male hormonal contraception. Poster presentation at the American College of Obstetrics & Gynecology Annual Meeting. Nashville, TN, May, 2019.

Sax MR, Gursahaney P, Casey S, Neill S, Villavicencio J, Freeman E. Miscarriage Management Outside of the Operating Room. ACOG Annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting, Nashville, TN. Junior Fellow Initiative Toolkit Second Place Winner.

Wolf J, Sax M, Sroga-Rios J, Lewis J, Jackson A. Oncology treatments in reproductive age cancer patients: The effect of treatment failure and recurrence on fertility risk assessment. Oral presentation at the Mid-Atlantic Gynecologic Oncology Society (MAGOS) Annual Meeting. Charlotte, NC, October, 2019.

Sax MR. An Interesting Patient Presentation of Fetal Ascites. *The Christ Hospital Grand Rounds*, November, 2019.

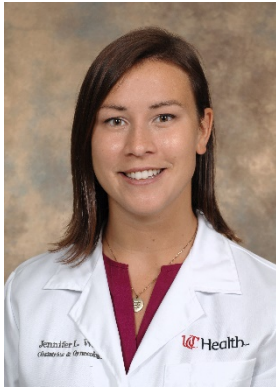
Sax MR, Whiteside JL. Laparoscopic Simulation Training in Gynecology: Interpreting the New FLS ABOG Requirement. *University of Cincinnati Obstetrics & Gynecology Grand Rounds*, May, 2018.

Sax MR, Cormano J. Barriers to Non-Barrier Methods: A case report of three patients desiring LARC methods at a Chicago FQHC. *Rush University Research Forum*. Chicago, IL, March, 2017.

Sax MR, Clayton GC. What to expect when you're not expecting: A review of common infertility etiologies and treatments. *Rush Medical College Capstone Symposium*. Chicago, IL, May, 2017.

Research Interest:

Emergency Department utilization by case managed patients following benign gynecologic surgery; Dr. Rocco Rossi, Dr. Elizabeth Kelly, Dr. Cara Keller; Dept of Obstetrics & Gynecology.



Jennifer Wolf, MD

Home Town: Westlake, OH

Undergraduate: Pennsylvania State University

Medical School: University of Cincinnati College of Medicine

What do you like doing on your days off?

My fiancé and I have 2 dogs, Maggie (a beagle-spaniel) and Annabelle (a corgi), and we like going for walks or playing in our backyard with them. We live in Florence, KY and enjoy going to Covington for dinner or the street festivals.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I am currently applying for fellowship in gynecology oncology.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I really liked the relationships between the residents and faculty and the feeling of mentorship, friendship, and collaboration that I saw. The chief residents felt ready to be independent generalist attendings, due to the vast GYN surgical experience and volume of high risk OB patients. I also was interested in a fellowship and liked that I would experience all of the subspecialties early in residency.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Publications:

Wolf J, Jackson A, Herzog T, Kendler A, Wahab SA, Billingsley C. A case of a unique presentation of a primary vaginal endometrioid adenocarcinoma arising in the setting of a recurrent peritoneal inclusion cyst fistulized to the vagina. *Gynecologic Oncology Reports*. 33 (2020): 100585.

Wolf J, Billingsley C, Kendler A, Jackson A. Cervical stratified mucin-producing intraepithelial lesion: A systematic review of diagnosis and management. Accepted to *Journal of Lower Genital Tract Disease*.

Straubhar A, Wolf J, Zhou Q, Iasonos A, Cham S, Wright J, Long Roche K, Chi D, Zivanovic O. Women with advanced stage ovarian cancer undergoing cytoreductive surgery: Independent validation of a risk-calculator for perioperative adverse events at a high-volume cancer center. Submitted to American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology.

Wolf J, Polen-De C, Griffin K, Loreen A, Lamiman K, Billingsley C, Jackson A. Quality improvement in documentation and counseling for modifiable cervical cancer risk factors.