Nephrology team grows in 2016

Le Bonheur’s Nephrology team has added eight new members and broadened its ability to care for children. Those new members include:

- **Ali Onder, MD** – Clinical Director, Nephrology and Hypertension
- **Songul Onder, MD** – Internal Medicine Nephrologist
- **Rima Zahr, DO** – Pediatric Nephrologist
- **Arwa Nada, MBBch. MSc.** – Pediatric Nephrologist
- **Aristotelis Astreinidis, PhD** – MTORC1 expert signaling and Lymphangioleiomyomatosis, oversees the Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) Pediatric Nephrology Lab
- **Matthildi Malianou** – Senior Research Assistant in TSC Pediatric Nephrology Lab
- **Rahul Mavinkurve** – Tuberous Sclerosis Pediatric Nephrology Researcher
- **Jiangling Armstrong** – Tuberous Sclerosis Lab Research Assistant

Program Updates

- **Published 23 studies** in peer-reviewed journals in 2016 on topics such as “Contemporary management of Vesicoureteral Reflux,” “Optimal treatment of tuberous sclerosis complex associated renal angiomyolipoma: a systematic review” and “Long-term survival in a patient with a bilateral renal agenesis.”
- **Delivered 20 podium and poster presentations** at national and international meetings in 2016.
- **Expanded access** for pediatric nephrology patients with a new outpatient center in eastern Shelby County.
- Le Bonheur Nephrology also treats patients in Jackson, Tenn. Le Bonheur will open a **new 30,000-square foot facility in Jackson** in Fall 2017.
- Le Bonheur is a select site for **Randomized Intervention for Children with Vesicoureteral Reflux** ancillary study.

Members of Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital’s Tuberous Sclerosis team recently attended the International Tuberous Sclerosis Research Conference in Lisbon. The team delivered eight podium and three abstract presentations. Le Bonheur’s multidisciplinary TSC program, led by John Bissler, MD, and James Wheless, MD, is recognized as a Center of Excellence by the TS Alliance.

For more information on these stories and more, visit www.lebonheur.org/physicians.

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About Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital

- 255-bed free-standing children’s hospital in Memphis, Tenn.
- Named a best children’s hospital by *U.S. News & World Report* for six consecutive years
- Designated Level 1 pediatric trauma center by the American College of Surgeons
- Pediatric partner of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center and St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital
- 24-suite FedExFamilyHouse provides housing for families who travel long distances to Memphis

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