



DCB ACADEMY FELLOWS



Sara Malakouti, MD, is a medical doctor and researcher who is a candidate for cardiology residency . She is a graduate of the state university of Milan, Italy, Università degli Studi di Milano(UniMi). She trained and gathered medical experience from many high ranked hospitals in Milan, including Policlinico, Humanitas, San Paolo, San Donato, etc. She was inspired to pursue a career in the cardiology field after becoming a fellow at the DCB Academy, where she gained advanced cardiology knowledge and authored scientific papers. She is committed to delivering evidence-based medicine with a focus on patient centred care. She believes physicians should always treat the patient, not the diagnosis.



Alessandra Laricchia, MD, is a medical doctor at Fatebenefratelli Hospital in Milano, Italy. She specialized in interventional cardiology in the team of Antonio Colombo. She is skilled in intricate interventional cardiology procedures and dedicated to continuous professional growth. She is committed to helping patients lead heart-healthy lives, and she is passionate about utilizing cutting-edge technology and treatment options to optimize care in the field of interventional cardiology.



Sindhuri Gollamudi, MD, earned her Doctor of Medicine degree from the American University of Antigua in 2020, followed by a Core Clerkship Certificate Program at Florida International University School of Medicine in 2019, and continued her rigorous training with a Preliminary General Surgery Residency and an Internal Medicine Residency at Brooklyn Hospital Center.

Throughout her career, she has been actively involved in clinical research, presenting her findings at prestigious conferences and publishing in high-impact journals on topics ranging from cardiology to women's health.



Rima Chaddad, MD, is a dedicated cardiologist whose journey into the field has been driven by an unwavering commitment to patient care, innovation and advancing medical knowledge. She finished her cardiology specialization in Lebanon and is currently working as a first-year interventional cardio fellow at Paris University (universite), working at GHEF Josef MHA. She is a respected figure in the medical community. Driven by a relentless pursuit of excellence, she remains steadfast in her mission to transform the landscape of cardiovascular care and improve outcomes for patients around the world.



Sylwia Iwańczyk, MD , was graduated from the Poznan University of Medical Sciences in Poland in 2014 and then completed a six-year general cardiology training at the 1st Cardiology Clinic in Poznan. Moreover, she finished training as an interventional cardiologist in 2020. In 2021, she obtained the title of doctor of medical science and is currently an academic teacher. Interventional cardiology has become her passion and a source of professional challenges. Her special interests are complex coronary interventions, coronary physiology and imaging, as well as the assessment of microvascular dysfunction.



Jacinthe Khater is a MD candidate 2027. She weaves her life's narrative with a fervent dedication to cardiology, particularly interventional cardiology. Her heart beats in rhythm with a passion for research, embodying Leonardo da Vinci's wisdom that "learning is the only thing the mind never exhausts, never fears, and never regrets." In pursuit of knowledge, she joyously immerses herself in the ever-evolving landscape of medicine, embracing the transformative power of continuous self-improvement.



Amanda Cyntia Lima Fonseca Rodrigues is a research collaborator at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is also a medical and statistics student in Brazil. She has strong communication, scientific research, analytical, team management, and problem-solving skills with the ability to inspire teams to achieve common goals.



Irfan Ullah, MD, si è laureato in medicina presso il Kabir Medical College di Peshawar, in Pakistan, e ha conseguito un MPH presso la Khyber Medical University. Attualmente presta servizio come medico residente presso il Khyber Teaching Hospital. Ha maturato una significativa esperienza nella pratica clinica e nella ricerca cardiovascolare. I suoi principali interessi di ricerca riguardano la cardiologia interventistica, in particolare il pallone rilascio di farmaco, la stenosi in-stent e la rivascolarizzazione coronarica principale sinistra. Eccelle nel monitoraggio dei progressi degli studi clinici, nel supporto ai team di ricerca e nell'implementazione di metodologie innovative per migliorare i risultati della ricerca. Noto per la sua leadership nel coordinare i progetti e nel fornire costantemente risultati di grande impatto e di alta qualità, il Dr. Irfan Ullah si dedica al progresso della pratica cardiologica attraverso la ricerca e l'eccellenza

Leontin Lazar, MD, is a specialist doctor in cardiology, working in Romania. He is a PhD candidate, with the ongoing thesis's title "The modern interventional approach of complex coronary lesions". He has completed an interventional cardiology fellowship in complex coronary interventions in 2021 in Milano, Italy under the supervision of Prof. Bernardo Cortese.



Marco Frazzetto, MD, attended the Medical School in University Magna Graecia of Catanzaro, Italy. He graduated with honors in 2018. In 2019, he started 4 years of Cardiology Residency at University of Catania. He mainly focused on Interventional Cardiology, coronary and structural heart disease. He also attended 6 months of Interventional Cardiology Fellowship in Massa, Tuscany, at the National Council of Research Center, under the guidance of Dr. Berti. He obtained his Cardiology Residency degree with honors in November 2023. Since July 2024 he is an Interventional Cardiology and Structural Heart Research Fellow at University Hospitals, Harrington Heart and Vascular Institute, Cleveland Medical Center, Cleveland, OH, USA with Prof. Attizzani and Prof. Cortese. He is Research enthusiast and completed, in September 2024, II Level Master of Science in Advanced Biostatistics at Padua University.



Giovanni Occhipinti, MD, is a Fellow in Interventional Cardiology at the Hospital Clinic of Barcelona (Spain). He obtained his degree in Medicine and Surgery from the University Campus Bio-Medico of Rome in 2018 (Italy), followed by his Residency in Cardiology at the University of Catania (Italy), completed in 2023. He has authored over 30 manuscripts and contributed to 3 textbook chapters. In 2024, he was awarded the EAPCI Fellowship Grant by the European Society of Cardiology. He is an active member of several European Society of Cardiology Working Groups, including Thrombosis, Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy, Atherosclerosis & Vascular Biology, and Coronary Pathophysiology & Microcirculation. He has served as an invited reviewer for high-impact journals such as the European Heart Journal, JACC Cardiovascular Interventions, and EuroIntervention, among others. He has also contributed to the Local Editorial Board of EuroIntervention Journal.



Antoine El Khoury, MD, is a medical professional who graduated from Lebanese University in 2017 with an MD degree, followed by a specialization in internal medicine in 2020. In 2021, he achieved a Master of Science degree in neuroscience from LU. Continuing his academic journey, he obtained a cardiology degree from the University of Balamand in 2023, along with diplomas in non-invasive cardiovascular imaging from the University of Bordeaux and advanced cardiology from Université Paris Sorbonne. Currently, he is pursuing a fellowship in interventional cardiology in France while maintaining a strong interest in research within the field.

Wojciech Wanha, MD, PhD, is an interventional cardiologist and researcher at the Medical University of Silesia in Poland. He specializes in interventional cardiology and electrotherapy. The main area of his research interests is invasive cardiology, in particular: drug coated balloons, new generation drug eluting stents, intravascular imaging by optical coherence tomography (OCT) and intravascular ultrasound (IVUS), techniques of in-stent restenosis and calcified coronary artery disease treatment, intravascular lithotripsy (IVL), cardiogenic shock and left atrial appendage occlusion.



Filippo Luca Gurgoglione, MD, graduated from the Catholic University of Sacred Heart, Rome, Italy, and then received specialist training in cardiology at the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Rome, Italy, in 2021. Currently, he is a PhD student at Parma University Hospital. He has been the co-relator of nearly 10 medicine and surgery degree thesis. Moreover, he is the author of more than 30 publications in peer-reviewed journals with an H-index of 8.



Jegan Sivalingam, MD, is an interventional cardiologist trained at Christian Medical College Vellore, India. He is currently working as a PCI fellow at Gloucester Royal Hospital, UK. He is interested in structural heart disease and complex PCI. He aims for early detection and intervention to reduce the impact of cardiovascular disease. He is passionate about empowering patients to be active participants in their heart health journey.



Bharat Khialani, MD, is an Interventional Cardiologist and perioperative physician, trained in Melbourne, Australia, with an overseas Interventional Fellowship at Royal Papworth Hospital Cambridge, UK. Experienced in complex coronary stenting predominantly through the radial approach, FFR and intracoronary imaging (IVUS/OCT rot ablation/orbital atherectomy/IVL and DCB angioplasty). Bharat also has a Masters of Public Health and Masters of Perioperative Medicine, and is well versed in the perioperative management of patients undergoing non-cardiac surgery.



Muhammad Waqas Mazhar, MD, is a consultant interventional cardiologist at King Fahd Specialist Hospital Tabuk, KSA. He was a consultant interventional cardiologist at RIC, Pakistan. He is currently a fellow of DCB Academy, APSIC, and a member of ESC, EAPCI, the Euro CTO Club, and ESC.



Sandeep Basavarajaiah, MD, is a consultant cardiologist based at Good Hope Hospital and Heartlands Hospital. He also provides community clinics at Samuel Johnson Hospital in Lichfield. His area of sub-specialty interest is interventional cardiology (placing stents in heart arteries) in both stable and unstable settings. He is also the research lead at Heartlands Hospital and undertakes several research projects to improve patient care. He also regularly arranges several academic activities, both regionally and nationally.

Khaled Hamada, MD, is a cardiology specialist at the Air Forces Specialized Hospital in Egypt. (December2018-present). He is currently working as an assistant lecturer in cardiology at Kafrelsheikh University, Egypt. (May2018-present). He was a cardiology resident at Tanta University Hospital, Egypt. (November 2014–May 2018).



Jasim Hasan, MD, is from Bahrain and is currently a resident in the French cardiology residency program (diplôme d'études spécialisées de cardiologie et maladies vasculaires, CHU Amiens). He has a diploma in echocardiography, which is a 2-year program (DIU échocardiographie). Also, he is currently in his first year of the French diploma in interventional cardiology (DIU cardiologie interventionnelle). He is planning to take a career path toward structural interventions. He has a special interest in research and has been involved in projects close to his specialty.

Krupal Reddy, MD, is an interventional cardiologist trained in DM MRCP, UK. He is working as a specialist interventional cardiologist in Dubai. His areas of interest are complex coronary interventions, IVUS, OCT, FFR, and TAVR.

Amit Munjal, MBBS,MD, DNB, FSCAI is a senior cardiologist and Medical director at Dr Asha memorial Munjal Multi-speciality Hospital, Fatehabad (India).His area of interest is Clinical cardiology, Cardiac imaging and intervention cardiology with special interest in DCB .He has several publications in National and international journals.