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Clinical Interests

Dr. Kenyon's clinical interests focus on asthma, non-invasive markers of airway disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and sepsis.

Research/Academic Interests

My research interests are in airways diseases and critical care medicine. As a physician-scientist and Co-Director of the UC Davis Asthma Network (UCAN) clinics with a research interest in adult severe asthma, my laboratory staff and I are working to develop the next medications to improve the care of all patients with asthma.

My emphasis in asthma therapeutics focuses on the role of nitric oxide in airway inflammation. I was the recipient of an NIH career development award to study the effects of nitric oxide in models of airway inflammation and this work translated into an FDA new drug application to study L-arginine in adult severe asthma.

I presently have NIH funding to perform a Phase II clinical trial of L-arginine supplementation in asthma. In addition, I have collaborations with other UC Davis investigators to run intervention trials in asthma and to test novel asthma drugs in animal models. With colleagues in the College of Engineering, we are developing breath sensor technologies that will be handheld and phone-based to improve care for patients with asthma.

My training and translational research has depended heavily on the UC Davis Clinical and Translational Science Center and I am grateful for their efforts. To help train the next generation of physician-scientists and clinical fellows, I serve the Director of the CTSC Pre-doctoral Training Program and Associate Director of our NIH Training Program in pulmonary medicine and the Center of Comparative Respiratory Biology and Medicine.

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American Board of Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, 2011

Professional Memberships
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American College of Physicians
American Physiological Society
American Thoracic Society
California College of Chest Physicians
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Honors and Awards
Association of American Medical Colleges Award for Innovative Institutional Partnerships in Research and Research-Focused Training, 2013
Joan Oettinger Memorial Research Award, 2012
Outstanding Teaching Award, Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine Fellows, 2008
Paper of the Year Award - Society of Toxicology, Inhalation and Respiration Section, 2007
UC Davis, Dept. of Internal Medicine, Outstanding Faculty Teacher Award, 2005
American College of Chest Physicians--Affiliate's Case Presentation Award, 2000

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