

## Division of Urologic Surgery

Winter 2020

### Message from the Chief



Wishing you a happy and healthy new year! We are proud of our 2019 accomplishments in faculty recruitment, Urology residency program, and expanded service locations and multidisciplinary clinics. We look forward to the year ahead!

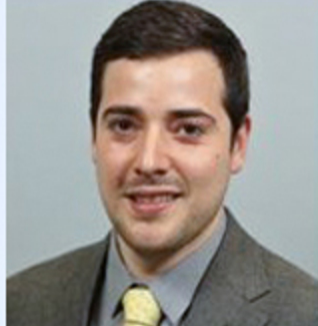
– **Aria F. Olumi, MD**

## What's New in Education?

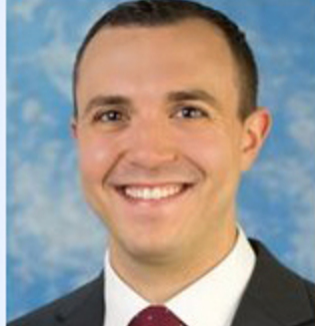
### Urology Residency Program Update

#### Residency Match

We are thrilled to welcome our newly matched residents to our Urology Residency training program. Welcome, Alejandro Abello, MD, MPH & Joseph Black, MD, PhD.



**Alejandro Abello, MD, MPH**  
Pontificia Universidad  
Yale School of Medicine



**Joseph Black, MD, PhD**  
University of Florida

### AUA Summit 2020 Resident Travel Award Winners

The NE AUA Socioeconomics Committee has selected Drs. Kenneth Softness and Suprita Krishna's health policy essays as one of the highest received and are sponsoring their trips to the AUA Advocacy Summit in Washington D.C. in March 2020! The AUA Advocacy Summit is an annual symposium that brings together the urology community, including providers, researchers, patient education and advocacy groups etc., to engage with lawmakers and empower health policy initiatives. Please stay tuned for their essays in the New England Section newsletter.

### Visiting Professor at BIDMC

We are excited to welcome Dr. Angela Smith, Director of Urologic Oncology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as our first Dewolf Visiting Professor on March 17-18th. She will be sharing her work in patient engagement and outcomes in bladder cancer.

## What's New in Practice?

### Welcome to Heidi Rayala, MD, PhD



Please join the Division of Urologic Surgery in welcoming Heidi J. Rayala, MD, PhD to BIDMC. Dr. Rayala will focus on General Urology, and will lead building a robust urologic practice in our Lexington outpatient clinic. Dr. Rayala's urological services will also span BIDMC-Boston and BID-Chelsea sites. With her outstanding teaching activities at Harvard Medical School, Dr. Rayala has inspired many talented students to pursue the field of urology. Dr. Rayala joins us with 10 years of experience from Cambridge Health Alliance, and we are thrilled that she has joined the BIDMC Urology team. Her short bio is listed below:

*MD, PhD (Molecular Biology)* — Washington University School of Medicine

*Urology Residency* — Harvard Program in Urology (Longwood Area)

*Urologic Oncology Fellowship* — Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

### Urology Services at BIDHC–Lexington

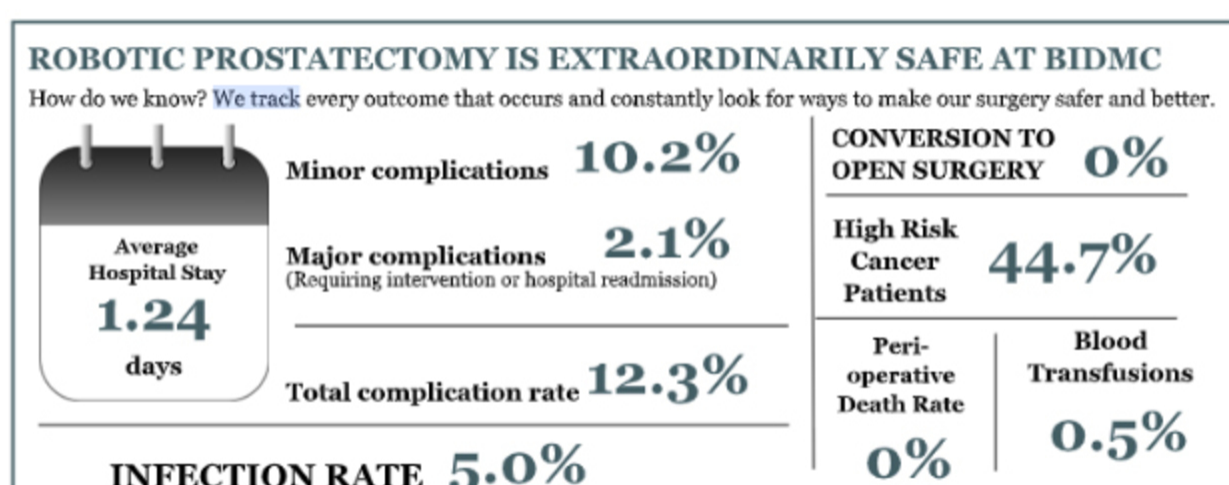
Starting this December, we have expanded our services to BIDHC-Lexington and hope to grow this satellite site in the months to come!

### Multidisciplinary Cancer Care at BID Needham's Lank Cancer Center

We are excited to announce that we have expanded our multidisciplinary GU cancer service offerings to the Lank Cancer Center at BID Needham. Our clinics are staffed with urologic surgeons, medical oncology and radiation oncology and our care model is that providers see the patient at the same time.

[Learn more »](#)

### Robotic Prostatectomy Outcomes at BIDMC



## What's New in Research?

### Canary Prostate Active Surveillance Study Receives NCI grant

BIDMC has been a major contributor to the multicenter Canary PASS study for the last 8 years. Of note, BIDMC is the only member of this study in the Northeast. The five year, \$6.7 million grant from the National Cancer Institute will continue to help improve the care of prostate cancer patients who are managed by active surveillance.

[Read more about the study and grant received. »](#)

### Recent Publications

Novel Education and Simulation Tools in Urologic Training. *Curr Urol Rep*. Nov 2019. Childs BS, Manganiello MD, **Korets R**.

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Impact of biopsy perineural invasion on the outcomes of patients who underwent radical prostatectomy: a systematic review and meta-analysis. October 2019. *Scad J Urol*. Wu S, Lin X, Lin SX, Lu M, Deng T, Wang Z, **Olumi AF**, Dahl DM, Wang D, Blute ML, Wu CL.

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Assessment of 5-year overall survival in bladder cancer patients with incidental prostate cancer identified at radical cystoprostatectomy. Sept 2019. *Int Urol Nephrol*. Wu S, Lin SX, Lu M, Subtelny AO, Wang Z, Dahl DM, **Olumi AF**, Wu CL.

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The incidence, predictors, and survival of disappearing small renal masses on active surveillance. Nov 2019. *Urol Oncol*. Srivastava A, Patel HD, Gupta M, Joice GA, Schwen Z, Alam R, Gorin MA, Johnson MH, Trock BJ, **Chang P**, **Wagner AA**, McKiernan JM, Allaf ME, Pierorazio PM.

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## Join Our Team!

We are actively recruiting for a Female pelvic medicine and reconstructive minimally invasive surgeon at BIDMC. Please contact [bidmcurology@bidmc.harvard.edu](mailto:bidmcurology@bidmc.harvard.edu) if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity.

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