



Introducing the 2023–2024 mentees

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Hashim Kaderbhai

Kenya

Dr. Hashim Kaderbhai is the current section head at the Aga Khan University Hospital in Nairobi, Kenya. Hashim finished his Masters degree at the Regional Dermatology Training Centre in 2019, and then became a consultant dermatologist and venereologist working in Kenya. Hashim was originally based in a private hospital and then shifted to a University Hospital in May 2022. He hoped that this change would better the patient care that is offered in his city. In his spare time, Hashim enjoys card making and origami. His love of art aligns closely with his love for dermato-surgery which he carries out as part of his current role.



Keturah Edwin-Tobias

St Lucia

Keturah Edwin-Tobias began her career in Dermatology from 2010 working as the head of the HIV unit in the Caribbean island of St. Lucia. She accepted the post as Community Dermatologist towards the end of 2011 providing care to patients at various health care facilities across the island. Dr. Edwin-Tobias is the country manager for the leprosy program on island and has a special interest in that area. She also consults at the main hospital (Owen King European Union Hospital) and also runs a private practice.



Magdalena Francis Dennis

Tanzania

Dr. Magdalena Dennis is a Dermato-venereologist with over three years of experience, who works at the National Hospital in Tanzania. She is also a visiting lecturer at the Regional Dermatology Training Centre, Kilimanjaro, where she teaches advanced diploma students about neglected tropical diseases and other skin diseases. She is currently working on a Teledermatology project in Bagamoyo-Tanzania to promote skin health to vulnerable populations. Dr. Magdalena has joined the GLODERM Mentorship Programme to gain skills in leadership, program development, grant writing, and publishing. Her goal is to develop a community-based skin health promotion program accessible to everyone, regardless of their location or socioeconomic status, to contribute to the betterment of skin health globally, particularly in developing countries.



Narayanan Arunachalam

India

Dr Narayanan is a dermatology senior resident at the Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry, India. He completed his junior residency at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India. Narayanan hopes to hone his leadership skills and help develop healthcare programs for people with epidermolysis bullosa and ichthyosis. His aim is to build an awareness development and counselling program in Tamil Nadu, India to ameliorate the suffering of epidermolysis bullosa parents and caregivers with a focus on pre-natal genetic counselling, acceptance of the diagnosis, and coping with the disease. He looks forward to getting involved in the development of artificial intelligence programs across the world to bring quality healthcare to rural communities. He trusts the mentorship programme will enable him achieve his goal to bring global standards of healthcare and training to a local level in his community.



Hafidh Hassan

Zanzibar

Dr. Hafidh Sheha Hassan is a Dermato-venereologist at Mnazi Mmoja Hospital in Zanzibar. He graduated with a Bachelor of Medicine in 2012 and completed his internship at Bugando Medical Centre. In 2015, he specialized in Dermatology at the Regional Dermatology Training Centre, Moshi, Tanzania, becoming the first Dermavenerologist in Zanzibar. Dr. Hafidh has attended conferences on STI management, the World Congress of Dermatology, and African Dermatopathology. He was a clinical instructor at the State University of Zanzibar, published articles in dermatology, and reviewed for the International Journal of Dermatology. Dr. Hafidh is experienced in Dermatosurgery and heads the Xeroderma pigmentosum program in Zanzibar since 2019. He maintains active memberships in the Zanzibar Medical Association and Tanzania Society for Dermatology.



Cyndy Muliro

Kenya

Dr Cyndy Muliro is currently a Dermatovenerology resident at the Regional Dermatology Training Center (RDTC) Moshi, Tanzania where she is also the Chief Resident. She obtained her bachelor of Medicine and Surgery degree in 2014 from Moi University, Eldoret – Kenya. Prior to her residency she was the Medical Officer Supervisor at the accident and emergency department at the Mama Lucy Kibaki Hospital Nairobi, Kenya where she was posted after completing her internship at the Defense Forces Memorial Hospital also in Nairobi, Kenya. She has been involved in several projects at the RDTC including planning and execution of the International annual CME conference, workshops and outreach activities among many others. She is also a member of the GLODERM trainee committee where she has participated in organizing and hosting several webinars.

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Jean Bosco Ndagijimana

Rwanda

Jean Bosco holds Master Degree in Dermatology, Venereology & Andrology (Alexandria University). He has contributed to the development of dermatology curriculum for medical students at the University of Global Health Equity (UGHE), where he is now a Dermatology lecturer. He runs a free monthly Dermatology clinic at Butaro Hospital, one of UGHE's teaching sites, that serves over 380,000 people in rural Rwanda who previously did not have access to a dermatologist, thanks to an AAD grant for skincare in developing countries. His interests include the development of Tele dermatology to increase access to specialized skincare for underserved people in Rwanda, as well as seeing patients at Butaro Hospital in between clinical visits, leadership skills, grant writing, research in dermatoeidemiology and the establishment and maintenance of community outreach programs. He is fluent in Kinyarwanda (his mother tongue), French, and English.



Mendrika Fifaliana Rakotoarisaona

Madagascar

Mendrika Fifaliana Rakotoarisaona graduated from the University of Antananarivo, Madagascar, in 2022. Mendrika gained practical experience through internships at the Department of Dermatology University Hospital Joseph Raseta Befalatanana, Antananarivo, Madagascar, and the Department of Dermatology Nord Franche-Comté Hospital, Trevenans, France. She actively participates in organisations like SOMADER, SPIM, ADF, ISAD, SFMTSI, Africaderm, and leads data collection in PASSION Dermatology. Mendrika's academic excellence earned her scholarships for the "Association des Dermatologues Francophones" Congress, "Journée De Paris" Congress, and SFP-SMM Congress. She authored and co-authored 12 articles, sharing her expertise with the dermatological community.



Regitta Indira Agusni

Ondonesia

Regitta is an Indonesian-board certified dermatologist and a PhD candidate based in Surabaya, Indonesia. She works mostly in the scope of Tropical Dermatology (especially in Leprosy, Scabies) and Sexually Transmitted Disease. She is an attending physician at a government-owned hospital, dr. Soetomo General Academic Hospital and Airlangga University Hospital. She also works as a Lecturer in the Department of Dermatology and Venereology, Universitas Airlangga. By joining GLODERM, Regitta aims to initiate an idea to build a system to provide dermatology service in remote areas, and to explore the tropical dermatology cases within the areas. She also hopes to have a broader network and connection within the international dermatology society, and keen to develop skills in writing paper, grant, funding proposals, and develop her leadership skills.



Phuong Nguyen

Vietnam

Dr. Phuong Nguyen is a dermatologist working at General Planning Department, HCMC Hospital of Dermato-Venereology, Vietnam. She has also been a lifelong educator and collaborator. By joining GLODERM Mentorship Programme, Dr. Phuong Nguyen would like to improve her global health dermatology skills, including setting up training programmes, enhancing dermatologic clinical care, doing research, expanding her network, and promoting ideas for projects which will have sustainable influence on dermatologic care system in Vietnam.



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Rie Yotsu

USA/Japan

Rie Yotsu is a dermatologist, and with her interest in global health, has cultivated her expertise in skin infections. She has acted as one of the pioneers in promoting skin NTD integration aiming at better disease control through resource and opportunity sharing, also was the author of the recently published skin NTDs framework – a first document by WHO on skin NTDs, putting skin health to the global agenda. Her research focus has been on the epidemiology, surveillance, and management of skin NTDs, especially recently, through the use of digital health tools.

Rie is mentoring Mendrika Fifaliana Rakotoarisaona.



Carrie Kovarik

USA

Carrie Kovarik, MD is a Professor of Dermatology, Dermatopathology, and Infectious Diseases at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Kovarik has a special interest in 1) global and community health, 2) infectious disease related skin conditions, and 3) improving access to health care through innovation and technology, including telemedicine and augmented intelligence. She has created the Penn Dermatology Global Health program, through which she works to provide clinical care and education in underserved communities.

Carrie is mentoring Phuong Nguyen.



Wendemagegn Enbiale

Ethiopia

Wende Enbiale is a dermatologist with 15 years clinical, research and leadership experience. He is a medical doctor by training with Dermatovenerology speciality. He has a MPH from the Manchester Metropolitan University and a PhD in global health from the University of Amsterdam. He is a full Professor of Dermatology in Bahir dar University in Ethiopia.

Wende is mentoring Keturah Edwin-Tobias.



Wingfield Rehmus

Canada

Wingfield Rehmus is currently the head of pediatric dermatology at BC Children's Hospital which provides dermatology services to children from throughout British Columbia including small remote communities. Her team also works in collaboration with a social pediatrics network in downtown Vancouver called RICHER, which is embedded into the community to support children and families living in vulnerable situations.

Wingfield is mentoring Narayanan Arunachalam.



Anisa Mosam

South Africa

Anisa Mosam is currently Associate Professor and Head of Clinical Unit at the Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital in Durban, South Africa.

Anisa is mentoring Regitta Indira Agusni.



Beatrice Etemesi

Kenya

Beatrice Etemesi trained at the RDTC in Moshi, Tanzania and has worked with the government at different levels. She is currently a consultant dermatologist at the Nakuru Teaching and Referral Hospital in Nakuru, Kenya, where she also acts as a coordinator of HIV services and deputy medical superintendent. She has also been involved in the initial scaling up of ART in South Rift Valley as a Provincial ART coordinator. In addition, Beatrice works as a Chief Officer in medical services and Accounting Officer for Health in Kakamega County.

Beatrice is mentoring Magdalena Francis Dennis.

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Helmut Beltraminelli

Switzerland

Helmut Beltraminelli is Vice-Chairman of Dermatology and Dermatopathology at Ente Ospedaliero Cantonale (EOC) in Switzerland.

Helmut is mentoring Hafidh Hassan



Kari Wanat

USA

Kari Wanat is currently on faculty as an Associate Professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee where she practices complex medical dermatology, inpatient consults, and dermatopathology and is the Residency Program Director. She is passionate about increasing access to dermatology care to underserved populations both locally and abroad through work in global health, teledermatology, and medical education. She has collaborators in Tanzania and Niger.

Kari is mentoring Cyndy Muliro.



Cristina Galván-Casas

Spain

Cristina Galván-Casas is a senior dermatologist interested in global health, tropical medicine, Skin NTDs and research. She has work experience as a university dermatology teacher in Spanish public health hospitals and in the Sahrawi refugee camp. She works in the international dermatological health programme DerMalawi, as a promoter and leader where she campaigns for teledermatology.

Cristina is mentoring Hafidh Hassan.



Esther Freeman

USA

Dr. Esther Freeman MD PhD FAAD is Chair of GLODERM and Director of Global Health Dermatology at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School. She has worked to improve healthcare, especially those affected by HIV, in sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, and southeast Asia since 2003. She has collaborated with the World Health Organization. Most recently, her work includes COVID-19 as Principal Investigator of the international COVID-19 Dermatology Registry, which is a collaboration between the AAD and the ILDS.

Esther is mentoring Jean Bosco Ndagijimana.



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