

**Faculty Information for FWGBD's Colloquium on
Hemostatic Disorders in Women and Girls**

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

9:30 am – 12:30 pm ET



Gowthami Morey Arepally, MD

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Gow Arepally, MD, is a Professor of Medicine and Vice Chief of Research in the Division of Hematology. She received her medical degree from Vanderbilt University, finished her residency in Internal Medicine at Emory University Hospital, and completed sub-specialty training in Hematology and Oncology at the University of Pennsylvania. Gow's clinical interests are in disorders of hemostasis and thrombosis, with a focus on immune-mediated thrombocytopenias—heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT), immune thrombocytopenia, and thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura—as well as applications of therapeutic apheresis. In addition to her clinical and research interests, Gow is deeply committed to the career advancement of trainees. She leads the Hematology T32 training program in Hematology & Transfusion Medicine, directs the Duke Strong Start Scholars program for junior faculty and serves as the Associate Program Director for the Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Program.



Andra H. James, MD, MPH

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Andra H. James, MD, MPH, is Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine at Duke University Medical Center, consulting professor of Medicine, Division of Hematology, and Founder of Duke University's Women's Hemostasis and Thrombosis Clinic. An Ob/Gyn and high-risk pregnancy expert, Dr. James is an internationally renowned leader in advancing the optimal treatment and management of women with blood disorders and is the recipient of the CDC Blood Disorders in Public Health *Outstanding Leadership Award 2012*; and the *HTRS Lifetime Achievement Award 2017*.



Sarah H. O'Brien, MD, MSc
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Sarah O'Brien, MD, MSc, is a pediatric hematologist in the Nationwide Children's Hospital Hemostasis and Thrombosis Center, an investigator in the Center for Innovation in Pediatric Practice at Nationwide Children's Research Institute and an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. She serves as the Director of Experimental Therapeutics for the Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology/BMT and also leads a multi-disciplinary hematology and adolescent gynecology clinic at Nationwide Children's Hospital. Her clinical and research interests include pediatric thrombosis and thromboprophylaxis, the evaluation and diagnosis of mild bleeding disorders, and the intersections between hematology and women's health.



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