

# Montefiore/Einstein ID Connections

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As a division and training program, we've come a long way. We haven't assembled in several months but our closeness as a division has seen us through possibly the most challenging time of our lives. Since we can't meet like we used to, we decided to start a newsletter to keep us all in touch....Enjoy

- Priya & Rachel





# Welcome to our New Fellows!

This year was one of our smoothest July 1 starts to date! We're grateful to our senior fellows who helped ease the first years into their rotations. So far, things are off to a great start. We truly hope fellowship [@MontefioreID](#) is everything you guys hoped for!

## Caroline Mullis

Caroline joins us from Mount Sinai. She welcomed baby boy Brooks Joseph Flynn on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Here are a few fun facts about Caroline: 1) she met the Queen of England during college, and 2) as a child, she was featured in Sesame Street and played an extra in an Elmo movie!

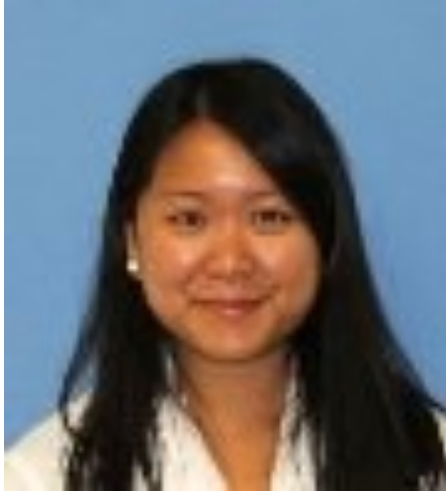


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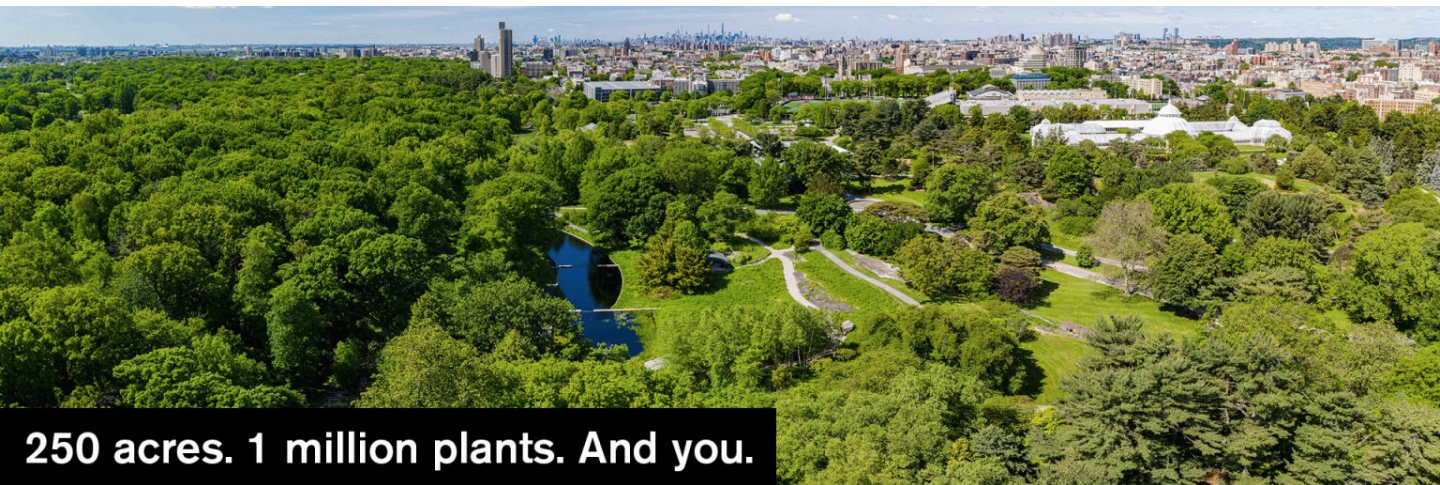
**Jonny joins us from George Washington University. He is cool, confident, and adventurous. He rides an electric bike to work from the UWS!**

# Helen Tsai



As a Long Island native, Helen Joins us from Stonybrook University. She loves exploring museums, reading, going to the beach and has a thriving plant collection in her new apartment in the Bronx.

Helen – we look forward to taking you to the Bronx Botanical Gardens very soon!



**250 acres. 1 million plants. And you.**





## **Rebecca Choudhury**

**Rebecca joins us from Vanderbilt University. She hails from Paducah, Kentucky, home to the National Quilt Museum. When Rebecca was in 4<sup>th</sup> grade, she won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in a statewide quilt square contest for school children!**

<https://quiltmuseum.org/>





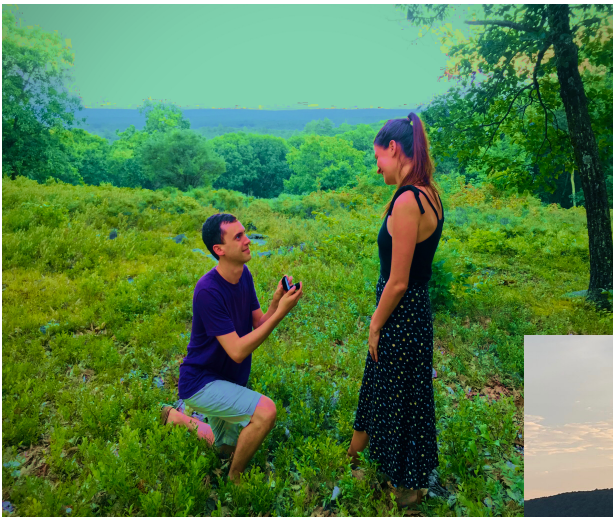
## **Nazia Khan**

Nazia comes to us from Brown University. Prior to fellowship, she studied at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine and worked as a hospitalist. Nazia is a big foodie and loves to try different restaurants (socially-distanced, outdoor NYC dining of course).



## 2<sup>nd</sup> yr. Fellow Milestones

Please join us in congratulating James and his fiancé, Claire, and Adam and his fiancé, Jacqueline. Both couples got engaged last weekend! We wish the happy couples the very best in their journeys ahead.







## Welcome to our New Faculty Members!

### **Laura Cheney**

Laura completed her clinical training in 2017 and has spent the past 3 years as a research fellow under the mentorship of Dr. Joan Berman, studying the impact of HIV infection on the CNS. Fun fact about Laura... she was one of the first members of the division to see Hamilton on Broadway years ago and has since gone multiple times (and converted several people). Laura joins us as teaching/research faculty at Einstein.



## Eric Meyerowitz

Eric comes to us from the MGH ID fellowship/HIV training track. You may know Eric and his colleagues from their highly acclaimed YouTube COVID-19 literature update videos and tweetorials. You can find him at [@EricMeyerowitz](https://twitter.com/EricMeyerowitz) and [https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=eric+meyerowitz+covid](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=eric+meyerowitz+covid). He joins us as teaching faculty at the Moses campus.



## Ashley Cenicerros

Ashley is originally from the Chicago area but came to NYC for post-graduate training. She is a graduate of the Montefiore PCSM program and Montefiore/Einstein ID fellowship. She is also an Einstein CRTP scholar and a recipient of an IDWeek trainee award. Ashley joins us as teaching faculty at the Moses campus. Here's a glimpse of baby Diego, one of our latest #IDfellowship babies!





## Faculty Highlights

### Liise-anne Pirofski, MD

It's hard to keep track of all her accomplishments but here are some upcoming online events you may wish to check out:

COVID-19: Scientific Advances and its Impact on Women's Health Symposium  
[publichealth.wustl.edu/covidimpactwomen](https://publichealth.wustl.edu/covidimpactwomen)

Mayo Clinic, Convalescent Plasma COVID-19 LIVESTREAM, 8/1/20, 8am.  
[Convalescent Plasma COVID-19 Livestream](#)

Also, did you know that Liise-anne has a wikipedia page? (She didn't know either until recently) Check out this awesome story about a researcher in the UK named Jess Wade who created wiki pages for 270 of the most influential female scientists... how cool is that?

[Academic writes 270 Wikipedia pages in a year to get female scientists noticed | Education | The Guardian](#)



## Dr. Betsy Herold

Our Division Chief of Pediatric ID will be giving a seminar entitled, "Learning from our Children: Immune Responses to COVID-19 in Children versus Adults"

**Thursday, August 6, 2020**

**12:00 Noon**

**Zoom**

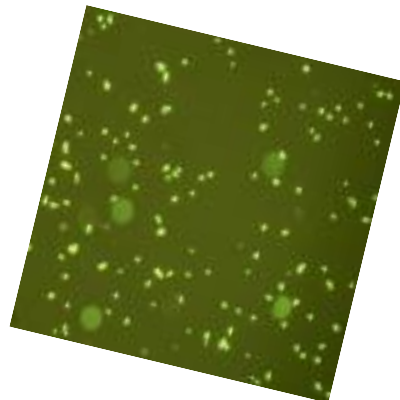
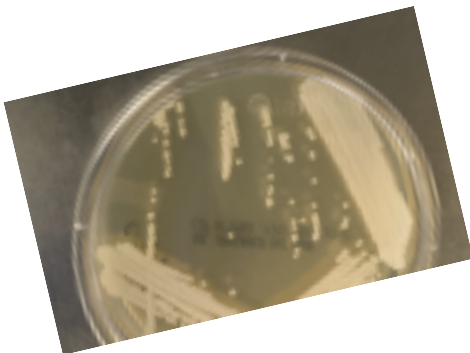
<https://einsteinmed.zoom.us/j/4249490332>

**Meeting ID: 424 949 0332**

## Online Resources:

- For the latest updates on Montefiore/Einstein Infection Prevention protocols updated regularly to reflect rapidly changing CDC guidelines, please refer to the Montefiore intranet COVID-19 resource page as well as Dr. Theresa Madaline's email updates to the division.
- Don't forget the **ID Case of the Month** by Dr. Ira Leviton on our divisional website. Ira has cases archived dating back several years, which are a great for ID boards prep for our fellows and faculty.
- Here is a teaser for July's case of the month: "66-year-old female with septic shock, pneumonia, and respiratory failure..."

<https://www.einstein.yu.edu/departments/medicine/divisions/infectious-diseases/>







## And finally...

- **A sincere thank you** to all our incredibly dedicated teaching faculty throughout the division who work tirelessly to train, groom, and mentor our fellows in both professional and personal matters. The success of our fellows is truly your success too. We appreciate everything you do to train the ID leaders of tomorrow.
- Here's a picture of **Dr. Julian Torres**, one of the fellows' favorite teaching attendings conducting rounds at Moses, following all the rules!
- And finally, for those of you on twitter, please check out our divisional twitter handle **@MontefioreID** for the latest fellow and faculty highlights and accomplishments.
- Don't be shy! If you have any personal or professional highlights for the next newsletter or would like to share those of your colleagues, please contact **Priya Nori** or **Rachel Bartash**.