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## Notable and Newsworthy

[Shannon Cannon, MD](#) has been accepted into the UW School of Medicine and Public Health's Centennial Clinicians Program. This program supports development of faculty from groups who experience health disparities in Wisconsin, and facilitates establishing a research and educational network of faculty members across the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus for each scholar.



[Tudor Borza, MD](#) has received a K08 Career Development Award from the NIH Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). The award is for 5 years and will fund work on improving opioid stewardship among rural surgeons in Wisconsin. This will expand on his existing research to create an intervention that addresses the unique post-operative pain control needs of patients living in rural communities while minimizing the unintended consequences of excess opioid prescribing.

[Kristina Penniston, PhD, RD](#) recently accepted an invitation to be a member of the International Alliance of Urolithiasis (IAU) review panel for its medical management and metabolic evaluation guidelines for urolithiasis. This document will include practical and evidence-based guidelines for kidney stone management and prevention.



## Dr. Margaret Knoedler Joins the Endourology Team

Margaret Knoedler, MD, joined the Department of Urology as an Assistant Professor (CHS) on July 1, 2022. Dr. Knoedler earned her medical degree at Tulane University in New Orleans and completed a five-year residency in Urology at UW-Madison. Following her residency, she went on to fellowship in Endourology, also at UW-Madison.

Dr. Knoedler knew early on that she wanted to be a surgeon – and after completing several surgical rotations in medical school, Urology quickly emerged as her field of choice. What drew her to the specialty were the “breadth of surgical



cases” urologists encounter and the tremendous impact urologists can have on their patient’s health in the clinic.

A Midwest native from St. Paul, MN, Dr. Knoedler “fell in love with Madison and the Urology program here.” She credits the high level of clinical and academic support she received throughout her six years of training at UW as significant factors in her decision to stay.

“I came here for residency and just didn’t want to leave.”

Clinically, Dr. Knoedler’s specialties include adult stone disease, BPH (an enlarged prostate), and minimally invasive surgery. She is highly trained in advanced procedures, including percutaneous nephrolithotomy, ureteroscopy, and HoLEP – a specialized, minimally-invasive procedure for treating an enlarged prostate.

The primary focus of Dr. Knoedler’s research is stone disease. Most recently, she and her co-investigators compared some of the numerous lasers being used to treat kidney stones, as there are “many new technologies in urology, especially in endourology.” She and her team are “pushing the boundaries and comparing the different kinds of technologies out there” to determine the best options for patients and patient care.

Welcome to the team, Dr. Knoedler – we are so happy you are staying in Madison!



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