

# SHAJIA RAHMAN ANSARI

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## Education

Fellowship Head and Neck Pathology & Surgical Pathology, UCLA, Los Angeles, California	July 2023-June 2024
AP/CP Pathology Residency, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas	July 2019-June 2023
M.D. Pathology, Osmania Medical College, Hyderabad, India	May 2011- May 2014
M.B.B.S., Siddhartha Medical College, Vijayawada, India	Aug 2004- May 2010

## Certification and Licensure

2023 **ACLS Certificate** from the American Heart Association

2023 **Physician's and Surgeon's License**, Medical Board of California

2023 **Board Certified in Anatomic Pathology and Clinical Pathology**, American Board of Pathology

2018 **ECFMG Certification**

USMLE Step 1 score: 230

USMLE Step 2 CK score: 244

USMLE Step 2 CS: passed (first attempt)

USMLE Step 3: 226

## Professional Experience

**Anatomic and Clinical Pathology Residency**, Baylor College of Medicine, TX July 2019 – June 2023

- Elective rotation in **Gynecology pathology** (4 weeks), Ben Taub General Hospital, July 2020
- Participated in CAP mock inspection for Molecular Neuropathology Laboratory, September 2020
- Elective rotation in **Head and Neck Pathology** at M.D Anderson, Houston, April 2022
- Elective rotation in **Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology**, UT School of Dentistry, Houston, March 2022
- Elective rotation in **Ophthalmic pathology**, Houston Methodist Hospital, September 2022
- Elective rotation in **Breast Pathology**, Ben Taub General Hospital, November 2023

**Assistant Pathologist**, Ensigna Biosystems, CA

Sep 2017 - Feb 2019

- **Research:** Validation of novel antibodies (ex. nectin 2, PD-L1, MMP 2) for identifying target expression & biomarkers on formalin fixed paraffin embedded tissues and tumor microarrays
- **Skills:** IHC analysis, High resolution imaging using Huron digital pathology whole slide scanner and Image Analysis using the HALO software for accurate detection of cyto-nuclear and membrane staining

**Observer**, UC Davis medical center, Sacramento, CA

May 2018

**Researcher**, California Institute of Medical Research, CA

July 2017-Sep 2017

- Investigated inter-microbial interactions between Pseudomonas and Aspergillus.
- Determined Minimal Inhibitory Concentration (MIC) for drug susceptibility.
- Studied the effects of drugs on Aspergillus biofilms.
- Co-authored 4 research papers.

**Pathology Residency**, Osmania General Hospital, Hyderabad, India

May 2011-May 2014

- Core rotations in general surgical pathology, hematology, cytology, and clinical pathology
- Pathology sub-specialties rotations, Hyderabad, India
  - Pediatric pathology, Niloufer Hospital, Hyderabad, India [8 weeks]
  - Oncologic pathology, MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre, Hyderabad, India [8 weeks]
  - Head and neck pathology, Government ENT Hospital, Hyderabad, India [8 weeks]
  - Gynecology pathology, Government Maternity Hospital, Hyderabad [8 weeks]
  - Pulmonary pathology, Government Chest Hospital, Hyderabad, India [8 weeks]
  - Forensic Pathology, Osmania General Hospital, Hyderabad, India [4 weeks]
  - Transfusion Medicine, Blood bank, Osmania General Hospital, India [4 weeks]
  - Ophthalmic pathology, Sarojini Devi Eye Hospital, Hyderabad, India [4 weeks]

## Teaching Experience

- MS2 Cardiology Pathology course Baylor College of Medicine
  - Pathology of vasculitis and vascular tumors
- MS1 Neoplasia small group session facilitator, Baylor College of Medicine
  - Prepare slides to review key pathology concepts with first year medical students.
  - Stimulate discussion with review questions and cases.
- MS1 FNA workshop, Baylor College of Medicine
  - Demonstrating FNA techniques, slide preparation and staining for MS1 students
- MS2 Pathology Course, Osmania Medical College, India
  - Pathology of inflammation and Neoplasia basics
- Medical Lab Technologist Pathology Course, Osmania Medical College, India
  - Blood smear preparation and interpretation

## Memberships

- American Society for Clinical Pathology 2019-Current
- College of American Pathologists 2019-Current
- United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology (USCAP) Nov 2020-Current

## Publications

- Olayinka L, Poventud-Fuentes I, **Ansari S. R.**, Garnett E, Devaraj S. True hyponatremia in the setting of pegasparagase-induced hypertriglyceridemia: A case report. *Clin Chim Acta.* 2022 Jun 1;531:68-70. doi: 10.1016/j.cca.2022.02.017. Epub 2022 Mar 10. PMID: 35283095.
- Ansari S. R., Lai S., Floor of Mouth Solitary Fibrous Tumor, North American Society of Head and Neck Pathology website, *Head & Neck Case Review*, April, 2021
- Nazik H., Sass G., **Ansari S. R.**, Ertekin R., Haas H., Déziel E., Stevens D. A., Novel Intermicrobial Molecular Interaction: Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Quinolone Signal (PQS) Modulates Aspergillus Fumigatus Response to Iron, *Microbiology*, 166(1), 44-55, 2020.
- Sass G., **Ansari S. R.**, Dietl AM., Déziel E., Haas H., Stevens DA., Intermicrobial Interaction: Aspergillus Fumigatus Siderophores Protect Against Competition by Pseudomonas Aeruginosa, *PLoS One*, 8, 14(5), e0216085, 2019.
- Sass G., **Ansari S. R.**, Dietl AM., Déziel E., Haas H., Stevens DA., Aspergillus-Pseudomonas Interaction: Relevant to Competition in Airways, *Med. Mycol.* 1, 57, S228-S232, 2019
- Sass G., Nazik H., Penner J., Shah H., **Ansari S. R.**, Clemons K. V., Groleau M. C., Dietl A. M., Visca P., Haas H., Déziel E., Stevens D. A., Studies of Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Mutants Indicate Pyoverdine as the Central Factor in Inhibition of Aspergillus Fumigatus Biofilm, *J Bacteriol.*, 5, 200(1), e00345-17, 2017.
- Mekhala P. M., Lavanya M., Aruna L., **Shajia R.**, Deshmukh P., Acute Myeloid Leukemia-M3V with Deep-vein Thrombosis: A Rare Presentation, *Journal of evolution of Medical and Dental Sciences*, 3, 2, 241-245, 2014
- **Shajia R.**, Aruna L., Mekhala P. M., Lavanya M., Kumar S. D., Metastatic Breast Carcinoma with Multiple Osteolytic Lesions - A Diagnostic Dilemma, *Journal of evolution of Medical and Dental Sciences*, 3, 2, 322-325, 2014
- **Shajia R.**, Clinicopathological Study of Cerebellopontine Angle Tumors, MD Dissertation, NTR University of Health Sciences, India (Advisor: Dr. T. Bhopal, Professor & Head of Department of Pathology, MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre, Hyderabad, India), 2014

## Presentations & Awards:

- **Ansari S.R.**, Pathology art-People's Choice award, Baylor College of Medicine, June 2023
- **Ansari S.R.**, College of American Pathology photo contest, 1<sup>st</sup> prize, October 2022
- **Ansari S.R.**, Melissa Blessing, D.O. An Exceedingly Rare Case of Nodular Fasciitis of Tongue in an Infant. American Society of Clinical Pathology, September 2022
- **Ansari S.R.**, Xu Ya, Finch Christie. An Unclassifiable Malignant Epithelioid Mesenchymal Tumor Harboring EWSR1-CREM Fusion: A Rare Case Report. Texas Society of Pathologists, Young Pathologist's Section Retreat, August 2022
- **Ansari S.R.**, Xu Y., Small Round Blue Cell Tumors of the Sinonasal Tract - A Review of 29 Cases, College of American Pathologist, September 2021
- Doan M., **Ansari S.R.**, Green L., Vasitis Nodosa with Extensive Perineural Invasion and CA19-9 Positivity, College of American Pathologist, September 2021
- **Ansari S. R.**, Lai S., Rare Case of Floor of Mouth Solitary Fibrous Tumor, BCM Pathology Trainee Research Symposium, Houston, Texas, April 2021
- **Ansari S. R.**, Reuther J. M., Elghetany T., Jyotinder N. P., Marcogliese A., Choladda V. C., Dolores H. L., Roy A., Alison A. B., Kevin E. F., Somatic Mutation Testing for Pediatric Patients with Known or Suspected Inherited Bone Marrow Failure Syndromes, Association of Molecular Pathology, 2020
- **Ansari S. R.**, Annual Pediatric Pathology Quiz Bowl for Pathology Residents, Department of Pathology at Texas Children's Hospital, Houston, Texas, 2020 - **Second Prize**
- **Shajia R.**, Arasi E., Cluster of Rare Fetal Autopsies, XXXI Annual Conference of IAPM AP State Chapter, Secunderabad, India, 2013 – **Best Paper Award**

- **Shajia R.**, Somalwar S. B., Kanna S., Sreedhar V. V., Hematological Changes in Chronic Renal Failure Patients Before and After Hemodialysis, XXX Annual Conference of IAPM AP State Chapter, Visakhapatnam, India, 2012
- **Shajia R.**, Knowledge About Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation in 200 Interns and Postgraduates of Two Medical Colleges in Andhra Pradesh India, XIII Joint AP State Conference of IAPSM & IPHA, Hyderabad, India, 2008 – **Best Poster Award**
- **Shajia R.**, Participated and Represented Andhra Pradesh State in South India Pathology Quiz, Indian Society of Hematology and Transfusion Medicine, Hyderabad, India, 2012
- **Best Student Award**, Fatima High School, Andhra Pradesh, India, 2001
- **Best Cadet Award**, 8<sup>th</sup> Andhra Girls Battalion, National Cadet Corps (NCC), India, 2000

### **Hobbies**

Cooking, acrylic painting, spending time with my family

### **Language Fluency**

- English
- Hindi
- Urdu