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## **ANUPAM AGARWAL TO BECOME NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF NEPHROLOGY**

**Dr. Agarwal will lead an organization of more than 20,000 health professionals from 131 countries dedicated to leading the fight against kidney diseases.**

**Washington, DC (November 10, 2019)** —The American Society of Nephrology (ASN) is pleased to announce that Anupam Agarwal, MD, FASN, will become the next ASN President for the coming year. He will assume his new role on January 1, 2020. Dr. Agarwal succeeds Mark E. Rosenberg, MD, FASN.

A highly experienced physician-scientist and academic leader, Dr. Agarwal is currently director of the Division of Nephrology and Executive Vice Dean at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). He is also Program Director of the O'Brien Center for Acute Kidney Injury Research, funded by the NIH/NIDDK.

Dr. Agarwal's accomplishments span the areas of clinical medicine, research, administration, and teaching. His bibliography includes 40 invited reviews or book chapters and 155 peer-reviewed papers in journals such as the *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology*, *Journal of Clinical Investigation*, *JCI Insight*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Circulation*, *Circulation Research*, the *Journal of Experimental Medicine*, the *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, and the *American Journal of Pathology*.

His research focuses on acute kidney injury and the progression of kidney disease. His work has elucidated the nature and significance of heme oxygenase-1 (HO-1) in vascular and renal inflammation, and injury, and the molecular regulation of the human HO-1 gene. For this insightful work, he is a recipient of the Max Cooper Award for Excellence in Research, the Thomas Andreoli Professorship in Nephrology, the Marie S. Ingalls Endowed Chair in Nephrology Leadership, a Dean's Excellence Award for Leadership, the Graduate Dean's Excellence in Mentorship Award at UAB, and election to membership in the American Society of Clinical Investigation (ASCI), the American Clinical and Climatological Association (ACCA), and the Association of American Physicians (AAP).

Dr. Agarwal also regularly teaches medical students, internal medicine house staff and nephrology fellows. He has been recognized for his teaching with

Outstanding Teaching Awards from the Department of Medicine at the University of Florida (2003) and UAB (2005 and 2007).

Dr. Agarwal's relationship with ASN has included serving as a member of the Program Committee and Grants Review Committee and Deputy Editor of JASN.

"I am honored to be ASN's incoming president," said Dr. Agarwal. "There has never been a more important and exciting time for nephrology. We are seeing changes we've never seen before, including increased awareness by our government of the importance of kidney health. ASN has been at the vanguard of all these developments, so it is a privilege to be taking on this role."

**About ASN Kidney Week 2019**

*ASN Kidney Week 2019, the largest nephrology meeting of its kind, will provide a forum for more than 13,000 professionals to discuss the latest findings in kidney health research and engage in educational sessions related to advances in the care of patients with kidney and related disorders. Kidney Week 2019 will take place November 5 – November 10 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC.*

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