



Venu K. Thirukonda, M.D, FACP

Venu K. Thirukonda, MD, FACP treats all forms of cancer and blood disorders at Northwest Georgia Oncology Centers, P.C.

Dr. Thirukonda received his Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) Madurai Medical College, The Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University in India, and conducted his residency at Maimonides Medical Center Brooklyn, NY and fellowship at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine Montefiore Medical Center Bronx, NY. He is currently active in cancer research and clinical trials to provide his patients with the most advanced cancer treatment available in Georgia.

Dr. Thirukonda provides patient-centered cancer care at NGOC's West Georgia Medical Center.

Academic and Professional Appointments:

Jan 2007 – May 2007

Assistant Professor of Medicine
Department of Medicine
Meenakshi Medical College and Research Institute MAHER
University
Chennai, India

July 2013 – Jan 2015

Attending Physician
Hematology-Oncology
Billings Clinic Cancer Center.
Billings, MT 59101.

Feb 2015 – Nov 2019

Attending Physician
Hematology-Oncology
Bassett Cancer Institute
Cooperstown, NY 13326.

Apr 2015 – Nov 2019

Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine
Columbia University
New York, NY 10027.

Oct 2019 – Present

Attending Physician & Medical Director
Hematology-Medical Oncology Wellstar
West Georgia Medical Center LaGrange, GA
30240.



Specialty Boards:

Diplomate in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine, 2010 Diplomate in Hematology by the American Board of Internal Medicine, 2013 Diplomate in Medical Oncology by the American Board of Internal Medicine, 2013

Administrative Responsibilities:

Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Medical Center:

2012 – 2013 Chief Fellow, Hematology-Oncology Fellowship.

Billings Clinic:

2013 – 2015 Founding President – Montana State Oncology Society (MSOS). 2014 – 2015 Member, Cancer Committee - Quality Sub-committee.

2014 – 2015 Medical Director, Inpatient Cancer Center.

Bassett Cancer Institute:

2015 – 2017 Pain Management Committee Member.

2015 – 2019 Cancer Committee member representing Medical Oncology.

2015 – 2019 Epic Beacon Chemotherapy ordering system, Physician in charge.

Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center (WGA):

2019 – Present Medical Director – Enoch Callaway Cancer Center at WGA. 2020 – Present Medical Director – Cancer Center Laboratory

2019 – Present Cancer Committee member representing Medical Oncology. 2019 – Present Infection Control Committee.

2020 – Present Chairman – Breast Program Sub-committee.

Research Experience:

Sep 2011 – Jan 2013

Samir Parekh, MD Laboratory

Overcoming drug resistance, novel therapeutics and epigenomics of Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, Mantle cell lymphoma and Multiple Myeloma.

Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, NY.

Feb 2013 - Jun 2013

Samir Parekh, MD Laboratory

Overcoming drug resistance, novel therapeutics and epigenomics of Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, Mantle cell lymphoma and Multiple Myeloma.

Mount Sinai School of Medicine - Hess science research center. 1470

Madison Ave, New York, NY



July 2013 – Jan 2015

PI and sub-investigator - Co-operative group and industry sponsored clinical trials Billings
Clinic
Billings, MT 59101.

Feb 2015 – Nov 2019

PI and sub-investigator - Co-operative group and industry sponsored clinical trials Bassett
Cancer Institute
Cooperstown, NY 13326.

Education:

1996-2002:

Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) Madurai
Medical College
The Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University Madurai, India.

Postgraduate Training:

Jan 2003 - Dec 2005

Residency - Internal Medicine (MD)
Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER)
Chandigarh 160012, India.

Jan 2006 - Oct 2006

Senior Resident - Internal Medicine
Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER)
Chandigarh 160012, India.

July 2007 - June 2010

Residency - Internal Medicine
Maimonides Medical Center
Brooklyn, NY

July 2010 - June 2013

Fellowship - Hematology & Medical Oncology (Chief Fellow) Albert Einstein
College of Medicine
Montefiore Medical Center Bronx,
NY.

Honors and Awards:

1993	Awarded certificate of merit in the National Talent Search Examination (NTSE)
1996	Awarded National merit scholarship certificate for achieving honors and top percentiles in the Higher secondary examinations.
1998	Awarded the “Dr. M. N. Guruswamy medal” in Pharmacology prize examination held in 1998, Institute of Pharmacology, Madurai Medical College, India.
12/2002	Ranked 15th from among more than 4000 candidates securing 99.518 percentile in the national level entrance examination for postgraduate courses, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India.
09/2004	‘Research Methodology & Biostatistics’ training at PGIMER, India.
01/2008	Special commendation from the Program director for patient care, professionalism and systems-based practice, Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
04/2008	Recipient of ‘Intern of the Month’ award for excellence in patient care, Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
07/2008	Special commendation from the Program director for performance beyond the call of duty helping out with a sick colleague, Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
09/2008	Special commendation from the Program director for medical knowledge, excellent patient care and professionalism. Was praised by attending physicians as being thorough and efficient. Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
10/2008	Recipient of the ‘Resident of the Month’ award for excellence in patient care and teaching, Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
2012	Invited reviewer - Clinical Advances in Hematology & Oncology.
2012-2013	Chief Fellow of the Hematology / Oncology Program at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine – Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY.

Society Memberships:

American College of Physicians (ACP) American Society of Hematology (ASH) American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)
 American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO) Canadian Association of Medical Oncologists (CAMO)

Invited Lectures and Sessions Chaired (Selected):

1. Jan 2004. Presented at Clinico-pathological conference, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India.
2. Sep 2004. Chaired Resident Clinico-pathological conference, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India.
3. Apr 2005. Stem cell transplantation, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India.
4. May 2005. Cold agglutinin disease, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India.
5. Nov 2005. Chaired Resident Clinico-pathological conference, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India.
6. Sep 2009. Case of the month, Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
7. Apr 2010. Morbidity & Mortality review, Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.
8. Apr 2012. Multiple myeloma for Internal Medicine Residents, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY.
9. May 2012. Acute promyelocytic leukemia for Internal Medicine Residents, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY.
10. Oct 2013. Treatment modalities: Surgery, transplant, radiation therapy, chemotherapy, targeted therapy, and biotherapy. Big Sky Oncology Nursing Society Fall Conference, Billings, MT.

11. Sep 2015. Coagulation and Thrombosis for Internal Medicine Residents, Bassett Health Care, Cooperstown, NY.
12. Dec 14, 2016. Oncology for Internal Medicine Boards, Bassett Health Care, Cooperstown, NY.
13. Apr 4, 2018. Oncology for Internal Medicine Boards, Bassett Health Care, Cooperstown, NY.
14. May 19, 2018. Talk at Otsego County Relay for Life.
15. June 6, 2018. Didactic lecture for Columbia-Bassett Medical Students – Hemolytic Anemia.
16. May 22, 2019. Didactic lecture for Columbia-Bassett Medical Students – Plasma cell disorders.

Scholarly Bibliography

Original, Peer-reviewed Research Articles, Reviews, Case-Reports and Abstracts:

1. Patel, Jigar; Thirukonda, VK; Desani, J; Goldberg, A. Evans syndrome presenting as the only manifestation of SLE. NYACP scientific meeting poster competition 2009.
2. Akinyemi E, Lin YS, Ghitan M, Thirukonda V, Chapnick E. Native Mitral Valve Destruction Due to *Moraxella nonliquefaciens*. *Infectious Diseases in Clinical Practice*. 2010;18:281-282 10.1097/IPC.0b013e3181deba15.
3. Janakiram M, Thirukonda VK, Sullivan M, Petrich AM. Emerging Therapeutic Targets in Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma. *Current treatment options in oncology* 2012.
4. Petrich AM, Leshchenko V, Kuo PY, Thirukonda VK et al. Akt Inhibitors MK-2206 and Nelfinavir overcome mTOR inhibitor resistance in DLBCL. *Clinical cancer research : an official journal of the American Association for Cancer Research*. 2012.
5. Thirukonda, V.K., R. Raghupathy, and S. Parekh, Aberrant Methylation in Hematological Malignancies. *Translational Medicine*, 2012. 01(S1).
6. Thirukonda VK, Petrich AM. Treatment of Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma. *Pathology Case Reviews*. 2012;17:90-97 10.1097/PCR.0b013e3182517d06.
7. Thirukonda, V., A. Petrich, and S. Parekh, Classical Hodgkin lymphoma and spontaneous regression. *Clin Adv Hematol Oncol*, 2012. 10(11): p. 765-6.
8. V Leshchenko, PY Kuo, Z Jiang, VK Thirukonda, S Parekh. Integrative genomic analysis of Temozolomide resistance in Diffuse Large B Cell Lymphoma. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2014 Jan 15; 20(2) 382- 92.
9. D Perumal, V Thirukonda, Z Jiang et al. Dual targeting of CDK4 and ARK5 using a novel kinase inhibitor ON123300 is effective in vitro and in vivo in Multiple Myeloma. *Cancer Research* 2014; 74 (19 Supplement), 1324-1324.
10. *Neuro Oncol*. 2015 Nov; 17(Suppl 5): v9. ATCT-33. RESULTS FROM EARLY CLINICAL TRIALS FOR 4-DEMETHYL-4-CHOLESTERYLOXYCARBONYLPENCLOMEDINE (DM-CHOC-PEN).