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Bio

BIO

Krishna Pundi, MD is a cardiac electrophysiologist and health services and outcomes researcher with a clinical interest in the management of ventricular arrhythmias and atrial fibrillation.

Dr. Pundi leads a multidisciplinary research program to study (1) clinical and arrhythmia-specific factors that predict cardiovascular risk for ventricular arrhythmias, (2) the interplay of frailty and obesity with atrial fibrillation outcomes, and (3) the role of digital health and wearables in arrhythmia care. He has led grant-funded research through the NIH, FDA, and ACC and collaborations with large device and quality databases including AHA's Get With the Guidelines. He has a special interest in innovation and regulatory science, having organized national Think Tanks of patients, investigators, and FDA to define the scientific and clinical use of wearable monitors. Dr. Pundi holds leadership roles through the American College of Cardiology, Heart Rhythm Society, Cardiovascular Sciences Research Consortium, and HRX - an innovation-focused meeting of clinicians, researcher, and industry.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Instructor, Medicine - Cardiovascular Medicine

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Cardiac Electrophysiologist, Palo Alto VA Health Care System, (2025- present)
- Cardiac Electrophysiologist, Stanford Hospital and Clinics, (2025- present)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dr. Scholl SURF Scholar, Mayo Clinic (2011)
- Magna Cum Laude for Outstanding Educational Presentation, Radiologic Society of North America (2015)
- Case Competition Award, International Dead Sea Symposium (2022)
- Edwin Alderman Award for Excellence in Clinical Research, Stanford University (2022)

- Member, Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society (2022)
- Research Fellowship Award, American College of Cardiology (ACC)/Bristol Myers Squibb (2022)
- Bill Lewis Young Investigator Award, American Heart Association/Heart Rhythm Society (2024)
- Forty under 40, Cardiovascular Business (2026)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Academic Advisory Board, Cardiovascular Sciences Research Consortium (2025 - present)
- NCDR EP Registry Steering Subcommittee, American College of Cardiology (2024 - present)
- NCDR CSQC Data Quality Subcommittee, American College of Cardiology (2024 - present)
- Future Hub Task Force, American College of Cardiology (2023 - present)
- Digital Health Committee, Heart Rhythm Society (2023 - present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Fellowship: UCSF Electrophysiology Fellowship (2025) CA
- Board Certification: Cardiovascular Disease, American Board of Internal Medicine (2023)
- Fellowship: Stanford University Cardiovascular Medicine Fellowship Program (2023) CA
- Board Certification: Internal Medicine, American Board of Internal Medicine (2019)
- Residency: Stanford University Internal Medicine Residency (2019) CA
- Medical Education: Mayo Clinic School of Medicine (2016) MN
- B.S., University of Minnesota, Twin Cities , Neuroscience (2012)

COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL WORK

- Healthcare Volunteer, Dominican Republic
- Global Health Scholar, Rwanda
- University of Guadalajara Brigades, Guadalajara, Mexico

Teaching

GRADUATE AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Cardiovascular Medicine (Fellowship Program)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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- **Recognizing Innovation in Academic Advancement.** *JACC. Advances*
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- **Dronedrone vs Sotalol Among Patients With Atrial Fibrillation: A Meta-Analysis of Retrospective Observational Databases.** *JACC. Clinical electrophysiology*
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2025
- **Premature ventricular contractions: The incidentalomas of cardiac electrophysiology?** *Heart rhythm*
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2024; 21 (8): 1296-1297
- **Scalable Approach to Consumer Wearable Postmarket Surveillance: Development and Validation Study.** *JMIR medical informatics*
Yoo, R. M., Viggiano, B. T., Pundi, K. N., Fries, J. A., Zahedivash, A., Podchiyska, T., Din, N., Shah, N. H.
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- **Predictors and possible mechanisms of premature ventricular contraction induced cardiomyopathy.** *Journal of cardiovascular electrophysiology*
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- **Who Are We Missing? Reporting of Transgender and Gender-Expansive Populations in Clinical Trials.** *Journal of the American Heart Association*
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- **ACC/AHA Hypertension Guidelines and CHA2DS2-VASc Up-Scoring in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation.** *JAMA network open*
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- **Dronedrone Versus Sotalol in Antiarrhythmic Drug-Naive Veterans With Atrial Fibrillation.** *Circulation. Arrhythmia and electrophysiology*
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- **Association of CHA2DS2-VASc and HAS-BLED to Frailty and Frail Outcomes: From the TREAT-AF Study.** *American heart journal*
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2023

- **Design and development of a digital shared decision-making tool for stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation.** *JAMIA open*
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- **Anticoagulation Treatment and Outcomes of Venous Thromboembolism by Weight and Body Mass Index: Insights From the Veterans Health Administration.** *Circulation. Cardiovascular quality and outcomes*
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