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CLINICAL FOCUS

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor - University Medical Line, Pediatrics - Hematology & Oncology
- Member, Maternal & Child Health Research Institute (MCHRI)
- Member, Stanford Cancer Institute

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Division Chief, Pediatric Hematology, Oncology, Stem Cell Transplantation & Regenerative Medicine, (2020- present)
- Director, Bass Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Diseases, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, Stanford, (2020- present)
- Associate Director, Childhood Cancer, Stanford Cancer Institute, (2020- present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Board Certification: Pediatrics, American Board of Pediatrics (2007)
- Board Certification: Pediatric Hematology-Oncology, American Board of Pediatrics (2011)
- Fellowship: Childrens Hospital Los Angeles Hematology Oncology Fellowship (2009) CA
- Residency: Children's Hospital Los Angeles Pediatric Residency (2006) CA
- Medical Education: University of Southern California (2003) CA

LINKS

- Gruber Lab Site: <https://med.stanford.edu/gruberlab.html>

Research & Scholarship

CLINICAL TRIALS

- GD2 CAR T Cells in Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Gliomas(DIPG) & Spinal Diffuse Midline Glioma(DMG), Recruiting
- Study of Talazoparib in Combination With Chemotherapy in Relapsed Pediatric AML to Determine Safety and Efficacy, Recruiting
- TINI 2: Total Therapy for Infants With Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia II, Recruiting
- Palbociclib in Combination With Chemotherapy in Pediatric Patients With Relapsed or Refractory Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (RELPALL2), Not Recruiting
- Total Therapy for Infants With Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) I, Not Recruiting

Teaching

STANFORD ADVISEES

Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

Thien Phuc Nguyen

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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- **CIC-Rearrangements in Pediatric Acute Erythroid Leukemia/Erythroblastic Sarcoma.** *Pediatric blood & cancer*
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