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BIO

Niaz Banaei received his medical education from Stanford University and completed residency training in laboratory medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. He then completed a postdoctoral fellowship in infectious diseases at the New York University. He is currently an Associate Professor of Pathology and Medicine (Division of Infectious Diseases & Geographic Medicine) at Stanford University and is the Medical Director of the Clinical Microbiology Laboratory at Stanford Health Care. In addition, he is the Director of Stanford Clinical Microbiology Fellowship. He serves on the board of advisors for the Center for Disease Control Tuberculosis Epidemiologic Studies Consortium II (TBESC). His research interests include (1) development, assessment, and improvement of novel infectious diseases diagnostics, (2) enhancing the quality of *C. difficile* diagnostic results, and (3) characterization of *M. tuberculosis* virulence determinants. He was the recipient of Kenneth L. Vosti Infectious Diseases and Stanford University clinical pathology junior faculty teaching awards.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Clinical Pathology
- Mycobacterium Infections
- Clinical Laboratory Techniques

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor - Med Center Line, Pathology
- Professor - Med Center Line, Medicine - Infectious Diseases
- Member, Bio-X

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Program Director, Clinical Pathology Residency Training, Stanford University (2016 - Present), (2016- present)
- Medical Director, Clinical Microbiology Laboratory, Stanford University (2007 - Present), (2007- present)
- Director, Clinical Microbiology Fellowship, Stanford University, (2016- present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Residency: UCSF Clinical Pathology Residency (2003) CA

- Internship: UCSF Clinical Pathology Residency (2002) CA
- Fellowship: New York University (2007) NY
- Board Certification: Clinical Pathology, American Board of Pathology (2004)
- Medical Education: Stanford University School of Medicine (2001) CA
- MD, Stanford University , Medicine (2001)

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

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Teaching

STANFORD ADVISEES

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Publications

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- **Liquid biopsy for infectious diseases: sequencing of cell-free plasma to detect pathogen DNA in patients with invasive fungal disease** *DIAGNOSTIC MICROBIOLOGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE*
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