
University of Iowa Electrophysiology Fellowship

PROGRAM INFORMATION
2026

Why Iowa?

- The University of Iowa provides extensive exposure to lead extractions, complex ablations, new technology, and clinical trials. Here at the University, we prepare you to tackle any case right out of fellowship and allow your training to be tailored to your interest.

Rotations

- **UI Main Campus**

- Fellows will spend about 6 months at the main campus, in their weekly clinics and scrubbing in the lab with our 7-core teaching faculty.
- Fellows will rotate through an advanced EP consult service; this service is paired with a CVD fellow and an EP faculty as a way to continue to advance your skills in consultative EP.

- **VA Hospital**

- Fellows will spend 3 months over the duration of the year at the VA hospital. During this rotation you will perform procedures, attend a weekly clinic and perform research.

- **Medical Center Downtown**

- Fellows will spend approximately three months at our Medical Center Downtown campus, where they will rotate through the EP Lab alongside core teaching faculty and participate in a weekly continuity clinic within a community-based hospital setting.

- **Call**

- Between the 5 fellows (if applicable, the AIRE 2+2 Fellow) the call will be divided into a 5 (or 6) week rotation.

Procedural Volume

2/1/2023-6/30-2024

Procedure:	Performed:
Ablation accessory pathway	10
Ablation atrial fibrillation	152
Ablation atrial flutter	100
Ablation atrial tachycardia	19
Ablation AV node	15
Ablation AVNRT	40
Ablation PVC	37
Ablation SVT	7
Ablation ventricular tachycardia	16
CRT upgrades	32
EP studies only	23
Generator replacements	45
Lead revisions	8
Leads/device extractions	34
Loop recorder implants	5
Mapping: 3D	1
MICRA - Leadless Pacemaker	9
New CRT D implant	36
New CRT pacemaker implant	16
New ICD Implant	30
New pacemaker implant	80
Pacemaker upgrades	2
Pocket revisions- is now just relocation	1
Stimulation after drug infusion	1
Subcutaneous ICD implant	11
Watchman Implant	8
Other Procedures (typed in)	93
Total:	831

7/1/2022-6/30-2024

Procedure:	Performed:
Ablation accessory pathway	8
Ablation atrial fibrillation	199
Ablation atrial flutter	141
Ablation atrial tachycardia	8
Ablation AV node	45
Ablation AVNRT	29
Ablation PVC	37
Ablation SVT	39
Ablation ventricular tachycardia	32
CRT upgrades	40
EP studies only	31
Epicardial access	2
Generator replacements	62
Lead revisions	22
Leads/device extractions	60
Loop recorder implants	2
Mapping: 3D	3
MICRA - Leadless Pacemaker	8
New CRT D implant	58
New CRT pacemaker implant	35
New ICD Implant	43
New pacemaker implant	187
Pacemaker upgrades	1
Pocket revisions- is now just relocation	3
Stimulation after drug infusion	1
Subcutaneous ICD implant	16
Watchman Implant	11
Other Procedures (typed in)	109
Total:	1232

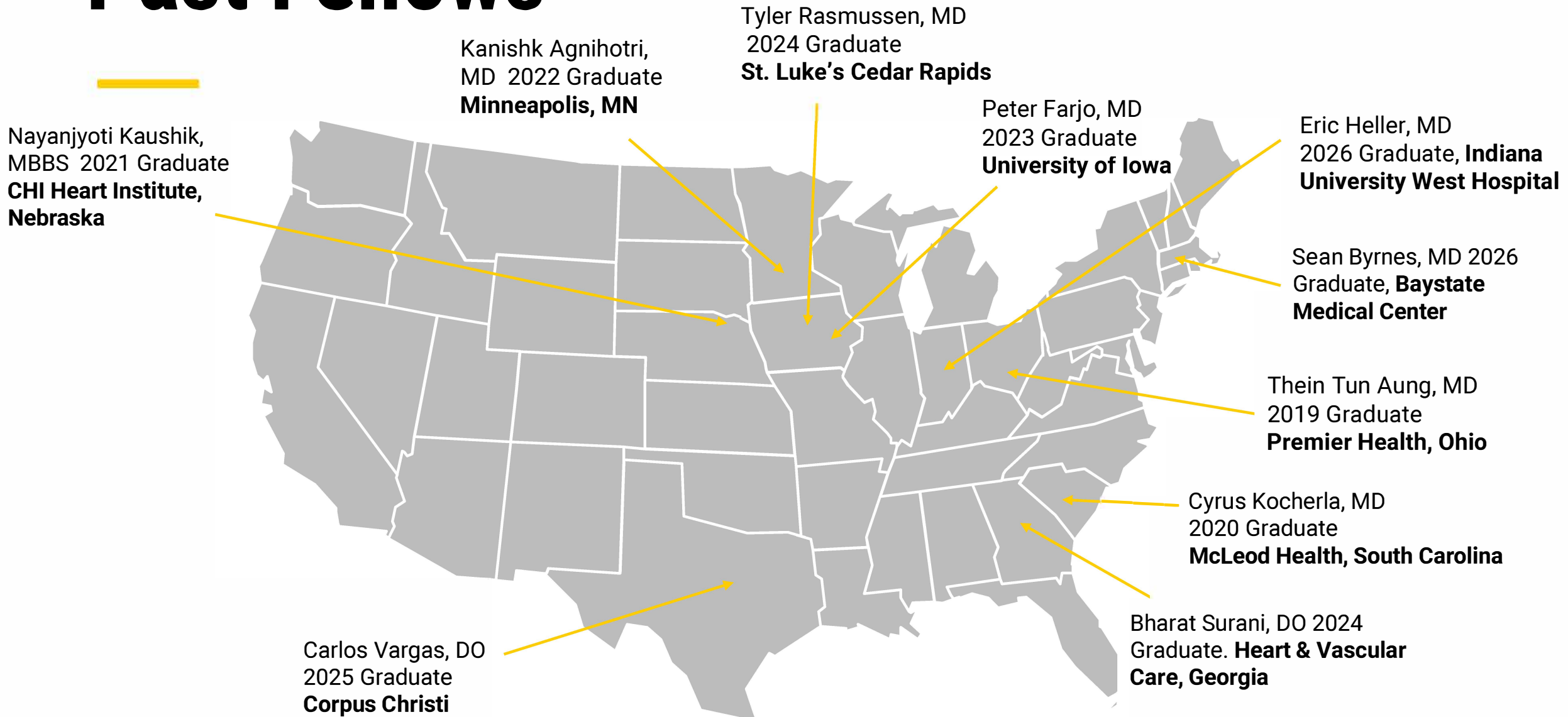
7/1/2023-6/30/2025

Procedure:	Performed:
Ablation accessory pathway	12
Ablation atrial fibrillation	237
Ablation atrial flutter	159
Ablation atrial tachycardia	15
Ablation AV node	22
Ablation AVNRT	53
ablation of single atrial focus	11
Ablation PVC	102
Ablation SVT	8
Ablation ventricular tachycardia	22
Atrial leadless pacemaker	5
CRT upgrades	18
EP studies only	12
Experimental device implant, revision/generator change	42
Generator replacements	23
ICD upgrades	3
Lead revisions	17
Leads/device extractions	42
Loop recorder implants	3
MICRA - Leadless Pacemaker	16
New CRT D implant	43
New CRT pacemaker implant	28
New ICD Implant	48
New pacemaker implant	115
Pacemaker upgrades	3
Stimulation after drug infusion	2
Subcutaneous ICD implant	6
Ventricular leadless pacemaker	4
Watchman Implant	16
Other Procedures (typed in)	1
Total:	1088

Niche Procedures

- **Alcohol ablation**- VOM, summit PVCs, VT substrate modification
- **Advanced tools for lead extraction**- penumbra, angiovac, lithotripsy
- EVICD
- Leadless pacemakers
- Phrenic nerve stimulators
- Cardio-neural ablation
- Convergent atrial fibrillation ablation

Past Fellows



Notable EP Fellows and Faculty from Iowa

Ben Schlomo- Founder-
Biosense Webster

Steven Mickelsen-
Founder- Farapulse
technology and
Atraverse Hotwire
transseptal

Rakesh Gopinathannair-
Board member, HRS

Kalyanam Shivkumar-
Editor in chief, JACC
EP, Keynote speaker
2023 HRS, author- Atlas
of Cardiac Anatomy

Brian Olshansky

Research

- **Publications:** 38 peer-reviewed articles
- **Manuscripts:** 4 publications
- **Ongoing Research:** 15 active projects in collaboration with residents and fellows
- **Departmental Studies:** Involved in 7 ongoing departmental research initiatives
 - **Follow-Up Studies:** 2 projects currently in the follow-up and data analysis phase

Living in Iowa City

- Population 75, 678 (2023)
 - Metro area 171, 491
 - UI Students total 32,199
- Iowa City is a designated Bicycle Friendly Community
- Consistently ranked as a top place to live (Livability, Conde Nast Traveler, USA Today)
 - Noted for offering a low cost of living, excellent healthcare, high quality education, and for being walkable and bike-friendly, especially downtown
- University of Iowa and Iowa Health Care are top 2 employers
 - School district and VA Health Administration are 3 and 4

Living in Iowa City

- Iowa City Area Schools

- City High, Liberty High, and West High are ranked **in the top 10 high schools** in Iowa by the U.S. News and World Report.
- Full-day and half-day preschool programs in all of our elementary schools. Every preschool teacher is certified in both general and special education, ensuring comprehensive support for all students.
- Regina Catholic Education Center is also a highly rated private school in the Iowa City area serving over 900 students throughout the 14 grades.
 - Additional private schools include other religious, Montessori and arts-focused options

- Cost of Living is 7.4% below national average

- Housing costs are 21.2% below national average

- Community is highly educated

- 58% of adult population hold a bachelor's degree or higher (national average 38%)

Living In Iowa City

Helpful links from the Iowa Health Care

[Entertainment, culture, and dining](#)

[Housing in Iowa City](#)

[Staying active in Iowa City](#)

[Hospital Campus \(map\)](#)

Iowa City Fun Facts

- Iowa City is one of 2 United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Cities of Literature in the US and was the 3rd city worldwide to receive the designation.
- Iowa City was the original capital city of the State of Iowa; the Old Capitol is a National Historic Landmark and remains a prominent feature in the University of Iowa Pentacrest
- The University of Iowa was the first public university in the US to admit men and women on an equal basis.
- Over 9,000 people walk through the downtown Iowa City pedestrian mall daily
- UI Writers Workshop is the oldest writing program offering a Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree in the US; 30 alumni and former faculty have won Pulitzer's and 10 have been US Poets Laureate.
- The Devonian Fossil Gorge at Coralville Lake provides a glimpse into Iowa's geologic past and is like walking across a 375-million-year-old ocean floor; the fossils in the gorge are almost 200 million years older than the dinosaurs.

Iowa Fun Facts

- Iowa has more golf courses per capita, than any other state.
- Iowa has over 100 wineries that produce about 40 varieties of wine. Wine tourism attracts more than 400,000 visitors every year.
- RAGBRAI, the longest, largest, and oldest recreational bicycle touring event in the world, has been held in Iowa annually since 1973.
- Iowa is the only state bordered by two navigable rivers: the Missouri River to the west and the Mississippi River to the east.
- Le Mars, Iowa, known for its Blue Bunny Ice Cream, is officially the Ice Cream Capital of the World.
- Iowa is home to 150 breweries, with five located in the Corridor.

Questions?

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