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The entrance to the Hospital for Special Surgery is located between York Avenue and FDR Drive. Enter at the main doors and proceed straight ahead to the elevators. Take elevator to the second floor. The auditorium is across from the elevators.

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Robert Spiera, MD

“PARTICIPATING IN RESEARCH—HOW IT WORKS & WHAT IS OUT THERE”

Dr. Spiera specializes in the treatment of various rheumatologic conditions including Scleroderma, Vasculitis, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Wegener’s Granulomatosis, Rheumatoid Arthritis, and many others. He received his medical degree from Yale University School of Medicine. Dr. Spiera was a resident in Internal Medicine at the NY Hospital and his fellowship was in Rheumatology performed at the Hospital for Special Surgery.

Dr. Spiera is the principal investigator in several clinical trials and observational studies at the Hospital for Special Surgery. Dr. Spiera is a Fellow of the American College of Rheumatology and the American College of Physicians. He has authored numerous publications relating to his areas of expertise. Dr. Spiera has received a number of awards in his career including the Teacher of the Year Award, Globus Award and the Founders Award for Clinical Investigation from the Scleroderma Foundation. He is a member of both the National Scleroderma Foundation Medical Advisory Board (MAB) and serves as co-chair of the Tri-State Chapter MAB.

Dr. Spiera is a practicing physician at the Hospital for Special Surgery and is part of a private practice, Rheumatology Associates, NY, NY. Dr. Spiera is also a Professor of Clinical Medicine at Weill Cornell Medical College.

Maureen D. Mayes, M.D., M.P.H.

“UPDATE ON SCLERODERMA RESEARCH—SEARCHING FOR THE CAUSE AND CURE”

Dr. Mayes graduated from Eastern Virginia Medical School and was trained in Internal Medicine and Rheumatology at the Cleveland Clinic. She was trained in Epidemiology at the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She came from Wayne State University in Detroit where she was Professor of Medicine, to join the UT faculty in 2002 and subsequently established the Scleroderma Clinic. Dr. Mayes is the recipient of many distinctions, awards and grants for the study and treatment of scleroderma. She is the author of 119 published manuscripts, 19 reviews, 6 book chapters and 1 full length book. Her clinical interests include the treatment of scleroderma and its multiple complications. She participates in several multicenter, national trials of new agents for this disease. Her research interests include the identification of susceptibility genes and disease activity genes in scleroderma and related autoimmune diseases. She has been named as a “Super Doc” by Texas Monthly magazine and “Best Doctors in America” since 2008. She is currently the Principal Investigator of the NIH/NIAMS funded Genome-Wide Association Study in Systemic Sclerosis, that has the objective of identifying genes that influence disease susceptibility and severity; and PI of the Scleroderma Family Registry and DNA Repository which serves as a national resource to supply genetic material to other investigators to study this disease.

Dr. Mayes is the current Director of the Centers of Research Translation in Scleroderma one of the longest continually funded research center of its kind in the US.

Heidi Jacobe, MD

“PHOTOTHERAPY AND UVA 1 PHOTOTHERAPY RESEARCH”

Dr. Jacobe earned her medical degree from the Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas. She joined the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, Texas in 2002 as a faculty member in the Department of Dermatology after completing her residency there and serving as chief resident. She graduated from the UT Southwestern Medical Center Clinical Research Scholars program in May 2008 with a Masters of Clinical Science with Distinction. Since then, she has focused the majority of her clinical and research efforts to localized scleroderma or morphea.

She established a national morphea registry and DNA repository which currently holds 500 patients (Morphea in Adults and Children Cohort [MAC]). Extensive analyses of these patients are underway including: descriptive studies of demographics, clinical, and quality of life data; immunogenetic studies; autoantibody profiling; and pilot microarray studies. Together, these studies will ultimately improve care for these patients by providing data driven therapeutic guidelines, outcome measures, and possibly biomarkers, as well as insight into the molecular basis of morphea. The conduct of these studies along with the resources of MAC cohort have created a unique platform enabling her to leverage these resources for further studies examining the pathogenesis of morphea.