

**STASHA B. NOVAKOVIC**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Biographical Data**

Date of Birth: June 25, 1981

Place of Birth: Belgrade, Serbia

Citizenship: US

Marital Status: Married

**Current Employment**

Sep 2022 - Present

**Miami VA Medical Center. Miami, FL**

Full time Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician

Chair, CPR Committee

Co-Director, Lung Cancer Screening Program

Director, Incidental Pulmonary Nodule Program

Oct 2020 - Present

**I.A. Feingold, M.D., Medical Legal Consultations, Inc.**

Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, Critical Care Consultant

Nov 2016 - Present

**Baptist Health Electronic ICU. Miami, FL**

Critical Care Consultant

**Previous Employment**

Jul 2014 - Sep 2022

WPB VA Medical Center. Riviera Beach, FL

Full time Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician

Chair, CPR Committee

Jul 2015 - Nov 2016

Holy Cross Hospital. Fort Lauderdale, FL

Critical Care Consultant

**Medical Training**

Jul 2011 - Jun 2014

Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, FL

Pulmonary and Critical Care Fellowship

Jul 2008 - Jun 2011

Shands at University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Internal Medicine Residency

**Education**

Aug 2004 - May 2008

St. George's University School of Medicine, Grenada, West Indies (M.D.)

Sep 1999 - Jun 2003

Tulane University, New Orleans, LA (Dual B.S., Neuroscience & Psych.)

**Licensure and Certification**

Medical License

October 2021

November 2023

October 2024

State of Florida

Internal Medicine

Pulmonary Medicine

Critical Care Medicine

ME 117786

Recertified

Recertified

Recertified

**Clinical Experience**

Sep 2022 - Present

**Lung Cancer Screening. Co-Director** since Dec 2023. Supervisory role in Miami VA's initiative to screen veterans for lung cancer using low dose CT scans. Developed an initiative involving screening and early diagnosis of lung cancer in high-risk patients resulting in the Incidental Pulmonary Nodule Program.

Nov 2023 - Present

**Interdepartmental Pathology Conference.** Organizer and co-moderator, along with the Chief of Pathology at the Miami VA, of a monthly conference that examines histologic specimens from thoracic biopsies. Serves both as a diagnostical review for patient care as well as education for the medical and pulmonary trainees.

Feb 2020 - Sep 2022  
Jan 2023 - Present

**CPR Committee, Chair.** Responsible for review, oversight and execution of protocols related to cardiopulmonary resuscitation as well as leading the monthly multidisciplinary meeting previously at the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center and currently at the Miami VA Medical Center.

Jul 2014 - Sep 2022

**Advanced Bronchoscopy.** Performed basic and advanced flexible bronchoscopy including electromagnetic navigational bronchoscopy (ENB), endobronchial ultrasound (EBUS) and radial probe ultrasound.

Jul 2014 - Sep 2022

**ICU Lecture Series.** Organized curriculum for presentation of major critical care topics for medical residents and students rotating in the ICU.

Aug 2014 - Dec 2014

**Pulmonary Function Testing.** Responsible for quality improvement of the PFTs at the WPB VA. Revised and enhanced test report template, streamlined order menu and updated role of respiratory technicians.

Jul 2011 - July 2017

**Pulmonary Rehabilitation.** Multiple rotations serving the program at the Miami VA Med. Center. Subsequently responsible for oversight, management & improvement of Pulmonary Rehab at the WPB VA.

### Clinical Trials in Lung Cancer

Nov 2023 - present

**Co-Principal Investigator.** Veterans Affairs Lung Cancer Surgery or Stereotactic Radiotherapy (VALOR). Multi-center phase III randomized trial investigating the difference in survival rates for newly diagnosed stage I non small cell lung cancer patients treated with surgery or stereotactic body radiation therapy. Patient enrollment in progress.

Dec 2022 - present

**Investigator.** Real World Evidence for Learnings in Early Cancer Detection, a Clinical Practice Learning Program for Galleri (GRAIL). Multi-center prospective cohort study for a blood-based early detection test sequencing cell-free nucleic acids (cfNA) in patients at high-risk for lung cancer. Patient enrollment in progress.

Dec 2022 - present

**Investigator.** Clinical Utility of Management of Patients with CT and LDCT Identified Pulmonary Nodules Using the Percepta Nasal Swab Classifier (Nightingale). Randomized prospective observational study investigating the clinical utility of a nasal swab to detect lung cancer in patients with a new lung nodule and a smoking history. Patient enrollment in progress.

### Administrative Experience

Sep 2011 - May 2014

**Chief Fellow.** Sole supervisor during all three years of training for 18 fellows in Florida's largest Pulmonary/ICU program at the time. Planned the academic curriculum and scheduled all rotations, outpatient clinics, journal clubs and grand rounds. Scheduled didactic lectures and organized board review. Member of Pulmonary Fellowship Selection Committee and Graduate Program Evaluation Committee.

### Publications

**Roggli VL, Novakovic S, Ghio AJ, Li H, Pina-Oviedo S, Carney JM, Sporn TA, Glass CH, Pavlisko EN.** Recent trends in the causation of peritoneal mesothelioma: fiber burden analysis of ten cases. *Ultrastructural Pathology*. 2025 Mar 29:1-8.

**Campos M, Novakovic S: Pulmonary Disease.**

Book chapter in Hooton T, Cardenas D: *Medical Complications in Inpatient Rehabilitation*. Published June 2014.

**Novakovic S, Scialla T: Challenges in Diagnosing and Treating Dabigatran Toxicity.** Abstract. *Critical Care Medicine* 2012; 40:12:328.

**Gilbert L, Puri A, Novakovic S, Shuster J, Brantly M, Berry R, McCrae C, Schreck P, Chang R.** Evaluation Of Sleep Disorders In Patients With Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency. *LABORATORY AND*

MANAGEMENT ISSUES FOR SLEEP DISORDERS 2011 May (pp. A2233-A2233). American Thoracic Society.

**Kulkarni V, Novakovic S, Fernandez-Bussy S, Jantz M: Tracheal Stenosis Management Using CRE Balloon Catheter Dilation via Flexible Bronchoscopy.** Poster. Chest 2009; 136-4:795.

### Teaching Experience

Sep 2022 - Present

**Miami VA Pulmonary/Critical Care Fellowship and Internal Medicine Residency Program.** Didactics in the pulmonary clinic and ICU for medical residents and PCCM fellows. Provided lectures on Thoracic Pathology (09/13/2024) and Pulmonary Board Review (10/07/2024).

Jul 2014 - Sep 2022

**FIU Internal Medicine Residency Program.** Didactics in the medical ICU for medical residents. Also lectured on the topics of Occupational Lung Disease (11/08/2022) and Thoracic Pathology (06/06/2024).

Jul 2015 - Nov 2016

**WPB VA Internal Medicine Residency Program.** Didactics in the intensive care unit for housestaff. Over 20 lectures given on topics including acid/base status, shock, sepsis, asthma, COPD, pulmonary HTN, ABG interpretation, ventilator management and respiratory failure.

**Holy Cross Internal Medicine Residency Program.** Responsible for providing didactics in the intensive care unit for housestaff.

### International Experience

Dec 2013

**Port Au Prince, Haiti.** Worked for a week as the most senior pulmonologist and intensivist at a critical care/trauma hospital in Haiti. Assisted with procedures in the ER and with anesthesia in the OR.

Mar 2012 - Jun 2014

**Little Havana, Miami.** Assistant instructor at a Spanish-speaking boxing gym in Miami. On-site medic for international martial arts tournaments.

Apr 2011

**Vera Cruz, Mexico.** Two week service in inpatient/outpatient pulmonology and ICU in three major hospitals in Vera Cruz. Provided daily care in a county TB clinic. Participated in surgical procedures.

Sep 2004 - Dec 2005

**Grenada, West Indies.** Organized numerous health fairs providing free adult and pediatric services. Operated a hydraulic truck and constructed temporary shelters in a humanitarian effort following Hurricane Ivan.

### Languages

English, Serbian, Croatian, Bosnian, Montenegrin - Fluent  
Spanish - Professional working proficiency