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Michelle Gong MD has directed the Division of Critical Care Medicine in the Department of Medicine as Director of Research since coming to us from Mt. Sinai M in 2009.

Chandan Guha MD, PhD is Professor and Vice Chair of Radiation Oncology. His research includes: irradiation to facilitate liver cell repopulation and stem cell engraftment, radiation- or ultrasound-enhancement of tumor vaccines, and the development of novel radio-sensitizers.

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Dr. Chandan Guha has been awarded an $11 million, 5-year NIH program grant to explore stem cell-based therapies for mitigation of acute radiation syndromes. The projects funded are part of NIAID’s funding for bioterrorism-related scientific work, and will also dovetail with the ICTR’s Novel Methodology focus on the application of stem cell biology to translational and clinical research.

Dr. Michelle Gong’s research interest is in risk prognostication and outcomes studies of critical illnesses such as sepsis and acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). Her R01 is focused on the role of early insulin therapy to modulate lung injury in sepsis. She also has an interest in understanding the ethical issues surrounding critical care research. Her other NIH grant concerns the special case of surrogate consents for research in incapacitated, critically ill patients.

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