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## In Person Lecture: The Joys of Being a Clinician Researcher

After 3 decades as a neonatologist I am pleased to report that I still love my job, and I think this is in large part because I followed the path of becoming a "Clinician-Researcher". I always wanted to be a doctor, but only discovered the joys of research during medical school when I did a solid year of bench research which was required at Duke at the time. I still never imagined I'd do research for a living, but kept an open mind through residency and fellowship. Thanks to some fantastic mentors I ended up doing 16 years of bench research. The term "bench to bedside" truly applied, as I went, sometimes daily, from my lab where I was studying effects of hypothermia in mice and cells, to the Neonatal ICU, where we were cooling babies for neuroprotection. I transitioned from bench to clinical research about a decade ago and currently have several areas of investigation including delivery room resuscitation, apnea of prematurity, and vital sign-based predictive analytics. In this seminar I will discuss my unconventional research path and hope to convince the students that research is not only important but can also be fun.

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