

# Clinical Trials Methodology Course

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## Faculty Bios



### Harold Adams, MD

Harold Adams, Jr., MD is a professor of neurology in the Carver College of Medicine at the University of Iowa. He has been active in patient care and clinical research that has focused on the diagnosis and treatment of vascular diseases of the brain. Dr. Adams was one of the developers of the NIH stroke scale and the leader in the development of the TOAST classification; two important advances in stroke research and patient care. His scholarly activities have resulted in approximately 500 publications. He initiated the writing of guidelines for the treatment of stroke and has served as chair of the Stroke Council of the American Heart Association and chair of the advisory committee of the American Stroke Association. In addition, Dr. Adams was a director of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and led efforts in creating the sub-specialty of vascular neurology. Dr. Adams continues to be an active teacher to students, residents, and practitioners. He is very proud of receiving the teacher of the year award from the medical students on 14 occasions. [harold-adams@uiowa.edu](mailto:harold-adams@uiowa.edu)



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Dr. Augustine specializes in the care of children with movement disorders. Her clinical research program focuses on advancing therapeutic development for rare pediatric neurological disorders, with emphasis on comprehensive clinical phenotyping and trial design. Dr. Augustine leads clinical programs developing novel therapeutics for the neuronal ceroid lipofuscinoses (Batten diseases), a group of rare pediatric neurodegenerative disorders. [Erika.Augustine@URMC.Rochester.edu](mailto:Erika.Augustine@URMC.Rochester.edu)



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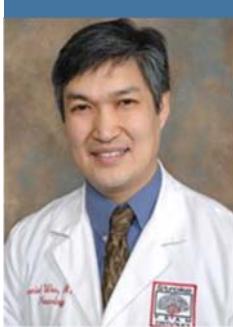
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