

University of California San Diego Regional Anesthesia Fellowship Program

- Edward R. Mariano, MD (Fellowship Director)
- Brian M. Ilfeld, MD, MS (Fellowship co-Director, Clinical Research)
- Tony L. Yaksh, PhD (Fellowship co-Director, Laboratory Research)

Additional Key Faculty: Navparkash Sandhu, MD; Rick Bellars, MD; Vanessa Loland, MD; and Mark Wallace, MD

Positions: 2 annually

One-Year Fellowship: Clinical and didactic training in regional anesthesia and analgesia.

Two-Year Fellowship: In addition to clinical and didactic training in regional anesthesia, fellows will participate in the NIH-sponsored K30 program and graduate with a Master of Science degree in Clinical Investigation. Fellows will also have an opportunity to perform clinical and laboratory research under the mentorship of Brian Ilfeld, MD, MS, and Tony Yaksh, PhD, as well as initiate pilot studies for an NIH grant via the K08 or K23 Career Development Award mechanism. The two-year fellowship will prepare graduates for an academic career practicing/teaching regional anesthesia as well as designing and implementing extramurally-funded, high-quality clinical and/or laboratory research related to regional anesthesia.

Fellowship Structure: Fellows evaluate patients, place regional blocks in a regional anesthesia induction area and follow patients postoperatively. Fellows spend one day per week in the OR either supervising residents or providing direct patient care (all involving regional techniques). All other clinical time is spent directly administering or supervising residents administering regional blocks or with the Acute Pain Service. Nonclinical time depends on the amount of research experience desired, and ranges from 1 to 3 days/week. The fellowship structure is very flexible, with time allocated to the inpatient and ambulatory center block rooms, Acute Pain Service, OR, and nonclinical pursuits, depending upon the level of interest in each area. One to three weeks are spent in the anatomy lab early in the fellowship to gain a strong anatomical basis for regional procedures. Fellows also have the option of gaining training in related chronic pain diagnosis and treatment/procedures (e.g. fluoroscopic guidance techniques) from Mark Wallace, MD.

Salary, Year 1: approximately \$ 50,000

Salary, Year 2: approximately \$ 151,000 plus call and clinical incentives (~\$40,000)

Applications (due by Sept. 7, 2007): Please submit CV, 2 letters of evaluation (program director and preferably mentor), and personal statement outlining interest in fellowship (600-word maximum).

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