Elena Ambrogini, M.D., Ph.D., Named Director of UAMS Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism

LITTLE ROCK — Elena Ambrogini, M.D., Ph.D., has been named director of the Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS).

Ambrogini is an associate professor in the division, which is part of the UAMS College of Medicine’s Department of Internal Medicine.

She has been at UAMS in various roles since 2007, starting out as a post-doctoral research fellow, before becoming an Internal Medicine resident, then a fellow in endocrinology and metabolism and, beginning in 2015, an assistant professor. Before coming to UAMS, she completed medical school and a residency in endocrinology and metabolism in Italy.

She is also a staff endocrinologist at the Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System.

“Dr. Ambrogini has a stellar reputation as a dedicated physician-scientist and endocrinologist. She is also known for her compassion and her very thorough patient-centered care,” said Edward Yeh, M.D., chair of the Department of Internal Medicine and holder of the Nolan Family Distinguished Chair in Internal Medicine. “We are proud to have her at the helm of this important division.”

Ambrogini is replacing Stavros Manolagas, M.D., a distinguished professor in the department who remains director of the Center for Osteoporosis and Bone Research.

UAMS is the state’s only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that
encompasses all of UAMS’ clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* recognized UAMS Medical Center as a Best Hospital for 2021-22; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide for the third year; and named five areas as high performing — colon cancer surgery, diabetes, hip replacement, knee replacement and stroke. *Forbes* magazine ranked UAMS as seventh in the nation on its Best Employers for Diversity list. UAMS also ranked in the top 30% nationwide on *Forbes*’ Best Employers for Women list and was the only Arkansas employer included. UAMS has 2,876 students, 898 medical residents and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit [www.uams.edu](http://www.uams.edu) or [www.uamshealth.com](http://www.uamshealth.com). Find us on [Facebook](https), [Twitter](https), [YouTube](https) or [Instagram](https).

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