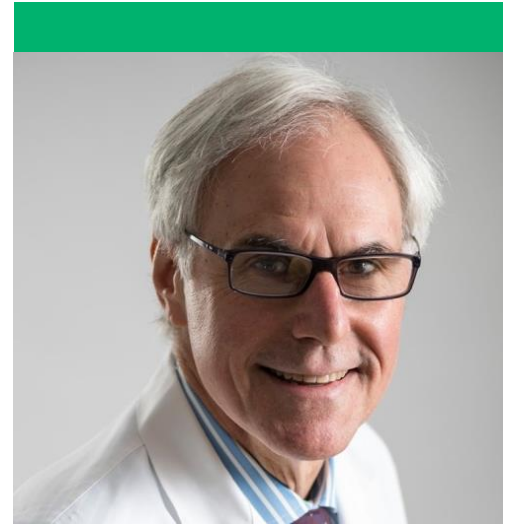


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The Lester and Muriel Anixter Professor of  
Nephrology

### Advancement of Medicine

My research focuses on percutaneous kidney biopsy and management and treatment of glomerular/kidney diseases.



The kidney biopsy was developed at Rush by my predecessor, **Robert Kark, MD**, in the 1950s. It opened the door to the field of nephropathology. This allowed the accurate diagnosis and treatment of kidney diseases. The procedure has been credited as one of several reasons the nephrology subspecialty came to be.

I have had several projects related to a kidney biopsy and glomerular/kidney disease. I continue to co-author a section on renal biopsy entitled “Indications and Complications of Renal Biopsy” in the online publication *Up To Date*, an internationally used resource. I have co-authored this chapter since 2009.

I am currently preparing a manuscript that looks at the experience of performing kidney biopsies at Rush over the past 40 years. This project was presented as a poster presentation at the American Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting.

I am also involved with a multicenter project that looks at the effect of gender on the outcome of lupus nephritis (one of the most severe forms of kidney disease). This manuscript has been completed and submitted to a prominent peer-reviewed journal.

I have supervised a Rush resident (soon to be a nephrology fellow at Rush) in a research project pertaining to the presentation and outcome of a patient with an unusual form of hereditary kidney disease. The project was accepted as a poster presentation at the American Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting and was published in a peer-reviewed journal in 2025.



I continue to serve on the Data Safety Monitoring Board for the National Institutes of Health-supported NEPTUNE trial, a multicenter, national study examining the causes and treatment of several kidney disorders. The study looks to develop not only further insight into the mechanisms of these kidney diseases but also further insight into potential treatments. I am also a member of the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois' professional advisory board executive committee.

I remain a Rush Medical College Alumni Association Executive Council member and now serve as the president. The Alumni Association looks at ways to support our medical students, including through financial support from scholarships and events such as class reunions. I also serve as a member of the RUSH Campaign Subcommittee.

I continue to be listed in Castle Connolly's 2025 Top Doctors and the 2025 *Chicago Magazine* Top Doctors (Nephrology).

I remain actively involved in teaching and lecturing to Rush medical students, physician assistant students, internal medicine residents and nephrology fellows.

## With Gratitude

The funds provided through the Lester and Muriel Anixter Professorship make it possible for me to do the research and academic endeavors noted above. Additionally, they allow me the opportunity to mentor and support the academic careers of several junior faculty members in my section. This is critical in helping to develop the next generation of academic nephrologists at Rush.

In closing, I cannot begin to thank the Anixter family enough for the support their professorship has provided me over the past 21 years. The funds have been instrumental in fostering my career and helping me to foster the careers of my younger colleagues. My heartfelt thanks and deepest gratitude for all the Anixter family has done!