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Professor Mona Bafadhel, is the Chair of Respiratory Medicine at King's College London (KCL) and works in the School of Immunology and Microbial Sciences, within the Faculty of Life Sciences and Medicine. Mona is also the Director of the new King's Centre for Lung Health and the Professor of Asthma+Lung UK. In 2012, Mona was awarded her PhD in 'Biomarkers of exacerbations of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)'. Mona is a clinical academic researcher and consultant respiratory physician and was awarded an NIHR postdoctoral fellowship between 2014-2018, which she held at the University of Oxford. In 2019, Mona was awarded the prestigious Gaulstonian Lectureship from the Royal College of Physicians, London. She is the 4th woman and 1st woman from an ethnic minority in the awards 350-year-old history to have received this for excellence in the Clinical Sciences. Mona has research interests in the field of Airways Disease, particularly the investigation of the mechanisms underlying exacerbations of COPD. This has led to studying the role of the eosinophil in COPD, using statistical approaches to define particular sub-groups and to the delivery of novel therapeutic strategies to patients, working across the translational spectrum. Her work on the peripheral blood eosinophil in COPD has influenced international guidance and is now routinely used managing patients with COPD.