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Saravanan Bala, MD, is a vascular access specialist board certified in internal medicine, with specialty certification in clinical hypertension and interventional nephrology. His practice specializes in the treatment of a broad spectrum of dialysis access and venous disorders such peripheral artery disease and varicose veins.

Dr Bala received his Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery from the Madras Medical College and Research Institute in Chennai, India, and completed his internal medicine residency and served as chief resident at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine, Chicago, IL. He completed his fellowship and served as chief nephrology fellow at Tulane University Medical Center, New Orleans, LA, where he also was trained in interventional nephrology. He joined Tarrant Vascular Clinic in 2014.

An active researcher, Dr Bala has participated in more than 20 clinical trials or studies. He has authored or co-authored more than 25 articles and abstracts in peer-reviewed medical journals and has been an invited lecturer at several national and international medical conferences. Dr.Bala is a member of the research committee of the American Society of Diagnostic and Interventional Nephrology.

Dr Bala enjoys teaching and has held academic positions as Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine, Division of Nephrology, Tucson, and Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine at the University of North Texas, Fort Worth. He provides peer-to-peer dialysis access training for qualified physicians and didactic training to the fellows-in-training on the core concepts in interventional nephrology and internal medicine.

A fellow of the American Society of Nephrology, Dr Bala is also an member of the American Society of Interventional Nephrology. He is an ad-hoc reviewer for several medical journals, including *Lancet*, *American Journal of Cardiology*, *American Journal of Nephrology*, and *American Journal of Medical Sciences*.

Outside of his work, Dr Bala enjoys river rafting, tennis and spending time with his family.