Department of Medicine

March-April 2019 Newsletter

National Hospitalist Day—March 7, 2019





The Section of Hospital Medicine Awarded 3 Residents for their outstanding Performance in Hospital Medicine. Julie Pillittere, Catherine White and Bishal Gyawali.







Dr. Amit Dhamoon accepting the Medical Alumni Association Clinical Faculty Teaching Award and Dr. Sriram Narsipur accepting the Medical Alumni Association Clinical Department Teaching Award for Internal Medicine Department at the Match Day Program on Friday, March 15th, 2019.



On Wednesday March 20, 2019 Drs. Stephen Graziano and Amit Dhamoon received the 2019 Gold Standard Award at the 12th Annual Celebration of the Faculty.







Dr. Perl received the Dean's Award for Scientific Excellence. Dr. Perl was the *only* Clinical Faculty member to receive that award this year!

Dr. Michael Kuhn has been chosen to receive the Alpha Omega Alpha Gamma Chapter Excellence in Teaching Award





Internal Medicine Residents Drs. Lauren Beck, Fidel Martinez and Ester Sherman received awards for Doctors Day on March 30, 2019.





NEPAL HEALTH FORUM HELD AT UPSTATE

Syracuse Nepal Samaj (Community) at Upstate University Hospital organized and Interactive forum titled 'Promoting health and humanitarian initiatives in Rural Nepal' on March 23rd 2019 held in the New Academic Building. The program began with felicitation of Dr. Luna Bhatta, Dr. David Lehmann, Dr. Hom Neupane and Dr. Donald Blair for their excellent contribution in health care to the people of Nepal. The program was hosted by Dr. Aara Poudel, Oncologist at Syracuse VA hospital. More than 70 attendees participated in the program, including many distinguished faculty from Upstate. Invited guests from 'Health Foundation Nepal', Dr. Ashok Devkota, faculty member of Brown University and Dr. Shreedhar Paudel, faculty member of Harvard University, presented various charitable health initiatives. Medicine, Chief Resident, Dr. Rogin Subedi, highlighted the symbolic connection between Nepalese providers and Upstate University Hospital. Hospitalist, Dr. Dinesh Subedi, shared his experience in post-earthquake and rebuilding Nepal. The program proved to be an interactive session for all. Dr. Mantosh Dewan, Interim President of Upstate, closed the program with constructive and inspiring remarks.



March 29, 2019

Dear Rogin,

Thank you for choosing Francis House to receive donations in celebration of your SUNY Upstate Cultural Show. We were grateful to receive 34 gifts totaling \$2,010.

We received a letter that read, "our entire family remains very grateful for the truly wonderful, thoughtful, loving support and care my dunt received during her time at Francis House. Each and every one did their very best for her and our family in 20 many ways during those difficult weeks. I never imagined that her final days could be so calm and peaceful."

This thank you extends to all of you because your gifts enable us to open our doors to the people who need us most. You are part of our extended Francis House family. On behalf of our residents, volunteers and staff, thank you for caring!

Gratefully,

Nancy Light Executive Director Beth Lynn Hoey Director of Development Letter from Francis House regarding the donations received from Upstate's Cultural Event in February

The following Faculty members have been nominated to participate in the newly created Upstate College of Medicine Scholars program:

- Alina Basnet, MD, Medicine, Hem/Onc
- Ramya Bhargava, PhD, MBBS, Medicine, Neph.
- Debanik Chaudhuri, MD, Medicine, Cardiology
- Amishi Desai, MD, Medicine, Hem/Onc
- Amit Dhamoon, MD, PhD, Medicine
- Anil Ghimire, MD, Medicine Pul/CC
- Markus Gutsche, MD, Medicine, Pul/CC
- Savio John, MD, Medicine, GI
- Ahmed Shawkat, MD, Medicine, Pul/CC
- Avneet Singh, MD, Medicine, Cardiology
- Abirami Sivapiragasam, MD, Medicine, Hem/Onc
- Julie Yu, MD, Medicine, Rheumatology

Congratulations to all!

Publications

Abdullah Ladha, Jerffrey Pu. Mantle cell lymphoma and its management: where are we now?, published in Experimental Hematology & Oncology, 2019.

Jeffrey Pu. Ruxolitinib Maintenance Post Myelofibrosis Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplant, presented at American Society of Bone Marrow and Blood/TCT annual meeting, 2019.

Jeffrey Pu. Ping Suppressesses CIN and Leukemia Progression via regulation of the Spindle Assembly Checkpoint, presented at American Society of Hematology, 2018.

Jeffrey Pu, Shasha Lu, Matthew Nemesure, . PIG-a Gene Expression Deficiency Associate with Reduced DNA Damage Checkpoint Response and Activation, presented at American Society of Hematology, 2018.

Smulyan H, Villarreal D. The Birth of Angiotensin: An International Compromise, published in Am J Med Science, March 2019.

Ramakrishna KN, Virk J, Gambhir HS. Albuterol-Induced Lactic Acidosis, published in Am J Ther, Jan 2019.

- Hina Amin, Harvir Gambhir. Hashimoto's Encephalopathy: An underreported syndrome, presented at ENDO, New Orleans, LA, March 23-26, 2019.
- Sarwat Askari, Sinhuri Gayam, Megha Dogra, Subrat Khanal, Russell Acevedo. Phenytoin induced cardiac arrest, presented at NYSTS, NY, NY, March 28-29, 2019.
- **Sindhuri Gayam**, Michelle Bernshteyn, Michael Williams, Bhaskara Madhira, Paul Shanley, Chaitanya Chandravanka. A rare case of Sarcoidosis presenting as anemia and acute renal failure, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Ivayla Geneva, Brian Cuzzo, Tasadaq Fazilli, Waleed Javaid. Temperature in the hospitalized patient, presented at ASCI/AAP/APSA Joint Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 5-11, 2019.
- **Pranita Ghimire**, Zachary Shepherd. A constellation in the Castle: Castleman's disease, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- **Pranita Ghimire**, Zachary Shepherd. Reversal of nonischemic cardiomyopathy seen as a complication of rapid ascent during scuba diving, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Marek Gruca, Subrat Khanal, Cindy Su, Dinesh John, Joan Mitchell, Ryan Reed. Improving hand hygiene compliance with simple interventions, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 6, 2019.
- **Abtin Jafroodifar**, Cara Boothroyd, Brian Changlai. Don't be fooled: A case of Sarcoidosis without expected imaging findings, presented at AMSA, Washington, DC, March 7-10, 2019.
- Sara Khalil, Vikrant Tambe, Umair Masood. A rare case of Mauriac Syndrome, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- **Subrat Khanal**, Anil Ghimire. Suspect the unexpected: Methemoglobinemia, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Arshia Khorasani-zadeh, Sumendra Joshi. Glenn physiology and hemodynamics: A review of hemodynamic and ventilator management in an adult patient with pulmonary atresia with intact ventricular septum post right ventricular outflow tract repair with homograft conduit and 1.5 ventricular repair, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-17, 2019.
- **Divya Kondapi**, Danny Markabawi, Vikrant Tambe, Mili Shah, Debank Chaudhuri. Pericardial tamponade due to purulent bacterial pericarditis with thoracic empyema and MSSA bacteremia, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.

- Jessica Lucier, Caitlin Toomey. Streptococcal Bacteremia and the Flu: A deadly combination, presented at NYSTS, NY, NY, March 28-29, 2019.
- **Danny Markabawi**, Indrit Greca, Andrew Chu, Haris Modeen. A rare case of late onset systemic lupus erythematosus presenting with laryngitis and nephritis, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Fidel Martinez, Venkata Jasti, Dinesh John, Joan Mitchell, Ryan Reed. Decreasing STAT EKGs: A quality improvement project focused on timeliness, efficiency, and patient care, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Research Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 6, 2019.
- **Eposi Mbame**, Venkata Jasti, Dinesh John, Joan Mitchell, Ryan Reed. Appropriate triage on Hospital admission, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 6, 2019.
- **Olatunde Oluwanteniola**, Vikrant Tambe, Adithya Kattamanchi, Venkata Jasti. Clinical response of hepatopulmonary syndrome to transjugularintrahepatic portosystemic shunting, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Olatunde Oluwanteniola, Vikrant Tambe, Dmitry Bakrukov, Matthew Hess. A rare case of pernicious anemia, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Anojan Pathmanathan, James Osei Sarpong, Amit Dhamoon. Staphylococcus-Associated Alomerulorephritis, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Pooja Poudel, Sanjay Yadava, Tasaduq Fazili. Ocular syphilis: A preventable casue of blindness, presented at SHM, National Harbor, MD, March 24-27, 2019.
- Pooja Poudel, Ajay Uprety, Robert Carhart. A rare case of purulent pericarditis, still in the antibiotic era, presented at MSSNY, Tarrytown, NY, April 12-14, 2019.
- Nicholas Runeare, Sarah Lappin. An unfortunate cascade: Pneumothoacies as a complication of Lemierre's Syndrome, presented at NYSTS, NY, NY, March 28-29, 2019.
- Mili Shah, Bashar Sharma, Vikrant Tambe, Jill Yeager. Granulomatosis with polyangiitis presenting as a large bleeding pleural-based mass, presented at ACP, Philadelphia, PA, April 11-13, 2019.
- **Ester Sherman**, Amulya Penmetsa, Amitpal Nat. Eosinophilic endocardial fibrosis causing heart failure, presented at NYSTS, NY, NY, March 28-29, 2019.
- Baseer Syed, Ajay Tambe, Kunal Bhuta, William DiFilippo. A rare case of Sarcoidosis: Anemia and actute renal failure, presented at ACP, Philadelphia, PA, April 11-13, 2019.



Dr. Awayda attending the ACP Convention in Philadelphia along with Internal Medicine residents Mili Shah and Baseer Syed. While there he also ran into Internal Medicine's former residents Ruby and Osei!





Kudos

University Cardiology:

"We are very thankful for **Dr. Carhart's** service. His knowledge, caring attitude and must important his experience makes him a #1 Cardiologist. He definitely is an asset to Upstate."

"**Dr. Bhatta** - very caring and patient with questions." "**Dr. Szombathy** is friendly courteous and quite knowledgeable. He has my complete trust."

University Internists:

Dr. Lappin is always friendly and concerned about my overall well-being. Refers me to a specialist when needed." "**Dr. Wani** is always very informative and concerned." "**Dr. Krenzer**, as always, is smart, kind, efficient while taking time to talk about concerns. Absolutely the best."

Medicine Subspecialties:

"Dr. Nupani is an excellent, and caring Dr. He doesn't rush through the appt. and he is always thorough and compassionate. I am grateful that he is my treating Rheumatologist." "Dr. Yu is very professional and very knowledgeable about my disease. I trust her judgement completely and feel fortunate to have her treating me." "Dr. Neupane is a fantastic Doctor. I can't praise him enough. I saw many Doctors including specialist for 6 months that did not arrive at a diagnosis. Within 15 minutes on my first visit with Dr. Neupane, he diagnosed my illness and prescribed the proper medication to help me!!" "Dr. Kato always impresses me with his kindness, professionalism and knowledge." "Dr. Savici is a caring and attentive doctor." "Dr. Stephen Knohl is an excellent doctor."

Joslin Center for Diabetes:

"Dr Weinstock is the best physician I see. She is very thorough and up to date on anything related to diabetes. She readily answers any questions that I have and addresses any concerns I have." "Dr. Concilla provides a high level of care." "I find Dr.Piper to be very knowledgeable. Between her and Kate O'Brien I feel they have helped me the most out of any other diabetic care providers. Very pleased to have found both of them!"



THE HOSPITALIST GROUP IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE ADDITION OF ANOTHER MEMBER TO THEIR FAMILY

Welcome Baby! March 25, 2019 | Riyawysal Singh Nat

5 lbs, 18.5 in

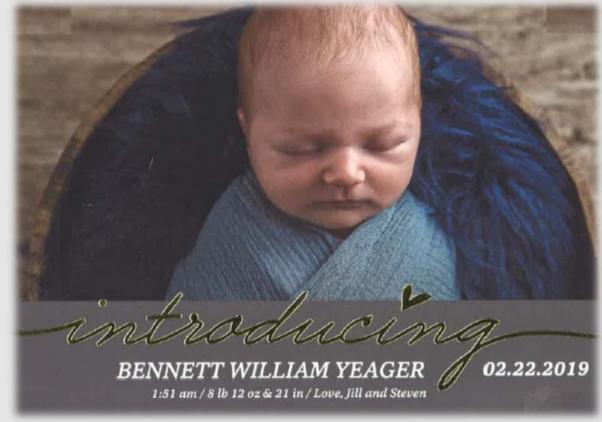
Congratulations Dr. Nat and Dr. Dutta!





Congratulations to Drs. Nat and Dutta on the birth of their baby boy Riyaanpal!

Congratulations to Dr. Yeager and her husband on the birth of their baby boy **Bennett!**







Thank you to all of those that contributed to this Newsletter. Should you wish to have something included in our next Newsletter, please email your information to Browns2@upstate.edu or ShelbyD@upstate.edu