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Our Mission

"To improve the health of the communities we serve through education, biomedical research and health care."



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Faculty News and Updates!

The following **people from Medicine were recognized at the 2014 Celebration of the Faculty** on Thursday March 20th @ the IHP Atrium.

Gold Standard Award-Dr. Vincent Frechette

Emeritus (Green below)

New Employees (white below)

Promoted-(Pink below)

Albert	Emily	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Berg	Andrea	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Concilla	J. Kurt	DPM	MEDICINE	New Hire
Dhaliwal	Ruban	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Farah	Fuad	MD	Medicine	Emeritus
Geurtsen	Aart	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Hess	Matthew	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Kohlitz	Patrick	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Mitchell	Joan	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Neupane	Hom	MD	Medicine	Promotion
Paul	Manju	MD	MEDICINE	New Hire
Phillips	Paul	MD	Medicine	Emeritus
Smulyan	Harold	MD	Medicine	Emeritus

Mark Polhemus, MD, right, is interviewed Jan. 15 on 9WSYR TV's Bridge Street program, seeking people to participate in an Upstate clinical trial of an investigational vaccine against dengue, a mosquito-borne virus that is emerging as a public health threat. Speaking with Polhemus are Bridge Street hosts Jim Teske and Staci-Lynn Honda.



Sharon Brangman, MD, was quoted Feb. 18 in numerous media outlets, including lifescrpt.com, UKreuters.com, news-daily.com and chicagotribune, WNMT-AM in Minnesota regarding how extra weight may add to elderly fall risk. - See more at: <http://upstateonline.info/static/Feb27-March62014/upstate-people.1#sthash.avbJWMBX.dpuf>



Upstate physician-scientist ranked as one of the world's leading experts on immune disorder

An Upstate Medical University physician-scientist has been ranked as one of the world's leading experts on sarcoidosis, an immune system disorder, by [Expertscape](#), a global online health information database.

[Michael C. Iannuzzi](#), MD, MBA, the Edward C Reifenshtein Professor and Chair of Upstate's Department of Medicine, ranks third among the world's top investigators of sarcoidosis, according to Expertscape.

The rankings are determined by a review of all medical journal articles found in the Pubmed.gov database (U.S. National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health) over the past decade, and assigns a particular score depending on the article's publication date; journal's reputation and whether physician was the lead author.

Iannuzzi's recent research on sarcoidosis, funded by the National Institutes of Health, is in the genetic epidemiology of sarcoidosis.

In studying sarcoidosis, Iannuzzi's work has helped scientists better understand the causes of sarcoidosis and how it affects different populations, especially African Americans. Iannuzzi's current research has identified two possible sarcoidosis genes and is searching for other genetic factors that predispose individuals to the progressive disease.

Sarcoidosis is the inflammation of body tissue, most often lungs, skin, and lymph nodes, although it can affect other parts of the body. The specific cause of the disease is unknown, but it is thought that the onset is caused by a reaction to a foreign substance. While rarely fatal, serious cases of sarcoidosis can result in organ damage and other complications.

Iannuzzi is also known for his work on other pulmonary diseases, such as cystic fibrosis, in which he is recognized with the discovery of a cystic fibrosis gene; he also participated in studies examining the respiratory illnesses suffered by workers and volunteers who participated in the rescue efforts during the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York City.

As a clinician, Iannuzzi specializes in the treatment of patients with lung diseases, pulmonary disorders, as well as sarcoidosis.

Caption: Michael C. Iannuzzi, MD, MBA, has been ranked as one of the world's leading experts on sarcoidosis by an online global health information database.

- See more at: <http://upstateonline.info/static/Feb6-Feb132014/blog/story-3/index.html#sthash.4NMT753a.dpuf><http://upstateonline.info/static/Feb6-Feb132014/blog/story-3/index.html>

KUDOS!

Adult Medicine

“**Dana Savici** was very good to me.” “No complaints.” “I am always treated very well!”

“The folks are polite, kind, & compassionate in all positions.” “Very pleasant and good experience.” “All the best!” “I have been a patient a long time, and hope to continue on. Thank you.”

“**Sowmya Korapati**: for her dedication and professionalism in finding the cause of my health issues. Her personable manner is a plus. She is good at what she does.” “**Heather Richardson, Mary Joy Lakomski and Hom Neupane**, MD they are the best” “I was sent for an x-ray as it was closing - The tech stayed, even though the computer with the order was "acting up" - She worked through the problem - Stayed a half hour extra so that I could get x-rayed. Very good experience!” “Kind and helpful.” “**Dr. Varghese**: she is very kind and helpful on all manners of my problems.” “Experience was good. Arrived an hour early and didn't have to wait to be seen. Very nice personnel.”

ROC

“**Mary** - the volunteer - very helpful”. “The staff has a lot to do with comfort level & they

are excellent.” “Everyone who we came in contact with was great.” “My nurse during my first chemo treatment: I don't remember her name but she made me so comfortable because I was so scared.” “Love the whole group.” “**RN "Patty"** who provided my first two treatments. She was knowledgeable, professional with a positive attitude during my treatments.”

Joslin Center for Diabetes

“Helpful.” “I have been a patient at Joslin Clinic over 10 yrs. I have had many different doctors and PA's and found all of them courteous, friendly, and professional.” “**Dr. Mols** was kind, as well as adept with explaining things to me concerning polycystic ovarian syndrome.” Thank you **Dr. Mols!** I appreciated the way. **Dr. Mols** took time to talk to me. God bless her.” “Saw the MD primarily, care was very good.” “**Donald Penree** PA very knowledgeable.” “**Tiffany** drew my blood and she was very warm and friendly! Thank you” “**Dr. Ruth Weinstock** - - The best!” “**Dr. Concilla** - working solo @ present was prompt, attentive & informative” “We love **Dr. Lipeski**. She truly cares about our family and takes the time to get to know us so she can care for our children in the best way possible.”” **Dr. Rachel Hopkins** excellent, hospitable, **Sherrie Bishop**, efficient, hospi-

table. **Mynikia Vaughn** - outstanding nurse. Extremely personable.” “Nurse **Jackie** - she always calls me back & answers my questions - She makes me feel confident in the care I receive from your center” “There is also a phone available to call transportation in the waiting room, which is helpful.” “Joslin Center is the best - I love **Dr. Kelly** - Excellent doctor. They know their stuff.” “**Sheri Albro** seems to go above & beyond to assist us” “The receptionists are so friendly.” “The doctor I visited is very friendly, cheerful, concerned, & caring.” “**Dr. Jennifer Kelly** is competent & explains things well. She communicates from labs & asks how I feel.” “**PA, Donald** is very good” “**Dr. Kelly's nurse** was pleasant & helpful.” “All staff members have been very courteous and pleasant.” “**Dr. Hopkins** takes plenty of time to make sure I understand, she is kind and always is very encouraging about the progress I am making.” “**Dr. Nadkarni** is always pleasant and concerned about my condition and is VERY thorough” “**Dr. Hopkins**—She takes as much time as necessary. I also feel that she cares about my care and I'm not just another person she sees. I feel like I am getting the highest level of care.”.....

Kudos Continued...

....“**Catherine Bazan**: very concerned and knows what she is talking about concerning meds and disease of diabetes. “**Dr. Joseph Concilla** - podiatrist - Fabulous dr. who knows what is best for diabetic foot problems.” “**Dr. Izquierdo, Robert**: Amazing - concerned, knowledgeable, kind, couldn't have found a better 'person.' I was impressed.” “**Sharma MD** - very caring, professional.” “**Tiffany Perez** – LAGB: always pleasant - never missed - always makes me feel very comfortable and is informative.”

University Geriatricians

“Everyone is very helpful.” “The entire staff made me feel very comfortable.” “Nurse practitioner - very nice” “Reception area is comfortable and relaxing - low key - nice for elder population.” “***Christine Heagle Bahn** is wonderful! Thoughtful, caring, patient, thorough, unhurried, observant.” “Everyone was friendly helpful & caring. They made me feel at ease, not nervous.” “Very good experience.” “Kindness and caring.” “The whole experience was positive.” “Everyone was so pleasant and caring.”” **Dr.**

Jeanne Bishop is one of the best doctors anybody could have, she is a model to be followed by other doctors #1” “Staff was excellent.” “Dr. Jeanne Bishop. I would recommend her for anybody, it is a blessing to have her; she is an asset to Upstate.” “Doctor's visit was well worth the wait!”

University Cardiology

“**Dr. Carhart** - He is very pleasant, cheerful & caring.” “Always pleasant, staff & **Dr. Carhart** is very courteous, and professional.”” All the staff, they know their position and explain to you what they are doing, if you should have any reaction. “Name two **Jamie & Donna** of course **Dr. Carhart.**” “All of **Dr. Carhart's** staff. They are professional and courteous.” “**Dr. Carhart** is also professional and understanding.” “They have an excellent team & I will always recommend them to everyone.” “**Jamie** the nurse called & helped me with questions that I had.” “The office & staff are very efficient. They do their jobs very well. They make you feel comfortable and caring.” “Always good.” “**Dr. Carhart**: he is an excellent caring, compassionate & most of all knowledgeable doctor.” “I've always had a good experience there.” “Couldn't ask for

better.” “Very good experience.”” **Dr. Carhart** is the best. Easy to talk to, always in a good mood. If you have one better I want to meet him. A true humanitarian.” “Everyone was so helpful and professional that I could not single out any one person. Top notch clinic.”

Transplant Center

“Love the new blood draw area - don't move them back!! MUCH more comfortable.” “Staff @ Transplant are always cheerful, welcoming and professional.” “The whole transplant team has been great! **Dr. Melancon, Renee Nickerson NP, Heidi, Ellen, Lisa**, all” “New waiting area is refreshing!” “**Ellen**: I don't know last name very easy to talk to - very informative/ caring.” “Everyone was nice and kind.”

Keeping Current Online

Presentation Notes

Dear Colleagues:

I have uploaded my notes on presentation skills to our website. I strongly recommend that you consider the recommendations made in these notes when preparing your presentations for Power Rounds. I have asked that Barbara-Ann also send these notes to the speakers one month before their assigned Power Rounds in the hope that faculty and residents use the recommendations given in these notes in preparing their presentations.

From time to time I will send out revised editions of these notes as I become aware of additional recommendations and articles from leaders in the field of public speaking and lecturing.

I urge you to read these notes and use the recommendations.

Please, let's put more power in our Power Rounds and presentations.

I would appreciate any of your feedback on these notes.

Thanks,

Michael C. Iannuzzi, MD, MBA

Edward C. Reifenstein Professor and Chair
Department of Medicine

<http://www.upstate.edu/medresidency/current/lecture.php>



Fifty years ago, two major events significantly impacted our region's delivery of health care. Upstate University Hospital, then called the State University Hospital at Upstate Medical Center, opened its doors to patients at its Downtown Campus, and Upstate's Community Campus, then called Community Hospital, merged with Syracuse General Hospital to become Community General Hospital, now Upstate's Community Campus. - See more at:

<http://upstateonline.info/static/Jan23-Jan302014/blog/story-1/index.html>

Power Rounds Presentations

All of the powerpoints from the power rounds lectures, with the exceptions of the quality conference presentations, are now posted to blackboard.

<https://bb.upstate.edu/webapps/login/>

Research Web Updates

The resident and fellow Abstract/Poster Submission form has been uploaded to the Research Grant Applications page, located on the left-hand sidebar as a PDF.

<http://www.upstate.edu/medicine/research/intra/grants/>

Residents, please send completed form to EPO Office: Dr. Stephen J. Knohl, MD,

Associate Professor of Medicine, Vice-Chair for Education,
knohls@upstate.edu,

315-464-4506

Fellows, please submit the completed form to your Fellowship Director.

Pulmonary Fellowship Program Overview has been added to the pulmonary's academic site

<http://www.upstate.edu/pulmcc/education/fellowshipoverview.php>

As well as a Conferences tab

<http://www.upstate.edu/pulmcc/education/conferences.php>

Years of Service:

The following list contains the names of employees in the Department of Medicine who have reached (as of June 30, 2014), their five year milestone for service recognition.

It is important that we honor all those employees who are eligible for recognition and have reached a five year service milestone.

Those employees who will be recognized will be receiving invitations via email and additional information within the next few weeks. Please remember to RSVP online to the event as instructed.

Congratulations to all those being honored!

DOM Years of Service

Five Years:

- Martha Clavijo-Rodriquez - Designated Aids Center
- Michael Roe, PhD - Endocrine
- Sarah Coyne - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Seth Hartman - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Deosa Hernandez - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Dr. Barbara Mols-Kowalczewski -Joslin Diabetes Center
- Una Stephens - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Dr. Michael Iannuzzi - Department Chairman
- Donna Lafrate - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Tamara Majewski - Gastroenterology
- Dr. Rahul Seth - Hematology/Oncology
- Lisa Sprague - Gastroenterology
- Ibrahim Thabet - Hematology/Oncology
- Jessica Tuzzolino - Hematology/Oncology
- Diane Weston-Covich - General Medicine
- Nancy Featherly - Ambulatory Medicine
- Laurie Deperno - Cardiac Cath Lab
- Lynne Costello - EP Lab
- Heather DeBrita - EP Lab
- Alicia Kell - EP Lab
- Marleah Godfrey - Stress/Echo Lab

Ten Years:

- Kim Johnson - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Caitlin McConnell - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Kimberly Amodio - Gastroenterology
- Marie Dor - Pulmonary
- Dr. Waleed Javaid - Infectious Diseases
- Dr. Hani Kozman - Cardiology
- Adrienne DeWitt - Ambulatory Medicine
- Karan Lukasiewicz - Ambulatory Medicine
- Shawwna Nye - Stress/Echo Lab

Fifteen Years:

- Mary Gorman - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Kimberly Huddleson - Joslin Diabetes Center
- Dr. Robert Lenox - Pulmonary
- Marilyn Mathers - Gastroenterology
- Deborah Mickinkle - General Medicine
- Dr. James Sexton - Pulmonary
- Dr. Ronald Szykowski - Gastroenterology
- Patty Vannelli - Pulmonary
- Jill Wagner - Hematology/Oncology
- Dawn Terwilliger - Ambulatory Medicine

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Twenty Years:

- Dr. Jeanne Bishop - Geriatrics
- Deborah Killian - Educational Programs Office
- Dr. David Lehmann - General Medicine
- Raisa Perzova - Hematology/Oncology
- Mary Beth Sweeney - Ambulatory Medicine

Twenty-Five Years:

- Pamela Romer - Hematology/Oncology
- Sandra Bird - Nephrology
- Keitha Costello - Hematology/Oncology
- Alice Smith - Ambulatory Medicine

Thirty Years:

Lorraine Brissenden
Gastroenterology

Dr. Barbara Krenzer
General Medicine

Thirty-Five Years:

Darlene Schick-Waller
Hematology/Oncology

Forty Years:

Dr. Donald Blair
Infectious Diseases

Martha Lange Stress/
Echo Lab

*Please note that the employees who have reached 5 years of service will no longer be invited to the luncheon due to budget constraints. A packet will be mailed to them after the event.

GI Taking on Cancer Awareness



March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month!

University Gastroenterology and University Gastroenterology at the Philip G. Holtzapple Endoscopy Center have undertaken several initiatives to celebrate Colorectal Cancer Awareness. One initiative, "Pardon our Blues" encourages staff to make a donation to the designated group, Upstate Cancer Center, and in return they are allowed to wear jeans to work. Two gift baskets have been created and donated by the staff which will be raffled off: a "Tastefully Simple" basket and an Easter theme basket.

In addition, the practice staff (providers and staff) had special Colon Cancer Awareness t-shirts made up (as seen in the photo) and are being worn during the month. The American Cancer Society provided Colorectal Cancer Awareness posters and patient education to the practices which are displayed in each waiting room. The Endoscopy Practice is also giving out rubber bracelets to patients having a colonoscopy at the Hill location during the month. In addition, the clinical support staff have updated patient education bulletin boards and have created special Colorectal Cancer Awareness patient education in our waiting room.

The Division of Gastroenterology practices are working hard to raise awareness year round but are taking the above measures to increase awareness during March, Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. The employee group has set a donation goal and hopes to be among one of the employee groups which will be permanently recognized on the Upstate Family Tree of Hope at the new Upstate Cancer Center.

Team Department of Medicine



The Department of Medicine joined more than 50 Upstate Heart Walk team captains at Setnor Academic Building Feb. 7 to kick off recruiting efforts for Upstate's participation in the 2014 Syracuse Heart Walk on March 22. - See more at: <http://upstateonline.info/static/Feb13-Feb202014/photo-gallery/index.html#sthash.GLJSkEqL.dpuf>

Together, we have raised \$840 for the American Heart Association.

President's Award Nominations Are Still Being Accepted!

Nominations accepted for 2014 President's Awards Nominations are being accepted for the 2014 President's Awards **through April 1** for the following categories: Advancement of Affirmative Action, Excellence in Library Science, Excellence in Professional Service, Excellence in Faculty Service, Excellence and Leadership in Research, Excellence in Basic Research by a Young Investigator, Excellence in Clinical Research by a Young Investigator, Excellence in Teaching, and Outstanding Voluntary Faculty. The awards will be given out at the Fall Faculty Convocation. Guidelines and nomination forms are available in the Office of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, 1166 Weiskotten Hall, 464-4520 or bourkem@upstate.edu.

Award categories are:

- Outstanding Diversity Contribution of the Year (Team)
- Community Service of the Year (Team and Individual)
- Team of the Year
- Leader of the Year
- Employee of the Year

Education: Resident News and Updates

Congratulations, Omar, for receiving the AASLD Emerging Liver Scholars Resident Travel Award at The Liver Meeting® 2013

Omar Mousa, MD
Resident Physician, PGY-2
SUNY Upstate Medical University



It was a great honor to receive the AASLD Emerging Liver Scholars Resident Travel Award at The Liver Meeting® 2013. I was warmly welcomed by the AASLD mentorship program family, along with 31 other young physicians. We were invited to attend an interesting meeting agenda in Washington, DC, where we received grants covering our stay and travel expenses. We attended many special events and incredible sessions that are significant to our academic development. In addition to that, I had an invaluable opportunity to meet world renowned physicians in the field of hepatology.

The journey started at the orientation session where I met the AASLD mentorship family as well as the enthusiastic award recipients, who came with their mentors from all around the US. An excellent workshop followed, introducing us to a new avenue in career development. This unique workshop included very interesting topics, presented by well known speakers in the field of hepatology. It was especially designed to nurture our academic knowledge as young physicians. For example, it was my first time learning about the pilot Transplant Hepatology Fellowship track and the NIH Career Development Awards. We learned essential tips for academic advancement, writing a winning grant, making the most of our mentor, succeeding in basic and clinical research, as well as clinical epidemiology and biostatistics.

Thereafter, we joined thousands of physicians who came from all around the world to attend the AASLD Postgraduate Course and the annual meeting. I enjoyed listening to many outstanding speakers as they presented new advancements in the science of liver disease. The presentations were very innovative, informative, and stimulating, hence raising further discussions with my mentor and my new colleagues, the award recipients. Attending the special session by Dr Irwin Arias, Senior Scientist at NIH, focusing on bridging basic science with research was an absolute pleasure.

Mentorship builds a critical base to our career path. I appreciate the great support I had from my mentor, Dr Victor Ankoma-Sey, who gave me a one-of-a-kind insight about this field and helped me in developing my research skills over the past two years. I asked him about his reflections regarding this promising new AASLD program. He said "the Liver Scholar Award was a rewarding experience for both the mentor and mentee. We thoroughly discussed and selected which liver meetings to attend, an exercise that allowed us to define areas of interest, either for ongoing or future research or blind spots in our knowledge of liver disease. Furthermore, this stimulating exercise clearly motivated my mentee to consider a career in hepatology, which I suspect is the underlying motivation of our organization in this endeavor."

Overall, AASLD gave my colleagues and me an ultimate opportunity at a critical time of our residency training. It opened my eyes to a new era in the world of hepatology with all the interesting research opportunities it has. I was inspired by the renowned leaders in this field and I had a great time meeting the Emerging Liver Scholar Award recipients. We definitely look forward to meeting again in future conferences. Finally, this fascinating experience increased my passion for hepatology and made it a memorable five days. The Liver Meeting® 2013 also encouraged me to continue working towards a gastroenterology/hepatology fellowship in the future.



Gaurang Vaidya, PGY1, wrote an article that was selected for publication in The British Medical Journal Case Reports, with him as the first author and Dr. Savio John as the mentor. The title of the article is "Polyarteritis nodosa presenting as profuse gastrointestinal bleeding." It will be published online first, in about a month, and then uploaded to PubMed. Additionally, two of his abstracts were selected for presentation in American Thoracic Society conference to be held in San Diego in May and he is now a reviewer of a peer reviewed journal- Journal of Neurosciences in Rural Practice.

Resident Abstracts and Posters

Amritpal Nat, Amitpal S. Nat, Amit Sharma, Aravind Pothineni, Ioana Amzuta. Looking beyond the Milwaukee protocol, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Research Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 5, 2014.

Amritpal Nat, Wajihuddin Syed, Amitpal Nat, Viren Kaul, Musa Njeru, Dinesh Subedi. Calciphylaxis and superimposed infections, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014.

Arunpreet Kahlon, Amrita Dhillon, Arundeeep Kahlon, Brian Changlai. D-Lactic acidosis due *Clostridial* gas gangrene in an uncontrolled diabetes mellitus (DM) patient, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014.

Aswini Kumar, Aditya Kalakonda, Kiran Pokhrel, Amit S. Dhamoon. An interesting case of cryofibrinogenemia, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Research Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 5, 2014.

Aswini Kumar, William Elliott. Elderly lady with anemia and acute renal failure, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014.

Cesar Orellana, Anna Orellana, Ruban Dhaliwal, Toni Paciones, Ivy John, Ashley Anderson, Dinesh Ananthan, Zachary Williamson, Veera Dura Panuganty, Wasnard Victor, Matthew Wasser, Rahul Seth. Non-islet cell tumor induced hypoglycemia: A challenging diagnosis, presented at the National American College of Physicians poster competition, Orlando, FL, April 11, 2014.

Dinesh Ananthan, Sonali Shah, Hayas Haseer Koya. A unique case of Powasson virus causing tick-borne encephalitis: A diagnostic dilemma, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Research Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 5, 2014.

Emerald Banas, Meghan Rane, Aakash Aggarwal, Arman Khorasani-zadeh. Complement dysregulation: A case of atypical Hemolytic Uremic syndrome, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014.

Gaurang Nandkishor Vaidya, Priyanka Pitroda, Vishal Bhupesh Shah. Tumor Lysis syndrome in metastatic breast cancer treated with paclitaxel, presented at MSSNY, April 11, 2014.

Resident Abstracts and Posters

- Hayas Haseer Koya**, Musa Njeru, Dona Varghese, Christopher Curtiss, Apurv Khanna. Acquired reactive perforating dermatosis - A rare skin manifestation in end stage renal disease, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014.
- Joshua W. Harrison**, Ramesh Cherukuri, Debra Buchan. I see dead people: Renal cell carcinoma induced paraneoplastic hallucinations, presented at the National American College of Physicians poster competition, Orlando, FL, April 11, 2014.
- Omar Mousa**, Rushikesh Shah, Samana Zaidi, Amit Dhamoon. Effects of 2010 ACGME regulations on internal medicine residency programs in the northeast, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Research Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 5, 2014.
- Rushikesh Shah**, Omar Mousa, Aditya Kalakonda, Anthony Paredes, Aakash Aggarwal, Sekou Rawlins. Factors increasing risk of pneumonia amongst Proton Pump Inhibitor use, presented at Beyond the Doctorate Research Day, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, March 5, 2014.
- Shah R**, Patel A, John S. Spur cell anemia in end-stage liver disease: a zebra! Am J Emerg Med. 2014 Jan 25. pii: S0735-6757(14)00033-3. doi: 10.1016/j.ajem.2014.01.027. [Epub ahead of print] PubMed PMID: 24581882.
- Sravanthi Nandavaram**, Daniel Polacek. Atrio - Esophageal fistula: Fatal complication of radiofrequency ablation, presented at the CHEST World Congress 2014, Madrid, Spain, March 21-24, 2014.
- Sravanthi Nandavaram**. Cockett Syndrome, presented at SHM, Las Vegas, March 24-27, 2014.
- Syed Haider Imam**, Kristen Landry, Viren Kaul. Phenytoin toxicity: When less is more!!!, presented at the National American College of Physicians poster competition, Orlando, FL, April 11, 2014.
- Viren Kaul**, et al. Worsening AKI with plasmapheresis in atypical HUS: A clue to underlying cryoglobulinemic glomerulonephritis: The first case report, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014.



**2013-14
Jeopardy
Winners!**



Research!!

Department of Medicine Research

*Advancing Healthcare through
exploration, scholarship and leadership*

Now Accepting Applications!

The Department of Medicine Research Grant is currently accepting applications for funding. The Department of Medicine encourages its faculty and House Staff with a Faculty mentor to participate in this exciting grant program. The grant program is for the support of basic or clinical research projects and research equipment relevant to the Department of Medicine.

For more information, please visit our webpage:
<http://www.upstate.edu/medicine/research/intra/grants/>

Resident Research

<i>February - March 2014</i>				
<i>Name</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Mentor</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Kaur, Gurmeen	PGY1	Dr. Amar Swarnkar	Neuroradiology rotation	2/12/14- 2/18/14
Wright, Lauren	PGY1	Dr. Barker-Griffith	Eye Pathology	2/26/14-3/4/14
Ananthan, Dinesh	PGY2	Dr. Kan Liu	Strain Pattern in diabetics CTO vs CABG	2/10/14- 2/16/14
Mousa, Omar	PGY2	Dr. Kimball Clark	Radiology rotation to learn about abdominal imaging, including CT scans and ultrasounds as well as thoracic imaging.	2/17/14- 2/23/14
Bradley, Sicily	PGY3	Dr. Scalzetti	Radiology - Chest section	2/10/14-2/16/14
Gill, Sonja	PGY3	Dr. Julius Latorre	Neuro ICU	2/24/14-2/28/14
Korapati, Sowmya	PGY3	Dr. Masrani & Dr. Adhikary	Radiology Elective at Women's Imaging, 550 Harrison Ctr	2/24/14-3/2/14
Orellana, Cesar	PGY3	DR. Mitchell Karmel	Interventional Radiology elective	2/17/14-2/23/14
Nat, Amrit	PGY3	Dr. Julius Latorre	Neuro ICU Elective	2/10/14-2/16/14
Nat, Amrit	PGY3	Dr. Birendra Sah	Sarcoid research (chart review & data collection)	2/24/14-3/2/14
Pandey, Subodh	PGY3	Dr. Calimlim	Anes elective/airway mgmt.	2/10/14-2/16/14
Lau, Chris	Chief	N/A	Chris will be the atg supervisor for a new pilot procedures team. The HS on the team will be Karan Gupta, Zach Williamson, Emerald Banas & Valerie Barta.	1/20/14-2/16/14

Resident Research Continued...

<i>March - April 2014</i>				
<i>Name</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Mentor</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Cummings, Michael	PGY1	Dr. Amar Swarnkar	Radiation Oncology	3/19/14-3/25/13
Rossett, Leah	PGY1	Dr. Deepa Masrani	Radiology - Women's Imaging	3/26/14-4/1/14
Wright, Lauren	PGY1	Dr. Kirk Craig	Neuroradiology	3/26-14-4/1/14
Ananthan, Dinesh	PGY2	Dr. Robert Poster	Radiology Elective	3/10/14-3/16/14
Aswath, Ganesh	PGY2	Dr. Savio John	Retrospective study: "Risk factors for colonic neoplasm and Iron Deficiency Anemia among refugees."	3/31/14-4/6/14
Aggarwal, Aakash	PGY3		email reminder sent 12/11/13	3/10/14-3/16/14
Farrington, Darren	PGY3	Jeanna M Marraffa	Toxicology Elective	3/17/14-3/23/14
Gill, Sonja	PGY3	Dr. Christine Stork	Toxicology Elective	3/17/14-3/23/14
Korapati, Sowmya	PGY3	Dr. Elkins	Transfusion medicine elective	3/3/14-3/9/14
Pandey, Subodh	PGY3	Dr. Ernest Scalzetti	Chest Radiology Elective	3/10/14-3/16/14
Papatheodorou, Dana	PGY3	Dr. Robert Calimlim	Anesthesiology	3/10/14-3/16/14
Thapa, Jhapat	PGY3	Dr. Kan Liu	Reviewing Echocardiographic indices to differentiate between myocardial infarction and stress induced cardiomyopathy.	3/17/14-3/30/14

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New Visits													
Hospitalist	-	1	2	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	2	1	1	6
Cardiology	68	72	69	79	118	78	80	64	93	54	114	76	965
Dermatology	85	90	95	89	111	80	105	88	110	83	85	89	1,110
Endocrinology	106	112	185	158	155	164	135	175	137	136	194	158	1,815
Gastroenterology	109	80	94	109	104	125	94	178	123	105	97	110	1,328
General Medicine	101	92	126	76	128	83	119	96	100	68	112	88	1,189
Hematology/Oncology	163	176	224	152	208	139	176	171	190	163	141	152	2,055
Infectious Disease	8	9	16	7	13	8	12	23	3	13	10	12	134
Nephrology	37	29	26	17	37	44	36	44	31	21	45	32	399
Pulmonary/Critical Care	68	89	100	54	98	87	100	109	88	76	104	81	1,054
Rheumatology	86	81	82	82	79	81	75	94	59	73	76	101	969
Geriatrics	47	38	24	31	22	45	37	55	45	34	36	66	480
Total New Visits	878	869	1,043	854	1,073	933	969	1,097	979	828	1,015	966	11,504

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All Outpatient Visits													
Hospitalist	438	224	579	305	587	384	482	479	444	517	533	270	5,242
Cardiology	825	871	797	801	1,016	700	745	725	804	533	785	635	9,237
Dermatology	290	278	294	271	311	256	297	297	323	290	261	319	3,487
Endocrinology	1,991	1,633	1,814	1,630	1,731	1,669	1,635	1,823	1,849	1,620	1,691	1,428	19,914
Gastroenterology	483	377	498	430	436	457	423	613	464	418	466	384	5,449
General Medicine	2,336	2,350	2,748	1,743	2,335	2,299	2,401	2,537	2,386	2,139	2,613	2,095	27,982
Pharmacology	149	135	260	275	306	287	275	237	264	248	253	255	2,944
Hematology/Oncology	2,748	3,236	3,594	2,598	3,264	2,790	3,320	3,012	2,930	3,159	2,802	2,703	36,156
Infectious Disease	132	124	187	118	156	103	128	186	125	139	153	114	1,665
Nephrology	240	255	254	219	249	291	265	260	235	188	256	215	2,927
Pulmonary/Critical Care	446	513	626	395	492	434	486	519	491	448	496	415	5,761
Rheumatology	716	639	618	616	646	634	697	666	542	576	625	629	7,604
Geriatrics	187	175	163	210	173	194	120	237	208	160	197	264	2,288
Total Outpatient Visits	10,381	10,810	12,432	9,611	11,702	10,498	11,274	11,591	11,065	10,435	11,131	9,726	130,656

Note: Outpatient Visits Include Observation.

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Inpatient Visits													
Hospitalist	3,116	1,573	4,600	1,564	2,806	1,713	2,863	3,362	2,306	2,597	3,024	2,692	32,216
Cardiology	383	515	504	348	330	502	299	374	353	392	401	513	4,914
Dermatology	3	-	3	-	3	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	15
Endocrinology	188	223	324	197	330	243	296	290	236	283	104	392	3,106
Gastroenterology	190	125	160	36	158	189	69	155	50	172	156	151	1,611
General Medicine	415	310	353	242	50	337	194	226	252	232	360	256	3,227
Pharmacology	1	3	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Hematology/Oncology	1,549	1,253	1,971	881	1,509	1,278	1,194	1,888	1,215	1,411	1,522	1,470	17,141
Infectious Disease	333	279	349	355	313	460	145	266	306	264	198	277	3,545
Nephrology	693	421	729	531	553	487	510	584	514	548	677	561	6,808
Pulmonary/Critical Care	692	536	809	525	489	728	490	678	525	596	796	585	7,449
Rheumatology	91	121	127	154	135	221	101	223	78	71	96	220	1,638
Palliative Care	80	33	124	45	63	70	19	48	117	7	88	123	817
Total Inpatient Visits	7,734	5,392	10,053	4,879	6,739	6,231	6,181	8,095	5,953	6,573	7,422	7,241	82,493

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