Medical Science Poster Session

Every spring, students in the master’s program in medical science participate in the MMS Poster Session, presenting their research from diverse fields and a broad range of approaches.

Medical Student Research Day

The College’s first Medical Student Research Day was held this past spring at Queen Lane. Following the keynote address by Dr. Anil K. Rustgi, the T. Grier Miller Professor of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, the students made poster presentations.
Golden Apple Awards

The 16th Annual Golden Apple Awards, in recognition of excellence in teaching and outstanding service to the student body, were presented on April 4. The student groups and their awardees were:

First-Year IFM:
Dr. Denise Ferrier
Biochemistry

First-Year PIL:
Dr. Dennis DePace
Gross Anatomy

Second-Year IFM:
Dr. Joel Horwitz
Pharmacology

Second-Year PIL:
Dr. Cheryl Hanau
Pathology & Laboratory Medicine

Third-Year to an Attending Physician:
Dr. David Bernstein
Medicine
Hahnemann University Hospital

Dr. Philip Billoni
Medicine
Lancaster General Hospital

Dr. Leonard Levine
Pediatrics
St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children

Third-Year to a Resident Physician:
Dr. Nigel Pereira
Ob/Gyn
Hahnemann University Hospital

Fourth-Year to an Attending Physician:
Dr. Nini Malayalam
Anesthesiology
Hahnemann University Hospital

Dr. Brandon Fisher
Radiation Oncology
Hahnemann University Hospital

Dr. Arvin Narula
Medicine
Hahnemann University Hospital

Special Recognition Award for Outstanding Services to the Student Body:
George Zeiset
Technology in Medical Education (TIME)

Gregory McGee
TIME

Rich Ludwig
Environmental Services

Golden Apple Award for Outstanding Services to the Student Body:
Dr. Samuel Parrish
Associate Dean
Student Affairs and Admissions
Professional Studies Reception

The Office of Professional Studies in the Health Sciences held its annual awards ceremony and luncheon on May 16 at Stiles Alumni Hall. Vice Dean Gerry Soslau, Ph.D., presented awards for the highest academic achievement in each program.
Graduating doctoral students received their hoods at an awards ceremony and reception hosted by the Office of Biomedical Graduate and Postgraduate Studies on May 17 at New College Building. Vice Dean Barry Waterhouse, Ph.D., presided over the event honoring the Ph.D. and Master of Science candidates.
50th Reunion May 16–18

Save the Date in 2013

Alumni Weekend, May 3-4 – Class Representatives are needed for years ending in 3 and 8.

50 Year Reunion, May 15-17 – Are you a 1963 graduate? Be a class rep for your reunion! Call 866-373-9633 or email medical.alumni@drexel.edu.
Alumni Induction Luncheon May 16

Patty Comey, Alumni Relations

Shay Myers, Dr. Daniel Schidlow, Marie Hartman

Speaker Dr. Elyce Cardonick, MCP ’91

Dr. Barbara Schindler
Commencement Behind the Scenes
The Dean’s Special Awards for excellence in clinical teaching and the Blockley-Osler Award were presented by Vice Dean Barbara Schindler, M.D., at a luncheon following Commencement, and the Lindback Award winner was recognized. Affiliated medical campuses were honored for their service and dedication to the College of Medicine and our students.

### Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching

Kirsten Larson, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Microbiology & Immunology

Dr. Larson

### Blockley-Osler Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching

Robert A. Massaro, M.D., Ob/Gyn
Monmouth Medical Center

Dr. Massaro

### 2012 DEAN’S SPECIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL TEACHING

- **Abington Memorial Hospital**
  
  Manuel Rosenberg, M.D.
  Medicine

  Drs. Schindler and Rosenberg

- **Bayhealth Medical Center**
  
  M. Scott Bovelsky, M.D., FACOG
  Ob/Gyn

- **Bryn Mawr Hospital**
  
  David Rose, M.D., FACS
  Surgery

  Drs. Schindler and Qasim

- **Albert Einstein Medical Center**
  
  George Newman, M.D.
  Neurology

  Dr. Newman

- **Bayhealth Medical Center**
  
  M. Scott Bovelsky, M.D., FACOG
  Ob/Gyn

- **Capital Health System**
  
  Rajeev R. Shah, M.D.
  Pediatrics

  Drs. Schidlow, Shah, and Schindler

- **Coatesville VA Medical Center**
  
  Mohammad Qasim, M.D.
  Psychiatry

  Drs. Schindler and Qasim

- **Crozer-Chester Medical Center**
  
  Emily Choi, M.D.
  Neurology

  Dr. Choi

- **Allegheny General Hospital**
  
  Thomas F. Scott, M.D.
  Neurology

  Drs. Schidlow, Scott, and Schindler

- **Chambersburg Hospital**
  
  Indranil Chakrabarti, M.D.
  Psychiatry

  Drs. Schindler and Chakrabarti

- **Easton Hospital**
  
  Narpinder Singh, M.D.
  Medicine

  Dr. Singh
A group from Monmouth Medical Center: Drs. Eric Burkett, Gregory Greco, Joseph Jaeger, Sajjad Zaidi, Michael Goldfarb, and Robert Massaro.

Drs. Schindler and Templeton

Hahnemann University Hospital
Susan P. Harding, M.D.
Orthopaedic Surgery

Dr. Harding

Lancaster General Hospital
Joseph J. Irwin, M.D.
Family Medicine

Dr. Irwin

Lehigh Valley Health Network
Brian J. Costello, D.O., FACP
Medicine

Mercy Health System
Sonya Monique Knight, D.O.
Neurology

Monmouth Medical Center
Gregory A. Greco, D.O., FACS, Surgery

Clinical Teaching by a Community Family Practice
Norristown Family Physicians
Joseph A. Calamia, D.O.
Joseph M. DiMino, D.O.
Christopher J. Drumm, M.D.
Kevin R. Melnick, D.O.

Drs. Christopher Drumm and Kevin Melnick

PinnacleHealth Hospital
Gwendolyn Poles, D.O., FACP
Medicine

Dr. Poles

St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children
Polly S. Kochan, M.D., Radiology

Faculty from St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children: Drs. Eric Faerber, Polly Kochan, Leonard Levine, and Robert McGregor, interim chair of pediatrics for the College.

Saint Peter’s University Hospital
Nayan K. Kothari, M.D.
Medicine

Drs. Joseph Jenci, Saint Peter’s University Hospital, and Barbara Schindler

York Hospital
Robert Pargament, M.D.
Medicine

Drs. Schidlow, Pargament, and Schindler
GRADUATE STUDENT AWARDS

The Amedeo Bondi, Ph.D. Endowed Graduate Award
To a Ph.D. graduating student for excellence in research performance during the training experience:
Alyssa Lee Kennedy

The Alumnae and Alumni Association Award
For services to graduate programs and student body:
Danielle Trappanese

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation Scholarship Award
For Humanism in Medicine:
Yasir A. Abdul-Rahman
Anne C. Wester
Honorable Mention:
Fotttam D. Baguio
Marc A. Paranzino

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE AWARDS

The Dr. Elias Abrutyn Award
For excellence in Infectious Diseases:
Megan Carol Gallagher

The American Academy Award
For excellence in Neurology:
Emanuelle André Danielle Schindler

The Award for Excellence in Anesthesiology:
Khan Kane Chaichana

The O. Eugene Baum Memorial Prize
For excellence in Psychiatry:
Brett Beuan Miller

The Paula Bernocchi Memorial Award
For excellence in the field of Emergency Medicine:
Casey Lee Fauth
For excellence in the field of Psychiatry:
Matthew D. Kronick

The Iain F. S. Black, M.D. Award
For excellence in Pediatrics, presented by the Department of Pediatrics and the Medical Staff of St. Christopher's Hospital for Children:
Brian Leo Czervionke

The Elizabeth Blackwell Memorial Prize
To an outstanding woman in the graduating class:
Christine Jee-Young Chung

The Mark A. Blatt, M.D., HU '56 Memorial Prize
For excellence in Family Medicine:
Kathryn Anne Connolly

The Charles Block, M.D., HU '42 Memorial Prize
For excellence in Internal Medicine and Cardiology:
Yuvaraj J. Parmar

The Leopoldo Canales Award
For excellence in Neurology:
Laura A. Stein

The Ronald P. Caputo, M.D., HU '62 Memorial Award
For outstanding clinical skills and humanitarianism in the care of medical patients:
Mugdha Agrawal

The Harris R. Clearfield Award
For excellence in Gastroenterology:
Anthony John Faugno III

The Maurice C. Clifford, M.D. Leadership Award
For student achievement and service:
Victor Cueto, Jr.

The Donald R. Cooper, M.D. Award
For excellence in Surgery:
Matthew D. Kronick

The Dean’s Award
For a universally high level of accomplishment, professional maturity and outstanding potential:
Justin Alexander Chen

The Department of Dermatology Award
For excellence in Dermatology:
Maria Christine Sheron

The Drexel University College of Medicine Alumni Association Award
For dedication and contribution to the community and University:
Robert C. Kelly

The Drexel University College of Medicine SGA Award
For outstanding dedication and loyalty to the school and the student body:
Edward H. Siegel
The David Dunn, M.D. Award
For excellence in Neurology: Shaista Alam

The Alan Edelsohn Memorial Prize
For outstanding leadership and service to the class and the College of Medicine: Todd Stamatakos

The Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Award
For excellence in Emergency Medicine: Evelyn Grace Lee

The Endocrine Society Award
For special achievement and interest in the general field of endocrinology: Victor Cueto, Jr.

The Barbara Epstein Creativity Award
For creativity in the arts: Laura A. Stein

The Eva Fernandez Fox Award
For personal integrity, stability, responsibility and loyalty to the College of Medicine: Brittany J. Behar

The James P. Fullin, M.D., HU ’76 Memorial Award
For outstanding clinical and academic performance in Hematology & Oncology: Stephanie Lee Labomascus

The Van Buren O. Hammett Memorial Award
For an outstanding performance in Psychiatry: Michelle Renee Paff

The Hahnemann Physicians Society Award
For Community Service: Jennifer Huang

The Beatrice Sterling Hollander, M.D., WMC ’41 Memorial Award
To the student in the graduating class who shows promise of leadership, high character and creativeness in her profession: Amanda R. Trommello

The Johnston Award
For excellence in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine: Lauren Ashley George

The Eichi K. Koiwai, M.D., HU ’47 Award
For an outstanding performance during the Pathology Clerkship: Alejandro Torres-Hernandez

The Joan Kornblum Memorial Prize
For excellence in Internal Medicine: Justin Alexander Chen

The Elizabeth D. Labovitz, M.D., WMC ’63 Award
For excellence in Renal and Electrolyte Studies: Kelly Ann Fung

The Joseph A. Langbord Memorial Prize
For humanitarianism in medicine: Tanvi Khurana

The Samuel Levit Award
For outstanding skills and humanitarianism in Medicine: Thomas Joseph Walk

The William Likoff, M.D. Award
For distinction in the care of medical patients and commitment to academic excellence: Christine Jee-Young Chung

The George D. Lumb, M.D. Award
For outstanding achievement in the Pathology course: Michael Arthur Casey

The Daniel Mason, M.D., HU ’44 Award
For Cardiovascular clinical work: Eliot Graham Peyster

The Merck Manual Awards
For general clinical excellence: Richard Talbot Birkett, Usha Rajapuram Kumar, Eric Joseph Charles, Eliana Verghese Hempel, Eunice Chavez Del Rosario

The Dr. Judith Mausner Award
For excellence in Community & Preventive Medicine: Megan Carol Gallagher

The Medical Humanities Award: Shawn Sikka

The Alma D. Morani, M.D., WMC ’31 Award in Gross Anatomy
For excellence in Anatomy during the senior year: Ryan David Stancil

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Awards
For overall academic excellence in Obstetrics and Gynecology: Kristin Ashley Van Heertum
For academic excellence in the Obstetrics and Gynecology Clinical Clerkship: Jacqueline Elizabeth Calvo
For leadership in the field of Obstetrics and Gynecology: Natalie Rachel Gladstein

The Axel K. Olsen, M.D. Neurosurgery Award
For excellence in Neurosurgery: Raj Kiran Nangunoori

The Oscar Corn, M.D., and HU ’43 Award
For excellence in Orthopedic Surgery: Kevin Manning Denehy, Richard Snyder Howell

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Graduation Awards

- **The Gerald Pearson Memorial Award**
  For excellence in Child Psychiatry: Maryann Ro

- **The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians, Philadelphia Branch Award**
  For performance and leadership in Family Practice: Robert C. Kelly

- **The Rigberg Family Award**
  For excellence in the field of Hematology, Oncology, Obstetrics or Gynecology: Prachi Umang Thanawala

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  • 3 M.D./Ph.D.
  • 1 M.D./MBA
  • 1 M.D./MPH

22 Doctor of Philosophy

176 Master of Science

13 Master of Laboratory Animal Science

The new lettering and pediment ornamentation at Queen Lane were gifts from the Class of 2012 with support from the 50-year reunion classes of 1962; pictured are the 2012 class presidents, Bobby Kelly, Brittany Behar, and Todd Stamatakos.
**Bulletins:**

**Celebrate Discovery October 4**

Save the date for Discovery 2012 – the annual celebration of research at the College of Medicine. More than 300 posters are expected for display in the morning, on topics ranging from infectious disease to neurobiology. Following lunch and an address by the distinguished keynote speaker, Lynn W. Enquist, Ph.D., the Henry L. Hillman Professor and Chair of Molecular Biology at Princeton University, the later afternoon is devoted to platform presentations selected for the Joseph R. DiPalma Research Symposium. **Special events for alumni** begin on October 3 with the Graduate Alumni Research Forum. For more Discovery Day information, visit [www.drexelmed.edu/DiscoveryDay](http://www.drexelmed.edu/DiscoveryDay) or email Angelo Milone at amilone@drexelmed.edu. For alumni program information, email medical.alumni@drexel.edu, or call toll-free 866-DrexMed (866-373-9633).

**Join the College on YouTube**

The College of Medicine has established a YouTube channel to highlight news coverage of our faculty's expertise, publicize news and events related to research, education, and patient care, and introduce our faculty to the community at large. During the spring, the Marketing & Communications Department posted several clips that highlighted College events and launched a series of videos featuring faculty members from the Department of Surgery. Visit [www.youtube.com/DrexelMedicine](http://www.youtube.com/DrexelMedicine) to view or subscribe.

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**Calendar:**

**July**  
UV Safety Month

July 16  
Manuel Stamatakis Golf Classic  
Philippines Cricket Club  
Contact: Kelly Garucci, 215-255-7327

**August**  
National Immunization Awareness Month

Aug 6  
First-year medical student orientation begins

Aug 10  
White Coat Ceremony  
Hilton Philadelphia City Avenue, 3 p.m.  
Contact: Shay Myers, smyers@drexelmed.edu

**September**  
National Recovery Month

Sep 3  
Labor Day

**October**  
Health Literacy Month

Oct 2  
Drexel University Convocation

Oct 3-4  
Graduate Alumni Research Forum  
Contact: 866-373-9633 or medical.alumni@drexelmed.edu

Oct 4  
Discovery 2012: Annual Research Day  
Contact: Angelo Milone, amilone@drexelmed.edu

**2013 Dates to Save**

Mar 15  
Match Day

May 17  
Commencement