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MD/PHD NEWSLETTER

Director: Dr. Amit Dhamoon
Coordinator: Andrea Cifonelli

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MEDICAL UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

International
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Day



Laura, Jen, Hannah and Maria represent the only female candidate of their cohorts. Our program now includes an all-female cohort with successive cohorts having at least 2 female students. Thank-you for your collective contribution to the female student representation in our thriving MDPH community!

• HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. DHAMOON •

MARCH 27





Strictly prohibited?
We'll see about
that...



Dr. Dhamoon, you're our unicorn. Wishing you a glorious birthday and a magical year ahead.

With love,
Your MD, PhD family

March Events

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 *Beyond the Doctorate Research Day 1-6pm NAB 4414	2 GR Setnor 3507 6pm		4 *2023 APSA NE Regional Meeting Boston, MA
		7 Afternoon Tea w/ Dr. Vyas WH 3111 3-4pm	8 	9 ASD for COGS Day 1 + GR- Setnor 3507	10 ASD for COGS Day 2	
	13 Registration Deadline for SRD			16 **Daria Visit + GR- Setnor 3507 + **Un-match Day	17 **Daria Visit + Match Day	
				23 Virtual MDPHD Book Club Interest Meeting		
	27 	28 GR- Setnor 3507 Q&A with Sam Mackenzie	29 *Student Research Day	X		



**Top Secret

*must register

** details coming soon

BEYOND DOCTORATE RESEARCH

DAY 2023

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1
1:00 TO 6:00 PM • NAB 4414



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

KATHRYN B. ANDERSON, MD/PHD CTROP MED

Commissioner of Health, Onondaga County Health Department

Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology

Department of Medicine

SUNY Upstate Medical University

SPEAKERS



BIRX NOLAN, MD



ADRIAN PROUMEN, DO



RACHEL SAGER, PhD



REBECCA SAGER, MD/PHD



KENTARO TAKAHASHI, PhD

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- 1:00 Welcome – Mark Schmitt, PhD
Dean, College of Graduate Studies
Opening Remarks – Mantosh Dewan, MD
President, Upstate Medical University
- 1:15 Adrian Proumen, DO (Resident; Anesthesiology)
“Vortex Approach to Airway Management Pilot Project”
- 1:30 Rachel Sager, PhD (Postdoc; Neuroscience & Physiology)
“Diverging Trajectories of Cytokine
Expression During Postnatal Development of the Human
Dorsolateral Prefrontal Cortex”
- 1:4 Break
- 5 Birx Nolan, MD (Resident; OBGYN)
2:0 “Increased cervical diameter is associated with failure of
0 sentinel lymph node mapping in patients with endometrial
cancer.”
- 2:15 Kentaro Takahashi, PhD (Postdoc; Pharmacology)
“Obesity dysregulates Chromatin response to hypoxia
that governs metabolic programming and dying cell
clearance in macrophages”
- 2:30 Rebecca Sager, MD/PhD (Resident; Urology)
“Regulation of protein phosphatase 5 (PP5) activity and
substrate release by phosphorylation and SUMOylation”
- 2:4 Break
- 5 Keynote: Kathryn B. Anderson, MD, PhD CTropMed
3:0 Commissioner of Health,
0 Onondaga County Health Department
Associate Professor,
Department of Microbiology and Immunology
Department of Medicine SUNY Upstate Medical University

POSTER SESSION AND RECEPTION

4 - 5:30 Poster Session

4:30 Reception begins

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL SHAUNA ARNOLD AT ARNOLDSH@UPSTATE.EDU

Afternoon Tea with Dr. Jay Vyas, MD, PhD

An MD/PhD Event

Tuesday, March 7th

3:00 - 4:00

WH 3111

Jay Vyas, MD, PhD

Program Director, Internal Medicine Residency Program
Associate Physician in Medicine



Please join us for quality discussion surrounding MDPHD training/career philosophy with light snacks and beverages.

All MD/PhD students are welcome. This is an especially terrific opportunity for those interested in internal medicine and/or physician scientist training programs.

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Book Club

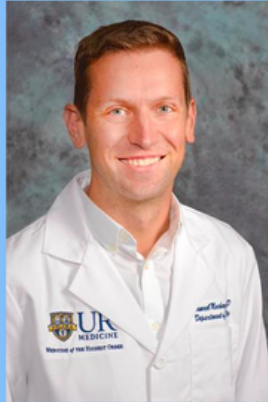
Living, learning and reading together



Interested in learning more and/or contributing ideas for our MD/PhD Book club? Virtual interest meeting with Dr. Dhamoon will be held on **March 23, 2023 at 5:00pm**. The zoom link will go out closer to this date.

Student Research Day

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 | 1- 6 p.m.
Agenda coming soon!



Keynote Speaker

Samuel J. Mackenzie, M.D., Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Child Neurology, Neuromuscular Disease, and Neuroscience at University of Rochester Medical Center

Poster Presentation Deadline - Don't miss this great Career Opportunity

Wednesday, March 01, 2023 by 4 p.m.

FREE Poster Design Deadline

Monday, March 13 by 5 p.m. No Exceptions!

Before registering, please read all the guidelines for abstracts and for the the FREE poster information.

Register Here

News, Publications + Announcements

EXPLORING THE LIVER IN LUPUS



**The
Informed
Patient**
PODCAST

WITH GUEST:
MD/PhD STUDENT AKSHAY PATEL

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Researcher probes complex interactions of
disease and organ

February 2023 publication:

Ly-6A-Induced Growth Inhibition and Cell Death
in a Transformed CD4+ T Cell Line: Role of Tumor
Necrosis Factor- α

Announcement: Sometime soon, Andrea Cifonelli (formally Andrea Rhea) will be granted an updated email address reflecting recent name change. Please be aware of the new alias. Thanks!