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NEWSLETTER

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Message from Andrea

I want to extend a note of appreciation for those who graciously scheduled time to welcome our visitors and participate in Accepted Student Days. Thank-you especially to Jess and Matty (student members of our welcoming committee), anyone involved in interview days and to all the student buddies. It is important to continue this trend of increased student engagement with recruitment. It is important, too, for them to see student life for real (shout-out to Jess and Tyler for opening up their homes). Please feel free to reach out if you have any suggestions for next year's recruitment cycle.

This is an eventful month and we are in our final stretch for the Grand Rounds presentations. Our last one for the semester is April 4th.

Finally, happy birthday to our fearless leader, Dr. Dhamoon! His birthday is March 27th, but, as he remains triumphant in the March birthday category, we shall celebrate all month long!

Happy Birthday



March 27

ICYMI

Program Highlight- Fostering the future of physician scientists: Upstate Medical University's MD/PhD program paves the way with innovative support initiatives and community building

AOA Visiting Professorship

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 | 3:10 - 3:50 p.m. | Setnor 4507
AOA MD/PhD Graduate Student discussion by Lily Peng,
MD, PhD

Note: New time is from 3:10 - 3:50 pm.

Dr. Lily Peng, MD, PhD will be coming to campus. She will be holding a presentation “Artificial Intelligence: Bridging the Gap from Bench to Bedside” Tuesday, March 5, 2024 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Room 2231, Weiskotten Hall.

Following her presentation there will be an opportunity for MD/PhD and graduate students to have an information discussion with her on Tuesday, March 5 from 3:10 - 3:50 pm please register at: https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Zgr1XCZe3UGJ-IPPC_umPM_Y2RyklthvJ-t0tTbL-VUMUNVQORMWllMME5RM0daOEtaSjVKSDk5Ri4u

BEYOND THE DOCTORATE RESEARCH DAY

FEATURING THE RESEARCH OF UPSTATE POSTDOCS, RESIDENTS & FELLOWS



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Mikki Kollisch, MD

Assistant Professor for Surgery and Pediatrics
SUNY Upstate Medical University

*"The Physician-Scientist:
Complement or Contradiction"*

SPEAKERS:



Amanda Eisinger, MD
Resident: Internal Medicine



Emmanuel Ijezie, PhD
Postdoc: Microbiology & Immunology



George Koutsouras, MD
Resident: Neurosurgery



Somanath Kundu, PhD
Postdoc: Neuroscience & Physiology



Bharat Rawlley, MD
Resident: Internal Medicine



**João Carlos
Ribeiro-Silva, PhD**
Postdoc: Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences



Fathima Suhail, MD
Fellow: Gastroenterology



**Arunkumar
Venkatesan, PhD**
Postdoc: Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences



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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 • 1:00 - 5:30 PM

Oral Presentations: NAB 4414 B/C, 1:00 - 4:00

Poster Session: NAB 4414 A, 4:00 - 5:30

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Student Research Day

March 19, 2024

The Charles Ross Memorial Student Research Day will be held on
March 19, 2024 from 1- 6 p.m.

Student Research Day will begin with the presentations
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Welcome, Opening Remarks and Student
Presentations

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Elizabeth Repasky, PhD,
Professor, Vice-Chair of Immunology and Program Leader for the
Cancer Stress Biology Program at the Roswell Park
Comprehensive Cancer Center.

4 - 5:30 p.m. Poster presentations will take place in NAB 4414
ABC

Abstract Submission Deadline has passed.

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