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Dr. Bellew

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Rivaroxaban-induced Leukocytoclastic Vasculitis: Something to Keep in Mind. Regional Meeting, Southern Society of General Internal Medicine, Atlanta, February 19, 2016.

G Chaaya, J Jaller-Char, E Ghaffar, A Castiglioni.
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Presentations Continued

Dr. Cendan
- Understanding Medical Students’ Perceptions of Medical Professionalism at Different Stages of Medical Education. Regional Meeting, Southern Society of General Internal Medicine, Atlanta, February 20, 2016.

Dr. Davidson
- Remote Catalysis: Coupling Long Range Electron Transfer to Radical-Mediated Chemistry. Invited seminar at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, February 2016

Dr. Davey

Dr. Hernandez
- Understanding Medical Students’ Perceptions of Medical Professionalism at Different Stages of Medical Education. Regional Meeting, Southern Society of General Internal Medicine, Atlanta, February 20, 2016.

Dr. Morris
- A multi-level learner Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) simulating internal medicine bedside team interactions. Regional Meeting, Southern Society of General Internal Medicine, Atlanta, February 19, 2016.

Dr. Rhode
- Turning the Tide on TB with New Drugs and Diagnostics. Invited talk at the University of Georgia, Department of Infectious Diseases, 2016.

Awards and Service

Dr. Altimare’s Lab
- Learning Institute for Elders (LIFE at UCF) Gerontology Applied Research Award granted to student Sarah Gitto
- UCF Order of Pegasus Award granted to student Sarah Gitto
- Outstanding Student Leader Recognition by the UCF LEAD Scholar Academy recognizing student Sarah Gitto

Dr. Castiglioni
- Served as Mentoring Chair at the Regional Meeting of the Southern Society of General Internal Medicine in Atlanta, GA on February 18-20, 2016.
- Recognized as Institutional Champion by the Southern Society of General Internal Medicine.

Dr. Ratna Charkrabarti’s Lab
- Student Samuel Harris received the first prize in Life Science II category for his poster “A study on the mechanism of loss of expression of microRNAs in cell lines developed from racially disparate patients”.
- Student Alexia Bossan got honorable mention in Life Science I category for her poster “The function of FGD4 and its role in the development of drug-resistant prostate cancer”.

Dr. Cole
- Inducted to the UCF’s Scroll & Quill Society which recognizes educators whose outstanding and sustained achievements have brought national and international attention to the university.
- Received a R21 for his project titled: Augmenting innate immunity to combat nasal carriage of Staphylococcus aureus

Dr. Davidson
- Received the University of Central Florida 2016 Research Incentive Award

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Ms. Dexter

- Named Librarian of the Year by the Florida Health Sciences Library Association.

Dr. Fernandez-Valle

- Received an award from the Children’s Tumor foundation for her project titled: In Vivo Studies based on Cenix Data.

Dr. Gibson

- Appointed to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Molecular Diagnostics.

Dr. Gorman

- Awarded the American Society Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics Division of Educators Academy of Educators Award.
- Received life-time induction into the Academy of Educators in recognition for excellence in contributions to national pharmacology education in innovation, teaching, and educational scholarship.

Dr. Mollie Jewett

- Received the College of Medicine Award for Excellence in Research.

Dr. Travis Jewett

- Received a R21 for his project titled: Molecular dissection of the Chlamydia trachomatis Tarp effector invivo.

Dr. Kay

- Appointed as a Spring 2016 Fellow for UCF Center for Success of Women Faculty.

Dr. Khaled

- Received the UCF Reach for the Stars Award.

Dr. Self

- Inducted to the UCF’s Scroll & Quill Society which recognizes educators whose outstanding and sustained achievements have brought national and international attention to the university.

Dr. Strutt

- Received a NIH NIAID R21 award for “Memory CD4 T Cell Regulation of Innate Lymphoid Cells”

Dr. Topping

- Nominated to the Educational Affairs Committee for the American Association of Anatomists for a three year term 2016-2019.

Dr. Willenberg

- Awarded Grand Challenges Explorations $100,000 Grant From the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation- Coloring Mosquitoes To Identify Those Carrying Infectious Diseases

Dr. Yoon-Seong Kim

- Received an award from the Michael J Fox Foundation for Parkinson’s Research for his project titled: TET1 plays a key role as repressor in regulation of a-synuclein expression in Parkinson’s disease.

Dr. Jihe Zhao

- Received the UCF 2016 Research Incentive Award