

2024 Medical Student Podium Presentations

Medicine in Motion: Better Sleep and Physical Activity Improves Future Physician Functioning and Well-being

Jae Ermer, Johnson Khor, Michael Mullen, Analie Fernandes, Cheyenne Low, Brian Gutierrez, Jemma King



The impacts and efficacy of iSTAT Lactate levels in the Emergency Department.

Colton Paterson BA, Min Kang BS, Charleston West DO, Lisa Birdsall Fort MD

**21st Annual Ochsner Health
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Liver-Directed Therapy Modality-Specific Outcomes Controlling for Index Tumor Size in Early- to Intermediate-Stage Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Ava Zamani, Kelley Nunez PhD, Tyler Sandow MD, Juan Gimenez MD, Ari Cohen MD, Paul Thevenot PhD

Classification of Eustachian Tube Dysfunction Phenotypes

Jenilkumar Patel MS, Manal Malik BS, Robbie Beyl PhD, Edward McCoul MD, MPH

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Ava Zamani

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Can implementation of tighter blood pressure control targets reduce preterm delivery for patients with chronic hypertension?

Sharon Shu, MD

Mentor: Frank Williams, MD

Identifying targetable Cancer Stem Cell Biomarkers in Conventional Therapy Resistant Rectal Cancer

Abi Balarajan, MD

Mentor: Li Li, MD

Goodbye Narcotics: Exploring Multimodal Care Alternatives for Pediatric Tympanostomy Tube Placement

Sayantane Das, MD

Mentor: Luis Salcedo, MD

Effect of continuous glucose monitoring on glycemic control in pregnant type 1 diabetic patients living in high deprivation areas

Kali Juracek, MD

Mentor: Frank Williams, MD

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Characterization of the Female Population Living with HIV in the Ochsner System

Taylor Ogden, MD

Mentor: Dodd Denton, MD

Quantifying the Impact of Ride-Share Services for Vulnerable Patients

Audrey Shawley, MD

Mentor: Kathy Jo Carstarphen, MD

The Impact of Diagnosis on Healthcare Utilization and Treatment Adherence in Patients with Functional Neurological Disorder at a Public Hospital

Marlie Winslow, MD

Mentor: David Galarneau, MD

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Salima Qamruddin, MD

Medical Student Research Mentor of the Year



“Despite the demands of her clinical responsibilities, Dr. Qamruddin consistently made time for our collaborative efforts. Whether it was after 5 p.m. or amidst hectic hospital schedules, she remained dedicated to our project, fostering an environment of curiosity and shared learning.”

“Her guidance has not only enriched my understanding of cardiology but has also influenced my career aspirations, igniting a keen interest to pursue an internal medicine residency with a potential specialization in cardiology.”

“Dr. Qamruddin's unwavering commitment to mentoring make her a candidate for the UQ OCS Medical Student Mentor award. I am grateful for her mentorship and the impact it has had on my research experience at Ochsner.”

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