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DOS RESEARCH DAY

Thanks to everybody who joined us for the 4th Annual DOS Research Day. We had a great turnout with 48 poster presentations from 18 different groups within DOS. Congratulations to the following for their excellent presentations:

Best Posters in Basic Science:

1st Place: Joohee Han (Davydova) - Oncolytic Adenovirus-Mediated Interferon Expression Augments Chemoradiation Therapy in Immunocompetent Pancreatic Cancer Model

2nd Place: Elizabeth Lusczek (Beilman) - Scale-free Muscle and Serum Metabolic Networks: Differing Responses in Porcine Traumatic Injury and Hemorrhagic Shock According to Feeding State

Best Posters in Clinical Science:

1st Place: Janet Lee (Rothenberger): Purse-string closure of the stoma site leads to fewer wound infections: results from a multicenter randomized control trial

2nd Place: Derrick Green (Santilli) - Who Receives Endovascular Aneurysm Repair in the United States?

Congratulations to the following individuals who were awarded the DOS Research Grant Award for Young Investigators. We received 20 applications, both basic science and clinical, from numerous divisions. The amount of this award is $10,000.

- Usman Barlass, MBBS (Post Doc)
  Mentor: Ashok K. Saluja
  *Evaluation of the Role of Morphine on Cerulein Induced Pancreatic Injury and Regeneration*

- Jeremy Drees, BS (PhD Student)
  Mentor: Dan Saltzman
  *Immunotherapy of 4T1 breast cancer by local delivery of IL-15 and anti-immunoinhibitory single chain antibodies using Salmonella enterica as a tumor-targeting vector*

- Ehren Rudolph, MD, PhD (Resident)
  Mentor: Eric Finger
  *Prolongation of Islet Graft Survival Using OX40 Blockade and Ex-Vivo Expanded Regulatory T Cells*

RESEARCH DAY

Thanks also to everyone who joined us for this year’s Resident Research Day. Congratulations to the following for their excellent abstract presentations:
Excellence in Clinical Research: Vikas Dudeja - JAK-2 Downregulation Sensitizes Pancreatic Cancer Cells to TRAIL Induced Cell Death

Excellence in Basic Science Research: Teresa Gonzaga - Incidence and Risk Factors for Clinically Diagnosed Burn Wound Cellulitis: 3-Year Analysis of 1640 Patients

PRESENTATIONS


VOLUNTEERING

On Wednesday, June 5, 26 individuals, including members of the Department of Surgery and their families, came together to help cook, serve food, and visit with approximately 110 guests of the Simpson House, where daily meals are provided for individuals experiencing homelessness. Located in downtown Minneapolis, Simpson House is devoted to housing, supporting, and advocating for homeless members of the community.

In addition to the time spent preparing and serving food, more than $1600 was donated by Department faculty and staff to support the cause.

A BIG thank you to you all!
RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Do you see someone working hard in your area and contributing to the department's success by fulfilling our mission, vision and values? If so, take a moment to **nominate** this person for an Employee Recognition Award.

Two Employee Recognition Awards will be given out each month—one for staff and one for faculty, fellows, and residents. All Department of Surgery employees can nominate another employee in the department, including the Surgical Administrative Center.

Completed **nomination forms** should be sent to Michelle Lunden.

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