Infectious Diseases Division Newsletter

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Awards and Honors

Congratulations to Alex Drelick, who was selected for the Medical Clinical Research Training Program (MCRTP).

Congratulations to Carrie Johnston, who won the Department of Medicine Young Investigator Award on June 30th.

Congratulations to Kohta Saito, who won The 2020-2021 Faculty Excellence Award, as voted by the fellows, on June 29th.

Congratulations to Harjot Singh, who is now a Member of The SHEA Diagnostic Stewardship Task Force.
Appointments and Transitions

Congratulations to **Noemi (Emi) Linden**, a Research Institute of Molecular Pathology (IMP) PhD student, who will be joining the Jones’ Lab.

Congratulations to **Yesha Malik**, who joined the I.D. Division as Instructor of Medicine on July 1st.

Congratulations to **Joshua Rosenblatt**, who joined the I.D. Division as Instructor of Medicine on July 1st.
Grants

Congratulations to **Matthew Bendall**, who successfully competed for one of five slots for The Department of Medicine Fund for the Future Program, with his proposal: “Elucidating the role of endogenous retrovirus expression in primary melanoma and metastasis”.

Congratulations to **Laura Kirkman**, for her Tri-Institutional, Therapeutics Discovery Institute (Tri-I TDI) project: "Advancing novel antimalarial compounds identified through a new phenotypic in vitro screen that models Plasmodium falciparum growth in humans.”

Congratulations to **Mike Satlin**, for the 3-year renewal of his William Randolph Hearst Clinical Scholar Award.

Congratulations to **Tom Walsh**, who was selected for a Save Our Sick Kids Foundation grant on May 18th.
On July 13th, Grant Ellsworth will give a talk entitled “Prevention of Anal Cancer In Persons Living With HIV: How Should We Screen and Will Vaccines Make a Difference?” for the International Antiviral Society-USA. Linked here.

On June 28th, Teresa Evering gave a talk entitled “Translational Research: The Journey from Bench to Bedside” for the Weill-Ithaca Summer Experience in Research (WISER) Program.

On June 29th, Trip Gulick presented the annual “State of the ID Division” talk, attended by over 100 people. Slides attached.
On June 9th, **Priya Kodiyanplakkal** and **Ayana Morales** gave talks for the Leadership in Academic Medicine Program (LAMP) Conference.

On June 3rd, **Doug Nixon** gave a talk for the Global COVID Lab Meeting for the Human Vaccines Project entitled “COVID-19: Can Old Vaccines Have New Tricks?”, which can be viewed [here](#).
On June 21st, the ID Fellowship Graduation for the Class of 2021 was celebrated:

A patient and their family commented:

“You have a wonderful doctors particularly in Dr. Walsh .... You are the best hospital in NYC. His medical knowledge, bedside manner, and separation of facts from history has made the difference in saving my life. Thank you. We are truly grateful that we still have our daughter And that her beautiful son, has his mother home.”
**Lish Ndhlovu** was featured in The [WCM Newsroom](#) on June 7th for his research and publication: “Antibody-based CCR5 blockade protects Macaques from mucosal SHIV transmission”.

**Tim Powell** was featured in The [WCM Newsroom](#) in June for his publication: “Genetic risk for severe COVID-19 correlates with lower inflammatory marker levels in a SARS-CoV-2-negative cohort”.

**Dr. Segal-Maurer** was featured in The Washington Post on May 29th: “Babesiosis, a dangerous tick-borne infection that attacks red blood cells, appears to be a growing problem”.


Important Dates


Celebration of Charles Vorkas, MD. Afternoon, details to come.

ID Faculty Meeting (8:30 am). Linked here.

IDWeek 2021 will take place from September 29th through October 3rd. Register here.
- Late breaker deadline: August 18th
- Early registration deadline: August 27th

Department of Medicine Research Retreat. Abstract deadline: August 27th