

DOM NEWS BLAST

The LSU Department of Medicine Weekly Communication

Congratulations to all our Residents who participated in the Louisiana ACP meeting. Three of our residents won awards including:

For Oral Presentations:

1st place - Pickering Syndrome
Ross Dies, Mandie DiMarco PA, Jack Hebert MS, William Gibson MD, Domonique Smith MD, Brian Coe MD, Arash Ataei MD, Seth Vignes MD; Louisiana State University, New Orleans, LA.



For Posters:

2nd place - Leptospirosis: An Uncommon Cause of Fever and Transaminitis in the Continental United States
Allen Byl, Hope Oddo Moise, MD; Danielle Gilbert, DO, MPH; Michael Olejniczak, MD; Ashley Misky, DO; Tom Fox, MD; Alexa Lapointe, MD; Michael Modica, MD; Michelle Blyth, MD; Louisiana State University, New Orleans, LA.



3rd place - Recurrent Chylothorax Secondary to Kaposi Sarcoma Infiltration of Thoracic Duct in AIDS Patient
Gurtaj Mahil, Brandon Dang MD, Tamara Zaza MD, Victoria Lulich MD, Zachary Chandler DO, Kyle Happel MD, Shane Guillory MD; Louisiana State University, New Orleans, LA.



Great Work Everyone!

ACP LA Chapter Annual Meeting and Resident/Student Meeting a Huge Success.
A shout out to the members of the ACP planning committee (Drs Engel, Lopez, Johnson, Sanne, Hebert, Mitchell, Oddo-Moise and Matrana) who worked for months to identify speakers, review abstracts, create jeopardy questions, judge cases and recruit students. Thanks to our guest speakers who gave exceptional presentations: Drs. Jameel Ahmed, Cat Hudson and Angie Johnson. Thanks to our program director panel who provided advice to our student participants: Dr. Sanne and Lauret. A final thanks to our judges who volunteered their Saturday to judge the ACP oral and poster presentations: Drs. Victoria Burke, Angie Johnson, Brooks Robey, Tat Yau, Marcelle Rousseau, Ashaur Azhar, Mohammed Ziada, Michael Millet, Lee Engel, Sanjay Kamboj, Jorge Martinez, Catherine Hebert, Hope Oddo, Shane Sanne, Dexter Matrana and Allison Pinner.

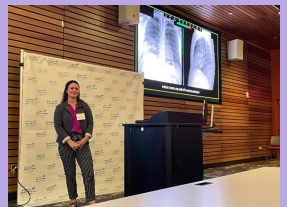
LSUHSC SOM New Orleans was well represented!



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The Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine section held its 69th Annual Tri-State Pulmonary Case Conference Seminar at UMC on January 18, 2025. The day featured a wonderful assortment of fascinating pulmonary case presentations by visiting programs including University of Alabama-Birmingham, University of South Alabama, University of Mississippi Medical Center, and LSU Shreveport as well as local presentations by the LSUHSC New Orleans and Tulane programs. This year's keynote, "Risk Stratification and Catheter-Directed Therapy for Acute Pulmonary Embolism", was given by Dr. Roger Yusen, Associate Professor of Medicine in the John T. Milliken Department of Internal Medicine's Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. The event was well attended and a huge success. Thanks to UMC, Ochsner, LSU Shreveport, and Tulane for their shared support of this academic event.



Dr. Pia Chowdry (Hematology-Oncology) was interviewed by Soledad O'Brien about caring for patients at Lallie Kemp Hospital. The interview will be aired on **Matter of Fact with Soledad O'Brien**, February 15th and 16th on the stations and times below:

- Alexandria:** KALB on Sunday @ 10:30 a.m.
- Baton Rouge:** WVLA on Sunday @ 6:00 a.m.
- Lafayette:** KLFY on Saturday @ 5:00 a.m.
- Lake Charles:** KSWL on Sunday @ 7:30 a.m.
- New Orleans:** WDSU on Saturday @ 5:00 a.m. & Sunday @ 11:30 p.m.
WDSU-MeTV on Sunday @ 3:00 a.m.
- Shreveport:** KMSS on Sunday @ 9:30 p.m.



Congratulations, Dr. Chowdry!

Dr. Mihran Nalajayan (Nephrology & Hypertension) has been selected to join the American Society of Nephrology (ASN) Centers of Excellence in Home Dialysis Workgroup. The workgroup will develop criteria to define how a home dialysis facility may be distinguished as center of excellence in home dialysis. In addition, Dr. Nalajayan's abstract titled "Characterization of Pediatric Patients Initiating Dialysis in a Network of Centers with Common Governance" has been selected as the top abstract and oral presentation at the Annual Dialysis Conference. He will be presenting the abstract at the meeting in Las Vegas in March.



Congratulations, Dr. Nalajayan!