

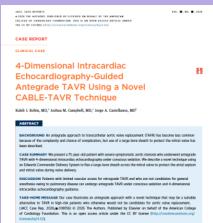
DOM NEWS BLAST

The LSU Department of Medicine Weekly Communication

Dr. Cathy Lazarus (Comprehensive Medicine) and Dr. Murtuza Ali (Cardiology) were recognized by the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) Chair, Dr. Reena Karani, and President, Dr. Peter Katsufakis, for service on an NBME or USMLE committee in 2025. Dr Lazarus served on the Stemmler Grants Committee responsible for selecting proposals of research projects that are funded through the Stemmler Grants annually. Dr. Zee Ali served on the USMLE Interdisciplinary Review Committee. IRC members are responsible for the review and approval of all items in the test item library; they ensure the accuracy and currency of items included in the examinations.



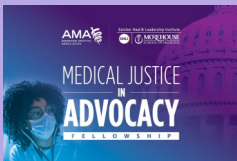
Dr. Michelle Blyth (Infectious Diseases) recently published in a special issue of Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs Journal a review titled "From Ebola to Feline Infectious Peritonitis: The Cross-Species Journey of GS-441524 and the Future of Antiviral Translation".



Dr. Kaleb Robin and Dr. Josh Campbell (Baton Rouge IM Residents) along with Dr. Jorge Castellanos (Baton Rouge Cardiology) published a case report in JACC: Case Reports titled, "4-Dimensional Intracardiac Echocardiography-Guided Antegrade TAVR Using a Novel CABLE-TAVR Technique".



Congratulations to the PM&R Residency Program faculty and leadership, including Dr. Trevor Boudreaux, Dr. Marc Raj, and Dr. Gary Glynn on the outstanding performance of the 3rd year residents on the Electrodiagnostic Self-Assessment Examination (EDX SAE), All six residents scored above the 75th percentile on the test.



Dr. Seth Vignes (Hospital medicine) was selected for the fourth cohort of the Medical Justice in Advocacy fellowship, sponsored by the American Medical Association and the Satcher Health Leadership Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine.



Dr. Katherine Cates (Gastroenterology Fellow) completed the inaugural IUSCAN intestinal ultrasound training course earlier this month. She was one of only 4 fellows from the south (with two from TX and one FL) to be in this very small cohort to start a path from module 1 through eventual completion. This is a huge accomplishment and demonstrates how intestinal ultrasound has grown and transformed the IBD clinic and training.