LSUHSC School of Medicine Class of 2025

Honors in Research – Spring 2025

Sarah Jane Aleman

Mentor: Alison Smith, MD, PhD

Project Title: Splenic artery embolization in the treatment of blunt splenic injury: single

level 1 trauma center experience

Meva Beganovic

Mentor: Stefany Primeaux, PhD

Project Title: Role of Taste Receptor Gene Variations (SNPs) on Diet Intake and Diet

Quality in Male and Female Adolescents

Sloane Marcello Clay

Mentor: Fern Tsien PhD

Project Title: Bioinformatics characterization of variants of uncertain significance in

pediatric sensorineural hearing loss

Michael Vincent Forte

Mentor: Alan D. Kaye, MD, PhD, DABA, DABPM, DABIPP, FASA
Project Title: Pathophysiology and Evolving Treatment Options of Septic Arthritis: A
Narrative Review & Advancing Treatment in Atopic Dermatitis: A
Comprehensive Review of Clinical Efficacy, Safety, and Comparative
Insights into Corticosteroids, Calcineurin Inhibitors, and Phophodiesterase4 Inhibitors as Topical Therapies

Breyanah Michelle Graham

Mentor: Amelia Jernigan, MD

Project Title: Using an Augmented SAMANTA Score to Screen At-Risk Women Seeking

Bariatric Surgery for Postmenopausal or Abnormal Uterine Bleeding

Tyler Dane Hernandez

Mentor: Christopher Haas, MD, FAAD

Project Title: JAK Inhibitors in Hidradenitis Suppurativa: A Systematic Review

Shivani Jain

Mentor: Alexandra Fairchild, MD; Hector Ferral, MD Project Title: *Cirrhosis and Sarcopenia*

Davis Edward Martin

Mentor: Luis Marrero PhD

Project Title: Insights into Quadriceps Health from the Articularis Genu of Osteoarthritis

Patients

Alison Karee Schafer

Mentor: Cody Roi, DO, MPH

Project Title: Screen Time Trends in an Outpatient Behavioral Health Clinic

Ryan James Schroeder

Mentor: Luis Marrero PhD

Project Title: Novel Interleukin-11 Inhibitors Attenuate Collagen in Arthrofibrosis Patient-Derived Fibroblastic Synoviocytes In Vitro

Madeline Lechtenberg Stewart

Mentor: Herb A. Phelan III, MD, MSCS, FACS
Project Title: A Pilot Study of Hand Autografts Treated with Autologous Skin Cell
Suspension

Harrison James Travis

Mentor: Alison Smith MD, PhD

Project Title: Does Vehicle Intrusion Alone Still Predict Injury: A Retrospective Analysis of Mechanism as Trauma Activation Criteria

Selby May White

Mentor: Jessica A. Zagory, MD

Project Title: A Comparative Analysis of Zip Code Discordance in Pediatric Gunshot Wounds