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RESIDENT AND FELLOW  
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DALLAS PETROLEUM CLUB



### From the Chair

Dr. Mark Goldberg

Eleven residents and fourteen fellows celebrated the completion of their training at **Graduation 2016** held at the Dallas Petroleum Club.

In this special edition newsletter, we recap the night with award winners and photos from the evening. We will also tell you where our trainees are headed next.

Congratulations to all and thank you to our program directors and education coordinators!



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## DR. HAL UNWIN OUTSTANDING RESIDENT AWARD



Divyanshu Dubey, M.B.B.S., pictured with Dr. Steven Vernino and Dr. Shilpa Chitnis, was recognized for his patient care, teaching and research. He was named the **Outstanding Adult Resident for 2015-2016**. Dr. Dubey also won the **Parkland Hospital Outpatient Award, Resident Teaching Award**, and the **Weisberg-Rivera Manuscript Award**.



Dallas Stobaugh, M.D., pictured with Dr. Rana Said, served as the 2015-2016 Chief Resident for the Child Neurology Residency Program. She was named **Outstanding Child Neurology Resident** and received the **Children's Medical Center Neurology Clinic and Neuroscience Floor** awards for patient care. Dr. Stobaugh was also recognized for her teaching.

## STEPHEN DAMM MEMORIAL AWARD FOR COMPASSION AND EXCELLENCE



**Dr. Myrtle Jeroudi** was recognized for her excellence and compassion in patient care with the **Stephen Damm Memorial Award**. Damm was an influential advocate for quality patient care during his tenure with Children's Medical Center and as a cancer patient. His wife Tyra, and children, Cooper and Katie, presented the award along with Dr. Shilpa Chitnis, who was one of Steve's physicians.



## PARKLAND HOSPITAL INPATIENT ADULT RESIDENT AWARD



Niravkumar Barot, M.B.B.S., was honored with the **Parkland Hospital Inpatient Award**. Parkland nurses choose the recipient of this award.

## DR. ROGER ROSENBERG OUTSTANDING FELLOW AWARD



**Outstanding Fellow** for 2015-2016 was **Drew Thodeson, M.D.**, who trained in Clinical Neurophysiology and Epilepsy. Pictured with Dr. Steven Vernino.

## TREPHINED CRANIUM AWARD



Residents bestowed the **Trephined Cranium Award** on **Dr. Edward Pan** in recognition of his revamping of the Neuro-Oncology Clinic. Photo: (l-r) Adult Chief Residents, Shaida Khan and Nirav Barot; Dr. Edward Pan, and Child Neurology Chief Resident Dallas Stobaugh.

## FRED BASKIN YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD



### RESEARCH DAYS

Our adult and pediatric residency programs held Research Days in Spring 2016 during which several research awards were presented. All trainees (medical students, residents and fellows) were invited to present research posters, while senior residents gave presentations on the culmination of their research projects.



Dr. Roger Rosenberg (left) and Dr. Steven Vernino (right) presented the **Fred Baskin Young Investigator Award** to **Dr. Afsaneh Shirani** (top), and **Dr. Ram Narayan** (bottom) for their research. Dr. Narayan also won a **Resident Teaching Award** presented at graduation.



## ADULT NEUROLOGY RESIDENTS TAKE NEXT STEP



### WHERE ARE THEY HEADED?

(FROM L-R)

**Divyanshu Dubey, M.B.B.S.**

Autoimmune Neurology  
Fellowship  
Mayo Clinic, Rochester

**Erica Rivas, M.D.**

Neuroimmunology Fellowship  
USC

**Shaida Khan, D.O.**

Neuromuscular Fellowship  
UT Southwestern

**Lu Lin, M.D., Ph.D.**

Epilepsy Fellowship, Boston

**Blake Freeman, M.D.**

Epilepsy Fellowship  
UT Southwestern

**Nirav Barot, M.B.B.S.**

Epilepsy Fellowship  
Thomas Jefferson University

**Ram Narayan, M.B.B.S.**

Multiple Sclerosis Fellowship  
UT Southwestern

(not pictured)

**Myrtle Jeroudi, M.D.**

Clinical Neurophysiology  
Fellowship, Houston



Adult Neurology Residents with Neurology Residency Program Directors, Dr. Steve Vernino and Dr. Shilpa Chitnis.

## CHILD NEUROLOGY RESIDENTS TAKE NEXT STEP

### WHERE ARE THEY HEADED?

(FROM L-R)

**Deepali Eksambe, M.D.**

Private Practice, India

**Eric Remster, M.D.**

Headache Fellowship

UT Southwestern

**Dallas Stobaugh, M.D.**

Epilepsy Fellowship

St. Christopher's Hospital for

Children, Philadelphia



Child Neurology Residents with Dr. Rana Said, Director of Child Neurology Residency Program (second from right), and Kellie Shaw, Education Coordinator (far right).

(on right) Two years in a row, folks! The awesome and agile duo of Kellie Shaw and Dr. Rana Said. (below, l-r) Deepali Eksambe, Eric Remster and Dallas Stobaugh.





## FELLOWS HEAD INTO THE FUTURE



**Trung Nguyen, M.D., Ph.D.**, pictured with Behavioral Neurology Fellowship Director Dr. Mary Quiceno, has joined our faculty as Assistant Professor. He is the first graduate of the new Behavioral Neurology Fellowship.



**Aashoo Mentreddi, M.D.**, pictured with Movement Disorders Fellowship Director Dr. Shilpa Chitnis, is joining a private practice in Dallas.



**Rashedul Hasan, M.D.**, pictured with Stroke Fellowship Director Dr. Mark Johnson, is on staff at Baylor Scott & White in Dallas.



**Zabeen Mahuwala, M.D.**, pictured with Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship Director Dr. Ryan Hays and Dr. Deepa Sirsi, has joined the faculty at the University of Kentucky.



**Drew Thodeson, M.D.**, pictured with Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship Director Dr. Ryan Hays and Dr. Deepa Sirsi, has joined the faculty as Assistant Professor and has been accepted into the Clinical Scholars Program.



**Cristina Wohlegehagen, M.D.**, pictured with Headache Medicine Fellowship Director Dr. Deborah Friedman, joined our faculty as an Instructor.

## FELLOWS HEAD INTO THE FUTURE



**Noly Pierre-Louis, M.D.**, pictured with Neurocritical Care Fellowship Director Dr Stephen Figueroa, will train as a fellow in Neurointerventional Stroke with the Medical Center of Plano.



**Shraddha Mainali, M.D.**, pictured with Neurocritical Care Fellowship Director Dr Stephen Figueroa, will join the faculty at Ohio State University as Assistant Professor.



**Safia Khan, M.D.**, pictured with Sleep Fellowship Director Dr. Gregory Carter, and Dr. Won Lee, Medical Director of the Clinical Center of Sleep and Breathing Disorders Program, has joined our faculty as Instructor.



**Abdulradha Alqallaf, M.D.**, pictured with Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship Director Dr. Ryan Hays, will stay on at UT Southwestern as a Movement Disorders Fellow.



**Andrea Lowden, M.D.**, pictured with Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship Director Dr. Ryan Hays and Dr. Deepa Sirsi, will join our faculty in October 2016.



**Meredith Bryarly, M.D.**, completed a fellowship in Neuromuscular Disorders under the direction of Dr. Jaya Trivedi. She will be our first Autonomic Disorders Fellow.



## FELLOWS HEAD INTO THE FUTURE



**Omar Olghawanmeh, M.D.**, completed a fellowship in Clinical Neurophysiology and joins the staff at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland, Kentucky.



**Yathish Haralur-Sreekantaiah, M.D.**, completed a Vascular Neurology fellowship and will train in Neuroimaging at Dent Neurological Institute.

## FUTURE FELLOWS AND RESIDENTS?





## THANK YOU!

A big **“Thank You!”** goes out to our Program Directors and Education Coordinators who made our graduation ceremony a big success, but most importantly, who work hard all year-round to make all of our programs strong.



Dr. Rana Said, Child Neurology Program Director (right) and Kelly Shaw, Education Coordinator, Child Neurology Program.



Dr. Shilpa Chitnis, Adult Neurology Program Assistant Director and Fellowship Programs Director, and Dr. Steve Vernino, Adult Residency Program Director.



Pepper Wedgewood, Supervisor, Education Programs, and Angela Colon, Education Assistant.



Thank you also to our emcees for the evening, **Kyle Blackburn**, Adult Neurology Resident, and **Katherine Labiner**, Child Neurology.

A banner for the Neurology Education and Research Fund. The background features a stylized neuron with glowing yellow nodes. The text is overlaid on the left side.

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