

2015 Research Symposium Awards

We are pleased to announce the following award recipients at the 2015 Research Symposium:

ORAL PRESENTATIONS:

First Place:

G. Paul Wright

Grand Rapids Medical Education Partners General Surgery Residency

“Using Next-Generation Sequencing to Determine Potential Molecularly-Guided Therapy Options for Patients with Resectable Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma”

Second Place:

Stacey L. Thomas

Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Clinical Neurosciences, Spectrum Health System

“Loss of *Sparc* in p53-null Astrocytes Alters Collagen Deposition and Promotes Macrophage Activation Resulting in Decreased Tumor Size”

Third Place (Tie):

A. Samer Al-Homsi

Blood and Marrow Transplantation, Spectrum Health System

“Short Post-Transplant Course of High Dose Cyclophosphamide and Bortezomib for Prevention of Graft-Versus-Host Disease after Matched Related or Unrelated Donor Blood and Marrow Transplant”

Brittany Holly

Michigan State University College of Human Medicine

“In Search of the Adequate Aliquot – Evaluation of Human Fat Xenograft in vivo”

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

First Place:

Nadia Sunny

Grand Valley State University

“Durability of Sutures Used in Partial Nephrectomy: Tested Across Commonly Used Diameters and Materials Stopped with Suture Clips and Ligation Systems under a Given Tension”

Second Place:

William Golembieski

Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Clinical Neurosciences, Spectrum Health System

“Combination Chemotherapy to Suppress HSP27 Phosphorylation in Glioma”

Third Place:

Michael Strug

Department of OB/GYN and Repro Bio, Michigan State University

“Intrauterine hCG Infusion in Oocyte Donors Promotes Uterine Synchrony and Induction of Early Decidual Marker Genes”

CASE REPORTS:

Lou Mitchell

Frederik Meijer Heart and Vascular Institute, Spectrum Health System

“Carvedilol as Treatment for Asymptomatic Decline in Cardiac Function due to Trastuzumab Toxicity”