
2021 Faculty Retreat Features Mix of Live and Zoom Presentations

A rich offering of presentations – delivered both live and on Zoom – marked the NYCPM 2021 Faculty Retreat, held on September 10th for 34 faculty plus staff (all in person) and 11 guests. Altogether, the presentations touched on many aspects of faculty members' professional lives.

Multiple NYCPM faculty and staff presented live to the participants. After **Michael J. Trepal, DPM ('81), FACFAS** made a brief welcome, **Prakash Krishnan, MD**, Clinical Associate Professor in Medical Sciences at NYCPM as well as Associate Professor of Medicine, Cardiology and Radiology, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, presented "Innovations in Peripheral Revascularization," a discussion of medical management of the vascular component of diabetes. **Patricia E. Salkin, JD**, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Touro College & University System; Provost, Graduate and Professional Divisions, Touro College and NYCPM, greeted faculty and updated them about Touro and our pending affiliation.



VP Medical and Professional Affairs Mark H. Swartz, MD, presents at the Faculty Retreat.

Vice President, Medical and Professional Affairs **Mark H. Swartz, MD**, informed faculty about "Shifting Medical Education from Knowledge to Critical Thinking," followed by **Alain Silverio, EdM, EdS**, Assistant Dean of Academic Administration and Outcomes, who updated attendees about the NYCPM Strategic Plan. After a break, **President Louis L. Levine, MA, LHD, CSW** and **Paul Tremblay, MLIS, MA**, distributed awards and certificates to faculty who published in the preceding year (see sidebar). They were followed by **Erin Lynn, EdS**, Learning Specialist at NYCPM, who discussed "Strategies and Enhancements for Teaching

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Most of the guest presentations were on Zoom. Keynoter **Chitra Pai, MD**, Professor Basic Sciences, Course-Coordinator-Integrated Systems, Global Health Program-Site Coordinator, College of Osteopathic Medicine, Touro University California, spoke about “Team-Based Learning to S.P.I.C.E. Up Pedagogy.” Dr. Pai led a presentation and conversation on the implementation and application of team-based learning pedagogy in medical school curriculums. She explained that TBL allows medical educators to provide students with resources for the effective, authentic experience of working in teams to solve real-life clinical problems. She provided a multitude of examples and techniques that the faculty present could use in either clinical or preclinical courses.

Nicole Barnett, JD, Associate General Counsel and Compliance Officer for Touro offered “Admission Interviews Dos and Don’ts,” and **Sally Parent, RN, CWS**, Medical Science Liaison at MiMedx, presented “Medicare Outcomes Analysis & Clinical Trial Experiences with Placental-Derived Allografts,” in which she discussed skin substitutes as well as advanced wound-healing models that present better and earlier outcomes.



Marianna Fedorenko, PharmD, Medical Science Director at Melinta Therapeutics, presented live at the Faculty Retreat.

One guest who was live was **Marianna Fedorenko, PharmD**, Medical Science Director at Melinta Therapeutics, who presented “A Novel Paradigm for Treatment of Acute Bacterial Skin and Skin Structure Infections: The Role of Long-Acting Lipoglycopeptides,” and discussed advanced therapies.

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Drs. Levitz (left) and Glockenberg at the Faculty Retreat.

After a socially distant lunch and Dr. Pai's presentation, **Matrona Giakoumis, DPM** and **Dr. Trepal** updated participants about Faculty Council issues, and then Preclinical and Clinical Interdepartmental Meetings ensued.

A faculty wine and cheese reception – socially distant of course! – ended a full day. Meals and refreshments at the Faculty Retreat were supported by generous donations from Abbott Laboratories, Melinta Therapeutics and MiMedx.

Faculty Authors Recognized During Faculty Retreat

In a Faculty Author Recognition Event at the Faculty Retreat, **President Louis L. Levine, MA, LHD, CSW** and **Paul Tremblay, MLIS, MA**, distributed awards and certificates to faculty who published in the preceding year and gave CME-related lectures. A printed faculty authors bibliography was distributed as well. Per Mr. Tremblay, in 2020, "if a paper has been authored by multiple NYCPM researchers, the item is repeated throughout the bibliography, hence the total of 18 citations. Taking redundancy into account, we have 14 distinct and unique citations of works authored by 13 researchers in the Faculty Bibliography, not including the lectures. As for CME-related (non-NYCPM) sessions/lectures, there were 17 citations, taught by eight instructors."

The combined total of published research, conference presentations and poster presentations, along with CME-related lectures is 25 citations, by 18 authors (three of whom have since left the College). Certificates were distributed to: **Samuel Adegboyega, DPM; Fortunato Battaglia, MD, PhD; Elizabeth M. Bonarigo, DPM; Lorraine Chun, MLIS; Eileen Chusid, PhD; Jeffrey J. Cusack, DPM; Matrona Giakoumis, DPM; Anthony R. Iorio, DPM, MPH; Samantha Landau, DPM, MPH; Mark Kosinski, DPM; Michael Rothstein, MSN; Reem Sheikh, DPM; Ronald L. Soave, DPM; Mark H. Swartz, MD; Michael J. Trepal, DPM.**

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