

WKHL RESEARCH FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER



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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

One of the goals of the WKHL Research Foundation is for the research conducted here at Med Center Health to be published and/or presented in a state, regional, or national forum.

Recently, several of the residents and fellows traveled to meetings of both the Kentucky chapters of the American College of Cardiology and the American College of Physicians. Two Med Center Health residents, Dr. Hamza Mufarrih and Dr. Fawaz Mohammed were selected to represent the Kentucky chapter at their respective national meetings. This is quite an honor and we congratulate Drs. Mufarrih and Mohammed for their accomplishments!

MED CENTER HEALTH RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS PRESENT AT KY ACC



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UK COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, BOWLING GREEN STUDENTS PRESENT AT HHMC

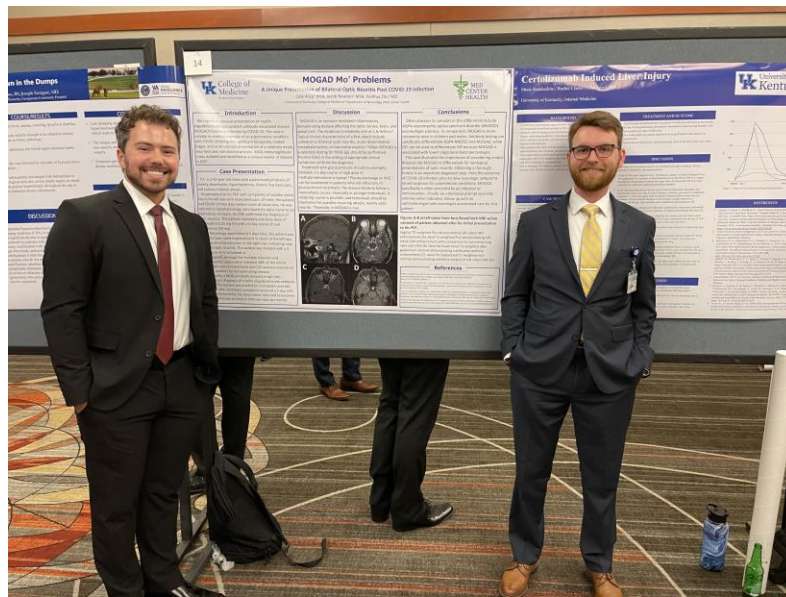
LET US KNOW!

Dr. Mufarrih's research was *Immediate- versus Staged-Complete Revascularization Strategies for Multivessel Disease in Acute Coronary Syndrome*. Dr. Mohammed's research was *Tuberculosis in Bowling Green, Kentucky*.

Also, the MCH Medicine Team won the ACP Internal Medicine Jeopardy/Doctor's Dilemma competition at the state meeting!

Congratulations!

Cole Alsip (right) and Jacob Newton (left), both M4 students at UK COM-BG, presented a poster titled **MOGAD Mo' Problems: A Unique Presentation of Bilateral Optic Neuritis Post COVID-19 Infection** at the 6th annual Heartland Hospital Medicine Conference hosted by the University of Kentucky Division of Hospital Medicine. This case report discusses an unusual presentation of myelin oligodendrocyte glycoprotein antibody-associated disease (MOGAD) following infection by COVID-19.



RECENTLY PUBLISHED

The Research Foundation is proud of the investigators that have recently had their research published. Please be sure to notify Dr. Joyce at joycmc@mchealth.net when your articles are published.

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CALL FOR RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Dr. Yub Raj Sedhai is starting to do chart review on a project on the use of CT pulmonary angiography. If you are interested in participating, please email Dr. Joyce at joycmc@mchealth.net

QUALMEDICA RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

Qualmedica Research, a clinical trial site in Bowling Green and associated with the Western Kentucky Heart and Lung/ Med Center Health Research Foundation, is researching investigational antibodies that may help to protect people with weaker immunity from contracting COVID-19.

NEW CLINICAL TRIAL (SUPERNOVA Study) for Med Center Health for patients and staff with weakened or compromised immune systems.

You may be eligible to take part in this COVID-19 study if you:

- are 12 years of age or older and have an impaired immune system,
- have not tested positive for COVID-19 or received a COVID-19 vaccine in the past 3 months,
- are currently taking immunosuppressive medicine.

COPD CLINICAL TRIAL researching the efficacy and safety of two dose regimens of an investigational medication in participants with symptomatic chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) with a history of COPD exacerbations

Click [here](#) to request information about this clinical trial or contact Qualmedica Research at (270) 904-4334.

MEDICAL STUDENTS LOOKING TO HELP WITH RESEARCH

UK College of Medicine medical students are looking for projects! If you have a summer project, or an upcoming Fall project, please get in touch with Dr. Joyce or Sarah Inman to get you connected!

New Qualtrics Form: Instead of emailing, you can also complete the Qualtrics form linked [here](#) with your research project and how many students you need, and you will be connected with medical students!

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RESEARCH FOUNDATION LUNCHEON

Upcoming meetings: **Thursday, September 21, Noon-1PM, WKHL 3rd Floor Auditorium**

Thursday, October 19, Noon-1PM, WKHL 3rd Floor Auditorium

STUDENT RESEARCH SHOWCASE

Friday, November 3, 2-4PM, UK College of Medicine, Bowling Green Campus Student Lounge

Join us for this student-centered event, provide feedback to the medical students and undergraduate Research Students from WKU on their current research projects and proposals. Heavy appetizers provided.

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