

2023 CTACSPA Resident Paper Competition Order of Presentation

Quick Shots (3 min presentation) - Merritt North

Litton Whitaker, MD	Danbury Hospital	Novel Management of an Anastomotic Groin Pseudoaneurysm and its Subsec
Emery Edmondson, DO	Waterbury Hospital	A Novel Technique to Temporize a Destructive Common Bile Duct Injury in an
Julia Silverman, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	Bile Leak From Duct of Luschka After Pancreaticoduodenectomy: A Case Repc
Jacob Silverman, MD	Waterbury Hospital	Keyaxelate-Induced Colitis Leading to Perforated Viscus: A Rare and Life Thre
Jonathan Stern, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Small Bowel Obstructions: A Wide Range of Presentations
Herbert Downton Ramos, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Case Report: "Severe Scalp Degloving Injury and Reconstruction After Dog At
Paul Fata, MD	Waterbury Hospital	Axillary follicular dendritic cell sarcoma, case report of a rare presentation an
Herbert Downton Ramos, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Case Report: "Excision of Giant Mesenteric Cyst"
Paul Fata, MD	Waterbury Hospital	Developing the National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer (NAPRC) in
Sean Ramras, MD	Waterbury Hospital	Rare Occurrence of Multiple Pancreaticoduodenal Artery Aneurysms in a Con
Michael Chun, MD	Stamford Hospital	Thoracotomy and Lobectomy for Mycobacterium Avium Complex Infection w

Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) - Merritt North

Kevin Hu, BA	Yale School of Medicine	A Cost Comparison of Digital Nerve Repair Techniques
Kristina Kuklova, MD, MBA	University of Connecticut Scho	Segmental Schwannomatosis of Left Lower Extremity
Kevin Hu, BA	Yale School of Medicine	Digit Replantation Rates and Associated Factors
Alex Kammien, BS	Yale School of Medicine	Hand Therapy Utilization Following Digital Flexor Tendon Repair
Kevin Hu, BA	Yale School of Medicine	Increased Provider Surgical Volume Decreases Procedural Costs in the Repair
Alex Kammien, BS	Yale School of Medicine	Wide-Awake Digital Flexor Tendon Repair: A Nationwide Analysis of Postoper

Bariatric/Metabolic Surgery (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) Providence

Ammr Al-Houssan, MD	Hartford Hospital, Hartford He	Is BMI ≥ 60 kg/m ² too risky for primary bariatric surgery? A MBSAQIP databas
Prabhleen Kaur, MBBS	Saint Mary's Hospital	Is Poor Glycemic Status an Indicator of Delayed Achievement of Desired Weig
Amber Hendricks, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Length of stay and length of procedure as early indicators for weight loss out
Nicholas Druar, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Low Rate of Bariatric Surgery in Eligible Female Patients with History of Horm
Devika Umashanker, MD	Hartford Hospital, Hartford He	Multimodal Approach Utilizing a Weight Management Program prior to Baria
Kristina Kuklova, MD, MBA	University of Connecticut Scho	Outcomes of Patients with COVID-19 within 14 Days Prior to and 30 days Afte
Tian Sheng Ng, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Single Anastomosis Duodenal-ileal Bypass (SADI) as Weight Loss Revision afte
Nicholas Druar, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Social Vulnerability of Bariatric Patient's Postoperative Outcomes from a Sing
Priscilla Lam, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Successful Weight Loss Prior to Bariatric Surgery is Associated with Improved

Clinical Oncology (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) - Hartford

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Anna Sarkisova, DO	Danbury Hospital	“Surviving to Thriving” Nutrition Education in Breast Cancer Patients
Thomas Tritt, MS, MD	Stamford Hospital	Rare Case presentation: En bloc resection of High grade retroperitoneal dedif
Nicole DiTommaso, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Role of Circulating Tumor DNA in Early Detection of Breast Cancer Recurrence
Ronald Truong, MD, MS	Danbury Hospital	Short Term Post-Operative Complications of Pancreatectomy by Approach an
<i>Clinical Oncology - Case Report (4 min presentation/1 min Q&A) - Hartford</i>		
Katherine Lipinski, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Anastomotic Adenocarcinoma in a Nonagenarian with Previous Histologically
Ryan Pettit, MD	Stamford Hospital	Case Report: Submucosal gastric mass found to be Plexiform Fibromyxoma, a

General Surgery (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) Augusta

Brienne Ryan, MD	Stamford Hospital	A Unique Presentation of Abdominal Pain: Drug-Induced Hemorrhagic Cholec
Muhammad Zafar, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Characterization of Cryptoglandular Fistula Microbiome Using a Novel Techni
Monica Maloney, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Genetic Approach to demonstrate the Cardioprotective function of E3 ligase :
Shayan Ahmed, MD, MPH	Saint Mary's Hospital	Injectable Hydrogel Loaded with Modified Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSCs) as
Neville Patel, MD	Waterbury Hospital	Fournier’s Gangrene: Successful Multidisciplinary Management at a Single Ins
Jeremy Fridling, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Interval Minimally Invasive Cholecystectomy for Severe Acute Cholecystitis
Cynthia Lin, MD	Stamford Hospital	Recurrent Hepatic Abscess Following Open Cholecystectomy: A Rare Presenta

Pediatric Surgery (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) Augusta

Brendan Stewart, MD	University of Connecticut Scho	Adrenal Cortical Carcinoma With Associated IVC Thrombus in an Adolescent F
Elizabeth Hughes, MD		In vitro Testing of a Novel 4-in-1 Device to Treat Neonatal Esophageal Strictu

Medical Student Research (4 min presentation/1 min Q&A) - Grand Salons ABC

Melissa Ulbrick, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	A Case Report: Metastatic Renal Cell Cancer Presenting as Multiple Bowel Intu
Jennifer Toner, BS	Danbury Hospital	A Rare Case of Necrotic Lactational Mastitis Leading to Septic Shock
Amber Wilkes, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	An Investigative Study of Successful Mentorship Qualities in Surgery
Peter Tramontozzi, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	Anastomotic Complications in Type C Long Gap Esophageal Atresia
Kaitlyn Petitpas, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	Clinical and Economic Outcomes of the Cirrhotic Colorectal Cancer Patient
Ethan Pitney, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	Demographic Factors and Cost Implications in Postoperative Length of Stay Fr
Gabriela Esnaola, BA	Yale School of Medicine	Development of a Novel Hierarchical Surgical Complexity Score to Account fo
Kaitlyn Petitpas, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	Cirrhosis and the Herniorrhaphy Patient: Clinical Characteristics, Surgical and
Michael Gouzoulis, BS	Yale School of Medicine	Emergency department visits after pediatric supracondylar humerus fracture
Michael Allison, BS	Baylor College of Medicine	Etiology and Mortality of Acute Pediatric Compartment Syndrome: A Retrospe
Oluwatoyosi Akande, BS	University of Connecticut Scho	Optimizing Nutrition Prior to Surgery: Implementation in Orthopedic Trauma
Michael Gouzoulis, BS	Yale School of Medicine	Physical Therapy Utilization Following Single Level Posterior Lumbar Fusion

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Medical Student Research (4 min presentation/1 min Q&A) - Merritt South, cont.

Daniel Pardo, BS	University of Connecticut School of Medicine	Postoperative Outcomes in Latin American Surgical Patients: Global Health In
Nicholas Estes, BS	Saint Mary's Hospital	Social Vulnerability of Patients undergoing Cholecystectomy during COVID-19
Liam Harvey, BS	Frank H Netter MD School of Medicine	Splenic Rupture and Shock Following an Uncomplicated ESWL: A Case Report
Julian Mobley, BS	The University of North Carolina	The Clinical Significance of Utilizing PASS Thresholds when Administering IKD
Bomsol Lee, BS	Frank H Netter MD School of Medicine	The Impact of Staple Line Reinforcement on Bleeding Rate in Robotic Sleeve C

Surgical Subspecialties - 1 (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) - Concord

Krist Aploks, MD, MBA	Danbury Hospital	Identifying Factors That Are Associated With Survival In Patients With Solid P
Tian Sheng Ng, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Retrieval of Long-Term Central Venous Foreign Body via Endovascular Techni
Litton Whitaker, MD	Danbury Hospital	Incidence and Characteristics of Vascular Trauma at a Level 2 Trauma Center
Tiffany Zhang	Georgetown University	Intersphincteric Fistulotomy: A Novel, Safe, and Effective Procedure for Trans
Joshua Wetzler, MD	Stamford Hospital	Management of Mechanical Aortic Valve Pannus: A Minimalistic Approach
Litton Whitaker, MD	Danbury Hospital	Outcomes of Balloon-Assisted Maturation Utilizing Large-Diameter Angioplast
Brienne Ryan, MD	Stamford Hospital	Retroperitoneal Bleed Secondary to Ruptured Spontaneous Right Inferior Phr

Surgical Subspecialties - 2 (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) - Boston

Neville Patel, MD	Waterbury Hospital	Successful Percutaneous Retrieval of a Fractured Stent Graft Delivery System
Sean Burgwardt, DO	Saint Mary's Hospital	The Characteristics of COVID-19 Patients with Pneumothorax and their Outco
Rebecca Jugo, MD	Waterbury Hospital	The Natural Orifice Intracorporeal Anastomosis and Extraction (NICE) Proced
Keerthivasan Vengatesan, MD	Danbury Hospital	Significant reduction in PACU costs with use of CELT ACD compared to other
Anna Sarkisova, DO	Danbury Hospital	Successful Surgical Treatment of a Rare Primary Hepatic Neuroendocrine Tum
Andres Sanchez, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Venous Stent Explant – Technical Considerations and the Role of Intravascula

Trauma (7 min presentation/2 min Q&A) - Montpelier

Andres Sanchez, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Idiopathic Traumatic Splenic Injury Following ESWL: A Rare Case Managed Co
York Lin Chew, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Incidences of Delayed Intracranial Bleed in 30-days in Patients Who Are on An
Victoria Liang, MD	Stamford Hospital	Increased Incidence of Venous Thromboembolism in Trauma Patients Receivi
Pei En Kwok, MD	University of Malaya	Methylene Blue in Adult Patients with Septic Shock: A Systematic Review and
Jamieson O'Marr, MS	Yale School of Medicine	Outcomes-Based Assessment of Distal Third Femur Fractures: A Pilot Study
Nicole DiTommaso, MD	Saint Mary's Hospital	Outcomes of Trauma Patients After the Legalization of Marijuana in a Commu
Sean Burgwardt, DO	Saint Mary's Hospital	Recovery from Multiple Organ Dysfunction Syndrome by Exosome therapy