September 12, 2019

Subject: Invitation to Medical Student Research Day, November 19, 2019

Dear Medical Students:

The Alpha Omega Alpha Honor (AOA) Medical Society and the Office of Student Research in the Dean's Office cordially invites all medical students to the **42nd Annual Medical Student Research Day (MSRD)** to be held on **Tuesday, November 19, 2019** in the Health Sciences Research Facility III (HSRF III) building and the Medical School Teaching Facility (MSTF). Medical Student Research Day is a proud tradition at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. **We invite current Medical Students who have completed at least one year of medical school to present their research during medical school in either oral presentation or poster presentation format.** Presentations will be judged, and awards and monetary prizes will be given in recognition of outstanding research presentations.

Please plan to join us during lunch for the keynote address. Following the presentations, we invite you to also join us at the awards banquet to celebrate your research achievements, your participation in MSRD, and the honored awardees. Please come and support your fellow medical students, peruse the wide range of research, and enjoy the festivities.

**All are welcome to attend** MSRD. Please feel free to extend the invitation to your faculty mentors and other research colleagues. The event begins at noon with lunch and the keynote address, followed by the presentation sessions at 1:30 p.m., and concludes with the awards banquet at around 5:30 p.m. Please respond through the **RSVP Form** by **October 18** if planning to attend the event.

If you would like to present at MSRD, you must first register your presentation and then later submit your abstract. **Presentation registration is currently open and due by September 25.** Detailed information including eligibility and presentation registration are attached and can also be found in the “Presentation Registration” document available on the event webpage. **Abstract submission** for registered presentations will **open on October 2 and close on October 23**. Detailed instructions for abstract submission and procedures for presenting will be available. **Please note that prizes will be conveyed only to those awardees who are present at the awards banquet.**

Questions regarding MSRD can be submitted through the **Ask MSRD** form.

Sincerely,

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society
Maryland Beta Chapter

MSRD Event Coordinators:

- Alexandra Laps, MSIV
- Cristian Salgado, MSIV
- Justin Brillant, MSIV
- Karishma Patel, MSIV
- Latasha Easter, MSIV

OAU.UMSOM@gmail.com

Office of Student Research
Qi Cao, J.D.
Research Coordinator
QCao@som.umaryland.edu

Gregory B. Carey, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology
Director of Student Research and Community Outreach
GCarey@som.umaryland.edu