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Society of General Internal Medicine Announces
2021 Award and Grant Recipients

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The Society of General Internal Medicine has announced its 2021 award and grant recipients. SGIM is proud and pleased to announce the recipients by category.

Recognition Awards

The Robert J. Glaser Award – Presented to Michael Barry, MD (Massachusetts General Hospital) for outstanding contributions to research, education, or both in generalism in medicine. The award is supported by grants from the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, the Commonwealth Fund, and individual contributors.

Herbert W. Nickens Minority Health and Representation in Medicine Award – Presented to Inginia Genao, MD (Yale School of Medicine) for a demonstrated commitment to cultural diversity in medicine.

David Calkins Award in Health Policy Advocacy – Presented to Stefan Kertesz, MD, MSc (University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Medicine). This award recognizes the extraordinary commitment many members make when they choose to advocate on behalf of SGIM.

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The ACLGIM Chiefs Recognition Award – Presented to Stephan D. Fihn, MD, MPH (University of Washington School of Medicine). This award is given annually to the general internal medicine Division Chief who most represents excellence in division leadership.

The ACLGIM UNLTD (Unified Leadership Training in Diversity) Award - Recognizes junior and mid-career faculty from underrepresented groups with proven leadership potential. Recipients of this award receive a training scholarship to attend the Leon Hess Leadership Institute hosted by ACLGIM. The 2021 recipients are Tracey L. Henry, MD (Emory University School of Medicine) and Theresa Maatman, MD (Medical College of Wisconsin).

The ACLGIM Leadership Award is given to a member of the ACLGIM who is within the first 10 years of faculty appointment. It recognizes skills in leadership in any number of areas of
academic medicine, including clinical, educational, research or administrative efforts. The 2021 recipient of this award is Ryan Greysen, MA, MD, MHSc (University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine).

The Quality and Practice Innovation Award - Recognizes general internists and their organization that have successfully developed and implemented innovative role model systems of practice improvement in ambulatory and/or inpatient clinical practice. The 2021 award was presented to Krisda Chaiyachati, MD, MPH, MSHP (University of Pennsylvania Health System – Penn Center for Connected Care).

Research Awards

John M. Eisenberg National Award for Career Achievement in Research – Presented to Mary M. McDermott, MD (Northwestern Medicine), in recognition of a senior SGIM member whose innovative research has changed the way we care for patients, the way we conduct research, or the way we educate our students. SGIM member contributions and the Hess Foundation support this award.

Outstanding Junior Investigator of the Year – Presented to Seth A. Berkowitz, MD, MPH (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine) for early career achievements and overall body of work that has made a national impact on generalist research.

Mid-Career Research Mentorship Award– Presented to Urmimala Sarkar, MD, MPH (University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine) in recognition of mentoring activities as a general internal medicine investigator.

Best Published Research Paper of the Year – Presented to Safiya Richardson, MD (Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell). This award is offered to help members gain recognition for their papers that have made significant contributions to generalist research.

Founders’ Grant– Presented to Karla Kendrick, MD (Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center). The SGIM Founders Award provides $10,000 support to junior investigators who exhibit significant potential for a successful research career and who need a “jump start” to establish a strong research funding base.

Lawrence S. Linn Award – Awarded to Benjamin Hayes, MD (Gwinnett Medical Center). This award provides funding to a young investigator to study or improve the quality of life for persons with AIDS or HIV infection.

Clinician-Educator Awards
National Award for Career Achievements in Medical Education – Presented to Diane B. Wayne, MD (Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine) for a lifetime of contributions to medical education.

Frederick L. Brancati Mentorship & Leadership Award – Presented to Valerie G. Press MD, MPH (University of Chicago Division of the Biological Sciences The Pritzker School of Medicine). The Brancati Award honors an individual at the junior faculty level who inspires and mentors trainees to pursue general internal medicine and lead the transformation of health care through innovations in research, education, and practice.

National Award for Scholarship in Medical Education – Presented to Adam Sawatsky, MD (Mayo Clinic - Rochester) for his individual contributions to medical education in one or more of the following categories: Scholarship of Integration, Scholarship in Educational Methods and Teaching, and Scholarship in Clinical Practice.

Mid-Career Mentorship in Education Award – Presented to Jennifer Corbelli, MD (University of Pittsburgh Medical Center). This award recognizes the mentoring activities of general medicine educators who are actively engaged in education research and mentorship of junior clinician educators.

Presentation Awards

Mack Lipkin, Sr. - Associate Member Awards are presented to the scientific presentations considered most outstanding by students, residents and fellows during the 2021 SGIM annual meeting. Awards are made based on participant evaluations of the presentations and are endowed by the Zlinkoff Fund for Medical Education. The award winners for 2021 are:

- Adam A. Markovitz (University of Michigan Medical School) for abstract presentation “Double-Bonuses to Medicare Advantage Plans Do Not Increase Enrollment, Enhance Quality or Promote Equity”
- Michael Sun (University of Chicago Medical School) for abstract presentation “Negative Patient Descriptors: Documenting Racial Bias in the Electronic Health Record”
- Minhee Sung, MD (Yale School of Medicine) for abstract presentation “The Association of Prescribed Opioids and Incident Cardiovascular Disease in the Veterans Aging Cohort Study”

Milton W. Hamolsky - Junior Faculty Awards are presented to the scientific presentations considered most outstanding by junior faculty during the 2021 SGIM annual meeting. Awards are made based on participant evaluations of the presentations and are endowed by the Zlinkoff Fund for Medical Education. The award winners for 2021 are:
• Paula Chatterjee, MD, MPH (University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine) for abstract presentation on “Structural Racial Disparities in the Allocation of Medicare and Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments”

• Margaret Lowenstein, MD, MSHP (University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine) for abstract presentation on “Sustained Implementation of a Multi-Component Strategy to Increase Emergency Department-Initiated Interventions for Opioid Use Disorder”

• Karly A. Murphy, MD, MHS (Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine) for abstract presentation on “Outcomes after COVID-19 Diagnosis for People with Versus Without Serious Mental Illness”

SGIM Clinical Vignette Oral Presentation Awards - Recognizes the best presented clinical case by a medical student, internal medicine residents or GIM fellows (not faculty) at the SGIM National Meeting. This year’s recipient is Omar Moussa, MD (Montefiore Medical Center) “Watch the Heart”

Distinguished Professor of Women’s Health Best Oral Abstract Award – Anita Hargrave, MD (University of California, San Francisco) for the abstract titled “University Screening for Military Sexual Trauma in the Veterans Health Administration May Miss Over 50% of Midlife Women Veterans with Military Sexual Trauma Exposure”

Distinguished Professor of Women’s Health Best Poster Award – Tierney Wolgemuth, MD (University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine) for the poster titled “Are Internal Medicine Physicians Ready to Provide Medication Abortion?”

Distinguished Professor of Geriatrics Best Oral Abstract Award – Mariah Robertson, MD, MPH (Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine) for the abstract titled, “Inequities in the Care of Older Adults: Identifying Gaps in the Education of Geriatrics Fellows”

Distinguished Professor of Geriatrics Best Poster Award – Nancy Schoenborn, MD (Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine) for the poster titled “Life Expectancy Estimates Based on Comorbidities and Frailty to Inform Preventative Care of Older Adults”

Distinguished Professor of Health Equity Best Oral Abstract Award – Lisa Mansfield, PhD, MSN, RN (University of California, Los Angeles David Geffen School of Medicine) for the abstract titled COVID-19 Vaccine Acceptability and Hesitancy in Multiethnic Communities in Los Angeles County”

Distinguished Professor of Health Equity Best Poster Award – Carlos Oronce, MD, MPH (University of California, Los Angeles David Geffen School of Medicine) for the poster titled “Interventions to Address Food Insecurity Among Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis”
Distinguished Professor of Hospital Medicine Best Oral Abstract Award – Melissa Wei, MD, MPH, MS (University of California, Los Angeles David Geffen School of Medicine) for the abstract titled “Multimorbidity and 30-day Readmissions Among Medicare Beneficiaries Using a New ICD-coded Multimorbidity-weighted Index”

Distinguished Professor of Hospital Medicine Best Poster Award – Evan Shannon, MD, MPH (Brigham and Women’s Hospital) for the poster titled “Investigating Racial/Ethnic Inequities in Interhospital Transfer at a Major Academic Health Care System”

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