

There's An App For That!

We are very excited to announce that MCG Nephrology alumnus Dr. Azmi Kabani has created an iPhone/iPad app to help simplify electrolyte replacement in patients with Hypokalemia, Hypomagnesemia and Hypophosphatemia. A culmination of 20 years of Dr. Kabani's work on simplifying electrolyte calculations, the app is designed to take into account factors for each individual patient such as age, dialysis status, weight, and gender. Dr. Kabani has generously offered to reimburse our current nephrology faculty and fellows for the cost of downloading the software. If you would like more information, please view his website at <http://www.kalculytes.com/>. You can also view a short clip on Youtube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsLtBW03QLo>.



Fellows present at the 13th annual SSCI Nephrology Young Investigator's Forum

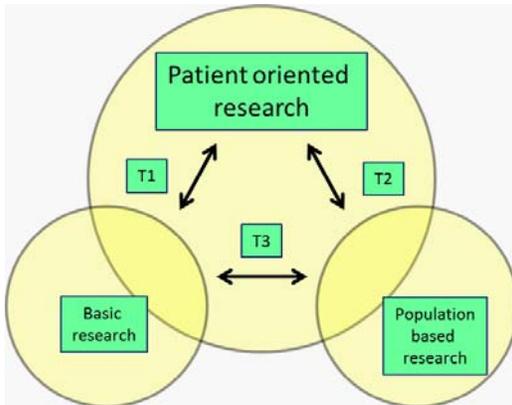
Shalini Saith (14) and Usman Afzal (14) gave oral presentations at the SSCI Nephrology Young Investigator's forum in New Orleans on February 19, 2014. Dr. Saith presented work entitled: "Calciphylaxis in end stage renal disease patients from the United States Renal Data System" and Dr Afzal presented "Spinal epidural abscess in hemodialysis patients". They joined 20 other fellows from academic programs across the southeast for a day of presentations. The forum was capped by dinner at Galatoire's in the French Quarter. Both fellows also had presentations at the poster sessions later in the week.



L to R: Drs. Stan Nahman, Shalini Saith, and Usman Afzal

Update in Renal and Endocrine for Primary Care is planned for August 2014!! Please check web for details: <http://www.gru.edu/ce/medicalce/>

Nephrology leads Translational Research Program



Drs. Stan Nahman and Matt Diamond (09) are leading the Translational Research Program (TRP) for the Department of Medicine. Endorsed and supported by the Department, the TRP mission is to foster interest in translational medicine by faculty, fellows, residents and medical students. The program vision is to further assist in the conduction of successful translational research projects for individuals at all academic levels, with the ultimate goal being to develop sustainable translational research programs within the department. Translational research is geared toward patient-oriented research and is designed to bring basic scientists, epidemiologists and clinician's together in the pursuit of common research goals . Please visit the TRP website for more information (<http://www.gru.edu/mcg/medicine/trp/index.php>).



Dr. Carlos Zayas

Carlos Zayas, MD Joins GRU Faculty

In Sept 2013, Dr. Carlos Zayas, previously of Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta, joined the nephrology transplant faculty. Dr. Zayas completed his medical education at the University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine, followed by residency and fellowship at Emory. Dr. Zayas comes to us with a wealth of experience as a renal transplant physician, including having spent several years as the Medical Director of Piedmont Hospital.

Special Recognition

Dr. Lu Huber's abstract submission to the European Renal Association was among the top 8 abstracts submitted. We do not know the data for 2014, but in 2013, there were 2400 abstracts submitted. Her abstract is titled "Survival of Calciphylaxis In End Stage Renal Disease Patients From The United States Renal Data System." She will be giving an oral presentation of this work in Amsterdam in on June 2, 2014..



Dr. Lu Huber

2014-2015 Academic Year Updates



Dr. Jay Desai

We are happy to announce that we have three new fellows joining our program in July 2014 as clinical fellows. Dr. Divakar Jammalamadaka is currently a hospitalist with GRU Health and completed medical residency at St Mary's Hospital in Waterbury, CT. Dr. Nardos Belayneh recently completed her residency at Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY. Dr. Jusmin Patel is currently completing his medical residency at University of South Alabama in Mobile, AL.

In addition to the above, we have Dr. Shalini Saith continuing with us as our Renal Transplant Fellow. We also have, for the first time filled our Nephrology Research fellowship, offering ia one-year experience to graduates of our program. We are delighted to announce that Dr. Jay Desai will be staying on as our first Nephrology Research fellow.