



**Boston University School of Medicine
Alumni Association**

Greetings,

May has been a busy month filled with graduations and transitions. At the Division of [Graduate Medical Sciences Ceremony](#), 365 students from 16 programs received a master's degree and BUSM conferred 137 medical degrees, five MD/PhDs, two MD/MBAs and 27 PhDs at MD/PhD Ceremony.

At the [GMS Commencement](#), Linda Hyman, PhD, Associate Provost for Graduate Medical Sciences, urged graduates to focus on wellness as they prepare for what will come next.

Dr. Robert Witzburg, Associate Dean and Director of Admissions, gave the [MD/PhD Commencement](#) address and reminded graduates, "We advance science with integrity and care for our patients with dignity, compassion and respect ... simply because it is the right thing to do."

All graduates were greeted by the alumni team and given a special gift welcoming them into the BUSM alumni family. The alumni team included recent alum, Jason Sherer, MD (MED '16). Let us know if you would like to be a part of the alumni welcoming team at next year's graduation!

MD students also received a [video](#) of the many ways alumni have supported them throughout their journey at BUSM.

Read [the op-ed by BUSM Dean Karen Antman, MD](#) about why she supports the city's efforts to rebuild the bridge to Long Island, where a much-needed addiction recovery facility once resided. We also have an update on recent grads [Drs. Andrew Chu \(MED '18\) and Samir Haroon \(MED '17\)](#), who are receiving national attention for a mobile app they developed during their time at BUSM. The app supports Boston Medical Center's (BMC) postoperative pulmonary care protocol. Take a look!

Work continues on traumatic brain injury. [A new study by BUSM researchers](#) suggest that playing tackle football prior to 12 years of age may lead to earlier onset of cognitive, behavioral, and mood symptoms later in life.

Enjoy our E-newsletter. Remember to put the dates for Alumni Weekend 2018 in your calendars: September 21-22, 2018. And please stay in touch.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jean E. Ramsey".

Jean E. Ramsey, MD '90 MPH '08
Associate Dean for Alumni Affairs
Vice Chair of Education and Program Director of Ophthalmology
Associate Professor, Ophthalmology and Pediatrics



SCHOOL NEWS |



A Bridge To Opportunity: A Long Island Addiction Recovery Campus Can't Wait

In Commonwealth op-ed, BUSM Dean Karen Antman, MD, comments on opioid crisis in Massachusetts.



AOA Announces 2018 Selections

Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) has announced the BUSM alumna, faculty and resident/fellow selections for 2018.



MED Researchers: Youth Football Linked to Earlier Brain Problems

Starting before age 12 may hasten onset of emotional and cognitive problems.



BUMC Honors Tom Moore, MD

Faculty, staff, students, family and friends honor Tom Moore, MD, for his 17 years of service to Boston University.

STUDENTS IN ACTION |

GMS Graduates Urged to Focus on Wellness



The master's degree candidates were commended for their service and encouraged to take care of themselves.



MD/PhD Commencement: Do Your Best for the People We Serve

Commencement speaker Robert Witzburg, MD, told graduates, "We advance science with integrity and care for our patients with dignity, compassion and respect ... simply because it is the right thing to do."



Meet the 2018 GHHS Inductees

Students and residents gathered in Hiebert Lounge to celebrate their induction to the Gold Humanism Honor Society.



Recent Grads' Idea for Mobile App Receives National Recognition

Drs. Chu (BUSM'18) and Haroon (BUSM'17) conceived, designed and implemented this program while still in medical school.

IN MEMORIAM |



Alan Seymour Cohen, MD

Alan Seymour Cohen, MD, (BUSM'52) and former Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology, died May 1 in Scottsdale, Ariz., at age 92.

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS |

Jennifer Luebke, PhD, GRS '90, Appointed Chair *ad interim* of Anatomy & Neurobiology



Dr. Luebke will succeed Mark Moss, PhD, who is retiring at the end of May.



BU Grads Gather to Celebrate The Marriage of Mary Beth Howard (SPH '11, MED '15), and Kyle Cyr (GMS '10, MED '15)

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT |



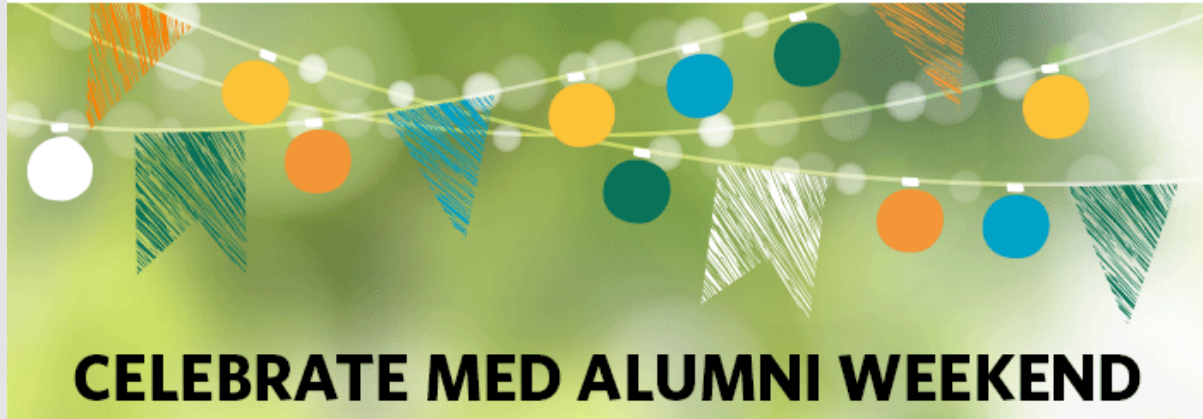
David Hochberger, MED '76

BUSM RESEARCH CORNER |

- **Researchers Discover that Cells Contain Mitochondria Specialized to Build Fats**
- **New Study Provides Insight into Blood Signatures of Inflammation**
- **Age, Marital Status, BMI and Sleep Associated with Risk for Dementia**
- **Who is Using Guns for Suicide?**

Alumni Weekend September 21-22, 2018

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