

BOSTON UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
CLASS OF 2022

BOSTON
UNIVERSITY

FOURTH-YEAR STUDENT AWARDS

HIEBERT LOUNGE
MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022
NOON-2 P.M.

ROBERT SLATER, MD PRIZE IN ANESTHESIOLOGY

Awarded annually to graduating fourth-year students with honors in anesthesiology and pulmonary physiology.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: BATBOLD BOLDBAATAR, CALLIE DING & TYLER KALAJIAN

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NEUROLOGY MEDICAL STUDENT AWARD

This award recognizes overall academic excellence and achievement in Neurology by a medical student who is planning a career in Neurology.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: ALANA SKOVHUS

ROBERT G. FELDMAN, MD, PRIZE IN NEUROLOGY

The Robert G. Feldman, MD Prize in Neurology is given to the graduating medical student who has exhibited compassion, humanism, and excellence in the application of neuroscience to the care of patients with neurological diseases and who plans to pursue a career in neurology, neurosurgery, or the neurosciences.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: HYEON SOH

Neurology Excellence in Medical Student Research Award

This award is selected from students who submit a research abstract/poster to the annual Kase Research Symposium. After reviewing all of the abstracts, one student is selected for this award based on the research question, methods, innovation and quality demonstrated by the project.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: JONATHAN FU

John F. O'Connor, MD, Radiology Award

Selected by the faculty and staff of the Department of Radiology, Boston University School of Medicine at the Boston Medical Center and presented to a student in recognition of outstanding performance in diagnostic radiology on behalf of Dr. O'Connor, BUSM 1957.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: ALEXANDER BOYKO & JESSICA SHI

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARD

Awarded to students in the graduating class who are in good academic standing and who have contributed their time and effort to a variety of Alumni Association initiatives designed to benefit Boston University School of Medicine.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: ISABELLE GELL-LEVEY & MASIS PARUNYAN

BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER STUDENT PRIZE

Student who excelled in all of the eight core clerkships of the third year (surgery, medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, obstetrics and gynecology, neurology, selective and family medicine) and who demonstrated outstanding humanistic qualities exemplifying the ideals of excellence in clinical medicine.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: PAUL FRANCO

PETER E. POCHI, MD, AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN DERMATOLOGY

The Peter E. Pochi, MD, Award for Excellence in Dermatology is awarded to a fourth-year BUSM student. The student, with an interest in dermatology as a career, should exemplify the attributes and qualities as displayed by Dr. Pochi, MED'55. Dr. Pochi has been a mentor and teacher to several generations of BUSM medical students. His contributions to dermatology have advanced the specialty to the preeminence it enjoys today. Moreover, his devotion to BUSM is exemplary for all BUSM alumni and students. Dr. Pochi has given a great deal over his career to his field of dermatology, to his patients, and to his School. With this award, we salute Dr. Pochi and the student, who has demonstrated excellence in dermatology.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: HANNAH MUMBER

THE KARP FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP IN PEDIATRICS

The Karp Family Scholarship in Pediatrics recognizes BUSM medical students who, by choosing to become pediatricians, face greater financial challenges than their classmates going into more lucrative specialties. These scholarships are awarded to the very best medical students who have selected pediatrics as their specialty during their last year of medical school. The Karp Family Scholarships are intended to defray the recipients' cost of medical school, thereby lowering their debt burden and helping to launch their careers.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: ELIZABETH AGNETA, MIRA MAGNER, KALEB MIKAMI, RACHEL ROCKERS & RITA WANG

SOCIETY OF ACADEMIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE'S EXCELLENCE IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE AWARD

The Society of Academic Emergency Medicine Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award is offered annually to each medical school in the United States. It is awarded to the fourth-year medical student at each school who best exemplifies the qualities of an excellent emergency physician, as manifested by excellent clinical, interpersonal, and manual skills, and a dedication to continued professional development leading to outstanding performance on emergency medicine rotations.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: MAX GODER-REISER

TIMOTHY J. POLLARD HUMANISM AWARD IN FAMILY MEDICINE

Presented to an outstanding fourth-year medical student who demonstrates the leadership, service, or humanistic attributes that embody the ideals of family medicine.

The award is in memory of Timothy J. Pollard, MD, a dedicated physician and teacher who exemplified the breadth, excellence, and commitment to patient care and education of family medicine. Dr. Pollard died in 2008 at the age of 52. After completing his medical studies at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center and his family medicine residency at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Dr. Pollard went on to practice in a wide array of practice settings that exemplify all that family medicine has to offer. He practiced the full spectrum of family medicine, including obstetrics, adult medicine, pediatrics, and surgery. He established a medical practice in a remote Alaska town, brought his medicine to Swaziland, Africa, and spent a year as the South Pole physician.

Dr. Pollard was also consummate medical educator. Through the years he taught countless residents, medical students, and colleagues. He was a teacher, a physician, and a champion of all the best that medicine can offer.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: KAPUA MEYER

THOMAS T. GILBERT, MD, AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FAMILY MEDICINE

This award is presented to a graduating student in recognition of academic excellence in the family medicine curriculum at BUSM and who is also entering a family medicine residency program. The award is in honor of Thomas Gilbert, MD, MPH, a retired family physician who exemplifies the commitment to service and excellence of family physicians in this country.

After completing the Family Medicine Program in Rochester, NY, Tom practiced family medicine in Deer Isle and Stonington, Maine where he provided the full spectrum of rural family medicine, including adult medicine, obstetrics, and pediatrics. After this intense and rewarding experience, he moved onto academic medicine, first at the University of Colorado, then at Brown University, and finally at Boston University, where he contributed to student, residency, and fellowship programs. Tom also worked in public health as a CDC Epidemiology Intelligence Service physician for the federal government in New Hampshire and later for the State of Rhode Island. Tom had a stroke in August 1999 necessitating his retirement. However, he volunteers in the stroke units of Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital and BMC. He continues to work closely with research fellows in the Department of Family Medicine at BMC.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: PHILOMENA NWANZE

FAMILY MEDICINE LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Family Medicine Leadership Award is presented to a fourth-year Boston University medical student who demonstrates outstanding leadership and a high level of commitment to promoting the ideals of family medicine.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: PRESTON BUTLER

FAMILY MEDICINE RESEARCH AWARD

The Family Medicine Research Award is presented to a fourth-year Boston University medical student planning a career in family medicine who demonstrates outstanding achievement in research and scholarship.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: SAMANTHA PATELLA

HENRY J. BAKST AWARD IN COMMUNITY MEDICINE

Dr. Henry J. Bakst, a long-time proponent of quality health care for the elderly, was the Director of the Home Medical Service for an extended period of time. During his stewardship, the service flourished and provided a superb learning experience for the students who participated in the long-standing Home Medical Service program. This award is presented to a student who demonstrates the qualities that Dr. Bakst represented, including sensitivity to the needs of people, as well as an understanding of the disease process and an awareness of community resources.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: LINDSAY MERLOTTI

INTERNAL MEDICINE AWARD

Awarded annually by the faculty of the Department of Medicine to graduating medical students for excellence in internal medicine.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: BRANDON BEDELL, JANET MONROE & DELIA MOTAVALLI

DR. SAMUEL AND HELEN POPLACK STUDENT AWARD

This award was established in memory of Dr. Samuel L. Poplack, the father of three graduates of Boston University School of Medicine. It is designated for the student who demonstrates both superior clinical competence and excellence in patient care.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: NIRISHA COMMODORE & SHAYNA SCHOR

ELI SHAPIRO AWARD
(ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE)

The award is given to the graduating medical student who best exemplifies the qualities of the late Dr. Eli Shapiro: exceptional competence, medical curiosity, devotion to patients, continual education and extraordinary compassion.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: PAUL FRANCO

EDWARD L. SPATZ, MD AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN NEUROSURGERY

Student who excels in neurosurgery and demonstrates the characteristics of Dr. Edward Spatz: honesty, gentleness, and compassion, while treating everyone with the same kindness, respect, and dignity.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: LUIS RENDON

DAVID ROTHBAUM, MD, AWARD IN OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

This prize is awarded to an outstanding graduating student who will specialize in obstetrics and gynecology, and has demonstrated superior academic achievement in field and shown compassion and understanding towards patients. It is presented in honor of Dr. Rothbaum, (MED'82).

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: MEGAN ALEXANDER

KENNETH C. EDELIN PRIZE IN OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

The prize is awarded to the graduating student who, in the opinion of the faculty, has demonstrated superior academic achievement in obstetrics and gynecology, compassion and understanding towards patients, and an interest in minority health care.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: DIANA ABBAS

BENJAMIN TENNEY PRIZE IN OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

This prize was established in 1980 by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, its alumni, and the family of Dr. Benjamin Tenney. Dr. Tenney was Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology from 1949 to 1955. The prize is awarded to the graduating medical student who, in the opinion of the faculty, has demonstrated both superior academic achievement in obstetrics and gynecology and has shown compassion and understanding toward patients.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: RENATA MUKAI

CHRISTOPHER G. GAPOSCHKIN PRIZE FUND

The award was established in 2002 by the wife, family, and friends of Dr. Christopher G. Gaposchkin, BUSM 1994, to honor Gaposchkin, a promising neurosurgeon, whose contributions to medicine were never fully realized. Dr. Gaposchkin was known for his keen intelligence, palpable enthusiasm, and fierce dedication to his patients, residents, family, and friends. It is awarded to the graduating student who has excelled in their studies, exudes warmth and compassion for patients and colleagues, and who demonstrates a passion for teaching and advancing the field of medical science.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: WILLIAM PALMER

CONTRIBUTION TO BUSM COMMUNITY AWARD

The Contribution to BUSM Community Award is selected by the Boston University School of Medicine Student Affairs Office. The award is given to fourth-year students whose willingness to offer their service to the school is significant and greatly benefits those around them.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: JAE CHO

JACOB SWARTZ AWARD FROM THE CLASS OF 1981

Presented to graduating students who best exemplify the qualities of Dr. Jacob Swartz, a past associate dean of admissions, who sought to provide opportunities for underrepresented students.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: NIRISHA COMMODORE & VANESSA TORRICE

JULIE PRIZE FUND IN NUTRITION

Presented to a student who has made an outstanding contribution in nutritional research, including genomics, metabolism, or epidemiology.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: LAUREN BERRY

MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY'S SCHOLARS AWARD

The Massachusetts Medical Society Scholars Award Program recognizes outstanding students from each of the four Massachusetts medical schools. Boston University School of Medicine nominates six students for this award based on the student's application, personal statement, academic standing, demonstrated involvement in community service, professional goals and financial need. These semi-finalists then participate in an interviewing process by teams of MMS member volunteers representing the Officers, Executive Office, Committee on Medical Education and the Student Governing Section. At the conclusion of the interviews, two award recipients are selected from each medical school.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: TALYOR JAMIL & PHILOMENA NWANZE

MEDICAL SCHOOL STUDENT PRIZE

The Medical Student Prize is given to a student who has exemplified professionalism, empathy, and compassion to patients and who has raised the standard of medical care that student provide to patients.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: MEGAN ALEXANDER

MICHAEL L. J. APUZZO PRIZE FUND FOR CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION

This award is presented on behalf of Dr. Apuzzo, MED'65, to students who exemplify creativity and innovation in their schoolwork.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: TYLER KALAJIAN, SABREEA PARNELL, & EMMA TUNSTALL

SIDNEY COOPERBAND AWARD

The Sidney Cooperband Award was established in March 1979 by faculty, friends, and his family as a tribute to the late Dr. Sidney Cooperband. An effective administrator, accomplished scientist, and inspired teacher, Dr. Cooperband was the Director of the Hubert H. Humphrey Cancer Research Center beginning with its inception at Boston University Medical Center in 1973. The memorial fund's purpose is to honor a student who shows outstanding promise as a researcher in basic sciences, as this was an aspect of medicine in which Dr. Cooperband himself was brilliantly accomplished.

In his life, he was an energetic, compassionate man full of both integrity and determination and was enormously respected throughout the American scientific community. The Sidney Cooperband Award is given each year as a living tribute to the fourth-year student who, in addition to demonstrating excellence in the basic sciences, also displays Dr. Cooperband's outstanding personal qualities.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: GRACE FERRI & RYAN QUINTON

**THE LEONARD TOW HUMANISM IN MEDICINE STUDENT AWARD
(PRESENTED BY THE ARNOLD P. GOLD FOUNDATION)**

The Gold Foundation sponsors the annual Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Awards for a graduating student and faculty member at more than 85 of the nation's medical schools. This award is presented to the student and faculty member who best demonstrate the Foundation's ideals of outstanding compassion in the delivery of care and respect for patients, their families, and healthcare colleagues, as well as demonstrated clinical excellence. The Gold Foundation began this award in 1991 at Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons. The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey began replicating these awards nationwide in 1998, with participation from The Gold Foundation. In 2003, with a generous donation from Leonard Tow, these awards became solely sponsored and administered by The Gold Foundation.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: LAUREN BERRY

THE MERCK MANUAL AWARD

Recognizes outstanding students in medical sciences.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: DIANA ABBAS, DYLAN KIRSCHENBAUM & MAX GODER-REISER

THE WEIN STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD

Presented to a graduating student in recognition of outstanding contributions to cancer research.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: EMMY HU

WILLIAM E. KAHN AND ALBERT B. KAHN, JR. AWARD

Awarded annually to top student or students enrolled at the School of Medicine.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: PAUL FRANCO & DELIA MOTAVALLI

WILLIAM F. McNARY, JR. AWARD FROM THE CLASS OF 1991

Established as a gift from the Class of 1991 in celebration of Dr. McNary's 40 years of service to Boston University School of Medicine. Dr. McNary received his Ph.D. in Anatomy from Boston University in 1954 and was an outstanding teacher of anatomy at Boston University School of Medicine until 1991. In 1970, he was appointed as the first Dean of Student Affairs and was devoted to forwarding the careers of medical students by recognizing their individual needs and strengths and addressing them in a sensitive and resourceful manner. He always encouraged students to strive for scholarship and professional excellence while maintaining a balance of outside interests. This award is presented to a member of the graduating class, nominated by peers, who is in good academic standing and who best exemplifies the spirit of leadership and service to the School of Medicine. The recipient has earned the respect of peers through quiet acts of leadership and has fostered service, good will, and excellence among classmates.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: PAOLO MAURICIO

DIANA RADKOWSKI PRIZE FUND

Diana Radkowski, MD, (MED'87), was a gifted surgeon committed to taking care of children with otolaryngologic diseases. She died of cervical cancer in March of 1999 before she was able to have a full life and career. This award was established to honor her memory and encourage women in surgery, particularly in ENT, since Diana knew it was very important to support and mentor women in her field.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: NICOLETTE JABBOUR & TAYLOR JAMIL

THE RICHARD J. CAVELL, MD (MED'61) AWARD

The Richard J. Cavell, MD (MED'61) Award shall be presented annually to a graduating School of Medicine student or students matching into otolaryngology, who, in the opinion of department faculty, demonstrate the highest standards of professionalism.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: LIBBY WARD & NATHAN WALLACE

GEOFFREY BOUGHTON AWARD

Awarded to an outstanding student in pathology and presented in honor of Dr. Boughton, MED'54.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: ERIC TAI

LEONARD AND JULIUS GOTTLIEB PRIZE IN PATHOLOGY EDUCATION

This prize was established by the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and the Mallory Institute of Pathology to honor Dr. Gottlieb who served as Chairman of the Department from 1980-2003 and as the Mallory Director from 1972-2003. During his long tenure, the department and its faculty maintained a reputation for excellence in medical school education, research, and patient care.

At the dedication of the Gottlieb Conference Room, faculty paid tribute to him by stating "...what is most enduring about Leonard Gottlieb is his wonderful temperament, the warmth of his greeting, and the generosity of his character... what we value above all his accomplishments are his humanity and decency..." The Student Affairs Office honored him "for providing an example of professional excellence in his career as respected teacher, researcher, anatomic pathologist, friend, and colleague" during his 55-year career at this medical center.

The prize is awarded annually to a member of the graduating class who has excelled in pathology and who has embodied many of Dr. Gottlieb's singular qualities.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: MASIS PARUNYAN

EXCELLENCE IN PEDIATRICS AWARD

The Excellence in Pediatrics Award is granted to a student graduating from Boston University School of Medicine with the qualities of an extraordinary future pediatrician.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: CAROLINE MAGUIRE, VANESSA TORRICE & KOREDE YOLOYE

NEW ENGLAND PEDIATRIC SOCIETY AWARD

Awarded annually to the member of the graduating class entering pediatrics who, in the opinion of their peers and faculty, best exemplifies the qualities one looks for in a pediatrician: a competent, caring, good-humored person whom we would want to take care of our children.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: RITA WANG

PAULINE MILLSTEIN FAMILY FUND AWARD

The Pauline Millstein Family Fund Award is granted annually to a student enrolled at BUSM who excels in pediatrics. This award was established by Arnold Baskies MD (MED'75) in the memory of his grandmother Pauline Millstein, who dedicated her life to children. While practicing as a nurse for 30 years, Pauline Millstein's warmth and friendly spirit made her popular with patients and professionals alike.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: ELIZABETH AGNETA

STEPHEN R. PREBLUD, MD, MEMORIAL AWARD FOR PEDIATRICS

The Department of Pediatrics established the Stephen Preblud Memorial Award for Pediatrics. The award is given to the student of the graduating class who exemplifies the competency and outstanding characteristics of Dr. Stephen Preblud.

Stephen R. Preblud, MD, was an acknowledged international authority on rubella, varicella, and mumps and a leader in the field of childhood disease prevention. He was committed to improving the quality of life for people around the world, most of whom would never know his name. His research played a major role in the effort to vaccinate women and to prevent congenital rubella syndrome. For this and other landmark contributions to the understanding and prevention of childhood diseases, Dr. Preblud was awarded the U.S. Public Health Service's Outstanding Service Medal. Dr. Preblud died at age 40 from complications of treatment for chronic myelocytic leukemia. At the time of his death, he was Chief of the Surveillance, Investigations, and Research Branch of the Division of Immunization, Centers for Disease Control, in Atlanta, GA; physician at the Henrietta Egleston Hospital for Children in Atlanta; and Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta. Dr. Preblud graduated *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa from Brown University (1971) and the Boston University School of Medicine (1975), where he was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha. As a medical student, Dr. Preblud was recognized as an extraordinarily gifted and compassionate future physician and scientist and was selected by BUSM's Department of Pediatrics for its annual award in 1975.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: JEAN DEVERA & MIRA MAGNER

JOSEPH COCHIN AWARD IN PHARMACOLOGY AND MEDICAL ETHICS

Student distinguished by high achievement in pharmacology and medical ethics; particular emphasis is placed on extracurricular activities and on independent effort, including research.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: RYAN QUINTON

ANTHONY L. F. GORMAN PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY

Colleagues, friends, and family of the late Dr. Anthony L.F. Gorman have established in his honor the Anthony L.F. Gorman Prize in Physiology. This annual award is made to an outstanding student in physiology graduating from Boston University School of Medicine. Dr. Gorman, an imaginative, productive, and internationally respected scientist, contributed much to the fundamental knowledge of the physiology of the nervous system and vision. As an effective teacher, he instilled in students an appreciation of the significance of basic physiological mechanisms underlying the complex function of the nervous system. This award to the best student in physiology is a fitting honor to a man whose life was dedicated to the pursuit of excellence.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: DJANIRA FERNANDES

DEAN ELEANOR TYLER MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded annually by the College of Arts and Sciences to the outstanding fourth-year student at BUSM who fulfilled their premedical requirements through the Six-Year/Seven-Year Liberal Arts-Medical Education Program. This fund recognizes the contributions and pioneering efforts of the late Assistant Dean Eleanor Tyler of the College of Liberal Arts and her role as the first coordinator of the Six-Year Liberal Arts-Medical Education Program.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: CHRISTINA KOTTOORAN & NIVETHA SARAVANAN

DR. DAVID R. IVERSON STUDENT AWARD

This student award was established in 1986 in memory of Dr. David R. Iverson, Boston University School of Medicine Class of 1968, by his classmates, family, and friends. The award is made annually to the fourth-year student who has excelled in psychiatry and who has exhibited Dr. Iverson's outstanding personal qualities: sensitivity, compassion, and devotion to the needs of others.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: PUNEET BINEPAL

JOHN M. MURRAY PRIZE

Awarded annually to the fourth-year student at Boston University School of Medicine for the best performance in psychiatry with special attention to clinical work and any elective work that the student may have undertaken.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: TIFFANY CHAN

RUTH HUNTER JOHNSON PRIZE

This award is presented annually to a student who is training in the field of psychiatry.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: STEPHANIE VAUGHN

WILLIAM MALAMUD PRIZE FUND

Awarded annually to the fourth-year student at Boston University School of Medicine who best grasps the basic science of psychiatry and demonstrates understanding and caring work with patients both within the Division of Psychiatry as well as in other clerkships.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: ARIANA KAM

ANNE AND DAVID MISHEL CANCER RESEARCH AWARD

Established to recognize the medical student who has most distinguished himself or herself in the area of cancer research or in unusually empathetic and compassionate care of cancer patients, this award is presented in memory of both Anne and David Mishel who were victims of cancer and succumbed to it. The student award recipient is selected from the fourth-year class by joint Oncology faculty representing the Medical and Surgical Oncology and Radiation Therapy Services (all Oncologic Services).

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: SHAYNA SCHOR

DORA SAVENOR MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN SURGERY

The Savenor Prize for Excellence in Surgery was established by the Savenor family in memory of Dora Savenor, who was a cancer patient at Boston Medical Center. It is awarded yearly to a student who is entering a residency in general surgery or a surgical subspecialty, and who achieved the best final score during the third-year surgical clerkship. The awarding of the prize is based both on clinical performance and on surgical knowledge as demonstrated on written and oral examinations.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: MICHAEL DE VIRGILIO

PETER J. MOZDEN, MD, CANCER AWARD

This award was established in 1991 by the faculty of the Section of Surgical Oncology as a tribute to the work and vision of Dr. Peter Mozden, the section founder and member of the BUSM Class of 1953. Dr. Mozden strongly believed and taught that a multidisciplinary education, exposure for students and house staff, and candid open discussions with the public and with cancer patients was the best way to gain new insights into this disease spectrum which is so often viewed with dread by patients and by physicians. In 1964, at BUMC, he established the first Section of Surgical Oncology at a U.S. medical school. In 1971, he established a Cancer Floor at University Hospital specifically oriented toward the study and management of patients with cancer. This was the first clinical cancer floor in the country at a major teaching hospital outside the categorical cancer centers. In 1965, he obtained and led a long running Cancer Teaching and Training Grant from the National Cancer Institute, under whose aegis several hundred BUSM medical students received specialized educational elective opportunities in cancer research and in clinical cancer. In testimony to his vision, it is noteworthy that Sections of Oncology, both surgical and medical, now exist in every U.S. medical school, and clinical cancer units are also present in almost all major teaching and community hospitals.

This award is given annually to a student in the graduating class who has demonstrated special empathy and interest toward the patient with cancer, or who has performed exceptionally during a clinical or research elective in oncology.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: GRANT SHEWMAKER

RICHARD J. ELKORT MEMORIAL AWARD

This award was established in July 1985 as a tribute to Dr. Richard J. Elkort by his family, faculty, and friends. Dr. Elkort was a surgeon-oncologist committed to cancer research and to better understanding the role of nutrition in the prevention and management of cancer. He was well known for his dedication to his patients and his love of people and life. This award is given to the fourth-year student who best exemplifies the man, Dr. Richard J. Elkort.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: LUKE WALLACE

Richard J. Shemin, M.D., and Saul Shemin, D.V.M., Academic Surgical Award

This award is presented to a graduating student in recognition of academic excellence in surgery and great promise for an academic surgical career. Richard J. Shemin, MD '74 was inspired to pursue a medical career by his father, Dr. Saul Shemin, who was a veterinarian. As a young boy, he worked with his father performing surgery, stimulating his ambitions to become an academic cardiac surgeon. Dr. Shemin established this award in memory of his father's mentorship and the education he received at Boston University.

Dr. Shemin attended Boston University's six-year medical program, graduated from BUSM in 1974, and trained for his academic surgical career at Harvard's Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. He has served as Clinical Associate in cardiac surgery at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health and trained in cardiothoracic surgery at NYU and Stanford. In 1987, he became Professor and Chairman of Cardiothoracic Surgery at BUSM and was later named the Vice Chair of the Division of Surgery and Co-Director of the Cardiovascular Center at Boston Medical Center.

Dr. Shemin is one of the nation's top academic heart surgeons, and has held the position of Executive Vice Chairman of the Department of Surgery, Chief of Cardiac Surgery, and Co-Director of the Cardiovascular Center at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center as well as Chairman of the American Board of Thoracic Surgery (ABTS). He is also a 2002 recipient of the BUSM Distinguished Alumni Award and a 2006 recipient of the Boston University Distinguished Alumni Award.

RECIPIENTS FOR 2022: EAMON KHATIBIFAR & SABREEA PARNELL

THE MASAKICHI AND MITUSHUKO ITABASHI AWARD

Awarded to a graduating student with outstanding interest in oncology and oncological research. This award is named in honor of the parents of 1954 BUSM graduate, Dr. Hideo Itabashi, both of whom fostered and encouraged education as the road to man's fulfillment.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: DJANIRA FERNANDES

UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH AWARD

This award is presented on behalf of the Surgeon General of the United States and the Chief Medical Office of the U.S. Public Health Service. This award recognizes medical students for their hard work and dedication to public health. The Public Health Service Award was founded in 1978 to provide medical care to sailors and merchant seamen with yellow fever and malaria. Over the subsequent 218 years, its mission has broadened to deliver health promotion and disease prevention programs to all Americans.

RECIPIENT FOR 2022: FAIZAH SHAREEF

2022 STUDENT AWARDS & PRIZES

Robert Slater, M.D. Prize in Anesthesiology	Batbold Boldbaatar, Callie Ding & Tyler Kalajian
American Academy of Neurology Medical Student Award	Alana Skovhus
Robert G. Feldman, M.D. Prize in Neurology	Hyeon Soh
Neurology Excellence in Medical Student Research Award	Jonathan Fu
John F. O'Connor, M.D. Radiology Award	Alexander Boyko & Jessica Shi
Alumni Association Award	Isabelle Gell-Levey & Masis Parunyan
Boston Medical Center Student Prize	Paul Franco
Peter E. Pochi, M.D. Award for Excellence in Dermatology	Hannah Mumber
The Karp Family Scholarship in Pediatrics	Elizabeth Agneta, Mira Magner, Kaleb Mikami, Rachel Rockers, & Rita Wang
Society of Academic Emergency Medicine's Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award	Max Goder-Reiser
Timothy J. Pollard Humanism Award in Family Medicine	Kapua Meyer
Thomas T. Gilbert, M.D. Award for Excellence in Family Medicine	Philomena Nwanze
Family Medicine Leadership Award	Preston Butler
Family Medicine Research Award	Samantha Patella
Henry J. Bakst Award in Community Medicine	Lindsay Merlotti
Internal Medicine Award	Brandon Bedell, Janet Monroe & Delia Motavalli
Dr. Samuel and Helen Poplack Student Award	Nirisha Commodore & Shayna Schor
Eli Shapiro Award (established by the Department of Medicine)	Paul Franco
Edward L. Spatz, M.D. Award for Excellence in Neurosurgery	Luis Rendon
David Rothbaum, M.D. Award in Obstetrics and Gynecology	Megan Alexander

Kenneth C. Edelin Prize in Obstetrics and Gynecology	Diana Abbas
Benjamin Tenney Prize in Obstetrics and Gynecology	Renata Mukai
Christopher G. Gaposchkin Prize	William Palmer
Contribution to BUSM Community Award	Jae Cho
Jacob Swartz Award from the Class of 1981	Nirisha Commodore & Vanessa Torrice
Julie Prize Fund in Nutrition	Lauren Berry
Massachusetts Medical Society's Scholars Award	Taylor Jamil & Philomena Nwanze
Medical School Student Prize	Megan Alexander
Michael L. J. Apuzzo Prize Fund for Creativity and Innovation	Tyler Kalajian, Sabreea Parnell, & Emma Tunstall
Sidney Cooperband Award	Grace Ferri & Ryan Quinton
The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Student Award	Lauren Berry
The Merck Manual Award	Diana Abbas, Dylan Kirschenbaum & Max Goder-Reiser
Wein Student Research Award	Emmy Hu
William E. Kahn and Albert B. Kahn, Jr. Award	Paul Franco & Delia Motavalli
William F. McNary, Jr. Award from the Class of 1991	Paolo Mauricio
Diana Radkowski Prize Fund	Nicolette Jabbour & Taylor Jamil
The Richard J. Cavell, MD (MED'61) Award	Nathan Wallace & Libby Ward
Geoffrey Boughton Award	Eric Tai
Leonard and Julius Gottlieb Prize in Pathology Education	Masis Parunyan
Excellence in Pediatrics Award	Caroline Maguire, Vanessa Torrice & Korede Yoloye
New England Pediatric Society Award	Rita Wang
Pauline Millstein Family Fund Award	Elizabeth Agneta
Stephen R. Preblud, M.D. Memorial Award for Pediatrics	Jean Devera & Mira Magner
Joseph Cochin Award in Pharmacology and Medical Ethics	Ryan Quinton

Anthony L. F. Gorman Prize in Physiology	Djanira Fernandes
Dean Eleanor Tyler Memorial Award	Christina Kottooran & Nivetha Saravanan
Dr. David R. Iverson Student Award	Puneet Binopal
John M. Murray Prize	Tiffany Chan
Ruth Hunter Johnson Prize	Stephanie Vaughn
William Malamud Prize Fund	Ariana Kam
Anne and David Mishel Cancer Research Award	Shayna Schor
Dora Savenor Memorial Prize for Excellence in Surgery	Michael de Virgilio
Peter J. Mozden, M.D. Cancer Award	Grant Shewmaker
Richard J. Elkort Memorial Award	Luke Wallace
Richard J. Shemin, M.D. and Saul Shemin, D.V.M. Academic Surgical Award	Eamon Khatibifar & Sabreea Parnell
The Masakichi and Mitushuko Itabashi Award	Djanira Fernandes
United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award	Faizah Shareef