



# Research Newsletter

October 29, 2018



Nice Work!



Congratulations to Dr. Ashutosh Gupta whose application for advancement to fellowship (FACG) was unanimously accepted by the American College of Gastroenterology.



American College of Gastroenterology  
*Advancing gastroenterology, improving patient care*

Congrats



Christina Penon, MD



Vani Selvan, MD



Their poster was accepted for presentation at the TAFP Annual Meeting being held November 9-13 in Arlington TX!

Presentation Title: **High Prevalence of STIs in West Texas**

Category: 2018 Student, Resident, and Community Physician Poster

Presenters: Cristina Penon, MD, Dr. Vani Selvan, MD.

a Way to GO!



Vani Selvan, MD



Their poster was accepted for presentation at the 2018 NAPCRG Annual Meeting being held November 9-13 in Chicago!

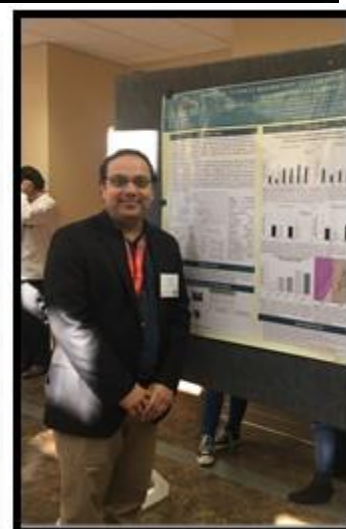
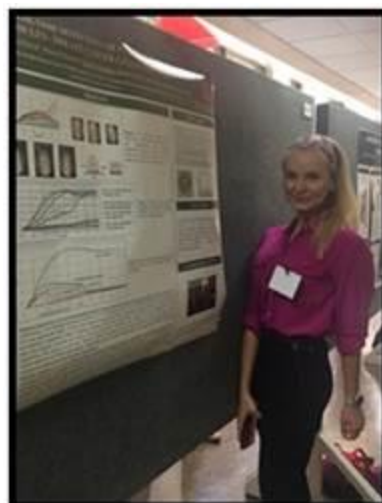
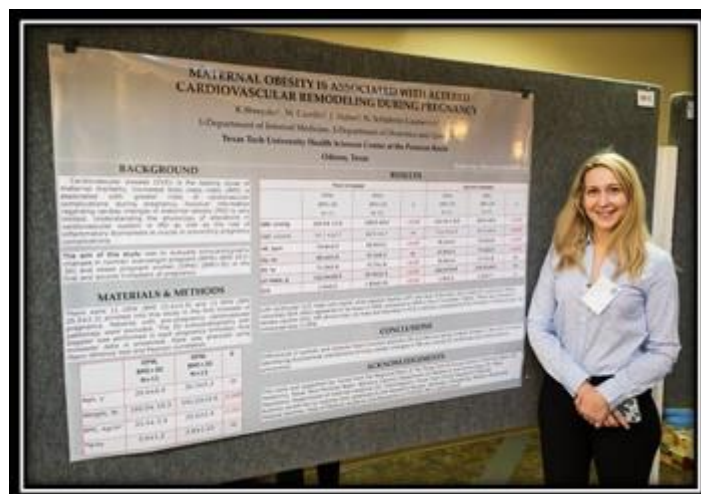
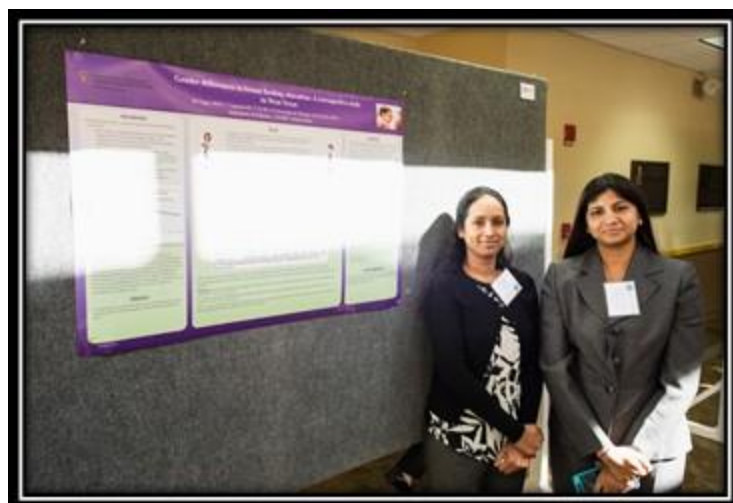
Presentation Title: **Beliefs & Knowledge about the Prevention & Progression of Diabetes in Patients of Texas Tech Family Physicians Family Medicine Clinic in Odessa Texas**

Category: NAPCRG 2017 Student, Resident, Fellows Poster on Research in Progress

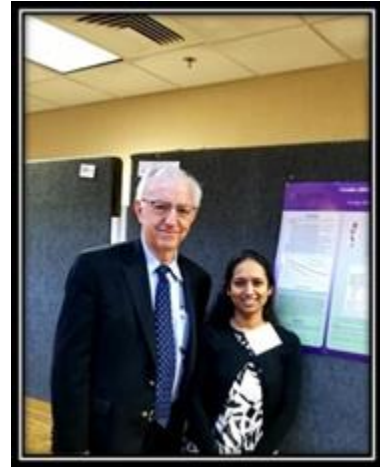
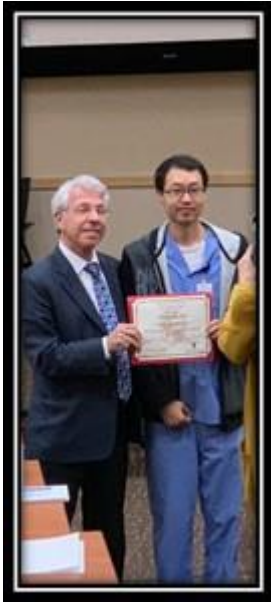
Presenters: Jasmin Aldridge, MSIV, Dr. Vani Selvan, MD



CONGRATULATIONS TO Dr. Steven Lee,  
who received an award for his work in  
**Raman Spectroscopy as a point-of care diagnostic tool**







PERMIAN BASIN CAMPUS HAD 7 PRESENTATIONS!



## Seminar Announcement

Biology Department  
College of Arts & Sciences

Library Building, Room LLCT 2  
Wednesday, October 24, 4:00 pm -

**Neurobiology of Alzheimer's disease  
from bench work to drug discovery**

**Chengxin Gong, PhD**

*Professor and Head, Laboratory of Brain Metal  
New York State Institute for Basic Research in Developmental Disabilities*



The lab team attended a seminar presented by Chengxin Gong, PhD, at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.



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HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

**INTERESTING CLINICAL VIGNETTES:  
*101 Ice Breakers for Medical Rounds***

Free textbook: [\*Interesting Clinical Vignettes: 101 Ice Breakers for Medical Rounds\*](#)

**TTUHSC Contributing Faculty:** Jannette M. Dufour, Gurvinder Kaur, Cassandra Kruczek, Neha Mittal, Alan N. Peiris, Rebecca B. Sleeper.

**TTUHSC Contributing Trainees:** Jessica Agrimor, Anna Calara, Sarah Jaroudi, Jeremy Moon, Sneha Raju, Shannon Rice, Kandis Wright.

*With assistance from Meredith Gavin*

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## Medical Student Training in Aging Research (MSTAR) Program

# MSTAR

Sponsored by the **National Institute on Aging (NIA)**, the MSTAR program provides medical students—particularly budding researchers—to consider a career in geriatrics by awarding short-term scholarships. MSTAR celebrates its 25th year.

The deadline for applications is **January 25, 2019**.



### The Program

The 2019 MSTAR Program provides medical students with an enriching experience in aging-related research and geriatrics, with the mentorship of top experts in the field. This program introduces students to research and academic experiences early in their training that they might not otherwise have during medical school. Positive experiences in the MSTAR program have led many physicians-in-training to pursue academic careers in aging, ranging from basic science to clinical research to health services research. They have joined the growing cadre of physicians and scientists whose specialized knowledge and skills are in great demand as our population ages.

Students participate in an eight- to twelve-week (or 2-3 months, depending on the training site) structured research, clinical, and didactic program in geriatrics, appropriate to their level of training and interests. Research projects are offered in basic, translational, clinical, or health services research relevant to older people. Most scholars will do their training and research during the summer months. They will also be invited to submit an abstract to present a poster at the Annual Meeting of the American Geriatrics Society in Long Beach, California May 7 – 9, 2020.

Letters of Intent now accepted for the  
American Federation for Aging Research's  
2019 Grant Programs!



[Glenn Foundation for Medical Research and AFAR Research Grants for Junior Faculty](#)

[Glenn Foundation for Medical Research Breakthroughs in Gerontology Awards](#)

[Arthritis and Aging Research Grant](#)

[Glenn Foundation for Medical Research Postdoctoral Fellowship in Aging Research](#)

[The Irene Diamond Fund/AFAR Postdoctoral Transition Awards in Aging](#)



The 2019 ACOG Annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting will be in Nashville, TN from May 3–6, 2019. We invite you to submit an abstract for an oral or ePoster presentation. If your abstract is accepted, you'll have the opportunity for:

- **Awards:** A limited number of meritorious abstracts will be accepted for awards and eligible for cash prizes
- **Collaboration and Networking:** Explore opportunities to collaborate and network with new and old colleagues
- **Publication:** All accepted oral and electronic poster (ePoster) abstracts will be published in the May digital supplement of *Obstetrics & Gynecology*. In addition, they will be available for viewing in the ACOG mobile meeting app

For more information and to submit an abstract, refer to the [call for abstract submission site](#).



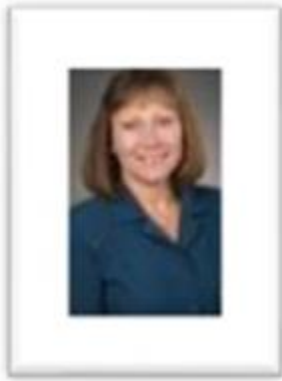
In 2018, more than 266,000 women, or 1 in 8 women, will be diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States. According to the American Cancer Society, over 40,000 women will die from breast cancer this year. It is the second leading cause of cancer death in American women. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the US and worldwide, regardless of race or ethnicity.

Every October, organizations around the world unite to raise awareness for breast cancer. Many government and non-profit organizations, such as NIEHS, CDC, and Susan G. Komen, have devoted resources and funding to support research studies and encourage screening for early detection. For example, the American Cancer Society has provided \$61 million of funding for breast cancer as of August 2018.

In support of breast cancer research, Boster Bio offers a range of [products related to breast cancer](#). Click below to find



out more about breast cancer, the international campaign, research funding, and Boster tools for your research.



Cathy Lovett (CRI) November Visit Dates



Clinical Research Institute Managing Director, Cathy Lovett  
Will be at the Permian Basin campus on **November 6th and 7th, 2018**

Contact Isabel Garza to set up an appointment

[isabel.garza@ttuhsc.edu](mailto:isabel.garza@ttuhsc.edu)



The 2019 Permian Basin Research Forum will be held on  
Thursday, May 2, 2019.

We look forward to your ideas and seeing you there and thank you for supporting research at the Permian Basin campus



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