Dr Falk Pharma UK/Core awards

The Dr Falk/Core awards recognise those who bring new knowledge and insight to the field of gastroenterology and hepatology.

AWARD WINNERS 2013

Essay Prize Winner

Greta Pells

Institute of Cellular Medicine, Newcastle University Medical School

Title of the project: The influence of age and gender on treatment efficacy and clinical phenotype in Primary Biliary Cirrhosis—are we treating two different diseases? Evidence from the UK-PBC Patient Cohort

Project Supervisor: Professor David Jones

Ross McMahon

Division of Cell and Developmental Biology, College of Life Sciences, University of Dundee

Title of the project: Identification of precancerous changes to crypt morphology in a mouse model for hereditary bowel cancer

Project Supervisor: Professor Inke Nathke

Student Bursaries

Alison Pitts

Institute of Cellular Medicine, Newcastle University Medical School

Title of the project: Understanding the mechanisms underpinning treatment non-response in Primary Biliary Cirrhosis: a tool for treatment stratification

Project Supervisor: Professor David Jones

Anna Burn-Murdoch

UCL Institute for Liver and Digestive Health

Title of the project: The diagnostic utility and predictive validity of central sarcopenia as a measure of nutritional status in patients with cirrhosis

Project Supervisors: Dr Marsha Y Morgan and Professor AK Burroughs

Olivia Greenham

Hepatitis C Virology (HCV) Research Lab, University of Birmingham

Title of the project: The role of 90 K in the HCV lifecycle and response to interferon

Project Supervisor: Professor Jane McKeating

Neale Marlow

UCL Institute for Liver and Digestive Health (Liver and Pancreatic Cancer Group)

Title of the project: Diagnostic efficacy of 3 T MRI and probe-based Confocal Laser Endomicroscopy (pCLE) for the assessment of biliary strictures

Project Supervisor: Dr Stephen Pereira

Elizabeth Thomas

Departments of General Practice and Primary Care, University of Glasgow

Title of the project: Does the presence of occult hepatitis B increase adverse liver-related outcomes in a population of Scottish patients with chronic hepatitis C?

Project Supervisors: Professor Peter Mills and Dr Racheal Swann

Cindy Lai

UCL Institute for Liver and Digestive Health (Liver and Pancreatic Cancer Group)

Title of the project: The derivation and validation of a new algorithm for the early diagnosis of pancreatic cancer

Project Supervisor: Dr Stephen Pereira

Doctor Bursaries

Tessa Coulson

Gastrointestinal Centre, Salford Royal Hospital

Title of the project: Investigating the central effect of peripheral exenatide administration in healthy volunteers: a physiological MRI study

Project Supervisor: Professor John McLaughlin

Jake Mann

Leeds Institute of Molecular Medicine, St James's University Hospital

Title of project: The effect of the omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acid eicosapentaenoic acid on macrophage chemotaxis in colorectal cancer

Project Supervisor: Professor Mark Hull

Nurses Grant

Mark Sephton

Gastroenterology Department, University Hospital South Manchester

Title of educational programme: Digestive Diseases Week, May 2013, Orlando, Florida

Sibongile Chadokufa

Great Ormond Street Hospital

Title of training programme: Haemopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation, May 2013, King's College London

ANNOUNCING 2014 AWARDS

For those committed to furthering research or patient care, this year's awards provide the opportunity to achieve national recognition as well as the financial support to take your career further.

This year's prizes include:

- ▶ One £1000 essay prize for medical students on BSc or MRes courses.
- ▶ Six £1000 bursaries for medical students taking full-time science degrees.
- ▶ Two £2200 bursaries to support research for F1/F2 doctors.
- ▶ Three £500 awards for primary and secondary care nurses for initiatives that have advanced patient care.

Applications close at 17:00 on 28 March 2014.

Download an application form here: <http://www.corecharity.org.uk/falk-core-awards-2014>

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