



**University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine
2019 COM STUDENT RESEARCH & SCHOLARSHIP FORUM - September 13**

CATEGORY: Medical Student - Basic Science Research

1st place	Award \$100	2nd place	Award \$75	3rd place	Award \$50
Courtney Brann, OMS II		Kassidy Veasaw, OMS II		Alay Nanavati, OMS II	
Title: Characterization of the Role of Brinker in Injury-Induced Allodynia		Title: Understanding the Role of Spinal GABAergic Neurons in Cancer-induced Bone Pain		Title: ARA290, a small non-hematopoietic peptide derived from erythropoietin, prolongs healthspan and attenuates age-associated declines in the heart's structure and function	
Authors: Brann, C., OMSII ^{1,2} ; McParland, A ¹ ; Moulton, J ¹ ; Ganter, G., Ph.D. ¹		Authors: Veasaw, K, OMSII, Stark, B, OMSII, Eaton, V, BS, King, T, Ph.D. University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biomedical Sciences, Biddeford, Maine		Authors: Nanavati, A ¹ , OMS-II, Moen, J., B.S. ² , Axsom, J., B.S. ² , Krawczyk, M.B.S. ² , Petrashevskaya, N., Ph.D. ² , Beyman, M., B.S. ² , Ramirez, C., B.S. ² , Alfaras, I., Ph.D. ² , Mitchell, S., Ph.D. ² , Bernier, M., Ph.D. ² , Morrell, C., Ph.D. ² , Sollott, S., M.D. ² , Juhaszova, M., M.D. ² , deCabo, R., Ph.D. ² , Lakatta, E., M.D. ²	
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**CATEGORY: Medical Student - Clinical Research or Qualitative Research
(includes Case Studies)**

<p>1st place Award \$100</p> <p>Brandon Toll, OMS II</p> <p>Title: Risk Factors for Proximal Junctional Kyphosis in Children with Neuromuscular Scoliosis</p> <p>Authors: Toll^{1,2}, B, OMSII, Amanullah¹, A, B.S., Samdani¹, A, M.D., Pahys¹, J, M.D., Hwang¹, S, M.D. ¹ Shriners Hospital for Children, Departments of Orthopedic and Neurosurgery, Philadelphia, PA ² University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biddeford, ME</p>	<p>2nd place Award \$75</p> <p>Divya Padmanabhan, OMS II</p> <p>Title: A quantitative analysis of palliative care related discussions on Twitter with an emphasis on the caregiver perspective</p> <p>Authors: Padmanabhan, DL, OMSIII, Gugliucci, MR, Ph.D. University of New England, College of Arts and Sciences, Biddeford, ME</p>	<p>3rd place Award \$50</p> <p>Brett Armstrong, OMS II</p> <p>Title: Rural/Urban Disparities in Opioid Use-Associated Infective Endocarditis</p> <p>Authors: Armstrong, B., OMSII^{1,3}; Nenninger, E.K., M.D.²; Thakarar, K. D.O., M.P.H.^{2,3}; Carwile, J.L., Sc.D.² ¹University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biddeford, ME ²Maine Medical Center, Department of Internal Medicine, Portland, ME ³Maine Medical Center Research Institute, Scarborough, ME</p>
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 Awards were given to the first authors receiving the highest scores in each of the Award Categories. The names of the winners were announced at the awards ceremony and the winners were announced in the UNE Community News and COMPass Newsletter.