2023 Award Winners
The 17th Annual
Lewis Landsberg Research Day
Public Health and Social Science Research

First Place: Hyungkyung Kim, PhD, postdoctoral scholar
Does high self-control accelerate epigenetic aging in low-income adolescents?

Second Place: Kranti Rumalla, medical student
Social Determinants of Health and Joint Pain and Physical Limitation in Patients with Arthritis

Third Place: Rebecca Lovett, PhD, assistant professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science
Twelve Year Physical Function Trajectories and their Determinants among Older Adults: Findings from the LitCog Study

Clinical Research

First Place: Charles Wang, medical student
Diameter of Lower Esophageal Sphincter Defines Presence of Pediatric Hiatal Hernia

Second Place: Yishu Qu, PhD candidate
Accelerated Epigenetic Aging is Associated with Hepatic Fat and Imaging-Diagnosed Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease

Third Place: Qiang Zhang, MD, PhD, research professor of Hematology and Oncology
Dynamic development of ESR1 mutations in circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) is associated with prognosis of patients with metastatic breast cancer
Basic Science Research

First Place: Connor Lantz, PhD candidate
Apoptotic Cell Engulfment and Digestion in Macrophages Triggers Synthesis of Bioactive Lipids to Promote Regeneration

Second Place: Maureen Haynes, PhD candidate
Identifying Mechanisms Regulating Transendothelial Migration of Neutrophils in the Lungs During Acute Airspace Disease

Third Place: Kathryn Jackson-Jones, PhD, postdoctoral scholar
Functional study of N6-methyladenosine (m6A) machinery in HIV infection of primary CD4+ T cells

Award for Excellence in Women’s Health Research in Basic Science

Atieh Hajirahimkhan, PhD, postdoctoral scholar
Licochalcone A as a risk reducing agent against luminal and non-luminal breast cancers

Award for Excellence in Women’s Health Research in Clinical or Public Health Research

Tejasvi Peesay, MD, MSc, clinical resident and fellow
Racial And Ethnic Disparities In Preterm Birth Among Individuals With Hypertensive Disorders Of Pregnancy In The United States, 2020-2021