

Memo

TO: School of Medicine's Faculty, Staff, Postdoctoral Fellows, Residents, and Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Medical Student Members

FROM: Andrew Newton, MS IV, Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society Member, Gregory B. Carey, Ph.D., Director of Student Summer Research and Community Outreach, Assistant Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, and Qi Cao, J.D., Program Coordinator

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RE: **Medical Student Research Day 2012, September 27, 2012**

The Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Society and the Office of Student Research (OSR) in the Dean's Office cordially invite you to the **35th annual Medical Student Research Day (MSRD)** to be held on **Thursday, September 27, 2012** in Bressler Research Building (BRB) and Medical School Teaching Facility (MSTF). MSRD is a proud tradition for University of Maryland's medical students to present their research accomplishments to the school and the campus. The presentations will be judged, and competitive prizes will be awarded in recognition of outstanding research and presentations.

We would also like to invite you to participate as a judge for any of the presentation sessions. We appreciate and extend our thanks to those of you who have attended and judged this event in the past. We look forward to your attendance and support again this year. **Please indicate if you would be willing to judge oral or poster sessions or both and your availability through the online [Judges Availability Form](#) by Monday, September 17.** Details regarding the judging process will be provided.

We hope that you would encourage medical students who have worked with you on research projects in the past two years to participate in MSRD. All medical students currently attending University of Maryland School of Medicine are eligible to participate in MSRD. To be eligible for presentation and competition, the research must have occurred within two years from the date of MSRD regardless of the location of the research and must not be part of dissertation research. Clinical case presentations are eligible.

Guidelines for MSRD, including instructions for online abstract submission will be available on the [MSRD website](#) by Thursday, September 13. The **deadline for abstract submission is Wednesday, September 19, 2012, 11:59 pm.**

MSRD will begin at noon, and presentation sessions will end near 6:00 pm followed by the awards banquet until 8:00 pm. Please RSVP through the online [RSVP Form](#) by September 24 if you plan to attend the event. **If you wish to attend dinner and keynote address, please RSVP by September 19.** We look forward to your participation.

Questions can be directed to Andrew Newton, AOA Member, at Andrew.Newton@som.umaryland.edu.