Celebrating student achievements

Award winning HYMS students were honoured at an annual prize giving ceremony at the University of Hull.

The ceremony, which was attended by the chancellor of the university, Baroness Bottomley of Nettlestone, was attended by the vice chancellors of the universities of Hull and York, other university staff, representatives from the local NHS, prize winning undergraduate and postgraduate students and their guests.

HYMS fundraising staff who had worked hard to raise money for the charities HYMS had chosen to support for its 10th anniversary year also took part.

The Dean of HYMS, Professor Trevor Sheldon, paid tribute to all the undergraduate students who had won HYMS prizes. They were:

- Emma Mullen: Highest overall mark in two Year 1 written papers in life sciences and clinical sciences
- Eleonora Gkigkelou: Highest overall mark in a Year 1 practical examination in clinical skills and person-centred care
- Hannah Morgan: Highest overall mark in Year 1 written papers in evidence-based decision-making, managing resources, population health and medicine
- Nartani Nithianandasivam: Highest number of Excellent grades for Year 1 Student Selected Components during the year
- James Hills: Highest overall mark in two Year 2 written papers in life sciences and clinical sciences
- Laila Jabr: Highest overall mark in a Year 2 practical examination in clinical skills and person-centred care
- Rebecca Healey: Highest overall mark in Year 2 written papers in evidence-based decision-making, managing resources, population health and medicine
- Ayse Djahit and Martin Gribbin: Highest number of Excellent grades for Year 2 Student Selected Components during the year
- Katie Beaumont: Highest score for Excellent grades during the year;
- Highest score for Excellent grades during both years of Phase I
- David Quinn: Highest overall mark in two Year 4 written papers in life sciences and clinical sciences
- Rhiannon Smith: Best performance in intermediate clinical practice examination in Year 4 covering clinical skills and person-centred care
- John Wilson: Highest overall mark in Year 4 written papers in evidence-based decision-making, managing resources, population health and medicine; Highest score for Excellent grades during both years of Phase II
- Julia Gamblies: Highest number of Student Selected Components graded as Excellent and satisfied the progression requirements in the Record of Achievement
- Christopher Saleh: Bob Morton Memorial Prize, awarded to the student with the best overall grades in humanities Student Selected Components throughout both Phases I and II

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Miriam’s funding awards

Professor Miriam Johnson has been awarded an Australian National Health and Medical Research Council grant as a co-investigator in collaboration with Australian and international colleagues.

The grant has been awarded to conduct a Phase III randomised controlled trial of sustained release morphine for the symptomatic treatment of chronic refractory breathlessness and will commence in 2014 for three years. In addition Miriam has recently received principal investigator grants from the British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research UK/Marie Curie.
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- Tushar Mann: Dr Jagdish Raut Award, awarded to a student in the second year of the MB BS programme who has made the greatest advancement in terms of academic studies
- Shirley Sze: The Dorothy Robson Essay Prize, awarded for her essay on: “What is Advance Care Planning and how could it be systemically implemented in end of life care”
- Joshua Griffith: The Dorothy Robson Prize for best palliative medicine Student Selected Component
- Amy Gadoud: The Dorothy Robson Bursary for financial support to attend conferences relevant to the field of palliative medicine where the applicant has a poster or oral presentation
- Helen Woodward: Dr Mike Hardey Award, awarded to the Year 1 student who has achieved the highest score for Excellent grades during the year
- Gabriella Thompson and Katy Skeats: Professor Steve Leveson Elective Travel Bursary awarded to support HYMS students with elective travel to Africa for the best descriptions of why they had chosen a particular destination or institution and what the benefits of the elective might be to themselves and the community.

Professor Sheldon also acknowledged the efforts of postgraduate students who had received recognition during the year in their fields: Viviana Toro-Ibacache, Dr Amy Gadoud, Dr Jamilla Hussain, Dr Pierluigi Costanzo, Dr Dan Carradice, Dr Jessie Morgan and Dr Priyad Ariyaratnam.

Hull is ‘City of Culture’
Hull has been named the UK’s next City of Culture, beating Leicester, Dundee and Swansea Bay to the right to hold the title in 2017.

Revision sessions
FY2 doctor and HYMS alumnus Adam Jakes has designed and launched a revision course, ‘Consolid-8’ aimed at fourth-year medical students. Described as “A series of fast paced, interactive revision sessions”, the course is free and will run in eight sessions. For details, email adam.jakes@hyms.ac.uk
More student successes

Congratulations to the following students who have had research accepted for presentation at conferences:

Third year student Lynne Carty has scooped the top award for the “Best Oral Presentation” by a local medical student at the 2013 Yorkshire School of Paediatrics Annual Meeting held in Leeds. Her presentation discussed the results of a project she undertook on the long term effects of cranial irradiation in children with brain tumours. Congratulations also to Emily Moore and Stephanie Harrison who were chosen to present posters at the conference.

Year 3 student Joe Suich (pictured left) attended the recent Federation of Infection conference at the International Convention Centre in Birmingham where he presented a poster on “Combination antibiotic therapy for treatment of uropathogenic E. coli”. Joe, who already has a Biomedical Sciences degree and experience working as a Biomedical Scientist, conducted his lab-based research over two summers at the Centre for Immunology and Infection at the University of York, following a Student Selected Component in Pathology with Dr Marjan van der Woude. The work was in support of Dr Gavin Barlow’s clinical research relating to combination antibiotic use in patients with recurrent urinary tract infections and was supervised by Dr van der Woude and Dr Barlow, who is based at Castle Hill Hospital. Joe is hoping to continue with this line of research in the future. Follow the link to see the poster abstract (no. 73): 

BaBY is growing

Researchers from HYMS, the University of York and the NHS are expanding a project to investigate the health and well-being of newborn babies and their parents to include a study of depression during pregnancy and early motherhood.

The BaBY project (Born and Bred in Yorkshire) is a research study following a large group of mothers, their partners and babies from pregnancy onwards. It aims to find out more about the health and well-being of babies and their parents during pregnancy, labour and after birth.

It looks at factors such as maternal and obstetric health, mental and physical wellbeing of parents, and child health. The project began at York Hospital in 2011 and has recently expanded to three more hospitals – Hull Royal Infirmary, Harrogate, and Scunthorpe and Goole. Already nearly 2,000 families are taking part and more than 1,000 BaBY babies have been born.

Chief Investigator Professor Simon Gilbody from HYMS Centre for Health and Population Sciences and the Department of Health Sciences at the University of York, leads the project. 
**Calendar of events**

For full details of all these events, plus many more lectures, seminars, conferences and social events, visit [www.hyms.ac.uk/about-us/news-centre/forthcoming-events](http://www.hyms.ac.uk/about-us/news-centre/forthcoming-events).

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**December**

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Seminar
Understanding the patient experience of the symptoms of wound infection
University of Hull

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Video-linked lecture
Tracking an outbreak of acute hepatitis C infection in HIV-positive men
Dr Emma Thomson
University of Hull and University of York

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HYMS staff
Christmas lunch
Cave Castle Hotel, South Cave
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**January**

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Research showcase
“York Talk”
Prof Koen Lamberts
University of York

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Seminar
Regulation of Cancer Cell Proliferation and survival by NF-kappaB
Prof Neil Perkins
University of York

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**Research publications**

RECENT publications by HYMS staff include:


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**“Inspire” lecture series**

THE third Student Research Society Inspire ‘Path to Science’ lecture will take place on Thursday 12 December video-linked between the Ryton and Alcuin Lecture Theatre at the Universities of Hull and York. Dr Emma Thomson, Clinical Senior Lecturer at the Centre for Virus Research at the University of Glasgow, will speak about ‘Tracking an outbreak of acute hepatitis C infection in HIV-positive men’. Follow the link for further details and a report on the first lecture in the series, given by Dr David Wood of Guy’s and St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust and King’s Health Partners, London.

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**Ian Cumming visits HYMS**

“We exist to help improve the quality of care for all patients,” said Professor Ian Cumming, Chief Executive of Health Education England (HEE), when he visited HYMS at Hull Royal Infirmary.

He chatted to students, alumni and staff about the medical school, asking about HYMS’ approach to providing integrated teaching and learning opportunities across acute and community healthcare environments. He also wanted to find out more about the medical school’s approach to meeting its commitment to improve healthcare within areas of greatest need in the community.

Prof Cumming toured HYMS facilities at the hospital as well as giving a lecture about how HEE could help deliver high quality care. He thanked HYMS staff for organising his visit and said how impressed he was with the HYMS students he met.

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**Season’s Greetings**

to all HYMS colleagues, students and associates.

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