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5:00 to 5:30 PM

WELCOME

Barbara Malm, MBA, FPTR CEO

5:30 to 5:45 PM

REMARKS

Paul Rockar, Jr., PT, DPT, MS, FAPTA, FPTR President

5:45 to 7:00 PM

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A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Tonight, we celebrate the promising research funded in 2021 and the patrons that have made these investments in our future possible. We believe these awardees are among the best and brightest, poised to meet the many urgent needs of the profession. We are grateful for both those that can join us tonight and those that are unable to do so. Your support makes our work possible.

You know that physical therapy improves lives. You likely see it every day in clinics and in classrooms. Thanks to generous people like you, researchers help develop early infancy tools for children with cerebral palsy, pave the way for wearable technology for people with Parkinson's and autism, explore how social and environmental factors can affect patient outcomes, and so much more.

We are grateful that we can gather in these unpredictable times to acknowledge the importance of physical therapy in the lives of patients and families everywhere. Despite the many challenges that lie ahead, 2022 is already looking bright as we continue to invest in research and researchers exploring innovative solutions that improve patient outcomes, improve treatments and advance the profession.

I invite you to meet more of our funded researchers and find out more about our work at Foundation4pt.org. Thank you for creating a better future for physical therapy.

We hope this year brings you good health and professional success. Thank you for your support of physical therapy research. We could not do this without you.

Sincerely,



Paul Rockar, Jr., PT, DPT, MS, FAPTA
President, FPTR Board of Trustees



Paul Rockar, Jr., PT, DPT, MS, FAPTA, is a respected physical therapist and educator. Rockar joined the FPTR Board in 2017 and his term as President began in 2020. Prior to serving on the FPTR Board of Trustees, Rockar served as APTA President and President and Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association. He retired from his role as CEO of UPMC Centers for Rehab Services, a rehabilitation agency based in Pittsburgh, Pa., to spend more time with his family, including his wife, Judy, and grandchildren.

2022 Service Awards

We would like to thank the following for their contributions to our mission.

Helene Fearon, PT, FAPTA, Sheila Schindler-Ivens, PT, PhD, Randy Roesch, PT, DPT, MBA, FAPTA, and Fran Welk, PT, DPT, MED, will each receive the 2022 Robert C. Bartlett Trustee Recognition Service Award for their personal service and commitment as a trustee upon completion of their final year serving on the FPTR Board.

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists (AAO-MPT) will receive the 2022 Premier Partner in Research Award.

Connie Hauser, PT, DPT, will receive the 2022 Charles M. Magistro Distinguished Service Award – named after FPTR's first president and chair.

Charlene "Billie" Nelson, PT, MA, FAPTA, will posthumously receive the 2022 Spirit of Philanthropy Award.

2021 GRANT RECIPIENTS

Benjamin Binder-Markey, PT, DPT, PhD, of Drexel University

Binder-Markey is awarded the \$40,000 Deusinger Family Research Grant for the application titled: "Effectiveness of a Novel Multimodal Intervention to Prevent Botulinum Neurotoxin Induced Muscle Stiffness." This grant is supported through the Deusinger Family Endowment Fund.

Mitchell Selhorst, MPT, DPT, PhD, of Nationwide Children's Hospital

Selhorst is awarded the \$100,000 Magistro Family Foundation Research Grant for the application

titled: "Psychologically-Informed Education intervention for Adolescents with Atraumatic Lower-Extremity Injuries." This grant is supported through the Magistro Family Foundation Endowment Fund.

Joshua Stefanik, MSPT, PhD, of Northeastern University

Stefanik is awarded the \$40,000 Orthopaedic Research Grant for the application titled: "Relation of walking cadence to knee joint loading, pain, and function." Funding was made possible through the Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Fund Endowment.

2021 GRANT RECIPIENTS (cont.)

Sarah Blanton, PT, DPT, of Emory University

Blanton is awarded the \$100,000 Paris Patla Physical Therapy Research Grant for the application titled: "Evaluation of a Carepartner-Integrated Telehealth Gait Rehabilitation Program for Persons with Stroke." Funding for this grant is made possible by the Paris Patla Endowment Fund.

Alison Barnard, PT, DPT, PhD, of University of Florida

Barnard is awarded the \$40,000 Pediatric Research Grant for the application titled: "Contracture Pathophysiology in Muscular Dystrophy." Funding for this grant was made possible by the Pediatric Research Fund.

Brad Corr, PT, DPT, of Boys Town National Research Hospital

Corr is awarded the \$40,000 Foundation Research Grant for the application titled, "Powering Through Transition: Therapeutic Power Training for Adolescents and Adults with Cerebral Palsy." This grant was made possible by the APTA Support the Profession Fund. This award will be named in honor of the 2021 VCU-Marquette Challenge.

2021 RESEARCH FUNDING RECIPIENTS

New Investigator Fellowship Training Initiative (NIFTI)

Julia Mazzarella, PT, DPT, of The Ohio State University, is the recipient of this year's combined PODS II/NIFTI award. She will apply this award to her project titled: "Hippotherapy for Children with Cerebral Palsy: Upper Extremity Activity, Participation, and Engagement." While this award offers up to \$115,000 in support of the final year of the post-candidacy phase in addition to the first two years of the research fellowship, Mazzarella will be awarded the \$15,000 portion of the Combined PODS II/NIFTI scholarship this year. This portion of the award was funded through the APTA PODS Fund.

2021 RESEARCH FUNDING RECIPIENTS (cont.)

Congratulations to the 2021 PODS I Scholarship Recipients:

Renata Braudy, PT, MS, MA, OCS, CI T, at University of Minnesota

Project titled: "Shoulder dysfunction and quality of life after breast cancer surgery and reconstruction: implications for rehabilitation and survivorship"

Funded through the APTA PODS Fund

Morgan Busboom, PT, DPT, at Boys Town National Research Hospital

Project Titled: "Robotic Exoskeleton Gait Training in Adolescents with Cerebral Palsy"

Recipient of the Mildred Wood Award funded through the Mildred Wood Fund

Lauren Hinrichs, PT, DPT, OCS, at University of Colorado

Project Titled: "Optimizing Rehabilitation in Skilled Nursing Facilities"

Funded through the APTA PODS Fund

Adam Janowski, PT, DPT, at University of Iowa

Project Titled: "The validation of metabolic biomarkers, malate and fumarate, using animal and human research designs in chronic pain." Recipient of the Florence Kendall Award funded through the Florence Kendall Doctoral Scholarship Fund

Patrick Knox, PT, DPT, MS, at University of Delaware

Project Titled: "Neurovascular Coupling Responses to Pain Processing in Geriatric Chronic Low Back Pain" Recipient of the Florence Kendall Award funded through the Florence Kendall Doctoral Scholarship Fund

Jeffrey Konrad, PT, DPT, at Washington University in St. Louis

Project Titled: "Wearable Sensors for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder"

Recipient of the Marquette Challenge Award funded through the General Research Fund

Jamie Kronenberg, PT, DPT, at The Ohio State University

Project titled: "Validation of an Evidence-Based Return to Sport Movement Assessment after ACL Reconstruction" Made possible by general donation from PhysicalTherapy.Com to the General Research Fund

Dana McCarty, PT, DPT, at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Project Titled: "Contextual factors impacting parent presence in the NICU: Enhancing preterm infant motor development through parental support" Recipient of the Pediatric PODS Award funded by the Academy of Pediatric Physical Therapy Fund

Andrew Post, PT, DPT, at The University of Iowa

Project Titled: "Impact of Physical Therapists Identification of Pain Mechanisms and Pain-related Psychological Factors on Patient Outcomes in Clinical Practice"

Recipient of the Charlene Mae Nelson Award funded through the Charlene Mae Nelson Endowment Fund

Michelle Rauzi, PT, DPT, ATC, at University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

Project Titled: "Telehealth for Medically Complex Older Veterans"

Funded by the Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy

Jenna Zajac, PT, DPT, at Boston University

Project Titled: "The Relationship between Walking Capacity and Real-World Walking Activity in Persons with Parkinson Disease" Recipient of the Patricia Leahy Award funded by the Neurology Endowment Fund

Congratulations to the 2021 PODS II Scholarship Recipients:

Elanna Arhos, PT, DPT, at University of Delaware

Project Titled: "Can we modify gait asymmetry after ACL reconstruction?"
Funded through the APTA Supporting the Profession Fund

Elizabeth Choma, PT, DPT, GCS, at University of Minnesota

Project Titled: "Fall Risk and Fall Experiences in Older Adults with Peripheral Artery Disease: A Mixed Methods Approach" Recipient of the Scot C. Irwin Award funded by Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Physical Therapy Endowment Fund

Kristin Johnson, PT, DPT, at The University of Iowa

Project Titled: "The Comparison of Females' Capacity to Condition the Spinal Reflex and to Regulate Transcortical Reflex Responses to Perturbation during Dynamic Performance at Distinct Phases of the Menstrual Cycle" Equally funded by the Charlene Mae Nelson Fund and the Academy of Pelvic Health

Allison Miller, PT, DPT, NCS, at University of Delaware

Project Titled: "Real-world Walking Activity Post-Stroke" Recipient of the Mary Lou Barnes Award funded by the Neurology Endowment Fund

Rebecca Molinini, PT, DPT, at Virginia Commonwealth University

Project Titled: "Emotional Availability During Parent Child Interaction in Children with Developmental Delays" Equally funded through APTA PODS Fund and the Legacy Scholarship Fund

Rachel Prusynski, PT, DPT, NCS, at University of Washington

Project titled: "Physical Therapy Processes and Outcomes in Skilled Nursing Facilities in the Context of Shifting Policy" Recipient of the Karen St. John Award funded through the General Research Fund

Gaura Saini , PT, DPT, at University of Minnesota

Project Titled: "Scapular Mechanisms of Movement-Related Shoulder Dysfunction" Recipient of the Phoebe Rhomberger Award funded by the Phoebe Rhomberger Fund

Jonathan Tsay, PT, DPT, at University of California Berkeley

Project Titled: "Neural Mechanisms supporting Implicit and Explicit Sensorimotor Learning" Equally funded through the Neurology Endowment Fund and the General Research Fund

Andrew Wagner, PT, DPT, at The Ohio State University

Project Titled: "Vestibular Contributions to Age-Related Imbalance" Recipient of the Phoebe Rhomberger Award funded by the Phoebe Rhomberger Fund

OUR EXHIBIT SCHEDULE

ALL EXHIBIT HOURS

Booth #1641
Exhibit Hall

VCU-Marquette Challenge

Friday
1:30pm to 2:30 pm

VCU-Marquette Challenge

Student coordinators will be on site to answer questions about the Challenge and accept gifts toward school totals.

General Inquiries

Visit us at booth #1641 for questions about our funding, donations, and volunteer opportunities.

T Shirt and iPad Giveaway

Make a gift to FPTR at our booth and receive a free shirt. You can also be registered to win an iPad.

Students Give Forward

Join us at booth #1641 on Friday, February 4, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. for a special event to connect PT and PTA students with research. Drop by to meet some of the FPTR-funded researchers who have received the Marquette Challenge award to further their research. The first 150 students will receive a special giveaway item!

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