

**Award: Promising Medical Student Surgery
Education Research : Entry # 18624****Basic Information****Your name:**

Tasha Posid MA, PhD

Your title:

Assistant Professor of Urology (Education Specialist)

Your institution

The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center

Your email address:Tasha.Posid@osumc.edu**Nominee Information****Name of nominee:**

Molly McNamara

Nominee's institution

The Ohio State University College of Medicine

Nominee's title

Medical Student

Nominee's email address:Molly.McNamara@osumc.edu**Eligibility****Has the nominee completed at least two years of medical school?**

Yes

Has the nominee been an author on a peer-reviewed manuscript or curricular project in surgical education?

Yes

Has the nominee held a leadership role in a course or group related to surgery or surgical education?

Yes

Is the nominee planning to do surgical residency (any specialty)?

Yes

Short Essays

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Molly McNamara is currently a fourth-year medical student at The Ohio State University College of Medicine and is one of our top and most outstanding students whose performance sets an example and high standards for others to follow. She demonstrates an exceptional commitment to quality improvement, allowing her to pave the way for exceptional patient-centered medical care. Her work in both education and research promote these high standards and set an example for other medical students. She has all of the characteristics and attributes for a highly successful surgical career and will bring a wealth of talent and enthusiasm to the medical profession.

Some qualities that I believe highlight Molly's accomplishments in medical school as they relate to surgical education, both her own and in the continued improvement of surgical training and the providing of transformative patient care:

(1) Molly confidently took ownership of several research projects during medical school, consistently succeeding in the dual role of team player and captain to ensure that those around her would succeed. Her effective communication and research skills have resulted in several publications and numerous conference proceedings/abstracts, as well as awards for this work. A notable example is her involvement in an effort to evaluate a Comprehensive Kidney Stone Program at our affiliated community hospital with high rates of Medicare and Medicaid patients, which serves a very diverse and underserved community. She has served as the lead medical student researcher on this project, providing both scholarly output and improvements to patient care that are applicable to our entire healthcare team (not just medical students!).

(2) In a similar effort to promote top-notch patient care (and/or improve patient care via QI and QA efforts), Molly has worked on several projects with faculty in our department meant to improve workflow, diagnosis management, and post-operative outcomes (see attached CV).

(3) Molly demonstrates a commitment to serving her community outside of projects related to scholarly output: For example, she participated in Hindsight, a student-led group that seeks to provide the younger class with mentoring and academic support, which also presented her with the opportunity to coordinate presentations, mentorship opportunities, and answer questions (i.e. "pay it forward"). Additionally, she served as a medical student board member for the Columbus Free Clinic, working to provide local, underserved patients with access to affordable and quality healthcare. I think this last point is particularly admirable and worth noting, as many students get involved with research and/or QI for the function of adding it to their resume. Instead, Molly has taken on her projects for altruistic reasons, which may or may not have led to scholarly output in and of itself. I value her commitment to improving her community, patient care, and educating the next generation.

How has the nominee demonstrated passion and enthusiasm for surgery and surgical education research?

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Molly wants to improve patient lives and outcomes. Her involvement in community outreach and quality improvement, particularly in medical school, both reflects and complements her interests. The fact that medical/surgical education research has stemmed from this is due to her passion in this area, as she continues to 'lead the charge' in the projects and efforts she has joined.

I have had the pleasure of working with Molly on several research projects directly, and have provided supervision and mentorship during medical school. I would like to highlight a few key examples of her passion and enthusiasm for surgery and surgical education research:

(1) Student Leadership/Teaching: Molly has served in several key leadership roles to promote surgical education – both her own and that of others. She has served as a Student Outreach Coordinator, was on the Steering Committee for the Columbus Free Clinic, has interviewed applicants to the medical school as part of the Admissions Committee, and has held leadership roles in direct surgical education groups (e.g. Ultrasound in Clinical, Academic, Research, and Education). Anecdotally, as a current fourth year medical student, she has also been able to actively lead research teams (e.g. train younger medical students) on best-practices and research methods.

(2) Surgical Education Research: Although Molly is certainly dedicated to surgical education in and of itself, she has also been involved in key projects that have resulted in scholarly output. For example, she worked with on a project related to the use of social media by residency programs, specifically looking at program usage pre- and during-/post- the COVID-19 pandemic. Her interest in this subject matter even years before she was set to participate in the Match exemplify her passion and commitment to understanding and improving surgical education.

Additional Information

Please list the nominee's peer-reviewed manuscripts related to surgical education.

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McNamara M, Ceron y Ceron M, Merrill AL, Husain SG. Colonic Intussusception Masquerading as Diverticulitis: A Case Report of a 31 y/o diagnosed with colorectal carcinoma after multiple presentations to the ED for episodes of acute diverticulitis. *Journal of Surgical Case Reports* . (2022); 2022(3): 1-3.

Cited in PubMed; PMID: 35368383.

Pub Status: Published.

McNamara, Molly; Posid, Tasha; Dason, Shawn. Incidental Splenosis Discovered During Robotic Assisted Radical Prostatectomy: A Case Report. *Urology Case Reports*. (2022); 45(NA): NA.

Cited in PubMed; PMID: 36117735.

Pub Status: Published.

Eliza W. Beal, MD; Molly McNamara, BS; Mackenzie Owen, BS; Ann Scheck McAlearney, ScD; Allan Tsung, MD. *Journal of Gastrointestinal Cancer. Interventions to Improve Surveillance for Hepatocellular Carcinoma in High-Risk Patients: A Scoping Review*. (2022); Pub Status: Submitted.

J. Patrick Mershon, MD; Taylor Goodstein, MD; Aliza Khuhro, BS; Mary Charleton, BS; Amara Ndumele, BS; Molly McNamara, BS; Tasha Posid, MA, PhD; Chase Arnold, BS; Colin Kleinguetl, MD; Bodo Knudsen, MD; Michael Sourial, MD. *Journal of Endourology* . Post-Operative Events in Patients with Post-operative Day One Stent Removal after Percutaneous Nephrolithotomy. (2022); Pub Status: Submitted.

Stout, Megan; McNamara, Molly; Posid, Tasha; Khurho, Aliza; Murtha, Matthew; Yudovich, Max; Scimeca, Alicia; Diab, Dinah; Shidham, Ganesh; Weinandy, Elizabeth; Knudsen, Bodo; Sourial, Michael. *Journal of Endourology* . Improving Access and Quality of Care for Kidney Stone Patients in an Underserved Community. (2022); Pub Status: Submitted.

Taylor Goodstein, MD; J. Patrick Mershon, MD; Aliza Khuhro, BS; Mary Charleton, BS; Amara Ndumele, BS; Molly McNamara, BS; Tasha Posid, MA, PhD; Chase Arnold, BS; Colin Kleinguetl, MD; Bodo Knudsen, MD; Michael Sourial, MD. *Journal of Endourology* . Postoperative events and complications of next day stent removal following uncomplicated PCNL compared to longer stenting: A retrospective review. (2022); Pub Status: Submitted.

Manuscripts in Preparation:

Voiding Dysfunction after Intravesical Therapy for Non-muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer

- Retrospective study with the aim of assessing the effects of 3 different intravesical therapies on voiding dysfunction in patients with bladder cancer

Social Media Trends in Urology during COVID

- Analyze Twitter metrics for Urology residency programs before and during the COVID pandemic to determine trends in frequency of usage of Twitter and evolution of published content

Percutaneous Nephrolithotomy Research Study

- Retrospective study examining factors that contribute to adverse effects from Percutaneous Nephrolithotomy with the goal of developing a model that will allow clinicians to predict which patients are candidates for at-home stent removal

PIRADS Research Study

- Retrospective study examining the efficacy of cognitive prostate biopsy compared to MRI Ultrasound-Fusion Guide biopsy and Ultrasound biopsy

Paraesophageal Hernia Repair

- Retrospective study to identify factors that contribute to adverse outcomes in paraesophageal hernia repair

Please list any education or teaching awards the nominee has received.

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OUS 2022: Best Moderated Poster, 2nd Place: "Complications of next day stent removal following PCNL compared to longer stenting: A retrospective review"(Goodstein et al.)

"Most Collaborative Project: OSU College of Medicine Resident and Fellow QI Symposium" (Stout et al.)

Please list the nominee's education-related activities (e.g., lectures, programs, presentations, curricula, innovations for teaching or assessment, education-related research).

Admissions Committee: Student Interviewer and Deliberator

Hindsight: Class Representative

Community Health Education: Student Volunteer

Ultrasound Interest Group

+ see scholarly research above.

Please list the nominee's leadership roles in courses or groups related to surgery and surgical education.

Columbus Free Clinic: Longitudinal Care Provider; Student Outreach Coordinator

American Medical Association: Student Treasurer

NOOR Community Clinic Student Volunteer

+ those listed above under 'teaching'.

File Uploads**Please upload the nominee's CV.**

- [McNamara_CV_9-18.docx](#)

Personal Statement

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