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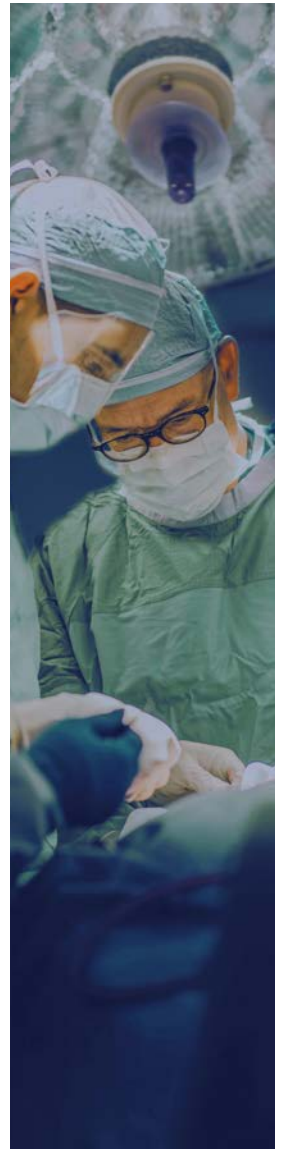
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WELCOME, VISITING SUB-IS!

Through the months of July, August, and September, we welcome MS4 students to our Department for sub-internships. Also known as "Sub-Is," these clinical experiences are valuable for medical students preparing for residency in neurosurgery. *Welcome Pierce, Rebekah, Sepehr, Henry, David, and Meghna!*



Pierce Spencer, MBA, MSc
Tulane University
Visiting: 7/11/22 - 8/5/22



Rebekah Langston, PhD
University of Arkansas
Visiting: 8/1/22 - 8/26/22



Sepehr Saberian, MBA
Morehouse College
Visiting: 8/1/22 - 8/26/22



Henry Chang
University of Miami
Visiting: 8/1/22 - 8/26/22



Meghna Bhattacharyya
Rowan University
Visiting: 8/29/22 - 9/23/22



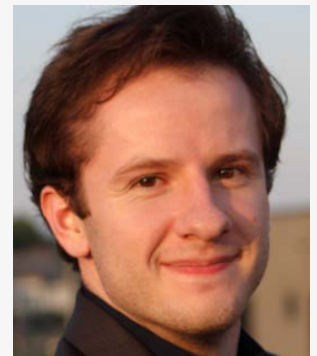
David Matichak
University of Miami
Visiting: 8/29/22 - 9/23/22

NEW TO THE DEPARTMENT

KONRAD WALEK, TRAUMA NEUROSURGERY RESEARCH FELLOW

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Konrad Walek is joining our department as our newest Neurotrauma Research Fellow! He is currently a medical student at Brown University, and will be here working on several clinical projects with **Bizhan Aarabi, MD, Josh Olexa, MD, PGY-5**, and the residents. Konrad's family is from Poland, and he grew up in southeast Michigan before moving to the east coast for college and medical school. In his free time, Konrad enjoys taekwondo, hiking, astrophotography, and hobby 3D modeling and printing. He's looking forward to a great year at Maryland Neurosurgery! *Welcome to the team, Konrad!*





FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



DR. MARC SIMARD

Marc Simard, MD, PhD is officially named Interim Chair of the Department of Physiology! "I am most eager to work closely with our new Dean, Dr. Mark Gladwin, a physician-scientist and physiologist," Dr. Simard says, "to advance the Department of Physiology to new heights of scientific accomplishment." *Congratulations, Dr. Simard!*

DR. GARY SCHWARTZBAUER

Gary Schwartzbauer, MD, PhD has been selected to serve as a UMSOM Faculty Standards subcommittee member for the upcoming Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME) accreditation review. As described by Dr. James Kaper, PhD, Vice Dean of Academic Affairs, the LCME provides accreditation to medical education programs leading to the MD degree in the United States and Canada. Accreditation involves a peer-reviewed process of quality assurance that determines whether the medical education program meets established standards, as well as encouraging ongoing institutional and programmatic improvement. The University of Maryland Department of Neurosurgery is proud to support the foundational training of future medical leaders. *Congrats, Dr. Schwartzbauer!*



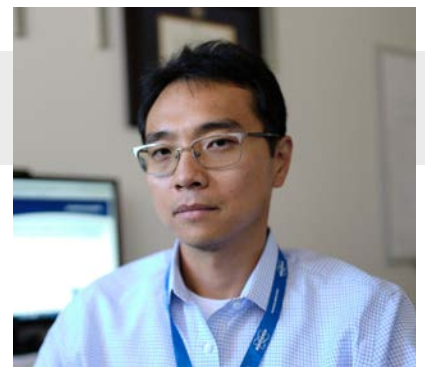
DR. KEN CRANDALL

Ken Crandall, MD, lead the discussion for Seattle Science Foundation's Virtual Spine Journal Club, Friday June 22nd! His talk was titled: "Intraoperative Use of Ultrasound," and can be viewed on SSF's YouTube Channel. Watch the full discussion [here](#).



DR. ANTHONY KIM

Anthony Kim, PhD received a VA Merit Review Award for \$1,109,041 to fund a study on novel drug delivery strategies for the treatment of breast cancer brain metastases. *Amazing work, Dr. Kim!*





ANNOUNCEMENTS!

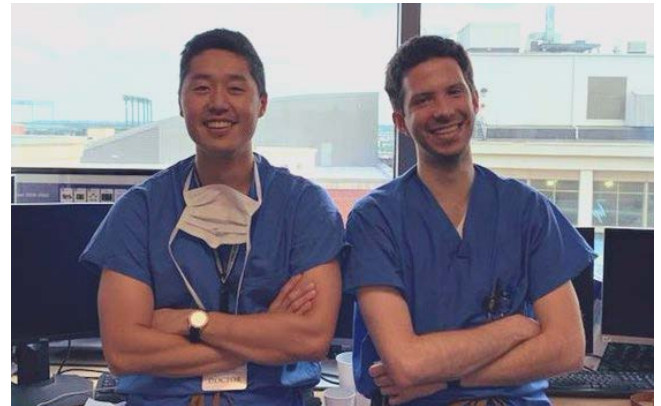


University of Maryland Medical Center: *Best Hospital!*

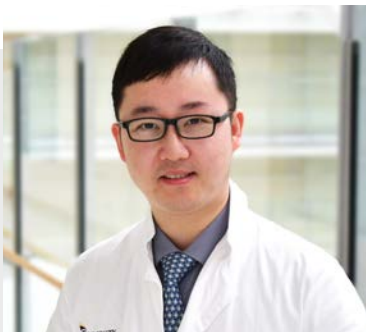
The University of Maryland Medical Center was recognized on July 18th by *The Baltimore Sun* as the Best Hospital!

Our Newest PGY-1s Begin Their Neurosurgery Journey!

Kevin Kim, MD and Steve Yarmoska, MD, PhD have officially started their neurosurgery journey's as PGY-1s! *We're so excited for you both, and we hope you have a successful first year with Maryland Neurosurgery!*



PUBLICATIONS



Dr. Chixiang Chen's paper on information integration was recently accepted by the *Biometrical Journal*! This paper illustrates the method developed to integrate information from the secondary outcome to elevate the estimation efficiency in the survival analysis. Dr. Chen expects the publication to proceed in the next few months! *Great work!*

JULY 2022

CALENDAR OF EVENTS & HOLIDAYS

GRAND ROUNDS

Thu, July 7
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Parantap Patel, MD, PGY-2
12th Floor & Zoom

Thu, July 14
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

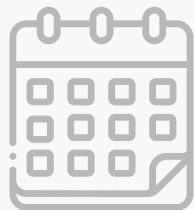
Graeme Woodworth, MD, FACS
12th Floor & Zoom

Thu, July 21
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Phelan Shea, MD, PGY-4
12th Floor & Zoom

Thu, July 28
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Riccardo Serra, MD, PGY-3
12th Floor & Zoom



No Upcoming Events

July

M	T	W	TH	F	S	SU
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Holidays

Independence Day
Monday, July 4, 2022

World Brian Day
Friday, July 22, 2022



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We are looking for stories, achievements, heroics, tidbits, and fun stuff to feature in *In the Loupes* and to share within University of Maryland and our surrounding communities. If you are interested in writing a column or want to share what type of news you want to hear more, feel free to email at rcmcgowan@som.umaryland.edu

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HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

