Neurology Wellness Newsletter
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Neurology Kudos!

Kudos to Christina Lineback for handling a stroke code that led to tPA and a thrombectomy on her birthday like a pro!

From a patient discharged from the inpatient service and seen in the outpatient setting regarding Rafal Sobota:

“That guy took really good care of me! Please tell him I said hi and am really appreciative of everything he did for me.”

From Ornella Dubaz: Kudos to Maggie and Justine and general team for helping me transfer a very sick patient from medicine to neurology service while I was rounding with the attending on a busy consult list!

Kudos to Behnam for his part in AAN’s newest NeuroBytes (part of the residents/fellows section)

From an ED attending regarding Isaac Bourgeois: “I was the ED attending this evening and wanted to share some positive feedback for Isaac Bourgeois. This was a busy, high acuity shift with multiple patients requiring neurology consultation. As usual, Isaac responded to each consult with great enthusiasm and efficiency, despite juggling multiple competing demands simultaneously … he seems to excel the most when dealing with the sickest patients. He is unfailingly professional, compassionate with patients & their families, and I end up learning something every time I interact with him.”

Thank you to our resident leaders, Alexa, Paulina, and Ornella for all their hard work! And kudos to all residents for being flexible and helping with coverage during AAN week!

Congratulations to Neurons Class of 2023!!

We are all so excited for the new class of neurons that just matched. They are all very accomplished and we had a lot of fun getting to know them during the interview dinners. Cheers to the incoming interns!

Toni Cao: Northwestern
Rebecca DiBiase: Johns Hopkins
Dan Tong Jia: Columbia
Juan Deliz Gonzalez: Washington University
Siyuan Liu: U of Illinois (MD/PhD)
Anthony Rosenberg: U of Iowa
Eric Moffet: U Wisconsin
Glen Harris: Vanderbilt

Kudos to all residents and faculty for their hard work during recruitment season!

Kudos to Nick and Ornella for their new interACTN case! Check it out: The Case of a 51-year-old man with headaches and episodes of loss of consciousness.
Alexa King in Zambia

Alexa is part of the Global Health Scholars program

I'm completing a global health elective at the University Teaching Hospital in Lusaka, Zambia. UTH is a referral hospital that is associated with the University of Zambia and has roughly 1,600 beds. UTH is the home of the very first neurology residency program in Zambia, which just launched in November. I had the pleasure of working alongside the 3 new neurology residents seeing inpatient consults, admitting new patients to the neurology ward, and seeing patients in neurology clinic a few mornings each week.

Resources are quite limited which makes you rely heavily on the neurological exam. This population has a large burden of stroke (including stroke in the young), epilepsy, and neurologic manifestations of infectious disease. My time in Zambia has been challenging, frustrating and incredibly rewarding.

We miss you Alexa! Northwestern Neurology is not the same without you.
Neurons are staying active!!

Kudos to Shailee Shah for organizing IM soccer

Even if we did lose to M1s in the first game of the season, it’s a great way to prevent burnout and keep fit during the winter!!

Thanks everyone for a great month!

Please email margaret.yu@northwestern.edu for any kudos/congratulations!!