"The Society for Pediatric Research annually honors fellows engaged in pediatric clinical research. Winning candidates are selected based on the quality of the work (clinical or translational research) presented in the abstract. Each of these awards carries a monetary prize of $1,000. All awardees are chosen from the general category of SPR Fellow’s Clinical Research Awards applicants. The SPR Fellow’s Clinical Research Awards are designed to encourage pediatricians in training to pursue careers in academic pediatrics. There are a maximum of 6 awards given from this category. From this group, 3 SPR Fellow’s Clinical Research Awards are given."

Petter Bjornstad’s abstract was entitled *Leptin Is Associated With Cardiopulmonary Fitness Independent of Body-Mass Index and Insulin Sensitivity in Adolescents With Type 1 Diabetes: The EMERALD Study*. He demonstrated that leptin was associated with VO2 peak, cardiac output and cardiac index independent of age, sex, BMI, and insulin sensitivity.

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Dear Colleagues –

We have great news to share about the upcoming PAS / SPR meeting this week in Baltimore. We have over 20 posters accepted and 30 sessions at which our faculty are teaching, presenting, or moderating sessions. For those of you attending, please use your meeting app to search for Colorado Faculty and trainees who are attending.

**Marsha Anderson** and **Karen Wilson** served on the program committee this year. **Jenny Reese** is our new APA Region X co-chair. **Congratulations to our Colorado awardees!** We have 2 Clinical Research Awards this year for Fellows, sponsored by the Junior SPR Members Section:

- **Petter Bjornstad** - Children’s Hospital Colorado and Barbara Davis Center for Childhood Diabetes. His faculty mentor is **Kristen Nadeau**.

- **Shanlee M. Davis** - Children's Hospital Colorado / University of Colorado. Her research mentor here is **Phil Zeitler** and Judith Ross at TJU.

**SPR House Officer Research Award:**
Laura E. Zastoupil, MD - Her mentors are Barry Seltz and Laura Brown.

And the prestigious APS / SPR Mary Ellen Avery Neonatal Research Awardee this year: Steven H. Abman.

Best Regards,

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