Congratulations to the MSTP Graduates....

- Heather Berens – PSTP, Internal Medicine, Colorado
- Pippa Cosper – Radiation Oncology Medicine and Barnes-Jewish St. Louis (Exempla St. Joseph prelim)
- Patrick Hume – Internal Medicine, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA
- Kristen Rumer – General Surgery, Stanford University
- Cristina Swanson – Pediatrics, Oregon Health and Science University
- Sruthi Thomas – Pediatrics and PM&R, Colorado

Please [RSVP](#) for the Graduation Dinner

Here is a link to the complete Match Day report

Our graduating students shared their wisdom in “letters to their junior self.” Please let [Jodi](#) know if you would like access to read these letters.
Congratulations to the MSTP Students Who Completed Their Thesis Defense

Francesca Alvarez-Calderon, Immunology PhD Program
Elucidation of the Genetic Etiology of Hemostasis and Thrombosis through Family-Based Studies

Layne Dylla, Cancer Biology PhD Program
OncomiR clusters in Ewing Sarcoma: miR-17~92a, miR-106b~25, and miR-106a~363 cluster expression and function analysis

Samantha Fried, Immunology PhD Program
Defining How Ubiquitination and Neddylation Regulate T Cell Receptor Complex-Mediated Signaling

Jesse Hinckley, Human Medical Genetics PhD Program
Elucidation of the Genetic Etiology of Hemostasis and Thrombosis through Family-Based Studies

Jill Neiman, Pharmacology PhD Program
Mechanisms of Metastasis in Squamous Cell carcinomas: The Contribution of microRNA-9 and TGFβRII Deletion Fibroblasts

Jonathon Parker, Cancer Biology PhD Program
Heterogeneity of Cellular Migration in Human Glioblastoma: The Targetable Role of EGFR
Congratulations to the MSTP Students who completed their Comprehensive Exams....

- **Noah Kastelowitz** — Biochemistry PhD Program in Boulder

Awards and Recognitions

- **Mario Lintz** and his PI, Gidon Felsen, received an R01 Supplement Award

- **Balaji Sridhar** attended the Society for Biomaterials 2013 Annual Meeting and Exposition in Boston, MA from April 10-13th and gave a talk entitled "Covalently Tethered Trans forming Growth Factor Beta-1 in PEG Hydrogels Expedites Cartilage ECM Production of Encapsulated Primary Chondrocytes."

- **Ajay Thomas** was awarded a NRSA and is the recipient of the Excellence Award for Outstanding Service to the University by an Individual Student for the 2012-13

Recent MSTP Publications


Recruitment:

Thank you so much for your help this year with recruitment. The University of Colorado MST Program has made 20 offers to potential students and 8 are holding their spot.

Keystone Conference:

Registration is open!! Please be sure and apply for the Keystone Conference Diversity Travel Awards.

Confirmed speakers include:

Dr. Harvey Alter, M.D.; National Institutes of Health.
Dr. George Q. Daley, M.D./Ph.D.; Harvard University.
Dr. William F. Degrado, Ph.D.; University of California San Francisco.
Dr. Sheila Nirenberg, Ph.D.; Weill Medical College of Cornell University.
Dr. Jared Rutter, Ph.D.; University of Utah.

MSTP Personal News:

Please note to have personal information included in future newsletters, you MUST e-mail Jodi.

- Melinda (Mindy) Cushing (2009) is graduating from her OHSU Dermatology Residency this June and will be staying on as an Assistant Professor of Dermatology. She will be splitting her time between specialty clinic in Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis in Portland, and a rural general dermatology practice in The Dalles, Oregon

- Mario Lintz and his wife, Monica, are expecting their second baby in October.

- Justine Migdall is engaged to Ori Maller

Miscellaneous:

- Please turn in your summer research rotation forms in to Jodi.
- If you are returning to MSIII this summer, please send Jodi your anticipated return date/SOM block.