Robert G Trinity (1963 Saint Louis University School of Medicine) Jan K Turcotte (1974 Medical College of Wisconsin)

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James G Urban (1960 University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health)

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Pamela D Varner (1976 University of Alabama School of Medicine) R Edward Varner (2007 University of Alabama School of Medicine) Marianna Vas (1961 University of Vermont College of Medicine) Curtis F Veal Jr (1980 Medical College of Georgia at Georgia Regents University)

James V Vest (1975 University of Missouri—Columbia School of Medicine)

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Merle L Wade Jr (2001 University of Alabama School of Medicine) Kent Dewayne Walker (1989 Tulane University School of Medicine) William S Warden (1962 Duke University School of Medicine) Alan A Wartenberg (1972 Medical College of Wisconsin) Thomas Jack Watson (1988 Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California)

Matthew E Wells (1998 Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School) Christopher White (2003 Southern Illinois University School of Medicine)

John P Whitecar Jr (1963 Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University)

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Mary C Yankaskas (1986 Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School)

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Jason D Zagrodzky (1991 University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas Southwestern Medical School)

# **2015 Postgraduate Awards**

In 2011, the board of directors of Alpha Omega Alpha established the Postgraduate Award. Its purpose is to encourage and support  $A\Omega A$  residents or fellows from programs or institutions with an active  $A\Omega A$  chapter or association to pursue a project in the spirit of the  $A\Omega A$  mission statement that could fulfill the ACGME requirements for scholarly activity. Project applications are accepted in the categories of:

- 1. Research: Support for clinical investigation, basic laboratory research, epidemiology, or social science/health services research.
- 2. Service: Local or international service work, focusing on underprivileged or immigrant populations or those in the developing world, as well as patient and population education projects.
- 3. Teaching and education: Research, development, or implementation of education academic curricula, with the focus on postgraduate education.
  - 4. Leadership: Leadership development.
- 5. Humanism and professionalism: Projects designed to encourage understanding, development, and retention of traits of humanism and professionalism among physicians, directed to physicians in postgraduate training.

Four applicants received \$2000 awards to support their work. The recipients of the 2015 awards are:

## Susan Marshall, MD

New York University School of Medicine

Project category: Research

Phase II Study of MR-US Fusion Biopsy-Guided Focal Cryoablation of the Prostate in Men with Clinically Localized Low-Immediate Risk Prostate Cancer

Samir Taneja, MD, mentor

## Laura Mazer, MD

Stanford University School of Medicine

Project category: Teaching and education

A competency-based curriculum for the surgical sub-internship James Lau, MD, mentor

## Johnny Nguyen, MD

USF Health Morsani College of Medicine

Project category: Research

Understanding the Relationship between Genetic Basis and Immunomodulation in Myelodysplastic Syndromes and Related Myeoloid Neoplasms: Focusing on p53, EZH2 and Some Dendritic Cell Markers

Ling Zhang, MD, mentor

## Vivian Shi, MD

University of California, Davis, School of Medicine

Project category: Teaching and education

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Raja K. Sivamani, MD, mentor

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