



MURIEL STEELE SOCIETY

JUNE 2022 EVENTS AND UPDATES

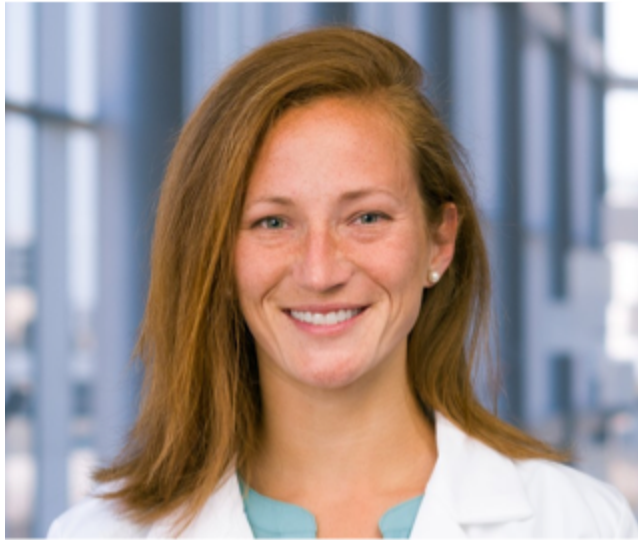
Dear Muriel Steele Society Members,

As Spring transitions into Summer, we hope everyone is staying healthy and finding some time to enjoy the sunshine.

In May, we celebrated the annual Muriel Steele Society Honor Roll. This award celebrates influential and inspiring women faculty, fellows, and residents in surgery and surgical subspecialties. ***Congratulations, everyone!***

Faculty	Fellow and Residents
Nancy Ascher, MD, PhD	Hillary Braun, MD
Marissa Boeck, MD, MPH	Audrey Brown, MD
Tasce Bongiovanni, MD, MPP	Alexis Colley, MD, MS
Hueylan Chern, MD	Hannah Decker, MD
Melissa Coleman, MD	Rym El Houry, MD
Sandy Feng, MD, PhD	Colleen Flanagan, MD
Jessica Gosnell, MD	Alexa Glencer, MD
Jade Hiramoto, MD	Amandine Godier-Furnemont, MD, PhD
Esther Kim, MD	Yvonne Kelly, MD
Kimberly Kirkwood, MD	Elizabeth Lancaster, MD
Lucy Kornblith, MD	Iris Liu, MD
Carter Lebares, MD	Caroline Melhado, MD
Merisa Piper, MD	Sarah Mohamedaly, MD, MPH
Linda Reilly, MD	Audrey Nguyen, MD
Elaine Tseng, MD	Jenni Perri, MD, MBA
Mika Varma, MD	Fernanda Romero-Hernandez, MD
Lan Vu, MD	Katherine Sanders, MD
	Jessica Santos-Parker, MD, PhD
	Marisa Schwab, MD
	Nichole Starr, MD, MPH
	Jane Wang, MD
	Mignote Yilma, MD
	Keon Young Park, MD, PhD

We also welcomed two new faculty members into the Muriel Steele Society. Welcome Dr. Cairo and Dr. Gomez-Sanchez.



Sarah Cairo, MD, MPH, will be joining our faculty as a Pediatric Surgeon and Assistant Professor of Pediatric Surgery in the Department of Surgery and she will have clinical responsibilities at both Benioff Children's Hospital San Francisco and Oakland.

Clara Gomez-Sanchez, MD will be staying in San Francisco and joining our faculty in the Department of Surgery as a Vascular Surgeon and Assistant Professor of Clinical Surgery at our Parnassus location. Dr. Gomez-Sanchez looks forward to pursuing the study of the impact of vascular surgery on functional outcomes and quality of life and educating and supporting future generations of general and vascular surgeons



On May 18th, the Muriel Steele Society hosted its 4th annual Grand Rounds featuring speaker Dr. Erika Rangel. Dr. Rangel's talk, "**The Faustian Bargain of Surgery? Infertility and the Challenges of Parenthood among US Surgeons**" discussed the challenges facing surgeons starting a family, demonstrated how these impact burnout and career dissatisfaction, and used evidence to inform policy change to better support alignment of personal and professional priorities.



This month, we feature a Spotlight on Dr. Sandhya Kumar! See below for an excerpt from Dr. Kumar's interview with medical student Mandeep Kaur. To read the full interview and our prior **MSS Spotlights**, check out the Spotlights page [here](#) on the MSS website.

MK: What is one thing you know now that you wish you had known during your training?

SK: I think the biggest revelation for me is that there are so many different ways to become a successful academic surgeon. I think it's really awesome that the scope of surgery today is so broad, and that the work we do affects patients in so many different areas beyond the actual surgical work.

MK: What would you say is the best piece of advice you have received?

SK: I think it's that you can have it all, but not all of it, all of the time. I think it specifically applies to women in surgery. To me, it means that life is always going to be full of tradeoffs because there's only 24 hours in the day and seven days in the week-- that's just like a fixed entity. You can have a fulfilling family life and a surgical career, but at any given time, you may have to make sacrifices in one area or the other. For me, it means that it's okay to sometimes choose my family over work, but it also means that sometimes it's okay to choose work over family.



Above: Dr. Kumar excels both in the operating room and on cake decoration!

Up Next! Please save the date for some very exciting events:

June 20th - Welcome new interns!

August 13th - MSS Welcome Event

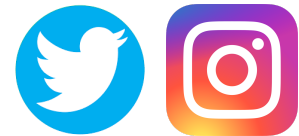
Join members of MSS in Golden Gate Park for some stretching, yoga, and hanging out!

September 13th - MSS Research Symposium

More details as we approach the event

See below for this month's "**From MSS Members**" section. If you have anything you would like to feature (articles, advice, work photos/achievements, family/personal photos/achievements, etc) in this new section of our newsletters, please send an email to themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu.

Also, Check out our MSS Twitter (@UCSFMSS) and Instagram (@murielsteelesociety_ucsf).



Thanks for reading!

Your **MSS Communications Committee**

From MSS Members

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Ian S Soriano MD @ISorianoMD · May 11

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@BarbHamiltonMD setting our residents up for success, career longevity and decrease #WRMSD with a session on ergonomics in lap surgery
@SurgErgoGroup @SurgErgonomics @jennyshaomd @HPB_Surgeon @UCSFSurgery @UCSFGSResidency



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UCSF Surgery @UCSFSurgery · May 9

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!! Last week, Dr. Tasce Bongiovanni @TasceB was presented with the 2021-22 Long-Term Mentor Award at the 2022 Inquiry Symposium & Dean's Prize Awards. Nominated by her mentee, Maria Castro @MariaRoseCastro this speaks to her leadership, innovation, research & commitment to @UCSF 🎉





UCSF Surgery @UCSFSurgery · May 6



@UCSFMedicine Student Anya Greenberg @AnyaGreenberg10 delivered a lived experience presentation when she showcased her work titled "Communicating from a Distance: Medical Student Perspectives from a Robotic Bedside Assist Simulation." !! #SEW2022

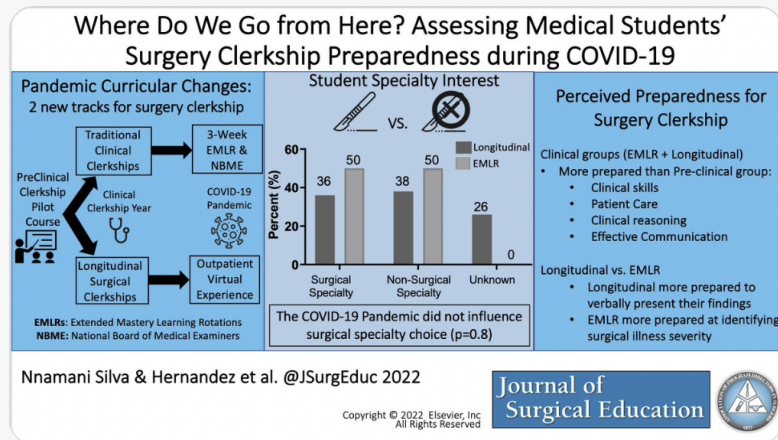


Journal of Surgical Education @JSurgEduc · May 10



Where Do We Go From Here? Assessing Medical Students' Surgery Clerkship Preparedness During COVID-19 by Nnamani et al.: [sciencedirect.com/science/articl...](https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/...)

#MedStudentTwitter #SurgEd #clerkship #MedEd #surgtwitter #COVID19 @OgonnaNnamani



The Muriel Steele Society is an inclusive community dedicated to inspiring, supporting, and promoting women surgeons so they can thrive at all stages of their careers. We will be hosting events throughout the year to foster a strong community of allies and to achieve the goal of continued excellence at UCSF.

The Muriel Steele Society is dedicated to diversity, equity, and inclusion of colleagues, trainees, and learners at UCSF and beyond, who identify as women, transgender, and nonbinary in surgical fields. Our overarching goal is to advocate for a culture of belonging - free of bias and discrimination - that is focused on expanding the advancement of all genders and the broader LGBTQ+ community in surgery.

All women surgeons or medical students interested in surgery are included in the society but we recognize that some women may have been inadvertently left out of these emails. Please forward to anyone who you think might like to be included in the MSS. If you are interested in membership, please email us at themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu.

For more information about the Muriel Steele Society, please visit our [website](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#). See what's coming up next on the [Muriel Steele Society's calendar of events](#).

Have an opportunity or event that you'd like to share with the MSS membership? Email us at themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu.

Want to become more involved with the Muriel Steele Society? We especially welcome women in other surgical departments to join our Executive Council! Email co-chairs Mika Varma (mika.varma@ucsf.edu) or Lucy Kornblith (lucy.kornblith@ucsf.edu) for more information.