



# MURIEL STEELE SOCIETY

## SEPTEMBER 2022 EVENTS AND UPDATES

Dear Muriel Steele Society Members,

We are in the full swing of the new academic year and we hope you've been enjoying some of the beautiful late-Summer San Francisco sun!

Muriel Steele Society's own co-chair, **Dr. Lucy Kornblith**, was nominated and selected as one of the Association of Women Surgeons **Top 40 Under 40!** This award recognizes outstanding women surgeons who are trailblazers in their field or who are making a significant impact with their actions. Congratulations, Dr. Kornblith! #AWS2022



**Dr. Ashley Campbell**, PGY-1 General Surgery, was also recognized by the Association of Women Surgeons with the **Dr. Patricia Numann Medical Student Award**. The mission of this award is to encourage and support an outstanding female medical student who is pursuing a career in surgery and recipients have demonstrated leadership potential or made significant contributions to surgery. Congratulations, Dr. Campbell!

Each September, the [AMA Women Physicians Section](#) honors physicians who have offered their time, wisdom, and support to advance women with careers in medicine. This September, the Muriel Steel Society wishes to acknowledge **our past, present, and future female colleagues for their dedication as physicians and surgeons.** Each day we take inspiration from amazing female role models in both our personal and professional lives and strive for excellence and harmony in our work both inside and outside of the hospital. Join the MSS and the UCSF Department of Surgery in celebrating the many inspiring women in surgery!

To celebrate **#WIMMonth**, several of you shared inspiring quotes and photos. Thank you! Check out MSS's Instagram and Twitter throughout the month of September for more!



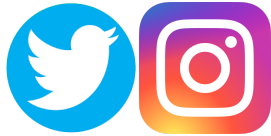
***Welcome class of 2026!*** At the recent Medical Student Activities Fair, over 30 medical students signed up to be involved with the Muriel Steele Society. Kudos to the **MSS Medical Student Committee** for their hard work on this.

We would also like to highlight another effort by the **MSS Medical Student Committee**: the MSS Shadowing Initiative. MSS recently learned from surveying medical students interested in surgery that there is an overwhelming interest in shadowing female faculty members. In response to this, we plan to launch an **MSS Shadowing Initiative** this Fall where we will pair medical students (MS1-2) with faculty from the MSS.

Time commitment: quarterly basis. New student(s) will be paired with a faculty member each quarter. The anticipated number of times per quarter students would be shadowing will be at each faculty member's discretion. There is *no* paperwork involved. Please complete this [Google Form](#) if you are interested in having a medical student paired with you for shadowing.

**MSS Wellness Committee update:** The Muriel Steele Society Wellness Committee hosted the first event of the year on August 31st at Ocean Beach with a Bonfire & S'mores. Check out these great photos from 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 [themurielsteesociety@ucsf.edu](mailto:themurielsteesociety@ucsf.edu).

Also, Check out our MSS Twitter (@UCSFMSS) and Instagram (@murielsteesociety\_ucsf).

Thanks for reading!

Your **MSS Communications Committee**

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#### From MSS Members



**Looking for a great read?** Dr. Wustrack recommends "The Girl in His Shadow," an historical fiction novel about a female surgeon who wasn't accepted in the Royal College of Surgeons. Dr. Wustrack says, "Very good! The authors did their homework on anatomy, etc. I was very engrossed!"

Looking for more? Check out Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's [Summer Reading List](#).



**Need a new podcast?** Check out "Gut Check" from the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS), a new podcast featuring several colorectal surgeons that discusses the "life and practice of colorectal surgeons from 'top to bottom'." Episode 2 is all about Healthy Eating Do's and Don'ts for the Colorectal Patient.

## From social media

**Lindsay Hampson** @lindsayahampson · 23h  
Important study showing that young adults with physical disabilities are at higher risk of having unmet health needs and using last-resort health care - implications for our #spinabifida population in particular. Need to focus on access to primary and preventive health care! 🙌🏻👏

**Jason Nagata, MD** @jasonmnagata · Aug 29  
New @Add\_Health study in @BioMedCentral #Pediatrics led by @UCSFSurgery residents Kirk Fergus & Alan Zambeli-Ljepović with @lindsayahampson and Hillary Copp @UCSFUrology @UCSFPediatrics @UCSFChildrens #disability #OpenAccess 🔗 rdcu.be/cUnbn

**Marissa Boeck MD MPH Retweeted**  
**SFGHFoundation** @SFGHFoundation · Aug 28  
On August 28, 1872, @ZSFGCare opened their doors, making an investment in #publichealth that would withstand plagues and earthquakes, population booms, and great inventions.

**Sophia Hernandez** @SEHernandez · Aug 28  
Congratulations @MariaRoseCastro and this wonderful team for this important work!

**Tasce Bongiovanni, MD, MPP, MHS** @TasceB · Aug 28  
@MariaRoseCastro finds that following traumatic injury, non-English language preferred patients experience increased hospital LOS & in some cases even mortality - work to be done to provide trauma care to vulnerable populations  
authors.elsevier.com/c/1fehW578XaM22  
@hopeschwartz @Jasosamd

**Journal of Surgical Research**  
Volume 280, December 2022, Pages 326-332

**The Association of Limited English Proficiency With Morbidity and Mortality After Trauma**  
Maria R.H. Castro BS<sup>a,\*,</sup> Hope Schwartz BA<sup>a</sup>, Sophia Hernandez MD<sup>b</sup>, Lucia Calthorpe MPhil<sup>a</sup>, Alicia Fernández MD<sup>c</sup>, Deborah Stein MD, MPH, FACS, FCCM<sup>d</sup>, Robert C. Mackersie MD<sup>b, e</sup>, Rebecca Menza MS, ACNP<sup>e, f</sup>, Tasce Bongiovanni MD, MPP, MHS<sup>b, f</sup>

**RESEARCH** Open Access  
Fergus et al. BMC Pediatrics (2022) 22:205  
https://doi.org/10.1186/s12887-022-03543-0  
BMC Pediatrics

**Health care utilization in young adults with childhood physical disabilities: a nationally representative prospective cohort study**  
Kirkpatrick B. Fergus<sup>1</sup>, Alan Zambeli-Ljepovic<sup>1</sup>, Lindsay A. Hampson<sup>2</sup>, Hillary L. Copp<sup>3</sup> and Jason M. Nagata<sup>4\*</sup>

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:mika.varma@ucsf.edu)) or Lucy Kornblith ([lucy.kornblith@ucsf.edu](mailto:lucy.kornblith@ucsf.edu)) for more information.