



# MURIEL STEELE SOCIETY

## OCTOBER 2022 EVENTS AND UPDATES

Dear Muriel Steele Society Members,

Fall is here along with the cool weather and rain! It's the perfect time of year to enjoy a hot cup of coffee and an outdoor walk.

In September we celebrated Women In Medicine Month, which honors physicians who have offered their time, wisdom, and support to advance women with careers in medicine. We acknowledged **our past, present, and future female colleagues for their dedication as physicians and surgeons**. We continue to 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.

To celebrate **#WIMMonth**, several of you shared inspiring quotes and photos. Thank you!



On September 21st, we celebrated our wonderful PGY-2s at the annual Naffziger Day and Loupes Ceremony! Each PGY-2 was given their surgical loupes, each in honor of one of UCSF's accomplished alumni.



**MSS Medical Student Committee** will be pairing students and faculty this month for the **MSS Shadowing Initiative**. Students - look for an email in your inbox with your faculty assignment. Big shout out to medical student, **Jenny Cevallos**, for coordinating this effort!

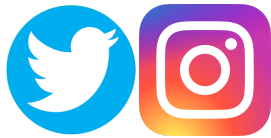


The **MSS Medical Student Committee** also hosted a fantastic event on October 1st at Spark Social with MS1-4 students in attendance.

## Save The Date

October 28th at 7pm - Wine Tasting event with Dr. Melissa Coleman  
Nov 7th 7-8:30 pm - MSS Job Negotiation Panel

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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](mailto:themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu).

Check out our MSS Twitter (@UCSFMSS) and Instagram (@murielsteelesociety\_ucsf).

Thanks for reading!  
Your **MSS Communications Committee**

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## From MSS Members

# Mother Jones

POLITICS AUGUST 4, 2022

## Why Do Orthopedic Surgeons Have Such High Breast Cancer Rates?

*Many don't learn about the risks until it's too late.*

Dr. Sriranjani Padmanabhan, associate professor of ophthalmology, shared [this interesting article](#). She says, "I found it shocking! Had no idea breast cancer rates among women orthopedic surgeons were so high. It's a lay article, but cites several medical articles as well as quotes from a few UCSF faculty."

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**UCSF Surgery** @UCSFSurgery · 3h

!! Today we celebrate The University of Ottawa selecting Dr. Valerie Weaver as **1** of the winners of this year's Alumni of Distinction for Lifetime Achievement Awards! This award recognizes @uOttawa Alumni for their outstanding achievements & contributions in medicine 🥰👏



**UCSF Surgery** @UCSFSurgery · Sep 12

Exciting News !! Anya Greenberg & Drs. Shareef Syed, Mohammad Karimzada, Riley Brian, Ava Yap, Hubert Luu + @UCSFSkillsLab manuscript "Assessment of Surgeon Performance of Advanced Open Surgical Skills Using a Micro-Skills-based Novel Curriculum" was accepted by @JAMANetworkOpen 🥰



**Assessment of Surgeon Performance of Advanced Open Surgical Skills Using a Micro-Skills-based Novel Curriculum**

This is an exciting moment for Medical Student Anya Greenberg, Dr. Shareef Syed, Dr. Mohammad Karimzada, Dr. Riley Brian, Dr. Ava Yap, and Dr. Hubert Luu + our UCSF Skills Lab. Their manuscript "Assessment of Surgeon Performance of Advanced Open Surgical Skills Using a Micro-Skills-based Novel Curriculum" was accepted by JAMA Network Open.

This would not have been possible without the help of several other UCSF members, including Dr. Chung-Ho Wang, Dr. Rydzane Mirzav, Dr. Adnan Akhondi, Dr. Joseph Kays, Dr. Patricia O'Sullivan, and Dr. Huayan Chen.

We also have to thank Dr. Saira Ahmed (University of Illinois at Chicago) and Dr. Sarah Wicks (University of Michigan) two individuals outside our UCSF Network.

UCSF Department of Surgery

**WomenSurgeons** @WomenSurgeons · Sep 6

AWS would like to congratulate these outstanding 40 under 40 surgeons. Over the next 40 days leading to the AWS conference in October, we will highlight each of these future leaders in surgery. Join us in congratulating and amplifying these amazing women. #AWS2022 #AWSturns40



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**Julie A Sosa, MD** @Jasosamd · Sep 19

What does success look like during #WomenInMedicine Month at @UCSFSurgery? Identifying a lactation room with proximity to the operating room at @UCSFHospitals. Thanks for searching @Alexis\_ColleyMD @UCSFMS @michelle\_mourad! #MedTwitter

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 [themurielsteesociety@ucsf.edu](mailto:themurielsteesociety@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 [themurielsteesociety@ucsf.edu](mailto:themurielsteesociety@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.