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When you choose to support FWGBD, you truly make a difference in the lives of women and girls with blood disorders.

This year, we are offering several ways for you to support our ongoing educational efforts:

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**2017 Matching Grant**
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Thank you for your ongoing support.

There's Still Time!

**Fellows, Residents and Junior Faculty May Still Register for:**

**Blood Disorders in Women and Girls: Pathway to a Powerful Career**

**What:** Dinner, libation and discussion with several experts

**When:** Sunday, December 10, 2017, at 8 PM sharp
After hearing a brief description of each expert's own career pathway to women/girls' blood disorders, your fellow, resident or new faculty member will have the opportunity to talk informally at the dinner table with a leading expert.

Please help us spread the word and invitation out to fellows, residents and junior faculty. Because we will provide dinner and libation, and seating is limited, we do need an RSVP directly from your invitee, or from you—with all contact information-ASAP.

Responses should be sent to Elizabeth Kearns at: ekearns@fwgbd.org

**FWGBD Awards Three Research Awards in 2017**

FWGBD is pleased to announce the 2017 research award recipients. This year, FWGBD was able to offer two research awards in the area of bleeding disorders. These two awards were supported through a grant from Shire.

The 2017 Awards: *Promoting XXcellence in Women’s Health: Optimal Management of Women and Girls with Bleeding Disorders* went to:

**Margo Rollins, MD**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology  
Egleston Hospital (Children's Healthcare of Atlanta), Atlanta, GA

**Project:** Determine the Feasibility and Utility of a Novel Point of Care Device in the Monitoring of Reduction of Hemoglobin During a Menstrual Cycle in Symptomatic Hemophilia A or B Carriers  
**Mentor:** Robert Sidonio, MD

**Deva Sharma, MD**  
Hematology-Oncology Fellow, Department of Hematology-Oncology  
Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN

**Project:** Epidemiologic Study of Acute Vasco-Occlusive Pain Associated with Menstruation  
**Mentor:** Michael R. DeBaun, MD

Additionally, FWGBD was also able to offer a special award in the area of blood disorders. The 2017 FWGBD Special Award: *Promoting XXcellence in Women’s Health: Optimal Management of Women and Girls with Blood Disorders* went to:

**Ruchika Sharma, MD**  
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics  
Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

**Project:** Coagulation Disorders in Menstruating Adolescent Females  
**Mentor:** Veronica Flood, MD

**Save the Date for Our Next Webinar:**

**December 19, 2017**

*Morbidity Challenges and Treatment Advances for Hemophilia Carriers: Focus on FIX/FVIII and Management of Both Types*
Led by Drs. Roshni Kulkarni and Robert Sidonio, this webinar will have a special focus on the unique aspects of FIX/FVIII and their management and state-of-the-art treatments for female patients. It will include discussing the role of FIX/FVIII replacement in women with bleeding disorders and describing issues for both types of hemophilia carriers—hemophilia B and A. This Webinar is supported in part by an educational grant from Aptevo.

Our webinars are free and open to all medical professionals. Advance registration will be required. Please e-mail mcrocegalis@fwgbd.org to be placed on the registration list for this webinar.

New Resources

Watch

Webinar: Achieving Hemostasis in Women with Bleeding Disorders: Challenges and Therapies in VWD

This is a recorded version of the live webinar which took place on November 13, 2017. This program was presented by Dr. Andra James and Dr. Margaret Ragni. This state-of-the-science-and-practice Education Webinar describes the issues and challenges of achieving hemostasis in women with bleeding disorders, with a focus on managing the more severe types of VWD. Recommended management approaches and cross-discipline collaboration is detailed and the available treatments are described as well as the available evidence concerning their use. The production and archiving of this program were made possible in part by an educational grant from Shire.

View this Webinar HERE.

Read


Following a comprehensive review of the state-of-the-art with respect to recommendations and guidelines, our experts panel in maternal-fetal medicine, hematology and basic science reached consensus on key issues in the recognition and management of AT deficiency in pregnancy. This paper summarizes the state-of-the-art and what the panel believed are best practices with special emphasis on multidisciplinary approach involving obstetrics and hematology in the care of women with AT deficiency.

Read this article HERE.


This recent article compares/characterizes bleeding phenotype and provider interventions in postmenarchal adolescents. It was recently published in Haemophilia and can be accessed by clicking HERE.

Additional resources can be found in our Library by clicking HERE.

WGBD LAN News

WGBD LAN at ASH 2017

Members of our WGBD LAN will be at ASH this year presenting on the collaborative work they are doing to improve the lives women and girls with blood disorders. Below is a listing of some of their events:

Monday, December 11, 2017
Poster publication number: 674
TITLE: Von Willebrand Disease Screening in Women Undergoing Hysterectomy for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding  
Type: Oral  
Presentation Time: 10:45 AM  
Author: Sarah O'Brien, MD, MSc, et al

Poster publication number: 3676  
TITLE: Random X-Chromosome Inactivation in Hemophilia A Carriers Does Not Fully Attenuate Bleeding Risk  
Type: Oral and Poster, Poster III  
Presentation Time: 6:00 - 8:00 PM  
Author: Peter Cygan, MD

**WGBD LAN Members-only Meeting**  
Date: Sunday, December 10, 2017  
Time: 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM  
Location: Georgia World Congress Center, Hall B1, Collaboration Room 30

*PLEASE NOTE: This meeting is only open to WGBD LAN members.

**WGBD Listserv Now Available**  
We are pleased to announce the launch of our WGBD LAN listserv, created to serve as a communication resource for WGBD LAN members. We encourage members to post questions, research announcements, upcoming educational activities and participate in research discussions. FWGBD will serve as the moderator and members are accepted by request. To request access to the Listserv, click [HERE](#).

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**Registration is Open**  
4th Biennial Summit of the Thrombosis & Hemostasis Societies of North America  
March 8-10, 2018  
Marriott Marquis  
San Diego, CA

For more information and to register visit [here](#).

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