



***SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONY 2015***

***FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015  
AT 2:00PM***

***G01  
BROOKFIELD HEALTH SCIENCES  
COMPLEX UCC***

***LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED  
IN THE CAFÉ AFTER THE CEREMONY***



**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK  
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

**VISION**

*To provide Doctors of the future with a world class, student-centered education, based on current knowledge, informed by research and with an awareness of societal needs.*

*On behalf of the School of Medicine, University College Cork, I would like to welcome you to our annual Prize-Giving Ceremony. I would like to thank you all: recipients, family members, invited guests, friends and School of Medicine colleagues for attending this ceremony.*

*In addition to the many prizes being presented today, a number of other prizes will be presented at the University prize-giving ceremony early in the New Year.*

*Today we will also be acknowledging our students who excelled in this year's NUI Dr Henry Hutchinson Scholarships and Awards – this year the School of Medicine at UCC had another outstanding performance in this national competition, winning 20 awards – including 5 first prizes (scholarships), 6 second places, 7 third places and 2 commendations.*

*The School is proud of the achievements of our students and graduates and we wish them continued success in their promising careers ahead.*

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mary Horgan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Professor Mary Horgan**  
**Dean, School of Medicine**

### ***THE GAFFNEY PRIZE 2014/2015***

This undergraduate prize in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine was established in honour of Dr Desmond Gaffney, former Chairman, Department of Anaesthesia, Cork University Hospital. The prize is awarded annually for the best essay by a Third Year Medical Student or Second Year Graduate Entry Medical student at UCC on a topic relevant to the practice of Anaesthesia and/or Intensive Care Medicine.

Awarded to: Gordian E. Barry  
Presented by: Dr. Daniel Mullane

### ***DR KAY (KATE) FLYNN MEMORIAL MEDAL IN PHYSIOLOGY 2014/2015***

The friends and family of the late Dr Kay Flynn have contributed towards the award of a medal in Physiology. This Medal is awarded to the student who passes the First Medicine Examination as a whole at the first attempt in the Summer, and who obtains the highest mark and First Class Honours in FM1001, FM1002 and FM1003.

Awarded jointly to: Wei Qi (Vanessa) Chan  
John David Kehoe  
Presented by: Professor Ken O'Halloran

### ***P. F. FITZPATRICK PRIZE IN EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICINE 2014/2015***

For the purpose of perpetuating the memory of the late Patrick F. Fitzpatrick, MB, DPH, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Cork Health Authority, who made an outstanding contribution to the control of tuberculosis in Cork City, the Cork Anti-Tuberculosis Association and T.P. Mullen and Co. Ltd. have subscribed a fund for the provision of an annual prize to be known as "The P. F. Fitzpatrick Prize in Epidemiology and Public Health

Medicine". It is intended that the prize will be awarded to the student who obtains first place in the subject Epidemiology and Public Health Medicine at the Third University Summer Examination in Medicine.

Awarded to: Claire A McCarthy  
Presented by: Professor Ivan Perry

***THE SIR CHARLES CAMERON  
PRIZE 2014/2015***

The Cameron Prize is awarded to the 4<sup>th</sup> year BSc Public Health & Health Promotion student who graduates first in class. Sir Charles Alexander Cameron (1830–1921), Public Health Officer, was born on 16 July 1830 in Dublin. He held the office of Medical Officer of Health in Dublin for a period of more than 50 years and played a key role in improving the living conditions of the Dublin poor in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. During his tenure death rates in Dublin fell by a quarter - from one of the highest in Europe to one of the lowest. In September 1910 his work was publicly acknowledged by Dublin Corporation when he was made an honorary freeman of the city, the capital's highest civic honour. The Cameron Prize acknowledges high academic achievement in the discipline of Public Health and the ongoing challenges our graduates will face in working to prevent disease and promote the health and wellbeing of the population.

Awarded to: Gillian M. Maher  
Presented by: Professor Ivan Perry

**THE CHARLES DONOVAN PRIZE  
IN DERMATOLOGY 2014/2015**

Charles Donovan was born in Calcutta in 1863. In 1879 he was sent to live with his grandfather in Ireland and later became a student at Queen's College, Cork. In 1891, he received a commission in the Indian Medical Service developing a particular interest in tropical diseases. In 1903 he described the causative agent of kala-azar, later known as the "Leishman-Donovan" body and, in 1905 he reported his findings on *granuloma inguinale* ("Donovanosis"). Charles Donovan was a student of this University who went on to receive international recognition in describing two diseases exhibiting cutaneous manifestations, and the School of Medicine considers him a most suitable person to be associated with this prize. The prize is awarded for excelling in the specialty of Dermatology during the Fourth Medical Year. The Charles Donovan Prize is donated by the Department of Medicine (Dermatology), South Infirmary/Victoria University Hospital, for which the School is very grateful.

Awarded to:                      Robert P. Craig  
Presented by:                  Dr. Brad Noel

**ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS AWARD FOR BEST  
UNDERGRADUATE FINAL YEAR RESEARCH PROJECT  
2014/2015**

The Medical School is keen for our medical graduates to continue to engage in research activity and generate high quality scientific publications. The Association of Physicians Undergraduate Research Prize is presented to the student(s) who excel whilst completing the Final Year Project in Medicine. This prize is sponsored by the Association of Physicians for which the School is very grateful.

Awarded to:                      Dr Robert McEvoy  
Presented by:                  Dr Colm O Tuathaigh

**ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS AWARD FOR  
UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PRODUCTIVITY 2014/2015**

This prize is presented to the student who has demonstrated a high level of engagement in research-related activities during the period of their undergraduate degree at UCC. The purpose of this prize is to recognise those students who have contributed significantly to research projects at UCC and/or generated research outputs (publications, conference abstracts/presentations, invited talks etc.) during their time at UCC. The winner is selected by a panel of reviewers from the School of Medicine. This prize is sponsored by the Association of Physicians for which the School is very grateful.

Awarded to: Dr Michelle McCarthy  
Presented by: Dr Colm O Tuathaigh

**2015 DR NIAMH LONG MPS MEMORIAL MEDAL**

The Dr Niamh Long Medal, sponsored by the Medical Protection Society, commemorates the late Dr Niamh Long, a lecturer in the Department of Paediatrics at University College Cork and a Medico legal Consultant with the MPS. Dr Long, a 1994 UCC medical graduate worked as a Medical Consultant with the Medical Protection Society. Dr Long was widely acknowledged for her balanced view of risk assessment and analysis of the systematic issues which can lead to adverse events. As a reflection of her contribution to student teaching and learning and in recognition of her promotion of high quality medical care in her clinical and medico legal activities, the Dr Niamh Long Medal is awarded to the student obtaining the highest aggregate mark in the CP3003 module, Ethical, Legal and Governance Issues in Healthcare or equivalent.

Awarded to: Deirdre Mary Green  
Presented by: Mr Eoin Clifford

### ***2015 DR DEREK MCCOY MEDAL***

The Dr Derek McCoy Medal is presented in honour of the late Dr Derek McCoy, an outstanding physician, teacher and mentor who pioneered and developed services at Bantry General Hospital for three decades. The medal and €500 bursary are presented to the most outstanding intern to work at Bantry General Hospital during the academic year. The School is most grateful to Rowa Pharmaceuticals for their ongoing sponsorship of this award.

Awarded to: Dr Claire Thompson  
Presented by: Mrs Breda McCoy

### ***THE AODÁN Ó DONNCHADHA MEMORIAL PRIZE 2014/2015***

The Final Medical class of 1990 subscribed to a fund for the provision of an annual prize to commemorate their late classmate Aodán Ó Donnchadha. The prize consists of a cash award. The External Examiner for the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health assesses the best Paediatric projects under CP5300, and selects who should be awarded the prize, if necessary aided by advice from members of the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health.

Awarded to: Dr Emma M. Higginson  
Presented by: Carmel Bean Uí Dhonnchadha \  
Professor J Hourihane

### ***BRITISH PHARMACOLOGICAL SOCIETY PRIZE FOR CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY 2014/2015***

The British Pharmacological Society (BPS) Prize is intended to foster interest in Clinical Pharmacology. The Society has subscribed to a fund for the provision of an annual prize, which



also includes a certificate from the Society and a bursary towards attendance at a BPS meeting. The BPS Prize is awarded to the student who gains first place overall in Medical Pharmacology at the Third Medical University Examination. This prize is sponsored by the British Pharmacological Society for which the School is very grateful.

Awarded to: Edmond Patrick Morrissey – *in absentia*

**THE ARCHER GOLD MEDAL IN PSYCHIATRY  
2014/2015**

The Archer Gold Medal in Psychiatry is awarded to the candidate who gains the highest marks in the Fourth Medical Examination in Psychiatry. The Archer Gold Medal in Psychiatry is sponsored by Fred Archer & Co, for which the School is very grateful.

Awarded to: Aoife A. Freyne  
Presented by: Dr Eugene Cassidy

**THE GOLD MEDAL IN RADIOLOGY 2014/2015**

The Department of Radiology, CUH has commissioned a Gold Medal in Radiology to be awarded annually to the student whose performance is deemed by the Examiners to be the best at the Final Medicine Gold Medal in Radiology Oral Examination.

Awarded to: Dr Catherine O'Mahony  
Presented by: Dr O. J. O'Connor

**DR. B. FOLEY MEDAL IN MICROBIOLOGY**  
**2014/2015**

This medal was established on the retirement of Dr. Bridget Foley, Consultant in Microbiology at the Cork University Hospital and Lecturer in Medical Microbiology at University College Cork. The medal is awarded annually to the student judged best in Medical Microbiology in the Graduate Entry Medicine Year 2 / Direct Entry Medicine Year 3 class.

Awarded to:                      Sean Olann Whelan  
Presented by :                Professor Mike Prentice

**PAMEX PRIZE IN OPHTHALMOLOGY**  
**2014/2015**

This prize, a pocket ophthalmoscope, is awarded to the Graduate Entry Medicine Year 3 / Direct Entry Medicine Year 4 student who performs best in the ophthalmology component of the Fundamentals of Adult Disease Module. The winner is chosen based on their performance in the ophthalmology component of their exams during the year, including their ophthalmology continuous assessment mark, and Duke Elder exam mark (a voluntary undergraduate exam run annually by the Royal College of Ophthalmologists). This prize is kindly sponsored by PAMEX for which the School of Medicine is very grateful.

Awarded to:                      Robert McGrath  
Presented by :                Dr Mark James

***THE GRADUATE ENTRY MEDICINE FIRST YEAR  
PRIZE AND CERTIFICATE 2014/2015***

In 2008, following the first intake to the Graduate Entry Medicine Course, it was decided to offer a prize and certificate to the students placed respectively First and Second overall in the class in the Summer Examinations. The Prize is awarded annually to the student with the highest aggregate mark in the First Year Summer Examinations and a Certificate will be awarded to the student with the second highest aggregate mark in the Summer Examinations, assuming that First Class Honours are achieved in all subjects in both cases.

Prize awarded to:	Elaine M. O'Connell
Certificate awarded to:	Kim O'Brien
Presented by:	Dr John MacSharry

***THE GRADUATE ENTRY MEDICINE SECOND YEAR PRIZE  
AND THE CERTIFICATE 2014/2015***

A Prize and Certificate are offered on an annual basis to the students placed respectively First and Second overall in the Class in the Summer Examinations. The Prize is awarded annually to the student with the highest aggregate mark in the Second Year Summer Examinations and the Certificate will be awarded annually to the student with the second highest aggregate mark in the Summer Examinations, assuming that First Honours are achieved in all subjects in both cases.

Prize awarded to:	Robert N. Kerley
Certificate awarded to:	Robert C. Whiriskey
Presented by:	Dr Deirdre Bennett

### ***THE PEARSON MEDAL 2014/2015***

The friends, past pupils and admirers of Charles Yelverton Pearson, MD, MCh, FRCS, formerly Professor of Surgery in the University, established a fund for the provision of a medal for annual award. The medal is awarded to the candidate(s) who have obtained the highest marks in Surgery at the Final Medical University Examination.

Awarded to: Dr Sean Underwood  
Presented by: Dr Charles Marks

### ***DR TIMOTHY O'TOOLE MEDAL IN GENERAL PRACTICE 2014/2015***

The friends, classmates and family of the late Dr Timothy O'Toole, MRCP, MICGP have established a fund in his memory. Dr O'Toole was a 1980 graduate of University College Cork, and worked in General Practice in Cork from 1986 to 2003. The 'Timothy O'Toole Medal in General Practice' is awarded annually to the student who achieves the highest mark in the written part of the General Practice module of the end of year assessment in Final Medicine.

Awarded to: Dr Mary N. O'Reilly  
Presented by: Ms Elaine O'Toole

### ***DR JIM DORAN PRIZE IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE 2014/2015***

Dr James (Jim) Doran was born in Cork in 1925, and after WWII he graduated in Medicine from UCC. After working as a GP in Nelson, Lancashire, England, Dr Doran returned to his native Cork to work in General Practice in Carrigtwohill, East Cork. In that time he developed an abiding interest in, and life-

long commitment to, Emergency Medicine, which culminated in running his own Ambulance Service from his Practice in Carrigtwohill. His son, Dr Hugh Doran, has continued the strong family connection to Emergency Medicine work in the Practice he took over on the death of Dr Jim Doran in 1995.

The Department of Emergency Medicine, CUH, in conjunction with the Doran family, have established this Prize, in recognition of Dr Jim Doran's outstanding contribution and pioneering work in Prehospital Emergency Medicine. All Graduate Entry Medicine Year 2 / Direct Entry Medicine Year 3 students are eligible to apply for this prize and the winner is selected from a competitive selection process. The Dr Jim Doran Prize is kindly sponsored by London Air Ambulance and the Department of Emergency Medicine, Cork University Hospital, for which the School is very grateful. The School would like to acknowledge the contribution of Dr Tony Lynch in establishing this Prize.

Awarded to:                    Jeffrey A. Mulcaire  
Presented by:                Dr Hugh Doran

### ***THE MACCONAILL PRIZE 2014/2015***

The family of the late Professor Michael A. MacConaill, in recognition of his outstanding and original contributions to knowledge of the functional anatomy of the locomotor system, wish to perpetuate his memory by establishing an award and have made a donation to the University for this purpose. The Prize is awarded to the candidate who, in the opinion of the Professor of Anatomy, shows most originality in their answers in the Second University Prizes Examination in Clinical Anatomy.

Awarded to:                    Louise C. Kelly  
Presented by:                Dr Andre Toulouse

***THE MACCONAILL PRIZE IN CLINICAL ANATOMY  
2014/2015***

Michael A. MacConaill, formerly Professor of Anatomy in University College Cork, through his fundamental research into articular mechanics, has made possible major advances in Physical Medicine and Orthopaedic Surgery. In recognition of these contributions, and to underline the close relationship between Anatomy, Surgery and Medicine, an annual prize in Clinical Anatomy is awarded. The establishment of this prize was made possible by a donation from a private bequest transmitted through Dr Denis Dooley, Inspector of Anatomy, Department of Health and Social Security, London. The prize is awarded on the result of the examination in the Scientific Basis of Clinical Medicine.

Awarded to:	Cian S. Gallagher
Presented by:	Dr Andre Toulouse

## **2015 DR PAMELA GILLIGAN PRIZE**

Dr Pamela Gilligan qualified from UCC in 1956. She came from a medical family, her mother having qualified in medicine in 1919, her father in 1922. She inherited a firm belief in the importance of education. She joined the Anatomy department in UCC in 1971 and worked there as a histology lecturer for 27 years. She loved UCC and her students. When she died in 2014 it was evident that she was held in very high regard by many of her past pupils. Her family were regaled with stories of small acts of kindness, extra tuition, handholding through pass-fail orals etc. Above all she encouraged everyone to be the best they could – those at the bottom to have the self belief that they could pass and those at the top to fulfil their potential.

With this in mind the inaugural “Dr Pamela Gilligan Award” was presented this year at the UCC Medical Alumni meeting for the best final medical project. There were two winners of the Dr Pamela Gilligan Award.

1) Conor Hugh:

Project Title: Establishing consensus on the learning outcomes for a clinical preparation at course for medical students on electives in low-resource settings in Africa.

Project Supervisor: Dr Conor Deasy

2) Stephanie English:

Project Title: Incidence of acute kidney injury in adult patients with cystic fibrosis.

Project Supervisor: Dr Liam Plant

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## ***RESEARCH AWARDS***

Research electives are popular components within the undergraduate medical curriculum, and all undergraduate students are required to complete an original clinical or translational research project in the final year of their degree. Furthermore, we encourage and facilitate our students to compete for summer undergraduate research scholarships available from a number of agencies including the Health Research Board. Dedicated school funding is also allocated to students who wish to present their research findings at national and international scientific meetings. This active participation in research is reflected in student presentations at national and international meetings, as well as numerous peer reviewed publications.

Today the School would like to acknowledge the following students who were successful in a large number of research activities in 2015.



**Dr Liam Fanning, Chair, Chair, School of Medicine  
Research Committee presents acknowledgement  
scrolls to:**

Wellcome Trust Biomedical Vacation Scholarships

**Cian Gallagher  
Eoin Roche**

Health Research Board (HRB) Summer Student  
Scholarships

***Chin Hong Ngai - David Keohane  
Amy O'Brien - Yan Yu Tan  
Brian O'Sullivan - Sean Whelan  
Dalach O Deasmhunaigh  
Hannah O'Callaghan - William Hutch  
Marion Murphy - Andrew Abbott***

***Timothy O'Brien (in absentia)  
Jennifer Stokes (in absentia)  
Jacqueline Shanahan (in absentia)***

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Bursary Awards

***Aoife O'Brien - Nasir Kanji  
Julia Marr - Eimear Treacy***

***Paul Ryan (in absentia)***

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## **DR HENRY HUTCHINSON STEWART MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIPS 2015**

Dr Henry Hutchinson Stewart was born in Wicklow in 1799, the son of a clergyman. In 1829 he obtained the licence of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland and MD of Edinburgh. In 1888 a bequest was received by Trinity College, Dublin and the Royal University of Ireland, from the estate of Dr Henry Hutchinson Stewart, for the establishment of Medical and Literary Scholarships. On the dissolution of the Royal University, its share of the Trust was allocated equally between the Queen's University of Belfast and the National University of Ireland. Under the terms of the trust it is further provided that two-thirds of the income is allocated for the provision of medical scholarships and one-third for the provision of literary scholarships. The recipients of the Medical Scholarships and Prizes are determined by an agreed Extern Examiner in each subject.

Congratulations again to our students who excelled in both Medical Science and Clinical disciplines. The students received their medals and awards at the NUI ceremony in Royal Hospital Kilmainham, Dublin on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 but we are delighted to acknowledge their success here today also.

### ***Professor Ken O'Halloran presents acknowledgement scrolls to students successful in Medical Science Disciplines***

Sean Whelan	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in Medical Microbiology
Kevin MacSweeney	3 <sup>rd</sup> prize in Medical Microbiology
Edmond Morrissey	Scholarship in Pathology ( <i>in absentia</i> )
Alexandra Brickley	3 <sup>rd</sup> prize in Biochemistry
Jake Murphy	Scholarship in Pharmacology
Robert Whiriskey	Scholarship in Public Health
Claire McCarthy	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in Public Health

***Professor Denis O'Mahony presents acknowledgement  
scrolls to students successful in Clinical Disciplines***

Donnchadh O'Sullivan	Scholarship in Anaesthesia
Hoi Ning Tse	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in Anaesthesia
Keanan Augereau	3 <sup>rd</sup> prize in Anaesthesia
Dr Aisling Doyle	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in Clinical Radiology ( <i>in absentia</i> )
Dr Roisin Marie Ryan	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in Gynaecology & Obstetrics
Dr Aidan Daly	Scholarship in Medicine
Dr Jane Cudmore	3 <sup>rd</sup> prize in Paediatrics
Aoife Freyne	Scholarship in Psychiatry
Siobhan Rafferty	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in Psychiatry

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***The following group photographs will be taken with the Dean immediately after the ceremony***

***Group 1 photo – prizewinners***

*Gordian E. Barry, Wei Qi Chan, John David Kehoe, Claire A. McCarthy, Gillian M Maher, Robert P Craig, Robert McEvoy, Michelle McCarthy, Deirdre Mary Green, Claire Thompson, Emma M. Higginson, Edmond Patrick Morrissey (in absentia), Aoife A Freyne, Catherine O'Mahony, Sean Olann Whelan, Robert McGrath, Elaine M. O'Connell, Kim O'Brien, Robert N. Kerley, Robert C. Whiriskey, Sean Underwood, Mary N. O'Reilly, Jeffrey A. Mulcaire, Louise C. Kelly,*

***Group 2 photo – research award recipients***

*Chin Hong Ngai, David Keohane, Amy O'Brien, Cian Gallagher, Yan Yu Tan, Brian O'Sullivan, Sean Whelan, Dalach O Deasmhunaigh, Hannah O'Callaghan, William Hutch, Marion Murphy, Eoin Roche, Andrew Abbott, Timothy O'Brien (in absentia) Jennifer Stokes (in absentia) Jacqueline Shanahan (in absentia)*

***Group 3 photo – HHS recipients***

*Donnchadh O'Sullivan, Hoi Nong Tse, Keanan Augereau, Aisling Doyle (in absentia), Roisin Marie Ryan, Aidan Daly, Jane Cudmore, Aoife Freyne, Siobhan Rafferty, Sean Whelan, Kevin MacSweeney, Edmond Morrissey (in absentia), Alexandra Brickley, Jake Murphy, Robert Whiriskey, Claire McCarthy*

***Reception in Café Brookfield***  
***All welcome***

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