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ACTIVITIES OFFERED



Orientation: Good Practice for Cell/Tissue Culture Room Management: Preventing Fungal and Bacterial Contamination
December 15, 2025



Molecular Biology Summer Academy
June 8-12, 2026

ACTIVITIES OFFERED



4th UCC Biomedical and Clinical Student/Residents Research Symposium - April 9, 2026

With great enthusiasm, we express our gratitude to all who participated in the 5th UCC Research Symposium. This year, the event was highlighted by 77 poster presentations and 5 oral presentations by UCC students. We also featured an oral presentation by Dr. Enid García entitled "Navigating non-traditional pathways in research," and 194 participants. It is a source of pride to witness the excellent research work and the dedication of our students and their mentors. Participants included the Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences, School of Medicine, School of Chiropractic, Substance Abuse Counseling Program, and Medical Imaging Technology Program.

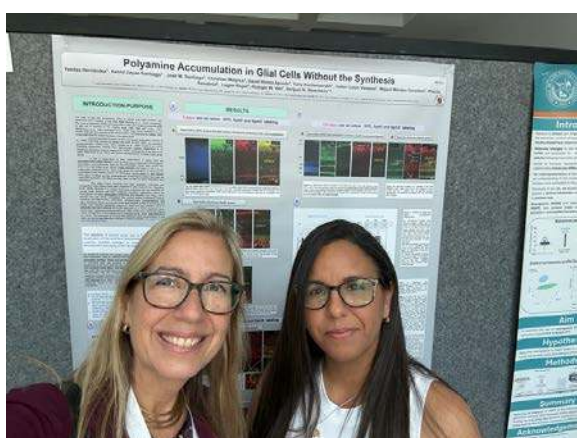
ACTIVITIES ATTENDED



Jennifer Guzmán and Vicmag Cabrera
NCURA Financial Research Administration and
Pre-Award Research Administration Meeting
March 19-23 2026, San Juan, PR



Dr. Lyliana Crespo
2025 PCORI Annual Meeting
October 21-22, 2025, Washington, DC



Faculty and Students participated in the
33rd Puerto Rico Neuroscience Conference
December 6, 2025, San Juan, PR



Faculty and Staff participated in the
15th Alliance Scientific Day
May 6, 2026, San Juan, PR

ACTIVITIES ATTENDED



Faculty and Staff participated in the 2026 Alliance Annual Retreat
May 7, 2026, San Juan, PR



Faculty and Staff participated in the
46th Research and Education Forum
March 25-27, 2026, San Juan, PR



Faculty participated in the
2026 NISBRE Conference
June 14-17, 2026, Washington, DC



"Spark Session: Women Entrepreneurs and Innovators".
March 11, 2026, San Juan, PR

ACTIVITIES ATTENDED



HIREC - EAC Meeting 2025-2026
May 13, 2026, San Juan, PR



UCC faculty participated in the SEUD
Latinoamérica
November 21-22, 2026 San Juan, PR



UCC faculty in the GROW PR Network Special Event
June 26, 2026 San Juan, PR



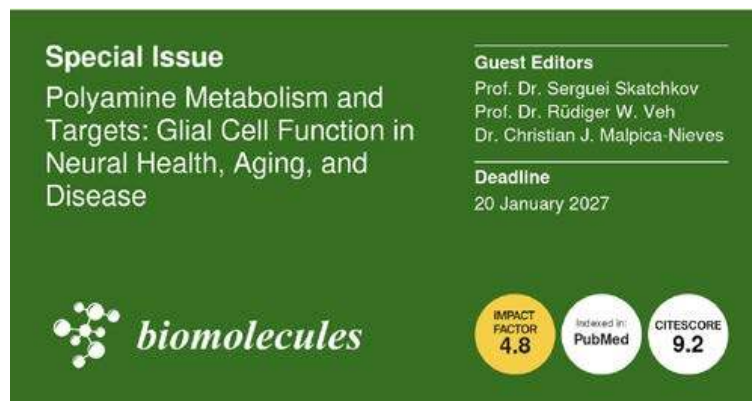
UCC faculty and staff participated in the
46th Research and Education Forum
March 25-27, 2026, San Juan, PR

FACULTY AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



Dr. Jake Halverson

Recognition as a speaker at the 9th Puerto Rico Chiropractic Congress. October 10-12, 2025.



Dr. Serguei Skatchkov

Selected as Guest Editor of the Special Issue “Polyamine Metabolism and Targets: Glial Cell Function in Neural Health, Aging, and Disease. Journal Biomolecules. April 27, 2026. MDPI Publishing House.



Dr. Michelle M. Martínez

Highlighted among women entrepreneurs and innovators in Puerto Rico.

Faculty Review Activities Participation



Dr. Nawal Boukli

- NIH R15 and R16 Oncology Sciences Study Section - April 14, 2026



Dr. Michelle Martínez

- NIH/NCI Cancer Chemoprevention- R01, R21, R36 Study Section - January 15, 2026
- NIH/NCI Cancer Chemoprevention - R01, R21, R36 Study Section - March 26, 2026
- NIH/NCI Cancer Chemoprevention - R01, R21, R36 Study Section - June 25, 2026
- Scientific Reports Journal reviewer
- Frontiers Journals reviewer



Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh

- NIH R15 Oncological Sciences Study Section - September 25, 2025
- NI R15 and R16 Oncological Sciences Study Section - April 14, 2026



Dr. Mikhail Inyushin

- Apl Bios, Brain Science, Cancers, Frontiers, Metabolites Journals reviewer.



Dr. Serguei Skatchkov

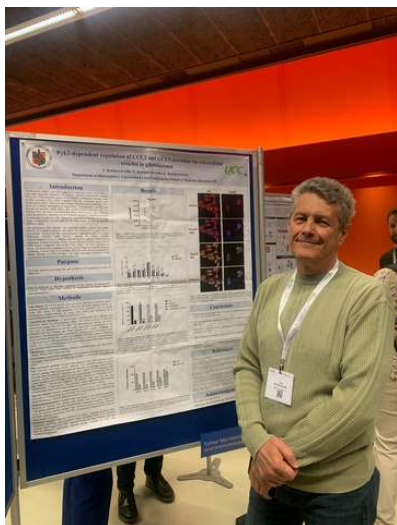
- iScience, Biomolecules, Brain Research Bulletin, Experimental Eye Research Journals reviewer.



Dr. Ivette J. Suárez

- Frontiers in Oncology Journal reviewer

FACULTY PRESENTATIONS



Dr. Yuriy Kucheryavykh

CICON 2025
September 10-12, 2025, Netherlands



**Dr. Yuriy Kucheryavykh and
Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh**

CICON 2025
September 10-12, 2025, Netherlands



Dr. Eduardo Álvarez

Invited Seminar



Dr. Jake Halverson

9th Puerto Rico Chiropractic Congress.
October 10-12, 2025, San Juan, PR



Dr. Ángel M. Mayor

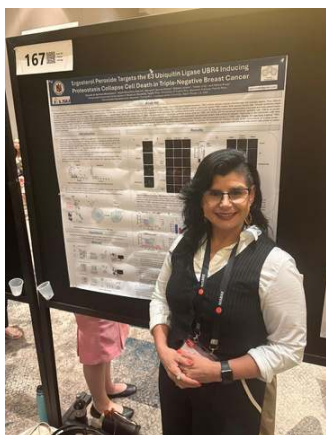
2026 Alliance Annual Retreat
May 7, 2026, San Juan, PR



Dr. Ivette J. Suárez

Biociencias en Puerto Rico
October 30, 2025, Bayamon, PR

FACULTY PRESENTATIONS



Dr. Michelle M. Martínez
NISBRE 2026
June 14-17, 2026, Washington DC



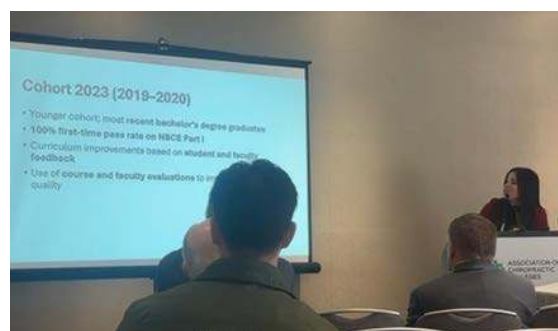
Dr. Diana M. Fernández
Dr. Ángel M. Mayor
NISBRE 2026
June 14-17, 2026, Washington DC



Dr. Joel Carmichael
ACCRAC 2026
March 26-28, 2026
Kansas City



Dr. Lyliana Crespo
Alliance Annual Scientific Day
May 6, 2026, San Juan, PR



Dr. Kimberleve Rolón
ACCRAC 2026
March 26-28, 2026, Kansas City

STAFF PRESENTATIONS



Jesmarie Aulí
46th Research and Education Forum
March 25-27, 2026, San Juan, PR



Samary Ortiz
46th Research and Education Forum
March 25-27, 2026, San Juan, PR

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Nawal Boukli

Title: Proteomics reveal selectable markers in the threatened species *Acropora palmata* under seasonal temperature fluctuations.

Journal: Journal of the Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom

Dr. Nadezhda Sabeva

Title: Modeling gulf war illness: Anxiety, memory deficits, cholinergic and Potassium Channel imbalance in male and female mice.

Journal: Life Sciences

Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh, Dr. Yury Kucheryavykh

Title: The Role of Pyk2 Kinase in Glioblastoma Progression and Therapeutic Targeting.

Journal: Cancers (Basel)

Dr. David Rivera

Title: Identification of SARS1 as a Prognostic Biomarker in Invasive Lobular Carcinoma Using Lasso-Logistic Regression.

Journal: microPublication Biology

Dr. Briseida Feliciano

Title: Ancestral genomic functional differences in oligodendroglia: implications for Alzheimer's disease.

Journal: Alzheimers and Dementia

Dr. Legier V. Rojas

Title: From burnout to balance: the role of peer-assisted learning in college life.

Journal: BMC Medical Education

Dr. Mikhail Inyushin, Dr. Legier Rojas, Dr. Priscila Sanabria, Dr. Janaina Alves

Title: Vectorial principles of sensorimotor decoding.

Journal: Frontiers in Human Neuroscience

Dr. Bárbara Riestra

Title: Characteristics, Autoimmune Disease History, and Post-augmentation Symptom Reporting Among Puerto Rican Women.

Journal: Cureus

Dr. Mikhail Inyushin

Title: Transplanted Cells, Transferred Minds: Can Transplanted Cells Influence Mental Illness?.

Journal: Cell and Tissue Biology

Dr. Bárbara Riestra

Title: Associations Between Breast Implant Characteristics, Autoimmune Disease History, and Post-augmentation Symptom Reporting Among Puerto Rican Women.

Journal: Cureus

Dr. Serguei Skatchkov, Dr. Christian Malpica, Dr. David Rivera, Dr. Legier Rojas

Title: Age-Dependent Redistribution of the Life-Important Enzyme in the Retina: Adult Muller Glial Cells' Endfeet Lack Spermine Synthase Expression.

Journal: Biomolecules

Dr. Briseida Feliciano

Title: Biomarkers

Journal: Alzheimer's and Dementia

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh, Dr. Mikhail Inyushin
Title: Amyloid precursor protein accumulation in glioblastoma is associated with altered synaptic dynamics and immune suppression.
Journal: Discover Oncology

Dr. Priscila Sanabria
Title: Reward-associated cues reduce H-current amplitude in midbrain dopamine neurons.
Journal: Neuropharmacology

Dr. Iris Salgado
Title: The Effect of Cefazolin on the Gut Microbiome of Female Rats after Spinal Cord Injury.
Journal: Microorganisms

Dr. Mikhail Inyushin, Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh, Dr. Janaina Alves
Title: Targeting Gliomas with Beta-Amyloid Specific Dyes: A Novel Approach for In Vivo Staining and Potential Therapeutic Applications.
Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Dr. Jake Halverson
Title: Whole Plant Cannabinoid Nonpharmaceutical Treatment Protocols for a Young Male with Dravet Syndrome.
Journal: Journal of Chiropractic Medicine

Dr. Ivette Suárez, Dr. Nawal Boukli
Title: SCAMP3-Driven Regulation of ERK1/2 and Autophagy Phosphoproteomics Signatures in Triple-Negative Breast Cancer.
Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Dr. David Rivera, Dr. Serguei Skatchkov
Title: Role of Glyoxalase in Astrocytes' Supportive Function Under Hyperglycemic Conditions: Aminoguanidine and Kir4.1 Channel Recovery.
Journal: Brain Sciences

Dr. Waleska Crespo
Title: Program standards and student competencies among global chiropractic accreditation agencies: a content analysis.
Journal: BMC Medical Education

Dr. Joel Carmichael
Title: Scapular pain in cervical radiculopathy: A scoping review.
Journal: North American Spine Society Journal

Dr. Ivette Suárez, Dr. Michelle Martínez, Ms. Vicmag Cabrera
Title: Puerto Rico Cancer Research Meeting: a venue designed by graduate students to strengthen Puerto Rico's scientific environment.
Journal: Molecular Biology of the Cell. Voices

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Briseida Feliciano

Title: Educational Attainment is Associated with Reduced Functional Decline in Puerto Ricans with Elevated pTau181.

Journal: Alzheimer's Disease

Dr. Eduardo Álvarez, Dr. Solianne Martínez
Title: Modulating Post-Stroke Inflammation with FDA-Approved Immunotherapies: A Literature Review.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh

Title: Window of Opportunity Study Measuring Defactinib and Avutometinib Delivery in Glioblastomas.

Journal: Cancer Chemotherapy and Pharmacology

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Changes in the Prevalence of Non-AIDS Conditions among Hospitalized Persons with HIV in the United States and Canada, 2008-2018.

Journal: Clinical Infectious Disease.

Dr. Sofía Jiménez

Title: Prevalence of Musculoskeletal Complaints in Underserved Populations Attending a Student-Run Free Clinic in Puerto Rico: A Cross-Sectional Analysis.

Journal: Cureus

Dr. Serguei Skatchkov, Dr. Christian Malpica

Title: Gender-Associated Differences in the Regulation of Potassium Channels in Astrocytes of Type 2 Diabetic Mice.

Journal: Cells

Dr. Diana M. Fernández, Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Non-neoplastic cutaneous manifestations of HIV infection in patients from a community-based clinic in Puerto Rico.

Journal: PHSU Scientific Journal

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Incidence of AIDS-Defining Conditions Among Adults with Perinatally Acquired HIV after Transition to Adult HIV Care in the United States and Canada, 2000-2022.

Journal: Clinical Infectious Disease

Dr. Briseida Feliciano

Title: Dissecting Alzheimer's Disease Heritability Across Populations.

Journal: Alzheimer's & Dementia

Dr. Eduardo Álvarez, Dr. Solianne Martínez

Title: Molecular Regulation of HIV-1 Expression and Persistence Across Diverse Cellular Reservoirs.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences.

Dr. Martha E. García

Title: Contemporary Step 1 Predictive Methods Across 12 US MD-Granting Medical Schools.

Journal: Teaching and Learning in Medicine

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Direct-Acting Antiviral Initiation Among People with Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) and HIV on Antiretroviral Therapy in the United States and Canada: Factors Driving the HCV Treatment Gap.

Journal: Open Forum Infectious Disease

Dr. Briseida Feliciano

Title: Multi-ancestry Transcriptome-wide Association Study Reveals Shared and Population-Specific Genetic Effects in Alzheimer's Disease.

Journal: The American Journal of Human Genetics

Dr. Norman Ramírez Lluch

Title: Reassessing the Application of the Haller Index as a Surgical Indicator for Pectus Excavatum.

Journal: Cureus

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Harmonizing HIV-1 RNA Laboratory Measurements in a Longitudinal Cohort Collaboration.

Journal: American Journal of Epidemiology

Dr. Eduardo Álvarez

Title: Time-and Dose-Dependent PSP-Induced Modulation of Antiviral Signaling Networks in CD4+ T Cells.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Dr. Norman Ramírez Lluch

Title: Inferior Gluteal Nerve Originating From the Common Fibular Nerve: A Histologically Validated Anatomical Variant with Clinical Implications.

Journal: Cureus

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Incident Diabetes After Switching to Integrase Strand Transfer Inhibitors in People with HIV in the USA and Canada: a Cohort Study.

Journal: The Lancet HIV

Dr. Lilia Kucheryavykh

Title: Astrocytoma-Specific Prognostic Associations of Amyloid-Related Biological Processes.

Journal: Pathophysiology

Dr. Eric González

Title: Educational Impact of First-Year Medical Students in a Carceral Facility: A Transformative Community Service.

Journal: Health Promotion Practice

Dr. Bolívar Arboleda

Title: Survey of the Senologic International Society (SIS) on the Use of Preoperative Breast MRI in Early-Stage Breast Cancer: A Global Perspective on Current Practice.

Journal: European Journal of Breast Health

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Availability of Cancer Screening Across HIV Treatment Sites in the IeDEA Consortium.

Journal: International Journal of Cancer

Dr. Michelle M. Martínez

Title: Entrepreneurship beyond the lab: commercializing your creative outputs.

Journal: BMC Proceedings

Dr. Norman Ramírez Lluch

Title: A Comprehensive Review: Does Radiographic Alignment Predict Functional Outcomes in Elderly Patients with Distal Radius Fractures?

Journal: Cureus

Dr. Isabel Borrás

Title: Characterization of Traumatic Brain Injury Using Imaging and Physiological Parameters: A Pilot Study.

Journal: Military Medicine

Dr. Sofía Jiménez

Title: Sexual Dimorphism and Population Variation in Median Nerve Morphometry: A Multi-Institutional Cadaveric Analysis.

Journal: Diagnostics

Dr. Maricarmen Cruz

Title: Cardiac Rehabilitation Before and After Cardian Transplantation

Journal: PM&R Knowledge Now

Dr. Norman Ramírez Lluch

Title: Posterior acetabular wall fracture while playing basketball in a young Hispanic male: A case series.

Journal: Trauma & Case Reports

Dr. Ángel Mayor

Title: Changes in weight and glycemia after initiation of integrase strand transfer inhibitors among people with HIV and diabetes in the United States and Canada.

Journal: AIDS

Dr. Norman Ramírez Lluch

Title: Scoliosis in Escobar Syndrome: Retrospective Review of Surgical Outcomes, Risks, and Radiographic Patterns.

Journal: Journal of Pediatric Orthopaedics

Dr. Martha E. García

Title: Critical Alliance of AI in Education: A Pedagogical Framework for Safeguarding Cognitive Skills.

Journal: International Medical Education

Dr. Sandra Guzmán

Title: Montessori Principles in Medical Education: Training Innovative and Compassionate Physicians.

Journal: Medical Science Educator

STUDENTS AWARDS



Laurie Santos
MA Student

PR-INBRE/STCE Junior Research
Associate Students Fellowship



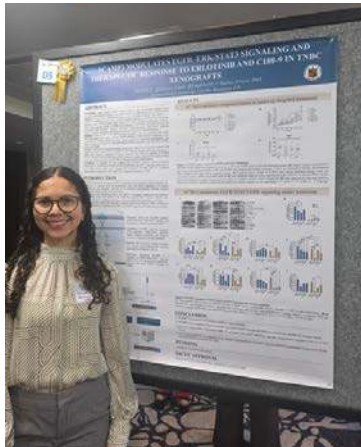
Emely Morales
PhD Student

2026 AACR Early Career
Scholar in the Field of Cancer
Research Award



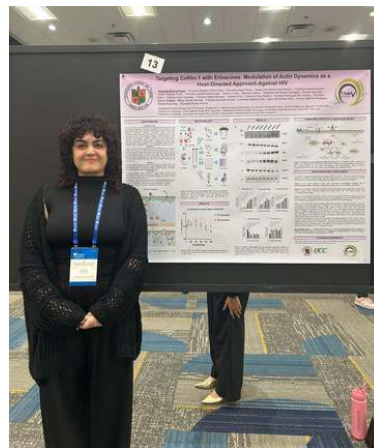
Abigail Rivera
Undergraduate Student

Third Place Poster Award
1st Annual Research Symposium of
the LMSA at PHSU.



Amanda Quiñones
Undergraduate Student

First Place Student Poster
Presentation
15th Alliance Scientific Day



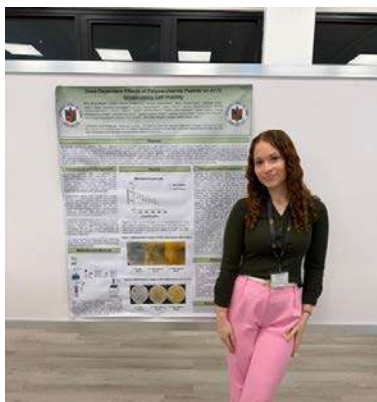
Amanda Rivera
Undergraduate Student

Travel Award to attend Emerging
Researchers National (ERN)
Conference.



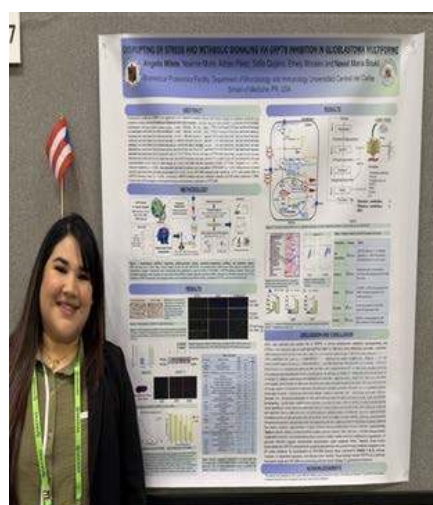
Andrea Ortiz,
MD Student

Outstanding Abstract
5th UCC Research Symposium



Perla Rivera
Undergraduate Student

Second Place Poster Award
4th Multidisciplinary Research
Symposium
Universidad Sagrado Corazón



Angelis Milete
PhD Student

SACNAS Travel Scholarship



Natalia Sánchez
Undergraduate Student

Third Place Poster Award
45th Annual Research and
Education Forum



Andrea N. Vázquez
MD Student

Outstanding Abstract
5th UCC Research Symposium

STUDENTS AWARDS



Natalia Luciano

PhD Student

1st Place Poster Competition
Basic Sciences
5th UCC Research Symposium



Neichary Soto

PhD Student

3rd Place Poster Competition
Basic Sciences
5th UCC Research Symposium



Viviana Ortiz

DC Student

3rd Place Poster Competition
Clinical & Translational Research
5th UCC Research Symposium



Rychel Torres

MD Student

1st Place Poster Competition
Public Health
5th UCC Research Symposium



Carolina Ganán

MD Student

2nd Place Poster Competition
Public Health
5th UCC Research Symposium



Karina Morales &

Daneily Jaquez

Medical Imaging Students

3rd Place Poster Competition
Public Health
5th UCC Research Symposium



Arianna C. López

MD Student

Outstanding Abstract
5th UCC Research Symposium



Ivonne Arias

PhD Student

Outstanding Abstract
5th UCC Research Symposium



Augusto González

MD Student

Outstanding Abstract
5th UCC Research Symposium

PHD DISSERTATION DEFENSES IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES



José Marrero

Dissertation Title: 4R-Cembranoid as a Therapeutic Agent Against Glutamate-Induced Neurotoxicity in Gulf War Illness

Mentor: Dr. Nadezhda Sabeva



Beatriz Morales

Dissertation Title: SCAMP3-Driven ERK1/2 Signaling, Autophagy, and Therapeutic Response in Triple-Negative Breast Cancer

Mentor: Dr. Ivette J. Suárez



Jadier Colón

Dissertation Title: Regulation of the Astrocyte's metabolic pathways triggers a recovery of the Kir4.1 potassium channel expression in hyperglycemia

Mentor: Dr. Serguei Skatchkov



GRADUATE STUDENTS RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS



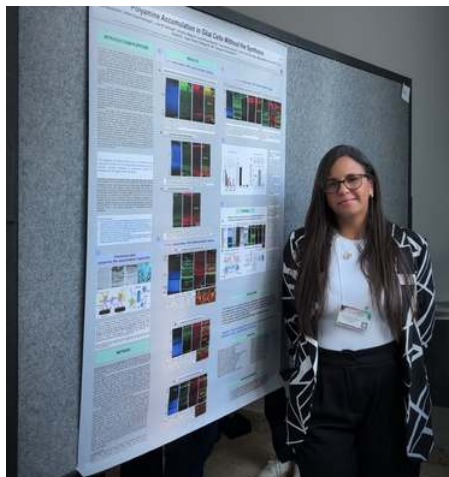
Neisha Ramírez and Emely Colón
Society for NeuroOncology Annual Meeting,
November 19-23, 2025, Honolulu, Hawaii



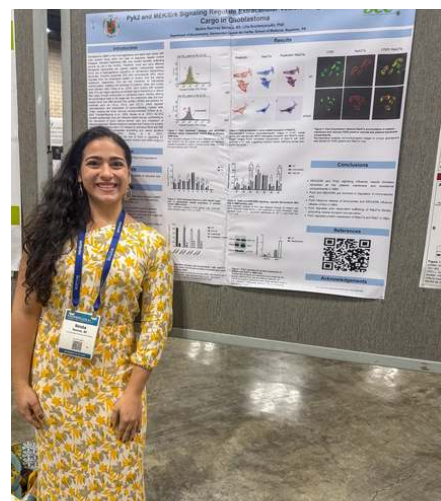
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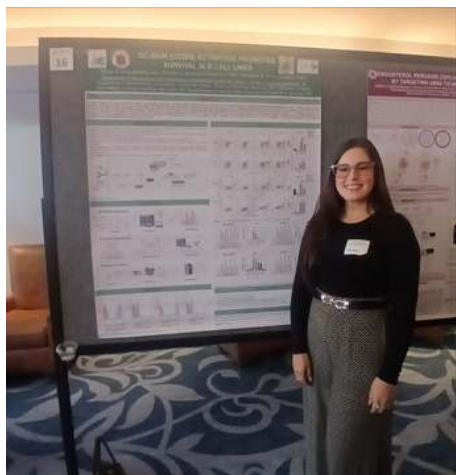
Laurie Santos
ABRCMS Conference
Nov 19-22, 2025, San Antonio TX



Yanitza Hernández
33rd PR Neuroscience Conference.
December 6, 2025, San Juan, PR



Neisha Ramírez
2025 WFNOS and SNO
Annual Meeting,
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Honolulu, Hawaii



Ivonne Arias
Alliance Annual Scientific Day
May 6, 2026, San Juan, PR

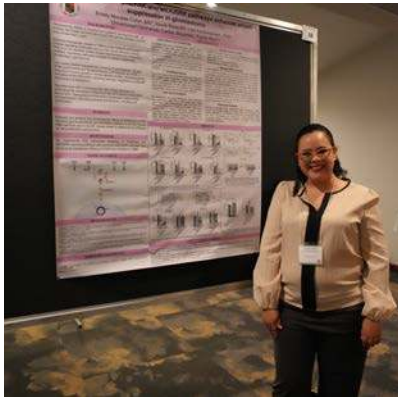


Natalia Luciano
Alliance Annual Scientific Day
May 6, 2026, San Juan, PR



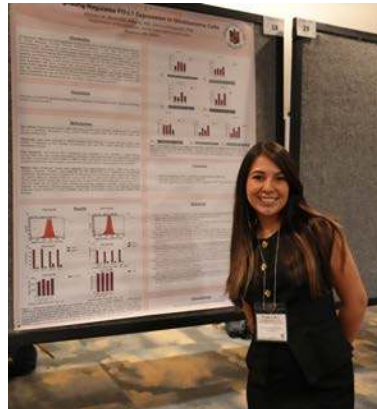
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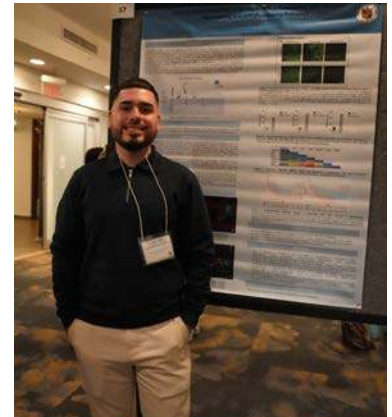
Emely Morales

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Alondra Bermúdez

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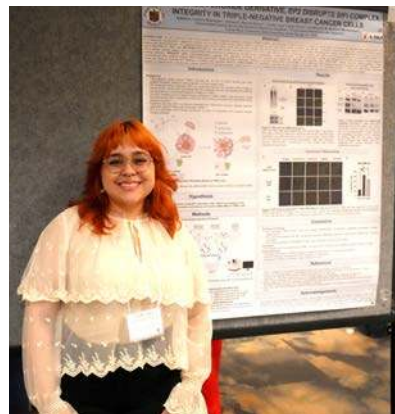
Félix Y. Narváez

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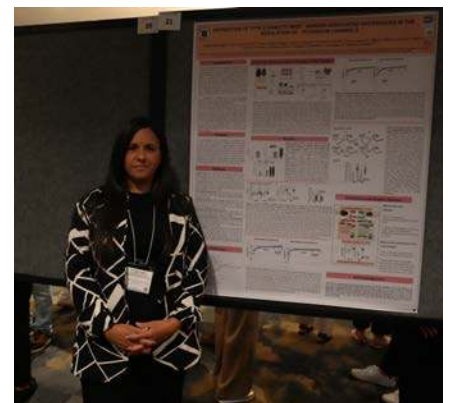
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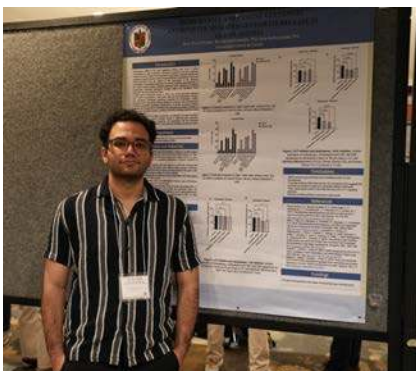
Natalia Luciano

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Yanitza Hernández

5th UCC Research Symposium
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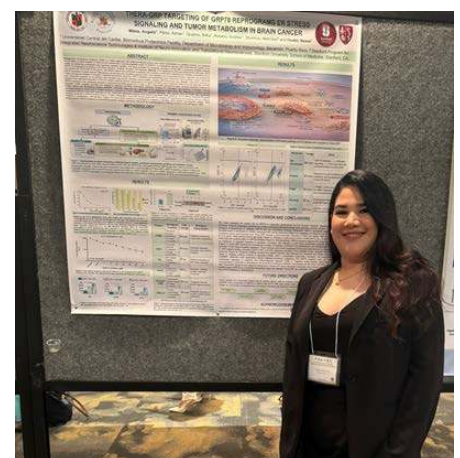
Kevin Rosa

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Angelis Milete

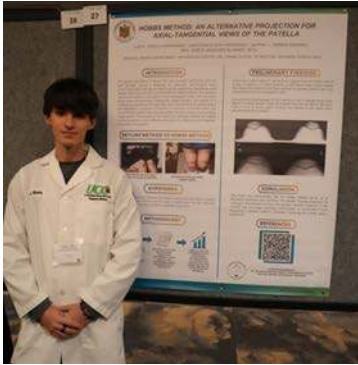
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Angelis Milete

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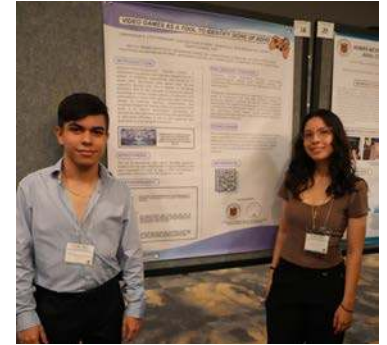
MEDICAL IMAGING STUDENTS RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS



Jonathan Rivera
5th UCC Research Symposium
April 9, 2026, Guaynabo, PR

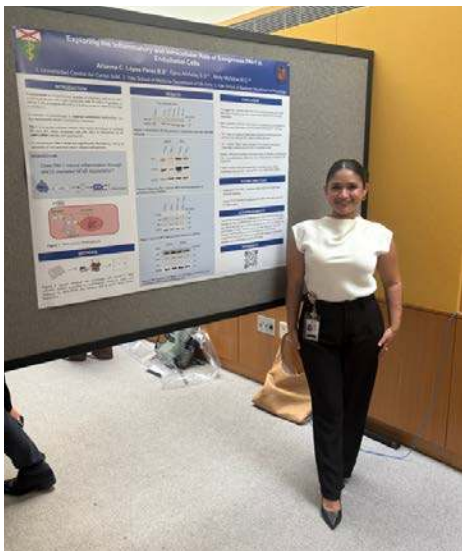


**Karina Morales
Daneily Jaquez**
5th UCC Research Symposium
April 9, 2026, Guaynabo, PR



**Emmanuelle Cruz
Evelisse Elías**
5th UCC Research Symposium
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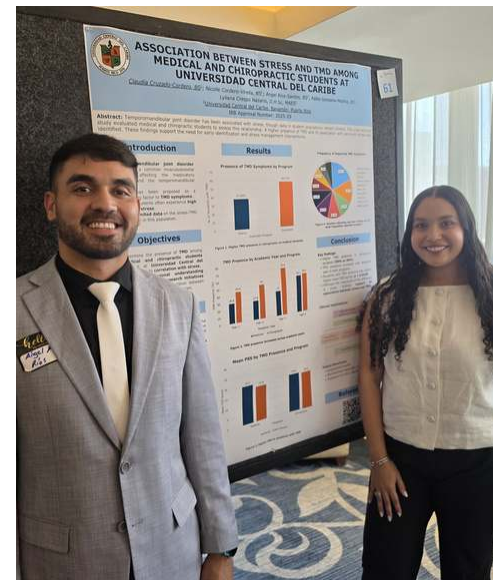
MEDICAL STUDENTS RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS



Arianna C. López
July 2025



Diego López
33rd PR Neuroscience Conference
December 6, 2025, San Juan, PR



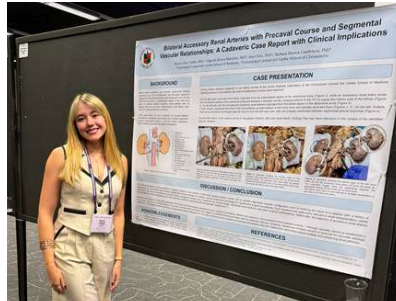
Claudia Cruzado
Alliance Annual Scientific Day
May 6, 2026, San Juan, PR

MEDICAL STUDENTS RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS



Fabiola Colón

American College of Physicians (ACP) Puerto Rico Chapter, November 8, 2025, San Juan, PR



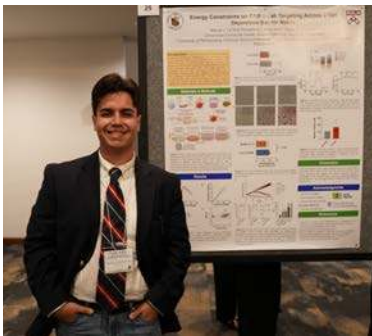
Rocío Colón

American Medical Association (AMA) Annual Meeting, June 5-10, 2026, Chicago, IL



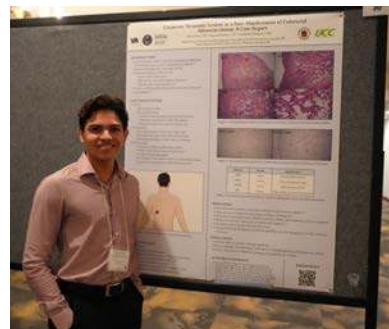
Alejandro Pinilla

46th Annual Research and Education Forum. March 25-27, 2026 San Juan, PR



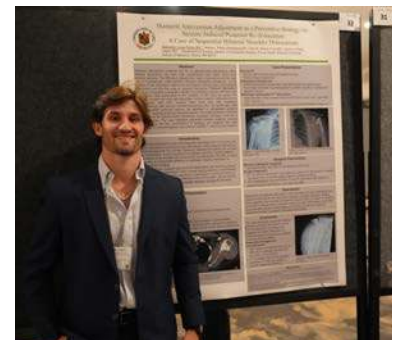
Manuel J. La Torre

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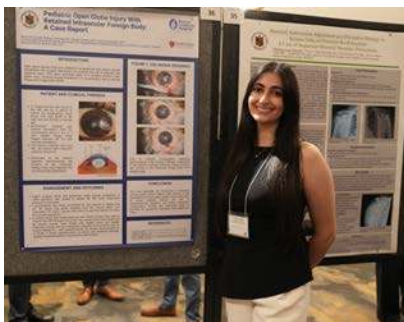
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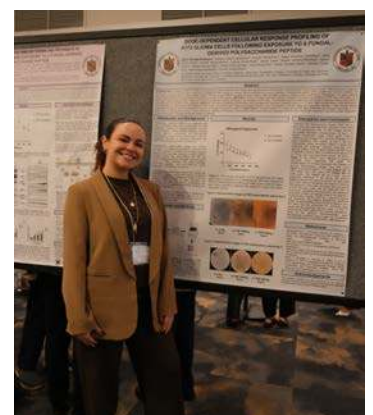
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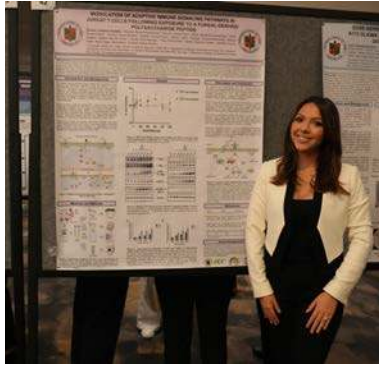
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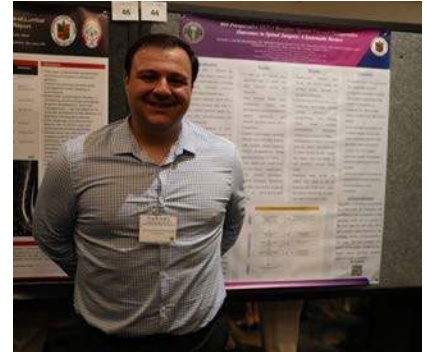
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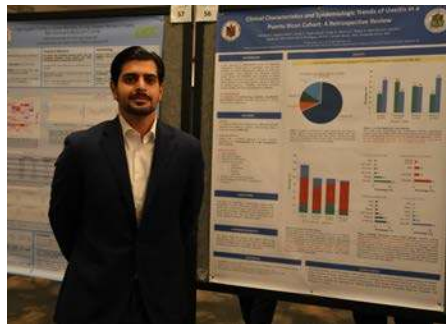
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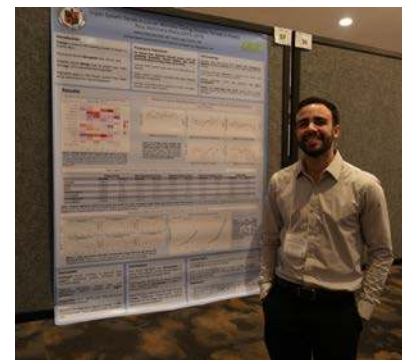
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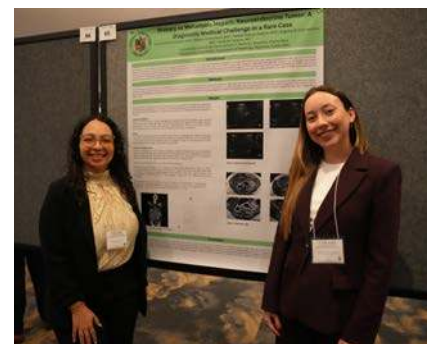
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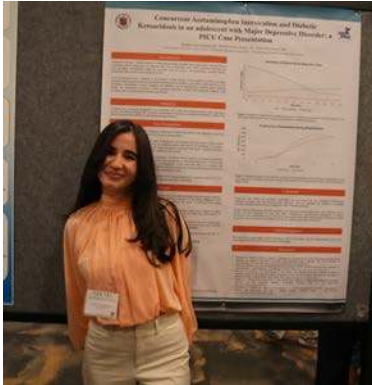
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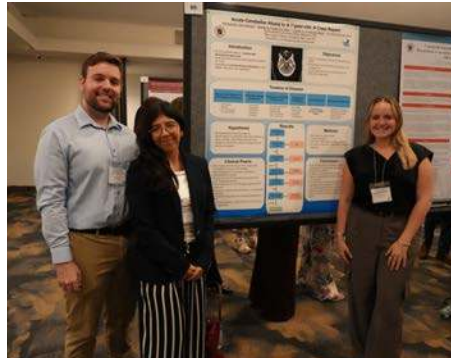
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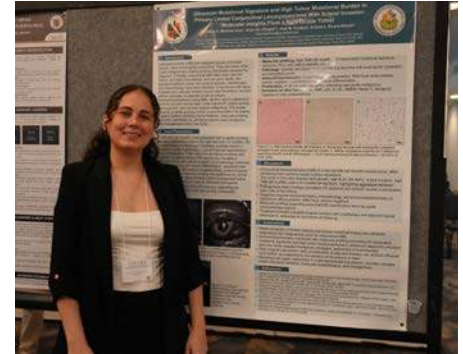
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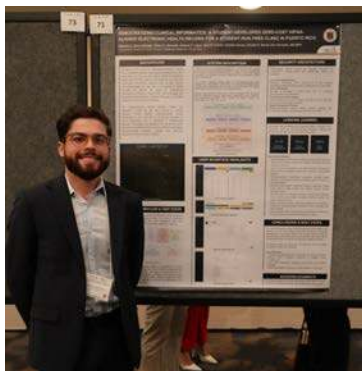
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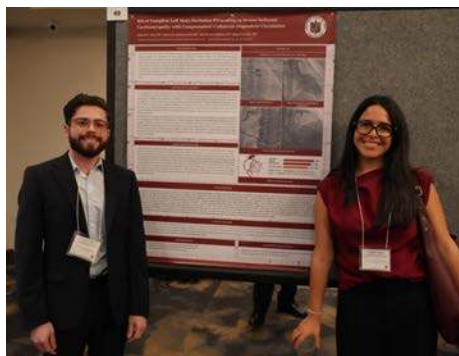
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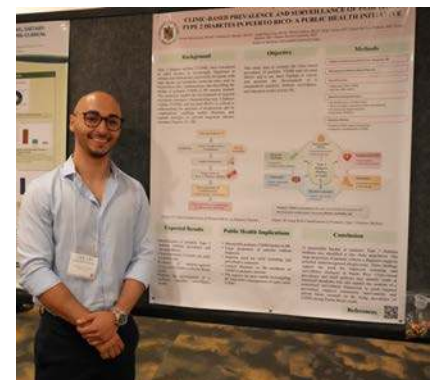
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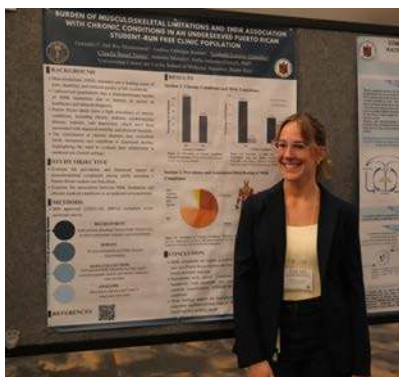
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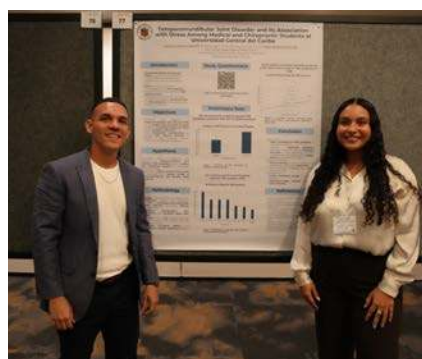
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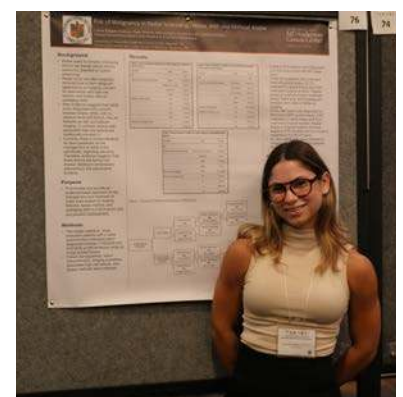
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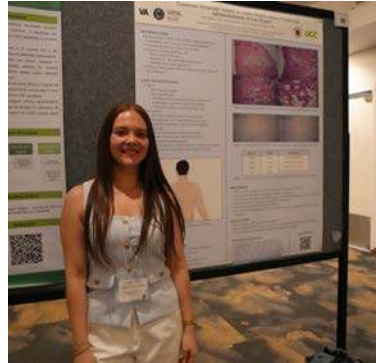
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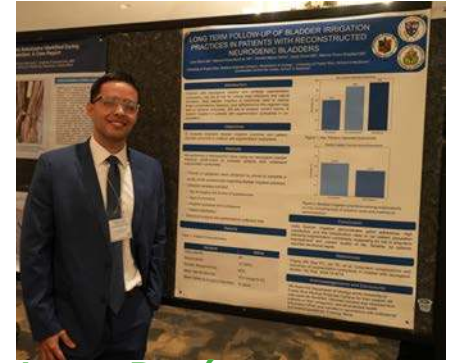
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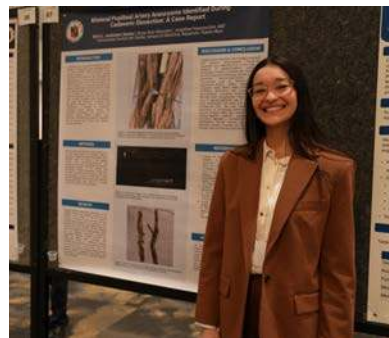
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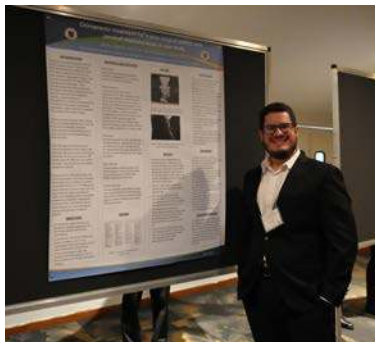
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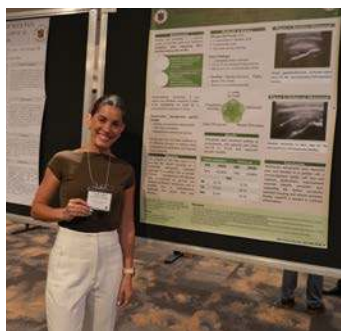
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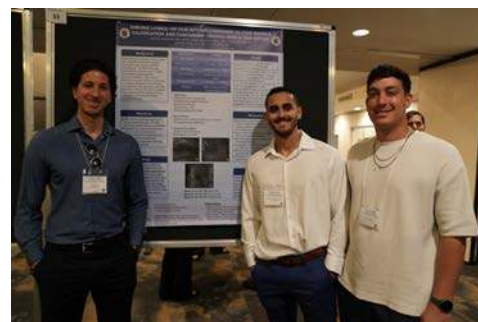
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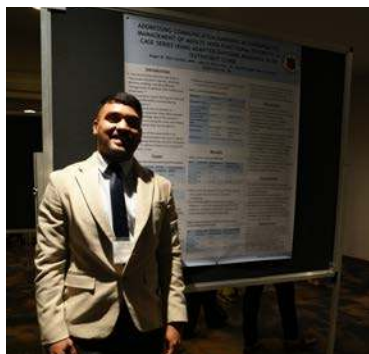
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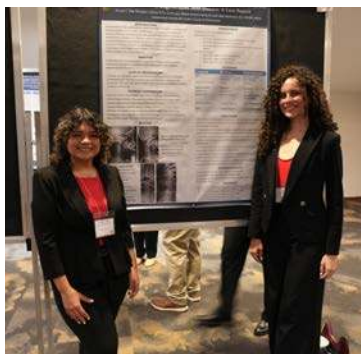
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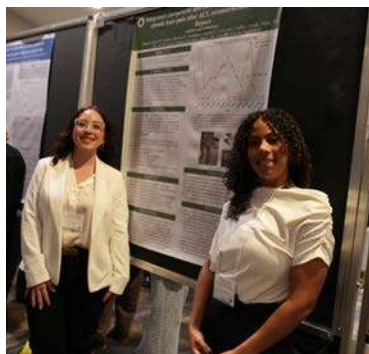
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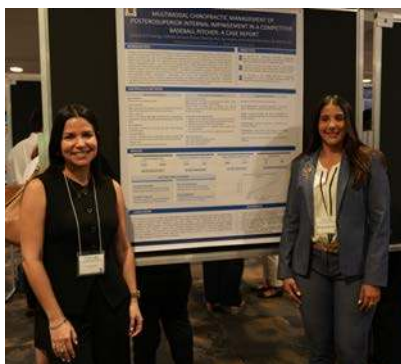
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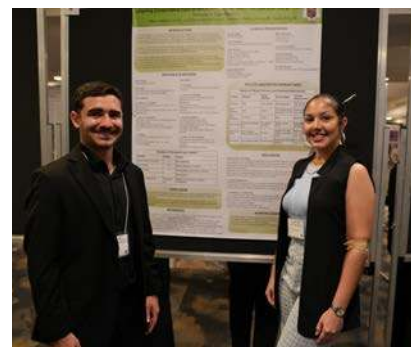
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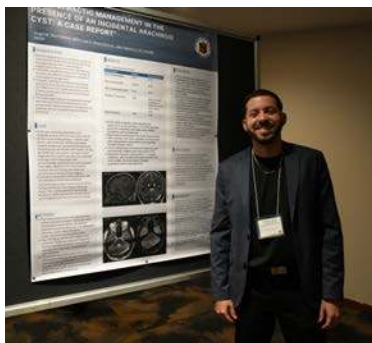
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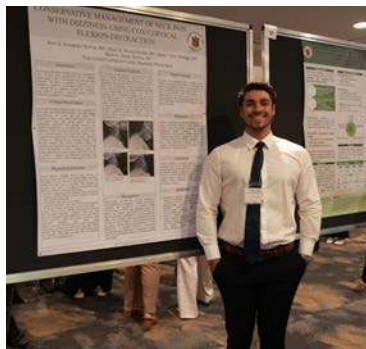
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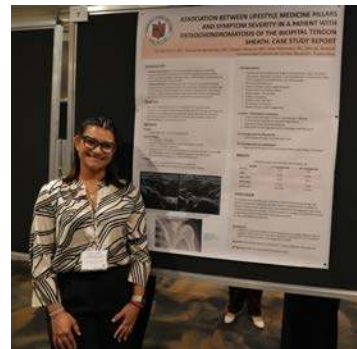
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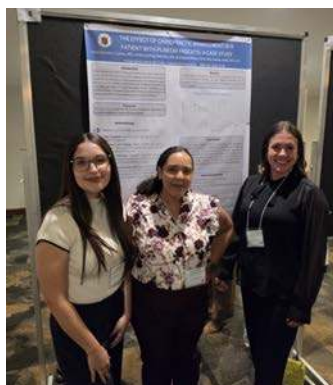
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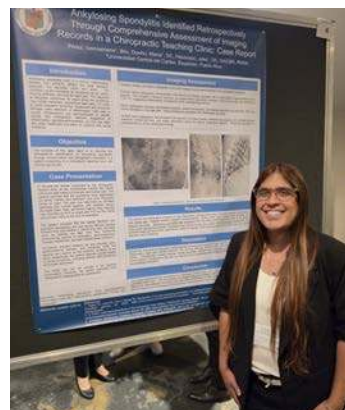
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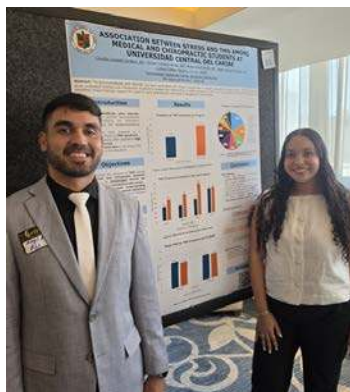
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Alliance Annual Scientific Day
May 6, 2026, San Juan, PR

VISITING STUDENTS RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS



Ashlin Álvarez

UCC Mentor: Dr. E. Álvarez
40th AAAS 2025
Conference. October 24-25,
2025, Humacao, PR



Andrea Rodríguez

UCC Mentor: Dr. E. Álvarez
SACNAS 2025, October 30-
November 1, 2025.
Columbus, Ohio



**Claudia Rodríguez,
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UCC Mentor: Dr. E. Álvarez
CREPS 2025 Conference,
August 16, 2025, San Juan, PR



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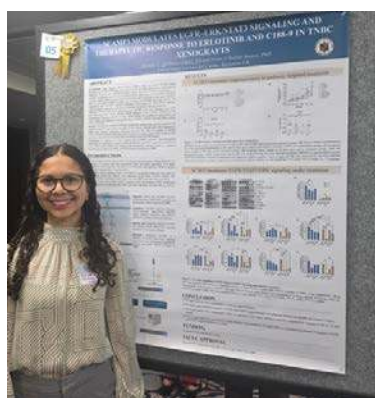
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33rd PR Neuroscience
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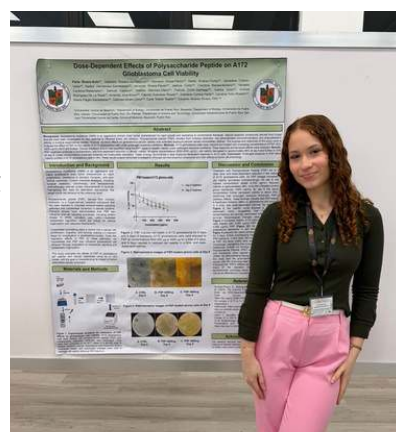
Carolina Felix

UCC Mentor: Dr. E. Álvarez
33rd PR Neuroscience Conference,
December 6, 2025, San Juan, PR



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UCC Mentor: Dr. I. Suárez
15th Alliance Scientific
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STUDENTS PUBLICATIONS

José L. Marrero

Title: Modeling gulf war illness: Anxiety, memory deficits, cholinergic and Potassium Channel imbalance in male and female mice.

Journal: Life Sciences

Beatriz M. Morales

Title: SCAMP3-Driven Regulation of ERK1/2 and Autophagy Phosphoproteomics Signatures in Triple-Negative Breast Cancer.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Kevin Rosa & Félix Narváez

Title: Targeting Gliomas with Beta-Amyloid-Specific Dyes: A Novel Approach for In Vivo Staining and Potential Therapeutic Application.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Félix Y. Narváez, Tyrel Porter & Neisha Ramírez

Title: Astrocytoma-Specific Prognostic Associations of Amyloid-Related Biological Processes.

Journal: Pathophysiology

Emely Morales

Title: Window of opportunity study measuring defactinib and avutometinib delivery in glioblastomas.

Journal: Cancer Chemotherapy & Pharmacology

Yanitza Hernández

Title: Age-Dependent Redistribution of the Life-Important Enzyme in the Retina: Adult Muller Glial Cells' Enfeet Lack Spermine Synthase Expression.

Journal: Biomolecules

Jadier Colón & Yanitza Hernández

Title: Role of Glyoxalase in Astrocytes' Supportive Function Under Hyperglycemic Conditions: Aminoguanidine and Kir4.1 Channel Recovery.

Journal: Brain Sciences

Sergio Aymat & Maillim Ortiz

Title: Associations Between Breast Implant Characteristics, Autoimmune Disease History, and Post-augmentation Symptom Reporting Among Puerto Rican Women.

Journal: Cureus

Cristina A. Martínez

Title: Update on Retinoblastoma Therapies

Journal: Medicina

Gerardo E. Sánchez

Title: Objective Improvements, Subjective Uncertainty: Surgical Outcomes and the Role of PROMIS in Severe PIP Contractures

Journal: HAND

Tyrel Porter

Title: Reconsidering affective attitudes in constructivist accounts of moral death: the case of the decerebrate patient.

Journal: Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics

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Andrés Gorbea

Title: A Novel Application of the PROPEL Implant in Ethmoid CSF Leak Repair.

Journal: The Laryngoscope

Gerardo E. Sánchez

Title: Gracilis Free Flap Technique for Elbow Flexion Reconstruction.

Journal: JBJS Essential Surgical Techniques

Sebastián J. Vázquez

Title: Sveinsson Choriretinal Atrophy: A New Gene Variant.

Journal: Cureus

Camille Vélez, Daniela Martínez, María Díaz & Gabriel A. Jiménez

Title: A Surgery of On-Call Ophthalmology Consultation Availability Across Emergency Rooms in Puerto Rico.

Journal: Cureus

Tyrel Porter

Title: Amyloid precursor protein accumulation in glioblastoma is associated with altered synaptic dynamics and immune suppression.

Journal: Discover Oncology

Claudia Ramírez

Title: Population-based utilization and survival of competing treatments for small renal masses: The growing role of thermal ablation.

Journal: Urology Oncology: Seminars and Original Investigations

Ana I. Calderón

Title: A New Diversity Strategy to Increase Latinx Representation in Otolaryngology: A Surgery of Latinx Medical Students.

Journal: Hispanic Health Caare International

Andrea Fábregas

Title: Ream and Run Hemiarthroplasty Versus Total Shoulder Arthroplasty: A Comparison of Shoulder Treatments for Glenohumeral Arthritis.

Journal: Cureus

Tyrel Porter, Isaí Soto & Emir Rinaldi

Title: Identification of SARS1 as a Prognostic Biomarker in Invasive Lobular Carcinoma Using Lasso-Logistic Regression.

Journal: microPublication Biology

Rafael Morales

Title: Molecular Features and Actionable Gene Targets of Testicular Germ Cell Tumors in a Real-World Setting.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

Sebastián J. Vázquez & Gabriel A. Jiménez

Title: Hemoglobin C Disease with Splenomegaly and with Factor II Mutation Gene Thrombophilia: A Case Report.

Journal: Cureus

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Title: Rare Neuroendocrine Tumor of the Bladder: A Case Report.

Journal: Cureus

STUDENTS PUBLICATIONS

Juan Casellas

Title: Classification of Inaccurate Information about Prostate Cancer on Social Media in English and Spanish.

Journal: European Urology Oncology

Corally López

Title: Understanding Generative Artificial Intelligence Adoption in Puerto Rican Medical Schools: A Cross-Institutional Survey of First-and Second-Year Students.

Journal: Journal of Medical Education and Curricular Development

Gonzalo F. Del Río Montesinos

Title: Management of Cervical lateral mass fractures - A systematic review.

Journal: Injury

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Title: Recurrent deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism in a patient with May-Thurner syndrome presenting as low back pain and radiculopathy.

Journal: BMS Care Reports

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Title: Retinal Degeneration and Visual Outcomes in Patients with Bardet-Biedl Syndrome: Genotypic Influences From a Caribbean Cohort.

Journal: Cureus

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Title: What Proportion of Patients Treated with Calcium Phosphate and Calcium Sulfate Bone Substitutes for Benign Pediatric Bone Tumors Develop Recurrent Lesions?.

Journal: Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research

Sebastián J. Vázquez & Gabriel A. Jiménez

Title: Rituximab-Based Management of Autoimmune Blistering Diseases: A Case Series Highlighting Ocular and Systemic Presentations.

Journal: Cureus

Eduardo J. Ruiz

Title: From Burnout to Balance: The Role of Peer-Assisted Learning in College Life.

Journal: BMC Medical Education

Itzamar Pastrana & Alicia Báez

Title: Acne in adulthood: A cross-sectional study of contributing hormonal, dietary, and environmental factors in adults in Puerto Rico.

Journal: JAAD International

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Title: Temporal trends in the incidence of obesity-associated cancers in Puerto Rico, 2000-2022: Disproportionate increases among young adults.

Journal: American Association for Cancer Research.

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Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

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Title: Intergenerational Effects of the Mother's History of Neglect and Parental Bonding on Her Postpartum Bonding: A Pilot Study.

Journal: Child Psychiatry & Human Development

Itzamar Pastrana, Alicia Báez, Alejandro Pinilla

Title: Non-neoplastic cutaneous manifestations of HIV infection in patients from a community-based clinic in Puerto Rico.

Journal: Ponce Health Sciences University Scientific Journal

Jeevan Rivera & Sofía Laguna

Title: Cutaneous Metastatic Lesions as a Rare Manifestation of Colorectal Adenocarcinoma: A Case Report.

Journal: Cureus

Andrea Fábregas

Title: The Role of C-Terminal Crosslinking Telopeptide of Type II Collagen (CTX-II) after Anterior Cruciate Ligament Reconstruction: A Systematic Review.

Journal: Cureus

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Title: Atypical Mpox Presentation with Proctitis in a Puerto Rican Patient: A Case Report.

Journal: Cureus

Pamela Rodríguez, Fabiola Colón, Armeliz Romero, Fabiola Umpierre, Paola Roig, Aitor González, Tiffany Rosa, Laura Santiago, Ana Martínez, Gerson Santiago, James Llorens, Jordan Acevedo.

Title: Modulating Post-Stroke Inflammation with FDA-Approved Immunotherapies: A Literature Review.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences

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Title: Scoliosis in Escobar Syndrome: Retrospective Review of Surgical Outcomes, Risks, and Radiographic Patterns.

Journal: Journal of Pediatric Orthopaedics

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Title: Implementation of a Specialty-Focused Musculoskeletal Service in a Medical Student-Run Free Clinic in Puerto Rico.

Journal: Cureus

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Title: A Rare Case of Levetiracetam-Induced Hemolytic Anemia

Journal: Cureus

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Title: Vertebral Artery Injury Following Cervical Disc Arthroplasty - A Systematic Review.

Journal: Journal of Clinical Sciences

Camila Pagán Melvin

Title: Clinical Validation of a CRX Variant Leading to a Cone-Rod Dystrophy.

Journal: Cureus

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Title: Biomarkers Associated with Extranodal Extension (ENE) in Oropharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma (OPSCC): A Systematic Review.

Journal: Journal of the Sciences and Specialties of the Head and Neck

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Title: Severe Progression of Scoliosis Beyond Skeletal Maturity in Partial Trisomy 13: A Case Report Expanding the Phenotypic Spectrum.

Journal: Cureus

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Title: Post-Transcriptional Size-Dependent Expression of the Fission Yeast Cdc13 Cyclin.

Journal: bioRxiv

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Title: Educational Impact of First-Year Medical Students in a Carceral Facility: A Transformative Community Service.

Journal: Health Promotion Practice

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Title: Molecular Regulation of HIV-1 Expression and Persistence Across Diverse Cellular Reservoirs.

Journal: International Journal of Molecular Sciences.

Jayson Cotto, Ángel Carrero, Luis Barreto, Alejandra Acevedo, Corally López.

Title: Health Insurance and Trauma Outcomes: The Impact of Coverage on Survival and Recovery in Craniomaxillofacial Injuries.

Journal: Cureus

Andrea Fábregas, Gonzalo F. Del Río, Andrea Vázquez, Nelson Molina, David Vázquez

Title: Cost-effectiveness and evidence gaps of advanced technologies in lumbar spine surgery: a scoping review.

Journal: Journal of Spine Surgery

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Title: Perspectives From Care Seekers and Non-Care Seekers on Challenges and Recommendations to Improve Dermatologic Care in Puerto Rico.

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Title: Positive predictors of hip mosaicplasty outcomes: a systematic review and meta-analysis with knee comparison.
Journal: Annals of Joint

Lorena Delgado
Title: Risk of malignancy after diagnosis of radial sclerosing lesion without atypia.
Journal: Breast Cancer Research and Treatment

Jan Carlos Urban
Title: Surgical management of the airway in Jarcho-Levin syndrome: a case series.
Journal: Journal of Surgical Case Reports

Coral Martes
Title: Cutaneous melanocytic tumor with CRTC1::TRIM11 fusion in an adolescent: A case report and focused literature review of reported pediatric cases
Journal: JAAD Case Reports

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Title: Paget's Disease of the Spine as a Catalyst for Osteosarcoma: A Narrative Review.
Journal: Cureus

Sofía Laguna & Jeevan Rivera
Title: Innovations in Refractory Melasma: Mechanism-Based Management and Emerging Therapeutic Strategies.
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Title: Time-and Dose-Dependent PSP-Induced Modulation of Antiviral Signaling Networks in CD4+ T Cells.
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ASSMCA - Dr. Ibis Carrión

NIH - STTR - Dr. Michelle M. Martínez

PCORI - Dr. Lyliana Crespo & Dr. Diana M. Fernández

NIH - R16 Renewal - Dr. Michelle M. Martínez

NIH - R15 - Subaward UPR Aguadilla - Dr. Michelle M. Martínez

U.S. Department of Education - FIPSE - Dr. William Félix

PRSTRT - Catalyzer Research Grant - Dr. Yuriy Kucheryavykh

Alliance Pilot Project -Dr. Bárbara Riestra

Alliance Developmental Project Program -Dr. Lyliana Crespo

NIH - R25 Bridge Program - Prof. Gilberto Alemán

American Cancer Society - EDS Acelerator -Dr. Michelle M. Martínez

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GRANTS AWARDED

July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

The Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies
is pleased to announce and celebrate
Dr. Calvo's success in obtaining a new grant.

CONGRATULATIONS!

UCC ADDICTION MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP
PI: DR. ANDRÉS CALVO
HRSA - 1T25HP54966-01-00
07/01/2025 - 06/30/2030

> The primary objective of the UCC Addiction Medicine Fellowship Program is to increase the number of board-certified addiction medicine (AM) specialists by expanding available training slots and offering financial incentives in the form of stipends.

This initiative will strengthen formal collaborations with underserved, community-based settings to ensure that children, adolescents, young adults, and pregnant/postpartum women receive specialized care. The program also aims to enhance training for UCC faculty and students, fostering an infrastructure of skills and expertise that supports fellows in delivering comprehensive substance use disorder (SUD) prevention, treatment, and recovery services within integrated, interprofessional teams.

Additionally, the fellowship will contribute to ongoing research efforts aimed at advancing knowledge in the prevention, management, and treatment of opioid use disorder (OUD) and other SUDs in underserved communities.



DR. ANDRÉS CALVO



The Office of the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies is pleased to announce and celebrate the renewal grant.

**THE ALLIANCE FOR CLINICAL
& TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH**



CONGRATULATIONS!

> Grant Number: P50GM133807
Period: 8/15/2025 - 6/30/2030

The Alliance for Clinical and Translational Research (Alliance), which is funded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), consolidates an integrated clinical and translational research network in Puerto Rico.

The Alliance is a collaborative effort led by the RCM-UPR, under the direction of the principal investigators Dr. Evangelia Morou, from the UPR School of Dental Medicine, and Dr. Valerie Wojna from the UPR School of Medicine, and the program directors, Dr. Diana M. Fernández from UCC and Dr. Pedro Santiago from PHSU.

The Alliance includes specialized units to support research, such as Research Design and Data Management, Professional Development, Community Outreach, Clinical and Technology Resources for Research, and Clinical Research.



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Research Support Services Available



*Advancing Health through
Collaboration, Innovation and
Research Excellence.*

OUR SERVICES



OUR MISSION

To strengthen and expand Clinical & Translational research to improve health outcomes across communities in Puerto Rico.



RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

Study design & compliance, budget & REDCap support, statistical and data management services.



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Pilot & Development Projects
Collaborative Projects
Community and Academic Partnerships Projects



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

GROW-PR NETWORK
Community Forums



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Webinars & workshops
Mentor-Mentee Program



FACILITIES AND RESOURCES

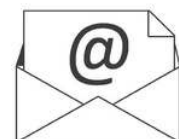
Clinical Research Units
Laboratories
Volunteer Registry & Biorepositories

OUR GOALS

- **Infrastructure & Resources:**
Expand the island-wide research network and shared resources.
- **Research Development**
Support interdisciplinary research that addresses local and national health challenges
- **Community Health Innovation:**
Engage academia, healthcare, and communities in impactful research partnerships.



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Upcoming Events



About the K or R Ambassador Cohorts

The K or R Ambassador Cohorts is an initiative from the Investigator Development Pipeline Program (IDPP) within the Professional Development Core of the Alliance for Clinical and Translational Research. During the 2026–2027 program period, the K Ambassador Cohort will consist of 11 biweekly online sessions, while the R Ambassador Cohort will consist of 9 biweekly online sessions. Both cohorts are designed to prepare participants to develop and submit competitive applications for NIH Career Development (K) Awards or Research Project (R) Awards.

Who Should Apply?



Faculty with academic rank, clinical fellows or postdoctoral fellows in an Academic or Research Institution in PR



At least one first-authored, peer-reviewed paper on the research topic



Plan to submit K- or R-series grant within 6-12 months



Commitment to biweekly Thursday sessions (Aug 27, 2026 - Jan 14, 2027)

Ambassador Cohorts' Facilitators

- ✓ Joan M. Lakoski, PhD, Director of Professional Development, West Virginia Clinical and Translational Science (WVCTSI), West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV
- ✓ Robert J. Milner, PhD, Professor of Neurology, UMass Chan Medical School, Worcester, MA

Benefits

Boost Writing Skills

Expert grant writing guidance

Presentations

Didactic sessions & collaboration

Peer Feedback

Reviews from peers & leaders

Mock Study Section

Practice with guest reviewers

Important Dates

- **Aug 10, 2026** - Applications close 6:00pm
- **Aug 12-14, 2026** - Notification of selection
- **Aug 27/Sep 3, 2026** - Cohorts K/R start

APPLY TODAY!

Scan the QR code to learn more about the requirements and submit your application.



Program supported by the Investigator Development Pipeline Program (IDPP) of the Alliance Professional Development Core through the NIH-NIGMS Award No. 2P50GM133807.

Upcoming Events

A MORE HUMAN APPROACH TO CARE



Strategies for managing dementia, pain, and controlled substance use

Designed for primary care physicians, specialists, and allied health professionals, this event unveils the invisible clinical triangle: pain, cognition, and substance use.

Elevate your practice with actionable strategies, an interdisciplinary perspective, and powerful tools to drive better clinical outcomes.

- ✓ Enhance your clinical decision-making
- ✓ Apply safe and effective pain management strategies
- ✓ Strengthen interdisciplinary collaboration
- ✓ Boost treatment adherence
- ✓ Integrate human-centered approaches in care

For details, visit:



August 21, 2026
8:00 am - 4:30 pm



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Upcoming Events



DIRIGIDO A:

- ✓ Profesionales de la salud
- ✓ Investigadores
- ✓ Residentes internos
- ✓ Estudiantes graduados
- ✓ Y demás profesionales

EJES TEMÁTICOS

- Salud mental del adulto mayor
- Soledad y aislamiento social
- Deterioro cognitivo y demencias
- Evaluación neuropsicológica
- Modelos de atención integral
- Determinantes sociales de la salud
- Transición del cuidado y continuidad posthospitalaria

CATEGORÍAS

- Investigación original
- Experiencias clínicas
- Proyectos de mejoramiento de la calidad
- Innovación en la prestación de servicios de salud

RECONOCIMIENTOS

- ★ Mejor Póster Científico
- ★ Mejor Trabajo de Residencia o Internado
- ★ Premio al Impacto Clínico

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