



Giannini earns UC Presidential Medal of Graduate Student Excellence

Courtney Giannini, a Ph.D. candidate in the Division of Epidemiology and a mentee of CEG Director Susan M. Pinney, Ph.D., F.A.C.E., has been awarded this year's University of Cincinnati **Presidential Medal of Graduate Student Excellence**. Giannini has worked closely with Dr. Pinney and other CEG members while engaged in UC's Medical Scientist Training Program

(MSTP), using data and biospecimens from the CEG puberty cohort study. The Presidential Medal of Graduate Student Excellence is a great honor, and 2019 represents the third year in a row that a UC College of Medicine graduate student has won this award. Earlier in April and in preparation for her dissertation defense, Courtney presented on "The Association of Pre-Pubertal Benzophenone-3 Exposure with Peri-pubertal Sex Hormones and Age at Pubertal Outcomes in a Cohort of Young Females" (2019 Apr 11, DEH Division of Epidemiology Thursday Seminar Series). Now in her 5th year of the Medical Scientist Training Program, Courtney completed 2 years of medical school before taking a leave of absence to complete 3 years of graduate study in the Division of Epidemiology. She will finish her dissertation work in June and then return to medical school for 2 years before entering Residency training. To read more about Courtney and what animates her success in the MSTP, click [here](#).

Kasper Elected Vice President of Society for Basic Urologic Research

CEG member and UC Professor of Environmental Health [Susan Kasper, Ph.D.](#), has been elected vice president of the Society for Basic Urologic Research (SBUR). Kasper will serve as vice president and president-elect for 2019-2020 and as SBUR president from 2020 to 2021.



SBUR is a U.S.-based basic urologic research society affiliated with the American Urology Association. Members include basic and clinical/surgeon scientists from academia, industry and government with expertise in molecular and developmental biology, oncology, immunology, epidemiology, andrology, biochemistry, bioinformatics and clinical urology. Research areas cover urologic cancers, benign diseases, developmental biology, kidney and bladder function, urologic autoimmune, infectious and neurologic diseases, male reproductive biology, infertility and erectile dysfunction.

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May 7, Room 121 Kettering

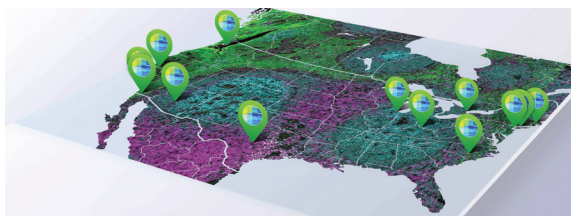
Laboratory Bldg. Speaking

on site: Jenny Kachergus

and Aubrey Thompson,

PhD, Mayo Clinic. Register at

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