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UW-Madison Summer Program for Undergraduate Urology Research

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Summer Program for Undergraduate Urology Research (SPUUR) announces the 2026 annual summer student research jamboree. The CAIRIBU Interactions Core, the coordinating center for the CAIRIBU research community, organizes and hosts the event.

Wednesday, July 29, 2026
Zoom, 1:30-3:45 PM EDT
(12:30 PM Central | 10:30 PM Pacific)

PROGRAM *(times listed are in Eastern Time zone)*

1:30 PM **Welcome** ***Kristina Penniston, PhD,*** Distinguished Scientist, Department of Urology, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, Co-PI of the UW-Madison Summer Program for Undergraduate Urology Research, and PI of the CAIRIBU Interactions Core

STUDENTS' PRESENTATIONS *(times listed are in Eastern Time zone)*

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STUDENT	SUMMER INST	MENTOR
Aryan Ghotra	Columbia	**Jonathan Barasch, MD, PhD** (Columbia University Medical Center, Division of Nephrology)
Sarah Altabakha	UW-Madison	**Chad Vezina, PhD** (UW School of Veterinary Medicine, Comparative Biosciences)
Alex Jeon	Stanford University	**Alexandra Polasko, PhD** (Stanford University School of Medicine, Dept of Urology)
Elena Ricke	UW-Madison	**Joan Neuner, MD, MPH** (UW School of Medicine & Public Health, Dept of Medicine)

*** Comments, Q&A……

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Eugene Miller	Columbia	**Anne-Catrin Uhlemann, MD, PhD** (Columbia University Medical Center, Division of Infectious Diseases)
Grace Booher	UW-Madison	**Johanna Hannan, PhD** (UW School of Medicine & Public Health, Dept of Urology)
Arin Vansomphone	Stanford University	**Alexandra Polasko, PhD** (Stanford University School of Medicine, Dept of Urology)
Abby Robson	UW-Madison	**Lauren Baker, PhD, DVM** (UW-Madison College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, Animal & Dairy Sciences)

*** Comments, Q&A……

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Morgan Grant	Columbia	**Anne-Catrin Uhlemann, MD, PhD** (Columbia University Medical Center, Division of Infectious Diseases)
Arna Dhar	UW-Madison	**William Ricke, PhD** (UW School of Medicine & Public Health, Dept of Urology)
Ilse Ness	UW-Madison	**Kim Stietz, PhD** (UW School of Veterinary Medicine, Comparative Biosciences)
Jaechan Yoon	UW-Madison	**Lauren Baker, PhD, DVM** (UW-Madison College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, Animal & Dairy Sciences)

*** Comments, Q&A……

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Alan Paul	Columbia	**Nick Steers, PhD** (Columbia University Medical Center, Division of Nephrology)
Akhil Nelapolu	UW-Madison	**William Ricke, PhD** (UW School of Medicine & Public Health, Dept of Urology)
Karina Tapia	UW-Madison	**Vinaya Bhatia, MD** (UW School of Medicine & Public Health, Dept of Urology)
Rachel Ireland	UW-Madison	**LaTasha Crawford, PhD, VMD, DACVP** (UW School of Veterinary Medicine, Dept of Pathobiological Sciences)

*** Comments, Q&A……

3:40 PM **Closing remarks**