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## NEWSLETTER #39

ניתן למצוא ניוזלטרים קודמים בעברית [כאן](#).

April 12-25, 2021

ל' ניסן – י"ג אייר התשפ"א



*Lag B'Omer will be celebrated a day early this year, on Thursday April 29, 2021.*

### COMING UP: TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL!

The Azrieli Faculty of Medicine Teddy Bear Hospital is back!

Last year, 2020, this community-wide annual event was unfortunately unable to take place, due to Corona. This year, we will be online, thanks again to the generosity of Freddie Zinger who has made this unique hand-on interactive learning experience possible.

Children of pre-school and elementary school ages are invited to register with their parents ([here](#)), to tell us a bit about what ails their teddy bears and/or dolls – and receive online treatment by our expert team of specialists led by dedicated doctors and medical school students.

The online event – an opportunity aimed at reducing stress and alleviating fears that children may have about hospitals, doctors, and medical care in general – will be held in Hebrew on Monday May 3, 2021 from 5PM to 7:30 PM.

For a short explanatory video, click [here](#). To see a past event, click [here](#).

We hope you will join us!



## AZRIELI AND THE COMMUNITY

The Azrieli Faculty of Medicine prides itself on its excellent research and education. But what sets us apart is that community involvement is equally a top priority. Dr. Sivan Spitzer-Shohat, Head of Population Health Education, has shared with us some important recent developments.



Dr. Spitzer-Shohat hosted a regional gathering at the Faculty on April 12, 2021. She spoke about the Faculty and its community involvement, including the new diabetes SPHERE program. Sixteen municipal health promoters from across the Galilee attended.

She was also invited to write a paper for the AcademyHealth Paradigm Project, on the future of health services research. The paper, "Unbounding a Discipline to Bind Innovative Change: A New Paradigm for Health Services Research," can be viewed here.

And she adds, "I am leading a new cooperation with Shenkar in which design students are thinking of solutions to improve the patient journey basing their solutions on medical students' ETGAR [home visits after hospital discharge] experiences. They presented their preliminary ideas before continuing to prototype development."

## RARE BLOOD DONATION DRIVE, THANKS TO DR. AMIR KUPERMAN

Dr. Amir Kuperman of the Galilee Medical Center, an affiliated hospital, has shared with us an article that was published locally on April 23, 2021 about a special blood donation drive that recently took place for a young boy in the north who suffers from a rare blood disease. Nineteen units were collected, allowing two other patients to benefit from the drive. The blood type is so rare that Magen David Adom was unable to supply the necessary units. The patient is being treated by Dr. Kuperman who praised the organization and success of the drive.



## SEMINARS

- Special Seminar: AI Boosted Molecular MRI (Dr. Or Perlman, hosted by Prof. David Karasik)
- Upcoming Special Seminar: Objectivity in medical policy-making: an Israeli case study of how ethical ideals shape healthcare (Dr. Yael Assor, hosted by Dr. Miri Bentwich)

## REMINDER: ONLINE MEDICAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP FOR CLINICAL INSTRUCTORS

Prof. Peter Gilbey's five online workshops (in Hebrew) for clinical teachers, aimed at improving medical education, continue. Topics covered:

- March 22 and April 5, 2021 - "The clinical teacher"
- April 12 and April 26, 2021 - "Optimal learning environment and setting clear educational goals"
- May 5 and May 24, 2021 - "Clinical teaching models"
- May 31 and June 14, 2021 - "Teaching professionalism and effective feedback"
- June 21 and June 28, 2021 - "Student evaluation in a clinical setting"



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## WEBSITE: WHAT'S NEW? (MEDICINE.BIU.AC.IL/EN )

## אתר הפקולטה

Publications (<https://medicine.biu.ac.il/en/research-news>) פרסומי מחקר

Reminder that publications by Azrieli faculty are generally posted in chronological order based on publication date, per PubMed listings. **If you have published an article recently that appears on PubMed but that was not listed in a Newsletter, I apologize, and please do let me know.**

- Wisam Sbeit, Tawfik Khoury, Anas Kadah, Amir Shahin, Asher Shafrir, Itai Kalisky, Wadi Hazou, Lior Katz, Amir Mari: Nonattendance to gastroenterologist follow-up after discharge is associated with a thirty-days re-admission in patients with inflammatory bowel disease: a multicenter study (Minerva Med. )
- Alon Barash: Sexual dimorphism of the posterior cervical spine muscle attachments (J Anat .)



- Orly Avni: Extracellular Vesicles: Schistosomal Long-Range Precise Weapon to Manipulate the Immune Response (Front Cell Infect Microbiol .)
- Adnan Zaina, Yuval Grober, Ali Abid, Eldad Arad, Elena Golden, Samih Badarny: Sodium glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitors treatment in acromegalic patients with diabetes-a case series and literature review (Endocrine .)
- Wisam Sbeit, Amir Mari, Tawfik Khoury: When and whom to scope in case of gastrointestinal bleeding in the COVID-19 era? (Minerva Gastroenterol (Torino) .)
- Tatiana Smolkin, Eric S Shinwell: Neonatal SARS-CoV-2 Infections in Breastfeeding Mothers (Pediatrics .)
- Dana Binyamin, Orna Nitzan, Maya Azrad, Zohar Hamo, Omry Koren, Avi Peretz: The microbial diversity following antibiotic treatment of Clostridioides difficile infection (BMC Gastroenterol .)
- Yarden Greental Ness, Amir A Kuperman: Improved transplant outcomes with myeloablative conditioning for hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis in HLA-matched and mismatched donors: a national multicenter retrospective study (Bone Marrow Transplant .)
- Daniel Oren, Amiel A Dror, Tania Bramnik, Eyal Sela, Igal Granot, Samer Srouji: The power of three-dimensional printing technology in functional restoration of rare maxillomandibular deformity due to genetic disorder: a case report (J Med Case Rep.)
- Inshirah Sgayer, Karina Naskovica, Raneen Abu Shaqara, Marwan Odeh, Jacob Bornstein, Maya Frank Wolf: Early planned labor induction vs expectant management in late preterm pre-labor rupture of membranes: maternal and neonatal outcome (Ginekol Pol .)
- Khalaf Kridin: Editorial: Skin Autoimmunity (Front Immunol .)
- Alon Barash, Nomy Dickman, David Karasik: Educating future doctors in Covid-19 times: Anatomists lead the way! (Anat Sci Educ .)
- Dalit Porat Ben Amy, Victoria Yaffe, Imad Abu El-Naaj; Oral myopericytoma: a rare pediatric case report and a review of the literature (BMC Oral Health .)
- Nimer Assy: A Phase 2 Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Trial of MHAA4549A, a Monoclonal Antibody, plus Oseltamivir in Patients Hospitalized with Severe Influenza A Virus Infection (Antimicrob Agents Chemother .)

Faculty News (<https://medicine.biu.ac.il/en/faculty-news>)

חדשות הפקולטה

- [Commemorating the Fallen: Azrieli Faculty Commemorates Yom HaZikaron](#)



- [Dr. Milana Frenkel-Morgenstern Receives Rector's Award for Scientific Innovation](#)
- [Certificates of Appreciation Awarded to Clinical Instructors, Galilee Medical Center](#)



Faculty Exposure (<https://medicine.biu.ac.il/en/media>) [חשיפה במדיה באנגלית](#)

- [theepochtimes: To Heal Body and Soul: A visit to the Azrieli Faculty of Medicine in Tsfat, northern Israel \(by Geoffrey Clarfield\)](#)



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