



# PERIODIC UPDATE #16

Period of April 27- May 10, 2020

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Hope you managed to celebrate Israel Independence Day!

מקווה שהצלחתם לחגוג את יום העצמאות!



## Corona Virus COVID19 קורונה

Opening page now has [link](#) to the health declaration necessary for daily entrance to campus, for easy access.

Urgent updates can be posted on the English Faculty of Medicine landing page –  
**FEEL FREE TO SEND ME INFORMATION IF/AS NECESSARY.**

## Recent Appointment at the Faculty מנוי חדש

The Faculty welcomes Prof. Chaim Putterman who has been appointed Associate Dean for Research and Director of the Research Institute at GMC in Naharia. He joins us from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Montefiore Medical Center (Bronx, New York). His major research interests are in the field of immunology and autoimmune diseases, and specifically the identification and characterization of novel mechanisms, biomarkers, and treatment approaches to immune mediated nephritis, neuropsychiatric lupus, and systemic lupus erythematosus.



## Russell-Berrie Foundation Support

Under the direction of Dr. Sivan Spitzer-Shohat, head of population health education at the Faculty, the Russell-Berrie Foundation has committed to supporting a bio-psycho-social health platform to address the risk and adverse effects of COVID-19 in the Galilee. The trained cadre of students will not only assist in immediate Corona pneumonitis screening, but the unique community tailored partnership-based 360-degree response will deepen the unique commitment and partnership that exists between the Azrieli Faculty and its partners in the Galilee ecosystem. In short, it will serve as a long-term platform for educating medical students and improving health in the Galilee. See Times of Israel article, [here](#).

## Website: What's New? (medicine.biu.ac.il/en) אתר הפקולטה

### Media Exposure (<https://medicine.biu.ac.il/en/media>) –not social media pages חשיפה במדיה

- Dr. Moshe Dessau quoted in Times of Israel article: Israel will soon be able to test hundreds of thousands daily, scientist claims, [here](#).
- Times of Israel article on student involvement: Galilee struggles with coronavirus fallout; mobilizes student doctors, [here](#).

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

*Reminder that publications by Azrieli faculty are posted in chronological order based on publication date, per PubMed listings.*

- Routine Uterine Culture Swab During Cesarean Section and Its Clinical Correlations: A Retrospective Comparative Study (Eur J Obstet Gynecol Reprod Biol .)

- Tomer Meirson: Immunotherapy With Programmed Cell Death 1 vs Programmed Cell Death Ligand 1 Inhibitors in Patients With Cancer (JAMA Oncol.)
- Avi Benov, Elon Glassberg: The Israel Defense Forces Trauma Registry: 22 years of point-of-injury data. (J Trauma Acute Care Surg.)
- Shaul Atar: An invited commentary on "The socio-economic implications of the coronavirus and COVID-19 pandemic: A review" (Int J Surg.)
- Karl Skorecki, Zaher Armaly: Reply to Letter to the Editor: "Don't judge too RASHly: the multifaceted role of the renin-angiotensin system and its therapeutic potential in COVID-19" (Am J Physiol Lung Cell Mol Physiol.)
- Karl Skorecki, Zaher Armaly: Reply to Letter to the Editor: "COVID-19: is the ACE2 just a foe?" (Am J Physiol Lung Cell Mol Physiol.)
- Bedside score predicting retained common bile duct stone in acute biliary pancreatitis (World J Clin Cases.)
- Chaim Putterman: Cell-bound complement activation products associate with lupus severity in SLE. (Lupus Sci Med.)
- Chylous ascites as a late complication of one anastomosis gastric bypass-minigastric bypass: case report. (BMC Surg.)
- A unusual case of multifocal pyogenic abscess formation following ERCP procedure. (BMC Surg.)
- The Role of Pre-Operative Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio in Predicting Post Bariatric Surgery Related Complications. (Isr Med Assoc J.)
- Anas Kadah, Tawfik Khoury, Wisam Sbeit: Early Buried Bumper Syndrome Treated by Bedside Replacement: Report of Two Cases and Review of Literature (Isr Med Assoc J.)
- Gassan Moady, Elias Daud, Shaul Atar: Pericardial Effusion in a Young Man: A Rare Presentation of Thymoma. (Isr Med Assoc J. )
- Deepak Kumar Khajuria, David Karasik: Novel model of restricted mobility induced osteopenia in zebrafish (J Fish Biol.)

## Student Life חיים סטודנטיאליים

- Pre-clinical studies continue online.
- Clinical studies are to resume in the hospitals and clinics.
- Last-year students will not be returning, rather, preparing for national exams in internal medicine, pediatrics, and surgery. We wish them success.

Other details can be found on the Student Union Facebook page, [here](#).

## Staff Activities פעילות צוות

Special thanks to Noam Reshelbach and Yehiel Dahan who have made sure to place foot-activated Alcogel dispensers in strategic locations at the Safed campus. Reminder that all who wish to enter Bar-Ilan University campuses must sign a daily health declaration and have their body temperature measured by the guard.

## Misc וכו' מ

- Twitter: see Dean Medicine Bar-Ilan (@IlanDean) for Tweets.



**Please remember to update me/us on matters not profiled here (Alissa.burstein@biu.ac.il)!**

**Pictures/videos and anecdotes always welcome!**

**Feel free to forward this update.**