



PERIODIC UPDATE #17

Period of May 11 - 25, 2020

י"ז אייר – ב' סיון תש"ף

Lag B'Omer and Yom Yerushalayim were celebrated these past two weeks.

Corona Virus COVID19

קורונה

Reminders:

- [Opening page](#) 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 [opening page](#)
- FEEL FREE TO SEND ME RELEVANT INFORMATION TO POST

Student Life

חיים סטודנטיאליים

Students and staff are slowly getting back to routine, albeit a new routine:

- **Clinical studies** continue to take place in the affiliated hospitals and the community. Though often challenging, the educational management, directed by Prof. Johnny Younis, vice dean of clinical studies, is working very hard and collaborating with colleagues to make this happen, while complying with Ministry of Health guidelines and restrictions. Some clinical studies may continue through September.
- Prof. Daniel Glikman, vice dean of pre-clinical studies, has shared that this year, the Physiology (Bioenergetics) course has been taught for the first time via the "**Flipped Classroom**" method, with much success. Prof. Karl Skorecki chose this course to be the "pilot" Flipped Classroom course. In this method, students receive online material for self-study, and come to class to review and practice what they had learned. The Faculty, especially the course coordinators, dedicated much effort to making this a success, and they believe that the material was learned by the students very well. Prof. Eric Shinwell, associate dean of medical education, has voiced that we should learn from this experience, for future classes at the Faculty. Dean Skorecki applauded all those who made this possible, having taken a "calculated risk" – and ultimately succeeding in their efforts.
- Students participating in the Russell Berrie Foundation-funded community [project](#), are learning how to use and benefit from new small, portable, and very user-friendly **Point of Care Ultrasound (POCUS)**. Pictured here.
- **Upcoming exams:** Entrance, national, OSCE (tests clinical skill performance and competence in a range of skills. A hands-on, real-world approach to learning and assessment.)

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



Dedication of New Building, חנוכת הבית, בנין חדש

On May 19, 2020 the **new “Ziv” building** was dedicated. Dr. Sivan Spitzer Shohat and Dr. Limor Meoded Danon have moved in; new researchers will join them in the future. Pictured here.



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 posted in chronological order based on publication date, per PubMed listings.

- Assi Drobot , Ibrahim Abu Shakra, Fahed Merei, Kamal Khatib, Amitai Bickel, Samer Ganam, Grigori Bogouslavski, Nour Karra, Badran Mahran, Walid Kassis, Leonid Kogan, Denis Drobot, Michael Weiss, Eli Kakiashvili: Microsurgery for Management of Primary and Secondary Lymphedema: First Experience in Israel (J Vasc Surg Venous Lymphat Disord .)
- Shaul Atar: Subcutaneous Selatogrel Inhibits Platelet Aggregation in Patients With Acute Myocardial Infarction (J Am Coll Cardiol .)
- Tawfik Khoury, Anas Kadah, Amir Mari, Wisam Sbeit: Predictors of Endoscopic Intervention in Upper Gastrointestinal Bleeding Patients Hospitalized for Another Illness: A Multi-Center Retrospective Study (Panminerva Med .)
- Doron Sagi, Sivan Spitzer-Shohat, Mary Catharine Joy Rudolf: Learning Social Determinants of Health Through a Home Visiting Course in the Clinical Years (Patient Educ Couns .)
- Andrei Braester, Jacob Bornstein, Andrei Zverev, Yvgeny Kukuyev, Masad Barhoum: Reassessment of Venous Thromboembolism Risk and Prophylaxis in Postdelivery Period of Healthy Women (Am J Med Sci .)
- Johnny S. Younis, Karl Skorecki: Is there an impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on male fertility? The ACE2 connection. (Am J Physiol Endocrinol Metab.)
- A novel, extended prophylactic antibiotic regimen in preterm pre-labor rupture of membranes: a randomized trial (Int J Infect Dis.) (Maya Frank Wolf, Inshirah Sgayer, Amir Krencel, Vered Fleisher Sheffer, David Peleg, Inbar Ben Shachar, Hagai Rechnitzer and Jacob Bornstein)
- Nadav Graif, Said Abozaid, Avi Peretz: Trends in Distribution and Antibiotic Resistance of Bacteria Isolated from Urine Cultures of Children in Northern Israel Between 2010 and 2017. (Microb Drug Resist.)
- Early prediction of methotrexate treatment outcome in tubal ectopic pregnancy based on days 0 and 4 human chorionic gonadotropin levels (J Obstet Gynaecol Res.) (Noy Shatkin Hamish, Maya Wolf, Rene Tendler, Avishalom Sharon, Jacob Bornstein, Marwan Odeh)
- Tomer Talmy, Hino Bayan, Elad Mazor, Ehsan Nasser, Anthony Luder: Cytomegalovirus Enterocolitis After Breastmilk Transmission. (J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr.)
- Natalia Volinsky, Liza Grosman-Rimon, Offer Amir: Differential expression of microRNA in serum fractions and association of Argonaute 1 microRNAs with heart failure. (J Cell Mol Med.)
- Daniel Glikman: Characterization of Congenital Toxoplasmosis in Israel: A 17-year Nationwide Study Experience. (Pediatr Infect Dis J.)
- Yair Heskiav Shteinberg, Netanel Eisenbach, Eyal Sela, Maayan Gruber & Ohad Ronen: Translation and cultural adaptation of the Hebrew version of the Pediatric Sleep Questionnaire: a prospective, non-randomized control trial.)

- May Weinberg, Jacob Bornstein: Evaluation of human papilloma virus in semen as a risk factor for low sperm quality and poor in vitro fertilization outcomes: a systematic review and meta-analysis (Fertil Steril.)
- Cardiac surgery in patients with Hemophilia: is it safe? (J Cardiothorac Surg.) (Amjad Shalabi, Erez Kachel, Liza Grosman-Rimon, Ronny Ben-Avi, Diab Ghanem)

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

חדשות הפקולטה

In addition to the Times of Israel [article](#), see the short write-up "Russell Berrie Foundation Supports Azrieli Students in the Fight Against Corona" on our site, [here](#).

Picture Gallery (<https://medicine.biu.ac.il/en/album/2691>)

גלריית תמונות

New pictures *Coping With Corona - Students in the field, with Russell Berrie Foundation support (May 2020)* were uploaded [here](#).

Recent Appointment at the Faculty מנוי חדש

Prof. Michael Edelstein of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine will be joining the Azrieli Faculty of Medicine in October 2020. Prof. Edelstein has extensively researched the Ebola virus and is considered a world leader in health policy, vaccines, and the containment of epidemics. Welcome!



Upcoming Events at the Faculty בקרוב אצלנו

- **White Coat** ceremony for four-year track students (June)
- **Outstanding instructor** ceremonies (Ziv, Poria, Nazareth hospitals and Mazor) via Zoom (June)
- **Outstanding instructor** ceremony (Azrieli researchers), June
- **BIU Open Day** via Zoom, including lecture "Survivor in the Season of Corona - Who Will Win Immunity" by Dr. Moshe Dessau and Dr. Meital Gal-Tanamy (June)
- **MD conferment** ceremony has been postponed a few months

Cancellations

ביטולים

- Unfortunately, the annual Teddy Bear Hospital will not be able to take place this year.
- Seminars remain cancelled.



Misc

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- 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.