

Meeting report: The Kentucky Physiological Society is a nonprofit organization that aims to foster education, research and outreach in the physiological sciences. It was established as a chapter of the American Physiological Society in 2012, and held its 4th annual meeting at the University of Kentucky Medical Center on March 24, 2016. One hundred people attended from regional universities (Jefferson County Community College, University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky, University of Louisville, Bellarmine University, Sullivan University, DuPont Manual High School). There were 44 posters, including 18 from undergraduate students. The program included three plenary lectures by Drs. Moriel Vandsburger (U. Kentucky), Cynthia Metz (University of Louisville), and Mary Huff (Bellarmine University), and three presentations from undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral trainees that were chosen from the submitted abstracts. These trainees were also the recipients of the KY-APS awards: Hannah Maddox (senior Human Nutrition major at UK), Dr. Pankaj Chaturvedi (postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Physiology and Biophysics, University of Louisville), and Cheavar Blair (graduate student, UK Department of Physiology). The program concluded with a judged poster session and an awards ceremony recognizing the best posters in four categories: high school (4 awards), undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral trainees.