

CMSR Trainees Receive New Investigator Recognition Awards (NIRA) at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Orthopaedic Research Society (ORS)

The New Investigator Recognition Awards (NIRA) are presented to ten trainees during the ORS Annual Meeting for their work as graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. The NIRA competition commences with an open call for scientific abstract submitted for presentation at the ORS Annual Meeting. The top 40 scoring abstracts are selected for oral podium and poster presentations, and the 10 best presentation are awarded NIRAs, which includes a \$500 cash prize. This year two CMSR trainees received NIRAs. Dr. Masahiro Ishikawa, who is a postdoctoral fellow in Dr. Edward Schwarz's lab, received a NIRA for his presentation entitled "Elucidating the Mechanism of Anti-IsdB Antibody-Mediated *S. aureus* Sepsis and Death following Surgical Site Infection in a MRSA Implant-Associated Osteomyelitis Model". Yuchen Wang, a Ph.D. candidate in Dr. Danielle Benoit's lab, received a NIRA for her presentation entitled 'Delivery of β -Catenin Agonists via Targeted Nanoparticles to Enhance Fracture Healing'. Congratulations to the NIRA recipients, their mentors, and the CMSR for the outstanding honor!

