

“MD/PhD students part of UConn Team winning 3rd place at Yale Healthcare Case Competition and 1st place at Jackson Laboratory’s Healthcare Case Competition”

UConn’s Russell Posner (MD/PhD ’21), Allen Mo (MD/PhD ’18), and Matt Hanley (PhD ’17) along with UConn Business School’s Azmath Rahiman (MBA ’17) won 3rd place at the 2016 Yale Healthcare Case Competition on February 27, 2016. They were given one week to prepare a business plan and pitch on the topic of “novel diagnostics for pediatric infectious disease using next-generation sequencing technology.” Fourteen teams of students from schools such as UConn, Yale, Columbia and MIT participated in the event which was sponsored by The Jackson Laboratory (JAX) and held at the Yale School of Management in New Haven.

Following the 3rd place finish, the UConn Team of MD/PhD and other graduate students, along with other teams of finalists, were invited back to present their business proposals to JAX executives at the Jackson Laboratory’s Healthcare Case Competition held on April 20, 2016. The team’s proposed test would decrease the current standard waiting time for negative blood culture results from 48 to 24 hours in the neonatal intensive care unit, thereby reducing NICU expenses by \$680M annually and promoting antibiotic stewardship.

The UConn Team took home the Audience Innovation Award (first prize), beating out 4 other teams which included Columbia, Yale, and MIT.



UConn Health and UConn Business School students make their pitch at the 2016 Yale Healthcare Case Competition sponsored by The Jackson Laboratory. From left: Russell Posner (MD/PhD ’21), Allen Mo (MD/PhD ’18), Matt Hanley (PhD ’17), and Azmath Rahiman (MBA ’17)



UConn Health and UConn Business School students take 3rd place in Yale Healthcare Case Competition. From left: Azmath Rahiman (MBA '17), Matt Hanley (PhD '17), Andrey Antov, PhD, MBA, Kate Adams MPPM (The Jackson Laboratory), Russell Posner (MD/PhD '21), and Allen Mo (MD/PhD '18).