2103 Match Summary
UW Outcomes, National Trends, Unmatched Students, & SOAP Outcomes

Summary
- Most popular specialties: 1) Family Medicine, 2) Internal Medicine, 3) Pediatrics, 4) Surgery, 5) OB/GYN, 6) Emergency Medicine
- Percent of the class entering primary care (~45%) is consistent over the past three years.
- Increase in number and percentage of students training in Wisconsin versus 2012 match (37% vs. 32%)
- 96% overall pre-SOAP match rate (versus 94% nationally)

National Trends
- Lower national match rate (94%) than recent years
- Largest number of unmatched US Seniors in history of the match (~1100)
  - Due to static GME positions, increases in class size, and new medical schools
- More unmatched applicants than unfilled residency positions (i.e. “jaws of death”)
  - Surgical subspecialties, EM, “lifestyle” specialties, and others getting more competitive
- Continued reliance on Step 1 for screening

Unmatched Students

8 Total Unmatched
- 7 Students completely unmatched
  - Specialties desired: Orthopedic Surgery (2), Otolaryngology (2), Urology (1), Emergency Medicine (1), Family Medicine (1)
- 1 Student needing only PGY-1 year

SOAP/Scramble Outcomes
- 1 student accepted a full family medicine residency position (FM was student’s first-choice specialty)
- 5 students accepted one-year, preliminary surgery positions
  - (including the student who needed only a PGY-1 position)
- 2 students received no offers and are extending (i.e. delaying graduation) and will match again next year

Unmatched Student Analysis (i.e. “why”)
- Unrealistic assessment of match prospects
- Marginal applicants in competitive fields
- Overall increase in competitiveness of certain specialties
- Insufficient interviews (due to overconfidence, geographic restriction, unrealistic expectations)
- Poor interviewing (due to communication and/or personality issues)
- All unmatched students passed Step 1 on first attempt (albeit marginally in some cases)
- Marginal/poor USMEL scores for specialty