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GRANTS &



CONTRACTS

Congratulations to our very productive faculty on their recent grants and contracts!



Alan Faden, MD

► **Robert Bloch, PhD**, professor, Department of Physiology, received a new two-year research grant from the Muscular Dystrophy Association worth \$225,942 for "Mu-Crystallin and the Pathogenesis of FSHD."

► **Alan Faden, MD**, the David S. Brown Professor in Trauma, Department of Anesthesiology, and director, Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., National Study Center for Trauma and EMS: A Shock, Trauma and Anesthesiology Research (STAR) Center, received a \$993,000 RC-1 challenge grant award from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development for his work entitled "Combination Drug Treatment to Inhibit Multiple Cell Death Pathways After TBI."

► **Martin Flajnik, PhD**, professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, was awarded a contract from Wyeth Pharmaceuticals in the amount of \$60,000 for his work entitled "Eliciting an IgNAR response in nurse sharks immunized with a mixture of protein antigens emulsified in complete Freund's adjuvant."



Martin Flajnik, PhD

► **Rao Jaladanki, PhD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, received a three-year \$711,884 VA Merit Award for "Surgical Studies on Mucosal Homeostasis."

► **Zhenqiu Liu, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine and Greenebaum Cancer Center, received a two-year \$150,000 RO3 methodology grant from the National Cancer Institute for his work entitled "ROC Based Methods for Risk Factor Prediction and Evaluation."



Mark Rizzo, PhD

► **Mark Rizzo, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Physiology, received an American Recovery & Reinvestment Act Supplement from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases at the NIH in the amount of \$98,667 for his ongoing research proposal entitled "Regulatory Mechanisms of Insulin Secretion."

► **Lisa Shulman, MD**, professor, Department of Neurology, has been awarded a four-year, \$2,625,592 grant from NIH to create a research site for the PROMIS (Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System) Project. The grant money will be used to develop a new measure of self-efficacy for self-management of chronic disease and to perform validation studies of this new measure in five chronic neurologic disorders (Epilepsy, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, Peripheral Neuropathy & Stroke) at the University of Maryland Neurology Ambulatory Center.



Lisa Shulman, MD

NEW STAFF



We welcome new staff!

► **Derek Haseltine, MEd**, joined the Office for Research and Graduate Studies as program director for Research Career Development in February 2010. Mr. Haseltine previously served as assistant director of the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions Professional Development Office, where he managed a variety of career development programs serving Hopkins graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. Mr. Haseltine received his M.Ed. in Educational Psychology from the University of Texas at Austin and his B.S. from University of Maryland, College Park. He will be supporting the assistant dean for Research Career Development by expanding current offerings for faculty and post-docs to include workshops in lab management. Mr. Haseltine will co-direct the new Office for Postdoctoral Scholars, teach a variety of career-related workshops and offer individual career consultations.

APPOINTMENTS



We applaud our colleagues on their recent appointments!

► **Ziv Haskal, MD**, professor, Departments of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine and Surgery, has been named editor of the Society of Interventional Radiology's flagship publication, *The Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology (JVIR)*, for a five-year term that will begin in January 2011. The monthly, peer-reviewed scientific journal—published since 1989—focuses on the critical and cutting-edge medical, minimally invasive, radiological, pathological and socioeconomic issues of importance to vascular and interventional radiologists.

► **Anne Reicherter, PT, PhD, OCS, CHES**, assistant professor, Department of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science, has been selected as a “Top-12 Media Spokesperson” for the American Physical Therapy Association. This volunteer professional service position involves speaking to media on topics within her areas of expertise—physical therapy and education.

HONORS



& AWARDS

Congratulations to the following who have received honors!

► **Claire Fraser-Liggett, PhD**, professor, Departments of Medicine and Microbiology & Immunology and director, Institute for Genome Sciences, was inducted into the 2010 Maryland Women's Hall of Fame on March 18, 2010. Dr. Fraser-Liggett is one of six women selected for this award, which recognizes Maryland women who have made outstanding contributions to the state and are visible models for future female leaders. **Dean E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA**, introduced Dr. Fraser-Liggett at the award ceremony, held at the Miller Senate Office Building in Annapolis.

► **Lisa Gardner**, a graduate research assistant in the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine currently pursuing her PhD in epidemiology, was presented with a \$500 Love of Learning Award from The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi in November 2009. Gardner is one of only 50 Phi Kappa Phi students nationwide to receive this award, established to help fund post-baccalaureate studies and career development.

► **Mary Rodgers, PT, PhD, FAPTA**, the George R. Hepburn Dynasplint Professor and Chair, Department of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science, graduated from the Leadership Maryland program in December 2009. Leadership Maryland, an independent, educational leadership development organization, educates top-level executives from the public and private sectors about the critical issues, challenges and opportunities facing the state of Maryland and its regions. Dr. Rodgers is currently in the middle of a year-long sabbatical, working as an American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow with the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD.



Mary Rodgers, PT, PhD, FAPTA



PUBLICATIONS

Hats off to those who have been published!



Paul Andrew Antony, MD

► **Paul Andrew Antony, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Pathology and Greenebaum Cancer Center, published an article entitled “Native tumor-specific CD4+ T cells differentiated in vivo eradicate established melanoma,” in *The Journal of Experimental Medicine*, March 2010. He also co-authored another article, “Tumor-reactive CD4+ T cells develop cytotoxic activity and eradicate large established melanoma after transfer into lymphopenic hosts” in the same issue.

► **Sonja Batten, PhD**, assistant professor, and **Lisa Dixon, MD**, professor, both of the Department of Psychiatry, were among the authors of “Veteran Interest in Family Involvement in PTSD Treatment,” published in *Psychological Services*, 6(3):184-189, 2009.

► **Kenneth Butler, DO**, associate professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, was a co-author on “Use of a Battery-Operated Needle Driver for Intraosseous Access by Novice Users: Skill Acquisition with Cadavers,” which was published in the November 2009 issue of *Annals of Emergency Medicine* (Vol. 54: 692–694).

The paper describes training on the EZ-IO, a device now in use in the University of Maryland Medical Center’s emergency department.

► **Joana Carneiro da Silva, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology and Institute for Genome Sciences, co-authored an article entitled, “The protist *Trichomonas vaginalis* harbors multiple lineages of transcriptionally active Mutator-like elements” in *BMC Genomics* 2009, 10:330.

► **W. Florian Fricke, PhD**, research associate; **David Rasko, PhD**, assistant professor; and **Jacques Ravel, PhD**, associate professor, all from the Department of Microbiology & Immunology and Institute for Genome Sciences, co-authored “The role of genomics in the identification, prediction, and prevention of biological threats” in *PLoS Biology*, 2009 7(10):e1000217. Dr. Rasko also co-authored with outside authors “Molecu-



Joana Carneiro da Silva, PhD

lar mechanisms of enterotoxigenic *Escherichia coli* infection,” published in *Microbes and Infection*, February 2010; 12(2): 89-98.

► **Howard Goldman, MD, PhD**, professor, Department of Psychiatry, co-published “Lessons for Health Reform from the Hard-won Success of Behavioral Health Insurance Parity” in the *American Journal of Psychiatry*, 166(9), 2009.



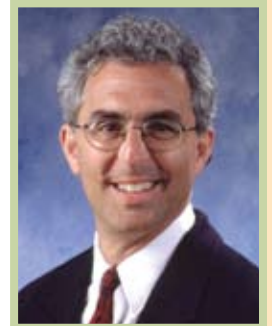
Marc Hochberg, MD, MPH

► **Marc Hochberg, MD, MPH**, professor, Department of Medicine, is lead editor of the textbook “Rheumatoid Arthritis,” which received a stellar review in the November 4, 2009, issue of *JAMA*, 302(17):1910-11. The book was also awarded 1st Prize in the area of “Rheumatology and Orthopaedic Textbooks Published in 2009” by the *British Medical Journal*.

► **Elizabeth Kimbrough PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine and Center for Integrative Medicine, and **Brian Berman MD**, professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine and director, Center for Integrative Medicine, were co-authors on “Mindfulness intervention for child abuse survivors” in the *Journal of Clinical Psychology*. 2010 Jan;66(1):17-33. E-pub ahead of print: 2009 Dec 8.

► **Thomas Le, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, published “Mandibular Thickness Measurements in Young Dentate Adults” in the *Archives of Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery*. 2009;135(9):920-923.

► **Lauren Jones-Lush, PhD**, assistant professor, and **Tim Judkins, PhD**, former postdoctoral fellow, both of the department of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science, along with **George Wittenberg, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Neurology, co-published “Arm Movement Maps Evoked by Cortical



Howard Goldman, MD, PhD



Lauren Jones-Lush, PhD

PUBLICATIONS *continued*

Magnetic Stimulation in a Robotic Environment” in *Neuroscience* 165 (2010) 774-781.

► **Zuzana Justinova, MD, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Psychiatry, published a chapter entitled “Drug Addiction” in the book *Behavioral Neurobiology of the Endocannabinoid System* (Springer Verlag, 2009, pages 309-346), which is part of the series “Current Topics in Behavioral Neurosciences.”



Cindy C. Smith, PhD

► **Jennifer Laing**, graduate research assistant; **Cindy C. Smith, PhD**, assistant professor; and **Laure Aurelian, PhD**, professor, all from the Department of Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics, co-authored “Multi-targeted neuroprotection by the HSV-2 gene ICP10PK includes robust bystander activity through PI3-K/Akt and/or MEK/ERK-dependent neuronal release of vascular endothelial growth factor and fractalkine” in the *Journal of Neurochemistry*, 112(3), February 2010, 662-676. Ms. Laing and Dr. Aurelian, along with graduate research assistant **Aric Colunga**, also co-authored “The HSV-2 mutant DeltaPK induces melanoma oncolysis through nonredundant death programs and associated with autophagy and pyroptosis proteins” in *Gene Therapy*, October 1, 2009 [Epub ahead of print].

► **Wendy Lane, MD, MPH**, assistant professor, and **Patricia Langenberg, PhD**, professor, both of the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, and **Howard Dubowitz, MB, ChB**, professor, Department of Pediatrics, co-authored “Screening for occult abdominal trauma among children with suspected physical abuse” in *Pediatrics*. 2009; 124(6): 1595-1602.

► **Stephen Liggett, MD**, professor, Departments of Medicine and Physiology, and Associate Dean for Interdisciplinary Research; **Jennifer Rathe**, MD/PhD student; and **Luke Tallon** and **Xinyue Liu**, both from the Institute for Genome Sciences, published “Full-Genome Sequence and Analysis of a Novel Human Rhinovirus Strain Within a Divergent HRV-A Clade” in *Archives of Virology*, Jan 2010; 155(1): 83-87.



Wendy Lane, MD, MPH

► **Jay Magaziner, PhD**, professor and chair, Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, co-authored “Antifracture efficacy and reduction of mortality in relation to timing of first dose of zoledronic acid after hip fracture” in *Journal of Bone Mineral Research* 2009; 24(7):1308-1313.

► **Tapas Makar, PhD**, assistant professor; **Christopher Bever, MD**, professor; **Walter Royal, MD**, associate professor; **David Trisler, PhD**, assistant professor; **Tushar Sura**, volunteer; **Shireen Sultana**, technician; **Karna Sura** and **Nirag Patel**, summer students, all from the Department of Neurology, and **Ishwar Singh, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Medicine, co-published an article entitled “Brain-derived neurotrophic factor gene delivery in an animal model of multiple sclerosis using bone marrow stem cells as a vehicle” in the *Journal of Neuroimmunology* 210 (2009) 40-51.

► **Evie Marcolini, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, co-authored “Off-Service Resident Education in the Emergency Department: Outline of a National Standardized Curriculum,” which was published in the December 2009 issue of *Academic Emergency Medicine* (Vol. 16: 1325–1330). The curriculum was compiled by a subcommittee of the Academic Affairs Committee of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

► **Deborah Medoff, PhD**, assistant professor; **Lisa Dixon, MD**, professor; **Theodora Balis, MD**, assistant professor; **Ann Hackman, MD**, associate professor; and **Seth Himelhoch, MD**, associate professor, all from the Department of Psychiatry, were among the authors of “Use of the internet and other media for health information among clinic outpatients with serious mental illness,” published in *Psychiatric Services*, 60:1265-8, 2009.

► **Ram Miller, MD, CM**, assistant professor, and **Jay Magaziner, PhD**, professor and chair, both of the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, co-published Chapter 118, titled “Hip fractures,” in *Hazzard’s Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology*, 6th edition. Halter JB, Ouslander JG, Tinetti ME, Studenski S, High KP, Asthana S and Hazzard WR, (Eds). The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., 2009, 1435-1444.



Tapas Makar, PhD



Lisa Dixon, MD

PUBLICATIONS *continued*



Ayse Mindikoglu, MD, MPH

► **Ayse Mindikoglu, MD, MPH**, assistant professor, Department of Medicine, co-authored “Outcomes of liver transplantation in patients with cirrhosis due to nonalcoholic steatohepatitis versus patients with cirrhosis due to alcoholic liver disease” in *Liver Transplantation* 2009; 15(12):1814-1820.

► **Shiraz Mishra, MBBS, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine; **Roberta Scherer, PhD**, adjunct assistant professor, Departments of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine and Surgery; **Claudia Baquet, MD, MPH**, professor, Department of Medicine, associate dean for Policy & Planning and director, Center for Health Disparities; and **Paula Geigle, PT, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science co-published “Exercise interventions on health related quality of life for cancer survivors (Protocol).” *The Cochrane Library*; (1):2009. John-Wiley & Sons, Ltd, UK.



Garry Myers, PhD

► **Garry Myers, PhD**, assistant professor; **Jacques Ravel, PhD**, associate professor; and **Mark Eppinger, PhD**, research associate, all from the Department of Microbiology & Immunology and the Institute for Genome Sciences; **Owen White, PhD**, professor, Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, and director of bioinformatics, Institute for Genome Sciences; and **Patrik Bavoil, PhD**, professor and chair, Department of Microbial Pathogenesis at the Dental School, co-authored “Evidence that Human Chlamydia *pneumoniae* Was Zoonotically Acquired” in the *Journal of Bacteriology*, December 2009, Volume 191(23):7225-7233. Drs. Eppinger and Ravel also co-authored “Draft Genome Sequences of *Yersinia pestis* Isolates from Natural Foci of Endemic Plague in China” in the *Journal of Bacteriology*, December 2009, Volume 191(24):7628-7629.



Jacques Ravel, PhD

► **Andrew Neuwald, PhD**, professor, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology and Institute for Genome Sciences, was one of the authors of “A typhus group-specific serine protease defies the nature of reductive evolution in *Rickettsia*,” published in the December 2009 *Journal of Bacteriology* 191 (24) 7609-7613.

► **Denise Orwig, PhD**, assistant professor; **Gregory Hicks, PT, PhD**, adjunct assistant professor; and **Jay Magaziner, PhD**, professor and chair, all of the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, and **Barbara Resnick, PhD**, associate professor, School of Nursing; co-published “Design and implementation of a home-based exercise program post-hip fracture: The Baltimore Hip Studies experience” in *Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation* 2009;1(4):308-318.

► **Jacques Ravel, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology and Institute for Genome Sciences, co-authored a paper entitled, “Community analysis of chronic wound bacteria using 16S rRNA gene-based pyrosequencing: impact of diabetes and antibiotics on chronic wound microbiota,” published in *PLoS ONE* 4(7):26462. He also co-authored with a collaborator at The Johns Hopkins University and Translational Genomics Research Institute “The Effects of Circumcision on the Penis Microbiome,” published in *PLoS ONE* 5(1): e8422, January 2010. And Dr. Ravel and **Mark Eppinger, PhD**, research associate, Department of Microbiology & Immunology and Institute for Genome Sciences, were last and first authors, respectively, of an article entitled “Draft genome sequences of *Yersinia pestis* isolates from natural foci of endemic plague in China” in *Journal of Bacteriology*, 2009 December; 191(24):7628-9.

► **Michelle Shardell, MD**, assistant professor, and **Samer El-Kamary, MB,ChB, MPH**, assistant professor, both of the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, co-published “Sensitivity analysis of informatively coarsened data using pattern mixture models” in the *Journal of Biopharmaceutical Statistics* 2009;19(6):1018-1038.



Andrew Neuwald, PhD



Gregory Hicks, PT, PhD

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► **Lisa Shulman, MD**, professor, and **Karen Anderson, MD**, assistant professor, both from the Department of Neurology, and **Ann Gruber-Baldini, PhD**, associate professor, and **Jian Ye, MD, PhD**, former graduate student, both from the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, co-published “Impact of Optimism/Pessimism and Locus of Control on Disability and Quality of Life in Parkinson’s Disease Patients” in *Parkinsonism and Related Disorders*, 15(2009); 665-669.



Karen Anderson, MD

► **Hervé Tettelin, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology and Institute for Genome Sciences, authored “The bacterial pan-genome and reverse vaccinology” in *Genome Dynamics 6: Microbial Pathogenomics*, pp. 35-47.



Hervé Tettelin, PhD

► **Jennifer Wortman**, assistant professor, Department of Medicine; **Marcus Chibucos, PhD**, bioinformatics analyst; and **Jonathan Crabtree**, software bioinformatics engineer, all from the Institute for Genome Sciences, co-authored “The *Aspergillus* Genome Database, a curated comparative genomics resource for gene, protein and sequence information for the *Aspergillus* research community” in *Nucleic Acids Research*. 2010 January; 38(Database issue): D420-7.

► **Ruixin Zhang, PhD**, assistant professor; **Lixing Lao, PhD**, professor; and **Brian Berman, MD**, professor, all from the Department of Family and Community Medicine, and Center for Integrative Medicine, which Dr. Berman directs, published “Extract of the Chinese herbal formula Huo Luo Xiao Ling Dan inhibited adjuvant arthritis in rats.” *J Ethnopharmacol*. 2009;121(3):366-71.



Brian Berman, MD



Lixing Lao, PhD

IN THE NEWS



A job well done to all who have kept us in the media spotlight!



Curt Civin, MD

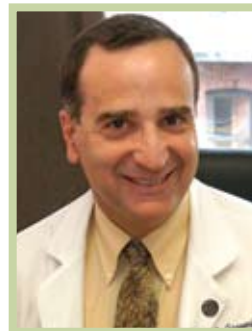
► **Curt Civin, MD**, associate dean for Research, director, Center for Stem Cell Biology & Regenerative Medicine, and professor, Department of Pediatrics, was featured in the February issue of *Baltimore Magazine*. The article, entitled “Growth Industry: Local Stem Cell Researchers Offer Hope For Patients—And a Boon to Maryland’s Economy,” discussed Dr. Civin’s lifesaving work in the field of stem cell research, where the research may be heading, and the impact it has had on the state of Maryland.

► **Claire Fraser-Liggett, PhD**, professor, Departments of Medicine and Microbiology & Immunology and director, Institute for Genome Sciences, was featured in *The Washington Post*’s business section on January 4. The interview discussed Dr. Fraser-Liggett’s career highlights and her position as the director of the Institute for Genome Sciences.



Claire Fraser-Liggett, PhD

► **Anthony Gaspari, MD**, the Albert Shapiro, MD, professor and chair, Department of Dermatology, was featured on the February 1 episode of *The Dr. Oz Show*. Dr. Gaspari discussed his continuing treatment of Dede, the Indonesian “tree man.”



Anthony Gaspari, MD

EVENTS, LECTURES

& WORKSHOPS



Kudos to our colleagues who are experts in their fields and give their all to represent the School of Medicine!



Bryan Ambro, MD, MS

► **Bryan Ambro, MD, MS**, assistant professor; **Rodney Taylor, MD, NSPH, FACS**, associate professor; and **Hernan Goldsztein, MD, PGY-4** resident, all from the Department of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, recently returned from a surgical mission to Cambodia that was sponsored by the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery's Face to Face International Humanitarian Program. Dr. Ambro's focus was to surgically reconstruct external ears of children and adults with congenital or traumatic deformities.

Dr. Taylor provided much-needed surgical treatment of large head and neck tumors. The doctors plan on making this an annual mission to help patients as well as educate and train their Cambodian surgical colleagues there.

► **Brian Berman, MD**, professor, Family & Community Medicine and director, Center for Integrative Medicine, gave a presentation at the Royal College of Physicians' Integrated Care and the Management of Chronic Illness Conference on December 9, 2009, in London, England. His topic was "Integrated healthcare: the future."

► **Johannes Bonatti, MD**, professor, Department of Surgery, presented "Minimized Extra Corporeal Circulation in Robotic Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery" at the Society of Thoracic Surgeons' 46th Annual Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, on January 24.

► **Rebecca Brotman, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine and Institute for Genome Sciences was an invited speaker for a symposium entitled, "The Vaginal Microbiome" at the 47th Annual Meeting of the Infectious Diseases Society of America in Philadelphia, PA, October 29, 2009.



Rebecca Brotman, PhD



Rodney Taylor, MD, NSPH, FACS

► **Stephen Davis, MD**, Theodore E. Woodward Professor & Chairman, Department of Medicine, hosted the 53rd Annual Pincoffs Lecture in Medicine at Davidge Hall on December 2, 2009. The speaker was Philip Cryer, MD, the Irene E. and Michael M. Karl Professor of Endocrinology and Metabolism in Medicine at the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. Dr. Cryer spoke on "Glucagon Action and Secretion: Implications for Hypoglycemia and Hyperglycemia in Diabetes."



L-R: Drs. Stephen Davis, Frank Calia, Philip Cryer and Philip Mackowiak



Paula Geigle, PhD

► **Paula Geigle, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science, gave two platform presentations at the February 10 Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association in San Diego, CA: "Understanding opinions and sentiment of cancer survivors regarding exercise: a pilot study" and "Pilot study of aquatic exercise role in managing breast cancer related lymphedema."

► **Olga Ioffe, MD**, professor, Department of Pathology, was invited to present "Interpretation of endometrial biopsies" at the Chinese Medical Association meeting in Beijing, China, in November 2009. Dr. Ioffe also was Guest Faculty at St. Luke's 1st International Symposium on Pathology in Manila, Philippines, in December 2009. She presented three lectures: "Endocervical glandular lesions," "Non-Endometrioid Endometrial Carcinomas," and "Immunohistochemistry in the Diagnosis of Gynecologic Tumors."

► **Philip Mackowiak, MD, MBA, MACP**, professor & vice chair, Department of Medicine, gave Medical Grand Rounds on November 17, 2009, at the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center. His topic was "What Killed Beethoven?" Afterward, a reception was held in Dr. Mackowiak's honor by the Louisiana State University System President, Dr. Robert Barish, former vice

EVENTS, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS *continued*



Dennis Narango, MA, CFRE

dean for Clinical Affairs at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

► **Dennis Narango, MA, CFRE**, associate dean for Development, presented “The Role of Spouses in Development” to an audience mainly comprised of spouses of medical school deans at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges in Boston, Massachusetts, in November 2009.

► **Thomas Scalea, MD**, Francis X. Kelly Professor of Trauma Surgery, Department of Surgery, and director, Program in Trauma, presented “Damage Control Orthopaedics: What is it and Why is it important?”; “Difficult Case Management”; and “Where Does Operative Control of Pelvic Fracture Bleeding Fit In?” at the Point Counterpoint conference in Doha, Qatar. Dr. Scalea also presented “Timing of Fracture Fixation in Patients with Multiple Trauma” at Trauma Update: Damage Control Strategy in Trauma, in Milano-Malpensa, Italy.



Thomas Scalea, MD

► **Sanford Stass, MD**, professor and chair, Department of Pathology and Department of Medical and Research Technology, moderated a session entitled “Cancer Stem Cells” at the National Cancer Institute’s 19th Early Detection Research Network Steering Committee Meeting from August 31—September 3, 2009. Dr. Stass also presented a poster entitled, “Relationship Between Normal Rectal Methylation, Smoking Status, and The Presence or Absence of Colorectal Adenomas.” Also, at the NIH Office of Rare Diseases Research and Division of Cancer Prevention NCI Workshop “Rare Cancers with High Mortality: Challenges for Cancer Prevention and Treatment” in Bethesda on December 10-11, 2009, Dr. Stass was moderator of a session entitled “Facilitating Clinical Studies in Rare Cancers” and presented the report and recommendations of the panel at the conclusion of the workshop.



Sanford Stass, MD

► **Rodney Taylor, MD, MSPH, FACS** and **Jeffrey Wolf, MD**, both associate professors, Department of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, were invited to lecture at the Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beersheva, Israel, on the “Surgical management of obstruction sleep apnea.”

Buzz Contacts

Many thanks to the following people who serve as your liaisons for the information you see in *What's the Buzz?* Please send information (within the realm of the categories listed above) that you would like to see in the *Buzz* to the appropriate person within your department, program, center or office.

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Biochemistry & Molecular Biology:
Bruce Reinecke

Dermatology: Betsy Satosky

Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine: Nan Knight

Emergency Medicine:
Linda Kesselring

Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine: Yimei Wu

Family & Community Medicine:
NO DESIGNEE

Medical & Research Technology:
Cynthia Stambach

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Teri Robinson

Neurology: Paula Gilley

Neurosurgery: Terry Roberts

Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences: Chris Whitley

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Pathology: Carmen Wooden

Pediatrics: Bonnie Winters

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Radiation Oncology: Jill Rosenberg

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Program in Genetics & Genomic Medicine: Pam Shinnick

Program in Minority Health & Health Disparities: Claudia Baquet

Program in Neuroscience: Tom McHugh

Program in Oncology: Stephen Long

Program in Trauma: Cynthia Rivers
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Center for Integrative Medicine:
Kat Farber

Center for Mucosal Biology Research or MBRC: Pam King

Center for Research on Aging:
Kara Longo

Center for Stem Cell Biology & Regenerative Medicine:
LaRondi Flowers

Center for Trauma and Anesthesiology Research: Jane Anderson

Center for Vaccine Development:
Gloria Smedley

Center for Vascular & Inflammatory Diseases: Vanessa Foreman

Institute for Genome Sciences:
Renée Nathaniel

Institute of Human Virology:
Nora Grannell

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Office of Information Services:
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Office of Policy & Planning:
Claudia Baquet

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Stacie Small

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