



What's the buzz?

Self-Reported News from the School of Medicine Community

GRANTS &



CONTRACTS

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

► **Stephanie L. Aungst, MSc**, graduate student, Department of Physiology, received a two-year \$53,911 predoctoral fellowship grant from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke to support her research proposal entitled "Axonal Sprouting, Neurotrophins and Posttraumatic Epilepsy."

► **Abdu Azad, PhD**, professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, received a \$304,000 supplement to his R01 grant "Murine Typhus: Vector Biology and Transmission."

► **Maria R. Baer, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine and Program in Oncology, received a three-year, \$600,000 Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Translational Research Grant for her work entitled "Targeting Pim-1 Kinase to Overcome Drug Resistance in AML." Collaborators include **Yun Qiu, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics, and **Curt Civin, MD**, associate dean for Research, professor, Department of Pediatrics, and director, Center for Stem Cell Biology & Regenerative Medicine.

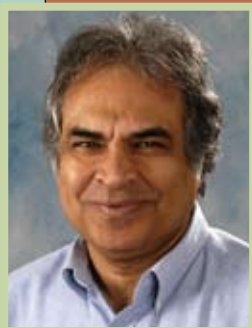
► **Martin Flajnik, PhD**, professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, received a two-year \$150,000 grant from the United States Army to fund his research entitled "Sharks IgNAR Response to Hassavirus."

► **Bridget M. Nugent, BA**, graduate student, Department of Physiology, received a two-year, \$60,670 predoctoral fellowship grant from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke at the NIH to support her research proposal entitled "Epigenetics of Sex Differences in Brain and Behavior."

► **Mohammad M. Sajadi, MD**, assistant professor, Institute of Human Virology and Department of Medicine, received a four-year \$538,920 K23 grant from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases for his work entitled "The Circulating and Memory B-antibody Responses in HIV-infected Patients."

► **Alan R. Shuldiner, MD**, John L. Whitehurst Professor of Medicine, and head, Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Nutrition, and **Andrew P. Goldberg, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine, and head, Division of Gerontology and Clinical Geriatrics, received a five-year grant for \$5,678,805 from the National Institutes for Health for the "Mid-Atlantic Nutrition and Obesity Research Center."

► **Adrienne Williams, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine, received a one-year \$136,000 grant from the Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Service Administration for her work entitled "ARRA—Equipment To Enhance Training For Health Professionals." This is a training grant to purchase a video monitoring system to enhance resident skills in key areas that are essential to improving primary care, including: communication, counseling, motivational interviewing and improved doctor-patient relationships.



Abdu Azad, PhD



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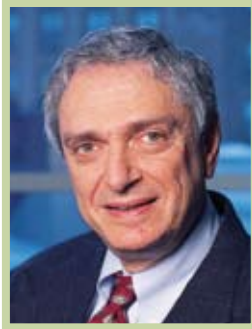
Adrienne Williams, PhD

EVENTS, LECTURES



& WORKSHOPS

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



Mordecai P. Blaustein, MD

► **Mordecai P. Blaustein, MD**, professor, Departments of Physiology and Medicine, and director, Maryland Center for Heart, Hypertension & Kidney Disease, presented “Effect of (Endogenous) Ouabain on Resistance Arteries: All Cardio-tonic Steroids Are Not Created Equal” at the Investigator Initiated Satellite Symposium of the International Society of Hypertension Meeting entitled, “Pathogenesis of Essential Hypertension: Focus and Salt, Stress and Obesity,” in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada, in September 2010. In addition, Dr. Blaustein chaired the program committee for the Biophysical Society and Biophysical Society of China’s joint conference, “New Horizons in Calcium Signaling,” held in Beijing, China, in October 2010. The program committee also consisted of **W. Jonathan Lederer, MD, PhD**, professor, Department of Physiology, and acting director, Center for Biomedical Engineering and Technology.

► **Kenneth H. Butler, DO**, associate professor, and **Amal Mattu, MD**, professor, both from the Department of Emergency Medicine, were invited faculty members for the 2010 Scientific Assembly of the American College of Osteopathic Physicians, held in San Francisco in October 2010. Dr. Butler presented lectures entitled “Ocular Emergencies” and “Controversies in Trauma Resuscitation.” Dr. Mattu’s presentations were entitled “Emergency Cardiology 2010: The Articles You’ve Got to Know!” and “Winning at Failure! Modern Management of Cardiogenic Pulmonary Edema.”

► **Nicholas Carbonetti, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, organized and hosted the 9th International Bordetella Symposium, which was held in



Nicholas Carbonetti, PhD, at the 9th International Bordetella Symposium.

Baltimore September 30 to October 3, 2010. **Victor Ayala**, a graduate student in the Molecular Microbiology & Immunology Program who works in Dr. Carbonetti’s lab, presented a short talk entitled “*B. pertussis* Infection Exacerbates Influenza Virus Infection through Pertussis Toxin Activity” at the symposium.

► **Ronald Gartenhaus, MD**, associate professor, Department of Medicine, presented “Key Signal Transduction Pathways in Lymphoma” at the Lymphoma & Myeloma: An International Congress on Hematologic Malignancies meeting in New York, NY, in October 2010. Additionally, Dr. Gartenhaus presented “MEK/ERK Signaling Regulates the Oncogenic Activity of MCT-1” at the Department of Translational Hematology & Oncology Research Seminar Series at the Cleveland Clinic’s Taussig Cancer Institute in Cleveland, Ohio, in November 2010.



Ronald Gartenhaus, MD

► **Derek Haseltine, MEd**, director for Research Career Development, Office for Research and Graduate Studies, presented “Career Options for Life Scientists” at the Baltimore Life Science Association’s 4th Annual Conference at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in November 2010.

► **Philip A. Mackowiak, MD, MACP**, professor and vice chair, Department of Medicine, was a visiting professor at Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond in October 2010.

► **Mandeep R. Mehra, MBBS, FACC, FACP**, assistant dean for Clinical Services and the Dr. Herbert Berger Professor in Medicine, chaired a National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute workshop, “Cardiac Transplantation Research in the Next Decade: A



Derek Haseltine, MEd



Mandeep R. Mehra, MBBS, FACC, FACP

EVENTS, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS *continued*

Goal to Evidence-Based Outcomes” in August 2010. In addition, Dr. Mehra chaired an international consensus group that devised a novel nomenclature for post-transplant coronary artery disease in heart transplantation. These findings were published in the *Journal of Heart and Lung Transplantation* under the title “International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation Working Formulation of a Standardized Nomenclature for Cardiac Allograft Vasculopathy-2010,” 2010 Jul;29(7):717-27.

► **Jean-Pierre Raufman, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine, and head, Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, and **Geoffrey Rosenthal, MD, PhD**, professor, Department of Pediatrics, and director, Pediatric and Congenital Heart Program, co-chaired, on November 5, 2010, a Food and Drug Administration Gastrointestinal Drugs Advisory Committee Meeting to review the use of proton pump inhibitors in infants ranging in age from one to 12 months.



Geoffrey Rosenthal, MD, PhD

► **Robert L. Rogers, MD**, associate professor, Departments of Emergency Medicine and Medicine, was a visiting professor at the University of Stellenbosch/University of Cape Town in South Africa in July 2010. He gave talks on “The Habits of Effective Medical Educators,” “How to Give an Insanely Great Talk,” “Teaching in the Emergency Department: How the Pros Do It,” “Teaching Away from the Podium,” and “Teaching Medical Students: Pearls and Pitfalls.” In addition, he presented two lectures, “Visual Pearls in Emergency Medicine” and “Aortic Disasters,” to the emergency medicine residency at the same institution.



Robert L. Rogers, MD

► **Lydia Temoshok, PhD**, professor, Institute of Human Virology and Department of Medicine, was invited to present the 2010 Women’s Health Forum lecture, “Cancer: The Mind-Body Connection,” sponsored by Bartlett Regional Hospital, Alaska Breast Cancer Focus, Inc., and Cancer Connection, to 500+

women from throughout southeast Alaska, in Juneau, Alaska, in October 2010. Also in October, Dr. Temoshok presented an invited lecture on “Understanding Biological Mechanisms Underlying Mind-Body Connections in Cancer” to medical providers in the cancer field at Bartlett Regional Hospital in Juneau as well as an invited lecture on “A New Look at HIV Medicine Adherence, Therapeutic Success/Failure, and the Development of Drug Resistance and Biodisparity” to medical providers in the HIV/AIDS field at the same venue.

► **Katherine H. Rak Tkaczuk, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine, hosted the 8th Annual Breast Cancer Update at the University of Maryland Southern Management Corporation Campus Center in October 2010. The CME-accredited course featured lectures and panel discussions on the screening, diagnosis and current comprehensive multidisciplinary approaches in the treatment of breast cancer by School of Medicine faculty. **Stuart Martin, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Physiology and Program in Oncology, served as the keynote speaker.



Katherine H. Rak Tkaczuk, MD



Richard Y. Zhao, PhD

► **Richard Y. Zhao, PhD**, associate professor, Institute of Human Virology and Departments of Pathology and Microbiology & Immunology, was invited to present a series of lectures in Europe in October 2010. Dr. Zhao presented a lecture on “A Fission Yeast Model of HIV-1 Proteases for Studies of Apoptosis, Drug Resistance and Viral Pathogenesis” to the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology at the University of Rome La Sapienza in Rome, Italy. He also gave a lecture at the Pasteur Institute in Paris on “Molecular Characterization of HIV-1 Viral Protein R (Vpr)” and on “Individualized Molecular Testing for Personalized Medicine” at the Hospital Universitario Madrid Montepincipe and the CEU-San Pablo University School of Medicine, both in Madrid, Spain.



Stuart Martin, PhD



PUBLICATIONS

Hats off to those who have been published!



Michael C. Bond, MD

► **Michael C. Bond, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, served as guest editor for the November issue of *Emergency Medicine Clinics of North America*, on the topic of orthopaedic emergencies, and co-authored an article on wound management. The following emergency medicine faculty members contributed to the issue: **Laura Pimentel, MD**, clinical associate professor, co-authored an article on acute cervical spine trauma. **Michael K. Abraham, MD**, and **Sara B. Scott, MD**, clinical assistant professors, wrote an article on hand and wrist injuries. **Brian N. Corwell, MD**, assistant professor, contributed an article on back pain. **Rose M. Chasm, MD**, and **Sharon A. Swencki, MD**, assistant professors, authored an article on pediatric orthopedic emergencies. The foreword to the issue was written by **Amal Mattu, MD**, professor, who serves as a consulting editor for the journal.

► **Shane M. Ceraul, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, authored an article entitled “A Kunitz Protease Inhibitor from *Dermacentor variabilis*, a Vector for Spotted Fever Group *Rickettsiae*, Limits *Rickettsia montanensis* Invasion” in *Infection and Immunity*, Volume 79, Issue 1, January 2011.

► **Ronald Gartenhaus, MD**, associate professor, Department of Medicine, was the senior author on “Ribosomal Protein S6 is Highly Expressed in Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma and Associates with mRNA Containing a 5' Terminal Oligopyrimidine Tract” in *Oncogene*, November 22, 2010 [Epub ahead of print] and the senior author on “ATM Regulates a DNA Damage Response Post-transcriptional RNA Operon in Lymphocytes” in *Blood*, which was a first edition paper and pre-published online on January 5, 2011.

► **Achsah D. Keegan, PhD**, professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology and Center for Vascular and Inflammatory Diseases, published a review article entitled “Regulation of the T Helper Cell Type 2 (Th2)/T regulatory Cell



Shane M. Ceraul, PhD

(Treg) Balance by IL-4 and STAT6” in the *Journal of Leukocyte Biology* 2010, 87(6):1011-1018. Co-authors from the department and center include **Svetlana Chapoval, MD, PhD**, assistant professor, and PhD students **Preeta Dasgupta** and **Nicolas Johnson**. This review was highlighted in www.MDlinx.com Allergy/Immunology section.

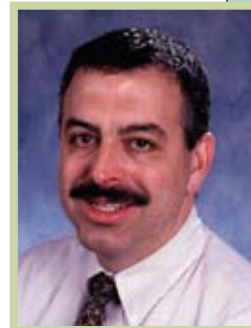
► **Theodore Manson, MD**, **Robert V. O'Toole, MD**, **Marcus Sciadini, MD**, and **Jason W. Nascone, MD**, assistant professors, and **Augusta Whitney, MD**, and **Brian Duggan, MD**, resident physicians, all from the Department of Orthopaedics, co-authored “Young-Burgess Classification of Pelvic Ring Fractures: Does It Predict Mortality, Transfusion Requirements and Non-orthopaedic Injuries?” a peer-reviewed article published in the October 2010 issue of the *Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma* 2010;24(10):603-608. In addition, **Drs. Manson, O'Toole**, and **Nascone**, co-authored “Traction Vertical Shear Pelvic Ring Fracture: A Marker for Severe Arterial Injury? A Case Report,” a peer-reviewed article published in the October 2010 issue of the *Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma* 2010;24(10):e90-e94; **Drs. Manson, O'Toole, Nascone**, and **Sciadini** co-authored “Does Fracture Pattern Predict Death with Lateral Compression Type 1 Pelvic Fractures?” a peer-reviewed article published in the October 2010 issue of the *Journal of Trauma* 2010;69(4):876-879; and **Drs. Nascone, Sciadini** and **O'Toole** co-authored “Does 2.5 cm of Symphyseal Widening Differentiate Anteroposterior Compression I from Anteroposterior Compression II Pelvic Ring Injuries?” a peer-reviewed article published in the October 2010 issue of the *Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma* 2010;24(10):610-615.

► **Giora Netzer, MD**, assistant professor, and **Carl Shanholtz, MD**, associate professor, both from the Department of Medicine, along with **Michael Terrin, MD, CM, MPH**, professor, Departments of Epidemiology & Public Health and Medicine, and **John Hess, MD, MPH**, professor, Departments of Pathology and Medicine, co-published the study “Transfusion Practice in the Intensive Care Unit: A 10-Year Analysis” in the October 2010 issue of the journal *Transfusion*, Volume 50, p. 2125-2134.

► **Darren J. Perkins, PhD**, research associate, and **Stefanie N. Vogel, PhD**, professor, both from the Department of Micro



Achsah D. Keegan, PhD



Carl Shanholtz, MD

APPOINTMENTS



PUBLICATIONS *continued*



Darren J. Perkins, PhD

biology & Immunology, co-published an article entitled "A Toll-Like Receptor-Responsive Kinase, Protein Kinase R, Is Inactivated in Endotoxin Tolerance through Differential K63/K48 Ubiquitination" in the November/December 2010 issue of *mBio*, Volume 1, Issue 5.

► **Toni I. Pollin, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Medicine, and **Alan R. Shuldiner, MD**, John L. Whitehurst Professor of Medicine, co-published an article entitled "Genomics: Variation in Blood Lipids" in the "News and Views" section of *Nature*, 466, August 5, 2010.

► **Mohammad M. Sajadi, MD**, assistant professor, Institute of Human Virology and Department of Medicine, co-authored "Hepatitis C Infection in HIV-1 Natural Viral Suppressors" in *AIDS*, 2010;17;24(11):1689-95.

► **Robert S. Sterling, MD**, associate professor, Department of Orthopaedics, and **Vincent D. Pellegrini Jr., MD**, James Lawrence Kernan Professor and Chair of Orthopaedics, co-authored "THA after Acetabular Fracture Repair: Is Frozen Section Necessary?" a peer-reviewed article published in the October 2010 issue of *Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research*.

► **Usman Zahir, MD**, resident physician, and **Steven C. Ludwig, MD**, associate professor, both from the Department of Orthopaedics, co-authored "Sports-Related Cervical Spine Injuries: On-Field Assessment and Management," an invited article published in *Seminars in Spine Surgery* in October 2010. Additionally, Dr. Ludwig, along with **Ebrahim Paryavi, MD**, resident physician, Department of Orthopaedics, co-authored "Acute Exertional Lumbar Paraspinal Compartment Syndrome," a peer-reviewed article published in the December 2010 issue of *Spine*, 2010;35(25):E1529-E1533.



Toni I. Pollin, PhD



Vincent D. Pellegrini Jr., MD

We applaud our colleagues on their recent appointments!

► **James B. Kaper, PhD**, professor and chair, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, was elected councilor and a member of the board of trustees for the Association of Medical School Microbiology & Immunology Chairs. He will serve a three-year term from 2010 to 2013.

► **Jean-Pierre Raufman, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine, and head, Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, was appointed to a two-year term as chair of the Gastrointestinal Drugs Advisory Committee of the Food and Drug Administration. The committee's task is to review new drug applications and indications for gastrointestinal drugs.



Jean-Pierre Raufman, MD

► **Larry Roberts, MS, MBA**, director, Web Communications, Office of Public Affairs, has been appointed interim director, Office of Public Affairs, since the January departure of former Assistant Dean for Public Affairs Jennifer Litchman, MA. Mr. Roberts has been a member of the Office of Public Affairs since 1999; from 1999 to 2004, he served as media relations specialist and then as assistant director of media relations. Prior to joining the School of Medicine, Larry was a broadcast journalist for WBFF-TV (Fox 45) in Baltimore from 1996 to 1999, and a reporter, anchor and legislative correspondent in radio over the previous 11 years.



James B. Kaper, PhD



Larry Roberts, MS, MBA

HONORS & AWARDS



Congratulations to the following who have received honors!

► **Claudia R. Baquet, MD, MPH**, associate dean for Policy & Planning, professor, Department of Medicine, and director, Center for Health Disparities, was honored as one of the St. George National Award Recipients for 2010 by the American Cancer Society (ACS). The St. George National Award, which recognizes outstanding volunteers who have made significant contributions in support of the ACS mission of saving lives from cancer, is the highest honor awarded to an ACS volunteer. Dr. Baquet received the award in July 2010 from the American Cancer Society's South Atlantic Division.

Dr. Baquet has served as a lead volunteer for the American Cancer Society since 1980. Dr. Baquet's passion and expertise for work in health disparities has helped the South Atlantic Division to define its strategy to focus on its underserved populations, specifically rural populations. Through her professional standing at the University of Maryland, Dr. Baquet has created multiple partnerships that have benefitted the South Atlantic Division. She chaired the Maryland State Council on Cancer Control's subcommittee on cancer disparities and formed the Maryland Statewide Health Network to address health disparities. In addition, Dr. Baquet has testified before the Maryland General Assembly and provided written and oral testimony before House and Senate budget committees—resulting in continuation of funding for vital programs that serve some of Maryland's most fragile and medically needy citizens. Overall, Dr. Baquet's research and leadership regarding access to care and health disparities have made her a leading voice in the American Cancer Society's mission to see all individuals have access to quality health care. Her volunteer tenure with ACS is overarching with its focus on mission, advocacy, disparities and community.

► **Robert C. Gallo, MD**, director, Institute of Human Virology, and professor, Department of Medicine, was honored with the Paul G. Rogers Medical Science Award at the Friends of the National Library of Medicine 10th Annual Awards Dinner, "Celebrating Leadership in Public Health and Medicine," in Washington, DC, in May 2010. The award is named for the late Florida congressman who maintained a career-long commitment to public health and biomedical research. Widely known as "Mr. Health," Congressman



(L-R) Frank Bonner, MD, president, Friends of the National Library of Medicine Board of Directors, with Robert C. Gallo, MD.

Rogers often said, "Without research, there is no hope!" Dr. Gallo received the award for his "revolutionary discovery of the HIV virus and for his contributions to innovations in testing and treatments of the global AIDS epidemic."

► **Michael Terrin, MD, CM, MPH**, professor, Departments of Epidemiology & Public Health and Medicine, received the second annual Excellence in Mentoring Award from the University of Maryland Institute for Clinical and Translational Science. The purpose of the award is to recognize and reward UMB faculty who have been outstanding in team mentoring of faculty on early career development awards during the previous year. Nominations were solicited from faculty on individual (e.g. K08) and institutional (e.g. K12) career development awards. These nominations were evaluated by a panel of senior and junior UMB faculty. Dr. Terrin received a \$500 honorarium and a plaque. In addition, his name has been added to the plaque listing awardees displayed in the institute's Education, Training and Career Development Center suite. Two additional nominated faculty members deserve honorable mention: **Lisa Dixon, MD, MPH**, professor, Department of Psychiatry, and **Marcelo Sztein, MD**, professor, Department of Pediatrics.

► **Douglas D. Ross, MD, PhD**, professor, and **Ann B. Zimrin, MD**, associate professor, both from the Department of Medicine and Program in Oncology, along with **Deborah W. Shpritz, PhD**, Program Director for Palliative Care Education, Program in Oncology, **Susan D. Wolfsthal, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine, **Timothy J. Keay, MD, MA-TH**, professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine and Program in Oncology, and **Hongbin Fang, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health and Program in Oncology, received first place for their poster presentation at the 2010 International Cancer Education Conference, a joint annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer Education, the European Association for Cancer Education, and the Cancer Patient Education Network, held in San Diego in October 2010. Their poster was entitled "Implementation of Experimental, Competency-Based Palliative and End-of-Life Care Training for Internal Medical Residents and Medical Oncology Fellows."



Mary-Claire Roghmann, MD, MS, and Stephen Davis, MBBS, FACP, pose with Michael Terrin, MD, CM, MPH, (middle) after he received the Excellence in Mentoring Award.

IN MEMORIAM

Jane Matjasko, MD, the former Dr. Martin A. Helrich Chair for Anesthesiology and a faculty member for nearly four decades, died on January 10, 2011, following a long illness. She was 68.

Dr. Martha Jane Matjasko graduated from the Medical College of Pennsylvania in 1968. She then arrived in Baltimore and began a 37-year relationship with the University of Maryland. She served her internship, residency and fellowship in anesthesiology at the University of Maryland Medical Center, and in 1972 she joined the faculty of the School of Medicine. She served as vice-chair of the Department of Anesthesiology before becoming the interim chair in 1986. She was subsequently named the fourth chair of the Department of Anesthesiology, serving from 1990 to 2005. Dr. Matjasko became only the second woman to chair a department at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

At a time when few women were anesthesiologists, much less department chairs, Dr. Matjasko became a nationally-known leader in her field. She served as director of the Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research, director of the American Board of Anesthesiology and a member of the Accreditation Committee for Graduate Medical Education. She was the author of numerous articles, book chapters and abstracts and also authored a book, *Clinical Controversies in Neuroanesthesia and Neurosurgery*.

During her stewardship, the Department of Anesthesiology grew in both scope and complexity of its mission, expanding to include approximately 100 faculty and residents, serving four hospitals and providing expert care in all subspecialties of anesthesiology. During what was considered a challenging period for the specialty, Dr. Matjasko's leadership and vision for academic anesthesiology resulted in a first-rate department. Dr. Matjasko devoted considerable support to the department's research mission in diverse areas including patient safety and neuroprotection.



Jane Matjasko, MD

Dr. Matjasko and her husband were long-time generous financial supporters of the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Recently, Dr. Matjasko made a truly magnificent philanthropic gift to the School of Medicine, funding two endowed Professorships in Anesthesiology: The Matjasko Professorship for Research in Anesthesiology (given to Gary Fiskum, PhD) and The Matjasko Professorship for Education in Anesthesiology (given to Mary Njoku, MD).

At a recent event, celebrating the investiture of Drs. Fiskum and Njoku, Dr. Matjasko said, "I am proud to recognize these two faculty members who are national leaders in research and education."

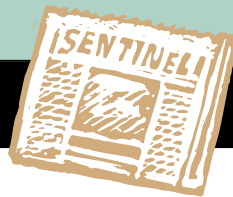
"Dr. Matjasko was truly a guiding force in the field of anesthesiology, serving as tireless advocate for patients, and a selfless and visionary leader, mentor and professor," said Peter Rock, MD, MBA, the Dr. Martin A. Helrich Professor and Chair in Anesthesiology. "She was a strong

supporter of the medical school and its mission. Dr. Matjasko was a warm, compassionate individual. She was kind to everyone she interacted with—faculty, residents, students, patients, colleagues and staff. However, what she will be most remembered for was her dedication to education—to residents and medical students and their training and education. Over her tenure as chair, she trained over 300 residents and fellows. Under her leadership, the department developed four medical school courses to introduce students to anesthesiology. She started an anesthesiology externship program for medical students between their 1st and 2nd years of training. Her name will long be synonymous with the practice of anesthesiology at the University of Maryland and throughout the national anesthesiology community."

Dr. Rock continued, "Our specialty has lost a champion for education, research and patient safety, the department has lost an inspirational and visionary leader, and all of us have lost a good friend and mentor."

Dr. Matjasko is survived by her husband, S.H. Chiu, MD, of Frederick, Maryland, and a son, David Chiu, MD, of North Carolina.

IN THE NEWS



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

► **Giora Netzer, MD, MSCE**, assistant professor, Department of Medicine, was interviewed by reporter Rita Zeidner for the August 3, 2010, edition of the *Washington Post*. The title of the article was "Guidelines Suggest Ways to Minimize the Risk of High-Altitude Sickness."



Lydia Temoshok, PhD

► **Lydia Temoshok, PhD**, professor, Institute of Human Virology and Department of Medicine, was interviewed on April 3, 2010, by Madrid filmmaker Edivia Navarro about her research on the psychoneuroimmunology of malignant melanoma, particularly the Type C coping pattern. The documentary, "Cancer and the Mind," which includes interviews of seven other international experts, has been edited for Spanish TV and will be featured in producer Steve Mendelsson's "Films that Matter."

Save the Date

GPILS 2011 Distinguished Lecture



2009 Nobel Prize winner Carol Greider, PhD, will present the 2011 GPILS Distinguished Lecture on

Tuesday, April 12, 2011, at 4:30 p.m.

in the Lussier Lecture Hall on the ground floor of the Dental School.

Dr. Greider was awarded the 2009 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine. She is a professor in the Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

For more information, contact Tom McHugh, program director, Graduate Program in Life Sciences (GPILS), at tmchugh@som.umaryland.edu or x6-6041.

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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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Bruce Reinecke

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Program in Oncology: Stephen Long

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Harry Bosk

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Kara Longo

Center for Stem Cell Biology & Regenerative Medicine:
LaRondi Flowers

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Jane Anderson

Center for Vaccine Development:
Gloria Smedley

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