Congratulations to the following who have received honors!

Dean E Albert Reece and SOM Board Member Robert Fischell Inducted into National Academy of Inventors

Dean E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA, Vice President of Medical Affairs at the University of Maryland and the John Z. and Akiko Bowers Distinguished Professor and Dean at UM SOM and Robert E. Fischell, ScD, a member of the University of Maryland School of Medicine (UM SOM) Board of Visitors, were recently honored at the induction ceremony of the 2015 Fellows of the National Academy of Inventors, held during the NAI’s fifth annual conference in Washington, DC, April 14–15.

At the April 15 ceremony at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), U.S. Commissioner for Patents Andrew H. Hirshfeld and Paul R. Sanberg, President of the NAI and Charter Fellow, presented the 2015 class of Fellows with a trophy, medal and rosette pin honoring their contributions as academic inventors. Of the 168 innovators elected to the 2015 class, more than 130 were in attendance.

“I am personally inspired and grateful to be amongst this distinguished group and join in recognizing you today,” said Hirshfeld during his keynote address. “You have truly enhanced the quality of life for our nation and we thank you for your innovative contributions. As inventive researchers who are leaders in all fields of academia, we are eager to learn from your expertise and collaborate on future educational initiatives.”

The NAI Fellows Program has 582 Fellows worldwide representing more than 190 prestigious universities and governmental and non-profit research institutions. Collectively, the Fellows hold more than 20,000 issued U.S. patents. NAI Fellows now include more than 80 presidents and senior leaders of research universities and non-profit research institutes, 310 members of the three branches of the National Academy of Sciences, 27 Nobel Laureates, 27 inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame, 36 recipients of the U.S. National Medal of Technology and Innovation and U.S. National Medal of Science, 14 Lemelson-MIT prize recipients, 170 AAAS Fellows, and 98 IEEE Fellows, among other awards and distinctions.

The Conference and Fellows Programs are available at Academyofinventors.org/conference/program.asp. A full listing of the Fellows is at Academyofinventors.org/search-fellows.asp. Invited papers from the conference will be published in Technology and Innovation—Journal of the National Academy of Inventors.

The National Academy of Inventors is a 501(c)(3) non-profit member organization comprising U.S. and international universities, and governmental and non-profit research institutions, with over 3,000 individual inventor members and Fellows spanning more than 200 institutions, and growing rapidly. It was founded in 2010 to recognize and encourage inventors with patents issued from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, enhance the visibility of academic technology and innovation, encourage the disclosure of intellectual property, educate and mentor innovative students, and translate the inventions of its members to benefit society. (Copy courtesy of Lauren Maradei, National Academy of Inventors)
We applaud our colleagues on their recent appointments!

Sandy McCombe Waller PT, PhD, MS, NCS, in collaboration with Nilanjan Banerjee, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), were recognized for their work with graduate students on wearable technology for individuals with quadriplegia. The project has been selected by a UMBC-campus committee to be featured in a major initiative to increase awareness of the breadth and depth of UMBC’s and UMB’s research enterprise. The features will start in fall 2016 and will be distributed online via email, social media, websites, and promoted through print advertisements, as well. A brief web presentation of their work on Assistive Care Devices, developed by Microsoft Research, can be viewed at http://www.csee.umbc.edu/~nilanb/videos.html.

Kerri Thom, MD, Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, recognizing her excellence as a teacher and clinician.

Zeljko Vujaskovic, MD, PhD, Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, received the 2016 J. Eugene Robinson Award at The Society for Thermal Medicine’s annual meeting in April in New Orleans. The award is given each year to an investigator who has made outstanding contributions to hyperthermic oncology over his or her career. The award acknowledges the work of the late J. Eugene Robinson, MD, who was a pioneer in hyperthermic research and a faculty member at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Dr. Robinson joined the School of Medicine in 1961 as an assistant professor in the Department of Radiology, and, in 1964, established a new section for radiation physics and biology.

Maureen Black, PhD, the John A. Scholl, MD, and Mary Louise Scholl, MD, Professor in Pediatrics, Department of Pediatrics, was appointed to the External Scientific Panel of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Science of Behavior Change (SOBC) Common Fund Program. The SOBC Program aims to improve the understanding of behavior change across a broad range of health-related behaviors by integrating basic and translational science across multiple disciplines.

Jeffrey Wolf, MD, FACA, Associate Professor, and Rodney Taylor, MD, MSPH, FACS, Associate Professor, both from the Department of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, led a team from the University of Maryland Medical Center that traveled to Fiji in February to provide free surgical services for patients in that area with head and neck disorders. They saw over 150 patients and performed 15 surgeries. This voluntary mission trip was organized by “The Mission at Natuvu Creek” organization. The team had a bit of excitement at the end of their trip when a deadly cyclone hit as they were about to leave, but, after riding the storm out, all were eventually able to make it home safely.

Sandy McCombe Waller, PT, PhD, MS, NCS

Maureen Black, PhD

Jonathan Zeljko Vujaskovic, MD, PhD

Kerri Thom, MD

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Rodney Taylor, MD, MSPH, FACS

Community Service

Thanks to those who selflessly donate their time, talent and resources. Your goodwill does not go unappreciated.
We welcome our new faculty!

► Shahed Badiyan, MD, joined the Department of Radiation Oncology as an Assistant Professor in August 2015, after completing a year-long proton therapy Fellowship at the premier Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI) in Switzerland. Dr. Badiyan's primary focus is lung, breast and gynecological cancers. He works primarily with the Maryland Proton Treatment Center (MPTC) team to develop a robust, integrated clinical and research program at the MPTC and for our Greenebaum Cancer Center. Dr. Badiyan is experienced in the latest radiation modalities, including intensity modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT), and Brachytherapy. Dr. Badiyan received his medical degree from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, TX, in 2009, and completed his internship at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth, TX, in 2010. Dr. Badiyan completed his Radiation Oncology residency training at Washington University, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO, before starting his proton therapy fellowship at the PSI. Dr. Badiyan has been active in research endeavors during his training years. His clinical and research efforts have yielded over 12 publications and 13 national presentations.

► Jack Hong, MD, FACRO, was appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology, as well as Medical Director of the Radiation Oncology program at the Patricia D. and M. Scot Kaufman Cancer Center at Upper Chesapeake Medical Center, in November 2015. Dr. Hong will continue the development of a robust clinical program at the radiation therapy center, with state-of-the-art technologic offerings inclusive of brachytherapy and stereotactic radiation services, and will refine established processes to ensure the Radiation Oncology program at the Kaufman Cancer Center remains fully integrated within the Upper Chesapeake Hospital oncology program and the University of Maryland Greenebaum Cancer Center. Working in collaboration with Clinical Trial Research leadership, Dr. Hong will promote and grow existing radiation oncology-based clinical trials and research protocols. Dr. Hong is experienced in the latest radiation modalities, including intensity modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image guided radiation therapy (IGRT), and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT). In addition, he is recognized as a regional expert in the use of brachytherapy. Dr. Hong is a graduate of the University of Virginia and received his medical degree at Eastern Virginia Medical School in 1988. He completed his Radiation Oncology residency training at the University of Maryland Department of Radiation Oncology, where he served as Chief Resident. He then completed a one-year American Cancer Society (ACS) Fellowship at the University of Maryland. Since 1996, Dr. Hong has served as Medical Director of Harbor View Radiation Oncology Center at MedStar Harbor Hospital in Baltimore.

► Adeel Kaiser, MD, joined the Department of Radiation Oncology as an Assistant Professor on June 2015. He is primarily based at Central Maryland Radiation Oncology Center (CMRO), located in Howard County, where he joined Drs. Sally Cheston, Deborah Frassica, and Elizabeth Nichols, but also works ~1.5 days per week downtown at UMMC and the MPTC, where he is involved in the liver-directed therapy program. Dr. Kaiser's primary clinical focus at CMRO is on Genitourinary/Prostate and Head & Neck disease sites. He also oversees the Stereotactic Based Radiation Therapy (SBRT) program, and has assumed a lead role in clinical trial development in collaboration with both departmental and community practice researchers. One area of primary investigation is the integration of “metabolic therapy/nutritional strategies” to complement conventional cancer therapies. Dr. Kaiser is experienced in the latest radiation modalities, including intensity modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT), and proton therapy. He has over six years of extensive clinical and research experience in both academic and private practice settings. Dr. Kaiser received his medical degree from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and completed his internship
New Faculty continued

Robert Malyapa, MD, PhD, joined the Department of Radiation Oncology as a Professor in 2015 and is primarily based at the MPTC. Dr. Malyapa was previously Senior Radiation Oncologist and Physician-in-Charge of the Pediatric Proton Service at the Center for Proton Therapy, Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI) in Villigen, Switzerland. He is internationally recognized for his work in proton therapy. Dr. Malyapa’s primary focus is in CNS (inclusive of spine and base-of-skull/paranasal sinus tumors), Pediatrics and Sarcoma, and has a secondary focus on head and neck. In his new position, Dr. Malyapa works with our MPTC team to develop a robust, integrated clinical and research program at the proton center and our Greenebaum Cancer Center. Dr. Malyapa has over 9 years of extensive clinical and research experience with proton therapy patients, and prior to joining the PSI was faculty at the University of Florida Proton Therapy Institute (UFPTI), where he served as Principal investigator on proton therapy protocols and lead physician for tumors of the nasal cavity and paranasal sinuses, nasopharynx, skin with intracranial perineural invasion, oropharynx, chordomas, and chondrosarcomas of the base of the skull and spine. Dr. Malyapa received his MBBS degree from the University of Madras in Pondicherry, India and his postgraduate medical degree, MD, from the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi, India. Dr. Malyapa then received a PhD in Radiation Biology from the Hiroshima University Research Institute for Nuclear Medicine and Biology in Japan. He completed his Radiation Oncology residency training at Washington University, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO, before becoming faculty at the UFPTI in 2005. Dr. Malyapa’s clinical and research efforts have yielded over 60 publications, two book chapters, and 80 national/international presentations, including participation in educational workshops/courses on proton therapy.

Arezoo Modiri, PhD, joined the Department of Radiation Oncology as an Instructor in January. Dr. Modiri received her PhD in Electrical Engineering from the University of Texas at Dallas in August 2013, focusing on Microwave Imaging for Breast Cancer Detection. She completed her postdoctoral training at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in December 2015. Her postdoctoral research was focused on 4D photon therapy treatment planning for lung cancer, where she applied a swarm-intelligence-based algorithm to solve the optimization problem.

Amit Sawant, PhD, joined the Department of Radiation Oncology as an Associate Professor in January 2016. Dr. Sawant was previously a tenure-track Assistant Professor at the UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX. Dr. Sawant’s position as a physicist-scientist is a joint position between the Division of Translational Radiation Sciences and the Division of Medical Physics, with a focus on developing a robust physics and imaging-driven research program that enables the eventual translation of pre-clinical findings into clinical imaging and therapeutics. Dr. Sawant has authored or co-authored over 35 peer-reviewed publications in the area of image-guided radiotherapy. He has served as Principal Investigator on several federal and industry-sponsored research grants, including two active NIH R01 awards.
Kudos to our colleagues who are experts in their fields and give their all to represent the School of Medicine!

- **Tom McHugh, MS**, Program Administrator, Center for Innovative Biomedical Resources (CIBR), Graduate Program in Life Sciences (GPILS), and the Office of Postdoctoral Scholars (OPS), co-presented the workshop “Developing an Effective Advocacy Strategy for the Postdoc Community: Tools for Involvement at the Local and National Level” on March 6 at the National Postdoc Association’s (NPA) annual meeting in Grand Rapids Michigan. Mr. McHugh serves as the co-chair of the NPA’s Advocacy Committee.

- **Elizabeth Powell, PhD**, Associate Professor, Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, was an invited speaker for the Interneurons in Developmental Malformations session at the Society for Neuroscience Neurobiology of Disease Workshop in Chicago, where she presented “Human Brain Malformation: From Genetics to Therapeutics” on October 16, 2015.

- **Tatiana Sanses, MD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences, and **Minhaj Siddiqui, MD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, were invited to present their robotic project “The Maryland TERPS” (Training, Education for Robotic Performance with Simulation at the University of Maryland Medical System) at the Robotic Research Retreat in San Jose, CA, on January 7.

- **Emerson Wickwire, PhD, ABPP, CBSM, FAASM**, Assistant Professor, Departments of Psychiatry and Medicine, served on the faculty of the National Sleep Medicine Trends course, held in Scottsdale, AZ, from February 12–14. His presentation “Sleep and Corporate Health” was featured in the opening “Hot Topics” session.

- **Susan Wolfsthal, MD**, the Celeste Lauve Woodward, MD, Professor in Humanism and Ethical Medical Practice, and Associate Chair of Education, Department of Medicine, is participating in iCOMPARE, a national randomized trial of internal medicine residency programs examining the impact of duty hours on patient safety and the quality of education. Being randomized to the FLEX arm, interns are staying overnight in critical-care units to deliver continuous care to their patients, while other resident schedules remain unchanged. The results from iCOMPARE will be available in another year. **Stephen Kavic, MD**, Associate Professor and Residency Program Director, Department of Surgery, recently participated in a two-year national trial, the FIRST Trial, studying the same issues in surgery residency programs. Those results were published in *The New England Journal of Medicine* and demonstrated no impact of duty hours on patient or resident outcomes.

- **Eight members of the Department of Emergency Medicine faculty traveled to Steamboat Springs, CO, in late February, as invited speakers at the 2016 Rocky Mountain Winter Conference, sponsored by the Denver Health Medical Center. **Amal Mattu, MD**, Professor, presented the keynote address, “Secrets of Success in Emergency Medicine...From *The Princess Bride*” and the lecture “PEA: A Miracle Pill for the Mostly Dead!” The other participating faculty members and the titles of their presentations were:
  - **George Willis, MD**, Assistant Professor: “The Crashing Aortic Dissection: Do’s and Don’ts”
  - **Brian Browne, MD**, Professor and Chairman: “Free-Standing Emergency Departments”
  - **Wendy Chang, MD**, Assistant Professor: “Status Epilepticus: Mistakes You Don’t Want to Make!”
  - **Michael Winters, MD**, Associate Professor: “Running the Perfect Code” and “Cutting Edge Resuscitation...Beyond the Golden Tower”
  - **Haney Mallemat, MD**, Assistant Professor: “Critical Care Ultrasound: Beyond the FAST” and “More Than Morning Sickness: The Critically Ill Pregnant Patient”
  - **Semhar Tewelde, MD**, Assistant Professor: “Syncope Disasters”
  - **Michael Abraham, MD**, Clinical Assistant Professor: “Dazed and Confused—How to Save Every Last Neuron!”
Congratulations to our very productive faculty on their recent grants and contracts!

- **Ramesh Chandra, PhD**, Research Associate, Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, received a two-year, $70,000, 2015 NARSAD Young Investigator Grant for “Cell Subtype Molecular Mechanisms of Mitochondria Dynamics in Depression.”

- **Wilbur Chen, MD, MS**, Associate Professor of Medicine, Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, has been awarded a $1,386,710 grant from PATH for “Phase 1 study of Shigella DB Fusion Vaccine.”

- **Warren D’Souza, PhD**, Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, was awarded $70,634 for “Research and Collaboration Agreement Between Varian Medical Systems, Inc., and the University of Maryland, Baltimore.”

- **Reha Erzurumlu, PhD**, Professor, and **Elizabeth Powell, PhD**, Associate Professor, both from the Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, received a five-year, $2,475,313 R01 grant from the National Institutes of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) for “Thalamocortical Circuit Defects in Developmental Brain Disorders.” The goal of the project is to define sensory thalamocortical synaptic defects in mouse models of Autism Spectrum Disorders.

- **Laura Hungerford, DVM, MPH, PhD**, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was awarded a 13-month, $45,912 contract from the Zoological Society of San Diego.

- **Shaolin Liu, PhD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, received a five-year, $1,304,750 grant from the National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders for “Functional Mechanisms Underlying the Intrabulbar Associational Circuit in the Olfactory System.”

- **Matthew Laurens, MD, MPH**, Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine, Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, received a one-year, $78,474, grant from MIPS for “Development of Malaria Vaccine Candidate, VLPM01.”

- **Marcela Pasetti, PhD**, Professor of Pediatrics and Microbiology & Immunology, Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, received an extension with an increase in funding in the amount of $19,745 on her agreement with Immuron Ltd., for “Bovine Hyperimmune Colostrum Characterization.” Dr. Pasetti also was awarded a one-year, $79,628 contract with Vaxart for “Norovirus (NoV) Hemagglutination Inhibition Testing (HAI) for Vaxart Phase I Clinical Trial.”

- **Ashutosh Sachdeva, MBBS**, Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, received a one-year, $25,000 unrestricted education grant from Medtronics/Covidien to support an “Interventional Pulmonology Fellowship” starting July 2016.

- **Simeon Taylor, MD, PhD**, Professor, Department of Medicine, received a three-year, $199,972 Innovative Clinical or Translational Science Award grant from the American Diabetes Association (ADA) for “Pharmacogenomics of GLP1 Receptor Agonists: Pilot Study Investigating Nonsynonymous Variants in Two Candidate Genes (GIPR and GCGR).”
Hats off to those who have been published!

- **Zubair Ahmed, PhD**, Associate Professor, Departments of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, and Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences, was among the co-authors on “A New Frontonasal Dysplasia Syndrome Associated with Deletion of the SIX2 Gene” in *American Journal of Medical Genetics, Part A*, 2016 Feb;170(2):487-491. Dr. Ahmed and **Saima Riazuddin, PhD**, Associate Professor, Departments of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, were among the co-authors on “MAP3K1 Function is Essential for Cytoarchitecture of the Mouse Organ of Corti and Survival of Auditory Hair Cells” in *Disease Model and Mechanism*, 2015, Dec 1;8(12):1543-1553.

- **Shahed Badiyan, MD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, was among the co-authors on “Medically Inoperable Endometrial Cancer in Patients with a High Body Mass Index (BMI): Patterns of Failure After 3-D Image-Based High Dose Rate (HDR) Brachytherapy” in *Radiotherapy and Oncology*, 2016 Jan;118(1):167-172.

- **Eileen Barry, PhD**, Professor of Medicine; **Marcela Pasetti, PhD**, Professor of Pediatrics; **Raphael Simon, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Medicine; **Brittany Curtis**, Research Specialist; **Christen Grassel**, Research Specialist; **Rachel Laufer**, Research Assistant; and **Khandra Sears, PhD**, Postdoctoral Fellow, all from the Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, were among the co-authors on “Simple Method for Purification of Enterotoxigenic Escherichia coli fimbriae” in *Protein Expression and Purification*, 2016 Mar;119:130-135.

- **Mona Beier, MD**, Clinical Instructor, Department of Medicine; **Jennifer Johnson, PhD, D(ABMM)**, Associate Professor, Department of Pathology; **Kerri Thom, MD**, Associate Professor, and **Anthony Harris, MD, MPH**, Professor, both from the Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, were among the co-authors, and **Surbhi Leekha, MBBS, MPH**, Assistant Professor, also from the Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was last author on “Impact of Changes in Urine Culture Ordering Practice on Antimicrobial Utilization in Intensive Care Units at an Academic Medical Center” in *Infection Control & Hospital Epidemiology*, 2016 Apr;37(4):448-454.

- **Amber Beitelshes, PharmD**, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Program for Personalized and Genomic Medicine, and **Ronald Prigeon, MD**, VA Medical Center, were among the co-authors on “Pharmacodynamic Effects of Low-Dose Pioglitazone in Patients with the Metabolic Syndrome Without Diabetes Mellitus” in *Pharmacotherapy*, 2016 Mar;36(3):252-262.

- **Soren Bentzen, PhD, DMSc**, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was last author on “Early Lesion-Specific (18)F-FDG PET Response to Chemotherapy Predicts Time to Lesion Progression in Locally Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer” in *Radiotherapy and Oncology: Journal for the European Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology*, 2016 Mar;118(3):460-464. He was also among the co-authors on “Dose-Effect Relationship and Risk Factors for Vaginal Stenosis After Definitive Radio(chemo)therapy With Image-Guided Brachytherapy for Locally Advanced Cervical Cancer in the EMBRACE Study” in *Radiotherapy and Oncology: Journal for the European Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology*, 2016 Jan;118(1):160-166.

- **Andrea Berry, MD**, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, and **Karen Kotloff, MD**, Professor of Pediatrics, both from the Center for Vaccine Development and
the Institute for Global Health, were among the co-authors on “Safety and Immunogenicity of Sequential Rotavirus Vaccine Schedules” in Pediatrics, 2016 Feb;137(2):1-10.

- **Mary Beth Bollinger, DO**, Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics, was among the co-authors on “Mouse Sensitivity is an Independent Risk Factor for Rhinitis in Children With Asthma” in Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology Practice, 2016 Jan-Feb;4(1):82-88.

- **Michael Bond, MD**, Associate Professor and Residency Program Director, Department of Emergency Medicine, was among the co-authors on “Have First-Year Emergency Medicine Residents Achieved Level 1 on Care-Based Milestones?” in Journal of Graduate Medical Education, 2015 Dec;7(4):589-94. The investigators surveyed 41 interns from four programs and their supervising attendings regarding the residents’ fulfillment of clinical expectations that constitute Level 1 ability (at the level of a medical school graduate). One-fourth of the study group fell short of meeting all nine care-based milestones. The findings of this study have implications for training programs in all medical specialties.

- **Andrea Buchwald**, Graduate Student in Epidemiology; **Lauren Cohee, MD**, Postdoctoral Fellow; and **Miriam Lauffer, MD**, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, all from the Institute for Global Health, were among the co-authors on “Bed Net Use Among School-aged Children After a Universal Bed Net Campaign in Malawi” in Malaria Journal, 2016 Feb 29;15(1):127.

- **Elizabeth Chang**, Research Assistant; **Palak Parekh, PhD**, Postdoctoral Fellow; and **France Carrier, PhD**, Associate Professor, all from the Department of Radiation Oncology, were among the co-authors on “Heterogenous Ribonucleoprotein A18 (hnRNP A18) Promotes Tumor Growth By Increasing Protein Translation of Selected Transcripts in Cancer Cells” in Oncotarget, 2016 Jan 25 [Epub ahead of print].

- **Wilbur Chen, MD, MS**, Associate Professor of Medicine, and **Karen Kotloff, MD**, Professor of Pediatrics, both from the Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, were among the co-authors on “Persistence of Antibody to Influenza A/H5N1 Vaccine Virus: Impact of AS03 Adjuvant” in Clinical and Vaccine Immunology, 2015 Nov;23(1):73-77.

- **Matthew Christian, MD**, Resident Physician; **W. Andrew Eglseer, MD**, Professor; and **Raymond Pensy, MD**, Assistant Professor, all from the Department of Orthopaedics, were among the co-authors on “Sustentaculum Lunatum: Appreciation of the Palmar Lunate Facet in Management of Complex Intra-Articular Fractures of the Distal Radius” in American Journal of Orthopedics, 2015 Sep;44(9):E303-307. Dr. Christian and Pensy were also among the co-authors on “Septic Arthritis and Osteomyelitis Caused by Pasteurella multocida” in American Journal of Orthopedics, 2015;44(7):E239-241.

- **Michael Chuong, MD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, was among the co-authors on “Histopathologic Tumor Response After Induction Chemotherapy and Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy for Borderline Resectable Pancreatic Cancer” in Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology, 2016 Apr;7(2):221-227.

- **Alan Cross, MD**, Professor of Medicine, Center for Vaccine Development and Institute for Global Health, was the author of the invited editorial “Endotoxin: Back to the Future” in Critical Care Medicine, 2016 Feb;44(2):450-451.
Brittany Curtis, Research Specialist; Christen Grassel, Research Specialist; Rachel Laufer, Research Assistant; Khandra Sears, Postdoctoral Fellow; Marcela Pasetti, PhD, Professor of Pediatrics; Eileen Barry, PhD, Professor of Medicine; and Raphael Simon, PhD, Assistant Professor of Medicine, all from the Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, were among the co-authors on “Simple Method For Purification of Enterotoxigenic Escherichia coli Fimbriae” in Protein Expression and Purification, 2016 Mar;119:130-5.

Chris D’Adamo, PhD, Assistant Professor of Family & Community Medicine and Director of Research, Center for Integrative Medicine, was lead author on “A Common Variant in the SETD7 Gene Predicts Serum Lycopene Concentrations” in Nutrients, 2016 Feb 6;8(2). Co-authors included Kathleen Ryan, MS, Bioinformatics Analyst; Nanette Steinle, MD, Associate Professor; Braxton Mitchell, PhD, Professor; Alan Shuldiner, MD, the John L. Whitehurst Professor of Medicine and Director of the Program for Personalized and Genomic Medicine, and Patrick McArdle, PhD, Associate Professor, all from the Department of Medicine and the Program for Personalized and Genomic Medicine.

Coleen Damcott, PhD, Associate Professor of Medicine; Jeffrey O’Connell, PhD, Associate Professor of Medicine; Braxton Mitchell, PhD, Professor of Medicine; and Alan Shuldiner, MD, the John L. Whitehurst Professor of Medicine, all from the Program for Personalized and Genomic Medicine, which Dr. Shuldiner directs, were among the co-authors on “Gene Expression Differences Between Offspring of Long-Lived Individuals and Controls in Candidate Longevity Regions: Evidence for PAPSS2 as a Longevity Gene” in Journals of Gerontology Series A, Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences, 2016 Feb 19 [Epub ahead of print].

Antoine Dara, Graduate Student in the Molecular Microbiology & Immunology program; Jason Bailey, PhD, Postdoctoral Fellow; and Christopher Plowe, MD, MPH, FASTMH, Professor of Medicine, all from the Institute for Global Health, which Dr. Plowe directs, were among the co-authors on “Expression of Complement and Toll-like Receptor Pathway Genes is Associated with Malaria Severity in Mali: A Pilot Case Control Study” in Malaria Journal, 2016 Mar 9;15(1):150.

Ashley Devonshire, MD, MPH (Class of 2013, who was a medical student when this paper was being written); Erin Hager, PhD, Assistant Professor, Departments of Pediatrics and Epidemiology & Public Health; Maureen Black, PhD, the John A. Scholl, MD, and Mary Louise Scholl, MD, Professor Department of Pediatrics, and Soren Snitker, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, were among the co-authors on “Elevated Blood Pressure in Adolescent Girls: Correlation to Body Size and Composition” in BMC Public Health, 2016 Jan 26;16(1):78.

Tejan Diwanji, MD, Resident, and Michael Chuong, MD, Assistant Professor, both from the Department of Radiation Oncology, and Fred Moeslein, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, were among the co-authors on “Dramatic Response of a Large, 10-cm Hepatocellular Carcinoma to Monotherapy with yttrium-90-based Selective Internal Radiation Therapy” in Cureus, 2015 Dec;7(12):e425.

Alexander Engelman, MD, and Jason Molitoris, MD, both Residents, and Michael Chuong, MD, Assistant Professor, all from the Department of Radiation Oncology, were among the co-authors on “Prognostic Significance of Neutrophil-Lymphocyte Ratio and Platelet-Lymphocyte Ratio in Patients Treated with Selective Internal Radiation Therapy” in Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology, 2016 Apr;7(2):269-277.

Reha Erzurumlu, PhD, Professor, Department of Anatomy and
Neurobiology edited a special issue of Experimental Neurology (2016 Jan;275, Pt 2) on “CNS Consequences of Neonatal Peripheral Injury.”

- **Aletta Frazier, MD**, Clinical Associate Professor, and **Charles White, MD**, Professor, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, were among the co-authors on “Presence of Subpleural Pulmonary Interstitial Emphysema as an Indication of Single or Multiple Alveolar Ruptures on CT in Patients with Spontaneous Pneumomediastinum” in Acta Radiologica, 2016 Feb 10 [Epub ahead of print]. Dr. White was also a co-author on “Computed Tomographic Screening for Lung Cancer Trends at Leading Academic Medical Centers From 2013 to 2015” in JAMA Oncology, 2016 Feb 11 [Epub ahead of print].

- **Stephanie Fresnay, PhD**, Postdoctoral Fellow; **Monica McArthur, MD, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics; **Marcelo Sztein, MD**, Professor of Pediatrics; and **Myron Levine, MD, DTPH**, the Simon and Bessie Grollman Distinguished Professor of Medicine, all from the Center for Vaccine Development and the Institute for Global Health, and **Laurence Magder, PhD**, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, were among the co-authors on “Salmonella Typhi-Specific Multifunctional CD8+ T Cells Play a Dominant Role in Protection From Typhoid Fever in Humans” in Journal of Translational Medicine, 2016 Mar 1;14(1):62.

- **Todd Gould, MD**, Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry, and **Istvan Merchenthaler, MD, PhD, Dsc**, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, were among the co-authors on “The Bioprecursor Prodrug 10β,17β-dihydroxyestra-1,4-dien-3-one Delivers 17β-estradiol Selectively to the Female Brain” in Science Translational Medicine, 2015;(7)297:297ra112.

- **Jack Guralnik, MD, PhD, MPH**, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was among the co-authors on “Comparison of Handgrip and Leg Extension Strength in Predicting Slow Gait Speed in Older Adults” in Journal of the American Geriatric Society, 2016 Jan;64(1):144-150.

- **Erin Hager, PhD**, Assistant Professor, Departments of Pediatrics and Epidemiology & Public Health, co-authored the commentary “Just Add Water: The Power of a Simple Intervention to Improve Student Health” in JAMA Pediatrics, 2016 Mar 1;170(3):199-200. It received significant media attention when released online in January, with citations in over 80 online and print media outlets, including CBS News.

- **Fnu Harshvardhan, BPT, MS, PhD, UMANRRT**, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science, was among the co-authors on “Musculoskeletal Effects of 2 Functional Electrical Stimulation Cycling Paradigms Conducted at Different Cadences for People With Spinal Cord Injury: A Pilot Study” in Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 2015 Dec 17 [Epub ahead of print].

- **Jon Mark Hirshon, MD, MPH, PhD**, Professor, and **Bryan Hayes, PharmD**, Clinical Associate Professor, both from the Department of Emergency Medicine; **Gordon Smith, MB, ChB, MPH**, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health; and **Wendy Klein-Schwartz, PharmD, MPH**, Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, School of Pharmacy, were co-authors, along with their Egyptian colleagues, on “Epidemiology of Acute Poisoning in Children Presenting to the Poisoning Treatment Center at Ain Shams University in Cairo, Egypt, 2009-2013” in Clinical Toxicology, 2016 Jan;54(1):20-26. The 38,470 children treated at the center during the study period accounted for 44 percent of total patients seen. Poisoning in preschool children was mainly unintentional and commonly caused by nonpharmaceutical agents, whereas poisoning in adolescents was mainly intentional (self-harm). Pesticides, most commonly organophosphorus compounds and carbamates, were the agents that most often led to morbidity and mortality.

- **Chaitanya Kalavagunta, PhD**, Physics Resident, Department of Radiation
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- Danya Khoujah, MBBS, Assistant Professor, and Amal Mattu, MD, Professor, both from the Department of Emergency Medicine, contributed the chapter on “Ischemic Heart Disease” to the Sixth Edition of Emergency Medicine Secrets, published by Elsevier in February.

- Jeffrey Kleinberger, BSc, a MSTP student in Molecular Medicine; Kristin Maloney, MS, MGC, CGC, Instructor, Department of Medicine and Program for Personalized & Genomic Medicine; Toni Pollin, MS, PhD, CGC, Associate Professor, Departments of Medicine and Epidemiology & Public Health; and Linda Jo Bone Jeng, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Departments of Medicine, Pediatrics, and Pathology, co-authored “An Openly Available Online Tool for Implementing the ACMG/AMP Standards and Guidelines for the Interpretation of Sequence Variants” in Genetics In Medicine, 2016 Mar 17 [Epub ahead of print].

- Judy LaKind, PhD, Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was among the co-authors on “Approaches For Describing and Communicating Overall Uncertainty in Toxicity Characterizations: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) as a Case Study” in Environment International, 2016 Apr-May;89-90:110-128.

- Rena Lapidus, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine; Lakshmi Pidugu, PhD, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology; Anil Jasiwal, PhD, Professor, Department of Pharmacology; Eric Toth, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology; Feyruz Rassool, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology; Edward Sausville, MD, PhD, Professor, Department of Medicine; Maria Baer, MD, Professor, Department of Medicine; and Ashkan Emadi, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, were among the co-authors on “Hydroxylated Dimeric Naphthoquinones Increase the Generation of Reactive Oxygen Species, Induce Apoptosis of Acute Myeloid Leukemia Cells and Are Not Substrates of the Multidrug Resistance Proteins ABCB1 and ABCG2” in Pharmaceuticals (Basel), 2016 Jan 19-9(1).

- Steven Ludwig, MD, Professor, Department of Orthopaedics, was a co-author on “Supralaminar, Infralaminar, Transverse Process Hook Placement,” a book chapter in Spine Surgery: Tricks of the Trade, Third Edition, published by Thieme on March 9. In the same book, Dr. Ludwig and Kelley Banagan, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Orthopaedics, were co-authors on the chapters “Minimally Invasive Posterior Deformity Correction Techniques” and “Sacropelvic Trauma.”

- Laurence Magder, PhD, Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, was among the co-authors on “Predictors of Incident Seizure in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus” in The Journal of Rheumatology, 2016 Mar;43(3):565-575.

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Christina Perry, PhD, Graduate Student in Epidemiology and Human Genetics; Kristin Maloney, MS, MGC, CGC, Instructor; and Amber Beitelshees, PharmD, Assistant Professor, all from the Department of Medicine and the Program for Personalized and Genomic Medicine; Linda Jo Bone Jeng, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Departments of Medicine, Pediatrics, and Pathology; Nicholas Ambulos Jr, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology; Alan Shuldiner, MD, the John L. Whitehurst Professor of Medicine and Director of the Program for Personalized and Genomic Medicine; and Miriam Blitzer, PhD, Professor, Departments of Pediatrics, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, and Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences, co-authored “Educational Innovations in Clinical Pharmacogenomics” in Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, 2016 Feb 13 [Epub ahead of print].

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- **Shutosh Sachdeva, MBBS**, Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, was a co-author on “Training Program of Interventional Pulmonology Fellowships: USA” in *Journal of Thoracic Disease*, 2015 Dec;7(Suppl 4):S415-S417.

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Stephen Thom, MD, PhD, Professor; Ming Yang, MD, Research Associate; Kevin Yu, MD, Lead Research Specialist; Veena Bhopale, MPhil, PhD, Laboratory Manager; and Svitlana Kovtun, MD, Research Specialist, all from the Department of Emergency Medicine, were among the co-authors on “Measurements of CD34+/CD45-dim Stem Cells Predict Healing of Diabetic Neuropathic Wounds” in Diabetes, 2016 Feb;65(2):486-97. After analyzing specimens from patients with foot ulcers, the investigators concluded that the number...
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