

What's New in Biochemistry

PERSONNEL NEWS:

	Dr. Gary Hayes has retired from his Sr. Research Scientist position in BN Singh's lab.
	After 23 productive years in the laboratories of Harvey Penefsky, Rich Cross, and Tom Duncan, Marcus Hutcheon has left his Sr. Research Support Specialist position in our department for a position at Bristol. Marc, don't be a stranger!
	Elizabeth Jones joins the office staff as an SU work-study student.
	Adeseye Adekeye completed the PhD portion of her MD/PhD degree in Barry Knox's lab and has return to medical school here at Upstate.
	Wayne Decatur has joined Mark Schmitt's lab as an Instructional Support Technician.

The Berry group has been joined by visiting professor, Dong Hae Shin, and post-doctoral fellow, Mi-Sun Kim. They will be working on purification and crystallization of membrane proteins from pathogenic organisms. Dr. Shin is on sabbatical. Dr. Kim has a fellowship from her

country for structural studies on transporters of *Burkholderia pseudomallei*.

GRANT INFO:

Congratulations to Michael Cosgrove and Nilda Alicea-Velazquez who obtained a 15-month NIH diversity supplement totaling \$131,294.

Link to article in Upstate Online about the \$2M NIH grant that Stephan Wilkens obtained for a new NMR (reported in previous newsletter).

<http://upstateonline.info/static/Oct3-Oct102013/blog/story-1/index.html>

AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Congratulations to Adeseye Adekeye who completed the PhD portion of her MD/PhD degree with Honors on September 6th and Stuti Sharma who passed her Qualifying Exam on September 9th.

Steve Goodman is leading the 1st International Experimental Biology and Medicine Conference on October 28th and 29th in Shanghai, China. The topic of the International Conference will change each year. This year's topic is "Interdisciplinary Approaches to Cancer Research". Leszek Kotula, MD/PhD (our new adjunct faculty) will be one of the platform speakers on October 28th. Steve will be leading an EBM Workshop at the Conference.

The Conference comes only 3-4 months after the opening of the SEBM/EBM China Outreach Office at the Shanghai Cancer Institute, Shanghai Jiao Tong University. The Society of Experimental Biology and Medicine (SEBM) and its journal: *Experimental Biology and Medicine* now has offices in NYC, Washington D.C., King's College London, England, and the National Cheng Kung University in Tainan, Taiwan. Anyone wanting to learn more about SEBM or EBM can go to <http://www.sebm.org/>

Steve has been the Editor-in-Chief of EBM since July 2006 and would be happy to talk with anyone interested in the value added for members of SEBM.

Steve Hanes gave a talk entitled "The Ess1 Prolyl Isomerase Controls Transcription by RNA Polymerase II" at a conference "Cyclophilins and other Foldases: Cell Signaling Catalysts and Drug Targets", held at the Martin Luther University, Halle, Germany, on September 21st.

PERSONAL NEWS:

Stephan Wilkens and Xin Jie Chen ran their first Empire State Half-Marathon on October 20th and finished 11th and 39th in their age group (not respectively). Guess what were their finishing times and who was the faster runner.