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Annual Faculty Scholars Workshop Dinner

The 2015 Faculty Scholars Workshop Dinner was held at Dominick’s Restaurant on Tuesday June 9th and was attended by 30 people. The dinner welcomed Upstate faculty members who had attended a Faculty Educator Development Seminar, Faculty Toolbox workshop, or a Medical Education Journal Club meeting during the 2014-15 academic year.

The Keynote Speakers were Thomas Poole, PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology, and Joseph Stein, PhD, Pharmacology (center photo). They presented an interactive workshop, “Enhancing Leadership Skills in Medical Education.”

As Chair of the Faculty Educator Development Committee, Dr. Stein also welcomed the group with a presentation highlighting all of the faculty educator development events that were held during the 2014-15 academic year.

The annual event is sponsored by the Office of Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development.
**Honors & Awards ~ Congratulations to:**

**Sharon Brangman, MD, Medicine**, has been promoted to the rank of SUNY Distinguished Service Professor. This rank, SUNY’s highest academic rank, is awarded to individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary service at SUNY and in their community, as well as through regional and state outreach. Dr. Brangman is Chief of Geriatrics, she heads Upstate's Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program and directs the Central New York Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Center. In 2010-11, she served as President of the American Geriatric Society (AGS). In 2011-12, she served as chair of the ACS Board of Directors. She served as an expert panelist at the White House Conference on Aging and Agenda Development and was a member of the National Advisory Committee for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s project “Building Health Systems for People with Chronic Illnesses.” She is a fellow of the American Geriatrics Society and American College of Physicians, and has been named one of the "Best Doctors of the North East Region."

**Derek Cooney, MD, FACEP, Emergency Medicine**, Medical Director of Upstate's Physician Response Team, who also serves as Medical Director of Rural/Metro, was named 2015 Central New York Emergency Medical Services Physician of Excellence. The award recognizes Dr. Cooney’s contributions to the emergency medical services community, dedication, responsibility, professionalism and insight in the pre-hospital environment. In 2014, he co-directed the “Upstate Prehospital Medicine and Trauma Teaching Day: We Are One.” The initiative expanded collaborative attendance and EMS educational resources to hundreds of local providers from many agencies. Additionally, Dr. Cooney provides clinical oversight as program director for the EMS and Disaster Medicine Fellowship.

**Antonio Culebras, MD, Neurology**, was inducted as an honorary member of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Valencia, Spain on July 7th. Dr. Culebras serves as the neurology consultant for the Upstate Sleep Center and Professor of Neurology. Honorary membership is awarded by the Academy to medical doctors who are practicing physicians with academic merits, including publications, books and national/international presentations, and who have significantly advanced the medical sciences. Honorary members are invited to give a presentation prior to the induction ceremony, in which the honoree receives a certificate, medal and a pin. The title of the conference presented by Dr. Culebras was "Sleep apnea as a vascular risk factor: From origins to the present knowledge."
Leslie J. Kohman, MD, *Surgery*, is one of 23 individuals to receive a 2015 St. George National Award from the American Cancer Society. The award recognizes Dr. Kohman for demonstrating ongoing leadership in the community to further the society's mission to fight cancer. She began her volunteer career with the American Cancer Society in 2000 as a member of the Central New York Region's Advisory Board. In 2010, she was elected to the Eastern Division Board, where she now serves as the Chief Medical Officer. In addition, she currently serves as a member of the Syracuse market's Board of Advisors. She is an influential advocate for clean indoor air legislation, smoke-free campuses, and other tobacco-related issues, as well as access to care legislation.

Arnold M. Moses, MD, *Medicine*, was recognized by the American Physiological Society for being a member of the APS for more than 50 years in May of 2015. Dr. Moses is the director of the Metabolic Bone Disease program at Joslin Diabetes Center.

Adam Rufa, PT, DPT, *Physical Therapy Education-CHP*, received the American Physical Therapy Association Emerging Leader Award for his service to the New York Chapter of the APTA.

Bettina Smallman, MD, *Anesthesiology*, is the recipient of the PEB award in recognition of many years of commitment to the STEM program. May, 2015

Wendy Stockwin, MT(ASCP)SBB, *Clinical Laboratory Sciences-CHP*, will be awarded the American Society for Clinical Pathology Regional Member Award for the Northeast Region at the ASCP Annual Meeting in Long Beach, CA this October. This award honors laboratory professional members who promote and enhance the field of laboratory medicine through their contributions at the local level.

Upstate University Hospital has received the 2015 Outstanding Achievement Award by the Commission on Cancer (CoC) of the American College of Surgeons (ACS). The award acknowledges cancer programs that achieve excellence in providing quality care to cancer patients. Upstate is one of only 20 U.S. health care facilities with accredited cancer programs to receive this national honor for surveys performed Jan. 1 to June 30, 2015. University Hospital is one of only three institutions surveyed in 2015 to have earned four consecutive Outstanding Achievement awards.

Upstate Medical University and its College of Nursing have received the Health & BioSciences Sector Award from Partners for Education & Business Inc. Upstate was chosen for its initiatives in educating students and teachers about specific health careers through visits to schools, participating in career days, coordinating/participating in job shadows, tours and presentations at the hospital.
The following members of the faculty are recipients of a 2015 SUNY Chancellor’s Award and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 16th:

Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities: Steven L. Youngentob, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

Excellence in Teaching: Michael L. Vertino, MD, Neurology

Excellence in Faculty Service: Vincent E. Frechette, MD, Medicine

The following members of the faculty are recipients of a 2015 President’s Award, and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 16th:

Excellence in Faculty Service: Ronald D. Saletsky, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

Excellence in Teaching:
  College of Medicine, Clinical Department: Eugene A. Kaplan, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

College of Health Professions: Kevin M. Neville, PT, CCS, Physical Therapy Education

Binghamton Campus: Yahia M. Lodi, MD, FAHA, FANA, Neurology

Outstanding Voluntary Faculty:
  College of Nursing: Todd Olrich, MSN, Crouse Hospital

College of Health Professions: Ronald E. Angona Jr., MS, CCP, Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester

Binghamton Campus: Micah Lissy, MD, MS PT, ATC, CSCS, UHS, Binghamton General Hospital

The following individual has been selected to join The Academy of Upstate Educators and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 16th:

Pam Youngs-Maher, MEd, Educational Communications/IMT
Leadership in Service

International Leadership

Robert Cooney, MD, Chair, Surgery, traveled to China in May 2015 to be a plenary speaker at the Chinese Society of Critical Care Medicine and give talks as a visiting professor at Wuhan University, Shandong University and in Guangzhou, China.

National Leadership


William Grant, EdD, Emergency Medicine, served as an invited scientific reviewer, US NIH Neurological Disorders and Stroke, Multidisciplinary Research Programs: Hypothesis-Driven, Milestone-Drive Clinical Trials. Chicago, IL June, 2015.

George G. Holz PhD, Medicine, served as a grant reviewer, NIH Study Section, Cellular Aspects of Diabetes and Obesity (CADO), June, 2015.

James Knoll, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, has been elected Vice President of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (AAPL). This election to a preeminent position within the national organization of forensic psychiatry, together with his selection as an instructor of the AAPL review course, places him among the most highly regarded forensic psychiatrists in the country.

M. Saeed Sheikh, MD, PhD, Pharmacology, served on the Basic Mechanisms of Cancer Therapeutics-C (ZRG BMCT-C) study section, NIH, June 28-29, 2015.

Christopher Tanski, MD, Emergency Medicine, has been appointed to the 2015-16 EMS Committee through the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, served on the NIH/NIDDK Review Panel, Competition for the Continuation of the Diabetes Prevention Program Outcomes Study (DPPOS) (U01), June 22, 2015.
Yunlei Yang, MD, PhD, Neuroscience and Physiology, was appointed to the Editorial Board of the Neuro Open Journal for 2014-present. Dr. Yang was also appointed to serve as Editor of Insights in Cell Science for 2015-present.

State and Local Leadership

Robert E. Newmyer, MD, Pediatrics, accepted an appointment to serve on the Central New York Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (REMAC), representing the Department of Pediatrics and Division of Pediatric Critical Care and Upstate Golisano Children’s Hospital.

University Leadership

Ajay Jain, MD, Surgery, was appointed Cancer Liaison Physician (CLP) at Upstate University Hospital July 1, 2015. Dr. Jain is part of an exclusive network of 1,500 physician volunteers charged with the task of providing leadership and improving the quality of cancer care at our facility. CLPs are responsible for activities in five areas: (1) monitoring and interpreting the cancer program’s performance using National Cancer Database data to evaluate and improve the quality of care we provide; (2) reporting on CoC activities, initiatives and priorities to the cancer committee; (3) serving as liaison for the cancer program with the American Cancer Society; (4) being present during the CoC survey and meeting with the surveyor; and (5) completing an online report of his annual activities as the CLP.

Grants Awarded

Michael J. Costanza, MD, Surgery, PI
Bard Peripheral Vascular, Inc.
A Prospective, Multicenter, Single Arm, Real-World Registry Assessing the Clinical Use of the Lutonix 035 Drug Coated Balloon Catheter in Arteries of the Superficial Femoral Artery and Popliteal Artery
5/20/15-5/19/16

Wenyi Feng, PhD, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, PI
US Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity
Global Identification of Disease-Associated Genes in Fragile X Cells
7/01/15-12/31/16
$113,133
Grants

Christopher N. Fortner, MD, Pediatrics, PI
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
CF Fundamentals Learning and Leadership Collaborative
6/1/15-10/31/16
$17,280

Ajeet Gajra, MD, Medicine, PI
Celgene Corp.
A Phase II, Single Arm, Open-Label, Multi-Center, Safety and Tolerability Trial With Nab-paclitaxel (Abraxane®) Plus Carboplatin Followed by Nab-Paclitaxel Monotherapy as First-Line Treatment For Subjects With Locally Advanced or Metastatic Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) and an ECOG Performance Status of 2 (Abound.PS 2)
6/29/15-6/28/16

Steven D. Hanes, PhD, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, PI
National Science Foundation
Post-transcriptional Regulation by the Bin3-7SK-RNA Complex
8/15-7/18
$664,998

Heidi A. Hehnly, PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology, PI
NIH: National Institute of General Medical Sciences
Mother Centriole Appendages Regulate the AMIS Compartment and Cilogenesis
8/01/15-6/30/16
$738,646

Karol H. Kerr, MD, Pediatrics, PI
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Risk-Stratified Randomized Phase III Testing of Blinatumomab (IND#100135, NSC#765986) in First Relapse of Childhood B-Lymphoblastic Leukemia (B-ALL)
6/16/15-6/15/2016
$3,000

William G. Kerr, PhD, Microbiology & Immunology, PI
Corporate Funded
TAF Class of 2015 Spring: Defining the Most Potent SHIP 1 Inhibitory Drug Candidates for Blood Cell Recovery & Treating Obesity
7/30/15-2/01/16
$50,000

Stewart N. Loh, PhD, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, PI
NIH: National Institute of General Medical Sciences
Restoring the Missing Zinc: A Quantitative Investigation of p53 Hotspot Mutant Reactivation by Synthetic Metallochaperones for Cancer Chemotherapy
7/01/15-6/30/16
$116,782
Kenneth A. Mann, PhD, Orthopedic Surgery, PI
NIH: National Inst of Arthritis Musculoskeletal & Skin
Supraphysiologic Fluid Shear Stress as an Alternative Cause of Short-term Aseptic Loosening in Total Knee Replacements
8/01/15-7/31/16
$165,118

Andreas Meier, MD, MEd, Surgery, PI
Northwestern University
Multicenter Study of Operative Autonomy in General Surgery Residents using SIMPL., the Modified Procedural Autonomy and Supervision System (PASS)
6/01/15-5/30/15
$2,750

Dragos Mihaila, MD, Neurology, PI
Acorda Therapeutics
A 12-Month, Dose-Level Blinded Study Investigating the Safety and Efficacy of CVT-301 (Levodopa Inhalation Powder) in Parkinson's Disease Patients With Motor Response Fluctuations (OFF Phenomena)
4/08/15-4/7/16
$4,500

Sriram S. Narsipur, MD, Medicine, PI
ChemoCentryx, Inc.
A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Dose Assessment Phase 2 Study to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of CCX168 in Subjects with Anti-Neutrophil Cytoplasmic Antibody (ANCA)-Associated Vasculitis
4/15/15-4/14/16

Christopher G. Neville, PT, PhD, Physical Therapy Education- CHP, PI
BrainScope Company, Inc.
Objective Brain Function Assessment of mTBI from Initial Injury to Rehabilitation and Treatment Optimization (Cost Reimbursable)
7/22/15-3/22/16
$39,714

Cristina A. Pope, MS, MSM, AHIP, Health Sciences Library, PI
Stephen Weiter, MS, co-PI (@ ESF)
Explorations in Diversity
Jessica Pettitt: Safe Zone
9/16/15 and 9/17/15
$9,350

Rahul Seth, DO, Medicine, PI
Celgene Corp.
NAB-Paclitaxel (Abraxane) Plus Gemcitabine in Subjects with Locally Advanced Pancreatic Cancer (LAPC): An International, Open-Label, Multi-Center, Phase 2 Study (LAPACT)
3/26/15-3/25/16
**Grants**

**James F. Sexton, MD, Medicine, PI**
PTC Therapeutics, Inc.
A Phase 3 Efficacy and Safety Study of Ataluren (PTC124) in Patients with Nonsense Mutation Cystic Fibrosis
5/22/15-5/21/16

**Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, PI**
Jaeb Center for Health Research, Inc.
Use of HypoMap to Reduce Hypoglycemic Events in Type 1 Diabetes
6/01/15-01/31/16

**Ruth S. Weinstock MD PhD, Medicine, Site PI**
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
A Phase II Trial to Examine the Effect of Subcutaneous Exenatide (Bydureon) on Glucose Control in Patients with Type 1 Diabetes
2015-2017

**Ruth S. Weinstock MD PhD, Medicine, Site PI**
Calibra, Inc.
Glycemic Control and Treatment Satisfaction Using Finesse Versus Pen for Initiating Bolus Insulin Dosing in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Patients Not Achieving Glycemic Targets on Basal Insulin With/Without Anti-Hyperglycemic Agents
2015-2016

**Li-Ru Zhao, PhD, Neurosurgery, PI**
Neurosurgery Research and Education Foundation
The Role of Hematopoietic Growth Factors in Subacute Phase of TBI
7/1/15-6/30/16
$40,000

**Li-Ru Zhao, PhD, Neurosurgery, PI**
American Heart Association, Inc.
Mechanistic Determination of the Therapeutic Role of Hematopoietic Growth Factors in CADASIL
7/31/15-6/30/15
$66,000

**Publications**


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- Uchida M, Serra G, Zayas L, Kenworthy T, **Faraone SV**, Biederman J. Can unipolar and bipolar pediatric major depression be differentiated from each other? A systematic review of cross-sectional studies examining differences in unipolar and bipolar depression. *J Affect Disord* 2015 May 1;176:1-PMID: 25682377


- van Ewijk H, Groenman AP, Zwiers MP, Heslenfeld DJ, **Faraone SV**, et al. Smoking and the developing brain: Altered white matter microstructure in attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder and healthy controls. *Hum Brain Mapp* 2015 Mar;36(3):1180-1189

Publications


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**Joslin J**, et al. Special considerations in medical screening for participants in remote endurance events. *Sports Medicine* 2015 May;45:342


**Li F, Gorji, R**. Intraoperative neurophysiologic monitoring: What should an anesthesiologist need to know? *Case Bull Anesthes* 2015;1(5)


O'Dell RS, Cameron DA, Zipfel WR, Olson EC. Reelin prevents apical neurite retraction during terminal translocation and dendrite initiation. *J Neurosci* 2015 Jul 29;35(30):10659-10674


Weinstock RS, Drews KL, Caprio S, Leibel NI, McKay SV, Zeitler PS for the TODAY study group. Metabolic syndrome is common and persistent in youth onset type 2 diabetes: Results from the TODAY clinical trial. Obesity 2015; 23(7):1357-1361. PMID: 26047470


Yang Y. Astrocytes: Target in obesity. Oncotarget 2015, 6: 12835-12836

### Published Abstracts

**Ko P, Sarsfield M, Welch K, Grant W.** Introducing FOAM to 4th year medical students. *Acad Emerg Med* 2015 May;22 Suppl 1:S3-S449


### Books and Book Chapters


**Sah B, Iannuzzi MC.** Novel Pharmacotherapy of Sarcoidosis, in *Pharmacology & Therapeutics*. Elsevier


**Posters**


Daugherty M, **Bratslavsky G.** Outcomes of surgically treated t4m0, t4m1, and m1 patients with renal cell carcinoma. 2015 Annual AUA Meeting, New Orleans, LA, May 16-19, 2015


Wu J, **Chepurny OG, Leech CA,** Tomanik M, DiPoto M, **Holz GG.** Identification of GLP-1 secretagogues and TRPA1 as their biological target - new drugs for type-2 diabetes. Gordon Research Conference, Medicinal Chemistry, Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH, August, 2015

Hensley BJ, **Cooney R,** et al. Risk factors associated with 30-day readmissions: The upstate New York surgical quality improvement program experience in colorectal surgery. Annual meeting of the ASCRS, Boston, MA, June 2015

Hensley BJ, **Cooney R,** et al. 30-day readmissions; A snapshot of regional practice experience in colorectal surgery. 10th annual ACS NSQIP conference, Chicago IL, July 2015


Lillie JL, Alkins BR, **Granato PA.** Comparison of the AmpliVue GAS and the Lyra Direct Strep molecular assays with culture for the direct detection of groups a, c and G streptococci in pharyngeal specimens. American Society for Microbiology, New Orleans, LA, June, 2015

Reyman GC, **Granato PA,** et al. Rapid detection of gram-positive bacteria and resistance determinants directly from positive blood cultures using the iCubate iC-GPC assay. American Society for Microbiology, New Orleans, LA, June, 2015

**Holz GG, Chepurny OG, Leech CA,** et al. TRPA1 calcium channel activators as novel GLP-1secretagogues. American Diabetes Association 75th Scientific Sessions, Boston, MA, June 5-9, 2015


Du X, Meng Q, Cooney RN. Surfactant protein SP-D attenuates intestinal apoptosis in murine Staph. aureus pneumonia model. 38th Annual Conference on Shock, Denver, CO, June 2015

Newmyer R, et al. Outcome is associated with type of neurologic disease during specialized transport of children. 2015 Critical Care Congress, Society of Critical Care Medicine, Phoenix, AZ, January 2015. Also presented at the 2015 Mitchell P. Fink Scholar Day, University of Pittsburgh Department of Critical Care Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA, March 2015


**Presentations**

**International**


Presentations


**Stephen V. Faraone, PhD.** *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*, presented “Genetics of ADHD,” and “Toward a Taxonomy of Non-pharmacologic Treatments for ADHD” at the World Congress of ADHD Meeting, Glasgow, Scotland. May 2015.

**Stephen V. Faraone, PhD.** *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*, presented “Neurobiology of ADHD and Substance Use Disorders” at the annual meeting of the International Collaboration for ADHD and Substance Use Disorders, Stockholm, Sweden, June 2015.

**Stephen V. Faraone, PhD.** *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*, presented “Advances in the Genetics of ADHD and Autism Spectrum Disorders” at the annual meeting of the KG Jebsen Centre for Neuropsychiatric Disorders, Bergen, Norway, June 2015.

**Brian Johnson, MD.** *Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*, was a panel member for a symposium on “Repetition Compulsion and Death Instinct” at the 16th International Neuropsychoanalysis Congress, Amsterdam, Netherlands, July 2015.


**National**


**George G. Holz, PhD.** *Medicine*, presented "New TRPA1 Calcium Channel Activators As Novel GLP-1 Secretagogues" at the Department of Integrative Biology and Pharmacology, University of Texas Health Sciences Center, Houston, TX, April 6, 2015.

**George G. Holz, PhD.** *Medicine*, presented "New TRPA1 Calcium Channel Activators As Novel GLP-1 Secretagogues" at the Department of Pharmacology, University of Indiana School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN, April 21, 2015.

Presentations


Yunlei Yang, MD, PhD, *Neuroscience and Physiology*, presented “Astrocytic Bidirectional Control of Food Intake” at the Probiotics Summit (PBS-2015), San Diego, CA, July. 2015.

Community

Upstate Medical University's hour-long talk radio program, "HealthLink on Air" appears from 9 to 10 p.m. Sundays on WRVO Public Media. Each interview segment is archived at [www.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair](http://www.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair), as well. Many of the interviews draw on the expertise of Upstate faculty. To suggest an interview, please contact Amber Smith in Marketing & University Communications at smithamb@upstate.edu or 464-4822. The following members of the faculty participated in the past quarter:

Hugh Bonner, PhD
Terry Culbertson
James Greenwald, MD
Waleed Javaid, MD
Mark Marzouk, MD
Luis Mejico, MD
Deirdre Neilen, PhD
Richard O’Neill, PhD
Jessica Paonessa, MD
Howard Simon, MD
Howard Weinberger, MD

Robert Carhart, Jr., MD
Thomas Curran, MD
Moustafa Hassan, MD
Christian Knutsen, MD
Brendan McGinn, MD
Christopher Morley, PhD
Robert Olick, JD, PhD
William Paolo, MD
Anna Shapiro, MD
Dinesh Subedi, MD
Vaughn Whittaker, MD

Department News

The Department of Urology was awarded the President's Award for Community Service.
Promotions

Dale Avers, PT, MEd, DPT, PhD, FAPTA, College of Health Professions-Physical Therapy, was promoted to Professor (tenure previously granted).

Donald Cibula, PhD, Public Health & Preventive Medicine, was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, July 2015.

Michelle Dolphin, PT, DPT, MS, OCS, College of Health Professions-Physical Therapy, was promoted to Associate Professor.

Tasaduq Fazili, MD, Medicine, was promoted to Associate Professor, July 2015.

Marvin Heyboer, III, MD, Emergency Medicine, was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, July 2015.

Waleed Javaid, MD, Medicine, was promoted to Associate Professor, July 2015.

James Sexton, MD, Medicine, was promoted to Associate Professor, July 2015.

Bettina Smallman, MD, Anesthesiology, was promoted to Professor, July 2015.

New Faculty

Muhammad Arif, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Arif received his medical degree from Aga Khan Medical University and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He also pursued additional training in Gastroenterology at SUNY Upstate.

Nabamita Bisen, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Bisen received her medical degree from Calcutta Medical College and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She pursued additional training in Pulmonary & Critical Care and in Geriatric Medicine also at SUNY Upstate.

Rebecca Blue, MD, Assistant Professor, Emergency Medicine
Dr. Blue received her medical degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine and completed her residency at Orlando Health. She has been on the faculty of the University of Texas and Wright State University.
New Faculty

Eduardo Bonilla, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Bonilla received his medical degree from Universidad de Costa Rica and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Rheumatology also at SUNY Upstate.

Maureen Burke, MD, Assistant Professor, Obstetrics & Gynecology
Dr. Burke received her medical degree from Case Western Reserve University and completed her residency at Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons.

Bryant Carruth, MD, Assistant Professor, Ophthalmology
Dr. Carruth received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. He also pursued additional training in Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Albany Medical College. He has been a member of our voluntary faculty.

Debanik Chaudhuri, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Chaudhuri received his medical degree from the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Cardiovascular Disease also at SUNY Upstate and in Interventional Cardiology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

Helen C. Clancy, DNP, MBA, RN, LNHA, Assistant Professor, College of Nursing
Dr. Clancy earned a doctorate in Executive Nursing Leadership from the American Sentinel University and master's degrees in Nursing and Business Administration from Syracuse University. She has been faculty at schools of nursing throughout central New York and serves on the boards of multiple Syracuse/Onondaga County health and education service organizations.

Dominick DeMichele, MS, ED, RT, (R)(CT), Instructor, Radiography
Instructor/Clinical Coordinator, CHP-Medical Imaging Sciences
Mr. DeMichele had served as a Clinical Instructor for SUNY Upstate's Medical Imaging Sciences Program while in the Chief Radiologic Technologist post in a Syracuse Radiology Department. He had also held positions as Assistant Professor and Department Chairperson in two Radiologic Technology education programs in New York State.

Natasha Ginzburg, MD, Assistant Professor, Urology
Dr. Ginzburg received her medical degree from Drexel University College of Medicine and completed her residency at Montefiore Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery at Drexel University.

Aaron Glass, PhD, Instructor, Microbiology & Immunology
Dr. Glass received his doctoral degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed his postdoctoral training at Masonic Medical Research Laboratory.
Heidi Hehnly, PhD, Assistant Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology
Dr. Hehnly received her doctoral degree from the University of Iowa and completed her postdoctoral training at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Robert Hill, MD, Assistant Professor, Ophthalmology
Dr. Hill received his medical degree from and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He has been on the faculty at Ohio State University, Doctors Hospital and at SUNY Upstate.

Richard King, MD, Assistant Professor, Surgery
Dr. King received his medical degree from New York Medical College and completed his residency at Pennsylvania State University at Hershey Medical Center. He pursued additional training in Trauma/Surgical Critical Care also at Hershey Medical Center. He has served as a US NATO Medical Officer and as a staff physician in a US Air Force Clinic. He has been in private practice and on the faculty of University of Rochester and SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Karen J. Klingman, PhD, RN, PhD, Associate Professor, College of Nursing.
Dr. Klingman earned a doctorate in Nursing from SUNY Buffalo and a doctorate in Chemical Engineering from the University of Florida; her bachelor's degree in Nursing is from the University of Rochester. As a former research scientist for Eastman Kodak, she developed scale-up and technology transfer of photographic emulsions and commercialization of inkjet inks for which she holds a half-dozen US Patents. More recently, Dr. Klingman is interested in further developing her program of research in sleep studies with the goal of translating findings into meaningful practice through community collaboration.

Lioubov Leontieva, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences.
Dr. Leontieva received her medical degree from St. Petersburg State Medical Academy and received her doctoral degree from West Virginia University. She completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Shuhong Luo, EdD, MSN, RN, Assistant Professor, College of Nursing.
Dr. Luo earned a doctorate of Education from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, a master's degree in Nursing Informatics from University of Nebraska Medical Center, and bachelor's degree from the Peking University Health Science Center. She is working with the Dean and faculty of the CON to further advance e-learning creative environments.

Rajiv Mangla, MD, Assistant Professor, Radiology
Dr. Mangla received his medical degree from Sharma Postgrad Institute of Medical Science and completed his residency at Apollo Hospital Delhi. He pursued additional training in Neuroradiology, Vascular & Interventional Radiology, and Emergency Radiology & Advanced VIR, all at University of Rochester. He has been on the faculty of University of Rochester.
Matthew Mason, MD, Assistant Professor, Urology
Dr. Mason received his medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed his residency at The University of Virginia Health Sciences Center. He pursued additional training in Pediatric Urology at Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt.

Amitpal Singh Nat, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Nat received his medical degree from the Medical University of Lublin and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University and at the University of South Florida.

Robert Newmyer, MD, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics
Dr. Newmyer received his medical degree from Drexel University College of Medicine and completed his residency at Case Western Reserve University. He pursued additional training in Pediatric Critical Care at the University of Pittsburgh.

Kimberly A. Nolan, MLS, Senior Assistant Librarian, Health Sciences Library
Ms. Nolan earned a Bachelors Degree from Wells College and a Master's Degree from University at Buffalo. She comes to Upstate from the Louis Jefferson Long Library at Wells College in Aurora, NY, where she coordinated collections and managed the resource sharing and document delivery departments since 2006.

Michael Owen, MD, Assistant Professor, Neurosurgery
Dr. Owen received his medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed his residency at Case Western Reserve University. He has been on the faculty of Case Western and SUNY Upstate. He has been in private practice and on staff of other local hospitals.

Regina Rodman, MD, Instructor, Otolaryngology
Dr. Rodman received her medical degree from Rush University Medical College and completed her residency at University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.

Jesse Ryan, MD, Assistant Professor, Otolaryngology
Dr. Ryan received his medical degree from Mount Sinai School of Medicine and completed his residency at National Capital Consortium. He pursued additional training in Head & Neck Surgery/Microvascular Reconstruction at the University of Michigan.

Kathryn Scott, MD, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics
Dr. Scott received her medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed her residency at Hasbro Children’s Hospital – The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Hematology Oncology also at Hasbro Children’s Hospital.

Ryan Sidebottom, DO, Assistant Professor, Urology
Dr. Sidebottom received his degree of osteopathic medicine from Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his residency at Albert Einstein Medical Center.
Jennifer Singarayer, MD, Assistant Professor, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences. Dr. Singarayer received her medical degree from the University of London and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She pursued additional training in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at SUNY Upstate.

Avneet Singh, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Singh received his medical degree from Maulana Azad Medical College and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Cardiology also at Upstate.

Abirami Sivapiragasam, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Sivapiragasam received her medical degree from Tver State Medical Academy and completed her residency at Winthrop-University Hospital. She pursued additional training in Hematology-Oncology also at Winthrop.

Wei Song, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Pathology
Dr. Song received his medical degree from Shanghai Medical University and his doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He completed his residency at the University of Illinois. He pursued additional training in Molecular Genetics at Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and also in Surgical Pathology at Tufts Medical Center.

Parikshith Sumathi, MD, Assistant Professor, Anesthesiology
Dr. Sumathi received his medical degree from Kasturba Medical College and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Interventional Pain Medicine also at SUNY Upstate.

Rebecca Swan, MD, Assistant Professor, Radiology
Dr. Swan received her medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed her residency at Albany Medical Center. She pursued additional training at Boston Medical Center.

Zevidah Vickery, MD, Assistant Professor, Obstetrics & Gynecology
Dr. Vickery received her medical degree from the Medical School for International Health and completed her residency at Beth Israel Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Family Planning at Washington University School of Medicine. She joins us from private practice.

Zachary Williamson, MD, Assistant Professor, Medicine
Dr. Williamson received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Jan Wong, MD, Assistant Professor, Anesthesiology
Dr. Wong received her medical degree from SUNY Buffalo School of Medicine and completed her residency at Mount Sinai Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Anesthesiology at Children’s National Medical Center.
Faculty Governance

An election was conducted for the position of Senator and alternate Senator. Kerry Greene of Medical Imaging, CHP was elected for a second term and Maria Wheelock, CON, was elected as Alternate Senator.

The following individuals were elected to Upstate Faculty Committees for 3 year terms:

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
Gary Brooks (CHP)
Kaushal Nanavati (COM)
Susan Wojcik (COM)
Cristina Pope (Library)

UPSTATE AFFAIRS
Joan O'Brien (CHP)
J.C. Trussell (COM)
Wendi Ackerman (Library)
Steve Grassl (CGS)

FACULTY AFFAIRS
Susan Graham (CHP)
Jim Vossler (CHP)
Amy DeBlois (CHP)
Brian Thompson (COM)

OPERATIONS
Maria Wheelock (CON)
Amy Slutzky (Library)

In Memoriam

Georgette B. Henry, 85, the calm, classy, and gracious wife of former Upstate President John Bernard Henry, died on July 4. Mrs. Henry grew up in Elkland, PA, and graduated from Robert Packer School of Nursing in Sayre, PA. During this time she met her future husband, the late John B. Henry, MD. They lived in several cities as they pursued a career in academic medicine and eventually settled in Skaneateles in 1963 when Dr. Henry came to Upstate to oversee clinical pathology at the new University Hospital. As her husband grew professionally, eventually becoming Dean and Chair of the executive faculty at Georgetown University School of Medicine and President of the State University of New York's Upstate Medical University, it was Mrs. Henry who was the foundation and backbone of support for her husband and family.
She will be remembered as a woman of uncommonly great grace and dignity, whose life illuminated and enlightened those of others. Mrs. Henry is survived by six children: Maureen (Thom A. Mayer, M.D.) of Great Falls, VA, Julie P. Henry, M.D. (Peter J. Paganussi, M.D.) of Oakton, VA, William B. Henry of Reston, VA, Paul (Robyn Whalen) B. Henry of Eureka, MT, John (Melissa) B. Henry, Jr. of Skaneateles and T. David Henry of Savannah, GA, as well as 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. To send condolences visit robertdgrayfuneralhome.com

Dave S. Packard, Jr, PhD, a long-time Cell and Developmental Biology faculty member, passed away on July 1. Dr. Packard served on the Upstate faculty for over 28 years (1973-2002) and his research contributed greatly to the body of work that addresses the treatment of birth defects. He also merged his personal ham radio hobby with Upstate’s interests, helping to form an emergency response group made up of Upstate faculty and staff with similar skills. Dave leaves his wife, Marianne (Laprade) Miles; his children, Melinda Miles, Christopher (Joanna) Miles, and Brett Packard; three grandchildren in whom he delighted - Kaya and Simbi Duplan, and Emily Miles; a sister, Kristen Awrich; brothers, Joel (Regina) and Bob Packard, and many close Packard and Channell family. A Celebration of David's Life was held in the Ballroom at the Holiday Inn, Exit 37, Liverpool, NY on Saturday, July 11.

Faculty Development - Upcoming Events

Please RSVP to Michele Henderson at (hendermi@upstate.edu) or telephone (315-464-1681) if you are interested in attending any of the following events.

Faculty Development Seminar Series – Tuesday Sept. 22, 2015 12-1pm Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library

“Creating Video Clips for Educational Lectures”

Presenter: Bruce Searles, MS, CCP, Associate Professor & Director of Cardiovascular Perfusion – College of Health Professions

~ Lunch will be provided ~
New Faculty Orientation -  **Wednesday September 30, 2015**
2-5 PM  Doust Board Room (9299 WHA) and 9th Floor Cafeteria– Weiskotten Hall

This is a chance to be welcomed by the leadership of the university, and to learn more about the resources that are available to new faculty as you begin your Upstate career. Feedback from past participants has been great, they especially appreciated the opportunity to meet colleagues from other departments and colleges. So, please save the date, more information will follow.

**What:** Interactive sessions with Upstate leaders in research, education and clinical service  
**When:** Wednesday September 30th from 2-5 PM  
**Where:** 9th floor of Weiskotten  
**Why:** To get a great start  
**What else:** A wine and cheese reception will follow at 5PM, with department chairs and **all other faculty members** invited.

Spouses/partners are invited to attend the afternoon portion of the orientation and the reception. Watch for your invitation in the office mail within the next few weeks and please remember to RSVP.

Medical Education Journal Club -  **Monday October 5, 2015**
12-1pm  
Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

“Learn, See, Practice, Prove, Do, Maintain: An Evidence-Based Pedagogical Framework for Procedural Skill Training in Medicine”

Taylor Sawyer, DO et al

*Journal of Academic Medicine*

*Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology and Ann Botash, MD, Professor, Pediatrics*

~ Lunch will be provided ~
Upcoming Events

Path to Promotion Workshop – Tuesday October 6, 2015
12-1 PM
Room 1164 Weiskotten Hall
(Roosevelt Conference Room)

College of Medicine Faculty - Assistant Professor to Associate Professor Workshop:
Paula Trief, PhD, Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, will present:
“The Road Ahead: Standards and Criteria for Promotion”
Steve Taffet, PhD, Vice Chair, College of Medicine Faculty Appointments & Promotions Committee (COM FAPC) will give an overview of what happens at each COM FAPC Meeting.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Path to Promotion Workshop – Wednesday October 7, 2015
7-8 AM
Room 10405 A 10th Floor-East Tower -University Hospital
(Oncology Services Floor)

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~ A Light Breakfast will be provided ~

Faculty Development Seminar Series – Tuesday October 27, 2015
12-1PM
Room 3113 Wsk

“Using Journals and e-Portfolios to Assess Students”

Presenter: Mara Kaufmann, APRN, CNE, Associate Professor, College of Nursing

~ Lunch will be provided ~
Upcoming Events

Path to Promotion Workshop – Wednesday October 28, 2015
12-1 PM
Room 1164 Wsk
(Roosevelt Conference Room)

College of Medicine Faculty - Associate Professor to Professor Workshop:
Paula Trief, PhD, Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, will present:
“The Road Ahead: Standards and Criteria for Promotion.”
Leslie Kohman, MD, Chair, College of Medicine Faculty Appointments &
Promotions Committee (COM FAPC) will give an overview of what happens
at each COM FAPC Meeting

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Path to Promotion Workshop – Thursday October 29, 2015
7-8 AM
Room 10405 A 10th Floor-East Tower -University Hospital
(Oncology Services Floor)

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The Academy of Upstate Educators Announce…

The B.E.S.T. Program
(Build Excellent Skills for Teaching)

October 14 and 21, 2015
8-10 AM
Room 1507 Setnor Academic Bldg
This is a 4 session course (2 sessions per workshop).

Topics include:
- How to create a safe learning environment
- How to actively engage the learner
- How to provide effective feedback
- How to deliver an effective presentation

Prior to each class, you will receive a brief content video. The in-class time will provide interactive experiences to build skills (e.g. role plays, small group discussions). Participants say that this format is highly engaging and interesting.

100% of past participants said they would recommend this course to others.

“There were helpful tips for people who already have years of experience and those who are newer to the classroom.”

“Great course!”

“It was interesting and contained information to help instructors to put their ‘best foot forward!’”

**WHEN**: Two consecutive Wednesdays in October

**Wednesday October 14th and Wednesday October 21st, 2015**
**8 – 10 AM**
**Room 1507 Setnor Academic Bldg**

You **must** register by **Wednesday October 7th**. Please contact Michele Henderson via telephone at 464-1681 or e-mail at hendermi@upstate.edu

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Announcing…

ACADEMY OF UPSTATE EDUCATORS
AUE COACHES: A Teaching Consultation Service

Offering a teaching consultation service to members of Upstate’s Teaching Faculty

The mission of the Academy of Upstate Educators (AUE) is to promote innovation and excellence in education at Upstate. The members of the Academy can share their wide range of educational abilities with any member of the faculty who seeks to better his/her educator skills. The Academy is pleased to announce the “AUE Coaches: A Teaching Consultation Service”.

Please feel free to request an AUE Coach Consultation if you would like:

- someone to observe your teaching and provide constructive feedback to improve your teaching skills
- guidance on ways to improve your assessment process
- assistance with design of a new curriculum or revamping of an old one
- to share ideas about any education-related issue

The process is simple.
Go to our website, www.upstate.edu/facultydev/academy
Click on “AUE Coaches Service.”
Complete the brief form and submit it to Michele Henderson. She will forward it to the appropriate Academy member, who will contact you to proceed.
Faculty Development - Website Calendar
~ For more information on all upcoming events, please visit the Faculty Affairs Website “Events Calendar”

Be Sure to Visit our “Events Calendar” on the Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development Website

To access the calendar, simply go to the home page of "faculty affairs and faculty development" http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/ and then click on the "Events Calendar" in dark blue (on the left side of our home page). Once you have accessed the calendar, you will see various events posted that might be of interest to you and/or members of your department. To obtain more information, simply click on the event. You will see titles, presenters, times, locations, contact information, etc. Please Note: these events have been copied to Upstate's main website calendar as well. (Accessed from the top of the Upstate home page.)

Notes & Corrections:

Please Note:

1. In an effort to keep the Faculty Commons manageable, we will be concentrating on external presentations and service.

2. Please remember – we do not include any publications, books, book chapters, etc. that are currently “in press”. Please wait until you have publication information before you include these submissions.

Useful Website Links:

Promotion and Tenure Information
http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/promotion.php

Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development
http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/

Faculty Governance
http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/

"I represent our Office of Faculty Affairs, and my staff and I are committed to developing the potential of all faculty and see them succeed and thrive". Please feel free to call or email for more information:

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