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2012 New Faculty Orientation and Reception

The 2012 New Faculty Orientation was held on October 2, 2012. Faculty members who recently joined SUNY Upstate Medical University attended the event and received helpful information about our campus. A wine & cheese reception was also held that evening and new faculty members were welcomed by members of Upstate’s leadership, Chairs and other colleagues. Thank you to Dr. David Smith and Dr. David Duggan for their warm welcome speeches. We would also like to thank presenters; Julie White, PhD, Student Affairs, Lynn Cleary, MD, Academic Affairs, Cristina Pope, SUNY Health Sciences Library, Barbara Humphrey, Research Administration, Dongliang Wang, PhD, Center for Research & Evaluation, and Grace VanNortwick, Chief of Staff – College of Medicine, for their contributions. Thank you to Dale Avers, PT, DPT, PhD, College of Health Professions - Physical Therapy for her exercise presentation. A special thanks to the chairs, campus leaders, other members of the faculty, and to all those who attended as well as those who helped to make this such a successful event again this year!
Honors and Awards

Congratulations to:

Dale Avers DPT, PhD, Physical Therapy Education, CHP, received the Loretto Legacy Award for contributions to Loretto and the community for aging adults’ well being.

College of Medicine has received a $25,000 award from the American Council on Education (ACE) and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation for its promising practices in career flexibility for academic physicians. Upstate was one of only seven national medical schools that were recognized through a competitive process, five with support for increasing faculty career flexibility, and two for innovative practices. Upstate was specifically recognized for its innovative "trackless" promotion system for the College of Medicine faculty. David Duggan, MD, interim dean of Upstate's College of Medicine, and Paula Trief, PhD, senior associate dean for faculty affairs and faculty development, accepted the award on behalf of the university at ACE's Board of Directors meeting Sept. 24 in Washington, D.C.

Leadership in Service

National Leadership

Hugh W. Bonner, PhD, FASAHP, Dean and Professor, College of Health Professions, has been elected to serve a three-year term on the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). He brings his expertise as an academic dean to the ACEND board. Dr. Bonner has a great deal of experience in specialized health professions education accreditation. He finished a term as President of the Commission on Accreditation for Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) which accredits more than 2,000 allied health education programs; he served as a board member of Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC), and he is currently a member of National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) Board of Directors.

Christopher J. Fullagar, MD, Emergency Medicine, has been elected to a two-year term as president elect of the Air Medical Physician Association (AMPA). With more than 400 members nationally and internationally, AMPA represents extensive expertise in the field of medical transport.
Leadership in Service

Robert M. Kellman, MD, Professor and Chair, Otolaryngology & Communication Sciences, was elected president of The American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and Vice President of the American Board of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the AAFPRS Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. on Sept. 7, 2012. Dr. Kellman brings 35 years of experience to the academy. The American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery is the world's largest specialty association for facial plastic surgery, representing more than 2,700 facial plastic and reconstructive surgeons throughout the world.

Leadership in Education

David E. Kolva, MD, Family Medicine, was one of 5 SUNY-wide faculty selected to participate in the Partners in Innovation and Leadership in Online Teaching [PILOT project] with the education specialists of the SUNY Empire State College. Dr. Kolva was involved with using internet-based social media to teach "Introduction to Rural Health" at SUNY Upstate Medical University and was invited to attend the project results presentation at the 7th Annual Center for Distance Learning Conference at Saratoga Springs, NY on April 27, 2012.

Grants Awarded

Christopher G. Neville, PhD, PT, Physical Therapy Education, PI
NIH– National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases
Kinematic and Kinetic effect of Orthotic Devices for Subjects With Stage II Posterior Tibial Tendon Dysfunction
9/2012–8/2015 $403,875

Michael Roe, PhD, Medicine, PI
NIH-National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases
Molecular Physiology of Store-Dependent Calcium Entry in Pancreatic Beta Cells
8/2012–6/2016 $1,940,711

Margaret Turk, MD, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation & Pediatrics, Co-PI
Christopher P. Morley, PhD, Family Medicine, Co-Investigator
CDC/NCBDDD, 5 year Coordinating Center grant; 3 institutions (University of South Carolina, SUNY Upstate Medical University, and American Association for Health and Disability)
Disability Research and Dissemination Center
9/2012 – 9/2017 $28,000,000
Publications


Sorbellini M, Bratslavsky G. Decreasing the indications for radical nephrectomy: A study of multifocal renal cell carcinoma. Front Oncology 2012;2:84

Singer EA, Vourganti S, Lin KY, Gupta GN, Pinto PA, Rastinehad AR, Linehan WM, Bratslavsky G. Outcomes of patients with surgically treated bilateral renal masses and a minimum of 10 years of followup. J Urology Dec 2012;188


Gajra A. Geriatric thoracic oncology: Gaining momentum. J Geri Oncol 2012 April;3(2):79-81


Gopaluni S, Martinez-Balzano C, Graziano S. Gastric bypass surgery as an intervention for obese patients with hemochromatosis. *QJM* 2012 Apr;28. [Epub ahead of print]


Yan D, Hutchison RE, Mohi G. Tyrosine 201 is required for constitutive activation of JAK2V617F and efficient induction of myeloproliferative disease in mice. *Blood* 2012 Aug 30; 120(9):1888-1898. PMID: 22837531


Paolo WF. A letter to my alma mater. *Acad Emerg Med* 2012 Sep;19(9):E1116


Pies R. Was the bereavement exclusion originally based on scientific data? *World Psychiatry* 2012 Oct;11(3):203


**Published Abstracts**

**Neville C, et al.** Tracking changes in tendon morphology using high frequency ultrasound after wearing various ankle braces. Section on Research Regenerative Medicine Retreat, Java Center, NY Aug. 2012

**Weinstock, RS, et al.** For the T1D Exchange Clinic Network. Characteristics of older adults with Type 1 diabetes: Data from the T1D Exchange. *Diabetes* 2012; 61(51): 1374

**Books and Book Chapters**


**Posters**

**Ansoanuur F, Kanter D, Turk MA.** Decreased function in a young man with cerebral palsy following bilateral orchiectomy secondary to cancer. 66th annual Meeting of American Association for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine, Toronto, Ont, CA, Sept. 2012


Brenner J, Kent P, Wojcik S, Grant W. Bedside reduced lead electroencephalography can be used to make the diagnosis of nonconvulsive status epilepticus in the emergency department. 2012 International Conference on Emergency Medicine, Dublin, Ireland, June 2012


Heyboer M, Jennings S, Morgan M. Hyponatremia – relative contraindication requiring screening prior to start of hyperbaric oxygen therapy? UHMS Scientific Meeting, Phoenix, AZ, June 2012.


Ko P. Effectiveness of CPR based on CPR certifications. SAEM Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, May 2012


Nikolavsky D. Repair of primary vs recurrent vesicovaginal fistulas: There is no difference in outcome. Northeast AUA Meeting, Niagara Falls, NY Sept. 2012


Presentations

International

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, presented “Recent Trends in Minimally Invasive and Robotic Surgery”, at the First Conference of the Egyptian Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, Cairo, Egypt, Sept. 2012.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, presented “New in Oncological Urology in 2011-2012”, at the Russian Association of Oncourology (RAOU), Moscow, Russia, Oct. 2012.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, presented "Upper Tract Transitional Cell Carcinoma: New Standards of Care", at the International Urologic Oncology Symposium, Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, NY, Aug. 23-26, 2012.

Richard Cantor, MD, Emergency Medicine, presented “A Current Literature Review in Pediatric Emergency Medicine” at the 2012 International Conference on Emergency Medicine, Dublin, Ireland, June 2012.

Richard Cantor, MD, Emergency Medicine, presented “Dermatologic Presentation of Concern to PEM Physician” and “The Top Articles of the Year” at the International Conference in Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, March 2012.


Robert J. Weber, MD (chair) and Margaret A. Turk, MD, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, presented a workshop series entitled “The Rehabilitation and Disability Continuum for Stroke” at the 2nd Education Conference of the Chinese Association of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Kunming, China, Aug. 2012.


Andrij R. Wojtowycz, MD, Radiology, presented “CT Colonography”, Ultrasound Examination of the Gallbladder” and “Acute Pancreatitis: CT Diagnosis and Classification” at the IX International School-Seminar "Practical Issues of Modern Imaging in the Clinic", L’viv, Ukraine, Aug. 2012.
Presentations

National


Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, *Urology*, was the Co-Moderator, of the Oncology Poster Session of the Northeast AUA Meeting, Niagara Falls, NY, Sept. 2012.


State & Local


Paula M. Trief, PhD, *Dean's Office and Dept. of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*, presented a workshop titled "Being an Effective Mentor: Reflections and Challenges" at the annual development meeting of the Syracuse University Advance program: "SU Advance: Conversations on Equity and Excellence," Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, Sept. 2012.
Community

Jonathan VB Riddell, MD. Urology, Appearance on Newschannel 9, YNN and CNY Central – see links.

Promotions

Ann Barker-Griffith, MD, Ophthalmology, was promoted to Professor, October 2012
Brian Changlai, MD, Medicine, was promoted to Assistant Professor, August 2012
Shernaz Hurlong, DO, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, was promoted to Associate Professor, October 2012

New Faculty

Joan Dolinak, MD, Assistant Professor, Surgery
Dr. Dolinak received her medical degree from Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and completed her residency at Akron General Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Surgical Critical Care at the University of Pittsburgh Medical College and in Burn Surgery at Vanderbilt University. She joins us from Akron General Medical Center.

Robert Dunton, MD, Assistant Professor, Surgery
Dr. Dunton received his medical degree from Albany Medical College and completed his residency at Hartford Hospital and Boston Children’s Hospital. He pursued additional training in Cardiothoracic Surgery at New England Deaconess Hospital. He has been on the faculty at Harvard Medical School, Wesley Medical Center, Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center and most recently Bon Secours Heart Institute-Columbia University Medical Center.

Andrea Dvorak, MD, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics
Dr. Dvorak received her medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed her residency at Geisinger Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Hematology-Oncology at the University of Wisconsin.

James Foster, MD, Chair, and Professor with Tenure, Anesthesiology
Dr. Foster received his medical degree from the London Hospital Medical College and completed his residency the University of Toronto. He pursued additional training as a clinical and research fellow at The Hospital for Sick Children. He has been on the faculty of the University of Rochester and SUNY Buffalo.
**New Faculty**

**Shalinee Jha, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*
Dr. Jha received her medical degree from BP Koirala Institute of Medical Sciences in Nepal and completed her residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

**Richard Kopp, PhD**, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*
Dr. Kopp received his doctoral degree from SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry.

**Unzila Nayeri, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*
Dr. Nayeri received her medical degree from Stanford University School of Medicine and completed her residency at Yale University. She pursued additional training in Maternal-Fetal Medicine also at Yale.

**Eddie Sze, MD**, Associate Professor, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*
Dr. Sze received his medical degree from St. George’s University School of Medicine and completed his residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Pelvic Surgery here at Upstate and in Urogynecology and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery at Good Samaritan Hospital. He has been on the faculty of Mercer University School of Medicine, East Carolina University School of Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine and West Virginia University School of Medicine.

**Karen Teelin, MD**, Instructor, *Pediatrics*
Dr. Teelin received her medical degree from the University of Massachusetts and completed her residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She pursued additional training in General Pediatrics/Adolescent Medicine also here at SUNY Upstate.

**Nikhil Thakur, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Orthopedic Surgery*
Dr. Thakur received his medical degree from Dartmouth Medical School and completed his residency at Brown Alpert Medical School. He pursued additional training in Trauma at Brown Alpert and in Spine at Emory University.

**Brian Thompson, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*
Dr. Thompson received his medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed his residency at the University of Texas, Galveston. He has been a faculty member here at SUNY Upstate, has been in private practice and most recently on staff at Syracuse Community Health Center.

**Gary Winslow, PhD**, Professor, *Microbiology & Immunology*
Dr. Winslow received his doctoral degree from the University of Colorado and completed his post-doctoral fellowship at Howard Hughes Medical Institute. He has been on the faculty of the University of Albany and joins us from the Wadsworth Center.
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.

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Medical Education Journal Club - Monday November 19, 2012
12-1pm
Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

(Journal Article to be Announced)
Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology and Howard Weinberger, MD, Professor, Medicine

~ Lunch will be provided ~

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Faculty Development Seminar Series - Tuesday November 27, 2012
12-1pm
Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library

“Speed Interviewing Applicants”

Presenter: Jennifer Welch, Director of Student Admissions

~ Lunch will be provided ~
Upcoming Events

Medical Education Journal Club -  Monday December 17, 2012
12-1pm  Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

(Journal Article to be Announced)
Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology
and Howard Weinberger, MD, Professor, Medicine

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Faculty Development Seminar Series -  Tuesday January 22, 2013
12-1pm  Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library

“The TALK Program”

Presenter: Stephen Knohl, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Medical Education Journal Club -  Monday January 28, 2013
12-1pm  Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

(Journal Article to be Announced)
Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology
and Howard Weinberger, MD, Professor, Medicine

~ Lunch will be provided ~
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/