

ENVISION

(v. To form a mental picture of something that may occur or be possible in the future.)

WELCOME

Dr. Alan Schwartz recently announced that Drs. Brian Hackett and Bess Marshall will assume leadership of the Office of Faculty Development. Effective 2/18/09 Brian will serve as Director and Bess, Associate Director of this Office. Both have long and distinguished careers. Brian joined us as a Fellow in Newborn Medicine in 1989, is an active physician-scholar and has exceptional experience in mentorship. Bess, a physician-scientist in Pediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes, joined us in 1990 and has a long commitment to clinical pediatrics, education and research.

Congratulations!

Promotions

The Executive Faculty approved the following appointments effective 1/1/09.

Thomas W. Ferkol, Jr., MD
Professor of Pediatrics

Sherrie M. Hautt, MD
Professor of Pediatrics

Dennis J. Dietzen, PhD
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Albert Faro, MD
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Kathryn L. Plax, MD
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Rachel C. Orscheln, MD
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics



Abby Hollander, MD, was appointed Interim Director of the Pediatric Endocrinology & Diabetes Division, effective 12/1/08.

Welcome to Jennifer Albertina, MHA, BSN, Executive Director for Business Affairs and Strategic Planning of the Department of Pediatrics, effective 1/2/09.

Department of Pediatrics Research

Funded Awards

PI	Award
Mark Manary	Gastes Foundation
Jose Pineda-Soto	Robert Wood Johnson
Jose Pineda-Soto	NIH RO1 Subcontract
Joshua Rubin	NIH RO1
Jose Saenz	NIH F31
Thomas Ferkol	CFFF Sub
Robert Strunk	NIH Sub
Neil White	NIH UO1 Renewal

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Pediatrics Research Retreat 2009



The 2009 Department of Pediatrics Research Retreat will take place on Friday April 3, 2009 at the History Museum in Forest Park. Elective and out-patient clinical activities have been suspended for that day, and all faculty and fellows in the Department (with the exception of division-selected core care providers) are expected to attend and participate.

Dr. Se-Jin Lee, Professor of Molecular Biology and Genetics from Johns Hopkins University, will be the keynote speaker for the 2009 Retreat. Dr. Lee studies mechanisms of regulation of tissue growth. Among his many contributions, his lab discovered the molecule myostatin, a key regulator of muscle mass. His ongoing studies have important clinical implications with respect to strategies for management of muscle wasting in primary diseases and as a secondary consequence of diseases like sepsis and cancer.

Once again, the Retreat Program will feature a venue in which senior Department of Pediatrics trainees present their academic work during a poster session. All 3rd year fellows are expected to submit an abstract and present a poster. Others in the Department are also invited and have been encouraged to submit abstracts for poster presentation. A subset of the abstracts will be selected for oral presentations, with priority for these limited spots given to Senior Fellows. With your support, we look forward to another exciting Retreat!

Pediatrics Research Retreat Planning Committee



David Rudnick
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Phil Tarr

Neil White



CRTC Third Annual Career Development Retreat

The Clinical Research Training Center will conduct its Third Annual Career Development Retreat for trainees, scholars, mentors and faculty on Friday, June 26, 2009, Moore Auditorium, 8:00 am—12 pm.

Keynote speaker will be Kenneth S. Polonsky, MD, Adolphus Busch Professor of Medicine, Professor of Cell Biology and Physiology, Chairman, Department of Medicine and Director, Institute of Clinical and Translational Sciences. Previous retreat topics have included administrative responsibilities of a PI, building a research team, transitioning to independent research funding and managing research data.

Questions should be directed to: Mary Favazza, mfavazza@im.wustl.edu

Women in Pediatrics Breakfast



The next Women in Pediatrics Breakfast, will be held Friday, April 17, 2009, 8-9:15 am in Room 5S28, SLCH. It will be presented by Brian Hackett & Bess Marshall. Topic will be work/life balance. Please join us!

Office of Faculty Affairs—Thursday Topics

The Office of Faculty Affairs continues to hold the free weekly lunchtime “brown bag” workshop series from 12-1 pm in Schwarz Auditorium.

March Topics

March 19: **In the Spotlight: How to Shine During a Media Interview**

Presenter: Joni Westerhouse, Executive Director for Medical Communications, Medical Public Affairs. In this session, members of the University’s Office of Medical Public Affairs office will teach faculty how to effectively conduct a media interview.

March 26 **Communicating with Colleagues, Collaborators & Staff**

Presenters: Monique Williams, MD and Catherine Striley, PhD. In this session the following topics will be addressed: Optimizing constructive communication at all levels, successfully managing challenges in communication, pearls for written communication, and resources for assistance and guidance.

For further information, contact Kim Vaninger at vaningerk@wustl.edu or (314) 747-0808.

April Topics

The Office of Faculty Affairs is joining the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research for a special brown bag lunch program entitled “Research Connections.” This series is open to the entire School of Medicine community (faculty, postdocs, residents, fellows, students, and staff) and will present helpful as well as essential information about conducting research at Washington University. Each session will be held in Schwarz Auditorium, 1st floor Maternity Building, from 12-1 p.m.

April 2: **Grants and Contracts, Finding Funding, Proposal Development, Collaborations, Proposal Management, Contracts/Subcontracts.**

Presenters: John Michnowicz, Director, Grants and Contracts; and Natalie Goodwin-Frank, Funding Resources Coordinator.

April 9: **Institute for Clinical and Translational Sciences and Center for Applied Research Sciences: Budget/Negotiations, Contracting, Regulatory Issues, Ethics, Research Coordinator Support.**

Presenter: John Newcomer, MD, Medical Director, Center for Applied Research Sciences.

April 16 **Research Compliance**

Presenter: Denise McCartney, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research Administration.

April 23 **Research Governance**

Presenter: Samuel Stanley, MD, Vice Chancellor for Research.

April 30: **Intellectual Property/Technology Issues**

Presenter: Blythe Burkhardt, Office of Technology Management.

For further information, contact Karen Dodson in the Office of Faculty Affairs at 362-4181 or at karen.dodson@wustl.edu.

Association of Women Faculty



A Town Hall Meeting on Diversity

Monday, March 30, 2009 - 4:00-6:00 p.m. — Olin Women's Building

Patricia Jones, Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity at Stanford University, will speak on

"Building Excellence Through Faculty Diversity: Institutional Implementation"

The Town Hall will be lead by a Distinguished Faculty Panel:

Professor Diana Gray, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs at the Medical School

Professor Fatemeh Keshavarz, Chair of Asian and Near Eastern Languages and Literatures

Professor John Baugh, Director of African and African American Studies

Reception to Follow — For more information or to RSVP - messbar@artsci.wustl.edu, 314-935-5478

Recipe Corner

Linguini with Clam Sauce



Doug Carlson, MD



Ingredients:

- 8-10 oz. Linguini
- 2 Tablespoons olive oil
- 4—6 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 3 small cans minced or chopped Clams (separate & save juice from clams)
- 1-2 oz. white wine
- Salt & pepper to taste
- 1 Tablespoon butter
- 2 Tablespoons chopped parsley
- Parmesan cheese, grated

Directions:

Cook linguini according to directions. Add olive oil to skillet and sauté garlic cloves for 15 seconds. Do not brown. Add clam juice from all 3 cans. Add white wine and salt and pepper to taste. Reduce by 1/3 and add clams, butter and toss with cooked linguini. Place in bowl and add chopped parsley and grated Parmesan cheese to taste. Serves four.



Update – Department of Pediatrics Faculty Survey

We apologize for the delay in the release of the Pediatric Faculty Survey. As noted in the November Newsletter, this survey will “mirror” the previous Washington University 2006-07 Faculty Climate Survey. The Pediatric Faculty Survey will now be released through Survey Monkey by the end of March. Again, please take the time to complete it, as this information is important for program development by the OFD.



We would like to thank Dr. Angela M. Sharkey for her commitment to the Office of Faculty Development. Her vision and energy were essential in creating the office and its accomplishments over the last 3 years.



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