Department of Pediatrics Newsletter

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I. IMPORTANT DATES

March 2, 2011: Annual Faculty-Resident Winter Party. 6:30PM-10:30PM at Hotel Deca’s Grand Ball Room in Seattle. All residents (coverage provided), families, and faculty are welcome to attend. Prizes will be awarded for select categories related to the theme “A Night in Monte Carlo” (i.e. Best Theme Costume). Please RSVP to Pam Burke (pam.burke@seattlechildrens.org).

March 5, 2011: Continuing Medical Education: Urgent Pediatric Problems: Bridging Office and Emergency Care. 7:30AM-4:00PM in Wright Auditorium at Seattle Children’s. Hosted by the Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, this CME course for the pediatric community will include talks from several members of the division and a keynote address by Steve Krug, MD, Chief of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Children’s Memorial Hospital in Chicago. Registration closes March 2, 2011. Registration forms and other details are available online www.seattlechildrens.org/healthcare-professionals/education/cme/calendar/

April 8, 2011: Duncan Seminar: Communication Strategies for Young Children with Physical Disabilities. All day event. Register online at www.seattlechildrens.org/healthcare-professionals/education/outreach-conferences

April 22, 2011: Fellows’ Research Day. 8:00AM-3:00PM in Soundgarden Conference Room at Seattle Children’s Research Institute. Oral and poster presentations will be given by fellows, leading off with a keynote presentation by Diana W. Bianchi, MD, Professor of Pediatrics and of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Tufts University School of Medicine, and Vice-Chair for Research in the Department of Pediatrics at Tufts Medical Center – Boston. All fellows (MDs, PhDs, and Post Docs) are invited to submit an abstract. The abstract submission deadline is Friday, February 25, 2011 at 5:00pm. For registration information and questions contact Sharon Whitson (sharon.whitson@seattlechildrens.org or 206-987-5870).

July 22-23, 2011: Seventh Annual Pediatric Bioethics Conference. A two-day session at Bell Harbor International Conference Center in Seattle. Through presentations, panel discussions, and breakout sessions, leaders in the field of pediatric bioethics will discuss issues around the theme “Who’s Responsible for the Children? Exploring the Boundaries of Clinical Ethics and Public Policy”. Register online (http://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=931417) or contact Kathie Kohorn (kathie.kohorn@seattlechildrens.org or 206.987.5379) with questions.

September 19-23, 2011: SAVE THE DATES for this year’s Intern Retreat. The retreat has been an integral part of intern education for the past 35 years. The interns spend this week participating in workshops to promote communication skills and professionalism. Your support during this week of education and bonding is greatly appreciated by all of the interns and faculty. Coverage will be needed for Medicine Teams, Emergency Room, Medically Complex Children, Newborn Nursery (UW) and Neonatal Intensive Care (UW). More information forthcoming. Questions? Contact Pam Burke (pam.burke@seattlechildrens.org).

Please see our Department Calendar for a complete list of upcoming events and more information:
http://www.washington.edu/medicine/pediatrics/about/events
II. CHANGES TO CURRENT FACULTY

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III. FACULTY NEWS & AWARDS

**Dr. Aaron Wightman** won the outstanding research award at the Academic Pediatric Association regional meeting in California in January. He presented a study that he completed with **Drs. Ed Marcuse, Jim Taylor, and Doug Opel** on pediatricians’ attitudes regarding alternative vaccination schedules.

**Lucas Hoffman, MD, PhD,** received a four-year NIH Independent Scientist Award from the NHLBI. This $100,116 per year award is for his project “Pseudomonas aeruginosa early CF adaptive changes: A translational study.”

**Jane Burns, MD,** was awarded a $150,000 grant from the Washington State Life Sciences Discovery Fund (LSDF) for her project “Non-Invasive Detection of Pseudomonas aeruginosa in the Exhaled Breath of Individuals with Cystic Fibrosis.”

**John McGuire, MD,** and co-investigators, **Drs. Jerry Zimmerman, Jason Debley, Thida Ong, Lincoln Smith,** David Goodlett, Sina Gharib, and Rob DiBlase have been awarded an Institute of Translational Health Sciences Pilot Grant for their study “Proteomic analysis of exhaled breath condensates (EBC) in pediatric acute lung injury.”

**Dr. Lincoln Smith’s** abstract, “The Inflammatory and Injury Responses of Juvenile and Adult Mice Treated with Lipopolysaccharide and Mechanical Ventilation,” was accepted for oral presentation at the 2011 International ATS Conference in Denver.

IV. FACULTY PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS


**Catherine Karr, MD, PhD, MS:** Adding fuel to the fire: increasing evidence for developmental toxicity of indoor solid fuel combustion. Karr C. Arch Pediatr Adolesc Med archpediatrics.2011.6.


**Drs. Nadine Choueiter, Aaron Olson, Danny Shen and Michael Portman:** Prospective open-label trial of etanercept as adjunctive therapy for kawasaki disease. Choueiter NF, Olson AK, Shen DD, Portman MA. J Pediatr. 2010 Dec;157(6):960-966.

**Jane Burns, MD:** Evolution of Pseudomonas aeruginosa virulence in infected patients revealed in a Dictyostelium discoideum host model. Lelong E, Marchetti A, Simon M, Burns J, van Delden C, Köhler T, and Cosson P. Clin Microbiol Infect, in press; published online 3 Feb 2011.


**Karen Murray, MD:**


Please let us know of your latest publications, awards, and honors by emailing Brooke Freed: brooke.freed@seattlechildrens.org

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