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DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS NEWSLETTER*

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1. IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, September 10, 5-6:30PM: Meeting of Professors and Associate Professors to discuss promotions. Wright Auditorium.

Monday, September 24, by 5:00 PM: The Autumn 2007 round of the Royalty Research Fund (RRF) Proposals are due Monday, September 24, by 5:00 PM. The application, packet, and information about previous awards may be found on the Office of Research website at: <http://www.washington.edu/research/rrf.html>. Contact the RRF program staff, Barbara Thompson (bthomps@u.washington.edu), and Peter Wilsnack (doogieh@u.washington.edu), if you have questions about the program.

September 28-29: Centennial celebration- Medical Symposium and Alumni reunion, Children's Hospital and Grand Hyatt Seattle. The Symposium is complimentary.

All participants must pre-register. Space is limited and *Registration will close August 1, 2007.* Contact Kathie Kohorn, CME Coordinator kathie.kohorn@seattlechildrens.org for the form.

October 3, 2007: ABSTRACT DEADLINE for the Western Society for Pediatric Research Meetings January 30-February 2, 2008 in Carmel, California. Contact Curt Bennett, MD, President-Elect, WSPR, with any questions: fbennett@u.washington.edu

October 15, 2007: Save the date for the next **FACULTY MEETING**, 5:30-8:30PM in Sound Café at Children's.

2. CLINIC IMPROVEMENTS

Special recognition goes to **Gastroenterology** – In July 63% of new patient visits were scheduled within 14 days, which was an improvement from 44% in May and 51% in June (total # of new visit appts = 189). Thank you Dr. Christie, Annelize Grobler and the GI team!

Special recognition for *median new appointment* wait times in July goes to **GI** – for dropping their wait time to less than 13 days (compared to 18-21 days last quarter) and **ID/Virology**, for having YTD median wait times of 14 or less.

3. FACULTY NEWS

Anne Stevens, MD, PhD, was awarded a research grant award by the Lupus Foundation of America, Inc. (LFA), for her work entitled *Colony PDL1 as a Marker of Disease Activity in Pediatric Systemic Lupus Erythematosus*. The amount of the award is \$66,500 for 1 year, effective October 1, 2007.

Jason Debley, MD, MPH, was selected as the 2007 GCRC Pediatric Young Investigator Award recipient.

Dr. YaeJean Kim was awarded a travel grant to attend the 6th International Respiratory Syncytial Virus Symposium. She was also selected by the Clinical Immunology Society to participate in a course for Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases and was awarded travel grants.

Dr. Kevin Urdahl received a pilot grant from the University of Washington, Research Royalty Fund for \$40,000 over a 1 year period to test the hypothesis that exposure to non-tuberculous mycobacteria in the environment induces T regulatory cells that cross-react with *M. tuberculosis* and have the capacity to suppress protective immunity during tuberculosis.

Brian D. Johnston, MD, MPH is the new editor of the journal *Injury Prevention*, a BMJ publication.

In August 2007, **Dr. J. Craig Jackson** completed the two-year Executive Masters of Health Administration degree at the University of Washington. In addition to continuing his clinical and administrative responsibilities, he hopes to use his new training to support CHRMC and UW Medicine in strategic planning and business development for neonatal and obstetrical services.

Third-year neonatal fellow **Dr. Marcella Mascher-Denen's** proposal "Effects of neonatal stress and erythropoietin on vulnerability to hypoxic-ischemic brain injury" to the INO Therapeutics Advancing Newborn Medicine Grant Program was selected for funding, \$7,500.

Dr. Mascher-Denen received the Best Basic Science Research Presentation Award at the 32nd AAP District VIII Perinatology Section Annual Meeting in July, New Mexico, for her presentation "Epo is not essential for embryonic bowel development."

Joseph T. Flynn, MD, MS has been invited to join the editorial board of the *American Journal of Hypertension*, effective January, 2008.

Ikuyo Yamaguchi, MD, PhD was selected as a recipient of a 2007 Siegel Award from the American Society of Nephrology. The award is for \$100,000 annually and is a two-year award.

Dr. Taraneh Shafii received a K23 for her project entitled: Brief Clinician Intervention for High-Risk Behavior in Adolescents.

5. FACULTY PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Drs. Fred Rivara, Peter Cummings, Sarah Ringold, Abraham Bergman, Alain Joffe, and Dimitri Christakis: A Comparison of Reviewers Selected by Editors and Reviewers Suggested by Authors. *Journal of Pediatrics*, Aug 2007.

Suchdev P, Ahrens K, Click E, Macklin L, Evangelista D, Graham E. A model for sustainable short-term international medical trips. *Ambul Pediatr.* 2007 ; 7: 317-20.

Graham, EA, Wallace CA, Stapleton FB. Developing women leaders in medicine at the grass roots level: evolution from skills training to institutional change. *J Pediatr* 2007; 151: 1-2.

Bruder Stapleton, MD: The Creation of the Council of Pediatric Subspecialties: Addressing the Needs of the Subspecialties and Subspecialists. *Sectish*, Stapleton, Schnaper, Degnon, Behrman. *Journal of Pediatrics* August 2007.

Bruder Stapleton, MD, presented an address to the incoming medical students and their parents at the University of Kansas School of Medicine "White Coat" Ceremony, August 3, 2007 in Kansas City, KS. The title was "Somewhere over 39th and Rainbow".

Dr. David Loren, presented three workshops at the 3rd International Conference on Patient & Family Centered Care, July 30-August 1, 2007, Seattle, WA, sponsored by the Institute for Family Centered Care:

- 1) "Parental Involvement in Quality Improvement Programs: Discovering the Core Values of a Newborn Intensive Care Unit"
- 2) "Parents as Faculty: Changing Intensive Care Provider Behavior One Voice at a Time"
- 3) "When Beginnings Are Endings: An Education Program to Guide Pediatric Trainees in End of Life Language in the Newborn Intensive Care Unit"

Drs. Ikuyo Yamaguchi, Jesus Lopez-Guisa, Xiaohe Cai, Sarah Collins, Daryl Okamura and Allison Eddy: Endogenous urokinase lacks antifibrotic activity during progressive renal injury. *Am J Physiol Renal* 2007.

Mascher-Denen M, McPherson RJ, Kapur RP, Juul SE. Characterization of developing bowel transplanted from transgenic erythropoietin receptor-deficient mouse embryos. *Neonatology* 2007 Jul 25; 93: 56-63 [Epub ahead of print]

Suskind DL, Murray KF. Increasing the mutation rate for JAG1 mutations in Alagille patients. *Hepatology* 2007;46(2):598-599.

Joseph T. Flynn, MD, MS:

1. Metabolic Syndrome as a Predictor of Cardiovascular Risk in Children and Adolescents
Reviewer Critique, *AJH* 2007; 20:883

2. Treatment of hypertension in children and adolescents. Marc B. Lande & Joseph T. Flynn
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Taylor JA, Brownstein D, Klein EJ, Strandjord TP. Evaluation of an anonymous system to report medical errors in pediatric inpatients. *J Hosp Med*. 2007;2:226-233.

Ken Feldman, MD, chapters in the new Child Fatality Review Text:

17. Feldman KW. Burns injuries in child fatality review. For: *Child Fatality Review: An interdisciplinary guide and photographic reference*. Alexander R, ed. GW Medical Publishing Inc. St Louis, Mo. 2007;281-296.

18. Feldman KW. Drowning in child fatality review. For: *Child Fatality Review: An interdisciplinary guide and photographic reference*. Alexander R, ed. GW Medical Publishing Inc. St Louis, Mo. 2007;311-318.

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Cheung KJ Jr, Li G, Urban TA, Goldberg JB, Griffirth A, Lu F, **Burns JL**. Pilus-mediated epithelial cell death in response to Burkholderia cenocepacia. *Microbes Infect.* 2007 Jun; 9(7): 829-37. Epub 2007 Mar 12. PMID 17537663

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Peck AJ, Englund JA, Kuypers J, Corey L, Morrow R, Cent A, Boeckh M. Respiratory virus infection among hematopoietic cell transplantation recipients: evidence for asymptomatic parainfluenza virus infection. *Blood*, 14 May 2007 online publication, print version *in press* (1 Sept 2007).

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Scott-Browne JP, Shafiani S, Tucker-Heard, G, Ishida-Tsubota, K, Fontenot JD, Rudensky AY, Bevan MJ, and **Urdahl KB**. 2007. Expansion and function of Foxp3-expressing T regulatory cells during tuberculosis. *J. Exp. Med.* *In press* (published online 8/20/07).

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