Kelley named associate director of basic research

Mark Kelley, PhD, has been appointed associate director of basic research at the IU Cancer Center. Dr. Kelley, the Jonathan and Jennifer Simmons Professor of Pediatrics, also serves as co-leader of the Experimental and Developmental Therapeutics Program of the IUCC and associate director of the Wells Center for Pediatric Research.

In his new role, Dr. Kelley will have both cancer research and educational responsibilities. He will oversee all basic science activities of the IUCC, including stimulating interdisciplinary research collaboration, evaluating new research opportunities and overseeing the center’s shared facilities. He will recommend basic research space assignments and also have a major role in mentoring young investigators.

Dr. Kelley received his doctoral degree in genetics from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, La. He completed a postdoctoral fellowship in molecular biology at Rockefeller University in New York prior to serving as assistant professor at Loyola University Medical School in Chicago. He joined the IUSM faculty in 1993.

RSVP for the Gold Humanism Honor Society induction ceremony

IUSM has received a grant from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation to establish a chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society. By encouraging the creation of chapters in medical schools around the country, the Gold Foundation seeks to honor senior medical students, residents, role-model physician teachers and other exemplars who demonstrate excellence in clinical care, leadership, compassion and dedication to service.

Forty senior students will become the charter class of the newly formed chapter on Nov. 30. IUSM faculty, staff and their guests are invited to attend the induction dinner and ceremony at the Omni Severin Hotel, 40 West Jackson
Place. The reception begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner 7 p.m.

Tickets are $40 each, and reservations may be made by Wednesday, Nov. 16, by calling 274-4556 or by email at meca@iupui.edu. For additional information on the Arnold P. Gold Foundation and the Gold Humanism Honor Society, see humanism-in-medicine.org/.

OMSL’s Rock for Riley a success

Grammy-award winning alternative band Wilco hit center stage at the Murat Theatre Oct. 13 for a fund-raising concert for Riley Hospital. The event, Rock for Riley, is hosted by the IUSM Office of Medical Service-Learning. This year’s event raised more than $200,000.

This was the second annual Rock for Riley. What began as an inspiration of Greg Berman, MS 4, now has become a successful reality. An eight-fold increase over last year’s donations was made possible by a local family foundation’s challenge grant which matched all donations by Riley faculty, staff and departments up to $100,000.

For more information, visit www.RockForRiley.org. People interested in helping with with a donation of time or money for next year’s show may contact Joe Frank at jfrank@iupui.edu.

The Office of Medical Service-Learning (OMSL) promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through 15 innovative service-learning experiences for medical students. Service-learning refers to organized volunteer service activities which further the education objectives of IUSM competencies. OMSL is directed by Patricia Keener, MD.

Biomedical collaboration grants available

The pilot program Collaboration in Biomedical Research, which promotes biomedical research collaboration between IUSM and Purdue University, is now in its second year. The program will provide funding for up to seven projects at a level of $50,000 each, to enable researchers from the two universities to team up on work that is likely to spawn larger ongoing programs and attract outside funding.

The deadline for proposals is 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14.

For more information, see adminfinance.iusm.iu.edu/operations/CBR.htm.

December deadline for ACS grants

The American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grants are to assist young investigators – assistant professors or assistant scientists – in starting research projects and to foster cancer research on the IUSM campus at Indianapolis and the regional centers.

The deadline for submitting applications is Thursday, Dec. 1. Forms may be obtained from Liz Parsons in the IU Cancer Center office, room 455, Indiana Cancer Pavilion. She can be reached by phone at 278-0078, or email her at eparsons@iupui.edu. The IUCC fax number is 278-0074.

The applications (8-10 pages, no recycled RO1 applications) will be reviewed by the ACS Institutional Research Grant Committee, which is chaired at IUSM by Leonard Erickson, PhD. Investigators receiving granting must submit an interim and a final progress report, required by the ACS.

Typically these ACS grants are in the amount of $15,000 to $20,000, and are for the period Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2006.
Investigators who have received prior funding from the ACS or who have significant funding from other sources are not eligible to apply. Limited support for partial salary may be allowed. All applicants must be U.S. citizens or submit proof of approval for a green card.

VA research grant applications wanted

The VA Medical Research Service at the Roudebush VA Medical Center seeks applications for small research grants up to $25,000 directed at the study of discrete projects intended to produce preliminary data in support of a future application for a VA Career Development Award, Merit Review Entry Program or Merit Review Grant.

The deadline for submission is Wednesday, Dec. 21.

Eligible applicants should be clinician investigators with an academic rank not exceeding assistant professor. Full details regarding the eligibility criteria as well as submission instructions may be found at http://adminfinance.iusm.iu.edu/operations/VA%20YIA.htm

UN Food Programme presentation Nov. 17

James T. Morris, executive director of the UN World Food Programme, will present “Hunger, Health and Children” in a special lecture at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, in the University Library auditorium, room 0130.

Hunger is believed by many to be the biggest threat to health worldwide. In 2004, more people died of hunger and malnourishment than from AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis combined. An estimated 17 million underweight babies are born each year to mothers that are undernourished. The UNWFP was organized 40 years ago as a three-year experimental program; it now is the world’s largest humanitarian agency.

Morris became the tenth executive director of the program in April 2002. The organization is the world’s largest food aid organization. In 2003, the UNWFP fed 110 million people in 82 countries and received $3.8 billion in new contributions.

Morris served as president of Lilly Endowment Inc. from 1985-1989, and later was chairman and CEO of the IWC Resources Corporation and Indianapolis Water Company. In 2002, he was appointed UN Secretary General Kofi Annan’s Special Envoy for Humanitarian Needs in southern Africa.

He received his bachelor’s degree in political science from IU and an MBA from Butler University. Morris has served in leadership roles on several corporate boards, including serving as the former chairman of the Board of Trustee at Indiana University.

The lecture is presented by the Global Health Student Interest Group at IUSM, the Program in Medical Humanities at the IU School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI, and the Baker-Ort Chair in International Healthcare Philanthropy at the IU Center on Philanthropy.

Hurricane Katrina in hindsight

A panel discussion and dialogue about the public health response to the devastation brought about by Hurricane Katrina will be held from 5:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, in the VanNuys Medical Science Building, room 326.
Experts in the fields of biological, social and behavioral sciences from the Indiana State Department of Health, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indiana State Department of Homeland Security and Purdue University’s Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN) Project will lead the free discussion.

For more information, contact Enid Zwirn at 278-0377.

John Shaw Billings lecture Nov. 30

Charles Hazelrigg, DDS, IU associate professor of pediatric dentistry, will narrate “A Pictorial History of Central State Hospital, Part 2” from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, in room 301 of the Ruth Lilly Medical Library. Refreshments will be served at 3:30 p.m.

Part I of the series was presented in 2003. Those who did not see the initial portion will still be able to appreciate the sequel. The presentation is one of the John Shaw Billings Lecture series.

NIH Loan Repayment Program deadline Dec. 1

The NIH Loan Repayment Programs application cycle will close in less than five weeks on Dec. 1.

The five LRPs offered by the NIH include the Clinical Research LRP, Clinical Research LRP for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds, Contraception and Infertility Research LRP, Health Disparities LRP and Pediatric Research LRP.

Through these programs, the NIH offers to repay up to $35,000 annually of the qualified educational debt of health professionals pursuing careers in biomedical and behavioral research. The programs also provide coverage for federal and state tax liabilities.

To qualify, applicants must possess a doctoral-level degree, devote 50 percent or more of their time (20 hours per week based on a 40-hour work week) to research funded by a domestic non-profit organization or government entity (federal, state or local), and have educational loan debt equal to or exceeding 20 percent of their institutional base salary. Applicants must also be U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or U.S. nationals to be eligible.

All applications for 2006 awards must be submitted online by 8 p.m. Eastern time, on Thursday, Dec. 1. The online application and detailed information about the LRPs are available at www.lrp.nih.gov, or by calling 866-849-4047.

IUPUI campus recycling questionnaire

The IUPUI Recycling Committee is interested in the experiences and opinions of faculty, staff and students with the IUPUI campus recycling program. All are invited to complete a short survey at surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=128591337353. The responses will help us examine how different opinions and experiences influence personal recycling on the IUPUI campus and the effectiveness of the current program.

M Plan insurance coverage changes

The contract between Indiana University Psychiatric Management and Methodist Medical Group (for M Plan members)
will terminate Jan. 1. This means all patients, including IU employees and their covered family members, who have M Plan insurance, will no longer have access to IU Department of Psychiatry behavioral health faculty at “in-network” rates.

Some M Plan products have no – or very limited – provision for out-of-network coverage for behavioral health. Therefore, some individuals insured through M Plan may have no coverage if they are seen by Department of Psychiatry faculty. This includes services provided by psychiatry faculty at Riley Hospital, IU Hospital and other sites.

IU employees who wish to continue to access Department of Psychiatry behavioral health faculty with in-network coverage are urged to choose an Anthem PPO product (IU-PPO Plus or IU PPO $900 Deductible) during open enrollment in November. Employees who continue M Plan coverage can elect to receive services from Department of Psychiatry faculty, but they may be responsible for a significantly larger portion of their charges.

IUPM regrets any hardship this may cause patients and physicians. Despite sincere negotiation, they were unable to obtain a reimbursement rate suitable to cover expenses.

Questions about coverage or ongoing care should be directed to Gerri Voreis, LCSW, Methodist Medical Group, at 865-6925.

**America’s Top Docs recognizes 50 at medical center**

Fifty IUSM faculty physicians who practice at the Wishard Health Services, Roudebush VA Medical Center and Clarian Health Partners – Methodist, Indiana University and Riley Hospitals – have been recognized as top specialists in their fields and included in the 2005 issue of *America’s Top Doctors*.

Statewide, *America’s Top Doctors* listed 64 physicians, of which 50 are affiliated with the IU Medical Center and Clarian Health Partners. The annual publication focuses on the top 1 percent of specialists and sub-specialists across the nation. Fewer than 1 percent of the hospitals in the United States have more than one doctor listed in the guide.

*America’s Top Doctors* is published by Castle Connolly Medical Ltd, and is an authoritative consumer guide to the nation’s top specialists. The list of physicians is generated based on nominations by their peers and extensive surveys.

IUSM faculty recognized in the 2005 edition of *America’s Top Doctors*, their areas of specialization are:

- Sharon P. Andreoli – Pediatric Kidney Disease
- Jerry Bergstein – Pediatric Kidney Disease
- John W. Brown – Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Randall Caldwell – Pediatric Cardiology
- William Chernoff – Plastic/Reconstructive Surgery
- John J. Coleman III – Plastic Surgery
- Michael Econs – Endocrinology
- Lawrence Einhorn – Hematology-Oncology
- Erica Eugster – Pediatric Endocrinology/Diabetes
- Robert Fallon – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
- Martin Farlow – Neurology
- J. Dennis Fortenberry – Adolescent Medicine
- Richard Foster – Urology
- Robert Goulet, Jr. – Breast Cancer
- Jay Grosfeld – Cancer Surgery
- Matthew Johnson – Interventional Radiology
- Young-Jee Kim – Pediatric Pulmonary
- John Kincaid – Neurology
- Martin B. Kleiman – Pediatric Infectious Disease
Joseph Croffie, MD, and Sandeep Gupta, MD, IU pediatric gastroenterologists, have received WOW! Awards from Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. Physicians are nominated for WOW! Awards by staff or family members to express their appreciation for physicians who practice the Deaconess credo: Courtesy, Respect, Empathy, Dignity, Optimism.

Joseph Fitzgerald, MD, FAAP, professor of pediatrics and the founding director of the Section of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition, recently received the 2005 Murray Davidson Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Gastroenterology and Nutrition. This award recognizes significant contributions to the field of pediatric gastroenterology and nutrition as a clinician, educator, and scientist.

James Lemons, MD, the Hugh McK. Landon Professor of Pediatrics and director of the Section of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, recently received the March of Dimes Medical Honoree Award at the organization’s annual award ceremony.

Chris Lindblade, MD, a pediatric cardiology fellow at IUSM, received the Metcoff Award at the recent Midwest Society for Pediatric Research meeting in St. Louis. The award is presented annually to a fellow to honor an outstanding research presentation. Dr. Lindblade's study was entitled "Comparison of Impedance Cardiography to Direct Fick and Echocardiographic Measurement of Cardiac Index in Children."

Praveen Mathur, MBBS, FCCP, has received the Distinguished Fellow Award from the American College of Chest...
Physicians during the group’s annual meeting in Montreal, Quebec earlier this month. Dr. Mathur is a professor of medicine in Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the Indiana University School of Medicine. The honor is not an annual award but is conferred as appropriate to an ACCP Fellow who has held a leadership position in the ACCP and has led significant society achievements.

This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13, to *Sound Medicine*, the weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. The program is hosted by Barb Lewis. Co-host of this week’s program is Ora Pescovitz, MD.

Guests will include IUSM dermatologist Stephen Wolverton, MD, who will discuss the new federal guidelines for Accutane and how these stringent rules will affect the thousands of Americans who use the acne drug.

Stephen Bogdewic, PhD, and Deborah Allen, MD, will discuss the recently opened family medicine clinic in a downtown Indianapolis office building. Not the ordinary medical office, patients are phoned when the doctor is ready for them, saving time away from their office. Dr. Allen is the medical director of IU Family Medicine Clinic and is a general family practice physician. Dr. Bogdewic practices family counseling at the new office.

Richard Frankel, PhD, will talk about the positive effects of physicians apologizing to patients when an error has occurred. Dr. Frankel is the co-author of the study "Patient Reports of Preventable Problems and Harms in Primary Health Care,” published in the July/August 2004 issue of Annals of Family Medicine. He is a senior research scientist at the Regenstrief Institute and research sociologist in the Health Services Research Unit at the Roudebush VA Medical Center.

Tune in Sunday, Nov. 20, to learn more about the adverse events associated with cox-2 inhibitors and the painful consequences for patients, immunizations and staying healthy, antibiotic-resistant bacteria and advances in hysterectomy surgery.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at soundmedicine.iu.edu/.

Scientific Calendar online

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at imsewell@iupui.edu.

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