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Brater to assume newly created position at IU

The Indiana University Board of Trustees on Friday expanded the responsibilities of IU School of Medicine Dean D. Craig Brater, M.D. As of Jan. 1, he also will serve as the vice president for life sciences, a newly created position at IU.

The appointment was made on the recommendation of IU President Adam W. Herbert, who has made strengthening and developing the life sciences at IU and across the state a top priority of his presidency.

"The life sciences area is now our highest university priority," Herbert told trustees at the monthly board meeting in Indianapolis. "Its overall leader, strategic thinker and spokesperson should be a senior officer of the institution."

Dr. Brater's new responsibilities will include coordinating the university's life sciences strategic plan in collaboration with the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at IU Bloomington, the vice president for research and the chancellor of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.

"IU has established some very aggressive goals for the life sciences, and these goals will require more collaboration than ever before between scientists in our basic research laboratories in Bloomington and basic and medical researchers at the School of Medicine in Indianapolis," Dr. Brater said. "One of my goals will be to leverage these assets in such a way as to make IU one of the top medical research centers in the nation."

His responsibilities also will include working with university lobbyists to represent IU's life science interests within the Statehouse, in Washington and with potential private sector partners; serving as the primary liaison in health-related matters with Clarian Health Partners and representing IU with other life science organizations in Indiana.

Dr. Brater was appointed dean of the IU School of Medicine, the second largest medical school in the country, in 2000. As dean, he oversees an annual budget of approximately \$800 million, including more than \$200 million in research

funding. He will continue reporting to IUPUI Chancellor Charles Bantz in this capacity. In his additional role as vice president for life sciences, Dr. Brater will report to Herbert.

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Rescorla, Wiebke receive named professorships

Frederick Rescorla, MD, has been named the Lafayette F. Page Professor of Pediatric Surgery, and Eric Wiebke, MD, will become the J. Stanley Battersby Professor of Surgery, pending approval by the IU trustees.

Dr. Rescorla was named surgeon-in-chief at Riley Hospital for Children in July. He joined the IUSM Department of Surgery in 1988. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin Medical School, Dr. Rescorla completed his surgical internship, residency and fellowship at IU Medical Center.

The Lafayette F. Page Professorship was established by the Riley Children's Foundation in 1982 and was first held by Jay Grosfeld, MD, the long-time director of the Section of Pediatric Surgery and later chairman of the IU Department of Surgery. Dr. Page graduated from the Indiana Medical College in 1888 and in his later years was a tireless supporter of Riley Hospital, campaigning statewide to raise money for the hospital.

Dr. Wiebke joined the IUSM Department of Surgery in 1991. He was named director of the Section of General Surgery in 2004. He received his medical degree from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and completed an internship and junior residency at the Department of Surgery at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. He did a medical staff fellowship in surgical oncology at the National Cancer Institute and received additional residency and fellowship training at The Churchill and John Radcliffe Hospitals in Oxford, England, and The Johns Hopkins Hospital. In 2003, he completed an MBA at the IU Kelley School of Business.

The Battersby Professorship was established in 1986 by Dr. Battersby's friends, colleagues and former residents. He is the Willis D. Gatch Professor Emeritus of Surgery at IUSM, where he became the first full-time member of the Department of Surgery in 1943.

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Bogdewic to hold Copeland Professorship

Stephen Bogdewic, PhD, has been named the first Dr. George W. Copeland Professor of Family Medicine pending approval by the IU trustees.

The Copeland Professorship was established in 2001 by the estate of Dr. Copeland's daughter, Aldean Copeland Winslow, in honor of her father. Dr. Copeland graduated from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. He practiced as a country doctor in southern Indiana at a time when physicians made house calls by horse and buggy and accepted barter for payment from patients who had no money.

Dr. Bogdewic will retain his current titles of executive associate dean for faculty affairs and professional development, adjunct professor of medicine and of pediatrics and professor, part-time, of public and environmental affairs in the School of Public and Environmental Affairs.

Dr. Bogdewic joined the IUSM faculty in 1992. He holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from the Wheeling (W. Va.) Jesuit University, a master's degree in marriage, family and child counseling from Santa Clara (Calif.) University and a doctorate in adult and higher education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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Data Center scheduled power outage

To facilitate the completion of several large projects involving electrical upgrades, UITS will power down the Wrubel (Bloomington) Data Center on Monday, Jan. 2. All university computing services delivered from Bloomington to all campuses will not be available from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. Jan. 2. This includes email, financial information systems, student systems, Oncourse, IUIE, human resources system and most IU web pages.

The university network will not be affected and Identity Management systems will be available so those with IU logins can access systems not housed in the Bloomington center. This means that local departmental systems and systems housed in the IUPUI Data Center will still be accessible.

The work is necessary to expand the electrical capacity of the data center and to replace obsolete electrical equipment. The date was chosen in consultation with University Facilities and the University Architects and work is expected to be completed by 5 p.m. on Jan. 2.

Contact the ISTM Help Desk at 274-5336 with questions.

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Indiana 21st Century Fund issues new request for applications

The Indiana 21st Century Research and Technology Fund is again soliciting proposals designed to develop and commercialize advanced technologies in Indiana with an emphasis on academic and commercial-sector partnerships.

The fund now is part of the Indiana Economic Development Corp., the public-private development corporation created this year by the Indiana General Assembly to replace the Indiana Department of Commerce. The fund offers grants of up to \$2 million for projects that are approved via the fund's peer-review process and by the board of directors of the economic development corporation.

Significant changes have been made in the latest request for applications:

- There are no longer fixed application deadlines.
- Support to new start-up or small businesses needing seed capital is emphasized.
- The review of the technology's commercialization potential has been expanded.
- The proposal format is more flexible

Karl Koehler, PhD, deputy director of the fund, has urged IUSM investigators to contact him to discuss ways their technology development proposals can meet the fund's requirements.

A PDF file of the fund's new RFA can be downloaded at <http://www.21fund.org/uploads/RFA05-07.pdf>.

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Showalter Trust applications due Jan. 6

Applications for Showalter Research Trust funding -- beginning July 1 -- must be received in the IUSM Dean's Office, Clinical Building, room 365 by **Friday, Jan. 6**. Applications will be reviewed by the IUSM Biomedical Research Committee. For more information, see adminfinance.iusm.iu.edu/operations/irf.htm

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Biomedical research grants available

The application deadline for an IUSM biomedical research grant is **Friday, Jan. 6**.

The objective of the Biomedical Research Committee is to foster scholarly and creative research by worthy investigators so that they can compete successfully for extramural research support.

In general, two categories of research projects will benefit from this program:

- Research projects of investigators new to the school who do not yet have extramural funding and who need support to acquire the preliminary data necessary to compete for extramural funding
- Research projects of established investigators who are between funding periods from extramural sources.

Applications for both categories are considered small grants and should have a maximum requested amount of \$40,000 and be limited to one-year duration. The same proposal may not be submitted as both a Biomedical Research Grant and a Showalter Trust application. If eligible for both programs, the investigator is encouraged to submit to the Showalter Trust.

For additional information, see adminfinance.iusm.iu.edu/operations/brg.htm. Applications must be submitted by the deadline to the Executive Associate Dean for Research Affairs, Clinical Building, Room 365.

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OpenWetWare Wiki for biologists

Scientists at Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology recently started their own wiki, [OpenWetWare](#), devoted to sharing lab protocols and data among biology groups worldwide. This resource extends Open Access concepts to lab protocols. [OpenWetWare](#) is located on the web at openwetware.org/wiki/Main_Page. Its statement of purpose reads:

OpenWetWare is an effort to promote the sharing of information, know how, and wisdom among researchers and groups who are working in biology and biological engineering. OWW provides a place for labs, individuals and groups to organize their own information and collaborate with others easily and efficiently. In the process, it is hoped that OWW will not only lead to greater collaboration between member groups, but also provide a useful information portal to colleagues and ultimately the rest of the world.

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Scope's holiday break

The submission and publication schedule for *Scope* will be adjusted to conform with the upcoming campus holidays. *Scope* will not publish Dec. 23 or 30, but will resume publication on Friday, Jan. 6.

The deadline for submission of items for the final issue of 2005 will be **8 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14**.

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Holiday hours for the IUSM Medical Library

The IUSM Medical Library will observe special hours during the holiday season. The schedule is:

Dec. 24 – closed per regular Saturday schedule
Dec. 25 – closed for the holiday
Dec. 26 – closed for the holiday
Dec. 27-30 – open 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 31 – closed per regular Saturday schedule
Jan. 1 – closed for the holiday
Jan. 2 – closed for the holiday
Jan. 3-6 – open 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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IUPUI weather updates

For updates on IUPUI policies and cancellations during adverse weather, see registrar.iupui.edu/adverseweather.html. The site includes links to the School of Medicine for information specific to medical students.

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Nominations for 2006 Excellence in Diversity Awards

In honor of Joseph T. Taylor, the first dean of the IUPUI School of Liberal Arts, nominations and applications are sought for the sixth annual IUPUI Excellence in Diversity Awards. Chancellor Charles Bantz will confer the awards during the Joseph T. Taylor Symposium on Feb. 22.

Nomination and application forms are available online at www.life.iupui.edu/culture/taylor_awards.asp. Deadline for application is **Monday, Dec. 19**.

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Red Cross Hall of Fame nominations

The American Red Cross of Greater Indianapolis seeks nominations for its Hall of Fame which honors individuals who have risked their lives to save or attempt to save the lives of others. Learn more about the 47 th Annual Hall of Fame or submit an online nomination at indyredcross.org. Call 684-4334 with questions.

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IUSM gifts and apparel

For gifts and apparel with IUSM appeal, see the IUSM Alumni web site at www.alumni.iupui.edu/medicine/merch/.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, 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-hosts of this week's program are Kathy Miller, MD, and Steve Bogdewic, PhD.

Guests will include Brian Foresman, DO, director of the Sleep Medicine and Circadian Biology Program at IUSM, who will discuss the causes and treatments for sleeplessness.

Kristine Mosier, DMD, PhD, professor of radiology and neuroscience at IUSM, will discuss her research about brain re-mapping that was presented at a meeting of the Radiological Society of North America.

"The Eugenics Movement: An Encyclopedia," the first book on this topic will be the topic of author Ruth Clifford Engs, EdD. Her encyclopedia covers almost 200 years of the history of eugenics around the world. Dr. Engs is a health historian and professor in the IU Department of Applied Health Science.

Sound Medicine's wordsmith Jeremy Shere shares his definition of "verbal overshadowing."

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

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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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Scope submission guidelines

Scope wants your news items.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays. *Scope* is published electronically and sent to faculty, staff, students, and residents.

There are three easy ways to submit story ideas or information to *Scope*:

- e-mail the information to mhardin@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Mary Hardin, Z-7, Ste. 306, IUPUI
- fax your information to (317) 278-8722

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format.

In the interest of accuracy, please do NOT use:

- acronyms
- abbreviations
- campus building codes (use full, proper name of building and include the room number)
- Dr. as a preface before names (designate MD or PhD)

To keep the electronic version of *Scope* as streamlined as possible, only seminars and lectures of general or multidisciplinary interest will be included.

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