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Pompos to lead LARC

Lisa Pompos, DVM, MS, has been named director of the Laboratory Animal Resource Center at IUSM. The appointment was effective March 1.

Dr. Pompos joined LARC in July 2002 as a clinical veterinarian, a position she held for nearly two years before being named assistant director of the facility.

An honors graduate from the Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Pompos completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Missouri Office of Animal Resources and Research Animal Diagnostic Laboratory in Columbia. She earned a master's degree in biomedical science in the area of laboratory animal medicine from the University of Missouri.

Dr. Pompos is a diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine.

Nutritional immunology, rodent health and handling, surgical support and monitoring, and ethics and attitudes about animal research are some of her professional interests.

She succeeds Catherine Vogelweid, PhD, DVM, who resigned last July after serving as LARC director for 10 years.

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Roudebush VA mandates notice of monitoring visits

The VA Research Service must be made aware of all monitoring visits to VA research study sites by external monitors such as pharmaceutical companies and contract research organizations. Such site visits may be routine or conducted for specific causes.

In addition, the Research Service should be informed of any serious findings or issues of concern that result from monitoring visits. It is the responsibility of the investigator to assure that these requirements are met.

For complete information on this new requirement, see medicine.iupui.edu/ctp/pdf/VA%20forms/VA%20FORMS.rtf. Click on the VA Resesach Forms link and see "SOP: Monitor Visits."

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Smooching a pig goal of pediatric endocrinologist

Man's first source of insulin appears to be the object of affection of an IUSM pediatric endocrinologist. At least, one might think so if Juan Sanchez's hard work to win a certain competition is any indication.

If he wins that competition, Dr. Sanchez's reward will be an opportunity to show thousands of people at an Indiana Pacers' home game just how fond he is of a pig named Pork Chop by kissing it – but probably not on the lips.

Winning the contest requires people to vote for Dr. Sanchez. Each vote is \$1. All the proceeds benefit the American Diabetes Association.

The ADA's 13th annual Kiss-A-Pig voting ends **Friday, March 11**. Until that time, faculty and staff may request a ballot by emailing Pat Laskowski at plaskows@iupui.edu. Tax-deductible donations made to the American Diabetes Association also may exceed the \$1 minimum.

Several people are vying for the opportunity to pay homage to the pig for its role in the fight against diabetes. The person who raises the most money will be rewarded for their efforts at the Indiana Pacers/Utah Jazz game, March 16.

Diabetes is a condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the blood sugar level. Following the discovery of insulin in 1921, the first commercially available insulin was purified from pig pancreases. Before then, no treatment was available, and people diagnosed with the condition died within weeks.

The winning pig kisser last year raised \$4,000 for the ADA.

Photos of Dr. Sanchez and Pork Chop are at www.iupui.edu/news/insider_050303.htm.

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Solutions Conference introduces campus expertise to the community

The 2005 Solutions Conference on March 15 will bring IUPUI's top scientists together with business and technology leaders, entrepreneurs, nonprofit organizations, and policy makers at the Informatics and Communications Technologies Complex (ICTC), located at the corner of West and Michigan streets.

The conference, which will run from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., is set to showcase campus resources in six key local economic clusters: life and health sciences; information and communication technologies; 21st Century logistics; advanced manufacturing; nonprofit organizations; and art, culture and tourism.

Nate Feltman, vice president and general counsel of the Indiana Economic Development Council, will be the keynote speaker.

Registration fees of \$75 for the public and \$50 for Solutions Conference partners include admittance, parking and an annual membership in the Solutions Center .

The conference is hosted by IUPUI and the IUPUI Solutions Center. For more conference details and registration information, go to www.solutionsconference.iupui.edu/.

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Youth violence focus of lecture and reception

As part of National Youth Violence Prevention Week, the Marion County Commission on Youth is sponsoring a lecture-reception at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 24, in the Lilly Auditorium at the Riley Outpatient Center.

John Murray, PhD, from Kansas State University, will present "Mapping Alternatives to Violence." Dr. Murray is a national expert on the relationship of media to youth violence and neuroimaging of pediatric brain activation during observation of violent media.

Reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations, contact Deanna Willis, MD, at drwillis@iupui.edu.

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Source for federal grant info hosting Webcast

Grants.gov is broadcasting a live Webcast titled, "Spread the Word," at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 9, to acquaint researchers with this online resource for all federal grants.

To register see <http://w.on24.com/r.htm?e=11256&s=1&k=C759A231D90C42F2939152CD48738CF5>.

When registration is complete, a confirmation email will be sent providing the information needed to participate.

For more details on the "Spread the Word" Webcast, see www.grants.gov/SpreadWordWebcast.

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Bioethics Research Rounds for March

Kimberly Quaid, PhD professor of medical and molecular genetics, will be the March 11 speaker for the Bioethics Research Rounds.

BRR sessions will be from noon to 1 p.m. in the IU Center for Bioethics conference room, 714 N. Senate Ave., room 200, on the second Friday of each month. This is a brown bag lecture series; beverages will be provided.

The series is an opportunity for faculty to present and learn about bioethics research in progress.

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Mark your calendar for CoE in Women's Health lecture

The IU National Center of Excellence in Women's Health is hosting the fifth annual Doris H. Merritt, MD, Annual Lectureship in Women's Health at noon, Tuesday, April 26, in the Indiana Cancer Research Institute auditorium. Lunch

will be provided at 11:30 a.m.

The lecture, "Women in Academic Leadership: Institutional Transformation Required," will be presented by Molly Carnes, MD, MS, professor of medicine and director of the National Center of Excellence in Women's Health at the University of Wisconsin.

Reservations are required. Contact Tina Darling at 630-2243, or tdarling@iupui.edu for more information or to RSVP.

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VA research distinctions discussed at CTP seminar

The IU Clinical Trials Program is sponsoring an educational opportunity for investigators conducting clinical research using Veterans Affairs facilities or patients.

"Conducting Clinical Research at the Roudebush VA Hospital" will be from noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 10, in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Memorial Hospital.

Peggy Hannon, administrative officer for Research and Development, and Gail Douglas, VA compliance officer, will be the presenters.

The program offers 1.5 CMEs.

See the CTP Website at <http://medicine.iupui.edu/ctp> or contact Pam DeWeese at 278-2865 for additional information.

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A 'must-hear' program for research coordinators

A required program for all new research coordinators at IUSM with less than two years experience coordinating studies has been developed by the School's Clinical Trials Program and Outpatient Clinical Research Facility, and the IU School of Nursing.

The program on March 23-25 will introduce research coordinators to critically important concepts, requirements and practical aspects of coordinating research studies. A core curriculum and break-out sessions are offered for clinical and behavioral trials.

Sessions will include an overview of drug development; GCPs and drug law; study feasibility assessment; budgeting, contract review, and routing the proposal; study startup and the study approval process; pre-study preparation; study conduct (including the informed consent process and adverse event reporting); audits and study closeout; special interest breakout sessions; and identification of clinical research resources available at IU.

For the agenda and more detailed information, see nursing.iupui.edu/LifelongLearning/default.asp?LifelongLearning/ProgramsAndConferences/RECEP/2005/RECP_0305.htm. To go directly to the registration page, see <https://nursing.iupui.edu/llreg/forms/researchcoord.asp>.

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Chancellor's Faculty Awards recruiting applicants

Applications are available for the Chancellor's Faculty Award and the Chancellor's Community Award for the Excellence in Civic Engagement at <http://csl.iupui.edu>. The deadline for submission is 5 p.m. **Friday, March 18**.

Nominees for the faculty award should exemplify high standards of civic engagement, professional service or service

learning. Nominees for the community award should demonstrate meaningful program collaboration with an IUPUI academic unit or units that resulted in student learning, faculty work and community improvements.

The awards will be presented at the Chancellor's Honors Convocation Tuesday, April 19.

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Training sessions for EndNote, Reference Manager

The Thompson/ISI representative will be at IUSM to train on EndNote and Reference Manager, both citation management software. The training is lecture style with data projection, and the session on the Macintosh requires registration because of limited space.

The training is hosted by IUSM Libraries. For more information call Carole Gall at 274-1411, or email her at cfgall@iupui.edu.

Thursday, March 24, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. – EndNote on the Macintosh
Location: IB 318, Registration required

Friday, March 25, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. – EndNote Basic for P.C. and Macintosh
Location: IB 301

Friday, March 25, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. – EndNote Advanced Q&A
Location: MS B26

Friday, March 25, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. – Reference Manager Q&A
Location: MS B26

In addition, online training for EndNote and Reference Manager is available every month, free of charge, from the national headquarters. To register for basic training online for EndNote, see www.endnote.com/training/. To register for basic training online for Reference Manager, see www.referencemanager.com/training/rmtrainform.asp.

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Workshops for promotion, tenure and contract faculty

An informational workshop is being offered to the IUSM faculty on promotion, tenure and long-term appointment contract strategies and tactics. The workshop will be from noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31, in room 319, Fesler Hall.

Sample dossiers and other helpful information will be available for review.

Call 278-5461 to make reservations no later than **Friday, March 25**. Seating is limited to 25.

Another promotion and tenure workshop, sponsored by the IUPUI Office for Professional Development, will be from 9 a.m. to noon, Friday, March 4, in the Lilly Auditorium of University Library.

This year's workshop will include a general overview of policies and dossier construction, followed by the mock committee session. The committee will review several fictitious dossiers, similar to actual cases from recent years. During the workshop the mock committee will review cases in the same manner as they are reviewed during the actual proceedings.

Immediately after the disposition of each case, the audience will be invited to interact with the committee about the process. Helpful print resources will be given to participants.

Participants can register for the workshop at <http://www.opd.iupui.edu/events.asp?unit=OPD>, or by calling 278-6221.

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Educational Research and Development Grants available

Education Research and Development Grants through IUSM are available for 2005. These grants are designed to stimulate educational research and development and are particularly geared toward projects involving interdisciplinary and inter-unit learning for medical students, residents and other health-care professionals in Indiana.

The deadline for applying for the grants is **Friday, April 8**. For additional information, see <http://meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/Grants.htm>.

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Faculty Teaching Awards nominations sought

For the 13th consecutive year, IUSM will recognize outstanding teaching by faculty with Faculty Teaching Awards. Nominations are now sought for the awards, which will be presented at the Spring Faculty Meeting.

The deadline for submissions is **Friday, April 8**, to allow the Committee on Faculty Teaching Awards time to consider nominees and make final selections. All nominations should be sent to Paula Wales, EdD, Medical Education and Curricular Affairs, EF 200, 714 N. Senate Avenue, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46202.

All full-time faculty and librarians at IUSM within the statewide system for medical education are eligible. Nomination of previous recipients of the university-wide Teaching Awards or Campus Awards is discouraged. Serious consideration will be given to faculty who teach in the traditional lecture setting and to faculty who excel as leaders of small groups.

Additional information and submission criteria can be found at meca.iusm.iu.edu/resources/grants.htm.

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Deadline is April 15 for Research Support Fund Grants

The Research Support Fund Grant program was developed to enhance the research and scholarship focus of the IUPUI academic mission.

The RSFG serves as support to initiate a research or scholarly activity project that should lead to external funding, including F&A payments. Grants will normally range from \$5,000 to \$30,000. The grant period normally will not exceed 12 months.

Application materials must be submitted with a signed internal grants face page/route sheet to the Sponsored Program Development Director, UL 1140, IUPUI, by 5 p.m., **Friday, April 15**.

Additional information is available on the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs Website at www.iupui.edu/~resgrad/spon/rsfg/rsfg_guidelines.htm.

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Seed grants available for NIH Roadmap initiative

The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education will fund three to five, one-time grants of up to \$60,000 to stimulate submission to, and increase grant awards from, the NIH Roadmap initiative.

Proposals must be collaborative and include faculty PIs from two or more IUPUI schools. Proposals will be evaluated

based on scientific merit and how well they fit into the Roadmap initiative.

The applications will be reviewed by a faculty peer review panel and IUPUI deans. The deadline for submission of proposals to the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs is 4:30 p.m. **Friday, April 15**. Awards will be announced the week of May 16.

Additional information including requirements, proposal format and finding collaborators is available on the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs Website at www.iupui.edu/%7Eeresgrad/spon/nih_roadmap/nih_roadmap_initiative.htm.

For more information on the NIH Roadmap, see <http://nihroadmap.nih.gov/>.

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Funding for Proteomics Core services available

IUSM is inviting faculty investigators who need proteomics core support to submit funding requests by **Sunday, May 1**, to the Biomedical Research Committee. The funding is made possible by a \$27,000 credit at the Indiana Centers for Applied Protein Sciences (INCAPS).

In 2004, IUSM joined with other academic institutions and corporate partners to form INCAPS. The IUSM Proteomics Core Facility was renamed the Protein Analysis Research Center (PARC) and incorporated into INCAPS. The mission of PARC is to provide advanced proteomic technologies, applications and expertise for academic investigators at the lowest possible cost.

Faculty who lack resources for proteomics core support are invited to submit requests which should not exceed \$9,000. These requests will be reviewed and support will be awarded in the form of credits from PARC. All requests will be reviewed by the Biomedical Research Committee.

Requests must follow the application guidelines for Pilot Funding for Research Use of Core Facilities found on the IUSM Research Funding Opportunities for Faculty Web page. Contact information for the Biomedical Research Committee also can be found on that site.

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Med students: New AAMC graduation questionnaire now available

The 2005 version of the AAMC Medical School Graduation Questionnaire is now accessible online at <http://www.aamc.org/gq>.

The GQ now consists of two separate online surveys. An anonymous analysis, the Program Evaluation Survey includes questions related to a student's medical school experiences, student support programs and potential problems.

The second survey, the Supplemental Survey on Financial Aid, Career Intentions, and Diversity, includes questions related to educational and non-educational debt, specialty practice choice and the cultural environment of the medical school. This second survey requires students to login using their AAMC ID number. Because responses to this survey will include personally identifiable information, students must give consent for their responses to be released back to the medical schools.

Both surveys in the 2005 GQ have been reviewed by the Institutional Review Board of the American Institutes for Research. The IRB has ruled the anonymous Program Evaluation Survey is exempt from IRB review and has approved the Supplemental Survey.

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Medical Library launches departmental liaison program

Each IUSM department now has a medical library faculty member assigned to meet its information access and knowledge management needs. Services are tailored to individual/departmental needs and can be scheduled at your convenience.

Services include

- Advanced training for Medline searching (Ovid or PubMed).
- Locating and accessing the electronic and print resources of the Medical School Library.
- Training in the newest information access and management tools, such as Reference Manager and EndNote.
- Specialized literature searching in support of patient care, education and research.

These are just some of the services that the Ruth Lilly Medical Library offers to make medical knowledge management easier and more efficient. Training classes, one-on-one sessions, consultations or staff training can be scheduled when convenient.

To locate the faculty librarian familiar with each department, use the list of suggested contacts at www.medlib.iupui.edu/liaisons/liaisons.html.

To learn about the full range of library liaison activities, see www.medlib.iupui.edu/liaisons/whatis.html.

For general information or assistance, contact Elaine Skopelja at 274-8358, or eskopelj@iupui.edu.

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5K run/walk supports Best Buddies

Run, jog, walk or stroll along the canal in downtown Indianapolis to raise funds and awareness for Best Buddies Indiana Saturday, April 2.

Best Buddies is a non-profit organization that enhances the lives of individuals with intellectual disabilities by providing one-to-one friendships and integrated job employment.

The IUPUI/IUSM chapter of Best Buddies is assembling a team of students, residents and faculty to participate in the run/walk. A 10-person team will pay \$15 per person to participate. The entry fee includes a t-shirt and a sponsor pack.

The more people recruited for the team, the lower the cost per person.

More information about the Dash For Friendship can be found at www.kenlongassoc.com/buddies.htm.

Information about Best Buddies can be found at www.bestbuddies.org or www.bestbuddiesindiana.org. Email Melissa Spurr, MS2, at bestbuds@iupui.edu for more information or to register for the team.

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Need statistical or mathematical software?

The Stat/Math Center is a convenient source for statistical and mathematical software. Faculty, staff, and students can buy popular software packages such as SPSS (Windows/Macintosh), Minitab, and Mathematica (Windows/Macintosh/Linux) at the IU Bloomington center at 410 N. Park St. or the IUPUI Jags Outlet Store in the food court of University Place Conference Center and Hotel.

All software packages are distributed with an annual lease, which must be renewed yearly. Some of the software packages purchased directly from the Stat/Math Center are for campus use only and may not be installed on a

personal home computer.

Learn more about software offered by the Stat/Math Center at www.indiana.edu/~statmath/sales/prices/.

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Honors

Robert Byrn, MD, has been honored as the 2004 Intern Teacher of the Year for Pediatrics. The award was presented at a recent Pediatrics Retreat. IUSM students and residents noted that Dr. Byrn exhibits outstanding qualities of professionalism and a gift for teaching practice-based learning.

A history of service to Indiana's youngest heart patients was honored earlier this year when **Donald Girod**, MD, was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by then Gov. Joe Kernan. Dr. Girod was director of pediatric cardiology at Riley Hospital for Children from 1967 until his retirement in 2004. He has cared for thousands of children with congenital heart disease and was a pioneer in infant cardiac catheterization in the United States.

Douglas McKeag, MD, IUSM chair of Family Medicine, is the recipient of the Indiana State Health Commissioner Award for Excellence. He was cited for his active role and accomplishments in public health, particularly his leadership of the IU Arthritis Initiative. The award is given to those who are leaders in promoting, protecting and providing for the health of Hoosiers.

Alexander "Bob" Niculescu, MD, is a recipient of the AstraZeneca Young Minds in Psychiatry Award, which includes a \$45,000 prize. Dr. Niculescu, assistant professor of psychiatry and a scientist with the IUSM Institute for Psychiatric Research, is the U.S. recipient for bipolar disorders for 2004. Only three other awards are presented – one for a researcher outside the U.S. studying bipolar disorder and two (one in the U.S. and one outside the U.S.) studying schizophrenia. His selection was based on the paper "PhenoChipping of Psychotic Disorders: Phenotype to Genotype Integration." The award will be presented in May at the American Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting.

Fourth-year medical student **Robert Patterson** is the first student recipient of a Dr. Joseph T. Taylor Award for Excellence in Diversity which recognizes individuals and programs for promoting diversity on the IUPUI campus. Chancellor Charles Bantz presented 2005 Taylor Awards to Patterson and four other recipients during the Taylor Symposium in February.

Clark Simons, MD, an assistant professor of surgery and a trauma surgeon at the IU/Wishard Level I Trauma Center, will receive the 2005 Accomplished Achievement Award at the Minority Business and Professional Achievers Recognition Dinner March 14 at the Indiana Convention Center. The award is sponsored by the Center for Leadership Development and the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 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. This week's co-hosts are Ora Pescovitz, MD, and David Crabb, MD.

Guests include John Cleary, MD, who will discuss the pros and cons of "banking" a newborn infant's cord blood. Dr. Cleary is an Indianapolis obstetrician in private practice.

Psychotropic drugs and the elderly is the topic of Stephen Rappaport, MD. These drugs, he says, may do more harm than good. Rappaport is a specialist in geriatric care and the founder of AGEWELL, a consulting company focusing on issues of health care for the elderly.

Frederick Unverzagt, PhD, associate professor of psychiatry at IUSM, will discuss his research on mild cognitive

impairment, a condition that may be a warning sign of Alzheimer's disease.

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

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Online IUSM calendars

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at <http://daly.medicine.iu.edu/med/Public/Calendar>. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at imsewell@iupui.edu.

A Special Events Calendar for presentations, symposiums, conferences and other activities at IUSM can be found on the School's Web page at www.medicine.iu.edu. The calendar also can be accessed directly at webdb.iu.edu/iusm/scripts/calendar/instr.cfm.

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Submissions to Scope

Scope wants your news items.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Fridays. *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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