Bosron named interim dean of School of Science at IUPUI

William F. Bosron, PhD, Chancellor’s Professor and professor of biochemistry and molecular biology in the IU School of Medicine, has been named interim dean of the School of Science at IUPUI, effective Aug. 1.

Bosron succeeds Carl Cowen, who is leaving his position as dean. Cowen retains his position as professor of mathematical sciences.

Bosron will serve as interim dean until a replacement for Cowen is appointed.

Noting his productive relationships with faculty in the School of Science through the years, Dr. Bosron said, “I look forward to working with the science faculty as interim dean.”

From 1994 to 2005 Bosron served as Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies in the School of Medicine, where he organized the MS, PhD and MD/PhD programs. He wrote two of the components for the Indiana Genomics Initiative (INGEN), the Scholars Program for support of MD/PhD students and the INGEN Training Program for the Biotechnology Certificate and MS programs that he continues to direct.

Contract manufacturing services the subject of life sciences lunch

"Contract Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing/Services: A Strategy for The Future" will be the topic at the next Life Sciences Lunch Series event on July 18, sponsored by the Indiana Health Industry Forum and Barnes & Thornburg LLP.

The luncheon, with a box lunch provided, will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the one-hour presentation will begin at noon.

Discussing the latest developments and best practices in contract biopharmaceutical manufacturing and related services will be Steve Bryant, director of the Bloomington Life Sciences Partnership; Kelly Zaleski, senior director-business services at Baxter; and Tedd Green, director of business affairs at Cook Pharmica.

Dean Brater to discuss "The Bio Bottom Line" at July 13 event

IUSM Dean D. Craig Brater, MD, will be the featured speaker at a program on "The Bio Bottom Line: An In-Depth Look at the Life Sciences Industry" sponsored by Indy Hub and the Lacy Leadership Association.

Dr. Brater will talk about what "life sciences" means, the importance of the life sciences industry to Indianapolis and how the city is attracting new companies and talent.

The event will provide an opportunity to connect with leaders in the industry, learn from the experts in the field and discover how to get involved.

The July 13 program at the University Place Conference Center and Hotel, 850 W. Michigan St., will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a reception with light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Dr. Brater will speak at 6 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public, but registration is requested. For more information, contact Lindsey Rabinowitch at (317) 634-2423 ext.133 or email lindseyr@cicf.org. To register, go to http://www.sklla.org/Programs[Index.cfm?details=62.

Microbiologist to encourage minorities during July 17 symposium

University of Texas Medical Branch microbiologist Clifford W. Houston, PhD, will be the featured speaker at the "Bridges to the Doctorate" Minority Mentoring Symposium July 17 at IUSM.

The program will be in the VanNuys Medical Science Building, room B26, starting at 10 a.m. The keynote lecture will be given by Dr. Houston, the Herman Barnett Distinguished Endowed Professor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology and associate vice president for Educational Outreach at the University of Texas Medical Branch. He recently was elected president of the American Society for Microbiology and is a recipient of the national Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring.

Dr. Houston, whose interest in science began with an elementary school science program and was encouraged by mentors, says that as "an underrepresented minority, I think you have an additional responsibility to spend time helping younger people who are coming up the same road."

The event will also include a panel discussion on minority mentoring at 1:30 p.m. Panelists will include Patricia Treadwell, MD, professor of pediatrics and assistant dean for cultural diversity at IUSM; Hal E. Broxmeyer, PhD, chairman and Mary Margaret Walther Professor of Microbiology and Immunology and scientific director of the Walther Oncology Center, IUSM; Joseph Cameron, PhD, professor of biology and coordinator of graduate studies at Jackson State University; Maureen Harrington, PhD, professor of biochemistry and molecular biology at IUSM and Johnny He, PhD, associate professor of microbiology at IUSM.

The "Bridges to the Doctorate" program at IUSM seeks to increase the number of underrepresented ethnic faculty members at medical and graduate schools. The program, which partners the School with Mississippi's Jackson State University, trains students in the biomedical sciences.

The symposium is sponsored by Indiana Genomics Initiative and the IUSM Department of Microbiology and Immunology.
Biotechnology Training Program accepting student applications

The IUSM and IU Graduate School offer a Biotechnology Training Program for technician employees to enhance their knowledge base and skills in basic biomedical research.

A 17-credit certificate involving hands-on laboratory and problem-based learning courses is offered on a part-time basis (late afternoons and early evenings). Students who complete the certificate may continue in an MS degree. This academic program is housed in the state-of-the-art Biotechnology Research and Training Center.

See www.medicine.iu.edu/%7Egradschl/biotechTraining/index.html for program and contact information. Applications are being accepted through Friday, Aug. 11.

Roob to speak at special faculty meeting

A special IUSM faculty meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 26, in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Memorial Hospital. The program is planned for the grand rounds time most departments have on Wednesday mornings and Mitch Roob will speak on “Affordability of Health Care and the Need for New Models.” Roob is the secretary of the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration.

2006 summer seminars for undergraduates interested in a career in medicine

Four seminars featuring speakers knowledgeable about navigating the path to becoming a physician will be offered again this summer. These seminars and panel discussions are intended for college students who are working on our campuses and are interested in a career in medicine.

All seminars will be held in the Van Nuys Medical Science Building, rooms 311 A & B. The series is free and participants are welcome to bring their lunch. Each session begins at noon and ends by 1 p.m. The schedule:

**Session 1: Undergraduate Preparation for Medical School**
Robert M. Stump, Jr., Director of Admissions
Thursday, July 6, 2006

**Session 2: Life as a Medical Student**
Medical Student Panel
Tuesday, July 11, 2006

**Session 3: Careers in Primary and Specialty Care**
Physician Panel
Tuesday, July 18, 2006

**Session 4: Financing Medical School**
Jose Espada, Director of Student Financial Services
Tuesday, July 25, 2006

The series is sponsored by the School of Medicine Admissions Office. For further information, call 274-3772.

This week on Sound Medicine
Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, July 9, 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 Frank Messina, MD, and Ora Pescovitz, MD.

James D. Ulm, MD, assistant professor of otolaryngology – head and neck surgery at the IU School of Medicine, will discuss sinusplasty, a new treatment for chronic sinus inflammation.

William Tierney, MD, IU Chancellor’s Professor of Medicine and Regenstrief Institute research scientist, and James P. Walsh, MD, PhD, associate professor of medicine and biochemistry, will talk about the differences between HDL and LDL cholesterol.

Shobha Pais, PhD, director of Behavioral Science and clinical adjunct assistant professor of family medicine, and Betsy Fife, PhD, MSN, senior research scientist at the IU School of Nursing, join Sound Medicine to discuss a recent study focused on strategies to help couples manage their psychosexual well-being following breast cancer.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at [www.soundmedicine.iu.edu/](http://www.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](http://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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