IUPUI announces new Signature Center Awards

Three of the 10 proposals selected for funding in the second round of the Signature Centers Initiative at IUPUI were submitted by IUSM faculty. The award provides $150,000 in funding over a three-year period.

"The 10 selected proposals are the result of an elaborate evaluation process involving the school deans
and two independent campus committees - the IUPUI Council of Associate Deans for Research and the IUPUI Research Committee," said Executive Vice Chancellor Uday Sukhatme.

There were 54 proposals in all and the quality of proposals received was very high. It was a difficult job to select which proposals would be funded, he noted.

The Signature Centers Initiative is a cornerstone of IUPUI's Academic Plan, Sukhatme said. "It clearly highlights the importance of the research component of the campus mission, and is a significant investment in the drive to further raise IUPUI's research agenda and academic strength. Most of the centers funded last year have shown significant successes already, and I am confident that the new centers funded this year will be equally productive!"

The IUSM proposals selected as IUPUI Signature Centers and a description:

The Center for Atopic Dermatitis will bring together a collaborative team of scientists and clinicians to develop an integrated approach to research, education and care of patients with chronic inflammatory skin diseases. The objective of the center is to create a clinic which will specialize in the care of patients, facilitate research, and coordinate clinical trials of new treatments for patients with atopic skin diseases. Principal Investigator: Jeffrey Travers, MD, PhD, Kampen-Norins Professor and chair of dermatology and professor of pharmacology and toxicology

The Institute for Intrinsically Disordered Proteins is dedicated to understanding the role of protein structure in disease. While an ordered protein structure is believed to be important to understanding protein function, cancer and neurodegenerative disease may be linked to the function of proteins with relatively greater intrinsic disorder. The Center will utilize both experiments and novel computational tools to understand the structure and function of disordered proteins in human disease, in order to accelerate the process of discovery of disease-fighting drugs. Principal Investigator: Vladimir Uversky, PhD, DSc, senior research professor of biochemistry and molecular biology

The Vascular and Cardiac Center for Adult Stem Cell Therapy will conduct multidisciplinary research aimed at repairing and enhancing the function of cardiovascular tissues. Translation of adult stem cell research findings to diseases of the cardiac and vascular systems will allow researchers in this center to explore novel approaches to repairing cardiac and vascular damage and improving the function of the vascular system. The unique collaborative expertise of both basic and clinical scientists gathered together in this center will allow the rapid translation of advances in adult stem cell research to clinical trials of new therapies. Principal Investigator: Keith March, MD, PhD, Cryptic Masons Professor of Vascular Biology and Medicine, professor of medicine and director of the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine.

Deadline Feb. 22 for IUSM Trustee Teaching Awards nominations

Students, residents, fellows and faculty are invited to help identify IUSM's best teachers.

Each year the Indiana University board of trustees recognizes excellence in teaching through a program known as the Trustee Teaching Awards. Recipients of this prestigious award receive a stipend, have their names displayed on a plaque, and are recognized at award ceremonies at IUSM and at IUPUI. In addition the IUSM awardees are recognized at the medical school commencement in May.

This year the criterion of excellence in teaching is the primary factor for selection. We anticipate that 39 outstanding IUSM teachers will receive the award this year.
Submit the names of faculty you would like to nominate for this prestigious award to mailto:meca@iupui.edu by Friday, Feb. 22. When submitting a nomination, indicate the nomination is for a Trustee Teaching Award, include your university status (student, resident, fellow or faculty) and the nominee's name and university department. Please note that self-nominations will not be accepted and a minimum of 3 years of service to the school is required.

Information regarding the award is available at meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/TTA.htm.

IUSM Faculty Teaching Awards call for nominees

For the 16th consecutive year, IUSM will recognize outstanding teaching by faculty with the IUSM Faculty Teaching Awards. Two awards of $1,000 each will be presented at the Spring Faculty Meeting.

The award is given in recognition of demonstrated excellence in teaching (approximately five years of service). All full-time and part-time faculty and librarians at IUSM within the statewide system for medical education are eligible.

Individuals may make nominations directly to the IUSM Faculty Teaching Awards Committee via e-mail at mailto:meca@iupui.edu or through departmental chairpersons or directors. 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.

The deadline for dossier submissions is Friday, April 4, to allow the Committee on Faculty Teaching Awards time to consider nominees and make final selections.

Dossiers should be sent to Alison Loftus, Dean's Office for Medical Education and Curricular Affairs, EF 200, 714 N. Senate Avenue, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46202. Additional information and submission criteria can be found at meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/FTAC2007.htm.

Nominations sought for Bepko Staff Council Spirit Award

Full time IUPUI staff are eligible for the IUPUI Gerald L. Bepko Staff Council Spirit Award. Nominations are now being accepted through Saturday, March 15.

The IUPUI Bepko Spirit Award is open to all IUPUI appointed full-time staff members who contribute to the overall mission and success of the university. The spirit of IUPUI is demonstrated through one's overall attitude, as well as through acts of loyalty, teamwork and contribution to the mission, goals and strategic initiative of the university and the community. Recipients of the award will receive a $100 award and will be recognized at the Chancellor's Convocation in October.

To nominate an individual or group, please complete the nomination and narrative forms that are available on the IUPUI Staff Council website at http://www.iupui.edu/~scouncil/spirit1.html. The forms are also available for download in MS Word format at http://www.iupui.edu/~scouncil/Spirit/nomination.doc.
Reach Out and Read—OMSL literacy project

The mission of Reach Out and Read (ROAR) is to make early literacy promotion a standard part of pediatric care so children grow up with books and a love of reading. In Indiana, the program is conducted in more than 125 clinics and is supported by physicians, nurses and volunteers.

On the IUSM campus, the Office of Medical Service Learning (OMSL) sponsors medical students who volunteer their time to read to children as they come with their parents for clinic visits. Students both demonstrate interactive reading skills to parents and show how reading can be fun to kids in pediatric waiting rooms and emergency rooms. After each session, children get to take a book home, and more than 185,000 books a year are distributed in Indiana. Medical students volunteer two to four times per month during the school year.

ROAR volunteer Rachel Smith explained why she thinks the program is valuable and why she participates. “Reading at the Wishard primary care center is often the highlight of my week. Kids in a waiting room can be a pretty captive audience, and whether a child is not feeling very well, is super shy, or just rambunctious, it's fun to watch him or her get drawn into the story. It's also great to see the sense of accomplishment in beginning readers when they finish a page or in kids for whom English is a second language when they learn a new word.”

According to Victor Njoku, ROAR co-chair and volunteer, it's important that the health-care system play a role in developing the minds of kids, and medical students benefit from this project because it reminds them of why they chose to go into medicine—they feel this is a wonderful opportunity to give back to the community.

For additional information about ROAR, contact Njoku at mailto:vnjoku@iupui.edu or Smith at rbs@iupui.edu. The OMSL promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through innovative service-learning experiences. Visit http://www.iu.edu/omsl for more information.

Master’s degree available through CITE

The Clinical Investigator Training Enhancement Program, a clinical research training program for physicians, nurses, dentists, doctoral and postdoctoral scientists, is accepting applicants.

The CITE Program allows participants to integrate formal research training with a fellowship or faculty position in their own department. The purpose of this program is to prepare health-care professionals for a career in clinical research. Approximately six credit hours per semester will be offered along with clinical research in one's own discipline.

As part of the CITE Program, participants receive a masters of science degree in clinical research through the IU Graduate School. A second option is to take fewer courses and not the research requirement, leading to a graduate certificate in clinical research. Finally, individuals may simply take a course or two that may be relevant to their interests. In the past 6 years, 133 trainees have taken part in at least one of the core CITE programs.

More detailed information is available at http://www.regenstrief.org/training/research/. Questions can be directed to Kurt Kroeneke, MD, at mailto:kkroeneke@regenstrief.org, or to the program manager, Suzanne Galbraith at 630-7870, or mailto:sgalbraith@regenstrief.org. The program is partially sponsored by a K-
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Learn version X1, citation management and the new EndNote features (subgroups of Libraries, pdf attachments, etc.) and the new look of MED SCI Word 2007 Cite-While-You-Write. The 2008 schedule is:

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For more information, set up a special workshop for your unit, or to register, please contact IUSM LMed Libraryrarian, Carole Gall, cfgall@iupui.edu, 274-1411.

FEED your curiosity about grant submission procedures

Are you submitting grants or planning to? Need to hear the inside scoop on the whole submission process? Come to FEED for a new workshop: “Beginning Guide to the Grant Submission Process” on Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. on the lower level auditorium of the Riley Outpatient Center in rooms A and B.

The goal of this workshop is to provide an introduction and overview to the administrative components of the research grant submission process at IUSM.

During this two-hour workshop, participants will:

- Develop an understanding of the overall process of grant writing and the grant review process
- Identify tips on how to find different sources of funding
- Appreciate the specific details of the administrative requirements for grant submission
- Share advice on how to be prepared in advance for this most critical aspect of the grant submission process
If you are interested in attending, e-mail Roberta Brown at mailto:rabrown2@iupui.edu or call 630-6906.

The Faculty Enrichment and Educational Development (FEED) series offers quarterly workshops on key topics for faculty. These workshops are designed to provide an opportunity for the IUSM faculty to learn new skills in a collegial and fun environment and as part of the school's continuing commitment to provide the highest quality learning environment for the academic medical community.

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JSB History of Medicine Society -- Story of Infantile Autism Research at IUSM

Marian DeMyer, MD, will address the John Shaw Billings History of Medicine Society from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21. She was involved with studies that identified infantile autism as a brain condition unique from childhood schizophrenia. “We showed that the parenting practices did not differ significantly in the three groups, disproving the theory of parental causation of autism.” Refreshments are served at 3:30 and the program begins at 4 p.m. in room 301-302 of the IUSM Medical Library.

For more information, contact Nancy Eckerman at 274-2076 or neckerma@iupui.edu.

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Moore Symposium on Teaching Excellence – Feb. 22

The Edward C. Moore Symposium on Teaching Excellence will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, in the IUPUI Campus Center. The symposium will bring the IUPUI campus community together to consider the ways that principle-based and competency-based learning has shaped the practice and profession of teaching. For more information or to register, visit ctl.iupui.edu/symposium/.

The session is sponsored by the IUPUI Center for Teaching and Learning, the IU School of Medicine and the Faculty Colloquium on Excellence in Teaching (FACET).

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World Medical Association dignitary to speak Feb. 26

Dr. Otmar Kloiber, Secretary General of the World Medical Association, will speak from 3 to 4 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 26, in room 1110 of the Health Information and Translational Sciences Building (HITS), 410 W. 10th Street. Dr. Kloiber will present “Ethical Perspectives in Medicine, Health and Science.” He will address several critical ethical and policy issues in international health and health research, including global efforts to combat TB resistance, health and human rights and the next revisions to the Declaration of Helsinki.

The presentation is open to the public but reservations are requested and can be made by contacting Eva Jackson at 278-4034 or mailto:evajacks@iupui.edu.

The IU Center for Bioethics and the IUPUI Consortium for Health Policy, Law and Bioethics are the event's sponsors.
**Fairbanks Ethics Lecture Feb. 27**

The Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics will sponsor a Feb. 27 presentation from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Methodist Hospital Petticrew Auditorium featuring Richard Gunderman, MD, PhD, who will present “Miracles,” an examination of the role of the miraculous in health care.

Content of this provocative lecture will include definitions of the word miracle, examples of miracles, and strategies for enhancing appreciation of the miraculous in daily life. Dr. Gunderman's teaching and research interests in medical humanities include medicine and philosophy, biomedical ethics, science and ethics, and science and religion. He is vice chairman of the Department of Radiology and director of pediatric radiology at Riley Hospital for Children, as well as associate professor of radiology, pediatrics, medical education, philosophy, liberal arts, and philanthropy at IUSM and IUPUI.

The lecture is free and does not require pre-registration. Continuing education credit is offered to physicians, nurses, social workers, and chaplains at no charge. Lunch will not be served, but those attending may bring a lunch and eat during the presentation.

For additional information, contact Patty Bledsoe at mailto:pbledsoe@clarian.org or 962-9260.

**Healthy Living Conference – Feb. 27**

Registration is now open for the Indiana University Conference on Healthy Living, which will be Wednesday, Feb. 27 at the Indiana Government Center, South Auditorium. Learn the latest research, trends, and tactics for living a healthy lifestyle from IUPUI and IU-Bloomington health and fitness experts.

The conference is open to the public and costs $25 for members of the IU Alumni Association and $65 for non-members. A buffet lunch is included in the cost of the conference. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, Feb. 20.

[View a complete list of topics](#) and [register online](#).

**Women’s role at IUSM focus of display**

March is Women's History Month and in observance of the occasion, the IUSM Women's Advisory Council is inviting the IUSM and campus community to the unveiling of a new project honoring the historical contributions of women faculty and students at the school of medicine. The display is the work of Kacy Allgood, an IUPUI graduate student.

"The History of Women at the IUSM" will be unveiled on Friday, Feb 29, during an hour-long program starting at 8 a.m. in the atrium of VanNuys Medical Sciences Building. A light continental breakfast will be served.
The VanNuys display will remain for the month of March. The project also includes an expanded web display which will be live after Feb 29 at http://www.medicine.iu.edu/historyofwomen.

**Lab personnel recruitment seminar**

In the first in a series of brown bag lunch seminars for research faculty, Randy Brutkiewicz, PhD, assistant dean for faculty affairs and professional development and associate professor of microbiology and immunology, will discuss various strategies for recruiting laboratory personnel at various levels – research technicians, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, research associates and assistant scientists. The discussion will include information on “red flags” and other hiring dos and don'ts. The first seminar will be from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, in VanNuys Medical Science Building room B11. from 12:00 – 1:30 PM. Water and soft drinks will be provided.

RSVP to mailto:sarareed@iupui.edu.

**Mini Medical School begins March 4**

Mini Medical School at IUSM- Indianapolis will be March 4 and March 18 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the IUPUI Campus Center . The two-part program is free but advanced reservations are required. Call 274-7722 or email iusm@indiana.edu.

An overview of the human papillomavirus will be presented March 4 by Darron R. Brown, MD, professor of medicine, microbiology, and immunology and director of the IU Center for Vaccine Research and Development. On March 18, Amy Kressel, M.D., will discuss the growing threat of “Superbugs.”

**Promotion and tenure workshops**

Four informational workshops on promotion, tenure and long-term appointment contracts are being offered to the IUSM faculty on the following dates:

1. **Promotion & Tenure: Excellence In Teaching**  
   March 6 at 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. in Fesler Hall 319

2. **Promotion & Tenure: Special session for Women Faculty**  
   March 24 at noon - 1:30 p.m. in Fesler Hall 319  
   (Please feel free to bring a brown bag lunch)

3. **Promotion & Tenure: Excellence In Research**  
   March 31 at 3-4:30 pm in Fesler Hall 319

4. **Promotion & Tenure: Excellence In Service**
April 15 at 3:30-5:00 pm in Fesler Hall 319

Sample dossiers will be available for review, as well as other helpful information.

Contact Sarah Reed at mailto:sarareed@iupui.edu to make reservations. Please indicate the date you wish to attend. Seating is limited to 25.

All School Grand Rounds

George Annas, JD, MPH, will present an All Medical School Grand Rounds at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 19, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

Annas is the Edward R. Utley Professor and chair of the Department of Human Law, Bioethics, and Human Rights of Boston University School of Public Health and professor in the Boston University School of Medicine and School of Law. He is the author or editor of 16 books on health law and bioethics. Since 1991 he has written a regular feature on “Legal Issues in Medicine” for the New England Journal of Medicine, now under the title “Health Law, Ethics, and Human Rights.” Annas will present “Best in the World: Reforming (and Reframing) Health Care in America.”

This event is jointly sponsored by the IU schools of medicine and of law (Indianapolis).

Indy to host international kidney stone symposium

The International Kidney Stone Institute, a charitable organization based in Indianapolis, will host the 2nd International Urolithiasis Research Symposium April 17-18 at the Westin Hotel. This symposium assembles a distinguished international faculty, whose present research is rapidly advancing the field of kidney stone disease science and treatment. For more information, contact the International Kidney Stone Institute at 962-0647 or visit the IKSI website at http://www.iki.org/.

Faculty development abstracts sought

March 19 is the deadline for submitting abstracts for the Robert Wood Johnson Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program, which recently relocated to IUSM.

The Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program was established to increase the number of faculty from historically disadvantaged backgrounds who can achieve senior rank in academic medicine and who will encourage and foster the development of succeeding classes of such physicians. Four-year postdoctoral research awards are offered to physicians from historically disadvantaged backgrounds who are committed to developing careers in academic medicine and to serving as role models for students and faculty of similar background. The program defines the term “historically disadvantaged” to mean the challenges facing individuals because of their race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status or similar factors.
Young Investigators Grant for Probiotics Research announced

The Global Probiotics Council (GPC), a committee established in 2004 by Groupe DANONE and Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd., is announcing the Young Investigator Grant for Probiotics Research (YIGPRO). The purpose of the two annual grants of $50,000 each is to contribute to the advancement of probiotics and gut microbiota research in the United States.

Young investigators who are senior fellows with a committed faculty appointment or an early faculty member with tenure interested in understanding the health benefits of probiotics and the relationship between probiotics and the intestinal microbiota are encouraged to apply.

The YIGPRO application deadline is Tuesday, April 1. Grant applications will be ranked by the U.S Probiotics Scientific Board Selection Committee and notified by the GPC in May 2008. The grant start date is July 1, 2008. Applications must include a:

- Brief online application;
- NIH biosketch;
- Two letters of recommendation;
- Cost proposal / budget; and
- Animal / human approvals if necessary.

Visit [http://www.probioticsresearch.com/](http://www.probioticsresearch.com/) for more information and application requirements. If you have further questions contact Global Probiotics Council: c/o PMK Associates, Inc., telephone: 703-841-1600, email: gpc@probioticsresearch.com.

Message from the Office of Compliance Services

On behalf of the Office of Compliance Services and myself, I would like to personally thank you all for your active participation and continued support during this last year. Granting us time out of your clinical and administrative schedules, in furtherance of our compliance mission, is greatly appreciated.

Over the next year and beyond the federal government will be targeting areas identified in the most recent Office of the Inspector General Semi-Annual Report to Congress, and the Office of the Inspector General Work Plan for 2007-2008. As we implement our internal initiatives to adequately address the government's mandates, we would appreciate your comments and feedback as well as your continued support.

At this very moment, the OCS is in the process of transitioning to become part of the Office of the Vice President for Research Administration. Although the scope of this office will expand, I personally assure you our office remains committed to the compliance needs of the School of Medicine and the practice plans. OCS' commitment starts with me and my continued pledge to provide timely, quality services to you.

As always, we appreciate your support, suggestions and your valued time.
Kenya Recovery Fund assists AMPATH staff

Friends of the Indiana University- Kenya Partnership have generously responded to staff and patient needs resulting from political and racial strife in the normally peaceful east African nation.

The Kenya Recovery Fund was created to assist Kenyans employed or assisted by AMPATH and the Moi University Teaching Hospital in Eldoret, Kenya. AMPATH (Academic Model for Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS) provides life-saving treatment and short-term food assistance for 60,000 HIV-positive Kenyans. The program has been nominated twice for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Many Kenyans have been victimized by the recent unrest related to the contested presidential election, in need of housing, medicine, food, clothing and other support. Homes have been burned, individuals displaced, jobs disrupted and travel made dangerous and difficult by bands of rival tribes.

The Kenya Recovery Fund continues to accept contributions, which are directed through the Indiana University Foundation. To contribute to the fund or for more information on AMPATH and the IU-Kenya Partnership, see http://www.iukenya.org/.

IUSCC summer program for high school, college students

High school and college students interested in exploring a career in cancer research can gain hands-on experience this summer at the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center.

The cancer center's annual Summer Research Program places students with a mentor physician or researcher for nine weeks – June 6 to Aug. 4. Overall, the program seeks to increase the number of cancer researchers among underrepresented groups.

For more information, see www.medicine.indiana.edu/news_releases/viewRelease.php4?art=813 or visit http://www.cancer.iu.edu/srpto download and print an application or send an e-mail to iuccsrp@iupui.edu or srop@iupui.edu to request an application.

The application deadline is Friday, March 3. Selected applicants will be notified by Friday, April 4.

West Drive traffic will be altered by construction
Traffic will be restricted on West Drive beginning Feb. 18 during the Phase V construction of the Riley Hospital Simon Family Tower. The work will result in a change in traffic patterns. The phase may last through mid June. During this period, sidewalks will be closed to pedestrian traffic and parking on Rotary Circle will be prohibited.

Questions? Call Natalie Sirois at 491-0274.

IUPUI Golf League

A golf league for IUPUI faculty, staff and students is being organized. Tee times are available at south Grove golf Course Monday through Thursday in the 5 to 5:30 p.m. time frame. A minimum commitment of 14 weeks is required at a total cost of $215.

Respond to Colleen McCormick at cjmccorm@iupui.edu to join the league, to sign up as a substitute or to express interest in other IUPUI golf activities outside of league play.

Weather alerts online

IUPUI monitors weather conditions and will post announcements pertaining to classes and campus closures at http://www.iupui.edu/.

In the event the campus is closed, IUSM students on clinical rotations should check with their resident or attending physician to see if they should report. Laboratory animal technicians are considered essential personnel. Up-to-date closing information will be available at http://www.iupui.edu/ and through the local media.

Honors

Scott Denne, MD, professor of pediatrics in the Section of Neonatology and associate chair of the Department of Pediatrics for Clinical and Translational Research, has been appointed chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics National Committee on Pediatric Research. His appointment begins in July.

Nasser Hanna, MD, associate professor of medicine and a lung cancer specialist at the IU Simon Cancer Center, has been named as one of the Indianapolis Business Journal’s “40 under 40,” an annual recognition for leaders in the Indianapolis community under the age of 40. His story is reported in the February issue of the IBJ.

Reuben Kapur, PhD, associate professor of pediatrics, biochemistry and molecular biology, and medical and molecular genetics, has been appointed as a full member of the NIH Hematopoiesis Study Section. Members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievements in their scientific discipline.
Dan Meldrum, MD, associate professor of surgery and cellular and integrative physiology, has been elected to serve a 5-year term as the associate editor of the *Journal of Surgical Research*, the official publication of the Association for Academic Surgery. Dr. Meldrum also has served 3 years on the editorial board and 1 year as the book review editor for the journal.

Wishard Health Services was honored with the Sam H. Jones Award at this year's Mayor's Celebration of Diversity Awards, which honors businesses and organizations that promote diversity in the workplace. The Sam H. Jones Award is named in honor of the late longtime president of the Indianapolis Urban. Winners were selected by a committee convened by Mayor Ballard and were based on nominations submitted by businesses and organizations and meetings held with nominees' representatives.

Yan Xu, PhD, professor of OB/GYN, has accepted an invitation to serve a four-year term as a member of the Molecular and Integrative Signal Transduction Study Section, Center for Scientific Review of the NIH, beginning July 1. Members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievement in their scientific discipline.

This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17, to *Sound Medicine*, the award-winning weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. The program is hosted by Barb Lewis and co-hosted this week by Eric M. Meslin, PhD, director of the IU Center for Bioethics.

Guests will include Carl Elliott, MD, PhD, who will discuss his recent investigation of for-profit clinical trials that was published in *The New Yorker* magazine in January. Nearly 70 percent of Phase One trials are now conducted in for-profit clinics. This is a notable shift away from the old model, in which academic medical centers with strict ethical protocols managed the majority of Phase One trials. Dr. Elliott is professor in the Center for Bioethics at the University of Minnesota.

Also, two volunteers for Phase One trials who call themselves “guinea pigs” share their experiences of being in a trial.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine* as well as other helpful information can be found at [http://www.soundmedicine.iu.edu/](http://www.soundmedicine.iu.edu/). *Sound Medicine* is underwritten by the Lilly Clinic, Clarian Health, and IU Medical Group; Jeremy Shere’s “Check-Up” is underwritten by IUPUI.

Continuing Medical Education at your fingertips

Online registration and a list of grand rounds, conferences and courses are available on the Continuing Medical Education website at [cme.medicine.iu.edu](http://cme.medicine.iu.edu).

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

To access calendars and information prior to 2003, visit the old site at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar.

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

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