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## Yoder to lead Wells Center

Mervin Yoder, MD, a nationally recognized stem cell researcher, has been appointed to lead the Herman B Wells Center for Pediatric Research at IUSM and Riley Hospital.

A neonatologist, Dr. Yoder is the Richard and Pauline Klingler Professor of Pediatrics at IUSM and an investigator with the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center.

Dr. Yoder said he intends to build on the research strengths of the Wells Center and to introduce several new programs in translational medicine, neurodevelopment and molecular medicine. He also intends to work closely with Riley Children's Foundation to build an endowment for pediatric research at the Wells Center.

A accomplished scientist and entrepreneur, Dr. Yoder and his IU colleague David Ingram, MD, associate professor of pediatrics, were the first to isolate, cryopreserve and undertake assay development to prove the existence of endothelial blood-vessel-forming cells from umbilical cord blood in 2004. Using these cells, they hope to create cell therapy products to treat people with circulation problems in their arms and legs, those who have heart disease, or those with other health issues involving blood vessels and circulation. Drs. Yoder and Ingram have created EndGenitor Technologies, Inc. to pursue this application.

Dr. Yoder succeeds Mary C. Dinauer, MD, PhD, who served as the Wells Center director since 2000. Dr. Dinauer oversaw a period of robust growth and expansion that included an increase in principal investigators, research personnel, graduate students, postdoctoral and clinical subspecialty fellows and administrative staff. During the time she directed the Wells Center the number of investigators increased from 25 to 34 and NIH funding grew from \$8.9 million to \$12.5 million.

Dr. Dinauer will continue her own groundbreaking research in the area of gene therapy as the Nora Letzter Professor of Pediatrics and professor of microbiology and immunology and of medical and molecular genetics.

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## **M&M: Mindfulness in Medicine**

*Letter published in the Post-Tribune of Northwest Indiana Sunday IQ Section, 2/10/08*

On January 25, 2008, a remarkable commemoration event happened on the campus of Indiana University School of Medicine-Northwest, in Gary . First-year students, their second-year peers, and several professors had gathered in the gross anatomy lab to pay their respects to those who had “given their bodies to science” and become the cadavers these students had systematically dissected as a part of their training.

In most schools, cadavers remain anonymous. Students learn no more about them than what they discover through dissection. At IUN, however, students know names and a few details of personal history. Even more unusually, when they come to the end of their time with cadavers, the students invite family and friends of their deceased subjects to a “Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance.”

One of my colleagues helps plan and conduct this annual commemoration, and I've sometimes thought of tagging along. This year, however, more than curiosity beckoned. An old friend was among the cadavers. I had performed his wedding ceremony some years back, and more recently assisted with his funeral. To my surprise, this latest rite of passage proved as profound as those that preceded. I'm still pondering why.

Within moments of arriving, I noted clues pointing to meaningful relationships between the medical students and the individuals we'd gathered to commemorate. I asked the two students assigned to welcome guests whether they had “worked on” my friend David. “No,” they answered. “We took care of Florence.”

Of course, I thought. That's what doctors do. They don't merely work on people. They take care of them. Whatever other roles they play, cadavers remain people, and worthy of care.

The longer we remained in the laboratory, the more I understood how complex these caring relationships can become. They could never know David's wit or Florence 's voice, but these students had a remarkably intimate relationship with the individuals for whom they cared. They came to know their bodies better than those of the children they may have some day, the ones they will bathe, diaper, hold, and nurse; better in some ways than the lovers with whom they will lie skin to skin; better even than their own,

living bodies, the internal mysteries of which they will never see.

Something of this deep knowing permeated the grammar and syntax by which the students attempted to express deep gratitude for what they had learned from these “first patients,” and for all this would mean in their eventual practice of healing. Over and over, they said, “Thank you,” trying to make those simple words convey all that filled their hearts. Several supplemented words with music. Many gently salted their words with tears.

We stood that day on holy ground, lingering at the border between life and death and pondering the mystery of dead folks still gifting the living with extraordinary generosity. In the end, the simplest but greatest gift any of us can ever give is our flesh and blood. That's all a frightened child needs. It's the most anyone can truthfully promise a spouse. Even the grief-stricken benefit from our presence much more than our words.

Those soon-to-be doctors who let us eavesdrop on their sacred moment clearly understood this. David, Florence, and the others had helped to teach them anatomy, but they'd given them so much more. It seemed clear that those young men and women in lab coats would never forget the silent teachers they'd gathered to honor, and that regardless of how difficult and complex the study and practice of medicine might become for any of them, deep down, it will always remain care-giving. And their way of gifting others with themselves.

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*M&M: Mindfulness in Medicine is an editorial collaboration among the Teacher-Learner Advocacy Committee, the Relationship-Centered Care Initiative, and the Office for Medical Education and Curricular Affairs. Each column features true stories, letters, poetry or art from members of the IUSM campus community. Comments, questions, submissions or ideas for columns may be sent to [meca@iupui.edu](mailto:meca@iupui.edu).*

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## **US News graduate rankings released**

*U.S. News & World Report* has released its annual rankings of U.S. graduate school programs.

At IUSM, the primary care program was ranked 26th (16th in 2007) and its graduate research ranking was 46th (45th in 2007).

The full rankings by U.S. News can be found online at <http://www.usnews.com>/or on newsstands Monday, March 31. The America's Best Graduate Schools guidebook will be published Tuesday, April 1.

U.S. News chose three programs at Indiana University -- including its School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA) -- as top 10 among their peers. Three others, including its School of Education and Kelley School of Business, are among the magazine's top 20. For a complete report on IU's graduate program rankings, see [newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/7858.html](http://newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/7858.html)

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## Abstracts sought for IUSCC Cancer Research Day

Cancer researchers in Indiana are invited to submit research abstracts for the annual Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center Cancer Research Day on May 7.

Students, fellows, and faculty conducting cancer research at IUPUI, Indiana University-Bloomington, Purdue University, and the Walther Cancer Research Center at the University of Notre Dame are invited to present their current cancer research efforts at this year's event.

Cancer Research Day, led by James Klaunig, PhD, encourages collaboration among the cancer research institutions in the state.

Abstracts should be submitted electronically by **Wednesday, April 30**, for basic science, translational/clinical, or population science categories at [cancer.iu.edu/intranet/CRD/](http://cancer.iu.edu/intranet/CRD/). Individual laboratories may submit multiple abstracts; if space becomes limited, each laboratory will be asked to identify representative posters.

The scientific poster session is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the atrium of the VanNuys Medical Science Building. Cash awards for best posters by graduate students and by post-doctoral/medical fellows in all three research categories will be selected by a review board.

Michael J. Birrer, MD, of the National Cancer Institute will deliver the keynote address from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in room 101 of the IU Cancer Research Institute. He is with the NCI's cell and cancer biology branch and director of the Molecular Mechanisms Section.

For more information about Cancer Research Day, contact Dr. Klaunig at <mailto:jklauni@iupui.edu>.

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## Call for proposals for “Cancer Stories” – a symposium

The IU School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI and the IU School of Medicine are sponsoring a two-day symposium on “Cancer Stories: The Impact of Narrative on a Modern Malady,” Nov. 6-8. The symposium will be based on the premise that narratives about cancer have shaped the human and institutional response to cancer in America. Prose, poetry, performance and the visual arts constitute the range of narratives the symposium will explore. Included are both the production and reception of cancer stories by physicians, nurses, patients, artists, and advocates to explore how the cultural meaning of cancer has shaped the human and institutional response to it. "Cancer Stories" is a free symposium as one of a series of events surrounding the dedication of the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center.

Send electronic proposals for panels, workshops or roundtables, and individual papers to Judi Izuka Campbell, Medical Humanities Program, <mailto:jizukac@iupui.edu>, by **Friday, May 16**. Please observe a 1,000-word limit for panel proposals, 500 for workshops or roundtables, and 350 for individual papers. Proposals should include the title of the presentation(s) and proposers' complete contact details.

Visit [medhumanities.iupui.edu/symposium\\_2008.htm](http://medhumanities.iupui.edu/symposium_2008.htm) for more information

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## **Biostatistics for Health Care Providers: A Short Course**

On May 6, 7 and 8, the Division of Biostatistics will offer a short course on basic concepts of statistical methods commonly encountered in health care literature. The course, Biostatistics for Health Care Providers will be from 1 to 5 p.m. each day and is open to faculty, fellows, and residents, as well as other interested students and staff. Enrollment will be limited to the first 25 registrants.

Go to <http://www.biostat.iupui.edu/Teaching/ShortCourse> for a detailed brochure and registration form.

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## **Department of Defense medical research grants**

The fiscal year 2008 Defense Appropriations Act provides \$50 million to the Department of Defense Peer Reviewed Medical Research Program (PRMRP) to support research in 21 areas. There is an additional \$1 million Congressional appropriation for bone marrow failure disorder research.

This program is administered by the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command through the Office of the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs. Each program announcement is available electronically for downloading from the Grants.gov website (<http://www.grants.gov/>), the CDMRP website ([cdmrp.army.mil/funding/prmrp.htm](http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/prmrp.htm)) and the CDMRP eReceipt website ([cdmrp.org](http://cdmrp.org)).

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## **Ophthalmology takes a look back while screening for the future**

Department of Ophthalmology will celebrate 100 years of patient care with a free Healthy Eyes open house from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 5, at the Indiana Historical Society.

From 9 a.m. to noon, Hoosiers can receive a free vision screening from Prevent Blindness Indiana. Faculty physician, Assistant Professor Yara P. Catoira-Boyle, M.D., and other doctors IU ophthalmology faculty from the IU School of Medicine Department of Ophthalmology will be available for visitors to “Ask an Eye M.D.” questions about vision concerns. During the morning event, visitors also can receive free health information from the American Diabetes Association, Indiana Chapter; Indiana State Department of Health; Marion County Health Department; ECCO (Eye Care Community Outreach) Program, and the Indiana Lions Eye and Tissue Transplant Bank.

Louis Cantor, MD ; Hua Gao, MD, PhD ; M. Ovais Peracha , MD; Shailaja Valluri MD ; Robert Yee, MD , and Rudy Yung, MD, Several doctors from the Department of Ophthalmology, and Hugh Parry, CEO of Prevent Blindness America, will give free presentations about eye diseases that affect Indiana's aging population . The presentations will give attendees the opportunity to learn about common – but serious – eye diseases and the financial and from 9 to 11 a.m. social impact they present. The presentations will take place between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. and are free but registration (8 a.m. to 9 a.m.) is requested. The presentations are:

- Functional and Financial Impact of Vision Loss – Hugh Parry, President and CEO, Prevent Blindness America
- Glaucoma – Louis B. Cantor, M.D.
- Macular Degeneration – Hua Gao, M.D., Ph.D.
- Diabetic Retinopathy – M. Ovais Peracha, M.D.

- Healthy Body – Healthy Eyes – Shailaja Valluri, M.D.
- Epidemiology of Eye Disease – Robert D. Yee, M.D.
- Cataract – Chi-Wah (Rudy) Young, M.D.

“It's very important that we take care of our eyes and participate in healthy habits to ensure a lifetime of vision health,” said Dr. Robert Yee, Chairman, Department of Ophthalmology. “This event allows us to provide free information to the public as we observe 100 years of patient care and education in Indiana.”

For more information on the conference, the speakers or the free events, visit

<http://www.iueye.iu.edu/healthyeyes> or <http://www.pbeye.org/>

That evening Prevent Blindness Indiana will host their annual Eye Ball. This year's theme is “A Century of Sight” in recognition of centennial observances for Prevent Blindness America and the IUSM Department of Ophthalmology.

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## **Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership speakers**

The careers of two successful IUSM female faculty members will be highlighted in upcoming Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership luncheons.

On Monday, March 31, IUSM Executive Associate Dean for Research Affairs Ora Pescovitz, MD, who also is president and CEO of Riley Hospital, will be featured at the Stepping Stones luncheon beginning at 11:45 a.m. at the IUPUI Campus Center, room 405. Reservations are no longer being accepted for the presentation.

On Friday, April 18, Lisa Harris, MD, will be interviewed at the April Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the IUPUI Campus Center, room 405. In January, 2004, Dr. Harris assumed the role of CEO and medical director for Wishard Health Services, the second largest safety-net health-care system in the country in terms of outpatient visits, where in addition to her administrative responsibilities, she continues to care for patients both in inpatient and outpatient settings.

The Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership series is intended to create a forum where all faculty and students can learn about professional development through hearing the personal career journeys of successful women. The guest speaker for these sessions will be interviewed about significant milestones in their personal and professional lives that have led to career success. The sessions are open to all faculty and students, both men and women, and are sponsored by the IUSM Women's Advisory Council and the Office for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

Attendance is free and lunch will be provided. To attend Dr. Harris's luncheon presentation, RSVP your name, academic/medical department and indicate the April Stepping Stones luncheon to

<mailto:sarareed@iupui.edu>.

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## **Bioethics Journal Club – April 1**

The next meeting of the Bioethics Journal Club will be at noon, Tuesday, April 1, at the IU Center for Bioethics (3rd Floor, HITS bldg). Dr. Steven Ivy will be leading a discussion on the article entitled

"Levinas and Society's Most Vulnerable: A Philosopher's View of the Business of Healthcare" by Francis Degnin and Donna Wood.

Dr. Ivy is senior vice president for values, ethics, social responsibility and pastoral services at Clarian Health and an affiliate faculty member at the IU Center for Bioethics.

The article is posted in the Resources section of the Bioethics Journal Club Oncourse site. "Brown bag" lunch, drinks provided. Contact Robin Bandy at [rjakers@iupui.edu](mailto:rjakers@iupui.edu) for more information.

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## **Wiki training**

“Using Wikis for courses and groups” will be presented by Jim Morgan, IUSM director of educational technology, and Edward Miech, independent consultant with the IUSM Office of Medical Education and Curricular Affairs, from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, April 3, in the Medical Library, room 318.

A wiki is software that allows users to easily create, edit and link pages together. Wikis are often used to create collaborative websites. This session will explore the use of wiki software, such as the wiki feature in ANGEL and public online wikis in courses and groups. Interested? Contact Jim Morgan at [morganj@iupui.edu](mailto:morganj@iupui.edu), or call 274-1408.

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## **Health Professions Fair**

IUPUI's Pre-med Club will host a Health Professions Fair on the third and fourth floors of the IUPUI Campus Center from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, April 3. Faculty, staff and students are welcome to visit for an opportunity to receive information regarding various health related corporations, organizations, employers and academic institutions. While the main focus of this event is geared towards undergraduate and non-degree students, faculty and staff from IUPUI will be in attendance. Food and drinks will be provided.

See [pre-med.usg.iupui.edu](http://pre-med.usg.iupui.edu) for more information.

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## **AOA guest speaker**

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society Visiting Professorship Grand Rounds will present John L. Tarpley, MD, chief of general surgery at Vanderbilt University Medical Center and past director of Baptist Medical Centre in Nigeria . He will present “The Road Less Traveled at 3 p.m. Friday, April 4, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium. Students, residents, faculty and staff are invited.

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## Public health degree information

The IUSM Department of Public Health is hosting an overview for faculty, staff and students interested in learning more about the MPH Program, the graduate certificate in public health, and the Mid-America Public Health Training Center.

The program will be from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 15, in room 200 of the Science/Tech Park, 714 N. Senate. Free parking is available in the two lots north of the building. Enter the building on the canal level.

For more information and to RSVP: Leah Jansen, [lwissel@iupui.edu](mailto:lwissel@iupui.edu) or 278-0765.

Can't attend the information session in person? Log on to: [breeze.iu.edu/mp/](http://breeze.iu.edu/mp/) to attend the session from your personal computer.

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## FEED: Emerging Technologies in Education

The IUSM Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development will present “ **Emerging Technologies in Education**: iPods, Blog, Wikis....What's it all about? How do I use them for teaching and learning?” Wednesday, April 16, at the FEED workshop from 5 to 7 p.m. on the lower level of the Riley Outpatient Center , conference rooms A and B.

This workshop will help medical educators explore an assortment of the newest technological tools, see examples of how faculty have incorporated these technologies into an established curriculum, and learn strategies to integrate technology into teaching. During this two-hour workshop, participants will:

- Become familiar with new technologies available for use in teaching
- See examples of the uses of emerging instructional technology
- Evaluate the effectiveness of emerging IT for use in your own instruction

Those interested in attending should e-mail Roberta Brown at <mailto:rabrown2@iupui.edu> or phone 630-6906.

IUSM designates this educational activity for a maximum of 1.5 AMA PRA category 1 credits .

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## Deadline today for Indiana Neuroimaging Symposium

The deadline for submitting abstracts and registering for the second annual Indiana Neuroimaging Symposium is Friday, March 28, and can be accomplished by going to [www.indiana.edu/~ins/](http://www.indiana.edu/~ins/).

The symposium will be Friday, April 25, at the University Place Conference Center . The keynote speaker will be Paul Thompson, PhD, professor of neurology and biomedical engineering, David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA.

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## Race for the Cure volunteers needed April 19

The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Tissue Bank at IU Simon Cancer Center needs your help during this year's Race for the Cure on April 19. The tissue bank will be collecting blood samples from thousands of women on race day. Volunteers must be willing to attend a 45-minute training session the week of the race and work a four-hour shift on race day. The following volunteers are needed:

- Consenters (Must have taken the IU Human Subjects Test and have a Conflict of Interest statement on file with IU.)
- Questionnaire assistant: Medical/pharmaceutical knowledge is needed to assist donors with completing these questions.
- Phlebotomists: This volunteer opportunity is also open to non-Clarian and non-IU employees as well as medical/nursing students. However, volunteers from outside Clarian and IU will have to complete additional paperwork.
- Lab techs: Experience with spinning and aliquoting blood required
- General volunteers are needed to greet donors and run supplies

If you are interested in volunteering, please visit <http://www.komentissuebank.iu.edu/>. Contact Casey Allen at <mailto:calallen@iupui.edu> with any questions.

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## Fulbright scholarships for faculty and professionals

The Fulbright Scholar Program is offering 39 lecturing, research or combined lecturing/research awards in public/global health during the 2009-2010 academic year. U.S. Fulbright Scholars in over 130 countries around the world enjoy an experience of a lifetime, gaining a broad cultural perspective on their academic disciplines and connecting with colleagues at institutions around the globe.

Awards range from two months to an academic year. Faculty and professionals in public/global health apply for awards specifically in their field or for one of the many "All Discipline" awards open to any field. Grants are awarded to faculty of all academic ranks, including adjunct and emeritus. In most countries lecturing is in English, though awards in Latin America, Francophone Africa, and the Middle East may require proficiency in another language.

The application deadline for Fulbright traditional lecturing and research grants worldwide is **Friday, Aug. 1**. For eligibility requirements, detailed award descriptions, and an application, visit <file:///C:/Documents%20and%20Settings/gfitzger/Desktop/Scope%20Drafts/www.cies.org>, or send a request for materials to [apprequest@cies.iie.org](mailto:apprequest@cies.iie.org).

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## Her Lab in Your Life: Women in Chemistry

The history of women chemists is a story of great discoverers. Meet the women who dared in a free exhibit at the IUPUI Campus Center Cultural Arts Gallery. Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and 1 to 7 p.m. Sundays through April 30.

See [http://www.science.iupui.edu/news/wo\\_chem.html](http://www.science.iupui.edu/news/wo_chem.html) for more information.

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## **IUPUI surplus public auction**

Surplus items will be auction Saturday, March 29 at 1830 W. 16th Street . Doors open at 8 a.m. and bidding starts at 9 a.m. Vehicles auction at noon. See [http://www.christys.com/auction\\_detail.php?ID=378316](http://www.christys.com/auction_detail.php?ID=378316) for a listing of items.

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## **Manley awarded Edwards Fellowship**

Rachel Manley, MS3, has been awarded a John H. Edwards Fellowship, one of the Indiana University 's most prestigious academic awards. A university-wide committee selects the fellows from nominations made by the deans of all divisions and professional schools within the university that award terminal graduate degrees. Fellows are selected on the basis of superior scholastic ability and intellectual capacity, and good citizenship and character as demonstrated by a strong record of voluntary public service.

In addition to being an outstanding scholar, Manley is committed to making a difference in people's lives. She has demonstrated this commitment as both an undergraduate and in medical school choosing not only to volunteer, but to create new opportunities for others to volunteer. She was instrumental in establishing chapters of Habitat for Humanity at Evangel University , where she completed her undergraduate degree in biology and music, and at IUSM.

The amount of the fellowship for the 2008-2009 year is \$20,000 plus fee reduction privilege for out-of-state fellowship holders. The recipients are expected to devote full time to their studies.

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## **2008 Trustee Teaching Awards**

Recipients of the 2008 IUSM Trustee Teaching Awards are:

Ron Shew, Ph.D.	Anatomy
Donald Wong, Ph.D.	Anatomy
John Emhardt, M.D.	Anesthesia
Lawrence Quilliam, Ph.D.	Biochemistry
George Tanner, Ph.D.	Cellular & Integrative Physiology
James Jones, M.D.	Emergency Medicine
Scott Renshaw, M.D.	Family Medicine
Virginia Thurston, Ph.D.	Medical & Molecular Genetics
Lawrence Einhorn, M.D.	Medicine
Lawrence Lumeng, M.D.	Medicine
Asok Antony, M.D.	Medicine
Bradley Allen, M.D.	Medicine
Charles Kahi, M.D.	Medicine

William Gill, M.D.	Medicine
Noelle Sinex, M.D.	Medicine
Janice Blum, Ph.D.	Microbiology/Immunology
Linda Williams, M.D.	Neurology
Thomas Cunningham, M.D.	Obstetrics/Gynecology
David Suzuki, Ph.D.	Ophthalmology
L. Daniel Wurtz, M.D.	Orthopaedic Surgery
Tom Davis, M.D., Ph.D.	Pathology & Laboratory Medicine
Jean Molleston, M.D.	Pediatrics
John Christenson, M.D.	Pediatrics
Antoinette Laskey, M.D.	Pediatrics
Erica Eugster, M.D.	Pediatrics
William Sullivan Jr., Ph.D.	Pharmacology & Toxicology
Michael DeMotte, M.D.	Psychiatry
Richard Gunderman, M.D., Ph.D.	Radiology
Daniel Meldrum, M.D.	Surgery
Erik Streib, M.D.	Surgery
Carole Gall	Ruth Lilly Medical Library
W. Marshall Anderson, Ph.D.	Northwest Center
Mike King, Ph.D.	Terre Haute Center
Joseph Prahlow, M.D.	South Bend Center
Joel Vilensky, Ph.D.	Fort Wayne Center
Dwayne Adrian, M.D.	Muncie Center
Regina Kreisle, M.D., Ph.D.	Lafayette Center
Mark Braun, M.D.	Evansville Center
Valerie O'Laughlin, Ph.D.	Bloomington Center

For more information regarding the Trustee Teaching Awards, visit  
[meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/TTA.htm](http://meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/TTA.htm)

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## Scope to publish early

Scope will publish on Thursday, April 3, a day earlier than normal due to a technical upgrade in the IUSM server. The deadline for receipt of copy for that issue will be noon, Wednesday, April 2.

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## This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 30, 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.

This week, Alan Rogol, MD, PhD, professor of clinical pediatrics at IUSM and the University of Virginia Health System, will talk about the health effects on athletes who use human growth hormone and steroids. Dr. Rogol recently testified in the Congressional hearing on HGH use in major league baseball.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, IU assistant professor of medicine, will discuss the new Health Aging Brain Center, which focuses on research and treatment of people with "fragile brains" as well as their caregivers.

Robert Yee, MD, chair of the IU Department of Ophthalmology, will talk about the increasing incidence of blindness among aging baby boomers and what can be done to preserve their sight.

Joanne Gutek, MSc, clinical associate professor in the Purdue University Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Science, will explain the Brainbuilder's Men's Group, which was designed to give men with early stage Alzheimer's disease new coping skills to deal with memory loss. She is the founder of the group.

Allison Aubrey, a consumer health reporter for NPR, will speak about the newest techniques available to people who want a younger looking smile.

Science and health writer Eric Metcalf, a fan of extreme fighting, will compare the health risks between that sport and boxing.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine* as well as other helpful information can be found at <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.

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## 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).

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## 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](mailto:imsewell@iupui.edu).

To access calendars and information prior to 2003, visit the old site [at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar](http://www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar).

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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](mailto: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
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