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A self-reported addition to SOMnews for the School of Medicine community to share their successes.

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Events, Lectures & Workshops

Kudos to our colleagues who are experts in their fields and give their all to represent the School of Medicine!

Stephen T. Bartlett, MD

► **Stephen T. Bartlett, MD**, Barbara Baur Dunlap Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, was invited to the Royal Society of Medicine in London, England, in June 2007 to speak at one of their Specialty Section meetings. His presentation was entitled "The Transplantation of the Highly Sensitized Patient." Dr. Bartlett's invitation to speak was based not only on his superior professional knowledge but also because he is recommended as one of the best speakers in the United States regarding transplantation.

The Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) is an independent, apolitical organization founded 200 years ago. It is one of the largest providers of continuing medical education in the United Kingdom. It provides accredited courses for continuing professional development, which is so vital in allowing doctors, dentists, veterinary surgeons and other healthcare professionals their continuing freedom to practice. Its aim is to provide a broad range of educational activities and opportunities for doctors, dentists and veterinary surgeons, including students of these disciplines, and for allied healthcare professionals. The RSM promotes an exchange of information and ideas on the science, practice and organization of medicine, both within the health professions and with responsible and informed public opinion.

► **Martin F. Flajnik, PhD**, professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, presented a seminar at The Scripps Research Institute in San Diego in April 2007.

Martin F. Flajnik, PhD

Denise M. Harmening. PhD

► **Denise M. Harmening, PhD**, professor, Department of Medical & Research Technology, was an invited speaker at the College of Arts and Sciences at Qatar University in Doha, Qatar, in April. Dr. Harmening presented "Using Technology in Education and the Development of Internet-Based Courses."

Honors & Awards

Congratulations to the following faculty who have received awards and honors!

► **Thomas A. Blanpied, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Physiology, was recently named the recipient of the 2007 Daniel X. Freedman Award for outstanding basic research achievement from the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression. Dr. Blanpied received his award and a $1,000 cash prize at an award reception held in New York in July.

► **Anis Frayha, MD**, second-year resident, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, received the Trainee Book Award for his presentation "Improving Resident Call Experience and Faculty Feedback Via a PACS Integrated Feedback Tool" from the Radiology Academic Council of the Association of University Radiologists (AUR) at the AUR annual meeting in April 2007 in Denver. Co-authors of the presentation were some of Dr. Frayha's colleagues from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine: **Fauzia Vandermeer, MD**, assistant professor; **Paul Nagy, PhD**, associate professor; **Max Warnock**, IT staff; and **Stacy E. Smith, MD**, associate professor. At the same meeting, **Tara Morgan, MSIV**, was awarded a $500 prize for Best Scientific Presentation by a Trainee for "Limitations of Chemical Shift Subtraction MRI in Differentiating Between Adrenal Adenomas and Malignant Lesions," representing work she completed under the mentorship of **Eliot L. Siegel, MD**, professor, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine.

Jon Mark Hirshon, MD

► **Jon Mark Hirshon, MD**, associate professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, has been named an outstanding reviewer for 2006 by Academic Emergency Medicine. The award is bestowed on reviewers who provide excellent service to the journal by delivering high quality, timely reviews in their specific areas of interest and expertise. Dr. Hirshon reviewed manuscripts on a number of topics related to the interface of emergency medicine and public health, including injury prevention, infectious disease and health policy.

► **Nancy Ryan Lowitt, MD, EdM, FACP**, associate dean for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development and assistant professor, Department of Medicine, was selected to be a Harvard Macy Scholar in Comprehensive Assessment in Health Science Education in March 2007. Dr. Lowitt also served as a Health Resources and Services Administration Objective Review Committee reviewer of faculty development grants in April 2007.

Nancy Ryan Lowitt, MD, EdM, FACP

► **Amal Mattu, MD**, associate professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, was named the 2006 Maryland Emergency Physician of the Year by the Maryland chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians. The award was presented in recognition of his teaching at the regional and national levels.

Amal Mattu, MD

► **Andrei E. Medvedev, PhD,** assistant professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, received a Junior Faculty Travel award from the American Association of Immunologists (AAI) for his abstract entitled "Role of TLR4 Tyrosine Phosphorylation in Signal Transduction and Endotoxin Tolerance" presented at the 2007 AAI annual meeting in May in Miami.

► **Eliot L. Siegel, MD**, professor, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, was chosen as one of the top radiologists, and **Paul G. Nagy, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, was chosen as one of the top imaging informaticists, in the second annual *Medical Imaging* magazine Top 10 Awards, published in April. Drs. Siegel and Nagy were chosen by readers from across the country.

Publications

Hats off to those who have been published!

► **Omer Aras, MD**, chief nuclear medicine resident, and **Vasken Dilsizian, MD**, professor, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, were first and senior authors, respectively, of "The Role and Regulation of Cardiac Angiotensin-converting Enzyme for Noninvasive Molecular Imaging in Heart Failure," which was published in the April issue of *Current Cardiology Reports* (2007;9:150–158). In the same issue of this journal (pp. 159–165), these two authors also published "Delayed Recovery of Fatty Acid Metabolism after Transient Myocardial Ischemia: a Potential Imaging Target for 'ischemic memory'."

► **Bob Corder, MD**, assistant professor, and **Michael Abraham, MD**, resident, both from the Department of Emergency Medicine, published an article titled "Hip Fractures: Evaluation and Management" in the May 1 issue of *Trauma Reports*

► **Aletta A. Frazier, MD**, clinical associate professor, and **Jeffrey R. Galvin, MD**, professor, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, co-authored "Primary Pulmonary and Mediastinal Synovial Sarcoma: a Clinicopathologic Study of 60 Cases and Comparison with Five Prior Series," which was published on April 27 ahead of print in *Modern Pathology*.

Amy J. Horneman, PhD

► **Amy J. Horneman, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Medical & Research Technology, co-authored a manuscript entitled "Identification of a New Hemolysin from a Diarrheal Isolate SSU of *Aeromonas hydrophil*" in *FEMS Microbiology Letters*.

► **Jean Judy, MD**, assistant professor, and **Charles S. White, MD**, professor, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, published "Evaluation of Acute Chest Pain in the Emergency Department: Utility of Multidetector Computed Tomography," in the April 2007 issue of *Seminars in Ultrasound, CT, and MR* (2007;28:108–114). Drs. Judy and White, along with **Thomas Flukinger, MD**, research associate, and **Katrina Read**, research staff, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, co-authored "Use of 64-detector Multidetector CT for the Evaluation of Acute Coronary Syndrome in Patients Presenting to the Emergency Department with Chest Pain," which was published in the May 2007 issue of *Academic Emergency Medicine* (2007;14[suppl 1]:S123–124).

Ferenc Livak, MD

► **Ferenc Livak, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, co-authored an article entitled "ATM Deficiency Impairs Thymocyte Maturation because of Defective Resolution of T cell Receptor Alpha Locus Coding End Breaks" in *The Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, USA 2007, 104: 6323-6328.

► **Amal Mattu, MD**, associate professor, and **Katherine Grundmann, MD**, assistant professor, both from the Department of Emergency Medicine, and **Michael Winters, MD**, assistant professor, Departments of Medicine and Emergency Medicine, guest edited the May 2007 issue of *Clinics in Geriatric Medicine*. This is the first time emergency medicine physicians have served as guest editors of this publication. Articles were contributed by a number of physicians from the University of Maryland School of Medicine, including **Robert L. Rogers, MD**, assistant professor, **Mercedes Torres, MD**, instructor, **Siamak Moayedi, MD**, assistant professor, and **Fermin Barrueto, Jr., MD**, assistant professor, all from the Department of Emergency Medicine; **Marian P. LaMonte, MD, MSN**, associate professor, from the Departments of Neurology and Emergency Medicine; **Philip A. Mackowiak, MD**, professor, **Farhan Majeed, MD**, assistant instructor, **Mark D. Keleman, MD**, clinical associate professor, and **Robert Hood, MD**, assistant professor, all from the Department of Medicine; and **Ben Borja, MD**, assistant professor, from the Department of Psychiatry.

► **John McLenithan, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Medicine, co-published an article entitled "Omentin Plasma Levels and Gene Expression are Decreased in Obesity" in *Diabetes*, Vol. 56, June 2007.

John McLenithan, PhD

► **Eliot L. Siegel, MD**, professor, and **Nancy Knight, PhD**, assistant professor, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, co-authored "Radiology Reporting, Past, Present, and Future: The Radiologist's Perspective," which was published in the May 2007 issue of the *Journal of the American College of Radiology* (2007;4:313–319).

Publications *continued*

► **Bao Zhang, MS**, research associate, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, co-authored "The Use of Gated and 4D CT Imaging in Planning for Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy," which was published in the summer issue of *Medical Dosimetry* (2007;32:92–101).

► **Jiachen Zhuo, MS**, research associate, and **Rao Gullapalli, PhD**, associate professor, both from the Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, co-authored "Use of Diffusion Tensor Imaging to Predict Myocardial Viability after Warm Global Ischemia: Possible Avenue for Use of Non-beating Donor Hearts," which was published in the April 2007 issue of the *Journal of Heart and Lung Transplantation* (2007;26:376–383).

In the News

A job well done to all who have kept us in the media spotlight!

James B. Kaper, PhD

► **James B. Kaper, PhD**, Professor and Chair, Department of Microbiology & Immunology was quoted in *The New York Times* in a May 1, 2007, article about *E. coli* O157:H7 vaccines.

► **Ricardo A. Feldman, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, was featured on WYPR's *Maryland Morning* on May 21. He was interviewed by reporter Sheila Kast about stem cells. Dr. Feldman was also interviewed on the same subject by Chris Emery for an article that appeared in the *Baltimore Sun* on June 21.

Ricardo A. Feldman, PhD

Appointments

We applaud our colleagues on their recent achievements!

Thomas L. Pallone, MD

► **Thomas L. Pallone, MD**, professor, Departments of Medicine and Physiology, has accepted an invitation to serve as a member of the National Institutes of Health Cellular and Molecular Biology of the Kidney Study Section, Center for Scientific Review for the term July 1, 2007–June 30, 2011. Members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievement in their scientific discipline as evidenced by the quality of research accomplishments, publications in scientific journals, and other significant scientific activities, achievements and honors.

► **Ming T. Tan, PhD**, professor, Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine and Program in Oncology, received notification that he has been approved as a Fellow of the American College of Statisticians.

Announcement

The Human Research Protections Office (HRPO) has moved. The HRPO is now in Building One of the UMB BioPark. All phone numbers and the fax number will remain the same.

The new address is:

Human Research Protections Office
University of Maryland School of Medicine
800 W. Baltimore Street
Suite 100
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Grants & Contracts

Congratulations to our very productive faculty on their recent grants and contracts!

► **Omer Aras, MD**, chief nuclear medicine resident, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, has been awarded a 2007–2008 Radiological Society of North America Resident Research Grant to fund his continuing work on "Imaging Cardiac Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Activity with ^{99m}Tc-Lisinopril in Transgenic Rats Overexpressing Cardiac ACE." The award carries a $30,000 stipend.

► **Robert J. Bloch, PhD**, professor, Department of Physiology, received a five-year $1,233,755 competing renewal for his Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award for Pre-Doctoral Fellowships training grant from the National Institutes of Health entitled "Training Program in Integrative Membrane Biology."

Meredith Bond, PhD

► **Meredith Bond, PhD**, professor and chair, Department of Physiology, received a two-year $338,500 NIH Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (R21) grant from the National Institute on Aging entitled "Predicting Heart Failure: Gene Profiling of Amplified RNA from Human Biopsies."

► **Angelika Burger, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics and Program in Oncology, received a five-year $1,028,076 R01 grant from the National Cancer Institute for her work entitled "The BCA2 Ubiquitin E3 Ligase as a Target in Breast Cancer."

► **Didier Depireux, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, received a one-year $50,000 grant from the American Tinnitus Association entitled "Targeting the Changes in Inferior Colliculus Induced by Tinnitus" to pursue the development of more permanent methods for the relief of noise-induced tinnitus by elucidating the mechanism by which Lidocaine transiently reduces tinnitus in rats.

Didier Depireux, PhD

► **Richard Eckert, PhD**, professor and chair, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, has been awarded a two-year $165,000 research grant from the American Institute for Cancer Research entitled "Chemoprevention and the Bmi-1 Polycomb Gene." This project will examine the role of green tea polphenols, derived from dietary green tea, in regulating the function/level of the Bmi-1 PcG gene protein and will assess the mechanism whereby the EGCG reduction in Bmi-1 level results in reduced cancer cell survival.

Richard Eckert, PhD

► **Ricardo A. Feldman, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, received a two-year $200,000 Maryland Stem Cell Research Initiative grant from the Maryland Technology Development Corporation for his work entitled "A Model for Generation of Gaucher-specific Human Embryonic Stem Cells" and "Reconstitution of Glucocerebrosidase Expression in hES Cell-derived Macropages"

► **Amy M. Fulton, PhD**, professor, Department of Pathology and Program in Oncology, received a three-year $455,500 Department of Defense Idea Award for her work entitled "Chemokine Receptor Targeting to Inhibit Breast Cancer Metastasis."

► **Zhenqiu Liu, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine and Program in Oncology, received a one-year $74,250 R03 grant from the National Cancer Institute entitled "Statistical and Computational Methods for Systematically Mining the SNDard Gene."

► **Ferenc Livak, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, was awarded a two-year $246,000 grant from the National Institute on Aging for his work entitled "Antibody Affinity Maturation in the Aging Bone Marrow."

► **Stuart S. Martin, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Physiology and Program in Oncology, received a five-year $1,410,750 RO1 National Cancer Institute grant for his work entitled "Stabilzed Microtubule protrusions in Detached Mammary Epithelia Cells." Additionally, Dr. Martin received a three-year $445,500 Department of Defense Idea Award entitled "Targeting Detyyrosinated Microtubule Protrusions to Reduce Breast Cancer Matastasis."

Grants & Contracts *continued*

► **Haley A. Mattison, BS**, graduate student, Department of Physiology, received a three-year $88,825 F-31 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award for Individual Pre-Doctoral Fellowships to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research from the National Institutes of Health entitled "The Role of Glutamate in the Physiological Development of Dendritic Spines."

► **Joseph Mauban, PhD**, postdoctoral fellow, Department of Physiology, received a two-year $70,000 Postdoctoral Fellowship grant from the American Heart Association (Mid-Atlantic Affiliate) entitled "Putative Role of AKAP-Lbc in the Development of Increased Vascular Resistance in Hypertension."

Andrei E. Medvedev, PhD

► **Andrei E. Medvedev, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, received a one-year $50,000 intramural University of Maryland Other Tobacco-Related Diseases grant entitled "Sensing of Mycobacteria and Mycobacterial Components by Alveolar Macrophages in Smokers."

► **Christopher V. Plowe, MD**, professor, Department of Medicine, received a one-year $1,090,936 non-competing renewal from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) for his work entitled "Malaria Vaccine Trials in Mali." This project is central to the overall program goal of developing a safe and effective malaria vaccine that prevents disease and death in African infants and children. In addition, he received a one-year $461,365 non-competing renewal from the NIAID for his work entitled "Clinical Trial of Chloroquine Combinations in Malawi." The purpose of this project is to conduct a clinical efficacy trial using chloroquine (CQ) monotherapy as well as CQ in combination with other various drugs involving approximately 600 children with uncomplicated P. falciparum malaria in Blantyre, Malawi.

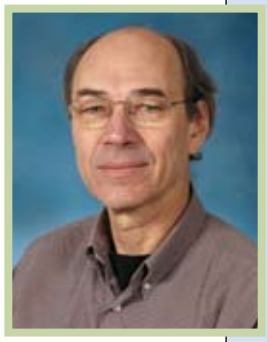
Christopher V. Plowe, MD

► **Feyruz Rassool, PhD**, associate professor, Department of Radiation Oncology and Program in Oncology, received a one-year $148,500 Exploration/Hypothesis Development Award entitled "The Role of 'Back-up' NHEJ Repair in Creating Genomic Instability in CML."

► **Nabile M. Safdar, MD**, assistant professor, Department of Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, has been awarded a $140,000 GE–Radiology Research Academic Fellowship from the Radiology Academic Council of the Association of University Radiologists. Dr. Safdar's proposed work entitled "Creating a Framework for Analyzing 'Hidden' Variables in Imaging Research with a Case Study Assessing the Effect of Extended Work Hours on Task Vigilance" will be conducted over a two-year fellowship period in conjunction with educational and clinical activities.

Edward Sausville, MD, PhD

► **Edward Sausville, MD, PhD**, professor, Department of Medicine and Program in Oncology, received a two-year $300,000 national Susan G. Komen Foundation breast cancer translational grant for his work entitled "Role of Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor and Cross Talk with Estrogen Receptor in the Response of Breast Cancer Cells to Novel Antitumor Agent Aminoflavone."



Martin Schneider, PhD

► **Martin Schneider, PhD**, professor, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, received a five-year $1.48 million renewal of a grant from the National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases to study the "Control of Calcium Release in Skeletal Muscle." In addition, the grant was awarded a two-year $175,000 minority supplement to support **Rotimi Olojo, PhD**, who joined Dr. Schneider's lab group as a postdoctoral fellow to work on this project. These studies will provide new information regarding the initiation and control of release of calcium ions into the myoplasm of skeletal muscle fibers, which triggers the chain of events leading to muscle contraction and the subsequent reversal of the process, leading to muscle relaxation in both normal and diseased muscle.

Geoffrey Schoenbaum, PhD

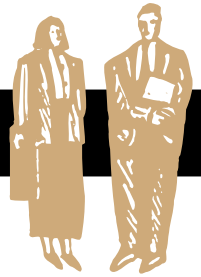
► **Geoffrey Schoenbaum, PhD**, assistant professor, Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, received a five-year $1,104,468 grant from the National Institute of Aging for his work entitled "Flexibility, Prefrontal Function, and Normal Aging."

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Dean Reece's first State of the School of Medicine Address,
"Soaring to Greater Heights, Together,"
will take place on
Tuesday, September 25, 2007, at 3:00 PM
in MSTF Auditorium.

An hors d'oeurve reception will follow in MSTF Atrium.
All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend.

New Staff



We welcome new staff!

Jane Bacon, MS

► **Jane Bacon, MS**, joined the Office of the Dean in May as a program administrative specialist. Mrs. Bacon received her BS and MS degrees from the University of Michigan. She transferred from the Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology where she was a program manager for a PPG grant studying heart failure. Previously, she worked in publications for the *Journal of Urology*.

► **Carol Glaub, MBA**, joined the Department of Emergency Medicine as its research administrator. She is responsible for pre- and post-award grant and contract activities. Before coming to the Department of Emergency Medicine Ms. Glaub was the manager of the International Health Division of the Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine.

► **Sterling A. North, BA**, joined the Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development in July as director of Continuing Medical Education (CME). Formerly associate director of Continuing Medical Education and director of Program Development in the Center for Collaborative and Interactive Technologies at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Mr. North's professional interests include the design of educational activities that impact physician performance, the application of information technologies to the CME environment and the development of competency-based curricula for CME professionals nationwide.

Sterling A. North

In Memoriam

► **Rudolph "Rudy" McCoy Williams**, interim director of Admissions, died on Saturday, June 30, 2007, while a patient at the University of Maryland Medical Center.

Mr. Williams graduated in 1970 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration from Howard University and a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army. He was then hired to work in Howard University's Admissions Office as director of the National Competitive Scholarship and Recruitment Program and as assistant director of Admissions. He performed additional study at Howard University's Graduate School of Education and the School of Law at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Mr. Williams successfully completed the Association of American Medical Colleges Executive Management Program for Vice Presidents, Associate Deans and Deans.

For more than thirty years his career centered on striving in business, health care and education. From 1972–1980, he was the assistant dean and financial aid officer for the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Medicine. While there he directed and managed the School of Medicine's Financial Aid Office with a $7 million annual budget. Over the next 21 years, Mr. Williams held various positions, including associate dean of the College of Medicine and deputy vice president for Academic Projects and Development at the SUNY Health Science Center in Brooklyn, NY, from 1982–1992. From 1992–1996, he operated The Williams Group, which focused on medical education and human resources, and from 1996–2001, he was chair and CEO of the New Orleans Comprehensive Nursing and Home Health Services, where he initiated more than $10 million in program support.

Rudolph "Rudy" McCoy Williams

In January 2001, he was appointed executive director of the Washington, DC-based National Medical Association, which represents the interests of more than 30,000 African American physicians and the patients they serve. In August 2004, he joined the University of Maryland School of Medicine's Office of Admissions where he continued his life-long journey of increasing the number of African American students into medical school.

A retired officer from the U.S. Army Reserve, Mr. Williams was a connoisseur of the arts, a gourmet cook and an avid reader of Shakespeare.

Buzz Contacts

Many thanks to the following people who serve as your liaisons for the information you see in *What's the Buzz*? Please send information (within the realm of the categories listed above) that you would like to see in the *Buzz* to the appropriate person within your department, program, center or office.

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Biochemistry & Molecular Biology: Bruce Reinecke
Dermatology: Ron Goldner
Diagnostic Radiology & Nuclear Medicine: Nan Knight
Emergency Medicine: Linda Kesselring
Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine: Kassy Santoni
Family & Community Medicine: Elon Burley
Institute of Human Virology: Tim McCoy
MD/PhD Program: Nancy Malson
Medical & Research Technology: Cynthia Stambach
Medicine: Molly Lutz
Microbiology & Immunology: Carol Kozimor
Neurology: Paula Gilley
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Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences: Adrian Bergin
Ophthalmology: Nancy Cook
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Otorhinolaryngology: Bryan Ambro
Pathology: Carmen Wooden
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Program in Neuroscience: Tom McHugh
Program in Oncology: Stephen Long
Program in Trauma: Cynthia Rivers
Center for Health Policy & Health Services Research: Shiraz Mishra
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Center for Mucosal Biology Research or MBRC: Pam King
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