

The Faculty Commons



“commons”: (n) a place where members of a community meet for sharing, support and recognition

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“Community”



Pictured Left to Right: Paula Trief, PhD, Senior Associate Dean, Office of Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development; Ann Botash, MD, Facilitator of the Workshop Dinner; Cinthia Elkins, MD, PhD, Presenter; Joe Stein, PhD, Committee Chair; Carol Recker Hughes, PT, PhD, Presenter; Vladimir Sirotkin, PhD, Presenter; Christopher Morley, PhD, MA, CAS, Co-Author; Gary Brooks, PT, DrPH, Co-Author; Kevin Neville, PT, DPT, CCS, Co-Author; Lauren Germain, PhD, Co-Author.

Annual Faculty Scholars Workshop and Dinner

The 2017 Faculty Scholars Workshop Dinner was held in the New Academic Building on Tuesday, June 6th. Upstate faculty members and staff who had participated in a Faculty Educator Development Seminar, Faculty Toolbox workshop, or Medical Education Journal Club meeting during the 2016-17 academic year were invited. This year's theme for the 3 presentations was “Upstate Innovations in Student Education.” The annual event is organized by the Faculty Educator Development committee, the presentation selection sub-committee was chaired by Ann Botash, MD, and the dinner is sponsored by the *Office of Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development*.

Honors and Awards

Honors & Awards ~ Congratulations to:

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, *Urology*, was chosen as the "UH-Downtown Campus Provider of the Year" and was presented with an award at the President's Employee Recognition Award Ceremony on June 29, 2017.

Amy E. Caruso Brown, MD, MSc, MSDS, *Center for Bioethics and Humanities*, was awarded the Andrew Markus Visiting Scholarship at the Ethox Centre and Green Templeton College, University of Oxford.

Simone Seward MPH, *Public Health & Preventive Medicine*, was selected to attend the 2017 SUNY Summer Leadership Retreat. She is one of just 35 individuals selected across all SUNY institutions. The summer program is a week-long retreat to enhance the leadership skills of the participants, making them more effective managers on their campuses and preparing them to take on more leadership responsibilities within SUNY in the future.

Li-Ru Zhao, PhD, MD, *Neurosurgery*, has been awarded the 2017 Bernard Sanberg Memorial Award for Brain Repair from the American Society of Neural Therapy and Repair (ASNTR). The award recognizes Dr. Zhao's significant research contributions in acute and chronic stroke, vascular dementia, traumatic brain injury (TBI), and Alzheimer's disease. It was presented April 29 at the organization's annual meeting



The following individuals are recipients of a 2017 SUNY Chancellor's Award and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 13th:

Timothy A. Damron, MD, *Orthopedic Surgery*, Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities

Jennifer Moffat, PhD, *Microbiology & Immunology*, Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching

Sharon E. Huard, MS, *Student Affairs*, Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service

The following members of the faculty are recipients of a 2017 President's Award, and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 13th:

Wenyi Feng, PhD, *Biochemistry & Molecular Biology*, President's Award for Excellence in Basic Research by a Young Investigator

Francesca Pignoni, PhD, *Ophthalmology*, President's Award for Excellence and Leadership in Research

Henry S. Roane, PhD, *Pediatrics*, President's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service

Honors and Awards



Virginia P. Young, MLS, *Health Sciences Library*, President's Award for Excellence in Library Science

President's Awards for Excellence in Teaching:

John S. Andrade, MD, *Pediatrics*, College of Medicine, Clinical Department

Robert W. Zajdel, PhD, *Cell and Developmental Biology*, College of Medicine, Basic Science Departments/College of Graduate Studies

Roberta A. Rolland, PhD, RN, FNP, *College of Nursing*

Amy C. DeBlois, PT, DPT, *Physical Therapy Education*, *College of Health Professions*

Taseer Ahmed Minhas, MD, Binghamton Campus, *Neurology*

The following individual has been selected to be inducted into The Academy of Upstate Educators and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 13th:

Lauren Germain, PhD, Director of Evaluation, Assessment and Research, Curriculum Office

Leadership In Service

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National Leadership

Stephen Albanese, MD, Chair, *Orthopedic Surgery*, was elected president of the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America (POSNA), at the organization's annual meeting in May. POSNA is a professional society of more than 1,200 surgeons, physicians and allied health professionals dedicated to improving the care of children with musculoskeletal disorders. He is currently vice president of POSNA and will serve as president of the organization for one year, beginning in 2019.



Grants

Grants Awarded

Audrey M. Bernstein, MD, Ophthalmology, PI
BrightFocus Foundation
Autophagic Dysfunction in Exfoliation Glaucoma
7/1/2017-6/30/2018
\$ 56,250

Deborah Y. Bradshaw, MD, Neurology, PI
Cytokinetics, Inc.
CY 4033: A Phase 3, Open-Label Extension Study of Tirasemtiv for Patients with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Who Completed VITALITY-ALS (CY 4031)
1/13/2017-1/12/2018
\$ 10,500

Deborah Y. Bradshaw, MD, Neurology, PI
Muscular Dystrophy Association of America
The MDA Care Center at SUNY Upstate Medical University
1/1/2017-12/31/2017
\$10,000

Jay M. Brenner, MD, Emergency Medicine, PI
JDP Therapeutics, Inc.
A Phase III, Multi-center, Double Blind, Randomized, Active Controlled Clinical Trial to evaluate the Non-Inferiority Comparing Cetirizine Injection 10mg to Diphenhydramine Injection, 50 mg, for the Treatment of Acute Urticaria
2/27/2017-2/26/2018
\$ 3,750

Robert Corona, Jr, DO, Pathology, PI
Empire State Development Corp.
CNY Biotech Certified Business Incubator
4/1/2017-3/31/2018
\$ 124,959

Joseph B. Domachowske, MD, Pediatrics, PI
Actelion Clinical Research, Inc.
A Prospective, Multicenter Study to Investigate the Pharmacokinetics, Safety, and Efficacy of Cadazolid Versus Vancomycin in Pediatric Subjects with *Clostridium difficile*-associated Diarrhea
5/2/2017-5/1/2018



Grants

Joseph B. Domachowske, MD, *Pediatrics*, PI

GlaxoSmithKline, Inc.

A Phase I/II Randomised, Observer-blind, Controlled Multi-country Study to Assess the Safety, Reactogenicity and Immunogenicity of a Single Intramuscular Dose of GSK Biologicals' Investigational RSV Vaccine (GSK 3003891A), in Healthy Pregnant Women Aged 18 to 40 Years and Infants Born to Vaccinated Mothers

6/23/2017-6/22/2018

Jason A. Horton PhD, *Orthopedic Surgery*, PI

Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund

Role of Marrow Adiposity in Skeletal Metastasis of Breast Cancer

12/2017-11/2019

\$50,000

Burk Jubelt, MD, *Neurology*, PI

Alkermes, Inc.

A Phase 3 Study in Subjects with Relapsing Remitting Multiple Sclerosis to Evaluate the Tolerability of ALKS 8700 and Dimethyl Fumarate

5/4/2017-5/3/2018

Burk Jubelt, MD, *Neurology*, PI

Alkermes, Inc.

A Phase 3 Open Label Study to Evaluate the Long-term Safety and Tolerability of ALKS 8700 in Adults with Relapsing Remitting Multiple Sclerosis

5/30/2017-5/29/2018

Lisa M. Lai, MD, *Surgery*, PI

Alliance Foundation Trials LLC

Comparison of Operative versus Medical Endocrine Therapy for Low Risk DCIS: The (COMET Trial)

7/10/2017-7/9/2018

Ken A. Mann, PhD, *Orthopedic Surgery*, PI,

Megan E. Oest PhD, Jason A. Horton PhD, Timothy A. Damron, MD, co-Is
National Institutes of Health

Etiology and Prevention of Loss of Fixation in Cemented Knee Replacements

8/2017-7/2022

\$1.78M

Mehdi Mollapour, PhD, *Urology*, PI

National Institutes of Health: National Institute of General Medical Sciences

Crosstalk Between Post-translational Regulations of the FNIP Co-chaperones and Their Impact on Hsp90 Chaperone Function and Drug Binding

7/2017-6/2018

\$1,750,000



Grant Application Process

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Grants

Christian C. Knutsen, MD, *Emergency Medicine*, PI
National Association of EMS Physicians
NHTSA Cooperative Agreement Award
9/15/2016-9/14/2019
\$ 83,052

Megan E. Oest PhD, *Orthopedic Surgery* PI
Jason A. Horton PhD, Ken A. Mann PhD, Timothy A. Damron, MD, co-Is
National Institutes of Health
Reducing Post-Radiotherapy Bone Fragility Through Orchestrated Cell Survival
8/2017-7/2022
\$1.78M

Kristopher Paolino, MD, *Medicine*, PI
Allergan Sales, LLC
A Phase 2, Open-Label, Randomized, Multicenter Study to Compare the Efficacy and Safety of Dalbavancin to Standard of Care Antibiotic Therapy for the Completion of Treatment of Patients With Complicated Bacteremia or Documented Infective Endocarditis
7/6/2017-5/31/2018

Kristopher Paolino, MD, *Medicine*, PI
Allergan Sales, LLC
A Phase 2, Multicenter, Open-label, Randomized, Comparator-controlled Trial of the Safety and Efficacy of Dalbavancin versus Active Comparator in Adult Subjects with Osteomyelitis Known or Suspected to be due to Gram-Positive Organisms
6/13/2017-6/12/2018

Andras Perl, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, PI
Health Science Center Foundation of Syracuse
Lupus, Autoimmunity, Inflammation and Immune Health Center of Excellence (LACE)
7/1/2017-6/30/2018
\$ 53,200

Bernard J. Poiesz, MD, *Medicine*, PI
Clovis Oncology, Inc.
TRITON2: A Multicenter, Open-label Phase 2 Study of Rucaparib in Patients with Metastatic Castration-resistant Prostate Cancer Associated with Homologous Recombination Deficiency
4/17/2017-4/16/2018
\$ 12,250

Grants

Bernard J. Poiesz, MD, *Medicine*, PI

Clovis Oncology, Inc.

TRITON3: A Multicenter, Randomized, Open-label Phase 3 Study of Rucaparib Versus Physician's Choice of Therapy for Patients with Metastatic Castration-resistant Prostate Cancer Associated with Homologous Recombination Deficiency

6/15/2017-6/14/2018

Mark E. Polhemus, MD, *Medicine*, PI

US Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity

The Effect of Antimalarial Drugs on the Immune Response to Rabies Vaccine for Post-exposure Prophylaxis (Personnel)

9/29/2016-2/28/2-18

Elizabeth A Reddy, MD, *Medicine*, PI

University of Rochester

University of Rochester Center for AIDS Research URF (AWD527703)

8/1/2016-4/30/2018

\$ 73,002

Amy E. Sanders, MD, *Neurology*, PI

Suven Life Sciences, Ltd

A Phase 2A Multicenter, Randomized, Double-Blind, Parallel Group, 26-Week, Placebo-Controlled Study of 50 mg and 100 mg of SUVN-502 in Subjects with Moderate Alzheimer's Disease Currently Treated with Donepezil Hydrochloride and Memantine Hydrochloride

5/17/2017-5/16/2018

Amy E. Sanders, MD, *Neurology*, PI

Neurim Pharmaceuticals, Ltd

Randomized, Double-blind, Parallel-group, Placebo-controlled, Dose-ranging Study of Piromelatine in Patients with Mild Dementia Due to Alzheimer's Disease

12/15/2016-12/14/2017

Zulma S. Tovar-Spinoza, MD, *Neurosurgery*, PI

Monteris Medical Corp.

Laser Ablation of Abnormal Neurological Tissue using Robotic NeuroBlate System (LAANTERN) Prospective Registry

6/21/2017-6/20/2018

Richard D. Veenstra, PhD, *Pharmacology*, PI

American Heart Association, Inc.

Acetylation and Modulation of the Cardiac L-type Ca²⁺ Current by HDAC Inhibitors

7/1/2017-6/30/2018

\$ 77,000



Grants



Leonard B. Weiner, MD, Medicine, PI

Merck Sharp and Dohme Corp.

A Phase II, Double-Blind, Randomized, Multicenter Study to Evaluate the Safety, Tolerability, and Immunogenicity of V114 Compared to Prevnar12 in Healthy Infants

2/2/2017-2/1/2018

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, PI

Kowa Research Institute, Inc.

Pemafibrate to Reduce Cardiovascular Outcomes by Reducing Triglycerides in Patients with Diabetes

3/22/2017-3/21/2018

Richard J. H. Wojcikiewicz, PhD, Pharmacology, PI

National Institutes of Health: National Inst of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases

Mechanism of IP3 Receptor Processing by the ERAD Pathway and Analysis of the IP3 Receptor-erlin 1/2 complex-RNF170 Axis

7/1/2017-5/31/2018

\$ 1,620,000

Yunlei Yang, PhD, Neuroscience & Physiology, PI

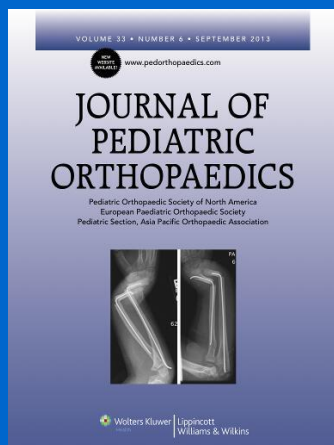
National Institutes of Health: National Inst of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases

Astrocytic Target Mechanisms in Obesity

8/1/2017-7/31/2021

\$ 1,667,452

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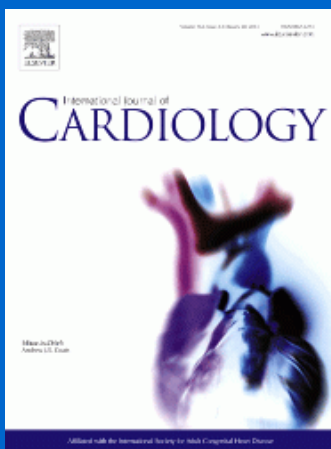
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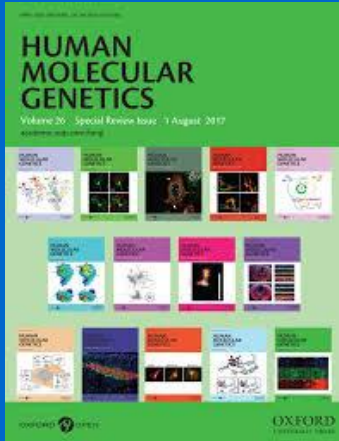
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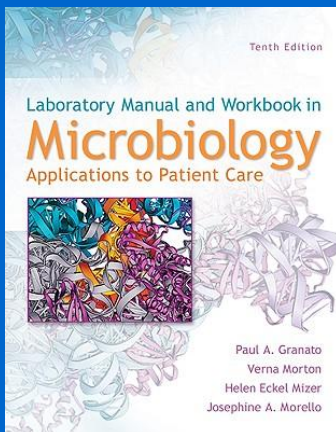
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Books & Book Chapters



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Posters



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Kobayashi K, et al. Chest ports placed in primary lung cancer: Incidence and risk factors. World Conference on Interventional Oncology, Boston, MA June 2017

Prince, M, Daugherty, M, **Trussell, JC**. Hypogonadal men with idiopathic infertility have more sperm than eugonadal men. NE AUA Annual Conference, Savannah GA, October 12, 2017

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Presentations



Presentations

International

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, *Urology*, presented "Precision Medicine in Prostate Cancer," at the Program of the Solemn Meeting Dedicated to the 90th Anniversary of the Academician Mir-Mammad Javad-zada, Baku, Azerbaijan, June, 2017.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, *Urology*, presented "The Possible Impossible: Video Demonstration and Discussion of Challenging Clinical Cases," and "Repeated Ipsilateral Kidney Resection in Case of a Recurrence is: A Method of Choice," at the Russian International Symposium RUSSCO-Kidney Cancer Association, St. Petersburg, Russia, May, 2017.

Presentations



Mehdi Mollapour PhD, Urology, presented “Tsc1 Co-chaperone Decelerates Hsp90 Chaperone Cycle and Prevents Clients from Proteasomal Degradation,” at 2017 International Research Conference on TSC and LAM, Washington DC, June, 2017.

Frederick Werner, MME, PE, Orthopedic Surgery, presented “Effect of Extensor Carpi Ulnaris Tendon Loading on Scaphoid Pronation during Dynamic Wrist Motions in the Intact and Unstable Wrist,” and “A Dart Throwing Motion,” at the Eleventh Symposium of Hand and Wrist Biomechanics International, Brisbane, Australia, July 2107.

Frederick Werner, MME, PE, Orthopedic Surgery, presented “Dart Throwing Motion, Importance of ADL’s During Rehabilitation After Injury,” at the Queensland Hand Surgery Society, Annual Guest Dinner Speaker, Brisbane, Australia, July 2017.

National



Paul A. Granato, PhD, Pathology, presented “Zoster the Imposter – A Look at Varicella-zoster Virus and Herpes” for a national webinar broadcast, in May 2017.

Paul A. Granato, PhD, Pathology, presented “Genital Zoster Infections – an Unexpected Finding Using a Molecular Assay,” for a national PACE accredited webinar sponsored by Thermo-Fisher in July 2017.

State & Local



Claire Aloan, MS, RT, Respiratory Therapy Education, CHP, presented “Helping Department Managers Prepare Their Staff for Future Roles As RTs,” at the annual New York/New Jersey Manager/Educator Conference, Round Top, NY, Jun 2017.

Mara Kaufmann, ND, MS, RN, CNE, College of Nursing, presented “Coalition Building Blocks - How to Join Forces in a Fast-Paced Environment,” at the 2017 Future of Nursing Summit: Influential, Industrious, and Inclusive...Nurses Matter in Improving the Health of the Public,” at the Sage College Armory, Albany, NY, June 8, 2017.

Dmitriy Nikolavsky, MD, Urology, presented “Genitourinary Trauma: When to Operate and When to Observe,” at the 16th Annual Current Concepts in Men’s Health Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY, Aug. 2017.

Presentations



Community

Upstate Medical University's hour-long talk radio program, "HealthLink on Air" appears twice – from 6 to 7 am and from 9 to 10 pm, Sundays, on WRVO Public Media. The show and individual interviews are also available as podcasts in iTunes. Each interview segment is archived at www.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair, as well. Many of the interviews draw on the expertise of Upstate faculty. To suggest an interview, please contact Amber Smith in Marketing & University Communications at smithamb@upstate.edu or 464-4822.

The following members of the faculty participated in the past quarter:

Elizabeth Asiago-Reddy, MD

Robert Carhart, MD

Barry Esrig, MD

Brian Harley, MD

Lisa Lai, MD

Frank Middleton, PhD

Deirdre Neilen, PhD

Richard O'Neill, PhD

Ronald Pies, MD

Jeffrey Schweitzer, PhD

Ahmed Shawkat, MD

Timothy Byler, MD

Thomas Curran, MD

Steven Hanes, PhD

Jason Horton, PhD

William Marx, DO

Gloria Morris, MD, PhD

Robert Olick, JD, Ph

William Paolo, MD

Jesse Ryan, MD

Andrea Shaw, MD

Diane St. Fleur, MD

Department News



Department News

The **Department of Respiratory Therapy Education, College of Health Professions**, received the 2016 Distinguished RRT Credentialing Success Award from the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC). In selecting programs for this recognition, the CoARC Board used objective criteria based on key accreditation metrics documented in the 2016 Annual Report of Current Status (RCS). These programs were required to: (1) have three or more years of outcomes data; (2) hold accreditation without a progress report; (3) document RRT credentialing success of 90% or above, and (4) meet or exceed established CoARC thresholds for CRT credentialing success, attrition and positive (job) placement. Eighty seven (87) out of approximately 405 programs in the country met these criteria. **Claire Aloan, MS, RRT-NPS, FAARC**, Associate Professor and Interim Program Director for Respiratory Therapy Education, accepted the award from CoARC President Brad Leidich at the CoARC reception held during the 2017 AARC Summer Forum.

Department News



The **Department of Urology** held its 3rd Annual Makhuli Lectureship on Reconstructive Urology on May 18, 2017. International faculty members included Dr. Francisco Martins and Dr. Natalia Martins from Lisbon, Portugal, Dr. Erick Ramirez Perez and Dr. Damian Alvarado from Mexico, and Dr. Juan de Benito from Argentina. National Faculty members included: Professor Kenneth Peters, Chief of Urology, Beaumont Health, Royal Oak, MI; Professor Larry Sirls, Director of FPMRS, Beaumont Hospital; Dr. Lee Zhao, NYU, New York; Dr. Paul Rusilko, Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA; and Dr. Laura Chang Kit, Albany College of Medicine, The Urological Institute of Northeastern NY.

Promotions



Promotions

Amit Dhamoon, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

James Dwyer, PhD, *Bioethics & Humanities*, was promoted to Professor (previously tenured).

Rachel Hopkins, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

Sarah Lappin, DO, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

Megan Oest, PhD, *Orthopedic Surgery*, was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure.

Henry Roane, MD, *Pediatrics*, was promoted to Professor.

New Faculty

New Faculty

Runa Acharya, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Acharya received her medical degree from the University of Nebraska Medical Center and completed her residency at the University of Iowa-Des Moines. She pursued additional training in Endocrinology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

Tolani Ajagbe, MD, Assistant Professor, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*

Dr. Ajagbe received his medical degree from the University of Ibadan and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training at Upstate in Addiction Psychiatry.

Welcome!

New Faculty



Claire Aloan, RT, MS, RRT-NPS, FAARC, Associate Professor, *College of Health Professions - Respiratory Therapy Education*

Ms. Aloan received her Associates Degree at SUNY Upstate Medical University, a BA in Biology from Syracuse University, and an MS in Health Education from SUNY Cortland. She has been on the faculty of Onondaga Community College. She joins us most recently from the staff of Rochester Regional Health.

Sadia Ashraf, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Ashraf received her medical degree from Fatima Jinnah Medical College and completed her residency at SUNY Buffalo. She pursued additional training in Endocrinology at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She has been on staff of St. Luke's Hospital, Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center and Catholic Medical Center.

Kathleen Beney, MS, RRT-NPS, Associate Professor, *College of Health Professions -Respiratory Therapy Education*

Ms. Beney earned her RT degree from SUNY Upstate and her Bachelor and Master degrees in Health Education from Syracuse University. She holds a CAS in Educational Administration from SUNY Oswego, and is ABD in the SU School of Education Program in Teaching and Curriculum. She has been on the faculty at Upstate and Onondaga Community College. She joins us most recently from the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

Audrey Bernstein, PhD, Associate Professor, *Ophthalmology*

Dr. Bernstein received her doctoral degree from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine and completed her postdoctoral training at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. She comes to us from the faculty of Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

Clarissa Cassol, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pathology*

Dr. Cassol received her medical degree from Santa Catarina Federal University and completed her residency at the University of Toronto. She pursued additional training at the University of Toronto in Renal Pathology.

Mahmoud Chehab, MD, Assistant Professor, *Urology*

Dr. Chehab received his medical degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Mark Crye, MD, Assistant Professor, *Surgery*

Dr. Crye received his medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed his residency at the Allegheny Health Network.

Mashaal Dhir, MD, Assistant Professor, *Surgery*

Dr. Dhir received his medical degree from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and completed his residency at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. He pursued additional training in Surgical Oncology and in Endocrine Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

New Faculty

Stacey Elliott, DO, Assistant Professor, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*
Dr. Elliott received her degree of osteopathic medicine from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Jacob Feldman, MD, Instructor, *Otolaryngology*
Dr. Feldman received his medical degree from the University of Arizona and completed his residency at the University of Wisconsin.

Andrea Ferrari, MD, Instructor, *Emergency Medicine*
Dr. Ferrari received her medical degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine and completed her residency at SUNY Downstate.

Hilary Gamble, MD, Assistant Professor, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*
Dr. Gamble received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University.

George Gluz, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*
Dr. Gluz received his medical degree from St. George's University School of Medicine and completed his residency at Albany Medical College. He has been in private practice and on the faculty of the University of California (UCLA).

Mitchell Gore, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, *Otolaryngology*
Dr. Gore received his medical and doctoral degrees from, and completed his residency at, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He pursued additional training at UNC Chapel Hill in Rhinology/Anterior Skull Base Surgery. He has been in private practice.

Jesse Gutnick, MD, Assistant Professor, *Surgery*
Dr. Gutnick received his medical degree from Pennsylvania State University and completed his residency at The Cleveland Clinic. He pursued additional training in Outcomes Research and Endocrine Surgery at Cleveland Clinic, and in Bariatric and Advanced Gastrointestinal Surgery at Duke University Medical Center.

Sherrie Hale, PhD, Instructor, *Cell & Developmental Biology*
Dr. Hale received her doctoral degree from, and completed her postdoctoral training at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. She has been on the faculty of Onondaga Community College, Colgate University, SUNY Institute of Technology, and LeMoyne College.

Abha Harish, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*
Dr. Harish received her medical degree from All India Institute of Medical Sciences and completed her residency at Creighton University Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Nephrology and Hypertension at the University of Alabama. She joins us from Crouse Hospital.



New Faculty

Welcome New Faculty

Aamer Imdad, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pediatrics*

Dr. Imdad received his medical degree from The Aga Khan University and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Pediatric Gastroenterology at Vanderbilt University.

Joseph Jacob, MD, Assistant Professor, *Urology*

Dr. Jacob received his medical degree from The Ohio State University-Columbus and completed his residency at Indiana University- Indianapolis. He pursued additional training at Indiana University-Indianapolis in Urologic Oncology.

Mobin Karimi, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, *Microbiology & Immunology*

Dr. Karimi received his doctoral degree from the University of Massachusetts and completed his postdoctoral training at the University of Pennsylvania. He received his medical degree from Kubal Medical University.

Jessica Latzman, MD, Assistant Professor, *Anesthesiology*

Dr. Latzman received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, Mount Sinai School of Medicine. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Anesthesia at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

Jonathan Latzman, MD, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Latzman received his medical degree from New York University School of Medicine and completed his residency at Montefiore Medical Center. He pursued additional training in Interventional Radiology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

Christine Lupone, MPH, Instructor, *Public Health & Preventive Medicine*

Ms. Lupone received her Master's in Public Health degree at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She has worked as the Director for Global Health Education at Upstate.

Anand Majmudar, MD, Instructor, *Radiology*

Dr. Majmudar received his medical degree from BJ Medical College and completed his residency at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center.

Michael Miller, DO, Assistant Professor, *Anesthesiology*

Dr. Miller received his degree of osteopathic medicine from New York College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Pain Management at Upstate.

Mujtaba Mohammed, MD, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Mohammed received his medical degree from Weill-Cornell Medical College and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Rana Naous, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pathology*

Dr. Naous received her medical degree from American University of Beirut and completed her residency at University Hospital Case Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Soft Tissue and Bone Pathology at the Cleveland Clinic, and in Cytopathology and Hematopathology at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

New Faculty

Welcome New Faculty

Refky Nicola, DO, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Nicola received his degree of osteopathic medicine from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his residency at Cooper University Hospital. He pursued additional training in Musculoskeletal Radiology at the University of Rochester. He has been on the faculty of the University of Rochester and the University of Massachusetts.

Lu'ay Nubani, MD, Assistant Professor, *Anesthesiology*

Dr. Nubani received his medical degree from Damascus University and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Obstetric Anesthesia and Pediatric Anesthesia at Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo.

Heidi Ochs, DO, Assistant Professor, *Pediatrics*

Dr. Ochs received her degree of osteopathic medicine from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed her residency at the Cleveland Clinic.

Gaddum Reddy, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, *Neurosurgery*

Dr. Reddy received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, Baylor College of Medicine. He pursued additional training in Functional Neurosurgery at University of Toronto.

Deepali Sharma, MD, Assistant Professor, *Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Sharma received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. She also pursued additional training at Upstate in Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine.

Monda Shehata, MD, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Shehata received her medical degree from Ain Shams University School of Medicine and completed her residency at Mercy Catholic Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Cardiovascular Imaging at Northwestern University.

Umair Sheikh, MD, Assistant Professor, *Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Sheikh received his medical degree from Ross University School of Medicine and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Diane St. Fleur, MD, Assistant Professor, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*

Dr. St. Fleur received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. She pursued additional training at Upstate in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and in Forensic Psychiatry.

Kathryn Tindall, MS, RRT, Assistant Professor, *College of Health Professions - Respiratory Therapy Education*

Ms. Tindall earned her RT degree from Onondaga Community College, her BS from SUNY Empire College, and a Masters in Teaching from SUNY Cortland. She joins us most recently from staff of St. Joseph's Hospital and has been a member of the voluntary faculty at Upstate.

New Faculty

WELCOME

Nicole Topich, MSLIS, Senior Assistant Librarian, *Health Sciences Library*
Ms. Topich earned her MSLIS from the University of Pittsburgh. She has held internships at the Clinton Presidential Library and the Library of Congress. She was most recently employed at the National Archives in College Park, Maryland.

Katherine Willer, DO, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Willer received her degree of osteopathic medicine from Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed her residency at Doctors' Hospital. She pursued additional training in Women's Imaging at Foedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital.

Awss Zidan, MD, Instructor, *Neurology*

Dr. Zidan received his medical degree from the University of Aleppo Faculty of Medicine and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Pain Management at Upstate.

Faculty Governance

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Dear Faculty,

Congratulations to Heather Shannon, NP for her election to serve as a SUNY Senator and to Chris Tanski, MD to serve as SUNY Alternate Senator! Thank you to Richard King, MD, Raul Seth, MD, and Faisal Siddiqui, MD for running. The election was conducted electronically between August 1 – August 8, and the term of service will be until June 2020. Thank you to the Council Operations committee, including Dale Avers, PhD (outgoing Chair), Christopher Morley, PhD, Amy Slutsky, PhD (incoming Chair), and Maria Wheelock, NP, for organizing the election.

As many of you noticed, the search for the CHP Dean will be conducted by the UEC, however, I have received assurances from the President that faculty will be consulted prior to the selection of a worthy candidate.

Thank you to Paula Trief, PhD, for her service as Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development! She certainly will leave big shoes to fill. As you may have seen, the Dean of the College of Medicine will be conducting a search for her replacement.

Please join us for Convocation on September 13 in the Weiskotten Alumni Auditorium at 4 pm! We will start off the academic year with the issuing of the Chancellor and President awards.

Sincerely,

Jay Brenner, MD, Chair, Faculty Council

Faculty Governance



In Memoriam



In Memoriam

Frank Deaver Thomas, MD, Radiology, of Sarasota, Florida, passed away on February 8, 2017. He was born in Albany, Georgia. He was a graduate of Duke University (AB 1957) and received his medical training at the Medical College of Georgia (MD 1961). After an internship and internal medicine residency at the Medical College of Georgia, Dr. Thomas became a fellow in Nuclear Medicine at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Following completion of his fellowship, he served as a member of the department's faculty. In 1970, Dr. Thomas joined the Nuclear Medicine Faculty at Upstate Medical University. There he served as director of Nuclear Medicine from 1975 until his retirement in 2005. During that time, Dr. Thomas was a guest lecturer at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Bethesda National Naval Medical Center. Dr. Thomas was a member of the Society of Nuclear Medicine and the Onondaga County (NY) Medical Society. On invitation, he became a member of the Thursday Night Club, a century old organization of Central New York physicians, and there he served as its secretary and vice-president. Dr. Thomas was an avid sailor, woodworker, skier, and pianist. He leaves behind his loving wife, Mary Jean and two sons, F. Deaver Thomas, Jr.(Susan) and W. Owen Thomas (Elizabeth).

Faculty Development - Upcoming Events

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Please RSVP to Michele Henderson at (hendermi@upstate.edu) or telephone (315-464-1681) if you are interested in attending any of the following events.

Medical Education Journal Club - Monday September 11, 2017
12-1pm New Academic Bldg Room
1144

“Enacting Pedagogy in Curricula: On the Vital Role of Governance in Medical Education”

Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology and Ann Botash, MD, Professor, Pediatrics

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Please RSVP: hendermi@upstate.edu or 464-1681



Faculty Development - Upcoming Events

Minority Faculty and Residents Monthly Mtg. **Tues. Sept. 12, 2017** **12 - 1 PM** **Room 1164 Weiskotten Hall (Roosevelt Conference Room)**

Where an open discussion will take place about minority faculty & resident issues and opportunities.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Please RSVP: hendermi@upstate.edu or 464-1681

Active Learning Collaborative Monthly Meeting **Monday September 25, 2017** **12:00 – 1:00 PM** **Room 1508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

Peer mentoring group to support development and implementation of interactive, engaging teaching methods.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

RSVP:
Michele Henderson
hendermi@upstate.edu
or 464-1681

Faculty Development Seminar Series – **Tuesday Sept. 26, 2017** **12-1pm** **Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library**

“Teaching Basic Science for Clinical Skills”

Presenter: **William Marx, DO**, *Professor – Dept. of Surgery, and VA Hospital*

~ Lunch will be provided ~



Upcoming Events

The Academy of Upstate Educators Announce... The B.E.S.T. Program

(Build Excellent Skills for Teaching)

**Thursday Oct. 5th and Wednesday Oct. 11th
4 – 6 PM
Room 1507/1508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

If you are an Asst. Prof. and joined the faculty on or after July 1, 2015, you are required to participate in the BEST course within your first 2 years on the faculty. We will offer this course twice per year, in the fall and spring, so sign up now and get off to a great start!

The classes are scheduled for 2 dates (You must attend both workshops for credit):

This is a 4 session course (2 sessions per workshop).
Topics include:

- How to create a safe learning environment
- How to actively engage the learner
- How to provide effective feedback
- How to deliver an effective presentation

Prior to each class, you will receive a brief content video. The in-class time will provide interactive experiences to build skills (e.g. role plays, small group discussions). Participants say that this format is highly engaging and interesting.

100% of past participants said they would recommend this course to others.

“There were helpful tips for people who already have years of experience and those who are newer to the classroom.”

“Great course!”

“It was interesting and contained information to help instructors to put their ‘best foot forward’!”



Upcoming Events

**WHEN: Thursday October 5th and Wednesday Oct. 11th
4 – 6 PM
Room 1507 and 1508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

~ Refreshments Will Be Provided ~

You **must** register by **Sept. 20th**. Please contact Michele Henderson via telephone at 464-1681 or e-mail at hendermi@upstate.edu

**Medical Education Journal Club - Monday October 2, 2017
12-1pm 9299 Wsk – Doust Board Room**

Journal Article: “To Be Determined”

*Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology
and Ann Botash, MD, Professor, Pediatrics*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Please RSVP: hendermi@upstate.edu or 464-1681

**Faculty Development Seminar Series – Tuesday October 25, 2016
12-1PM Room 3113 Wsk**

“Teaching Science Writing Skills

Presenter: Jennifer Moffat, PhD, Associate Professor, Dept. of Microbiology & Immunology

~ Lunch will be provided

Announcing...

**ACADEMY OF UPSTATE EDUCATORS
AUE COACHES: A Teaching
Consultation Service**



Consultation Service

Offering a teaching consultation service to members of Upstate's Teaching Faculty

The mission of the Academy of Upstate Educators (AUE) is to promote innovation and excellence in education at Upstate. The members of the Academy can share their wide range of educational abilities with any member of the faculty who seeks to better his/her educator skills. The Academy is pleased to announce the "AUE Coaches: A Teaching Consultation Service".

Please feel free to request an AUE Coach Consultation if you would like:

- someone to observe your teaching and provide constructive feedback to improve your teaching skills
- guidance on ways to improve your assessment process
- assistance with design of a new curriculum or revamping of an old one
- to share ideas about any education-related issue

The process is simple.

Go to our website, www.upstate.edu/facultydev/academy

Click on "AUE Coaches Service."

Complete the brief form and submit it to Michele Henderson. She will forward it to the appropriate Academy member, who will contact you to proceed.



Kwame Amankwah, MD



Dale Avers, DPT, PhD



Ann Botash, MD



Richard Cantor, MD



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Lauren Germain, PhD



Rebecca Greenblatt, PhD



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Margaret Maimone, PhD
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Jennifer Moffat, PhD



Carol Recker-Hughes, PT, PhD



Thomas Schwartz, MD



Pam Youngs-Maher, EdD

Faculty Development Website Calendar

Faculty Development - Website Calendar

~ For more information on all upcoming events, please visit the Faculty Affairs Website "Events Calendar"

Be Sure to Visit our "Events Calendar" on the Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development Website

To access the calendar, simply go to the home page of "**faculty affairs and faculty development**" <http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/> and then click on the "**Events Calendar**" in **dark blue** (on the left side of our home page).

Once you have accessed the calendar, you will see various events posted that might be of interest to you and/or members of your department. **To obtain more information, simply click on the event.** You will see titles, presenters, times, locations, contact information, etc.

Please Note: these events have been copied to Upstate's main website calendar as well. (Accessed from the top of the Upstate home page.)

Notes & Corrections



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Please Note:

1. In an effort to keep the Faculty Commons manageable, we will be concentrating on external presentations and service.
2. Please remember – we do not include any publications, books, book chapters, etc. that are currently "**in press**". Please wait until you have publication information before you include these submissions

Contact Us

"I represent our Office of Faculty Affairs, and my staff and I are committed to developing the potential of all faculty and see them succeed and thrive". Please feel free to call or email for more information:

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Useful Website Links:

Promotion and Tenure Information

<http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/promotion.php>

Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development

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Faculty Governance

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