UPDATE

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WELCOME

We are pleased to announce that Eitan Podgaetz, M.D., M.P.H. joined the section of Thoracic and Foregut Surgery, Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery, on May 10, 2013, as Assistant Professor of Surgery. After receiving his medical degree from LaSalle University School of Medicine in Mexico City, he completed his general surgery residencies at Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education in Rochester, Minnesota, and at George Washington University Medical Center in Washington, DC. Dr. Podgaetz completed a cardiothoracic surgery residency - thoracic track at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston in 2012.

Dr. Podgaetz’s clinical expertise includes thoracic oncology, esophageal cancer, tracheal surgery, minimally invasive lung and esophageal surgery, robotic surgery, and gene therapy for lung cancer.

We are excited about the addition of Dr. Podgaetz to our practice and hope that you will join us in welcoming him to the Department of Surgery and the University of Minnesota.

REMEMBER

The Annual All-Faculty Photograph will be Tuesday, June 4 immediately following Grand Rounds – 8:45am in PWB 2-470 (across from Outside-In).

All faculty should wear their white coats.

IN THE NEWS

The video article "Anatomical Reconstructions of the Human Cardiac Venous System using Contrast-computed Tomography of Perfusion-fixed Specimens" was recently published in the Journal of Visualized Experiments. Co-authors include Julianne Spencer, Emily Fitch, and Paul Iaizzo.

VOLUNTEER

Dr. Paul Iaizzo, along with lab staff and graduate students, represented the Visible Heart Lab with a display at the American Heart Association Heart Walk May 4, 2013. The walk started from Target Field with over 20,000 participants.

HONORS & AWARDS

Paul Iaizzo, Ph.D. was selected to join the Institute for Engineering in Medicine (IEM) Academy of Medical Device Innovators, an award that honors those who have made innovations in medical devices leading to a great impact on the lives of patients. Dr. Iaizzo received a plaque to honor his induction into the 2013 class of the Academy on Wednesday, April 10th. Additionally, he was awarded the IEM Director's Award for championing IEM's mission.
Dominique Tobbell, Ph.D. was awarded the J. Worth Estes Prize at the annual meeting for the American Association for the History of Medicine for the best published article in the history of pharmacology. Dr. Tobbell received the award for her co-authored article with Daniel P. Carpenter, Harvard University, "Bioequivalence: The Regulatory Career of a Pharmaceutical Concept," Bulletin of the History of Medicine (2011) 85(1): 93-131.

PRESENTATIONS

Paul Iaizzo, Ph.D. presented the keynote lecture "The Visible Heart® Laboratory and the Atlas of Human Cardiac Anatomy" for the Northern Ohio Cardiac Imaging Association at University Hospital, Case Medical Center (Cleveland Ohio) on April 13, 2013.


PUBLICATIONS

Heart Valves: From Design to Clinical Implantation was released in March 2013. This 17-chapter book published by Springer is a practical, state-of-the-art handbook dedicated to: 1) cardiac valve anatomy, 2) models for testing and research methods, 3) clinical trials, and 4) clinical needs and applications. Editors: Paul Iaizzo (Visible Heart Lab), Alex Hill (Medtronic), Richard Bianco (ESS) and James St. Louis (Cardiovascular Surgery).

The Journal of Cardiovascular Translational Research Special Issue on Cardiac Anatomy was published by Springer in April 2013. Paul Iaizzo, Robert Anderson (Newcastle University, UK), and Alex Hill (Medtronic) were guest co-editors of this special issue which features 13 invited articles that focus on attitudinally correct anatomic nomenclature to facilitate cross disciplinary research from bench to bedside.


2013 Resident Research Presentations

Call for Abstracts

The 2013 Department of Surgery Resident Research Presentations are scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2013, immediately following Grand Rounds in PWB 11-157. All surgical residents are encouraged to submit an abstract for consideration. All current research residents are expected to submit an abstract for presentation. The deadline for submission of abstracts is Friday, May 24. Abstracts should be submitted online at http://www.surg.umn.edu/Education/Abstract_Submission/.

If you have any questions, please contact Erin Brudvik via phone at 612-625-9798 or via e-mail at erinb@umn.edu.

4th Annual DOS Research Day

Invited Presentations & Poster Sessions

Monday, June 10

10:00am – 3:00pm Invited Presentations (Moos 2-690)
Keynote: Brian Herman, PhD – Vice President for Research, University of Minnesota
DOS Faculty Presentations & Young Investigator Abstracts
Presentations from 2012 DOS Trainee Grant winners
3:00 – 6:00pm  Poster Session & Reception
This will be held in the 2nd floor of Moos Tower, in the corridor. All poster presenters are expected to be available during this time to answer questions regarding their research. This is an excellent opportunity to hear more about the research being conducted by your colleagues and prizes will be awarded for best poster presentations in various categories at 5:30pm.

All faculty, residents, staff (including post docs, fellows, scientists, etc) and students in the Department of Surgery are invited to submit an abstract. Abstracts recently presented at meetings are encouraged. Please email a copy of your abstract along with the name and contact information of the presenting author to btr@umn.edu to reserve your space. Abstracts should be submitted by Friday, May 24, 2013. Authors will be notified whether their abstract has been accepted for oral or poster presentation before June 3. Please direct any questions to Erin Brudvik at 625-9798 or erinb@umn.edu.

STRATEGIC PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
Dean Aaron Friedman has formally charged a Strategic Plan Steering Committee with developing a strategic plan for the Medical School. This plan is to be developed with input from all faculty members. A series of Town-Hall meetings with departmental faculty throughout the Medical School and Affiliate sites have been scheduled; to ensure broad faculty input into the planning process.

The date for the Department of Surgery Town-Hall meeting is Thursday, May 30th, from 5 – 6 PM, in PWB 11-157. Please make every effort to attend and contribute to this important conversation.

Annual John G. Buls, M.D. Lecture in Colon and Rectal Surgery
Juan Nogueras, M.D.
Associate Chief of Staff
Cleveland Clinic Florida

Tuesday,
June 4, 2013
7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
11-157 PWB

Department of Surgery Hosting Training for RPRR and NIHMS
The RPRR and NIHMS training session on Friday May 10 will be cancelled. I apologize for any inconvenience. The session is rescheduled for Friday May 31, 2013 at 7:15AM in 11-129 PWB.

Beginning in March 2013, NIH has replaced the eSNAP Progress Report with the new RPPR (Research Program Progress Report). Use of the RPPR is mandated for eSNAP eligible awards and Fellowship Awards with budget start dates after Jul 1, 2013. This includes all K awards and R series activity codes with the exception of R35s, R41s and R43s. Non-Fast Track Phase I SIBR and STTR, clinical trials, T, P and U series awards are currently excluded from the use of RPPR progress reports. AHRQ, CDC and FDA plan to implement RPPR in late 2013. DOD, NSF, DHS plan to implement RPPR in January 2014

Use of the NIH Manuscript Submission (NIHMS) system tool “My NCBI/My Bibliography” is mandated to document compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy for all NIH awards. Non-compliant awards will be delayed.
The Department of Surgery will be holding roundtable training sessions on RPPR and NIHMS submission on May 31, 7:15-8:15 am in 11-129 PWB. Lisa Rogers will provide instruction for the new processes.

Additional resources can be found at
http://grants.nih.gov/grants/RPPR/

77th Annual Surgery Course

Update in Gastrointestinal Surgery and Bariatric Education Days

June 5-8, 2013

A 4-day course presenting evidence-based practices for care of the bariatric patient on days one and two and updates in emerging trends in GI surgery "top to bottom"—esophagus to hemorrhoids on days three and four. For more information, see here

Surgical Alumnus of the Year Presentation

Surgical Buy-In

Karen J. Brasel, M.D., M.P.H.
Professor
Department of General Surgery
Division of Trauma/Critical Care
Medical College of Wisconsin

Graduation Day
June 11, 2013
7:30 – 8:30am
PWB 11-157

RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Do you see someone working hard in your area and contributing to the department’s success by fulfilling our mission, vision and values? If so, take a moment to nominate this person for an Employee Recognition Award.

Two Employee Recognition Awards will be given out each month—one for staff and one for faculty, fellows, and residents. All Department of Surgery employees can nominate another employee in the department, including the Surgical Administrative Center.

Completed nomination forms should be sent to Michelle Lunden.

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