UPDATE
The Department of Surgery Update is sent to department faculty, fellows, residents, and staff. To submit an item for publication in Update, send the information to surgupdt@umn.edu.

REMINDER
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.

HONORS & AWARDS
Osama Alsaied, MD was awarded “Best Basic Science Presentation” for the resident paper competition at the Minnesota Surgical Society 2013-Spring Meeting. May 25th

PRESENTATIONS
Osama Alsaied, MD presented “Effect of Combination Treatment with Sorafenib and Triptolide on Hepatocellular Carcinoma Apoptosis In Vitro” at the Minnesota Surgical Society 2013-Spring Meeting - Resident paper competition. May 25th

Osama Alsaied, MD presented “Outcomes of Patients with Renal Impairment after Heartmate-II Left Ventricular Assist Device Implant” at the Minnesota Surgical Society 2013-Spring Meeting - Resident paper competition. May 25th

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.

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.

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**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

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**Department of Surgery Hosting Training for RPPR and NIHMS**

The RPPR 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, 7:15-815 am in 11-129 PWB. Lisa Rogers will provide instruction for the new processes.

Additional resources can be found at  
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

Research resident presentations will immediately follow.

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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