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Updates

Dr. Bryce Nattier (one of the WPAFB surgeons) was the leader and administrator for the only CME program in a Level II facility in Afghanistan. He did this for more than six months at FOB Chazni with a forward surgical team. As his replacement there, Dr. John Bruun is continuing the program. This is something Wright State Department of Surgery can claim — two faculty members over one years' time. The CME is for 20 people, consisting of physicians, technicians, and nurses. They earned 24 hours of AMA category 1 CME hours. We plan on 27 hours with this group. The instructors are speaking on specific areas of trauma.

Dr. Lucile Wrenshall's laboratory is focused on the interactions between Il-2, a cytokine important to normal immune function and the extracellular matrix. Recently the lab has identified an isoform of Il-2 that is cytotoxic to cells expressing the Il-2 receptor. This isoform may therefore be important in treating certain forms of cancer. Blocking the effect of this isoform may diminish reperfusion injury, which will help kidneys from deceased donors function better and more quickly. These exciting findings have been made possible by collaborative efforts between the Wrenshall Laboratory and the Life Connection of Ohio, and with the pharmacology and toxicology department at Wright State University.

MVH Wall of Excellence recognized two of our physicians: **Dr. Minia Hellan** and **Dr. Melissa Roelle**.

"Dr. Hellan recognizes that a cancer diagnosis affects the mind, body, and spirit. She has a passion for providing our cancer patients with access to the clinical care and supportive services that will help them thrive, not just survive. As a physician advisor and champion for the Complementary Medicine Steering Committee, she goes above and beyond to provide the committee and her peers with current research and best practice models."

"Dr. Melissa Roelle consistently goes above and beyond in the way she provides medical, emotional, and informational care of her breast cancer patients and families. She shares new information she has come across or something that is unique to her patients that would help us better take care of them. As medical director, she has helped our High Risk Breast Cancer Center grow into a welcoming, patient-focused, caring place for women to seek answers."

Thank you Dr. Hellan and Dr. Roelle for your excellent patient care!!

Chair's Message

Dr. John Matsuura started as the chief of the Division of Vascular Surgery for the WSU Department of Surgery on April 1, 2013. Dr. Matsuura completed his residency at Wright State in 1998, and has practiced in Atlanta, GA, and most recently in Des Moines, IA. We are thrilled to have him join our faculty. He and I will be meeting with Dr. Jon Velasco to discuss the opportunity of a vascular call schedule. Dr. Matsuura has ambitious plans to develop an outreach program and update the current level of vascular services provided at MVH. We appreciate the support of MVH in his recruitment and look forward to opportunities to work together.

Recruitment

We are recruiting for a third vascular surgeon and a minimally invasive surgeon. Please be sure to send in your evaluations of Dr. Vyas to Kim Paul.

Divisions

Transplant: Due to the financial concerns surrounding the MVH transplant program, kidney transplantation will be terminated in mid-May. Follow-up for these patients is being arranged.

Surgical Oncology: Moved to new MVH South offices

General Surgery: Jamestown ED is now open. New opportunity for patient referrals to Dr. Roelle, who practices in the same Living Waters Building.

Acute Care Surgery: Recruiting for advanced care practitioners.

Research: planning for upcoming research symposium.

Residents

Categorical Residents



Ali Abtahi, D.O.
Lake Erie School
of Osteopathic
Medicine



Anthony Chan, M.D.
University of Toledo
COM



Rachel Choe, M.D.
Eastern Virginia
Medical School



Nathan Droz, M.D.
Creighton University
SOM



*Christopher
Micallef, D.O.
Lake Erie School
of Osteopathic
Medicine



*Jason Miner, M.D.
Oklahoma
University Tulsa



*Jessica
Shoener, M.D.
USUHS



*Emily Sweet, M.D.
Medical College
of Wisconsin

*Air Force

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Save the date

Daniel Elliott Resident Research

Symposium:

April 16-17

Dr. Chris McHenry – Grand Rounds:

April 17, 7 a.m.

"Current Management of Thyroid Cancer."

Resident Research Symposium:

April 17, noon–2 p.m.

6NW 1&2, MVH. Lunch provided at 11:30 a.m.

Graduation Ceremony for Completion of Residency and First Year Postgraduate Medical and Dental Education

May 24

Berry Vascular Surgery Visiting

Professor:

September 3-4

Dr. Julie Freischlag, "Clinical and Personal Comparative Effectiveness."

WSUDOS Vascular Symposium:

September 27

Bieser Auditorium.

Committees

DOS Department Research Committee Meeting

Friday, April 12, 7–8 a.m.

DOS Faculty Meeting

Friday, April 19, 7–8:30 a.m.

(Rescheduled from March 15)

DOS Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, June 17, 5-6 p.m.

All committee meetings are held at MVH, CHE Building, 7th floor, DOS Conference Room

If you have any information you would like to share with the other members of the department, or professional or special events happening in your life, please e-mail Kim at kimberly.paul@wright.edu by the 15th of the month. The Faculty and Staff Update will be e-mailed the first of the month.

Preliminary



James Atkins, M.D.
Wright State
University



*Jacob Berry, M.D.
USUHS



Cole Budinsky, M.D.
Wright State
University



Sara Ferencz, M.D.
American College
of the Caribbean



*Tyler Kallsen, M.D.
University of
Oklahoma COM



*Aaron Morgan, M.D.
University of North
Texas HSC



*John Stacey, M.D.
Midwestern
University



*Jeffrey Vassalli, M.D.
Rosalind Franklin
University, Chicago

*Air Force

Medical Students

The newest class of third-year medical students began their general surgery clerkship rotation on Monday, March 18, 2013, through May 8, 2013. We have a full class of 18 students, and they are assigned as follows:

Miami Valley Hospital: Cathleen Bury, Natasha Mehta, Danielle Fleissig, Andrew McBride, Joel Eidelson, Isabel Kwan, and Teresa Lee

Kettering Medical Center: Melissa Perrino and Douglas Bias

Good Samaritan Hospital: Miriam Lader and Elizabeth Yeager

Ohio Valley Medical Center: Lisa Anacker (class leader) and Mike Perry

Mount Carmel West: Koriann Reed

VMAC/WPAFB: Bryan Jacobs and Mike Anacker

Rotation 4, the preceding class, completed their general surgery clerkship rotation on Wednesday, March 13, 2013.

They all took the National Board Medical Exam (NBME Shelf) on the same day, and we were promptly notified that all the students PASSED the exam. A larger than usual number of students scored in the 90 percentile with an average score being 85%, which is well above the national average.

Similarly, a larger number of students in this class expressed an interest in either general surgery or a surgical specialty.

WSP UPDATES

Welcome **Kristen Trost**, medical assistant in Suite 5253. Kristen comes to us from Dr. James Campbell's practice, where she has almost 10 years of experience as a Certified MA. She will support Drs. Ekeh and Saxe, and starts on April 15. Please stop by the Apple Street practice office and welcome her.

The surgical oncology practice has successfully moved into the Comprehensive Cancer Center at Miami Valley Hospital South. Their new address is 2300 Miami Valley Drive, Suite 350, Centerville, Ohio 45459. Their phone numbers and fax numbers remain the same. The main phone number is 937-424-2469. Please check future *Faculty and Staff Updates* for open house details.

The office manager position was considered, but did not clear HR; therefore we are back to the drawing board. WSP will be offering assistance with accounting in the interim.

Scholarly Activity

Publications

Ekeh AP, Khalaf S, **Ilyas S**, Kauffman S, **Walusimbi M**, **McCarthy**

MC. "Complications arising from splenic artery embolization: A Review of an 11-Year Experience." *Am J Surg*. 2013 Mar; 205(3):250-4. Epub 2013 Jan 31.

Dominguez KM, **Ekeh AP**, **Tchorz KM**, **Woods RJ**, **Walusimbi**

MS, **Saxe JM**, **McCarthy MC**. "Is routine tube thoracostomy necessary after prehospital needle decompression for tension pneumothorax?" *Am J Surg*. 2013 Mar; 205(3):329-32.

Ganz RA, Peters JH, Horgan S, Bemelman WA, Dunst CM, Edmundowicz SA, Lipham JC, Luketich JD, Melvin WS, Oelschlager BK, Schlack-Haerer SC, Smith CD, Smith CC, Dunn D, **Taiganides PA**. "Esophageal sphincter device for gastroesophageal reflux disease." *N Engl J Med*. 2013 Feb 21; 368(8):719-27.

Presentations

Mehmood, M. "Cardiac Power Output in Critically Ill Surgical Patients: A Simultaneous Pulmonary Artery Catheterization and Transthoracic Echocardiography Study." Paper presented at: American College of Cardiology. 62nd Annual Scientific Session and TCT @ACC. 2013 Mar 9-11; San Francisco, CA, USA.

Mehmood M. "Pulmonary Vascular Resistance: A Novel Method of Non-Invasive Estimation and Association with Mortality in Critically Ill Surgical Patients." Paper presented at: American College of Cardiology. 62nd Annual Scientific Session and TCT @ACC. 2013 Mar 9-11; San Francisco, CA, USA.

Abraham M, MS4, **Mostafavi K**, **Rundell W**. "Delayed Management of a Superficial Femoral Artery Aneurysm." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Budinsky C, Frangopoulos C, **Soin A**. "Topical Ultraconcentrated Capsaicin to Treat Post Herpetic Neuralgia." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Chinnappan S, Ortiz T, **Budinsky C**, Choi S, **Soin, A**. "Case Series Using the Observational Mechanical Gateway to Compare Spinal Cord Stimulation Sensations." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

DeVita L, Oziri Uloma, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Neurostimulation as a Modality to Treat Chronic Pain." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Feasel P, Miller K, Hitch D, Ali R, **Tuttle R**, Berberich S. "Molecular analysis of YPEL3 gene mutations and splice variants in human tumors." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Garg R, Swamy L, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Human Cadaveric Study to Plan in Vivo Application of a Spiral Cuff Electrode." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Soin A, Guerengomba F, Kirkland J. "Fluoroscopically Guided MILD to treat Spinal Stenosis – A Case Series of 25 Patients." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Guerengomba F, Kirkland J, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Usage of a Percutaneous Slim 8 Electrode neurostimulation paddle to achieve pain reduction in a patient with failed back surgery syndrome." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Miller J, Vangeloff E, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Cost/Benefit Analysis of Indirect Video Laryngoscopy for Routine Intubations." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Noska R, Tibbits E, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Intrathecal Infusions Via a Patient Therapy Manager to Allow Self-Titration in the Chronic Pain Patient." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Ortiz T, Chinnappan S, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Surgical Placement of a Spiral Cuff Neuroelectrode to Achieve Pain Reduction – case series of 5 patients." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Oziri Uloma; DeVita L, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Three-dimensional Color Discography to Enhance the Diagnostic Utility of Traditional Discography." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Seider S, Sihabdeen S, **Budinski C**, **Soin A**. "Neuroelectrode Placement by Ultrasound Mapping." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Sihabdeen S, Seider S, **Budinski C**, **Soin A**. "ProSeal Utilization to Achieve Airway Access in a Patient with Documented Difficult Airway." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

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Swamy L, Garg R, **Budinsky C**, Kalra A, Castelbuono J, **Soin A**. "Preventing Patient Harm in Pain Management: Avoiding Inadvertent Arterial Puncture in Stellate Ganglion Block." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Tibbits E, Noska R, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Stereotactic Radiation Treatment of Posttraumatic Atypical Facial Pain Using a Gamma Knife." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Vangeloff E, Miller J, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Indirect Video Laryngoscopy to Achieve Airway Access in Documented Difficult Airways." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Yedavalli V, Brockett J, Yun C, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Case Series of Thermal Radiofrequency Ablation of the Sacroiliac Joint Using a Single Probe." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH

Yun C, Brockett J, Yedavalli V, **Budinsky C**, **Soin A**. "Pneumocephalus as a Result of the Usage of Air to Achieve Access in the Epidural Space." Poster session presented at: Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine Fourth Annual Medical Student Research Symposium; 2013 April 5, Gandhi Medical Education Center White Hall, Dayton, OH