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150 YEARS AND GOING STRONG:
THE U-M MEDICAL SCHOOL
CELEBRATES ITS SESQUICENTENNIAL



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Two **MacArthur awards** in biological chemistry honor the creativity of two **great scientific minds** at **Michigan**

In the Limelight

Susan Hershberg Adelman, M.D., Clinical



Associate Professor of Surgery, was elected to the AMA Board of Trustees during its annual meeting this June. She will serve a four-year term. Dr. Adelman was the first woman president of both the Michigan State

Medical Society and Wayne County Medical Society. Within the AMA, she served on the AMA Council on Medical Service, and the Intracouncil Taskforce on Medicaid. Previously, she chaired the AMA Surgical Caucus and served as president of the Organization of State Medical Association Presidents and a member of the Advisory Committee on Women in Medicine, and represented the AMA on the White House Health Professionals Review Group in 1993.

Huda Akil, Ph.D., Co-Director of the Mental Health Research Institute and the Gardner Quarton Professor of Neurosciences in the Department of Psychiatry, has been awarded



the 1998 Edward J. Sachar Award from the Department of Psychiatry at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University. This Visiting Scholar Award is in recognition of Dr. Akil's multiple contributions to the field of psychiatric research and her investment in the research careers of younger colleagues.

Dr. Akil also received a Bristol-Myers Squibb Unrestricted Neuroscience Research Grant recently. This \$500,000 gift will be used to help support work at the MHRI relating to brain biology of stress, pain and neuropsychiatric disorders. The award cited Dr. Akil's record of research in neurobiology, including her early work which provided the first physiological evidence for the presence of endogenous opioids (endorphins) and was instrumental in their discovery. She intends to use the Bristol-Myers Squibb gift to continue work on understanding the brain biology of emotions.

Michael S. Aldrich, M.D., Associate Professor of Neurology and Director, Sleep Disorders Laboratory, received the 1998 William C. Dement Academic Achievement Award from the American Sleep Disorders Association (ASDA). The Dement Award is given annually by the ASDA in recognition of exceptional initiative and progress in the areas of sleep education and academic research.

Philip Andrews, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Chemistry, received a Faculty Recognition Award from the University of Michigan. The Faculty Recognition Award is given to faculty who have demonstrated substantive contributions to the University through significant achievements in research and other scholarly activities, excellence as a teacher, advisor and mentor, and distinguished participation in service activities of the University.

Kate F. Barald, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Anatomy and Cell Biology, received the Instructor of the Year Award from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry Class of 2001. Dr. Barald was chosen in recognition of her outstanding ability as an instructor in the communication of knowledge and stimulation of interest in her area of study. Barald is a developmental biologist who studies genes that control inner ear and neural crest development.

Kirk J. Brower, M.D., Associate Professor of Psychiatry, has been named a Fellow of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM). Dr. Brower was chosen for his sustained achievements in teaching, research and clinical care in the field of addiction medicine and was one of only 21 Fellows chosen by ASAM this year.



Steven R. Buchman, M.D., Assistant Professor of Surgery in the Section of Pediatric Plastic Surgery, received the 1998 Bernd Spiessel Research Award at the 67th Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons (ASPRS), the

Plastic Surgery Educational Foundation (PSEF) and the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons (ASMS) for his project, "Investigation of Local and Global Mechanical Environment on Bone Regeneration in Mandibular Distraction Osteogenesis."

Bruce Carlson, M.D., Ph.D., Professor and Chair of Anatomy and Cell Biology, was recently elected a full member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences, an honorary scientific society that covers many fields of science.

Paul L. Carson, Ph.D., Professor of Radiology, has been named a Fellow of the American College of Radiology. Dr. Carson was recognized for his outstanding contributions to the field of radiology. 139 new Fellowships were awarded by the College for significant research in radiology, service to organized medicine and an outstanding reputation among colleagues and the local community as a result of long-term superior service. Dr. Carson is also last year's recipient of the Joseph H. Holmes Basic Science Pioneer Award of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine for his basic advances in medical ultrasound imaging.

Kenneth R. Chamberlain, M.D. (Bachelor's 1965, M.D. 1969), Instructor of Psychiatry, was awarded the American Psychiatric Association's 9th Annual Nancy C.A. Roeske, M.D., Certificate of Recognition for Excellence in Medical Student Education. The American Psychiatric Association is a medical specialty society recognized world-wide. Its 40,500 U.S. and international physicians specialize in the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional illnesses and substance use disorders.

Janet Gilsdorf, M.D., Professor of Pediatrics, has been appointed to the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) Step 2 Test Material Development Committee for Pediatrics.



Dr. Gilsdorf will also serve as a member of the National Board of Medical Examiners

Council of the American Association for the Advancement of Science

(NBME) Pediatrics Test Committee. The USMLE is a joint program of the NBME and the Federation of State Medical Boards, and provides a common evaluation system for measuring the knowledge and cognitive competence within a clinical context of applicants for medical licensure in the U.S.

John Greden, M.D., Rachel Upjohn Professor of Psychiatry and Neurosciences and Chair of Psychiatry, received the 1998 George M. Thompson Award for Distinguished Service from the Society of Biological Psychiatry. The award honors members of the Society who have given outstanding service to promote the welfare of the organization.

Dr. Greden has also been appointed the inaugural General Editor of scientific publications for the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP). These consist of *Neuropsychopharmacology*, a scientific journal; *Psychopharmacology: Generation of Progress*, a textbook; a CD-ROM version of the "Generation of Progress;" and a Scientific Web Site.



Cyril Grum, M.D. (Fellow 1983), Professor of Internal Medicine, has been appointed as a member of the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME). The members of the NBME constitute the governing body of the National Board with responsibility for establishing policy for the organization. Dr. Grum also serves as Chair of the U.S. Medical Licensing Examination Step 2 Test Material Development Committee for Medicine.

Dr. Grum serves as the Director of Components III and IV (third and fourth year students) for the Medical School, and is the M3 Clerkship Director for Internal Medicine. He has won numerous medical student teaching awards, including Galen's Silver Shovel, the Senior Award, the Kaiser Permanente Award for Clinical Teaching and was inducted, as a faculty member, into Alpha Omega Alpha.

Kun-Liang Guan, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Chemistry, has been awarded the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) Schering-Plough Award. This award recognizes a young investigator who has made outstanding research contributions to biochemistry and molecular biology and is given to a single investigator every other year.

Each year, the Council of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) elects members whose "efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its applications are scientifically or socially distinguished." In the past few years, seven Medical School faculty have been elected for their outstanding contributions:

Bernard W. Agranoff, M.D., Ralph Waldo Gerard Professor of Neurosciences, and Professor of Biological Chemistry and Research Scientist in Psychiatry and the Mental Health Research Institute, was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in 1997 in recognition of his research contributions to the neuroscience field.



Laurence A. Boxer, M.D., Professor of Pediatrics, was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in 1997 in recognition of his research focusing on the pathogenesis and treatment of patients with neutropenia. Dr. Boxer also received the 1998 Founders Award from the Midwest Society for Pediatric Research at their annual meeting in September.

Sid Gilman, M.D., William J. Herdman Professor and Chair of Neurology, was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in 1998 for his contributions to the understanding of the degenerative diseases affecting the nervous system. These diseases include many that affect older adults, including Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, progressive supranuclear palsy, olivopontocerebellar atrophy and multiple system atrophy. His work has clarified the neurochemical disturbances in several of these diseases. He has also made important contributions concerning the effects of chronic alcoholism on brain function.



H. David Humes, M.D., John G. Searle Professor and Chair of Internal Medicine, was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in 1998. Dr. Humes was recognized for his pioneering studies on acute renal failure.



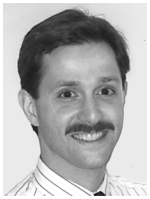
Rowena Matthews, Ph.D., (Ph.D. 1969) G. Robert Greenberg Distinguished University Professor of Biological Chemistry and Chair of the Biophysics Research Division, was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in 1998. Dr. Matthews was selected for her contributions to our understanding of the role of folic acid, particularly as it relates to the level of homocysteine in the blood.

Peter A. Ward, M.D. (M.D. 1960), Godfrey D. Stobbe Professor and Chair of Pathology, was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in 1998. Dr. Ward was honored for his pioneering studies to define determinants of the inflammatory response, especially the roles of complement activation products, chemotactic factors, and cytokines.



Dr. Ward also received a resolution of gratitude from the American Board of Pathology for his many years of faithful and dedicated service to the Board and the field of medicine. Dr. Ward served as a Trustee of the American Board of Pathology, and has also served as Treasurer, President and Past President of the Board.

John A. Williams, M.D., Ph.D., Professor and Chair of Physiology was elected a fellow of the AAAS in 1998 in recognition of his efforts in advancing science and/or for fostering applications deemed scientifically or socially distinguished.



Norman D. Hogikyan, M.D. (Bachelor's 1982, M.D. 1988), Assistant Professor of Otolaryngology and Director of the University of Michigan Vocal Health Center, has been appointed to the Speech, Voice and Swallowing Disorders Committee of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. The Academy is the world's largest society of physicians dedicated to the care of ear, nose and throat disorders.

Dr. Hogikyan, was also recently initiated into the Fellowship of the American College of Surgeons. With 59,000 members, the American College of Surgeons is the largest organization of surgeons in the world. By meeting its stringent membership requirements, fellows of the college earn the right to use the designation F.A.C.S. after their names.

Terence Joiner, M.D., M.H.S.A. (Residency 1985), Clinical Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, received the 11th Annual Award for "Servant Leadership in Building a Beloved and Just Community in the way of Martin Luther King, Jr." from the Church of the Good Shepherd United Church of Christ. Dr. Joiner was chosen for seeking to provide accessible health care for all in a dignified manner, regardless of income.

Richard D. Judge, M.D. (Residency 1956), Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and Clinical Professor of Internal Medicine received the 1997 Laureate Award from the Michigan Chapter of the American College of Physicians. In 2001, as the Medical School is celebrating its Sesquicentennial, Dr. Judge will celebrate his 50th anniversary at the Medical School!

Stevio Julius, M.D., The Executive Committee of the International Society of Hypertension has established a Stevio Julius Award for Education in Hypertension in honor of Dr. Julius' contributions to hypertension education. The award will be given to a person who demonstrates distinction in the education of scientists and specialists in hypertension or in hypertension education of the medical profession at large. Dr. Julius, who has been on the University of Michigan faculty for 35 years, is the Frederick G.L. Huetwell Professor of Hypertension, Professor of Internal Medicine and Physiology, and Chief of the Division of Hypertension.



Josephine Z. Kasa-Vubu, M.D., Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, received a University of Michigan Faculty Award for Research and Creative Projects by the Office of the Associate Vice Provost for Academic and Multicultural Affairs for her project entitled "Leptin, Energy Balance and the Onset of Puberty." The award is specifically designed to assist faculty in establishing and sustaining an active program of research and scholarship which contributes both to their intellectual development and to the multicultural goals of the University.

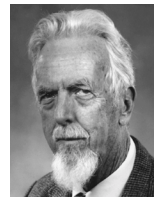


David E. Kuhl, M.D., Professor of Internal Medicine and Radiology and Chief of the Division of Nuclear Medicine, delivered the 1998 Henry Russel Lecture for the University of Michigan on March 10, 1998. The Lecture title was "Circles

of Opportunity: Imaging the Chemistry of the Brain." This annual lectureship is the highest honor the University gives a senior faculty member. Dr. Kuhl was nominated by the U-M Research Club and confirmed by the Regents.

Steven Kunkel, Ph.D., Professor of Pathology and Associate Dean of the Rackham School of Graduate Studies, was named the 1998 Master for the College of Science and Math by his alma mater, North Dakota State University.

Vincent Massey, Ph.D., the J. Lawrence Oncley Distinguished University Professor of Biological Chemistry, has been chosen as the 1999 recipient of the Harden Medal by the Biochemical Society of Great Britain, and will deliver the Jubilee Lecture at the meeting of the Society to be held in September at the University of Cork, Ireland.



Dr. Massey was also chosen as the 1998 Scientist of the Year by the Impression 5 Science Center in Lansing. This tribute is a testimony to Dr. Massey's personal contribution to science, his professional reputation, service to the community and his standing as an outstanding role model for future scientists.



James J. Mulé, Ph.D., Maude T. Lane Professor of Surgery and Director of the Cancer Center Tumor Immunology and Immunotherapy Program, was selected to participate in the 40th Annual American Cancer Society Science Writers Seminar to discuss progress and future efforts in cancer treatments involving vaccines and gene therapy with the news media.

Elizabeth Nabel, M.D., Professor of Internal Medicine and Physiology and Chief of the Division of Cardiology, was presented with the 21st Einthoven Award from the University of Leiden. The Einthoven Award is given to a physician of international renown who has made outstanding contributions to the field of Cardiology. Dr. Nabel was chosen for her outstanding contributions in the field of molecular biology, and in particular in gene transfer.



Dr. Nabel also was recently elected to the Institute of Medicine. Current active members of

NARSAD Grants

Several faculty were recently chosen to receive a Young Investigator National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression (NARSAD) grant. The grants provide important early career support for young scientists and acknowledge the innovative contributions of established, distinguished institutions. The NARSAD grants were given to:

- **Neera Ghaziuddin, M.B.B.S.**, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
- **Mohammad Ghaziuddin, S.S.C., M.B.B.S.**, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
- **Delia M. Vazquez, M.D.**, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and of Pediatrics and Communicable Diseases, Senior Research Fellow, Mental Health Research Institute
- **Jon-Kar Zubieta, M.D., Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Internal Medicine and Assistant Research Scientist, Mental Health Research Institute

Presidents

the Institute elect new members from candidates chosen for their contributions to health, medicine or related fields. With their election, members are committed to engage in a broad range of studies on health policy issues and to participate on volunteer committees.



Gary J. Nabel, M.D., Ph.D., Henry Sewall Professor of Medicine and Professor of Biological Chemistry, has been elected to the Institute of Medicine. Current active members of the Institute elect

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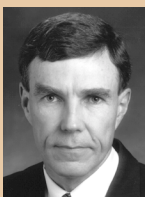
James V. Neel, M.D., Ph.D., Lee R. Dice Distinguished University Professor Emeritus of Human Genetics and Professor Emeritus of Internal Medicine received the 1998 March of Dimes/Colonel Harland Sanders Award. This award is a lifetime achievement award recognizing Dr. Neel's contributions to the field of genetic sciences.



Mark B. Orringer, M.D., John Alexander Distinguished Professor and Head of the Section of Thoracic Surgery was awarded the University of Pittsburgh Medical Alumni Association

Hench Distinguished Alumnus Award, May 15, 1998 at the University of Pittsburgh Medical School.

N. Reed Dunnick, M.D., Fred Jenner Hodges Professor and Chair of Radiology, was named President of the Society of Chairmen of Academic Radiology Departments for 1998-99. The objectives of the Society are the advancement of the art and science of radiology by the promotion of medical education, research, and patient care; the development of methods of undergraduate and graduate teaching in radiology; and the provision of a forum for discussion of problems and mutual interest among radiology department chairpersons.



One of the most important accolades a faculty member can receive is to be elected as the President of a national or international society. The Medical School has a long history of faculty members serving as presidents of prestigious medical and scientific societies and the current faculty are no exception.



Kenneth M. Adams, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology in the Departments of Psychiatry and Psychology, has been elected President-Elect of the International Neuropsychological Society, a multidisciplinary group devoted to research in brain-behavior research. The International Neuropsychological Society has members in 51 countries and was founded in 1967.

William G. Barsan, M.D., Professor of Surgery and Chief of Emergency Medicine, has been elected President of the American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM) for 1998-99. ABEM establishes the examinations to evaluate physicians who seek certification in Emergency Medicine, and has certified more than 15,000 physicians since its first certification examination was administered in 1980.



Oliver Cameron, M.D., Ph.D. (Residency 1978), Professor of Psychiatry, will serve as the President of the American Psychosomatic Society in 1999-2000. The mission of the American Psychosomatic Society is to promote and advance the scientific understanding of the interrelationships among biological, psychological, social and behavioral factors in human health and disease, and the integration of the fields of science that separately examine each, and to foster the application of this understanding in education and improved health care.

Dr. Cameron has also been appointed as a member of the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) Step 1 Test Material Development Committee for Behavioral Science. He will also serve as a member of the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) Behavioral Science Test Committee. The USMLE is a joint program of the NBME and the Federation of State Medical Boards, and provides a common evaluation system for measuring the knowledge and cognitive competence within a clinical context of applicants for medical licensure in the U.S.

Lazar J. Greenfield, M.D., Frederick A. Collier Distinguished University Professor and Chair of the Department of Surgery, was elected President of the American Surgical



Association at its annual meeting on April 3, 1998. Established in 1878, the American Surgical Association is the oldest surgical organization in North America and active membership is limited to 350 surgeons worldwide. Dr. Greenfield will serve as President of the Association from April 15, 1998 through April 16, 1999.

Jeffrey Halter, M.D., Professor of Internal Medicine and Director of the Geriatrics Center, has been named President of the American Geriatrics Society (AGS). The AGS is a professional society of more than 6000 members dedicated to improving the health, well-being and independence of older adults.



Allen S. Lichter, M.D. (M.D. 1972), Interim Dean of the Medical School and Professor of Radiation Oncology, is completing his term as President of the American

Society of Clinical Oncology. The Society, which has 12,000 members, represents physicians who treat cancer patients. The Society is the preeminent voice for clinical cancer physicians on health care policy issues. ASCO is also recognized worldwide as the premier clearinghouse for information on peer-reviewed clinical cancer research. Today, ASCO produces 29 separate publications including *The Journal of Clinical Oncology* and *Classic Papers* and *Current Comments: Highlights of Cancer Research*.



Robert L. Macdonald, M.D., Ph.D., the Russell N. DeJong Professor of Neurology and Professor of Physiology, served as the 52nd president of the American Epilepsy Society

in 1998. The AES is the professional society for physicians and other health professionals who treat or study the biological, clinical and/or psychological aspects of epilepsy. Dr. Macdonald also delivered the 1998 University of Michigan Biomedical Research Council Distinguished Lecture in recognition of his success in detailing the biophysical and neuropharmacological properties of the major inhibitory brain neurotransmitter receptor, the GABA receptor, and for studies of the basic mechanisms of the drug therapy of epilepsy.

Medical Student & House Officer Awards



William H. Alarcon, M.D., House Officer in the Department of Surgery, received a 1998 American College of Surgeons Resident Research Scholarship. This two year award will support his study

of inflammatory mediators of lung injury until July of 2000. The American College of Surgeons is a scientific and educational association of surgeons that was founded in 1913 to improve the quality of care for the surgical patient by setting high standards for surgical education and practice.

Robert A. Cowles, M.D., a House Officer in the Department of Surgery, was awarded a 1998 Resident Research Scholarship by the American College of Surgeons. This two year award will support his study of neuroendocrine control of pancreatic function. The American College of Surgeons is a scientific and educational association of surgeons that was founded in 1913 to improve the quality of care for the surgical patient by setting high standards for surgical education and practice.



Mollie L. Kane, M.D., Co-Chief House Officer of Family Medicine, has been selected to receive the 1998 Mead Johnson Award for Graduate Education in Family Practice. The Mead

Johnson Award is given to residents who have demonstrated leadership abilities, shown a community involvement/social commitment, and demonstrated exemplary patient care/interpersonal skills.

Jonathan S. Wilensky (Bachelor's 1997), a third-year medical student in the Inteflex Program, received the Junior Investigator Award from the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association for his paper entitled "Development of a Unique Rodent Model of Mandibular Distraction Osteogenesis". Mr. Wilensky has been working in the craniofacial research laboratory under the supervision of Steven Buchman, M.D., Assistant Professor of Surgery in the Plastic Surgery Section. The research competition was open to medical students, graduate students and residents. Mr. Wilensky has been invited to co-chair the Junior Investigator Competition of the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association at this year's meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona.

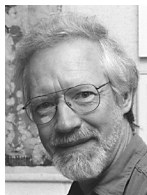
Daniel H. Ringler, D.V.M., Professor and Director of the Unit for Laboratory Animal Medicine, has received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine. The award signifies his outstanding contributions to the advancement of veterinary medicine. Dr. Ringler received his Masters Degree in Pathology from the U of M and completed his Residency Training in Laboratory Animal Medicine in 1969. He joined the faculty in the Medical School as an Instructor in 1970.

W. Leslie Rogers, Ph.D., received the Medical Imaging Scientist Award from the Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) at the national conference in November, 1998. This is the highest honor bestowed by the IEEE for medical imaging. Dr. Rogers was chosen for his "contributions to the fundamental and practical physics and engineering of novel detectors and systems for emission imaging; and for contributions of leadership and mentorship within the medical imaging community."

Marilyn A. Roubidoux, M.D., Associate Professor of Radiology, has been awarded the University of Michigan Harold R. Johnson Diversity Award. This award recognizes Dr. Roubidoux's leadership in the area of cultural diversity.



Martin Sanda, M.D., Assistant Professor of Surgery-Urology Section, has been selected as a fellow of the European Association of Urology Academic Fellowship Program 1998 European Exchange by the American Urology Association. Dr. Sanda was one of three individuals chosen from a competitive selection process throughout the country, and will tour institutions in Europe as part of the fellowship.



Jochen H. Schacht, Ph.D., Professor of Otolaryngology, received an Honorary Professorship in Otolaryngology from the Chinese P.L.A. Postgraduate School of Medicine in Beijing. An Honorary Professorship is the highest honor a Chinese University can bestow.

Thomas Schwenk, M.D., Professor and Chair in the Department of Family Medicine received Honorable Mention for the Best Research Paper from the Society of Teachers in Family Medicine and Ross Laboratories. The award is for Dr. Schwenk's paper entitled "Differences Between Detected and Undetected Patients in Primary Care and Depressed Psychiatric Patients."



Diane Simeone, M.D. (Residency 1995), Assistant Professor of Surgery, has been selected to receive one of the 1998 American College of Surgeons Faculty Research Fellowships. Her research is in the area of pancreatic growth regulation and molecular events important in the development of pancreatic cancer.



Randall S. Sung, M.D., Lecturer in the Department of Surgery, received the Central Surgical Foundation Enrichment Award at the Annual Meeting of the Central Surgical Association in March, 1998. This award will support Dr. Sung's research entitled "Cytokine Inhibition in Adenovirus-Mediated Gene Transfer".

Michele Swanson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, received a 1997 Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers. The awards, presented in a White House ceremony to 60 young scholars each year, were established to recognize research contributions, promise and commitment to broader societal goals. In conjunction with the award, Dr. Swanson received a grant from the National Institutes of Health of \$350,000 over a five-year period to study the bacterial pathogen *Legionella pneumophila*.

Jayne Thorson, Ph.D. (Ph.D. 1986), Assistant Dean for Faculty Affairs, received the Association of American Medical College's 1998 Women in Medicine Leadership Development Award at the annual meeting in November. This award is in recognition of Dr. Thorson's substantial institutional and national contributions to improving the educational and professional environment for women in academic medicine and for enhancing the development of women faculty into positions of greater leadership. Dr. Thorson is a founding member and immediate past-president of the UM Gay and Lesbian Alumni Society.



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D. Kim Turgeon, M.D., Clinical Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine, has been elected a Fellow of the American College of Physicians (ACP), the nation's largest medical specialty society. Its mission is to enhance the quality and effectiveness of health care by fostering excellence and professionalism in the practice of medicine.

John J. Voorhees, M.D. (M.D. 1963, Residency 1964 and 1969), Professor and Chair of Dermatology, received the 1998 Award of the European Society for Dermatological Research.



The Award was given in recognition of his substantial contributions to dermatological research. Dr. Voorhees also served as President of the Society of Investigative Dermatology for 1996-97.

Paul B. Watkins, M.D., Director of the General Clinical Research Center and Professor of Internal Medicine and Pharmacology, received the the American College of Clinical Pharmacy's annual Therapeutic Frontiers Lecture Award at their 1998 meeting in November. This award is given annually to a distinguished investigator whose research has provided novel insight into mechanisms underlying the interaction of drugs. Dr. Watkins also received a MERIT Award from the National Institutes of Health. This award extends the funding on his grant, "The effects of furanocoumarins and drugs on CYP3A4," for up to 10 years without going through the usual periodic peer review, and is given to exceptionally productive researchers.

Daniel Wechsler, M.D., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, has received the 1998 Department of Pediatrics Housestaff Teaching Award in recognition of his accomplishments in teaching residents.

Jon-Kar Zubietta, M.D., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Internal Medicine and Assistant Research Scientist, Mental Health Research Institute, received the Institute for Research on Women and Gender Award for his project entitled "Mu Opioid Receptor Involvement in Alcohol Dependence and Alcohol Craving in Women". [\[M\]](#)

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JUNE

2-4 26th Annual Current Topics in Blood Banking Laurel Manor, Livonia

4-5 Ophthalmology Laurel Manor, Livonia

12 AGA Wrap Up Laurel Manor, Livonia

20-25 35th Annual Northern Michigan Summer Conference Shanty Creek, Bellaire

25-26 Advanced Trauma Life Support - Student Course Towsley Center, Ann Arbor

JULY

9-11 Practical Issues in Rheumatology for the Primary Care Physician Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island

16-18 Endocrinology and Diabetes Update 1999 (includes exhibitors) Grand Traverse at Traverse City

23-25 Psychiatry Grand Traverse at Traverse City

30-31 Internal Medicine Update (includes exhibitors) Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island

Endoscopic Sinus Surgery
Comprehensive Sinus Surgery (includes exhibitors)
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor

AUGUST

8-10 Update in Office Gastroenterology (includes exhibitors) Grand Traverse at Traverse City

20-22 Cardiology Update (includes exhibitors) Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island

SEPTEMBER

17-18 Advanced Trauma Life Support - Student Course Towsley Center, Ann Arbor

OCTOBER

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Course dates may change. For verification or more information, call or write:
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