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In the Limelight



James Baker Jr., M.D., chief of the Division of Allergy in the Department of Internal Medicine, director of the Center for Biologic Nanotechnology and the Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology, has been appointed co-director of the Center for Biomedical Engineering in the School of Engineering.



Nicholas Boulis, M.D., house officer in the Department of Surgery, received the James W. Crudup award at the Moses Gunn 13th annual Research Conference. The award is given to the chief resident who has demonstrated outstanding accomplishments in research during residency training.



Mary Ellen Bozynski, M.D., professor of pediatrics and communicable diseases, was elected to the 2001 Michigan chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha, a medical honor society whose members foster scientific and philosophical aspects of the medical profession.



Lisa Colletti, (M.D. 1985, Residency 1991), associate professor of surgery, received the Outstanding Teacher Award from the Association for Surgical Education, whose primary goal is to promote the art and science of education in surgery.



N. Cary Engleberg, M.D., professor and chief of the Division of Infectious Disease, Department of Internal Medicine, is presently a member of three U.S. medical licensing exam committees responsible for developing the exam: the Step One Committee and two interdisciplinary review committees. The Step One Committee oversees the development and administration of the first step in the examination, and the interdisciplinary committees re-evaluate and/or edit exam items after pre-testing to determine whether they should be used on live examinations.

Joseph Fantone, M.D., professor of pathology, the Godfrey D. Stobbe Professor of Pathology Education and associate dean for medical education, was elected to the 2001 Michigan Chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha.



Frances Farley, M.D. (Residency 1992), assistant professor of surgery, received the St. Giles Society Young Investigator Award at the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society's annual meeting in Cancun, Mexico last May. The award is given annually to support the Foundation's goal of benefiting disabled children.

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John Frohna, M.D., director of the combined Internal Medicine-Pediatrics Program, was named president-elect of the Medicine-Pediatrics Program Directors Association, a four-year position allowing Frohna an important voice in national issues for the

training of residents in medicine-pediatrics programs. He also will lead the organization's educational mission of strengthening medical training and promoting growth and development in the combined specialty.



Sid Gilman, M.D., William J. Herdman Professor and chair of Neurology and director of the Michigan Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, was elected a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. He has also been elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts

and Sciences. The academy elects men and women who have made leading contributions to professional and scholarly disciplines.



Janet Gilsdorf, M.D., professor, Department of Pediatrics and Infectious Diseases, published a story entitled "A Simple Song of Gratitude" in the March 28, 2001, issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. Gilsdorf's story follows her diagnosis, treatments and experi-

ences as a doctor with breast cancer at U-M.



Irwin J. Goldstein, Ph.D., professor emeritus of biological chemistry, has been appointed interim chair of the Department of Biological Chemistry. Goldstein, who joined the U-M faculty in 1965, served as associate dean for research and graduate

studies in the Medical School from 1986 to 1999. He is known for his research on the isolation, characterization, and biomedical application of a class of carbohydrate binding proteins known as lectins and enjoys an international reputation for his contributions to this field.



Maya Hammoud, M.D., lecturer, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, received the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics/Ortho-McNeil Undergraduate Medical Education Research Award for her project "Enhancing the M3 Learning Experience

through Educational Interventions and Feedback from a Comprehensive Web-based Evaluation System."



Samir Hanash, M.D. (Ph.D. 1976), professor, Department of Pediatrics and Communicable Diseases, was named inaugural president of the Human Proteome Organization. The new organization will promote proteomics globally.



Julian Hoff, M.D., professor of surgery and chair of the Department of Neurosurgery, was awarded the Harvey Cushing Medal, the highest honor that the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) can bestow on a member. Given

annually since 1977, the award recognizes an AANS member for his or her distinguished service in the field of neurological surgery.



Paul F. Hollenberg (Ph.D. 1969), Maurice H. SeEVERS Collegiate Professor and Chair of Pharmacology was elected president of the American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics (ASPET) for 2002-03. He will serve as President-elect during 2001-

02. ASPET is a 4,500-member scientific society whose members conduct basic and clinical pharmacological research in academia, industry and the government.



Helen Kales, M.D. (Residency 1998), lecturer in psychiatry, received the 2001 Pfizer/FHA Postdoctoral Fellowship in Outcomes Research in Geriatrics from the U.S. Pharmaceuticals Group of Pfizer, Inc., and the Foundation for Health in Aging, established by

the American Geriatrics Society. This program provides research training opportunities within an academic setting for physicians who wish to pursue original outcomes research in geriatric medicine, and through this research improve the quality of life for older adults. ►



David Kuhl, M.D., professor of radiology, chief of the Division of Nuclear Medicine and director, PET Center, was awarded the Charles P. Kettering Prize by the General Motors Cancer Research Foundation for his major contribution to cancer research.

This honor has been bestowed on a select number of the world's top scientists, seven of whom have gone on to win Nobel prizes. Kuhl was cited for his contributions to the development of positron emission tomography scanning.



Robert Merion, (M.D.) 1979, Residency 1986), associate professor of surgery, Department of General Surgery, was elected to the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) board of directors. Merion also has served on the UNOS Scientific Advisory Committee. In addition, he

is president of the Transplantation Society of Michigan and serves on its board of directors.



James Montie, M.D., Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology, professor of surgery and chair of the Department of Urology, was honored with the Outstanding Poster Award at the Moses Gunn 13th annual Research Conference hosted by the Department of Surgery in May.



Daniel Myers Jr., D.V.M., Vascular Surgery, was honored with the Outstanding Poster Award at the Moses Gunn 13th annual Research Conference.



Gilbert Omenn, M.D., Ph.D., chief executive officer of the U-M Health System and U-M executive vice president for medical affairs, was selected to lead a panel of other national-level experts from academic, non-profit, state government and private

entities as chair of the first meeting of the Institute of Medicine's committee on the evaluation of selected federal health care quality activities in Washington, D.C., in April. Omenn was selected to lead the group based on his expertise in health policy and administration issues. Once completed, the committee's report on its project, "Evaluation of Federal Health Care Quality Improvement and Oversight Programs," will be given to Congress, the federal Department of Health and Human Services, and other federal agencies for recommendations for enhancing the federal government's quality oversight, quality improvement and quality research programs.



Timothy Pawlik, M.D., house officer, Department of Surgery, was honored with the Young Investigator award at the Moses Gunn 13th annual Research Conference. The award is presented to a Department of Surgery fellow, resident, graduate student or medical student

who has demonstrated originality and scientific merit in research.



Mark Pearlman, M.D., associate professor and vice chair, Obstetrics and Gynecology, has been appointed chair of the National Quality Assurance Committee for the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, which studies patient safety

issues, develops strategies to reduce medical errors in the practice of obstetrics and gynecology, works to improve women's health care education and monitors the activities of the Voluntary Review of Quality Care Program. As chair, Pearlman is key to all functions of the Quality Assessment Committee, provides guidance to members and oversees the development and implementation of all issues brought to the committee.



Kenneth Pienta, M.D., professor of internal medicine in the Division of Hematology/Oncology and a professor of surgery in the Section of Urology at the U-M Medical School, serves as a preceptor for the American Foundation of Urologic Disease/

American Urological Association's Research Scholars Program. The program offers funding for those interested in investigative urology.



Ameer Raof, Ph.D., lecturer in Cell and Developmental Biology, is the recipient of the 2001 University of Michigan Medical School Humanism in Medical Education Award. As the award winner, Raof will serve as the Medical School's nominee for the American Association of Medical Colleges' Office of Student Representatives National Award for Humanism in Medical Education.



Barbara Reed, M.D., associate professor of family medicine, received an American Red Cross certificate for personal courage for her life-saving efforts last fall at the annual Ice Dance Weekend at Veteran's Ice Arena in Ann Arbor. Reed, a member of the Ann

Arbor Figure Skaters, helped resuscitate a fellow ice-dancer after he went into cardiac arrest on the ice.



Sanjay Saint, M.D., assistant professor, Internal Medicine, received a Young Investigator Award from the National Association of Inpatient Physicians (NAIP) in recognition of his outstanding achievements as a young researcher in the

discipline of Hospital Medicine. His research has focused on enhancing patient safety by preventing hospital-acquired complications. The NAIP represents physicians whose primary professional focus is the general medical care of hospitalized patients. ➤

James R. Baker Jr. Installed as First Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology

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Front row, left to right: James and Lisa Baker, Junia and Herbert (Ted) Doan; back row: Alexandra Doan, daughter of Herbert and Junia Doan, Margaret (Ranny) Riecker, president of the board of the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation, Donald Rumelhart and his wife, Judy Dow Rumelhart, sister of Margaret Riecker. Margaret Riecker's and Judith Dow Rumelhart's mother, Margaret Dow Towsley, was a sister of Ruth Alden Dow Doan.

On June 11, **James R. Baker Jr., M.D.**, was installed as the first Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology. The Professorship honors Ruth Alden Dow Doan who was the daughter of Herbert Henry Dow, founder of the Dow Chemical Company, and the mother of Herbert D. (Ted) Doan, former president of the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation and of the Dow Chemical Company. The Ruth Dow Doan Professorship in Biologic Nanotechnology recognizes the extraordinary promise of nanotechnology and its applications to medicine and also supports the Directorship Fund for the Center for Biologic Nanotechnology. The professorship was made possible through a gift from Herbert D. Doan, the Herbert and Junia Doan Foundation, and the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation, the fifth largest private family foundation in Michigan.

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Dean Allen Lichter and James Baker Jr.

Baker joined the faculty of the University of Michigan in 1989 as an associate professor in the Department of Internal Medicine's Division of Allergy. In 1991 he was appointed associate professor in the Department of Pathology and became the director of its Histocompatibility Laboratory. Baker was appointed chief of the Division of Allergy in 1993 and became professor of medicine in 1996. Baker's work concentrates on several aspects of the host defense mechanism and immunologic diseases. He has recently been involved in work concerning gene transfer and drug delivery; these studies have produced new vector systems for gene transfer using dendritic polymers and have the potential to revolutionize pharmaceutical therapy. Baker also serves as director of the Center for Biologic Nanotechnology and, this year, was named co-director of the Center for Biomedical Engineering at the Medical School.

Ruth Dow Doan



Howard Markel Installed as First George E. Wantz, M.D. Professor of the History of Medicine

Howard Markel (M.D. 1986), Ph.D., was installed on June 15 as the first George E. Wantz, M.D. Professor of the History of Medicine. Wantz (M.D. 1946), a distinguished surgeon noted particularly for his skills and techniques in hernia repair, was also an author and teacher and, at the time of his death late last year, was a clinical professor of surgery at Weill Medical College of Cornell University and an attending surgeon at New York Weill Cornell Medical Center, where he had worked for more than 50 years. The George E. Wantz Professorship in the History of Medicine was made possible through a gift from George Wantz and his wife, Diana, and recognizes Wantz's lifelong love for the history of medicine.

In 1994, Wantz gave his remarkable collection of antiquarian books to the U-M Taubman Medical Library, and in 1997 he presented to the Historical Center for the Health Sciences his outstanding collection of 70 antique surgical and medical instruments. An exhibition of some of the instruments from the George E. Wantz, M.D. Collection, entitled "Armamentarium Chirurgicum," was inaugurated as part of the celebration of the Medical School's Sesquicentennial in Ann Arbor in June 1999.

Markel, a practicing pediatrician, medical educator and historian of medicine at the U-M Medical School, is also associate professor of pediatrics and communicable diseases and director of the Historical Center for the Health Sciences. Markel is a prolific author of books and articles on medical history and pediatrics and frequently contributes to the "Science Times" section of *The New York Times*, for which he writes the column "Cases." During the 1999-2000 academic year, Markel was an inaugural fellow and scholar at the Center for Scholars and Writers of the New York Public Library, was named a centennial historian of the City of New York for his scholarly study of New York City and the history of public health and immigration, and served as guest co-editor of the February 16, 2000, issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* which honored the University of Michigan Medical School during its sesquicentennial year.

Markel, in his remarks, which followed those of Wantz family members and of Catherine DeAngelis, editor of *JAMA*, noted the debt we all owe to the past: "Each and every one of us is the result of the work, instruction and kindness of others. We are our history, the sum total of our predecessors, and our history is an integral part of our future...One of the tasks of the historian is to remind and instruct those who have not acknowledged this point. I can think of no population more in need of such history lessons than those of us in the medical profession."

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Wantz family members, left to right: Dorothy Elliott, Diana Hoguet, Diana Wantz, David Hoguet, Bruce (Bill) Elliott, Robert Shanahan, Mary Lou Shanahan, Cindy and Andrew Elliott

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Howard Markel and daughter, Bess, with Dean Allen Lichter



George E. Wantz




Jeremiah Turcotte (M.D. 1957, Residency 1963), professor emeritus of surgery, Department of Surgery, was elected President of the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) and will serve on its board of directors. The UNOS board of Directors establishes uniform policies to govern organ procurement, distribution and transplantation for the United States. UNOS is a private nonprofit organization linking all members of the organ procurement, transplantation and histocompatibility communities.




Peter Ward (M.D. 1960, Residency 1963), professor and chair of the Department of Pathology, was honored with the 2001 Golden-Headed Cane Award from the American Society for Investigative Pathology. This award, the society's highest honor, is given in recognition of long-term contributions to pathology, including meritorious research, outstanding teaching and general excellence in the field.

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Shelly Weaverdyck, Ph.D., dementia specialist, University of Michigan Geriatrics Center, has been selected as the 2000 Anthony V. DeVito II Memorial Award recipient. The award is presented annually to recognize outstanding service, dedication and commitment to excellence in the field of geriatrics education in Michigan. 

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Michigan's Continuing Medical Education Calendar

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O C T O B E R

- 11-12** Neonatology 2001: The Odyssey Continues
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor
- 15** Cytokines in Rheumatic Diseases: Potential and Pitfalls
Ritz-Carlton, St. Louis, Missouri
- 17-18** Office Procedures for Primary Care Physicians
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor
- 19** Cytokines in Rheumatic Diseases: Potential and Pitfalls
Hyatt Regency, Cincinnati, Ohio
- 20** Practical Approaches to Managing Depression in Primary Care Practice
Ritz-Carlton Dearborn, Dearborn
- 22-23** Child Abuse and Neglect: Prevention, Assessment and Treatment
Ypsilanti Marriott, Ypsilanti
- 26** Cytokines in Rheumatic Diseases: Potential and Pitfalls
Hyatt Regency, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 27** Current Concepts in the Office Management of Venous Diseases
Novi Hilton, Novi
- 29-30** Treatment of Common Head and Neck Problems for the Non-Otolaryngologist
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor

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- 2-3** Advanced Trauma Life Support (Student Course)
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor
- 2** Cytokines in Rheumatic Diseases: Potential and Pitfalls
Dearborn Inn, Dearborn
- 3** Pathways to More Effective Diagnosis and Treatment of Dementia
Marriott Livonia, Livonia
- 3** Update in Office Cardiology
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor
- 7-9** Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor
- 10** New Insights and Challenges into Cardio-Renal Disease Progression
Anaheim Hilton Hotel, Anaheim, California
- 15-16** 13th Annual Advances in Psychiatry
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor
- 29-30** 10th Annual Primary Health Care of Women
Towsley Center, Ann Arbor

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- 1** American Association of the Study of Liver Diseases 2001 Wrap-Up: Putting it into Practice
Novi Hilton, Novi

Course dates may change. For verification or more information about course locations and content, call or write: Office of Continuing Medical Education, Department of Medical Education, University of Michigan Medical School, Box 1157, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1157.

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