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Above the Fold

Barbaro to lead neurological surgery

Nicholas M. Barbaro, MD, an internationally recognized neurosurgeon and researcher, has been named chair of the Department of Neurological Surgery. Dr. Barbaro also will be the Betsey Barton Professor of Neurological Surgery at IU and the first medical director of the IU Health Neurosciences Center of Excellence. His appointment begins Nov. 1 pending approval by the IU board of trustees.

Dr. Barbaro will join IUSM from the University of California, San Francisco, where he serves as professor in residence of neurological surgery, co-director of the functional neurosurgery program, principal investigator of the epilepsy research program and director of the neurosurgery residency program. He will succeed Paul Nelson, MD, who is retiring as the first chairman of the department.

As medical director of the [IU Health Neurosciences Center](#), Dr. Barbaro will oversee an initiative to combine the neurosciences resources of IUSM and IU Health. The center will include two buildings: an ambulatory care and imaging center now under construction and a research facility expected to begin construction in the first quarter of 2012.

As a physician, Dr. Barbaro performs surgery related to pain, peripheral nerve procedures and epilepsy surgeries on adults, as well as clinical trial research designed to improve surgical procedures in epilepsy. He is the principal investigator of a National Institutes of Health study that is evaluating surgical and radiosurgical treatment of epilepsy.

For more information, visit the [IUSM Newsroom](#).

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Abonour to ride 200 miles for cancer research

An IU Simon Cancer Center physician and researcher will soon lead a pack of bicyclists on a 200-mile journey to raise awareness of multiple myeloma.

Rafat Abonour, MD, associate dean for clinical research and professor of medicine and pathology and laboratory medicine, and a group of cyclists will begin their ride in Jeffersonville on Friday, Oct. 21. “Miles for Myeloma: Tour for Tomorrows” will conclude with a finish-line celebration at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, in front of University Place Conference Center and Hotel.

This is the seventh consecutive year in which Dr. Abonour has participated in this annual cycling tour that raises awareness and research funds for multiple myeloma, an incurable blood cancer. To read more about one of Dr. Abonour’s multiple myeloma patients, see [this story](#) from *Vital Signs*, IUSM's online magazine.

More than 350 myeloma patients and family members are expected to gather to watch the trek end Oct. 22. All are welcome to attend.

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Come visit the IUSM Art Exhibition — Oct. 19

The fourth annual IUSM Art Exhibition “Scientific Inquiry, Artistic Expression” will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, in the VanNuys Medical Science Building atrium.

This year’s event will feature faculty, staff, students and alumni of the IU schools of medicine, nursing, dentistry, and health and rehabilitation sciences; VA, Wishard, and IU Health systems.

In addition to the exhibit at the Medical Science Building, some artists also will be featured in a month-long exhibit at the IUPUI Campus Center Cultural Arts Gallery. That exhibit will be Oct. 31 to Dec. 2. The “Meet the Artist Reception” for the show, which is open to all, will be at the gallery from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1.

For more information, visit medicine.iu.edu/art.

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Faculty News

Student Affairs seeks leadership positions

The executive associate dean for educational affairs has announced two searches for leadership roles in the IUSM Office of Student Affairs. Searches have been initiated for an associate dean and for an assistant dean of student affairs:

Associate Dean: This position will serve as the senior administrative leader for the Office of Student Affairs and should be a faculty member with extensive experience in working with students, in medical education and in administrative leadership roles. The associate dean should be a dynamic leader with the ability to develop and cultivate highly functioning

teams that deliver results and to champion change and continuous improvement initiatives. Above all, the associate dean must have a student-centered approach and the ability to communicate effectively and foster relationships with faculty, staff and other stakeholders thereby ensuring the success of programs created by the office.

For more information, see the [complete job description](#). Interested applicants should contact co-chair of the search committee, Megan Palmer, PhD, at mmpalmer@iupui.edu.

Assistant Dean: This position will work closely with the associate dean for student affairs to manage the development, implementation and evaluation of comprehensive services and programming that support student development and academic success. The assistant dean has day-to-day oversight of the directors and the staff in the divisions responsible for the services provided by the office. The assistant dean should be an empowering manager who brings experience in managing complex projects and in the oversight and management of personnel. Effective candidates will have broad knowledge of student development theory, strong interpersonal and communication skills, and be able to create and support a student-centered approach to all activities in the office.

For more information, see the [complete job description](#). Interested candidates should contact co-chair of the search committee, Krista Hoffmann-Longtin at klongtin@iupui.edu.

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Fall Faculty Meeting — Oct. 31

The IUSM Fall Faculty Meeting will be 4 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium. This semester's event will focus on the future of the relationship between IUPUI and the IU School of Medicine.

Uday Sukhatme, ScD, executive vice chancellor and dean of the faculties at IUPUI, and D. Craig Brater, MD, dean of the IU School of Medicine and vice president for university clinical affairs at IU, will share details on the possible creation of an IU health sciences campus in Indianapolis, as outlined in the [New Academic Directions report](#). This event will be available via live online streaming or via video conferencing.

IUSM faculty members may submit questions in advance that they would like addressed at the meeting. To submit a question for Drs. Sukhatme and Brater, or to request additional information, visit facultysteering.medicine.iu.edu.

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HANDS in Autism to host summit on system change

The HANDS in Autism Program and Resource Center will host a summit focused on implementing systems change from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, in the IUPUI Campus Center.

This event will welcome professionals to discuss the components, benefits and challenges of systems change in Indiana across arenas of health care, public health and education. Participants will include Steve Bogdewic, PhD, executive associate dean for faculty affairs

and professional development and George W. Copeland Professor and associate chair of Family Medicine, IUSM; Daniel Evans, president and CEO of IU Health; Betsy Lee, director for Indiana Patient Safety Center; and Nicole Norvell, director of special education at the Indiana Department of Education.

This event also will focus on the newly evolving concept of “local community cadres in autism.”

For more information or to register, visit www.handsinautism.org/summitinfo.html.

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Komen to host breast cancer conversation

Susan G. Komen for the Cure of Central Indiana will host “Join the Conversation,” an intimate and confidential breast health discussion group, from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 22, and from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the IUPUI Campus Center.

This event is for women who have not had a mammogram in the last two years or who have chosen not to follow up with recommended breast screenings following their initial mammogram. It will be a chance to share opinions and experience and to learn from the experiences of others.

A thank-you gift and snacks will be provided. To RSVP, contact to Wendy Noe at 638-2873 or wendy_noe@komenindy.org.

This conversion will be present in partnership with IU Simon Cancer Center, St. Francis Hospital and the Cancer Support Community. For more information, see the [event flyer](#).

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Seminar to focus on disordered proteins

The Center for Computational Biology and Bioinformatics will present a seminar from 11 a.m. to noon Monday, Oct. 24, in Health Information and Translational Sciences (HITS) Building, room 1110.

Nikolai Skrynnikov, PhD, associate professor of chemistry, Purdue University, will present "Toward a comprehensive NMR/MD model of disordered proteins."

This event will be hosted by Keith Dunker, PhD, director of the CCBB and T.K. Li Professor of Medical Research and biochemistry and molecular biology.

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Medical humanities lecture on 'China's Two Medicines'

Seminars in Medical Humanities and Health Studies will present a seminar from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the IUPUI Campus Center, room 148.

David Luesink, a postdoctoral fellow in the Medical Humanities-Health Studies Program, will present "China's Two Medicines in the 20th Century." The talk will focus on four "moments" of interaction between biomedicine and Chinese medicine as a means of understanding how China developed a dual-medicine system. By looking at particular moments of conflict and

change, Luesink will explore how larger processes of professionalization of medicine (the 1910s and 1929), socialization of medicine (1966-1976), and neoliberal reform of medicine (1990s to present) affected health and medicine among one-fifth of the population of the globe and beyond.

This event is free and open to the public. Lunch will be provided. To RSVP, email Kelly Gascoine at kgascoin@iupui.edu.

For more information, see the [event flier](#).

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Narrative medicine workshops and grand round

Rita Charon, MD, PhD, author of the book *Narrative Medicine* and director of the program in narrative medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Columbia University, will visit IUSM Wednesday, Oct. 26, to present a grand round session and workshop series.

In addition, Dr. Charon will present “Introduction to Narrative Medicine Grand Rounds” from 8:15 to 9:30 a.m. in the Walther Hall (R3) auditorium. A breakfast reception will be served from 7 to 8 a.m., with the presentation immediately following in the Walther Hall (R3) auditorium.

Workshops will take place from 10 a.m. to noon, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Regenstrief Health Center (1050 Wishard Blvd.), room 5103. Participants will read, write and analyze stories related to patient care, participate in facilitated small group reflection and develop key communication skills. The goal of the day-long series of unique but inter-linked workshops is to enable physicians and other medical educators to develop the capacity to identify and interpret their own emotional responses to patients, make sense of their own life journeys and develop the capacities that are needed to fully engage with their patients.

This event is presented the IUSM Office of Research in Medical Education. Space is limited. To register, contact Kathie Mullins at 630-7988 or kmullins@iupui.edu.

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Celebrate National Medical Librarians Month

The IUSM Ruth Lilly Medical Library will celebrate National Medical Librarians Month from Thursday, Oct. 27, to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28.

Stop by the first floor of the library for a talk on premature burial (with treats!) and a chance to ask questions about various library resources, such as how to find guidelines, how to search the medical literature, how to see who’s citing your papers, and more.

Free popcorn will be served. More information will be available next week.

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Staff Council Blood Drive — Oct. 28

The IUPUI Staff Council will host a blood drive Friday, Oct. 28. Participants can donate blood from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the bloodmobile outside of Taylor Hall or in the VanNuys

Medical Science Building atrium, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the IUPUI Campus Center, room 148 (next to Barnes & Noble).

A one-time donation will assist up to three patients at more than 60 hospitals in the state. Walk-ins are welcome; appointments are encouraged. To schedule an appointment, visit www.donorpoint.org, click on “schedule to give at a mobile drive,” enter sponsor code 8576 and choose a preferred location.

Most people are eligible to donate. Bring a picture ID and do not fast before donating.

Questions to Lindsey Berry at lberry@indianablood.org.

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Midwestern Conference on Health Games

IUPUI and the IU School of Informatics will host the Midwestern Conference on Health Games from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, in the IUPUI Informatics and Communications Technology Complex, 535 W. Michigan St.

This conference will focus on trans-disciplinary research and development in the field of interactive “serious” games, including popular gaming consoles, the web and mobile technologies, and their application to healthcare, patient behaviors and education. Participants will include clinicians, healthcare administrators, members of industry, and research scholars in the areas of health informatics, computing and interactive technology and media.

William Ferguson, PhD, editor of the forthcoming journal *Games for Health: Research, Development, and Clinical Applications*, will deliver the keynote presentation. The conference will also feature Alex Prokhorov, MD, PhD, of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and his work using gaming for smoking cessation.

Registration is \$50 for professionals and \$20 for students. To see the complete program lineup, or to register, visit www.midwesthealthgames.org.

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FEED session to discuss patient handoffs

As part of the Faculty Enrichment and Education Development Series, “Handoffs, Sign-Outs, and Changeovers” will take place from 5p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2. The location is to be announced.

With the new ACGME rules limiting resident work hours, handoffs are becoming a critical part of training. Alex Djuricich, MD, associate professor of clinical pediatrics and clinical medicine, and Peter Nalin, MD, associate dean for graduate medical education and associate professor of clinical family medicine, will host this discussion on patient handoffs and how attendees can help their learners share information effectively.

To register, visit faculty.medicine.iu.edu.

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Biostatistics for health care researchers course

The Department of Biostatistics will offer a short course from 1 to 5 p.m. Nov. 8-10 on basic concepts of statistical methods commonly encountered in health care literature. The course will be held in the Health Information and Translational Sciences (HITS) Building, room 1110.

This course will be open to faculty, fellows and residents, as well as other interested students and staff. Enrollment will be limited to the first 30 registrants. At the conclusion of this course, participants should be able to recognize common study designs and statistical methods used in medical research; discuss complex study design and analysis with a statistician; specify basic concepts of data management; identify appropriate use of statistical procedures when given a common study design; and implement simple statistical analyses under the guidance of a statistician.

For more information or to register, see the course brochure at www.biostat.iupui.edu/Teaching/ShortCourse.

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Accent modification course for healthcare professionals

Enrollment is now open for the spring course in "Accent Modification for the International Healthcare Professional." This course meets 10 consecutive Tuesday evenings from Jan. 17 through March 20.

The goal of this course is to improve participants' spoken communication with colleagues, patients and staff through modification, rather than elimination, of their international accents. In addition to the traditional concerns of accurate sounds, the classes focus on fluency (word stress, sentence rhythm and intonation). Enrollment is open to international faculty, post-docs, fellows, residents, medical students and nurses.

For more information, visit faculty.medicine.iu.edu/special/aei.html or contact Poonam Khurana, MD, at 962-2275 or pkhurana@iupui.edu.

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Fiscal officer income processing training

The Office of Financial Affairs is providing training in IUSM income processing from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1, in Fesler Hall, room 211 (Hurty Hall B).

This training is mandatory for IUSM fiscal officers and revenue processors and is not open to other schools at this time. This session will teach participants how to properly deposit and transport funds at IUSM and is being offered in an effort to implement better internal controls and ensure university policy compliance. After participants attend an IUSM Revenue Processing training session they are not required to attend another session; however, they are welcome to attend as a refresher.

To register, visit fdrs.fms.indiana.edu/cgi-bin/training/fis_schedule.pl/ScheduleIUPUI and select "Income Processing for IU School of Medicine employees."

Questions to Andrea Johnson at 274-2346 or ajohnso3@iupui.edu.

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HOST program seeks participants

The HOST (Helping Our Students Travel) program is designed to help medical students save money and create alumni connections during their travel for educationally related programs.

Students participating in the program benefit from free housing and/or meals, mentor relationships and local insight into the medical community from IUSM alumni. This program has been successful due to the generosity of alumni across the country, and has helped save students thousands of dollars in educationally related travel expenses over the past five years.

For more information on HOST, or to register as a student or an alumni host, visit www.alumni.iupui.edu/medicine/host.htm.

Questions to Cora Griffin by email at iusmalum@iupui.edu or 274-8828.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

This week on *Sound Medicine*, an IUPUI earth scientist discusses how coal-fired power plants contaminate regional soils and watersheds. Also, meet a physician with epilepsy who studies his own disease, a father-son doctor duo who weave art into their work, and the author of *Critical Care*, about a mid-life career change from English professor to oncology nurse. *Sound Medicine* airs 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, on WFYI, 90.1FM and on [many other](#) public radio stations nationwide.

Sound Medicine is an award-winning radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio. It is underwritten by IU Health Physicians and IUPUI. Reports on Primary Health Care topics are sponsored by Wishard Health Services.

For more information on this episode, visit the [IUSM Newsroom](#). To listen online, see the *Sound Medicine* [website](#).

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Opportunities

Global Health Education Award nominations — due Oct. 15

IUSM faculty, students, and residents are eligible for the annual Lancet and Valji Awards from Global Health Education Consortium.

These awards recognize excellence in global health activities, including student research and leadership, community service and teaching excellence. Awards of \$1,000 and plaques

recognizing the global health achievement will be presented by *The Lancet* and Drs. Anvar and Pari Velji at the GHEC 2011 Global Health Conference in Montreal Nov. 13-15.

The application deadline is **Saturday, Oct. 15**. For more information, see the [complete application guidelines](#).

Questions to info@globalhealtheducation.org.

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IU Health Value Fund grants — due Oct. 17

Submissions for the IU Health Values Fund for Research and Education grant applications and proposals are due at **noon Monday, Oct. 17**.

All IU employees submitting application must have their proposals into the IU Office of Research Administration five business days before the Oct. 17 deadline. Additional requirements include approval of the application by one's PIs and all cognizant chairs, directors, deans and, if required, vice president, chancellors or provost. The narrative and literature cited must be uploaded to the proposal packet two business days prior to the sponsor's submission deadline.

These new rules were implemented Jan. 1, 2011. For more information on all internal submission guidelines, visit the IU ORA [website](#) or the IU Sponsored and Research programs [website](#).

IU employee with questions about these guidelines should contact the IU Sponsored and Research programs through Terry White at 274-2221 or twhite@iupui.edu or Amy Clifford at 274-0151 or amycliff@iupui.edu.

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LGBT mini-grants available

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Faculty/Staff Council at IUPUI is awarding multiple mini-grants up to \$500 for faculty, staff and students who wish to promote or enhance knowledge, tolerance, sensitivity or develop understanding of LGBT issues or the LGBT community through the development of co-curricular academic programming.

Examples are, but not limited to, attending or hosting LGBT-focused events; purchasing LGBT-related film, media or books; paying LGBT-focused speaker honorariums or fees and supporting LGBT-focused research.

Deadline for Spring 2012 Programs is **11:59 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31**. Award notifications will be by Wednesday, Nov. 30.

For more information or to apply, visit www.iupui.edu/~lgbtfsc/grant.html.

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Grants & Funding

Research Funding Update

The IU Office of the Vice Provost for Research and the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research offers weekly digests containing information about funding opportunities including those that limit the number of allowable pre-proposal or proposal submissions.

Funding updates categorizes include sciences, limited submissions, technology and multidisciplinary:

- [Sciences](#)
- [Limited Submissions](#)
- [Multidisciplinary](#)
- [Technology](#)

To subscribe to these updates by email, visit [this page](#).

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Faculty books

Mark Kelley, PhD, Betty and Earl Herr Professor of Pediatric Oncology Research and professor of pediatrics and biochemistry and molecular biology, is the editor of *DNA Repair in Cancer Therapy: Molecular Targets and Clinical Applications*, a comprehensive reference book focusing on the translational and clinical use of DNA repair as a target area for the development of diagnostic biomarkers and the enhancement of cancer treatment. Dr. Kelley also contributed two chapters to the volume, which was released by Academic Press on Sept. 26. For more information, see [this page](#).

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Around Campus

Produce markets at Methodist and Riley

Fresh produce is now available to IUSM faculty, staff and students twice per month at IU Health Methodist and Riley hospitals through November. These fresh produce markets take place from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at Riley and the first and third Wednesdays of the month at Methodist.

IU Health Markets provide easy access to fresh, mostly local produce to IUSM and IU Health employees. These markets are made possible by IU Health through a partnership with Green Bean Delivery.

Questions to Marcella Cooper at mcooper4@iuhealth.org.

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At Your Fingertips

Continuing Medical Education

The Continuing Medical Education office launched a new and improved website at cme.medicine.iu.edu. In addition to online registration and listings of grand rounds, conferences and courses, the site provides in-depth tools and information for presenters and program developers. Included are forms, tips, links, contacts, maps, and a host of other handy resources to make it easier to participate in CME events, prepare a presentation or plan an event.

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Resources

Want to find a room that has a Polycom hook-up? Need official IUSM templates for your PowerPoint presentation or poster about a guest lecturer? Check out the new “Resources For” page on the IUSM web site. Resources For is accessible from the school’s home page (medicine.iu.edu) – look on the right-hand side of the page.

If you have suggestions of other resources that would be beneficial and could be added to this list, contact the Office of Public and Media Relations at medschl@iupui.edu.

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MedTV

The Office of Public and Media Relations now manages the MedTV screens on the medical school campus. This closed-circuit TV system, part of the IUPUI network, presents a wonderful opportunity for faculty, staff and students to communicate events and information of interest to others. It also serves as a source for broadcasting emergency information on campus.

The MedTVs are located in public areas of the HITS building, the VanNuys Medical Science Building atrium, the Daly Center, Research II, Walther Hall (R3) and the Cancer Research Institute (R4).

Announcements from departments and offices are welcome. To have your department or office announcements posted on MedTV, please read the MedTV guidelines: medicine.iu.edu/medtv. Questions? Phone 274-7722.

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Scientific Calendar online

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at the new [Scientific Calendar](#) website. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Kelli Diener at kas1@iupui.edu.

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Scope submission guidelines

Scope wants your news items.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays. *Scope* is published electronically and sent to faculty, staff, students, and residents on Fridays (except on holiday weekends when it is published on the following Monday).

There are three easy ways to submit story ideas or information to *Scope*:

- e-mail the information to scopemed@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Kevin Fryling, 1110 W. Michigan, LO 401, IUPUI
- fax your information to (317) 278-8722

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format. Word document attachments in lieu of fliers are encouraged.

In the interest of accuracy, please do NOT use:

- acronyms
- abbreviations
- campus building codes (use full, proper name of building and include the room number)
- Dr. as a preface before names (designate MD or PhD)

To keep the electronic version of *Scope* as streamlined as possible, only seminars and lectures of general or multidisciplinary interest will be included.

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