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## TRAVERS ANNOUNCES PLANS TO STEP DOWN AS CHAIR



Dr. Travers and Residents Celebrate  
St. Patrick's Day at Wishard Clinic

After leading the Department for more than eight years, Dr. Travers has announced his plans to abnegate his position as the Kampen-Norins Professor and Chair of Dermatology in the Summer of 2009. Dr. Travers is planning a one-year research sabbatical with Professor Robert Murphy in the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center

Department of Pharmacology. Following his sabbatical, Dr. Travers will return to Indiana University with limited administrative responsibilities to focus on his research and clinical practice.

## KATHERINE LEE & ANU MATHUR MATCH TO IU; DR. KASSAB JOINS RESIDENCY

The Department was thrilled to match Katherine Lee and Anubhav Mathur, and add Dr. Ghada Kassab as a first year resident. Dr. Lee is an Indiana native, and is graduating from Washington University Medical School in St. Louis, MO. Dr. Mathur will be finishing his M.D. - Ph.D. from Indiana University. Dr. Kassab received her M.D. from the University of Baghdad, Iraq, and finished her internship in the Department of Medicine here at Indiana University. Drs. Lee and Mathur will begin their internship in the Department of Internal Medicine in July 2008 to begin their residency in dermatology in July 2009. Dr. Kassab will be starting as a resident July 2008.

Congratulations and Welcome aboard to Drs. Kassab, Lee, and Mathur!

## HACKNEY-NORINS SOCIETY MEETS IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

The Hackney-Norins Society gathered at the recent AAD meeting in San Antonio. Members of the Hackney-Norins Board met and discussed departmental progress. The reception was held right after and was well-attended by friends and colleagues. Dr. Travers gave a short speech to update the group. Highlights include Dr. Travers' planned sabbatical, that the Lewis Professorship funding is on track, and that the Department is profitable. Faculty, residents, and medical students were very busy at the AAD and presented numerous posters and talks.

Thanks to all for coming by!



## KUDOS TO:

Dr. Stephen Wolverton for being elected to the very prestigious American Dermatology Association—by our reckonings, he is presently one of only two members of the ADA in Indiana....and now he has to buy a tuxedo!

Drs. Stephen Wolverton, Dan Spandau, and Jeffrey Travers for organizing the very successful twelfth Cutaneous Biology Course—approximately 220+ residents from all over the country attended this one and a half-day course this past Fall here in Indianapolis...*Basic science is hot!*

Drs. Qiwei Zhang, Yongxue Yao, Raymond Konger and Jeffrey Travers, whose abstract entitled “UVB generated PAF-R agonist formation involves EGF-R-mediated reactive oxygen species” was accepted for oral presentation at the upcoming Society for Investigative Dermatology Meeting in Kyoto, Japan...*one more reason to wear sunscreen!*



Dr. Farmer

Former Chair Dr. Evan Farmer, who has assumed the medical director position at Dermatocor Laboratories, in Glen Allen, VA...*Between this and being the up-coming vice-president of the AAD, Dr. Farmer should stay quite busy.*

Former IU Director of Dermatopathology Dr. Antoinette Hood, who last month returned to give an outstanding lecture on the American Board of Dermatology, a subject she knows quite well as she is the Director...



Dr. Hood

Drs. Nico Mousdicas and Jeffrey Travers, whose chapter on *Gram-positive infections associated with toxin production*” was published in the latest edition of Fitzpatrick’s Dermatology in General Medicine...*sounds like a toxic collaboration!*

## DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHES NEW IUPUI SIGNATURE CENTER FOR ATOPIC DERMATITIS

The Department was awarded an IUPUI Signature Center Award to start a new signature center focusing on atopic dermatitis. The three year grants were established to assist in the development of centers of excellence. The proposal by Drs. Jeffrey Travers, Mark Kaplan and Mark Holbreich was one of ten centers (of the more than 50 applications submitted) chosen for funding. The new IUPUI Signature Center for Atopic Dermatitis consists of both clinicians and researchers with interest and expertise in atopy. There will be three components to this center of excellence. First, an Atopic Dermatitis Working Group consisting of clinicians and scientists will meet every other month to present both research and clinical ideas, and to help develop treatment protocols. The second component will be a monthly multidisciplinary clinic consisting of a dermatologist, allergist, gastroenterologist and dietician to assist colleagues in the management of difficult atopic dermatitis patients. Finally, this grant will allow enhanced infrastructure and small seed grants to assist in translational research. For further information, or to refer a patient with severe atopic dermatitis, please contact Dr. Travers at [jtravers@iupui.edu](mailto:jtravers@iupui.edu) or 317-274-7744.

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# Spotlight



## Christopher A. Goodin

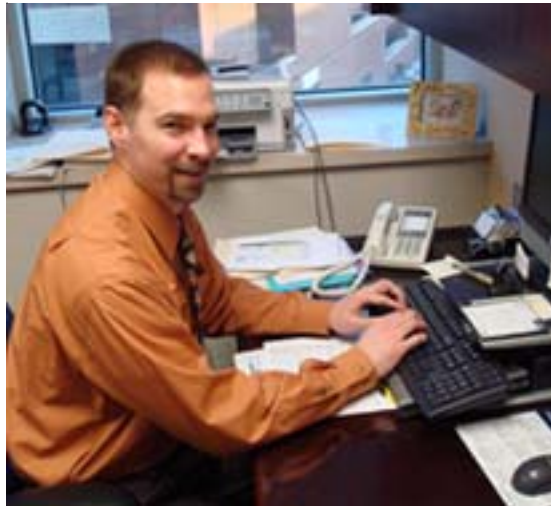
*Written by Dr. Jeffrey Travers*

*Every issue of the Hackney-Norins Newsletter highlights an individual in the Department – this issue highlights our very own Departmental administrator Chris Goodin.*

Christopher Allen Goodin was born and raised in the Indianapolis suburb of Brownsburg, the son of Bob and Dale Goodin. His father was a master production scheduler at the chain manufacturer Rex Nord, and his mother was a mail carrier. Following his graduation from Brownsburg High School, Mr. Goodin went to college at IUPUI, and received his bachelor's degree in finance in 1994. Mr. Goodin spent several summers working in banks and became "interested in other people's money", which led to his decision to pursue finance. Following his graduation, he started working for the IU School of Medicine, managing the Department of Ophthalmology's Wishard Clinic. Mr. Goodin was recruited to the Department of Dermatology and became our departmental administrator July 1, 2005. In the short time he has been administrator, the Department has thrived. His proudest accomplishment has been "making the Department an easier place for the faculty to carry out the missions of patient care, education and research". With his assistance, the Department has prospered on all fronts.

Mr. Goodin's goal is to help make an environment that will allow the Department to not only make an impact locally, but also on a national scale. One

of his favorite sayings is to "practice excellence from beginning to end". One area that Mr. Goodin has been busy has been with our call center, which is the lifeline of the Department. He has instituted important changes and even has a software system tied to his computer that allows him to monitor "real time" the number of phone calls, time to answer, and dropped calls—under his changes, all has improved drastically.



Chris Goodin

When he is not monitoring our call center, managing the staff, or developing our budgets, Mr. Goodin is active in his church and coaching baseball at Bethesda Christian High School. He is married to Layna, and they have three children Lucas (8), Samuel (4) and Sydney (2).

Mr. Goodin has many sources of inspiration, including president Abraham Lincoln. According to Chris

Goodin, Lincoln is his favorite president as he seemed "unrattled", and had a "greater purpose". Inasmuch as Mr. Goodin is 6'4" in height, Mr. Lincoln would indeed be one individual he can "look up to". Needless to say, all members of the Department are gratified to have Mr. Goodin to look up to!

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## GIVING TO THE DEPARTMENT

Just a quick reminder that there is a role for all in the Hackney-Norins Society to provide gifts of either Time, Talent, or Treasure.

If you have interest in getting more involved in your Department of Dermatology, please contact

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## **DR. HAGGSTROM ORGANIZES MULTIDISCIPLINARY VASCULAR CLINIC AND STARTS NEW NIH-FUNDED STUDY**

Dr. Anita Haggstrom (Norins Investigator and Director of Pediatric Dermatology, Assistant Professor of Dermatology and Pediatrics) has been very busy as of late; in addition to being awarded a very competitive research grant from the Sturge-Weber Foundation to study facial port-wine stains, she has also begun a multidisciplinary vascular clinic to assist in the management of pediatric vascular tumors and malformations. Moreover, Dr. Haggstrom is co-Investigator on an NIH-funded grant to study high-dose corticosteroids versus vincristine in the treatment of large infantile hemangiomas.

For more information regarding either of her studies or the vascular clinic, please contact Dr. Haggstrom tel: 317-274-7744; pager: 317-312-1354; e-mail: [ahaggstr@iupui.edu](mailto:ahaggstr@iupui.edu) or pediatric nurse Melissa Beebe tel: 317-278-8667; e-mail: [mbeebe@iupui.edu](mailto:mbeebe@iupui.edu).

## **NEW CUTANEOUS LYMPHOMA STUDY STARTS**

Our own Dr. Lawrence Mark is collaborating with Novartis Pharmaceuticals on testing a new drug code-named LBH-589, also now called Panobinostat, for the treatment of mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome. This agent is a histone deacetylase inhibitor, functionally related to the already marketed drug Vorinostat (Zolinza). This is a difficult effort with many sites of study around the globe needed due to the small numbers of patients with this disease. Additionally, inclusion criteria require that the patient has previously failed at least two other systemic or total skin treatments. If you have patients who may be interested in considering a trial for their disease, please contact the IU Department of Dermatology scheduling office at 317-274-7744 to set up an evaluation with Dr. Mark, or contact him directly pager: 312-2727; e-mail: [lamark@iupui.edu](mailto:lamark@iupui.edu).

## **DISTINGUISHED LECTURERS GRACE DEPARTMENT**

The educational mission is alive and well in the Department thanks to all of the lecturers from around the country and especially our local talent. In the past several months we have received lectures from local talent including Drs. Robert McCallister and Charles Williams. Please consider coming down to the Department and sharing your interesting cases in the form of a kodachrome lecture!



Noted nail specialist Dr. Richard Scher (University of North Carolina Department of Dermatology) and the residents.



Dr. Antoinette Hood and residents



Dr. Robert McCallister and residents.



Dr. Charles Williams and residents.

## SPRING 2007 INDY DERM

Mark your calendar! The date for the Spring Indiana Academy of Dermatology Clinical Meeting will be the first Wednesday of May (May 7th), 2008, and will be held again at the Dermatology Clinic at the Adult Outpatient Center. The conference will begin with patient viewing at 10 A.M., with lunch and the business meeting held at the University Place Conference Center at 12:00. We are thrilled to announce that the 2008 Moores Lecturer will be Dr. Simon Warren, from Miami Florida. An established expert in immunobullous diseases, Dr. Warren will be starting as the new director of dermatopathology here at Indiana University this Spring. Dr. Warren will lecture on Update on Immunobullous Diseases. To schedule a patient for the meeting, please contact chief residents Drs. Mindi Morris (pager: 312-0056; e-mail: mmithche@iupui.edu), Hannah Huddleston (pager: 312-0091; e-mail: hhuddles@iupui.edu) or Carrie Davis (pager: 312-0409; e-mail: cgick@iupui.edu). Looking forward to seeing you then!

## DEPARTMENT OF DERMATOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS

A reminder to all that the IU Department of Dermatology Grand Rounds will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday mornings of each month. The patient viewing will take place from 7:45-8:30 am (note earlier time) in the Adult Outpatient Center Dermatology Clinics (UH 3240), with the patient discussions from 8:30-10:00 am the third floor AOC conference room. Following the patient discussions, a lecture is scheduled from 10:00 - 11:00 am.

Please try to join us—in addition to interesting cases, hot coffee and bagels, good fellowship, each conference is approved for 2 hours of category I CME credit.

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