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KT IS RECOGNIZED FOR LIFETIME OF COMPASSION



KT's Award

was awarded this very prestigious award based upon her efforts with our dermatology patients over the past three decades—for more about KT, please see the spotlight section of the Spring 2006 issue.

Congratulations to Kathleen Townsley, R.N., Nurse Manager of the Wishard Dermatology Outpatient Clinics for being awarded the **2008 Lifetime of Compassion Award** from the Indiana State Board of Nursing.



Dr. Lewis, KT, Dr. Mark

We are very proud of all that you do!

DRS. DAVIS, HUDDLESTON & MORRIS FINISH RESIDENCY



Front: Drs. Huggleston, Davis, Morris
Back: Dr. Travers

Congratulations to Drs. Carrie Davis, Hannah Huddleston, and Mindi Morris for finishing their dermatology residencies! Dr. Davis will be working in Bloomington, Indiana with our colleagues Byrne, McTigue and Reeck. Dr. Huddleston will be working for Dermatology, Inc, here in Indianapolis. Dr. Morris will go "back home" to southern Indiana and will be joining Dr. Mallatt in Vincennes. We wish our newest colleagues all the best and are very pleased all three are staying here in Indiana!

DR. DAVIS CHOSEN FOR FIRST FRANCOUER AWARD



Dr. Davis, Susan, CJ & Chase Francouer

To not only recognize the top dermatology resident, but also to remember our colleague Dr. Cleve Francouer, the Francouer family has generously established the annual Francouer Award for the Outstanding Dermatology Resident. Dr. Carrie Davis was chosen by the faculty to receive this award at the resident graduation dinner on June 29th, 2008.

Congratulations to Dr. Davis as the first of many awardees.

DERMATOLOGY CHANGES

The Department has been going through some changes as of late. First, Dr. Gene Kim, who was a part-time faculty while he did his dermatopathology fellowship at Northwestern University, will be leaving us to take a faculty position at USC in Los Angeles. He will be greatly missed and we wish him all the best. Dr. Lauren Doughty has been recruited from Texas Tech's program and will be joining us in August. Dr. Doughty will be doing general dermatology and has interest and expertise in acne.



Drs. Travers & Mousdicas

Finally, Dr. Nico Mousdicas will be working in the Department part-time doing patch testing at our Springmill office in Carmel and will be working with Shideler and colleagues in Carmel. We are happy that Dr. Mousdicas will continue to be working in the Department, as he is always "available" for an interesting case!

DR. BETH BROGAN DIRECTS MEDICAL STUDENT ROTATION.



Dr. Brogan

Dr. Beth Brogan has begun the task of overseeing the medical student dermatology rotation. Dr. Brogan's goal is to increase the numbers of students who can take the dermatology one month elective. To that end, she is putting out the call for help in expanding the dermatology medical student rotation by hosting IU medical students in your office – even one half-day per week would be valuable and allow you to share your expertise and passion to our young learners. If you have this interest, or questions, feel free to contact Dr. Brogan (bbrogan@iupui.edu) or residency program coordinator Kelli Cassidy at 317-630-6833.

NEW CLINICAL TRIALS FOR LARGE HEMANGIOMAS AND CUTANEOUS LYMPHOMAS UNDERWAY



Dr. Haggstrom

Dr. Haggstrom is currently enrolling patients in a Phase II, randomized, clinical trial assessing efficacy and safety of oral prednisolone vs intravenous vincristine in the treatment of infantile hemangiomas. Inclusion criteria include: age 0-6 months, hemangiomas >50 cm², and complications that clearly necessitate systemic treatment. If you would like to refer a patient for evaluation, please contact Melissa Beebe at 278-8667 to obtain an appointment. For complete details of the trial, refer to <http://clinicaltrials.gov>.



Dr. Mark

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 (lamar@iupui.edu).

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Spotlight

Simon Warren, M.D.

Written by Dr. Jeffrey Travers

Every issue of the Hackney-Norins Newsletter highlights an individual in the Department – this issue highlights Simon Warren, M.D., Associate Professor of Pathology and Dermatology and Director of the Division of Dermatopathology.

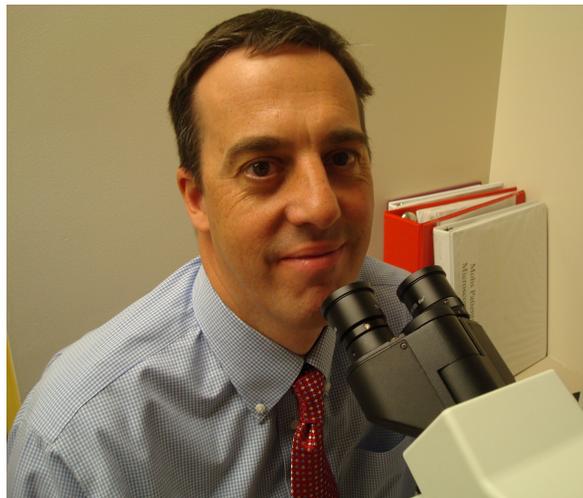
Simon Warren was born and raised in Surrey, England. His father is a retired accountant and his mother is a non-retired homemaker. With his interest in squash (the game, not the vegetable) and classics, he studied at Cambridge and received a degree in classical literature and played on the university squash team. While mired in the classics, he came across the book, *The Selfish Gene*, by Richard Dawkins, that helped change his life by sparking an interest in medicine and science. He enrolled at Guys & St. Thomas' Medical School in London where he received his medical degree. Dr. Simon had always enjoyed pathology in medical school and saw it as a fascinating mixture of science and

clinical medicine. Following his pathology training at Guys & St. Thomas he decided to come to the United States with the goal of being involved in cutting edge pathology and investigation. Dr. Warren did his pathology training at Medical College of Wisconsin then a two year research fellowship with Dr. Luis Diaz in immunobullous diseases at MCW. Following a dermatopathology fellowship with Dr. Clay Cockerell, Dr. Warren joined the faculty at the Dermatology Department of the University of North Carolina, where he combined dermatopathology and research in immunobullous diseases. At UNC he won several teaching awards from the dermatology and pathology residents. Though successful, after four years he then took a try at private practice dermatopathology, working for Global Pathology, in Miami Fl. Dr. Warren relates that it was a great

learning experience working with such dermatopathology luminaries as Drs. Raymond Barnhill and Angelo Poulos (who started Ameripath). But after three years, he found that he missed the academic life—"I realized that the environment of an academic center with the most

challenging cases, educational opportunities, and the camaraderie with clinicians is rather unique".

Dr. Warren was recruited to IU where he started June 1st. He says he is busy but he is really enjoying himself. He has big plans for the dermatopathology service. These include to build up the number of cases and to eventually begin indirect immunodermatology services measuring antibody levels to



Dr. Simon Warren

complement the present direct IF services offered. Dr. Simon plans to be going out to meet the clinicians in the state to introduce himself and the service. Dr. Simon is also interested in more involvement in basic science research and is already assisting Drs. Travers, Spandau and Konger in evaluating murine skin specimens.

When he is not reading pathology Dr. Simon Warren likes to play squash, enjoys sailing, cycling and hiking. He and his Rheumatologist wife Trinh have three children Vincent (9), Lisa (6) and John (5) who also keep them busy.

Please feel free to contact Dr. Simon Warren with any questions, especially challenging dermatopathology cases—he is best reached on his cell phone 954-918-5144 or lab 317-491-6422.

We are all glad to have this very experienced colleague with us!



KUDOS TO:

Dr. Ravi Krishnan, Assistant Professor of Dermatology, who received the Residents' Teacher of the Year Award. Congratulations to Dr. Krishnan – no surprise, here!



Drs. Travers & Krishnan



PhD Advisor Dr. Kaplan, Dr. Anu Mathur, Dr. Praveen Mathur, Dr. Travers

Dr. Anu Mathur, who was awarded the outstanding dermatology medical student award at the medical student awards banquet in May, 2008. Dr.

Mathur matched to our program and is currently busy being an intern in our Department of Medicine.



Dr. Spandau

Congratulations to Dr. Dan Spandau, whose recent NIH R21 grant received a 9.7% score – *He's in the money!*

Dr. Lawrence Mark for receiving a melanoma educational grant from *Outrun the Sun*. Dr. Mark will be setting up a melanoma educational program for IU medical students to help them recognize worrisome pigmented lesions in their future patients – *saving lives, one student at a time!*

Congratulations to Dr. Anita Haggstrom who was first author on a poster presented by Dr. Ilona Frieden at the 2008 International Investigative Dermatology Meeting, Kyoto, Japan: *Large Facial Hemangiomas: What is the Risk of PHACE?* Dr. Haggstrom was also very busy at the recent 2008 International Study of Vascular Anomalies Meeting in Boston, MA. She gave an oral presentation on *Large Facial Hemangiomas: What is the Risk of PHACE?* And a poster presentation, *A Prospective Study of the Incidence of Hepatic Hemangiomatosis in Infants with Multiple Cutaneous Infantile Hemangiomas*. Kudos to our pediatric vascular tumor expert!

Drs. Jeffrey Travers and Raymond Konger who presented an oral presentation at the 2008 International Investigative Dermatology Meeting, Kyoto, Japan: *UVB generated platelet-activating factor agonist formation involves EGF-R-mediated reactive oxygen species*. Drs. Konger and Travers ran into noted IU alumnus Dr. James Taylor from the Cleveland Clinic at Kyoto...*as you can see, these scientific meetings are all work and no play!*



Drs. Konger, Travers, Taylor and Japanese Geisha

SPRING INDY DERM MEETING SUCCESSFUL

Spring Indiana Academy of Dermatology Meeting was held at the I. U. Medical Center on Wednesday May 7, 2007. Again, for the clinical meeting there were a wide variety of patients with interesting diagnoses presented and there was a record crowd in attendance. After the patient viewing, Dr. Simon Warren, the brand new director of dermatopathology here at Indiana University, was



Drs. Warren & Moores

the guest lecturer. Dr. Warren's lecture on "Update on Immuno-bullous Diseases" was superb and enjoyed by all. *Please see the "Spotlight" section of this issue for more about our newest colleague.*

Mark your calendar! The date for the Fall IADClinical Meeting will be the second Friday in October (October 10th), and will be held again at the Dermatology Clinic at the Adult Outpatient Center. The conference will begin with lunch and business meeting to be held at the University Place Conference Center at 12:00. Patient viewing at will begin at 1 P.M. at the Adult Outpatient Center. We are very pleased to announce that the Fall IDS Meeting speaker will be Dr. Michael Heffernan, Director of the Wright State University Program, who will lecture on "Off-label uses of biologicals". 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 1st and 3rd Wednesday mornings of each month. The patient viewing will take place from 7:45-8:30 am in the Adult Outpatient Center Dermatology Clinics (UH 3240), with the patient discussions from 8:30-10:00 am, and lecture to follow. These are held at the third floor AOC conference room. Please try to join us—in addition to interesting cases, good fellowship, bagels and coffee, each conference is approved for 2 hours of category I CME credit.



Drs. Leonard and Morris

Noted St. Louis biologics expert Dr. Craig Leonard made another visit to the Department recently to lecture on new biologics for psoriasis. *He is getting quite a collection of departmental tee-shirts!*

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