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Dear Sheldon Society Members:

After 20+ years with commitment and leadership to the University of Michigan and the Division of Allergy, Jim Baker has thoughtfully moved on to a new position within Merck. He still retains his Emeritus status and will continue teaching Fellows within the Training Program. James Baldwin has assumed the interim chief position and is working with all current faculty members to forge the new direction for the Division.

The Endowment has begun to partially fund one fellowship position. I truly appreciate the dedication and generosity of our alumni to make this possible. Please keep up the great effort!

On that note, several members received John M Sheldon Society fleece zip-down sweatshirts in recognition of their ongoing support to the endowment fund. Special recognition was given to Dr. David Hunter and Dr. Emily Bandera for their generous donations. Dr. Larry and Sylvia Lee entertained the crowd with a rousing rendition of *Hail to the Victors*. We continue to appreciate Dr. Lee's steadfast commitment to the Division and the Fellowship.

2012 AAAAI Annual Dinner

The 2012 John M. Sheldon Society Annual Reception Meeting was held in Orlando, FL, during the annual AAAAI meeting, on Saturday, March 3, 2012 at the Hilton Orlando-Championsgate Room.

The 4th Annual Brainiac Competition was won by Lawrence Hennessey! He received the John M. Sheldon Allergy Society Brainiac Trophy. Congratulations to Dr. Hennessey. The 3rd Brianiac Competition was won by Dr. Razi Rafeeq at the 2011 John M. Sheldon Allergy Society Dinner Meeting in San Francisco, CA.

2013 AAAAI Annual Dinner

The 2013 John M. Sheldon Society Annual Reception Meeting will be held in San Antonio, TX during the annual AAAAI meeting, on Saturday, February 23, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. (location TBA).

Allergy Specialty Clinic & Food Allergy Clinic

The Food Allergy Service (FAS) is progressing into its ninth year with Marc McMorris, M.D., as Director and Nancy Polmear-Swendris, MS, RN as Food Allergy Clinical Program Coordinator. The Eosinophilic Esophagitis Clinic which was started in August 2010 with colleagues in Pediatric Gastroenterology under the direction of Matthew Greenhawt, M.D., M.B.A. has been a success and we are contemplating adding a second clinic to address the increasing demand. Under the direction of Carrie Dichiaro, M.D. a joint clinic focused on interdisciplinary evaluation of asthma, including outcomes research was started in 2012 with colleagues in Pediatric Pulmonary.

We continue to expand our food allergy research activities resulting in numerous publications and presentations at both the ACAAI and AAAAI meetings.

U of M Health System

MiChart is the name for the EPIC Software that was implemented throughout the Ambulatory Care Services of the U of M Health System on August 15, 2012.

Research

We just received news that Dr. Alan Baptist has been awarded a 2 year NIH-AHRQ R21 grant with the project title of "An Interactive Health Communication Program for Young Urban Adults With Asthma". With this grant Dr. Baptist will develop and pilot an internet-based interactive health communication program to deliver asthma education, personalize recommendations and improve communication with health care providers, to be delivered at a time convenient to the participant. Such a program, which is delivered with minimal human support, makes it ideal for urban environments which may not have the resources for health educators. Congratulations to Dr. Baptist!

Faculty and Fellow - Recent Publications

Howe L, Conlon AS, Greenhawt MJ, Sanders GM. Safe Administration of Seasonal Influenza Vaccine to Children With Egg Allergy of all Severities. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol*, 2011 May; 106(5):446-7.

Greenhawt, MT, Li JT (eds). (Practice Parameter) Administering Influenza Vaccine to Egg Allergic Recipients: A Focused Practice Parameter Update. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol* 2011; 106:11-16.

Talreja N, **Baptist AP**. Effect of age on asthma control: Results from the National Asthma Survey. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol*. 2011; 106(1):24-9

Baptist AP, Talreja N, Clark NM. Asthma education for older adults: Results from the National Asthma Survey. *J Asthma*. 2011; 48(2):133-8.

Baptist AP, Thompson M, Grossman KS, Mohammed L, Sy A, **Sanders GM**. Social Media, Text Messaging, and Email-Preferences of Asthma Patients between 12 and 40 Years Old. *J Asthma*. 2011; 48(8):824-30.

Janevic M, **Sanders G**, Thomas L, Williams D, Nelson B, Gilchrist E, Johnson T, Clark N. Study protocol for Women of Color and Asthma Control: A randomized controlled trial of an asthma management intervention for African American women. *BMC Public Health* 2012, 12:76 doi:10.1186/1471-2458-12-76.

Greenhawt MJ, Spergel JM, Rank M, Green T, **Mansoor D**, Sharma H, Bird JA Chang JE, Sinh D, Miles J, Teich E, Kelso J, **Sanders, GM**. Safe Administration of the Seasonal Trivalent Influenza Vaccine to Children with Severe Egg Allergy. Accepted for publication, *Ann Allergy, Asthma Immunol*, September, 2012.

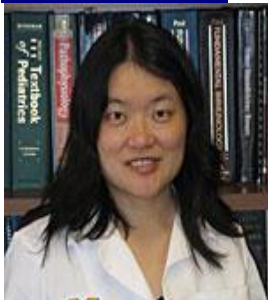
Ross, JA, McCune WJ, **Sanders, GM**. A 50 year old woman with nasal congestion, cough and dyspnea. *Allergy and Asthma Proceedings*. In revision.

TRAINING PROGRAM

Program Director Announcements

James L. Baldwin, M.D., continues as the Program Director for the Fellowship Program and Alan Baptist, M.D., M.P.H., as the Associate Program Director.

2012 New Fellows



Dr. Lin Li



Dr. Aimee Speck

The Training Program's current 1st year fellows are Lin Li and Aimee Speck.

Dr. Li received her medical degree in 2008 from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

and completed her residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in 2011.

Dr. Li's Research is titled, "Type 2 Myeloid Cell and Its Role In Asthma". Her research mentors are Drs. Alan Baptist and Nicholas Lukacs. Dr. Li has submitted a case to present at the 2012 ACAAI Annual Meeting.

Dr. Speck received her medical degree in 2008 from Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University and completed her residency in Pediatrics at the University of Michigan in 2011.

Dr. Speck's Research is titled, "An Interactive Health IT Program for Young Urban Adults With Asthma". Her research mentor is Dr. Alan Baptist. Dr. Speck has submitted a case to present at the 2013 AAAAI Annual Meeting.

Second-year Fellows



Dr. Timothy Franxman



Dr. Laura Howe

Dr. Franxman received his medical degree in 2007 from University of Kentucky College of Medicine and completed his residency in Medicine/Pediatrics at the University of Louisville in 2011.

Dr. Franxman presented at the 2011 ACAAI Annual Meeting and will also be presenting at the 2012 ACAAI Annual Meeting. He also has submitted a case to present at the 2013 AAAAI Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX.

Dr. Franxman's research project is "Predictive Factors of Oral Food Challenges and their Outcomes". His research mentor is Dr. Matthew Greenhawt.

Dr. Laura Howe received her medical degree in 2007 from Michigan State University College of Human Medicine and completed her residency in Medicine/Pediatrics at the University of Michigan in 2011.

Dr. Howe's research project is "Determinants of Parental Perception of Food Allergy Reaction". Her research mentor is Dr. Matthew Greenhawt.

Dr. Howe presented her research at the 2011 ACAAI Annual Meeting and the 2012 AAAAI Annual Meeting. She has also submitted a case to present at the 2013 AAAAI Annual Meeting.

2011 Graduates



Dr. Sara Dever

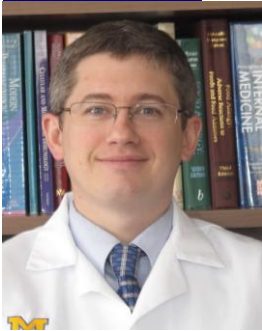


Dr. Nastaran Safdarian

Drs. Sara Dever and Nastaran Safdarian successfully completed their training in June 2011. Dr. Dever is practicing in Danbury, CT and Dr. Safdarian accepted a position with North Texas Allergy & Asthma.

Dr. Dever and Dr. Safdarian presented their research at the AAAAI Annual Meeting held in March, 2011 in San Francisco.

2012 Graduates



Dr. David Robertson



Dr. Jacqueline Ross

Drs. David Robertson and Jacqueline Ross successfully completed their training in June 2012. Dr. Robertson accepted a position with Hampden County Physician Associates, LLC in Massachusetts and Dr. Ross accepted a position with Atlantic Allergy, Asthma & Immunology Associates of New Jersey.

Dr. Robertson presented his research at the 2011 ACAAI Annual Meeting and the 2012 AAAAI Annual Meeting.

Dr. Ross was selected for an Oral Presentation at the 2011 ACAAI Annual Meeting and also presented at the 2012 AAAAI Annual Meeting.

MEMBER NEWS

Richard DeSwarte, M.D. died Monday, July 9, 2012.

If you have updates, information or news from our fellows, please don't hesitate to submit an update to us. We'd love to hear from you!

DUES & CONTRIBUTION RESPONSE FORM

If you haven't submitted your dues for 2013, please visit The John M. Sheldon Allergy Society web site at: <http://www.med.umich.edu/sheldonsociety/about/dues.htm> and return your information form along with your annual dues payment of \$200.

****Dues are optional for retired members.***

ENDOWMENT FUND UPDATE

We continue to make progress towards our goal of building an endowment large enough to fund a fellowship position independent of any hospital or departmental funding. The Endowed Fellowship Fund was established 14 years ago and with the generous contributions of many of our members has grown steadily. We continue to move closer to the day where we can fully fund a fellowship position, but have a long way yet to go and we can only reach this goal through the continued support of our membership. Please keep this giving opportunity in mind as you consider the many worthwhile causes that vie for your attention.

How You Can Help

Gifts - Make a planned gift or a bequest. These gifts are wonderful ways to commit to the promises that lie ahead in the field of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. Your **charitable remainder trust** or **charitable gift annuity** provides income during your lifetime as well as the assurance that your gift will have an impact on the future of medicine. These giving opportunities have been well received because of the high distribution rate, simplicity, and tax benefits.

Endowments - A gift of a permanent endowment is a gift forever, a gift that will generate distributions to benefit the Division in perpetuity. What does this mean? It means that the Allergy Division Endowment Fund, year by year, will be able to help more and more Fellows complete their fellowship.

If you are interested in establishing your own perpetual fund or if you would like to discuss the tax advantages or income possibilities of making a gift now or through your will, you may do so by contacting Lori Hirshman. Lori is available at your convenience to assist you with establishing your fund and also with making year-end stock transfers. For more information, please contact Lori at (734) 763-6080.

For details on these programs and others, please visit the Office of Medical Development and Alumni Relations web site at:

<http://www.med.umich.edu/intmed/about/make.htm>

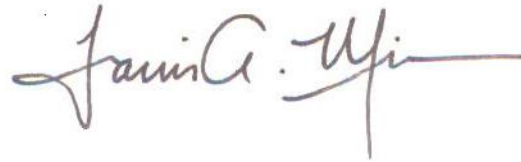
Again, I would like to thank you for your attention to this newsletter and also for your continued support of the Allergy Division.

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questions or need assistance.

BEST WISHES,



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