



THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN JOHN M. SHELDON ALLERGY SOCIETY

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Dear Sheldon Society Members:

Below are the highlights and information regarding the Society, Division, Endowment and our activities.

Dr. James Baldwin continues to do an outstanding job as the Interim Division Chief. He is working with all current and new faculty members to forge the new direction for the Division.

Welcome

...**Mirie Hosler, M.D.** who joined the faculty of the Division of Allergy in October of 2013. Her clinical interests are Allergic rhinitis, Asthma, anaphylaxis, drug allergy, food allergy, insect sting allergy, hives, sinusitis, nasal polyps, and primary immune deficiencies.

...**Laura Howe, M.D.** who joined the faculty of the Division of Allergy in October of 2013 upon graduation from the training program. Her clinical interests are Allergic rhinitis, allergies, anaphylaxis, angioedema, asthma, drug allergies, eczema, eosinophilic esophagitis, food allergies, hay fever, hives, immune deficiencies and nasal allergy.

...**Jenny Montejo, M.D.** who joined the faculty of the Division of Allergy in December of 2013. Her clinical interests are Atopic dermatitis, childhood asthma, allergic rhinitis, anaphylaxis, urticaria and immune deficiencies.

Farewell

...**Carrie Dichiario, M.D.** said good-bye to the University of Michigan in August, 2013 to relocate to Kentucky.

Congratulations

Dr. Marc McMorris (2013) and Dr. James Baldwin (2014) were inducted into the Department of Internal Medicine Clinical Excellence Society named *Academiae Laureati Medici*. The Clinical Excellence Society recognizes in an ongoing fashion those faculty who, by their peers and their division, exude

and demonstrate clinical excellence towards their patients and colleagues. For more information, please visit the Clinical Excellence Society Website: <http://www.med.umich.edu/intmed/ces/>

Allergy Specialty Clinic & Food Allergy Clinic

The Food Allergy Service (FAS) is progressing into its eleventh 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. continues to be a success. Elizabeth Hudson, MPH, RD, CNSC joined our clinic in January, 2014 to assist our patients with nutritional needs. The Food Allergy Center initiative was highlighted in the Internal Medicine 2013 Annual Report. We continue to expand our food allergy research activities resulting in numerous publications and presentations at both the ACAAI and AAAAI meetings.

Endowment

The Endowment continues to partially fund one fellowship position. We truly appreciate the dedication and generosity of our alumni to make this possible. However, in order to fully fund a fellowship position, we need your help to reach the goal of a \$1.8 million endowment base in order to fully fund a fellowship position. More information on how you can help can be found on page 3.

2015 AAAAI Annual Dinner

The 76th John M. Sheldon Society Annual Dinner Meeting will be held in Houston, TX during the annual AAAAI meeting, on Saturday, **February 21, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.** at McCormick and Schmick's.

2014 AAAAI Annual Dinner

The 75th John M. Sheldon Society Annual Reception Meeting was held in San Diego, CA during the annual AAAAI meeting, on Saturday, March 1, 2014 at the Harbor House Restaurant.

Bernard Gold, M.D.

Dr. Ben Gold, Past President of the John M. Sheldon Allergy Society and Allergist in Ann Arbor passed away December 26, 2012. Dr. Gold completed the training program in 1984.

The Bernard Gold Memorial Outstanding Clinical Educator Award was established through the University of Michigan John M. Sheldon Allergy Society, in memory and honor of Bernard (Ben) Gold, MD who volunteered his time and expertise in the training of numerous Allergy Fellows at the University of Michigan. Ben was an extraordinary clinician educator and was routinely recognized by the Allergy Fellows for his dedication to and success in advancing their clinical and procedural skills. In 2009 he was awarded the AAAAI's prestigious Outstanding Volunteer Faculty award.

In keeping with the spirit of outstanding clinician educators, this memorial award was established to recognize annually the NON-FACULTY member who contributed most to the University of Michigan Allergy Fellows clinical educational development. "Non-Faculty" is defined as being primarily in private practice without university remuneration for participation in the fellowship program. The selection committee consists of the four Allergy Fellows. The award will be presented at the annual John M. Sheldon Society gathering at the AAAAI and is limited to one recipient per year. Multiple recipients will be accepted under extenuating circumstances at the discretion of the selection committee.

Mrs. Pat Gold and family members were in attendance for the announcement of the award. The 6th Annual Brainiac Competition was won by Dr. Fred Lewis!

The members enjoyed the nautical themed event!



2013 AAAAI Annual Dinner

The 74th John M. Sheldon Society Annual Reception Meeting was held in San Antonio, TX during the annual AAAAI meeting, on Saturday, February 23, 2013 at Biga on the Banks.

Charlotte Cunningham-Rundles, MD, PhD presented "Understanding the Complexities of Primary Immunodeficiencies".

The 5th Annual Brainiac Competition was won by Dr. James Baker!

The members enjoyed the Fiesta Style themed event!



Left to right: James Wells, M.D., Ana Saavedra-Delgado, M.D., James Baldwin, M.D., Claude LaRose, M.D. and David Hunter, M.D.

University of Michigan Faculty and Fellow 2014 AAAAI Presentations

Aimee Speck, MD (2nd year fellow), Dr. Belinda Nelson, PhD, Mrs. S. Olivia Jefferson, MSW and Dr. Alan P. Baptist, MD, MPH

Young, African American Adults With Asthma: What Matters To Them? Oral Abstract

Matthew J. Greenhawt, MD, MBA, MSc
Differences In Food Allergy Quality Of Life Between Caregivers In a Clinic-Based and a Caregiver-Reported Food Allergic Population -Oral Abstract

Lin Li (2nd year fellow), Schaller MA, Baptist AP, Lukacs NW
Abstract Title: IL17RB+ Granulocytes In Asthma Patients

Georgiana Sanders, MD, MS
Clinical, Social, and Cultural Factors in Asthma Management by Women and Potential Outcomes from Gender Focused Interventions

Alan Baptist, MD, MPH
Special Challenges in Treatment and Self-
Management for Older Women with Asthma

James R. Baker, Jr., MD, FAAAAI
Nanotechnology Meets Allergy: The Yin and Yang of
Nanoscale Toxicity and Therapy

Alan Baptist, MD, MPH
Asthma and the Older Adult

Karam Marilyn (1st year fellow), Samuels K, Holland
C, Greenhawt M:
Abstract Title: Adherence to labeling guidelines of
Inhalant Allergen Immunotherapy Practice
Parameter 2011 at the University of Michigan Health
Service.

Todd David Green, MD FAAAAI, Matthew J.
Greenhawt, MD, MBA, MSc, Tammy S. Jacobs, MD,
MA, Fallon Schultz, MSW, LCSW, CAM
Abstract Title: Clinical Features, Diagnosis,
Management and Natural History Of Food Protein-
Induced Enterocolitis Syndrome In a National Cohort

James R. Baker, Jr., MD
Nanotechnology Applications in Immunology and
Allergy

Alan Baptist, MD, MPH
Asthma Management Among Minority Populations:
Practical Insights for Clinicians, Researchers and
Public Health Planners

RESEARCH

Dr. Alan Baptist was awarded a 4 year NIH-DHHS-
US-13-PAF00523 R01 grant with the project title of
"A Self-Regulation Intervention for Older Adults with
Asthma". Congratulations to Dr. Baptist!

Faculty and Fellow - Recent Publications

Speck AL, Nelson B, Jefferson SO, Baptist AP:
Young, African American Adults with Asthma: What
Matters to Them? Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol
112(1): 35-9, 2014.

Baptist AP, Leyton A: Allergic Disorders. Rudolph's
Self-Assessment and Board Review, Cabana M,
Haftel HM, Kaiser K, O'Brien JS McGraw-Hill, 2014.

Speck A, Kiffen P, Greenhawt MJ: A 31-year old
pregnant woman with angioedema Allergy Asthma
Proceedings: 2014. (In Press)

Howe L, Franxman T, Teich E, Greenhawt MJ: What
affects quality of life among caregivers of food-

allergic children? Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol
113(1): 69-74.e2, 2014. PM24950845

Franxman T, Howe L, Teich E, Greenhawt M.: Oral
food challenge improves food allergy quality of life. J
Allergy Clin Immunol Practice 2014.

Franxman TJ, Baldwin JL: Chapter 35:
Pharmacologic Food Reactions. Food Allergy, Wiley-
Blackwell, Oxford, UK, 2014. 5th Ed

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Colorings and Flavors. Food Allergy – Adverse
Reactions to Food and Food Additives, Metcalfe DD,
Sampson HA, Simon RA Blackwell Publishing, 2014.
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Karam MR, Franxman T, McMorris MS and Baldwin
JL: Olive Oil Sensitivity and Desensitization: A Non-
IgE Mediated Mechanism. Journal of Allergy and
Therapy: 2014. (Submitted)

Greenhawt MJ: Stopping peanut allergy: the saga of
food oral immunotherapy. Lancet 383(9925): 1272-4,
2014. PM24485710

Greenhawt MJ and Aceves SS: Non-IgE Medicated
Food Allergy: Eosinophilic Esophagitis Update on the
Pathogenesis, Clinical Features, and Management of
Eosinophilic Esophagitis in Children Curr Pediatr
Rep 2(2): 127-134, 2014.

Holland CL, Samuels KM, Baldwin JL, Greenhawt
MJ: Systemic reactions to inhalant immunotherapy
using 1:1 target dosing. Ann Allergy Asthma
Immunol 112(5): 453-8, 2014. PM24631183

Rassbach W, Rubenstein J, Elkins M, Dematos V,
Greenson J, Greenhawt MJ: Age-based disparities in
the care of eosinophilic esophagitis J Allergy Clin
Immunol Pract: 2014. (In Press)

Karam M, Samuels K, Ortiz C, Holland C, Greenhawt
MJ: Adherence to Immunotherapy Labeling
Guidelines at a University Health Service J Allergy
Clin Immunol: In Practice: 2014. (In Press)

Greenhawt MJ and Vickery BP: Provider attitudes
towards the practice of oral immunotherapy to food
allergy J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract: 2014. (In Press)

Greenhawt MJ: Food Allergy Quality of Life
(CME/Maintenance of Certification series) Ann
Allergy Asthma Immunol: 2014. (In Press)

Greenhawt MJ: Influenza vaccination in individuals
with asthma J Allergy Clinical Immunol 133: 1233-34,
2014.

TRAINING PROGRAM

Program Director Announcements

On July 1, 2014, Alan Baptist, MD, MPH was appointed Program Director for the Fellowship Program and Laura Howe, M.D. Associate Program Director.

Thank you Dr. Baldwin for your commitment over the past 15 years to the fellowship program (Associate Program Director from 1999 – 2007 and Program Director from 2007 – 2014).

2014 First-year Fellows



Dr. Christopher Couch



Dr. Pooja Oza

The Training Program's current 1st year fellows are Christopher Couch and Pooja Oza.

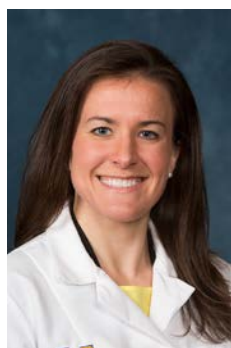
Dr. Couch received his medical degree in 2011 from the University of Arizona College of Medicine and completed his residency in Pediatrics at the University of Nevada School of Medicine in 2014.

Dr. Oza received her medical degree in 2011 from Rush Medical College of Rush University and completed her residency in Pediatrics at the Children's Hospital at University of Illinois in 2014.

2014 Second-year Fellows



Dr. Marilyn Karam



Dr. Claire Ward

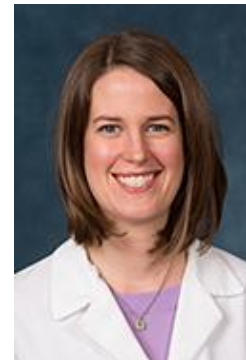
Dr. Karam received her medical degree in 2009 from American University of Beirut and completed her residency in Internal Medicine at the Henry Ford Hospital in 2013.

Dr. Claire Ward received her medical degree in 2010 from Loyola University of Chicago, Stritch School of Medicine and completed her residency in Pediatrics at the University of Michigan in 2013.

2013 Graduates



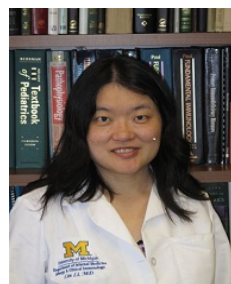
Dr. Timothy Franxman



Dr. Laura Howe

Drs. Timothy Franxman and Laura Howe successfully completed their training in June 2013. Dr. Franxman is practicing at Family Allergy & Asthma in Florence, KY and Dr. Howe accepted a faculty position with University of Michigan, Division of Allergy and Immunology upon graduation from the training program.

2014 Graduates



Dr. Lin Li



Dr. Aimee Speck

Drs. Lin Li and Aimee Speck successfully completed their training in June 2014. Dr. Li is in private practice in New Jersey and Dr. Speck accepted a position at the University of Michigan Health Service Clinic.

MEMBER NEWS

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 2015, please visit The John M. Sheldon Allergy Society website 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 fully fund a fellowship position independent of any hospital or departmental support. The Endowed Fellowship Fund was established 16 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 view for your attention.

Gifts – You can help make a difference in the Division of Allergy and Clinical Immunology by making a cash gift, a pledge, a planned gift or a bequest. Planned gifts, like a charitable remainder trust or a charitable gift annuity, provide 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.

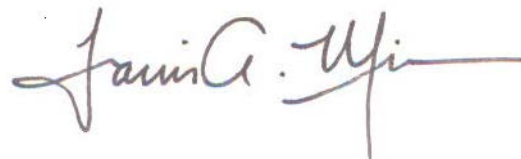
Endowed Gifts – An endowed gift is a gift that will forever support the division. An endowed fund lives in perpetuity at the University and every year the fund distributes generated interest to support the division. These funds will help fellows complete their fellowship program year after year.

If you are interested in making a gift, establishing your own endowed fund or if you would like to discuss different ways of supporting the division, please contact our development partner Andrea LaFave. Andrea is available at your convenience to assist you with making a gift and discussing your interest in supporting the division. For more information, please contact Andrea at (734) 763-6173 or at ajlafave@umich.edu. For details on these programs and others, please visit the Office of Medical Development and Alumni Relation's website at: <http://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. Please do not hesitate to contact me: (916) 736-6644 work or (916) 770-7080 mobile or tmiller@sacent.com

Or you may contact Echo Reed in the Allergy Division if you have any questions or need assistance at (734) 232-2154 or echoreed@umich.edu.

BEST WISHES,

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "James A. Uff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.



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