



# JOHNS HOPKINS

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE  
Message from the Chair  
Faculty Appointments and Promotions  
Major Awarded Grants & Honors  
FEBRUARY 2006

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**Promotion to Associate Professor of Medicine:**

David R. Thiemann, M.D., March 1, 2006, Cardiology

**Appointment as Assistant Professor of Medicine:**

Rachel Chong, M.D., Ph.D., July 1, 2006, Endocrinology and Metabolism

**Appointment as Instructor in Medicine, part time:**

Michael S. Irwig, M.D., February 1, 2006, Endocrinology and Metabolism

Hylton Victor Joffe, M.D. February 1, 2006, Endocrinology and Metabolism

**Appointment as Research Associate in Medicine:**

Miguel A. Ascon-Cabrera, Ph.D., January 30, 2006, Nephrology

Gueno G. Nedeltchev, D.V.M., January 15, 2006, Infectious Diseases

**Appointment as Visiting Scientist in Medicine:**

Chang Gyo Park, M.D., Ph.D., May 8, 2006, Allergy and Clinical Immunology

Effective dates noted above. New academic appointments are approved as indicated; new clinical appointments may still be pending. 2.28.06

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**Eric Bass**, Division of General Internal Medicine, is the Editor-in-Chief of a new journal, "Progress in Community Health Partnerships: Research, Education, and Action." This national peer-reviewed journal, launched by the Johns Hopkins Urban Health Institute, will address topics in the growing field of community-based participatory research (CBPR) while promoting collaboration and elevating the visibility of CBPR in order to eliminate health disparities and improve health outcomes. The journal is funded by a \$879,881 grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation.

The Maryland Chapter of the ACP announced the winners of the 2006 Chapter awards.

**Joan Bathon**, Division of Rheumatology, received the Mary Betty Stevens Award. Dr. Bathon trained under Dr. Mary Betty Stevens as part of her clinical training and exemplifies the principles and spirit of her former teacher. Dr. David Cooper, Division of Endocrinology, received the Samuel Asper Award and demonstrates the highest standards of professionalism, personal integrity, and scholarship.

**Bruce Bochner**, Director of the Division of Allergy and Clinical Immunology was elected to the Board of Directors for the American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology. The AAAAI is the largest professional medical specialty organization in the United States, representing allergists, clinical immunologists, allied health professionals, and others with a special interest in treating and researching diseases such as allergic rhinitis, asthma, atopic dermatitis/eczema, and anaphylaxis.

**Sherita Golden**, Division of Endocrinology, was awarded the Trudy Bush Fellowship for Cardiovascular Research in Women's Health, to be presented during the 46th Annual Conference on Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology and Prevention, scheduled for next month. This award is named for Dr Trudy Bush to honor her outstanding leadership in the field of women's health and contributions to cardiovascular science.

**Annabelle Rodriguez**, Division of Endocrinology, has been invited to join the Cardiovascular System Study Section at the NIH. Since members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievement, Dr. Rodriguez' selection to the Study Committee indicates how highly she is regarded.

**D. William Schlott**, Division of General Internal Medicine was selected for MASTERSHIP in the American College of Physicians. This distinction represents a competitive award with the College bestowing only 40-50 Masterships in any given year.

The Association of American Physicians has elected two of our department faculty: **Bruce Bochner**, Division of Allergy and Clinical Immunology and **Gary Wand**, Division of Endocrinology. They will be officially inducted as full members at the Association's Business Meeting in late April. The AAP is a professional organization founded in 1885 by seven physicians, including Dr. William Osler, for "the advancement of scientific and practical medicine."

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Principal Investigator: **Lili Barouch**, Division of Cardiology  
Awarded: The WW Smith Grant in Heart Research  
Project Title: Heart Disease in Obesity: Leptin and Beta-3 in the Heart  
Project Period: \$308,000/Three years

Principal Investigator: **Lisa A. Cooper**, Division of General Internal Medicine  
Awarded: MIDCAREER INVESTIGATOR PATIENT-ORIENTED AWARD (K24) from NIH, NHLBI.  
Project Period: 03/01/2006 - 02/28/2011

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