



JOHNS HOPKINS

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**DOM Message from the Chair
Faculty Appointments and Promotions
Major Awarded Grants & Honors
APRIL 2008**

APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

Promotion to Associate Professor of Medicine:

Derek Michael Fine, M.D., May 1, 2008, Nephrology

Appointment as Assistant Professor of Medicine:

Kerry Brandt Dunbar, M.D., July 1, 2008, Gastroenterology and Hepatology

Catherine Passaretti, M.D., June 1, 2008, Infectious Diseases

Appointment as Assistant Professor of Medicine, part time:

Tracy Jennifer Wanner, M.D., April 1, 2008, General Internal Medicine

Promotion to Assistant Professor of Medicine:

Peisong Gao, M.D., Ph.D., July 1, 2008, Allergy and Clinical Immunology

Appointment as Instructor in Medicine:

Michael Melia, M.D., July 15, 2008, Infectious Diseases

Vikesh K. Singh, M.D., July 1, 2008, Gastroenterology and Hepatology

Patrick Ryan Sosnay, M.D., July 1, 2008, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine

Appointment as Research Associate in Medicine:

Wenju Lu, M.D., July 1, 2008, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine

Asifa K. Zaidi, Ph.D., September 1, 2008, Allergy and Clinical Immunology

Appointment as Visiting Scientist:

Minglei Zhu, M.D., March 26, 2008, Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology

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

AWARDS AND HONORS

Redonda G. Miller, Division of General Internal Medicine, has been named as one of three of Maryland's Top 100 Women by the Daily Record business paper. According to the Daily Record, it has recognized more than 750 "high-achieving Maryland women who are making an impact ... through professional accomplishment, community leadership and mentoring," since 1996. Dr. Miller serves as assistant dean for student affairs. In this capacity, she provides mentorship and guidance to medical students regarding curriculum issues and career choice. She also serves as vice-chair for clinical operations for the Department of Medicine, a role in which she is responsible for the oversight of the clinical operations of a large, diverse faculty, including various safety and regulatory initiatives.

NEW GRANTS

Gail Daumit, Division of General Internal Medicine, has received a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) to fund a five-year randomized clinical trial to test a weight loss intervention with nutrition counseling and exercise classes in overweight and obese persons with severe mental illnesses attending several psychiatric rehabilitation programs across Maryland. The grant is 3.8 million dollars in direct costs and the Award title is "Randomized Trial of Achieving Healthy Lifestyles in Psych Rehabilitation."

Cynthia L. Sears, Division of Infectious Diseases, has received a new RO1 Grant from NIH. Grant Title: Mechanisms of Interleukin-17 Inflammation Induced by *Bacteroides fragilis*, May 2008 to February 2013

CORRECTION

Last month's Appointments & Promotions Announcement (March 2008) included four ACS's under Appointment as Instructor in Medicine. Dr. Ryan James Tedford is one of the new ACS's, not Ryan James Tidmore.