

Chicago Dermatological Society NEWSLETTER

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The President's Message

This is the second year that the Chicago Dermatological Society is publishing a newsletter. I want to thank Dr. Mark Gendleman, Past-President of the Society, who continues to edit the newsletter. Collecting, editing, and disseminating all of the information to the membership is an enormous task and we appreciate all of the work that Dr. Gendleman has put into this effort. I look forward to hearing from you regarding the programs that the Society presents. I also welcome any comments or suggestions from members. Please feel free to call or write me at my home or office.

Academic Year

October 17 & 18, 1992 — 12th Biennial Meeting

October 17 — Four Seasons Hotel

October 18 — University of Illinois

Neil Fenske, M.D. - Irwin Freedberg, M.D.

Charles McDonald, M.D. - Ralph Coskey, M.D.

November 18, 1992 — University of Chicago

Alan Lorincz Lecture

Raul Fleischmajer, M.D.

January 20, 1993 — Embassy Suites, Chicago

Seminars-in-Depth

Denise Buntin, M.D. - Virginia Fiedler, M.D.

Amy Paller, M.D. - Mark R. Pittelkow, M.D.

March 10, 1993—Cook County Hospital

Samuel Zakon Lecture

Thomas T. Provost, M.D.

April 21, 1993 — Northwestern University

Samuel Bluefarb Lecture

Douglas R. Lowy, M.D.

May 19, 1993 — Rush-Presbyterian St. Luke's

Max and Vera Pinski Lecture

Nicholas J. Lowe, M.D.

Summer Luncheon

During the summer, the officers of the Chicago Dermatological Society hosted a luncheon in Greektown at the Pegasus Restaurant. Resident physicians from all of the Chicago programs were invited, and the luncheon was well attended. The purposes of the gathering were: 1) to review the format for scientific meetings to be held during the year, 2) to provide a forum where the residents of the Chicago area training programs could meet informally and cultivate friendships among themselves as peers, and 3) to introduce the officers of the Society to the communication system. We will infuse this generation of dermatologists with a sense of commitment to their professional organization. Plans are in the works for the continuation of this networking.

12th Biennial Meeting

The Chicago Dermatological Society hosted its 12th Biennial Meeting on Saturday, October 17th and Sunday, October 18th, 1992. The Saturday portion was held at the Four Seasons Hotel. Four lectures were presented:

"Current Therapy in Dermatology"
by Ralph J. Coskey, M.D.

"Cutaneous Reactions to Cytotoxic Agents"
by Charles J. McDonald, M.D.

"Cutaneous Markers of Internal Malignancy:
The Paraneoplastic Dermatoses"
by Neil A. Fenske, M.D.

"Keratin: A Journey of Three Decades"
by Irwin M. Freedberg, M.D.

The content of the material was extremely varied, and the substance of the lectures was relevant, well organized, and effectively delivered.

A highlight of the proceedings was the awarding of the Gold Medal from the Society to Dr. Frederic Malkinson. Dr. Malkinson is the second recipient of this award — given to that dermatologist who has excelled as a practitioner, teacher and researcher. Dr. Malkinson is the recent past chairman of the Department of Dermatology, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's.

After the didactic portion of the program, the Society hosted a cocktail reception in honor of Dr. Malkinson. The food, ambiance, and fellowship were of a high standard; this respite was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

On Sunday, the meeting shifted to the University of Illinois. Approximately two dozen interesting and informative cases were presented by the Dermatology Department. It was refreshing to have the lecturers from the previous day participate freely in the discussion in most of the case presentations.

This was a very successful meeting. We are indeed fortunate to have such a resource so readily at our disposal, and this resource functions so admirably because of the people who donate their time and energy on its behalf. The Society would like to thank the many benefactors whose contributions supported this worthwhile function.

Summer Seminar

The Chicago Dermatological Society and the Illinois Dermatological Society held a combined seminar on June 17, 1992. The subject was new Medicare fee schedules and coding changes. Eighty-four members attended the seminar held in beautiful facilities at the Illinois State Medical Society at 20 North Michigan Avenue in Chicago.

The main speaker was Gary M. Knaus. Mr. Knaus is a nationally recognized expert in the field of coding and reimbursement. He has taught over five hundred workshops nationwide for medical groups including the American Academy of Dermatology. The seminar covered changes in the Medicare fee schedule, coding errors made by dermatologists with suggested solutions, and methods on how to deal effectively with third-party payers.

Charles C. Henderson, M.D., Medical Director of Medicare and Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois, followed Mr. Knaus with additional information and suggestions.

Gold Medal Award

Dr. Frederick Malkinson was presented with the Gold Medal award by Dr. Raymond Handler, President of the Chicago Dermatological Society, at the Society's 12th biennial meeting in October. This is only the second time this award has been given for "outstanding service and academic excellence" by the Chicago Dermatological Society. The entire medical meeting and reception were in honor of Dr. Malkinson.

Dr. Malkinson grew up in Connecticut and left for Harvard after high school where he received his undergraduate degree as well as dental and medical degrees. After internship in Boston at Beth Israel he was attracted, as many of the bright lights of his generation were, to the University of Chicago and Dr. Steven Rothman. His residency was interrupted by several years of active duty in the Navy in Tokyo and Oakland. He is a retired reserve captain in the Navy. He began his academic career at the University of Chicago. In 1968 he moved crosstown to Rush University and was named chairman of the section and then the Department of Dermatology. He was appointed the first Clark W. Finnerud Professor of Dermatology in 1981.

As to academic excellence, he has been editor with Dr. Roger Pearson of the Yearbook of Dermatology, 1971-78; Chief Editor of The Archives of Dermatology 1979-83; Board of Editors of JAMA, 1979-83; Editorial Consultant to WorldBook Encyclopedia and many others.

Dr. Malkinson has authored over 111 papers and book chapters and 29 abstracts. He continues to be actively engaged in research, mostly in the areas of ionizing radiation, cell kinetics and prostaglandins.

As to service, Dr. Malkinson has served on numerous committees of the American Academy of Dermatology including Nominations, Long-range Planning, Audio-visual Education and the Board of Directors. In 1989 he served as Vice-President of the Academy. He has been active in the Dermatology Foundation for years and served on many committees culminating as President of the Foundation for 1983-85. Dr. Malkinson was President of the Salzberger Institute, Vice-President of the Society for Investigational Dermatology and has been elected to honorary membership in the Dermatologic Societies of France, Spain and Poland.

Lastly, Dr. Malkinson has served the Chicago Dermatological Society as Secretary-Treasurer and then President in 1964-65. He has been a faithful member of the Plans and Policy Committee for many years and numerous other committees; most recently he set up a format and procedures for awarding our research and education grants.

At the meeting, Dr. Ertle, President of the Illinois Dermatological Society, remarked "We have all benefited and basked in the glow of a truly remarkable career in American Dermatology." Dr. Roger Pearson, a longtime associate, recounted many personal memories of Dr. Malkinson's wit and capacity as a teacher and scientist.

Finally, Dr. Steve Webster read a letter from Wilma Bergfeld, President of the AAD, congratulating Dr. Malkinson for this award as well as his many years of service to the Academy.

New Chairman at Northwestern

David T. Woodley, M.D., became professor and chairman of Northwestern University Medical School's Department of Dermatology on July 1st, 1992. He succeeded Henry H. Roenigk, Jr., M.D., who remains as professor of dermatology. Doctor Woodley is a prolific and award-winning investigator who most recently spent three years as professor and associate chairman of dermatology at Stanford University.

In announcing Dr. Woodley's appointment, Dean Harry N. Beaty, M.D., credited him with having established a strong research program in immunodermatology and praised his "ability to conceptualize and organize creative clinical care and educational programs."

A Missouri native and an alumnus of the University of Missouri School of Medicine, Dr. Woodley is board-certified in both dermatology and internal medicine. He held appointments at the National Institutes of Health, University of North Carolina, and New York's Cornell Medical Center before working at Stanford. He is a member of many professional organizations ranging from the American Society for Clinical Investigation (elected 1988) to the Association of Physician Poets. Dr. Woodley's numerous awards include a Research Career Development Award and the University of Missouri School of Medicine Alumni Association's Outstanding Young Physicians Award.

A reviewer for 10 professional journals, Dr. Woodley during the past 13 years has authored or coauthored 19 book chapters and more than 200 papers and abstracts of his own. His chief research interests at present are blistering disorders and wound healing.

The work in wound healing includes clinical studies of several dressings, assays of keratinocyte motility, and connective tissue molecules and soluble growth factors. Two research fellows accompanied Dr. Woodley from Stanford to Northwestern: Toshi Iwasaki, PH.D., D.V.M., and John Chen, M.D. Dr. Woodley's research with blistering disorders identified and cloned the human gene for Type VII anchoring fibril collagen. This work was done in collaboration with John Uitto, M.D. at Jefferson University Medical School. Jean-Christophe Lapiere, M.D., a molecular biologist from Jefferson, has joined Dr. Woodley in Chicago to work on Type VII collagen.

Dr. Woodley and wife Christine Prentice-Woodley have three sons: Thatcher, Thomas, and Peter. Thatcher is in the seventh grade at The Latin School in Chicago. He plays on the school soccer and basketball teams. Thomas is five years old and attends the Mary Meyers School in Lincoln Park. He hopes to become a baker when he grows up. Peter is three years old, stays at home, likes donuts and hopes to work in the donut department of Thomas' bakery when he grows up.

Phototherapy Update

The Society would like to add the following centers to the list published in the last issue:

Arlington Heights

Dr. Giulio A. Leone
Dr. Richard Giacobetti
Dr. Laura Tenner
708-394-2060
UVA & UVB

Springfield

Dr. Adam Kumar
217-787-2511
UVA & UVB
Dr. Larry Newell
Dr. Elizabeth Small
217-525-1860
UVA & UVB

RESIDENTS' CORNER

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Northwestern University

Patricia Ledwig, M.D., is in private practice in Hoffman Estates.
Anita Pakula, M.D., is in private practice in southern California.
Eric Torp, M.D., is in private practice in Durham, North Carolina.
Steven Garrett, M.D., finished a fellowship in Mohs Surgery and now in private practice in Hoffman Estates.

Cook County Hospital

Michael Henner, M.D., recently married and relocated to St. Louis, Missouri, where he is a Dermatopathology Fellow at Washington University.
Abraham Abittan, M.D., is in private practice in New York.
Joseph Masessa, M.D., is in private practice in New Jersey.

University of Illinois

Susan Gass, M.D., is practicing with Kaiser-Permanente in Portland, Oregon.
David Eilers, M.D., is practicing at Loyola University Medical Center and Hines Veterans Hospital.
Matthew Kelleher, M.D., is in private practice in Joliet, Illinois with Morton D. Barnett, M.D.

Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center

Jeanne Marie K. Valicenti, M.D., is now in private practice at the Sheboygan Clinic in Kohler, Wisconsin.
Robert V. Kolbusz, M.D., has undertaken a one-year fellowship in dermatologic surgery in the department of dermatology at Baylor University. Dr. Kolbusz is Board certified in pathology and dermatopathology.

University of Chicago

Cynthia Dolan, M.D., is now in private practice in suburban Atlanta.
Tehming Liang, M.D., is associate professor of medicine at Wright State University.
Joshua Wieder, M.D., is an associate of Nicholas Lowe, M.D., in Santa Monica, California.

NEW RESIDENTS

Northwestern University

James Herrmann, M.D., is a graduate of Wabash College and Northwestern University Medical School. He completed his Internship in Internal Medicine at Northwestern McGaw Medical Center.
Leonard Bernstein, M.D., is a graduate of Northwestern University and Northwestern University Medical School. He completed his Internship in Internal Medicine at Northwestern McGaw Medical Center.
Natalie Roholt, M.D., has a bachelor's degree from the University of Northern Colorado and a master's degree in microbiology at University of Iowa. She attended the University of Minnesota

Medical School and was an intern at Hennepin County Medical Center.

Cook County Hospital

Sheryl Hoyer, M.D., Chicago, is a graduate of the University of Chicago. She completed her internship in internal medicine at Northwestern University.
Edward Milano, M.D., New York, graduated from Cornell Medical College and completed his internal medicine internship at Winthrop University Hospital and two years of training in diagnostic radiology at New York Hospital.
Gabrielle Sabini, M.D., New York, a graduate of Stony Brook Medical School, completed her internship in internal medicine at Yale University.

University of Illinois

Renuka Bhatt, M.D., has a bachelor's degree in pharmacy and a master's degree in pharmaceutical chemistry. She attended the University of Illinois Medical College and was an intern in internal medicine at Michael Reese Hospital. She then worked as a research fellow in the dermatology department for two years before beginning her residency.
Jeanne Hoag, M.D., attended the University of Illinois for both her undergraduate and medical degree. She completed residency in pediatrics at the University of Chicago, where she was also chief resident and a pediatric oncology fellow. She was in private practice in pediatrics in Chicago before beginning her residency.
Karen Maloney, M.D., received a bachelor's degree from Illinois Benedictine College and a medical degree from Loyola-Stritch. She completed a combined Medicine-Pediatrics residency at the University of Illinois. She practiced in Southern Illinois prior to beginning her residency.
John Zic, M.D., attended the University of Notre Dame and completed his medical degree at Vanderbilt University. He was an intern in internal medicine at the University of Chicago.

Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center

Theresa (Teri) Magne, M.D., is a graduate of the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford. She completed her internship at Loyola University.
Mark D. Hoffman, M.D., is a graduate of the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago. He completed his internship at Northwestern University.

University of Chicago

David Pezen, M.D., received a medical degree from Georger Washington School of Medicine. His internship was at UCLA Medical Center.
Derek Woolner, M.D., received a medical degree from the University of Calgary, where he also took his intership and residency.
Joseph Clayman, M.D., is a dermatopathology fellow who did his residency at the University of Chicago. He was in practice four years with Kaiser permanente in Denver, Colorado.

Members on the Move

Kathleen Remlinger has left the University of Illinois to take a position at Cook County Hospital beginning August 1st. She is a Senior Physician in the Division of Dermatology of the Department of Medicine.

Former CDS president *John Weiss*, who left the ice and snow of Chicago for the fog of San Francisco in February, has made another career change. Old habits die hard and, after several months with the Kaiser-Permanente Medical Group, John has gone back to a suburban private practice. He now is located in Castro Valley, California (510-881-7822) a short commute across the Bay Bridge from home. When not winging to dermatology meetings in Chicago, Scottsdale and LA, John and his wife sit and contemplate the Golden Gate Bridge from their highrise window.

John L. Ratz left the staff at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's for the Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana.

1992 CDS Research Grant: Study of the Cellular Immune Response in Pemphigus

Many aspects of the pathogenesis of pemphigus are unknown. In particular, the events triggering autoantibody production are not yet understood. We are studying the role of the cellular immune system in the pathogenesis of pemphigus. We are investigating suppressor T cell function, since impairment of this function might facilitate autoantibody production. The surface phenotype of peripheral blood mononuclear cells is being determined by direct immunofluorescent staining. Mononuclear cells are being cultured with proliferation stimulating agents and their production of cytokines measured.

Study of T lymphocytes and the cytokines they produce may be of use in the development of therapeutic strategies, particularly anti-cytokine treatments.

We would greatly appreciate your help in recruiting patients for this study. We are interested in patients with pemphigus vulgaris or foliaceus who are not currently taking systemic immunosuppressive agents. This includes newly diagnosed patients prior to commencement of therapy and patients who are in remission. Patients are asked to make a single visit free of charge to the University of Chicago, where a blood sample and a skin biopsy are obtained. Following this visit, they are returned to your care.

You may contact us at the following numbers:

Hema A. Sundaram, M.D. (312) 702-6800 Pager #3332

Keyoumars Soltani, M.D. (312) 702-6559

Call for EBA Patients

We will be happy to see any patient with epidermolysis bullosa acquisita (EBA) and confirm the diagnosis by special tests performed in the Laboratories for Investigative Dermatology at Northwestern. These tests include salt split direct immunofluorescence on the patient's skin, indirect immunofluorescence on salt-split skin substrate, immunoelectron microscopy, Western immunoblotting and immunoprecipitation of EBA antigen from radiolabeled keratinocyte cultures. We will charge the patient "what insurance pays" for the clinic visit so that there will be no "out of pocket" expenses to the patients. If the patient proves to have EBA, all special immunological testing will be performed gratis. We will be beginning a number of clinical trials for EBA patients and hope to enroll as many EBA patients from the Middle West as possible. We are also interested in seeing patients with hereditary forms of EB and using immunomapping and electron microscopy to establish the diagnosis. Please contact Ms. Marie Martinez at 908-1989 or David Woodley at 908-8413.

Chicago Dermatological Society Chairpersons 1992-93

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Darryl Bronson, M.D.

Director, Midwest Clinical Conference

David Shanker, M.D.

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James Ertle, M.D.

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