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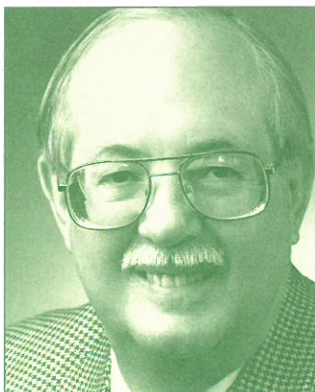
MARSHALL BLANKENSHIP, M.D. AWARDED CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

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The International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS) has awarded its Certificate of Appreciation to Doctor Marshall Blankenship "in recognition of his outstanding contribution to international cooperation between dermatological societies, particularly in relation to education in dermatology in developing countries." Dr. Blankenship is the only American dermatologist to receive the award this year.

Dr. Blankenship has participated in many international organizations:

- International Society of Dermatology – Board of Directors
- Officer of the Fourth World Congress of Dermatology
- American Academy of Dermatology Committee on International Affairs, Member Task Force for Education and Volunteers Abroad
- Foundation for International Dermatological Education (FIDE) Board of Directors Secretary-Treasurer



FIDE does not have an executive secretary. For over twenty years Doctor Blankenship spent many hours a month processing applications for scholarships to the annual AAD meetings and raising funds for them. FIDE currently awards about twelve stipends to young dermatologists from developing countries; the AAD gives them free registration and one free course.

Dr. Blankenship has been a speaker and presented papers at many international meetings including the World Congress of Dermatology in Japan, as well as in Egypt, South Africa, Brazil, Yugoslavia, Germany and Singapore among others.

The ILDS was founded in 1935 to sponsor international congresses of dermatology. Since 1957 it has been governed by an International Committee. In 1987 the International Foundation was founded to improve dermatological care in rural areas of developing countries. A regional dermatology training center was established in Moshi, Tanzania. The ILDS also gives awards from time to time and Doctor Blankenship is the recipient of this year's Certificate of Appreciation, which is richly deserved.

Marshall L. Blankenship, M.D. was also recently honored when the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Dermatology voted to award him Honorary Membership.

James O. Ertle, MD

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

It has been my pleasure to serve as President of the Chicago Dermatological Society this year. Our Society remains as relevant and important to our dermatologists as ever in its 106 year-old history!

The year started with a change of management companies. I am confident Rich Paul and Associates will do a great job professionally in guiding and managing our Society into the foreseeable future. Our website will be updated to provide up-to-date information about our meetings and allow members to review the case presentations. We have begun to implement changes in our meetings so that we meet current CME requirements. We have also developed policies that will foster beneficial partnerships with dermatological pharmaceutical companies for the Society.

We continue to foster a supportive environment for our host academic institutions and dermatology residents. I am sure that we have all noticed nicer clinics and meeting facilities over the past few years. I am grateful to the many faculty and residents that continue the tradition of producing interesting educational programs. Finally, we continue to proudly award research

grants to local area dermatologists/residents as well as being a society patron supporter of the Dermatology Foundation.

This year's speakers have covered a wide range of topics in our specialty from pediatric dermatology, clinical and investigative dermatology, dermatopathology, to dermatological surgery. We had a coding meeting covering important coding changes this year. Our skin cancer screening on the North Avenue beach in August received widespread positive media coverage, and more importantly helped reach hundreds of at-risk individuals. We anticipate another skin cancer beach screening this year on August 11 in conjunction with a nationally televised beach volleyball tournament. Mark your calendars now!

I want to thank my fellow officers in the Society and everyone who helped with Society events as well as Williams Management and Rich Paul for making this year great! This is OUR Society and we should be proud of it. I encourage you to get involved in our dermatological community and support our profession.

Jeffrey Altman, MD

Awards

The Awards Committee of the Society has chosen the recipients of the Founders and the Practitioner of the Year awards for 2007.

Practitioner of the Year Award

Awarded each year to an individual for exemplary service as a practitioner of dermatology:

Marjorie Rosenbaum, M.D.

Founders Award

Awarded each year to an individual who has devoted extraordinary time and talent as a teacher and clinician:

Tony Fu, M.D.

I am a South Sider...a product of the Chicago Public School system and the University of Chicago Laboratory School...as well as the Museum of Science and Industry, the Field Museum, the Art Institute, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Lakefront, and Riverview...a few of the many influential places of my life in Chicago.

Dad was a graduate of the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy, but after serving a brief stint as a pharmacist in his brothers' drug store, he decided to go to law school. Mom returned to school to obtain her master's degree in education when my brother and I reached high school age. She taught first grade on the southwest side of Chicago for more than 20 years. As kids, we'd do science experiments for fun. One of my favorites was raising *Drosophila* in a giant pickle jar on our pantry windowsill in order to study X-linked inheritance of eye color in fruit flies.

My grandfather was an oral surgeon specializing in facial reconstruction. He received his medical degree in Russia and then his DDS at Loyola University when he immigrated to the United States. As a little girl, I loved visiting his office at Mt. Sinai Hospital where he was Head of Oral Surgery and going with him to his office on Wabash Avenue where he took care of private patients. I would spend hours poring through his medical books and examining skulls and jawbones and x-rays.

At Washington University in St. Louis, I majored in sociology-anthropology. My area of focus was medical anthropology. I took undergraduate biology courses because they were interesting, not because I considered going to medical school. At Northwestern University, I earned a masters' degree from the School of Speech...my thesis was on medical communication and health education in a cross-cultural setting...the academic roots of my interest in patient education. After graduate school, I worked with the now defunct Chicago Council for Community Services to formulate disease-specific protocols for hospital discharge planning. In the process of learning about various medical conditions and working with voluntary health agencies, thoughts of becoming a physician surfaced, at last. Off to Loyola University...I took physics, organic chemistry, and more biology in order to complete pre-med requirements. There were no official postbaccalaureate pre-med programs in the 1970s. I went to school part-time while I wrote patient education materials and edited medical journal articles in my job at



a hospital public relations office.

Not only was 1976 the Bicentennial Year for the country, it was also a year of personal celebration for me; I met my husband, Robert A. Rosenbaum, M.D. who was the chief resident in internal medicine at Northwestern, started Rush Medical College and got married. I planned to become an internist and took a clinical rotation in dermatology because my husband, now in private practice, always quipped that while he could handle cardiac arrest, hypertensive crisis and diabetic coma, he wasn't so sure about skin problems. I wanted to be prepared. It was during this rotation that I discovered my love for dermatology. I finished medical school early and rather than take time off, I was able to begin my internship at Northwestern in March, 1980. Three months later I attended my graduation ceremony and 15 days later, gave birth to our first child, Michael. Eight weeks later, I resumed my internship and went on to do my dermatology residency at Northwestern and give birth to our second child, Sara. Our third child, Benjamin, arrived 13 years later in 1994.

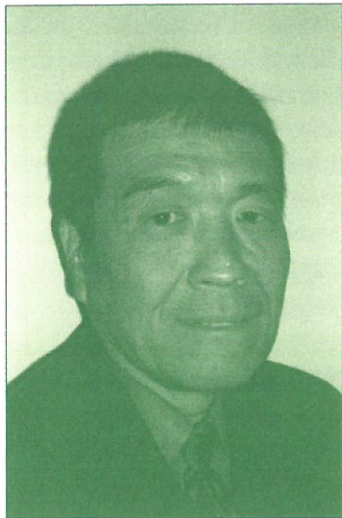
Following internship and residency, I started my own practice and was fortunate to be encouraged to join the voluntary faculty at Rush by Dr. Frederick Malkinson, who is a scholar, a gentleman, and a mentor. During my residency and as an attending at Rush, I have been fortunate to benefit from the experience, knowledge and kindness of many mentors and colleagues including Dr. Marshall Blankenship, Dr. William Caro, Dr. Fred Levit, Dr. Nancy Esterly, Dr. Junji Hasegawa, Dr. Roger Pearson and Dr. Michael Tharp. It's been wonderful to be part of the teaching staff at Rush. I always learn something from the residents. And it's been an honor to serve as a member of the CDS Plans and Policies Committee for the past several years, as past Chair of the Public Awareness/Skin Cancer Screening Committee and as a member of the Illinois Department of Public Health Partnership for Cancer Prevention. I am proud to be part of the work that the CDS has done to educate the public about skin cancer early detection, photoprotection, and self-examination.

With both Michael and Sara (now in medical school) and Benjamin with college ahead, Bob and I do not see retirement as an option any time in the foreseeable future! I look forward to many more years of dermatology practice, teaching, involvement in public education, and association with wonderful colleagues, patients, and friends.

I am deeply humbled to be counted among the recipients of the Chicago Dermatological Society Practitioner of the Year Award. My sincere thanks to my colleagues for this honor.

Marjorie Mintz Rosenbaum, M.D.

I was born in Shanghai, China. Before I got to know this famous bustling city, our family fled the communists and moved to Taiwan. My medical education was at National Taiwan University Medical School. My Alma Mater had produced some unique medical studies. One was the relationship



between arsenical intoxication and skin cancer. That project took years to finish. One village was intoxicated by well water containing high levels of arsenic. The data compiled about etiology, epidemiology, pathology, and treatment led by my professor Dr. Yeh Shu is, I believe, the most complete and thorough in the world.

Another event was about Hepatitis B. Taiwan had the highest incidence of this disease in the world. In the late sixties, "Australian Antigen" (Hepatitis B Surface Antigen) as a cause was found by Dr. Baruch Blumberg. My classmate, Dr. D.S. Chen, after studying this disease, developed the mandate vaccination for every newborn baby. That concept was the first in the world. After coming to the U.S., I contracted this disease while performing an autopsy. I was knocked out of commission for a long time. I wished I had this vaccination when I was born. The "Fu's Australian Antigen" in my serum was used for positive controls to screen the blood donors in Evanston Northwestern Hospital for years to come.

I came to this country in 1969 to study pathology inspired by the above events, intending to receive a PhD in the field of atherosclerosis. My mentor, Dr. Bruce Taylor, was a leading researcher who taught me analytical skills. Unfortunately, I could not finish due to my illness with hepatitis. When I was chief resident in pathology at Evanston Northwestern Hospital, I met the giants in the field of dermatopathology at a conference: Drs. Clark, Lever, Montgomery, Pinkus and Winkelmann. When these men discussed cases, the atmosphere was exciting and vibrant. They were like traders shouting in a pit. That conference made me realize that a good dermatopathologist has to be a good dermatologist.

The late Dr. Stanley Huff introduced me to dermatology. He was my mentor, friend, partner, and father figure. Dr. Alan Lorincz not only defined dermatology for me but also taught me many great virtues such as humility and patience. Teaching is necessary for a dermatopathologist. When you teach, you learn at the same time. It is like the two sides of a coin.

I was trained at Northwestern University in pathology and at the University of Chicago in dermatology. I have interacted with residents at the University of Chicago, Northwestern University, University of Illinois, and Loyola-VA Medical Complex. The Chicago Dermatological Society is the best. It propels our profession to the highest level through the programs put on by the six very fine dermatology institutions. Its newsletter is the best of its kind. I am much honored to be part of it. It is just unthinkable to receive an award from this Society. I'll treasure it forever.

I want to thank the staffs, past and present, at Chicago's six dermatology institutions for giving me support and encouragement. This is especially true of the University of Illinois where I have the longest and deepest relationship. I would like to thank the colleagues with whom I have interacted in my daily practice. Through them I learned the virtue of sharing. I would also like to thank the residents – without them, teaching would not be any fun.

My wife, Sandie and I have been happily married for 28 years. We have three wonderful college kids: Lydia, Molly and Christopher. I spend my leisure time sightseeing, playing bridge, bicycling, playing tennis and swimming. I consider myself a very lucky man.

CDS Past Winners of National Awards

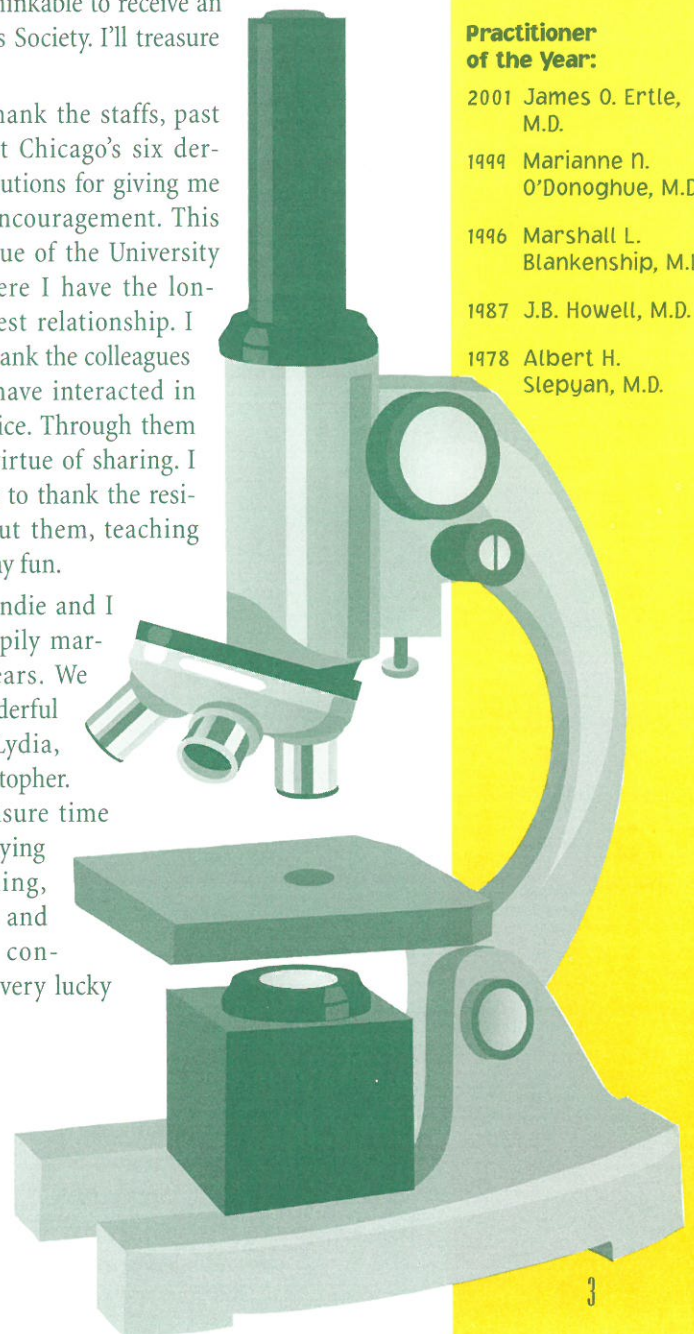
Several of our Chicago Dermatological Society's members have received national awards:

Dermatology Foundation (Finnerud Award):

- 2002 William A. Caro, M.D.
- 1994 Paul M. Lazar, M.D.

Practitioner of the Year:

- 2001 James O. Ertle, M.D.
- 1999 Marianne N. O'Donoghue, M.D.
- 1996 Marshall L. Blankenship, M.D.
- 1987 J.B. Howell, M.D.
- 1978 Albert H. Slepian, M.D.



NEW MEMBERS

The Chicago Dermatological Society is very proud of the many new members that have joined our Society over the past two years. They are listed in the column on the left. The following are bios of some of the most recent members:

ANIMESH A. SINHA, M.D., PH.D.

Dr. Animesh A. Sinha was appointed Chief of Dermatology and Cutaneous Sciences and Director, Center for Investigative Dermatology, at the College of Human Medicine, Michigan State University in October, 2005. Following the completion of his M.D. degree in 1982 from the University of Alberta, Canada, Dr. Sinha received his Ph.D. degree (medical sciences – immunology) in 1986 from the same institution. Subsequently, he pursued post-doctoral research at Stanford University in the department of microbiology and immunology. Dr. Sinha's subspecialty training in dermatology was completed at Yale University/Yale-New Haven Hospital. Prior to his appointment at Michigan State University, Dr. Sinha was Associate Professor and Program Director, Department of Dermatology, Weill Medical College at Cornell University. Dr. Sinha's professional goals are aimed at bridging the bench to the bedside. He has published extensively and received numerous honors and awards for his academic activities. He is highly sought after as an invited speaker worldwide on a broad range of clinical and research topics.

AMY DERICK, M.D.

Dr. Amy Derick grew up in Inverness, Illinois, where her parents still reside. After graduating from high school, she was accepted to the University of Notre Dame as a Notre Dame Scholar and graduated with a B.S. degree. Amy then attended the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine where she received her medical degree. She was given the American Medical Women's Association Award for outstanding scholastic achievement, as well as the Catherine Dobson Prize for clinical research.

Following an internal medicine internship at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Dr. Derick returned to the University of Chicago for her dermatology residency. During her final year, she served as chief resident and received a Women's Dermatologic Society's Mentorship Award to study cutaneous laser surgery. Dr. Derick has published several articles and delivered presentations on the national level. Her research on body art has been featured in media sources like CNN.com, *The Wall Street Journal*, and on the television show *The View*. Amy is active in the Women's Dermatologic Society, for which she serves on the Fundraising Committee and participates in national media events.

Amy and her husband Michael, a hedge fund manager, appreciate suburban life after many years of living in downtown Chicago. They enjoy spending time with her parents and her parents' Weimaraner dogs, Bailey and Baron. Amy is practicing both medical and aesthetic dermatology. She is the owner and sole practitioner of Derick Dermatology, LLC in Barrington, Illinois.

GINA DILLIG, M.D.

Dr. Gina Dillig was born and raised in Milwaukee. After graduating from the University of Wisconsin with a Bachelor of Science in zoology, she moved to Chicago, her home for the past nine years. Gina attended Loyola University of Chicago, Stritch School of Medicine, and then entered John H. Stroger/Cook County Hospital for her dermatology residency. Gina works in Hinsdale at Aesthetic and Clinical Dermatology Associated with Drs. Scott and Melanie Zahner. She volunteers monthly at Stroger/Cook County Hospital where she teaches residents surgical dermatology. Gina and her husband Matt live in Chicago with their 16-month-old daughter Camryn. Gina's time away from work is occupied with Camryn, often taking her on excursions throughout the city. Gina and Matt are expecting their second baby any day.

Keira Barr, M.D.
Ashish Bhatia, M.D.
Amy Derick, M.D.
Gina Dillig, M.D.
Vassilios Dimitropoulos, M.D.
Naomi Donnelly, M.D.
Lady Christine Dy, M.D.
Courtney Herbert, M.D.
Keren Horn, M.D.
Shirley Jean-Baptiste, M.D.
Todd Johnson, M.D.
Aleksander Kronic, M.D.
Roopal Kundu, M.D.
Mario La Couture, M.D.
Wenhua Liu, M.D., Ph.D.
Keith Lopatka, M.D.
Lalitha Mamilla, M.D.
Steven Mandrea, M.D.
Kim Nussbaum, M.D., MBA
Marianne Rosen, M.D.
Rebecca Satoskar, M.D.
Aisha Sethi, M.D.
Prashant Singri, M.D.
Animesh Sinha, M.D., Ph.D.
David Soleymani, M.D.
Xiaoming Sun, M.D.
Maria Tsoukas, M.D., Ph.D.
Rama Vaitla, M.D.
Anna Vawter, M.D.
Lucite White, M.D.
Michael Yablonsky, M.D.
Simon Yu, M.D.
Melanie Zahner, M.D.



STEVEN MANDREA, M.D.

Dr. Steven Mandrea completed his dermatology residency at the University of Illinois in 2006. He currently is working with his father, Eugene Mandrea, M.D. (a CDS member for over 40 years) in their Chicago and Morton Grove offices. Steve is practicing general adult and pediatric dermatology and dermatologic surgery. He has a particular interest in cosmetic dermatology, including the use of lasers, intense pulsed light, Botox, and fillers.

Dr. Mandrea is a lifetime Chicagoan, having completed medical school and dermatology residency at the University of Illinois in Chicago. His undergraduate education was obtained from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, where he still attempts to make an annual pilgrimage with friends for a college football game. Dr. Mandrea was also fortunate enough to have spent six months as a college student in Seville, Spain, during which time he became fluent in Spanish. Currently, Steve lives in Lincoln Park with his wife (and occasional office assistant) Marisa, son Maxwell (age 2½), and daughter Josie (age 8 months). They enjoy playing with toys, going to the park, and finger painting. Steve and his father are frequently reprimanded for discussing dermatology in front of the children.

AISHA SETHI, M.D.

Dr. Aisha Sethi joined the University of Chicago's section of dermatology in the fall of 2006 after finishing her dermatology residency at Yale-New Haven Hospital where she also served as chief resident. She joined U. of C. as an assistant professor of dermatology and also as the associate residency program director.

She was born in Charlotte, North Carolina and grew up in Manchester, England and in Lahore, Pakistan. After finishing medical school at the Aga Khan University in Pakistan, she completed a two-year post-doctoral NIH research fellowship at Yale University. Thereafter, she completed her internship and dermatology residency at Yale. Her academic interest include tropical travel dermatology—to understand the etiology and treatment of dermatologic diseases and syndromes in business and recreational travelers, immigrant and minority populations, as well as address global infectious diseases with dermatologic manifestations. This interest has led her to fieldwork in Pakistan, Peru, St. John's Institute of Dermatology and the Hospital of Tropical diseases in London, and the Regional Dermatology Training Center in Moshi, Tanzania.

Aisha is especially interested in promoting the field of general dermatology and collaborating with educational institutions in developing countries. Dr. Sethi holds a particular interest in dermatologic diseases in the immunocompromised oncologic/transplant/ HIV seropositive patient population. She has a special interest in dermatology resident education and curriculum development. In her free time she likes to travel, practice classical Indian singing and dance, and visit local theaters and museums. She also speaks fluent Urdu and Hindi.

XIAOMING SUN, M.D.

Dr. Xiaoming Sun came to the U.S. after graduating from medical school at Zhejiang Medical University in China. As a visiting scholar, she was fortunate enough to obtain a position in the Department of Pathology at Northwestern University. During the next 11 years, with the support of her mentor, Dr. Wei Hsueh, she concentrated on medical research, publishing 25 scientific papers including book chapters. During that period of time, she enjoyed her hobbies of painting, singing, and dancing. In particular, she enjoyed sketching people's faces because that allowed her to capture their spirit.

After passing the USMLE, she completed a pathology residency at Loyola University Medical Center and had the good fortune to work with Dr. Brian Nickoloff. This experience led her to the field of dermatopathology. In 2002, she was accepted into the Dermatology Department at Northwestern Medical School for a 2-year dermatopathology fellowship. It was at Northwestern where she learned to love her specialty. She is very grateful to her mentor, Dr. Joan Guitart, for giving her this opportunity.

Currently, she is a dermatopathologist at Quest Diagnostics. It is a completely different setting from a university, which has allowed her to become a much more involved mother. She is a member of the teaching faculty at the Dermatology Department at the University of Illinois, which she wholeheartedly enjoys. After years of hard work, she finally has the time to pursue her hobbies once again.

MARIA M. TSOUKAS, M.D.

Dr. Maria Tsoukas obtained her MD degree from the University of Athens Medical School in Athens, Greece. Following her graduation, she received a research fellowship on cutaneous photodynamic therapy at the Wellman Center for Photomedicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts. Based on her research at Harvard, she obtained her Ph.D. degree from the University of Athens. Maria completed a medical internship at Tufts Medical School and a dermatology residency at Roger Williams Medical Center-Boston University, and Dartmouth Medical School. She then completed her clinical fellowship in skin surgery and cosmetic dermatology at Dartmouth.

Presently, Maria is an attending physician at the University of Chicago, where she is interested in clinical applications of photodynamic therapy in cutaneous oncology, especially in patients involved with multiple recurrent neoplasias. Maria is also investigating applications of photodynamic therapy as an alternative therapeutic modality to conventional phototherapy for several other diseases in dermatology. Other interests include skin cancer surgery, cosmetic procedures, and laser surgery in darker skin types.

2007-2008 Meeting Schedule

Wed., Oct. 10, 2007
*Northwestern
University*

Wed., Nov. 14, 2007
University of Chicago

Wed., Dec. 5, 2007
University of Illinois

Wed., March 14, 2008
*Stroger/Cook County
Hospital*

Friday, April 18, 2008
Location TBD
*Clinical Pathological
Correlation*

May 21, 2008
*Rush/Presbyterian/
St. Luke's Hospital*

CDS RESEARCH AWARD

In keeping with the educational and scientific mission of the Chicago Dermatological Society, we have maintained a program to fund new and ongoing clinical/laboratory research in the field of dermatology. These grants provide an excellent opportunity for a clinician to explore a specific clinical question that might otherwise go unanswered, or for a young investigator to initiate a project that might prove seminal to an academic career. Grants are available to: regular members of the CDS (both those affiliated with academic centers and those in private practice); residents in training; fellows; and Ph.D. holders whose major appointment is in academic dermatology. Awards are typically for \$5,000 (and will not exceed \$10,000), are non-renewable, and may not be used for payment of salary or indirect costs. Award recipients are required to present their preliminary findings to the CDS membership during the May meeting of the following year.

Submissions must be accompanied by a CDS grant application (available through the CDS office at 847-680-1666). The deadline is April 1, with the winner(s) to be announced the following month at the annual "awards meeting."

This year the scientific committee of the CDS has chosen two research proposals: 1) Drs. Sarah Kasprovicz and Melanie Palm from Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's, "Topical Therapeutic Options for Keratosis Pilaris" (\$5,000); and 2) Dr. Bernhard Ortel from the University of Chicago, "Evaluation and Manipulation of Cellular Molecular Determinants of ALA-Induced PpIX Formation" (\$5,200).



TOPICAL THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS FOR KERATOSIS PILARIS

We plan to investigate the efficacy of three topical preparations for the treatment of keratosis pilaris (KP). The three treatments will include 20% urea cream compounded with 2% salicylic acid, 0.1 % tazarotene cream and 17.5% free glycolic acid lotion. The study will extend over 9 weeks, including an initial one month wash-out period. Inclusion criteria include a diagnosis of KP with involvement of the upper arms, age 18-65, and currently not using concurrent prescription topical or systemic therapy for KP. Participants will be evaluated at 0, 2, 4, 6 and 8 weeks both clinically and with surveys.

*Sarah Kasprovicz, M.D.
Melanie Palm, M.D.*

EVALUATION AND MANIPULATION OF CELLULAR MOLECULAR DETERMINANTS OF ALA-INDUCED PpIX FORMATION

Aminolevulinic acid (ALA)-based photodynamic therapy (PDT) is different from other forms of PDT by depending on the target cells' capability to convert ALA to protoporphyrin IX (PpIX). We have found that pharmacological treatment of cells can greatly enhance cellular PpIX concentration. We want to use this finding to enhance existing clinical regimens. We will evaluate the cellular mechanisms that are most important in increasing ALA-induced PpIX formation, because the intracellular PpIX levels are the most critical value for successful PDT. There is an unresolved controversy about the hierarchy of heme pathway enzymes that are together responsible for PpIX production. We have demonstrated that one of them, coproporphyrinogen oxidase (CPO) is regulated in settings of stimulated, increased ALA-PpIX formation. Also, transfection of cells with CPO increases cellular ALA-PpIX fluorescence. We are now investigating a cell line where independent and unrelated methods allow an up to tenfold increased accumulation of ALA-PpIX. The contribution of the proposed research is to evaluate transcriptional regulation, RNA and protein expression, and enzymatic activity of heme enzymes that are most critical in the regulation of the conversion from ALA to PpIX.

Bernhard Ortel, M.D.

NEW MANAGEMENT COMPANY

If you've seen some new faces at the Chicago Dermatological Society monthly meetings lately, it's because Richard Paul & Associates became the administrative team for the Society at the beginning of the year. The company's president, Rich Paul, has worked in the medical field for 20 years, beginning as the Manager of State Affairs at the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Since 1993, he has had his own association management firm focused exclusively on small-size medical specialty associations.

Currently, in addition to the CDS, the company handles eight physician associations: five midwest state ophthalmological societies, the Wisconsin Chapter of Emergency Physicians, one small national organization of ophthalmologists and its "sister" foundation, and the Chicago Ophthalmological Society. Typical responsibilities include meeting planning, administrative and financial management, governmental affairs, member services, and public information projects.

Based in Vernon Hills, RP&A has three full-time employees and two on the way. Meg Rau is the administrative assistant who keeps all of the membership databases current. She's also probably the first person you'll speak to when calling the CDS office. Kathy Paul (yes, she is Rich's wife) does most of the meeting logistics and handles the bookkeeping. She is a former scheduler for U.S. Senator Birch Bayh (D-Indiana) and has spent time as a travel agent in Austin, Texas and San Francisco, California. The two open positions include a receptionist/clerical staff and an assistant executive director, who will be responsible primarily for membership issues, website updates, and special projects.

Prior to entering the association business, Rich Paul was press secretary for Senator Bayh and also held the same position for Ann Richards when she was Texas State Treasurer. He has also worked on several political campaigns, was marketing director for the transit authority in Austin, Texas and worked in the commodity futures business here in Chicago. He's a native of the Chicago area.

Among the first priorities for RP&A will be to upgrade the CDS continuing medical education accreditation program and revamp some of the administrative procedures currently in place. Keeping the website up-to-date also will be a key task in the coming months.

If you need to reach any of the CDS administrative team, just call 847/680-1666 or contact Rich at: RichardPaul@DLS.net.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The John Weiss Lectureship is coming of age. The six-year-old annual academic event presented at the spring meeting of the San Francisco Dermatological Society was endowed by John W. Weiss, M.D. in 2001. Drs. Mark Lebwohl, Bruce Thiers, Darryl Rigel, Richard Scher, Jean Bolognia and Jeff Callan all have presented lectures about medical aspects of dermatology. Dr. Weiss, a past president of the San Francisco Dermatological Society and its 2005 Practitioner of the Year, also was President of the Chicago Dermatological Society from 1990-91 and their 1992 Practitioner of the Year. John is in private practice in Castro Valley, California, and is a clinical professor of dermatology at University of California, San Francisco (UCSF).

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES NEEDED

The Winnetka-Northfield Rotary Club and The Vermont Institute in the Caribbean are seeking donations of medical equipment and/or medical supplies. These items will be sent to clinics and doctors in nations where they are desperately needed. The Dominican Republic, Tanzania, Uganda, Cuba, Vietnam and Nicaragua are the recipient countries. Before items are shipped, a need assessment will be made. Your donations can be picked up at your convenience at any location.

For details or additional information contact: Don Crost-Fink at: 847-414-3637 or doncrost@gmail.com.

CDS MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the Chicago Dermatological Society is to educate its members and guests (medical residents and students) in dermatology and its subspecialties and to promote:

- ◆ Excellence in patient care
- ◆ Adherence to a high level of ethical conduct and professionalism
- ◆ Dermatology related research
- ◆ A spirit of community among its members
- ◆ Public interest relating to dermatology

Society Officers 2007-2008

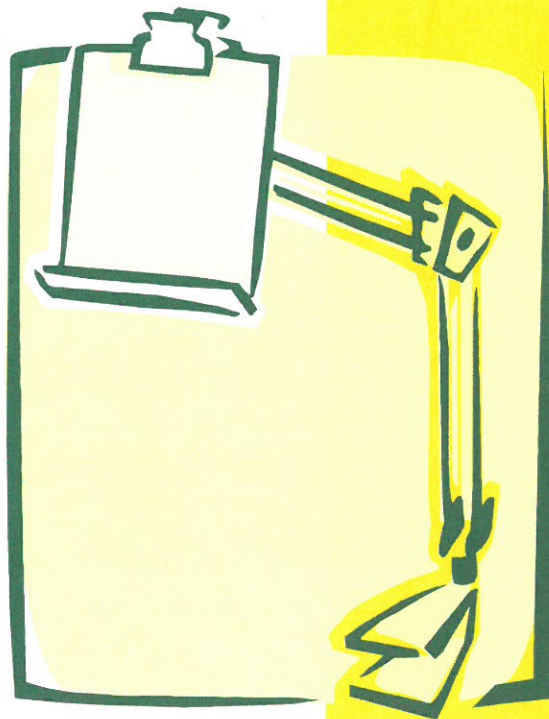
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Vice-President

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Ben Dubin, M.D.
Secretary



CBS PRACTITIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded each year to an individual for exemplary service as a practitioner of Dermatology.

1977	Sam Zakon, M.D.	1993	Paul Lazar, M.D.
1978	Albert Slepian, M.D.	1994	Roland Medansky, M.D.
1979	Theodore Combleet, M.D.	1995	Emanuel Liss, M.D.
1980	Irene Neuhauser, M.D.	1996	Samuel Solomon, M.D.
1981	Louis Rubin, M.D.	1997	Raymond Handler, M.D.
1982	Sidney Kaplan, M.D.	1998	Morton Barnett, M.D.
1983	Silas Wallk, M.D.	1999	Thomas Andrews, M.D.
1984	Milton Robin, M.D.	2000	Nancy Furey, M.D.
1985	Alex Buchholz, M.D.	2001	George Engle, M.D.
1986	Hyman Burstein, M.D.	2002	Mark Gordon, M.D.
1987	Eugene Lorant, M.D.	2003	David Lorber, M.D.
1988	Frank Dunlap, M.D.	2004	Arthur Altman, M.D.
1989	Irving Distelheim, M.D.	2005	Elizabeth La Voo, M.D.
1990	Alan Lasser, M.D.	2006	Arnold Gombiner, M.D.
1991	James Ertle, M.D.	2007	Marjorie Rosenbaum, M.D.
1992	John Weiss, M.D.		

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1984	Samuel Bluefarb, M.D.	1997	Mark Gendleman, M.D.
1985	Stefan Bielinski, M.D.	1998	Ana Eng, M.D.
1986	Melville Hartman, M.D.	1999	Salve Ronan, M.D.
1987	Frederick Szymanski, M.D.	2000	Taraneh Firooz, M.D.
1988	Stanley Huff, M.D.	2001	Maria Medinica, M.D.
1989	Arthur Shapiro, M.D.	2002	Bruce Bennin, M.D.
1990	M. Barry Kirschenbaum, M.D.	2003	Keyoumars Soltani, M.D.
1991	Fred Levit, M.D.	2004	Virginia Fiedler, M.D.
1992	William Caro, M.D.	2005	Sophie Worobec, M.D.
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2002	Sidney Barsky, M.D.

