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SUBMIT TO THE SLICE!

Have something to share? Please, let us know! Submit to this newsletter by emailing us over at Mitchell15@up.edu or surgclrk@hawaii.ed. Send us your pictures, papers, and news before the 15th of the month, and you can be a part of The Slice!

FACULTY SNAPSHOTS



Featuring in this issue: Stacey L. Woodruff, MD

Let's say hi to our newest faculty member! Dr. Woodruff grew up in Indiana, attending Indiana University School of Medicine. She then moved on to Dallas, Texas, for a 5 year general surgery residency program at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and Parkland Health and Hospital System, graduating in 2008. (cont. on page 3)

Welcome to the UHM Department of Surgery's

newsletter! We apologize for the pause between issues—but we hope you're as excited as we are to get back on track! We'd also like to thank everyone who sent in their faculty snapshots and announcements. And don't forget to keep submitting!

Congratulations to Dr. Takanishi!

Dr. Danny Takanishi has been elected Vice-Chair of the ACGME Residency Review Committee (RRC) for Surgery, for a 2 year term beginning on July 1, 2014. His appointment to the RRC for Surgery was confirmed by the ACGME Board of Directors for a 6 year term, effective July 2012 – June 2018.

Dr. Byron Izuka Appointed as Research Director

Dr. Byron Izuka has been selected to serve as the Director for Orthopedic Research. His great energy, vision, enthusiasm and intellect, which he has expressed in his position at Shriner's Hospital for Children and numerous publications, will serve to guide and support resident and faculty scholarly endeavors. He has been a tremendous role model with multiple recent national research presentations in the context of maintaining a busy clinical practice. We look forward to seeing more great work from our Orthopedic Division!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. LINDA WONG

Our very own Dr. Linda Wong is the first surgeon from Hawaii in over two decades to be elected to the American Surgical Society, the oldest and most prestigious surgeon organization in America. Congratulations!

Faculty Service Awards

*To Nancy Furumoto, M.,D For 20 years of service *To Maria Chun, Ph.D. For 20 years of service

We'd like to thank you for all your years of dedicated work!

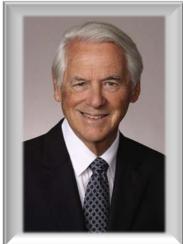
SIMULATION TAKES THE PRIZE

Our SmarTummy programmable abdominal disease simulation manikin won the third place prize of \$10,000 at the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) competition in Washington DC on April 28, 2014. The concept manikin originated in University of Hawaii's ME 699 bioengineering course, and was directed by professors Scott Miller and Dr. Russell Woo. The manikin was presented at the competition by electrical engineering graduate student, Larry K. Martin. The SmarTummy team was further represented by the presence of Dr. Walton Shim. The award reflects the effort and ingenuity of both the University and JABSOM.

Dr. Ing's Study of Monofixation Syndrome

The results of Dr. Ing's retrospective study to determine etiology, characteristics, and stability of the monofixation syndrome

(MFS) have been published in the *American Journal of Ophthalmology*. The study, which followed 63 patients with MFS, found that MFS is a relatively stable binocular status, with 92% of participants having a stable MFS of a mean of 13.9 years. A small percentage of patients decompensated, needing secondary surgery to restore their MFS binocular status. Another small percentage spontaenously recovered. They also found that the majortiy of MFS patients had esotripia. The findings



Dr. Ing

of the study sugggest that opthalmologists with MFS patients should be aware of decompensations and should consider secondary surgery for their patients, if necessary.





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Medical students! Were you awarded conference scholarships?

We'd like you to write to us a little about your experiences. We'd love to hear from you! Email us over at Mitchell15@up.edu or surgclrk@hawaii.edu.

BIOS AND PHOTOS WANTED!

Answer these questions below and, along with a picture of yourself, send them to sheltont@hawaii.edu. Why? These can be used to add "color" background to breaking news stories about your research, promotions, and/or service, to better tell each other and the Hawai`i community what we do to improve the health, education and economy of Hawai`i, and to regularly (at least once a month) feature your work (you get to approve articles in advance) on the website or in the newsletter (or broader)—which we hope will make all of us feel better about our University.

FACULTY SNAPSHOTS

- 1. What is your name and academic title?
- 2. What---in layperson's terms—is your primary research interest, or in the case of clinical faculty, your area of expertise?
- 3. How does what you do help the average citizen of Hawai`i?
- 4. Where (campus, health care center, etc.) are you "based" at work?
- 5. Please attach a high-resolution (1 megabyte size or above) jpeg of yourself, or two if you have both a headshot and a photo of yourself "working" in the lab or community. If you have the latter, please provide a caption.
- 6. What community do you live in?
- 7. Quotes are nice: Why do you do what you do? What inspired you and continues to inspire you?

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Featuring this issue: Stacey L. Woodruff, MD (cont.)

She spent one year as general surgery faculty at Parkland. Dr. Woodruff then completed a one year fellowship in endocrine surgery at the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne, Australia. She rejoined the faculty at UT Southwestern for 3 years as an endocrine surgeon. She has now relocated to Honolulu, and is currently Assistant Professor of Surgery at John A. Burns School of Medicine, and has joined UCERA for her clinical practice in general and endocrine surgery. Dr. Woodruff is a member of AMA, ACS, SAGES, AAES (candidate member), and AACE. Her primary interests are thyroid, parathyroid, and adrenal diseases, including thyroid cancer, primary hyperparathyroidism, and adrenal nodules. Her clinical office is at Queen's POBII, Suite 703. Phone 526-2477

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