



## Weekly Research Newsletter April 24, 2017

### In the News



### Research forum features a variety of presentations

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 Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at the Permian Basin and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin joined forces for the Permian Basin Research Forum Thursday and today.

For Texas Tech health sciences, this was the 26th Annual Research Day. Today's installment will start at 11:30 a.m. at the UTPB library.

Those attending Thursday's session heard presentations from faculty, residents and students from different disciplines. Poster and pre-recorded presentations also were featured.

**More Information**

- Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
- University of Texas of the Permian Basin

UTPB Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Michael Zavatta said having research forum was aimed at engaging Texas Tech, UTPB, other educational institutions and the community.

Dr. Natalia Schlabritz-Lidzewich, associate regional dean for research at TTUHSC at the Permian Basin, was a main organizer of the forum.

**THANK YOU!**

**To the faculty,  
residents, medical  
students!**

Congratulations to the winners from the 2017  
**Permian Basin Research Forum**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> place clinical research oral presentation



**Gabrielle Rich, D.O., PGY-II, Mentor: Dr. J. Maher, M.D.**  
"Ultrasound evaluation of successful rescue cerclage"

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> place clinical research oral presentation



**Jarrold Tunnell, MS3, Mentor: Dr. B. Kola, M.D.**  
"The effects of clinician age and gender on breastfeeding education"

**1<sup>st</sup> place case report oral presentation and 2<sup>nd</sup> place case report poster presentation**



**Alfredo Iardino, M.D., PGY-I**  
 "Is fatigue life-threatening?"  
 "Fatal Interactions"

**2<sup>nd</sup> place case report oral presentation (tie) and 1<sup>st</sup> place clinical research poster presentation**



**Hanna Kodeih, D.O., PGY-II,**  
**Mentor: Dr. D. Moore, M.D.**

"Finding parasite in the wild west: Diagnosing a tropical disease in the Permian Basin"

**Mentor: Dr. J. Maher, M.D.**

"Multidisciplinary approach to the perinatal care of families affected by fetal anomalies"

**2<sup>nd</sup> place case report oral presentation (tie) and 1<sup>st</sup> place clinical research poster presentation**



**Hira Cheema, M.D., PGY-II,**  
**Mentor: Ashutosh Gupta, M.D., Yasir Ahmed, M.D.**  
 "IUD induced liver injury"

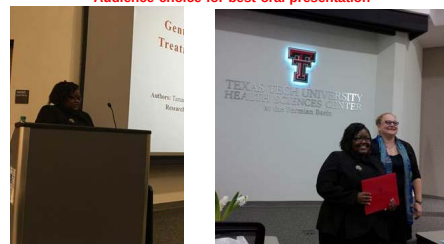
**Mentors: Drs. Yasir Ahmed, M.D. and Kalyan Chakralla, D.O.**  
 "Role of octreotide in Heyde's Syndrome"

**Best basic science oral presentation**



**Vanessa Montoya-Urbe, Mentor: Dr. Natalia Schlambritz-Lutsevich, M.D, Ph.D.**  
 "Characterization of CB1 (Cannabinoid Receptor 1) Isoforms in Fetal and Maternal Tissues"

**Audience choice for best oral presentation**



**Tamareal Ross, M.D., PGY-III, Mentors: Dr. V. Selvan, M.D, Dr. T. Deaver, D.P.M.**  
 "Gentian Violet: A low-cost treatment for onychomycosis?"

**2<sup>nd</sup> place clinical research poster presentation**



**Eugenia Banina, M.D., PGY-I and Anton Kosov, M.D., PGY-I, Mentor: Dr. Schlabritz-Lutsevich, M.D., Ph.D.**  
“Syncytiotrophoblast microparticles (STBM) as a pioneering approach for breast cancer prevention and treatment”

**Best basic science poster**



**Amanda Stuelpnagel, M.D., PGY-I and Daniella Pino, M.D., PGY-I, Mentor: Dr. J. Maher, M.D.**  
“Pregnancy-related maternal hepatic lipid accumulation, evaluated as hepato-renal ratio”

**Pre-recorded presentations**

**1<sup>st</sup> place best pre-recorded presentation**



**Brittany Brothers, M.D., PGY-III, Mentor: Dr. Moss Hampton, M.D.**  
“Preventing Primary C-Section”

**2<sup>nd</sup> place best pre-recorded presentation**



**Jonathan Lugo, M.D., PGY-IV, Mentor: Dr. Schlabritz-Lutsevich, M.D., Ph.D.**  
“Evaluation of the thermal map of human placenta as the first step to in vivo application of infrared thermometry”

## Thank you to the keynote speaker



Volker Neugebauer, M.D., Ph.D.

## Thank you to the judges

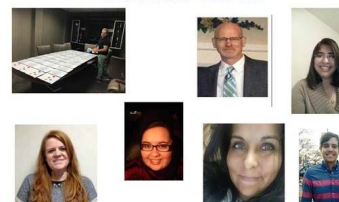


Oral presentations: Rama Chemitiganti, M.D., James Maher, M.D., Eneko Larumbe, Ph.D., Thomas Ready, Ph.D. Poster presentations: Jennifer Hinojosa, R.N., Babatunde Jinadu, M.D., Lavi Oud, M.D., Erik Wilkinson, M.L.S., Dinesh Gowda, M.D., Michael Makii, M.D., Arpita Vyas, M.D., Andrey Bednov, Ph.D., Michael Zavada, Ph.D.

Pre-recorded presentations: Bhargavi Kola, M.D., Jamie Hughes, Ph.D.

# SPECIAL THANKS

### POWER TEAM





Congratulations to **Dr. Dinesh Gowda** of the Pediatrics Department on having papers published recently in the journals Consultant for Pediatricians and Clinical Pediatrics (listed below), and congratulations to medical student Sonia Joseph who was also listed as an author on the paper **"Thyroglossal Cyst: What is the right age to operate?"**

Gowda D. **Isolated Type II Preaxial Polydactyly**. Consultant for Pediatricians. 2016; 15(1): 41-42.  
Gowda D., Joseph S. Thyroglossal Cyst. Clin Pediatr (Phila). 2017 Jan 1:9922816687330. (DOI: 10.1177/0009922816687330)



Dr. Hira Cheema  
PGY-II of the Internal Medicine Department

for winning 1<sup>st</sup> prize at the American College of Physicians Resident Competition for the Northwest region in Lubbock on Wednesday, April 19. Dr. Cheema won with the case report presentation "Hide and Seek," which involved the unusual condition of Heyde's Syndrome (Aortic Stenosis leading to GI bleeding from AVMs). Drs. Yasir Ahmed and Kalyan Chakraborty were key faculty advisors on this project.



Dr. Orlando Garner, M.D., PGY-I  
Internal Medicine Department

also presented at the American College of Physicians Resident Competition for the Northwest region. Congratulations to him on a job well done.

## Visit from TTUHSC Library Director



On Friday, April 21, the Permian Basin campus was visited by the new TTUHSC Library Director, Dr. Richard Nollan

## The Center of Excellence for Translational Neuroscience and Therapeutics (CTNT) Symposium

**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER.**

Save the date April 27, 2017

**2nd Annual Symposium  
The Center of Excellence for Translational  
Neuroscience and Therapeutics (CTNT)**

- Keynote Speaker and ADK lecturer:  
**Robert W. Gereau, IV PhD**  
Director, Washington University Pain Center,  
Dr. Seymour and Rose T. Brown Professor  
Department of Anesthesiology,  
Washington University School of Medicine
- Presentations by CTNT Scientists
- Poster Session
- Awards Ceremony

Additional details to follow. Please register for this year's event and view abstract guidelines please visit:  
<http://www.ttuhscc.edu/ctnt/2017symposium.aspx>

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From the American Heart Association



### Marathons Pose Death Risk to Older Non-Participants

Delays in getting to emergency care common during big races. [Read more](#)

[Pregnant Women with CHD at Risk for Other Heart Troubles](#)  
[Higher risk of incident CHF, arrhythmias](#) [Read more](#)



## Resources

[AHA Stroke Statements and Guidelines](#)

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|                                                                                                                                       | <p>The American Heart Association and American Stroke Association publish medical scientific statements on various cardiovascular disease and stroke topics. <a href="#">Read More</a></p> <p><b>Heart Disease &amp; Stroke Statistics — 2017 Update</b><br/>The most up-to-date statistics on heart disease, stroke, other vascular diseases. <a href="#">Read More</a></p> <p><b>Stroke, an American Heart Association/American Stroke Association Journal</b><br/>The #1 journal dedicated to cerebrovascular research, representing the best in the field—original contributions, brief reports, basic science advances for clinicians, comments and opinions, controversies, emerging therapies, topical reviews, Cochrane Corner, an online webinar series, and case reports. <a href="#">Read More</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <br><b>PLOS</b><br>Early Career Travel Award Program | <p>Are you an ECR? If you are presenting your research at a conference in 2017 you may be eligible for PLOS' <a href="#">ECR Travel Awards program</a>. Share your thoughts on science communication and you could be one of ten winners who will receive \$500 to be used toward conference travel.</p> <p><b>Eligibility</b><br/>Winners must meet all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Present at a conference between April 1 and December 31, 2017</li> <li>- Listed as an author on a PLOS journal article with a publication date on or before the date application is submitted</li> <li>- Be currently enrolled in a graduate program, or have a graduate degree within the last 5 years of the application deadline.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, please visit: <a href="https://www.plos.org/ecr-travel-awards?utm_source=plos&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=plos-1704-ecrta">https://www.plos.org/ecr-travel-awards?utm_source=plos&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=plos-1704-ecrta</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <br><b>Student Research Grant Program</b>            | <p><b>2017 Society of Addiction Psychology Student Research Grant Program</b></p> <p>The Society of Addiction Psychology (SoAP; Division 50 of the American Psychological Association) offers the Student Research Grant Program to support graduate student research in the field of addiction psychology. Three Student Research Grants of up to \$1250.00 each will be awarded each year. One proposal will be funded in each of the following categories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>President's Selection:</b> One proposal will be selected by the sitting President-Elect of SoAP based on how closely the project fits/integrates with that year's presidential theme, which is: "<i>Bottom-Up Approaches to Bridging the Gap Between the Science and Practice of Addiction Treatment</i>"</li> <li>• <b>Clinical Significance:</b> One proposal will be selected based on its potential impact on the practical application of addiction treatment, services, or preventative interventions.</li> <li>• <b>Innovation:</b> One proposal will be selected for its potential to shift current research or clinical practice paradigms through novel theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions.</li> </ul> <p>These annual awards will be presented to students whose research reflects excellence in addiction psychology and will be evaluated on the criteria detailed in the attached brochure. The award winners will be required to attend and present the study's findings at either the annual American Psychological Association Convention or the annual Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction Conference after the study's conclusion. As part of the award, recipients will have their conference registration fee provided and will receive up to \$500.00 in travel funds. This travel allocation is in addition to the allotted \$1250.00 and does not need to be deducted from the project's budget.</p> <p>Applications are due May 1, 2017. Please see the attached <a href="#">Student Research Grant Program brochure</a> for submission details.</p> |
| <br><b>New journal: Gender and the Genome</b>       | <p>Gender and the Genome is a new journal for sex and gender research. The journal's mission is to unite the transforming science that was initiated and continues to evolve since the beginning of this new century with the relevance of biological sex to the new 21<sup>st</sup> century research. More information about the journal can be found at <a href="http://online.liebertpub.com/doi/full/10.1089/gg.2016.0005">http://online.liebertpub.com/doi/full/10.1089/gg.2016.0005</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                                    |  <p><b>Rural Health at the Crossroads</b><br/>JUNE 21-23 AMARILLO, TX<br/>MANAGING CHALLENGES &amp; DISPARITIES IN RURAL HEALTH</p> <p>The 2017 Rural Health at the Crossroads conference is currently accepting abstracts for poster presentations. Posters may focus on original descriptive or analytic studies or evidence policy research and community health. A judging Committee will select winners based on criteria posted on the conference website.</p> <p><b>FORMAT REQUIREMENTS</b><br/>Submissions must include:<br/>• Title: A maximum of 10 words that describe your poster.<br/>• Abstract: Concise, content details for all authors, including email addresses and phone numbers.<br/>• Abstract: Summary of poster not to exceed 300 words.<br/>Posters should be no larger than 42 x 48 inches.</p> <p><b>REGISTRATION FEE</b><br/>All presenters are required to pay the appropriate conference registration fee. Students may register for the conference at a discounted rate.</p> <p><b>POSTER PRESENTATION DATES/TIMES</b><br/>Thursday, June 22<br/>Set up: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.<br/>Judging: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.<br/>Friday, June 23<br/>Research Luncheon: 12:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NOTIFICATIONS</b><br/>Email abstracts to: <a href="mailto:abstracts@ruralhealthatthecrossroads.org">abstracts@ruralhealthatthecrossroads.org</a> or before May 10, 2017. Abstracts will be selected at the discretion of the program committee.</p> <p><b>TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER</b><br/>8 Major Hill Station at<br/>Rural and Community Health</p> <p><b>TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER</b><br/>8 Major Hill Station at<br/>Rural and Community Health</p> <p><a href="http://www.CrossroadsConference.us">www.CrossroadsConference.us</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <br><b>Basic Science Journal Club</b>              | <p>The Basic Science Journal club will have its next meeting on Thursday, May 4, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the Dean's Conference Room. For more information about the Basic Science Journal Club, please contact Dr. Kushal Gandhi at <a href="mailto:Kushal.gandhi@ttuhsc.edu">Kushal.gandhi@ttuhsc.edu</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Reminder about listing correct author affiliation</b>                                                                              | <p>When listing your affiliation for scholarly publications, please use <b>Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at the Permian Basin</b>. Using this name will allow for others to more accurately search for your publications through databases such as PubMed.</p> <p>Please do not use names such as: Texas Tech Health Sciences, Texas Tech University, or TTUHSC.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>From the TTUHSC School of Medicine Associate Dean for Research</b>                                                                 | <p>The Center for Scientific Review has just posted the following videos on YouTube.</p> <p><b>NIH Peer Review Briefing for Basic Research Applicants and Reviewers:</b><br/><a href="http://cp.mcafee.com/d/FzS83qA76m7D1M1Utd4TsScMyU1UqghO-Vrghohs7nKqemjaqb2bxEvq7b1EVqE1TKUqer1FCzBAS8X06P_A6TqJN1K1JAWmXQ6PsvJAWmXQ6PbUadsYQsL7zD6764_LsKCC2mV6Z7M1yH6QaAJT2_13FWApmUQCOPpx_K8K8BV55BeXNKV1DeqR4IMFNHsSOTY1xzpS9A59Rw5st504x84E66FD9QdQ7RER1UahU02gpkYr1wq5Ph05L_9Ew1vCpuo4d1C17REq83SD4m54KVC5mjr1C1K2h">http://cp.mcafee.com/d/FzS83qA76m7D1M1Utd4TsScMyU1UqghO-Vrghohs7nKqemjaqb2bxEvq7b1EVqE1TKUqer1FCzBAS8X06P_A6TqJN1K1JAWmXQ6PsvJAWmXQ6PbUadsYQsL7zD6764_LsKCC2mV6Z7M1yH6QaAJT2_13FWApmUQCOPpx_K8K8BV55BeXNKV1DeqR4IMFNHsSOTY1xzpS9A59Rw5st504x84E66FD9QdQ7RER1UahU02gpkYr1wq5Ph05L_9Ew1vCpuo4d1C17REq83SD4m54KVC5mjr1C1K2h</a></p> <p><b>8 Ways to Successfully Navigate NIH Peer Review and Get an R01 Grant:</b><br/><a href="http://cp.mcafee.com/d/FzS83qA76m7D1M1Utd4TsScMyU1UqghO-Vrghohs7nKqemjaqb2bxEvq7b1EVqE1TKUqer1FCzBAS8X06P_A6TqJN1K1JAWmXQ6PsvJAWmXQ6PbUadsYQsL7zD6764_LsKCC2mV6Z7M1yH6QaAJT2_13FWApmUQCOPpx_K8K8BV55BeXNKV1DeqR4IMFNHsSOTY1xzpS9A59Rw5st504x84E66FD9QdQ7RER1UahU02gpkYr1wq5Ph05L_9Ew1vCpuo4d1C17REq83SD4m54KVC5mjr1C1K2h">http://cp.mcafee.com/d/FzS83qA76m7D1M1Utd4TsScMyU1UqghO-Vrghohs7nKqemjaqb2bxEvq7b1EVqE1TKUqer1FCzBAS8X06P_A6TqJN1K1JAWmXQ6PsvJAWmXQ6PbUadsYQsL7zD6764_LsKCC2mV6Z7M1yH6QaAJT2_13FWApmUQCOPpx_K8K8BV55BeXNKV1DeqR4IMFNHsSOTY1xzpS9A59Rw5st504x84E66FD9QdQ7RER1UahU02gpkYr1wq5Ph05L_9Ew1vCpuo4d1C17REq83SD4m54KVC5mjr1C1K2h</a></p> <p>This briefing covers the key things applicants need to know about the submission and review of their fellowship applications. More Peer Review videos for applicants are available at:<br/><a href="http://www.csr.nih.gov/video/video.asp">http://www.csr.nih.gov/video/video.asp</a></p> <p>or, if your browser has difficulties with that url:</p>                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| <p>15<sup>th</sup> Biennial Meeting of the Diabetes in Pregnancy Study Group of North America</p>                | <p><a href="https://public.csr.nih.gov/aboutcsr/contactcsr/pages/contactorsitescsrpages/nih-grant-review-process-youtube-videos.aspx">https://public.csr.nih.gov/aboutcsr/contactcsr/pages/contactorsitescsrpages/nih-grant-review-process-youtube-videos.aspx</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <h2>Healthcare Education Scholarship program</h2>                                                                | <p>Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center has developed a new concept for institution-wide faculty development. It's called <i>Aspire!</i>. This name was selected because it connotes a positive and forward movement toward a desired destination. <i>Aspire!</i> will be directed toward those who aspire to be innovative...who aspire to be exceptional...and who desire to BE at TTUHSC.</p> <p>A new TTUHSC faculty-development initiative is the Healthcare Education Scholarship program. The majority of faculty in health professions' education lacks formal training in education or education management. Yet, the current climate of a rapidly changing educational environment along with the requirements to meet continually evolving accreditation standards requires formally trained educational leaders. The leadership of TTUHSC recognizes this need and has created a program which will fund selected TTUHSC faculty to matriculate through a Master in Health Professions Education (MHPE) or Master in Education for Health Professionals (MEHP) program of their choosing.</p> <p>The goal of this program is to decrease the economic burden of seeking an advanced degree in education while producing educational leaders in the health professions who can manage change within their fields, overcome organizational barriers, and effectively direct the future of healthcare delivery systems.</p> <p>Please refer to the policy/procedure &lt;<a href="http://www.ttuhsc.edu/facultydevelopment/documents/Policy.pdf">http://www.ttuhsc.edu/facultydevelopment/documents/Policy.pdf</a>&gt; link for additional information, including Faculty Eligibility, Faculty Responsibilities, Institutional and Program Requirements, and Approval Process. In addition, the application form &lt;<a href="http://www.ttuhsc.edu/facultydevelopment/documents/Application.pdf">http://www.ttuhsc.edu/facultydevelopment/documents/Application.pdf</a>&gt; link is available to apply for the Healthcare Education Scholarship.</p> <p>Please don't hesitate to contact Dr. Rial Rolfe, Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs at <a href="mailto:rial.rolfe@ttuhsc.edu">rial.rolfe@ttuhsc.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:rial.rolfe@ttuhsc.edu">rial.rolfe@ttuhsc.edu</a>, if you have questions or need additional information about this faculty development opportunity.</p> |
|  <h2>Funding Opportunities</h2> | <p><b>Public Funding Opportunities</b><br/> Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part F Dental Reimbursement Program: HRSA-17-041<br/> <a href="http://dshs.texas.gov/frc/al20-1-4.aspx#1">http://dshs.texas.gov/frc/al20-1-4.aspx#1</a></p> <p><b>Private Funding Opportunities</b><br/> Mary Kay Foundation Accepting Applications for Domestic Violence Shelter Grant Program<br/> <a href="http://dshs.texas.gov/frc/al20-1-4.aspx#2">http://dshs.texas.gov/frc/al20-1-4.aspx#2</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <h2>Online</h2>                                                                                                  | <p>Visit TTUHSC at the Permian Basin Research's webpage at: <a href="http://www.ttuhsc.edu/odessa/research/default.aspx">http://www.ttuhsc.edu/odessa/research/default.aspx</a><br/> And like us on Facebook, visit the page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Texas-Tech-University-Health-Science-Center-in-the-Permian-Basin-Research-1612649318999433/">https://www.facebook.com/Texas-Tech-University-Health-Science-Center-in-the-Permian-Basin-Research-1612649318999433/</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                               | <p>For questions or to submit an item for the research newsletter contact:<br/> Dr. Natalia Schlabritz-Lutsevich, Associate Regional Dean of Research at <a href="mailto:natalia.schlalritz-lutsevich@ttuhsc.edu">natalia.schlalritz-lutsevich@ttuhsc.edu</a> or Melissa Waggoner, Senior Editor at <a href="mailto:melissa.waggoner@ttuhsc.edu">melissa.waggoner@ttuhsc.edu</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

