



Weekly Research Newsletter

June 6, 2017

Congratulations!

Congratulations to those who were recognized at the Faculty Appreciation event.

Dr. Natalia Schlabritz-Lutsevich received the Dean's Douglas Stocco Scholarship/Research Award,

Dr. Lavi Oud received Regional Dean Research award

Drs. Lavi Oud, Natalia Schlabritz-Lutsevich, Craig Spellman, Vani Selvan Arpita Vyas, as well as Mr. Travis Real, Mr. Erik Wilkinson, and Ms. Melissa Waggoner received recognition for instructing the Faculty Development Course for Research.

The faculty who completed the recent Faculty Development Course for Research were also recognized:

Drs. Kalpana Bhairavarasu, Shelly Blancett, Tom Goforth, Sissy Hinojos, Shailesh "Bobby" Jain, Bhargavi Kola, James Maher, Martin Ortega, Vebhave Pal, and Debbie Smith.





July 2017 Regional Dean's Publication Awards

Did we miss your
recent publication?

Please, let us know.

Below is a list of the publications for the **July 2017** Dean's Publication Awards. If you have a paper that has a publication date between January 2017 and June 2017 that is not listed below, please send that information to Melissa.waggoner@truhsc.edu.

Gowda D, Joseph S. Thyroglossal Cyst. Clin Pediatr (Phila). 2017 Jan 1:9922816687330. DOI: 10.1177/0009922816687330.

Gowda D, Owens C. Pyogenic Granuloma in an Unusual Site. Global Pediatric Health. 2017 March 8 (Accepted for publication). Volume 3: 2017:1-2. DOI: 10.1177/2333794X17704607.

Joseph N, Angelis D, Bennett R, Kola B, Hughes A. Variability in Clinical Presentation of Neonatal Stroke: Report of Four Cases. Case Reports in Neurological Medicine. 2017; 2017:524686. DOI: 10.1155/2017/5215686. Epub 2017 Jan 17.

Ventolini G, Khandelwal N, Hutton K, Lugo J, Gyax SE, Schlalritz-Loutsevitch N. Obesity and recurrent vulvovaginal bacterial infections in women in reproductive age. Postgrad Med J. 2017 Jan 5. DOI: 10.1136/postgradmedj-2016-134638.

Vera-Aguilera J, Perez-Torres A, Beltran D, Villanueva-Ramos C, Wachtel M, Moreno-aguilera E, Vera-Aguilera C, **Ventolini G**, Martinez-Zaquilan R, Sernoune SR. Novel treatment of melanoma: Combined parasite-derived peptide GK-1 and anti-programmed death ligand 1 therapy. Cancer Biother Radiopharm. 2017 Mar; 32(2): 49-56. DOI: 10.1089/cbr.2016.2123

Oud L. Epidemiology of Pregnancy-Associated ICU Utilization in Texas: 2001-2010. J Clin Med Res. 2017 Feb;9(2): 143-153. DOI: 10.14740/jocmr2854w.

Oud L. Predictors of Transition to Hospice Care Among Hospitalized Older Adults with a Diagnosis of Dementia in Texas: A Population-Based Study. J Clin Med Res. 2017 Jan;9(1): 23.29.

Oud L. Research on Gun Violence vs Other Causes of Death. JAMA 2017 Apr 4; 317(13): 1378-1379. DOI: 10.1001/jama.2017.2428. (Letter)

X Pundole, HI Cheema, GS Petitto, MA Lopez-Olivo, ME Suarez-Almazor and H Lu. Prevention and treatment of bone loss and fractures in patients undergoing a hematopoietic stem cell transplant: A systematic review and meta-analysis. Bone Marrow Transplantation. Advance online publication. 23 January 2017; DOI: 10.1038/bmt.2016.312.

Umer Malik, Hira Cheema, Ramacharitha Kandikatla, Yasir Ahmed, Kalyan Chakralla. Disseminated Coccidioidomycosis presenting as carcinomatosis peritonei and intestinal coccidioidomycosis in a patient with HIV. Case Reports in Gastroenterology. DOI: 10.1159/000456655.

Hakim C, Padmanabhan V, **Vyas AK.** Gestational Hyperandrogenism in Developmental Programming. Endocrinology. 2017 Feb 1;158(2): 199-212. DOI: 10.1210/en.2016.1801.

2017 Advancing Regional Health in Rural West Texas Symposium June 23, 2017

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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE

This symposium is designed for obstetricians, gynecologists, family and general practice physicians, resident physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and other interested health professionals. This symposium aims to increase practitioner knowledge, competence, and skills in clinical diagnosis, treatment options, and new technologies in obstetrics and gynecology.

OBJECTIVES

Following the conference, the participant should be able to:

- Describe the risk factors and diagnostic criteria for placenta accrete
- Explain the surgical treatment options for placenta accrete
- Analyze the biological role of the telomerase in carcinogenesis
- Recognize new advances in medicine related to gynecological cancer
- Identify locations and strategies to assess a hospital's current performance
- Provide an overview of the ethical principles that influence the practice of medicine and nursing
- Explore the impact of ethics on practice case presentations

CME ACCREDITATION AND DESIGNATION

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso Paul L. Foster School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso Paul L. Foster School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 6 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This activity provides 3 CME credit toward the annual requirement of the Texas Medical Board for continuing medical education credit in medical ethics or professional responsibility.

NURSE ACCREDITATION CREDIT

University Medical Center of El Paso is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association, an accredited provider by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

This activity provides up to 6 contact hours for successful completion of this education activity.

SCHEDULE: FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2017

7:00 AM – 7:30 AM	Breakfast and Registration	
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Shawna T. Dwyer, M.D.
8:30 AM – 9:45 AM	Reproductive System: New Paradigms in the Management of Placenta Accrete	Jesse D. Wright, M.D.
9:45 AM – 10:30 AM	Placenta Accrete and Related Conditions: Concomitant to Addressable Along the Texas Medical Center	Joanna Khan, D.O.
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Break	
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Gynecologic Subspecialty	Jesse D. Wright, M.D.
12:00 PM – 12:15 PM	Lunch	
12:15 PM – 12:30 PM	Language Barrier Between Physicians and Patients	Rebecca M. Wells, M.D.
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	21st Century Obstetrical Case: Care in the Bedside	Hilary L. Wells, M.D.
1:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Prenatal Age and the Risk of Chromosomal Abnormalities and Preeclampsia	Christopher Dwyer, D.O.
1:15 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch	
1:30 PM – 1:45 PM	Patient Blood Management in Obstetric Emergencies	David L. Latham, M.D.
1:45 PM – 2:00 PM	Incidence of Chromosomal Abnormalities at a Large Teaching Hospital on the Texas Medical Center	Christopher Dwyer, D.O.
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	Postpartum Hemorrhage Management: Lessons Learned During the Adoption of a System of Best Practices	William M. Lohmeyer, M.D.
2:15 PM – 2:30 PM	Lab Tests and Equipment in the Obstetrical Incidence of Maternal and Fetal Complications After Epidural Anesthesia: Reviewing International	Rebecca M. Wells, M.D.
2:30 PM – 2:45 PM	Break	
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Ethics Panel: Navigating the Code of Ethics	Yvonne Amato, R.N., C.D.
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM	Lecture in Practice	William M. Lohmeyer, M.D.
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	Closing Remarks/Announcements	Shawna T. Dwyer, M.D.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso Paul L. Foster School of Medicine reserves the right to cancel this symposium or make speaker substitutions in the event of unforeseen or extenuating circumstances.

Conference dinner is business casual. Attendees are encouraged to bring a sweater or jacket for use during the evening. The registration fee includes lunch and snacks. Persons with disabilities who need auxiliary aids or services must submit a written request to Cynthia Dwyer at cynthia.dwyer@ttuhsc.edu so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Submit the registration form online or by phone, fax, email, or mail.

Online: www.tttuhsc.edu/registration
Phone: 915-215-4822
Fax: 915-215-4478
Email: registration@ttuhsc.edu
Mail: CME Office, 5003 El Paso Drive, El Paso, Texas 79905

All cancellations must be made in writing and received on or before June 1. A \$25 processing fee will be charged. No refunds will be made after June 1. Registration forms for this conference must be received by noon June 7. Registration forms will be accepted at the site; however, an additional \$25 work fee will be assessed.

REGISTRATION

Please complete and submit this registration form to registration@ttuhsc.edu

Last Name First Name MI

Credentials Specialty/Professional Title

Telephone Email Address

Business Address

City/State/Zip Code

Please check the category that best corresponds:

☐ Physician \$100
☐ PhD, Registered Nurse, or Allied Health Professional \$100
☐ Resident \$50
☐ Student or Other \$25

If you are registering online and need assistance, please call Yvonne Amato at 915-215-4822.
If paying by credit card, please call 915-215-4822.
If paying by check, make payable to TTUHSC El Paso CME.



Important notice from SoCRA

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has released two important related items.

The first is the Final NIH-FDA Clinical Trial Template for Phase 2 and 3 IND/IDE Studies. The template aims to assist NIH-funded investigators in preparing clinical trial documents efficiently so that both IRBs and the FDA can perform speedy reviews.

NIH has also released a web-based platform where investigators can utilize the protocol template in an interactive fashion. The Electronic Protocol Writing Tool allows for a collaborative approach to writing and reviewing protocols. Investigators will be able to use the tool to form a “protocol writing team” and assign different individuals with writing and reviewing roles.

All of the above resources can be found on the NIH Office of Science Policy website: <http://osp.od.nih.gov/office-clinical-research-and-bioethics-policy/clinical-research-policy/clinical-trials>

Information about identifying predatory journals

The blacklist is dead; long live the blacklist

A new [watchlist of ‘predatory’ journals and untrustworthy publishers](#) is set to launch later this month — but only for those willing to pay. The service could fill a gap left by Beall’s List, a popular blog run by academic Jeffrey Beall that listed potentially predatory journals, which was [shut down suddenly](#) five months ago.

[Nature](#) | 3 min read

There is a list of Open Access/Predatory Publishers/Questionable Conferences is available from the CalTech Library at <http://libguides.caltech.edu/c.php?g=512665&p=3503029>



Funding Opportunity



The American Heart Association's scientific councils offer a variety of award opportunities to those interested in attending the AHA's Scientific Sessions.

Scientific Sessions 2017 will be held November 11-15, 2017, in **Anaheim, California**. Council awards and travel grants recognize the achievements of researchers, scientists, clinicians, nurses and allied health professionals throughout their careers and can provide funding assistance to those who will be attending our conferences and presenting research. We invite you to apply or make a nomination for one of our numerous awards associated with Scientific Sessions!

Award Application Window:

Now through Monday, June 12, 2017

Please note there will be no extensions offered in 2017

Early Career Investigator Awards: Plaque, Photo, Inclusion in Connections Newsletter & Up to \$1500

Early Career Investigator Awards recognize promising and outstanding trainees, investigators and clinicians in the early stages of their careers and stimulate continued interest in basic or clinical research. Councils giving awards for Scientific Sessions 2017 include ATVB, BCVS, 3CPR, CVSN, CVDY, CVRI, CVSA, CLCD, EPI, FGTB, Lifestyle, PVD and Stroke.

Career Achievement: Plaque, Photo, Inclusion in Connections Newsletter & Up to \$1500 plus Travel Expenses

These awards recognize individuals for specific career endeavors and achievements that made a significant impact on the field of cardiovascular diseases and stroke, and helped further the mission of the scientific councils and the AHA/ASA.

Travel Stipends: Certificate, Photo, Inclusion in Connections Newsletter & Up to \$1000

These stipends help defray travel costs for early career investigators, trainees and students to participate in the AHA Scientific Sessions.

Please visit the [Scientific Council web sites](#) for complete award criteria, deadlines, and application or nomination instructions.

Note: Professional Membership of the AHA and the Sponsoring Council is REQUIRED at the time of application for all applicants and applicant sponsors for Early Career Investigator Awards and most Travel Stipends. Those needing to join or renew their membership should do so by **Tuesday, May 30** for the membership number to be processed in time for inclusion on the award application. **Join Today!**

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Early Career Travel Award Program

Are you an ECR? If you are presenting your research at a conference in 2017 you may be eligible for PLOS' [ECR Travel Awards program](#). Share your thoughts on science communication and you could be one of ten winners who will receive \$500 to be used toward conference travel.

Eligibility

Winners must meet all of the following criteria:

- Present at a conference between April 1 and December 31, 2017
- Listed as an author on a PLOS journal article with a publication date on or before the date application is submitted
- Be currently enrolled in a graduate program, or have a graduate degree within the last 5 years of the application deadline.

For more information, please visit: https://www.plos.org/ecr-travel-awards?utm_source=plos&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=plos-1704-ecrtap

Survey from First 5 Permian Basin - UTPB

Title V Maternal and Child Health at the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is currently conducting a survey of families that have a child with special health care needs. This assessment will help guide the agency's activities to improve the health of Texas families.

DSHS is seeking input from ANY Texas family who has a child or young adult with special health care needs. Survey participation is voluntary and anonymous, and the survey should take only 15 minutes to complete.

The survey is available in English and Spanish:

English: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CYSHCN2017>

Spanish: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CYSHCN2017sp>

Please share with everyone in your network. The goal is to reach as many Texas families as possible so the agency has a realistic picture of the needs and strengths of families with children with special health care needs around the state.

The survey will be open until August 31, 2017. If you have questions or need assistance with this survey, please contact PHSUContractors@dshs.texas.gov.

Thank you for your support, outreach, and input.

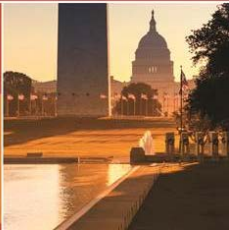


Special Issue

Submit your research to an upcoming special issue

The Gerontological Society of America's *The Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences* is currently accepting submissions for two upcoming special issues. Consider submitting your research on the topics below:

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	 Rural Health at the Crossroads JUNE 21-23 AMARILLO, TX MANAGING CHALLENGES & DISPARITIES IN RURAL HEALTH REGISTER TODAY! The 2017 Rural Health at the Crossroads conference in Amarillo, TX will bring together health care professionals from across Texas and Louisiana to learn and network. This year's conference will focus on ways to manage challenges and disparities in rural health, including telehealth and community health workers. ✓ Four pre-conference workshops ✓ CEUs for CHW instructors and CHWs ✓ CEUs for mental health professionals ✓ CNEs for nurses, including Ethics ✓ Legislative updates for Texas and Louisiana ✓ Poster presentations and awards luncheon Register online before June 1, 2017 to receive the Early Bird discount. Visit our conference web site for more information and updates: www.CrossroadsConference.us   
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15th Biennial Meeting of the Diabetes in Pregnancy Study Group of North America	

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