

Nephrology Division Newsletter

January – February 2010



Announcements

- ❖ **Dr. Vanessa Grubbs** has joined the faculty at SFGH. Vanessa graduated from our fellowship program in 2009. Her research is funded by a NIDDK Diversity Supplement under **Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD** in the SFGH Division of General Internal Medicine and focuses on CKD development and progression.
- ❖ **Dr. Pedram Fatehi** has joined the faculty on a part time basis. He will be attending in the Nephrology and Hypertension Faculty Practice at Parnassus. Pedram completed his internal medicine residency and renal fellowship at Columbia in New York. He was a critical care fellow at UCSF from 2008-2009.
- ❖ Starting January 1, 2010, **Dr. Lowell Lo** has assumed the position of Ambulatory Practice Chief, Nephrology/Hypertension Faculty Practice at UCSF. Lowell had been Assistant Ambulatory Practice Chief from July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009.
- ❖ **Cherie Habayeb** and **Megan Tom** have joined our staff. Cherie is replacing Marienna Murch as Research Services Analyst and Megan is replacing Julia Lu to administratively support Dr. Alan Verkman's lab. Please welcome Cherie and Megan.



Fellowship Program

- ❖ The fellowship interview season has begun! We will be interviewing fellows for the 2010 academic year on February 8, February 22, March 8, March 22 and April 12, 2010.
- ❖ **Drs. Ruth Dubin** and **Kirsten Johansen** received another intramural award from the UCSF Academic Senate Resource Allocation and Evaluation Committee (REAC)(in the "Pilot Research" category) for their collaborative project titled "Cardiac Ischemia in Dialysis Patients: A Pilot Study."
- ❖ **Dr. Delphine Tuot** was selected to receive an American Kidney Fund Clinical Scientist in Nephrology fellowship from 2010-2012. Her primary mentor is **Dr. Neil Powe**, Chief of Medical Services at SFGH.



Accomplishments and Awards

- ❖ Congratulations to **Dr. David Pearce** who was recently awarded a NIH R01 grant titled "GLTZ regulation of ENaC."
- ❖ Congratulations to **Dr. David Lovett** who was recently awarded a VA Merit Review grant titled "Mitochondrial Matrix Metalloproteinase-2 and cardiac injury."
- ❖ **Kathleen Liu, MD, PhD** will again be the Acute Kidney Injury speaker for Renal WeekEnds 2010 (Dallas in February and Los Angeles in March).

Congratulations to all of our award-winning faculty, fellows and staff.