Nephrology Division Newsletter March - April 2010



Announcements

- Dr. Kirsten Johansen is Chair of the Program Committee for the National Kidney Foundation 2010 Spring Clinical Meetings which is being held April 13-17 in Orlando, FL. Dr. Kathleen Liu is a member of the Program Committee and invited faculty members include Drs. Michael Shlipak and Lynda Frassetto.
- The UCSF School of Medicine Renal Block has successfully concluded for another year. We would like to thank the efforts of **Dr. Ramin Sam** who has assumed the role of course co-director.
- Dr. Zoltan Laszik, one of the renal pathologist at UCSF with whom we work closely, is co-editor of the textbook "Silva's Diagnostic Renal Pathology" which was recently published. His colleague, Dr. Jean Olson, is co-editor of "Heptinstall's Pathology of the Kidney," now in its sixth edition.
- Dr. Anitha Toke had an invited editorial in the journal Gastrointestinal Endoscopy titled: "GI bleeding risk in patients undergoing dialysis" Gastrointest Endosc. 2010 Jan;71(1):50-2.
- Drs. Kerry Cho and Chi-yuan Hsu have been invited by UpToDate to become coauthors on the topic "Evaluation of hematuria in adults."



Fellowship Program

• We have finished interviewing all the renal fellowship applicants for this year's cycle. Thanks to all the fellows and faculty members who participated.



Accomplishments and Awards

- Dr. William Amend was recently honored as a "Champion of Hope" by the National Kidney Foundation of Northern California, Northern Navada, Oregon, Washington and Alaska. Dr. Amend was on the UCSF faculty for several decades, where he was the senior transplant nephrologist. He also served as interim Chief of the Nephrology Division from 1998-2003.
- Dr. Andy Choi was recently awarded an R03 (AG034871) from the NIH titled "Kidney disease, antiretroviral therapy and cardiovascular events in HIV-infection."

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