

# Nephrology Division Newsletter

## May - June 2012



### **Announcements**

- ❖ The FDA announced in April that it had chosen a UCSF-led effort to create an **implantable artificial kidney** as one of the first projects to undergo more timely and collaborative review under a new pilot regulatory approval program called Innovation Pathway 2.0. The project is led by Shuvo Roy, PhD, a bioengineer based at Mission Bay. Target date for clinical trials is 2017.  
(<http://www.ucsf.edu/news/2012/04/11836/ucsf-artificial-kidney-project-tapped-accelerated-fda-program>)
- ❖ UCSF Nephrology participated as the **UCSF Beans** in the San Francisco NKF Kidney Walk on May 6, 2012. We were named one of the top teams for numbers who showed up to the walk as well as for fundraising.
- ❖ UCSF was represented by **Drs. Kirsten Johansen, Kathleen Liu and Michael Shlipak** who were invited speakers at the National Kidney Foundation Spring meeting held in Washington, DC.
- ❖ **Kathleen Liu, MD, PhD** gave the 17th annual Annette Fitz Memorial Fellowship lecture at the University of Iowa early in May. She spoke on fluid management in critically ill patients with AKI at a special session of their Nephrology Grand Rounds.



### **Fellowship Program**

- ❖ **Kajal Rao, MD** is the lead author of an abstract titled "Lupus nephritis histopathology interobserver agreement between local pathologists and an expert panel of nephropathologists in BELONG" which has been accepted for an oral presentation at the 2012 European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR) meeting in Berlin.
- ❖ **Anna Malkina, MD**, one of the incoming renal fellow and currently a third-year UCSF medicine resident, was awarded the Clinical Science Research Award for a poster she presented at the Floyd Rector Resident Research Symposium. Her mentor on this project is **Dr. Carmen Peralta**. Anna had a chance to meet Dr. Floyd Rector who was formerly Chief of the Division of Nephrology and then Chair of the Department Medicine at UCSF (<http://nephrology.ucsf.edu/about/hist-rector.html>).



### **Accomplishments and Awards**

- ❖ The 11th Annual UCSF Medical Center Honors and Awards Celebration Friday, May 4 recognized **Kerry Cho, MD** with an Exceptional Physician Award.

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