

# Nephrology Division Newsletter

## July – August 2015



### **Announcements**

- ❖ **Bradley Gano** started August 17<sup>th</sup> 2015 as our new permanent Division Manager. He comes to us from Stanford where, among other positions, he was the Division Manager for Clinical Anatomy and subsequently Division Manager for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. We want welcome him and we want to thank **Kelly McNeill** for helping us during the interim.
- ❖ **Julie Ishida, MD** has joined the faculty at San Francisco VA Medical Center as an Assistant Professor. She is supported by a K23.
- ❖ **Kirsten Johansen, MD** was recently invited to speak at the Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Dialysis Therapy in Yokohama, Japan (<http://www2.convention.co.jp/60jsdt/en/program/index.html>)
- ❖ The new established **UCSF PKD Center of Excellence** (<http://pkd.ucsf.edu/>), under the direction of Dr. Meyeon Park, has received a donation pledge of \$500,000.



### **Fellowship Program**

- ❖ **Steven Kim, MD** was featured on LabTV regarding his work on the bioartificial kidney project (<http://www.labtv.com/Home/Profile?researcherId=1434>).



### **Accomplishments and Awards**

- ❖ **Mitch Lunn, MD** is the principal investigator for a patient-powered research network application "PRIDENet: A Participant-Powered Research Network of Sexual and Gender Minorities" (3-year budget \$1.68 million) which has recently been approved for funding by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) (<http://www.pcori.org/research-results/2015/pridenet-participant-powered-research-network-sexual-and-gender-minorities> ).
- ❖ **Dr. Carmen Peralta's** paper "Systolic and diastolic blood pressure, incident cardiovascular events, and death in elderly persons" was selected by the editors as one of the top five papers published in 2014 in Hypertension (the highest impact factor journal in the field of hypertension) (<http://hyper.ahajournals.org/site/misc/TopPapers.xhtml>)
- ❖ **Dr. Meyeon Park** was awarded a 2015 Clinical Scientist Development Award from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation to support her work, "Improving cardiovascular risk stratification in kidney transplant recipients" (<http://www.ddcf.org/Global/MedicalResearch/2015%20CSDA/CSDA%202015%20Press%20Release.pdf>).

- ❖ According to the latest US News and World Report rankings which were appeared online July 2015, **UCSF Nephrology** ranked #4, the best among all medical centers in the western U.S. For the second year in a row, no other subspecialty at UCSF ranked higher than Nephrology ([http://www.ucsf.edu/news/2015/07/131026/ucsf-medical-center-ranked-8th-best-hospital-nation?utm\\_source=chancellor&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=usnews](http://www.ucsf.edu/news/2015/07/131026/ucsf-medical-center-ranked-8th-best-hospital-nation?utm_source=chancellor&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=usnews)). Earlier this year, **UCSF pediatric nephrology** was recognized as being among the top 10 programs nationwide (<https://www.ucsf.edu/news/2015/06/130426/ucsf-benioff-children%E2%80%99s-hospitals-ranked-among-nation%E2%80%99s-premier-hospitals>).

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