Lincoln Krochmal, MD, visited the Dermatology Department on October 16, 2009, as invited speaker at the fall Gunn Lectureship. He earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin. He completed his residency here at University of Missouri Dermatology in 1977. He currently serves as the President and Chief Executive Officer at Excaliard Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a late stage preclinical company developing targeted therapeutics for the treatment of dermatological disorders, located in Carlsbad, California. He brings a diverse international experience in pharmaceutical, OTC, consumer health, and consumer packaged goods markets. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology, a Diplomat of the American Board of Dermatology, a member of the International Society of Dermatology and the Dermatology Foundation. During his visit he will delivered two presentations: “Impact of Seasonality on Clinical Trials,” and “Dermatologists in Industry”. These presentations were followed by discussion time with faculty and residents in the Dermatology Department.

Nick Golda, MD, has joined MU Dermatology as a part-time faculty member for 2009-2010 while he is completing his Mohs fellowship in St. Louis with Dr. George Hruza. Next July, 2010, he will transition to full-time faculty in our Dermatological Surgery Clinic and will work with veteran Mohs surgeon Ron Wheeland, MD. Nick completed his dermatology residency in June 2009.
2009 MO DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING HELD IN KC
The Missouri Dermatological Society’s Annual Meeting was held in Kansas City at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center, October 9 & 10, 2009. Guest speakers included William Abramovitz, MD, Doug Grossman, MD/PhD, Darrell Rigell, MD, Christopher Harmon, MD, and Kevin Pinski, MD. Topics included melanoma detection and prevention strategies, atopic dermatitis therapies, updates about the use of fillers and botox, multimodal treatments for acne scars, and approaches to nasal tip reconstruction.

SKIN CANCER SCREENING HELD AT MISSOURI STATE FAIR
The Dermatology Department performs free skin cancer screening each year at the Missouri State Fair. This year we attended on “Farmers’ Day”, Monday August 17. During the day long event, we screened 131 people. Of these, 22 were recommended for dermatological follow-up, and 10 were recommended to have biopsies performed for suspected basal cell, squamous cell cancer, or melanoma. Members of our department also attended on August 20 which was “Legislative Day” in order to present information about the dangers of tanning bed use as well as other sun safety and skin cancer information.

RESIDENTS PRESENT AT NATIONAL MEETINGS
Jeff Graves, R2, presented a poster entitled “Multifocal Lymphangioendotheliomatosis with Thrombocytopenia: a Case Demonstrating Extramedullary Hematopoiesis and Review of the Literature” at the American Society for Dermatological Pathology in Chicago in early October. Holly Hare, Chief Resident, presented the poster “Myxoid Pleomorphic Fibroma of the Skin” at the same meeting. Kari Martin, R2, presented a male breast cancer case at Zola Cooper in Albuquerque, NM, on Oct 10, 2009.

RESIDENTS PLAN FOR FELLOWSHIPS
Holly Hare, Chief Resident, has had several interviews for a one-year Mohs fellowship from 2010-2011. She expects to hear some good news by the end of November. Jeff Graves, R2, will be doing a one year Dermatopathology fellowship with Dirk Elston, MD, and Tammie Ferringer, MD at Geisinger in Danville, Pa.

WELCOME TO NEW FIRST YEARS
Sonya Jagwani, MD, graduated from the St. Louis University School of Medicine in St. Louis, MO. Her hometown is Jackson, Mississippi. A favorite hobby is traveling. Her primary professional interest currently is public education/skin cancer awareness. She is a co-founder of the SPOTS skin cancer education program (see next page about clinical projects).

Whitney Hovenic, MD, graduated from the University of Nevada School of Medicine in Reno, NV. Her hometown is Carmel, CA. She is married to Tom Hovenic who is a hospitalist at Boone Hospital. Her goals in dermatology are to combine her interests of dermatology with public health and international health. Her many hobbies are running, skiing, cooking, and traveling.

Kara Braudis, MD, graduated from the University of Missouri School of Medicine in Columbia, MO. She is a Columbia, MO native. She is married to Scott Braudis. They will be welcoming new brother Jonah for two-year-old Sylar in November. Her dermatology interests are general derm and dermpath. Hobbies include cooking, gardening, reading, and running.

MU DERMATOLOGY AT FARM SAFETY DAY
Farm Safety Day, sponsored by the Missouri Cattlemen’s Association, was held on September 15, 2009, at the MU Livestock Pavilion. Participating for the first time at this venue, staff from MU Dermatology presented information on sun safety and skin cancer prevention to approximately 150 regional Missouri high school adolescents. Lyn Betts, RN in the Mohs Dermatological Surgery Unit, and Louanne Chance, RN, Research Coordinator, presented four consecutive interactive talks during the day-long fair.
NEW PUBLICATIONS by RESIDENTS and FACULTY


SPOTS PROGRAM

Sonya Jagwani, MD, is a co-founder of the SPOTS skin cancer education program. SPOTS stands for Sun Protection Outreach Teaching by Students and it is a teaching program that we developed in Saint Louis in 2006/2007 that has already been integrated into the largest school district in Saint Louis and is part of the medical school curriculum at Saint Louis University School of Medicine and Washington University School of Medicine. We are currently trying to implement into the Columbia school system.

SKIN CANCER AWARENESS IN ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS

Dr. Kari Martin, R2, and Dr. Susan Ailor, are continuing a second phase of a skin cancer awareness study. In this portion of the study, skin cancer demographics and answers to a T-F skin cancer quiz will be administered to approximately 300 college-age athletes here at the University of Missouri. Answers to the quiz are given out as education material following athlete participation. Previous data includes the same information gathered from over 1200 mid-Missouri adults.

JOHN VIATOR, PHD, STUDIES SKIN MECHANICS WITH DERM FOUNDATION GRANT

John Viator, PhD and adjunct professor in dermatology, has been working on a 2008 Program Development Grant from the Dermatology Foundation entitled “Determination of Skin Mechanics using Digital Imaging” that was awarded to Karen Edison, MD, at the University of Missouri. Over the last year, we have successfully built the apparatus needed for mechanically measuring skin elasticity. Preliminary experiments have been conducted on pig skin. We are now ready to conduct in vivo experiments on people from within a wide range of ages, skin types, and sun exposures.

Community Service

The Department of Dermatology purchased a Skin Scope F-102™ ultraviolet light box to take to wellness fairs, skin cancer screenings, etc. This will be used as an educational tool to help people identify their skin damage due to sun exposure. This photo shows a high school student viewing her skin under ultraviolet light.
David Lane (2005) and Whitney Lane (2004) from Charlotte, North Carolina, visited the Derm Department on June 25, 2009. David Lane gave a presentation to the department on High Risk/Aggressive SCCs. They came with daughter Sophie, age 3. Additional news is that they welcomed their second child, daughter Addison, on October 9, 2009.

Clint Brunner (2006) is one of the founding members of the South Dakota Dermatology Society, and currently is serving as Secretary/Treasurer. He published an article in *South Dakota Medicine—The Journal of the South Dakota State Medical Association* entitled "Epidermolysis Bullosa Acquisita in an 18 Year-Old African-American Male: A Case Report". This was in the February 2009 edition, volume 62 (2), pp 50-51.

Jason Reinberg (2008) and family will be visiting the department on October 23, 2009. This visit coincides with the University of Missouri Homecoming weekend.

Jenny Swearingen (2009) who is now a faculty member at Wayne State University in Michigan, presented information on our dermatology Workforce at the Association of Professors of Dermatology meeting in Chicago in September. Dr. Swearingen analyzed data collected from our alumni (1964-present) to determine whether childhood and residency locations were associated with practice location.