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2007 EMPLOYEE OF THE FOURTH QUARTER AND 2007 EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Please join us on **Monday, March 17 at 4pm in MN 263** at the faculty meeting as we will announce the **2007 Employee of the Quarter and 2007 Employee of the Year**.

Come show your support for the department's staff members!!! You will also be able to meet the members of the 2008 Employee of the Quarter Selection Committee.

Dr. Gash would like supervisors to encouraged their staff to attend.

Light refreshments will be served.



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DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES

COPYING POLICY

A **MINIMUM** of **24 hours** is required for all copy requests. Also, be sure to include copying instructions with your request as well as a due date and time.

ABSENCE RECORD POLICY

For **any** absences (**vacation, sick or travel**) all faculty members, staff and students must be sure to complete and absence record. The absence record form may be found at:

<http://www.uky.edu/eForms/forms/absence.pdf>

EQUIPMENT REQUEST POLICY

All requests for unclaimed equipment must be made formally through an email to both Dr. Gash (dongash@email.uky.edu) and Julie Poole (japoole@email.uky.edu). Once approved, please forward Kim Wilkerson (kdwilk1@email.uky.edu) a copy of the approval email and the new room number where the equipment will be housed. This will allow the department to retain accurate inventory records.

SHIPPING POLICIES

Please be sure that **any orders you have shipped** to the department **have your name CLEARLY printed on the shipping label**. This will ensure that packages are not misdirected. Once notified of delivery please retrieve your package as soon as possible.

For **all FedEx** shipments from our department, the package must be **ready for pickup no later than 2:00pm**. **After 2:00pm the shipper will be responsible for taking the package to a FedEx drop box or store location.**

The UK FedEx drop box is located in the basement of the hospital around the corner from the post office. Additional FedEx drop-off locations in Lexington may be found here: http://fedex.com/Dropoff/start?locale=en_US.

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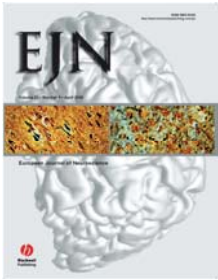
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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- THE FACULTY MEETING WILL BE HELD MONDAY, MARCH 17 AT 4:00PM IN MN 263.
- EMPLOYEE OF THE FOURTH QUARTER 2007 AND EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR 2007 WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE MARCH 17 FACULTY MEETING.

PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLICATIONS



Xiang Gao, Paola Arlotta, Jeffrey D. Macklis, **Jinhui Chen.** (2007) Conditional knock-out of beta-catenin in postnatal-born dentate gyrus granular neurons results in dendritic malformation. *Journal of Neuroscience.* 27(52): 14325-14317.

M. Liu, R. Hunter, Xuan Nguyen, H.C. Kim, **G. Bing.** Microsomal epoxide hydrolase deletion enhances tyrosine hydroxylase phosphorylation in mice following MPTP treatment." *Journal of Neuroscience Research* (accepted).

Liming Luan, Ding Feng, **Yi Ai, Anders Andersen,** Peter Hardy, **Eric Forman, Greg A. Gerhardt, Don M. Gash, Richard Grondin** and **Zhiming Zhang.** Pharmacological MRI (phMRI) Monitoring of Treatment in Hemiparkinsonian Rhesus Monkeys. *Journal of Cell Transplantation* (accepted).

Gash DM, Rutland K, Hudson NL, **Sullivan PG, Bing G, Cass WA, Pandya JD, Liu M, Choi DY, Hunter RL, Gerhardt GA,** Smith CD, Slevin JT, Prince TS. Trichloroethylene: Parkinsonism and complex 1 mitochondrial neurotoxicity. *Ann Neurol.* 2008 Feb;63(2):184-92.

Kaas JH, Qi HX, Burish MJ, Gharbawie OA, **Onifer SM,** Massey JM. Cortical and subcortical plasticity in the brains of humans, primates, and rats after damage to sensory afferents in the dorsal columns of the spinal cord. *Exp Neurol.* 2008 Feb;209(2):407-16.

FOR EACH PETAL ON THE SHAMROCK THIS BRINGS A WISH YOUR WAY—GOOD HEALTH, GOOD LUCK, AND HAPPINESS FOR TODAY AND EVERY DAY.
~ AUTHOR UNKNOWN ~

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to **Theresa Currier Thomas** who successfully defended her doctoral thesis on Thursday, February 21, 2008. We wish you the best of luck, **Dr. Currier Thomas!!**



Jonathan Clark, from Dr. Jane Joseph's lab, won 1st place at THE FIRST ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON COGNITIVE SCIENCE on Saturday, February 16, 2008 for best graduate student abstract and poster: "Developmental Functional Connectivity of Manufactured Objects in the Adult Face-Processing Network." Jonathan D. Clark, Olga Dekhtyar, Xun Liu, Christine R. Corbly, Ramesh Bhatt, and Jane E. Joseph.

Congratulations to **Valeriya Adjan** for 5 years as a dedicated University of Kentucky employee.



PRESENTATIONS

Drs. Edward Hall, Jonathan Lifshitz and Patrick Sullivan participated in the NIH sponsored WORKSHOP ON COMBINATION THERAPIES FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY, February 27-28, 2008. Dr. Hall spoke on the historical perspective of clinical trials in TBI and the pharmacokinetic and drug/drug interaction considerations. Dr. Sullivan served on a panel discussing the Mechanisms and Targets for Neuroprotection in TBI. Together, they helped shape the priorities and strategies for testing combination therapies in pre-clinical animal models.

Nathan Johnson, from Dr. Jane Joseph's lab, presented "Novelty and Adaptation Associated Regions in the Naive Non-Human Primate: An fMRI Study" at the FIRST ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON COGNITIVE SCIENCE, Saturday, February 16, 2008.

SCHEDULED SPRING 2008 DEFENSE SEMINARS:

- **Lamin Mbye**
Monday, March 24
MN 563
- **Yiqin Xiong**
Tuesday, March 26
MN 363
- **Laurie Davis**
Thursday, April 10
CTW 411

DEPARTMENTAL BIRTHDAYS



March



Dr. Hans Büeler ~ 3/6

Aashish Joshi ~ 3/26

Bin Xing ~ 3/7

Sue Bizzarro ~ 3/28

Robin Lindsay ~ 3/10

Zhen Huang ~ 3/28

Dave Peck ~ 3/18

Chris Calulot ~ 3/29

Dr. Heather Collins ~ 3/25

Lamin Mbye ~ 3/30

James Hester ~ 3/26

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

**THE EMPLOYEE OF THE
QUARTER**



**COMMITTEE
NEEDS YOUR
NOMINATIONS!!**



**Please submit
your nominations**

to either

Melissa Jones or Joey Rose

melissa.jones@uky.edu

or

joey@uky.edu

**ANNOUNCING
THE**

**2008 EMPLOYEE
OF THE
QUARTER COMMITTEE**

We would like to thank the following volunteers:

Administrative Staff

Melissa Jones

Joey Rose

Laboratory Staff

Lisa Boock

Sue Bizzarro

Graduate Students

Laurie Davis

Nathan Johnson

Faculty

Dr. Richard Grondin

Dr. Lothar Jennes

The nomination form is located on the next page.

Employee of the Quarter Nomination Form

The Quarterly Employee Awards are will be announced in May (for nominations submitted January through March); August (April through June); October (July through September) and December (October through December). The Employee of the Year Award will be selected from the winners throughout the year and will be announced the following January.

Please submit nominations to Joey Rose or Melissa Jones ASAP.

When considering someone for the award, think of the individual who has made your job easier or assisted you in performing your job. To complete the nominations please complete the following questions. Use additional paper or the back of this if necessary.

Date: _____ Candidate: _____

Nominator: _____

Is this individual a regular full-time employee in the Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology? _____ Yes _____ No

1. What attributes or actions make this individual worthy of your nomination? Give examples.

2. How is this individual an asset to the Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology? Give examples.

3. How have you seen this individual contribute to the UK and/or greater community? Give examples.

4. With 1 = average and 5 = outstanding, please rank the nominee in the following areas:

Quality of work: 1 2 3 4 5

Attitude toward performing job duties: 1 2 3 4 5

Problem solving skills: 1 2 3 4 5

Willingness to help others: 1 2 3 4 5

Service to the department/university: 1 2 3 4 5

Submit to Melissa Jones in 305 Whitney-Hendrickson Bldg. 0098 Phone: 323-5276

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Please send comments & submissions to Avalon Sandoval at asandl@email.uky.edu or call 859-257-5036.

The Next Deadline is March 24, 2008

AVAILABLE TRAINING

TRAINING FOR THE LABS

The University requires safety training classes to be completed before beginning certain types of work. The requirements apply to all individuals involved in the covered work, including faculty, staff, students, postdoctoral scholars and fellows, visiting researchers and volunteers. To find out what classes you need to take, consult the [Training Checklist](#).

NOTE: Anyone who works with chemicals in a laboratory **must** complete the following three classes: **Chemical Hygiene Plan/Laboratory Safety**, **Hazardous Waste**, and **Fire Extinguisher Use**.

Chemical Hygiene Plan/Lab Safety
This class is available [online](#).

Bloodborne Pathogens This class is available upon request and [online](#).

Hazardous Waste This class is available [online](#).

Initial Radiation Safety: Initial Radiation Safety (~ 15 minutes total) is offered every day at 1:30 pm at the Radiation Safety Office, 102 Animal Pathology Building (other times can be arranged). You must bring two completed forms with you: On-Site Radiation Safety Training Form and Radiation Worker Registration Form, both signed by your Authorized User or unit supervisor. If you have questions, contact Tracy Cayson at 323-6777.

Basic Radiation Safety TBA

Advanced Radiation Safety is only available [online](#).

Fire Extinguisher Use is available [online](#).

NOTE: Online courses can only be taken using a UK computer.

Corporate Compliance training is **MANDATORY** for employees working in the UK hospital or medical center. All HR Temporary Employment employees are required to view the Corporate Compliance video in orientation. For more information, please visit the UK [Corporate Compliance Program](#) Web site.

Preventing Sexual Harassment is also a **MANDATORY** training. This training can be done online at (<http://training.newmedialearning.com/psb/ukentucky/index.htm>). Remember to print your certificate when complete; sign it and turn it in to Dalene Rice (305 Whitney-Hendrickson) to be placed in your personnel file.

Ignoring these **MANDATORY** trainings can result in dismissal from employment at the University of Kentucky

HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COURSE OFFERINGS

<http://hr.uky.edu/TandD/welcome.php>

- 3-17 ~ Communicating Across Cultures
- 3-19 ~ Facing the Challenge of Change
- 3-21 ~ Travel Program
- 3-21 ~ Trip Manager
- 3-24 ~ Getting to Know Office 2007
- 3-26 ~ Handling Anger in the Workplace
- 3-28 ~ Personal Decision Making
- 4-2 ~ Elements Day 1
- 4-3 ~ Elements Day 2
- 4-7 ~ Teamwork in a Changing Workplace
- 4-8 ~ Providing Excellent Customer Service
- 4-8 ~ Outlook 2007 Level 1
- 4-10 ~ Gender Styles in Communication
- 4-10 ~ Managing Your PC
- 4-11 ~ Basics of Leadership
- 4-14 ~ Leading Effective Teams

*All the world is a
laboratory
to the inquiring mind.
~ Martin H. Fischer ~*

