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From the Chair's office: DOM is thriving at age 63

Against a background of nationwide angst over the economy, the deficit, budget cuts, and concerns about health care reform, the department's chief executive is justifiably optimistic. In a recent conversation, Department Chair Bill Bremner talked about the achievements and current challenges of the department. The diagnosis: DOM is very healthy and growing 63 years after its founding.

While acknowledging deep national economic concerns and local worry about the university's financial future, Bremner takes a balanced view. "No UW school or department will escape cuts in the current financial environment," he said. "The challenges are many and familiar: state budgets are cut, tuition is rising, national research funding is down, and philanthropy is down. But returns on our endowment are starting to look up, and more importantly, public commitment and trust in what we do remain strong. We still have substantial support, and health care has been less traumatized than other industries in the current downturn."

In the face of all of these forces, he advises, "Focus on our mission and our strengths. Our mission is to improve the health of the public through outstanding patient care, medical innovation, and education. These are also our historic strengths and where we must concentrate our efforts and resources."

The department's financial health is stable, though additional support for important programs will certainly be needed, and the problems are not over by any means. However, said the chair, "In bad times we don't just carry on—we excel."

There has been much good news in the department in the past year and many accolades received. DOM continues to prosper, attracting top faculty candidates as well as trainees and gaining substantial new and continued funding from many sources.

A new division head for Cardiology has just been appointed after a national search—Dr. W. Robb MacLellan, professor of medicine and physiology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Dr. MacLellan is a prominent researcher in cardiovascular regenerative medicine, an excellent physician and teacher, and an experienced administrator. He plans to join us later this year, and we will introduce him in a future issue of DOM News.

Another change in leadership brings Dr. Conrad Liles back to the department after nearly six years at the University of Toronto. Dr. Liles, a former DOM member and a highly regarded infectious disease expert, will return to UW to succeed Henry Rosen who is stepping aside as associate chair for research after 18 years of outstanding service.

Bremner, who has been department chair for 12 years, is particularly proud of growth and quality in department training programs. The Medicine Residency Program recently introduced new learning pathways in global health, HIV medicine, and hospital medicine. The first-ever UW-based Emergency Medicine Residency was initiated, with its first class of interns entering this year. Under the direction of Susan Stern, division head, and Fiona Gallahue, program director, it will eventually enroll 48 residents. Boise Internal Medicine recently became the

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From the Chair

In this issue I offer some reflections on the challenges facing academic medicine today and our department's responses. While the challenges are considerable, I am more confident than ever that we will meet them.

We recently said goodbye to two members of the department leadership. Emily Wong, associate chair for clinical affairs, has taken a faculty position at the University of Hong Kong. Tom Martin, vice-chair and service chief at the VA for the past 11 years, has retired from the faculty to become head of translational research at Novartis. Both Emily and Tom have contributed greatly to department programs and we wish them well.

Our faculty have continued to receive awards and to assume positions of national leadership in medicine this year. I am especially proud of our clinical teams that have gained state and national recognition for collaborative patient care, particularly the Madison Clinic. Other teams led by DOM physicians have won awards for high performance in organ transplantation and patient-safety initiatives.

Our newest training program, the Emergency Medicine Residency, has admitted its first class of interns, and the new Boise Internal Medicine Program is well under way.

With new programs, new leadership, and new facilities coming to the Department of Medicine, I look forward to the next academic year and beyond with enthusiasm and confidence.

Thank you for your interest in and support of the Department of Medicine.

William J. Bremner, M.D., Ph.D.

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second medicine residency, under the direction of Scott Smith and based at the Boise VA, where residents in the former “Boise Track” trained for more than 30 years. “We are attracting more bright young people into medicine than ever before,” said Bremner.

Patient Care

One of the department’s newest challenges is the impact of mandated duty-hour restrictions for interns that went into effect on July 1. Staffing has been revised at all three hospitals to accommodate the change and so far has been well accepted while leading to improvements in patient care and teaching.

At Harborview, said Chief of Medicine Virginia Broudy, attending physicians are now “more present and active, and they enjoy not seeing the housestaff so exhausted.” The hospitalist program has been expanded and now has three hospital medicine services during the day and a nocturnalist at night.

Clinical teams have been restructured, with doctors and nurses seeing patients together in the morning. Said Broudy, “Planning for the day is enhanced, along with patient-physician cooperation, faculty and resident communications with nurses, and empowerment of nurses. It all fits with our ‘Patients Are First’ ethic.”

At UW Medical Center, Medicine Service Chief Brad Anawalt reports similar adjustments. Scheduling changes moved more teaching activities to later in the day, allowing more critical work time in the morning and more frequent teaching rounds. Both hospitals are discharging patients in the morning and admitting later in the day. Said Anawalt, “The nocturnalist program allows us to advance patient care plans at night, whereas historically night was not a time of active care management. Also, we now have attendings conducting teaching rounds at night. Night hours are much more educational for the residents than in the past.”

Research

Ground has been broken at South Lake Union for new research space for many DOM faculty members. Said Bremner, “This is sure to advance the already robust research enterprise in the department. The promise of new laboratories is helping to recruit top-notch new investigators to the faculty and retain those we have. We have seen significant new advances coming out of our labs, and we can expect that to accelerate.”

As an academic department head and as a physician, Bremner remains focused on the big picture: “We still have a noble and idealistic mission that will not change. Society looks to us to care for sick people and families, and that remains a rewarding responsibility. We are preparing the next generation of physicians. We are making discoveries to improve human health. Those missions are real and important and highly valued by society. I feel very good about our future.”

William Bremner receives Williams Award

Department of Medicine Chair William J. Bremner, M.D., Ph.D., was honored in February by the Association of Professors of Medicine (APM) with the Robert H. Williams, MD, Distinguished Chair of Medicine Award for 2011. This award, the association’s highest honor, is presented annually to a physician who has demonstrated outstanding leadership as the chair of a department of internal medicine. It was named for the DOM founding chair who was an internationally known endocrinologist and founder of the APM.

The Williams Award was first presented to Dr. Williams himself and later to Dr. Paul B. Beeson, former distinguished physician at the VA, and to Dr. Robert G. Petersdorf, the second chair of the UW Department of Medicine and also a distinguished physician at the VA Seattle.

Teamwork

Five patient-care teams involving DOM faculty members recently won national or state recognition for innovation and outstanding performance.

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services awarded UW Medical Center two out of ten silver medals in the nation—one for kidney transplantation and one for liver—and one of 22 bronze medals for kidney-pancreas. Transplantation program directors are Robert Carithers, Jr. (GI), for liver and Connie Davis (Neph) for kidney and kidney-pancreas.

A team at Harborview Emergency Services received the Award of Excellence in Healthcare Quality—Leadership in Improving Healthcare from Qualis Health for its project Code Sepsis. This aims at early diagnosis and aggressive, standardized treatment of sepsis and has already decreased mortality and length of stay. Project leadership includes David Carlbom (PCC) and Richard Utarnachitt (Emerg. Med.)

The National Patient Safety Foundation honored another Harborview team with the Patient Safety Initiative at America’s Public Hospitals Leadership Award for a project that reduced falls on the SeniorCare inpatient unit by 30%. Ross Ehrmantraut, RN, patient safety officer, developed a fall-prevention pilot project. The team included Elizabeth Phelan (Geront).

UW Medicine won a 2011 Safety Net Award Honorable Mention from the National Association of Public Hospitals for a multidisciplinary project to reduce central line-associated bloodstream infections. Such infections decreased across the system by more than 60% in two years. Team leadership included Timothy Dellit (AID).

The Madison Clinic at Harborview, directed by Robert Harrington (AID), has received a Warren Featherstone Reid Award for Excellence in Health Care from the State of Washington (see page 5).

Curriculum Revisited

It has been 12 years since the last comprehensive review of the UW School of Medicine curriculum and more than 40 years since the previous one. The last review yielded creation of the Colleges, much new content, new assessments, and other major changes. Now, with an 8-year re-accreditation granted the school in 2010, there is plenty of time to revisit the curriculum and implement possible changes, and Dean of Medicine Paul Ramsey has proposed another review.

Last fall he appointed a pre-curriculum review advisory committee to explore the issues with stakeholders and submit a report. Chairing the committee are Michael Ryan, associate professor of medicine (Nephrology) and associate dean for curriculum, and Suzanne Allen, clinical professor of family medicine and vice-dean for regional affairs. Later this year, Dean Ramsey, after considering the committee's report and discussing it with others, will issue a charge for the start of the curriculum review.

This time around, Ryan and Allen expect the review will be more of a continuous improvement process. The goal is to create a flexible, nimble curriculum that can easily respond to changing demands and conditions with incremental adjustments. Among the issues that have emerged from meetings with faculty and students are changes in what students bring to medical school, the explosion of new knowledge and techniques to master, and the future nature of practice.

Today's students, said Allen, are more technologically facile and more active in their learning than in the past. "We need more learner-centered teaching." Marj Wenrich, UW Medicine chief of staff and a committee member, agrees and sees a "generational disconnect" with faculty. "Students have very different learning styles and choices now," she said. While curriculum change may take more faculty time,

"it's exciting and can create a cultural shift in the minds of faculty—they will see other ways of teaching."

The explosion of medical knowledge puts pressure on faculty to define what to teach, given growing course content and limited contact hours. Said Mike Ryan, "We used to hang on every word from the teacher because the texts were out of date. Now there is too much information out there, so the teacher's job is to filter it. Part of the challenge is figuring out what medicine will look like 5 to 10 years down the road and preparing them for that."

Suzanne Allen has been asking clinicians across the region what they look for in a partner. "People in practice want someone who can pull their weight, be honest and trustworthy, communicate with patients, deliver patient-centered care, read the latest journal articles and include new information in patient care, work on a team, get along with others, and value what they do. That's the people we want to train."

The timing of basic-science instruction and its integration with clinical experience are central concerns for students and for schools across the nation. Some are questioning the "2+2" model of 2 years of basic science followed by 2 years of clinical, and students are clamoring for earlier contact with patients.

Said Allen, "There's no doubt that we provide excellent medical education. But as you listen to what people say, you realize there are areas that could be improved, and our current structure doesn't allow for some of those changes to occur."

Comments on the School of Medicine curriculum may be submitted to <https://catalyst.uw.edu/webq/survey/precurr/121704>

Emergency Medicine residency

The Division of Emergency Medicine, led by Division Head Susan A. Stern, this winter received accreditation for a new four-year residency program from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. It was accredited for a period of three years—the maximum duration for a new program.

Fiona E. Gallahue, assistant professor in the division, was a key participant in the process and will be program director. Samantha Crowe is program manager. The new program participated in this year's national match and accepted six interns. Twelve more will be accepted each year until enrollment reaches 48 in 2016. Residents will train at the UW Medical Center, Harborview, Seattle Children's, and Providence Regional Medical Center Everett. The curriculum includes strong critical care and pediatric elements.

The members of the inaugural Class of 2015 and their medical schools are: Blaise Bellows, UW; Alisha Cutler and Patrick Maher, Georgetown; Anastasia Grivoyannis, Cornell; Ryan Gould, Tulane; and Rebekah Heckmann, Minnesota.



Madison Clinic honored for outstanding care and regional outreach

More than 10,600 people in Washington are HIV-positive, and nearly a quarter of them receive care at Harborview Medical Center's Madison Clinic. While anyone in the state can be served, access to the necessary expertise is often limited by distance. Under the leadership of Dr. Robert Harrington, the clinic is addressing both problems with a program of regional satellite clinics.

Madison recently received the Warren Featherstone Reid Award for "exceptional quality and value in the delivery of health services" from the state of Washington. It was singled out particularly for its innovative outreach, but much else is noteworthy about this vital service.

Dr. Harrington, professor of medicine in the Division of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, is medical director of the clinic and associate section chief of infectious diseases at Harborview. Others regularly practicing at the clinic are Drs. Nina Kim, Shireesha Dhanireddy, and Christian Ramers, all assistant professors in AID.

The clinic opened about 20 years ago as the STD Clinic on Madison Street under former faculty member Mac Hooton. Harrington, who was assistant director, said recently, "Patients enjoyed going there. It was a caring environment, more of a community center than a clinic." At Harborview the clinic enjoys convenient access to essential services. It acts as the "medical home" for its patients, providing primary and specialty care in addition to specialized HIV care.

Outreach

Today Madison Clinic serves more than 2,400 patients with HIV—more than any other provider in the Northwest. But the need is great and growing as new infections continue to occur and those already infected live longer. Said Harrington, "While HIV care has become simpler because the medications are so effective, it has also gotten more intimidating and complex. Fewer providers in outlying communities can keep up with rapid changes in the field."

In 2007 he initiated a partnership with the Kitsap County Health District to establish a weekly clinic in Bremerton providing the full range of HIV care including antiretroviral therapies. The next year he created a second clinic at Everett in cooperation with the Community Health Center of Snohomish County. One physician—usually Christian Ramers with backup by Mary Campbell—travels to each clinic once a week to see patients. The state funds the physician time and supports the administrative and facility costs of the community partners. Each site serves 150-200 patients.



Photo: Left to right, Dr. Ann Collier, medical director of the UW ACTU; Dr. Virginia C. Broudy, chief of medicine at Harborview; Washington Secretary of Health Mary Selecky; Dr. Robert Harrington, Madison Clinic director.

Harrington would like to see a clinic in Pierce County, but continued funding for outreach is a worry: The clinics are funded in part through the federal Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act, which will likely contract in the near future as national health care reform is implemented. Still, he would like to maintain connections with community partners and continue sharing expertise through the satellites. He gives much credit for the program's success to the supportive Harborview administration.

Research and training

While the clinic does not conduct formal research, it enjoys a synergy with the AIDS Clinical Trials Unit (ACTU) next door, directed by Ann Collier (AID). Eligible patients can be referred to the ACTU and other groups performing clinical research in HIV. Harrington directs the Clinical Research Core (CRC) of the Center for AIDS Research, and the clinic was recently selected as one of ten sites to participate in the NCI-supported AIDS Malignancy Clinical Trials Consortium. "Everybody's talking to everybody else," he said.

Madison offers a training setting unique in the region and an intensive experience for trainees at any level. These include infectious disease fellows, medical students on electives, and residents in the department's new HIV track. Others come for rotations and electives in HIV. An attending physician is present at every patient session.

In addition to the core faculty, above, David Spach (AID), Ann Collier (AID), John Sheffield (GIM), Joe Merrill (GIM), Heidi Crane (AID), Mari Kitahata (AID), Chris Behrens (Global Health), and other ID faculty care for patients or attend in the clinic. Additionally, a new service provides consultation for every HIV+ patient admitted to HMC, facilitates the inpatient-outpatient transition, and improves communication between inpatient teams and clinic primary care providers. Said Harrington, "God bless the Department of Medicine for supporting the new HIV inpatient service."

Faculty and Staff News

Emily Y. Wong, associate professor in GIM and associate chair for clinical affairs, has joined the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine at the University of Hong Kong and is now an affiliate associate professor in the Department. She has been a faculty member since 1995 and associate chair since 2004. She directed the Women's Health Care Center at UWMC Roosevelt from 1998 to 2004, while also directing the UW National Center of Excellence in Women's Health. At Hong Kong she will teach, practice, and participate in research within the Department of Family Medicine and Primary Care. She will also be involved in a demonstration project for health care reform in China.

Michael J. Ryan, associate professor of medicine in the Division of Nephrology, became associate dean for curriculum for the UW School of Medicine in April. He succeeded Susan Marshall, professor of pediatrics. Dr. Ryan, section head at Harborview and medical director of the Seattle Kidney Center, Northwest Kidney Centers, has been much recognized for his teaching. His honors include Teacher Superior in Perpetuity, Distinguished Teaching Award in Basic Sciences, Golden Apple Teaching Award, Aagaard Outstanding Teaching Award, and Providence Medical Center Outstanding Teacher Award. Dr. Ryan received his M.D. from the University of Michigan and completed his medicine residency and nephrology fellowship at the UW before joining the faculty in 1993.

W. Conrad Liles, a former member of the DOM faculty, will return to the department to become the new associate chair for research on January 1, 2012. He will succeed Henry Rosen who is stepping aside at the end of this year from the position he has held since 1993. Dr. Rosen will continue as a faculty member in the Division of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Dr. Liles is currently a professor and vice-chair of research in the

Department of Medicine at the University of Toronto where he directs the Division of Infectious Diseases and holds the Canada Research Chair in Inflammation and Infectious Diseases. A profile of Dr. Liles will appear in a future issue of *DOM News*.

L. Frederick "Fritz" Fenster, former section chief of Gastroenterology at Harborview Medical Center, died on January 19 at his home in Seattle. Dr. Fenster practiced at the Mason Clinic for 26 years and served as clinical professor in Medicine at UW for more than 30 years. He was known as a meticulous scholar and teacher and was long involved in issues of health care assessment.

Suhail Ahmad, professor of medicine in the Division of Nephrology, was named chief medical officer of Northwest Kidney Centers (NKC). He succeeds **John Stivelman**, also a professor in Nephrology, who became emeritus chief medical officer and senior medical director of NKC.

Raghu "Rags" Durvasula, associate professor in the Division of Nephrology, has been appointed director for UW Medical Center Dialysis, succeeding **Suhail Ahmad**. He also serves as associate medical director for inpatient care at UWMC.

John Amory, professor of medicine, became head of the Section of General Internal Medicine at UW Medical Center. He succeeds **Douglas Paauw**, who stepped down from the position, which he had held since 2002. Dr. Paauw continues as director of Medicine Student Programs.

Michelle Lynch is the new administrator of the Division of General Internal Medicine. She has worked at the UW for the past 11 years, most recently as director of finance and administration in the Office of Finance and Facilities, and previously at Group Health Cooperative.

Fuki M. Hisama, associate professor, has become the new program director of the Medical Genetics Residency Program. Dr. Hisama, who is medical director for the UWMC Medical Genetics Clinic, succeeds **Peter H. Byers**, professor, who had been program director since 1997.

Jeffrey Ledbetter appointed to Maury Professorship



Jeffrey Ledbetter, Ph.D., research professor in Rheumatology and a prominent translational scientist, was named the first holder of the

Herndon and Esther Maury Professorship in Rheumatoid Arthritis. Before joining the division in 2007, Dr. Ledbetter was chief scientific officer of a number of biotechnology companies. He has made many advances in immune-based therapies, including those for rheumatoid arthritis, lymphoma, and a variety of autoimmune disorders, and holds more than 40 patents. The Maury Professorship was created in 2005.

John Harlan holds Giblett Professorship



John M. Harlan, M.D., was recently appointed the first Elo Giblett Professor of Medicine in the Division of Hematology. Dr. Harlan is professor of medicine, associate medical

director for blood services, and chief of the Section of Hematology/Oncology at Harborview Medical Center. He investigates endothelial cell and leukocyte biology. He joined the faculty in 1978 and was division head for 15 years. Eloise Giblett, who died in 2009, was a faculty member in Hematology from 1955 to 1980 and was executive director of the Puget Sound Blood Center.

Faculty Honors Oct. 1, 2010-June 10, 2011

Janet Dennison is the new administrator of the Division of Medical Oncology. She previously directed operations at Seattle's Polyclinic, Overlake Medical Clinics, Providence, and Group Health, as well as St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Jackie Swihart, longtime staff member in General Internal Medicine, has become the new administrator for the Division of Emergency Medicine. She has managed the Consultative and Hospital Medicine Program, the NRSA Primary Care Research Fellowship Program, the divisional operations budget, and many other critical administrative functions.

Four DOM members join the UW School of Medicine Colleges faculty beginning July 1: **Anne Eacker**, associate professor (GIM); **John Ilgen**, acting assistant professor (EM); **Margaret Isaac**, acting instructor (GIM); and **Molly Jackson**, acting instructor (GIM).

Promotions

TO PROFESSOR:

John Amory, Roy Colven, Jason Dominitz, Jeffrey Duchin, Mary Flowers, Matthew Golden, William Grady, Stephanie Lee, Ajit Limaye, Thomas Rea, Rudy Rodriguez, Margaret Shuhart.

TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR:

Kristina Crothers, Raghu Durvasula, Geoffrey Gottlieb, Sunil Hingorani, Catherine Hough, Joo-Ha Hwang, Barbara Menzies, Marco Mielcarek, Paul Pottinger, Anneliese Schleyer, Jared Strote, John Stamatoyannopoulos.

TO RESEARCH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR:

James Blevins, Gregory Morton, Patrick Navas, Ian Sweet, Tomas Vaisar, Tom Walsh, Jennifer Wu.

Janis L. Abkowitz: Vice-president, American Society of Hematology

Suhail Ahmad: Chief medical officer, Northwest Kidney Centers

Anthony Back: Pathfinder in Palliative Care Award, American Cancer Society

Robin Bennett: Listening Award, Genetic Alliance

Virginia C. Broudy: Marvin Turck Outstanding Teaching Award; Board of Trustees, Northwest Kidney Centers

Michael T. Chin: Tietze Family Award, UW

Lawrence Corey: Ned Behnke Leadership Award, Lifelong AIDS Alliance

Michele A. Despreaux: Fellow, American College of Physicians

Mary L. "Nora" Disis: Elected to Association of American Physicians

Jeremy S. Duffield: Early Career Investigator/Scholar Award, NIDDK; elected to American Soc. for Clin. Invest

Joann G. Elmore: Appointed to Wa. State Health Technology Clinical Committee

Cynthia G. Ferrucci: Fellow, American College of Physicians

Barak Gaster: Clinician-Educator of the Year Award, Society of General Internal Medicine Northwest Region; chair, Wa. State Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee

Thomas Hawn: Science in Medicine Lecture; elected to American Soc. for Clin. Invest

Marshall Horwitz: UW Medicine Alumni Early Achievement Award

Hans-Peter Kiem: Appointed to NIH Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee

Harry R. Kimball: Abraham Flexner Award, Association of American Medical Colleges

Mary-Claire King: Double Helix Medal, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory; Pearl Meister Greengard Prize, Rockefeller University

Wayne C. Levy: Appointed to American Heart Association/American College of Cardiology writing group for congestive heart failure practice guidelines

Thomas R. Martin: Paul B. Beeson Award

M. Juliana McElrath: Senior vice-president, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center; Hope Is a Vaccine Award, Global Alliance to Immunize against AIDS Vaccine Foundation

Arno G. Motulsky: Cura Personalis Award, Georgetown University

Catherine M. Otto: Distinguished Scientist Award, American College of Cardiology

Darrell Owens: Wa. State Nurse Practitioner of the Year, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners

Jerry Palmer: Outstanding Physician-Clinician Award, American Diabetes Association

David J. Pierson: Marvin Turck Outstanding Teaching Award

Paul Pottinger: UW School of Medicine Distinguished CME Teacher, Junior Faculty

Mara Roth: Early Investigator Award, Endocrine Society

Michael J. Ryan: Associate dean for curriculum, UW School of Medicine

Savitha Subramanian: Outstanding Investigator Award, Western Section, American Federation for Medical Research

Muneesh Tewari: Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers

Sabine von Preyss-Friedman: Medical Director of the Year Award, AMDA

Jill M. Watanabe: Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society



Stanley M. Gartler was honored by the Division of Medical Genetics with a lecture and reception in January. Professor Emeritus Maynard V. Olson presented "Stan Gartler: A Scientific Appreciation." Dr. Gartler, Professor Emeritus of Medicine and Genome Sciences, joined the faculty in 1957 as one of the first members of the division and was also a founding member of the Department of Genetics.

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50 Years of Excellence in Dermatology

On May 20, the Division of Dermatology celebrated the 50th anniversary of its founding with an all-day symposium and dinner. Department Chair Dr. William J. Bremner welcomed attendees to the symposium, and current Division Head Dr. John E. Olerud (right) provided a history and overview of UW Dermatology. Dr. Paul R. Bergstresser (left), Professor of Dermatology at the University of Texas, Southwestern, presented the 2011 George F. Odland Lecture, "Scientific Milestones in Skin Biology during the Past 25 Years." Faculty members Dr. Paul Nghiem, Dr. Andy Chien, and Dr. Roy Colven spoke about clinical services and research. Dr. Karen Holbrook (center), Senior Vice-president for Research, Innovation and Global Affairs and Professor of Molecular Medicine at the University of South Florida, spoke on "The Future of Scientific Research," introduced by Dean Paul Ramsey.

Dr. Odland, who died in 1997, was Dermatology's founding head. He is commemorated by the Odland Scholars program and the George F. Odland Professorship, held by Dr. Olerud who succeeded him. Today the division has a

faculty of 25, a two-track residency program, and two fellowship training programs. Its mission is to provide outstanding patient care, train and mentor future leaders in dermatology, and advance dermatologic knowledge through research.

