



Alpha Omega Alpha Convocation and Faculty Honors Convocation



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12:00 noon

Eppley Science Hall Amphitheater

**College of Medicine
and**

**School of Allied Health Professions
University of Nebraska Medical Center**

2012 AOA DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER

presents

“Lesson From My Residency”



by

John S. Sergent, MD, MACP, MACR

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Residency Program Director, Department of Medicine
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Dr. John Sergent graduated from the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in 1966. He was a resident on the Osler Service at Johns Hopkins from 1966-1968, spent two years in the Laboratory of Clinical Investigation in the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and then returned to Vanderbilt to complete his residency and was chief resident in 1971-72. He did his fellowship training under Dr. Charles Christian at The Hospital for Special Surgery/Cornell Medical Center. Since returning to Vanderbilt in 1975 he has held a number of positions, and served as the institution's first Chief Medical Officer from 1995-2003. He is currently Vice-Chair for Education and Residency Program Director in the Department of Medicine. He served as a regular columnist for the Nashville Tennessean for over 15 years and a compilation of these columns resulted in a book, "Healing Words", published in 2009.

AOA NOMINEES

2012 Student Nominees

Class of 2013

Dennis Bierle	Scott Madden
Brady Fickenscher	Thomas McKnight
Jillian Fickenscher	Shana Peper
Nathan A. Harms	Adam Sutton
Jon Hedgecock	Nicholas Zalewski
Kendra Luebke	

Class of 2012

Matthias Albin	Kyle Smith
Linden Fornoff	Jeffrey Songster
Brian Keegan	Lauren Volentine
Jordan Lacy	Nicole Westercamp
Jill LaGrange	Anja Zann
Christopher Peters	

2012 Alumni Nominees

John C. Mitchell II, M.D., Omaha, Nebraska
Peter J. Whitted, M.D., Omaha, Nebraska

2012 Faculty Nominees

Dmitry Oleynikov, M.D., Surgery
John W. Sparks, M.D., Pediatrics

2012 House Officer Nominees

Mashaal Dhir, M.D., Surgery
Meysam Kebriaei, M.D., Neurosurgery
Nicholas W. Markin, M.D., Anesthesia

FACULTY HONORS CONVOCATION

A Message From the Dean

Dear Colleagues,

The Faculty Honors Convocation is an opportunity for the College of Medicine and the School of Allied Health Professions to recognize significant academic achievements in teaching, service or research by the faculty. Academic achievement is the essence of our mission and distinguishes us from the world around us. It fosters innovative ideas which create new knowledge and services for the benefit of our students, patients, and the community at-large. The academic impact of our faculty is clearly reflected by the array of achievements locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. Moreover, the list of honorees is probably incomplete since the names of individuals to be honored at this convocation were supplied by each department and some may have declined the invitation to be honored.

We also take this opportunity to recognize those faculty members who met successfully the intense scrutiny of peer review and were promoted and/or tenured during the past year.

Exceptional and Outstanding Achievement

- A unique award presented by an entire class, school, college, national or international organization.
- A significant administrative position in a national or international organization.

Special Achievement

- An award presented by a department or group of residents.
- An elected position in a local organization.
- Honorary mention teaching awards.
- Service or research awards from other organizations.
- Other awards/administrative positions.

I congratulate all of the faculty listed in the program for your achievements and commend you for your contribution to the growing reputation of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine and School of Allied Health Professions for excellence.

Sincerely,



Bradley E. Britigan, M.D.
Dean, College of Medicine

EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

College of Medicine/Class of 1962 Basic Science Outstanding Teacher Award

The 1962 College of Medicine graduating class, on the occasion of its 25th anniversary in 1987, created the "Class of 1962 Basic Science Outstanding Teacher Award." It is intended that this honor will inspire and foster continued excellence in classroom teaching and will honor, substantially and annually, one distinguished professor who has contributed greatly to the education of aspiring medical students. In 2007, the College of Medicine supplemented this award to recognize exemplary teaching by a basic scientist.

2011 Recipient: Geoffrey A. Talmon, M.D.
Pathology and Microbiology

University of Nebraska Awards 2011

Kurtis G. Cornish, Ph.D.
Outstanding Teaching and Instructional Creativity Award

UNMC Distinguished Scientists 2011

This award, sponsored by the Chancellor, recognizes those UNMC researchers who have been among the most productive scientists in the country over the past five years. Criteria for the award include the researcher's history of leading an outstanding research program, publishing research results in journals of the highest quality, and showing the ability to attract and retain extramural funding.

UNMC Distinguished Scientists

Michael D. Boska, M.D.

Radiology
Pathology and Microbiology (courtesy)
Radiation Science Technology Education (courtesy)

Pawel S. Ciborowski, Ph.D.

Pharmacology and Experimental Neuroscience
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (courtesy)
Pathology and Microbiology (courtesy)

Georgette D. Kanmogne, Ph.D.

Pharmacology and Experimental Neuroscience

Dmitry Oleynikov, M.D., Ph.D.

Surgery

Iraklis I. Pipinos, M.D.

Surgery
Cellular and Integrative Physiology (courtesy)

Debra Romberger, M.D.

Internal Medicine
Anesthesiology (courtesy)

Paul L. Sorgen, Ph.D.

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Susan Swindells, MBBS

Internal Medicine

UNMC New Investigators

The New Investigators Award recognizes those UNMC researchers who have secured their first NIH funding and have demonstrated scholarly activity, such as presentation and publication.

Maneesh Jain, Ph.D.

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Tricia D. LeVan, Ph.D.

Internal Medicine

Eyal Margalit, M.D., Ph.D.

Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences

Jill A. Poole, M.D.

Internal Medicine

Guangshun Wang, Ph.D.

Pathology and Microbiology
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (courtesy)

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

Kurtis G. Cornish, Ph.D.
Hirschmann Prize for Teaching Excellence
Golden Apple Award – Basic Science
American Medical Student Association
Senior Class

Golden Apple Hall of Fame
Retired into the Hall of Fame

Patricia A. Hageman, PT, Ph.D.
Outstanding Service to the Allied Professions
School of Allied Health Professions

Outstanding Researcher of the Year
School of Allied Health Professions

Tammy Lynn Jones, MPA, RT(R)(M)
Teacher of the Year
School of Allied Health Professions

Shantaram S. Joshi, Ph.D.
Outstanding Teacher Award
UNMC Faculty Senate

Richard G. MacDonald, Ph.D.
Outstanding Teacher Award
UNMC Faculty Senate

Golden Apple Award
American Medical Association
Freshman Class

James C. McClay, M.D.
Lifetime Achievement Award in Medical Informatics
American College of Emergency Physicians

Connie L. Mitchell, MA, RT(R)(CT)
Council Member for the United States
International Society of Radiographers
and Radiologic Technologists

Ashish Sharma, M.D.
Hirschmann Prize for Teaching Excellence
Golden Apple Award – Clinical
American Medical Student Association
Senior Class

Byers W. Shaw, Jr., M.D.
Honorary Fellow, American Chapter
The International College of Surgeons

Geoffrey A. Talmon, M.D.
Golden Apple Award
American Medical Association
Sophomore Class

Chad W. Vokoun, M.D.
Outstanding Teacher Award
UNMC Faculty Senate

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

Cyrus V. Desouza, MBBS
Member, National Professional Practice Committee
American Diabetes Association

Fellow, American College of Physicians

Clinical Research Award
Department of Internal Medicine

Andjela Drincic, M.D.
Vice President, Heartland Chapter
American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists

Paul W. Esposito, M.D.
Member, Medical Advisory Council
Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation

Member, Board of Directors
Metro Omaha Medical Society Foundation

Shawna Freeman-Ngau, M.D.
Excellence in Teaching Award
Anesthesiology Residents

Kevin L. Garvin, M.D.
Chair, Research Committee
The Knee Society

Member, Board of Directors
Omaha Sports Commission

Angela Hewlett, M.D.
Secretary, Board of Directors
Nebraska Infection Control Network

Chair, Healthcare-Associated Infections Advisory
Council, CIMRO of Nebraska

Howard Yee Liu, M.D.
Outstanding Innovation in Medical Education
Poster Award
Association of Directors of Medical Student Education
in Psychiatry

James C. McClay, M.D.
Certificate of Appreciation for Leadership
American College of Emergency Physicians

Co Chair, HL7 Emergency Care Workshop
Health Level Seven

Kaleb Michaud, Ph.D.
Rheumatology Investigator Award
American College of Rheumatology Research
and Education Foundation

Robert L. Muelleman, M.D.
Director, Board of Emergency Medicine
American Board of Emergency Medicine

Honorable Mention ED Director of the Year
Blue Jay Consulting/Emergency Medicine Foundation

Byers W. Shaw, Jr., M.D.
First Place, Creative Nonfiction
The Salt Institute for Documentary Studies

James B. Temme, MPA, RT(R)
Chair, Board of Directors
American Society of Radiologic Technologists

College of Medicine Alumni Association 2011 Faculty Recognition

The UNMC College of Medicine Alumni Association is proud to recognize the dedicated faculty members who have served the College of Medicine for 25 years.

Thomas G. Tape, M.D.
Internal Medicine

Rodney S. Markin, M.D., Ph.D.
Pathology and Microbiology

The UNMC College of Medicine Alumni Association is pleased to recognize the following UNMC faculty who received awards in 2011.

David A. Crouse, Ph.D.
Honorary Alumnus Award

William E. Thorell, M.D.
Early Career Achievement Award

PROMOTION AND TENURE

Effective July 1, 2011

Tenure at the Rank of Associate Professor:

Babu J. Padanilam, Ph.D., Cellular and Integrative Physiology
Zhixin Zhang, Ph.D., Pathology and Microbiology

Tenure at the Rank of Professor:

Patricia Aoun, M.D., Pathology and Microbiology
Subodh M. Lele, M.D., Pathology and Microbiology
Eyal Margalit, M.D., Ph.D., Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
Timothy M. McCashland, M.D., Internal Medicine
Ted R. Mikuls, M.D., Internal Medicine

Promotion to Assistant Professor:

Allyson L. Braasch, M.D., Anesthesiology
Chad E. Branecki, M.D., Emergency Medicine
Jose A. Garcia, M.D., Anesthesiology
Carrie A. Hoarty, M.D., Internal Medicine
Sarah A. Keim Janssen, Ph.D., Genetics, Cell Biology and
Anatomy
Howard Y. Liu, M.D., Psychiatry
Sheritta A. Strong, MD., Psychiatry
Honghong Yao, Ph.D., Pharmacology and Experimental
Neuroscience

Promotion to Associate Professor:

Ann L. Anderson-Berry, M.D., Pediatrics
Chandrakanth Are, MBBS, Surgery; Genetics, Cell Biology
and Anatomy (courtesy)
Madhuri Are, M.D., Surgery
Dominick J. DiMaio, M.D., Pathology and Microbiology
Diana F. Florescu, M.D., Internal Medicine
Apar Kishor P. Ganti, M.D., Internal Medicine
Whitney S. Goldner, M.D., Internal Medicine
Karen A. Gould, Ph.D., Genetics, Cell Biology and Anatomy
Neena BA Haider, Ph.D., Genetics, Cell Biology and Anatomy;
Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (courtesy)
James Haorah, Ph.D., Pharmacology and Experimental
Neuroscience
Dee Harrison-Findik, Ph.D., Internal Medicine; Pathology
and Microbiology (courtesy); Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology (courtesy)

YuLong, Li, M.D., Ph.D., Emergency Medicine; Cellular and
Integrative Physiology (courtesy)
Runqing Lu, Ph.D, Genetics, Cell Biology and Anatomy
Xu Luo, Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (courtesy)
Thomas Magnuson, M.D., Psychiatry
David F. Mercer, M.D., Ph.D., Surgery
Jill A. Poole, M.D., Internal Medicine
Fedja A. Rochling, MBBCh, Internal Medicine
Polina Shcherbakova, Ph.D., Genetics, Cell Biology and
Anatomy (courtesy)
Hugh A. Stoddard, Ph.D., Family Medicine
Pariwat Thaisetthawatkul, M.D., Neurological Sciences
William E. Thorell, M.D., Surgery
Jing Wang, Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (courtesy);
Genetics, Cell Biology and Anatomy (courtesy)

Promotion to Professor:

Patricia Aoun, M.D., Pathology and Microbiology
Teri J. Barkoukis, M.D., Internal Medicine
Mark A. Carlson, M.D., Surgery; Genetics, Cell Biology and
Anatomy (courtesy)
Paul D. Fey, Ph.D., Pathology and Microbiology;
Internal Medicine (courtesy)
Mark H. Fleisher, M.D., Psychiatry; Pediatrics (courtesy)
Jeffrey D. Harrison, M.D., Family Medicine
Subodh M. Lele, M.D., Pathology and Microbiology,
Surgery (courtesy)
Eyal Margalit, M.D., Ph.D., Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
Timothy M. McCashland, M.D., Internal Medicine
Ted R. Mikuls, M.D., Internal Medicine
Ake Nystrom, M.D., Ph.D., Surgery; Orthopedic Surgery and
Rehabilitation
Dmitry Oleynikov, M.D., Surgery
Iraklis I. Pipinos, M.D., Surgery
Matthew L. White, M.D., Radiology