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## Faculty Honors

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### Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

**Charles Chalfant, Ph.D.**, has been awarded the ASBMB Lipid Research Division's Young Investigator Award for 2011 in recognition of his contributions to lipid research.

**Ching-Kang J. Chen, Ph.D.**, has been named a committee member of the Biology and Diseases of the Posterior Eye Study Section for the Center for Scientific Review. Chen's term began this past July and runs through June 2014. Members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievement through quality of research, publications in scientific journals and other significant scientific activities, achievements and honors.

**Gregorio Gil, Ph.D.**, has been named a committee member of the Integrative Nutrition and Metabolic Processes Study Section for the Center for Scientific Review. Gil's term began this past July and runs through June 2014. Members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievement through quality of research, publications in scientific journals and other significant scientific activities, achievements and honors

### Family Medicine

The VCU School of Medicine has received the Program of Excellence Award from the American Academy of Family Physicians.

### Internal Medicine

**Diane Biskobing, M.D.**, received the VCU Health System's Leadership in Graduate Medical Education Award.

**Peter Boling, M.D.**, will receive the Alzheimer's Advocate Award by the Greater Richmond Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association in appreciation for his efforts for those struggling with Alzheimer's and other dementia diseases. In addition, he was named the MCV Physicians Distinguished Clinician for 2010 and was awarded fellowship in the American College of Physicians.

**Alan Dow, M.D., FACP**, was elected to the Governor's Council of the Virginia Chapter of the American College of Physicians.

**Lisa Ellis, M.D., FACP**, was elected to the Governor's Council of the Virginia Chapter of the American College of Physicians.

**Ranjodh Gill, M.D., FACP**, was elected to the Governor's Council of the Virginia Chapter of the American College of Physicians.

**Fadi N. Salloum, Ph.D.**, was awarded a Scientist Development Grant from the American Heart Association. The four-year grant is considered the most prestigious AHA grant; it is offered only once to any investigator.

**Karen Sanders, M.D.**, was awarded a "Certificate of Public Leadership" by The Brookings Institute.

**George W. Vetovec, M.D.**, was awarded the VCU Distinguished Service Award, which recognizes superior service to the university, the profession and beyond.

**Richard P. Wenzel, M.D.**, was awarded the VCU University Award of Excellence, which is one the highest honors the university can bestow a faculty member.

### Otolaryngology

**Evan R. Reiter, M.D.**, received a VCU Health System's Leadership in Graduate Medical Education Award.

### Orthopaedic Surgery

**Robert S. Adelaar, M.D.**, has been selected to receive the 2010 Virginia Lifetime Career Award from the Virginia Orthopaedic Society. This award is given annually to a physician who has made a major impact on practicing orthopaedic surgeons in Virginia.

### Pathology

**Alphonse Poklis, Ph.D.**, has been appointed by Governor Robert McDonnell to the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Department of Forensic Science.

### Pediatrics

**William B. Moskowitz, M.D.**, has been elected president of the Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

## *New Faculty*

Expanding our expertise and opportunities for collaboration

### Anesthesiology

**Jaimison Baker, M.D.**, joined the department as an assistant professor in August. Baker received his medical degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in May of 2006. He completed a residency in anesthesiology at the VCU Health System in June of 2010.

**Laura Lahaye, M.D.**, joined the department as an assistant professor in August. Lahaye received her medical degree from the University of Virginia School of Medicine in 2006. She completed a residency in anesthesiology at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, N.H., in June of 2010.

**Olga Suarez-Winowiski, M.D.**, joined the department as an assistant professor in September. Suarez-Winowiski received her medical degree from the Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Mexico School of Medicine in Toluca, Mexico, in 1984. She completed a residency in anesthesiology at the VCU Health System in June of 2010.

### Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

**Young-jai You, Ph.D.**, joined the faculty in September as an assistant professor. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. Her postdoctoral training was in genetics in feeding behaviors at the same institution.

### Internal Medicine

**Prithviraj Bose, M.D.**, joined the faculty of the Division of Hematology/Oncology and Palliative Care in July. Bose attended medical school at the University of Calcutta in India. He completed his residency at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit and his fellowship at the University of Oklahoma. His clinical interests are hematologic malignancies and general medical oncology and hematology. His research interests are experimental therapies and clinical trials in leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma.

**William Clark, M.D.**, joined the faculty of the Division of Hematology/Oncology in July. Clark attended medical school and completed his residency at the VCU Health System. He completed his fellowship at Vanderbilt University. His clinical interest is in bone marrow transplantation.

**Michael Stevens, M.D.**, joined the faculty of the Division of Infectious Disease. He received his medical degree from VCU. He completed a residency in internal medicine at the VCU Health System, and was named Chief Resident. He also completed a fellowship in infectious diseases at the VCU Health System. He is an assistant professor, associate hospital epidemiologist and director of the Antimicrobial Stewardship Program. His research interests are epidemiology of healthcare-associated infections and epidemiology of antimicrobial utilization.

### Neurology

**Sarah Lageman, Ph.D.**, joined the faculty in August. She completed a clinical neuropsychology fellowship at the Mayo Clinic and subsequently joined the faculty at Emory University as an assistant professor and director of the Neuropsychology Consulting Service to Oncology in the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine. She is a neuropsychologist.

**Unsong Oh, M.D.**, joined the faculty in August. Oh completed a postdoctoral fellowship with the neuroimmunology branch of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke. Oh is a Multiple Sclerosis specialist.

**Hamid Sadeghian, M.D.**, joined the faculty in July. A neuromuscular specialist, Sadeghian's most recent post was at the University of Texas, Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

**Samuel Taylor, M.D.**, joined the faculty in September. Taylor completed a sleep fellowship at the University of Michigan in July of this year. He is a sleep specialist.

### Surgery

**Francisco Albuquerque, Jr., M.D.**, joined the faculty in July as an assistant professor. He holds a medical degree from the School of Medicine, Faculdade de Medicina, Universidade Federal do Ceara Fortaleza, CE, Brazil and held a fellowship in vascular surgery at Clinic Foundation in New Orleans, La. He has vascular research interests. His residency was completed at the VCU Health System and was followed by a fellowship in vascular surgery in Liverpool, United Kingdom. He worked as a vascular and general surgeon in the Hospital Monte Klinikum, Brazil, from 2003-2008.

**Sharma Amit, M.D.**, joined the faculty in July as an assistant professor. He holds a medical degree from Punjab University, India and also completed a residency in India. Amit has research interests in assessing the safety and efficacy of Alefacept in de novo kidney transplant recipients. He was a research fellow in transplantation surgery at Karolinski University Hospital in Stockholm, Sweden. He

joined the VCU Medical Center in 2007 as a fellow in transplantation surgery and has held a position as an instructor at the VCU Health System.

**Rahul Anand, M.D.**, joined the faculty in August as an assistant professor. He holds a medical degree from the University of Michigan and held an acute care fellowship at the R. Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore, Md. He has research interests in hepatic trauma and outcomes research.

**Christopher Campbell, M.D.**, joined the faculty in August as an assistant professor. He holds a medical degree from the University of North Carolina and held a microvascular/reconstructive fellowship at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Clinic. He has research interests in stem cells, wound healing, breast reconstruction outcomes, reconstruction of the trunk as well as disorders of regional fibrosis including keloids, Dupuytren's contracture and capsular contracture.

**Michael Feldman, M.D.**, joined the faculty in July as an assistant professor. He holds a medical degree from VCU, completed his residency at the VCU Health System and held a burn fellowship at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Md.

**Paula Ferrada, M.D.**, joined the faculty in August as an assistant professor. She holds a medical degree from the Universidad del Valle Medical School in Cali, Colombia, and held an acute care surgery fellowship at R. Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore, Md. She has research interests in ultrasound and echocardiography use in trauma and the critically ill.

**Vernon Orton, M.D.**, joined the faculty in August as an assistant professor. He holds a medical degree from the VCU Medical Center and held a urologic oncology fellowship at the City of Hope National Medical Center in Durate, Calif. He has research interests in minimally invasive surgery and robotic surgery.

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**Richard M. Hubbard**, Class of 2013, will receive the Medical Society of Virginia Foundation's Salute to Service Award for Service by a Medical Student or Resident for his personal commitment to the people of Bangladesh and creation and leadership of the Basic Needs Program.