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Partners Asthma Center Faculty Newsletter

Brigham and Women's, Massachusetts General, and Faulkner Hospitals

Why a Faculty Newsletter?



Another newsletter? Who needs it? Well, we do! We need to have a means to stay in touch with each other and to share Partners Asthma Center information, projects, developments, and plans. As we've grown – to 34 members, with 24 patient care providers at 7 different practice sites - it has become increasingly difficult for us to keep in touch and to stay abreast of our various activities.

Did you know that Partners Asthma Center's Autumn Asthma Fair will be held this year at Roxbury Community College's Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center? Would you like to know the details of the planned schedule for this year's Partners Asthma Center Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor, Dr. Homer Boushey? Would you simply like to know who are all of the members of Partners Asthma Center?

My hope is that some of this information is unknown to you and would be welcome. My plan is to distribute this newsletter periodically, but not on a regular schedule (to avoid more deadlines in my life!). I will try to send it to you by e-mail and print, your choice. My greatest hope is that it can become a clearing house for shared ideas, plans, goals, or even "public" discussion regarding our Asthma Center. That is, feedback would be appreciated, suggestions welcomed, and written pieces for distribution cherished.

Christopher H. Fanta 8/31/01

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Asthma Grand Rounds Videoconferencing

Partners Asthma Cen-
ter's Asthma Grand
Rounds begins its 6th
season this fall. Our first
speaker is Dr. Anthony
Massaro of the Pulmo-
nary and Critical Care

Division at the Brigham. He will speak on *Nitric* Oxide as a Marker of Inflammation in Asthma at the Bornstein Family Amphitheater at the Brigham on Friday, Sep-

tember 21 at 8:30 a.m. (continental breakfast is available beginning at 8:00 a.m.).

This year for the first time we will attempt to

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Asthma Grand Rounds (cont.)

make his presentation (and all of the other lectures in the *Asthma Grand Rounds* series) available at the MGH by simultaneous videoconferencing to the **Lawrence House** Conference Room. Please plan to attend – at either site.



Asthma Grand Rounds Schedule (2001-2002):

September 21, 2001
Anthony Massaro, M. D.

Nitric Oxide as a Marker of Inflammation in Asthma

November 16, 2001

Diane Gold, M.D.

Role of Creatures Large and Small in the Development of Asthma

January 18, 2002 Jeffrey Drazen, M.D.

Pharmacogenetics of Asthma

March 8, 2002

Faculty Panel

Asthma Management Roundtable: Presentation of Difficult Cases

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June 7, 2002

Barbara Cockrill, M.D. and Lynda Cristiano M.D.

Asthma Management During Pregnancy:

Consensus and Controversy

Visiting Professor

As you probably already know, this year Partners Asthma Center has invited Dr. Homer Boushey, Professor of Medicine at the University of California at San Francisco, to serve as our annual Visiting Professor. His visit represents our

11th visiting professorship and the first named in honor of Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D.

A tentative schedule for his visit follows. If for nothing else, please be sure to mark your calendars for dinner at the Bay Tower Room (60 State Street, 33rd Floor) on Thursday evening, October 18. Your significant other is also invited. For special food requests, please notify Kay at 617-732-4353.

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Visiting Professor: Schedule

8:30 - noon

Thursday, October 18

MGH: Research presentations to Dr. Boushey. Visit with faculty and fellows.

Noon – 1 p.m. Dr. Boushey's research presentation: *Studies of Rhinovirus in Asthma Exacerbations* (Walcott

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Conference Room)

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Visit with Dr. Scott Weiss and staff, Channing Laboratory

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Visit with Dr. Jeffrey Fredberg and staff, HSPH

7:00-10:00~p.m. Dinner at Bay Tower Room

Friday, October 19

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. BWH: Breakfast (Ingram Library)

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. Research presentations to Dr. Boushey (Ingram Library)

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Clinical case presentations (Ingram Library)

Noon - 1:00 p.m. BWH Medical Grand Rounds (Bornstein Family Amphitheatre): New Targets for Asthma

Therapy: Problems and Progress

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch (Ingram Library)

Autumn Asthma Fair

For the past 6 years, Partners Asthma Center has sponsored an informal Autumn Asthma Fair. It has been held in the atrium of the ambulatory building at Brigham and Women's Hospital and consists of several tables ("booths") set up to share literature (including Partners Asthma Center books, pamphlets, and newsletters), demonstrations, videos, and supplies (peak flow meters and spacers) with persons with asthma. The

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, New England Chapter, has joined us with a booth, as have the Community Asthma Program (more on this project in another newsletter) and the Brigham's Asthma Research Center. We notify our patients about the Fair through our *Breath of Fresh Air* newsletter, and we try to attract the general public by posting fliers at Neighborhood Health Centers and elsewhere.

This year we will have a new venue: Roxbury Community College's Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center, 1350 Tremont Street, Boston. The date is Saturday, October 20th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We would of course very much welcome your participation.

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Who We Are

We are physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, respiratory therapist, and computer expert. We are allergists, pulmonologists, and both. We are clinicians, basic scientists, and both. We are pediatricians and internists. We practice at the Mass General, Brigham, Faulkner, and Newton-Wellesley Hospitals, with various combinations thereof. We are committed to improving the care of persons with asthma and with related allergic and pulmonary diseases. We collaborate in our patient care and in our research.

I have not included phone and fax numbers or e-mail addresses because this information is readily available in various Partners Directories on all of our hospital-based computers.

We do have a central 800 phone number, e-mail address, and web site, as follows:

Phone: 1-800-9PARTNERS
E-mail: asthma@partners.org
Web site (in need of updating): www.asthma.partners.org

Brigham and Women's Hospital

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