

Partners Asthma Center Faculty Newsletter

Excellence in asthma care for children and adults



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Hospital*

*Massachusetts General
Hospital*

Faulkner Hospital

*Newton-Wellesley
Hospital*

*North Shore Medical
Center*

Partners Asthma Center Launches The Fellows' Asthma Forum

Imagine fellows in training with a shared interest in asthma coming together to give presentations regarding their research or a clinical interest in asthma and related diseases. Imagine that fellows in both pulmonary medicine and allergy would participate, and that faculty from both Brigham and Women's and Mass General Hospitals would join in their discussions.

Your imaginings became reality on June 25 with the first session of **Fellows' Asthma Forum**, organized by Dr. Nora Barrett (former fellow in both Allergy and Pulmonary Medicine ... see page 3).

Partners Asthma Center's ***Fellows' Asthma Forum***

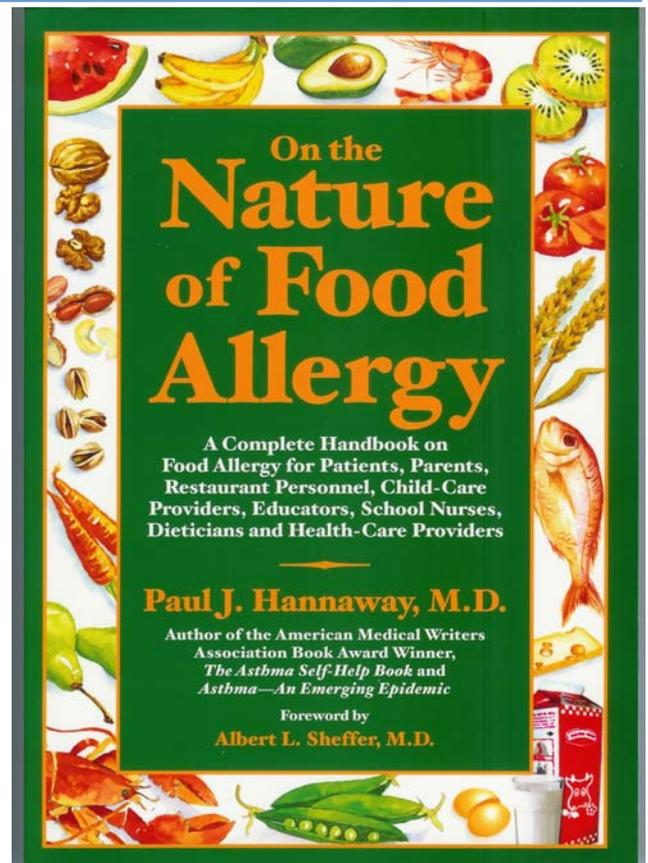
For the inaugural session, Dr. Barrett presented "Dendritic Cell Production of Cysteinyl Leukotrienes" (from the laboratory of Drs. Yoshihide Kanaoka and K. Frank Austen) and Dr. Sunita Sharma presented "Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF) Polymorphisms and Childhood Asthma" (from the laboratory of Drs. Benjamin Raby and Scott Weiss). Future sessions of Fellows' Asthma Forum will be held on the following Monday evenings, 5:30-7:00 p.m. (with dinner): **October 1** and **December 3, 2007** and **February 4, April 7, and June 23, 2008**. The venue will vary between the BWH and MGH. All are invited to attend.



Congratulations to Paul Hannaway, M.D. on Your Latest Publication

Paul Hannaway, M.D. is an award-winning author of books on asthma and allergies for the general public. His latest publication, *On the Nature of Food Allergy*, was released earlier this year by Lighthouse Press. Dr. Albert Sheffer, who wrote the Foreword, describes the book as “accurate, up-to-date, and provocative.” It “provides valuable instruction and information for health-care professionals, school nurses and school-teachers, and food handlers and restaurateurs.”

Dr. Hannaway has also written *The Asthma Self-Help Book*; *Asthma: An Emerging Epidemic*; and *What to Do If the Doctor Says Its Asthma*.



Asthma Grand Rounds Podcasts



Make good use of your iPod. Go to www.asthma.partners.org and click on *Podcasts*. (If need be, download iTunes7 onto your computer for free.) You can then download any of five available *Asthma Grand Rounds* lectures onto your computer and iPod and subscribe to the entire series of forthcoming AGR podcasts.

Other Partners Asthma Center News

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Friday, September 7: Asthma Grand Rounds
Difficult Asthma: Building Consensus on
Assessment and Treatment

Drs. Arm, Haver, Israel, Levy, Long, and MacLean



Thursday, October 11: Visiting Professorship
Dinner at Seaport Hotel, Boston
with Visiting Professor Erika von Mutius, M.D.



Thursday, November 1: Wine and Food Gala
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Cambridge

Welcome, Nora Barrett, M.D.

Partners Asthma Center is pleased to have Nora Barrett, M.D. join our ranks. Dr. Barrett has completed her fellowships in Pulmonary Medicine and Allergy in the Partners programs and this year joins the faculty in the Division of Rheumatology, Immunology, and Allergy at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Her research interests include the study of dendritic cell function in asthma.





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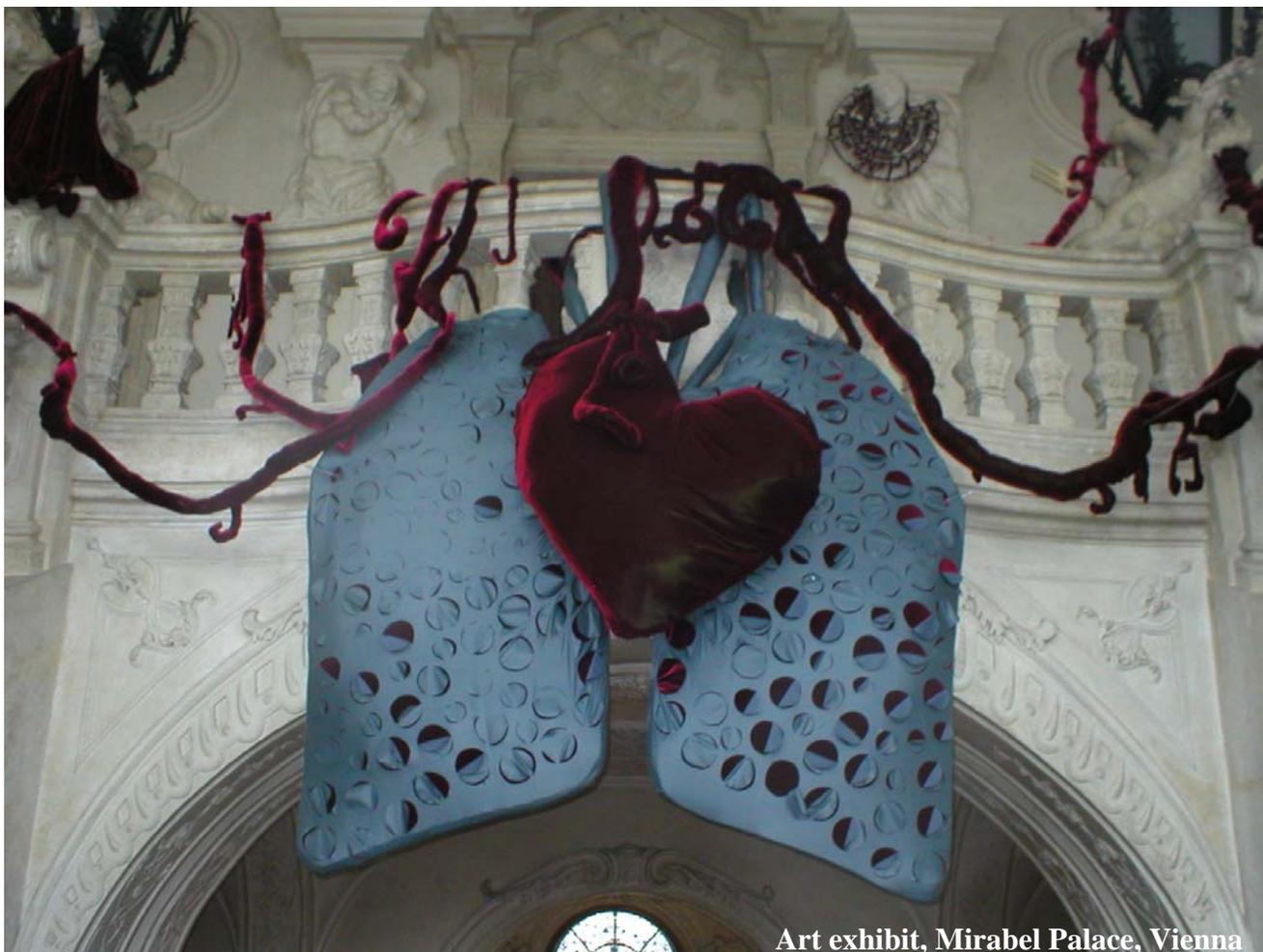
Save the Dates

Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor Dinner

Thursday, October 11

Wine and Food Gala and Silent Auction

Thursday, November 1



Art exhibit, Mirabel Palace, Vienna