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Multiple New Awards and Prizes To Be Given At 3rd North American Congress of Epidemiology in Montreal Next June

Individuals Can Submit Their Own Achievements And Be Considered For The Awards by March 1, 2011

The organizers of the North American Congress of Epidemiology which include more than 20 sponsoring or co-sponsoring associations of epidemiologists have lined up 8 awards for contributions to epidemiology to be given at the upcoming Congress of Epidemiology in Montreal in June 2011. According to the University of Georgia's John Vena, chair of the Awards committee, the awards will be given for distinguished work in epidemiology by working scientists as well as by students and for outstanding training by

sponsors of a degree-granting program or other training program in epidemiology.

Distinguished Scientist Awards

Four awards have been created to recognize current contributors to the field and named in honor of scholars and pioneers in the field, including Abraham Lilienfeld, Bernard Greenberg, Harold Dorn, and Alfred Evans. The four awards will be for the following contributions:

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Brown University Epidemiologist David Savitz Delivers Lecture On Public's Love/Hate Relationship With Epidemiology

The concept is intriguing---the public-at-large simultaneously loves and hates epidemiology. What does that mean? How do they love and hate at the same time? Faculty and students at Drexel University's School of Public Health, had a chance to find out last month by attending a Grand Rounds lecture given by Brown University epidemiologist David Savitz. In a talk entitled "The Public's Love/Hate Relationship With Epidemiology---The Burden of Being Relevant".

Distinguishing Characteristics

Savitz at the outset made clear some of the distinguishing characteristics of epidemiology -- 1) it takes place in the

real world rather than the laboratory, 2) the reasons its results matter are readily apparent, 3) its results are relatively accessible for educated persons, and 4) its results can guide health decisions both at the individual and collective levels.

Benefits/Love

For these reasons, according to Savitz, the public is willing and able to participate in epidemiologic studies, provide funding for studies, and it is often receptive to the interventions called for by the results of epidemiologic investigations. The media provides

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1. Lilienfeld award for overall excellence in epidemiology including teaching, research, and service.
2. Greenberg award for excellence in methods development and application.
3. Dorn award for translation of epidemiologic evidence into public health policy and practice with measurable impact
4. Evans award for excellence in teaching and mentoring in epidemiology.

Recipients will receive a plaque, a \$1000 cash award, and the opportunity to present as part of a plenary session during the Congress.

Student Prizes

Three student prize papers will be selected from the more than 50 papers which have been submitted, according to Vena. These three prizes will be given in honor of Abraham Lilienfeld, Reuel Stallones, and Carol Buck. The three awards will be for the following contributions:

1. Lilienfeld prize for contributions to general epidemiology.
2. Stallones prize for contributions to methods
3. Buck prize for contributions to global health.

Recipients will receive financial assistance to attend the Congress and to present a paper at the meeting.

Training Program Award

The eighth award is named in honor of Alexander Langmuir and will be for an outstanding degree-granting or other training program. According to the Congress website, Langmuir gave definition to the science of epidemiology as applied to worldwide public health problems, and the award will recognize a school, training program, or series of courses that has developed and

implemented creative offerings that effectively train future leaders in epidemiology.

In an interview with the Epi Monitor, Vena explained that the criteria for selecting the winners of the awards are listed with the information for each award on the website. He emphasized that the judges would use a scoring system to evaluate the award nominees and that the award committee would seek to arrive at a consensus for each award guided by the results of the scoring system. He reiterated that individuals can self-nominate for the awards and that the source of the nominations – self or other – would have no bearing on the evaluators.

Details about the awards criteria and submission instructions can be found on the Congress website at
<http://www.epicongress2011.org/awards.html>

Who's Who in Epidemiology

The website for the 3rd North American Congress of Epidemiology provides a profile of each of the epidemiology pioneers in whose honor one of the eight awards will be given at this year's Congress. For readers who are unfamiliar with these leaders in epidemiology, we include below some of the more revealing excerpts from the biographical write ups describing the personalities involved.

Abraham Lilienfeld

"...A scholar and pioneer in the field, who is remembered for his transformation of epidemiology from a discipline limited to infectious diseases to one concerned with the full spectrum of diseases that result in unnecessary mortality and morbidity, whatever the cause... Abe was a tireless advocate for students...particularly known for his vibrant teaching, his lack of self-interest,

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Highly Praised New Sundance Film Features Epidemiologist Trying To Understand The Causes Of A Strange Outbreak

Reviewer Calls Epidemiology "One Of The Most Relevant Facets Of Medical Science"

"It is without a doubt that we've seen the best, most effective and affecting movie of the festival." That's how one of the many reviewers expressed his assessment of "Perfect Sense", a new film recently screened at the annual Sundance film festival. The movie stars Ewan McGregor and Eva Green. It is the story of a chef and an epidemiologist who fall in love as an epidemic begins to rob people of their sensory perceptions. Below are excerpts of synopses of the film which were prepared by MTV and Screenrave.com, along with some additional reviewer comments.

The Plot - Version 1

Green plays Susan, an epidemiologist recently out of a relationship gone sour; McGregor is Michael, the charismatic chef who sweeps Susan off her feet ...At the same time Susan and Michael are falling for each other, a global pandemic is threatening to change the face of humanity forever. And Susan, in her job as an epidemiologist, is right at the center of it all. When a truck driver in Glasgow experiences a sudden inexplicable crying fit and subsequently loses his sense of smell, Susan learns that more than 100 other people across Europe have been stricken...As more and more people around the globe begin to suffer these strange symptoms that first attack their emotions and then their symptoms, Susan and Michael are forced to try and weather the storm and find out how the human race might cope with such a pandemic.

The Plot - Version 2

The film tells " the story of a worldwide epidemic which robs people of their senses, one at a time. There is no cure,

no understanding of how it transmits, and it affects populations nearly simultaneously. Furthermore, one of the symptoms of this disease is that the loss of a sense is preceded by an intense emotional impulse. Before people lose their sense of smell, they are struck by a crippling sense of sadness and despair...

...The film's story is framed in the reluctant romance of a chef named Michael (McGreggor), and an epidemiologist named Susan (Green). The two of them are at the center of the crisis in different ways: while Susan struggles in vain to solve the puzzle of this illness, Michael must deal with the consequences; when people lose their sense of smell or taste, Michael must adapt his craft to provide a particular experience which is imperative to human interaction: dining. But the crux of the story is found in their relationship. As the epidemic worsens, they grow closer, in order to distract themselves from the impending doom humanity faces. Their ability to connect on an emotional level provides a modicum of comfort, and they must also take advantage of their sense of touch while it still exists. Yet throughout the whole ordeal, they both carry the scars of tragic relationships from earlier in life, and must open themselves to the other in order to connect.

Comments

This is not a fun movie-going experience...This is a horror film. It is an examination of the collapse and end of humanity. The fact that it doesn't feature a killer, monster, or grimy torture chamber doesn't change the fact

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"...a worldwide epidemic which robs people of their senses, one at a time."

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his willingness to help others, and his unwavering devotion to advancing overall public health science."

Bernard Greenberg

"...an early innovator in data analysis, pioneering in developing multivariate approaches to epidemiologic data and in sampling populations to conduct epidemiologic studies... Of particular note is his work on matching in 1953, and an early exploration of confounding...He was among the first biostatistician-epidemiologists... established the paradigm for the conduct of multi-center collaborations among academic medical centers in epidemiologic data collection and analyses, a major contribution to modern epidemiology...It is difficult to imagine epidemiology today without his key contributions to its development.

Harold Dorn

A noted demographer-epidemiologist, Dorn was the founder of the intramural epidemiology programs at the NCI and, later, at the NHLBI. He directed the National Cancer Institute's First and Second National Cancer Surveys in 1937 and 1947, respectively, establishing the foundation for the current SEER Program (developing the concept of modern population-based chronic disease surveillance, including the issues of under diagnosis, underreporting, etc)...Dorn's seminal 1955 work on cancer survivorship with S. Cutler established the concept and opened it to epidemiologic investigation...Dorn's seminal work in epidemiology (among which was the establishment of the field within the National Institutes of Health) has never been recognized by the field.

Alfred Evans

"...a pioneer in viral epidemiology at Yale University, who influenced generations of epidemiologists through

his summer session teaching in the 1960s and 1970s...He was particularly known for his style of wit and humor that was beloved by all who were fortunate enough to have experienced his teaching or received his guidance. Evans was an epidemiologist with a research focus on infectious diseases. Evans conducted the seminal work in the epidemiologic demonstration the role of Epstein-Barr virus in the development of infectious mononucleosis and in lymphomas...Arguably the first historian of modern epidemiology, he was the doyen of research about causal inference in epidemiology...His efforts in this regard bridged the divide (some would say chasm) which had developed between epidemiologists interested in infectious diseases and those with a chronic disease bent.

Reuel Stallones

"...outstanding teacher and scholar of epidemiology, and pioneer leader of epidemiologic research and innovative methods...A charismatic, gregarious advocate for students, Stony developed training programs and ultimately a school that was based on the notion that learning was fun, while noting the efforts needed to understand the meaning of data collected in the field...He was never on prediction, he was always out there, just inspiring the pants off you, or scaring you with his way-out ideas, he didn't even have to travel to find these weird ideas, he just had them and threw them out. It was this spirit and this excitement and this always thinking a little bit differently, always approach problems differently, always questioning that I remember."

Carol Buck

"...an epidemiologist researcher who was recognized internationally for her passionate commitment to advancing

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CDC Documents Health Disparities in 22 Domains Hoping To Help Stimulate Action On Effective Interventions

If the facts alone ever speak for themselves, then the recent publication “CDC Health Disparities and Inequalities Report—United States 2011” speaks loudly about the need for public health action. In a comprehensive report, the CDC documented disparities in 22 domains affecting health and well-being, and grouped them into broad categories such as social determinants, environmental hazards, health care, preventive services, mortality, morbidity, and behavioral risk factors.

Among a few of the many clearcut disparities included in the report are:

- 1) The infant mortality rate in black women is 2.4 times greater than for white women, and the disparity has persisted for a long time. A key is thought to be finding a way to lower preterm births. One in five infants born to black women is preterm compared to only one in eight or nine born to white women.
- 2) Striking disparities in non-completion of high school were found across the US population with persons below the federal poverty level having the lowest completion.
- 3) American Indian/Alaska Natives have a death rate from motor vehicle accidents which at 29.1 per 100,000 is double that of the overall motor vehicle death rate of 14.5 deaths per 100,000 population.
- 4) Prescription drugs caused more of the 38,371 drug-induced deaths in 2007 than did illicit drugs. The highest rates are among whites.
- 5) Black men and women have significantly higher coronary heart disease death rates in the 45-74 age group than do white men and women. Sometimes these rates for CHD or stroke are double those of white counterparts.
- 6) The 2008 birth rate for Hispanic adolescents is 5 times greater than for

Asian/Pacific Islander populations, and 3 times the rate for white non-Hispanic adolescents.

This report joins a growing list of reports and initiatives that have documented the problem of health disparities. Included on this list are the National Healthcare Disparities Report and those of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, most recently, published in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

Internationally, the World Health Organization has sponsored a Commission on Social Determinants of Health and issued reports and recommendations. Another report from the National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities is expected from the Department of Health and Human Services in 2011.

All these reports have in common the depiction of numerous disparities across a wide range of health outcomes. Some have addressed the implementation of potentially effective interventions. Furthermore, the problem of health disparities has been skillfully depicted in a widely viewed seven part television documentary entitled “Unnatural Causes”. However, whether because of the complexity of the problem or the length of time needed to show an effect from changes in social policies or for other reasons, the evidence of progress in reducing disparities in recent times using known effective interventions appears to be sparse. The persistent differences in infant mortality among black and white infants in the US are an example. The reasons for this lack of progress are explored in the following article describing an interview with [Michael Marmot](#), epidemiologist who has spearheaded efforts on social determinants for the WHO and the United Kingdom. ■

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Michael Marmot Speaks Out On the Nature and Causes of Health Inequalities and the Obstacles to Closing The Gap

“The question is not really how much it costs but whether we are prepared to do things differently...”

Speaking at Yale University in New Haven last year, well-known social epidemiologist Michael Marmot discussed social determinants of health. In a separate interview with Yale School of Public Health Magazine, Marmot expressed his views on the nature and causes of health disparities and the obstacles to achieving more progress in reducing them. Excerpts from his interview are presented below.

According to Marmot, “Evidence shows that the magnitude of health disparities is not fixed. It changes over time and varies by region within countries. It can change, then potentially we can change it.

He added, “health inequalities arise from deep-seated social structures and processes. Narrowing the gap requires fundamental change. The question is not really how much it costs but whether we are prepared to do things differently...In the United States...most of the income benefits of economic growth have gone to the rich; society has become more unequal. This inequality is likely to be playing a role in health inequalities. Redistribution could be cost-neutral in straight money terms, but “costly” in the howls of rage from those who stand to lose a small part of the fantastic gains they have enjoyed over the last three decades, particularly since 2000.”

When asked if any countries had overcome health disparities, Marmot said none have that he knows of but that the Nordic countries have dramatically lower disparities than other areas. The view of the experts who have reviewed this topic recently is that a set of policies akin to those in the Nordic countries would lead to good health and narrower health inequalities.

Added Marmot, “If that goes against the grain of what Americans want from their democratic system, that is the choice they have to make. But do not paint the choice as between individual freedom and overweening state control. Freedom to wallow in poverty is not among those freedoms most cherished. ■

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human health. She promoted use of rigorous methods to identify and correct the causes and determinants of ill-health. Her work demonstrated a passionate commitment to advancing the health of the people by identifying and correcting the causes and determinants of ill-health, using the rigorous methods of epidemiology towards this end.”

Alexander Langmuir

Langmuir was visionary, clairvoyant, tenacious, and a dedicated public health leader who gave definition to the science of epidemiology as applied to worldwide public health problems...In 1949, Dr. Langmuir created a corps of epidemiologists at what is now the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta known as the Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS). Langmuir was globally acknowledged as the doyen of disease surveillance—recognition of his key role in the development of sentinel surveillance...A devotee of the epidemiologic work-up of the food-borne outbreak, he would emphasize the use of basic epidemiologic concepts such as the epidemic curve and secondary attack rates (when appropriate) as tools to identify the source of the outbreak...Though Langmuir is often cited as the father of modern infectious disease epidemiology, he was encouraging in the development of the

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New Book Provides A “Very Short Introduction” To Epidemiology”

Readable Text Sets Epidemiology In Perspective With Social Realities

A new book entitled simply “Epidemiology – A Very Short Introduction” has been written by Italian epidemiologist [Rodolfo Saracci](#). The handy book of just over a 100 pages is only slightly larger than an iPhone or about the size of a typical paperback novel, and has an attractive painting by artist [Philip Atkins](#) as its cover. It is part of an ongoing series of books being published by Oxford University Press under the designation “Very Short Introductions”. Over 200 volumes have been produced already on such varied topics as African History, neoliberalism, the philosophy of science, renaissance art, statistics, and world music with the library expected to grow to 300 titles.

The series has been promoted as “stimulating ways in to new subjects”. Epidemiologist reviewer [Tony McMichael](#) has called the Saracci book an “excellent discussion of the science, social role, and practice of epidemiology – with engaging insights into history, philosophy, and moral aspects of this central science of population health.”

In his preface, Saracci states that the book is intended to give readers insight into what makes a difference between an epidemiological tale, be it about a magic pill or a fearful virus, and scientifically sound epidemiological evidence. Readers of the *Epidemiology Monitor* will know that the answer to that question depends on the quality of the methods used, but Saracci’s experience is that other sectors of society are not so able to judge the evidence. He writes by way of explaining the potential value of this new book that ‘It is not only among the general public that a woolly

appreciation or even a frank misreading of epidemiology often surfaces, for instance in debates on risks or on the merit, real or imagined, of a disease treatment. In my experience, the same may occur with journalists, members of ethics committees, health administrators, health policy makers, and even with experts in disciplines other than epidemiology responsible for evaluating and funding research projects.” This book appears to have been written to help counter these failings.

Saracci intended to set epidemiology in perspective and he thoughtfully does this by reminding readers as recent world events testify that “today personal liberty for everybody is a dominant idea, value, and aspiration in society.” He links the idea of freedom to health by reminding readers that health is a prerequisite for being fully free, and asserts that advancing justice in health by reducing health disparities is the “acid test” of the value of epidemiology to health. To reinforce his point, Saracci ends his short readable introduction by quoting [John Rawls](#) that “Justice is the first virtue of social institutions as truth is of systems of thought”. He adds that both justice and truth are guiding lights for epidemiologists. ■

“I think the market is running way out in front of the science.”

“The one-day conference was extremely rewarding...”

"It takes a notion with a scientific basis, and leads it through a logical progression of events."

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first cadre of chronic disease epidemiologists—including their research focus on non-infectious diseases--during the 1950s and early 1960s... Langmuir was a fierce advocate of the key role held by epidemiology in preventing the spread of diseases...He is credited with saving hundreds of thousands of lives through his innovations in controlling epidemics and teaching cadres who became leaders in epidemiology. ■

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that there is a visceral response to the absolute terror of the situation at hand... Incidentally, the film should be considered science fiction to a certain degree...It takes a notion with a scientific basis, and leads it through a logical progression of events. Epidemiology is one of the most relevant facets of medical science, and this film acknowledges that. As allegorical as this scenario may be, its progression and the way it is handled by those whose job it is to deal with these matters in the film maintains an element of rational truth. ■

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attention which can sometimes be ego-gratifying, and in some circles the public harbors considerable respect and admiration for the profession. In some people's minds, "we're big stuff," said Savitz.

Disappointments/Hate

However, the ways in which epidemiologists can disappoint are no less numerous--- 1)epidemiologic controversies are slow in being brought to closure, and 2) findings can be unstable when new results upset previously created policies, for example those related to mammography screening. Additionally, 3) experts often disagree in public forums and thereby confuse the public, 4) epidemiologists

can raise fears about things people enjoy, and 5) sometimes conflicts of interest cause epidemiologists to lose actual or perceived objectivity. Finally, 6) epidemiology can sometimes be disconcerting to the public if findings do not conform with what is believed or "known" to be true from other sources.

Public Impact on Epidemiology

Savitz also discussed the ways in which the public attention can negatively influence epidemiologists. He raised suspicions about epidemiologists who always appear to produce results which support particular public policies and about the temptation to pander for fame or fortune in the form of media attention or research funding. In his opinion, which he was careful to note was personal, some scientists have an incentive to overstate epidemiologic findings to justify appropriate policy action rather than making the case without strong epidemiologic support. He cited some health effects of environmental tobacco smoke as an example.

Scientists may also understate the findings in order to perpetuate a controversy, according to Savitz. He called this a failure to provide justifiable reassurance. He suggested that cell phones and brain cancer might be in this latter category.

Different Views About The Pump Handle

Savitz focused on the challenges epidemiologists face in managing their dual roles as scientists and as members of the public health community. In Savitz's view, gathering valid data, sharing it, and explaining it carefully are paramount for epidemiologists. He described epidemiologists who have

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another view, namely that epidemiologists have a responsibility not only to gather data, but to also help "remove the pump handle".

This more encompassing view about the role of epidemiologists is on display in the conclusion of the new book by Rodolfo Saracci reviewed in another section of this month's Epi Monitor. Saracci quotes John Rawls to remind his colleagues that epidemiologists have the dual aims of serving justice as well as truth. Many other epidemiologists have supported this vision that helping actively to solve public health problems as fully as feasible is the core aim of epidemiology. In fact, Saracci asserts that advancing justice in health by reducing health disparities is the "acid test" of the value of epidemiology to health.

Risks and Benefits

Savitz stated he believes the benefits of having the same person generate AND apply knowledge are outweighed by the problem of "cross-contamination" of both evidence and policy. It is appealing but impractical to both discover and intervene to solve a problem, according to Savitz. He voiced his concern that epidemiologists undertaking to contribute more actively to solving public health problems may not understand adequately how complicated that is, and his preference is to leave policy making to policy makers. "I believe more in a specialized world," said Savitz, where the data gathering is separated from the determination of what to do about the data.

Lessons For Epidemiologists

From his experience, Savitz closed by describing several general lessons for epidemiologists engaged in the real world.

1. Be clear at the outset about what epidemiologists can and cannot offer. It is not public health service or advocacy, it's just research. It's the best we've got.
2. Focus on whether or not the answer to the question being posed will provide information that can truly help.
3. Research results are not predictable. Do not presume the results will support a particular cause.
4. Be willing to discourage the use of epidemiology when it is truly not capable of being part of the solution.
5. Guard against advocacy-based epidemiology. It misleads advocates and compromises epidemiologists.

He closed by saying there is a vital role for epidemiologists in public health, and that role includes generating and interpreting evidence dispassionately, clearly explaining research methods and findings, and investing resources to truly answer the questions worth answering. ■

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3. Chronic Diseases & Underlying Causes

- *KT Khaw* - University of Cambridge, School of Clinical Medicine, UK
- *Professor Dr Nuntavarn Vichit-Vadakan, Dr.P.H.* - Dean: Environmental Health, Epidemiology, Faculty of Public Health, Thammasat University, Thailand
- *Dr Narendra K. Arora* - MD FAMS Executive Director, INCLEN and CHNRI, India will deliver a plenary session on Convergence of Economics with Health: A Case for Chronic Diseases Prevention in Low and Middle Income Countries
- *Professor Liming Li* - Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences, China

4. Neglected Conditions

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For full consideration, applicants should submit a letter of application clearly indicating how they meet the qualifications and their research interests and future research plans; a current curriculum vitae, and contact information for three references. For best consideration candidates should submit their application by January 15, 2011. Review of applications will begin until the position is filled. For the full announcement, additional information and to submit applications electronically go to: <https://jobs.umd.edu>. Position number 105990 is listed under faculty section. If you have any questions, please email Karen L. Mackey – KLMACKEY@UMD.EDU.

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**Chief, Surveillance Systems Branch
Surveillance Research Program
Division of Cancer Control
and Population Sciences**

The National Cancer Institute, located within the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is accepting applications for the position of Chief, Surveillance Systems Branch (SSB) to provide leadership for this program that researches and reports public health data. SSB manages the **Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program**, an authoritative population-based system of cancer data collection and reporting. The Branch conducts research and developmental activities related to the surveillance of cancer patterns in the United States in order to monitor progress against cancer. It also conducts analyses, and provides interpretation of the data. SSB actively consults with other government, private, and public organizations; prepares regular reports, geographical summaries, and journal articles; and responds to many requests for information on national cancer statistics. The Branch includes a Quality Improvement team that conducts studies to evaluate the quality and completeness of registry data, and promotes adherence to national and international standards.

SEER has served as a premier resource for decision-making related to cancer for over 30 years. The challenges of the next decade include changes in infrastructure, resources, and policy. For example, we anticipate expansion of information technology systems for data management and eHealth applications and continued development of a national cancer surveillance enterprise, working through partnerships with both public and private organizations.

The successful candidate must have experience in biostatistics, management of multi-center research studies, and organization of collaborative biomedical research. Of particular interest are the candidate's achievements within professional or other collaborative organizations through participation in and leadership of goal-oriented groups and committees. Experience in epidemiology, operations research, and cancer research is not mandatory but desired. Analytic skills are required, as demonstrated by published articles in peer-reviewed journals. Knowledge of computer systems and software development is desirable, but not required. This position is subject to a background investigation and U.S. citizenship is required. Salary \$123,000 - \$155,500. Located in Rockville, MD, near Washington, DC. Excellent benefits. DHHS and NIH are equal opportunity employers. Please send a cover letter briefly summarizing your experience and interests along with your CV to Judith Swan at js60v@nih.gov, Surveillance Research Program, National Cancer Institute, 301-435-4958.

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Job Opportunity
Faculty Position in Women's Health (Assistant Professor)
The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB) is recruiting to fill a faculty position in UTMB's Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Women's Health (CIRWH). Candidates with a background in socio/behavioral science or epidemiology/biostatistics with a primary interest in women's health issues are invited to apply. Research strengths of CIRWH faculty include reproductive health, risk behaviors, family planning, obesity and substance use.

UTMB was established in 1891 as the first academic health center in Texas and is among the oldest in the nation. It includes four schools (Medicine, Nursing, Health Professions, and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences), three institutes for advanced study, a major medical library, a network of hospitals and clinics, and numerous research facilities. UTMB is one of four health sciences centers in the University of Texas system.

The successful candidate is expected to develop an independent research program in women's health which will include obtaining extramural funding. There will also be an opportunity to teach and mentor postdoctoral fellows in Reproductive Health. In addition to UTMB's CIRWH, there will be opportunities to collaborate with faculty in the Institute for Translational Sciences as well as other university related programs.

Applicants must have a doctoral degree (PhD or DrPH) in a social science, epidemiology, demography, public health, or related field. Candidates must have relevant postdoctoral experience and show promise of ability to develop an independent research program in women's health.

The position will start on or before September 1, 2011 contingent on receipt of funding. Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest with description of experience, research interests, and career goals in women's health issues, along with their curriculum vitae and contact information for three professional references. Send materials to the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Abbey B. Berenson (abberens@utmb.edu).

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ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
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The Department of Epidemiology, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh invites applications for a full-time faculty position at the level of Assistant Professor (Public Health Practice Track). This position is available immediately and requires a doctoral degree and extensive experience in Public Health and/or lifestyle behavioral modification. A nursing background with basic epidemiology training is preferred. The successful candidate will be responsible for developing translational research relevant to lifestyle intervention and the development of community program providing lifestyle intervention. The individual will submit independent research grants, publish manuscripts and be responsible for all aspects of large epidemiologic studies including staff training and supervision, protocol adherence, quality control, participant follow-up, and data collection, management, and analysis. The successful candidate will also have a major contribution to teaching within the lifestyle/behavioral epidemiology program. This position is outside of the tenure stream and is funded by grants from the National Institutes of Health and the department. Salary will be commensurate with experience. Applications will be reviewed until position is filled. Send letter of intent, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to: Position #0128520, c/o D. Bushey, Department of Epidemiology, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15261.

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The University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, TX is accepting applications for one postdoctoral fellow interested in pursuing an academic career in women's health research. This 2-year NIH funded fellowship provides formal and informal training in theory and methods as well as practical experience in conducting clinical research. Program faculty include national experts in statistics, epidemiology, and women's health who can offer many opportunities to participate in data analysis, manuscript preparation, and grant writing in a collaborative environment.

Who may apply: Applicants who have completed a MD, PhD, or equivalent degree in epidemiology, biostatistics, public health or related field and have a strong interest women's health. Must be US citizen, non-citizen national or permanent resident and able to commit full time effort to the program for 2 years.

To apply, send 1) a personal statement including career goals, a brief description of proposed research, and how this training will help achieve your career goals; 2) a current CV; and 3) 3 letters of reference to:

Abbey Berenson, MD, MMS at abberens@utmb.edu



Statistician, Tenure-Eligible or Tenure-Track Investigator Position, National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

The Radiation Epidemiology Branch (REB, <http://dceg.cancer.gov/reb>, Chief, Dr. Martha Linet), a component of NCI's intramural Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics (DCEG), is recruiting a statistician to develop an independent research program focusing on development of statistical models that incorporate dose uncertainties, that provide cancer risk projections for low-dose exposures, that can be used to estimate radiation-induced lifetime risks, that quantify the effect of key modifiers on radiation-related cancer risks, or that provide mathematical formulations of biological models for radiation carcinogenesis.

Current REB research includes studies of late effects of radiological diagnostic examinations, radiotherapy, occupational exposures, or nuclear fallout from above-ground tests, military sources (Japanese atomic bomb survivors) or radiation accidents (Chernobyl). REB is also evaluating late health effects of new radiation technologies in medicine including the estimation of doses, extremely low-frequency and radio-frequency electromagnetic field exposures, and ultraviolet radiation. In addition, REB studies are examining gene-radiation interaction in studies of breast and thyroid cancer, etiologic and genetic studies (including genome-wide association studies) of brain tumors and thyroid cancer, and the development of various strategies for reconstructing historical radiation doses of medical radiation workers and populations exposed to environmental, military, and accidental sources of radiation exposure. Challenges for the statistician include modeling the excess relative and absolute risk as a function of dose, evaluating the modifying effects of dose-rate and type of radiation, addressing effects on risk estimates of uncertainties from complex dosimetry systems, developing appropriate analytic approaches for special study designs, identifying and describing gene-environment interaction, and developing strategies to identify true associations in genome-wide scans for disease-producing genetic variants. REB investigators are encouraged to collaborate with scientists in other parts of the DCEG, including members of the Biostatistics Branch and the Human Genetics Program.

Candidates must have a doctorate in biostatistics, statistics, mathematics or a related discipline (with additional post-doctoral experience in statistics). They must have at least two years of post-doctoral research experience and an established record of publications that demonstrates their ability to apply cutting edge, appropriate statistical models and analyze and interpret data from radiation epidemiology studies. They should also have knowledge of and demonstrated capacity to apply state-of-the-art statistical and epidemiologic methods in at least one of the following areas of research: risk assessment, measurement (dosimetry) errors, genetic susceptibility in relation to radiation carcinogenesis, or mechanisms of radiation carcinogenesis. Collaboration with epidemiologists, dosimetrists, health or medical physicists, radiologists, and laboratory investigators is central to the success of our research. Candidates must document the strong verbal and written communication skills that will be required to write effective research papers, present work at scientific meetings, and convey information clearly to staff, collaborators, consultants and contractors. Candidates must also be sufficiently experienced to function independently, both in the development of their own research efforts and in the mentoring and supervision of less experienced investigators. Appropriate office space and resources will be provided.

Salary is competitive and commensurate with research experience and accomplishments, and a full Civil Service package of benefits (including retirement, health insurance, life insurance, and a thrift savings plan) is available. Candidates may be eligible for the NIH Loan Repayment Program (<http://www.LRP.NIH.gov>). This position is not restricted to U.S. citizens. Interested individuals should send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, brief summary of research interests, experience and future plans, copies of no more than 5 selected publications and three letters of reference to:

Ms. Judy Schwadron
 Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics
 National Cancer Institute
 6120 Executive Blvd., Room EPS 8073
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 Email: schwadrj@mail.nih.gov

The closing date of the advertisement is April 15, 2011. A completed package of your application is required in order to be considered for this position.

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**Cardiovascular Disease
Epidemiologist/Health Services Researcher
(Open Rank)**

Kaiser Permanente Southern California

Kaiser Permanente Southern California (KPSC) is searching for candidates for an exciting research position for cardiovascular disease epidemiologic/health services research. This is an open-rank position for a doctorally-prepared epidemiologist, pharmacoepidemiologist or health services researcher.

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KPSC is currently conducting a number of cardiovascular disease epidemiologic studies, and is actively engaged in the Cardiovascular Research Network (CVRN), funded by NHLBI, that provides a network of over 7 million covered lives.

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The successful candidate will be expected to develop an independent research program of research and to collaborate within and outside the Department. The researcher will incrementally establish and maintain external funding for his/her research agenda within a 3 to 5 year period.

A description of the Department of Research & Evaluation is available on the web (<http://kp.org/research>). It is the home to 18 doctorally prepared investigators and over 160 support staff. The Department is located in Pasadena, a community of 134,000 residents and the home of the California Institute of Technology, the Rose Bowl, the Jet Propulsion Lab, and other historical and cultural sites. Information about the community can be found on-line at www.pasadenacal.com/visitors.htm. Pasadena is in the San Gabriel Valley 15 minutes north of downtown Los Angeles in sunny southern California.

Interested candidates should submit their letter of interest, CV and references to Dr. Steven J. Jacobsen (c/o Jennifer.X.Wong@kp.org). Principals only.

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Associate/Full Professor of Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology

**Department of Epidemiology and Population Health and
Wilf Family Cardiovascular Research Institute
Albert Einstein College of Medicine**

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The successful candidate will have either a PhD in epidemiology or equivalent, or an MD with advanced training in epidemiology, strong verbal and written communication skills, relevant research and teaching experience, and a record of peer-reviewed publications. Rank will be commensurate with experience.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter describing their research and teaching experience, their full curriculum vitae, and a list of three referees, to:

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