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Medical News: Study finds weight-loss drug also blocks cholesterol absorption

Inside: Thomas Labé, critically acclaimed pianist, performs for OVATIONS!

Washington People: Pam Wise, a study in commitment to the Olin School

Eddy named Goldfarb Professor of Computational Biology

BY DAVID LINZEE

St. Louis retailer Alvin Goldfarb has established a professorship in computational biology in the genetics department at the School of Medicine. The recipient of the professorship is Sean R. Eddy, Ph.D.

"This chair will support Sean's work in an exciting new area that holds great potential for understanding the human genetic blueprint," Goldfarb said. He and his late wife, Jeannette Rudman Goldfarb, have had a long-standing relationship with the University.

"The Goldfarbs have done much to enhance the relationship between the St. Louis community and the University," said Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton. "Their vision and generosity have benefited many parts of campus. We are honored that Alvin's name will be attached to an endowed professorship for one of our outstanding young faculty members."

Eddy is developing new tools to probe the genome—the DNA that carries the genes and other structures that provide the blueprint for the body. Although genes that code for proteins have received the most attention, genes that perform other tasks also play vital roles. Eddy focuses on those that produce functional or catalytic RNAs, such as the RNAs that control ribosomes, cellular structures that synthesize proteins.

Chinese scholars visit as part of a project to codify Chinese law

BY ANN NICHOLSON

Soon after Wei Luo, J.D., left his homeland of China to pursue legal studies in the United States, he became fascinated by how American laws are classified by subject. Luo was convinced that such a codification of statutes and rulings would enhance the relation-ship between the Chinese law collection, the law library, and then use what I had learned to study the U.S. system in depth, to read through all the acts related to the subject, which may be complicated in different volumes of different classification systems.

By contrast, the United States has an advanced system of codification for all laws enacted by Congress, which are classified in the United States Code, and all regulations adopted by adminis-trative agencies, in the Code of Federal Regulations.

The Legal Cooperation Fund project will involve studying both countries' systems and using the U.S. system as either a model or a springboard for a new Chinese system.

Wei Luo, J.D., director of technical services for the School of Law (left), translates for Feng Qing, vice director of the Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, during a reception at the law school. Qing and other members of a Chinese delegation are partnering with the law library to improve the Chinese system of legal codification.

International studies center opens with major conference

BY ANN NICHOLSON

The School of Law is launching a new Institute for Global Legal Studies that will foster groundbreaking educational and research initiatives on a broad range of international issues. The institute officially will kick off Nov. 17-18 with an inaugural colloquium titled "The United Nations and the Protection of Human Rights" (see colloquium information, page 6).

The institute's director is Stephen T. Legomsky, J.D., D. Phil., the Charles F. Nagel Professor of International and Comparative Law and a renowned scholar in immigration, refugee and citizenship law and policy.

"Today, people, goods, services, information and capital all flow freely across international boundaries," Legomsky said. "From the Internet, e-mail and fax machines, to travel, migration, commerce and foreign relations, the story of the new millennium will be our ever-shrinking planet. The world's problems—and the problems entrusted to lawyers—will increasingly require international cooperation and international solutions."

The institute will draw on the expertise of law faculty and other international leaders and scholars, while promoting interaction among University students and faculty and their colleagues abroad. The institute's primary activity will be annual conferences and workshops on topics of contemporary global importance. Each conference will be attended by two years in advance by a different member of the law faculty, often in collaboration with other centers.

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Chinese/American collaboration — from page 1

Joint Committee on Legislative Research of the Missouri General Assembly in Jefferson City as well as the Office of the Federal Register and the Office of Law Revision Council in Washington, D.C. The next step will be to present a report on the findings to Chinese leaders and agencies for review, said Feng Qiu, a member of the Chinese delegation and vice director of the Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council of the People's Republic of China. The project with the School of Law is very meaningful for the future of the Chinese legal system," Qiu said. "It has been going very smoothly and is allowing us to establish close relations with the library and other important American officials. A new system will not only help China, but also help American businesses.

Berwick added: "As China has become more internationalized, it is necessary for business entities to know the current law, and right actions that can be very difficult to determine. "Our law library is the first and only academic institution to partner with the Chinese agencies in an attempt to assist them with what will be a huge undertaking given the vast quantities of Chinese laws," he continued. "From our perspective, it will be both a fascinating, scholarly and a practical endeavor."

Safety First

As part of fire safety week, a model dorm room — complete with a bed, dresser, curtains and clothing — was constructed by Facilities Planning and Management, was set abuzz to show how quickly a fire becomes deadly (left). After the Clayton Fire Department doused the flames, students peered in the windows of the mock dorm room to examine the damage (above). As part of the west fall activities, students also were taught how to use a fire extinguisher and watched the Clayton Fire Department perform a mock high-rise rescue.

Innovative food drive helps fight hunger in St. Louis

By Rachel Johannes

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Medical School Update

Added benefit

Researchers find weight-loss drug also blocks cholesterol absorption

BY JIM DRYDEN

Washington University School of Medicine investigators have shown that a weight-loss drug called orlistat can help prevent obesity by slowing and absorbing cholesterol in their food. They presented their findings Nov. 1 at the annual scientific meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Obesity (NAASO) in Long Beach, Calif.

"This is the first time a medication has been shown to block the absorption of cholesterol," said Samuel Klein, M.D., the Danforth Professor of Medicine and nutritional researcher. "The results from our study suggest that orlistat therapy in obese patients may have beneficial effects on blood cholesterol that are independent of its effects on body weight."

Previous clinical trials have shown that orlistat (commercially known as Xenical®) blocks the absorption of dietary fat so that obese patients who dieted and took orlistat lost more weight than those who dieted and took an inactive substance. In addition, those who lost weight while taking orlistat had lower blood cholesterol levels than those who slimmer down without the drug, said the researchers who led the study.

The results from large clinical trials found that obese subjects who lost weight by dieting and taking orlistat with meals had a greater reduction in blood cholesterol concentration than those who lost the same amount of weight by dieting without orlistat," said Klein, who also serves as director of the University's Center for Human Nutrition.

Klein and colleagues hypothesized that the drug might interact with the absorption of dietary cholesterol, just as it blocks absorption of dietary fat. So they studied cholesterol absorption in 20 volunteers, using a method developed by Richard E. Ostlund Jr., M.D., professor of medicine and co-investigator in this study.

"The technique we used involves oral and intravenous administration of non-radioactive, stable isotope tracers of cholesterol," Ostlund said. "It allows us to accurately measure absorption from a standard meal."

When test subjects ate the meal with orlistat, they absorbed 25 percent less cholesterol than when they ate the test meal without the drug. "Very Klein points out that lifestyle changes in diet and physical activity still are the cornerstones of obesity therapy. "Although orlistat and Xenical® can be used as additional tools to help selected patients successfully achieve long-term weight management, drug therapy should only be used as part of a comprehensive weight management program that includes exercise, dietary counseling, education about physical activity and behavior modification," he said.

Combining even a modest weight loss of five to 10 percent of body weight with lower levels of medication intake may lead to significant health benefits for obese patients," Klein said.

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Choi, elected to Institute of Medicine

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James A. Purdy, Ph.D., professor of radiation oncology, physics, received the 2000 Gold Medal Award from the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO) Oct. 24 at the society's annual meeting in Boston.

Established in 1958, ASTRO is the world's largest society of radiation oncologists and scientists. It has presented a gold medal annually since 1977 to highlight members' significant contributions to radiation oncology. Purdy is known for his work on radiation oncology quality assurance, high-precision and intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT). These precision treatments use computers to generate 3-D images of tumors and surrounding areas, allowing physicians to aim radiation at tumors while sparing normal tissue.

Purdy serves as associate director for quality assurance at the Washington University Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiological Research and Oncology Center and is chief of its physics research section. He also is director of the national 3-D Quality Assurance Center. The center, funded by a multiagency grant from the National Cancer Institute, is responsible for quality control of the national 3-D CRT clinical trials.

This work has resulted in more than 230 scientific articles and book chapters and given more than 80 invited lectures worldwide. In addition, Purdy has edited seven books, including "A Practical Guide to 3-D Planning and Conformal Radiation Therapy," published in May 1999. He also serves as senior physics editor for the International Journal of Radiation Oncology, Biology, and Physics.

Purdy is a past chairman of the Board of Chancellors of the American College of Medical Physics, a past president and former board member of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM). In 1996, he received the American Physical Society's national grant from the National Cancer Institute. He also was chief of physics for one of 3-D CRT clinical trials.

Dr. Dennis W. Choi, M.D., Ph.D., is one of 59 recipients of the fifth annual Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers. The award is the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. government on young professionals early in their research careers. Choi is an associate professor of pathology and assistant professor of biomedical engineering at the School of Medicine.

Choi, who was honored at a ceremony Oct. 24 at the White House, will receive up to a five-year grant to further their research.

President Bill Clinton established this prestigious award in February 1996 in an effort to maintain the United States' leadership position in science. According to the National Science and Technology Council, the award "recognizes some of the finest scientists and engineers who, while early in their research careers, show exceptional potential for leadership at the frontiers of scientific knowledge during the twenty-first century."

The National Institutes of Health nominated Dustin for this honor in recognition of his work in immunology. Since joining Washington University in 1993, Dustin has worked closely with others in the Department of Pathology to explore how cells in the immune system respond to foreign invaders. Together, they have begun to unravel the mystery of how the immune system decides which cells to attack.

Dustin and his colleagues have developed revolutionary imaging techniques that allow them to tap into the molecular basis of the immune response. "We've come with a long way from the simple method of examining the tissues to identify the immune response," Dustin said. "This allows us to create models that explore the fundamental processes of the immune system so that we can begin to effectively intervene."

At the moment, researchers are capable of studying groups of 10 to 20 molecules at a time. With this award, Dustin hopes to further improve experimental techniques in order to study individual molecules. Such a close glimpse into cellular communication will help researchers precisely understand how molecules respond to signals from other cells. This in turn will provide key information about how to help the system combat diseases.

Dustin receives presidential career award

BY GILA RECKESS

Dustin received the Gold Medal Award from the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology for his contributions to radiation oncology. Dustin, who is chair of the department of radiation oncology at Washington University, is recognized for his outstanding contributions to the field of radiation oncology.

"Dustin has been a leader in the field of radiation oncology, particularly in the area of 3-D conformal radiation therapy," said By Gila Reckess

Choi, elected to Institute of Medicine

Choi was born in Ann Arbor, Mich., and received a medical degree from Harvard Medical School in 1976 and a doctorate in molecular biology from the Korea Institute for Advanced Science and Technology in 1984. He also received a fellowship in neurology at Harvard Medical School in 1978.

After residency and fellowship training in neurology at Harvard, he joined the neurology faculty at Stanford University. In 1991, he came to Washington University, where he was named the Andrew B. and Gretchen W. Cappel Professor of Neurological Disorders and Stroke at the National Institutes of Health and is a founding co-chair of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

Dustin is completing his term as president of the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology, the 1994 Andrew B. and Gretchen W. Cappel Professor of Neurological Disorders and Stroke at the National Institutes of Health and is a founding co-chair of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

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Thomas Labé brings the Romantic Piano to Edison Theatre Nov. 18

Over the last decade, American pianist Thomas Labé has earned a reputation as one of the finest interpreters of the Romantic piano repertoire and as the foremost exponent of the music of the Near East. Labé will enjoy a rare opportunity to experience this virtuoso performer firsthand when Labé brings "The Romantic Piano" by Franck, Rachmaninoff and Africa. Since making his debut with the Houston and St. Louis audiences will enjoy a, Edison Theatre OVATIONS!

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**Gallery of Art receives major gift of 19th-century French caricature**

By ELAINE OTTEN

The Washington University in St. Louis recently received a major collection of 19th-century French caricature. The collection, a gift from Eric C. Carlson, professor of medieval art history and archivist at New York University (SUNY), will aid in the preparation of a seminar based on the collection. Students will participate in a seminar on French caricature recently given to the Gallery of Art.

"This is a wonderful gift he has given us," explained Elizabeth C. Childs, Ph.D., associate professor of art history and art/architecture, who was a colleague of Carlson's at SUNY from 1986 to 1992. "This is a wonderful gift he has given us."

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**Musical Events**

**On Stage**

**Friday, Nov. 10**

8 p.m. Performing Arts Dept. musical, "Tchaikovsky." Willamette: 205, 214, 18 p.m., Last Fling Invitational. Noon, 2576.

**Saturday, Nov. 11**

11:15 a.m. Catholic Mass. 362-6891.

**Sunday, Nov. 12**

6:30 p.m. Acoustic City Concert Series. Room 401 Anheuser-Busch Hall. 935-9191.

**Music**

**Sunday, Nov. 12**

6:30 p.m.Solaris Concerts. Music Classrooms Bldg., Tietjens Hall. 935-4914.

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**Sports**

**Saturday, Nov. 11**

1:15 p.m. Eleven Dive All-divisions Diving Invitational. Millstone Pool. 935-5220.

**Sunday, Nov. 12**

11 a.m. Swimming and Diving Tournament. 362-6891.
Goldfarb
New professorship established — from page 1

Today, we deeply regret the news that Alvin Goldfarb, who has been a prominent figure in the field of molecular biology and cancer research, has passed away. He made significant contributions to the scientific community and will be sorely missed.

Goldfarb, who graduated from the University of Chicago in 1964, was a leader in the field of molecular biology and had a profound impact on the scientific community. He made groundbreaking discoveries in the areas of gene regulation and cancer, and his work has had a lasting impact on the field.

Alvin Goldfarb was a dedicated researcher and teacher, and his legacy will continue to inspire generations of scientists. We extend our condolences to his family and friends, and to the scientific community as a whole.

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Eddy received his bachelor’s degree in biology from Calvin College in 1980 and his Ph.D. degree in molecular biology from the University of Colorado at Boulder in 1991.

Protection of human rights focus of law colloquium

The grand inaugural colloquium of the School of Law’s new International Law Institute will be on "The United Nations and the Protection of Human Rights." It will feature speeches and panel discussions by distinguished international statesmen and scholars. The event, which will be held Nov. 17-18 in the law school’s Bryan Cave Moot Court Room, is free and open to the public.

Patricia Wald, formerly a U.S. Court of Appeals judge for the D.C. Circuit and now a judge on the International Criminal Court for the former Yugoslavia, will open the event with the annual Elyxif Wright Lecture at 4 p.m. Nov. 17. The title of her address is "Human Rights in the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavias Crimes of Agn: New Law and Old Rights.”

The Nov. 18 session, which will run from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., will feature keynote speeches by Francis M. Deng and Richard J. Goldstone. Deng, former chairman of the Sudanese ambassador to the United States and former U.S. Secretary of State’s Special Representative for Internally Displaced Persons, goldstone, a member of the South African Constitutional Court, will present the annual Robert L. Dozier Lecture and an opening ceremony to dedicate the new institute. A reception will follow in the Janis Lee Read Reading Room.

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Introducing new faculty members

The following are among the new faculty members on the Hilltop Campus.

Notables

**Speaking of**

**John N. Drebak**, J.D., director of the School of Law's Center for International Studies, is a professor of law and professor of economics in Arts & Sciences, recently presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Interuniversity Social Science Council.

Shankar M.S. Astry, Ph.D., professor of mechanical engineering, recently received a three-year $494,000 grant from the Naval Air Warfare Center, for his project titled “Equal Channel Angular Extrusion Process: Novel Annealing Techniques.”

**Grealish Roman**, Ph.D., chair and professor of computer science, has been elected an ACM Fellow for 2023. He is a known expert in the area of computer science.

**Scott A. Minowitz**, M.P.S., professor of law, joined the law faculty as the Robert B. Greenfield Chair in Law.

**Eugene H. Johnson dies at 87**

**Evans Carlson Johnson** and his wife, **Martha Johnson**, both of St. Louis, have been named to the board of the Missouri Botanical Garden.

**Booth**

**B. G. Hansman**, assistant professor in the School of Architecture, has won an EMERITUS Excellence in Teaching Award. Hansman has been lauded for his work in the field of computer science, and for his contributions to the field of architecture.

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A sense of family, a study in commitment

Alumna Pam Wiese, who has spent the majority of her career at the University, accepts a new challenge to help the Olin School of Business realize its vision.

The latest of these is a new job at the Olin School of Business, where she has become director of special projects, a newly created position. She will work with Stuart I. Greenbaum, Ph.D., dean and Bank of America Professor, and other seniors managers in planning, organizing, and implementing new programs, including the Center for Management of Life Sciences, Digital Commercial Center at Olin, international partnerships and experiential learning programs. "Pam will be managing a number of our strategic initiatives," Greenbaum observed. "She is involved in our effort to develop a program in China, and she's involved in bringing our new building on line. She's an extraor-dinary manager, and we have her in a position where she is doing critically important work from on the ground school.

Wiese appreciates the affirmation it receives in her job. "At the University, I am balanced by a supportive environment and a solid management team that's the way it was at home," she said. "I'm not a huge risk taker, so this environment allows me to try new things while feeling well supported, both by outstanding mentors and others who watch, question, but who care.

Ambitious beginnings

Called a "lightning-fast study with a no-nonsense approach," Wiese joined the University community as a 17-year-old undergraduate when she enrolled in the 3/2 program, an accelerated plan to complete both her undergraduate and master's degrees in five years. Wiese finished both in four, with honors. "I came from a public high school in St. Louis. I got to experience things that my colleagues had studied differential equations in high school already," said Wiese. "It was very intimidating, but in a motivating way, not in a paralyzing way.

Direct, energetic and goal-oriented, Wiese was ready to take on the business world when she graduated in 1991. Instead, she and her classmates found a stale economy and few opportunities. Accepting what she thought would be a temporary position, Wiese joined the University Office of Undergraduate Admissions as an assistant director. Expecting a hiring pattern, Wiese instead found a string of destinations that challenged her for the next seven years. She was promoted to associate director of undergraduate admissions in 1994. In 1997, she returned to Olin as Greenbaum's special assistant. Since 1998, Wiese has served in director of admissions and financial aid for master of business administration (MBA) programs.

Wiese said that she remained with the University because she likes the culture, the community and the management team. "Those are all the reasons to get out of bed in the morning," she observed. Joseph P. Fox, associate dean and director of MBA programs, was her supervisor in the MBA office. He said Wiese's best characteristic is her natural enthusiasm and her knowledge of the University. "She knows this University far better than most people do," he noted. "She and the University have grown with one another. I think she's had an opportunity to get to know most of the major players, and she knows where to look, who to call, what to do and how to get stuff done. She's great at capitalizing on the assets that we have in place.

Fox added that Wiese's innovative style has helped develop new ways to reach out to prospective MBA students. "She is really good at using technology and information to make what we do both more effective and more efficient," Fox said.

"There's a lot of complexity to managing a system where you have 15,000 people a year who inquire about your program and you're trying to figure out how to stay in touch with all of them. But you need to make it appear that you're staying in touch with them one at a time. She thinks of new ways to do things and new things to do. She keeps everybody on their toes," Stephen D. Paris, a second-year Wood Leadership Fellow at Olin, first met Wiese at a "first year event" in Boston, a reception for admitted students. "Pam did a nice job of hitting strengths and showed why some weaknesses weren't as weak as they first appeared," said Paris, who later worked with Wiese in admissions.

"When I came through the process, Olin was by far the most professional and the most personal of any school that I visited. They made me feel welcome and wanted. That played a big role in my decision to come here, and Pam Wiese is a big part of that," Paris said. Wiese attributes much of the success enjoyed by the admissions program to Wiese, who developed a marketing plan to target admissions and then helped it through the outreach. "The plan kept the admissions staff in close communication with prospective students by expanded travel, mailing, campus campaigns and visitus. For the past two years, the school has increased the number of applications and the quality of students at a time when applications for other top programs decreased. Wiese and her colleagues used programs such as the Wood Leadership Fellows, which covers tuition, to attract bright new students such as Paris. And then they involve those students by taking them along on recruiting trips. "Students are excited about the school, and they are clearly one of our best selling points," Wiese said. "Quality students attract higher quality students."

Family affair

Wiese has found a sense of family at the University in more ways than one. Her enthusiasm for the school has lured her mother, Barbara Roth, administrative assistant in Arts & Sciences, and her husband, Steven Wiese, associate director-operations in network technical services, to campus jobs. "Washington University is a family business," she observed. "I was the first one to come to the University. I intended to go away to school, but absolutely fell in love with it."

"We encourage others to come here, and there has been a big part of what I've done personally and professionally," Wiese and her husband recently celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary. She and her husband have maintained the hobbies of Wiese's childhood. "Wiese is still interested in turtledove research. Her international collection includes turtles from Milan, Ghana, Paris, Barcelona and Rome. Travel is still a family hobby. Wiese and her family went to Spain for her parents' 50th wedding anniversary. "We go through spells of hiking, going to the mountains, doing all sorts of projects," said Wiese, whose life is filled with the consistency and stability she has enjoyed since her St. Louis childhood. "The economy has flourished since 1991, but Wiese said the University remains her best option. "I'm so invested in the successes of the school and the University — I feel great about the things that we do," she said. "There are so many new challenges here; it's just a matter of waiting for them to reveal themselves to me."

Pam Wiese, director of special projects, discusses programs within the Olin School of Business with Stuart I. Greenbaum, Ph.D., dean and Bank of America Professor.