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## Research Digest

March 2015

From the Division of Public Health Sciences, Department of Surgery  
Graham A. Colditz, MD, DrPH, *Chief*

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### Large cohort study finds no association between migraine and breast cancer risk



**| Cancer Prevention Research |**

Anke Winter, MD, MSc; et al.

Published in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*

[PubMed](#) | [Winter Profile](#)

### Qualitative study examines how African-American women define family and collect family health histories



**| Health Communication Research |**

Aimee James, PhD, MPH; Tess Thompson, MPH; et al.

Published in the *Journal of Health Communication*

[PubMed](#) | [James Profile](#)

### The war on tobacco is not over; tobacco control should be our highest priority for population health



**| Population Health Research |**

Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH

Editorial in *The New England Journal of Medicine*

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### Division News Briefs

- The Colon Cancer Community Partnership, part of the Program for the Elimination of Cancer Disparities (PECaD), will host its second annual Smart Health community education event on Saturday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Innovative Concept Academy in St. Louis. The event, called "**Knowledge is Power: Learning About Your Colon Health**," will feature short classes led by physicians, researchers and cancer prevention experts covering several topics: debunking cancer myths; colon health; 8 ways to prevent cancer; surviving cancer; nutrition and exercise; and more. This free event is open to all community members and includes lunch. For more information and to reserve a spot, email [pecad@wudosis.wustl.edu](mailto:pecad@wudosis.wustl.edu) or call (314) 747-0539. The Colon Cancer Community Partnership is led by division faculty member Aimee James, PhD, MPH, associate professor of surgery.
- *Faculty, trainees and staff interested in comparative effectiveness research, health policy and health outcomes:* Derek Brown, PhD, assistant professor at the Brown School of Social Work, is hosting a talk that focuses on the challenges and recent advances in the preference-based summary of health outcomes for health policy and decision analysis (i.e. QALYs and beyond). Benjamin M. Craig, PhD, associate professor of economics, University of South Florida, and associate member in health outcomes and behavior, Moffitt Cancer Center, will present



**ABOUT US**

This newsletter provides a select summary of research news from the Division of Public Health Sciences.

We are a team of researchers and clinicians dedicated to preventing disease, improving health outcomes, and promoting quality and access to health care.

The Division of Public Health Sciences is part of the [Department of Surgery](#).

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**"Challenges in Health Preference Research: Men, Women, and Children"** on **Wednesday, March 11, from 12 to 1 p.m.** in the Doll & Hill Teaching Room 2131 in the Taylor Avenue Building. This talk is open to all; no RSVP required. [Learn more.](#)

- *Epidemiology and Clinical Outcomes Research Seminar Series:* Join us on **Thursday, March 12, at 4:30 p.m.** in the Doll & Hill Teaching Room 2131 in the Taylor Avenue Building for a presentation from Jeffrey Peipert, MD, PhD, Robert J. Terry Professor and Vice Chair of Research, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Washington University School of Medicine. The talk is called **"The Contraceptive CHOICE Project: Reducing Unintended Pregnancies in St. Louis and Beyond."** [Learn more about the seminar series.](#)

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