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## Research Digest - September 2015

Division of Public Health Sciences, Department of Surgery, Washington University School of  
Medicine in St. Louis

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

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## Mentoring health researchers globally: Diverse experiences, programmes, challenges and responses



| **Health Disparities Research** |  
Joaquin Barnoya; et al.  
Published in *Global Public Health*  
[PubMed](#) | [Barnoya Profile](#)

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## Effect of weight loss on bone health in overweight/obese postmenopausal breast cancer survivors.



| **Epidemiology Research** |  
Adetunji Toriola, MD, PhD; Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH; et al.  
Published in *Breast Cancer Research*  
[PubMed](#) | [Toriola Profile](#)

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## Race, law, and health: Examination of 'stand your ground' and defendant convictions in Florida



| **Health Disparities Research** |  
Melody Goodman, PhD; Cassandra Arroyo-Johnson, PhD; et al.  
Published in *Social Science and Medicine*  
[Article](#) | [Goodman Profile](#)

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## Division News Briefs

- Congratulations to [Mary Politi](#), PhD, on her promotion to Associate Professor of Surgery!
- The Division of Public Health Sciences congratulates [Mary Politi](#), PhD, associate professor of surgery, on **receiving a grant from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality**. This three-year grant entitled, "A conference grant to implement comparative effectiveness research into policy", will allow Dr. Politi to continue hosting conferences dedicated to promoting and building CER infrastructure, disseminating results, identifying opportunities for implementation and incorporation of CER findings into health policy, and CER career development.
- Join us **Thursday, Sept. 17, at 4:30 p.m.** as we begin this year's **Epidemiology and Clinical Outcomes Research Seminar Series** in the Doll & Hill Teaching Room 2131 in the Taylor Avenue Building. Ankur Pandya, PhD, Assistant Professor at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, will present "Statins, Value, and Values." See upcoming [seminar series](#) presentations.
- The third cohort of the [Community Research Training Fellows program](#), part of the part of the Program for the Elimination of Cancer Disparities (PECaD), led by [Melody Goodman](#), PhD, graduated on August 20, 2015. These 19 graduates, community members with an interest



### 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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in research and the health of their communities, recently completed a 15-week curriculum focused on community-based participatory research methods.

- **Media notes:** 1) [Graham Colditz](#), MD, DrPH, along with Katherine Weilbaecher, MD, and Hank Dark, MS, have recently published a new ebook, [Together - Every Woman's Guide to Preventing Breast Cancer](#). This free resource provides practical, science-based advice for lowering breast cancer at every stage of life. 2) [Mary Politi](#), PhD, wrote a blog, [The Less you Know about Health Insurance, the Harder it is to Choose the Right Plan](#), which explains her recent research on navigating healthcare marketplace. This study was also featured in the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality report. 3) [Replacing Superfoods with Science](#), a blog written by [Graham Colditz](#), MD, DrPH, discusses whether certain foods play an important role in cancer prevention.

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