John S. Strauss, MD, 88, Professor Emeritus, died peacefully in July 2014. John was Chair of Dermatology at Iowa from 1978-1998 where he mentored many academicians and served as leader of numerous professional organizations. John’s commitment to his patients, family and the field of dermatology continue to inspire those who knew him. John remained an active member of the department until his retirement in 2000. In addition, John and his wife Susan have been generous long-time patrons of medicine and the arts in Iowa City.

Dermatology Residents at the Fall IDS meeting on Sept. 5, 2014 (above). Back row: Reid Masters, Krishna Mutugi, Nicolas Bontumasi, Tyler Quest, Pooja Chitgopeker, Matthew Landherr and Grant Ghahramani. Front row: Melissa Jay, Anthony Little, Elizabeth Vanderah, Megan Noe, and Nahid Vidal. Molly Moye and Amanda Tschetter are not pictured. Attendees of the IDS fall meeting enjoyed the Nomland/Carney Memorial Lecture given by Dr. Milan Anadkat, MD, Washington University School of Medicine and the Strauss Honorary Lecture given by Ian Maher, MD, St. Louis University School of Medicine. Pictured middle right: Dr. Richard Caplan spoke about the history of the IDS. Drs Robert Godwin and Janet Fairley at the IDS pre-game tailgate hosted by Dr. Fairley (lower right). Go Hawks!
John Selby, MD, PhD, joined the faculty as an Assistant Professor in July 2014. Born and raised in Quincy, Illinois, John earned his PhD in mechanical engineering (2007) and MD (2010) from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Following a preliminary year of internal medicine training at the University of Illinois, he completed his dermatology residency at the University of Iowa, serving as chief resident from 2013-2014. John’s research interests include keratinocyte mechanobiology in the context of blistering skin diseases and chronic wounds. His clinical interests include immunobullous disease, lichen planus, psoriasis, drug-associated exanthems, and contact dermatitis. He has been married to his wife Jennifer, a civil engineer at Foth Infrastructure & Environment, since 2001. Together, they are the proud parents of Emma, Patrick, and Will, ages 11, 8, and 4. The Selby family loves to watch Big Ten sporting events, and they have enjoyed rooting for the Hawkeyes since moving to Iowa City...except when they play the Fighting Illini!

Nicole Candelario-Gonzalez, MD, joined faculty as an Associate in October 2014. She was born and raised in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and attended the University of Puerto Rico, graduating summa cum laude in biology. She received her medical degree from University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine, graduating summa cum laude. After a transitional year in San Juan City Hospital, she completed her dermatology training at the University of Puerto Rico. Nicole moved to Iowa with her husband, who is completing a fellowship in neuro-ophthalmology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Her areas of interest include medical dermatology and dermatopathology and she is seeing patients at both UIHC and the Iowa River Landing locations. She will start a dermatopathology fellowship with Dr. Clay Cockerell at UT Southwestern in July 2015.
New dermatology residents (pictured left to right). **Nicolas Bontumasi** was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan. He attended the University of Michigan where he majored in Biology and met his wife, Taylor. He then went to the Washington University in St. Louis for medical school. His wife was previously an elementary school teacher who now cares for their 18 month old son, Noah. **Matthew Landherr** was born in Iowa City and raised in Marion, IA. He has strong family ties, being the middle of 7 children and a proud uncle to 8 (and counting) nieces and nephews. He majored in Biology and Spanish at Iowa State University and then completed medical school and the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine. Matt enjoys watching and participating in sports and spending time with family and friends. **Pooja Chitgopeker** was born in England and raised in Auckland, New Zealand, where she attended the University of Auckland Medical School, a 6 year program following high school. Pooja met her husband Vikram, who is from Chicago, during her last year of medical school while he was on a business trip to Auckland. They live downtown with their little Maltese, Avicii. **Anthony Little** was born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA, where he earned his BS in Biological Sciences and Chemistry and MS in healthcare Policy and Management at Carnegie Mellon University. He attended medical school at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. Anthony enjoys lifting weights, and spending time with his wife, Danielle, and his 8 month old son, Ty. **Tyler Quest** was born and raised in Wyoming and attended the University of Wyoming, later moving to Seattle for medical school at the University of Washington. He most enjoys spending time with family, his dogs, and his fiancé Jai, who is currently finishing her masters degree in International Security at the University of Denver. In October, the residents enjoyed their annual retreat where they participated in team building activities at the Iowa Challenge Course at the UI Recreational Fields (pictured above right).

**Departing Residents**

**John Selby** remains on the faculty at Iowa where he is focused on developing clinical and research endeavours. **Kanya Ferguson** continues at Iowa as the Procedural Dermatology Fellow under the direction of Dr. Marta VanBeek. **Ronda Farah** is a general dermatologist specializing in medical, surgical and cosmetic dermatology at Fairview Maple Grove Medical Center and the University of Minnesota Medical Center East Bank campus. **Ashlyne Clark** is completing her surgery fellowship at Dermatology Professionals of Rhode Island in East Greenwich.
Selected UIHC Dermatology publications


Grant-Kels JM, VanBeek MJ. The ethical implications of "more than one way to skin a cat": increasing use of radiation therapy to treat nonmelanoma skin cancers by dermatologists, J Am Acad Dermatol. 2014 May;70 (5):945-7. PMID:24742838


Notable events in 2014

Research and Visiting Professorships at Iowa. Pictured left: dermatology research at the Society for Investigative Dermatology held in Albuquerque, NM in May. L to R: Janet Fairley, MD, Megan Noe, MD, Heather Holahan (Doris Duke Fellow) and Kelly Messingham, PhD. Pictured right: Naomi Lawrence, MD, visited the University of Iowa as part of the ASDS Visiting Professorship where she provided education on evaluation of the aging face, the basic science of fat/liposuction and supervised hands on patient evaluation. Residents are pictured with Dr. Lawrence, L to R: Melissa Jay, Anthony Little, Grant Ghahramani, Naomi Lawrence, Nahid Vidal, Amanda Tschetter, Pooja Chitgopeker, Krishna Mutgi and Elizabeth Vanderah. Additionally, Dr. Karolyn (Kari) Wanat (not pictured) was recognized for her contributions to medical education at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine Education Celebration Day.
Important Dates in 2015!

- IDS Alumni Reunion: Saturday, March 21, 2015, 6-8 pm, San Francisco, CA
- IDS Spring Meeting: April 10 & 11, 2015 Urmila Sahai Seminar Room, MERF
- IDS Fall Meeting: September 11 & 12, 2015 Urmila Sahai Seminar Room, MERF

Clinical research: For more information regarding current projects contact the clinical trials coordinator (Julie McKillip) at 319-353-6439 or visit the Dermatology Research homepage at:  http://www.uihealthcare.com/depts/med/dermatology/research index.html

Dermatology Residents and Faculty participated in a skin cancer screening for Courage Ridge. Pictured L to R: Megan Noe, Margaret Moye, John Selby, Elizabeth Vanderah, Kanya Ferguson, Karolyn Wanat and Nahid Vidal.

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