Power Point presentations for the Department Research Rounds can now be found on the Department of Pediatrics and Human Development website. You may use the following link to locate them: 
http://phd.msu.edu/research/research-rounds.html

DEPARTMENT MEETINGS AND RESEARCH SEMINARS

- **Thursday, December 12, 2013, Pediatric Grand Rounds**: B. Keith English, MD, Professor and Chair, Department of Pediatrics and Human Development; Academic Chair, Department of Pediatrics, Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital/Spectrum Health, “Do We Know How to Diagnose and Treat Pneumonia in Children?”. 8:00am – 9:00am, Sparrow Hospital Auditorium.

OTHER DEPARTMENT MEETINGS AND RESEARCH SEMINARS

- **Monday, December 9, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology Dissertation Seminar**: Kevin M. Beggs, PhD Dual-degree Student, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology, and Center for Integrative Toxicology, Michigan State University, “Mechanisms of Hepatocellular Apoptosis Induced by Trovafloxacin-Tumor Necrosis Factor-alpha Interaction: An In Vitro Model of Idiosyncratic Drug-Induced Liver Injury”, 12:30p.m – 1:30pm. B448-9 Life Sciences Bldg.

- **Tuesday, December 10, 2013, Michigan Family Impact Seminars - Racial and Ethnic Infant Mortality: Narrowing the Gap in Michigan**: Alethia Carr, Former Director of Maternal and Child Health, “Michigan Health Equity”, and Malanie Brim, MHA, Senior Deputy Director, Department of Community Health, “Michigan’s Reduction Plan”, 8:00a.m – 10:00am. Mackinac Room at the Anderson Bldg, 124 N Capitol (5th Floor). Breakfast will be provided. (RSVP to Amy Kemp at kempamy1@msu.edu or 517-355-0166.

- **Tuesday, December 10, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology Dissertation Seminar**: Ninitha Asirvathan Jayaraj, Doctoral Candidate, Pharmacology & Toxicology, Michigan State University, “Role of Central Eicosanoids in the Development of Angiotensin II-Salt Hypertension in the Rat”, 9:00a.m – 10:00am. B448-9 Life Sciences Bldg.

- **Tuesday, December 10, 2013, Microbiology & Molecular Genetics Seminar**: Rob Britton, Michigan State University, “Next Generation Probiotics for the Prevention and Treatment of Disease”, 4:10p.m. 1415 Biomedical Physical Sciences.

- **Wednesday, December 11, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology Seminar**: Sandra J. Hewett, PhD. Beverly Petterson Bishop Professor of Neuroscience, Department of Biology, Syracuse University, “The Role of the Glutamate/Cystine Transporter, System xc-, in Health and Disease”, 12:00p.m – 1:00pm. B448-9 Life Sciences Bldg.
Thursday, December 12, 2013, Genetics Comprehensive Exam: Mike McAndrews, Dr. Monique Floer Lab, Michigan State University, “The Role of Nucleosome Occupancy and Chromatic Remodeling in Inducible Gene Regulation and Disease”, 10:00a.m. 208 Biochemistry Building.

Friday, December 13, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology - Drug Discovery Teleconference: Greg Thurber, “Structure Based Predictions of Drug Distribution”, 9:00a.m. - 10:00a.m. B448-449 Life Sciences.

Friday, December 13, 2013, Respiratory Research Initiative Seminar: Dr. Kurt Williams, Michigan State University, “Investigating a Spontaneous Goat Model of Cystic Fibrosis”, 11:30a.m – 1:00pm. Room 162 Food Safety and Toxicology Building.

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Monday, December 16, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology Seminar: Vincent Groppi, Vice President Drug Discovery and C.S.O Essen BioScience, “TBD”, 12:00p.m – 1:00pm. B448-9 Life Sciences Bldg.

Tuesday, December 17, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology Dissertation Seminar: Kate O’Brien, PhD Dual-degree Student, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology, and Center for Integrative Toxicology, Michigan State University, “TBD”, 12:00p.m – 1:00pm. B448-9 Life Sciences Bldg.

Wednesday, December 18, 2013, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology Dissertation Seminar: Sara Gotti, PhD Dual-degree Student, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology, and Center for Integrative Toxicology, Michigan State University, “TBD”, 12:00p.m – 1:00pm. B448-9 Life Sciences Bldg.

Wednesday, December 18, 2013, Retirement Ceremony for Dr. James E. Trosko: 3:00p.m. - 5:00p.m., MSU Radiology Building.

Friday, December 20, 2013, Retirement Ceremony for Kathy Bosma: 4:00p.m. – 6:00p.m., B105 Life Science.

Thursday, December 19, 2013, Sparrow Health System Pediatric Department Meeting: 5:45pm – 8:00pm, Sparrow Professional Building, Room B.

Tuesday, January 7, 2014, Biostatistics Course for Clinicians: Ira H. Gewolb, MD, Professor & Chief, Division of Neonatology; Associate Chair for Research, Department of Pediatrics & Human Development; Director, Neonatal Fellowship Training Program, “Introduction and Describing Data”, 2:30p.m – 4:00p.m. RNICU Conference Room, Sparrow.

Tuesday, January 14, 2014, Biostatistics Course for Clinicians: Ira H. Gewolb, MD, Professor & Chief, Division of Neonatology; Associate Chair for Research, Department of Pediatrics & Human Development; Director, Neonatal Fellowship Training Program, “Inferential Statistics”, 2:30p.m – 4:00p.m. RNICU Conference Room, Sparrow.

Thursday, January 16, 2014, Research Coffee Breaks: “Campus Research Resources to Help You”. 3:00p.m. – 4:00p.m. Main Library North Conference Room, 4th Floor.

Sunday, January 19, 2014, Pediatrics and Human Development P.H.D. Open House: As we begin a new year, we would like to gather together the faculty and staff of the Department of Pediatrics and Human Development as well as spouses or significant others, and your children, for an afternoon of camaraderie and good cheer as we reach out to each other to continue to develop relationships and collaboration across the campuses. 3:00p.m. – 5:00p.m. 435 Chimney Oaks, Okemos (at the home of Dr. Renuka Gera) RSVP to Kristine Kounelis at Kristine.kounelis@hc.msu.edu by 5:00p.m. on January 13, 2014.
For Your Safety

The MSU Police Department is investigating an attempted theft of employee direct-deposit payroll earnings.

On Friday, October 18, two employees reported receiving email confirmation of a change in their direct-deposit designation. Police say that valid credentials (MSU NetID and password) were used by a perpetrator to modify the employees’ banking information on the EBS HR/Payroll (SAP) system. It is believed that the perpetrator gained access to the credentials through a sophisticated phishing attack. There is no indication of a system-wide security breach or exposure of other employee data.

MSU Police are asking anyone who suspects that their banking information has been compromised to call 517-355-2222.

Questions related to phishing or MSU NetIDs may be directed to the IT Services Support Desk at 517-432-6200.