

***Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human  
Development**

**A Celebration of Employee Accomplishments**

**October 16, 2008**

**Arrival 11:30 am - 12:00 Noon  
Awards Ceremony 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm  
Picnic 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm**

**High Point Farm  
Clarksburg, Maryland**

***Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and  
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Welcome  
Pedro Morales-Llanos  
WIDAC Manager

Introduction of Director, NICHD  
George Gaines

Director's Remarks  
Dr. Duane Alexander, Director, NICHD

Deputy Director's Remarks  
Dr. Yvonne Maddox, Deputy Director, NICHD

Presentation of NICHD Director's Awards  
Dr. Duane Alexander  
Dr. Yvonne Maddox  
Mr. John Jarman

Sponsored by the Director, NICHD and NICHD Workplace Improvement and  
Diversity Advisory Committee (WIDAC)

## **2008 NIH Director's Award Recipients**

These awards were presented at the 2008 NIH Director's Awards Ceremony  
on July 21, 2008

**The NIH Director's Award recognizes superior performance or special efforts significantly beyond the regular duty requirements, and directly related to fulfilling the mission of the National Institutes of Health**

Lisa Kaeser, J.D.

*For contributions to the advancement of science and the public's knowledge of and participation in medical research.*

Heather Watts, M.D.

*For exemplary work in advancing global research on HIV in women*

Chi-hon Lee, M.D., Ph.D

*In recognition of his discovery of molecular mechanisms establishing connections of photoreceptors with specific columns and layers in the brain during development*

### **2008 NIH Roadmap for Medical Research Awards**

**The NIH Roadmap for Medical Research is a set of trans-NIH research initiatives that focus on efforts that no single or small group of Institutes or Centers could or should conduct on their own, but that the NIH as a whole must address to ensure both efficient and effective scientific discovery. The NIH Director's Award for the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research is given to individuals and/or groups who have demonstrated significant leadership, skill and ability in contributing to the planning, implementation and evaluation of the Roadmap and its initiatives. It was initiated to give formal recognition and encouragement to those individuals who are both officially and voluntarily giving of their expertise and time in contributing to this agency-wide effort.**

#### **NIH PROMIS Science Officer Team**

Louis A. Quatrano, Ph.D.

*For outstanding collaborative works in the scientific management of the NIH PROMIS initiative*

## **2008 NIH Mentoring Awards**

**The NIH Director's Award for Mentoring is given to individuals who have demonstrated significant leadership, skill, and ability in serving as a mentor to one or more individuals. It was initiated to give formal recognition, support, and encouragement to those individuals who are both officially and voluntarily giving of their time and efforts in mentoring activities and to establish mentoring as a core value at NIH.**

Alan Decherney

*For exemplary performance while demonstrating significant leadership, skill, and ability in serving as a mentor*

## **Other Awards Presented During the 2008 NIH Director's Awards Ceremony**

### **Group Award for Genome-Wide Association Studies Policy Development Team**

V. Jeffery Evans  
John Ilekis, Ph.D.  
Tracy Rankin, Ph.D.

*In recognition of outstanding team work, skill, and dedication in the development of the landmark NIH GWAS data sharing policy.*

### **- We Can! Team**

Marianne Glass Miller  
John McGrath

*For exceptional team performance in the planning and implementation of the NIH We Can! Program.*

### **NIH Biennial Report Leadership**

Sarah Glavin, Ph.D.  
Mona Jaffe Rowe, M.C.P.  
Elizabeth Wehr

*For conceptualizing and producing the first of the new NIH Biennial Reports, mandated by the NIH Reform Act of 2006.*

# ***NIH Grants Management Awards Ceremony***

## **Administering Clinical Trials (ACT) Subcommittee**

### **Special Recognition**

Grace Poe  
Maggie Young

## **Business Practice Improvements Subcommittee**

### **Special Recognition**

Robin Kurtz

## **Compliance Education & Review Team (CERT)**

### **Special Recognition**

Cecilia Bruce  
Monica Shaw-Cortez

### **Letter of Appreciation**

Myrtle Coleman

## **GMAC Subcommittee on Training**

### **Special Recognition**

Susan Flickinger  
Bonnie Jackson

### **Letter of Appreciation**

Susan Parker

## **SBIR/STTR Vision Subcommittee**

### **Special Recognition**

Ted Williams

## **GM Lead Users Group**

### **Letter of Appreciation**

Diane Hong

## **2008 NIH Merit Awards**

**The NIH Merit Award is a civilian honor award for employees, presented by the NICHD Director, recognizing superior performance or special efforts significantly beyond the regular duty requirements, and directly related to fulfilling the mission of the NICHD and the National Institutes of Health**

### **Individual Awards**

#### **Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch**

Christine Bachrach, Ph.D.

*For exemplary scientific and administrative leadership in advancing research in the population sciences.*

#### **Developmental Biology, Genetics and Teratology Branch**

A. Tyl Hewitt

*For sustained exemplary Service to the NICHD in his position as Chief of the Developmental Biology, Genetics, and Teratology Branch*

#### **Administrative Management Branch**

Rebecca Preston

*In recognition for exemplary work and dedication to the Division of Intramural Research and meeting the difficult demands as the Senior Administrative Officer, DIR, NICHD.*

#### **Section on Transgenic Regulation**

Victoria Carter

*In recognition of superb technical assistance with the maintenance and genetic analysis of the transgenic/knockout mouse colony at LMGD/NICHD.*

**Office of Committee Management**

Sherri Park

*In recognition for dedication, creativity and resourcefulness in rapidly developing  
Committee Management support for the NIH Council of Councils*

**Endocrinology, Nutrition & Growth Branch**

Karen Winer, M.D.

*For improving the health of diabetic children by her outstanding leadership of the  
NICHD Diabetes Research in Children Network.*

**Reproductive Sciences Branch**

Tracy Rankin, Ph.D.

*For Exceptional Leadership in the Establishment of a Comprehensive Research,  
Research Training and Career Development Program in Male Reproductive  
Health*

**Ethics Office**

Patricia Peterson

*In recognition and appreciation of significant and valued contributions to the  
Ethics Program of the NICHD.*

**Office of Administrative Management**

Dexter Collins

*For exceptional and exemplary performance in servicing and enhancing NICHD's  
administrative/management operations.*

## **Group Awards**

### **Pregnancy and Perinatology Branch**

Stephanie Archer  
Roesmary Higgins, M.D.  
John Ilekis, Ph.D  
Susan Pagliaro  
Tonse Raju, M.D.  
Uma Reddy, M.D., MPH  
Caroline Signore, M.D., MPH  
Marian Willinger, Ph.D  
Cathy Spong, M.D.

*For Superior commitment, dedication and accomplishment in developing studies of late preterm birth, a major cause of perinatal morbidity and mortality.*

### **Center for Research for Mothers and Children**

Linda Wright, M.D.  
Macaya Douoguih, M.D., MPH

*For improving the health of mothers and infants in developing countries by outstanding leadership of the NICHD Global Network.*

### **Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Branch**

Mary Lou Oster-Granite, Ph.D  
Alice Kau, Ph.D  
Tiina Urv, Ph.D  
Ljubisa Vitkovic, Ph. D

*In recognition of leadership, coordination and management of programs and mandated reports on Autism, Down Syndrome, Fragile X, and Muscular Dystrophy.*

***Fellows Award for Research Excellence (FARE)  
2008 NICHD Winners***

Mark Bayfield, Ph.D.\*  
Christian Cea-Del Rio, Ph.D.  
Shuying Gao, Ph.D.  
Jennifer Gillette, Ph.D. \*  
Daniel Ginsburg, Ph.D.  
Aniket Gore Ph.D.  
Joan Han, MD\*  
Michelle Tsz Wan Ho  
Errett Hobbs, Ph.D.  
Iori Ito, Ph.D.  
Edwin Lai  
Eric Levens, MD  
Julian Lui, Ph.D.  
Elena Makareeva, Ph.D.  
Lucia Martiniova  
Guhan Nagappan, Ph.D.\*  
Joshua Park, Ph.D.  
Elvira Rafikova, Ph.D.\*  
Geoffrey Rezvani, M.D.  
Preeti Saini, Ph.D.  
Kit Man Tsang  
Zakir Ullah, Ph.D.  
Lauren Waters, Ph.D.  
Alicja Woronowicz, Ph.D.  
Hong Ye, Ph.D.\*  
Deliang Zhang Ph.D.  
(\* indicates previous winner)

*For outstanding scientific research performed by  
intramural postdoctoral fellows*

## ***Length of Service Awards 2008***

### **10 Year Awards**

Vladimir Bakalov  
Christine Banks  
Ekaterina Chumakov  
Susan Flickinger  
Lisa Freund  
Alexander Grinberg  
Jean Grivel  
Lynne Haverkos  
Denise Haynie  
Ronald Iannotti  
Julie Jacobs  
Mary Lilly  
Ying Liu  
Anil Mukherjee  
Kevin Ryan  
Natacha Sejour  
D Heather Watts  
Aixia Zhang  
Gary Zhang

### **20 Year Awards**

Gopal Bhatnagar  
Andres Buonanno  
Bryan Clark  
Anup Dey  
Jean Flagg Newton  
Marsha Gorham  
Paul Johnson  
Tina Kelsey  
Theresa Koomson  
Mary McLenigan  
Susan Newcomer  
Teri Pailen  
Patricia Reichelderfer  
Stanko Stojilkovic  
Carla Walls  
Rachel Weiszer

### **30 Year Award**

George Chrousos  
Igor Dawid  
Keiko Ozato  
Mary Plummer  
Louis Quatrano  
Martha Rebbert  
Shousun Szu  
Koji Yoshinaga

### **40 Year Award**

David Klein  
Willa Plater  
Joan Weller

## ***Partners in Business and Education Program Highland Elementary School, 2007-2008***

### **Pen Pal Program**

Duane Alexander  
Beth Ansel  
Renaissa Anthony  
Christine Bachrach  
Christine Banks  
Doreen Bartlett  
Maria Botella-Harbaum  
Sharon Bradley  
Sheila Brady  
Charlotte Catz  
Leila Cheraghpour  
Debbie Clay  
Dexter Collins  
Steven Coon  
Kate Costella  
Layla Esposito  
Susan Flickinger  
George Gaines  
Jennifer Gillette

Sarah Glavin  
Marci Grover  
Jennifer Gustafson  
Sarah Haak  
Dale Hailey  
Brenda Hanning  
Denna Harris  
Lynne Haverkos  
Errett Hobbs  
Felecia Johnson  
Paul Johnson  
Lisa Kaeser  
Roz King  
Kimi Lin  
Chanya Liv  
Linda Lord  
Johnalyn Lyles  
Robin MacAlpine  
Donald Mattison  
Derik Mezzack  
Marianne Miller  
Heather Nicholas  
Susan Pagliaro  
Patricia Peterson  
Tonse Raju  
Robin Roberson  
Alisha Rovner  
Carol Sheredos  
Sondra Sheriff  
Rachael Sorg  
Michael Spittel  
Christina Stile  
Susanne Strickland  
Winnie Tam  
Marlene Taulton  
Susan Taymans  
Vijaya Thomas  
June Toler  
Brenda Underwood  
Tiina Urv  
Peggy Wagner  
Janice Wahlmann  
Elizabeth Wehr  
Lisa Williams-Simons  
Jack Yanovski

***2007-2008 NICHD Workplace Improvement and  
Diversity Committee Members***

**WIDAC Manager**

Pedro Morales-Llanos

**WIDAC Chair**

Derik Mezzack

**WIDAC Members**

Vanessa Gorham

Tina Lancaster

Valerie Leftwood

Adia McCray

Robin Roberson

Sondra Sheriff

Tracy Springer

Peggy Wagner

***Combined Federal Campaign, 2007-2008***

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