

2014 Research Annual Report

Section of Neonatology, Perinatal and Pulmonary Biology



Division Summary

RESEARCH AND TRAINING DETAILS

Number of Faculty	52
Number of Joint Appointment Faculty	1
Number of Research Fellows	11
Number of Research Students	12
Number of Support Personnel	14
Direct Annual Grant Support	\$11,073,774
Direct Annual Industry Support	\$153,375
Peer Reviewed Publications	148

CLINICAL ACTIVITIES AND TRAINING

Number of Clinical Staff	23
Number of Staff Physicians	13
Number of Clinical Fellows	14
Number of Clinical Students	10
Number of Other Students	10

Division Photo



Row 1: T Weaver, S Bhattacharyya, N Monangi, N Goyal

Row 2: M Pavlicev, A Perl, J Greenberg, K Schibler, B Poindexter, A Nathan, H Kaplan

Row 3: Y Xu, B Kamath-Rayne, L Muglia, T Korfhagen, D Sinner, J Shannon, K Wikenheiser-Brokamp, V Kalinichenko, J Bridges, J Whitsett, S Wert

Row 4: A Kenny, T Suzuki, Y Maeda, S Glasser, H Deshmukh, E Hall, B Trapnell, S Wexelblatt

Research Highlights

Suhas Kallapur, Alan Jobe, and Louis Muglia

Suhas Kallapur, Alan Jobe, and Louis Muglia, in the Perinatal Institute, together with Claire Chouquet in the Division of Immunobiology, have initiated important non-human primate studies with collaborating investigators at the California National Primate Research Center to determine the mechanism by which stress and infection interact to increase the risk for preterm birth and adverse outcomes of prematurity such as bronchopulmonary dysplasia, as well as alter immune system development. Initial findings were published in the Journal of Immunology, and have resulted in new grants from the NIH and Burroughs Wellcome Fund.

Kurt Schibler, Ardythe Morrow

Kurt Schibler, Ardythe Morrow, and collaborators evaluated the consequences of antibiotic use in preterm infants with subsequent microbiome development. They found that infants treated in the first week of life had lower bacterial diversity in the second and third weeks of life. Infants receiving early antibiotics also experienced more cases of necrotizing enterocolitis, sepsis, or death than those not exposed to antibiotics (Journal of Pediatrics).

Neera Goyal

Neera Goyal and collaborators from Every Child Succeeds evaluated the impact of home visitation programs on pregnancy outcomes for high-risk mothers. They found that amongst these first time mothers enrolled

prenatally in home visiting, higher dosage of intervention is associated with reduced likelihood of adverse pregnancy outcomes (Pediatrics).

Significant Publications

Steinhoff MC, MacDonald N, Pfeifer D, **Muglia LJ**. Influenza vaccine in pregnancy: policy and research strategies. *Lancet*. 2014 May 10;383(9929):1611-3.

This article summarizes existing data on influenza vaccination in pregnancy that demonstrates improvement in birth weight and reduction in risk for preterm birth in vaccinated mothers. These important health benefits from vaccination should lead to more robust implementation measures as well as a new research agenda for understanding disease mechanisms.

Chen G, **Korfhagen TR**, Karp CL, Impey S, Xu Y, Randell SH, **Kitzmiller J**, **Maeda Y**, Haitchi HM, Sridharan A, Senft AP, **Whitsett JA**. Foxa3 induces goblet cell metaplasia and inhibits innate antiviral immunity. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med*. 2014 Feb 1;189(3):301-13.

Goblet cell metaplasia is associated with common lung diseases that are susceptible to recurrent viral infections. The mechanisms linking goblet cell metaplasia and susceptibility to viral infection are incompletely understood. In this study, the transcription factor FOXA3 was found to induce goblet cell metaplasia in response to infection. Suppression of interferon signaling by FOXA3 was shown to provide one mechanism that may serve to limit ongoing Th1 inflammation during the resolution of acute viral infection; however, inhibition of innate immunity by FOXA3 simultaneously contributes to susceptibility to viral infections with the chronic lung disorders.

Kallapur SG, Presicce P, Senthamarai Kannan P, Alvarez M, Tarantal AF, Miller LM, **Jobe AH**, Chouquet CA. Intra-amniotic IL-1 β induces fetal inflammation in rhesus monkeys and alters the regulatory T cell/IL-17 balance. *J Immunol*. 2013 Aug 1;191(3):1102-9.

In this study, Kallapur, Jobe and colleagues define the effects of chorioamnionitis on the fetal immune system, IL-1 β was administered intra-amniotically at ~80% gestation in rhesus monkeys. IL-1 β caused histological chorioamnionitis, as well as lung inflammation (infiltration of neutrophils or monocytes in the fetal airways) and large increases in multiple proinflammatory cytokines. Importantly, IL-1 β significantly altered the balance between inflammatory and regulatory T cells. The results show that the chorioamnionitis-induced IL-1/IL-17 pathway is involved in the severe inflammation that can develop in preterm newborns. Boosting regulatory T cells and/or controlling IL-17 may provide a means to ameliorate these abnormalities.

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Grants, Contracts, and Industry Agreements

Grant and Contract Awards

Annual Direct

BRIDGES, J

Role of GPR116 in the Regulation of Alveolar Surfactant Pool Size

American Heart Association

13SDG17090028

07/01/13-06/30/17

\$70,000

JOBE, A

Initiation and Progression of Preterm Lung Injury with Ventilation

National Institutes of Health

R01 DH 072842

08/01/12-05/31/17

\$207,176

PROP Attrition Reduction Study

National Institutes of Health(Children's Hospital of Philadelphia)

U01 HL 101794

05/01/12-04/30/14

\$982

Data Coordinating Center for the Prematurity and Respiratory Outcomes Program

National Institutes of Health(University of Pennsylvania)

U01 HL 101794

09/20/10-04/30/15

\$60,834

JOBE, A / CHOUGNET, C (MPI)

Biomarkers of Immunologic Function and Preterm Respiratory Outcomes

National Institutes of Health

U01 HL 101800

05/01/10-04/30/15

\$375,863

Jobe, A	Core	\$115,930
Chougnat, C	Project	\$80,237
Chougnat, C	Project	\$33,684
Kingma, P	Project	\$20,229
Hardie, W	Project	\$111,771
Morrow, A	Project	\$14,012

KALIN, T

Role of Foxm1 in Lung Cancer Microenvironment

National Institutes of Health

R01 CA 142724

07/01/10-06/30/15

\$189,199

Transcriptional Regulation of Cancer Progression and Metastasis by Foxm1

American Cancer Society National

07/01/13-06/30/17

\$175,000

KALINICHENKO, V

Foxf1 Transcription Factor in Development of Pulmonary Capillaries

National Institutes of Health

R01 HL 084151

05/01/11-04/30/15

\$245,000

LECRAS, T / HERSHY, G (MPI)**Impact of Early Life Diesel Exposure Immune Patterning and Lung Structure/Function**

National Institutes of Health

R01 HL 097135

09/01/09-07/31/14

\$305,215

LeCras, T

\$119,129

Hershey, G

\$186,086

MERHAR, S**Functional MRI to Predict Visual, Auditory, and Motor Outcomes in Infants with Brain Injury**

Thrasher Research Fund

08/01/12-07/31/14

\$9,451

Protein Supplementation in Infants with Brain Injury

The Gerber Foundation

PN12-004-424-3068

06/01/12-05/31/15

\$6,666

MORROW, A**The Role of Human Milk in Infant Nutrition and Health**

National Institutes of Health

P01 HD 013021

08/01/09-07/31/14

\$921,236

Jiang, X

Project 2

\$109,146

Jiang, X

Core D

\$84,618

MUGLIA, L**March of Dimes Prematurity Research Center**

March of Dimes

22-FY13-543

07/01/13-12/31/13

\$969,396

Dey, S

Project 3

\$130,486

March of Dimes Prematurity Research Center Ohio Collaborative

March of Dimes

22-FY14-470

01/01/14-12/31/14

\$1,929,801

Dey, S

Project 3

\$263,636

MUGLIA, L / CHOUGNET, C (MPI)**Maternal Temperament, Stress, and Inflammation in Preterm Birth**

National Institutes of Health

R01 HD 078127 09/01/13-08/31/17 \$505,993

Muglia, L \$433,973

Chouquet, C \$72,020

PERL, A

FGF and PDGF Regulate Myofibroblast Differentiation in Alveolar Regeneration

National Institutes of Health

R01 HL 104003 07/01/10-06/30/14 \$235,620

PURI, K

Alteration of Microbial Flora in the Intestines of Preterm Neonates with Chorioamnionitis

American Academy of Pediatrics

09/01/13-06/30/14 \$3,000

SCHIBLER,K

NICHD Cooperative Multicenter Neonatal Research Network

National Institutes of Health

U10 HD 027853 04/01/11-03/31/16 \$336,477

SHANNON, J

LPCAT1 is Essential for Perinatal Lung Function and Survival

National Institutes of Health

R01 HL 098319 07/01/10-06/30/14 \$296,584

SINNER, D

Molecular Mechanisms Underlying Upper Airway Patterning and Tracheomalacia

National Institutes of Health

K01 HL 115447 08/01/12-07/31/17 \$104,071

SOUTH, A

Intestinal Motility and Gastroschisis

The Gerber Foundation

07/01/13-06/30/16 \$52,251

SUZUKI, T

Synthetic Endonuclease-Mediated Gene-Editing Therapy of Hereditary Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis

American Thoracic Society

10/31/13-10/30/14 \$40,000

TRAPNELL, B

Role of GM-CSF in Myeloid Cell Function and Innate Immunity

National Institutes of Health

R01 HL 085453	04/01/11-03/31/16	\$245,000
Childhood Interstitial Lung Disease (chILD) and Chemokine (C-C motif) Receptor 2 (CCR2) Deficiency		
American Thoracic Society(The Johns Hopkins University)		
10/31/13-10/30/15		
		\$5,640
Macrophage Based Gene Therapy for Hereditary Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis		
National Institutes of Health		
R01 HL 118342	05/01/14-04/30/18	\$428,386
Cincinnati Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences and Training - Pilot/Collaborative Studies		
National Institutes of Health(University of Cincinnati)		
UL1 TR 000077	04/03/09-03/31/15	\$23,051

VALENTINE, C

DHA Attenuates Inflammatory Responses through Altering Rage Signaling		
National Institutes of Health(The Research Institute at Nationwide Hospital)		
R01 AT 006880	09/30/11-06/30/14	\$11,626
Dietary Docosahexaenoic Acid for Women with Preeclampsia		
National Institutes of Health(University of Cincinnati)		
KL2 TR 000078	10/01/13-08/31/14	\$62,673

WEAVER, T

Stard7, a Novel Inhibitor of Allergic Lung Disease		
National Institutes of Health		
R01 HL 122130	01/01/14-12/31/17	\$250,000
The Role of Autophagy in the Pathogenesis of interstitial Lung Disease		
National Institutes of Health		
R01 HL 103923	08/01/11-06/30/15	\$316,184
Digestive Health Center: Bench to Bedside Research in Pediatric Digestive Disease - P&F Study		
National Institutes of Health		
P30 DK 078392	06/01/12-05/31/17	\$50,000

WEXELBLATT, S

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) Project - Per patient		
Ohio Department of Jobs & Family Services(University Hospitals, Case Medical Center)		
	07/01/12-06/30/14	\$84,624

WHITSETT, J

"Lung MAP" Atlas Research Center		
National Institutes of Health		
U01 HL 122642	06/15/14-04/30/19	\$495,784
Airway Progenitor Cell Proliferation and Differentiation During Lung Repair		
National Institutes of Health		
U01 HL 110964	01/01/12-12/31/16	\$528,069
Cleveland Clinic Center for Accelerated Innovations		

National Institutes of Health(Cleveland Clin Lerner Col of Med of CWRU)		
U54 HL 119810	09/26/13-07/31/20	\$12,000
Omics of Lung Diseases		
National Institutes of Health		
K12 HL 119986	09/01/13-05/31/18	\$249,818
Pulmonary and Cardiovascular Development Training Grant		
National Institutes of Health		
T32 HL 007752	07/01/09-06/30/14	\$258,283
Single Cell NexGen RNA Sequencing of Human Lung		
National Institutes of Health(Duke University)		
U01 HL 110967	01/01/14-12/31/14	\$49,020
Transcriptional Control of Submucosal Gland Formation and Function		
National Institutes of Health		
R01 HL 108907	07/01/11-04/30/15	\$254,823
Transcriptional Programming of Asthma Related Pathology in Respiratory Epithelia		
National Institutes of Health		
R01 HL 095580	04/15/13-03/31/18	\$338,555
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Research Development Program (Core 1)		
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation		
	03/01/12-06/30/15	\$50,000
Molecular Atlas of Lung Development - Data Coordinating		
National Institutes of Health(Duke University)		
U01 HL 122638	06/15/14-04/30/19	\$34,773

XU, Y

Role of SREBP Network in Surfactant Lipid Homeostasis and Lung Maturation		
National Institutes of Health		
R01 HL 105433	07/01/11-06/30/15	\$285,650
	Current Year Direct	\$11,073,774

Industry Contracts

MORROW, A

Glycosyn LLC		\$17,967
Mead Johnson & Company		\$135,408
	Current Year Direct Receipts	\$153,375
	Total	\$11,227,149