From the Chair

On behalf of the Department of Dermatology at The University of Mississippi Medical Center, I would like to express the pride I feel joining the robust community of Mississippi Dermatologists. I’ve experienced overwhelming support from every person I’ve met. A few examples: 1) private practicing dermatologists working on projects with medical students; 2) dermatologists volunteering to attend dermatology resident continuity clinics; and 3) fellow dermatopathologists sharing difficult cases and teaching pathology residents at UMMC. Amazingly, every dermatologist in the Jackson area has attended at least one Grand Rounds presentation. I cannot express how much I appreciate these gestures that can best be termed “Southern Hospitality”.

I will make every effort to reward your support with the kind of academic offerings that you deserve. These will include high quality CME programs, specialty clinic support, and help in managing or co-managing patients with complex diagnostic or management issues. In addition, July 2013 marked a first for the State of Mississippi: we began training two dermatology residents here at UMMC, and we will work hard to make it a world-class program. Please don’t hesitate to contact me anytime if our team at UMMC can assist you with any patient care issue.

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The Department of Dermatology of the University of Mississippi is making good progress toward a goal of developing a world-class Department. Our mission is clear:

1. to enhance the patient-centered care provided by dermatologists in Mississippi
2. to focus on subspecialty care needs of patients and to support our dermatology colleagues throughout the state
3. to provide high quality educational programming for medical students and residents
4. to provide timely and focused continuing medical education (CME) for dermatologists and other physicians in the State of Mississippi and throughout the region
5. to develop basic science, translational and clinical research programs that extend the knowledge base of dermatology
**Dermatology Residency Program**

The Dermatology Residency Review Committee (RRC) approved the University of Mississippi Medical Center dermatology residency on April 8, 2013. Two first year dermatology residents began their training in July 2013.

**New Faculty**

**Will Black, M.D.**

Dr. Black was born and raised in Brandon, Miss., and graduated from Millsaps College *summa cum laude* with Phi Beta Kappa honors. He attended the University of Mississippi School of Medicine where he was admitted to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society and graduated *magna cum laude*. He completed a dermatology residency at University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida, where he served as chief resident. He completed a Procedural Dermatology fellowship with an emphasis on Mohs surgery and reconstruction at the University of Texas Southwestern in Dallas. He returns home to fulfill the dream of caring for the people of Mississippi, while also helping to educate young dermatologists in training as part of the UMMC Dermatology residency training program.

His interests are in Mohs surgery and reconstruction and dermatologic oncology including the treatment of melanoma. Referrals for the treatment of skin cancer, the excision of benign lesions, nail procedures, and skin cancer monitoring are gladly accepted.

**Stephen Helms, M.D.**

Dr. Helms arrives at the University of Mississippi with 35 years of private practice experience in Warren, Ohio. He graduated from The Ohio State University College of Medicine and completed his dermatology residency at the University of Pittsburgh. In addition to teaching medical students and dermatology residents at Northeastern Ohio Medical University and Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, he frequently teaches at regional and national venues. His dermatology subspecialty interest is in occupational dermatology and contact dermatitis. Dr. Helms has 45 scientific publications and is a reviewer for several journals. He has participated as an investigator or sub-investigator in a number of clinical trials. He enjoys fishing, reading, watching classic movies, and especially, traveling with his wife, two children and their families.

**Kenneth Saul, M.D.**

A graduate of Mississippi College and the University of Mississippi School of Medicine, Ken joins us after completing his second year of internal medicine at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

**Kathleen Casamiquela, M.D.**

A graduate of the University of Southern California, Kathleen attended the University of Texas at Houston Medical School and recently completed her internship in internal medicine at St. Joseph’s Hospital Medical Center, Phoenix, Arizona.

*New Faculty continued on next page...*
Jeremy Jackson, M.D.
Originally from Meridian, Miss., Dr. Jackson attended Mississippi State University where he was a four-year letterman in baseball with the Bulldogs. Jeremy helped lead MSU to back-to-back College World Series in 1997 and 1998 and was named Academic All-American in 1997 and 1998. He was awarded the Southeastern Conference male scholar-athlete of the year award in 1998. Drafted by the Kansas City Royals in 1998, he was later traded to the New York Mets where he finished his minor league career. He moved back to Mississippi to teach and coach at Jackson Preparatory School and then enrolled at University of Mississippi School of Medicine in 2002.

Jeremy was selected as a member of Alpha Omega Alpha and was the recipient of the Walter S. Leathers Award, given to the graduate with the highest academic average. Following his Internal Medicine residency (IM) at UMMC, he spent an additional year as chief resident in IM. He completed a dermatology residency at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) where he served as chief resident and was honored to be the recipient of the Walter P. Little Award. Jeremy has an interest in medical dermatology and cutaneous lymphoma. He is particularly passionate about teaching and medical education.

Jeremy is married to his high school sweetheart, Sha Jackson (formerly Sha Boatner). They have three children: Garrett (8), Graham (7), and Ella (4).

New Affiliate Clinical Faculty*

Ralph Daniel, M.D.: Affiliate Faculty
Gary Bolton, M.D.: In approval process
Anna Asher, M.D.: In approval process
Joe Robinson, M.D.: In approval process

C. Ralph Daniel III, M.D.
Born in Columbus, Ohio, Dr. Daniel grew up in Jackson, Miss. He graduated from Vanderbilt University in three years and attended the University of Mississippi School of Medicine. After completing his residency at the University of Alabama in Birmingham, he was board certified in dermatology, and he has been in the private practice of dermatology since 1981 in Jackson, Mississippi.

Ralph served as Chief of Dermatology, VA Medical Center, Jackson, MS from 1989-2001, and, in addition to his appointment as Clinical Professor of Dermatology at the University of Mississippi, he is Clinical Professor of Dermatology at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

Ralph has served as President of the Council for Nail Disorders, President of the Mississippi Dermatology Society, Vice President of the European Nail Society, Secretary-Treasurer of the Women's Dermatology Foundation, Board of directors of Women's Dermatology society, Board of directors of NOAH Dermatology Society, the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Dermatology, and the Board of Directors of Bradley Pharmaceuticals. He is the author of several textbooks on Nail Disease and hundreds of book chapters, peer-reviewed articles, posters, and abstracts. He is well-known for his philanthropic endeavors on behalf of the American Academy of Dermatology, the Women's Dermatological Society, and the Noah Worcester Dermatological Society, and for his excellent teaching in Dialogues in Dermatology. He has been a meeting chair and speaker at well over one hundred national and international conferences on nail disorders. He is pleased to accept consultations on any and all nail disorders.

*Affiliate faculty are a critical part of our residency training program. They serve as supervisors of the dermatology resident continuity clinic, teach at Grand Rounds, resident and student conferences, and help us further the research mission of the University.
Medical Student Education and Mentoring

Many UMMC students and some residents are interested in the highly competitive field of Dermatology. An update on their projects:

1) **Allison Jones** ('13): UMMC IRB approved study comparing two forms of absorbable suture to close punch biopsy sites. 100 patients enrolled: study closed. Accepted at University of Tennessee Dermatology Residency Class 2017.


3) **Jim Griffith** ('13): Secretary, National Dermatology Interest Group (NDIG). Accomplished transformation of NDIG to not-for profit status


Please let us know if you have medical student friends or family interested in collaborating on projects with the UMMC faculty group. (Call Peg Farnham: 601/ 815-8000)

**Dermatopathology Teaching**

Special Thanks to Dr. Jennifer Schulmeier and Dr. Billy Walker for volunteering their time to teach dermatopathology to Pathology and Dermatology residents and providing pathological-clinical correlation at Grand Rounds.
Congratulations to Dr. Brodell!

Robert Brodell, M.D. has accepted a position on the Dermatology Residency Review Committee for a 6-year term beginning in the fall 2013 and on the Scientific Assembly Committee of the American Academy of Dermatology for a 5-year term beginning in 2014.

The UMMC Multidisciplinary Melanoma Clinic (MMC)

The MMC is scheduling patients on the third Friday morning of every month. Natale Sheehan, M.D. (Oncology), Will Black, M.D. (Dermatology), Ricky Clay, M.D. (Plastic Surgery) and Randy Jordan, M.D. (ENT) are seeing melanoma patients at all stages of their disease and providing co-management services with private practicing dermatologists. State-of-the-art techniques available include sentinel node biopsy, excisional surgery and complex repair, Mohs surgery for select indications, interferon, traditional chemotherapy, targeted therapy, and clinical trials. Patients will be scheduled quickly and our recommendations will be discussed with the patient and rapidly communicated to referring physicians. For an appointment call: 601/984-5590.

Continuing Medical Education

Thanks to the combined efforts of private practicing dermatologists and dermatopathologists and the dermatology faculty of the University of Mississippi, our first four Grand Round’s presentations were a great success (October 22, 2012, January 14, 2013, April 8, 2013, July 22, 2013). Mark your calendars for the next Grand Rounds on August 26, 2013. Patient viewing: 4:30 pm. Discussion: 5:00 pm. Speaker: Julie P. Wyatt, M.D., Assistant Professor of Dermatology, UMMC (6:00 pm). Topic: The Use of Cyclosporine in Dermatology. The University of Mississippi School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 2 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s) TM. Category 1 CME is provided to dermatologists without a fee.

Dermatology Education and Research of Mississippi (DERM) Fund

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National Presentations by Faculty

2. Errors in Dermatology. American Academy of Dermatology 71st Annual Meeting in Miami, Fl, Stephen Helms. 3/12/13
4. Update: American Board of Dermatology and MOC-D. 29th Annual Meeting Ohio Dermatological Association, Columbus, Ohio, Robert Brodell, 10/19/12.
7. How the Nails Solved Two Murder Cases, European Academy Dermatology, WDS, Prague, Czech Republic, Ralph Daniel, 9/26/12.
10. Nails and Systemic Disease, Brittle Nails, UAB, Resident Lecturer, Ralph Daniel, 2/15/13.

UMMC Publications in 2012-2013
Poster presentations:

Peer reviewed scientific articles and book chapters:
11. Brodell, RT, and others. COMPLIANCE HANDBOOK FOR DERMATOPATHOLOGY SERVICES GUIDANCE FOR DERMATOLOGISTS. American Academy of Dermatology, (Schaumberg, IL), 2013. Accepted 11/9/12.


