



KU DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION MEDICINE
The University of Kansas Medical Center

Monthly Newsletter

September has been big month of changes as we bid farewell to our Chairman Dr. Raj Mitra, but we also excited to have Dr. Richard Korentager as our Interim-Chairman. He serves as the Chairman for the Department of Plastic Surgery and having a close relationship with Dr. Mitra; he has graciously taken our department under his wing while the search for our next Chairperson. Dr. Korentager completed his medical training and residency at the University of Toronto and has competed fellowships in breast reconstruction, as well as a fellowship in hand surgery & micronerve surgery.

Dr. Korentager is a published author on numerous medical topics related to plastic surgery. He has a special research interest in medical simulation in patient care and medical education. He has been featured on the Discovery Channel's "Medical Miracles" and has been called on by the media many times to comment as an expert on plastic surgery. He is regularly listed on the "Top Doc" lists in the Kansas City region as well as nationally for both reconstructive and cosmetic plastic surgery. Overall, we are very fortunate to have him serve as our Interim-Chairman and know we are in great hands. Rock chalk Jayhawk!



Upcoming Birthdays

- **Dr. Shawn Frost** Research Assistant Professor – 9/1
- **Andy Hiett** PGY3 – 9/17
- **Jenny Hascall** Senior Administrator – 9/28

Faculty Feature

I became fascinated by the field of plastic surgery as a medical student when I was exposed to the broad range of cases treated by plastic surgeons and found it to be a unique combination of science and artistry. My focus on reconstructive breast surgery, burn surgery and cosmetic surgery has allowed me to have a positive impact on the lives of my patients and develop long-term relationships with them. I initially entered private practice in Toronto but after moving to Kansas City I became an academic plastic surgeon at the University of Kansas. This allowed me to hone not only my plastic surgery skills but also to pursue my zeal for education. I have devoted my time to teaching residents and students in the schools of medicine, nursing and health professions. I have also become involved in health care simulation, physician wellness and coaching. My additional training in these areas has allowed me to expand my research to include not only clinical and basic science related to plastic surgery but also education and wellness.



Richard Korentager, MD, FACS

Professor & Chair, Rehabilitation Medicine

Aimee Lambeth – PGY4

Dr. Lambeth was born in Florida and moved to Branson, MO at age 7, where she spent most of her growing up years. She attended William Jewell College in Liberty, MO, where she earned a BS in Biochemistry, and did research related to a type of brain cancer. She received her medical education at Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences and participated in research related to Parkinson's disease. She completed a Pediatrics Residency (training in general pediatrics) at the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, friends and family, admiring works of art at the Nelson-Atkins, reading a good book, or eating some delicious KC barbeque.

Resident Spotlight

KUdos

Thank you so much to Vinny and Keith for taking time out of their Saturdays to teach junior residents ultrasound. We appreciate you!.

Kudos to Sara/Elizabeth for finding a way to SERIOUSLY upgrade our department fleeces this year!

Kudos to Dr. Sarmiento for rapidly mastering complex subject matter on her first EMG rotation!



Jayhawks Abroad

Residency Program Director and Assistant Professor for the KU Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation took his office to the gorgeous beaches of Seychelles in the month of September as Dr. Alm served as the team physician for USA Swimming's Open Water team at the #FINA Junior World Championships.

FINA (Fédération Internationale de Natation) was created in 1908 during the London Olympic games and included the eight national federations at its formation.

"FINA and its aquatic disciplines are also a pillar of the Olympic Movement and give a decisive contribution to the success of the .Games." -FINA.org

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