

## **Nelson is Co-PI of a DOD grant awarded to develop an AI platform for ovarian cancer**

LMP associate professor [Andrew Nelson](#) is a Co-PI with PI Martina Bazzarro, associate professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health, in a four-year Department of Defense grant of \$700,000 for "FRANCIS: An AI-driven morphology-based platform for enhanced ovarian cancer"

## **Koob's research team is highlighted in global collaborative**

LMP professor [Michael Koob](#)'s research team is highlighted in The Brief: "[Medical School research team awarded \\$6 million to advance Parkinson's disease research, join global collaborative.](#)"

## **Karger to serve on the ADLM Nominating committee, interviewed by CAP Today**

The Association for Diagnostics & Laboratory Medicine ([ADLM](#)) has elected LMP professor [Amy Karger](#) to serve on the ADLM Nominating committee. The ADLM Nominating committee is a member-elected committee that selects candidates to serve on the ADLM Board of Directors. More information [here](#). Karger was also interviewed by *CAP Today* for the story "[Ten strategies for wider use of cystatin C testing.](#)"

## **Nelson to give a webinar on breast cancer biomarker workflows**

LMP associate professor [Andrew Nelson](#) will give a webinar "From specimen to result: Streamlining breast cancer biomarker workflows in a hybrid academic-community health system" on August 6, 1 pm. Eastern time as part of the Association for Molecular Pathology series "[Streamlining Precision Oncology Testing Protocols.](#)"

## **MCC awards Trembley a grant to study genomics of military burn pit-associated prostate cancer**

The Masonic Cancer Center ([MCC](#)) has awarded LMP adjunct associate professor Janeen Trembley a one-year \$50,000 grant for "Genomic delineation of military burn pit exposure-associated prostate cancer."

## **Murugan recognized as "Top Doctor"**

LMP professor [Paari Murugan](#) has been recognized as one of Mpls.St.Paul magazine's "Top Doctors" for 2026. He joined [201 MHealth physicians](#) so honored.

## **Ferrieri's career captures key trends in research and pathology**

LMP professor [Patricia Ferrieri](#) retires today. See LMP web feature story "[Patricia Ferrieri's unquenchable scientific curiosity will keep her engaged.](#)" Best wishes to Pat in her retirement!

## **See photo below taken at the Promotion & Tenure Reception held June 8**

## **A reminder to submit vacation time**

Have you taken vacation time recently? Don't forget to submit your time off request through MyU/My Time. For those that use QGenda, vacation time listed in QGenda does not automatically get reported in MyU/My Time, you must submit a request separately. QGenda users should not use the tasks Academic Time or Academic/Admin in lieu of vacation. If you need help submitting your time, send an email to [alrthr@umn.edu](mailto:alrthr@umn.edu).

## **Schedule a promotional consultation with OFA | [Schedule a session or email OFA](#)**

Faculty across all phases of their careers are invited to schedule a promotional consultation or career coaching session with OFA. From CV reviews for faculty preparing for promotion to career development explorations, OFA offers sessions to tackle topics that can be handled quickly. Continue to check the calendar for additional self-scheduling options.

### **Support for Parents Leading Science**

This leadership development program supports research-intensive health sciences faculty raising young children as they navigate the intersection of professional ambition, personal identity, and family life.

### **Note summer bridge funding applications**

<https://research.umn.edu/funding-awards/rio-funding-awards/grant-aid>

### **LMP research support - available to all faculty**

<https://med.umn.edu/pathology/research/research-support>

### **Note the Medical School funding opportunities tracker**

<https://med.umn.edu/research/funding-opportunities>

### **Medical School Research & Equipment Grants are available**

<https://med.umn.edu/about/honors-awards/services-faculty-students/research-equipment-grants>

### **Faculty, residents, and fellows publish**

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### **Upcoming events of interest or things to do**

#### **Send news to Bill**

Please send publications, achievement and event information and announcements you think appropriate for the LMP Newsletter or X/Twitter to Bill Hoffman at [hoffm003@umn.edu](mailto:hoffm003@umn.edu). Bill has an ongoing interest in photographs, images, and story ideas you may have for the LMP website.

LMP website: <http://www.pathology.umn.edu/>

LMP X/Twitter: <https://twitter.com/UMNLabMedPath>

Grand Rounds videos: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHSc0zfvq6SUnNvDQI6oLwA>



(l-r) Kenny Beckman, Michael Linden, Amy Beckman, Paari Murugan, Archana Bhaskaran, Jimmie Stewart, Bharat Thyagarajan, and Davina Stewart