

CALENDAR OF RECENTLY COMPLETED AND FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

Highlighting Massage Therapy in CIM Research (post-conference listing)

May 13 – 15, 2010; Seattle, WA, USA

The Massage Therapy Foundation presented the second Highlighting Massage Therapy in CIM Research conference on May 13 – 15, 2010. This three-day conference (supported in part by R13AT005420 from the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine) brought together massage and manual therapy practitioners, educators, complementary and integrative medicine (CIM) researchers, allied health professionals, and others interested in massage research. Current research related to massage and other manual therapy-specific research was presented, with a special focus on translational research and public health. The *International Journal of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork* (IJTMB) and the *Journal of Bodywork and Movement Therapies* (JBMT) are serving as the two post-conference publishing venues for selected presentations. Looking forward to the sequel to the 2010 conference, the planning stage is now underway for the “2013 International Massage Therapy Research Conference—Presented by the Massage Therapy Foundation,” which will be held on April 25 – 27, 2013, in Boston, MA.

For a retrospective overview of the 2010 conference’s highlights, please visit www.massagetherapyfoundation.org/researchconference2010.html. Also, DVDs of the 2010 Highlighting Conference are still available for purchase via the hyperlink provided.

2010 American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA) National Convention

September 22 – 25, 2010; Minneapolis Convention Center; Minneapolis, MN, USA

Several of the continuing education (CE) options offered at the 2010 AMTA National Convention were in the Research Track coordinated with the Massage Therapy Foundation. Included among these CE options were the following sessions (presenters indicated parenthetically): Case Reports: Why They’re Important and How to Submit Your Own (Michael Hamm); Steps Toward Massage Therapy Guidelines: A First Report to the Profession (Dale Healey and the Massage Therapy Foundation Best Practices Committee); Current Research: Pediatric Massage (Shay Beider, Sheila Wang, Karen Boulanger, and Sean Phipps); Cancer and Massage Therapy: What Does the Research Say? (Tracy Walton); and The Effects of Massage Therapy on Lumbar Spondylolisthesis (Shannon Halpin). In addition to the CE options, Foundation-sponsored posters were also displayed. The Foundation’s post-convention workshop was held on September 26 and 27 and included the following

two courses presented by Tracy Walton: Cancer and Massage—Safe Practices for Massage Therapists; and Massage Elements for Medically Complex Clients.

For further follow-up information and inquiries, please contact info@massagetherapyfoundation.org.

Third International Public Knowledge Project (PKP) Scholarly Publishing Conference

September 26 – 28, 2011; Berlin, Germany

Details regarding the Third International PKP Scholarly Publishing Conference are available online. This international conference is the sequel to the first two comparable conferences emphasizing open access publishing that were held in Vancouver, Canada in 2007 and 2009.

2011 AMTA National Convention

October 19 – 22, 2011; Portland, OR, USA

Several of the CE options to be offered at the 2011 AMTA National Convention are in the Research Track coordinated with the Massage Therapy Foundation. Included among these research-specific CE options are the following sessions (presenters indicated parenthetically): *Friday, October 21, 8:00 am – 11:00 am*: “Massage Efficacy—Mayo Clinic Research and Results” (Brent Bauer, MD); “Research Posters: How To Make Them, Read Them, and Use Them” (Kim Goral-Stevenson); *Saturday, October 22, 8:00 am – 12:00 noon*: “Massage Therapy Research in Hospital Settings, with Massage Therapy Foundation Case Report Contest Winners” (Brent Bauer, MD; Rosemary Chunco; Dale Healey; Allison Mitchinson); *Saturday, October 22, 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm*: “Fascia—What Do We Know and What Do We Notice” (Thomas Findley, MD, PhD). In addition to the CE options, AMTA-sponsored posters—with assistance from the Massage Therapy Foundation—will also be on display. The Foundation’s post-convention workshop is scheduled for *Sunday, October 23, 12:30 pm – 5:30 pm* and *Monday, October 24, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm*. This 12 CE-hour workshop is titled “Integral Anatomy Intensive” and will be presented by Gil Hedley, PhD.

Further details regarding the AMTA’s 2011 National Convention and the opportunity to register are available online.

Third International Fascia Research Congress

March 28 – 30, 2012; Vancouver, BC, Canada

The 2012 Fascia Congress will, as always, center on the latest and best research on the human fasciae. Additionally—and recognizing the interests of clinicians in gaining insights that will bear on practical applications—the program will be designed to include more presentation time to relating the research findings to clinical issues, particularly the practical applications of fascial layers. Sponsors of the Congress are

as follows: Hosting Sponsor—[Massage Therapists' Association of British Columbia \(MTABC\)](#); Gold Sponsor—[Ida P. Rolf Research Foundation](#); Academic Supporters—[University of Ulm/Germany, Division of Neurophysiology](#); Publishing Sponsor—[Elsevier Publishing, *Journal of Bodywork and Movement Therapies*](#); Silver Sponsors—[Massage Therapy Foundation](#) and [Dr. Rogers Prize](#). Additional academic centers and professional membership organizations are invited to financially support the 2012 congress in Vancouver. Important dates (subject to change) are as follows: registration opened—March 1, 2011; abstract submission opens—July 1, 2011; and abstract submission closes—September 15, 2011.

For further preliminary information, please visit <http://www.fasciacongress.org/2012/>.

2012 North American Research Conference on Complementary and Integrative Medicine

May 15 – 18, 2012; Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront; Portland, OR, USA

For further information, please visit www.imconsortium-conference.org.

2013 International Massage Therapy Research Conference – Presented by the Massage Therapy Foundation

April 25 – 27, 2013; Seaport Hotel and World Trade Center; Boston, MA, USA

For further information, please visit www.massagetherapyfoundation.org/

NATIONAL CENTER FOR COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE (NCCAM)/ NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH) NEWS AND GRANT APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

NCCAM-Funded/Administered Research/ Training Grants for Fiscal Year 2010

This table lists research and training grants funded or administered by NCCAM through fiscal year 2010. The results include both new and ongoing research, and projects titles link to abstracts. Also included are the archived research awards charts by fiscal year.

Use of CAM in the United States

Approximately 38% of adults in the United States aged 18 years and over and nearly 12% of US children aged 17 years and under use some form of CAM, according to the 2007 National Health Interview survey released in December 2008. This survey marks the first time questions were included on children's use of CAM. http://nccam.nih.gov/news/camstats/2007/camsurvey_fs1.htm

CAM Practitioner Research Education Project Grant Partnership Competitive Renewal (R25)

Program Number: 79329

Sponsor: NCCAM

Synopsis: The sponsor solicits Research Education (R25) grant applications from applicant organizations that were originally funded in response to The CAM Practitioner Research Education Project Grant Partnership (CAM R25) described in PAR-04-097. This current Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) provides an opportunity for those grantees to compete for up to an additional four years of R25 grant support to continue their education projects. This FOA will use the NIH Research Education (R25) grant mechanism.

Deadline: September 26, 2011

Program URL: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-095.html>

Biology of Manual Therapies (R21)

Program Number: 87574

Sponsor: NCCAM

Synopsis: The sponsor invites applications that propose to investigate the basic science and mechanisms of action underlying the biomechanical, immunological, endocrinological, and/or neurophysiological consequences of manual therapies, such as spinal manipulation, mobilization, and massage therapy. This program will use the NIH Exploratory/Developmental (R21) grant mechanism.

Deadlines: January 7, 2011, February 16, 2011, May 7, 2011, June 16, 2011, September 7, 2011, October 16, 2011, and January 7, 2014. This program will expire on January 8, 2014.

Program URL: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-10-210.html>

Biology of Manual Therapies (R01)

Program Number: 93621

Sponsor: NCCAM

Synopsis: The sponsor invites applications that propose to investigate the basic science and mechanisms of action underlying the biomechanical, immunological, endocrinological, and/or neurophysiological consequences of manual therapies, such as spinal manipulation, mobilization, and massage therapy. This program will use the NIH Research Project (R01) award mechanism.

Deadlines: January 7, 2011, February 5, 2011, May 7, 2011, June 5, 2011, September 7, 2011, October 5, 2011, and January 7, 2014. This program will expire on January 8, 2014.

Program URL: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-10-209.html>

Partnerships for Complementary Alternative Medicine (CAM) Translational Research (PCCTR) (U19)

Program Number: 71851

Sponsor: NCCAM/NIH/DHHS

Synopsis: The sponsor invites applications for the Partnerships in CAM Clinical Translational Research (PCCTR) initiative, which is designed to foster development of translational tools that will contribute to rigorous clinical CAM research and further development of clinical research expertise and leadership at CAM institutions and in the field in general. It is expected that such tools will further the rigorous study of CAM practices that are already in wide use by the American public. CAM practitioners play a vital role in rigorous research on CAM. The PCCTR will support partnerships between faculty at CAM institutions and at highly research-intensive institutions in research projects directed toward the development of CAM clinical research translational tools, including approaches, tools, and methodology that will make substantial contributions to the progress of CAM research. Each PCCTR must include at least two, but not more than three, research projects throughout the funding period. Each PCCTR should unite CAM and conventional research institutions and individuals with complementary strengths in a synergistic fashion, such that the research and intellectual productivity of the proposed projects is likely to be substantially enhanced by the proposed collaborative partnership, the abilities of the proposed collaborators, and the proposed PCCTR administrative structure. This FOA will use the U19 cooperative agreement mechanism.

Deadlines: September 19, 2011 and October 19, 2011
Deadline note: The deadline for receipt of optional letters of intent is September 18, 2011. The deadline for receipt of full applications is October 19, 2011.

Program URL: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-09-066.html>

Link to full program description: http://www.infoed.org/new_spin/spin_prog.asp?71851

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS)/NIH

NIH Clinical Trial Planning Grant Program (R34)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=47412>

Mechanisms, Models, Measurement, and Management in Pain Research (R21)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=49755>

Mechanisms, Models, Measurement, and Management in Pain Research (R03)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=49763>

Mechanisms, Models, Measurement, and Management in Pain Research (R01)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=49764>

NIH Support for Conferences and Scientific Meetings (Parent R13/U13)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=50936>

Centers of Research Translation (P50)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=51516>

SHIFT Award: Small Businesses Helping Investigators to Fuel the Translation of Scientific Discoveries (SBIR: R43/R44)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=52507>

Preliminary Clinical Studies in Preparation for Large Interventional Trials of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) Therapies (R34)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=53502>

NIDA Research Education Program for Clinical Researchers and Clinicians (R25)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=53878>

International Research Ethics Education and Curriculum Development Award (R25)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=53934>

Translating Basic Behavioral and Social Science Discoveries into Interventions to Improve Health-Related Behaviors (R01)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=59057>

NLM Grants for Scholarly Works in Biomedicine and Health (G13)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=60495>

Translational Research to Help Older Adults Maintain their Health and Independence in the Community (R21)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=71733>

Translational Research to Help Older Adults Maintain their Health and Independence in the Community (R01)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=71734>

Centers of Research Translation (P50) Modification 1

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=51516>

Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award (Parent K08)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=86541>

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS)/AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ)

AHRQ Grants for Health Services Research Dissertation Program (R36)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=48586>

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

IJTMB Indexed in PubMed Central and Quertle

The first of two editorials in the IJTMB's March 2011 issue announces in detail the inclusion of this journal in NIH's PubMed Central and its open-access affiliated Quertle database, the latter of which provides a semantic-based option to the more conventional exclusive use of keywords for literature searches. PubMed Central and Quertle are now in addition to the following six databases already indexing this journal: [Directory of Open Access Journals](#), [CrossRef](#), [Healthindex](#), [Index Copernicus](#), [Google Scholar](#), and [Hinari](#).

Outbound Linking Feature Added to the IJTMB's HTML Entries

As announced previously, beginning with the December 2010 issue an *outbound linking option* has been added to the HTML version of each editorial/article entry. Specifically, this feature provides a direct outbound link from a referenced article in an

IJTMB entry to CrossRef, PubMed Central, and/or PubMed if one or more of these three databases has indexed the reference.

Massage Therapy Foundation News

Please link to the Massage Therapy Foundation's [E-News Archives](#) for the current electronic newsletter as well as back issues dating to December 2008. This electronic resource provides valuable information pertaining to the Foundation's ongoing commitment to research, education, practice, and community service in the massage and bodywork professions.

Massage Therapy Foundation's 2011 Practitioner Case Report Contest

The Massage Therapy Foundation invites applicants for its 2011 [Practitioner Case Report Contest](#). The submission deadline is October 1, 2011. Guidelines are available via the hyperlink provided above.

IN MEMORIAM

Real Gaboriault, MSc, PhD (1951–2011)

All of us who had the privilege of knowing and working with Dr. Real Gaboriault indeed mourn the loss of a very dear friend and deeply respected colleague. He was and continues to be a source of inspiration for all of us involved in advancing the massage and bodywork professions. The memory of Real's visionary spirit and sensitivity to those in need remain as an ongoing gift to those of us who have been influenced by his life. A most fitting tribute was paid to Real by his friend and colleague, [Daniel Turcotte](#), in the March 12, 2011 issue of the Kine-Concept Institute's e-Newsletter.

Executive Editor's Note: Colleagues are strongly encouraged to share information pertinent to this News/Announcements Section of the IJTMB. Please forward possible entries to the IJTMB's Executive Editor at the following email address: hymel@loyno.edu.