

CALENDAR OF RECENTLY-COMPLETED AND FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

2009 American Massage Therapy Association National Convention (post-convention listing)

September 23 – 26, 2009; Rosen Shingle Creek Resort, Orlando, FL, U.S.A.

Several of the continuing education (CE) options offered at the 2009 American Massage Therapy Association National Convention represented the Research Track sponsored by the Massage Therapy Foundation. Included among these CE options are the following sessions (presenters indicated parenthetically): Research Rocks (Angela Palmier and Chris Alvarado); Teaching Research Literacy (Pete Whitridge); Case Report Contests: Transforming an Interesting Case into an Informative Publication (Karen Boulanger); Trust This, Doubt That: Evaluating the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly in Published Research (Karen Boulanger and Glenn M. Hymel); and Current Research on Cancer and Massage Therapy Foundation Case Report Winner Presentations (Leila Kozak, Jennifer Rosen, Marlaine C. Smith, Amy Axt Hanson, and Erika Larson).

For follow-up information regarding any of the foregoing sessions, please contact info@massagetherapyfoundation.org.

Second International Fascia Research Congress (post-congress listing)

October 27 – 30, 2009; Amsterdam, Netherlands

Recent basic and applied research and reviews in soft connective tissue sciences at all levels: molecular, cellular, tissue, organ, compartment, and limb or trunk and whole body ... and in all disciplines: molecular biology, cytology, histology, anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, biomechanics, neurology, and surgery, among others. The conference included free oral and poster presentations of peer-reviewed research, and special panels and presentations addressing the research interests of clinical practitioners in acupuncture, chiropractic, massage, neuromuscular therapies, osteopathy, physiatry, physical therapy, sports medicine, structural bodywork, and surgery. Clinical practice techniques demonstrated at both podium and small-group sessions aimed to bring manual therapy clinicians and scientists together to enhance common research interests and communication. Post congress workshops were held Saturday, October 31, 2009, at Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam. These workshops provided a forum for clinical practitioners to present their methodologies and research questions so as to cross-educate other clinicians and stimulate new areas of inquiry by research scientists. The 2009 Fascia Congress was co-sponsored by the Massage Therapy Foundation. The *International*

Journal of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork is serving as one of two post-congress publishing venues for selected presentations, with the *Journal of Bodywork and Movement Therapies* functioning as the other publishing option.

For full event details, please visit <http://www.fasciacongress.org/2009>. Key speakers/personnel are acknowledged at <http://www.fasciacongress.org/2009/speakers.php>. Selected articles made available as pre-congress resources are available at <http://www.fasciacongress.org/2009/articles.htm>. Oral and poster presentation abstracts, and an extensive glossary of terms pertinent to the congress, are available at <http://www.fasciacongress.org/2009/abstracts.htm> and <http://www.fasciacongress.org/2009/glossary.htm>.

The National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine 10th Anniversary Research Symposium: Exploring the Science of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (post-symposium listing)

December 8, 2009; Bethesda, MD, U.S.A.

The symposium videocast and podcasts are posted for viewing at <http://videocast.nih.gov/Summary.asp?File=15484>.

**Society for Acupuncture Research 2010 Research Conference
Translational Research in Acupuncture:
Bridging Science, Practice, and Community**

March 19 – 21, 2010; Chapel Hill, NC, U.S.A.

For detailed information, please visit <http://www.acupunctureresearch.org/>.

2nd Oncology Massage Healing Summit

April 30 – May 2, 2010; Bloomington, MN, U.S.A.

For detailed information, please visit <http://www.oncologymassagematters.com/2010%20Summit.htm>.

Highlighting Massage Therapy in CIM Research

May 13 – 15, 2010; Seattle, WA, U.S.A.

The Massage Therapy Foundation is pleased to present the second Highlighting Massage Therapy in CIM Research conference (see the “Save the Date” conference reminder at http://www.massagetherapyfoundation.org/pdf/STD_2010.pdf). This three-day conference [supported in part by RI3AT005420 from the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)] brings together massage and

manual therapy practitioners, educators, CIM researchers, allied health professionals, and others interested in massage research. Current research and manual therapy-related research will be presented, with a special focus on translational research and public health. The *International Journal of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork* and the *Journal of Bodywork and Movement Therapies* will serve as the two post-conference publishing venues for selected presentations.

Online registration opened October 30, 2009. For more information, please visit <http://www.massagefoundation.org/researchconference2010.html>.

5th International Congress on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Research

May 19–21, 2010; Tromsø, Norway

For detailed information, please visit <http://www.iccmr2010.com> or contact Vinjar Fønnebo at Vinjar.Fønnebo@fagmed.uit.no.

2010 American Massage Therapy Association National Convention

September 22–25, 2010; Minneapolis, MN, U.S.A.

To receive future updates on the American Massage Therapy Association 2010 National Convention, please visit http://www.amtamassage.org/forms/EarlyReg_NatConv10.html.

NCCAM/NIH NEWS AND GRANT APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

NCCAM-Funded Research for Fiscal Year 2009

Research and training grants funded for both new and ongoing research by the NCCAM during fiscal year 2009 are available in an [online table](#). The table lists the project number, project title, principal investigator, institution, and state. The [Fiscal Year 2008 research awards chart](#) is also available online for reference.

Use of Complementary and Alternative Medicine in the United States

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

Basic and Preclinical Research on CAM (R01)

Program number: 88339

Sponsor: NCCAM/National Institutes of Health (NIH)/Department of Health and Human Services

Synopsis: The sponsors offer support for basic or pre-clinical research on CAM areas of special interest with an aim to understand the mechanisms of action of a CAM modality. This program will use the NIH Research Project Grant (R01) award mechanism.

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Deadline note: Applications in response to this announcement may be submitted to <http://Grants.gov> on or after January 5, 2009. The deadlines for receipt of standard R01 applications under this announcement are February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. The deadlines for receipt of AIDS-related applications are January 7, May 7, and September 7 annually. This program will expire on January 8, 2012. Electronic application submission is required for this Funding Opportunity Announcement.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES/NIH

Ancillary Studies to Large Ongoing Clinical Projects (R21)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=47093>.

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>.

Translational Tools for Clinical Studies of CAM Interventions (R01)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=50261>.

Research on Integrity in Collaborative Research (R21)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=50442>.

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

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

Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Award (U54)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppId=51352>.

Centers of Research Translation (P50)

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES/AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

Agency for Health Care Research and Quality 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

Massage Therapy Foundation Research News and Conference Announcements

Visit [News from the Foundation](#) for announcements regarding these major topics: Highlighting Massage Therapy in CIM Research Conference details, May 13 – 15, 2010, Seattle, WA, U.S.A. [funding support (in part) by R13AT005420 from NCCAM]; Kathlyn “Kathie” Lee *In Memoriam*; Massage Therapy Body of Knowledge update; and various other research and conference announcements.

Massage Therapy Foundation’s Community Service Grants Program

The Massage Therapy Foundation invites participation in its 2010 Community Service Grants Program. The deadline for submissions is April 1, 2010. For additional information, please visit [Community Service Grant Applications](#) and [Massage Therapy for the Underserved in Your Community: How to Launch a Successful and Sustainable Community Service Project](#).

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.