

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, USA

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 were 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, Marlaire 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, USA

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

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, 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, 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.

For a retrospective overview of the conference's highlights, please visit www.massagetherapyfoundation.org/researchconference2010.html.

2010 American Massage Therapy Association National Convention

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

To receive updates on the American Massage Therapy Association 2010 National Convention,

please visit http://www.amtamassage.org/forms/EarlyReg_NatConv10.html.

Third International Fascia Research Congress *March 28 – 30, 2012; Vancouver, BC, Canada*

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

NATIONAL CENTER FOR COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE (NCCAM)/ NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (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 US 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.

Basic and Preclinical Research on CAM (R01)

Program number: 88339

Sponsor: NCCAM/NIH/Department of Health and Human Services

Synopsis: The sponsors offer support for basic or preclinical 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 (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>.

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>.

Collaborative Research on the Transition from Acute to Chronic Pain: New Models and Measures in Clinical and Preclinical Pain Research (R01)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=52182>.

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Accelerating Research Translation in Musculoskeletal and Skin Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Competitive Revision Award (R01)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=52186>.

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Accelerating Research Translation (ART) in

Musculoskeletal and Skin Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Competitive Revision Award (P01 and P50)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=52187>.

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Accelerating Research Translation (ART) in Musculoskeletal and Skin Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Competitive Revision Award (P01 and P50)

Visit <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=52188>.

SHIFT Award: Small Businesses Helping Investigators to Fuel the Translation of Scientific Discoveries [Small Business Innovation Research: 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>.

National Institute on Drug Abuse 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>.

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

Massage Therapy Foundation Research News

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

Massage Therapy Foundation's 2010 Practitioner Case Report Contest

The Massage Therapy Foundation invites participation in its [2010 Practitioner Case Report Contest](#). The deadline for submissions is October 8, 2010; see the [submission guidelines](#) for further details.

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.