

## Dr. Valdivieso Joins SIU Cancer Institute as Medical Director

Manuel Valdivieso, M.D., has been named director of the SIU Cancer Institute and professor of internal medicine.

"I am very pleased with the successful recruitment of Dr. Valdivieso, who has nearly 30 years of clinical experience, as our first director. He is a compassionate physician with energy and organizational skills who can help us make the most of the opportunity we have to move cancer care in this region to the next level," said SIU School of Medicine Dean and Provost J. Kevin Dorsey, M.D., Ph.D. "We particularly appreciate how our affiliated hospitals — Memorial Medical Center and St. John's Hospital — and the community oncologists helped us with this recruitment."

Most recently, Dr. Valdivieso was associate director of clinical investigations, director of multidisciplinary thoracic oncology and director of the clinical research office at the Harold



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C. Simmons Cancer Center of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. Previously, he directed cancer programs for Oakwood Healthcare System in Dear-

born, Mich., Wayne State University and the Karmanos Cancer Institute in Detroit; and the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

Dr. Valdivieso completed a two-year fellowship in medical oncology at UT-M.D. Anderson (1974) as well as a one-year hematology fellowship at Cook County Hospital (1972) where he also completed his medicine residency (1971). He earned his medical degree at San Marcos University Medical School (1967). He completed a master's degree in administrative medicine at the University of Wisconsin (2000).

Dr. Valdivieso is board certified in medical oncology by the American Board of Internal Medicine and is a fellow of the American College of Physicians and the American College of Chest Physicians. He has authored or co-authored more than 200 manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals.

## SIU Residencies Reaccredited; Dr. Broquet to Lead Clinical Affairs

The School of Medicine has received full institutional reaccreditation for the maximum of five years for its graduate medical education programs. The accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education covers institution-wide requirements for SIU's 14 residency programs. Most of the School's 260 residents are based at Springfield's Memorial Medical Center and St. John's Hospital.

"We want to acknowledge the support of our affiliated hospitals, especially Memorial and St. John's, where much of the clinical training takes place. We also are indebted to the many volunteer faculty in downstate communities who are part of our teaching faculty," said Paul Rockey, M.D., who has retired as associate dean for clinical affairs and is director of graduate medical education for the American Medical Association in Chicago.

Karen E. Broquet, M.D., assistant dean for graduate medical education, succeeds Dr. Rockey. An associate professor of medicine-psychiatry, Dr. Broquet has been on the SIU faculty since 1988. She has held several administrative positions, including nine years as program director for the psychiatry residency.

Broquet completed her psychiatry residency at the University of South Alabama Medical Center in Mobile (1988). She earned her medical degree from SIU (1984) and her bachelor's degree from SIU Carbondale (1981). She is board certified in adult psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.



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## High-Tech Partnership Benefits Rural Area

A high-speed web-based tele-radiography system is in the works for Washington County Hospital (WCH) through a partnership between the hospital and the School of Medicine.

The \$44,600 grant will purchase new equipment, allowing radiologists to view CT, MRI and ultrasound images when they are working at another site or from home.

"We are very pleased with our partnership with SIU School of Medicine because this grant will help provide a much needed health-care service for the residents of Washington County and the surrounding area by helping ER physicians treat patients more quickly and efficiently," said Nancy Newby, WCH chief executive officer.

"SIU is proud to support the Washington County Hospital for this project because it helps bring a cutting-edge service to its patients and increases the likelihood that patients can be treated locally," said John Record, assistant dean for rural and alumni affairs at SIU, who coordinates the School's Rural Health Initiative program.

## Dr. Murphy Named Chair of Department of Pathology

John E. Murphy, M.D., has been named chair of pathology, succeeding John Dietrich, M.D., professor of pathology, who remains on the faculty.

A professor of pathology, Dr. Murphy has been on the SIU volunteer faculty since 1977. He is medical director of the chemistry and toxicology laboratories at Memorial Medical Center.

Dr. Murphy completed his internship at LA County/University of Southern California Medical Center in Los Angeles (1971) and completed his residency in pathology and a one-year fellowship in clinical chemistry/radiochemistry at Upstate University of New York Hospital in Syracuse, N.Y. (1976, 1977). He earned his medical degree from the University of Illinois (UI) Medical School in Chicago (1970) and his bachelor's degree from the UI in Urbana-Champaign (1968).

Dr. Murphy is board certified in clinical and anatomic pathology, clinical chemistry, and radioisotopic chemistry by the American Board of Pathology.

## Researcher of the Year Receives Grant

Southern Illinois University Carbondale has named Donald M. Caspary, Ph.D., professor of pharmacology the University's Outstanding Scholar for 2003. The University will honor him during graduate school commencement ceremonies in Carbondale in May.

Dr. Caspary is the principal investigator for a five-year grant to SIU School of Medicine to study age-related hearing loss. The National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) has awarded \$1,600,144 for the project, which is studying the neurochemical changes in the central auditory brain processor that occur in rats as the inner ear changes with age. This research has important implications for future development of drug treatment for age-related hearing loss.

Dr. Caspary's research has been funded for 25 years by the NIDCD. His research at SIU has totaled more than \$4 million. He joined the SIU faculty in 1973.

## Toll-Free Pager Service Improves Patient Access

Physicians from three of the School's divisions are now using an 800-number and 24-hour-a-day pager in order to provide easy access for community physicians with pediatric patients who require urgent medical care.

Seven SIU physicians from the neonatology, pediatric surgery and pediatric critical care divisions in Springfield are using the toll-free pager service.

"Treating children with special medical needs has always been an emphasis of both SIU and the hospital programs here in Springfield," explains Dennis Crouse, M.D., professor and chief of neonatology, who helped organize the effort. "But there is a need for improved access to specialists who can arrange for emergency hospitalization, schedule surgery or provide consultation."

The toll-free number for use by medical personnel who want to reach SIU's pediatric critical care team is 1-866-SIU PEDS or 1-866-748-7337.