2010-11 HIGHLIGHTS:

- Consortium hosted NHGRI, NIH-supported conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?” in Bethesda, MD
- Consortium renewed as a University-wide center
- Consortium preparing symposia in Genetics in Medicine and Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology on managing incidental findings and research results in genomic biobanks and archives
- Consortium continued work on ARRA Challenge Grant from NHGRI, NIH on building research ethics and oversight of nanodiagnostics and nanotherapeutics
- Publication of symposium in Journal of Nanoparticle Research
- Prof. Susan Wolf testified before Presidential Commission on Bioethical Issues
- Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine presented by Prof. R Alta Charo, JD (University of Wisconsin, Madison and U.S. Food and Drug Administration)
- Lecture Series on “From Climate Change to the Gulf Oil Spill: Law and Science in Times of Crisis”
- MJLST rose in the Washington and Lee rankings and is a top-10 journal in all categories for 2010
- Joint Degree Program enrolled 5 new students for a total of 34
- Joint Degree Program graduated 6 students for a total of 39 alumni
- Consortium awarded faculty and students over $98,000 in intramural grants
2010-11 ANNUAL REPORT

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Above: JDP student Joseph Dammel, JD, MS candidate in Science, Technology & Environmental Policy and Vice Provost and Dean Henning Schroeder, PhD (University of Minnesota) at the Fall 2010 JDP Advisory Board Reception.

Right: Leslie G. Biesecker, PhD (National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health) and Kathy Hudson, PhD (National Institutes of Health) at the May 19 conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?”
Our Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences is one of the University of Minnesota’s most distinguished interdisciplinary programs. The Consortium’s ability to bridge law, values, medicine, science, and policy is renowned and respected around the world. We are pleased that the Consortium continues to bring such remarkable faculty and students together to work, here on our campus, on some of the most pressing and profound issues of our times.

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Dear Colleagues:

The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences and the Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences are proud to present our 2010-11 Annual Report. In this Annual Report we summarize our recent accomplishments, and offer a glimpse of our plans for the upcoming year, including a major conference resulting from our NIH-supported work on “Nanodiagnostics and Nanotherapeutics: Building Research Ethics & Oversight” on September 26, 2011. We give thanks to the many scholars, students, leaders, and funders who have enabled us to accomplish so much.

In 2010-11 the University of Minnesota’s Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences reached new heights. We continued our work on a renewal grant funded by the National Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health (NHGRI, NIH) on “Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives,” which resulted in a groundbreaking, standing-room-only conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?” on May 19, 2011, in Bethesda, MD. This work will result in two symposia to be published in Genetics in Medicine and the Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology. We also continued work on our NHGRI, NIH project on “Nanodiagnostics and Nanotherapeutics: Building Research Ethics & Oversight,” an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Challenge Grant, slated to result in a national conference on September 26, 2011, and a subsequent published symposium.

The Consortium published a project symposium in the Journal of Nanoparticle Research (April 2011) on “Governance of Nanobiotechnology.” This symposium resulted from our National Science Foundation (NSF)-funded work on “Evaluating Oversight Models for Active Nanostructures and Nanosystems: Learning from Past Technologies in a Societal Context.” We have built a top journal, the Minnesota Journal on Law, Science & Technology; MJLST is now ranked top-4 to top-9 in each major area in which we publish. We have established the country’s leading Joint Degree Program for students combining a law degree with one of 23 other professional and graduate degrees. In 2010-11 we had 5 new students, 6 graduates, for a total of 39 alumni. U.S. News and World Report again ranked the University of Minnesota’s Health Law Program among the top-10 in the nation. In 2010-11 we awarded students and faculty over $98,000 in intramural funds to catalyze University-wide work on the societal implications of the life sciences, bringing the total amount awarded since 2000 to over $1,000,000. We have brought to campus the top thinkers from around the country and beyond. We have established a national reputation for our programs and the University of Minnesota as the place to turn for incisive, honest debate on law, values, and science.

Under the leadership of President Robert Bruininks and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost E. Thomas Sullivan we have been able to forge new paths in interdisciplinary research and scholarship. In 2010 the Consortium was renewed as a University-wide center and remains a Presidential Interdisciplinary Academic Initiative.

The Consortium and the Joint Degree Program are unique in the nation. They have grown into leading national programs. We are proud of our research, scholarship, policy work, community engagement, and student training. Please accept our thanks for being part of this effort. We look forward to continuing our collaboration in the years to come!

Appreciatively,

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Update on the Consortium on Law and Values

In 2010-11 the Consortium reached new milestones:

**Consortium News**
- Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD, testified before the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues in February 2011
- Prof. Hari Osofsky, JD, was voted President-Elect of the Association for Law, Property & Society (ALPS) in March 2011. She will become President in March 2012.
- Prof. Ralph F. Hall, JD, testified on medical-device safety before the U.S. House of Representatives Energy & Commerce Committee’s Subcommittee on Health in February 2011.
- Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD, gave a plenary presentation and workshop presentation at the NIH-sponsored ELSI Congress in April 2011 at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

**Grants and Publications**
- The Consortium also continued work on our renewal grant funded by NHGRI, NIH, on “Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives.”
- The Consortium published a groundbreaking symposium in the Journal of Nanoparticle Research, which resulted from our work on the National Science Foundation (NSF)-funded grant on “NIRT: Evaluating Oversight Models for Active Nanostructures and Nanosystems: Learning from Past Technologies in a Societal Context.”

**Conferences and Lectures**

The Consortium and Joint Degree Program sponsored 5 events in 2010-11, including:

- the Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences on “From Climate Change to the Gulf Oil Spill: Law and Science in Times of Crisis,” featuring:
  - Prof. Daniel Farber, JD (University of California, Berkeley School of Law), on “Blue Bayou: The BP Deepwater Horizon Blowout and the Social and Environmental Erosion of the Louisiana Coast”
  - Prof. Daniel Bodansky, JD (Arizona State University School of Law), on “The International Climate Change Negotiations: The Road from Copenhagen”

- the 2010-11 Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine, featuring:
  - Prof. R. Alta Charo, JD (University of Wisconsin-Madison and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration), on “New Technologies and Old Statutes: Challenges for 21st Century Food and Medical Product Regulation”

- the Consortium Annual Conference:
  - A May 19 conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?” presenting analysis and recommendations from our NHGRI, NIH-funded project on “Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives.”
  - a lecture co-sponsored with the Institute of Human Genetics, a Consortium member center, featuring:
    - Mary Carmichael, Knight Science Journalism Fellow (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), on “Scientists and Journalists: Can’t We All Just Get Along?”

**New Associate Director**

The Consortium welcomed a new Associate Director of Research & Education for 2010-11:
- Leili Fatehi, JD, Associate Director of Research & Education, Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences; Adjunct Associate Professor of Law; and Editor-in-Chief, Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology.
New Research Associates
The Consortium added a Research Associate position in 2010-11:
- **Brittney Crock, JD**, was appointed the Consortium’s Research Associate for 2010-11
- **Cortney Jones, JD**, was appointed the Consortium’s Research Associate for 2011-12

**Minnesota Journal of Law, Science, & Technology (MJLST)**
- MJLST published Volume 12 in 2010-11
- MJLST continues to rise in the ranks. Each year, Washington and Lee University School of Law ranks law journals. In 2010 MJLST was ranked:
  - 4 of 66 in the category of Health, Medicine, Psychology, and Psychiatry
  - 5 of 33 in Science, Technology, and Computing
  - 9 of 65 in Intellectual Property
  - 8 of 54 in Environment, Natural Resources, and Land Use
- MJLST continued to offer open access to its articles, publishing articles online simultaneously with our print publication. For more information, visit www.mjlst.umn.edu

In 2011-12, the Consortium and JDP are presenting 4 events:
- a September 26, 2011 conference on “Nanodiagnositcs and Nanotherapeutics: Building Research Ethics & Oversight”
- the Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine, featuring Ezekiel J. Emanuel, PhD, MD (University of Pennsylvania), on “Health Care Reform”
- the Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences on “Food Safety: Coping with Domestic & International Challenges,” featuring Prof. Robert Brackett, PhD (Illinois Institute of Technology), and Prof. Jørgen Schlundt, PhD (Technical University of Denmark)

Further details on our 2010-11 accomplishments can be found on the Consortium’s website at www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu
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Consortium Members

The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences crosses almost all colleges at the University of Minnesota. The Consortium coordinates and builds on the strengths of 19 University centers and programs, establishing a national identity for the University of Minnesota as a leading institution working on the societal implications of developments in health, environment, and the life sciences. The Consortium brings these programs together to address interdisciplinary questions that are difficult for any one program to tackle alone. The 19 constituent programs are:

- **The Biomedical Genomics Center** was created as a part of the University of Minnesota Genomics Initiative to advance genomics research as it applies to human and animal health and to foster intercollegiate programs. The Center is using the vast amounts of information provided by sequencing of human, animal, and microbial genomes to find new ways to treat and prevent disease. The Biomedical Genomics Center is directed by Prof. Kenneth Beckman, PhD. [www.bmgc.umn.edu](http://www.bmgc.umn.edu)

- **The BioTechnology Institute (BTI)** provides advanced research, training, and university-industry interaction in biological process technology, a major area of biotechnology research. The Institute is the central University of Minnesota vehicle for coordinated research in the biological, chemical, and engineering aspects of biotechnology and home to the President’s Initiative on Biocatalysis. The Institute is directed by Prof. Michael Sadowsky, PhD. [www.bti.umn.edu](http://www.bti.umn.edu)

- **The Institute of Human Genetics (IHG)** is committed to educating and training students for opportunities in biomedical research and clinical practice. Research areas at the Institute include behavioral genetics, clinical genetics, gene therapy, genetic epidemiology, developmental biology, microchemical facility, and molecular genetics. The Institute is co-directed by Profs. Brian Van Ness, PhD, and David Largaespada, PhD. [www.med.umn.edu/ihg](http://www.med.umn.edu/ihg)

- **The Microbial and Plant Genomics Institute (MPGI)** was established in 2006 when the University’s Center for Microbial and Plant Genomics and Plant Molecular Genetics Institute merged. The Microbial and Plant Genomics Institute includes faculty who are interested in the successful development and application of genomics and its resulting societal and environmental impact. The Center is led by Prof. Nathan Springer, PhD. [www.mpgi.umn.edu](http://www.mpgi.umn.edu)

- **The Stem Cell Institute** works to further basic research in stem cell and developmental biology, translate basic research into novel therapies for genetic and degenerative disorders, apply new stem cell-based therapies in the clinic, advance and disseminate knowledge concerning stem cell biology, foster and increase public awareness of stem cells and their potential clinical applications, and address ethical issues in stem cell biology and therapeutics. The Institute is directed by Prof. Jonathan Slack, PhD, and is represented in the Consortium by Prof. Slack and Associate Director, Prof. Dan Kaufman, MD, PhD. [www.stemcell.umn.edu](http://www.stemcell.umn.edu)

- **The Center for Environment & Health Policy (CEHP)** is directed by Prof. William Toscano, Jr., PhD, Head of the School of Public Health’s Division of Environmental Health Sciences. The Center is funded by grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Minnesota Offices of Environmental Assistance, and the University of Minnesota. The Center focuses on improving assessment, management, and communication of environmental health risks and fostering environmental policy decisions. [www.sph.umn.edu/enhs](http://www.sph.umn.edu/enhs)

- **The Water Resources Center (WRC)** conducts and funds research and outreach related to water resources in the state of Minnesota. WRC also administers the graduate program in Water Resources Science. As the focal point for a broad range of research, education, and information exchange related to water resources, the WRC links faculty and student researchers with practicing professionals and citizens to address water resources issues. This facilitates effective delivery of research results to citizens and decision-makers and opens new avenues for multidisciplinary and interagency partnerships. The Center is co-directed by Prof. Deborah L. Swackhamer, PhD, Environmental Health Sciences, and Faye Sleeper, MA, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences. [www.wrc.umn.edu](http://www.wrc.umn.edu)
The **Institute on the Environment (IonE)** is directed by Prof. Jonathan Foley, PhD. IonE is discovering solutions to Earth’s biggest problems through cutting-edge research, partnerships, and leadership development. The Institute’s research addresses today’s grand environmental challenges, including the need to provide energy, food and fresh water to the world in sustainable and economically viable ways. Through IonE’s fellows program, research initiatives, and leadership courses, the Institute on the Environment brings together the brightest minds from the U of M and beyond. [www.environment.umn.edu](http://www.environment.umn.edu)

The **Center for Animal Health & Food Safety (CAHFS)** is directed by Prof. Jeffrey Bender, DVM, MS, Dipl. ACVPM; Associate Director Linda Valeri, MBA; Director of Education Prof. Scott Wells, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ACVPM; and Global Initiative Director Will Hueston, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ACVPM. Profs. Bender, Hueston, and Wells have appointments in the School of Public Health and the College of Veterinary Medicine. The Center and its affiliate, the Global Initiative for Food Systems Leadership (GIFSL), play a leadership role in assuring food safety and security from the farm to the consumer. CAHFS and GIFSL do this regionally, nationally, and internationally through risk communication, applied research, integrated animal and public health surveillance, expanded educational programs, leadership development, and facilitation of creative prevention and quality assurance strategies involving producers, processors, distributors, retailers, food service, and consumers. The Center also directs the Veterinary Public Health Residency Program and provides services to government, industry, and non-governmental organizations through its Public Practice service unit. [www.cahfs.umn.edu](http://www.cahfs.umn.edu)

The **Center for Bioethics** was led by Prof. Jeffrey Kahn, PhD, MPH, Maas Family Chair in Bioethics until August 2011. The Center’s mission is to advance and disseminate knowledge concerning ethical issues in health care and the life sciences. The Center conducts original interdisciplinary research, offering educational programs and courses, fostering public discussion and debate through community outreach activities, and assisting in the formulation of public policy. The Center is currently led by Interim Co-Directors Profs. Debra DeBruin, PhD, and Mary Faith Marshall, PhD. [www.ahc.umn.edu/bioethics](http://www.ahc.umn.edu/bioethics)

The **Center for Cognitive Sciences (CCS)** is an interdisciplinary research center serving as the foundation for research in the cognitive sciences at the University of Minnesota. Its members represent 14 University departments and 6 colleges. The Center provides its members with opportunities to share their insights on recent advances and develop interdisciplinary research collaborations. The Center’s primary mission continues to be the facilitation of interdisciplinary research and teaching in cognitive science. The Center is directed by Prof. Apostolos P. Georgopoulos, MD, PhD, Department of Neuroscience. [www.cogsci.umn.edu](http://www.cogsci.umn.edu)

The **Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP)** is directed by Prof. Michael Osterholm, PhD, MPH, Division of Environmental Health Sciences, School of Public Health; Associate Director Jill DeBoer, MPH; and Director of Operations Elaine Collison, MPA. Prof. Osterholm also directs the NIH-supported Center of Excellence for Influenza Research Surveillance within CIDRAP. The Center’s mission is to prevent illness and death from infectious diseases through epidemiologic research and the rapid translation of scientific information into real-world practical applications and solutions. The Center’s work supports the development of public policy reflecting current biomedical knowledge and promoted sound practices among both health care professionals and the public. A primary focus of the Center in the last several years has been enhancing pandemic influenza preparedness in the United States and internationally through avian influenza virus research, providing critical information to businesses, and identifying and sharing promising practices among public health authorities. [www.cidrap.umn.edu](http://www.cidrap.umn.edu)

The **Center for Neurobehavioral Development** is directed by Prof. Michael Georgieff, MD, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology, and Institute of Child Development. The Center’s Associate Director is Prof. Megan Gunnar, PhD, Institute of Child Development. The Center studies the developing human brain and its relationship to normal and abnormal development. The Center trains graduate students, funds research projects, and serves as a site for non-medical developmental clinics. [www.cehd.umn.edu/cnbd](http://www.cehd.umn.edu/cnbd)
The Center for Spirituality & Healing celebrated 15 years in 2010 as a nationally recognized leader in integrative medicine, bringing together biomedical, complementary, cross-cultural, and spiritual care. The Center provides interdisciplinary education, clinical care, and outreach, integrating evidence-based research to establish a new model of health care in the 21st century. The Center is led by founding Director Prof. Mary Jo Kreitzer, PhD, RN, FAAN, School of Nursing. www.csh.umn.edu

The Healthy Food, Healthy Lives Institute’s (HFHL) mission is to increase and sustain the University’s impact in the interdisciplinary arena of food, agriculture, and health by building the University’s capacity in research, learning, and community engagement. HFHL focuses on food safety, prevention of obesity and chronic disease, and food policy. Within these priority areas, a key focus is the integration of agriculture and medicine. The Institute’s Director is Prof. Mindy S. Kurzer, PhD. www.hfhl.umn.edu

The National Center for Food Protection and Defense (NCFPD) is a University-based research center supported by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security bringing together national academic, industry, and public-sector partners to develop ways of enhancing our nation’s capability to protect the food supply from intentional contamination. The Center is directed by Prof. Shaun Kennedy, BSE-ChE, College of Veterinary Medicine. www.ncfpd.umn.edu

The Center for Science, Technology & Public Policy (CSTPP) is directed by Senior Fellow Steve Kelley, JD, Humphrey School of Public Affairs. The Center aims to improve people’s lives by advancing the application of science and technology to solve public problems. CSTPP explores the increasingly important role that science and technology play in our society and examines their implications for public policy at the international, national and state level. The Center also supports research and teaching in the Humphrey School’s MS degree in Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy, which is chaired by Prof. Deborah Swackhammer, PhD, Environmental Health Sciences. www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/stpp

The International Science & Technology Practice and Policy Center (InSTePP) undertakes economic research on strategic science and technology policies. The Center analyzes private and governmental behavior affecting the conduct, performance, and economic consequences of R&D worldwide. The Center is directed by Prof. Philip G. Pardey, PhD, Department of Applied Economics. www.instepp.umn.edu

The Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences (JDP) is led by founding Director, Prof. Susan Wolf, JD, McKnight Presidential Professor of Law, Medicine & Public Policy; Faegre & Benson Professor of Law; and Professor of Medicine; and Professor William Toscano, Jr., PhD, Environmental Health Sciences, School of Public Health and Associate Director, Joint Degree Program. The University of Minnesota’s Joint Degree Program is training students to become experts in the legal, ethical, and policy problems posed by health, the life sciences, and the environment in the 21st century. www.jointdegree.umn.edu

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The Consortium and Joint Degree Program created a joint Executive Committee in 2003. The Executive Committee was established to facilitate the work of the Consortium and Joint Degree Program by sharing intellectual responsibility for our programming and planning in order to take full advantage of the extraordinary expertise in both programs.

Executive Committee members are elected to 3-year staggered renewable terms, with Consortium and Consortium/Joint Degree Program Associate Directors are appointed ex officio. Committee members in 2010-11 included the following:

Prof. Jeffrey Kahn, PhD, MPH (Center for Bioethics), was elected to a 3-year term beginning 2009. He is the Maas Family Chair in Bioethics and Professor, Center for Bioethics; Department of Medicine, University of Minnesota Medical School; School of Public Health; and Department of Philosophy.

Prof. Shaun Kennedy, BSE-ChE (National Center for Food Protection and Defense), was elected to a 3-year term beginning 2010. He is the Director for the National Center for Food Protection and Defense, an Assistant Professor of Veterinary Population Medicine, and Director of Partnerships and External Relations for the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Prof. Michael A. Kilgore, PhD (Forest Resources), was elected to a 3-year term beginning in 2009, representing the Joint Degree Program’s Governing Committee. He is an Associate Professor and Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of Forest Resources, University of Minnesota.

Prof. Hari Osofsky, JD (Law School; Consortium), was added ex officio to the Executive Committee in 2010. Prof. Osofsky is Associate Professor in the Law School, and Associate Director of Law, Geography & Environment in the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences.

Prof. Michael Sadowsky, PhD (Soil, Water & Climate), was elected to a 3-year term beginning in 2008. He is a Professor and Director of the BioTechnology Institute, and Co-Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of Soil, Water & Climate, College of Food, Agricultural, and Natural Resource Sciences.

Prof. Deborah Swackhamer, PhD (Water Resources Center; Hubert H. Humphrey School), was elected to a 3-year term beginning 2008. Prof. Swackhamer is a Professor of Environmental Chemistry in the Division of Environmental Health Sciences in the School of Public Health, Co-Director of the Water Resources Center, and the Humphrey School’s Charles M. Denny, Jr. Chair in Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy.

William Toscano, Jr., PhD (Environmental Health Sciences; Joint Degree Program), was added ex officio to the Executive Committee when he began his appointment as Associate Director of the Joint Degree Program in 2009. Prof. Toscano is Professor and Head of the Division of Environmental Health Sciences and Head of Global Programs, School of Public Health.
The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences is one of 6 University-wide centers at the University of Minnesota. Under University policy, University-wide centers must be aligned with the University’s strategic priorities, authorized by the President and Senior Vice Presidents, and report to one of the Senior Vice Presidents or his/her designees.

It is the policy of the University of Minnesota to review each University-wide center every five years. In Spring 2010, the Consortium was the first University-wide center to be reviewed under this policy. Four distinguished external reviewers spent two days on campus meeting with a wide range of stakeholders. The External Reviewers enthusiastically recommended continuation of the Consortium as a University-wide center. The Provost’s Interdisciplinary Team unanimously endorsed this recommendation. In Fall 2010, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost E. Thomas Sullivan approved the continuation of the Consortium as a University-wide center for 5 more years, at which time the Consortium will again be reviewed. The Provost congratulated the Consortium on its remarkable achievements. We are gratified by renewal as a University-wide center and are energized to continue our important work. To learn more about University-wide centers, visit academic.umn.edu/provost/interdisc/cigp.html

The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences has a history of being recognized as a Presidential Initiative. In 2000, then-President Mark Yudof established the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences. In 2003, then-President Bruininks designated the Consortium as the Presidential Interdisciplinary Initiative on Law and Values. In 2006 President Bruininks named Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost E. Thomas Sullivan as head of the Consortium’s Initiative.

In 2010-11 Presidential Initiative funding allowed the Consortium to publish the Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology; to offer intramural grant funding to further work on the societal implications of the life sciences by Consortium member centers, plus programs and departments participating in the Joint Degree Program; to host our annual conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?” held in Bethesda, MD; and to offer public events such as the Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences on the 2010-11 theme “From Climate Change to the Gulf Oil Spill: Law and Science in Times of Crisis.”

The Consortium responds to the most challenging legal and ethical questions of the 21st century: questions posed by biomedicine and the life sciences. These are questions that require a new kind of cross-disciplinary work fully marrying legal, ethical, and scientific expertise. The University’s commitment to grappling with these emerging and complex questions is part of its land-grant legacy of serving the people of Minnesota, the country, and the world. More information about the University’s commitment to interdisciplinary research and studies can be found at www.grad.umn.edu/oii
New Grants & Research

We are gratified that the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF) Foundation support our research.

The Consortium is leading efforts in the ethical, legal, and social implications of scientific research in the areas of nanobiotechnology, nanomedicine and nanotherapeutics, neuroscience, regenomics, and incidental findings in human subjects research. In 2010-11 the Consortium continued work on an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Challenge Grant from the National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health (NHGRI, NIH) on “Nanodiagnostics and Nanotherapeutics: Building Research Ethics and Oversight” and a renewal grant funded by NHGRI, NIH to continue work on “Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives.”

A new 5-year grant on “Disclosing Genomic Incidental Findings in a Cancer Biobank: An ELSI Experiment” has recently been awarded by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) at NIH. Co-Principal Investigators are Profs. Barbara Koenig, PhD (University of California, San Francisco); Gloria Petersen, PhD (Mayo Clinic College of Medicine); and Susan M. Wolf, JD (University of Minnesota).

In addition, the Consortium routinely supports the grant-seeking efforts of faculty throughout the University of Minnesota and beyond.

“Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives”

Principal Investigator: Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD
Co-Investigators: Profs. Jeffrey Kahn, PhD; Frances Lawrenz, PhD; and Brian Van Ness, PhD

The 2-year, $911,559 project funded by NHGRI at NIH, has convened a multidisciplinary Working Group of national experts to analyze and generate recommendations on managing incidental findings and individual research results in genomic research using biobanks and archived datasets. In order to understand the genetic contribution to a host of diseases and conditions of great importance to public health, scientists are increasingly assembling large biobanks, archiving many individuals’ DNA and health information for scientific reanalysis over time. However, there is no clarity about what individual health information, if any, should be offered to those people generous enough to participate by contributing their DNA and health information.

Some prominent biobanks are giving back none at all. This project has brought together leading experts on bioethics, genomics, biobanking, and law to recommend policies and practices on return of both incidental findings and individual research results that may have importance for the individual contributor.
The Consortium worked on this project funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF). This project resulted in groundbreaking publications including symposia in the *Journal of Nanoparticle Research* (2011) and the *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics* (2009), plus an April 15, 2010 conference on “Governing Nanobiotechnology: Reinventing Oversight in the 21st Century.” This 4-year, $1.22 million project developed oversight models for nanobiotechnology. The project began September 1, 2006 and involved a national Working Group. Prof. Susan Wolf, JD (Law School) has been the Principal Investigator. Co-Principal Investigators have been: Prof. Jennifer Kuzma, PhD (College of Science & Engineering); Jordan Paradise, JD (Seton Hall Law School); and Prof. Gurumurthy Ramachandran, PhD (School of Public Health).

The Consortium website for our NSF-funded NIRT grant provides information on project working group members, resources including a project bibliography, and project outcomes. For more information, visit [www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/nirt-public](http://www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/nirt-public). Project members include:

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- Prof. Christy Haynes, PhD, University of Minnesota
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- Robin Johnson, Cargill Foundation
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- Prof. Bradley Karkkainen, JD, University of Minnesota
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- Prof. Andrew Maynard, PhD, University of Michigan
- Prof. Kristen Nelson, PhD, University of Minnesota
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- Prof. Susanna Hornig Priest, PhD, University of Nevada
- Prof. David Y.H. Pui, PhD, University of Minnesota
- Prof. T. Andrew Taton, PhD, University of Minnesota
- Prof. Elizabeth J. Wilson, PhD, University of Minnesota
- Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD, University of Minnesota

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**Co-Investigators:** Profs. Jeffrey McCullough, MD; Ralph Hall, JD; and Jeffrey Kahn, PhD, MPH

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**Nanodiagnostics and Nanotherapeutics: Building Research Ethics & Oversight**

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- Prof. Steve Campbell, PhD, University of Minnesota
- Prof. Rebecca Dresser, JD, Washington University in St. Louis School of Law
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- Cortney Jones, JD, Law School
- Andrea Mosher, JD, MA candidate, Bioethics
- Mao Thao, PhD candidate, Educational Psychology

To view publications resulting from grants see pages 40-41 of this publication, or visit [www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/research_publications](http://www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/research_publications)
Consortium Intramural Grants

2010-11 Intramural Grant Awards

Since 2001 the Consortium has awarded over $1,000,000 in grants to encourage campus-wide work on the societal implications of problems in health, environment, and the life sciences. In November 2010 we issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to Consortium members and Joint Degree Program partners and one to University of Minnesota graduate/professional students.

The subcommittee recommending the intramural awards to the full Consortium included Consortium Executive Committee members Profs. Jeffrey Kahn, PhD, MPH; Shaun Kennedy, BSE-ChE; Michael Kilgore, PhD; William Toscano, Jr., PhD; and Susan Wolf, JD.

These grants are made possible by funds received through the Presidential Interdisciplinary Academic Initiative. In October 2003, President Robert Bruininks named the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences one of 8 Presidential Interdisciplinary Initiatives.

RFP for Consortium Members and JDP Partner Programs

In November 2010, we issued an internal Request for Proposals to Consortium member centers and graduate or professional programs or departments participating in the Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences seeking funding for research, projects, or colloquia in Summer 2011 or Academic Year 2011-12. Applicants were current University of Minnesota faculty members who (1) direct a program or center represented in the Consortium or (2) serve as the head or Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) of a department or graduate or professional program represented in the Joint Degree Program.

We made 2 awards, totaling $46,011:

1. Center for Science, Technology, and Public Policy (Steve Kelley, Jennifer Kuzma, Kathryn Quick), Public/Expert Boundary Work in Environmental Risk Management: The Emerald Ash Borer—awarded $27,500; and

2. Institute of Human Genetics (Brian Van Ness, Bonnie LeRoy, Patricia McCarthy Veach), Every Picture Tells a Story: Effects of Photographic Images on Perceptions and Attitudes about Genetic Conditions—awarded $18,511.

RFP for Graduate and Professional Students

The RFP to graduate and professional students is intended to provide a stipend for research and writing and cover research-related expenses in the Summer 2011 or Academic Year 2011-12. We were delighted that the RFP stimulated 33 proposals from students in 24 programs around the University.

Seven awards were made for a total of $52,259:

1. Let Them Eat Ducks! Using Agent-based Modeling of the Village Poultry Sector in Thailand to Identify Measures that Control Influenza Transmission While Mitigating Negative Socioeconomic Impacts—Amanda Beaudoin, PhD candidate, Veterinary Medicine ($9,018 awarded);

2. Chinese Green Capitalism and Urban Sustainability: The Cases of Shanghai’s Dongtan Eco-City and Tianjin Eco-City—I-Chun Catherine Chang, PhD candidate, Geography ($9,420 awarded);

3. The Ecological Roots of a Religious Crisis: Holy Land Ecology, Religious Belief, and Environmental Policy—Joshua Mabie, PhD candidate, English ($6,581 awarded);

4. Precarious Waters and Questionable Futures: Origins of Scarcity and State-Building in Syria—Basil Mahayni, PhD candidate, Geography ($6,875 awarded);

5. We Get Patients: Understanding the Culture of Patient Recruitment Organizations—Elita Poplavska, PhD candidate, Pharmaceutical Care and Health Systems ($6,379 awarded);

6. Mapping Climate Change Policy in New Zealand’s Emissions Trading Scheme—Phillip Claude-Dziuk Vaughter, PhD candidate, Conservation Biology ($4,060 awarded); and

7. Linking Non-Governmental Organizations, Water Law, and Community Values: Lessons from Western Kenya—Valerie Were, PhD candidate, Natural Resources Science and Management ($9,926 awarded).

For more information, or to view proposals, visit www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/rfps/rfp2009-10
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MJLST Ranks High Among Law Journals

Each year, Washington and Lee University School of Law ranks law journals. We are pleased that Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology continues to rank high among law journals in these categories:

- Health, Medicine, Psychology, and Psychiatry: 4 out of 66
- Science, Technology & Computing: 5 out of 33
- Environment, Natural Resources, and Land Use: 9 out of 65
- Intellectual Property: 8 out of 54

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Update on the Joint Degree Program

In 2010-11 the Joint Degree Program:

- Welcomed 5 new students for a total of 34 in Fall 2010
- Graduated 6 students for a total of 39 alumni, including our first JD/MD
- Appointed Adjunct Associate Prof. Leili Fatehi, JD, Associate Director of Research & Education for 2010-11
- Ranked again in the top 10 health law programs by U.S. News & World Report
- Had 9 students complete the Concentration in Health Law & Bioethics
- Expanded support for JDP students career services to include a Mock Interview and Resume Review Workshop with JDP Advisory Board Members
- Restructured the JDP Advisory Board to include a Board Membership Committee chaired by Mark Ellinger, JD, PhD, Senior Principal, Fish & Richardson, and a Student Support Committee chaired by Judith Walker, JD, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and Chief Compliance and Ethics Officer for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota
- Co-sponsored with the Center for Bioethics the Deinard Memorial Lecture Series on Law & Medicine, featuring Prof. R. Alta Charo, JD (University of Wisconsin and U.S. Food and Drug Administration) on “New Technologies and Old Statutes: Challenges for 21st Century Food and Medical Product Regulation”
- Saw Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD, renewed as Director, Joint Degree Program
- Saw Prof. William Toscano, Jr., PhD, renewed for 3-year term as Associate Director of the Joint Degree Program

The Joint Degree Program is unique in the nation and enables students to combine a JD with a PhD, MD, MS, MPH, MHA, or MA in less time, with more academic support, and with potentially more financial support than if the students were to pursue the two degrees separately. Students who show good cause may also create an ad hoc joint degree with a Graduate School program relating to health, environment, or the life sciences that is not formally part of the Joint Degree Program. Students pursuing Graduate School degrees have the option of completing graduate minors in Bioethics, Bioinformatics, or Human Genetics. The Joint Degree Program spans 8 collegiate units plus the Center for Bioethics and involves more than 400 faculty members. We partner with 15 graduate and professional programs on campus and offer the following degree combinations:

- a JD with an MHA in Healthcare Administration
- a JD with an MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy
- a JD with an MPH in Epidemiology
- a JD with an MPH in Maternal and Child Health
- a JD with an MPH in Community Health Education
- a JD with an MA in Bioethics
- a JD with an MS in Science, Technology & Environmental Policy
- a JD with an MS or PhD in Ecology, Evolution, and Behavior
- a JD with an MS or PhD in Conservation Biology
- a JD with an MS, PhD, or MPH in Environmental Health
- a JD with an MS or PhD in Natural Resources Science and Management

The Joint Degree Program’s website www.jointdegree.umn.edu is the best resource for learning about the degree combinations offered by the program. Descriptions of each degree combination, application instructions, and links to our partner programs’ websites are popular features, as is the “Careers” page, which profiles our alumni and others with joint degrees to show prospective students the myriad career options available to them.
Joint Degree Program Options & Faculty

The Joint Degree Program’s strength is in the exceptional quality of the individuals who teach and learn here. The Joint Degree Program currently spans 8 collegiate units, and offers 23 degree combinations with over 400 faculty members. Known for their cutting-edge scholarship and interdisciplinary thinking, our distinguished faculty members provide guidance to students in the Joint Degree Program. Discover more by visiting the websites of the participating programs listed below:

- Law School: www.law.umn.edu
  Faculty: www.law.umn.edu/faculty/index.html
  JD combined with one of 23 available degree combinations

- Molecular, Cellular, Developmental Biology & Genetics (MCDB&G): www.mcdbg.umn.edu
  Faculty: www.mcdbg.umn.edu/html/fac_abc.html
  JD with an MS or PhD in Molecular, Cellular, Developmental Biology & Genetics

- Pharmacology: www.pharmacology.med.umn.edu
  Faculty: www.pharmacology.med.umn.edu/faculty.html
  JD with an MS or PhD in Pharmacology

- Medical School: www.med.umn.edu
  Faculty: www.med.umn.edu/medical-school-faculty/
  JD with an MD in Medicine

  Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty/
  JD with an MS or PhD in Health Services Research, Policy & Administration

- Healthcare Administration: www.sph.umn.edu/programs/MHA/
  Healthcare Administration Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty
  JD with an MHA in Healthcare Administration

- Public Health Administration & Policy (PHAP): www.sph.umn.edu/programs/phap/
  Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty
  JD with an MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy

- Epidemiology: www.sph.umn.edu/programs/epi/
  Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty
  JD with an MPH in Epidemiology

- Maternal and Child Health: www.sph.umn.edu/programs/mch/
  Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty
  JD with an MPH in Maternal and Child Health

- Community Health Education: www.sph.umn.edu/programs/che/
  Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty
  JD with an MPH in Community Health Education

- Center for Bioethics: www.ahc.umn.edu/bioethics
  Faculty: www.ahc.umn.edu/bioethics/facstaff/
  JD with an MA in Bioethics

- Science, Technology & Environmental Policy (STEP): www.hhh.umn.edu/degrees/ms_step/
  Faculty: www.hhh.umn.edu/people/faculty_fellows.html
  JD with an MS in Science, Technology & Environmental Policy

- Ecology, Evolution, and Behavior (EEB): www.cbs.umn.edu/eeb
  Faculty: www.cbs.umn.edu/eeb/faculty
  JD with an MS or PhD in Ecology, Evolution, and Behavior

- Conservation Biology: www.consbio.umn.edu
  Faculty: www.consbio.umn.edu/find/faculty.php
  JD with an MS or PhD in Conservation Biology

- Environmental Health Sciences (EnHS): www.sph.umn.edu/programs/ehs/
  Faculty: www.sph.umn.edu/facstaff/ourfaculty
  JD with an MS, PhD, or MPH in Environmental Health Sciences

- Natural Resources Science & Management (NRSM): www.nrsm.umn.edu
  Faculty: www.nrsm.umn.edu/People/
  JD with an MS or PhD in Natural Resources Science and Management

The Joint Degree Program has provided me with an unparalleled opportunity to combine my interests in public health law and bioethics, and to build relationships with talented students and faculty throughout the University of Minnesota. In particular, Law School faculty members have expressly supported my academic pursuits because of the importance an interdisciplinary perspective can bring to the legal arena.

Rick Weinmeyer, MPhil
JD/MA candidate in Bioethics
The Joint Degree Program welcomed 5 new students in Fall 2010 and had 34 students pursuing the following degree combinations:

- JD/PhD in Molecular, Cellular, Developmental Biology & Genetics (MCDB&G) (Lauren Beach, Rachel Herder, Keli Holzapfel, Sarita Mutha)
- JD/MS in MCDB&G (Michael Schubert)
- JD/MS in Science, Technology & Environmental Policy (Joseph Dammel)
- JD/MS in Natural Resources Science and Management (Catherine Pfender)
- JD/MD (Tchao-Hou Thao, Lindsey Yock)
- JD/MS in Health Services Research, Policy & Administration (Michelle Dawson)
- JD/MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy (Heather Baird, Lindsay Carniak, Anne Dwyer, Brian Grady, Mollie Guran, Sally Holthouse, Mia Hunt, Elizabeth Karan, Sara Koehring, Catherine London, Alissa Lyon, Pari McGarraugh, Britta Orr, Kristin Paulson, Taylor Pierce, Amber Thomas, Ashley Zborowsky)
- JD/MPh in Epidemiology (Christopher Walker)
- JD/MPh in Community Health Education (Anne McNamara)
- JD/MS in Pharmacology (Jamie Kurtz)
- JD/MS in Plant Biological Sciences (Christopher Pinahs)
- JD/MS in Chemistry (David Hanna)
- JD/MS in Bioethics (Grace Fleming, Richard Weinmeyer)

Three students were awarded a partial Joint Degree Program Scholarship in Fall 2010; one student received a one-year Harold M. Fredrikson Memorial Scholarship; one student received the 2010-11 Wolf Scholarship in Law, Health & the Life Sciences; and two students received a partial JDP Scholarship; two received a partial Law School Scholarship; and one received a guaranteed Graduate Research or Teaching Assistantship.

In Fall of 2011 we will welcome 3 new students pursuing the following degree combinations: JD/MA in Bioethics, JD/MPH in Environmental Health, and JD/PhD in Conservation Biology.

Graduate School students are also eligible to apply for the following interdisciplinary fellowship opportunities:

- The Mark and Judy Yudof Fellowship is for graduate students (Master’s or PhD) pursuing interdisciplinary work whose content is focused in the areas of science policy and ethics. One award is made annually, granting full resident tuition plus a stipend of $22,000 for the academic year. For more information, see www.grad.umn.edu/fellowships/endowed/
- The Interdisciplinary Doctoral Fellowship is awarded to outstanding Graduate School students whose current or proposed dissertation topic is interdisciplinary and who would benefit from interaction with faculty at one of the University’s interdisciplinary research centers or institutes. Recipients of the Fellowship in 2011-12 will receive a stipend of $22,500 for the academic year, plus full tuition. Twelve Fellowships were awarded for 2010-11.
Students in the Joint Degree Program are talented, innovative, and committed. They are pursuing cutting-edge fields of study. We are proud to list their selected accomplishments in 2010-11:

**Heather Baird, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2009. In 2010, she was a Summer Intern with the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. In Spring 2011, she clerked at the U.S. Attorney’s Office. In Summer 2011, she worked on a variety of health law matters as a summer associate at Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff in Columbus, Ohio.

**Lauren Beach, JD, PhD** candidate in Molecular, Cellular, Developmental Biology & Genetics, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2007. She is currently funded by a three-year National Institutes of Health (NIH) individual fellowship. In July 2011, she presented her research at the American Society for Virology conference. In 2010, Lauren received the University of Minnesota’s Mary A. McEvoy Award for Public Engagement and Leadership in recognition of her academic achievements and service benefiting the GLBT communities.

**Joseph Dammel, JD, MS** candidate in Science, Technology & Environmental Policy, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2009. In 2010-11, he worked as a Research Assistant for Prof. Elizabeth Wilson at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs, where he studied the legal implications of geologic sequestration of carbon dioxide. In Spring 2011, he co-authored an article that was published in the journal *Environmental Science and Technology*. In 2010-11 he was a staff member of the *Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology*, Volume 12, and was elected Editor-in-Chief for Volume 13. His Note on the regulation of hydraulic fracturing was selected for publication in Volume 12:2. In Summer 2011, he worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the agency’s Superfund division.

**Anne Dwyer, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, served as a Research Assistant for Professor Kristine Hickman as well as a Law Clerk for the Minnesota Disability Law Center in Summer 2010. In 2010-11, she served as a Law Clerk for the Battered Women’s Justice Project. She worked with Prof. Sarah Gollust on a media content analysis of the release of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force guidelines for breast cancer screening. In Summer 2011, she worked at the National Health Law Program (NHeLP).

**Brian Grady, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, was involved with many Minnesota Justice Foundation projects in 2010-11 including: Housing Court Outreach Advocate for Renters in Foreclosure, Mankato Family Law Clinic, and Health Care Decisions Day. In Summer 2011 he worked as a Law Clerk at the Minneapolis law firm of Aafedt, Forde, Gray, Monson & Hager, P.A. and as a Research Assistant for Prof. Susan Wolf.

**David Hanna, JD, MS** candidate in Chemistry, worked as a chemical patent searcher for the University of Minnesota Office of Technology Commercialization (OTC) in 2010. In Summer 2010, he drafted biochemical and mechanical device patent applications and Office Action responses as a clerk at Westman, Champlin & Kelly. In 2010-11, he also served as President of the Student Intellectual Property Law Association (SIPLA).

**Rachel Herder, JD, PhD** candidate in Molecular, Cellular, Developmental Biology & Genetics, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2006. In Spring 2011, she was a Teaching Assistant for Prof. Jeffrey Kahn’s course on Biomedical Ethics. She was awarded a Developmental Biology Training Grant through the University of Minnesota’s Developmental Biology Center’s NIH Grant. She will be presenting a poster on her PhD research entitled “Regulation of ecdysone biosynthesis in Drosophila melanogaster” at the 70th Annual Society for Developmental Biology Meeting in Chicago, IL.

**Sally Holthouse, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, enrolled in the Joint Degree Program in 2009. During Summer 2010, she was awarded a grant from the Minnesota Justice Foundation to serve as a law clerk at the Minnesota Disability Law Center. In 2010-11, she was a Research Assistant for the Long-Term Care Research Center. She is currently a student worker at the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Interagency Office of Health Reform.

**Elizabeth Karan, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2008. During Spring and Summer 2010, she worked as a Law Clerk in the Legal Management Office of the Minnesota Department of Health and Human Services. She also worked with Prof. Lynn Blewett on a comparative health systems article which was published in *Minnesota Medicine* magazine. In 2010-11 she was a Managing and Research Editor for the *Minnesota Law Review* and spent Spring 2011 studying at Tilburg University in the Netherlands. During Summer 2011, she worked with the Legal Department at the Cleveland Clinic.

**Catherine London, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2009. In 2010 she served as a Law Clerk in Mayo Clinic’s Legal Department. During Summer 2011 she worked as a Summer Associate at Fredrikson & Byron. She served as Lead Managing Editor of *Law & Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice*. Her article, “Racial Impact Statements: A Proactive Approach to Addressing Racial Disparities in Prison Populations,” was published in Volume 29. Her article, “Advancing a Surrogate-Focused Model of Gestational Surrogacy Contracts,” has been accepted for publication in Fall 2011.

**Pari McGarraugh, JD, MPH** candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2009. She spent Summer 2011 working as a Law Clerk in the Mayo Clinic’s Legal Department and as a Graduate Assistant in the State Health Access Data Assistance Center. During the 2010-11 academic year, she served as a Research Assistant for Profs. Susan Wolf and William McGeveran.

**Richard Weinmeyer, MPhil, JD, MA** candidate in Bioethics, joined the Joint Degree Program in 2009. He is currently the elected Joint Degree Program Student Representative on the Governing Committee, Co-Vice President for Outlaw (the Law School GLBT student group), and is a Research Assistant for Prof. Kristin Hickman examining Department of Treasury rule promulgation and regulation.
Joint Degree Program Proseminar

Since 2000 the Joint Degree Program has offered a Proseminar course for all Joint Degree Program students each Fall, on “Law, Health & the Life Sciences: Joint Degree Program Proseminar.” Law 6875 is a one-credit pass/fail seminar that meets Wednesdays over lunch and provides a supportive and collegial forum in which students can explore the interdisciplinary issues that our Joint Degree Program addresses with faculty from the cooperating programs and other experts.

In recent years, the Proseminar has been divided into two sections. The first section, required for students in the first two years of the Joint Degree Program, invites guest speakers to present to the group on the legal, ethical, and policy implications of their work, followed by discussion led by students. The roster of speakers for this section changes every year and includes University of Minnesota faculty and researchers, as well as lawyers and other law or science professionals in the community. This section is open to non-Joint Degree Program students with advanced degrees in health or the life sciences by consent of the instructors if space permits.

In Fall 2010, Section 1 of the Proseminar was led by Prof. Susan Wolf, JD.

The schedule included:

- **Prof. Lynn Blewett, PhD**, on “Health Care Reform and Access Issues: Overview of the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 and Associated Controversy”
- **Prof. Bill McGeveren, JD**, on “Privacy Considerations in the Development of Health Information Technology”
- **Prof. Carl Elliott, MD, PhD**, on “Impact of Commercialization on the Integrity of Biomedical Research: Examining Recent Cases of Academic Fraud or Dishonesty”
- **Prof. Ruth Okediji, LLB, LLM, SJD**, on “Recouping Public Investment in Co-Funded Scientific Research: Making a Case for Compulsory Government Royalties”
- A Career Panel, including Erin Keyes, JD; Alan Haynes, JD; Stacey Tidball, JD; Andrew Gibbons, JD, MS; and Erin B. Furlong, JD, MPH
- **Prof. Jeff Bender, DVM, MS**, on “Assessing the Global Response to the Veterinary and Zoonotic Infectious Disease”
- **Prof. Russell Luepker, MD, MS**, on “Ethics & Policy Issues Raised by Large-Scale Epidemiological Studies”
- **Keith Halleland, JD**, on “Evolution of Health System Reform and Payment Methodologies”
- **Prof. Doris Taylor, PhD**, on “Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (iPS): Impact on the Scientific and Regulatory Landscape of Stem Cell Research, and on the Associated Ethical Debate”
- **Ruth Mickelsen, JD, MPH**, on “Democratic Deliberation and Bioethics: What Are We Learning?”
- **Prof. Susanna Blumenthal, JD, PhD**, on “History of the Relationship Between Law and Psychiatry”
In Section 2, Joint Degree Program students with more than 2 years of experience made presentations to their peers. Each student is responsible for making one presentation per term. Students are given broad latitude in choosing topics to present. Presentation options include results from their own research (either lab- or literature-based), a published article, or an overview of a developing topic within their general field of study.

Section 2 was led by Prof. William Toscano, PhD, Professor, Environmental Health Sciences, and Adjunct Assoc. Prof. Leili Fatehi, JD.

Following extensive consultation with Joint Degree Program students, the Governing Committee, and our Advisory Board, the Proseminar format and requirement will be changed effective Fall 2011. The new format will reduce the demand on JDP students and allow for greater flexibility in program planning. Under the new design, there will only be one section of the Proseminar for all students, thus allowing more interaction between new students with more advanced students. JDP students will now only be required to take the Proseminar twice, typically during their first and second years in the program. Following two years of enrollment in the Proseminar, JDP students may choose annually whether to enroll. Students who have taken the Proseminar twice will also be allowed the opportunity to present at the Proseminar.

The Fall 2011 schedule includes:

- **Prof. William Toscano, Jr., PhD**, Director, Center for Environment & Health Policy; Professor of Molecular Toxicology; Head, Division of Environmental Health Sciences; Chair, Center for Global Health and Social Responsibility; and Associate Director, Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences, on “Emerging Global Diseases”
- **Prof. Kathleen Thiede Call, PhD**, Director of Graduate Programs, Health Services Research, Policy & Administration, on “National Health Reform and Immigrant Populations: Who Is Left Behind?”
- **Prof. Hari Osofsky, JD**, Law School, and Associate Director of Law, Geography & Environment, Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences, on “Proposal for a Legal Framework for Geoengineering Climate Change”
- **Prof. Brian Van Ness, PhD**, Co-Director, Institute of Human Genetics, and Professor, Department of Genetics, Cell Biology and Development, on “The Ethical, Clinical, and Bench Science Implications of Returning Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Research”
- **Prof. Frances Lawrenz, PhD**, Associate Vice President for Research and Professor, Educational Psychology, on “Interdisciplinary Research in Science: The Significance of Evaluating Study Design and Research Methodologies”
- **Prof. Daniel Schwarcz, JD**, Law School, on “Where Does Health Insurance Fall in the Larger Concept of Insurance Law?”
- **Prof. Elizabeth Wattenberg, PhD**, Environmental Health Sciences, on “Policy Dimensions of Cancer Epidemiology”
- **Prof. Debra DeBruin, PhD**, Interim Co-Director, Center for Bioethics, and Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, on “Ethical Issues Regarding Including Women in Research”
- **Prof. Craig Hedberg, PhD**, Environmental Health Sciences, on “Surveillance and Control of Foodborne Disease”
- **Richard Weinmeyer, MPhil** (JD, MA candidate in Bioethics), on “HIV/STD Partner Notification”
- **Mark Ellinger, JD, PhD**, Senior Principal, Fish & Richardson, LLC., on “The Significance of Stem Cell Patents to Discovery, Research, and Use of New Cell-Based Therapies”
- **Prof. Susan Galatowitsch, PhD**, Restoration Ecology, Horticulture Science, on “Policy Considerations in Ecosystem Restoration”
- **Prof. Beth Virnig, PhD, MPH**, Associate Dean for Research and Professor, Division of Health Policy & Management, School of Public Health, on “Ethical and Policy Issues in End-of-Life Care”

For more information, visit [www.jointdegree.umn.edu](http://www.jointdegree.umn.edu)
The Concentration in Health Law & Bioethics continues to grow. In Spring 2011, 9 law students completed the requirements of the Concentration: Bernadette Conteh, Rachel Herder, Mia Hunt, Christian Krautkramer, Paul Landahl, Amanda Maccoux, Kristin Paulson, Talor Pierce, and Eva Stensvad. An additional 23 law students have declared and are completing the Concentration requirements.

The Health Law & Bioethics Concentration allows students to focus their studies on health care delivery, public health law and ethics, international health, or issues in bioethics. Concentrations are available to all JD and LLM students, including those pursuing dual degrees. Students who have successfully completed the Concentration will receive a certificate of completion upon graduation and a notation will be added to their transcript stating that the requirements of the Concentration have been fulfilled.

Concentrations build upon and complement the Law School’s rigorous standard curriculum and give students access to the expertise of faculty throughout the University. Interested students confer early in their legal education with the Faculty Chair and the Concentration Coordinator to discuss their intended course of study and how a Concentration can enhance their career development.

Prof. Susan Wolf is the Faculty Chair of the Concentration in Health Law & Bioethics and Carol Rachac, MA, coordinates the program. The Health Law & Bioethics Concentration requires 12 credits, including a combination of required and recommended courses in the Law School, Graduate School, School of Public Health, and Center for Bioethics.

Concentration faculty are drawn from across the University, including faculty from the Law School, School of Public Health, Medical School, and Center for Bioethics. As students immerse themselves in a wide range of interdisciplinary courses they begin to address the legal implications of law, bioethics, health care delivery, health care reform, genetics and assisted reproduction, mental health issues, insurances, and food and drug law. The following faculty represent a cross-section of nationally distinguished scholars who teach in health law and bioethics:

**Concentration Core Faculty—Law School:**
Prof. Stephen F. Befort, JD (Law)
Prof. Brian Bix, DPhil, JD (Law; Philosophy)
Prof. Suzanna Blumenthal, PhD, JD (Law; History)
Prof. Dale Carpenter, JD (Law)
Prof. Michelle B. Goodwin, JD, LLM (Law)
Prof. Ralph Hall, JD (Law)
Prof. Jill Hasday, JD (Law)
Prof. Amy Monahan, JD (Law)
Prof. Ruth Okediji, LLB, LLM, SJD (Law)
Prof. Daniel Schwarcz, JD (Law)

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*The Concentration in Health Law & Bioethics gave me exposure to a broad range of health and ethical issues in law and how those issues are incorporated into the practice of health law. Understanding the intersection of health, ethics, and law is critical for my job in health policy and that knowledge is exactly what the Concentration covered.*

-Kristin Paulson, JD, MPH
Research Associate
School of Medicine
Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine
University of Minnesota

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In 2010-11, the University of Minnesota Law School was again ranked in the top 10 Health Law Programs by *U.S. News & World Report*. The University of Minnesota Law School offers Concentrations, enabling law students to specialize in fields such as Health Law & Bioethics, Human Rights Law, and Labor & Employment Law. Beginning Fall 2011, students may also earn a Concentration in Environment and Energy Law, or in Business Law.
Prof. Kathryn J. Sedo, JD (Law)
Prof. David S. Weissbrodt, JD (Law)
Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD (Law; Medicine; Bioethics)
Prof. Judith T. Younger, JD, LL.D (Law)

**Concentration Core Faculty—Outside the Law School:**
Prof. Dianne Bartels, RN, MA, PhD (Bioethics)
Prof. Muriel Bebeau, PhD (Dentistry; Bioethics; Educational Psychology)
Prof. Debra DeBruin, PhD (Bioethics; Medicine)
Prof. Carl Elliott, MD, PhD (Bioethics; Pediatrics; Philosophy)
Prof. John Eyler, PhD (History of Medicine)
Prof. Jennifer L. Gunn, PhD (History of Medicine)
Prof. Sarah Holtman, PhD, JD (Philosophy)
Prof. William D. Hueston, DVM, PhD (Veterinary Population Medicine; Public Health)
Prof. Susan D. Jones, PhD, DVM (Ecology, Evolution, and Behavior)
Prof. Jeffrey P. Kahn, PhD, MPH (Bioethics; Medicine; Public Health; Philosophy)
Prof. Rosalie Kane, DSW (Public Health; Social Work; Bioethics)
Prof. Barbara Koenig, PhD (Mayo Clinic & University of Minnesota; Bioethics)
Prof. Joan Liaschenko, RN, PhD (Bioethics; Nursing)
Prof. Mary Faith Marshall, PhD (Bioethics; Medicine)
Prof. Michelle Mason, PhD (Philosophy)
Prof. Steven H. Miles, MD (Bioethics; Medicine)
Prof. Michael T. Osterholm, PhD, MPH (Public Health)
Prof. Gregory A. Plotnikoff, MD, MTS (Clinical Medicine, Pediatrics)
Prof. Ed Ratner, MD (Bioethics; Medicine)
Prof. John Song, MD, MPH, MAT (Bioethics; Medicine)
Prof. Valerie Tiberius, PhD (Philosophy)
Prof. Leigh Turner, PhD (Bioethics)
Prof. Maryam Valapour, MD (Medicine; Bioethics)
Prof. Beth A. Virnig, PhD, MPH (Public Health; Bioethics)

For a complete list of Health Law & Bioethics Concentration faculty, visit www.jointdegree.umn.edu/faculty_and_staff/core_faculty

**Law School Student Organizations**
The Joint Degree Program encourages students to get involved in relevant student organizations such as the Health Law & Bioethics Association (HLBA), the Student Intellectual Property Law Association (SIPLA), and the Environmental Law Society.

**Health Law & Bioethics Association**
The Health Law & Bioethics Association (HLBA) is a student organization dedicated to providing students with practical career guidance in the field of health law and fostering awareness, critical thought, and debate about topics in bioethics. HLBA embraces interdisciplinary discourse and collaborates with students and organizations from other colleges at the University of Minnesota.

**Student Intellectual Property Law Association**
The Student Intellectual Property Law Association (SIPLA) strives to promote the study and pursuit of careers in all aspects of intellectual property law for students with or without technical backgrounds, including careers in patent, copyright, and trademark law. SIPLA provides a forum for communication between students and intellectual property law practitioners and functions as a student network that encourages students to learn from the experiences of others while formulating their career strategies.

**Environmental Law Society**
The Environmental Law Society (ELS) works to improve opportunities at the Law School for studying and embarking on the practice of environmental law, and to apply legal skills to current environmental problems.

For more information on student organizations, visit www.law.umn.edu/prospective/studentorgs.html

**Joint Degree Program Student Fellows**
The JDP Fellows Program, established in 2008-09 in consultation with the JDP Advisory Board, provides the opportunity for students to get involved in the program who already hold a degree in law or in the sciences and are not enrolled as joint degree students. Each fall, law students who hold an advanced degree in a health or life science field and graduate students in a health or life science field who already have a JD are invited to be Joint Degree Program Student Fellows while enrolled in the Law School or the Graduate School.

**2010-11 Fellows**
Laura Arneson, PhD
Christian Krautkramer, MPH
Tommy Noh, PhD
Eva Stensvad, MD
Xinghao Wang, MA, PhD
Xuelin Wang, PhD
Trevor Woodage, PhD
Elizabeth Sandberg, MS

**Alumni**
Timothy Christman, JD (’09), MS
Matthew Easterday JD (’09), PhD
Rebecca Hays, JD (’10), PhD
Laurie Kellogg, JD (’10), MS, PhD
The Joint Degree Program hosts several events throughout the Academic Year. In 2010-11 the JDP held a Fall Student Welcome Reception, a Fall JDP Advisory Board Reception hosted by Lindquist and Vennum LLP, and a Spring JDP Graduation Reception. The JDP also co-sponsors the Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine with the Center for Bioethics, and co-sponsors the Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences with the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences.
Mia Hunt, JD, MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy
Mia Hunt joined the Joint Degree Program in 2009 after completing her first two years of Law School at the University of Minnesota. She earned her BS in Biology with a Bioethics minor from Lawrence University and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. In Summer 2009, she interned with the Minnesota Coalition against Sexual Assault, funded by a Robina Public Policy Fellowship. While interning she participated in the Human Trafficking Task Force Legislative Committee and helped draft proposed legislation. In Summer 2010, she clerked at the Minnesota Department of Human Services, where she has continued to work in 2010-11. Ms. Hunt completed a policy specialty area at the School of Public Health and a Concentration in Health Law & Bioethics in the Law School.

Jamie Kurtz, JD, MS in Pharmacology
Jamie Kurtz joined the Joint Degree Program in 2008 after completing her first year in Law School. She earned a BS in Pharmacology and Toxicology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. She interned at the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation in the Summer of 2008. She also worked for Axley Brynelson, LLP. In 2009-10 she participated in the Intellectual Property Moot Court, becoming a Student Director the next year. In Summer 2010, she worked with Robins Kaplan Miller & Ciresi, LLC as a Summer Associate focusing on trademark and patent law. Ms. Kurtz graduated in December 2010 and in April 2011 began work as an Associate at Robins Kaplan Miller & Ciresi, LLC in the Intellectual Property Litigation Department.

Britta Orr, JD, MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy
Britta Orr joined the Joint Degree Program in 2005, after receiving her BA in Philosophy from Northwestern University. While a law student, Ms. Orr clerked for the Bloomington firm of Larkin Hoffman Daly & Lindgren Ltd. She completed her public health field experience in the division of Health Policy & Medical Management at the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Since graduating Law School and being admitted to the bar in 2009, Ms. Orr has worked at the Minnesota Medical Association developing policy and advocating on behalf of Minnesota physicians. She completed her Master’s project, “Paid Parental Leave in America: Defining the Access Gaps,” in 2011.

Kristin Paulson, JD, MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy
Kristin Paulson joined the Joint Degree Program in Fall 2007, beginning her studies in the Law School. She graduated with a BA in Population Biology and a minor in Philosophy from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She began her Master’s work at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Epidemiology, transferring to a Master’s Program in Public Health Administration & Policy at the University of Minnesota. She was awarded a fellowship from the Upper Midwest Human Rights Foundation to study health care systems and policy development in Nepal in Summer 2010. In 2008-10, she was employed through the Center for Bioethics and the Medical School as a Research Assistant for Prof. Maryam Valapour, working on transplantation policies and ethics. Since graduating, she has continued her work with Dr. Valapour in the School of Medicine as a Research Associate.

Taylor Pierce, JD, MPH in Public Health Administration & Policy
Taylor Pierce joined the Joint Degree Program in Fall 2007, beginning her studies in the Law School. She graduated summa cum laude from Emory University with a BA in Spanish and a double major in Latin American and Caribbean Studies. During Law School, she served as a Law Clerk for the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis in the Housing Unit, worked for the Refugee Health Program of the Minnesota Department of Health, volunteered at the Battered Women’s Legal Advocacy Project, worked as a Research Assistant for Prof. Marsha Freeman, and was a Fellow at the Centre for Public Interest Law in Accra, Ghana, funded by the Robina Public Policy and Upper Midwest Human Rights fellowship programs. She also served as the Managing Editor for the Minnesota Law Review. In Summer 2010, she worked as a Summer Associate for the Cleveland Clinic Law Department. Once admitted to the Ohio Bar, she will be a Staff Attorney in the Regulatory Group of the Cleveland Clinic’s Law Department.

Lindsey Yock, JD, MD
Lindsey Yock joined the Joint Degree Program in 2005. In 2008, she was awarded her JD, magna cum laude, with a concentration in Health Law & Bioethics, and was admitted to the Minnesota Bar. She served as a Note & Comment Editor for the Minnesota Law Review in 2007-08 and as a staff member in 2006-07. While a law student, she worked as a Research Assistant for Prof. Susan M. Wolf and as a judicial intern for U.S. District Court Judge Patrick J. Schiltz. She is an honors graduate of Harvard University, where she earned a BA in Biochemistry. She received her MD in May 2011 and began a residency in pediatrics at the Mayo Clinic, in Rochester, MN.
51% of JDP alumni are working in Minnesota, with 49% in cities including:
- San Diego, CA
- San Francisco, CA
- Denver, CO
- Chicago, IL
- Boston, MA
- Houston, TX
- Seattle, WA
- Washington, DC

Past and current alumni have gone on to judicial clerkships including:
- Hon. Robert R. Beezer, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals
- Hon. David S. Doty, U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
- Hon. Patricia O. Cotter, Montana Supreme Court

Our alumni currently hold positions with the following firms and organizations:

Private firms:
- Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione (IL)
- Casimir Jones (WI)
- Covington & Burling (CA)
- Dorsey Whitney (MN)
- Goodwin Proctor (CA)
- Halleland Habicht (MN)
- Hogan Lovells (DC)
- K&L Gates (WA)
- Leonard Street and Deinard (MN)
- Patterson Thuente (MN)
- Proskauer Rose (MA)

Joint Degree Program Alumni & Careers

Academia & research:
- School of Public Health, UMN

Public interest and advocacy organizations:
- MN Medical Association
- BioBusiness Alliance (MN)

Government agencies:
- MN Attorney General, Department of Human Rights
- MN Office of the Legislative Auditor, Program Evaluation Division
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the General Counsel (DC)
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Counsel to the Inspector General (DC)
- U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (MD)
- U.S. Food and Drug Administration (DC)
- U.S. Occupational Safety & Health Administration (DC)
- U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (VA)

Companies:
- Boston Scientific (MN)
- St. Luke’s Episcopal Health System (MN)

JDP students have held a wide variety of Summer Internships and Fellowships. The majority of JDP students pursue a JD with a Master’s degree, which can be completed in 4 years. As a result, these students have 3 summers to intern. JDP students are encouraged to use the third summer to pursue a wide variety of summer experiences.

Summer placements have included:

Private firms:
- Aefedt Forde Gray Monson & Hager PA (MN)
- Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP (OH)
- Chadbourne & Parke (NY)
- Dorsey & Whitney (MN)
- Faegre & Benson (MN)
- Fulbright & Jaworski (DC)
- Hogan Lovells (DC)
- Hurley, Burish and Milliken (WI)
- Kaplan, Strangis and Kaplan, PA (MN)
- K&L Gates (WA)
- Nilan Johnson Lewis (MN)
- Merchant & Gould (MN)
- Robins Kaplan Miller & Ciresi, LLC (MN)
- Stoel Rives (MN)
- Westman, Champlin & Kelly (MN)
- Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati (CA)

Judges and government agencies:
- Hennepin County Office of Multi-Cultural Services
- Justice James C. Nelson, Montana Supreme Court
- MN Department of Health
- MN Department of Human Services
- Magistrate Judge Holly Fitzsimmons (CT)

Office of the Judge Advocate General (DC)
- U.S. District Court Judge Joan Erickson (MN)
- U.S. District Court Judge Patrick J. Schultz (IL)
- U.S. District Court Judge Richard H. Kyle (MN)
- U.S. District Court Judge John R. Tunheim (MN)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (MA)
- AARP (DC)
- Battered Women’s Justice Project
- Center for Public Interest Law
- Clean Water Action
- Defenders of Wildlife
- Earthjustice (CO)
- Families USA Foundation
- Farmers Legal Action Group
- HIV Alliance (OR)
- Legal Aid Society, MN Center for Environmental Advocacy
- MN Aids Project
- MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault
- MN Disability Law Center
- National Business Group on Health (DC)
- National Health Law Program (DC)
- Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services
- World Health Organization (Geneva)

Joint Degree Program Alumni
- Robert Berlin, JD, MPH
- Melanie E. Kleiss Boerger, JD, MS
- Kari Bomash, JD, MPH
- Kelsey Brodsho, JD, MS
- Iliana Chaudhuri, JD, MPH
- Benjamin Coler, JD, MS
- Trevor K. Copeland, JD, MS
- Jill Dabrowski, JD, MPH
- Sharada Devarasetty, JD, MS
- Lily Ewing, JD, MS
- Erin Furlong, JD, MPH
- Lesli Rawles Gallagher, JD, MS
- Andrew Gibbons, JD, MS
- Glenn Gilbert, JD, MS
- Robert Goetz, JD, MS
- Jonathan Hareid, JD, PhD
- Lindsey Hopper, JD, MPH
- Mia Hunt, JD, MPH
- Margaret Jacot, JD, MS
- Stephanie Johnson, JD, MS
- Rebekah Kent, JD, MS
- Laurel Kilgour, JD, MS
- Ji Eun Kim, JD, MS
- Katherine Krueger, JD, PhD
- Jamie Kurtz, JD, MS
- Crystal Liu, JD, MPH
- Geeta Naidu, JD, MPH
- Garrett Olson, JD, MS
- Britta Orr, JD, MPH
- Jenny Cooner Patten, JD, MHA
- Kristin Paulson, JD, MPH
- Susan Pribyl Perera, JD, MS
- Sarah Johnson Phillips, JD, MS
- Taylor Pierce, JD, MPH
- Marie Quasius, JD, MPH
- Lisbeth Robinson, JD, PhD
- KJ Starr, JD, MPH
- Jeannine J. Thiele, JD, MS
- Lindsey Yock, JD, MD

Companies:
- Children’s Hospital (CO)
- Cleveland Clinic (OH)
- Excelsior Energy (MN)
- Mayo Clinic (MN)

Research organizations:
- Centre for Environmental Economics, Central Queensland Univ., Australia
- HIV/STI Intervention & Prevention Studies Program, Div. of Epidemiology, UMN
- Office of Technology Commercialization, UMN
- Research Subjects’ Protection Programs & Office of Regulatory Affairs, UMN
- Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation, UW, Madison

Fellowships:
- Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School, UMN
- First-Year Fellowship, Graduate School, UMN
- Midwest Human Rights Fellowship, Human Rights Center, Law School
- Robina Public Policy Fellowship, Law School
Joint Degree Program Faculty & Governing Committee

The Joint Degree Program is led by a faculty Director and Associate Directors with the help of a Governing Committee comprised mainly of the Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) or equivalent in each cooperating program plus a Joint Degree Program student elected by his or her peers.

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Prof. Brad Karkkainen, JD (University of Minnesota); Katherine Klink, PhD (University of Minnesota); Daniel Bodansky, JD (Arizona State University); Hari Osofsky, JD (University of Minnesota); and Stephen Polasky, PhD (University of Minnesota) at the 2010-11 Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences.

JDP student Pari McGarraugh (JD, MPH candidate in Public Health Administration & Policy) and JDP Advisory Board member Martha Brand, JD, at the Fall 2010 JDP Advisory Board Reception.
On May 19th, 2011 the University of Minnesota's Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences held our Annual Conference in Bethesda, MD on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?” This conference was supported by our National Institutes of Health’s National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) grant on “Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives.”

The conference presented recommendations and analysis on managing incidental findings and individual research results in genomic research using biobanks and archived datasets. In order to understand the genetic contribution to a host of diseases and conditions of great importance to public health, scientists are increasingly assembling large biobanks, archiving many individuals’ DNA and health information for scientific reanalysis over time. This conference brought leading experts on bioethics, genomics, biobanking, and law to recommend policies and practices on return of both incidental findings and individual research results that may have importance for the donor.

The conference opened with an introductory address by Kathy Hudson, PhD (National Institutes of Health).

The morning session was divided into four sections. The first section, titled “Keynotes: Genomic Biobanks & Archives Face the Problem of Incidental Findings and Return of Research Results,” was moderated by Jeffrey P. Kahn, PhD, MPH (University of Minnesota), and presented by Leslie G. Biesecker, MD (National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health) and Isaac Kohane, MD, PhD (Children’s Hospital Boston and Harvard Medical School).

Next, the conference focused on “Managing Incidental Findings and Return of Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives.” This session, presenting our project’s analysis and policy recommendations, was led by Prof. Susan M. Wolf, JD (University of Minnesota), and included Jeffrey P. Kahn, PhD, MPH (University of Minnesota); Brian Van Ness, PhD (University of Minnesota); and Frances Lawrenz, PhD (University of Minnesota).

Frances Lawrenz, PhD (University of Minnesota), then presented “Publically Available Guidance on Managing Incidental Findings and Return of Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives: Empirical Findings & Analysis.”

The morning portion of the conference concluded with an invited panel of experts who provided their reaction to the policy recommendations. This section was moderated by Brian Van Ness, PhD (University of Minnesota), and included panelists Laura Lyman Rodriguez, PhD (National Institutes of Health); Nicole C. Lockhart, PhD (National Cancer Institute); Marianna Bledsoe, MA (Department of Veterans Affairs); Jerry Menikoff, MD, JD, MPP (Office for Human Research Protections, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services); and P. Pearl O’Rourke, MD (Partners HealthCare System and Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research). The panel and investigators then took questions.

The afternoon sessions of the conference included two sets of concurrent workshops, with each workshop moderated by a project investigator.

“Session A1: Biobank Structure and Governance: Coping with Incidental Findings & Return of Individual Research Results” was moderated by Brian Van Ness, PhD (University of Minnesota), and included panelists Scott Jewell, PhD (Van Andel Research Institute and International Society for Biological and Environmental Repositories), on “ISBER Perspectives on Biorepository Return of Results & Incidental Findings”; Michael F. Christman, PhD (Coriell Institute for Medical Research), on ”Return of Genetic Results in the Era of Personalized Medicine”; William McGeveran, JD (University of Minnesota), on “Impact of
Data Privacy Regulation on Incidental Findings and Return of Individual Results; Gloria Petersen, PhD (Mayo College of Medicine), on “Institutional Governance of Incidental Findings: The Mayo Clinic Experience”; and Karen Maschke, PhD (The Hastings Center) on “Retrofitting No-Results Biobanks and Biobanks in Development to Manage Individual Results and Incidental Findings.”

“Session A2: What Findings and Results Should Be Returned and How?” was moderated by Susan M. Wolf, JD (University of Minnesota). Panelists included Bartha Knoppers, JD, PhD (McGill University and Genome Québec Innovation Centre), on “International Normative Perspectives on Return of Individual Results and Incidental Findings in Genomic Biobanks”; Wendy Wolf, PhD (Children's Hospital Boston), on “Managing Incidental Findings and Individual Research Results in Genotype/Phenotype Research Using Electronic Medical Records”; Ingrid Holm, MD, MPH (Children’s Hospital of Boston), on “The Informed Cohort Oversight Board (ICOB): From Values to Architecture” (paper with Patrick Taylor, JD); Ellen Wright Clayton, MD, JD (Vanderbilt University), on “Critique of Current Proposals for Addressing Return of Research Results & Individual Findings”; Isaac Kohane, MD, PhD (Children’s Hospital Boston and Harvard Medical School), on “Quantifying and Managing the Incidentalome: How Many Incidental Findings Will Genomic Research Yield and With What Implications?”; and Stephanie Malia Fullerton, DPhil (University of Washington School of Medicine), on “Offering Aggregate Results to Participants in Genomic Biobanks and Archives” (paper with Laura Beskow, MPH, PhD; Wylie Burke, MD, PhD; Richard R. Sharp, PhD).

“Session B1: Returning Findings from Secondary Research and Reanalysis: Current Practices, Issues & Policy Solutions” was moderated by Leili Fatehi, JD (University of Minnesota). Panelists included Joseph Thakuria, MD (Harvard University), on “Informed Consent, Biobanking, and Data Distribution in the Personal Genome Project”; Amy McGuire, JD, PhD (Baylor College of Medicine), on “Ethical and Policy Considerations in Disclosing from Downstream Users”; and Henry S. Richardson, JD, MPP, PhD (Georgetown University), and Mildred K. Cho, PhD (Stanford University), on “Secondary Researchers’ Duties to Return Incidental Findings and Individual Research Results: A Partial-Entrustment Account.”

“Session B2: Engagement with Specific Populations on Management of Incidental Findings & Research Results in Genomic Biobanks & Archives” was moderated by Jeffrey P. Kahn, PhD, MPH (University of Minnesota), and included panelists Francine C. Gachupin, PhD, MPH (University of New Mexico), on “Engagement with American Indian/Alaska Native Populations on Genomic Findings & Results”; Alan R. Shuldiner, MD (University of Maryland), on “Addressing Incidental Findings and Return of Individual Research Results in Genetic Research Involving the Old Order Amish”; Judy Illes, PhD (University of British Columbia), on “Individual or Community Consent? A Vexing Challenge for Incidental Findings”; Benjamin S. Wilfond, MD (University of Washington School of Medicine), on “Pediatric Assent in Genetic Research: Addressing Incidental Findings and Individual Research Results”; and Rebecca Fisher, MLIS, on “A Closer Look Revisited: Are We Subjects or Are We Donors?”

“Session B3: Empirical Assessment and Outcomes of Returning IFs & IRRs, Including Stakeholder Preferences” was moderated by Frances Lawrenz, PhD (University of Minnesota). Panelists included Lisa Parker, PhD (University of Pittsburgh), on “Returning Individual Research Results: What Role Should People’s Preferences Play?”; Robert C. Green, MD, MPH (Brigham and Women’s Hospital and Harvard Medical School), on “How Do Participants in a Genetics Disclosure Study Respond to the Return of Unexpected Results?”; Joan A. Scott, MS, CGC (National Coalition for Health Professional Education in Genetics), on “Return of Research Results: What Do People Really Want and Why?”; Barbara Koenig, PhD (Mayo College of Medicine), on “Patient Perspectives on Return of Results in Biorepositories for Life-Threatening Illness”; Bonnie S. LeRoy, MS, CGC (University of Minnesota), on “Genetic Counseling: What is the Experience of Providing Test Results and the Lessons for Return of Research Results?”; and Moira Keane, MA, CIP (University of Minnesota), on “The IRB Experience in Overseeing Return of Results and Incidental Findings.”

“Reports from Concurrent Workshops & Next Steps” was moderated by Susan M. Wolf, JD (University of Minnesota), and included panelists Jeffrey P. Kahn, PhD, MPH (University of Minnesota); Brian Van Ness, PhD (University of Minnesota); and Frances Lawrenz, PhD (University of Minnesota).

This event was designated by the University of Minnesota’s Office of the Vice President for Research to satisfy the Awareness/Discussion component of the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Continuing Education requirement and provided 7.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ (CME).

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Prof. Frances Lawrenz, PhD (University of Minnesota) at the May 19 conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?”

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Pamela S. Krop, JD (St. Jude Medical), and R. Alta Charo, JD (University of Wisconsin, Madison and U.S. Food and Drug Administration) at the 2010-11 Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine.

Prof. Alex Klass, JD (University of Minnesota); Daniel Farber, JD (University of California, Berkeley); Eric Sheppard, PhD, MA (University of Minnesota); and Hari Osofsky, JD (University of Minnesota) at the 2010-11 Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences.

Laura Lyman Rodriguez, PhD (National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health) at the May 19 conference on “Should We Return Individual Research Results and Incidental Findings from Genomic Biobanks & Archives?”
Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences

The Consortium’s Lecture Series has sponsored 2-3 lectures per year since 2000. Each lecture brings to campus an eminent scholar examining the societal implications of the life sciences, features faculty and others providing interdisciplinary commentary, and is followed by an invitational lunch discussion involving selected faculty members, community members, and government leaders as well as Joint Degree Program students. The 2010-11 Lecture Series focused on “From Climate Change to the Gulf Oil Spill: Law and Science in Times of Crisis.” Prof. Hari Osofsky, JD, Law School, and Associate Director of Law, Geography & Environment, Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences, spearheaded this year’s Lecture Series.

Thursday, October 7, 2010

Prof. Daniel Farber, JD, (University of California, Berkeley School of Law), spoke on “Blue Bayou: The BP Deepwater Horizon Blowout and the Social and Environmental Erosion of the Louisiana Coast.” Prof. Eric Sheppard, PhD, MA (Geography, University of Minnesota) and Prof. Alexandra B. Klass, JD (Law, University of Minnesota) provided commentary.

In his lecture, Prof. Farber argued that the Louisiana Coast was under grave threat from erosion, rising seas, and pollution even before the explosion on the British Petroleum Deepwater Horizon platform. Whole communities have vanished under rising water, and the livelihoods and communities of people who depend on fishing for income has been threatened. The oil spill was a critical blow to these struggling communities and to threatened coastal ecosystems. Prof. Farber urged that environmental law needs to take a more holistic view, integrating consideration of multiple environmental threats and linking communities with ecosystems.

Prof. Daniel Farber, JD, is the Sho Sato Professor of Law and Chair of the Energy and Resources Group at the University of California, Berkeley School of Law. He is also the Faculty Director of the Center for Law, Energy, and the Environment. Professor Farber serves on the editorial board of Foundation Press, and is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of the American Law Institute. He is the editor of Issues in Legal Scholarship. Prof. Farber was a member of the University of Minnesota Law School faculty from 1981 to 2002. He was the McKnight Presidential Professor of Public Law. He has published over a dozen books, including Judgment Calls: Politics and Principle in Constitutional Law (Oxford University Press 2008); Retained by the People: The ‘Silent’ Ninth Amendment and Rights They Don’t Know They Have (Basic Books 2007); and Lincoln’s Constitution (University of Chicago Press 2003).

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Prof. Daniel M. Bodansky, JD, (Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University), spoke on “The International Climate Change Negotiations: The Road from Copenhagen.” Prof. Hari Osofsky, JD (Law, University of Minnesota), Prof. Brad Karkkainen, JD (Law, University of Minnesota), and Prof. Katherine Klink, PhD (Geography, University of Minnesota) provided commentary.

In his lecture, Prof. Bodansky discussed the outcomes of the 2009 Copenhagen Climate Change Conference. He asked if it was a success or a failure and discussed the prospects of the UN climate change regime in the future. He asked if the December 2010 climate change conference would have more of an impact than the Copenhagen conference. He explored the chances for a new legal agreement on climate change, that could either supplement, or replace the Kyoto Protocol. Bodansky also discussed the past, present, and future of the international climate change negotiations.

Prof. Daniel Bodansky, JD, is the Lincoln Professor of Law, Ethics, and Sustainability at the Sandra Day O’Connor School of Law, Arizona State University. He is also an Affiliated Faculty member in both the College of Law’s Center for Law and Global Affairs, and the School of Sustainability at ASU. His scholarship includes two books, 24 scholarly articles and book chapters, five book reviews and more than 40 papers and presentations. He is the recipient of a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellowship, a Pew Faculty Fellowship in International Affairs, and a Jean Monnet Fellowship from the European University Institute in Florence. He currently serves on the Board of Editors of the American Journal of International Law and is the U.S.-nominated arbitrator under the Antarctic Environment Protocol. He is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the American Society of International Law.

The 2011-12 Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences will focus on “Food Safety: Coping with Domestic & International Challenges,” featuring Prof. Robert Brackett, PhD (Illinois Institute of Technology), on “Question and Uncertainties on the Full Implementation of FSMA,” Tuesday, February 28, 2012, and Prof. Jørgen Schlundt, PhD (Technical University of Denmark), on “Global Food Safety and Regulatory and Policy Challenges,” on Wednesday, April 25, 2012. All lectures begin at 11:30 a.m. and conclude at 1:00 p.m. These events are free and open to the public. The Lecture Series will apply for 1.5 credits of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits for each lecture.

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The Deinard Memorial Lecture Series on Law & Medicine

The Joint Degree Program and the Center for Bioethics launched the Deinard Memorial Lecture Series on Law & Medicine in the Spring of 2004. This annual lecture series is supported by generous donations from the family of Amos S. Deinard, Sr. (1898-1985) and the law firm of Leonard Street and Deinard in honor of Amos Deinard, Sr. and his brother, Benedict S. Deinard (1899-1969). The Deinard brothers were founding partners of the Minneapolis-based law firm of Leonard, Street and Deinard. Both attended the University of Minnesota Law School and Harvard Law School. Amos Deinard was a distinguished attorney widely known for his persistent work to eliminate discrimination in hiring. Appointed to the Minneapolis Fair Employment Practices Commission in 1945 by Mayor Hubert H. Humphrey, he served on the Commission for 17 years, 15 of them as chairman. Benedict Deinard was a successful trial lawyer, an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota, a Deputy Attorney General in the U.S. Department of Justice during World War II, and one of 4 civilians asked to participate in the Nuremberg war crimes trials.

Prof. R. Alta Charo, JD, U.S. Food and Drug Administration and University of Wisconsin, Madison, presented the 2010-11 Deinard Memorial Lecture on “New Technologies and Old Statutes: Challenges for 21st Century Food and Medical Product Regulation” on Wednesday, February 2, 2011. Commentary was provided by Prof. Shaun Kennedy, BSE-ChE, University of Minnesota, and Pamela S. Krop, JD, St. Jude Medical.

Prof. Charo discussed how emerging technologies, especially those that offer dramatically increased control over nature, have certain features in common. In her lecture, Prof. Charo spoke of how science often moves rapidly and unpredictably. Methodologies for risk identification and assessment may not yet be developed, applications across many different product areas are in development simultaneously, and legal authorities designed for an earlier age may be a poor fit when it comes to defining, reviewing, and monitoring the use of these technologies in products ranging from eye shadow to food wrapping to chemotherapy agents. Her presentation described challenges and approaches in the design of a regulatory response that is as nimble and nuanced as the science behind the products it oversees.

R. Alta Charo, JD, is the Warren P. Knowles Professor of Law & Bioethics, University of Wisconsin Law School and School of Medicine & Public Health. Her government positions have included work as a Senior Advisor in the Office of the Commissioner at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; Policy Analyst for the U.S. Agency for International Development; and Legal Analyst for the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment.

The Deinard Memorial Lecture provided 1.5 credits of continuing legal education (CLE) and 1.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s) (CME) for physicians and health care providers.

Further information and video of this and all the Deinard Memorial Lectures is available on our websites at www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/conferences/alta_charo_2011

On January 25, 2012 the 2011-12 Deinard Memorial Lecture in Law & Medicine will feature Ezekiel J. Emanuel, MD, PhD (University of Pennsylvania), speaking on “Health Care Reform.” For more information, visit www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/conferences/deinard_series
In 2010-11, the Consortium published articles and symposia resulting from work on our grants, including:

“NIRT: Evaluating Oversight Models for Active Nanostructures and Nanosystems: Learning from Past Technologies in a Societal Context” (NSF grant #SES-0608791)

A project symposium on “Special Focus: Governance of Nanobiotechnology” was published in the Journal of Nanoparticle Research (April 2011). Symposium guest editors are Leili Fatehi, JD; Susan M. Wolf, JD; Gurumurthy Ramachandran, PhD; and Jennifer Kuzma, PhD.

Introduction


“Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Biobanks and Archives” (NHGRI/NIH grant #2-R01-HG003178 and 1-R01-HG003178-01A1)

- A project symposium will be published in Genetics in Medicine (April 2012) from our grant on “Managing Incidental Findings and Research Results in Genomic Research Using Biobanks & Archives.”
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In these difficult economic times, we are more dependent than ever on gifts from our friends and alumni. Private contributions are critical to ensure that the Consortium stays at the leading edge of research and training, and to expand the Joint Degree Program’s ability to recruit the best and brightest students to Minnesota.

Currently, the Joint Degree Program offers 23 degree combinations. We boasted 34 gifted students for 2010-11. The Consortium has expanded to 19 member centers, including the Center for Bioethics, Stem Cell Institute, Biomedical Genomics Center, Institute on the Environment, and Center for Infectious Disease Research & Policy. We have received grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the National Science Foundation (NSF), The Greenwall Foundation, and the Law School’s Robina Research Fund for Law, Public Policy & Society. We publish ground-breaking research findings and recommendations, including in the Journal of Nanoparticle Research, Genetics in Medicine, Archives of Internal Medicine, Oxford Handbook of Neuroethics, Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics, and more. The Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology continues to rise in the rankings as we publish top scholars writing on law, science, and technology. We have awarded over $1 million in intramural grants to promote interdisciplinary research at the University of Minnesota.

We are grateful for the leadership and financial support provided by University of Minnesota’s former President Robert H. Bruininks and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost E. Thomas Sullivan, and we look forward to working with President Eric Kaler in the coming years.

As budgets tighten, the Consortium and Joint Degree Program’s continued success and future strength depend on increased private investment. Gifts allow us to continue our unique programming, our groundbreaking research, our scholarship in law and the life sciences, and our student training.

The University of Minnesota has become the leading institution pioneering interdisciplinary training and research on the societal implications of the life sciences. We invite you to participate in the community we have built on law, values, and science.

In 2010-11 we received the largest private gift in our program’s history from the Donald and Phyllis Kahn Foundation. Rep. Phyllis Kahn has been a member of the Joint Degree Program Advisory Board and a strong supporter of our unique law and science program since 2001. This gift establishes an endowed scholarship fund for JDP students called the Kahn Scholarship in Law & Science and it has been matched by the University’s Presidential Scholarship Match Program. The JDP is extremely grateful to the Kahn Foundation for this generous gift, and to Phyllis Kahn for her many years of dedicated service to the Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences.

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Looking Forward: 2011-12

In 2011-12 we will host a national conference in addition to the Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences and the Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine. These events bring top experts in law and the life sciences to the University of Minnesota campus. In addition to our events, we will continue to publish our original research, with forthcoming symposia in *Genetics in Medicine* and the *Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology (MJLST)*. MJLST will publish Volume 13, and we will again offer Consortium intramural grants.

**Upcoming Events: 2011-12**

**2011-12 Conferences & Lectures**

**Conference**

“*Nanodiagnostics and Nanotherapeutics: Building Research Ethics & Oversight*”

Date: Monday, September 26, 2011

Time: 8:30am-4:45pm

Location: Cowles Auditorium, Hubert H. Humphrey School of Public Affairs

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**Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine**

*Ezekiel J. Emanuel, MD, PhD* (University of Pennsylvania) on “*Health Care Reform*”

Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2012

Time: 11:30am-1:00pm

Location: Cowles Auditorium, Hubert H. Humphrey Center, University of Minnesota

For more information, visit [www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/conferences/ezekiel_emmanuel_2012](http://www.lifesci.consortium.umn.edu/conferences/ezekiel_emmanuel_2012)

**Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences**

The Consortium and Joint Degree Program will host 2 lectures in this series on “*Food Safety: Coping with Domestic & International Challenges*.”

The 2011-12 Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences will be coordinated by Prof. Shaun Kennedy, BSE-ChE, Director of the National Center for Food Protection and Defense, University of Minnesota.

*Prof. Robert Brackett, PhD* (Illinois Institute of Technology) on “*Question and Uncertainties on the Full Implementation of FSMA*”

Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Time: 11:30am -1:00pm

Location: Cowles Auditorium, Hubert H. Humphrey Center, University of Minnesota

*Jørgen Schlundt, PhD* (Technical University of Denmark) on “*Global Food Safety Regulatory and Policy Challenges*”

Date: Wednesday, April 25, 2012

Time: 11:30am -1:00pm

Location: St. Paul Student Center Theater, University of Minnesota

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