

Monday, November 6, 2017

1. Meet Dr. Hooman Rashidi. A pioneer in incorporating digital



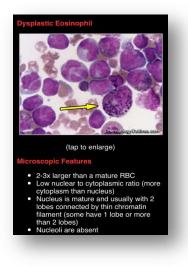
educational technologies and tools in medical education. Dr. Rashidi joined the UCDH faculty in 2014 and is a leader in online education and a pioneer in incorporating digital educational technologies and tools in medical education, specifically in hematology

and pathology. He is the founder and editor of <u>Hematology</u> Outlines, a leading

resource for hematology education that includes the popular, free, online Hematology Atlas and Glossary along with its top-rated companion iPhone and iPad Apps. These educational tools are integral to various courses in US medical schools and Clinical Laboratory

Scientist training programs. More than 200,000 students, residents, fellows and practitioners in the United States and abroad have used the online and App versions (including in UC Davis Medical Hematology and Hematopathology courses where Dr. Rashidi recently served as Co-IOR). Hematology Outlines has also been an American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) recommended suggested reading reference for Hematology certification for Specialists in Hematology and Technologists in Hematology since 2013.





Dr. Rashidi is not a newcomer to digital technology. Prior to medical school, his graduate studies focused on Bioinformatics (specifically studying protein structures and prediction structure algorithms). That experience familiarized him with computer programming and several software tools that enabled him to author several popular textbooks in Bioinformatics. However, upon graduating medical school his passion for teaching led to his developing and incorporating digital and technologic tools in the education arena.

<u>Hematology Outlines</u> online tools include a full digital Atlas and glossary, which resulted from Dr. Rashidi's collaborative efforts with faculty from institutions across US. The integration of these educational references and tools into various institutions, ultimately led to it being accepted by the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) as a recommended reading reference for certification of Specialists in Hematology and Technologists in Hematology. The online atlas and glossary both incorporate various novel digital tools that help the user in becoming more efficient learners. Some of these tools include the comparison tool, the embedded virtual microscope (zooming lens) in the atlas, the flash card builder, the interactive multiple-choice quiz builder in the atlas, the randomly generated matching quiz builder, and the novel digitally stitched virtual slide that highlights the atlas entities in one virtual slide.

- 2. Chancellor's Achievement Awards for Diversity and Community, 2018- The Chancellor's Achievement Awards for Diversity and Community was established to honor achievements that contribute in substantial ways to our campus and its surrounding communities:
 - Highlighting a commitment to community service
 - Advancement of the workplace, classroom, research or other areas that add to diversity and/or sets the tone for inclusion, excellence in mentoring relationships (including the impact it has on professional development and/or retention)



• Institutional service (exemplifying a set of standards for

service, including personal initiative and inspiring others to serve)

• Social justice (those who advocate tirelessly on behalf of those marginalized by society)

Please complete a nomination form and include supporting documentation by following this <u>link</u>. The nomination deadline is **Monday**, **November 27**, **2017 at 11:59PM**. Questions can be directed to Vickie Gomez at <u>occr@ucdavis.edu</u> or call 530-752-2071.

3. Work and the loneliness epidemic-Reducing isolation at work is good for business-Vice Admiral Vivek Murthy, former Surgeon General of the United States.

In a recent article published in the *Harvard Business Review*, Dr. Murthy explains that there is a growing health epidemic surrounding the lack of social connectivity in our current world. "We live in the most technologically connected age in the history of civilization, yet rates of loneliness have doubled since the 1980's." Research has shown that "having strong social connections at work makes employees more likely to be engaged with their jobs and produce higher-quality work, and less likely to fall sick or be injured." Dr. Murthy argues that knowing that these connections make for greater fulfillment and engagement in the workplace should be a call for companies to make this issue a "strategic priority." Here are some of the simple ways he suggests combating loneliness in the workplace:

- Evaluate the current state of connections in your workplace
- Build understanding of high-quality relationships
- Make strengthening social connections a strategic priority in your organization
- Encourage coworkers to reach out and help others and accept help when it is offered
- Create opportunities to learn about your colleagues' personal lives

Click here to read the full article

4. Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH) Call for Applications: Funding from the NIH-sponsored Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH) Program supports career development of junior Ph.D. and M.D. faculty researchers interested in Women's Health research. The program provides multidisciplinary training and mentoring to help such faculty establish independent biomedical research careers in areas relevant to women's

health and creates an environment that nurtures interdisciplinary collaborations in focused and interactive research areas that are essential to improving the health of women.

Candidates must submit a written application electronically in a single PDF file to Program Manager Connie Koog by <u>email</u> by **December 18**, **2017 at 10:00am**.

5. Staff & Faculty Womxn of Color Group- This group meets bi- weekly on Wednesday, October 25, from noon to 1pm at the Women's Resources & Research Center (Righteous Babes') First Floor, North Hall. Join to get support and connect with other faculty and staff.



6. Tips for Mentees: Ask for your mentor's help prioritizing tasks.

Mentoring Academy Mentor and Mentee workshop information can be found on the Mentoring Academy <u>website</u>.

7. 2017 Deans' Awards for Excellence: Nominations are now being sought for the 2017 Deans' Awards for Excellence, which recognize and reward outstanding performance for the School of Medicine and Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing faculty and to acknowledge their contributions as transformative leaders in our collegial community. Nominations are due by *Friday December 1, 2017*, with all awardees being honored at a recognition reception to be held the evening of March 5, 2018. For full instructions and links to nominations please click on this <u>attachment</u>. For all questions, contact Faculty Development and Diversity at <u>HS-UCDHS Faculty Development</u> or 916-703-9230.

Have questions and need answers? Visit our new <u>Academic Personnel</u> <u>Website</u> or email us directly at <u>HS-SOMAPTeam</u>