



**UCLA HEALTH SCIENCES MEDIA REPORT
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In Vitro Fertilization and Birth Defects Link Garners Wide Coverage

Research led by Dr. Lorraine Kelley-Quon, a general surgery resident at Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center, that found that IVF infants' odds of having birth defects were 1.25 times greater than those of naturally conceived babies was highlighted by more than 50 news outlets including [Reuters Health](#) and [Santa Clarita Valley News](#) Oct. 23; [Time](#), [CBS News.com](#), [Everyday Health](#), [Malaysia's Star](#), the [Indo-Asian News Service](#), the [Times of India](#), [Medical News Today](#), [Fox News.com](#) and an [Examiner](#) blog Oct. 22; [Asian News International](#) and [United Press International](#) Oct. 21; [HealthDay News](#), the [Huffington Post](#), [Cleveland Leader](#), [WebMD](#), [MedPage Today](#) and [Science Daily](#) Oct. 20; and the [Daily Mail](#) (U.K) Oct. 19. Kelley-Quon was quoted in the coverage.

Doctor Discusses Poor Sleep and Kids

Dr. Nina Shapiro appeared Oct. 23 on CBS [The Doctors](#) to discuss how sleeping issues in children can cause behavioral problems and may even require the need for special education.

Media Reports that Sexual Addiction May be Valid Mental Disorder

Rory Reid, an assistant professor of psychiatry at the Semel Institute, continued to receive media attention regarding his research verifying the criteria suggested by the American Psychiatric Association for determining if hypersexual disorder, or sexual addiction, can be considered a mental illness. Coverage included an Oct. 19 news segment on [KTTV-Ch. 11](#), and articles in the [Toronto Sun](#), [ScienceCodex.com](#), Canada's [QMI](#) news agency; an Oct. 22 article in [Popular Science](#), a [KPCC 89.3FM](#) blog, and an article in the [French Tribune](#); and an Oct. 23 [LA Weekly](#) posting.

LA Times Profiles Kidney Transplant Chain Patient

The [Los Angeles Times](#) Oct. 18 ran a story about a 29-year-old with renal dysplasia who received a kidney transplant—his fourth—at Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center as part of a transplant chain.

AIDSMAP Tracks HIV/AIDS Disparities

[AIDSmap](#) Oct. 19 highlighted an Archives of Internal Medicine editorial by Dr. William Cunningham, professor of general internal medicine and health services research and of public health, about racial disparities in mortality rates for AIDS. The editorial accompanied a study finding that while overall death rates from AIDS have fallen dramatically, rates for less educated blacks remained the highest.

Infectious Disease Expert Mulls Infected Knees, Global Health

The [Los Angeles Daily News](#) Oct. 20 carried a column by Dr. Claire Panosian Dunavan, clinical professor of medicine in the division of infectious disease, about a patient who developed infections in his artificial knee. A follow-up column published Oct. 24 in the [Pasadena Star-News](#) highlighted the thoughts of Drs. Jeffrey Eckardt, chair of orthopaedic surgery, and Dr. Benjamin Bengs, assistant professor of orthopaedic surgery, on treating infected joints. She also penned an Oct. 23 [Global Post.com](#) story about the efforts of Dr. Vanessa Kerry, Massachusetts Senator John Kerry's daughter, to boost the education of doctors and nurses in sub-Saharan Africa.

Online Media Highlight California Health Institute Podcast on Cancer Policy

[SFGate.com](#), [Equities.com](#) Oct. 18 posted an article on the CHI podcast on California Cancer Policy featuring Dr. Judith Gasson, director of the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center and professor of medicine and biological chemistry, discussing the Avon patient navigation program at UCLA Olive View Medical Center.

UCLA Telemedicine Goes International

An article on international telemedicine in the Oct. 20 [Modern Healthcare](#) spotlighted an international telepathology partnership between the UCLA Health System and China's Zhejiang University for reading biopsies.

Toronto Star Studies How Fructose Disrupts Memory, Learning

The [Toronto Star](#) reported Oct. 22 on UCLA research showing how a high-fructose diet can slow the brain and hamper memory and learning in rats. Fernando Gomez-Pinilla, professor of neurosurgery at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and professor of integrative biology and physiology in the UCLA College of Letters and Science, was quoted; Rahul Agrawal, a senior researcher in integrative biology and physiology at UCLA, was cited.

Looking at Health Care Innovations

Dr. Molly Coye, chief innovation officer for the UCLA Health System, was interviewed Oct. 24 on the [M Health Zone](#) website about innovations in health care, including health-related apps for wireless devices, and health care reform's impact on patients.

Web Sites Evaluate New 3-D Imaging of Breast Tumors

[HealthDay News](#) and [Medical Xpress](#) reported Oct. 22 on the development of a new technique for three-dimensional, high-resolution imaging of breast tumors that uses computer algorithms and image-reconstruction technology developed by Jianwei (John) Miao, professor of physics and astronomy and a researcher with the California NanoSystems Institute at UCLA, and UCLA colleagues. Miao was quoted.

Gizmodo Highlights Dentistry through Saliva Diagnostics

[Gizmodo](#) Oct. 22 highlighted a journal article by Dr. David Wong, associate dean for research and the Felix and Mildred Yip Endowed Professor in Dentistry at the UCLA School of Dentistry, highlighting the burgeoning field of saliva diagnostics, which uses biomarkers in saliva to potentially detect diseases like cancer, diabetes, autoimmune disorders and other maladies.

Stroke Center Award Gets Noticed

[Examiner.com](#) and [News-Medical.net](#) Oct. 24 spotlighted an award for excellence won by the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center's Stroke Center.

UPI Drinks Tea to Battle Prostate Cancer

[United Press International](#) reported Oct. 23, [HealthDay News](#) reported Oct. 18 and [Emax Health](#) reported Oct. 24 on research by Susanne Henning, adjunct professor of clinical nutrition, and colleagues showing that men with prostate cancer who drank green tea regularly reduced their levels of disease-related inflammation, which could help inhibit tumor growth. Henning was quoted.

Health Site Notes Botox for Pain Relief

[CounselHeal](#) reported Oct. 22 on research by Dr. Andrea Nicol, assistant professor of anesthesiology and director of pain-management research, showing that Botox can provide immediate alleviation of myofascial pain syndrome. Nicol was quoted.

UCLA Professor Writes Guest Blog for CIRM

Dr. Michael Teitell, professor of pathology and laboratory medicine and researcher at the Eli and Edythe Broad Center of Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research, wrote a guest blog Oct. 25 for the [California Institute for Regenerative Medicine](#) (CIRM), the state-funded stem cell research agency, regarding his visit to a high school as part of Stem Cell Awareness Day.

Palisadian Post Highlights New Santa Monica Breast Center

The Oct. 18 Palisadian Post ran a feature story and photo about the new UCLA Breast Center in Santa Monica. Dr. Anne Hoyt, medical director of breast imaging for UCLA Health System and clinical professor of radiology, and Dr. Nicole Dawson, staff pathologist at UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica and associate professor, were quoted.

Babytalk Magazine Spotlights Pediatrician

Dr. Tumaini Rucker Coker, assistant professor of pediatrics at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA, was named as one of "Seven Inspiring Pediatricians" in the

Oct. issue of [Babytalk](#) magazine. Coker was selected for her work in bringing pediatric care to underserved children.

Texas Paper Looks at Operation Mend

The [Reporter News](#) (Abilene, Texas) reported Oct. 23 on UCLA's Operation Mend program which helps repair the wounds of war for military personnel injured in Iraq and Afghanistan. The article featured the story of a Marine staff sergeant whose nose was reconstructed through the program. The patient's surgeon, Dr. Timothy Miller, professor of plastic surgery, was interviewed.

Pediatric Infectious Diseases Expert Talks Whooping Cough

[Health AIM](#) reported Oct. 23 on whooping cough and featured expert commentary by Dr. James Cherry, professor of pediatric infectious diseases at Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA.

Beverly Hills Courier Reunites NICU Grads and their Nurses

The [Beverly Hills Courier](#) Oct. 19 featured a story on the recent reunion of nurses from the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) at Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA and UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica with their formerly medically-fragile patients who are now thriving. Shohreh Samimi, NICU unit director at Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA, was quoted.

Mattel Party on the Pier Generates Buzz

Entertainment websites [Fanlala](#), [JustJaredJr.](#), [BlackCelebKids](#) and [Shine On Media](#) Oct. 23 featured recaps of young celebrities who attended the 13th Mattel Party on the Pier event which raised money for Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA.

Newsday Notes Drawbacks of All-Nighters and Cramming

The research of Andrew J. Fuligni, professor of psychiatry at the Semel Institute, showing that cramming for tests and not sleeping enough had a negative effect on high school students' academic performance, was featured in an Oct. 15 [New York Newsday](#) article.

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The [Venice-MarVista Patch](#) Oct. 17 listed the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center Breast Cancer Support Groups in an article on breast cancer survivors.

The Oct. 18 health calendar in the [Daily News](#) highlighted the UCLA Longevity Center's upcoming Healthy Aging Conference scheduled for Oct. 27 that will feature a number of topics such as Alzheimer's research, training the brain, fitness, goal setting, nutrition and sex after 70.

QUOTABLES

Dr. David Baron, executive director of the UCLA Arthur Ashe Student Health Center and family medicine physician at UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica, commented in an Oct. 17 KNX 1070AM report on a recent study suggesting a daily multivitamin may reduce overall cancer risk.

Dr. Gregg Fonarow, Elliot Corday Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine and Science and director of the Ahmanson-UCLA Cardiomyopathy Center, commented Oct. 24 in [Family Practice News](#) about the underuse of a heart failure medication.

Dr. Peter Galier, internal medicine specialist and associate professor of medicine, was quoted and pictured in an Oct. 18 story in the [Take Part](#) website about the value of annual physicals.

Dr. Judith Gasson, Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center director and professor of medicine and biological chemistry, was quoted Oct. 23 in a [Los Angeles Times](#) article about cancer treatment advances beyond chemotherapy.

Dr. Neal Halfon, professor of pediatrics, health services and public policy and director of the UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities, was quoted Oct. 18 in an article in the [Hartford Courant](#) about correlations between infant mortality and race. He was also quoted in the Oct. 20 edition of the [American Academy of Pediatrics Today](#) newsletter in an article recapping a presentation he gave on the topic of creating bold changes in the field of child health.

Dr. David Heber, professor of medicine and director of the UCLA Center for Human Nutrition, was quoted Oct. 23 in an [MSNBC.com](#) article about the potentially adverse health effects of caffeinated energy drinks.

Dr. Reza Jarrahy, assistant professor of plastic and reconstructive surgery, was quoted Oct. 22 in a [Take Part](#) article about a gunshot victim who received a face transplant.

Dr. Jeffrey D. Klausner, professor of infectious diseases and global health, was quoted Oct. 22 in a [Los Angeles Times](#) article about a ballot measure that would require pornographic actors to use condoms on film sets.

Dr. Antoni Ribas, professor of hematology/oncology at the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, was quoted in the online magazine [What Doctors Know](#) regarding his recent paper on melanoma treatment in the New England Journal of Medicine.

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