



CELEBRATING OUR
RETIREEES
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Dear Colleagues

Thank you for your years of service to the Faculty. I have become deeply aware how much we have come to depend on you.

You have contributed to the life of our Faculty and so your name is now written into the story of our lives. As you step out into a new life and chapter, we wish you a time of peace and joy. Remember you are always valued here.

With gratitude

Associate Professor Lionel Green-Thompson

Dean: Faculty of Health Sciences



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Assoc Professor John Anthony



John Anthony graduated from the University of Cape Town in 1979 and specialised in obstetrics and gynaecology in 1985.

He was subsequently appointed as a consultant in the department and went on to become head of obstetric services at Groote Schuur Hospital in 1999. He was a founding member of the South African Maternal and Fetal Medicine subspecialty and is a registered subspecialist in that field. His academic interests extend to philosophy and bioethics which led to an MPhil degree by dissertation, awarded cum laude by the University of Stellenbosch in 2009. He has published extensively in the national and international literature and provided leadership of the Maternity and subspecialist services in Maternal and Fetal Medicine over the last 22 years. He is credited with beginning the first obstetric intensive care unit in South Africa and was always dedicated to providing patient-centred care. He was promoted to associate Professor in 1998 and retired from clinical practice this year.



Mrs Jean Hazel April

Jean's journey at UCT started at the age of 25, in 1981 at Fuller Residence, Upper Campus where she worked as a Char.

It was hard, physical work. There were no lifts, and she remembers walking up and down many flights of stairs with huge bundles of washing. During the time Jean worked in Fuller Residence, student protests took place and she became acquainted with Nelson Mandela's daughter Zinzi Mandela, who was living in residence. Then Jean faced retrenchment, however the Warden and Matron offered her a permanent post. A post became available at the Medical School in 1986. She successfully applied for a departmental assistance post at Clinical Science and Immunology under Prof Eugene Dowdell. In 1991 the Department of Haematology was looking for a laboratory assistant and Jean moved to work under Prof Peter Jacobs. Jean went from strength to strength and received her first Merit Award in 1994. When Prof Jacobs retired, he opened his private practice at Wynberg Hospital and offered Jean a job there, which she declined, since her dream was that her children could attend UCT and utilize the rebate. This dream later became a reality when both her children graduated from UCT and UWC. In 1996 Prof Nicolas Novitzky took over as Head of Haematology. He relied heavily on Jean's knowledge and skills, particularly stem cell processing for transplantation in the clinic. Prof Novitzky trusted Jean with removing the correct stem cells from the cryo-tank and transporting them to GSH for patient infusion. After Prof Novitzky retired end 2017, A/Prof Jessica Opie became Head and continued to nurture and develop Jean. Jean was thrilled to receive a well-deserved Exceeds Award in 2020. Jean has worked at UCT for the past 40 years during which time she has acquired invaluable life experience, skills, and knowledge. She is very grateful that her job allowed her children to be educated at university. She leaves behind a large circle of friends, colleagues and students who will never forget her kindness, efficiency and dedication.



Adj Assoc Prof Robert John Baigrie

After UK post-graduate training, appointed Clinical Lecturer and Surgical Tutor, University of Oxford in 1989, obtaining his doctorate. Specialised in Gastro-intestinal and Laparoscopic surgery in the UK and Australia, returned to Cape Town in 1996, and has completed 25 years at GSH and UCT. In 2011 awarded an Adjunct Professorship.

Highlights

2000: Founder Member of the International Colorectal Forum

2002: The first South African private surgeon appointed to Editorial Board of BJS,

2003: “Best clinical presentation” Award at SAGES for his randomized trial of anti-reflux surgery, which remains the largest surgical RCT performed in SA.

2010: President of the South African Society of Endoscopic Surgeons (SASES),

2012: Chair of the Federation of South African Surgeons (FoSAS),

2013: President of The Association of Surgeons of South Africa (ASSA)

2015: First South African appointed to the Editorial Board of Colorectal Disease

2017: First South African invited onto the Management Council of BJS.

2021: Selection for the SA Hockey Grand-Masters team Tokyo World Cup, 2022.

Qualified IAATO Antarctica guide and doctor, and has made two tall ship voyages to the Southern Continent.

Mrs Shereen Bejai



Initially I worked as a nuclear medicine radiographer, lectured part-time at the Durban University of Technology (DUT) and performed clinical tutoring at the public hospitals. I then ventured into the private sector as a marketing/human resource manager, also doing some clinical work and acting as the student liaison officer for DUT. Thereafter, I travelled abroad and worked as the Superintendent Radiographer in PET-CT imaging in London. I set up & managed the Western Cape Academic PET-CT Centre before entering the corporate world where I worked as the Clinical Education Specialist for GE Healthcare. I represented South Africa at the 1st Interregional Training Course for Nuclear Medicine Technologists at the University of Sydney and was awarded an IAEA Fellowship for a 4 week visit to The University College London and the Service Hospitalier Frederic Joliot in Paris. It was a privilege to complete my career at CUBIC PET-CT.



Mrs Judith Ann Boyes

Judy joined UCT in January 1990 in Orthopaedic Surgery as a Senior Secretary, before moving to the role of Admin Assistant in the School of Education. Judy then took up a role of Admin Officer in the College of Accounting in the Commerce Faculty before being seconded to start a centralised purchasing hub in that Faculty, serving as Purchasing Co-Ordinator for 2 years before moving on to the role of Finance Officer in that Faculty. Judy joined the School of Public Health and Family Medicine in Feb 2008 as a Finance Officer, working primarily with the CIDER and HEU units. Following the reconfiguration of Faculty Finance in 2015, she joined the Faculty Campus Hub, working with PI's from the IDM. Judy is known as someone that put a lot of care and effort into her work, often going above and beyond for those around her. She's been a good friend to many in the office, showing great interest in the lives of her colleagues. She can now look forward to retirement along with her husband, Colin.



Mrs Olivia Hartshorn Briton

With 25 years of experience in Clinical Research, Olivia has worked on various Breast Cancer Chemotherapy trials at St Bartholomew's Hospital in London, UK as a Breast Cancer Research Nurse. Thereafter she moved into the role of Project Coordinator doing Cervical Cancer research and working in a poor community of Khayelitsha in Cape Town for the University of Cape Town, overseeing many aspects of Clinical trials including research site development. Since early 2014, Olivia has worked as the Project Coordinator/Monitor for UCT's HICRA (Hatter Institute for Cardiovascular Research in Africa) coordinating various trial throughout Africa including travel to various African countries. Her role of Project Coordinator/Monitor in Africa & globally has meant sharing capacity through knowledge & guidance, resulting in improved collaborations. In addition to her African research coordination, she monitored the European Cardiology Society's 'Peripartum Cardiomyopathy registry' data. Olivia and her husband have decided to take on a bit of adventure and travel around South Africa camping for a few months before travelling abroad.

Ms Delena Fredericks



I started at UCT in March 2012 on a part-time basis at CIDER (Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology & Research) for 6 months as an Admin Assistant. In January 2013 I was offered a position in Public Health and Family Medicine where I worked on the EU Project for 3 years until 30th June 2015 working with Prof Hellenberg and Prof London. 1 November 2015 I started at the IDM (Institute of Infectious Disease & Molecular Medicine) until my retirement 15 December 2021. Working from home these past 2 years has not been easy, I really missed the interaction with my colleagues but I have thoroughly enjoyed working at the IDM and I've learnt so much. It has been the most interesting 10 years of employment, thank you UCT.



Professor Clive Maurice Gray

Clive Gray was born in London and moved to South Africa in 1984. As a young 22-year-old graduate with a BSc Hons from the University of Western England, he started as a Junior Research Officer at Wits University in organ transplantation research.

After completing an MSc and PhD in at Wits, he was awarded the James Gear Fellowship, enabling him to take up a post-doc at the Centre for AIDS Research at Stanford University in 1996. He was then able to join his South African wife, Heather Brookes, who was then a PhD student. During this time, their eldest daughter, Harriet, was born. In 1998 he took up a position at the National Institute for Communicable Diseases and worked closely with HIV researchers nationally and globally. In 2003, his second daughter, Rachel, was born. In 2011 he took up the position of Chair and Head, Division of Immunology at UCT. Over the next 10 years, he grew the Division and diversified its research portfolio. After taking early retirement, he now focuses on reproductive immunology and is based at Stellenbosch University.

Associate Professor Michael Keith Hendricks



Michael Hendricks is a general paediatrician and an associate professor within the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, University of Cape Town. He worked at the Child Health Unit between 1996 and 2011. During that time, his work entailed clinical service at New Somerset and Red Cross War Memorial Children's hospitals; community outreach; training in primary healthcare; training of undergraduate and postgraduate students; convenorship of the MPhil (MCH) programme and research in public health nutrition. Since 2012, as the district paediatrician in Metro West, his work entailed clinical governance, support for programme implementation, clinical service commitments at New Somerset Hospital and community outreach. During the last ten years, he has continued to teach undergraduate and postgraduate students, co-convened the Postgraduate Diploma in Community and General Paediatrics, contributed to developing the subspecialty in Community Paediatrics and undertaken research in child public health.



Ms Davina Gay Josias

Davina first joined the IDM in July 2008 on a contract basis, before becoming a permanent Finance Officer in Jan 2009.

She continued in this role through the Faculty Finance reconfiguration in late 2015, when she became a member of the Campus Hub team. Over the years Davina worked with a variety of PI's in the IDM, including the Desmond Tutu HIV Centre and SATVI. In more recent years Davina worked with PI's from the School of Public Health and Family Medicine. Davina always took great ownership of the work she did, often going the extra mile for PI's, funders, and colleagues. She is a very family-oriented person, and that extended to her work family, where she has been a great friend to many a team member, always showing a genuine interest in the lives and well-being of her colleagues. Davina is a known cat lover, who simply adores her furbabies! She was always an outgoing presence in the office, eager and keen to join in on activities and challenges.

Associate Professor Sean Zalman Kaliski

I was appointed as a consultant psychiatrist in the Forensic Psychiatry unit at Valkenburg hospital in August 1990.

I was de facto head of the unit from 1996, and officially appointed as principal psychiatrist in 2004. As the demands on the forensic mental health service increased precipitously over the years wards were opened at Lentegur and Alexandra hospitals. I graduated with MMed (1993) and PhD (2002), and was promoted ad hominem assoc prof in 2003. Six years ago forensic psychiatry was recognised as a subspecialty by the HPC, and accordingly I was involved in the training of forensic psychiatrists, and now leave with 3 such colleagues in the service. My academic interests generally have been in ethics, impulse control and policy.”





Professor Arie Anthony Katz

Arie Katz received his Ph.D. at the Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel in 1991. Thereafter, he embarked on a post-doctorate at California Institute of Technology, U.S.A. and studied G-proteins. In 1995, Arie joined the Department of Chemical Pathology at UCT and worked with Professor Millar. There, he studied the GnRH receptor which is a GPCR. In 1997, Arie Katz was awarded a Wellcome Trust Senior Research Fellowship in Medical Science which enabled him to set up his own research group and in 1998, he joined the Department of Medical Biochemistry. His research focused on receptors that are involved in diseases prevalent in South Africa. In particular, PGE2 receptors and their role in cervical cancer, including studying the effect of seminal fluid on cervical cancer development and KSHV vGPCR and the KSHV host receptor EpHA2 and their roles in KS prevalence and severity. As an educator, Arie initiated the integrated Hons programmes in the Faculty and later, together with the late Prof. Bongani Mayosi initiated the intercalated tracks for medical students which trains medical students to become clinician-scientists.

Professor Michael Ian Lambert



Mike Lambert was born and raised in Pietermaritzburg. He studied at Natal University and Rhodes University before studying at the University of South Carolina (USA). He returned to South Africa in 1985 and studied for his PhD at UCT supervised by Professor Tim Noakes. He graduated in 1991 and got a senior lecturer position in 1995. He was promoted to associate professor in 1998 and full professor in 2009. During his tenure at UCT he supervised/co-supervised 30 PhD students. A highlight of his research was the work in collaboration with the High Performance Centre, Sports Science Institute of SA. He also had a productive research relationship with BokSmart and SA Rugby which will continue after he retires. He published 262 papers and received a NRF B1 rating. He became a Fellow of UCT in 2017. After retirement he is looking forward to continuing as editor of the South African Journal of Sports Medicine. He has applied for a Senior Research Scholar position so he can continue working with the students he is currently supervising.



Professor Gary Maartens

Gary Maartens is head of the Division of Clinical Pharmacology, University of Cape Town, and a chief specialist physician at Groote Schuur hospital, where he does clinical service in internal medicine and infectious diseases. His main research interests are in therapeutic aspects of HIV-associated tuberculosis, drug-resistant tuberculosis, and antiretroviral therapy in resource-limited settings. In 2015 he was awarded a gold medal for outstanding contributions to medical research by the Medical Research Council of South Africa. He is A rated by the National Research Foundation. He was the founding president for the South African College of Clinical Pharmacologists. He has been involved in developing national drug policy guidelines for medicine and primary care; and in international guideline development for the management of HIV and tuberculosis for the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He is married with two children.



Mrs Buyelwa C Majikela-Dlangamandla

Buyelwa is the mother of three and grandmother of two. At the completion of her BA Cur Degree, she worked in various clinical areas at Groote Schuur Hospital as a professional nurse. In 1990 she joined the Division of Endocrinology and Diabetes at University of Cape Town (UCT). In 2014 she obtained her Master's Degree (MSc) Nursing at (UCT) and worked as a clinical educator until her retirement. In 2013 she was a convenor and lecturer of the Post Graduate Diploma in Diabetes Nursing at UCT School of Nursing. She also developed a short course in diabetes for health care professionals and trained many health care professionals nationally. She worked as a research nurse for the Chronic Disease Initiative in Africa for many years. She was a member of Diabetes Education Consultative Section (DECS) for International Diabetes Federation (IDF) where they reviewed diabetes education modules and contributed towards the development of the IDF online diabetes short courses. She is the author of 'The Diabetes Toolkit' booklet used extensively by the department of health as a training manual.



Dr Edward Bernard Lee Pan

Eddy Lee Pan was a senior lecturer from 1991 in Neurology for almost 30 years. The post was combined with a senior specialist post at Groote Schuur hospital as a neurologist. There were varied interests from contract research to clinical neurology and neurophysiology laboratory work, but the passion was divided between ICT and teaching. I was UCT ICT Liaison officer for neurology and Medicine, an advisor to Groote Schuur hospital's Information systems, including running the Y2K and the ICD10 coding projects, choosing the Clinicom Hospital Information System and on the task team of the National Tertiary Services Grant. At UCT, I ran the Health Faculty ICT Portfolio for 5 years and implemented many changes including getting us on the fibre-optic back-bone of UCT. I also represented faculty on some central UCT committees such as: AIMS, ISIS and ICTUG, and finally the UICTC (University Information & Communication Technology Committee) and PIC (Project Implementation Committee)- network upgrade. Teaching was post- and under-graduate, although the latter was more intensive and innovative, eventually combining ICT with teaching.



Dr Dawn Patricia Rossiter

I have been the Editor of the South African Medicines Formulary, published by the Division of Pharmacology since May 2008.

This has been an extremely rewarding phase in my career and was served under the mentorship of Professors Gary Maartens and Marc Blockman. I will be starting a year-long post-retirement contract in 2022 to complete a digital conversion and handover of the project. I will also continue to serve as a member of the Pharmaceutical & Analytical Technical Advisory Committee of the South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA). I look forward to this next phase of my life and hope to spend some time traveling with my husband, Richard. We love visiting remote places locally and also intend to visit my daughter, Carmen, and grandchildren in New Zealand and my daughter, Dani, in the UK.



Mr Mogamat Noor Salie

I started at UCT in February 1989 and have experienced a lot of changes over the years. If I look back today, then my most memorable ones would be at Pharmacology. I was exposed to Pharmacology due to my wife who joined roundabout 1996. On my visits, I was quite taken aback by the vibe within the dept. Everyone seemed so nice and I did not once felt out of place on my visits. From the students right up to the staff members and even started to know everyone by name. I can assure you that they were not just nice to me because of Sumaya, this I came to find out afterwards. It appeared that titles were not an issue as everyone was addressed by their first names. Up till today I don't know why everyone from staff members up to students, addresses me as Mr Salie. The vibe that I experienced was one of almost like a family, your degree or position was not an issue and everyone treated each other with respect. I was quite amazed by all of this as my experience was completely different. I became a part of Pharmacology long before I started working there. Finally when the opportunity came in roundabout 2000 I did not hesitate to apply. But before I did I asked (Prof) Pete if it was ok. I could see he was not very keen of the idea. His actual words were that he didn't think that this was a job for me. I only found out afterwards that he had a bad experience of husband and wife working together. So the rest is history as you well know. I have seen Pharmacology progress over the years and very honored to have been a part of it. My time here was truly the best and I am very appreciative of the opportunities that was given to me. I grabbed it with both hands and succeeded beyond my wildest dreams. In doing so I created a better life for myself and my family. All this is sadly coming to an end but I am truly thankful for all the people that had crossed my path along the way. We have shared so many joyous moments and also some sad ones. I had the honor of witnessing students graduating and also attending the passing of a few staff members. Students that graduated and went back home or started their career overseas, I still manage to keep in contact with via social media. I am really going to miss my 2nd family who truly was my home away from home. I will surely come to visit when the opportunity arises to do so. Even if it is just to touch base and see how everyone is doing. "Thank you" Pharmacology for the beautiful memories and it was a joy coming to work every day. I Hope you all the success and progress into the future. God Bless you and the rest of the University community.



Mr John Charles Samuels

John Charles Samuels started working at UCT in the 1983 as a cleaner in the arts block. From there he was transferred to the Robert Leslie building and was later transferred to the Leslie commerce building where he continued working as a cleaner. A big thank you to the (late) Mr Appolis for affording me the opportunity to start my working career at UCT. A few years later I met a man by the name of Kevin Willis, who then encouraged me to apply for a post in the department he worked in as a laboratory assistant. This post was in the chemistry department. The chemistry department was located in the Pd Hahn building. Here we worked with all the first-year science and medical students. Here also had the privilege of completing my Std. 8 (now Gr. 10) and my Matric (now Gr. 12). A big thank you to Dr Ute Seeman for granting me the privilege to work in the chemistry department. My final move was to the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and here I spent my last couple of years as a UCT employee before I decided on early retirement. I worked as a senior departmental assistant. I also had the privilege of completing a diploma in theology whilst working in the department. I am appreciative of all the support given to me by all the staff members of the department of obstetrics and gynaecology. A big thank you to Prof Zephne van der Spuy for having full confidence in me to work as a senior departmental assistant.



Dr Wendy Vogel

Dr Wendy Vogel recently retired as Head of Clinical Unit of the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (DCAP), Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital and senior lecturer in the Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health. She held both positions from 2011 till February 2021. Wendy holds an MBChB (Wits), MMed (Psychiatry) (Wits), MSc (Neurodevelopmental Paediatrics) (Wits) and FC Psych (SA). She registered as a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist in 1997. Important milestones before being appointed Head of DCAP include being Senior Specialist and Head of Alexandra/Tara Hospital Child & Adolescent Psychiatry clinic (1996–2002), Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist in NHS Grampian, Scotland (2002 - 2003) and the NHS West London Mental Health Trust (WLMHT) (2003 - 2010), and Borough Lead, NHS, WLMHT (2008 - 2010). Wendy used her work experience in Gauteng and the UK to shape her vision for DCAP, moving it towards a clinical service, teaching and training unit that is determined to serve the South African population while still ensuring it meets internationally recognised standards. Wendy's clinical research and teaching interests include neurodevelopmental disorders and common psychiatric disorders in children and adolescents. She also served in various administrative roles within the department and faculty. In particular, she enjoyed collaborating with colleagues running Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services across sub-Saharan Africa, teaching at CCAMH, University of Ibadan, Nigeria; on the Scotland-Malawi Mental Health Education project (S-MMHEP) Dept of Psychiatry, Blantyre University, Malawi and on the IMHERZ project at the University of Zimbabwe, in addition to her tenure overseeing international registrars within the department of Psychiatry and Mental Health. Wendy received an award in service excellence from the Gauteng Department of Health (2000), amongst other awards. This confirms the important role she has played in shaping child and adolescent mental health in SA.

Mrs Kathryn Anne Wood



Following training and qualifying as a Medical Laboratory Technologist at Groote Schuur Hospital, I worked at GSH in the Haematology diagnostic laboratory before moving to the Haematology research laboratory at Red Cross Childrens' Hospital.

Following 3 years back in private routine laboratories, I once again returned to research at Red Cross Childrens' Hospital. In 2007, I was offered a laboratory supervisor post in The Wilkinson research group based in the Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine. With the award of Wellcome funding in 2008 to establish the Clinical Infectious Diseases Research Initiative, I moved out of the laboratory into research management for the Wilkinson group. This post then developed into the CIDRI-Africa Operations Manager where I support the research activities of the Wellcome Centre in the IDM. I have been fortunate to have met many experts in the field of Infectious Diseases and have worked closely with UCT Human Resources and Finance to manage the activities of both the Wilkinson and Meintjes research groups.

Dr Jane Katherine Yeats



My name is Jane Yeats and I joined UCT in 2009 as director/curator of the new Pathology Learning Centre (PLC). However my association with UCT is much longer as I completed my MBChB at UCT in 1987, followed by a BSc(Med)Hons in biochemistry in 1990. A few years later I completed my training as a clinical virologist in the then Department of Medical Virology and worked as a specialist in the same department (and consultant for Groote Schuur Hospital) from 1997 - 2005. I have always loved science and it has been a privilege to spend most of my working life in an academic environment, immersed in science and surrounded by gifted colleagues. My main endeavor of the last 12 years was to digitise all of UCT's pathology collections within the PLC, but the project also allowed me to venture into medical history and the humanities. It was a tremendously rewarding time.