Mosqueda: New chair brings wealth of expertise in elder care

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on geriatric and family medicine, elder abuse, and care of the elderly and underserved. She succeeds Jerry D. Rodriguez, who joined an elite group of faculty urologists at the USC Institute of Urology. Rodríguez is a noted expert in female pelvic medicine, and a recognized leader in the field of urogynecology.

Rodríguez came from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), where she was co-director of female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery and professor of urology. Her goal is to help establish USC as a beacon of exceptional talent exist to bring urologic care to the forefront in Los Angeles and beyond.

Rodríguez joins USC to advance female pelvic medicine

Laura A. Mosqueda, MD, has been named chair of the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. Dr. Mosqueda, an expert in clinical research, was named chair and professor of family medicine and geriatrics, and holder of the Ronald and Indianna A. Mosqueda Endowed Chair in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.

“Alia Tutor Endowed Chair established at Keck School of Medicine of USC

Alia Tutor, wife of USC trustee Ronald Tutor, has long supported the university, providing a gift to establish the Alia Tutor Chair in Reproductive Medicine at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. The gift will be used to recruit and support top-tier researchers in the areas of reproductive medicine and gynecology. The new chair will be housed in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

“Tutor is a widely respected authority on geriatric and family medicine, elder abuse and care of the elderly. Her time and leadership on the board of directors of Indego Africa, an organization that provides female pelvic care, and other organizations in the field of reproductive medicine and gynecology. The gift will benefit not only the university and its researchers, but also patients who wish to support programs that address elder abuse, neglect and exploitation. Those interested in learning more about the new chair and its work with patients can contact the Keck School of Medicine of USC’s Office of Alumni Relations and Development at 213-740-1234.”
The Keck Medicine Initiative, part of the Campaign for the University of Southern California, has surpassed $645 million in gifts and pledges and is making significant progress toward its ambitious $1.5 billion fundraising goal.

Since the last Dean’s Report, our campaign progress has increased by more than $114 million. Gifts in support of our star medical faculty research are having an immediate impact on the spectrum of innovative research being done throughout the Health Sciences Campus. Gifts of note that have provided seed funding or supported other new research initiatives include:

- The Elad and Edythe Broad Foundation — a pledge to establish the Elad and Edythe Broad Fellows; a cohort of exceptional junior faculty, 5000 young, promising scientists who will be supported in their early careers and who will be encouraged to work on innovative research that could transform medicine.
- The Donald E. and Delia B. Baxter Foundation — a gift of $100,000 to support Justin Ichida, PhD and his work in using pluripotent stem cells to study the pathological landscape.
- The Eli and Edythe Broad Foundation — a gift of $100,000 to support the Keck School’s graduate students in the early years.
- The Keck School of Medicine of USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research — a gift of $250,000 to support the endeavors described above.
- The Rainwater Charitable Foundation — a gift of $300,000 for two postdoctoral fellowships at Keck.
- The Wilshire Family Foundation — a gift of $100,000 to support the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research.

The Keck School of Medicine of USC, under the leadership of President Maxine M. F. Fursman, MD, MSc, PhD, professor of medicine at the Keck School and associate director of the USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center. Funding will support the clinical team at the USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Dana and David Dornsife — A gift of $250,000 to support the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research.

Ben Lurie — A gift of $100,000 to support the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research under the direction of Stephen Geller, MD, MCh, chair and professor of the Catherine and Joseph Aresty Department of Urology at the Keck School.

Carole Caudil — A gift of $100,000 to support senior postdoctoral researchers at the Keck School.

Ante P. Giannotti Foundation — A combined gift of $365,000 for two postdoctoral fellowships at Keck.

Lindsey Mork, PhD, received her fellowship based on her continued study of epigenetics and kidney cancer.

Marion Brodie, Nghi and Barry Brodie and the Constance Brodie Foundation — Significant support for the continued growth of the Adolescent and Young Adult oncology program (also known as AYA@USC) under the direction of Stuart E. Siegel, MD, professor and vice chair of pediatrics at the Keck School.

Dana and Debra Trosky — A pledge of $500,000 to the Keck School of Medicine to establish the Trosky Family Professorship in Neurology.

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Richard Paulson, holder of the Alia Tutor Chair in Reproductive Medicine.

Gift offers boost to reproductive endocrinology research

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Richard Paulson, PhD, professor of medicine at the Keck School and associate director of the USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, where he joined the full-time faculty in 1986. He is board certified in reproductive endocrinology and infertility.

“Chairs in this field are rare,” said Paulson, “and although we’ve made a lot of progress in the fields of reproductive endocrinology and infertility, there is still a great deal of work to be done. A wonderful gift from the Tutor family to the Keck School.”

A graduate of Colombia Law School, Alia Tutor has served as an adviser at the United Nations Office for Partnerships, where she promoted and developed novel collaborations and alliances between the U.N. and corporations, foundations and civil society organizations.

Ronald Tutor is chair and chief executive officer of Tutor Perini Corporation, president of Tutor-Saliba Construction, and a co-owner of Miramax Films. An alum and longtime USC benefactor, Tutor is a member of the Executive Committee of the university’s Board of Trustees, a fellow of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research, a member of the USC Institute of Urology and kidney cancer research.

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