

Children's Mercy Hospitals & Clinics Research Annual Report 2003

CD of Research Grants, Publications and Presentations

Welcome and Introduction

Dear Colleague:

Thank you for taking a few minutes to look at our Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics 2003 Research Annual Report. We hope that you will learn more about the dedicated pediatric specialists and researchers working here in an ongoing quest to answer the questions and develop the cures for childhood disease.

This CD summarizes the work of our researchers as highlighted in peer review journals, books, abstracts and presentations. In 2003, our groundbreaking pediatric research was featured in more than 160 publications, including *The New England Journal of Medicine, Pediatrics, the American Journal of Human Genetics, Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, the Journal of Pediatric Surgery and Pediatric Research*. Our researchers also were invited speakers and guest lecturers at international conferences and universities throughout the United States as well as Australia, Canada, Brazil, Mexico and the United Kingdom.

The CD also contains listings of the new grants and ongoing commitments to pediatric research. Annual research expenditures from external (mostly federal) sources grew to \$8.55 million in 2003, including \$3.37 million in coveted National Institutes of Health grants. The total, multi-year value of all externally funded active projects at Children's Mercy jumped to \$32.3 million in 2003. Federal dollars make up about two-thirds of the funding. Another 18 percent comes from foundation organizations and 14 percent is provided by industry.

We are pleased to partner with individuals and organizations that are likewise committed to creating a healthier future for all children. If you would like to know more about our research or discuss possible collaborations, please contact our Medical Research Office at (816) 234-3961 or visit our Web site at www.childrens-mercy.org/Research.

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