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## RESISTANCE IS FUTILE

DTRA working on therapies to defeat antimicrobial resistance, reduce threat

By Richard Johnson

WASHINGTON — The rising tide of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and the ability of bacteria to overcome antibiotics is a growing threat to both public health and the warfighter.

Outbreaks of AMR pathogens are an increasingly serious threat to both the military's combat readiness and to global public health. While the natural prevalence of AMR in traditional biowarfare agents remains relatively low, the potential for acquisition or deliberate genetic manipulation make the possibility of a resistant threat a reality too dangerous to ignore.

The Defense Threat Reduction Agency, which also serves as the Department of Defense's Joint Science and Technology Office is addressing the need for more effective broad-spectrum antibacterial therapies that can overcome resistance. Their efforts include the development of novel antibiotics against validated clinical targets. One such drug candidate, gepotidacin, targets the topoisomerase/gyrase protein complex in a manner similar, but distinct from Food and Drug Administration-approved quinolones, a family of synthetic broad-spectrum antibacterial drugs.

In 2007, JSTO began funding the development, through GlaxoSmithKline, of gepotidacin, formerly named GSK-944. Gepotidacin is a broad-spectrum, novel antibiotic for the treatment of resistant biowarfare bacteria such as plague, tularemia and anthrax.

The U.S. FDA, in conjunction with JSTO, agreed that the efficacy and safety data presented during preliminary trials supported a pre-emergency use authorization filing for gepotidacin as a treatment for plague.

These events, as well as progress in the sister program funded by the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, spurred the GSK team to commit to medicine development in October 2015. This milestone allows progression of gepotidacin towards a Phase 3 development program and serves as a corporate endorsement for continued development. This endorsement is significant for an atrophying antibacterial pipeline due to the poor potential for return on investment in the commercial market.

In recent studies, the team demonstrated gepotidacin is efficacious in treating mice with Y. pes-



*Welcoming the first baby born in 2016 at Naval Hospital Bremerton to the world, Shawnee Kraften holds Isabella Rose Kraften, born at 11:28 p.m. on Jan 1, 2016. Shawnee is a Spanway, Wash. native and husband Jason, a machinist mate 3rd class assigned to USS Ohio (SSGN 726) is from El Paso, Texas. Isabella was the 48th baby delivered at NHB's Northwest Beginnings Family Birth Center in December. For 2015, 710 babies were born for an approximate average of 59 per month at NHB.*



## New Year babies

Naval Medical Center San Diego welcomed its first newborn of the year at 3:54 a.m.

Weighing in at six pounds, 11.9 ounces, Lucas John Squires was 49 centimeters long. Baby Lucas was proudly introduced to the world by his mother, Lisa G. Irwin, and Father, Joshua D. Squires. Both currently serve on active duty in the U.S. Navy.

Naval Medical Center San Diego delivered more than 3,000 babies in 2015.

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tis, (the bacteria response for plague infections) induced infection by aerosol exposure. Gepotidacin was also tested twice in a pivotal Good Laboratory Practice (a system of management controls for research laboratories and organizations) to ensure the uniformity, consistency, reliability, reproducibility, quality, and integrity of chemical non-clinical safety tests) African Green primate aerosol plague model. All doses of gepotidacin in these studies provided a survival benefit and eradicated bacteria from the blood and organs of surviving animals. In order to provide efficacy data to support a lower clinical dose (and to provide the FDA with additional efficacy data to support the dosage regime evaluated in the first two pivotal studies, a third and final African Green primate study is currently being conducted.

Gepotidacin has also demonstrated efficacy against other potential biowarfare agents. A proof-of-concept anthrax treatment study using New Zealand White Rabbits demonstrated 88 to 100 percent survival at both dosing regimens tested. Gepotidacin exposures in

the study were similar to human 1000 mg doses. Bacterial clearance in the lung for gepotidacin-treated rabbits was comparable to levofloxacin treated control rabbits with a small number of bacteria isolated reflecting residual spores. Additionally, proof of concept studies are ongoing in rats infected with *F. tularensis* with the first cohort showing promising survival and bacterial clearance data. Dose selection for pivotal studies will be guided by the results of these studies and human clinical doses.

This program, in conjunction with its sister program for the treatment of clinical infections, represents an outstanding effort to develop a novel antibiotic that will overcome resistant infections. This capability will bolster supplies to combat infections in the context of a biological attack, providing a new treatment against which no resistance has arisen. Furthermore, this drug will have significant utility for the treatment of clinical infections of urgent concern to our armed forces.

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(Official Navy photo)

*Got the wintertime blues? You're not alone. But Navy Medicine attests there are ways to shine some light to prevent and cope with the dark days of winter.*

## Shine some light on the winter blues with Navy medicine

By Douglas Stutz

BREMERTON, Wash. - Got the wintertime blues? You're not alone.

Navy Medicine attests there are ways to shine some light to prevent and cope with the dark days of winter.

According to Dr. Anthony Hwang, Naval Hospital Bremerton Clinical Psychologist assigned to the Mental Health Department, when a person's individual mood is normally okay, but come fall and winter is consistently or predominantly low, they could be experiencing the winter blues which affects approximately 10-20 percent of the U.S. population.

Then there is another five percent of

the population that suffer from Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) with a seasonal pattern, a condition once referred to as Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD).

"There is a difference between being down and experiencing MDD with a seasonal pattern. The pattern is consistent and research indicates it's tied to light, or lack thereof. The further from the equator during the winter months, the more prevalent the condition can be. There can be a reluctance to admit its existence and there are certainly a lot of different specifiers for MDD, but we know it's there and there are ways to deal with it," said Hwang.

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# Tripler's Nutrition Outpatient Clinic offers advice on making healthy lifestyle improvements

By Emily Yeh,  
Tripler Public Affairs

Another new year is about to begin and resolutions are being made. Is going on a diet, losing weight and being healthier at the top of your list again or for the first time? Tripler Army Medical Center's (TAMC) Capt. William Conkright, Chief, Nutrition Outpatient Clinic, offers some advice and tips on how to make improving your health a successful journey.

Conkright is a model of what he teaches beneficiaries who seek his assistance. Conkright is an exercise enthusiast who sets realistic expectations to maintain a healthy lifestyle; incorporating a healthy balance of fitness and nutrition. His commitment to his health and well-being has paid off. He often receives a perfect score on the Army physical fitness test (APFT) and represented TAMC at the 31st annual Army Ten-Miler race in Washington, D.C., completing the race in under an hour.

What Conkright does to keep fit and maintain his health is no secret. His habits follow closely with the components of the Army's Performance Triad; sleep, activity and nutrition.

"I make sure I have a consistent well-



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**Capt. William Conkright (back row-center), Chief, Tripler Nutrition Outpatient Clinic, alongside other Hawaii based Soldiers, represented Tripler and the Army in Hawaii at the 31st annual Army Ten-Miler in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 11, 2015. Conkright and his team mates were honored to be chosen as the team to beat at this annual running event honoring Service Members from all branches.**

balanced lifestyle, not just a healthy diet. I eat plenty of vegetables, alongside proportional amounts of protein and carbohydrates to fuel and recover from activity. I exercise smartly, sleep at least seven to eight hours each day and manage my stress," reports Conkright.

He admits that he is not perfect but instead, "I stick to a healthy, consistent eating habit about 80% of the time. I allow myself 'outside the norm' behavior about 20% of the time, such

as on special occasions like birthdays," added Conkright.

Changes in diet require consistency and setting specific goals to maximize benefits and to help manage expectations. Those changes should be made with one or two, small, specific, sustainable changes - succeeding at those changes - then making another one or two small specific changes. For example, don't say "I want to lose weight", instead say, "I want to lose 25 pounds in six months, losing two pounds per

## Now you're just rubbing it in: How washing your hands can harm you

Could washing your hands be harmful to your health? Surprisingly, yes, if you were exposed to a chemical warfare agent. The soap and water mixture, combined with the rubbing motion of washing your hands, could enhance the chemical penetration through your skin.

After a hundred years of research, why does protection from persistent chemical warfare agent exposure and skin decontamination remain so difficult? In part because a detailed mechanistic understanding of how agents are absorbed through the skin, specifically the stratum corneum (SC), has been a challenge to accurately determine.

However, new research managed by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency's Joint Science and Technology Office is working to enhance decontamination processes for the warfighter.

Until the 1970's, the SC, the outermost layer of the five layers of skin, was thought to be inert, like a thin plastic sheet whose role was to protect the more active lower layers of the epidermis.

It has only been within the last five years that scientists have uncovered new information regarding the intricacy and complexity of the chemical and biological structure and function of the SC.

Understanding these functions, in particular SC diffusion mechanisms and measuring dermal absorption rates, is

critical to developing capabilities that protect warfighters from toxic agent exposures.

A team, including principal investigator Xiaoying Hui at the University of California, San Francisco, managed by Dr. Brian Pate from the DTRA Research and Development Directorate, is leading the global effort to provide state of the art data, information and knowledge relative to the development of new dermal protection, detection and decontamination countermeasures and capabilities. Recently this team performed a review from a biological and clinical perspective to obtain additional sources of data that will help guide current DoD relevant research in this area.

Key findings reinforce the theories that there are multiple layers of SC structural heterogeneity that result in unique substance partitioning character-

istics across these membranes. It is this partitioning that has thwarted previous attempts to accurately model and understand the absorption rates and diffusion mechanisms within the SC.

The team also found that the risks and weaknesses of standard decontamination methods that utilize water and detergent include the lack of clinical evidence necessary to validate their efficacy. Risks of detergents that can remove skin lipids are still under investigation because detergents may impair or hinder decontamination by altering the natural inherent SC membrane protective capability and allow for faster toxin penetration into the sub SC layers of the skin.

Alternate in vitro methods are needed due to challenges pertaining to efficiency, cost-effectiveness and ethical concerns of certain in vivo experiments.



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week" and make adjustments so the goals remain relevant and attainable which should produce positive results.

"Diet affects a wide range of health related measures. Most people don't realize that their diet can affect everything from joint pain, to sinuses, to skin clarity, to mental clarity and so much more," said Conkright. "It's also one of the most powerful prevention measures against most common diseases. There is a reason many of our chronic diseases are known as a 'disease of western civilization' and it has a lot to do with diet," added Conkright.

There are a million ways to approach health and fitness; an individual needs to figure out what works best for them. But Conkright stresses that you shouldn't fixate solely on numbers, like calorie counting. Instead make sure the calories you are counting are from nutrient dense foods which assist the body in processing the calories consumed, otherwise you may deprive yourself of vital nutrients.

If you are not sure where to start, Tripler's Nutrition Outpatient Clinic can help you do the figuring. Dietitians in the clinic offer beneficiaries the tools to help them develop an individualized plan and even incorporate fitness objectives into the plan.

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# Battalion recognizes sailors for completing cycling challenge, kicks off Heroes to Home Challenge

By Petty Officer 1st Class  
Brannon Deugan

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 1

ROTA, Spain — Seabee Battalion recognized four Sailors for participating in a cycling challenge earlier in the year at Camp Mitchell on Naval Station Rota, Spain, Dec. 24, 2015.

The Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 S6, computer and information management, department conducted a 2,359 mile cross country cycling challenge on stationary bikes from March 25, 2015, to April 22, 2015, in Gulfport, Mississippi, during preparation for the current deployment.

With deployment nearing the end, the S6 department, led by Senior Chief Information Systems Technician Sunny Williamson, issued the “Heroes to Home Bike and Run Challenge” for all members of NMCB 1 deployed across the globe.

“Heroes to Home started as the next step in our drive to move forward with our advanced physical fitness here at NMCB 1,” said Williamson, from Graham, North Carolina. “We started this last year to see how people would react and what the end result would produce. It turned into a true team building event, and we all have been anxiously waiting to implement this with the entire command. It is a serious motivator for

this NMCB 1 team, and so much that it is motivating others around us, which was our goal from the start. We all feel very proud of being a part of this challenge, and everyone is taking this on with an ‘all in, all the time’ dedication.”

Participants in the challenge will be able to complete miles on cardiovascular equipment (a treadmill, stationary bike, elliptical, etc.) or outdoors by running or bicycling to accumulate the 12,378 miles, the total distance from the two deployment sites of Rota, Spain, and Guam back to Gulfport, Mississippi.

“With this challenge you will see a big boost in teamwork as we all pull together to complete this challenge,” said Williamson. “There are 51 troops in this challenge, and we are all focused on the end goal. There are teams within the challenge, so I can tell you now that the competitive spirit will increase every day to push the limits, which will bring Sailors that wouldn’t normally do something like this to the front of the pack. Sailors need goals. With this challenge, we can achieve our goal, and somewhere along the way many of these Sailors will surprise even themselves with what they are capable of and take that onboard for this next year. So for me, the results I am betting we all will see out of this challenge are teamwork and self-motivation, which are two really key areas of being successful.”

The Heroes to Home challenge is also a chance to honor the memory of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

“In our first challenge, last year, we dedicated our NMCB 1 Communicator Bike Challenge to Information Systems Technician 1st Class Jared Day who was killed in action when his CH-47 Chinook helicopter (Extortion 17) was shot down in Afghanistan on August 6, 2011,” said Williamson. “Day is our silent COMMS [communication] warrior that will forever guard our NET [network].”

The communications team has decided to dedicate their miles and effort to the memory of the entire crew by going by the team name of “Extortion 17.”

The participants of the earlier cross country cycling challenge experienced improvement in overall fitness as well as developed stronger relationships within the department.

“The bike challenge we did as an S6 Shop was one of the best bonding experiences I’ve ever experienced in my career,” Information System Technician 1st Class Andrew Bankey, from Gulfport, Mississippi, “It brought our entire shop together with a shared goal in mind. I lost over 20 pounds and 2.5 inches off my waist to help me achieve one of my best physical readiness test scores.”

“My goals for this challenge are much

like the last one: to bring our shop closer together while reaping the healthy benefits of physical competition,” said Bankey.

Shortly past midnight, the New Year had begun along with the start of the “Heroes to Home Bike and Run Challenge,” pools of sweat form on the floor mats of the Camp Mitchell gym as miles are quickly accumulating, and the anticipation of the challenge evolved to friendly competition among friends.

“The ball dropped at midnight, we all high-fived, and toasted the New Year, and to the gym I went,” said Electronics Technician 3rd Class Tony Juarez, from Bellevue, Nebraska. “I found half my ship family already geared up, and starting the New Year and challenge off right. It is a great feeling to have when your ship family is there to motivate and push you to make yourself better.”



(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brannon Deugan/Released)

**Builder Constructionman Sean Rodriguez-Lopez, left, and Electronics Technician 3rd Class Tony Juarez, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1, ride stationary bikes during the NMCB 1 “Heroes to Home Bike and Run Challenge” at Camp Mitchell on Naval Station Rota, Spain, Jan. 4, 2016. “Heroes to Home” is a fitness challenge to accumulate the 12,378 miles, the total distance from the two deployment sites of Rota, Spain and Guam back to Gulfport, Miss.**

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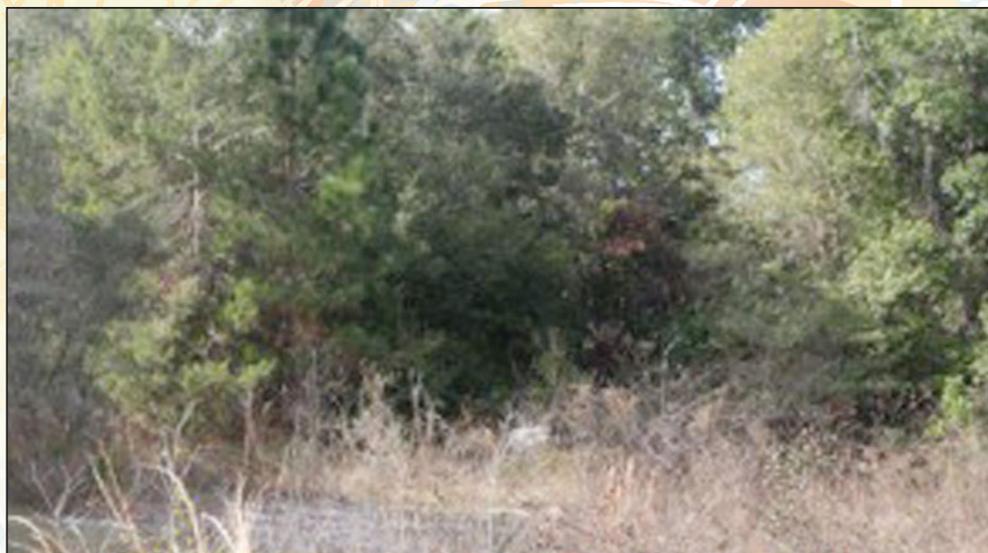
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# Moving others to smile: US Army All-American Bowl brings joy to the community through joint partnership between Soldiers and players

By Sgt. Aaron Ellerman  
204th Public Affairs Detachment

SAN ANTONIO — The air is still, briefly interrupted by the occasional passerby clad in blue or white uniforms. A persistent beeping and humming of distant machines and monitors lingers in the air. The sound mixes with the bright fluorescent rays as it travels throughout the numerous quiet corridors and rooms of the giant facility. An elevator dings as it reaches the seventh floor. The door slides open releasing a boisterous mass of excitement dressed in camouflage and football jerseys that spring into the sanitized environment of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at University Health System Hospital in San Antonio, Texas Jan. 6.

More than 30 Soldiers and U.S. Army All-American West players made the special trip to the hospital during their visit to the area in preparation for the upcoming bowl game.

"It was really important for us to be here and make them happy. We showed them that the people in the community care about them," said Raekwon Davis, a Meridian, Mississippi native and defensive tackle for the west team.

The U.S. Army All-American Bowl is the nation's premier high school All-American game featuring the best 90 players from around the country competing against one another in an East vs. West game every year at the Alamo

Dome in San Antonio, Texas.

"I'm thankful for this opportunity to play in this event it gives me a chance to showcase the hard work and dedication I've committed over the years and also gives me a chance to meet new people and help the community," said Charles Oliver, a Fairfield, Texas native and cornerback for the west team.

The Army sponsors the bowl and its related activities as a way to engage local communities and enhance the organizations connection between America and the extraordinary men and women who are our Nation's Soldiers.

"These opportunities are really important because it lets the country know that we aren't just about being a fighting force we are also a community organization," said Sgt. 1st Class Joshua Hernandez, U.S. Army Reserve Recruiter of the Year.

The players arrive a week early to practice and meet their new teammates and coaches. They also participate in community outreach engagements partnering up with Soldier mentors throughout the week.

"This whole event really shows and parallels what the Army is all about, having to come together as a team with people you've just met in order to accomplish great things," said Hernandez.

In coordination with the hospital the group got an opportunity to visit and participate in activities while sharing their experiences and stories with many

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of the children.

The players and Soldiers surprised the children of varying ages who were suffering from varying types of illnesses.

“It was a cool experience that brought a couple tears to my eyes. I hope that these kids can grow up and be like us one day and come back and share their own stories,” said Davis.

“I’m glad we can make a difference in these kids lives and bring them happiness – they were so excited to see us,” said Oliver.

The players took pictures with the children and signed memorabilia, telling them to watch for their numbers during the game.

The group finally made its way back to the elevators leaving their joy and cheer to echo throughout the halls, and taking with them an unforgettable experience.

The U.S. Army All-American Bowl was played on Saturday, Jan. 9.



*U.S. Army All-American west players pose for a photo with a patient during a visit Jan. 5, at University Health System Hospitals’ Pediatric ward in San Antonio, Texas. Several football players made the special trip during their visit to the area in preparation for the U.S. Army All American Bowl. The Bowl is the nation’s premier high school All-American game, featuring the best 90 players from around the country competing against one another in an East vs. West game every January at the Alamo Dome in San Antonio, Texas. Players arrive early to practice and participate in community outreach engagements throughout the area partnering up with Soldier mentors throughout the week.*

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