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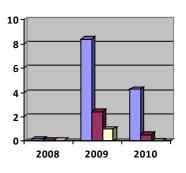
OFFICE OF RESEARCH & GRADUATE STUDIES

2009-2010

## Results

#### **RESEARCH**

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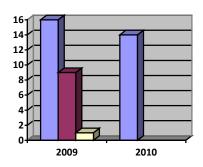
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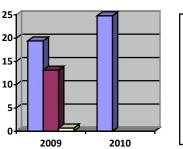
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#### Sponsored Research

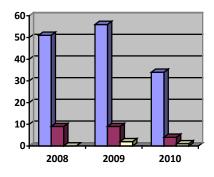


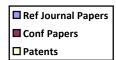
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#### **Publications**





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#### **GRADUATE STUDIES**

Graduate Programs Submitted in 2009-2010	Status
EMBA (Executive Masters of Business Administration)	Final stages of MoHE approval
MSc &PhD in Biomedical Sciences	Review by MoHE
MSc in Genetic Counseling	Review by UCU then to MoHE
MSc in Radiological & Imaging Sciences	Review by UCU then to MoHE
MSc &PhD in Energy & Environmental Engineering	Needs BOT approval, then to UCU & MoHE

## **Executive Summary**

This report outlines the achievements as well as the challenges facing the development of research and graduate studies at Alfaisal University. We will show that while we have a very productive and talented academic research team, a major shortcoming facing us is the need to deliver on actual research funding, from both internal and external sources, to our faculty members.

The mission of the Office of Research & Graduate Studies is to support multi-disciplinary research and graduate programs of faculty and students by enhancing the environment for creative scholarly work with the highest levels of quality and integrity, and that stimulate the development of a knowledge-based society.

Over the past two years faculty members have requested a total of 12.8 million SR in internal Start-up Funding to support the initiation of their research at Alfaisal University; from this total, 2.97 million SR has been approved by the Office of Research & Graduate Studies and 1.02 million SR has been paid out by the Finance Department. A foremost area for concern is that actual Start up funding paid out has not kept pace with funding approved. We can argue that this will hamper the recruitment and retention of research oriented faculty, and will indirectly affected the University's vision and mission to become a research institution.

The dilemma is repeated in the area of sponsored research. A total of 30 research proposals have been prepared and submitted by Alfaisal faculty members over the past two years. Total funding requested was 44.24 million SR. Currently only one proposal has been funded for 0.7 million SR; eight proposals that were submitted as part of the KACST Advanced & Strategic Science & Technology competition were either recommended or highly recommended for funding in the amount of 13.15 million SR; three were turned down and seventeen are still under review. We are still waiting for actual funding of the approved projects. Based on information from KACST, which administers the S&T grant competition, there is an apparent bottleneck in terms of available government funding and approval of the next 5 year Science & Technology Plan. Similar to the internal Start-up funding, this external funding predicament is also hampering Alfaisal University's ability to achieve its vision and mission statements. Furthermore, we can also speculate that this will also make it more difficult to hire and retain research faculty members, as well as making it more difficult to start up and run our graduate programs which are currently with MoHE (Ministry of Higher Education) for final approval.

It is encouraging to be able to report that Alfaisal University faculty members have had a very prolific publication output with 50 and 56 refereed journal papers in 2008 and 2009, respectively and already 38 papers for the first half of 2010. In addition, there were 2 patent applications in 2009 and one in 2010, and 8 books in the last 3 years. Congratulations to everyone on a job well done!

The Research Policies & Procedures document has been updated. The second edition can be found on the Alfaisal Web site. Furthermore, an electronic research database & management system has been developed to keep track of pre-award research proposals and post award funded projects. In addition, as part of our effort to provide better service to faculty, staff, students and the general public, the Office of Research & Graduate Studies website is in the process of being redesigned and updated.

Now in its second year, the Research Colloquium had 16 speakers from both internal and external sources over the past 10 months. The aims of this seminar series include: sharing research areas of interest; facilitating research outreach via face to face meetings with government, industry and the private sector; and promoting research collaboration and initiatives within Alfaisal, KSA, the region and the world.

In an effort to enhance research collaboration between KACST-NRERI (Natural Resources & Environmental Research Institute) and Alfaisal University, a successful monthly seminar series was held with the venue alternating between the two institutions. Next year it is planned to further improve the interaction by the creation of focus groups in strategic research areas of interest to both parties. The NRERI also hosted several of our undergraduate medical students for summer training in their biotechnology laboratory. Furthermore, four Alfaisal medical students were selected and spent four weeks at the King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center (KFSHRC) in a Stem Cell Therapy Laboratory. Training in medical research laboratories is an essential part in the development of undergraduate students who will eventually become medical doctors

Students from the Colleges of Medicine, Engineering & Business, were invited to present their research activities/proposals/future programs through posters in the presence of faculty members, students and the public, at an event held on Wednesday 28 April 2010 in the Alfaisal University Campus. The VP for Research and Graduate studies opened the proceedings with a key note speech. The winning posters were announced at the awarding ceremony, where the Acting Provost handed over certificates to all participating authors & trophies to the winners.

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies was also busy in developing research partnerships with industry. Alfaisal University is actively seeking such collaboration and is pleased to work with a world renowned multinational company such as Raytheon, in strategic priority areas of mutual interest including, for example the establishment of a *Technology Innovation Center* at Alfaisal University. In addition, the Vice President for Research & Graduate Studies signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Chief Executive Officer of Fraport, Saudi Arabia for Airport Management and Development Services Company Ltd. The common goals of the participating parties are to support training and technological collaboration and to benefit from each others' capabilities. Furthermore, training courses have been proposed for the Saline Water Conversion Corporation (SWCC) staff to be run in English by Alfaisal University faculty as well as desalination experts from outside the country. Finally, a draft proposal was prepared describing the "Mechanisms for Collaboration between the BOEING Company and Alfaisal University". The Company is interested in promoting research and education.

At the graduate level, a total of five programs have been proposed at both the master's and doctoral levels. The proposed programs, which are in various stages of MOHE (Ministry of Higher Education) approval, include EMBA (Executive Masters of Business Administration, MSc &PhD in Biomedical Sciences, MSc in Genetic Counseling, MSc in Radiological & Imaging Sciences, and MSc &PhD in Energy & Environmental Engineering. It is hoped that several of these programs will be approved and running shortly. In addition, the Office of Research & Graduate Studies has prepared a Graduate Policies and Procedures document for students faculty and staff to help define their responsibilities and to explain the policies and procedures that govern graduate study at Alfaisal University.

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies would like to offer a special thanks to all faculty members, administrators and support staff who took part in and assisted in the

submission of sponsored research proposals to outside agencies, for their prolific publication record as well as for taking part in and facilitating the Research Colloquium and the Student Research Day Poster Competition. Many thanks to all for a job well done!

In closing, the results have shown that the University has a very talented and productive academic team as shown by the submission of numerous research proposal applications, the highly recommended ratings that many of these have received from external reviewers, the multitude of scientific publications, the upcoming graduate programs, the excellent achievements of our students in the poster competition, and the strong interaction with industry and outside research institutions. However, it is important to point out that a major area of concern is the deficiency in research funding actually received by our faculty members both from both internal and external sources. We can argue that unless we can improve this situation (i.e. more actual research funding received) then the University (i.e. the College Dean's) will need to be more realistic in their recruitment promises to potential new faculty (e.g. do not promise start up funding that we cannot deliver on). Furthermore, unless the recommended sponsored research funding comes through then the institution may need to rethink its vision and mission statements. These are the major research challenges facing us over the next couple of years.

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## 1. Vision & Mission Statements

## **Our Vision**

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies facilitates research and graduate studies at Alfaisal University enabling it to be a leading regional institution that benefits society and that helps to sustain a knowledge-based economy.

## **Our Mission**

Our mission is to support multi-disciplinary research and graduate programs of faculty and students by enhancing the environment for creative scholarly work with the highest levels of quality and integrity, and that stimulate the development of a knowledge-based society.

Specific goals for the Office are:

- Developing an infrastructure and culture that encourages, supports and recognizes research excellence and promotes the involvement of both undergraduate and graduate students in order to assist Alfaisal to become a leading institution that benefits society in the region.
- Establishing effective sustainable research sponsored programs to allow the University to grow and to fulfill its strategic goals.
- Institutionalizing ethical standards and guidelines for all Alfaisal faculty, staff and students to ensure the highest levels of integrity and compliance.
- Developing and encouraging the creation of interdisciplinary research and graduate programs, centers of excellence and research chairs to aid Alfaisal to become a hub of distinction.
- Facilitating commercialization of research outcomes in order to help the country to diversify its economy.

## 2. Research

## 2.1. Funding

## 2.1.1. Start-up Funding

Over the past two years new faculty members have requested a total of 12.8 million SR in Start-up Funding to support the initiation of their research at Alfaisal University (Figure1, Tables 1 & 2). From this total, 2.97 million has been approved by the Office of Research & Graduate Studies (ORG) and 1.02 million SR has been paid out by the Finance Department. A major area for concern is that actual Start up funding paid out has not kept pace with funding approved. We can argue that this will hamper the recruitment and retention of research oriented faculty, and will indirectly affected the University's vision and mission to become a research institution. Start-up funding is awarded to new faculty as part of the recruitment process and is used to help initiate their research programs in accordance with research fields and priorities set forth by the University. Start-up funding requests are prepared by new faculty applicants in coordination with the College Dean and Vice President for Research & Graduate Studies.

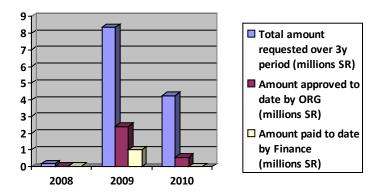


Figure 1: Start-Up Funding Requested, Approved and Paid

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	Yr	2008	2009	2010
Total Amt Requested		0.17	8.37	4.26
Amt Approved by ORG		0.03	2.41	0.54
Amt Paid by Finance		0.03	0.99	0.00

Table 2: Start-up Funding Projects at Alfaisal University 2008-2010

Name/College	Project No.**	Project Title	Start Date d/m/y	Tot Amt Rqstd over 3y (SR)	Approv to date by ORG (SR)	Paid to date by Finance (SR)
		2010	-			
Abdulmajeed Mohamad/Eng	201131503101	Trough Solar Collector Analysis and Construction for Water Desalinations Application	03/04/2010	937,500	7,300	0
Yogi Erlangga/Sci	425050304101	Acceleration of iterative methods via subspace correction	03/04/2010	695.503	18,000	0
Zhao Yong/Eng	226250304102	Parallel Unstructured LBM with Fluid-Structure Interaction for Challenging Engineering and Bio-mechanic Applications	03/04/2010	1,525,980	7,300	0
Tianzheng Yu/Med	320252403101	Role of mitochondrial fission in apoptosis	24/03/2010	749,060	110,000	0
Edreese Alsharaaeh/ Sci	405010901101	Synthesis and Characterization of Polymers and copolymers from Olefin Vapors Using Nanocatalyst	09/01/2010	900,000	393,033	0
			Subtotal	4,264,043	535,633	0
		2009				
Hisham Abad/Sci	408010811091	Common Research Laboratory Facility Proposal for Colleges of Medicine & Science & General Studies	11/11/2009	630,000	630,000	0
Abdallah Shami/Eng	201190911091	Hybrid Broadband Access Network	09/11/2009	1,040,025	3.243	3,243
Ali Khraibi/Med	301110811091	Common Research Laboratory Facility Proposal for Colleges of Medicine & Science & General Studies	08/11/2009	780,750	228,308	43,438
Bernhard Juurlink/Med	302100811091	Common Research Laboratory Facility Proposal for Colleges of Medicine & Science & General Studies	08/11/2009	720,000	192,000	0
Paul Ganguly/Med	316070811091	Common Research Laboratory Facility Proposal for Colleges of Medicine & Science & General Studies	08/11/2009	882,000	371,325	0
Jalal Karam/Sci	410111410091	Identifying Wavelets for Recognition and Compression Purposes	20/10/2009	112,500	20,199	11,249
Hazbo Skoko/Bus	108190510091	Information Communication Technology (ICT) adaption models in KSA's SMEs	05/10/2009	168,750	23,513	23,513
Ahmed Yaqinuddin/ Med	301250108091	Using Micro-RNAs as Biomarkers for Diagnosing and Monitoring Progressic of reast Cancers	n 01/08/2009	512,374	0	0
Rehan Ahmed/Eng	218013006091	Surface Engineering for Next Generation of Aerospace, Energy, and Biomedical Applications	30/06/2009	2,032,500	839,886	839,886
Norman Wright/Bus	114232601091	Cross Cultural Teamwork: Processes & Outcomes	26/01/2009	168,750	29,148	2,096
Jim Roach*/Sci	410182401091	Use of Colloidal System in Water Treatment & Enhanced Oil Recovery	24/01/2009	931,500	0	0
Simon Hull/Sci	419082401092	The Familiar Essay and Romantic Consumerism	24/01/2009	112,500	14,280	14,280
Robert McColl*/Sci	418132401093	Research, Teaching and Conference Funds for English	24/01/2009	112,500	?	?
Richard Arnold/Sci	418012001091	Bad Eminence (a novel/screenplay): Trinity of Discord (Book)	20/01/2009	168,750	53,531	53,531
			Subtotal	8,372,899	2,405,433	991,236
		2008				
Norman Swazo/Sci	414192408081	Biomedical Ethics	24/08/2008	168,750	24,897	24,897
			Subtotal	168,750	24,897	24,897
		G	RAND TOTAL	12,805,692	2,965,963	1,016,132

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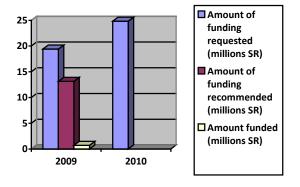
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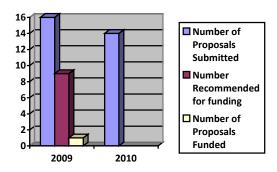
#### 2.1.2. Sponsored Research

A total of 30 research proposals have been prepared and submitted by Alfaisal faculty members over the past two years (Figures 2 & 3, Tables 3 & 4) (i.e. from January 2009 to March 2010). Total funding requested was 44.24 million SR. Currently only one proposal has been funded; *Entrepreneurship Survey in Saudi Arabia* (GEM) for 0.7 million SR with M. Alodan as PI. Eight proposals that were submitted as part of the KACST Advanced & Strategic Science & Technology competition were either recommended or highly recommended for funding in the amount of 13.15 million SR; three were turned down and seventeen are still under review.

We are still waiting for actual funding of the approved projects. Based on information from KACST, which administers the S&T grant competition, there is an apparent bottleneck in terms of available government funding and approval of the next 5 year Science & Technology Plan. Similar to the internal Start-up funding problem, this external funding dilemma is also hampering Alfaisal University's ability to achieve its vision and mission statements. Furthermore, we can argue that this will also make it more difficult to hire and retain research faculty members, as well as making it more difficult to start up and run our graduate programs which are currently with MoHE (Ministry of Higher Education) for final approval.



**Figure 2.** Amount of Sponsored Research Funding Requested, Recommended by Funding Agency, and Actually Funded



**Figure 3.** Number of External Research Proposals Submitted, Recommended by Agency, and Actually Funded

 Table 3. Sponsored Research Funding (millions SR)

Y	/r	2008	2009	2010
Amt Requested		-	19.42	24.82
Amt Recommended by Agency		-	13.15	-
Amt Actually Funded		-	0.70	-

Table 4: Research Proposals for External Funding Submitted by Alfaisal University Faculty Members 2009/10

PI	Proposal Code	Proposed Project Title	Amt Req SR	Prg/ Strat Area	Status*	Paid to date SR
		2010				
Zhao Yong	10-ENE1133-44	Advanced study of aerodynamics & fluid-structure interaction of wind turbines	2,019,750	ST/Energy	IP	
Rehan Ahmed	10-ADV1128-44	Acoustic Emission Monitoring of Thermal Spray Coatings for Orthopedic Implant & Man. Appl.	1,784,000	ST/Adv Mat	IP	
AbdulmajMohamad	10-NAN1124-44	Effect of Temp Gradient on Pressure Driven Water Flow in Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes	1,032,000	ST/ Nanotech	ΙP	
Edreese Alsharaeh	10-NAN1127-44	Synthesis and characterization of polymer nanocomposites via gas phase polymerization	1,690,000	ST/ Nanotech	IP	
Ahmed Yaqinuddin	10-BIO1132-44	Using Micro-RNAs as Biomarkers for Diagnosing Prostate Cancers	1,669,375	ST/Biotech	IP	
Ali Amin Khraibi	10-BIO1131-44	Role of Relaxin and Nitric Oxide (NO) in Renal Adaptations During Pregnancy	1,884,000	ST/ Biotech	IP	
Tianzheng Yu	10-BIO1129-44	Mitochondrial Fission and Pancreatic β-Cell Apoptosis in Type 2 Diabetes	1,834,000	ST/Biotech	ΙP	
Ali Amin Khraibi	10-BIO1130-44	Role of omega 6 fatty acid, arachidonic acid metabolites & antioxidant substances in prod. of	2,064,000	ST/Biotech	IP	
Hazbo Skoko	10-INF1125-44	Enhancing Urban Competitiveness through Strat Mangmt with Emphasis on E-gov & ICT	1,904,000	ST/ IT	ΙP	
Abdallah Shami	10-INF1126-44	Integrated Broadband Access Networks	1,531,000	ST/ IT	ΙP	
Jalal Karam	10-MAT1123-44	A Theoretical and Experimental Investigation of Speech Production and Hearing via Wavelets	1,976,000	ST/ Math&Phys	IP	
Yogi Erlangga	10-MAT1122-44	Multilevel methods for saddle point problems in fluid flows & seismic imaging with PDE constrained opt	1,959,150	ST/ Math&Phys	IP	
Hazbo Skoko	ARP-	Understanding Informal Contractual Relationships: Psych Contracts Est by Academics	1,058,600	AGP	IP	
Thomas Butler	ARP-30-344	Countering Antimicrobial Drug Resist. in Communicable Dis By Testing New Extracts from Plnt	2,416,000	AGP	ΙP	
		Subtotal	24,821,875			
		2009				
Maher Alodan	-	Entrepreneurship Survey in Saudi Arabia	700,000	GEM	F	700,000
Ali Khraibi	09-MED637-44	Renal and Cardiovascular Adaptations to Hypertensive Pregnancy	2,426,000	ST/ Biotech	R	0
Bernhard Juurlink	09-MED636-44	Phase two Protein Induction sirt1 and Gluconeogenesis	1,088,525	ST/Biotech	HR	0
Paul Ganguly	09-MED638-44	Role of Brain Amino Acids: Acids Function in Hyperhomocysteinemiac	777,000	ST/Biotech	R	0
Hisham Abad	09-ENV639-44	Black Carbon sequestration in the Agricultural System of Saudi Arabia	1,898,000	ST/ Environ	NR	-
Paul Ganguly	09-BIO811-44	Preventing Cardiovascular Disease: Using Nutraceuticals as Nutritional Interventions	1,971,300	ST/Biotech	HR	0
Abdallah Shami	09-INF814-44	Modeling and Optimization of Concurrent Multipath Transfer over Wireless Links	1,179,000	ST/ IT	R	0
Hazbo Skoko	09-INF815-44	Dev & Evaluation of ICT Models of Adoption & Use in Saudi Arabian SMEs	1,718,000	ST/ IT	R	0
Tianzheng Yu	09-BIO813-44	Mitochondrial Dynamics in Diabetic Nephropathy	1,966,400	ST/ Biotech	HR	0
Ahmed Yaqinuddin	09-BIO812-44	Identification of diagn & progn markers for bladder cancer through whole genome methylation	1,320,125	ST/ Biotech	HR	0
Roach (Alsharaeh)	-	Dev of Surf-based tech for mitigation of scale formation & augmentations of ht transfer in sw	1,029,200	KACSTInt/Water	IP	-
Mattheus Goosen	-	Brackish water solar desalination units for remote arid regions	1,977,800	KACSTInt/Water	ΙP	-
Bernhard Juurlink	-	Surface Modif of Ti for Enhanced Bone Growth & Tissue Adhesion in Orthopedic & Dental Appl	1,368,625	CEREM/Adv Mat	IP	-
Alex Kouzmenko	-	Dev Strat in Regenerative Therapies: Role of Nuclear Hormone Receptors in Reg of Adult Stem	=	PSCDR	IP	-
Maher Alodan	-	Proposal (LOI) for a Technology Innovation Center (TIC) for Advanced Materials in Ren Energy	-	KACST/TIC	NR	0
Abdallah Shami	-	Proposal (LOI) for a Technology Innovation Center (TIC) in Aerospace Engineering	=	KACST/TIC	NR	0
		Subtotal	19,419,975			700,000
		GRAND TOTAL	44.241.850			700,000

<sup>\*</sup>HR highly recommended; R recommended; NR not recommended; IP in progress; F funded

# 2.1.3. Electronic Management of Research Proposals & Projects

An electronic research database & management system (eRA) has been developed to keep track of pre-award research proposals and post award funded projects. (See example in Appendix A)

## 2.2. Publications

It is a pleasure to report that Alfaisal University 's 25 faculty members have had a very prolific publication output with 50 and 56 refereed journal papers in 2008 and 2009, respectively and already 38 papers for the first half of 2010. In addition there were 2 patent applications in 2009 and one in 2010, and 8 books in the last 3 years (see Figures 4-6, Table 5 and Appendix B). Congratulations to all on a job well done!

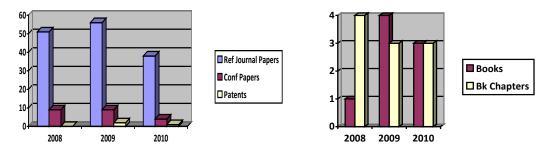


Figure 4. Journal and Conference Papers and Patents Figure 5. Books and Book Chapters

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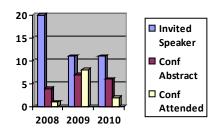


Figure 6. Invited Speaker, and Conference Abstracts & Attendance

## 2.3. Research Policies & Procedures

Research Policies & Procedures have been updated. The second edition can be found on the Alfaisal Web site (policies and procedures)

## 2.4. Research Colloquium

Now in its second year, the Research Colloquium had 16 speakers from both internal and external sources over the past 10 months. The aims of the lecture series include: sharing research areas of interest; facilitating research outreach via face to face meetings with government, industry and private sectors; and promoting research collaboration and initiatives within Alfaisal, KSA, the Region and the World. The Colloquium takes place on Campus on alternate Wednesdays (Table 6).

Table 6. Research Colloquium Schedule for 2009-2010.

14 Oct		
	Control systems, satellites systems and incubation and entrepreneurship.	Mohammed Al Majed - KACST
28 Oct	Mitochondrial dynamics and reactive oxygen species in diabetes	Dr. Tianzheng Yu Associate Prof of Physiology, COM Alfaisal Univ.
11 Nov	SABIC Global Technology and Innovation	Fahad Al-Sherehy-SABIC
9 Dec	Rage, rage against the dying of the light	Bernhard H.J. Juurlink Prof Anatomy & Cell Biology, CoM, Alfaisal Univ
23 Dec	Why do we have more diabetes? A gold mine for research	Dr.Khalid Al-Rubeaan - KSU
6 Jan	Crosstalk between estrogen & Wnt/APC signaling: potential role in protective action of estrogen in colon	Dr Alexander Kouzmenko. Prof Biology, CoSc, Alfaisal University
20 Jan	Biological Explanation for the Adaptive Response "Memory" against Stress and Disease: Lessons Learned from the Heart	Dr. Anwar Abdulfatah Professor of Physiology College of Medicine, Alfaisal University
24 Feb	The Future of Solar Energy	Dr. Abdulmajeed Mohammad – Prof Mech Eng College of Engineering, Alfaisal University
10 Mar	The Euro as a Role Model for Regional Monetary Cooperation in South America, South East Asia and the Gulf	Miguel Otero-Iglesias-PhD Candidate in International Political Economy, Oxford Brookes University , United Kingdom
24 Mar	The role of RNA binding proteins, tristetraprolin and HuR in cancer	Dr.Khalid S.Abo Khabar Director ,Bimolecular Research Program , Head interferon &cytokine Research Unit, KFSHRC
7 Apr	Cross-layer Optimization for Packet Transmission over Wireless Fading Channel	Abdullah Alshami ,College of Engineering
14 Apr	Overview of KFSH&RC Biomedical Physics Activities	Belal Moftah, PhD, FCCPM ,Chairman, Biomedical Physics Department KFSHRC
5 May	The Convergence of Renewable Energy, Mass Storage and Water Purification Technologies for Remote Locations	Frank Prautzsch, Raytheon Company, USA
12 May	Tribology of Surface Coatings: The Science of improving the Quality of Life through Durable Engineering	Dr. Rehan Ahmad Professor Mechinical Engineering
26 May	Translational Research	Dr. Hasan Rajab Assoc Prof & Consult of Surgery, CoM, Alfl Un.
9 June	Laser Research at KFUPM	Dr. Zain Yamani, CENT Director KFUPM- Dhahran

## 2.5. Student Research Day Poster Competition

Students from the Colleges of Medicine, Engineering & Business, were invited to present their research activities/proposals/future programs through posters in the presence of faculty members, students and the public, at an event held on Wednesday 28 April 2010 in the Alfaisal University Campus. Dr. Maher Alodan, VP for Research and Graduate studies opened the proceedings with a key note speech in which he stated, 'this event today is one of the first for Alfaisal University, and judging from our students and faculty response it just strengthens the view that research is indeed one of the missions of Alfaisal University'. The winning posters were announced at the awarding ceremony, where Acting Provost; Ronald Bulbulian handed over certificates to all participating authors & trophies to the winners (Figures 7-9).



**Figure 7.** Karam Hamweyah, Mohammed Diya Sabbagh, Bakir Swaid, and Abdulaziz Alkattan, from the College of Medicine were awarded first place in the competition for their poster entitled 'Persistent Bilateral sciatic artery: a rare discovery at the Alfaisal University'.



**Figure 8.** In second place: Ziad El-Sawah from the College of Engineering; for a poster entitled <u>'Launching Spacecrafts Using Electrostatic Force'</u>.



**Figure 9**. In third place Afsan Bin Farid, Amr Jijakli, Hassan Mandeel, and Sultan Bahatheq, from the College of Medicine for a poster entitled; 'Winning Against Antibiotic Drug Resistance'.

## 2.6. Faculty

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies would like to offer a special thanks to all faculty members, administrators and support staff who took part in and assisted in the submission of sponsored research proposals to outside agencies, for their prolific publication record as well as for taking part in and facilitating the Research Colloquium and the Student Research Day Poster Competition (Table 7). Congratulations on a job well done!

Table 7. Faculty List

Dr. Ronald Bulbulian Vice Provost for Academic Affairs Acting Provost, Acting Dean for College of Science & General Studies	Dr. Khaled Al Kattan Dean & Professor of Surgery College of Medicine Acting Vice President for Advancement
<u>Dr. Maher Alodan</u> Vice President for Research & Graduate Studies Acting Dean, College of Engineering	Dr. Ala A. Al Bakri Professor & Vice Provost for Accreditation and Quality Assurance
Dr. Norman Wright Professor of Management Acting Dean College of Business	Dr. Mattheus (Theo) F. A. Goosen Associate Vice President for Research & Graduate Studies
Dr. Dennis P. Greer Professor of Accounting and Management Information Systems College of Business	Dr. Bernhard H. J. Juurlink Professor of Anatomy & Cell Biology College of Medicine
<u>Dr. Hazbo Skoko</u> Assistant Professor of Economics & Finance College of Business	Dr. Pallab (Paul) K. Ganguly Professor of Anatomy College of Medicine

<u>Dr. Alexander Kouzmenko</u> Professor of Molecular Biology College of Science and General Studies	Dr. Ali A. Khraibi Professor of Physiology College of Medicine
Dr. Hisham H. Abad Professor of Physics College of Science and General Studies	Dr. Mohammad Hasan Rajab Assoc. Prof. of Biostatistics, Epidemiology, Community & Public Health College of Medicine
Dr. Norman K. Swazo Professor of Philosophy and Biomedical Ethics College of Science & General Studies	Dr. Tianzheng Yu Associate professor of Physiology College of Medicine
	<u>Dr. Ahmed Yaqinuddin</u> Assistant Professor of Anatomy & Cell biology College of Medicine
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Kaleem Mahmood Principal Instructor College of Engineering	Shahnawaz Ahmed Instructor College of Engineering
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## 2.7. Research Partnerships

## 2.7.1. Raytheon

The University and Raytheon believe that collaboration is crucial in achieving the Kingdom's Vision to obtain the scientific and technical knowledge needed for the country to achieve a better quality of life and to allow for sustained development through diversification. Alfaisal University is actively seeking such collaboration and is pleased to work with a world renowned company such as Raytheon in strategic priority areas of mutual

interest including, for example the establishment of a *Technology Innovation Center* at Alfaisal University. The areas of collaboration are focused on renewable energy and advanced materials in order to enable such sectors. There are different mechanisms of collaboration such as Technology Innovation Centers (TIC), joint workshops, R&D projects and staff training.

Raytheon is a large, multinational company with expertise in technology & industrial innovation, systems engineering & integration, training and total-life solutions that ensure No-Doubt<sup>TM</sup> performance, among other areas. Raytheon desires to continue to expand the mutually beneficial relationship it enjoys with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, to participate in the growing economy of the region, and to establish effective channels to serve the rapidly growing markets in Saudi Arabia and the surrounding region.

#### **2.7.2.** Fraport

Vice President for Research & Graduate Studies signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Chief Executive Officer, Fraport, Saudi Arabia for Airport Management and Development Services Company Ltd. In 2009. The common goals of the participating parties are to support training and technological collaboration and to benefit from each others' capabilities. Both parties will facilitate having guest lecturers from the Company at the University, allowing graduate student exchange projects, training of Company staff, having Company input on Alfaisal undergraduate curriculum, and having student internships at the Company. Ralph Schiffer, CEO, stated that it is important for "industry and educational institutions to work closely together to facilitate the country's progress" and looks forward to the "huge benefit this agreement will bring to both parties".

Fraport Saudi Arabia (FSA) is responsible for airport management and development of King Khalid International Airport, Riyadh and King Abdulaziz International Airport, Jeddah. FSA holds contracts with the General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA) of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. In terms of community relations and regional support, Fraport is active in a variety of fields; it believes in supporting educational projects, to sponsoring sports events. Environmental protection and community relations rank high with Fraport.

#### 2.7.3. SWCC

Training courses have been proposed for Saline Water Conversion Corporation (SWCC) staff to be run in English by Alfaisal University faculty as well as desalination experts from outside the country. In addition, the development of the Alfaisal undergraduate curriculum is described through enrichment of courses with case studies from SWCC as well as a proposed internship training program for students at SWCC facilities.

The SWCC is a Saudi government corporation that is responsible for desalinating sea water, in order to supplement the supply of potable water to arid coastal and inland cities in the Kingdom. The amount of desalinated water produced by the SWCC's 30 plants in 2007 was 1,066 million cubic meters. The Corporation is also the second largest electrical power producer in the Kingdom.

#### 2.7.4. **BOEING**

A draft proposal was prepared describing the "Mechanisms for Collaboration between the BOEING Company and Alfaisal University" The Company is interested in promoting research and education (e.g. establishing Research Chair. There is a possibility for BOEING to support a student internship program that is focused on real world industry problems. BOEING will contribute to the Executive Lectures Series that is held by College of Business, by sending speakers from their side to interact with students. BOEING employee's affiliates who have not had the chance to get their Master degrees may be able to work on their EMBA program that Alfaisal is planning to offer, Moreover, BOEING and College of Medicine will discuss the ways they can contribute in promoting public health in society. Both parties at this point need to communicate to agree on the details and specifications. BOEING will help Alfaisal in the ABET and AACSB Accreditation process for existing programs through both the selfassessment and external-assessment phases. Alfaisal can also be the BOEING education center in the region. The former can host and organize professional development activities offered by the Company that is open for the public or intended for specific organizations in a way that covers the cost and provides free seats for individuals from both sides.

#### 2.7.5. KFSHRC

Training in medical research laboratories is an essential part in the development of undergraduate students who will eventually become medical doctors. This unique exercise gives the student an appreciation of the day to day routine as well as the rigors of laboratory work. They are also exposed to researchers who are at the fore front in their fields in the search for finding better methods for treating as well as preventing diseases.

In July 2009, four Alfaisal medical students were selected and spent four weeks at the King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center (KFSHRC) in a Stem Cell Therapy Laboratory under the leadership of Dr. Chaker Adra, Director of the program. When asked about the Alfaisal students Dr. Chaker said that "it was a pleasure having the students in our laboratory. They are intelligent and diligent. Mr. Nassan and Mr. Adi investigated the stem cell therapy approach in treating spinal cord injuries. Mr. Abouuammoh contributed to our work on stem cell therapy in peripheral arterial disease. Mr. Anindo explored the stem cell therapy approach in treating cancer, and Mr. Matthbout utilized stem cell therapy methods in treating neurodegenerative diseases". Ms. Huda Al-Mosallam, the Manager of the Training & Education Office, said that "next year we will try to select a larger number of Alfaisal students by possibly having some students training in the wintertime and provided that we have a longer lead in time". KFSHRC is one of the co-founders of Alfaisal University. Both partners are committed to collaborate in the areas of training and research.

# 2.7.6. KACST- Natural Resources & Environmental Research Institute

In an effort to enhance research collaboration between KACST-NRERI (Natural Resources & Environmental Research Institute) and Alfaisal

University, a successful monthly seminar series was held with the venue alternating between the two institutions (Table 8). Speakers alternated between Alfaisal University Faculty and NRERI Research Staff. Faculty and staff started to interact on specific research projects and proposals. Next year it is planned to further improve the interaction by the creation of focus groups in strategic research areas of interest to both parties.

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Table 8. KACST-NRERI/Alfaisal University Sem Ser Schedule for AY 2009-10

DATE/VENUE	TITLE	SPEAKER
27 Oct/09 (1:00PM) KACST (NRERI)	Transcriptional Factors as Therapeutic Targets	Alexander Kouzmenko Prof Biology, CoM Alfaisal University
17 Nov/09 (11:00AM) Alfaisal University	Science & Technology Strategic Plan for Biotechnology	Dr. Abdulaziz M. Al- Swailem, Director Natural Resources & Environment Research Institute
29 Dec/09 (11:00AM) KACST (NRERI)	Renal function in normal pregnancy	Ali Al Khraibi Prof of Physiology College Medicine
23 Feb/10 (11:00AM) KACST (NRERI)	Novel use of x-rays to track & treat cancer	Bernhard H.J. Juurlink Prof Anatomy & Cell biology, CoM Alfaisal University
30 March/10 (11:00AM) Alfaisal University	Drug Delivery to CNS Tumors, Gene Expression Models for CNS Tumors/Diseases	Dr. Ali Al-Shanqeeti, MD Oncology
27 April/10 (11:00AM) KACST (NRERI)	Stress and Heart Disease: Involvement of Brain Neuropeptides	Paul Ganguly Prof Anatomy, CoM, Alfaisal University
25 May/10 (11:00AM) Alfaisal University	Establishing a Transgenic Animal Biopharmaceutical Centre at KACST	Dr. Mohammad Al-Fageeh Biochemistry

# 2.8. Updating the Office of Research & Graduate Studies Website

As part of our efforts to provide better service to faculty, staff, students and the general public, the Office of Research & Graduate Studies website is in the process of being redesigned and updated (Figure 10)



**Figure 10.** Proposed format for new website design for Office of Research & Graduate Studies

## 2.9. News & Events

A total of 32 research related news and events articles were published on the Alfaisal web site over the past two years. Items covered included lectures, seminars and workshops

- Translational Research: Why It Matters >>> Read More
- College of Engineering Faculty Member Discusses Role of Surface Coatings in Engineering Designs >>> Read More
- Alfaisal University's Students Participate in Research Day Student Poster Competition >>> <u>Read More</u>
- Lessons Learned from the Heart: Biological Explanation for the Adaptive Response "Memory" against Stress and Disease>>> Read More
- Alfaisal University Researcher Speaks at KACST Natural Resources & Environmental Research Institute on Renal Function in Normal Pregnancy.....
   >>> Read More
- Saudi Expert Discusses the Diabetes Epidemic in the Arabian Gulf States. >>> Read More
- College of Medicine Investigator Talks About How Certain Plant-Derived Chemicals in Our Diet Can Decrease Aging Related Diseases..... >>> <u>Read</u> More
- KACST Specialist Discusses the Kingdom's Science & Technology Strategic Plan for Biotechnology. >>> Read More
- SABIC Global Technology & Innovation..... >>> Read More
- College of Science Specialist in Molecular Biology Gives Talk at KACST-Natural Resources & Environment Research Institute on "Transcriptional Factors as Therapeutic Targets"..... >>> Read More
- Mitochondrial Dynamics & Reactive Oxygen Species in Diabetes..... >>> Read More
- Satellite Technology and Applications..... >>> <u>Read More</u>
- Memorandum of Understanding between Alfaisal University and Fraport Saudi Arabia..... >>> <u>Read More</u>
- Stem Cell Therapy Program at KFSHRC Hosts Alfaisal Medical Students for Summer Training .......<u>Details</u>
- Student Summer Research Exchange Program ..... >>> Read More
- Alfaisal Medical Student Receives Letter of Appreciation from Prominent Medical Physiology Book Author. <u>Read More</u>
- Beam me up Scotty: Growing crystals and spectroscopic ellipsometry.. >>> Read More
- Maintaining & Developing Our Intellectual Capital for Future Growth..... >>> Read More

- Workshop on Student Participation in Research.... >>> Read More
- Alfaisal University Medical Student Letter Published in Journal of Clinical Anatomy.... >>> <u>Read More</u>
- Colloid-Based Separations.... >>> Read More
- The Role of Incubator in Technology Commercialization..... >>> Read More
- Sustainable Development and Water Harvesting..... >>> Read More
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- King Faisal International Prize Medicine Lecture by Prof. Ronald Levy.....
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- Romanticism, the Familiar Essay, and the Rise of Consumerism..... >>> Read More
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## 3. Graduate Studies

## 3.1. Graduate Programs

At the graduate level, a total of 5 programs have been proposed at both the master's and doctoral levels. The proposed programs, which are in various stages of MOHE (Ministry of Higher Education) approval (Table 9), include EMBA (Executive Masters of Business Administration, MSc &PhD in Biomedical Sciences, MSc in Genetic Counseling, MSc in Radiological & Imaging Sciences, and MSc &PhD in Energy & Environmental Engineering. It is hoped that several of these programs will be approved and running shortly.

Table 9. Graduate Programs Submitted in 2009-2010

Program	Status
EMBA (Executive Masters of Business Administration)	Final stages of MoHE approval
MSc &PhD in Biomedical Sciences	Review by MoHE
MSc in Genetic Counseling	Review by UCU then to MoHE
MSc in Radiological & Imaging Sciences	Review by UCU then to MoHE
MSc &PhD in Energy & Environmental Engineering	Needs BOT approval, then to UCU & MoHE

## 3.2. Graduate Policies & Procedures

The Office of Research & Graduate Studies (ORG) has prepared a Graduate Policies and Procedures document for students, faculty and staff to help define their responsibilities and to explain the policies and procedures that govern graduate study at Alfaisal University. The document was based in part on the *Guide to Graduate Policy* at the University of California, Berkeley. In the near future, the Office website may also be consulted for graduate information, including deadlines and policies for admissions, scholarships and degrees. The table of contents from the document is reproduced in Table 10.

As the administrative arm of the University Council, the Office of Research & Graduate Studies monitors the progress of students enrolled in different graduate degree programs, from the time they are admitted to Alfaisal University until they complete their degrees.

The document also describes the admission cycle and the policies that govern the application, applicant evaluation, and admission of new graduate students. Students may apply for admissions to master's and doctoral programs at Alfaisal University from any other university both within and from outside Saudi Arabia. The Office of Research & Graduate Studies (ORG) sets the minimum application requirements and has the ultimate authority to approve or deny graduate admission.

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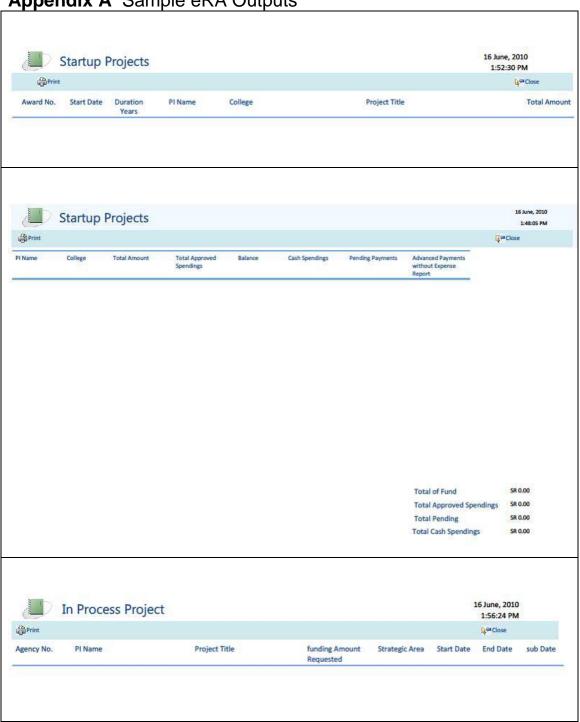
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Appendix A Sample eRA Outputs



#### **Appendix B** List of Publications

#### **Refereed Journal Papers**

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AlKattan, K. 2010. Chair, Scientific Session 1: 'Upper GI / Thoracic Surgery' 1<sup>st</sup> Saudi Surgical Research and Resident's Day, Four Seasons Hotel, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 04 February.

Al Mahmoud, A. F., Abuzaid, A. M., Abbrar, M. S., Nurhussen, A., Al Amoudi, A. and Rajab, H. 2010. Impact of the Early Islamic Era on Medical Accountability. The 7<sup>th</sup>. Scientific Conference for Medical Students in the GCC Countries. Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, February 13-16.

Ganguly, P. 2010. 'Cardiovascular Research-Middle East Experience'St Boniface General Hospital Seminar Series, April 19.

Ganguly, P. 2010. Invited to give three lectures in neuroscience at King Faisal Specialty Hospital and Research Centre, February.

Juurlink, B.H.J. 2010. Clinical research/basic research; bridging the divide. Department of Cardiology, King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre, Jeddah, KSA, June 23, 2010.

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2010. Seminar at KACST (March 2) entitled "Novel use of x- rays to track and treat cancers".

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2010. Hippocrates, 2010. 'Dictum and The Clash Between Public Good and Private Good as well as the Clash Between Individual Risk and Societal Benefit'. Third European conference Scientific Publishing in Biomedicine and Medicine. Leiden, the Netherlands, May 27-29.

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2010. 'X-irradiation results in ultraviolet light generation: Possible explanation of x-ray bystander effect?' International Conference on Radiation Medicine: Clinical Applications and Innovative Approaches. March 1-4, King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Centre Riyadh, KSA.

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2010. 'Can the bystander effect be explained by UV light given off by tissues following x-irradiation?' Conjoint Meetings of Biology and Synchrotron Radiation (BSR) and Medical Applications of Synchrotron Research (MASR). February 15-18, Melbourne, Australia.

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2010. 'Fumbling Towards Ecstacy' presented at the CHESS Interactions Conference organized by the University of Leicester, University of Saskatchewan and Växjö University held August 17-21, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada.

#### 2009

AlKattan, K. 2009. Research Advisory Council, Co-Investigators, 'Advances in Non-Small Cell Cancer, Multi Centric European Study with King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Centre, 2009.

AlKattan, K. 2009. Broncho-Plueral Fistula, Advances in Thoracic, Surgery, 'Advances in Thoracic Surgery', Bromton Hospital – London, UK, 05 – 06 November.

AlKattan, K. 2009. Speaker, Medical Education Club, Lecture: 'Student Centered Education' Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 05 May.

AlKattan, K. 2009. Speaker, 2nd International Conference Clinical Oncology, 'Update Lung Cancer Staging' Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 02 – 04 May.

AlKattan, K. 2009. Speaker, 3<sup>rd</sup> RMH Symposium Update in Surgery, 'Surgery for Active TB' 28 – 30 March, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Al Kattan, K. 2009. Speaker, 51<sup>st</sup> International Egyptian Society of Chest Diseases and TB, 'Role of Surgery in TB'. 24 – 27 March, Cairo, Egypt

Al Kattan, K. 2009. Chairman, 7<sup>th</sup> Saudi Thoracic Society, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 17 – 19 March.

Al Kattan, K. 2009. Advances in Non-Small Cell Cancer, Multi Centric European Study, King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Centre.

Al Kattan, K. 2009. Clinical Use of Combined PET/CT in Recurrence of Thymoma, Society of Thoracic Surgery, San Francisco, California, USA, 26 – 28 January.

Erlangga, Y.A., 2009. Algebraic multilevel Krylov methods, Pacific Northwest Numerical Analysis Seminar, Vancouver, September 26

Ganguly, P. 2009. 'The auditory pathway (structure and function)', Monday November 16, at New training Centre, KFSH&RC.

Ganguly, P. 2009. 'The visual Pathway (structure and function)'Wednesday November 18, at New training centre, KFSHR.

Ganguly, 2009. 'Practical (Lab activities)' Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup>, KFSH&RC/Alfaisal University.

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2009. 'Dietary Phase 2 Protein Inducers (P2PIs) To Ameliorate Aging-Related Disease' presented at the Third International Conference on Disability Research held March 22-26, Riyadh, KSA.

Juurlink, B. H. J. 2009. Seminar at Alfaisal University (December 9) entitled "Rage, rage, against the dying of the light".

Khraibi, A. 2009. 'Renal Function in Normal Pregnancy'. KACST-Natural Resources & Environmental Research Institute (NRERI) / Alfaisal University Seminar Series. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, December 29.

Khraibi, A. 2009. 'Initiation and Nerve Conduction of Impulses, and Transmission of Impulses Across Junctions'. King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Center, Training and Development Center – Neurophysiology Technology Program October 31-November 2. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

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Yu, T. 2009. 'Mitochondrial dynamics and reactive oxygen species during diabetes'. May 6, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, USA.

Yu, T. 2009. CABA 2009 'Medical Device & Diagnostics Symposium'. December 5. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, MA, USA.

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Erlangga, Y.A, 2008. Multilevel Krylov-Multigrid Method for the 2D Indefinite Helmholtz Equation, Householder Meeting XVII, Zeuthen, Berlin, June 1-6

#### Conferences/Symposia/Workshops Attended

#### 2010

Khraibi, A. 2010. 7<sup>th</sup>. Scientific Conference for Medical Students in the GCC Countries. Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, February 13-16.

AlKattan, K. 2010. 5<sup>th</sup> Annual General Surgery Conference, King Khalid University Hospital, 06 – 08 February.

#### 2009

Al-Kattan, W. 2009. Macy Program, Diploma Program for Educators and Health Care Professionals, Harvard Macy Institute, Boston, USA, January.

Butler, T. 2009. 14<sup>th</sup>. World Diabetes Day. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, November 12.

Ganguly, P. 2009. 4<sup>th</sup>. World Diabetes Day. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, November 12.

Juurlink, B. 2009. 14<sup>th</sup>. World Diabetes Day. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, November 12.

Khraibi, A. 2009. 14<sup>th</sup>. World Diabetes Day. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, November 12.

Rajab, M. H. 2009. 14<sup>th</sup>. World Diabetes Day. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, November 12.

Swazo, N.K. 2009. Ethical and Policy Issues at the Cutting Edge of Stem Cell Science, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine and Harvard Stem Cell Institute, 15-19 June.

Yu, T. 2009. 14<sup>th</sup>. World Diabetes Day. Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, November 12.

## 2008

Swazo, N.K. 2008. First Meeting of the Eastern Mediterranean and Arab Forum on Bioethics in Research. Cairo Egypt, 12-14 August.

## **Technical Reports**