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Happy New Year!

2020 will be an exciting year here at the INIM! It is full steam ahead on a number of our research studies!

Stay tuned for special announcements in the upcoming months - We have an exciting event for our Gulf War Veterans on February 28th, more info can be viewed on page four.



Farewell & Well Wishes

After more than 40 years of devoted service, Dr. Mary Ann Fletcher will retire from the Institute for Neuro-Immune Medicine this month. We will miss her dearly!

Dr. Fletcher and Dr. Klimas published their first ME/CFS paper in the 80's. We thank Dr. Fletcher for all her advances for the knowledge and understanding of chronic complex illnesses that effect so many.



INIM in the News

On December 19th, 2019, the INIM had an article published in Connecting Vets about our CMI/GWI Survey Study, Gulf War Illness researchers could be on track for a cure, but they need veterans' help.

Connecting Vets is a platform that inspires veterans, and prepares them for their next mission, one story at a time.

Click on the image to check out the story and please share it with your friends and family! We have the science and the funding down, all we need is the participation of Gulf War Veterans. Our CMI/GWI Survey Study tool is a stepping stone in further assisting us in gathering information about participants health, service, exposures and medical symptoms. This secure and confidential database of participants will allow us to contact those who want to participant in research opportunities, both locally and nationally, while, also, reporting research findings and upcoming events.

To participate in our CMI/GWI online study, click here:



Gulf War Illness researchers could be on track for a cure, but they need veterans' help

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PUBLICATIONS

- Post-exertional malaise is associated with greater symptom burden and psychological distress in patients diagnosed with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
 - *May, Milrad SF, Perdomo DM, Czaja SJ, Fletcher MA, Jutagir DR, Hall DL, Klimas N, Antoni MH*
- Combination therapies enhance immunoregulatory properties of MIAMI cells
 - *Rossi F, Noren H, Sarria L, Schiller PC, Nathanson L, Beljanski V.*
- Immunomodulatory effects of interferon- γ on human fetal cardiac mesenchymal stromal cells.
 - *Grinnemo KH, Löfling M, Nathanson L, Baumgartner R, Ketelhuth DFJ, Beljanski V, Davies LC, Österholm C.*

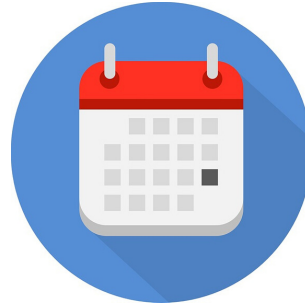
INIM OUT & ABOUT

- Jan. 18 - 20, 2020: **The 13th Swiss Biennial on Science, Technics & Aesthetics - The Mystery of Consciousness**
 - **Dr. Travis Craddock** will be presenting *The Biophysics of Consciousness: A Foundational Approach*, discussing the existence of superradiant excitonic states in microtubules. Also, he will be sitting on a Panel Discussion - *Reality Is Not As It Seems*. More information is available on their website.



*Lectures & Panel Discussion will be available for viewing after the conference.

INIM EVENT ALERT:



- February 28, 2020: **The 2020 SHIELD Conference**
 - We will be hosting the 2020 Sustained Homeostatic Imbalance due to Environmental-exposure Linked to Deployment (SHIELD) Conference open to all Gulf War Veterans. The conference offers event goers to: learn about Gulf War illness, connect with fellow Gulf War Veterans and learn about life-changing research that is helping Veterans. There will be a special Guest Panel of Operation Desert Storm/Desert Shield Patient Advocates!
 - RSVP here:



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