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BCM Honors

- 2012 Fulbright & Jaworski LLP Faculty Excellence Award for Educational Leadership
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Journal Publications

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12. Hannon PM, Kuo SH, Strutt AM, York MK, Kass JS. Improvement of neurological symptoms and memory and emotional status in a case of seronegative Sneddon syndrome with cyclophosphamide. Clin Neurol Neurosurg. 2010;112(6):544-7. [View journal article]
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14. Kass JS, Chiou-Tan FY, Harrell JS, Zhang H, Taber KH. Sectional neuroanatomy of the pelvic floor. J Comput Assist Tomogr. 2010;34(3):473-7. [View journal article]
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16. Friedman DE, Kung DH, Laowattana S, Kass JS, Hrachovy RA, Levin HS. Identifying depression in epilepsy in a busy clinical setting is enhanced with systematic screening. Seizure. 2009;18(6):429-33. [View journal article]
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