Annual Report July 1, 1992 - June 30, 1993 Department of Epidemiology

I. DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION.

Support Staff

(as of June 30, 1993)

Administrative Staff

Gail King
Joyce Allen
Nancy Colvin
Carolyn Cooke
Stephanie Miller
Crystal Burnett
Amy Webb
Phyllis Johnson
Lesa McPherson

Administrative Manager Registrar Assistant Registrar Fiscal Manager Accounting Technician Accounting Technician Accounting Technician Administrative Assistant

Administrative Assistant

Secretarial Staff

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Lorraine Alexander Marilyn Knowles Catherine Paton Susanne Wolf Darrah Degnan Jadis Robinson Charylmayne Alston Research Associate Social Research Assistant Social Research Assistant Research Associate Social Research Associate Social Research Assistant Social Research Assistant

Data Processing Staff

Terry Hudgins Robert Kleckner Veda Manley Vic Rhodes Joy Wood Eileen Gregory Richard Howard Joanna Smith Stephanie Watkins Debra Weiner Applications Analyst Programmer Applications Analyst Programmer Data Processing Coordinator Applications Analyst Programmer Applications Programmer Applications Programmer Applications Analyst Programmer Applications Programmer Applications Programmer Statistician

Employee Terminations

Larry De Matas, Applications Programmer, Layoff Carol Janney, Statistician, Resignation Baldev Krishan, Social Research Assistant, Resignation Eloise Parrish, Research Technician, Resignation Joan Shields, Research Technician, Layoff

II. Faculty and Students

A. <u>List of Faculty</u> [* indicates primary of multiple academic appointments]

1. Full-Time Faculty

Ralph S. Baric, Assistant Professor

Kathleen Conway, Research Assistant Professor

*Primary dpt.?

Hilton Goulson, Professor

J. Ed Hall, Associate Professor

Gerardo Heiss, Professor

Irva Hertz-Picciotto, Assistant Professor

Barbara S. Hulka, *Kenan Professor & Chair, Epidemiology

Clinical Professor, Family Medicine

Adjunct Professor of Community and Family

Medicine, Duke University Medical Center

Michel A. Ibrahim, DEAN, School of Public Health

*Professor, Epidemiology

Professor, Social and Administrative Medicine

Berton H. Kaplan, Professor

Lenore Kohlmeier, Professor

*Professor, Nutrition

Lester Lee, Research Assistant Professor

Edison Liu, Associate Professor

*Associate Professor, Medicine

Dana Loomis, Research Assistant Professor

Beth Newman, Assistant Professor

Jennifer Ratcliffe, Research Associate Professor

Wayne Rosamond, Assistant Professor

Rachel Royce, Assistant Professor

David A. Savitz, Associate Professor

Victor J. Schoenbach, Associate Professor

J. Richard Seed, Professor

Cecil G. Sheps (Emeritus), Professor, Epidemiology

*Professor, Social and Administrative Medicine

Carl M. Shy, *Professor, Epidemiology

Professor, Environmental Sciences and Engineering

Clinical Professor, Family Medicine

Lola Stamm, Assistant Professor

James Thomas, Assistant Professor

Herman A. Tyroler, Alumni Distinguished Professor

Marilyn Vine, Research Assistant Professor

David Weber, *Assistant Professor, Medicine

Assistant Professor, Epidemiology

Kristen Weigle, Assistant Professor

Steven B. Wing, Research Assistant Professor

2. Part-Time Faculty

Christine Moe, Research Assistant Professor

- 3. Visiting Faculty
 Kyle Steenland
 Bruce Duncan
- 4. Adjunct and Fixed-Term Joint Appointments Timothy Aldrich, Adjunct Assistant Professor Naomar Almeida-Filho, Adjunct Associate Professor Dragna Andjelkovich, Adjunct Associate Professor Elizabeth Andrews, Adjunct Assistant Professor Michael H. Arrighi, Adjunct Assistant Professor Donna Baird, Adjunct Assistant Professor John Barefoot, Adjunct Associate Professor James C. Barrett, Adjunct Professor James Beck, Adjunct Assistant Professor Richard A. Berzon, Adjunct Assistant Professor Dan German Blazer, Adjunct Professor Brian A. Boehlecke, Clinical Associate Professor Jeffrey A. Boyd, Adjunct Assistant Professor W. Eugene Broadhead, Adjunct Assistant Professor James Trig Brown, Adjunct Assistant Professor Timothy S. Carey, Clinical Associate Professor *Associate Professor, Medicine Douglas S. Campbell, Adjunct Assistant Professor Dennis A. Clements, III, Adjunct Assistant Professor Thomas Cole, Adjunct Assistant Professor Joan Cornoni-Huntley, Adjunct Professor John R. Crouse, Adjunct Associate Professor Clin. Professor, Medicine and Family Medicine *Adjunct Prof., Social and Administrative Medicine Frank Crout, Adjunct Assistant Professor Deborah Dawson, Adjunct Assisant Professor Gordon H. DeFriese, Clinical Professor, Epidemiology *Professor, Social and Administrative Medicine Richard B. Everson, Adjunct Professor Robert Fletcher, Clinical Professor Judith A. Fortney, Adjunct Associate Professor Jean French, Adjunct Professor Joanne Garrett, Adjunct Research Instructor Peter Garrett, Adjunct Assistant Professor Richard C. Graves, Research Associate Professor Raymond S. Greenberg, Adjunct Associate Professor Jack Griffith, Adjunct Professor Harry A. Guess, Adjunct Professor Curtis G. Hames, Clinical Professor Russell P. Harris, Adjunct Assistant Professor *Research Assistant Professor, Medicine Carl G. Hayes, Adjunct Professor Siegfried H. Heyden, Adjunct Professor Michael Hogan, Adjunct Associate Professor Ronald J. Hunt, Clinical Professor *Professor, Dental Ecology Nancy Hunter, Adjunct Assistant Professor Debra E. Irwin, Adjunct Assistant Professor Sherman James, Adjunct Professor Eric S. Johnson, Adjunct Assistant Professor Lorraine Johnson, Adjunct Assistant Professor Ulrich Keil, Adjunct Professor

Suzanne Landis, *Adjunct Assistant Professor Clinical Assistant Professor, Medicine Eugene J. Lengerich, Adjunct Assistant Professor Richard J. Levine, Adjunct Associate Professor Ruth E. Little, Adjunct Professor J. Newton MacCormack, Adjunct Associate Professor Peter Margolis, Clinical Assistant Professor Margaret F. McCann, Adjunct Assistant Professor William F. McDonnell, Adjunct Associate Professor Melinda S. Meade, Adjunct Professor, Epidemiology *Professor, Geography Wilbur Milhous, Adjunct Associate Professor Dexter Morris, Adjunct Assistant Professor Azmi A. Nabulsi, Adjunct Assistant Professor George R. Parkerson, Adjunct Associate Professor Miquel Porta, Adjunct Associate Professor David F. Ransohoff, Clinical Professor Walter J. Rogan, Adjunct Associate Professor Michael J. Rosenberg, Adjunct Associate Professor Carol Runyan, Adjunct Associate Professor Desmond K. Runyan, Clinical Assistant Professor Gregory Samsa, Adjunct Assistant Professor Dale Sandler, Adjunct Associate Professor Robert S. Sandler, Clinical Associate Professor Epidemiology *Associate Professor, Medicine Joellen M. Schildkraut, Adjunct Assistant Professor David Sheps, Clinical Professor llene C. Siegler, Adjunct Associate Professor Philip Sloane, Clinical Associate Professor David C. Sokal, Adjunct Assistant Professor C. Gregory Smith, Adjunct Assistant Professor John Stamm, Adjunct Professor *Professor and Dean, Dentisry Paul E. Stang, Adjunct Assistant Professor David Strogatz, Adjunct Assistant Professor Michael R. Swift, Clinical Professor, Epidemiology *Professor, Medicine Patricia Tennis, Adjunct Assistant Professor Hugh H. Tilson, Adjunct Professor James F. Toole, Adjunct Professor Christine Uhlinger, Adjunct Assistant Professor Edward H. Wagner, Clinical Professor Hetty Waskin, Adjunct Assistant Professor Jane Weintraub, Adjunct Associate Professor Alice White, Adjunct Assistant Professor Allen J. Wilcox, Adjunct Professor Mark E. Williams, Clinical Associate Professor, Epidemiology *Associate Professor, Medicine Redford Williams, Adjunct Professor

B. Changes During the Year.

1. Additions,

- Dr. Edison Liu, Assistant Professor, with a primary appointment in the Department of Medicine
- Dr. Lester Lee, Research Assistant Professor
- Dr. Christine Moe, Research Assistant Professor

Bonnie C. Yankaskas, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Dr. Kathleen Conway, Research Assistant Professor

- 2. <u>Promotions</u>, effective 1991/92 None
- 3. Changes in Rank:

Barbara S. Hulka, M.D. stepped down as Chair of the department

4. Leaves:

Dr. Steven B. Wing

5. <u>Losses</u>: Resignations

Dave Kleinbaum, Professor

Losses: Retirement None

C. Honors

Faculty Honors

Dr. Gerardo Heiss received the School of Public Health's Greenberg Excellence in Teaching Award.

Staff Honors

Dr. Lorraine Alexander has been awarded the most meritorious American Heart Association, North Carolina Affiliate postdoctoral fellowship. This is a two year funded project.

Student Honors

Sara Ephross received the Sidney Kark Award for Distinguished Teaching Assistance.

Jeffrey Sonis joined a medical team from the independent monitoring organization Physicians for Human Rights.

Delta Omega Book Award: Myra Tucker

Delta Omega Service Award: Holly Hill

Delta Omega Membership: Michael Arrighi, Sara Ephross, Holly Hill

III. Instructional Programs

Program Changes

There are no major changes in the courses or curricula. There are no new programs or deleted programs.

Learning Objectives

The dimensions in the training of an epidemiologists has eight contributing parts and they are as follows:

Epidemiologic Perspective: This has two aspects, professional and scientific. The Professional aspects is the history of epidemiology, epidemiology as a public health science, slinical and public policy implications. The Scientific aspect is the problem conceptualization, philosophy of inference, study designs, interpretation of data, concepts of bias and multicausality.

Measurement and Analysis: Measures of disease frequency and extent, study designs and strategies, control of sources of error, statistical inference, data analysis and interpretation.

Weighing Epidemiologic Evidence: Critical reading and synthesizing of information.

Proposal Development: Specification of research hypotheses, study populations, measurement tools, analysis strategies; human subjects; "grantsmanship".

Study Design and Execution: Protocol development, subject recruitment, instrumentation, data collection, quality control, reporting and communications collaboration and working iwth oversight bodies, presentation of findings.

Data Processing: Manipulation and analysis of data using computers and statistical software packages.

Substantive Knowledge: General background in health-related sciences and multidisciplinary understanding of specific areas of research.

Practice of Epidemiology: Development of skills for teaching, consultation, review of proposals and manuscripts, participation in professional meetings, leadership of multidisciplinary research teams, and continuing professional development.

Field Training

Field training experience in Epidemiology is not handled through the method of placement with an agency or institution. Students enter the program with satisfactory research experience and/or work individually with faculty or adjuncts in ongoing research projects.

IV. RESEARCH PROGRAMS

Grant Awards

Cardiovascular Epidemiology Training Grant, PI: **Gerardo Heiss**, National Institutes of Health. \$242,013.

Community Structure and Cardiovascular Mortality Trends, PI: Steven Wing, National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, \$416,038.

Coronavirus-induced myocarditis and dilated cardiomyopathy, PI: Ralph Baric, American Heart Association, \$108,000.

Dose-Response Assessment Issue in Occupational Studies, PI: Irva Hertz-Picciotto, NIOSH, \$13,400.

Epidemiologic Study of Utility Workers Exposed to Electric and Magnetic Fields, PI: David Savitz, EPRI, Inc., \$5,567,000.

Epidemiology of Pregnancy Outcome in a Textile Community, PI: David Savitz NICHD, \$452,377.

Family and Genetic Studies in Cardiovascular Diseases, PI: Gerardo Heiss, National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, \$2,308,504.

Fulbright Scholars Award, Pl: Rachel Royce, Council for International Exchange of Scholars.

Genetic Susceptibility and Dietary Factors in the Etiology of Ovarian Cancer, PI: Barbara Hulka AIRC, \$89,676.

Genetic Susceptibility and Dietary Factors in Ovarian Dysfunction: Galactose Consumption and Metabolism, PI: David Savitz, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, \$30,618.

Health and Mortality Studies of Department of Energy Contract Facility Employees, PI: Carl Shy, Department of Energy, \$216,212.

High Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol and Breast Cancer, Pl. Barbara Hulka, National Cancer Institute, \$49,989.

Interdisciplinary Studies of Leishmaniasis, PI: **Kristen Weigle**, National Institutes of Health, \$46,854.

Mercury and Reproductive Health in Women Dentists, PI: David Savitz National Institute of Dental Research, \$34,245.

Parental Occupation and Pregnancy Outcome: Analysis of the National Maternal and Infant Health Survey, PI: David Savitz, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, \$34,245.

Paternal Occupation and Risk of Birth Defects in Offspring, PI: Andrew Olshan, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, \$30,000.

Phenoxy Herbicides and Spontaneous Abortions in Ontario, PI: David Savitz, NIEHS, \$182,571.

Postprandial Lipoproteins and Atherosclerosis, PI: Gerardo Heiss, National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, \$10,778,850.

Predictors of Coronary Disease in Blacks, Medical University of South Carolina, PI: Herman Tyroler National Institutes of Health, \$185,749.

Rare HA-RAS Alleles and Breast Cancer, PI: Barbara Hulka, National Cancer Institute, \$141,687.

Red Blood Cells and Hemoglobin Adducts, PI: Marilyn Vine, American Cancer Society, \$66.098.

Research to Advance Environmental Epidemiology, PI: Barbara Hulka, Environmental Protection Agency, \$3,347,670.

Respiratory Effects of Waste Incinerators, PI: Carl Shy, Center for Disease Control/ATSDR, \$1,660,378.

Studies into the mechanism of MHV replication, PI: Ralph Baric National Institutes of Health, \$895,500.

Studies into the mechanism for mefloquine resistance in plasmodium falciparum in vitro, Pl: Ralph Baric, North Carolina Biotechnology Center, \$40,000.

Study of Multiple Myeloma Among Workers Exposed to Ionizing Radiation and Other Physical and Chemical Agents, PI: Steve Wing, Centers for Disease Control.

Timing of Tumor Surgery during the Menstrual Cycle & Survival Among Pre-Menopausal Breast Cancer Patients, PI: Barbara Hulka, Cancer Research Foundation of America, \$35,000.

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TABLE 8 FACULTY CHANGES BY DEPARTMENT** 1992-93

Department/Curriculum	Additions	Promotions Leaves	Leaves	Resignations	Retirements	<u>Deaths</u>
Health Policy and Administration						
Biostatistics						
Environmental Sciences and Engineering	:					
Epidemiology	7	0			0	0
Health Behavior and Health Education						
Maternal and Child Health						
Public Health Nursing						
Nutrition						
TOTAL						

*Full-time faculty only. See individual departments for rank and specialization.

TABLE 10
PUBLICATIONS OF FACULTY BY DEPARTMENT 1992-93

Department/Curriculum	No. Faculty	No. Publishing	No. Publications
Health Policy and Administration			
Biostatistics	34.		
Environmental Sciences and Engineering			
Epidemiology	39	70	64
Health Behavior and Health Education			
Maternal and Child Health			
Public Health Nursing			
Nutrition			
TOTAL			

DEPARTMEN, OF EPIDEMIOLOGY

CHAIRPERSON Barbara S. Hulka, M.D.