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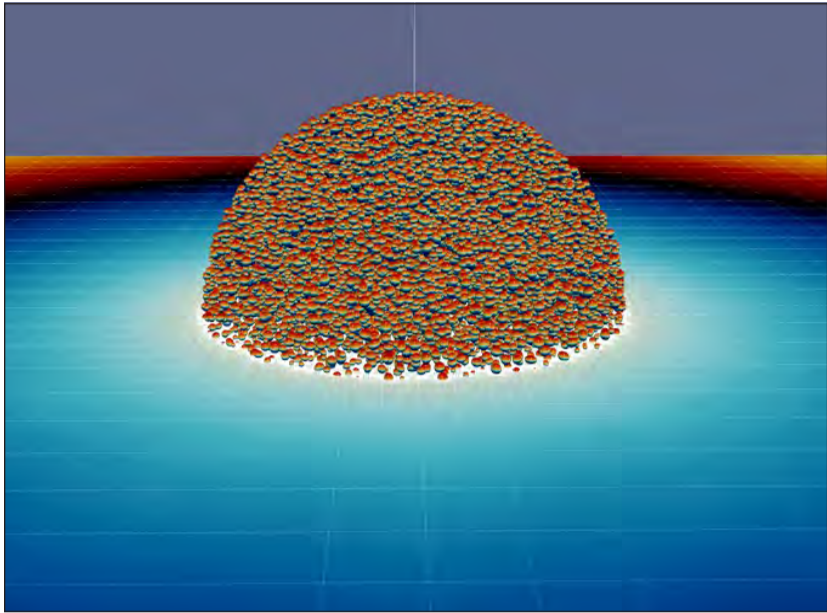
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Army research may be used to treat cancer, heal combat wounds



Combat Capabilities Development Command's Army Research Laboratory Public Affairs

Army research is the first to develop computational models using a microbiology procedure that may be used to improve novel cancer treatments and treat combat wounds.

Using the technique known as electroporation, an electrical field is applied to cells in order to increase the permeability of the cell membrane, allowing chemicals, drugs or DNA to be introduced into the cell. For example, electro-chemotherapy is a cutting-edge cancer treatment that uses electroporation as a means to deliver chemotherapy into cancerous cells.

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New Army research developed a computational approach for parallel simulations that models the complex bioelectrical interaction at the tissue scale. In this figure cells are colored according to their transmembrane potential. (Illustration by Advanced Computing Center, The University of Texas at Austin)

Housing executives, Army leaders discuss plan of action

Kimberly Hanson

Three major actions must happen to course correct the state of Army housing, said the four-star general officer responsible for Installation Management during a forum with the presidents of the Residential Community Initiative companies, April 26.

During an RCI CEO roundtable at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, to address widespread reports of deficient housing conditions, Army Materiel Command commander, Gen. Gus Perna, told the seven executives responsible for privatized housing across the Army to maintain focus on Soldiers and Families through the phases.

"The bottom line is that we must win back the trust of our residents," Perna said. "It is about action, not words."

First, the current focus and response to the issues must continue, including timely completion of work orders, proper quality control measures to ensure standards are met, quarterly town halls to keep residents informed and additional oversight and involvement by garrison commanders, said Perna.

"The metric is not about quantity - how many work orders are completed or how much we have done," he said. "It is about quality and our response to the very real and serious issues being reported. Our Soldiers and Families need to know we are taking care of them."



Army leaders ask a military family to respond to a survey as part of an Army-wide effort to resolve inadequate housing on installations. Army senior leaders introduced an action plan that outlines steps to remedy military housing issues to the Senate Armed Services Committee on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., March 7. (Photo by Dawn M. Arden)

Second, the Army and the partners must improve communication and rebuild confidence with Soldiers and Families. Educating residents on the resources available to them is critical, said Perna.

In addition to Army hotlines established at each installation to report housing issues, each RCI partner has developed a mobile app intended to improve communication flow. Training for Army leaders who manage installations is also now a requirement.

"Previously, many garrison commanders didn't see RCI oversight as one of their key responsibilities," said Lt. Gen. Brad Becker, commander of Installation Management Command.

IMCOM has since instituted a 90-minute block of training for all incoming garrison commanders and rolled out training for all current garrison commanders focused on their housing responsibilities, Becker said.

IMCOM is also focused on educating residents about the resources available to them within the Army Housing Offices on each installation, Becker said, which many families don't realize are unaffiliated with the RCI Housing Offices. Army Housing Offices exist to support all military Families, and can be advocates or support to those who are having issues in their homes.

Third, long-term planning to prevent a recurrence and maintain momentum is critical, said Perna. To this end, discussion topics ranged from five-year development plans to improvements in the move-in and move-out process ahead of the summer surge.

A common theme across the table was that success will require a strong partnership between the Army and RCI leaders.

"Both of us need to be held accountable to our roles and responsibilities," Perna said.

The forum was the first in what will become a regular meeting between Perna and the housing partner executives.

Big changes coming to the future of Army history

Sean Kimmons
Army News Service

Army," said Charles Bowery Jr., the center's director.

There are currently no plans to physically relocate or eliminate the center's 250 employees due to the realignment, he added.

The Institute of Heraldry, a CMH directorate for the past three years, however, will remain at the Department of the Army headquarters level under the Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army.

Other key changes will mainly occur behind the scenes, such as new procedures for reporting and administrative support, funding and lines of accounting, and new rating officials for GS-15 and above employees.

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The Army Center of Military History realigned under Army Training and Doctrine Command on May 1 to better promote history at schoolhouses across the force, officials recently announced.

The center's mission will remain the same, and its activities will continue at Fort Belvoir, Virginia; and Fort McNair in Washington, D.C.

Under TRADOC, a four-star command, the center will have further access to inspire and educate Soldiers from trainees in basic combat training to officers at staff colleges.

"It allows us to much more effectively do what we do on behalf of the



The Army Center of Military History realigned under Army Training and Doctrine Command on May 1, 2019, to better promote history at schoolhouses across the force, officials announced. The center manages, among other things, the Army's museum system, which includes 47 Army museums and 176 other holdings that display around 500,000 artifacts and over 15,000 works of military art. (Graphic by the U.S. Army)

STRONG B.A.N.D.S. campaign encourages everybody to 'Reach your peak'



Lt. Gen. Bradley A. Becker, Installation Management Command commanding general, lifts weights during filming of a video for STRONG B.A.N.D.S. on April 5 at Joint Base San Antonio - Fort Sam Houston. (Photo by Brittany J. Nelson, IMCOM Public Affairs)

Susan A. Merkner
Installation Management Command Public Affairs

"Reach Your Peak" is the theme for the U.S. Army's ninth annual STRONG B.A.N.D.S. campaign in May, emphasizing physical health and well-being as vital components of readiness and resiliency.

Seventy-seven Army garrisons and locations will hold STRONG B.A.N.D.S. (Balance, Activity, Nutrition, Determination, Strength) programs and activities that support health and physical fitness in May.

The Installation Management Command's G9 Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Army Sports, Fitness and Aquatics program is coordinating the 2019 campaign. The campaign is timed to coincide with National Physical Fitness and Sports Month.

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WEEKEND WEATHER

Friday



Cloudy, with a high of 62 and a low of 41 degrees

Saturday



Mostly cloudy, with a high of 58 and a low of 39 degrees.

Sunday



A.M. showers, with a high of 58 and a low of 38 degree.

FREE ANNUAL PASS FOR U.S. MILITARY

The National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass Series A pass is your ticket to more than 2,000 federal recreation sites. Each pass covers entrance fees at national parks and national wildlife refuges as well as standard amenity fees and day use fees for a driver and all passengers in a personal vehicle at per vehicle fee areas (or up to four adults at sites that charge per person). Children age 15 or under are admitted free at national forests and grasslands, and at lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. For more information on federal recreation sites and free Annual Passes for U.S. military, visit https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/passes.htm#CP_JUMP_5088576.

Nutrition Corner: Nutrition 101

Aimee Duncan

Medical Department Activity – Alaska Registered Dietician

In making your daily food selections, you should be particularly mindful of your beverage choices? While your beverage selection may seem inconsequential, they can impact your total daily caloric intake, which can contribute to unwanted weight gain and dental caries. It is easy to unknowingly consume 500 to 1,000 calories per day in beverages alone.

For example, one 20-ounce bottle of cola contains 240 calories. If you drank one per day for a year, that can contribute up to a 25 pound weight gain. Not to mention the 65 grams of additional sugar, about 1/3 cup, per day, which ends up to be about 118 cups of sugar per year.

Imagine the impact that has on your dental health as well. This also goes for energy drinks, sports drinks, juice and other sugared drinks such as lemonade.

Don't be fooled by juice. Just because it contains some vitamins does not mean it should be consumed in large quantities. Rely on your whole fruits, vegetables, lean proteins, low fat dairy and whole grains for your vitamins and minerals. One eight-ounce cup of orange juice contains 110 calories, so if you do enjoy a cold glass of juice in the morning ensure it is 100 percent juice and limit yourself to four to eight ounces per day.

If you are hooked on drinking sugar sweetened beverages because plain water is boring to you, think outside of the box for some other options. A good natural replacement is fruit infused water. It is quick, easy and low in calories. A low to moderate intake of diet beverages (diet cola) and commercial zero calorie water flavoring powders are safe and effective

for reducing calorie intake, when replacing sugared beverages, for most individuals.

Featured Food:

Fruit Infused Water! All you need to do is make a pitcher or bottle of water and throw in your favorite mix of fruits and vegetables.

Featured Recipes:

Cherry Limeade – Fill a pitcher with water and combine with one thinly sliced lime and six pitted cherries cut in half. Add a small piece of mint for an extra burst of flavor. Best when fruit is infused for a minimum of four hours.

Cucumber Lemon – Fill a pitcher with water and add 10 to 14 thinly sliced cucumbers and four slices of lemon.

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The program is open to all Soldiers, Family members, veterans, retirees and military Civilian employees.

"I encourage everyone to get involved in STRONG B.A.N.D.S.," said Lt. Gen. Bradley A. Becker, IMCOM commanding general.

"Physical fitness is a crucial component of readiness and resiliency," Becker said. "Garrisons across the Army are offering fitness classes, sports activities and community events that appeal to all fitness levels and areas of interest. Visit your garrison MWR website to find all the events offered in May."

Becker is featured in a 30-second video promotion for STRONG B.A.N.D.S.

Because physical fitness has a direct impact on Army readiness, Soldiers must be mentally and physically fit. Not only are physically fit Soldiers essential to the Army, they also are more likely to have enjoyable, productive lives. Proper exercise programs enhance a person's quality of life, improve productivity and bring about positive physical and mental changes.

Army FMWR and other organizations coordinate numerous fitness programs for Soldiers and Families.

All Army Sports offers opportunities for Soldier-athletes to compete against other service members in basketball, boxing, ice hockey, soccer, taekwondo, wrestling and many other sports.

The Army's World Class Athlete Program allows Soldiers to compete at the highest international levels of sports while serving their country. Participants can aim for the Olympic and Paralympic Games, as well as other national and international achievements.

BOSS Strong is an Army program for single Soldiers that uses peer-to-peer support and a holistic approach to wellness. The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program helps participants maintain a balanced life through leisure and recreation activities, community service and quality of life.

Soldiers and Families can also get physically fit in FMWR facilities such as bowling centers, swimming pools, fitness centers, golf courses and through intramural sports.

U.S. Army Recruiting Command created two new fitness teams based at Fort Knox which are gaining attention.

USAREC selected 15 of the Army's elite to serve on the new Warrior Fitness Team, an outreach team that supports awareness and recruiting efforts. The Warrior Fitness Team will participate in competitions such as Strongman, Olympic lifting and Ninja Warrior. Its six-Soldier functional fitness team dominated the field at the Arnold Sports Festival in Columbus in early March,

winning the CrossFit Endeavor competition.

A 20-member Army Esports Team uses gaming as an outreach tool to help create awareness about Army careers and benefits. Engaging in social communities built for gamers allows Soldiers to be more relatable and educate young people about who they are and what they do in an authentic way.

USAREC also produces articles and videos for its Fitness Friday feature on Soldier athletes.

The Army's annual Best Warrior competition is the culminating test for NOCs and Soldiers across the globe striving to be the best at warrior tasks such as ruck marches, navigation, communications, range qualifications, interviews and essays. The winners earn the titles Army NCO of the Year and Army Soldier of the Year.

After years of study, the Army is changing its physical fitness test. The Army Combat Fitness Test will become the Army's physical test of record by October 2020, replacing the Army Physical Fitness Test.

The ACFT differs from its predecessor by emphasizing military tasks that Soldiers might use in combat. Army officials expect it to further decrease injuries and to improve personnel readiness and combat effectiveness.

The Army Center for Initial Military Training launched a campaign, Holistic Health and Fitness, to focus on improving the Soldier selection process, physical performance, performance education, and transforming and improving Soldier fitness/training. Some of the new measures are being tested at installations. The field manual for Army Physical Readiness Training, FM 7-22, is now being rewritten with the name Holistic Health and Fitness.

This year's STRONG B.A.N.D.S. campaign includes two external partners.

The Exchange is partnering with Army FMWR this year by tying its "Be Fit" program to the STRONG B.A.N.D.S. campaign through social media, in-store videos and web content.

The Human Performance Resource Center, the educational arm of the Consortium for Health and Military Performance at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Science, also is providing educational videos and social media posts to support the campaign.

Army garrison-level STRONG B.A.N.D.S. activities this month may include walks/runs, softball, basketball, weight lifting, walks that feature children's books, CrossFit, bicycling and other events. Garrison participants will receive black and gold Army STRONG B.A.N.D.S. wristbands symbolizing their commitment to a healthier lifestyle. Army Sports, Fitness and Aquatics program officials will track garrison involvement.

During the 2018 STRONG B.A.N.D.S. campaign, more than 68,000 people participated in approximately 350 events at 77 locations.

MEDDAC Minute

Brandy Ostanik

Medical Department Activity – Alaska, Public Affairs

WALK-IN CLINIC

Beneficiaries 18 and older can utilize the Walk-in Clinic Nurse option when needing to be seen for strep throat screening, urinary tract infection screening, pregnancy testing, blood pressure monitoring, suture removal, wart removal and sexually transmitted disease checks. The clinic is open 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday. Hours for Thursdays are 1 to 3:30 p.m. For more information call 361-5833.

SUMMER APPOINTMENTS

Due to a possible shortage of appointments during the summer permanent change of station season, TRICARE Standard and TRICARE Select patients will not have access to appointments at Medical Department Activity – Alaska from mid-May through September. This change ensures the maximum number of appointments are available for beneficiaries who chose TRICARE Prime.

NEED LAB RESULTS?

No need to come into Bassett Army Community Hospital or call into your provider. You can get lab results, schedule medication refills, schedule appointments and more through TRICARE Online. Go to www.tricare.mil to log in or create an account.

PERFORMANCE TRIAD TIP

Train your brain to become addicted to healthy foods that help fuel your performance! When you choose healthy foods instead of junk food to satisfy your hunger, over time you can train your brain to like and crave healthy foods. It takes about six weeks to retrain the brain to crave a new food.

PATIENT ADVOCATE

The MEDDAC-AK patient advocate acts on behalf of all patients and the commander to resolve problems and implement necessary corrections. Beneficiaries needing assistance, or who have questions about the care received at MEDDAC-AK, can contact our patient advocate at 361-5291.

STAY FIT AND INFORMED

A Performance Triad app has been launched by Army Medicine to assist Soldiers and Family members in creating healthy nutrition, activity and sleeping habits. The app is free and is available by searching "Performance Triad" on your mobile device's app store.

UPDATE YOUR INFO

All contact information for beneficiaries is pulled from the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System. If you change phone numbers, move or change family status, beneficiaries must change their information in DEERS for MEDDAC to have the most up-to-date information. Correct information is vital to determining eligibility and contacting beneficiaries.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency: 911
24 Hour Nurse Advice Line:
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Appointment Line: 361-4000
Behavioral Health: 361-6059
Benefits Advisor: 361-5656
Immunizations: 361-5456
Information Desk: 361-5172
Patient Advocate: 361-5291
Pharmacy Refills: 361-5803
Referral Center: 361-1810
Tricare On-Line: www.tricareonline.com
United Health Care: uhcmilitarywest.com
1-800-988-9378



**Veterans
Crisis Line**
1-800-273-8255 PRESS 1

Oregon Lakes Fire



After three days of low activity, winds increased and pushed smoke into neighboring communities as the Oregon Lakes Fire burned untouched pockets of fuel in the interior and on its southern May 7. Members of the Alaska Type 2 Incident Management Team, who took over management of the fire, reported no fire growth to the north, west and east after a late afternoon flight. The fire is estimated at 6,745 acres. (Photo by Sebastian Saarloos, Cold Regions Test Center)

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The Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Paul Fritts
U.S. Army Garrison Fort Greely

Call me old fashioned, but I still enjoy a nightly routine that includes watching the evening news on network television. It will come as no surprise to even the most casual channel surfer that the evening network news broadcasts are prime time for pharmaceutical companies to advertise their prescription drugs. Having now seen countless commercials for numerous drugs with strange names, I recently found myself reflecting on a common advertising theme among many of them.

These commercials all begin by introducing us to an attractive, affluent, traditional family composed of a father, mother and children. They are usually white and live in an affluent suburban neighborhood where their neighbors are equally attractive, affluent and who join them for enjoyable strolls past well manicured yards. Meanwhile their well-behaved, happy children ride bikes and

play catch together. This idyllic scene unfolds on my television screen in slow motion while sunlight filters through a soft, gauzy photographic effect that smoothes all of the rough edges of life and leaves me with a peaceful, easy feeling that the soothing voice of the narrator promises I, too, can enjoy when my doctor prescribes this medication for me.

It is effective advertising. So effective, in fact, that an April 10, 2018 article by David Lazarus published in the Los Angeles Times sounds an alarm by quoting a Yale University study that claims these direct-to-consumer drug ads are ultimately bad for our health. According to the lead researcher Joseph Ross, an associate professor of medicine and public health at Yale, "The advertisements don't often represent the best treatment or medication available. They're selling products." Not only are these prescription drug ads potentially bad for our physical health, I suggest they are also potentially bad for our spiritual health.

Setting aside legitimate medical needs for which properly prescribed medicines are essential to life and health, these ads condition us to desire illusions and to seek hope in drugs. In the Gospel of John, after predicting his death, Judas' betrayal, and Peter's denial, Jesus gives the disciples a pre-crucifixion pep talk: "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Contrary to what the advertising agencies and pharmacy executives would lead us to believe, Jesus truthfully states: in this world, we'll have trouble.

When trouble comes, there is a sweet spot balanced between our abject submission to what we can control and our misguided desire to control what we cannot. In that balance we meet Jesus who encourages us to take heart and find peace. With an unclouded vision of the world the way it truly is and not the way we wish it would be, Jesus offers true healing with a prescription for hope.



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Paul Fritts

The Fort Greely Chapel community is open and accessible to everyone in the Delta Junction/Fort Greely community – even non-military. We are a traditional, protestant Army chapel service meeting on Sundays at 10 a.m. with a weekly Communion observance. Interested? Please call 907-873-4397 to arrange for gate access. "Like" our chapel Facebook page by searching "Fort Greely Chapel" or use your web browser to go to <https://www.facebook.com/FGAChapel>.

For God and Country,
Chaplain Fritts

Fort Wainwright

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ESTATE NOTICE

Cynthia R. Durham passed away in Fairbanks on April 19, 2019. Anyone having claims against or who is indebted to the estate of Cynthia R. Durham of the Transportation Division, Logistics Readiness Center, Army Field Support Battalion – Alaska, Fort Wainwright, Alaska, 99703, may contact Maj. Raphael T. Martinez, Support Operations, AFSBn-Alaska, Fort Wainwright, Alaska, 99703, via email at raphael.t.martinez.mil@mail.mil.

CANCER

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The research, funded by the U.S. Army and conducted by researchers at University of California, Santa Barbara and Université de Bordeaux, France, has developed a computational approach for parallel simulations that models the complex bioelectrical interaction at the tissue scale.

Previously, most research has been conducted on individual cells, and each cell behaves according to certain rules.

"When you consider a large number of them together, the aggregate exhibits novel coherent behaviors," said Pouria Mistani, a researcher at UCSB. "It is this emergent phenomenon that is crucial for developing effective theories at the tissue-scale – novel behaviors that emerge from the coupling of many individual elements."

This new research, published in the Journal of Computational Physics, is funded by the U.S. Combat Capabilities Development Command's Army Research Lab, the Army's corporate research laboratory known as ARL, through its Army Research Office.

"Mathematical research enables us to study the bioelectric effects of cells in order to develop new anti-cancer strategies," said Dr. Joseph Myers, Army Research Office mathematical sciences division chief. "This new research will enable more accurate and capable virtual experiments of the evolution and treatment of cells, cancerous or healthy, in response to a variety of candidate drugs."

Researchers said a crucial element in making this possible is the development of advanced computational algorithms.

"There is quite a lot of mathematics that goes into the design of algorithms that can consider tens of thousands well-resolved cells," said Frederic Gibou, a faculty member in the Department of Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science at UCSB.

Another potential application is accelerating combat wound healing using electric pulsation.

"It's an exciting, but mainly unexplored area that stems from a deeper discussion at the frontier of developmental biology, namely how electricity influences morphogenesis," – or the biological process that causes an organism to develop its shape – Gibou said. "In wound healing, the goal is to externally manipulate electric cues to guide cells to grow faster in the wounded region and accelerate the healing process."

The common factor among these applications is their bioelectric physical nature. In recent years, it has been established that the bioelectric nature of living organisms plays a pivotal role in the development of their form and growth.

To understand bioelectric phenomena, Gibou's group considered computer experiments on multicellular spheroids in 3D. Spheroids are aggregates of a few tens of thousands of cells that are used in biology because of their structural and functional similarity with tumors.

"We started from the phenomenological cell-scale model that was developed in the research group of our colleague, Clair Poignard, at the Université de Bordeaux, France, with whom we have collaborated for several years," Gibou said.

This model, which describes the evolution of transmembrane potential on an isolated cell, has been compared and validated with the response of a single cell in experiments.

"From there, we developed the first computational framework that is able to consider a cell aggregate of tens of thousands of cells and to simulate their interactions," he said. "The end goal is to develop an effective tissue-scale theory for electroporation."

One of the main reasons for the absence of an effective theory at the tissue scale is the lack of data, according to Gibou and Mistani.

Specifically, the missing data in the case of electroporation is the time evolution of the transmembrane potential of each individual cell in a tissue environment. Experiments are not able to make those measurements, they said.

"Currently, experimental limitations prevent the development of an effective tissue-level electroporation theory," Mistani said. "Our work has developed a computational approach that can simulate the response of individual cells in a spheroid to an electric field as well as their mutual interactions."

Each cell behaves according to certain rules.

"But when you consider a large number of them together, the aggregate exhibits novel coherent behaviors," Mistani said. "It is this emergent phenomenon that is crucial for developing effective theories at the tissue-scale – novel behaviors that emerge from the coupling of many individual elements."

The effects of electroporation used in cancer treatment, for example, depend on many factors, such as the strength of the electric field, its pulse and frequency.

"This work could bring an effective theory that helps understand the tissue response to these parameters and thus optimize such treatments," Mistani said. "Before our work, the largest existing simulations of cell aggregate electroporation only considered about one hundred cells in 3D, or were limited to 2D simulations. Those simulations either ignored the real 3D nature of spheroids or considered too few cells for tissue-scale emergent behaviors to manifest."

The researchers are currently mining this unique dataset to develop an effective tissue-scale theory of cell aggregate electroporation.



History Snapshot: Ladd Field Permanent Pass, 1941

U.S. Army Garrison Alaska Cultural Resources Program

August 'Augie' Hiebert was a radio engineer who operated the broadcast facilities of KFAR, which was located about two miles from what is now the University of Alaska Fairbanks and on the grounds of the current Fairbanks Golf Course. Prior to the war, KFAR was a commercial radio station, but following the U.S. entering World War II, it became the Armed Forces Radio Service outlet. KFAR served Ladd Field and Alaska's distant stations and received national programming that was

previously inaccessible to the Fairbanks audience. Augie Hiebert related how the programming was distributed: "We had these big 16-inch transcriptions that were flown up here with NBC's best programs – Red Skelton, Jack Benny, all that stuff, CBS stuff, Mutual stuff, ABC stuff. And we had a marvelous program service that, of course, the townspeople enjoyed too. Now, these programs didn't have any commercials in them. All the commercials were deleted because they didn't want to figure that the government was subsidizing advertising. But it was wonderful programming for both civilians and the military. We did that through the whole war."

(Photo courtesy of August Hiebert)

HISTORY

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The center's move is part of reforms being made by the secretary of the Army to ensure the headquarters level is focused on policy and oversight, and commanders at lower levels are properly equipped to carry out their functions.

"We're kind of the standard bearer of reform for the Army in realigning to TRADOC," Bowery said.

The modern organization of Army historical efforts dates back to World War II as the service sought to record the official history of the war, according to the center's website.

Over the decades, the center expanded that role into military history education, introduced automated data-retrieval systems, and currently manages the Army's museum system.

The museum system includes 47 Army museums and 176 other holdings, which have around 500,000 artifacts and over 15,000 works of military art.

The center is also behind the National Museum of the U.S. Army, which is under construction at Fort Belvoir and projected to open in 2020.

With 750,000 visitors expected to visit each year, the museum will serve as a "launch point" for TRADOC to engage the public about the Army.

"We look at the national museum as a premiere platform to advertise the Army to the nation and the world," Bowery said.

Other Army museums may also see changes as the center plans to look at some management reforms to ensure they run more efficiently.

"It's all about funding the secretary of the Army's priorities," Bowery said, "and we want to make sure we're good stewards of the money we receive to run the museums."

In the publishing realm, he added, the center will also embark on a new series telling the histories of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The books, which will be called the "Tan Books" after the center's "Green Books" series on World War II, will eventually be available online and in print when finished.

Army Recruiting Command, which is part of TRADOC, has also expressed interest in having the center help tailor historical content for young trainees in basic combat training.

"We've already taken some baby steps toward doing that," he said. "We're talking about things like developing apps and publications that are accessible to different audiences and are inspiring."

Historical content is often made for a variety of audiences. Officer trainees or officers attending staff colleges, for instance, may receive more specific details on previous battles, campaigns and strategic, operational and tactical decisions.

"You want them to learn from those past decisions, so that their critical thinking is sharpened and that they make better decisions in the future," he said.

NCOs, he noted, may also receive that sort of information as well as history that serves to inspire.

Being a part of TRADOC, the center will be able to expand its reach to those audiences.

"It's really a golden opportunity for us to influence the Army in a much deeper way," Bowery said.





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Fort Wainwright Family & MWR

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May 10 - 17

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10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Physical Fitness Center is hosting a 2-hour Zumba Class! Feel the beat and the burn with 2 hours of Zumba! Registration is accepted in person at the Physical Fitness Center.

Physical Fitness Center, building 3709
Call 353-7223

11 Mother's Day Ice Skating
May 11
1:30 to 4 p.m.

Take Mom out to the Physical Fitness Center Ice Rink for an afternoon of ice skating! Moms skate free from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. with the purchase of one child's admission.

Physical Fitness Center, building 3709
Call 353-7223, reservations recommended

12 Introduction to Stand Up Paddleboarding
May 12
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

New to the stand up paddleboarding world? Then come on out and learn how to navigate your board on still water, for a fun filled day of floating at Tanana Lake City Park. Paddleboards are provided and all skill levels are welcome.

Outdoor Recreation Center, building 4050
Call 361-4089, registration required

12 Mother's Day Bowling
May 12
12 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Take Mom out and bring the whole family to Nugget Lanes Bowling Center to celebrate Mother's Day! The first game for Mom is on the house!

Nugget Lanes Bowling Center, building 3702
Call 353-2654, reservations recommended

14 Parent Advisory Board
May 14
12 to 1 p.m.

The Parent Advisory Board (PAB) is a group of parents and caregivers committed to fostering an open and collaborative environment. The PAB meetings are a forum designed for educating parents and discussing issues. We are looking for new members that want to be actively engaged in the CYS programs, and learn about new programs and services offered for children and their parents. Providing feedback regarding new ideas for programs and initiatives is always encouraged!

School Age Center, building 4166
Call 353-7713

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