The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine is pleased to announce that Elaine F. Reed, Ph.D. has been appointed as the Daljit S. and Elaine Sarkaria Chair in Diagnostic Medicine.

As a clinical leader in organ transplant, Dr. Reed’s educational and mentoring activities influence a wide range of physicians and scientists, including medical students, clinical fellows, and translational researchers at UCLA. She has, through her teaching, lecturing and laboratory instruction of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, provided significant education and mentoring to a wide range of biomedical scientists and physicians, including residents and fellows in Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Hematology/Oncology, Liver and Kidney transplantation, and Cardiology. She chairs and lectures in the course “Transplantation Immunobiology: From Bench to Bedside,” and lectures in several other courses.

Dr. Reed is a leading immunogeneticist who has been Director of the UCLA Immunogenetics Center since 1999, and Vice Chair of Research Services (in the Department) since 2007. Her research focuses on mechanisms of antibody-mediated allograft rejection and the identification of immunologic and genetic predictors of rejection and tolerance. She is a highly published and widely cited scientist; she has authored 26 book chapters and over 195 peer-reviewed articles. She has also been a key contributor to the working formulations of immunopathology in heart and lung organ transplant rejection. She has trained five Ph.D. /MD clinical scientists who have gone on to become board-certified Clinical Laboratory Directors. Dr. Reed was the recipient of the 2012 Rose Payne Award and the 2008 Distinguished Scientist Award from the American Society of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics. She is the current Treasurer for the Federation of Clinical Immunology Societies and serves on the Editorial Boards of the American Journal of Transplantation and Human Immunology.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Reed on this prestigious appointment.

Jonathan Braun, M.D., Ph.D.
Professor and Chair