

# **Group on Women in Medicine and Science Lunch and Learn Seminar**

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Hosted By:

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*Guest Speaker*

**Liisa Kuhn, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor, Department of Reconstructive Sciences  
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## ***“Biomaterials for Controlled Release of Biologically Active Molecules”***

Dr. Kuhn has been a faculty member at UConn Health since 2002. Prior to joining UConn Health, she was Director of Orthopaedics Product Development for ETEX Corporation in Boston, MA (2000-2002), and Director of Development for NaturApatites Co., Inc. also in Boston, which she co-founded (1998-2000). Dr. Kuhn received her Ph.D. from the University of California-Santa Barbara in Materials Engineering and her B.S. from Duke University in Mechanical Engineering. She completed postdoctoral training at Harvard Medical School/The Children's Hospital in Boston in

Orthopedics. Recent honors include receiving the Award of Merit from the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) and being elected as President-Elect of the Society For Biomaterials. Her biomaterials research interests are diverse and include bone regeneration, stem cell culture and development of anti-cancer therapies. Currently the main goal of her research is to improve bone repair in elderly patients through the use of bone graft substitutes that deliver multiple growth factors to enhance both proliferative and differentiation effects during bone regeneration.

*– A discussion to follow on balancing a successful academic work-life career. –*

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