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FEBRUARY 27-28, 2026



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Do you, your family, or patients live with  
Multiple Hereditary Exostoses (MHE)?

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**MHE Specialists & Researchers**

Jaqueline T. Hecht, PhD

Kevin B Jones, MD

David Feldman, MD

Arun Hariharan, MD, MS

Maurizio Pacifici, PhD

Ryan Weiss, PhD

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# ORTHOPEDIC TREATMENT OF RARE CONDITIONS SYMPOSIUM

## A Focus on Multiple Hereditary Exostoses

### February 27 and 28, 2026

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#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

**3:00 - 6:30 Physical Therapy Session for Physical and Occupational Therapists and Parents**

Ranes Pavilion, 5325 Greenwood Avenue, Suite 101  
St. Mary's Medical Center, West Palm Beach, FL

**DETAILS TO FOLLOW**

**7:00 - 11:00 Family Dinner and Dance -**

Hilton Palm Beach PBI Hotel

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2026

**7:00 - 8:00 Registration and Breakfast**

**8:00 - 8:05 Welcome Remarks -**

Drs. Feldman, Hariharan, and Huser

**8:05 - 8:45 Let's Get to Know You - All Faculty**

**8:45 - 9:30 Natural History of MHE - Jacqueline T. Hecht, PhD**

**9:30 - 9:45 Provider Approach to MHE - Aaron J. Huser, DO**

**9:45 - 10:00 Break**

**10:00 - 10:45 Heparin Sulfate: How It Affects MHE -**

Ryan J. Weiss, PhD

**10:45 - 11:15 MHE Spine - Arun Hariharan, MD, MS**

**11:15 - 11:45 MHE Pelvis/Hip - David Feldman, MD**

**11:45 - 12:30 Lunch**

**12:30 - 12:45 Treatment of Shoulder/Scapula -**

David Feldman, MD

**12:45 - 1:30 Emerging Treatments in MHE -**

Maurizio Pacifici, PhD

**1:30 - 2:00 Treatment of the Elbow and Forearm -**

Aaron J. Huser, DO

**2:00- 2:45 Malignant Degeneration/Putting It All Together -**

Kevin Jones, MD

**2:45 - 3:00 Break**

**3:00 - 3:30 Treatment of the Knee - Aaron J. Huser, DO**

**3:30 - 4:00 Treatment of the Ankle - David Feldman, MD**

**4:00- 4:45 "What Can We Do for You?" - All Faculty**

**4:45 - 5:30 QNA and Adjourn**

**6:00 - 9:00 Buffet Dinner and Fun for All**

Hilton Palm Beach PBI Hotel

**Question and Answer (QNA) will be after each faculty presentation**

If you have question please call or text Sarah Ziegler 561-315-9149 or [sziegler@paleyinstitute.org](mailto:sziegler@paleyinstitute.org)

### FACULTY

**Jacqueline T. Hecht, PhD**

**Aaron J. Huser, DO**

**Kevin Jones, MD**

**Nancy Quinn, OTR**

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**Mike Thompson, MSPT**

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## Multiple Hereditary Exostoses

**Friday February 27, 2025, 1:00 - 4:00 Meet and Greet**

**7:00 - 11:00 Family Dinner and Dance, Hilton Palm Beach PBI Hotel**



**David Feldman, MD**

Associate Director Paley Orthopedic & Spine Institute (Symposium Co-Director)

<https://paleyinstitute.org/dr-david-feldman>



**Kevin B Jones, MD**

Leader, Huntsman Cancer Institute Sarcoma Disease Center  
Division Chief, Sarcoma, Department of Orthopaedics  
Professor, Department of Orthopaedics and Adjunct Professor of  
Oncological Sciences

<https://www.utahkidsortho.com/kevin-b-jones-md-pediatric-orthopaedics-salt-lake-city-provo-utah>

<https://uofuhealth.utah.edu/huntsman/labs/kb-jones-lab>



**Aaron Huser, DO**

Paley Orthopedic & Spine Institute  
(Symposium Co-Director)

<https://paleyinstitute.org/aaron-huser>



**Maurizio Pacifici, Ph.D**

Director of Orthopedic Translational Research at Children's Hospital  
of Philadelphia

<https://www.chop.edu/doctors/pacifici-maurizio>



**Jacqueline T Hecht, Ph.D**

Professor and Vice Chair for Research, Division Director, Pediatrics  
Research Center

Leah L. Lewis Distinguished Chair

Department of Pediatrics, UT Health Science Center at Houston  
<https://med.uth.edu/pediatrics/2022/11/14/jacqueline-t-hecht-phd>



**Ryan Weiss, Ph.D**

Assistant Professor of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology,  
Weiss Laboratory Complex Carbohydrate Research Center  
Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of  
Georgia  
<https://ccrc.uga.edu/team/ryan-weiss>

## Topics:

- ❖ Natural History of MHE
- ❖ Genetics
- ❖ Osteochondroma formation,
- ❖ Orthopedics Multiple Body Areas
- Surgical Techniques and Timing
- ❖ Research Development in Mouse Models
- ❖ Heparan Sulfate (HS) Biosynthesis.
- ❖ Malignant Degeneration Risk
- ❖ Drug Development

## The MHE Research Foundation is the speaker session sponsor

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### REGISTRATION

The fee to attend this 2-day event and participate in all sessions/meals\* is:

#### FAMILY RATES:

Single: \$50 Two Attendees: \$90 Up to 4: \$120 5 or More: \$150

#### ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL: \$100

\* Barrels & Bites event is not included in the registration fee

### CANCELLATION POLICY

For written cancellations before February 1, 2026, we will refund 100% of the paid registration fee. We will not be able to refund any fees for written cancellations received on or after February 1, 2026.

[REGISTRATON CLICK HERE](#)

Located on the website registration page you will be asked for the number of people you are registering for the symposium. Upon registration submission you will get an email from Madeline Bacon [mbacon@paleyinstitute.org](mailto:mbacon@paleyinstitute.org) asking the session you are attending. This symposium will have four rare conditions running concurrently.

Please contact Sarah Ziegler if the Hilton West Palm Beach Hotel we the Symposium is being hold is pricy as has other hotel options [sziegler@paleyinstitute.org](mailto:sziegler@paleyinstitute.org) 561-315-9149



### GETTING HERE

The closest airport to the symposium is **Palm Beach International (PBI)**. The **Hilton Palm Beach PBI Hotel** provides complimentary scheduled shuttle service to/from PBI Airport and the hotel. If you will be arriving at **Miami (MIA)** or **Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood (FLL)** instead, there is a shuttle to high-speed train service, **Brightline**, connecting these locations with downtown West Palm Beach.

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### HOTEL INFORMATION

The meeting will occur at the **Hilton Palm Beach PBI Hotel** (150 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406). We have reserved a block of rooms at a discounted nightly rate of \$289 plus taxes. This rate includes complimentary shuttle service to/from Palm Beach International Airport (PBI) and hotel, shuttle service to downtown City Place, hi-speed internet service, and 24-hour access to the state-of-the-art Fitness Center overlooking the outdoor pool.

We highly recommend that you make your hotel reservation early since it is peak tourist season in Florida. Our special rate will be available through January 31, 2026 or until our commitment is sold-out (whichever is first). To make a reservation [CLICK HERE](#) or scan the QR code below. You may also contact the hotel (+1 561-684-9400) and request the "ORTHO" rate.

**Reservations are due before February 1, 2026.**

*Note: The hotel will assess an early departure fee to those attendees who check-out prior to the date that was confirmed at check-in.*



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During the Meet and Greet on Feb 27, 2026, if you would like to meet privately with doctors Feldman and Huser and have them review x-rays and advise at no charge or if you are a current patient or would like to arrange an appointment on Thursday Feb 26, 2026 at the Paley Orthopedic and Spine Institute, please contact Sarah Ziegler [sziegler@paleyinstitute.org](mailto:sziegler@paleyinstitute.org) or call 561-315-9149. Sarah will provide you all information required and arrange. This Symposium is an education effort on behalf of the MHE Community we know how expensive life is these days and some families would like to accomplish to both a clinical assessment and attend the Symposium without making two trips.

Families interested in going to Disney would before or after the Symposium its 2 ½ hours from the Hilton Palm Beach PBI hotel. The Brightline high speed train does go from downtown West Palm Beach to Orlando. You may want to fly into Orlando International Airport (MCO) or rent a car.

Madame Tussauds Orlando

SEA LIFE Aquarium

Lots of other thinks to do in Orlando

The Kennedy Space Center is little over 2 hours from the Hilton Palm Beach PBI hotel

Explore the Local Culture and things do in West Palm Beach

Manatee Lagoon West Palm Beach

Lion Country Safari approximately 20 miles west of downtown West Palm Beach

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