

# 'Grey's Anatomy' STAFF SHAKE-UP

**T**HE actress who replaced "Grey's Anatomy" star Isaiah Washington after a headline-making gay scandal is getting the boot, sources tell The ENQUIRER exclusively.

Brooke Smith signed a five-year deal when she joined the hit ABC medical drama in 2006, but she'll sign out of Seattle Grace Hospital at the end of this season, according to insiders.

**BROOKE'S CHARACTER** Dr. Erica Hahn was originally brought in to fill the vacancy left by Isaiah. Lately she's been involved in a lesbian love plot line with Sara Ramirez' character Dr. Callie Torres.

"But the producers felt that Brooke didn't quite gel with the other cast members," said an insider.

Brooke's character took over the job as the hospital's chief of cardiothoracic surgery in 2007. That was the title held by Washington's



Isaiah Washington was replaced by Brooke Smith. Now Melissa George (right) will replace Brooke

character when the actor was axed over a violent on-set incident in which he screamed a homosexual insult at fellow cast member T.R. Knight. The ENQUIRER broke that story exclusively.

"Although Brooke was given a five-year contract, she will leave the show after this season, and only be paid through next year. It's a compromise that satisfied



Newcomer Brooke Smith axed, Melissa George signs in

both her and the producers," said the insider.

Meanwhile, "Alias" star Melissa George is joining "Grey's" as a sultry bisexual intern named Sadie.

"Sadie is a hot blonde who pursues both men and women," divulged the insider. "She will immediately come between female lovers Callie and Erica, and have the entire hospital buzzing."

Sadie is also a longtime friend of Ellen Pompeo's character Dr. Meredith Grey, and rumors will fly about their intimate past, said the insider.

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