Faculty: Are you working on a new grant application or a resubmission?
The Department of Medicine offers proposal development and grant writing support for faculty with Janet Gross, PhD. Support includes: overall grant writing and critical feedback on a full application, preparing the introduction and structuring the A1 proposal, strategy to make a strong case for a particular RFA, restructuring and preparing NIH K or similar career development awards, and more. Read more...

Nominate a faculty member for the 2016 Department of Medicine Faculty Awards
**Deadline: Friday, 5/6** This year's research awards include Outstanding Scientific Citation (basic and clinical) and the R. Wayne Alexander Excellence in Research Accomplishment Award. Winners will receive a monetary gift and commemorative plaque, which will be awarded at Celebratory Medical Grand Rounds on Tuesday, 6/21. Submit nomination | Questions? | Read more...

Notable NIH Notices
- **Important:** NHLBI announces new salary cap for mentored career development awards (K-series) starting in FY2016. Read more...
- Restructured and streamlined application guides and supplemental instructions available for application due dates on or after May 25. Read more...

Join us at K- Club: “Celebrating the one year anniversary of the new NIH Biosketch”
Monday, 4/11 at 12 p.m. Egleston, classrooms 5-7. This session will review biosketch changes, including the latest updates that will take effect in May 2016, and will include a facilitated panel discussion with NIH study section members for their insights on when they’ve seen the new biosketch used effectively or not. Panelists include Drs. Russ Price, Paul Spearman, Gary Miller and Lou Ann Brown. A light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by 12 p.m. on Thursday, 4/7.

Reminder: Learn the nuts and bolts of the new NIH Rigor and Reproducibility requirements
Thursday, 4/21 at 12 p.m. in room 317, Woodruff Memorial Building. This April Research Resources 101 workshop will provide participants with information about the importance of reproducibility in research, the motivation behind the new NIH guidelines, and strategies to effectively address the new guidelines on grant applications. RSVP by Wednesday, 4/20 | View remotely | Questions?

Postdocs: nominate your mentor for the "Mentor of the Year" award
**Deadline: Friday, 5/22 at 5 p.m.** This award recognizes outstanding mentors who have demonstrated a longstanding commitment to mentoring students, trainees, and/or junior faculty. Nominees will be evaluated based on the experiences of their trainees, including the impact of mentorship on their subsequent professional and personal success. The award will be presented at the 2016 Postdoctoral Research Symposium on Thursday, 5/19. Submit your nomination | Questions?

Highlights from the March edition of the NIH Open Mike blog
- NIH and FDA seek feedback on clinical trial protocol template. Read more...
- Training application reminders for the May 25 due date. Read more...
- How do you know if you have the right forms, and what do you do if you don’t? Read more...

New CRISPR services available
The Transgenic Mouse and Gene Targeting Core is now making CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing techniques available to the research community. Read more...
Weekly NIH funding opportunities and notices

Federal funding opportunities for public health faculty

Transdisciplinary Collaborative Center (TCC) for Health Disparities Research Pilot Project Program: Call for Concept Papers Announcement
Deadline: Monday, 4/11
The TCC Shark Tank is one of the innovative approaches that Morehouse School of Medicine employs to identify qualified, highly motivated community-based partners, health organizations, and academic researchers for collaborative research opportunities in our TCC Pilot Project Program. TCC is looking to collaborate with community-based partners, health organizations, and academic researchers to expand the TCC "health equity through evidence-based science" agenda. Shark Tank winners will be awarded up to $50,000 for a pilot project award (upon full proposal submission and approval). Read more (PDF)...

Call for Applications for NIH Shared Instrument Grant
The labs of Eric Hunter Ph.D., Michael E. Zwick Ph.D, and Paul W. Doetsch Ph.D. of Emory University are applying for the NIH Shared Instrumentation S-10 grant in order to purchase a PacBio Sequel high capacity sequencing machine. The objective is to expedite investigators’ projects involving this technology by making it more conveniently available. Should our consortium receive the grant, the instrument will be housed in and operated in a CLIA-certified environment within the Emory Integrated Genomics Core. The core will work to assist more specialized investigator’s projects who require customized protocols for both sample preparation and data analysis. If interested, please submit a half page project summary describing how this technology will further your research to Emory Cores. For more information on the NIH S-10 grant, view grant website. For more information on the Sequel system and PacBio NGS applications, please download this PDF document.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF): Issues RFP for Program to Increase Diversity Across Its Programming
Deadline: Wednesday, 5/4
An annual initiative aimed at increasing diversity across the foundation’s research network and programming. The initiative is designed to introduce early-career researchers to the foundation and expand the diversity of perspectives that inform RWJF programming through grantmaking, mentorship, career development, and networking. Researchers in the program are expected to transcend disciplines (health, health care, the social sciences, business, urban planning, architecture and engineering); work to build the case for a Culture of Health with strong qualitative and quantitative research skills; and produce and translate timely research results. Read more...

Early career scientists: Apply now to the 2016 NIMHD Health Disparities Research Institute
Deadline: Wednesday, 6/1
This program provides a unique opportunity for early career researchers, interested in addressing health disparities and minority health research, to learn about the latest science and receive guidance on their own research projects from leaders in the field. Seeking participants from diverse backgrounds within and outside of academia, such as from community-based and nonprofit organizations. Read more...

Advances in Polycystic Kidney Disease (R01)
Deadline: Standard dates apply
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to increase investigator interest in basic and applied investigations of the etiology and pathogenesis of Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD), in both its autosomal dominant and autosomal recessive forms. The ultimate aim is to facilitate PKD-related research studies, which will provide the basis for new therapeutic approaches. Read more...

Baxter International Foundation Community Grant
Deadline: 6/11
The Baxter International Foundation funds programs that increase access to healthcare (e.g., an additional counselor to increase the number of patients served in a health clinic), programs in locations where Baxter employees live and work, and programs targeting a diverse population of underserved, underprivileged individuals. Read more...

American Heart Association (AHA): Accepting Proposals for National Innovative Research Grants
Deadline: Tuesday, 7/26
Accepting proposals in support of innovative, high-risk, high-reward research projects that could lead to critical discoveries or major advancements that will accelerate the field of cardiovascular and stroke research. Proposed work should not be the next logical step of previous work but should have a high probability of revealing new avenues of investigation, if successful. The program aims to provide pilot or seed funding that leads to successful competition for additional funding beyond the pilot period. Read more...
Prevention Innovation Program III (PIP) (R01)
**Deadline: Wednesday, 8/3**
Encourages research applications in Non-vaccine Biomedical Prevention (nBP) research. The PIP is intended to support high-risk/innovative research and development efforts to establish and maintain a sustainable pipeline for the prevention of HIV acquisition/transmission. *Read more...*

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**Congratulatory Corner**

**Michael Davis (Cardiology)**
Dr. Davis received an NIH R01 grant from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute for his project entitled “PEG hydrogels for progenitor cell delivery.” *Read more...*

Submit a suggestion for the Congratulatory Corner

**This Week’s Division Research Seminars**

**Tue 4/5**  
5 p.m. Renal Grand Rounds: Cancelled due to Experimental Biology Conference

**Thu 4/7**  
8 a.m. Infectious Disease Seminar: "Cellular immune responses to mycobacterium tuberculosis in HIV/TB co-infection" (Cheryl Day)  
Rita Anne Rollins Room, 8th floor, Grace Crum Rollins Building, SPH  
Pulmonary Division Research Seminar: Cancelled due to Experimental Biology Conference

**Mon 4/11**  
9 a.m. Cardiovascular Biology Seminar: “Injectable biomaterials for treating cardiovascular disease.” (Karen Christman—UCSD)  
Emory University Hospital, Hurst Conference Room E450  
5 p.m. Endocrine Conference  
Woodruff Memorial Research Building, Room 317

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**Recent Notable Publications***

**Ji Woong Han, Young-sup Yoon (Cardiology)**

**James Hughes (Infectious Diseases)**

**Shanthi Srinivasan (Digestive Diseases)**
Alfonso Hernandez-Romieu, Carlos del Rio (Infectious Diseases)

Nanette Wenger (Cardiology)
Wenger NK. “Lifestyle interventions to improve exercise tolerance in obese older patients with heart failure and preserved ejection fraction.” JAMA. 2016 Jan 5;315(1):31-3. Read more...

Phyllis Kozarsky (Infectious Diseases)

*We select publications for this newsletter from those that cite the Department of Medicine. You may also submit a publication to be featured.

Events & Educational Opportunities

Reminder: April Meeting of the Vaccine Dinner Club: “Selfie Shots: Self-administering Influenza Vaccine Using a Microneedle Patch”
Wednesday, 4/6 at 6 p.m. Emory Conference Center Hotel, Starvine Ballroom. Presented by Mark Prausnitz, PhD, Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, Regent’s Professor (Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering), Director, Center for Drug Design, Development, and Delivery, Georgia Institute of Technology and Nadine Rouphael, MD, Assistant Professor at Emory School of Medicine. Woodruff Health Sciences Center Administration Building (WHSCAB) Plaza and Auditorium. Registration (required) | Read more...

Planning for a Systematic Review
Wednesday, 4/13 from 12 - 1 p.m. Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library, room B63. This workshop for faculty, staff, and students will provide an overview of the systematic review process. Attendees will learn to create a search strategy, identify resources to use in designing the quality assessment piece of the review, and identify tools to use in managing documents for the review. Read more...

Interactive SAS Basics Workshop
Thursday, 4/14. The workshop is a two-week SAS basic workshop which is open to faculty, staff and students who are interested in acquiring "hands-on" SAS data analysis skills for preliminary reports, theses and dissertation projects. An introductory course in statistics is a prerequisite for this workshop! The workshop at Morehouse School of Medicine is presented by Fengxia Yan, MD, MS. Register

Transdisciplinary Collaborative Center (TCC) Health Policy Research Summit 2016: "Translating science into policy impact"
Thursday, 4/28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The inaugural TCC Health Policy Research Summit will be held at National Center for Primary Care, Morehouse School of Medicine. The TCC supports partnerships between communities, research institutions, and health organizations to conduct research and translate knowledge aimed at informing health policy and advancing health equity in the Southeast US. The purpose of the Summit is to convene and galvanize the TCC consortium and other transdisciplinary partners to share important work, brainstorm new strategies, and engage in critical health equity discourse. Read more...

Health Disparities Research Institute
Monday-Friday, 8/15-8/19. The National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) will host this event. The Institute aims to foster individual research projects of promising scientists and motivated research scholars with the overall goal to stimulate innovative research in the minority health and health disparities sciences. Please forward this message to anyone who may be interested in applying. Read more...

Submit an event to be featured here
Highlighted Researcher

Peter Block, MD (Cardiology)
Dr. Block is professor of medicine in the Division of Cardiology and director of the Structural Heart Disease Interventional Program. He is known for his involvement with the development of the structural heart disease subspecialty, ultimately leading to the development and understanding of percutaneous treatment of valvular heart disease. He was also involved in many early structural heart disease trials, the field of which is now developing into a major subspecialty. His research interests include: evaluation of laser light in dissolution of intra-vascular thrombus and atherosclerotic plaque; evaluation of new intravascular therapies for dissolution of atherosclerotic plaque; percutaneous myocardial revascularization; transcatheter repair of valvular heart disease; transcatheter cardiac valve implantation; percutaneous balloon valvotomy of mitral and aortic stenosis; vascular photobiology; and left ventricular remodeling in heart failure. Dr. Block is a member of Emory’s MilliPub club for authoring a publication that has been cited more than 1,000 times in the literature. In his free time, he enjoys turning wooden hollow forms and fly fishing. Read more...

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