3rd annual Advancing Health Care Quality Research at Emory event: Friendly reminder for registrants
We are looking forward to seeing everyone at tomorrow's event entitled "Quality Research to Accelerate Value and Innovation in Health Care" held in the lobby and room 110 in the School of Medicine Building. This year's keynote speaker is Pamela Douglas, MD of Duke University. Join the conversation by tagging your social media posts with #QualityResearch16. Note: this research-focused event is distinct from the Emory Quality Conference, which has a clinical focus. View schedule...

Last chance to register: Have an invention? We’ll help you learn how to finance it
Join us Thursday, 5/19 for a joint Research Resources 101 and Innovation Brown Bag Lunch Series workshop with speaker John Lowery, MBA, Chief Financial Officer, Microbial Medical, Inc. Participants will learn about the available forms of financing, how to prepare and raise external funds, and how to identify and contact potential investors. RSVP by tomorrow, 5/18. View remotely | Questions?

Reminder: Proven faculty entrepreneur training course
Application deadline: June 21
Emory University. Emory’s Office of Technology Transfer (OTT), along with ACTSI, is offering the Kauffman FastTrac® TechVenture™ entrepreneur training course. This six full-day course (over seven weeks) is designed to train faculty entrepreneurs who plan to create a start-up company to commercialize their inventions. Read more (PDF)...

Call for faculty poster judges: Postdoctoral Research Symposium
The Office of Postdoctoral Education seeks faculty judges for its poster sessions on Thursday, 5/19. The time commitment will be about one hour to judge four to five posters. Read more (PDF)...

Reminder: Join the Research Community for Happy Hour
Friday, 6/3 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Department of Medicine Community members are invited to tour Three Taverns Brewery, sample some of their Decatur-made beer, and have a few snacks. Free for Community members; each member may bring one guest for a pro-rated fee of $5 payable at the event. RSVP required by Monday, 5/23. | What are Communities?

Reminder: Call for applications: Broadening Experiences in Scientific Training (BEST) Program
Application deadline: Wednesday, 6/1
PhD students and postdoctoral fellows in the biomedical sciences at Emory and Georgia Tech are invited to join the 4th cohort of the NIH-funded Atlanta BEST Program. The program allows participants to explore their career interests and gain valuable professional development and leadership training. Read more...

Please consider referring a patient: Omega-3 Fatty Acids for MDD Study
The Emory University Mood and Anxiety Disorders Program is currently seeking people with depression for a research study. The purpose of this research study is to evaluate an omega-3 fatty acid supplement in comparison to a placebo. If your patient is currently overweight and depressed, he/she may qualify for participation. Mark Rapaport, MD (Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences) is PI of the study, working with a team of co-investigators including Thomas Ziegler, MD, MS (Endocrinology). Read more (PDF)...

How to determine if your study needs IRB review
Last week, the Emory IRB hosted a webinar on how to determine whether your study needs IRB review (non-human subjects research determinations). View recording and slides.
Funding and Award Opportunities

Weekly NIH funding opportunities and notices

Federal funding opportunities for public health faculty

Rheumatology Research Foundation: Scientist Development Award

**Deadline: Friday, 7/1** Now accepting applications for the 2016 Scientist Development Award, an annual program designed to provide support for a structured, formal, clinical, or basic science research training program for rheumatologists or health professionals in the field of rheumatology. Grants of up to $225,000 over as many as three years will be awarded to individuals in the early stages of their careers or without significant prior research experience who plan to embark on a career in biomedical and/or clinical research in arthritis and rheumatic disease. The goal of the funding is to provide an opportunity for young scientists to embark on focused research and research training that allows them to be competitive for the next level of career development awards. [Read more...]

NIH: Health Services Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities (R01/R21)

**Deadline: Tuesday, 8/9** The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage innovative exploratory and developmental health services research to improve minority health and/or reduce health disparities at the health care system-level as well as within clinical settings. R01 and R21 available.

NIH: Aging Research to Address Health Disparities

**Deadline: Wednesday, 8/10** This FOA announces the availability of administrative supplements to support aging research that addresses disparities in health, including preclinical, clinical, social and behavioral studies. [Read more...]

NIH: AHRQ Mentored Research Scientist Research Career Development Award (K01)

**Deadline: Standard Dates apply** The primary purpose of the AHRQ Mentored Research Scientist Research Career Development Awards (K01) program is to prepare qualified individuals for careers that have a significant impact on the quality, safety, efficiency, equity, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. This program represents an AHRQ program to provide support and “protected time” to individuals with a research doctoral degree for an intensive, supervised research career development experience in health services research. The K01 award is also available to promote research workforce diversity by providing enhanced research career development opportunities. [Read more...]

NIH: Mechanisms of Mycobacterial-Induced Immunity in HIV-Infected and Uninfected Individuals to Inform Innovative Tuberculosis Vaccine Design (R01)

**Deadline: Tuesday, 9/6** This FOA encourages innovative, high risk, high impact research to investigate the innate and/or adaptive immune responses induced by mycobacterial infections, Bacillus Calmette-Guérin vaccine (BCG) and/or candidate Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Mtb) vaccines in HIV-infected or uninfected individuals. Studies that will provide insights into the immune mechanisms required for protection from Mtb infection/re-infection or progression to active disease in latently infected individuals are encouraged. [Read more...]

NIH: Building Evidence: Effective Palliative/End of Life Care Interventions (R01)

**Deadline: Monday, 10/10** This FOA seeks to stimulate research that tests optimal end-of-life and palliative care (EOLPC) interventions/models of care that are based on individual- and family-centered outcomes. The testing of EOLPC interventions and models of care are urgently needed that address racial, ethnic and/or cultural diversity in children and adults for those with serious, advanced illness. Trials are needed to test efficacy and effectiveness of these interventions and/or models of care. [Read more...]

View all active DOM-specific opportunities

Search on your own
Congratulations to the Department of Medicine Faculty Research Award nominees!
The winners of these research awards, as well as clinical and service awards, will be announced at Celebratory Grand Rounds on Tuesday, 6/21 at 12 p.m. in the Emory University Hospital auditorium (2nd floor, E-wing).
Outstanding Scientific Citation Award - Basic Research: David Green (Pulmonary), Janet Klein (Renal Medicine), F. Eun-Hyung Lee (Pulmonary), Jau-Yi Li (Endocrinology), Alberto Moreno (Infectious Diseases), S. Tanveer Rab (Cardiology), Viranuj Sueblinvong (Pulmonary)
Outstanding Scientific Citation Award - Clinical/Translational Research: Jonathan Colasanti (Infectious Diseases), Sushma Cribbs (Pulmonary), Ihab Hajjar (General Medicine and Geriatrics)
R. Wayne Alexander Excellence in Research Award: Arshed Quyyumi (Cardiology), Ignacio Sanz (Rheumatology), Guillermo Umpierrez (Endocrinology), Susan Wall (Renal Medicine), C. Chris Yun (Digestive Diseases)
Shanthi V. Sittaraman Silver Pear Mentorship Award - Research Area: Mary Ball (General Medicine and Geriatrics), Ted Johnson (General Medicine and Geriatrics), Mark Mulligan (Infectious Diseases)

Congratulations to the Pulmonary Division’s 12th annual Research Symposium award winners!
Best Oral Presentation: Joshua Chandler
Best Poster Presentation - Basic Research: Jolyn Fernandes
Best Poster Presentation - Clinical Research: Shea Cochi
Read more...

Peter Wilson (Cardiology)
Dr. Wilson gave the Council on Epidemiology and the Society of Preventive Cardiology William B. Kannel, MD Memorial Lecture in Preventive Cardiology at the AHA EPI | Lifestyle 2016 Scientific Sessions in March.

Submit a suggestion for the Congratulatory Corner

This Week's Division Research Seminars

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Recent Notable Publications*

**Nanette Wenger (Cardiology)**

**Srihari Veeraraghavan (Pulmonary)**

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**Bhavin Adhyaru, Terry Jacobson (General Medicine and Geriatrics)**

*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

Learn about mandatory training requirements for Emory, Grady, CHOA, and the Atlanta VAMC, as well as what the Research Administration Services teams expect of the study team, at **Research Matters**
Thursday, 5/19 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Emory University Hospital Auditorium, 2nd floor, E-wing. The Office for Clinical Research hosts bi-monthly Research Matters educational events to update the Emory clinical research community on new regulations, policies, and procedures. This month’s speakers include Bridget Strong, MBA, CCRP, Emily Smotherman, Nakela Jackson, and Jill Allen. Up to 1.5 of Continuing Medical Education (CME) hours available. [View registration information](#) | [Read more (PDF)...](#)

**CFAR Special Seminar**:
"Vaccine design to induce broadly neutralizing antibody cells"
Monday, 5/23 at 6 p.m. Claudia Nance Rollins Building, room 1000. The CFAR Immunology Core proudly presents this special seminar from Dr. William Schief (Scripps Research Institute). Snacks will be served before the seminar. [Register](#)

“Microengineered systems to emulate lung pathophysiology”
Wednesday, 5/25 from 12 to 1 p.m. Presented by the Pediatric Research Alliance with a special talk by Kambez H. Benam, D.Phil (Wyss Institute for Biologically Inspired Engineering Harvard University). Lunch will be served at the beginning of the seminar. [RSVP](#) | [Read more (PDF)...](#)

**Georgia Bio Innovation Summit**
Wednesday, 9/28. Cobb Galleria, Atlanta, GA. The annual Georgia Bio Innovation Summit (previously the Life Sciences Summit) provides a forum for Georgia’s bioscience community from industry, academia and government to discuss major trends and issues, including topics related to scientific research, product development, financing, business development and public policy. [Read more...](#)

[Submit an event to be featured here](#)
Virginia Shaffer, MD

Featured abstract presenter at tomorrow’s 3rd annual Advancing Health Care Quality Research at Emory event

Dr. Shaffer is an Assistant Professor of Surgery with board certification in General Surgery and Colon and Rectal Surgery. She specializes in the laparoscopic and open surgical treatment of diseases of the colon and rectum. Her research interests include health services research and translational research. She holds an IND for fecal microbiota transplantation in post-surgical patients. At tomorrow’s event, Dr. Shaffer will present her abstract submission, entitled "Home health pilot decreases readmissions in high-risk ileostomy patients." View schedule.

In her free time, she enjoys reading fiction and spending time with her family.

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