Wednesday, June 1, 2016

Announcements

Revised training requirements for investigators and research coordinators conducting FDA-regulated clinical trials at Emory
Effective today, 6/1, Emory will move online training modules from Emory’s ELMS system to the CITI (Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative) Good Clinical Practice environment, limit the mandatory training to those conducting FDA-regulated clinical trials at Emory to reduce the burden on those performing social and behavioral research, and extend continuing education to every three years to harmonize with the VA, CHOA, and IRB. Please review the rest of this communication (PDF) from Dr. Jeffrey Lennox, Associate Dean of Clinical Research (Emory login required).

Researcher Pharmacy registration renewal required by Thursday, 6/30
All researchers holding a Researcher Pharmacy registration from Georgia Board of Pharmacy must renew by Thursday, 6/30 (remember that this registration is considered a facility license, not a person license). Researchers must maintain active status of their registration to lawfully possess dangerous drugs or controlled substances using the Researcher Pharmacy registration. View Emory policy | Questions?

Planning to submit a career development award proposal in the next 6-9 months?
All postdocs, instructors, assistant professors (and equivalent) are invited to join Dr. Janet Gross for a free, no-credit, two-class tutorial on NIH K, VA CDA, and other career development awards on Thursday, 7/28 and Thursday, 8/4 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. in room 178P of the School of Medicine Building. Candidates submitting new proposals for the October NIH deadline or the November resubmission deadline are encouraged to attend. Read more and enroll (PDF).

Application deadline extended: Broadening Experiences in Scientific Training (BEST) Program
Application deadline: Friday, 6/3
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. Questions? | Read more…

A few spots remain: Communities Happy Hour
Deadline to RSVP: Thursday, 6/2
Join the Department of Medicine’s Research Community at the Communities Happy Hour on Friday, 6/3 at 5:30 p.m. at Three Taverns Craft Brewery to sample some of their Decatur-made beer and have a few snacks. This event is free for Community members. Each member may bring one guest (pro-rated fee of $5 is payable at the event). What are Communities?

Help save the HIV Research Network at AHRQ
Deadline: Monday, 6/6
You may wish to sign this letter advocating for the restoration of funding for the HIV Research Network (HIVRN), which was eliminated from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) in FY16. HIVRN is a unique source comprised of 18 clinical research sites that provides information on service utilization, disparities, cost-effectiveness and quality of HIV care in the U.S. Read more… Participation in this letter is completely voluntary, and as the letter is not affiliated with the Department of Medicine (DOM), it does not necessarily reflect the views of DOM or its leadership.

NIH Request of Proposal (RFP) announcement: Pre-clinical models of infectious diseases Read more…
**Funding and Award Opportunities**

**Weekly NIH funding opportunities and notices**

**Federal funding opportunities for public health faculty**

**Keck Foundation: W.M. Keck Foundation Request for Abstracts**

**Deadline: Friday, 7/1** The Keck Foundation Research Program seeks to benefit humanity by supporting projects in two research areas—medical research and science and engineering research—that are distinctive and novel in their approach, question the prevailing paradigm, or have the potential to break open new territory in their field. Read more...

**American Diabetes Association: Pathway Grants**

**Deadline: Friday, 7/1** Pathway seeks exceptional nominees from a broad range of disciplines, including medicine, biology, chemistry, engineering, mathematics and physics. The Association encourages nomination of individuals from diverse backgrounds, including minorities that are underrepresented in research. Read more...

**NIAID-NIH: RFP Pre-Clinical Models of Infectious Diseases**

**Deadline: Wednesday, 7/13** The NIAID and NIH support research related to the basic understanding of microbiology and immunology leading to the development of vaccines, therapeutics, and medical diagnostics for the prevention, treatment, and diagnosis of infectious and immune-mediated diseases. The NIAID, Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (DMID) has a requirement to provide and develop animal models in order to advance our understanding of infectious diseases as well as advance the development of therapeutics and vaccines for infectious diseases. Read more...

**Bone and Joint Initiative USA: Young Investigators Initiative Grant Mentoring & Career Development Program**

**Deadline: Friday, 7/15** The USBJI Research Committee offers a grant mentoring program and career development program consisting of workshops to provide early-career basic and clinical investigators an opportunity to work with experienced researchers in our field to assist them in securing funding and other survival skills required for pursuing an academic career. Read more...

**NIH: HIV/AIDS Vaccine Facility**

**Deadline: Monday, 8/1** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications from qualified academic institutions to apply for support to upgrade existing functioning space to Current Good Manufacturing Practice (CGMP) standards for production of next generation candidates for HIV/AIDS vaccines, with the goal of creating sufficient quantities of immunogens to conduct Phase I clinical trials. Read more...

**Reminder: NIH: Aging Research to Address Health Disparities**

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

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Kari Esbensen, Christopher O'Donnell (Hospital Medicine)
Congratulations to Drs. Esbensen and O'Donnell, this year's Fostering the Academic Mission in the Emory Department of Medicine (FAME) Grant awardees! This grant program provides support for clinician faculty in the Department of Medicine to dedicate up to 20% of their professional time to scholarly activity including research, education, quality improvement projects and mentoring. Read more...

Michael Lloyd (Cardiology)
Dr. Lloyd received clinical trial funding for “Product surveillance registry” from Medtronic, Inc., and “Expanding MRI access for patients with new and existing ICDs and CRT-Ds (ENABLE MRI)” from Boston Scientific Corporation.

Submit a suggestion for the Congratulatory Corner

This Week's Division Research Seminars
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<th>Thu 6/2</th>
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<th>Infectious Diseases Seminar: “Female genital tract microbe composition and compartmental antiretroviral drug exposure in HIV-infected women” (Rene Donahue Carlson) Rita Anne Rollins Room, 8th Floor, Grace Cum Rollins Building, SPH</th>
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<td>Fri 6/3</td>
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<td>Clinical Research Conference: “Profiling the effects of moderate distance recreational running and aging on cardiac physiology: results from the P.E.A.C.H. Study” (Jonathan Kim) Emory University Hospital, Hurst Conference Room E450</td>
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Recent Notable Publications*

Habib Samady (Cardiology)

Cecile Lahiri, Anandi Sheth, Aswani Vunnava, Igbo Ofotokun (Infectious Diseases)

Arshed Quyyumi, Salim Hayek (Cardiology)

Arash Grakoui, David Weiss (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

Vaccine “Dinnerless” Club: “Hit me with your best shot - human in vitro modeling coupled with systems biology to inform age-specific precision vaccines”
Wednesday, 6/1 from 6-7:45 p.m. Room 1000, Claudia Nance Rollins Building. Join the Vaccine Dinner Club, which will not be having dinner this month, for their final meeting for the summer. Dr. Ofer Levy from Harvard Medical School will be speaking. Register

“Emerging role of B cells and post translational modifications in autoimmune diabetes”
Thursday, 6/2 at 4 p.m. SOM 170. Please join us and attend a presentation given by Dr. Massimo Pietropaolo, candidate for the position of Director for the Center for Diabetes and Metabolism Research. Questions?

 Reminder: “Skin microbiome and wound healing: bacteria and beyond”
Friday, 6/3 at 3 p.m. Claudia Nance Rollins Building, room 3001. Betsy Grice from the University of Pennsylvania will give this talk, which will be followed by a happy hour jointly sponsored by the HERCULES Exposome Center and the Emory Integrated Core Facilities. RSVP

 Reminder: 2016 Celebratory Grand Rounds
Tuesday, 6/21 at 12 p.m. Emory University Hospital Auditorium, 2nd floor, E-wing. Please join us to congratulate our 2016 Department of Medicine Faculty Award winners and celebrate accomplishments from the academic year. View award nominees

Submit an event to be featured here

Highlighted Researchers

W. Robert Taylor, Rebecca Levit, Young-Sup Yoon (Cardiology)
Researchers in Emory University School of Medicine’s regenerative medicine program are working to develop new therapies for cardiovascular disease. Emory Department of Medicine Executive Vice Chair and Cardiology Division Director W. Robert Taylor, MD, PhD; Rebecca Levit, MD; and Young-sup Yoon, MD, PhD discuss the program in this short video. “We’re trying to go beyond traditional drug therapies, and novel approaches where we use the body’s own repair system to repair itself,” said Dr. Taylor. “[We’re trying to] harness the stem cells that are in your body—the ones that are normally there in your bone marrow and in your heart tissue and in your fat tissue—take those cells and help your body to repair itself... The next horizon in therapy for cardiovascular disease is really to repair and replace the disease tissues, and that’s the goal of regenerative medicine.” Watch video...
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