~PLEASE JOIN US~

4th Annual UMass Center for Clinical & Translational Science (UMCCTS) Research Retreat

Wednesday, May 8, 2013
Albert Sherman Center
University of Massachusetts Medical School-Worcester Campus

Keynote Speaker: Paul M. Ridker, MD
Director, Center for Cardiovascular Disease Prevention
Eugene Braunwald Professor of Medicine
Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA

Registration and complete program information will be available April 8, 2013

Stay informed at our UMCCTS website: http://www.umassmed.edu/ccts

CALL FOR POSTERS

Call for Posters at the 4th Annual UMass Center for Clinical & Translational Science Research Retreat (see above)

Poster Abstracts are due on: March 22, 2013 by 5:00 PM (EST) to: Wanda DePasquale (wanda.depasquale@umassmed.edu)

Full instructions for Poster Abstract submissions at:
http://www.umassmed.edu/CCTS/Call_for_Posters_2013/index.aspx

CALL FOR PROPOSALS for PILOT PROJECTS
UMCCTS Community Engagement and Research Section

The Community Engagement and Research Section of the UMass Center for Clinical & Translational Science is issuing a call for proposals for pilot projects in the area of community translational research. Two or three pilot projects will be funded at $12,000 in direct costs each for an eleven-month period.

Optional Webinars: The community engagement and Research Section will offer two webinars. The purpose of these 60 minute webinars are to provide further detail about this funding
opportunity, answer questions, and share the experience of current grantees. Webinars will take place:

**Thursday, March 7 from noon-1:00 pm** - “Tips for Developing a 2013 Community Engagement Research Proposal”, Suzanne Cashman, ScD, Chioma Nnaji, MPH, MEd, Sherry Patoto, PhD

**Thursday, May 9, 2013 from noon-1:00 pm** - “Improving Success for Funding: Strategies to Maximize the Impact of Your Pilot Work”, Stephenie Lemon, PhD

To register for either or both webinars: [www.umassmed.edu/ccts/community](http://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/community)

**Deadline for Pilot Project Proposals is:** Monday, April 1, 2013

For instructions and complete information: [http://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/community](http://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/community)

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### Request for Applications

Global Health Pilot Project Grants & Travel Awards Announcement

The Office of Global Health invites the submission of proposals focused on the development or expansion of global health training or research projects. Two types of grant awards are available: **Pilot Project Grants and Travel Awards**.

Additional details are available on line [http://www.umassmed.edu/globalhealth/grants.aspx](http://www.umassmed.edu/globalhealth/grants.aspx)

Questions may be directed to OGH Program Coordinator, Jessica Chang (jessica.chang@umassmed.edu) or 508-856-2840

**Deadline for submissions is April 1st, 2013.**

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### UMass Women’s History Month Program

Celebrating Women in Science and Academic Medicine

**FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**

**Debra A. Schwinn, MD**

Dean of the Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine and Professor of Anesthesiology, Pharmacology & Biochemistry

University of Iowa

"LEADERSHIP IN THE ERA OF HEALTHCARE REFORM"

**Thursday, March 7, 2013**

12:00 noon to 1:00 pm

The Cube (3rd Floor) Albert Sherman Center

UMMS Worcester campus

Please RSVP to: Fernanda.gamma@umassmed.edu
Bioinformatics Core and Program in Bioinformatics and Integrative Biology
An Informal Discussion

Sabah Kadri (Garber Lab)
“CHEAP RNASEQ: COMPUTATIONAL PIPELINE FOR END-SEQUENCE RNA-SEQ QUANTIFICATION”

Jenny Chen (Garber-Regev Lab)
“EVOLUTION OF LONG NON-CODING RNAs IN MAMMALS”

Friday, March 8, 2013
11:00 AM
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

Co-Hosts: Drs. Manual Garber and Zhiping Weng

Third Annual F.J. Aspinwall Symposium
Healthcare on the Verge

FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
ERIC W. DICKSON, MD, MHCM, FACEP
President and CEO, UMass Memorial Healthcare
Professor of Emergency Medicine, UMass Medical School

"DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH: HOW THE BEST HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS ARE DELIVERING VALUE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES"

Wednesday, March 20, 2013
12:00 noon to 6:00 pm
WPI Campus Center
100 Institute Road, Worcester, MA

To register and for complete information: [http://www.wpi.edu/research/hdi/sympos89.html](http://www.wpi.edu/research/hdi/sympos89.html)

A new and exciting element of our symposium this year is an Innovation Showcase, featuring faculty and student research and projects related to healthcare delivery innovation. The goal is to showcase faculty expertise and explore potential collaborative opportunities. The showcase will run from approximately 4:30-6:00 pm on March 20.

You’re Invited to Join...
Research Career & Writing Group (“K-Award” writing group)

The Research Career Award Writing Group (“K-Award” writing group), established in 2007, is co-lead by Drs. Douglas Ziedonis and Sherry Pagoto. Most faculty who participate and apply for a research career award have been very successful in getting funded (>80% success). The Group meets monthly to provide information and feedback on academic career development and on
preparing a Research Career Award application (NIH K Awards, VA Research Career Awards, CTSA K12 grants, etc.).

Please check out the website for complete details at: http://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/K-Club/index.aspx

Interested in joining? To become a member, please contact Ms. Denise Barrett, Executive Assistant to Dr. Ziedonis at denise.barrett@umassmemorial.org

The next scheduled meeting is March 7 at 3:30 pm.

Massachusetts Medical Device Development Center (M2D2)
2nd Annual New Venture Competition Showcase
Sponsored by Nutter McClennen & Fish, LLP

M2D2 is hosting a New Venture Competition Showcase Event on Wednesday, March 27, 2013. Novel medical device technologies will be presented, followed by a poster and networking session.

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES
refreshments
AND
ENTRANCE INTO THE M2D2 NEW VENTURE COMPETITION AWARDS ON APRIL 10, 2013 TO BE HELD AT NUTTER, McCLENNEN & FISH LLP

This event will feature presentations and posters by medical device start-up companies that have entered the M2D2 New Venture Competition. Applicants will compete for a chance to win a total of $20,000 in M2D2 Services including: Engineering Services, Business School Services, Medical School Services and legal services from Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP.

To register and for complete information: https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?llr=9q7bghcab&oecd=a07e72cr94p81aa1165&oseq=a021uugx0uffcg

The Capital Network: Regulatory 101 at M2D2

M2D2, in conjunction with The Capital Network, invites you to be our guest at a lunch and presentation on Tuesday, March 19th from Noon-1:30PM at M2D2. Halloran Consulting will present on Regulatory Affairs.

To register and for complete information: http://www.thecapitalnetwork.org/events/regulatory-101/

UMass Medical School and Dartmouth College sign IRB Reliance Agreement

As CTSA's partner with other institutions, we are looking for ways to streamline the process. The purpose of this IRB Reliance Agreement is to allow the Institutional Review Boards (IRB) at
Dartmouth College and UMass Medical School to rely on one another for review and continuing oversight of human subject research conducted at their performance sites. This Agreement seeks to reduce duplicative IRB review and promote collaboration by, between, and among investigators at the two participating institutions. While not all studies will be eligible for single IRB review, our hope is that this agreement will reduce duplicative IRB review and accelerate collaborative research efforts between the participating institutions.

For more information about this new agreement, please contact Michael Centola, IRB Manager, UMMS at michael.centola@umassmed.edu or 508-856-5324

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**Upcoming Courses at Harvard Catalyst**

**Advanced Imaging: Imaging in Neuroscience April 8-10, 2013**
A three-day course in advanced imaging modalities to help researchers utilize imaging technology in neuroscience.

*Application closes March 14, 2013.*
[http://catalyst.harvard.edu/services/adv-imaging-courses/neuro.html](http://catalyst.harvard.edu/services/adv-imaging-courses/neuro.html)

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**2013 Ernest A. Lynton Award for the Scholarship of Engagement for Early Career Faculty**
*Sponsored by the New England Resource Center for Higher Education (NERCHE)*

The annual Ernest A. Lynton Award for the Scholarship of Engagement for Early Career Faculty recognizes a faculty member who is pre-tenure at tenure-granting campuses or early career (i.e., within the first six years) at campuses with long-term contracts and who connects his or her teaching, research, and service to community engagement.

Nominators will submit nominations via an online application. To submit an application and for additional information:

*Application Deadline: Friday, April 26, 2013, at 5:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)*

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**Translational Science 2013 Conference:**
*Increasing the Value of your Research through Team Science*

**April 17-19, 2013**
Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC

For more information: [www.translationalsciencemeeting.org](http://www.translationalsciencemeeting.org)

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**NIH Funding Opportunity Announcements**

**Opportunities for Collaborative Research at the NIH Clinical Center (U01)**

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*Please remember to cite the CTSA Grant UL1TR000161 in all journal publications.*