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**CENTER FOR CLINICAL AND
TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE**

October 2017 Newsletter

FUNDING

UMCCTS-Voyager Pilot Project Program 2018

Letters of Intent due December 8, 2017

The UMCCTS, in collaboration with Voyager Therapeutics, is announcing a new round of Pilot Project Programs (PPPs) focused on understanding and optimizing recombinant adeno-associated viral (rAAV) vectors for therapeutic use.

Full details, including the how to submit a proposal, are available here - <https://umassmed.edu/ccts/funding/Voyager-Therapeutics-PPP/>

Science2Startup

Proposals due November 15, 2017

[Science2Startup](#) (S2S) is an invitation-only event for biotech entrepreneurship co-organized by [Atlas Venture](#), [F-Prime Capital](#) and [SV Health Investors](#) to foster a new generation of therapeutic startups.

Submit a proposal directly on the website, www.science2startup.com, by November 15, 2017 for a chance to present at the event (April 24th, 2018) and work with experienced biotech venture capitalists and entrepreneurs at leading biotech startups to further refine the drug discovery plan and company strategy.

Further details regarding submissions and the review process are provided on the website, and you can also read more about the event [here](#).

If you have any questions contact: info@science2startup.com .

2017 Boehringer Ingelheim Innovation Prize

Applications must be submitted by end of business, Friday November 17th, 2017.

We are proud to announce the 2017 Boehringer Ingelheim Innovation Prize. This year's prize is a Golden Ticket to Lab Central, valued at \$75,000.

The Innovation Prize is part of BI's Grass Roots program (<https://www.boehringer-ingelheim.us/partnering/how-we-engage/supporting-grass-roots-innovators>), an initiative that began three years ago in Cambridge, as a means to support early stage companies and entrepreneurs.

For more information on how to submit an application for the Innovation Prize, please **register** at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-boehringer-ingelheim-innovation-prize-tickets-39233335964>

UMCCTS Request for Applications - TL1 Training Program

The UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science (UMCCTS) and UMMS Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences is pleased to offer the Post-doctoral Fellowship (TL1) Training Program. One (1) post-doc slot is currently available.

Letters of Intent are due January 15, 2018 to ccts@umassmed.edu

For more information please see: <https://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/education/t-training-program/>

EVENTS

Who: Wade Harper, PhD, Chair and Professor of Cell Biology, Bert and Natalie Vallee Professor of Molecular Biology, Harvard Medical School

What: Ubiquitinating Signalling for Selective Autophagy

Where: Lazare Research Building, 5th floor Conference Room 516, UMMS

When: Tuesday, 11/7/2017, 11AM

More information: Nina Maillet, Nina.Maillet@umassmed.edu

Who: M2D2 Medical Device Innovations Program pitch competition and reception

What: This program supports inter-campus, transdisciplinary projects to solve a pressing clinical or health care need with a medical device. Five teams made of up of faculty from UMMS and UMass-Lowell will pitch their ideas to a team of judges, followed by a networking reception.

Where: UMMS School Building, S6-213

When: Thursday, 11/9/2017 from 5-8PM

Click here to register (it's free!):

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/medical-device-innovation-pitch-competition-tickets-39299305280>

Who: Michael Greenberg, PhD., Nathan Marsh Pusey Prof. of Neurobiology; Chair, Dept of Neuobiology, Harvard Medical School

What: Sensory-dependent signaling networks regulating synapses, neural circuits, and cognitive function

Where: Molecular Medicine Seminar Room, 3rd Floor Biotech Two

When: Thursday, 11/9/2017, 4PM

More information: Lisa Smith, lisa.smith@umassmed.edu

Who: Translational Research Day 2017

What: Sensors, Devices, and Biomarkers in Medicine

Where: Sackler Center, Room 114, at Tufts University School of Medicine.

When: Tuesday, November 14th from 8:30AM – 4:00PM

More information: <http://www.tuftsctsi.org/events/translational-research-day-2017-sensors-and-biomarkers-in-medicine>

What: "K Club 2.0"

For post-docs and junior faculty preparing K-level grants

When: Monday, November 6 from 12-1 pm

Where: Rm S1-605, Library Conference Room inside of the Lamar Soutter Library, UMMS

What: **Pathway to Independence (PI) Working Group.** For people preparing NIH R- or equivalent independent grant applications.

Where: AS9-2072, Albert Sherman Center, UMMS

When: Ad hoc meetings; see website for more information: <https://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/education/pi-club/>

Call for Breakout Session Proposals at the

2018 7th Annual UMCCTS Community Engagement and Research Symposium

Friday, March 9, 2018; 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

UMass Medical School, Worcester, MA

Breakout Session Proposals Due: Thursday, November 30, 2017, 5:00 PM

Theme suggestions for Breakout Sessions include: health disparities, underserved populations, patient-centered communication, community clinic partnerships, social media, environmental health, obtaining funding, methods and tools for community engaged research, specific diseases or conditions, prevention, health promotion, implementation and dissemination research.

[Please visit this link to view previous sessions.](#)

Please submit your proposal via email to: communityengagement@umassmed.edu with the following information:

- Title of the breakout session
- Name(s) and affiliation of moderator(s)
- List of breakout session presenters with email/phone
- Background and purpose of the breakout session
- Anticipated format, including a description of how you will interact with the audience

Questions? Email Communityengagement@umassmed.edu

For more information, visit our website: www.umassmed.edu/ccts/community