Did You Know?
CCTS Network Partner Auburn University is investing $5 million in 11 groundbreaking research projects designed to deliver practical, life-changing solutions. Funded for three years by the Presidential Awards for Interdisciplinary Research (PAIR) initiative stood up by Auburn President Dr. Steven Leath, the projects include creating better biomedical implants for patients in need using 3D printing; building a mobile mitochondria lab (AU Mitomobile) to measure bioenergetics in natural settings; establishing sustainable research structure in east-central Alabama to assess psychosocial stressors that can contribute to lower life expectancy and faster progression of age-related diseases in rural African Americans; reducing and reusing carbon dioxide emissions for useful means; reducing the burden of neurological disease by increasing fundamental knowledge about the brain and nervous system; and developing therapies to improve outcomes for patients with non-alcoholic steatotic hepatitis (NASH). More

Featured Video

I-Corps@NCATS Webinar
Does your science matter? CCTS Executive Council Member and UAB Collat School of Business Associate Dean for Research, Innovation, and Faculty Success Dr. Molly Wasko not only explains why you should care about that question, but also introduces you to an evidence-based program called I-Corps@NCATS, which will ensure the answer is "Yes!" for your protocol, intervention, or project. Register for the next five-week Regional Short Course or our upcoming three-week Bootcamp.
Our popular eight-week mentoring series relaunches on Wednesday, Sept. 5, with new topics on authorship and cultivating ethics. Discover new strategies for navigating nuanced mentor-mentee relationships and earn a certificate documenting Excellence in Mentoring, a career-enhancing skill. All sessions are facilitated by experienced UAB mentors and open to the CCTS Partner Network. More

Save the Date for Community Engagement Institute 2018
Mark your calendar for Friday, October 12, and join us for "Building Bridges for Better Health through Engaging Communities." Our 5th annual CEI will take place at a new location: the Hyatt Regency Hotel & Conference Center in Hoover, AL. Stay tuned to CCTS Digest for additional details, including a call for presentations and posters and registration information. More

Fall 2018 CCTS Research Training Program Accepting Applications
What does it take to excel in today's dynamic clinical research environment? Our six-week training answers this question and more, preparing research staff with the basics of implementing and managing a clinical study or trial with an emphasis on Good Clinical Practice (GCP). Useful for those just starting out in research or who seek an update to maintain the highest standards of excellence. More

Funding Opportunities

Enhance Your Research with a CCTS and/or Radiology Imaging Development Voucher
Do you have specimens that need processing, data that need analyzing, or subjects who require dietary, nursing, or regulatory support? Would your project benefit from molecular, functional or anatomic images? The CCTS and UAB Dept. of Radiology voucher programs offer extra support that may help take your research to the next level. Investigators with a full-time faculty appointment at any CCTS Partner institution are encouraged to apply. Each program offers up to $5,000 in direct costs. More

Small Business Innovation Research and Technology Transfer Grants
Applications for PA-18-574 and PA-18-275 should address a range of focus areas relevant to any stage of translation, from target validation through pre-clinical and clinical evaluation, to intervention implementation and dissemination. Applications due Sept. 5. More

CCTS Radiology Pilot Research Initiative
In collaboration with the UAB Department of Radiology and School of Medicine, the CCTS is requesting pilot study proposals for research projects requiring human imaging on the Highlands 3T, PET/MR, PET/CT, CT, and/or Small Animal Imaging on the 9.4T, MRI, Micro PET/CT, etc. The intent of the Pilot Initiative is to promote pre-clinical and clinical research projects and so acquire data that can be used in publications and extramural grant applications. Application due Sept. 21. More
CCTS Drop-In Clinics
Join us for the weekly Monday Drop-In Clinic for free consultations in Biostats, Epidemiology and Research Design. No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.

Aug. 20 | 10am-2pm | Edge of Chaos | More

CCTS Drop-In Clinics
Join us for the fourth Wednesday Drop-In Clinics for free consultations in Biostats, Epidemiology and Research Design. No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.

Aug. 22 | 11:30am-1pm | PCAMS | More

4th Annual AURIC (Auburn University Research Initiative in Cancer) Symposium
Researchers from various disciplines across the Auburn campus and from other organizations will present findings from current investigations in cancer research. There also will be speakers on the various topics related to AURIC projects and collaborations. Registration required.

Aug. 24-25 | Opelika, AL | More

Upcoming Events

Case Studies in Mentoring: Maintaining Effective Communication
Registration requested
Sept. 5 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

Special Topics in Clinical Trials: Preparing for an FDA Audit: What You Should Know
Sept. 6 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2
Registration required. Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.
Sept. 6 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A

CCTS Research Training Program
Registration required
Sept. 11 - Oct. 16 | 7:45am-12pm | PCAMS

CCTS I-Corps Bootcamp
Registration required
Sept. 12 | 8am-12pm | Nielsen Innovation Lab, CSB 109

Case Studies in Mentoring: Aligning Mentor/Mentee Expectations
Registration requested
Sept. 12 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

Case Studies in Mentoring: Assessing Mentee Understanding
Registration requested
Sept. 19 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

Alabama Drug Discovery Alliance Symposium
Registration required by Sept. 17
Sept. 20 | 8:30am-12pm | Southern Research
UAB Center for Exercise Medicine Science Communication Workshop
Registration required
Sept. 20 | 11:45am-1pm | Hill Student Center | UAB

Special Topics in Clinical Trials: How to Create Source Documents
Sept. 20 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

UAB Center for Exercise Medicine REACT Clinical Trials Workshop
Registration required
Sept. 20 | 2-4pm | Hill Student Center | UAB

6th Annual UAB Center for Exercise Medicine Symposium
Registration required
Sept. 21 | 8am-2pm | Hill Student Center | UAB

I-Corps@NCATS Regional Short Course Kick-off Workshop - UC Davis
Registration required by Sept. 4
Sept. 21 | 9am-4pm | Davis, CA

Case Studies in Mentoring: Addressing Equity and Inclusion
Registration requested
Sept. 26 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

UAB Research Orientation Program
Registration required
Sept. 27 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2
Registration required, Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.
Sept. 27 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A

NCATS Day 2018: Engaging Patients and Communities for Smarter Science
Sept. 28 | 9am-4:30pm | NIH | Bethesda, MD

6th Annual Immunogenomics Conference
Oct. 1-3 | HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology | Huntsville, AL

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2
Registration required, Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.
Oct. 9 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A

Case Studies in Mentoring: Cultivating Ethical Behaviors
Registration requested
Oct. 10 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

5th Annual Community Engagement Institute
Building Bridges for Better Health through Engaging Communities
Oct. 12 | 8am-5pm | Hyatt Regency Hotel | Hoover, AL

Case Studies in Mentoring: Establishing an Authorship Policy
Registration requested
Oct. 17 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

I-Corps@NCATS Regional Short Course Kick-off Workshop - UMass
Registration required by Sept. 17
Oct. 23 | 9am-4pm | UMass

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2
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Oct. 23 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A
Case Studies in Mentoring: Fostering Independence
Registration requested
Oct. 24 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS

Case Studies in Mentoring: Promoting Professional Development
Registration requested
Oct. 31 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | GoToMeeting Available

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2
Registration required. Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.
Nov. 15 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A

Complete listing of CCTS events