CCTS has received two NCATS diversity awards this year. The recipients are assistant professors Stephen H. Grey, MD, and Mercedes Morales-Alemán, PhD, of UAB and University of Alabama, respectively. Dr. Grey's research ensures culturally and ethnically appropriate assessment strategies for liver transplant candidates; Dr. Morales-Alemán studies the social determinants of sexual health and risk in young women of color. Learn more about applying for the NCATS diversity supplement award!

News/Announcements

CCTS Encourages Applications for NCATS Research Diversity Supplements
Low representation of minorities, the disabled, and those from disadvantaged backgrounds in research remains, despite myriad demonstrated benefits. This award provides funding to recruit and support eligible students, postdocs, and investigators from nationally underrepresented groups. More

September CCTS Forum to Feature NIH Study Section Reviewer Advice on Rigor Requirements
Got an hour to improve your next grant score? Spend it with us on Wednesday, Sept. 7th, when NIH study section reviewers from four of our partner institutions will compare notes on enforcing the NIH rigor and reproducibility requirements. More

CCTS Represents in 3rd Annual Heart & Sole 5K
Several CCTS faculty and staff were among the 437 registered participants who helped raise over $21,000 for the student-run free Equal Access Birmingham clinic, which provides health and wellness education and health care to the city’s uninsured and underserved. More

Funding Opportunities

UAB-HudsonAlpha CGM Announces New Postdoc Training Program in Genomic Medicine
The Center for Genomic Medicine (CGM) is accepting applications for a unique opportunity to research and validate new genomic approaches for clinical care, funded by a National Human Genome Research Institute T32 grant. More
Center for Behavioral Health + Smart Technology National Innovation Contest
Solve the University of Pittsburgh CBHST's "Inventor's Dilemma" and win $10,000 and the opportunity to meet with entrepreneurs, investors, and UPMC executives at our November conference! **Apply by Aug. 30, 5pm EST.** [More](#)

CAMBAC Announces New Funding Opportunity
The UAB Comprehensive Arthritis, Musculoskeletal, Bone, and Autoimmunity Center (CAMBAC) is accepting applications for pilot and feasibility funding in research related to arthritis, inflammation, or autoimmunity. **Apply by Sept. 7, 2016.** [More](#)

**Upcoming Events**

Comprehensive Center for Healthy Aging 24th Annual Symposium
Camille Vaughan, MD, MS, will present lunch keynote. Poster competition and oral presentations round out the day. **Sept. 2 | 8:30am-1pm | Hill Student Center | More**

CCTS Forum: Rigor, Reproducibility, & Transparency Revisited
NIH study section reviewers and CCTS experts will update attendees on the latest concerning this new NIH requirement. Refreshments will be provided. Available via GoToMeeting. **Sept. 7 | 4:45-6pm | @PCAMS | More**

UAB Core and Shared Resources Day 2016
Come visit CCTS at Core Day 2016! We will present posters highlighting our many research supports and initiatives. **Sept. 9 | 11am-1pm | Hill University Center Ballroom | More**

PROMISED Program: Career Coaching Workshop
This Professional Mentoring Skills Enhancing Diversity training is geared toward mentors who are passionate about helping mentees from diverse backgrounds drive their careers forward. Lodging and most meals are covered, travel is not. Limited space is available. **Sept. 14-16 | Pittsburgh, PA | RSVP**

UAB 2016 Microbiome Resource Workshop: Beyond the Basics
Dr. Claire M. Fraser, director, Institute for Genome Sciences, University of Maryland, will present. Available via GoToMeeting. [REGISTER](#)

Sept. 14 | 12-5pm | Bevill Biomedical Research Bldg.
Sept. 15 | 12-1pm | Margaret Cameron Spain Auditorium

Auburn's This Is Research: Faculty Symposium
This event seeks to promote connections among researchers and creative scholars and kicks off a creative scholarship showcase **[More](#)**
that runs from Sept. 17-Oct. 2nd. The symposium will take place at the AU Hotel & Conference Center.

**Sept. 16 | 8am-6pm | More**

**UAB Center for Exercise Medicine 4th Annual Symposium**
This free event, cosponsored by the UAB Schools of Medicine and Health Professions, features a trainee poster competition, exhibits of research and training resources, and several expert talks. Breakfast and lunch provided. **Poster abstracts due Friday, Aug. 12.**

**Sept. 22 | Hill University Center | More**

**4th Annual Immunogenomics: Shaping the Future of Human Health**
HudsonAlpha hosts this conference, which will address the microbiome, single cell approaches, epigenomics of immune cells, systems immunobiology, immunodiversity, and more.

**Sept. 26-28, 2016 | Huntsville, AL | More**

**NRMN: Grantwriting Uncovered: Maximizing Strategies, Help, Opportunities, Experiences**
The National Research Mentoring Network's GUMSHOE program is designed to enhance attendee's careers by helping them submit strong biomedical or biobehavioral science research proposals. Each GUMSHOE focuses on a different population.

**Sept. 28-30 | Detroit, MI | MORE**

**Oct. 19-21 | Spokane, WA | MORE**

**4th NanoBio Summit**
A scientific forum for industry professionals, faculty, students, and postdocs from a broad range of disciplines to collaborate, discover, explore commercialization. Foci include nanobioscience, nanoengineering, nanomaterials, and biotech.

**Oct. 13-14, 2016 | Foy Union Bldg, Auburn | More**

**Complete listing of CCTS events**