

October 16, 2017



# CCTS DIGEST

## Center for Clinical and Translational Science

Providing solutions to sharpen science, improve human health, and address disparities and diseases disproportionately represented within the Deep South.



### Did You Know?

Several NCATS Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) or Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) funding opportunities are currently open, including a 2017 Omnibus grant for Phase I, II, IIB, and Fast Track competing renewals as well as grants supporting tool and technology development for single cell analysis, cell line identification, and nucleic acid therapeutics. The next deadline for applications is **Jan. 5, 2018**. [Set up a CCTS Nascent Projects Panel](#) and go for it! [More](#)

## News/Announcements



### CCTS Experts in Disparity Research Make the News

Our CCTS team comprises several investigators who are working hard to move the needle on health disparities, a major focus of the CCTS mission. Join us in cheering on Drs. Mona Fouad, Kenneth Saag, and Isabel Scarinci in their efforts to reduce disparities in obesity, gout, and cancer. [More](#)



### Making Headlines: How Scientists Can Work Successfully with the Media

Our latest Training Interdisciplinary & Emerging Research Scholars (TIERS) event featured UAB Media Relations Specialist Bob Shepard, who discussed how the media works, why scientists should care, and what they need to do (and not do) to ace an interview. [More](#)



### CCTS Thanks Its External Advisory Committee Members, Partner Site and Team Leads, Staff

The CCTS External Advisory Committee (EAC) met last week, gathering for a day-long discussion in preparation for a May 2018 NCATS submission deadline. We thank our six EAC members as well as UAB School of Medicine Dean Selwyn Vickers, MD; UAB Vice President of Research Christopher S. Brown, PhD; NCATS Program Officer Erica Rosemond, PhD; and the CCTS partners, experts, and staff who helped make the meeting a success. [More](#)

## Funding Opportunities

### Alabama Drug Discovery Alliance (ADDA) Drug Discovery Research Award

The ADDA is accepting pre-proposals for two pilot grants of \$50,000 in funding for up to 2 years. Only small molecule-



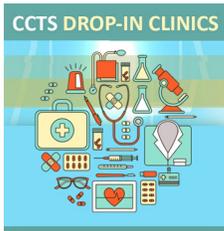
directed efforts are eligible for funding at this time. All UAB and Southern Research investigators are eligible to apply. Applications are due **Thur., Nov. 2, by noon.** [More](#)



### NCATS Collaborative Innovation Award

The Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) hubs promote advances in translational research and training at participating medical research institutions. This funding opportunity will enable innovative collaborations among CTSA hubs to overcome system-wide barriers to translational effectiveness. **Application due Nov. 9 by 5pm.** [More](#)

## This Week's Learning Opportunities



### CCTS BERD Drop-In Clinic

Join us for the weekly Monday Drop-In Clinic for free consultations in **Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Research Design (BERD)**. No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.

**Oct. 16 | 10am-2pm | Edge of Chaos | [More](#)**



### UAB SOPH Epidemiology Seminar Series

Robin Lanzi, PhD, MPH, Professor of UAB Health Behavior and Scott Batey, PhD, MSW, LCSW, PIP, Assistant Professor at UAB Department of Social Work, will discuss "Community Engagement in HIV Social and Behavioral Science Research."

**Oct. 16 | 12-1pm | Ryals Rm 407 | [More](#)**



### Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2

This hands-on training will help investigators learn how to access de-identified patient data, check study feasibility, develop hypotheses, and more. **Registration required.** Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.

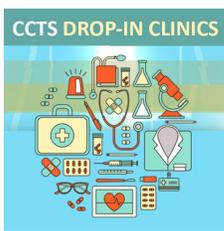
**Oct. 17 | 1-3pm | Cudworth 305 | [More](#)**



### Case Studies in Mentoring: Aligning Mentor/Mentee Expectations

Participation in case-based discussions around key aspects of the mentor-mentee relationship can prepare you to deal smoothly with a variety of common and less common mentoring challenges. Registration requested, walk-ins welcome.

**Oct. 18 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)**  
**Oct. 20 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)**



### CCTS Drop-In Clinics

Join us for the third Wednesday Drop-In Clinics for free consultations in **Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Research Design (BERD), ClinicalTrials.gov Requirements, Institutional Review Board (IRB)**. No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.

**Oct. 18 | 11:30am-1pm | PCAMS | [More](#)**



## UAB-HudsonAlpha Genomic Medicine Seminar Series

Nita Limdi, PharmD, PhD, MSPH, FAHA, Associate Professor of Neurology and Epidemiology at UAB, will discuss...

Oct. 18 | 3-4pm | Kaul Rm 266 | [More](#)



## CCTS Research Seminar Series

Penelope Jester, Meredith Fitz-Gerald, Megan Pickering, Carla Perna, Cari Oliver, Alfreda Lewis, and Renee Clement will discuss "Research 101: Process to Get Started or How To Start a Study Workshop (Steps to Activation)." GoToMeeting available.

Oct. 19 | 11am-1pm | PCAMS | [More](#)

## Upcoming Events

### UAB SOPH Epidemiology Seminar Series: Masked Hypertension: A Surprise That Can Be Surmised?

Oct. 23 | 12-1pm | Ryals Rm 407

### Case Studies in Mentoring: Assessing Mentee Understanding

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

Oct. 25 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)

Oct. 27 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)

### Alabama Drug Discovery Alliance Symposium

**Registration required by Oct. 20**

Oct. 26 | 8am-12pm | School of Health Professions Rm 640

### UAB Research Orientation Program

Registration required

Oct. 26 | 8-12pm | PCAMS

### I-Corps Four Week Training Kickoff

Registration required

Oct. 27 | 9:30-11am | i-Lab at Innovation Depot

### UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center Research Retreat and Research Competition: Metabolism and Cancer

Registration requested

Oct. 30 | 7:30am-5pm | Sheraton Hotel | Birmingham, AL

### UAB SOPH Epidemiology Seminar Series: Genomics in Diverse Populations - Advantages, Limitations, and Future Directions

Oct. 30 | 12-1pm | Ryals Rm 407

### Case Studies in Mentoring: Addressing Equity and Inclusion

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

Nov. 1 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)

Nov. 3 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)

### Research Methods and Secondary Data Analysis Seminar Series: Sociodemographic Patterns of Chronic Disease: How the Mid-South Region Compares to the Rest of the Country

Nov. 2 | 11:45am-1:15pm | Medical Towers 634

### CCTS Research Seminar Series: Recruitment Workshop: Where Do We Find

## the Subjects?

Nov. 2 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GTM available

### Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2

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Nov. 2 | 1-3pm | Cudworth 305 | [Register](#)

Dec. 7 | 1-3pm | Cudworth 305 | [Register](#)

Dec. 19 | 1-3pm | Cudworth 305 | [Register](#)

### Heflin Center for Genomic Science Non-Coding RNA Symposium

Nov. 3 | 8am-3:30pm | Finley Conference Center

### Faculty Development Workshop: Teaching Controversial Topics

Registration required

Nov. 6 | 11:30am-1:30pm | 4:30-6:30pm | Volker Hall Rm 302

### UAB SOPH Epidemiology Seminar Series: The Medical Monitoring Project

Nov. 6 | 12-1pm | Ryals Rm 407

### CCTS Research Seminar Series: Round Table: Brown Bag

Nov. 7 | 12-1pm | West Pavilion Conference Center-B

### Case Studies in Mentoring: Fostering Independence

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

Nov. 8 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)

Nov. 10 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)

### UAB-HudsonAlpha Bioethics Seminar Series

Nov. 8 | 3-4pm | Kaul Rm 266

### UAB SOPH Epidemiology Seminar Series: Oil Spill Studies - Past and Present

Nov. 13 | 12-1pm | Ryals Rm 407

### CCTS Research Seminar Series: Building a Budget

Nov. 14 | 11am-1pm | PCAMS | GTM available

### Case Studies in Mentoring: Promoting Professional Development

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

Nov. 15 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)

Nov. 17 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)

### CCTS Research Seminar Series: Preparing for an FDA Audit: What You Should Know

Nov. 16 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GTM available

### UAB SOPH Epidemiology Seminar Series: Rheumatoid Arthritis in African Americans: Lessons learned from the CLEAR Registry

Nov. 27 | 12-1pm | Ryals Rm 407

### Case Studies in Mentoring: Cultivating Ethical Behavior

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

Nov. 29 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)

Dec. 1 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)

### Case Studies in Mentoring: Articulating Your Mentoring Philosophy & Plan

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

Dec. 6 | 8-9am | PCAMS | [Register](#)

Dec. 8 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [Register](#)

### CCTS Research Seminar Series: ACRES

Dec. 7 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GTM available

**CCTS Research Seminar Series: Round Table: Brown Bag**

Dec. 12 | 12-1pm | West Pavilion Conference Center-B

**UAB-HudsonAlpha Bioethics Seminar Series**

Dec. 13 | 3-4pm | Kaul Rm 266

**CCTS Clinical Trials Lunch & Learn**

Registration required

Dec. 19 | 11:30am-12:45pm | Spain Auditorium

**Complete listing of CCTS events**