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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 Biostats, 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 Biostats, 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
Registration required. Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.
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
Dec. 19 | 11:30am-12:45pm | Spain Auditorium

Registration required

Complete listing of CCTS events