

September 16, 2016

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?

A [new study](#) published by the Neonatal Kidney Collaborative (NKC), an international multidisciplinary collaboration of more than 20 centers led by Dr. David J. Askenazi, director of the UAB Pediatric and Infant Center for Acute Nephrology, finds the amount of protein excreted in the urine of preterm infants with acute kidney injury (AKI) is different from that excreted by infants with healthy kidneys. The finding could lead to better diagnostic tools for AKI, which is associated with a 2.9-fold greater odds of death compared to infants without AKI. Of note, 13 of the 20+ institutions are CTSA's. [More](#)

News/Announcements



Deadline to Submit Proposals for 3rd Annual CEI Extended!

Don't miss this opportunity to present a workshop session or poster addressing health equity and social justice issues at the annual Community Engagement Institute, which will take place at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex (BJCC) on Friday, Oct. 14. **Proposals are due by 5pm Friday, Sept. 23.** [More](#)



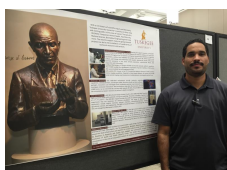
Registration Open for Fall 2016 Research Training Program

Covering all the basics required to excel in today's dynamic clinical research environment, this CCTS training is ideal for research staff and anyone wishing a refresher in **Good Clinical Practice**, among other topics. CEUs available for licensed nurses. [More](#)



Share Your Thoughts! CCTS Conducting Informatics Survey

CCTS provides a wide variety of informatics resources to facilitate research. Which do you use? What other informatics tools, databases, and/or services are on your wishlist? Take a few minutes to let us know, we want to hear from you. [More](#)



CCTS & Partners Dominate at UAB 2016 Core & Shared Resources Day

With 10 posters out of a field of 74, CCTS ruled the aisles at the Hill Student Center Ballroom. Many thanks to our CCTS Partners who participated, including Auburn University, Tuskegee University, and University of Alabama. [More](#)



CCTS Launches 2017 Partner Network Multidisciplinary Pilot

The CCTS annual pilot program funds new interdisciplinary clinical and translational projects that are consistent with the CCTS mission and show promise for growing into mature research programs. Investigators with a faculty appointment at a CCTS partner institution encouraged to apply. The first step is to request a Letter of Intent (LOI) form from Dr. Jennifer Croker, executive administrator, CCTS Research Commons. **LOIs are due October 17, 2016, 5pm CT. [More](#)**



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](#)**



NCATS Announces Funding for Repurposing Therapeutics

This new UH2/UH3 award is to support pre-clinical studies to repurpose existing drugs or biologics that have already begun or completed a Phase I trial. Proposals must use innovative processes to identify the therapeutic/indication pair (e.g., crowdsourcing, big data, computational algorithms). **LOI by Oct. 10, 2016. [More](#)**



CCTS Encourages Applications to NCATS Research Diversity Supplement

Low representation of minority groups in research remains, despite demonstrated benefits of inclusion. This award provides funding to recruit and support students, postdocs, and investigators from nationally underrepresented groups. **Internal deadline for proposals is Dec. 1, 2016. [More](#)**

Upcoming Events



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 that runs from Sept. 17-Oct. 2nd. The symposium will take place at the AU Hotel & Conference Center.

Sept. 16 | 8am-6pm | [More](#)



CCTS TIERS: Team Conflict Management

Dr. David A. Rogers, professor, UAB Dept. of Surgery, and senior associate dean of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development, will present. Conflict is inevitable even on research teams; learn how best to handle it.

Sept. 21 | 5:00-6:00pm | PCAMS | [REGISTER](#)



UAB Research Orientation Program

New to research? Need to earn 4 AMA PRA Category 1 credits? Register for this event today! This basic overview of the clinical, regulatory, and financial aspects for conducting a research study is offered every 4th Thursday monthly.



Faculty Onboarding Workshop: "Success in Research at UAB"
Cosponsored by the UAB School of Medicine and Office of Senior Vice Provost, this workshop will provide an overview of best practices associated with conducting research at UAB. Will address IRB, CCTS, and other research entities.

Sept. 26 | 8:00am-2:30pm | Finley Conference Rm | [RSVP](#)



**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](#)



Bioinnovation and Commercialization Pop-up Course

What is the business case for your science? This course, cosponsored by CCTS and Auburn University, will help faculty, postdocs, and students with a biomedical innovation or idea learn what to consider in order to bring a discovery to market. Experts from several CCTS Partners will lead the course.

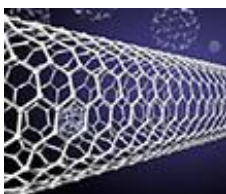
Oct. 6, 2016 | 12:00 noon-3pm | Rm 109, Hubbard Center for Advanced Science, Innovation and Commerce (CASIC) Bldg., Auburn | [RSVP](#)



3rd Annual Community Engagement Institute

CEI is an annual full-day symposium focused on issues related to health equity and social justice. The CEI examines the importance of why and how community engagement and collaboration are effective in social/behavioral research and essential in community building practices. Student discounts until 9/30. Register soon.

Oct. 14, 2016 | BJCC East Meeting Hall, Birmingham | [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](#)