

The bulletin is blind-copied to graduate faculty.

Small Group Discussion Leaders needed for CONJ 650-Ethics

Please sign up by emailing Crystal Paredes at pmcb@ohsu.edu or paredes@ohsu.edu.

Dates we need discussion leaders:

Oct. 21st – 2 needed

Oct. 28th - 4 needed

Nov. 4th - 5 needed

Lectures are 4-5 followed by discussions from 5-6. All meetings are on the main campus.

New Postings

OCTRI Biomedical Innovation Program Funding Q&A - October 13

OCTRI will be holding an informational Q&A session for the Biomedical Innovation Program Award, hosted by Eric Orwoll, M.D., Monday, October 13th at 12 pm in MacHall 1162. This session is strongly recommended for those thinking about applying before the November 14th deadline. [Current RFA and full opportunity information can be found here](#). Bench-to-aside device, diagnostic, and software development is the focus of OCTRI's Biomedical Innovation Program. Formed in partnership with Technology Transfer & Business Development in 2012, the Biomedical Innovation Program has funded a total of **nine** projects, led by a diverse group of principal investigators, including clinicians, scientists, and bioengineers. Several of these projects have reached proof-of-concept as a result of this funding and are being actively marketed by Technology Transfer & Business Development for licensing agreements with biomedical corporations or have formed the basis for start-up companies. Questions? Please contact [Jonathan Jubera](#).

[For more information about OCTRI Awards and the Biomedical Information Program please visit the OCTRI Funding Opportunities page.](#)

Dean convenes Basic Science Task Force on research organization

Three of the [seven basic science departments](#) in the School of Medicine are undergoing leadership transitions. Robert Hitzemann, Ph.D., chair of behavioral neuroscience will step down next year, [Peter Rotwein, Ph.D.](#), chair of biochemistry and molecular biology, will join Texas Tech University, and [Dave Dawson, Ph.D.](#), chair of physiology and pharmacology, retired in July 2014.

In response to the leadership transitions, two activities are now underway.

1. Department reviews. Due to the leadership transitions, each of the three departments will undergo a review to provide information needed for chair searches.

2. Creation of a faculty Task Force to consider organization of basic sciences in the School of Medicine. With the full support of the basic science chairs – permanent and interim – the Dean has convened a Task Force charged with answering the following question as it relates to basic sciences: *“Looking ten years ahead, what is the optimal structure for research in the School of Medicine that maximizes opportunities for faculty success?”*

Full article at: <http://o2.ohsu.edu/blogs/insidesom/2014/10/08/dean-convenes-basic-science-task-force-to-consider-research-organization/>

OCTRI leadership transition

Dr. Dan Dorsa announces the change in leadership of OCTRI from Eric Orwoll, MD, stepping down 12/1/14, to David Ellison, MD. Full article: <http://o2.ohsu.edu/blogs/insidesom/2014/10/07/octri-leadership-transition/>

Peter Barr-Gillespie and Kateria Spinelli win BioArt Competition

Drs Barr-Gillespie and Spinelli are one of 12 winners of the 2014 Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) annual BioArt competition. [Their submission](#), showing the sensory hair cells of a chick, was captured by scanning electron microscopy. The image comes from joint work to discover better methods to detect and treat hearing loss and disrupted balance. The 12 winning images and videos demonstrate the breadth of ongoing research in the biomedical and life sciences. Winning entries were unveiled on

FASEB's [website](#) and will be exhibited at the National Institutes of Health. The BioArt competition is open to members of [FASEB constituent societies](#) and biomedical and life scientists whose research is supported by federal funds. More information about the competition can be found on the [BioArt website](#).
<http://www.ohsu.edu/blogs/researchnews/2014/10/07/peter-barr-gillespie-and-kateri-spinelli-win-bioart-competition/>

American Heart Association research grants and fellowships – Winter deadlines

The [American Heart Association](#) has announced its winter deadlines for a wide range of funding opportunities relating to cardiovascular disease and stroke. All proposals and applications will be due either **January 15th or 22nd, 2015**.

- [Pre-Doctoral Fellowship](#) – \$25,000 per year for one or two years to help students begin careers in cardiovascular or stroke related research by providing research assistance and training. Research should be broadly related to cardiovascular function and disease and stroke, or to related clinical, basic science, bioengineering or biotechnology, and public health problems, including multidisciplinary efforts.
- [Postdoctoral Fellowship](#) – \$40,000-\$50,000 per year for up to two years. This opportunity is intended to help trainees initiate careers in cardiovascular and stroke research while obtaining significant research results under the supervision of a sponsor or mentor; supports individuals before they are ready for some stage of independent research.
- [Beginning Grant-in-Aid](#) – Up to \$70,000 per year for up to two years to promote the independent status of promising beginning scientists. Research should be broadly related to cardiovascular function and disease and stroke, or related clinical, basic science, bioengineering or biotechnology, and public health problems, including multidisciplinary efforts.
- [Grant-in-Aid](#) – Up to \$70,000 per year for up to two years to fund the most innovative and meritorious research projects from independent investigators. Research must be broadly related to cardiovascular function and disease and stroke, or to clinical, basic science, bioengineering or biotechnology, and public health problems.
- [Mentored Clinical and Population Research Award](#) – Up to \$75,000 per year for up to two years to encourage early investigators who have appropriate and supportive mentoring relationships to engage in high quality introductory and pilot clinical studies that will guide future strategies for reducing cardiovascular disease and stroke while fostering new research in clinical and translational science, and encouraging community and population-based activities.
- [National Scientist Development Grant](#) – Up to \$77,000 per year for up to four years to support beginning scientists in their progress toward independence by funding research projects that can bridge the gap between completion of research training and readiness for a successful career as an independent investigator.

Grant & Fellowship Opportunities

MRF Grants

The Medical Research Foundation (MRF) supports promising biomedical exploration and the development of research careers in clinical investigation in Oregon through a program of competitively awarded research grants. Most MRF grants are awarded quarterly. MRF Grant Applicants: Application guidelines are subject to change between deadlines. Please carefully review the guidelines each time you submit an application. August 2014: New naming conventions are required; see guidelines for specific instructions.

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/about/foundation/about/medical-research-foundation/grants.cfm>

New Investigator Grant: Maximum grant award: \$40,000, Two to three grants awarded quarterly
Application deadline dates: Feb. 15, May 15, Aug. 15, Nov. 15.

Early Clinical Investigator Grant: Maximum grant award: \$20,000, Two to three grants awarded quarterly
Application deadline dates: Feb. 15, May 15, Aug. 15, Nov. 15.

SAVE THE DATES

2015 Convocation and Hooding Ceremony

Friday, 6/5/2015 at the Oregon Convention Center. Regalia ordering should begin in February.

2015 Research Week

May 4-8, 2015 <http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/research-week/>

Prior Postings

Fire and earthquake drills take place in October

OHSU is required to conduct fire and earthquake drills at various intervals throughout the year. Until now, many of these drills have been targeted to specific areas within OHSU. Going forward, these drills will be conducted more broadly to improve OHSU's institution-wide preparedness to respond in an emergency. More info: http://o2.ohsu.edu/blogs/staffnews/2014/10/02/fire-earthquake-drills-to-take-place-in-october/?utm_source=employees_org&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Staff+News+20141003

2015 WCBSUR Conference

2012 National Medal of Science winner, Dr. Lee Hood, will present the keynote address at the 40th Annual West Coast Biological Sciences Undergraduate Research Conference, which will take place on April 25, 2015, at Point Loma Nazarene University, in San Diego, CA. Information regarding this one day Conference for undergraduate biology and biochemistry researchers and their faculty mentors can be accessed through <http://www.pointloma.edu/experience/academics/schools-departments/department-biology/science-education-programs/wcbsurc>

A limited number of \$200 travel subsidies will be made available on a competitive basis to students coming from out of state. Questions regarding the travel subsidies and/or other aspects of the WCBSUR Conference may be directed to Dr. Michael McConnell (Professor Emeritus of Biology, Point Loma Nazarene University) by phone (619 849 2304) or email at mmcconne@pointloma.edu.

Howard Hughes Medical Institute – International Student Research Fellowship

<http://www.hhmi.org/programs/international-student-research-fellowships>

A new fellowship program supporting outstanding international predoctoral students studying in the U.S. who are ineligible for fellowships or training grants through U.S. federal agencies. HHMI will award three-year fellowships to international students to support years three, four, and five of a Ph.D. program. Eligible biomedical-related fields include biology, chemistry, physics, math, computer science, engineering, and plant biology as well as interdisciplinary research. **Internal deadline:** October 17, 2014

Letter of Intent: November 18, 2014 **Sponsor deadline:** February 12, 2015

Award: \$30,000 per year plus allowances for three years.

Eligibility: OHSU may only submit a limited number of nominations. Participation is by invitation only. Invited students must be currently in their second or third year of a PhD program in the biomedical or related sciences at a designated nominating institution to activate the fellowship. Students in their first, second, or fifth year of their PhD programs cannot activate the fellowship. In no case will support past year five of the PhD program be provided. Questions? Taylor St. Clair stclair@ohsu.edu Administrative Coordinator, Research Funding & Development Services

2014-2015 Marquam Hill Lectures

The Marquam Hill Lecture Series is one of the most popular and long-standing lecture series about science by scientists in Oregon. Full information, and the link to RSVP for each lecture, is available at:

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/education/schools/school-of-medicine/about/marquam-hill-lectures.cfm>

Secrets of the Developing Brain Presented by Bonnie Nagel, Ph.D.

October 16, 2014, 7 p.m., OHSU Auditorium

Beating Cancer with Exercise Presented by Kerri Winters-Stone, Ph.D., FACSM

November 20, 2014, 7 p.m., OHSU Auditorium

Ending an Epidemic: OHSU's Hunt for an HIV Vaccine Presented by Louis Picker, M.D.

February 19, 2015, 7 p.m., Collaborative Life Sciences Building*

The Magic of Microbubbles Presented by Sanjiv Kaul, M.D.

April 16, 2015, 7 p.m., OHSU Auditorium

Declaring War on Melanoma Presented by Sancy Leachman, M.D., Ph.D.

May 21, 2015, 7 p.m., OHSU Auditorium

Have you heard about ORCID?

ORCID is an online product that provides a persistent digital identifier that distinguishes researchers uniquely; is integrated in key research workflows such as manuscript and grant submission, and supports automated linkages between researchers and professional activities. ORCID Registry is free of charge, easy to set up, curate and publish, and allows varying levels of privacy. The use of ORCID will allow easier tracking of publications and grants and ORCID numbers can be attached to all current and future grants, publications, and manuscripts. Set up your account at <http://orcid.org/>

Questions regarding ORCID? Contact Jackie Wirz wirzj@ohsu.edu or Robin Champieux champieu@ohsu.edu
SOM Graduate Studies is requiring that ALL SOM Graduate Students register for ORCID, and provide the ID's to our office, to assist in tracking student publications and grant submissions.

Pursue Your Financial Freedom - Apply for NIH Loan Repayment Program Awards

The National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs) **repay** the student loans of doctoral level, biomedical or behavioral scientists conducting research funded by nonprofit institutions. The application cycle opens on **September 1, 2014** and closes on **November 17, 2014**. You may be eligible to receive up to **\$70,000** of qualified educational debt repayment with a 2 year contract. Full information and to apply:

http://www.lrp.nih.gov/apply_here/index.aspx

Upcoming Calendar Events

Please go to www.ohsu.edu/som/graduate for full information on upcoming events.

FUNDING Opportunities

Funding Alerts <http://www.ohsu.edu/blogs/researchnews/funding-alerts/>

NIH Funding Opportunities website: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/index.html>

OHSU Research Headlines: <http://ozone.ohsu.edu/blogs/somresearchvoice/2011/08/17/who-made-headlines-ohsu-research-in-the-news/>

The new **[OHSU Funding Opportunities database](#)** is now online. This customized database houses opportunities, primarily from non-governmental sources, of particular relevance to OHSU researchers. The database is also used to track all **[limited submission](#)** opportunities and their corresponding internal deadlines, including federal opportunities. If you have any questions or would like us to demonstrate this tool for you, contact funding@ohsu.edu.

We're on the web! The bulletin is archived on the web at <http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/education/schools/school-of-medicine/academic-programs/graduate-studies/faculty/index.cfm>

For full information and other notices regarding seminars, dissertation/thesis defenses and social activities the Graduate Studies calendar and news can be found on our website www.ohsu.edu/som/graduate If you know of Graduate Students or Graduate Faculty who are not receiving this e-mail, please have them email us at somgrad@ohsu.edu

Any graduate student, faculty or group may request an event posted to the Graduate Studies calendar, just click the 'see all' at the bottom of the calendar at under 'Event Finder' choose 'Submit an event' or see your program coordinator for assistance. For News event postings, or assistance with the calendar or other items, e-mail us at somgrad@ohsu.edu

Want an event or news posted to the bulletin? Please send to somgrad@ohsu.edu by noon the Thursday prior to make it into the next week's bulletin.

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