Upcoming TIBBS-sponsored Events

Wednesday 7/21  12:00 to 1:00 on the MBRB lawn
TIBBS Monthly Social—Ben and Jerry’s Ice Cream

Summer is here! How about a cone of refreshing Cherry Garcia, Mango Sorbet, Mint Chocolate Chuck, or Vanilla Heath Bar Crunch ice cream from Ben and Jerry’s.

Monday 8/23  5:00 to 6:30 on the MBRB lawn
TIBBS and BBSP Welcome Picnic

Welcome the incoming BBSP students and have some great picnic food at the annual TIBBS/BBSP welcome picnic. Please bring your OneCard to be served.

Tuesday 8/31 4:00 to 5:30 Location TBA
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) grant writing workshop

The prestigious NSF graduate research fellowship is open to 1st and 2nd year graduate students and offers:
- Three years of support
- $30,000 annual stipend
- $10,500 cost-of-education allowance
- $1,000 one time international travel allowance

In this extremely helpful workshop presented by Dr. Ashalla Freeman and other NSF GRFP reviewers, you will learn about the NSF application process and what reviewers are looking for in your application. All attendees will receive a grant writing workbook and the opportunity to meet with a grant reviewer one-on-one. Last year 3 of those who attended the workshop received fellowships or honorable mentions. 

Click here to register
Pioneering Postdoc Programs

Your postdoctoral training period is the ideal time to hone your skills and get needed experience that will make you the perfect candidate for the career of your choice.

There are many unique postdoc programs that train fellows in a variety of in-demand skills and these training opportunities are often shorter and more structured than the traditional academic postdoc. They teach a specific skill set and can be a fast track to a “real job” afterwards.

In this new addition to the TIBBS Times we’ll highlight a different fellowship opportunity each month. This month’s spotlight is on a translational research postdoc fellowship in Texas.

**TRIUMPH (Translational Research in Multi-Disciplinary Program) Postdoctoral Fellowship** is a new program that provides training in clinical and translational research. The immediate goal of this program is to recruit talented, productive Ph.Ds and train them through didactic course work, as well as clinical rotations and a unique mentorship to pursue clinical and/or translational research. A long term goal of this program is to produce translational scientists who will team with physician scientists to lead a translational research laboratory.

This is a three-year training program. The first year the postdocs will participate in a series of didactic clinical course work offered at the University of Texas (UT) Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (GSBS), MD Anderson Cancer Center or the UT Medical School; participate in clinical rotations; and pursue research in a basic or translational research laboratory. In the second and third years the postdoc will be co-mentored by a basic science/translational scientist mentor and a physician/scientist clinical mentor to pursue a clinical or translational research project.

For more information check out the TRIUMPH website here.

Where on Campus is That??

If you’re one of the first ten PhD students to correctly identify the location of this picture on UNC campus you’ll get a free king size candy bar! Email your guesses to pdb@unc.edu. Good luck!

Click here for past contest photos and a list of winners.
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July 9th
Identifying Funding Sources for Graduate Research and Study for Students in Health Sciences
Held in 307 Health Sciences Library from 1:00 pm. to 3:00 p.m. For more information see: http://research.unc.edu/offices/grantsource/training/index.htm#workshops

July 7th
Rat Handling and Techniques
The IACUC Rat Handling and Techniques class is a hands-on wet lab designed to teach students basic techniques in rat handling. Techniques taught include restraint, simple injections, bleeding techniques, anesthesia, and euthanasia. This course is mandatory for all Laboratory Animal Coordinators in laboratories working with live rats. All UNC rat handlers are welcome to attend. Alternatively, training and certification may be provided through a certified proficient Laboratory Animal Coordinator.
Prerequisites: Research Profile, Lab Worker Form, Animal Handler Form, and IACUC/DLAM on-line orientation (http://cfx3.research.unc.edu/iacuc_reg/). Held in Glaxo 148 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22561

July 8th
Lunch & Learn: Ask the IRB
Informational session presented by an IRB representative. Individuals will receive latest updates/requirements from the IRB. Representatives will be available to answer questions concerning application submissions, approvals, safety reporting, etc. Please feel free to bring your lunch with you! Held in 1131 Bioinformatics from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22519

PhD Comics by Jorge Cham, PhD
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July 12th
Responsible Conduct of Research; a 5 Day Course
The Responsible Conduct of Research Course is a one-week course organized and run by David Weber, MD, MPH, Director of the NC TraCS Institute Regulatory Core. The course covers all the NIH-required topics for the first phase of responsible conduct of research training. Through the use of a number of case studies drawn from Scientific Integrity (Francis Macrina, ed. ASM Press, Washington DC, 1995) and Teaching the Responsible Conduct of Research through a Case Study Approach (Association of American Medical Colleges, 1994), the students themselves are very much involved in the teaching process. Sponsored by NC TraCS (Translational and Clinical Services) Institute: NIH CTSA at UNC-CH. Held at 2204 MBRB from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22537

July 13th
Dissecting a Protocol
This workshop will focus on the importance of the clinical trial protocol and how each section relates to other clinical trial activities such as developing clinical study plans/check lists, informed consent, budget development, data collection, and contract negotiations. Held in 1131 Bioinformatics from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22489

July 16th
Mouse Handling and Techniques
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July 22nd
Aseptic Techniques
The IACUC Aseptic Techniques class is a hands-on wet lab designed to teach students how to maintain a sterile field during survival rodent surgery. This course is mandatory for all Laboratory Animal Coordinators in laboratories performing sterile rodent surgery. All UNC rodent users who will be performing sterile survival surgeries are encouraged to attend. Alternatively, training and certification may be provided through a certified proficient Laboratory Animal Coordinator. Prerequisites: Research Profile, Lab Worker Form, Animal Handler Form, and IACUC/DLAM on-line orientation (http://cfx3.research.unc.edu/iacuc_reg/).

Held in Glaxo 148 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22563
July 22nd
Basic EndNote
This Basic EndNote class will touch on the fundamental functions of the EndNote software. Building your library, managing your sources, and inserting your citations into your documents will be the focus of what we will cover. This class is structured for new to beginning users. 11 seats available. Held in 329 Health Sciences Library from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. To register: http://www.hsl.unc.edu/Services/Classes/classregistration.cfm

July 27th
Mandatory Breeding Policy Lecture
This course is mandatory for all Principal Investigators and mouse handlers with breeding colonies. The one hour lecture reviews the Institutional policy concerning cage population densities, housing, and breeding mice. Held in Glaxo 148 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22566

Advanced EndNote
This class is designed as a hands-on workshop for users with some EndNote experience. We will review how to import references most efficiently, using the "Cite While You Write" feature, and some more advanced features such as finding full-text and editing output styles. Please bring your questions. 12 seats available. Held in 329 Health Sciences Library from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register: http://www.hsl.unc.edu/Services/Classes/classregistration.cfm

July 28th
Mouse Handling and Techniques
The IACUC Mouse Handling and Techniques class is a hands-on wet lab designed to teach students basic techniques in mouse handling. Techniques taught include restraint, simple injections, bleeding techniques, anesthesia, and euthanasia. This course is mandatory for all Laboratory Animal Coordinators in laboratories working with live mice. All UNC mouse handlers are welcome to attend. Alternatively, training and certification may be provided through a certified proficient Laboratory Animal Coordinator. Prerequisites: Research Profile, Lab Worker Form, Animal Handler Form, and IACUC/DLAM on-line orientation (http://cfx3.research.unc.edu/iacuc_reg/). Held in Glaxo 148 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register: http://cfx.research.unc.edu/res_classreg/browse_single.cfm?New=1&event_id=22565