Announcements

Reminder! Apply now! Health Services Research course
Deadline: Friday 6/21 The Emory University School of Medicine Office of Faculty Development offers this Health Services Research course to provide a broad overview of health services research questions and approaches, introduce you to key health service researchers, and build awareness of ongoing strategic initiatives. Read more | Apply

Volunteers needed! Emory University’s Microbiota Enrichment program is currently seeking healthy individuals for enrollment in a gut biome study.

Eligibility Requirement:

- Body mass index is <25
- Between 18 and 40 years of age
- Not pregnant or lactating
- Have regular bowel movements
- Have had a stable body weight for 3 months prior to enrollment

Interested? Please contact Jennifer Truell, MA, MPH at 404.778.0014 or jennifer.carter.truell@emory.edu

Join us in congratulating the 2019 Department of Medicine faculty and staff award nominees! The Department of Medicine recognizes faculty and staff members who have made significant contributions to their divisions, the department, the School of Medicine and/or Emory University as a whole. We would like to especially recognize our research faculty nominated for the R. Wayne Alexander Excellence in Research Award and the Outstanding Scientific Citation Award! View all nominees
Need help navigating the Department of Medicine Research Administration Service (RAS) Unit? The DOM RAS Unit has issued a one-page document to assist you in working your way through the grant submission process starting with pre-award. Download PDF

Highlighted Resource

ACT Network launched at Georgia CTSA
The ACT Network is a real-time platform allowing researchers to explore and validate feasibility for clinical studies across the NCATS Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) consortium, from their desktops. ACT helps researchers design and complete clinical studies, and is secure, HIPAA-compliant and IRB-approved. Read more | Questions

Funding & Award Opportunities
Weekly NIH funding opportunities and notices
Federal funding opportunities for public health faculty
Searchable database of internal medicine funding opportunities

Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation of America
  • Senior research awards
    Deadline: Friday 7/19 Senior research awards provide established researchers with funds to generate sufficient preliminary data to become competitive for funds from other sources such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Read more
  • Career development awards
    Deadline: Friday 7/19 Career development awards are intended to facilitate the development of individuals with research potential to prepare for a career of independent basic and/or clinical investigation in inflammatory bowel disease Read more

Research starter grants – informatics
Deadline: Friday 8/30 The purpose of this FOA is to assist individuals beginning independent research careers in informatics at the faculty level. Read more

Leducq Foundation: Transatlantic networks of excellence
Deadline: Thursday 9/5 (LOI) The purpose of this FOA is to promote innovation in cardiovascular and stroke research and develop long term collaborative relationships that will allow us ultimately to change the way patients with cardiovascular and neurovascular disease are diagnosed and treated. Read more

Intramural funding opportunity at Emory: SOM Imagine, Innovate and Impact (I3) Nexus awards
Deadline: Friday 9/13 The purpose of this FOA is to spur interdisciplinary research projects that have the potential to impact health or generate biomedical knowledge. Read more

Aging, driving and early detection of dementia (R01 clinical trial optional)
Deadline: Friday 9/20 This FOA invites applications to conduct new research on automobile technology for signaling early signs of cognitive impairment in older drivers. Specifically, applications should propose research on using automobile technology coupled with other modes of assessing an individual’s health and/or functional status to detect early signs of cognitive impairment. Read more

2020 Sexual Medicine Society of North America (SMSNA) research grants
Deadline: Monday 9/30 This Program offers young investigators interested in sexuality research the opportunity to obtain funding to support their research while engaged in qualifying research in sexuality. Read more
NIAID new innovators awards (DP2 clinical trial not allowed)

**Deadline: Thursday 10/10** The purpose of this FOA is to expand on the successful NIH DP2 program, funding applications proposing bold new ideas from those currently in their post-doctoral training years. Through this program, NIAID wants to encourage shorter post-doctoral fellowships and provide the opportunity for creative scientists with little to no preliminary data to start their independent careers earlier. [Read more]

**Congratulatory Corner**

**Albert Anderson (Infectious Diseases)** received a subcontract from University of California San Diego for a project entitled “Detect: A novel device to assess how HIV affects neurocognitive decline and postural instability in older adults at risk for Alzheimer’s disease”.

**Adam Greenbaum (Cardiology)** received funding from JenaValve Technology Inc. for a project entitled “JenaValve aortic stenosis and aortic regurgitation EFS study”.

Have you or a colleague recently received an award or grant funding?
Division Research Seminars

Thursday, 6/20 at 8 a.m. in the Grace Crum Rollins Building, Rita Anne Rollins Room, 8th Floor, SPH

Infectious Diseases Seminar: "Sharing the love: antimicrobial resistance among pets and pet owners" (Alexandra Dretler, MD)

Recent Notable Publications

Jessica Alvarez (Endocrinology)

Ann Vandenberg (General Medicine and Geriatrics), Laura Plantinga (Nephrology), Janice Lea (Nephrology)

Jesse Waggoner (Infectious Diseases)

Would you like to highlight a recent notable publication?
Events

The Atlanta Center for Microsystems Engineered Point-of Care Technologies: GLUE (General Lectures Uniting Everyone)

Monday, 7/22 from 12:55 - 1:15 p.m. in Emory HSRB, room E160 "Tales from the ICU" Learn from critical care specialists about ICU opportunities for technological innovation. Light lunch will be provided. Registration is required. This presentation will also be streamed online here.

Save the Date: 12th Annual Department of Medicine Research Day

Friday, 11/1 | Cox Hall Ballroom | 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
This full-day program includes both oral and poster presentations as well as a keynote address from Gary Gibbons, MD, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute at the National Institutes of Health.

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Highlighted Researcher
What is your professional background?
I received my medical degree from the University of Lagos, completed internal medicine residency training at Creighton University and a non-degree clinical research program at Harvard University. Following residency training, I joined the faculty here at Emory University School of Medicine. My clinical practice is at Emory University Hospital Midtown.

In what division do you work, and who is your mentor?
I am an assistant professor of Medicine in the Division of Hospital Medicine. My mentors are Dr. Daniel Hunt and Dr. John Roback.

Briefly describe your research. Why is it important?
Broadly, my research focus is on health services research and quality improvement. Currently, I am working on a multi-disciplinary quality improvement project aimed at improving the treatment rate of Helicobacter pylori among hospitalized patients at Emory University Hospital Midtown (EUHM). H. pylori is a World Health Organization class I carcinogen strongly associated with the development of gastric adenocarcinoma and mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue lymphoma; it is linked to other nonmalignant gastrointestinal diseases including peptic ulcer disease and non-ulcer dyspepsia, and may also have a role in unexplained iron deficiency anemia and idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura. Although effective treatment is available, only about half of the hospitalized patients at EUHM diagnosed with H. pylori following an esophagogastroduodenoscopy & gastric biopsy will end up receiving treatment. This is largely due to the fact that the majority of positive pathology results become available after discharge and most of these patients don't attend outpatient follow-up appointments. We plan on improving this mainly via the use of biopsy urease testing following EGD & gastric biopsy. This will provide a result within one hour, thereby enabling initiation of treatment prior to discharge.
What do you like most about Emory?
Emory has a very strong culture of collaboration and diversity which fosters excellence in research, teaching, and clinical service.

What do you like to do in your spare time?
I enjoy spending time with family/friends, reading, watching movies/TV shows/Broadway shows, listening to music, and exploring restaurants.

"What's Up" is brought to you by the Emory University Department of Medicine's Research Community.

View the DOM Research website here.