

November 11, 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?

2016 CCTS Multidisciplinary Partner Network Pilot recipient Dr. Rebecca C. Arend, associate scientist in the Experimental Therapeutics Program at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center, is untangling the roles of checkpoint inhibitors and epigenetic modifiers to improve the body's response to immunotherapy. Currently working with lab models of ovarian cancer, she plans to launch a human clinical trial with colleagues at UAB and HudsonAlpha. [More](#)

### News/Announcements



### NCATS Awards \$6.3 Million Grant for Integrating Patient-Reported Outcomes in EHR

The EHR Access to Seamless Integration of PROMIS (EASI-PRO), a multisite grant awarded to nine universities, will make it easier for investigators and clinicians to collect patient-reported outcomes information and use it to improve clinical care and research. [More](#)



### Registration Now Open for CCTS Clinical Data for Research Training on Nov. 17

Seats are filling fast for "Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2." This hands-on training will cover using i2b2 to access de-identified patient data, check study feasibility, develop hypotheses, recruit, and more. It will take place on Thursday, Nov. 17, from 2-4pm. Register today! [More](#)



### CCTS Biostatistics Clinics Cancelled for Holiday Weeks

The weekly Wednesday Biostatistics Drop-in Clinic, which usually takes place at PCAMS from 11:30am-1pm, will not be held on the Wednesdays preceding Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Eve (November 23, December 21, or December 28). One-on-one consultations may still be scheduled by emailing [ccts@uab.edu](mailto:ccts@uab.edu) or calling 205-934-7442. [More](#)

### Funding Opportunities

### 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](#)**



### **AHRQ Announces Funding for Prevention of Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAIs)**

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) is calling for large research projects to advance the knowledge base for detection, prevention, and reduction of HAIs. Both R01 and R18 mechanisms supported (**open date is Jan. 5, 2017**). [More](#)

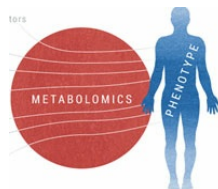
## Upcoming Events



### **UAB's 6th Short Course on Next-Generation Sequencing**

Presented by the UAB Dept. of Biostatistics and funded by the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI), this course will provide a venue for statisticians, genetic epidemiologists, bioinformaticians, and genome biologists to discuss novel data analysis strategies.

**Dec. 12-15 | 8am-4 pm | UAB SOPH | [Register](#)**



### **UAB Graduate Course: The Science of Metabolomics**

GBSC 724 will introduce and equip investigators, new and experienced, with the metabolome and the tools needed to view, statistically analyze, and interpret metabolomic data. Will cover newer topics, including the role of metabolites in chronic diseases. [More.](#)

**MWFs Jan. 9-Mar. 31 | 1:30-3 pm | Shelby 515**

**Complete listing of CCTS events**