



Center for Clinical and Translational Science

CCTS DIGEST

Latest news and upcoming events
for the CCTS Partner Network

August 1, 2022

Call for Poster Presentations for the 2022 CCTS Translational Training Symposium

The Symposium will be held in Mobile, Alabama from September 14-16th and will include expert speakers and dynamic sessions. The CCTS requests poster submissions that are related to translational science and translational research. Poster sessions are an informal format for presenting research data or highlighting innovative practices and are due by August 26th.

Learn more about posters, and make sure you are registered for the CCTS Translational Training Symposium.



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Need Help Preparing Your SBIR/STTR Application?

Apply for the NIH Applicant Assistance Program, a free, 10-week mentoring program for new SBIR/STTR applicants. Each participant will be assigned to a coach who has expertise in preparing NIH SBIR/STTR applications.

Register for the informational webinar on Friday, August 5th and learn more about this opportunity.

CCTS IN THE NEWS

The CCTS is delighted to acknowledge and celebrate the steady stream of news about the outstanding accomplishments of our CCTS members.

Fowler Evaluates Cognitive Decline in Patients with Cancer Dr. Fowler was a scholar in the CCTS Clinical & Translational Science Training Program 2022 cohort.

Rana, Matthews Receive RO1 to Help End HIV Epidemic Drs. Rana and Matthews are CCTS Scientists.

Genetic regulation of OAS1 nonsense-mediated decay underlies association with COVID-19 hospitalization in patients of European and African ancestries Molecular mechanisms underlying severe COVID-19 outcomes

are identified, in part, by leveraging the COVID-19 Enterprise Biorepository, which CCTS collaboratively created and leads, and the Alabama Genomic Health Initiative.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Available Weekly

Drop-In Clinic: Biostats, Epidemiology, & Research Design (BERD)

Prepare your study-related questions for this online or in-person opportunity. In-person clinics are Wednesdays from 11:30-1:00 & Fridays from 8:30-11:30 in SHEL 120.
[Email to Schedule a Virtual Session](#)

August 3 | 9-10am

CCTS Translational Research Summer Series: Alumni Panel Discussion

Presented by Monica Aswani, DrPH, Anand Iyer, MD, MSPH, Ellen Eaton, MD.

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August 4 | 11am-1pm

OIRB Office Hours

An opportunity for anyone and everyone in the research community to have direct access to an experienced OIRB staff member.

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August 2 | 11am-1pm

OnCore Q&A Session

Do you have a question or concern about OnCore? Join OnCore staff for a drop-in session to have any and all questions addressed.

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August 3 | 2-3:30pm

Research Data Group Office Hours

An opportunity for anyone and everyone in the research community to have direct access to an experienced OIRB staff member.

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August 5 | 9am

4th Annual Data Science Hackathon

Participants will have the opportunity to receive offered training by world-renowned scientists in UAB's Informatics Institute, CGDS, U-BRITE, and Research Computing.

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Get to Know Your CCTS

THIS WEEK, MEET ERIC RAVUSSIN, PHD

CCTS SITE LEAD

PENNINGTON BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH CENTER



1 If you could take anyone to lunch, who would it be and why?

I would not mind having lunch with many people who, over these past few decades, have made big impacts on our societies by their discoveries, imagination, and actions. But if pushed to name only one, it would be Elon Musk. I would ask him questions such as: What will be the next big project to undertake? If given the means, how would you have dealt with the COVID pandemic from the start? What is your solution for tackling global warming? How would you improve our universal society? However, I have heard he may not be as much fun as I would like for a lunch meeting. 😊

2 What scientific mystery would you like to see solved?

What is at the bottom of black holes in space? If the gravity in a black hole is so strong that even light cannot get out, when is earth and our solar system going to fall in one of those?

3 What's your dream vacation or the best vacation you've ever taken?

First, traveling North America with my wife in an RV and explore the fascinating natural diversity of this amazing continent. But, as a matter of fact, I would do the same on all 7 continents if feasible. Second, a family reunion with children and grandchildren for a couple of weeks in a beautiful setting in nature but still with comfort and relative ease of reach.

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