RESEARCH CAREER DEVELOPMENT NEWSLETTER

May 2012

The Research Career Development Program (RCD) offers workshops, classes and seminars in subjects that are critical to an academic research career, including Grant Writing, Publishing Your Research and Presenting Your Research. We also offer a wide range of workshops and services in professional skills development (interviewing, CV/resume writing, presenting your research, career counseling, etc) as well as a seminar series in scientific leadership and project management. To view the workshop calendar, workshop descriptions, funding sources, NIH news, grant deadlines etc., please visit: **http://medschool.umaryland.edu/career/**.

Working in a Federal Public Health Agency: Perspectives from a FDA Reviewer (career discussion)

Tuesday, May 8
12:00-1:00pm
621 W. Lombard Street, SMC Campus Center, Room 351

Guest speaker:
Brinda Dass, Ph.D., *Biologist*- Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM), Animal Biotechnology Interdisciplinary Group

This seminar will provide an introduction to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), including various research opportunities and career paths. Join Dr. Dass as she shares her current experience as a reviewer with the Animal Biotechnology Interdisciplinary Group in the Agency's Center for Veterinary Medicine as well as her prior experience completing a FDA Commissioner's Fellowship.

Dr Dass has an undergraduate degree in animal biology and completed her doctoral research at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas on RNA biology and molecular reproduction in the laboratory of Dr. Clinton MacDonald. She also has experience in preclinical drug testing for childhood cancers and animal models of disease. This foray into clinical research also included training in clinical research management and human drug trials. Her current position as a biology reviewer requires her to lean heavily on all these skills.

Registration is now available at
http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com?s=3694473

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Identifying Funding Sources for Postdocs

Wednesday, May 23
9:00 – 10:00am
685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

This informal workshop, given by **Stacie Mendoza**, *Research Information Specialist*, will assist postdocs in identifying non-NIH sources of funding for their research. Topics will include:

- Comprehensive introduction to various funding resources, including searchable databases and useful websites
- Interactive demonstration using funding databases
- Helpful tips for identifying sources of funding

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Practice Your Interviewing Skills (Mock Interviewing Workshop)

Thursday, May 24
3:00-4:30pm
621 W. Lombard Street, SMC Campus Center, Room 351

Targeted audience: graduate students and postdocs

This interactive workshop, led by *Derek Haseltine, Director of Research Career Development*, will provide participants the opportunity to further develop their interviewing skills by participating in a mock interview. Participants will work with a peer and have the chance to serve as both the interviewer and interviewee to gain a richer understanding of the interview process. After this exercise, participants will receive feedback on their strengths/ weaknesses as well as instruction on how to effectively prepare for future interviews.

After registering, participants will be required to send a CV/resume and indicate future position(s) of interest. A mock interview will then be constructed by the course facilitator, based on this information. *Limited to 20 participants*.

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Identifying Funding Sources for Faculty

Friday, May 4 **AND** **Wednesday, May 30**
9:00 – 10:00am **9:00 – 10:00am**

685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

This informal workshop given by **Stacie Mendoza**, *Research Information Specialist*, will assist faculty in identifying non-NIH sources of funding for their research. Topics will include:

- Comprehensive introduction to various funding resources, including searchable databases and useful websites
- Interactive demonstration using funding databases
- Helpful tips for identifying sources of funding

Registration is now available at
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What can you do with your PhD?

Wednesday, May 30
4:00 – 5:00pm
621 W. Lombard Street, SMC Campus Center, Room 351

This session will provide a brief introduction to several career options outside academic research and overview the various resources you can utilize to help navigate these opportunities.

Instructor: Derek Haseltine, MEd

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Transitioning to Independence: A Professional Development Symposium on Leadership for UMB K Awardees

Friday, June 1
8:00 - 3:30pm
621 W. Lombard Street, SMC Campus Center, Ballroom A (Room 208)

The Office for Research Career Development, in collaboration with the K-30 Program, is sponsoring a professional development symposium in research leadership and project management for all clinically-oriented UMB career development (K) awardees. This seminar will focus on the necessary skills for launching an independent clinical and translational research career. NOTE: While this seminar is intended for current K scholars, clinical scholars, as well as postdocs who may be considering applying for a K award, are welcome to attend. Lunch and breakfast provided.

Subjects to be covered:

- Careers in Academic Medicine: From Tracks to Promotion: ***Alessio Fasano, M.D.***
- Transitioning to Independent Funding: Going from a K Award to an R01- ***Wendy Sanders, M.A.***
- Creating a thriving academic research program (panel discussion): ***Raymond K. Cross, M.D., M.S.; Jeffrey Fink, M.D., M.S.***; *additional panelists TBD*
- Networking and Building Collaborations: Effective Strategies for Developing Your Research Program - ***Mary-Claire Roghmann, M.D.,M.S.***
- My Experience with the R01/VA Merit (panel discussion)- **Miriam K. Laufer, M.D., M.P.H.; *Alicia A. Lucksted; Douglas Turner, M.D.,*** *Associate Professor of Surgery*

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PREV 617 Grant Writing Course

Wednesdays, June 6 – July 25
10:00 -12:00pm
685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

The course will be interactive, with a "peer-review structure"; as such, participants will be required to write and submit specific sections of their grants for review by class participants. In addition, participants will be expected to review and critique their course-mates' work. Please indicate what type of grant you are planning to submit (e.g. K, R01) and the time frame for submission (planned submission date) when you register. Instructors: **Mary-Claire Roghmann, M.D.,M.S.** and **Wendy Sanders, MA**

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GRANT WRITING CONSULTATIONS

Wendy Sanders, MA, *Assistant Dean for Research Career Development*, is available to meet with junior faculty regarding how to plan, organize and write a research grant application. In addition, Ms. Sanders is available to meet with faculty regarding how to revise a grant application, including how to address summary statements. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Sanders, email: wsanders@som.umaryland.edu

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CAREER COUNSELING

Derek Haseltine, MEd, *Director for Research Career Development*, is available to meet with junior faculty and postdocs regarding career counseling, how to write a CV using UMSOM format for promotion, how to write a resume, prepare for an interview, etc. To schedule an appointment with Mr. Haseltine, email: dhaseltine@som.umaryland.edu

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FUNDING SOURCE CONSULTATIONS

Stacie Mendoza, *Academic Coordinator* for the Office for Research Career Development, assists junior faculty with identifying sources of funding for their research including how to navigate the NIH funding database. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Mendoza, email: ssmall@som.umaryland.edu

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Upcoming Funding Opportunities and Award Deadlines

More funding opportunities can be found at: http://medschool.umaryland.edu/career/deadlines.asp

AETNA FOUNDATION
(Research areas: Obesity; Racial and Ethnic Health Care Equality; Integrated Health Care)
ELIGIBILITY: Grants will be made only to nonprofit organizations with evidence of IRS 501[c](3) designation or de facto tax-exempt status.
DEADLINES:
Full proposals will be accepted in quarterly cycles with submission closing dates of: February 15, May 15, August 15, November 15
WEBSITE: http://www.aetna-foundation.org/foundation/aetna-foundation-programs/index.html

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SOCIETY FOR NEUROSCIENCE
Young Investigator Award
ELIGIBILITY: Nominees must be active in research at the time the award is given; Have received a PhD or MD (or equivalent) within the past 10 years. Time taken off for child-rearing does not count in these totals. Part-time work and other special circumstances are evaluated at the discretion of the committee.
DEADLINE: May 18, 2012
WEBSITE:
http://web.sfn.org/index.aspx?pagename=FellowshipAndAwards_yia

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ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION
Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity -- 2012 Call for Proposals- RWJF New Connections
ELIGIBILITY: Preference will be given to applicant organizations that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3)
DEADLINES:
CONCEPT PAPERS DUE: May 22, 2012 (3 pm)
INVITED PROPOSALS DUE: July 31, 2012 (3pm)
WEBSITE:
http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21393&cid=XEM_A5779

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