Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Announcements

SOM Guidance on Undergraduate Students in Research Labs
Deadline: Monday, July 27
The School of Medicine has established a process to identify all undergraduates doing research in SOM (whether remote or on campus). Undergraduate Student registered for Emory Course: Biology 495A/B (Honors Research for Credit) or Georgia Tech Courses: XXXX2699 or XXXX4699 (with XXXX as the department) may be allowed to return to research activities if one or more of the following criteria are applicable:
- Research activities can be performed by the student remotely
- Student is actively continuing/completing an education milestone/independent research project for credit
- Student is advanced in a specific project and working independently
- Student does not require substantial new training that would violate social distancing requirements
- The PI has adequate space in their laboratory to accommodate the presence of the student under current space requirements
- Student would not be working with live SARS CoV2 samples
Submit a request | Complete guidance document

Grant and Contract Submission Requirements Regarding the Updated AVMA Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals: 2020 Edition
This Notice provides guidance to Assured institutions on the implementation of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals: 2020 Edition. After October 1, 2020, grant applications and contract proposals must be consistent with the 2020 Guidelines. Grant applicants must continue to follow application form instructions in the How to Apply – Application Guide | Learn more
CFDE Remote Writing Group for the Fall 2020 Semester
Deadline: Monday, August 10
The Center for Faculty Development and Excellence invites all faculty to participate in a special fall 2020 semester-long program of remote writing groups. The groups will be structured around participants' preferences for goals, groupings, frequency, and format. Register | Questions

Dr. Richard Allen Williams Scholarship for Medical Students
Deadline: Friday, August 28
The Association of Black Cardiologists, Inc. (ABC) is pleased to announce the Dr. Richard Allen Williams Scholarship for African American and other minority 1st or 2nd year medical students who show promise in medical research, cardiology and academic medicine. This scholarship honors Richard Allen Williams, MD, FACC, FAHA, founder of the Association of Black Cardiologists and was created to promote diversity in medicine, encourage commitment to eliminating health care disparities, and support future cardiologists, while helping to alleviate medical student debt. Learn more

Georgia Department of Public Health Daily Status Report
Here you will find information on COVID-19 in the State of Georgia including, confirmed cases, ICU admissions, hospitalizations, and deaths. Charts present the number of newly confirmed COVID-19 cases over time and are meant to aid understanding whether the outbreak is growing, leveling off, or declining to help guide COVID-19 response. Check it out!

Highlighted Resource
Emory FIRST (Faculty Information on Research, Scholarship, and Teaching) is the authoritative source for Faculty information on Research, Service and Teaching. This system can be used to facilitate collaboration between Emory faculty, initiate student mentoring, create a faculty web presence, and establish outside development efforts. The Emory FIRST system contains a range of faculty data including publications, grants, professional and teaching activities information. Please log in and accept your publications for FY20 tracking.

Check It Out

Anti-Racism Action Series
On Monday, July 13, the DOM hosted a Town Hall for research faculty, staff, and trainees to discuss the impact of the many recent instances of racism and violence against people of color. As an outcome, this NEW series was created to share and encourage the Emory Research community to take part in weekly anti-racism action steps.

Self-Exploration
As health professionals, it is of utmost importance that we work on understanding ourselves as cultural beings with our own worldview that is shaped by personal demographics, experiences, systems, and values.

Click Here for Self-Exploration Tips

For more resources and information, please visit DOM DEI/RYSE

RAS News

Need help navigating the DOM Research Administration Service (RAS) Unit?
The team has issued a one-page document to assist you in working your way through the grant submission process.
Read more
Ryan joined the Medicine RAS in 2018. Before starting at Emory University, Ryan worked in the television industry for 11 years serving various clients such as NBC Universal and Disney. In his television career, he performed a number of roles and duties including operation management, compliance, client relations, content distribution, and administration.

Remember to notify the team of any upcoming applications at least 30 days in advance.

Funding & Award Opportunities

A searchable External Funding Opportunities Database has been compiled from FOAs in the weekly What's Up in DOM Research newsletter. Emory credentials required to view.

Injury Preventions Research Center at Emory (IPRCE) Pilot Research Program (PReP) Deadline: Friday, July 24 (LOI); Tuesday, September 15 (Full application)
The Injury Prevention Research Center at Emory (IPRCE) seeks to reduce the burden of injury in Georgia and the Southeast. To realize this goal, the IPRCE Research Core’s Pilot Research Program (PReP) seeks to fund pilot grants led by Emory faculty that will catalyze and advance IPRCE priorities and priorities of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention’s National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) in falls, traumatic brain injury (TBI), opioid and other drug safety/overdose prevention, violence prevention, and transportation injury prevention. Learn more
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation – 2021 Culture of Health Prize
Deadline: Thursday, August 15
The purpose of the Prize is to elevate the compelling stories of places where residents are working together to transform education, jobs, transportation, housing, and more. Learn more

Extramural Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program
Applications are accepted annually from September 1 through November 20
The NIH Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs) are a set of programs established by Congress and designed to recruit and retain highly qualified health professionals into biomedical or biobehavioral research careers.
Clinical Researchers
Health Disparities
Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Clinical Pilot and Feasibility Award
Deadlines: Friday, September 4 (LOI); January 25, 2021 (Full application)
The purpose of this FOA is to enable investigators to collect sufficient preliminary data to determine the best strategies and methods for approaching a major question that ultimately will require assessment through a larger scale research and/or multi-center, collaborative clinical trial. Learn more

Promoting Research on Music and Health: Phased Innovation Award for Music Interventions (R61/R33 Clinical Trial Optional)
Deadline: Thursday, October 1 (various)
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to promote innovative research on music and health with an emphasis on developing music interventions aimed at understanding their mechanisms of action and clinical applications for the treatment of many diseases, disorders, and conditions. Learn more

Obesity Policy Evaluation Research (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
Deadline: Monday, October 5
The purpose of this Notice is to inform potential applicants of NIH’s interest in research evaluating large-scale policies or programs implemented at the local, state or national level that are expected to influence obesity-related behaviors (e.g., dietary intake, physical activity, or sedentary behavior) and/or weight outcomes with a goal of preventing or reducing rates of obesity. Learn more

COVID-19 Funding Opportunities
Fast Grants – Fast Funding for COVID-19 Science
Applicants will receive funding decisions within 14 days of their submission. (The deadline is open, but dependent upon remaining funds.) Science funding mechanisms are too slow in normal times and may be much too slow during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are a scientist at an academic institution currently working on a COVID-19 related project and in need of funding, we invite you to apply for a Fast Grant. Please contact your RAS unit and Kristin Anderson to inform them of your intent to submit. Learn more

Limited Competition Emergency Awards: Shared Personal Protective Equipment Resources for COVID-19 Related Vaccine and Treatment Clinical Trials and Clinical Studies (S10 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
Deadline: Rolling
The purpose of this public health emergency funding opportunity is to provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to directly support the needs of the NIAID’s vaccine and treatment clinical trials and clinical studies for COVID-19. This program will ensure that adequate protective equipment is available to directly assist in safely carrying out the clinical activities and direct interactions with the patients participating in the trial. Learn more

Congratulatory Corner
Marshall Lyon (PI), Co-I’s: Aneesh Mehta, Colleen Kraft, Nadine Rouphael (Infectious Diseases) received funding from Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. for a project entitled, “A master protocol assessing the safety, tolerability, and efficacy of anti-spike (S) SARS-CoV-2 monoclonal antibodies for the treatment of ambulatory patients with COVID-19.”

Rachel Friedman-Moraco (Infectious Diseases) received funding from Hemophilia of Georgia for a project entitled, “Hemophilia Clinical Activities and Studies.”

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

Let Us Know

Recent Notable Publications

Neal Dickert, Andrea Mitchell, Candace Speight (Cardiology)

Akihiro Kuma, Xiaonan H Wang, Janet D Klein, Fitra Rianto, Ying Huang, Manshu Yu, Jeff M Sands, (Nephrology) Lin Tan, Nawazish Naqvi (Cardiology)

Marina Hernandes and Kathy Griendling (Cardiology)
Carlos Del Rio and Wendy Armstrong (Infectious Diseases)
Del Rio C, Armstrong WS. How much are we willing to pay for preexposure prophylaxis in the United States?. Ann Intern Med. 2020;172(9):623-624. Read more

Jeffrey Collins (Infectious Diseases)

Events

DOM Divisional Research Faculty Huddles
All DOM researchers are welcome to attend Divisional Research Huddles to discuss COVID-19 related updates.
Cardiology: Wednesday, July 21 | 11 a.m. via Zoom

Anti-racism advocacy for structural and systemic change
Wednesday, July 22 | 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Panelists: Jasmin Eatman; Aaron Lee; Theodore Johnson II, MD, MPH
Moderator: Tracey Henry, MD, MPH, MS Register

Data publication and citation: How do I get credit for promotion?
Friday, July 31 | 2 – 3 p.m.
LITS and Lance Waller’s Data Science Initiative are putting together a webinar series for the summer and fall based on Rigor and Reproducibility. This first seminar in the series will be presented by Lance Waller, Director of the WHSC-Data Science initiative and Jen Doty, Research Data Librarian at Woodruff Library. Flyer | Register

2020 Pediatric Research and Career Development Symposium
Tuesday, August 4 | 9 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.
This annual event showcases the local clinical, basic and translational research conducted by our fellows and junior faculty. Keynote speaker: Ann Chahroudi, MD, PhD, Director, Center for Childhood Infectious & Vaccines, Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist, Emory Healthcare, Associate Professor, Infectious Diseases, Department of Pediatrics. Flyer | Register

Transitioning back to a transformed campus: Conflict resolution in a socially-distanced community
Tuesday, August 4 | 1:30 p.m.
Join the Office of the Ombudsperson for a one-hour workshop, featuring distinguished scholars
Dr. Nadine Kaslow and Dr. Michael Sacks. Moderated by Associate Ombudsperson Brian Green, this workshop will discuss the challenges that returning to a socially-distanced community will present for addressing interpersonal and institutional conflicts on campus—and how those challenges may be transformed into opportunities. Register

**Pediatric EducAtion Research Series (PEARS)**

**Friday, August 14 | noon – 1 p.m.**

**Topic:** “Conducting device studies vs drug studies”

**Presenters:** Amanda Graham and Melissa Burnett

The Pediatric EducAtion Research Series (PEARS) was created specifically for coordinators and research nurses working in Pediatrics Emory and Children’s. Formats for sessions will vary and include panels, single speaker, followed by discussion or questions and answer. Register

**Researcher Spotlight**

Gina Lundberg

Associate Professor – Cardiology

**What is your professional background?**

I’ve been a cardiologist at Saint Joseph’s Hospital since 1998. I became part of the Emory faculty in 2013 when Saint Joseph’s became a part of Emory. My focus has been on heart disease in women ever since I started the first woman’s heart center in the state of Georgia in 1998.
In what division do you work, and who is your mentor?
I am in the Division of Cardiology and serve as the clinical director of the Emory Women’s Heart Center (EWHC). As such, Dr. Nanette Wenger has been my mentor, sponsor, supporter, and friend. The EWHC has been expanding across all Emory campuses and we have an excellent group of physicians who provide clinical care to women in the Atlanta area.

Briefly describe your research. Why is it important?
I am the PI of the EWHC 10,000 women hypertension screening project. We focus on screening African-American women in the Atlanta area for hypertension and cardiovascular risk factors. To date, we have screened 1000 women and have had multiple abstracts and presentations based on our findings.

What do you like most about Emory?
I love academic mentoring and teaching! As I get older, I feel contributing to and shaping the future is much more important and fulfilling than providing individual clinical care. It feels like the difference in giving a man a fish and teaching him how to fish.

What is your favorite movie or TV show?
I love strong female characters. My favorite series are ‘Outlander’ and 'The Good Wife.'

What do you like to do in your spare time?
I love spending time in the north Georgia mountains and snow skiing. I love traveling to beautiful mountains and beautiful beaches while enjoying museums, good food, and good wine.

What is a fun fact about you?
I met my husband while traveling through the Greek Islands after graduation from medical school. He was from Western Canada so we dated long-distance for five years until we got married. We are both passionate about travel and adventure.