Online Portals Now Open for Translational Science 2017

Registration and abstract submission are now open for Translational Science 2017! Join the brightest minds from across the spectrum of translational research April 19-21, 2017 in Washington, DC.

Why Attend Translational Science 2017?
- EXPLORE the latest research, including sessions from today's top minds in the field
- COLLABORATE with more than 900 scientific peers during unparalleled opportunities to create new connections
- EDUCATE yourself on key issues presented by plenary speakers
- INNOVATE your research by submitting a poster abstract, and gain visibility among peers and colleagues

Submit Your Abstract

The deadline to send in your poster abstract for Translational Science 2017 is tomorrow, Friday, January 13!

Submit your abstract today, and join us April 19-21 in Washington, DC to showcase your research, gain visibility, and explore new opportunities for collaboration with the brightest minds from across the spectrum of translational research.

Translational Science Ancillary Meetings

Are you interested in hosting a meeting in conjunction with Translational Science 2017? Visit the ACTS Website to submit your request by filling out the Ancillary Meeting Request Form.
Can Robots Make Hospital Treatments Less Traumatic for Sick Children?
November 30th, 2016 | SC CTSI
By Paul Karon

See what Margaret J. Trost, MD, assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics, Division of Hospital Medicine, Keck School of Medicine of USC, has to say about making hospital experiences better for children here.

URMC Chosen for National Community Health and Health Equity Initiative
January 12th, 2017 | URMC
By Karin Christensen

"This is an exciting opportunity for us and our academic medical center colleagues, along with our public health and community partners, to share best practices and further develop targeted actions to address issues related to community health, population health and health equity," said Theresa Green, Ph.D., M.B.A., director of URMC Community Health Education and Policy. See the full article here.

Reminder: JCTS Submissions Now Open!

Journal of Clinical and Translational Science

Reminder that submissions are now open for Journal of Clinical and Translational Science (JCTS). Submit by following this link: journals.cambridge.org/cts/submit.

Journal of Clinical and Translational Science is an international peer-reviewed journal that will publish papers capturing the spectrum of research from T1 (translation from research lab bench to bedside) through T4 (translation to populations). JCTS aims to provide a forum for the rapid communication of relevant topics of interests to the large and diverse community of clinical and translational scientists. The ultimate goal of JCTS is to improve the efficiency with which research and new diagnostics, therapies, and preventive measures, informed by health needs, are able to reach the public.

Specifically, JCTS will highlight outstanding work in the following areas:

- Basic Translational Research
- Clinical Research
- Education
- Research Methods
- Implementation
- Policy and Community Engagement
- Translational Research Design and Analysis

News from The Hill

Dale Dirks & Dane Christiansen

Newsletter: January 6, 2017

The 115th Congress convened on Tuesday, January 3rd, with a number of high-profile items and daunting legislative tasks already pending before legislators. During the first few months of the year, Congress will consider finalizing appropriations for fiscal year (FY) 2017, begin the FY 2018 appropriations process, face raising the debt ceiling, and work to confirm the cabinet nominations for the incoming administration of President-elect Donald Trump. (See the full newsletter here.)
Stay current on NIH Funding and Translational Science happenings in Washington, DC by visiting the ACTS Advocacy home page.

Forecast - Health Reform Repeal/Replace and Federal Funding for RY 2017-2018 in the 115th Congress and incoming Administration

The January 3rd beginning of the 115th Congress is just around the corner and the presidential inauguration takes place on January 20th-installing Donald Trump as the 45th US President. Repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act (ACA) has been the subject of a great deal of debate and speculation since the election, and Republican congressional leaders have vowed to make this a first order of business when they return in early 2017.

See the full update here.

Gallin appointed to new leadership position [NIH Notice]

For more than two decades, while under the leadership of director Dr. John I. Gallin, the NIH Clinical Center achieved scientific advances that are saving hundreds of thousands of lives, pioneered countless patient-centered initiatives and trained the next generation of clinician-scientists. This January, Gallin will complete a transition from hospital director to a newly created role as NIH Associate Director for Clinical Research and Chief Scientific Officer for the Clinical Center, where he can leverage his unparalleled experience to tackle a number of emergent challenges facing both the hospital and the Intramural Research Program.

Read the full notice here.

From Our Members

Professional Mentoring Skill Enhancing Diversity (PROMISED)

Expand your career coaching, leadership and mentoring skills to serve scientists from underrepresented groups with this free, interactive program.

Applications open online until February 15, 2017

PROMISED is for mentors at the late Assistant Professor level or above. Fellows receive...

- Face-to-face instruction on how to be a career coach
- Training through a series of one-month, online modules
- CME/CEU Credit and Certificates

Job Opportunity

A full-time faculty position is available in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at UCDavis the Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor level in the Clinical X or In Residence Series for a clinical researcher studying any area of child psychiatry.
Grants & Grant News

AIDS AND CANCER SPECIMEN RESOURCE YOUNG INVESTIGATOR PILOT AWARD

Funding is made available through the AIDS and Cancer Specimen Resource (ACSR), an NCI funded cooperative agreement that supports the collection and expert preservation of clinically-annotated biospecimens for multidisciplinary HIV research, bridging laboratory basic science with clinical, behavioral, and epidemiological studies. Download the flyer here.

New Grant Opportunities

Planning for Non-Communicable Diseases and Disorders Research Training Programs in Low and Middle Income Countries (D71)  
**PAR-17-097**  
*D71* International Research Training Planning Grant  
Fogarty International Center (FIC)  
This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) for research training program planning invites submissions from low- and middle-income country (LMIC) institution(s) with existing research and research training capacity in chronic, non-communicable diseases and disorders (NCDs). These institutions must propose to assess needs and develop a plan for a research training program within the LMIC(s) that will further strengthen the capacity of LMIC individuals, institution(s) and country(ies) to identify NCD priorities and conduct NCD research across the lifespan.

Academic-Industrial Partnerships to Translate and Validate in vivo Cancer Imaging Systems (R01)  
**PAR-17-093**  
*R01* Research Project Grant  
National Cancer Institute (NCI)  
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to stimulate translation of scientific discoveries and engineering developments in imaging or spectroscopic technologies into methods or tools that address problems in cancer biology, risk of cancer development, diagnosis, treatment, and/or disease status.

Centers for Oceans and Human Health 3: Impacts of Climate Change on Oceans and Great Lakes (COHH3) (P01)  
**RFA-ES-16-009**  
*P01* Research Program Projects  
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)  
Geosciences Directorate, Division of Ocean Sciences (GEO/OCE)  
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to invite applications for multi-component projects that will investigate the impact of climate change on emerging public health threats associated with marine and Great Lakes Basin environments. The focus of the program will be to support research on the exposures, toxicities and human health impacts that arise in these environments and how climate change is influencing these factors now and in the future. The FOA solicits applications that will achieve program goals through integrated, multidisciplinary scientific approaches and a community engagement component.

NINDS Exploratory Clinical Trials (R01)  
**PAR-17-122**  
*R01* Research Project Grant  
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)  
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage grant applications for investigator-initiated exploratory clinical trials to the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). The trials must address questions within the mission and research interests of the NINDS and may evaluate drugs, biologics, and devices, as well as surgical, behavioral, and rehabilitation therapies. Information about the mission and research interests of the NINDS can be found at the NINDS website ([http://www.ninds.nih.gov/](http://www.ninds.nih.gov/)).
Do you know someone who deserves to be recognized for outstanding or groundbreaking work? Send ACTS your story to be highlighted in future versions of ACTS Connection. Submit stories to info@actscience.org.