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University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)  
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University of Alberta (Non-U.S.)  
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University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland), University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)  
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Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (Virginia)  
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Preceptors: Dr. Raisa Freidlin, Dr. Peter Choyke, Dr. Baris Turkbey, Mr. Thomas Pohida

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Cornell University (New York)  
Preceptors: Ms. Stephanie Smith, Dr. Tyra Wolfsberg, Dr. Charles Venditti

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AM-16 Sofia Dragacevac
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Why is Rover Red? Genetics of Red Coat Color Variation in Domestic Dogs
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Rubinstein Taybi Syndrome in Diverse Populations
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AM-29 Melanie Martinez
RNA Sequencing Analysis of Cbfb-MYH11 Knock-In Mice
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AM-30 Elisa McRae
Analysis of Anakinra Use during Pregnancy
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AM-31 Mira Mookerjee
Identifying Structural Variants in a Linkage-identified Region for Subjects with Persistent Stuttering
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AM-32 Carli Needle
The Role of Metabolic Switching in Zebrafish Caudal Fin Regeneration
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AM-33 Tysha Newman
Obstetric History as a Risk Factor for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).
Bowie State University (Maryland)
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AM-34 Daniela Nganjo
Genetic and Chemical Approaches to Understanding Hearing Development and Regeneration
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AM-35 Kenzhane Pantin
Do BRCA2 mutations Increase Risk for Cancers Other than Breast Cancer, Ovarian Cancer, and Melanoma?
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Skeletal Manifestations in ERT-treated Patients with Neuronopathic Gaucher Disease.
Universidad Central del Caribe School of Medicine (Puerto Rico)
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Pro-fibrotic Phenotype of Primary Human Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome Cells
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*Coping and Resilience: Association between Positive Aspects of Caregiving and Health of Parent-Caregivers*
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*Homzygous Missense Variant in NR2C2AP Is Possibly Associated with Primary Microcephaly and Cortical Malformations*
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*Molecular Characterization of beta-galactosidase Deficient Mouse Model of Human GM1 Gangliosidosis*
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AM-42 Kathryn Windsor
*Longitudinal Transcriptome and Protein Characterization of a-Synuclein and Glucocerebrosidase in a Mouse Model of Gaucher Disease*
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AM-43 Angela Wu
*Discovery of Microbial Communities in Metagenomic Data Using Topic Modeling*
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*Effect of Chronic Cannabis Withdrawal on Reward Seeking in Mice*
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AM-45 Rishitha Anumola
*Real Time in vivo Measurements of Endocannabinoid Signaling during Striatum-dependent Behaviors*
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AM-46 Nina Brown  
*Assessment of the Mu-opioid Receptor System through in vivo Peripheral Analyses*  
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*Gene Network of Dopamine Receptor Type 2 (Drd2)*  
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AM-48 Gari Feria  
*The Interaction between Age and Suggestibility on Adult Alcohol Consumption*  
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*Biobehavioral Characterization of Racial Disparity between Black and White Individuals in Relation to Alcohol Use Disorder*  
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AM-50 Sean Hernandez  
*Projections from the Paraventricular Nucleus of the Thalamus to the Striatum Can Evoke Dopamine Transients through Glutamatergic and Cholinergic Signaling*  
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AM-51 Tawnjerae Joe  
*Effects of Alcohol Pre-exposure on Cocaine Locomotor Sensitization*  
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AM-52 Alana Keller  
*Bottle to Bottle: The Link between Early Life Stress, Alcohol Expectancies, and Alcohol Consumption*  
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AM-53 Jean Kim  
*Differential Expression of Cytochrome P450-2E1 (CYP2E1) and Other P450 Isoforms in the Small Intestine and Liver of Alcohol- or Fructose-Exposed Rodents*  
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*Alterations in Striatal Dopamine Levels Correlated with Sleep Disturbances during Cannabis Withdrawal*  
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AM-55 Sarthak Shah  
*Optimization of Radiotracer Production and Biological Application for Positron Emission Tomography in Brain Addiction*  
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AM-56 Belal Yasin  
*Preclinical Evaluation of Functionally Distinctive Adenosine A1 Radiotracers Using PET.*  
Howard University (District of Columbia)  
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AM-57 Mei Xing Zuo  
*Exploring Cell Specific Expression of Cannabinoid CB1R and iNOS in Pulmonary Fibrosis Development Using an Animal Model of Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome Pulmonary Fibrosis*  
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*Mutation or Variation? Functional Assessment of Patient Variants in IRF2BP2*  
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*Development of an Assay to Determine Presence of a Proprietary Molecule in Process Development*  
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*In vitro Affinity Maturation of Broadly Neutralizing HIV Antibody CAP256-VRC26.25*  
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*Biologically Active Molecules as Immune Modulators in Beta-glucan Trained Human Macrophage Cells*  
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*Assessing the Impact of HSCT on Cytokine Levels in CGD vs. Non-CGD Mice*  
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*Inborn Errors in Proteoglycan Synthesis Impair gp130 Signaling to Promote Allergic Phenotypes in Humans*  
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AM-64 Nicholas Breehl  
*Pichia Expression of a pfs230D1 Fusion for Evaluation as a Part of a Two-component Self-assembling Nanopartical Vaccine*  
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AM-65 Terance Camacho  
*Immunophenotyping Markers in Blood and Cerebrospinal Fluid of Multiple Sclerosis Patients*  
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*Characterizing Secreted IgM and IgG3 Bound to B Cells of HIV-infected Individuals*  
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*Effect of Preventive Coartem® Treatment on Malaria Exposures in a Cohort of Malian Children*  
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AM-68 Amanda Chan  
*Monoclonal Antibody Binding to SIV gp120 Envelope Proteins Reveals Biochemical Properties and Antigenic Features*  
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A Molecular Characterization of the Interaction between the CD4 Receptor and Integrin alpha4beta7 on alpha4beta7high CD4+ T cells
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Purification, Characterization, and Structural Study of the HCMV Envelope Trimer
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AM-71 Steven Chen
Design and Optimization of Nanoparticle Carrier Vaccines Targeting the Fusion Peptide of HIV-1
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AM-72 Holly Coleman
Integration of Proteomics and Metabolomics for the Identification of Severe Malaria Biomarkers
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AM-73 Kimia Dasteh Goli
The Expression and Purification of Cas9 from CRISPR/Cas9 Gene Editing System
University of Illinois at Chicago (Illinois)
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AM-74 David Dean
Characterization of Plasmodium falciparum Translation-enhancing Factor
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AM-75 Trisha Deshmukh
Transfection Platforms and Stability for Vaccine Reagent Production
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Identifying Host Proteins Interacting with Tg ROP38 to Affect Immune Signaling in Toxoplasma Infected cells
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*Generation of Reporter Genes in Leishmania tropica*  
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AM-78 Sarah Gao  
*CXCL9-binding Peptides for PET Imaging*  
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AM-79 Arindam Ghosh  
*The Conformation of an Epitope in CD4 Domain 2 Is Altered by HIV gp120 Binding to CD4 Domain 1*  
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*Quality Control for Development of Antigen Specific B cell Analysis via Flow Cytometry for HIV Clinical Trials*  
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*Evaluation of bDEF1 Regulation in Intestinal Epithelial Cells of SIV-Infected Macaques*  
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*The Role of GPR35 Nonsense Mutation in Susceptibility of Previously-healthy People to Cryptococcal Meningoencephalitis*  
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*Analyzing the Role of Antigen Affinity in Differentiation of Memory B Cell to Plasma Cell*  
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*Interleukin-7 Potently Induces the Release of Anti-HIV Chemokines in Human Peripheral Blood Mononuclear Cells*  
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AM-85 Dorottya Harangi
*The Function of CD151 in Response to Cryptococcus Infection*
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*Identification and Characterization of Retnla+ Colon Macrophages/Dendritic Cells*
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*Exploring the Mechanisms of Intracellular Gram-negative Bacteria Recognition*
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*Characterizing Ccr1L1, an Orphan Mouse Chemokine Receptor*
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AM-89 Judah Levy
*Immunoglobulin Allele Detection in Underresearched Populations*
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*SeqSorter: A Desktop Application to Summarize Barcode Sequences of NGS Data*
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*Structural Characterization of Norovirus VLPs and Interaction with Neutralizing Antibodies*
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*Synthesis of Pfs230-DT as a Malarial Transmission Blocking Vaccine*
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AM-93 Ayelet Makovoz
*The Role of Trabecular Bone Scores and Bone Turnover Markers in the Assessment of Fracture Risk in Patients with Systemic Mastocytosis*
AM-94 Maxwell Marshall
*Evaluation of DNA Damage Response in Hepatitis Delta Transfected Cells*
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*Fitness of D7 Salivary Knockout Aedes aegypti Mosquitoes*
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*Comparative Genomic Analysis of 149 M. tuberculosis Isolates: A Look beyond SNPs into Large Sequence Polymorphisms*
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*Immune Modulation by Brugia malayi Microfilaria-derived Extracellular Vesicles*
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AM-98 Matthew Moser
*Systemic Regulation of Growth Factor Proteins in Human Filarial Infection*
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*Studying Clag3 Trafficking in P. falciparum*
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AM-100 Lydia Narum
*Growth Characteristics of African Thicket Rats from Birth to Day 28*
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*Characterizing the Metabolic Output of T Cells Using Seahorse Flux Analyzer*
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*Lineage-Based Design of Influenza Immunogens for Elicitation of the HV6-1 Class of Broadly Neutralizing Antibodies*  
Northwest High School (Maryland)  
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AM-103 Nashae Prout  
*Contrasting Roles for Type 1 Interferon Signaling in Two Models of Intracellular Bacterial Infection*  
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*Detection of Products of Excipient Degradation in Vaccine Formulation Buffers*  
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AM-105 Ujwal Punyamurtula  
*Shotgun Proteomics of Germ-free and Conventionalized Mice on Western and Normal Diets*  
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*The Impact of Dietary Iron Restriction on Hepatic Hepcidin Expression in Sickle Cell Mice*  
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*Determining Potency of Therapeutic Monoclonal Antibody Charge Isoforms*  
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*Establishing a Diffusion Gradient in a Micro-chamber to Study Chemotaxis*  
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AM-109 Janis Shin  
*HIV Fusion Peptide Immunogen Design Using Virus-like Particles*  
University of Washington (Washington)  
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AM-110 Niharika Shukla
Cross-reactivity of a PvDBP-specific Monoclonal Antibody with a P. falciparum Placental-Malaria Antigen
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AM-111 Deven Singh
Ocular Findings of Cryptococcal Meningitis in Previously Healthy Patients
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AM-112 Julia Smolen
Confirming the Platform Purification Process of HIV-1 Trimeric Envelope Protein Vaccine Candidates: Stage 1 Design Space Parameter Exploration
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AM-113 Zachary Stotz
Structural Engineering of KRAS G12V-Specific T-cell Receptors
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AM-114 Julia Szepieniec
Expression of Full Length VAR2CSA in an Episomal System
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AM-115 Jessica Tiako
Autoantibody Screening in Neurocysticercosis Patients
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AM-116 Christina Toumanios
Producing SHIV Virus-like Particles to Study Antibody-Virion Immune Complexes in Non-human Primates
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AM-117 Trisha Tucholski
NativePAGE-MS Mediated Characterization of the ASK Signalosome in LPS-stimulated Macrophages
University of Wisconsin-Madison (Wisconsin)
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AM-118 John Vaile
*Immunotargeting of Subcapsular Sinus Macrophages by Co-delivering Vaccine Antigen with Alpha-2-HS Glycoprotein (Fetuin A)*
University of Delaware (Delaware)
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AM-119 Sara Verschleisser
*Contribution of Engineered Disulfide Bonds to MHC-I Molecule Stability*
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AM-120 Anne Werner
*Immunogenicity of MERS S2 Protein in Mice*
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AM-121 Christina Yap
*Influenza Hemagglutinin-stem Displayed on Self-assembling Nanoparticles Induces Heterosubtypic Immune Response*
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AM-122 Jessie Yung
*Characterization of FP-Bacteriophage VLP Immunogens*
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AM-123 Sarah Zalar
*Seroprevalence of Emerging GII.17 Norovirus Strains*
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*Long Term Follow-up and Outcomes of Subjects with IgE and IgG Autoantibodies in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus*
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AM-125 Hugh Alessi
High-throughput Screening in Primary Immune Cells
Colorado College (Colorado)
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AM-126 Ashley Bushey
Differential B Cell Activation and Interferon Responses in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
Temple University (Pennsylvania)
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AM-127 Marlee Dinterman
Genome Editing Experiments to Investigate the Functional Interactions between Transcription Factors
West Virginia University (West Virginia)
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AM-128 Rajee Ganesan
Novel Serum-based Proteomic Analysis in Juvenile Dermatomyositis (JDM)
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AM-129 Uzma Hussain
Deciphering the Role of TGFbeta3 Variants in Scleroderma Pathogenesis
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AM-130 Amal Hutchinson
Matk Function in the Brain
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AM-131 Christopher Jones
The Effect of MYD88 S209R on Cell Death.
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AM-132 Tyler Kellenberger
Understanding the Anticancer Mechanism of Disulfiram, Copper, and Etoposide in Merkel Cell Carcinoma
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AM-133 Viridiana Murillo
Predicting the Immune Cell Types Encoded in a Genome by Searching for Orthologs of Known Cell Type Markers
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AM-134 Manolya Osman
Using Three-Dimensional (3D) Imaging as a Quantitative Analysis of Cutaneous Neurofibromas for Future Clinical Trials
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AM-135 Lowrey Peyton
Single Cell Analysis of Adult Mouse Skeletal Muscle Stem Cells in Homeostatic and Regenerative Conditions
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AM-136 Leah Schachter
Tagging Mitochondrial RNA Binding Proteins to Study Post-transcriptional Gene Regulation
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AM-137 Anne Schauer
Optimization of an Assay to Assess Phosphorylation of STAT4 in Human Peripheral Blood Mononuclear Cells
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AM-138 Kathleen Burkhard
Optimization and Analysis of Recovered Cells from 3D Cancer Cultures with Micropillar Oxygen Delivery
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AM-139 Britney Forsyth
Motion and Eddy Current Correction of Diffusion MRI Data with Python
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AM-140 Ishan Kalburge
Using Atomic Force Microscopy to Study Collagen Assembly toward Extracellular Matrix
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AM-141 William Pace
Development of an Intraarticular Fracture Model for Studying the Progression of Post-traumatic Osteoarthritis in a Rat
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*Characterization of Hippocampal Parvalbumin Interneurons during Disease Progression in the 5xFAD Mouse Model of Alzheimer's Disease*  
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*Fluorescence Analysis of TIRF Images to Differentiate Membrane and ER Expression of Sodium Channels*
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AM-241 Lydia Guo  
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AM-242 Randall Hughes  
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AM-243 Ryan Hunt  
MRI Single Cell Tracking Allows for Visualization of Monocyte Entry to Brain during Neuroinflammation  
Michigan State University (Michigan)
AM-244 Laura Inbody
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AM-245 Yasaswini Iyer
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Immunohistochemistry Stains
Case Western Reserve University (Ohio)
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AM-248 Alexis Johnson
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AM-250 Mahish Kewalramani
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AM-251 Asha Krishnakumar
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*Characterization of a Mouse Model for Neuroligin Deficit at Excitatory Synapses*  
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*Characterization of TMEM132B in Cultured Hippocampal Neurons*  
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*Mechanism of TDP-43 Mediated Upregulation of HERV-k Expression*  
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*An Interactive Screening Test for the Assessment of Possible Cognitive Impairments - Version 2.0 with Additional Assessments and Enhancements*  
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AM-257 Miles Martinez  
*Atlas-free Brain Segmentation by Classification using DERivative-based Features (CDEF) in Progressive Multifocal Leukoencephalopathy (PML)*  
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AM-259 Matthew Nelson  
*Automated CRISPRi Screens in iPSC-derived Neurons*  
University of Michigan (Michigan)  
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*Characterizing Postsynaptic Density Protein 95 via Molecular Biology and Recombinant Protein Techniques*
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (North Carolina)
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AM-261 Thomas Policicchio
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AM-262 Angela Quintero
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University of Puerto Rico at Bayamon (Puerto Rico)
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AM-263 Jenna Richter
*Investigating Disrupted mRNA Processing in Patients with Spinal Muscular Atrophy with Respiratory Distress Type 1 (SMARD1)*
St. Olaf College (Minnesota)
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AM-264 Evan Rubinovitz
*M-BRAIN: Marmoset Brain Research and Imaging Network*
Stony Brook University (New York)
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AM-265 Ntumba Sangwa
*Structural Model of Human Glycine-selective Transporter GlyT1*
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AM-266 Vibha Sastri
*Characterization of Inhibitory Synapses through Immunocytochemistry*
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IT Asset Lifecycle
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Optimization of a High Throughput Genetic Test for Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome in Patients with Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia
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The Effect of Self-reported Stress and Discrimination on Responses to Acute Pain in a Diverse Sample
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PM-49 Uriah Contreras
Expression and Distribution of Genetically Distinct Neurons Involved in Pain Modulation in the Subnuclei of the Central Amygdala
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Biochemical Characterization of Tyrosyl-DNA-Phosphodiesterase 2 (TDP2) and its Inhibitors
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PM-51 Sana Ahmad
Effect of Glucose and Fructose on Tumor Cell Growth and Radiation Response
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PM-52 Ahnaf Khan
Identifying Novel Immune Cell Subsets in 4T1 Tumor Model through Computational Analysis of scRNA-seq Data
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PM-53 Sahana Aiyer
Investigating the Inhibitory Role of Ac4C in Nuclease-mediated Degradation
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A Novel Procedure for the Quantitative Recovery of Small Intestine Intraepithelial Lymphocytes
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Pseudo Labels Yield Better Mitochondrial Segmentation from FIB-SEM Datasets
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Exploring Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) in State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plans
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PM-57 Pegah Avazpour
Generation of a Drug Resistant TNIK Mutant to Assess Specificity of Inhibitors in LSCC
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PM-58 Justin Azmoodeh
Enhancing CD8 T Cell Antitumor Efficacy by Modification of Expression of Retinoblastoma Binding Protein 7
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PM-59 Anav Babbar
Drug Sensitivity in RepID Depleted Small Cell Lung Cancer Cell Lines
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Role of Dietary Interventions in the Efficacy of Anti-Pd1 Therapy and the Modification of Tumor Microenvironment
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PM-61 Victoria Bergstein
Development and Validation of Assays for Sleeping Beauty Transposon System in TCR Gene Therapy
Dartmouth College (New Hampshire)
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PM-62 Avigail Berkovic
Restoring Vision by Using Optogenetic Gene Therapy to Induce Photosensitivity in Bipolar Cells
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PM-63 Lynn Bi, Brandon Wang
Prolonged ex vivo Animation of Tumor-bearing Liver as the Ideal Tumor Model System
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Analysis of a Risk-associated SNP within the ORF of a Putative IncRNA in Colorectal Cancer Cells
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PM-65 Noela Botaka
Evaluating Binding Profiles of Human Antibodies to Carbohydrates
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PM-66 Stefanie Brizuela
Mutation in Splicing Factor U2AF1 Governs RNA Processing
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Mutations in a Scaffolding Protein Attenuate Sporulation in Bacillus subtilis
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PM-68 Sravani Buddhavarapu, Arnav Sinha, Veda Nagubandi
Detecting Early Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapy Using Metabolic Magnetic Resonance Imaging
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Understanding the Role of P-glycoprotein in Cancer Drug Resistance
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*National Institute of Health Funded Multi-level Studies of Adherence to Treatment and Prevention across Various Chronic Conditions*
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*Determining Drug-specific Synthetic Lethality of Combination Cancer Therapies*
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PM-72 Nikki Cannon
*Investigation of the Production of and Resistance to Antibiotics in Human Gut Microbiotas of Diverse Populations by Shotgun Metagenomic Analysis*
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*Analysis of the Effect of Depletion of SBNO2 on EWS-FLI1 Transcriptional Activity*
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*Akt Inhibition Promotes foxo1 Activity and the Dark Zone State in Germinal Center B Cells*
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*The Metabolic Rewiring of Drug-resistant Melanoma with Therapeutic Potential*
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*Evaluating the Impacts of Medicaid Expansion on Use and Costs of anti-HER2 Breast Cancer Therapies*
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*Deficiency of Mitochondrial Topoisomerase I (TOP1MT) Alters Fat Metabolism Promoting Non-alcoholic Steatohepatitis (NASH)*
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*Metabolic Syndrome and Stage of Breast Cancer at Diagnosis*
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*Investigating the Interplay of CBFB-RUNX1 and Notch Signaling in Breast Cancer*
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*The Inhibition of Smad 1/5 Phosphorylation by TGF-Beta*
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*Developing a Cell Based System to Study Whole Chromosomal Aneuploidy by Using CRISPR/Cas9 Mediated Genome Editing*
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*Determining How HU Regulates Genes in Escherichia coli*
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*Childhood Leukemia Mortality Trends in the USA and Selected Latin American Countries: 2000 to 2015*
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*The Significance of p53-Regulated IncRNAs in the Context of Colorectal Cancer*
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*Analysis and Interpretation of the Health Information National Trends Survey (HINTS) Cancer Data*
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*Identification and Functional Characterization of Residues Critical to Antiviral Function of IFITM3*
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*Generation of p27 and p21 Knockout Mouse Embryonic Stem Cell Lines by CRISPR/Cas9 Targeting*
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*Characterization of a Novel Phage Growth Inhibitor Present in Carbapenemase-resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae*
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*Human Proteomic Datasets Enable Global Analysis of Protein Phosphorylations Associated with CDK1 Activity in Cancer*
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*Correlates of Sunburn Experiences in CDC's SummerStyles 2018*
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*Effects of TNF-α on the Extracellular Matrix of Aggressive Thyroid Cancer Microenvironment and Drug Delivery*
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*Elucidating the Synergistic Mechanism between Cereblon Modulation and MEK Inhibition in Neuroblastoma*
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*Examining Neural Diseases through Mini Brain Organoid with Electron Microscopy*
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*Protection from Autoimmunity by Neutralizing the Biological Function of Interleukin 27*
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*Modulating the Response to Immune Checkpoint Blockade through the Regulation of Melanoma Differentiation*
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*Investigating the Impact of DNA-PK Inhibitor NU7441 on CD8+ T Cells*
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*Peripheral Blood Immune Cells as a Surrogate for Antitumor Immune Response in Oncology Trials*
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*The Anti-differentiation Noncoding RNA (ANCR) Regulates Breast Cancer Transformation and Metastasis*
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*A Genome-wide Enhancer/Suppressor Screen for Arf1 Interacting Genes in Drosophila melanogaster*
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Characterization of the Effect of NAMPT Inhibition on Cellular Metabolism in Pediatric Rhabdomyosarcoma
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Structure-Function Determinants of Antiadaptor, IraM, Mediated Regulation of General Bacterial Stress Activator
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Preceptors: Dr. Susan Gottesman, Dr. Arti Tripathi, Ms. Kylie Borden

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Repurposing and Characterization of HDAC and Proteasomal Inhibitors to Circumvent EGFR TKI Resistance in Lung Adenocarcinoma
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DNA Damage-induced Necroptosis in Tumors
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Xeroderma Pigmentosum and Trichothiodystrophy: A Diagnostic Odyssey
Howard University (District of Columbia)
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PM-107 Laura Gayowski, Josephine Kievsky
Using Mathematical Modeling to Predict Incidence of Rare Disease
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PM-108 Heelah Gholian
Viral Exposure Signatures in Liver Cancer
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PM-109 Shoham Ghosh
A Novel miR-331-3p/ADAMTSL3 Axis Enhances Disease Aggressiveness in Resected Pancreatic Cancer Patients
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Specificity and Performance of Antibodies for CODEX, a New Technology for Multiplex Tissue Imaging
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Mechanisms of NAMPT Inhibitor-induced Apoptosis in Ewing Sarcoma
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PM-112 Archita Goyal
The Impact of a Child's Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1) on the Parents' Relationship
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Unraveling Lineage-specific Transcription Factors That Drive Self-renewal and Differentiation in Neuroblastoma
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Evaluating the Effect of Drug Combinations in Proteasome Inhibitor-resistant Multiple Myeloma
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The Effect of KPT330 and Temozolomide on Radiation Therapy in Glioblastoma
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PM-116 William Hajjar
Study of Thymocyte Development and Differentiation into αβ T cells
James Madison University (Virginia)
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Investigation of XPO7 as a Therapeutic Target in Cholangiocarcinoma and Ovarian Cancer
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The Binding Mechanism of Centromere-binding factor 3 (CBF3) to the Yeast Nucleosome
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PM-119 Bryce Hendren-Santiago
The Role of Isoleucine 353 of ASAP1 in Linking Phosphoinositide Binding to GAP Activity
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Illinois)
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Investigating the Cell Surface Signaling of Interferon Lambda 4 and its Possible Role in Liver Cancer
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Characterization of Extracellular Vesicles Derived from Pancreatic Cancer Cells Treated with Transforming Growth Factor-Beta and Radiation Therapy
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Using CRISPR-Cas9 Genome Editing to Knock Out EPAC1/2 Proteins
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PM-123 Jason Hong
LIM Domain Binding 1 Cooperates with MYCN to Suppress MYCN Amplified Neuroblastoma Cell Proliferation
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PM-124 Yasaman Hosseini
A Portfolio Analysis of Technology Use Involving Sleep and Physical Activity in HBRB Funded Grants
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*Detecting Immunomarkers in Nf1 Mutated Mice*  
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*Spousal Concordance in Genomic Screening Beliefs and Intentions and Spousal Influence on Individuals’ Genomic Screening Intentions*  
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*Ubiquitination of MHC Class II by the E3 Ligase March-I*  
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*Targeting Hypoxia Downstream Signaling Protein, CAIX, for CAR-T Cell Therapy against Glioblastoma*  
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*Investigating the Effects of Phosphorylation Mutants of TGFb Receptor I on Cellular Responses Induced by TGFb*  
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*Using a Model of Zebrafish Melanoma to Study Brain Metastasis*  
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*Functional Validation of Bivalent Genes in MPNST Cells with Epigenetic Approaches*  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (North Carolina)  
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PM-132 Ananth Josyula  
*Cryo-EM Studies of Macromolecular Complexes*  
Gilman School (Maryland)  
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*Examining the Role of Mesothelin in Mouse Lung Adenocarcinoma Development*
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*Identification of Regulatory Genes Critical for Thymic Epithelial Cell Development*
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*Uncovering the Role of DICER1 in Liver Cancer*
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*Rapid Identification and Modification of T-Cell Receptors Recognizing Tumor Neoantigens*
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*TNF Induces GM-CSF Production through TNF Receptor 2 in CD4 T Cells*
Virginia Commonwealth University (Virginia)
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PM-138 Priya Katyal
*Genomic Landscape of Patients' Tumor Infiltrating Lymphocytes: Pre, During, and Post Selective TIL Therapy*
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*Computer Simulation of the Micro-dose Calibrator*
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*The Contribution of Transcription Factor IRF-6 to Sex-based Differences in CD4+ T-Cell Functions*
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PM-143 Zoey Kline
Chemotherapeutic Drug Screening to Target Stem Cell Induced Ras Tumors in Drosophila Kidney
Fairfield Area High School (Pennsylvania)
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PM-144 Sruthi Kodali
Analysis of Molecular Differences between Endothelium-specific CD47-Knockout and Wild Type (WT) Mice
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PM-145 Amitesh Kotwal
Functional Proteogenomic Screens in Multiple Myeloma
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PM-146 Bradley Krivit
Probing Lamin-Chromatin Interactions by Mutational Analysis in vitro
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PM-147 Benjamin Lee
Using Optical Tweezers to Map the Mechanical Properties of Cancer Cells
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PM-148 Hanbin Lee
3D Printing as a Tool to Visualize Cell Biology at the Nanoscale
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*Optimization of ChIP-seq for FFPE Samples*
Montgomery Blair High School (Maryland)
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PM-150 Christina Li
*Meta-analysis of Gene Expression Data for Metastatic Breast Cancer*
University of Michigan (Michigan)
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PM-151 Haoran Li
*Differential Effectiveness of Cancer-Targeting Drugs in 3D Culture*
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)
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PM-152 Winston Li
*Longitudinal Analysis of Renal Preservation in Patients with Hereditary Kidney Cancer*
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PM-153 Emily Liang
*Comparing Strategies of Training Deep Learning Models for Cervical Cancer Screening*
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PM-154 Leah Liebman
*Determining Difference in Growth Rate between Parental Cell Line and Vandetanib Resistant Line in Medullary Thyroid Carcinoma*
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PM-155 Zhi-Wei Lin
*Quantifying Nivolumab and Pembrolizumab Using ELISA*
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PM-156 Lauren Loebach
*Assessment of Clinical and Biomarkers of Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapy*
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PM-157 Elliot Lowe
*Functional Implications of LRRC15 in Osteosarcoma Cells*
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PM-158 Michelle Lu  
Dynamic 18F-DCFPyL PET/CT Imaging of Primary Prostate Cancer in Clinically High-risk Patients  
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PM-159 Adam Luo  
Investigating the Hsp70-ZFX Chaperone-Client Interaction in Castration-resistant Prostate Cancer  
River Hill High School (Maryland)  
Preceptors: Dr. Frank Echtenkamp, Dr. Leonard Neckers

PM-160 Matthew Lynberg  
Depletion of SCAMP3, a Mutant EGFR Target, Accelerates Tumor Proliferation and Increases EGFR-TKI Resistance in Lung Adenocarcinoma  
University of California, Santa Barbara (California)  
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PM-161 Chelsea Maccow  
Regulation of the Actin Cytoskeleton by a BAR Domain-containing Protein, ASAP1  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte (North Carolina)  
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PM-162 Sanna Madan  
Predicting Response to Immune Checkpoint Blockade Therapy with Transfer Learning  
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)  
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PM-163 Frances Angela Maher  
Investigating RNA-Platinum Binding in Cisplatin Resistant Cells  
Brandeis University (Massachusetts)  
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PM-164 Amry Majeed  
Histone Deacetylase Inhibitor Entinostat Increases PD-L1 Protein Expression in Small Cell Lung Cancer Cells  
Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University (Pennsylvania)  
Preceptors: Dr. Azam Ghafoor, Dr. Anish Thomas, Dr. Yilun Sun

PM-165 Jessica Malow  
Engineering Liver Cancer Targeted GPC3 CAR T-Cell Therapy  
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PM-166 Nicole Malow  
*The Role of CD47 in Erythroid Differentiation*  
University of California, Berkeley (California)  
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PM-167 Maraya Maynor  
*A Role Of Valosin-containing Protein (Vcp)/p97 in Repair Of Topoisomerase-mediated DNA Damage*  
Hampton University (Virginia)  
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PM-168 Kayla McDonald  
*Elucidating the Modification Status of tRNAs in Response to Environmental and Metabolic Stress*  
Spelman College (Georgia)  
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PM-169 Jason McFadden  
*Evaluation of IRF4 Gene Translocations in the Differential Diagnosis of Uncommon Hematopoietic Neoplasms*  
Dartmouth College (New Hampshire)  
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PM-170 Pedro X. Medina  
*Analyzing Polymicrobial Interactions between Pseudomonas aeruginosa and Staphylococcus aureus*  
University of Puerto Rico Arecibo (Puerto Rico)  
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PM-171 Shira Mencer  
*DNA Re-replication in Cells Overexpressing CDT1*  
Bnos Yisroel of Baltimore (Maryland)  
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PM-172 Marisa Morakis  
*Precision Medicine: Integration of DNA Methylation Profiling, FISH, DNA and RNA Sequencing into a Clinical Diagnosis*  
Bucknell University (Pennsylvania)  
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PM-173 Jake Munch  
*Elucidating the Role of Flotillin-2 on the Growth of HER2-Amplified Breast Cancer*  
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*Characterization of the Metastatic Niche in the Human Liver: Optimizing Sample Preparation for Advanced Imaging Techniques*
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PM-175 Ryan Murphy
*Does Adrenal Venous Sampling Predict a Resolution of Hypertension after Adrenalectomy for Primary Hyperaldosteronism?*
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PM-176 Veda Nagubandi, Sravani Buddhavarapu, Arnav Sinha
*Ionizing Radiation (X-Rays) Induces Senescence in Cancer Cells*
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PM-177 Elyse Nguyen
*Analysis of the Role of Aminoacyl tRNA Synthetase Genes in Global Protein Synthesis and mRNA Specific Regulation of Translation in Cancer Cells*
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PM-178 Jessica Nguyen
*Re-programming of Fibroblast into Multipotent Stem Cells Using CD47 Antagonists*
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PM-179 Emmanuel Nyong
*Determining the Intracellular Location of Zirconium-89 after Labeling with Zirconium-89 Oxine Cell Tracking Agent for Positron Emission Tomography.*
University of Texas at San Antonio (Texas)
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PM-180 Deborah Ofosu
*A Screen of SCLC Cell Lines for a Drug Combinatory Treatment*
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PM-181 Daniel Oh
*Characterization of Kaposi’s Sarcoma Herpesvirus and Human Circular RNAs during Infection*
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PM-182 Christian Okafor
The Effects of MDR1 Inhibitors on the Growth Rate of Medullary Thyroid Cells in Combination with Vandetanib
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Preceptors: Dr. John Glod, Ms. Sophia Khan, Dr. Alex Pemov

PM-183 Qusay Omran
Identification of Small Molecules Targeting G-quadruplexes in the mTOR and n-MYC Promoter Regions
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Preceptors: Dr. Mo Yang, Dr. John Schneekloth

PM-184 Samrat Pathak
Studying Interaction of Arf1 GTPase with Arf GTPase Activating Protein ASAP1
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PM-185 Batsheva Paul
Evaluating Therapeutic Agents for Hereditary Leiomyomatosis and Renal Cell Cancer-associated Renal Cell Carcinoma
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PM-186 Havisha Pedamallu
Exploring the Non-canonical Function of Programmed Death-Ligand 1 (PD-L1) in Lung Cancer
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PM-187 Rahul Pemmaraju
Analysis of Amplification Patterns in Fusion-positive Rhabdomyosarcoma
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PM-188 Isabel Perera
Differentiation of the Optic Cup Organoid in Humans and Mice by TEM Imaging
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Novel Regulators of General Stress Responses in Escherichia coli
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PM-190 Kyleigh Petersen
*Investigating the Importance of PHB in T-cell Survival and Differentiation*
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PM-191 Annie Pierce
*Transition Readiness of Adolescents and Young Adults with Neurofibromatosis Type 1*
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PM-192 Karthik Pittala
*The Functional Role of microRNA-497 in Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma (MPM)*
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PM-193 Madison Plaster
*Identification of Potent Reactive Oxygen Species-generating Enzymes from Marine Aqueous Extracts*
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PM-194 Anjali Poe
*The Medical Implications of Continued Tobacco Use after Cancer Diagnosis: An Audiocast for SRNT-U*
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PM-195 Christopher Pondoc
*Detection of Centers of Mitosis with the U-Net Architecture*
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PM-196 Hannah Prensky
*RNA/DNA Hybrid Constructs Targeting Anti-apoptotic Pathways in Epithelial-derived Solid Tumor Carcinomas*
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PM-197 Gabrielle Puller
*Identifying DnaJ Residues Involved in Substrate Binding and Specificity*
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia)
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PM-198 Avigayil Rabinowitz
Adeno-associated Viral Gene Therapy to Treat a Mouse Model of Methylmalonic Acidemia
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Preceptors: Dr. Jessica Schneller, Dr. Daniel Edelman

PM-199 Apurva Raghu
Defining Liver Zonation by Organelle Distribution
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)
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PM-200 Rashika Rahman
Database Management for Virtual Tissue Repository in SEER program
Northwest High School (Maryland)
Preceptors: Dr. Alison Van Dyke, Dr. Yao Yuan

PM-201 Kristin Recker
Assessing the Effects of Microbiota-derived Metabolites on Tumor Growth
University of Florida (Florida)
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PM-202 Lawrence Redmond
Identifying Distinct Malaria Complications, Including Endemic Burkitt Lymphoma, Using Malaria Symptoms and Biomarkers
Emory University (Georgia)
Preceptors: Dr. Sam Mbulaiteye, Dr. Sally Peprah, Dr. Barry Graubard

PM-203 Marisa Reynolds
Establishing and Characterizing a Mouse Prostate Cancer Bone Metastasis Model with Lucap 136 PDX
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine (Michigan)
Preceptors: Dr. Juan Yin, Dr. Kathleen Kelly

PM-204 Nyree Riley
Glutamine Metabolism Is a New Therapeutic Target in Thyroid Cancer
University of Georgia (Georgia)
Preceptors: Dr. Myriem Boufraqech, Dr. Naris Nilubol

PM-205 Howard Rong
The Hop1 Protein Influences Meiotic Recombination
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)
Preceptors: Dr. Michael Lichten, Dr. Anura Shodhan
PM-206 Rachel Rutstein
‘Can I Live Without My Stomach?: Case Reports of Prophylactic Total Gastrectomy in Families with Hereditary Gastric Cancer Syndromes
Touro College for Women (Non-U.S.)
Preceptors: Dr. Kathleen Calzone, Mrs. Grace-Ann Fasaye, Dr. Jeremy Davis

PM-207 Sahil Sahni
Transcriptomic Analysis of Mesenchymal Stem Cells Undergoing Osteoblastic Differentiation
McGill University (Non-U.S.)
Preceptors: Dr. Paul Meltzer, Dr. Jack Zhu, Dr. Yonghong Wang

PM-208 Pamela Sanchez
Dietary Intake and Biliary Tract Cancer Risk in the U.S. 2003-2006
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PM-209 Dana Schaar
Second Malignancies in Patients with Chronic Graft-Versus-Host Disease
Georgetown University (District of Columbia)
Preceptor: Dr. Steven Pavletic

PM-210 Aviva Schwartz
The Effect of LKB1 Knockout on Tight Junction and Mitochondria Morphology in Mouse Hepatocytes.
Yeshiva University (New York)
Preceptors: Ms. Megan Stefkovitch, Dr. Suehelay Acevedo-Acevedo, Dr. Natalie Porat-Shliom

PM-211 Matthew Seebald
DDB2 Knockdown Induces Radiation Resistance in GBM Cells
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Preceptors: Dr. Julianna DeSousa, Dr. Kevin Camphausen

PM-212 Christopher Sesi
Systematic Analysis of CD19 CAR T-cell Related Neurotoxicity in Children and Young Adults with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
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PM-213 Pal Shah
Global Tobacco Cessation Practices in the Context of Cancer Treatment
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PM-214 Shruti Shah  
*Identification of HIV-2 Vif-CBFbeta Interaction Determinants*  
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Preceptors: Dr. Krista Delviks-Frankenberry, Dr. Vinay Pathak

PM-215 Aleena Shahab  
*Effects of Methotrexate on Cytokine Production by Macrophages in the Context of Murine Autoimmunity*  
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PM-216 Ahjeetha Shankar  
*Establishment of Patient-derived Mesothelial Cell Lines*  
Brown University (Rhode Island)  
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PM-217 Aman Shankardass  
*Non-coding RNAs as Biomarkers for Radiation Biodosimetry*  
Case Western Reserve University (Ohio)  
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PM-218 Arnav Sinha, Sravani Buddhavarapu, Veda Nagubandi  
*Imaging Assessment of Physiological Changes in Tumors after Treatment with Hypoxia Activated Prodrug*  
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*Electron Microscopy Analyzes Macrophages in Mouse Lung Tissue*  
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*Pediatric Chordoma: Findings of the First NIH Inaugural Chordoma Clinic*  
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PM-221 Julianna Solomon  
*Motor Function of Children with Neurofibromatosis Type 1 on a Natural History Study*  
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PM-222 Rashna Soonavala
*When Cancer Patient Experiences and Health Plan Quality Indicators Are Misaligned: A Review of the "Getting Care Quickly" CAHPS® Quality Measure and Emergency Department Use*
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PM-223 Nadav Sprague
*Evaluation of an Environmental and Health Education Program for Minority Youth*
Washington University in St. Louis (Missouri)
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PM-224 Neya Sterling
*The Utility of Paired 68Ga-DOTATATE PET/CT or NM Octreoscan and 18FDG PET/CT for Predicting Malignant Potential of Neuroendocrine Tumors in Patients with MEN1*
Northeast Ohio Medical University (Ohio)
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PM-225 Ian Stukes
*Characterization of Zebrafish Homologs of the Human ABCG2 Gene and Localization to the Blood-Brain Barrier*
University of Wisconsin-Madison (Wisconsin)
Preceptors: Dr. Michael Gottesman, Dr. Robert Robey, Ms. Andrea Robinson

PM-226 Emily Styslinger
*Role of Human P-glycoprotein in Chemoresistance*
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PM-227 Amanda Sugrue
*Targeting Metabolism as a Potential Therapeutic Strategy in Kidney Cancer*
Heidelberg University (Ohio)
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PM-228 William Sullivan
*Effect of Mesothelin Expression on the Adherence of Pancreatic Cancer Cells to Peritoneal Membrane*
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PM-229 Abigail Svoysky
*What Controls the Unusual Torsional State of Telomeres?*
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*Structural and Kinetic Characterization of Desb, an N-Hydroxylase in Desferrioxamine B Biosynthesis*  
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PM-231 Abhirami Thaivalappil  
*Medicinal Plant Extracts as Modulators of Multidrug Transporters*  
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Preceptors: Dr. Biebele Abel, Dr. Megumi Murakami, Dr. Suresh Ambudkar

PM-232 Michael Timmer  
*Evaluating Patient Reported Cognitive Symptoms in Participants of the NOB Natural History Study*  
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PM-233 Alexandra Toscano  
*Prospective Simulated Artificial Intelligence Workflow Improves Report Value in Clinical Trials while Saving Radiologists’ Time*  
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)  
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PM-234 Timmy Tran  
*Gene Enhancers in Pleural Mesothelioma*  
Virginia Commonwealth University (Virginia)  
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PM-235 Tashinga Tsokodayi  
*Epigenetic Activation of Immune Genes in Small Cell Lung Cancer Using Histone Deacetylase Inhibitor*  
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Preceptors: Dr. Azam Ghafoor, Dr. Weixin Wang, Dr. Katherine Calvo

PM-236 Arielle Tycko  
*Using Genetically-engineered Myeloid Cells (GEMys) in Combination with Other Cancer Therapies Hinders Tumor Growth and Metastasis*  
Walt Whitman High School (Maryland)  
Preceptors: Dr. Daniel Beury, Dr. Sabina Kaczanowska, Dr. Rosandra Kaplan

PM-237 Shreya Vinjamuri  
*GRP56 Regulates T-cell Differentiation*  
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (Virginia)
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**PM-238 Saniya Wadhwa**  
*Identification of RNA Binding Proteins That Direct RNA Localization*  
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**PM-239 Jack Walker**  
*Databasing the Frederick National Lab Partnership Development Office Contacts*  
Urbana High School (Maryland)  
Preceptors: Dr. Maggie Scully, Dr. Vladimir Popov, Ms. Victoria Brun

**PM-240 Katharine Walker-Bawa**  
*Alternative Fixation Techniques for Enhanced Histology and Biomolecular Preservation*  
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**PM-241 Alexandra Webster**  
*Making and Testing an Immunotoxin That Kills Myeloma Cells*  
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*Visualizing Heterotypic Cellular Interactions in Thick Tissues Using Expansion Microscopy*  
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**PM-243 Aliza Weiss**  
*Current Landscape of Eribulin in Advanced Soft Tissue Sarcoma: A Systematic Review.*  
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**PM-244 Lily Widdup**  
*Assessing APOL1 Risk Allele Status in Nigerians*  
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**PM-245 Haley Wilt**  
*Structural Analysis of the FMN Riboswitch Aptamer Domain in the Absence of Ligand*  
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**PM-246 Abigail Wittenberg, Camryn Isemann, Isra Tariq**  
*Cationic Lipids and RNAi Therapeutics: Effects of PEGylation on Gene Downregulation*
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PM-247 Fem Woodruff
*Development of a Screening Protocol to Generate Reactive Species for Photo-crosslinking Applications*
Cornell University (New York)
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PM-248 Jennifer Xue
*Comparison of Various Osmium Tetroxide-based Staining Techniques and Comparison of Computational Modeling Methods for Characterizing Viral Nanoparticles*
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PM-249 Bennett Yang
*Role of Thyroid Hormone in THP-1 Monocyte to Macrophage Differentiation*
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PM-250 Lila Yang
*Characterization of CAR T-Cell Therapy-related Cytopenias in Children and Young Adults with ALL*
New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine (New York)
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PM-251 Avanish Yendluri
*Characterizing Antiproliferative Activities of GSTP1 Inhibitors on Thymoma and Thymic Carcinoma Tumor Cell Lines*
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Preceptors: Dr. Udayan Guha, Dr. Xu Zhang, Mr. Khoa Nguyen

PM-252 Ornela Yossa Nganpe
*High-Throughput Drug Screen Identifies a Drug Combination Which Specifically Targets CDK1/2/5/9 and HDAC1/3*
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Preceptors: Dr. Beverly Mock, Dr. Tyler Peat, Ms. Nana Gyabaah-Kessie

PM-253 Joshua Yudkin
*The Impact of the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) on Colorectal Cancer Screening: A Systematic Literature Review*
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Preceptor: Dr. Paul Doria-Rose
PM-254 Amy X. Zhang
*Biologically-informed Bayesian Modeling of Cancer Cell Line Drug Sensitivity*
Pennsylvania State University (Pennsylvania)
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PM-255 Amy Zhang
*Tuning of NK-specific HLA-C Expression by Alternative mRNA splicing*
University of California, Berkeley (California)
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PM-256 Isaac Zhao
*Integrative Analysis on Environmental Exposures and Tumor Biology Using Epigenetic Biomarkers*
Brown University (Rhode Island)
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PM-257 Richard Zhu
*Inhibition of Adult T-Cell Lymphoma with CDK 4/6 Inhibitors*
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PM-258 Omar Ahmed
*Identifying Clonal Hematopoiesis of Indeterminate Potential in Patients with Severe Aplastic Anemia*
Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia)
Preceptors: Dr. Shahinaz Gadalla, Dr. Bari Ballew

PM-259 Marie Brodsky
*Participant-facing Risk Modeling for Cancer Precision Prevention*
Montgomery Blair High School (Maryland)
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PM-260 Kelly Butler
*Evaluating Viral Etiology of Bladder Cancer through Analysis of Mutations in FGFR3*
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PM-261 Logan Cho
*Chronotype, Sleep, and Meal Timing: Findings from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES), 2015-2016*
Brown University (Rhode Island)
Preceptors: Dr. Neil Caporaso, Dr. Barry Graubard

PM-262 Laura De Ravin
*Gene Therapy of Adenosine Deaminase 2 in Human CD34+ Cells Using CRISPR-Cas9 Technology*
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)
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PM-263 Courtney Dill
*Uncovering the Dark Matter of Pancreatic Cancer by Assessing Non-coding Regulatory Variations*
Morehouse School of Medicine (Georgia)
Preceptors: Dr. Laufey Amundadottir, Dr. Jun Zhong

PM-264 Brenna Douthitt
*Germline Genetic Variation in Three Multiplex Bladder Cancer Pedigrees*
Vassar College (New York)
Preceptors: Dr. Alex Pemov, Dr. Douglas Stewart

PM-265 Catherine Du
*Mutational Signature Portal (mSigPortal)*
Carnegie Mellon University (Pennsylvania)
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PM-266 Naomi Eluojierior
*Monthly Trends during 2012 in Occupational Dose for Medical Staff Performing/Assisting with FGIPs in the United States*
Prince George’s Community College (Maryland)
Preceptor: Dr. David Borrego

PM-267 Michelle Fang
*The Role of IFNL4 Genotype in Hepatic Inflammation and Fibrosis Due to Chronic Hepatitis C*
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Preceptors: Dr. Sarah Jackson, Dr. Thomas O’Brien

PM-268 James Karabin
*A Comparative Analysis of Deaths Due to External Causes of Mortality in OECD Member Countries, 2001-2015*
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PM-269 Delma Mbulaiteye
Identification of Functional Germline Variants in the Bladder Cancer Associated GWAS Locus at 20p12.2
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PM-270 Alison Nichols
Prophylactic Mastectomies in Women with Li Fraumeni Syndrome
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PM-271 Anastasia Polkovnichenko
Racial Patterns in Colorectal Cancer Incidence: A Non-parametric Assessment
University of Virginia (Virginia)
Preceptors: Dr. Philip Rosenberg, Dr. Brittny Davis

PM-272 Megan Powell
Application of Digital Pathology for Comparative Studies of Tumor Immune Infiltration in Different Populations
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Preceptors: Dr. Montserrat García-Closas, Dr. Mustapha Abubakar, Dr. Thomas Ahearn

PM-273 Tim Ring
Using CRISPR-dCas9-DNMT3A to Explore the Role of IFNL4 in Epigenetic Reprogramming in Cancer Cells
Georgetown University (District of Columbia)
Preceptors: Dr. Olusegun Onabajo, Dr. Ludmila Prokunina-Olsson

PM-274 Emily Riseberg
Associations between Blood DNA Methylation and Estrogen Metabolism
Tufts University (Massachusetts)
Preceptors: Dr. Gretchen Gierach, Dr. Clara Bodelon

PM-275 Emily Spangler
Exposure to Particulate Matter Air Pollution and Risk of Gastrointestinal Cancers: A Systematic Review
Roanoke College (Virginia)
Preceptors: Ms. Natalie Pritchett, Dr. Sanford Dawsey, Dr. Rena Jones, Ms. Alicia Livinski

PM-276 Maya Spaur
Exposure Assessment of Drinking Water Contaminants among Agricultural Health Study Participants
Johns Hopkins University (Maryland)
Preceptor: Dr. Mary Ward

**PM-277 Victor Tran**  
*Functional Analysis of Putative Splice Variants in Dyskeratosis Congenita Patients via Exon Trapping*  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia)  
Preceptors: Dr. Seth Brodie, Mr. Joseph Boland, Dr. Sharon Savage

**PM-278 Sarah Van Alsten**  
*The Association between Metabolic Syndrome and Inflammation: A Cross-sectional Analysis of 110 Circulating Biomarkers*  
Washington University in St. Louis (Missouri)  
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**PM-279 Emily Wu**  
*Multiple Imputation by Chained Equations with Applications to the Agricultural Health Study*  
University of Richmond (Virginia)  
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**PM-280 Corey Young**  
*Potential Health Disparities in Eligibility for Lung Cancer Screening*  
Morehouse School of Medicine (Georgia)  
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**PM-281 Alia Alhomsi**  
*Correlates of Self-efficacy for Coping with Breast Cancer Treatment among Low-acculturated Latinas*  
George Mason University (Virginia)  
Preceptor: Dr. Anna Nápoles

**PM-282 Kathleen Dang**  
*Trends in Youth Exposure to Tobacco and E-cigarette Advertising: Variations by Social Determinants and Tobacco Use*  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (North Carolina)  
Preceptor: Dr. Kelvin Choi

**PM-283 Azure Erskine**  
*Evidence-based Assessment of Barriers to Breast Cancer Screening among African American Women*  
Howard University (District of Columbia)  
Preceptors: Dr. Faustine Williams, Ms. Bonita Salmeron, Ms. Patricia Timothee
PM-284 Thomas Freitag
Substance Use and Abuse Among Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Racial and Ethnic Minorities Experiencing Sexual Orientation Discrimination
University of Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania)
Preceptors: Dr. Julia Chen-Sankey, Dr. Kelvin Choi, Mrs. Danielle Duarte

PM-285 Leah Orozco
Young Adult Smokers’ Recall of Smoking Cessation Campaigns and Subsequent Cessation: Variation by Race and Ethnicity
College of the Holy Cross (Massachusetts)
Preceptor: Dr. Kelvin Choi

PM-286 Maria Reyes
Associations of Emotional Support and Cultural Factors with Benefit Finding among Spanish Speaking Latina Breast Cancer Survivors
California State University, Monterey Bay (California)
Preceptors: Dr. Anna Napoles, Mr. Cristian Escalera

PM-287 Taylor Robinson
SmokeFreeBody: An Examination of Smoking Cessation Behavioral Change Techniques (BCTs) on Twitter
University of Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania)
Preceptors: Ms. Charmaine Chan, Dr. Kristyn Kamke, Dr. Sherine El-Toukhy

PM-288 Angela Wang
Time to “Digitally” Listen: Characteristics of Smoking Cessation Tweets
Duke University (North Carolina)
Preceptors: Dr. Sherine El-Toukhy, Ms. Charmaine Chan

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PM-289 Nana Adjoa Mensah Afful
Differentiating Human Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells into Myoblasts: A Fast-track Approach
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)
Preceptors: Dr. Lawal Tokunbor, Dr. Katy Meilleur

PM-290 Erica Holland
The Effects of Probiotics on the Microbiome and Health of Healthy Children
Fort Valley State University (Georgia)
Preceptors: Ms. Alexis Franks, Dr. Paule Joseph
PM-291 Natalia Iannarino
*Biological Mediators of Fat-taste: Implications for Obesity*
University of Dayton (Ohio)
Preceptors: Dr. Rosario Jaime-Lara, Dr. Paule Joseph

PM-292 Amanda Jiang
*The Effects of Mindfulness-based Interventions on Military Service Members with Trauma-related Symptoms*
Smith College (Massachusetts)
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PM-293 Devin Ohlson
*Development of Virtual Reality Environments for experimentation and Training in Health Care*
Case Western Reserve University (Ohio)
Preceptors: Dr. Patti Brennan, Mr. William Kistler, Dr. John Ostuni

PM-294 Kevin Shaffman
*Exosomes as Diagnostic and Prognostic Biomarkers in Traumatic Brain Injuries*
Monterey Peninsula College (California)
Preceptors: Dr. Vivian Guedes, Mr. Jordan Peyer, Dr. Jessica Gill

PM-295 Vincent Sinfuego
*Can Virtual Avatars Enhance Presence in Virtual Reality Enough to Influence Health-related Behavior?*
Duke University (North Carolina)
Preceptors: Dr. Patti Brennan, Dr. John Ostuni, Mr. William Kistler

PM-296 Emma Walter
*Validation of Electrolyte Reference Standard for Sweat Patch Biomarker Testing*
University of Maryland, College Park (Maryland)
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PM2-157 Joachim Ambaw
*My Summer Experience in HiSTEP at NIH*
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PM2-158 Aiden Benyarku
*My Summer Experience in HiSTEP at NIH*
Eleanor Roosevelt High School (Maryland)
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