

| AGENDA – NIH National Graduate Student Research Conference |

Sunday, October 16, 2011: *Hyatt Regency Bethesda*

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| 3:00 – 9:00 PM | Check In and Registration |
| 5:15 – 5:30 PM | Welcome and Opening Remarks
Jackie A. Lavigne, PhD, MPH, Co-Chair, NGSRC Organizing
Committee |
| 5:30 – 6:15 PM | NIH 101
What is the NIH, how is it organized, and how does it work?
Sharon L. Milgram, PhD, Director, NIH Office of Intramural
Training & Education |
| 6:15 – 9:00 PM | DineArounds* (organized by the NIH Fellows Committee) |

Monday, October 17, 2011: Natcher Conference Center, Bethesda

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| 7:30 – 8:00 AM | Registration
<i>Outer Lobby</i> |
| 8:00 – 9:00 AM | Light Refreshments with the NIH Institute/Center Training
Directors
<i>Lower Level Lobby</i> |
| 9:00 – 9:45 AM | Concurrent Scientific Sessions (presenters are senior
postdoctoral fellows)

<u>Session I</u>
<i>Balcony A</i>
Transitions in Chromatin Structure Require Multiple
Chromatin Remodeling Systems
Stephanie A. Morris, PhD
National Cancer Institute |

Study of the Gut Microbiome: From Translational Research to
Evaluation of Cancer Risk
Roberto Flores, PhD, MPH
National Cancer Institute

Session II
Balcony B

Interactions between SPATE Family Proteins and Mammalian
Cells

Matt Wenham, DPhil
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney
Diseases

RecQ Helicases in DNA Repair
Marie Rossi, PhD
National Institute on Aging

9:45 – 10:00 AM

Morning Break

10:00 – 11:30 AM

Poster Session I – *Upper Level Atrium*; details to be provided

11:30 – 12:30 PM

**Lunch with NIH Postdoctoral Fellows and NIH
Investigators**
Lower Level Lobby

Participants will have an opportunity to interact with current
NIH trainees and investigators.

12:30 – 2:00 PM

Poster Session II – *Upper Level Atrium*; details to be
provided

2:00 – 3:00 PM

Career Workshop I: Advancing Your Career at the NIH
Lower Level, Room E1/E2

Lori M. Conlan, PhD
Director, Office of Postdoctoral Services, OITE

3:00- 3:15 PM

Afternoon Break

3:15 – 4:00 PM**

Keynote Scientific Presentation
Lower Level, Room E1/E2

How to Build a Dog: Genetics of Complex Traits in the Canine
Elaine A. Ostrander, PhD
National Human Genome Research Institute

4:00 – 5:00 PM

Career Workshop II
Lower Level, Room E1/E2

NIH Postdoctoral Fellows who recently transitioned to a variety of scientific jobs, including tenure-track academic positions and positions as science policy analysts, will share advice on critical job search skills, their own job searches, and their current positions.

Bobbie Ann Austin, PhD
Assistant Director, Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology

Sydella Blatch, PhD
Assistant Professor, Department of Biology, Stevenson University

Sandeep Dayal, PhD
Science Policy Analyst, Office of Science Policy Analysis
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, NIH

Britta Hahn, PhD
Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry
University of Maryland School of Medicine

Orlando Lopez, PhD
Commissioner's Fellow, Food and Drug Administration

Marci Scidmore, PhD
Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology
Cornell University

5:00 – 5:30 PM**

**Closing Remarks, Festival Evaluation, Raffle
*Lower Level, E1/E2***

Dr. Michael M. Gottesman, MD
Deputy Director for Intramural Research, NIH

6:00 PM

FelCom Networking Event; Dinner on Your Own

Tuesday: Bethesda and other Campuses

Breakfast on Your Own

Meetings with NIH scientists

*Reservations will be made for groups of 10 at a selection of Bethesda restaurants. Festival participants can sign up to “dine” at the restaurant that interests them most. Each group will be “hosted” by a current NIH postdoc. Diners will cover the cost of their own dinners.

**Event will be held jointly with *Resident Research Career Day at the NIH*.