**UNC BCBP Weekly 3/15-3/19/2021 news and events**

BCBP ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Send your Feedback on our faculty candidates by Tuesday evening 3/16.**

See your inbox from Carolyn Clabo: “Feedback BCBP faculty candidates - All 5 links for feedback.”

**Don’t forget to Register for our Retreat!**

**March 26th 2021 BCBP Research Retreat**

Registration is free. Register here: <https://apps.research.unc.edu/events/index.cfm?event=events.eventDetails&event_key=350CC7F5080A71E8AD7D9E9E83D5558B1FEBA1DB>

**Reminder for Trainees Presenting at our 2021 BCBP Research Retreat:**

Posters and Presentations should be upload soon. Thank you for your participation.

See email from Brian Button.

**Seeking faculty judges for the 2021 BCBP Research Retreat on Friday March 26th.**

Please respond to Carolyn Clabo’s email.

News

**Carolina Grad Student F1RSTS Featured Scholar – Thanh Phan**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/carolina-grad-student-f1rsts-featured-scholar-thanh-phan/>

**Amiee Littlejohn and Juanita Limas on cover of the UNC’s feature for Women’s History Month**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/amiee-littlejohn-and-juanita-limas-on-cover-of-the-uncs-feature-for-womens-history-month/>

**Video: Celebrating Our COVID-19 Researchers at the UNC School of Medicine**

**Gaorav Gupta & Ron Swanstrom** are among those mentioned in this tribute video.

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/celebrating-our-covid-19-researchers-at-the-unc-school-of-medicine/>

**Virtual Campus Tours, Explore Carolina: Take a Sense of Place Tour**

Do you know someone who is interested in joining UNC? Virtual Tours March 11-31!

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/virtual-campus-tours-explore-carolina-take-a-sense-of-place-tour/>

**Supporting the Asian American community**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/supporting-the-asian-american-community/>

UNC Commencement News

**A celebration for the UNC class of 2020** — whose Commencement was diminished by the COVID-19 pandemic is scheduled for October 9-10.

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/a-celebration-for-the-unc-class-of-2020-whose-commencement-was-diminished-by-the-covid-19-pandemic-is-scheduled-for-october-9-10/>

**Spring 2021 Commencement update**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/spring-commencement-update/>

**COVID-19 Researchers Fauci and Corbett to Address New UNC Grads**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/news/covid-19-researchers-fauci-and-corbett-to-address-new-unc-grads/>

BCBP EVENTS

3/16 11 am

**BCBP SEMINAR: JOHN TESMER, PHD Purdue University**

Host: Sharon Campbell

Seminar title “Molecular mechanisms of activation in PIP3-dependent Rac exchanger 1, a chemotactic and metastatic RhoGEF”

See Holly Shepherd’s email for zoom details.

Complete Spring seminar schedule:

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/bcbp-seminar/2021-03-16/>

3/17 10:30 – 11:30am

**St. Patrick’s Bagel Breakfast**

Fill out form. See email from Amelia McCue & Gage Leighton for more details.

3/18 11 am

**Student Thesis Defense: Juan Carvajal García** (GMB student in Ramsden/Selelsky labs)

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/student-thesis-defense-juan-carvajal-garcia-ramsden-selelsky/>

3/18 & 4/15 12-1 PM

**BCBP Student Seminars** (by BCBP students for students)

& Student Seminar Awards on 4/15 12:40-1 PM (by students for students)

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/bcbp-student-seminar-series-by-students-for-students-only/2021-03-18/>

3/26 9:15 am - 5:00 pm

**2021 Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics Research Retreat**

The Biochemistry and Biophysics Department will hold its 2021 research retreat VIRTUALLY on March 26, 2021.

The 2021 retreat will have a keynote presentation, short talks from graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and research associates selected from abstract submissions as well as two poster sessions. Cash Prizes ($100 each) will be given for top oral, poster, and people's choice presentations!

Schedule of events, Call for abstracts - visit this link:

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/2021-annual-biochemistry-and-biophysics-research-retreat/>

Registration is free. Register here: <https://apps.research.unc.edu/events/index.cfm?event=events.eventDetails&event_key=350CC7F5080A71E8AD7D9E9E83D5558B1FEBA1DB>

4/2 1 pm

**Student Thesis Defense: Benjamin S. Roberts** (Neher lab)

“The Regulated Trafficking of Lipoprotein Lipase in the Secretory Pathway”

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/student-thesis-defense-benjamin-s-roberts-neher-lab/>

4/5 3:30 pm

**Student Thesis Defense: Megan Justice** (GMB student in Dowen lab)

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/student-thesis-defense-megan-justice-dowen-lab/>

4/28-4/30 1-5 p.m. each day

**44th UNC Lineberger Scientific Symposium** **“The Yin-Yang of Immunity in Cancer”** Organizers: Jenny Ting, PhD, Lishan Su, PhD, and Albert S. Baldwin, PhD.

Event Information: This year’s symposium will be held virtually April 28-30, 2021 from 1-5 p.m. each day. The symposium is free but please register to attend.

The 2021 Scientific Symposium topic will be **Cancer Immunology** and will feature many of the same speakers that were scheduled for the 2020 event, which was canceled due to the pandemic. The symposium is free but please register to attend. Registration is now open. More information & registration link:

<https://unclineberger.org/symposium/>

WELLNESS EVENTS

FOR STUDENTS

**Virtual Wellness Circles for graduate students Spring 2021**

10:00 am - 11:00 am

3/16 Fostering Resilience by Activating the Relaxation Response Through Vagus Nerve Stimulation

3/30 Fostering Resilience Through the Gut-Brain Connection

4/06 Fostering Resilience Through Self Holding

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/virtual-wellness-circles-for-graduate-students-spring-2021/2021-03-16/>

DEI EVENTS

3/15 4-5 PM

**IME: Virtual Black Grad Collective**

Virtual Black Grad Collective- a chance for Black graduate and professional students to engage with leadership on issues important to us.

A candid conversation with The Graduate School’s Suzanne Barbour, Dean & Kate McAnulty, Associate Dean for Student Affairs.

We’ll discuss the report and determine the most feasible path forward together. <https://apps.research.unc.edu/events/index.cfm?event=events.eventDetails&event_key=91083E5E70758349D9ED88436D9961F72C85FC21>

also

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/black-graduate-students-ime-virtual-black-grad-collective/>

**UNC Asian American Center EVENTS**

3/15 5 PM

UNC Asian American Center Open House

3/31 7 PM

Asian Americans and the Movements for Black Lives with Dr. Nitasha Sharma

For these and additional events visit this website: <https://aac.unc.edu/category/upcoming-events/>

3/17 12-1pm

**Achieving Equity in Women’s Health Across the Lifespan**

Join the Association of Professional Women in Medical Sciences on March 17, 2021 from 12-1pm as Dr. Genevieve Neal-Perry, Chair of @UNCOBGYN, presents ‘Achieving Equity in Women’s Health Across the Lifespan’.

Sponsor: UNC SOM Office of Faculty Affairs’ & Leadership Development

For more information: <https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/womens-health-equity/>

March 15-24

**Black Communities Conference 2021**

A vibrant, virtual gathering featuring roundtable discussions, collaborative sessions, films, book talks, and more. Our core mission is to foster collaboration among Black communities and universities for the purpose of enhancing Black community life and furthering the understanding of Black communities.

One event is: March 22 10 AM - #BlackCom2021's roundtable "Beyond the Lawn Signs and Statements" is just for you.

Full Schedule <https://blackcommunities.unc.edu/2021/index.php/agenda/>

Event price Registrant Specific $15 or $50 (discounted price or standard price. Accepts cc# or UNC account)

Register here <https://apps.research.unc.edu/events/index.cfm?event=events.eventDetails&event_key=9F1F8B3372ABCC105314F33FD37E7D92658EF398>

APRIL 2021 DEI EVENTS

April 2, 2021 1 - 2pm

**Student Thesis Defense: Benjamin S. Roberts (Neher lab)**

4/14 5:00 pm - 9: 00 pm

**Standard Safe Zone Training**

The Standard Safe Zone is a four-hour training is designed to introduce concepts, terminology and resources related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. There is a short intermission about half way through.

(Register before 4/12)

More information: https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/standard-safe-zone-training-2/2021-03-12/

Registration link: <https://apps.research.unc.edu/events/index.cfm?event=events.eventDetails&event_key=0CB2753832420C1E22EEE19280AC1FD1115E1EE5>

4/19 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

**Health Care Safe Zone Training**

Health Care Safe Zone is a four-hour alternative to Standard Safe Zone that similarly introduces concepts, terminology and resources related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. The curriculum also covers LGBTQ health disparities, health resources, and common health professional scenarios, along with a terminology primer and strategies for allyship.

(Register before 4/17) More information: <https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/event/health-care-safe-zone-training-2/2021-03-09/>

Registration link: <https://apps.research.unc.edu/events/index.cfm?event=events.eventDetails&event_key=2C059C40F33D61A000AC1C851B10748529A2B568>

**A New Approach to Anti-Racism in Medical Education** facilitated by Sarah Holdren & Yoshiko Iwai (a 4 session curriculum)

4/09 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

4/16 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

4/23 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

4/30 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

UNC - Academy of Educators webinar

More information <https://www.med.unc.edu/aoe/event/a-new-approach-to-anti-racism-in-medical-education/2021-04-09/>

To register for all 5 sessions <https://unc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bxwANMnMGKNqwDk>

All of this information is on the website.

Please bookmark these pages for future reference:

**NEWS**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/tag/News_2021/>

**EVENTS**

<https://www.med.unc.edu/biochem/schedule-of-dept-events/>

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