

Weekly Research Newsletter December 4, 2017





Congratulations to Hira Cheema, MD, PGY-III, of the Department of Internal Medicine and co-author Ashutosh Gupta, MD on having their paper, "Levonorgestrel-Releasing Intrauterine Device-Related Acute Liver Injury" in the journal Case Reports in Gastroenterology.

2018 Research Forum

ABSTRACTS SUBMISSION IS OPEN

Abstract submission for the 2018 Permian Basin Research Forum is now open!

Abstracts will be accepted until January 31, 2018

The 2018 Permian Basin Research Forum will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2018. Please send your abstracts to Melissa.waggoner@ttuhsc.edu.

Abstracts have already been received from:

Elisa Parra, MS III;

John Myers, MS III;

Brady Miller MS III:

oel Dennison MS II

Jessica Shriver MS III

From the Department of Research TTUHSC at the PB

Available online

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TTUHSC at the Permian Basin

for the academic year 2016-2017 is available online

http://www.ttuhsc.edu/odessa/research/documents/PBResearchBooklet.pdf.

December 1st was International AIDS Day

Each year since 1988 this international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection and mourning those who have died of the disease.



"Role of estrogen in the modulation of innate anti-HIV cellular factors in the cervical mucosa"

is a project of Dr. Ruth Serra-Moreno

Dr. Serra-Moreno is an assistant professor at Texas Tech University and a member of the center of excellence of tropical diseases. Her research interests include understanding the mechanisms by which HIV, and its close relative SIV circumvent the barriers of the innate immunity in their respective hosts.

Dr. Serra-Moreno works with Ob/Gyn faculty Dr. Elisa Brown and Dr. Joy Anderson





Monthly Clinical Research Workshop

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Discuss and develop your own research ideas followed by presentation

TTU and TTUHSC Participation in the Dallas-Fort Worth Federal Stati

Guest presenters:

Alyee Ashcraft, PhD, RN, Associate Dean of Research, School of Nursing, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

& Kathleen Harris, EdD, Senior Associate Vice President for Research at Texas Tech University

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 4:00pm Lubbock 1C110A; Amarillo HSC 4713 Dallas SPVA 109A & SPSW 433 Odessa 2C41, Endo Clinic 21101 and Midland TTPM 210B

	Refreshments provided to the first 25 attendees on the Lubbock Campus. RSVP to Josie Martinez by December 5, 2017 by 5:00pm			
	Please click here to view the workshop flyer.			
NIH National Institutes of Health	NIH to researchers: Don't publish in bad journals, please			
	Retraction Watch: What prompted the NIH to issue this guide notice? Was there an incident? NIH: NIH continually seeks ways to improve the quality, significance, and impact of funded research. Several recent articles have raised concerns about the practices of some journals and publishers, and we became aware that NIH research is sometimes published in journals that do not adhere to established best practices. RW: The guide notice says: "The NIH has noted an increase in the numbers of papers reported as products of NIH funding which are published in journals or by publishers that do not follow best practices promoted by professional scholarly publishing organizations." Can you tell us any more about the numbers underlying that statement? NIH: We do not have hard numbers to share with you. That said, we have moticed reports from the community related to this topic, RW: You note that more than 30 percent of the research that comes from NIH funding appears in journals indexed by MEDLINEs. But that means that close to 10% appears in journals to indexed by MEDLINEs correct?			
	NIH: Yes. That is not surprising because MEDLINË is a highly selective set of journals and represents just a fraction of the published literature. In only accepts about 15% of journals that apply for indexing. Many journals that are rejected are still solid journals. They may simply be too new to have a track record, or cover topics out of scope. NIH-funded research may be published in non-biomedical journals (e.g., economics, engineering, mathematics) that are simply out of scope for the MEDLINE and the NLOellection. NIH supported research is published in a broad array of journals. NIH wants scientists to publish in venue that will reach the most relevant audience for their work while adhering to established good practices regarding peer review, editorial quality, etc. NIH-funded author manuscripts have been published in over 10,000 journals since 2008. Over 7800 journals of those journals have published does NIH supported manuscript. RW: Researchers who receive NIH funding are typically doing promising work, given the competition to obtain federal funds. What would this work end up in sub-par, allegedly "predatory" journals? NIH: We want to be clear that our guide notice was only focused on journals that might be engaging in deceptive practices. We are not concerned about journals that are too new to have a track record or journals that are trying to innovate. We are simply encouraging NIH awardsees to take care when publishing where they do not cite. There are many quality journals outside of MEDLINE and PMC with sound editorial practices, effective peer review, and scientific merit. It can often be difficult for a researcher-author to evaluate these factors independently. That's one reason the NIH Guide Notice			
	calls on all stakeholders to assist researcher-authors in finding good publishing venues. The NLM blog post highlights the role of librarians in this process because of their familiarity with journals and publisher. We also recognize that authors can sometimes feel pressure to publish their work quickly. In these cases, we would encourage authors to issue a preprint. They can post a preprint while they submit it to a peer-reviewed journal, or they can wait for community feedback to strengthen their manuscript. RW: Do you ever envision creating a requirement that funding recipients publish in journals that are indexed by MEDLINE, or some other criteria to ensure researchers publish their findings in reputable places? NIH: Our Guide Notice is a way of helping direct scientists to reputable journals. As noted above, MEDLINE is highly selective although it is encouraging to see that 90% of NHI funded papers are published in MEDLINE journals. Because of the many sources of author guidance and the abundance of fine journals both indexed and not indexed by MEDLINE, we do not foresee a need for restrictions. Further, the scientific community is good at identifying quality work in their discipline. As scientists become more familiar with deceptive journals, they will discount the work and scientists published in those journals.			
	West Texas Chapter			
	TOPIC: How to Prepare for an Internal Research Audit DATE: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 TIME: 12:00 CST* LOCATIONS:			
	• Lubbock - 1C-102 • *El Paso - EPAEC 212 (*11:00 AM MST) • Amarillo - AMHSC 4720			
	Amarino - Aminis (472) Odessa - OBISC 2C91 SPEAKER: Jacqueline Roberts, BS, BA, BA Research Compliance Officer Office of Research Resources Office of the Vice President for Research SOOI EI Paso Drive EI Paso, Texas			
	OBJECTIVES: • To explain what a research audit is, why it is performed, and why it is important • To clarify who can conduct an internal research audit • To provide an understanding of how one should prepare for an internal research audit RSVP to Cathy Lovett at: cathy.lovett@ttuhsc.edu			
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Looking for a journal for	The Journal of Medical Case Reports recently published the article, "How to choose the best journal for your case report,"			
your case report?	It details information about various journals and strategies to use to find the best place for your case report.			
your ease report.	It also includes a comprehensive table of case report journals, whether they are open access, their publisher, the year it was launched, and if it is indexed on PubMed.			
	https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5522590/			
2018 Student Research	Save the Date			
Week	March 20th - 23rd, 2018 Structure Research Week TTUHSC Lubbock Campus			
	Includes a vendor show, poster competition, and keynote addresses from: Dr. Jane Richardson & Dr. Francisco Bezanilla			
	Protein Chronicles: FROM UNKNOWN STRUCTURES TO ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS			

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• Application Deadlines – April 1st / October 15th Application Deadlines – April 1" / October 13"
 Peer Review – June / January
 Critiques to Applicants – August 1" / March 1"
 Council Meeting – Mid September / Mid March
 Grantee Notification – End September / End March
 Announcement "Newly Awarded Grantee and Pay-If Applicants" – October 1" / April 1"
 Grantee Certificates – November 1" / May 1"
 Grante Activation – January 1" / July 1" **Program Director** Second, the American Cancer Society's Health Systems Staff is now equipped with an Extramural Research and Training Department Program Director assigned to our division that can provide scientific expertise and relevance of potential funding. Lastly, the evolution of our research program has gone from focusing on launching the careers of the most innovative young cancer research scientist to both boosting support for projects that fit the goals and objectives of the Society and accelerating the most promising cancer research projects. This will allow a longer qualifying time for many cancer researchers. I have included in this packet a copy of the 2017 Cancer Facts & Figures that provides nationwide and state-specific estimates of new cancer cases and deaths for the current year. This annual report provides the most current information about cancer. The widely cited projections in the report serve as a basis for research. If you would like an electronic version to share with your colleagues, please let me know. I will work in every way possible to help your team of cancer researchers in making the right connections with the American Cancer Society's extramural research staff to better your chances of receiving the funds needed to continue cancer research at your facility. Best Wishes, Jennifer Puryear 806-745-0783 Jennifer.puryear@cancer.org AIP Publishing is pleased to announce AIP Author Services, a suite of resources aimed at helping authors prepare their manuscripts for submission New service to authors Our premier offering, Language Editing Services, gives authors the opportunity to have seasoned professionals review their work and ensure all grammar, word choice, punctuation, and overall structure is polished. By having a manuscript reviewed by an expert editor, authors increase the quality of their paper. 18th World Congress of the International Society of Gynecological Endocrinology to be held in Florence from the 7th to the 10th March 2018 and inform you of its latest developments. The Scientific Program, available here, has been so far enriched with 10 new Key Lectures and 25 Symposia that are going to develop thanks to the support of some colleagues, not to mention 15 Scientific Societies willing to contribute to its success. GVNecological *endocrinology* Find more relevant information at the following link: http://isge2018.isgesociety.com/abstract-submission/ **GENERATION NANO** Who: 6-12 graders -- individuals or teams of 2-3 What: Create a superhero using science, tell their story in a short comic OR video When: Enter Sept. 18, 2017-Jan. 8, 2018, 11:59 p.m. EST Where: Learn more & enter at nsf.gov/gennano Why: To promote early interest in science, technology, engineering and Where: Learn more & enter at nsf.gov/gennano mathematics. The blacklist is dead; long live the blacklist

A new watch-list of 'predatory' journals and untrustworthy publishers is set to launch later this month — but only for those willing to pay. The service could fill a gap left by Beall's List, a popular blog run by academic leffrey Bealth at listed potentially predatory journals, which was shut down suddenly five months ago. Information about identifying predatory journals There is a list of Open Access/Predatory Publishers/Questionable Conferences is available from the CalTech Library at Submit Your Abstract

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2018 Permian Basin Research Forum Dates	Call for abstracts open: November 2017 Abstract Deadline: January 31, 2018 Notification of presentation type for each presentation: February 15, 2018 TTUHSC at the Permian Basin Research Day: April 19, 2018		
Online	Visit TTUHSC at the Permian Basin Research's webpage at: https://www.tahsc.edu/odessa/research/default.aspx And like us on Facebook, visit the page: https://www.facebook.com/Texas-Tech-University-Health-Science-Center-in-the-Permian-Basin-Research-1612649318999433/		
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