Weekly Research Newsletter
June 6, 2017

Congratulations to those who were recognized at the Faculty Appreciation event.

Dr. Natalia Schlabritz-Lutsevich received the Dean’s Douglas Stocco Scholarship/Research Award,
Dr. Lavi Oud received Regional Dean Research award

Drs. Lavi Oud, Natalia Schlabritz-Lutsevich, Craig Spellman, Vani Selvan Arpita Vyas, as well as Mr. Travis Real, Mr. Erik Wilkinson, and Ms. Melissa Waggoner received recognition for instructing the Faculty Development Course for Research.

The faculty who completed the recent Faculty Development Course for Research were also recognized:

Below is a list of the publications for the July 2017 Dean’s Publication Awards. If you have a paper that has a publication date between January 2017 and June 2017 that is not listed below, please send that information to Melissa.waggoner@ttuhsc.edu.


**X Pandole, HI Cheema, GS Petitto, MA Lopez-Olivo, ME Suarez-Almazor and H Lu.** Prevention and treatment of bone loss and fractures in patients undergoing a hematopoietic stem cell transplant: A systematic review and meta-analysis. Bone Marrow Transplantation. Advance online publication. 23 January 2017; DOI: 10.1038/bmt.2016.312.

**Umer Malik, Hira Cheema, Ramachartiha Kandikatla, Yasir Ahmed, Kalyan Chakrala.** Disseminated Coccidioidomycosis presenting as carcinomatosis peritonei and intestinal coccidioidomycosis in a patient with HIV. Case Reports in Gastroenterology. DOI: 10.1159/000456655.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso
12th Annual Obstetrics and Gynecology Symposium

Friday June 9, 2017
Paul L. Foster School of Medicine Medical Education Building
El Paso, TX

For more information, please contact the Office of Continuing Medical Education at TTTUHSC El Paso Paul L. Foster School of Medicine
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The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has released two important related items. The first is the Final NIH-FDA Clinical Trial Template for Phase 2 and 3 IND/IDE Studies. The template aims to assist NIH-funded investigators in preparing clinical trial documents efficiently so that both IRBs and the FDA can perform speedy reviews.

NIH has also released a web-based platform where investigators can utilize the protocol template in an interactive fashion. The Electronic Protocol Writing Tool allows for a collaborative approach to writing and reviewing protocols. Investigators will be able to use the tool to form a “protocol writing team” and assign different individuals with writing and reviewing roles.

All of the above resources can be found on the NIH Office of Science Policy website: http://osp.od.nih.gov/office-clinical-research-and-bioethics-policy/clinical-research-policy/clinical-trials

### Information about identifying predatory journals

The blacklist is dead; long live the blacklist

A new watchlist 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 Jeffrey Beall that listed potentially predatory journals, which was shut down suddenly five months ago.

There is a list of Open Access/Predatory Publishers/Questionable Conferences is available from the CalTech Library at https://guides.caltech.edu/c.php?g=512665&p=3503029
The Gerontological Society of America’s The Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences is currently accepting submissions for two upcoming special issues. Consider submitting your research on the topics below:

**Funding Opportunity**

The American Heart Association’s scientific councils offer a variety of award opportunities to those interested in attending the AHA’s Scientific Sessions. Scientific Sessions 2017 will be held November 11-15, 2017, in Anaheim, California. Council awards and travel grants recognize the achievements of researchers, scientists, clinician, nurses and allied health professionals throughout their careers and can provide funding assistance to those who will be attending our conferences and presenting research. We invite you to apply or make a nomination for one of our numerous awards associated with Scientific Sessions!

**Award Application Window:**

**Now through Monday, June 12, 2017**

Please note there will be no extensions offered in 2017

**Early Career Investigator Awards:**
- Plaque, Photo, Inclusion in Connections Newsletter & Up to $1500

Early Career Investigator Awards recognize promising and outstanding trainees, investigators and clinicians in the early stages of their careers and stimulated continued interest in basic or clinical research. Councils giving awards for Scientific Sessions 2017 include ATVB, BCVS, 3CPR, CVSN, CVDY, CVRI, CVSA, CLCD, EPI, FTGB, Lifestyle, PVD and Stroke.

**Career Achievement:**
- Plaque, Photo, Inclusion in Connections Newsletter & Up to $1500 plus Travel Expenses

These awards recognize individuals for specific career endeavors and achievements that made a significant impact on the field of cardiovascular diseases and stroke, and helped further the mission of the scientific council and the AHA/ASA.

**Travel Stipends:**
- Certificate, Photo, Inclusion in Connections Newsletter & Up to $1000

These stipends help defray travel costs for early career investigators, trainees and students to participate in the AHA Scientific Sessions.

Please visit the Scientific Council web sites for complete award criteria, deadlines, and application or nomination instructions.

**Note:** Professional Membership of the AHA and the Sponsoring Council is REQUIRED at the time of application for all applicants and applicant sponsors for Early Career Investigator Awards and most Travel Stipends. Those needing to join or renew their membership should do so by **Tuesday, May 30** for the membership number to be processed in time for inclusion on the award application.

**Join Today!**

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**Early Career Travel Award Program**

Are you an ECR? If you are presenting your research at a conference in 2017 you may be eligible for PLOS’ ECR Travel Awards program. Share your thoughts on science communication and you could be one of ten winners who will receive $500 to be used toward conference travel.

**Eligibility**

Winners must meet all of the following criteria:

- Present at a conference between April 1 and December 31, 2017
- Listed as an author on a PLOS journal article with a publication date on or before the date application is submitted
- Be currently enrolled in a graduate program, or have a graduate degree within the last 5 years of the application deadline.


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**Survey from First 5 Permian Basin - UTPB**

Title V Maternal and Child Health at the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is currently conducting a survey of families that have a child with special health care needs. This assessment will help guide the agency’s activities to improve the health of Texas families.

DSHS is seeking input from ANY Texas family who has a child or young adult with special health care needs. Survey participation is voluntary and anonymous, and the survey should take only 15 minutes to complete.

The survey is available in English and Spanish:

- Spanish: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CYSHCN2017sp](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CYSHCN2017sp)

Please share with everyone in your network. The goal is to reach as many Texas families as possible so the agency has a realistic picture of the needs and strengths of families with children with special health care needs around the state.

The survey will be open until August 31, 2017. If you have questions or need assistance with this survey, please contact PHSUContractors@dshs.texas.gov.

Thank you for your support, outreach, and input.

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**Submit your research to an upcoming special issue**

The Gerontological Society of America’s The Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences is currently accepting submissions for two upcoming special issues. Consider submitting your research on the topics below:
New Developments in Psychological Wisdom Research
For this special issue, we are seeking high-quality empirical research and systematic reviews that will broaden and deepen our understanding of wisdom as a construct, its predictors, manifestations, outcomes, and limitations. All manuscripts selected for inclusion will be strongly theory based and include wisdom as a central variable. A broad range of methodological approaches will be accepted, provided that a convincing theoretical rationale is given.
Submit your research by June 30, 2017

Cognitive Neuroscience of Aging
Ever since the first published functional neuroimaging study of cognitive aging (Grady et al., 1994), the field has grown exponentially. Our theoretical understanding of age-related changes in functional activation—declines, increases, and preservation of both activation and connectivity—continues to evolve. For this special issue, we invite empirical papers describing cutting-edge advances in field and review articles that synthesize knowledge to shed new light on cognitive aging.
Submit your research by July 1, 2017

New journal: Gender and the Genome
Gender and the Genome is a new journal for sex and gender research. The journal's mission is to unite the transforming science that was initiated and continues to evolve since the beginning of this new century with the relevance of biological sex to the new 21st century research. More information about the journal can be found at http://online.liebertpub.com/doi/full/10.1089/gg.2016.0005.

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15th Biennial Meeting of the Diabetes in Pregnancy Study Group of North America
| **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** |
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