

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology



NOTES



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On the Move

On April 19, **Debbie**

Thurmond and her lab group are moving into newly renovated space for the Center for Diabetes Research in MS 1021, formerly used by Toxicology. The phone numbers will remain the same: Debbie's office phone in MS 1021H is 274-1551 and the lab can be reached at 274-6694 in MS 1021.

Important Dates

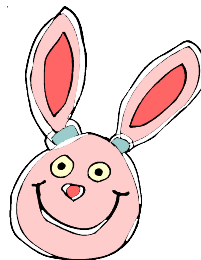
- 4/1 **Am. Cancer Society
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Professorship**
- 4/11 **EASTER**
- 4/22 **Classes end**
- 5/1 IUSM Biomedical Res.
- 5/9 Commencement
- 6/3 National Science Foundation
- 6/1 NIH New research
- 7/1 NIH Competing continuations
- 7/12 American Heart Assn. - National
- 7/13 American Heart Assn. - Midwest
- 7/15 American Diabetes Assn.
- 8/25 Classes begin

Congratulations!

Simon Atkinson has received a *Trustee Teaching Award* from the School of Medicine for this academic year 2003-04. A \$2500 stipend, a certificate, and the placement of his name on a plaque as a recipient of the Trustee Teaching Award for academic year 2003-04 accompanies this honor. In addition, to emphasize the importance of the teaching mission to the medical students, his name will be read as an exemplar teacher at the medical school graduation on May 9, 2004 at the Convention Center. Congratulations, Simon!

New Grant Award

Bob Harris received a competing renewal of his NIH project, "Regulation of Pyruvate Dehydrogenase Kinase".



Geri Brummett is the new Payroll/HR Clerk in the Biochem Office.

New Faces in Biochem



Jessica Soper is a new Research Technician in Anna DePaoli-Roach's lab.

April Seminars

Biochemistry Seminars Mondays 4 pm, MS 326

4/5 Dr. James A. Borowiec, Associate Professor of Biochemistry at New York University School of Medicine. Topic: **“Nucleolin: a nucleolar factor with unanticipated roles regulating p53 and RPA”**

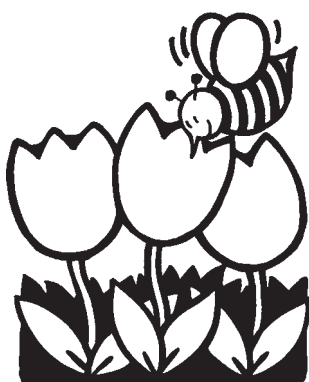
4/12 Dr. Britney Shea Herbert, Assistant Professor, Associate Member, IU Cancer Center, Dept. of Medical & Molecular Genetics at IUSM. Topic: **“Telomerase: A Breast Cancer Therapeutic and Chemopreventive Target”**

4/19 Dr. Linda Hendershot, Full Member in the Dept. of Genetics & Tumor Cell Biology at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Topic: **“The molecular chaperone BiP is a master regulator of ER function”**

4/26 Dr. Natasha Y. Kedishvili, Assistant Professor of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Topic: **“Novel Membrane-Bound Short-Chain Dehydrogenases/Reductase: The Missing Links in the Metabolism of Retinoid, Androgen, & Neurosteroid Hormones?”**

Biochemistry Student Seminars Wednesdays, 12 Noon, MS 311

4/7 Eric Benson
4/14 Brian Beck
Li Fan
4/21 Daphne
Farrington
4/28 Aditya Bansal



Other Seminars of Interest

4/21 Paula D. Ladd, Graduate Student, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, IUSM;. Topic: **“Hematopoietic-Specific Regulation of the Human HEX1/hExo1 and Human Rac2 Genes”**
9:00 a.m., Cancer Research Institute (R4), Room 101

4/26 Dr. Harold A. Scheraga, Todd Professor of Chemistry Emeritus, Baker Laboratory of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Cornell University; **“Hydrophobic Interactions” 12:00 Noon, MS326**

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Research Seminar Series Every other Thursday, 12:00 noon MS 311 A/B

4/1 Dr. Ariel Castro, Assistant Scientist, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, IUSM; **“Rheb solving the m-TOR signaling pathway”**

4/15 Yong Luo, Graduate Student, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, IUSM; **“The role of phosphorylation in IRAK1 and SIMPL proteins”**

4/29 Dr. Qin Zou, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, IUSM; **“Towards understanding the molecular mechanism of the mammalian pheromone signaling”**

Center for Diabetes Research Seminars, Tuesdays, 4:00 pm, MS 411 A/B

4/13 Dr. Jeffrey Elmendorf, Physiology; **“Fluidity of Insulin Action”**

4/27 Dr. Janice Blum, Microbiology; **“Type I Diabetes, Modulating Immune Responses to the Autoantigen GAD”**