Congratulations to our Program Leadership on a great EAB visit!
A note from the Principal Investigator

The feedback from the CTSC External Advisory Board meeting was extraordinarily enthusiastic about YOU, the speakers and key interactors with the members - everyone was impressed with your breadth of knowledge and experience, and also the enthusiasm you brought to the meeting. You were great!! Our program officer from NCATS says he now understands how interdigitated into a large and productive clinical research program the CTSC is, and how truly catalytic the program is. You all did a great job!

Thanks for this great effort and thank you for all that you do.

-Pam

KL2 Scholar News

Five representative KL2 scholars provided brief presentations to the CTSC’s External Advisory Board in January. The scholar presentations illustrated the goals and successes of the KL2 program far better than a program description could have done. These scholars shared what the KL2 meant to them including the opportunity to learn multidisciplinary research approaches, the opportunity to connect with scholars of many other disciplines, honing presentation and writing skills, mentorship, protected time, camaraderie with the other scholars, and the extensive coursework options. The scholars described their hopes and dreams about the impact their research could have on human health. The scholars presented the following:

- Studies of high dose vitamin D to lessen skin injury following chemical injury (Dr. Kurt Lu). The goal for this scholar is to develop a practical countermeasure against chemical threats that is safe, low cost and available.
Methods for more effective stroke rehabilitation (Dr. Jamie Knutson). The goal for this scholar is to reverse hemiplegia by creating treatments that train the brain to regain control of paralyzed limbs.

Transformational techniques for magnetic resonance imaging (Dr. Vikas Gulani). The goal for this scholar is to create a method to change MRI from a qualitative method to a quantitative method, leading to improved greater diagnostic quality and lower cost.

Studies on the genetic basis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (Dr. Tom Frazier). The goal for this scholar is to decrease the burden of Autism Spectrum Disorder on the patient, family, and society.

Studies to improve self-management of chronic illness (Dr. Mary Dolansky). The goal for this scholar is to reduce disability, improve quality of life and reduce complications that result in rehospitalization for the elderly with congestive heart failure.

PRCHN News

Congratulations to Suzanne Johnson, MA, who has been named our new Deputy Director for the Prevention Research Center at Case Western Reserve University. You can reach Suzanne at sxj301@case.edu or at (216) 368-5773.

February & March PRCHN Seminar Series Speakers:

Wednesday, February 12, 2014, 12PM

"Opportunities and Challenges in Community-Based Violence Prevention"

Presented by Dan Flannery, PhD
Director, Center for Violence Prevention and Research Professor, Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences (MSASS).

Dan Flannery, PhD

Wednesday, March 12, 2014, 12PM

"The Affordable Care Act: Implications for Public Health and Prevention"

Presented by Johnie Rose, MD, PhD
Department of Family Medicine, CWRU

Johnie Rose, MD, PhD

All seminars take place in the Ground Floor Conference Room of the BioEnterprise Building, 11000 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland.
Meet the CTSC's Newest Member!

We are pleased to announce that Billie Kyriakides has joined the Clinical and Translational Science Collaborative (CTSC) team as Assistant Director of the Pilot Award Program. Billie joined the CTSC Office in December 2013 and is responsible for the oversight and management of the Core Pilot Programs as well as Special Projects for the Dean's Office. Billie received a Bachelor of Science in Health Studies from Miami University in Oxford, OH and has over six years of experience in the Health and clinical research industry. She has spent the last two years in Graduate Medical Education at University Hospitals where she primarily handled ACGME Program Accreditation, House Staff Licensure, Resident Appeals, and administered Program Internal Reviews.

Please join us in welcoming Billie to the School of Medicine and Clinical and Translational Science Collaborative!

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CTSC Core Utilization Pilot Award Recipients

Join us in congratulating our November 2013 recipients

Marvin Nieman, PhD  Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine  “Analysis of the phosphoproteome in thrombin stimulated platelets”

Zhenghe Wang, PhD  Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine  “Targeting glutamine metabolism for cancer therapy”

Did You Know?

CTSC-Great Lakes Science Center Initiative

The Great Lakes Science Center (GLSC) and the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine’s Clinical and Translational Science Collaborative (CTSC) designed an internship program to engage high school students from MC2 School of Science and Medicine at John Hay School in diabetes, obesity, and cardiovascular (DOC) disease research.
BMT:STEM Internship Students will (A) explore a biomedical research approach under the guidance of CTSC mentors and/or (B) develop an educational deliverable under the guidance of GLSC mentors. Youth Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) will administer the internship program.

Find out more at biomedtechstem.org.