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ACS grants available for young investigators

Assistant Professors and Assistant Scientists are eligible to submit applications for the American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grants. **The deadline is Thursday December 1, 2005.**

Forms are available from Liz Parsons in the IUCC office, Room 455 of the IU Cancer Pavilion, eparsons@iupui.edu, phone 278-0078, fax 278-0074.

These grants are typically in the amount of \$15,000 to \$20,000 and will be awarded for the period of 1/1/06 through 12/31/06. Investigators who have received prior ACS funding or who have significant funding from other sources are not eligible to apply. Limited support for partial salary may be allowed. All applicants need to be U.S. citizens or submit proof of green card approval.

The 8- to 10-page applications will be reviewed by the ACS Institutional Research Grant Committee, chaired by Len Erickson. ACS requires PIs to submit an interim and final progress report.



Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Kristin Chun** on her new NIDDK award for the project, "Role of CUL4A and Ubiquitin in Hematopoiesis in ES Cells".

And congrats to **Joseph Dynlacht** for his new NCI award for the project, "Role of the Mrell Complex in Heat Radiosensitization".

Cudos to **Mark Deeg** for his new VA Merit Review funding for his work on "GPI-PLD in serum triglyceride metabolism"



Yearly Sign-up for Health Insurance Plans (Deadline is 11/18/05)

By Oct. 31, all full-time appointed faculty and staff should have received an open enrollment packet at their campus addresses for yearly health insurance plan sign up. The packet contains details about this one-a-year opportunity to make changes in health and dental care, the tax saver benefit plan, and personal accident insurance. Appointed faculty and staff who did not receive an open enrollment packet can visit the Human Resources (HR) website at www.indiana.edu/~uhrs/ and click on *Benefits*, or call HR at 274-4596.

All open enrollment changes need to be submitted to HR by Friday, Nov. 18, 2005.

Publications

Raikwar NS, Bowen RF, **Deeg MA**. Mutating His29, His125, His133 or His158 abolishes glycosylphosphatidylinositol-specific phospholipase D catalytic activity. *Biochem J.* 2005 Oct 15;391(Pt 2):285-9

Indiana Biomedical Entrepreneur Network Nov. 8th at 5pm

You are invited to attend the next Indiana Biomedical Entrepreneur Network (IBEN) meeting scheduled for November 8, 2005 at 5pm at the University Place Conference Center in Indianapolis. The title of the event is "Building Your Business Team." We are proud to have J. Eric Davis, Managing Partner of IN-vivo Ventures and P. Ron Ellis, Chief Executive Officer of Endocyte as presenters. The cost of the event is free and preregistration is requested at <http://www.indianabionetwork.org/>

A New Baby!



Congratulations to Jon and **Brandy Akin** on the birth of their daughter. Adelaide Katherine Akin (Addy) was born on October 4th. She weighed 8lbs 3oz.

November Seminars

Biochemistry

11/7 Dr. John Turchi, Professor, Department of Medicine, Indiana University School of Medicine,

Indianapolis, IN. Topic: **"Recognition and repair of chemotherapy induced DNA damage". 4:00 p.m. - MS 326**

11/14 Dr. John M. Beals, Senior Research Advisor Eli Lilly & Company Lilly Research Laboratories Indianapolis, IN Topic: **"Understanding The Role of Electrostatics in the Erythropoietin/Erythropoietin Receptor System". 4:00 p.m. - MS 326**

11/21 Dr. Richard A. Cerione, Professor of Pharmacology, Department of Molecular Medicine, Goldwin Smith Professor, Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Topic: **"Cdc42 works together with some Cool proteins to regulate growth". 4:00 p.m. - MS 326**

11/28 Dr. Berge Minassian, Assistant Professor, University of Toronto, Neurologist and Scientist, The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Canada Topic: **"How a prokaryotic sequence saves us from starch on the brain, fits, dementia and tumors". 4:00 p.m. - MS 326**

Center for Diabetes Research

11/8 Dr. Niels Porksen, Medical Advisor, Clinical Pharmacology and Endocrine TA, Eli Lilly and Company. Topic: **"Insulin oscillations as a diabetes research tool. Potential as predictor of diabetes". 4:00 p.m. - MS MF 122A (Daly Center).**

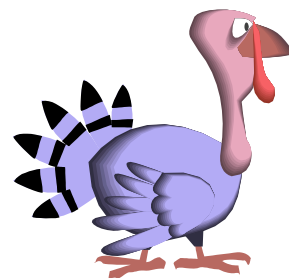
Center for Computational Biology and Bioinformatics

11/11 Dr. Igor Kaltashov, Assistant Professor Department of Chemistry, University of Mass-Amherst. Topic: **"When the mass does not matter: novel uses of mass spectrometry to study protein structure dynamics and function". 3:30 p.m. - MS 326**

11/18 Dr. Kimmen Sjölander, Assistant Professor Department of Bioengineering University of California, Berkeley. Topic: **"Structural Phylogenomic Approaches to Inferring Protein Function". 3:30 p.m. - MS 326**

Student Seminars Noon - MS 326

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| November 2 | Wei Luo |
| November 9 | Lin Lin |
| November 16 | Dawn Brown |
| November 30 | Sunyong Tang |



Mark Your Calendars

The annual Biochemistry Christmas Party is scheduled for Friday, December 16, 2005 at noon in the MS atrium. We hope to see you there!