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Make sure to check out the Graduate School’s professional development event calendar, which has a comprehensive list of all professional development events around campus for grad students and postdocs. You can find the schedule at: http://grad.wisc.edu/events

**New Updates: CMB Class of 2018, Upcoming Deadlines, Events, Fall Courses, and Postdoc Opportunities!**

**CMB Yearly Requirement Deadlines**
Students, the deadline for scheduling your yearly thesis committee meeting is May 17. Meetings need to be completed and appropriate forms turned into the CMB Office by August 31. The forms can be found on the CMB website. A question has been added to the yearly meeting forms, so please be sure to use the updated forms posted on the website.

**Announcing the Incoming CMB Class of 2018!**
Thank you to everyone who helped out with the admissions and recruiting process this year! The following students will join CMB as rotators in the Fall:
- Meareg Amare
- Janna Bashar
- Keer Jiang
- Steven John
- Aicha Quamine
- Zhouyuan Shen

We are looking forward to welcoming the new students during Orientation Week, which is scheduled August 27-31!

**Graduate School Student Research Grants Available**
The Graduate School is opening a flash research round of applications for research travel awards on May 1. $600 grants will be awarded to dissertators demonstrating financial need for travel or other research-related expenses. More info available here: https://grad.wisc.edu/funding/grants-competition/.

**End of the Semester Stress Relief**
The end of the semester is quickly approaching! Here are some stress relief events to help keep you focused and nurture your mental health:
- April 11-May 9 - Dogs on Call
- April 25 - Let's Play
- April 30-May 9 - Finals Frenzy @ the Union
- May 1 - Late Night Breakfast
- May 6-11 - Stress Relief Week (all Group Fitness classes will be free)
- May 7 - MSC Study Jam

**BioHouse Graduate Student Mentors Wanted - Application Due TODAY**
UW-Madison's BioHouse Residential Learning Community is seeking applications for Graduate Student Mentors for the Fall 2018 BioHouse Seminar. The application deadline is Friday, April 27th. Information about the Learning Community can be found here.

**Bade Research Hour - TODAY, 3:30PM!**
Join us for the Bade Research Hour today at 3:30pm! Kaija Goodman of the Otegui Lab will present, "ESCRT machinery in cellular trafficking plants." Food and refreshments will be served!

**MCP Seminar - Monday, April 30**
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Please join the MCP Program as we welcome Dr. Andre Larochelle (NIH/NHLBI: Bio) for a seminar on Monday, April 30 from 12-1pm in 1345 HS. Dr. Larochelle will present on: "Eltrombopag in Aplastic Anemia: Making Blood Stem Cells Great Again."

**Epigenomics at Van Andel Research Institute - Due Soon - May 1!**
Taught by internationally recognized epigenomics experts, the third annual Epigenomics at VARI workshop gives gifted graduate students an intense overview of the latest innovative methodology and its application across several fields including cancer and neurodegenerative disease research. Richard Young, PhD, and member or the Whitehead Institute and MIT will give the Keynote Address: “Genome structure in gene control in health and disease.” To apply, please click here. For application instructions, please click here. Applications will be accepted March 1 - May 1, 2018. Full scholarships including travel available up to 15 students. Contact Aubrie Bruinsma at Aubrie.bruinsma@vai.org for questions.

**DB Weekly Seminar - Friday, May 4**
Join us for the next DB weekly seminar on Friday, May 4 at 4pm in Orchard View Room, WID. Speakers will be Scott Aoki (Kimble Lab): "Assumptions, misconceptions and insights into RNA-protein granules" and Joel Serre (Hardin Lab): "Interaction or coincidence: determining the roles of SRGP-1 and PRKL-1 during dorsal intercalation." Happy hour to follow presentations.

**New Fall Course, NTP 670: Neural Stem Cells**
CMB Trainers Darcie Moore and Xinyu Zhao are teaching a new 3-credit course this fall, NTP 670: Neural Stem Cells. It can be taken as a CMB elective course with permission from the program, so please let Lauren know if you are interested in taking it. CMB will consider making it a permanent elective course after the Fall 2018 semester. Among the topics that will be included in the course are: neural stem cells in embryonic development, adulthood and aging, and more! The goal of this course is to introduce the concept, updated research, and therapeutic potentials of neural stem cells to graduate students and advanced senior undergraduate students.

**Intensive Lab/Lecture Summer 2018 Courses for Graduate Students**
Do you wish you had a fast way to learn to work with DNA, RNA, and proteins? Try one of these three intensive 5-day laboratory courses offered in Madison this summer for 2 graduate credits!:
Oncology 675: Section 001, Core Techniques in Protein and Genetic Engineering: July 16-20
Oncology 675: Section 002, Emerging techniques in Protein and Genetic Engineering: July 19-23
Neuroscience 675: Section 001, Molecular Approaches to Neuroscience: Gene Expression and Cell Analysis; June 18-22
For more information, contact Dr. Amy Prevost (amy.prevost@btci.org)

**Population Health Sciences 650-082 Fall 2018 Course**
The WI State Laboratory of Hygiene at UW-Madison is sponsoring a 2-credit course about the public health laboratory for Fall semester. The course is now enrolling graduate students and upper-level undergrads. The class will meet on Fridays from 1:20-3:15pm. For questions about the course, please contact Dr. Patrice Held at Patrice.held@slh.wisc.edu.

**Postdoc Opportunity - Ansari Lab, UW-Madison**
Aseem Ansari's group investigates fundamental mechanisms of gene regulation and design gene regulators. Their research program integrates concepts and methods from multiple disciplines, including Synthetic & Chemical Biology, Genomics & Proteomics, Computer Science and Precision medicine. They are seeking a talented and passionate doctoral fellow with experience in Ataxia research to explore Syn-TFs as novel mechanistic probes and develop this class of molecules as precision therapeutics for Friedrich's ataxia. For further details, visit: https://ansarilab.biochem.wisc.edu/research.html. If interested, please contact Dr. Ansari at azansari@wisc.edu.

**Postdoc Opportunity - Diasio Lab at the Mayo Clinic**
Robert Diasio’s research lab at Mayo Clinic is seeking a postdoctoral fellow to study colorectal cancer development, progression, and therapeutic response using multi-disciplinary approaches that range from cellular and mouse models to clinical trial specimens. The lab is part of the Mayo Clinic Cancer Center, located in Rochester, MN. For more information or to learn about potential research projects, potential candidates are encouraged to email diasiolab@mayo.edu.