Welcome to the seventh edition of the CCTS Investigator! This e-newsletter is sent to the OSU Research Community, faculty, staff, and students on a monthly basis. Scroll down for news and updates from The Ohio State University Center for Clinical and Translational Science. Visit us at ccts.osu.edu.

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LATEST NEWS AT THE CCTS

RFA deadline extended till June 30

The CCTS Research Education Pilot Program has extended its deadline till June 30 at 5:00 p.m.

The Education Pilot Program’s objective is to generate preliminary data demonstrating effectiveness of the team to perform highly innovative extramurally fundable scientific research.

View the PDF for complete application instructions.

OSU CCTS awards Davis-Bremer Pilot Grants to mentored junior physician scientist

Five OSU physician researchers have each been awarded one-year pilot grants from the Pilot and Collaborative Translational and Clinical Studies Program, in conjunction with the Richard P. and Marie R. Bremer Medical Research Fund.

These grants, jointly funded by the CCTS and the OSU College of Medicine, create integrated solutions to complex clinical and translational problems and support mentored junior physician scientists.

The five awardees selected were Matthew Old, MD, Stephen C. Cook, MD, FACC, Carl Schmidt, MD, MSCI, Ergun Kocak, MD, MS, and Hamdy Elsayed-Awad, MD.

Clinical Research Center adds new iDXA Equipment

The CRC acquired state-of-the-art Lunar iDXA (DEXA) technology. iDXA measures bone density and body composition.

The iDXA will provide OSU Researchers with the technology to study how fat can be detrimental in different areas of the body. This technology reduces scan time from 15 – 30 minutes to only 5 -7 minutes. It also increased the maximum weight from 280 pounds to 450 pounds.

Visit the CCTS website for more information and a informational video

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Registration is still open for the Discovery, Innovation and Commercialization Workshop Series

The CCTS, in collaboration with the Fisher College of Business and the OSU College of Medicine, is pleased to announce the upcoming “Discovery, Innovation and Commercialization Workshop series,” focusing on innovation in health care and medicine.

Workshops will occur on Fridays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, June 25, July 30, August 20, October 8, and October 29, 2010. Registration and tickets are free and can be ordered on-line.

FACULTY / STAFF HIGHLIGHT

Thelma Vargo, RN, *(pictured)* was awarded the 2010 Cameos of Caring Staff Nurse Award for her outstanding bedside care to research study participants and families.

One staff nurse from each hospital system, including University Hospital, OSU Harding Hospital, the Ross Heart Hospital, University Hospital East and the James Cancer Hospital, receives the annual award.

[Read more on the CCTS Web site…](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

To view a list of upcoming lectures and seminars at the OSU CCTS, visit our Education and Training page and click on Seminars & Lectures.

NEW SERVICES / RESOURCES

CCTS protocol development office hours listed. CCTS and CRC Managers will be available to review investigators’ clinical research ideas **Thursdays from 1-3 p.m.** in room 243 of the Prior Health Sciences Library. Managers can help materialize concepts and identify additional resources.

**Webcasting/Video Conferencing Services** are now located in the Collaboratory. This technology allows researchers to interact with other individuals by video or phone conferences. Please contact Ruth Miller at [Ruth.Miller@osumc.edu](mailto:Ruth.Miller@osumc.edu) well in advance to book a session in the Collaboratory.

RESEARCH CONCIERGE / REQUEST CCTS SERVICES

Valerie DeGroff *(pictured)* provides the CCTS staff with more than 30 years of research and administrative experience. As **Research Concierge**, she can assist researchers with their projects by helping to navigate the research infrastructure, matching requests for specialized expertise with faculty, assessing research needs, making recommendations for services, and facilitating access to CCTS resources.

Please [contact Valerie](mailto:Valerie@osumc.edu) about any clinical and translational research question via phone at 614-366-7367, or [Request for Research Concierge Services](#).

For information about Requests for Applications (RFAs) or other deadlines related to CCTS Awards, [visit the CCTS Awards Calendar](#).

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