November Newsletter
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COVID-19

HELP WANTED FOR DEPT WEBSITE
The Physiology Department relies on the webpage to disseminate information to members of our department and to the wider world. If you have any relevant skills, consider helping out with updates to the department website. Email Marcus@interlists.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTORS!
Have a short article you would like to put on the newsletter? Or are you interested in helping out every month? Please email Sarah or Kelli! The newsletter team is always looking for more help!

Upcoming Events

BCMB Welcome Happy Hour!  TODAY AT 3PM!
Friday Seminar  10am, Nov 13
Namani Senoo, Claypool Lab
Nathan Zaidman, Plumick Lab

Wednesday Seminar  12pm, Nov 18th
Robin Allan, Washington University
“Virus-mediated cognitive impairment”
Nov 26: Thanksgiving

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Mandatory Flu Shots

Deadlines for flu shots and exemption requests are coming up! See below for details.

Deadline for flu shots  Friday, Nov. 20th

A reminder that flu shots are mandatory for all members of the Hopkins community this year.

If you haven’t received it yet, use this voucher at your local Walgreens or you can schedule your shot on campus here. And be sure to fill out this form before heading to your appointment. Anyone who has a medical or religious exception must submit this form by Tuesday, Nov. 10th.

For more information, be sure to visit the Hopkins 2020-21 Flu Campaign page.

And to everyone who has already gotten the shot, thank you for doing your part to help prevent the spread of the flu!

BCMB Welcome Happy Hour!

The Physiology Department is hosting a welcoming happy hour for the incoming BCMB students! TODAY at 3pm!

This event will kick off with a few words from Dr. Bill Guggino and Dr. Steve Claypool and will feature some of our department’s current research projects. There will also be two special presentations showcasing some fun activities to do around Baltimore and two rounds of “Name that Physiologist”.

Presentation speakers include:
- Alex Wade (Kralli lab)
- Dylan Saver (Wong lab)
- Michelle Acoba (Claypool lab)
- Nathan Zaidman (Pluznick lab)
- Sarah Chau (Kralli lab)

There’s No Taste Like Home

Travel isn’t the best idea right now especially for those of us very far from home. Some of us may be cooking holiday dinners ourselves for the first time this year, trying our hand at new traditions and family favorites alike. Here’s a couple of our favorite holiday sides if you want to try something new!

I don’t know how many of you remember, but the department held a Thanksgiving Potluck last year and I brought a bowl of cranberry relish. It’s not super cold but not soft, so it’s good to have around. Let me know if you’d like to sign up for a side dish at the December meeting.

Meanwhile, the Pluznick lab continues to identify and characterize the function of novel GCPR’s! This month, Nathan Zaidman of the Plumick lab and others demonstrate how knockout of GPR116 significantly reduces urine pH causing metabolic alkalosis.

Publications

The Wong lab is busy as ever with their research into CTRP’s, their favorite protein family. Susie Rodrigues et al. examine how kidney function is impaired in aged CTRP1 knockout mice fed a high-fat diet. This work also features contributions from Jen Puznick! Meanwhile, Dylan Saver et al. examine how feeding behavior and adiposity is altered in CTRP4 knockout mice.

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