#### **News, Opportunities and Deadlines for November 2018**



## **LBRN Annual Meeting**

Save the Dates!

LBRN Annual Meeting, Friday January 18 - 19, 2019 @ Center for Computation and Technology, LSU



#### LA Conference on Computational Biology & Bioinformatics

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7th Annual LA Conference on Computational Biology & Bioinformatics, Friday April 5-6, 2019 @ Center for Computation and Technology, LSU

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual LA Conference on Computational Biology & Bioinformatics

Friday & Saturday, Apr. 5 ~ 6, 2019
340 E Parker Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Center for Computation & Technology, Louisiana State University



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**LBRN/CCT - Pine Biotech Fall/Winter Bioinformatics Program** 



We are pleased to announce the CCT/LBRN - Pine Biotech Fall/Winter Bioinformatics Program for LSU/LBRN Network institutions Students, Grad and Undergrad, PostDocs and Faculty members.

#### Curriculum: The LBRN Fall/Winter Bioinformatics Training Program consists of 6 courses and 2 projects.

In this curriculum, analysis skills are developed in a project setting that combines insight into the typical problems addressed by a bioinformatician and exposure to the analysis logic, highlighted by a unique online research and learning environment, the T-BioInfo platform (see more at <a href="https://t-bio.info/">https://t-bio.info/</a>). The platform is a platform designed to be transparent and offers links to methods as well as downloadable code for some modules.

#### Modules Overview

Program Modules descriptions: <u>LBRNCCT-2018-BioinformaticsProgram-modules-FALLWINTER-overview.pdf</u>

#### Program Sessions

The program sessions will be available via (formerly ViewMe) Video conferencing software and on-site at Conference room# 1034 at Center for Computation & Technology, LSU, 340 E Parker Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808. Details will be given to program registrants as the sessions progress.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	Date/Time
November 5, 2018	Introduction to Bioinformatics	10:00 am CST to 12:00 pm CST
November 9, 2018	Introduction to RNA Seq Course	10:00 am CST to 11:00 am CST
December 3, 2018	Introduction to Epigenetics Course	10:00 am CST to 11:00 am CST
December 10, 2018	RNA Seq Workshop	10:00 am CST to 12:00 pm CST
December 17, 2018	Introduction to Genomics Course	10:00 am CST to 11:00 am CST
January 18, 2019	Hands on Workshop	10:00 am CST to 12:00 pm CST
February 4, 2019	Genomics Workshop	10:00 am CST to 12:00 pm CST
February 25, 2019	Machine Learning Workshop	10:00 am CST to 12:00 pm CST
March 8, 2019	Introduction to MetaGenomics Course	10:00 am CST to 11:00 am CST
March 28, 2019	Machine Learning Workshop	10:00 am CST to 12:00 am CST
April 5-6, 2019	Bioinformatics Conference	TBA

#### **Summer Program and Recruitment**



The Summer Application is open. Please begin your application early. You can update as you go.

**Apply Here!** 

#### **New NIH Peer Review Videos for Applicants**

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(NOT-OD-19-017) Center for Scientific Review

Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to inform NIH grant applicants, their mentors, and grant management officials about two new videos released by the NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR).

What Happens to Your NIH Grant Application

Most new applicants for R01 or similar NIH research grants cannot attend one of NIH's popular outreach presentations. This video presents one of these presentations, which gives viewers insights into how their applications are reviewed so they can better navigate the NIH peer review process.

#### Top 10 Peer Review Q&As for NIH Applicants

Applicants ask NIH countless questions as they ready their grant application for NIH peer review. This video enlisted 10 experts from the NIH Center for Scientific Review to answer the top 10 questions about the submission and review of NIH grant applications. Applicants with more questions are encouraged to visit CSR's new Web page that presents the top 100 NIH peer review Q&As.

These videos are part of a larger collection of NIH peer review videos. They can be viewed and downloaded for later playback by visiting CSR's <u>video Web page</u>.

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NIH Peer Review Revealed provides a front-row seat to a review peer review meeting



Jumpstart Your Research Career with CSR's Early Career Reviewer Program tells how it works



Webinars provide helpful guidance to R01, R15, Fellowship and SBIR/STRR Applicants



NIH Tips for Applicants gives applicants practical advice and insights



The BBC Core provides introductory educational lecture series on informatics topics that are recorded and streamed. Prior offerings that are available for on demand streaming include;

- An Introduction to Computers and Informatics in the Health Sciences
  - http://metagenomics.lsuhsc.edu/lectures/introinformatics/
- An Introduction to Microbial Community Sequencing and Analysis
  - <u>http://metagenomics.lsuhsc.edu/lectures/intromicrobiota/</u>

On demand streaming links are available by each lecture along with downloadable lecture slides.

#### **LONI HPC Allocation for LBRN**



We are happy to announce that High Performance Computing allocation for supporting LBRN/BBC Core community from the LONI HPC system.

This can be utilized in lieu of individual investigators having to apply for and acquire their own allocations to access the HPC resources. If any of your campus members need access to high performance computing, please have them interface with <u>Dr. Nayong Kim</u>.

## **CFA for Short Term Core Pojects**



Molecular Cell Biology Research Resources Core (**MCBRC**) and Bioinformatics, Biostatistics, and Computational Biology Core (**BBCC**) are calling for proposals to carry out short term projects in collaboration with the Cores. All LBRN researchers can submit a proposal for a defined project that can be carried out in collaboration with the Core facilities listed in the attached Call for Proposals (CFP) on a competitive basis. Each selected project will be allocated \$1,500 to fully or partially offset Core expenses. More details can be found in the

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#### **NIH Extramural Nexus (NIH/OD)**



#### Working Together to Protect the Integrity of NIH-funded Research

When research findings are made up from thin air, misrepresented in some way, or blatantly and without credit copied from others, we risk eroding the public's trust, damaging institutional reputation, harming careers, incurring skepticism, misleading future research, and, arguably most importantly, hurting patients.

NIH takes research misconduct seriously.



## Working Together to Promote Research Integrity





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### Understanding Age in the NIH Portfolio: Implementation of the NIH Inclusion Across the Lifespan Policy

Last December, NIH announced a revision to its Inclusion of Children Policy to expand the policy to individuals of all ages (NOT-OD-18-116). The revised policy, now called the <u>Inclusion Across the Lifespan policy</u>, requires individuals of all ages (including children and older adults) be included in clinical research studies unless there are scientific or ethical reasons to exclude them (see also <u>this Open Mike post</u> and <u>this All About Grants podcast</u>).

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1	Race	Ethnicity	Sex/Gender	Age	Age Unit
2	Asian	Not Hispanic or Latino	Male	23	Years
3	White	Hispanic or Latino	Female	6	Months
4	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	15	Days
5	More than one race	Not Hispanic or Latino	Male	30	Years
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## What Contributes to the Success of Early Career Scientists? A NIAID Look

At NIH, we are heavily invested in our workforce and in <u>understanding the barriers they face</u>. What characteristics do they share? How do they compete in the <u>current hypercompetitive environment</u>? When do they stop applying to NIH (drop out), even after receiving their first award?

Staff from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) delve into these questions in a <u>paper published recently in PLOS ONE</u>, whose findings I'd like to highlight today. Here, Drs. Patricia Haggerty and Matthew Fenton looked at factors that may contribute to the success of early-career investigators and if these factors affect all junior researchers equally.

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## Protecting Participants, Empowering Researchers: Providing Access to Genomic Summary Results

Guest post by <u>Carrie Wolinetz, Ph.D.</u>, NIH Associate Director for Science Policy, and <u>Eric Green, M.D., Ph.D.</u>, Director of the National Human Genome Research Institute, originally released on the <u>Under the Poliscope blog</u>

Today, we are <u>updating the way we manage data related to</u> the NIH Genomic Data Sharing Policy to again allow unrestricted access to genomic summary results for most of the studies we support in order to advance health or further research purposes. These summary results are importantly distinct from other genomic research data, most notably in that they do not include individual-level information. Instead, these results come from analyzing pooled genomic data from multiple individuals together to generate a statistical result for the entire dataset. Such information can be a powerful tool for helping researchers determine which genomic variants potentially contribute to a disease or disorder.

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## Top Stories

#### Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement for Fiscal Year 2019

NIH has released a revised <u>Grants Policy Statement</u> that applies to all NIH grants and cooperative agreements with budget periods beginning on or after October 1, 2018. This revised version does not introduce new policies, but it does incorporate all policy changes or updates made throughout the previous year and includes significant enhancements to improve the user interface, navigation, and search. Let us know what you think of the usability enhancements. We welcome suggestions for continued improvement!

Read the full announcement for details.

### Legislative Mandates for Fiscal Year 2019

NIH issued a notice detailing statutory provisions that limit or condition the use of funds on NIH grant, cooperative agreement, and contract awards for FY 2019. These provisions include:

- Salary Limitation
- Gun Control
- Anti-Lobbying
- Acknowledgment of Federal Funding
- Restriction on Abortions, with exceptions
- Ban on Funding Human Embryo Research
- Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances
- Restriction on disclosure of political affiliation for Federal scientific advisory committee candidates
- Dissemination of False or Misleading Information
- Restriction of Pornography on Computer Networks
- Restriction on Distribution of Sterile Needles

For additional details, see NOT-OD-19-030.

## New Application Requirements for Institutional Training Grants: Letter of Institutional Commitment to Harassment and Discrimination Protections

NIH takes the issue of <u>sexual harassment and discrimination</u> very seriously. As such, beginning for applications submitted for due dates on or after January 25, 2019, institutional training grant applications (T15, T32, T34, T35, T36, T37, T90/R90, TL1, TL4) must include a letter that describes the institutional commitment to ensuring that proper policies, procedures, and oversight are in place to prevent discriminatory harassment and other discriminatory practices. This letter should be included with other Letters of Support on the PHS 398 Research Training Program Plan form.

See NOT-OD-19-029 for additional details and instructions for this new requirement.

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## Spring Into Action and Register for the 2019 NIH Regional Seminar in Baltimore Today!

Each year, the NIH Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration continues to draw participants from all over the globe. If you are new to working with NIH grants and would like the opportunity to learn more directly from NIH & HHS experts, then make plans now to participate in the next <a href="NIH Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration">NIH Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration</a>, Spring 2019 in Baltimore, MD.

- Where: Renaissance Baltimore Harborplace Hotel
- When: Wednesday, May 15, 2019 (Optional Pre-Seminar Workshops) Thursday and Friday, May 16-17, 2019 (2-Day Seminar)
- Why Attend? Unique opportunity to hear the latest NIH grants process and polices directly from over 65 NIH & HHS Program, Grants, Review and Policy presenters...all in a central location. In addition, you have the option to meet with over 35 additional experts representing NIH Institutes and Centers for 15 minute chats. That's over 100 experts available to choose from!
- What are You Waiting For? Register today!



#### New Resources

#### New "All About Grants" Podcast on Preparing for Private Investment

Wondering how to knock that investor pitch out of the park? In this next installment of the "All About Grants" podcast series, small business innovators will get a front row seat to hear how to prepare for private investment (MP3 / Transcript). Dr. Ethel Ruben, NIH's Entrepreneur-In-Residence, steps up to the plate and shares insights on who these investors are, how they decide on what innovations to invest in the biomedical commercial space, and some valuable tips and tricks to improve the accuracy of your investor pitch.

Tune in to learn the ins and outs of private equity and how it can help you continue developing biomedical innovations post-NIH award and bring it home to the marketplace.

More podcasts are available on our All About Grants podcast page.

#### Multi-project Application Resources

Submitting a multi-project application for the January 25 standard due date? If so, you'll want to check out these handy resources:

- Multi-project Application Form Instructions (PDF)
- <u>Multi-project Annotated Form Set FORMS-E series</u> (PDF)
- Preparing Your Application Using ASSIST (web page)
  - Quick Start: Preparing Your Multi-project Application Using ASSIST (PDF)
  - Prepare and Submit a Multi-project Grant Application Using ASSIST (PowerPoint)
- How eRA Assembles Multi-project Applications (PDF)
- Multi-project Application FAQs

#### Decoding NIH Grant Numbers

Have you ever wondered what each part of an NIH grant number means? Decode that string of letters and numbers with this helpful <u>cheat sheet</u>. After grasping the basics, you'll be able to quickly tell if an application is new, which NIH institute or center (IC) is funding the grant, and which support year it is in just by glancing at the number. Or you may even want to print the cheat sheet and use it is a handy reference for IC codes/acronyms and application types.

The grant number is used for many things, one of which is acknowledging Federal funding. To learn more about this important use, see our website on <u>Communicating and Acknowledging Federal Funding</u>.

#### **National Research Mentoring Network**





#### NRMN is coming to ABRCMS 2018!

Join the MyNRMN group to get rewarded for networking! We welcome you to attend our **NRMN Meet & Greet**, a networking event for asking questions, exploring resources, and making new connections.

Location: JW Marriot-White River Ballroom, A/B

Time: Friday, November 16, 6-9 PM

## MYNRMN SCAVENGER HUNT At #ABRCMS 2018



Win prizes while networking! Complete two different levels of tasks & challenges during the MyNRMN Scavenger Hunt, before and during the conference from Nov.14-17. Join the MyNRMN group to begin. Scan the QR Code or go to www.bit.ly/NRMNgroupcon18!



#### **NIH LBRN Acknowledgement**

So that we can most effectively communicate the scope and results of our funding support, we would like to know when you are planning news announcements about IDeA awards or program activities and achievements...

When you produce such material, please be sure to identify the IDeA program, not just the INBRE, COBRE or sub-program, and to provide context about the program's goals along the lines of:

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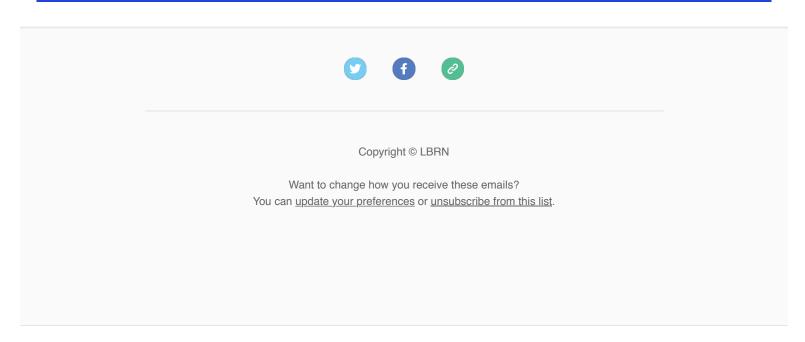
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