

## NUTRITION AND OBESITY RELATED SEMINARS 01/15/18 – 01/21/18

### Current

#### **Adipose and Metabolic**

##### **Adipose Seminar Series sponsored by the Adipose Tissue Biology and Nutrient Metabolism Core (ABM) of BNORC**

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 from 10:00-11:00AM

**“Pharmacological Inhibition of Adipose Tissue Lipolytic Activity Reduces Liver Fat In Absence of Body Weight Change” Cecile Vernoche, PhD**, Senior Principal Scientist, Pfizer

Location: BUMC, EBRC Building, 650 Albany Street, 7th Floor, Room 714

### Upcoming

#### **Epidemiology and Genetics**

##### **Monday Nutrition Seminar Series, Department of Nutrition, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health**

Monday, January 22, 2018 from 1:00-1:50PM

**“Genetic Evidence that Carbohydrate-Stimulated Insulin Secretion Leads to Obesity”** (Moderated by David Ludwig, MD, PhD, Professor of Pediatrics, HMS; Professor of Nutrition, HSPH)

**Christina Astley, MD, ScD**, Instructor in Pediatrics, HMS and **Jennifer Todd, MD**, Instructor in Pediatrics, HMS

#### **Adipose and Metabolic**

##### **Adipose Seminar Series sponsored by the Adipose Tissue Biology and Nutrient Metabolism Core (ABM) of BNORC**

Tuesday, January 30, 2018 from 10:00-11:00AM

**“Extracellular Matrix Control of Adipocyte Progenitor Differentiation and Fibrosis” Matthew Layne, PhD**, Associate Professor, Biochemistry, Boston University School of Medicine

Location: BUMC, EBRC Building, 650 Albany Street, 7th Floor, Room 714

#### **BIDMC Endocrinology Grand Rounds, The Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism**

Friday, January 19, 2018 from 9:00-10:00AM

**“Mitochondria: Beyond ATP” Marcia Haigis, PhD**, Harvard Medical School

Location: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, 330 Brookline Ave, Shapiro 2, Leventhal Conference Room  
Contact Erin Cote at (617) 735-3322 with any questions.

#### **Clinical and Community**

##### **WEBINAR: Creating a Discussion Guide for Qualitative Research, Sponsored by Enrichment Program of Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center**

Friday January 26, 2018 from 12:00-1:00PM

This webinar will give participants the tools needed to create an effective discussion guide for focus groups and key informant interviews. Participants will gain an understanding of how to start from a general research question and develop it into a practical and organized questioning route to receive the answers needed. We will cover all phases of development from brainstorming, to phrasing and sequencing questions, to pilot testing. Participants will learn best practices so that groups and interviews will be maximally informative. This will be an interactive webinar with multiple opportunities to ask questions of the presenter.

Presenter: Sara C. Folta, PhD

Registration required by Thursday, January 25, 2018 at the link below.

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/seminars-events/webinar-creating-a-discussion-guide-for-qualitative-research/>

## Save The Date

### Epidemiology and Genetics

Obesity Working Group Meeting, co-sponsored by the Epidemiology and Genetics Core of the Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center

Tuesday, April 17, 2018 from 2:30-5:00PM

Location: TBD

### Clinical and Community

Harvard Eating Disorders Prevention Symposium, sponsored by program STRIPED (the Strategic Training Initiative for the Prevention of Eating Disorders [www.hspf.harvard.edu/striped](http://www.hspf.harvard.edu/striped)) and Harvard Catalyst

Monday, April 30, 2018 from 7:30AM-5:30PM

### **"Reimagining the Frontier of Public Health Approaches to Eating Disorders Prevention: Transdisciplinary, Translational, Transformative."**

Location: Joseph B. Martin Conference Center, 77 Louis Pasteur Avenue, Boston, MA

<https://www.hspf.harvard.edu/striped/news/events/eating-disorder-prevention-symposium/>

### Cross Topic

#### SABRİ ÜLKER CENTER SYMPOSIUM

May 29-30, 2018

#### **Metabolism and Life**

[www.sabriulkersymposium.org](http://www.sabriulkersymposium.org)

Location: Memorial Hall, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

#### BNORC Annual Meeting

Friday, July 13, 2018

Location: BUSM, 72 East Concord Street, Instructional Building, Hiebert Lounge

## BNORC Programs and Initiatives

### BNORC Small Grants Program

Do you need some preliminary data that can be obtained using one of our cores for a grant application? The BNORC Small Grants Program provides funds up to \$3,000 (direct costs only). The timeline from application to award is 1-2 weeks. To-date, the funding rate of this program for eligible requests has been 100%. Please visit the website for program details and eligibility information.

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/links-and-resources/bnorc-small-grants-program/>

## Other Information

### **STEP-UP SHORT-TERM RESEARCH EXPERIENCE for UNDER-REPRESENTED PERSONS**

#### **STEP-UP Summer Interns Receive:**

- Biomedical research experience during a 10 week summer program May 29 through August 2, 2018
- \$5,000 Stipend
- All expense paid travel to present at the Annual STEP-UP Symposium at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD (July 30-31, 2018)
- Year-round mentoring support and career development advice

#### **Eligibility**

- US citizen, non-citizen national or legal resident
- College student with 3.0 or higher GPA in a STEM major
- Individuals from an under-represented racial/ethnic group, with a disability or from a disadvantaged background

Apply Online <http://stepup.niddk.nih.gov>

Application opens 11/1/2017

Application closes 2/1/2018

Questions? Email: [niddkstepup@mail.nih.gov](mailto:niddkstepup@mail.nih.gov)

## Positions Available

### **Research Assistant Weight Control and Diabetes Research Center The Miriam Hospital and Brown University Alpert School of Medicine**

Researchers at the Weight Control and Diabetes Research Center at The Miriam Hospital and Brown University Alpert School of Medicine are looking to hire a full-time research assistant who, under the direct supervision of the Principal Investigator and the Project Manager, will assist with research related to weight loss for obese women prior to pregnancy, infant weight gain trajectories, mother-infant meal-time interactions, and summer weight gain in young low-income minority children. Specific responsibilities include screening and assessment of study participants, measurement of weight, anthropometrics, diet and physical activity in mothers, infants, and/or young children and videotaping of mealtime interactions. Good computer and organizational skills required. Education and/or experience ideally in a field related to psychology, nutrition, or exercise science and prior experience with clinical research desirable. BA Required and MA/MS highly desired.

If interested, please apply at <http://jobs.lifespan.org/us/en-US/Job-Details/Research-Assistant-Job/The-Miriam-Hospital/XjdP-jf779-ct106221-jid79378511>

**Division of Women's Health and Department of Psychiatry**  
**Brigham and Women's Hospital | Harvard Medical School**  
**Postdoctoral Fellowship**

The Holsen Lab in the Division of Women's Health and Department of Psychiatry at Brigham and Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical School is seeking a full-time Postdoctoral Fellow to contribute to our work in clinical neuroscience related to reward processing, hormones, and appetite phenotypes in depression (PI: Dr. Laura Holsen). The focus of our lab is on understanding factors that drive appetite, mood-related eating behaviors, and weight change, with a broad goal of ameliorating negative health outcomes and chronic diseases associated with disordered eating. Successful applicants will have completed a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. (post residency) in neuroscience (affective, nutritional, or cognitive), psychology, or a related discipline. Qualified applicants must have experience working with clinical populations (individuals with disordered eating; psychiatric disorders), a solid foundation in conducting fMRI studies, and a strong publication record of first-author research papers that includes neuroimaging studies. We are looking for candidates with strong technical skills, including competence in task implementation, pre-processing, and analyzing fMRI data (task-related and resting-state functional connectivity), and with expertise and coding ability in relevant analysis software (SPM, CONN, Matlab, and UNIX/Linux environments). Excellent verbal and written communication skills and an aptitude for writing manuscripts and grant applications are essential. The successful applicant will have the ability to work both within a team and independently, managing several projects simultaneously and training/mentoring research assistants. We are looking for highly motivated, self-driven, creative, and interactive scientists. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, CV, statement of past research experience and long-term career goals, and three letters of references (sent in confidence) to Dr. Laura Holsen: [lholsen@bwh.harvard.edu](mailto:lholsen@bwh.harvard.edu).

**Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism**  
**University of Pittsburgh**  
**MD, MD/PhD, or PhD Scientists**

The Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism at the University of Pittsburgh seeks MD, MD/PhD, or PhD scientists for full-time, tenure stream, academic faculty positions (Assistant to Full Professor) in the fields of obesity, diabetes, metabolism, nutrition, and/or metabolic disease prevention. All types of research in these areas will be considered (basic, translational, clinical, epidemiological, health outcomes). Physician scientist and candidates with cross/multidisciplinary research programs are particularly desirable. Successful candidates will have a history of academic research scholarship, a strong publication record, and a demonstrated capacity to secure external research funding. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three references to Erin E. Kershaw, MD, Chief of Endocrinology, care of Chelsea Dempsey (email: [cad183@pitt.edu](mailto:cad183@pitt.edu)).  
EEO/AA/M/F/Vets/Disabled.

**UAB | University of Alabama at Birmingham**  
**Seeking Post-Docs and/or Statistician for Obesity-Related Research**

**Post-Doctoral Fellows in Obesity Related Research.** Supported by existing T32 Obesity program and through a new Obesity Network Grant from the AHA.

**A Statistician to be Appointed as a Staff Scientist.** Seeking a post-doctoral fellow or staff scientist with strong statistical and collaborative skills to join the Office of Energetics.

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/links-and-resources/positions-available/>

**FACULTY POSITION IN OBESITY MEDICINE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITION SCIENCES**  
**UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM**

The Department of Nutrition Sciences chaired by W. Timothy Garvey, MD, and the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) is recruiting an obesity medicine physician to fill an academic faculty position. The candidate will have responsibilities in clinical care, research, and education related to obesity, metabolic diseases, and nutrition. The position is full-time and tenure-earning at any professorial rank commensurate with the candidate's knowledge, skills, and experience. Interested candidates should apply at <http://uab.peopleadmin.com/postings/2878>

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This list of seminars and items of interest to the nutrition and obesity community is distributed weekly by the Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center. This list is also posted at <http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/seminars-events/>. Times and dates are subject to change. If you would like your seminar included in this announcement, please send the relevant information by email to: dgibson@bu.edu.

