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Monday Nutrition Seminar Series, Department of Nutrition, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health
Monday, March 26, 2018 from 1:00-1:50PM

“How nutrition can impact gut microbiome composition, intestinal permeability and antigen trafficking leading to chronic inflammatory diseases” Alessio Fasano, MD, W. Allan Walker Chai of Pediatric gastroenterology & Nutrition and Professor of Pediatrics, Harvard Medical School
Location: Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, 677 Huntington Avenue Kresge 502

Obesity Journal Club, Sponsored by the Enrichment Program of the Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center
Tuesday, March 27, 2018 from 12:00-1:00PM

**Article Title:** Seattle’s minimum wage ordinance did not affect supermarket food prices by food processing category


**Presented by:** Rachel Bleiweiss-Sande, MS, PhD Candidate in Nutrition Interventions, Communication, and Behavior Change, Friedman School of Nutrition and Citizenship Fellow
Faculty and students in the greater Boston area are welcome to attend and present. Those interested in participating may come to Tufts or join the discussion in a webinar style format by dialing in via WebEx. **If you would like the WebEx invitation, please email Kim Dong at Kimberly.Dong@tufts.edu.**
Location: M&V 240 at Tufts (Health Sciences Campus, 136 Harrison Ave)

2017–2018 Epidemics Science Lecture Series, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University
Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 5:00PM

“Obesity: It’s More Complex Than You Think” Fatima Cody Stanford, MD, MPH, MPA, FAAP, FACP, FTOS, Instructor in Medicine and Pediatrics, Obesity Medicine & Nutrition, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School
Location: Knaefel Center, 10 Garden Street, Cambridge

**Cross Topic**

7th Annual Obesity Research Incubator Session, Cardiovascular, Diabetes & Metabolic Disorders (CVDM) Research Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Brigham Research Institute
March 26, 2018 from 1:30-5:30PM
1:30PM: Short talks from select junior investigators
2:15PM: **Rachel Carmody, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Human Evolutionary Biology, Harvard University
3:00PM: **Rudolph L. Leibel, M.D.**, Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine, Columbia University
4:00PM: Poster Session
Location: BTM 3rd Floor Conference Center, BTM 1st Floor Café Atrium
This event is open to all - register to attend here: [https://www.eventbrite.hk/e/obesity-research-incubator-session-tickets-43444291044](https://www.eventbrite.hk/e/obesity-research-incubator-session-tickets-43444291044)

**Adipose and Metabolic**

Adipose Seminar Series sponsored by the Adipose Tissue Biology and Nutrient Metabolism Core (ABM) of BNORC
Tuesday, March 27, 2018 from 10:00-11:00AM

“A proteolytic pathway for insulin actions in fat and muscle” Jonathan Bogan, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine (Endocrinology) and Cell Biology, Yale School of Medicine
Location: BUMC, EBRC Building, 650 Albany Street, 7th Floor, Room 714
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 at 4:00PM
“Weight change, BMI, and mortality among survivors of myocardial infarction: Analysis of two prospective US cohort studies” Laila Al-Shaar, MSc, MPH, PhD student in Population Health Sciences- Nutritional Epidemiology at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Location: Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, 677 Huntington Avenue, Building 2, Room 102

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Harvard Eating Disorders Prevention Symposium, sponsored by program STRIPED (the Strategic Training Initiative for the Prevention of Eating Disorders www.hsph.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

Cross Topic

Defining Precision Nutrition Symposium, UNC Nutrition Research Institute
May 1-2, 2018
Location: North Carolina Research Campus, Kannapolis, North Carolina

SABRİ ÜLKER CENTER SYMPOSIUM
May 29-30, 2018
Metabolism and Life
www.sabriulkersymposium.org
Location: Memorial Hall, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

11th International Symposium on In-Vivo Body Composition Studies, New York Obesity Nutrition Research Center
June 25th – 27th, 2018
Location: Roy and Diana Vagelos Center here at Columbia University Medical Center
For questions, please reach out to Laura Yasso of CME at LY136@cumc.columbia.edu, or Bridgette Rizkalla of the Dept. of Med-Obesity at BR2496@cumc.columbia.edu.

19th Annual Harvard Nutrition and Obesity Symposium
July 11-12, 2018
Epidemiologic, Physiologic and Policy Considerations of the Sugar Epidemic
Location: Joseph B. Martin Conference Center, Boston

BNORC Annual Meeting
Friday, July 13, 2018
Big Data
Location: BUSM, 72 East Concord Street, Instructional Building, Hiebert Lounge

FASEB Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology: Science Research Conferences
August 12-17, 2018
Immunological Aspects of Metabolic Syndrome
Location: Base Village Conference Center, Snowmass, CO
For more information please visit www.faseb.org/SRC
**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.


### Other Information

#### Mary Frances Picciano Dietary Supplement Research Practicum

The Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is now accepting applications for the Mary Frances Picciano Dietary Supplement Research Practicum taking place on May 30–June 1, 2018, at the NIH campus in Bethesda, MD.

This practicum will provide a thorough overview on the issues, concepts, unknowns, and controversies about dietary supplements and supplement ingredients. It will also emphasize the importance of scientific investigations to evaluate the efficacy, safety, and value of these products for health promotion and disease prevention as well as how to carry out this type of research.

We hope that you will share this information with your organization’s listserv and colleagues who might be interested in applying to attend—especially faculty, students, and practitioners with a serious interest in the subject. The deadline to apply is March 12, 2018.

### Positions Available

#### Associate Director for the East Carolina Diabetes & Obesity Institute (ECDOI)

East Carolina University is recruiting an Associate Director for the East Carolina Diabetes & Obesity Institute (ECDOI) with a strong record of productivity and leadership in community intervention research in diabetes/obesity prevention and/or treatment. The following is a link to the ad in Science Careers.  

ECU’s commitment to growth in this area of research is part of an exciting university wide effort entitled [ECU’s Rural Prosperity Initiative](#).
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](http://jobs.lifespan.org/us/en-US/Job-Details/Research-Assistant-Job/The-Miriam-Hospital/XjdP-jf779-ct106221-jid79378511)

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**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.

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**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 or 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).

**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.


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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](http://uab.peopleadmin.com/postings/2878)

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