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LABS:

Bassell	(415)		
Chen	(555)	McKeon	(535)
Dunlap	(475)	Moberg	(435)
English	(425)	Powers	(455)
Faundez	(455)	Sale	(465)
Hartzell	(535)	Sanyal	(435)
Joshi	(455)	Scott	(425)
Kowalczyk	(465)	Shur	(475)
Lin	(535)	Zheng	(555)

NEW ADDITIONS

•	Tawana Randall, Lab Project Coordinator	Bassell Lab
•	Leila Afjehi-Sadat, Postdoc	Dunlap Lab
•	Benjamin Nanes, Grad Student	Kowalczyk Lab
•	Tracey Paul, Student Employee	Kowalczyk Lab
•	Ryosuke Yamamoto, Postdoc	Sale Lab
•	Jennifer Butler, Student Assistant	Sale Lab
•	Seon-Myung Kim, Postdoc	Zheng Lab
•	Ariel Wise, Undergrad Student	Zheng Lab
•	Jacob Kagey, Postdoc	Moberg Lab

PROMOTIONS, AWARDS and RECOGNITIONS

- 1. Lei Xing, promoted from Grad Student to Postdoc Bassell Lab
- 2. Christine Chiasson McKenzie, promoted from Grad Student to Postdoc Kowalczyk Lab
- 3. Amy Li, promoted from Postdoc to Research Associate Chen Lab
- 4. Qing-Huan Xiao, promoted from Postdoc to Research Associate Hartzell Lab
- 5. Songli Xu, promoted from Postdoc to Research Associate Powers Lab
- 6. Kuai Yu, promoted from Postdoc to Research Associate Hartzell Lab

NEW FUNDING:

Gary Bassell, Subcontract from Florida State University, 1/1/10-12/31/10, "Transduction of biologically active SMN into motor neurons to rescue axon defects".

Gary Bassell, Neuroscience Initiative Seed Grant, 9/1/09 - 8/31/10, "Exploring genetic and pharmacologic strategies to rescue increased phosphoinositide-3 kinase activity in fragile X syndrome".

Art English, Subcontract from GaTech, 9/25/09 - 8/31/14, "A rational approach to stimulating peripheral nerve regeneration".

Claudia Fallini (Bassell Lab), SMA Europe Fellowship, 3/1/10 - 2/28/12 "Analysis of mRNA transport and local protein synthesis in axons of SMA motor neurons".

Ping Chen, NIH R01 DC005213-07A2, 3/1/10 – 2/25/15, "Morphogenesis of the Organ of Corti".

Criss Hartzell, CHOA-CF Research Center Pilot Project, 3/1/10 – 12/31/10, "Colonic bicarbonate transport in cystic fibrosis".

Andy Kowalczyk, CHOA – Center for Endothelial Biology Pilot Project, 3/1/10 - 2/28/11, "Role of the primary cilium in vascular development and sickle cell disease".

Ravi Muddashetty (Bassell Lab)), National Fragile X Foundation Fellowship, 10/26/09 - 10/25/10, "Role of microRNA dysregulation in Fragile X Syndrome".

Wilfried Rossoll, NIH R21 NS066030-01A1, 4/1/10 – 3/31/12, "Spinal Muscular Atrophy: Cell-based drug screens for treatment of axonal defects".

Win Sale, Emory Alcohol and Lung Biology Center (NIH – David Guidot, PI) Pilot Project, 1/1/10 – 12/31/10, "Impact of ethanol on the regulation of dynein-driven motility in cilia and airway function".

James Zheng, Subcontract from UMDNJ P01 HD023315-21A1, 9/30/09 – 6/30/14, "Cytoskeletal regulation of post synaptic structures and functions".





Sharon Burdick	5 years
Jingsheng Gu	5 years
Lisa Sherrill	10 years
Daniel Rouk	15 years
Huronda Smith	15 years
James Cooper	20 years
Carolyn Eason	25 years
Linda Jordan	35 years







Lisa Sherrill

Jingsheng Gu, Erica Werner

Sharon Burdick, Ken Moberg



Daniel Rouk, Rebecca Correll



Lisa Sherrill, Huronda Smith, Carolyn Eason







Linda Jordan

THESIS DEFENSES





Lei Xing: Defense 2/16/2010

Gary Bassell

Bassell Lab



Lei Xing



Ken Moberg, Carolyn Beam: Defense 11/12/2009



Christine Chiasson McKenzie: Defense 2/18/2010, Andrew Kowalczyk

PHOTO ALBUM

New Arrivals:

Congrats to Jocasta (Bassell Lab) and Chris Odom! Connor Gavin Odom, Born February 9, 2010: 5 pounds, 6 ounces, and 19 inches.





Parties:



Maggie Phan, Courtney Crouch



Maggie Phan, Courtney Crouch, Lisa Sherrill, John Scott, Eric Vitroil



Linda Jordan, Beckie Correll, Judy Shur, Huronda Smith, Carolyn Eason



Barry Shur, Susan Summers, Christine Chiasson, Marie Cross, Maureen Powers



Barry Shur



David Dunlap, Susan Summers, Christine Chiasson, Marie Cross, Maureen Powers



Victor Faundez, Win Sale, Rob Lyng



Rob Lyng, Judy Shur, Barry Shur, Ted Pettus



Judy Shur, Barry Shur, Ted Pettus

CALENDAR

B & G SCHEDULE

January 11, 2010 Criss Hartzell
February 08, 2010 Harish Joshi
March 08, 2010 Michael Koval
April 12, 2010 Andrew Kowalczyk
May 10, 2010 Xi (Erick) Lin
June 14, 2010 James Zheng
August 09, 2010 Gary Bassell
September 14, 2010 Ping Chen

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

- 1. January 13, 2010 Abby Dernburg/UC Berkeley (Host: Maureen Powers)
- 2. February 17, 2010 Joel Richter/U Mass (Host: Gary Bassell)
- 3. February 24, 2010 Frank Polleux/UNC (Host: Gary Bassell)
- 4. March 03, 2010 Lawrence Boise/WCI (Host: Barry Shur)
- 5. March 17, 2010 Laura Otis/English (Host: Victor Faundez)
- 6. March 24, 2010 Scott Dougan/UGA (Host: Ken Moberg)
- 7. March 31, 2010 Zixu Mao/Pharmacology (Host: Subhabrata Sanyal)
- 8. April 14, 2010 Larry Young/Yerkes (Host: Victor Faundez)
- 9. April 21, 2010 Frans BM de Waal/Yerkes (Host: Barry Shur) 10. April 28, 2010 – Amanda Freeman/Sanyal Lab (Host: Subhabrata Sanyal)
- 11. May 03, 2010 Carien Niessen/CMM, Cologne (Host: Andy Kowalczyk)
- 12. May 12, 2010 Adam Marcus/WCI (Host: Maureen Powers)



FRONTIERS IN NEUROSCIENCE:

Sharon Swanger, Graduate Student, (Bassell Lab) gave a talk on her research to the Emory Frontiers in Neuroscience seminar series on February 26, 2010.

Holiday	2010	2011
New Year's Day	Friday 01/01/10	Friday 12/31/10 (Actual holiday is on Saturday)
Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday	Monday 01/18	Monday 01/17
Memorial Day	Monday 05/31	Monday 05/30
Independence Day	Monday 07/05	Monday 07/04
Labor Day	Monday 09/06	Monday 09/05
Thanksgiving	Thursday 11/25 Friday 11/26	Thursday 11/24 Friday 11/25
Christmas	Thursday 12/23 Friday 12/24	Friday 12/23 Monday 12/26
New Year's Eve	Thursday 12/30	Friday 12/30

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