Announcements

DOM Research Town Hall: Examining Effects of Racism In and Out of the Lab
Monday, July 13 | 4 – 5 p.m.
The DOM will host a Town Hall discussion for research faculty, staff, and trainees to provide a moderated, safe, and brave forum to discuss the impact of the many recent instances of racism and violence against people of color. We invite you to join us and to share how these challenging situations have impacted your work and personal lives, address where support is needed, and begin the process of planning action step recommendations for the department. We welcome you to take this time to share your perspective during these difficult times. Participants will be divided into breakout rooms led by a team of diversity dialogue co-facilitators to encourage and guide meaningful conversations. Register

Zoom Security Updates coming July 19
Due to a heightened need for online security, Zoom has announced a 90-Day Security plan that includes a new change that will increase the security to both old and new meetings. Learn more

Georgia Department of Public Health Daily Status Report
Here you will find information on COVID-19 in the State of Georgia including, confirmed cases, ICU admissions, hospitalizations, and deaths. Charts present the number of newly confirmed COVID-19 cases over time and are meant to aid understanding whether the outbreak is growing, leveling off, or declining to help guide COVID-19 response. Check it out

Highlighted Resource

Georgia CTSA Research Opportunities & Collaboration Support (ROCS)
The Collaboration & Multidisciplinary Team Science (CMDTS) program focuses on promoting collaboration and team science among investigators at all four institutions and ultimately across other CTSAs. They have compiled opportunities currently available to researchers across Georgia that support clinically-related research. Explore this searchable database for courses,
collaborative funding opportunities, and programs that may be of interest to you.

### RAS News

**Upcoming NIH Pre-Award submission dates:**

- **July 5:** R01 renewal, resubmission, revision
- **July 5:** U01 renewal, resubmission, revision
- **July 12:** K series renewal, resubmission, revision
- **July 16:** R03, R21, R33, R21/R33, R34, R36, U34, UH2, UH3, UH2/UH3 renewal, resubmission, revision
- **August 8:** F Series Fellowships new, renewal, resubmission

*Remember to notify the team of any upcoming applications at least 30 days in advance.*

### Funding & Award Opportunities

**NEW!** This searchable [External Funding Opportunities Database](#) has been compiled from FOAs in the weekly *What's Up in DOM Research* newsletter. *Emory credentials required to view.*
Infectious Diseases Society of America Foundation Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant
Deadline: Friday, July 10
The purpose of this FOA is to support research that suggest evidence of an infectious agent or microbial community is correlated to Alzheimer's disease and promotes novel research in the field of microbial triggers for Alzheimer's disease. Learn more

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) – Identifying the Next Phase of Leadership and Management for the Culture of Health Prize
Deadline: Friday, July 31
This request seeks an entity to re-imagine, lead, and manage the next two-year phase of the leadership and management of the national RWJF Culture of Health Prize. The RWJF Culture of Health Prize elevates the compelling stories of community members and leaders across the country who are working together to transform neighborhoods, schools, businesses, and more—so that the opportunity for better health flourishes for all. Learn more

RWJF Evidence for Action: Approaches to Advance Gender Equity from Around the Globe
Deadline: Wednesday, August 26
The purpose of this FOA is to translate and adapt knowledge from around the world to the United States on approaches that can improve health or the determinants of health by improving gender equity. Learn more

NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER)
Deadline: Tuesday, August 11
The National Science Foundation's most prestigious awards support early-career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization. Activities pursued by early-career faculty should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research. Learn more

American Gastroenterological Association – Medtronic Pilot Research Award in Technology Innovation
Deadline: Wednesday, September 2
The purpose of these FOAs is to support the research and development of novel devices or technologies that will potentially impact the diagnosis or treatment of digestive disease.

NIAMS Rheumatic Diseases Research Resource-based Centers (P30 – Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
Deadline: 30 days prior (LOI); Tuesday, October 6 (Full application)
The purpose of this FOA is to provide critical research infrastructure, shared facilities, services, and resources to groups of investigators conducting research on rheumatic diseases with the broad overall goal of accelerating, enriching, and enhancing the effectiveness of ongoing basic,
translational, and clinical research and promoting new research on rheumatic diseases within the NIAMS mission. Learn more

**Mucosal Immunology Studies Team (MIST) (U01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)**
**Deadline: Wednesday, September 9 (LOI); Friday, October 9 (Full application)**
The purpose of this FOA is to solicit applications from institutions/organizations to participate in a cooperative research group, the Mucosal Immunology Studies Team (MIST), focusing on immune mechanisms and immune regulation at mucosal surfaces of the respiratory, gastrointestinal and urogenital tracts. Learn more

**NIH Director’s Pioneer Award Program (DP1 Clinical Trial Optional)**
**Deadline: Friday, September 11**
The purpose of this FOA is to support individual scientists of exceptional creativity who propose highly innovative research projects with the potential to produce a major impact on broad, important areas relevant to the mission of NIH. Learn more

**COVID-19 Funding Opportunities**

**Digital Healthcare Interventions to Address the Secondary Health Effects Related to Social, Behavioral, and Economic Impact of COVID-19 (R01 – Clinical Trial Optional)**
**Deadlines: Thursday, August 20; Wednesday, December 2; Tuesday, March 2, 2021**
The purpose of this FOA is to focus on the role and impact of digital health interventions [e.g., mobile health (mhealth), teledmedicine and telehealth, health information technology (IT), and wearable devices] to address access, reach, delivery, effectiveness, scalability and sustainability of health assessments and interventions for secondary effects (e.g., behavioral health or self-management of chronic conditions) that are utilized during and following the pandemic, particularly in populations who experience health disparities and vulnerable populations. Learn more

**WHSC COVID-19 Center for Urgent Research Engagement (COVID-19 CURE) and Awards Program**
**Deadline: Rolling Acceptance until Tuesday, December 15**
The purpose of this FOA is to invest in high-impact Emory projects (e.g. in diagnostics, immunology, therapeutics, vaccines, seroprevalence, cohort development, disparities, computational studies and other clinical research) and smaller exploratory projects that can change the clinical course (effectively treat/prevent serious disease) or prevent the transmission and spread of this infection. Learn more

**Congratulatory Corner**

**Colleen Kelley (Infectious Diseases)** received funding from Humanigen, Inc. for a project entitled, “A phase 3 randomized, placebo-controlled study of lenzilumab in hospitalized patients with COVID-19 pneumonia.”

**Matthew Collins (co-I) (Infection Diseases)** received funding from Cellex, Inc. for a project entitled, “Comparison of antibody testing for SARS-CoV-2 between finger stick whole blood and venipuncture whole blood.”

**Ameeta Kalokhe (co-I) (Infectious Diseases)** received an R34 from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) for a project entitled, “Enhancing integration of HIV and mental health services for young Black, gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men.”

*Have you or a colleague recently received an award or grant funding?*

**Recent Notable Publications**

**Arash Harzand, Smah Abdelhamid, Nanette Wenger, Amit Shah (Cardiology)**

Stephen Pastan (Nephrology)

Mary Rhee and Lawrence Phillips (Endocrinology), Peter Wilson (Cardiology)
Staimez LR, Rhee MK, Deng Y, et al. Retinopathy develops at similar glucose levels but higher HbA1c levels in people with black African ancestry compared to white European ancestry: evidence for the need to individualize HbA1c interpretation. Diabet Med. 2020;37(6):1049-1057. Read more

Francisco Pasquel (Endocrinology)

Nancy Collop (Pulmonary)

Events

Fridays at Four
These research webinars are designed to help faculty understand the University’s and sponsor’s research guidance and maintain research continuity in the time of COVID-19. Previous sessions can be viewed here under “Previously Recorded Webinars”. To register, contact Ashley Myers.

Division of Animal Research (DAR) Town Hall Meeting
Monday, July 6 | 1 – 2 p.m. via Zoom
Please join for a Division of Animal Resources operations update. Flyer

Defunding the Police: What Does it Mean? A conversation with Emory experts
Wednesday, July 8 | 4 – 5:15 p.m.
This webinar is will introduce attendees to the concept of defunding the police and what it may mean for our communities. It is designed to provide you with critical information so you can engage in conversations about defunding the police and develop your own informed ideas on the concept. Flyer | Register
What is your professional background?
I am a cardiac electrophysiologist. My clinical research efforts focus on the development and testing of catheter-based and device-based approaches for treating heart rhythm disorders and congestive heart failure. Our work includes treatment of SVT, atrial fibrillation, cardiac sudden death, and cardiac dyssynchrony.

In what division do you work and who is your mentor?
The Division of Cardiology; my mentors include Fred Morady (University of Michigan) and Randolph Patterson (Emory).

Briefly describe your research. Why is it important?
The application of our work directly extends and improves the lives of our patients.

What do you like most about Emory?
My colleagues.

What is your favorite movie or TV show?
'Dr. Strangelove' or 'How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb.'

What do you like to do in your spare time?
Recreational cycling and spending time with family; ideally, combining both.

What is a fun fact about you?
Won a costume contest with friends dressed as the rock band Kiss. All photos have been destroyed.