RTI Messenger

RTI Messenger, Issue 9

Welcome to the 9th issue of the RTI Messenger, keeping you in the loop from the RNA Therapeutics Institute at UMass Medical School. As always, if you have any resources, community-related news, or relevant seminars to share, please email: RNATherapeutics@UMassMed.edu.

Stay in the loop

Virtual Seminars and Meetings
Exploring non-coding RNAs in RNAcentral
February 10, 10:30 am | EMBL, free course

RTI Seminar Series
February 23, 10:00 am | **Julia Mahamid,** EMBL, *Molecular views into cellular functions by in-cell cryo-electron tomography*

2021 RNA Institute Mini Symposium | University at Albany
March 3, 2021 Register›

2021 NHLBI Long Non-coding (lnc) RNAs Symposium: from Basic Mechanism to Human Disease
March 11-12, 2021
Abstract Deadline: Feb 12 Register & Submit Abstract›

5th RNA Symposium | U-M Center for RNA Biomedicine
March 25 – 26, 2021 Register›

2021 RNA Biology Symposium | NCI RNA Biology Initiative
April 14-16, 2021 Register & Submit Abstract›

RNA Collaborative Seminar Series
"Special Guest Seminar"
February 10, 4:00 pm ET | U-M Center for RNA Biomedicine:
Melissa Moore, CSO, Moderna *A timely confluence: the backstory of Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine* Register›

February 24, 9:00 am ET | Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research:
Neva Caliskan
Mathias Munschauer
Link TBD

Missed a previous seminar? Watch on-demand›

The **RNA Center Collaborative** is growing. If your RNA center is interested in joining, email Martina Jerant for more info!

2021 RNA Therapeutics: From Concept to Clinic

Oral Abstract Deadline: **February 26 (in 2 weeks!)**
Poster Abstract Deadline: **March 12**
Submit abstract›

Registration is open!
Early bird Deadline: **April 23**
Register›

Hot Off the Press
Zamore Lab:
Defining the functions of PIWI-interacting RNAs.
Wu PH, Zamore PD. Nat Rev Mol Cell Biol.
To Degrade a MicroRNA, Destroy Its Argonaute Protein.
Wu PH, Zamore PD. Mol Cell. 2021.

Informosomes, East and West, *Honoring the late Alexander Spirin by Thoru Pederesen*

February's Science Café by UMPA

Join us for a discussion on autism and fragile X syndrome and the exciting research, presented by Dr. Isha Jalnapurkar, assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry, and Dr. Sneha Shah, postdoctoral fellow in the Richter lab in the Program in Molecular Medicine. Please feel free to invite your friends and family interested in learning about this topic in an informal setting.

Date: Thursday, February 18th, 2021
Time: 6:30 PM ET RSVP›

Welcome and Congratulations...

Welcome to **Hassan Fakih,** who returns to the **Khvorova Lab** as a Visiting Scholar.

Jonathan Lee, who joins the **Watts Lab** as a Research Lab Technician.

Congratulations and farewell to **Jacquelyn Sousa,** heading to San Francisco for an industry job!

Funding Opportunities

Postdoctoral Funding Opportunities
Continuously updated repository of federal and private funding opportunities intended for postdoctoral investigators.
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GrantForward

The NIH also maintains a list of non-NIH funding opportunities.

ScienceLIVE Outreach Program for Trainees

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Career Opportunities
Postdoctoral Positions, RTI, UMMS:
Wenwen Fang's Lab (postdoc & lab tech positions)
Anastasia Khvorova's Lab
Athma Pai's Lab
Jon Watt's Lab
Wen Xue's Lab

MassBiologics
Manufacturing Associate II, Oligonucleotides

Moderna
Sr. Research Associate, Computational Science

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