

Chair's Column

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Spotlights

Dr. Jim Lee received the 2015 Distinguished Faculty Service Award from the GSBS.

May 2, 2015—20th Anniversary Structural Biology Symposium—

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Dear BMB colleagues,

A short newsletter this month.

Our most important announcement is that Prof. James Lee has received the 2015 GSBS Distinguished Faculty Service Award! Congratulations Jim – you are an example for all of us!

The search for faculty for 2014-15 is coming to an end and I am hopeful it will be a very successful end. We have already recruited Dr. Pei-Yong Shi who will join us in September as Professor, I am negotiating with Dr. Eric Wagner who I am trying to convince will join us as Associate Professor – if all works well he will be here mid summer. We are still contemplating offers to Drs. Mike Harris and Andrew Routh. Hope that by the next newsletter I can tell you the final outcome of these recruits.

The BMB space plan for MRB 5th floor has been approved and is moving forward – you will see many changes on this floor. The space plan for the 6th and 7th floors of MRB are at the stage of discussion with faculty and will be set in a few weeks. Stay tuned. I have not forgotten BSB and that comes next – a complement to the beautiful renovation ongoing for the Sealy Center for Structural Biology.

Publications are listed below congratulations to all co-authors! No grants (that I am aware of) to report....I was getting used to a new RO1 per week....lets go guys!

Best wishes

Mariano

ABSTRACT DEADLINE IS APRIL 15, 2015
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The Sealy Center for Structural Biology celebrates the 20th anniversary of our Annual Symposium. Over the past 20 years the Center has hosted world renowned scientists and leaders in the fields of structural biology and molecular biophysics.

This year we are excited to continue that tradition with an exciting and diverse group of speakers.

A. Keith Dunker, Professor
Indiana University School of Medicine
"Intrinsically Disordered Proteins, Alternative Splicing, and Post-Translational Modification Enabled the Evolution of Complex Multicellular Organisms"

Lewis Kay, Professor
University of Toronto
"Seeing the Invisible by Solution NMR Spectroscopy"

Junji Iwahara, Associate Professor
University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston
"Protein Dynamics in DNA Recognition and Scanning"

George Rose, Professor
Johns Hopkins University
"Conformational Entropy: The Neglected Free Energy Term in Protein Folding"

Susan S. Taylor, Professor
Howard Hughes Medical Institute, University of California, San Diego
"PKA: Dynamic Assembly of Macromolecular Signaling Complexes"

Robert D. Wells, Professor Emeritus
Texas A&M Health Science Center, Houston
"DNA Structure Matters"

20th 1995-2015
Anniversary Structural Biology Symposium
Register at www.scsb.utmb.edu/symposium
QR Code
May 2, 2015
Levin Hall, UTMB Galveston

Publications

Garcia-Blanco MA. *Know thyself.* RNA. 2015 Apr;21(4):525-6. doi: 10.1261/rna.050138.115.

Luke Y Koong & **Cheryl S Watson** (2015) *Rapid, nongenomic signaling effects of several xenoestrogens involved in early- vs. late-stage prostate cancer cell proliferation*, Endocrine Disruptors, 3:1, e995003, DOI: 10.4161/23273747.2014.995003.

April Research Seminars

		12:00pm - 1:00pm Mitchell Center Seminar David R. Borchelt <i>"Proteostasis and the evolution of pathology in Alzheimer's Disease"</i>
Apr 13	Mon	12:00pm - 1:00pm NIEHS Seminar James R. Halpert <i>"Structural Basis of Cytochrome P450 Specificity"</i>
		2:00pm - 3:00pm NCB Seminar Jin Mo Chung
Apr 15	Wed	12:00pm - 1:00pm NCB Seminar Joe Harding
Apr 16	Thu	4:00pm - 5:00pm Biochemistry Seminar Irina V. Larina <i>"The miracle of life: what we can learn through optical imaging"</i>
Apr 17	Fri	4:00pm - 5:00pm Keck Seminar Keck ARC Poster Winners
Apr 20	Mon	12:00pm - 1:00pm NIEHS Seminar Richard W. Kriwackir <i>"Structural States of Disordered Proteins: From Local Dynamics to Liquid Droplet Formation"</i>
Apr 21	Tue	12:00pm - 1:00pm Infectious Disease Colloquium Aruni Bhatnagar <i>"The Environmental Basis of Heart Disease"</i>
Apr 22	Wed	12:00pm - 1:00pm NCB Seminar Dennis J. Selkoe <i>"Protein Misfolding and the Origins of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's Diseases"</i>
Apr 23	Thu	4:00pm - 5:00pm Biochemistry Seminar Ping Wu "TBA"
Apr 24	Fri	4:00pm - 5:00pm Keck Seminar Susan Marriott BCM
Apr 27	Mon	8:00am - 5:00pm McLaughlin Symposium <i>"The Microcirculation in Acute Infections"</i>
Apr 28	Tue	12:00pm - 1:00pm NIEHS Seminar Anil Jaiswal "TBA"
Apr 29	Wed	8:00am - 5:00pm McLaughlin Symposium <i>"The Microcirculation in Acute Infections"</i>
Apr 30	Thu	4:00pm - 5:00pm Biochemistry Seminar Nicholas Navin "TBA"
May 2	Sat	All Day SCSB Symposium <i>The 20th Annual SCSB Structural Biology Symposium</i>
May 4	Mon	12:00pm - 1:00pm NIEHS Seminar Antonella Casola <i>"Role of Hydrogen Sulfide in Environmental Tobacco Smoke-mediated Lung Inflammation"</i>
May 7	Thu	12:00pm - 1:00pm SCSB Community Seminar TBA
		4:00pm - 5:00pm Biochemistry Seminar Bruce Luxon "TBA"
May 11	Mon	12:00pm - 1:00pm NIEHS Seminar Tapas Hazra <i>"RNA-mediated DNA strand break repair in mammalian cells"</i>