

LIVER DIGEST

A weekly update of PLRC happenings

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Please continue to share your relevant accolades (grants, manuscripts, other news) with us, as it relates to PLRC mission, so we can share with all members. Please visit [PLRC website here](#) for up-to-date news, and upcoming seminar and event information. Contact AJ Singh (singha16@upmc.edu) if you have specific questions or suggestions.

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PLRC Annual Retreat; Full Program Announced, see Agenda linked below

The Pittsburgh Liver Research Center will be hosting its PLRC Annual Retreat this fall at the University Club. We are excited to share that our keynote speaker will be [Dr. Sonya](#)

MacParland. Dr. MacParland is a Scientist at the Toronto General Research Institute, and Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto in the Departments of Immunology, and Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology. She is also the Course Director of the UHN/U of T Training Program in Regenerative Medicine. Dr. MacParland has done seminal work in single cell mapping of the human liver with emphasis on immune cells.

The PLRC is thrilled to host **Dr. Anantha Shekhar**, Senior Vice Chancellor for the Health Sciences and John and Gertrude Peterson Dean of the School of Medicine. Dr. Shekhar joined the University of Pittsburgh in June 2020 and is a nationally recognized educator, basic and clinical researcher and entrepreneur, leading all Pitt health sciences schools with an educational initiative, modeled, "impact through translation."

Click here for the PLRC Retreat Agenda
RSVP will be sent out shortly.
Click here for more information

PLRC Virtual Seminar on Tuesday, August 31 at 12pm

The next PLRC virtual seminar will be held on Tuesday, August 31 at 12:00 pm via Zoom.

Dr. Lans Taylor, current PLRC member and Allegheny Foundation Professor of Computational and Systems Biology, will be presenting a talk, entitled, "**Human Biomimetic Liver Microphysiology Systems for NAFLD/NASH Drug Discovery/Development and "Pre-Clinical" Trials.**"

Zoom Meeting: <https://pitt.zoom.us/j/94996033342>

PLRC Pilot & Feasibility Grant Program Call for Applications for 2022

The Pittsburgh Liver Research Center Pilot & Feasibility Grant Program is requesting applications for 2022

[Click here for the RFA
PLRC PF Grant Program](#)

DOM's Annual Internal Medicine Course held virtually on October 21 & 22

DOM's annual Internal Medicine course will be held virtually on October 21 & 22. Drs. McGrath & PLRC member [Dr. Jaideep Behari](#) are on course faculty.

- Registration is **free** for fellows & trainees, as well as all physicians, APP's, and nurses who are within their first year of practice. Contact domuim@upmc.edu for the discount code.
- Costs for all other physicians/medical professionals are \$245/\$145 through 9/9/21, or \$270/\$170 after 9/9/21.

To view the agenda & register, visit > <https://cce.upmc.com/update-internal-medicine-2021#group-tabs-node-course-default1>. Questions? > domuim@upmc.edu

AASLD Masterclass 2021 for Early Career Investigators

"The [2021 AASLD/EASL Masterclass](#), provides a unique educational collaboration of clinical, basic, and translational scientists from leading academic medical institutions from both sides of the Atlantic. Participants will attend a two-day intensive training session designed for future leaders in academic hepatology. The program will consist of academic lectures, interactive break-out sessions, individual meetings with tutors, abstract

presentations and a poster session, and social events to give early-stage investigators (MD, PhD, or MD/PhD, or equivalent) the opportunity to network with world leaders in hepatology. This year's program is hosted by AASLD and will be held in the U.S.A."

[To Learn more and to apply, Click Here](#)

2021 Gordon Research Seminars on Alcohol-Induced End Organ Diseases

"The 2021 Gordon Research Seminar on Alcohol-Induced End Organ Diseases is an excellent opportunity for trainees in labs studying alcohol-associated injury spanning in experience from early graduate students to senior post-docs to meet and build a future network of peers."

[Click here for the flyer and additional information](#)

Post-Doc Positions available

The laboratory of Dr. Mo Ebrahimkhani at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and Pittsburgh Liver Research Center seek qualified candidates for two post-doc positions.

[Click here for more information.](#)

[Ebrahimkhani Lab website](#)

The laboratory of Dr. Samira Kiani at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and Pittsburgh Liver Research Center seek qualified candidates for two post-doc positions.

[Click here for more information.](#)

[Kiani Lab website](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

In-Cycle Grant Opportunities: Research Grant

Alpha-1 Foundation (A1F)

In-Cycle Grant Opportunities: Pilot and Feasibility Grant

Alpha-1 Foundation (A1F)

In-Cycle Grant Opportunities: Bridge Grant

Alpha-1 Foundation (A1F)

In-Cycle Grant Opportunities: Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Grant

Alpha-1 Foundation (A1F)

Limited Competition for the Continuation of Epidemiology of Diabetes Interventions and Complications (EDIC) Study Research Center (Collaborative U01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

To see all NIH Grants sorted by week, please visit: [NIH Guide: 2021](#)

Or click below:

- [August 27](#)
- [August 20](#)

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