

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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The Next PLRC Virtual Seminar will be on Tuesday November 16 at Noon

Our next seminar will be held on **Tuesday, November 16 at 12:00 pm via Zoom only.** Dr. Isabelle LeClercq, Professor of Gastroenterology and Internal Medicine at the Université Catholique de Louvain in Brussels, Belgium, will be presenting.

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

Dr. Samira Kiani attends conference in Geneva - Tomorrow Life

Dr. Samira Kiani, Associate Professor of Pathology, and PLRC member, attended a conference in Geneva organized by GESDA. GESDA is a swiss government backed organization that anticipates the future of science and technology in 5, 10, 25 years from now and offers solutions (www.gesda.global). She sat on a panel with Peter Maurer, the president of International Red Cross Committee and Michelle Bachelet, the UN high commissioner for Human rights and former president of Chile to discuss human right to science. Joseph Maggiore, a Pitt MSTP and CATER trainee, also attended the event and documented his journey by filming through the Tomorrow Life initiative, supported in part by the [PLRC](#).

[Click here to watch film summary through Tomorrow Life initiative](#)

Next Generation Sequencing Workshops

The University of Pittsburgh's Center for Research Computing has been hosting fall 2021 workshops for Next Gen Seq. A variety of workshops were held from Sep 14th and up through Nov 11. PLRC member and Manager of GSBC, Dr. Silvia Liu will presented Chip-Seq and ATAC-seq data analysis and WES/WGS variant calling on Tuesday Oct. 26 and upcoming on **Tuesday Nov. 9th**, respectively. Participants should have/procure an account in HTC Cluster and be on a Pitt network or VPN.

[Click here for more information and to see all available workshops](#)

UPMC Pittsburgh Gut Club 2021 Webcast

The next **Pittsburgh Gut Club** will be held on **Thurs. Nov. 18** from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. **Dr. Jorge Marrero** will present on “**Early Detection of Hepatocellular Carcinoma.**” Dr. Marrero is the new Division Chief at Penn, and his lecture on HCC management promises an excellent program.

[Click here for Gut Club Flyer](#)

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Liver Development, Metabolism, Disease & Cancer Conference - CSH Asia

The Cold Spring Harbor Asia conference on Liver Development, Metabolism, Disease & Cancer will be held in Suzhou, China, and through stream (info TBD). The conference will include eight oral sessions and one poster session covering the latest findings across many topics in the study of Liver and metabolism. Many talks will be selected from the openly submitted abstracts on the basis of scientific merit and relevance. Social events throughout the conference provide ample opportunity for informal interactions.

[Click Here to see the Flyer](#)

Conference will be held virtually and in-person in Suzhou, China on Dec 6 - Dec 10. Abstract Deadline is this Friday, Nov 5.

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." **Friday, December 10, 2021 - 8:00 am - Sunday, December 12, 2021 - 1:00 pm**
[To Learn more and to apply, Click Here](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Bridge Award

American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD)

Gupta Family Pilot Award in PSC Research

American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD)

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- **[October 29](#)**

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