2014 Publications


Chung, L.K., Philip, N.H., Schmidt, V.A., Koller, A., Strowig, T., Flavell, R.A., Brodsky, I.E., and Bliska, J.B. 2014. IQGAP1 is important for activation of caspase-1 in macrophages and is targeted by *Yersinia pestis* type III effector YopM. *mBio*, in press.


Zheng, Y., and Hearing, P. 2014. Both Type I and Type II Interferons Inhibit Human Adenovirus Type 5 Replication by Direct Repression of E1A Transcription in Normal Human Diploid Fibroblasts. 11th International Adenovirus Meeting. July 16-20, San Diego, CA.
2014 Awards


Werneburg, G. 2014. Stony Brook University Graduate School and Graduate Student Organization Distinguished Travel Award to attend the Gordon Research Conference on Bacterial Cell Surfaces. June 22-27, Mt. Snow, VT. $1,500.


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Advanced Readings - Fall 2014 and Spring 2015

The next topic for the Advanced Readings course (HBM 695), organized by Carol Carter, Laurie Krug, Erich Mackow and Ando van der Velden, will be pathogen subversion of host and cellular defenses. This journal club-style class is open to all biomedical graduate students who have passed their program's qualifying exam (please help spread the word!) and will be held at 11am on Tuesdays in the Life Sciences second floor conference room.

Individual Development Plan Program

Students participating in the new IDP Program met for the first time on March 18th to present their IDPs to the group and identify resources needed to achieve short-term and long-term goals. All students working in MGM labs are welcome to join the program. Our next meeting will be on September 23rd at 3pm in the Life Sciences second-floor conference room.

First-Year Students Join (First-Floor!) Labs

Arielle Bryan - Maurizio Del Poeta's lab
Eric Burton - Sumita Bhaduri-McIntosh's lab
Brian Carey - Erich Mackow's lab
Kaustubh Parashar - Nicholas Carpino's lab
Nick Van Skike - Laurie Krug's lab

Incoming Students, Fall 2014

Natasha Medici, M.S. in Microbiology, Universidade Federal de Rio de Janeiro (Fulbright Scholarship)
Erika Orner, B.S. in Pathobiology, University of Connecticut Storrs

A welcoming reception will be held on Friday afternoon, August 22nd - save the date!
Congratulations!

Distinguished Professor and training faculty member Eckard Wimmer has received the 2014 Loeffler-Frosch Medal. This prestigious award is named for Friedrich Loeffler and Paul Frosch, pioneering virologists who discovered the causative agent of foot-and-mouth disease in 1898, and is given to Dr. Wimmer in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field of virology.

New Training Faculty Member

Dr. Bettina Fries, the incoming Chief of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Medicine, has accepted our invitation to join the training faculty of the MGM Program. The research in Dr. Fries' laboratory is in two areas - Cryptococcus neoformans pathogenesis and staphylococcal enterotoxin B.

Save the Date - MGM Retreat

The 36th annual retreat of the Department of Molecular Genetics & Microbiology will be held on Friday October 10th at the Port Jefferson Village Center. All graduate students and postdoctoral fellows are encouraged to present a poster at the retreat.

Additional Source of Funding for Conferences

The Graduate Student Employee Union-Stony Brook University provides funding to support graduate student professional development such as registration fees, travel and related expenses for attending a conference. Check the union website at http://www.cwa1104aseu.com/stony%20brook/professional-development-fund-pdf-info-and-details for last years' announcement and consider contacting your representatives for more information.