



Clinical & Translational Science Institute *News*



Partnering Institutions

- Medical College of Wisconsin
- Marquette University
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Milwaukee School of Engineering
- Froedtert Hospital
Froedtert & Community Health
- Children's Hospital and Health System
- Zablocki VA Medical Center
- BloodCenter of Wisconsin

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Clinical Research Scholars Program (CRSP)

If you are planning an academic career that is focused on Clinical and Translational research, this is an important opportunity for you!

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Applications from all CTSI partnering institutions are NOW being accepted!

Application Deadline: March 31st

Application materials can be found at:
www.mcw.edu/scholars

This NIH-funded program is designed to support the research career development of junior faculty at all partnering CTSI institutions. Most of the program graduates have successfully applied for external research grant funding. Sixteen scholars will be accepted for admission into the program in fall 2011.

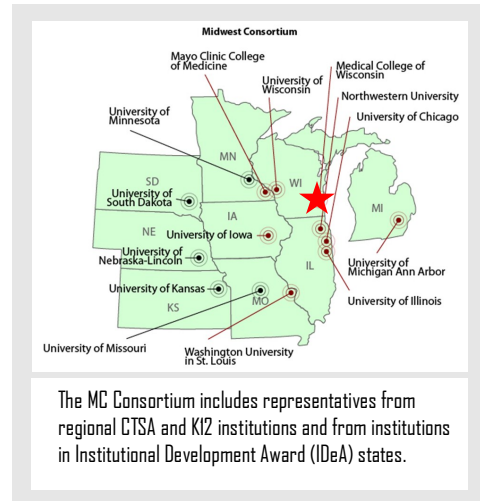
[Click here](#) to view to CRSP flyer

CTSI Joins the CTSA Midwest Consortium

We're on the map!

With an emphasis on educational issues and a goal of sharing resources, best practices and facilitating collaboration, members of the Midwest Consortium (MC) partner to strengthen clinical research education programs, mentoring, and career development opportunities for scholars.

The MC annual meetings are devoted to enhancing scientific research education and collaboration for K12 and KL2 scholars. The MC provides a unique opportunity for scholars, mentors and program leadership to focus on addressing specific challenges and opportunities in conducting research in the Midwest.



**Save
The
Date**

CTSI Spotlight on Translational Science Seminar

See Page 3 for details on this important seminar...

Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Open House

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The Keynote Address was given by Robert H. Eckel, MD University of Colorado School of Medicine



Nine poster presentations were distributed throughout the museum




Small group session "Genetics of Metabolic Syndrome"

Exploring the Metabolic Syndrome Workshop:

Basic Mechanisms, Clinical Implications and Community Impact

A Huge Success!!

 [Click here](#) to view the entire program

The temperature hovered around 5° F on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 as eighty people from all the CTSI partnering institutions attended the Metabolic Syndrome Workshop at the Grohmann Museum - MSOE, Milwaukee.

This workshop was aimed towards investigators who were interested in sharing their ongoing Metabolic Syndrome research, facilitating collaborations among investigators at all CTSI partnering institutions, developing new opportunities for collaboration with community and industry partners, and seeking to identify and promote potential mentors.



Drs. David Harder (center) and Theodore Kotchen (far right) presented Dr. Kissebah (far left) with a plaque signed by Dr. Reza Shaker, Director CTSI.

The plaque read:

"On this 9th day of February 2011, the Medical College of Wisconsin and the Clinical and Translational Science Institute are presenting this token of appreciation for your seminal descriptions of gynecoid and android obesity, your sustained commitment to identify the genetic determinants of obesity, and your leadership as a clinical investigator."



Translational Technologies and Resources Key Function

TTR MISSION

The mission of the CTSI Translational Technologies and Resources Key Function (TTR) is to transform the research environment in southeast Wisconsin by encouraging efficient use of existing technology cores, integrating isolated technology resources into core structures, providing technical assistance to core users, and by developing technology training programs for fellows, faculty, and staff.

The TTR will promote innovation by working with the research community of southeastern Wisconsin and the CTSI Pilot and Collaborative Translational and Clinical Studies Key Function to develop new technologies for existing cores and new technologies that lead to new cores. [Learn more...](#)

TTR AVAILABLE RESOURCES

The TTR seeks to make it easier for the principle investigator to not only know what resources are available to them and their research team, but also to know how to access these resources.

[Click here](#) for a list of research cores and centers within the CTSI.

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Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Open House

Open House for Certificate & Masters Programs

Date: Wednesday, March 2, 2011
Time: 4:30–6:00 pm
Place: [Medical College of Wisconsin](#)
 HRC Alumni Center

Register Today!

Go to: www.mcw.edu/open_house
 (Detailed information sent after registering)

Featured Programs:

- MA Bioethics
- MS Bioinformatics
- Clinical & Translational Science
- Healthcare Technologies Management
- Medical Informatics
- Master of Public Health

Certificate Programs:

- Clinical Bioethics
- Research Ethics
- Bioethics & Public Health



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CTSI Spotlight on Translational Science Seminar

Featured Speakers:

Kevin R. Regner, MD, FASN (MCW)
“Role of 20-HETE in Acute Kidney Injury”

David C. Brousseau, MD, MS (MCW)
“Acute Care Use and Re-hospitalizations in Sickle Cell Disease”

J. Carson Smith, PhD (UWM-Milw)
“Effects of Walking Exercise on White Matter Integrity in Amnesic Mild Cognitive Impairment”

Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2011
Time: 11:45 am - 1:00 pm
Place: MACC Building Room #3075



Registration is Required by March 11th

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Upcoming 2011 Spotlight Dates: (every other month)

- May 17
- July 19
- September 20

CTSI Helps Investigator Achieve Heart Grant Award

Dr. Kidambi to Receive National Clinical Research Program Grant



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“Interplay of Gender, Insulin Resistance and Adiposity on Endothelial Function Among African Americans”

The goal of this study is to determine if subcutaneous adipose tissue protects vascular function on African American women.

Funds from this grant will be used for subject recruitment, reimbursements and part of laboratory analyses.

About the Grant

The objective of this grant is to encourage early career investigators who have appropriate and supportive mentoring relationships to engage in high quality introductory and pilot clinical studies that will guide future strategies for reducing cardiovascular disease and stroke while fostering new research in Clinical and Translational Science, and encouraging community and population-based activities.

I want to let CTSI know that this grant award would not have been possible without your untiring support and encouragement.

*Thank you
CTSI so very much!*

- Vidya

Welcome Additions to the CTSI

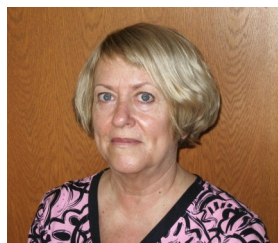


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Carlos De la Pena has been named CTSI Administrator by Reza Shaker, MD, Director CTSI. In collaboration with the CTSI senior leadership team, the CTSI Administrator implements and manages the administrative, financial and regulatory infrastructure for the successful operation of the CTSI. De la Pena comes to the College from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas where he served as Associate Director of the Clinical and Translational Research Center since 2005. In this role, he implemented a new clinical research initiative for the center, oversaw the day-to-day operations of five clinical sites, managed all aspects of the clinical trials office, and managed a \$37 million budget. He has also served as a Clinical Manager for Southwest Medical Center in St. Louis, Director of Operations for La Clinica St. Louis-Community Health Care Centers in St. Louis, and as Supervisor of Campus Operations for the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock.



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The CTSI is pleased to announce the appointment of Sharon Gaynor, RN, BSN as the new Adult Translational Research Unit (TRU) Clinical Research Manager. With seven years experience as a research nurse and a strong background in community nursing, Ms. Gaynor has been employed by the County/Froedtert Hospital system almost continuously since 1978 and served as a staff nurse in the former General Clinical Research Center.

CTSI Links of Interest

Go Viral to Improve Health: IOM-NAE Health Data Collegiate Challenge

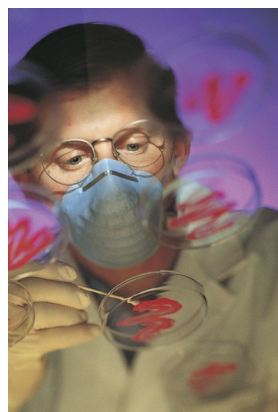
The Institute of Medicine (IOM) and the National Academy of Engineering (NAE) have posted a challenge "Go Viral to Improve Health: IOM-NAE Health Data Collegiate Challenge" to spur undergraduate and graduate students to transform health data into effective, innovative new apps to engage people in various communities to promote action in order to improve health and healthcare.

The challenge can be found at: <http://health2challenge.org/blog/category/challenges/>

Collaboration Opportunities

The Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA) Consortium has established a website where researchers can post requests for needed collaborators to build out an idea or a project and look for opportunities to collaborate with others. You do not have to be at a CTSA institution to post or respond to posts. New collaborations and quicker progress on all projects is the goal.

Click here to learn more: <http://www.ctsaweb.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=quicklink.showCollabOpps>



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37 great years!