

Joint Retreat

The University of Chicago “Digestive Health and Diseases” T32
and
University of Wisconsin-Madison “Metabolism and Nutrition” T32

Gordon Center for Integrative Science – The University of Chicago
929 E. 57th St., Chicago, IL

Day 1: Friday October 13, 2023

- 11:30 Lunch
- Noon Retreat Welcome (Eugene Chang, MD and Rick Eisenstein, PhD)
Trainee/trainer Introduction
- 12:30 PM Keynote: “Effective Mentorship in STEMM: What's Cultural Diversity Got To Do With It?”
- Prof. Angela Byars-Winston PhD**
Dept. of Medicine
Chair, Institute for Diversity Science
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 1:30 Trainer research talk 1: “Modeling Host-Environment Interactions across Diverse Individuals”
- Sonia Kupfer MD**
Assoc. Prof. of Medicine, The University of Chicago
- 2:30 Trainee oral research (data) presentations (3 from each institution)
- 4:15 Break
- 4:30 Panel discussion on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion-related topics
- Angela Byars-Winston PhD and Edwin McDonald IV MD**
Sonia Kupfer MD, moderator
- 5:00 Career Development Skills – mini-talks and vignettes
- Manjing Zhang PhD**
Scientific Analyst, Morrison Foerster
- Vanessa Leone PhD**
Asst. Prof of Animal and Dairy Sciences – UW-Madison
- Leadership focused on junior faculty starting their labs
 - Establishing visibility and name recognition
- 6:00 Reception/Social hour
- 7:00 – 9:00 Dinner and Science keynote: Quadrangle Club - 1155 East 57th St, Chicago, IL
- Edwin McDonald IV MD**
Asst. Prof. of Medicine, The University of Chicago
“Why are you eating hot dogs every day?: Navigating food swamps, food deserts, and health disparities”

Day 2 **Saturday October 14, 2023**

- 7:30 AM Continental Breakfast and Poster Set-Up
- 8:00 AM Goals for this Day and Housekeeping
- 8:10 AM Trainer Research Talk 2: “A short chain fatty acid centric view of *Clostridioides difficile* pathogenesis”

Andrew Hryckowian PhD

Asst. Prof. of Medicine and Medical Microbiology
and Immunology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

- 9:15 Poster session (presenters at their poster first or second hour)

- 11:15 Panel/Audience Discussion – **What career path fits you?**

Kristina Martinez-Guryn PhD

Associate Professor, Midwestern University

Wallace Liu PhD

Gilead Sciences

- Why do a post-doc?
- Career choices – academy, industry, government, administration
- Importance of Life Balance

- 12:15 Lunch

- 1:00 Trainee Research Big Picture (20 min) (Chalk Talks: 2 trainees from each T32)

What is the larger impact of your research? Why is it important?

- 3:00 Brief discussion: Retreat conclusion and future directions.

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