Biomedical Sciences News and Events

Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program Welcome Picnic: June 10

The Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program Orientation and Welcome Picnic is coming up on Monday, June 10... if you have not yet marked your calendar, please do so! We are planning an outdoor barbecue lunch at 11:45 AM on the Graves Hall lawn, 9th Avenue side. Faculty member, Jim Waldman, will provide music and entertainment. We look forward to seeing you there!

Other News and Events

Dr. Wolfgang Sadee Receives University Distinguished Scholar Award

The Distinguished Scholar Award, established in 1978, recognizes exceptional scholarly accomplishments by senior professors who have compiled a substantial body of research. Dr. Wolfgang Sadee was recently named one of the 2013 Distinguished Scholars.
He is a pioneer in pharmacogenomics - a discipline that exploits genetic and genomic factors to understand why individuals react differently to drug therapy. His research focuses on the genetic basis of drug response and toxicity in the central nervous system and in cardiovascular disorders, cancer, and other diseases with urgent medical needs, and on drug discovery in pain management and treatment of addiction.

According to one colleague, "Dr. Sadee has emerged as one of the leading scientists studying membrane transporters and enzymes, a surging scientific field dealing with hundreds of genes, many with still unknown function. His work has succeeded to a degree unmatched by any other lab."

Read more about Dr. Wolfgang Sadee's accomplishments [here](#).

**AU 2013: BMI 7840: Advanced Topics in Biomedical Data Management**

BMI 7840 will be offered in Autumn 2013 on Wednesdays and Fridays from 2:20 - 3:40 PM in 3167 Graves Hall. This course is an in-depth review of the latest developments in the areas of biomedical data management technologies, tools, and middlewares that support translational studies. The goal of this course is to provide an in-depth look at the expertise in the design, implementation, and management of systems used to collect, exchange, store, query, and analyze large-scale, heterogeneous biomedical data sets in order to support translational studies. For more information see the [course flyer here](#). If you have any difficulties with enrolling in the course, please contact BMI.education@osumc.edu or (614) 292-4778.

**Columbus Dispatch Seeking Individuals with Science-Inspired Tattoos**

The Columbus Dispatch (newspaper) is in search of OSU folks sporting science-inspired tattoos. Qualified individuals seeking "15 minutes of fame" should contact Pam Gorder at gorder.1@osu.edu.

**Friday Blood Drive at Ross**

Donate blood at the Friday, June 7 Medical Center blood drive from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. in the Ross Heart Hospital Lobby/Corridor area. [Schedule your appointment online](#) using sponsor code: buckeyes. Or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Those who give blood will receive a Columbus Zoo & Aquarium BOGO entry coupon and be entered into a drawing to win tickets to Zoombezi Bay. If you last donated on or before April 12, you're eligible to donate.

**Fun Fact**

"Jiffy": an Actual Unit of Time

Did you know that "jiffy" is an actual unit of time that is typically referred to as 1/100th of a second. The word 'jiffy' has been around since at least the late 18th century. What it derived from is unknown, but it first popped up as a "thieves slang for 'lightning'". [Read more here](#).