We expand, promote, facilitate multidisciplinary activities in HIV/AIDS research!

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SPOTLIGHTING the SUBSTANCE USE & HIV WORKING GROUP
CONSULTATION SERVICE

For more information, contact Abigail Batchelder, PhD and/or Peter Chai, MD. They will field requests and identify members of the Substance Use & HIV SWG with relevant expertise to provide the consultation.

SUBSTANCE USE & HIV
SCIENTIFIC WORKING GROUP

This free Consultation Service will provide guidance and assistance to Harvard affiliated researchers on biobehavioral and clinical trial design involving substance use disorders and HIV treatment and prevention, substance use assessment, as well as drug testing and basic science related to substance use.

The HU CFAR Substance Use Scientific Working Group (SU SWG), directed by Drs. Abigail Batchelder and Peter Chai, seeks to facilitate innovative collaborations across the HU CFAR research community. To dynamically support Early-Stage Investigators (ESIs) in their pursuit of innovative research in the field of substance use and HIV, the SU SWG has recently introduced a Consultation Service.

We invite those in this field of research, or who wish to learn about it, to get involved by completing this brief survey.

CFAR EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN!
This workshop is appropriate for clinical and basic science researchers from all fields. K99 applications will not be discussed in detail. From the words of some:

"All of it was high-yield! The discussion with the PO was a particular strength."

"LOVED THE TIMELINE."

"I appreciated the behind-the-scenes advice about what happens after you hand it over to grants management and what to do after getting your summary statement. I liked the encouraging tone!"

"The general overview to confirm I haven't missed anything in my planning/understanding of the application was invaluable."

"I appreciated the practical Advice!"

Thursday March 10, 2022 (1-4pm EST)
- (1-3) Program Workshop
- (3:15-4) Administrative Components (optional session)

Your K Workshop Hosts: Ingrid Bassett MD, MPH; Kenneth Freedberg MD, MSc; Jodi Kurtz MS, CRA; Athi Tsibris MD.
Featuring NIAID Program Officer Robin Huebner, PhD, MPH
Inter-CFAR Collaboration on HIV Research in Women

Join the Inter-CFAR Working Group on HIV Research in Women for a report-back on relevant research presented at CROI 2022!

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 (9-10a Pacific/12-1p Eastern)

Register to attend the Inter-CFAR WG on HIV Research in Women Seminar: 2022 CROI Report Back

INTERNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY
The Harvard University CFAR Developmental and Mentoring Core wishes to bring your attention to this UNAIDS Internship opportunity for current college students and recent graduates. This wonderful program comes highly recommended.

The deadline for application is March 31, 2022.

HIV/AIDS NEWS

Updated Guidance for COVID-19 and People with HIV
Since the last publication of this guidance in February 2021, several new advances in COVID-19 therapeutics have provided more guidance on the prevention and treatment of COVID-19, including for people with HIV.

New Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Funding Opportunity for 2iS Innovative Intervention Strategies
Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program-funded organizations may apply for awards of up to $190,000 annually to support innovative interventions to improve health outcomes among people living with HIV. The deadline to apply for funding through the Using Innovative Intervention Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes Among People With HIV initiative, or 2iS, has been extended to March 11, 2022, at 6 p.m. EST.

Researchers Document Third Known Case of HIV Remission Involving Stem Cell Transplant
A woman with HIV who received a cord blood stem cell transplant to treat acute myeloid leukemia has had no detectable levels of HIV for 14 months despite cessation of antiretroviral therapy (ART), according to a presentation at today’s Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI). This is the third known case of HIV remission in an individual who received a stem cell transplant.

South African scientists will study link between COVID variants and untreated HIV
Leading South African scientists are set to investigate COVID-19 and HIV in tandem, amid mounting evidence that the collision of the two pandemics could be generating new coronavirus variants.

HU CFAR SERIES
(all events are Eastern Times)
MAR 2 (4-5pm): First Wednesdays / Bio-Behavioral and Community Science Core Research-in-Development "Multi-Level Gendered Racism and Access to and Use of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Among Black and Latina U.S. Women who use Drugs" (discussant: Katie Biello, PhD, MPH)

MAR 4 (1-1:50pm): HIV Working Group, Department of Biostatistics at Harvard Chan School "Spatial statistics, environmental justice, and equity in access" (discussant: Lance Waller, PhD)

MAR 8 (8-9am): HOPE Physicians Conference "Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI) 2022 Update, Part 1" (discussants: Rajesh Gandhi, MD and Rachel Erdil, MD)

MAR 15 (8-9am): HOPE Physicians Conference "Evaluation of Youth-Friendly Interventions for Adolescents Living with HIV in Urban Peru" (discussant: Molly Franke, ScD)

MAR 25 (1-1:50pm): HIV Working Group, Department of Biostatistics at Harvard Chan School "Title TBD" (discussant: Rui Wang, PhD)

MAR 25 (8-9am): HIV Research in Progress "Title TBD" (discussant: Malika Boudries, PhD)

MAR 28 (12:30-1:30pm): HIV Research in Progress "Title TBD" (discussant: Adedotun Ogunbajo, PhD)

PUBLICATIONS / ARTICLES HIGHLIGHTS
(HU CFAR Developmental Awardees)

*Spatial and Genomic Correlates of HIV-1 Integration Site Targeting* Parmit Kumar Singh et al.

[SARS-CoV-2 Testing Disparities in Massachusetts](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7654915/)

Scott Dryden-Peterson, Gustavo E. Velásquez, Shahin Lockman, Bisola Ojikutu et al.

*Treatment as Prevention – Provider knowledge and counseling lag behind global campaigns* [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6961802/](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6961802/)

Hannah H. Leslie et al.


Michael Lu et al.

*Maintenance of Viral Suppression in Human Immunodeficiency Virus Controllers Despite Waning T-Cell Responses During Antiretroviral Therapy* [https://europepmc.org/article/PMC/PMC7896274](https://europepmc.org/article/PMC/PMC7896274)

Jilg N, Kuritzkes DR, Li JZ et al.


Lisa M Bebell, Mark J Siedner, Julian Adong, Ingrid V Bassett et al.


*Cost-Effectiveness of Long-Acting Injectable HIV Preexposure Prophylaxis in the United States*  
Anne M Neilian, Kenneth A Freedberg, Andrea L Ciaranello, Emily P Hyle et al.

CURRENT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NIH Funding Opportunities

U.S. and LMIC HIV-Associated Malignancy Research Centers  
**RFA-CA-22-011** (U54 Clinical Trial Optional)  
Biomarker Signatures of TB Infection in Young Children With and Without HIV  
**RFA-AI-22-015** (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
NIH Notices Pertaining to HIV/AIDS

NOSI: Research to Prevent Drug Use, Misuse and Addiction: NOT-DA-23-001

National Institute on Aging (NIA) Notice of Special Interest (Administrative Supplements for HIV/AIDS and Aging Research): NOT-AG-22-014

OTHER USEFUL LINKS:

- View all Fogarty funding opportunities
- Search all NIH funding opportunities and notices
- Subscribe to NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts weekly emails
- @NIAIDFunding
- For more, check NIAID Opportunities & Announcements
- NIH Funding Opportunities and Notices (for week ending March 4, 2022)
- NIAID Funding News - Edition February 16, 2022
- NIH COVID-19 Open Funding Opportunities

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