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Update from Dr. David Threadgill, CPI Chair

October CPI News – The Council of Principal Investigators Executive Committee (CPI-EC) met with administrators October 3, 2018 to continue discussions with each of the agencies visions for this new academic year and how CPI can be involved. The call for RDF applications is now posted on <https://rdf.tamu.edu/>. The deadline for applications is noon, October 22, 2018.

CPI Contacts – The complete 2018-19 roster of CPI Representatives and the executive committee can be found on the CPI website at http://cpi.tamu.edu/membership/18-19_membership. Previous membership lists can be found in the council [archive](#). Thank you to all the CPI representatives who have served as representatives for PIs during the past year.

The CPI-EC continues to meet with President Young and Provost Fierke each month, so if there are items of concern that impact the research environment, we would like to hear from you. All PIs are encouraged to communicate with their representatives to bring forward items of concern or interest for the research community. Please continue to bring research-related issues (and solutions) to my attention at CPI@tamu.edu.

Reminder: The next general CPI meeting will be Wednesday, November 14, 2018, Rudder 601. Contact Rebecca Luckey, rluckey@tamu.edu or 979.862.9166, for more information or to suggest agenda items for our monthly meetings.

The Human Systems Engineering Forum – October 17, 2018

The Human Systems Engineering Forum is focused on bringing researchers together to identify current efforts and engage the broader community in Human Systems Engineering in the areas of Process Safety & High Risk Industrial Settings. This should include researchers from Occupational Health, Industrial Psychology, Industrial Engineering, and Chemical Engineering as well as those from other departments on campus (e.g., all engineering disciplines, Computer Science, Architecture, Public Health).

Research Development Fund – October 22, 2018

As a reminder, the fall 2018 Research Development Fund application has been posted on the website at rdf.tamu.edu. The full application for this fall is due Monday, October 22, 2018, by noon. More information is available at rdf.tamu.edu or email questions to rdf@tamu.edu.

Office of Faculty Development Research Collaboration

The Office of Faculty Development will be hosting a series of brainstorming sessions through the fall and winter that can help you develop your idea into a funded research project. Propose and present your ideas, and receive the boost you need to turn a plain idea into a collaboration for a multi-investigator grant. To submit your ideas, email the Office of Faculty Development at billings@tamhsc.edu. The first session of the semester is scheduled to be on **Friday, October 26, 2018**. For any further questions, refer to the attached flyer or contact Hubi Amrein, Director of Faculty Development Research, at Amrein@tamhsc.edu.

Human Clinical Research Facility @ Texas A&M University

If you are conducting human clinical-related research here at Texas A&M University, please consider utilizing the Human Clinical Research Facility (HCRF) that is located on John Kimbrough Blvd. For more information, please find the attached flyer at the back of the newsletter or contact Dr. Richard Kreider directly at rbkreider@tamu.edu.

Online Tutorial on Protecting Human Research Participants No Longer Available

As of September 26, 2018, NIH no longer offers the Protecting Human Research Participants online tutorial as a means of fulfilling the NIH requirement for education in the protection of human research participants. Additional details can be found in NOT-OD-18-221 and in a recent NIH blog post, available at <https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2018/09/07/protecting-human-research-participants-phrp-online-tutorial-no-longer-available-as-of-september-26-2018/>.

Archived course content will remain available on the NIH Research Involving Human Subjects website. Please direct all inquiries to OEP-HS@mail.nih.gov

NIH Clarification of Review Criteria: Rigor, Transparency, and Clinical Trials

NIH and AHRQ have announce updates to applications and review criteria for applications submitted on or after January 25, 2019. These updates include the following:

Clarification of the review criteria by replacing the term “scientific premise” with “the rigor of the prior research” and clearly indicating that this should be addressed in the Significance and Approach sections.

Incorporation of new policy requirements for including individuals across the lifespan as participants in research involving human subjects.

Additional information can be found in NOT-OD-18-228 for research grant applications, NOT-OD-18-227 for fellowship applications, and NOT-OD-18-229 for career development award applications.

Revisions to the application guide will be available through the How to Apply – Application Guide website (<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide.html>) by November 25, 2018.

NIH Funds Available for Current PIs to Address Unforeseen Public Health Crises

NIH has announced that funds may be available for competitive revisions of existing NIH research grants to address immediate public health needs that were unforeseen at the time of application or renewal.

Only applications submitted in response to an Urgent Guide Notice published by an IC will be accepted. See PA-18-935 for additional information.

Limited Submission Proposal Opportunities

The list of current Limited Submission Proposal (LSP) opportunities, maintained by the Division of Research, is available at <https://u.tamu.edu/LSP>. To subscribe to the Limited Submission Newsletter, [click here](#).

Research Bulletin

The Division of Research at Texas A&M University publishes a weekly bulletin about research. The Research Bulletin accepts news items about researchers and their teams from the colleges, schools, campuses and agencies within the Texas A&M research enterprise, including honors, funding, presentations, and appearances in news media. [Click here](#) to subscribe or unsubscribe to the bulletin.

*Ideas are cheap, even brilliant ones.
Make your idea worth something!*

The Office of Faculty Development is hosting a series of brain-storming sessions over the fall and winter, that can help you develop your idea into a collaboration for a multi-investigator grant of faculty across TAMU

Propose your idea to the office of faculty development and present it to your colleagues from the HSC and peers from TAMU. This is a great opportunity to engage in free-flowing scientific discussions and initiate new collaborations that can transform your idea into a funded research project, such as an X-grant or a multi-investigator NIH grant.

The brain-storming sessions will be held off campus on a monthly basis. Depending on the number of submissions, two to three ideas might be presented and discussed in one session.



**The first session is planned
for Friday, October 26th**

Submit your idea

(title and short description -- less than 150 words)
to the Office of Faculty Development (billings@tamhsc.edu)

If you have questions, contact the Director of Faculty
Development Research, Hubi Amrein (Amrein@tamhsc.edu)



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Health Science Center

This is an off-campus, evening event.

Details about exact time and location will follow.

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