**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ROUNDTABLE MEETINGS:**

We have adopted a new format for roundtable discussions. Instead of holding open discussions, we have decided to hold meetings with a small number of participants (~10 people), targeting specific topics. Two roundtable meetings were scheduled recently. Please see below for a brief highlight of the meetings:

**Sept. 13, 2010: CREB AND PANCREATIC CANCER**

Topics:

1.) CREB in leukemogenesis
2.) PKA and Medullablastoma
3.) GLP-1 therapy for diabetes and implication for pancreatic cancer (involvement of CREB and PKA)

**October 26, 2010: CANCER STEM CELLS**

Topics:

1) Reprogramming hES cells
2) Enhancing differentiation of hES cells with small molecule compounds
3) Hematopoietic stem cells
4) Neuronal stem cells
5) Radiation resistance, proteasomes an signaling
6) Heart development
7) High throughput screening

We will continue to hold roundtable discussions. Suggestions for topics are welcome.

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**STT SPONSORED EVENTS**

**Upcoming Seminars/Events:**

**Nov. 23, 2010 Guest Speaker Seminar:**  
**Title:** "Small-molecule modulators of gene transcription: Rho signaling in prostate cancer and melanoma"  
**Speaker:** Richard Neubig, Department of Pharmacology, University of Michigan

**Course:** Pathology M280 - Clinical Aspects and Molecular Biology of Bone Marrow Failure Syndromes

**Past STT Sponsored Events:**

**October 26, 2010 at 2:00PM - location CHS 73-105**

**Guest Speaker Seminar:**  
**Title:**"Hierarchical meso-domain organization of the plasma membrane for signal transduction: single-molecule tracking studies"  
**Professor Akihiro Kusumi,** Professor, Institute for Integrated Cell-Material Sciences (iCeMS), Institute for Frontier Medical Sciences, Kyoto University.

**October 13, 2010 at 12:00PM - location CHS 73-105**

**Guest Speaker Seminar:**  
**Title:** “Biology and Targeting of Leukemia Stem Cells”  
**Professor Ravi Bhatia,** City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center (sponsored by Heme Malignancies and STT).

**STT MEMBERS ON THE NEWS**

**Major Component of Turmeric Enhances Chemotherapy Drug’s Effect Against Head and Neck Cancer**  
**Posted Date:** 10/19/2010 10:15 AM  
**Faculty:** Eri Srivatsan, Ph.D., Marilene B. Wang, M.D.

**Chronic Stress Accelerates Cancer Progression in Mice**  
**Posted Date:** 9/17/2010 9:30 AM  
**Faculty:** Steve Cole, Ph.D., Patricia Ganz, M.D., Erica Sloan, Ph.D.

**Pancreatic Cancers Use Fructose, Common in a Western Diet, to Fuel Growth**  
**Posted Date:** 8/3/2010 8:30 AM  
**Faculty:** Anthony Heaney, M.D., Ph.D.