



An Interdisciplinary Approach to the Prevention, Treatment, and Cure of Diabetes Mellitus and Obesity.

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Spotlight

Division Chief, Mitchell A. Lazar, MD, PhD and three EDM faculty honorees at the SOM Promotions Reception Sept. 22, 2008 hosted by Dean Rubenstein.



Rexford S. Ahima
Mitchell A. Lazar
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Susan J. Mandel

Honorees:

Rexford S. Ahima, MD, PhD

Associate Professor of Medicine

Susan J. Mandel, MD, MPH

Professor of Medicine

Doris A. Stoffers, MD, PhD

Associate Professor of Medicine

Upcoming Seminars

October 14, 2008

Nancy Thornberry, PhD - "New Therapeutic Approaches to Diabetes and Obesity"

Time: 4:00 pm **Location:** 302 CRB

October 16, 2008

Robert Farese, MD - "Obesity and Diseases of Too Much Fat: Mechanisms of Fat and Storage"

Time: 12:00 pm **Location:** Reunion Hall

October 21, 2008

Maike Sander, MD - "Transcriptional Control of Progenitor Cell Pluripotency in the Pancreas"

Time: 4:00 pm **Location:** 302 CRB

October 27, 2008

Cécile Julier - Institut de Génomique's Centre National de Génotypage - "Genetics of "extreme" diabetes; applications for understanding common diabetes"

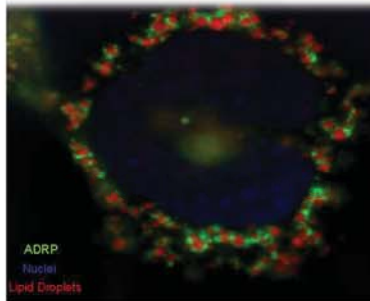
Time: 12:00 noon **Location:** 302 CRB

October 28, 2008

Lei Yin, PhD - "Nuclear Receptor Rev-erba: a Transcriptional Link for Circadian Rhythm and Metabolism"

Time: 4:00 pm **Location:** 302 CRB

Announcements



IDOM Image of the Month

Congratulations to **Rajesh Patel, PhD** from the Ahima Lab for winning the September Image of the Month Contest (shown left). Submit your images to Sherard Graham. The images are judged and the winner is awarded a \$25 gift card to Au Bon Pain. Don't delay, send your image today!

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The Transgenic & Chimeric Mouse Facility now has a new On-line Ordering system for DNA injection, ES cell injection, Embryo and Sperm Cryopreservations. [>> View full announcement](#)

Penn Medicine Awards of Excellence - Congratulations to **Susan J. Mandel, MD, MPH** for being selected as the twelfth recipient of the Louis Duhring Outstanding Clinical Specialist Award.

Karen Teff, PhD accepted an invitation to serve as Member of the Digestive Diseases and Nutrition C Subcommittee of the Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease Initial Review Group, NIDDK.

In The News

Anne Cappola, MD, ScM, authored a study on mild thyroid failure and heart failure risk. The study findings are reported in the September 30th issue of the Journal of the American College of Cardiology.

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Mark H. Schutta, MD, Medical Director of the Rodebaugh Diabetes Center, is interviewed by dLife (Your Diabetes Life) on CNBC and discusses the medical risks for diabetics who smoke, including increased insulin resistance, raised blood glucose levels and damage to blood glucose levels. [>> View Video](#)

How Now, Brown Fat? **Mitchell A. Lazar, MD, PhD**, authored a perspective article in Science magazine about a finding from Harvard University scientists which, surprisingly indicates brown fat tissue was found to be more related to skeletal muscle than to white fat tissue.

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Upcoming Events

October 26, 2008 - JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes

November 20, 2008 - CSRN / IDOM Retreat - "The Impact of Sleep Deprivation and Sleep Disorders on Insulin Resistance"

December 4, 2008 - 11th Annual John G. Haddad, Jr., MD Memorial Lecture

How Can You Help? Please send research news, recent publications, images and awards to [Sherard Graham](#).