CAMB 692 – Advanced Topics in Cell Biology, Physiology, and Metabolism II: Cell Signaling and Metabolism

Spring 2021

Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:30am-12pm

via Zoom (https://pennmedicine.zoom.us/j/96479922312?pwd=ZGFTOWtqZnVoOVZCTWhTbFZmUXMyUT09)

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Cells in complex organisms are required to adapt rapidly in a changing environment. Maintaining homeostasis while performing specialized functions requires that cells respond to extracellular signals as well as fluctuations in a host of intracellular metabolites. This course will cover selected topics and general principles related to signal transduction and the control of metabolic flux in living cells.

Two lectures at the beginning of the course will provide an overview of metabolic and signal transduction pathways. The rest of the course will be student team-led discussion sessions both providing an overview of a topic as well as focusing on important papers from the primary literature. Students will indicate topics of interest to them, and the course directors will assign students to topics in line with their interests as much as possible. Each student will give 3 presentations over the course of the semester. Most sessions will include guest faculty who will attend the class as subject matter experts and pick the papers (both primary papers and reviews) for the class. The presenting students are encouraged to meet with these faculty and/or the course directors prior to their presentations to discuss the topic and papers.

All students are expected to read the papers for each class and contribute to class discussion. Students should also post questions on the class discussion board prior to each session. We expect an average of about 1 question per session from each student over the course of the semester. Two or three students will also be assigned as discussion leaders for each session. These students will curate interesting or relevant questions from the class discussion board and bring these questions up in class if not covered by the presenters. Students will be evaluated on their presentations and participation in class discussion.

Course Schedule

D	ate		Faculty	Topic		
Course Introduction						
January	Tue	19	Joe Baur & Rob Lee	Org meeting		
	Thur	21	Joe Baur	Intro to metabolism (lecture)		
	Tue	26	Rob Lee	Intro to signal transduction (lecture)		
Metabolic pathways in health and disease						
	Thur	28	Katy Wellen	Acetyl CoA		
February	Tue	2	Joe Baur	NAD		
	Thur	4	Zolt Arany	Branched chain amino acids		
[9:30am!!!!]	Tue	9	Celeste Simon	Urea cycle		

Signal transduction by receptors and adapters

Tue	16	Paul Titchenell	Insulin signaling
Thur	18	Joe Baur & Rob Lee	IRS/FRS
Tue	23	Joe Baur	mTOR
Thur	25	Andrei Thomas-Tikhonenko	Aberrant signaling in

Thur 25 Andrei Thomas-Tikhonenko Aberrant signaling in cancer cells

March Tue 2 Mitch Lazar Nuclear hormone receptors 1

Thur 4 Liming Pei Nuclear hormone receptors 2

Tue 9 Spring Break—No Class
Thur 11 Spring Break—No Class

Tue 16 Peter Klein Wnt signaling
Thur 18 Eric Witze EGFR signaling
Tue 23 Kevin Foskett Calcium signaling
Thur 25 Ulf Beier T Cell signaling
Tue 30 Penn Civic Engagement Day—No Class

Metabolic regulation of cell and organism physiology

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April	Thur	1	Will Bailis	Immunometabolism
	Tue	6	Patrick Seale	Brown fat
	Thur	8	David Merrick	Adipogenesis
	Tue	13	Katalin Susztak	Kidney metabolism
	Thur	15	Teji Khurana	Muscle metabolism
	Tue	20	Baur + Lee	Raf inhibitor paradox
	Thur	22	Brad Johnson	Senescence
	Tue	27	Lee	GPCR signaling in immunity
	Thur	29	Baur + Lee	Chat & Course Feedback

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