

CENTER FOR SMELL AND TASTE

News and Announcements

Musings from the Director.....



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In light of the national chemical senses meetings being held in Bonita Springs (Ft. Meyers) in April (see item 3) we will not be having our regular Center-sponsored monthly chemical senses seminar this month. That doesn't mean we're short on talks. This past week the Department of Health Outcomes and Policy (COM) hosted a very interesting talk by Dr. Julie Mennella from the Monell Chemical Senses Center in Philadelphia on the development of flavor sensitivity in neonates and infants, epitomizing once again how chemical senses research cuts across the broadest of academic disciplines.

Congratulations go out to members Dr. David Clark (Environmental Horticulture), Harry Klee (Horticultural Sciences), and Linda Bartoshuk (Food Science) for being the creative force behind this year's Flavors of Florida event held at the old President's House on March 23. This IFAS-sponsored event showcases Florida grown foods and the efforts by the new Plant Innovation Center (PIC) directed by Dr. Clark to improve consumer preference of these foods by enhancing their sensory qualities, including chemosensory qualities that contribute to flavor. This truly wonderful evening not only featured the foods but different dishes made from them by three local chefs. The UFCST is proud to have contributed to the founding of PIC and looks forward to helping foster their creative mission.

This month we're starting to compile our seminar program for the 2015-16 academic year, so be sure to submit the names of potential speakers to the Center office (294-5360) in a timely manner. As you know, we strive to include speakers that address all aspects of our diverse field across the seminar series.

Research Grant Opportunities

- NIDCD Research Career Transition Award for Nurturing Clinician-Investigators (K22) (RFA DC-15-002)
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DC-15-002.html>
- NIDCD Small Grant Program (R03) (PAR-13-057)
Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): February 26, 2013; June 26, 2013; October 18, 2013; February 26, 2014; June 26 2014; October 28, 2014; February 26, 2015; June 26, 2015; October 28, 2015
- NIDCD Clinical Research Center Grant (P50) (PAR-13-062)
Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): February, 22, 2013; May 30, 2013; October 1, 2013; January 30, 2014; June 2, 2014; October 1, 2014; February 2, 2015; June 6, 2015; October, 1, 2015
- NIDCD Research Grants for Translating Basic Research into Clinical Tools (R01) (PAR-14-009)
- NIDCD Research Grants for Translating Basic Research into Clinical Tools (R01) (PAR-14-009)
Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): June 23, 2014, February 23, 2015, October 23, 2015, June 23, 2016, February 23, 2017
- NSF Program Announcement - Cracking the Olfactory Code NSF-15-547
Preliminary Proposal Due Date: May 1, 2015



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**UFCST Travel  
graduate students  
and postdocs**  
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The Center provides travel awards for graduate students and postdocs at the University of Florida on an ongoing basis. We encourage applications from young scientists whose main area of interest is not the chemical senses, but who would benefit from exposure to the field. We will also consider requests from graduate students and postdocs actively working in the chemical senses to attend the AChemS annual meeting or other scientific meetings of relevance to chemical senses research. Please submit requests for support in the form of a letter to the Center office at ufcst@ufl.edu at least one month before the start of the meeting. Please include in the request the estimated cost of travel, registration, and housing while at the meeting, and whether or not you intend to make a scientific presentation. Graduate students should submit letters that are countersigned or otherwise supported by their mentor. UFCST Travel Awards will be governed by the University of Florida

Upcoming Chemical Senses Meetings

April 22-25, 2015

AChemS 37th Annual Meeting

Hyatt Regency Coconut Point

Bonita Springs, FL

<http://www.achems.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3962>

July 26-31, 2015

Summerschool on Human Olfaction

Dresden, Germany

<http://www.uniklinikum-dresden.de/das-klinikum/kliniken-polikliniken-institute/hno/forschung/interdisziplinaires-zentrum-fur-riechen-und-schmecken/neuigkeiten/kongresse>

September 1-5, 2015

ECRO 2015

Istanbul, Turkey

<http://www.ecro-online.com/ecro2015/>

June 5-9, 2016

ISOT 2016 – 17th International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste

Yokohama, Japan

<http://www.isot2016.com/>