

THE M. D. ANDERSON POSTDOCTORAL ASSOCIATION

Presents

THE FIFTH ANNUAL

Robert M. Chamberlain Distinguished Mentor Award



Michelle C. Barton, Ph.D.
Professor, Department of Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology

February 23, 2009
Monday, 3:00 p.m.
Hickey Auditorium
11th Floor, Clark Clinic

Reception to follow award ceremony
in the Hickey Foyer

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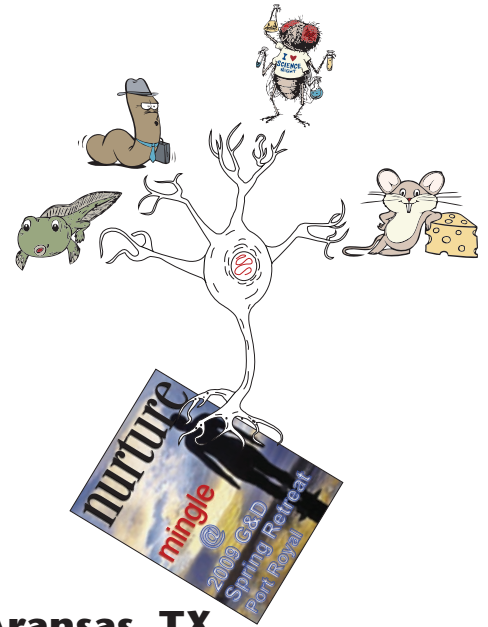


Congratulations, Dr. Barton

Dr. Michelle Barton is this year's recipient of the Robert M. Chamberlain Distinguished Mentor Award. Nominated by Abhinav Jain, she was selected among other finalists across the institution including Drs. Lee Ellis (Cancer Biology), David Wetter (Behavioral Science), Naoto Ueno (Breast Medical Oncology) and Maria Suarez-Almazor (General Internal Medicine).

Dr. Barton will be honored at a ceremony on Monday, February 23. Please make plans to attend!

Genes & Development Spring Retreat



Genes & Development Spring Retreat April 3-5, 2009

Port Royal Ocean Resort & Conference Center, Port Aransas, TX

Sign up at www.mdanderson.org/departments/genesdev by **February 23**

M. D. Anderson website

As you may be aware, the entire M. D. Anderson website is in the midst of a full-scale redesign. The new site, which will be launched in April 2009, will aim to improve usability and effectiveness, leading to easier access to self-service features by site visitors. The site's content, which has increased to about 9,000 pages, will be better organized around what site visitors want to do.

Research in general will have a much higher profile, and Basic Science research will be a major part of it. The overall structure will allow for easy navigation among departments, programs, centers and labs. And although new pages cannot be created while the transition is ongoing, we can prepare to add new content once the redesigned sites go live.

If you would like to begin work on a site for your lab, please look at the Dent lab site as an example for the kinds of information to gather and prepare.

<http://www.mdanderson.org/labs/dentlab/>

Leisa McCord will be coordinating all website creation and maintenance for the department. Please contact her at lmccord@mdanderson.org if you have questions.

Computer



Please continue to:

- Submit Offsite Authorizations for all laptops to Jodie Polan or Gary Cook.
- Obtain a signed Asset Transfer from IT Support or Leasing BEFORE the tech leaves with any AH or CL tagged computer. Then, give the form to Jodie Polan.

Asset Management



We are still conducting the Asset Reconciliation. However, thank you to all BMB Lab Coordination members for helping to improve the efficiency of this year's FY09 inventory.

For those new to the MDACC, Asset Management provides on-line forms such as Asset Transfers and Offsite Authorizations at:

<http://inside.mdanderson.org/departments/asset-management/manual.html>

When filling out the form, Gary Cook is the Department's Property Officer; so, please do not write in Jodie Polan. However, if you need more information about using the forms, please contact Jodie Polan. Once you are finished, please give the forms to Jodie. She will finish the process of obtaining the signatures and submitting the forms to Asset Management.

Mandatory Employee Education Event (EEE) and Tuberculosis (TB) Screening

Everyone in the department: all full and part-time administration, faculty, graduate students, post-docs and research staff take note.

This year's Annual and Mandatory Employee Education Event (EEE) and Tuberculosis (TB) screening are beginning soon. An email from Human Resources will be sent soon notifying the department about the dates and instructions. Noncompliance is recorded in your personnel file and then remediated by Human Resources.

After finishing the online EEE, remember to print a copy of your completion.

The TB Screening is available only during March 4th – March 27th. Remember, that the TB screen requires two steps: the Monday or Tuesday injection and then a Wednesday-Friday post-injection reading scheduled during the same week. To see the full schedule, go to

<http://inside.mdanderson.org/human-resources/employee-health---2009-tb-screening.html>

If you are pregnant, have previously tested positive for TB exposure or will not be at work during the dates listed in the website, contact Employee Health & Well-Being at Ext. 5-6900 for more information.

**Congratulations to
Svitlana Kurinna
(Barton lab)**

**Sylvan Rodriguez/
Cancer Designated
Sowell-Huggins
Scholarship**



Welcome, Johnny I Sylve, IV

Born to John & Andrea Sylve

