

Upcoming Events

Statistical Consulting Workshops

Nova Southeastern University's Statistical Consulting Center is presenting monthly workshops on Generalized Linear Models. The workshops run from 12:00 to 1:00 PM and lunch is provided. Please join us September 26, 2007 for the next presentation on Logistic Regression Models. All sessions are held in the Chancellors Dining Room located on the 5th floor in the Terry Building

2008 Health Professions Educational Research Symposium

Nova Southeastern University is hosting the 2nd Annual Health Professional Educational Research Symposium (HPERS). Last year, more than 120 faculty from across the US and Canada participated in our educational research conference. This year's theme is Assessment of Student Learning in the Health Professions. The conference is scheduled for January 18-20, 2008, at Nova Southeastern University's Health Professions Division. Located on a beautiful 300-acre campus in Fort Lauderdale. Abstracts for posters, platforms, and workshops are currently being accepted at the HPERS website: www.nova.edu/hpers. Deadline for submission is November 1, 2007, notification will be made by December 1, 2007. Abstract specifications may be found at the website. Inquiries may be directed to hpers@nova.edu.



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HPD Research News and Notes

Nova Southeastern University has partnered with the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) to provide an educational certification program for all faculty/investigators and non-faculty departmental personnel involved in all aspects of animal-based research. Researchers involved in all aspects of animal-based research must complete the appropriate species-specific modules before they may start a new project. IACUC applications that do not contain the appropriate documentation will not be approved. Researchers who are currently using animals in their research must complete the appropriate species-specific modules by January 10, 2008. Failure to complete and submit the appropriate documentation to the HPD Research Office by January 10, 2008 will result in the termination of the animal-based research.

Researchers will find the training modules at <https://www.citiprogram.org>. Researchers must add the modules using the selection "Add a course or update your learner groups" to their course listings. Under Question 2 "Do you conduct or supervise studies that use laboratory animals?" check yes and select the appropriate module.

Submit the certification of completion to the HPD Research Administrative Assistant, Ms. Chi Do room 1522A--Terry Building.

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in mid-October!

Money obtained from the HPD Faculty Development Research Grants may now be used to fund travel for the approved project. This item must be included on the budget worksheet. Additionally, HPD research no longer requires a full CV from all applications. A two-page biosketch is all that is needed. The format for the biosketch is found at the end of each application form.

HPD Research Newsletter

Featured Researcher



Appu Rathinavelu
Associate Professor
and Chairman
Pharmaceutical and
Administrative Sciences
Nova Southeastern University

Dr. Rathinavelu has been involved in cancer research since 1992, and his research efforts are focused on discovering new therapeutic targets and drug molecules for cancer treatment. His work also includes identification of gene defects and cellular mechanisms that enhance cancer spreading and drug resistance. He has published more than 30 peer-reviewed research articles, served as reviewer for scientific publications, co-authored a textbook, and given more than 75 presentations at National and International conferences. He holds a patent for discovery of novel assay methods to measure kinases and phosphatases in biological samples and is also currently waiting for the approval of two new patents on the discovery of anti-angiogenic agents. He has served on several committees at NSU including President's Faculty Research and Development Committee, and Faculty Advisory Committee. He was a member of the Center of Excellence for Marine Biology and Biotechnology and is currently member of the Bioinformatics consortium that involves NSU and FAU scientists. He has been featured in the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, *Florida Trends*, and *Horizon*.

HPD RESEARCH APPROVALS—AUGUST 2007

College	Investigator	Protocol Title	Sponsor	Amount
Dental Medicine	Franklin Garcia-Godoy	A Clinical trial to Compare the Safety and Efficacy of Two Marketed Tooth-Whitening Products	Procter & Gamble	\$15,000.00 for one year
Pharmacy	Nisaratana Sangasubana	The Elderly an OTC Labeling Information: A Randomized Controlled Experiment Testing a Perceived risk Model on OTC Perceptions and Choice of Information Source	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)	\$36,881.00 for two years
Dental Medicine	Stephen N. Abel	Evaluation of Natural Human Interferon Alpha Administered Oromucosally in the Treatment of Oral Warts in HIV-Seropositive Subjects receiving Combination Anti-Retroviral Therapy: A Phase 2 Clinical Trail	Amarillo Bioscience Inc.	\$5,750.00 for one year
Optometry	Bai-Chuan Jiang	The Effect of Peripheral Vision on Myopia Development	PFRDG	\$10,000.00 for one year
Optometry	Scott Schatz	Studies on the Efficacy of Multi Purpose Contact Lens Disinfecting Solutions	PFRDG	\$10,000.00 for one year
Dental Medicine	Chun-Yuh Huang	Scaffold Technology Evaluation	Biomet Microfixation	\$53,875.00 for one year

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