

QCB Trainer's Meeting – 8/21/2019

1. Successful renewal (T32 GM131994, funded at 5/6/6/6/6 slots, with 3/3/3/3/3 match) & changes in the program
 - a. Rotations are now required of all feeder programs, and students must have done rotations to be considered for support by the program. Discuss the chemistry solution.
 - i. Current status of rotation programs across feeder programs.
 1. Biology, Biochemistry & CMCB have programs in place.
 2. Neuro has an ad hoc program.
 3. Physics does not currently have a rotation program.
 4. Chemistry has 3, 3 week rotations. A student must complete the rotations in order to apply for Fellowships.
 - ii. Discussion points
 1. Overall
 - a. Students can rotate outside of their home department.
 - b. Students can rotate outside of QCB trainers' labs.
 2. For Year 1 of new T32 – For those students who decided not to rotate during Fall 2019 but wish to reconsider so that they then become eligible to submit a QCB fellowship application, they will be permitted to perform 1-2 research rotations during Spring 2019 to meet this requirement.
 3. Years 2- 5
 - a. Goal is to move to 100% Fall rotations consistent with the spirit of NIH guidelines.
 - b. Follow up: The Steering Committee will discuss rotations. They will need percentages of students who opt in and those that originally opted out but opted in later so that they become fellowship-eligible.
 - b. Annual progress reports: Trainees must complete annual progress reports, regardless of appointment term.
 - c. Trainer expectations on acceptance of T32 funds: You agree to support that student as RA throughout their time here.
 - i. Current NIH T32 annual funding is \$24,816. QCB stipend is \$27,500.
 - ii. Can non-Federal unrestricted funds be used for the top off? ORA confirmed that both the NIH (NIH Policy Statement [11.2.9](#) & [11.3.8](#)) and IU policies ([SPA-11-010](#)) state: "Federal regulations do not allow fellowships on federal projects except on specific training or fellowship grants or other special circumstances as specifically indicated in the award terms."
 - d. Closer association of the training program with the IU Chemistry Career Development Symposium (CDS) held in August 5-6, 2019 (engaging the Walter Center). Follow up: Contact Katie Kerns

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2. Trainee update
 - a. New appointments (5): Four two-year appointments: Kelly Hartsough (Walczak), Liam Scott (Dragnea), Kristen Alanis (Baker), and Yasmine Zubi (Lewis). One one-year appointment: Abigail Garrett (Winkler)
 - b. Yr 2 reappointments (4): Rachel Fadler (Flood), Lily Klapper (Van Nieuwenhze), Matthew Jordan (Giedroc) & Brooke Brown (Clemmer)
 - c. We have now supported 28 trainees from year 1 of GM support (July 1, 2014). Seven have graduated, one left the program, for 20 current trainees in training (12 chemistry; 4 biochem; 2 biol; 1 CMCB; 1 physics)
3. New Steering Committee member needed from MCB or biochemistry program. **Follow up: Members from these programs will discuss and recommend a replacement.**
4. Communicating & encouraging QCB Evening (Oct 7, Nov 4 for Fall) and Watanabe Symposium (October 19, 2019) attendance for ALL personnel in your group. Role of QCB Ambassadors. **Chemistry is providing 5K per year to support this program. Thank you, Caroline!**
5. Please confirm your QCB lab contact with Maria
6. Acknowledgment of support important!!!: Please cite T32 GM131994 for papers co-authored by student trainees supported after July 1, 2019; for those with prior support, acknowledge the old grant number GM109825; for those trainees that cross from year 5 into new year 1, please acknowledge both grant awards.
7. New student recruiting (committee): **Charles Dann, as recruiting committee chair, outlined steps that he has taken to publicize the program during various program graduate recruiting weekends. Index cards with QR code (points to the website) and a large recruiting banner are available for this purpose. We recommend that the index cards be placed in mailers to students who have been accepted into your graduate program.**
8. **The Steering Committee will meet in late September to discuss rotations and top-offs, any formal requests for appointment as a QCB TP trainer, and any other item brought forward by trainers.**