



Mt. Sinai Foundation Summer Internship in Diabetes Research

2009 Program & Calendar

The Mt. Sinai Foundation Summer Internship in Diabetes Research program is designed to provide you with diabetes research experience, increased knowledge of diabetes and its ramifications, and an appreciation for the experience of living with diabetes.

Additionally, it is our belief that as young professionals and novice researchers, you need to begin to build your professional network. The Summer Internship program will afford you opportunities to meet established researchers and clinicians who are actively involved in work to prevent, treat, and cure diabetes. You will also be encouraged to talk to your fellow interns and learn about their research projects and interests.

We are pleased to be able to offer each of you this unique opportunity. If you have any questions or concerns about your 2009 Summer Internship, please contact Suzanne Johnson, Director of Research at sjohnson@dagc.org or (216) 591-0800 x38 or after 5pm (216) 591-0991.

DAGC is located at 3601 S. Green Road, Suite 100, Beachwood, OH 44122. For directions, you may call our office or go to www.dagc.org/Directions.asp.

2009 Calendar

June 15, 2009 – Orientation and Seminar (required)

- Held at DAGC office. Please note that photos will be taken for our newsletter.
- 5:00 pm - Orientation meeting with S. Johnson, Director of Research & IT
- 5:30 pm – Seminar with DAGC Educator
 - Topic – Diabetes 101 and Nutrition
 - Dinner will be provided (pizza & salad)
- Seminars are informal meetings (approximately 1 - 1.5 hour) intended to provide a broad understanding of various aspects of diabetes. Generally, there is a 45 min. presentation and a 15 min. question period. Dinner is provided.

Optional (but strongly encouraged) conferences/ seminars – TBA

You will be notified of opportunities to attend presentations, Grand Rounds, and informal seminars at the local institutions (Cleveland Clinic Foundation, University Hospitals of Cleveland, MetroHealth Medical Center, and Case School of Medicine) as available.

June 22, 2009 – Seminar - (required)

- Held at DAGC office.
- 5:30 pm – Seminar with Timothy Kern, PhD, Professor of Medicine (Clinical & Molecular Endocrinology) and Director of the Center for Diabetes Research
 - Topic – Diabetic Retinopathy & Overview of Diabetes Complications
- Dinner will be provided (pizza & salad)

June 29, 2009 – Seminar - (required) - TBA

July 6, 2009 – Seminar (required)

- Held at DAGC office.
- 5:30 pm – Seminar with Jeffrey Schelling, MD, Director, Division of Nephrology and Hypertension, MetroHealth Medical Center
 - Topic – Diabetic Nephropathy
- Dinner will be provided (pizza & salad)

July 13, 2009 – Seminar (required)

- Held at DAGC office.
- 6:00 pm – Seminar with Patrick M. Catalano, MD, Professor and Chair, Reproductive Biology, Case Western Reserve University at MetroHealth Medical Center
 - Topic – Diabetes and Pregnancy
- Dinner will be provided (pizza & salad)

July 20, 2009 – Seminar (required)

- Held at DAGC office.
- 5:30 pm – Seminar with Michael Weiss, MD, PhD, Chair of Biochemistry, Case School of Medicine and Chair, DAGC Research Committee
 - Topic – Insulin formulations & mechanism of action
- Dinner will be provided (pizza & salad)

July 27, 2009 – Day at Camp Ho Mita Koda (required)

- Directions to and information about Camp Ho Mita Koda - one of the oldest camps in the world for children with diabetes – is located at www.camphomitakoda.org
- While at camp, you will have the opportunity to interact with the campers, directors, and staff who make the camp work. You may conduct some informal “experiments”, work in the dispensary, engage in some of the campers’ activities – and have some fun.
- Casual dress – please prepare for the weather. Bring bathing suits and towels if you would like to join the campers in the pool.

August 12, 2009 – Final Presentations & Program Evaluation at the DDRI Quarterly Meeting (required)

- 5:45 – 8:30 pm – Clarion Hotel, Beachwood
- Final presentation of your project will be in PowerPoint format. Please limit your talk to 10 minutes. The talk should be prepared so that the lay audience as well as the professional attendees might understand what you did and the implications of the research.
- Sponsors and lab members are encouraged to attend.
- Program evaluation form may be turned in at this time or mailed at a later date. The deadline for evaluations by both Summer Interns and Sponsors is September 5, 2009.

November 13, 2009 – Annual Diabetes Research Symposium (optional)

- All interns are invited to attend.
- Summer Interns and their sponsors are encouraged to submit a poster related to their summer project for display at the Symposium.
 - If unable to present a poster, you may submit a poster abstract for inclusion in the program syllabus.