

Collaborating for the Advancement of Interdisciplinary Research in Benign Urology

ANNUAL CAIRIBU MEETING

Nov. 29-Dec. 1, 2023

Every person must register to attend: [HERE](#)
Submit abstracts by October 20: [HERE](#)
Reserve hotel rooms: [HERE](#)



Kansas City, MO
Marriott Kansas City Downtown

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
November 29, November 30, December 1

WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CAIRIBU MEETING?

All CAIRIBU Community investigators and trainees from currently-funded U54 O'Brien Centers, P20 FORWARD Centers, P20 Exploratory Centers, and K12 Career Development Programs are required to participate. NIDDK Program Officers affiliated with the CAIRIBU Community will also be there.

WHO MAY SUBMIT ABSTRACTS?

Early-Stage Investigators (defined by NIH as those within 10 years of their terminal degree) are encouraged to submit abstracts. Students and other trainees are specifically encouraged to submit. Abstract preparation instructions AND link to upload available [HERE](#). Posters will be presented during poster session Wed., Nov. 29.

Abstract deadline: Friday, October 20, 2023

WHAT'S ON THE MEETING PROGRAM?

- Investigators and trainees from **George M. O'Brien Urology Cooperative Research Centers** will present their most recent research findings (*Columbia University, Stanford University, and UW-Madison*)
- Hear from K12 Scholars at **CAIRIBU KURe and KUroEpi Programs** (*Duke University, UW-Madison, University of Michigan, and UCSF-Kaiser Permanente*)
- Learn about the research at **P20 Urology Exploratory and P20 FORWARD Centers** (*Beaumont College-Oakland University, Duke University, Mayo Clinic*)
- Hear from invited speakers **Mark Nelson, PhD** (University of Vermont), **Dolores Lamb, PhD** (Weill Cornell Medicine), **Charles Scales, Jr, MD, MSHS** (Duke University), **Michael Bailey, PhD** (University of Washington), and **Whitney Sweeney, PhD** (UW-Madison Institute for Clinical and Translational Research)

- Participate in CAIRIBU-style interactions sessions and discussions
- Enjoy friendly competition in the form of "Wheel of Urology" and CAIRIBU Cornhole
- [CAIRIBU meeting outline](#) [HERE](#)

IS THERE A PRE-MEETING FOR TRAINEES AGAIN THIS YEAR?

Yes - Wed., Nov. 29, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM. Once again organized by a committee of trainees and ESIs, agenda includes a mock grant review session and **Dr. Aruna Sarma's course on Epidemiology and Biostatistics in Non-Malignant Genitourinary Research**

- Pre-meeting program information [HERE](#) | Register for the pre-meeting [HERE](#) (free)

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION?

Registration is \$250 per person, payable when you register, and includes coffee and light refreshments during breaks each morning and afternoon, Wednesday dinner, Thursday breakfast and lunch, and Friday breakfast.

- Thursday dinner is on your own; the CAIRIBU Interactions Core is organizing small group dinners at local Kansas City restaurants for those interested

WILL OTHERS PARTICIPATE?

Investigators and trainees from previously-funded CAIRIBU Community Centers and Programs, as well as those from the broader urologic research community, are strongly encouraged to participate.

Financial support from the CAIRIBU Interactions Core is available for a limited number of trainees. Those selected will be reimbursed after the CAIRIBU meeting upon approval of receipts and other documentation. **The deadline for applying is October 12**; request an application from CAIRIBU@urology.wisc.edu. Applicants must submit an abstract and plan to attend the meeting from beginning to end. Although all trainees may apply, funds will be prioritized for trainees not affiliated with currently-funded CAIRIBU U54 and P20 Centers; trainees from funded Centers should be supported by their Centers to participate in the CAIRIBU meeting. Examples of trainees whose applications will be prioritized include:

1. Students/trainees working with current and former CAIRIBU K12 Scholars and with current and former O'Brien Center Opportunity Pool Award recipients
2. Students working with investigators (particularly ESIs) from institutions not currently affiliated with CAIRIBU
3. Students from summer undergraduate urology/genitourinary research programs

TRAINEES AND ESIs

CAIRIBU ARCTICS Community Forum



WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11 (virtual)
1:00 PM Eastern (12 PM Central | 10 AM Pacific)
 Zoom link available [HERE](#)

ARCTICS = Advancing the Research Capacity of Trainees and Invigators at Early-Career Stages

Fundamentals of the NIH Grants Process

Dr. Christopher Mullins, Program Director of the NIDDK Division of Kidney, Urologic & Hematologic Diseases and Project Scientist for the CAIRIBU Urology Centers Program, will walk participants step-by-step through application preparation, writing, submission, and grant review process. Zoom link available on the CAIRIBU website [HERE](#).

Monthly (virtual) CAIRIBU ARCTICS Community forums are scheduled through the end of 2023 - more information [HERE](#)

TRAINEE-FOCUSED PROGRAMMING AT THE



ANNUAL CAIRIBU MEETING

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 29

8:00 AM to 12:00 PM | Kansas City Marriott
Downtown

(immediately preceding the start of the CAIRIBU Meeting

at 12:30 PM)

The annual CAIRIBU Trainee and Early-Stage Investigator Pre-Meeting is one of the most popular aspects of the annual CAIRIBU Meeting. This year is our 4th annual pre-meeting and features a mock grant review session. **Participate in (or observe) discussion and ranking of real research grant proposals.** Mock reviewers will review abbreviated research proposals prior to the meeting and then engage in face-to-face discussion about them just like in real NIH study sections. Established investigators and mentors will lead the session: Tracy Rankin, PhD, MPH (NIDDK Deputy Director, KUH); Charles Scales, Jr., MD (PI, Urinary Stone Disease Coordinating Center); and Chad Vezina, PhD (PI, UW-Madison K12 KURe Program and Co-PI, R25 Summer Program for Undergraduate Research). More info [HERE](#).

Also, take your pick of 2 courses:

1. *Epidemiology and Biostatistics in Non-Malignant Genitourinary Research* (led by Aruna Sarma, PhD, MHA, PI of the University of Michigan KUroEpi Program)
2. *Integrating Team Science into Graduate, Postdoctoral, and Early Career Research Training* (led by Whitney Sweeney, PhD, Scientist, UW-Madison Institute for Clinical and Translational Science)

Register for the 4th annual pre-meeting for trainees and ESIs at the CAIRIBU Meeting [HERE](#) (it's free).

CAIRIBU RESEARCH



Stanford University
George M. O'Brien
Urology Research
Center Symposium

THURSDAY, OCT. 19

In-person on the Stanford University campus

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Pacific Time

(start times for other time zones: 12:00 PM Eastern | 11:00 AM Central)

Led by PI **James Brooks, MD**, the Stanford University U54 O'Brien Center has planned a day-long symposium to showcase its O'Brien Center benign prostate research and to hear from investigators from other CAIRIBU O'Brien Centers ([University of Wisconsin-Madison](#) and [Columbia University](#)) who are engaged in both non-malignant bladder and prostate research. **The symposium is HYBRID, meaning that there are both in-person and virtual participation options.** Speakers include:

- Philip Beachy, PhD (Stanford University)
- Amy Dobberfuhr, MD (Stanford University)
- Cathy Mendelsohn, PhD (Columbia University)
- Kris Prado, MD (Stanford University)
- Larry Baskin, MD (University of California San Francisco)
- Jonathan Pollack, MD, PhD (Stanford University)
- Robert West, MD, PhD (Stanford University)
- William Ricke, PhD (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
- Michael Angelo, MD, PhD (Stanford University)

Go [HERE](#) for more information and to request a link to participate virtually

Urobiome Research Interest Group Monthly Virtual Research Hours



The [CAIRIBU Urobiome Research Interest Group](#) (U-RIG) is a group of collaborative-minded investigators and clinicians from a variety of disciplines interested in advancing science related to urinary microbiota and urinary tract health and function. **Recognizing that research collaborations are not possible without the exchange of knowledge**, the CAIRIBU U-RIG has organized virtual "research hours" to bridge the gaps in urobiome research and foster collaborations. Each hour will feature 1-2 urobiome investigators who describe their work followed by dedicated time for group discussion, enabling participants to identify promising areas for interactions with the potential to drive novel transformative research. Each research hour will be recorded and archived on the [CAIRIBU YouTube page](#).

CAIRIBU U-RIG Research Hour #2

Friday, Oct. 20 (virtual)

3:00 PM Eastern (2:00 PM Central | 12:00 PM Pacific)

Zoom link available [HERE](#)

Featuring:

- **Catherine Putonti, PhD**, Professor and Associate Dean for Interdisciplinary Initiatives and Academic Innovation, Loyola University Chicago

The CAIRIBU U-RIG Research Hour, organized by **Nicole De Nisco, PhD** and **Michael Neugent, PhD** (UT Dallas), is an ongoing monthly series taking place on the third Friday of every month from September 2023 to April 2024. Each installment will bring fresh insights, knowledgeable speakers, and ample opportunities for networking and collaborative research leading to new grant proposals.

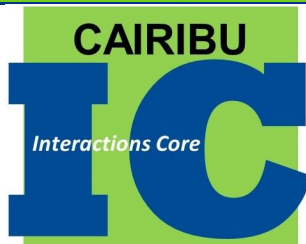
CAIRIBU K12 Scholars



Michael Odom, MD, K12 Scholar in the [KURe Multidisciplinary Urologic Research Career Development Program at Duke University](#) (PI, Cindy Amundsen, MD) will present his research at the annual [Society for Pelvic Research](#) meeting as one of the top-10 rated abstracts. The title of Dr. Odom's presentation is "Testosterone contributes more to the development of diabetic bladder dysfunction in type 1 diabetic male mice than hyperglycemia." Congratulations, Mike!

Other CAIRIBU-affiliated presenters at the SPR meeting, December 8-9 in Savannah, GA (info [HERE](#)), include **William Ricke, PhD** (PI, UW-Madison Madison Urology O'Brien Center) and **Indira Mysorekar, PhD** (PI of a prior CAIRIBU P20 Urology Exploratory Center at Washington University).

CAIRIBU PROGRESS SURVEY



The **CAIRIBU Interactions Core** collects data twice yearly to understand the impact of CAIRIBU Community research efforts and interactions, grant proposals, funding, publications, and engagement. The overall goal is to use these data to improve efforts to enhance and foster inter-center/program interactions. Investigators affiliated with currently funded CAIRIBU sites, former K12 scholars, and former Opportunity Pool recipients should complete the survey.

EVERYONE in currently-funded CAIRIBU Centers and Programs, INCLUDING STUDENTS AND OTHER TRAINEES, should complete this survey twice a year; [check your email for survey link](#) or contact CAIRIBU@urology.wisc.edu



UROLOGY RESEARCH FUNDING



ISAC Awards

The Innovative Science Accelerator Program accepts 3-page essays describing your research proposal. The program aims to provide seed funding for exceptionally innovative, disruptive (high-risk/high-reward) research relevant to KUH research communities. Applicants may request up to \$100,000 Total Costs (Directs + Indirects). **Next application deadline is December 15, 2023.** More information [HERE](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 6: [Mayo Clinic CAIRIBU FORWARD P20 Center Symposium](#) (Rochester, MN & virtual)
- Oct 11: [CAIRIBU ARCTICS Community Forum](#), The NIH Grants Process (virtual, 1 PM Eastern)
- Oct 12: [CAIRIBU O'Brien Center Leaders Meeting](#) (virtual, 4 PM Eastern)
- Oct 14-18: [American Society for Reproductive Medicine Annual Meeting](#) (New Orleans, LA)
- Oct 19: [Stanford University CAIRIBU O'Brien Center Symposium](#), (Palo Alto, CA & virtual option)
- Oct 20: [CAIRIBU Meeting abstract deadline](#); more info [HERE](#)
- Oct 26: [GUD Club Virtual Journal Club](#) (virtual, 4 PM Eastern)

- Nov 8: [CAIRIBU ARCTICS Community Forum](#), NIDDK Grant Mechanisms (virtual, 1 PM Eastern)
- Nov 9: [CAIRIBU Community Leaders Meeting](#) (virtual, 4 PM Eastern)
- Nov 9-11: [Society for Basic Urologic Research annual meeting](#) (San Antonio, TX)
- Nov 15: [CAIRIBU Graduate Student Seminars](#), Junqin Chen, Duke P20 Center (virtual, 2 PM Eastern)
- Nov 17: [CAIRIBU Urobiome Research Interest Group Research Hour](#), (virtual, 3 PM Eastern)
- Nov 29-Dec 1: [CAIRIBU Annual Meeting](#) (Kansas City, MO)

Check the [EVENTS LISTING](#) on the CAIRIBU website for updates and other announcements



Events, Jobs, News

Check the [CAIRIBU Kiosk](#) frequently for updates. Are you an investigator looking for a postdoc or fellow? **Let the CAIRIBU Interactions Core know.** We will post it on the website and use CAIRIBU social media to promote it.



HAVE YOU READ?

Are you reading the newest publications from investigators and trainees in the CAIRIBU Community? We update this monthly; it's available on the CAIRIBU website [HERE](#).



HAVE YOU WATCHED?

The [CAIRIBU YouTube Channel](#) features videos from CAIRIBU K12 Scholar seminars, CAIRIBU Catalyst Conversations, CAIRIBU ARCTICS forums, and MORE.



Email the CAIRIBU Interactions Core

George M. O'Brien (U54) Urology Cooperative Research Centers Program

- University of Wisconsin-Madison (2014-2019 and 2019-2024)
- Columbia University (2014-2019 and 2020-2025)
- Stanford University (2021-2026)

Multidisciplinary Urologic Research (KURe) Career Development Programs (K12)

- Duke University
- University of Wisconsin-Madison

Urological Epidemiology (KUroEpi) Institutional Research Career Development Programs (K12)

- University of California San Francisco-Kaiser Permanente
- University of Michigan

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FORWARD P20 Urology Centers

- Mayo Clinic Rochester (2022-2025)
- Duke University (2022-2025)

Exploratory Centers (P20) for Interdisciplinary Research in Benign Urology

- Michigan Interdisciplinary Center for Urology Research and Education (MI-CURE) (2021-2023)
- Children's Hospital of Philadelphia-University of Pennsylvania (2020-2022)
- Medical College of Wisconsin (2020-2022)
- University of Alabama at Birmingham (2018-2020 and 2020-2022)

NIDDK Program Officers

Chris Mullins, PhD, Project Scientist
Deepak Nihalani, PhD, Program Official

Links to websites for CAIRIBU Centers and Programs are on the CAIRIBU website [HERE](#)

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CAIRIBU is a community of NIDDK-funded Centers and Programs whose overarching objectives are to address the gaps in knowledge related to epidemiology, etiology, development, progression, and expression of benign urologic conditions and to train the next generation of leaders in benign urology research

Learn More Here