

BC793: Tuesday Noon Seminar Series

The purpose of this seminar series is to practice giving (and listening to) scientific presentations. **For all non-3rd and 4th year PhD students**, your only obligation is to attend each seminar, and complete an evaluation form each week. **For all 3rd and 4th year PhD students**, in addition to attending the seminars and completing an evaluation, your task is to prepare and deliver a presentation, as described below. For your chosen topic (see below), you will create a presentation that provides a thorough background, and discusses a recent article from the primary literature.

For each presentation (3rd and 4th year students) the speaker (see schedule below) will present the background, as well as their chosen paper from the primary literature. The entire talk should be approximately 35-45 minutes long.

The primary research article should adhere to the guidelines (see below) and be published in a peer-reviewed journal (although the journal need not be “high impact” *per se*, the article should be).

The theme is “***Any recent BMB-relevant paper outside my field*”, and papers should be chosen based on the following criteria:**

1. The paper must use primarily biochemical and/or molecular biological tools (*i.e.*, be BMB-relevant).
2. The paper must have been published in the last 1 year.

To avoid potential overlap with your fellow students, **please choose your paper at least one week before you are scheduled to present, and email it to me** (Steven.Markus@colostate.edu).

If you experience difficulty picking a suitable paper, please come see me.

Each of you not presenting will fill out an evaluation sheet. After the presentation, all other students (not presenting) will turn in their evaluation sheet. I'll compile them and give them to the speaker.

All 3rd and 4th year PhD students will convene for 5-10 minutes after each talk and each student will give feedback to the speaker. I would suggest starting out with positive comments and then provide constructive criticisms or helpful suggestions next.

Everyone is required to attend all of the seminars. You are permitted to miss one seminar without consequence. If you need to miss a 2nd seminar, you will be required to write a one-page synopsis of the paper that was presented that day. However, if you miss more than two seminars, you will have an “unsatisfactory progress” put in your graduate student file. So, please do your best to come to all the seminars!

****E-mail me and Tim an abstract of your presentation by the FRIDAY before you present** (Timothy.David@colostate.edu).

Important information for students:

Masks are required inside university buildings. You must also meet university vaccine or exemption requirements.

All students are expected and required to report to the COVID Reporter (<https://covid.colostate.edu/reporter/>) **when:**

- You suspect you have symptoms of COVID, regardless of whether or not you are vaccinated and even if your symptoms are mild
- You have tested positive for COVID through a non-CSU testing site, such as home test or test at a pharmacy
- You believe you may have been exposed to COVID go to the COVID Reporter and follow the guidance under “I believe I have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19.” This guidance will depend upon your individual circumstances

You will not be penalized in any way for reporting symptoms or concerns.

Do not ask me as your instructor to report for you. It is your responsibility to report through the COVID Reporter promptly.

As your instructor I may not ask you about vaccination status or if you have COVID but you may freely volunteer to send me information from a public health official - if you have been asked to isolate or quarantine.

When you complete the COVID Reporter, the CSU Public Health office is notified. Once notified, that office will contact you and, depending upon each situation, will conduct contact tracing, initiate any necessary public health requirements and notify you if you need to take any steps.

If you do not have internet access to fill out the online COVID-19 Reporter, please call (970) 491-4600.

For the latest information about the University's COVID resources and information, including FAQs about the spring semester, please visit the **CSU COVID-19 site** <https://covid.colostate.edu/>.

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****Note:** if you have a significant conflict and need to present on a different date, please find another student to switch with you. If you are having trouble with this, let me know.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>
Jan. 25	**Organizational Meeting!**
Feb. 1	Thomas Cast
Feb. 8	Gabriel Galindo
Feb. 15	Amanda Kuerzi
Feb. 22	Gerald Liman
Mar. 1	Andrew Tonsager
Mar. 8	Andrew Dillon
Mar. 15	Spring Break
Mar. 22	Nicholas Flint
Apr. ?	Robert Williams (*research talk*)