CAMB 692 – Advanced Topics in Cell Biology, Physiology, and Metabolism II: Cell Signaling and Metabolism

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Cells in complex organisms are required to adapt rapidly in a changing environment. Maintaining homeostasis while performing specialized functions requires that cells respond to extracellular signals as well as fluctuations in a host of intracellular metabolites. This course will cover selected topics and general principles related to signal transduction and the control of metabolic flux in living cells.

Two lectures at the beginning of the course will provide an overview of metabolic and signal transduction pathways. The rest of the course will be student team-led discussion sessions both providing an overview of a topic as well as focusing on important papers from the primary literature. Students will select topics of interest to them, and the course directors will assign students to topics in line with their interests as much as possible. Each student will give 2-3 presentations over the course of the semester. Most sessions will include guest faculty member who will attend the class as subject matter experts and pick the papers (both primary papers and reviews) for the class. The presenting students are encouraged to meet with these faculty and/or the course directors prior to their presentations to discuss the topic and papers. All students are expected to read the papers for each class and contribute to class discussion. Students will be evaluated on their presentations and participation in class discussion.

Course Schedule

Date			Faculty	Topic		
Course Introduction						
January	Tue	24	Joe Baur & Rob Lee	Org meeting/Intro to metabolism (lecture)		
	Thur	26	Rob Lee	Intro to signal transduction (lecture)		
Metabolic pathways in health and disease						
	Tue	31	Katy Wellen	Acetyl CoA		
February	Thur	2	Zolt Arany	Branched chain amino acids		
	Tue	7	Celeste Simon	Urea cycle		
	Thur	9	Joe Baur	NAD		
Signal transduction by receptors and adapters						
	Tue	14	Paul Titchenell	Insulin/mTOR signaling		
	Thur	16	Mitch Lazar	Nuclear hormone receptors 1		
	Tue	21	Liming Pei	Nuclear hormone receptors 2		

	Thur	23	Peter Klein	Wnt signaling		
	Tue	28	Christoph Thaiss	Gut microbiome signaling		
March	Thur	2	Katalin Sustak	Kidney		
	Tue	7	Spring Break—No Class			
	Thur	9	Spring Break—No Class			
	Tue	14	Becky Wells	Liver signaling		
	Thur	16	Kevin Foskett	Calcium signaling		
	Tue	21	Will Bailis	Immunometabolism		
	Thur	23	Andrei Thomas-Tikhonenko	Aberrant signaling in cancer cells		
	Tue	28	Rob Lee	GPCRs		
	Metabolic regulation of cell and organism physiology					
	Thurs	30	Baur & Lee	Raf Inhibitor Paradox		

Tue 4 Brad Johnson* Senescence

Thur 6 Natali Chanaday Neuronal Signaling
Tue 11 David Merrick Adiopgenesis
Thur 13 Patrick Seale Brown fat
Tue 18 Claire Mitchell (or 20th) Lysozyome

Thur 20 Teji Khurana Muscle Metabolism
Tue 25 Baur + Lee Coffee and a Chat

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