Core Facilities Launches New Website

The Office for Research Core Facilities launched a bright and functional new website late last month. Phil Hockberger, director of core facilities, says the new site will better serve the research community as a whole.

"Our previous website had a lot of traffic from members of the core facilities," Hockberger says. "We wanted the new site to keep that audience but also better serve faculty members and external users."

To accommodate core facilities insiders as well as faculty members and external users, the new site has two sides: a private network that requires a Northwestern login name and password and a public face. The site has responsive design, adapting to all digital and mobile media displays.

Developed by NUAMPS, the site also has enhanced search capabilities. Visitors can search the entire site for content, key words, and user names via a conventional search box, or they can perform advanced searches for specific instruments, techniques, services, and products at University cores and centers through the "Search Facilities" tab.

NUAMPS also created templates for each core facility, so core personnel can create and maintain their own sites with detailed information about their facilities, staffs, contact information, and offered services.

Call for Abstracts: Lewis Landsberg Research Day

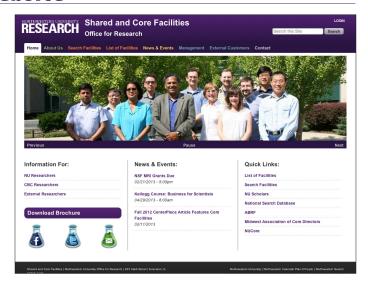


The ninth annual Lewis Landsberg Research Day will be held on April 4 from 1 to 5 p.m. on the Chicago campus. Those interested in participating in the poster session must submit an abstract no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, March 4.

The event is open to faculty, graduate students, medical students, postdocs, clinical residents and fellows, and research staff members.

Lewis Landsberg Research Day is an opportunity to share work with colleagues, find potential new collaborators, and get a better idea of the exciting research taking place at Feinberg. Awards will be presented in the areas of clinical research, basic science, public health and social sciences research, and women's health.

Click here for more information.



While the development took nearly a year, the website is still not done, according to Hockberger. He refers to the site as the "1.0 version" and says the University community can expect an even faster and more streamlined "2.0 version" this summer. He notes that users may experience some slowness with the site, but that will be remedied by the end of the month when it moves to a cloud-based server.

To visit the new core facilities web site, go to www.facilities.research.northwestern.edu.

Regenerative Nanomedicine Catalyst Award Program

The Louis A. Simpson and Kimberly K. Querrey Center for Regenerative Nanomedicine (CRN) invites applications for Regenerative Nanomedicine Catalyst Projects focusing on translational multidisciplinary research that uses nanotechnology strategies to address important biological, clinical, or biomedical research problems related to regenerative medicine. CRN Catalyst Projects must have a clear path to building an externally funded program at Northwestern University or a clear translational pathway for Northwestern intellectual property. Catalyst applications must propose a well-defined goal that will be achieved within a one-year timeframe based on milestones specified in the initial application.

Eligibility: Principal investigators (PIs) must hold tenured or tenure-track faculty appointments at Northwestern University. Multi-disciplinary projects with multiple PIs are welcome.

Funding range for one-year awards: \$10,000-\$40,000.

Application deadline: March 1, 2013.

Sponsors: Funding for this program is provided by the Center for Regenerative Nanomedicine. The Institute for BioNanotechnology in Medicine (IBNAM) will manage the application review process and administer the awards.

Visit the IBNAM website for more information on the Catalyst Program and application process.