

SPRING 2026 SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Mondays at 12:00-1:00pm

Date	Room	Speaker	Title
Feb. 02	LSOM 209L	Matthew Robson, Ph.D. Associate Professor University of Cincinnati – Division of Pharmaceutical Sciences James L. Winkle College of Pharmacy	<i>“Hitting up Serotonin (5-HT): The Impacts of Traumatic Brain Injury on 5-HT Neurotransmission”</i>
Feb. 09	LSOM 209L	Ayon Bhattacharya Supervising Professor: Andrew Brenner, MD, Ph.D	<i>“Acox-1 Mediated Metabolic Adaptations in Glioblastoma Under Hypoxia”</i>
Feb. 23	LSOM 209L	Nephi Stella, Ph D. Professor of Pharmacology, Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences University of Washington, Seattle WA	<i>“Harnessing the Therapeutic Value of Cannabinoids for the Treatment of Brain Diseases”</i>
Mar. 16	LSOM 209L	Annie Smelter Supervising Professor: Luke Norton, Ph.D.	<i>“TBX3 as a Spatial Regulator of Liver Zonation: Implications for Metabolism and Fibrosis”</i>
Mar.30	LSOM 209L	Henry Colecraft, PhD John C. Dalton Professor of Physiology and Cellular Biophysics, and Professor of Pharmacology Columbia University	<i>“Of Ubiquitin, Ion Channels, and Disease”</i>
Apr. 06	LSOM 209L	Jenny Hsieh, PhD Professor & Dept. Chair, Neuroscience, Developmental & Regenerative Biology Semmes Foundation Distinguished Chair in Cell Biology Founding Director, Brain Health Consortium The University of Texas at San Antonio	<i>“Stem Cell Approaches to Understanding Acquired and Genetic Epilepsies”</i>

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Apr. 13	LSOM 209L	Guangping Gao, PhD Professor & Chair, Department of Genetic and Cellular Medicine Professor, Microbiology Penelope Booth Rockwell Professor in Biomedical Research Director, Horae Gene Therapy Center and Viral Vector Core Director, Li Weibo Institute for Rare Diseases Research UMass Chan Medical School	<i>"Gene Therapy for Rare Diseases - Moving from fundamental to translational science"</i>
Apr. 20	LSOM 209L	Dorothy Schafer, PhD Associate Professor Department of Neurobiology University of Massachusetts Medical School	<i>"Microglial Phagocytic Mechanisms: Balancing Tissue Repair and Neuroinflammation"</i>
May. 11	LSOM 209L	Susan Greene, PhD Assitant Professir Psychology\ College of Humanities, Arts, and Social University of the Incarnate Word	<i>"What's in a Tail: Characterizing Aggressive Responding as it Relates to Phenotype in Betta splendens"</i>
May. 18	LSOM 209L	Charles Nichols, PhD Professor with Tenure, LSU Health Sciences Center, Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, New Orleans	<i>"Psychedelics as potential therapeutics for inflammaging"</i>