Research Electives

Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics Research Electives

During the fourth year, opportunities exist for many varieties of advanced clinical or research experiences.

Wayne M. Barnes, PhD
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Inventing a new way to sequence DNA; PCR at one temp; RT-enabled Taq pol

Greg Bowman, PhD
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The Bowman lab seeks to understand how protein dynamics gives rise to functional processes like allosteric communication between distant sites and to exploit our insight into this shape-shifting to design new drugs and proteins.

Peter M.J. Burgers, PhD
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Molecular biology of DNA replication and damage response in yeast and humans

John Cooper, MD, PhD
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Molecular mechanisms of cell motility and cytoskeleton assembly

Carl Frieden, PhD
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Protein folding, aggregation, intrinsically disordered proteins, fluorescence methods, ApoE lipoproteins and Alzheimer’s disease

Eric A. Galburt, PhD
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Biophysical studies of transcription initiation in eukaryotes and mycobacterial tuberculosis

Roberto Galletto, PhD
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Mechanistic studies of DNA motor proteins

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Our lab is focused on cytoskeletal molecular motors in health and disease. We are currently studying the effects of mutations that cause heart disease.

Kathleen Hall, PhD
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We study RNA folding and RNA binding to proteins.

Alex Holehouse, PhD
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Understand how function is encoded into disordered sequences using a combination of computational and experimental approaches

Jim Janetka, PhD
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Rational structure-based drug design and synthesis for cancer and infectious disease

Andrzej Krezel, PhD
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Structural biology of transcriptional regulation in the gastric pathogen Helicobacter pylori

Weikai Li, PhD
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Structural and biochemical studies of membrane proteins supporting blood coagulation

Timothy M. Lohman, PhD
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Mechanisms of DNA-protein interactions; DNA motor proteins (helicases) and SSB proteins

Garland R. Marshall, PhD
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A major focus is molecular recognition: the basis of intermolecular interactions and specificity seen in drug and hormone receptors and in antigen-antibody and substrate-enzyme systems.

Linda Pike, PhD
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Our focus is on the mechanisms of action of growth factors and polyphosphoinositide metabolism.

Janice Robertson, PhD
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Our goal is to understand how and why membrane proteins fold, form stable complexes, and achieve conformational stability inside of the oil-filled cell membrane.

Andrea Soranno, PhD
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Our main research interests are the physical principles and molecular mechanisms that determine biomolecular function.

Rui Zhang, PhD
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We combine single-molecule fluorescence spectroscopy and concepts from polymer physics to investigate intrinsically disordered proteins. We also develop innovative methods to study macromolecular conformations and dynamics within cells and in membraneless organelles.