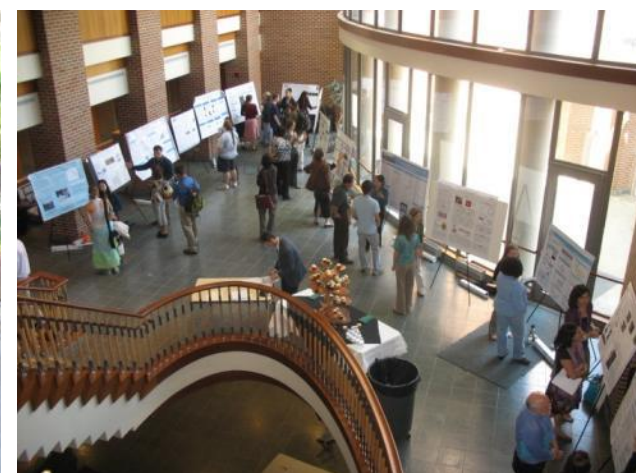
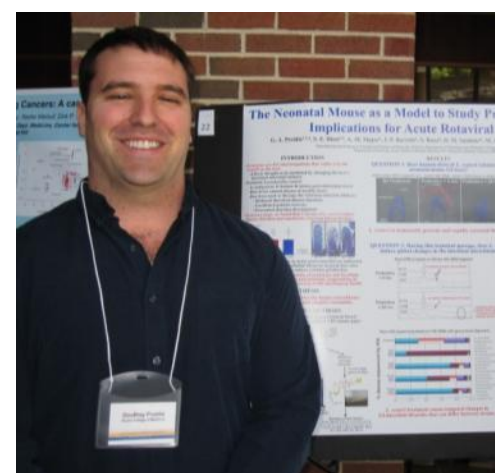


# Example of a Peer Group Symposium at the University of North Carolina



**Dr. Patrick Brandt, Program Coordinator**

**MIG Directors' Meeting**

**6.11.2010**



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# How it came together

- Student led
- Theme?
- Purpose
  - Highlight trainees and program
  - Connect trainees w/ other transl'at researchers
- HHMI provided \$1000 to each program for travel



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Symposium Flyer

## Translational Medicine Symposium

Thursday, April 15, 2010  
9:00am to 5:30pm

In the Medical and Biomolecular Research Building (MBRB) at UNC-Chapel Hill



### Invited Speakers



**Charlie Lowenstein, MD**  
Chief of Cardiology, University of Rochester Medical Center

Title: Nitric oxide and vascular inflammation



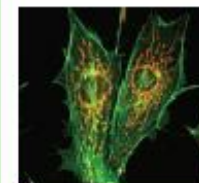
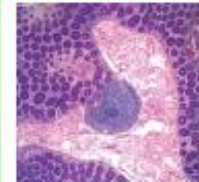
**Mary Estes, PhD**  
Professor of Molecular Virology, Baylor College of Medicine

Title: Molecular biology of gastrointestinal viruses



**Joseph Nevins, PhD**  
Director, Center for Applied Genomics & Technology, Duke University

Title: Genomic Strategies for Personalizing Cancer Treatment



### Agenda at a Glance

- Keynote addresses and local talks throughout the day
- Catered lunch for all registrants
- Afternoon poster session
- Program awards
- Reception with speakers to follow

For details or to register visit:

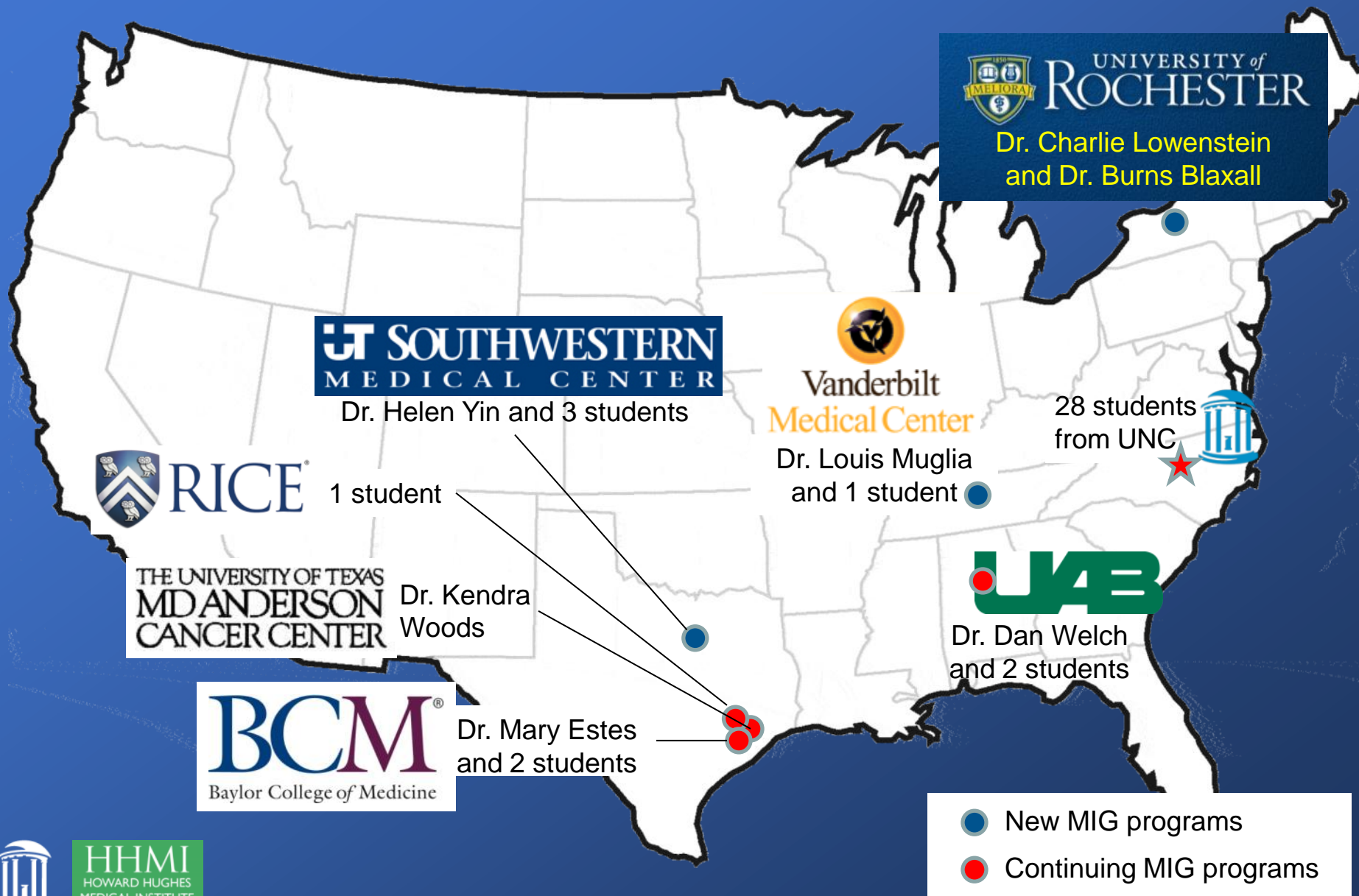
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# Who Came?



# Program Directors' Meeting

- Visiting programs arrived the afternoon before the symposium
- UNC trainees took the visiting trainees out to dinner
- Program directors met for 2 hours to talk about program elements, successes, challenges, etc



# Program Director Feedback

- “Hearing about other programs at the PD meeting and at dinner was extremely beneficial for a new program.”
- “It was great - I wish we would have had more time for discussion.”
- “It was very helpful to meet as a small group to informally share program aspects that are working well and to hear what new ideas are being developed by the beginning programs.”

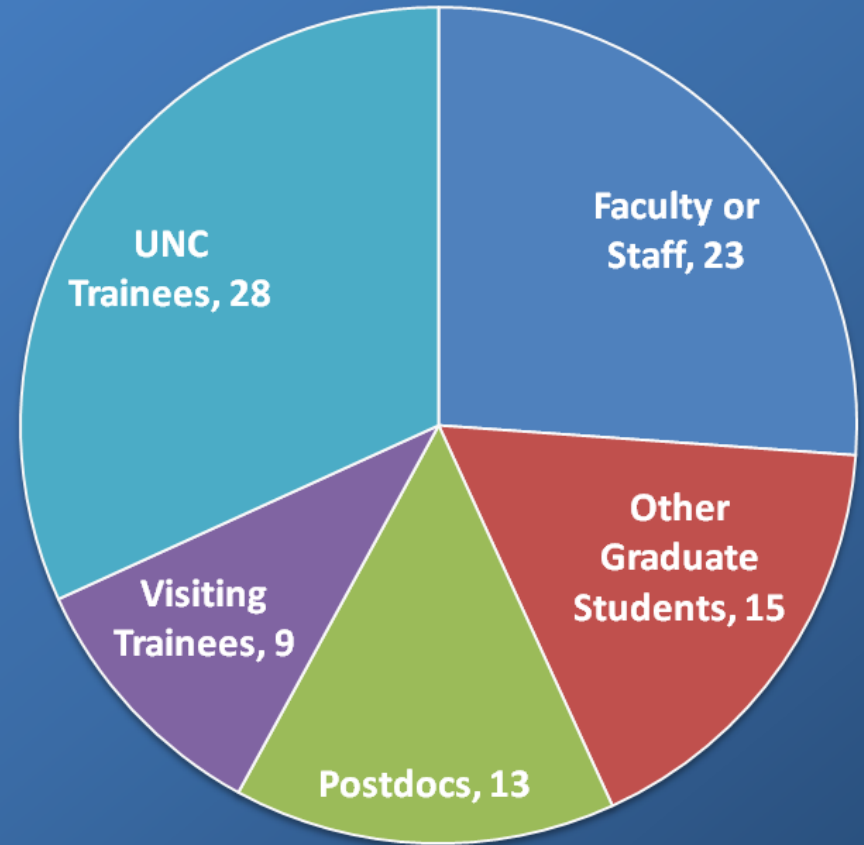
# Symposium Agenda

- 4 invited faculty speakers
- 6 trainee talks
- Catered lunch
- Poster session
- Program awards and recognition
- Networking reception
- Trainee dinner with speakers



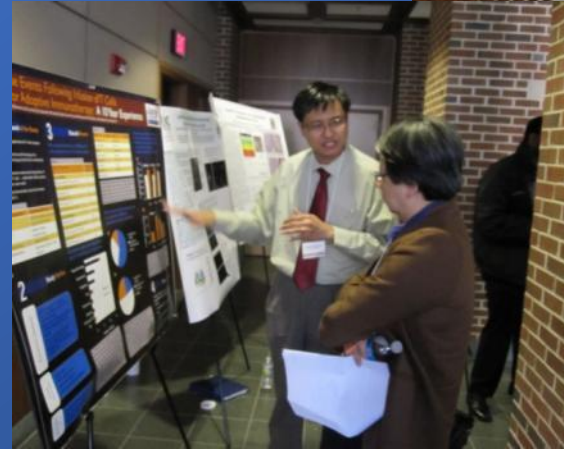
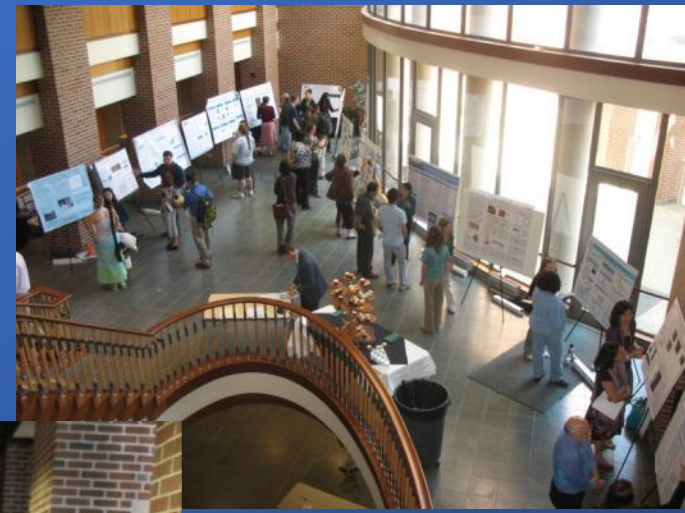
# Symposium Attendance

- Not counting the visiting programs there were registrants from
  - 26 different departments and centers at UNC
  - SoMed, SoRx, SoPH, SoD, College of arts/sci
  - 3 local institutions



# Poster Session

- 1 hour long
- 33 posters  
Judged by  
visiting directors  
& UNC faculty.
- Awards given for  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
place posters.



# Trainees:

- Chose, invited, and introduced outside speakers
- Presented talks and posters
- Nominated and chose clinical co-mentors for special recognition
- Hosted visiting trainees and faculty at breakfasts and dinners.



# Symposium Costs (to UNC)

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| \$3100 | Travel and Honoraria for 3 outside speakers |
| \$5300 | Food; dinners, symposium lunch and snacks   |
| \$600  | Speaker gifts and poster awards             |
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| \$9000 |   |



# Next Time

- Choose a disease theme?
- Longer poster session
- Drop the final networking reception
- Invite more trainees!
- More time for program directors to interact.



# UNC and Visiting MIG Trainees



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