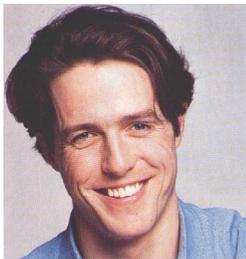


The Kuchroo Times

Dear Kuchroo Lab Members,

I am proud to announce that this is the sixth installment of the Kuchroo Times and thank you for your continued support. As the Kuchroo Times continues to expand, ideas and suggestions are always welcome so if you have a great idea for the paper, please feel free to drop a post it on my desk, email me, or even write random love notes on the white board as some anonymous lab member did this past week. Boy did that feel good, but anyways, I hope you enjoy this issue!

Headline



With the closing of one door, the opening of another occurs. This is a stressful week indeed with the deadline for a grant submission closes in fast. Dr. Kuchroo, Ana and Robin have been working furiously to polish up one of our lab's grants and have devoted sleepless nights trying to perfect it. Amidst the whirlwind of craziness trapping them inside their offices, there are still some rays of light hitting the surface of our lab. With the Kuchroo/Hafler luncheon that took place Monday afternoon and also the upcoming lunch this Thursday, we are truly getting the royal treatment. A rare occurrence within one week to be treated to so much food that it almost brings a tear to my eye. If the paper you are reading had pores, I am sure that your hands would be wet right now, but to illustrate my feelings of joy, I give you a humble =). Stay focused David. Stay focused. Ok, so back on track, in the spirit of grants, I would like to propose an informal grant that will benefit the most charming of our bunch. A grant that will motivate the best of the individual to shine and show their true colors. The Hugh Grant. This grant will test both charm and wit as the

inspiration for this grant brilliantly does through his movies. Though the details of this grant have not been worked out yet, I have some ideas in mind already. If given the green light for the formation of this grant, brush up your British accent everyone! (I call dibs on Henry Wu's assistance by the way).

Lab Improvement



So here is my second attempt at justifying the purchasing of an espresso machine for our lab. It is slightly practical and for the effort put into each cup of coffee...and tea, I feel that each and every sip of the cup will be even sweeter than the first. The best part of it all is that it's cheap! In this second and most definitely not the last pitch to try and provide fuel to our lab, I will use specific instances to try and highlight all of the pros that will come from having the machine so be on the lookout.

With the equipment that we have in the lab, we can produce our own coffee and feel good about it at the same time. What better way to apply the combined IQ of ten thousand of the people in the lab towards a beverage that gives us life and allows us to stay **focused**. (Please note the keyword **focus**).

We have all of resources here in the lab to produce the most potent coffee in the world. In a brief F.A.Q. session, I will try to address all of the problems that were brought up at our last discussion of this topic.

Who will fund this endeavor?

This project will be funded completely by the generous donations of our one and only Kuchroo Lab members. Though our funds will probably run out faster than the machine lives, it will still be considered a victory in our books.

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Where would you get the water supply for the machine?

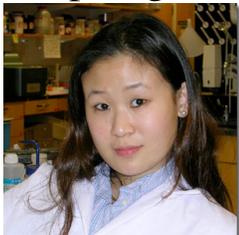
With a little help of the forces of brain and muscles, we can channel the water source from the 7th floor NRB's water tank and siphon water from them. The sweet taste of victory will make the coffee...and tea taste ever so sweet.

Where would you get the coffee and espresso packs?

One day when I was strolling through Marshalls, I came across a pack of coffee that struck my eye...literally. The pack of coffee fell from the top shelf and hit my eye, but it was a sign from heaven. This was no ordinary coffee. It had a warning label on it that read, Warning: Extreme amounts of caffeine present in this coffee. It was at that moment that I knew I had to get this for the lab, but also at that minute that I realized that I didn't have enough money to buy it. If this is coffee maker is implemented, I will personally go and purchase that bag of coffee as a toast to many more cups to come. If this bag of coffee is really as potent as it claims, I am pretty sure it will last long enough for us to find another source of income to supply the proceeding months.

Well that's enough questions for now. If you are still not convinced by these justifications, then we'll just have to wait until the next issue to bring up further questions.

Spotlight



This week's spotlight falls on our one and only **Error! Contact not defined..** A freehearted spirit and brilliant mind all mixed into one, she wields a hammer of fun and authority around our lab each day. Ahh, how sweet the sound of the random rant traveling from the west side of the laboratory that in some sort of weird way, completes our day. Her personality brings life

to the lab, which gives us a much needed boost from time to time which is why her presence is a vital component to our lab. She has been with us for the past 2 1/2 years and has loved every second of it. Both a Lab Manager and a post doc at the same time, the life of Denise is understandably stressful, but she is a fighter and overcomes these difficulties with ease and finesse. Hats off to you Denise and stay strong...army strong.

Etcetera



This is an update for our lab's summer t-shirt. A couple more rules have been added to the race to ensure that it is a fair and fun brawl for the \$100 American Express Gift Check.

1. The T-shirt design must include a list of names of all of the lab members on at least one side of the shirt. Failure to include even one lab member's name will result in an automatic disqualification. What font you choose to include the names on the shirt with is totally up to your discretion, but they must be included.
2. There will only be one entry allowed per lab member. Entries under alternate aliases such as "The Belly from New Delhi" will not be accepted.

With these rules now in play, let your creative juices flow and may the best design win!

On a side note, the t-shirts will be donated to our lab so by the third week of June, please email me your t-shirt size so that your size can be ordered. Once again have fun!