

The Kuchroo Times

Dear Kuchroo Lab Members,

Thank you for your continued support of this newsletter and I hope that it has proved to be a useful tool thus far. This is the eighth installment of this publication for those of you who are joining us for the first time and back issues are always available upon request. On that note, I hope you enjoy this issue of the Kuchroo Times.

Kuchroo Times Goes International



Beginning as a humble newsletter with a community of only 15 readers, it has grown to over 25, and as of this week, has gone international. Dr. Lindsay Nicholson is our newest member and has brought back copies of our happenings with him to England. Now as for the competition for the T-Shirt design contest, technically he would have to be present at the summer party to be able to partake in the competition, however I believe everyone in the lab will have some tough competition for the Hugh Grant. For those who are tuning in just now, the Hugh Grant was mentioned in last week's issue, which is a grant that promotes the class and sophistication of a true English star. The criteria will be judged in several different categories such as English accent, charm, and all things British, it will truly be a task to go up against such a heavyweight. Back on track however, I would like to welcome our new readers and hope that the Kuchroo Times will continue to grow and spread.

Dr. Ray Sobel Visits Lab



Dr. Ray Sobel visited our laboratory today and I had a chance to interview him, indirectly, however I finally was able to get a grasp of what this mysteriously brilliant person of whom I've heard so much about was really all about. If I were to compare my meeting with him to an instance in a famous movie, it would most likely be the Angels meeting Charlie for the first time. Let me explain. Long, long ago, in 2006, I was given the task of creating a protocol outlining the procedure of processing and recording samples being sent out for histology. Over and over again, the name Ray Sobel came up in my quest, and for sure, I knew that this person was the missing link that connected all of the pieces of the puzzle together. The only problem with being able to meet this vital figure was that he was all the way across the country in California. This person of whom I've never been in contact with before yet have heard so much about made me feel like an Angel....until today. The man behind the histology, finally was able to reveal himself and for some odd reason, I feel as though some part of my curiosity has been put to rest. After conversing with him about all sorts of things such as the pathology database and dissecting mice, I can say without a shred of doubt that Dr. Ray Sobel is the real deal. Thank you Dr. Sobel for taking time out of your life to visit our lab. It was truly a pleasure and honor to finally meet the Charlie behind the scenes.



Spotlight

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This week's Kuchroo Times spotlight falls on **Error! Contact not defined.** Words cannot even begin to describe the presence that she brings to our lab. Always positive, always cheerful, always hardworking, always...perfect. Though even the word perfect doesn't do her justice, it is as close as I can get to describing her both as a fellow and as a friend. For anyone and everyone that has had the privilege to get to know Valerie, I am sure that you will all concur that she is truly a special person and that sort of thing cannot be replaced. Thank you Valerie for spreading your joy to everything you come in contact with. This week's spotlight is on you!

Lab Improvement



So it's been a while since the topic of java has come up in the lab, but Robin has been working day and night to try and come up with a solution for providing our bodies with enough caffeine to keep us running. With her secret contact, he who will not be named, that works in a coffee company, they have been able to offer us with a solution that may or may work depending on your input and support. Over the next couple weeks, I will be conducting polls to see whether or not there are enough people in the lab who would like a coffee machine dedicated to the lab. Your dedication will be proven by a monthly investment into the machine which pays for only the coffee that is consumed and not the machine itself. Though the exact details have not been ironed out completely yet, with

the consent of Dr. Kuchroo, a machine that will be provided by the man left anonymous will be provided to the lab at no cost, however the coffee must be purchased through him. Now some more information regarding the coffee machine that will hopefully clear up any misconceptions or problems. The machine is a single cup brewer so the cleaning of pots is unnecessary. Also, to reduce costs, the people who use the machine will have to provide their own mugs. This should not be a problem now that everyone in the lab has their own personal USA Scientific mug. More information regarding this work in progress will be sent out soon, however with Dr. Kuchroo's consent, this once before dream may soon turn into a reality.

Lab Meeting Schedule

May 17, Cancelled

May 24, Cancelled

May 31, Ana

June 7, FOCIS-San Diego

June 14, Jozsef

Valerie

Amit

Rose

Thomas

Estelle

Aurelie

Sheng