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## Message from the President

Hello ABRFer's

I hope everyone is having a great Summer and finding a way to stay cool, especially those who are in the regions that are experiencing the unusually excessive heat. One way to avoid the heat would be to find a cool place to sit and visit the [ABRF](#) web site. For those who have not visited the site lately, you can learn about our 2022 ABRF

Award winner, [Dr. Jennifer Lippicott-Schwartz](#), get a copy of the new [Maximizing Shared Resources](#) report, [Job Postings](#), RG and Committee information, and so much more! If you have not already done so, please consider getting a COVID-19 vaccine so we can meet face-to-face safely at the ABRF 2022 meeting in Palm Springs, March 27-30, 2022.

Kevin Knudtson  
ABRF President

## Member Spotlight: Christopher Gregory, UNC School of Medicine



### **Christopher W. Gregory, PhD**

Director of Research and Professor  
Associate Chair for Administration (ACA)  
Department of Genetics  
Director, Office of Research Technologies  
University of North Carolina School of Medicine

Chris Gregory has been an active member of ABRF since September 2018 and has served on the Committee for Core Rigor and Reproducibility (CCoRRe) since May 2019. He was a Session Organizer and Speaker at the ABRF 2020 Annual Meeting (Core Administration Track, "Building Robust Quality Management Systems in Core Labs (GLP, GMP and QA Best Practices)". He has published in ABRF's *Journal of Biomolecular Techniques* and currently serves as a journal article reviewer. In his role with the UNC School of Medicine Office of Research Technologies, Chris has the privilege of supporting the complex ecosystem of more than 50 core labs across campus in the following key areas: operations, quality management, allocation of funding for equipment/method development/general needs, rate reviews, performance management and communications training, marketing and promotion through website and presentations, and strategic planning to ensure UNC cores have the latest technologies.

## ABRF Town Hall



**Wednesday, September 15, 12:00 pm ET**

Focus on: Core Metrics

Organized by ABRF Core Administrators Network

Coordinating Committee

(CAN-CC)

[Register](#) today!

## New JBT Issue



Article in new issue of *Journal of Biomolecular Techniques*:

[Staff Scientist Perspectives on Onboarding and Professional Development: A Case Study](#)

**Note:** Early access articles and the current issue of JBT are now available directly on the [ABRF web site](#).

## Update Your ABRF Profile Today



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## 2021 Annual Meeting Sample: The Microbiome: Analysis, Health, and Epidemiology

# 2021 *Virtual* ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 7-11, 2021

The 2021 ABRF Virtual Annual Meeting included a wide range of timely updates and presentations on current developments in research and technologies used throughout core facilities. Access the [recording](#) of this timely session to learn more.

## Chapters' Corner: MAD SSCI & NERLSCD Updates



**MAD SSCI** - 2021 virtual annual meeting in 12 parts: next sessions:

**Tuesday, August 10** - 12:00 – 2:00 pm ET

Choose from ***Best Practices: Single Cell Analytics*** or ***Rigor, Reproducibility, Transparency & Safety*** Register [here](#).



**NERLSCD 2021**– *in-person* – November 3-5, Portsmouth, NH. Mark your calendars for the return of ABRF events in person. Program and registration details will be available soon. Limited sponsorship opportunities [available](#).

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