Center for the Study of Inflammatory Bowel Disease  
Massachusetts General Hospital

24th Annual Symposium  
Thursday – November 6, 2014  
7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

7:45 - 8:25  Registration and Breakfast  
Opening Remarks – Ramnik J. Xavier, M.D. - Director, CSIBD

8:30 - 8:50  Exploring Epithelial-Specific Functions of IL-18 in Limiting Inflammasome Activation in Response to Microbes,  
John Garber, M.D., Gastrointestinal Unit  
Massachusetts General Hospital

8:55 - 9:15  The Role of Epigenetic “Reader” SP140 in Crohn’s Disease  
Kate Jeffrey, Ph.D., Gastrointestinal Unit  
Massachusetts General Hospital

9:20 – 9:40  Dietary Control of Intestinal Stem Cells in Physiology and Disease  
Omer Yilmaz, M.D., Ph.D., Koch Institute for Integrated Cancer Research  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

9:45 – 10:05  Small Molecules that Synergize with B-raf Inhibition in B-raf-Mutant Colorectal Cancer  
Stanley Shaw, M.D., Ph.D., Center for Systems Biology  
Massachusetts General Hospital

10:10 – 10:30  Break

10:35 – 10:55  IBD Genes in Defense Against Bacterial Infection  
Kara Lassen, Ph.D., Center for Computational and Integrative Biology  
Massachusetts General Hospital

Special Invited Guest Speaker

11:00 – 12:00  Viromes in Disease Pathogenesis  
Herbert W. Virgin, M.D., Ph.D., Washington University School of Medicine,  
St. Louis, MO

Simches Research Building at Charles River Plaza  
185 Cambridge Street, 3rd floor

The Symposium is open to the research community at no charge.  
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