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IN-TRAC: February 2025 Newsletter

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IN-TRAC Hour

Thursdays, 12:00pm-1:00pm

February 6th

Texas TB Journal Club*

Zoom Only

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February 13th

IN-TRAC Forum

Nadine Chacon, Ph.D. Student

Overview of Current TB Diagnostics

Denney Multipurpose Room and Zoom



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Thursday, February 13th from 12-1pm
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Forum led by
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Ph.D. Student

Discussion Topic:
Overview of Current TB Diagnostics

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February 27th

IN-TRAC In Session

Anthony Wang, Ph.D., BBC Core

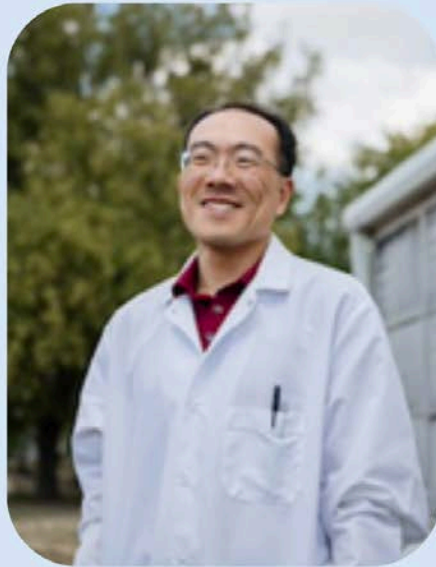
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Forum Facilitator

IN-TRAC is looking for you to be our future facilitator

Event:	Participation Perk:
Texas TB Journal Club	Pilot Grant Eligibility, Part 1: Attend at least half of these sessions and be a presenter
IN-TRAC Forum, an interactive forum for discussion of TB topics	Pilot Grant Eligibility, Part 2: Submit a TB topic and Facilitate the discussion

Sign-up Dates:

- June 12, 2025
- August 14, 2025
- October 9, 2025
- November 13, 2025
- December 11, 2025

Contact Crystal Bolden-Rush with the day you'd like to sign-up. Devcore will follow up and record your topic.

IN-TRAC Forum:

Is a 20-minute talk with no more than 15 slides, the remainder time will be for discussion and questions.

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started.

- Interact with virtual participants.
- Encourage discussion by focusing on possibilities, opportunities, or solutions.

[Click Here to Sign Up](#)

Did you know?

The Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) runs an in-house thrift store and is in need of volunteers!

As patients recover from TB infection they experience increases in weight and opportunities for steady employment. The thrift store exists to help these individuals embrace these positive changes by providing refreshed apparel. Periodically, the thrift store will open to the public as a fundraiser for the hospital.

The next Thrifty Threads event which will be open to the public is **Tuesday, February 25, 2025.**

The volunteer shifts are **Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 9am-12pm** (lunch is provided) and **1pm-3pm**. A tour is included for the morning shift.

*If you would like to volunteer to help setup for this upcoming Thrifty Threads, please email Crush@txbiomed.org by **Friday, February 14th.***

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Please look out for a World TB Day flyer in your inbox later today!

2025 IN-TRAC Clinical Core Trip

Please take advantage of this upcoming opportunity:
The 2025 IN-TRAC Clinical Core Trip to McAllen, Texas from April 7th-8th.

See flyer below for full details.

IN-TRAC CLINICAL CORE TRIP

April 7th and 8th, 2025

Acquire knowledge on the design and execution of field studies that are clinically relevant and logistically feasible.

Trainee will be able to...

Define the stage of the Natural History of TB addressed in their research

Identify and manage patients with suspected TB, newly diagnosed TB and close contacts

Determine how protocols for TB control differ between Texas and Mexico

Obtain strategies to manage relevant data related to the field and laboratory process

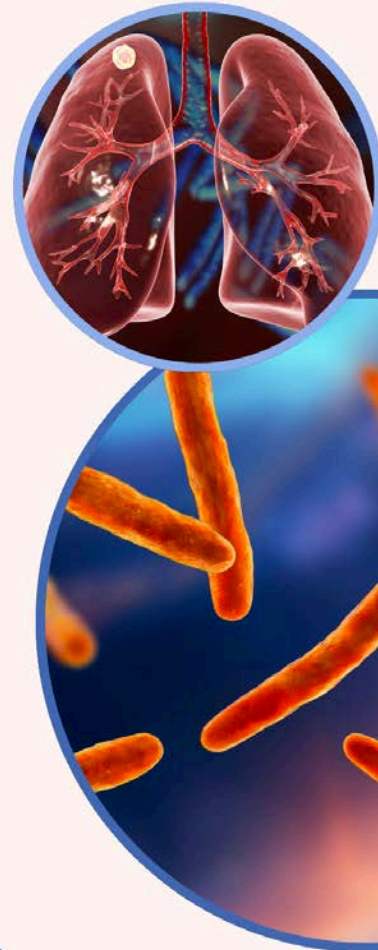
Acquire knowledge on types of study designs currently conducted at the Mexican field site and the ethical considerations for studies conducted at international field sites

Translate their current basic science project to the clinical setting

Details:

This trip will leave on April 7th from Texas Biomed campus at 7am, include an overnight stay in McAllen, TX and arrive back to Texas Biomed campus on April 8th at 6pm
Please click the flyer to express interest in this trip.

Travel costs are sponsored by IN-TRAC and either a shared van or carpooling will be used for transportation and rooms will be double occupancy.



Click [HERE](#) to express your interest in the trip.

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Request for 2025 Pilot Grant Proposals coming soon!

There are 3 opportunities for Pilot Grant funding available for IN-TRAC participants:

- 2025 Small Project Pilot Grant
- 2025 Preliminary Data Pilot Grant
- 2025 Collaborative Pilot Grant

IN-TRAC recruitment is always in full force!

Please encourage your colleagues to join IN-TRAC by forwarding them this email. There are so many exciting opportunities they can be a part of to further their TB research and experience!

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