Announcement: [N. Raikhel]
It was announced that Anupama Dahanukar (Entomology) was just awarded a three-year research grant totaling $225,000 from the Whitehall Foundation for her project titled "Decoding the Logic of Gustatory Input Diversity to Behavioral Output." The Whitehall foundation grant awards are extremely competitive; this is only the second time a UCR recipient has been acknowledged (the first time was Anand Ray, also from Entomology).

I. IIGB Research and Training Proposals
   A. In Preparation:
      a. In Preparation: NIH Multidisciplinary Training Proposal – Xuemei Chen
         Xuemei Chen, the PI, mentioned that the proposal will be focused on epigenetics and start small, with support for approx. 2-3 students in year 1. The proposal will be submitted 1/25/2011.
      b. In Preparation: AHRQ Grant Program for Large Conference Support (R13) – Peter Atkinson
         Peter Atkinson and Alex Raikhel are working on a proposal requesting support for an international CDVR symposium in March 2012.
      c. Submitted: NIH T32 Training Grant – Peter Atkinson
   C. Suggestions?

II. New IIGB Technologies/Initiatives
   A. New Hi-Seq Illumina Sequencer: Operational January 2011
      a. One Programmer Funded by CNAS until 7/27/11: Rebecca Sun
   B. Biennial CEPCEB Symposium
      a. Integrated with biennial Botany Plant Biology Symposiums
   b. Future Hosts?
   C. 10-Year CEPCEB Celebration – Fall 2012 (It was suggested that a logo be developed)
   D. Proposal to Combine In-House CEPCEB Conference/Retreat with annual CEPCEB Award Ceremony (Fall 2011) Julia Bailey-Serres will coordinate
      a. IGERT Retreat Format (grant ends 2011)
      b. Feature Invited Speaker
      c. Include Internal Speakers
   E. Biennial CDVR Symposium (scheduled for March 2012)
   F. CEPCEB/CDVR/IIGB Seminar Series
      a. Weekly

III. IIGB Scientific Advisory Board?
   A. Focus: It was suggested to combine science and core facilities evaluation to determine what is missing to obtain large interdisciplinary center/institute grant
   B. Suggestions:

IV. Scientific Discussions
   A. Suggestions for Facilitation and Integration of Labs Theresa Dinh will spearhead get-togethers among researchers within the building that do not include PIs.
   B. Career Choices: It was suggested that the building conducts a Career Choices Day for graduate students and postdocs where invited speakers from academia, industry,
patent law, government, and writing fields speak to small rotating groups within the building. Isgouhi Kaloshian will spearhead.

V. Upcoming Events
Genomics Holiday Potluck Party:
   Wednesday, December 3, 2010; 3-6pm
   Neil Campbell Science Learning Laboratory: due for completion March 2011

VI. Frequency of Meetings? It was suggested that forums be held semi-annually.