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# Hansel Visiting Scientist Seminar Series – Spring 2026

Location: Kevin P. Reilly, Sr. Auditorium

Time: 11:00am - 12:00pm

Refreshments: will be served in the Auditorium foyer at 10:45am

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Speaker:</b>	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Host(s) &amp; Contact:</b>
<b>Feb. 5</b>  Pennington/ Louisiana NORC Sponsored	<b>C. Ronald Kahn, MD, PhD</b>  Mary K. Iacocca Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School Chief Academic Officer, Joslin Diabetes Center, Center for Life Sciences Harvard Medical School <a href="mailto:c.ronald.kahn@joslin.harvard.edu">c.ronald.kahn@joslin.harvard.edu</a>	<b>miRNAs and Metabolites: New Instruments in the Orchestra of Cellular Communication</b>	<b>Frank Greenway, MD</b> Contact: Alex Taylor 225-763-2847 <a href="mailto:alex.taylor@pbrc.edu">alex.taylor@pbrc.edu</a>
<b>April 9</b>  Pennington/ Louisiana NORC Sponsored	<b>David Nathan, MD</b>  Director, Clinical Research Center Director, Diabetes Center Massachusetts General Hospital Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School <a href="mailto:dnathan@mgh.harvard.edu">dnathan@mgh.harvard.edu</a>	<b>Landmark Diabetes Clinical Trials: Past, Present, and Future</b>	<b>Owen Carmichael, PhD</b> Contact: Melanie Peterson 225-763-3176 <a href="mailto:melanie.peterson@pbrc.edu">melanie.peterson@pbrc.edu</a>
<b>April 16</b>	<b>Julie Hughes, PhD</b>  Supervisory Research Physiologist, Military Performance Division US Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine <a href="mailto:julie.m.hughes17.civ@health.mil">julie.m.hughes17.civ@health.mil</a>	<b>Challenging Long- Held Dogma in Bone Exercise Science to Prevent Bone Stress Injuries in Soldiers and Civilians</b>	<b>Stefan Pasiakos, PhD, FASN, FACSM</b> Contact: Rebecca Hill 225-763-3019 <a href="mailto:rebecca.hill@pbrc.edu">rebecca.hill@pbrc.edu</a>
<b>April 30</b>	<b>Hussein Yassine, MD</b>  Professor of Neurology and Department of Physiology and Neuroscience Kenneth and Bette Volk Professorship in Neurology Director, Center for Personalized Brain Health Keck School of Medicine of USC <a href="mailto:hyassine@usc.edu">hyassine@usc.edu</a>	<b>DHA Supplementation, Lipid Metabolism, and Brain Health: From Biology to Clinical Trials</b>	<b>Owen Carmichael, PhD</b> Contact: Melanie Peterson 225-763-3176 <a href="mailto:melanie.peterson@pbrc.edu">melanie.peterson@pbrc.edu</a>
<b>May 21</b>  Pennington/ Louisiana NORC Sponsored	<b>John Speakman, PhD DSc</b>  Chair of Zoology University of Aberdeen King's College <a href="mailto:j.speakman@abdn.ac.uk">j.speakman@abdn.ac.uk</a>	<b>Models Of Body Weight Regulation in Animals and Humans</b>	<b>Eric Ravussin, PhD</b> Contact: Jacqueline Fox 225-763-2686 <a href="mailto:jacqueline.fox@pbrc.edu">jacqueline.fox@pbrc.edu</a>