

**Consortium Steering Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday, December 16, 2021**  
**5:00 pm to 6:00 pm**  
**Zoom**

**Committee Attendees:** Stephen Burley, Shridar Ganesan, Yibin Kang, Anita Kinney, Michael Levine, Edmund Lattime, Joshua Rabinowitz, Benjamin Raphael, Ioannis Stasinopoulos (representing Shared Resources on behalf of Adam Berger), Linda Tanzer, Eileen White

**Administration Attendees:** Gina Londino-Greenberg, Stephanie Scott

**1. Discussion of Consortium-related CCSG and Strategic Plan components (Londino-Greenberg)**

- Please see attached presentation from Gina Londino-Greenberg.

**2. Courses of Action to better engage Princeton University for Year of Record**

- The recommendation was made that Research Administration should prepare a comparison of Rutgers University/Princeton University collaborative publications and grants from the 2018 NCI Site Visit vs. the present.
- Please see the attached presentation given by Dr. Lattime.
  - o It was noted that an upcoming “Crash Course” by the Institute for Quantitative Biomedicine (IQB) planned for April 2022 would be another example of a joint collaboration between IQB and Rutgers Cancer Institute.
  - o T32 grants are being pursued for post-doctoral trainees. The NCI will not fund T32 grants for graduate students.
  - o The joint MD/PhD program continues. Dr. Lattime will be looking into whether the MSTP grant is being submitted.
    - If this grant has not been submitted, then Rutgers Cancer Institute should perhaps intervene to assist with the submission.
- It was noted that collaboration with Princeton University faculty is more challenging for Population Science Members.
  - o The most recent pilot award funding mechanism distributed to promote such collaboration had no applicants.
  - o However, there is a collaboration in which postdoctoral appointees under Heather Howard and Janet Currie are being supported.
  - o Part of the challenge of engaging Princeton University Humanities faculty in collaboration is that their focus tends to be on writing textbooks more so than pursuing research funding.
  - o A biostatistician is being hired as a Princeton University faculty member. Dr. Raphael will seek out further details.
- Princeton University seems to be placing a major emphasis now on data science. This area could be another means of engaging collaborators, including helping with a joint faculty recruitment package.
  - o Due to the combined strengths of Genomics at Rutgers University and Princeton University, it might be advisable to pursue a T32 education grant from NIGMS, which would cover graduate students.
- The Ludwig-Princeton Branch is funding trainees in laboratories. It will be important to engage the PIs as Research Program Members.