

# Genetics and Genomics (G2) Seminar Series



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## Mitochondrial DNA Stress in Innate Immunity and Disease

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Dr. West's research focuses on understanding how mitochondria regulate innate immunity and inflammatory processes to influence human health and disease. Mitochondria are multifaceted organelles integral to many processes including energy generation, programmed cell death, signal transduction, and immunity. Consequently, mitochondrial stress can drastically alter cell and tissue function and is increasingly implicated in aging and diseases such as type 2 diabetes, neurodegeneration, inflammatory disorders, and cancer. His ongoing projects focus on mitochondrial control of immune signaling, modulation of mitochondrial function by pathogens, and mitochondrial dysfunction in melanoma.



**Monday, October 16, 2017**

4:00 p.m.

**Auditorium/Room 108**

**BioBio Building**

Refreshments at 3:30 p.m. in the lobby.

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