



# BEST @ CORNELL

Events for January 2016

## BEST Celebration '16 | 20 January

Reception for BEST trainees and supporters w/ remarks by Provost Michael Kotlikoff. RSVP needed.

**Location:** Big Red Barn. 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

[HTTP://BEST.CORNELL.EDU/INDEX.CFM/EVENTS.REG?EVENTID=895](http://best.cornell.edu/index.cfm/events.reg?eventID=895)



## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter RCR Symposium | 25 January

Panel presentations and group discussions on research ethics. Registration needed.

**Location:** Uris Hall. 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM.

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## DEADLINE – Biotechnology Symposium '16 | 29 January

Deadline for abstract submission to the symposium.

[HTTP://WWW.ESF.EDU/OUTREACH/BIOTECHNOLOGY/](http://www.esf.edu/outreach/biotechnology/)

## Mentoring and You

In case you were not aware, January is National Mentoring Month. Needless to say, mentoring happens on an ongoing basis throughout the year, and is an integral aspect of being a graduate student.

Mentoring helps a novice get preliminary knowledge and establish a rapport with more experienced users; the mentor gets the benefit of developing further expertise on what he/she does.

BEST offers plenty of advice on how to develop mentoring skills as well as methods for finding appropriate mentorship. Make sure to continually improve your mentoring skills. You never know how you may be helping.

## BEST Face: Avery August, Ph.D.

Program Principal Investigator for BEST, Dr. Avery August, was featured by NIH during a recent Q&A session hosted by the Common Fund. For info into his research goals, future plans, and prowess as a DJ, please feel free to check the Q&A [here](#).

## In need of suggestions

While reporting on the fascinating research of several BESTies last semester, various concerns and suggestions have been raised with regards to how to improve the collective BEST experience. If you have suggestions for us, please feel free to connect with us through email or social media sites.

Help us establish a common forum of communication.

## SCIENCE NEWS CORNER



-Hi Otzi!

Here to talk about some of the news that you may not have heard of.

DNA analysis of Copper Age man Otzi's stomach reveals information about gastrointestinal infections of prehistoric Europeans and more. The bacterium *Helicobacter pylori*'s genome was found to mimic that of Central Asian strains, unearthing info into the settlement and migratory patterns of Europeans 5000 years ago.

Small details, big picture.

The original story ran on EurekAlert! on 7 January 2016. Click [here](#) for the article

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