



## Make an Appointment Gerstner Sloan Kettering Students Receive Kirschstein Awards

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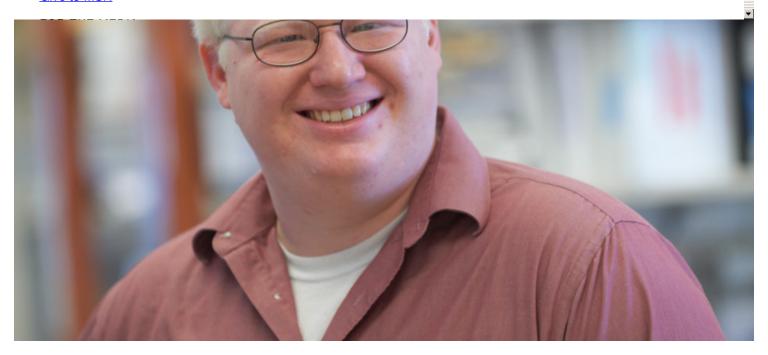
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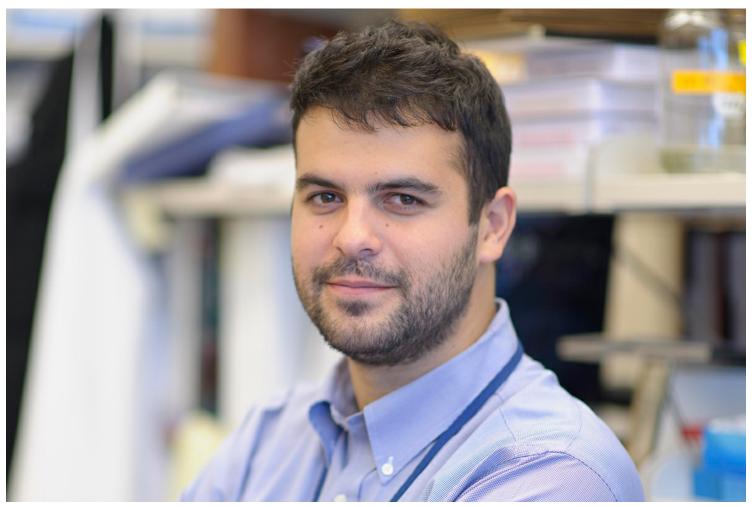
In 2012, four graduate students at the Louis V. Gerstner, Jr. Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center have received prestigious <u>Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA)</u> from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to support their research.

The goal of the Kirschstein Award is to provide pre-doctoral research training fellowships to support promising doctoral candidates who will be performing dissertation research and training in scientific health-related fields relevant to the missions of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers during the tenure of the award.

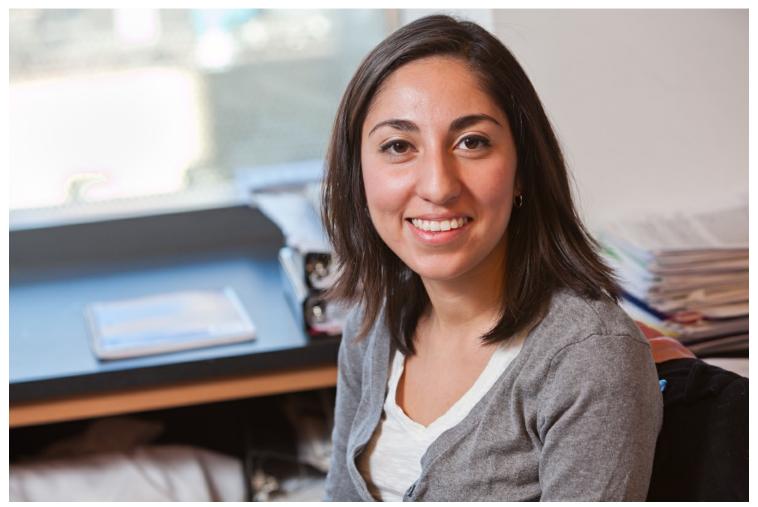
The students who received the awards are:



Robert Lyle Bowman, a third-year student in Johanna Joyce's lab, who received a four-year award from the National Cancer Institute. His project title is *The Roles of Microglia and Macrophage Populations in the Glioma Microenvironment.* 



Oakley C. Olson, a fourth-year student – also mentored by Johanna Joyce – who received a four-year award from the National Cancer Institute. His project title is *Mechanisms of Macrophage Mediated Chemoprotection in Breast Cancer*.



Berenice Ortiz, a fifth-year student in the laboratory of Timothy Chan, who received a two-year award from the National Cancer Institute. Her project title is *Molecular Mediators in Tumor Suppression for the PTPRD Phosphatase in Gliomas*.



<u>Jessica Rios</u>, a fifth-year student mentored by Marilyn Resh, who received a three-year award from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences. Her project title is *Biochemical and Functional Analysis of Wnt Acyltransferase, Porcupine.* 

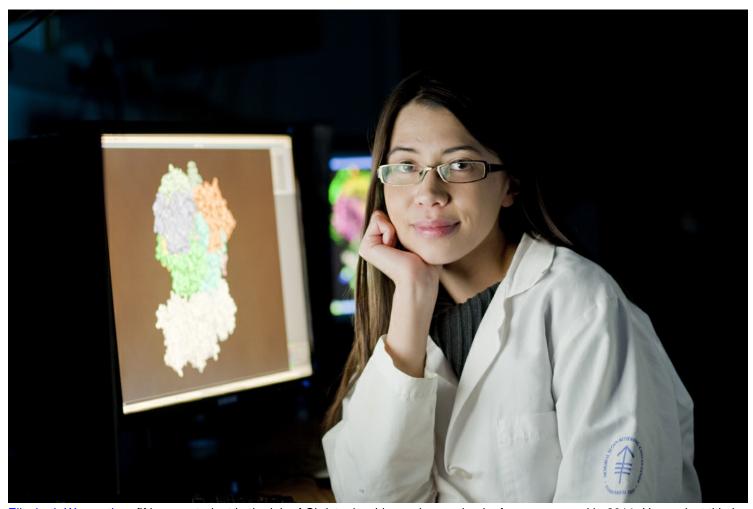
Other Gerstner Sloan Kettering students currently supported by the NIH Individual Kirschstein Awards include:



<u>Isabel Lam</u>, a fifth-year student in the laboratory of Scott Keeney, who received a two-year award in 2011. Her project title is *Functional Characterization of Rec104 in Meiotic Recombination*.



<u>Jennifer Ebele Nnoli</u>, a sixth-year student mentored by Jacqueline Bromberg, who received a three-year award in 2010. Her project title is *Interleukin-6/Stat3 Regulation of the Estrogen Receptor Alpha in Breast Cancer*.



<u>Elizabeth Wasmuth</u>, a fifth-year student in the lab of Christopher Lima, who received a four-year award in 2011. Her project title is Structural and Biochemical Characterization of the S. cerevisiae RNA Exosom.



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