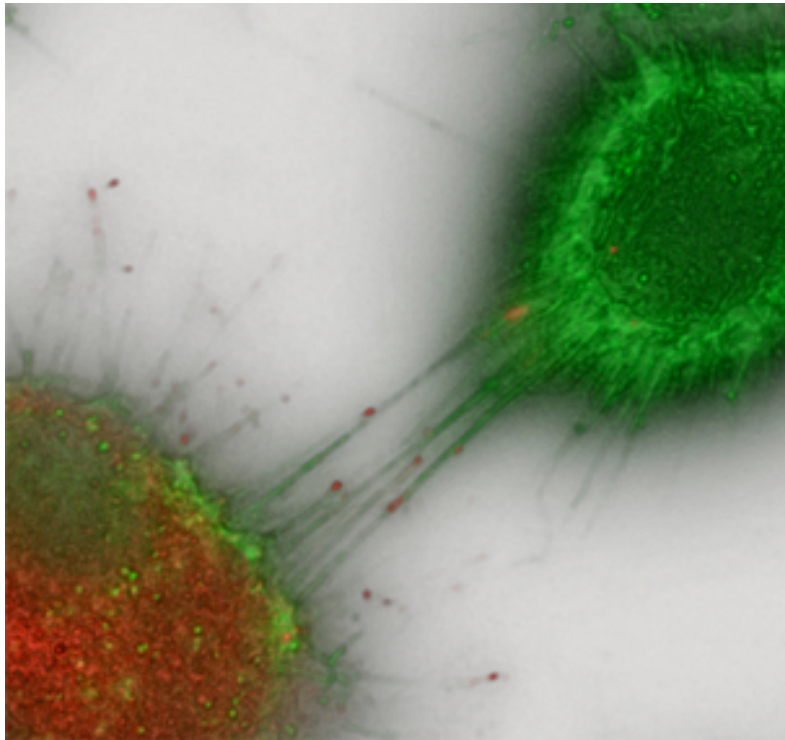


Department of Biology presents a seminar

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**“The role of tunneling nanotubes  
and Myosin X in disease”**



The focus of my laboratory is on the role of tunneling nanotubes (TNTs), a novel mechanism of functional connectivity between cells, in the spreading of viruses, misfolded protein aggregates (leading to neurodegenerative diseases), as well as the role they may play in the proliferation and persistence of cancer. My lab is specifically interested in understanding the role of Myosin X, an unconventional actin molecular motor, in TNT formation. We are currently using techniques from bioinformatics, proteomics, structural biology, evolutionary biology, molecular biology, cell biology, and virology to help uncover these underlying mechanisms.

**Friday, February 6, 2015**

3:00 – 4:00 PM

Science 2, room 109

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