The Summer Training Course provides intense exposure to current concepts in experimental aging research for 15-20 research scientists. It is designed primarily for junior faculty and advanced fellows with at least two years postdoctoral experience in cell or molecular biology or a related field. Senior scientists who wish to learn about current aging research are also welcome.

Each day includes: i) overview lectures on a pivotal topic in modern aging research; ii) development workshops at which students present research ideas and plans for constructive critique; iii) faculty research talks on selected topics.

Faculty for the 2009 course include: Steven Austad, Judith Campisi, Pankaj Kapahi, Richard Miller and Peter Rabinovitch with additional guest lectures by local faculty. Faculty director: Dr. Judith Campisi. No course fee. Travel, lodging and meals are covered by funds from the National Institute on Aging and Buck Institute’s Nathan Shock Center.

**Preliminary course topics include:**
- evolutionary biology of aging
- genomic damage and aging
- invertebrate models to study aging
- how to design an animal experiment
- role of mitochondria in aging
- comparative biology of aging
- epigenetic damage and aging
- calorie restriction and nutrients
- stress resistance and longevity
- role of telomeres in aging

**Application deadline:** April 1, 2009

**Application requirements:** CV, publication list, 1-page description of research interests, and 1 letter of recommendation.

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