Integrating Biomarkers in Population-based Research Summer Workshop

Do you want to include biomarkers in your research but don’t know how to get started? This week-long introduction provides a basic understanding and practical examples for collecting specimens such as blood, saliva, hair, and more. The course focuses on the linkage of biomarkers with social and behavioral data with a hands-on approach.

Topics include:
1) developing hypotheses and aims that require biomarkers
2) study design and interdisciplinary research
3) identifying collaborators and labs, and ensuring high-quality data from biomarkers
4) protocols for biomarker collection, processing, storage, and specimen management
5) ethical issues
6) assessing costs
7) special requirements for collecting biomarkers in an international setting
8) emerging techniques for biomarker assessment

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Workshop date and location: June 2-6, 2008 at UNC-Chapel Hill

The course will be limited to 20 students.
For those admitted, no tuition will be charged to attend the course. A limited number of stipends will be awarded to cover some travel costs.

All materials are due Thursday, April 7, 2008. The applications will be reviewed and decisions made about admission no later than April 15, 2008.

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