## **DIABETES AND METABOLISM SEMINAR SERIES**



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4:00 - 5:00pm Orin Smith Auditorium SLU Campus 850 Republican Street

## Islet β Cell Dysfunction in Diabetes: Too Much Hyp(e)?

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Dr. Mirmira's laboratory focuses on the regulation of gene transcription during pancreatic islet development, function, and survival. Currently his laboratory is investigating 1) the role of homeodomain transcription factors, basic helix-loophelix transcription factors, and PPAR-gamma during the development of islets and the pathogenesis of islet dysfunction in type 1 and type 2 diabetes; 2) the interrelationships between chromatin structure and gene transcription in the mature islet; and 3) the role of post-transcriptional mechanisms in cytokinemediated islet dysfunction.

Dr. Mirmira's laboratory has also engaged in translational work that would bring new therapies into the clinic to treat patients with diabetes including bench and bedside testing of new inhibitors of the islet inflammatory intermediates and proteomicsbased approaches to discovering biomarkers that identify or predict the occurrence of microvascular complications in patients with diabetes.



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