# **CSCB Seminar Series**



#### Title:

# "A Gain-of-Function Genetic Screen Reveals New Roles for WNT Signaling in B-cell Lymphoma."

### Abstract:

Conventional loss-of-function genetic screens are highly informative but do not accurately model genome alterations that increase gene function. We developed a new mass spectrometry-coupled gain-of-function screen and used it to study the  $\beta$ -catenin-dependent WNT signaling pathway. My presentation will focus on the FOXP1 transcription factor, its mechanism of action and why its overexpression in B-cell lymphoma governs sensitivity to WNT pathway inhibitors.

#### Date:

# 10 April 2014 (Thursday)

### Time:

12:00 NN to 1:00 PM

#### Venue:

Amphitheatre, Level 2 Duke-NUS Grad Med Sch 8 College Road, S169857

(Opposite Singapore General Hospital, Block 6/7)

### Host:

#### David Virshup, M.D.

Professor & Director Program in Cancer & Stem Cell Biology Duke-NUS Graduate medical School Singapore

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#### Speaker:



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## **Biography:**

**Dr. M. Ben Major** is an Assistant Professor of Cell Biology and Physiology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He holds a secondary position in the Department of Computer Sciences. He did his doctoral work at the University of Utah and then went on to a postdoc at the University of Washington. Ben's research program uses protein mass spectrometry and functional genomics to study how alterations in signal transduction contribute to human disease.