

Supercourse Newsletter
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Dear Friends,

Please distribute this to YOUR friends.

Legacy lectures:

Many of you began to think about your legacy and submitted some beautiful lectures. We have been most impressed with the numbers of lectures from Nobel Prize winner, members of the NAS, IOM and the American Epidemiology Society

AES - 36 members with 189 lectures
NAS - 33 members with 64 lectures
IOM - 29 members with 63 lectures
Nobel (just in case) - 9 members with 14 lectures

We most certainly have the largest collection of lectures of Giants in the field. It is wonderful. In addition, Eugene Shubnikov just finished beautiful lecture series of the American Epidemiologic Society: You can find many of your favorite epidemiologists in here. It is really nice.

<http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/AES/aes.htm>

Page Rankings and Nobel Prize lectures:

We have 9 lectures by Nobel Prize winners and quite a few more promised. We discovered something most wonderful. Six of the Nobel Prize winners contribute their Nobel Prize Lectures to the Supercourse. They thus had lectures in both the Supercourse, and I the Nobel Prize site. This is amazing, the average Page Rank for both sites was just about the same. What was exciting is that for 3 of the Nobel Prize winners, the Supercourse lectures of these scientists was better than the Nobel prize it self. We thus are beginning to have a huge impact across all of science. Egad, to have equal or better impact then the Nobel Prize's themselves is remarkable. It is likely that the major reason for this is that the Supercourse site reaches a much more varied and broader audience of educators than the Nobel Prize

Supercourse of Science:

A few months ago Gil Omenn (former head the AAAS), Ismail Serageldin (Director of the Library of Alexandria, Vint Cerf (father of the Internet), Faina Linkov (Asst. Prof.) and I published a article in Science suggesting that if the Supercourse worked for Prevention, why should we build a Scientific Supercourse. The difference between 4000, lectures and 400,000 lectures is only a matter of scale, and we have shown that our Supercourse works. Gil, Ismail and Vint have been wonderful advocates of the Supercourse. It is very exciting that Gil was very supportive of us to have a set of presentations at perhaps the most prestigious Scientific Meetings, the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Boston, in Feb. We would love to have you come, please let us know if you are (we can give you as much money as we ourselves have for travel.. \$0.00). It would be wonderful to have you all there.

Tripping:

During the next few weeks sadly we will not be able to talk with you about Turkeys, Big Bucks, Ground Hogs, nor Shelties. However, after the 22nd, Jan and I will be able to talk with you about Hump back whales, Porpoises, Grizzlies bears, and Eagles. We are going to Alaska, as we have always wanted to see a Whale or too...(I will be reading Moby Dick again, although this might not be culturally sensitive around Orcas) . Eric Marler suggested that we go to Quebec, as he sees beluga whales. We have been talking with ali aardalan is in Iran the Sturgeons get pretty big!! We will take lots of pictures. We hope that your vacation this year was memorable.

Lecture of the Week

What is Public Health? What is Global Health? and What is Collective Health? These are the questions that are being answered in the new lecture by Dr. Marcio Ulises Estrada Paneque from Cuba. This lecture can be accessed through <http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/lecture/lec30721/001.htm> and is of particular interest to everybody with an interest in general global health issues. Dr. Estrada Paneque has been a long time supporter of the Supercourse, so please make sure to check out this beautiful lecture.

Ron, Eugene, Mita, Faina, Nicolas, Francois, Abed, Soni, Ala, Rania, Arlene, Fayrouz

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