

Core A: Administrative Core

The Administrative Core provides the broad framework upon which the UAB Core Center for Basic Skeletal Research (CCBSR) is based. Its proven structure under the auspices of the UAB Center for Metabolic Bone Disease (CMBD) provides management, oversight, planning, ongoing evaluation and quality assurance. Management and oversight of the Pilot and Feasibility Program is provided via clearly defined and proven centralized administrative mechanisms. The Enrichment Program supports education and critical communication links for the CCBSR amongst its components and members and with other academic units at UAB. All of the Enrichment Program elements (Journal Club, Visiting Expert/Speaker Program, Newsletter, Email list-serve and Web-page for disseminating information, and the annual Comprehensive Research Seminar in Bone Biology and Disease) are proven means of cross-fertilization and communication at UAB. The oversight and planning mechanisms include an extensive semiannual assessment by an External Advisory Board of bone biology and bone disease experts.