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### *Important Information re: Postdoc Insurance:*

Effective July 1, 2013, the University of Florida's insurance plan for Postdoctoral Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows will be provided as part of GatorCare, the University's new self-insured health plan. The name of the plan is GatorCare Options. To view a plan brochure for GatorCare Options, please visit [http://gatorcare.org/options\\_g.asp](http://gatorcare.org/options_g.asp). For further details about GatorCare in general, please visit <http://gatorcare.org>.

Beginning July 1, 2013, newly hired Postdoctoral Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows will be able to complete their GatorCare Options enrollment via the myUFL system. Detailed instructions on how to enroll can be found on the attachment.

Important deadlines:

- New hires must complete enrollment within 60 days of hire.
- Qualifying event changes must be completed within 60 days of the event.

- Open enrollment elections must be completed prior to the end of open enrollment.

If you have questions about enrollment or eligibility, please contact HRS's GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at [hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu](mailto:hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu) or (352) 392-0003.

- [All Inclusive Guide](#) (.pdf)
- [Information from InfoGator](#) (.pdf)

*Please note that GatorCare is not available to Adjunct Post Docs or Adjunct Clinical Post Docs.*

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## National Postdoc Appreciation Week: September 16-20

- **Postdoc Development Workshop: Sept. 18**
- *Keys to Successful Grant Writing for Postdocs*
  - Wednesday, September 18, 2013, Noon-2pm  
McKnight Brain Institute DeWeese Auditorium (Room LG-101A)

Critical information and advice from experienced NIH and NSF grant reviewers

Join our panel of experts for a unique opportunity to gain valuable advice on writing successful grant proposals. The ability to secure funding is a key skill that prospective academic employers value as highly as your publication record. The experience gained in writing a proposal, developing a budget and managing a project are all highly transferable to the private sector.

*Come to this workshop and enjoy a light lunch in honor of Postdoc Appreciation Week!*

- [Workshop Flyer \(Landscape\)](#) (.pdf)
- **Postdoc Start of the Year Mixer: Sept. 18**

A big welcome to Postdocs old and new, we are having a postdoc mixer to welcome in the new academic year and to kick things off we are going to pay a visit to the Alehouse on Archer Road. Hope to see many of you there.

Time: 7pm

<http://www.millersalehouse.com/location/gainesville-ale-house>

*Submitted by Will Puszyk, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs Social Chair*

## Experimental Pathology Postdoctoral Symposium

October 24, 2013, 1-5pm

Showcasing all of the current research conducted within the Experimental Pathology Division.

- **Oral Presentations by Postdoctoral Associates**  
Room 6120 of Shands, 1-3pm
- **Keynote Address: Dr. Rafael Munoz-Carpena**
- **Poster Reception**  
Founder's Gallery, 3:30pm-5:00pm

Light refreshments and beverages provided

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*Submitted by Sarah H. Kazlauskas, Department of Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine*

## **GAIN Monthly Luncheon Speaker: Chris Morton co-founder and CEO of NanoPhotonica**

Time: September 25, 2013 from 11:30am to 1pm

Location: Embers

Street: 3545 SW 34th Street

City/Town: Gainesville

Phone: 352 339-2222

Dr. Christopher Morton has more than 25 years of entrepreneurial and corporate leadership experience in virtually all aspects of the high tech communications industry, including both wireless and wire line applications. He has focused on developing ground-breaking new technologies and using those innovations to create or enhance successful commercial companies.

Dr. Morton is currently co-founder and Chief Executive of NanoPhotonica, a nanomaterials company enabling power efficient, low cost, long lasting products for the flat panel display, solar energy, and other high profile industries. As co-founder and CEO of SkyCross, a leading antenna company serving the wireless device space, he led the company to multi-year double digit growth, achieved trusted supplier status with multiple Tier 1 customers worldwide, and identified and led the acquisition of a Shanghai, China based company. Of equal importance, he led and contributed to the development and market introduction of iMAT, the company's new breakthrough smart antenna technology that has currently won 4 high-profile industry awards.

- RSVP on GAINnet—just login and click “Will Attend” located on the right side of the event page!
- GAIN Stakeholders are \$15.00 and non-Stakeholders are \$20.00
- Click here to [Pre-Pay Online & Make Check in Faster](#) or you can just login and click “Will Attend” RSVP located on the right side of the event page!
- Request Vegetarian type in "Veggie" Subject Line at [CONTACT GAIN](#)

Save the Date: GAIN's Monthly Luncheon Speaker Series takes place the last Wednesday of every month.

Questions? Contact Lee at [leemay@gainnet.org](mailto:leemay@gainnet.org) or 352 339-2222

Visit GAINnet at: [http://gainnet.org/?xg\\_source=msg\\_mes\\_network](http://gainnet.org/?xg_source=msg_mes_network)

## **Woldorf Immigration Law Group FREE Webinar Series**

### **Extraordinary Scientists (E-11), Outstanding Professors and Researchers**

### **(E-12) & National Interest Waivers (EB-2)**

Thursday, September 19, 2013

12:30 - 1:45 PM (PDT)

This session will cover various aspects of self-sponsored options for scientists seeking U.S. permanent residence, including the extraordinary ability classification and the national interest waiver. The employer-sponsored outstanding professor/researcher classification will also be discussed. The webinar will include a detailed review of the distinctions between these green card classifications and information regarding the suitability of each option.

**Moderator:**

Jessica Marks

More information and Webinar registration link:

<http://www.wolfsdorf.com/freewebsinar/>

## Career Development Seminar: Sept. 19

*Academia to Industry: An honest, candid talk about postgraduate career-building*

Speaker: Jeannette Lo, Ph.D.

Post-Doctoral Research Scientist, Bayer Healthcare,  
Global Biologics Research, Molecular and Cellular Immunology

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2013

Time: 4:00-5:00 PM

Location: R3-265

Snacks will be provided

To attend dinner with Dr Lo on Thursday September 19, OR lunch on Friday September 20, please RVSP to [sappelberg@ufl.edu](mailto:sappelberg@ufl.edu) OR [jgilkes@ufl.edu](mailto:jgilkes@ufl.edu).

Both dinner and lunch have limited numbers of spots,  
so sign up is on first come, first serve basis.

*Presented by the Interdisciplinary Program in Biomedical Sciences  
Graduate Student Organization (GSO)*

*Submitted by Sofia Appelberg, Department of Pathology, Immunology and  
Laboratory Medicine*

## American Lung Assn - Senior Research Training Fellowship Award / Biomedical Research Grant - due November 12

I want to be sure you are aware of an two opportunities for funding for post-docs/junior investigators from the American Lung Association. I would like to know if you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, and would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

1.) The objective of the **Senior Research Training Fellowship Award** is to support the training of MDs and PhDs seeking further academic training as scientific investigators with the goal of pursuing a career in pulmonary medicine and lung biology research.

*MD or DO applicants* must also have completed their clinical training, have some research experience, and be in their **3rd or 4th year of fellowship training at the time of application**. Fellows with small amounts of clinical training to complete or clinical activity are eligible as long as they have a minimum of 75% effort devoted to research.

*PhD applicants* must be in their 1st or 2nd year of postdoctoral training at the time of application.

*Persons with medical degrees, whose credentials show that they are on a career track which will not include the practice of medicine*, must be in their 1st or 2nd year of full-time postdoctoral research.

See the website for further eligibility criteria.

Senior Research Training Fellowships are for \$32,500 per award year for up to two years.

The deadline for submissions is November 12, 2013.

2.) The objective of the **Biomedical Research Grant** is to provide seed monies to junior investigators researching the mechanisms of lung disease and general lung biology.

At the time of application, an applicant must hold a doctoral degree and have a faculty appointment or equivalent with demonstrated institutional commitment (salary support, research space). *Fellows are eligible to apply only if their Department Chair can assure a promotion to faculty status by the start of the award.* An applicant must have completed two years of post-doctoral research training by the start of the award.

**Biomedical Research Grants are \$40,000 per award year for up to two years.**

For more information, see <http://action.lung.org/site/DocServer/06-rg-program-description-2014-15.pdf>.

Applications are due November 12.

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can help you with the application.

Margaret Atherton, [matherton@uff.ufl.edu](mailto:matherton@uff.ufl.edu)

*Submitted by Margaret Atherton, UF Development & Alumni Affairs*

## **Postdoctoral Position at Mass. General Hospital / Harvard Med. School**

Postdoctoral Fellow position available at the Center for Engineering in Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital / Harvard Medical School.

[More information](#) (.pdf)

## **National Academy of Education/Spencer Fellowship Program**

**National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program in Education Research** \*\*\* The Postdoctoral Fellowship has undergone an applicant qualification change. Please note the new eligibility requirements pertaining to the date in which the doctoral degree was earned. \*\*\* The NAEd/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program supports early-career scholars working in critical areas of educational scholarship. Fellows will receive \$55,000 for one academic year of research, or \$27,500 for each of two contiguous years, working half time. Fellows will also attend professional development retreats and receive mentorship from NAEd members and other senior scholars in their field. Applicants must have had their PhD, EdD, or equivalent research degree conferred between January 1, 2008, and December 31, 2012. This fellowship is non-residential, and applications from all disciplines are encouraged. Up to twenty NAEd/Spencer Fellowships will be awarded. Additional guidelines and the fellowship application form are available on our website.

Website: [http://www.naeducation.org/NAED\\_080201.html](http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080201.html)

**Deadline to apply: November 1, 2013**

**Contact Information:**

E-mail: [info@naeducation.org](mailto:info@naeducation.org)

Website: [www.naeducation.org](http://www.naeducation.org)

## **Reminder: University of Florida Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn**

Join this [Facebook group](#) for University of Florida postdocs as well as the LinkedIn group: [http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Gainesville-Postdocs-4479251?trk=myg\\_ugrp\\_ovr%20](http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Gainesville-Postdocs-4479251?trk=myg_ugrp_ovr%20)

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## **Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership**

If you did not receive your invitation to join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please [contact Kim Pace](#) to receive an invitation.

[More information.](#)

*Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## Reminder: Postdoc Info Listserv

*Want to receive e-mail prompts prior to postdoc events like the [Postdoc Development Workshops](#) and other postdoc events?*

A listserv has been created for postdocs to receive reminders for upcoming postdoc events. Please e-mail Kim Pace ([kpace@aa.ufl.edu](mailto:kpace@aa.ufl.edu)) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

*Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

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