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

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

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## 2014 Graduate Student Research Day: Call for Judges

- Theme: STANDING OUT, IT'S A RACE TO THE TOP!
- Date: 28 OCTOBER 2014
- Location: Reitz Union Grand Ballroom
- Workshop Rooms: Auditorium, Career Resource Center & The Matthews Conference room

The Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC) will be hosting its Third Annual Celebration of Graduate Research. We would like to extend a special invitation to *postdoctoral associates and fellows to serve as poster judges*. We are in need of highly skilled and specialized individuals with expertise in a wide variety of disciplines to help critique our

graduate student body.

This year's Graduate Student Research Day is themed around **STANDING OUT**. There will be a competitive poster session with cash prizes for the winning posters. This event will also offer a networking workshop with industry contacts, a panel discussion with UF's new preeminent scholars, information on how to get involved with the Three-Minute Thesis competition and much more!

The poster session will be held on Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014. **Judges will be needed for one-hour intervals between 9:30AM - 10:30AM and 1:15PM - 2:15PM.** Judges will be asked to evaluate 3-4 posters during each one-hour session. Lunch will be provided from 12:00PM - 1:00PM for all registered poster judges. This year's Research Day will also include a raffle, and all poster judges will receive one raffle ticket per judging session for their time contribution.

We would greatly appreciate your participation as a poster judge this year. If you are willing to assist in our enhancement of UF's graduate student body, please RSVP to Regina Martuscello at [rmartuscello@ufl.edu](mailto:rmartuscello@ufl.edu).

For questions related to GSAC, contact Khanh Ha at [ha@chem.ufl.edu](mailto:ha@chem.ufl.edu)

[Graduate Student Research Day Information Flyer \(.pdf\)](#)

*Submitted by Khanh Q. Ha, Graduate Student Advisory Council*

## **New Postdoc Orientation Materials Available**

We hope the 2014 New Postdoc Orientation was helpful to those who attended. Presentations and video recordings from the day are available now on the Orientation Website: <http://postdoc.aa.ufl.edu/npo>

If you attended the Orientation, please provide us with feedback on the event by completing this brief survey:

[https://ufl.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_86ronfKHAYjsCdT](https://ufl.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_86ronfKHAYjsCdT)

The survey will remain available until Monday, Sept. 29.

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## **Postdoc Workshop on Grantwriting: Oct. 6**

*Keys to Successful Grantwriting* with Dr. Terrie Vasilopoulos, Assistant Professor, College of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology

Monday, October 6, 3:30pm in the McKnight Brain Institute Conference Room (LG-110 A/B)

Refreshments will be served.

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## **Free Webinars for NPA Members**

The National Postdoctoral Association is pleased to announce that the NPA has partnered with Elsevier to present free-of-charge webinars for NPA members. These webinars cover topics including *using research metrics to develop your career, successful grant writing, and author rights and responsibilities*. This is an excellent and FREE resource for postdocs!

The webinars can be accessed here: <http://view6.workcast.net/register?cpak=1239559235327118>

Not an NPA member? Just email [Kim Pace](#) (see below)!

*Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## UF Office of Research Funding Newsletter

Funding opportunities are published by the [UF Office of Research](#) on their Website and via a weekly funding newsletter:

<http://my.research.ufl.edu/ProgramDevelopment/FundingOpportunities/Opportunities.aspx>

To sign up for the weekly newsletter, visit the link above and click on the sign-up button. Additionally, you can search the Funding Opportunities Website for specific opportunities:

<http://my.research.ufl.edu/ProgramDevelopment/FundingOpportunities/Search.aspx>

*Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## Aging Seminars

### *Anticoagulation Decisions in the Elderly*

Presented by Dr. Mallory Otto

Monday, September 29, 12:00-1:00pm, 2161 Clinical Translational Research Building (CTRB)

Lunch provided

- [Flyer for "Anticoagulation Decisions in the Elderly" \(Mallory Otto\)](#) (.pdf)

### *Appropriate Use of Antipsychotics n Long-Term Care: Making it Work*

Faculty Candidate Seminar Presented by Dr. Michael J. Markus

Friday, September 26, 12:00-1:00pm, 2161 Clinical Translational Research Building (CTRB)

Lunch provided

- [Flyer for "Appropriate Use of Antipsychotics n Long-Term Care: Making it Work" \(Michael Markus\)](#) (.pdf)

## American Lung Association - Funding Opportunities - Due 12/15/14

Our office wanted to be sure you are aware of these opportunities for funding from the American Lung Association. If you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, please let me know -- I would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

The American Lung Association (ALA) offers annual funding opportunities as a part of its Awards and Grants Program. The goals of the Awards and Grants Program are as follows: 1) to foster laboratory, patient-centered and social-behavioral research designed to prevent

and relieve the suffering associated with all lung diseases and corresponding risk factors; and 2) to fund researchers at important crossroads of their careers to gain long-term commitment to lung disease research.

1. **Allergic Respiratory Disease Award (AI)** - The Allergic Respiratory Diseases Research Award is for \$75,000 per year. The second year of support is based on demonstrating satisfactory progress, as well as, the availability of funding from the ALA and ARTrustTM. No IDC's are allowed. At the time of application, the applicant must hold a doctoral degree, have a primary faculty appointment in an allergy/immunology division/section of an academic institution, be undertaking a project related to allergic respiratory disease, and have completed a training fellowship. Applicants must be independent, self-directed researchers for whom their institution must provide space and other resources customary for independent investigators. The application must convey the commitment of the institution to the applicant and the proposed research activities. Applicants may be at any level of research experience but priority will be given to applicants at or below the rank of associate professor. A letter of intent is not required for the Allergic Respiratory Disease Award. For more information: <http://www.lung.org/assets/documents/grant-descriptions/2015-16/american-lung-association.pdf>
2. **Biomedical Research Grant (RG)** : 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. The Biomedical Research Grant is for \$40,000 per year. A letter of intent is not required for the Biomedical Research Grant. For more information, <http://www.lung.org/assets/documents/grant-descriptions/2015-16/biomedical-research-grant.pdf>
3. **Clinical Patient Care Research Grant (CG)** - The objective of the Clinical Patient Care Research Grant is to provide seed monies to junior investigators conducting trials for the improvement of patient care and treatment for lung disease. The Clinical Patient Care Research Grant is for \$40,000 per year. A letter of intent is not required for the Clinical Patient Care Research Grant. For more information, <http://www.lung.org/assets/documents/grant-descriptions/2015-16/clinical-patient-care-program.pdf>
4. **Dalsemer Research Grant (DA)** - The objective of the Dalsemer Research Grant is to provide seed monies to junior investigators researching the mechanisms and biology of interstitial lung disease. The Dalsemer Research Grant is for \$40,000 per year. A letter of intent is not required for the Dalsemer Research Grant. For more information, <http://www.lung.org/assets/documents/grant-descriptions/2015-16/dalsemer-research-grant.pdf>
5. **Senior Research Training Fellowship (RT)** - The objective of the Senior Research Training Fellowship Award is to support the training of recently graduated MDs and PhDs seeking further academic training as scientific investigators researching the mechanisms of lung disease and general lung biology. The Fellowship Award is for \$32,500 per year. Grants are subjected to annual review and may be granted for two years. A letter of intent is not required for the Senior Research Training

Fellowship Award. For more information,

<http://www.lung.org/assets/documents/grant-descriptions/2015-16/senior-research-training.pdf>

6. **Social Behavioral Research Grant (SB)** - The objective of the Social Behavioral Research Grant is to provide seed monies to junior investigators working on various disciplines of social science examining risk factors affecting lung health including: Psychosocial research, Behavioral research, Health services and health policy research, Epidemiology / Biostatistics research, Public Health Education research. The Social Behavioral Research Grant is for **\$40,000 per year**. Grants are subjected to annual review and may be granted for two years. A letter of intent is not required for the Social Behavioral Research Grant. For more information, <http://www.lung.org/assets/documents/grant-descriptions/2015-16/social-behavioral-research.pdf>

All applications must be submitted electronically through proposalCENTRAL. The deadline for submission is December 15, 2014.

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

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## **Pancreatic Cancer Action Network-AACR - funding opportunities due 10/8, 10/15 and 10/29/14**

Our office wanted to be sure you are aware of these opportunities for funding from the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR). If you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, please let me know -- I would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

1. **Pathway to Leadership Grant** - The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network-AACR Pathway to Leadership Grant represents a joint effort to ensure the future leadership of pancreatic cancer research by supporting outstanding early career investigators beginning in their postdoctoral research positions and continuing through their successful transition to independence. Applicants must have started their postdoctoral or clinical research fellowship on or after July 2, 2010; i.e., the grant recipient must be in the first 5 years of their fellowship at the start of the grant term, and not already have a full-time tenure track assistant professor position (or equivalent). **The Pathway to Leadership Grant provides up to five years of support, for a total of \$600,000**, consisting of two phases. The initial Mentored Phase lasts up to two years, during which time the recipient will receive \$75,000 per year and is expected to work closely with a mentor(s) to develop a strong research

project. During the subsequent three years, the recipient is expected to be in independent research position and will be funded at \$150,000 per year. It is anticipated that one Pathway to Leadership Grant will be funded. No indirect costs are allowed.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** October 29, 2014 at noon, Eastern Time

**DECISION DATE:** March 2015

For more information, <http://www.pancan.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2015-P2L-PG.pdf>

2. **Career Development Awards** - The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network-AACR Career Development Awards represent a joint effort to encourage and support junior faculty who have completed their most recent doctoral degree or medical residency within the past 11 years at the start of the grant term to conduct pancreatic cancer research and establish successful career paths in this field. The research proposed for funding may be basic, translational, clinical or epidemiological in nature and must have direct applicability and relevance to pancreatic cancer. **The grants provide \$200,000 over two years (\$100,000 per year)** for expenses related to the research project, which may include salary and benefits of the grant recipient, postdoctoral or clinical research fellows, graduate students and/or research assistants, research/laboratory supplies, equipment and publication charges for manuscripts that pertain directly to the funded project. No indirect costs are allowed. It is anticipated that multiple Career Development Awards will be funded.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** October 29, 2014 at noon, Eastern Time

**DECISION DATE:** March 2015

For more information, <http://www.pancan.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2015-PanCAN-CDA-PG.pdf>

3. **Research Acceleration Network Grant** - The goal of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network-AACR Research Acceleration Network (RAN) Grant is to provide funding and strategic assistance to a research project with the potential to double survival for pancreatic cancer by the year 2020. This project must be implemented by a multi-institutional team and include a clinical component with an endpoint relevant to improving the detection or treatment of pancreatic cancer. The RAN Grant will provide \$1,000,000 in funding for direct and indirect expenses related to the research project over a 1-3 year timeframe. In addition to the grant, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network will provide strategic project management support to help optimize project implementation and progress during the grant term. It is anticipated that at least one Research Acceleration Network (RAN) Grant will be funded.

**LETTER OF INTENT DEADLINE:** October 8, 2014 at noon, Eastern Time

**APPLICANTS NOTIFIED OF DECISION STATUS OF LETTER OF INTENT:** Mid-November 2014

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** (for those invited to apply based on the Letter of Intent): January 14, 2015 at noon, Eastern Time

DECISION DATE: March 2015

For more information, <http://www.pancan.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2015-RAN-LOI-PG.pdf>

4. **KRAS Fellowship** - The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN) and the National Cancer Institute's (NCI) Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research (FNLCR) have joined together to award a Fellowship to a postdoctoral or clinical research fellow to conduct a research project that has a structural-based approach to the KRAS mutants that are relevant to pancreatic cancer (e.g., G12D and G12V). The selected postdoctoral or clinical research fellow will receive \$45,000 over one year for direct research expenses.

**E-APPLICATION DEADLINE:** October 15, 2014 at Noon, Eastern Time

**DECISION DATE:** December 15, 2014

For more information, <http://www.pancan.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2015-KRAS-Fellowship-Program-Guidelines-and-Application-Instructions.pdf>

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

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## **Authors @ UF: A Conversation with Christopher Silver**

Scholar - Professor - Administrator

College of Design, Construction and Planning

### ***Planning the Good City: A Global View***

Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2014

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Smathers Library (East), Room 100

*Sponsored by the Smathers Libraries Campus Conversations*

*Free and open to the public. Light refreshments provided*

Author of five books, Christopher Silver examines the intersection of the planning process, public policy, government intervention and the effects on cities, communities and the natural environment. His most recent publication, *Planning the Megacity: Jakarta, Indonesia in the Twentieth Century* (2011) examines the dramatic urban transformation

during the past century, from the compact colonial capital of Batavia, into a sprawling modern "megacity" of the Indonesian archipelago.

Promotional video

*Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries*

## **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: 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: 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."

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