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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 or (352) 392-0003.



Biotechnology Literacy Day **What is biotechnology?**

Postdocs - This is a great event to attend to experience great presentations by experts communicating science, issues and policy to the general public. You are highly encouraged to take part in this topical and informative

event!

If you're confused about biotechnology, genetically modified organisms, and the role that science plays in food production, there's an event designed just for you.

On June 18, UF/IFAS presents Biotechnology Literacy Day, a free event where experts will discuss genetic modification technology, its safety and effectiveness, and its role in the world's food supply.

Wednesday, June 18, 2014

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Emerson Hall

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1430250093912296/>

[Event Flyer \(.pdf\)](#)

Submitted by Pam Bobilin, UF Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences

Rheumatology Research Foundation - funding opportunity due 8/1/14

We wanted to be sure you are aware of an opportunity for funding from the Rheumatology Research Foundation. 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.

Scientist Development Award

This mentored post-doctoral fellowship program provides support for salary as well as research and/or education costs for the early years of research training in an environment where trainees may interact with established investigators in a clinical unit involved in the care of rheumatic diseases. The goal of funding at this level is to provide an opportunity for young scientists to embark on focused research and research training that will allow them to be competitive for the next level of career development awards. Through this award, the Foundation provides a means for ensuring more qualified, highly-trained investigators in the field of rheumatology. Award Amount: Up to \$225,000 for up to 3 years.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.rheumatology.org/ACR/foundation/awards/rsda.asp>

All applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM ET on the deadline day - August 1, 2014

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

Margaret Friend | Director of Development

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Reminder: GatorCare Changes to Dependent Coverage Level Must be Made by June 15

Postdocs enrolled in GatorCare Options are reminded that if you currently have dependent coverage and would like to change your coverage tier to employee only (individual), please notify the Post Doc Benefits Office by 6/15/2014. Otherwise, a biweekly payroll deduction of \$90 will begin for Post Docs with dependent coverage on the July 11, 2014 paycheck.

You may also make a change to your plan coverage level during Open Enrollment or if you experience a qualifying status change (QSC).

Contact UF's Human Resource Services' GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu.

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

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 (kpac@aa.ufl.edu) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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