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Office of Postdoctoral Affairs



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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 hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu or (352) 392-0003.

National Postdoc Appreciation Week

NEW POSTDOC ORIENTATION: September 15-19 is [National Postdoc Appreciation Week](#)! The University of Florida provides a [New Postdoc Orientation](#) today at Emerson Alumni Hall to welcome all new postdocs to UF. All postdocs, whether you registered to attend the NPO or not, are invited to hear the keynote address by Dr. Chris Hass on "Branding Your Postdoc Before Your Postdoc Brands You" in the Emerson Alumni Hall Presidents Room. Dr. Hass's keynote and workshop will begin at 12:30pm.

POSTDOC SOCIAL TONIGHT: The next Postdoc Social take place the evening of September 16th. We will be meeting at Five bar in the Downtown area at 7:30 pm.

<http://five-bar.com/gainesville/>

Please go to the [Postdoc Facebook page](#) and like or comment on Will's post to give an estimate as to how many postdocs will be attending. We hope to see many new

postdocs and "old" postdocs alike at the social!

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

CRC Workshops for Grad Students and Postdocs

Postdocs are welcome to attend two workshop series for Graduate Students provided by the Career Resource Center. One series focuses on finding jobs in Academia. [Academic Workshop Series](#) (.pdf) The other series addresses issues specific to international graduate students and postdocs. [International Workshop Series](#) (.pdf)

- [So You Want to Work in Academia... The Academic Job Search.](#) Tuesday, October 7, 4:00-5:00 pm CRC Library
- [Applying for a PhD](#), Wednesday, October 15th, 4:00 -5:00 pm CRC Library
- [The Academic Curriculum Vitae \(CV\) & Cover Letter.](#) Thursday, October 23, 4:00-5:00pm CRC Library
- [Voices from Academia: Career Panel & Networking.](#) Tuesday, October 21st, 4:00-6:00pm CRC Library
- [Developing a Teaching / Research Statement.](#) Thursday, November 6th, 4:00 -5:00pm CRC Library
- [The Academic Interview Strategies for Success](#), November 18th, 4:00-5:00 pm CRC Library
- [Applying for Academic Jobs for Graduate Students - Interview Day Etiquette and Dress for Success](#) Wednesday, December 3rd, 4:00-5:00 pm CRC Library
- [Graduate Student Etiquette Dinner](#), Tuesday, December 9th, 4:00-6:00 pm CRC Library

All workshops are held in the Career Resource Center located on the 1st floor of the Reitz Union. If you can't attend, you can view additional resources and videos of some past panels on our website:

<http://www.crc.ufl.edu/students/studentGraduateStudentWorkshops.html>

Career Resource Center International Workshop Series:

- [OPT/CPT Information Session](#)
Thursday, Sept 18th 10-11:30 am & 1-2:30 pm
Friday, Sept 19th 10-11:30 am & 1-2:30 pm
- [Career Fair Boot Camp for International Students](#)
Tuesday, Sept 16th 4-5pm
- [International Students and the Job Search](#)
Tuesday, Nov 5th 4-5pm
- [International students interviewing for Success](#)
Tuesday, Sept 23 4-5pm

Monday, Dec 1st 4-5pm

- Employment Based Visa Presentation-Attorney Aaron Bloomberg

Thursday, November 13th 2-4:30pm

Please RSVP online on Gator Career Link System. To RSVP, log in to Gator CareerLink at crc.ufl.edu, click on "events," select "workshops." If you have any questions about the presentation or your RSVP please e-mail Liz Kazungu Assistant Director for Career Development at lizk@crc.ufl.edu

More Information about the Fall 2014 CRC Workshops

- Jobs in Academia Workshop Series
- International Workshop Series

Submitted by Liz Kazungu, Career Resource Center

Burroughs Wellcome Fund "Preterm Birth Initiative" RFP - due December 1

I want to be sure that you are aware of a funding opportunity from the Burroughs Wellcome Fund. Please forward this note to anyone else who might be interested. If you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, please let me know -- I would be happy to help with it.

Preterm Birth Initiative

\$600,000 over 4 years (\$150K per year), no IDC's

Award Timeline

Dec. 1, 2014 - Proposal due

Feb. 23, 2015 - Finalists selected

April 15, 2015 - In-person interviews

June 1, 2015 - Award begins

The Preterm Birth Initiative was created to increase the understanding of the biological mechanisms underlying parturition and spontaneous preterm birth. The initiative is designed to stimulate both creative individual scientists and multi-investigator teams to approach the problem of preterm birth using creative basic and translation science methods. Postdoctoral fellows nearing their transition to independent investigator status through senior established investigators are encouraged to apply. Molecular and computational approaches such as genetics/genomics, immunology, microbiology, evolutionary biology, mathematics, engineering, and other basic sciences hold enormous potential for new insights independently or in conjunction with more traditional areas of parturition research such as maternal fetal medicine, obstetrics, and pediatrics. The formation of new connections between reproductive scientists and investigators who are involved in other areas will give preterm birth research a fresh and unique look, and stimulate a new workforce to tackle this challenge.

Proposals should address the biomedical causes and molecular mechanisms

underlying (preterm) parturition including but not limited to peri-implantational events, placentation, fetal determinants, fetal-maternal immune responses, biological basis for racial-ethnic disparities, mechanisms relating preterm birth to other adverse pregnancy outcomes, biology of normal labor, genomics, evolutionary influences and other approaches. Proposals seeking to identify biomarkers predicting preterm birth are welcome.

Up to five (5) research grants will be awarded in this award cycle.

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

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UF Foundation, Inc.

Submitted by Margaret Cole Atherton, UF Foundation, Inc.

RFA -- National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) -- up to \$154,000 -- due 11/3/14

National Radio Astronomy Observatory

Jansky Fellowships

Up to \$154,000 total over 2 years

Due Nov. 3, 2014

The 2015 Jansky Fellowship Program provides outstanding postdoctoral opportunities for research in astronomy. Jansky Fellows formulate and carry out investigations either independently or in collaboration with others within the wide framework of interests of the Observatory. Prior radio experience is not required and multi-wavelength projects leading to a synergy with NRAO instruments are encouraged. The NRAO also encourages applications from candidates with interest in radio astronomy instrumentation, computation, and theory.

Appointments may be made for positions at any of the NRAO sites: Socorro, NM; Green Bank, WV; and Charlottesville, VA. In addition to appointments at NRAO sites, non-resident Jansky Fellowships may be offered for appointments that are hosted at a university within the United States. Applicants requesting a non-resident Jansky Fellowship should present a compelling case for how their research plans require an appointment at the host institution. Frequent and/or long term visits to NRAO sites are encouraged. Split Fellowships with time spent at NRAO and a university within the US are permitted.

The starting salary will be \$64,260 per year for an appointment of two

year's duration, with possible renewal for a third year. A research budget of up to \$10,000 per year is provided for travel and computing requirements. Fellows are eligible for page charge support, vacation accrual, health insurance coverage, and a moving allowance. In addition, up to \$3,000 per year is provided to non-NRAO institutions hosting Jansky Fellows to defray local institutional costs. Appointments of more than one Jansky Fellow at a single external institution at a given time are strongly discouraged. A list of blocked institutions for 2015 can be found on our website.

More information: <https://science.nrao.edu/opportunities/postdoctoral-programs/jansky>

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can assist with an application.

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

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