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The Science & SciLifeLab Prize for Young Scientists

The Prize is awarded annually to one young scientist for outstanding life science research for which he/she was awarded a doctoral degree in the previous two years. The topic of the entrant's thesis research must be in one of the following categories: Cell and Molecular Biology, Genomics and Proteomics, Ecology and Environment, Translational Medicine. Eligible entrants must have been awarded their doctoral degree in 2013 or 2014, and the subject of their thesis should match one of the Subject Tracks below. The winners from each category will compete for the grand prize.

Prize money: US\$30,000 for the grand prize winner, US\$10,000 for each of the

category winners.

Publication: The grand prize winning essay will be published in Science and essays from the each of the category winners will be published online.

Application deadline: August 1, 2015

For additional information and eligibility requirements, click [HERE](#).

Submitted by Sobha Jaishankar, Office of Research

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July Academic IT Training Available

Instructors are encouraged to register for [academic IT training offered this month](#) to enhance their technology use prior to the fall 2015 term. The summer training schedule offers the latest pedagogical information on teaching and learning with more than 20 sessions. All sessions are free and taught in HUB 221.

New workshops join popular favorites to provide a comprehensive learning environment for both returning and new online instructors. The Canvas Boot Camp is available throughout the summer, with a Saturday session offered each month. The three-hour Boot Camp provides an in-depth overview of the new e-Learning platform, meant to teach proficiency and prepare instructors to launch their courses. Qualtrics and SPSS workshops are available, starting with the basics and advancing to foster program expertise. Other training topics include Respondus, an online examination tool that can save time and reduce cheating, and Peerceptiv, a research-based, peer review tool that can be used within Canvas. Additional [July academic IT training options](#) include (but are not limited to) a three-part series on Peer Review for Teaching and Learning, BigBlueButton, and VoiceThread.

Instructors with questions about IT training may call the UF Computing Help Desk, 352-392-HELP/4357 Option 3, or email learning-support@ufl.edu.

Submitted by Fedro Zazueta, UF Information Technology

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iCAMP Postdoctoral Fellow in Bioengineering - University of Arizona, College of Medicine

Position Purpose: Candidate will assist supervisor in developing innovative approaches for human performance analysis and outcome evaluation based on wearable sensors technology, signal processing, and simplified biomechanical models of the human body. Individual will also be responsible for assisting faculties at the University of Arizona (UA), interdisciplinary Consortium for Advanced Motion Performance (iCAMP) with the preparation of medical/health grant applications to federal and not for profit agencies. Additionally the candidate will assist with collection of clinical and investigational human performance assessments within iCAMP.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities: Assist with development of new techniques for assessing how people move and interact with their worlds via body worn sensors. Conduct human performance assessments within laboratory or clinical

affiliations.

Application Procedures: To apply for this position, email your cover letter, resume or curriculum vitae that includes contact information of three professional references to bnajafi@surgery.arizona.edu. The title (Postdoctoral Fellow) must be indicated in the "subject" line.

Click [HERE](#) for additional information about the position.

Submitted by Bijan Najafi, University of Arizona

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Oman Research Fellowship

The Sultan Qaboos Cultural Center's (SQCC) Oman Research Fellowship Program awards up to \$51,000 annually to a scholar, or team of scholars, to conduct research in Oman for up to one year, and is now accepting applications for the 2016 Research Fellowship Program.

SQCC supports and encourages advanced research on Oman across a variety of academic disciplines through the Research Fellowship Program. Launched in 2010, this program funds scholars across several academic disciplines to conduct research in the Sultanate of Oman.

The program is offered annually and is open to Ph.D. candidates and post-doctoral scholars. The fellowship awards up to \$51,000 for the fellow or team of fellows.

How to Apply

Submit completed application form and supporting materials via [website](#). Have references also submit their letters of recommendation via [form](#).

Deadline

The deadline to apply for the Research Fellowship Program is September 15. The deadline for submission of letters of recommendation is September 18, 2015.

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[Postdoc Funding Opportunities](#)

On the [Resources](#) page of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs website, we have created a Funding Opportunities page which lists all the different types of funding available to postdocs.

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Journal of Postdoctoral Research Postdoc of the Month

The Journal of Postdoctoral Research is excited to announce the creation of our new "Postdoc of the Month" award. Winners will be recognized in that month's

issue, as well as being invited to submit a "Spotlight" article for publication, and being entered into consideration for "Postdoc of the Year." For more information about the award or the journal as a whole, please see the call for nominations at tinyurl.com/postdocaward or email the editor-in-chief, Stephan C. Jahn (a UF postdoc), at editor-in-chief@postdocjournal.com.

Submitted by Dr. Stephan Jahn, Medicinal Chemistry Postdoc

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Postdoc HR Issues:

Insurance and Benefits: If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's [Human Resource Services'](#) GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at benefits@ufl.edu or (352) 392-2477.

Employee Issues: If you are experiencing an issue with your supervisor that is not resolved in your department and need assistance or guidance, please contact Ms. Kim Baxley, Director of Employee Relations, in UF's [Human Resource Services](#). Ms. Baxley can be reached at 392-1072 or kczap@ufl.edu.

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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

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Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you would like to receive an invitation to join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please [contact Cheryl Gater](#) to receive an invitation.

[More information.](#)

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

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