

Postdoctoral Update

Office of Postdoctoral Affairs



OFFICE OF
POSTDOCTORAL AFFAIRS

CONTACT

PAST ISSUES

SUBMISSIONS

OFFICE OF THE
PROVOST

October 11, 2016

- Postdoc Mentoring Awards 2016
- *Mobile Memorials: Carrying the Dead in the Twenty-First Century*
- Collaborating with Strangers on Publishing Workshop
- SSR Position at Genentech
- Mitigating Risk: "Cyber-Security @ UF" Training

- October Postdoc Social
 - Core Concepts in Biomanufacturing and Quality Systems: Applications of cGMPs
 - Postdoc Funding Opportunities
 - Postdoc HR Issues
 - Reminder: UF Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn
 - FREE Affiliate NPA Memberships
 - Houses for Rent: Faculty Housing and Postdoc Housing
-

Postdoc Mentoring Awards 2016

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to announce the continuation of the Postdoctoral Mentoring Awards for outstanding mentors of UF postdocs. The mentoring awards were established to encourage and reward excellence, innovation, and effectiveness in mentoring UF postdocs.

Information about past award recipients and the application for the 2016 award are available on the [Postdoc Mentoring Awards Website](#).

If you wish to nominate an outstanding faculty member for the award, please contact [Cheryl Gater](#), Office of Postdoctoral Affairs Director, with the nominee's contact information.

The deadline for application is **December 15, 2016**.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

[\[top\]](#)

Mobile Memorials: Carrying the Dead in the Twenty–First Century

Candi Cann (Baylor University)

Thursday, 20 October

5:30 pm, Smathers Library 100

In a period when American cemeteries get ever fewer visitors, it is clear that in many communities, grave stones and mausolea are no longer effective ways to commemorate the dead. This talk traces the development of mobile memorials, from tattoos to car decal memorials, as contemporary ways of (literally) carrying the dead around with us, and making the status of the bereaved clearly evident to those around them through a visual marker. In the contemporary world, where one is not given much time off to actually mourn and process a death, or to withdraw from the world to grieve, the practice of displaying one's status as mourner becomes even more valuable. Mobile memorials operate as one way of both affirming one's status as one in mourning and reconnecting the dead with the living.

This event is third in an eight-part speaker series called *Death: Confronting the Great Divide*. This series invites nationally renowned scholars and filmmakers to explore unique cultural and historical confrontations with death.

This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact humanities-center@ufl.edu.

Submitted by Tim Blanton, Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere

[\[top\]](#)

Collaborating with Strangers on Publishing Workshop

Looking for a way to combine forces with others who are interested in publishing? Join staff from the University Press of Florida and the George A. Smathers Libraries for this dynamic interchange of people, interests and knowledge.

The **Collaborating with Strangers on Publishing** workshop will connect graduate students, researchers and faculty during a series of 3-minute speed-meetings. You'll walk away with more resources, solutions and creative ideas than you could have ever imagined.

When: Thursday, October 20th, 9 to 11 a.m.

Where: Smathers Library (East) room 100

Who: Open to graduate students, post-docs, faculty and staff

Seats are limited. Please register if you are interested or pass this on to others who may be interested.

Register here:

http://apps.uflib.ufl.edu/Registration/public_workshops_view_details.aspx?ID=32

For more information: Laurie Taylor at laurien@ufl.edu

Light refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by the George A. Smathers Libraries, the University Press of Florida, and Procter & Gamble.

Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries

[\[top\]](#)

SSR Position at Genentech

We are seeking a creative, highly motivated and science-driven individual with expertise in investigating the functionality of the proteins present in the extracellular environment, including cellular receptors and secreted molecules. The successful candidate will fill a Senior Scientific Researcher position in the Receptor Discovery Biochemistry team within the Proteomics & Biological Resources department. Our group pursues the discovery and functional characterization of therapeutically relevant cell-surface receptors and their interacting partners, identified through our cutting-edge technologies for protein-protein interaction discovery. Key responsibilities of this position will include dedicated hands-on experimentation using cell biology, genomics and immunology, with the ultimate mission to implement and perform innovative functional assays for identification of therapeutic targets within several fast-moving research areas. Genentech provides an exceptional research environment characterized by a collaborative and dynamic community. As such, the qualified candidate will contribute to multidisciplinary teams encompassing other experts from immunology, neurobiology, oncology, protein sciences and additional disciplines, and

will also have the opportunity to publish papers on her/his research. Strongest consideration will be given to candidates whose research and interests include mechanistic and biochemical elucidation of plasma membrane receptor biology.

For more information and to apply go to

<https://www.gene.com/careers/detail/3243062335/Senior-Scientific-Researcher-Function-Based-Discovery-of-Cellular-Receptors-Proteomics-Department> Making the Right Moves Management Series

Submitted by Carla Mavian, Postdoc Associate

[\[top\]](#)

Mitigating Risk: "Cyber–Security @ UF" Training

Daily cyber security threats put information generated by UF at risk. These risks can be greatly mitigated if faculty and staff learn how to recognize and avoid the threats. **Cyber Security @ UF**, a new training offered by UFIT, teaches attendees to recognize and overcome the most prevalent cyber security threats, including phishing and malicious downloads. This 2-hour course is offered several times this month, in both Hub and Communicore locations. Visit <https://training.it.ufl.edu/> and click on the ‘CALENDAR’ link at the top of the page to view dates, times, and locations.

The training covers topics including best practices for sharing data and for managing passwords. The **Cyber Security @ UF** course can also be arranged to be given on-site. If interested in scheduling for your staff or department, please submit an [on-site training request](#) and UFIT training manager Ashley Weser will quickly follow up with you.

Submitted by Fedro Zazueta, UF Information Technology

[\[top\]](#)

October Postdoc Social

Big thanks to those who came out on last Postdoctoral Social at Curia. Attendance was solid and everyone had a great time socializing and networking. However, we got a little scattered and we missed some of you who did attend. We are brainstorming ways to make our group easier to find at large venues. Keep an eye out for future events, as we

look to increase interactions between our peers.

Fall has started, which means it's a great time to get outdoors. Our next Postdoctoral Social will be held **Saturday (October 22, 2016) from 11a to 2p at the North Park of Lake Wauburg** (<http://recsports.ufl.edu/outdoors-adventure/lake-wauburg>). The North Park of Lake Wauburg boasts several activities, including kayaking, sail boating, and volleyball. A number of us will be kayaking. If you like something a little low impact, the area also has cornhole, croquet, bocce ball, etc. all of which are **FREE** to those with a Gator One Card. Alternatively, you can simply hang out and enjoy the company. We will also have an informal picnic, feel free to bring whatever you want to eat and drink, and share (make note of beverage restrictions). Special thanks to Sami and Christine for the idea.

For directions and additional information about Lake Wauburg please refer to their webpage (<http://recsports.ufl.edu/outdoors-adventure/lake-wauburg>). The lake is far south of Gainesville, so if you need a ride please refer to the FB page as the date gets closer. We will try to arrange carpools as the date gets closer.

Backup Social: In case of rain, the social will be moved to Swamp Head Brewery from 1p to 3p. See FB page for updates.

If you have any questions, or would like to pitch a social event, feel free to contact me (cruytingco@ufl.edu). If you need a ride to an event, please refer to the UF Postdocs FB page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/477819595568463/?ref=nf>).

Submitted by Cedric Uytingco, Postdoc Social Chair

[\[top\]](#)

Core Concepts in Biomanufacturing and Quality Systems: Applications of cGMPs

(Graduate Students and Postdocs Only)

Created in response to industry demand for employees who understand the practices and nuances of working in a regulated industry, this course provides future or current employees a comprehensive and applied understanding of how regulatory compliance is built into all aspects of a company. Using a blend of hands-on applications and

lectures, course instructors integrate current Good Manufacturing Practices with core concepts of the manufacturing processes, facilities, quality systems, and documentation to build a solid understanding of the development, manufacture, testing, and release-for-sale of a regulated product.

This **two-day course** is designed to accommodate the busy schedule of students and postdocs. Please use the link below to register (**NOTE:** Registration is limited to 20)

DATE: December 2-3, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$250

<http://biotility.research.ufl.edu/ind-prof/core-concepts-in-biomanufacturing-and-quality-systems.html>

Submitted by Joanne Lopez, CERHB

[\[top\]](#)

[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.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

[\[top\]](#)

Postdoc HR Issues:

Insurance and Benefits: If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's [Human Resource Services'](#) 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.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

[\[top\]](#)

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

[\[top\]](#)

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.](#)

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

[\[top\]](#)

postdoc.aa.ufl.edu