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Phishing Attempts Highest at the Beginning of a New Term

A Research-1 university recently was required to notify a million people that their personal information may have been compromised. The best way to prevent this from happening at UF is to understand what Phishing is and to take precautions to prevent a Phishing attempt leading to a data breach from occurring.

A data breach can involve your research, student records, employee information, or other personal information that the university creates and collects.

Phishing is an attempt to steal information through social engineering, like a dishonest email. Often, the email is made to look like it comes from a familiar group or organization, like the UF Computing Help Desk, but contains a link redirecting you to a website set up to steal log-in credentials, passwords, and other personal information. Some good things to know:

- NO ONE FROM UF WILL EVER ASK FOR YOUR GATORLINK CREDENTIALS AND PASSWORD VIA EMAIL... NO ONE!
- Before clicking a link in an email, place the mouse pointer over the link and inspect the web address the link goes to. If you are suspicious of the web address...do not click!

If you think you received a Phishing attempt in your UF email, please forward it to abuse@ufl.edu. Your local IT support can offer additional advice on Phishing precautions.

Submitted by Rob Adams, UF Information Technology

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[Postdoc Fellow Positions](#)

Bhaduri-McIntosh Lab

The University of Florida, Department of Pediatrics, Bhaduri-McIntosh Research Laboratory seeks a highly motivated Postdoctoral Research Associate to join a team studying DNA replication, damage and repair in the context of Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV) infection and tumorigenesis in human B cells.

Duties will include:

Designing and performing experiments using a variety of techniques including qPCR, qRT-PCR, chromatin immunoprecipitation, cloning, immunoprecipitation, immunofluorescence, Western blotting, FACS, iPOND, and DNA fiber fluorography to address questions related to their project(s).

- Initiating and maintaining cell cultures.
- Maintaining proper lab records.
- Providing guidance and training for undergraduate and graduate student researchers.
- Preparation of manuscripts. May also assist in grant writing.
- Laboratory maintenance, including equipment maintenance, and ordering of supplies as needed.
- Other duties as assigned, which may include attending scientific conferences and meetings.

The laboratory is situated in an academic research building at the main campus in Gainesville surrounded by many excellent labs and core facilities with tremendous training opportunities for cutting edge techniques. Florida is known for its sunshine and outdoor recreation. Gainesville residents can choose from more than 70 nature parks in and surrounding the city to enjoy recreational activities.

Please go to <http://explore.jobs.ufl.edu/cw/en-us/job/503536/postdoctoral-associate-bhadurimcintosh-lab> for more information and to apply.

The Luftig Lab at Duke University

The Luftig laboratory at Duke University School of Medicine seeks a highly motivated postdoctoral researcher with a strong background in virology, molecular cell biology, and/or biochemistry to join our research group studying oncogenic viruses.

<https://sites.duke.edu/luftiglab/>

Our lab focuses on how the human herpesvirus, EBV, co-opts cellular signaling pathways and transcriptional networks to drive activation and uncontrolled proliferation of human B cells. Our work models the earliest steps in viral oncogenesis and aims to understand how the establishment of EBV latency mimics normal B-cell activation and maturation. New projects in the lab also include studies of epithelial carcinogenesis, single cell studies of B-cell infection and live-cell imaging.

We use many different complementary approaches to study the interaction between EBV and the host. We are open to new ideas and creative approaches to tackle the most challenging problems in the field. We have superb shared resources at Duke, including collaborators, that elevate our work by providing technical advice and unique perspectives to approaching biological problems. Our recent accomplishments include:

- Defining the innate tumor suppressor barriers to EBV-mediated B-cell transformation including the DNA damage response (DDR), activated as a consequence of metabolic stress and limiting deoxyribonucleotide pools (Hafez, *Oncogenesis* 2017; McFadden, *PNAS* 2016; Luftig, *Ann Rev Virol* 2014; Nikitin, *Cell Host and Microbe*, 2010)
- Discovery of a new temporal model for EBV transformation - defining regulation of survival and transcriptional control from initial infection through latency establishment in primary human B cells (Price, *eLife* 2017; Price *PLoS Path* 2015, Price, *J Virol* 2012)

The laboratory provides a robust training environment for postdocs and other trainees. It is of the utmost importance that rigorous scientific inquiry be supported with equally rigorous mentoring. This includes opportunities to present your work both internally and at regional, national, and international meetings; an expectation of training junior lab members as techniques and concepts are mastered; and a strategic plan for career development whether in academia or beyond.

Applicants are invited to send their curriculum vitae, summary of past work, and contact information for three references to Dr. Micah Luftig via the posting on Academic Jobs Online, <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/9313>). Please contact Micah at micah.luftig@duke.edu with any questions.

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Submitted by Sumita Bharduri-McIntosh, Pediatrics

Imaging Fellowship Opportunity at Harvard University

Harvard University is seeking life and physical scientists with an interest in imaging to develop innovative imaging technologies, lead biological investigations using these technologies, or both, for an exciting position as a John Harvard Distinguished Science Fellow (JHDSF).

Fellows will work as independent researchers; receive funding to run a small research group; and will be appointed for a three-year term (two year extension after review).

Candidates should have recently completed a PhD in Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Engineering or related areas, or should complete a PhD by the time their appointment begins.

Application Deadline is October 29, 2017

[Learn more and apply](#)

<https://academicpositions.harvard.edu/postings/7801>

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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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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 Mr. Brook Mercier in Employee Relations in UF's [Human Resource Services](#). Mr. Mercier can be reached at 392-1072 or bmercier@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 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.

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