

# Postdoctoral Update

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

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## **Next Postdoc Development Workshop: July 30, 3-5:30pm**

McKnight Brain Institute Conference Room, LG110-A/B

### ***Team-Based Learning: An Exciting & Interactive Alternative to Lecture-Based Teaching***

*With Wayne T. McCormack, Ph.D., Director, Clinical & Translational Science Predoctoral Training Program, UF Clinical & Translational Science Institute and Dept. of Pathology, Immunology & Laboratory Medicine*

Just because most of the teaching you have been exposed to probably involved passive learning via lectures doesn't mean you can't explore using active learning strategies when you begin teaching! Team-based learning is a structured small group active learning method that motivates students through a readiness assurance process to come to class prepared, teaches team skills via experience, and most importantly focuses classroom time on higher order skills such as

problem-solving and decision-making. This workshop will be a great introduction to TBL, and will be conducted in the TBL format. Participants will prepare ahead, take a readiness assurance test, and then engage actively with their assigned team members. The structure, process, and essential characteristics of an effective TBL module will be emphasized. Please read "TBL\_Workshop\_Prereading (PDF)" before the workshop, which is available online at <http://mccormacklab.pathology.ufl.edu/teaching>. By the conclusion of this workshop, participants should be able to:

- 1) Explain the key components of a successful TBL module.
- 2) Outline how they would construct a TBL module from a set of objectives.
- 3) Describe how they might convert a course/lecture they already teach into a TBL module.
- 4) Illustrate how to transform a small group into a productive learning-team.

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## **Angelman Syndrome Foundation - fellowship funding opportunity - due 10/1/14**

Our office wanted to be sure you are aware of this funding opportunity from the **Angelman Syndrome Foundation**. If you or any of your colleagues choose to submit a nomination, please let me know -- I would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

### **The Joseph E. Wagstaff Postdoctoral Fellowship Grant**

\$55,000/yr for 2 yrs

The Angelman Syndrome Foundation strives to improve the lives of those with Angelman syndrome and their families by supporting research on the clinical and basic science aspects of the Angelman syndrome. To that end, ASF seeks applications for postdoctoral fellowships in preclinical, translational, and clinical research on all aspects of Angelman syndrome. The purpose of the award is to promote Angelman syndrome-related research by a young investigator, support novel research initiatives, and further existing Angelman-related research projects.

The purpose of this award is to:

- Promote Angelman syndrome-related research in a young investigator
- Support novel or innovative research initiatives
- Further support and encourage existing Angelman-related research projects

The amount of the award equals \$55,000 per year for two years, contingent on an adequate progress report during the first year.

For complete program guidelines and application instructions, visit the ASF website: [http://www.angelman.org/\\_angelman/assets/File/2014-Angelman-Research-Wagstaff-Postdoctoral-Fellowship-Announcement.pdf](http://www.angelman.org/_angelman/assets/File/2014-Angelman-Research-Wagstaff-Postdoctoral-Fellowship-Announcement.pdf)

Submission Deadline: October 1, 2014

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

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## **NIH NINDS Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce (R25)**

*This is to bring to your attention a recent announcement by NIH NINDS.*

The purpose of the FOA is to invite applications for mentoring and professional activities to advance the careers and neuroscience development of diverse neuroscience researchers.

The goal of the NINDS Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce (NDACDRW) is to support mission relevant development and/or implementation of programs to:

(1) increase the pool of Ph.D.-level research scientists from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in biomedical research who are neuroscience researchers- participation is limited to graduate, post-doctoral and/or junior-faculty career levels only; and

(2) facilitate career advancement/transition of the participants to the next step of their neuroscience careers.

For more information on candidate eligibility, the internal coordination details and a link to the full solicitation, please visit:

<http://my.research.ufl.edu/Applications/FundingOpportunities/ArticleDetail.aspx?id=37588>

Please contact us if we can be of further assistance.

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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](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 ([kpace@aa.ufl.edu](mailto:kpace@aa.ufl.edu)) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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