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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: ORCID Requirement – BGS Needs Your ORCID

An ORCID provides you with a unique identifier that links all your research output (Publications, grants, professional activities), and it is becoming a requirement for manuscript and grant submissions. By making your ORCID public, the graduate program (BGS) can easily track the successes of our students. That makes us better advocates for you to the University Administration, to Granting Agencies, and to our Communities. Learn more and access the form to submit your ORCID to BGS here.

HTRS Student Research Award Applications Now Open
Applications are now open for the **2020 HTRS Student Research Awards (SRA)**, an 8- to 10-week program for medical, PhD, MD/PhD, or PharmD students working on targeted research projects in hemostasis and thrombosis. Proposed projects may be lab-based, clinical or epidemiologic in design. The program includes a $5,000 award stipend plus a $2,000 travel allowance, collaboration with a research mentor, and a presentation at a 2021 professional meeting. Applications are now open. **The application deadline is March 2, 2020.** Up to three fellowships will be awarded. For more details, see the [Request for Applications](https://htrs.smapply.org).

To apply, please visit [https://htrs.smapply.org](https://htrs.smapply.org).

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Next Green Labs Meeting – Freezer Maintenance**

The Freezer Maintenance meeting is scheduled for:

**Wednesday, December 4**

11am-12pm
Clinical Research Building (CRB), Room 302.

We will tell you about the top ways you can improve the lifespan of your freezers while saving tons of energy / fossil fuels / saving the environment with a focus on switching -80C freezers to -70C and switching -40C/-30C to -20C. This will have a HUGE impact on the environment and we will explain the science behind how it will be the same for all of your sample & reagent types.

If we can organize UPenn and make our freezers more efficient enough we can win national cash prizes for the annual Freezer Challenge starting in December. See a preview of the freezer facts that will be shared at the meeting [here](https://htrs.smapply.org).

Lunch will be served; RSVP to Elicia Preston.

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**Neuroscience Public Lecture: OUCH! The Neuroscience of Pain**

Penn Neuroscience graduate students are hosting a public lecture entitled “OUCH! The Neuroscience of Pain” which will feature three 15-minute TED style talks from Penn neuroscience faculty members Drs. Nicholas Betley, Gregory Corder, and Ishmail Adbus-Saboor.

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, December 4th, 6:30pm (Check-in and demos begin at 6pm)
**Location:** Rubenstein Auditorium, Smilow Center for Translational Research Auditorium, 3400 Civic Center Blvd, Philadelphia, PA, 19104
Check-in and fun neuroscience demonstrations will begin at 6pm, and a reception with snacks and refreshments will follow the talks so that the audience can interact with the scientists. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

**Please register for the event here:** [https://upennglia.com/publiclecture](https://upennglia.com/publiclecture).

See you there!

The Public Lecture Planning Committee  
University of Pennsylvania  
phillyneurolecture@gmail.com

**THESIS DEFENSES**

None this week.

**PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CAMB**

Dec. 5, 12 – 1 PM (4054 Colket): **Office Hours: CAMB Vice Chair Craig Bassing.** Contact [Craig Bassing](mailto:Craig.Bassing).  


Dec. 6, 12:15 – 1:30 PM: **CPM Research in Progress Seminar: Megan Blair (Arany lab), Ayon Ibrahim (Arany lab), and Sean Louzon (Korb lab) presenting.** Contact [Kathy O’Connor-Cooley](mailto:Kathy.O'Connor-Cooley).

**NGG**

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

- **New!** Check out this week’s PennNeuroKnow article - [The World in Color](https://upennglia.com/publiclecture) by Sarah Reitz. How do our brains perceive color, and why do some people and animals see color differently?  
- **New!** We are trying to gage interest in diversifying art in Barchi. If you are supportive of adding new, more diverse portraits to Barchi please email [jeni.stiso@gmail.com](mailto:jeni.stiso@gmail.com)  
- Use the new [GFAP form](https://upennglia.com/publiclecture) when making purchases and asking for reimbursements.
EVENTS THIS WEEK
12/04 6pm - 6:30pm (Rubenstein Auditorium, Smilow) - Neuroscience Public Lecture (Demos and Check-in)
12/04 6:30pm - 7:30pm (Rubenstein Auditorium, Smilow) - Neuroscience Public Lecture
12/05 12pm - 1pm (TBD) - Imposter Syndrome Workshop
12/05 5pm - 6pm (CRB 253) - Brain Bee Info Meeting

FUTURE EVENTS
12/11 10am - 12pm (Barchi) - Meghan Healey Thesis Defense
12/12 9am - 2pm - NGG ARC Meetings
12/13 4pm - 6pm (BRB II/III Lobby) - MINS/NGG Holiday Party
12/13 8pm - 11pm (Fuji Mountain) - NGG KARAOKE

CALENDARS
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CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Career Services – Last Weekly Walk-In Session

Please note that this Wednesday (December 4th) will be the last Walk-In session for the semester. It will take place at the usual time and location (12-2 PM in Stemmler 105). Keep an eye out for details on their spring hours!

2020 International Emory Global Health Case Competition – Apply by Dec 13, 2019

The PSOM Center for Global Health is forming a multidisciplinary team of 5-6 students who will travel to and participate in the 2020 International Emory Global Health Case Competition!

This is a unique opportunity for students from multiple universities and disciplines to come together to learn about, develop, and recommend innovative solutions for a 21st century global health problem in competitive and collaborative environment. The trip is fully funded by Emory and the Center for Global Health, and winning teams receive generous prize packages up to $6,000. See the full announcement from the Center for Global Health here.

The competition will take place Friday, March 13 – Sunday, March 15, 2020. If you are interested in applying to be a member of the Penn team, please send your CV & Statement of Interest (500 words max) to Andie Yost at ayost@pennmedicine.upenn.edu by December 13, 2019.
2020 Competition for the iBiology Young Scientist Seminars (YSS) – Apply by Dec 16, 2019

Applications are now open for the 2020 Competition for the iBiology Young Scientist Seminars (YSS)! This is a video series produced by iBiology that features early-career scientists giving talks about their research and discoveries. Applications must be received by December 16, 2019 (11:59pm PT) to be considered. Learn more here.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Dec. 6, 4 – 5 PM (SAIL Room, 111 Levin Building): “Negotiating Your Job Offer” with Nazli Bhatia, PhD, Senior Research Fellow (Psychology Dept) and Lecturer (Wharton School of Business). Attend this MindCORE Professional Development event to learn from Dr. Bhatia’s expertise in negotiation. Details here.

CALENDAR
Career Development

RESOURCES
BGS Career Development Site
BGS Career Twitter
BGS Alumni & Current Students LinkedIn
Penn Career Services - Ph.D./Postdoc Careers Page
Handshake
Request a sponsored Membership to the New York Academy of Sciences

STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call for Donations – Recycle Styrofoam Boxes for Cat Shelters!

As the winter approaches, many stray cats in West Philly (~400,000) are prone to suffering and even dying from hypothermia. BGS students have partnered with Project Meow to collect styrofoam boxes, to be recycled as winter shelters for Philadelphia’s stray cat population. If you have a box in the lab, please email jscoku@gmail.com or lascnm2004@yahoo.com to arrange a timely pick up!

The box should fit about two big cats. Please see flyer for example.
EVENTS THIS WEEK

Dec. 2, 5:30 PM (CRB 302): **BGS Game Night** – Join BGS Social Gaming for their Year-End Board Game Night! Pizza and drinks provided. Bring yourselves, bring your games, bring your competitive side. To stay up-to-date, join the [mailing list](#). See flyer [here](#).

Dec. 2, 7 – 8 PM (103 Williams Hall): **Lambda Grads Joy Hour** - Make your own snowglobe with Lambda Grads! The LGBTQIA+ group for graduate students at UPenn is hosting a "First Monday" Joy Hour. They will provide DIY craft supplies, snacks, and non-alcoholic drinks. See flyer [here](#).

Dec. 3, 12 – 2 PM (BRB 14th Floor Lounge): **PSPDG Science Communication Workshop 3: Presentation Skills** – This 2-hour workshop will teach design principles backed by research on the psychology and neuroscience of multimedia learning. Lunch is provided, and [RSVP is required](#).

Dec. 3, 5:30 PM (BRB 252): **BGSA General Assembly Meeting**. See flyer [here](#).

Dec. 4, 12 – 1 PM (Class of ’62 Auditorium, JMB): **SACNAS Women in Science Seminar – Dr. Montserrat Anguera**, Associate Professor at Penn Vet will talk about her personal experience leading to and having a career in academia. Everyone is welcome to attend! Lunch will be provided. Co-organized with BGSA. See flyer [here](#).

Dec. 6, 5:30 PM (Barchi Library, John Morgan Building): **SACNAS Public Speaking Seminar Finale: PowerPoint Roulette Happy Hour!** Join SACNAS for a fun evening of food, drinks, and improvised non-scientific presentations! Show off your public speaking skills in a fun way! There will be prizes for the best presenters. If you are interested in participating in either presenting, making powerpoint slides, or both, please fill out this [form](#). See flyer [here](#).

FUTURE EVENTS

Dec. 10, 5:30 PM (Johnson Foundation Library – 2nd Fl Anatomy Chemistry Bldg): **PSPDG General Meeting and Holiday Party**. Unwind at our holiday party starting after a brief general meeting. Prizes awarded to the best holiday sweater and best baked good! Potluck styled, with some food & drinks provide. See flyer [here](#).

RESOURCES

- Request a sponsored Membership to the New York Academy of Sciences
- Slack for BGS Students
- BGSA Website
- Calendar of BGSA Events
- Grad Center at Penn
- Family Center at Penn
- Book Penn Rooms
- The Community Impact Fund
For information about upcoming events or to advertise in next week’s bulletin, contact **Rebecca Lopez**.