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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Onsite CAPS Counselor for BGS Students - Wednesdays, 12:00pm-4:00pm

Reminder: BGS has arranged for a counselor from [Counseling and Psychological Services \(CAPS\)](#) to be available to meet on site with BGS students on **Wednesdays from noon to 4:00pm Smilow Conference Room 1-103** (in the hallway south of Rubenstein Auditorium). Tiffany Brown, PhD, is a psychologist at CAPS who will provide confidential services every Wednesday afternoon through August 7th. She will work with BGS students to provide initial consultation, support, brief counseling, and referral services.

In order to set up an appointment with Dr. Brown, you may call CAPS at 215-898-7021 and let them know you would like to meet with Dr. Brown onsite in the PSOM. Alternatively, you may email her directly at nicobr@upenn.edu to make an appointment. All of the meetings will be held in Smilow

Conference Room 1-103 (in the hallway south of Rubenstein Auditorium). If the door is open, you may walk in and schedule an appointment with Dr. Brown, in person, for the same day or a future date.

We know how busy your schedules are and we hope that having a counselor onsite will be useful. You will still have the option of going to CAPS at 3624 Market Street, and you may call CAPS at any time, 215-898-7021, and talk to a clinician. If you have questions, please contact Judy Jackson at jajackso@penncare.upenn.edu

New NIA Pre-doctoral Funding Mechanism for 3rd and 4th Year Students

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) has recently announced a new initiative to support transition of outstanding graduate students, from a wide range of research areas, into aging-related postdoctoral research.

Below are some highlights of the Transition to Aging Research Award for Postdoctoral Students (F99/K00) program: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-20-009.html>

- Predoctoral students at their 3rd and 4th year of PhD, regardless of their research focus, are eligible to apply.
- Visa holders with proper institutional support letter are also eligible to apply for this opportunity; refer to the 'eligibility' section of the announcements for more details.
- The program has two phases: Dissertation (F99, up to 2 years) and aging-related postdoctoral (K00, up to 4 years) phases.

Application Due Date: **October 22, 2019, by 5:00 PM**

If you are interested to know more about this FOA or have any specific question, please contact Shahrooz.vahedi@nih.gov.

Request a sponsored Membership to the New York Academy of Sciences

To support your professional and career development, the Perelman School of Medicine will sponsor interested students, postdocs, faculty and staff for **complimentary 1-year Membership** to one of the oldest and most prestigious scientific organizations in the United States, the [New York Academy of Sciences](#).

**[TO REQUEST A SPONSORED
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As an Academy Member, you'll benefit from free/discounted access to:

Cutting Edge Content: [publications](#), [eBriefings](#), and [webinars](#) featuring the latest research presented at the New York Academy of Sciences

Career Readiness Training: online courses, webinars and other [career resources](#) to help you acquire the skills needed to succeed in a STEM-related field

Networking & Resume Building: opportunities to [present your research](#), apply for Travel Fellowships, qualify for intensive leadership training, or [request a mentor](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chemistry-Biology Interface Summer Retreat

The Fellows of the Chemistry-Biology Interface Training Grant would like to invite you to join us for our **2019 Chemistry-Biology Interface Summer Retreat on Friday, July 26th, which will be held at the University of the Sciences, in the McNeil Science and Technology Center Auditorium, 4308 Woodland Ave, Philadelphia 19026.** The symposium will take place from 9:30am - 5:15pm, and will include breakfast, lunch, and a reception during the afternoon poster session. We are currently accepting abstract submissions for short (20 min) oral presentations as well as poster presentations from graduate students and postdocs. Talks and posters may cover any topic within Chemistry and Biology. The deadline to apply for an oral presentation is Friday July 12th, and the deadline to apply for general registration or to apply for a poster is Friday July 19th.

Our keynote speakers this year are **Martin Wuhr** from Princeton, **Daniel Hebert** from the University of Massachusetts Amherst, and **Ralph Kleiner** from Princeton. The abstracts of the keynote speakers are in the [attached flyer](#).

Please register using the following link: <https://forms.gle/f6atE2q3ncyP2PsKA>.

You can visit our CBI website (<https://www.med.upenn.edu/cbit32/>) for information on past symposia. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Please also mark your calendars for the CBI Fall Symposium, scheduled for Friday November 15th, 2019.

THESIS DEFENSES

July 17, 3 PM (Class of '62 Auditorium, JMB): **Bailey Baumann (CAMB), "Pathways to pathologic retinal iron accumulation: Blood, guts and the immune system."** Contact [Kathy O'Connor-Cooley](#).

July 18, 11 AM (Class of '62 Auditorium, JMB): **Prasanna Modayur Chandram (CAMB)**, “Mechanisms underlying alcohol-mediated cellular injury in esophageal keratinocytes.” Contact [Kathy O’Connor-Coolley](#).

July 19, 12:30 PM (Barchi Library, 140 JMB): **Ian McLaughlin (NGG)**, “The Interpeduncular Nucleus Regulates Baseline Anxiety Levels.” Contact [Christine Clay](#).

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMB

July 18, 12 PM (4054 Colket): **Office Hours: CAMB Vice Chair Craig Bassing**. Contact [Craig Bassing](#).

NGG

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Check out this PennNeuroKnow [article](#), written by NGG students!
- Don’t forget to pick up your NEW NGG T-SHIRT. They are located in Tom's old office.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- 7/19 12:30 (Barchi): Ian McLaughlin Thesis Defense

CALENDARS

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CAREER DEVELOPMENT

University of Rochester Post-Doctoral Career Advancement Opportunity

RocDocs is a Post-Doctoral Career Advancement initiative. Graduate students nearing the completion of their studies and early career postdoctoral scholars are invited to apply to attend the two-day event, share their research, and take part in professional development programming and networking. With [over 50 host faculty](#), doing cutting edge research in a wide range of disciplines; RocDocs offers participants a vibrant and stimulating research environment. The event will take place **September 18-20, 2019** and will be held in conjunction with the National Post-Doctoral Appreciation Week.

They are especially interested in scholars from underrepresented groups in STEM. For further details, see: <https://www.rochester.edu/diversity/rocdocs/>. **Applications are due on August 5, 2019.** The [Facebook event page](#) has more information and a link to the application.

Please direct any and all questions to dei@rochester.edu.

Postdoc Preview - UM Medical School Postdoc Recruitment event

The University of Michigan Medical School will host its next postdoctoral recruitment event **October 10-11, 2019**. They invite senior graduate students to apply to attend [Postdoc Preview](#).

Postdoc Preview introduces upper-level graduate students in the biomedical sciences to the excellent research and training opportunities at the University of Michigan. During a fully-funded visit, recruits interview with two or more prospective mentors, learn about NIH-funded training programs, and network with current postdocs ([tentative schedule here](#)). Applicants are selected from a national pool of highly qualified individuals who expect to complete their thesis research over the course of the next year and be U.S. citizens or permanent residents or be currently enrolled in a U.S. graduate institution. The UM Office of Postdoctoral Studies sponsors and manages the logistics of their visit.

Applications for the event can be found at <https://postdocpreview.smapply.io/>. **Deadline: August 5, 2019.** Please contact postdocoffice@med.umich.edu with questions.

Opportunity for senior graduate students or recent postdocs - OSU Postdoc Recruiting Event:

Applications are now being accepted for the Ohio State University 2019 Fall **Postdoctoral Recruitment Event**, being held **October 23-25, 2019**. This event will provide an excellent opportunity for outstanding postdocs and PhD students from leading graduate programs to meet research faculty, interview for open postdoctoral positions and discover the exciting and innovative research taking place at The Ohio State University and the Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH). Selected candidates will visit the Ohio State campus, network with current OSU and NCH postdocs, present their research, interview with prospective mentors, and learn more about postdoctoral opportunities at Ohio State. Full funding will be provided for travel expenses and candidates may be considered for a variety of opportunities, including fellowships, training grants, and other internal training programs.

Application for this event is open until **September 9th** and is available to postdocs or senior graduate students who have completed or expect to complete their PhD between December 2018 and May 2020. Any candidates in the US (visa status does not matter) can apply and we are especially interested in reviewing applications from US Citizens and permanent residents who are

training grant-eligible and/or who come from underrepresented backgrounds including African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, American Indians or Alaskan Natives, Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders, or persons with a disability.

More information can be found on the web page or the application can be accessed directly through the link below.

<http://go.osu.edu/postdocrecruit>
http://go.osu.edu/pdre_application

The event flyer can be found here: http://go.osu.edu/pdre_eventflyer.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Jeffrey.Mason@osumc.edu or call (614-685-9140).

CALENDAR

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RESOURCES

[BGS Career Development Site](#)

[BGS Career Twitter](#)

[BGS Alumni & Current Students LinkedIn](#)

[Penn Career Services - Ph.D./Postdoc Careers Page](#)

[Handshake](#)

STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENTS THIS WEEK

July 18, 9 AM – 3 PM (Taggart Elementary School, 4th and Porter in South Philly): **OUTREACH EVENT: PGWISE + REFUGEE HEALTH PARTNERS SUMMER SCIENCE CARNIVAL!** For the past four years, PGWISE and Refugee Health Partners (Jefferson) have partnered to put on a day of science fun for 150 kids in the [Migrant Worker Education Program](#). This program serves to supplement and enhance education of migrant worker and refugee children in the South Philadelphia community. Join us as we take them through a day of slime, balloon cars, and more! [SIGN UP HERE!](#) See flyer [here](#). If you have any questions or concerns, please email Kelsey at kkaeding@penmedicine.upenn.edu and Megan at meganfr@penmedicine.upenn.edu.

FUTURE EVENTS

Penn Today Events

To explore a wide variety of academic and social events happening across campus, visit:
<https://penntoday.upenn.edu/events>.

RESOURCES

[BGSA Website](#)

[Calendar of BGSA Events](#)

For information about upcoming events or to advertise in next week's bulletin, contact
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