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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](#).

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](#).

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MEMBERSHIP, SIGN UP HERE**](#)

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](#)

ITMAT Education – TL1/T32 Slots Available for Certificate in Translational, Regulatory, or Entrepreneurial Science

Deadline: October 25, 2019

ITMAT Education's Certificate in Translational Science, Entrepreneurial Science, and Regulatory Science provides PhD students with training to build upon their scientific expertise to understand approaches to translate early discoveries and preclinical investigations into therapeutics. This program is designed for PhD students who wish to pursue careers in academia, the pharmaceutical & biotechnology industry, consulting and legal industries, and federal agencies.

The certificate includes a one-year engagement in a research project (a new research project or as an additional aim to research currently being conducted) and four courses. TL1 appointees will receive one year of funding including a stipend per NIH policy and tuition funding to cover the cost of the certificate.

<http://www.itmat.upenn.edu/certificate/>

Contact Rachel McGarrigle, MEd, rmcg@upenn.edu or Emma Meagher, MD, emma@upenn.edu to learn more.

Please note – students interested in a certificate program should review 'Policies Governing Participation of BGS Students in Certificate Programs.' Authorization is required through the form, 'Authorization to Participate in a Certificate Program.' [Both forms are available here.](#)

Postdoctoral Fellowships for Academic Diversity

The Postdoctoral Fellowships for Academic Diversity are competitive programs intended to increase the diversity of the academic research community at the University of Pennsylvania and The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). While the Penn and CHOP programs have a common application form, they are independently funded and have separate review processes.

Both organizations seek to attract promising researchers and educators from different backgrounds, races, ethnic groups, and other diverse populations whose life experiences, research experiences and employment backgrounds will contribute significantly to their academic missions.

Fellowships are available for postdoctoral training in all areas of study at either Penn or CHOP. STEM applications are encouraged. Successful candidates will receive mentored scholarly and research training as well as courses and workshops to enhance their research success skills and prepare them for a faculty position in a major university.

Apply now for the Penn Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship. The deadline is **November 01, 2019 at 5pm**. More information on eligibility and the application process is available [here](#).

Free Space for Student Groups

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Weekly Wellness Walk

Join Chief Wellness Officer Benoit Dubé today at noon by the Benjamin Franklin statue (outside College Hall) for a Wellness Walk! To see the full schedule of walks for this semester: <http://cphi.upenn.edu/cphi/weekly-themed-wellness-walks.html>

Psychedelic Seminar Series: Using DMT Analogues to Treat Cluster Headaches

Oct. 21, 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM - Benjamin Franklin Room, Houston Hall
New research into psychedelic compounds such as LSD, Psilocybin (found naturally in certain mushrooms), and DMT are showing promising clinical results in treating depression, anxiety, PTSD,

and addiction. In this talk, Quintin Frerichs, researcher at the Qualia Research Institute (QRI), will present preliminary research results in treating cluster headaches with tryptamines.

Open Science event at Van Pelt Library Oct. 23rd

Open Science is a collaborative effort to improve open access to scientific research through multimodal platforms. Open scientific research is in demand not just for those who do not have access, but also creators and researchers who believe in the potential it has to offer. Please join us for a series of presentations to learn more about the evolution of scientific research and open access.

Our diverse panel of speakers will feature: **Theodore Satterthwaite M.D.** Assistant Professor Department of Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine; **Daniel Himmelstein**, Postdoctoral Fellow at Greene Lab, Department of Systems Pharmacology & Translational Therapeutics, University of Pennsylvania; and **Jennifer Stiso**, PhD Candidate for Neuroscience, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

Each speaker will give a short presentation, which will be followed by a Q&A session with all three speakers. We look forward to your attendance and participation!

<https://libcal.library.upenn.edu/calendar/wicshops/openscience>

Psychedelics 101: The Basics, Promises, and Pitfalls of Psychedelics

Oct. 31, 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM - Amado Recital Hall, Irvine Auditorium

Join us in an evening discussion about the basics, promises, and pitfalls of psychedelics. The event will feature a short presentation by the organizers, after which the participants will then break into small group discussions about psychedelics. This event is co-hosted with the MindAlign, an organization that fosters intellectual hub focused on asking questions about the mind and well-being, and applying answers to those questions to society and policy!

Chemistry-Biology Interface Fall Symposium

The Fellows of the Chemistry-Biology Interface Training Grant would like to invite you to join us for our **2019 Chemistry-Biology Interface Fall Symposium on Friday, November 15th, in the Lynch Auditorium (Chemistry Building)**. The symposium will take place from 9:30am - 5:00pm, and will include breakfast, lunch, and a reception during the afternoon poster session. The poster session will be held in Nobel Hall. 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.

Our keynote speakers this year are **Amy Palmer** from CU Boulder, **Eranthie Weerapana** from Boston College, and **Nevan Krogan** from UCSF.

See flyer [here](#). Please register using the following link: <https://forms.gle/3XeQXQkeWcAZ3eQa9>.

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.

Best,
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THESIS DEFENSES

Oct. 21, 3 – 4 PM (Smilow 11-146AB): **Divyansh Agarwal (GCB)**, “**Multivariate Statistical Analysis in Single Cell Transcriptomics.**” Contact [Maureen Kirsch](#).

Oct. 23, 3 – 4 PM (Smilow 12-146AB): **Lillian Lim (CAMB)**, “**Roles of VEGFC and VEGFR3 in lymphangiogenesis and angiogenesis.**” Contact [Anna Kline](#).

Oct. 25, 3 – 4 PM (Austrian Auditorium, CRB): **Colleen Harrington (CAMB)**, “**Harnessing the proapoptotic function of Myc to improve therapeutic responses in chemoresistant B-cell lymphoma.**” Contact [Kathy O'Connor-Cooley](#).

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMB

Oct. 24, 12 – 1 PM (4054 Colket): **Office Hours: CAMB Vice Chair Craig Bassing**. Contact [Craig Bassing](#).

Oct. 24, 12 – 1 PM: **GTV Trainee Seminar: Leon Morales (Stedman/Bennett labs) and Jesse Rodriguez (June Lab) presenting**. Contact [Anna Kline](#).

Oct. 25, 4:30 – 6:30 PM: **CB Happy Hour**. Contact [Kathy O'Connor-Cooley](#).

Oct. 25, 4:30 – 6:30 PM: **G&E Fantastic Final Friday**. Contact [Kathy O'Connor-Cooley](#)

NGG

ANNOUNCEMENT

- **New!** The SFN Social will be **Today, October 21 from 9-11pm**. Please sign up in this [link](#). See location details below.
- **New!** Check out this week's PennNeuroKnow article [Going Under](#) by *Sarah Reitz*. You might be surprised to hear that despite their common use, scientists don't fully understand how anesthetics work! But they seem to tap into the brain's sleep and arousal pathways.
- Use the new [GFAP form](#) when making purchases and asking for reimbursements.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

10/21 9pm - 11pm (Buddy Guy's Legends, 700 S Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL 60605) - Penn SFN Social

10/26 11am - 3pm (Linvilla Orchards) - NGG Apple Picking

FUTURE EVENTS

10/29 5pm - 7pm (Suite 200, Goddard) - NGG/SCAN Mixer

10/29 5pm - 6pm (252 Biomedical Research Building) - NGG Live

CALENDARS

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[BGSA](#)

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

BioSciences Career Fair 2019

The BioSciences Career Fair will take place **October 24, 2019 from 1-4 PM** in the **Colket Translational Research Building** (3501 Civic Center Blvd.) The fair is for all STEM Master's/PhD students/alumni and postdocs. There are many benefits that can be gained by students and postdocs at any stage of their program attending this event.

Register and view the employers who will attend: https://upenn.joinhandshake.com/career_fairs/9858

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Oct. 23, 12-2 PM (Stemmler 105): **Walk-In Wednesdays** with Penn Career Services. [See flyer here.](#)

Oct. 23, 12-2 PM (Biomedical Library, 3610 Hamilton Walk): **#IPSAG Mid-Semester Lunch**. All health sciences students are welcome to attend! Drop by to mingle with your peers in other health sciences programs and health sciences librarians. This event is a part of the InterProfessional Student Advisory Gatherings (#IPSAG), a networking event series for students interested in working in clinical or other health-related settings. [Register here.](#)

FUTURE EVENTS

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](#)

STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Oct. 22, 10:30 AM – 3 PM (Biomedical Library Training Lab): **Edit-a-thon at the Biomedical Library**. During this drop-in event, support a National Library of Medicine initiative by editing health-related Wikipedia pages. No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. Flyer [here](#).

Oct. 22, 12 -1 PM (Class of '62 Auditorium, JMB): **SACNAS Thesis Committee Meeting Seminar**. Learn information about planning for your committee meetings from Dr. Dan Kessler, Chair of the Cell and Molecular Biology (CAMB) program and a panel of BGS PhD candidates. Flyer [here](#).

Oct. 23, 2 – 3 PM (Graduate Student Center Room 305): **Workflow Workshop for Graduate Students**, presented by the Weingarten Learning Resources Center. Feeling overwhelmed with your work load? Struggling with a work/life balance? Wanting to organize your notes, time, energy? This workshop will focus on effective strategies for staying organized as a grad student. Meet other students and share tips and tricks for surviving grad school. Light refreshments will be provided. Register [here](#).

Oct. 23, 8 – 9 PM (Benjamin Franklin Room, Houston Hall): **General Body Meeting – Penn Society for Psychedelic Science (PSPS)**. Welcome to the first general body meeting of the Penn Society for Psychedelic Science (PSPS), where undergrads, graduate students, and faculty will convene to discuss the current psychedelics landscape. The event will feature a brief history of psychedelics, what psychedelics really are, and introduce the Penn community to the newly formed Penn Society for Psychedelic Science. Multiple upcoming events for fall 2019 and spring 2020 will also be announced. This is also opportunity to meet project leaders and get more involved!

Oct. 24, 12-1 PM (BRB 601): **EE Just Biomedical Society Pattaya Lunch & General Interest Meeting**. Come learn about our mission, members, and volunteer opportunities! Lunch from Pattaya Thai Cuisine served!

Oct. 25, 5 - 7 PM (Grad Center, 1st Floor Common Room): **Grad Center, Fourth Friday: Trick or Treat!** Take a break to decorate pumpkins, sample fall beers, and enjoy seasonal treats at the Grad Center's Halloween-themed happy hour! Part of the Fourth Fridays @ Five series. Registration is appreciated to help estimate head counts for food and drinks, but is not required. [Register here!](#)

FUTURE EVENTS

Oct. 29, 12 – 1:30 PM (JMEC 515 EW): **PSPDG Science Communication Workshop 2: Data Visualization**. Learn about the nuisances of effective ways to visualize your data from [Javier Zarracina](#), graphic designer for USATODAY, previously at Vox. **RSVP is required**, and note we have LIMITED space.

Oct. 31, 5:30 PM (BRB 14th Floor): **BGSA Halloween Party!** Join BGSA for Halloween Party on October 31st, 14th Floor BRB. There will be food, drinks, games and costume contest with prizes! See flyer [here](#).

Nov. 5, 1 – 2 PM (Smilow 10-146 AB): **PSPDG Panel Discussion – Science Policy Fellowship**. Have questions about Science Policy Fellowships? Ask them to BGS Alumni who have gone through the fellowships themselves. Dr. Lianna Viccari Mirazayan ST&P Fellowship and is currently is a Science & Politics Fellow at the Eagleton Institute of Policy. Dr. Chris Yarosh did the [AAAS ST&P](#) fellowship & was a [Science Policy Fellow](#) ACS for 2 years.

Nov. 5, 5:30 PM (BRB 252): **BGSA GA Meeting**. We are looking to elect a new GAPSAs representative. Please email bgsa.chair@gmail.com if interested.

RESOURCES

[Book Penn Rooms](#)

[The Community Impact Fund](#)

[Slack for BGS Students](#)

[BGSA Website](#)

[Calendar of BGSA Events](#)

[Grad Center at Penn](#)

[Family Center at Penn](#)

[Penn Today Events](#)

[Ask Isaac: Your Personal IS Guru](#)

For information about upcoming events or to advertise in next week's bulletin, contact [Rebecca Lopez](#).