**SUMMER 2010**

*Skill Training Module: “Introduction to Statistical Analysis of Data”*

JULY 7, 9am – Noon and JULY 14, Noon – 4pm (Wed, Wed), 2010

Faculty Trainers: Joe Hogan, Hernando Ombao

Place: CIT, Room 269

Details: Gain familiarity with statistical software and when to apply them in analyzing your data.

**Mentoring Monthly: F-Series Fellowship Submissions - (Repeat) Info Session for Grads & Postdocs**

MONDAY, JULY 12, 9:30 – 10:30am, 2010

Instructor: Wendy Virgadamo

Place: 121 South Main St, Room 700

Details: Did you miss the last session on F-series fellowships (F30/31 or F32/33) and are planning on submitting sometime this summer or fall and need some guidance on navigating all the instructions, resources, and regulations associated with the application? Join Wendy Virgadamo from the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies this Monday for a repeat session with a walk through the application forms and process to familiarize you with what you’ll need, where you’ll need to get it from, and the resources available to you as you go through the submission process. This session is geared towards those submitting fellowships through Brown, though others are welcome. While the session is not geared toward R36 or K-series applications, much of the forms and content are similar, and may prove useful for those submissions as well.

**EndNote (Bibliographic Manager)**

AUGUST 6, 2010 (Friday); Noon - 1:00 pm

Instructor: Frank Kellerman

Place: Hecker Room at the Rockefeller Library

Details: Using this bibliographic program to build a database of citations to journal articles, books, and other publications. Inserting bibliographic citations within a Microsoft Word document - with the various output styles required by different journals/publishers. Also EndNote Web. Hands-on session.

*Skill Training Module: “Demystifying the PhD Experience: Strategies for Academic & Personal Success in Grad School”*

AUGUST 16th - 20th, 2010 (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri); 8:30 - 11 am

Faculty Trainer: Andrew G. Campbell

Senior Scholar: TBD

Place: J Walter Wilson 202

Details: Become aware of and develop strategies to implement and fully integrate the academic and non-academic skills required to succeed in Graduate School.

*Skill Training Module: “Reading Scientific Publications”*

AUGUST 16th, 18th, 20th, 2010 (Mon, Wed, Fri); 2 - 3:30 pm

Faculty Trainers: Al Ayala, Susan Gerbi

Senior Scholar: Victoria Ruiz

Place: J Walter Wilson 202

Details: Develop skills in interpreting, critiquing, understanding and appreciating journal articles in your field.

**2010 Academic Job Search Kickoff for the Life and Physical Sciences**

MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2010

Place: Career Development Ctr., Hemisphere Bldg, 167 Angell St, First Floor

Co-Sponsor: Career Development Ctr.

**TWO EVENTS**

Finding a Faculty Position for Life and Physical Sciences

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am

Details: Learn from a faculty panel as they discuss essential issues related to the Academic Job Search. Topics to be addressed include: timelines, CVs, cover letters, when to apply for positions, reading job ads, working with your advisor, and more.
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Finding the Right Post-Doc for Life and Physical Sciences
Time: 11:15 - 12:15 pm
Details: Join a faculty panel as they discuss finding the right post-doc to meet your needs as a researcher and scholar. Topics to be addressed include: learning how to find openings; the value of networking; figuring out what your next research step should be; whether or not you should do more than one post-doc; timing the search; and more. Refreshments will be provided, please join us!

Laboratory Safety Training
Tuesday, August 31, 2010
12:00 pm - 2:15 pm
Barus & Holley, Room 190, 182 Hope St.
Laboratory Safety Training is a 3-hour classroom session presented by the University Chemical Hygiene Officer or Laboratory Safety Specialist and covers key elements of the University’s Chemical Hygiene Plan and laboratory safety best practices. Register and go to TrainCaster. If you don’t have a TrainCaster account, contact your Department Manager. You can also contact Jessica_Avizinis@brown.edu or call Jessica at 863-7697.

FALL 2010

FALL 2010 ACADEMIC JOB SEARCH SERIES: Academic Job Search: CV’s & Cover Letters for Life / Physical Sciences
Wednesday, September 1, 2010
10:00 am - 11:00 am
Location: Career Development Center (CDC), 167 Angell Street
Start here to craft a CV that will get the attention of the search committee. The CV is one of your most important job search tools; both the look AND the content matter. The purpose of the CV - in combination with your other supporting documents including your cover letter - is to get you the interview. Samples will be available.

*Skill Training Module: “Essential Laboratory Calculations”
September 7th, 8th, and 9th, 2010 (Tues, Wed, Thurs)
9:00 – 11:00 am
Faculty Trainer: Elizabeth Harrington and Cyrena Gawuga
Location: Smith-Buonanno Room G01
Details: Learn pointers on accuracy, following protocols, and making measurements that are critical to experimental success and reproducibility.

FALL 2010 ACADEMIC JOB SEARCH SERIES: Teaching Philosophy Statements
Tuesday, September 14, 2010
12:00-1:100pm
Location: Sheridan Center (96 Waterman St)
On the academic job market now or in the near future? Then come to this session and learn how to create a persuasive teaching philosophy statement that accurately describes you as an instructor and serves you well during the application/interview process and beyond.

FALL 2010 ACADEMIC JOB SEARCH SERIES: Teaching Portfolios
Tuesday, September 21, 2010
12:00-1:100pm
Location: Sheridan Center conference room
This session will introduce the teaching portfolio and its individual elements, and explain how you can use a teaching portfolio in your search for an academic position.

IACUC 101
Wednesday, September 22, 2010
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12:30 pm to 1:30 pm
Instructor: Ardiane Humolli
Location: RPO Conference Room; 2 Stimson Ave, 3rd Floor
The Research Protections Office offers this course to guide Brown University faculty, students and staff through the process of working with the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) to conduct research with animals. Topics covered will include an overview of the laws, regulations, and policies that govern the IACUC as well as an overview of the Brown University IACUC.

4th Annual Postdoc Resource & Networking Event
Friday, September 24, 2010
4:00-6:00 pm
Place: Andrews Dining Hall
Details: Join us as we honor postdocs on National Postdoc Appreciation Day. Learn about valuable resources & updates on postdoc support while networking with fellow postdocs. Refreshments served.

BEARCORE- Brown’s Ethical and Responsible Conduct of Research program
Tuesday, September 28, 2010
1:30 to 5:30pm
Instructor: Julianne Hanavan
Location: Wilson 102

EndNote (Bibliographic Manager)
Monday, October 18, 2010
4:00 - 5:00 pm
Instructor: Frank Kellerman
Place: Hecker Room at the Rockefeller Library
Details: Using this bibliographic program to build a database of citations to journal articles, books, and other publications. Inserting bibliographic citations within a Microsoft Word document - with the various output styles required by different journals/publishers. Also EndNote Web. Hands-on session.

Postdoc luncheon and Q&A with Dr. Scarpa
December 1, 2010 (W)
11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Faculty Club, Portrait Room
Speaker: Dr. Antonio Scarpa, Director, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services
Details: Informal luncheon followed by Grant Writing Q&A session. Sponsored by Office of Graduate & Postdoc Studies and Office of BioMed Faculty Affairs.
[Register] limited seating

Comparing Zotero, RefWork, and EndNote (Bibliographic Manager)
December 3, 2010 (F)
Noon - 1:30 pm
The Hecker Room at the Rockefeller Library
Instructor: Frank Kellerman & Ned Quist
Details: Compare the three most popular bibliographic programs used to build a database of citations to journal articles, books, and other publications. Limited number of desktop computers. Wireless internet available; bring your laptop for a hands-on session. No registration required.

*Skill Training Module: “Professionalism: Maximizing your Impact in Professional Settings”
Dec 13-16, 2010 (M, T, W, Th)
Tentatively 9:00 - 11:00 am
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Walter Wilson, Room 201
Faculty Trainer: Nancy Thompson
Senior Scholar: Kristin Beale
Details: Recognize and acquire behaviors that promote career success in biology and public health.

SPRING 2011
*Skill Training Module: "Beyond the Hypothesis: "Experimental Design & Critical Analysis"
January 3-7, 2011 (M, Tu, W, Th, F)
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Faculty Trainer: Suzanne de la Monte
Senior Scholar: Diana Lizarazo and Teresa Ramirez
Details: Develop skills in mechanistic hypothesis setting and experimental design.

*Skill Training Module: "Graphic Presentation of Scientific Data"
January 10-13, 2011(M, Tu, W, Th)
3:00 pm – 4:15 pm
CIT, Room 269
Faculty Trainer: Mark Johnson
Senior Scholar: Heather Bennett
Details: Learn how to construct effective graphs that maximize meaningful content and interpretation while simultaneously minimizing distractions.

Navigating the Publication Process
January 20, 2011 (Th)
Noon - 1:30 pm
BioMed Center, Eddy Auditorium, room 291
Panelists: Eric Darling, Elizabeth Harrington, Frank Kellerman, Art Landy, Joan Teno
Moderator: Holly A. Richendrfer, Postdoctoral Research Associate in MCB
Details: Learn key information about processes of submission and review in scientific journals from experienced faculty and library panelists. Bring an brown bag lunch; we will provide refreshments.
BROWN BAG LUNCH; REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED. Come with questions or submit them in advance to Office of BioMed Graduate and Postdoc Studies@brown.edu. Click HERE for handouts.

*Skill Training Module: "Defending Your Research Proposal & Critiquing Those of Others"
January 18-21, 2011 (T, W, Th, F)
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
J. Walter Wilson, Room 201
Faculty Trainer: Jonathan Reichner
Senior Scholar: TBD
Details: Strategies in selecting a strong thesis topic; evaluating your progress; giving and receiving advice.

*Skill Training Module: "Designing and Delivering Scientific Presentations"
January 19-21, 2011 (W, Th, F)
9:00 am – 11:00 am
J. Walter Wilson, Room 201
Faculty Trainer: Kathy Takayama
Senior Scholar: Pamela Gaddi
Details: Gain insight and practice in effective oral communications of scientific results.

Negotiating the Faculty/Post-doc/Job Offer for Sciences Grad Student
February 15, 2011 (T)
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4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
CDC Library, Hemisphere Building, 167 Angell Street
Co-Sponsor: Career Development Center
Details: So you received a post-doc or faculty offer, now what? Who do you negotiate with? What benefits are included and which are negotiable? What about resources and equipment for your research? How do you compare multiple offers, and what is the timeline for negotiating? Join us for answers to these questions and more, registration requested by not required. Refreshments will be provided, please join us!

Academic Job Search : CV's & C/L's for Life / Physical Science
February 17, 2011 (Th)
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
CDC Library, Hemisphere Building, 167 Angell Street
Instructor: Bev Ehrich
Co-Sponsor: Career Development Center
Details: Start here to craft a CV that will get the attention of the search committee. The CV is one of your most important job search tools; both the look and the content matter. The purpose of the CV - in combination with your other supporting documents including your cover letter - is to get you the interview. Samples will be available. Refreshments will be provided, please join us!

Mentoring Monthly: NIH F-Series Information Session
February 28, 2011 (M)
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
BioMed Center, Eddy Auditorium, room 291
Instructor: Wendy Virgadamo, Training Grant Coordinator
Details: This session will offer guidance on navigating the instructions and regulations associated with the F-Series fellowships offered by the AHRQ & the NIH. We will provide checklists and suggested timelines, and acquaint you with the resources available to you through the university. Grads, Postdocs, and staff or faculty interested in the session are welcome!

Mentoring Monthly: Grantsmanship for the Life Sciences - A Faculty Panel Discussion
March 7, 2011 (M)
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm (time for additional discussion afterwards if needed)
Petterutti Lounge, Robert Center, 75 Waterman St, Room 201
Details: How do the reviewers assess grant proposals? How do you go about targeting proposals to funding agency goals? What steps can you take to determine whether your proposal is as strong as it can be? Join us for a discussion of these and other topics from the perspective of experienced faculty who have been on both sides of the reviewer’s table. This is designed to be an interactive format, so bring your questions with you!

Trivia Night
March 16, 2011 (M)
7:00 pm- 10:00 pm
Roberts Center, Underground
Register: Send name, title, department, and team name if registering on a team to OGPS@brown.edu.
Contacts: Susan Rottenberg (3-1614) or Tracey Cronin (3-3281)
Details: Open to all BioMed grad students, postdocs, faculty and their over 21 guests.
Professional DJ and trivia host, Last Call Productions, promises a spirited competition. Come enjoy munchies, beer and wine. Win prizes!
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*Skill Training Module: "Resources, Tools and Basic Techniques in Molecular Biology"
March 3, 10, 17, 24 and April 7, 2011 (Th)
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Place: Salomon Center, Rm. 004 (most sessions)
Faculty Trainer: Michael McKeown, PhD
Senior Scholar: Leon Toussaint

Details: Gain insight into when to apply particular methods and resources for genomic/proteomic approaches.

Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Seminar
April 8, 2011 (F)
4:30 pm
Marcovitz Audatorium, Sidney Frank Hall Room 220
Talks:
Ultraviolet Light Sensing in Human Skin
Nadine Wicks Graduate Student, Molecular Pharmacology and Physiology
Elucidating the Presynaptic Role of Fragile X Related Protein 2
Emily Stackpole Graduate Student, Neuroscience
Details: Join us for two research presentations by BioMed Graduate Students followed by Q&A sessions and a reception afterwards with light appetizers, beer, wine, and soft drinks. Meet your colleagues, reconnect with friends and learn about other areas of research being done in the Division!

NonTraditional Career Panel
April 27, 2011 (W)
4:00-6:00 pm
Robert Student Ctr, Petteruti Lounge (above the Blue Room)
Panelists:
Carlos Bosques, PhD Principal Scientist at Momenta Pharmaceuticals
Bill Campbell, PhD Director and Head of US Operations at Abcam Inc.
Frank DeSilva, PhD Scientific Review Officer at the NIH
David Dore, PhD Senior Scientist at i3 Drug Safety
Sarah England, PhD Senior Scientist (Global Medical Affairs) at Biogen Idec
Daniel Riskin, PhD Presenter on Animal Planet's Monster's Inside Me and Host of Discovery Channel's upcoming series, Curiosity: The Questions of Life
Details: Hear from PhD-holding panelists' about their nonacademic career paths.

Company Tour
Fri, May 20, 2011
2:00pm to 3:30pm
146 Clifford St. in Providence.
Instructor(s): Susan Rottenberg
Seats left: 20 seat(s) available
For BioMed grad students and postdocs Tour a small local biotech company working in a new discipline- immunoinformatics. Hear about how they have harnessed the power of immune modulation for the development of improved vaccines and biotherapeutics. The tour begins with a high-level description of the informatics and immunology work being done on site, followed by a facility tour (labs/informatics space). Free. Space limited.
Details:
1:00pm. Meet to take shuttle from John Hay Library. Must have Brown ID to board shuttle.
2:00pm Tour begins. If you arriving separately, please meet at the building entrance at 146 Clifford Street in Providence so that we may all enter together.
If you have any questions, please contact Susan Rottenberg at 401.863.1614 or via email at susan_rottenberg@brown.edu.

Communicating Your Science
June 15, 2011 (W)
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Andrews Dining Hall (Pembroke Campus)
The Office of Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies (OGPS) is providing a venue for BioMed postdocs and graduate students to participate in half day event focusing on communications skills. The day will include three parts: Hands on Learning Workshop, Keynote Address, and Poster Session:

9:30am - 10:45am
Communications Skills Workshop: David Orenstein and Richard Lewis, PAUR Media Relations Specialists present valuable advice about how to communicate your science. Participants will breakout into small faculty facilitated groups, to practice your elevator speech and receive constructive feedback.

11:00am - Noon
Keynote Address: "Why Stories Matter", Casey Dunn, PhD, Assistant Professor of Biology, Brown University, and creator of the “Creaturecast” website, is this year’s winner of the National Science Foundation’s Alan T. Waterman Award. Dunn’s work on animal evolution and the origins of biological complexity, particularly with deep-sea creatures called siphonophores, holds clues for how complex multicellular organisms, including humans, were formed.

Noon - 2:00pm
Poster Session and Boxed lunches: To provide a forum which will foster discussion and the exchange of ideas, allowing presenters to apply their communication skills, network, and explore areas for collaboration. CALL FOR ABSTRACTS. Due Friday, June 3, 2011 @ 5:00pm.
Details: Boxed lunches provided.

*Skill-based training modules. Registration required.
TO REGISTER go to this page: http://biomed.brown.edu/imsd/ and click on the registration link for the desired module. (The registration site is protected; you’ll need to log-in using your Brown User ID.)