

****Biological Sciences Postdoctoral Association****
****E-Bulletin July 31th, 2008****

Summary:

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1. Scientific Integrity Seminar Series, Tuesday evenings in August
 2. U of C Immunology Postdoc Initiative
 3. University of Chicago Center for Teaching and Learning: Seminar and Workshop on Teaching Portfolios (8/26 and 9/18)
 4. McKinsey and Company Web Presentations
 5. Negotiating The Ideal Faculty Position Workshop (October 2008)- Deadline 8/1
 6. Third Annual Seed Science Writing Contest
 7. Argonne Postdoctoral Research Symposium (9/11-12)
 8. NIH Funding Opportunities and Notices

1. The Scientific Integrity and the Ethical Conduct of Research Summer Seminar Series Presents:

August 5th: "Conflicts of Interest: Research and Industry"
Imre Noth

August 12th: "Ethics of Human Experimentation"
John McConville

August 19th: "Academic Fraud"
Alan R. Leff

*Tuesdays, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm
*Billings Hospital Room W-632

* Hosted by The Section of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine of the Dept of Medicine and the Committee on Molecular Medicine.

* This interactive seminar series is open to the entire BSD community, but may be especially useful for post-doctoral research trainees and junior faculty members with NIH or other research awards who seek training in scientific integrity and ethical research practice.

For more information, contact Cindy Gonzales:
(cgonzale@medicine.bsd.uchicago.edu)

2. Attention Immunology Postdocs!

The Committee on Immunology is starting a new initiative to organize postdocs who identify Immunology as their sub-discipline. To do this, we are assembling a list of all postdocs in Immunology in order to better serve and train postdocs.

If you would like to be on this list and take advantage of this new initiative to organize postdocs, please email Judy Cannon at jlcanno@uchicago.edu with your name, mentor, and email address.

3. University of Chicago Center for Teaching and Learning: Seminar and Workshop on Teaching Portfolios

*Seminar on Teaching Portfolios, August 26, 10am-1pm

*Workshop on Teaching Portfolios, September 18, 10am-1pm

To register online, go to <http://teaching.uchicago.edu/graduate/index.html>, or send an email to teaching@college.uchicago.edu.

Assembling a Teaching Portfolio allows graduate students to think, talk, and write about teaching with precision and sophistication. Teaching Portfolios function both as heuristics for critically analyzing one's teaching performance and as a way for graduate students to practice presenting themselves as knowledgeable, confident, and reflective classroom instructors. This Seminar describes and evaluates potential components of the Teaching Portfolio and involves participants in critical exercises around the construction of the Portfolio.

4. McKinsey and Company Web Presentations

Dear University of Chicago PhD students and Post-docs:

McKinsey & Company is hosting a series of web-based presentations for PhDs to learn more about our company, the work we do and what opportunities in management consulting are available to graduate students.

1. EXPLORING a CAREER with McKinsey & Company

Presentation Agenda:

- * Introduction to McKinsey and our work
- * Personal Account from a McKinsey consultant
- * Group Q&A Session

If you are interested in attending this web based presentations, please go to the link below to find times and RSVP:

<http://www.apd.mckinsey.com/eventsonline>

2. CAREERS for WOMEN at McKinsey & Company

Presentation Description:

In this presentation you will learn about McKinsey & Company and what makes the experience of women at McKinsey unique. More specifically, the presenters will talk about the opportunities they have to make real impact, the support they receive in their personal and professional growth, and the influential network of exceptional women professionals of which they are a part. You'll have a chance to ask questions and understand why other women with backgrounds like yours explored McKinsey as a career alternative, the types of projects they've been working on, and the opportunities for growth they've experienced.

If you are interested in attending this web based presentations, please go to the link below to find times and RSVP:

http://apd.mckinsey.com/jump/online_events.asp

Note: APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application deadline for permanent positions in offices worldwide: 10/5/2008

Please visit our website for more information and to apply:

<http://www.apd.mckinsey.com>

5. Negotiating The Ideal Faculty Position Workshop

* October 5-7, 2008

* Rice University is sponsoring an exciting new workshop for senior women graduate students and post-docs who are interested in pursuing an academic career. A recent study of diversity in engineering notes that "the most accurate predictor of subsequent success for female undergraduates is the percentage of women among faculty members at their college."

* Program is designed to provide participants hands-on experience to enhance their knowledge of and ability to find the right faculty position.

* Through generous support from the National Science Foundation (NSF) ADVANCE Institutional Transformation Award, all travel, meals, and lodging COSTS WILL BE PROVIDED for workshop participants. The attached flyer describes the program in more detail.

* For more information please visit:

<http://www.advance.rice.edu/negotiatingtheidealfacultyposition/>

* DEADLINE: August 1, 2008.

6. Third Annual Seed Science Writing Contest

Share your ideas on the current state of science

For science to achieve its transformative potential across society, it is essential that we understand both what catalyzes science and what inhibits it. Last year we sought ideas to catalyze science literacy. This year, we ask:

What is the most significant force acting against science in society today?
How can it be overcome?

Submission Deadline: August 1, 2008

Maximum Word Count: 1,200

First Prize: \$2,500 Prize

2nd Place: \$1,000 Prize

Please send your submissions as a Word document along with your full name and mailing address to writingcontest@seedmediagroup.com.

Please read the Official Rules

» For more information, go to <http://seedmagazine.com/writingcontest>

Note: By submitting an entry, you agree that you have read and understand the official rules of the contest.

7. Argonne Postdoctoral Research Symposium

Hosted by the Postdoctoral Office at Argonne National Laboratory

September 11-12, 2008

Research papers, presented exclusively by postdoctoral fellows, will be accepted in the following general research areas:

- *Biology
- *Chemistry and Biochemistry
- *Engineering
- *Environmental Science
- *Materials Science
- *Mathematics and Computer Science
- *Physics and High Energy Physics
- *Synchrotron Research

Please encourage your Department PostDocs to present the results of their work at this Symposium. The total time allotted for each presentation is thirty (30) minutes. They should prepare a 20-minute presentation and allow an additional 10 minutes for questions from the audience. A poster session is also planned along with a wine and cheese reception to promote networking among ANL scientists, and academic and industrial professionals.

*All Symposium presenters and attendees are required to pre-register and to pay a \$95 registration fee.

*Registration fee includes continental breakfasts, lunches, refreshments, and a wine and cheese reception that will be held on Thursday evening, September 11, 2008.

Instructions for preparation of abstracts, abstract submission, and registration information are available online at:

<http://www.dep.anl.gov/postdocs/symposium>

Abstracts and final program information will be posted on our website by September 2, 2008.

8. NIH Funding Opportunities and Notices

** NIH ROADMAP INITIATIVES**

The NIH has launched a "Roadmap for Medical Research" Initiative, spearheaded by the NIH Director, Elias Zerhouni. The NIH Roadmap is a series of progressive initiatives that seek to transform the nation's biomedical research capabilities and accelerate the advancement of research discoveries from the bench to the bedside. The purposes was to identify major opportunities and gaps in biomedical research that no single institute at NIH could tackle alone but that the agency as a whole must address, to make the biggest impact on the progress of medical research. All Institutes are involved in this endeavor.

The Roadmap is composed of three overarching themes: new pathways to discovery, research teams of the future, and re-engineering the clinical research enterprise. All three of these broad initiatives have funding opportunities associated with them, which NIDA grantees can apply.

Epigenomics of Human Health and Disease (R01)
(RFA-RM-08-017) NIH Roadmap Initiatives
Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): September 28, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): October 28, 2009
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-08-017.html>

Molecular Libraries Screening Instrumentation (R01)
(RFA-RM-08-020) NIH Roadmap Initiatives
Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): September 2, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): October 02, 2008

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-08-020.html>

Renewal of the National Technology Centers for Networks and Pathways Program (U54)
(RFA-RM-08-021) NIH Roadmap Initiatives
Letters of Intent Receipt Date: September 28, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): October 28, 2008
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-08-021.html>

Development of New Technologies Needed for Studying the Human Microbiome (R01)
(RFA-RM-08-026) NIH Roadmap Initiatives
Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): September 2, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): October 02, 2008
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-08-026.html>

Development of New Technologies Needed for Studying the Human Microbiome (R21)
(RFA-RM-08-027) NIH Roadmap Initiatives
Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): September 2, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): October 02, 2008
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-08-027.html>

To view the previously announced opportunities, click on:
<http://www.nihroadmap.nih.gov/grants/index.asp>

*****Just a Reminder - Regarding IRB Submission of Grant Applications --- Please submit the complete copy of the final grant application involving human subjects to the IRB for review. Per BSD IRB policy, the IRB must review the grant application submitted to the agency prior to providing IRB approval to the agency. This is to ensure that the project as proposed is concordant with the protocol(s) as approved. During the application submission and review process, applications with human subjects are marked

as "pending" approval until the IRB certification. Generally, it is advised to submit the application to the IRB after one has received the priority score for NIH applications. If the IRB protocol is already approved, please submit an amendment adding the submitted grant to the IRB protocol. If there is no existing IRB protocol that encompasses the work described in the project, a new protocol will need to be submitted to the IRB. Failure to submit the application to the IRB in a timely manner will hold up NIH Just-In-Time (JIT) submissions and award acceptance for other agencies. For more information, please contact the IRB at 2-1472 or 4-7674 or ORS Pre Award Office at 4-2182*****

Requests for Applications

Sexually Transmitted Infections Cooperative Research Centers (U19)
(RFA-AI-08-004) NIAID
Letters of Intent Receipt Date: September 30, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): October 30, 2008
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-08-004.html>

Highly Innovative Tactics to Interrupt Transmission of HIV (HIT-IT) (R01)
(RFA-AI-08-007) NIAID
Letters of Intent Receipt Date: October 10, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): November 10, 2008
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-08-007.html>

Implementation Planning Grants for Educational, Behavioral, or Social Studies for Translation of Genetic Factors in Common Diseases (U34)
(RFA-DK-08-003) NIDDK, NCI, NEI, NHGRI, NHLBI, NIA, NIAAA, NIAID, NIAMS, NIBIB, NICHD, NIDA, NIDCD, NIEHS, NIGMS, NIMH, NINDS, NINR, NLM
Letters of Intent Receipt Date: October 24, 2008
Application Receipt Date(s): November 25, 2008
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-08-003.html>

Translation of Common Disease Genetics into Clinical Applications (R21)

(RFA-DK-08-004) NIDDK, NCI, NEI, NHGRI, NHLBI, NIA, NIAAA, NIAID, NIAMS, NIBIB, NICHD, NIDCD, NIDCR, NIDDK, NIEHS, NIGMS, NIMH, NINDS, NINR, NIST

Letters of Intent Receipt Date: October 24, 2008

Application Receipt Date(s): November 25, 2008

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-08-004.html>

Modeling of Infectious Disease Agent Study Centers of Excellence (U54)

(RFA-GM-09-003) NIGMS

Letters of Intent Receipt Date: September 24, 2008

Application Receipt Date(s): October 24, 2008

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-GM-09-003.html>

Research on Interventions that Promote Research Careers (R01)

(RFA-GM-09-011) NIGMS

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): September 30, 2008

Application Receipt Date(s): October 30, 2008

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-GM-09-011.html>

Research on Causal Factors and Interventions that Promote and Support the Careers of Women in Biomedical and Behavioral Science and Engineering (R01)

(RFA-GM-09-012) NIGMS, FIC, NCCAM, NCI, NCR, NHLBI, NIA, NIAAA, NIBIB, NICHD, NIDCR, NIDDK, NIMH, NINDS, NINR, OAR, OBSSR, ORWH

Letter of Intent Receipt Date(s): September 21, 2008

Application Receipt Date(s): October 22, 2008

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-GM-09-012.html>

Novel NeuroAIDS Therapies: Integrated Preclinical/Clinical Program (IPCP) (U19)

(RFA-MH-09-040) NIMH

Letters of Intent Receipt Date: August 12, 2008

Application Receipt Date(s): September 12, 2008

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-09-040.html>

Program Announcements

Pilot studies in Pancreatic Cancer (R21)

(PA-08-208) NCI

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-208.html>

Pilot studies in Pancreatic Cancer (R03)

(PA-08-209) NCI

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-209.html>

Diet-Induced Changes in Inflammation as Determinants of Colon Cancer (R01)

(PA-08-210) NCI

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-210.html>

Diet-Induced Changes in Inflammation as Determinants of Colon Cancer (R21)

(PA-08-211) NCI

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-211.html>

Planning Grants for International Malaria Clinical, Operational and Health Services Research Training Programs (D71)

(PAR-08-200) FIC

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): August 15, 2008, August 17, 2009, August 16, 2010.

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): September 15, 2008, September 15, 2009, September 15, 2010

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-200.html>

NIDCD Clinical Trial Planning Grant (R34)

(PAR-08-203) NIDCD

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): 30 days before planned application submission date

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-203.html>

NIDCD Phase I/II Preliminary Clinical Trials in
Communication Disorders (R01)

(PAR-08-204) NIDCR

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): 30 days before planned
application submission date

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see
announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-204.html>

NIDCD Phase III Definitive Clinical Trials in Communication
Disorders (R01)

(PAR-08-205) NIDCD

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): 30 days before planned
application submission date

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see
announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-205.html>

Investigations on Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases (R01)

(PAR-08-206) NIAID, NICHD, NIDDK, NINDS

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): 30 days before planned
application submission date

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see
announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-206.html>

Meetings, Conferences, and Networks for Research

Partnerships to Improve Functional Outcomes (R13)

(PAR-08-207) NICHD, NEI, NHLBI, NIDCD, NIMH, NINDS

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see
announcement.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-207.html>

Notices

Notice of Availability of Set-aside Funds for FY 2009 for

PAS-07-327

(NOT-DA-08-035) NIDA

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-DA-08-035.html>