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1. Career Transition Fellowship Panel
Come join a Q&A session with our 3 panelists who have accepted or reviewed NIH Grants: K99/R00 & K22
When: Tuesday, October 6th from 9am-10am in FLTC 214
Panelists:
Ream Al-Hasani, Ph.D., Department of Anesthesiology
Susan Dutcher, Ph.D., Department of Genetics
Haina Shin, Ph.D., Division of Infectious Diseases
Breakfast snacks, coffee, and hot drinks will be provided. Please register at http://goo.gl/forms/JRWQORD1r8.
Sponsored by the Wash U Postdoc Society

2. New Professional Impact Series from the Office of Faculty Affairs
One important key to success is managing your personal and professional image, whether it’s leading a meeting, presenting yourself in social media, or featuring your research on scholarly publishing, research or personal Web sites. To assist faculty with optimizing
their professional impact in the academic setting, the Office of Faculty Affairs has joined the Becker Medical Library and others to offer a new “Professional Impact” series beginning on October 6, 2015. All workshops will be held in Schwarz Auditorium.

**Tuesday, October 6, 11:30-12:30** - "Managing the 7 Deadly Sins of Meeting Facilitation" with Russell Hoffman, PhD, Executive Director, BJC Learning and Organizational Effectiveness.

**Tuesday, November 10, noon-1pm**, – "Making Social Media Work for You" with Becker Library staff

**Thursday, February 18, noon-1pm**, – Using SCiENev and My Bibliography for the NIH Biosketch with Becker Library staff

**Tuesday, March 15, noon-1pm**, – "Enhancing the Visibility of Your Research" with Becker Library staff

**Thursday, May 19, noon-1pm**, – “How to Run a Phone/Webinar Meeting and Tips on Networking with Participants” with Karen Dodson

For more information or to suggest topics, contact Karen Dodson, Office of Faculty Affairs, 362-4181 or karen.dodson@wustl.edu

**Sponsored by the Office of Faculty Affairs**

### 3. An Evening With Abe and Nicole, ABNA Engineering

BioSTL is proud to present a new series through the St. Louis Bioscience Inclusion Initiative, "An Evening With...", featuring women and minority entrepreneurs who have built or are building great STEM companies in our region. Our first event of this series will feature Abe and Nicole Adewale, CEO and President of ABNA Engineering. Hear about their entrepreneurial journey as husband and wife and lessons they have learned by starting and growing a STEM company in St. Louis. Light refreshments will be served.

BioSTL’s Bioscience Inclusion Initiative aims to strengthen the region’s bioscience ecosystem by supporting women and minorities interested in starting a new business, expanding their current one or providing professional services to the bioscience industry.

October 6, 2015 from 5:30-8:30 pm at Harris-Stowe State University Clay Center, 3026 Laclede Avenue.

**Sponsored by BioSTL**

### 4. The Career Center Fall 2015 Workshops & Power Search Team

All workshops are co-sponsored by Washington University’s International Graduate Student Association for Career Development and Networking (I-CAN).

#### Search Materials: CVs, Resumes, and Cover Letters

Open to all graduate students and postdocs and recommended particularly for those in their penultimate year.

**Tuesday, October 6, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Danforth Campus - Liberman Graduate Center, DUC 300

**Wednesday, October 7, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Medical School Campus - Becker Library 521

#### Networking: Only 20% of Openings Are Advertised. Tactics to Find the Other 80%

Recommended for all graduate students and postdocs, particularly before you attend your first conference.

**Tuesday, October 13, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Danforth Campus - Liberman Graduate Center, DUC 300

**Wednesday, October 14, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Medical School Campus - Becker Library 521

#### Interview and Negotiate Like a Pro

Open to all graduate students and postdocs and recommended particularly for those in their penultimate year.

**Tuesday, October 20, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Danforth Campus - Liberman Graduate Center, DUC 300

**Wednesday, October 21, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Medical School Campus - Becker Library 521

#### Opportunities for PhDs Beyond the Research Professorate

Open to all graduate students and postdocs.

**Tuesday, October 27, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Danforth Campus - Liberman Graduate Center, DUC 300

**Wednesday, October 28, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

Medical School Campus - Becker Library 521

**Attendance is limited to these events. To register, please log into CAREERlink at careercenter.wustl.edu. Search the calendar for the times and dates listed above and RSVP. Don’t have a CAREERlink account? Contact the Career Center at 314-935-5930 or email careers@wustl.edu.**

#### Power Search Team - Ongoing at Medical School

Finding a position - both in and outside of the academy - requires significant commitment and effort. Managing your search in an effective and well-organized way will result in a much shorter job quest with richer results. To speed up your search and increase the value of your outcome, the Career Center hosts Power Search Teams specifically for graduate students and postdoctoral appointees. The team meets at the Medical School on Mondays from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. If you are within six months of hoping to land a position, you are a candidate for the Power Search Team. For more information and/or to join the team, contact Dr. Taich at 314-935-6553.

**Please Note: You must schedule a one-on-one meeting with Dr. Taich before joining a team.**

#### Individual Career Planning and Job Search Coaching

Dr. Arlene Taich is a member of the Career Center staff specifically assigned as the career strategist for those enrolled in doctoral degree programs and postdoctoral appointments. She has been a faculty member, dean and provost as well as an executive with
two Fortune 500 global corporations. She maintains two offices, on both the Danforth and Medical School campuses, to best serve both populations.

Services provided include:
- One-on-one planning for careers in academia & industry
- CV, Resume, Cover Letter & application development
- Networking and interview training
- Job offer negotiation coaching

To secure an appointment with Dr. Taich, please call the Career Center at 314-935-5930.

5. CIRTL Events & Classes
The Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL) is an NSF Center for Learning and Teaching in higher education. Washington University is a member of the CIRTL Network.

CIRTL cast are one-hour, once-a-week sessions throughout the academic year. These sessions are organized around a monthly theme covering some aspect of STEM, pedagogy, and diversity.

Sessions are 1:00-2:00PM ET/12:00-1:00PM CT/11:00AM-12:00PM MT/10:00-11:00AM PT on Wednesdays from September through April; there will be no session in December. On the day of a session, we’ll update our event page with a link to the session’s Blackboard room. Simply find the session in the event calendar and click “Join this session.” If you’re new to Blackboard, make sure you review our Blackboard instruction page to familiarize yourself with the software ahead of time.

October: Fostering Critical Thinking in the STEM Classroom
October 7, 2015: CANCELLED, no CIRTLcast this week
October 14, 2015: Cooperative Group Learning: Critical Thinking in the Large Lecture Class
October 21, 2015: Critical Thinking and Peer Instruction: Students Learning Together
October 28, 2015: Inquiry-Based Labs: Rethinking the STEM Laboratory

Upcoming topics: November: Building a Rewarding Academic Career; December: no sessions

Teaching in the US is a workshop series from the University of Maryland, College Park and CIRTL, designed to bring international STEM students and postdocs together to learn about higher education in the United States. The series will cover practical topics, like grading and how to communicate with students, in addition to longer discussions around the unique insights that international TAs bring to STEM classrooms. The series grew out of our Teaching in the US online community, which has additional resources, message boards, and news for international TAs. Sessions are 12PM ET/11AM CT/10AM MT/9AM PT on the second Thursday of every month from September through April. [http://www.cirtl.net/Teaching-in-US-2015-2016]

October 8, 2015: Developing Effective Communication Skills
November 12, 2015: Grading and Effective Feedback in the American System
December: No Session
April 14, 2016: Developing Your Own Teaching Philosophy by Incorporating Your Cultural Background

CIRTL Reads is a monthly online journal club that expands Network participants’ understanding of STEM teaching and learning by discussing recent articles in pedagogy and current trends within STEM. Readings will be posted on the series' Moodle page, and participants are asked to submit discussion questions to the CIRTL Reads discussion leader, Dr. Adam Blanford (gtptiger AT colorado.edu), at least 24 hours before the scheduled session.

Sessions are 3:00-4:00PM ET/2:00-3:00PM CT/1:00-2:00PM MT/12:00-1:00PM PT on the second Wednesday of every month from September through April. Ahead of each session, you’ll need to go to Moodle to read the month’s article; to access the 2015-2016 CIRTL Reads Moodle page, please submit a request form. On the day of a session, we’ll update our event page with a link to the session’s Blackboard Collaborate room. Simply find the session in the event calendar and click “Join this session.” If you’re new to Blackboard Collaborate, make sure you review our Blackboard instruction page to familiarize yourself with the software ahead of time.

October 14, 2015: Understanding Student Pathways in Context-Rich Problems
November 11, 2015: Instructor Pedagogy and Student Attitudes
December 9, 2015: Flipped Classrooms in Higher Ed

6. Diversity Postdoc Association Planning Meeting
Dear Postdocs, The Diversity Postdoc Association (DPA) is having a planning & discussion meeting on October 8th at 4pm in FLTC 212. Please join us if you are interested in supporting diversity and diversity activities. The mission of the DPA is to enrich the experience of postdoctoral scholars and associates from backgrounds that are underrepresented and those interested in the promotion of diversity at Washington University in St. Louis. The DPA is in search of new leadership and support in event planning. Please join us to lend your voice and plan for the future. If you have questions or to let us know if you will attend, please contact Tracey Hermanstyne at hermanstynet@wusm.wustl.edu or Mary Bradley at bradleym@wustl.edu.

7. Evidence-Based Entrepreneurship Workshop Series
Fridays, 12pm – 1:30pm, Sept. 25 through Nov. 6th.
Cori Auditorium, McDonnell Medical Sciences Building, Medical Campus
Join us and learn to identify viable new venture concepts, build plans for a sustainable and scalable enterprise and get ventures off the ground. Attendance at all sessions is recommended as the curriculum builds upon itself. Classes are taught by Emre Toker, Managing Director of the Skandalakis Center for Interdisciplinary Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

**September 25: Entrepreneurship Reality Check: Let’s Get Started**

**October 2:** Ideation: How to Form Your New Venture Idea

**October 9:** Validation: How to Assess the Viability of Your New Venture

**October 16:** Strategies: How to Sustain and Scale Your New Venture

**October 23:** Funding: How to Get Your New Venture off the Ground

**October 30:** Putting It All Together: Financial Projections

**November 6:** Putting It All Together: The Narrative

http://crtc.wustl.edu/degrees/seminars.html For questions or to register, contact crtc@dom.wustl.edu.

**Sponsored by The Institute for Clinical and Translational Sciences and The Skandalakis Center for Interdisciplinary Innovation and Entrepreneurship.**

8. **Faculty Career Hiring Panel**

**Wednesday, October 14, 1-2pm, Holden Auditorium**

Do you have questions about the academic faculty hiring process? What should you include in your application packet? What happens on interview day, and how do I prepare? How do search committees and department heads make their decisions? For all these topics and more, please join us for a panel discussion on academic hiring processes and experiences with panelists:

- **Azad Bonni, M.D., Ph.D.,** Professor and Head, Anatomy & Neurobiology
- **Martha Bagnall, Ph.D,** Assistant Professor, Anatomy & Neurobiology
- **Shabaana Khader, Ph.D.,** Associate Professor, Molecular Microbiology


This seminar is part of the Faculty Career Search Seminar Series. Additional sessions on the Chalk Talk, Lab Finances and Lab Setup will be announced soon.

9. **Office of Faculty Affairs Thursday Topics**

Thursday, Oct. 15th: noon-1pm in Schwarz Auditorium (1st floor Maternity building) “Health Literacy: Communication Strategies and Resources (Mobile Resources and FDA-Approved Mobile Apps)” Presented by the Becker Library staff.

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10. **Black Man in a White Coat talk**

You are invited to attend a talk by Dr. Damon Tweedy, author of “Black Man in a White Coat: A Doctor’s Reflections on Race and Medicine, **Thursday, October 15, 2015, 7:00pm** (Doors open at 6:00pm and seating is limited so early arrival is highly recommended) at the St. Louis County Library Headquarters-Auditorium. This is located at 1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63131. The telephone number is 314-994-3300. Dr. Tweedy will base his talk on his book that addresses “A doctor’s profound memoir of his experience grappling with race, bias, and the unique health problems of black Americans”. All are welcome.

11. **SAStravaganza 2015**

The Washington University SAS® Users Group (WUSUG) presents their inaugural annual meeting. WUSUG is an official SAS® User's Group for students, faculty, and staff at Washington University. Their aim is to provide a forum for all SAS® users to network and share knowledge. All levels of experience are encouraged to attend, with content for those just starting out, as well as seasoned programmers and analysts. Presentations include:

- Melodie Rush, SAS® representative, **Top 10 Ways to Optimize Your SAS® Code**
- Washington University students, staff and faculty presenting special topics from their research in their fields

**Monday, October 19, 2015 from 12 - 5 p.m.**

Taylor Avenue Building, 600 S. Taylor Avenue ([map](http://www.bagelmap.com/))


Visit the [Washington University SAS Users Group on LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/home).

Interested in presenting your research? Or for more information contact Sarah Lyons at lyonss@wudosis.wustl.edu.

**Sponsored by: Washington University SAS Users Group (WUSUG), Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine Division of Public Health Sciences, the Institute for Public Health's Public Health Data and Training Center, and SAS®.**

12. **Women in Science & Entrepreneurship (WISE) 2015**

**Friday, Oct. 23rd, 8am – 5pm** at the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center, 975 N. Warson Road, St. Louis, MO 63132
Come hear conversations among local female entrepreneurs, researchers, members of industry & university faculty talk about their successes in the field and the opportunities and challenges they faced along the way. Cost is $20 or $15 for students.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Doris Taylor, Director of Regenerative Medicine, Texas Heart Institute
Panel 1: Collaborative Research
Panel 2: Following Your Passion & Starting a Business
Panel 3: Thinking Strategically about Your Career
Panel 4: Innovation & Convergence

More information and registration is online at http://missouricures.org/event/women-in-science-entrepreneurship-2015-st-louis

13. Halloween Happy Hour
It's time! Come for some creepy happy time with us! On Thursday October 29, 2015, 5pm at Farrell Hearth, the WU Postdoc Society invites you to be in the Halloween Mooood and share some good time, fall-themed beers, snacks, candies and other goodies!
Significant others, kids are welcome! Wear costume for the event if you would like, you won't be alone!
Here is the link to register: http://goo.gl/forms/z3M0wQyI40
Sponsored by the WU Postdoc Society

14. WUPS to Rams Game 11/1 – purchase by 10/16
Go Rams! The WU Postdoc Society invites you to attend the St. Louis Rams vs San Francisco 49ers game on Sunday, November 1, 12:00pm at Edward Jones Dome. Tickets are $25 with a $10 food voucher (Terrace level). To purchase tickets or for more information, please email Laura Smithson at smithsonl@neuro.wustl.edu. Ticket orders will be available until Friday, October 16th, 5pm.
Sponsored by the WU Postdoc Society

15. Academic Women’s Network (AWN) Brownbag Discussion
“The WUSM System of Promotions”
Tuesday, Nov. 3 from 12:30 - 1:30pm, FLTC 214
Dr. Chuck Zorumski, Samuel B. Guze Chair of Psychiatry
**brownbag discussions are open to all**
Questions? Contact Tamara Hershey, Ph.D., AWN President-Elect at tammy@wustl.edu
Next Brownbag: Monday, Dec. 7 at 12:30 - 1:30pm, FLTC 214, “Negotiating Throughout Your Career” with Dr. Sarah England, Wolff Professor of ObGyn

16. IPH 8th Annual Conference
The Institute for Public Health’s 8th Annual Conference, "Prepared for Peril: Readiness and Recovery for Public Health Threats", is being held Thursday, November 19th. This year’s conference will focus on public health threats of all kinds, from climate change and infectious disease outbreaks to natural disasters and civil unrest. Our keynote speaker is Dr. Stephen Redd, Director of the Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
This free, half-day event will take place on November 19 and is open to everyone. It will include a keynote address, panel discussion, poster session, and networking opportunities, and will take place on Washington University’s Medical Campus. Preregistration is requested. You can see more and RSVP today at our website here: http://publichealth.wustl.edu/events/8th-annual-conference

17. Arnold O. Beckman Postdoctoral Fellows Award
The Arnold O. Beckman Postdoctoral Fellows Award program which began in 2015 is intended to support postdoctoral scholars who are judged to have the highest potential for success in an independent academic career in chemistry and the life sciences, and who will become the next generation of leaders and innovators in science, engineering, and technology. It is the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation’s intent that this fellowship will be the catalyst to aid in the fellows transition to an outstanding, independent research career.
The Foundation anticipates granting twenty fellowships for the 2016 program year. Fellows will be appointed for two years, with possibility for renewal for a third year. Fellows may begin as early as August of their application year, and no later than December 31. The award amount will range from $57,000-$67,000 based upon years of postdoctoral research experience. Applications are due: December 1, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.
Follow this link for additional information: http://www.beckman-foundation.org/aob-postdoc-invitation-letter

18. AAAS Early Career Award for Public Engagement with Science
The AAAS Early Career Award for Public Engagement with Science, established in 2010, recognizes early-career scientists and engineers who demonstrate excellence in their contribution to public engagement with science activities. A monetary prize of $5,000, a commemorative plaque, complimentary registration to the AAAS Annual Meeting, and reimbursement for reasonable hotel and travel expenses to attend the AAAS Annual Meeting to receive the prize are given to the recipient. For the purposes of this
award, public engagement activities are defined as the individual’s active participation in efforts to engage with the public on science- and technology-related issues and promote meaningful dialogue between science and society. During the award year, AAAS will expect the recipient will continue participating in public engagement with science activities and initiatives.

Qualifications:
- Nominee must be an individual scientist or engineer. Groups or institutions will not be considered for this award. AAAS employees are ineligible. One scientist or engineer will be chosen to receive the award on an annual basis.
- Nominee must be a scientist or engineer actively conducting research in any scientific discipline (including social sciences and medicine) in academia, government or industry.
- Nominee must be “early career,” which is defined as an individual who has been in his/her current field for less than seven years and pre-tenure or job equivalent (typically within 7 years of receiving Ph.D.). Post-doctoral fellows are eligible for this award.
- Nominees no longer considered "early career" as defined by this award might be eligible for the AAAS Award for Public Engagement with Science.
- Nominee will have demonstrated excellence in his/her contribution to public engagement with science activities, with a focus on interactive dialogue between the individual and a non-scientific, public audience(s).
- Types of public engagement activities might include: informal science education, public outreach, public policy, and/or science communication activities, such as mass media, public dialogue, radio, TV and film, science café, science exhibit, science fair, and social and online media.
- Nominations may be made by AAAS affiliate organizations, universities, government agencies, media, research organizations, and individuals.
- All nominations must be submitted fully completed on or before midnight on October 15.

For more information and to apply: http://www.aaas.org/page/aaas-awards

19. Infectious Diseases Scholars Gateway
We are excited to offer the Infectious Diseases Scholars Gateway course in the spring of 2016. The ID Gateway exposes trainees in multiple programs to important translational questions and potential career paths in infectious disease. Speakers and discussions explore a broad range of topics relevant to infectious disease research and clinical care, including pathogenesis, diagnostics, biodefense, epidemiology, and development of therapeutics. The course also includes clinical experiences such as participating in rounds with infectious disease physicians.

The ID Gateway course is open to PhD & MSTP students and postdoctoral fellows in any department or program. Graduate and MSTP students are expected to have successfully completed either the graduate or medical microbiology course, although this requirement may be waived at the discretion of the course directors. Interested trainees should email Debra Warren at dewarren@dom.wustl.edu to request the brief course application.

Applications must be received by Debra Warren, the ID Gateway Administrator by Friday, October 9, 2015.

Questions should be directed to Debra at 314-286-2764 or dewarren@dom.wustl.edu.

All applicants will be notified of the Course Directors decisions by the first part of November, so that accepted students can register for the course for the spring 2016 semester.

ID Gateway Program Directors: Dr. Robyn Klein, rklein@dom.wustl.edu and Dr. Celeste Morley, morley_c@kids.wustl.edu

20. Management Training for Scientists (a pre-conference event at the SACNAS meeting)
Management of people and resources is a key component to being successful as you move forward in your career. Staff from the NIH Office of Intramural Training & Education (OITE) have developed an introductory course to give PhD-level scientists and senior-level graduate students an overview of common management concepts that are not often taught in a research environment. The topics covered will be applicable to all sectors (academics, industry, non-profits, government, etc.). While best to attend the whole day, participants can come for the morning or afternoon sessions as a stand-alone topic.

October 28, 2015 – National Harbor (site of SACNAS Meeting location) from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Please register to attend

Morning: Self-awareness: The Key to Professional Success; Conflict, Feedback and Difficult Conversations
Afternoon: Supervisory, Mentoring and Advocacy Relationships in Work Environments

Participants will also be invited to participate in a few follow-up webinars to increase their management skills. These webinars will be scheduled in November and December and will discuss how to hire staff and also more on motivating your staff.

21. Managing Science in the Biotech Industry: A Mini-Course for Postdocs
The American Society for Cell Biology (ASCB), Keck Graduate Institute (KGI), and Biocom Institute are partnering to offer a one-day course for graduate students and postdocs on December 11, 2015, the day before the ASCB Annual Meeting. The course will help basic scientists become more competitive for jobs in biotech and industry. In the morning, the course will introduce students to bioscience commercialization processes through case study analysis and group problem-solving exercises. During lunch, they will join San Diego scientists and learn first-hand about the ups and downs of their journey from academia to the life science industry. A
number of interactive sessions in the afternoon will cover how to combine scientific, business, and social skills to become competitive for a professional career.

Registration for the mini-course, capped at 100 attendees, is now open. The cost is $125 and includes tuition, curriculum material, and networking lunch. The course is co-organized by ASCB, Keck Graduate Institute, and Biocom.

For more information and to apply: [http://www.ascb.org/mini-course](http://www.ascb.org/mini-course)

### 22. Data Incubator

**Program:** The Data Incubator is an intensive 7 week fellowship that prepares masters, PhDs, and postdocs in STEM and social science fields seeking industry careers as data scientists. The program is free for Fellows and supported by sponsorships from hundreds of employers across multiple industries. In response to the overwhelming interest in our earlier sessions, we will be holding another fellowship.

**Locations:** There will be both an in-person (in NYC, DC, SF) and online section of the fellowship. There is a common application for both the online and in-person sections.

**Dates:** All sections will be from 2016-01-04 to 2016-02-26

**Application Link:** [http://www.thedataincubator.com/#apply?ref=wZGV0ZXJtYW5jQHd1c3RsLmVkdQ==](http://www.thedataincubator.com/#apply?ref=wZGV0ZXJtYW5jQHd1c3RsLmVkdQ==)

**Data Science in 30 minutes:** Join our free webcast on building a data science project in 30 minutes. Signup soon as space is limited: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/data-science-in-thirty-minutes-tickets-18522374922](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/data-science-in-thirty-minutes-tickets-18522374922).

**Who should apply?:** Anyone within one year of graduating from a master's or PhD program or who has already obtained a master's or PhD is welcome to apply. Applications from international students are welcome. Everyone else is encouraged to [sign-up for a future session.](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/data-science-in-thirty-minutes-tickets-18522374922)

For additional information, check out our [blog], [Venture Beat article], or [Harvard Business Review piece].

### 23. National Institutes of Health (NIH) Extramural Loan Repayment Programs (LRP)

The NIH Loan Repayment Programs are a set of programs established by Congress and designed to recruit and retain highly qualified health professionals into biomedical or biobehavioral research careers. The escalating costs of advanced education and training in medicine and clinical specialties are forcing some scientists to abandon their research careers for higher-paying private industry or private practice careers. The LRPs counteract that financial pressure by repaying up to $35,000 annually of a researcher’s qualified educational debt in return for a commitment to engage in NIH mission-relevant research. Since tomorrow’s medical breakthroughs will be made by investigators starting in their research careers today, the LRPs represent an important investment by NIH in the future of health discovery and the wellbeing of the Nation.


### 24. Future of Research Symposium – Chicago

**Future of Research – Chicago** is a group of Chicago area postdocs organizing a Future of Research Symposium in Chicago on October 29th. The purpose of this event is to bring researchers and interested individuals, including postdocs, grad students, faculty and postdoc offices, from across the Midwest together with regional and national leaders in scientific training and the STEM enterprise, to address issues within science policy and STEM career development. Registration for FOR Chicago 2015 opened on 9/8, register at [futureofresearch.org/chicago](http://futureofresearch.org/chicago!)

Our keynote speakers are **Dr. Gregory Petsko** (Weill Cornell Medical College) and **Dr. Keith Yamamoto** (University of California - San Francisco) both are members of the National Academy of Sciences and advocates for reforming career training in the biomedical sciences. Other confirmed panelists include Dr. Gary McDowell (Tufts University, FOR Leader); Dr. Kristzina Eleki, Executive Director of the Chicago Council for Science and Technology (CST); and Dr. Caralynn Nowinski, COO of UI Labs and an innovation leader in Chicago. Our newest speaker is Dr. Kay Lund, Director of the recently established NIH Division on Biomedical Research Workforce Programs.

Further details on the mission of FOR Chicago are available on the website, [futureofresearch.org/Chicago](http://futureofresearch.org/Chicago) where you can also find the full speakers list, a tentative schedule and list of workshop topics. Registration opened on 9/8 and there is a $10 fee to register. We greatly appreciate your help in spreading the word and are happy to answer any further questions ([chicagoFOR@gmail.com](mailto:chicagoFOR@gmail.com))!

**Best, Future of Research Chicago Organizing Committee**

FORChicago will be a one-day series of panel discussions and participant-led workshops with the aim to:

- Illuminate the fundamental challenges in training scientists in today’s research climate
- Propose solutions to equip the STEM postdoctorate to be leaders in diverse paths of the future career landscape
- Initiate a dialogue with key stakeholders in the Chicago area about embracing the rich community of PhD-trained talent as drivers of innovation

**When:** October 29, 2015, 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

**Where:** 250 East Superior Street, Prentice Hospital Conference Center, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL 60611
Travel funds may be available. [http://futureofresearch.org/chicago](http://futureofresearch.org/chicago)

Please join us as our speakers and panelists discuss a range of topics, including:

- Revolutionizing Training: Mentoring strategies and career development
- Scientific workforce structure: how many PhD-trained scientists do we need?
- Incentivizing good science – What drives scientists to do “good” science?
- Funding mechanisms: New strategies for early career training
- Curricular reforms which was tied with experiential learning outside the university

[http://futureofresearch.org/chicago](http://futureofresearch.org/chicago)

**POSTDOC HOODIES!**

We are down to 1 small and 5 large postdoc hoodies in navy blue. Stop by the office between 9am-4pm to purchase your hoodie, on sale for $15 each, cash only please and exact change is appreciated. Questions? email [postdoc@wusm.wustl.edu](mailto:postdoc@wusm.wustl.edu).

Don’t forget to check out the DBBS Jobs Board at [http://dbbs.wustl.edu/jobs](http://dbbs.wustl.edu/jobs). We have posted Career positions and postdoctoral positions both at WU and elsewhere. The board is self-service, so feel free to post jobs, or forward the site to others who may want to post a job.

**We are on Facebook & Twitter!** The audience for both accounts is current WU postdocs but they are open anyone, so please like our FB page and follow us on Twitter! We’ll be posting info about OPA & WUPS events and Career Center activities as well as other events and items of interest to postdocs. You can find us at:

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