



Division of Graduate Medical Sciences

## Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2012**

Happy Spring!



Many exciting things are being planned by OPA for March and April. Don't miss any of them:

## Industry Exploration Program (IEP) Intellectual Property Presentation and Training

**Friday, March 23, 2012 Room L-109A/B 11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Lunch provided. Register by email: [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu)**



The Industry Exploration Program (IEP) strives to fill an unmet need for postdoctoral fellows, who are trained to excel in academia yet are rarely provided with a broad understanding of careers beyond academia. The IEP seeks to foster interactions between Boston-area postdoctoral fellows and local biotech companies, providing career education for postdocs, and opportunities for future collaborations and employment opportunities. On an IEP visit to a biotech company, postdocs will have the chance to spend a day on site, learning about the culture and career options at the company, and interacting with industry scientists. The IEP was founded in 2009, in a collaboration between MassBioEd Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital. In 2012 it expanded to include additional local institutions that train postdocs, and additional biotech companies.

This is your only chance to attend IP training to be eligible for the April 27 IEP visits. Brian Gildea, Esq. Executive Director, Intellectual Property & Licensing Boston University, Technology Development will present I.P. power point training. Before the training, there will be an informational session describing IEP and process to set up postdoc's profile on the website.

## **NPA Annual Conference in San Francisco**

Last week, I attended the NPA Annual Conference in San Francisco. There were over 80 institutions from U.S. Canada and U.K. represented at this conference. Nearly 300 postdoctoral scholars, postdoctoral administrators and faculty participated in the event. I attended many workshops and seminars, exchanged ideas, best practices, and learned about many new exciting opportunities and resources which I will try to implement here at BUMC. I also met with my peers from other institutions to collaborate in the future in order to support and improve services for BUMC postdocs.



**Don't miss this great opportunity: Start-up Business Plan Boot Camp,  
Saturday, March 24, 2012 School of Management, 595 Commonwealth Ave. Room 208  
9:00am-4:00pm \$10**

This one day intensive session is designed to help you get your entrepreneurial venture off the ground. This workshop is available to undergraduate students, graduate students, and postdocs. Registration is limited so claim your seat today by registering at [www.bu.edu/itec](http://www.bu.edu/itec)

**Kauffman Foundation Life Science Ventures Summit June 22-23, 2012 University of California-San Francisco**

To help aspiring and early-stage entrepreneurs address the challenges of starting a life science company. The Foundation is now taking applications for the inaugural Summit. Industry experts and successful entrepreneurs will provide guidance on commercializing innovations in each of four sectors: medical device, therapeutics, diagnostics, and digital health. [Follow this link](#) to learn more about this event.

**The Social Computing, Behavioral-Cultural Modeling, and Prediction Conference**

This conference is looking for eligible participants from underrepresented groups (racial minority, females, or participants from the social sciences, economic, managerial sciences, or biomedical research field) to promote diversity. Limited travel support is available. [Follow this link](#) for information on eligibility and the application process.

**Pfizer Worldwide Research and Development Postdoctoral Program**

Pfizer is recruiting postdocs to its Research and Development program. [Follow this link](#) for more information or contact them: [WRDPostdocProgram@pfizer.com](mailto:WRDPostdocProgram@pfizer.com)

**[Call for Applications UNESCO-L'OREAL International Fellowships \(2012\)](#)**



### **Program Funding and Grants Administration Seminars**

The National Institutes of Health offers two Regional Seminars. [Follow this link](#) for more information

### **Call for Entries: Eppendorf & Science Prize for Neurobiology**

The annual international US\$ 25,000 Eppendorf & *Science* Prize for Neurobiology honors young scientists for their outstanding contributions to neurobiological research based on methods of molecular and cell biology. The winner and finalists are selected by a committee of independent scientists, chaired by *Science's* Senior Editor, Dr. Peter Stern.

To be eligible, you must be 35 years of age or younger. If you're selected as this year's winner, you will receive US\$ 25,000, have your work published in *Science* and be invited to visit Eppendorf in Hamburg, Germany. Past winners and finalists have come from as far afield as China, Chile, India and New Zealand. Yes, it *can* happen to you! Deadline for entries June 15, 2012. [For more information go to this link](#)

### **[PDF Presentation on U.S. Taxation from Sharon L. Shaff, CPA](#)**

**[2012 Tax Bulletin from ISSO](#)** (Information about completing and submitting tax forms for calendar year 2011)

Attention International Postdocs, please read carefully through this bulletin, it is important that you are well informed about U.S. Taxation.

### **[Watson Law Offices Newsletter, March 2012](#)**

### **[Propel Careers Newsletter, March 19, 2012](#)**

### **[WEST 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership Awards Event: Breaking the Mold: Boldness, Courage, and Risk-taking](#)**

### **[Science Webinar Series](#)**

**Great News! Fitness and Recreation (Fit/Rec) over at Charles River Campus**  
informed me that all postdocs are eligible for faculty/staff membership. If you are interested, please email me [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu)

### **[NPA: A Postdoc's Guide to Pregnancy and Maternity Leave](#)**

**[NPA: Mentoring for the Postdoctoral Fellow](#)** (Excerpted from The POSTDOCet, Summer 2004)

### **[The Disposable Academic](#)**

An article published by The Economist Dec. 16, 2010

### **[How Your Cat Is Making You Crazy](#)**

An article written for The Atlantic by Kathleen McAuliffe

### **[What to Wear to a Job Interview](#)**

### **[Things to do this weekend](#)**



Best,  
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