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- **2015 Columbia University and NYC ASCENT Postdoc Research and Career Symposium**

The 2015 Columbia University Postdoc Research and Career Symposium will feature a postdoc research poster session with 100 posters presented and prizes awarded, five short research talks by postdocs with awards given to those selected, a keynote talk by Dr. George Yancopoulos, President and CSO of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a networking reception, and a half day graduate level career fair.

The symposium is for Columbia University Postdocs and NYC ASCENT Fellows to present their research to the Columbia University research community, network and form new interdisciplinary collaborations, and learn about career opportunities with featured employers

The symposium will occur on the afternoons of Thursday, September 17th 2015 and Friday, September 18th on the Morningside Campus, Lerner Hall Roone Auditorium and Cinema. The postdoc poster session, research talks, keynote talk, and reception will occur on September 17th while the career fair (registration required) will take place on Friday, September 18th.

The symposium is for all postdocs at Columbia University and all ASCENT fellows. All members of the Columbia University research community are invited to attend the postdoc symposium sessions taking place on Thursday, September 17th. The event has been co-organized by the Columbia University [Office of Postdoctoral Affairs \(OPA\)](#) and the [NYC ASCENT Program](#) with assistance from members of the University's Postdoc Council. The graduate student and postdoc career fair was organized by the [Center for Career Education](#) in partnership with OPA and NYC ASCENT.

The initial abstract submission period will run from June 22nd through July 20th for consideration for oral presentations or poster presentations. A late abstract submission period will run from July 21st through August 17th for consideration for poster presentation if space permits.

Please see symposium website for further information: <http://www.cuascentpostdocsymposium.com/>

- **How to conduct research that gets published and noticed – a monthly series for postdocs**

Publishing one's research in a top tier journal is often the goal for both a postdoc and their PI. This accomplishment, first and foremost, requires innovative and groundbreaking research. Not to be overlooked though, are the steps and processes taken when conducting the research that eventually may lead to a high impact publication. In this monthly seminar series we will examine the research life cycle for a postdoc from research design best practices through considerations for getting a publication noticed. Throughout the series we

will use the theme of publishing one's research to delve into topics related to conducting research with integrity. The series will run from the months of April through November occurring from 12-1 PM on the third Thursday of each month at CUMC with lunch provided. Further information about the entire series can be found at: <http://postdocseries.wikischolars.columbia.edu/home>

The fourth session of the series will be held on Thursday, July 16th from 12-1PM and will focus on identifying and managing conflicts of interest as well as avoiding research misconduct. Conflicts of interest and research misconduct are topics of high interest right now in research and should be of interest to all postdocs. Conflicts of interest take on many forms and postdocs should be aware of how to identify these conflicts and manage them in order to maintain their research and professional integrity. This session will be led by Joel Roselin, the Assistant Director of Research Compliance Education, and Michael Klein, the Director of Research Compliance in the Office of Research Compliance and Training.

CUMC

When: Thursday, July 16th, 12-1 PM (lunch provided)

Where: (CUMC) Hammer Health Sciences Building, Room LL208A/B

Registration: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=78881>

- **Office of Postdoctoral Affairs LinkedIn Group – Job ads and Career articles**

Do you have a LinkedIn account? If not, you should – networking is invaluable for landing the position you will seek following your training. If you do have a LinkedIn account, you should strongly consider joining the Columbia University Postdocs and Postdoc Alumni Group on LinkedIn. You can join the private group by searching for 'Columbia University Postdocs and Postdoc Alumni' under groups and submitting a request to join. The group has grown to 630 members, and beyond current Columbia Postdocs, there are also numerous Columbia Postdoc Alumni members that are employed across many different career sectors belonging to the group. The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs frequently receives position openings and job ads from employers both within and outside of Academia and we post these job ads exclusively on the LinkedIn group page. We also post relevant and timely career articles and pieces about the job market, professional and career development topics, and advice columns. Join the group today to start taking advantage of this great resource!

- **Office of Postdoctoral Affairs Website**

Did you know that the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) maintains a website (<http://postdocs.columbia.edu/>) containing a wealth of information for postdocs? What types of information can be found on the OPA webpage? The Postdoc handbook with policies and procedures around being a postdoc at Columbia, the OPA monthly events calendar, funding opportunities, as well as career resources with listings of groups to join, webpages to browse, and job search sites to utilize. This is by no means an exhaustive list, so be sure to take a spin through the OPA webpage to see what information is most relevant and helpful to you. If you feel there are pieces of information that should be added to the OPA webpage that are not currently there, please let us know, as we are always looking to provide the most relevant and useful information to Columbia Postdocs.

Social/Networking Events:

- **Postdoc Weekly Coffee/Tea Hour – CUMC**

These coffee/tea hours are a great way for you to meet other postdocs and hear about upcoming events. The coffee/tea hour is informal and you can stop by for as long as you would like.

CUMC

Date: Thursday, July 16th

Time: 3:30PM – 4:30PM
Location: Hammer Building, room 316

- **Summer Movie Nights Out**

We are announcing the sign-up for the upcoming July Movie Night! OPA is providing free movie tickets. Then after the movie, Postdocs are invited to stay with the group and go out for some drinks or food at the individual's expense at a nearby bar/restaurant.

July Movie Night Out*

Date: Thursday, July 23rd

Movie: Inside Out (<http://movies.disney.com/inside-out/>)

Time: 7:15pm

(Further details will be emailed out to those interested with more specific information)

*There are only 19 tickets available. To sign-up, email: cupostdocs@gmail.com