Opportunities to Explore
A newsletter for graduate students and postdoctoral trainees

TODAY
Vigil for Orlando
Friday June 17, 2016 | 1:00pm-2:00pm | Class of ’62 Auditorium | All members of the University community are invited to honor the memories of those lost, support each other during this time of grief and celebrate the diversity around us. Representatives from University leadership, Chaplaincy Services, Human Resources, Behavioral Health Partners and Strong EAP (employee assistance program) will be present.

HAPPENING NOW
Science Launches the 2016 Dance Your Ph.D. Contest
Science magazine has announced its 2016 “Dance Your PhD Contest.” PhD-level scientists or students working on science-related PhDs are invited to explain their work through a dance posted as a YouTube video. Winners will receive cash prizes in each of four categories—physics, chemistry, biology, and social sciences—and more for best overall dance. The deadline for submissions is September 30.

Announcing KGI’s New Certificate in Bioscience Management and Scholarship Opportunities
This is a unique and exciting opportunity for PhD students and postdoctoral fellows with backgrounds in sciences to acquire the business, management and networking skills needed to successfully transition to the life sciences industry. The goal of this certificate program is to offer supplemental education to scientists interested in pursuing careers in the applied life sciences industry, or who are interested in learning about the process of commercial development of new therapies. The classes are taken remotely using the innovative Minerva online Active Learning ForumTM to facilitate synchronous active-learning based education. The time commitment is substantial with 6 credit-hours per semester for two semesters; but it can be accomplished while pursuing full-time work or research at your current institution.

THIS WEEK
CPD: Networking for Scientists
Tuesday June 21, 2016 | 10:00am-11:00am | Natapow Conference Room (1-9545) | This workshop aims to help trainees develop an understanding of networking strategies and resources. In it we will attempt to: explain why networking is important; identify ways of describing ourselves and our career goals succinctly; recognize and take advantage of networking opportunities when they arise; develop networking skills; and increase awareness of networking resources.

Financial Health Bite Seminar: Budgeting
Wednesday June 22, 2016 | 12:00pm-1:00pm | College Town 44 (2007AB) | The Benefits Office invites you to attend an informational seminar to learn how to establish a budget, including identifying realistic spending habits, in order to ensure you meet your short and long-term financial goals. Guests and lunches are welcome. Registration is required.

URBEST: Individual Development Plan Workshop
Tuesday June 28 and Wednesday June 29, 2016 | 9:00am-10:30am | Ryan Case Method Room (1-9576) | UR BEST Trainees Please register for the URBEST Individual Development Plan Workshop (you only need to attend Tuesday or Wednesday, not both). Each session can only accommodate 22 individuals, due to content and faculty mentor assistance. We will invite the first 22 individuals that sign up and place others on a waiting list.

School of Medicine and Dentistry National Networking Hour
Wednesday June 29, 2016 | 3:00pm-4:00pm | Join us for a virtual networking opportunity to connect with fellow SMD alumni in your region and across the country from your office, lab, home—wherever you are! Hosted by the office of alumni relations and the center for professional development, this hour-long event consists of a series of brief one-on-one messaging chats that allow you to build your professional network in your current or future locale. Registration information to come soon!

URBEST Career Story Q&A: Jenny Hadingham
Monday July 18, 2016 | 12:30pm-1:30pm | Louise Slaughter Conference Room (1-9555) | Dr. Jenny Hadingham PhD, Assistant Director & Lecturer, Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning (CETL) at University of Rochester. Dr. Hadingham will highlight some of her day-to-day at UR and will share personal reflections on her career trajectory.

RELEVANT READS
Writing Science: How to Write Papers That Get Cited and Proposals That Get Funded
by Joshua Schimel. As a scientist, you are a professional writer: your career is built on successful proposals and papers. Success isn’t defined by getting papers into print, but by getting them into the reader’s consciousness. Writing Science is built upon the idea that successful science writing tells a story. Visit the CPD’s Lending Library catalog to see this and other titles of interest. To borrow a book, stop by our office in G-9556 or email the CPD with your request.

The Effective Diversity Statement
Tanya Golash-Boza gives faculty job applicants eight tips for writing a stellar diversity statement that stands out to search committees.

When Your Employer is Evil
It can be uncomfortable to work for a company or institution with a bad reputation, but is it the wrong choice? Adam Ruben discusses this for Science Careers.

Choosing Professional Development Events – And My Pick for This Summer
Author Maha Bali shares her criteria for selecting Professional Development opportunities and invites you to share yours.

CBCL: Life Sciences Education: Articles on Research Engagement and Graduate Teaching
The June 1 issue of CBCL: Life Sciences Education has several articles of potential interest, including: A Conceptual Framework for Graduate Teaching Assistant Professional Development Evaluation and Research and Early Engagement in Course-Based Research Increases Graduates Rates and Completion of science, Engineering, and Mathematics Degrees.

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