UCL Excellence in Health Research Prize - now open

The UCL Populations & Lifelong Health Domain, with support from the Domain’s Early Careers Network, the SLMS Research Coordination Office and the UCL Faculty of Population Health Sciences, are running a competition of peer-reviewed, published, original research papers authored by UCL early career researchers in the broad theme of populations and lifelong health. Prize winners will receive a substantial award that they can use as appropriate to support their research or career development, and will be invited to present their winning paper at the Populations & Lifelong Health Symposium in January 2017.

1st prize: £5000
2nd prize: £2000

Applicants are invited to submit an original research paper which has been published in a peer reviewed journal since August 2014. Papers must be relevant to the broad area of population health.

• Applicant must be the main contributor. See full eligibility criteria
• Authors will be required to submit a statement on the importance of their paper (500 word limit). See full application process
• Papers must be submitted in a PDF file and accompanied by completed application form to Lalita John from a UCL email address.

Deadline: Thursday 27 October by 5pm

More information, full eligibility criteria and application process can be found here.

Neuroscience Careers Network

Neuroscience Careers Network mailing list

The UCL Neuroscience Careers Network (NCN) provides opportunities for neuroscientists to meet their peers, to share ideas, experience and initiate collaborations. It also provides a platform for careers advice and the dissemination of information regarding jobs, training and funding opportunities.

The NCN is organised by a committee made up of representatives from a variety of departments under the UCL Neuroscience Domain and includes both post-doctoral researchers and PIs.
Subscribe to the mailing list, to hear about events, workshops, job and funding opportunities.

Subscribe here: https://www.mailinglists.ucl.ac.uk/mailman/listinfo/earlycareerneuro

Interview Skills Workshop

Wednesday 19th October 2016 1-4pm
Location: Medical Sciences Building Room G40

Proposals to be submitted by 10th October 2016

Are you in the process of applying to or have just submitted your application for a Neuroscience fellowship or grant which involves an interview? We are organising a workshop for the final phase of that process: the interview itself.

The workshop consists of 5 participants (postdocs and/or PIs) who are in the process of applying for grants or fellowships and therefore will have written a proposal beforehand (short proposals have to be sent to the panel ten days before the workshop for question preparation). Each participant will start with a 5 minute presentation to the panel members, consisting of the other participants and Prof Attwell and Prof Jeffery, followed by 10-15 minutes questioning. In the remaining 10-15 minutes the panel will give feedback. Video recordings will be provided for feedback on aspects of the presentation.

To register for this event, please email: Lorenzo.l.fabrizi@ucl.ac.uk, Tammaryn.t.lashley@ucl.ac.uk or bethan.kilpatrick.10@ucl.ac.uk

Places will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

Grant Writing Workshop

Wednesday 7th December 2016 10am - 1pm

Applications to be submitted by 21st November 2016

The aim of this half-day session is to help workshop participants improve their applications for funding, whether they are project grants or fellowships. It will be led by two senior UCL researchers, Prof. Patrick Haggard (Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience) and Prof. Andrew Forge (The Ear Institute), who have extensive experience in applying for funding as well as being part of grant review committees. This is a rare opportunity to polish your 'grantsmanship' skills, gain insight into how funding committees work, and receive constructive feedback on your applications.

To participate in this workshop, each participant must provide an abstract, lay summary and scientific proposal (it may be a preliminary application) for either a grant or fellowship application by 21 November 2016. Participants are NOT required to submit grant costings.

Contact: Jasper Poort (j.poort@ucl.ac.uk), Sandrine Geranton (sandrine.geranton@ucl.ac.uk) or Julie Lee (julie.lee.15@ucl.ac.uk)
BNA2017 Festival of Neuroscience
10 – 13 April 2017, ICC Birmingham

The FESTIVAL OF NEUROSCIENCE is the BNA’s flagship biennial meeting. BNA Festivals have now gained traction as the most important neuroscience meetings in the UK, and BNA2017 is one of the largest international meetings throughout Europe in 2017.

BNA2017 ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND REGISTRATION OPEN!

We invite you to register for BNA2017 and encourage you to showcase your research at the largest neuroscience meeting in the UK by submitting a poster abstract.

*** POSTER ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER 2016 ***

We strongly encourage students and early-career scientists to present their work as a poster presentation. We expect around 750 posters to be presented at the BNA2017 Festival of Neuroscience, and bursaries will be available for qualifying poster presenters. Submission deadline FRIDAY DECEMBER 16th, 2016 = just 11 weeks to go!

See here for full information and guidelines.

UCL Ageing Event - cultivating research connections across the University
Thursday 3 November 2016

Registration is now open for the UCL Ageing Event - Cultivating research connections across the University on Thursday 3 November 2016 at the UCL Main Quad Pavilion.

This is a half-day event aimed primarily at UCL staff from postdoctoral research associates to senior lecturers who work on ageing research in a wide variety of disciplines, including epidemiology, bioscience, neuroscience, engineering, economics and infection and immunity.

In February 2016 an initial event was held for senior Principal Investigators, which took the first step towards consolidating ageing research and expertise across UCL, encouraging new collaborations, and preparing possible responses for future funding opportunities.

The purpose of this second meeting is therefore to enable more junior UCL researchers working on all aspects of ageing to network and to encourage new collaborations.

Please click on the following link to view the programme and to register to attend: https://uclageingevent.eventbrite.co.uk

Time: 13.30-18.00

Venue: UCL Main Quad Pavilion, Gower Street, London, WC1E 6BT

We very much hope to see you on Thursday 3 November 2016 for what is sure to be a fascinating afternoon.
Strategic Research Coordinator - South Africa Major Overseas Programme role

UCL has a new partnership with the Africa Health Research Institute (AHRI) based in South Africa which is one of the Wellcome Trust’s Major Overseas Research Programmes. This post has been created to coordinate and develop UCL’s engagement in this complex partnership. The post holder will coordinate and support the development of academic activity with AHRI partners, acting as the principal contact point at UCL, sharing information with UCL colleagues and coordinating activities across UCL and with external stakeholders. The role will be based in the UCL School of Life and Medical Sciences within the Research Coordination Office in London and will involve regular visits to South Africa.

The post is likely to appeal to candidates with experience of working in a world-leading university with a first-class reputation in the medical sciences, and who are keen to make a tangible difference to health outcomes in the global South. This post is funded for 24 months in the first instance.

Closing date: 19 October

More info

Public Engagement

Volunteer to help with a research project with the Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience

Are you interested in a volunteer position in an exciting new project with the Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience Pocket Smile team? The project will be running from November 14th to December 18th 2016 at the Science Museum, London, as part of their Live Science programme. A team of 10 UCL volunteers will engage visitors in an experiment exploring if playing a video game with smiling faces or landscapes will have a greater boost to their mood depending on the image type.

The one-month positions are limited to 10 places and are open to anyone from first year undergraduates to PhD students. We need volunteers who can commit to a minimum of one day per week to the project. Candidates should have an interest in science and innovative healthcare interventions, be comfortable approaching people, be positive, proactive and responsible. No prior experience is required and you will receive an induction at the Science Museum.

For more information and to apply email Javier Elkin: javier.elkin.10@ucl.ac.uk

Beacon Bursaries for public engagement

Deadline: 7th November 2016

Do you have an innovative idea that will help you connect your research or teaching with people outside UCL? If you do, and you need funding and ongoing guidance, you could apply for a Beacon Bursary. Up to £2000 per project is available to UCL staff and postgraduate research students. We particularly encourage applications for projects in East London as UCL is aiming to develop relationships with local people in advance of the building of UCL East.

UCL Beacon Bursaries have funded outstanding engagement projects and project teams since 2009. To find out more, and to download the guidance and application forms, visit the Public Engagement Unit’s website: http://www.ucl.ac.uk/public-engagement/funding/beaconbursaries
If you have any questions, contact the Public Engagement Unit, UCL Culture, who will be happy to advise and help you strengthen your application: publicengagement@ucl.ac.uk

Come to the Public Engagement Network on Thursday 20th October 11am-1pm to hear directly from UCL staff and researchers who have been previously funded by the Beacon Bursaries:
http://www.ucl.ac.uk/event-ticketing/booking?ev=16049

In the News

UCL’s innovative retail coalition celebrates first anniversary

UCL is today marking one year since the launch of the innovative retail coalition inspired by Malcolm Walker of Iceland Foods to address the dementia challenge. Since the coalition was created nine UK retailers have committed to support UCL in its fight against dementia, initially pledging in the region of £20 million. In the first year alone, the partnership has already raised around £10 million – equivalent to the sale of around 200 million carrier bags.

Dementia is the greatest scientific, medical and socio-economic challenge of our times and affects more than 35 million people worldwide. With the global cost of dementia estimated at more than £500 billion, the disease currently costs the UK economy more than cancer and heart disease combined. However, nearly seven times as much is spent on cancer research than is spent on dementia research.

Full story

UCL achieves first Gold Athena SWAN award for excellence in gender equality

The MRC Laboratory for Molecular Cell Biology at UCL has achieved the university’s first departmental Athena SWAN Gold award for gender equality – one of only two awarded to UK universities in this round.

The award recognises “significant and sustained progression and achievement by the department in promoting gender equality and to address challenges particular to the discipline. Gold departments should be beacons of achievement in gender equality and should champion and promote good practice to the wider community.”

Full story

Dr Stephen Fleming wins the Wiley Prize in Psychology

The British Academy has announced the 2016 winners of its prizes and medals, and we are delighted that Dr Stephen Fleming (Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging, UCL Institute of Neurology) has won the Wiley Prize for Psychology, for his contribution to the study of the neuropsychology of human metacognition.

This annual prize, in partnership with the publisher, Wiley, provides an award of £5,000 in recognition of excellence in research in psychology. It alternately rewards lifetime achievement by an outstanding international scholar and promising early career work by a UK-based psychologist.

Full story
Funding opportunity for independent researchers: AMS Springboard

Internal deadline: 17 October 2016

The Academy of Medical Sciences (AMS) has announced the second call for the Springboard scheme.

Springboard aims to support non-clinical biomedical researchers at the start of their first independent post to help launch their research careers, and provides funding of up to £100,000 over two years.

Applicants should:

- Hold an established academic research position. This can be tenured (e.g. a lectureship) or on contract (e.g. a fellowship)
- Be within 3 years of starting their first independent (salaried) position
- Have sufficient time remaining in their current post to complete the proposed Springboard project
- Not hold a clinical contract.

Springboard is not suitable for postdoctoral researchers. Competitive applications will be expected to demonstrate strong support from the Division/Institute.

Details of the Springboard scheme, full eligibility criteria and UCL internal application forms are available at: http://www.ucl.ac.uk/slms/slms-intranet/research/facilitation/looking-for-funding/Internally-shortlisted-calls.

Wellcome Trust Multi-User Equipment and Biomedical Resource and Technology Development grant schemes

Internal deadline: 17 October 2016

The Wellcome Trust will shortly be announcing its 2016-17 call for Multi-user Equipment (MUE) and Biomedical Resource and Technology Development (BRTD) grants. These applications require significant institutional support; therefore, UCL candidates must submit a 1-page Expression of Interest (EOI) for a process of internal review. Only candidates who have been approved through the UCL review selection process will be able to submit to the Wellcome Trust. Scheme details and instructions for submitting the EOI can be found on the SLMS Research Facilitation webpages.

Deadline for EOIs: Monday, 17 October, 2016 (5 pm)

Scheme details: The MUE and BRTD schemes, respectively, provide support for multi-user items of equipment, and the establishment or maintenance of resources/technology (including databases and collections) that benefit the wider scientific community. Typically, the Wellcome Trust seeks to fund equipment which both enhance and add value to Wellcome Trust-funded research or investments. Up to five years of support can be requested (£75k–£1M for MUE and up to £1.5M for BRTD). Note that institutional support is requested, so applicants must discuss their applications at the Divisional level as soon as possible.

Information about the scheme and the UCL internal application process can be found on the SLMS Research Facilitation webpages and any questions about the scheme can be addressed to the rsc-slmsfunding@ucl.ac.uk inbox.
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF) is accepting pre-proposals across its three core funding programs. The application deadline is Wednesday, October 19, and MJFF funds both industry and academia. Learn more about each MJFF program supporting Parkinson's research on Trialect:

- Target Advancement
- Therapeutic Development
- Biomarkers and Outcome Measures

**Tools and resources development fund: Bioimaging**

**Closing date: 23 November 2016**

The Tools and Resources Development Fund (TRDF) aims to pump prime the next generation of tools, technologies and resources that will be required by bioscience researchers.

The 2016 TRDF call has a specific focus on bioimaging. It is anticipated that successful grants will not exceed £150k (£187k FEC) and a fast-track, light touch peer review process will operate to enable researchers to respond rapidly to emerging challenges and opportunities.

To apply for this call, visit the BBSRC website.

**NIHR fellowships: deadlines brought forward and webinar**

**Closing date: December 2016**

The NIHR have announced that the deadlines for the next round (round 10) of their Fellowship Programme will be brought forward. Deadlines are normally in January each year, but for the next round the postdoctoral, career development and senior fellowship schemes will have deadlines in December 2016. The calls will be officially launched in October.

The NIHR recently held a webinar on their Fellowships schemes. This is available for all to view online (registration required) and the link can be found on the SLMS Research Facilitation webpages here. [http://www.ucl.ac.uk/slms/slms-intranet/research/facilitation/looking-for-funding/presentations-from-funders](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/slms/slms-intranet/research/facilitation/looking-for-funding/presentations-from-funders).

Specific advice and support for NIHR applications is available from the Research Design Service. [http://www.rds-london.nihr.ac.uk/about-us/north-london-ucl.aspx](http://www.rds-london.nihr.ac.uk/about-us/north-london-ucl.aspx)

**Child and young adult mental health – the underpinning aetiology of self-harm and eating disorders**

**Closing date: 31 January 2017**

The Medical Research Foundation (MRF) and Medical Research Council (MRC) will make available up to £2 million for new high-quality, internationally competitive research partnerships to investigate the underlying bio-psycho-social mechanistic and environmental drivers i.e. the aetiology and underpinning mechanisms of self-harm or of eating disorders in children, adolescents and young adults (up to 25 years).

The objective of this call is to provide funding to initiate new scientific partnerships across disciplines and new research activities, focused on basic science.

[Full information](#)
11 October, 2016 - **ALS Seminar: Axonal function of splicing factors in motor development and neurodegeneration**

Time: 12:00:00 - 14:00:00

Speaker: Professor Corinne Houart, Developmental Neurobiology, King's College London

Host: Elizabeth Fisher

This seminar is part of the ALS Seminar Series

Location: 2nd Floor Seminar Room, Institute of Neurology, Queen Square House, Queen Square, WC1N 3BG

Contact: Debbie Hadley

Email: d.hadley@ucl.ac.uk

Phone: Please email

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11 October, 2016 - **Innovation in Synthetic Biology**

Time: 17:00:00 - 21:00:00

Synthetic Biology is the use of engineering to design and construct biological parts and systems in order to address current major challenges, including applications in the fields of environmental sciences, nutrition, cleantech and biotech. In 2012, the UK Government identified Synthetic Biology as one of the seven emerging technologies of the future with strong growth potential. It is predicted that the global Synthetic Biology market will reach over $38 billion by 2020. On 11th October, the Innovation Forum is bringing together Synthetic Biology leading experts from academia and industry with entrepreneurs, investors and policymakers to discuss current findings and explore future trends in the field, followed by a networking session over drinks and nibbles.

Location: Kennedy Lecture Theatre, Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London, WC1N 1EH

Contact: Dr Aarat hi Prasad

Email: a.prasad@ucl.ac.uk

Phone: +44 (0)20 7679 7521

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12 October, 2016 - **UCL RoAR (Replacement of Animals in Research) Forum**

Time: 14:00:00 - 17:00:00

We are delighted to announce RoAR (Replacement of Animals in Research) - the UCL forum for promoting innovative, cross-disciplinary technologies to replace animals in research, within the 3Rs initiatives at UCL. RoAR's mission: • Serve as a platform for collaborations across diverse UCL groups, including Biosciences, Engineering and Computational Biology, for creative approaches to alternative technologies • Foster relationships with NC3Rs, grant awarding bodies and UK Industry. • Maintain awareness and highlight achievements, within the 3R UCL initiatives. This will be our first cross-disciplinary workshop for staff from across SLMS and BEAMS. This forum is your chance to see the progress being made, exchange ideas with colleagues and help make real progress in the replacement of Animals in Research. The event is free to attend but advance registration in essential. NB: the event is open to UCL staff and researchers from SLMS and BEAMS only, from post-doc upwards.

Location: tbc, , , ,

Contact: Candice Lewis

Email: candice.lewis@ucl.ac.uk

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13 October, 2016 - **Neural interfaces for the brain and spinal cord**

Time: 17:15:00 -

Speaker: Dr Andrew Jackson, Newcastle University

UCL Partners Centre for Rehabilitation seminar

Location: Gilliatt Lecture Theatre, Institute of Neurology, Queen Square House, Queen Square, WC1N 3BG

Contact: Centre for Neurorehabilitation

Email: cnr@ucl.ac.uk
**14 October, 2016 - Brain meeting - Navigation and representations of space in the retrosplenial cortex**

Time: 15:15:00 -

Speaker: Stephen Auger, Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging, UCL

Location: 4th Floor Seminar Room, Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging, 12 Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG

Contact: ion.fil.brainmeetings@ucl.ac.uk

14 October, 2016 - Interrogation of Neuronal Circuit Function

Time: 11:00:00 - 13:30:00

Sainsbury Wellcome Centre Mini-symposium Chair: John O’Keefe Please join us for Sainsbury Wellcome Centre's mini symposium about neural circuit function. Hear from a selection of internationally renowned speakers and take part in the discussions, chaired by Professor John O'Keefe. Understanding the operation of neuronal networks underlying sensation and perception requires intensive interrogation of the properties of intact systems. This symposium is design to highlight recent advances and discoveries relating the biological underpinnings of mammalian brain circuits and behaviour. Registration is free but essential

Location: SWC Lecture Theatre, Sainsbury Wellcome Centre, 25 Howland Street, London, W1T 4JG

Contact: Alice Taylor-Gee

Email: a.taylor-gee@ucl.ac.uk

14 October, 2016 - The dynamic structure of cognition: If space was time

Time: 13:00:00 -

Speaker: A. Fenton, Neurobiology of Cognition Laboratory, New York University We will focus on the microstructure of oscillatory events in the local field potential (LFP) and their interactions with the spike trains of spatially tuned cells in the mouse and rat as the animals perform place avoidance tasks on a rotating arena. No booking required

Location: Seminar Room, Ground floor, Sainsbury Wellcome Centre, 25 Howland Street, London, 4JG

Contact: Alice Taylor-Gee

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Phone:

17 October, 2016 - Using human stem cell models to understand motor neuron development and disease: creative destruction

Time: 17:30:00 -

MRC Centre for Neuromuscular Diseases Seminar Series. Speaker: Dr Rickie Patani, UCL ION

Location: Basement Lecture Theatre, , 33 Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG

Contact: Christine Oldfield

Email: cnmd.contact@ucl.ac.uk

Phone: Please email

20 October, 2016 - Intrinsic optical changes in mammalian nerve terminals (and dense core vesicles as calcium amplifiers)

Time: 16:00:00 -

Wolfson Institute for Biomedical Research seminar. Speaker: Professor Brian M. Salzberg, Professor of Neuroscience & Physiology, University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine. Host: Professor David Sattelle

Location: WIBR Cafe, 1st floor, Cruciform Building, Gower Street, London, WC1E 6BT

Contact: Alison Kelly

Email: alison.kelly@ucl.ac.uk
20 October, 2016 - Queen Square Uroneurology Course

Time: -
The Department of Uro-Neurology and the International Continence Society (ICS) are organising a two day course that will provide a comprehensive overview of the problems of bladder, bowel and sexual functions occurring following neurological disease, its evaluation and management. The course will bring together a distinguished faculty of international experts in the field of neurourology and is therefore a unique opportunity for professionals with an interest in the field to update their knowledge and practices.

Location: Basement Lecture Theater, National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG
Contact: Anne Ho
Email: anneho@genmedhealth.com
Phone: -

21 October, 2016 - Brain meeting - Neural signatures of reinforcement learning and credit assignment

Time: 15:15:00 -
Speaker: Steve Kennerley, Sobell Department of Motor Neuroscience and Movement Disorders, UCL
Location: 4th Floor Seminar Room, Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging, 12 Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG
Contact: ion.fil.brainmeetings@ucl.ac.uk
Email: ion.fil.brainmeetings@ucl.ac.uk
Phone: -

27 October, 2016 - Lunch Hour Lectures - Navigating the brain: software programming for surgical planning

Time: 13:15:00 - 13:55:00
Epilepsy affects around 500,000 people in the UK, and one-third of individuals with focal epilepsy continue to have seizures despite optimal medical management. Professor Sebastien Ourselin will discuss his work developing the surgical navigation platform, EpiNavTM, which aims to increase the number of patients suitable for curative treatments.

Location: Darwin Lecture Theatre, Darwin Building, access via Malet Place, London, WC1E 6BT
Contact: UCL Event Ticketing
Email: ticketing@ucl.ac.uk
Phone: 020 3108 1000 (internal: 51000, Mon-Fri, 12 noon-6pm)

2 November, 2016 - Institute of Neurology Postdoc Seminar - Phenotypic screen of motor neurons carrying different ALS mutations - are there common pathways between different ALS mutations?

Time: 16:00:00 -
Speaker: Zhi Yao, UK Parkinson’s Disease Consortium, Institute of Neurology Host: IoN Postdoc Seminar Committee
Location: Basement Lecture Theatre, National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG
Contact: ionpostdocsrequest@gmail.com
Email: ionpostdocsrequest@gmail.com
Phone: -

3 November, 2016 - UCL Ageing Event – cultivating research connections across the University

Time: 13:30:00 - 18:00:00
This is a half-day event aimed primarily at UCL staff from postdoctoral research associates to senior lecturers who work on ageing research in a wide variety of disciplines, including epidemiology, bioscience, neuroscience, engineering, economics and infection and immunity. UCL has significant strength in ageing research, however, key researchers at UCL that work on ageing are unfamiliar with other scientists who work in different age-related disciplines. This is a missed opportunity, especially given the increased focus on lifelong health and wellbeing in the Government’s current priorities for research funding. The purpose of this meeting is therefore to enable more junior UCL researchers working on all aspects of ageing to network and to encourage new collaborations.

Location: UCL Main Quad Pavilion, Gower Street, London, WC1E 6BT
4 November, 2016 - **Otto Wolff Neuroscience Symposium**

Time: 09:00:00 - 17:00:00

Registration from 9 am Free to attend – registration via Eventbrite required
Chair: Professor Dimitri Kullman
Location: Kennedy Lecture Theatre, Wellcome Trust Building, Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London, WC1N 1EH
Contact: [ICH.DN.Programme@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:ICH.DN.Programme@ucl.ac.uk)
Email: [ICH.DN.Programme@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:ICH.DN.Programme@ucl.ac.uk)
Phone: 

4 November, 2016 - **Treating cognitive deficits in depression**

Time: 13:00:00 -

Speaker: Dr Gerry Dawson, P1Vital
Location: Room M2, School of Pharmacy, 29-39 Brunswick Square, London, WC1N 1AX
Contact: Audrey Mercer
Email: [a.mercer@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:a.mercer@ucl.ac.uk)
Phone:

8 November, 2016 - **ALS Seminar: ALS and the corticospinal system**

Time: 12:30:00 -

Speaker: Roger Lemon, Sobell Department, Institute of Neurology, UCL
Host: Elizabeth Fisher
This seminar is part of the ALS Seminar Series
Location: 2nd Floor Seminar Room, Institute of Neurology, Queen Square House, Queen Square, WC1N 3BG
Contact: Debbie Hadley
Email: [d.hadley@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:d.hadley@ucl.ac.uk)
Phone: Please email

10 November, 2016 - **New perspectives on post-stroke fatigue**

Time: 17:15:00 -

Speaker: Dr Anna Kuppuswamy, Stroke Association UCL Partners Centre for Rehabilitation seminar
Location: Gilliatt Lecture Theatre, Institute of Neurology, Queen Square House, Queen Square, WC1N 3BG
Contact: Centre for Neurorehabilitation
Email: [cnr@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:cnr@ucl.ac.uk)
Phone:
The programme includes:

• Passing the written examination in neurology, Prof Phil Smith, Cardiff
• Neurological examination in the OSCE: What I need to know, Dr Geraint Fuller, Gloucester
• Neuroanatomy made easy, Dr Tom Hughes, Cardiff
• The future of neurology, Prof Mary Reilly, London

The Lancet Neurology Conference - Preclinical neurodegenerative disease: towards prevention and early diagnosis

19 - 21 October 2016
Park Plaza Riverbank, London

The clinical symptoms of neurodegenerative diseases arise years after the onset of neuronal damage. By the time the patient receives a diagnosis, it might be too late to intervene and modify the advanced pathological state of disease. Researchers are now focusing on preventing and stopping the pathological processes in the brain at an earlier, asymptomatic state.

This conference aims to disseminate cutting-edge findings on preclinical neurodegenerative diseases—including Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and Huntington’s disease. The event will provide a unique platform for specialists to come together across disciplines for an authoritative discussion of the methodological, regulatory, and ethical considerations of research in people at asymptomatic states of neurodegenerative disease.

Posters are invited to supplement the invited oral programme. Please submit abstracts by June 3, 2016.

More information

BNS Autumn meeting in memory of Professor Glyn Humphreys
26 - 27 October, 33 Queen’s Square, London

This Autumn BNS meeting is dedicated to the memory of Prof. Glyn Humphreys (1954-2016). Glyn was an inspirational scientist who had a major influence on neuropsychology in the UK and beyond. He was a tireless supporter of the BNS and was our President from 2012-2014. This meeting offers us the opportunity to celebrate Glyn’s contribution to science and the many careers he influenced through his enthusiasm and support for young scientists.

More information
Dizziness and Balance Workshop
Tuesday 15 November, 1 Wimpole Street, London
Cost: £250 - £360
8 CPD Points

Dizziness is a common symptom in patients presenting to the emergency department, stroke unit, and general practice. The diagnosis and management of such patients can be challenging, but can also be achieved with appropriate clinical skills.

This 1 day interactive workshop will support healthcare professionals to effectively diagnose and manage dizziness across a range of clinical settings.

The workshop is aimed at emergency department physicians, general medical doctors, GPs and neurologists. It includes short, focused talks, and hands-on practical workshops delivered by international experts in the field from the neuro-otology department at the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, London.” This course will be led by Professor Adolfo M Bronstein, Professor Luxon, and Dr Diego Kaski, International renowned experts in Dizziness and Balance.

More information

1st Annual Cyprus International Conference on Autism Treatment and Research

18 – 22 November 2016
Paphos, Cyprus

1st Annual Cyprus International Conference on Autism Treatment and Research entitled *Magic Always Happens through our interdisciplinary approach to autism!*

Our conference takes a true “360 degrees” approach and it aims to bring together experts and luminaries from transdisciplinary scientific research, as well as from applied fields including academicians, psychologists, physicians, geneticists, speech therapists, civil engineers, architects, economists, law, technology, and many other subject matter experts. Together, we shall all discuss best practices and suggest ideal ways of working with, treating, educating, building for, and sustaining quality centers for autism excellence, among other.

More information

School of Brain Cells and Circuits "Camillo Golgi"

*The cerebellum inside out: cells, circuits and function*

1 - 5 December 2016, Erice (Italy)

Cost: €400

The 2016 Course of the School of Brain Cells and Circuits will be dedicated to the *cerebellum*. The cerebellum is a complex brain structure that subserves sensori-motor control functions but also probably plays a key role in cognition. The interest of this course will be to reconnect different levels of current knowledge and promote cross-fertilization among research fields. On the one hand, the cerebellar microcircuit is amongst the most investigated ever and has inspired fundamental neurophysiological theories. On the other hand cerebellar dysfunction is at the base of a complex set of motor and non-motor pathologies that are only recently coming to light. In this course, we will move from cellular and molecular biophysics of the cerebellar neurons and circuits up to integrative aspects of cerebellar functioning.

Deadline for financial support: 30 September 2016
Deadline for meeting registration: 30 November 2016

More information
The 15th Annual King's College Neuromuscular Disease Symposium
Friday 27 January 09:30am - 5.00pm
King's College Hospital campus at Denmark Hill

This annual educational meeting, organised by Dr Robert Hadden, is aimed primarily at clinicians who treat patients with diseases of the peripheral nervous system and muscle. This year's symposium aims to provide more practical general clinical review talks. It will be of interest to general adult neurologists, clinical neurophysiologists, paediatric neurologists, clinical neuroscientists, allied health professionals and trainees. It aims to provide a clinical update as well as an introduction to the science underlying neuromuscular diseases.

More information

Spring Meeting for Clinician Scientists in Training
Thursday 23rd February 2017
Royal College of Physicians, London

Are you looking for a chance to present your research and network with your peers across all specialties? The annual Spring Meeting for Clinician Scientists in Training is a unique cross specialty event, coordinated by the Academy of Medical Sciences, that enables budding clinical academics to develop the skills and networks to become independent researchers.

View films about the Spring Meeting at bit.ly/SpringMeeting2016
To register to attend and/or participate in one of the competitions please visit www.acmedsci.ac.uk/springmeeting
The Spring Meeting offers:

- A range of competitions (both oral and poster) for all career stages (pre-PhD, PhD and post-doc). All accepted abstracts are published in a special edition of The Lancet.
- Cash prizes, including a top prize of £2,500.
- Opportunities to be filmed or recorded about your research.
- A communications/networking masterclass the day before to learn skills to help you get the most out of the meeting.

Opportunity to network with your peers and Academy Fellows.

The Challenge of Chronic Pain
1 - 3 March 2017, Wellcome Genome Campus, Hinxton, UK

The second Challenge of Chronic Pain conference will discuss recent discoveries and current challenges in pain research, with a focus on translating basic research insights into new therapies. Advances in our understanding of peripheral and central pain mechanisms, pathways and processes will be highlighted. We will explore the clinical landscape of chronic pain and pain syndromes, the innovative approaches in target validation in animal and human studies, and their translation into novel therapeutic interventions.

This meeting is aimed at scientists, clinicians, and those working in industry or on translational research, interested in understanding chronic pain and improving the process from mechanism to therapy.

Further details