

## FOR UNIVERSITY STAFF

ISSUE NO 105 WEEK COMMENCING 11 SEPTEMBER

### SEMINARS

#### WEDNESDAY SEMINAR

There is no Wednesday Seminar this week.

#### FRIDAY SEMINAR

There is no Friday Seminar this week.

#### MEDICAL GRAND ROUNDS

There is no Medical Grand Rounds this week

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER



The World's Biggest Coffee Morning is Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer.

OCDEM will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30 in the Info Café area.

Any donations of baking would be very much appreciated and if you would be willing to help on the day then please contact the OCDEM A Team. If you are not a baker then please come along on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September and support a very good cause

## VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



### THEME COORDINATOR AND FACILITATOR FOR NIHR DATABASE

**Grade 7: £31,604 - £38,833 p.a.**

THIS IS A READVERTISEMENT. PREVIOUS APPLICANTS NEED NOT APPLY

We are seeking an enthusiastic Theme Coordinator and Facilitator for NIHR Database to work within a research team headed by Professor R Thakker, FRS, at the Oxford Centre for Diabetes Endocrinology and Metabolism (OCDEM), at the University of Oxford Churchill Hospital site.

The successful applicant will work on a project funded by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Rare Disease Translational Research Collaboration (TRC).

The NIHR has established a Rare Diseases Translational Research Collaboration (RD TRC) to increase research collaborations that will lead to improved diagnosis, treatment and care for people with rare diseases.

The postholder will oversee the collection, processing and storage of data and samples. The successful candidate will work closely with the support staff and the research team to ensure that all the requirements for the study are in place, necessary regulatory and ethics approvals are obtained and the clinical study meets the governance criteria. The Theme Coordinator and Facilitator for NIHR Database will be responsible for preparing and presenting status reports as well as preparing regular updates and promotional materials for all stakeholders.

Candidates should have experience in using databases, be knowledgeable in research theory and practice and competent in data organisation. The successful applicant should be educated to masters level in a relevant discipline or have equivalent knowledge and experience. Excellent interpersonal and organisational skills are essential to this post. GCP training and knowledge of NIHR landscape and rare disease initiatives would be an advantage.

This position is full-time, fixed-term for 12 months.

Please quote ref 130886 on all correspondence. You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement as part of your online application.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 6 October 2017 can be considered. Interviews will be held on 17 October 2017.

## VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



### **RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS**

**Grade 7: £31,604 - £38,833 p.a.**

We are seeking an enthusiastic postdoctoral research assistant in Functional Genomics to work within a vibrant research team headed by Professor R Thakker, FRS at the Oxford Centre for Diabetes Endocrinology and Metabolism (OCDEM), at the University of Oxford Churchill Hospital site.

The successful applicant will join an interdisciplinary team from the Thakker laboratory investigating the mechanisms of G-protein coupled receptor (GPCR) signalling that involve the calcium-sensing receptor, and their aetiology in human disorders of calcium and glucose metabolism.

The postholder will have responsibility for designing and implementing projects to define the molecular mechanisms for calcium-sensing receptor, a GPCR, dysfunction using a range of human, in vitro and in vivo preclinical models.

Candidates should have a PhD in molecular biology, human genetics, biochemistry or a closely related field or be close to obtaining one. Relevant laboratory experience in genetics, mammalian cell culture, complex molecular cloning, transfection of mammalian cells, siRNA knockdown and over-expression in mammalian cell lines is essential for this post. Experience studying pre-clinical models would be an advantage.

The position is full-time, fixed-term until 30 September 2020 in the first instance and funded by the Wellcome Trust.

Please quote ref. 130982 on all correspondence. You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement as part of your online application.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 6 October 2017 can be considered. Interviews will be held on 17 October 2017.

## VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



### **RESEARCH FACILITATOR - OXFORD METABOLIC HEALTH**

**Grade 8: £39,992 - £47,722 p.a. (pro rata for part-time)**

THIS IS A READVERTISEMENT. PREVIOUS APPLICANTS NEED NOT APPLY.

We are seeking a Research Facilitator to support the coordination and promotion of metabolic research across the University of Oxford, as part of Oxford Metabolic Health (OMH). OMH brings together researchers from multiple University departments to enable strategic integration of research activities in metabolism, diabetes and obesity.

The postholder will provide critical administrative and scientific support for OMH. Responsibilities will be varied and range from strategic input into research direction, liaison with the internal and external scientific community, support for recruitment efforts and funding applications, coordination of meetings and workshops, and development of a website.

The postholder should have a thorough understanding of the full cycle of research funding, and experience of project management in academic and/or industrial settings. A scientific background is essential, and experience of metabolic research would be beneficial. Candidates should have extremely strong communication and organisational skills.

The position is full-time however, part-time work at a minimum of 0.60 FTE would be considered. This post is funded for 2.5 years by the John Fell Fund.

Appointment of suitable candidates at Grade 7 (£31,604 - £38,833 p.a., pro rata for part-time) may be possible with some amendment to the job specifications.

Please quote 130924 on all correspondence. You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement as part of your online application.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 13 October 2017 can be considered.



Dear colleagues,

**Access to Headington work on Headley Way – come and see the plans**

From January to August 2018, Oxfordshire County Council's Access to Headington work on Headley Way **will severely affect journey times to our Headington hospitals – and the John Radcliffe Hospital in particular.**

Please come and talk to the Access to Headington team and see their proposals, so that you can plan ahead for your patients, staff and visitors.

**Tuesday 12 September 8.30am - 9.30am**

By the League of Friends Café, Level 2, John Radcliffe Hospital

or

**Tuesday 19 September 12 noon - 2.00pm**

Atrium, West Wing, John Radcliffe Hospital

The Trust is working with all the agencies involved in the Access to Headington work to do all it can to mitigate the delays.

OUH staff will also be at these events to listen to your concerns and ideas, so that they can be fed back into the planning that is now underway.

We look forward to seeing you at one of these events; if you are unable to attend, please email your questions to [jo.lennon@ouh.nhs.uk](mailto:jo.lennon@ouh.nhs.uk) or see:

[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/accessheadington](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/accessheadington)

# Service Notice - ST2 Route (Churchill Drive Closure)

Due to roadworks Churchill Drive will be closed to traffic in both directions from 11 September 2017, for approximately 15 weeks.

During this time, route ST2 will drop off in Old Road near to the junction with Lime Walk and will pick up at the public bus stop in Old Road, Lime Walk bus stop. The service will also be observing the public bus stops at the junction of Old Road / Warneford Lane / Gypsy Lane.

The bus stop on Roosevelt Drive will not be served because of these roadworks.

This is due to Oxfordshire County Council installing signals at the Old Road/Churchill Drive junction and a bus gate on Roosevelt Drive as part of the Access to Headington improvements.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused.



# IMPORTANT SERVICE INTERRUPTION NOTICE

## Churchill Hospital Electrical Circuits Only

**Dates & Times**      **Monday 11 September between 07.00 – 07.01hrs (maximum of one minute)**  
**Tuesday 12 September between 07.00 – 07.01hrs (maximum of one minute)**

**Areas Affected**      All retained Estates areas including pharmacy, radio pharmacy, Pharmacy Distribution, Aseptic Suite, Tarver, John Warin, Sobell House, Haemophilia, Head & Neck, Pain Relief, Dermatology, Renal, Day Surgery, Osler, TSSU, OCDEM, GUM, Fulbrook Centre, IT Hub room, Security/Car parking, A2 Housing, University Depts (Vaccine Centre, RRI, TAC), Catering, Ambulance Station all, Hut 30, League of Friends

**Service Affected**      **Electrical Services: sockets, lighting and small power**

In all the above areas there will be a complete electrical isolation, so no power to sockets and no lighting except emergency lights from 07.00 to 07.01hrs (maximum of 1 minute)  
Please save your work and shutdown your computers prior to 07.00hrs.

Some areas will go onto a generator supply after 15 seconds but will then be interrupted again when the mains supply is restored, this would be the same as a monthly generator test.

**Areas NOT Affected:**      PFI

**Reason for interruption:**      11kV Network alterations and upgrade

**For further information:**      Kevin Tinson Mob: 07901 685672

**Date issued:**      Friday 08 September 2017  
Kevin Tinson  
Estates Operations Manager

## OCDEM SAF



The sign-up sheet for the Michaelmas term Friday Seminar Series has been posted outside the kitchen. Final year students who will be confirming during the 2017-2018 academic year, should contact Mandy or Maia once dates have been agreed with their supervisors and examiners.

Graduate students will be given priority for slots, but any other researchers in OCDEM are encouraged to sign-up for a session to inform others about their research projects.

Information about slot times are shown on the sign-up sheet and are summarised below:

1st year student	10 min + 5 min discussion	1/3 slot (book 1/2 slot)	(only 2 per session)
2nd year student	20 min + 10 min discussion	1/2 slot	
3rd year student	40 min + 15 min discussion	full slot (please book two rows)	
Others	20 min or 40 min	1/2 slot or full slot	

Hilary and Trinity term dates will be released later.

Any questions please contact the SAF Friday seminar series organisers: Amanda Bennett and Marijana Todorovic'

## **ALUMNI WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 2017**

University and college staff are invited to Meeting Minds in Oxford: Alumni Weekend 2017.

This year's Alumni Weekend takes place from Friday 15-Sunday 17 September and a full programme can be found [here](#).

Staff can purchase tickets from the Information desk at the Mathematical Institute on the Friday and Saturday of the Weekend, subject to availability.

### **Women of Achievement lecture series - book your place**

#### **In conversation with Helen Clark: Reflections on Women in Leadership**

[Sign up](#) to attend the next event in the Women of Achievement lecture series, scheduled for Monday 2 October, 5.30pm to 7pm at the [Weston Library Lecture Theatre](#).

Helen Clark was the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme from April 2009 until April 2017 and was the first woman to lead the organisation.

She was also the Chair of the United Nations Development Group, a committee consisting of the heads of all UN funds, programmes and departments working on development issues.

Prior to her appointment with UNDP, she served for nine years as Prime Minister of New Zealand, serving three successive terms from 1999 - 2008. Throughout her tenure as Prime Minister, Helen Clark engaged widely in policy development and advocacy across the international, economic, social and cultural spheres.

She was a member of the Council of Women World Leaders, an international network of current and former women presidents and prime ministers whose mission is to mobilize the highest-level women leaders globally for collective action on issues of critical importance to women and equitable development.

Please [book your place here](#). The event will be followed by a drinks reception.

## TRAINING



### **SAFETY TRAINING COURSES**

#### **Michaelmas Term 2017**

<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>WEEK</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
Introduction to Laser Safety	0	Thursday 5 October	15.00-16.30	Martin Wood Lecture Theatre, Department of Physics, Clarendon Laboratory, Parks Road
Fire Safety	2	Thursday 19 October	14.15-16.15	Wolfson Seminar Room, Chemistry Research Laboratory, Mansfield Road
Introduction to Biological Safety & Genetic Modification	2	Friday 20 October	10.30-12.30	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Radiation Safety for Laboratory Workers	3	Wednesday 25 October	14.00-16.00	Lecture Theatre, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road
Display Screen Equipment (DSE) Assessors'	3	Wednesday 25 October	14.30-16.30	Wolfson Seminar Room, Chemistry Research Laboratory, Mansfield Road
Introduction to Biological Safety & Genetic Modification	3	Thursday 26 October	14.00-16.00	Seminar Room, Nuffield Department of Medicine Research Laboratory, Old Road Campus, Roosevelt Drive
Departmental Safety Officers' (DSO) Induction – Module 1	4	Tuesday 31 October	09.30-13.00	Undergraduate A/B Room, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road
Coping with Challenging Behaviour	4	Friday 3 November	09.00-13.00	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Safe Use of X-ray Generators, Sealed Sources & Accelerators	5	Wednesday 8 November	14.00-16.00	Lecture Theatre, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road
Departmental Safety Officers' (DSO) Induction – Module 2	5	Wednesday 8 November	09.00-13.00	Undergraduate A/B Room, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road
Compressed Gas Safety	5	Friday 10 November	09.30-13.00	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road

Safe Use of Cryogenic Liquids	5	Friday 10 November	14.00-16.30	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Introduction to Laser Safety	6	Thursday 16 November	14.30-15.30	Wolfson Seminar Room, Chemistry Research Laboratory, Mansfield Road
Risk Assessment	6	Thursday 16 November	10.30-13.00	NDCLS Seminar Room, Nuffield Department of Clinical Laboratory Sciences, Level 4 Academic, John Radcliffe Hospital, Headley Way
Introduction to Manual Handling	6	Friday 17 November	09.00-12.00	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Introduction to Manual Handling	6	Friday 17 November	13.00-16.00	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Departmental Safety Officers' (DSO) Induction – Module 3	7	Monday 20 November	09.00-13.00	Undergraduate A/B Room, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road
Portable Power Tools – <b>New Course</b>	7	Tuesday 21 November	09.00-12.30	Blackwood Seminar Room, Pitt Rivers Museum, Robinson Close (entrance on South Parks Road)
Evac-Chair 300H & IBEX Transeat	7	Tuesday 21 November	10.30-12.30	Engineering Science Stairwell, Parks Road (meet in reception area)
Risk Assessment	7	Wednesday 22 November	14.00-16.30	Wolfson Seminar Room, Chemistry Research Laboratory, Mansfield Road
Permit to Work	7	Thursday 23 November	10.30-12.30	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Emergency First Aid for Fieldworkers	7	Friday 24 November	09.00-17.00	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Radiation Safety for Laboratory Workers	8	Wednesday 29 November	14.00-16.00	Lecture Theatre, Academic Centre, John Radcliffe Hospital, Headley Way
Chemical Safety & COSHH	8	Wednesday 29 November	14.00-16.30	Wolfson Seminar Room, Chemistry Research Laboratory, Mansfield Road
Display Screen Equipment (DSE) Coordinators'	8	Wednesday 29 November	14.00-16.30	Isis Training Room, IT Services, 13 Banbury Road
Introduction to Biological Safety & Genetic Modification	8	Thursday 30 November	10.30-12.30	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Asbestos Awareness	8	Friday 1 December	10.30-12.30	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road

Departmental Safety Officers' (DSO) Induction – Module 4	9	Tuesday 5 December	09.30-13.00	Undergraduate A/B Room, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road
Supervisors' Responsibilities	9	Wednesday 6 December	11.00-12.00	Wolfson Seminar Room, Chemistry Research Laboratory, Mansfield Road
Introduction to Biological Safety & Genetic Modification	9	Thursday 7 December	14.00-16.00	Seminar Room, Nuffield Department of Medicine Research Building, Old Road Campus, Roosevelt Drive
Departmental Safety Officers' 'Michaelmas Term' Meeting	-	Wednesday 13 December	11.30-14.30	Centenary Seminar Room, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road
Evac-Chair 300H & IBEX Transeat	TBC	TBC	10.30-12.30	Old Road Campus area - TBC