



FOR UNIVERSITY STAFF

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SEMINARS

This week's Wednesday seminar will be hosted by Associate Professor Leanne Hodson and the speaker is Professor Philip Calder of University of Southampton



The title of his talk is "Omega-3 Fatty Acids And Cardiometabolic Disease". The talk will begin promptly at 1pm in the Robert Turner Lecture Theatre, and sandwiches for those attending will be available from 12:45pm.

The OCDEM Wednesday Seminar Series is sponsored by an unrestricted educational grant from the Boehringer-Ingelheim

FRIDAY SEMINAR

There is no Friday Seminar this week

MEDICAL GRAND ROUNDS



Thursday 22 February from 13:00 to 14:00

John Radcliffe Hospital, Lecture Theatre

GU Medicine : Dr Mamatha Pocock

Gastroenterology: "Alcohol Crisis In Oxford: ACT Now", - Dr John Ryan

Chair: Prof Chris Conlon

INTRODUCING OXFORD METABOLIC HEALTH

Do you have a research interest in any aspect of diabetes, endocrinology, nutrition, obesity or metabolism? If so, please join Oxford Metabolic Health (OMH), a new interdepartmental and cross-divisional initiative that aims to bring together researchers with interests in the relationship between metabolism (in the broad sense of the term) and health. Save the date for our inaugural symposium on Monday 2 July.

Find out more about OMH and join the mailing list (*which is a link to: <https://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/support-services/opportunities-and-updates/introducing-the-oxford-metabolic-health-omh-network>*)

Jane Itzhaki | Research Facilitator for Oxford Metabolic Health

HAVE YOU SUBMITTED YOUR ABSTRACT FOR THE RDM SYMPOSIUM?

The deadline to submit your abstract for the RDM Symposium poster session is fast approaching (**22 February**)! New for this year, we will select the top two abstracts for an oral presentation as part of the speaker programme. This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your research so please do submit your work for consideration. Further guidelines can be found [online here](#).

OCDEM SENIOR ACADEMIC FACULTY



The Friday Seminar Series is a great opportunity for students and staff alike to practise presenting in an informal and friendly environment. It is also a useful way to keep everyone informed on your various ongoing projects, and to get input or feedback on your research to encourage a collaborative environment across the groups in OCDEM. There has been a significant decrease in the number of people signing up to give talks and this is extremely disappointing as it is something which is fully supported by the department and as it is during lunch time the department does provide sandwiches for all those attend. The sign-up sheet for the Trinity term Friday seminar series is now up outside the kitchen please make sure that you sign up. It would be very disappointing to see the Friday Seminar Series stopping due to lack of people signing up.



It's Pippin Doughnuts time again. They will be delivered on Thursday and the flavours this month are as follows:


Mixed berry jam
Vanilla custard
Chocolate
Cinnamon and brown sugar
Passion fruit curd
Tayberry jam
Butterscotch & hazelnut
Apple, blackberry and custard
Plum filled jam with a glaze & almonds

The price is £1.10 per doughnut. If you/your group wants to put in an order can you please provide Karen Parish with the details by 10 am tomorrow (Tuesday) along with the relevant money. Karen will take delivery of the doughnuts on the day.

FINANCE



REMINDER – RAISING OF PURCHASE ORDERS

A purchase order **must** be raised in [Oracle Financials](#) in respect of all purchases of goods and services (including advance payments), except those on the [List of Purchase Order Exceptions to Requisitioning](#)  (81kb). **Orders must be raised and appropriately authorised before making any commitment to a supplier, and specifically before the invoice is received.** If you have any queries regarding this then please contact either Karen Parish or Lynne Whay.

VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



SENIOR DATA MANAGER

Grade 7: £31,604 - £38,833 p.a.

The University of Oxford Diabetes Trials Unit (DTU) is seeking a Senior Data Manager to oversee data management activities for a range of trials conducted by the Unit. The DTU, a fully registered UKCRC Clinical Trials Unit, is an internationally recognised Academic Research Organisation that specialises in designing and performing diabetes and cardiovascular outcome megatrials.

Reporting to the DTU Head of Clinical Research, the postholder will plan, implement, and oversee best practice data management activities to ensure the acquisition of high quality study data for all DTU research projects, ranging from early phase single site trials to international mega-trials.

We are seeking a highly skilled, self-motivated individual, with previous experience in clinical research data management, electronic data capture systems, custom report creation using report utilities such as Business Objects 4, BOXI, or JReview, and the ability to work within an interdisciplinary team. The successful candidate will have sound knowledge of current ethical and regulatory frameworks pertaining to data management governing the conduct of clinical trials. Prior knowledge of SQL query language, CDISC SDTM, ADAM, and CDASH are beneficial.

Responsibilities include management of staff, development of trial-specific, risk-based Data Management Plans, development of monitoring metrics for clinical trial operations, and review and maintenance of Unit-wide SOPs related to data management.

This is a full-time, fixed-term appointment for 2 years in the first instance.

Please quote Reference 133252 in all correspondence

Only applications received by 12.00 midday on 2 March 2018 can be considered. Interviews are due to be held on 22 March 2018.

TRAINING COURSE INFORMATION



In Week 6 we are running the following FREE workshops. Please follow the links below to book your place:

[Bodleian iSkills: Open Access Oxford - what's happening? \(Tue 20 Feb 11.00-12.00\)](#)

A briefing on open access publishing and Oxford's position including guidance on how to comply with the Open Access requirements for the REF and mandates from key funding bodies whilst respecting your publisher's rights and policies.

Who is this session for? Current Oxford researchers and academics, research support staff and librarians

[Referencing: Mendeley \(Tue 20 Feb 14.00-17.00\)](#)

Mendeley is a reference management tool that helps you build libraries of references and then add citations and bibliographies to word processed documents. This session gives an overview of Mendeley and is run in two parts. Part 1 covers the basics of using Mendeley for reference management and part 2 covers more advanced functionality. To attend the basic and/or more advanced part of the class please book by following the link above. Once you have booked a place you will be advised re the content and coverage of each part and what to do if you only want to attend part 1 or part 2.

Who is this session for? Students, researchers and university staff

[Bodleian iSkills: Research impact - citation analysis tools \(Wed 21 Feb 14.00-15.30\)](#)

During this introduction to citation tracking and bibliometrics we will use a range of 'impact factor' tools to find top journals and conferences, count citations and measure the impact of publications and researchers.

Who is this session for? Researchers, Academics, Research Support Staff and Research Postgraduates in Sciences and Social Sciences.

[Referencing: Zotero \(Thu 22 Feb 14.00-17.00\) Week 6](#)

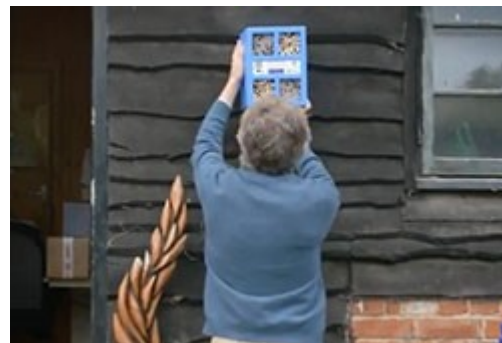
Zotero is a reference management tool that helps you build libraries of references and add citations and bibliographies to word processed documents using your chosen citation style. This introductory session covers the main features of Zotero.

Who is this session for? Students, researchers and staff needing to manage references and create bibliographies

ESTATES SERVICES NEWS

BEE HOTELS TO GO UP AROUND OXFORD

Oxford's solitary bees – members of species that spend most of their lives alone rather than living in a colony with many others of their kind – will be getting luxurious new accommodation under an initiative run by Estates Services staff as one of the first contributions to its recently-launched [Biodiversity strategy](#), alongside plans to build a 'swift hotel' in the University Parks. Numerous 'bee hotels' – collections of bamboo tubes that provide ideal homes for the unsociable insects – are already in place around Wytham Woods, but the team are now working with Environmental Sustainability to find places for 60 more around Oxford. Solitary bees perform an important role in ecosystems, particularly for their work pollinating flowers, but many species are in long-term decline, in large part because they have fewer and fewer suitable places to live. The hotels will start going up in March or April; staff who would like to help out by installing one in their college, department or facility should contact sustainability@admin.ox.ac.uk



Wytham Chalet refurbishment expected to start in autumn 2018



Plans to refurbish the genuine Alpine chalet in Wytham Woods – among the most visible legacies of the ffennel family's ownership of the land before they bequeathed it to the University – are set to turn it into a research hub with lab space and accommodation for scientists. The project is now underway and making good progress. The design has been finalised and the University is awaiting feedback on its application for planning permission. A survey is now being carried out to determine the exact whereabouts of the breeding colony of pipistrelle bats that lives nearby. It is likely that work will have to wait until around September 2018 to minimise disturbance to the protected creatures – this will be after their breeding season but before they are looking for places to hibernate.

LOVE TO RIDE SCHEME AIMS TO GET OXFORD ON ITS BIKE



Oxford is one of six higher education institutions to pilot the National Union of Students UniCycle initiative, to show people how easy and enjoyable cycling is, both for seasoned cyclists and newbies. The [website launched in December](#), and anyone can sign up. By downloading the mobile phone app and registering their departments or colleges, users can track how many miles they have cycled. The pilot runs until summer and is intended to encourage staff and students who are new to cycling to give it a go.