Paths for Postdocs

The Women@Imperial series of events will be a celebration of the College’s academic women past, present and future, as well as those women who have inspired and continue to inspire our staff and students. As part of the celebration, the Postdoc Development Centre will be hosting a series of talks from ex-postdocs entitled ‘Paths for Postdocs’.

The series of talks will take place over lunchtime (with lunch provided) and be held on the South Kensington Campus. For more information and details on how to register to attend these talks, please see below.

Come and join us to hear about the exciting careers our postdocs have move on to.

Dates:
- 9th February 2015 – Dr Olive Murphy – 12:00 – 14:00
- 17th February 2015 - Dr Eleanor Schofield – 12:00 – 14:00
- 23rd February 2015 – Dr Charlotte Weller – 12:00 – 14:00
- 4th March 2015 – Dr Victoria Barker – 12:00 – 14:00

Paths for Postdocs – 9th February 2015
12:00 – 14:00 (lunch provided)

“Postdoc to Post-Imperial - is there life after ICL?”

Guest Speaker: Dr Olive Murphy

Job Title: RF Silicon Evaluation Engineer

Place of Work: Analog Devices, Cork, Ireland.

Scientific Background:
I have a first class honours Bachelor, Masters of Engineering Science and PhD in Electrical & Electronic Engineering from University College Cork, Ireland followed by >8 years postdoctoral service; with the vast majority of this as a Research Fellow in the Institute of Biomedical Engineering and Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Imperial College London.

To register for this event please complete the Qualtrics survey: https://imperial.eu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_6M5Q57iKJHe90Et
**Paths for Postdocs - 17th February 2015**

12:00 – 14:00 (lunch provided)

“A journey to the past: using science to explore a Tudor collection”

**Guest Speaker:** Dr Eleanor Schofield

**Job title:** Conservation Manager

**Place of work:** Mary Rose Trust, Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

**Scientific background:**
I completed my undergrad and PhD in the Materials Science department at Imperial. After this I undertook my first postdoc position at Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory for two and a half years, working on an environmental science project. I then completed my second postdoc at the University of Kent for two and a half years developing treatments for acidic waterlogged archaeological wood. I then went out of research for a brief stint working as a Publisher for Elsevier before securing my current position at the Mary Rose Trust.

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**Paths for Postdocs - 23rd February 2015**

12:00 – 14:00 (lunch provided)

“Where next? Experiences of a working mum in academia, industry and charity”

**Guest Speaker:** Dr Charlotte Weller

**Job title:** Senior Portfolio Developer for Infection and Immuno-biology

**Place of work:** The Wellcome Trust

**Scientific background:**
After completing a BSc in genetics and an MPhil in molecular and cellular biology at Birmingham University I moved to Imperial College London in 1998 to study for a PhD investigating host/ parasite interactions in the Biochemistry Department. I changed labs to Leukocyte Biology (NHLI) whilst writing up and continued my research at Imperial College London as a postdoc for nine more years. My project was to investigate the mediators controlling mast cell progenitor recruitment and maturation in health and disease with a focus on respiratory disease. In 2010 I moved into industry taking up a laboratory head role at Novartis with a focus on target identification and validation within the respiratory disease area. In June 2014 I took up my role as Senior Portfolio Developer at the Wellcome Trust overseeing the immunology portfolio. I have had two children along the way and am still trying to find the right work: life balance.

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Guest Speaker: Dr Victoria Barker

Job Title: Trainee Patent Attorney

Place of work: Dehns, Brighton

Scientific background:
I have a DPhil in Organic Chemistry and MChem chemistry, both from Oxford University. I was a postdoc at Imperial for just under two years in the Department of Chemistry working with Professor Ed Tate and Professor Robin Leatherbarrow. Whilst at Imperial I worked on the synthesis of drug-like molecules for use in the treatment of neglected tropical diseases. In 2011 I joined Dehns to become a Trainee Patent Attorney.

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