

White Rose BBSRC DTP Newsletter

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BBSRC grant code

A reminder to supervisors and students that the BBSRC grant code must be added to all publications – To enable us to track the individual students acknowledged. If you do not know what the grant code is, please contact the DTP Co-ordinator, Catherine Liddle email: c.m.liddle@leeds.ac.uk

Latest PIPS opportunities

Brand new PIPS opportunities – offered for the first time!

Brand new opportunity with an innovative start-up company! Deadline Monday 20th January 2020:

[Tree Seed project – Innovation Development Intern at SilviBio](#) – NEW

Unique opportunity to get into science training! Rolling deadline:

[CambioScience education technology](#) - NEW

Rolling deadlines

The following opportunities have rolling deadlines but don't be fooled – Places get booked up quickly so apply now if you are interested, or at least contact the organisation to make an initial enquiry:

[PoPPI Creating Resources for Public Engagement](#)

[Singer Instruments](#)

[Cambridge Cancer Genomics – Software Engineer Intern](#)

[Reflection Therapeutics](#)

Please ensure you have read all the PIPS information on the DTP website before you start your search:

<https://www.whiterose-mechanisticbiology-dtp.ac.uk/>

First year profiles on website – ACTION REQUIRED

If you have not yet submitted your profile, please do so before **9am Monday 27th January**, using this link:

<https://leeds.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/2019-starters-website-profiles>

For reference and ideas, the profiles that have already been submitted can be found here:

<https://www.whiterose-mechanisticbiology-dtp.ac.uk/cohort/2019/>

Training Event – AI and The Life Sciences

[Bridging the Gap: AI & The Life Sciences](#)

Date: Monday 27th January 2020

Time: 09:00 – 19:00 GMT

Location: The University of Leeds

A conference targeted at post-graduates, post-docs and early career researchers from life science and computing backgrounds, to spark inspiration and collaboration on AI projects at this interface.

Click on the title to go to course details and booking link.

Student Symposium 2019

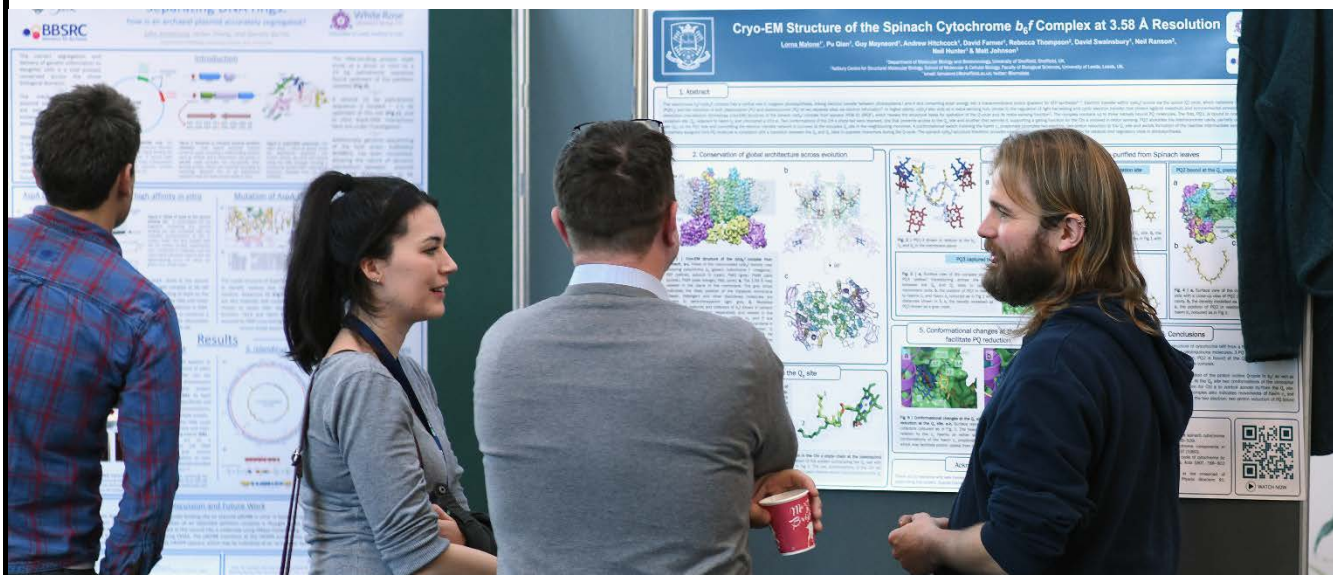
We had a fantastic time at the DTP Symposium held on Friday 13th December 2019 at The University of York.



Congratulations to our prize winners!

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| 1 st Prize Research Talk | Jessica Ebo |
| Joint 2 nd Prize Research Talk | Peter Walker & Michaela Agapiou |
| 1 st Prize Poster Teaser | Paul Bond |
| 2 nd Prize Poster Teaser | Ainhoa Dafis-Sagarmendi |

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| Best 3rd Year Poster | Holly Morgan |
| Best 4th Year Poster | Nicholas Yates |
| Best PIPS talk | Lukas Jasaitis |



Keynote speaker

It was a pleasure to welcome our keynote speaker and alumnus, Eleanor Walton. She gave us an honest and humorous account of her journey from undergrad to her current position as Research Area Lead for Epigenetics at [abcam](#) in Cambridge, giving many valuable insights in how to find an enjoyable careers, whilst not letting barriers (in Eleanor's case, dyslexia) get in the way! Eleanor really enjoyed visiting us and is very pleased that some of you have already connected via LinkedIn.

Connect with Eleanor on LinkedIn [here](#)



Thanks

The biggest thanks go to our brilliant Student Reps for organising the Symposium. Thank you Michaela, Sarah, Amber, Sarah, Lewis and our honorary Student Rep on the planning team, Ioannis. You did an amazing and incredibly professional job! Many people commented on how smoothly the event had run on the day.

New Student Reps for Leeds – ACTION REQUIRED

Three of our Student Reps are standing down to focus on the final year of their PhDs. They are:

Leeds – Michaela Agapiou (bsma@leeds.ac.uk) & Sarah Good (bs12scg@leeds.ac.uk)

York – Lewis White (lhw569@york.ac.uk)

At the DTP Management Board held in December, they were thanked for their high quality work on the Student Symposium this year, for their sterling service supporting students in their host institutions and their work with the Management Board on behalf of the students across the DTP. We wish them good luck with their studies and future careers.

This means we need new Student Reps to take over. Finding new Student Reps is the task of the outgoing Student Reps. Lewis at York has already recruited two new Reps to replace himself. Michaela and Sarah are in the process of searching for new Reps for Leeds.

Amber Shun-Shion and Sarah Gratton at Sheffield will be continuing for another year, so there will be some handover of expertise.

ACTION: If you are interested in becoming a DTP Student Rep for Leeds, contact Michaela and Sarah – email addresses above – for an informal, no obligation chat about the role.

Social media

Calling all social media experts! We are looking for interested students and supervisors to join a Working Group to develop and improve our social media presence. We want to know how we can make the website and other communication channels more student and supervisor focussed. We also need to improve the information available for our external stakeholders, including current and potential PIPS host organisations, the BBSRC and many more. We need people who can research the needs, those who can write content, and those who have the technical skills to upload and manage content to create a coherent message across all our social media platforms. You will make a valuable and visible difference to the student and supervisor experience across the DTP.

We already have some volunteers – thank you 😊 An initial meeting will be pulled together as soon as possible to discuss roles and responsibilities and ideas.

ACTION: If you are interested in being involved, please email Catherine (c.m.liddle@leeds.ac.uk). You can attend the first meeting with no obligation for further involvement.

BBSRC Strategy Research Advisory Panels

For supervisors – The BBSRC has launched a call for expressions of interest to join the core membership of its Strategy Advisory Panels. Deadline for applications is 14th January 2020 16:00.

For further information and to apply: [BBSRC Strategy Research Advisory Panels call](#)

Your newsletter

If you have anything that will be useful to share across the DTP, please send information and articles to Catherine (c.m.liddle@leeds.ac.uk) for inclusion in the next newsletter.

And finally...meme of the week...



Keep in touch via social media

Website: <https://www.whiterose-mechanisticbiology-dtp.ac.uk/>

Twitter [@BBSRCWhiteRose](https://twitter.com/BBSRCWhiteRose)

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8567834/>

Contact

If you have any questions or queries about anything in this bulletin or about the DTP, please contact:

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... or contact your friendly, local Student Reps:

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