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Training and Personal Development



May 2017

Earlier this month we ran our popular [Unconscious Bias](#) course, which attendees found interesting and thought provoking.

Coming up later this month is our course on [Scientific Laboratory Leadership and Management](#) with Charlie Wilson OBE MRSB. This year's course will include a Q&A session with members and Fellows of the Society, who have a wealth of experience in laboratory leadership and management in industry. Limited places remain on this course, so please book soon to secure your place.

In June we are providing an evening course on [Networking Skills](#), please see our website for further details and register soon to secure your place.

Please see our website for a full list of our [upcoming courses](#).

Training support for professional registers

RSB courses may provide CPD support for those on, or applying to, our [professional registers](#).

Our [Training Support for Professional Registers](#) document lists a range of courses that we run to support the competencies underpinning our professional registers.

Please contact training@rsb.org.uk for further information.

Let us know which new courses you would like to see

In a bid to expand our training programme and ensure that the courses we offer are relevant to those working in the life sciences sector, we are now [inviting expressions of interest](#) in potential upcoming courses.



Best Wishes,

Naomi Smith

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Expressing your interest in a course is free and will not commit you to attending the course, but we may contact you to let you know when we have received sufficient interest to run the course.

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Online training

The Society's new online training portal is now live. Our first online training course – [Gopher Science Lab](#) – is aimed at primary and secondary teachers and those wishing to offer science outreach in primary schools.

More online courses will be coming soon – visit [myLearning](#) or [contact us](#) to find out more.

If you would be interested in developing a training course for our online training platform please complete our [online course proposal form](#) and email it to training@rsb.org.uk



Upcoming RSB training courses

Scientific Laboratory Leadership and Management

When: 25 May 2017 (full day course)

Where: Impact Hub, King's Cross, 34b York Way, King's Cross London, N1 9AB

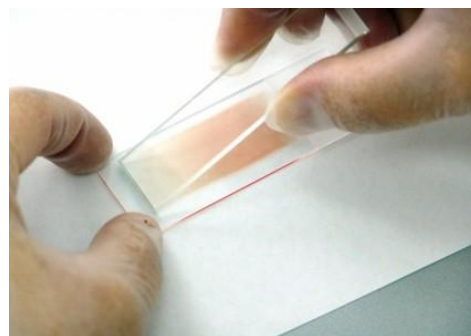
What: Management skills are vital for a successful career in a scientific lab environment. As well as their research expertise, successful team leaders need to develop additional skills including the ability to support staff, manage their own team, and deal with issues within the team. This course will help attendees to develop these skills.

Tutor: Charlie Wilson OBE MRSB has spent the last six years as a coach and consultant in team-working and leadership, working with industry, banks and schools. Before that he was an officer in the Royal Navy with a varied career that included everything from Defence Attaché to ship command in both peace and war.

Who: This course is suitable for laboratory team leaders and principal investigators who want to improve the way they manage their teams, as well as postdoctoral researchers who have been selected for, or aspire to, promotion to team leadership positions.

CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can be counted as 21 CPD points.

Fees: From £100 +VAT



Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).

Networking Skills

When: 07 June 2017 (evening course)

Where: Charles Darwin House 2, 107 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8TZ

What: Throughout our careers we all have to attend meetings, conferences and events and yet 90% of us dislike this form of professional engagement. Many of us may make excuses not to engage with strangers and make small talk, and miss out on opportunities as a result.

Networking events are an excellent means of finding new contacts, gaining access to new or different information, building and nurturing existing relationships and developing opportunities.

This event will finish with a 'real life' networking opportunity, where attendees will have the opportunity to put the techniques discussed into practice.

Tutor: Course tutor [Sarae Pratt](#) has 15+ years in the HR and learning & development field. She has worked in several countries across a number of industries and sectors - as a staff development manager, L&D business partner, HR consultant and talent manager. She now runs her own business to stretch your life through coaching and training.

Who: This course is suitable for people looking: for a job; to change jobs; to develop their career; or to gain more confidence in building relationships.

CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can be counted as 7.5 CPD points.

Fees: From £55 +VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).



Taking and Writing Effective Minutes

When: 05 July 2017 (full day course)

Where: Charles Darwin House 2, 107 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8TZ

What: This course provides a sound introduction to minute-taking and equips you with the knowledge and skills you need to write professional minutes with confidence.

Tutor: Gill Dandy is a communications professional with 25 years consultancy and in-house experience in the public relations industry. Her communications experience includes working as director of development and PR in Higher Education, communications director of a membership organisation and interim director of communications for a disability charity.

Who: This course is useful if you have to take minutes as part of your work, whether you are asked to minute the occasional team meeting or are responsible for minuting formal board meetings. It is suitable if you have never taken minutes before, or if you would like a refresher and clarification of minute-taking.



CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can be counted as 18 CPD points.

Fees: From £200 + VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking.](#)

Training the Trainer

When: 15 August 2017 (full day course)

Where: Lumen URC, 88 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RS

What: You will gain confidence in how to present information effectively, with variety and flair and acquire the skills to deal with the dynamics of group learning.

This highly practical course will introduce you to new techniques, enhance your communication skills and provide opportunities to 'have a go'.

Tutor: Jakki has over ten years' experience as a consultant, trainer and coach specialising in facilitation skills, training the trainer and organisational communication. Jakki has had extensive experience with not-for-profit organisations and professional bodies. She has an MBA from Manchester Business School, and post-graduate certificates in training practice and coaching. She is an Associate of the CIPD (Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development).

Who: Whether training is a big part of your role, or just a small aspect of your job, our Training the Trainer course will help you design and deliver effective training programmes.

CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can be counted as 18 CPD points.

Fees: From £150 +VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking.](#)



Public engagement: Getting started

When: 12 September 2017 (full day course)

Where: Lumen URC, 88 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RS

What: This course will provide participants with an understanding of what public engagement is and what's in it for them. Participants will gain awareness of a range of public engagement opportunities available, and gain confidence in taking the first steps towards undertaking public engagement activities.

Tutor: Ceri Harrop is a freelance public engagement professional and currently holds freelance contracts with The Royal Society and The Nuffield Foundation. Ceri also works part-time as the Public Programmes Manager for the Wellcome Trust Centre for Cell-Matrix Research. Ceri has built a vibrant and strategic public engagement programme from scratch and works to support and enable researchers to put public engagement into practice. Ceri has a longstanding passion for public engagement, which she discovered early on in her research career as a PhD student and has continued with ever since.

Who: This course is suitable for anyone who would like to develop their knowledge, skills and confidence to take their first steps into public engagement.



CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can be counted as 15 CPD points.

Fees: From £140 +VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).

An Introduction to Project Management

When: 27 September 2017 (full day course)

Where: Lumen URC, 88 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RS

What: Participants will learn the skills and planning tools they need to successfully complete a project, and how to anticipate and resolve the issues they are likely to encounter on the way.

Tutor: The course tutor Dr Cliff Collis FRSB worked as a communications specialist for a large drug company, working with drug development teams in knowledge/issue management for meetings with upper company managers and regulators to progress new drugs through the development process.

Who: A course for those who have recently become involved in or responsible for project management but who have limited or no experience or training.

CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can count as 21 CPD points.

Fees: From £100 +VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).



Bioscience Research Skills Masterclass

When: 28 September 2017 (full day course)

Where: Charles Darwin House 2, 107 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8TZ

What: This course will enhance your skills in research design, data analysis and data presentation, developing your skills needed for further research in industry or academia.

Tutors: Emeritus Professor Michael W Fowler PhD CBIOL FRSB FRSA FRSM and Professor David Hornby PhD FRSB.

Who: This course is suitable for final year undergraduates, Msc students and early PhD students.

CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can count as 21 CPD points.

Fees: TBC - Booking opens soon

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).



Persuasive Scientific Report Writing

When: 16 October 2017 (full day course)

Where: Medical School, University of Birmingham, Vincent Drive, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2SG

What: Following the success of the previous courses in 2014, 2015 and 2016, the Society continues to offer this one-day introductory course. Participants will learn the principles and processes for high quality communication in scientific thinking and writing, with plenty of opportunity to discuss and practise the skills learnt.

Tutor: The course tutor Dr Cliff Collis FRSB worked as a communications specialist for a large drug company, working with drug development teams in knowledge/ issue management for meetings with upper company managers and regulators to progress new drugs through the development process.

Who: For writers of technical, scientific and other related reports or documents, who wish to improve their report and general document writing skills.

CPD: This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and can count as 18 CPD points.

Fees: From £100 +VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).



Volunteer Support and Management

When: 18 October 2017 (full day course)

Where: Lumen URC, 88 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RS

What: Volunteers give their time for free to get involved in statutory, community and charitable work and are an integral part of the life of most community organisations. They bring a huge amount of capacity, knowledge, enthusiasm and empathy, but in order for it to work their involvement needs to be well planned and managed. This course will equip you with knowledge and skills needed to do this.

Tutor: Karen Chillman, head of volunteering at Croydon Voluntary Action (CVA), has worked in the charity sector for over 30 years and has spent over 15 years working with local organisations to develop their volunteering good practice.

Who: For those who are new to, or would like to improve their skills in, volunteer support and management.

CPD: This event is approved by the Royal Society of Biology for purposes of [CPD](#) and may be counted as 15 CPD credits.

Fees: From £100 + VAT

Please see the event webpage for [further info and booking](#).



RSB Awards and Competitions

Royal Society of Biology Science Communication Awards 2017

Are you a bioscience researcher involved in science communication? If you work in any sector of UK biosciences, from universities, institutes or industry, apply for the Royal Society of Biology [Science Communication Awards 2017](#). There are two categories: New Researcher Prize (£750) and Established Researcher Prize (£1500).

Apply by **Friday 30th June 2017** and contact [Isabel Brinsden](#) with any enquiries.



The [Nancy Rothwell Award](#) specimen drawing competition for 7 – 18 year olds is now open – submit entries by **11th September**

Royal Society of Biology Photography Competition 2017

The Hidden World is the theme of this year's Royal Society of Biology [Photography Competition](#). The earth harbours a wealth of hidden secrets and surprises and we invite you to capture or uncover this hidden world of biology. Supported by Eppendorf, there are two categories each with a cash prize: 18+ (£1000) and under 18s (£500).

Get snapping and submit up to three images by **Thursday 31st August 2017**.

Please contact Isabel Brinsden at photocomp@rsb.org.uk with any enquiries.

Training discounts available to RSB members on external training courses

Wildlife Conservation Programme, Nkonzo Bush Academy, South Africa

Where: Near Mossel Bay, South Africa

Nkonzo Bush Academy would like to offer all RSB members a 20% discount for the year of 2017 on their Wildlife Conservation Program. Find exclusive details on their [website](#) or [email](#) them.



Upcoming Member Organisation training events

Event	Date
<u>Quantitative Proteomics</u>	22.05.17 - 23.05.17 London
<u>Engaging with Parliament and responding to inquiries</u>	26.05.17 London
<u>Understanding and Treating Respiratory Disease: A Persistent Challenge</u>	30.05.17 - 01.06.17 Online
<u>Biomedical Engineering: problem solving using clinical and biomedical applications</u>	06.06.17 - 08.06.17 Online
<u>Surveying for bats</u>	08.06.17 Somerset
<u>Interpreting and Using Systematic Reviews</u>	12.06.17 London



<u>The Management of Genetically Altered Rodent Colonies</u>	25.06.17 - 16.06.17 Milan, Italy
<u>Non-Coding RNA: Recent Insights into the Mechanisms of Action</u>	22.06.17 - 23.06.17 Edinburgh
<u>Automatic species identification (bats)</u>	23.06.17 Swindon

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