

ACADEMIC NEWS

- *Eric Lauga* has been awarded the CUSU Student-Led Teaching Award in the Lecturer category. Now in their third year these Awards are a unique opportunity for students to recognise the exceptional contribution of those who teach and support them in their education.
- *Michael Cates* has been awarded the [2016 Bingham Medal](#) by The Society of Rheology. The Society's Bingham Medal has been awarded annually since 1948 to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the Science of Rheology.
- *Stuart Dalziel* has been elected as a [EUROMECH Fluid Mechanics Fellow](#), for "his seminal contributions to experimental techniques and experimental understanding of stratified and rotating fluids, for his influential directorship of the Batchelor Laboratory, and for his mentoring of young scientists". The fellowship will be awarded in September at the 11th European Fluid Mechanics Conference in Seville.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cambridge Postdoc Enterprise Competition

This [EPOC competition](#) is being held in conjunction with the 'Start-up skills workshop for PostDocs' (details below). The 2016 competition opens for entries on *Tuesday 3rd May*. This business plan contest offers the chance for University postdocs to win early funding for their business ideas, with awards of £20k and £10k for the two winners. More information on the competition, including the application form and handbook can be found on the EPOC website. The application closing date is *Thursday 30th June*.

Early career researchers: study on scholarly communication (CIBER Research)

[CIBER Research](#) is seeking early career researchers (ECRs) from the sciences and social sciences to take part in an international research study funded by the publishingresearchconsortium.com.

They wish to interview researchers currently located in either the UK or the USA who are not older than 35 and who either have received their PhD and are currently in a research position, or have been in research positions but are currently working towards a PhD. In neither case should researchers be in established or tenured positions. For those who are selected to participate in the project they will be offered an Amazon voucher/book token etc. worth £50 for each of the three years.

Review of Research Administration (as published in *The Reporter*, 27th April 2016)

Members of the Regent House are invited to contribute to a review of research administration within the University. The review will be conducted by a panel chaired by Professor David Cardwell, Head of the Department of Engineering. The panel members will be predominantly from outside the University, with expertise drawn from industry, Research Councils, charity funders, and other Higher Education institutions. The Head of the Registry's Office will act as Secretary to the review.

The terms of reference for the review can be found at <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/cam-only/reporter/2015-16/weekly/6423/Review-Research-Admin-TOR.pdf>. Members of the Regent House are asked to be forward-looking in their responses, focusing on what support is needed to improve the University's research standing, rather than examining in detail any difficulties arising from the current structure of the Research Operations Office. Respondents are asked to consider the broad question:

What changes, if any, would you make to the research administration to ensure that it provides the most effective support to the University's research?

Respondents are also asked to focus particularly on the following questions:

- a) Where would different functions of research administration be best placed (e.g. centrally, in Schools and/or Faculties and Departments, or a combination of both), and why (e.g. to streamline the grants approval process)?
- b) What areas of expertise would be valuable to research operations at Cambridge (e.g. the provision of dedicated support for big grants and the management of different research relationships)?
- c) If you have had experience of research administration in other institutions, please provide any exemplars of good practice.

The questions above seek to identify an administrative structure that will best support the University's research activity in the medium term. The outcome and recommendations of the review will assist the

University in the formulation of a facilitative, flexible research administration where each element adds value. The Chair would welcome input from members of the Regent House to this important consultation by 12 noon on Wednesday, 25th May 2016. Responses can be provided by email to consultationresponses@admin.cam.ac.uk. Input to the consultation is also being sought from the Councils of the Schools and Faculty Boards.

SURVEY: Future needs of Mathematicians in publishing research

There is some work being done currently on the current state and future needs of mathematicians in terms of how they publish and communicate work. This [anonymous survey](#) is for those who have been involved with a mathematical journal as editor, reviewer/referee, author or reader in the last three years. By "mathematical" we also mean to include theoretical computer science and operations research journals, and disciplinary journals used by applied mathematicians. Essentially, any journal covered by Mathematical Reviews qualifies.

EVENTS

Employee Benefits Drop in Session and Dignity @ Work Presentation

The following events, hosted by members of the Human Resources Division, will be taking place on *Tuesday 3rd May*:

Employee Benefits Drop in Session

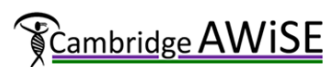
12.30pm – 2.30pm, in the Central Core outside Pavilion D

Dignity@Work presentation

3.00pm – 3.30pm, in MR15, CMS

All staff are welcome to attend both events, and there is no need to book.

Cambridge AWiSE - 'Building the Business Case for Diversity' Online Game evening



Dr Suzanne Doyle-Morris, founder of the InclusIQ Institute and author of 'Beyond the Boys Club' and 'Female Breadwinners', will be running an innovative 'serious game' workshops which will use an online role play game as a springboard for live discussion on diversity and inclusion in the workplace.

This event will be taking place on *Tuesday 17th May, 8.00pm-10.00pm* in the *Wood-Leigh Room, Lucy Cavendish College*. Further details on the course and how to register can be found on the [AWiSE website](#).

Newcomers and Visiting Scholars (NVS)

The [Newcomers and Visiting Scholars](#) group welcome all those who are new, and attached in some way, to the University of Cambridge, whether here alone or with family. They meet on Tuesday mornings during term time at the University Centre (Granta Place) and these meetings are a main feature of the group. These meetings are where members can make their bookings for [events](#), drink coffee and chat, and also listen to interesting talks. Full details can be found on their website.

Start-up skills workshop for PostDocs: Pitching and business plan writing to make your new company stand out, with Dr Darrin Disley

Wednesday 25th May, 5.30pm - 7.30pm at the *Institute for Manufacturing, Lecture Theatres 1 & 2*.

Cambridge Enterprise and the Entrepreneurial Postdocs of Cambridge (EPOC) are holding a workshop on the skills you'll need to form or get your start-up off the ground, run by Dr Darrin Disley the CEO of Horizon Discovery Group plc. If you are a postdoc looking to start a company, or you've got an idea but you need help getting it down on paper or presenting to investors, this workshop will cover the dos and don'ts of writing a business plan, as well as hints and tips on giving the perfect investor pitch. Refreshments will be provided.

NB: Spaces for the workshop are limited, and [registration](#) in advance is essential.

Cambridge University Botanic Garden

[Family Event: Ladybirds](#)

Saturday 7th May, from 11.00am-3.00pm

Everyone loves ladybirds. Find out about these fascinating insects and make ladybird art at this workshop. Drop in, no booking required. Free for children, normal garden admission for adults.

Fitzwilliam Museum - Museums at Night event

Friday 13th May, 5.00pm – 9.00pm

Drop-in and view the permanent collections and exhibitions when the Shop will be open for late-night shopping and the Café will be serving cocktails and Mediterranean nibbles and platters. There will also be a jazz trio performing in the Courtyard from 7.45pm. As part of [Museums at Night](#) there will also be a special [free event with Sophie Hannah](#).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Accommodation wanted

Professor James Hartle is visiting DAMTP for four weeks sometime between the beginning of October to mid November 2016, and is looking for accommodation for himself and his wife. Ideally they would like a flat within walking distance of the city centre. If anyone is able to help with this please contact James Parke (jp627@cam.ac.uk).

Betty & Gordon Moore Library – free book give away

There are some free fiction books left over from the recent 'World Book Night' being given away on a first come first served basis in the Library. These are 'Love Poems' by Carol Ann Duffy, 'Reasons to Stay Alive' by Matt Haig and 'Treachery', S. J Parris.

Tripes Examination helpers required

The Undergraduate Office is currently recruiting helpers for the 2016 Mathematics Tripos examinations, which take place from *Tuesday 24th May* to *Wednesday 8th June*. They are particularly seeking PhD's and Postdoc's volunteers, but any reliable people with an eye for detail are most welcome too. Excellent rates of pay are offered for Invigilators, Mark checkers, Script sorters and Attendants. Please contact the Undergraduate Office at: undergrad-office@maths.cam.ac.uk by *Friday 6th May* if you are interested in being involved with this.

Undergraduate Office – Staff changes

We're pleased to announce that Emma Myer in addition to her current role will now be providing cover for administration of the Part III Exams, as Glory Dalton has taken up a secondment opportunity in the School of Biological Sciences. Emma can be found in room B1.28, and her contact details are 66879, undergrad-office@maths.cam.ac.uk.

Cambridge City Council – Election Night help required

Cambridge City Council is looking for some help on election night (*Thursday 5th May*), to help count local election votes.

- **Count assistants** are required on *Thursday 5th May*, from 9.30pm.
- £34.45 basic pay plus £11.59 p/h after midnight (gross)

You would be working in a small team, counting the ballot papers under the direction of a Count Supervisor and under the scrutiny of the candidates and political party election agents. You should be able to maintain a high degree of accuracy and work under pressure. The election count can be an exciting event, but it can also be a long night. Be prepared to work to the early hours of Friday morning!

If you are interested in any of the above, or have friends or family who would like to be part of the democratic process, email val.osbourn@cambridge.gov.uk with your name and contact details or ring Val on 01223 457049.