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09:30 – 09:45

Cecilia Johansson, Dean of education, Associate Professor at Department of Earth Sciences, Program for Air, Water and Landscape Sciences, Meteorology.



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Tina Vrieler, PhD student at Department of Information Technology. She is the Chair of TEKNAT's doctoral council (TNDR) 21/22.



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Åsa Granath, UU scholarship office

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Hanna Frank, Teaching Librarian at Uppsala University Library

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Sofi Tegsveden Deveau

A self-proclaimed expert on everything related to Swedish language and culture, having taught Swedish as a second language since 2008. As a head-strong and intimidating individual, she never managed to communicate and collaborate with her peers, and therefore, she set up her own business in 2015.



Now, she can do exactly as she wants whilst making a living on telling others how to communicate and collaborate in the workplace. Sofi is the author and editor of several books and textbooks, including best-selling *Working in Sweden* (Pihl & Deveau, 2020) and newly released *We Can English* (Kelly 2022). She is currently working on a project facilitating skills validation for international technicians working in district heating plants, writing a textbook in professional Swedish for engineers, and helping international parents making sense of Nordic upbringing culture. She loves salty liquorice.

Title of talk: *HOW TO THAW A SWEDE - The unwritten rules of building successful relationships in the Swedish workplace*

Sweden, famous for elks, modular furniture and cinnamon pastries, is also the home of the frostiest people on our planet. The Swedes are infamous for returning a smile with a blank stare, not introducing their friends to each other, and for valuing their loneliness higher than their own mother. If you come from a culture where things work the way you are used to, you may feel confused, frustrated and disappointed, as Utopia is not delivering in the way you expected. Will you ever manage to decipher the *jas* and *njas* of your Swedish supervisor? Will you ever feel at ease with your desk neighbor? Will someone ever suggest that *fika* you've heard so much about?

Don't despair. Deep down, below that icy surface, Swedes are warm, and secretly longing to be your friend. They are just waiting for you to pass the *mandatory two-year probationary period* successfully. This, however, requires profound knowledge of the unwritten rules that govern Swedish social life.

In this talk, Sofi Tegsveden Deveau, expert on Swedish culture and communication, will guide us through the process of thawing a Swede, by explaining the peculiar logic of Swedish social

life. She will reveal her best secrets, ugly truths, and unwanted advice, that will all help you to find a project partner, a pub buddy, or even eternal love.

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

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Dr. Magdalena J. Koziol, Principal Investigator, Chinese Institute for Brain Research, CIBR, Beijing; <https://en.cibr.ac.cn>

Website: <https://dnalaboratory.org>

Title of talk: *Ethics: A personal experience with sabotage: challenges in academia*



Magdalena's doctoral work focused on the Identification of nuclear reprogramming factors in *Xenopus laevis* in the laboratory of Prof Sir John Gurdon, Nobel Prize Laureate. After 2 years working as a management consultant with the Boston Consulting Group, she moved to pursue her postdoctoral work at Harvard/Broad Institute, where she studied long-non coding RNAs in the laboratory of John Rinn. She then moved to Yale, where she worked on early zygotic genome activation in the laboratory of Antonio Giraldez, at Yale University.

It was at Yale where she discovered and reported misconduct: a lab member of Antonio Giraldez laboratory was caught on camera deliberately sabotaging her work. Shortly after she faced legal threats by her employer and was criticized for being unproductive. After reaching out for advice, she received support from former colleagues at the Gurdon Institute. She returned to the laboratory of Prof Sir John Gurdon where she had to rebuild her career again. It was during this time when she independently co-discovered a novel DNA modification. Subsequently, she set up her independent laboratory at the Chinese Institute for Brain Research Institute, CIBR, in Beijing. Her laboratory discovers and studies novel DNA and RNA modifications in the brain.

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Dr. Hendrik Huthoff, Head of Education at the Jena School from Microbial Communication



Hendrik is responsible for the training program of doctoral and post-doctoral researchers after an active research career in virology. During his talk he will describe his professional journey spanning four different countries as a researcher and finally as a science manager, highlighting topics including funding, toxic working environments, mental health in academia, transitioning away from research and making a documentary film about microbes.

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Geir Gunnlaugsson, Full-time educational developer at the Unit for Academic Teaching and Learning

Geir was a teacher and researcher at the Department of Business Studies, with an interest in marketing and organizational studies as well as digitalization in its various formats. Currently engaged in teaching staff training and consultative support, especially regarding curriculum design, the international curriculum and classroom, inclusion and student participation as well as designing learning and teaching activities for campus-, blended- or online formats. Has been engaged in multiple development projects inside and outside Uppsala University, for example staff training for various national and international government agencies, competence enhancement projects in Africa, Asia and Europe and has seen a lot of strange and wonderful learning spaces where students and teachers meet.

15:30 – 16:15

Dr. Stuart J Cantrill, Chief Editor at Nature Chemistry

Title of talk: *The Nature of Chemistry publishing*

A graduate of the University of Birmingham in the UK, Stu obtained his PhD in chemistry from UCLA in 2001 (working with Fraser Stoddart), followed by postdoctoral research at Caltech (working with Bob Grubbs). In 2003 he returned to UCLA to tackle a number of different roles, including lecturer, research associate, administrative consultant to the California NanoSystems Institute, as well as his first job in journal publishing – running an editorial office for the ACS journal Organic Letters. In 2006, Stu returned to the UK to join Nature Publishing Group (now Springer Nature) where he was first an associate and then senior editor in Nature Nanotechnology. In Early 2008, he was appointed to be the founding Chief Editor of Nature Chemistry, which launched in April 2009. His main research interests were in the fields of supramolecular chemistry, self-assembly processes and interlocked molecules. But he is now fascinated by scholarly communication – particularly in chemistry, and how it might be changing in the not – too – distant future. He (very occasionally) blogs about chemistry, gin and related topics and Chemical Connections (<http://stucantrill.com>) and probably tweets a bit too much.



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09:00 – 09:30

Minna Salminen – Karlsson, Associate Professor at Center for Gender Research; Equal Opportunity Specialist at Human Resources Division, Personnel Administration Function for Science areas

Title of talk: *Making career in the gendered university*



Mina is associate professor in Sociology at the Center for Gender Research in Uppsala University. Her PhD thesis in 1999 dealt with gender in computer engineering education, and she has had an interest in gender in science and technology academia since then. She has led Swedish and European research projects on gender equality among academic staff in science and engineering, and gender in technical education. Currently she is the Swedish team leader for SPEAR, an European Project on gender equality in universities, and participates in Nordwit, a Nordic project on women's career in technology.

09:30 – 10:00

Carolina Rydin, PhD, MD, Faculty Research Advisor at Faculty Officers, Office for Science and Technology; Research Support Unit

I work as a research secretary at the unit for research support, with a focus on national funders. I am the contact person for the Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation, and for the researchers within the faculty who want to apply for NIH grants. The unit keeps in touch with the major Swedish research funders and provides information on calls to UU's researchers and administrators. In addition to support with the application process, the unit is active in follow-up and feedback.

Pia Lansåker, PhD, Research Advisor at Faculty Officers, Office for Science and Technology; Research Support Unit

Title of talk: *Writing grants and securing funding*

10:00 – 11:00

Panel discussion with Professors at UU

Title: *My journey to UU*

Carolina Wählby, Professor at Department of Information Technology, Division of Visual Information and Interaction



Carolina Wählby is professor in Quantitative Microscopy at the Dept. of Information Technology, Uppsala University, and Scientific Director of the National SciLifeLab Bioimage Informatics facility. Her research is focused on developing computational approaches for extracting information from image data with focus on precision medicine and life science. Methods include traditional image analysis as well as AI and deep learning for understanding dynamics of cancer tissue, antibiotics susceptibility and spatial transcriptomics, funded primarily by the ERC and the Swedish Foundation for Strategic research. She received the SBI2 President's innovation award in 2014, and the Thuréus prize in 2015 and is a member of the Royal Society of Sciences at Uppsala and the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences. She has a MSc in molecular biotechnology and a PhD in digital image analysis, and carried out postdoc research within genetics and pathology. She was part of the Imaging Platform of the Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT in 2009-2015, developing CellProfiler, and became full professor at Uppsala University in 2014. She is a member of the steering group of a 300M€ effort on Data Driven Life Science, funded by the Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation, with the ambitious goal of training the next generation of life scientists. Her heart lies in the intersection between life science and computational image analysis, and she is intrigued by the possibilities of technological developments and convergence of the scientific fields. Spare time is spent with her three children + dog, preferably outdoors (active scout), and doing carpentry.

Hanna Johansson, Professor at Department of Organismal Biology, Systematic Biology

I am Professor in Evolutionary genetics. I established my own independent research group at Uppsala University in 2005, after a PhD at the Swedish Agricultural University and a postdoc at University of California at Berkeley. I achieved an Associate Professorship (docentur) in 2006 and between 2007 and 2013 I held a senior research position (rådsforskartjänst) funded by the Swedish Research Council (VR). Since December 2013 I am a full professor. My research interest lies in the interface between mycology and evolutionary biology. I study fungal life-history traits and explore general evolutionary questions such as natural selection operating at multiple levels in the biological hierarchy, the causes and consequences of symbioses and switches in reproductive mode. In particular, with funding from VR and the European Research Council (ERC) I was in recent years given the opportunity to dive deep into the causes and evolutionary consequences of meiotic drive.



Filipe Maia, Professor at Department of Cell and Molecular Biology, Molecular Biophysics

A native of Portugal, he graduated in biochemistry in 2004 from the University of Porto, and in 2010 completed his PhD in physics, specializing in molecular biophysics, at Uppsala University, Sweden. He then joined Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory as a Petascale Postdoctoral Fellow, where he founded the Coherent X-ray Imaging Data Bank. In 2012 he returned to Sweden to build his own group focusing on X-ray ultrafast single-particle diffraction imaging. He has been involved in coherent diffractive imaging experiments at XFELs since their beginning and currently leads the single-particle initiative at the European XFEL



Alireza Malehmir, Professor at Department of Earth Sciences, Geophysics

Alireza obtained his PhD in 2007 from Uppsala University and after one-year post-doc experience at the Geological Survey of Canada returned to Uppsala where he is currently a professor of applied geophysics. He was the PI of the award-winning Smart Exploration project and a co-PI of FUTURE, a European-South African tech-type technology solution collaborative project. He has led several research-industry works in various continents with projects ranging from infrastructure planning to deep seismic imaging in mega-cities and for geological storage projects. He has (co)authored +130 peer-reviewed journal publications and serves on the editorial board of several high-profile journals. Alireza also acts as a consultant for utilizing innovative seismic imaging solutions for societal applications and mineral exploration planning projects.



Göran Arnqvist, Professor at Department of Ecology and Genetics, Animal Ecology

Göran Arnqvist is a professor in Animal Ecology at Uppsala University. He earned his PhD back in 1992 at the University of Umeå and spent a few years as a post doc at the University of New Mexico. Following this, he took up a research position at the University of Umeå and then moved to Uppsala to take up his current position in 2002. His research area is evolutionary biology.



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David A Leigh, Sir Samuel Hall Chair of Chemistry,
University of Manchester

Title of talk: *My journey*

David Leigh (www.catenane.net) is one of the pioneers of synthetic molecular machinery. Landmark examples from his laboratory include the first synthetic Brownian ratchet molecular motors [*Nature* 2003, 424, 174; *Science* 2004, 306, 1532; *Nature* 2007, 445, 523], synthetic molecular machines able to perform macroscopic work [*Nat. Mater.* 2005, 4, 704], small-molecule motors that, like motor proteins, ‘walk’ along tracks [*Nat. Chem.* 2010, 2, 96] and artificial molecular machines having complex mechanisms of operation, such as a small-molecule machine that synthesizes peptides of specific sequence in a manner reminiscent of the ribosome [*Science* 2013, 339, 189; featured in ‘*Breakthroughs-of-the-Year 2013*’ *Science* 2013, 342, 1441]. In the past few years his group have reported the first examples of autonomous chemically-fueled molecular motors [*Nature* 2016, 534, 235; *Nature* 2021, 594, 529; *Nature* 2022, 604, 80], used knotting in a molecule to induce allosteric catalysis [*Science* 2016, 352, 1555], synthesized the most complex molecular knots to date [*Science* 2017, 355, 159; featured in the 2019 Guinness Book of World Records], invented 2D molecular weaving [*Nature* 2020, 588, 429], introduced the concept of ‘small-molecule robotics’ [*Nat. Chem.* 2016, 8, 138] and developed a programmable ‘molecular assembler’, described in an accompanying News & Views article as ‘*Science fiction becomes fact*’ [*Nature* 2017, 549, 374].





Leigh has received a number of national and international scientific awards, including the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) Awards for Supramolecular Chemistry (2003), Interdisciplinary Research (2004), Nanotechnology (2005), and the Merck (2009), Tilden (2010), Pedler (2014) and Perkin (2017) Prizes, the Spanish Chemical Society (RSEQ) Prize for Chemistry (2007), Institute of Chemistry of Ireland Award for Chemistry (2005), Feynman Prize for Nanotechnology (2007), Izatt-Christensen Award in Macrocyclic Chemistry (2007), EU Descartes Prize for Transnational Research (2007), Royal Society Bakerian Medal (2013), Royal Society of Edinburgh Royal Medal (2021), and the ISNSCE (International Society for Nanoscale Science, Computation and Engineering) Nanoscience Prize (2019). He is the recipient of three successive ERC Advanced Grants (2008, 2013, 2018) and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society (FRS) in 2009. He is a Royal Society Research Professor at the University of Manchester and a Distinguished Professor at East China Normal University, Shanghai.

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Panel discussion with young PIs

Title: *My journey to UU*

Stefano Crespi, Researcher at Department of Chemistry, Ångström Laboratory, Synthetic Molecular Chemistry

Stefano Crespi was born in 1989 in Pavia (Italy), where he studied and received his Ph.D. in 2017, under the supervision of Prof. Maurizio Fagnoni (University of Pavia), working on the topic of organic photochemistry of aromatic molecules. He won a two-year fellowship as a Post-Doc at the same University focusing on the study of novel heteroaryl azo photoswitches. He subsequently joined the workgroup of Prof. Burkhard König at the University of Regensburg (Germany), where he studied new scaffolds based on heteroaryl azo dyes and novel photocatalytic transformations. In 2019, he moved to Groningen (Netherlands) as a Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellow where he investigated the motion at the molecular level of new

photoswitches and molecular motors in the group of Prof. Ben Feringa (Nobel Laureate 2016). In 2021 he won a Starting Grant from the Swedish Vetenskapsrådet to start his independent career in Uppsala, where he started as a PI in April 2022, in the Synthetic Molecular Chemistry Program of the Department of Chemistry - Ångström. His research interests lie in the combination of reaction design in organic (photo)chemistry with computational modelling.

Mette Lillie, Researcher at Department of Ecology and Genetics, Animal Ecology

Mette received her Bachelors (Hons) and PhD from the University of Sydney. Since 2015, she has been based in Sweden, completing three postdocs on computation genomics, conservation and population genomics, and host-retrovirus evolution, respectively. Mette's research interests are on the genetics of adaptation and how this can be integrated in conservation biology. Mette is currently establishing her own lab at the Department of Ecology and Genetics (Animal Ecology) working on the immunogenetics and population genomics of Swedish sand lizards.

Jorge Cayao, Researcher at Department of Physics and Astronomy, Materials Theory

Jorge was born in Peru and carried out his undergrad studies in Peru and in Slovakia. Later, he obtained his Ph.D. from the Autonomous University of Madrid in May 2016, working on topological superconductivity and Majorana states. He then worked as a postdoc at Uppsala University (2016-2021) investigating odd-frequency superconductivity and detection protocols of Majorana states. Last November Jorge received a VR starting grant from the Swedish Research Council, which allowed him to become an independent staff researcher at Uppsala University (2022-present). At the moment, he is building up his research group at Quantum Matter Theory Program at Uppsala University, with a particular focus on condensed matter theory.

Omar Warsi: Researcher at Department of Medical Biochemistry and Microbiology, Infection Biology, Antimicrobial Resistance and Immunology

Magnus Johansson, Assistant Professor at Department of Cell and Molecular Biology, Molecular Systems Biology

Magnus is an assistant professor at the Dept. of Cell and Molecular Biology, Uppsala University, Sweden. The Johansson lab (<https://www.icm.uu.se/molecular-systems-biology/johansson-lab/>) develops new single-molecule tracking based tools to study the dynamics of protein synthesis, folding and targeting inside living *E. coli* cells, with an overall

aim to bridge the gap between details on the molecular level, and cell physiology and population biology.

During his PhD in the Ehrenberg lab (Uppsala), Magnus (MSc in molecular biotech engineering) used traditional fast kinetics measurements in a reconstituted protein synthesis system to understand the determinants of mRNA translation rate and accuracy. The limitations of ensemble biochemical experiments then made Magnus join the Puglisi lab at Stanford University for his postdoctoral training. Puglisi had pioneered the use of single-molecule fluorescence techniques for in vitro dynamics studies of the translation machinery.

Coming back to Sweden, Magnus has since been busy setting up the experimental and analytical single-molecule tracking system, to finally be able to perform reaction kinetics measurements on protein synthesis directly inside the living cell.

13:45 – 14:30

Discussion with members of Nobel committee

Johan Åqvist, Chair of the Nobel Committee for Chemistry, Professor at Department of Cell and Molecular Biology, Computational Biology and Bioinformatics; Uppsala RNA Research Center – URRC

Måns Ehrenberg, Professor Emeritus at Department of Cell and Molecular Biology, Molecular Biology; former member of the Nobel Committee in Chemistry 2006-2014

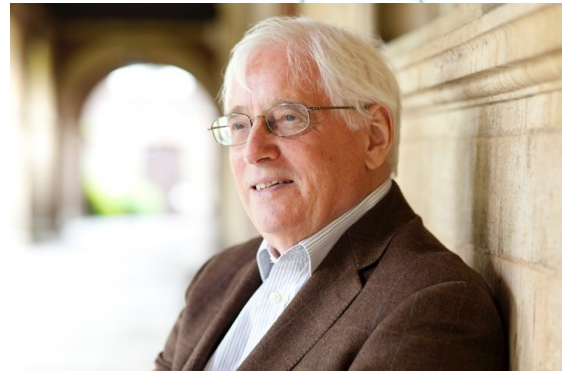
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Sir John E. Walker, Nobel Laureate 1997

Title of talk: *My life inside mitochondria*



John Walker is a Nobel Prize-winning chemist who has shed light on the mechanisms responsible for the synthesis of adenosine triphosphate or ATP, a molecule of great biological significance that provides energy across all forms of life to power core physiological processes. John's valuable work on ATP synthase, the complex enzyme responsible for the formation of ATP, has uncovered its key structural features. It has led to an understanding of how the energy released by oxidation of high-energy compounds in foodstuffs is coupled to the synthesis of ATP by a mechanical rotary mechanism. He continues to conduct research into the way in which living creatures produce energy in mitochondria — the cell-based organelles where ATP is produced. A leading figure in the world of biochemistry, John received the 1997 Nobel Prize in Chemistry and was knighted for his services to science in 1999. Amongst his numerous other accolades, he has received the Biochemical Society's Keilin Medal, as well as the 2012 Copley Medal of the Royal Society.

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09:30 – 09:45

Maja Garde Lindholm, coordinator at Faculty Offices, Office for Science and Technology, Communication and Outreach Unit

Title of talk: *Alumni and mentorship program*

The Uppsala University Alumni Network is a global network for all former students and staff members of Uppsala University. The network offers you a way to keep in touch with the University and former classmates, as well as opportunities to meet new friends and give back to your alma mater. To date, nearly 28 000 alumni in more than 145 countries around the world have chosen to become members.

Uppsala University has several international alumni chapters across the world. There are also many alumni associations connected with different subject areas or departments. The alumni chapters and associations organize alumni days and reunions, as well as parties, mentorship programs and in-service training – among other things.

I coordinate the alumni activities at the Faculty of Science and Technology, supporting departments and educational programs with their alumni relations.

09:45 – 10:45

Uppsala Innovation Office

Title of talk: *From research idea to realization*

Nhils Forslund (MSc, MBA) works as a Business Advisor at Uppsala University Innovation since 2014. In his role he supports researchers, students and employees at UU with evaluation and early stage business development of their ideas. Prior to his current position he worked at Ericsson AB in a number of areas including patent licensing, strategy planning and business development.

Ingrid Ajaxon (MSc, PhD) works as a Business Advisor at UU Innovation since November 2021. In her role she supports researchers, students and employees at UU with evaluation and early stage business development of their ideas. Prior to her current position she worked with research and development at Disruptive Materials AB, a spin-off company from Uppsala University.

Emma Hansson (BSc) works as a Business Developer at Uppsala Innovation Centre (UIC) and is manager for the business development program UIC Business Build. UIC supports innovative startups and growth companies in all industries with tailor-made business development support, networks, financing and the knowledge required to develop, scale up or reach an international market.

Mateo Santurio (MSc) is an investor and advisor for Uppsala University Invest. He has been working with academic startups in different business development roles since 2005.

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Panel discussion with leading management from UU startups

Peter Hovstadius: is a Medical Doctor with Ph.D. from Uppsala University. He also completed a residency at Akademiska sjukhuset in Clinical Pharmacology. After leaving Uppsala he has spent over 20 years in Big Pharma as a Medical Director, leading large cross-functional organizations and contributing to launching 20+ new medicines. His main scientific interests are within the field of precision medicine, personalized health care, and how new technologies can positively impact patient outcomes. Most recently, he led the establishment of the Innovation Office at Novartis Nordics. Peter founded his own consultancy company in 2021 and collaborates with Life Science companies and AI/digital startups worldwide.

Niclas Lindqvist: Molecular Biologist, >25 years as Brand Leader, Advisor, Global Product Manager, Business Unit Director within recruitment and staffing in the LifeScience sector. A certified coach and Senior career advisor with > 1500 clients to new jobs. Senior lecturer for Pharmaceutical industry (GCP, GMP, GDP, Medical Marketing, Regulatory Affairs, Health Economy, Ethical Marketing, Critical reviewing) Trygghetsstiftelsen, Trygghetsrådet, Omställningsfonden, Apotekarsocieteten, Mentlife, Certified in OPQ. Owner of Svensk Medicin AB

Sara Mangsbo, CSO at Strike Pharma AB

Karin Meyer: CEO at Center for Translational Research Sweden

Özden Baltekin, CSO at Astrego

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Panel discussion with alumni at companies

Hugh Salter: Anocca

Velimir Meded:

Mikael Huss: Mikael Huss is currently principal data scientist at Codon Consulting, a machine learning consulting company that he co-founded. After graduating from the Molecular Biotechnology Engineering program in Uppsala, he received a PhD in computational biology from KTH in 2007 after which he worked as a bioinformatics scientist at the Genome Institute of Singapore and Science for Life Laboratory in Stockholm for ten years. In 2017, he left academia and worked first for IBM and then Peltarion before co-founding Codon. He has also been involved in organizing and speaking at statistics and data science meetups in Stockholm and Uppsala.

Bert Simoens: HR Consultancy

Amjad Alhalawa: was born and raised in Hama, Syria. He obtained his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from Al-Ahliyya Amman University in Jordan. In 2012, he earned his Ph.D. degree in Health Sciences (with a specialization in Pharmaceutics) from Luleå University of Technology in Sweden. His dissertation was entitled “Pharmaceutical Cocrystals: Formation Mechanisms, Solubility Behavior, and Solid-State Properties” and was completed under the supervision of Prof. Sitaram Velaga and Prof. Yelverton Tenger. During his Ph.D., he had the chance to collaborate with several top scientists in the field, including Prof. Nair Rodriguez-Hornedo at the University of Michigan and Prof. Graham Buckton at University College London. From 2013–2014 and 2015–2016, he worked as a researcher in Prof. Christel Bergström’s lab at Uppsala University, where he explored enabling formulations and computational predictions of pharmaceutical properties. In 2014, he moved to the USA after receiving a grant to fund his work as a visiting scholar with Prof. Lynne S. Taylor at Purdue

University where he investigated the solution chemistry and membrane transport of amorphous multidrug formulations. Currently, he works at Q-linea in Uppsala as a senior scientist in the research department leading the chemistry group. As a group leader, Alhalaweh's efforts are directed toward advancing the diagnosis of infectious diseases through state-of-the-art product development. Prior to this, he worked as a formulation scientist at Recipharm OT Chemistry in Uppsala, contributing to formulation development projects in support of preclinical and stability studies.

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Title of talk: *From Neuroscience to French Pastry*

Said M'Dahoma, PhD, The Pastry Nerd

Said is a French-Comorian pastry chef in Calgary, Canada. After his PhD in Neuroscience in Paris, he moved to Canada for a postdoctoral appointment at the University of Calgary. A few years later, he decided to quit his neuroscience career to follow his passion: baking. He launched his company "The Pastry Nerd" in August 2020. His company generates revenue by selling online pastry classes, and sponsored posts on social media on which he cumulates almost 50,000 followers on Instagram, TikTok and Facebook under the name of "Said the Pastry Nerd".

When creating new pastries, he is mainly influenced by ingredients and believe that even the simplest baked good can shine if the best ingredients are used. He loves to create desserts that reflect his personality and the multiple cultures he grew up in. He firmly believes that, with good guidance, anybody can bake and would like to help people getting comfortable in the kitchen and create their own goods.

15:00 – 17:00

Title of talk: *Transitioning from academia to industry – career workshop*

Isaiah Hankel, The Cheeky Scientist

Dr. Isaih Hankel is the Founder and CEO of the Cheeky Scientist – a global career training platform for training PhD students. His articles, podcasts and trainings are consumed annually by 3 million PhDs in 152 different countries. He has helped PhDs transition into top companies like Amazon, Google, Apple, Inter, Dow Chemical, BASF, Merck, Genentech, Home Depot, Nestle, Hilton, SpaceX, Tesla, Syngenta, the CDC, UN and Ford Foundation.

Dr. Hankel has published 2 bestselling books with Wiley and his method for getting PhDs hired have been featured in the Harvard Business Review, Nature, Forbes, The Guardian, Fast Company, Entrepreneur Magazine and Success Magazine.



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