

Department of Molecular Biosciences,  
The Wenner-Gren Institute

**Protocol for PhD Council Board meeting – scheduled  
18 February 2025, 12:00-13:00, Room F504**

Attendees: Max Louski, Emma Block, Isabella Badolati, Akshit Jain, Ylva Alina Veith, Thomas Mazza, Miren Urrutia Iturritza, Irene Alvarez-Guerra, Terence Wilson Infant, Andrea Lobo Monicio, Julian Vogel, Sergei Pirogov, Elena Afanaseva, Symeon Kourmoulakis and Ymke de Jong.

Chair: Max Louski

Certifier: Isabella Badolati

Clerk: Emma Block

**1. PostDoc Day**

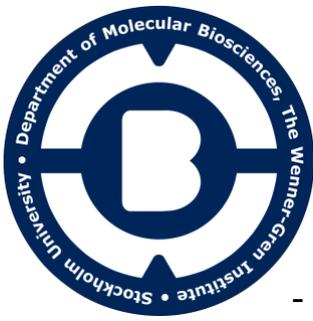
- PostDoc fellowship workshop organised by University
- March 20 afternoon.
- Seminars explaining funding opportunities, Swedish and European fellowships.
- Deadline for registration: March 16 2025.

**2. PostDoc fellowship workshop by the PhD Board**

- Workshop organized by the PhD Board.
- Seminar + Q&A by Franziska Hildebrandt.
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March, 12h to 13h in E503.
- Fundings opportunities, how to transition into PostDoc positions, how to apply to grants.
- Focused on Molecular Life Sciences.
- If any topic is of specific interest please contact the PhD Board in advance so that we can ask her directly.

**3. PhD Day**

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 in the afternoon and evening.
- Registration deadline until 21<sup>st</sup> February.
- Not a lot of registration in Zoology and DEEP departments.
- Dinner and drinks are included, 1 credit for presenting. You can also attend if you do not present data.



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- If guest PhD students want to join we can ask Susanne Keipert directly.
- PhD student from new groups that just joined MBW should be invited in person to make them feel welcome.
- Two more people from MBW want to register as speakers.

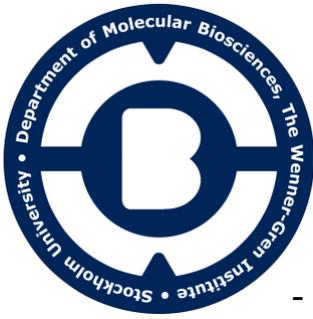
### **4. Creating a common folder for PhD students documents**

- Goal to centralise an unofficial folder for PhD students to put any document they would like.
- MBW server is already full, Google Drive might get full quickly, Slack removes messages after a bit, so Box would be the best option. But requires an active SU account, which would exclude alumni.
- Alumni list could be created by SU? Ask administration to create an email list.
- Add courses for PhD students to take, with a list, reviews and courses material. A catalog with potential courses for PhD students is already being created by Cristina Jonas, but would just lead to the course website, so no reviews.
- Add a list of free things PhD students are entitled to (SSFI fitness courses, medicine reimbursement, computer glasses benefits, ...)
- List of potential venues for PhD defense parties, caterers for events.
- List of all equipment available at SU? Maria Ekoff was talking about something along those lines
- Organisation of social events, games, ...

### **5. BioResearch School meeting**

- "Visualise your science" course can be funded by them, but not many of them apply.
- The course was brought to SU once so that every PhD student could join. Could this happen again?
- BioResearch School is open to new ideas for courses that would be needed for PhD students at SU.

### **6. Lokallgruppen meeting**



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- Renovation of bathrooms at MBW will take place from 2025 to 2028.
- Kitchen renovation: first F3 then F4.

## 7. Course for Grant Writing

- Organised by Susanne Keipert last year but got cancelled due to lack of registration.
- Reminder that this course is mostly interesting for finishing PhD students leading to not a big pool of people being interested.
- Could open it to people of other departments to have more registration?
- The competition aspect was not the thing drawing PhD students to apply.

## 8. Meeting closure



MAX LOUSTI

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Chair



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Certifier