

Welcome to *Postdoc in the News*, our monthly news service covering emerging postdoc issues and career links for you.

Issues in Research

White Knight. A male professor's eloquent plea to the academic system and fellow scholars for International Women's Day.

Exploitative, expensive. Scholars in the US are <u>suing research publishers for</u> <u>collusion and anticompetitive practices</u>.

Calling out 'parasitism'. French authors and publishers are the latest to challenge generative AI developers over <u>unauthorised use of copyright material</u>.

Compliance model. Meanwhile, the USbased Copyright Clearance Centre is proposing <u>an AI Training License to enable</u> <u>conformity with authors' legal rights</u>.

Digital defence. Anti-science activism now requires some researchers to <u>protect</u> themselves against online attacks.

Meet openRxiv. Preprint platforms bioRxiv and medRxiv are moving to the umbrella of a <u>new non-profit organisation</u>.

Skills & Strategies

Eureka explored. Cross-disciplinary conversations examine the way research breakthroughs occur and <u>pointers towards</u> <u>creating 'aha' moments</u>.

Time s-AI-ver. Options for <u>using AI to</u> <u>refine your peer reviews</u> without compromising their quality or integrity.

Needs must. Options for <u>supplementing</u> your income as an early career academic.

Flourish vs survive. Five principles that underpin <u>a sustainable and satisfying</u> career in academia - or anywhere else. **Toughness myths.** There is a difference between persisting under sufferance and <u>healthy, intentional resilience</u>.

Reframe, rebuild. They are part of most careers, but <u>what do you do when major</u> <u>disruptions change your sense of 'self'</u>?

It doesn't define you. A story of <u>coping</u> <u>with job-loss</u>, with advice that applies to professional setbacks broadly.

Use the lever. The time to negotiate for essentials is <u>before you accept the job</u>.

Career Paths

Consider consulting. How to decide whether to pursue the option of <u>contracting</u> to offer services like research, analysis or project management.

Channelling wonder. Four teachers describe their <u>paths from high-level</u> research to the school classroom.

Hazard management. A chemist who embraced scientific advising in <u>the world of testing</u>, inspection and certification.

Spread of options. Why and how PhDs might approach paths outside academia in technical writing, training, project management, marketing and publishing.

Skill switch. Tips on turning fundamental PhD-program skills into <u>a professional</u> <u>development career</u>.

Ways to thrive. Short talks by biologists on various <u>aspects of developing a career</u>, inside and beyond academia.

Serious Research

Sweet success. A wry look at the role that high quality baking might play in research productivity and community-building...!