



## *The BMB Weekly*

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Weekly Newsletter of the Department of  
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### **Calendar**

#### **Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Federica Brandizzi, University of Saskatchewan.** Green light to the plant secretory pathway. Biochemistry 101, 4:00pm. Sponsored by Plant Biology and Plant Research

#### **Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Peter Skands**-Unifying parton showers and underlying events. Biomedical and Physical Sciences 1400, 2:00pm. Sponsored by Physics and Astronomy.

#### **Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Benjamin Glick-The University of Chicago**-Building the Golgi Apparatus. Biochemistry 101, 12:00pm. Sponsored by the Department of Biochemistry.

#### **Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Paul Himes**-Transcriptional Journal Club, Biochemistry 502, 12:00pm.

### **Student Employee of the Year 2005**

MSU student employees provide valuable assistance to meet the mission and goals of MSU. The Student Employee of the Year Award Program is your opportunity to recognize those outstanding student employees for their contributions to your department and to the University.

**Eligible Students**- are any currently registered student who has been a student employee in your department for 3 months full-time during the summer, or 6 months part-time, May 9, 2004 – May 8, 2005 (anticipated).

**Nomination Forms**-Are available at [www.csp.msu.edu/pages/misc/seo/Cover\\_Flyer.cfm](http://www.csp.msu.edu/pages/misc/seo/Cover_Flyer.cfm) . Nomination deadline is Monday, February 14, 2005.

### **Spring 2005 Study Abroad Fair-Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 12:00pm – 6:00pm at the MSU Union**

The fair is designed to give students a one-stop opportunity to learn about the wide array of MSU programs, and to meet and speak with faculty knowledgeable about these programs. Students visiting the fair can speak with representatives from the Office of Financial Aid, the MSU Travel Clinic, and other support units across campus. Academic advisers from each college and staff from the Office of Study Abroad will also be present.

## Positions

**MIT Lincoln Labs** will be holding interviews for scientists (BS, MS, Ph.D.) on campus this semester. If you would like to be considered for an interview, the deadline is January 19, 2005. You must sign yourself up using the Interview TRAK system.

1. Log into Spartan TRAK <http://www.csp.msu.edu/pages/mtrak/index.cfm>
2. On the first Spartan TRAK screen, right under "Jobs and Internships" there is a second choice: "Interview TRAK". Click on this link.
3. The Next screen shows you several choices. "Opportunities" lets you search who is interviewing on campus, and see their job postings. Search "MIT" and follow the instructions to submit your resume for consideration.

If you have trouble with Spartan TRAK, please visit the Career Development Center in Room 6, Student Services Building. They will be happy to show you how it works, or help you with the system.

**NASA Goddard Space Flight Center's (GSFC) Earth-Sun Exploration Division**, in collaboration with the Goddard Earth Sciences and Technology (GEST) Center of the University of Maryland Baltimore County, is offering a limited number of graduate student research opportunities. The program is scheduled for Jun 6 to August 12, 2005, and is designed to stimulate interest in interdisciplinary Earth science studies by enabling selected students to carry out an intensive research project at GSFC, which can be applied to the student's graduate thesis. Deadline for applications is February 28, 2005.

A new **Ph.D. Job Search Series** offered by the Graduate School and Career Services and Placement. The goal of this workshop series is to assist Ph.D. students in their job search by providing students with the knowledge and practical skills associated with a successful job search. See the attached flyer for dates and specific information.

*For more information on all **Position** postings please see the black binder in the third floor break room*

## Spotlight Person of the Week

Jessica Hudson is our spot light person of the week. Jessica began on Monday, January 10, 2005. She is a Departmental Secretary and will be responsible for Graduate Admissions. Jessica came to the Dept. of Biochemistry from Jackson National Life, in Okemos. Jessica has been married to Adam since 2001 and has a sixteen-month-old son, A.J. (Adam Junior). Jessica enjoys playing with A.J., reading, photography and spending time with family and friends. Jessica's office is located in 212.



*The best portion of a good man's life, His little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love.  
~William Wordsworth (English poet 1770-1850)*