



FSU's Vice President for Research Postdoctoral Fellow Training Program

Neuroscience & Chemosensory Celebration
April 20 – 21, 2026

9:00-9:30 AM KIN2057	Opening Remarks, Debra Fadool, Director of the FSU Office of Postdoctoral Affairs and Chemosensory Training Grant Program
9:30 – 10 AM KIN2057	Evan Lloyd, Vice President for Research Postdoctoral Scholar, Florida State University <i>Enhanced Multisensory Integration in A. Mexicanus</i>
10:00-10:30 AM KIN2057	Zachary Whiddon, KIBM Postdoctoral Scholar University of California San Diego <i>Structural Plasticity and Remodeling of Peripheral Gustatory Circuits In Vivo</i>
10:30-11:00 AM KIN2057	Louis Kolling, Postdoctoral Fellow University of Florida <i>Neurosensation to Degeneration: A Research Journey</i>
11:00 – 12:30 PM	Lab / Facility Tours 11:00-11:30: Brown laboratory 11:30-12:00: D. Fadool laboratory 12:00-12:15: Molecular Core with Brian Washburn 12:15-12:30: Vivarium tour with Debra Fadool
12:30 – 1:30 PM	Lunch at Seminole Café
1:30 – 3:30 PM	Lab / Facility Tours 1:30-2:00 PM: Hammock 2:00-2:30 PM: Eckel 2:30-3:00 PM: Dewan
3:30 – 4:00 PM KIN2057	Jordan Gregory, PhD. Candidate University of Pittsburgh <i>Immature Olfactory Sensory Neurons Provide Complementary Input in The Healthy Olfactory System</i>
4:00-4:30 PM KIN2057	Kyle Zumpano, PhD. Candidate University of Oklahoma, <i>Temperature Effects on Taste Preferences are Influenced by TRPM8</i>



4:30-5:00 PM KIN2057	Jeremy McIntyre, Program Officer NIH, Division of Training and Workforce Development <i>Chemotaxis: Navigating a career in the chemical senses.</i>
5:00 – 7:00 PM	Poster session / dinner by Taziki’s Restaurant in KIN Atrium

Tuesday 21 April 2026	
9:15 – 9:50 AM PDB 211A	Joe Breza, Professor Eastern Michigan University Title: <i>Lightly Salted: Optogenetic Stimulation of GAD65+ and PKD2L1+ Taste-Bud Cells Illuminates Their Roles in Salt Taste Physiology and Behavior</i>
9:50 – 10:25 AM PDB 211A	Lindsey Schier, Associate Professor University of Southern California Title: <i>Metabolic Programming of Taste</i>
10:30 – 11:00 AM	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30 PM	Lab / Facility Tours 11:00-11:30 AM: Vincis 11:30-12:00 PM: Storace 12:00-12:30 PM: Biology Unit 1 Imaging Core (Xiaofeng Fu) 12:30-1:00 PM: Machine/Electrical/Histology Core Facilities (Fred Fletcher)