



From the Desk of the:  
**Postdoctoral Association President**

Hey All,

I am looking forward to meeting you all virtually and in-person as we attend the many upcoming events planned by the Postdoctoral Affairs Office and the Postdoc Association. It is interesting coming out of the restrictions of the pandemic. I just recently went out with my lab group and the novelty, weirdness, terror and excitement of eating in a group together (most of whom I have never hung out with outside of the lab) surrounded by others was not lost on me.

Transitions, like coming out of the (hopefully) worst of the pandemic, can be hard but exciting and as postdocs, we are kind of in a perpetual transition state as we work on what we have in front of us, but also plan for the next step in a year or two. There are a lot of things we have to worry about and balance between research, what's next, friends, family, and hobbies. Know that everyone is going through similar things and we can support one another. To that end, and as you have probably seen via email, I have created some geographically specific and general FAU Postdoc groups on Facebook. Feel free to use them to plan social events, share interesting resources (I am a fan of funny postdoc comics), just talk to one another, or complain about/celebrate various aspects of postdoc life.

Contact me if you have anything you want me to address or have ideas for events or webinars you would like. I greatly appreciate those who filled out the webinar survey and I'm working on addressing those topics. Stay tuned!

Good luck with all your endeavors!

Sincerely,  
**David Bradshaw**  
Postdoc Association President