

# Meeting minutes from the Biology Postdoc Cohort at Emory

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#### Session info

R version 3.5.0 (2018-04-23)

Platform: x86\_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 (64-bit)

Running under: OS X El Capitan 10.11.6

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## Overview

This document contains the meeting minutes from the Biology Postdoc Cohort at Emory.

The group hosts regular meetups to learn about what the postdocs in Biology at Emory are doing, harness cool research skills and tools that everyone uses, foster research overlaps, brainstorm and troubleshoot ideas, discuss weird results that nobody knows the answer to, practise upcoming seminars, and simply build a stronger postdoc culture in Biology at Emory.

Questions and suggestions welcome at [matthew.malishev@emory.edu](mailto:matthew.malishev@emory.edu).

## TO DO list

- Come up with a cooler name for the group
- Other things
- Aim for a collaborative paper

*Next meetup:* December 14, 2018

**November 30, 2018**

**Outcomes for postdoc group**

Meetings every second and fourth week

Talk therapy among working class postdocs

Intro talks from postdocs to group

- Lightning, 2-min talk for group
- New postdocs give a brief intro talk for their first meeting

Postdoc mentorship group for assisting grad students during qualifying exams

- Online directory of postdocs showcasing background and expertise. Include non-science background stuff, such as applying for international universities.  
The journal peer review system and open access science
- Using *bioRxiv* and pre-prints
- Open access science
- Writing a paper on the science peer review system from postdoc perspective

**November 1, 2018**

**Ideas for things people want**

Collaborate on overlapping research  
Brainstorm ideas  
Present new results  
Practise conference talks  
Writing retreats  
Regular coding/math club

**Bigger ideas**

Combine other labs/departments  
- other biology floor levels  
- math/env sciences

## Links and ideas