



# LIFE SCIENCE NEWS

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## Announcements

**Welcome to Jessica Desrochers**, the new IAB assistant to the director. Please stop by and introduce yourself. Jessica was most recently the office manager for the UAF Chancellor's Office and starts at IAB July 29th.

### **IAB administrative support changes.**

- Post-award office: Rachell Peterson will be filling in for both grant coordinators. The [grant coordinator position](#) is open and posted on UAKJobs.com
- Procurement: The procurement position is working its way through UAF HR and we hope to have it posted soon.
- Assistant to the director: Jessica Desrochers starts July 29.

**Save the date!** The 2013 IAB-IMS Irving-Scholander Memorial Lecture committee is excited to announce Jane Lubchenco as this year's speaker. Her public lecture will be August 29 (title TBA) at 6 p.m in the Murie Auditorium. A catered reception with wine bar will follow. She will give a research presentation on Friday, August 30 from 3-4 p.m in the Murie Auditorium. A catered graduate student lunch is planned for that Friday at noon (location TBA). Both seminars will be video conferenced, so if there is interest to add a location, please let committee co-coordinator Lara Horstmann know. If you would like to meet with Jane, please contact Lara or Kristin O'Brien or Jessica Desrochers. Opportunities are limited to Thursday, August 29 and Friday, August 30.

**Hiring grad students as RAs for AY13-14?** If yes, please send IAB HR the following information:

1. Name of student and ID
2. Degree level held by student (Bachelor's, Master's, PhD student that has passed comp exams)
3. Dates of service (fall semester only, fall semester and winter break, spring semester only, whole academic year, etc)
4. Funding for salary charges
5. Funding for tuition/health insurance charges

Please send the information to IAB HR technician KC Love (kclove@alaska.edu) no later than **July 31, 2013** to ensure that your graduate students do not experience a delay in pay.

**IAB 50th Anniversary webpages.** Take a peek ([here](#)) at IAB's past and present at our interactive event and faculty timelines, photo galleries, and brief biographies and histories. Share your IAB memories and photographs too!

**What's going on with all the digging around Irving I?** UAF is [installing transformers, cables, and switches](#) as part of an upgrade in power distribution from roughly 4,000 volts to 12,000 volts. The changes are expected to increase power reliability and capacity.

## Events and Seminars

No events scheduled.

## Travel

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New seminar location & time for Fall 2013: Murie Building Auditorium, 3-4 p.m.  
No seminars scheduled for the summer.

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- **Baker, Jenna**, 7/24/13 - 8/2/13, Chicken, AK, Field work
- **Battle, David**, 8/4/13 - 8/6/13, Minneapolis, MN, Presenting a poster at the Ecological Society of America Conference
- **Cable, William**, 6/1/13 - 10/1/13, Bonanza Creek, Field Work; 6/1/13 - 10/1/13, Delta Junction, Field Work
- **Charles, William**, 8/1/13 - 8/5/13, YK Delta, data collection/project collaboration
- **Christa Mulder Group**, 6/7/13 - 9/20/13, Bonanza Creek, Weekly phenology checks
- **Churchwell, Roy**, 8/1/13 - 8/9/13, Barter Island, Alaska, fieldwork
- **Collin, Aline**, 7/27/13 - 8/1/13, Kannapolis, NC, Attend EPA workshop on screens to nature
- **Cyr, Andrew**, 7/24/13 - 8/3/13, Skagway, AK, Field work
- **Drew, Kelly**, 7/19/13 - 7/30/13, Portland, OR and Birmingham, UK, Meet with collaborators and speaking at IUPS 2013
- **Dunlap, Kriya Group**, 7/4/13 - 10/1/13, Steese Hwy, Yukon River and Salcha, Field work to collect berries, salmon and canine blood samples
- **Euskirchen, Eugenie**, 8/4/13 - 8/8/13, Minneapolis, MN, Attend/present at ESA
- **Fifield, Cynthia**, 5/29/13 - 8/17/13, Fairbanks, AK, Field work at the Caribou-Poker Creeks Research Watershed
- **Floberg, Teresa**, 7/8/13 - 8/31/13, Healy, AK, Field work
- **Frey, Graham**, 7/1/13 - 10/31/13, Denali Highway, Alaska, Field work
- **Frost, Shalane**, 7/24/13 - 8/2/13, Chicken, AK, Field work
- **Hewitt, Rebecca**, 8/2/13 - 8/9/13, Minneapolis, MN, ESA Annual Meeting
- **Hollingsworth, Jamie**, 7/28/13 - 7/31/13, Delta Jct, AK, remeasuring plots
- **Huettmann, Falk**, 6/29/13 - 9/6/13, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Germany and Russia, field school, field work, plenary speaker
- **Katie Spellman Group**, 6/7/13 - 9/20/13, Bonanza Creek, Weekly phenology checks
- **Kofinas, Gary**, 6/11/13 - 7/30/13, Nenana, AK, Pre-test and interviewing active harvesters
- **Lara, Mark**, 7/26/13 - 8/5/13, Barrow, Alaska, fieldwork
- **Laske, Sarah**, 7/1/13 - 8/31/13, Barrow, Alaska, field work
- **Lopez, Andres**, 7/28/13 - 8/3/13, Skagway, AK, Field work
- **Mulder, Christa**, 7/10/13 - 8/6/13, Churchill, Manitoba, fieldwork
- **Mutschlecner, Audrey**, 6/16/13 - 8/17/13, Fairbanks, AK, Field work at the Caribou-Poker Creeks Research Watershed
- **Newman, Jonathon**, 7/24/13 - 8/2/13, Chicken, AK, field work
- **Nu, Jennifer**, 7/1/13 - 8/1/13, YK Delta, data collection/project collaboration
- **Prugh, Laura**, 7/21/13 - 8/4/13, Baltimore, MD, Society for Conservation Biology Conference
- **Rasmus, Stacy**, 8/1/13 - 8/5/13, YK Delta, data collection/project collaboration
- **Rivkin, Inna**, 7/29/13 - 8/5/13, Honolulu, Present/APA Annual Convention
- **Russell, Maria**, 8/4/13 - 8/9/13, Washington DC, attend the NCURA meeting and meet with USGS
- **Shalane Frost Group**, 6/12/13 - 8/29/13, Tok, Manley, Delta Jct, Chatanika, fieldwork
- **Skewes, Monica**, 7/26/13 - 8/4/13, Honolulu, American Psychological Association 2013 Annual Convention

- **Spellman, Katie**, 7/21/13 - 7/29/13, Homer, AK, Citizen science project with Native Youth Camp; 8/4/13 - 8/7/13, Minneapolis, MN, ESA Conference

- **Sutton, Michelle**, 7/8/13 - 8/31/13, Healy, AK, field work

- **Suwal, Madan**, 7/10/13 - 10/10/13, Fairbanks, AK, Contract employment

- **Torvinen, Eric**, 6/1/13 - 8/26/13, Barrow, Alaska, Field Work

- **Wilner, Daniela**, 6/8/13 - 8/14/13, Lima, Peru, Field research

- **Wood, Sarah**, 6/3/13 - 8/30/13, Fairbanks, Alaska, field work with Dr. Mark Waldrop

## Grants and Awards

Go to the IAB funding opportunities webpage, [www.iab.uaf.edu/research/funding\\_opps.php](http://www.iab.uaf.edu/research/funding_opps.php), for the latest on available grants, scholarships, fellowships, and awards.

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See the [UAF Cornerstone](http://cornerstone.uaf.edu) for more news and events (<http://cornerstone.uaf.edu>).

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### Quote of the Day

Well done is better than well said.

[Benjamin Franklin](#)