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News from Head of School**Complete RAE Returns Published**

The complete RAE 2008 returns, in particular for each unit of assessment:

- RA0/RA1 staff information
- RA2 research outputs
- RA3a and b research students and studentships
- RA4 research income
- RA5a research environment and esteem indicators.

Have now been published at <http://www.rae.ac.uk/news/2009/sub.asp>.

Animation09

2009 is the second year that the School has organised the UK Schools Computer Animation Competition. This year the competition -- Animation09 -- was funded by EPSRC, with project partners Electronic Arts and the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI). Animation09 closed for entries on 1 May, and we've received a staggering 800 animations from 200 schools across the UK -- four times the response to the inaugural competition of 2008. The next step is for the competition team to watch each and every entry (wish them luck!), and produce a shortlist for the panel of external judges who'll visit us for an intensive day of final judging in late May. Prize winners will receive their awards at the Animation Festival which this year will be held at Manchester Museum of Science and Industry in June.

Updating University Research Profiles

Just a reminder that if you wish to update the profile which appears for you on the University webpages at:

<http://www.manchester.ac.uk/research/directory/staffprofiles/>

Then you need go to <http://info.eps.manchester.ac.uk/login.jsp> and log in and update your details. The login is your University username and password. This info will then automatically update what appears on the University webpages.

Perspectives – public engagement session**September 09**

The British Science Association is running a Public Engagement session at the British Science Festival at the University of Surrey in Guildford. This is a great opportunity for postgraduates and researchers to get experience presenting their work to non-experts. Cash prizes are awarded by a panel of expert judges.

Research Group leaders: please consider encouraging your PhD students, and/or RAs, or yourselves to enter this scheme - the deadline to apply is 8 May.

[Further information](#)

New email list

There is a new email list to advertise seminars in the Biological or Physical Sciences across the University and between Faculties. It is: BIO-PHYS-SCI-SEMINAR@listserv.manchester.ac.uk Anyone can join the list and use it to advertise a seminar, but you must be a member of the list to send to the list. You should join the list if you are interested in hearing about such seminars. Further information is available at <http://listserv.manchester.ac.uk/>

Events

UTOPIA/Papyro

6 May 09

Steve Pettifer
13:00, Atlas 1

Schuster Colloquia

6 May 09

Ordered and Disordered Packing in Soft Matter
Daan Frenkel, Amsterdam/Cambridge
14:30, Bragg Lecture Theatre

CRAY – The Supercomputer Company

8 May 09

15:00 Room 1.10, Kilburn Building
Andy Mason - CRAY, will be presenting current installation examples. If you wish to have a meeting with Andy Mason; from buying your own machine to speeding up code, please contact [Martin Turner](#) to arrange a slot.

Writing Ontologies in the Web Ontology Language (OWL) 19-20 May 09

The BioHealth Informatics group at the University of Manchester and NIBHI are hosting their internationally renowned OWL Ontology tutorials at the University of Manchester on 19-20 May.

This two-day introductory hands-on workshop aims to provide attendees with both the theoretical foundations and practical experience to begin building OWL ontologies using the latest version of the Protégé-OWL tools (Protege4). It is based on Manchester's well-known "Pizza tutorial" see: <http://www.co-ode.org/>
For registration and further information go to the [conference website](#).

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Marie Curie funding event

7 May 09

The UK Research Office is organising several Marie Curie events, one of which will be held at MMU in Manchester, on 7 May. This event will be of particular interest to UK-based researchers who are interested in and/or are planning to submit a proposal for the Marie Curie actions in FP7. For further information please visit the UKRO website:

[Further information](#)
