

# IGP NEWSLETTER



## No access to papers in Elsevier journals

As of 1 July, 2018, Swedish universities no longer have access to papers published by the scientific publisher Elsevier. The reason is that no agreement could be made with the publisher about open-access and publishing costs.

The decision to cancel the agreement was made by the Bibsam consortium, to which Uppsala University belongs, after negotiating with Elsevier for better terms since 2016. The cancelled agreement means that articles published in Elsevier's journals after 1 July, 2018, are not available via subscriptions. Researchers will continue to have access to papers published before this date. The access for Uppsala County Council employees remains unchanged.

The University Library will assist researchers and students to access papers in other ways, e.g. by parallel publishing and interlibrary loans. The library has also removed the fee for all article copies ordered by researchers connected to Uppsala University.

More information can be found in MP and at the University Library web site.

## From the Head of Department Find yourself a mentor!

The importance of good mentorship cannot be enough emphasized. A mentor will help you identify your different possibilities, and how to make your way on the academic career path, which is sometimes far from distinct. It could be about avoiding pitfalls that you may not be able to identify early in your career. At later stages, your mentee role will change, and/ or you may become someone else's mentor.

Avoid being dependent on your mentor, as that would make you less able to open up about challenges you are facing. You want to make sure that the dialogue is open, and that is less likely if your mentor is in your organization. In other words, make sure that what you discuss with your mentor doesn't affect him/her. A mentor is an experienced person whom you trust, and you can have different mentors throughout your working life. Choose a mentor from the outside, i.e. another university, a company or a governmental agency or elsewhere. Look broadly, and bear in mind that most people are flattered if you ask them to be your mentor. Mentors are often driven by a desire to "pay it forward", and even the busiest people can find time for a lunch or a

Skype conversation.

#### Ulf Petterson awarded the Olof Rudbeck prize

On 19 October, at the Olof Rudbeck Day, Ulf Pettersson will receive the Olof Rudbeck prize in honour of his many groundbreaking efforts in virus and human genetics research. In connection with the prize ceremony, Ulf Pettersson will give a lecture with the title "Medical genetics – from race biology to genomic medicine".

Research profile, Ulf Pettersson Olof Rudbeck Day

### Lars Forsberg receives *Erik* K. Fernströms Svenska pris

The Erik K. Fernström foundation has decided to award Lars Forsberg the Swedish Prize, which is presented to young, particularly promising and successful researchers at medical faculties in Sweden. The award will be presented at Forskningens dag in Lund on 7 November, 2018.

#### **Grants Day 22 November**

Uppsala University is arranging a Grants Day where researchers from all fields are invited to meet representatives from Swedish funding agencies. Presentations will focus on criteria in evaluation, upcoming calls and inspiration.

More information can be found in MP, which will be updated shortly.

