


CHAT STATIONS



<https://twitter.com/nathanwpyle/status/1176860147223867393>

 **Caitlin Vander Weele, PhD**
@caitvw

We actually got some interesting data out my my mistake so it wasn't so bad. Haha. Also a good + control!

10:07 PM · Jan 17, 2018 from Cambridge, MA

<https://twitter.com/caitvw/status/953841172530843648>



Dr Cathryn Lewis
@cathrynlewis



The #WCPG2019 plenary speaker @kasper_lage admits that science does not always work, and 'things get dropped on the floor' #OverlyhonestMethods

11:21 AM · Oct 29, 2019

<https://twitter.com/cathrynlewis/status/1189215668786401290>



Dr. Emily Petroff
@ebpetroff



Laura Spitler on the frequency structure of the repeating FRB 121102: “This is almost certainly telling us something important. What that thing is, we don’t really know.” #overlyhonestmethods #EWASS2019

7:47 AM · Jun 24, 2019

<https://twitter.com/ebpetroff/status/1143138612030136320>



Joanne Power
@hanniepower



The point is: sometimes things don't work. Experiments fail all the time in science. It doesn't mean that you're a failure. #phdlife #scicomm #overlyhonestmethods

6:22 AM · Nov 21, 2018

<https://twitter.com/hanniepower/status/1065218823140331520>



Melody Wu
@smely8mely



Filled glassware dryer with plasticware—everything melted, dryer was ruined, and entire building had to be evacuated. Then there was the time cautery accidentally ignited residual EtOH on fur during surgery.

[#scienceoopsies](#)

10:32 PM · Jan 17, 2018



Prof. Katie Whitehead
@KWhiteheadLab



As a PhD student, I vacuum filtered an acetone solution into one of those attached plastic bottles. Came in next morning to find dissolved, chunky plastic coating my entire bench space. Spent rest of PhD scraping it off with a razor blade.

6:04 PM · Jan 17, 2018

<https://twitter.com/smely8mely/status/953847582278680576>

<https://twitter.com/KWhiteheadLab/status/953780156858093568>



Krysta Coyle, PhD
@molecularkrysta



I once tried to flame-sterilise a tube with ethanol - in shock, dropped the flaming tube and lit my entire bench on fire.

10:07 PM · Jan 17, 2018

<https://twitter.com/molecularkrysta/status/953841300947816448>



Adam Saunders
@AdamMSaunders



Physicists moving out of shared lab space blew up a fume hood, black smoke and glass everywhere. Instead of alerting us, they deliberated for 30min by destroyed hood b4 finally asking OUR opinion on which explsv compound they accidentally made in waste bottle. [#scienceoopsies](#)

2:16 AM · Jan 18, 2018

<https://twitter.com/AdamMSaunders/status/95390378911057510>



Prof Ben Garrod

@Ben_garrod



In a bid to show field staff how to safely identify and handle snakes, I caught a 'harmless' species only to realise that it was a very very deadly one that in my defence did look similar!!! [#scienceoopsies](#)

6:52 AM · Jan 18, 2018



Chris Vitek (he/him)

@skeetobite



First field collection as a post-doc, I set the insect traps in the evening and left. The next morning I came back only to find out that I had forgotten to un-cork the trap openings and actually collect the insects.

9:53 PM · Jan 17, 2018 from HARLINGEN-WSLCO-BRNSVL-MCA

https://twitter.com/Ben_garrod/status/953973493573603328



Dr Gabriela K Hajduk - Senior Data Scientist

@AmidstScience



I was holding some bird eggs but was asked to help elsewhere. I carefully set the eggs down, saying "I'm putting these here". I barely lifted my hands when the person next to me set a heavy container on top of all of them. [#scienceoopsies](#)

6:03 AM · Jan 18, 2018

<https://twitter.com/skeetobite/status/953837645934792704>



Keri Martinowich

@martinowk



In grad school I had to put my clothes AND shoes in the radioactive contaminated container. Bestie brought me a disposable lab coat and booties from the animal facility to leave in. [#scienceoopsies](#)

1:11 PM · Jan 18, 2018

<https://twitter.com/AmidstScience/status/953961123832913920>

<https://twitter.com/martinowk/status/954068820049780736>



Steve Knutson
@MrSteveKnutson



Ligation was stopped at 20 h instead of 18 h because Steve slept through his first two alarms [#overlyhonestmethods](#) [#RealTimeChem](#)

8:09 AM · Sep 29, 2018

<https://twitter.com/MrSteveKnutson/status/1046024211284848640>



Dr. Emily A. Aery Jones @EmilyAeryJones · Feb 18, 2022



[#overlyhonestmethods](#): mice were recorded daily for 36 consecutive days, except for day 18, when the experimenter took the day off for her grandmother's 99th birthday 🎂🎉

<https://twitter.com/EmilyAeryJones/status/1494853967028768772>

https://twitter.com/coal_carter/status/1295143050998677506



2 brain cells rubbed together
@coal_carter



"the reaction was concentrated and the product was crystalized out at -40C overnight because I was too hangry to finish evaporating off the toluene"

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6:39 PM · Aug 16, 2020

<https://twitter.com/maadornelas/status/1311274906752081920>



Maria Dornelas
@maadornelas



methods according to [@viv_brambilla](#): "(...) was measured with a kitchen balance found on the island because the precision balance we brought with us refused to work" [#overlyhonestmethods](#)

7:01 AM · Sep 30, 2020



Marissa Scavuzzo

@marissascavuzzo



I just puked in a trashcan in the middle of an experiment with gloves on & pipette in hand without pause (7mo pregnant, not sick). So to any of you losers who think women aren't tough enough for science careers I invite you to come hold my hair back while I feed my cells

5:13 PM · May 26, 2021

<https://twitter.com/marissascavuzzo/status/1397677314922532866>



Dr. Karolina Heyduk

@kheyduk



"RNA could not be collected for this one sample because a post doc sliced her finger and bled into the tube." [#overlyhonestmethods](#)

(I'm fine. Annoyed, but fine.)

12:34 PM · Feb 28, 2018

<https://twitter.com/kheyduk/status/968917420676087809>



Rebecca Hayes

@DrBeckyHayes



"We used open source software, R, because it is free and we are poor"

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11:24 AM · Nov 9, 2018

<https://twitter.com/DrBeckyHayes/status/1060946308536528897>



Dr. Sabine Stanley

@PlanetSabine

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"The reason I chose this model is because my supervisor told me to"

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Fauna Yarza
@micro_fauna

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This experiment was done with 7 ticks because that is how many I could fit in the tube before freaking out.

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Dr Alexandra A Phillips
@alexploring



Summer 2018 samples aren't included in the analysis because I left the falcon tubes in the motel freezer, asked the maid to overnight ship them, and wasn't sure how sketchy that would be to include here [#overlyhonestmethods](#) (writing my first paper, watch out world...)

4:20 PM · May 8, 2019

<https://twitter.com/alexploring/status/1126235462518038528>



Dan
@bug_butch



“Our n=20 because keeping 20 fire ants nests is already too much work”
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Elisa Granato @Prokaryota · Jul 13, 2020

Normalize overly honest method sections. "Cells were spun down at 5000 rpm because the centrifuge makes a funny noise at higher speeds."

2:13 PM · Jul 13, 2020

https://twitter.com/bug_butch/status/1282755019675062272



Rachel Thorley
@Rachel_Thorley



When setting up one PhD project, I buried rock samples under trees. I chose some good big ones, which were handily marked with red and white tape.

Returned 6 months later to find only stumps left!

So yeah N =13 was definitely intentional ;)

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3:39 PM · Jan 18, 2018

https://twitter.com/Rachel_Thorley/status/954106064676577280