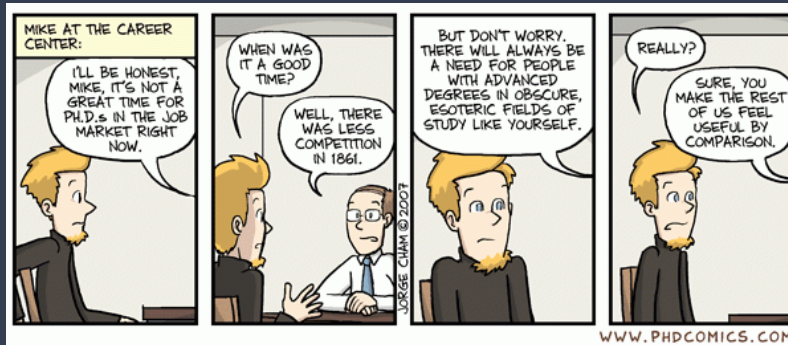


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Alternatives to an academic career



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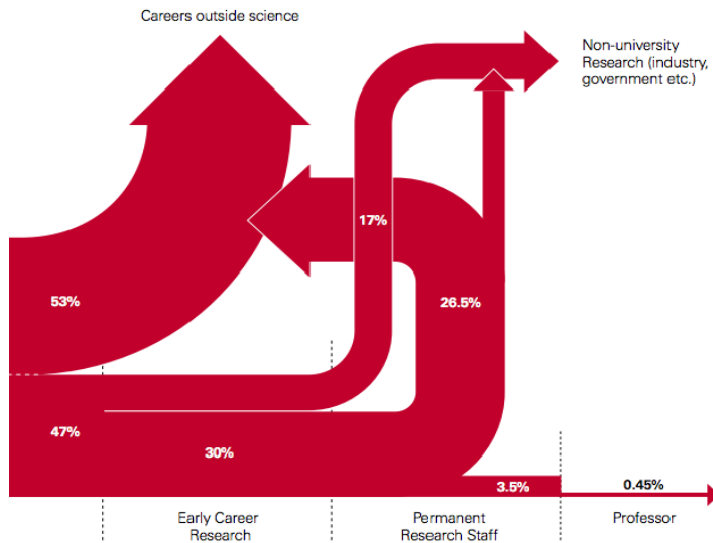
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Setting the scene...

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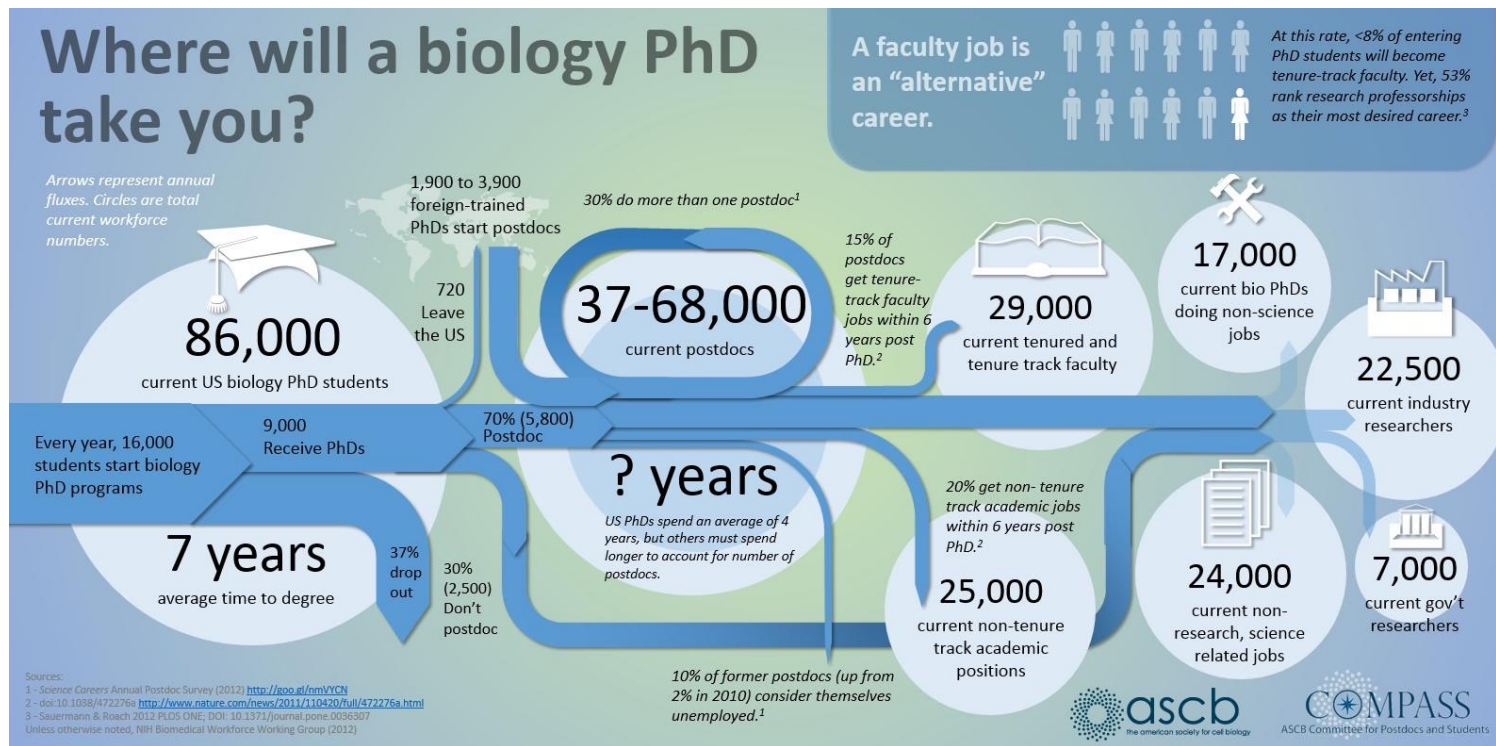
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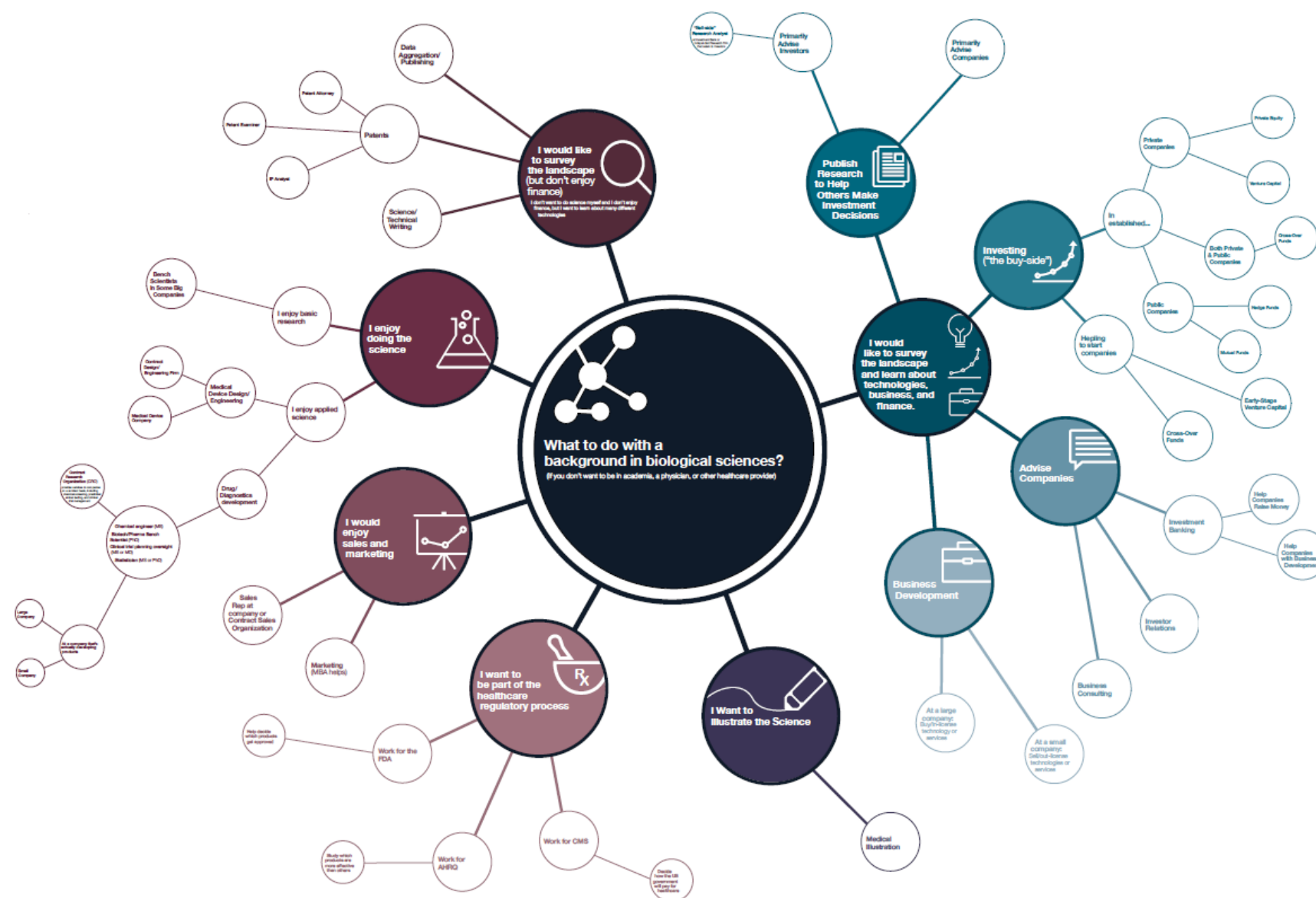
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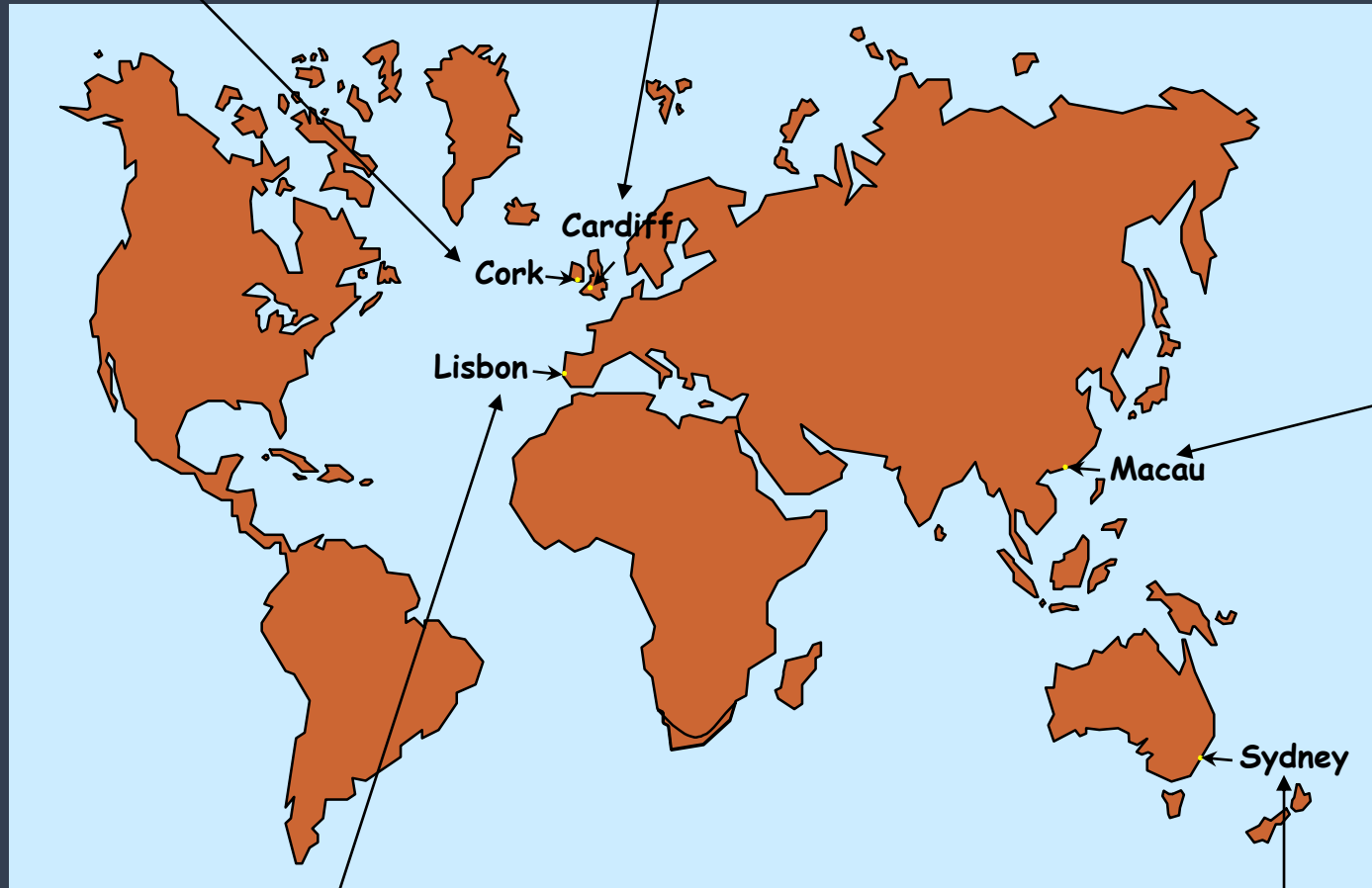
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My Background

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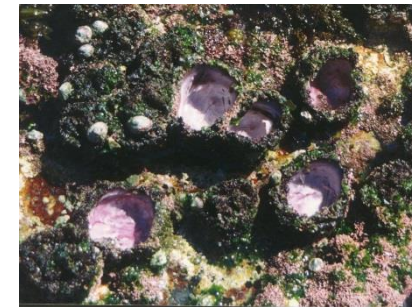
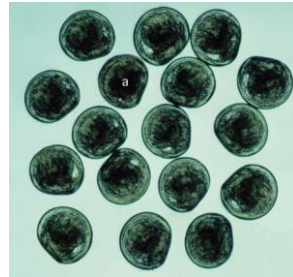


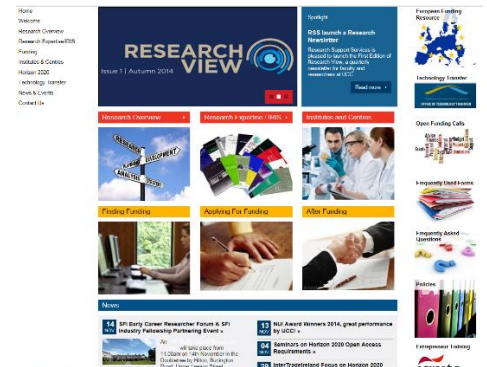
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Degree in Biology Applied to Animal Resources
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My Background – Research

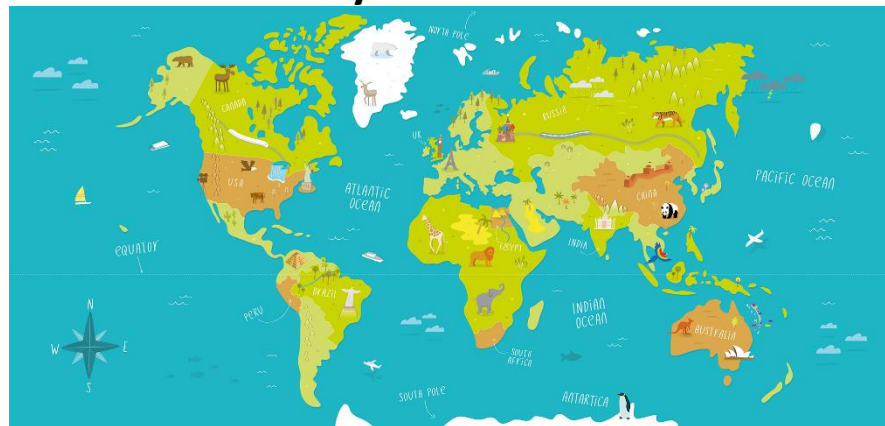




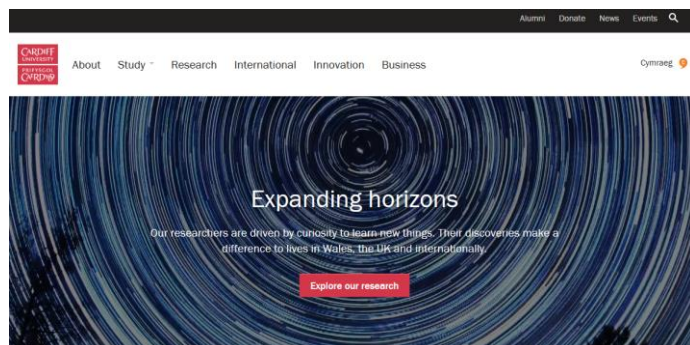
My Background – Outside Research



Next Stop for me?
Can be anywhere in the world



**Depends on where the next exciting
opportunity comes from**



Having a plan is important but
remember nothing is **carved in stone**.



There is mobility among the various sectors, so don't feel like you're trapped if you're unhappy... If an **interesting challenge/opportunity** comes along
Go for it!

Useful Links – Career Planning

Career Planning

[Charting a course for a successful research career](#)

[Science Careers](#)

[Next Gen PhD: A Guide to Career Paths in Science](#) (Melanie V. Sinche, 2016)

[Career Trends: Exploring Careers Beyond the Bench](#)

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[Career Trends: Industry or Academia: Where do I fit in?](#)

Job Search

[Nature jobs](#)

[New Scientist Jobs](#)

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Questions?