# Science Twitter

Mostly a very friendly place! (setting aside the recent worm drama)

#### Reasons to be on science twitter

- Meet people who do related work
  - Collaboration
  - Staying up to date
  - Advice
  - Find jobs
- Find a supportive community (e.g. #BiInSci, #BlackinSTEM, #pyladies)
- Fun!



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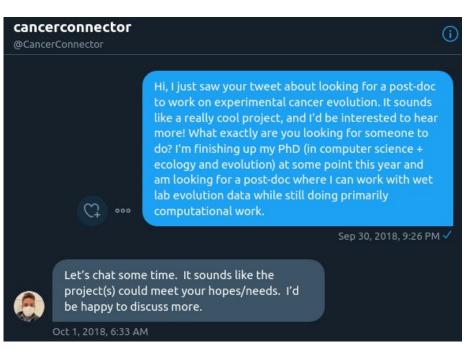
- 1. Make a Twitter account (including profile picture and bio)
- 2. Look at hashtags related to stuff you do
- 3. Follow people who do similar things to you (lists and community-building hashtags are helpful for this)
- 4. Be a helpful community member and promote people's stuff when it's cool
  - a. Live-tweeting
  - b. Retweeting
  - c. Answering questions
- 5. When you do cool stuff, tweet about it!
  - a. Tweetorials (example: <a href="https://twitter.com/changyu\_chang/status/1287374313096712192">https://twitter.com/CancerConnector/status/1202993334991630337</a>)
  - b. Github repos
  - c. Share opinions (but be nice!)

Opinions about how to be professional on Twitter vary...

**Brandon Barton** @TrophicCascader Dear potential grad students, Tweets or DMs are probably not the best way to ask about potential openings in the lab. 8:29 PM · Sep 28, 2018 · Twitter for iPhone 85 Retweets and comments 71 Likes

### Counterpoint





### Notes on finding jobs via Twitter

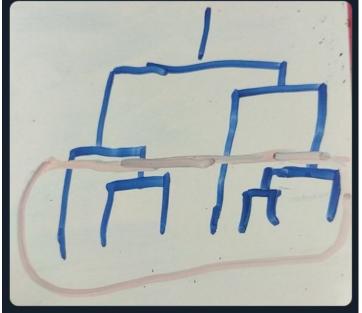
- Need to keep your Twitter account somewhat professional
  - Including likes
  - Emphasis on the "somewhat"
  - Can make multiple accounts
- Have a website and link to it in your bio

### Get advice from colleagues





Hey #phylogenetics Twitter: is there a name for the chunk of a phylogeny that evolved after a given time point (e.g. the circled region)? All of the terms I know are based on topology rather than absolute time. Also, if there's not, can it be (@MorenoMatthewA's idea) the canopy?



2:15 PM · Sep 7, 2018 · Twitter for Android

#### Fun



Virtual conferencing pro-tip: be careful which chat window you're typing in so you don't accidentally ask your fellow conference attendees to bring you snacks alife2020

6:07 PM · Jul 18, 2020 · Twitter Web App



Spectacularly considerate and on-the-ball cleaning crew. #OnlyinPlön

