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communications@medsci.ox.ac.uk

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Copy deadline for next issue: 09:00, Monday 7 December. Delivery date: Monday 14 December



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From Professor Alastair Buchan, Dean of Medicine and Head of Division

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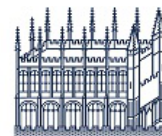
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OPPORTUNITIES AND UPDATES

Important Updates

- Get your ORCID iD As well as being a requirement for Wellcome Trust funding, having an ORCID iD now brings extra benefits
- Update on Triangle Building nursery, ORC
- Call for Final Honour School Research Projects 2016

Funding Opportunities

- Oxford-UCB Prize Fellowship in Biomedical Research 3-year fully-funded Research Fellowship, plus £10,000 Prize. Now open for applications
- NIHR Oxford BRC Call for New Research Programmes

NIHR Research Professorships Deadline for expressions of interest Monday 25 November
Funding for open access publications arising from finished FP7 projects

Engagement Opportunities

Oxford Sparks Public Engagement Training Michaelmas Term Timetable Announced

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers wanted! Research Project: Perceptual Capacity in the Classroom

Healthy volunteers aged 18–45 needed For a study investigating the effects of the antidepressant Bupropion on the processing of emotions

Do you stutter? Researchers at the Department of Experimental Psychology University of Oxford are seeking men who stutter for a Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS) study.

Speech MRI study Researchers at the Department of Experimental Psychology University of Oxford are seeking participants for a speech study.

Do you, or young people you know, want to take part in the 'young people and skin conditions' project?

18–35 year olds needed for EEG study

Children and adolescents needed for study examining number skills and brain development

Towards the prevention of RSV: A major cause of infant death A vaccine study involving healthy adults

Males 18–40 needed for study Interested in the workings of the human brain? Want to help Research in Psychiatry?

The Oxford Vaccine Centre Healthy Volunteers Database

Other Items of Interest

Clinical DPhil Paths: 2015 survey live and partner universities on board! Clinical DPhil Paths is an OUCAGS study about the career plans of clinical DPhil students. This year, UCL and Birmingham University are joining in, too.

Oxford Immunology Group (OIG) Post Day Day Thursday 12th November 2015, 12:00 – 17:00 (coffee from 11:30), WIMM Seminar Room

Annual Oxford Developmental Biology Symposium Friday 11 December 2015. Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road.

Crossing Boundaries 2 – Health Research Relevant to LMIC Across Oxford's Disciplines and Divisions Tuesday 8th December, 2015, 08.30 to 18.00. Saïd Business School. Registration deadline 13 November.

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust Research Day 'What can research do for you' 16 December 2015. All welcome

Biostars Kick-Start Workshop Launch of Biotech Business Competition, 14 November 10am – 5.30pm, Saïd Business School

OB360 Bio-Entrepreneurship Programme Evening seminars on entrepreneurship. November 2015 – February 2016

Carbon Innovation Programme Staff and students: Submit your carbon reduction idea for a chance to win a Carbon Innovator Award

Innovation in the NHS 30 November, Lecture Theatre 2, John Radcliffe Hospital

Tickets now available for the 76th annual Tingewick Panto Running from 25th – 28th November, curtains up at 7:30 pm

MedComms Careers event 14 January, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre

AND FINALLY...

As we announced in the [September newsletter](#), Oxford has recently become a member of *The Conversation* – an online source of thought-provoking articles written by researchers and academics for the public in the UK and globally.



A number of Medical Sciences researchers have already published articles since we started the partnership, including post-doctoral researcher [Julie Hussin](#), who said that working one-to-one with *The Conversation's* editors to improve her [article](#), was as a very positive and instructive experience.

Want to find out more? Academics and researchers are invited to join *The Conversation's* CEO, Max Landry and the University's new Academic Champion for Public Engagement with Research, Professor Sarah Whatmore at a lunchtime reception on Friday 27 November, from 12:30pm in Jesus College.

Register at <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-conversation-tickets-19270584838>

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And why is what you and your team do important?

We can help get this right, in order to reduce the chances of something going wrong later and to make it easier to deal with any problems that may arise. Staff in Medical Sciences often work in complex environments where they have to deal with many different requirements – regulatory and legal, funding, ethical, collaborator and third party contractor requirements and we are on hand to provide support through these complex requirements if and when it is needed.

What's currently at the top of your to do list?

At the very top, I am working on an agreement for another division. It's a complicated agreement that I am drafting from scratch. I quite like doing this but it isn't a fast job. It's urgent now because I've been spending a lot of time helping the Medical Sciences Divisional Office with arrangements for the RPIF –funded Precision Medicine Institute, which has been an ongoing project over a number of years.

How did you get to where you are today?

I didn't like working in London when I first trained as a solicitor, so I moved to Devon, and although it was pretty, I found it rather dull. So when I saw a job advertised in 1998 at Oxford University working with Research Services and Isis Innovation, it sounded perfect. My job has changed a lot over the years but I still have a constant stream of interesting projects and get to work with interesting people who make a difference and that's why I keep doing it.

If you weren't working in Legal Services , what would you like to be doing? What keeps you busy outside of work?

I wanted to be a teacher for many years, like my mother, until a careers teacher told me it was a nice job for a girl ... I suppose since my main reason for the choice had centred on the number of Christmas presents my mother received, it may not be a huge loss to the teaching profession!

Outside work I try to organise my three children, one husband and one hamster and take a very long time inexpertly undertaking DIY.

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- (4) received a report from the Board's Research Committee, noted the committee's discussion of Isis Innovation's new five-year plan and of the six bids that had been submitted for new Wellcome Trust Centres, and adopted the committee's recommendation that the committee be renamed as the Research and Innovation Committee with new terms of reference reflecting responsibilities related to innovation;
- (5) received and noted a report from the Board's Information Technology Committee;
- (6) received and discussed a briefing note providing information on the implications for decision-making within the Division and by the Board and its committees of the Public Sector Equality Duty.

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The Vice Chancellor's Diversity Fund and Returning Carers' Fund

Applications are invited to the Vice Chancellor's Diversity Fund and the Returning Carers' Fund, with deadlines for applications on Friday 20 November and Wednesday 11 November respectively. Full details and application forms are available on the Equality and Diversity Unit's website:

VC's Diversity Fund: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/inpractice/vc-fund/

Returning Carers' Fund: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/inpractice/vc-fund/returning-carers/

In the case of the Vice Chancellor's Diversity Fund it should be noted that no more than £150,000 will be available in total, and that bids that impact on more than one department are likely to be prioritised. In assessing bids, the Advisory Group on the Fund will consider the range of projects already agreed and applicants are advised to familiarise themselves with these: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/inpractice/vc-fund/projects/. Bids in new areas and those demonstrating innovation will be welcomed, particularly applications for projects addressing a) inequalities in the Humanities and b) race equality, areas which have been notably underrepresented to date.

Any enquiries from prospective applicants should be directed to brid.cronin@medsci.ox.ac.uk

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Join the Virtual Staff Advisory Group

Are you interested in having a say on issues that may affect equality and diversity within the University? All members of University staff are invited to join a new virtual staff advisory group, which is being set up by the Equality & Diversity Unit. The group provides an opportunity to have your say on key issues that may affect equality and diversity, such as caring for children or elderly relatives, or harassment and bullying. Taking part is easy and will only take a few minutes of your time. You will be invited to complete a number of brief surveys via WebLearn every year, each involving no more than five questions. Feedback gained in this way will be added to that received from other sources (including the various staff networks) and will be used to help bring forward policy proposals or to highlight areas where further engagement with staff is required. If you would like to express an interest in joining the network, or would just like to find out more about what participation entails, please email [Sara Smith](mailto:Sara.Smith@equality.ox.ac.uk) in the Equality & Diversity Unit.

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Anti-bullying week 16-20 November

The Equality and Diversity Unit and the Department of Chemistry invite you to two talks and to take part in a poster competition for Anti-bullying week. They also encourage you to visit the Harassment training webpage www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/harassmentadvice/harassmenttraining where you will find the online course "Challenging Behaviour: Dealing with bullying and harassment in the workplace" and short videos on "micro-behaviours and micro-inequities".

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Events:

Understanding the opt-out revolution: How it fuels ambition and defines work-life balance

Professor Michelle Ryan, University of Exeter

Women continue to be under-represented in particular roles (such as leadership) and particular sectors (such as surgery or policing), and this has been explained by the fact that women actively choose to opt-out due to an innate lack of ambition and commitment. Michelle will

present a series of studies to contradict such a claim and will demonstrate that women's ambition erodes over time because perceptions of fit and belonging reduce with experience. Importantly, these fit processes have a strong impact of women's perceptions of work-life balance and their willingness to make sacrifices for their careers. Implications for policy and practice will be discussed.

Full details can be found at: <http://www.learning.ox.ac.uk/public/>

Date: Thursday 12 November

Time: 3.30–4.30pm

Venue: Oxford Learning Institute, Littlegate House, St Ebbe's

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Dr Rachel Fenton – Bystander Intervention

Dr Fenton is a Senior Lecturer in Law at UWE and is the Principal Investigator for the Public Health England-funded bystander intervention project www.uwe.ac.uk/interventioninitiative

Date: 19 November 2015

Time: 2pm

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Dolly Sen – Respectful behaviour, unconscious bias awareness, equality and how they link with mental well-being

Dolly is an award-winning writer, artist, performer and filmmaker. Apart from her creative work, she speaks and trains on mental health. Her training and public speaking has taken her to The World Health Organisation in Geneva, the House of Lords, the Barbican, University of Westminster, Guy's Hospital, the Probation Service and over 100 charity, corporate and statutory organisations.

Date: 17 November 2015

Time: 2pm

Venue: The talks will be held in the Physical & Theoretical Chemistry Laboratory Lecture Theatre, South Parks Road. All are welcome, no booking required.

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Poster competition

Calling all frustrated artists, we need you! We are looking for a poster which captures the theme of our Anti-bullying week, "Responsible Bystander". A responsible bystander, in line with the University's policy on harassment, will:

- Treat others with dignity and respect.
- Discourage any form of harassment by making it clear that such behaviour is unacceptable.
- Support any member of the University who feels they have been subject to harassment.

Your design should incorporate the University logo (www.ox.ac.uk/public-affairs/branding-toolkit) and refer to the Harassment Advisory Service webpages (www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/harassmentadvice).

The winning design will be printed and distributed for notice boards across the collegiate University.

The judging panel will include:

- Trudy Coe (Head of the Equality and Diversity Unit)
- Abbie Muchecheti (Senior HR Officer and Harassment Advisor, Chemistry)
- Paul Chinn (Head of Design, Public Affairs Directorate)

Please email your designs in PDF format, suitable for reproduction in A4, to harassment.line@admin.ox.ac.uk by **20 November 2015**.

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Ada Lovelace Symposium 2015

Registration has opened for the Ada Lovelace Symposium 2015, celebrating the 200th birthday of computer visionary Ada Lovelace. In addition to the main Symposium, there will be a workshop for graduate students and early career researchers on 8 December to discuss the varied cultural legacies of this extraordinary mathematician.

[Further details](#)

[Registration](#)

Symposium Registration costs £40, and attendance at the Ada Lovelace birthday dinner, in Balliol College, £50.

Date: 9–10 December

Venue: The Mathematical Institute, Oxford

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Articles and Resources

Every two weeks an electronic update of events, news and resources relating to gender equality, is circulated directly to the Oxford Women's Network mailing list and posted on the EDU website. Please sign up to the mailing list by emailing gender.equality@admin.ox.ac.uk

A new leaflet on gender equality at Oxford gives a brief overview of why gender equality matters, what the University is doing and how to find out more. Contact adrienne.hopkins@admin.ox.ac.uk if you would like copies for distribution at inductions or events.

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It's good to be the Queen . . . but it's easier being the King

Article outlining how many gender differences are really power differences in disguise.

www.mckinsey.com/insights/leading_in_the_21st_century/its_good_to_be_the_queen_but_its_easier_being_the_king

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Rosalind Franklin Appathon

UCL Enterprise, i-sense, the London Centre for Nanotechnology and the Royal Society have launched the Rosalind Franklin Appathon– a national app competition to empower and recognise women as leaders in STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Medicine).

Apply at www.rfappathon.org before **4th January 2016** for a chance to win prizes from a panel of high profile judges, including Baroness Martha Lane Fox (Founder of lastminute.com), Andrew Eland (Director of Social Impact Engineering, Google) and Professor Dame Athene Donald (Professor of Experimental Physics at the University of Cambridge), and funding towards app development through the UCL Mobile Academy.

The competition has two different challenges:

Challenge 1: To develop new mobile phone apps to empower women in STEMM. The competition is open to both women and men. Whether you're a complete novice with a good idea, a wannabe coder or a seasoned app developer, they want to hear from you!

Challenge 2: To recognise leading women in STEMM who have pioneered new apps for research and societal good. Help the team identify and support female role models who are making a difference by submitting a 200 word nomination statement.

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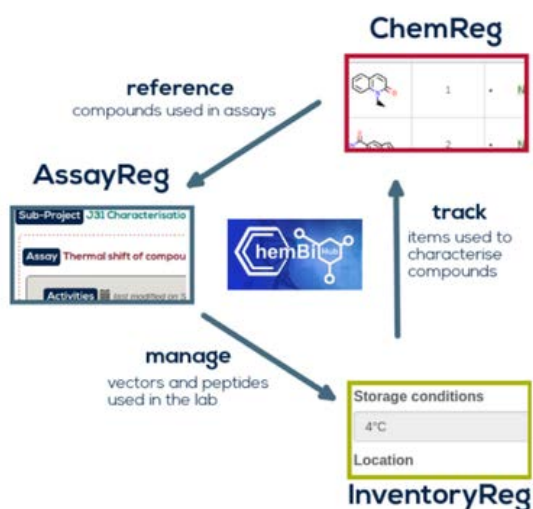
Does your research group need to improve how you manage stock laboratory items? Do you need to register chemical compounds and record assay data? The ChemBio Hub team has created tools to help with these vital tasks.

InventoryReg allows you to keep track of what you have in stock in your lab, including plasmids, antibodies, chemical inventory and consumables. A secure web-based application allows the right people to see where they can find what they need.

ChemReg is a valuable tool for any group needing to collate detailed information about the molecules their laboratory creates or uses. For those generating novel compounds, ChemReg records key characteristics and potential applications. When appropriate, the data can then be deposited in public compound repositories in a simple, supported process.

AssayReg provides a consistent means for researchers to record all relevant data for a given assay. Data can be uploaded one record at a time or from a file of assay or activity data. Dynamic search functionality then allows you to view all relevant data to which you have access. By ensuring well-structured data values, the process of depositing to ChEMBL and PubChem is simplified and getting data ready for publication is also made easier.

If you are interested in finding out more about how these applications can help your research effort, take a look at the ChemBio Hub website <https://chembiohub.ox.ac.uk/> or contact Adam Hendry, the project scientist, for more details – adam.hendry@chembiohub.ox.ac.uk



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IT Innovation Challenges for Michaelmas and Beyond

Following a positive review of the IT Innovation Challenges' first year (MSD secured 1/3 of the projects awarded in the Hilary and Trinity 2015 staff challenges), the scheme will be running again in 2015-6. The first challenge has now been launched, inviting staff and students to submit ideas for small innovative digital projects on the following themes:

- Undergraduate Admissions and Access (staff & students)
- Making Research Easier (staff)
- Research Collaboration (staff)

Ideas can also be submitted in the Open category (staff and students).

If you have an idea please submit it through the Oxford Ideas site (<https://oxfordideas.wazoku.com> – requires registration). This is where others can offer you feedback, suggestions and advice and where you can comment on other people's ideas. If you don't have an idea of your own you can still be involved in discussing and developing ideas and contributing to other projects in this way.

This challenge closes for ideas at midnight on 14 November 2015 but is open for comments and



discussion until midnight on 21 November. Ideas will then be evaluated and a selection will be invited to develop a project proposal to be considered for funding. Further information can be found through the [IT Innovation Challenges website](#).

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The IT Learning Programme delivers over [200 classroom-based IT-related learning events](#) each term. These sessions are very popular – there are often waiting lists – and we see nearly 4000 individuals every year. However, we know there are many others who would like to improve their IT skills but cannot make it to our courses so we are pleased to announce that we have negotiated a University-wide license for access to lynda.com.

lynda.com provides a vast online library of instructional videos covering the latest software. Taught by accomplished teachers and recognised industry experts, lynda.com is a high-quality resource for students, academics, and staff looking to develop skills in Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite, project management, social media, and a wide range of other topics. There are new courses each week and you have the option to watch a complete course or bite-sized videos, as you need them.

lynda.com doesn't have the benefits of an ITLP teacher giving you the context of using IT in an Oxford setting so we will continue to deliver and enhance our classroom-based courses but it does give you access to excellent 24/7 learning.

Find out more by [signing up with lynda.com](#) with your Oxford Single Sign On details.

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Expecting a visit from the Information Security Team?

The Team is developing the collateral to make compliance with internal and external information security requirements easier. We are talking to college heads of house and bursars, department administrators, project managers and IT support staff to help them to identify, assess and manage risk, for example:

- How do you know if your information security arrangements are good enough?
- Which are the critical information assets and systems that must be protected?
- How does information security fit into the development of software, services and new buildings?
- What are the specific regulatory, funder and partner requirements of your unit?
- How can staff and students be trained to know their responsibilities for protecting your University's information?
- What is the University's new governance structure for information security and what impact will this have on you?



Please contact the Information Security team infosec@it.ox.ac.uk to find out more.

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SharePoint Upgrade

SharePoint 2010 is a robust, centralised service provided by IT Services to the wider University that runs many business critical applications for departments and colleges. However, since mainstream support for SharePoint 2010 will be ending in October and in order to benefit from the enhanced capabilities of SharePoint 2013, we will be upgrading.

New features include greater flexibility for customisation, a better search facility, the provision of apps – allowing site administrators to add third party features without involvement of the IT Services Nexus team – and better browser compatibility.



Migrations to the new SharePoint service will be starting in January 2016. It is anticipated that SharePoint 2010 sites will remain fully functional; therefore, there will be a phased approach to migrating sites to SharePoint 2013. All SharePoint sites will be closely monitored and migration will be expedited should problems occur, to ensure that users and site owners have minimal disruption to their service. There will be on-line help available for users and the SharePoint project team and the Nexus team will be in touch with site owners (including collection owners) to plan migration of legacy SharePoint 2010 sites to the SharePoint 2013 format.

Further information will be available later this year but, in the meantime, if you have any queries please contact sharepointproject@it.ox.ac.uk.

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Engage 2016: Call for speakers

For the past 3 years IT Services with the Bodleian Libraries have delivered its award-winning [Engage](#)

programme to University staff and students. The programme raises awareness and builds skills in the use of digital technologies for public engagement and outreach activities.

This year Engage will run in Hilary term and the team are busy planning the schedule of lunchtime talks, workshops and events. In 2016 the programme will focus more closely on impact and pathways to impact.

The team would love to hear from anyone who would like to talk about a project or initiative they are involved in that uses digital technologies to take research and teaching beyond Oxford's walls. Get in touch at meet@it.ox.ac.uk.

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Research Skills Toolkit

Research students tell us that they want to improve their IT and Library Information skills. So if you are a 1st or 2nd year graduate researcher, this event is just for you. And it's free to attend! Come along to a hands-on workshop where you can try out a range of tools and meet our specialists to find out more.

In a lively 2-hour session, you will try out a variety of online tools and services to support your research, including reference management software, literature searching and advanced search techniques, and keeping up to date with emerging research.

What some of last year's attendees told us:

- "... an excellent way to get to try the different tools and learn at the same time. Thank you!"
- "I liked the way it introduced me to lots of different useful resources in a short space of time"
- "The staff were all approachable and professional, which made the session enjoyable"

We have sessions dedicated to each subject area, so read more here and book your place:

<http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/STQA>

Open to graduate researchers in Medical Sciences on:

- Wed 2 Dec 10am
- Thu 3 Dec 2pm
- Wed 20 Jan 10am
- Thu 21 Jan 10am

Location : Oxford University IT Services, 13 Banbury Rd, OX2 6NN



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NHS Athens for Oxford Medical Students

All medical students in England are entitled to an NHS Athens Account for the duration of their course. The resources available are those purchased nationally such as the *BNF* App, but do not include resources acquired for local NHS Trusts. See <http://www.evidence.nhs.uk/nhs-evidence-content/journals-and-databases>

All fourth year students should by now have received an email from 'Eduserv Athens' advising that an NHS Athens account has been set up. Just click on the link in the email to activate your NHS Athens account and set up a password.

If you need further information or assistance with NHS Athens please contact hcl-athens@bodleian.ox.ac.uk

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Data Support Services For Researchers

Research Data Management (RDM) is an increasingly important element of research projects, so have you considered how to store data securely? What does your funder expect you to do with your data? Can you get help with costs?

If you're looking for answers to these questions or have any others about RDM, have a look at <http://researchdata.ox.ac.uk>. This is designed to support researchers with their research data management and sharing activities.

Further information is available from the Outreach Librarians based within Bodleian Health Care Libraries.

www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/hcl/using-the-libraries/outreach_librarians or contact us hcl-enquiries@bodleian.ox.ac.uk.

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Have you got overdue books or need to pay fines, but are too busy to make it to the library?

It's a busy time of year, and we know it's not always easy to get to the Library. If you've got outstanding fines and can't renew your books email bhcl-renewals@bodleian.ox.ac.uk or call us. We can then investigate and if possible will renew them for you.

If you can get online, you can renew your books or check your account using SOLO <http://solo.bodleian.ox.ac.uk> . You can now also pay Bodleian Health Care Libraries fines online using either debit or credit cards by registering at <http://tinyurl.com/BHCLfines>.

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Crossing Boundaries 2 - Health Research Relevant to LMIC Across Oxford's Disciplines and Divisions Tuesday 8th December, 2015, 08.30 to 18.00. Saïd Business School. Registration deadline 13 November.

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust Research Day 'What can research do for you' 16 December 2015. All welcome

Biostars Kick-Start Workshop Launch of Biotech Business Competition, 14 November 10am - 5.30pm, Saïd Business School

OB360 Bio-Entrepreneurship Programme Evening seminars on entrepreneurship. November 2015 - February 2016

Carbon Innovation Programme Staff and students: Submit your carbon reduction idea for a chance to win a Carbon Innovator Award

Innovation in the NHS 30 November, Lecture Theatre 2, John Radcliffe Hospital

Tickets now available for the 76th annual Tingewick Panto Running from 25th - 28th November, curtains up at 7:30 pm

MedComms Careers event 14 January, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre

And Finally...Join us at The Conversation lunchtime launch event

As we announced in the [September newsletter](#), Oxford has recently become a member of *The Conversation* – an online source of thought-provoking articles written by researchers and academics for the public in the UK and globally.

THE CONVERSATION
Academic rigour, journalistic flair

A number of Medical Sciences researchers have already published articles since we started the partnership, including post-doctoral researcher [Julie Hussin](#), who said that working one-to-one with *The Conversation's* editors to improve her [article](#), was as a very positive and instructive experience.

Want to find out more? Academics and researchers are invited to join *The Conversation's* CEO, Max Landry and the University's new Academic Champion for Public Engagement with Research, Professor Sarah Whatmore at a lunchtime reception on Friday 27 November, from 12:30pm in Jesus College.

Register at <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-conversation-tickets-19270584838>

More of our recent articles on *The Conversation*:

[What makes us scratch an itch? Scientists finally have the answer](#) by Harriet Dempsey-Jones, Department of Clinical Neurosciences

[Choir singing improves health, happiness – and is the perfect icebreaker](#) by Jacques Launay and Eiluned Pearce, Department of Experimental Psychology

[Let's dance: synchronised movement helps us tolerate pain and foster friendship](#) by Bronwyn Tar, Department of Experimental Psychology

Important Updates

Get your ORCID iD

As well as being a requirement for Wellcome Trust funding, having an ORCID iD now brings extra benefits. From August 2015 the Wellcome Trust requires lead applicants to provide an ORCID identifier when submitting a grant application.

An ORCID is a unique researcher identifier you keep throughout your life, wherever you are. ORCID iDs are increasingly used by funders and publishers globally to link researchers with their publications and grants.

Open Access Oxford have recently launched the ORCID at Oxford service which enables University of Oxford researchers to create an ORCID iD with verified University affiliation.

And now, with Auto-Update of ORCID profiles, there hasn't been a better time to get your ORCID iD. Auto-Update will automatically update your ORCID profile as soon as any manuscripts or datasets linked to your ORCID iD are published, as long as you follow these simple steps listed on the ORCID blog.

Please sign up for your ORCID through the ORCID at Oxford service, to get a University-affiliated account.



Update on Triangle Building nursery, ORC

Work is due to begin at the end of November on a fifth University nursery at the Triangle Building on the Old Road Campus. The work is due for completion in May 2016. There will be further communication regarding either amending current nursery choices or applying to the nursery waiting list. There is no process to express interest in places at this time.

Keep up to date with all ORC planned developments and updates

Call for Final Honour School Research Projects 2016

The Course Directors for Pre-clinical Medicine and Biomedical Sciences are seeking around 180 research projects for candidates of the Final Honour Schools of Medical Sciences, Cell & Systems Biology and Neuroscience.

Typically research projects begin in May and should occupy the student full time for a period of approximately 8 weeks.

For each student supervised, the supervisor's department will be allocated a proportion of the T-JRAM associated with Year 2 of the student's course (usually a figure of c.£2000). Supervisors will also be able to claim for the equivalent of 8 hours of tutorial teaching (£205 for 2015-16) from the student's college.

Supervisors can advertise a project in the central allocations process or make a private arrangement with a student.

In order to help you advertise your project in the central allocation scheme we would need to receive your submissions by Monday 11 January 2016 (0th week, Hilary Term).

If you would be interested in offering a project please see

https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/3b0a4ae0-d48f-448b-bfd0-ad2084a7e397/Project_Supervision/

for further details or e-mail studentadmin@medsci.ox.ac.uk

Funding Opportunities

Oxford-UCB Prize Fellowship in Biomedical Research

3-year fully-funded Research Fellowship, plus £10,000 Prize. Now open for applications

We are pleased to announce that the **Oxford-UCB Prize Fellowship in Biomedical Research** is now open for applications. The scheme is aimed at attracting the very best early career postdocs and clinician scientists to Oxford and includes a £10,000 prize. Applicants will be expected to find a host laboratory in advance of applying and will carry out research in the following areas: **Epilepsy, Inflammation, Neuroinflammation, Immunomodulation, Fibrosis, Metabolic disease and disorders affecting Bone and/or Cartilage.**

The scheme is open now without a set deadline for applications. If you are interested in finding out more please visit the internal funding page <https://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/research/internal-research-funding/oxford-ucb-prize-fellowship-in-biomedical-research> and contact Oliver.voss@medsci.ox.ac.uk for more details.



NIHR Oxford BRC Call for New Research Programmes

The NIHR Oxford Biomedical Research Centre (BRC) is a partnership between the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust and the University of Oxford, funded by a competitive award from the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR). The next BRC funding competition is anticipated to take place in early 2016. We will be expected to demonstrate major progress resulting from the previous BRC award, and to propose major new Themes of research for the next 5 years.

The BRC Steering Committee invites **Expressions of Interest for new BRC Research Programmes** that will contribute to the future work of the BRC. This is an exciting opportunity to shape the research priorities of the BRC over the next 5 years, from 2017 onwards, by showcasing Oxford's outstanding scientific strengths in translational research. **Submission deadline: 20 November 2015**

Expressions of Interest for new BRC Research Programmes should fulfil the following criteria:

- Research which is innovative and builds upon Oxford's strengths and recent strategic developments or new senior appointments. Research which may be translated into improvements in healthcare, population health, reductions in healthcare costs and clinical outcomes
- Research which focuses on major healthcare challenges and translates advances in biomedical research into benefits for patients
- Research which extends the BRC's research portfolio into new areas e.g. cross-disciplinary, collaborative and involves novel applications of basic and/or physical and mathematical sciences
- Research which demonstrates collaboration with industry, or other NIHR Infrastructure (e.g. BRU, CLAHRC, DEC etc.)
- Proposals from a **group of researchers** with related and/or multidisciplinary interests and strong track record, rather than individual projects.

If you wish to submit an Expression of Interest, please include the following in two pages maximum, using a font style no smaller than 10 point:

- The names, affiliations and brief track record of the key researchers
- The title or name of the research programme or Theme
- Research context, background and importance
- Objectives of the outlined proposal and anticipated outcomes of the work

If your proposal aligns with the work of current BRC Theme(s), please discuss with the respective Theme Leader in the first instance (Details on the existing BRC Themes can be found on the BRC website <http://oxfordbrc.nihr.ac.uk/research-themes-overview/>)

The proposal must clearly demonstrate as listed in the criteria above **how the research will contribute to the competitiveness of the BRC in the upcoming funding competition, and to the productivity and impact of the BRC over the next 5 years.**

The BRC Steering Committee will assess the Expressions of Interest in order to identify proposals that will contribute to the Themes of the new BRC bid, in time for proposals to be presented at the BRC Steering Committee Away Day on 22 January 2016.

Please submit your proposals by 20 November 2015 and direct any queries regarding the call to Dr Vasiliki Kiparoglou:

vasiliki.kiparoglou@ouh.nhs.uk

NIHR Research Professorships

Deadline for expressions of interest Monday 25 November

The call for applications for the sixth round of NIHR Research Professorships has been announced. The competition for these is extremely

tight, since only five are typically awarded nationally, and there is a restriction to two applications per institution. Further information is available on the NIHR website:

<http://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/nihr-research-professorships-round-6.htm>

Potential applicants should register their interest as soon as possible. Those wishing to apply should submit a full draft application to research@medsci.ox.ac.uk by **midday on Wednesday 25 November**.

Final applications from the two selected applicants will need to be completed well in advance of the submission deadline of 16 December, to allow sufficient time for sign off by both the Medical Sciences Division and Hospital Trust.

Questions about the application process should be directed to research@medsci.ox.ac.uk.

Funding for open access publications arising from finished FP7 projects

The EC has recently launched a pilot fund for open access publications arising from finished FP7 projects. If you are an FP7 project coordinator or a partner and **if you are planning to publish a peer-reviewed article in a fully Open Access journal** after the end of the project you may be eligible for these funds.

This Gold OA Pilot has a €4m budget and will run for a maximum of two years or until such budget is exhausted. Note that it **does not allow retrospective claims** on fees already paid.

The Bodleian Libraries have registered as an institutional coordinator for Oxford applications against the pilot, and are set up on the OpenAIRE website. This allows them to submit publications on behalf of authors. They will do the necessary checking and after submitting the author will be informed by OpenAIRE of progress, publication and payment.

Funding is only available for fully Open Access publications. Find out more about the eligibility criteria and how to apply on the FP7 Post-Grant pilot page <http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/fp7-post-grant-open-access-pilot/>.

You can check if a journal is fully open access by looking it up on [DOAJ](#), the Directory of Open Access Journals.

Engagement Opportunities

Oxford Sparks Public Engagement Training

Michaelmas Term Timetable Announced
Podcast Your Science

12 Nov, 09.15 am – 12.15pm, IT Services

Summary

From inception to publication; this practical session is a whirlwind tour through the basics of how to share your research in an engaging manner through podcasting. The session will introduce approaches to podcasting and some of the basic technical skills of recording, editing and publishing audio files to get you started.

Objectives

- To increase and reinforce understanding of what podcasting is and its benefits in relation to communicating science to non-academics
- To increase and reinforce understanding of using narrative structure to script podcasts
- To increase understanding of how to record good quality audio
- To increase understanding of how to edit audio, including making use of music and sound effects
- To increase awareness of platforms for publishing podcast material

Register on WebLearn: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D004D101052>

Using Social Media to Communicate Your Research

7 Dec, 10.15–12.15, IT Services

Summary

It's not just cats and trolls; Social media has fast established itself as not only a tool to broadcast information, but also as a platform for discussion and debate. This session is an introduction to using social media tools to communicate your research effectively. We'll look at some strategies of how you can get started and manage your social media presence; ways different platforms are used and provide some real life examples of how other researchers have used social media. Finally, we'll explore how you can start to unravel the success, or otherwise, of your social media efforts.

Objectives

- To increase awareness of social media tools available
- To increase awareness of strategies to manage online presence
- To increase awareness of how to assess social media activity
- To increase awareness of examples of good practice around social media use

Register on WebLearn: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D004D101053>

Narrative and storytelling skills workshop

9 December 2015, 9am – 5.30pm, Mathematical Institute

Summary

Would you like to present your research to non-academic audiences in a way that is engaging and compelling?

This course will help you develop an understanding of what makes a great narrative or story and develop your communication skills for different non-academic audiences.

During this day-long session you will learn about storytelling and the components of narrative, and how to use these to effectively convey your research and its importance. Our innovative approach involves collaboration and conversations with peers in other disciplines to aid the development of your communication skills.

You will also have the opportunity to apply narrative and storytelling approaches to create and present your own research story and get feedback.

Objectives

- To increase understanding of the essential elements of a compelling narrative
- To increase understanding of how to draw an audience into a story and keep them involved
- To increase understanding of how to use narrative skills to make an effective 'pitch'
- To have the opportunity to develop a story/narrative based on your own research

Register on WebLearn: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40106>

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers wanted! Research Project: Perceptual Capacity in the Classroom

- Do you have an autistic, or non-autistic child aged 6–13 years old?
- Do you live in or around Oxford or London?

Researchers at the UCL Institute of Education, in collaboration with Oxford researchers, are investigating the way in which people with and without autism pay attention to different things in the classroom. They are doing this research to help understand more about the special skills and abilities of individuals with Autism Spectrum Condition.

The research involves two fun activities that take less than an hour in total.

- The first involves performing a series of puzzles that involve identifying the matching image from a set of images, and explaining the meaning of a set of words.
- The second is a computer-presented task in which your child will watch and listen to someone telling a story and will then answer questions about it at the end.

The session can be done at a time and location that is convenient to you, and local travel expenses will be reimbursed.

If you and your child are interested in taking part, or would like more information, please email Susanna O'Brien on

[✉susanna.obrien@seh.ox.ac.uk](mailto:susanna.obrien@seh.ox.ac.uk) or Dr Anna Remington on [✉a.remington@ioe.ac.uk](mailto:a.remington@ioe.ac.uk).

Healthy volunteers aged 18–45 needed

For a study investigating the effects of the antidepressant Bupropion on the processing of emotions

If you are healthy with no history of a psychological disorder, please contact Annabel for more information:

[✉annabel.walsh@psych.ox.ac.uk](mailto:annabel.walsh@psych.ox.ac.uk)

Time and expenses will be reimbursed.

The study involves taking a single dose of Bupropion.

Central University Research Ethics Committee: MSD-IDREC-C3-2014-004

Do you stutter?

Researchers at the Department of Experimental Psychology University of Oxford are seeking men who stutter for a Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS) study.

Volunteers should be male, right-handed and aged 18–50 years.

We are interested in whether tDCS can improve speech fluency. The study lasts 2 months and involves several visits to receive tDCS and fluency training. The study also involves magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). We will reimburse volunteers for their time and cover reasonable travel expenses. If you are interested in participating in this study or have any questions please contact Jennifer Chesters (tel: (01865) 271 363, Email: [✉jennifer.chesters@psy.ox.ac.uk](mailto:jennifer.chesters@psy.ox.ac.uk))

Study Title: Enhancing speech fluency with non-invasive brain stimulation in Developmental Stuttering

Research Ethics Project Number: MSD-IDREC-C2-2014-013

Speech MRI study

Researchers at the Department of Experimental Psychology University of Oxford are seeking participants for a speech study.

Volunteers should be male, right-handed and aged 18–50 years.

Volunteers will be a control group for a study investigating developmental stuttering. You will be asked to complete 2 sessions of magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and some speech tasks. We will reimburse volunteers for their time and cover reasonable travel expenses. If you are interested in participating in this study or have any questions please contact Jennifer Chesters (tel: (01865) 271 363, Email: [✉jennifer.chesters@psy.ox.ac.uk](mailto:jennifer.chesters@psy.ox.ac.uk)).

Study Title: Enhancing speech fluency with non-invasive brain stimulation in Developmental Stuttering

Research Ethics Project Number: MSD-IDREC-C2-2014-013

Do you, or young people you know, want to take part in the 'young people and skin conditions' project?

Researchers in the Health Experiences Research Group are looking for **young people aged 12–24** to interview about living with **acne, psoriasis or alopecia**.

The research will lead to the development of new sections on www.healthtalk.org, an award-winning website run by a national charity about real-life experiences of health and illness. The researcher is happy to travel to wherever participants are based in England to interview them

about their experiences of having one of these skin conditions.

To find out more about taking part or if you have any questions about the project, please contact Abi

McNiven: abigail.mcniven@phc.ox.ac.uk

Find out more: www.phc.ox.ac.uk/skins

18–35 year olds needed for EEG study

Participants are needed for a study into mirror neuron systems at the Department of Experimental Psychology, South Parks Road. The study includes some questionnaires, tests of imitation skill, and an EEG (electroencephalogram), which involves placing small sensors on the head to record brain wave activity. The study takes 2 hours in total, and participants are paid £20 for their time. Participants must be between ages 18–35, and have no known neurological conditions (e.g. epilepsy). If you are interested in taking part, there are slots available throughout September and term time. Please email hannah.buxton@psy.ox.ac.uk for more information and to book a slot.

Children and adolescents needed for study examining number skills and brain development

We are looking for children aged 6, 10 and 14 years and adolescents who are about to start studying for AS-levels to participate in a study examining number skills and brain development.

The study involves a safe brain scan using a Magnetic Resonance scanner (1.5 hours) and several puzzles and games (3 hours). These sessions will be repeated 18 Months to 2 years later.

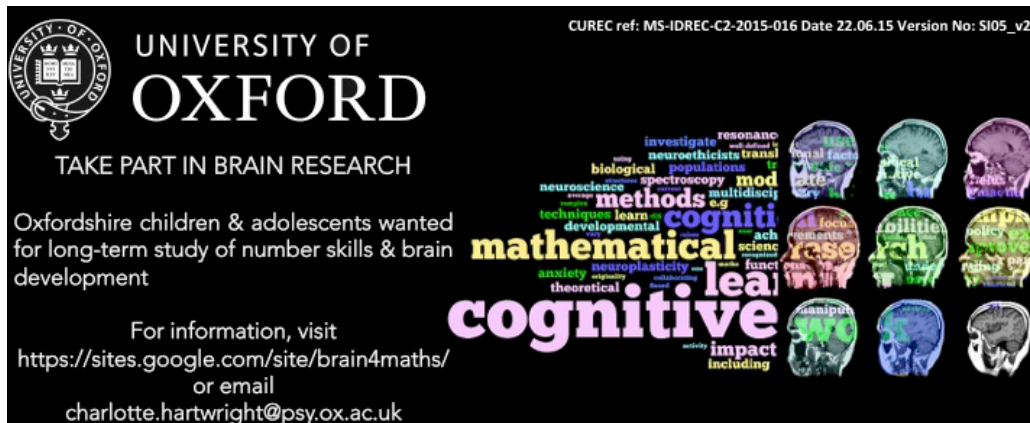
Participants will receive a small gift for taking part and reasonable travel expenses will be refunded.

The study is starting from August 2015.

For further details and study eligibility, please contact Dr Charlotte Hartwright & Dr Francesco Sella (charlotte.hartwright@psy.ox.ac.uk)

<https://sites.google.com/site/brain4maths/welcome>

CURED ref: MS-IDREC-C2_2015-016 Date 22.06.15 Version no: S105_v2



The poster features the University of Oxford logo and the text 'UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD TAKE PART IN BRAIN RESEARCH'. It includes a word cloud with terms like 'mathematical', 'cognitive', 'neuroscience', 'developmental', 'biological', 'methods', 'spectroscopy', 'mod', 'neuroethicists', 'brand', 'populations', 'tr', 'techniques', 'learn', 'cogniti', 'developmental', 'science', 'anxiety', 'neuroplasticity', 'theoretical', 'leal', 'impact', 'including'. There are also several brain scan images. The text 'Oxfordshire children & adolescents wanted for long-term study of number skills & brain development' is present, along with contact information: 'For information, visit https://sites.google.com/site/brain4maths/ or email charlotte.hartwright@psy.ox.ac.uk'. A reference number 'CURED ref: MS-IDREC-C2-2015-016 Date 22.06.15 Version No: S105_v2' is in the top right corner.

Towards the prevention of RSV: A major cause of infant death

A vaccine study involving healthy adults

You are invited to take part in a study investigating a new vaccine against Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV). The study is being run by the Oxford Vaccine Group which is part of the University of Oxford.

Please be in touch if you:

- are aged 18 to 45 years old and in good health
- are able to attend visits at the Churchill Hospital, Oxford
- are interested in preventing a major cause of global infant deaths



We will provide reimbursement for your time, inconvenience and travel. The total study participation time is 1 year.

Before you decide whether you would like to take part, it is important for you to understand exactly what the study is about and what participation would involve.

If you would like to read more about the study and see if you are eligible to take part, please go to

Males 18–40 needed for study

Interested in the workings of the human brain? Want to help Research in Psychiatry?

We need healthy male non-smokers, aged between 18 and 40, for a study of the effect of a gene and a drug on the performance of simple computer tasks. Taking part is simple and involves:

- Providing a cheek swab – to see which form of a gene you have, if suitable you will then be invited to the lab
- Completion of some questionnaires
- Taking a single dose of a drug or dummy pill
- Carrying out simple reward tasks and tests of the processing of emotions



The study will take only 6 hours of your time for which you will be reimbursed.

INTERESTED? For more information, without any obligation, please email comt.study@psych.ox.ac.uk

University of Oxford, Department of Psychiatry, Neurosciences Building, Warneford Hospital

South Central – Berkshire Research Ethics Committee REF number: 14 SC 0035

The Oxford Vaccine Centre Healthy Volunteers Database

The Oxford Vaccine Centre is one of the largest clinical trial groups in the UK, conducting studies of new vaccines against key global diseases including malaria, tuberculosis, HIV, meningitis, typhoid and hepatitis C.

Healthy volunteers interested in taking part in Oxford Vaccine Centre clinical trials can be added to a database to receive regular updates of studies currently recruiting volunteers at the Oxford Vaccine Centre. If you would like to be added to this database, please see <http://www.ovg.ox.ac.uk/lists/?p=subscribe>



Other Items of Interest

Clinical DPhil Paths: 2015 survey live and partner universities on board!

Clinical DPhil Paths is an OUCAGS study about the career plans of clinical DPhil students. This year, UCL and Birmingham University are joining in, too.

Clinical DPhil Paths is an [OUCAGS](#) study about the career plans of clinical DPhil students. It will run until 2017-18 to follow the development of clinicians' career plans during and beyond their DPhil.

The study's emerging findings are informing OUCAGS' approach to post-doctoral clinical academic careers. This includes the organisation of careers seminars for Oxford clinical DPhil students, and the choice of content for OUCAGS' recently-launched [new website](#).

This year, UCL and the University of Birmingham are joining forces with OUCAGS in a census of clinical doctoral students. So, it will also be possible to compare findings and draw up a wider picture of the intended career paths of clinical doctoral students across the three institutions.

More about Clinical DPhil Paths: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/JTyjI9>



Oxford Immunology Group (OIG) Post Day Day

Thursday 12th November 2015, 12:00 – 17:00 (coffee from 11:30), WIMM Seminar Room

The event is directed at Post-docs working in immunology at Oxford, but everyone from the University is welcome. This time we have a very special set of guest speakers talking about:

- **Grant writing** from a medical director's perspective – **Professor Alan Silman** (Arthritis Research UK's medical director for 8 years)
- Career options for PhD holders: a **patent attorney** and a **medical/scientific writer** will be sharing their experiences
- **Techniques:** genomics, CRISPR technology and imaging

Registration is free and open to all: <http://oig-post-doc-day.eventbrite.co.uk>

Annual Oxford Developmental Biology Symposium

Friday 11 December 2015. Medical Sciences Teaching Centre, South Parks Road.

This year's Developmental Biology Symposium will include local Oxford speakers alongside external speakers Wendy Bickmore (MRC Human Genetics Unit MRC IGMM, University of Edinburgh Western General Hospital), James Briscoe (The Crick Institute, London) and Makoto Furutani-Seiki a visiting associate professor (University of Bath).

There will be a **poster session** during the lunch break and with drinks and nibbles at the end of the talks. If you are interested in presenting a poster please submit a title, authors including status of presenting author (student, post-doc, PI), which group, affiliation and abstract (max 200 words) to [Linda Roberts](#) as soon as possible or by **19 November** to enable us to judge numbers. If the demand is high we will have to make a selection and will let people know as soon as possible. Poster size: A0 portrait (85cm by 115cm).

If you would like to attend this meeting, please contact [Linda Roberts](#) for a registration form. The deadline for registration is **Tuesday 27 November**.

The meeting will run from approximately 9.30am–4.40pm followed by drinks and nibbles. Coffee, lunch and tea will be provided.

Registration is £10. A purchase order raised to the University of Oxford (Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine) is preferred as payment, however if you are unable to provide this, please send a cheque made payable to University of Oxford to:

Linda Roberts

MRC, Molecular Haematology Unit,

University of Oxford

Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine,

John Radcliffe Hospital,

Headington, Oxford, OX3 9DS.

If you are unable to raise a PO number quickly please send in your registration form without it and send the number as soon as you can

[Map showing the location of the Medical Sciences Teaching Centre](#)

Crossing Boundaries 2 – Health Research Relevant to LMIC Across Oxford's Disciplines and Divisions

Tuesday 8th December, 2015, 08.30 to 18.00. Said Business School. Registration deadline 13 November.

Purpose

- To showcase the diversity and quality of Health Research being undertaken in or relevant to improving health in Low and Middle Income Countries' that is linked to Oxford
- To illustrate the range of disciplines engaged in supporting the development of LMIC health systems and to promote multi-disciplinary collaborations.
- To showcase Oxford's DPhil Research in Global Health

Programme

Sessions will combine keynote speakers and highlights from current work and cover:

- Epidemic Research
- The Global Health Network
- Social Interventions
- Healthcare Innovations & mHealth
- Patient Experiences
- Ethics in Global Health Research
- Global Issues in Nursing
- Health Service Delivery
- Governance and Accountability
- Health Informatics & Learning Health Systems

Sessions will be delivered by experts from:

The Nuffield Department of Medicine; The Department of Education; The Institute of Biomedical Engineering; The Department of Primary Health Care; The Ethox Centre; The Department of Clinical Healthcare Brookes University; The Department of Social Policy and Intervention.

Registration

Costs £30 or £20 for students. Places limited, to book a place visit Oxford University Stores at link below before 13 November:

http://www.oxforduniversitystores.co.uk/browse/extra_info.asp?compid=1&modid=2&catid=116&prodid=419.

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust Research Day 'What can research do for you'

16 December 2015. All welcome

Time: 10am – 4.30pm

Location: McInnes Room, Warneford Hospital.

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust is hosting a research day, a chance for anyone interested in hearing about research within the trust.

Come along for the whole day or pop in and out to talks of interest.

An overview of the day's topics;

- An introduction to The Clinical Record Interactive Search (CRIS)
- 'A strategy for involving patients and the wider public in research: Beyond ticking the box'
- 'How can we materially help busy mental health professionals keep up to date with the latest research findings' more on Mental Elf
- A chance to hear about the activities at Oxford Mindfulness
- Future development for mental health research within the trust
- More on research projects that have changed our practice from the WHELD project to ketamine for depression and OCTET.

Programme:

10.00– 10.10 Welcome and introduction

Professor John Geddes, Director of Research & Development

Putting research into practice

10.10– 11.10 The use of electronic health records for research – The CRIS system

Tanya Smith, CRIS Coordinator

11.10– 11.40 Mindfulness-based interventions, promise but no panacea

Dr Willem Kuyken

11.40– 12.00 Medical research in a mental health setting

Dr Valeria Frighi

12.00– 12.30 Break for lunch, networking and posters

12.30– 13.00 The WHELD Project: Well being and Health for People with Dementia

Dr Jane Fossey

13.00– 13.30 Ketamine for treatment resistant depression

Dr Rupert McShane

13.30– 14.00 Measuring experienced coercion in mental health care – developing a new way forwards

Dr Andrew Molodynski

14.00– 14.15 Refreshments

The wider research community

14.15– 15.15

- An Oxford RCT of treatment for personality disorder and other curiosities – Dr Steve Pearce
- Integrating research into community mental health – Maninder Kaur and Bradley Mullins
- How can we materially help busy mental health professionals keep up to date with the latest research findings? – Andrea Cipriani and Leah Marriner

15.15– 16.15 A strategy for involving patients and the wider public in research: Beyond ticking the box

Professor Ilina Singh and Dr Mary Jane Attenburrow

16.15– 16.30 Close and review of the day

Emma Stratful, Head of Research & Development

*There will be information and posters on display covering research studies and activities within OHFT

Please note that the McInnes room is not wheelchair accessible

If you would like to register your interest please email [✉MentalHealth.Research@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:MentalHealth.Research@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk)

<http://oxford.crf.nihr.ac.uk/>

Biostars Kick-Start Workshop

Launch of Biotech Business Competition, 14 November 10am – 5.30pm, Saïd Business School

Oxford Biotech is a professionally-driven biotech communication and transfer platform, bridging the gap between academia, industry and government. The flagship programme Biostars has opened nationwide and is aimed at enabling the bio-entrepreneurs of tomorrow to turn their scientific ideas into commercial products.



Join Oxford Biotech at the Saïd Business School on Saturday 14 November to hear about the

launch of BioStars and how to take part. Everyone is welcome, however this event will be particularly relevant to postgraduate/MBA students, academic staff, industry professionals and budding entrepreneurs.

Be part of an exciting innovative development that will give you a chance to turn a bright idea into reality! A drinks reception will be held following the session, which will serve as an ideal opportunity to network with like-minded individuals.

For more details and to register [click here](#).

Programme

- 09.00–10.00 – Registration opens
- 10.00–10.15 – Introduction, Mina Bekheet (President and Founder, OB)
- 10.15–10.30 – Innovation and biotechnology, Dr Wen Hwa Lee (Strategic Alliances Manager, SGC)
- 10.30–11.30 – From idea to company, Stefan Vilsmeier (CEO and Founder, Brain lab)
- 11.30–12.00 – Networking break
- 12.00–12.30 – The BioStars business plan competition, Dr Vinton Cheng (Project Manager, OB)
- 12.30 – 13.30 – How to write a successful biotech business plan, Dr Barbara Domayne-Hayman (CBO, Autifony Therapeutics)
- 13.30–15.00 – Lunch
- 15.00–16.00 – Guest speaker, TBC
- 16.00–16.15 – Closing remarks, Mina Bekheet (President and Founder, OB)
- 16.15–17.30 – Drinks reception and networking

OB360 Bio-Entrepreneurship Programme

Evening seminars on entrepreneurship. November 2015 – February 2016

Oxford Biotech is offering a groundbreaking bio-entrepreneurship course aimed directly at the UK's top scientists and budding entrepreneurs. The OB 360 Programme will be a high impact series of evening seminars given by world renowned industry and academic leaders. Each seminar will introduce and develop core skills necessary to succeed in the business world and over time will augment the scientific skills of attendees with entrepreneurial flair and acumen.



To register, view the programme and for more information [click here](#).

Carbon Innovation Programme

Staff and students: Submit your carbon reduction idea for a chance to win a Carbon Innovator Award

In 2011, the University of Oxford set an ambitious target, as part of our Carbon Management Strategy, to reduce Scope 1 and 2 carbon emissions by 33% by the end of 2020/21 (against a 2005/6 baseline). Scope 1 and 2 emissions include direct emissions from fuel combustion or vehicles, and indirect emissions from purchased electricity, heat or steam.

The Carbon Innovation Programme is an opportunity for students and staff at the University of Oxford to generate unique ideas for carbon reduction across the University's Functional Estate. Teams or individuals have the opportunity to receive full funding to deliver their innovative carbon saving projects over the coming academic year (2015/16).

This programme is being delivered by the [Estates Services Environmental Sustainability team](#), the [Environmental Change Institute \(ECI\)](#) and NEST.

Teams/individuals are supported through the initial process of generating a viable business case for an innovative project, service or product that can be applied to a specific area of the functional estate in order to generate carbon savings.

Teams then present their proposals to the [judging panel](#) in December, where funding will be allocated to the best projects.

The team or individual responsible for the most successful projects is awarded a Carbon Innovator Award in April 2016.

For more information on the scheme and how to get involved visit the Carbon Innovation Programme [website](#)

Innovation in the NHS

30 November, Lecture Theatre 2, John Radcliffe Hospital

Calling all students, clinicians, academics and entrepreneurs! Do you have an innovative idea for healthcare but don't know how to get started? **Innovation Forum Oxford** is hosting a free symposium on **Innovation in the NHS** on the 30th November in Lecture Theatre 2 at the John Radcliffe Hospital. The evening will include:

- Expert talks on how to commercialise ideas within the NHS from the perspective of clinicians, academics and industry.
- Advice on where to find financial and practical support, as well as case studies from previous successful innovations.
- A free drinks reception, where you will have the opportunity to network with other healthcare professionals, scientists, academics, members of industry and investors.

This will be a fantastic opportunity to build links between industry, academia and the NHS; we hope you will be able to join us.

For further information, the full programme and to register, please visit <http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/innovation-in-the-nhs-tickets-18866408937>

Tickets now available for the 76th annual Tingewick Panto

Running from 25th – 28th November, curtains up at 7:30 pm

The Tingewick Society is proud to present the 76th annual Tingewick Pantomime:

IV for Vendetta, or, Joan of the JR

Where: Tingewick Hall, John Radcliffe Hospital

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1643111935961680/>

For tickets, please see <http://tinyurl.com/IVforvendetta>

You will be able to book a maximum of 6 FREE tickets per show (4 on Friday) and must provide the names of each of your guests if you are booking more than one ticket. Please download a copy to your phone or print your ticket and bring this with you on the night, as we'll be scanning you in. If you have any problems drop me a message at publicity@tingewick.org. Similarly if you want to book more tickets get in touch.

Friday night's performance will be followed by a bop in Osler House.

This year we are raising money for the Silver Line and Mind your Head, and we encourage you to donate generously.

MedComms Careers event

14 January, Medical Sciences Teaching Centre

This will be the tenth such event NetworkPharma have run in Oxford and they have more than proven the value now of gathering together the leading agencies to talk about opportunities in the business. If you're wondering whether the events are worthwhile, earlier this year [a host of comments](#) from individuals who had successfully made the transition into MedComms following these events.

The completed the line-up of agencies in attendance include: **7.4 Limited, Ashfield Healthcare Communications, BioScience Communications Darwin Healthcare Communications, Fishawack Group, Highfield Communications, McCann Complete Medical Group, Oxford PharmaGenesis, Porterhouse Medical and The Prime Medical Group**. That means the opportunity for attendees to meet at least 30–40 MedComms specialists who are happy to chat about the business and career opportunities.

The event is entirely free of charge and anyone is welcome to attend no matter how many times they have done so before. The organisers advice to jobseekers is always very simple; "*Grab as many opportunities as you can to talk to as many people as you can. Whether you are looking to start now or in three years' time, the more you understand MedComms and the related businesses the more likely you will get the job that best suits you.*"

For more details and to register, please see <http://www.medcommsnetworking.com/oxford16.html>