



SAIS NEWSLETTER MARCH 15th, 2019

Dear SAIS members,

Below, please find this week's newsletter.

FUNDING CALLS, CONFERENCES, WEBINARS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII-th Conference of the South African Immunology Society - abstract submission deadline extended

Please see more details below.

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VIIth Conference of the South African Immunology Society
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Synergy in Immunology

18 – 20 June 2019

aha Gateway hotel, Umhlanga, Kwa Zulu Natal, South Africa
Please join us at one of the most beautiful coastal villages in the world

IMPORTANT DATES
22 March 2019 - Abstract submission closes
10 May 2019 - Early bird registration closes

To register or submit an abstract please visit: www.sais-bookings.co.za

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VII-th Conference of the South African Immunology Society - Pre Conference Workshop - Immunology 101 - 17 June 2019

Monday, 17 June - 13:00-18:30. For more details, please visit <https://lnkd.in/dkqjTM2>.

PhD Fellowships for Women Scientists from Science and Technology Lagging Countries - open call for applications, deadline 30 May 2019

The Fellowship is offered to women scientists from Science and Technology Lagging Countries (STLCs) to undertake PhD research in the Natural, Engineering and Information Technology sciences at a host institute in the South. Please find more details here: <https://lnkd.in/drqm9dq>.

Applications now open for Inspiring and Innovating Science Awards 2019 (organized by Nature Research and The Estée Lauder Companies)

Awards support the achievements of women in science and initiatives promoting STEM subjects to girls and young women. Please visit <https://lnkd.in/dV2YibS> for more information.



Call for applications - OWSD Early Career Fellowship - deadline for submission: 30 April 2019

The OWSD Early Career Fellowship is a prestigious award of up to USD 50,000 offered to women who have completed their PhDs in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects and are employed at an academic or scientific research institute in one of the listed Science and Technology Lagging Countries (STLCs). Please visit <https://lnkd.in/gGzJR8D> for more information.

East African Research in Progress 2019 - 26-28 September 2019 - Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre, Moshi, Tanzania

Submissions will open on 17 April and close on 15 June 2019. This meeting is designed specifically for early career investigators to present their unpublished research in progress to peers and senior experts in all fields of tropical medicine and global health. Please find more details here: <https://lnkd.in/gRVzvZP>.

African Career Accelerator Awards - Round 3 call - for applications

The Crick African Network's African Career Accelerator (CAN ACA) awards will provide fellowship support for African postdoctoral researchers (or non-African citizens with permanent residency status) who are aiming to make the transition to becoming an independent researcher and launching their own research group. <https://lnkd.in/guThEXk>. Expressions of interest: opens 1 February, closes 1 April. Full applications: opens 1 February, closes 1 May 2019.

HIV and ID Observations - highlights from the 2019 Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, which took place in Seattle, USA on March 4-7

<https://lnkd.in/gv7httM>.

BactiVac Catalyst Training Awards - an open call (applications are welcome at any time)

Catalyst funding is available to support training opportunities and exchanges, prioritizing those involving LMIC members and academic/industrial partners, for the transfer of knowledge and skills in bacterial vaccinology. <https://lnkd.in/g8mX9BH>.

PUBLICATIONS and INTERESTING READS:

Mobile platform for rapid sub-picogram-per-milliliter, multiplexed, digital droplet detection of proteins

New mobile platform for detection of picogram quantities of proteins in blood. <https://lnkd.in/g-E9DNI>.

Ebola in the DRC: the race is on between research and the virus

<https://lnkd.in/g38Yrfd>.

Revealing the gut's B-cell training program may point to new means of developing oral vaccines

https://lnkd.in/dmr_2Ph.

HIV Drug Shows Promise for Treating Ulcerative Colitis Patients

A small molecule drug, developed by the company Abivax for treating HIV, has also shown promise for patients with the inflammatory bowel disease ulcerative colitis, reducing the disease severity consistently for over six months. <https://lnkd.in/dUYDD6j>.

Lab in South African "Township" to Sample TB from Breathed Air

A new facility located in a congested community with high tuberculosis rates brings basic science and cutting edge techniques into the heart of disease circulation. <https://lnkd.in/dBx2maP>.

Violence propels Ebola outbreak towards 1,000 cases

Surging conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo is hampering efforts to stamp out the virus. <https://lnkd.in/dgMVSB>.



Global monitoring of antimicrobial resistance based on metagenomics analyses of urban sewage (open access)

<https://lnkd.in/gPcRBRa>.

Largest ever HIV prevention study delivers sobering message

<https://lnkd.in/gchMGcD>.

Genome wide analysis for mouth ulcers identifies associations at immune regulatory loci (open access)

The authors have linked mouth ulcers to the immune system: <https://lnkd.in/g7Piv7u>.

JOBS and POSITIONS

The Biomedical Research and Innovation Platform (BRIP) of the SAMRC is looking for a Senior Scientist

Senior Scientist (Competent) Permanent Position in the Cape Town office; **deadline** for applications - **18 March**.

Please find more details here: <https://lnkd.in/dNKiW5Y>.

Thank you to our sponsors for the VII-th Conference of the South African Immunology Society in June 2019:



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Kind regards

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