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RESEARCH NEWS



OCDEM is delighted to announce that Professor Anna Gloyn has been awarded a renewal of her Wellcome Trust Senior Fellowship. Professor Fredrik Karpe Head of OCDEM said "This is a phenomenal achievement – only a small proportion of such fellowships are actually renewed. Congratulations to Anna, OCDEM is proud of you and we are delighted your research is, and will be, flourishing"

Congratulations to Dr Quan Zhang who has received funding from John Fell for his project Membrane potential independent regulation of glucagon secretion from the pancreatic alpha-cells

Dr Kerry McLaughlin was successful with her application for a JDRF Advanced Postdoctoral Fellowship and will be joining the Rorsman group in June.

MEDICAL GRAND ROUNDS

Thursday 21st April from 13:00 to 14:00

John Radcliffe Academic (Lecture Theatre 1), Headington OX3 9DU



Oncology /Radiology

Oncology: "Trials and Protibes: Chemotherapy for the 21st Century?" – Dr Victoria Woodcock and Prof Sarah Blagden

Radiology: "The pulmonary nodule, friend or foe?" – Dr Ambika Tawar

Chair: Prof Hugh Watkins

Booking: Not required

Audience: Members of the University and NHS clinical staff

SEMINARS

Wednesday Seminar

There is no Wednesday seminar this week.

Friday Seminar

This week's Friday seminar organised by the OCDEM Senior Academic Faculty will include 2 talks:

Dr Agata Juszczak "Assessment and translation of biomarkers for diagnosis of maturity onset diabetes of the young due to HNF1A mutations" and Dr Ioannis Spiliotus "Low-dose glibenclamide in T2DM"

The talk will begin promptly at 1pm in the Robert Turner Lecture Theatre and sandwiches for those attending will be available from 12:45

Dear All,

The OCDEM Friday Seminar Series returns for Trinity Term 2016 on the 22nd April.

As always we have a really interesting and diverse set of speakers lined up, please find attached the current program. Any changes or amendments to this schedule that may occur as the term progresses can be found on the OCDEM website <http://www.ocdem.ox.ac.uk/ocdem-friday-seminar-series>. Weekly seminar announcements will be made via the OCDEM bulletin.

We would like to thank Dr Margarita Chibalina who has been chairing the Friday Seminar Series over the last year. Margarita is now stepping down from this position and will be replaced by Dr Charlotte Green who will help to chair the Friday Seminars from Trinity Term 2016, along with Dr Maja Todorcevic.

The OCDEM Friday Seminar Series is supported by an unrestricted educational grant from the Boehringer-Ingelheim and Eli Lilly Alliance.

We really look forward to seeing you all at this term's Friday Seminar Series.

Best wishes,

Sarah Cross

On behalf of the OCDEM Senior Academic Faculty (SAF)



RDM CAREER DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE



The RDM Career Development Committee (CDC) aims to support the career development of all staff and students across RDM. The CDC plays a key role in raising awareness of career opportunities across the department, in providing training and support at key career transitions (e.g. postdoc to independent researcher) and in championing career development. The CDC reports to the Athena Swan Steering Group and will be responsible for delivering a number of actions in the Athena Swan Silver Action Plan.

The CDC is chaired by Professor Leanne Hodson, Associate Professor of Diabetes and Metabolism (OCDEM). The CDC membership is balanced across the Divisions within RDM and also represents people from all staff grouping within the Department - [list of CDC members](#). It also has a representative from each of the Career groups from the Divisions:

- Vanessa Ferreria represents the CVM Early Career Researcher group
- Tom Milne represents the WIMM Postdoc Committee
- Laura Gathercole represents the OCDEM Senior Academic Faculty

By structuring the CDC in this way, we hope that local ideas and priorities will be fed up to the CDC. Alternatively, if you have any questions or ideas for the CDC, please feel free to email them to athena.swan@rdm.ox.ac.uk. The first meeting of the CDC was held in September 2015 and the committee plans to meet 5 -6 times per year. Minutes from the meetings will be made available on the RDM website.

UNCONSCIOUS BIAS AND EQUALITY & DIVERSITY TRAINING

RDM is making Unconscious Bias and Equality & Diversity online training mandatory for all staff.

Please follow the links below to access the courses:

- [Introducing and exploring unconscious bias](#) (takes approx. 15 mins)
- [Equality and diversity](#) (takes approx. 30 mins)

All staff are required to complete the two training modules by 1 May 2016. Staff who have already completed these online courses in the last three years or attended a training session on Unconscious Bias are not required to complete the same training again. Staff who have completed the NHS Equality & Diversity training course in the past three years and are able to provide evidence to their local personnel officers are also exempt. Please note that in order for the system to register that you have completed these courses, it is essential to get to the very last screen before exiting the modules. On this screen, you will be able to select the option to print a certificate and we encourage you to print a copy for your records. If you have any specific queries about the training, please contact Charlotte or Aleks, who will be able to advise you further.

A University of Oxford BME Staff Network Event



Success in the Academy

Successful BME leaders share their personal and professional journeys

A panel discussion to promote the aspirations of Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) staff

4 May 2016

SPEAKERS

Professor Xin Lu

Director of Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Oxford

Professor Karma Nabulsi

*Politics and International Relations
St Edmund Hall*

Dr George Okafo

Board of Directors GlaxoSmithKlein

Ms Abbie Muchecheti

Senior HR Advisor

Inorganic Chemistry

Time: 2 – 4 pm, refreshments 4 pm onwards
Venue: Inorganic Chemistry, South Parks Road, OX1 3QR
Tickets: FREE
Booking: Essential- successinacademy.eventbrite.com



NEW NIHR Funding Opportunities

The following new funding opportunities are available:

Health Services and Delivery Research Programme

- 16/47 - Call for Expressions of Interest: Production of Evidence Syntheses for the HS&DR Programme

[Find out more](#)

Health Services and Delivery Research Programme

16/48 – Evaluating the NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme (NHS DPP)

[Find out more](#)

Health Technology Assessment Programme

16/31 - Researcher-led, Expression of interest to Full

- 16/32 - Researcher-led, Evidence synthesis, Full

[Find out more](#)

Invention for Innovation Programme

12th call for Product Development Awards

[Find out more](#)

Public Health Research Programme

- 16/37 - Researcher-led outline proposal
- 16/38 - Evidence synthesis full proposal

[Find out more](#)



Free briefing session

The Health Services and Delivery Research Programme are hosting a free briefing session for applicants interested in applying to **16/48 - Evaluating the NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme (NHS DPP)** as follows:

When: Thursday 5 May 2016 (afternoon)

Where: Central London

Register: Email Sam Watson at HSDRinfo@soton.ac.uk

[Find out more](#)



Other NIHR funding opportunities

For a list of all current NIHR funding opportunities, please visit the NIHR website.

[View all funding opportunities](#)

Have you had the BCG vaccine?

We are looking for volunteers in the Oxford area for a trial comparing the current TB vaccine, BCG, given by injection with BCG given as an aerosol.

If you are aged 18-50, in good health, have never received BCG and have not taken part in a trial where TB trial vaccines have been used, you may be eligible to participate.

Volunteers will be reimbursed for their time and travel expenses.

Email: vaccinetrials@ndm.ox.ac.uk

Or visit our website for more information and to register your interest:

<https://www.trialspark.com/trials/tb041>

A response to this advertisement will be recorded, but carries no obligation. If you volunteer, you can

withdraw at any time from the trial. Your GP will be informed if you take part in any study.



“Efficient Cycling in Oxford and Headington

26 April, 1pm-2pm

[Lecture Theatre 2, Academic Centre, JR Hospital](#)

Booking not required, just turn up on the day.

Whether you’re an experienced cycle commuter or have never ridden on two wheels, there’s something for everyone in this engaging talk. Sam Chappell, an experienced cyclist and trainer of [Bikeability](#), will be giving two presentations on effective, safe, and enjoyable cycling. He will explain how to efficiently negotiate bus, car, and pedestrian traffic, how to position yourself on the road, how to work around other cyclists, and how to cycle more easily anywhere in the world. Afterwards, you will have the opportunity to sign up for practical sessions where an experienced cycle training instructor from [Broken Spoke](#) will review your road skills one-on-one or teach you how to balance for the first time.

<https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/estates/ourservices/environment/getinvolved/eventsandtraining/#d.en.229415>”

Kind regards,

Ed Wigzell

Travel Officer, Sustainability Team

Confirmation of OCDEM Health Champions Workshop 2: Yoga Class:



25th April

13.00-14.00 Robert Turner Lecture Theatre.

Sue Baldwin, a Dru Yoga teacher will be running a gentle taster class that can be done sitting or standing focusing on relieving tension in the neck shoulders and back. Thanks to the support of the Health and Fitness Department and OCDEM University Athena Swan there will be no charge for participating in this class.

If you have already booked a place to attend this is now confirmed, we have a few spaces left so please let us know if you wish to attend: louise.dennis@ocdem.ox.ac.uk

Note: do not eat a heavy meal before attending, bring a bottle of water, something warm to put on for the relaxation and wear loose comfortable clothes.

Tour D'OCDEM: Team OCDEM have reached Windsor Castle and are on the way back to OCDEM already! Well done to all those who are cycling and if you have yet to jump on the bike you can find it outside the Fellows Room! Looks like the competition is on for the OCDEM yellow jersey!

