



## FOR UNIVERSITY STAFF

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### SEMINARS

#### WEDNESDAY SEMINAR

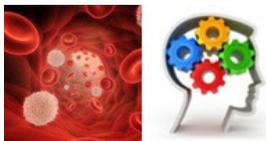
There is no Wednesday seminar this week

#### FRIDAY SEMINAR

This week's Friday seminar organised by the OCDEM Senior Academic Faculty will be a talk by Dr Ernesto Maddaloni of the University of Rome on **"Are there differential risks of macrovascular and/or microvascular complications in patients who have LADA or type 2 diabetes?"** The talk will begin promptly at 1pm in the Robert Turner Lecture Theatre and sandwiches for those attending will be available from 12:45

#### MEDICAL GRAND ROUNDS

Thursday 30 May from 13:00 to 14:00  
John Radcliffe Hospital, Lecture Theatre



**Haematology:** "RSV and other viruses post bone marrow transplantation", Dr Andy Peniket  
**Psychological Medicine:** "Stones, Bones, Moans, and psychic Groans – the neuropsychiatric complications of hypercalcaemia", Dr Susan Shaw  
Chair: Prof Hugh Watkins

#### EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT SEMINAR

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May from 12:00 to 13:00  
New Radcliffe House Radcliffe Observatory Quarter Woodstock Road  
**" All p-values should be banned (and other norms you can ignore)"** by Dr Daniel Lakens of Eindhoven University of Technology

#### OXFORD RUG – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

St Peter's College, New Inn Hall Street, Oxford  
MixOmics: integrating multiple "omic" datasets in R – Dr Toryn Poolman  
Pizza and Wine will be provided.

For more info see <https://secure.meetup.com/register/?ctx=ref>



## **CO-DIRECTOR OF DTU/HEAD OF DTU CLINICAL TRIALS UNIT**

E82: £77,913 - £105,042 p.a.

OCDEM has an extraordinary opportunity for a research leader of the highest calibre, as we seek to appoint a Co-director for the Diabetes Trial Unit (DTU). This is a senior academic research leadership position providing vision and direction for research collaborators and colleagues in the DTU, the Oxford Centre for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism (OCDEM), and the wider University. Working closely with the other co-director of DTU (to be appointed) you will further develop the DTU as an internationally renowned and highly successful clinical diabetes research group.

Your particular responsibility will be to lead large scale clinical trials in the diabetes area, which involves all key roles from initiating, running and concluding such trials. You will contribute to the fulfilment of the DTU's vision by strengthening its research culture, developing new research initiatives, and representing the DTU in print and in person. You will be a member of the OCDEM Management Board, the governing body of the OCDEM.

You will have a medical degree and relevant research experience in clinical diabetes research. You will have clinical practice experience and full GMC registration. You will have proven experience in designing and conducting trials in diabetes and or/cardiovascular disease including a track record of successful publications in these respective areas. You will also have experience of teaching medical, MSc or DPhil students.

This is a full-time appointment and the post is funded for 5 years in the first instance.

Owing to the nature of this position, any offer of employment with the University will be subject to a satisfactory disclosure report from the Criminal Records Bureau and an honorary contract with the NHS.

Informal enquiries can be made to Fredrik Karpe, email: [fredrik.karpe@ocdem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:fredrik.karpe@ocdem.ox.ac.uk).

You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement.

The closing date for applications is 12.00 midday on 7 June 2019



### **CLINICAL RESEARCH TRAINING FELLOW**

Grade E64: £32,569 - £52,200 p.a.

The Oxford Centre for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism (OCDEM) has an exciting role in the group of Professor Thakker, FRS, for an experienced and qualified clinician to undertake a laboratory based DPhil project identifying novel epigenetic drug targets for pancreatic cancers.

The work will be focused on performing basic science techniques to examine the epigenetic landscape of exocrine and endocrine pancreatic tumours. This will identify common or inverse signatures regulating the expression of proliferation-associated genes that can subsequently be targeted using epigenetic modulating drugs. This role offers the postholder the opportunity to develop an understanding of pancreatic cancer biology, and learn diverse state-of-the-art scientific laboratory techniques, in an academic environment.

The post would suit trainees specialising in endocrinology, oncology, pathology, gastroenterology or endocrine surgery, interested in pursuing a clinical-academic career.

Applicants must be qualified with an MBBS level or equivalent, fully registered with GMC and permitted to practice medicine in the UK. Applicants will ideally have commenced or completed Core Medical Training or a medical specialty equivalent, with MRCP (or equivalent). Motivation to complete a DPhil, excellent communication skills, and the desire to pursue a career in academic medicine are essential for this post.

The post is fixed-term for 3 years full time.

Please quote vacancy number 140696 in all correspondence.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 4 June 2019 can be considered.



Congratulations to Prof David Ray who has received funding from the Oxford NIHR Biomedical Research Centre Chronic Disease Cluster for his project “Sleep Improvement for Metabolic Health – Feasibility Trial”



Staff and colleagues past and present gathered in the Lecture Theatre last Monday to wish Professor Mark McCarthy all the best for his move to the United States. Mark is taking up a post as Senior Director of Human Genetics at Genetech. Mark was appointed as the first Robert Turner Professor of Diabetic Medicine in OCDEM back in May 2002.



The OxLip group welcomed Jessica Mendall a FHS student last week who will be working with Professor Leanne Hodson



The three hour emergency light testing will take place in OCDEM Phase 2 on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2019 commencing at 08:00. During the period of the test, those areas that do not have access to outside natural light might remain darker than normal

# ***Parent/Carers Group***

## ***Next session***

***Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 11.30am***

*Do you have questions or want to share information/experiences with fellow parents/carers?*

*The parent/carers group is a useful way for staff to share tips and advice. All staff are welcome to attend.*

**11:30am  
Large Seminar Room**

To sign up contact  
[ocdem.personnel@ndm.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ocdem.personnel@ndm.ox.ac.uk)





It's Pippin Doughnuts time again. They will be delivered on Thursday and the flavours this month are as follows:

Mixed berry jam

Chocolate

Vanilla custard

Cinnamon and brown sugar

Butterscotch and hazelnut

Chocolate and coconut

Lemon curd

Rhubarb and custard

Cider apple and cinnamon

The price is £1.10 per doughnut. If you/your group wants to put in an order can you please provide Karen Parish with the details by **10.00 am today Tuesday** along with the relevant money. Karen will take delivery of the doughnuts on the day.

## HEALTH AND WELLBEING



### YOGA IN THE WORK PLACE:

**Dru Yoga with Louise:** The aim of **Dru Yoga** is simple, to help relieve the enormous stresses and pressures of modern-day living. It is designed to be practised by people of all abilities, all fitness levels and all age groups, it is a style of yoga that can be quickly dipped into or learnt in more depth over a lifetime.

Please bring a mat to these classes as I will be introducing some postures where we will sit or lie on the floor.

**13.00-14.00 Robert Turner Lecture Theatre**

28<sup>th</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> June, 11<sup>th</sup> June, 18<sup>th</sup> June & 25<sup>th</sup> June

# OCDEM Gazebo design Competition

We are looking for 3 designs to add to a Gazebo that will be used for various OCDEM public engagement events. The purpose of the Gazebo will then not only be to shelter and contain the public engagement activities but also to act as an educational tool itself.

All members of OCDEM are welcome to provide one or more designs, which will be judged by a panel: the best design for each category will receive a £25 Amazon voucher. **Entry Deadline Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Designs should be simple and informative to the general public\*. There are 3 categories (see Gazebo possible layout below):

- 1) An image of the human body, possibly with detachable organ images that can be placed in position (maybe with Velcro) as an interactive exercise as part of the Gazebo where the public can learn about the different endocrine organs, what they look like and where they are on the body.
- 2) Some simplified **Metabolic Pathways** to help graphically explain energy balance, where our food metabolites go and what we are researching.
- 3) An **OPEN** category for anything inspiring and reflecting OCDEM

\*Final images need to be high enough resolution to be blown up onto the Gazebo surface

Please send enquiries and design entries to Matt Neville at [matthew.Neville@ocdem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:matthew.Neville@ocdem.ox.ac.uk)

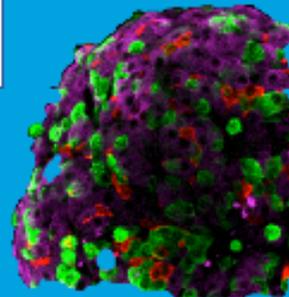


# Oxford Centre for Diabetes, Endocrinology & Metabolism



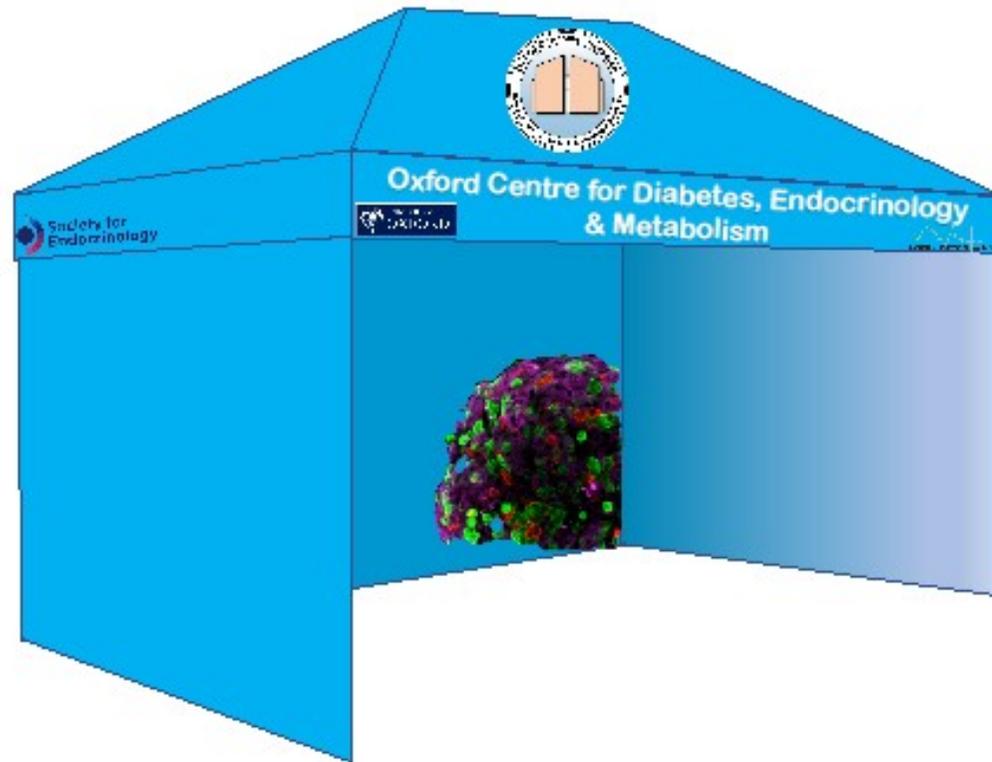
A Diagram of the human body with attachable organs

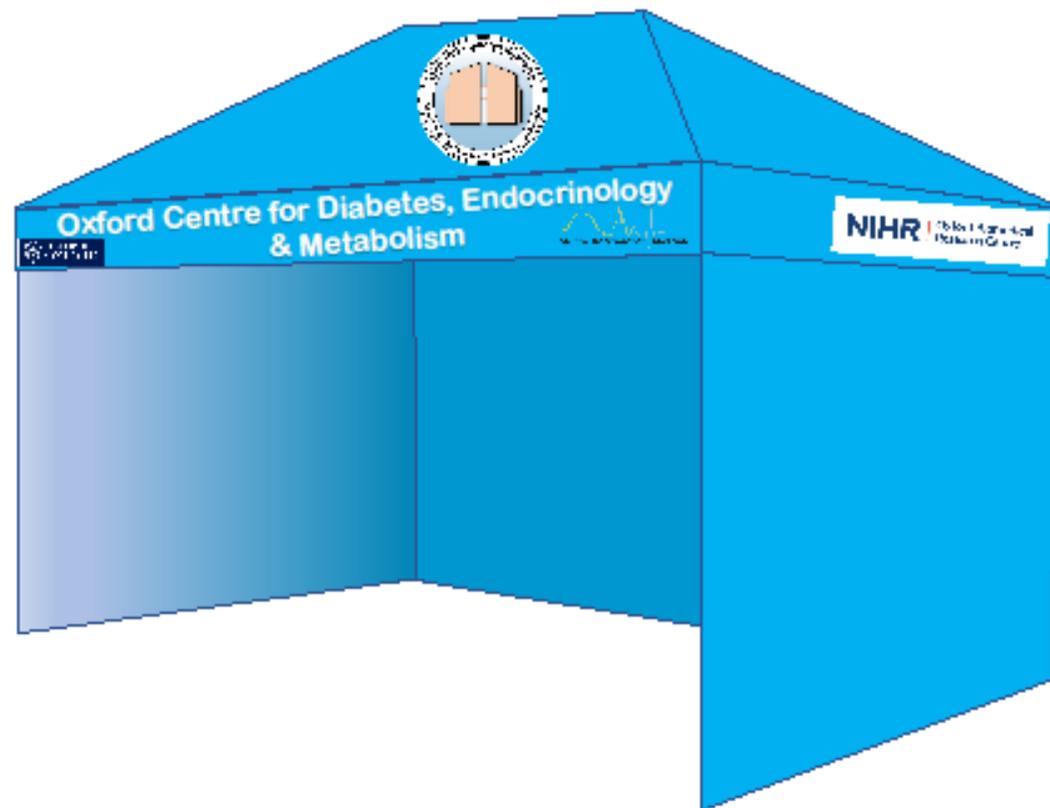
Possibly some Biochemical pathways accessible to general public or diagrams as visual aids to explain metabolism



Picture or diagram designed by OCDEM member









**OMH Researchers'  
Association pub night**

**Monday 10 June  
6pm onwards**

**The Red Lion (beer garden)  
Gloucester Street  
City Centre**

**Social event for  
all metabolism  
researchers and  
students**

**Come meet your fellow research colleagues in a relaxed pub environment! We have space reserved in the beer garden starting at 6pm – so drop by for some socializing over a beer or G&T. The pub also has food if you're in the mood for a nibble or full meal. You can drop us an email to let us know you're coming ([chelsea.larabee@dpag.ox.ac.uk](mailto:chelsea.larabee@dpag.ox.ac.uk)) or just turn up!**