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• EBI Clinical Primer 2016 scheme launched

The EBI’s highly successful Clinical Primer scheme has just been launched for 2016. This year we have combined the Medical and Veterinary Schemes into one. For further details please visit our Clinical Primer Funding Scheme page. The closing date for applications is 09:00 GMT Friday 11 December 2015.

• BristolBridge funding call

Applications are invited for short projects to fund pump-priming research in the area of antimicrobial resistance (AMR), relevant to EPSRC, across the University of Bristol. Closing date 1 February 2016. For further information see the full call on our website.

Funded Projects:

• EBI Clinical Veterinary Primers 2015 appointed

Congratulations to Grace Edmunds (Cellular and Molecular Medicine) ‘Proteomic analyses to assess the effects of adenosine on CD8+ tumour-infiltrating lymphocytes: A step towards the restoration of effective anti-tumour immunity’ and Alex Smith (Physiology and Pharmacology, and Vet Science) ‘Novel pacing device for improving cardiac output’, who received EBI Clinical Veterinary Primer 2015 awards and will begin their placements later this year.

• Major new investment in informatics service support

The EBI is delighted to announce its investment of £150,000 (match funded by the University of Bristol) in three new posts that will be openly available to help support all health and biomedical researchers across the University in their informatics needs. These posts will come into full effect in the early part of 2016. For further details visit our website.

News:

• A new EBI team for partnerships and translation

The EBI welcomes Professor Neil Williams as a new Director of Strategic Alliances with focus on developing strategic partnerships with pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. Professor Lars Sundström becomes Director of Regional Health Partnerships focusing on developing health partnership opportunities for the University
at a local level in conjunction with his role at the West of England Academic Health Science Network, working mostly with medical technologies companies. Read the full announcement on our [website](#).

- **EBI Early Career Fellow is joint winner of the 2015 Corinna Seith Award**

  Dr Alison Gregory from the University’s Centre for Academic Primary Care is joint winner of the Award, run by Women Against Violence Europe (WAVE). Dr Gregory won the award for her paper ‘On the outside looking in: the shared burden of domestic violence’ which looks at how domestic violence and abuse affects the friends and family members of the person in the abusive relationship. For further information see the [University news story](#).

- **EBI Clinical Primer awarded Medical Research Council clinical fellowship**

  Adam Chambers, a higher surgical trainee in the East Midlands Deanery and a recent Elizabeth Blackwell Clinical Primer fellow, has been awarded a Clinical Research Training Fellowship by the Medical Research Council (MRC). For further information see the [news article](#).

- **New EBI brochure**

  The new October 2015 EBI brochure summarising a range of our activities since the Institute’s inception in 2012 can be downloaded from our [website](#).

**Public Engagement:**

- **Feel It Festival of pain and breath: call for proposals**

  University of Bristol researchers are invited to submit proposals to be part of EBI’s [Feel It Festival](#) in autumn 2016; bringing together researchers, artists and members of the public to debate and explore research on pain and breathlessness. This is a great opportunity to engage the public with your research by proposing an engagement activity, or applying to advise an artist who will create a new performance artwork based on your research. For more information visit the [festival webpage](#) and find out how to apply on our [page for UoB researchers](#). The [deadline](#) for applications is 3 December, if you have any questions [contact us](#).

**Forthcoming Events:**

- **Elizabeth Blackwell Annual Public Lecture, 2 November 2015, 18.00 – 19.00 Great Hall, Wills Memorial Building**
The second Elizabeth Blackwell Annual Public Lecture ‘When pathogens meet people: controlling infectious disease epidemics’ will be given by Professor Dame Anne Johnson, Professor of Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Chair of the Grand Challenge for Global Health at University College London. This event is free to attend but registration is required.

- **BristolBridge Official launch, 11 November 2015**
The official launch of BristolBridge will take place in the School of Chemistry. The Vice Chancellor, Professor Hugh Brady, will deliver a short opening address. BristolBridge is a new EPSRC-funded project that aims to bridge the gaps between the physical sciences and engineering and antimicrobial resistance (AMR). For further information and to register your attendance see the [event listing](#).

- **Festival of the Future City, 17-20 November 2015**
Cities are the future, as the majority of the population move to live and work in them. The Festival of the Future City – one of Arts Council England supported Exceptional projects – will be the largest debate ever about the city and the future, bringing together academics, city planners, artists, writers, filmmakers, games makers, architects, politicians, journalists and commentators, poets, community leaders, businesses, scientists, think tanks and others to debate the future city with the public. See the [website](#) for further information.

- **EBI Workshop ‘Air quality and health’, 20 November 2015, 9am-12pm**
This workshop will focus on physicochemical measurements of atmospheric contents, deploying the technology for measuring atmospheric parameters in public spaces and the home, human behaviour, disease and epidemiology. Visit our [website](#) for more information and to register your interest.

- **BristolBridge sandpit event: ‘Materials and Devices for Wounds’, 27 November 2015**
BristolBridge is holding an event organised by its Strand 2 (Innovative antimicrobials, smart surfaces and wound dressings to prevent infection, and new drug delivery methods) leads, Dr Michele Barbour (Oral and Dental Sciences) and Dr Richard Trask (Advanced Composites Centre for Innovation and Science) to discuss research opportunities in Materials and Devices for Wounds. For further information see the [events page](#).

The West of England Academic Health Science Network (WEAHSN) will be holding this event to explore how social ownership and impact bonds might transform healthcare delivery, what it means for you and how you might get
involved in this new movement. For further information and to register your interest see the Eventbrite page.

- **EBI Workshop 'Innovation in the delivery of effective intensive care support'**
  Clinical leads in the Intensive Care Unit, Bristol Royal Infirmary, will present the range of problems they face and wish to solve to the researchers at the University of Bristol. This will include opportunities for data research (as much of the patient data collected remains under-exploited) as well as research into wireless devices and communications, enabling delivery of better and safer care for patients. The date and details for this workshop will be announced soon. In the meantime, if you are a clinician working in intensive care or a researcher at the University of Bristol with an interest in participating, please contact us at ebih-admin@bristol.ac.uk and indicate your area of expertise.

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