

BIA Monthly Digest – 18th October 2016

NEWS

Trainees' Day Autumn Meeting

See [Trainees Day page](#) for update. This meeting takes place on Friday 2nd December 2016 in Birmingham and is free for BIA members.

NITCAR at FIS

The National Infection Trainee Collaborative for Audit and Research committee will be available at FIS to explain who we are, the projects we have done and how you can use NITCAR to help carry your project ideas or get involved in planned projects. This networking session will take place in the Ochil room, Edinburgh International Conference Centre, on Sunday 6th November 09:30-10:30. Refreshments available. NITCAR's latest newsletter (September 2016) is available to view on the BIA website – see [NITCAR page](#).

Updated UK SMI Bacteriology documents

SMI B60: Detection of bacteria with carbapenem-hydrolysing β -lactamases (carbapenemases)

SMI B41: Investigation of urine

SMI B 59: Detection of Enterobacteriaceae producing extended spectrum β lactamases

Links to these documents are available on the [Professional Affairs Updates](#) page

BIA Council Member – Clinical Services Secretary (Microbiology & Virology)

Dr Natasha Ratnaraja (Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust) is now [standing in as interim CSC Chair, pending elections next year](#).

BIA e-list

The email discussion list is open to both members and non-members. It is intended for microbiologists and infectious disease clinicians to discuss all aspects of the practice of clinical microbiology and infection, including management, health policy, and employment issues. The e-list has recently been updated and we hope it will be more widely used. For more information, see the website's [BIA List](#) page.

RCP seeking newly-appointed consultant to join joint specialty committee

A newly appointed consultant is being sought to join the RCP joint infection committee. This newly formed committee, which is chaired by Professor Chris Conlon, meets three times a year in the RCP in London to discuss issues related to infection including sepsis and anti-microbial stewardship and provide advice for the RCP.

This position is open to newly appointed consultants (less than 5 years) who are members of the RCP.

Please inform Professor Martin Wiselka at martin.wiselka@uhl-tr.nhs.uk if you are interested in this position. Prof Wiselka is also happy to provide advice.

Trainee Association of ESCMID - Newsletter October 2016

TAE survey results

The Trainee Association of ESCMID (TAE) has recently published the results of a large survey among European trainees in clinical microbiology and infectious disease on training systems and training adequacy. This survey shows high heterogeneity in training conditions in European countries, identifies perceived gaps in training, and suggests areas for improvements. The results can be

accessed via the following link below (Open Access Article): <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10096-016-2791-9>

The TAE steering committee is also working on the results of the second part of the survey, focusing on the balance between personal and professional life (work-life balance) among CM and ID trainees and young specialists in Europe, including parenthood, working conditions, quality of life, alcohol consumption and burnout.

2016 TAE steering committee election is open until 24 October

Please see e-mail below or our website for more information how to vote:

https://www.escmid.org/profession_career/trainee_association_of_escmid/organisation/tae_sc_election/introduction/

This information is also available on the [Professional Affairs Updates](#) page

Handbook of Peri-operative Medicines

The *Handbook of Peri-operative Medicines* has been developed by the UK Clinical Pharmacy Association Surgery & Theatres Group and has been endorsed by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society, and was launched on 29th September. Until now there has been no national guideline for the use of medicines in the peri-operative period. This has resulted in varying practices across the country for the management of patients' regular medicines during this time, recognised in the Carter review as a risk to patient safety.

For more information on the *Handbook of Peri-operative Medicines*, please contact Sophie Blow at sophie.blow@nhs.net.

NICE/GUIDELINES UPDATES

NICE guideline: [Urinary incontinence in women \(update\) 2018](#)

Guideline scoping workshop, 8th December 2016, 6 Avonmouth Street, London, SE1 6NX. BIA is a registered stakeholder for this guideline; anyone interested in attending to represent the BIA should contact BIA@hartleytaylor.co.uk by 3rd November.

RECENTLY ANNOUNCED EVENTS

31 Oct 16	Agents for change conference, Liverpool
16 Nov 16	Plugging the antibiotics gap, Cheshire
26 Jan 16	BIA infection dilemmas, Manchester
27 Jan 16	10 th HIV dilemmas, Manchester
16 Mar 17	NITCAR annual meeting, London
16-17 Mar 17	RCP conference, Leeds

See [Infection Events page](#) for details and full listing

REMINDERS

The Anaesthesia Section at the Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) is hosting the 'life-threatening asthma, sepsis, epilepsy and diabetes in children' event on **Wednesday 9 November 2016**.

To view the event and to see the full programme, please visit www.rsm.ac.uk/events/anh03

VACANCIES

OOPE Opportunity

You may be aware that PHE (formerly HPA) has funded trainees in Microbiology or Micro/ID for short term secondments. There is funding available for short and long-term out of programme experiences (OOPES) in public health facilities.

On this occasion we are looking for a suitably senior (post FRCPath part II) Microbiology, Microbiology/ID trainee for a 12-18 month OOPE at the Laos-Oxford-Mahosot-Wellcome Trust Research Unit (LOMWRU) in Vientiane, Lao PDR.

PHE will provide you with a basic salary according to your current grade (not including on-call banding or London Weighting) and support one return air fare. We will also organise insurance through our International Dept unless this is provided by the host institution. You will need to bear your own accommodation costs.

This OOPE will likely run at a mutually convenient start date during 2017. Please make sure you have the required Deanery and Educational Supervisor Permissions. In LOMWRU you will be supervised by Dr David Dance. If you would like more details on the content of the OOPE itself please could you send an expression of interest together with your CV directly to david.d@tropmedres.ac; cc to jacinta.santos@phe.gov.uk. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the OOPE over the phone please contact Dr Nandini Shetty on nandini.shetty@phe.gov.uk

This information is also available on the [Jobs section](#) of the website.

ACF and CL Combined Infection Training

Adverts for the 2016 ACF and CL posts and the 2017 ACF posts have now been published, and can be found via the following links:

2016 ACF - https://www.pathway.orient.nhs.uk/Web/Sys_Pages/Programme/ProgrammeDetail.aspx?filterProgrammeID=AF0C602F-0522-422D-96E9-8BC5D80326AB

2016 CL's - https://www.pathway.orient.nhs.uk/Web/Sys_Pages/Programme/ProgrammeDetail.aspx?filterProgrammeID=F9D4F9B5-A8FA-4995-AB1B-02F8DDC7B8A2

2017 ACF's - https://www.pathway.orient.nhs.uk/Web/Sys_Pages/Programme/ProgrammeDetail.aspx?filterProgrammeID=342DC7D7-4B3B-405F-B663-FBE42B5314A4

They can also be found via the vacancies page on Oriel <https://www.orient.nhs.uk/Web/Vacancies> by searching for combined infection training.

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