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SEASON'S GREETINGS

The SAMRC Office of Malaria Research wishes all colleagues and partners a safe and joyous festive season.

We thank you for your support over the past year and look forward to working with you in the new year. Let's work together to develop new tools as we strive towards malaria elimination.

2019 WORLD MALARIA REPORT

The report is available via the link:

https://www.who.int/malaria/publications/world-malaria-report-2019/en/

NEWS ARTICLES

Some "light" reading – kindly visit the links to read the full articles.

- WWARN celebrates 10th anniversary. Read the article: https://www.wwarn.org/news/news-articles/wwarn-celebrates-10th-anniversary-0

- Read and view the highlights from the Newton Nairobi workshop which focused on sharing and managing valuable clinical trial data. https://www.wwarn.org/news/videos/newton-nairobi-workshop-highlights-video

- "More pregnant women and children protected from malaria, but accelerated efforts and funding needed to reinvigorate global response, WHO report shows." Read the press release: https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/04-12-2019-more-pregnant-women-and-children-protected-from-malaria-but-accelerated-efforts-and-funding-needed-to-reinvigorate-global-response-who-report-shows

- "Safer viruses for vaccine research and diagnosis." The University of Queensland has developed a new technology. Access the article. https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2019/12/191211144738.htm

- "1940s blood samples reveal historical spread of malaria." Read the article. https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2019/12/191202124626.htm

RECENTLY PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- Tajuddin and Van Heerden. Antiplasmodial natural products: an update. Malar J. (2019) 18:404 https://doi.org/10.1186/s12936-019-3026-1

FUNDING / OPPORTUNITIES

- RIS (Research and Information System for Developing Countries), a policy research think tank based in New Delhi is organizing a two-week course (6-17 January 2020, New Delhi) on Science Diplomacy, under ITEC Program sponsored by Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The interested candidates should apply online by using the URL: https://www.itecgoi.in/applicant_getCountry.php?salt3=36774ffe872019-2020&salt=7eb10ab6462434&salt2=d2f9d7417f31

- Call for Applications. EDCTP-TDR Clinical Research and Development Fellowships. Deadline for submissions is 28 February 2020. For further information visit the website. https://www.who.int/tdr/grants/calls/crdf-2019/en/

- MalariaX: Defeating Malaria from the Genes to the Globe. This annual leadership development course has been created by the Barcelona Institute for Global Health, Harvard University, and Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute. Registration is open until 31 March 2020. For further information visit the link. https://www.swisstph.ch/fileadmin/user_upload/SwissTPH/Documents/Courses/MalariaX_About_the_Course_One_pager_2019-20.pdf

LOCAL AND OVERSEAS CONFERENCES

Below please find links to malaria related conferences advertised for 2020. For more information, please visit the relevant websites:

1. 15th Annual Meeting of the Vector Control Working Group (VCWG), Mövenpick Hotel
   Geneva, Switzerland
   February 3-5, 2020
   https://www.swisstph.ch/en/topics/malaria/rbmvc-meeting/

2. MAM 2020 Molecular Approaches to Malaria
   Mantra Lorne
   Victoria, Australia
   February 23 – 27, 2020
   https://www.mam2020conference.com.au/

3. BioMalPar XVI: Biology and Pathology of the Malaria Parasite
   May 18-20, 2020
   EMBL Heidelberg, Germany
   https://www.embl.de/training/events/2020/BMP20-01/

4. First Commonwealth Chemistry Congress
   May 18-21, 2020
   Trinidad and Tobago Campus of the University of West Indies
   http://www.rsc.org/events/detail/40292/first-commonwealth-chemistry-congress

5. 6th International Conference on Public Health
   Ambassador Hotel Bangkok
   Bangkok, Thailand
   July 9-11, 2020
   https://publichealthconference.co/

6. XXVI International Congress of Entomology
   Finlandia Hall
   Helsinki, Finland
   July 19-24, 2020
   https://ice2020helsinki.fi/

7. 6th Southern Africa Malaria Research Conference
   Venue: TBC
   South Africa
   July 28-30, 2020

8. The 20th International Congress for Tropical Medicine and Malaria (ICTMM2020)
   Bangkok, Thailand
   September 20-24, 2020
   https://ictmm2020.org/

9. 16th World Congress on Public Health 2020
   October 12 -17, 2020
   Roma Convention Center La Nuvola
   Rome, Italy
   https://wcph2020.com/index.php

10. American Society for Tropical Medicine & Hygiene (ASTMH)
    69th Annual Meeting
    November 15-19, 2020 (Sunday through Thursday)
    Metro Toronto Convention Centre
    Toronto, Ontario Canada
    https://www.astmh.org/

PRESENTATION ICEBREAKER!

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