



OIHRN 8TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
11 & 12 NOVEMBER 2015
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Te Hui-ā-tau o te Rauara Rangahau Hauora o te Ao ki Ōtakau

The Otago International Health Research Network (OIHRN) is hosting the **OIHRN 8th Annual Conference** on 11-12 November at St Margaret's College, Dunedin.

OIHRN aims to provide opportunities for members and researchers to meet, present, discuss projects, and to foster new collaborative efforts in global health.

- Online registrations are due to open in July. This year, there will be a small registration fee, which we envisage will be about \$60 (with a discounted rate for students); this will contribute to catering costs.
- We will be inviting submissions from interested parties on any subject related to international health. Student submissions are welcome.. More details regarding this will be available on the conference website closer to the time.
- This year's programme will allow a greater opportunity for delegates to 'mix and mingle' with longer breaks and for 2015 an optional conference dinner.
- The optional conference dinner, will also be held at St Margaret's College - at this stage the cost of this will be about \$50 (in addition to the conference fee).
- St Margaret's College also offer accommodation for the conference if you are visiting from out of town.
- For further information about the conference, please visit www.otago.ac.nz/oihrnconference.

To help us improve the content of our newsletter, and the OIHRN please email any suggestions, feedback and comments to Fiona at cih@otago.ac.nz
Your input will be greatly appreciated!

2015 visiting Williams Evans Fellow and McAuley Orator

We are delighted to have Professor Sharon Peacock as this year's visiting Williams Evans Fellow and keynote speaker/ McAuley Orator at the OIHRN conference.

Professor Sharon Peacock is a leading expert in infectious diseases, Professor of Clinical Microbiology and Fellow of St John's College, University of Cambridge, Director of the Bloomsbury Research Institute (Sept. 2015), Honorary Consultant Microbiologist for the Health Protection Agency and the Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Trust, and holds an Honorary Faculty position at the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute.



Centre of International Health

New staff member

Kate Thomas - Post Doctoral Fellow, working on the HAZEL (Hazards Associated with Zoonotic Enteric pathogens in emerging Livestock systems) project., based in northern Tanzania.

Current Postgraduate Students

PhD students

- Hasibul Haque - Aid effectiveness in E. Timor. Supervisors: Robin Gauld, Philip Hill.
- Gagan Gurung - Interface between voice and accountability: Exploring social accountability mechanisms in the district health system of Nepal. Supervisors: Robin Gauld, Philip Hill, Sarah Derrett
- Michael Maze - The impact and social ecology of leptospirosis in northern Tanzania. Supervisors: John Crump, Katrina Sharples.
- Tin Ohn Myat - Invasive bacterial infections in Yangon, Myanmar. Supervisors: John Crump, David Murdoch, Wah Win Htike
- Yvonne Nartey - The epidemiology of cervical cancer in Ghana. Supervisors: Brian Cox, Philip Hill.
- Toyin Togun - Immunodiagnosis of paediatric tuberculosis. (Open University, UK). Supervisors: Beate Kampmann, Martin Ota, Philip Hill.
- Ayesha Verrall - Early clearance *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* in Indonesia. (University of Otago; HRC clinical training fellow) Supervisors: Philip Hill, Katrina Sharples, Reinout van Crevel.

Masters' students

- Alexandra Morrison - Tanna integrated water, sanitation & hygiene project evaluation. Supervisors: John Crump, Katrina Sharples
- David Summerby-Murray - Geographical analysis of invasive pneumococcal disease and radiological pneumonia in the Gambian pneumococcal surveillance system. Supervisors: Philip Hill, Grant MacKenzie

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