

**Medical Research Foundation National PhD Training Programme  
in Antimicrobial Resistance Research**

**Annual Conference ‘AMR in the Anthropocene: Human solutions to human-made  
problems?’**

**9 – 11 August 2021**

**FINAL PROGRAMME**

**Day 1 – Session 1: Monday 9 August 2021 (10:00-13:00 BST)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Welcome and opening address</b>
10:00	<p><b>Conference welcome address</b>  <b>Professor Matthew Avison</b>, Academic Programme Lead, University of Bristol</p> <p><b>Address &amp; introduction to the Medical Research Foundation National PhD Training Programme in AMR Research</b>            Professor Danny Altmann, Trustee of the Medical Research Foundation</p>
<b>Session 1 – One Health AMR in a Changing World</b>	
10:10	<p><b>Session welcome</b>  <b>Dr Andrew Singer</b>, UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology</p> <p><b>Chairs’ opening address and introduction</b>  <b>Claire Scott</b> (Bristol Veterinary School) and <b>Ryan Cook</b> (University of Nottingham)</p>
<b>Keynote lecture</b>	
10:15	<p><b>AMR from an International, Interdisciplinary and Interspecies Perspective</b></p> <p><b>Professor Ruth Zadoks</b>            School of Veterinary Science, University of Sydney, Australia</p>
10:50	<b>Break – 5 min</b>

Student presentations	
10:55	<b>Identifying Drivers of Antibiotic Resistance in Rivers</b> <b>James Delaney</b> (University of Warwick)
11:10	<b>Sharing of Resistance Genes between Humans &amp; Animals to Critically Important Antibiotics</b> <b>Jordan Sealey</b> (University of Bristol)
11:25	<b>Coffee break - 15 min</b>
11:40	<b>The Name Game: Classifying Novel Diversity in Genomic Data</b> <b>William Matlock</b> (University of Oxford)
11:55	<b>High-Resolution Sampling of Wastewater Influent for Short-Term Changes in AMR and Microbial Composition</b> <b>Kevin Chau</b> (University of Oxford)
12:10	<b>Closing remarks</b> <b>Dr Andrew Singer</b> , UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology
Student showreels (narrated presentations and videos)	
12:15	<b>Introduction to 3-minute showreels</b>  <b>Professor Matthew Avison</b> , University of Bristol
	<b>Preventing the Rising Tide of AMR: Utilising Water Stable MOFs to Remove Antibiotics from Wastewater</b> <b>Aoife Quinlivan</b> (University of Nottingham)
	<b>Reducing Antibacterial Resistance (ABR) through the Identification of the Risk Factors in the Perinatal Period and Early Life of the Calves that Drive ABR in Dairy Farms</b> <b>Beatriz Llamazares</b> (University of Bristol)
	<b>Rapid Identification of Bacteria Directly from Milk</b> <b>Daniel Buhl</b> (University of Cambridge)
	<b>Exploring Human-Animal Interactions, Disease Management and Antimicrobial Resistance on Smallholder Farms</b> <b>Claire Scott</b> (University of Bristol)
	<b><i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> Evolution Experiment</b> <b>William Hutton</b> (Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine)
	<b>Evolution of <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> in Hypoxia</b> <b>Rebecca Hull</b> (University of Sheffield)
	<b>Antimicrobial Resistance in Kenya</b> <b>Anne Amulele</b> (Kenya Medical Research Institute)

	<p><b>Characterisation of Conjugation and Plasmid Diversity of Carbapenemase-producing <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> (CPE) Clinical Isolates from the United Kingdom</b> Sarah Element (University of Birmingham)</p> <p><b><i>E. coli</i> Bacteraemia Antimicrobial Resistance: Bacterial Whole Genome Sequencing Linked to Patient Data</b> Ahmed Raza (University of Dundee)</p> <p><b>Patient Pathways and the Nosocomial Spread of Antimicrobial Resistance</b> Ashleigh Myall (Imperial College London)</p> <p><b>Optimising Empiric Antimicrobial Prescribing from Local Surveillance of Active and Potential Antimicrobial Resistance Mechanisms</b> Winnie Lee (University of Bristol)</p> <p><b>Project with the WHO: Developing a Value Attribution Framework (VAF) for Vaccines to Prevent AMR</b> Nidhee Jadeja (Imperial College London)</p>
12:55	<p><b>Session close</b> Professor Matthew Avison, University of Bristol</p>
13:00 to 13:45	<p><b>Lunch break</b> Break out rooms available for meet ups/networking after the session closes</p>

## Day 1 – Session 2: Monday 9 August 2021 (14:00-16:00 BST)

Session 2 - AMR Through the Lens of Big Data and Modelling	
14:00	<p><b>Session welcome</b> Dr Charis Marwick, University of Dundee</p>
14:05	<p><b>Chairs' opening address and introduction</b> Winnie Lee (University of Bristol) and Ashleigh Myall (Imperial College)</p>
Keynote lecture	
14:10	<p><b>The Role of (Big) Data in Defining and Solving the Antimicrobial Resistance Crisis</b>  Dr Eili Y. Klein Dept. Emergency Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA</p>
14:50	<p><b>Break – 5min</b></p>

## Student presentations

14:55	<b>Machine Learning Predicts the Effect of DNA Gyrase Mutations on Fluoroquinolone Susceptibility in <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i></b> <b>Alice Brankin</b> (University of Oxford)
15:10	<b>Using Electronic Record Data to Improve Opportunities for Antimicrobial Treatments in Sepsis</b> <b>Sian Bladon</b> (University of Manchester)
15:25	<b>Modelling to Reveal the Invisible: New Insights into Phage Predation Dynamics and the Importance of Horizontal Gene Transfer of Antimicrobial Resistance by Transduction</b> <b>Quentin Leclerc</b> (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)
15:40	<b>INfrastructure for a PHAge REference Database: Identification of Large-Scale Biases in the Current Collection of Phage Genomes</b> <b>Ryan Cook</b> (University of Nottingham)
15:55	<b>Closing remarks</b> <b>Dr Charis Marwick</b> , University of Dundee
16:00	<b>Professor Matthew Avison</b> , University of Bristol <b>Introduction to discussion panel on Day 3</b>  <b>Break out rooms available (until 17:00) for meet ups/networking after the session closes</b>

## Day 2 – Session 3: Tuesday 10 August 2021 (14:00 – 16:30 BST)

Session 3 - Innovation, Regulation and Acceptability: The Roadmap for AMR	
14:00	<b>Session welcome</b> Professor Alison Holmes, Imperial College London
14:05	<b>Chairs' opening address and introduction</b> Lucy Miller (Imperial College) and Laura Ciaccio (University of Dundee)
Student presentations	
14:10	<b>Reproducibility and Reliability in Transposon Mutagenesis Library Construction</b> Claire Hill (Quadram Institute, University of East Anglia)
14:25	<b>Nature's Silent Pharmacy: Mining Fungal Genomes in the Search for Novel Antibiotics</b> Sarah Dodd (University of Bristol)
14:40	<b>Engineering Protein Switches for the Rapid, Point of Care Detection of Infection Biomarkers</b> Declan Kohl (University of Leeds)
14:55	<b>MagnaExtract, a Novel Magnetic Bead-Based Extraction Method for the Molecular Detection of Antimicrobial Resistance</b> Rachel Byrne (Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine)
15:10	<b>Getting to Know Your Enemy - Structural and Functional Studies on Serine <math>\beta</math>-Lactamases</b> Pauline Lang (University of Oxford)
15:25	<b>Tea break – 15 min</b>
Keynote lecture	
15:40	<b>Considerations in Anti-Infective Product Development</b>  Dr Sumati Nambiar Senior Director, Child Health Innovation and Leadership Department, Johnson and Johnson (formerly Director, Division of Anti-Infective Products, Office of Infectious Diseases at the US Food and Drug Administration)
16:25	<b>Closing remarks</b> Professor Alison Holmes, Imperial College London
16:30	<b>Professor Matthew Avison, University of Bristol</b> <b>Introduction to discussion panel on Day 3</b>  Break out rooms available (until 17:30) for meet ups/networking after the session closes

## Day 3 – Session 4: Wednesday 11 August 2021 (09:45-13:00 BST)

Session 4 – Encountering AMR in the worlds we live in	
09:45	<b>Welcome address</b> <b>Professor Matthew Avison</b> , University of Bristol
09:50	<b>Chairs' opening address and introduction</b> <b>Chloe Morrison</b> (London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine) and <b>Nidhee Jadeja</b> (Imperial College London)
Keynote lecture	
09:55	<b>The Biosocial Worlds: Building Bridges Across Disciplines</b>  <b>Professor Jens Seeberg</b> School of Culture and Society, Department of Anthropology, Aarhus University, Denmark
AMR in the real world	
10:35	<b>Antibiotic Resistant Infections: The Patient Perspective</b> <b>Arlene Brailey</b> Patient Support Service, Antibiotic Research UK (ANTRUK)
10:55	<b>Antimicrobial Resistance: Interventions as Imagined Versus Interventions as Done</b> <b>Dr Enrique Castro-Sanchez</b> School of Health Sciences, City, University of London
11:15	<b>Coffee break – 15 min</b>
Student showreels	
11:35	<b>Introduction to 3-minute showreels</b>  <b>Professor Matthew Avison</b> , University of Bristol
	<b>Storytelling to Communicate the Concept of AMR to the Public</b> <b>Becky McCall</b> (University College London)  <b>Research on AMR in a Pandemic</b> <b>Esther Rottenburg</b> (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)  <b>A Historical and Ethnographic Study of Efforts to Preserve the Efficacy of Antitubercular and other Antibiotics in South Africa</b> <b>Rene Raad</b> (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)

	<p><b>A Silent Pandemic: How Can We Protect Antibiotics?</b>  <b>Ayodeji Matuluko</b> (Glasgow Caledonian University)</p> <p><b>My Lab Days - Subcellular Fluctuation Imaging (Towards Rapid Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing - AST)</b>  <b>Kanasanun Phonrat</b> (University of Bristol)</p> <p><b>The Health and Economic Impact of Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccinations on Antibiotic Use and Resistance Within England</b>  <b>Lucy Miller</b> (Imperial College London)</p> <p><b>Effects of COVID-19 on Antibiotic Prescribing, Healthcare Utilisation and <i>E. coli</i> Resistance</b>  <b>Laura Ciaccio</b> (University of Dundee)</p> <p><b>Discontinuous Percoll Gradient: A Technique to Isolate Immune Cells</b>  <b>Simone Arienti</b> (University of Edinburgh)</p> <p><b>Drug Discovery for Inflammation Resolution in Chronic Lung disease</b>  <b>Wezi Sendama</b> (University of Newcastle)</p> <p><b>Antimicrobial Efficacy of XF-73 and Antibiotic Comparators Against <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> in Biofilm Mode of Growth</b>  <b>Isabella Romeo-Melody</b> (University of Aston)</p> <p><b>Next Generation Inhibitors to Tackle <math>\beta</math>-Lactamase Resistance</b>  <b>Jonny Burnett</b> (University of Warwick)</p>
<p><b>Student discussion panel: Facing the realities of AMR – understanding your part in the bigger picture</b></p>	
12:15	<p><b>Discussion lead – Chloe Morrison</b> (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)  <b>Moderator - Nidhee Jadeja</b> (Imperial College London)</p> <p><b>Panellists:</b>  <b>Becky McCall</b> (University College London), <b>Declan Kohl</b> (Leeds), <b>Dr Wezi Sendama</b> (Newcastle), <b>Claire Scott</b> (Bristol Vet School) and <b>Kevin Chau</b> (Oxford)</p> <p><i>Audience - please use the chat function to ask your questions during the discussion</i></p> <p><i>There will be interactive tasks - more information will be provided</i></p>
13:00	<p><b>Conference closing remarks</b>  <b>Professor Matthew Avison</b>, Academic Programme Lead, University of Bristol</p>
	<p><b>Break out rooms available for meet ups/networking after the conference closes until 14:30</b></p>
14:30 - 16:00	<p><b>Leadership Team meeting (for those involved)</b>  <b>Separate Zoom link on the agenda</b></p>

