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### NEWS

#### BIA Council Elections

Voting took place in May and the following members were elected to Council:

Hon Secretary - Dr Katie Jeffery

Membership Secretary - Dr Mark Melzer

Clinical Services Secretary (Micro and Virology) - Dr Adriana Basarab

Guidelines Secretary - Dr Anna Goodman

Communications Secretary - Dr David Partridge

Trainee Member (Meetings) - Dr Rebecca Bamber

Trainee Member (professional Affairs) - Dr Sara Boyd

No nominations were received for the post of BIA Meetings Secretary, to succeed Prof Steve Green. As a consequence, Steve has agreed to remain in post; any member wishing to apply for this role in an interim capacity should contact a [BIA Council member](#) for further details.

Only 150 valid votes were recorded out of 1500 member notifications; if anyone would like to provide feedback or comments as to how the process could be improved, please contact [bia@hartleytaylor.co.uk](mailto:bia@hartleytaylor.co.uk).

The **BIA AGM** was held at the BIA Spring Meeting on 19th May. Minutes are available in the [Members Section](#) of the website. It was noted that turnout to this meeting was low, with 48 members attending, and it is hoped more members will attend the next AGM on **25th May 2017**.

#### [2016 BIA award winners:](#)

BIA Research Project Grants: Claire Broderick (LSHTM); James Price (University of Sussex); Naomi Walker (LSHTM)

BIA Clinical Exchange Award: Michael Benedict (University of Liverpool)

BIA Travel Awards: Daniel O'Connor (University of Oxford); Kyriaki Giorgakoudi (University of Cambridge)

#### [Prize winners from BIA 2016 Spring Meeting:](#)

Free Scientific Paper Presentation: 1st - Claire Turner (Imperial College); 2nd - Ji Soo Baik (Imperial College)

Clinical Case: Sara Boyd (Imperial College)

Poster Prize: Andrew Kemp (Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust)

The [BIA Trainees' Autumn Meeting](#) will take place on **Thursday 17th November 2016 in Nottingham**. The theme for this meeting is '*Imported infections: the returning traveller*'

The [2017 Annual Spring Meeting](#) will take place in London on **25th May 2017**, with the **Trainees'**

**Spring** meeting held on **24th May**.

#### [CONSULTATIONS](#)

**NICE consultation on Abbreviated Technology Appraisal (ATA) Process.** Comments please by **24th August**.

**Report from the EUCAST Subcommittee on the role of whole genome sequencing (WGS) in antimicrobial susceptibility testing.** Comments please by **24th June**.

**NICE Proposed Single Technology Appraisal: Tenofovir alafenamide for treating chronic hepatitis B.** Draft Scope Consultation. Although this consultation has now closed, a scoping workshop will take place at NICE offices in central London on **Thursday 7th July**; anyone interested in attending should contact Dr Anna Goodman, Guidelines Secretary, at [anna.goodman@gstt.nhs.uk](mailto:anna.goodman@gstt.nhs.uk)

**NICE Tuberculosis Quality Standard Consultation.** Comments please by **26th July**.

#### RECENTLY ANNOUNCED EVENTS

[6 Sept 2016: Knowlex Infection Prevention and Control Conference 2016](#)

[12 Oct 2016: Sepsis - improving recognition and management](#)

[21 Oct 2016: Pan Celtic Dublin 2016](#)

[22 Nov 2016: IPS 6th Annual IV Forum Conference - 'Read Between the Lines'](#)

#### REMINDERS

[FIS 2016, 6-8 November, Edinburgh](#). Deadline for abstract submission: **Friday 24th June**. Deadline for bursary applications: **Friday 5th August**.

The annual [Oxford Bone Infection Conference](#) will take place on **31st August 2016**, immediately followed by the [European Bone and Joint Infection Society Meeting](#) on **1-3 September**.

#### VACANCIES

'[Zika registrars](#)' at [RIPL](#), from beginning of August

See also [Medicinoxy](#) for updates vacancies