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Dear BIA Member

Please see links below to current activities and recent updates to the BIA website for your information and further action if interested. Feedback on content and style of this email is welcome to BIA@hartleytaylor.co.uk.

NEWS

BIA Council Elections are due to take place in April/May, with nominations opening on **10-Mar-2016**; further details will be announced on the website and in emails to members.

ACCEA will soon be opening the 2016 application round for new and renewal of national Clinical Excellence Awards in England and Wales. As in previous years the RCP will be supporting applicants for new awards, as a National Nominating Body.

Zika virus: members of the BIA have been closely involved with tracking the epidemic and formulating public health policy and guidance on Zika virus

Open for consultation:

NICE draft guideline consultation: Sepsis - closes **5pm, 19-Feb-2016**

NICE quality standard consultation: Bronchiolitis - closes **5pm, 19-Feb-2016**

NICE draft guideline consultation: Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma - closes **5pm, 10-Mar-2016**

NICE guideline on Tuberculosis has been updated (**Jan-2016**). Please note: NICE has been alerted to an error in its recently published guideline on tuberculosis in relation to a recommendation about BCG vaccination for neonates (section 1.1.3.4). The electronic versions on the NICE website have now been revised.

NICE Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in adults (update) quality standard published **04-Feb-2016**

NICE Healthcare-associated infections quality standard published **11-Feb-2016**

Massive Open Online Course on Antibiotic Stewardship (BSAC) new courses starting **23-May-2016 & 19-Sep-2016**

Infection Prevention and Control Commissioning Toolkit recently revised by IPS and RCN

ECCMID 2016 (9-12 April, Amsterdam): now accepting late breaking abstracts for all topics, but particularly focusing on **migrant and refugee health and colistin resistance**. **Deadline: 01-Mar-2016**

GRANTS

A number of BIA grants are currently open for submission, with **closing dates of 31-Mar-2016**. These include:

BIA Research Fellowship Grant

BIA research Project Grants

BIA Clinical Exchange Award

BIA Travel Award

Two non-BIA awards are also currently open:

Gilead UK & Ireland Fellowship Programme (closing **31-Mar-2016**)

FEATURES award for sepsis-related work (closing **29-Feb-2016**)

RECENTLY ANNOUNCED EVENTS

3/5-Mar-2016 [7th Advances Against Aspergillosis Conference](#) FREE sessions announced on Thurs afternoon/evening

16-Mar-2016 [TB in 2016: Rolling out the national strategy](#)

01-Apr-2016 [Aortic Graft Infection Symposium](#)

18-Apr-2016 [RIPL Trainee Day](#)

20-Apr-2016 [National Joint Training Day: Microbiology/Histopathology](#)

5/6-May-2016 [Liverpool Neurological Infectious Diseases Course 2016](#)

19-May-2016 [BSAC 2016 Roundtable Series on Antimicrobial Resistance \(Roundtable Two\)](#)

13/24-Jun-2016 [Warwick University Short Course: Laboratory Skills](#)

11/14-Jul-2016 [Warwick University Short Course: Techniques and Applications of Molecular Biology](#)

1/3-Sep-2016 [Annual meeting of the European Bone and Joint Infection Society](#)

12/16-Sep-2016 [Research Methods Course \(Centre for Sexual Health and HIV Research, UCL\)](#)

A full listing of infection-related events can be found on the website's [Infection Events](#) page

REMINDERS

[BIA Spring Meeting 19-May-2016 - SOAS, London](#)

"Infections with a global reach"

Incorporating the **BIA AGM**

Deadline for abstract submissions: 5pm, Friday 18-Mar-2016

[BIA Spring Trainees Day 18-May-2016 - SOAS, London takes place the day before BIA Spring Meeting](#)

[Medicine 2016: RCP Annual Conference](#) takes place on **15/16-Mar-2016** in Harrogate

VACANCIES

See [vacancy list from Medicinomy](#) for vacancies in medicine, pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences schools

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