



Awards

Congratulations go to our 19 students who were awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Paediatric Infectious Diseases at the Department for Continuing Education's annual Award Ceremony in April. This year we are also delighted to congratulate our first ever MSc in Paediatric Infectious Diseases graduates, who achieved their awards having successfully completed a research project and 15,000 word dissertation.



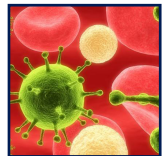
Our new intake

On 7 September 2015, 20 new Postgraduate Diploma students started the programme. They bring a wide variety of experience, and this new intake represents 12 different countries across Europe, Africa, and the Americas. We had the pleasure of greeting many of our new students in person at the Programme Introductory Day in October. We've also welcomed another 4 PGDip in PID graduates back to the department to undertake the MSc Programme.



ESPID Bursary

ESPID generously offers bursaries annually for students from lower-resourced countries within the EU and overseas to help with University fees for the Postgraduate Diploma. Information on bursary applications for entry in September 2016 will be available on our website soon.



Postgraduate Diploma in Paediatric Infectious Diseases

Drawing on world-class research and teaching in paediatric infectious diseases, the programme offers a unique opportunity to gain an understanding of the principles that underpin infection and the ways in which those principles have developed, and to translate this understanding in good clinical and research practice.

This is a two-year part-time programme taught via a blend of online and residential components. The Postgraduate Diploma forms a valuable part of doctors' postgraduate medical training. It has been designed to direct students through the syllabus required in the EU for clinical training in the subspecialty, and is also appropriate for those outside the EU. It will appeal to trainees in paediatrics, specialist trainees in PID and clinical research fellows. Further information can be found at - www.conted.ox.ac.uk/pid



Applications for the Postgraduate Diploma starting in September 2016

The Postgraduate Diploma commences its ninth year in September 2016, and is currently accepting applications. The deadline for applications is 17 June 2016; the Programme is usually oversubscribed, so we would recommend applying early.

Applicants must have passed the final part of the MRCPCH (or equivalent if based outside the UK). In general, UK paediatric trainees should be at ST4 and above, though applications from trainees at a lower level may be considered. Priority will be given to trainees; however, more experienced paediatricians will be considered if places are available.



MSc in Paediatric Infectious Diseases

The MSc in Paediatric Infectious Diseases provides an essential step forward for those interested in continuing training in the subspecialty. The MSc involves an additional year of study in the UK or overseas, following on from the Postgraduate Diploma. Students on the MSc programme will undertake a supervised research project and submit a 15,000 word dissertation. Further information can be found at - www.conted.ox.ac.uk/pid



IIC Course: Oxford (11 July–13 July 2016)

Hot Topics in Infection and Immunity in Children is an ESPID supported annual residential training course, and provides an important part of the teaching for the Postgraduate Diploma. Celebrating its fourteenth year, IIC has prepared another exciting programme packed with updates on the latest developments in the field from leading experts across the world. This year the course will be held at The Mathematical Institute and St Anne's College, Oxford. Further information can be found at - www.oxfordiic.org



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- European Society for Paediatric Infectious Diseases (ESPID) - www.espid.org
- Paediatric European Network for Treatment of AIDS (PENTA) - www.pentatrials.org
- IIC Course: Oxford - www.oxfordiic.org

