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The Society website has had a facelift!

If you haven’t yet, check out the Society’s new face on the web at www.dohadsoc.org where you will see new features and an easy way to access the members section, renew your membership, and keep track of what the Society has been doing and what is yet to come!

DOHaD 2015 CAPE TOWN
In case you missed it: here are the highlights

- Took place in beautiful Cape Town
- 810 registered delegates attended
- 530 submitted abstracts (137 oral presentations and 393 poster-oral presentations).
- 67 invited speakers gave amazing talks
- 100 travel awards were given to attendees from Developing Countries
- 80 trainees attended the trainee welcome session on first day of the conference
- 10 trainees went out for a trainee networking dinner on final day of the conference
- Newsletters were distributed every morning about the previous day’s events (See DOHaD Website)
- The Congress ended with all the delegates beating their drums to African rhythms under the direction of Drum Café. It was a fitting end to the meeting, and a “call of action” uniting the multidisciplinary group of scientists at the congress to continue their great efforts.
Get ready to go European!

The 2017 DOHaD Congress will be held in The Netherlands – a European hub of DOHaD research – on October 16-19, 2017. The 2017 Congress is chaired by Professor Vincent Jaddoe and no doubt will be a fantastic Congress. Rotterdam is the second largest city in The Netherlands and is one of the world’s largest ports. Plan now to see the sights of Rotterdam before or after the Congress! [http://www.generationr.nl/researchers/dohad-2017.html](http://www.generationr.nl/researchers/dohad-2017.html)

Look out for more information about the 2017 Congress in future newsletters.

We look forward to a great event in The Netherlands!

DOHAD 2019: Where will it be?

Bids for DOHAD 2019 are in and Council vote will determine our next location. Stay tuned for the outcome!

Membership Update: Going strong!

The 2015 Congress saw 45 brand new members...Welcome to all of you who joined us! Our membership continues to grow and expand and with it comes new networking opportunities for trainees and investigators alike!

Annual membership renewals are now due. Look out for email reminders and if you haven’t already done so, please visit the website and renew as soon as possible.
Trainee Section:
Hello Trainees! We loved meeting many of you at the recent Congress in Cape Town!

Join the new DOHaD trainee Facebook group today!
You can now contribute ideas, share new findings, and stay connected via the ‘Developmental Origins of Health and Disease (DOHaD) Society Trainees’ group on Facebook, open to all trainees and emerging scientists. Please join the group here: https://www.facebook.com/groups/408996095891579/

A unique opportunity for postdoc trainees
Many trainees have expressed an interest in gaining more formal manuscript reviewing experience, and your Council Representatives Amita & Sky have been working towards developing an official platform for this. Along with the JDOHaD editorial team, we have set up a unique opportunity for DOHaD Postdoc Trainee members who are interested in reviewing journal articles submitted to JDOHaD.

If you are a Postdoc and a DOHaD trainee member, and would like to get involved in reviewing JDOHaD articles, then please email us ASAP (Amita: amitab@mail.med.upenn.edu, and Sky: Sky.Feuer@ucsf.edu). We will provide you with additional details once you confirm your interest with us.

Membership
If you would like to become a trainee member, or update your trainee membership, email Jane Pearce at jp@mrcsoton.ac.uk. The trainee membership fee is GBP 25 for one year, or GBP 35 for two years.

Questions? Ideas? Concerns? Email your Trainee Council Representatives Amita or Sky: amitab@mail.med.upenn.edu; sky.feuer@ucsf.edu
WHO is Amita Bansal?

• BSc (first class honours), PhD
• Postdoc, University of Pennsylvania (UPenn), Center for Research on Reproduction and Women’s Health, Dept. Ob/Gyn

WHERE did she come from?

• Undergraduate degree in medical biotechnology/biomedicine from University of Abertay Dundee, Scotland
• Awarded an International Doctoral Scholarship for her PhD in Biomedicine, Supervisor Prof Frank Bloomfield, University of Auckland (2010-2014)
• Currently a Postdoc with Prof Rebecca Simmons at UPenn in the Dept. Ob/Gyn

WHAT does she do?

• Trainee Representative on the DOHaD Society Council
• International Officer, National Postdoctoral Association, United States
• Postdoc research focus on the trans-generational effects of maternal bisphenol A exposure on metabolic health in a mouse model
• Featured in the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) magazine in an article on ‘Science on Visa’ (ASBMB. 2015 Nov; 14 (10))
• Highlighted in an editorial piece for her PhD work on the preterm birth and its effects on ovine beta cell development (Endocrinology. 2015 Oct; 156 (10): 3763-76)
• Recently selected by the Endocrine Society as a recipient of the Endocrinology Student Award for ‘Best Trainee Paper in 2015’

Featured Trainee’s Secrets:

• Best trainee advice she’s received: One can learn from something that is good as much as they can from something that is bad.
• Worst advice she’s received: The USA is not a fun place to work.
• What she loves about her work: Discovering the unknown, and disseminating research findings.
• And when she isn’t sciencing, Amita is… engaging with societies which work to enhance trainee experiences, attending Science on Tap events with friends, traveling to different countries, or hiking nature trails.
DOHaD Associated Groups

*Don’t forget to join your favourite Associated group!*

**DOHaD Society of Australia and New Zealand**
Website: http://www.dohad.org.au
Contact Email: info@corporatecommunique.com.au

**The French Speaking DOHaD Association**
Website: http://www.sf-dohad.fr/
Contact Email: sf-DOHaD@jouy.inra.fr

**Ibero-American DOHaD Society**
Contact Email: fjmar@vtr.net

**DOHaD Japan Society**
Website: http://square.umin.ac.jp/Jp-DOHaD/J-DOHaD.html
Contact Email: jdohad@niph.go.jp

Interested in forming your own group? Go to our website for a template application, or contact DOHaD Administration at dohad@mrc.soton.ac.uk.

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**Journal of Developmental Origins of Health and Disease**

*Have you seen the latest papers? Do you cite papers from your Society’s Journal in your own work?*

To view Table of Contents for the latest issue of the Journal for Developmental Origins of Health and Disease, log in at: http://journals.cambridge.org/jid_DOH, where you can also sign up to receive future TOCs and regular updates direct.

**REMEMBER:** Membership of the DOHaD Society gives you **FREE ACCESS** to J DOHaD online. Soon after joining the Society, you will receive login details for J DOHaD.
DOHaD WORKSHOPS:
We can support you in 2016!

Planning a workshop? – apply for support from the DOHaD Society – see website for details. Workshop support applications from Developing Countries are needed. Apply today!

Need support in planning your next DOHaD workshop? Look no further, your Society will support you, and the support has just increased! If you are applying from a Developing Country you can recived up to 1500£ and developed country applicants can receive up to 750£ to help you put on the best workshop you can. Simply fill out the application at https://dohadsoc.org/members-area/workshop-support/ and submit it to the DOHaD office dohad@mrc.soton.ac.uk.

Funding opportunity

The Horizon Prize for the Birth Day will be awarded to a solution that best demonstrates a reduction in maternal and/or newborn morbidity and mortality and/or stillbirths during facility-based deliveries. This solution will need to be novel, safe and scalable. Details for the award of the prize will be specified in the rules for this contest published at its launch in the first quarter of 2016.

Find it here: https://ec.europa.eu/research/horizonprize/index.cfm?prize=birthday
Upcoming Workshops and Conferences you might be interested in....

Munich, Germany, October 13-16, 2016

pptox V: 5th Conference on Prenatal Programming and Toxicity (pptox)
Kitakyushu, Fukuoka, Japan, 13-16 November 2016
http://www.pptoxv.com

21st IUNS-ICN International Congress of Nutrition
Buenos Aires, Argentina, 22-27 October 2017
http://www.iuns-icn2017.com

Advertisement for DOHaD Society Membership

Tell your colleagues about the advantages to becoming a DOHaD member. Please post the attached advert in your Department and increase our Society exposure.
Looking for work?

DOHaD-related positions

Tenure Track Position in Epigenetics and Developmental Origins of Health and Disease
The Faculty of Health Sciences at Simon Fraser University and the Child & Family Research Institute at BC Children’s Hospital seeks applications from early and mid-career scientists with an outstanding research record to be appointed as a tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor in Developmental Biology and Human Health. For full details visit https://dohadsoc.org/job-vacancies.

Have a DOHaD-related position that you want to advertise in the Newsletter? Please email the DOHaD Office dohad@mrc.soton.ac.uk with the details and we will post it for you here in the Newsletter.

Newsletter contributions
We want to hear from you

Send comments, and material for future newsletters to Deb Sloboda sloboda@mcmaster.ca or to the DOHaD office dohad@mrc.soton.ac.uk.

All previous newsletters are available in the members’ area of the DOHaD Society website

www.dohadsoc.org
WHY JOIN?

FREE JOURNAL SUBSCRIPTION
Your membership gets you a FREE subscription to the online Journal of Developmental Origins of Health and Disease.

TRAVEL AWARDS
Members can apply for travel awards to attend DOHaD World Congresses.

WORKSHOP SUPPORT
As a member you are eligible to apply for financial support for workshops, meetings and conferences.

PREFERENTIAL REGISTRATION
You will receive a reduced registration rate at the Biannual World Congress meetings.

NEWSLETTER
Regular newsletter highlighting hot topics and current research initiatives across the field.

why not join your colleagues as a member of
THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR DEVELOPMENTAL ORIGINS OF HEALTH AND DISEASE

MEMBERSHIP RATES:

Standard  £45
Student   £20

Rates for individuals from developing countries are discounted & based on country of origin.
Look online! (free or £20)

APPLY ONLINE TODAY!

This international scientific society is a registered charity which promotes research into the developmental origins of health and disease. We now know that a poor start to life, including impaired growth and excessive adiposity, is associated with increased risk of non-communicable diseases throughout the life course. Research into DOHaD involves scientists from around the world. The DOHaD Society promotes cohesion and shared knowledge between multidisciplinary groups spanning policymakers, clinical and basic scientists.