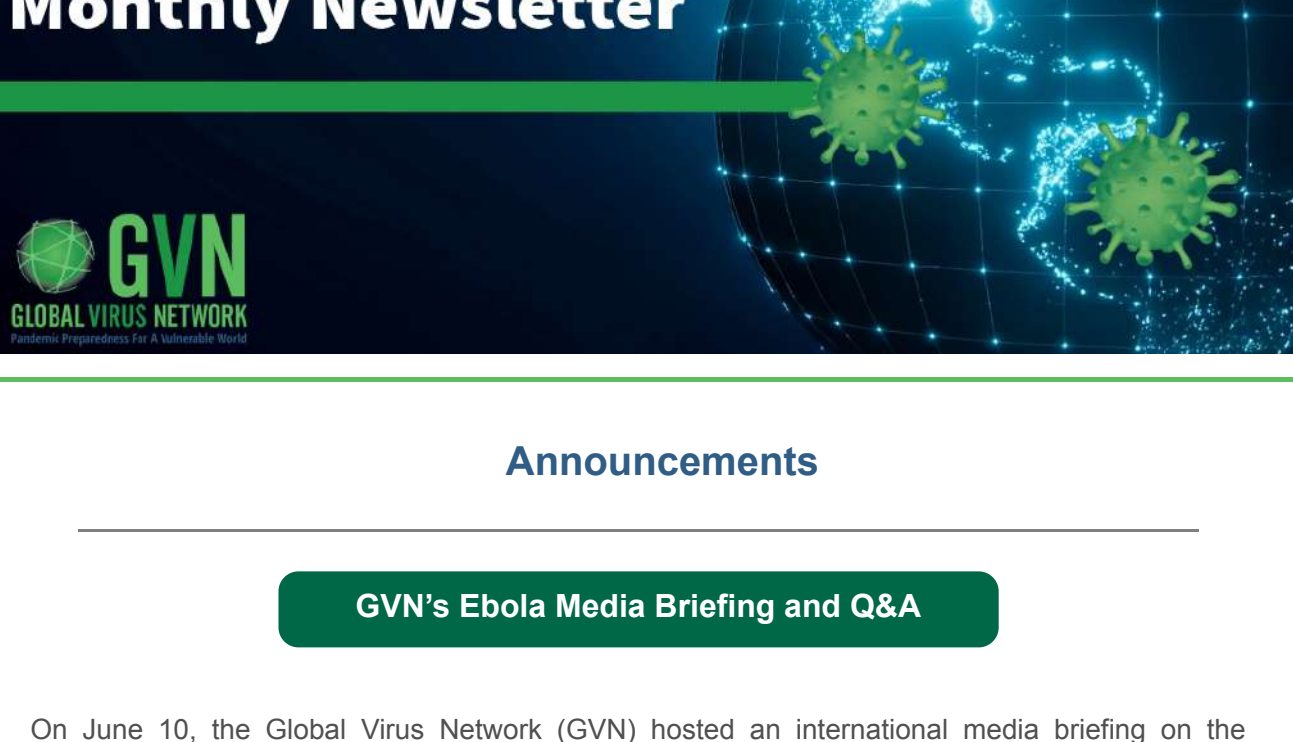
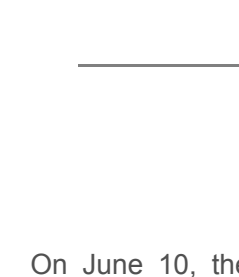


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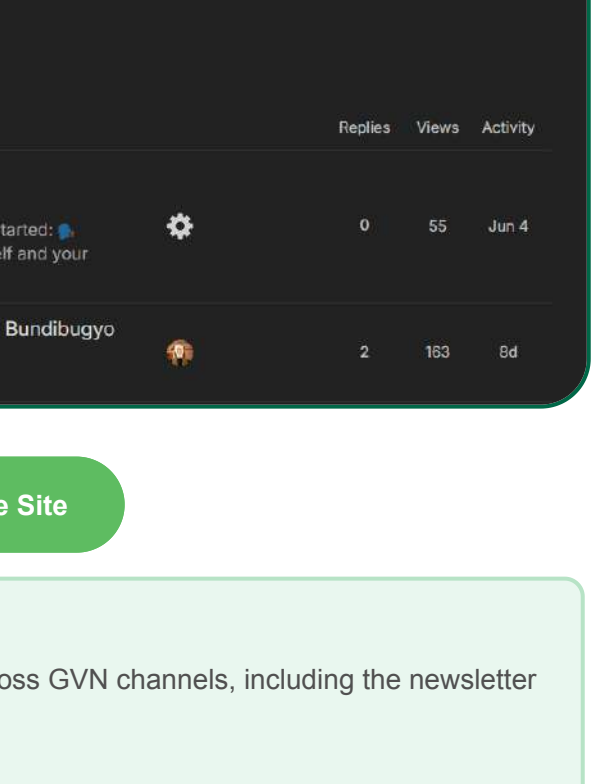
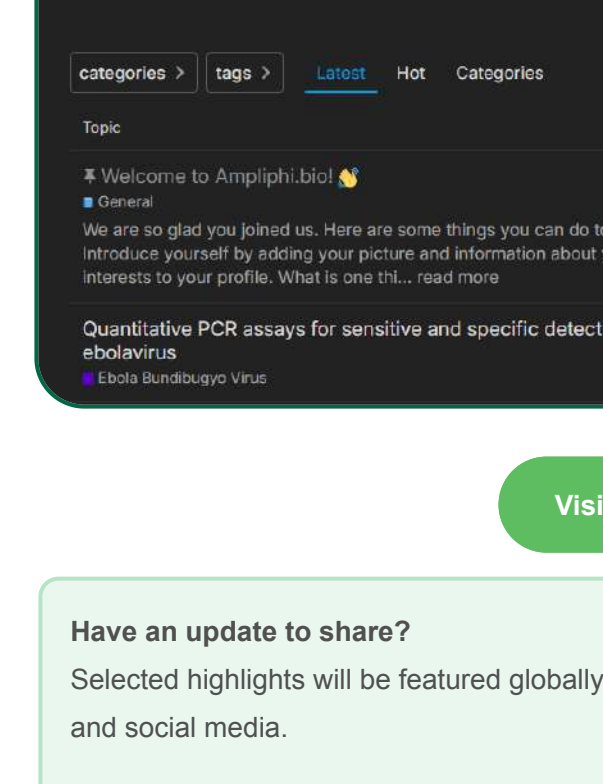
GVN's Ebola Media Briefing and Q&A

On June 10, the Global Virus Network (GVN) hosted an international media briefing on the Bundibugyo Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, convening an international panel of frontline outbreak responders, public health leaders, and virology experts from the DRC, the World Health Organization, Africa CDC, and GVN Centers of Excellence. The discussion explored outbreak response efforts, diagnostic challenges, the status of vaccines and therapeutics, regional preparedness, and the broader implications of the outbreak for global health security. Following the briefing, GVN published a companion Frequently Asked Questions resource addressing key questions about diagnostics, transmission, preparedness, and the evolving outbreak response.

[Media Alert](#)[Q&A](#)[Full Recording](#)

2026 GVN Short Course in Translational Virology & Mini Course

Applications are now open for the 2026 GVN Short Course in Translational Virology and Mini Course, taking place November 2–13, 2026. Hosted in Tampa, Florida, the Short Course is offered in both in-person and virtual formats, while the Mini Course is available exclusively virtually. Together, these programs provide training and professional development opportunities for scientists and future virology leaders at different stages of their careers. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, and early application is encouraged.



2026 GVN Short Course in Translational Virology

The GVN Short Course in Translational Virology is a 10-day intensive program focused on the fundamental, translational, and clinical aspects of viruses relevant to human health. Participants learn from leading virologists from GVN Centers of Excellence through lectures on cutting-edge research, emerging viral threats, diagnostics, therapeutics, vaccines, and pandemic preparedness, while also engaging in networking, career development, and interactive discussions. Since 2014, the GVN Short Course has helped advance the careers of more than 150 scientists worldwide.

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2026 GVN Mini Course

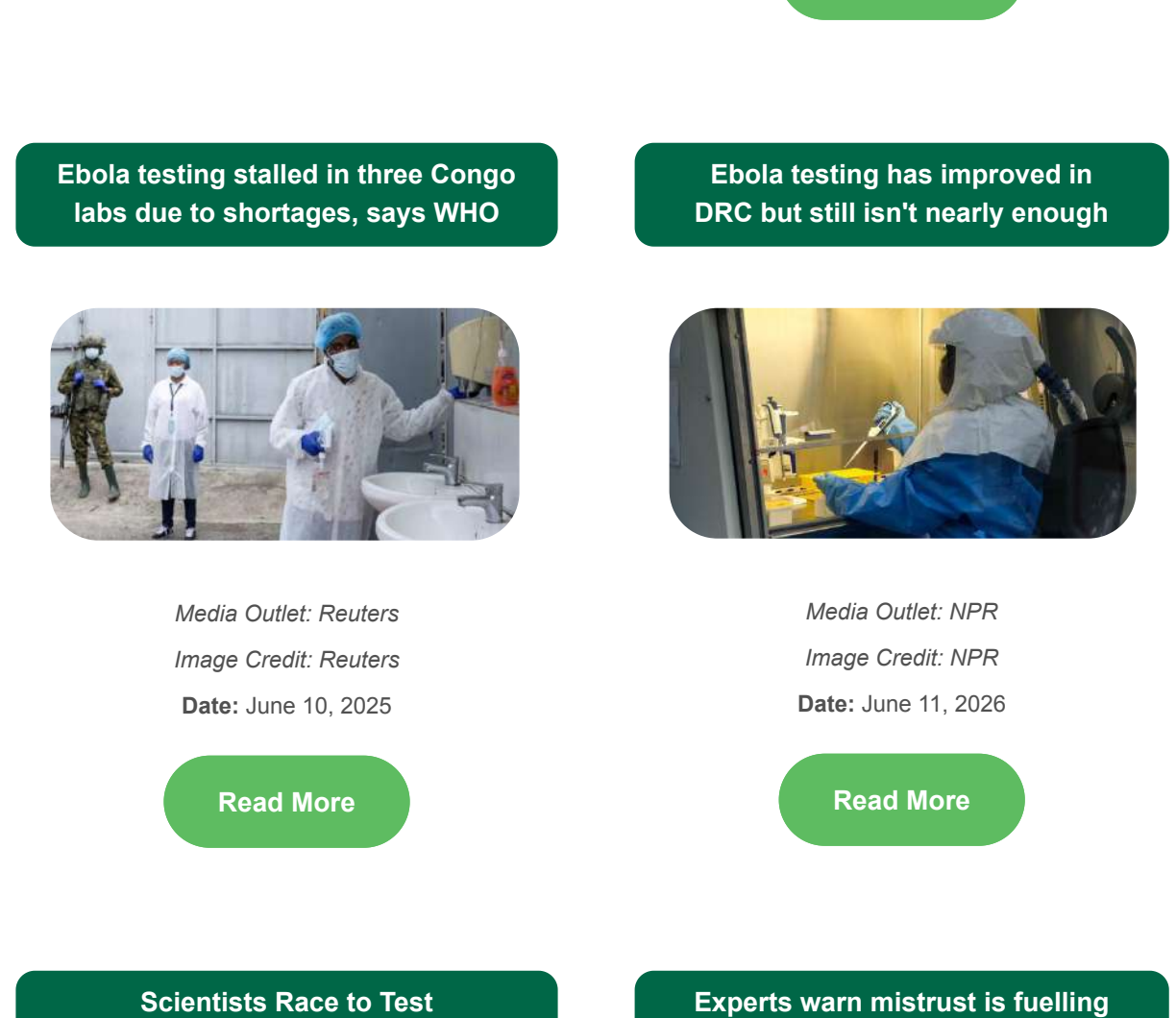
New for 2026, the GVN Mini Course is a virtual certificate program embedded within the first 90 minutes of each morning of the GVN Short Course. The program explores broader public health and professional development topics, including community engagement, mentorship, grant writing, education, science communication, and policy development. Designed primarily for undergraduate and master's students, the Mini Course offers an accessible introduction to virology and public health while providing participants with a GVN Mini-Certificate in Translational Virology upon successful completion.

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GVN Impact in Action

Highlights from across our Centers of Excellence & Affiliates

Amplihiv.bio is a new community platform developed by members of the **Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard**, a Global Virus Network Center of Excellence, to help scientists rapidly share primer and probe sequences, amplicon panels, and early validation data, even before preprint publication. By accelerating access to assay designs during outbreaks, the platform supports faster scientific collaboration and strengthens global outbreak preparedness.

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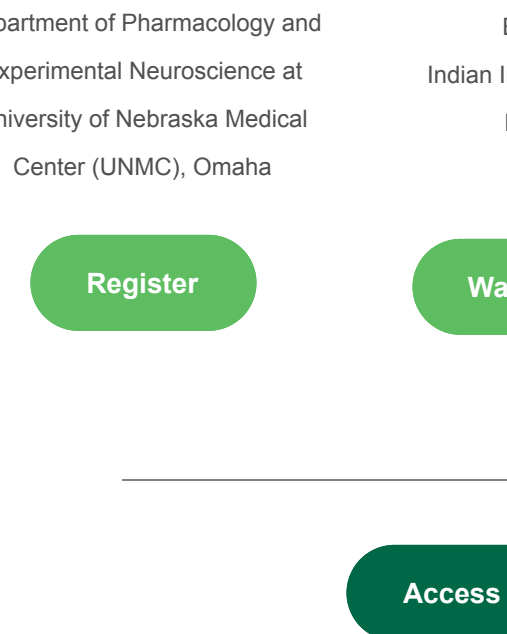
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News Articles & Press Coverage

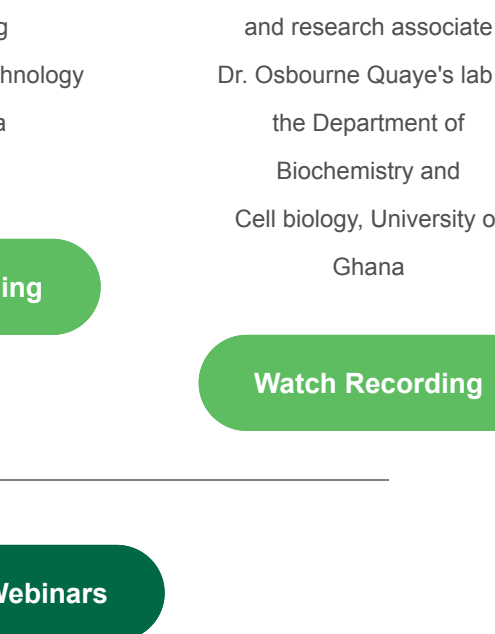
WHO warns Ebola outbreak will take time to contain



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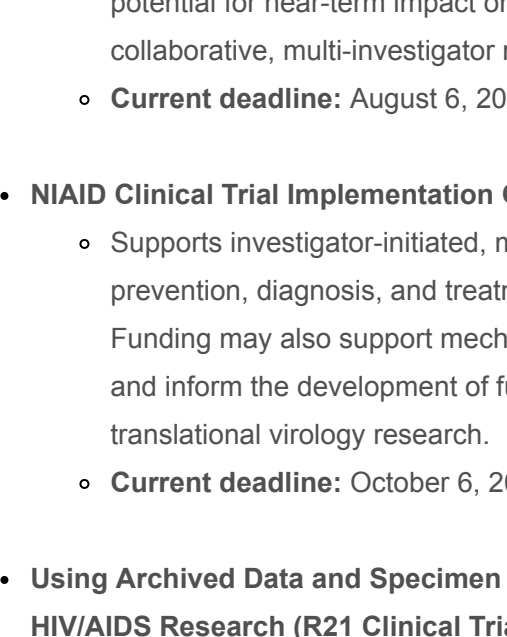
Ebola cases in DRC surpass 600 as officials report struggles with community outreach



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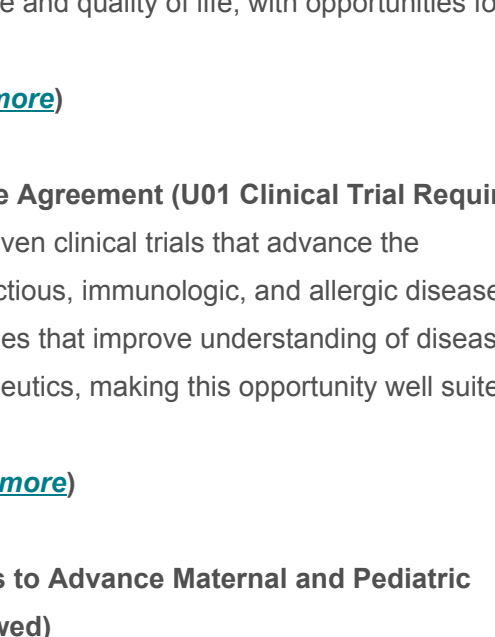
Ebola testing stalled in three Congo labs due to shortages, says WHO



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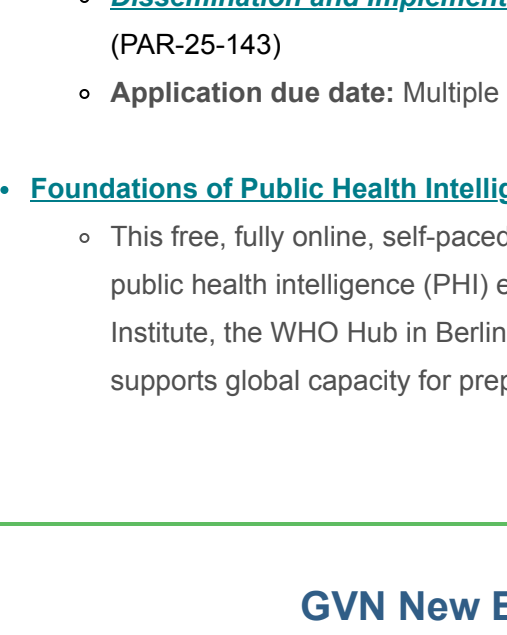
Ebola testing has improved in DRC but still isn't nearly enough



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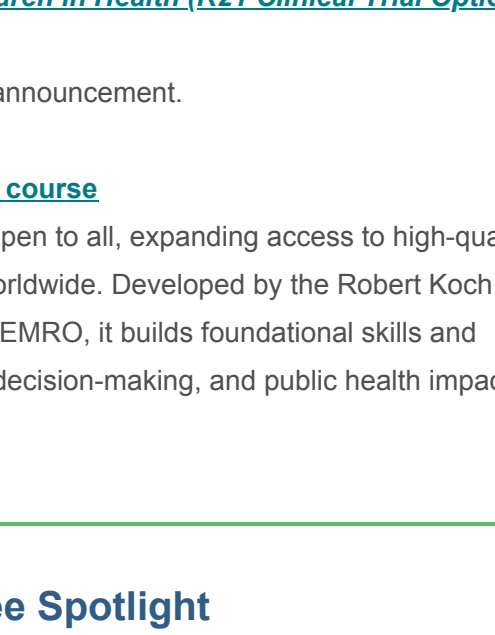
Scientists Race to Test Treatments as Ebola Outbreak Widens



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Experts warn mistrust is fuelling DRC Ebola outbreak



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June 2026 Media Coverage Snapshot

Total Mentions
179
June 2026

Average Reach
1,649,933
June 2026

Countries Covered
14
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GVN Webinar Series

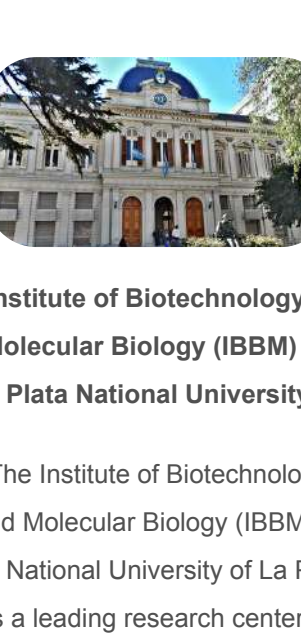
Developmental Deficits in Offspring of HIV-1 Mothers: Bridging the Known and the Unknown



Thursday, 30 July 2026, 9:00 AM (US Eastern)
Aditya N. Bade, PhD
Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Neuroscience at University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), Omaha

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Antibody Based Therapeutic Interventions for Viral Infections



Wednesday, 27 May 2026
Rajesh Kumar, PhD
Assistant Professor
Department of Biosciences and Bioengineering
Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, India

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Immunological Response to Human Coronaviruses among People Living with HIV in Ghana



Wednesday, 29 April 2026
Esimebia Adjovi Amegashie
PhD student, medical scientist and research associate
Dr. Osbourne Quay's lab at the Department of Biochemistry and Cell biology, University of Ghana

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External Grants & Opportunities

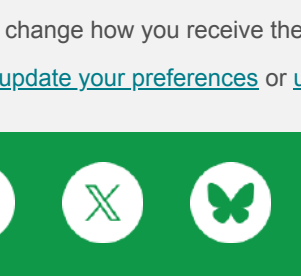
- **Global Infectious Disease (GID) Research Training Program**
 - D43 (PAR-24-174). Strengthens research capacity in LMICs via long-, medium-, and short-term training in infectious disease research.
 - **Current deadline:** August 6, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **DoW Peer Reviewed Medical, Impact Award**
 - Supports applied, use-inspired research that translates fundamental discoveries into clinically relevant solutions for diseases and conditions identified within the FY26 Peer Reviewed Medical Research Program topic areas. Projects should demonstrate strong potential for near-term impact on patient care and quality of life, with opportunities for collaborative, multi-investigator research.
 - **Current deadline:** August 6, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **NIAID Clinical Trial Implementation Cooperative Agreement (U01 Clinical Trial Required)**
 - Supports investigator-initiated, milestone-driven clinical trials that advance the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of infectious, immunologic, and allergic diseases. Funding may also support mechanistic studies that improve understanding of disease and inform the development of future therapeutics, making this opportunity well suited for translational virology research.
 - **Current deadline:** October 6, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **Using Archived Data and Specimen Collections to Advance Maternal and Pediatric HIV/AIDS Research (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)**
 - This funding opportunity supports secondary analyses of archived HIV/AIDS data and biospecimen collections to address critical research questions in maternal, pediatric, and adolescent populations. Areas of interest include HIV epidemiology, treatment outcomes, co-infections, HIV reservoirs, pregnancy and postpartum health, and innovative data science approaches, including artificial intelligence.
 - **Current deadline:** October 21, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **Emerging Global Leader Award**
 - The Fogarty Emerging Global Leader Award aims to provide research support and protected time to a research scientist from a LMIC who holds an academic junior faculty position or research scientist appointment at an LMIC academic or research institution. Low-income, lower-middle-income and upper-middle-income countries are included.
 - **Current deadline:** December 3, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **Fogarty Associated Funding Opportunities**
 - [Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health \(R21 Clinical Trial Optional\) \(PAR-25-143\)](#)
 - **Application due date:** Multiple dates, see announcement.
- **Foundations of Public Health Intelligence (PHI) course**
 - This free, fully online, self-paced course is open to all, expanding access to high-quality public health intelligence (PHI) education worldwide. Developed by the Robert Koch Institute, the WHO Hub in Berlin, and WHO EMRO, it builds foundational skills and supports global capacity for preparedness, decision-making, and public health impact.

GVN New Employee Spotlight

Please join us in welcoming the newest members of the GVN team. Their expertise and dedication will strengthen GVN's development, programs, communications, and operations as we continue advancing global collaboration, research, education, and pandemic preparedness.



Monique McLeod, MBA
Development Specialist



Erin Mulvaney
Program & Office Coordinator



Saima Rahman
Scientific Programs Assistant Intern

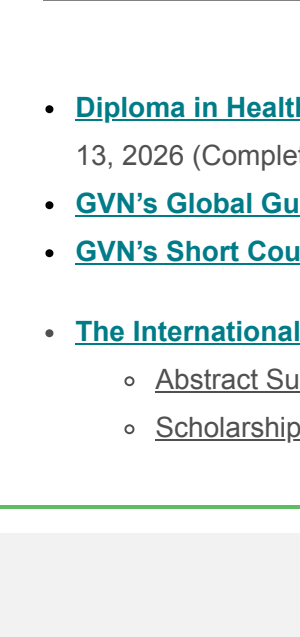
Gabrielle King
Scientific Programs Assistant Intern

Anna Moseley
Scientific Programs Assistant Intern

Jaima Chowdhury
Public Health Communications Intern

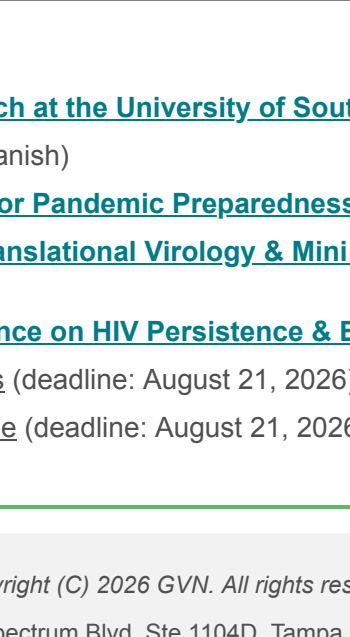
[Meet the Team](#)

Center of Excellence (COE) Highlights



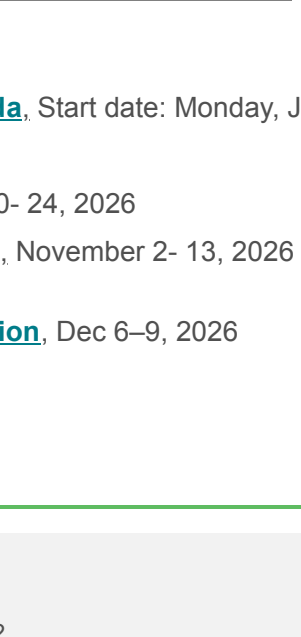
Institute of Medical Science, University of Tokyo

The Institute of Medical Science at The University of Tokyo (IMSUT) is a world-renowned research institute dedicated to advancing the understanding, prevention, and treatment of infectious diseases, cancer, and other complex health conditions. Bringing together experts across biomedical sciences, genomics, immunology, and vaccine research, IMSUT drives innovative discoveries while fostering global collaboration and translational research to improve human health.

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Institute of Biotechnology & Molecular Biology (IBBM) La Plata National University

The Institute of Biotechnology and Molecular Biology (IBBM) at the National University of La Plata is a leading research center in Argentina focused on biotechnology, molecular biology, and microbe-host interactions. Its multidisciplinary researchers advance studies of viruses, bacteria, and other microorganisms while combining innovative research with education and training to prepare the next generation of scientists.

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Institute for Human Virology - Nigeria

The Institute of Human Virology Nigeria (IHVN) is a leading research and public health organization dedicated to advancing the prevention, treatment, and control of HIV, tuberculosis, malaria, and other infectious diseases. Through research, laboratory strengthening, workforce development, and large-scale public health programs, IHVN builds capacity and improves health outcomes across Nigeria while supporting global infectious disease research and collaboration.

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