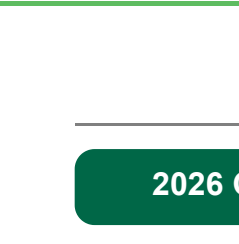


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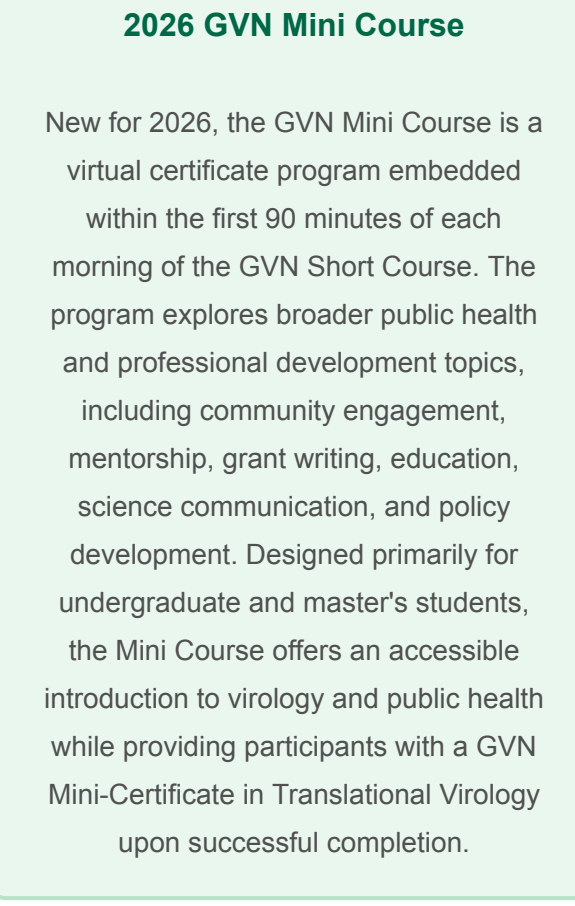
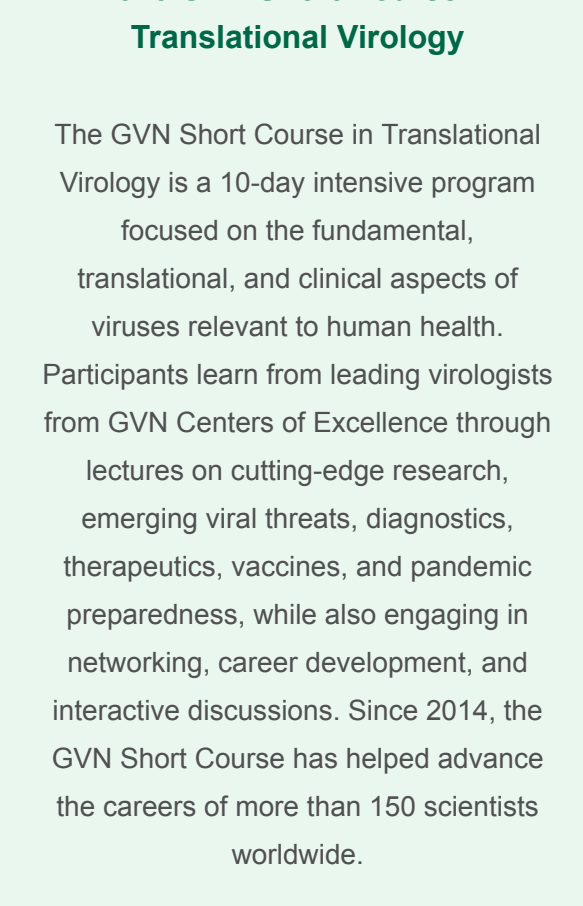


Announcements

2026 GVN Short Course in Translational Virology & Mini Course

November 2 –13, 2026

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 in the News

News Articles & Press Coverage

NAMAM to Confer Lifetime Achievement Award on Dr. M. V. Pillai



"Nothing is impossible when it is desired with sufficient intensity"
Dr. M. V. Pillai

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Date: July 18, 2026

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Measles cases reach highest level in 35 years in the US.



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Date: July 23, 2026

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Global Virus Network hosts high school program in Tampa



Media Outlet: *St Pete Catalyst*

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4 disease outbreaks making people sick this summer



Media Outlet: *Dessert News*

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Date: July 24, 2026

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GVN with the Support of the USF Brings Florida High School Students to the Front Lines of Pandemic Preparedness



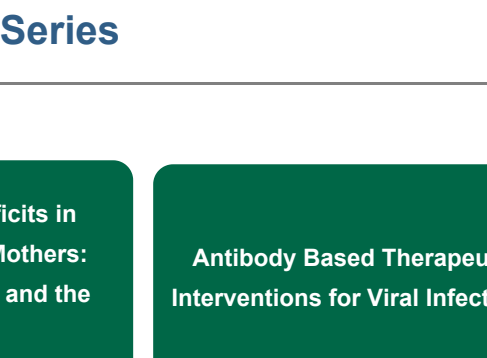
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Program introduces Florida students to virology and pandemic preparedness



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Media Analytics

July 2026 Media Coverage Snapshot

Total Mentions
191

July 2026

Average Reach
610,936

July 2026

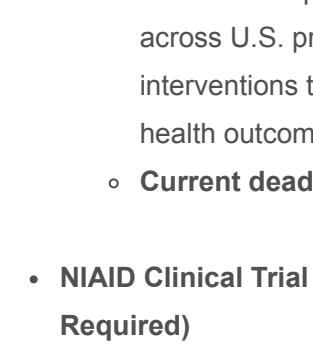
Countries Covered
15

July 2026

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GVN Webinar Series

From Response to Readiness: Building One Health Molecular Diagnostic and Genomic Surveillance Capacity in the Caribbean

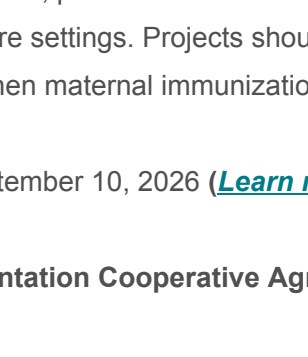


Thursday, 27 August 2026
Christine Carrington, PhD

Professor of Molecular Genetics and Virology at The University of the West Indies (UWI) in Trinidad and Tobago

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

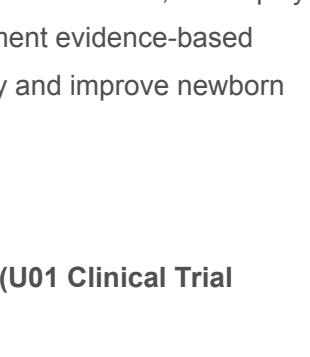


Thursday, 30 July 2026
Aditya N. Bade, PhD

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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External Grants & Opportunities

- **UNEP Call for Proposals: Harmonized Wastewater & Environmental Surveillance in Africa**
 - Supports governmental institutions and intergovernmental organizations in African countries to implement harmonized wastewater and environmental surveillance (WES) systems. Up to five country grants of USD 135,000 will support national implementation of surveillance approaches that strengthen public health preparedness and environmental monitoring.
 - **Current deadline:** August 19, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **NIH High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program (Multiple NIH Director's Awards)**
 - Supports exceptionally creative researchers pursuing bold, innovative ideas with the potential for broad impact across biomedical, behavioral, and social sciences. Four NIH Director's Awards are available, including the Early Independence Award, which enables outstanding early career investigators to bypass traditional postdoctoral training and launch independent research careers.
 - **Current deadline:** September 10, 2026 ([Learn more](#))
- **Pfizer Global Medical Grants: Maternal RSV Immunization Quality Improvement RFP**
 - Supports independent quality improvement initiatives that improve maternal RSV vaccination uptake, access, provider communication, care coordination, and equity across U.S. prenatal care settings. Projects should implement evidence-based interventions to strengthen maternal immunization delivery and improve newborn health outcomes.
 - **Current deadline:** September 10, 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.

Center of Excellence (COE) Highlights



University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover - The Research Center for Emerging Infections and Zoonoses (RIZ)

The Research Center for Emerging Infections and Zoonoses (RIZ) at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover is a leading One Health research center dedicated to understanding emerging animal and human viruses. Equipped with state-of-the-art biosafety laboratories and animal facilities, RIZ advances infectious disease research, develops intervention strategies, and fosters interdisciplinary collaboration to improve the health of humans, animals, and the environment.

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IRESSEF (Institut de Recherche en Santé, de Surveillance Épidémiologique et de Formation)

The Institute for Health Research, Epidemiological Surveillance and Training (IRESSEF) is a leading public health research institute in Senegal advancing infectious disease research, laboratory capacity, and epidemiological surveillance across Africa. Through clinical trials, genomic research, workforce development, and regional laboratory networks, IRESSEF strengthens preparedness for HIV, viral hepatitis, Ebola, SARS-CoV-2, and other emerging infectious diseases while supporting global scientific collaboration.

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Upcoming Events

- [GVN's Short Course in Translational Virology & Mini Course](#), November 2- 13, 2026
- [The International Conference on HIV Persistence & Eradication](#), Dec 6–9, 2026
 - [Abstract Submissions](#) (deadline: August 21, 2026)
 - [Scholarships Available](#) (deadline: August 21, 2026)
- [Respi-DART 2026](#), December 9–11, 2026 | Cabo San Lucas, Mexico
 - [Abstract Submissions](#) (deadline: September 17, 2026)
 - [Scholarships Available](#) (deadline: September 17, 2026)
- [Consortium of Universities for Global Health \(CUGH\) 18th Annual Conference](#), February 25–28, 2027 | Lima, Peru
 - [Abstract Submissions](#) (deadline: August 31, 2026)

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