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OHSU Global Health Center - Travel Scholarships for 2009

We are proud to announce the winners of the OHSU Global Health Center Travel Scholarship research – education awards for 2009 and wish to thank the funders for their generous donations. See the [GHC Education > Scholarships](#) for a list of donors and awardees.

HIV Research Discovery

Louis Picker's OHSU lab at the Vaccine & Gene Therapy Institute was able to generate an immune response that was effective at the mucosa, where HIV is first encountered, and thereby prevent infection in 4/12 monkeys challenged with SIV (monkey HIV). They did this by using as vaccine vector CMV (a relatively benign herpes virus) that was engineered to encode a few SIV proteins. This is a big improvement over previous vaccine models that generally could not stop infection but kept the virus level low (if at all). View the [GHC Research page](#) for a summary, and the whole Nature Medicine article.

CardioStart

1. Invitation to Peru – read about this opportunity and more on the GHC website [GHC Collaboration > Opportunities](#) page
2. Ghana report

PAGAC

Congratulations to Portland Area Global AIDS Coalition for winning the poster competition at the recent GHEC and Western Regional International Health Conference in Seattle.

Health Bridges International – [Newsletter](#)

EVENTS

Health Equity and Diversity Open Forum

June 2 Health is a privilege and it is not granted equally. Come and explore this topic with us at a facilitated community forum, as we discuss the various factors that influence our health and the emotional impact of health disparities. Light snacks and refreshments will be served. Discussion to begin at 7pm. [Details](#).

Conversations in Global Health

June 10 *"Plastic Surgery in Botswana,"* Dr. B.C. Sharma, head of surgery at Princess Marina Hospital in Gaborone, south-east Botswana. Hosted in collaboration with the OHSU Dept. of Surgery.

Child Aid - Rock and Roll Benefit

June 19 Portland rockers [Pink Widower](#), [Chores](#) and the all new [Tine](#) will play a benefit show at [The World Famous Kenton Club](#) to help the community of Las Canoas, Guatemala. Proceeds from [the benefit](#), matched with training and support from [Child Aid](#), will help Las Canoas reopen its library, hire and train a librarian, and start a reading program for nearly 600 elementary school children!

- These brown bag seminars are held in the GHC/CROET 3524 from 12-1pm. Lunch provided for first 20 people



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NEWS FROM ACROSS THE NATION

U. S. Commitment to Global Health: Recommendations for the Public and Private Sectors

The IOM has released a report that investigates the U.S. commitment to global health and articulates a vision for future U.S. investments. It concludes that the U.S. government and U.S.-based foundations, universities, nongovernmental organizations, and commercial entities have an opportunity to improve global health. [IOM Report in brief](#).

Forgotten People, Forgotten Diseases: The Neglected Tropical Diseases and Their Impact on Global Health and Development.

Much of the world's population remains at risk of tropical diseases, and millions of individuals die each year. Many of these diseases are neglected through lack of progress in development of treatments and control programs, because they affect the poorest of the world's poor (p 11). *Forgotten People, Forgotten Diseases* is among the first books to tackle the topic of neglected tropical diseases (NTDs). [Read JAMA book review](#).

Job Opportunity at UW

The Office of Global Affairs (OGA) has an outstanding opportunity for an **International Travel Security & Information Manager**. This position has three main duties: to coordinate all policies, procedures and activities associated with the safety and welfare of UW students, faculty and staff traveling abroad for study or university business; to provide global emergency response services in the case of a health or safety emergency abroad; and to maintain data, information, databases and web sites related to OGA's general international activities. [Details](#).

Fogarty Global Health Matters - [Newsletter](#)

NEWS FROM ACROSS THE WORLD

Malarial parasites 'resist drugs'

Signs of possible beginning drug resistance seen for the artemisinin family of drugs --- the world's front-line defense against the most prevalent and deadly form of malaria. [Read more.](#)

MOI University, Kenya

"Emerging Trends in Reproductive Health." Medical students association of Moi University 3rd international scientific conference, 2nd - 5th September, 2009. The conference organizing committee appeals for any assistance financial, material or in support towards the Conference. [Draft conference proposal.](#)

South Asia hunger "at 40year high"

Unicef, says that 100 million more people in the region are going hungry compared with two years ago. [Read more.](#)

Turkish Ministry bans manual sandblasting after 40 deaths

The Health Ministry of Turkey announced in a written statement on Saturday that it has forbidden the manual sandblasting of denim fabric, a process that has so far led to hundreds of workers contracting the deadly lung disease silicosis. [Read more.](#)

Bamako, Mali workshop

The Ko-Falen Cultural Center located in Bamako, Mali, seeks to promote cultural, artistic and educational exchanges between the people of the United States and Mali through art workshops, dance, music and ceremony. The Center is currently accepting applications for Winter 2009-10 workshop sessions. [Website.](#)

Estancia, El Salvadore

Join Doctor for Global Health's longest-running project in Estancia, a village in the mountains of Northeast El Salvador. Work closely with health promoters and a team of local leaders in providing excellent clinical care and advocacy to poor, sick patients. See [GHC Collaboration > Opportunities](#)

Panama Global Connections

Reserve your spot for Nicaragua now. Panama Global Connections has a group going to Leon and Bluefields in July to learn, serve, practice medical Spanish, and have fun. We would love to have you along. Please contact us by June 10th to assure your spot. Family and friends welcome. [Details](#)
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