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Research news

Less than 1% of UK public research funding spent on antibiotic research in past 5 years (/news/latest/2014/07/UK-public-research-funding-on-antibiotic-research-25-07-14.aspx)

Less than 1% of research funding awarded by public and charitable bodies to UK researchers in 2008–13 was awarded for research on antibiotics, according to new research published in The Lancet Infectious Diseases.

25/07/2014

Student wins Poster Prize at Universitas 21 Conference (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/07/Student-wins-Poster-Prize-at-Universitas-21-Conference.aspx)

21/07/2014

Antiepileptic drugs taken during pregnancy may increase risk of impaired development for children (/news/latest/2014/07/antiepileptic-drugs-during-pregnancy-11-07-14.aspx)

New research suggests that taking antiepileptic drugs during pregnancy increases the risk of the child having impaired brain development.

11/07/2014

Students attend prestigious American Diabetes Association Conference (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/06/Students-attend-prestigious-American-Diabetes-Association-Conference.aspx)

01/07/2014

Public choose antibiotics as the winning theme for £10m prize (/news/latest/2014/06/antibiotic-resistance-wins-10m-prize-30-06-14.aspx)

Antibiotic resistance has been selected by the public as the focus for a £10m prize set up to tackle a major challenge of our time.

30/06/2014

Funding strengthens UK-Rio research links (/news/latest/2014/06/Funding-strengthens-UK-Rio-research-links.aspx)

The University of Birmingham and the University of Nottingham have a new funding agreement to work with leading research institutions in the Brazilian state of Rio de Janeiro. The agreement will initially support up to 10 collaborative research projects over two rounds of funding worth £340,000.

23/06/2014

Poll places College of Medical and Dental Sciences academics among world's most influential researchers (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/06/Poll-places-College-of-Medical-and-Dental-Sciences-academics-among-worlds-most-influential-researchers.aspx)

Two academics from the College of Medical and Dental Sciences have been named as Highly Cited Researchers in a prestigious list of the world's leading scientific minds.

23/06/2014

Poll places Birmingham academics among world's most influential researchers (/news/latest/2014/06/Poll-places-Birmingham-academics-among-worlds-most-influential-researchers.aspx)

Four academics from the University of Birmingham have been named as Highly Cited Researchers in a prestigious list of the world's leading scientific minds.

20/06/2014

Spotlight on the Cancer Research UK Clinical Trials Unit (CRCTU) at the University of Birmingham (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/06/crctu.aspx)

The Cancer Research UK Clinical Trials Unit (CRCTU) forms part of the School of Cancer Sciences at the University and is one of the largest cancer trials units in the UK and has been in existence for more than 30 years. Over the next five days they are going to share some of the exciting clinical research being done at the unit and will also be touching on related topical events throughout the week on their new blog.

18/06/2014

University of Birmingham's arthritis research centre opens its doors (/news/latest/2014/06/University-of-Birminghams-

arthritis-research-centre-opens-its-doors-16-06-14.aspx)

Olympic gold-winning rower Katherine Grainger has officially opened a major new research centre for arthritis, co-founded by the University of Birmingham.

10/06/2014

Race against time to prevent deadly spread of polio (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/05/race-against-time-to-prevent-deadly-spread-of-polio.aspx)

Poliomyelitis is a devastating, highly infectious viral disease. It is spread from person to person or through poor sanitary conditions. It can kill those infected or result in permanent paralysis to the limbs and chest. The best 'treatment' is prevention, and the best available means of prevention is vaccination.

30/05/2014

Are Fukushima's children developing thyroid cancer? (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/04/Are-Fukushimas-children-developing-thyroid-cancer.aspx)

There have been a number of alarming media reports in recent weeks, citing significant increases in the number of children in Fukushima diagnosed with thyroid cancer. Three years after the Daiichi nuclear power plant suffered a triple meltdown, releasing huge quantities of radiation into the atmosphere, the latest figures from the Fukushima Health Management Survey have been released.

20/05/2014

Study identifies new, effective way to diagnose latent TB (/news/latest/2014/05/15-May-14-Study-identifies-new,-effective-way-to-diagnose-latent-TB-.aspx)

A study co-authored by the University of Birmingham has identified the most effective way to test people with latent tuberculosis (TB), a potentially fatal infection that has increased in the UK in recent years.

15/05/2014

University of Birmingham's 'top ten' celebrates global impact (/news/latest/2014/05/University-of-Birminghams-top-ten-celebrates-global-impact.aspx)

For more than 100 years, research at the University of Birmingham has had a major impact on the world, from pioneering transplant surgery, the use of microwaves and creating artificial Vitamin C. This world-changing research is now being celebrated with a new 'top ten' list of academic pioneers.

09/05/2014

The College of Medical and Dental Sciences Achieves Silver Athena SWAN Award (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/05/Athena-SWAN-Award.aspx)

The College of Medical and Dental Sciences has achieved a Silver Athena Swan Award, recognising excellence in women's employment in science, technology, engineering, maths and medicine (STEMM) in higher education.

06/05/2014

Revolutionary clinical trial is launched (/schools/cancer/news/cancer-trial.aspx)

Revolutionary Clinical trial aims to advance lung cancer treatment thanks to Cancer Research UK and Pharma Partnership.

17/04/2014

Family cooking lessons and fun exercise could be the key to cutting childhood obesity (/news/latest/2014/04/family-cooking-lessons-and-fun-exercise-could-be-the-key-to-cutting-childhood-obesity.aspx)

Organising cooking lessons for parents and children and planning extra exercise classes in school time are some of the activities that have shown promise in preventing obesity in primary school aged children, a University of Birmingham study published today has shown.

15/04/2014

International liver congress (/research/activity/mds/centres/liver/news/international-liver-congress.aspx)

Liver disease is rarely out of the press these days with rising numbers placing it as the UK's fifth highest killer. Each year the world's leading scientific researchers meet at a congress specifically relating to the study of liver disease called the 'European Association for the Study of the Liver' (EASL), which in 2014 is held in London. The latest research and findings are shared and the best scientific minds discuss causes, prevention and treatments.

09/04/2014

Key Lecture on Antibiotic Resistance by Dame Sally Davies, Chief Medical Officer for England (/schools/immunity-infection/news/Dame-Sally-Davies,-CMO-of-England,-presents-a-key-lecture-.aspx)

Dame Sally has been quoted as saying that antibiotic resistance is "as big a threat to human health as climate change" and started her talk with a

quote from a 2013 Lancet article: "We are at the dawn of a postantibiotic era… with almost all disease causing bacteria resistant to the antibiotics commonly used to treat them".

08/04/2014

We...will...educate...you. University of Birmingham robot helps to launch British Science Festival (/news/latest/2014/04/launch-of-british-science-festival-7-04-14.aspx)

The British Science Festival 2014, a flagship event being hosted by the University of Birmingham, launches in the city tomorrow (Tuesday) – with the help of a real-life TV star and a humanoid robot.

07/04/2014

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