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Research news

Divide and Conquer: novel trick helps rare pathogen infect healthy people (/news/latest/2014/10/divide-and-conquer-17-10-14.aspx)

New research into a rare pathogen has shown how a unique evolutionary trait allows it to infect even the healthiest of hosts through a smart solution to the body's immune response against it.

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Poor quality data is informing the future of our patient care, warns study (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/10/Poor-quality-data-informing-the-future-of-our-patient-care-16-10-14.aspx)

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Volunteers needed for a clinical trial to advance research into blood cancer (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/10/volunteers-needed-for-a-clinical-trial-to-advance-research-into-blood-cancer.aspx)

14/10/2014

Birmingham puts LGBTQ identities at the heart of its curriculum (/news/latest/2014/10/lgbtq-curriculum.aspx)

The University of Birmingham is taking steps to ensure that its curriculum is inclusive towards those with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer (LGBTQ) identities.

14/10/2014

Great alumni join Great Birmingham Run (/alumni/news/items/2014/Great-alumni-join-Great-Birmingham-Run.aspx)

08/10/2014

£13 million award backs world-class research supporting Midlands bioeconomy (/news/latest/2014/10/13-million-award-backs-bioeconomy-03-10-14.aspx)

Three of the Midlands' leading universities have been awarded £13 Million for a "Doctoral Training Partnership" to provide research training to support the Midlands bioeconomy.

03/10/2014

MPharm project shortlisted for a national e-learning award (/university/colleges/eps/STEM/news/MPharm-project-shortlisted.aspx)

News item. The virtual chemistry for pharmacy (MPharm) project has been shortlisted in the National E-Learning Awards 2014.

02/10/2014

Stubbing out smoking can light up your mental health (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/02/Stubbing-out-smoking-can-light-up-your-mental-health.aspx)

Stopping smoking is associated with a significant improvement in mental health, equal to or larger than the effect from a course of anti-depressants,

researchers at the University of Birmingham and Oxford have found.

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Age no barrier to exercise, new training course shows (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/02/age-no-barrier-to-exercise.aspx)

The mince pies and Christmas cake may be a distant memory, but older adults can still beat the post-Christmas bulge, as a new training scheme designed to teach instructors how to run exercise classes for older people kicks off in Birmingham.

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Commercial schemes are key to weight loss success, study finds (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/Commercial-schemes-are-key-to-weight-loss-success,-study-finds.aspx)

Public health authorities should consider commissioning a range of commercial weight loss programmes to help in the fight against obesity, University of Birmingham researchers have found.

30/09/2014

Birmingham researchers pioneer revolutionary treatment to reduce disabilities in neonatal twins (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/Birmingham-researchers-pioneer-revolutionary-treatment-to-reduce-disabilities-in-neonatal-twins.aspx)

The number of children suffering severe disabilities after treatment for a deadly condition affecting just over 10% of all identical twin pregnancies could be dramatically reduced after University of Birmingham researchers pioneered a new treatment, in collaboration with other experts in Europe, resulting in better outcomes for babies affected.

30/09/2014

Women still not given a sporting chance to appear in back page headlines (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/Women-still-not-given-a-sporting-chance-to-appear-in-back-page-headlines.aspx)

The amount of column inches devoted to women's sport in British national papers has actually decreased from the level it was at prior to the 2012 Olympic Games, University of Birmingham researchers have established.

30/09/2014

Pioneering stem cell therapies to be trialled in Birmingham (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/Pioneering-stem-cell-therapies-to-be-trialled-in-Birmingham.aspx)

University of Birmingham researchers are to lead a worldwide collaboration of scientists looking at the possibility of transplanting stem cells from one person to another to reduce inflammation in the liver.

30/09/2014

Miscarriage risk increases for women who respond poorly to IVF ovarian stimulation (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/Miscarriage-risk-increases-for-women-who-respond-poorly-to-IVF-ovarian-stimulation.aspx)

Women who respond to IVF treatment with low numbers of eggs are at increased risk of miscarriage, a study co-authored by University of Birmingham researchers has found.

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Chief Medical Officer to speak on antibiotic resistance (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/Chief-Medical-Officer-to-speak-on-antibiotic-resistance.aspx)

The Chief Medical Officer for England, Professor Dame Sally Davies, is to outline the current national and international picture on antibiotic resistance in a speech at the University of Birmingham.

30/09/2014

New test to deduce diabetes risk in polycystic ovary syndrome sufferers (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/New-test-to-deduce-diabetes-risk-in-polycystic-ovary-syndrome-sufferers.aspx)

Scientists at the University of Birmingham have uncovered a new method to identify and test women with polycystic ovary syndrome who are at high risk of going onto develop diabetes.

30/09/2014

University of Birmingham launches trial to fight cancer caused by a common virus (/university/colleges/mds/news/2014/03/University-of-Birmingham-launches-trial-to-fight-cancer-caused-by-a-common-virus.aspx)

The trial of a vaccine which can treat some forms of cancer caused by a common herpes virus known as the Epstein Barr Virus (EBV) has been launched by Cancer Research UK's Drug Development Office (DDO) at the University of Birmingham.

30/09/2014

Family cooking lessons and fun exercise could be the key to cutting childhood obesity (/university/colleges/mds/news/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.

30/09/2014

Study identifies new, effective way to diagnose latent TB (/university/colleges/mds/news/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.

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