

## **Nomination Statement – Clive Gray**

I have been involved with the IUIS since 2013, when I became a member of the Clinical Immunology Committee and then later the vice chair in 2015. I also became a member of the IUIS Education Committee (EC) in 2014 and assumed the Chair in 2023. It is an honour to lead the EC and implement training and educational strategies – both in person and on-line to low-to-middle-income countries. I am also a member of FOCIS and direct a FOCIS Center of Excellence in South Africa. Additionally, as the current President of the Federation of African Immunology Societies (FAIS), I would bring an African spirit and voice to Council. As a member of Council, I would ensure that the different voices of immunology are brought to the table to facilitate collaborations across IUIS committees and synchronized educational approaches.

My immunology research focuses on the inflammatory mechanisms involved in precipitating pre-term birth and adverse birth outcomes by investigating cellular and molecular events in placentae collected from mothers infected with HIV and CMV. I lead a research group to identify how immunological tolerance at the maternal-fetal interface is broken due to maternal HIV and how this affects the ontogeny of infant immunity in HIV exposed uninfected children. I also lead a newly funded consortium: Next generation training in HIV Research: Immunity in the First 1000 days in mother-infant dyads (TIGRIS), consisting of investigators and educators in Africa, North America and Europe around reproductive immunology.

## **Clive Maurice Gray**

- *Professor of Immunology in Division of Immunology, Biomedical Research Institute, Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa*
- *Emeritus Professor, Division of Immunology, Department of Pathology University of Cape Town*

## **PERSONAL DETAILS**

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## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

1996-1998	Stanford University, Center for AIDS Research Post-doctoral Fellow, HIV Immunology
1994	University of the Witwatersrand PhD, Immunology
1987	University of the Witwatersrand MSc, Immunology
1984	University of Western England (formerly Bristol Polytechnic) BSc (Hons), Applied Biological Sciences

## **AWARDS AND HONOURS**

2025	South African Medical Research Council, Gold Award ( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wktTCOUcq4&amp;list=PPSV&amp;t=2s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wktTCOUcq4&amp;list=PPSV&amp;t=2s</a> )
2024	Elected as President of the Federation of African Immunology Societies (FAIS)
2023	Harry Oppenheimer Fellowship, Oppenheimer Memorial Trust ( <a href="https://www.omt.org.za/hfo-award">https://www.omt.org.za/hfo-award</a> )
2023	Finalist, National Science and Technology Forum
2023	Elected as Chair of the IUIS Education Committee
2022	Appointed as visiting Professor of University of Milan, Italy
2021	Elected as Vice-President of the Federation of Immunology Societies (FAIS)
2016	Elected as President of the International Union of Immunology Societies (IUIS) Immunology Congress in 2023
2013	Elected member of the Academy of South African Sciences
2010	Science Prize for Online Resources in Education (SPORE), American Association for the Advancement of Science.

2004-2007	International Leadership Award, Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation.
2005	Appointed as adjunct Professor of Immunology, Duke University, USA
2003-2005	Appointed as visiting Professor of Immunology, Duke University, USA
1999	Awarded Fogarty Fellowship, Fogarty AIDS International Training and Research Program (AITRP), Columbia University
1995-1997	Awarded James Gear Fellowship by the Poliomyelitis Research Foundation, South Africa, for research at Stanford University, USA
1993	Sandimmun (Sandoz) Award for the most outstanding scientific paper presented at 15 <sup>th</sup> Congress of the South African Transplantation Society and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Interim Congress of the South African Immunology Society.
1989	David Hepburn Award, Natal Kidney Association. A Fellowship awarded to perform research in the Nuffield Department of Surgery, University of Oxford.

### **PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

2023-	<b>Professor of Immunology</b> , Division of Immunology, Biomedical Research Institute, Stellenbosch University, Cape Town
2021-	<b>Group Leader</b> , Reproductive Research Consortium in Africa (RIRCA), Biomedical Research Institute, Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa
2021-23	<b>Professor of Immunology in Molecular Biology and Human Genetics</b> , Department of Biomedical Sciences, Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa
2021-	<b>Emeritus Professor of Immunology</b> , Department of Pathology, University of Cape Town, South Africa.
2016-	<b>Member</b> of the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)
2011-2021	<b>Chair, Professor and Head of Immunology</b> , University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa.
2011-2021	<b>Director</b> , Laboratory for Tissue Immunology, National Health Laboratory services/Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa
2021-	<b>Adjunct Member</b> , Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine, University of Cape Town, South Africa.
2011-2021	<b>Full Member</b> , Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine, University of Cape Town, South Africa.
2003-	<b>Adjunct Professor</b> , Department of Immunology, Duke University, North Carolina, USA.
2003-2010	<b>Chief Specialist Scientist</b> , Head of Department, HIV Immunology, National Institute for Communicable Diseases, Johannesburg, South Africa.
2005-2010	<b>Adjunct member</b> , of the Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine, University of Cape Town, South Africa.
2004-2007	<b>Visiting Professor</b> , South African National Bioinformatics Institute, University of the Western Cape, South Africa.

2002-2003	<b>Principal Specialist Scientist</b> , AIDS Research Unit, National Institute for Communicable Diseases, Johannesburg, South Africa.
2000-2001	<b>Senior Specialist Scientist</b> , AIDS Research Unit, National Institute for Communicable Diseases, Johannesburg, South Africa.
1998-2000	<b>Assistant Director</b> , Medical Natural Scientist, AIDS Research Unit, National Institute for Communicable Diseases (formerly National Institute for Virology), Johannesburg, South Africa.
1996-1998	<b>Post-doctoral Fellow</b> , Center for AIDS Research, Stanford University Medical Center, California, USA.
1993-1995	<b>Lecturer</b> , Department of Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology, Medical School, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa.
1990-1993	<b>Research Officer</b> , Transplantation Research Unit, Department of Surgery, Medical School, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa.
1989-1990	<b>Visiting junior scientist</b> , Nuffield Department of Surgery, Tissue typing Laboratory, John Radcliffe Hospital, Headington, UK.
1985-1990	<b>Junior Research Officer</b> , Transplantation Research Unit, Department of Surgery, Medical School, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa.
1982-1983	<b>Research Student</b> , Equine Research Station, Animal Health Trust, Newmarket, Suffolk, UK.

## **PROFESSIONAL ROLES**

2024-2026	<b>President</b> of the Federation of African Immunology Societies (FAIS)
2024-current	<b>Director</b> of the Federation of Clinical Immunology Societies Center of Excellence at Stellenbosch University
2019-current	<b>Executive Director</b> , Immunopaedia Foundation. Non-Profit Company (NPC and PBO).
2016-2023	<b>President</b> of the 18 <sup>th</sup> IUIS International Conference on Immunology 2023, Cape Town
2021-2024	<b>Vice-President</b> , FAIS
2018-2021	<b>Secretary-General</b> , FAIS
2016-current	<b>South African National Chair</b> of the International Council of Scientific Union committee of the IUIS
2016-current	<b>Scientific Advisory Board</b> . Sub-Saharan African Network for TB/HIV Research Excellence (SANTHE).
2014-2017	<b>President, South African Immunology Society (SAIS).</b>
2013-2018	<b>Carnegie Foundation Stakeholder coordinator</b> , IDM, Faculty of Health Sciences, UCT.
2011-2013	<b>Data Safety Monitoring Board</b> , Aurum Institute, Johannesburg, South Africa, Statens Serum Institut, Copenhagen, Denmark.
2006-2011	<b>Scientific Advisory Board</b> , Biomarkers for Protective Immunity of TB in Africa, Grand Challenges in Global Health, GC6 (PI: Stefan Kaufman).
2002-2010	<b>Principal Investigator</b> , HIV Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN) Regional Immunology Laboratory, measuring vaccine-induced

- immunogenicity in clinical trials and operating under GCLP conditions.
- 2004-2007 **Convener of Community talks**, (Lay Person lectures) at the HVTN full group meetings, Seattle and Washington DC, USA.
- 2007 **Invited panel member** by WHO, UNAIDS and ANRS to a consultation meeting on Potential Endpoints of HIV Vaccine Efficacy, Paris, France.
- 2005-2007 **Invited panel member** by the Academy of Science of South Africa to develop a Consensus Study on Nutrition, HIV/AIDS and TB, Pretoria, South Africa.
- 2003-2007 **Co-chair**, Laboratory Sciences Committee of the HVTN.
- 1997 **Lecturer**, Advanced Immunology, Stanford University, California, USA
- 1991-1993 **Director, Flow Cytometry Laboratory**, Claude Harris Leon Foundation Flow Cytometry Unit, Medical School, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 1989-1990 **Research Fellow**, Nuffield Department of Surgery, University of Oxford, UK.

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<https://rirca.science/>

## **MANAGEMENT AND COMMITTEES**

### **Institutional**

- 2021-current Teaching and Learning Task Team, Stellenbosch University
- 2020-2021 Chair. Department of Pathology Research Committee, UCT
- 2011-2021 Executive Committee, IDM, Education Portfolio, UCT
- 2011-2021 Chair, Education Committee of the IDM, UCT
- 2011-2021 Chair, Executive Committee of the Division of Immunology, UCT
- 2016-2021 Readmissions Committee, UCT
- 2011-2021 Executive member of the Department of Pathology (formerly known as Clinical Laboratory Sciences), UCT
- 2011-2021 Pathology Management Committee, UCT and NHLS
- 2015-2018 Chair, Transformation Equity Committee, Department of Pathology, UCT
- 2016-2018 Transformation Equity Committee, Faculty of Health Sciences, UCT
- 1998-2010 Management Committee, National Institute for Communicable Diseases, South Africa.

### **National**

- 2021-2023 Member, National Immunisation Safety Expert Committee (NISEC)
- 2021-2023 Member, vaccine Ministerial Advisory Committee (vMAC) on COVID-19 vaccines
- 2020-current Expert Committee on COVID-19 rapid testing, South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA).
- 2015-2016 Chair, Pathology Expert Chairs Committee, National Health Laboratory Services (NHLS).
- 2015 Chair, Medical Scientist Committee, NHLS.

2015-2016	Executive Committee, NHLS
2014-2017	<u>Chair</u> , Executive Committee of the South African Immunology Society (SAIS)
2014-2015	Research sub-committee of the NAPC, NHLS
2013-2016	National Academic Pathology Committee (NAPC), NHLS
2011-2015	<u>Chair</u> , NHLS Immunology Expert Committee
2009-2014	South African Immunology Society (SAIS), Education portfolio.
2002-2011	Executive Committee, Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa (CAPRISA), South Africa.
2002-2012	<u>Chair</u> : Scientific Research Sub-Committee, CAPRISA, South Africa.
2002-2007	Vaccine Development Team, South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative (SAAVI).

### **International**

2023-current	Chair, Education Committee of the IUIS
2020-2021	Chair, Scientific Programme Committee, 11 <sup>th</sup> Federation of African Immunology Societies Congress, Malawi.
2018-2023	Vice-Chair, Education Committee of the IUIS
2016-2020	International Scientific Advisory Committee (ISAC) of STARBIOS2 (Supporting structural change in research organisations to promote Responsible Research and Innovation) project
2015-current	Executive Committee of the Federation of African Immunology Societies (FAIS).
2014-2017	Vice-chair of the Clinical Immunology Committee of the International Union of Immunology Societies (IUIS).
2011-2014	Clinical Immunology Committee (member), International Union of Immunology Societies (IUIS).
2010-2012	Technical Advisory Committee, OPTIMALVAC, European Vaccine Initiative.
2009-2012	Vaccine Trial Steering Committee, EDCTP/UK MRC funded paediatric vaccine trial.
2007-2014	Operations and Training Committee, Canadian African Prevention Trials Network (CAPT).
2007-2014	Steering Committee (CAPT).
2001-2006	Phase III Vaccine Trials Committee, HIV Vaccine Trials Network, USA.

## **EDUCATION COMMITMENTS**

### **Undergraduate**

1. Oversight and curriculum development of undergraduate medical student immunology in semesters 3, 4 and 5 (First and second year of a 6-year course). 2011-2021
2. Introduction of Basic Immunology in 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate medical students (in semester 2). 2013-2021
3. Lectures the basics of immunology in Language of Medicine; five lectures at the start of year 2 undergraduate medical students. 2011-current
4. Lectures on malaria and HIV immunopathogenesis, prevention and treatment at the end of year 2 medical students. 2011-2021

5. Curriculum development and teaching infant immune ontogeny to the undergraduate molecular medicine students (third year intercalated medical students). 2011-current
6. Curriculum development for 3<sup>rd</sup> year physiology students. 2013-2021

### **Postgraduate**

7. Lectures to basis and advanced immunology Honours course, Stellenbosch University, 2021-current
8. Oversight and curriculum development for the two semester Advanced Immunology Course (PTY6001W). This is a course given to MSc, PhD, post-doctoral fellows and clinician scientists to highlight the basics and new developments in immunology. 2011-2021
9. Lectures on anatomical arrangement of the immune system, T cell memory, inflammation and tolerance, paradigms in immunology on course PTY6001W. 2011-2021
10. Curriculum development of the Infectious Disease and Immunology (IDI, PTY4001W) honours module on immunology. 2011-2021
11. Lectures on HIV and Ebola vaccines in the IDI Honours vaccinology module. 2015-2022

### **NON-INSTITUTIONAL IMMUNOLOGY EDUCATION COMMITMENTS**

I have been co-organiser of the following immunology courses throughout Africa, Latin America and India. I have participated in each course, given lectures and been involved in workshopping grant writing throughout the courses. Additionally, Immunopaedia (<https://www.immunopaedia.org.za/>) has been used to post course content either prior to the course (as with all IUIS-sponsored) and post course material in the case of KENBOP and MALBOP and now known as AFRIBOP. This is indefinite free access to the material for all scholars and Faculty of the course. I have trained over 1200 young students on these courses over the past 10 years, some of who have become high profile academics in their own right.

1. Upcoming: IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Madagascar
2. Upcoming: IUIS-ALACI Immuno-Peru
3. Upcoming: IUIS-FIMSA Immuno-Cambodia
4. IUIS-FAIS-SAIS Immuno-South Africa. Theme: One Health, Pretoria, 30 Sept – 4 Oct 2024, South Africa
5. IUIS-ALACI short course on abstract/poster preparation, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024, Buenos Aries, Argentina
6. IUIS-ALACI ImmunoMexico. Theme: Mechanism for Immunotherapies, Oaxaca, Mexico, 8-12<sup>th</sup> April 2024
7. IUIS-ALACI ImmunoChile. Theme: *Mucosal Immunology*, Santiago, Chile, 16-21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2023
8. IUIS-FAIS ImmunoMorocco. Theme: *Cancer Immunotherapy*, Marrakech, Morocco, 5-10<sup>th</sup> June 2023
9. IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Zambia, Theme: *The big four: HIV, TB, malaria and COVID*. Lusaka, Zambia, 5-10<sup>th</sup> December 2022.
10. AfriBop, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Blantyre, Malawi, November, 2022
11. IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Tunisia, On-line only (due to COVID-19). 6-10<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Theme: *Immune Dysregulation and Infection*.

12. AfriBop, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Online only (due to COVID-19), October, 2021
13. IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Colombia, On-line only (due to COVID-19). 5-16<sup>th</sup> April 2021. *Theme: Mechanisms and Approaches to Immunotherapy for Cancer and Chronic Inflammatory Diseases.*
14. IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Algeria, On-line only (due to COVID-19). 1-12<sup>th</sup> June 2020. *Theme: Allergy in Africa.*
15. IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Ethiopia, Bahir Dar, Ethiopia 24-29 February 2020. *Theme: Neglected Tropical Diseases and Malaria Challenges in Sub-Saharan Africa*
16. IUIS-FAIS Immuno-Benin, Ouidah, Benin 3-10 November 2019. *Theme: Impact of tropical infections on mother and child immunity*
17. AfriBop, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Online only (due to COVID-19), August, 2020
18. IUIS-FIMSA Immuno India. Jaipur, India, 12-16 October 2019. *Theme: Advanced Translational Immunology.*
19. AfriBop, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Kenya, Kilifi, August, 2019
20. 14<sup>th</sup> Annual African Vaccinology Course, Cape Town, November 2018
21. KENBOP-3, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Kenya, Kilifi, September, 2018
22. IUIS-FAIS Immuno Kenya, Nairobi, September, 2018. *Theme: Viruses hijacking host immune responses.*
23. IUIS-FAIS Immuno Morocco, Fez, March, 2018. *Theme: mechanisms underlying immune responses in cancer, inflammation, the recent advances in immunotherapy and emerging research in these fields.*
24. IUIS-FAIS Immuno Gambia, Banjul, Gambia, November 2017. *Theme: Malaria, HIV, tuberculosis, helminth and viral infections*
25. 13<sup>th</sup> Annual African Vaccinology Course, Cape Town, November 2017
26. MALBOP-3, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Malawi, Blantyre, September, 2017
27. IUIS-IDA Immuno South Africa, Cape Town, September 2017. *Theme: Immune Escape Strategies by HIV, TB and malaria.*
28. IUIS-FAIS Immuno Ethiopia, Gondar. Ethiopia, March 2017. *Theme: developments in the immunology, diagnosis and treatment of Cutaneous and Visceral Leishmaniasis, Schistosomiasis and Helminth infections.*
29. KENBOP-3, Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis, Kilifi, Kenya, September 2016.
30. IUIS-Federation of Immunology Societies (FAIS) Immuno Tunisia, Hammamet, Tunisia, March 2016. *Theme: Immune regulation and cancers.*
31. IUIS-Infectious Disease in Africa (IDA) Immuno-South Africa, Cape Town. October 2015. *Theme: Biomarkers and Correlates of Immune Control in HIV, TB and Malaria.*
32. IUIS-Association of Latin American Immunology Immuno-Colombia, Medellin, October 2015. *Theme: Immune Regulation in Health and Disease.*
33. 1<sup>st</sup> Immuno-Kenya International Union of Immunology Societies (IUIS) course. Nairobi, December 2014

### **ON-LINE EDUCATION**

In 2004, I was awarded the International Leadership Award from the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation. This enabled me to establish Immunopaedia



(<https://www.immunopaedia.org.za/>), an open-source immunology learning and teaching website. This was initially focused on the immunology of paediatric, but since 2014 has broadened to encompass both communicable and non-communicable diseases. Using clinical case studies, the underlying immunology aetiology is highlighted and by so doing imparting immunology knowledge to clinicians. After partnering with the International Union of Immunology Societies (IUIS) in 2015, the content of the immunopaedia has substantially expanded and part of the focus is now to support IUIS courses (see above) by offering pre-course training. In 2025, we will be celebrating 20 years of active on-line learning through Immunopaedia.

### **WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS ORGANIZED**

Over the past twenty-five years, I have organized several workshops, seminars and meetings designed to educate and improve academic and technical skills in South Africa:

2025	FAIS Immunology Primer and 12 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>HIV, malaria and TB Vaccine Research</i> ; Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa. 3-7 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
2023	FAIS Immunology Primer and 11 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>HIV, malaria and TB Vaccine Research in the time of the COVID-19 pandemic</i> ; Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa. 3-7 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
2021	IUIS-FAIS Immunology Primer and 10 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>HIV, malaria and TB Vaccine Research in the time of the COVID-19 pandemic</i> ; Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa. 11-14 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
2019	IUIS-FAIS Immunology Primer and 9 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>Innate Immunity and vaccines to malaria, TB and HIV</i> ; UCT, Cape Town, South Africa. 7-11 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
2019	4 <sup>th</sup> Stakeholder led Research Prioritization Event around pre-term birth, Cape Town, 1-2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019
2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Stakeholder led Research Prioritization Event around pre-term birth, Cape Town, 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2019
2019	Chair, 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting on Pre-Term Birth Dialogues, Cape Town, 27-29 <sup>th</sup> January 2019
2018	IUIS-FAIS Immunology Primer and 8 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>INTERPLAY BETWEEN INNATE, ADAPTIVE &amp; MUCOSAL IMMUNE RESPONSES TO VACCINES</i> ; UCT, Cape Town, South Africa. 11-17 <sup>th</sup> November
2017	Chair of the 7 <sup>th</sup> SAIS Conference, Immune Tolerance, 3-6 <sup>th</sup> September, Gordons Bay, Cape Town, South Africa
2017	IUIS-FAIS Immunology Primer and 7 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>Immune escape from HIV, TB and malaria</i> , Gordons Bay, Cape Town, South Africa. 1-9 <sup>th</sup> September
2015	IUIS-FAIS Immunology Primer and 6 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: <i>Biomarkers of Immune Control in</i>

	HIV, TB and malaria, UCT, Cape Town, South Africa. 20-24 <sup>th</sup> October
2014	Immunology Primer and 5 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: Immune regulation and dysfunction in malaria, TB and HIV, UCT, Cape Town, South Africa. 21-26 <sup>th</sup> October
2014	Carnegie-K-RITH MSc/PhD/Post-Doc Retreat, 6-7 <sup>th</sup> October, Devon Valley Hotel, Stellenbosch.
2013	4 <sup>th</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: "Measurement of Immune Responses", UCT, Cape Town, South Africa
2011	3 <sup>rd</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: "Measurement of Immune Responses", UCT, Cape Town, South Africa followed by the 4 <sup>th</sup> African Workshop on Flow Cytometry: "Detection of Antigen-Specific T Cells by Intracellular Cytokine Staining (ICS)".
2009	2 <sup>nd</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: "Measurement of Immune Responses", Johannesburg, South Africa followed by the 3 <sup>rd</sup> African Workshop on Flow Cytometry: "Detection of Antigen-Specific T Cells by Intracellular Cytokine Staining (ICS)".
2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Immunopaedia Workshop: a novel immunology teaching tool, 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2008, Stellenbosch University Medical School, Cape Town, South Africa.
2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> African CHAVI meeting, November.
2007	Trojan Horses, Immunology and the Clinic: introducing Immunopaedia, Stellenbosch University Medical School, Cape Town, South Africa.
2007	1 <sup>st</sup> Symposium on Infectious Diseases in Africa: "Measurement of Immune Responses", Johannesburg, South Africa followed by the 2 <sup>nd</sup> African Workshop on Flow Cytometry: "Detection of Antigen-Specific T Cells by Intracellular Cytokine Staining (ICS)".
2006	NICD academic day.
2006	1 <sup>st</sup> African CHAVI meeting, November.
2006	HIV and the Gastrointestinal Tract, Academy of Science of South Africa, Department of Science and Technology, Pretoria.
2005	1 <sup>st</sup> African Workshop on Flow Cytometry: "Detection of Antigen-Specific T Cells by Intracellular Cytokine Staining (ICS)", NICD.
2005	Chair: Scientific Progress Towards Developing HIV Vaccines for South Africa, Durban AIDS Conference.
2005	Satellite Meeting on: Treatment and research options for paediatric HIV infection in South Africa: Towards Improving the Care of HIV-infected Children. Durban AIDS Conference.
2001-2004	WHO-TDR Bioinformatics workshop, SANBI, University of the Western Cape.
2000-2005	Continental-wide African workshops on the IFN $\gamma$ ELISPOT assay (two in South Africa in 2000 and 2002 and one in Nairobi in 2005).
2000	Chair of Scientific Sessions, AIDS 2000, Durban and the South African AIDS Conference 2003.
1997	Initiation of HIV vaccine development in South Africa – immunological correlates. Cape Town, South Africa.

1989 Flow Cytometry workshop, Department of Surgery, Wits Medical School.

### **SUPERVISION OF POST GRADUATE STUDENTS & FELLOWS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Institution</b>	<b>Year</b>
Valmy Calfert*	BSc (Hons)	UCT	2012
<i>T-cell responsiveness to C<math>\gamma</math>-cytokines in HIV infection</i>			
Rachel Esra*	BSc (Hons)	UCT	2015**
<i>Characterising immune activation and in the foreskin of young men undergoing medical male circumcision (MMC) in South Africa</i>			
Sandiswe Zelda	BSc (Hons)	UCT	2016**
<i>The effect of Medical Male Circumcision on penile microbiome and inflammation.</i>			
Michelle Barboure	BSc (Hons)	UCT	2018*
<i>Characterisation of CD4<sup>+</sup> CD25<sup>bright</sup> CD127<sup>low</sup> FoxP3<sup>+</sup> Regulatory T Cells in Placenta and Cord Blood in HIV-infected Pregnant Women</i>			
Christen de Costa	BSc (Hons)	UCT	2018
<i>HIV Target Cells In The Foreskin: Characterising And Phenotyping Of Migrating HIV Target Cells From Ex-Vivo Foreskin Tissue Taken From Men And Infants Undergoing Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision</i>			
Nzumbululelo Mudau	BSc (Hons)	UCT	2020
<i>Role of CCL17 in the Migration of T Regulatory Cells between HIV-exposed Infants and HIV-unexposed Infants</i>			
Kwakho Lihle Mtiki	BSc (Hons)	SU	2024
<i>Ex vivo modelling of Cytomegalovirus infection in placental decidua parietalis and villous tissue.</i>			
Tamika Pillay	BSc (Hons)	SU	2024
<i>Ex vivo modelling of Epstein Bar Virus infection in placental decidua parietalis and villous tissue.</i>			
Tumelo Mashishi	MSc	Wits	1999-2003
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Characterization of Nef from HIV-1 subtype C infected individuals</i>			
Stephina Nyoka	MSc	Wits	2006-2008
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>The Characteristics and Functional Nature of T Cells Upon HIV-1 Infection and Exposure</i>			
Elvis Kidzeru*	MSc	UCT	2011-2013
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>The Effect of HIV-exposure on Immune Responses to Expanded Programme on Immunization Vaccines and Antigens.</i>			
Christoph Tchakoute*	MSc	UCT	2012-2014
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Effects of delayed BCG vaccination on cellular immune responses in HIV-exposed infants</i>			

Trishana Nundallal*	MSc	UCT	2014-17**
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>CD4 and CD8 T-Cell Responses to Acellular Pertussis and Rotavirus Vaccination in Breast-fed HIV exposed, uninfected infants.</i>			
Rushil Harryparsad*	MSc	UCT	2014-2016
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Characterisation of Mucosal Tissue in the Foreskin after Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision.</i>			
Sophie Beer	MSc	FSU, Berlin	2015-2016
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>The effect of maternal HIV exposure on T cell responses to Bacillus Calmette-Guérin, tetanus and pertussis vaccine in infants.</i>			
Stephanus Rautenbach	MSc	UCT	2015-2018
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Peripheral Inflammatory and Regulatory Immune Changes in HIV positive to HIV positive Renal Transplant Recipients.</i>			
Nobomi Dontsa*	MSc	UCT	2016-2020
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Immunoregulatory and antiviral factors in Breast milk and Saliva associated with Anti HIV activity.</i>			
Yamkela Qumbelo*	MSc	UCT	2017-2021
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Immune regulation of Langerhan's cells</i>			
Shorouk Sebba*	MSc	UCT	2018 (ongoing)
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Identifying aspects of HIV target cells in foreskin tissue from males undergoing medical male circumcision.</i>			
Christen de Costa*	MSc	UCT	2019 (ongoing)
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Characterizing HIV Target Cells In The Foreskin</i>			
Hiba Nacef	MSc	SU (from Tunisia)	2023
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Measuring immunity in placenta tissue (DP, VT) for HIV(+) and HIV(-) pregnant woman</i>			
Mikhail Smith*	MSc	UCT	2019 (withdrawn)
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Association between Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) genotypes and the cellular immune responses of infants to early childhood vaccinations in Cape Town, South Africa and Jos, Nigeria.</i>			
Melinda Suchard*	MMed	Wits	2008
<b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Regulatory T cells in HIV and TB</i>			
Mandla Mlotshwa	PhD	Wits	2009-2013
<b>Thesis:</b> <i>Characterization of HIV-1 specific T cell responses during acute and early HIV-1 Subtype C infection.</i>			
Pholo Maenetje	PhD	Wits	2009-2013

***Thesis:*** Activation and Memory Differentiation of Total and HIV-Specific T Cells that Associate with Viral Control during Subtype C HIV-1 Infection

Jerome Wendoh\*                      PhD                      UCT                      2014-2018  
***Thesis:*** The Influence of HIV Exposure and Feeding on the Gut Microbiota and Adaptive Immunity in South African Infants.

Michael Zulu                      PhD                      UCT                      2015-2019  
***Thesis:*** Characteristics of decidual macrophages and Hofbauer Cells in placentas of HIV positive women on antiretroviral therapy.

Agano Kiravu\*                      PhD                      UCT                      2015-2020  
***Thesis:*** Cellular Immune Ontogeny and Birth Transcriptomic Profiles in Hiv-Exposed Uninfected Infants

Thandeka Moyo\*                      PhD                      UCT                      2016-2017  
***Thesis:*** Role of envelope compactness and glycosylation in HIV-1 resistance to Neutralizing antibody responses.

Lerato Rametse\*                      PhD                      UCT                      2019-2024  
***Thesis:*** The location and phenotype of HIV-1 target cells in human foreskin tissue.

Ramadhani                      PhD                      UCT                      2017-2020  
 Chambuso\*  
***Thesis:*** HIV/HPV co-infection and host immunogenetics of cervical cancer.

Brandon Paarwater                      PhD                      Stellenbosch                      2022 (ongoing)  
***Thesis:*** Mechanisms by which trophoblasts recruit T cells to the placental villi during maternal HIV and CMV co-infection.

Lesedi Dikhoba                      PhD                      UCT                      2021 (ongoing)  
***Proposal:*** Inflammation and T cell immunity in placentae from HIV-infected and HIV-uninfected South African women.

Agatha Masemola                      Post-Doc                      Wits                      2001-2003  
***Role:*** Identify novel epitope recognition and synthesize MHC tetramers

Vivan Morafo                      Post-Doc                      Wits                      2002-2007  
***Role:*** Identify the proliferative capacity of CD4+ T cells from HIV infected participants

Debra de Assis Rosa                      Post-Doc                      Wits                      2002-2007  
***Role:*** To HLA type HIV infected and HIV uninfected participants

Catherine Riou                      Post-Doc                      Wits                      2007-2011  
***Role:*** To employ polychromatic flow cytometry to understand HIV-specific T cell memory development.

Lycias Zembe                      Post-doc                      UCT                      2011-2013  
***Role:*** To identify cross-clade T cell reactivity

Selena Ferrian                      Post-doc                      UCT                      2013-2016  
**Role:** *To use polychromatic flow cytometry to identify Treg cells in MDR-TB patients*

Abraham Olivier                      Post-doc                      UCT                      2012-2016  
**Role:** *To characterize foreskin tissue from males undergoing medical male circumcision.*

Ngiambudulu                      Post-doc                      UCT                      2014-2015  
 Francisco  
**Role:** *To characterize Treg cells in HIV infected kidney transplant recipients. (Harry Crossley awardee)*

Nadia Ikumi                      Post-Doc                      UCT                      2016-2021  
**Role:** *To identify Treg cells in the placenta from HIV infected women (AXA Foundation awardee)*

Sonwabile Dzanibe                      Post-Doc                      UCT                      2017-2021  
**Role:** *To use CYTOF to associate NK and T cell populations in HIV exposed infants with gut microbiome (Claude Leon Foundation awardee)*

Kyle O'Hagan                      Post-Doc                      UCT                      2017-2019  
**Role:** *To characterise HIV target cells in the epithelial tissue of the foreskin (Harry Crossley and Claude Leon Foundation awardee).*

Doty Ojwach                      Post-Doc                      Stellenbosch                      2022-ongoing  
**Role:** *To identify macrophage and T cell interactions in the placenta and associate with adverse birth outcomes.*

Carine Kunsevi                      Post-Doc                      Stellenbosch                      2023-ongoing  
**Role:** *The role of complement in the placenta from HIV and malaria infected pregnant women.*

Nyari Chigorimbo                      Early Career                      UCT                      2015-2020  
**Role:** *To use proteomics to investigate the impact of sexually transmitted infections on foreskin immune cell pathways.*

Sonwabile Dzanibe                      Early Career                      UCT                      2021-ongoing  
**Role:** *Effects of intra-uterine HIV exposure on antibody functionality and B cell development (Wellcome Trust Training Award)*

\* co-supervision

\*\*with distinction

## **GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Institutional PI or Grant PI:

### **National Institutes of Health**

#### ***Currently Active***

- 2024-2028 D43TW012758. Next generation training in HIV research: Immunity in the First 1000 days in mother-infant dyads (TIGRIS). (PI's Gray/Chakraborty). *Role: to introduce a post-graduate diploma and training programme in reproductive immunology.*
- 2024-2026 R13AI184067. Infectious Diseases in Africa (IDA) Training Symposium for Next Gen Scientists (PI's Gray/Ferrari/Andersen-Nissen). *Role: to hold courses in Africa for training on infectious diseases.*
- 2022-2024 (NCE) D71TW012265. Next generation training in HIV research: Immunity in the First 1000 days in mother-infant dyads (TIGRIS). (PI's Gray/Chakraborty). *Role: to introduce a post-graduate diploma and training programme in reproductive immunology.*
- 2021-2025 (NCE) 1R01HD106821-01. Influence of HIV infection on vaginal virome and risk of preterm birth in pregnant South African women. (PI. Jaspan)
- 2020-2024 (NCE) 1R21 HD103498-01. Mechanisms by which trophoblasts recruit T cells to the placental villi during maternal HIV and CMV co-infection (PI: Gray/Chakraborty). *Role: To investigate the role of trophoblasts in attracting CD8+ T cells to the villous tissue in placentas collected from HIV infected mothers.*
- 2020-2025 (NCE) Mechanisms Leading To Adverse Birth Outcomes In South African HIV-Infected Women. R01 HD102050 (PI:Gray/Jaspan): *Role: to investigate the immune status of the placenta and interaction with the vaginal microbiome and perinatal vaccine responses.*
- 2019-2024 (NCE) Immune correlates of tuberculosis and non-tuberculosis infectious morbidity in Southern African HIV-exposed, uninfected infants (R01 AI142670 co-investigator (PI: Powis) *Role: Co-investigator. Using cohorts of infants in Botswana and South Africa, this study will explore correlates of immune protection against TB and non-TB infectious morbidity in HIV-exposed infants*

#### ***Pending***

BLOOM: Biological Links to Offspring Outcomes and Mechanisms in HIV-exposed children  
Major Goals: To identify a biomarker and immune changes in the placenta associated with poor growth and neurodevelopment in children who are HIV-exposed but uninfected.

Status of Support: Pending

Project Number: 1U19HD118623

Role: Multi-Principal Investigator

Mechanistic intersection between placental vascular and newborn neuronal development  
Major Goals: To identify vascular changes in the placenta associated with brain neuronal development.

Status of Support: Pending

Project Number: 1R01HD116609

Role: Multi-Principal Investigator

### **Previous**

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| 2017-2024 | Breast Milk Microbiota Influence on Infant Immunity and Growth (BEAMING); 1 U01 HG009783-01 Institutional PI (PI: Abamiku). NIH, National Human Genome Research Institute, H3 Africa<br><i>Role: Institutional PI. Measure HLA class I and II differences between mother and child and relate to antibody titers at week 36 to Pertussis.</i>                     |
| 2017-2023 | Impact of HIV exposure, feeding status, and microbiome on immune ontogeny and vaccine responses in infants. \$755 450 1U01AI131302-01, co-PI: (other PIs: Jaspan/Blish)<br><i>Role: co-PI. To measure NK and T cell immune ontogeny in the first year of life in HIV exposed infants using CYTOF.</i>   |
| 2017-2023 | Barrier Integrity, microbiome and HIV target cell interactions in the human male genital tract pre and post circumcision. R01 DK108434-01A,1 \$2,500,000; Institutional PI (PI Thomas Hope)<br><i>Role: Institutional PI. To measure in vivo barrier integrity pre and post medical male circumcision and relate to HIV target cells in the removed foreskin.</i> |
| 2015-2020 | Risk assessment of HIV infected to HIV infected transplantation in SA 1U01AI116061-0. Co-investigator (PI: Muller E)<br><i>Role: co-investigator. Isolate and store cells from deceased donors and transplant recipients.</i>   |
| 2015-2020 | ART and risk of preterm delivery in a rural high HIV prevalence area. 1R01HD080385-01, co-investigator (PI Marie Louise Newell).<br><i>Role: co-investigator. Isolate and store cells from mothers during gestation and collect placentas for interrogating fetal-maternal immune imbalance.</i>  |
| 2015-2018 | Mechanisms of altered immune responses in HIV-exposed infants 1R21HD083344-01; PI: Gray (co-PI with Jaspan). \$225,000<br><i>Role: co-PI. To relate altered vaccine responses in the first year of life in HIV-exposed infants with T regulatory cell function.</i>   |
| 2009-2014 | Emerging XDR-TB: Host and pathogen contributions, NIH: RO1 AI080737 co-investigator (PI: G Kaplan): \$120,000/year  |



*Role: co-investigator. To identify a cellular and plasma biomarker predicting sputum clearance in MDR-TB patients.*

- 2011-2012      Immunopaedia e-learning methods, Office of AIDS Research, NIH. \$96,000  
*Role: PI. To create on-line immunology learning/teaching materials.*
- 2009-2010      Immunopaedia e-learning methods, Office of AIDS Research, NIH. \$86,000  
*Role: PI. To create on-line immunology learning/teaching materials.*
- 2007-2010      HIV Vaccine Trials Network Central Immunology Laboratory, NIH; 1U01 AI068618: \$1,897,000  
*Role: Institutional PI: cellular immunogenicity end-point laboratory*
- 2007-2009      HIV-1 vaccine based on chimp serotype of Adenovirus, NIH; 5U19 AI074078: \$107,378  
*Role: co-investigator. Measure T cell responses to Ad5, Ad35 and ChAd3 antigens from HIV negative adults.*
- 2005-2012      Regional T cell Immunology Core, Center for HIV AIDS Vaccine Immunology (CHAVI); U01 A1067854-03: approx \$136,000 (final year).  
*Role: Institutional PI. To measure the ontogeny of CD8+ T cell responses to HIV during adult acute infection.*
- 2002-2007      Cellular Core, CAPRISA; U19-AI51794-01: \$1,685,048  
*Role: co-investigator. To measure the dynamics and epitope identity of CD8 and CD4+ T cell responses during acute HIV-1 infection.*
- 2001-2006      HIV Vaccine Trials Network Central Immunology Laboratory, NIH; 1U01 AI068618: \$1,200,000  
*Role: Institutional PI: cellular immunogenicity end-point laboratory*
- 2003-2004      HLA typing and Epitope Mapping to Guide HIV Vaccine Design, Harvard University; N01-AI-15442: \$175,000  
*Role: co-investigator. To epitope map chronically HIV infected adults.*
- 1999-2001      HIVNET 028 study: Virological and Immunological Studies Of HIV-1 Infection in Newly Infected Individuals in Southern Africa, National Institutes of Health (NIH), N01-AI-45202: \$540,500  
*Role. Institutional PI: To identify T cell and humoral responses to primary subtype C HIV-1 infection in South Africa, Zimbabwe, Zambia and Malawi.*

**Canadian Institutes of Health Research**

2022-2028	HIV Antiretroviral and Placenta dysfunction – identifying the mechanisms leading to poor fetal growth. CIHR-University Health Network, Ontario Role: Co-investigator
2016-2021	Building the Foundation for Healthy Life Trajectories. CIHR-SAMRC. Role. Co-investigator.
2015-2016	The Canada-Africa Prevention Trials (CAPT) Network PhD and post-doctoral training, International Development Research Center (IDRC), Canada. (PI: Gray, \$216,000). <i>Role. Co-PI. To build up laboratory training around HIV research between South Africa and Uganda.</i>
2014-2015	Canadian Institutes of Health Research application: Intestinal microbiota, immune activation and vaccine responsiveness of the HIV-exposed infant. (PI: Cameron, Jaspan) <i>Role. Co-investigator. To measure T cell immune activation and to associate with gut microbiome in the newborn infant.</i>
2013-2014	Canadian Institutes of Health Research: “Making Immunology Accessible: AFRICan-CANadian (AFRI-CAN) Dissemination Network.” <i>Role: PI. Develop on-line immunology materials around HIV infection and hold workshops.</i>
2011-2016	Innate, Adaptive and Mucosal Immune Responses in HIV-1 Exposed Uninfected Infants: A Human Model to Understand Correlates of Immune Protection. PI's: Rosenthal, Gray, Amagu, Cameron. Canadian Institutes of Health Research, 01044-000; \$3,331,384 <i>Role: co-PI. To develop a mother-baby cohort and determine the impact of maternal HIV exposure on EPI vaccine responses in children recruited in Cape Town and Jos, Nigeria.</i>
2010-2014	Canada Africa Prevention Trials Network Training and Research Grant: \$70,000/year Role: <i>Role. Institutional PI. To build up laboratory training around HIV research between South Africa and Uganda.</i>
2007-2009	Canada Africa Prevention Trials Network Training and Research Grant: \$70,000 <i>Role. Institutional PI. To build up laboratory training around HIV research between South Africa and Uganda.</i>

### **National Institutes of Health Research, UK**

2018-2021      PReterm blrth prevention and manageMEnt (PRIME). NIHR Global Health Research Group. 17/63/26. \$3,916,000 (Anumba (PI)).  
*Role: Institutional and South African PI. To recruit cohorts of women spontaneously giving pre-term birth (PTB) and investigate in the placenta for infections and gene expression signatures of PTB.*

### **Academy of Medical Sciences, UK**

2018-2019      Preterm Birth Dialogues. Gray and Anumba (co-PI). Academy of Medical Sciences, UK. \$33,000  
*Role: co-PI. To develop a network of global investigators around pre-term birth.*

### **South African Medical Research Council**

2025-2027      The impact of antiretroviral drugs on placental vascular development and macrophage function. £646,221 (SAMRC-UKRI-MRC)  
*Role: PI. To measure the impact of different antiretroviral drugs on placental angiogenesis and the role pf placental macrophages.*

2006-2009      Understanding Correlates of Protection through Analysis of HIV-specific T cell Immune Functions: Development of Novel Immunogenicity Markers, South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative: \$1,194,316  
*Role: PI. To measure T cell immunity on adult HIV-1 infection and identify markers of immune control.*

2003-2006      Cellular Immunology Core, South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative: \$1,100,020  
*Role: PI. To establish an immune monitoring laboratory to measure HIV vaccine immunogenicity.*

### **South African National Research Foundation (competitive grants for rated researchers)**

2018-2020      Immunological and Metabolic Risk Factors Associated with Adverse Birth Outcomes. \$40,000  
*Role: PI. To measure gene transcriptomic profiles in the placenta from HIV exposed infants.*

2014-2016      The Impact of Maternal HIV Exposure on Infant Immunity and Responses to Vaccination. Grant #: 92770. \$90,000  
*Role. PI. To identify immune activation and inflammation in the HIV exposed neonate immediately after birth.*

### **European Union**

- 2021-2025      MoBility for Research and African Integration through Health Sciences (BRAINS): €218 255  
*Role: To facilitate training of MSc and PhD students from across Africa over 5 years.*
- 2018-2021      EDCTP 2: Combined HIV African PrEP and Prevention Study: On demand Truvada and F/TAF Pre-exposure prophylaxis to provide protection From HIV in adolescent boys and men (CHAPPS). Co-investigator. \$1,800,000  
*Role: Institutional PI: To conduct a clinical trial of Truvada and F/TAF and identify drug and safety profile in foreskin tissue.*
- 2013-2015      EDCTP Strategic Primer: "Factors affecting HIV susceptibility in the adolescent genital tract." PI, Passmore; \$1,200,000  
*Role: co-investigator. To measure the impact of an asymptomatic sexually transmitted infection on foreskin epithelial HIV immune target cells.*

### **Industry**

- 2012-2016      Renal Transplantation in South Africa: Using HIV positive deceased donors for HIV positive recipients. PI: E. Muller, UCT. Roche Organ Transplantation Research Foundation (ROTRF). \$450,000  
*Role: To measure plasma cytokines and T cell reactivity in renal transplant recipients.*
- 2009-2010      Virax, Therapeutic Vaccine Trial: VIR201-04-06. \$145,800  
*Role: Institutional PI, to measure T cell immunogenicity in HIV infected individuals receiving a vaccine candidate.*
- 2007-2009      FIT Biotech, Therapeutic Vaccine Trial: \$61,000  
*Role: Institutional PI, to measure T cell immunogenicity in HIV infected individuals receiving a therapeutic vaccine candidate.*

### **Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation**

- 2004-2007      Program for the Enrichment of Pediatric HIV Immunology in South Africa, International Leadership Award, Elizabeth Glaser AIDS Pediatric Foundation: \$472,000  
*Role: PI, to develop an on-line platform for immunology education (precursor to Immunoapedia).*

### **Melinda Gates Foundation**

- 2007-2010      Comprehensive T cell Vaccine Immune Monitoring Consortium. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; GRAY06VIMC0: \$135,472  
*Role: To measure T cell CMV responses in HIV positive and negative volunteers for leukopheresis.*

### **International AIDS Vaccine Initiative**

2002-2004      International AIDS Vaccine Initiative, Cross-Clade Reactivity in subtype C HIV infected individuals: \$30,000  
*Role: To measure levels of homology and divergence between subtype B, C, D and PTE epitopes.*

### **South African Department of Science and Technology**

2012-2016      Department of Science and Technology top-up funding for "Innate, Adaptive and Mucosal Immune Responses in HIV-1 Exposed Uninfected Infants: A Human Model to Understand Correlates of Immune Protection." DST/CON 0144/2012: \$178,500  
*Role: SA PI.*

2011-2013      HIV Vaccine Immunogen Design: Identification of T-cell epitopes associated with control of viral replication in Indian and South African HIV-1 infected individuals. Technology Innovation Initiative, DST, \$72,000  
*Role: SA PI.*

### **Patents**

HIV-1 Subtype C Isolate Regulatory Genes, and Modifications and Derivatives Thereof. Inventors: Carolyn Williamson, Joanne Heidi Van Harmelen, Clive Maurice Gray, William Bourn, Salim Abdool Karim. Publication date 2009/1/20; Patent number 7479547

### **CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCIENCE**

My early publications focused on early and acute adult HIV infection and the polyfunctional nature of CD8+ T cells associated with low viral set-point. Due to the longitudinal nature of follow-up in our cohorts, we began to associate CD8+ T cell functional responses with viral load set point and disease progression. We showed that recognition of HIV-1, as measured by the IFN $\gamma$  ELISPOT assay, had no association with viral set point made at 12 months. However, polyfunctional CD8+ T cells and central memory cells could differentiate HIV-1 infected individuals with low set point, indicating that the quality and level of memory maturation is an important determinant of viral control. Additionally, I investigated targeting conserved HIV-1 epitopes by T cells. Using the IFN $\gamma$  ELISPOT assay, we could identify conserved and dominant CTL epitopes and how these are associated with plasma viral load. This body of work contributes more directly to vaccine design, by identifying commonly targeted epitopes and identifying which ones are present across different clades and which are preferentially recognized. I am exploring different facets of infant and adolescent immunity that predispose individuals to HIV susceptibility at the cellular immune level. I am currently leading studies to investigate how maternal HIV exposure has an impact on different aspects of HIV exposed infant immunity. One of the key areas of focus is investigating the placenta and how events in the pregnant mother impacts on placental pathology and immunity. One area of focus has been the impact of antiretroviral therapy on placenta vasculature, of which I was awarded the 2023 Harry Oppenheimer Fellowship Award. Here, we are investigating the mechanisms of how different antiretroviral drugs retard angiogenesis in the placenta and can result in placental insufficiency in some pregnant women.

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How HIV impacts on placental and neonatal immunity. **Latin American and Caribbean Association of Immunology (ALACI) 2024, 4-8 November Buenos Aires, Argentina (PLENARY)**

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How HIV impacts on placental and neonatal immunity: first-line regimen antiretroviral drugs disrupt placental macrophage function and vascular development. **Indian Society of Immunology, 17-20 Oct, Bangalore, India 2024 (PLENARY)**

Immune consequences of women living with HIV during pregnancy: the HIV exposed uninfected infant. **Global Immunology Summit, Emerging Frontiers of Immunobiology and Immunotherapy, THSTI, Faridabad, India. 15-17<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (PLENARY)**

The HIV epidemic in South Africa: understanding the immunology of poor birth outcomes and immune ontogeny in HIV exposed Infants. **50th Jubilee Meeting, Indian Society of Immunology, 6th Oct 2023 (PLENARY)**

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The Placenta has a Footprint of Maternal Immunity. **Stellenbosch University Research Day, September 2021 (virtual) PLENARY**

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The HIV epidemic in South Africa and its impact on pregnancy, birth outcomes and immune ontogeny in the HIV Exposed Uninfected Child. **International Lectures in Infection Biology, University of Zurich; Switzerland October 10<sup>th</sup> 2024**



Maternal imprinting of the human placenta and immunity at birth in HIV Exposed Uninfected children in South Africa. **Mass Gen Hospital, Harvard University, USA; November 2019**

The impact of maternal HIV infection on placental and neonatal immunology in HIV exposed uninfected infants. **University of Vermont, Burlington USA; May 2019**

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Neonatal and infant immunity in children born to HIV infected mothers. **Stanford University, December 2017**

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The challenges and way forward with vaccine development. **David and Elaine Potter Seminar, University of Cape Town. 2012**

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