



South African Society for Basic and Clinical Pharmacology

Clinical Investigator Certification Course



The FUNDISA African Academy of Medicines Development and Tiervlei Trial Centre will be hosting the 4th Clinical Investigator (and Site Staff) Certification Course from the 16th to 20th of July, 2018, at the Zulu Nyala Country Manor in Gauteng. For more information, or to register, contact Charlize White (info@fundisa-academy.com). Registrations close on the 6th of July, 2018.



Did you remember to celebrate?

12 May: International Nurses Day

Marks the contributions made by nurses around the world.



21 May: Clinical Trials Day

Help raise awareness and honour clinical trial professionals.

27 May – 3 June: Child Protection Week

Educate your child about their safety and tools available to do so.



28 May: International Day of Action for Women's Health

Honour women's sexual and reproductive health and rights.

Award for Outstanding Contributions



Congratulations to Prof Christiaan Brink (Faculty of Health Sciences, North-West University) and immediate past-president of the SASBCP for receiving the FARMOVS Prize for Outstanding Contributions to Pharmacology and Drug Development from the Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns. The award ceremony will take place on the 18th of July, 2018. Prof Brink has made contributions both nationally and internationally, and has led the B.Sc. Honours degree in Pharmacology at North-West university for almost 20 years within a distance learning model.



Champions of Healthcare Award

Congratulations to Dr Mohamed Irhuma (Division of Pharmacology, University of the Witwatersrand) for being awarded the EiT 2018 Champions of Health Care North Africa and Middle East Innovation and Research Award through the Gulf Institute of Health. His innovation included the development of the “open-access” medicine and drug index digital application. Dr Irhuma is an academic lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand, as well as a honorary lecturer at the University of Tripoli (Libya), acting secretary of the College of Clinical Pharmacologists in South Africa, and honorary senate on the American Board of Clinical Pharmacology.



Members in press



Congratulations to the following members who have recently published:

- **Burger TM**, Mokoka T, Fouché G, Steenkamp P, **Steenkamp V**, **Cordier W**. Solamargine, a bioactive steroidal alkaloid isolated from *Solanum aculeastrum* induces non-selective cytotoxicity and P-glycoprotein inhibition. BMC Complement Altern Med 2018;18:137.
- **Marais A**, **Osuch E**. Underlying causes of chronic bladder dysfunction. S Afr Fam Pract 2018;60:24-27.



Members on the move

Are you attending (or planning to attend) any workshops or conferences soon? We want to compile a list of where all of our members are sharing their research or expertise.

Have something to say?

We welcome any news from our society members. If you have anything you wish to add, please contact Dr Makhotsso Lekhooa (makhotsso.lekhooa@nwu.ac.za):



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