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The CSAR Debate

7.30pm, Monday 13th April 2015 Wolfson Hall Lecture Theatre, Churchill College, Storey's Way, Cambridge

The Subject

"This house believes that the Government should fund discovery of new antibiotics, and control their distribution and use"

The debate will be chaired by Chris Mann from BBC Radio Cambridgeshire

The speakers will include well-respected experts from academia, industry and medical practice:

FOR:

PROPOSER: Dr Nick Brown, Addenbrooke's Hospital and Fellow of Churchill. <u>http://www.thenakedscientists.com/HTML/content/interviews/interview/1000464</u>

SECONDER: Dr Zack Hassan, post-doc researcher U of C.

SWEEPER FOR: Dr Richard Freeman. Formerly of GSK, Ulverston; PhD in genetics of antibiotic resistance

AGAINST:

SPEAKER AGAINST THE MOTION: (http://www.discuva.com)

Dr David Williams CEO of Discuva

" Discuva is a drug discovery company focused on the creation of Next Generation targeted antimicrobials against new emerging and drug-resistant bacterial pathogens.

From a study of 114 countries, the World Health Organisation has predicted a future where all current antibiotic drugs are ineffective.

In this 'post-antibiotic era' a simple scratch or routine surgical procedure will be a potentially life-threatening event.



At Discuva, using ground-breaking new technologies, we are successfully developing completely new classes of antibiotics which we believe will play a major role in protecting society from the forthcoming threat promised by the emergence of drug-resistant bacteria."

Source: Discuva website

SECONDER AGAINST THE MOTION: Dr Ewan Harrison postdoctoral researcher, a Fellow of Cambridge Infection Diseases (<u>http://www.infectiousdisease.cam.ac.uk</u>)

SWEEPER AGAINST THE MOTION: Dr Mark Holmes Senior Lecturer, University of Cambridge Vet School, Fellow of Churchill College.

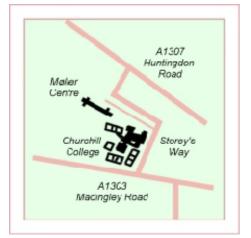
(http://www.infectiousdisease.cam.ac.uk/directory/mah1@cam.ac.uk)

The debate will follow a similar format to previous CSAR debates with the motion being proposed, opposed and then seconded for and against followed by 30-35 minutes of questions and comments from the floor with responses by speakers: there will be a "sweeping up" of arguments against the motion and then for the motion, followed by a show-of-hands vote.

The debate will be proceeded by a 10 minute presentation by Jenny Ashworth, who was one of the CSAR Bursary awardees, in connection with her work, entitled

"Designing Collagen Scaffolds for Regenerative Wound Healing"

Practical Matters



Those attending the CSAR lecture may park in the Senior Car Park on Churchill Road, which is off Storey's Way. More parking is available further along Churchill Road. **Please do not park in the Möller Centre, or outside the houses opposite Churchill in Storey's Way.**

CSAR lectures are open to all; CSAR members are admitted free. Pupils and students may register for free membership at the lecture reception desk.

Non-members are asked to make a nominal contribution of £3.00. Coffee and biscuits are available in the Wolfson Foyer from around 7pm. For further directions, see:

www.chu.cam.ac.uk/about/visitors/directions.php