

JULY/AUGUST 2018 NEWSLETTER

Network News

"We've been producing enough to feed the total global population for the last 50 years, so why are people still starving?" **Yuan He**, in the Centre of Development Studies, is our featured researcher this month. [Find out here](#) what she learned from living like a local in a remote Indian village.

Dr Andrew Grant, in the Department of Veterinary Medicine, is part of the Quadram Institute's new strategic research programme [Microbes in the Food Chain](#), supported by the BBSRC and launched in June 2018. The programme aims to generate critical data, exploit state-of-the-art technology and develop novel interventions to reduce the risk of foodborne illness and the spread of antimicrobial resistance in the food chain.

Charlotte Payne, in the Department of Zoology, won a [Vice-Chancellor's Award for Public Engagement with Research](#) in July. In conducting research on the sustainable use of edible caterpillars in Burkina Faso, she has successfully engaged farmers, scientists and a variety of public audiences.

Please continue to contact me with any relevant information you'd like to be included in future newsletters. Best wishes, Jacqueline Garget

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CAMBRIDGE-BASED EVENTS

24 July, 12:30-1:30 [Food Behaviours – not a lot to do with food but pretty much a symptom of everything else](#). Chris Holmes, Shift Design. Meeting Rooms 1&2, Level 4, IMS, Cambridge Biomedical Campus.

13 Sept: [Food Waste in the Supply Chain: what are the problems and how can we fix them?](#) **Westminster College, Cambridge.** Early career researcher workshop, travel and accommodation costs provided. **Apply by 13 Aug.**

27-28 Sept: EIT Food: [Algal Biotechnology Techniques and Opportunities for the Sustainable Bioeconomy](#). Professional Development Course, **Cambridge. Register by 31 Aug.**

16 Nov: [Cambridge Infectious Diseases Annual Meeting of Minds](#). Cambridge researchers contact the [CID Coordinator](#) if you are interested in presenting your research.

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WORLDWIDE EVENTS

23 Aug: [Lessons from the past: archaeology, anthropology and the future of food.](#) Oxford, hosted by the Oxford Martin Future of Food Programme and the British Museum. **Register by 1 Aug.**

13 Sept: [Innovations for Water Management.](#) Easton College, Norwich.

16-17 Oct: [World Agri-Tech Innovation Summit](#), London. Agri-Tech East members (University of Cambridge is a member) can get a £300 discount.

Events listed in previous newsletters are detailed on our [website](#).

PUBLISHING

[Contact me](#) if you are an Initiative Member and would like support in promoting your new publication.

A [paper](#) co-authored by **Monica Ramsey** in the McDonald Institute of Archaeological Research has received lots of [press attention](#) this month. It found remains of the oldest evidence for bread, baked by hunter-gatherers 14,400 years ago in north-eastern Jordan.

CEDAR's **Dr Jean Adams** discussed Jamie Oliver's #AdEnough campaign, and the push for junk food marketing restrictions, in this [blog post](#) for the Food Foundation.

[Plants, People, Planet](#) is a new cross-disciplinary Open Access journal from the New Phytologist Trust focusing on the interface between plants and society. Led by Prof Simon Hiscock (University of Oxford, UK), it aims to promote outstanding plant-based research in its broadest sense and to celebrate everything new, innovative and exciting in plant sciences. **The journal is open for submissions and keen to encourage work on food security and related topics.** See their [website](#) for more details, or feel free to email queries to ppp@lancaster.ac.uk

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

If you are a Cambridge researcher interested in putting together an application and would like assistance in finding suitable collaborators/coordinating a group meeting, please [contact me](#).

AHBD: [Improved management of virus diseases.](#) AHDB wants to commission new research to address crop virus management. £315,000 available over 3 years. **Application deadline 10 Sept, 10am.**

EU Consumers, Health, Agriculture & Food Executive Agency call for tenders: [Feasibility study for a monitoring system on reformulation initiatives for salt, sugars and fat.](#) Contract of €1.4m over 36 months. **Deadline 11 Sept.**

GCRF/BBSRC: [Food and nutrition research for health in the developing world: bioavailability and nutrient content](#) Grants of up to £2m available, for two year projects. **Deadline 11 Sept, 4pm**

IDRC/DHSC/UKaid Global Call for Research Proposals: [Innovative Veterinary Solutions for Antimicrobial Resistance in Food-Producing Animals: Livestock and Aquaculture](#) CA\$1-3 million, for 33 months. [Call details.](#) **Deadline 12 Sept, 3pm.**

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GCRF/BBSRC: [Agri-systems research to enhance livelihoods in developing countries.](#) Grants of up to £1.5m available. **Deadline 19 Sept, 4pm.**

[Perry Foundation Study Awards for PhD studentships:](#) £12,000 per year for 3 to 4 years. **Deadline 31 Oct** for PhDs in agriculture (including veterinary) disciplines at a UK university, starting next September.

BBSRC: Joint awards for antimicrobial resistance in the environment workshop – Argentina. CALL OPENING SOON, deadline ~Nov.

All open funding calls are detailed on our [website](#).