DOHaD Africa
Third Quarter News

Funding & Networking Opportunities

In preparation for the DOHaD 2022 conference, trainee researchers and scientists are invited to contribute to the preparations of the conference’s “Trainee Days”. A question to consider is, "What kind of training will be useful to you"?

Please submit your suggestions to the DOHaD 2022 Training and Networking Team HERE.

DAAD is hosting an information session for PhD candidates interested in knowing about opportunities in Germany on 19 August 2020

DAAD will discuss the German research and funding landscape, identifying a PhD supervisor in Germany and funding opportunities for your PhD in Germany. A follow-up Q & A session will be hosted on 26 August 2020. Register and take the first step towards becoming an internationally connected researcher!

www.daad.org.za/online-info-sessions

DAAD Information Centre Johannesburg
Prof Shane Norris elected fellow of the African Academy of Sciences

The President of the DOHaD Africa Chapter, Professor Shane Norris, has been elected to be a fellow of the African Academy of Sciences (AAS). This is a prestigious achievement, and an acknowledgment of the critical work Prof Norris has done in Africa, especially around the developmental origins of health and disease.

AAS Fellows are individuals who have reached the highest level of excellence in their field of expertise and have made contributions to the advancement of the field on the African continent. Fellows of The AAS are elected based on their achievements that include their publication record, innovations, leadership roles and contribution to society. Election into The AAS Fellowship is done through a rigorous review process.

Professor Norris’s research focuses on lifecourse epidemiology with a specific interest in the development of intergenerational-risk for obesity and diabetes.

Showcase of latest African research

Secretary of the DOHaD Africa Chapter, Liz Kimani-Murage, published an article entitled: *The Relationship between maternal body composition during pregnancy and infant's birth weight in Nairobi informal settlements.*

The article can be accessed [here](#).
Human Development Webinar Series Wraps Up

DOHaD Africa was a partner in the recent human development research webinar series, entitled, Left out of the Conversation: the effects of this time on optimal human development. The webinar series aimed to investigate the effects of Covid-19 on human health and potential.

Researchers across Africa, the UK, Canada, and Australia took part as panellists. Discussions covered non-communicable diseases, early childhood development, food security, socioeconomic repercussions of Covid-19, the environment, and an overview of South Africa's recent rapid survey on the effects of lockdown on poverty levels, employment, and food security.

Here are all the presentations and recordings from the series.

THE NEXT CONGRESS IN 2022

The 12th World Congress on Development Origins of Health and Disease will take place in Vancouver, Canada, from 16-19 October 2022.

Its theme will be Social and environmental disruption in DOHaD: successful interventions for a healthy future.

View the welcome video from that congress here.

Forward to a colleague and suggest they join DOHaD Africa

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