Letter from Jennifer

Dear WIPO Re:Search Members and Friends,

Happy New Year! It may only be January, but 2017 is shaping up to be an impactful year. BVGH’s coordination of a second round of developing country scientist training sabbaticals is well under way. Prospective hosts and visiting scientists have been identified and project and training discussions have commenced. These sabbaticals are being supported by IP Australia through Funds in Trust (FIT) provided to WIPO.

BVGH and WIPO have begun incorporating the feedback obtained from Members and the Advisory Committee into the Five-Year Medium Term Strategic Plan (MTSP) for WIPO Re:Search. The MTSP will be published and presented publicly at the WIPO Re:Search five-year anniversary meeting, which will be held concurrent to the 70th World Health Assembly. Stay tuned for more information about the MTSP and anniversary meeting.

As always, please forward this Snapshot to your colleagues and reach out to us with any partnering requests or ideas.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Dent
President, BVGH
Special Announcement

Have you presented or published the results of your WIPO Re:Search collaboration? If so, please let Katy Graef know so that we can feature your work in the 2016 WIPO Re:Search Annual Report as well as an upcoming issue of the Snapshot newsletter.

WIPO Re:Search Statistics

To view a current summary of the WIPO Re:Search agreements by disease and stage of development, click here.

Click here to view a complete list of WIPO Re:Search Members.

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Participating WIPO Re:Search Members:
- California Institute of Technology
- Centre Pasteur du Cameroun
- Emory University
- Institut Pasteur de Tunis
- McMaster University
- National Institutes of Health
- Novartis
- Pfizer
- Stanford University
- University of Kansas
- Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
Partnership Hub Central

The following are BVGH’s WIPO Re:Search objectives and deliverables for 2017:

**Agreements:**
1. Establish 8 new “targeted” agreements
2. Provide alliance management support to ongoing collaborations

**Recruiting:**
1. Recruit 3-6 new targeted User Members*
   *Targeted User Members include those from select countries and regions - Australia, Indo-Pacific, and East Africa

**Communications:**
1. Continue activities to increase awareness of WIPO Re:Search:
   a. Monthly Snapshot newsletter
   b. 2017 Mid-Year and Annual Report
   c. Increase social media presence (Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)
   d. Present WIPO Re:Search at two key conferences and raise awareness of WIPO Re:Search at three key events
2. Develop the WIPO Re:Search five-year Medium Term Strategic Plan

**Sabbaticals**
1. Manage WIPO Re:Search developing country researcher training sabbaticals through IP Australia’s Funds in Trust (FIT) 2

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**BVGH FundFinder Featured Funding Announcement**

**International Short Visits**
The International Short Visits scheme is aimed at researchers in Switzerland who wish to go abroad for a short period or researchers abroad who wish to collaborate with researchers in Switzerland. During the visit, they pursue a small joint research project.

Short visits may last from one week to three months. There are no geographical and topical restrictions.

**Funding amount:** Depends on destination; grant includes travel, room, and board expenses.
**Funder:** Swiss National Science Foundation
**Deadline:** Applications accepted on a rolling basis
**Eligibility:** Applicant must hold a doctorate (or comparable) degree

For more information about BVGH FundFinder, please email Katy Graef.
Highlighted Contributions

Do you have an asset that you are willing to contribute to another WIPO Re:Search Member to further neglected tropical disease, malaria, or tuberculosis research and development? Email Ujwal Sheth to learn how you can have your asset summarized in the WIPO Re:Search Database and featured in an upcoming Snapshot newsletter.

Upcoming Global Health Meetings

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