**HIC-Vac Membership Application Form**

The HIC-Vac Network aims to support, develop and advocate the use of Human Infection Challenge (HIC) to improve understanding about infections and the diseases they cause, leading to better vaccines and treatments with high global impact. Our network will enable open sharing of knowledge and expertise, using network resources to increase HIC use in the UK and in Lower and Middle Income Countries (LMIC), disseminating best practice, enhancing training and fostering new collaborative studies relevant to high-impact pathogens.

**The HIC-Vac Network offers three levels of membership:**

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| **Membership level:** | **Investigator** | **Associate** | **Affiliate** |
| **Who should apply?** | Senior members of the scientific, advocacy or vaccine development community who work directly in human infection challenge researchwho have been awarded their own funding,work independently leading their own research groupand who will add value to the Network community. | Early career post-doctoral scientists working on research directly related to human infection challenge.Post-doctoral researchers working in a field/discipline related to human infection challenge (e.g. vaccinology, ethicists, regulatory experts) who want to form collaborations and gain experience and expertise to move into our research fieldGroup leaders and post-doctoral researchers working on the development of vaccines for high-impact pathogens, who are interested in our findings  | Everybody else who is interested in Human Infection Challenge research! |
| **Who assesses membership?** | NMB | Organisational group | Automatically upon application |
| **How often?** | Quarterly at next NMB or exceptionally by NMB Chair’s action | Fortnightly | Automatically upon application |
| **What are the benefits?** | Eligible to apply for pump-priming and training grants Invitation to the HIC-Vac Network annual meeting | Eligible to apply for pump-priming and training grants in collaboration with a Network InvestigatorInvitation to the HIC-Vac Network annual meeting | Newsletters, twitter updates |

All levels of membership are free, and members can apply to move between levels as they gain experience and expertise.

Please submit your completed application form, or address any queries, to our Communications Lead, Emma Smith (e.smith@imperial.ac.uk). As a member you will automatically be added to our newsletter subscription list; please just let Emma know if you do not wish this to occur, and you can unsubscribe at any time by emailing too.

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| **1. Applicant Details**  |
| Name (First name; Surname) |  |
| Job Title currently held |  |
| Department & Organisation |  |
| Country |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |
| Current HIC-Vac network membership level | Investigator / Associate / Affiliate / non-member |
| How did you find out about the HIC-Vac Network? | Search engine/ Twitter/ Personal Recommendation/Other |

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| **2. Membership level** – please tick the level of membership you wish to apply for: |
| Affiliate (please check section 3 and sign section 8, and submit your form) [ ] Associate (please complete all below questions) [ ] Investigator (please complete all below questions) [ ]  |

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| **3.**  **Terms and Conditions of Membership** - please confirm: |
| You have read our [Terms and Conditions](https://www.hic-vac.org/sites/default/files/HIC-vac_membership_TC_template_v3.0.pdf) (v3.0) and will abide by these, particularly with regards to confidentiality of unpublished data at meetings. [ ] You agree that we may contact you for purposes as described in our [privacy notice](https://www.hic-vac.org/sites/default/files/HIC-Vac%20Privacy%20Notice.pdf). [ ]   |

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| **4. Career History and Current Role** - please outline your career to date, and your area of specialism (max 500 words)  |
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| **5. Value-adding** – please describe how you would add value to the HIC-Vac network (500 words) |
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| **6. Required additional documents** – please include the following with your application if you are applying for Investigator or Associate membership: |
| CV (2 page) and publications list (1 page) [ ]  |

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| **7. Keywords** – please tick as many as apply |
| Existing Controlled Human Infection Models (CHIM) researcher [ ] Viral [ ]  Bacterial [ ] Parasites [ ] LMIC [ ] Supportive expertise [ ] Industry [ ]  |

***8. Biography Page for HIC-Vac Website - optional***

If you become a Network Investigator or Network Associate, you can choose to be added to the HIC-Vac website’s Members’ Directory, which enables members to easily find others in a specific field or country and form new collaborations. If you would like to be added to this Members’ Directory please complete the below information (which will be made publically accessible on the HIC-Vac website) and include a photograph (for use on the website) with your application.

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| Name |  |
| Title |  |
| Institute |  |
| Phone number | *If your research is sensitive and you would rather not have this listed, do just say so* |
| Email | “ |
| Research area keywords | Existing Controlled Human Infection Models (CHIM) researcher / Viral / Bacterial / Parasites / LMIC / Supportive expertise / Industry *(delete or underline as appropriate)*  |
| Biography | *1-2 paragraphs about your research and main research interests* |
| Key publications | *If these are listed elsewhere (e.g. on your University profile page) please just let us know the link* |
| Web links of interest | *e.g. your University profile page; podcasts; LinkedIn page* |
| Photo | *Please paste or attach* |

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| **9. Signature** – please sign and date this form before submission |
| By signing this form, you agree that your application is accurate and complete to the best of your knowledge and also that you consent to the details of your application being shared with Imperial College London, the Medical Research Council and any other professional organisation or individuals needed to assess and verify your application. |