To: Prospective Students to Institutions within the Consortium for Control and Prevention of Zoonoses (CCPZ) in West Africa

Date: March 10, 2012

Re: Postgraduate Career Development Fellowship and Scholarship Awards in Zoonoses Studies and Containment Promotion

We welcome applications from students pursuing studies at any of the Universities affiliated with the Consortium for Control and Prevention of Zoonoses (CCPZ) in West Africa to a new Postgraduate Career Development Programme in Zoonoses Studies and Containment Promotion at the University of Ibadan. As part of a new grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation in her International Programmes / Higher Education Initiative in Africa to the University of Ibadan, Nigeria we invite career track offices and academia for career development fellowships in improving graduate programme in surveillance of human-animal diseases in West Africa. These will include the following trans-disciplinary areas:

- Awards on Study of Indigenous Knowledge, Attitude and Practices
- Awards on Community Medicine and Comprehensive Monitoring of Clinical Cases
- Awards on Geographic Mapping of Spread and Associated Risk Management Plans
- Awards on Indigenization of Biotechnology for Rapid Detection of Zoonotic Diseases
- Awards on Parasitology, Entomology and Ecology of Zoonoses
- Awards on Characterization, Virology and Molecular Epidemiology of Causal Agents of Zoonoses
- Awards on Pathogenesis, Immunology, Genomics and Vaccinology

We intend to award a number of 2-year (M.Sc.) Scholarships and 3-year (PhD) Fellowships. A Fellowship or scholarship will cover the cost of tuition, accommodation on campus, travel to and from home country, and approved conference attendance. University of Ibadan accommodation will be allocated by the Office of International Programmes or Students Affairs Division into suitable graduate students’ hostels. Other expenses, including research equipment and reagents are the responsibility of the consortium in its student support facility. Applications will be evaluated by the Implementation Committee based on a set of eligibility criteria. Fellowship or scholarship will be awarded on a competitive basis.

Masters-level scholarships will include the following: 1) $6,000 for an International student (Ghana, Liberia and Sierra Leone) per year for one or two years; 2) $4,000 for a national student (Nigeria) per year for one or two years. 3) An approved 10-week internship in research on human-animal disease investigation.

Doctoral-level fellowships will include the following: 1) $6,000 for a national student per year (Nigeria) for one, two or three years. 2) $7,000/International student per year for one, two or three years. 3) An approved 10-week internship in research related to human-animal disease investigation.

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Our Vision
To be a world-class institution for academic excellence geared towards meeting societal needs

Our Mission
To expand the frontiers of knowledge through provisions of excellent conditions for learning and research.
To produce graduates who are worthy in character and sound judgement.
To contribute to the transformation of society through creativity and innovation.

Applicants must be West African citizens, hold high Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) at first degree, equivalent to a minimum of Second Class (upper division) or above in a discipline that aligns with the mission of the consortium. Applicants must be willing to attend a mandatory sponsored career development modular course, compulsory monthly seminar presentation, and to conduct a 10-week internship in a West African field in a selected domain. Applicants must be willing to attend all activities of the programme. Finally, applicants must be willing to commit a five-year home institution employment continuity.

How to find out more and apply

Download the application form on the University of Ibadan project website. Instructions for completing and submitting the application are located at the bottom of the cover letter and the application form. If you have questions, call Dr. S.I.B. Cadmus (+234-802-375-1093).

Submit application document to do.oluwayelu@ui.edu.ng, with a copy to pcpzui@gmail.com by 4pm Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) on June 12, 2012. Decisions will be made by July 11, 2012.