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Welcome to the February 2016 edition of the MIDAS CIDID Newsletter.
This is where you can find Center-wide updates, along with relevant news
and highlights.



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UPCOMING EVENTS



CIDID Seminar: Pelton Auditorium, FHCRC
February 26th, 2016, 10:30am - 11:30am

*"Passing through: the role of transmission
bottlenecks in influenza virus host
adaptation "*

Speaker: [Thomas Friedrich](#)

Download flyer: [\[pdf\]](#)

Streaming video: [\[link\]](#)

(available at start of seminar)

MIDAS Network Meeting: May 23-24,



2016.

Registration is now open! Click [here](#) to register.



The next **Summer Institute in Statistics and Modeling in Infectious Diseases (SISMID)** takes place July 11-27, 2016, in Seattle.

Registration and scholarship applications are now open! Click [here](#) for details.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

The pertussis enigma: reconciling epidemiology, immunology and evolution, *Proceedings B, Royal Society Publishing* [[pdf](#)]

Seasonality and the effectiveness of mass vaccination, *Mathematical Biosciences and Engineering* [[pdf](#)]

NEWS

CIDID is the coordinating center for the new MIDAS Zika Coordination Committee, co-chaired by Ira Longini and Diana Rojas. Other committee members include Bryan Lewis (VBI) and Mike Wagner (ISG). Click [here](#) to view the MIDAS Zika website.

NIH posted a new MIDAS funding opportunity, [PA-16-107](#). This is for R01 projects, and replaces the U01 mechanism issued under [RFA-GM-14-007](#).

NIH

Update on the two symposia organized by Betz Halloran at the AAAS Annual Meeting, February 11-15, 2016:

- Press release, "[Researchers present inner workings of Ebola vaccine trial](#)", with quotes by Ira Longini.
 - News briefing video, "[Barriers to Measles Eradication](#)".
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CENTER UPDATES

Katia Koelle (Duke University) is on sabbatical from January-June 2016 at Emory University, working with Rustom Antia on immunopathology and virulence evolution in acute infectious diseases, including flu and dengue. She is also collaborating with Les Real at Emory and Ben Lopman at the CDC.

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Pej Rohani attended a meeting sponsored by the WHO and the Gates

Foundation on pertussis maternal immunization in low and middle income countries, at Emory University on February 23.

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Trevor Bedford and [nextflu](#) colleague Richard Neher compiled a report on "*Seasonal influenza circulation patterns and future projections*".

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Betz Halloran and Ira Longini are attending the WHO global consultation of research related to Zika virus infection, on March 7-9 in Geneva, Switzerland.

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New CIDID members:
Juhye Lee is working with Jesse Bloom's team at Fred Hutch as a Graduate Student.

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