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Welcome to the latest TB Modelling and Analysis Consortium (TB MAC) newsletter, with information for TB modellers, epidemiologists, and decision-makers.

**Help TB MAC design its programme by telling our independent evaluator what you think, by the 31st October.** Our independent evaluator -David Collier- is inviting you to complete this brief online form with your ratings and any wider comments on TB MAC. Only David Collier can access these forms; the TB MAC Steering Committee will receive a summary of the main themes, but no identifiable comments. TB MAC values this input from the community, which feeds into annual evaluation reports given to the Steering Committee and funder. Past reports are available [here](https://us8.admin.mailchimp.com/campaigns/show?id=2969605). The deadline for comments is the end of October.

**Job opportunity, closes 23rd October.** LSHTM have an opening for an enthusiastic and self-motivated Assistant Professor to join a world leading group of tuberculosis epidemiologists and modellers ([http://tbmodelling.lshtm.ac.uk](http://tbmodelling.lshtm.ac.uk)), working on a set of exciting health economics projects including treatment adherence and TB burden. For details and to apply click [here](https://us8.admin.mailchimp.com/campaigns/show?id=2969605).

**Funding available:** Do you know someone who would like to attend TBMAC’s *Introduction to TB Modelling* Course at the Union conference, on Wednesday 30th October, from 08:00 to 14:00 IST in room MR G.04? Participants looking for an introduction to the basic structure, assumptions, principles and concepts of TB modelling, look no further than TB MAC’s Post Graduate course *An Introduction to Tuberculosis Modelling*. We are able to cover the registration costs of this course for individuals from low and middle income countries. To apply for this funding, please email us at [tb-mac@lshtm.ac.uk](mailto:tb-mac@lshtm.ac.uk) and include your current institution and country, as well as a brief paragraph justifying your interest. Successful applications will be notified on a weekly basis. Please pass on the details of this course and funding to anyone you think would be interested.
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Join us at The Union Conference for TB MAC's symposium: *Modelling to support ending the emergency: Science, leadership, action*, on the 2nd of November, from 14:00 to 15:30 IST in room MR 1.03 & 1.04. We have pulled together an exciting group of presenters to discuss four modelling initiatives supporting acceleration towards ending the emergency, and a policy maker’s perspective on the advantages and disadvantages of modelling for country- and global-level TB decision-making. Please pass on the details of this symposium to anyone you think would be interested.

Save the date, Friday the 1st of November 18:00 IST, venue still to be confirmed, to join members of the TB MAC community for informal drinks at the Union. Please register your interest by filling in your details in this short form.

Have a look at TB MAC's modelling guide to the Union Conference, to help you to identify modelling talks at this years conference. Click here to see the guide. The document is fully editable so please add any items you feel are appropriate or may have been overlooked.

**TB MAC's Request for applications is NOW OPEN, submit by 31 October 2018 23:59 GMT.** TB MAC is looking for applications to conduct modelling analyses related to the epidemiology and/or economics of TB and primary care/universal health coverage (UHC). The total funding available for this call is US$100,000. We usually fund 2 applications. Applications are therefore encouraged to propose budgets of no more than US$50,000 for the highest likelihood of funding, but up to $100,000 will be considered. For more information on the assessment criteria and submission process head over to [http://tb-mac.org/rfa/](http://tb-mac.org/rfa/). A decision will be made on the 18th November.

**Recent publications from our community**

Cherng et al consider state-level heterogeneity of TB incidence amongst high-risk groups in the USA

Menzies et al describe the impact of migration on TB in the USA

Jajarmi et al model the optimal control of diabetes and tuberculosis coexistence

Ku & Dodd consider the impact of population aging on TB incidence data in Taiwan

If you have any recently published TB modelling papers that you would like us to highlight in our future newsletters, email us with details.

For more information on TB MAC, or to get involved, please contact any of the TB MAC Committee, visit [www.tb-mac.org](http://www.tb-mac.org) or email us directly at tb-mac@lshtm.ac.uk.
Best wishes,
Richard, Finn, Madeleine and the TB MAC Committee

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