

# THE IMMUNOLOGS

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## A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted just how essential human connection is to our everyday lives. The enforced exile and isolation of the Circuit Breaker and Phase 1 made us long for the day we could immerse ourselves in work, and be surrounded by familiar faces.

Do we know each other, though?

Everybody knows Chien Tei, our cheerful and capable Programme Lab Manager. However, our interactions are, more often than not, restricted to our lab members. Who doesn't feel that mild sense of panic when someone starts chatting about your project, and you're desperately racking your brains for their name? (I know I have!) Maybe we've been so caught up in the pursuit of research excellence, that we've missed out on the wonderful things that come with being a part of a wider community. Or maybe the thought of getting to know what others are working on has crossed your mind, but you just don't know where to start.

Our newsletter The Immunologs, curated by Sharon, hopes to be that bridge for you. Every month, we bring you the latest news and publications in immunology and upcoming events in an easy-to-digest brief. Additionally, once a quarter, we highlight emerging technologies, upcoming research projects, and in our get-to know-you segment, our people. In a time when reaching out seems harder than ever, we're here to help you keep abreast with what's happening in the world of immunology, and within our Programme.

I would also like to thank you all for your support and contribution to the Programme during the difficult time of 2020. You have shown a strong solidarity, team spirit and resilience!

May 2021 be a fruitful year for you!

Associate Professor Veronique Angeli



## HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN OUR CORE FACILITIES?

As part of the ITRP's launch, we are introducing a slew of new platforms. On top of our existing Flow Cytometry, Advanced Imaging, and Antibody Engineering cores, we are adding the following enabling technology platforms:

- Bioinformatics, headed by Dr Chen Jinmiao & Dr Rudi Alberts
- Bacteriophage-based microbiome editing, headed by Dr Wilfried Moreira

We are also expanding our capabilities in the Advanced Imaging and histology field:

- To our microscopy and electron microscopy Advanced Imaging facilities, we have added Image Processing & Analysis, headed by Dr Anne Beghin &
  - Our Histology core is now headed by Dr Lim Hwee Ying Angeline
- We will be featuring our cores and managers over the course of the coming year, so keep your eyes peeled!

## EVENTS IN FEBRUARY



Tuesday | 9 February 2021 | 12-1pm

Dr Wilfried Moreira

ITRP Seminar Series: Bacteriophages And Their Applications: From Biofilm Dispersion To Microbiome Editing



Tuesday | 23 February 2021 | 9-10.30am

Professor Harvey Lodish

Academic Entrepreneurs, New Technologies and Building a Biotechnology Ecosystem: A Personal History



Wednesday | 24 February 2021 | 4-4.45pm

Tham Guo Hong

ITRP Research in Progress: February 2021

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