



## New Diagnostics Working Group

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### News

[Global Fund - New funding model and application materials available online](#)

[Call for nominations – Global Laboratory Initiative Core Group](#)

Closing date for applications: 1st March 2014

[International Conference on Tuberculosis 'Scientific Research Progress and Hope in the Fight against Tuberculosis'](#)

24 March 2014, University of Gent, Belgium

[6<sup>th</sup> GLI Partners' Meeting](#)

30 April – 2 May 2014, Executive Board Meeting Room, WHO, Geneva, Switzerland

Registration at [harrop1@who.int](mailto:harrop1@who.int)

[Save the date - Workshop on Pediatric Tuberculosis: Addressing research gaps in Diagnostic TB Biomarkers in Children](#)

5-6 May 2014, NIAID, Bethesda, MD, United States

[Tackling drug-resistant TB in London](#)

[TB: how many young children are wrongly diagnosed as disease-free?](#)

### New scientific articles

[Xpert® MTB/RIF assay for pulmonary tuberculosis and rifampicin resistance in adults](#) (Updated)  
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[Tuberculosis: progress and challenges in product development and delivery](#)

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## Publications

[WHO Executive Board recommends post-2015 global TB strategy to Assembly](#)

- Resolution developed by the Executive Board
- WHO report on the proposed post-2015 TB Strategy and targets (as presented to the Executive Board)
- Short summary of the proposed post-2015 TB Strategy and targets

[Review of the National Tuberculosis Programme in the Republic of Moldova](#)

WHO Europe

[TB Care I Annual Report Year 3](#)

TB Care I

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