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## **Reminder: UCT to host scientific symposium on challenges in metabolic vulnerabilities in common diseases**

**27 November 2017 | 09h15-17h00 | Wolfson Pavilion Lecture Theatre, Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine, Faculty of Health Sciences, UCT**

The University of Cape Town's Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM), the Department of Integrative Biomedical Sciences (IBMS) and the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf), will host a scientific symposium titled "Beyond the Canonical Roles of Metabolism: Reflections and Looking Ahead".

This symposium aims to look beyond the classic metabolism by including research around new therapeutic opportunities and challenges in targeting metabolic vulnerabilities in patients with tuberculosis, cancer and HIV.

Confirmed speakers for the scientific session include Professors Siamon Gordon (Oxford University), Tony Segal (University College London) and Jannie Hofmeyr (Stellenbosch University) as well as leading young researchers from UCT.

This symposium will also celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of former UCT Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor and founding Head of Department of Medical Biochemistry, Prof Wieland Gevers. He was an outstanding researcher during his tenure as Professor and Head of the Department of Medical Biochemistry at UCT, for which he received many accolades. This event will serve to recognise his extraordinary contributions to South African science. He subsequently made major contributions in the area of science policy, mainly as Senior Deputy Vice Chancellor of UCT and through the ASSAf.

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27 NOVEMBER 2017

## PROFESSOR WIELAND GEVERS

We will be celebrating the 80th birthday of Emeritus Professor Wieland Gevers with a Scientific Symposium and Cocktail Reception.

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