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## **UCT and Vaccines for Africa Initiative celebrate 20 years of African Vaccinology Training**

**2 November 2025 | 18:00-21:00 SAST | Adriatic Suite, Lagoon Beach Hotel, Milnerton**

The University of Cape Town (UCT) in collaboration with [Vaccines for Africa Initiative \(VACFA\)](#), will on Sunday, 2 November 2025 celebrate 20 years of the Annual African Vaccinology Course. Under the theme "Building Vaccinology Expertise in Africa," the 20th anniversary will be celebrated at a gala dinner at Lagoon Beach Hotel, Milnerton at 18:00.

The course is one of its kind in Africa and was developed in response to the growing demand for vaccinology training in Africa and the lag in implementing vaccine programmes in Africa. During the 20 years that the course has been running, the aims have been refined to include understanding of the challenges and opportunities in vaccinology at regional and global levels, exploring the roles and challenges of National Immunization Technical Advisory Groups (NITAGs) in strengthening immunisation policies in Africa, and fostering collaboration and networking among African vaccinologists.

The event will be focused on the legacy and impact of this long-running course on vaccinology programmes in Africa.

Members of the media are requested to [RSVP](#) for attendance.

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