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HOW WE CAN WIN THE WAR AGAINST PARASITES – DON

A Professor of Parasitology and Tropical Medicine, Oyetunde Timothy Oyeyemi has asserted that man can win the war against parasites if we can innovate, collaborate and educate by dismantling the barriers of misinformation, strengthen healthcare systems and champion the integration of science into policy.

Professor Oyetunde Oyeyemi, who made this claim at the 10th Inaugural Lecture of the University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo, on Tuesday, 25th February, 2025, described parasites as “the silent adversaries of human health which have long thrived in the shadows, infiltrating lives and eluding detection”. He said science has been relentless in putting an end to it. According to him, “through dedicated research, we have learned to decode their patterns, understand their biology and anticipate their strategies”.



He added that “with every antigen profiled, every diagnostic tool developed, and every parasite-host interaction elucidated, we move one step closer to tipping the scales in favour of human health”

Oyeyemi, whose inaugural lecture topic was “Webs of Affliction, Thread of Hope: Unravelling Parasites, Patterns, and Pathways to Health”, called for concerted efforts from all and sundry to win the war against the affliction of parasites. In his words, “Let us together be the generation that loosens the grip of parasites on human health. Let us be the architects of a future where science and society walk hand in hand toward a horizon free of neglected topical diseases”.

FROM THE EDITOR

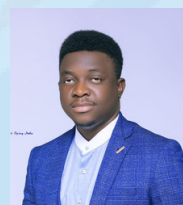
Parasites are silent adversaries of humans. They wreak havoc on man day in, day out. The more they do this, the more humans continue to wage war against them through science, dedicated research and so on. Is man winning the war against the affliction of parasites? Is there hope in the horizon? Read the story of the 10th Inaugural Lecture delivered by Professor Oyetunde Oyeyemi to get answers to the posers.

Societal challenges come in different forms, particularly health issues. While parasites threaten man on daily basis, infectious diseases do not leave man alone. They spread like a bush fire in the dry season. How do we combat them? Hope is rising as innovative solutions are being proffered. Experts say mathematical modelling and data analytics can be used to tackle the menace of infectious diseases. How? Check out the details in this edition of UNIMED Weekly!

As a purpose-driven leader, Professor Adesegun Fatusi, bows out as the second substantive Vice-Chancellor of UNIMED on Sunday, 9th March, 2025, activities have been lined up to celebrate the end of tenure of a silent achiever and transformational leader by both the town and the gown. Details are inside this newsletter.

Purpose is key in the journey of life. To leave indelible footprints, one must be purposeful and focused. Dr Agbaje, in his column this week, interrogates the subject ‘Purpose’. It is a piece you cannot afford to ignore.

As usual, this edition is informative and educative. Enjoy it and have a fruitful week ahead!



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

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"All the world over it is true that a double-minded man is unstable in all his ways, like a wave on the streamlet, tossed hither and thither with every eddy of its tide. A determinate purpose in life and a steady adhesion to it through all disadvantages, are indispensable conditions of success."

– William M. Punshon

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News Links of the 10th Inaugural Lecture

<https://thesun.ng/don-proffers-solutions-to-challenges-pose-by-parasites/>

<https://guardian.ng/news/don-advocates-strengthening-healthcare-systems-to-tackle-risks-of-parasites/>

<https://www.optimaltimesnews.com/2025/02/28/how-we-can-win-war-against-parasites-by-don/>

UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES
ONDO CITY, ONDO STATE, NIGERIA

10th Inaugural Lecture

to be delivered by
PROF. OYETUNDE T. OYEYEMI B.Sc., M.Sc., Ph.D.
Department of Biosciences and Biotechnology

Topic:
Webs of Affliction, Thread of Hope: Unraveling
Parasites, Patterns, and Pathways to Health

Tuesday, 25th Feb., 2025 11am

Venue: Tetfund Lecture Theatre, Laje Campus.

Under the distinguished Chairmanship of
Adesegun Olayiwola Fatusi, F.N.A.M.E.D., F.A.S.
VICE-CHANCELLOR

LIVE STREAM <https://bit.ly/UnimedMedia>

INFECTIOUS DISEASES CAN BE TACKLED BY MATHEMATICAL MODELLING AND DATA ANALYTICS - EXPERTS

A group of experts under the auspices of the International Centre for Applied Mathematical Modelling and Data Analytics (ICAMMDA); Federal University, Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) in collaboration with the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo have said that infectious diseases can be tackled by mathematical modelling.

This claim was made at a 2-day symposium organised by the two institutions between Wednesday, 26th February and Thursday, 27th February, 2025 at TETFund Building Hall, Laje Campus of UNIMED on "Infectious Disease Modelling and Analytics."

According to Professor E.A. Bakare, the Director, ICAMMDA Mathematical modelling that impacts the society goes beyond academic one. Mathematical modelling now helps to solve a lot of challenges in the society. Challenges are identified and appropriate solutions proffered using modelling and data analytics. Specifically, infectious diseases are now being tackled by mathematical modeling".

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adesegun Fatusi, represented at the event by the Dean, Faculty of Science, Professor Mojisola Nkiko, commended the organisers for putting together such an innovative symposium aimed at coupling research to development.

"This is a commendable initiative, and it is the direction research should go in the 21st Century. There are a lot of complex challenges in the society, which require innovative solutions. Using mathematical modelling to tackle infectious diseases is novel", he said

The various sessions of the symposium provided useful insights into mathematical modelling, with hands-on session on the use of 'R-Programming'.



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

ADESEGUN FATUSI ALUMNI RESEARCH GRANT

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

✚ Must be a first or second-class upper graduate of UNIMED, Ondo, Ondo State.

✚ Must be currently pursuing a postgraduate programme (M.Sc or Ph.D) in any course within the University.

✚ M.Sc student applicants must be in their first year of the programme.

✚ Ph.D student applicants must have graduated with at least a Ph.D. grade during their M.Sc. programme, which must have been undertaken in UNIMED.

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Deadline for Submission

March 25, 2025

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Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a first- or second-class upper UNIMED graduate.
- Must be a current M.Sc. (1st-year) or Ph.D. student at UNIMED.
- Ph.D. applicants must have earned a Ph.D. grade in their UNIMED M.Sc. program.

Deadline for Submission
March 25, 2025

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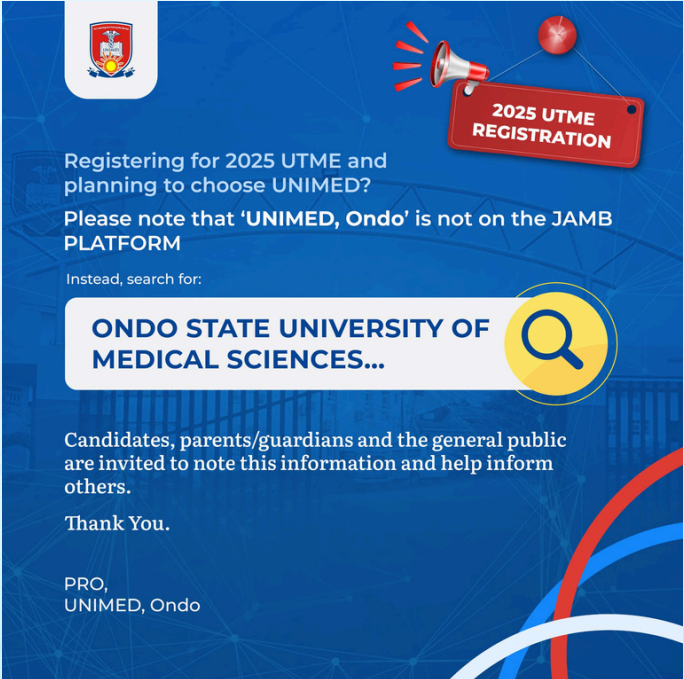
2025 UTME REGISTRATION: WE ARE ONDO STATE UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES IN JAMB BROCHURE

The University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo has been inundated with calls over the confusion about the name to look out for in the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board brochure for the 2025 UTME registration.

While the law establishing the University as amended and passed in December 2024 recognises the institution as "University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo", it is yet to be effected in the brochure of JAMB.

According to the Admission Officer of the University, Ms. Olufunbi Ladapo "Candidates, parents and guardians of wards who are currently registering for the 2025 UTME and are willing to apply to UNIMED, Ondo should look out for 'Ondo State University of Medical Sciences' on the JAMB platform as 'UNIMED' is not yet on the platform".

This information is to ensure that no candidate is deprived of gaining admission to the University of Medical Sciences, Ondo.



Registering for 2025 UTME and planning to choose UNIMED?
Please note that 'UNIMED, Ondo' is not on the JAMB PLATFORM

Instead, search for:

ONDO STATE UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES...

Candidates, parents/guardians and the general public are invited to note this information and help inform others.

Thank You.

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UNIMED, Ondo

News Links

<https://www.optimaltimesnews.com/2025/02/23/2025-utme-registration-we-are-ondo-state-university-of-medical-sciences-in-jamb-brochure-says-unimed/>

<https://betareports.com/2025-utme-registration-unimed-highlights-name-as-ondo-state-university-of-medical-sciences-in-jamb-brochure/>

<https://www.thirdeye.com.ng/2025/02/2025-utme-registration-unimed.html>

<https://citymirrornews.com/news/2025/23/2025-utme-registration-we-are-ondo-state-university-of-medical-sciences-in-jamb-brochure/>

UNIMED TO HOLD 10TH MATRICULATION IN MARCH 2025

The University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo, will hold its 10th Matriculation Ceremony on Wednesday, 5th March, 2025 at the Main Auditorium, Odosida Campus of the institution.

In a release signed on behalf of the Registrar by Mr Akinola O. Oke, Principal Assistant Registrar (Academic Affairs), the matriculation will be conducted in batches. According to him, The first batch will include Faculties of Allied Health Sciences, Medical Rehabilitation, and Pharmacy; the second batch will comprise Faculties of Basic Medical Sciences, Clinical Sciences, and the School of Public Health; and the third batch will compose of Faculties of Basic Clinical Sciences, Dental Sciences, Nursing Science, and Science." The time for the matriculation shall be 9am, 11am and 1pm respectively for the three batches.



Speaking further, Mr Oke said "The list of candidates who are eligible for matriculation in the 2024/2025 Academic Session as approved by the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) will be forwarded to each faculty on or before Monday, 25th February, 2025." He then added that "that anyone whose name does not appear on the list forwarded to the faculties is not eligible for matriculation".

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK WITH DR. DAVID O. AGBAJE

“People you served might not serve you; people you loved might not love you; people you helped might gang up to pull you down; and people you stand for might stand against you. But always remember that anything you do for humanity is never a waste, for God, who sees everything, has a way of rewarding your good deeds.”

MEANING:

This quote highlights the often harsh reality that those we support or care for may not always reciprocate our kindness. It emphasizes that people can sometimes act in ways that are contrary to the love or help we've shown them. However, the core message is one of resilience and hope: despite these challenges, every act of kindness and service to others contributes positively to the world. Ultimately, it suggests that there is a higher power, God, who recognizes and rewards our good deeds, reinforcing the belief that our efforts to uplift humanity are meaningful and valuable, even if they go unrecognized by others. Keep spreading kindness and love—it's never in vain!



UPCOMING EVENTS



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Laje Road, Ondo City, Ondo State, Nigeria

Cordially requests the presence of

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11TH DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Topic

**"University and National
Development in an Era of
Economic Challenges."**

THURS, 6TH MARCH 2025 | 11.00 AM

**Oladipupo Akinkugbe Hall, Laje
Medical Campus, Ondo.**

PROF. ADESEGUN OLAYIWOLA FATUSI, FNAMed, FAS
VICE-CHANCELLOR (HOST)



MR MARTIN OLOJA
Former Managing Director/Editor-in-Chief
Guardian Newspapers Limited, Nigeria

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CHAPEL OF CHRIST

Cordially requests your presence at the

VALEDICTORY SERVICE

in honour of our VC

**Prof. Adesegun Olayiwola
Fatusi, FNAMed, FAS**

**Sunday, 9th
March 2025**

10:00 AM

Ministering:
PASTOR LANRE ADENEKAN
Founding Pastor, Chapel of
Victory, Sagamu

CHAPEL OF CHRIST, UNIMED
Oladipupo Akinkugbe
Auditorium, Laje



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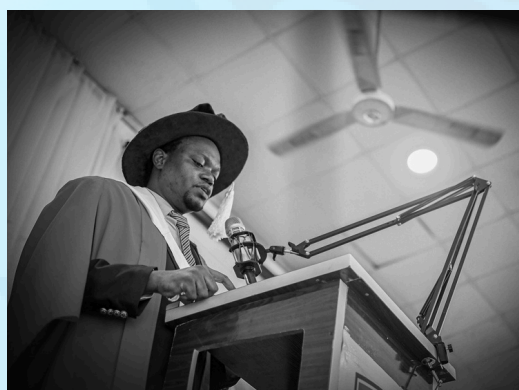


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STUDENTS PROFESSIONAL BODIES COURTESY VISIT TO VC

