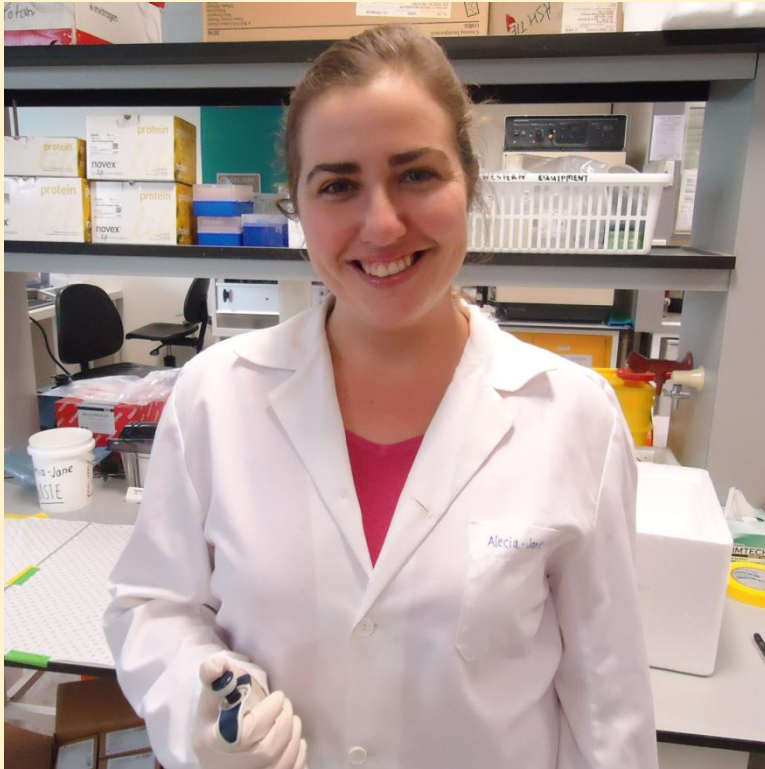


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“Being awarded the TBF allowed me to cross the globe to learn the latest techniques in mammary gland biology and build an independent research project. I am at the forefront of characterising the molecular and functional profile of the lactating breast.”

Alecia-Jane Twigger

Postdoctoral Fellow, Helmholtz Centre
Germany
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“This award enabled me to visit the University of California San Diego and work with Dr. Lars Bode and his team of scientists. It allowed me to pursue my academic dream, build my career in human milk and lactation, and make a valuable contribution to the field of Dietetics in South Africa.”

Klara Strydom

MNut Student, Stellenbosch University
South Africa
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“Thanks to the TEP experience, I was able to put all the pieces together to complete my dissertation. This opportunity allowed me to learn a new methodology of analysis, and to expand my network. Many doors have opened for me after this experience!”

Adriana Gaitán

PhD Candidate, Louisiana State University

Louisiana, USA

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"I visited Anandaban Hospital in Lalitpur, Nepal, and was able to set up a strong international collaboration, learn diagnostic techniques used for tissues and adapt them for milk, and learn how to collect milk samples in a culturally-appropriate way. This experience was extremely valuable for my graduate education."

Kimberly Lackey

Doctoral candidate, Washington State University
Washington, USA
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“Visiting the University of Manitoba and the CHILD Study offered me an excellent opportunity for my future career. I gained knowledge of human milk oligosaccharides and developed new skills required to link and analyze complex biological datasets.”

Kozeta Miliku

PhD Student, Erasmus University Medical Centre
The Netherlands
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"My internship at Nantes University gave me the opportunity to develop my laboratory skills. I learned a specific technique developed by Dr. Kaeffer's team to evaluate microRNAs in breast milk."

Camille Dugas

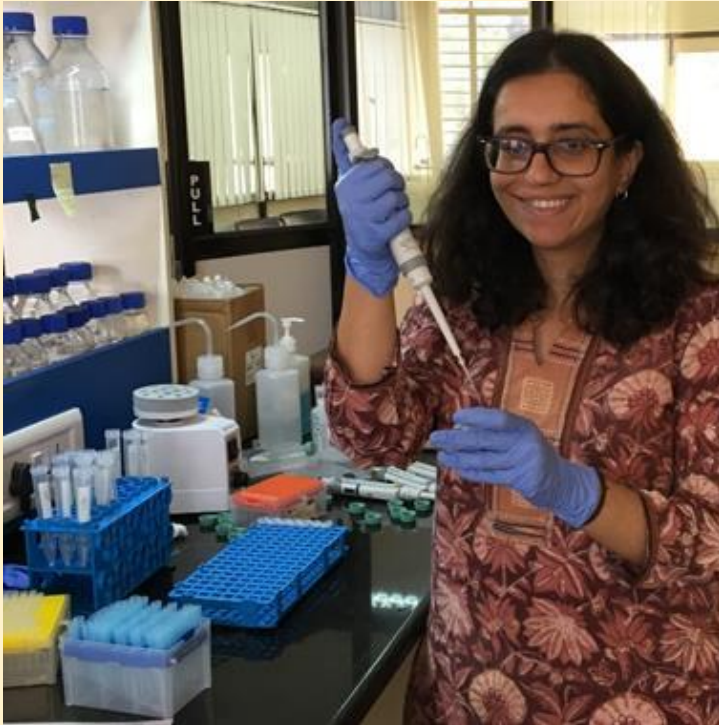
PhD student, Laval University
Quebec, Canada
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“My time at CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute was greatly enriching, as I gained invaluable laboratory experience. I learned the use of sophisticated high-throughput methods to analyze mycotoxins in human milk using liquid chromatography coupled to high resolution mass spectrometry.”

Rukshan Mehta

PhD Student, Emory University
Georgia, USA
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“I am studying the effect of maternal stress on breast milk composition and the neonatal gut microbiome. Expanding on my preclinical expertise, I am exploring the field of human milk research for the first time, and it has been fascinating. I am thrilled that the Trainee Bridge Fund enables me to continue in this exciting field of research.”

Eva van Meeteren-Naninck

Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Amsterdam
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“This was a remarkable opportunity for me to develop my career in breastfeeding research and strengthen my professional skill set. My project will fill an important research gap to help advocate for increased financial investments for breastfeeding programs.”

Grace Carroll

Yale School of Public Health
New Haven, USA

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“Visiting the University of Western Australia and Dr. Geddes’ lab offered me an excellent experience in the field of human milk and lactation research. I gained knowledge of milk nutrients, hormones and proteins and learnt new skills and techniques.”

Alba Boix Amorós

Institute of Agrochemistry and Food Technology, IATA-CSIC.
Valencia, Spain.

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