



**Pan African Thoracic Society  
Methods in Epidemiologic, Clinical and Operations Research**

**PATS MECOR 2019**

A Research Training Course for Health Professionals in Africa

**Applications for the course will be available on the  
Pan African Thoracic Society (PATS)  
website 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

The 2019 course will be held at the **White Sands Beach Resort, Tanzania**  
Three workshops will run concurrently from the **10th – 14th June 2019**

**Level 1: Measuring the Burden of Disease**

For health professionals with an interest in Respiratory Medicine, and who wish to improve their clinical research and investigation. No prior experience of research is needed for Level 1

**Level 2: Advanced Clinical Research Methods**

Applicants should have research experience or have attended Level 1

**Level 3: Further research skills, grant and paper writing**

Applicants for Level 3 must have completed Level 2

We will emphasise methods for quantifying the burden of respiratory disease in Africa, so preference in selecting applicants will be given to individuals with a specific interest in this area of research

**What will MECOR graduates gain?**

PATS MECOR hopes to provide annual training workshops, ongoing mentorship and a forum in which graduates will be able to present their research findings.

We anticipate that PATS MECOR graduates will form the research backbone of PATS.

**Why is research training useful?**

Research training helps in all aspects of a career in clinical medicine, academic medicine and research. Research data provide the impetus and momentum for change in health care methods, priority setting, local and national budget allocation and training.

**How does the application process work?**

Details of the application process can be found on the PATS website from November 2018  
<http://panafricanthoracic.org/>

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