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CBTBR boasts a whopping 9 PhD graduates in 2007/8

The CBTBR has successfully produced 9 PhD graduates in the past year. These students with their “thesis titles” are as follows: Teri Roberts (The characterization of immune responses during *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* infection), Hanne Veenstra (The Investigation Of Peripheral Blood Cellular Immune Responses During Infection With *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis*), Elizabeth M. Streicher (Application of spoligotyping in the understanding of the dynamics of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* strains in high incidence communities), Chantal Louiza Babb (Identification of candidate genes and testing for association with tuberculosis in humans), Marlo Möller (Human genetic susceptibility to tuberculosis: The investigation of candidate genes influencing interferon gamma levels and other candidate genes affecting immunological pathways), Hendrik Johannes Nel (The influence of helminth infection on the host immune response to mycobacteria), Don Hayward (Functional and genetic study of *M.tuberculosis* Glutamine Synthetase (GS) and other factors possibly involved in GS metabolism), Rabia Johnson (Understanding the mechanisms of drug resistance in enhancing rapid molecular detection of drug resistance in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*) and Joel Fleury Djoba Siawaya (Immune Parameters as Biomarkers of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* Sterilization during Anti-tuberculosis Treatment).

In Photo: Some of the CBTBR PhD graduates and their supervisors at the Awards Ceremony.

