# Global Heath Research in Population Health Group

- Prof Nuala McGrath
  - HIV-sexual health, Sub-Saharan Africa
- Dr Nisreen Alwan
  - NCDs, mother-child health, Middle East
- Sara Afshar PhD
  - Multimorbidity
- Others: Acute Kidney Injury (0-25 initiative); China NCDs (Dr Lily Yao); NCDs in refugees (M Jawad PhD); UG teaching

# Global health research agenda

- Senior faculty at Africa Centre for Population Health, University KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
- Couples, sexual partnerships and sexual health
  - RCT Couples HIV prevention study
  - Understanding the role of migration in HIV transmission
  - Tailoring interventions for migrant partners
  - STI treatment and prevention in Africa and UK
- Intervention studies in South Africa
  - RCT Treatment as prevention (ongoing study; new application to EDCTP)
  - DREAMs To reduce HIV incidence among AGYW in 10 sub-Saharan African countries
- Other work
  - HIV treatment adherence
  - Multimorbidity & NCDs in HIV-infected individuals



## External collaborations

### Africa

- Africa Centre for Population Health, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
- Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa
- University of Cape Town, South Africa
- African Centre of Migration and Society, U of Witwatersrand, South Africa
- Analysing Longitudinal Population-based HIV data on Africa (ALPHA) network

## UK / Europe

- Solent Health (CLAHRC)
- London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
- UCL
- University of Bordeaux, France
- Centre Population & Development, Paris, France
- INSERM, Marseille, France

#### USA

- UCSF, Harvard and International Centre for Research on Women
- World Health Organisation



## Nisreen Alwan

### PhD supervision:

- Comparison of dietary patterns in pregnancy and offspring outcomes between the Danish National Birth Cohort and UK birth cohorts
- Socio-economic determinants of gestational and type II diabetes in Saudi Arabia

#### Collaborations:

- American University of Beirut planned comparison of dietary patterns between national samples from UK and Lebanon
- > Sultan Qaboos University (Oman) establishing a pilot birth cohort in Muscat
- Sex-selective abortion in Nepal a collaboration with demography (Soton) and academics from the University of Oxford and Nepal

#### Networks:

 Public Health Arab Network (chapter author of Public Health in the Arab World book)

## Sara Afshar PhD

- GLOBAL PATTERNS OF MULTIMORBIDITY
- Collaboration between Faculty of Medicine, Human & Social Sciences; and collaborators from WHO Study of Global AGEing.
- Using a **Mixed-methods** approach:
- ➤ **Prevalence studies** of multimorbidity using the World Health Survey (28 countries) and longitudinal household surveys in China, Ghana, India, Mexico, Russia and South Africa, and SES and urbanisation
- Qualitative field work exploring the facilitators and barriers of the health system for women living with multimorbidity in the Greater Accra region, Ghana