

Professor Tanya Parish, Ph.D.

Professor Tanya Parish is actively involved in the work of The Lilly TB Drug Discovery Initiative in her role as Acting Director of Drug Discovery at the Infectious Disease Research Institute (IDRI). She is a molecular microbiologist with 15 years experience with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. She joined IDRI in 2007 as a Senior Scientist/Principal Investigator, and currently leads the TB Discovery Research Group with a major focus on target identification and validation.

Professor Parish studied for her Ph.D. at the National Institute for Medical Research, where she investigated gene regulation in mycobacteria. She subsequently conducted post-doctoral research at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. In 2000, she took up an academic post at Barts and the London, Queen Mary's School of Medicine and Dentistry (UK), where she still holds a post as Professor of Mycobacteriology. She maintains an active research group in London, investigating the biology and pathogenesis of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*.

Professor Parish has published numerous articles and reviews on *M. tuberculosis*, as well as editing five books on the mycobacteria. She is an Editor for the journal Microbiology (UK), has served on the Editorial Board of Molecular Biotechnology. She is a member of the Acid Fast Club (UK) and previously served as its (Hon) Secretary.