



# Experience and Challenges of the Multilateral Initiative on Malaria (MIM)

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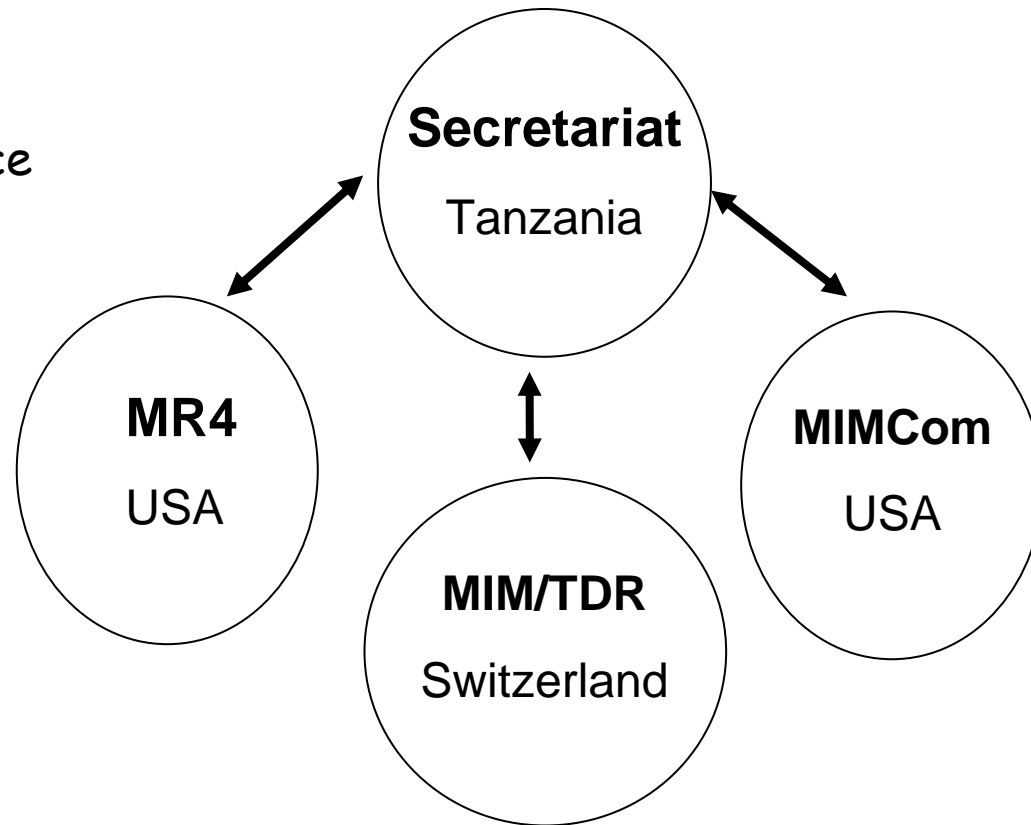
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# What is MIM?

MIM is an alliance of organisations, individuals and



for the promotion of **capacity development** through **collaboration** to undertake malaria **research** that lead to the **control** of the disease in Africa.



# Vision

**Enhance public and international Malaria awareness and response to level matching the disease burden and facilitating African participation in the development of effective control tools**



# MISSION

**Maximizing scientific research impact on malaria through coordinated global collaboration and strengthening African research capacity to participate in the development of treatment and control tools**

# MIM Strategic Objectives

**Promote African  
Involvement &  
commitment in  
MIM**

**Strengthen  
research  
Capacity**

**Facilitate  
Translation of  
research findings  
into malaria control  
programs**

**Advocate on  
global/African malaria  
burden**

**Enhance  
communication/coord  
ination with MIM  
constituents and  
malaria control  
alliances**

# Achievements 1998-2007



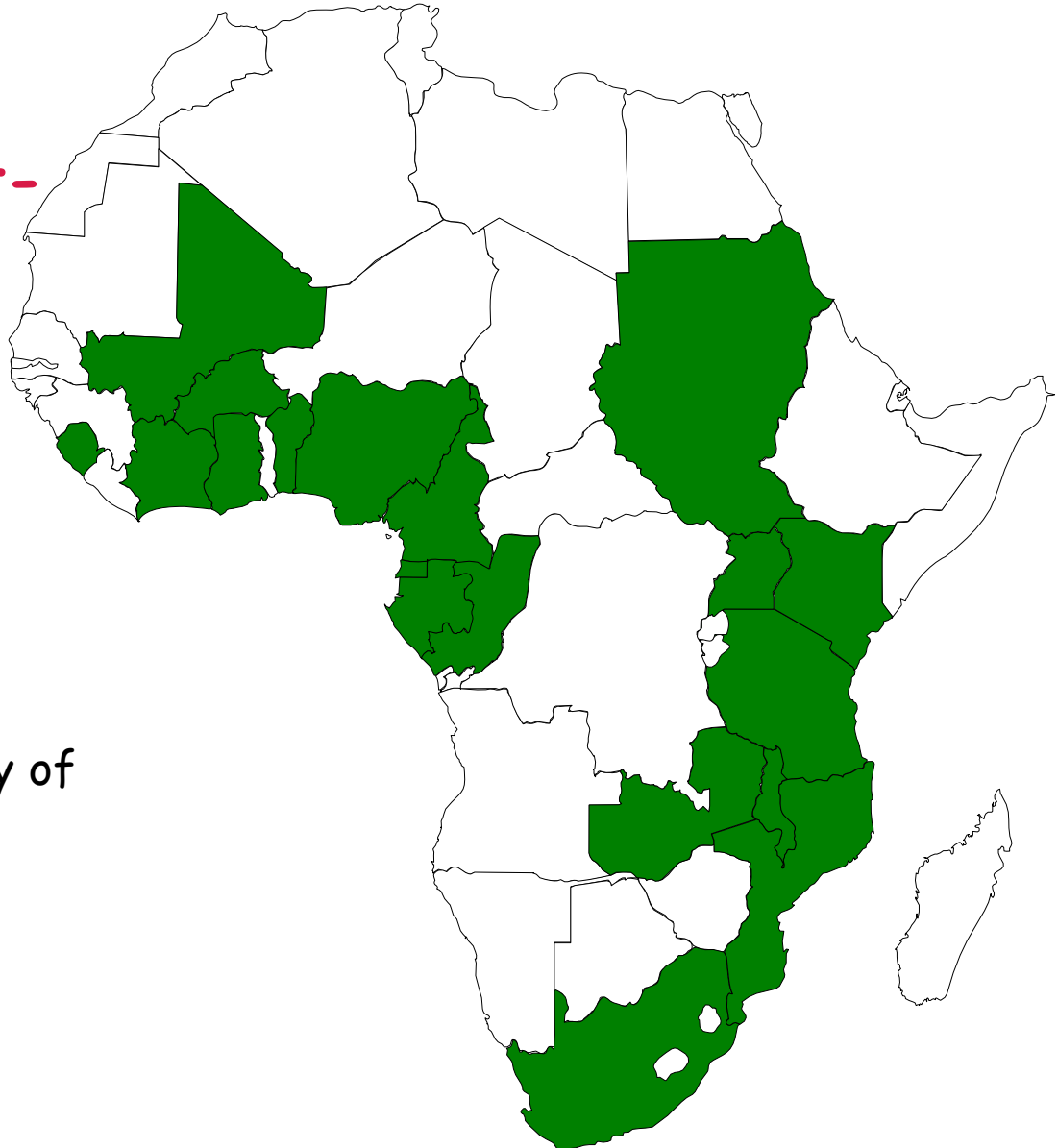


# MIM/TDR Projects

56 PI awarded, Post-docs, PhDs, MSc trainees, more than 100 publications, Many networks (ADRN, MIMPAC, AVRN)

MIM has contributed to the **emergence** of a growing body of reference **research institutions** staffed by well-trained **national scientists**.

**LEADERSHIP**

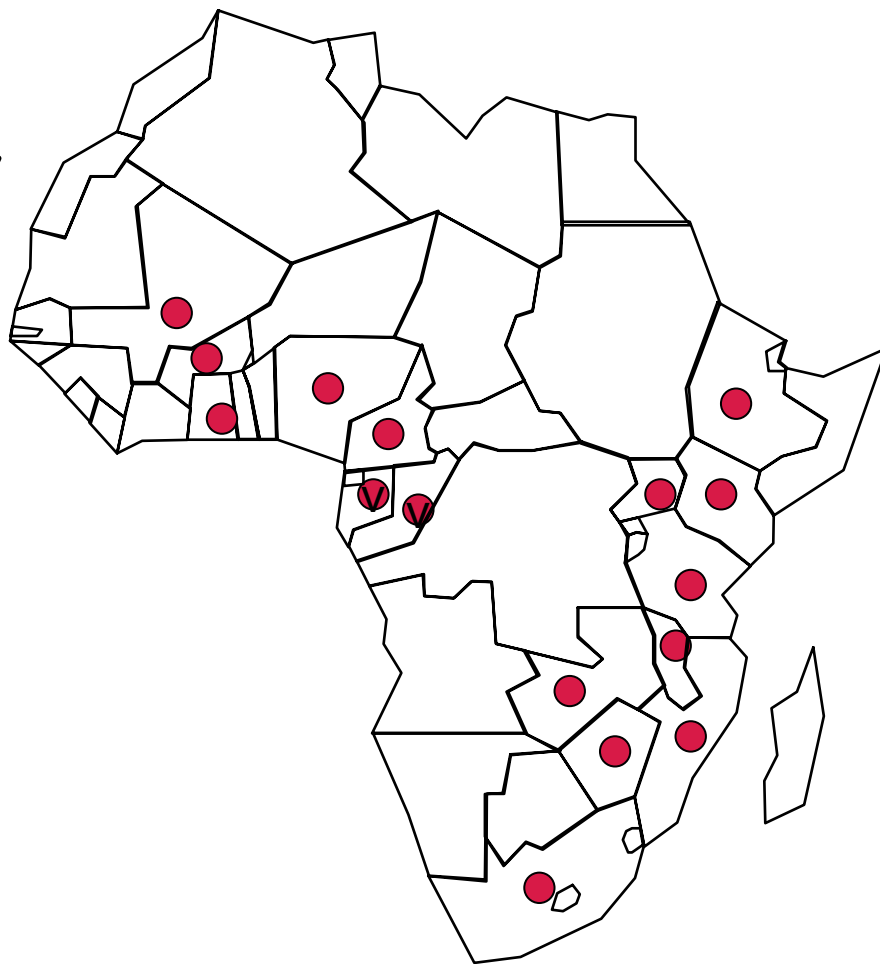




# MIMCom

Unique organizational  
and technical strategy  
to **strengthening  
communication  
between Malaria  
research sites and  
scientific community**  
**Access to electronic  
information**

(The U.S. National Library  
of Medicine and MIM)





REVIEW OF THE  
MULTILATERAL INITIATIVE ON MALARIA (MIM)



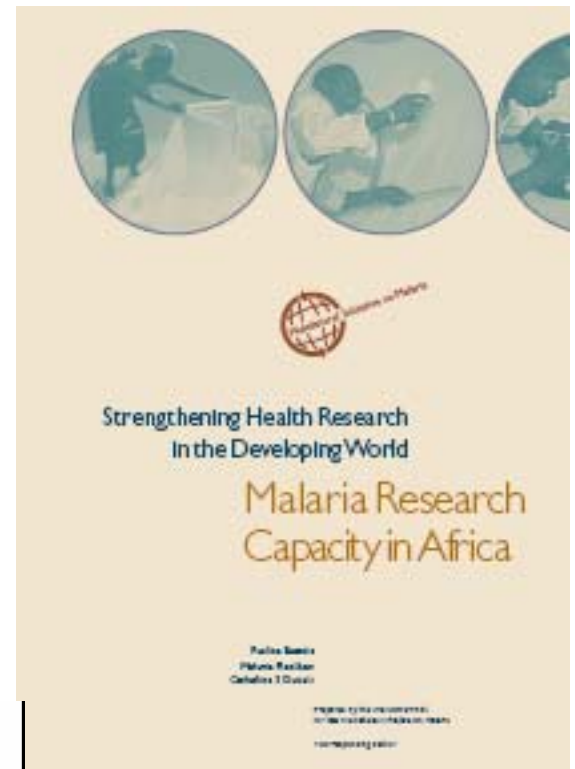
FINAL REPORT

Monday through Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2002  
Fogarty International Center  
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Dr. Moses Bockarie  
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Dr. Thomas Nchinda  
Dr. Isabella Quakyi  
Dr. Mario Rodriguez-Lopez  
Dr. Robert Suow



Malaria Research & Development  
An Assessment of Global Investment



**PUBLICATIONS**



# Malaria Pan-African conferences

- First MIM Conf, 06-09 January 1997 Dakar, Senegal
- Second MIM Conf, 15-19 March 1999 in Durban, South Africa
- Third MIM Conf, 18-22 November 2002 in Arusha, Tanzania
- Fourth MIM Conf, 13-18 November 2005 in Yaounde, Cameroon
- **Fifth MIM Conf, 2-5 November 2009 Nairobi, Kenya**



# What is next?

- Do the goals determined in Dakar 1997 have been achieved?
- Changes in funding landscape and partnerships
- How to give a better support to African researchers?
- Strong MIM Secretariat in Africa



# New MIM Secretariat Strategy

- **Research capacity**
  - Development of networking activities to bridge the gap between universities and research institutions
  - Coordination of specific Educational programs (special attention paid to language issue)
- **Translation of research findings into applied tools**
  - Drive Research and gaps analysis surveys
  - Promoting interface control people-researchers
- **Increasing communication, sharing information, networking**
  - Website, newsletters, meetings and conference

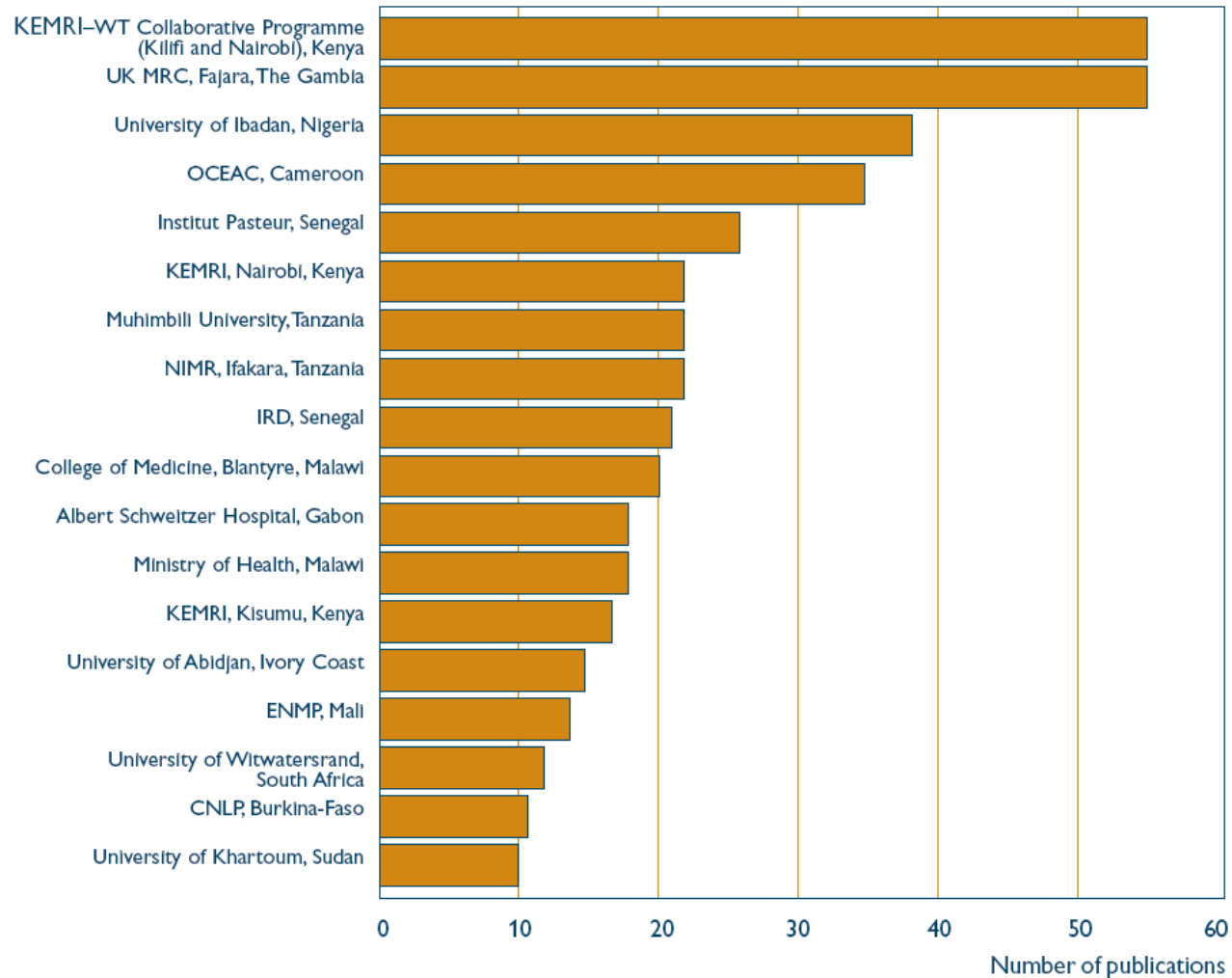


# Challenges

- To contribute to break some lines of isolation
- Increase the ownership of Africans to MIM
- Increase the impact of malaria research in the control of the disease
- MIM as a platform of communication and information

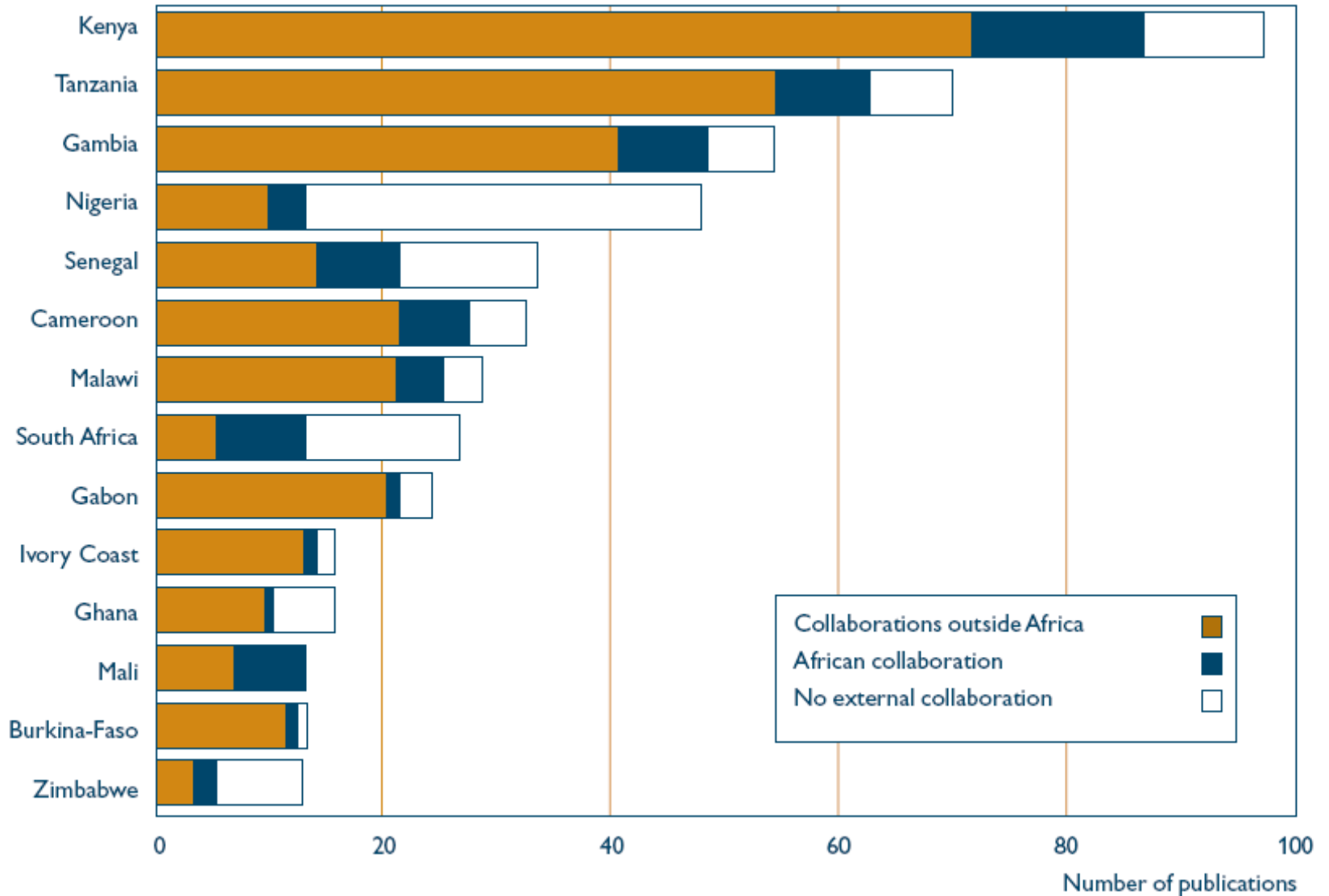


# Highest publishing centres in Africa 1995-1997



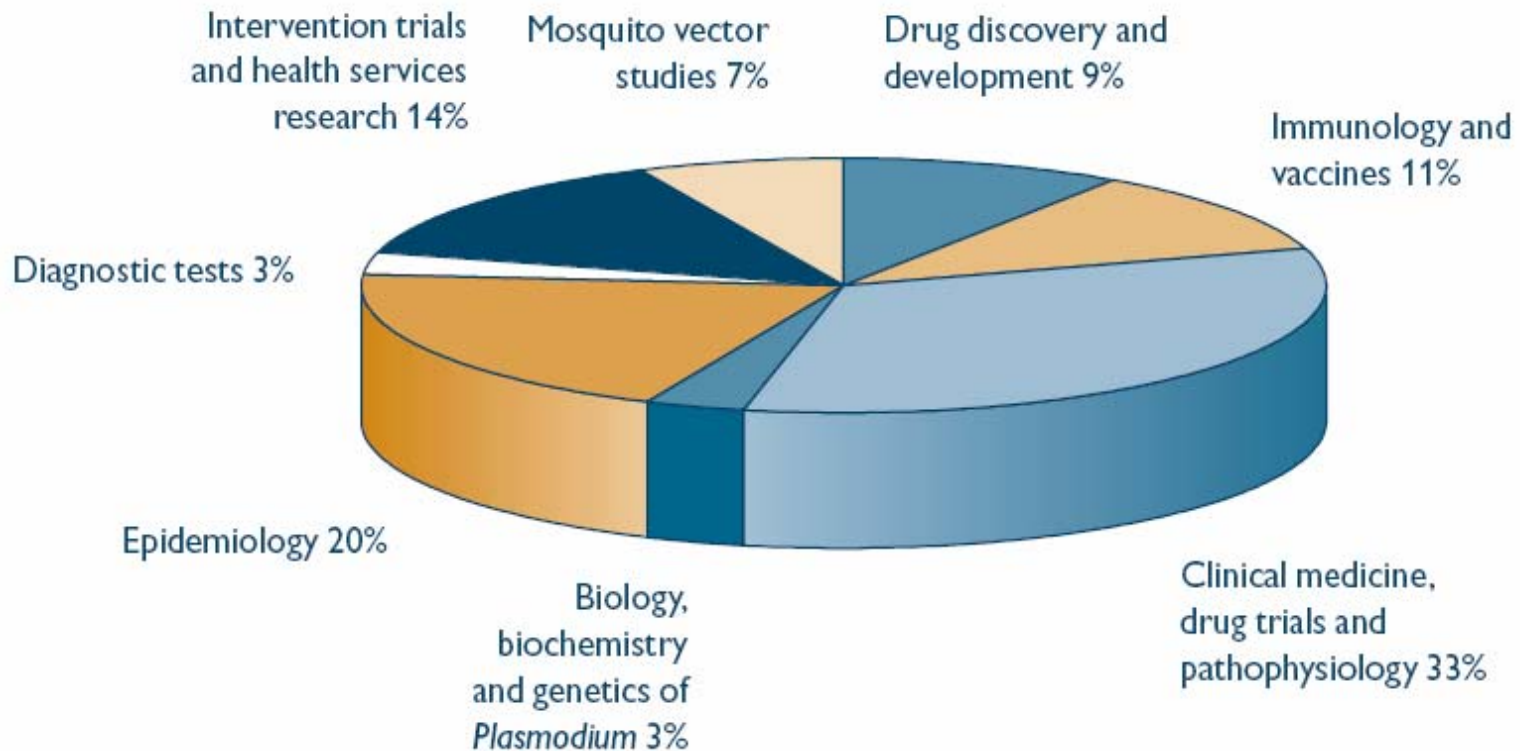


# Collaborations of African countries in malaria research (1995-1997)



# Malaria research capacity review (1999)

(b) African malaria research publications (n = 633)







MIM continues to strengthen African research leadership and management, and to facilitate the "incubation and emergence" of the next generation of African scientists, thereby ensuring sustainability



Thank you

Merci

See you at the MIM Conference  
Nairobi November 2009

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