

TITLE
Coinfections Associated with High Mortality in Severely Immunocompromised HIV Patients
SESSION TYPE
Non-Commercial Satellite
VENUE
Room 242
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Wednesday, 26 July 2017, 07:00 - 08:30
CHAIR
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Despite significant strides in HIV management, coinfections are often the direct cause of mortality in severely immunocompromised HIV-positive individuals in sub-Saharan Africa. Due partly to these patients' immune status, such coinfections can result in unique public health challenges in diagnosis and treatment, especially in resource-limited settings with high multiple disease burden. Major obstacles to effective coinfection management include overlapping toxicities, altered treatment efficacy due to drug-drug interactions, difficulties in medication adherence, and difficulties/delays in diagnosis; for some diseases, there is also a paucity of diagnostic and treatment tools. The symposium will highlight recent advances in HIV/tuberculosis and HIV/cryptococcal coinfections, showcase EDCTP/ANRS-funded projects and present the funding strategy in this area. The following themes will be covered: (1) quantitative diagnostics, (2) advances in efficacious, low toxicity treatments and (3) implementation of treatment algorithms to reduce mortality.

PRESENTATIONS

07:00	Brief introduction to EDCTP and ANRS: Description of ongoing projects and funding opportunities <i>Christy Comeaux, European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP)</i> <i>François Dabis, French National Agency for Research on AIDS and Viral Hepatitis (ANRS)</i>
07:10	Driving REduced AIDS-associated Meningo-encephalitis Mortality in routine care settings in Africa: Update on the DREAMM project <i>Angela Loyse, Meningitis Group, St George's University of London</i>
07:22	High Dose AMBISOME on a Fluconazole Backbone for Cryptococcal Meningitis Induction Therapy in sub-Saharan Africa: A Randomised Controlled Non-inferiority Trial <i>Joseph Jarvis, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine</i>
07:34	Decreasing mortality in HIV-infected adults with severe immune suppression: The STATIS (ANRS 12290) randomized trial <i>François-Xavier Blanc, Nantes University Hospital</i>
07:46	Reducing mortality among advanced stage HIV-infected persons and the translation of a life saving package of care to inform scale-up in real-life settings in sub-Saharan Africa <i>Sayoki Mfinanga, Muhimbili Medical Research Centre, National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR)</i>
07:58	Discussion, led by Chair

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