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## EDCTP update December 2016



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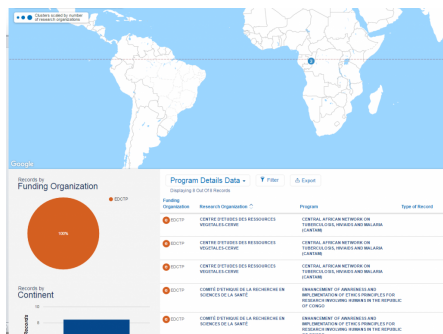
### CALL FOR EXPERTS in implementation research and biomedical ethics

**EDCTP invites applications** from high-level experts for two areas of expertise: implementation research and biomedical ethics. Applications for membership must be submitted by **09 February 2017**



The **Scientific Advisory Committee** is the principal advisory group to EDCTP, providing strategic and scientific advice to the EDCTP General Assembly and the Executive Secretariat as well as oversight of the scientific integrity of the EDCTP programme. The committee is not involved in the review of Calls for proposals.

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### WorldRePORT: important interactive overview of funding for (collaborative) biomedical research

EDCTP contributes data to **World RePORT**, an "open-access, interactive mapping database project highlighting biomedical research investments and partnerships from some of the world's largest funding organizations. A major goal of World RePORT is to

increase the visibility of indirect research activity, which often occurs in collaborations between the domestic research organizations and foreign institutions".

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### Open calls for proposals - DEADLINES in February 2017

The following calls for proposals are currently open:

- [Vaccines for poverty-related diseases](#)
- [Strategic actions supporting large-scale clinical trials](#)
- [Ethics and regulatory capacities](#)



Please visit the [Calls page](#) to see the complete list of funding opportunities in 2016.



## 'Malaria, HIV vaccine achievable 'in one or two decades'

Interview with Dr Leonardo Santos Simão, EDCTP High Representative for Africa, in *Horizon The EU Research & Innovation Magazine*, published 14 December 2016

On the passage from research results to health care practice: "There are two key institutions shaping the passages of healthcare in Africa. The number one is the ministries of health .... The other group is composed of medical schools. Bring (the results) to medical schools so new doctors are going to be trained within these new, updated ways of dealing with diseases."

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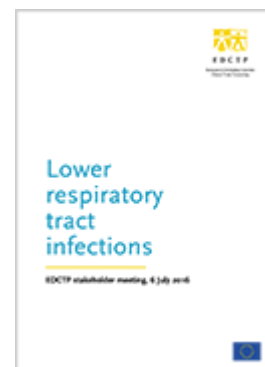
## Results from VAC047 malaria vaccine trial carried out by EDCTP-funded MVVC

[The results were published in PlosOne on 15 December 2016.](#) VAC047 trial which tested the efficacy of ChAd63-MVA ME-TRAP prime-boost vaccination against *P. falciparum* infection in 120 healthy adult males in Senegal, was conducted between July 2012 and March 2013. This study was followed by a larger efficacy trial (VAC050, n=730) conducted in Burkina Faso in infants. Publication of VAC050 results is expected soon.



[More information on Malaria Vected Vaccines Consortium \(MVVC\)](#)

## Recent publications



## Recent tweets

- [Horizon2020 | Switzerland regains full association to Horizon2020 from 1 January 2017](#)
- [Interview | Prof. Doris Schroeder on the TRUST project \(Equitable Partnerships in International Research\) for CAASTNet-Plus Magazine nr 8, Dec. 2016](#)
- [Article | 'In the Epidemics Heart: The Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa, CAPRISA' in IAVI Report 20,4 2016, CAPRISA and EDCTP recently signed the grant agreement for CAPRISA-018 a large-scale clinical trial: A randomised controlled trial to assess the safety, acceptability and pharmacokinetics of a sustained-release tenofovir-alafenamide sub-dermal implant for HIV prevention in women.](#)

- **Call for papers | [Call for additional papers for the PLOS Collection on Leishmaniasis which will accompany the 6th World Leish Congress \(WL6\)](#). @DNDi will award prizes for 20 accepted papers.**
- **Award | [TBVI Young Scientist Awards for outstanding contributions to vaccine R&D. Deadline 10/03/17](#)**

## Recent events

- **EDCTP Financial and Project Management training | Abdoulie Barry**, EDCTP Director of Finance and Administration and **Dr Ole Olesen**, Director of North-North Cooperation (supported by **Sayma Siddiqui** Grants Finance Assistant) conducted a training in the financial and project management of EDCTP-funded projects. The training took place in Nairobi, Kenya, from 6-8 December 2016. Approximately 40 investigators and financial managers participated.



Many thanks to Norah Owaraga

- **ERA LEARN2020** | The Annual Joint Programming Conference took place in Brussels, Belgium 22-23 November 2016. For EDCTP it was attended by Dr **Anne-Laure Knellwolf**, Programme Portfolio manager and **Dr Michael Makanga**, Executive Director, who gave a short presentation of the programme in the session on the role of public-public partnerships in the Health challenge. News and highlights from the conference in the [ERA-LEARN 2020 Newsletter #4 \(Dec 2016\)](#)

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