STOP TB WORKING GROUP ANNUAL MEETING ON NEW DIAGNOSTICS

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POSTER SESSION

Wednesday, 1 November 2006, 11:50-16:30
Havane Room, Palais des Congrès, Paris

FIND, the Foundation for Innovative and New Diagnostics and the World Health Organization’s Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) cordially invite you to the meeting of the STOP TB Partnership Working Group on New Diagnostics.

Established in 2001, the Working Group on New TB Diagnostics (WGND) aims to coordinate and facilitate the development of a toolbox of widely accessible diagnostic tests to increase control of the global TB epidemic. Over the years 2006-2015, the WGND also plans to bring through a portfolio of such diagnostic tests, with implementation level ranging from the district level laboratory to first point of care.

Don’t miss this opportunity to obtain information about the latest findings and tools being developed in the TB diagnostics field and to visit the poster session (11:50-12:30hrs) during which a light buffet will be served.

Chairman: Dr. Giorgio Roscigno, FIND, Geneva
Coordinator: Dr Getachew Aderaye Desta, University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Secretariat: Mr. Andy Ramsay, WHO/TDR, Geneva

(Meeting agenda and poster titles overleaf)
MEETING AGENDA

12:30hrs Welcome and Announcements
Giorgio Roscigno (Chair), Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva
Andy Ramsay (Secretariat), WHO/TDR, Geneva

12:45 The Stop TB Partnership Task Force on Re-tooling
Vinand Nantulya, Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva

13:00 GDF - The Global Drug and Diagnostic Facility
Robert Matim and Hugo Vrakking, Global Drug Facility, Geneva

Madhukar Pai, McGill University, Montreal

13:30 WHO/TDR TB Strain Bank: A new tool for test developers
Leen Rigouts, Institute of Tropical Medicine, Antwerp

13:45 DISCUSSION

14:00 Highlights of the past year: Short reports from WG members
Giorgio Roscigno (Chair), Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva

14:05 Light Emitting Diodes for sputum smear fluorescence microscopy
Arend Kolk, Royal Tropical Institute (KIT), Amsterdam

14:20 Feasibility and sensitivity of a one-day smear microscopy approach to the diagnosis of tuberculosis
Mohammed Yassin, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine

14:35 Using existing technologies and "one-stop" approaches to improve the cost-effectiveness of TB case detection for the poor in Africa
S Bertel Squire, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine

14:50 DISCUSSION

15:05 Update on the development of LAMP technology for TB diagnosis
Tetsu Hase, EIKEN Chemical Company, Japan

15:20 Towards a TB Breath Test
Ruth McNerney, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

15:35 Antigen discovery programme
Jane Harry, Proteome Systems Ltd, Australia

15:50 The MGIT Demonstration Projects
Rick O'Brien, Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva

16:05 DISCUSSION

16:25 Final remarks and close of meeting
Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) - Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva

Titles of Posters

Towards development of new point-of-care tuberculosis diagnostics
B Hamasur, A Pawlowsk, SB Svenson

TB Data Standards and diagnostics
BW Kisler

What is the added value of the 3rd sputum smear in the diagnosis of pulmonary tuberculosis
M Bonnet, F Varaine, W Githui, L Gattide, P Guerin, A Ramsay

A comparison of the cost and performance of four tests for detecting rifampicin resistance

Performance and feasibility of FastPlaqueTB in the diagnosis of sputum-smear negative tuberculosis in an urban African primary health care setting
L Gattide, F Varaine, W Githui, P Guerin, A. Ramsay, M Bonnet