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Education

- 11.2013 – 11.2016: **Doctorate (PhD) in Medical Sciences**
University of Antwerp, Belgium
- 09.2005 – 08.2006: **Master of Science (MSc) in International Health**
Royal Tropical Institute (KIT), Amsterdam, Netherlands; Queen Margaret
University, Edinburgh, UK; Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden
- 10.1998 – 08.2003: **Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB)**
Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Uganda

Certificates

- 2014: Analyzing survey and population data, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine,
London, United Kingdom
- 2012: Intensive course in epidemiology and medical statistics, London School of Hygiene and Tropical
Medicine, London, United Kingdom
- 2006: Qualitative Research Methods in Reproductive Health, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2005: Course in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Royal Tropical Institute, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Professional Experience

- 01.2020 – to date: **Group leader, Sub-Saharan African programs**
Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute (EBPI); University of
Zurich, Switzerland
- 03.2018 – 01.2020: **Post-doctoral researcher**
Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute (EBPI); University of
Zurich, Switzerland
- 12.2016 – 12.2017: **Deputy chief of party, THALAS Project**
Joint Clinical Research Centre, Kampala, Uganda
Targeted HIV/AIDS and Laboratory services (THALAS) project is a USAID
funded project focusing on provision of HIV/AIDS care and treatment,

laboratory services, Prevention of mother to child transmission (PMTCT) and TB services within regional referral and district hospitals (2010 to 2017)

- 05.2015 – 12.2015: **SCIPHA project coordinator**
Joint Clinical Research Centre, Kampala, Uganda
SCIPHA (Strengthening Civil Society for Improved HIV/AIDS and OVC Service Delivery) project was funded by the Civil Society Fund (CSF) in 19 districts within 5 regions in Uganda (2011-2015)
- 04.2011 – 04.2015: **Lablite project coordinator**
Joint Clinical Research Centre, Kampala, Uganda
Lablite was a DFID funded implementation project that investigated strategies to roll out antiretroviral therapy (ART) services safely and cost-effectively to rural health facilities in Uganda, Malawi and Zimbabwe (2011-2015)
- 02.2007 – 03.2011: **Regional manager**
Gulu Regional Centre of Excellence (RCE)
Joint Clinical Research Centre, Gulu, Uganda
Overall management and supervision of activities at Gulu RCE; Coordination of laboratory, clinical, training, research and pharmacy activities at the centre; Scaling up ART and laboratory services to district hospitals and health centres in Northern Uganda, including outreach clinics in hard to reach areas and internally displaced persons (IDP) camps
- 02.2005 – 08.2005: **Medical officer**
International Hospital Kampala (IHK), Uganda
Clinical care and management of patients in the out patients department

Research Experience

- 2016 – 2017: **Co-principal investigator Ampho-B study, JCRC Kampala, Uganda**
This is an open label randomized, multiple dose, two treatment, two period cross over study to compare the bioequivalence of the test product (Amphotericin B (liposome for injection) 50mg vial, Cipla) with that of reference product (Ambisome (Amphotericin B) liposome for injection 50mg vial, Gilead) in adult patients with fungal infections. This is a multicentre, multi-country study in Thailand, South Africa and Uganda.
- 2012 – 2016: **Co-principal investigator REALITY clinical trial, JCRC Gulu, Uganda**
This was a study on reduction of early mortality in HIV infected adults and children starting antiretroviral therapy. This was a multicentre, multi-country study in Kenya, Malawi, Uganda, Zimbabwe and Zambia. Trial Number ISRCTN: 43622374.
- 2010 – 2014: **Co-principal investigator CHAPAS-3 clinical trial, JCRC Gulu, Uganda**
This was a study on pharmacokinetics and acceptability/adherence of simple antiretroviral regimens in children. This was a multicentre, multi-country study in Uganda and Zambia. Trial Number ISRCTN: 69078957.
- 2010 – 2014: **Co-principal investigator EARNEST clinical trial, JCRC Gulu, Uganda**
This was a randomized controlled trial to evaluate options for second-line therapy in HIV patients failing first-line antiretroviral regimen in Africa. This was a multicentre, multi-country study in Kenya, Malawi, Uganda, Zimbabwe and Zambia. Trial Number ISRCTN: 37737787.

Teaching Responsibilities

Regularly invited as a speaker at the Paediatric European Network for Treatment of AIDS (PENTA) courses on Paediatric HIV/AIDS (Tr@inforpedHIV) in Africa, the Caribbean, Asia and Europe.
<http://penta-id.org/training/trinforpedhiv/penta-faculty/>

Major Scientific Achievements

- One of the leading experts in implementation research of HIV/AIDS treatment programs targeted at scaling up Antiretroviral therapy in lower level rural health facilities in Africa.
- Experience in successfully conducting randomized controlled clinical trials in Africa that have shaped treatment guidelines for HIV/AIDS.
- Skilled facilitator of interdisciplinary and international research teams.