



The Way Forward: GloPID-R

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GloPID-R objectives

- Bring together **research funders** and coordinate their response to epidemics
- Facilitate **exchange of information**
- Address scientific, legal, ethical and financial **challenges**
- Establish a **readiness plan** and **strategic agenda** for research
- Connect infectious disease **research networks**
- Actively involve **LMICs**
- **Effective research response within 48 hours of an outbreak**

- **NOT a new funding organisation (members fund through their own mechanisms)**
- **NO direct role in public health decision making**

Key dates (1/2)

2013

- The Heads of International Research Organisations (HIRO) suggest **an initiative to facilitate international collaboration between funders** during epidemics
- European Commission and international funders launch the “Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness” (GloPID-R) initiative
- October: **First GloPID-R meeting in Annecy**

2014

- October: **Second GloPID-R meeting in Montreal**
 - 10 founding members agree on a charter outlining GloPID-R’s goals and governance

Key dates (2/2)

2015

- January: **GloPID-R secretariat is established** (funded by the EU Horizon 2020 programme) consortium of Fondation Mérieux (for AVIESAN) and University of Oxford (for ISARIC)
- May: **Third GloPID-R meeting in Cape Town**
 - Argentina, Germany, and Mexico new members
 - Japan joined later in May
- September: **GloPID-R meeting by video-/audioconference**

GloPID-R members



Canadian Institutes of Health and Research (CIHR) – **Canada**



Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología Mexico – **Mexico**



European Commission- DG Research & Innovation – **European Union**



Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)/PT-DLR – **Germany**



INSERM/IMMI - Institut de microbiologie et des maladies infectieuses – **France**



Instituto Butantan and Instituto Fiocruz – **Brazil**



Instituto de Salud Carlos III – **Spain**



Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development – **Japan**



Ministry of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation – **Argentina**



National Health and Medical Research Council – **Australia**



National Research Foundation of Korea – **South Korea**



South African Medical Research Council – **South Africa**



Thai National Institute of Health, Department of Medical Sciences – **Thailand**



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – **USA**

Observer Status: **World Health Organization**

GloPID-R organisation

ASSEMBLY

CHAIRS & VICE CHAIRS

European Commission, Brazil, Canada, France, South Africa

SCIENTIFIC
ADVISORY
BOARD

SECRETARIAT

Fondation Mérieux – University of Oxford

Organisational, financial,
administrative and
secretarial support

Connecting & mapping
Strategy development

Develop and implement
communication strategy and action
plan

GloPID-R ongoing activities

- ✓ **Preparedness plan for funders in GloPID-R in case of an outbreak:** communication structure, timelines, procedures, criteria for actions – **to be finalised/approved soon**
- ✓ **Scientific Advisory Board (SAB)** established
- ✓ **Work on barriers:** surveys to map research networks and capabilities and to identify the political, ethical, regulatory, legal and societal barriers (PERLES barriers), – **interim results released to GloPID-R members, publication in early 2016**
- ✓ **Data sharing:** **currently gathering evidence of practices of different funding organisations**



Canada Ebola Research Activities: Phase I Clinical Trial

- **rVSV-EBOV- Δ GP (VSV-EBOV) vaccine**
- **Canadian Immunization Research Network (CIRN) Halifax site**
 - **Rapid Response mechanism**
- **40 healthy adult volunteers, aged 18-65**



Ebola Vaccine - Phase III Clinical Trial

- **Canadian partnership of CIHR, PHAC, IDRC and DFATD**
- **International consortium led by the Norwegian Institute of Public Health (NIPH), the World Health Organization (WHO), and Médecins sans Frontières (MSF) conducting trial of VSV-EBOV in Guinea**
- **2 protocols: ring vaccination and frontline healthcare workers**
- **Canadian involvement**
 - **Scientific Advisory Group**
 - **Data and Safety Monitoring Board**
 - **Support of capacity development**

CIHR Innovative Ebola Research

- **4 priority research areas**
 - Ebola biology
 - Ebola treatment
 - Transmission, spread, containment and prevention of Ebola
 - Health system impacts of Ebola outbreak
- **Alignment with EDCTP/TDR call and joint workshop**