

External Validation of CD4 and Viral Load Assays

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AGENDA

June 28, 2007

20:00	Dinner at A La Biche au Bois , 45, Avenue Ledru-Rollin (Tel: 01 43 43 34 38)	Meet in hotel lobby at 19:30 for travel via Métro or travel there on your own. Métro stop: Gare de Lyon, two quick stops from Sofitel Paris Bercy Hotel
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June 29, 2007

7:30 - 8:30	Breakfast at Café Ké	
Meeting Room: Salon Saumur Champigny		
8:30 - 8:45	Welcome and Introductions	Ben Cheng
8:45 - 9:00	Goals of the Meeting	Alan Landay
9:00 - 9:20	WHO External Validation Process for STD assays	Rosanna Peeling
9:20 - 9:40	How can Blood Stabilizers be Used for Validation of New Instruments	David Barnett
9:40 - 10:00	External Validation Process for CD4 and Viral Load Assays in South Africa	Wendy Stevens
10:00 - 10:30	Approaches to Validating New CD4 and Viral Load Technologies	Rebecca Gelman
10:30 - 10:45	Break	
10:45 - 11:15	Validation Process in Cote d'Ivoire and Zambia	Tom Spira
11:15 - 13:15	Discussion on CD4 Assays	Alan Landay
13:15 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 16:00	Discussion on Viral Load Assays	Susan Fiscus
16:00 - 16:30	Moving forward/Next steps	Ben Cheng
20:00	Dinner at Le Train Bleu , upstairs at Le Gare de Lyon (Tel: 01 44 75 76 76)	Meet in hotel lobby at 19:30 for travel via Métro or travel there on your own. Métro stop: Gare de Lyon, two quick stops from Sofitel Paris Bercy Hotel

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Our mission is to facilitate and enhance HIV research.

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Transfer of Monitoring Technologies into Resource-Limited Settings

- November 11-13, 2001 Workshop organized by GMHC and Project Inform reviewed different low-cost monitoring technologies that can be used in the resource-limited setting
- The organizers asked the Forum for Collaborative HIV Research to spearhead the next phase: clinical validation of the technologies and transfer of the technology into the resource-limited setting

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Transfer of CD4 and Viral Load Technologies into the Resource-Limited Setting Project

- CD4 Working Group (co-chair Alan Landay)
- Viral Load Working Group (co-chair Susan Fiscus)
- Pediatric Diagnosis and Monitoring (co-chairs Mary-Glenn Fowler and Tom Denny)

The Goal of the Working Groups

To improve patient treatment outcomes, improve antiretroviral therapy program effectiveness and public health outcomes by facilitating the more rapid development, adoption and implementation of HIV treatment monitoring technologies appropriate for the resource-limited setting

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How the Working Groups Function

- Members are from academia, diagnostic industry, advocacy community, government agencies, foundations and funders
- Identify and integrate products, companies and/or groups developing appropriate monitoring technologies into the working groups and into the process for clinical validation
- Conference calls, email exchanges, publications, conference activities and face to face meetings as needed

How the Working Groups Function (2)

- Meetings with companies as needed
- The Working Groups share knowledge, information strategies and reagents among each other - rapid exchange of information including new unpublished study results
- Plans for future study
- Information for better assay performance
- All findings and presentations are available on the Forum's website www.hivforum.org

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