



INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Diseases of poverty are a group of infectious and parasitic diseases that affect the lives of hundreds of millions of people, causing sickness, disability and death. Moreover, the emergence of new infectious diseases and the re-emergence of “old” ones having the potential to cause global epidemics together represent a significant and growing threat to people worldwide. Hardest hit by these diseases are the planet’s poorest people living in low and middle income countries, in particular children under the age of five. Worldwide, infectious diseases were collectively responsible for the death of more than 15 million people in 2016.

DISEASES OF POVERTY

A diverse group of infectious diseases caused by a variety of viruses, bacteria, protozoan and other parasites. They include malaria, tuberculosis, leishmaniasis, and schistosomiasis, and are predominantly widespread in low-income populations in regions of Africa, Asia and Latin America.

EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Emerging diseases include Ebola, Zika and Nipah. In addition, many more unknown pathogens are likely to exist with the potential to cause global disease outbreaks and epidemics.

VACCINES

Vaccination is one of the most efficient and cost-effective measures for the prevention of illness and death from infectious diseases. The World Health Organisation estimates that between 2010 and 2015 more than 10 million deaths were prevented globally thanks to vaccination. However, although the need for effective, safe, and affordable vaccines for low income countries is steadily growing, very few effective vaccines exist for diseases of poverty and emerging infectious diseases.



Formidable scientific and technical challenges surround the development of these vaccines, making their development a time-consuming and complex process. In addition, industry has no incentive to develop vaccines for diseases affecting populations with limited purchasing power. **Only by finding innovative ways to finance and manage the development of vaccines will humanity overcome this situation.**

THE WAY FORWARD

Help us to reach this goal and be part of our wide network of partners!





THE EUROPEAN VACCINE INITIATIVE

The European Vaccine Initiative (EVI) is a non-profit organisation that supports the development of effective, accessible, and affordable vaccines for diseases of poverty and emerging infectious diseases.

EVI is addressing shortcomings in the development of vaccines for global health through continuous collaborations and exchanges with academia, pharmaceutical and biotech companies, policy makers and funders, and other stakeholders. Through these collaborations EVI is building a vaccine portfolio that addresses critical challenges and opportunities, and is promoting innovative solutions in vaccine research and development (R&D). EVI openly provides its expertise and supports groups working in vaccine R&D, helping them to advance and accelerate their vaccine candidates.



Dr. María del Mar Castro
Researcher at Centro Internacional de Entrenamiento e Investigaciones Médicas, Cali, Colombia

« Training at EVI was an amazing experience. The training program was centered on my institution's research needs and those of vulnerable Colombians. The experience and role of EVI in vaccine development was a great platform to gain skills that benefitted research at my institution in Colombia. »



Dr. Sodiomon Bienvenu Sirima
Researcher at Groupe de Recherche Action en Santé, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

« Due to its existing expertise, EVI is perfectly placed to support the development of badly needed life-saving vaccines. »

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NEEDS THAT BEG FOR A RESPONSE

Since its inception in 1998, EVI has raised more than EUR 180 million, funds that were used to support the development of more than thirty vaccine candidates. Nearly twenty of these progressed into early clinical development and three have moved forward into mid-stage clinical testing.

You can contribute to changing the course of infectious diseases affecting low-income populations by supporting the development of new vaccines for global health. If you would like to find out about our various scientific partnership opportunities then please contact us at: communication@euvaccine.eu, or learn how you can support EVI or make a donation by visiting:

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