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PROGRAMME

THE 9TH EAST AFRICAN HEALTH & SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

KIGALI CONVENTION CENTRE

KIGALI, RWANDA

27TH - 29TH SEPTEMBER 2023

	Wednesday, 27 th September 2023					
Time	Event					
07:00-08:00	Registration: KCC	Exhibition and Trade Fair set-up for the day				
08:00-08:45	Networking session					
08:45-13:00	Opening Ceremony:					
	Venue: KCC Main Hall					
	Master of Ceremony: F	iona Muthoni Naringwa				
08:45-09:00	Arrival of the Guest of H	onor, Minister of Health, Republicof Rwanda.				
	Presentation of the Ope	ning Ceremony Programme				
09:00-09:05	Rwanda National Anthe	Rwanda National Anthem				
09:05-09:10	EAC Anthem					
09:10-09:20	Welcome Remarks by the Chair of the Conference, Director General of Rwanda					
	Biomedical Center, Re	public of Rwanda.				
09:20-09:30	Welcome Remarks by the	ne Executive Secretary of the EAHRC				
09:30-09:40	Welcome Remarks by the Deputy Secretary General of EAC					
09:40-09:45	Remarks by the Permanent Secretary in charge of EAC Affairs, Burundi					
09:45-09:50	Remarks by the Principal Secretary of MEACA, Kenya					
09:50-09:55	Remarks by the Under Secretary in the Ministry of Health, South Sudan					
09:55-10:00	Remarks by the Hon Mir	nister of State in Charge of EAC Affairs, Uganda				
10:00-10:10	Keynote speech by the	Guest of Honor to officially open the 9th EAHSC				

10:10-10:15 Group photos

10:15-10:45	Health Break & press interviews
10:45-11:15	Plenary Session1: Challenges and strategies to Preparedness and Response to Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases: Lessons Learnt from the COVID-19 Pandemic
	Session Chair: Dr Brenda Kateera, Country Director of Clinton Health Access Initiative, Rwanda.
	Main Keynote Speech by Prof Matilu Mwau, Kenya Medical Research Institute, Kenya

	Rapporteur and Timekeeper: Dr. Cecilia Mbae, Kenya Medical Research Institute, Kenya
11:15- 11:25	Q & A

11:25-11:40	Tour to the Exhibition and Trade Fair booths
12:00-13:00	Lunch

13:00 – 13:30	Plenary Session COVID-19 pander		ial, economic, and	l political impacts	s caused by		
	keynote speech 1	l: Prof Kenneth Lac	lo, University of Jub	a			
	Chairperson: Dr Isaac Kadowa, Ministry of Health, Uganda						
	Rapporteur & Tin Sciences, Tanzani		en Mloka, Muhimbili	University of Heal	lth and Allied		
	Venue: Main Hall						
13:30-13:40	Q &A						
13:50-14:20	Plenary Session	3: Innovative App	roaches and Interv	ventions to Stren	gthen Health		
	Systems, Leade Non-Communic	-	ance for Managem	ent of Communic	able and		
	Chairperson: Dr I	Evance Amukoye, h	Kenya Medical Rese	earch Institute, Ker	nya		
	Keynote speech	2: Prof. Léodegal B	Bazira, University of	Burundi, Burundi			
	Rapporteur & Tin	ne keeper: Dr Tom	Lutalo, Uganda Vire	us Research Institu	ute, Uganda		
	Venue: Main Ha	II					
14:20-14:30	Q &A						
14:30-16:30	Parallel sessions	1: Abstract drive	n oral presentatio	าร			
	Hall: AD10	Hall: AD11	Hall: AD12	Hall: Mezzanine	Hall: Studio2:		
	Session chair:	Session chair:	Session chair:		Session chair:		
	Dr Ramadhan	Dr Kenneth	Dr Michael	Session chair:	Prof Juma		
	Nyandwi	Lado	Kiremeje	Mr Sebina Edward	Shabaan		
	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Mr Prince Mutalemwa	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Ms Edith Akankwasa	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Dr Denis Magu	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Dr Edouard	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Ms Clare Mutabazi		
	Support	Support:	Support: Gaetan&Denise	Niyongabo	Support:		
	Support: Sonia&Gladis	Arlette&Doreen	Cacianaponise	Support:	Larissa&JMarie		
		,	NCDs (1)	Joel&Kelly			
	COVID-19 &	Malaria (1)			MCH & SRH,		
	Other Viral			AMR (1)	NCDs (1)		
	Diseases (1) Challenges and	Improved Malaria	Content Uniformity	Monitoring The	Uptake of Human		
	Strategies to	Diagnostics Towards	and Invitro	Battleground:	Papilloma Virus		
	Preparedness and Response to	achieving Universal Health Coverage	Dissolution of Amlodipine Half	Exploring Antimicrobial	Vaccine during COVID 19 pandemic		
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Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases: Lessons Learnt from the COVID-19 Pandemic – The Case of Rwanda. Jean Paul Hategekimana	Determination of the efficacy of NovaplexTM malaria assay in detection and differentiation of the different Plasmodium parasites. Maureen Osano	tablets in the Kenyan pharmaceutical market, conducted at Kabarak University, Kenya. Rene Brown Oluoch Amadi	Resistance, Antibiofilm Trends, And Virulence Factors In Wound Bacterial Isolates. Silas O. Awour	among 10 year old girls in Baringo County. Joyce Wambere Wachira
COVID19 Vaccine Uptake and Associated Factors in Tanzania. Kijakazi Mashoto	Synergism in Antiplasmodial activities of Artemether and Lumefantrine in Combinations with Extracts of Securidaca longipedunculata Fresen (Polygalaceae). Douglas Ongeri Ochora	Prevalence of gestational diabetes mellitus and associated risk factors among women attending antenatal care in health facilities in Zanzibar. Ali Shehe Hamad	A Review Of The Important Weapons Against Antimicrobial Resistance In Sub- Saharan Africa. Noel Gahamanyi	Detection of pathogens associated with acute febrile illness among children of under -five years of age from health facilities in agropastoral rural manyara, northeastern Tanzania. Athanasia Maro
Post-acute Sequelae of COVID-19 Case Fatality Rate and its Associated Covariates: A Systematic Review, Meta- Analysis and Meta- Regression. Muthuka J. Kyalo	Determinants of consistent use of Long Lasting insecticidal treated mosquito bednets in Karongi District 2022. Twagirimana Gabriel	Online Sickle Cell Disease learning and Awareness. Prosper Katugume	Multidrug Resistant Bacterial Infections In Severely III COVID-19 Patients Admitted In A National Referral And Teaching Hospital, Kenya. Jeniffer Munyiva Mutua	The impact of COVID- 19 pandemic on reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health care services: A case of Kiambu County, Kenya. Davis Kiruki Kamondo
Bridging Gaps, Ending HIV by 2030: Leveraging mHealth for Self- Management, Stigma Reduction and Equitable Access in Nigeria. Benjamin Ilesanmi	Rapid Assessment of the Expansion of Artemisinin-Resistant Plasmodium falciparum kelch13 R561H and First Report of G449A in Rwanda using Pooled. Pierre Gashema	Prevalence of iron deficiency and associated factors among blood donors at National Centre for Blood Transfusion in Kigali, Rwanda. Peter K. Kayonde	Celebrating The World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (Waaw 2022) In Rwanda. Leandre Ishema	Placental Malaria infections dynamic risk factors in antenatal visitors in Kator primary health Center in South Sudan. Bill Gueth Kueil
HR-HPV E6/E7 mRNA test for the detection of high-grade cervical lesions among women with gynecology complaints in northwest Ethiopia. Awoke Derbie	Evidence of <i>P. vivax</i> in Northern Kenya, an emerging malaria control threat; An incidence report from the outcome of the mid-2023 epidemic response. Francis Kimani	Risk factors associated with anemia among school-age pupils aged 5-19 years in Tanzania; A Case Study of Pwani, Geita and Arusha regions. Oliva Joseph Kimaro	Assessment Of Knowledge And Attitudes Towards Antibiotic Resistance Among People Residing In Namuwongo, Makindye East Division Kampala, Uganda, A Qualitative And Descriptive Cross-Sectional Study. Safari Daniel	Uptake of Malaria vaccine and risk of infection among children in Western Kenya, February 2023. Irine Adhiambo Okanda
Strengthening HIV Test Kit Inventory Management at an HIV Testing Laboratory, Kampala, 2023. Priscilla Atim	Adherence to Anti- Malarial Among Patients Diagnosed with Malaria in East Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta- Analysis. Jackline Nkoma	The incidence of solid cancers in Burundi for 2021. Astere Manirakiza	Risk Factors For Colonization With Multidrug-Resistant Bacteria In Urban And Rural Communities In Kenya: An Antimicrobial Resistance In	A survey of Attitudes Relative to Engagement in Cervical Cancer Screening and Prevention Practices in Uganda. Nantayi Martha

selected O sub-lineages infected an vaccinated individuals in	magainst malaria for patients residing in low-probability malaria areas: A case report and critiques of the literature for	Factors influencing postoperative digestive fistulas at Kamenge Teaching Hospital (KTH). Jean Claude Mbonicura	Communities And Hospitals (Arch) Study. Charchil Ayodo Antimicrobial Resistance And Rational Prescription Practices: Knowledge, Perceptions And	The lived experiences and caring needs of women diagnosed with cervical cancer: A qualitative study in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Emmanuel
salaam Tal Lilian Nkinda	nzania. cerebral. Janvier Nzayikorera		Competence Of Medical Interns In Uganda. Shamim Nabidda	Z. Chona
Rwanda. Musabyeyez u	Anopheline Mosquitoes in Isiolo County, northeastern, Kenya. Stanley Kitur	Hospital preparedness to Handle Motorcycle Accidents in Busia County, Kenya. An Exploratory Qualitative study. Olipher Makwaga	The burden of antimicrobial resistance and factors that contribute to irrational antimicrobial use in children: One year post National Action Plan Implementation in Tanzania. Upendo Kibwana	The Diagnostic Accuracy of Diabetes Retinopathy Screening by Ophthalmic Clinical Officers, Ophthalmic Nurses and County Ophthalmologists against a Retina Specialist in 2 Selected County Referral Hospitals, Kenya. Jane Rahedi Ong'ang'o
Patients Re Highly Active Retroviral The Nairobi,	and pfdhps mutations in Plasmodium falciparum rapy In Kenya. Inkaso Inka	Insulin resistance and beta-cell dysfunction in adults with different patterns of diet: a cross-sectional study in north-western Tanzania. Evangelista Kenan Malindisa	Genomic Insights into Multidrug Resistance Enterobacter cloacae and Escherichia coli through Nanopore Sequencing of Clinical Isolates from Benjamin Mkapa Hospital, Tanzania. Mariana Shayo	Enhancing digital mental health research through user centered design. Linda Khakali
Experiences Implementing Depression Screening Vi Patient Questionnaire- Adults attendii Care and Tre Services a Tertiary. Kway	Health 9 for attrition and fabric integrity over 12 months of net use in	Retrograde intramedullary nailing in management of femur fractures in 2 tertiary care hospital at Bujumbura, Burundi. Jean Claude Niyondiko	Bacterial Profile and Antibiotic Susceptibility Patterns of Bacteremia in Hospitalized patients at University Teaching Hospital of Kigali. Celestin Musabyumuremyi	Assessment of knowledge on selected non-communicable diseases among health care workers from Kondoa District Hospital, Tanzania: Pre-Post Analysis. Kajiru Kilonzo
	Impact of Titanium mining and other anthropogenic activities on malaria transmission in Kwale County, Kenya. Edward Githinji	Cancer Control Through Surveillance: Harmonised Cancer Registration Guidelines For East Africa. Nakaganda	Bacteriophages for the treatment and bio control of multidrug resistant Acinetobacter baumannii. Felix Mwai	Effectiveness of community-based triple assessment for Early Detection in Breast Cancer Screening Outreach Program in Uganda. Judith Asasira
	Malaria prevalence, transmission potential and		Juxtaposition of antimicrobial resistance rate	Antihypertensive effect of a standardized aqueous

		treatment efficacy in the Central Kenya highlands - a zone previously categorized as malaria free. Francis Kimani		variations across distinct antibiotic classes throughout prominent tertiary hospitals in Rwanda: A need for updated treatment guidelines. Iradukunda Jean De Dieu	extract of Hibiscus Sabdariffa (Zobo)and HyphaeneThebaica (Goriba) in Cats: An in vivo approach to hypotensive mechanismAn innovative approaches and interventions in manufacturing of medicines in the new era of non communicable diseases, Hypertension in focus. Adamu Dalhatu
		Evaluation of malaria outbreak detection methods, Uganda, 2022. Marie Gorreti Zalwango		Characterisation Of Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus Isolated From Urine Samples Of Patients Attending Adewole Cottage Hospital Ilorin, Nigeria. Muritala Issa Bale	
		Trends and Distribution of Severe Malaria Cases, Uganda, 2017-2021: A Descriptive Analysis of the Health Management Information System Data. Marie Gorreti Zalwango		Genomics Insights into Antibiotic Resistance and Virulence: Landscape of Quinolone Resistant and ESBL Producing Klebsiella pneumoniae in Tanzanian Referral Hospitals. Boaz Wadugu	
				Antimicrobial susceptibility testing of Klebsiella pneumoniae and Salmonella typhi associated with bloodstream infections analyzed by the Rwanda National. Gahamanyi Noel	
16:30-16:40	Q & A	Q & A	Q & A	Q & A	Q & A
16:40-17:00	Health break				
	End of Day 1				
		Thursday 28t	h September 2023		
09:00-09:30	Plenary Session COVID-19 Pander	4: Traditional and	Herbal Medicines	use, practices an	d beliefs during
	Chairperson: Dr I	Mohammed Dahom	a, Ministry of Health	n, Zanzibar, Tanza	nia

		ne keeper: Dr Lina	anga, Rwanda Food Sara Mathew, Bahi	· ·	•
09:30-09:40	Q & A				
09:40-10:40	Parallel session 2	2: Abstract driven o	oral presentations		
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	Session chair: Dr Msafiri Ladislaus	Session chair: Prof Peter Olupot Olupot	Session chair: Eng Ring Dut	Session chair: Ms Dora	Session chair: Prof Eligius Lyamuya
	Marijan Rapporteur & Time keeper: Dr Ella Ndoricyimpaye	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Hirwa Celine	Rapporteur & Time keeper:Dr Tolbert Sonda	Rapporteur & Time keeper: Dr Olipher Makwaga	Rapporteur & Time keeper :Dr Noel Gahamanyi
	COVID-19 & Other Viral Diseases (2)	Bacterial Infections (1)	MNBCH &SRH (1)	Neglected Tropical Diseases (1)	COVID-19 & Other Viral Diseases (3)
	The Prevalence Of COVID-19 Vaccine Side Effects And Their Management Among Vaccinated Healthcare Professional Students In Uganda. Linda Atulinda	Trends in Case Detection Rate for Leprosy and Factors Associated with Disability among Registered Patients in Zanzibar, 2018 to 2021. Ali Habib Said	Facilitators for and Barriers to the Implementation of Perfor-mance Accountability Mechanisms for Quality Improvement in the delivery of Maternal Health Services in a District Hospital in Pwani Region, Tanzania. Francis August	Case Reports and Literature Review on Visceral Leishmaniasis in South Sudan and Sudan: Evaluation of Diagnostic Methods, Therapeutic Protocols, and Related Risk Factors. Amanya Jacob Kasio Iboyi	Effectiveness of Peerled HIV Self-testing on HIV Testing Uptake among Male Fisherfolk: Early Results from the PEST4MEN Intervention in Uganda. Joseph KB Matovu
	Strategies To Enhance COVID-19 Pandemic Preparedness And Response To Communicable And Non-Communicable Diseases In Gulu City, Northern Uganda. Anguyo Milton	Predictors and frequency of STIs among PrEP using men who have sex with men in Kiambu County, Kenya. Caleb Momanyi Ombati	Monitoring of delays to Maternal and Neonatal Emergency care in remote Island, Kenya. Evance Ogola	Taking stock of various research studies on potential leishmaniasis vaccine in KEMRI. Osero O. Bernard	Experiences implementing depression screening via the Patient Health Questionnaire-9 for Adults attending HIV Care and Treatment Services at a Tertiary. Amani Kway
	Hiv/Aids Deaths Surveillance Analysis Among Hiv Infected People Under Art In Gisenyi District Hospital, Rwanda, January 2013 To	In vitro Antimycobacterial Activity of Medicinal Plants Lantana camara, Cryptolepis sanguinolenta, and Zanthoxylum	Factors Associated with Recent Intimate Partner Violence in Kibra Slums: A Cross Sectional Study	Transmission sites for Schistosoma haematobium and Schistosoma bovis identified in localities within the Athi River basin of	SARS-CoV-2 exposure in a TB and TB/HIV co-infected cohort through antibody assessment in Kenya between

December 2022. Innocent Ntirushwamaboko	Leprieurii. Naasson Tuyiringire	2023. Stephen Ombija	Kenya using a PCR-RFLP assay. Agola Lelo Eric	2019 and 2023. Asiko Ongaya
Epidemiology Of Early Cases Reported In A Rift Valley Fever Outbreak In Mbarara District, Western Uganda, January – March, 2023. Zainah Kabami	Improving TB case identification through community door-to-door TB screening in Teso Region, North Eastern Uganda. Ssentongo Saadick	Effects of health education on cervical cancer screening uptake among women attending Edward Francis Small Teaching Hospital (EFSTH), The Gambia. Tomilayo Felicity Omotosho	Assessment of Households infected by tungiasis to understand the linkage, Case study of Makuchi sublocation, Hamisi Sub-county, Vihiga County Kenya.	Prevalence and perceptions of voluntary male medical circumcision among university students: a cross sectional assessment at the University of Juba, South. Kon Paul Alier
Impact Of COVID-19 On Tuberculosis Healthcare Services Delivery And Uptake In Tanzania. Wiston William	Factors Influencing Participation of Adults in Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision in Lindi Region Tanzania. Sadock Peter Mathias	Utilisation of family planning services and associated barriers among women of childbearing age with hearing impairment, in two Eastern Districts of Rwanda. Juvenal Uwayisenga	Community preferred drug delivery approaches for roll- out of a potential novel paediatric schistosomiasis treatment option in two endemic counties of Kenya; A mixed methods study. Janet Masaku	Mapping of medicinal resources with potential to mitigate COVID-19 and other SARS-like ailments in the K1-7 flora regions of Kenya: Field Experience. Barbara Miheso
Psychological Experiences Of Health Care Frontliners (Hcfs) Dealing With COVID- 19 Patients At Sir Ketumile Masire Teaching Hospital. Lorato Ramma	Antimicrobial and antibiofilm activities of selected essential oils and phytochemicals against C. jejuni strains. Noel Gahamanyi	Stakeholder's perspectives of a self-injectable contraception method; views from two counties in Kenya. Sarah Okumu	Presence of an invasive exotic freshwater snail, Pomacea canaliculata (Gastropoda: Ampullaridae) in Mwea Irrigation Scheme, Kenya: Potential implication. Martin Mutuku	Tracking SARS-CoV- 2 Transmission And Co-Infection With Other Acute Respiratory Pathogens Using A Sentinel Surveillance System In Rift. Vincent K Ruttoh
Social Stigma And Anxiety Disorders And Their Related Risk Factors Among COVID-19 Survivors In Kigali City, Rwanda. Solange Nikwigize	Tuberculosis diagnosis using African giant pouched rats among culture positives: does bacillary load matters? Joseph Soka	Impact of community strategy package on uptake of reproductive tract infections health services among young street females in the municipality of Eldoret, Kenya.	Infection rate, Abundance and distribution of Vectors of Wuchereria bancrofti in Matayos, Busia County-Kenya, within the context of climate change. Nancy Klnyatta	Knowledge mismatch, behavior, awareness and information needs of HIV/AIDS: Perspectives of school going adolescents in Kenyan schools. Dama Olungae
Effects Of School Closure During Early COVID 19 Pandemic In An Informal Settlement In Nairobi, Kenya: Experiences And Key Lessons To Inform Future Responses. Echoka Elizabeth	High diversity of Salmonella enterica from children with diarrhea, food, and environmental sources in Kilimanjaro - Tanzania: One health approach.	Predictors of adolescent pregnancy among girls aged 13-19 years in Karongi District: unmatched case-control study, 2021. Niyomugabo Jean Paul	Awareness and Perceptions of and Treatment Practices for scabies infestation among Communities of Kwale County, Kenya. Mariam Macharia	Al and COVID-19 Testing: Advancing Healthcare Decision- Making. Ceaser Wisdom Favor

	An Assessment Of Knowledge, Attitudes, Perceptions And Practices About COVID-19 Among The Kenyan Population. James Kariuki Ngumo	Hugho Hospital acquired infections of some multi drug organisms at a large referral hospital in eastern Uganda. Timothy Aloyce Aloyce Aloyce Aloyce Aloyce Aloyce Aloyce Box 192 Aloyce Aloyce Aloyce Box 192 Aloyce Aloyce Box 192 Aloyce Aloyce Hospital acquired infections of some multi drug organisms at a large referral hospital in eastern Uganda. Otaala	Evaluating the quality of Health Care Workers' communication and relationship-building skills to strengthen maternal engagement in health decisions. Angele Bienvenue Ishimwe	Schistosomiasis and Pregnancy: Alterations in susceptibility and immune responses in murine Schistosoma mansoni. Rael Musili	COVID-19 outbreak among refugees at Nyakabande Transit Centre, Kisoro District, Uganda, June–July 2022. Peter Chris Kawungezi
		First evidence of louse borne relapsing fever in northern Kenya: a retrospective study. John Njeru	Utilization Of Cervical Cancer Screening Services Among Women Aged 30-49 Years In Kitui County, Kenya. Jane Hannah Mumbi Mbaluka	Phylogenetic diversity of fungi isolated from indoor urban environments in Nairobi Kenya. Olga Mashedi	Predictors of non-HIV testing among sexual active individuals aged 15-56 years in Rwanda. Hosee Niyompano
10:40-10:50	Q & A	Q & A	Q & A	Q & A	Q & A

10:50-11:05 | Health break

11:05-11:45 All e-Poster Presentations Sessions: Foyer 1A

Screen #1: COVID-19 & Viral Infections

Chair: Prof Juma Shabaan

Rapporteur: Jehovanis Manirakomeye

- 1.Evidence of dengue viral markers among blood donors in two selected blood centres in Kenya: a prospective serological study. **Festus Mulakoli**
- 2. Clinical and computed tomography features of COVID-19 pneumopathy at Kira hospital in Bujumbura. **Sebastien Manirakiza**
- 3. Probable Causes of Death Among People Living with HIV: A Verbal Autopsy Examination of Deaths Occurring Outside Health Facilities in Tanzania. **Rafael Shayo**
- 4.HIV viral load suppression levels among HIV clients seeking comprehensive care services in Makueni, Kenya. A case study. **Geoffrey Mutisya Maitha**
- 5. Evaluation of Acute Flaccid Paralysis Surveillance System in Kiziguro Hospital Catchment Area-Rwanda 2017-2022. **Emmanuel Uwambajmana**
- 6. Advancing Public Health: A Successful Endeavor in Increasing COVID-19, Measles and HPV vaccination uptake through integration approach in Njombe Region. **Catherine Bunga**

Screen #2: Malaria/ Gladys Chair: Dr Eduardo Niyongabo

Rapporteur: Jean Nepomuscene Uwurukundo

- 7. Assessment of the Effect of Malaria Social Behavior Change and Communication on the Uptake of the Intermittent Preventive Treatment (IPTp-SP 3) Among Pregnant. **Mercy Nanjala Wafula**
- 8. Integrated Analysis of Cytokine Profiles in Malaria Patients Discloses Selective Upregulation of TGF-β1, β3, and IL-9 in Mild Clinical Presentation. **Ndoricyimpaye Ella Larissa**
- 9. Monitoring of Insecticide Resistance Against New Insecticides; Towards Preventing Resistance and Sustaining the Gains in Malaria Control. **Salum Azizi**
- 10.Implementation Research for Malaria Prevention and Control: Barriers and Lessons Learnt in Capacity Building of Community Health Workers in Malindi Kenya. **Lydiah Kibe**
- 11. Factors associated with severe malaria in Kigeme District Hospital catchment area, Nyamagabe District between July 2021 and June 2022: A case control study. **Gaspard Bizimungu**

Screen #3: Non-Communicable Diseases

Chair: Dr Achilles Katamba **Rapporteur**: Impano Keza Divine

- 12.Utilization of adequately iodized salt and its associated factors in Tanzania rural areas: A case of Kilwa district, Lindi Region, 2023. **David Anselm Mahwera**
- 13. Prevalence and determinants of cisplatin-induced nephrotoxicity among cancer patients at Nakuru level V Hospital. **Derrick Bundi**
- 14. The Health Kiosks in Markets (HEKIMA); Strengthening the primary care system for prevention and control of cardiovascular disease in Vihiga County, Kenya. **Boaz Omulando**
- 15. Ultrasound-histological correlation of breast tumours in women in Bujumbura. **Astere Manirakiza**
- 16. Patient characteristics and treatment outcome among hypertensive patients in Kenya 2023- cross-sectional study. **Yusuf Mahat**

Screen #4: Antimicrobial Resistance

Chair: Dr Dennis Magu

Rapporteur: Chris Victor Ntwali

- 17. Water and Foodborne Bacterial Pathogens Isolated From Hospitalized Children are Extensively Resistance Against Commonly Used Penicillin-Type Antibiotics in Developing Countries. **Silas O. Awour**
- 18. Whole Genome Sequence-based Characterization and determination of quinolone resistance among Methicillin-resistant and Methicillin-susceptible S. aureus isolates from Inpatients and Outpatients Attended Regional Referral Hospitals in Tanzania. **Masoud Abdulla Juma**
- 19. Prevalence and antimicrobial susceptibility profiles of Staphylococcus aureus from milk in Kigali City. **Dieudonné Byiringiro**
- 20. Gossypol and its L-Ascorbyl Palmitate coagel susceptibility of Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus and *Staphylococcus epidermidis* in vitro. **Olivier Clemen**t

21. Multidrug-resistant Escherichia coli and Klebsiella pneumoniae isolated from hospital sewage flowing through the community sewage system and discharging into the Indian Ocean. **Anthon Mwingwa**

Screen #5: Maternal Child and Reproductive Health

Chair: Dr Cecilia Mbae

Rapporteur: Dr Jean Niyonsenga

- 22. Assessment of Gulu University Medical Students' Knowledge on Post-Abortion Care Provision at Gulu Regional Referral Hospital. **Nansubuga Federes**
- 23. Improving Maternal and Child Health Outcomes through Targeted Interventions to Enhance Early Antenatal Care Seeking and First Visit HIV Testing: Kwimba District in Mwanza Region, Tanzania. (Programmatic Learning). **Bernadetha Kandumula Pastory**
- 24. The effects of project interventions on community programming, nutrition, and health outcomes among women and children under 5 years of age in rural Uganda. **Agaba Edgar**
- 25. Fatal cranioencephalic trauma in the national hospitals of Bujumbura: epidemiological, clinical and CT aspects. **Sebastien Manirakiza**

Screen #6: Neglected Tropical Diseases

Chair: Dr Simeon Tuyishime **Rapporteur**: Habiyambere Enode

- 26. Mapping the spread of *Procambarus clarkii* and their subtle effect on schistosomiasis transmitting snails within Mwea irrigation scheme, Kenya. **Geoffrey Maina**
- 27. Epidemiology of soil transmitted helminthiasis infection among school aged children in pastoralist communities of Narok County, Kenya: A cross-sectional study. **Richelle W. Kihoro**
- 28. Schistosomacidal Activity of Lannea Schimperi and Searsia Longipes against Cercariae, Schistosomula and Adult Stage of *Schistosoma mansoni*. **Nicolaus Mbugi**
- 29. Intestinal parasitic infections and risk factors for infection in Kenyan children with and without HIV infection. **Elizabeth Matey**
- 30. River Blindness in Africa: A call for action. Aymar Akilimali
- 31. Intestinal Parasite Infections and Associated Risk Factors among Pre-School Aged Children in Kibera Informal Settlement, Nairobi, Kenya. **Daniel Njenga**

Screen #7: Non-Communicable Diseases

Chair: Dr Mugisha Hakim

Rapporteur: Isingizwe Stella Matutina

- 32. Cancer Patterns in Arua District, Uganda. Angucia Bridget Sharon
- 33. Respiratory symptoms and dust exposure among cement processing factory workers, Tanzania. **Epaphrodius Canute Sabuni**
- 34. Integrating Survivorship in Cancer Control Work: The 2023 National Cancer Survivors Day Commemoration in Uganda. **Julian Nakiranda**
- 35. Hospital Thromboprophylaxy In Country with Low Income: Case of The University Hospital Center of Kamenge, Bujumbura, Burundi. **Thierry Sibomana**

36. Implementation of Policies and strategies for control of Non communicable disease in Tanzania: Challenges and Opportunities. **Pius Kagoma**

Screen #8: Bacterial Infections Chair: Mr Lazare Ntirenganya Rapporteur: Rwaka Kayitaba Gaston

- 37. Evaluation of Bacterial Pathogens from Selected Diabetic Foot Ulcers Patients at Thika Level 5 Hospital, Kiambu County, Kenya. **Ameyo Daglus**
- 38. Laboratory Challenges in Conducting TB Prevalence Survey in Post -COVID Pandemic Recovery Era: The Nairobi 2022 TB Prevalence Survey Experience. **Erick Nyadimo**
- 39. Implementation Bottlenecks of Real Time Medication Monitoring (evriMED) for Improving Adherence to Anti-TB Drugs among Tuberculosis Patients in Kilimanjaro, Tanzania: a mixed-methods study. **Rehema A Maro**
- 40. Detection of Spotted fever group rickettsial DNA in ticks collected from domestic animals in six counties Kenya. **Hellen Koka**
- 41. Factors Predisposing to Parietal Suppuration in Patients Undergone Laparotomy at Kamenge Teaching Hospital (KTH). **Jean Claude**
- 42. Intestinal Parasite Infections and Associated Risk Factors among Pre-School Aged Children in Kibera Informal Settlement, Nairobi, Kenya. **Daniel Njenga**

Screen #9: Health Systems Strengthening

Chair: Dr Bill Gueth Kueil Rapporteur: Emile Ngabo

- 43. Media Training for Improved Health Reporting: A Case of Uganda Cancer Society Project in Western Uganda. **Julian Nakiranda**
- 44. Digital Health Solutions for Expanded Health Systems Surge Capacities in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic. **Maureen Adoyo**
- 45. Use of Digital Technologies to Promote Real-Time Disease Outbreak Surveillance and Responses: a Desktop Review. **Edina Wanjiku**
- 46. Enhancing Health Resilience in Kenya: Integrating Preparedness and Response for Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases Based on Lessons Learnt From the COVID-19 Pandemic. **Miriam Wambui Ndegwa**
- 47. Exploration of the Potential for Telemedicine to Improve Access to Specialized Cancer Care for Patients in Rural or Underserved Areas in Uganda. **Baluku Nathan**
- 48. Resilience and Adaptive Capacity of Healthcare Facilities Towards Climate Change-Related Waterborne Diarrheal Diseases in Western Kenya. **Jack Ogony**

Screen #10: COVID-19 & Viral Infections

Chair: Dr Akway Cham

Rapporteur: Tuyishimire Norbert

49. Preliminary In Vivo Evidence of Oral Selenium Supplementation as a Potentiating Agent on a Vector-Based COVID-19 Vaccine in BALB/c Mice. **James Kimotho**

	50. Perspectives of Healthcare Providers Working with People Living with HIV on the Undetectable equals' Untransmissible Phenomenon in Some Selected Health Facilities in Rwanda: Readiness on Fast Track Strategy to End the AIDS Epidemic by 2030. Gad Partrick					
	51.Factors associated with viral load non-suppression among adolescents and young people living with HIV on Antiretroviral therapy (ART) in Nyamagabe District from January to December 2021: Case control study. Gaspard Bizimungu					
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Prevalence of iron deficiency and associated factors among blood donors at National Centre for Blood Transfusion in Kigali, Rwanda. Peter K. Kayonde	Human PapillomaVirus vaccination and its determinants among adolescent girls in Kilimanjaro, Northern Tanzania. Jojet Josephat	Use Of Intellectual Property System Among Traditional Medicine Knowledge Holders And Practitioners In Tanzania. Kijakazi Mashoto	Post-acute Sequelae of COVID-19 Case Fatality Rate and its Associated Covariates: A Systematic Review, Meta-Analysis and Meta-Regression. Muthuka J. Kyalo	Factors associated with mortality in TB patients on first-line treatment in Rwanda, July 2019- June 2022, Cross-sectional study. Nshimiyimana Kizito
Prevalence Of Blood Stream Infections And Assciated Factors Among Febrile Neutropenic Cancer Patients On Chemotherapy At Ocean. Lambert Christophe Safari	Factors Associated with HIV Pre-exposure prophylaxis Uptake Among Female Sex Workers in Karongi Peri –Urban Area: A Cross-Sectional Study. Twagirimana Gabriel	Assessment of non- communicable diseases community's knowledge to inform the pilot of WHO PEN PLUS initiatives in selected two districts in Tanzania. Gibson Kagaruki	Reliving stigma: Exploring the impact of HIV-ARV stigma on consumption and uptake of COVID-19 vaccination infertility fear among women from Kisa West in Kenya. Mariam Florence Yusuf	Diagnostic accuracy of plasma LAM antibodies in combination with urine LAM for TB detection in a high TB burden setting. Marthe Nakaye
Health insurance financing and patient retention in care at diabetics and hypertension clinics in Dar es Salaam and Pwani regions, Tanzania. Harrieth Mathias Manisha	Threat of Human Papillomavirus among women living with HIV attending antiretroviral therapy clinic in Mukono, Uganda. Nantale Prossy Nabatte	The effectiveness of interventions to reduce cardiometabolic risk factors among regular street food consumers in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania: the prepost. Gibson Kagaruki	Compliance and burnout: Healthcare workers' experiences with COVID-19-related prevention and control measures in Tanzania. Kassimu Tani	Descriptive Analysis of Patients tested for Pulmonary Tuberculosis at Saboti Sub County Hospital Laboratory, 2020. Isaac Njihia
Providers and stakeholder perceived benefits and challenges on the integration of NCDs services delivery with HIV services Rwanda. Vivianne Umuhire Niyonkuru	HIV self-testing uptake and linkage to HIV care among first-time HIV-positive testers: Evidence from a national HIV self-testing program in Uganda. Joseph KB Matovu	Impacts of COVID-19 pandemic on mental health service delivery and population in Rwanda: challenges, and lessons learnt. lyamuremye Jean Damascene	"forgotten and confused": Community health volunteers' experience during the COVID-19 pandemic in Kiambu County, Kenya. Naomi Muthoni Wachira	Epidemiological and sociodemographic analysis of pulmonary tuberculosis/HIV co-infection in Bujumbura hospital. Retrospective and descriptive study of 84. Thierry Sibomana
Community Health Promoter Booth", an innovative approach towards early diagnosis and linkage to care for diabetic and hypertensive patients in Transnzoia County, Kenya. Selpha Ongaya Amuko	Community Based Approaches towards Management of COVID-19: A Case Study of Home Based Isolation and Care (HBIC) in the Asian Community of Kisumu, Kenya. Justine Anyango Ochieng	Exploring factors associated with the weak research participation of medical students in Burundi. Yves Jacket Nsavyimana	Digital Health Solutions For Expanded Health Systems Surge Capacities In Response To COVID 19 Pandemic. Maureen Adoyo	Delay in Leprosy Diagnosis in Kilifi and Kwale Counties in Kenya. Barbara Miheso
Socio-cultural Factors Surrounding the Mental Health Outcomes amongst Women in Garissa County, Kenya.	Adherence to Antiretroviral Therapy and Associated Factors among HIV Clients at Juba Teaching Hospital, South	Knowledge, attitude and practices of traditional healers about management of Sudan Virus Disease, Uganda, September 2022.	Knowledge and preparedness for home-based, family-centred management of COVID-19 patients and dead bodies	Sexually Transmitted Infections and sexual behavior among 18– 24-year-old students attending Higher Learning Institutions in

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And Perceptions Of Medical Students Towards Mental Health At A University In Uganda. Bernard Raymond	workplace resilience among healthcare workers at the epicenter of the Sudan virus disease outbreak response in Uganda, 2022. Robert Zavuga	Pharmaceutical Drugs as Adulterants in Herbal Medicines Sold in selected Counties in Kenya. Ruth Nyangacha	mismatch, behavior, awareness and information needs of HIV/AIDS: Perspectives of school going adolescents in various Kenyan schools. Dama Olungae	Based Formulation And Preclinical Assessment Of Antimalarial Efficacy Of Dihydroartemisinin- Lumefantrine In A Mouse Model. Jeremiah Gathirwa
Knowledge, practices and therapeutic education on high blood pressure in hypertensive patients hospitalised in Bujumbura City. Yves Jacket Nsavyimana	Access to ART services: Lived experiences and coping strategies of HIV positive persons with visual impairment in Lira district, Northern Uganda; A qualitative study. Acila Gloria Ketty	Toxicity and In vivo Anti-Diabetic Evaluation of a Poly Herbal Formulation containing Azadirachta Indica, Kigelia Africana and Vernonia Amygdalina. Francis Omujal	Application of Nanopore sequencing technology for clinical diagnosis of infectious diseases: A case report of Campylobacter jejuni. Mariana Shayo	Phenotypic investigation of antimycobacterial activity of Solanum torvum total extracts using MABA technique. Joseph Mwanzia Nguta
Knowledge Of Trainee Medical Doctors In Terms Of Detection And Early Diagnosis Of Breast Cancer. Gloria Nikoyagize	Laboratory COVID 19 Testing Positivity Rate In Context To Vacciniation Status. Duncan ongayi	Traditional and Herbal Medicines Use among Prostate Cancer Patients in Kenya during the Era of COVID-19 Pandemic: Case of the Kenyatta National Hospital. Cecilia Kimani	The Roles of Community Health Workers in Pandemic Preparedness: A Case Study of COVID-19 in Areas Surrounding the Bwindi-Mgahinga Conservation Area. Johnbaptist Galiwango	Clinical outcomes of patients managed for Ameloblastoma at the Oral-maxillofacial Surgery Department MNH, Tanzania. Arnold Athman Mahegga
Perspectives On Mental Health Services For Medical Students At A Ugandan Medical School. Bernard Raymond Kihumuro	Characterization of COVID-19 cases in the early phase (March–July 2020) of the pandemic in Kenya. Philip Ngere	Exploring the utilization and attitudes towards herbal medicine amidst the COVID-19 pandemic: A cross-sectional study among postgraduate lecturers and students in Kenya. Grace Moraa	COVID 19 And Hiv: Sars-Cov-2 Serotesting And Co-Infections Which Way To Go? Mwangi Joseph	Impact of COVID-19 on Tuberculosis healthcare services delivery and uptake in Tanzania. Wiston William
Lifestyle Practices Influencing Mental Health Issues Experienced By University Students During COVID-19 Pandemic Lockdown Period. Asenath Nyantika	Whole Genomic Sequence analysis of SARS-CoV-2 reveals the persistence of Omicron sublineage XBB in Burundi. Néhémie Nzoyikorera	Prevalence of Herbal Medicine Use for Maternal Conditions in Tanzania: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. Hamisi Salumu Japhari	COVID-19 Pandemic Disruptions on Utilization of Maternal Healthcare at the Sub-national Level: Evidence from Health Management Information Systems (HMIS) in East Africa. Michael G Chipeta	
	Strength and shortcomings of Immunological mechanisms for	Preliminary study on the effect of Munronia pinnata (Wall) Theob.		

		current and future vaccines: A review based on evasion strategies for COVID-19 and regulatory based desion in vaccine development. Patrick Gad Iradukunda	(Meliaceae) aqueous extract on functional change in endothelial cells infected by Dengue. Pierre Celestin Munezero		
			From Common Cold Relief to COVID-19 Self-Made Treatment: A Kenyan Herbal Decoction (Dawa) evolved into a Homemade Herbal Remedy for COVID- 19: A review of its contents. Sabina Wachira		
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Screen #1: Bacterial Infections Chair: Dr Lina Sara Mathew

- 54. Gram-negative bacteria causing pulmonary infections in post-TB patients in Northern Tanzania. **Happiness Kumburu**
- 55. Sputum quality as a predictor on the yield of bacteriologically-confirmed TB by smear and culture in Nairobi count. **Robi Chacha**
- 56.SARS-CoV-2 exposure in a TB and TB/HIV co-infected cohort through antibody assessment in Kenya between 2019 and 2023. **Asiko Ongaya**
- 57. Factors Associated with Isoniazid Preventive Therapy Among HIV Patients Attending Comprehensive Care Clinic at Chuka County Referral Hospital, Kenya. **Dickson Gitonga**
- 58. Evidence of Dengue Viral Markers Among Blood Donors in Two Selected Blood Centres in Kenya: A Prospective Serological Study. **Festus Mulakol**

Screen #2: Maternal Child and Reproductive Health

Chair: Dr Kijakazi Mashoto

- 59. Uptake of Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Interventions Among Infected Mothers Attending Health Facilities in Mombasa County, Kenya. **Jacques Ngumbao**
- 60. Prevalence of Gastrointestinal Parasitic Infections and Risk Factors Among Pregnant Women Attending Ntaruka Health Center. **Jean Paul**
- 61. Attitudes of Medical Students Towards Post Abortion Care Service Provision in Uganda: A Cross-Sectional Study. **Nakitto Brenda**
- 62. Sustained positive effects on depressive symptoms among Ugandan mothers six years after a cluster-randomized education trial in a rural low-resource setting. **Per Ole Iversen**
- 63. Seasonal Variation and Predictors of Childhood Diarrhea in Tanzania. Gerald Phares

Screen #3: COVID-19 & Viral Infections

Chair: Dr Doreen Mloka

- 64. Mapping of medicinal resources with potential to mitigate COVID-19 and other SARS-like ailments in the K1-7 flora regions of Kenya: Field Experience. **Barbara Miheso**
- 65. Uptake of Human Papillomavirus Vaccine during COVID 19 pandemic among 10 year old girls in Baringo County. **Joyce Wambere Wachira**
- 66. ...forgotten and confused": Community health volunteers' experience during the COVID-19 pandemic in Kiambu County, Kenya. **Naomi Muthoni Wachira**
- 67. Compliance and burnout: Healthcare workers' experiences with COVID-19-related prevention and control measures in Tanzania. **Kassimu Tani**
- 68. Health care workers' Self-efficacy to manage COVID-19 patients in Central Uganda. **Sarah Maria Najjuka**
- 69. Understanding the self-collection preferences of women living in Rwanda. **Mutamba Barbra**

Screen #4: Malaria

Chair: Mr Prince Mutalemwa

- 70. The Role of Plasmodium falciparum HSP90 in Antimalarial Drug Treatment Outcome in a Malaria Endemic Region. **Dorcas Wachira**
- 71. Malaria Prevalence, Transmission Potential and Treatment Efficacy in the Central Kenya Highlands: A Zone Previously Categorized as Malaria Free. **Francis Kimani**
- 72. Assessing the antibacterial activity of Aloe vera against Staphylococcus aureus and Escherichia coli isolates. **Jean Nepomuscene**
- 73. In-vitro cytotoxic effects of Plantago major L, Ranunculus acris and Cannabis sativa L plant species- crude extracts against cervical cancer cells. **Zandile Nxumalo**
- 74. Use of Herbal Medicines for COVID-19 management: Perceptions, Attitudes and Practices of Healthcare Professions Students in Uganda. **Kiyimba Blaise**

Screen #5: Antimicrobial Resistance

Chair: Dr Tom Lutalo

- 75. Prevalence and Antibiotic Susceptibility of Environmental Infections in Rural Settings: Case of Three Rural Hospitals in Rwanda. **Françoise Nyirahabihirwe**
- 76. Bacteriological Profile and Antibiotic Sensitivity Patterns in Clinical Isolates at University Teaching Hospital of Butare (CHUB), a tertiary care hospital in Southern Rwanda. **Evariste Mushuru**
- 77. Antimicrobial susceptibility testing of *Klebsiella pneumoniae* and *Salmonella typh*i associated with bloodstream infections analyzed by the Rwanda National Reference Laboratory. **Flora Rwanyagatare**
- 78. Mixed sensitivities among Influenza A Virus (IAV) Isolates Collected from Kenya, 2008-2017, as revealed by molecular Neuraminidase Inhibition Susceptibility. **Meshack Wadegu**
- 79. Assessment of urinary tract infection and antimicrobial resistance profile among patients attending Butaro level 2 teaching hospital for UTI test. **Pierre Celestin**
- 80. Patterns and trends of antibacterial resistance before and during the COVID 19 era (2019-2021) at Mbeya Zonal Referral Hospital (MZRH). **James Hellar**

Screen #6: Health Systems Strengthening

Chair: Dr Achilles Katamba

- 81. Assessment of Awareness and Acceptability of Hepatitis B vaccine among Pre-service Health Professionals in Rwanda: Case of University of Rwanda. **Ntwari Kenny Bivegete**
- 82. Optimizing Healthcare Resources: Integrating COVID-19 vaccine in Routine Immunization in Kilimanjaro Region. **Juma Dyegula**
- 83. Assessing the Resilience of Child Immunisation Programs in sub-Saharan Africa amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic: Tracking Coverage and Identifying Key Challenges. **Chifuniro S. Mankhwala**
- 84. Revitalising COVID 19 coverage in Tanzania: unleashing the potential of client centred approaches for enhanced impact. **Kweyamba Sarah**
- 85. A study on the adoption of telemedicine technology by nurses and midwives of Mengo training hospital-Uganda in the convid-19 pandemic era. **Baluku Nathan**
- 86. Assessing trends and determinants of revisits among patients accessing public health services in Zanzibar **Abdul-latif Haji**

Screen #7: Non-Communicable Diseases

Chair: Ms Edith Akankwasa

- 87. Results of Non-Communicable Disease-Focused Community Health Screening in Rural Rwanda. **Lillian Zerihun**
- 88. Exploration of the Potential for Telemedicine to Improve Access to Specialized Cancer Care for Patients in Rural or Underserved Areas in Uganda. **Baluku Nathan**
- 89. Nano-Diagnostics: Illuminating the Path to Swift and Reliable Tuberculosis Diagnosis. A Perspective. **Styves Banga**
- 90. Integration of Chronic Oncology Services in Non-Communicable Disease Clinic in Rural Rwanda. **Robert Rutayisir**
- 91. Challenges of Unsupervised Sputum Samples Collection for Mycobacterium tuberculosis Analysis. **Martha Njoroge**

92. Physical Activity and Anxiety During the COVID-19 Pandemic in Tanzania: Does Health Status Matter? **Joyce Sifa Ndabi**

Screen #8: COVID-19 & Viral Infections

Chair: Dr Corneille Ntihabose

- 93. SARS-CoV-2 seroprevalence in a pregnancy cohort in Kenya from March 2020 to March 2022. Isaac Mwaniki
- 94. Clinical Features and Drivers of Outcomes Among Hospitalized COVID-19 Patients in Rwanda. **Gasana Joel**
- 95. SARS-CoV-2 Positivity Test and Associated Factors in Karongi district, Rwanda: A cross-sectional study. **Jean Paul**
- 96. Effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic and National Lockdown on the Uptake of Childhood Immunization Services in Kampala, Uganda. **Allan Baguma**
- 97. Trust and Willingness Towards COVID-19 Vaccine Uptakes in Achieving Nation Goal: A Case of Njombe, Tanzania. **Catherine Bunga**

Screen #9: Maternal Health & Parasitic Infections

Chair: Angok Gordon Kuol

- 98. Utilization Of Sexual Reproductive Health Services Among Young People Living With HIV in Nairobi, Kenya. **Nomsa Phiri**
- 99. Prevalence of Depression Amongst Pregnant Women Visiting Juba Teaching Hospital. **Jonathan Majok**
- 100. Monitoring of Delays to Maternal and Neonatal Emergency Care in Remote Island, Kenya. **Evance Ogola**
- 101. Community Smearing Day in Prevention and Control of Tungiasis, A Case of Emanyinya Cu in Emuhaya Sub County, Vihiga county. **Khainga Fanuel**
- 102. Unmasking Healthcare Workers' Voices: A Discussion on the COVID-19 Pandemic Experience. **Prabhjot Juttla**
- 103. Women in Health and their Economic, Equity and Livelihood statuses during Emergency Preparedness (WHEELER) Protocol: A mixed methods study in Kenya. **Evaline Chepchichir Lang'at**

Screen #10: COVID-19 & Viral Infections

Chair: Dr Evans Amukoye

- 104. Clinical Trial Experience on Cold Chain Management in the COVID-19 Vaccine Study. **Shamsa Haji**
- 105. COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy in Pregnant Women in Kilifi, Kenya: A mixed Methods Study. **Angela Koech**

	Patient's Willingness To Pay For The Improved Community Health Insurance And Medications Packages In Tanzania. Kassimu Tani	In Vitro Study On The Immunomodulatory Effects Of Free & Chitosan Antitubercular Flavonoid Nanocapsules On Thp-1-Derived. Samuel Onsomu Kenyanya	COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake And Coverage In Uganda, 2021-2022. King Patrick	Assessing Healthcare Workers Knowledge And Their Confidence In Diagnosis And Management Of Mpox In Burundi. Epipode Ntawuyamara	Capacity building in leadership and professional development of African women in the control of vector-borne diseases. Damaris Matoke-Muhia
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	 107. Development and Implementation of a Digital Application for Infectious Disease Surveillance in Tanzanian Referral Hospitals. Melkiory Godfery Beti 108. Developing an Early Warning System for Childhood Diarrhea Outbreak in Tanzania. 				
	106. Evaluating the Efficiency of the DHIS2 System in COVID-19 Surveillance: Case Study, Nairobi Cosmopolitan County. Seth Ouma Okeyo 107. Development and Implementation of a Digital Application for Infectious Disease				

Use Of Digital Technologies To Promote Real-Time Disease Outbreak Surveillance And Responses: A Desktop Review. Edna Wanjiku	Tuberculosis Services Delivery Challenges And Their Mitigations During COVID-19 In Tanzania: A Qualitative Study Of Healthcare Workers And Community Health Workers. Doreen Pamba	Implementing Sars-Cov-2 Aantigen Testing Scale-Up In Rwanda: A Retrospective Analysis Of National Programme Data And Qualitative Findings. Robert Rutayisire	Understanding Facilitators And Barriers To COVID- 19 Vaccination In The Zimbabwean Population: A Qualitative Analysis. Masceline Mutsaka- Makuvaza	Retesting of GeneXpert samples and timely DST performance at the National Reference Laboratory, January 2020 to April 2023, Kigali-Rwanda. Damaris Matoke- Muhia
Rapid Health Assessment In The Refugee Host Communities In Kisoro District, South Western Uganda, June–July 2022. Brenda Nakafeero Simbwa	Assessment of Disability among Leprosy patients on treatment initiation in Kwale and Kilifi counties, Kenya. Margaret Karugu	COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy And Acceptance Among The Residents Of Nairobi County, Kenya, And Associated Factors. John Chege	Sars-Cov-2 Seroprevalence In A Pregnancy Cohort In Kenya From March 2020 To March 2022. Isaac Mwaniki	Assessing the effects of the dual clinical practice policy on physicians working in the public health sector: A case study of Rwanda. Pascal Birindabagabao
Utilization of digital health systems to describe trends and spatial distribution of Organophosphate Poisoning in Uganda, 2017—2022: A case study of the District Health Information System-2 digital health platform. Robert Zavuga	Plasmid characterization in bacterial isolates of public health relevance in a tertiary healthcare facility in Kilimanjaro region, Tanzania. Lameck Pashet Sengeruan	Epidemiology Of Early Cases Reported In A Rift Valley Fever Outbreak In Mbarara District, Western Uganda, January – March, 2023. Zainah Kabami	Challenges and shock responses during early COVID-19 pandemic in an informal settlement in Nairobi, Kenya: lessons to inform future responses. Violet Wanjihia	Assessing the determinants of routine data use to enhance informed decision making in the health system: A Literature Review in Low and Middle-Income Countries. Bigten Kikoba
Adoption of technology-driven solution for multisectoral engagement in the detection and sharing of signals of public health disasters to enhance efficiency of early warning and response systems. Calvin Sindato	Unseen Passengers: Revealing Bacterial Contamination on Public Buses Through Metagenomic Analysis. Davis Kuchaka	Informing National Policy To Introduce Maternal COVID-19 Vaccine In Kenya Through Rapid Evidence Synthesis. Eleanor Ochodo	Assessment Of Awareness And Acceptability Of Hepatitis B Vaccine Among Pre-Service Health Professionals In Rwanda: Case Of University Of Rwanda. Ntwari Kenny Bivegete	Effectiveness of Community-Owned Resource Persons in Improving TB Case Finding in Teso Sub- Region, North Eastern Uganda. Saadick Ssentongo
Technologies for climate data analysis: Evaluating long term climate patterns and implications for disease transmission. Luna Kamau	Mycological And Mycotoxin Quality Of Commonly Consumed Beverages From Selected Counties In Kenya. Vincent Kiprop	Willingness To Receive COVID-19 Vaccines, Associated Factors And Reasons For Hesitancy Among Persons Aged 13-80 Years In Central Uganda. A Population-Based Surveillance Cohort. Alex Daama	Psychosocial Wellbeing Of Healthcare Workers During Pandemics - Whose Responsibility? Lessons From COVID-19 Response And Management. Elinor Wanyama Chemonges	Standards For Evaluating The Quality Of Undergraduate Nursing Elearning Programme In Low-And Middle-Income Countries: A Modified Delphi Study. Moses Mutua
Peer leaders and mentorship to enhance the adoption of quality healthcare delivered through health digitalization by Community Health Workers in Rwanda. Angele Bienenue Ishimwe	Oxford Nanopore sequence-based detection of Chlamydia trachomatis from archived endocervical swab in Mwanza Tanzania. Tolbert Sonda	Trust And Willingness Towards COVID 19 Vaccine Uptakes In Achieving Nation Goal- A Case Of Njombe- Tanzania. Catherine Bunga	Clinical Features And Drivers Of Outcomes Among Hospitalized COVID-19 Patients In Rwanda. Gasana Joel	Evaluation of time from sample collection at health facilities in Kigezi Region to receipt at Central Public Health Laboratory, Uganda from February to May. Leah Naluwagga Baliruno

	Enhancing Health Resilience In Kenya: Integrating Preparedness And Response For Communicable And Non-Communicable Diseases Based. Miriam Wambui Ndegwa	Leveraging Faith Communities For Rapid Messaging And Adoption Of Infection Prevention Measures In Emergency Response Situations In Kenya. Godwin Mugo	Revitalising COVID 19 Coverage In Tanzania: Unleashing The Potential Of Client Centred Approaches For Enhanced Impact. Kweyamba Sarah	Effect Of COVID-19 On Child Mortality In Rwanda. Hinda Ruton	Place of death, certification of deaths and associated factors in Uganda, January 2017 to March 2023. Elizabeth B. Katana
	Are We Prepared For The Next Pandemic? Experiences Of A Tertiary Health Care Facility In Kenya. Lucy W. Mwangi	Retrospective Active Case Finding of Leprosy in Kilifi and Kwale Counties in Kenya. Sophie Matu	Occupational Exposure Sources Of COVID19 Disease Among Health Workers. Findings From A Tertiary Hospital In Kenya. John Macharia Kiragu	Evaluating The Impact Of COVID-19 On National Hiv Treatment Services In Rwanda: An Interrupted Time-Series Analysis. Gallican Nshogoza Rwibasira	ULTRA: An Electronic Birth Registry for the Kilimanjaro Region. Gustarv Nkya
	Effectiveness of a Digital Game in Improving Vaccine Attitudes and Resistance to Misinformation: An Experimental Intervention in Kenya and Uganda. Doris Njomo		Coping Strategies Among Persons Following A COVID 19 Infection, Receiving Treatment At Kenyatta National Hospital, Kenya. Diviner Nyarera	Evaluating The Impact Of COVID-19 On Hiv Testing In Rwanda: An Interrupted Time-Series Analysis. Eric Remera	Building Capacity For Surgical Research To Improve Outcome Of Surgical Patients: A Cosecsa Global Surgery Mentorship Program. Godfrey Sama Philipo
	Generative Artificial Intelligence Technologies that Support Data Analytics Translation in Kenya. Dennis Magu		Assessment Of The Sudan's Surveillance And Response System To The COVID-19 Pandemic: Performance, Limitations, And Recommendations. Yousif Ali	Evaluating The Impact Of COVID-19 On Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (Vmmc) Services In Rwanda: An Interrupted Time-Series Analysis. Hinda Ruton	
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			school aged children	Ebola Outbreak in		
			in pastoralist	Uganda. Wanyana		
			communities of	Mercy Wendy		
			Narok County, Kenya: A cross-			
			sectional study.			
			Richelle W. Kihoro			
12:05-12:15	Q &A	Q &A	Q &A	Q &A	Q &A	
12:15 –13:15	Lunch					
13:20-13:50	Discussion on the	proposed recomme	endations of the 9 th l	EAHSC		
13:50-14:05	Evaluation of the C	Conference				
14:05-17:00	Closing Ceremon	y:				
	Hall: KCC Main H	all				
14:10 – 14:40	Awards to winners					
14:40 – 15:10			lations from the 9th E	EAHSC – Chair of	the RSSC	
15:10 -15:20	Remarks by the M	inistry of Health of	Rwanda, and hand	over to the Republ	ic of South Sudan,	
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15:20 -15:30		-	e Ministry of Health	, South Sudan		
15:30-15:40	Closing speech by	the Hon Minister o	f Foreign Affairs and	d International Cod	peration of	
	Republic of Rwand	da				
15:40-17:00	•	acks, and entertainr	ment.			
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