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Carter Center Expert Participation in American Society for Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH) 2021 Annual Meeting

Nov. 18, 2021 Press Release | New Evidence that Mass Treatment with Ivermectin Has Halted Spread of River Blindness in Two Nigerian States;

Separate Study Shows Drug's Potential to Interrupt West Nile Virus

Transmission in U.S.

Related Resource: Nigeria Onchocerciasis Elimination Resources

GLIDE Podcast: A Man on a Mission: The Carter Center's Dr. Frank
Richards' Journey to Eliminate River Blindness

Since 1982, the Center has been an active participant of the American Society for Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH), the largest international scientific organization dedicated to reducing the worldwide burden of tropical infectious diseases and improving global health.

Carter Center experts have been sharing their findings and engaging with public health peers through ASTMH for decades, and this year it is no different.

In 2021, Carter Center Health Program representatives will have 10 presentations at the 2021 ASTMH Annual Meeting, including 5 oral presentations and 5 digital posters. A feature of this year's Carter Center participation in ASTMH will include important updates on Onchocerciasis elimination in Nigeria.

Carter Center Expert Participation

Dr. Abel Eigege, Director Plateau/Nasarawa, Nigeria	River Blindness	Oral	Post-Treatment Surveillance for Onchocerciasis in Plateau and Nasarawa, Nigeria: evidence for elimination of transmission
Dr. Emmanuel Emukah, Director Edo/Delta, Nigeria	River Blindness	Oral	Onchocerciasis elimination status in five Carter Center- supported states in southern Nigeria: measuring progress towards onchocerciasis elimination in Nigeria
Emily Griswold, Associate Director, Atlanta	River Blindness	Oral	Evaluating the adoption of COVID-19 prevention measures during mass drug administration in Anambra State, Nigeria
Emily Griswold, Associate Director, Atlanta	River Blindness	Poster	Progress in nationwide mapping of onchocerciasis endemicity in Ethiopia using serological and entomological indicators of transmission
Dr. Angelia Sanders, Associate Director, Atlanta	Trachoma	Poster	Serological responses to trachoma antigens prior to the start of mass drug administration: Results from population-based baseline surveys, North Darfur state, Sudan
Dr. Scott Nash, Epidemiologist, Atlanta	Trachoma	Oral	Wait and Watch: a potential trachoma surveillance strategy from Amhara, Ethiopia
Mr. Phong Le, Carter Center Graduate Student	Trachoma	Poster	Factors associated with unfavorable trachoma surveillance survey results after elimination as a public health problem in Amhara, Ethiopia: Results from 51 district-level surveys
Dr. Gregory Noland, Director RB/LF/Sch and Malaria	Hispaniola	Oral	Post-Treatment Surveillance for Lymphatic Filariasis in the Dominican Republic
Dr. Luccene Desir	Hispaniola	Poster	Post-Treatment Surveillance for Lymphatic Filariasis in Haiti: Results from Transmission Assessment Survey (TAS- 3) in Saut d'Eau and La Tortue
Ms. Sadie Bazur- Leidy, Senior Program Associate, Atlanta	Mental Health	Poster	Addressing the Mental Health of Persons Living with Lymphatic Filariasis in Leogane, Haiti: Evaluation of a Chronic Disease Self-Management Pilot Program