

Oxford Tropical Network (OTN) Meeting 2025 Vaccine Workforce Development Programme (VWDP) Side Event Agenda & Participants

The KEMRI-Wellcome Trust Research Programme (KWTRP) Vaccine Workforce Development Programme (VWDP) aims to build the capacity of African scientists to support local vaccine manufacturing.

We will hold a half-day side event on 15th September 2025, followed by participation of all registered attendees in the main event from 16th and 18th September 2025.

This half-day session will provide an opportunity for the KWTRP VWDP team to showcase programme activities, as well as highlight the impact of these activities through a presentation by one of the participants.

The tentative agenda is as follows:

1. Welcome, introductions and overview of the vaccine workforce development programme (15 mins)
2. Presentation by the winner of the competitive call: Reflections on experience and impact, followed by Q&A (30 mins)
3. Short presentations by key programme partners (60 mins)
4. Break and networking (15 minutes)
5. Panel discussion and Q&A (60 minutes)
6. Closing meeting with the Programme Steering Committee (60 minutes)

The Participants of the side event are outlined in the table below:

S. No.	Name	Affiliation
Internal		
1.	George Warimwe	KWTRP
2.	Marianne Munene	KWTRP
3.	Clive Nyaribo	KWTRP
4.	John Gitonga	KWTRP
Programme Steering Committee		
1.	Lawrence Yap	Hilleman Laboratories
2.	Marianne Mureithi	University of Nairobi
3.	Anne Makena	NDM, Oxford University
4.	Ray Prasad	Gates Foundation

5.	Alice Lee	International Vaccine Initiative
External Partners		
1.	Eman Fares	BioGeneric Pharma
2.	Heba Wali	BioGeneric Pharma
3.	Chiluba Mwila	Africa CDC
4.	Erlyani Hamid	Hilleman Laboratories
5.	Thumbi Ndungu	University of Nairobi
6.	IVI Representative (TBC)	International Vaccine Institute
7.	CVIM Pirbright Representative (TBC)- check with Julian Seago	Pirbright Institute
8.	Rebecca Grais	Institut Pasteur
Participants		
5 Posters (main event) & 1 Oral Presentation (side event)		
1 poster from VWDP- Clive Nyaribo		
1 Poster from SIIPL apprenticeship- John Gitonga		
1 poster from IVI apprenticeship- (TBC)		
1 poster from Hilleman Laboratories apprenticeship- (TBC)		
1 poster from Vaccinology in Africa course 2024- (TBC)		
1 oral presentation at the side event from winner of competitive call- Charity Ngirande		
Total number of participants: 21 persons		