



Day 1 – 22nd July 2024

08:00 - 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 09:05 **Welcome Remarks / house keeping**

- *Julius Mayengo, Manager Pharmacovigilance NDA*

Session 1: Advancing PV Data-Driven Decision Making in Africa

09:05 – 09:10 **Chairpersons**

- *Comfort Ogar, Senior Pharmacovigilance Manager, United States Pharmacopeia (USP)*
- *Jayesh Pandit, QPPV, Bayer East Africa Ltd*

09:10 – 09:30 **Data Collection to Data-Driven Decision-Making for Patient Safety in Africa: A case of the AU-3S pilot during COVID-19 pandemic in promoting patient safety**

- *Kenneth Onu, Principal Program Officer, AUDA-NEPAD*

09:30 – 09:50 **Role of Vigilize for signal detection and regulatory decision making - Experiences and lessons from Eritrea**

- *Mulugeta Russom, Head of Eritrean Pharmacovigilance Centre*

09:50 – 10:10 **Envisioning database networks for safety surveillance in Africa - opportunities and challenges**

- *Kimberly Gutu, Project Manager, VIDA*

10:10 – 10:30 **Use of RWD for PV data-driven decision: Experience from Botswana**

- *Lebogang Koitsiwe, Pharmacovigilance Manager, BoMRA*

10:30 – 10:40 **Oral Presentation: Impact of serious adverse drug reactions on the quality of life of patients on highly active antiretroviral therapy**

- *Peter Bassi, Associate Professor of clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutic, University of Abuja, Nigeria*

10:40 – 10:45 **Sponsor Presentation**

- *Deirdre McCarthy, Senior Program Officer, Integrated Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation*

10:45 – 11:15 **Coffee Break and Poster Session**

Session 2: Signal Management and Risk Communication

11:15 – 11:20 **Chairpersons**

- *Mulugeta Russom, Head of Eritrean Pharmacovigilance Centre*
- *Peter Bassi, Associate Professor of clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutic, University of Abuja, Nigeria*

11:20 – 11:40 **The Role of Patient Reporting in Strengthening Signal Detection in PV Databases**

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- *Ronald Kiguba, Senior Lecturer, Makerere University*

11:40 – 12:00 **Eritrea experience in signal management and risk communication: success stories, challenges and lessons learned**

- *Mulugeta Russom, Head of Eritrean Pharmacovigilance Centre*

12:00 – 12:20 **The Journey from Safety Signals to Risk Factors to Product Label - A Case of Efavirenz Signal Management and Risk Communication**

- *Mukonzo Jackson, Associate Professor and Chair Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Makerere University*

12:20 – 12:40 **Utilization and impact of the WHO Global Surveillance and Monitoring System database**

- *Edith Andrews Annan, Technical Officer, Medicines and Health Technologies, WHO*

12:40 – 12:50 **Oral Presentation: Patient experiences of sexual dysfunction after transition to dolutegravir-based HIV treatment in Western Uganda**

- *Henry Zakumumpa, Makerere University, Uganda*

12:50 – 13:00 **Oral Presentation: Signal Management and Risk Communication in Pharmacovigilance: Exploring Dynamics, Challenges, and Strategies in Uganda**

- *Christopher Cox, Makerere University College of Health Sciences, Uganda*

13:00 – 13:05 **Sponsor Presentation**

- USP

13:05 – 14:00 **Lunch**

Session 3: Vaccine Safety Monitoring in Africa

14:00 – 14:05 **Chairpersons**

- *Peter Bassi, Associate Professor of clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutic, University of Abuja, Nigeria*
- *Mulugeta Russom, Head of Eritrean Pharmacovigilance Centre*

14:05 – 14:15 **Enhancing Vaccine Pharmacovigilance and vaccine safety database: The role of National immunization Program**

- *Uchenna Elemuwa, Director Pharmacovigilance, NAFDAC, Nigeria*

14:15 – 14:25 **Vaccine safety and pharmacovigilance within the context of CEPI's 100 days mission**

- *Rebecca Chandler, Vaccine Safety Lead, CEPI*

14:25 – 14:35 **Vaccine hesitancy and the importance of safety monitoring in enhancing coverage for new vaccines**

- *Ombeva Malande, Director, East Africa Centre for Vaccines and Immunization*

14:35 – 15:15 **Panel Discussion: Vaccine Safety and Mitigating Vaccine Hesitancy**

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Chair: Hannelie Meyer, Head of the South African Vaccination and Immunisation Centre

Panelists:

- Uchenna Elemuwa, Director Pharmacovigilance, NAFDAC
- Rebecca Chandler, Vaccine Safety Lead, CEPI
- Ombeva Malande, Director, East Africa Centre for Vaccines and Immunization

15:15 – 15:25 **Oral presentation: Strengthening the Adverse Events Following Immunization Surveillance System for COVID-19 Vaccine Safety Monitoring and beyond: a case of Tanzania**

- Damas Matiko, Tanzanian Medicines and Medical Device Authority/TMDA

15:25 – 15:35 **Oral presentation: Patient Reported Outcomes of Adverse Events After COVID-19 Vaccination in Nigeria: A Mixed Methods Study**

- Comfort Ogar, Senior Pharmacovigilance Manager, United States Pharmacopeia (USP)

15:35 – 15:40 **Sponsor Presentation**

- IntuVigilance

15:40 – 16:00 **Coffee Break and Poster Session**

Conference Opening Ceremony

16:00 – 16:10 **Remarks from the President of The ISoP Africa Chapter**

- Dr Helen Byomiire Ndagije, President ISoP Africa Chapter,

16:10 – 16:20 **Remarks from the President of ISoP Global**

- Angela Caro Rojas President, International Society of Pharmacovigilance

16:20 – 16:30 **Remarks from the Secretary to the Authority**

- David Nahamya, Secretary to the Authority

16:30 – 16:40 **Remarks from the Chairperson of the Board NDA**

- Dr Medard Bitekyerezo, Chairperson Board NDA

16:40 – 16:50 **Remarks from AUDA-NEPAD**

- Symerre Grey- Johnson, Director Human capital and institutional development

16:50 – 17:00 **Speech from Country representative WHO**

- Dr Yonas Tegegn Woldemariam, Country Representative WHO

17:00 – 17:15 **Opening remarks/ Speech from the minister of Health**

- Dr Jane Ruth Aceng Ozero, Minister of Health, Uganda

17:15 – 17:30 **Photographs**

18:00 - 20:00 **Drinks Reception**

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Day 2 – 23rd July 2024

Session 4: Regulatory Harmonization for PV

08:45 – 08.50 Chairpersons

- *Kate Kikule, Senior Principal Technical Advisor, USAID Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) Program*
- *Victoria Prudence Nambasa, Senior Program Officer, AUDA-NEPAD*

08:50 – 09:10 The role of ISO P in the African Medicines Agency (AMA) Pharmacovigilance Framework

- *Helen Ndajige, Director Product Safety, Uganda National Drug Authority*

09:10 – 09:30 ISO P Strategic Vision and How to Support Africa

- *Angela Caro Rojas President, International Society of Pharmacovigilance*

09:30 – 09:50 Updates on Regional PV Harmonization in Africa

- *Vanessa Msengezi, AMRH Programme AUDA-NEPAD*

09:50 – 10:00 Oral Presentation: Assessing the maternal vaccine pharmacovigilance landscape in Uganda

- *Victoria Prudence Nambasa, Senior Program Officer, AUDA-NEPAD*

10:00 – 10:10 Oral Presentation: Pharmacovigilance Guideline Harmonisation in Africa

- *Thuli Makhene, Bayer, South Africa*

10:10 – 10:15 Sponsor Presentation

- *Rene Industries*

10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break and Poster Session

Session 5: Pharmacovigilance in Africa: A Local Perspective

10:30 – 10:35 Chairpersons

- *Nimisha Kotecha, Managing Director, IntuVigilance*
- *Dorothy Aywak, Head of Pharmacovigilance, Kenyatta National Hospital*

10:35 – 10:55 Why is Pharmacovigilance important to Africa?

- *Jayesh Pandit, Bayer*

10:55 – 11:15 PV from Local Manufacturers' Perspective

- *Frances Namatovu, QPPV, Quality Chemical Ltd*

11:15 – 11:35 PV from Local Distributors' Perspective

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- 11:35 – 11:45 **Oral Presentation: Discovering the potential of local pharmaceutical manufacturers in Africa through effective pharmacovigilance**
- *Blessed Kitentera, National Drug Authority, Uganda*
- 11:45 – 11:55 **Oral Presentation: A cost-effectiveness analysis of active and passive vaccinovigilance of adverse events following Measles-Rubella Immunization for Children in Eastern Uganda**
- *Michael Muhoozi, Makerere University Centre for Health and Population Research, Uganda*
- 11:55 – 12:00 **Sponsor Presentation**
- *Infectious Diseases Institute*
- 12:00 – 12:50 **Lunch**

Session 6: Active Monitoring of Medicines / Vaccines

- 12:50 – 12:55 **Chairpersons**
- *Comfort Ogar, Senior Pharmacovigilance Manager, United States Pharmacopeia (USP)*
 - *Julius Mayengo, Manager Pharmacovigilance, National Drug Authority*
- 12:55 – 13:15 **Navigating Challenges and Successes: Leveraging New Technologies in Adverse Event Reporting in the context of active surveillance**
- *Omar Aimer, ISoP EC member and Treasurer, NASoP President, Medical Device SIG lead*
- 13:15 – 13:35 **The role of active safety monitoring of COVID-19 vaccines in maximizing reporting and enhancing the quality of immunization campaigns – experiences from Africa**
- *Edinam Amavi Agbenu, Vaccine Safety Officer, WHO Regional Office for Africa*
- 13:35 – 13:55 **Combining data from clinical trials and post-introduction active safety monitoring studies to enhance safety decision-making**
- *Berhnards Ogutu, Senior Clinical Scientist, KEMRI*
- 13:55 – 14:05 **Oral Presentation: Leveraging COVID-19 Vaccine Safety Monitoring in Ethiopia and Pakistan to Enhance System-Wide Safety Surveillance**
- *Aida Hagos, Ethiopia*
- 14:05 – 14:15 **Oral Presentation: Safety Outcomes of COVID-19 Vaccines in People Living with HIV: A Prospective Cohort Study in Uganda**
- *Kato Sengendo, Infectious Diseases Institute, Uganda*
- 14:15 – 14:25 **Oral Presentation: Building Pharmacovigilance Capacity among Health Professionals in Uganda through Curriculum Intervention**
- *Jonans Tusiimire, Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Uganda*
- 14:25 – 14:30 **Sponsor Presentation**

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- *Uganda National Drug Authority*

14:30 – 14:50 **Coffee Break and Poster Session**

Session 7: Digital Health and Patient Engagement in PV

14:50 – 14:55 **Chairpersons**

- *Kennedy Odokonyero*
- *Clarice Ambale, Centre for Health Solutions, Kenya*

14:55 – 15:15 **Using peer support to promote patient-led digital pharmacovigilance in limited-resource settings**

- *Ronald Kiguba, Senior Lecturer, Makerere University*

15:15 – 15:35 **Health Data Analytics for Pharmacovigilance in Africa**

- *Helena Sköld, Head of VigiBase and Regulatory Services, Uppsala Monitoring Centre*

15:35 – 15:55 **Artificial Intelligence in Pharmacovigilance**

- *Mohammed I. Fouda, Head, Signal Detection Section, Saudi Food and Drug Authority*

15:55 – 16:15 **Using Technology for Better Data Collection in Pharmacovigilance**

- *Mick Foy, Director of Delivery, MHRA*

16:15 – 16:25 **Oral Presentation: Digital Transformation Approach for African Safety Surveillance: Insights from AU-3S Programme's Deployment Towards AfriVigilance**

- *Kudakwashe Dandajena, AUDA-NEPAD*

16:25 – 16:35 **Oral presentation: Pharmacovigilance Monitoring System PVIMS (OpenRIMS-PV) – A Digital Tool to Enhance Decision-Making for Active and Passive Patient Safety Monitoring**

- *Deane Putzier, Management Sciences for Health/ Medicines Technologies and Pharmaceutical services program*

16:35 – 16:40 **Sponsor Presentation**

- *Quality Chemicals Ltd*

16:40 **Transport to the Gala Dinner Venue**

18:00 - 21:00 **Gala Dinner**



Day 3 – 24th July 2024

09:00 – 09:30 Poster Session

Session 8: Impact of the African genetic background on AE and future PV monitoring

09:30 - 09:35 **Chairpersons**

- *Victoria Prudence Nambasa, Senior Program Officer, AUDA-NEPAD*
- *Bisaso Kuteesa, NDA*

09:35 – 09:55 **Using data precision medicine solutions to address adverse drug reactions**

- *Janine Scholefield, Research Group Leader at Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)*

09:55 – 10:15 **Use of local African datasets to infer and predict high-impact drug-gene pairs to monitor and minimize ADR**

- *Berhnards Ogutu, Senior Clinical Scientist, KEMRI*

10:15 – 10:35 **The Implementation of Precision Medicine, an African Agenda from a Private Sector perspective**

- *Eshara Chotoo, CEO, Antares Genomics*

10:35 – 10:45 **Oral Presentation: Digital Transformation Approach for African Safety Surveillance: Insights from AU-3S Programme's Deployment Towards AfriVigilance**

- *Kudakwashe Dandajena, AUDA-NEPAD*

10:45 – 10:55 **Oral presentation: Assessing the background incidence rates of adverse events of special interest in obstetric and neonatal care using the GAIA in Uganda**

- *Dan Kajungu, Makerere University Centre for Health and Population Research (MUCHAP), Uganda*

10:55 – 11:05 **Oral Presentation: Transitioning Children to Optimized Regimens of Pediatric Dolutegravir (TORPEDO) Study: Pharmacovigilance Endline Results in Uganda, Nigeria and Benin**

- *Aston Nuwagira, Clinton Health Access Initiative, Uganda*

11:05 – 11:15 **Oral Presentation: Strengthening Pharmacovigilance using the COM-B Model at Facilities Starting Children on Dolutegravir-based Regimens in Uganda from January 2022 to December 2022**

- *Claudia Janice Latabu, Infectious Disease Institute, Uganda*

11:15 – 11:25 **Oral Presentation: Increasing the proportion of correctly documented adverse drugs (ADRs) at Mulago ISS Clinic, a high volume HIV care facility in Kampala Uganda**

- *Dorothy Nakanwagi, Makerere University Joint AIDS Program, Uganda*

11:25 – 11:30 **Sponsor Presentation**

- *Joint Medical Stores*

11:30 - 11:50 **Coffee Break**

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ISO P Africa Chapter- Business Meeting

- 11:50 – 12:20 **The Structure of ISO P African Chapter: Constitution, bylaws, and governance structure and TW**
- 12:20 – 12:50 **Discussions and approval**
- 12:50 – 13:05 **Updates from Regional or Country Chapters**
- 13:05 – 13:40 **TWG Meetings**

Closing Ceremony

- 13:40 – 13:55 **Award for Best Poster**
- 13:55 – 14:05 **Induction of New Executives**
- 14:05 – 14:15 **Future for the African Chapter - Remarks by the incoming President**
- 14:15 – 14:20 **Final Comments, Farewells and Close of Meeting**
- 14:20 – 15:20 **Lunch**