Cohorts and Long-Term Collaboration: Examples from Côte d’Ivoire and Tanzania

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Swiss TPH, IHI and CSRS: 70 Years of Productive Partnership
Partnership in Action

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Health & Demographic Surveillance System Profile

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History and Key Characteristics

• **Motivation**
  • Set-up a platform to measure impact of control measures against schistosomiasis and other neglected tropical diseases
  • More broadly, improve people’s health and well-being and access to quality care

• **Established in 2008;** started health and demographic surveillance activities in 2009

• **Funding**
  • Initially: Swiss-based NGO Fairmed; within 2 years taken over by CSRS and Swiss TPH
  • Now: large portfolio of activities

• **Population covered**
  • Initial census 2008: 38,500 people; Now, >45,000 people

• **Research and implementation areas**
  • Infectious diseases
  • Non-communicable diseases and dual burden of disease
Ifakara Health Institute (IHI)

- **1956**: Swiss Tropical Institute Field Laboratory (STIFL) founded by Prof. Rudolf Geigy
- **1981**: STIFL named to Ifakara Center, ‘an affiliate” of NIMR
- **1994**: First Tanzanian appointed as Director
- **1996**: Ifakara Health Research & Development Center (IHRDC) registered as a Trust
- **2008**: IHRDC renamed to IHI
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Mosquito Net Use in Early Childhood and Survival to Adulthood in Tanzania

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Population-based rates, timing, and causes of maternal deaths, stillbirths, and neonatal deaths in south Asia and sub-Saharan Africa: a multi-country prospective cohort study

The Alliance for Maternal and Newborn Health Improvement (2013). Mortality by study group.

43%