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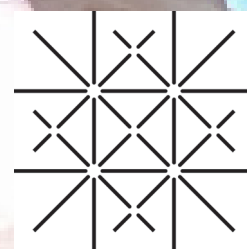


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## about the MARG

The Medical Anthropology Research Group (MARG) is an interfaculty research group, linking the Institute of Social Anthropology and the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Swiss TPH). The group engages with current debates in medical anthropology, general anthropology and public health through field research on everyday health practice, especially among adolescents and older persons, with a special interest in conceptions of the body, intergenerational and transnational care, migration, resilience and equity.

### Recent & current projects

**Sexual and Reproductive Resilience of Adolescents in East and West Africa,** Project Leader: Dr. C. Pfeiffer and Dr. C. Ahorlu , Duration: 07.2009 - 06.2013.

**Ageing, Agency and Health in urban Tanzania,** Project leader: Prof. Dr. Brigit Obrist, Duration: 04.2012 - 03.2015.

**Rolling out Preventive Chemotherapy to Achieve Rapid and Sustained Impact on Opisthorchiasis and Soil-Transmitted Helminthiases in Lao PDR: An Intervention Study in Saravane District,** Project Leader: PD Dr. Peter Odermatt; Co-Investigator: Dr. Piet van Eeuwijk; Duration: 2009-2013.

**From 'Cure to Care' Among the Elderly. Old-Age Vulnerability in Tanzania,** Project Leader: Dr. Piet van Eeuwijk; PhD Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Brigit Obrist; Duration: 2008-2012.



MARG Members, March 2014

# list of publications

## 2014

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## events

SEG-Jahrestagung: Social Anthropology and Global Transformations, 31st October/1st November 2014 (Basel)

MAS-Symposium: Normen und Normierung in der Kindheit, 24th October 2014 (Zürich)

MAS-Kolloquium: Lebensende, 21st August 2014 (Bern)

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