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Overview and Goals

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From "Montreux" to GVRF to GVIRF



- WHO Montreux meetings (1990'ties)
 - Progress in vaccine R&D
- WHO Global Vaccine Research Fora (2000- 2011)
 - Progress in vaccine R&D and research needs of the global community
- WHO/NIAID/BMGF Global Vaccine & Immunization Research Forum (2014 -)
 - The complete spectrum of research and innovation in relation to vaccines & immunization with reference to the Global Vaccine Action Plan (GVAP).

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- Convened jointly by BMGF, NIAID and WHO
- Participation: ~200 individuals affiliated with private and public organizations from developed and developing countries
- GVIRF agenda developed by SoC and secretariat to:
 - track GVAP R&D agenda progress within the M&E and Accountability Framework;
 - identify opportunities and challenges for the vaccine and immunization R&D community;
 - build and strengthen a research community networking opportunity; and
 - facilitate inclusion of other stakeholders in the development and implementation of an R&D agenda.

R&D Goals and Indicators of the GVAP



Strategic Objective 6: Country, Regional and Global R&D Innovations Maximize the Benefits of Immunization

Indicator	Target	Progress
(6.1) Progress towards the development of HIV, TB and malaria vaccines	Proof of concept for a vaccine that shows >75% efficacy	Tracking of clinical trial databases and narrative qualitative report
(6.2) Progress towards a universal influenza vaccine	At least one vaccine providing broad spectrum protection against Influenza A is licensed.	Tracking of clinical trial databases and narrative qualitative report
(6.3) Progress towards institutional and technical capacity to carry out vaccine clinical trials	Every region has a solid base of competent countries	Review of clinical trials registry platform

R&D Goals and Indicators of the GVAP



Goal 4: Develop and Introduce New and Improved Vaccines and Technologies

Indicator	Target	Progress
(4.1) Licensure and launch of vaccine(s) against one or more major, currently non-vaccine preventable disease	One or more vaccines licensed and launched by a functional NRA	NRA surveys and qualitative reports on incremental progress
(4.2) Licensure and launch of at least one platform delivery technology	One or more delivery technology licensed and launched by a functional NRA	NRA surveys and qualitative reports on incremental progress

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- Day 1 Theme: Vaccine Development
- Keynote: A.S. Fauci (NIAID)
- Plenary Sessions:
 - Develop new & improved vaccines (SO6.1)
 - Regulatory & public health challenges for vaccines inducing modest efficacy (G4.1)
- Workshops:
 - Towards the development of a universal influenza vaccine (S06.2)
 - Preferred product characteristics (PPC) as a way to guide development of products (G4.1)
 - Vaccines against Neglected Infectious Diseases (G4.1)
- Plenary Session:
 - Developing next generation vaccines: defining the improvements needed and evaluating their potential (G4.1)



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- Day 2 Theme: Implementation Research
- Keynote: M. Chan (WHO)
- Plenary Session:
 - Research for universal coverage and immunization in the post-MDG poverty reduction agenda (G5, S02, S03)

Workshops:

- How to optimize immunization coverage? Case study of measlesrubella vaccination (G2.2, G2.3, SO4.4)
- Research capacity strengthening to foster implementation research in developing countries (SO6.3)
- Innovation in vaccine delivery and presentation: how can technological advances increase program performance?(G4.2)

Plenary Sessions:

- Research to improve monitoring and evaluation of immunization programmes (SO4)
- Protection of pregnant women, neonates and infants by maternal immunization (G4.1)



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- Keynote: T. Mundel (BMGF)
- Plenary Session:
 - Innovative vaccine research: the point of view of pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies (G4)
- Workshops:
 - Contributions of regulatory science to vaccine access (SO5, G4))
 - How can recent technological advances in vaccinomics and systems vaccinology accelerate next-generation vaccine development? (G4.1)
- Plenary Session:
 - Closing comments

