



HIV-TB-HCV: EU-Russia cooperation results

15 June 2021, 9:00 – 16:00 CEST

Online meeting organised by the CARE Consortium*

Main objective: to present and discuss outcomes and findings from CARE Common Action and other projects and initiatives in the frame of recent collaborative research in the WHO European Region.

Participants: CARE, ARREST-TB, CARE External Scientific Advisory Board, CARE External Ethics Review Board, Russian experts, NDPHS, Russian Ministry of Health, Russian Ministry of Science and Higher Education, EC, EU Delegation to the Russian Federation.

Meeting call in details:

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***The meeting will be held in English, times are indicated in CEST time zone.**

15 June – 9:00-16:00 CEST		
Meeting room open from 08:45		
9:00 – 10:45	Welcome & TB Research Session	Moderators
9:00 – 9:10	Greetings & overview of the day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alessandra Martini, EC Policy officer – Infectious Diseases Representative of the Russian Ministry of Health or Ministry of Science and High Education (tbc) 	Marieke van der Werf [<i>Head of Disease Programme STI, Blood-Borne Viruses and TB, ECDC</i>] Petr Yablonski [<i>St Petersburg University</i>]
9:10 – 9:20	Novel diagnostic approaches in TB and MDR-TB and biomarkers of treatment response: results from the CARE project and future perspectives - Francis Drobniowski [<i>Imperial College London</i>]	
9:20 – 9:35	Open Discussion	
9:35 – 9:45	Genotypic prediction of tuberculosis drug resistance and implementation of effective MDR-TB management: results from the CARE project and future perspectives - Jan Heyckendorf & Matthias Merker [<i>Research Center Borstel</i>]	
9:45 – 10:00	Open Discussion	
10:00 – 10:10	Break	
10:10 – 10:20	Characterization of mutations in <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> strains associated with drug resistance based on genome-wide sequencing data from the CARE project - Ekaterina Chernyaeva & Mikhail Rotkevich [<i>Research institute of phthisiopulmonology,</i>	



10:20 – 10:35	<i>St Petersburg]</i> <i>Open Discussion</i>	
10:35 – 10:45	The importance of collaborations for Accurate, Rapid, Robust & Economical Diagnostic Technologies for Tuberculosis (ARREST-TB) – Seshasailam Venkateswaran [University of Edinburgh]	
10:45 – 11:00	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 13:15	HIV & HCV Research Session	Moderators
11:30 – 11:50	HIV molecular epidemiology and new treatment strategies in Russia and Eastern Europe: results of the research in CARE. Francesco Saladini [University of Siena] & Anastasia Antonova [FSBI Gamaleya]	Antons Mozalevskis [WHO Regional Office for Europe]
11:50 – 12:05	Future perspectives. Anders Sönnnerborg [Karolinska Institutet]	Francesca Incardona [EuResist Network]
12:15 – 12:25	HIV cascade of care and factors associated with viral suppression in people living with HIV in Eastern Europe: first results from CARE and future perspectives of the genetic studies - Olga Fursa [CHIP/REGIONH]	
12:25 – 12:35	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
12:05 – 12:15	<i>Break</i>	
12:35 – 12:45	Viral hepatitis C diagnosis and treatment coverage in the prospective cohort of HIV/HCV co-infected persons from Ukraine and Russia: results from CARE and future perspectives – Olga Fursa [CHIP/REGIONH]	Marina Bobkova, [FSBI Gamaleya]
12:45 – 12:55	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
12:55 – 13:05	Factors associated with sustained virologic response in HCV infected individuals: results from the CARE meta-analysis – Lars Peters [CHIP/REGIONH]	
13:05 – 13:15	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
13:15 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>	
14:00 – 16:00	Final session & Panel discussion	Moderators
14:00 – 15:45	Panel discussion: “Perspectives and impact of the scientific cooperation for addressing HIV, TB and HCV epidemics and other infections as SARS-COV-2 in the WHO European Region” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vladimir Chulanov, Head of the Center for viral hepatitis monitoring Nicole Simone Seguy, WHO Regional Office for Europe Eugeny Voronin, Republican Clinical Hospital of Infectious Diseases (St. Petersburg) Silvia Bertagnolio, Medical Officer WHO, Head of HIV resistance programme 	Jens Lundgren [CHIP/REGIONH] Vadim Pokrovsky [Federal Center for the Prevention and Control of the Spread of AIDS]

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Georgy Bazykin, Head of the Laboratory of Molecular Evolution, Institute for Information Transmission Problems, Russian Academy of Sciences • Seshasalaim Venkateswaran, University of Edinburgh • Tuula Vasankari, Secretary General of the Finnish Lung Health Association, specialist in respiratory diseases, NDPHS 	
15:45 – 16:00	Closing remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anton Eremin, AIDS center, Moscow region • Richard Burger, EC Policy officer –International cooperation 	