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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

THIRD AMANET/MRTC WORKSHOP ON CLINICAL DATA MANAGEMENT FOR VACCINE TRIALS

Deadline for applications: 16 January 2008

Background

The participation of African institutions in clinical trials has traditionally been restricted to participant recruitment, protocol procedures through to data collection. The protocol development, data base design, data processing and analysis is typically done by the northern collaborators. There is need to redress this trend so that African institutions participate fully in clinical trials which are GCP compliant.

Since inception, the African Malaria Network Trust (AMANET) has been promoting the development and strengthening of sustainable capacity across African research institutions participating in R&D. Development of the data management capacity is one area of serious weakness that requires to be strengthened so that the clinical testing environment at African institutions is complete and meets relevant international standards. Two prior workshops in 2005 and 2006 have been organised for Data Managers from African sites participating in vaccine trials in collaboration with the Malaria Research and Training Centre (MRTC), Bamako, Mali. This is a call for a follow-on advanced and practical course targeting data managers from those centres and others that are participating in (or soon will) malaria vaccine trials. This course is based on use of Microsoft Access software in GCP compliant clinical trials.

The goals of this course include:

- To further equip African Data Managers so that they are able to handle the entire clinical trial data processing, respecting international standards of good clinical and data management practices;
- To provide advanced skills in Microsoft Access;
- Establishing remote or web based data processing systems;
- Foster networking and collaboration among African Clinical Data Managers;
- Create south to south support systems and technology transfer.

Venue

The workshop will be hosted and taught by the MRTC, University of Bamako Mali.

Timing

The workshop is intended to take five full days scheduled for 4-8 February 2008.

Who can apply?

African Data Managers currently working in centres undertaking or planning to undertake malaria vaccine trials. Candidates who attended the previous courses and those from centres being developed by AMANET will be given preference.

Sponsorship

Selected applicants will be awarded an AMANET sponsorship which covers economy class airfare, tuition, and meals. Visa and transit costs are not included.

How to apply

Interested persons should submit a complete application, which must include the following:

1. Curriculum vitae;
2. Summary of the research and role in current research (not more than 10 lines);
3. Show how this workshop would benefit you and your institution (not more than 10 lines);
4. Names and addresses of two referees (including their telephone numbers and email contacts), who you have requested to provide letters of recommendation, to be sent directly to the address below.

Please note that only applications meeting the above requirements will be considered.

Deadline for applications:

Applications must be received by **Wednesday, 16 January 2008**.

All applications should be submitted **by email** to:

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