



## Laboratory support for Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Africa

### Meeting of the Network of Buruli ulcer PCR Laboratories in Africa

*13-14 December 2021*  
*Centre Pasteur of Cameroon, Yaoundé*

### **VIRTUAL**

**11:00 – 14:00 daily, Yaoundé Time (*Central European Time*)**

### **ORGANIZERS**

**NTD Department, WHO Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland**

**American Leprosy Missions**

**Centre Pasteur of Cameroun**

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### **AGENDA**



Chair: Dr. Kingsley Asiedu		
Day	Plenary	Responsible
Monday, 13 December 2021 (Day 1):		
10h50-11h00	Arrival of participants and registration ( <i>zoom login</i> )	All
11h00-11h20	Opening remarks Welcome speech of CPC and ALM	Dr. Sara Eyangoh (CPC) Dr. Sundeep C. (ALM)
11h20-11h50	WHO NTD DTAG (Diagnostic Technical Advisory Group) update	Dr. Daniel Argaw DAGNE (WHO)
<b>11h50-11h55</b>	<b><i>Family photograph</i></b>	All
11h55-12h20	Updates on the BU laboratory network activities – summary of activities carried out so far from the July 2020 meeting	Dr. Sara Eyangoh/ Mr. Numfor Hycenth
12h20-12h40	Updates on the yaws EDTCP project	Dr. Serges Tchatchouang (CPC)
12h40-13h05	Plan for standardization of the yaws PCR procedures and implementation of the EQA program for yaws diagnosis	Dr. Sascha Knauf
<b>13h05-13h10</b>	<b><i>Break</i></b>	<b><i>All</i></b>
13h10-13h40	Updates on research	Dr. Dziedzom K. (FIND) Dr. Michael Frimpong (KCCR)
13h40-14h00	Discussion and closing	Dr. Kingsley Asiedu (WHO)
Tuesday, 14 December 2021 (Day 2):		
11h00-12h15	Presentation of network laboratory activities 2021 and plans for 2022. Presentation + discussion: 5 mins	Network Labs / Numfor
12h15-12h45	Discussion on perspectives for collaboratives studies	Dr. Gisela Bretzel Dr. Estelle Marion
<b>12h45-13h00</b>	<b><i>Break</i></b>	<b><i>All</i></b>
13h00-13h30	Reflection on the transition from BU-Lab Network to skin NTD Lab Network – Planned activities	Dr. Kingsley Asiedu Dr. Sara Eyangoh
13h30-14h00	Recommendations and Closing remarks	Dr. Sara Eyangoh (CPC) Dr. Sundeep C. (ALM)