# **AFRAVIH**

Francophone Alliance of Healthcare Actors against **HIV** and Chronic & Emerging Viral Infections

2023 - 2024

Programme



# AFRAVIH'S ACTIVITIES 2023/2024

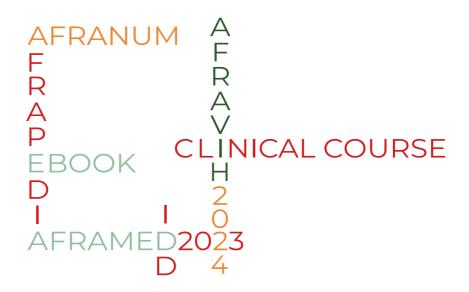
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### **AFRAVIH's Goals:**

- Boost international action against HIV and chronic & emerging viral infections by French-speaking actors.
- Ensure quality, equitable care in both the developed and developing worlds based on the principles of universality, best practices and treatment access for all.



### **AFRAVIH's Activities:**

- Foster dialogue among healthcare stakeholders
- Develop and support educational activities
- Share scientific expertise
- Promote research
- Build a French-speaking network of healthcare actors fighting HIV, hepatitis and other chronic & emerging viral infections
- Boost best treatment and prevention practices
- Improve and expand sexual health

AFRAVIH Working Board

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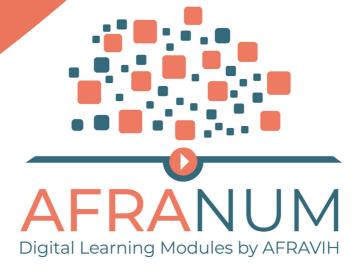
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As the modern world is also online, where distance no longer matters, AFRAVIH introduced digital learning modules on its key topics, available to all its members in the francophone - and francophile! - world.

Each of these 120-minute modules offer three 20-minute presentations followed by 20 minutes of Q&As. Since 2021, 16 modules have been organised.

# These modules are:

- structured around AFRAVIH's four main themes:
  - HIV infection Sexual Health
  - Hepatitis B and C
- Emerging Diseases
- Provided by French-speaking experts
- Offered free of charge subject to registration
- Interactive with O&A sessions
- Available for replay

- Around 130 participants per module
- From 20 different countries

# **AFRANUM Key Topics**

COVID-19, STIs, HIV and Viral hepatitis treatment updates, key populations and PrEP, emerging diseases, testing...





http://www.afravih.org/afranum

# **UPCOMING**



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Antimicrobial resistance

25 May 2023

5 - 7 pm

Antibiotic resistance in developing countries: what data are we missing?

Can best practice rules be applied universally?

How to build a successful best practice plan

16

Best of 2023 CROI & IAS

9 Oct. 2023

5 - 7 pm

Virological aspects

Clinical and prevention aspects

Pharmacological aspects

**17** 

Innovative long-acting drugs

7 Dec. 2023

5 - 7 pm

Long-acting drugs for prevention

Real life

Long-acting drug data

Patient preferences

18

Opportunistic infections Update

25 Jan. 2024

5 - 7 pm

Cryptococosis

Tuberculosis

Vaccination update

# International Digital Degree





# INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL DEGREE

HIV, Viral Hepatitis, Sexual Health & Emerging Diseases

Sorbonne-Université | AFRAVIH

First 100% distancelearning University Degree on HIV, Viral hepatitis, Sexual Health and Emerging Diseases French-speaking
Faculty of experts in
HIV, Sexual Health
and Viral & Emerging
diseases from both
developed and
developing countries

A Sorbonne University qualification in collaboration with AFRAVIH First Edition 2021 - 2022

Second Edition 2022 - 2023

Third Edition 2023 - 2024

Module 1. Virological and Immunological Aspects of HIV

Module 2. Epidemiology

**Module 3.** Clinical Aspects of HIV Infection

Module 4 ARV Treatment Strategies

**Module 5.** Complications and Comorbidities

Module 6. Treatment of HIV for

Module 7. Liver Comorbidities

**Module 8.** Prevention of HIV Infection and Sexual Health



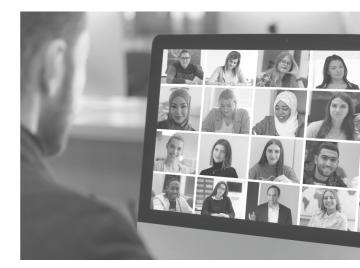
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# Primary objective

Offer high-level, multidisciplinary training in comprehensive care for people living with HIV and chronic & emerging viral infections.

# Unique Aspects of this Degree

The organisers' experience and acknowledged expertise in HIV and chronic as well as emerging viral infections are a hallmark of the level of excellence of this diploma, the only one of its kind in the Francophone world.



# Executive Directors

- Prof Karine Lacombe (Sorbonne University, Paris)
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- Prof Gilles Wandeler (University of Bern)

# Key figures from the Class of 2023

34 students accepted

16 countries represented

**64** faculty members



# Clinical Research Course



Video from the 2023 Course

The Clinical Research Course is a 4-day course for 40 to 50 French-speaking participants from North and Sub-Saharan Africa. Selected participants will have all their expenses covered (registration, full board and lodging, transport).

# **Course Description**

The Course aims to teach clinical and pharmaceutical practitioners the knowledge essential for clinical research. The intensive 4-day course offers **theoretical training** in the fundamentals of clinical research as well as **workshops**.

The **theoretical training** consists in plenary methodology sessions on the following topics:

- The different types of clinical research studies
- How to formulate and justify a research question
- Define the research objectives
- Draw up a protocol
- Understand the general analytical basis of a study

The **workshops** enable participants to apply concepts learned or revised in the plenary sessions to draw up a clinical research protocol:

- Participants are divided into groups of 6 to 8, coordinated by a clinician and methodologist duo
- Over 3 days, each group will be required to design, draw up and present a clinical research protocol





Class of 2023

# Protocols drawn up by the Class of 2023

#### **LECADO**

Open randomised multicentre clinical trial comparing the virological effectiveness of a standard protocol cabotegravir-lenecapavir combination in adolescents living with HIV in virological failure in Sub-Saharan Africa

#### PrEP-FUDI

Randomised open interventional multi-centre study of the acceptability and feasibility of PrEP for female injectable drug users in Sub-Saharan Africa

## **TRAME-HB**

Randomised multi-centre comparative study with two parallel unblinded arms to measure the effectiveness of a test and treat approach compared to the WHO's HBV mother-to-child transmission prevention strategy in West and Central Africa

#### **CABORIHB**

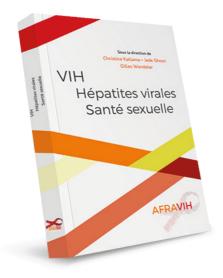
Switch study in an African context: cabotegravir/rilpivirine vs. tenofovir/lamivudine/ dolutegravir in HIV/HBV coinfected patients who are inactive HBV carriers



Clinical Research Course - Senegal, April 2023

# AFRAVIH eBook

www.livre-afravih.org



In 2020, AFRAVIH published "HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health".

This book provides an overview of knowledge, strategies and plans of action to be applied to three key public health issues: HIV, hepatitis and sexual health, an essential aspect of overall health. The interconnectedness of these three global challenges which concern all of humanity raises global health questions.

# Coordinated by:



**Prof Christine Katlama** 



**Prof Jade Ghosn** 



**Prof Gilles Wandeler** 

- Written by a group of over 190 French-speaking experts from 17 countries
- Available in paper as well as digital formats, downloadable free of charge
- By December 2022, the AFRAVIH eBook had been downloaded more than 3000 times in 87 countries, with 300 paper copies sold.

# TABLE OF CONTENTS



- Epidemiology of HIV infection
- HIV virology and immunology
- · Clinical manifestations of HIV infection and AIDS
- Treatment of HIV infection
- Conception, pregnancy and parenthood
- · HIV infection in children
- HIV infection comorbidities
- Psychosocial aspects of living with HIV
- HIV prevention
- Particularities of the HIV epidemic in developing countries
- · HIV and global health



- Hepatitis B epidemiology and prevention through vaccination
- · Immunological and virological aspects of hepatitis B
- HBV infection: Hepatic and extrahepatic manifestations
- · Hepatitis B treatment
- · Prevention of perinatal HBV transmission
- · Hepatitis Delta
- · Hepatitis C epidemiology and prevention
- · Immunological and virological aspects of hepatitis C
- · Clinical manifestations of HCV infection
- · Hepatitis C treatment
- · What happens after HCV cure?
- · Cirrhosis decompensation and liver transplants
- Towards elimination of hepatitis B & C



- Sexual health politics
- · Sexually transmitted infections
- · Contraception and HIV
- · Key populations and discrimination
- Female sexual mutilation

Second edition of the AFRAVIH E-Book out soon...

# AFRAPEDIA

Understanding HIV, viral hepatitis, emerging diseases and sexual health

www.afrapedia.org



Following the success of the AFRAVIH eBook published in 2020, we decided to continue this endeavour with AFRAPEDIA, a multimedia digital publication available free of charge for the general public (non-medical community members).

# **AFRAPEDIA** presents state-of-the-art information on:

- HIV
- Hepatitis
- Sexual Health
- Emerging Deseases

By late 2023, the AFRAPEDIA platform had received **52 000 views** from **133 countries** 

### **AFRAPEDIA** is also:

- Available free of charge on www.afrapedia.org
- Exportable in PDF format
- Written by a community of AFRAVIH authors, all Frenchspeaking experts in HIV, hepatitis, sexual health and emerging diseases
- All the AFRAPEDIA videos (talks, interviews, etc.) are also available on our YouTube channel

# **AFRAPEDIA Streering Committee**



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# AFRAPEDIA KEY TOPICS



- HIV milestones
- What is HIV?
- How is HIV transmitted?
- Populations vulnerable to HIV
- · HIV testing strategies
- Treating HIV infection
- · Immune defences and vaccination against HIV
- · HIV in children
- Psychological and social impact of HIV
- What does ending AIDS imply?
- · HIV prevention
- PrFP
- Feedback from HIV positive people
- ..



- Viral hepatitis around the world
- · Introduction to viral hepatitis
- · Natural history: How hepatitis has evolved
- · Viral Hepatitis B & C: primary cause of liver cancer
- Viral hepatitis from the point of view of communities: knowledge and impressions
- ..



# **SEXUAL HEALTH**

- Know your body
- · Desire, pleasure and consent
- · Puberty and sexualisation
- · Sex education
- · Male and female sexual and reproductive health
- Sexual dysfunction
- · ISTs: diagnosis, treatment & prevention
- · HPV
- ..

# Selected extracts...

"The clitoris saga, better than Star Wars!"

"In short, the clitoris is an empire, and the only human organ whose sole function is pleasure, no less..."



# AFRAMED 2023

aframed2023.org

By bringing together key medical, research and community stakeholders in French-speaking Mediterranean countries, this 5<sup>th</sup> **AFRAMED** conference aims to boost educational activities, share expertise and expand the French-speaking network of actors involved in HIV, hepatitis, emerging diseases and sexual health in the Mediterranean area and beyond, including the Arabian peninsula.

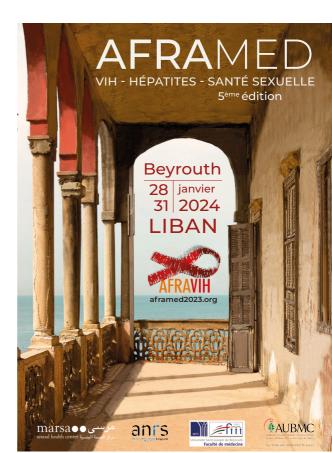
The French-speaking Mediterranean region is rallying now more than ever to:

- Boost access to treatment and care for HIV, hepatitis and emerging diseases
- Promote sexual health
- Raise awareness among healthcare professionals
- Enhance skills and streamline care

# **Key Topics:**

- HIV: Prevention, Testing, Treatment
- Living with HIV long term
- COVID-19 and Emerging Diseases
- Key/Vulnerable populations
- Hepatitis
- Community Engagement
- Human Rights
- Sexual Health

Sponsorship opportunities available on request



# **Previous AFRAMED conferences**

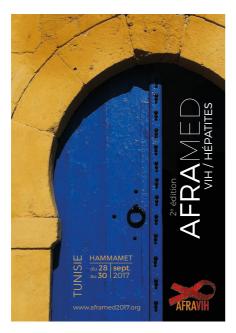


# 1er Colloque Francophone-Méditerranée VIH / Hépatites



du Vendredi 27 au Dimanche 29 Mars 2015 Alger

Algeria - 2015



Tunisia - 2017



Morocco - 2019



Tunisia - 2021

# AFRAVIH 2024

# 12<sup>th</sup> International Francophone Conference on HIV, Hepatitis, Sexual Health & Emerging Diseases AFRAVIH 2024

The international AFRAVIH conference is a major meeting for French-speaking actors involved in HIV, hepatitis, emerging viruses and sexual health. Every two years, it draws over 1200 doctors, healthcare professionals and community members involved in this fight.

For the AFRAMED 2023 and AFRAVIH 2024 conferences, in line with its founding goal to share and pass down knowledge to younger generations of practitioners and healthcare actors, AFRAVIH offers a **Pre-conference course on HIV, Hepatitis and Sexual Health** as well as an **Educational support programme**.



Pre-conference Courses on HIV, Hepatitis and Sexual Health

The **Pre-conference courses** offer practical training through clinical cases presented by senior experts in their field and accompanied by question & answer sessions. These courses, geared at younger practitioners, offer an overview of the key aspects of HIV, hepatitis and sexual healthcare before the official scientific programme begins.

Educational Support Programme

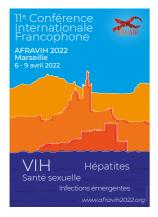
**OBJECTIVE:** Enable recipients to present their work as part of the conference programme.

This programme is geared at Frenchspeaking healthcare actors, particularly in developing countries, involved in HIV, hepatitis, sexual health and emerging diseases.

Sponsorship opportunities available on request

www.afravih2024.org

# **Previous AFRAVIH Conferences...**



Marseilles - 2022



Connected AFRAVIH 2020



Bordeaux - 2018



Brussels - 2016



Montpellier - 2014



Geneva - 2012



Casablanca - 2010



Paris - 2007

# **SPONSORS**

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# **AFRAVIH 2022 SPONSORS**





























































# CANADA

# University Affiliations of the AFRAVIH Faculty



































# **Testimonials**

"I am very happy to have been selected. I really appreciate the presentations and discussions, and taking part in the course as a whole... The level is really high, just like the AFRAVIH and AFRAMED conferences I have attended. It is a real pleasure to learn and meet people, it is really excellent."



Clinical Research Course student



"I'm a fan of AFRAVIH, I've been to nearly all the conferences and I'm always struck by the energy of the conference itself. It's a unique family of minds and action coming together!"

Philippe Duneton (Executive Director, UNITAID) on the AFRAVIH Conference

"Ifound the Course very interesting, particularly on how to design a research project. We learnt how to put forward a research hypothesis, see its limitations and work as a group. It was very enriching."



Clinical Research Course student



Clinical Research Course student

"A huge thank you to all at AFRAVIH for this opportunity to exchange ideas, especially in such a friendly atmosphere, and for the high-level training we received. I really loved it and learned a lot."

# Interview excerpts AFRAVIH 2022





Marie Préau - speaker at AFRAVIH 2022

"This year's conference was even more international than usual, offering different, complementary outlooks. There were far more community organisations than previous years and a lot more social science topics. As a researcher in social sciences, this is a real bonus! The presentations were a lot more multidisciplinary, offering comparative viewpoints. There is great interaction between speakers and the audience too, so we really get the impression progress has been made."

"I am very happy to be back in a real conference again. It's a real pleasure to see that people have not lost hope, that they are back in person. The Conference itself is very well organised and increasingly innovative. The scientific programme offers ground-breaking, highly interesting talks. We are very proud of this conference and feel sure it will draw more and more of the younger generation in the future."



Almoustapha Maiga - Member of the AFRAVIH 2022 Scientific Committee



