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FAO support in implementation of Zero by 30 in Africa

Africa Regional Seminar on Rabies

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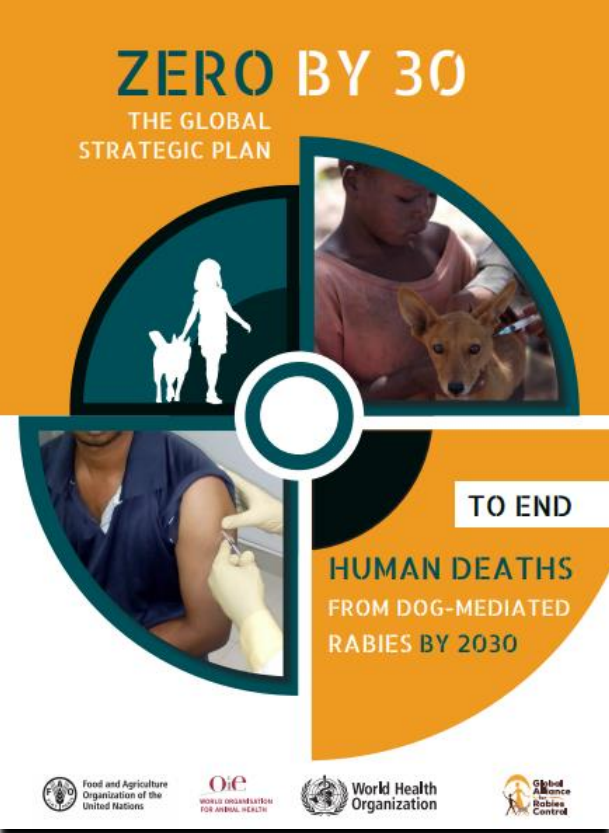
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Global strategic plan to end human deaths from dog-mediated rabies by 2030

3 objectives

- Reduce the risk of human rabies deaths;
- Provide guidance and data ;
- Sustain commitment and resources



3 phases

Start-up Finalize tools
Prepare elimination plans
Strengthen OH

2018-2020

Scale-up Engage more endemic countries
Draw lessons from past experiences

2021-2025

Mop up Engage the remaining endemic countries
Continued efforts towards communities

2026-2030



Global

Tripartite, UAR, GF-TADs
Reference laboratories/centers

Africa

IBAR/RECs/Regional QPT/Regional Animal Health Networks

National

OH platforms, DVS- TWGs- Academia

Sub-national

OH
Municipalities
Private sector



World Organisation for Animal Health
Founded as OIE



AFRICAN UNION
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World Health Organization



GF-TADs
GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE PROGRESSIVE CONTROL OF TRANSBOUNDARY ANIMAL DISEASES



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WORLD ORGANISATION FOR ANIMAL HEALTH



IZSV
Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale delle Venezie



Institut Pasteur



Global Alliance for Rabies Control





Inform about the “Zero by 30” Global Strategic Plan (UAR, 2015)

Objectives, implementation tools and approach

Join the call for Action



Initiate/scale-up the use of existing tools, technologies, approaches and techniques

Assessment and Surveillance tools, lab diagnosis, online courses, IBCM, vaccine bank



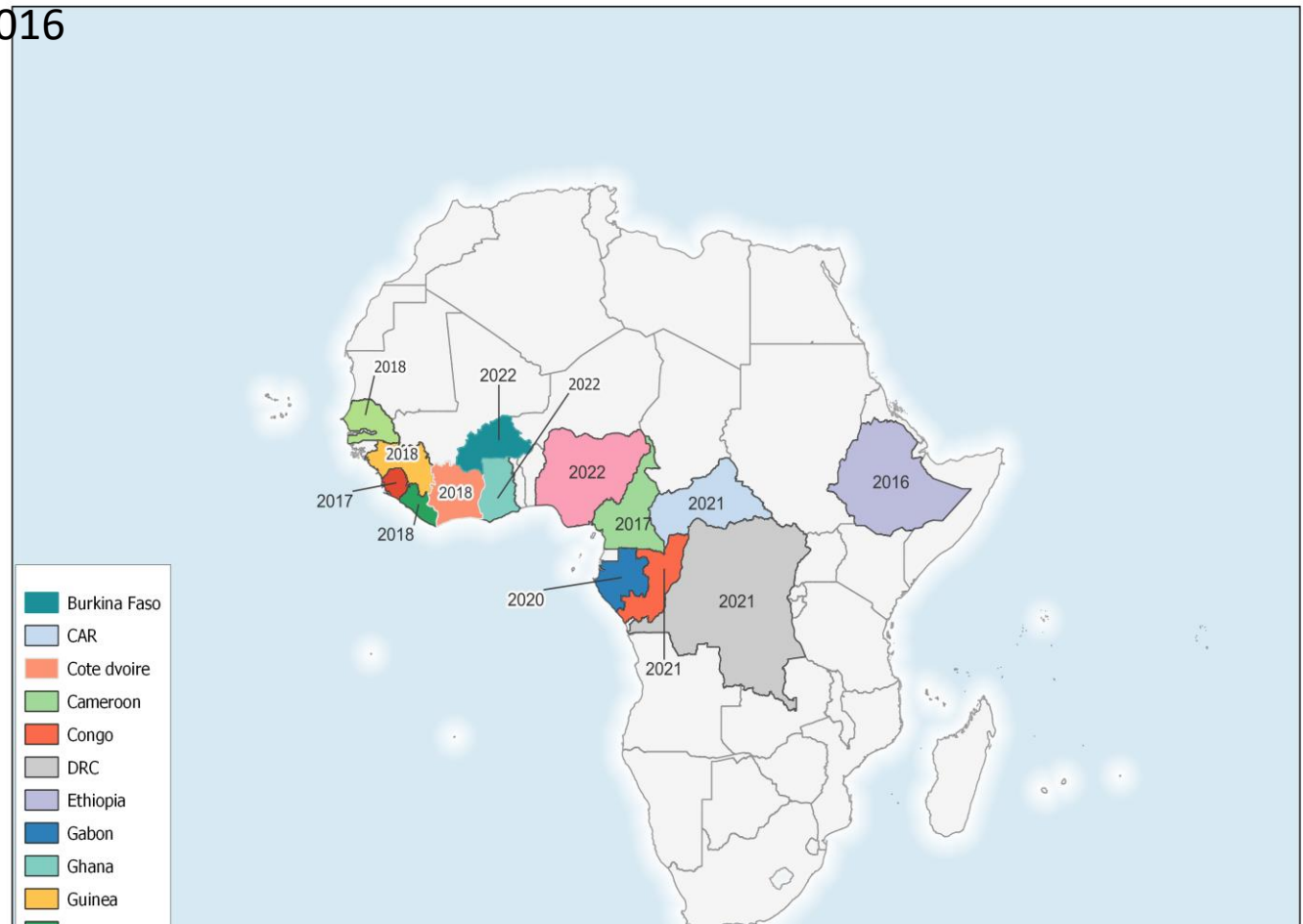
Develop a roadmap for the preparation of a multisectoral rabies control programme

Country-specific context and One Health

Coordinated resources mobilization efforts

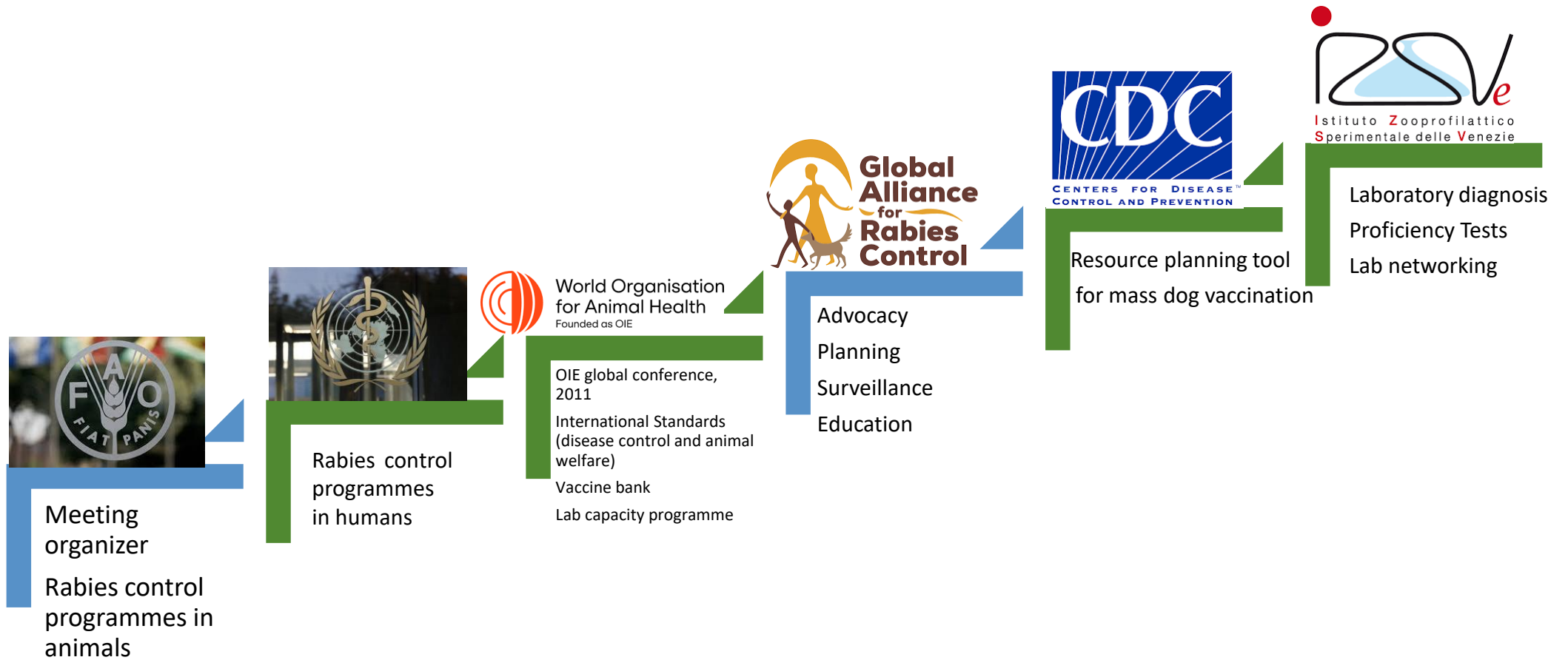
Countries and partners involved

- Stakeholders' meetings were organized between 2016 and 2022
- Target countries (map)
- **Participants included**
 - AH sector
 - Academia
 - Public Health
 - Municipalities
 - NGOs
 - UAR partners
 - Other UN agencies such as UNICEF
 - CDC
 - Research Institutions
 - Veterinary Associations





Key partners involved and shared responsibilities





Multisectoral and multi-agency engagement



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ATELIER DE LANCEMENT DU PROJET SOUS-REGIONAL SUR LE "CONTROLE DURABLE DE LA RAGE HUMAINE TRANSMISE PAR LES CHIENS EN AFRIQUE CENTRALE"

Hôtel Boulevard, Libreville-Gabon
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Ministère des Ressources Animales et Halieutique
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Programme National de Lutte Intégrée contre la Rage en Côte d'Ivoire [2018-2030]

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**GHANA
RABIES CONTROL
AND PREVENTION
ACTION PLAN**
2018 - 2030

Republic of Senegal
Un Peuple - Un But - Une Foi



PLAN DE CONTROLE ET D'ELIMINATION DE LA RAGE

Septembre 2018



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**NATIONAL RABIES
CONTROL AND
ELIMINATION STRATEGY**
2018 - 2030 GC

Joint Ministry of Health, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries,
Ministry of Culture and Tourism, Urban Agriculture Bureaus and
Ministry of Health Implementation Plan

Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

National strategic plan to eliminate dog-mediated rabies in Sierra Leone

Republic of Sierra Leone



Ministry of Agriculture

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Ministry of Health and Sanitation



Foreword

Globally, over 60,000 human deaths are attributed to rabies annually. Africa and Asia have the highest burden, with tens of millions of exposures, and over 95% of mortalities due to domestic dog encounters. Human deaths due to rabies can be prevented with appropriate knowledge and access to rabies post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP). Consistent with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Tripartite leadership of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), and the World Health Organization (WHO) partnered to support endemic countries towards eliminating canine-mediated rabies by 2030. A One Health approach is envisioned to improve the quality of data on the occurrence of rabies in humans and animals, provide better access to PEP for dog bite victims, enhance community education, and undertake mass dog vaccinations. To this end, with the support of the OIE through the rabies component of the Regional Disease Surveillance Systems Enhancement (REDISSE) project, the Ministry of Agriculture in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Sanitation under the One Health Technical Committee (OHTC) of Sierra Leone, developed a National Strategic Plan (NSP). The plan outlines activities around the implementation of Integrated Bite Case Management (IBCM), increasing rabies case detection, improving human PEP, public awareness creation, controlling the number of free-roaming dogs, and enhancing rabies surveillance system for early detection through improved spaces, supplies, manpower and training. Research will focus on various aspects of rabies, including understanding hotspot locations, factors driving viral perpetuation, and dog population dynamics. Commitment and resources will be sustained through the engagement of stakeholders and collaboration with the regional Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and International Organizations, such as OIE, WHO, FAO and USAID, towards the implementation of the NSP. As one of the priority zoonotic diseases, the National One Health Platform in Sierra Leone is committed to making canine rabies a vestige of the past.

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Outcomes of national rabies stakeholder meetings

1. A comprehensive assessment of countries activities on rabies control
2. Key national stakeholders exposed to existing tools and available assessment and information resources
3. Estimated resources required to eliminate rabies using country specific inputs
4. Roles and responsibilities clarified for the preparation and implementation of the national rabies control plan
5. Countries 'commitment to achieve rabies elimination
6. Strategic interventions aligned with global recommendations

A step forward to inform country-level decision making towards a multi sectoral approach for rabies elimination

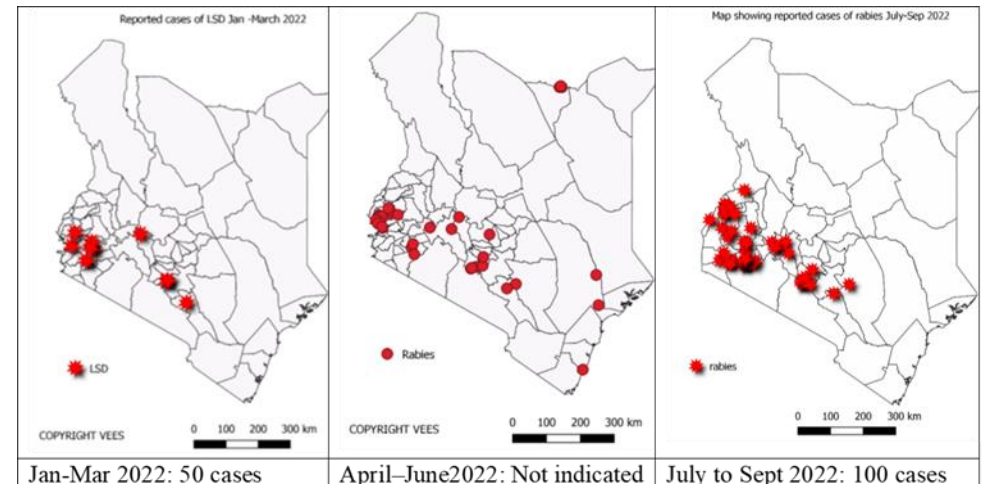
Surveillance and risk communication

Examples of enhanced rabies surveillance achievements

- Risk maps prepared
- Real-time surveillance through mobile notification systems operationalized
- Dog population management guidelines developed

Examples of RCCE in selected countries

- Communication and visibility materials such as posters, T-shirts during the WRDs in many countries alongside the WRD
- **Ghana** - Risk communication and social behavior changes materials developed for general public in 2022
- **Tanzania**
 - Sensitized 42,519 students in same areas where vaccinations were done
 - Community awareness creation; radios (17), television (11) and Newspapers (10)



Example of rabies disease reports generated by the Kenya bios-surveillance system (KABS)



Laboratory diagnostic capacities





Proficiency Tests

Name of the Laboratory

Countries	Name of the Laboratory
Burkina Faso	Laboratoire National d'Élevage (LNE)
Cameroon (1)	Laboratoire National Vétérinaire (LANAVET) Garoua
Cameroon (2)	LANAVET Annexe Yaoundé
Chad	Institut de Recherche en Elevage pour le Développement (IRED)
DRC	Laboratoire Vétérinaire (Labovet) de Kinshasa
Ethiopia	Ethiopian Public Health Institute
Ghana	Accra Veterinary Laboratory
Guinea (1)	Laboratoire Central de Diagnostic Vétérinaire (LCVD) Conakry
Guinea (2)	Laboratoire Régional Vétérinaire de Kankan
Guinea (3)	Laboratoire Régional Vétérinaire de Labé
Ivory Coast	Laboratoire central vétérinaire de Bingerville (LCVB)
Kenya	Central Veterinary Laboratories- Kabete
Liberia	Leon Quist Ledlum Central Veterinary diagnostic Laboratory (CVDL)
Mali	Laboratoire Central Vétérinaire du Mali, Bamako
Niger	Laboratoire Central de l'Élevage (LABOCEL)
Nigeria	National Veterinary Research Institute (NVRI)
Senegal	Laboratoire National de l'Élevage et de Recherches Vétérinaires (LNERV)
Sierra Leone	Central Veterinary Laboratory Teko, Freetown
Tanzania	Tanzania Veterinary Laboratory Agency, Temeke
Uganda	National Animal Disease Diagnostics and Epidemiology Centre (NADDEC)

Risk mitigation and response

Mass vaccination campaigns in selected countries in 2022

- Burkina Faso
- Cote d'Ivoire : 100, 000 dogs
- Ethiopia : over 110,000 (since 2021)
- Ghana: 2000 dogs
- Guinea: 3800 dogs
- Mozambique : 1,194
- Senegal: 1000 dogs
- Sierra Leone : 4,078 dogs and cats
- Tanzania: 59,521 dogs and 1579 cats
- Zanzibar: 4,118 dogs and 305 cats



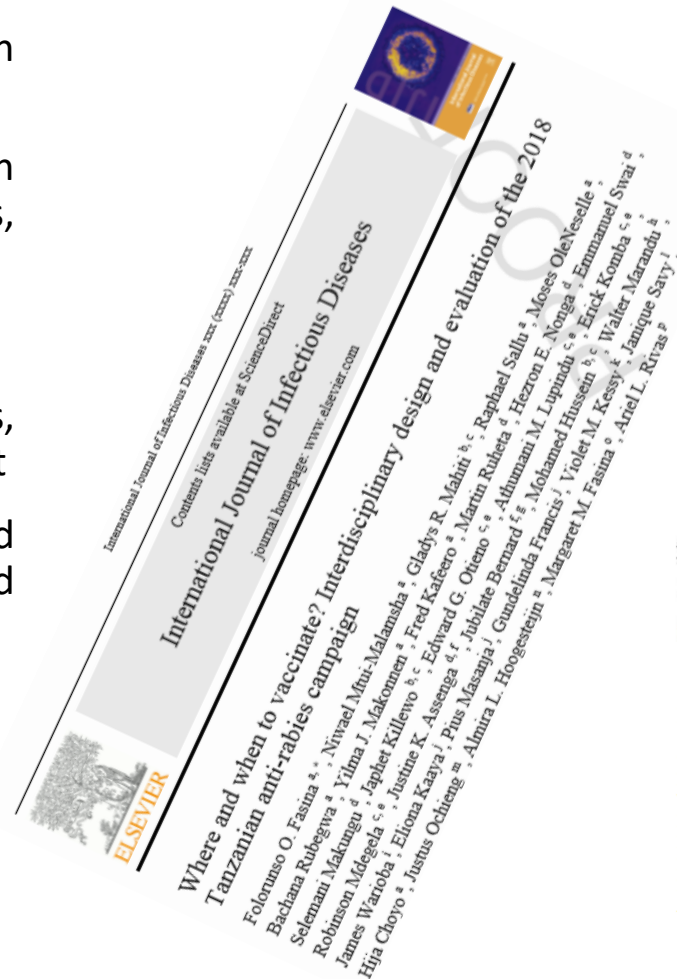
Dr Fikru Regassa, State Minister of Agriculture launching dog vaccination campaigns in Southern Ethiopia, October 2021



Networking, knowledge generation and sharing

Rabies TWGs

- Share local expertise and report data through regional platforms
- Provide opportunities to expand information on rabies control/elimination activities, practices and achievements
- **Studies by ISAVET trainees**
- Characterization of human dog bites, temporal-spatial distribution and management
- Assessment of Knowledge, Attitude and Practices and Canine Rabies Prevention and Control
- **Articles**
- Support knowledge generation and sharing
- Provide visibility to local experts

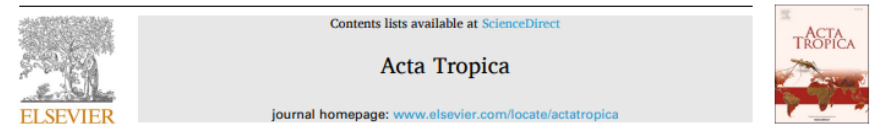


RESEARCH ARTICLE

An inter-laboratory trial as a tool to increase rabies diagnostic capabilities of Sub-Saharan African Veterinary laboratories

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Dog rabies control in West and Central Africa: A review

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Some key challenges and suggested way forward

- Limited quality data on disease burden
- Dog population management
- Limited community awareness
- Limited cross-border coordination on animal movement control
- Country engagement to finance SARE plans

- Review the zero by 30 framework (global)
- Establish Monitoring and evaluation mechanisms on progress towards achieving Zero by 30 goals at all levels
- Support advocacy at both national and sub-national levels
- Enhance private sector engagement
- Leverage ongoing One Health dynamics and consider involving parliamentary alliances to reposition Zero by 30 in national policy agendas



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