INNOVATIVE DIAGNOSIS AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR ALL

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INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

FIND, THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOR DIAGNOSTICS SEEKS TO ENSURE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO RELIABLE DIAGNOSIS AROUND THE WORLD

We connect countries and communities, funders, decisionmakers, healthcare providers and developers to spur diagnostic innovation and make testing an integral part of **sustainable**, **resilient health systems**

- Established in 2003 as a product development & delivery partnership
- Co-convener of the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator Diagnostic Pillar
- WHO Collaborating Centre for Laboratory Strengthening & Diagnostic Technology Evaluation
- WHO SAGE-IVD member
 - ISO-certified quality management system for IVD clinical trial

2021 STRATEGY: EXPECTED IMPACT



Save 1 million lives

through accessible, quality diagnosis



Save US\$1 billion

in healthcare costs to patients and health systems



Empower 10+ countries

with diagnostic data to inform policy and care

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UNADDRESSED DIAGNOSTIC GAPS ARE MASSIVE



Basic diagnostic capacity is available in only 1% of primary care clinics and 14% of hospitals in some LMICs¹

Appropriate tests do not exist for 60% of infectious agents with outbreak potential² and 50% of the top 20 diseases responsible for most lives lost³

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¹Leslie et al. Bull World Health Organ 2017;95:738-748, http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.17.191916.

- ² Kelly-Cirino et al. *BMJ Glob Health* 2019;4:e001179. doi:10.1136/bmjgh-2018-001179
- ³ Pai et al. Analysis from Global Burden of Disease Report 2020

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CONTEXT: KEEPING THE PROMISE

Keeping the Promise:

Product Development Partnerships' Role in the New Age of Health Research and Product Development





1. PDPs are the global leaders in developing new health technologies where lack of traditional market incentives have stalled progress

- Since 2010, this coalition of PDPs have delivered 66 new health technologies treatments, vaccines, diagnostics, vector controls, and devices.
- Products have reached more than 2.4 billion people, mostly in LMICs
- Highlights include:
 - First ever drug approved for treatment of highly drug-resistant forms of tuberculosis
 - Single dose treatment to prevent relapse of *P. vivax* malaria
 - First all-oral cure for all stages of sleeping sickness.
- Advances are concentrated in diseases of poverty where investment and innovation have long been stagnant; market forces don't drive innovation in these fields

PDPs DELIVER

Many PDPs were established around the turn of the century. This past decade has seen the fruits of previous investment.

Products developed and marketed by PDPs featured in the report



2. PDP pipelines are robust and poised to deliver a significant number of innovative technologies in the near-term

- PDPs featured in the report have more than 375 potential new technologies in their pipelines
 - Approximately 25% of those products in late-stage development.
- Portfolios are built through diverse partnerships – across sectors and geographies
- Products in development stand to impact some of world's oldest and deadliest diseases, including those that disproportionately impact women and children



3. PDPs achieve impact by developing products appropriate for the people and contexts in which they will be used

- PDPs closely engage with local communities, care providers, researchers, and policy makers to ensure they are designing products for use in the settings where they are most needed
- Attributes to enable use in lowresource settings are prioritized
- This is the first step to driving widespread and equitable access to PDP-developed products



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PARTNERSHIP WITH GHIT & JAPANESE PARTNERS



ESTABLISHED TRACK RECORD WITH JAPANESE PARTNERS





SPOTLIGHT ON TB FUJIFILM SILVAMP TB LAM PAVED THE WAY TO A NEW GENERATION OF POINT-OF-CARE TB TESTS



HIV uninfected patients (n=372)

	Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)
FujiLAM	53.2% (43.9 to 62.2)	98.9% (96.7 to 99.6)
AlereLAM	10.8% (6.3 to 18.0)	92.3% (88.5 to 95.0)



Third generation LAM tests now in development, finally putting accurate, affordable and accessible POC testing for TB within reach

Source: Broger et al. J Clin Invest 2020; Broger et al, PLOS Med 2020

SPOTLIGHT ON SCHISTOSOMIASIS JAPANESE COLLABORATION PIVOTAL TO ADVANCING RAPID TESTS THAT WILL SUPPORT SCHISTOSOMIASIS CONTROL & ELIMINATION

SUPPORTING NATIONAL PROGRAMMES TO MONITOR THE IMPACT OF MASS DRUG ADMINISTRATION CAMPAIGNS AND PRECISION MAPPING EFFORTS



Circulating anodic antigens (CAA) are secreted by all species of schistosomes that are of public health importance, making it a particularly suitable target for schistosomiasis diagnostics. A laboratory-based test for CAA is available; however, in order to achieve optimal sensitivity, the test requires complex sample processing steps and a reader for detection. This project aims to bring CAA testing out of the laboratory and into community settings, by developing it into an RDT.

SPOTLIGHT ON BURULI ULCER GHIT INVESTMENT SUPPORTING DEVELOPMENT OF THE FIRST-EVER RAPID TEST FOR BURULI ULCER



WHO DTAG highlights Buruli ulcer as one of the 4 skin-NTDs that urgently needs new diagnostics to facilitate treatment

Early, accurate diagnosis and treatment can prevent painless infections becoming deep ulcers that lead to permanent disability With partners we have developed the first-ever RDT for Buruli ulcer, made possible by leveraging two innovations: monoclonal antibodies specific for mycolactone; and magnetic plasmonic nanoparticles

An RDT for Buruli ulcer will be key to:

- Meet the WHO NTD 2030 targets
- Enhance diagnosis at primary health centres and community levels
- Reduce turnaround time for result confirmation (1 hour instead of 1+ weeks)
- Improve early treatment following early confirmation
- Improve treatment monitoring and test of cure

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES & POTENTIAL COLLABORATIONS ACCELERATED BY COVID-19 ADVANCES



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CAD, artificial intelligence & machine learning

Quality diagnosis in areas without specialist healthcare workers

Mobile devices & connectivity

Reach the hard-to-reach; enable real-time monitoring of health status

Next-generation technologies (genomics, CRISPR) Sequencing for disease surveillance and rapid response

Wearables & home-use tools

Self-monitoring, early detection and ambulatory management

Manufacturing & tech transfer for LMICs

Build on COVID-19 capacity to enable affordable and accessible tests for NTDs, TB and malaria



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COVID-19 & DIAGNOSTICS

ACT-ACCELERATOR DIAGNOSTICS PILLAR IS WORKING TO HARNESS INNOVATION, SECURE ACCESS & DEPLOY AFFORDABLE, QUALITY POINT-OF-CARE TESTS

ACTaccelerator ACCESS TO COVID-19 TOOLS

To break chains of transmission

To enable targeted public health interventions and treatment

To inform epidemiological surveillance

To detect novel variants



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Gradual roll-out of vaccines and continued threat of novel variants mean that widespread, affordable, and accurate testing remains critical to global COVID-19 response

SPEED OF COVID-19 ANTIGEN RDT INTRODUCTION HAS BEEN UNPRECEDENTED COMPARED WITH ANY OTHER RDT



Source: 1. SD Biosensor STANDARD Q COVID-19 Ag Test; 2. Abbott Panbio COVID-19 Ag Rapid Test Device (NASAL); 3. Global Fund, GDF/StopTB, PAHO, UNDP, Unicef, WHO; https://extranet.who.int/pqweb/vitrodiagnostics/coronavirus-disease-covid-19-pandemic-%E2%80%94-emergency-use-listing-procedure-eul-open; Cunningham J, et al. Malar J 2019;18:387. All accessed 15 March 2021

ACT-A, ACT-Accelerator; Ag, antigen; EOI, expression of interest; EUL, emergency use listing; LMIC, low- and middle-income countries; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; PMC, Premier Medical Coft@oration; RDT, rapid diagnostic test

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LESSONS FOR THE FUTURE CRITICAL NEED FOR A QUICKER RESPONSE



EUL, emergency use listing procedure; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; PHEIC, public health emergency of international concern.

G7 100 Days Mission to respond to future pandemic threats.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/992762/100_Days_Mission_to_respond_to_future_pandemic_threats__3_.pdf

Together, we can ensure that everyone who needs a test can get one







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