

PROJECT TITLE	ZIKALLIANCE - A global alliance for Zika virus control and prevention
BRIEF DESCRIPTION	ZIKAlliance is a multidisciplinary project with a global "One Health" approach, built on a multi-centric network of clinical cohorts in the Caribbean, Central & South America; research sites in countries where the virus has been or is currently circulating (Africa, Asia, Polynesia) or at risk for emergence (Reunion Island); a strong network of European and Brazilian clinical & basic research institutions; and multiple interfaces with other scientific and public health programmes.
OBJECTIVES	ZIKAlliance will address three key objectives relating to (i) impact of Zika virus (ZIKV) infection during pregnancy and short & medium term effects on newborns, (ii) associated natural history of ZIKV infection in humans and their environment in the context of other circulating arboviruses and (iii) building the overall capacity for preparedness research for future epidemic threats in Latin America & the Caribbean.
IMPLEMENTATION	IHMT participates on Work Package 1 (WP1) "Clinical science, Epidemiology & Modelling", focusing on Task 1.6.3, on the risk of introduction and emergence of ZIKV in Europe; WP3 "Virology and antivirals", leading Subtask 3.2.3 on molecular epidemiology and phylogeography; and WP6 "Vectors & vector control", leading Task 6.4, on mosquito control using conventional and innovative tools.
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