The Côte d'Ivoire dual burden of disease (CoDuBu) study

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26/07/2017		Protocol		
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Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

The co-occurrence of infectious diseases and non-communicable diseases (not caused by infection) is poorly studied, despite the fact that this dual burden has become a reality for many low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Even very little is known about how common infectious diseases (e.g. worms and malaria) and non-communicable diseases (e.g. high blood pressure and diabetes) influence each other. Repeated and chronic (long-term) infections that are common in LMICs may alter people's susceptibility to diabetes and heart disease. Worm infections may shift the immune system into a direction protecting against inflammatory diseases, whereas repeated infections such as malaria may increase the risk of inflammatory diseases. Adults surviving often lethal infections in LMICs may have a genetically different susceptibility to age-related diseases (e.g. high blood pressue). As a result, people in LMICs may develop these diseases at different rates and at different ages than Western populations. If confirmed, this calls for changes in the provision of health services. The aim of this study is to carry out a survey of adults from rural and urban parts of the Taabo district in south-central Côte d'Ivoire to study the co-occurrence of worm infections and malaria with metabolic syndrome, high blood pressure and diabetes.

Who can participate?

Adults (aged at least 18) from three selected villages

What does the study involve?

The survey consists of health examinations to assess the incidence of high blood pressure, diabetes, worm and malaria infections, lifestyle and risks of infectious and non-communicable diseases. Confirmatory tests are provided as well as a free first month of treatment and enrolment into subsidized national care programmes. A biobank of collected biospecimens (e.g. stool and urine samples) is set up for future research.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

All participants benefit from health examinations, laboratory tests, physician consultation and treatment, all free of charge. Participants receive health advice from the physician regardless of disease status. Participating health centres are equipped with diagnostic tools, and participating health workers are trained in non-communicable disease diagnosis and management. The

biobank will improve local research. There are no specific risks associated with this study, although providing stool and urine samples might be perceived as shameful. Furthermore, common drugs used for the treatment of worms, malaria, diabetes and high blood pressure might result in some side effects, but these are usually few, short-lived and the benefits outweigh the risk of not being treated.

Where is the study run from?

The study is conducted in three rural communities located in the Taabo district in south-central Côte d'Ivoire

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? April 2017 to December 2017

Who is funding the study? Novartis Foundation (Switzerland)

Who is the main contact?

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Contact information

Type(s)

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number N/A

Study information

Scientific Title

Co-occurrence of common chronic infections (soil-transmitted helminths and Plasmodium) and common non-communicable diseases (diabetes and hypertension) in rural and urban Côte d' Ivoire

Acronym

CoDuBu

Study objectives

Repeated and chronic infections that are common in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) may alter the susceptibility to diabetes and cardiovascular diseases as well as their related phenotypes, albeit in an infection-specific manner. Adults surviving often lethal infections in the context of LMICs may have a genetically different susceptibility to diabetes and hypertension.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

- 1. Ethikkommission beider Basel (EKBB, Switzerland), 25/07/2011, ref: 2016-00143
- 2. Comité National d'Ethique et de la Recherche (CNER, Côte d'Ivoire), 24/03/2017, ref: 032 /IMSHP/CNER-kp

Study design

Observational cross-sectional survey

Primary study design

Observational

Study type(s)

Prevention

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Non-communicable diseases, infectious diseases

Interventions

The study involves a baseline cross-sectional survey which will be carried out in three selected villages in the Taabo HDSS, followed by the establishment of a biobank. The cross-sectional survey consists of health examination to determine anthropometric indices, metabolic syndrome, as well as helminthic and malaria infections. It will also include questionnaire survey with regard to lifestyle and risks of IDs and NCDs. Identified cases of ID and NCD will be managed accordingly. Confirmatory tests will be provided for NCD cases as well as free first month of treatment and enrolment into subsidized national care programmes. A biobank consisting of collected biospecimens will be set-up for future research into mechanisms incolved in ID-NCD interactions.

Intervention Type

Primary outcome(s)

All outcomes measured at baseline:

- 1. Hypertension, assessed using blood pressure monitor and questionnaire
- 2. Diabetes, assessed using blood glucose and glycosylated hemoglobin tests and questionnaire
- 3. Helminth infection, assessed using Kato-Katz stool test, Baermann stool test, medical test
- 4. Malaria, assessed using rapid diagnostic blood test and microscopy

Key secondary outcome(s))

No secondary outcome measures

Completion date

31/12/2017

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Age >= 18 years
- 2. Residence in the selected communities
- 3. Written informed consent to participate

Participant type(s)

All

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Residence in the selected communities
- 2. No written informed consent to participate

Date of first enrolment

23/04/2017

Date of final enrolment

31/05/2017

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Côte d'Ivoire

Switzerland

Study participating centre Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute

ROR

Funder(s)

Funder type

Other

Funder Name

Novartis Foundation

Alternative Name(s)

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

International organizations

Location

Switzerland

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The data sharing plans for the current study are unknown and will be made available at a later date.

IPD sharing plan summary

Data sharing statement to be made available at a later date

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	27/10/2017	Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025 11/11/2025	No	Yes