



MEVacP: a public engagement website about meningitis and vaccine policy

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WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

One of the public health goals set by the WHO is to defeat meningitis by 2030. Raising awareness of meningitis is key to helping achieve this. It is in this context that we have developed a website acting as a hub to disseminate information on meningitis.

HOW DID WE DO THIS?

A multidisciplinary team composed of researchers from the University of Oxford and from Africa including the Centre Suisse de Recherche Scientifique (CSRS) (scientists, physicians, social scientists and public health specialists) has been set up to build this website.

Main aspirations include: promoting **awareness** of meningitis, improving **surveillance** and our understanding of meningitis and **preventing** infection through vaccination.

This is a bilingual website existing in English and French with some parts still in development.

Information is presented on 4 of the most common bacterial species causing meningitis: *Neisseria meningitidis*, *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Streptococcus agalactiae* and *Haemophilus influenzae*. This includes disease manifestations, carriage, serogroups or serotypes and prevention.



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Meningitis is a killer disease which is particularly dangerous for young children. It can be caused by [bacteria](#), [viruses](#) or [fungi](#).
The good news is that we can reduce the risk of illness through the use of vaccines.

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