

Nigerian Society of Immunology (NSI) 29Apr2024, 10AM - "Immunity through the Ages: Navigating the Science of Aging and Immunology"

Advancing the field of Immunology across Africa: The role of FAIS

Pa Tamba Ngom FAIS President- 2021 to 2024

WHO WE ARE



The Federation of African Immunological Societies (FAIS), established in 1992, is a regional federation of immunology societies in Africa for the promotion of immunological research and education in the continent.

FAIS is a member of the International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS).



Vision

To advance the field of immunology on the African continent

Mission

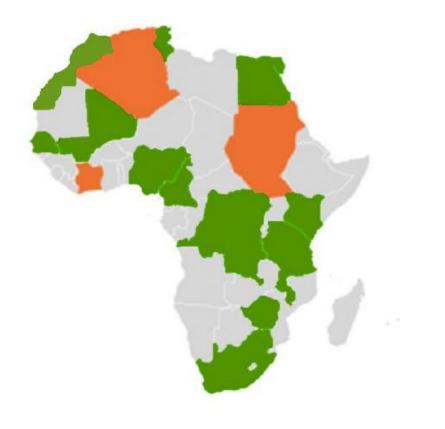
To Enhance communication between, and education of African-based immunologists. To promote research, clinical and animal care and advocacy efforts that impact immune system-related morbidity and mortality

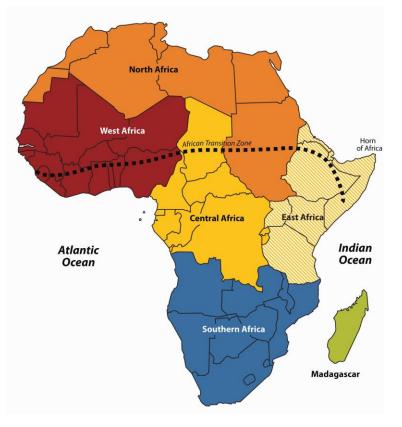




16/54 Countries

5 Regionals-7/16 from WA





Source of maps: Google

FAIS Member Societies



2021 Membership-13

- The Gambia
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Malawi
- Mali
- Morocco
- Senegal
- South Africa
- Tunisia
- Zimbabwe,
- Benin
- Algeria
- Cote d'Ivoire

2024 Membership-16+

- Cameroon
- Nigeria
- The Gambia
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Malawi
- Mali
- Morocco
- Senegal
- South Africa
- Tunisia
- Zimbabwe,
- Benin
- Algeria
- Cote d'Ivoire

- In process: Zambia, Uganda, Sudan,Gabon,Ta nzania, Angola,
- Mozambeque
- and Rwanda

FAIS Support provided to Africa



Roles Leadership

Governance

Training Courses

Representation

Networking

Collaboration

Funding

Tools

ExCo and Council

Accountability/ Transparency

Scholarships/Mentoring

Gender balanced

Advocacy, SME Data base

Corporate Partnerships

Donor Data base



Leadership (Volunteers)-By Consensus

- Ten (5 Core and 5 Regional representatives)
- Voted in at FAIS Congress General Assembly Of All member societies every 3 years

Communications: Website/Email/Meetings

- Monthly Executive Meetings
- FAIS Council Convened-as needed
- Emergency Extra Ordinary-as needed

Gender Balanced Leadership



Previous-2021









PRESIDENT





Current-2024



VICE PRESIDENT

Abdallah Badou SECRETARY GENERAL

Lucy Ochola TREASURER











Tomabu Adjobimey WESTERN AFRICA REGIONAL



Rosette Megnekou CENTRAL AFRICA REGIONAL



Rebecca Chukwuanukwu WESTERN AFRICA REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

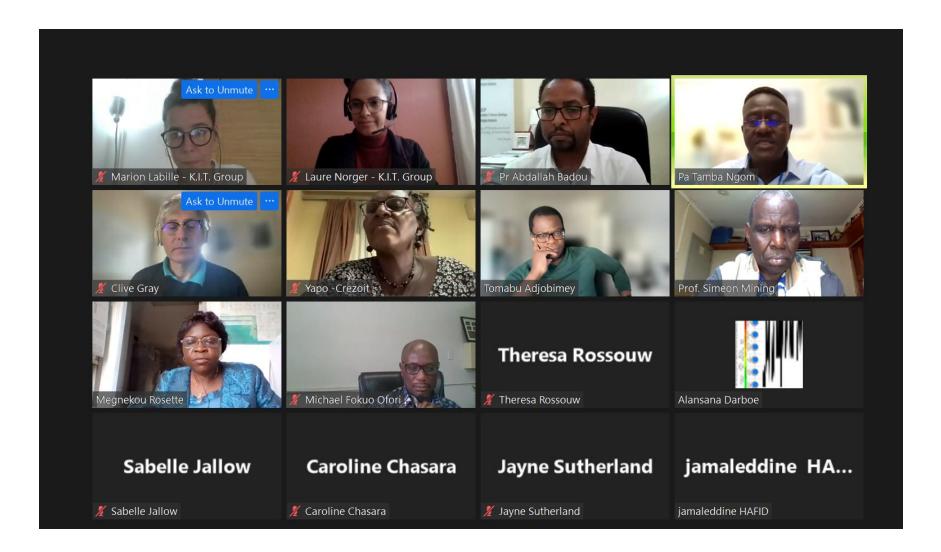




FAIS Council Convened: Major Decisions



Federation of African Immunological Societies



FAIS Courses & Training



Activity	Location	Dates	Theme
FAIS-IDA-Immuno- South Africa	Virtual	Oct 10-14 2021	HIV, Malaria and TB Vaccine Research in the time of the COVID-19 pandemic
FAIS-Afribop 2021	Virtual	25 Oct – 8 Nov 2021	Advances in the Immunobiology of Parasites, Pathogens and Pathogenesis
IUIS-FAIS-Immuno- Tunisia	Tunisia/hybrid	6-10 December 2021	Immune Dysregulation and Infection
IUIS-BIS Joint Workshop	Godomey, Benin	September 2022	Flow cytometry: from basic principles to research applications
IUIS-FAIS-Immuno- South Africa	Cape Town, South Africa	5-10 October 2022	COVID-19 vaccine translation to HIV, Malaria, TB.
FAIS-Afribop 2022	Malawi	14-18 Nov 2022	Immunobiology of parasites
IUIS-FAIS-ZSI Immuno- Zambia	Lusaka, Zambia	5-9 December 2022	Advanced immunology of the "BIG FOUR"(COVID-19, HIV, TB and Malaria) infectious diseases.





Pr. Abdallah Badou

- Research in Tumor Immunology
- Uncover tumor escape mechanisms within the tumor microenvironment.
- Identify potential targets, which could reverse the suppression enable tumor elimination by boosting immune cell activation.



Lucy Ochola

- Research in infectious diseases, emphasis on parasitology (malaria and schistosomiasis)
- Assessing impact of helminth infections on vaccine outcomes, disease manifestation & immunology, evaluating novel treatments and diagnostic tools
- Focus on in vitro assays and pre-clinical animal models

Clive Gray – incoming FAIS President



- Vice-President, FAIS
- Professor of Immunology, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
- Emeritus Professor, University of Cape Town, South Africa
- Adjunct Professor, Duke University, USA
- Director, Immunopaedia Foundation
- Chair, IUIS Education Committee
- SAIS ExCo member
- Director, D43 TIGRIS training grant in reproductive immunology
- Director, Reproductive Immunology Research Consortium in Africa (RIRCA).



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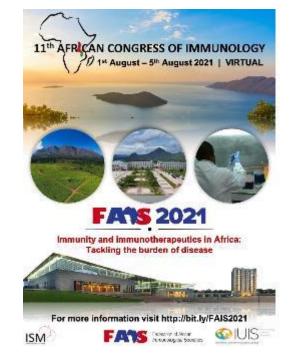
including an: Immunology Seminar and a Poster Session.

On April 29, 2024. People participating will receive T-shirts.



11th FAIS Congress 2021-Virtual

- 445 Participants
- 355 Waivers
- 44 Nationalities from all continents
- 48 Oral Presentations
- 36 plenary
- 66 Poster Presentations
- Gender Balance
- 21 Female & 22 Male plenary and symposium speakers





18th IUIS-FAIS-SAIS ICI-2023



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JPnJJvQ40q8

IUIS 2025 19th International Congress of Immunology





FAIS Communications



- FAIS Website https://www.faisafrica.com/about-fais/
- FAIS Newsletter Quarterly 1800+ subscribers
- OneDrive secure document sharing
- Social Media:
- X X-formerly Twitter 560 followers @FAISAfrica
- **G** Facebook 390 followers
- **InkedIn 165 followers**

FAIS PARTNERS & LINKS







Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation Fighting for an AIDS-free generation













BILL & MELINDA GATES foundation



Public Health Agency of Canada





Past FAIS Presidents

- Elopy Sibanda, Zimbabwe
- Alioune Dieye, Senegal
- Ahmed El-Gohary, Egypt
- Willem Hanekom, South Africa
- Tom Kariuki, Kenya
- Hatem Masmoudi, Tunisia
- Henry Mwandumba, Malawi

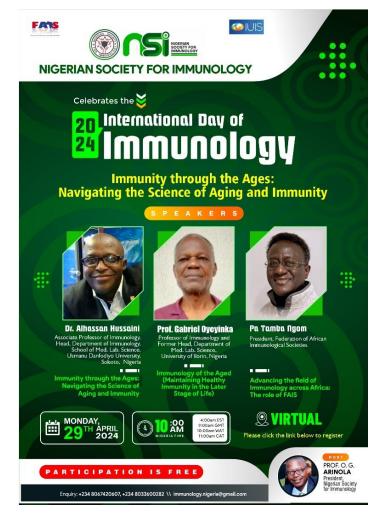
Thank you Former
 FAIS Presidents for
 Laying the Foundation
 to build on!

Thank you to NSI Leadership



- PROF. O.G. ARINOLA
- PROF. Y.M. TATFENG
- Dr. S. K. Rahamon
- Dr. K. S. Akinwande
- Dr. Rebecca Chukwuanukwu
 -FAIS Regional Rep. WA







FAIS CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

"By joining forces, we have the power to transform and safeguard lives across Africa! Partnering with FAIS not only aligns your brand with our vision and mission but also empowers you to drive significant advancements in immunology throughout the continent"



Pa Tamba Ngom FAIS President 2021-2024



WHY ENGAGE WITH FAIS ?

SUPPORT: champion the development and advancement of young scientists and talent, shaping a brighter future for the African continent.

PROMOTE: fuel innovation in Africa and enhance immunology knowledge to drive forward discoveries and solutions pertinent to the African continent.

SHARE: innovative ideas, new knowledge, products and cutting-edge research in the world of immunology.

CONNECT: meet and engage with African immunologists and keep up-to-date with the latest discoveries and developments.

WHAT WE DO



FAIS collaborates with similar organizations to achieve its core objectives, which include:

- **Boosting collaboration**: by facilitating knowledge sharing and networking among African immunologists.
- **Strengthening education**: by investing in training programmes and resources for African immunology professionals.
- **Championing Advocacy**: by raising awareness and advocating for policies that address immune system-related health burdens in Africa.