

Join us for our 3rd  
Millipore Sigma Middle  
East and Africa Research  
Network (MARN) Event:



## Developing innovative solutions for the world's toughest diagnostic challenges: perspectives from the Emerging markets

Hosted by Millipore Sigma

With the Covid-19 pandemic placing global health systems under extreme pressure, there is a growing need for novel, accurate diagnostic assays across the world. Reliable diagnostic methods have always been critical for health prosperity, with a focus on novel diagnostics growing long before the emergence of SARS-CoV-2. Our 3rd MARN event will highlight the incredible work being done in the diagnostic space in Africa and the Middle East. Our speakers are experts in the development of novel diagnostic solutions and our company is privileged to offer you the opportunity to hear their perspectives, learn from their challenges and get inspired by their successes.

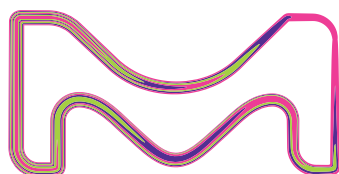
### Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about:

- Successful business models for developing diagnostics
- Innovations in the diagnostic space
- Lessons learned from combating SARS-CoV-2, Ebola and other prevalent Pathogens on the continent
- Global Health Institute, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany
- Developing home grown solutions to global problems

**Date:** 15 December 2020

**Time:** 10:00 – 14:00 CAT

**For registration click [here](#).**



### Speakers:



Prof. Zeleke Mekonnen (PhD): Director of Health Research and Innovation at the Jimma University Institute of Health - ETHIOPIA



Prof. Steve Ahuka Mundeke (MD, MTM, PhD) Head of Medical Biology Department, Kinshasa Teaching School of Medicine, University of Kinshasa and Incident Manager of COVID-19 pandemic Response, Kinshasa - DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO



Charles Faul: Founder and CEO of Akili Labs – REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



Prof. Hassan Sefrioui (MS; Ph.D.): Director of Biotechnology & Member of the Executive Board at Moroccan foundation for Advanced Science, Innovation and Research (MAScIR) - MOROCCO



Béatrice Gréco (PhD): Head of Research, Development and Access within the Global Health Institute, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany



Raik Grünberg (PhD): Research Scientist in the Computational Bioscience Center at King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) - KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA