

STAR-IDAZ and the Global AMR R&D Hub Joint Announcement

As part of the global initiative to control and counteract the effects of antimicrobial resistance (AMR), today, STAR-IDAZ International Research Consortium on Animal Health [<https://www.star-idaz.net/>] and the Global AMR R&D Hub [<https://globalamrhub.org/>] have entered a collaboration partnership. The partnership is based on their common interest to strengthen global research efforts and reduce duplication of research on priority infectious diseases of animals relevant to AMR.

This joint effort includes the exchange and dissemination of relevant AMR R&D expertise, information and data in animal health and supports more efficient use of international resources through the identification of gaps, overlaps and potential for cross-sectoral collaboration.

The partnership recognises that collaboration in research is essential for tackling the global rise of AMR which threatens the effective prevention and treatment of an ever-increasing range of infections caused by bacteria, parasites, viruses and fungi.

Dr Elmar Nimmesgern, who leads the Global AMR R&D Hub Secretariat, said “We are delighted to enter our first formal collaboration agreement with STAR-IDAZ IRC, who have already been a valuable partner by supporting the development of the animal health-specific categorization fields of the Dynamic Dashboard that was recently launched” [Link Dynamic Dashboard <https://dashboard.globalamrhub.org/>, Link AH Newsletter <https://archive.newsletter2go.com/?n2q=quv621jn-ncqIt7wk-145d>].

Dr Alex Morrow, who leads the Secretariat for the STAR IDAZ IRC, said “This is a significant partnership to forward international efforts to counteract AMR. We are excited to join efforts in advancing the knowledge about AMR R&D investments in animal health, recognising that this is a ‘one-health’ issue needing a coordinated approach involving research from both veterinary and human medicine working together”.

The Global AMR R&D Hub supports global priority setting and evidence-based decision-making on allocation of resources for AMR R&D through the identification of gaps, overlaps and potential for cross-sectoral collaboration and leveraging in AMR R&D. It is a global partnership currently consisting of 16 countries, the European Commission and two philanthropic foundations. The work of the Global AMR R&D Hub is steered by a Board of Members.

STAR-IDAZ International Research Consortium (IRC) on Animal Health is a global initiative involving 29 research funders and programme owners from 19 countries with the objective of coordinating research programmes at international level to accelerate the delivery of disease control tools and strategies.



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