

IAS-ILF/CIPHER THEMATIC ROUNDTABLE ON PAEDIATRIC HIV

Removing barriers and seizing opportunities in paediatric HIV

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Evaluation report

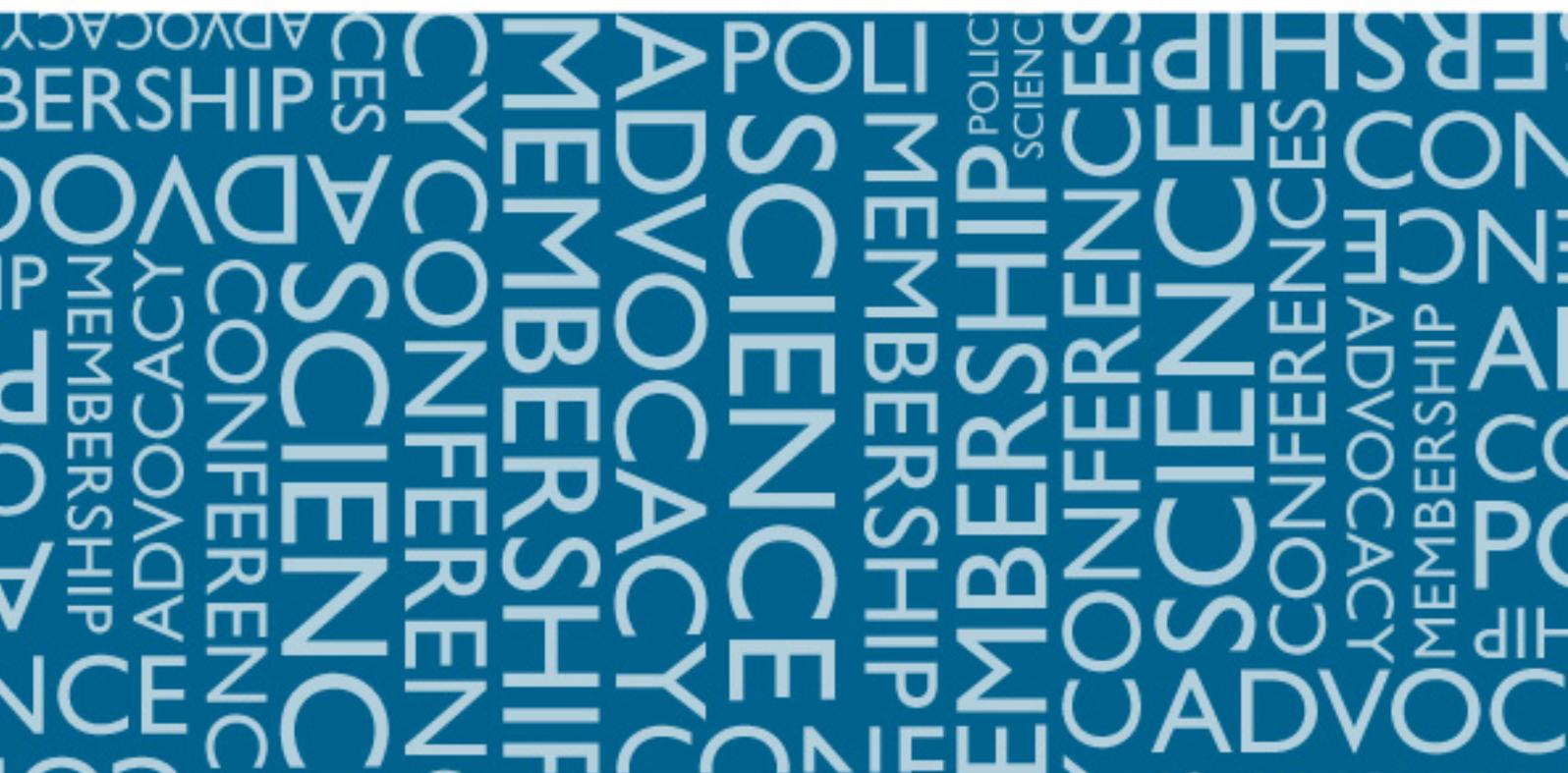


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Introduction

Following the success of the [IAS-ILF Industry Roundtable on Paediatric Antiretrovirals](#) (ARVs), held in Geneva, Switzerland, in November 2013, the International AIDS Society-Industry Liaison Forum ([IAS-ILF](#)) and the Collaborative Initiative for Paediatric HIV Education and Research ([CIPHER](#)) teamed up to organize a follow-up roundtable on paediatric HIV. This closed meeting was held in conjunction with AIDS 2014 (20-25 July 2014, Melbourne, Australia). It was aimed at widening the scope of the discussion from mainly ARV manufacturers and international organizations to include investigators from the largest paediatric HIV cohorts worldwide (through the [CIPHER Cohort Collaboration](#)), as well as representatives of normative and regulatory agencies.

The IAS-ILF/CIPHER Thematic Roundtable on Paediatric HIV was co-chaired by Lynne Mofenson (US National Institutes of Health, USA) and Shaffiq Essajee (CHAI, USA). It was aimed at bringing cohorts and industry together for an informal discussion and knowledge sharing between the various stakeholders with the hope of extending collaboration between cohorts' investigators and industry. The agenda is available in Appendix A.

Attendance

Fifty-one people participated, and most (61%) were female. Twenty-four percent represented the cohorts, 22% represented industry, and 54% represented other organizations (including the IAS, see Figure 1).

Feedback from participants

Participants were invited by email to fill in an online survey (see Appendix B). Thirteen surveys were completed (a 25% response rate). The majority of respondents were based in the USA (46%) with the rest coming from Switzerland (15%), Spain (15%), Papua New Guinea (8%) and Thailand (15%). The majority of respondents (31%) were affiliated with hospitals or academia and non-governmental organizations; 23% were affiliated with governments (see Figure 1).

Participants were asked which conferences or meetings they usually attend (respondents were asked to select all options that applied). Seventy-seven percent said that they usually attend the International AIDS Conference, 62% said that they attend the Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI), and 54% said that they attend the IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention. Seven respondents (54%) said that they usually attend the International Workshop on HIV Paediatrics (organized by Virology Education).

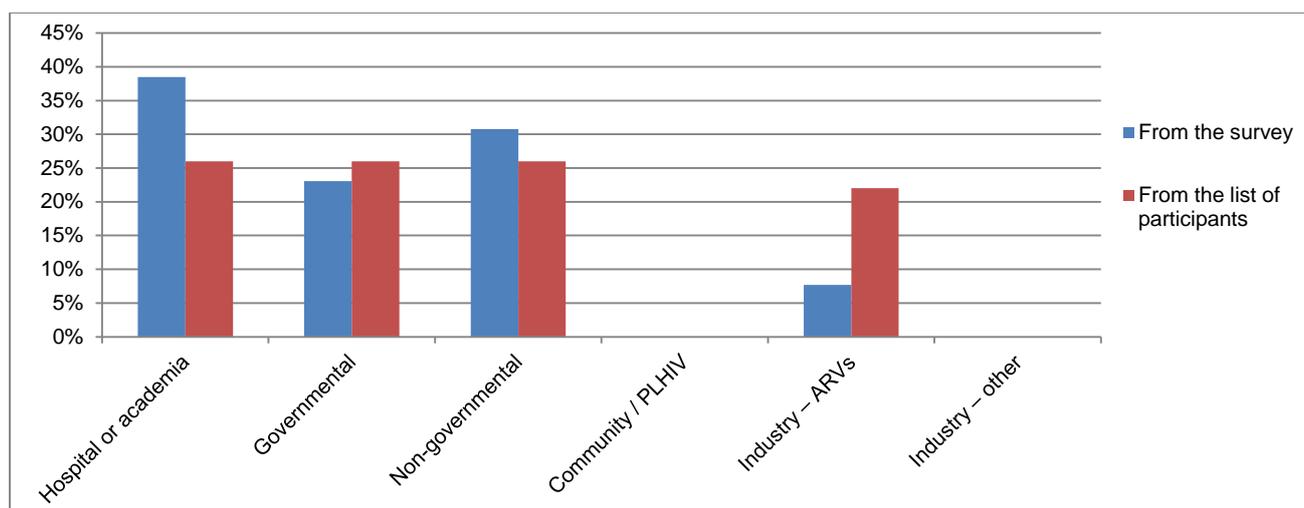


Figure 1. Affiliation of the participants

When asked about the main reasons for attending the roundtable (respondents were asked to select all options that applied), 85% said that they attended to discuss challenges and come up with solutions, while 23% said that they attended to make new contacts. Fifteen percent of the respondents said they attended to learn more about paediatric HIV; an equal portion (15%) attended to present data on paediatric HIV. The majority of respondents (69%) gained the opportunity for collaboration, and 54% gained the opportunity to share their ideas. Thirty-nine percent of the respondents gained new contacts, and 23% gained new information on paediatric HIV. When asked if they would follow up on the new contacts made, 69% of respondents said that they would, while 31% of the respondents answered with “maybe”.

Participants were asked to rate the various parts of the roundtable (presentations and roundtable discussion). Sixty-five percent of respondents rated the various parts as good, 23% as excellent, and 8% as fair. Regarding the organization of the roundtable, 69% of respondents rated it as good and 25% as excellent. For future improvements, 62% of respondents suggested allowing more time for discussions, and 46% suggested providing more information in advance (before the meeting). Thirty-nine percent of respondents suggested narrowing the scope of the topics discussed and inviting more industry participants.

Participants were asked to suggest subjects for future roundtables. Only two suggestions were made. One respondent suggested having an “industry proposed action plan”, and the other suggested a “focus on specific molecules (i.e. on specific drugs); either in this [meeting] format or in another”. When asked about whether a major stakeholder was absent from this roundtable, one respondent said that there should be more regulators at these meetings (there were three).

Overall, the roundtable was positively received with respondents making positive comments, as well as taking the opportunity to make a few suggestions. Some comments and suggestions included:

- “The momentum needs to be maintained with six-monthly meetings to enable incremental progress.”
- “[The meeting] should be more practical.”
- “Participants list should be tightened to reflect those likely to participate and who know the field.”
- “Better [scheduling] for the meeting [is needed].”
- “Same ideas are repeated and are too far from actual implementation.”
- “There was no clear action plan with timelines and responsible [persons or organizations].”

THEMATIC ROUNDTABLE ON PAEDIATRIC HIV

Organized by the International AIDS Society-Industry Liaison Forum (IAS-ILF) and
the Collaborative Initiative for Paediatric Education and Research (CIPHER)

Saturday, 19 July 2014, 18:00 – 21:00 AEST (Dinner reception until 22:00 AEST)
Fig/Pear Room, Mercure Melbourne Treasury Gardens
13 Spring Street, Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia

18:00 – 18:10	Welcome and roundtable introduction <i>Co-Chairs: Lynne Mofenson (US National Institutes of Health, USA) Shaffiq Essajee (CHAI, USA)</i>
18:10 – 18:25	Challenges along the paediatric ARV pipeline: Summary of the IAS-ILF Industry Roundtable on Paediatric ARVs <i>Shaffiq Essajee (CHAI, USA)</i>
18:25 – 18:45	CIPHER and Paediatric HIV cohorts collaboration <i>Marissa Vicari (IAS, Switzerland) Annette Sohn (TREAT Asia / amfAR, Thailand)</i>
18:45 – 18:55	Knowledge gaps and WHO guidelines <i>Martina Penazzato (WHO, Switzerland)</i>
18:55 – 20:50	Roundtable discussion Removing barriers and seizing opportunities in paediatric HIV What can cohorts do for industry? What can industry do for cohorts? Can collaboration between cohorts and industry tackle some of these challenges? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developing child-friendly formulations• Recruiting children under 12 years in clinical trials• Gathering information on most appropriate:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Formulations○ FDC ratios○ Age bands○ Weight bands• Providing clinical data (e.g., PK data)• Providing accurate post-marketing surveillance data• Informing paediatric HIV cure research by looking for Mississippi baby-like patients <i>Facilitator: Shaffiq Essajee (CHAI, USA)</i>
20:50 – 21:00	Summary and action points <i>Co-Chairs: Lynne Mofenson (US National Institutes of Health, USA) Shaffiq Essajee (CHAI, USA)</i>
21:00 – 22:00	Dinner reception for additional informal exchanges between participants

Appendix B: Evaluation form (page 1 of 2)

1. What were the main reasons for attending this meeting? (Please select all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/> To present data on paediatric HIV	<input type="checkbox"/> To learn more on paediatric HIV
<input type="checkbox"/> To discuss challenges and come up with solutions	<input type="checkbox"/> To make new contacts

2. What did you gain from attending this meeting? (Please select all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/> New information on paediatric HIV	<input type="checkbox"/> Opportunities for collaboration
<input type="checkbox"/> Opportunities to share ideas	<input type="checkbox"/> New contacts

3. Will you follow-up on new contacts made at this meeting?

Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	Maybe: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>
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4. How would you rate the presentations made?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Welcome and roundtable introduction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presentation of the IAS Paediatric Priority (CIPHER)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Challenges along the paediatric ARV pipeline: Summary from the Industry Roundtable on Paediatric ARVs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paediatric HIV cohorts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knowledge gaps and WHO guidelines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Roundtable discussion: Removing barriers and seizing opportunities in paediatric HIV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary and action points	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. How would you rate the organization of this meeting?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Choice of topics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choice of contributors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choice of attendees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Format of the session	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duration of the event	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date/time of the events	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Direction and time management by co-chairs and moderators	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overall organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. How could future thematic roundtables be improved?

<input type="checkbox"/> Improve general organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce time for presentations
<input type="checkbox"/> Provide more information in advance	<input type="checkbox"/> Allow more time for discussion
<input type="checkbox"/> Broaden the scope of topics discussed	<input type="checkbox"/> Invite more industry participants
<input type="checkbox"/> Narrow the scope of topics discussed	<input type="checkbox"/> Invite more non-industry participants
<input type="checkbox"/> Allow more time for presentations	

Appendix B: Evaluation form (page 2 of 2)

7. What subject(s) would you suggest for future IAS-ILF thematic roundtables?

8. Do you feel any important stakeholder(s) was(were) absent from this meeting? If yes, please let us know which one(s).

9. Do you have any general comments, suggestions, and/or questions regarding the meeting?

10. In which country are you based?

11. What is your main occupation/affiliation?

<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital / clinic	<input type="checkbox"/> Community-based organization / PLHIV
<input type="checkbox"/> Academia: university, research institute, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry – ARVs
<input type="checkbox"/> Governmental	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry – Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-governmental	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. Which events do you generally attend?

<input type="checkbox"/> International AIDS Conference	<input type="checkbox"/> CROI
<input type="checkbox"/> IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention	<input type="checkbox"/> ICAP
<input type="checkbox"/> International Workshop on HIV Pediatrics (Virology Education)	<input type="checkbox"/> ICASA
<input type="checkbox"/> Virology education events (other than the Intl. Workshop on HIV Pediatrics)	

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The IAS-ILF is a mechanism to inform and support collaboration and partnership between industry and the IAS. Guided by a strong, multi-stakeholder advisory group, it performs this broad task by regularly providing opportunities for industry to understand the IAS's interests and priorities, and vice versa, seeking common ground to enhance the impact of our response to HIV and related co-morbidities.

CIPHER is aimed at optimizing clinical management and delivery of services to infants, children and adolescents affected by HIV in resource-limited settings through advocacy and research promotion.

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