Meanders of an atypical research work on *Helicobacter pylori* in the democratic republic of Congo: Influence of HIV and some other factors and study of some interesting cases

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During the 3rd Euro case reports in Valencia, Spain, a strange medical case taking place in the DRC has been presented. Indeed, while the Congolese population is, until now, convinced of the existence of massive criminal poisonings, throughout the national area, originating from the East region of the country, we incredibly observed and demonstrated that actually, the phenomenon is a silent, surprising and unexpected *Helicobacter pylori* epidemic with numerous extra-digestive pathologies. A relevant manuscript has been written in the extension of the Valencia Spain conference. The present subject will deal with picturesque meanders by which our research work passed, lengthening it to more than twenty five years before getting appropriate results. The presentation will start by a brief summary of the DRC *Helicobacter pylori* phenomenon described in Valencia and hypothesis raised for better knowledge of *Helicobacter pylori* infection, at the international level. In a second time, It will focus on the influence and consequences of some followed factors in our study: HIV infection, political situation in DRC, lack of equipment, population ignorance, traditional practitioners cupidity, lack of financial means, deficiency of South-North collaboration, and so on. Afterwards, some interesting, incredible extra-digestive DRC *Helicobacter pylori* cases observed in our study will be discussed. Finally a brief conclusion will present some useful propositions drawn from the experience of this DRC *Helicobacter pylori* study.

**Biography**

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