

Editor's Note on Volume 7, Issue 8

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This issue provides up-to-date analyses of a variety of factors that affect HIV treatment and care mainly in populations from developing countries. This information is vital for the design of effective treatment and intervention strategies in these populations as findings from developed countries often do not translate well into other populations. Kemajou et al. look at antibiotic resistance in urinary tract infections, one of the most common causes of disease and hospitalization in HIV positive patients, in Port Harcourt, Nigeria [1]. Alotaibi et al. assess the knowledge and perceptions of HIV/AIDS among high school children in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia [2]. Akolo et al. look at compliance with "Positive Health, Dignity and Prevention Services" in Nairobi County, Kenya [3]. Suryawanshi et al. study whether mass-media communication campaigns normalize discussions on condom use among married men in India [4]. Mouna et al. look at acute pancreatitis in patients living with HIV in Morocco [5]. Anusuya et al. look at immunological and virological responses to second-line antiretroviral therapy in Tambaram, India [6]. Owie and Apanga review occupational health hazards prevailing among healthcare workers in developing countries in general [7].

This issue includes one study from the United States where Kelsey Ball provides an interesting analysis of cultural mistrust, conspiracy theories and attitudes towards HIV testing among African Americans [8].

This issue also includes a concise review on RNA Interference as an Antiviral Defense in human and animal diseases, by Narute [9], as well as a more detailed clinical review, by Pereira et al. on current challenges and future perspectives of HIV Treatment [10].

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