

# Uganda Country Brief

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*Bringing evidence & people together to tackle drug resistance for a healthier world*

## Country Context

The Government of Uganda created a National Strategy for AMR and an AMR Surveillance Plan, following a situational analysis on AMR published by the Uganda National Academy of Sciences in 2015.

More information about Uganda and its work on AMR can be found on the Fleming Fund website at: <https://www.flemingfund.org/countries/uganda>

## Our Grants

### COUNTRY GRANT

Completed October 2020

### COUNTRY GRANT 2

Country Grantee: Infectious Disease Institute  
Sub-grantees: Department of Medical Microbiology, Makerere University, Pharmacy Department, Makerere University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Resources and Biosecurity, Makerere University, Department of Medical Microbiology, Mbarara University  
Value: £4,100,000  
Duration: Nov 2020 – Feb 2022

### PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Number of fellows: 6  
Host Institution: University of Edinburgh  
Value: £480,000  
Duration: Nov 2018 – Mar 2021

### PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP 2

Number of fellows: 3  
Host Institution: University of Edinburgh  
Value: £160,000  
Duration: Sep 2020 - Dec 2021

### POLICY FELLOWSHIP

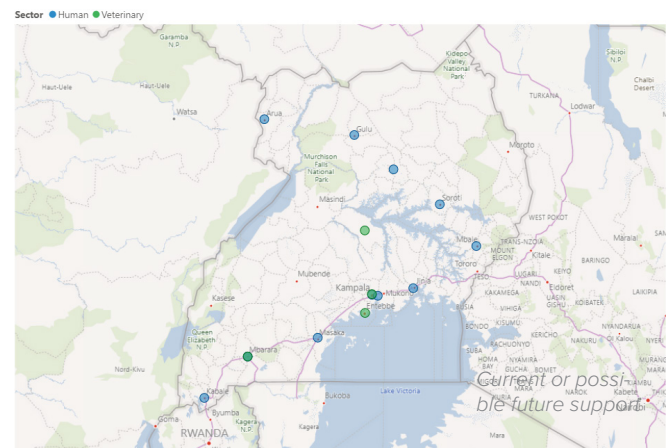
Number of fellows: 2  
Host Institution: University of Edinburgh  
Value: £80,000  
Duration: Sep 2020 - Dec 2021

## Who We Are

The Fleming Fund is the world's single largest Official Development Assistance (ODA) investment in global AMR surveillance.

It is a £265million UK aid programme supporting up to 24 low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) to generate, share and use antimicrobial resistance (AMR) data.

The Fleming Fund is a UK Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) programme made up of a Country and Regional Grants and Fellowships Programme managed by Mott MacDonald, and a variety of Global Projects, managed directly by DHSC.



## REGIONAL GRANTS

### Gathering Historical AMR Data

Grantee: African Society for Laboratory Medicine  
Value: £3,159,259 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Nov 2018 – Jul 2021

This grant supports the collection and analysis of historical AMR data across key Fleming Fund countries to provide early information for policy making.

### External Quality Assurance- Africa

Grantee: African Society for Laboratory Medicine  
Value: £4,511,176  
Duration: Oct 2019 – Dec 2021

This grant supports the development of external quality assurance practices in laboratories around Asia which ensures confidence in laboratory testing results.

### Policy, Practice & Advocacy

Grantee: International Vaccine Institute  
Value: £2,715,217 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Sep 2019 – Nov 2021

This grant supports data sharing for global AMR planning and advocacy to provide policy makers with evidence to make robust, data-based policy recommendations.

### Common Surveillance Protocols

Grantee: Ending Pandemics  
Value: £3,076,279 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Sep 2019 – Dec 2021

This grant supports the standardisation of data collection and analysis through common protocols, ensuring data across countries is comparable.

### Microbiology & Epidemiology Training

Grantee: African Society for Laboratory Medicine  
Value: £3,924,547 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Oct 2019 – Sep 2021

This grant improves data sharing for global AMR planning and advocacy to provide policy makers the evidence they need to make robust, evidence-based policy recommendations.

### Whole Genome Sequencing

Grantee: Denmark Technical University  
Value: £4,435,181  
Duration: May 2019 – Sep 2021

This grant improves establishing a regional centre for sequencing that will allow the investigation of outbreaks, unusual resistance phenotypes, or delineation of the flow of organisms/genes recommendations.

**2017**

OIE supports Professional Veterinary Services Workshop

**MAR 2017**

Fleming Fund scoping visit

**JAN 2018**

Request for proposal published

**NOV 2018**

Country Grant signed

**OCT 2018**

Fellowship kick-off workshop

**NOV 2020**

Second country grant begins

## GLOBAL PROJECTS

**Global Research on AMR (GRAM):** This grant supports a global exercise studying the burden of AMR, run by University of Oxford.

Value: £6,200,000 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Jan 2016 – Jun 2021

**OIE Grant:** This grant invests in developing One Health guidance on antimicrobial use, supports countries to feed into the global AMU animal database and helps improve awareness and understanding of AMR and alternatives to antimicrobial agents.

Value: £5,000,000 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Jan 2016 – Mar 2021

**WHO Global Grant:** This grant supports countries to develop National Action Plans, training to undertake AMR use and consumptions studies and supports the adoption of the AWaRe framework and essential medicines lists.

Value: £9,900,000 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Jan 2016 – Sept 2020

**South Centre Grant:** This grant builds partnerships with civil society organisations to

raise awareness of AMR.

Value: £1,000,000 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Jan 2017 – Mar 2021

**Commonwealth Partnership for Antimicrobial Stewardship:** this grant develops partnerships through the Tropical Health and Education Trust and Commonwealth Pharmacists Association, linking NHS Trusts and partner hospitals in Uganda to improve AMR stewardship practices.

Value: £1,300,000 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Jan 2018 – Jun 2020

**WHO Substandard & Falsified Medicines:** This grant supports the assessment of substandard and falsified medicines and their origins. Uganda has also conducted sample surveys of antibiotics to identify the quantity substandard and falsified antimicrobial medicines.

Value: £4,000,000 (total across multiple countries)  
Duration: Jan 2018 – Mar 2022