

What is SPICES?

SPICES is an acronym that stands for Scaling-up Packages of Interventions for Cardiovascular disease prevention in selected sites in Europe and Sub-Saharan Africa. It is an implementation science project funded by the European Commission through the Horizon2020 research and innovation action. SPICES officially started on the 1st January 2017 and will run till December 2021.

Project AIMS

The project aim is to implement and evaluate a comprehensive CVD prevention program in five settings: a rural & semi-urban community in a low-income country (Uganda), middle income (South Africa) and vulnerable groups in three high-income countries (Belgium, France and United Kingdom) as well as to identify and compare the barriers and facilitators across study contexts.



SPICES

CVD Prevention

Consortium

The SPICES Consortium comprise of 6 Universities: University of Antwerp in Belgium (Coordinator), Makerere University in Uganda, University of Manchester and the Nottingham Trent University in the UK, Brest University in France and University of Limpopo in South Africa.

Project website

The SPICES project has reserved a domain name “www.spicesproject.eu” for the website. The site which will be regularly updated provides a synopsis of activities of the project. We encourage you to visit the website regularly for our planned scientific activities, programs, project updates, and contacts.

WP	Focus	Aim	WP Leader
1	Project Coordination and Management	Oversight leadership to ensure successful implementation of the project	University of Antwerp
2	Situational analysis and preparations	Benchmark current opportunities, resources, challenges and barriers in relation to CVD in all study sites	Makerere University
3	Health promotion and prevention	To engage stakeholders in the prevention of CVD	The Nottingham Trent University
4	Cardiovascular disease profiling	To screen for CVD risk profile, provide individual counselling and refer/link high risk scorers to appropriate health care	Manchester University
5	Care and management	To implement a simplified algorithm for managing CVDs using task sharing and shifting strategies	Brest University
6	Follow-up and self-management	To offer self management support to people with high risk factors for CVD	University of Antwerp
7	Evaluation of the implementation process	To evaluate project performance, barriers, opportunities, and good practices	Makerere University
8	Dissemination and communication	To raise awareness about the activities and outcomes of the SPICES project.	The Nottingham Trent University
9	Ethics	To ensure compliance with the 'ethics requirements'	University of Antwerp

SPICES Project Kick off meeting

The project started with an intensive three day kick off meeting from the 14th – 17th January 2017 at the University of Antwerp in Belgium. The aim of the kick off meeting was to have a face to face interactive discussion about the project, harmonise differences and discuss the work packages in details. The kick off meeting set pace and triggered teams into action. Next steps include scanning the literature for evidence based interventions and initialisation of protocols for each work package.

SPICES Project partners at Kick off meeting

From Right to Left Prof Le Reste Jean Yves (France), Dr Eric Maimella (South Africa), Prof Rhoda Wanyenze (Uganda), Prof Robert Dingwall (UK), Dr. Delphine Le Goff (France), Ms Noeme Aerts (Belgium), Dr. Linda Gibson (UK), Prof Harm Van marwijk (UK), Prof Lieve Peremans (Belgium), Prof Paul Van Royen (Belgium), Dr Geoffrey Musinguzi (Uganda), Prof Tholene Sodi (South Africa), Prof Fred Nuwaha (Uganda), Prof Hilde Bastiaens (Belgium), Dr Pauline Whelan (UK), Dr Sibyl Anthierens (Belgium), Prof. JP Van geertruyden (Belgium), Dr. Isaac Ssinabulya (Uganda), and Dr. Michele Odorico (France).



Upcoming consortium meetings : Apr 25 – 26, 2017, Antwerp, Belgium

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