

**H3AFRICA KIDNEY DISEASE RESEARCH NETWORK
MONTHLY STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
September 3, 2025**



Attendees: Dr. Dwomoa Adu, Prof. Bamidele Tayo, Angelica Allen, Dr. Agwai Imaria, Dr. Manmak Memven, Heather Ascani, Prof. Ifeoma Ulasi, Prof. Oluwatoyin Amira, Prof. Ogochukwu Okoye, Dr. Titi Ilori, Prof. Timothy Olanrewaju, Prof. Aliyu Abdu, Prof. Santosh Saraf.

Regrets: Prof. Akinlolu Ojo

1. Cohort Study-

- The cohort study monthly enrollment report has been updated with the B6 follow-up visit numbers.
- The percentages and eligibility numbers for B6 are being updated.
- We have completed the review of the biopsy histopathology diagnosis classified as 'others'.
- The updated biopsy diagnosis table will be added to the enrolment report for further review during the next meeting.
- The biopsy pathologist, Jeff Hodgins will advise us on how best to classify the sub-diagnosis "membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis" in the enrollment report.

2. New Grant Proposals-

- The team, headed by Professor Vincent Boima and Professor Timothy Olanrewaju, is currently drafting new grant proposals on 'environmental determinants of CKD' and 'genetic determinants of young CKD.'
- Clinical site investigators can volunteer to contribute to either the environmental determinants of CKD or the genetic determinants of young people with CKD grant proposal writing.

3. Committee and Working Group Reports-

- The recruitment and retention committee has made progress on the submission of the manuscript titled: **'Recruitment and Retention of Participants in Clinical Research in Africa: Experience from the H3Africa Kidney Disease Research Network'**.
- Prof. Timothy Olanrewaju will retrieve the original draft of the manuscript and submit it to Kidney Medicine within three weeks.
- The manuscript and publication committee chair, Prof. Ifeoma Ulasi promised to look into the request sent by Prof. Tayo Bamidele and Dr. Rulan Parekh for the committee's approval.
- Angelica will resend the pending manuscript approval request to the manuscript and publication committee this week.
- **Next Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, October 8, 2025.**