Objectives
To provide a forum to stimulate effective unified action against malaria in Africa through high-quality scientific research in partnership with control programmes across the African continent.

The conference will aim to:
• promote dialogues at the research–implementation interface;
• promote scientific collaborations across Africa and internationally;
• strengthen pan-African and regional research and control networks;
• report on the progress of MIM activities.

Open to:
• health personnel and other individuals involved in malaria control activities across Africa;
• malaria researchers internationally.

Participants may be from universities, research institutions, ministries of health, private sector groups, international agencies or non-governmental organizations.

Congress venue and accommodation
The conference will be held at the International Convention Centre, Durban. A range of different accommodation options will be available. Further details will be provided in the second announcement.

Programme
Keynote scientific addresses and reviews will be presented in the following focus areas:
• malaria control and its management, including reviews of the current status of control programmes in Africa;
• antimalarial drugs and resistance;
• economics of malaria;
• health information systems and surveillance;
• vector biology and control;
• severe malaria and pathogenesis;
• malaria vaccines;
• ethics and research methodology;
• research networks in Africa;
• communications in Africa.

Workshops and discussion groups will be convened to discuss country and regional issues, or specific scientific areas. The final day will be devoted to a ‘Workshop on Research Training and Capacity Development in Africa’.

Exhibitions
The organizers welcome the involvement of exhibitors. Options will be made available to all potential exhibitors of malaria-related products. For more information contact the organizing committee.

Language
All proceedings will be translated into English, French and Portuguese.

Registration fees
African delegates
US$100
Other delegates
US$300
Private sector to contact secretariat.

Sponsorship will be available for some participants. A number of awards specifically for junior African scientists will be available by competition.
Abstracts must be submitted by 11 January 1999 but an earlier reply would be appreciated. We anticipate a large response and encourage you to submit this completed form as soon as possible to secure your place.

I would like to present: A poster □ An oral presentation □

For posters and presentations, please attach an abstract of 250–300 words. The abstract should be written in electronic form by e-mail (Word or Wordperfect files preferred). The steering committee reserves the right to select submissions for oral or poster presentation. Country presentations on control programmes will be by invitation.

My paper/poster will be on the following topic: .................................................................

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I would like to receive the second announcement for this conference □

I would like further information on possible sources of sponsorship ................................

Yes □ No □

If yes, please complete the following:
1 My current research is funded by: .................................................................

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I am a junior scientist □ Yes □ No □

(i.e. first degree holder or PhD student)

2 My role in a health service or a malaria control programme is: .................................................................

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Delegates are encouraged to explore all sources of funding available to them, as the number of sponsored places will be limited.

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