

# Zimbabwe Country Brief

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

## Country Context

Zimbabwe launched their approved One Health Anti-microbial Resistance National Action Plan 2017- 2021 in 2017. This was developed by a multisectoral AMR Core Group with the support of WHO and FAO.

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

## Our Grants

### COUNTRY GRANT

Country Grantee: FAO

Sub-grantees: WHO, Biomedical Research and Training Institute, Faculty of Veterinary Science, University of Zimbabwe

Value: £4,039,627

Duration: Mar 2020 – Sep 2021

The grant's objectives include strengthening One Health governance structure for AMR, AMU and antimicrobial consumption and strengthening AMR surveillance in human health, animal health and environment sectors.

### FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

Number of fellows: 3

Host Institution: London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Value: £450,000

Duration: Oct 2018 – Oct 2021

The scheme supports the professional development of senior scientists, epidemiologists and clinicians across AMR One Health disciplines.

## 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.

**2018**

Support to WHO to provide AMR workshops

**2018**

Support to OIE for Professional Veterinary Services

**MAY 2019**

Fleming Fund scoping visit

**OCT 2019**

Request for proposal published

**MAR 2020**

Country Grant signed

## 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 consumption 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

FAO Grant: Support to implement multisectoral National Action Plans, assess AMR regulatory frameworks, build laboratory capacity related to food and agriculture and conduct advocacy and behaviour change campaigns.

Value: £8,500,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 – Mar 2020