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Dr. Blanché Oguti is currently a Clinical Research Fellow at the Oxford Vaccine Group, working on Meningococcal B, Ebola Virus Disease and Plague phase I clinical trials. Her research group has expertise in typhoid challenge studies and she is part of the clinical team on these trials. After graduating from medical school she moved to India for 6 months to do an internship in tropical dermatology, which sparked her interest in tropical medicine. She returned to the UK to complete foundation training in various specialties including infectious diseases, emergency medicine and medical microbiology. She spent 7 months at the Institute of Tropical Medicine in Belgium, learning about microscopy, parasitology and public health. Subsequently, she enrolled at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine to do a Masters in Tropical Medicine and International Health, followed by a Masters in Epidemiology, where she gained skills in advanced statistics. At the London School she had the opportunity to go to Ghana to carry out a survey-based research project on Yaws in the rural communities; a community engagement project designed to support the WHO Yaws Eradication Programme. Blanché then spent 2 years as a Core Medical Trainee in North West London and passed the examinations to become a Member of the Royal College of Physicians in 2018, before entering the field of adult vaccinology at Oxford University.



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