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To
Ary Faraji, PhD
Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District
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Dear Ary,

Re: Invitation the 9th PAMCA Annual Conference & Exhibition, September 17-21, 2023, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

On behalf of the Pan-African Mosquito Control Association (PAMCA) and the Local Organizing Committee of the PAMCA Annual Conference & Exhibition in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, I have the pleasure to invite you to attend the 9th edition of the PAMCA Annual Conference & Exhibition to be held at Skylight Hotel, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The PAMCA Annual Conference and Exhibition, a flagship meeting of the organization, brings together participants from diverse fields including research and public health entomology, government agencies, non-governmental agencies, academia, private industry, affected communities, to share experiences and advances in VBDs and to adopt best practices for surveillance, control and elimination of vector-borne diseases in Africa.

As a ranking delegation of the AMCA leadership, I wish to confirm that PAMCA will accord you complimentary registration to the conference.

Additional information on the conference, including registration and programming are available on the PAMCA conference [website](#)

We are pleased to welcome you to Ethiopian, the cradle of humanity, we hope you enjoy the full measure of Ethiopian hospitality and ambiance during your stay.

Should you need any additional information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Our symposium will be entitled **"Larval Source Management, a Tale of Two Continents: Integrated Vector Management in North America and Africa"**.

As the momentum and effort to reduce malaria transmission in Africa has begun to move beyond the key component focus on long-lasting insecticide treated bed nets (LLINs) and indoor residual spraying (IRS), controlling *Anopheles* mosquitoes in the larval stage before they can become vectors can also be a key component of vector management. This symposium will highlight current approaches for integrated vector management (IVM) with an emphasis on larval source management (LSM) in the United States and also include African programs conducting IVM and LSM. Symposium speakers will exhibit how LSM is conducted in the USA, on a large scale, and also emphasize the good work that is being conducted in Africa utilizing LSM. This symposium will hopefully serve to increase collaborations and partnerships between the North American and African continents regarding mosquito control.

The symposium will consist of 8 speakers with 10 minutes each for talks. The entire session will consist of 90 minutes total.

The lineup of speakers includes:

1. Ary Faraji from Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District in Utah, USA.
2. Mark Breidenbaugh from Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District in California, USA.
3. Marc Clifton from North Shore Mosquito Abatement District in Illinois, USA.
4. Mark Smith from Metropolitan Mosquito Control District in Minnesota (biggest users of Bti in the USA).
5. Lyell Clarke from Clarke Mosquito Control (will cover private industry and the services provided and how this interlays with government agencies and others).

6. Mohamed Traore and Gunter Mueller from University of Bamako in Mali (will cover a new LSM and IVM project in Mali).

7. Keziah Malm from Ghana Health Service will cover LSM and IVM from Ghana.

8. Emmanuel Hakizimana from Rwanda Biomedical Centre Ministry of Health will cover LSM and malaria control in Rwanda (hopefully drones as well).

I am also holding someone from Cameroon and Kenya as a backup in case anyone from the above drops off.