



 **Solthis**
THERAPEUTIC SOLIDARITY
& INITIATIVES AGAINST AIDS

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Our commitment

Solthis is an international medical association entirely dedicated to patients with HIV/AIDS in developing countries. Founded in July 2003 by Professors Christine Katlama, Gilles Brücker, Brigitte Autran and Patrice Debré, Solthis intervenes thanks to the support of the Bettencourt Schueller Foundation.

In the countries where it works, Solthis' goal is to provide capacity building for healthcare systems in order to facilitate **access to high quality, sustainable treatment for all patients living with HIV/AIDS.**

All actions and programs are defined in consultation with a scientific **working group** composed of experts in HIV/AIDS, foreign aid and development.

With a view toward development overall, and thanks to the daily presence of its teams in the field, **Solthis provides *in situ* technical support to health care professionals and national stakeholders,** be they public or private, in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

Solthis is attached to the principle of “**non substitution**” and the sharing of expertise. Solthis teams do not take the place of national participants.



Our activities



Solthis has built its intervention strategy around **five priority areas**:

- healthcare providers (medical and paramedical)
- laboratories and other technical platforms
- pharmacies (procurement, supply chain management)
- management of health data
- healthcare policy

These priority areas are addressed in the context of several **intervention themes**:

- HIV testing and screening
- Adult care
- prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)
- pediatric care
- treatment for co-infections (tuberculosis, hepatitis)

Solthis also works to support **decentralization** of medical treatment to outlying regions.



Our programs

Mali

Launch date:

December 2003

Locations: Bamako,
Segou, Mopti

Niger

Launch date: December 2004

Locations: Niamey, Zinder, Dosso,
Maradi, Diffa, Galmi, Dosso

Guinea

Launch date:

January 2008

Locations:

Conakry, Boke

Benin

Program dates:

2004-2007

Locations:

Atacora-Donga

Burundi

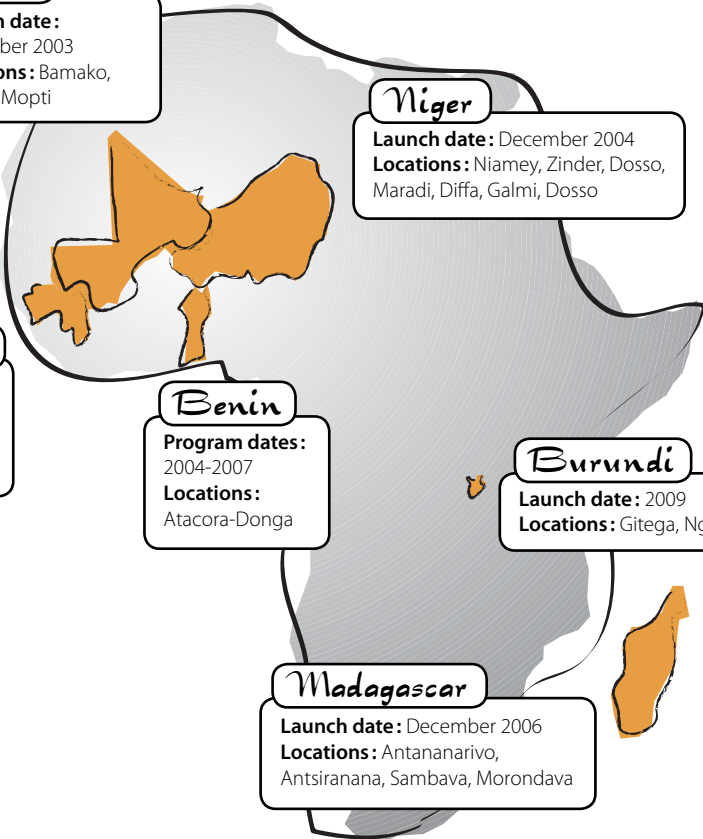
Launch date: 2009

Locations: Gitega, Ngozi

Madagascar

Launch date: December 2006

Locations: Antananarivo,
Antsiranana, Sambava, Morondava



One foot in the field,

one foot in the academy

Solthis draws upon its **network of experts in universities and hospitals** in France and abroad:

- Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital (Paris): Infectious Disease, Immunology, and Virology departments

- Necker and Bichat Teaching Hospitals (Paris) and the Bordeaux Teaching Hospital: Virology departments

- LASDEL (Niamey, Niger): the Laboratory for Study and Research on Social Dynamics and Local Development

- Institut Pasteur (Paris): Unit on the Epidemiology of Emerging Diseases

- Sciences-Po (Paris): Master's program in Economic Development

- ISPED (Bordeaux): Institute for Public Health, Epidemiology, and Development

- ANRS (Paris): French National Agency for Research on AIDS and Viral Hepatitis

- ANECA: African Network for Care of People Living with HIV/AIDS



Solthis also develops partnerships with multiple actors in the field, such as Doctors Without Borders, the Global Fund, the WHO and the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Solthis is a member of **Coordination Sud**, the largest platform of French NGOs working on international development, and participates in other collectives of NGOs working on issues related to HIV/AIDS.



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