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African Research And Innovative  
Initiative For Sickle Cell Education

## WHAT'S NEW

### NEW REVIEW ON VOXELOTOR FOR THE TREATMENT OF HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA



Dear All,  
we are pleased to announce you that the **Expert review of voxelotor for the treatment of hemolytic anemia in patients with sickle cell disease: 'bridging the gap between laboratory data and patient related outcomes'** has been just published in the Expert Review of Hematology journal. It aims to examine the **evidence supporting the laboratory and clinical benefits** of voxelotor in Sickle Cell Disease.

Authors recommend offering and optimizing hydroxycarbamide therapy and consider voxelotor in situations with severe anemia and related sequelae affecting the brain or kidney.

[Read the article](#)

## WHERE WE ARE

**38**

Completed secondments

**17**

Ongoing secondments

### LEONOR SOMBREIRO'S EXPERIENCE IN LISBON: ISOELECTRIC FOCUSING TRAINING COURSE



Leonor shared her experience within **Work Package 3** at Instituto Politécnico de Lisboa - IPL in **Portugal**.

"In relation to the **training course of Isoelectric focusing**, it was a very fruitful experience, I learned to identify hemoglobins and their respective variants. Given the high rate of sickle cell disease cases in Angola, **new methodologies** are important for both **mass screening and identification of other hemoglobin variants**. The methodology of the course was very didactic both in the theoretical component and in the practical component."

[Read the full blog](#)



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