

# AFRICA RESEARCH EXCELLENCE FUND

England & Wales · Charity number 1193865

## Details

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**Other names** AREF

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Charitable company

**Company number** [13219209](#)

**Registered** 2021-03-19

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ARE TO PROMOTE MEDICAL RESEARCH IN AFRICA FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BY:(A) PROVIDING EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO:(I) ARE CITIZENS OF A COUNTRY IN AFRICA; AND (II) ARE ASPIRING TO, OR HAVE ALREADY EMBARKED UPON, A CAREER IN MEDICAL RESEARCH IN AFRICA; AND (III) MEET ANY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA THE TRUSTEES MAY AGREE FROM TIME TO TIME;(B) PROMOTING EXCELLENCE IN MEDICAL RESEARCH TRAINING IN AFRICA; AND(C) PROMOTING THE USE OF HIGH QUALITY MEDICAL RESEARCH EVIDENCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH POLICIES AND PRACTICES IN AFRICA.

**Activities:** The Africa Research Excellence Fund promotes medical research in Africa for the public benefit by providing education and training opportunities for individuals who are citizens of a country in Africa and are aspiring to, or have already embarked on, a career in medical research in Africa. The charity hosts training programmes and provides grants to support the development of research skills.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Angola
- Benin
- Botswana
- Burkina Faso
- Burundi
- Cameroon
- Cape Verde
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Comoros
- Congo (Democratic Republic)
- Djibouti
- Equatorial Guinea
- Eritrea
- Eswatini
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Ghana
- Guinea
- Guinea-bissau
- Ivory Coast
- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda

- Seychelles
- Sierra Leone
- Somalia
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- São Tomé And Príncipe
- Tanzania
- The Gambia
- Togo
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,012,463	£2,305,430	£5,030,143	17
2024-03-31	£5,740,550	£2,335,071	£6,323,110	12
2023-03-31	£715,194	£1,526,251	£2,918,633	9
2022-03-31	£5,118,203	£1,388,825	£3,729,375	9

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Solomon Woldenhaimanot Soquar</b>	Chair	2021-03-31
Charles Richardson Ladipo Clarke		2025-01-01
Dr Majdi Osman		2021-03-31
Pauline Anne Mullin		2021-03-31
Professor Gibril Faal		2025-01-01
Professor Tumani Prince Corrah		2024-02-24
Russell Delew		2022-05-25