

News Release

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World NTDs Day

Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) are a group of 21 diseases identified by the World Health Organization (WHO). It is reported that about 1.5 billion people, mainly middle- and low-income people living in countries in tropical developing countries, are suffering. It was given this name because research and countermeasures related to pharmaceuticals and diagnostics have been "neglected". WHO has designated January 30 as World NTDs Day to raise awareness and increase support for NTDs, which has a significant impact on the health of the poor.

In June 2022, Eiken Chemical signed the Kigali Declaration, an international public-private partnership for the control of NTDs. We aim to provide rapid and accurate diagnosis and access to more effective treatment for all people affected by NTDs. The LAMP method developed by our company is expected to be applied to pathogen detection for NTDs due to its simplicity and speed, and we have developed several LAMP reagents for NTDs detection by applying the technology cultivated in TB-LAMP and Malaria-LAMP.

We hope that this day will spread awareness of NTDs and provide an opportunity to further revitalize activities to eliminate NTDs.

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World NTDs Day 2025

The theme of World NTDs Day 2025 will continue to be "Unite. Act. Eliminate."

• WHO World NTD Day 2025

https://www.who.int/campaigns/world-ntd-day/2025

• WHO Global Report on neglected tropical diseases 2024 https://www.who.int/teams/control-of-neglected-tropical-diseases/global-report-on-neglectedtropical-diseases-2024

• Our song and dance to eliminate NTDs (2023 Production Videos) https://www.youtube.com/shorts/UolutEEhonA

In the fight to eliminate NTDs, a social relay video production event is being held to celebrate the achievements of the global community and create a positive feedback loop on social media to accelerate the efforts of other communities to eliminate NTDs. Eiken and Sustainability https://www.eiken.co.jp/sustainability/

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