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John Mwaba is a Research Fellow at the Centre for Infectious Disease Research in Zambia (CIDRZ). He graduated from the University of Zambia with a BSc in Biomedical Sciences and went on to pursue a post-graduate diploma in Medical Microbiology from the Institute for Medical Research (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia) and later an MSc in Molecular Medical Microbiology from the University of Nottingham (UK).

John has worked as a Research Scientist for a multi-country study, The Pneumonia Etiology Research for Child Health (PERCH) project, that aimed to determine the aetiology of pneumonia in children less than five years old. He was also a Research Microbiologist for the first ever oral cholera vaccine effectiveness study in Zambia during the 2016 cholera outbreak.

Under the mentorship of Dr Chilengi, John is currently working on determining specific immune responses elicited following vaccination with oral cholera vaccine (Shanchol) in the Zambian population.

His major areas of research interests are microbial pathogenesis, investigating virulence determinants of microorganisms, antibiotic resistance, and vaccinology/immunology.

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