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News update from IDRI, the Infectious Disease Research Institute

COLLABORATING TO DEVELOP A NEW TB TEST



Chitin microneedle patch

In a collaboration with University of Washington engineers, IDRI scientists are contributing to a new twist on an old test for TB.

The standard tuberculosis test is difficult to give because a needle must be inserted at a precise angle and depth. Designed as a patch, the new test features tiny, biodegradable needles made from chitin, a material found in hard outer shells of some insects and crustaceans. UW and IDRI scientists believe the new test is easier to administer and less painful. [Read More](#)

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IDRI's Rhea Coler, center, recently visited Africa, where she met with leaders from The National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR) and the Amani Research Centre, located in northeastern Tanzania.

She discussed potential collaborations for future clinical trials using IDRI adjuvants and spent some time in the field.

From Humble Beginnings...



If you look to the right of IDRI founder Steve Reed, you'll see a small printed sign, marking IDRI's first home in 1993. From our humble beginnings between a video store and a pizza joint, we have concrete progress to celebrate as we mark our 20th anniversary: diagnostics on the market, vaccines in clinical trials and drugs in development.

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Join us as we commemorate 20 years of success and showcase our new home!

5:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 21, 2013
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