#### UNIVERSITY OF NAMIBIA

## RESEARCH CENTER BORSTEL & UNAM COLLABORATIVE SEMINAR SERIES



# *Topic: Diagnostic Dilemmas: Navigating challenges in NTM detection and identification in Namibia*

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 14:00 – 15:00 (1-hour)

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 Virtual

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### **ABOUT THE SEMINAR**

This seminar aims to explore the difficulties involved in detecting and identifying Non-Tuberculous Mycobacteria (NTM) in Namibia. We'll discuss the various hurdles encountered in diagnosing NTM infections and share strategies for effectively addressing these challenges.

Whether you're a student, healthcare professional, researcher, or clinician, this seminar provides valuable insights into dealing with NTM-related issues in Namibia's healthcare system.

Don't miss this opportunity to broaden your understanding and contribute to improving NTM diagnosis in Namibia's healthcare system.

*This is Session #12 of a collaborative Seminar Series by RCB (Research Center Borstel) & UNAM.* 

### **ABOUT THE SPEAKER**

Dr. Taime Sylvester is a highly skilled molecular biologist with over a decade of experience in infectious disease immunology, assay development, and science diplomacy. Currently serving as a Research Fellow at the Group for Infectious Disease Research, she spearheads a project aimed at leveraging genomic epidemiology to enhance understanding of disease etiology, transmission dynamics, and drug-resistant pathogen evolution in Namibia.

Dr Sylvester holds a Master of Technology from Cape Peninsula University of Technology and a PhD in Molecular Biology from Stellenbosch University. Her doctorate focused on M. bovis infection in wild African lions

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