

# Kristen Aiemjoy, PhD, MSc

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## Positions

Assistant Professor - Oct 2021 -

**\*\*University of California Davis School of Medicine\*\***

**\*\*Division of Epidemiology\*\***

**\*\*Department of Public Health Sciences\*\***

Adjunct Assistant Professor - Jan 2023 -

**\*\*Mahidol University Faculty of Tropical Medicine\*\***

**\*\*Department of Microbiology and Immunology\*\***

**\*\*Bangkok, Thailand\*\***

Visiting Scientist - June 2022 -

**\*\*Mahidol Oxford Tropical Medicine Research Unit\*\***

**\*\*Epidemiology Unit\*\***

**\*\*Bangkok, Thailand\*\***

Postdoctoral Research Fellow - 2018 - 2021

**\*\*Stanford University School of Medicine\*\***

**\*\*Division of Infectious Diseases and Geographic Medicine\*\***

## Education

**University of California San Francisco** — 2013 - 2018

*PhD Epidemiology*

Thesis: *Serologic approaches to trachoma surveillance and the estimation of force of infection*

**London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine** — 2010 - 2011

*MSc Public Health*

**Georgetown University, Walsh School of Foreign Service** — 2006 - 2010

*BSc Foreign Service & Global health, Cum Laude*

## Publications

Saiprom N, Nimnuan-ngam S, Phunpang R, Schildhauer SH, Morrison AC, Driemeyer C, Hennig N, Vaidya K, Tran V, Blacksell SD, Limmathurotsakul D, Bougnom BP, Aiemjoy K, Seidman JC, Pan-ngum W, Suttinont C, Blumberg S. Multiplex serosurveillance for Japanese encephalitis virus, dengue virus, *Leptospira* spp., and Plaut's murine typhus in rural northeastern Thailand. *In preparation*

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## Invited Presentations

- Mahidol University Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Bangkok, Thailand. “Antibody dynamics and serosurveillance for enteric fever.” 2024.
- Aga Khan University, Karachi, Pakistan. “Antibody dynamics and serosurveillance for enteric fever.” 2023.
- Dhulikhel Hospital, Kathmandu University, Nepal. “Antibody dynamics and serosurveillance for enteric fever.” 2023.
- National Academy of Sciences Workshop on Serological Assays, Washington, DC. “Serosurveillance for enteric fever” 2022.
- Mahidol Oxford Tropical Medicine Research Unit, Bangkok, Thailand. “Establishing a seroepidemiology lab in Bangkok.” 2022.
- The AIDS Support Organization (TASO), Entebbe, Uganda. “Developing adolescent-friendly sexual and reproductive health services in a Ugandan catholic school.” 2012.
- Médecins Sans Frontières, London, UK. “Developing adolescent-friendly SRH services in a Ugandan catholic school.” 2012.

## Scientific Conference Presentations

- American Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene (ASTMH) Annual Meeting, 2024. “Enteric Fever Incidence in children in South Asia” Oral presentation.
- ASTMH Annual Meeting, 2024. “Environmental surveillance for Salmonella Typhi and Paratyphi in Nepal.” Oral presentation.
- ASTMH Annual Meeting, 2023. “Scrub typhus seroepidemiology and serosurveillance.” Oral presentation.
- ASTMH Annual Meeting, 2023. “Typhoid serosurveillance using antibody dynamics.” Oral presentation.
- ASTMH Annual Meeting, 2022. “Estimation of enteric fever incidence from community-based serosurveys.” Oral presentation.
- ASTMH Annual Meeting, 2021. “Recurrent enteric fever infections in children in South Asia.” Oral presentation.
- International Conference on Typhoid & Other Invasive Salmonellosis, 2021. “Estimating typhoid incidence from serosurveys in LMICs.” Oral presentation.
- International Conference on Typhoid & Other Invasive Salmonellosis, 2019. “Serological incidence estimation of typhoid in LMICs.” Oral presentation.
- APHA Annual Meeting, 2018. “Student-led project to increase youth utilization of SRH services at a California high school.” Poster.
- APHA Annual Meeting, 2015. “Water aid point sources in Guangdong Province, China.” Poster.
- UCSF Global Health Day, 2014. “Trachoma serology and seroconversion rate measurement in Amhara, Ethiopia.” Poster.

## Conference Symposia and workshops

- Organizer/Chair, Symposium on “Serosurveillance for typhoid and other enteric infections”, ASTMH 2024.
- Co-organizer, Workshop on “Serologic tools for enteric fever surveillance”, Typhoid Conference 2023.
- Panelist, Workshop on “Seroepidemiologic methods for neglected tropical diseases”, ASTMH 2022.

## Grants and Fellowships

K01-TW012177: Estimating the Seroincidence of Melioidosis, Typhoid Fever and Scrub Typhus from Antibody Dynamics

Role: Principal Investigator

Funder: NIH Fogarty International Center

Years: 2021–2026

R21-AI162934: Antibody dynamics and serosurveillance for enteric fever in South Asia

Role: Co-Investigator

Funder: NIAID

Years: 2021–2024

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation: Seroepidemiology platform for enteric infections

Role: Co-Investigator

Years: 2023–2026

Thrasher Research Fund Early Career Award

Project: Serologic tools for scrub typhus surveillance in Nepal

Role: Principal Investigator

Multiple additional internal UC Davis and Mahidol University seed grants, pilot awards, and trainee awards as in original CV.

## Additional Research Experience

Research Fellow — 2013–2018

**UCSF Francis I. Proctor Foundation for Research in Ophthalmology**

Epidemiology and seroepidemiology of trachoma and neglected tropical diseases; implementation research and field surveys in Ethiopia, Niger, and other settings.

Research Coordinator — 2011–2013

**The AIDS Support Organization (TASO)**, Uganda

Led adolescent sexual and reproductive health intervention design and evaluation; qualitative and quantitative data collection; health services research.

Student Researcher — 2011

**Ifakara Health Institute**

*Tanzania*

Student Researcher — 2011

**The AIDS Support Organization (TASO)**

*Uganda*

## Honors and Awards

Coalition Against Typhoid, Female Leader in Typhoid - 2024

NIH Fogarty K01 Mentored Research Scientist Development Award - 2021

Thrasher Research Fund Early Career Award - 2019

LSHTM Trust Scholarship - 2010-2011

Chadwick Trust Traveling Fellowship - 2011

Cum Laude, Georgetown University - 2010

## Media Coverage

The importance of inclusivity to take on typhoid (<https://www.coalitionagainsttyphoid.org/the-importance-of-inclusivity-to-take-on-typhoid/>) Coalition Against Typhoid - 03/07/24

Environmental sampling detects typhoid bacteria in Nepal (<https://www.coalitionagainsttyphoid.org/environmental-sampling-detects-typhoid-bacteria-in-nepal/>) Coalition Against Typhoid - 11/28/23

Typhoid mutated to beat antibiotics. Science is learning how to beat those strains (<https://www.coalitionagainsttyphoid.org/typhoid-mutated-to-beat-antibiotics-science-is-learning-how-to-beat-those-strain/>) NPR - 07/28/22

Easier, more accurate method to detect typhoid infections demonstrated by new study (<https://www.coalitionagainsttyphoid.org/easier-more-accurate-method-to-detect-typhoid-infections-demonstrated-by-new-study/>) UC Davis Health News - 06/29/22

New Technique Detects Typhoid Infections Faster (<https://www.technologynetworks.com/diagnostics/news/new-technique-detects-typhoid-infections-faster-363193>) Technology Networks: Diagnostics - 06/30/22

Reality bite: How a UC Davis epidemiologist is balancing her research and family life (<https://www.coalitionagainsttyphoid.org/reality-bite-how-a-uc-davis-epidemiologist-is-balancing-her-research-and-family-life/>) UC Davis Health News - 12/03/24

How a simple blood test could help control enteric fever (<https://scopeblog.stanford.edu/2022/07/typhoid-one-finger-prick-at-a-time/>) Stanford Medicine Scope - 07/06/22

Typhoid detection technique improves diagnostic sensitivity (<https://www.medgadget.com/2022/07/typhoid-detection-technique-improves-diagnostic-sensitivity.html>) medgadget - 07/12/22