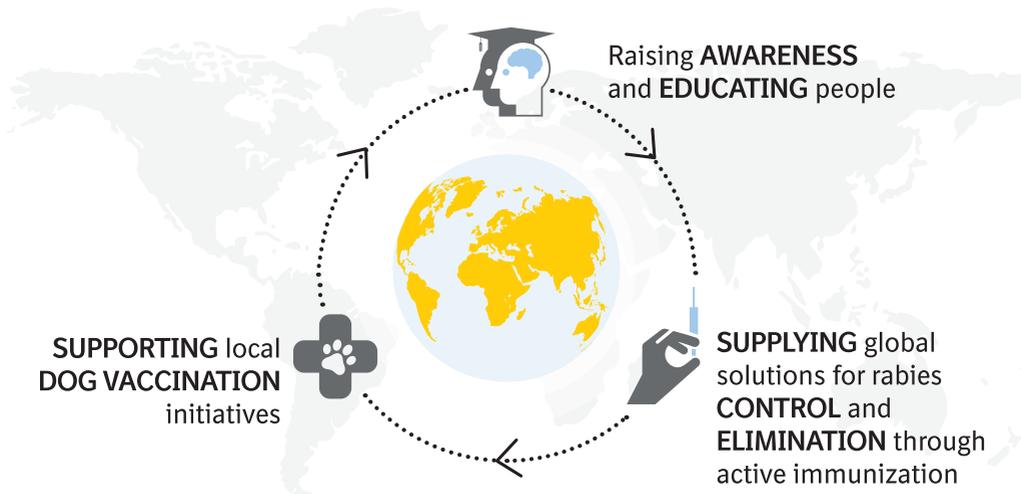


JOINING FORCES AGAINST RABIES

BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM,
global leader in rabies prevention, is joining forces with
veterinarians, pet owners and major professional
and health organizations.



Committed to the global effort of eliminating rabies, **BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM**'s approach combines public education and vaccination of pets, wildlife and livestock to prevent this fatal disease, and ultimately protect lives.



Rabies still kills thousands of people every year.

It is common in more than 150 countries, and
40% of victims are children in Asia and Africa



Vaccinating dogs is the most effective strategy for preventing rabies in people, because it stops the transmission at its source.

**Help protect yourself and your community -
get your dog vaccinated against rabies**

**With vaccination, education, and rabies
monitoring, together we can STOP Rabies**

Building on over 30 years of experience working in rabies prevention and management, STOP Rabies is a program launched by Boehringer Ingelheim to contribute our expertise and heritage towards achieving the joint World Health Organization (WHO), World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC) Zero by 30 global goal.



RABIES IS **99.9%** FATAL¹ ...

Rabies remains a threat to **ALL OF US**

 Endemic in **150** COUNTRIES²

 **≈40%** of victims are CHILDREN²

 **5.5 billion** people AT RISK worldwide¹

Rabies is a neglected **DISEASE**

 **1** person DIES every 9 minutes³

 **29 million** people worldwide receive a post-bite vaccination every year⁴

 **8.6 billion** US dollars economic LOSSES annually

...BUT **100%** PREVENTABLE⁵

RABIES CAN BE PREVENTED BY:

- Raising disease **AWARENESS** and **EDUCATING** people
- **VACCINATING** pets, wildlife, livestock and humans



- Dog vaccination is the most **EFFICIENT** way to eliminate human rabies⁵
- At least **70%** of dogs should be vaccinated to effectively reduce human risk of rabies⁵

JOINING FORCES IN THE GLOBAL FIGHT AGAINST RABIES

Interview with Professor Louis Nel

Professor Nel is the Executive Director of the Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC) and a driving force behind the annual World Rabies Day.



Q What is the current situation concerning rabies throughout the world?

A. The latest estimate is that rabies causes at least **59,000 human deaths every year**. It is most rampant in Africa and Asia, with Asia having the largest number of cases. About 99% of canine rabies problems come from these two regions.

Q How have World Rabies Day and the Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC) contributed in the fight against rabies?

A. World Rabies Day was created by GARC in 2007 and has been very helpful to create more awareness worldwide. Moreover, GARC has successfully brought together many organizations, creating partners in rabies prevention. **Rabies prevention requires a global community effort.**

Q How can people protect themselves against rabies?

A. **It is crucial that we vaccinate dogs.** A vaccinated dog becomes your soldier in the fight against rabies, because it is the blood of a vaccinated dog that stops and kills the virus. Education and awareness about the disease can also make a huge difference. People who are educated and aware about rabies know how to protect themselves, especially in the case of a dog bite.

Q What is your wish for the future?

A. We must work together and understand that rabies control is for the global good. **We need to eliminate canine rabies - it is possible and it can be done.** The One Health approach, which encourages coordination between animal and human health sectors, is also crucial **in the fight to end rabies.**

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