

limitations in our knowledge. Additional basic and operational research was strongly urged. Some participants expressed concern over the use of the term "elimination," on the grounds that the distinctions between elimination and control and elimination and eradication were unclear. Further discussion and possible revision of these terms were recommended.

In summary, the conference provided a multidisciplinary forum for addressing issues around elimination and eradication and their relationship to sustainable health development. There was widespread agreement that an eradication program could have many positive effects on systems development and that explicit efforts should be made to maximize these positive effects as well as to minimize any negative effects. Community mobilization and organization should be seen as a component of sustainable health development, with the additional potential for disease control and eradication. The conclusions and recommendations of the conference should be brought to other forums to expand international health goals and strengthen the mutual ties between sustainable health development and disease control, elimination, and eradication.

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Erratum

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In the article, "Emerging Infectious Diseases—Brazil," by Hooman Momen, on page 3 the last sentence of the next-to-the-last paragraph should read, "The existing, generally passive epidemiologic surveillance system produces information that arrives too late to be effective; however, a number of measures, if implemented immediately, can mitigate the impact of any future epidemic: a containment laboratory (biosafety level 4) that can handle known and unknown microbes of high virulence; at least one infirmary, properly designed and fully equipped, to treat highly contagious and virulent diseases (the current lack of this facility poses a great danger to the population should an outbreak of such a disease occur); and a mobile multidisciplinary task force, including epidemiologists, microbiologists, entomologists, and clinicians, ready to investigate suspected disease outbreaks on short notice."