



A training programme on visceral leishmaniasis management with special focus on AmBisome storage, transport, preparation and administration of the drug, as well as Pharmacovigilance was conducted from 10 to 12 December 2012 in Khartoum, Sudan.

The training for health workers from endemic treatment sites, including non-government organizations particularly MSF and other institutions was organized by the Ministry of Health with support from the World Health Organization. Two participants from South Sudan's leishmaniasis national control program were as well invited.

Participation and involvement of 25 health workers was high, including program coordinators from national control program and States. The drug will arrive soon to the country after readiness of the treatment sites is assured.

Leishmaniasis is a parasitic disease, transmitted by sandflies and extended in nearly 100 countries in the world. There are mainly two forms of the disease, cutaneous leishmaniasis, highly stigmatizing and causing disfiguration, and visceral leishmaniasis, which is fatal without appropriate treatment.

