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## **Annual Scientific Conference & Gathering**

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## **Environmental Virology**, **Exposomics and Epigenetics**

Old Great Hall, College of Medicine, University of Lagos, Idi Araba, **Lagos State** 

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**SUBTHEMES** 

Non-communicable diseases: environmental and genetic influences
Public health financing and resource limitation

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SPECIAL GUEST OF HONOUR

Dr. Olajide Idris

Honourable Commissioner for Health, Lagos State

**GUEST SPEAKER** 

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Professor of Virology
College of Medicine, University of Lagos

#### **VENUE**

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### MOTOR CYCLE EXTREMITY INJURIES POST-RESTRICTION OF COMMERCIAL MOTOR CYCLE RIDERS IN LAGOS: OUR EXPERIENCE IN LUTH.

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**Background:** Injuries of the extremity are most common following motorcycle accidents. The Lagos State Government enacted a law on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2012to restrict commercial motorcycle riders from plying 475 roads, bridges, expressway and double carriage roads in Lagos with the aim of reducing the incidence of motorcycle-related road traffic accident (RTA). This study evaluated the frequency of motorcycle extremity injuries and associated injuries in patients with motorcycle-related extremity injuries in Lagos.

**Methods:** This was a 1 year prospective study of all patients that presented at the Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH) with motorcycle extremity injury.

Results: Two hundred and eighty-five (285) road traffic accident (RTA) victims were seen during the period of this study. One hundred and forty-one (49.5%) patients sustained injuries to the extremities from motorcycle accident. The male: female (M: F) ratio was 2.8:1. The peak age was 30-39 years in 46 (32.6%) patients with a mean age of 31.8±16.1 years. Majority 56 (39.7%) of the victims were motorcycle riders. Motor vehicular – motorcycle collision 60 (42.6%) was the commonest mechanism of injury. One hundred and sixty-one (161) extremity injuries occurred with abrasions as the commonest type of injury in 90 (55.9%) patients followed by fractures in 55 (34.2%). Combined tibia and fibula fracture was the commonest type of fracture and occurred in 33 (60.0%). One hundred and one (101) patients had associated injuries with head injury 95 (94.1%) as the most frequent association. Twenty-four (17.0%) mortalities were recorded.

**Conclusions:** Despite commercial motorcycle restriction in Lagos, motorcycle accident still accounts for a major cause of road traffic accidents. Therefore, strict enforcement of the traffic law will reduce morbidity and mortality associated with motorcycle accidents.

Keywords: Motor cycle accidents, trauma, fractures, Lagos, road traffic accidents