

# Our figures

	2022	2021	2020
<b>ITM in the world</b>			
Institutional partners	26	19	19
Reference laboratories	13	13	14
Diagnostic tests sent across the world*	1,198,605	2,215,841	2,098,004
<b>Staff at ITM</b>			
Academic, scientific and medical staff	492	488	447
Administrative and technical staff	202	194	166
Administrative and technical staff	290	294	281
Male/female (M/F) ratio (%)	32/68	35/65	33/67
M/F ratio executive academic, scientific and medical staff (%)	51/49	54/46	57/43
M/F ratio academic, scientific and medical staff (%)	34/66	36/64	33/67
M/F ratio administrative and technical staff (%)	29/71	29/71	29/71
<b>Research</b>			
<b>Scientific excellence and impact</b>			
Papers in scientific journals	397	422	387
New international research projects	35	41	61
International research consortia led by ITM	11	7	9
Innovative research projects running with the support of Flanders	20	23	20
Clinical trials coordinated by ITM**	32 (18+6+8)	29 (16+6+7)	12
Number of ongoing competitively awarded research projects, incl. FWO, H2020, Horizon Europe, NIH,... (cumulative)	54	51	59
Number of publicly accessible policy documents, guidelines and recommendations based on ITM research and expertise	20	17	14
Number of ongoing (cumulative) ITM FWO aspirants and mandates, MSCA, HSFP, EMBO or ERC grants, seal of excellence,...	21	23	20

\* Due to the presence of a new Scientific Head in the Unit of Applied Technology & Production, the way of calculating the numbers changed in 2021.

\*\* From 2021 onwards we combine the clinical, interventional and observational studies in our reporting.

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<b>Education</b>			
<b>Master's</b>			
Master's students	74	67	62
MSc in Public Health	35	43	43
MSc in Tropical Medicine	15	18	
MSc in Tropical Animal Health	24	19	19
Nationalities			
Belgian	4	2	4
Other EU countries	4	1	2
Non-EU countries	66	64	56
<b>Postgraduate</b>			
Postgraduate students	93	108	45
Postgraduate Tropical Medicine for Bachelors in Nursing and Midwifery	61	75	0
Postgraduate Certificate in Tropical Medicine and International Health	32	33	45
Nationalities			
Belgian	62	75	36
Other EU countries	30	32	7
Non-EU countries	1	1	2
<b>Short courses</b>			
Short course students	171	217	121
Nationalities			
Belgian	25	44	17
Other EU countries	23	15	11
Non-EU countries	123	158	93
<b>PhD students</b>			
Ongoing PhD's at ITM (31/12/2022)	102	101	80
Nationalities			
Belgian	23	21	18
Other EU countries	17	20	9
Non-EU countries	62	60	53
PhD dissertations in 2022	13	5	16
<b>Interns and master's thesis students</b>			
Interns	57	50	109
Nationalities			
Belgian	39	38	37
Other EU countries	14	7	14
Non-EU countries	4	5	58
Master's thesis students*	12	16	10
Nationalities			
Belgian	5	9	5
Other EU countries	6	2	3
Non-EU countries	1	5	2

\* University students who have written their Master's theses at ITM.

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<b>Infectious Diseases ward at UZA</b>			
Patients admitted in the Infectious Diseases Ward	336	348	486, predominantly COVID-19
<b>Acquired HIV infections</b>			
<b>HIV reference centre</b>			
Patients in follow-up	3,174	3,113	3,008
Average age	49	49	48
Nationality (%)	Europe & North America 67% Asia 4% Africa 21% Latin America 6% Unknown 2%	Europe & North America 67% Asia 4% Africa 22% Latin America 5% Unknown 2%	Europe & North America 67% Asia 4% Africa 22% Latin America 5% Unknown 2%
Gender ratio (M/F %)	75/25	75/25	75/25
Number of newly registered HIV patients	169	127	148
<b>Helpcenter - Low-threshold centre</b>			
Unique visitors	1,997	1,760	1,496
Priority target groups	MSM: 593 (32%) Migrants (outside Europe): 747 (40%) Commercial sex workers (CSW): 35 (2%) Clients of CSW: 108 (6%) High risk: IVDU (intravenous drug users): 11 (0,6%) Persons with occasional sexual contacts: 1,670 (90%) Group sex: 969 (52%)	MSM: 637 Migrants (outside Europe): 352 Commercial sex workers (CSW): 30 Clients of CSW: 92 High risk: IVDU (intravenous drug users), Persons with occasional sexual contacts, Group sex: 1614	MSM: 401 Migrants (outside Europe): 607 Commercial sex workers (CSW): 23 Clients of CSW: 93 IVDU (intravenous drug users): 9 Persons with occasional sexual contacts: 1,216 Group sex: 764
HIV tests performed	2,229	1,063	381
Newly diagnosed HIV infections	10	11	6
<b>Swab2Know programme</b>			
Collected oral fluid tests	207	369	417
Newly diagnosed HIV infections. 2021 onwards: reactive samples	1	5	2

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<b>Medical services</b>			
<b>Consultations</b>			
Consultations	40,252	33,029	28,864
HIV (%)	17%	20%	14%
PrEP (%)	12%	13%	9%
STD (%)	7%	11%	10%
Pre-travel (%)	40%	34%	21%
Helpcenter (%)	5%	6%	7%
Post-travel, pediatrics (%)	9%	10%	13%
Nurses	9%	7%	
COVID-19 (%)			17%
By phone (%)			9%
<b>Patient samples</b>			
Analyses*	507,644 analyses for 37,865 patient contacts	459,612 analyses for 38,627 patient contacts	472,470 analyses for 41,093 patient contacts
Analyses as National Reference Centre for the Diagnosis of Infectious and Tropical Diseases	98,107	86,263	78,039
Newly diagnosed HIV infections in the National HIV/STD Reference Laboratory	355	270	272
<b>Travel medicine</b>			
Visitors and patients for travel advice and vaccinations	16,304	11,008	6,159
Administered vaccinations	33,106	17,098	15,031
Top 5 diseases for which visitors got vaccinated (%)	1. Yellow fever 24% 2. Hepatitis A 19% 3. Polio 14% 4. Diphtheria 7% 5. Tetanus 7%	1. Yellow fever 26% 2. Hepatitis A 17% 3. Polio 12% 4. Diphtheria 10% 5. Tetanus 10%	1. Yellow fever 30% 2. Hepatitis A 22% 3. Tetanus & diphtheria 17% 4. Polio & pertussis 14% 5. Rabies 7%
People returning from the South who came to our clinic with medical symptoms**	3,311	3,670	3,694
The most common diseases	1. Diarrhoea (acute/chronic): 10.5% 2. Malaria ( <i>P. falciparum</i> ): 7.7% 3. Mpox: 7.5% 4. Dengue, uncomplicated: 3.5% 5. Scabies: 3.3%	1. Malaria: 13.5% 2. Diarrhea (acute/chronic): 11.7% 3. Schistosomiasis: 10.9% 4. Skin/soft tissue infection: 6.9% 5. Scabies: 6.5% 6. NB: COVID-19: 2.6%	1. COVID-19: 21.57% 2. Diarrhea (acute/chronic): 10.78% 3. Schistosomiasis: 9.8% 4. Malaria: 4.9% 5. Skin/soft tissue infection: 4.9%
Page views on Wanda - Travel in good health (website)	743,334	263,514	487,136
New users in Wanda - Travel in good health (app)	15,576	9,436	19,856
User engagement in Wanda - Travel in good health (app)	130,216	92,981	120,606

\* In 2021, we refined our counting methods which give more accurate results.

\*\* Figures in past years show the number of consultations. In 2022 they show the unique number of visitors. Therefore, the figure is lower, while consultations are around 4,000.