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Canaries in the Coal Mine: using travelers to understand transmission and movement of infectious diseases

Dr. Libman is a specialist in Infectious Diseases and Medical Microbiology, based at the Glen. He directs the Centre for Tropical Diseases, which combines pre- and post-travel clinics with diagnostic resources in the clinical labs and the reference lab based at the MUHC-RI, as well as academic work in the Department of Epidemiology, Biostatistics, and Occupational Health and the Institute of Parasitology. He has been a site director for the GeoSentinel Network since 2006, and co-PI of the project since 2019. The Network consists of 68 specialized tropical and travel medicine clinics around the world. The mission is to monitor imported infections among travelers and migrants in near-real time. The objectives are to provide sentinel surveillance of infections that are new, emerging, or changing, as well as to understand the epidemiology of imported infections. He is also the chair of the Committee to Advise on Tropical Medicine and Travel for the Public Health Agency of Canada, which provides guidance to clinicians on behalf of the Agency.

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