

## Global symposium award goes to ITM PhD student

Ona Ilozumba wins the “best student poster award” at the 4th Global Symposium on Health Systems Research

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Dit is de omschrijving

Ona Ilozumba won the “best student poster award” at the [4th Global Symposium on Health Systems Research](#) for her poster entitled “A Mixed Methods Study: Community Health Workers Utilization of Mobile Health Technology in Improving Knowledge and Health Seeking Behavior of Pregnant Women.”

As a fellow in the Erasmus Mundus programme, Ona Ilozumba works both at the VU University Amsterdam and the Institute of Tropical Medicine in Antwerp on her doctoral project around mobile health technologies. Ona began her PhD in September 2014, and her work focuses on using a realist inquiry lens. The project explores what worked, for whom and how to understand the effects of (mHealth) technology in improving maternal health care knowledge and behaviour. Her empirical research and data collection is located in India and Uganda.

Ona cooperates with Jacqueline E.W. Broerse (Athena Institute, VU University Amsterdam) Marjolein Dieleman (KIT, Amsterdam) and Bruno Marchal and Sara Van Belle (ITM). She also works in collaboration with Dutch and local NGO’s in the research locations.

The [Trans Global Health programme](#) is a part of the Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate Programme and focuses on health threats to vulnerable populations that often face complex, interwoven problems such as poverty, inequity and co-morbidity.