PULMONARY HYPERTENSION

(High blood pressure in lungs)

Affects
75 million
people globally /
approx. 80% living
in low-income
and middle-income
countries (LMICs)

75 million people



6 common
causes in LMICs
(HIV, bilharzia,
heart failure,
chronic lung
disease, blood clots
in the lungs and
blood disorders)

6 common causes





In SA, risk of pulmonary hypertension increases because of HIV, bilharzia, TB and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease 8/10
cases in LMICs
remain undiagnosed



Opportunities to research, define and investigate drivers of the disease in LMICs



Need for a clearer overview of the total number of cases (newly diagnosed and existing) by using national registries and frequently reviewing national databases in LMICs