A network across West, East and Southern Africa which aims to;

- **1. Build** sustainable capacity in Musculoskeletal Health Research by creating a collaborative research platform to share learning
- 2. Inform health policy, promote training, knowledge transfer and public engagement for Musculoskeletal disease through the life course
- **3. Provide** guidance to standardise methods for Musculoskeletal assessment across SSA

Current activities:

- Musculoskeletal training workshop in Harare (19-22 March 2018)
- Establishing incidence of hip fracture in South Africa & Zimbabwe, and post-fracture outcomes. Data will calibrate fracture risk assessment tools
- Determining impact of HIV and ART on bone and muscle health in children and adults
- SAMSON logo competition
- SAMSON open to new partners



