

# Gearing up for PrEP 2.0 – Can scientific and other innovations transform PrEP into a more powerful game changer across key populations?

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## **PrEP 2.0 – Second generation HIV prevention drugs**

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## Overview

- Oral PrEP medications
  - Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate/emtricitabine (TDF/FTC)
  - Tenofovir alafenamide/emtricitabine (TAF/FTC)
  - Maraviroc (MVC)
- Injectable PrEP medications
  - Cabotegravir long-acting (CAB LA)
  - Rilpivirine long-acting (RPV LA)
  - VRC01
- PrEP implementation in the United States



## TDF/FTC as a daily pill to prevent HIV is effective

- Safe, well tolerated, highly effective when taken daily
  - Long half-life with protection from 4 doses per week
- Why do we need 2<sup>nd</sup> generation PrEP medications?
  - Infrequent toxicity with TDF/FTC
    - Renal function
    - Bone density
  - Challenges with adherence to daily oral PrEP

# European studies demonstrated efficacy of TDF/FTC in MSM

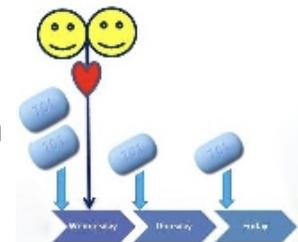
## ■ PROUD

- Open-label randomized clinical trial in 13 sexual health clinics
- Control arm that deferred access to PrEP for one year
- Reduced risk of HIV infection by 86%



## ■ IPERGAY

- Event-driven 3-day regimen of TDF/FTC before and after sex
- Reduced risk of HIV infection by 86%; 97% reduction in open-label extension
- Study participants took TDF/FTC 4 times per week
- Equipoise exists for whether efficacy would be as high with less frequent sexual encounters



# Clinical trials of investigational PrEP drugs – oral

Drug	Sponsor	Phase	Population	Location	Primary outcome(s)	Completion date
Oral drugs						
TAF/FTC	CONRAD	1	Women	United States Dominican Republic	Pharmacokinetics Pharmacodynamics	December 2017
TAF/FTC	Gilead Sciences	3	MSM TGW	United States Canada Europe	Safety Efficacy	September 2020
MVC	NIAD	2	MSM Women	United States Puerto Rico	Safety Tolerability	November 2015

# Clinical trials of investigational PrEP drugs – injectable long-acting

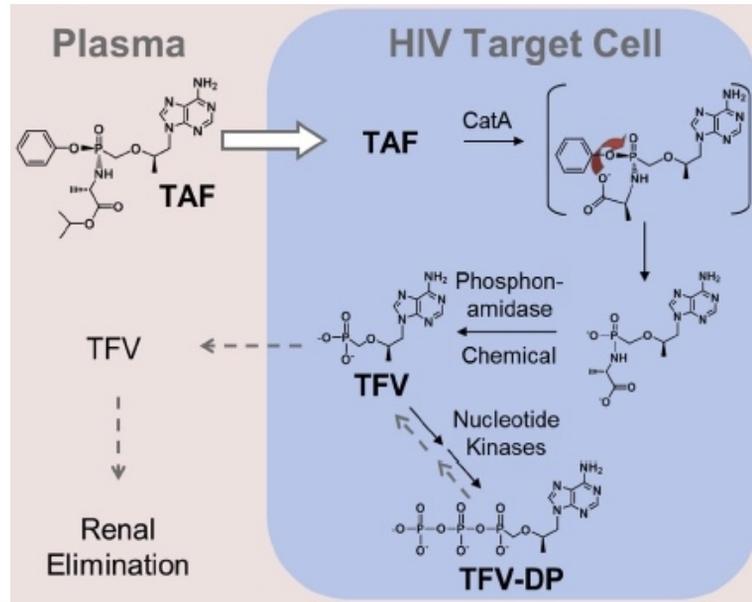
Drug	Sponsor	Phase	Population	Location	Primary outcome(s)	Completion date
Injectable drugs						
CAB LA	ViiV Healthcare	2a	Men	United States	Safety Tolerability	February 2016
CAB LA	ViiV Healthcare	1	Men Women	United States	Pharmacokinetics Safety Tolerability	December 2017
CAB LA	NIAD	2b/3	MSM TGW	United States	Safety Efficacy	June 2020
RPV LA	PATH	2	Women	United States South Africa Zimbabwe	Safety	October 2017
VRC01	NIAID	1	Men Women	United States	Safety Tolerability	August 2017
VRC01	NIAID	2b	MSM TGW	North America South America Switzerland	Safety Tolerability Efficacy	July 2019
VRC01	NIAID	2b	Women	Sub-Saharan Africa	Safety Tolerability Efficacy	July 2020

<https://clinicaltrials.gov>

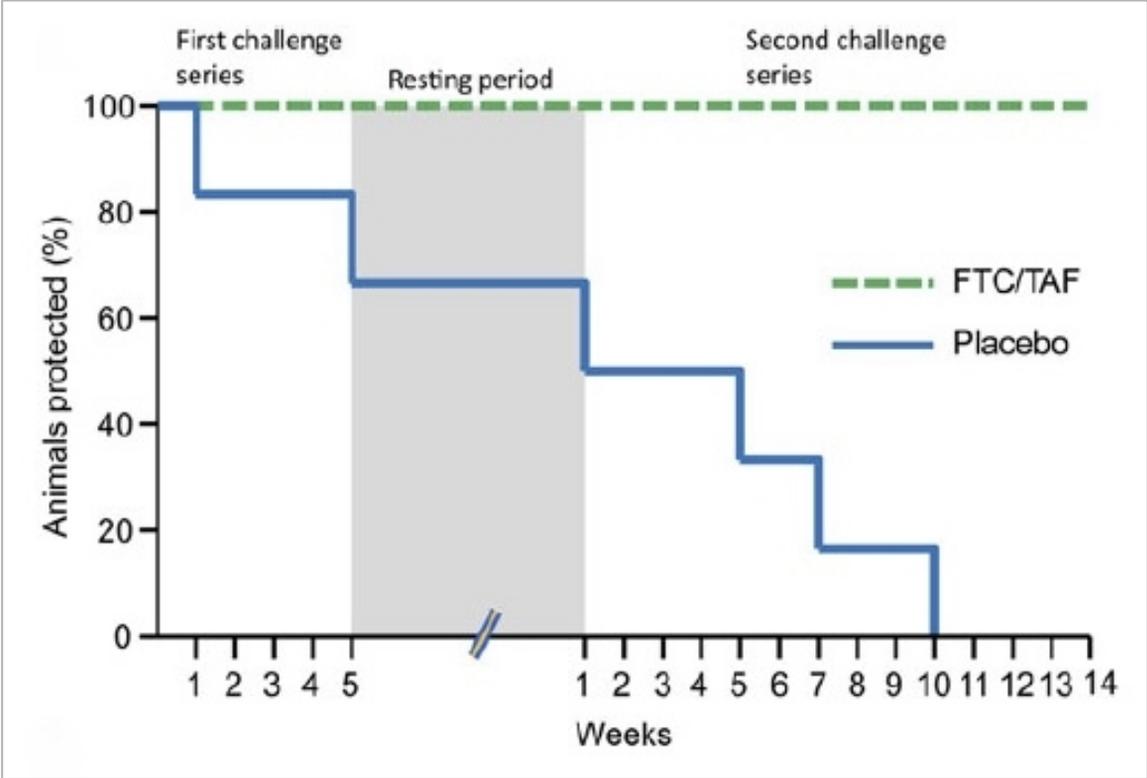
**Oral PrEP drugs**

# Tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) for PrEP

- Nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor
  - Prodrug of tenofovir diphosphate (TVF-DP)
  - Converted to TVF-DP in PBMC
  - 90% lower drug concentrations in blood and tissue
    - Less renal toxicity
    - Less bone toxicity
    - Fewer side effects
  - Allows 10-fold lower dose

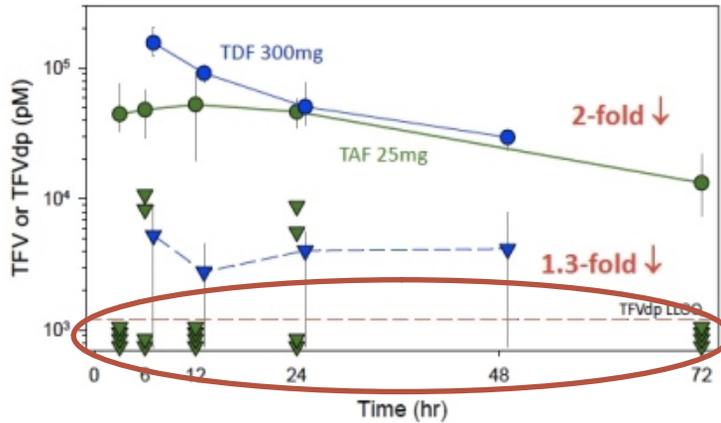


# Oral TAF/FTC prevented SHIV infection in macaques

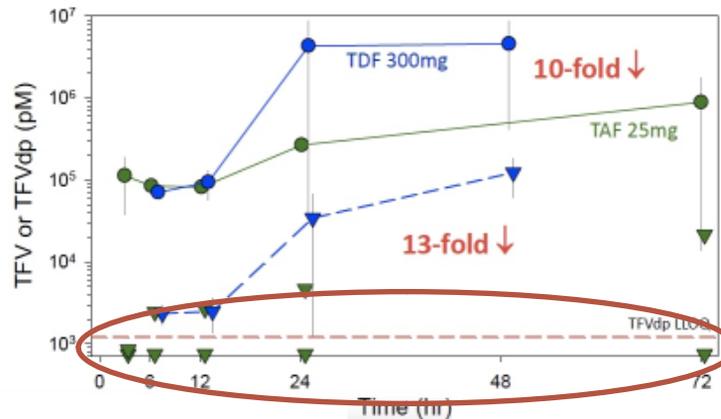


# Lower than expected tissue levels in women after a single dose of TAF vs. TDF

Cervicovaginal



Rectal



# Phase 1 PK/PD study of TAF/FTC for PrEP in women – not yet recruiting

- Sponsored by CONRAD in collaboration with USAID and Agility Clinical, Inc.
  - ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02904369
  - Drugs: TAF/FTC 10/200 mg, TAF/FTC 25/200 mg, TDF/FTC 300/200 mg
  - Estimated enrollment: 72
  - Locations: United States (2 sites) and Dominican Republic (1 site)
- Primary outcome
  - Concentrations after single dose, and during and after 2 weeks of daily dosing
    - Plasma, PBMC, cervicovaginal and rectal fluid, and cervicovaginal tissue
- Secondary outcomes
  - Grade 2 or higher adverse events; gastrointestinal adverse events; lab abnormalities; and anti-HSV activity

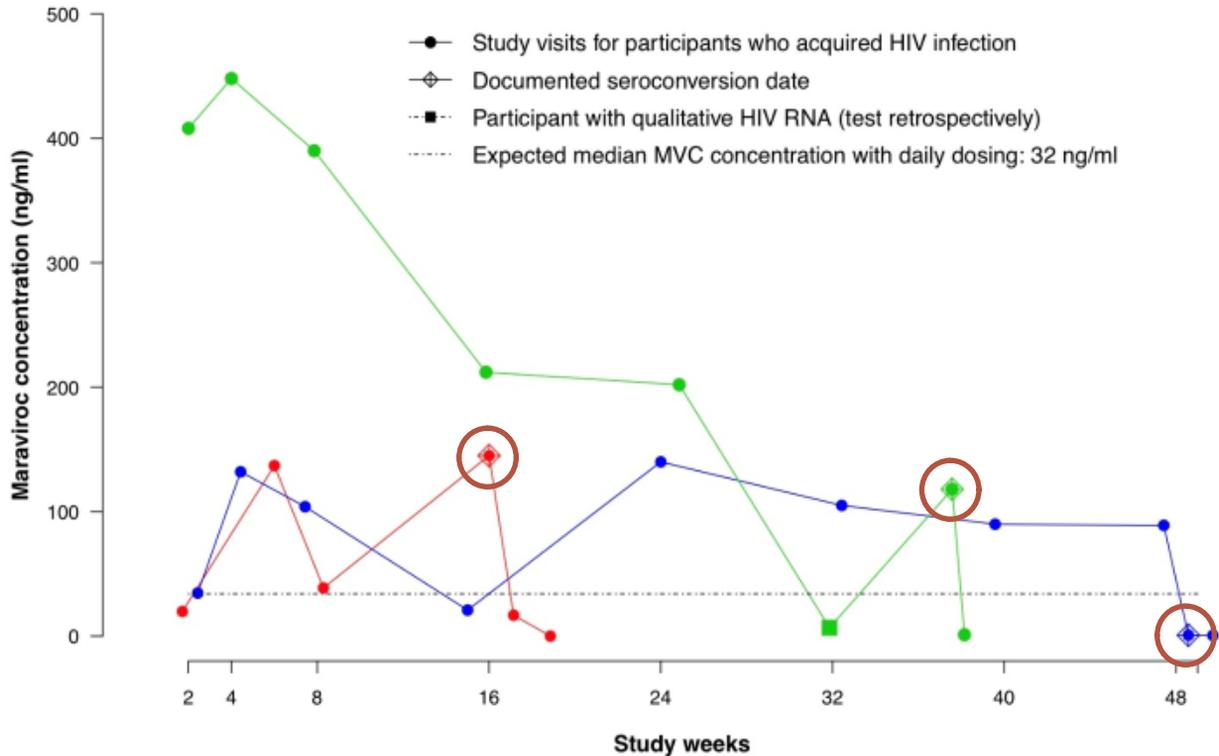
# Phase 3 clinical trial of TAF/FTC for PrEP in at-risk MSM and TGW – recruiting

- Sponsored by Gilead Sciences
  - ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02842086
  - Drugs: TAF/FTC 25/200 mg, TDF/FTC 300/200 mg
  - Estimated enrollment: 5000
  - Locations: United States (54 sites), Canada (6 sites), and Europe (32 sites)
  - Follow-up: Up to 96 weeks
  - Open-label extension planned with TAF/FTC
- Primary outcome
  - Incidence of HIV infection
- Secondary outcomes
  - Renal and bone toxicity measures; and adverse events and laboratory toxicities

# Phase 2 clinical trial of MVC for PrEP in at-risk MSM and women – completed

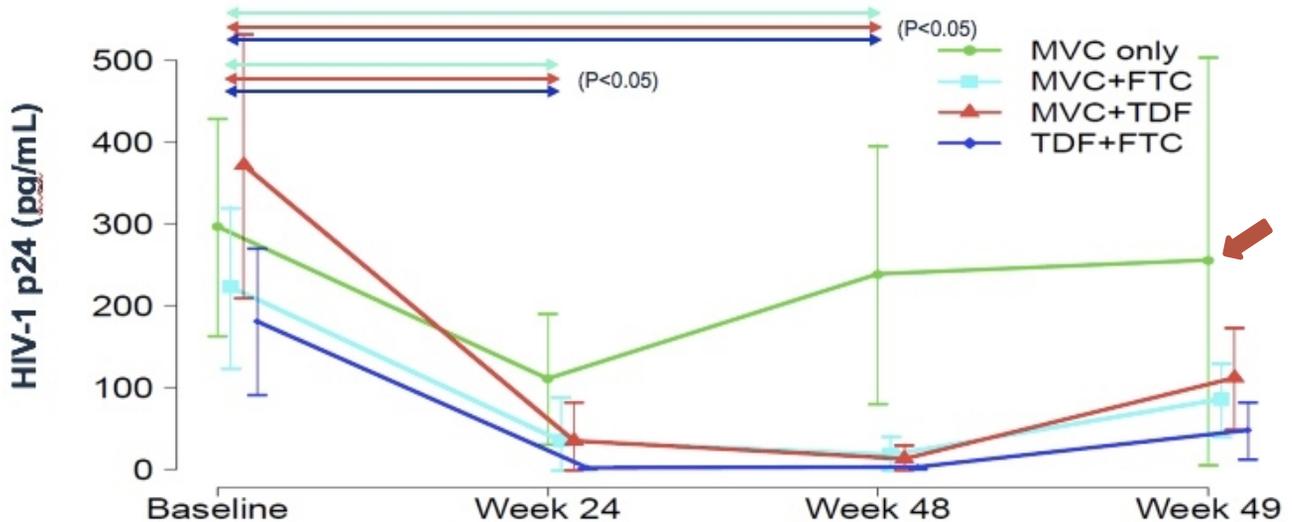
- Sponsored by NIAID in collaboration with HPTN and ACTG
  - ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT01505114
  - Drugs: MVC 300 mg, MVC/FTC 300/200 mg, MVC/TDF 300/300 mg, TDF/FTC 300/200 mg
  - Estimated enrollment: 594
  - Locations: United States (12 sites) and Puerto Rico (1 site)
  - Follow-up: 48 weeks
- Primary outcomes:
  - Grade 3 or higher adverse events
  - Tolerability
- Secondary outcomes:
  - Renal, lipid, and bone toxicity measures; adherence; concentrations in plasma, PBMC, and rectal and vaginal tissue

# HIV seroconversions in persons with low and variable serum maraviroc concentrations



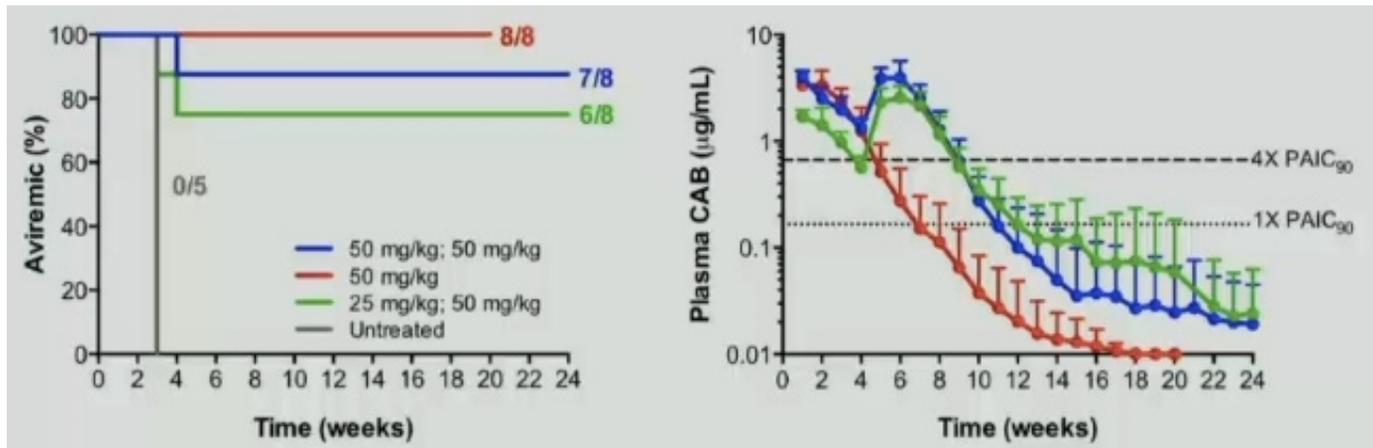
2 persons had no MVC not detected at any time point

# Maraviroc plus TDF or FTC suppresses HIV replication in colorectal explants better than maraviroc alone



**Injectable PrEP drugs**

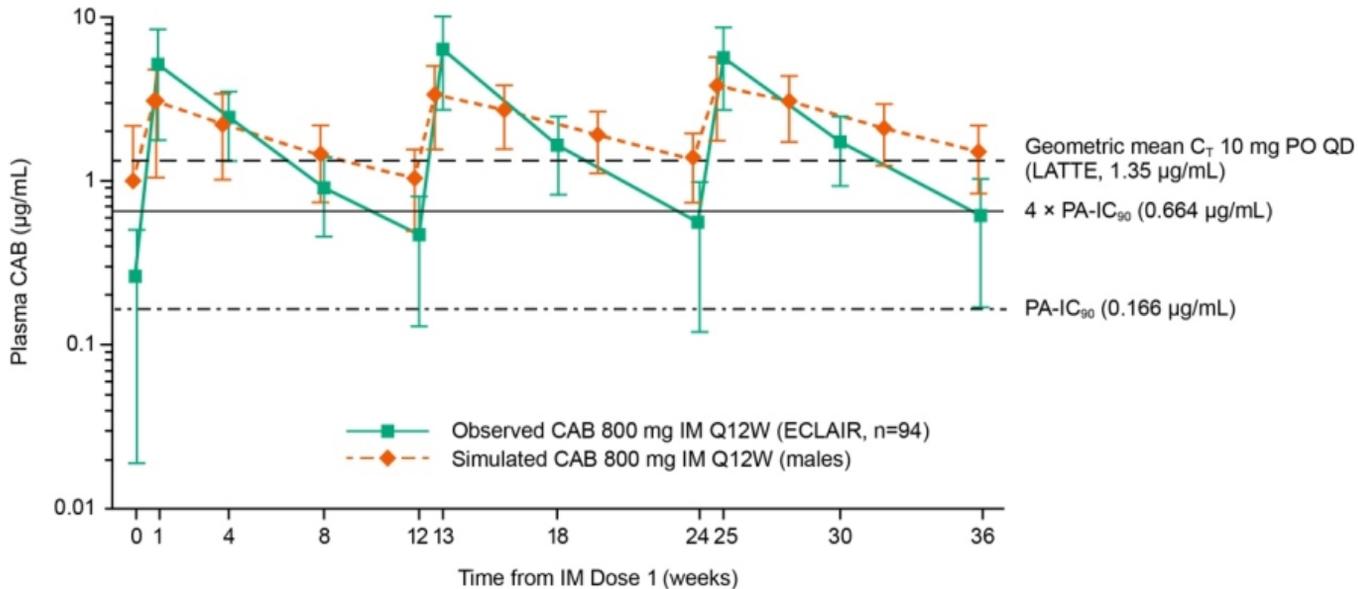
# CAB LA prevented infection in macaques with intravenous exposure to SHIV



# Phase 2 clinical trial of CAB LA for PrEP in men (ÉCLAIR) – completed

- Sponsored by ViiV Healthcare in collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline
  - ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02076178
  - Drugs: CAB LA 800 mg every 12 weeks for 3 doses
  - Oral run-in: CAB 30 mg tablets daily for 4 weeks
  - Estimated enrollment: 127
  - Location: United States (10 sites)
- Primary outcomes
  - Safety and tolerability
- Secondary outcome
  - Plasma pharmacokinetic parameters
  - Acceptability

# Cabotegravir 800 mg every 12 weeks results in high peaks and low troughs



Dosing of 600 mg every 8 weeks

2 seroconversions:  
Placebo and 24 weeks post-dose

# Phase 1 clinical trial of CAB LA in healthy men and women – not yet recruiting

- Sponsored by ViiV Healthcare
- ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02478463
  - Drugs: CAB LA 600 mg single dose
  - Oral run-in: CAB 30 mg daily for 28 days
  - Estimated enrollment: 16
  - Location: not announced
- Primary outcomes
  - CAB concentration in plasma; vaginal, cervical, and rectal tissue; and cervicovaginal and rectal fluid
- Secondary outcomes
  - Adverse events and serious adverse events
  - Safety
  - Tolerability

# Phase 2/3 clinical trial of CAB LA for PrEP in at-risk MSM and TGW – not yet recruiting

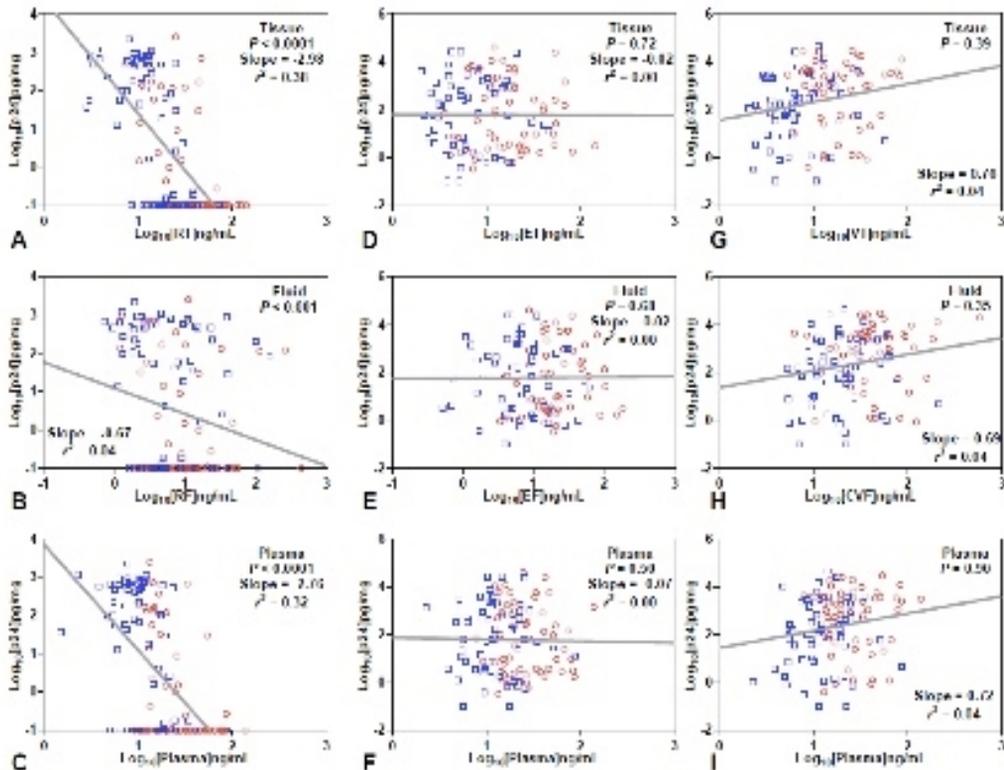
- Sponsored by NIAID in collaboration with ViiV Healthcare and Gilead Sciences
  - ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02720094
  - Drugs: CAB 30 mg oral run-in, CAB LA 600 mg, TDF/FTC 300/200 mg
  - Estimated enrollment: 4500
  - Location: United States (8 sites)
- Primary outcomes
  - Incidence of HIV infection
  - Grade 2 or higher clinical and laboratory adverse events
- Secondary outcomes
  - Changes in renal function, Z-score, and DXA criteria for osteopenia and osteoporosis
  - Grade 3 or 4 liver-related adverse events
  - Incidence of resistance mutations

# Phase 1 PK/PD clinical trial of RPV LA for PrEP in men and women – completed

- Sponsored by Janssen Research & Development, LLC
- ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT01656018
- Drugs: RPV LA dose-ranging
- Estimated enrollment: 90
  - Location: United States (1 site)
- Primary outcomes
  - Adverse events
  - Acceptability
- Secondary outcomes
  - RPV concentration in plasma; endocervical, vaginal, and rectal fluid; cervical, vaginal, and rectal tissue
  - Ex vivo pharmacodynamics

# HIV replication vs. RPV concentration in rectal, cervical, and vaginal explants

□ 600 mg Single Dose      ○ 1200 mg Single Dose



Rectal

Cervical

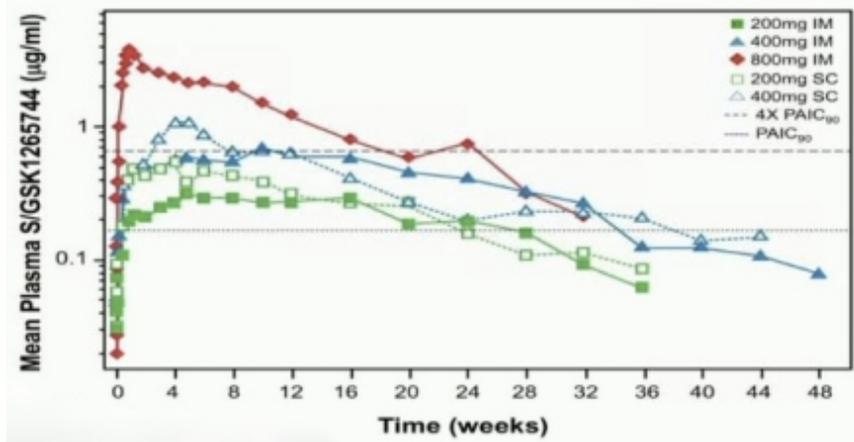
Vaginal

# Phase 2 clinical trial of RPV LA for PrEP in women – ongoing

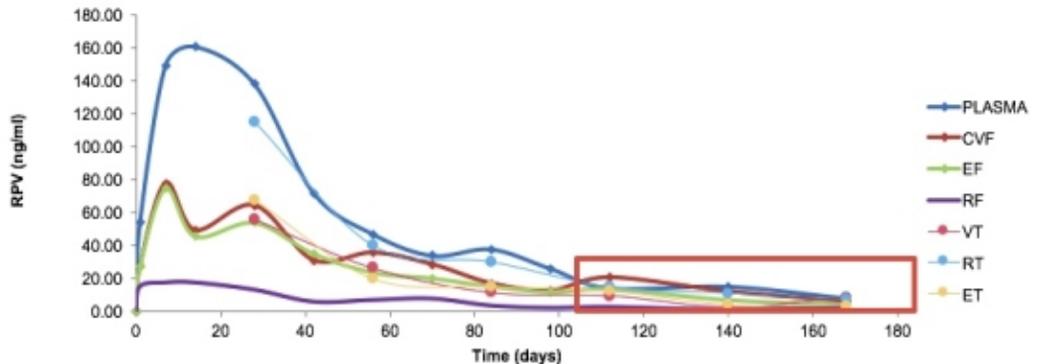
- Sponsored by PATH in collaboration with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, NIAID, and NIH
- ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02165202
- Drugs: RPV LA 1200 mg IM every 8 weeks for 6 doses
- Estimated enrollment: 132
- Location: United States (2 sites), South Africa (1 site), Zimbabwe (1 site)
- Primary outcomes
  - Adverse events
- Secondary outcomes
  - Tolerability
  - RPV LA concentration in cervicovaginal fluid, rectal fluid, and cervicovaginal tissue
  - Incidence of HIV infection

# Nanosuspensions of PrEP drugs have long pharmacokinetic tails

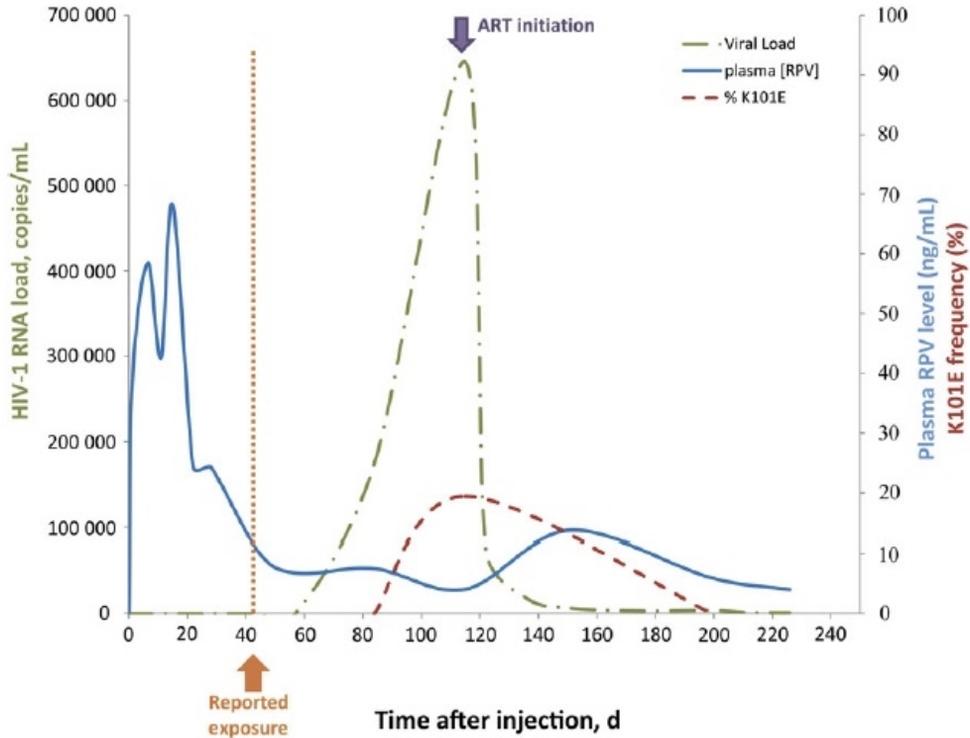
Cabotegravir



Rilpivirine

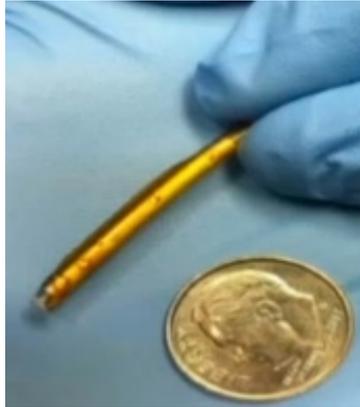


# Emergence of K101E resistance during the RPV LA pharmacokinetic tail



# Implantable devices containing TAF in pre-clinical development

**Implantable and removable**



**Implantable and biodegradable**

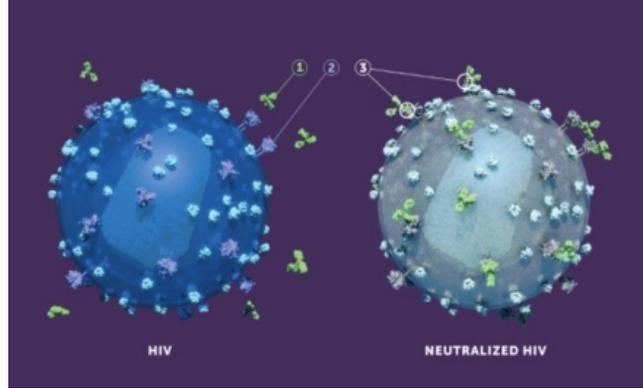


Day 0



Day 14

## VRC01 (3BNC117) – Broadly neutralizing antibody



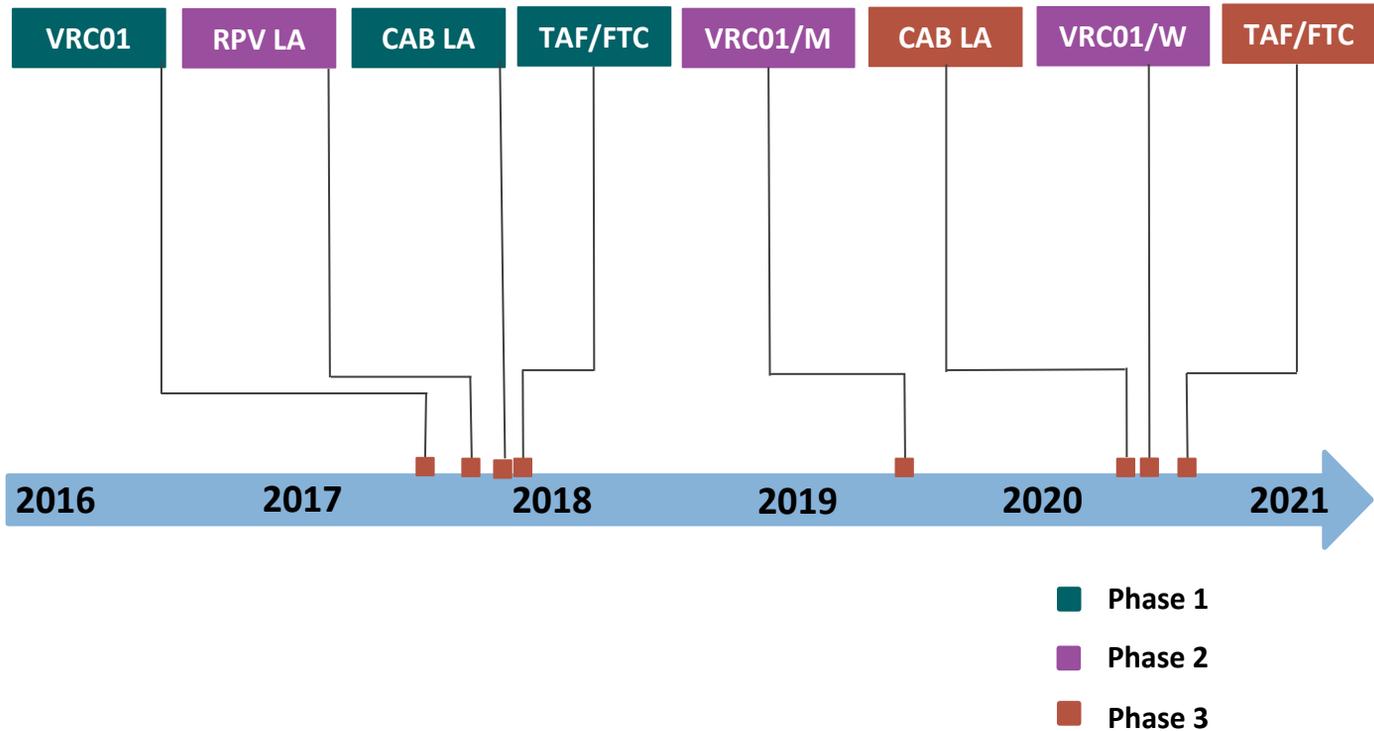
- Undergoing studies for use both as PrEP and HIV treatment
- Safe and well tolerated administered intravenously or subcutaneously in phase 1 study
- Ongoing phase 1 studies with IV and SC dosing
  - VRC01 dose-ranging
  - VRC01LS – longer half-life than VRC01
- PrEP studies with broadly neutralizing antibodies can inform HIV vaccine development

# Phase 2 Antibody Mediated Protection (AMP) study in at-risk men and women – recruiting

- Phase 2 studies of safety and efficacy
  - HVTN 704/HPTN 085 (NCT02716675)
    - MSM and TG women in the United States (19 sites) and Peru (2 sites)
  - HVTN 703/HPTN 081 (NCT02599896)
    - Sexually active women in Botswana (1 site), Kenya (1 site), and South Africa (6 sites)
- Intravenous infusion: 10 doses of VRC01 30 mg/kg, VRC01 10 mg/kg, or saline every 8 weeks, follow-up for 20 weeks
- Primary outcomes
  - Adverse events
  - Incidence of HIV infection

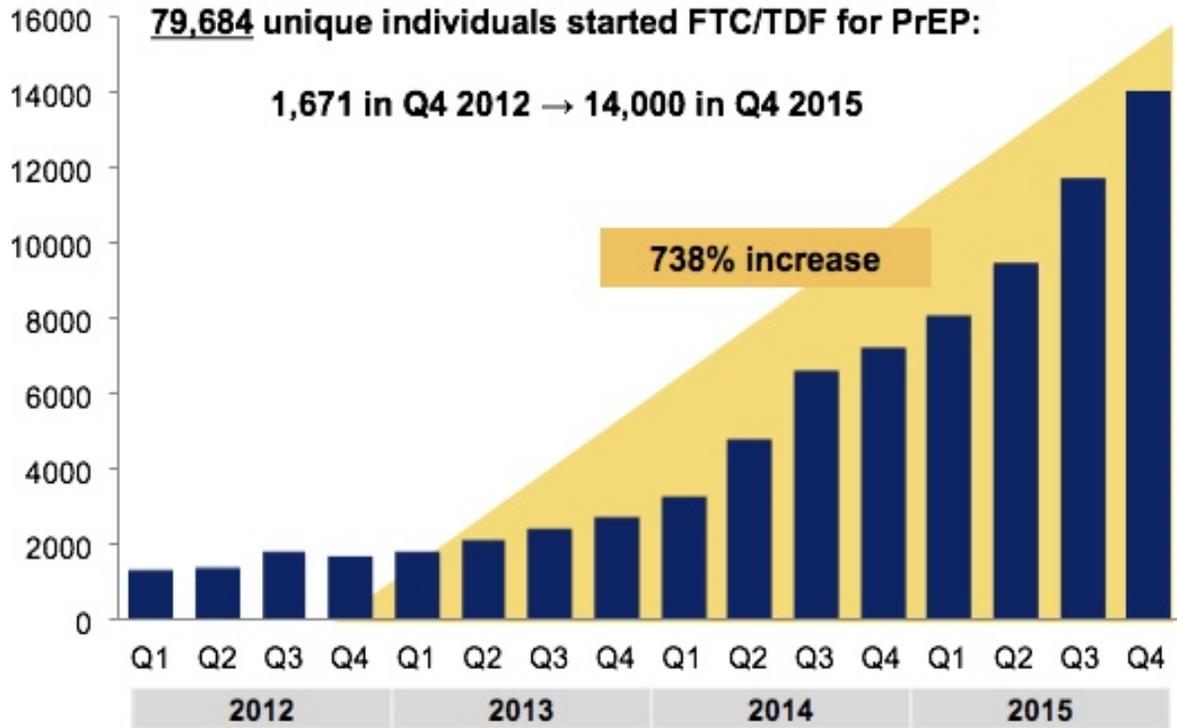


# Timeline for completion of PrEP clinical trials

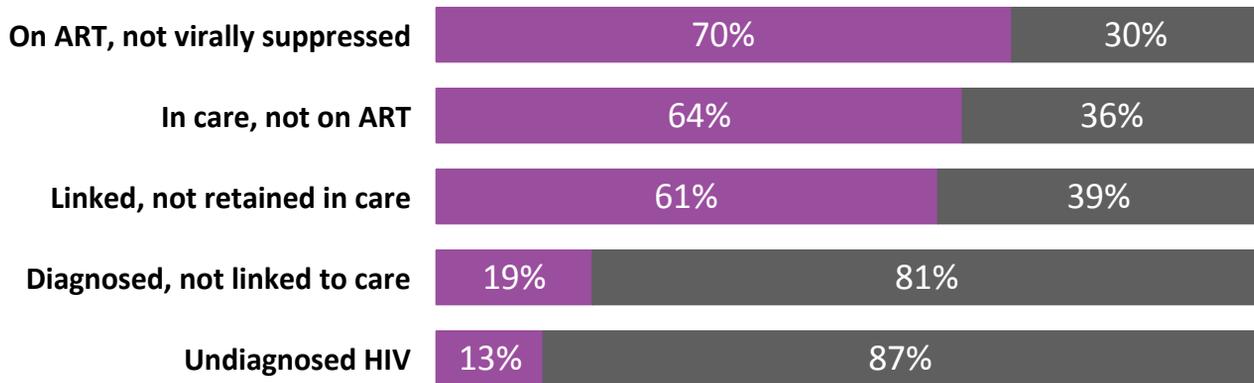


**Low TDF/FTC uptake in the United States**

# An increasing number of persons initiating PrEP, United States 2012–2015

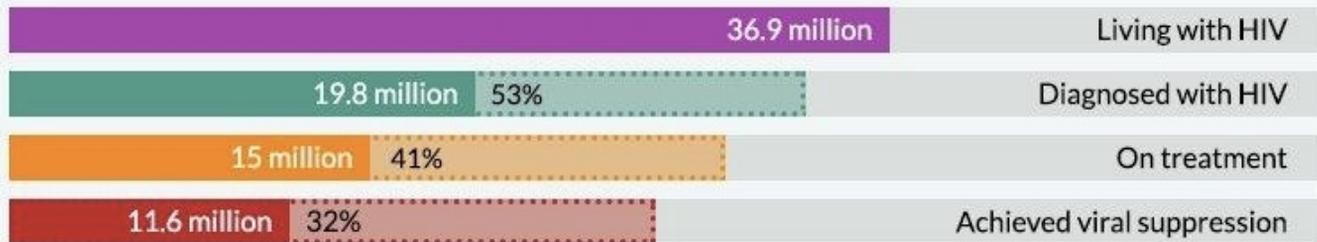


# Why do we need both PrEP and TasP?



Percent of HIV-infected persons

# Global statistics of HIV care continuum compared to gaps to reach UNAIDS 90-90-90 targets



# Summary

- Focus on implementation of TDF/FTC as we await availability of second generation PrEP drugs
  - TAF/TDF
  - CAB LA
  - VRC01
- Injectable PrEP might help those who have trouble taking a daily pill, but not a panacea
  - Oral run-in for 30 days might be needed to assess tolerability and adverse events
  - Oral PrEP tail coverage might be required for several months after discontinuing
  - Might be problematic for individuals with adherence challenges
- Broadly neutralizing antibodies exciting option for PrEP
  - Early in development
  - Help to guide vaccine studies

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