

# BIOMEDICAL STRATEGIES FOR HIV PREVENTION

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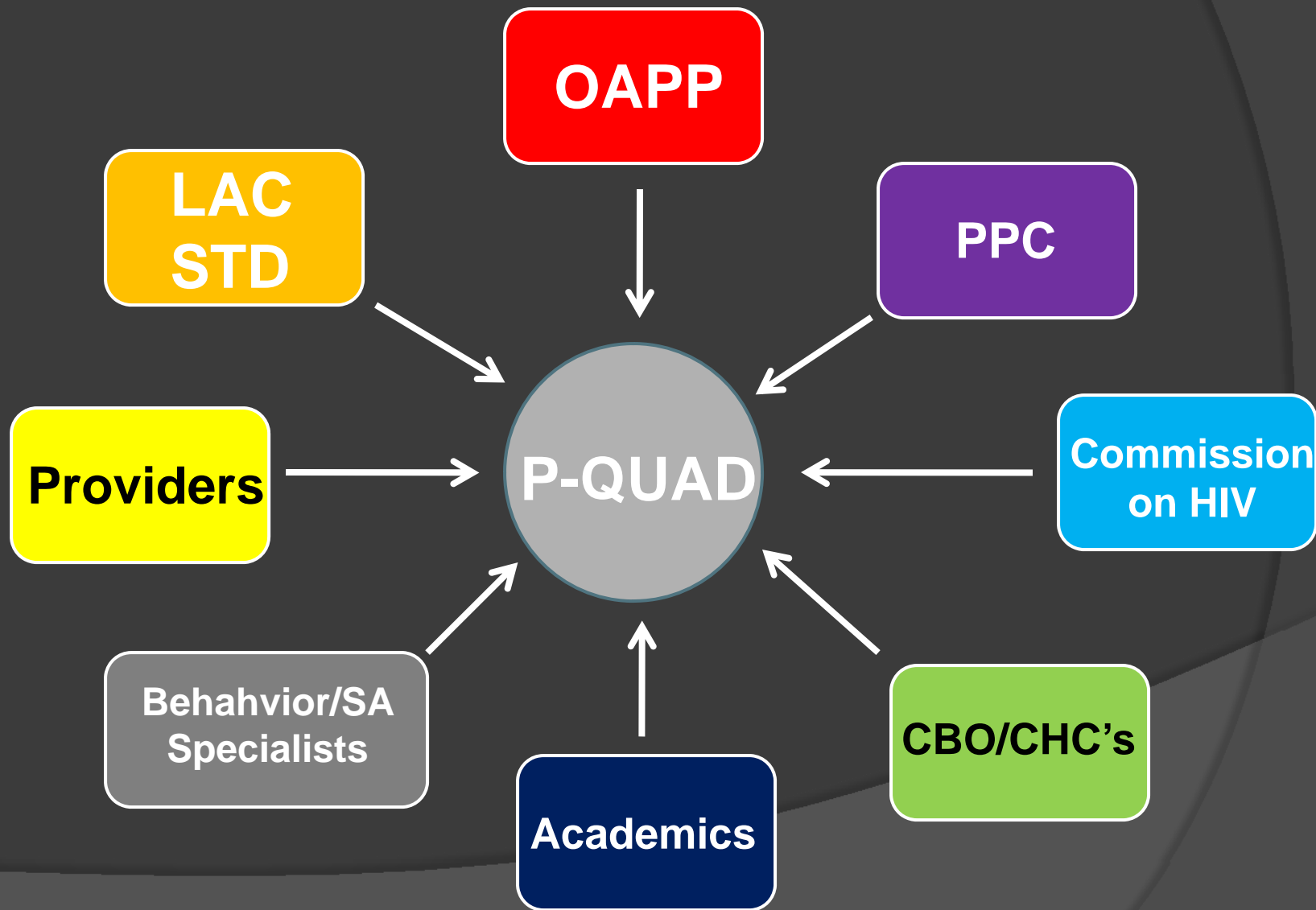
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A Pilot Project to Operationalize Post-exposure Prophylaxis  
following Sexual Exposure to HIV in Los Angeles County

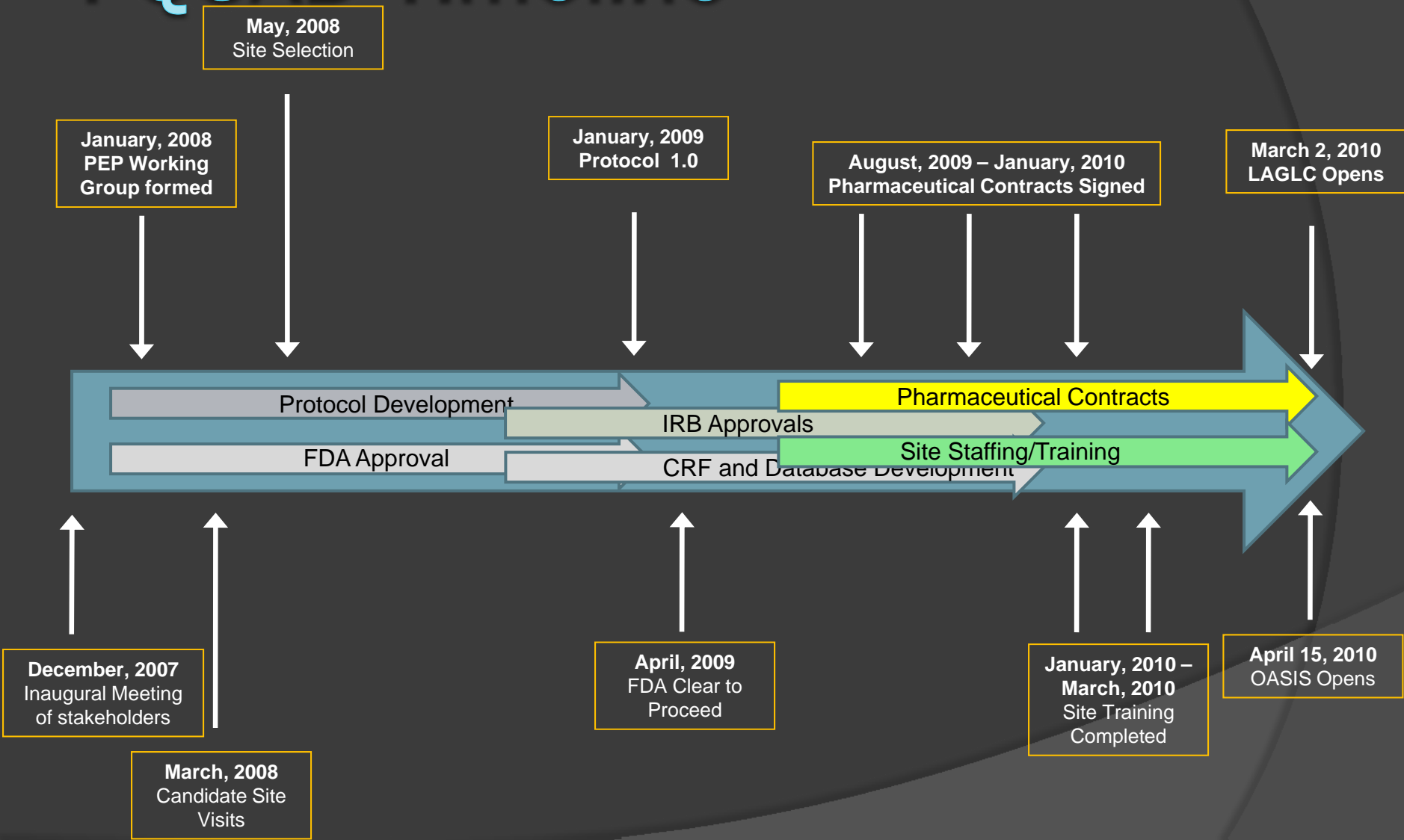
# THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY P-QUAD PROJECT



# P-QUAD Genesis



# PQUAD Timeline



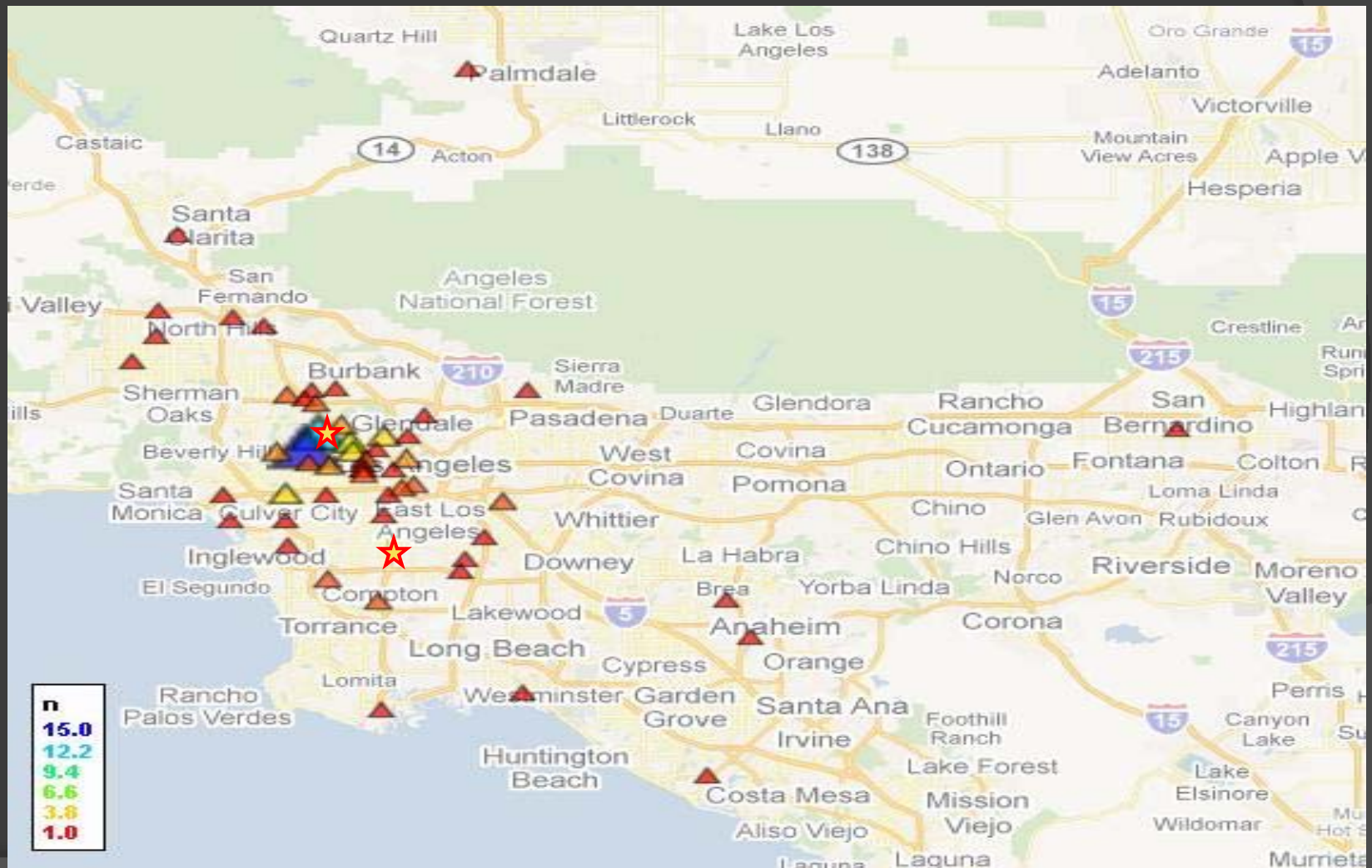
# Planned enrollment

- ⦿ 300 participants; 28 days of treatment
  - TDF/FTC or AZT/3TC
  - TDF/FTC + r/LPV or AZT/3TC + r/LPV
  - Additional option for TDF/FTC + RAL or AZT/3TC + RAL (option added after study initiation)
- ⦿ Safety labs, serial HIV testing at 4-6 weeks, 3 months, and 6 months
- ⦿ STI testing at baseline, repeat RPR at 3 months
- ⦿ Substance use and behavioral assessments
- ⦿ Planned transition to Public Health Service Delivery Model

# As of 12/01/2010

- ⊙ Totals
  - Screened 155, Enrolled 141
  - Data frozen at 112 (106 at LAGLC, 6 at OASIS)
  - 27 had already initiated PEP at another location (ED, Primary Care, AHF)
- ⊙ LAGLC
  - Screened 142, enrolled 132
- ⊙ OASIS
  - Screened 13, enrolled 9

# Zip Codes of Residence



# Demographics (N=112)

Variable	N (%)
Sex	
Male	103 (92)
Female	8 (7)
Transgender	1 (1)
Age, years	
<20	1 (1)
20-30	53 (48)
31-40	29 (26)
41-50	23 (20)
>50	6 (5)
Race/Ethnicity	
White/Caucasian	61 (54)
Black/African-American	9 (8)
Hispanic/Latino	33 (29)
Asian/Pacific Islander	4 (4)
Mixed Race/Other	5 (4)



# Education and Income (N=112)

Education Level	N (%)
High School or less	24 (21)
Some College or Associates Degree	44 (39)
Bachelor's Degree	32 (28)
Advanced Degree	11 (10)
Missing	1 (1)
Family Income	
<\$10,000	35 (31)
\$10 – 30,000	37 (33)
\$30 – 50,000	22 (20)
\$50 – 75,000	10 (9)
\$75 – 100,000	4 (4)
Missing	4 (4)

# Insurance Status (N=112)

Health Insurance Type	N (%)
None	79 (70)
Private	26 (23)
MediCal	5 (4)
University Provided	1 (1)
COBRA	1 (1)

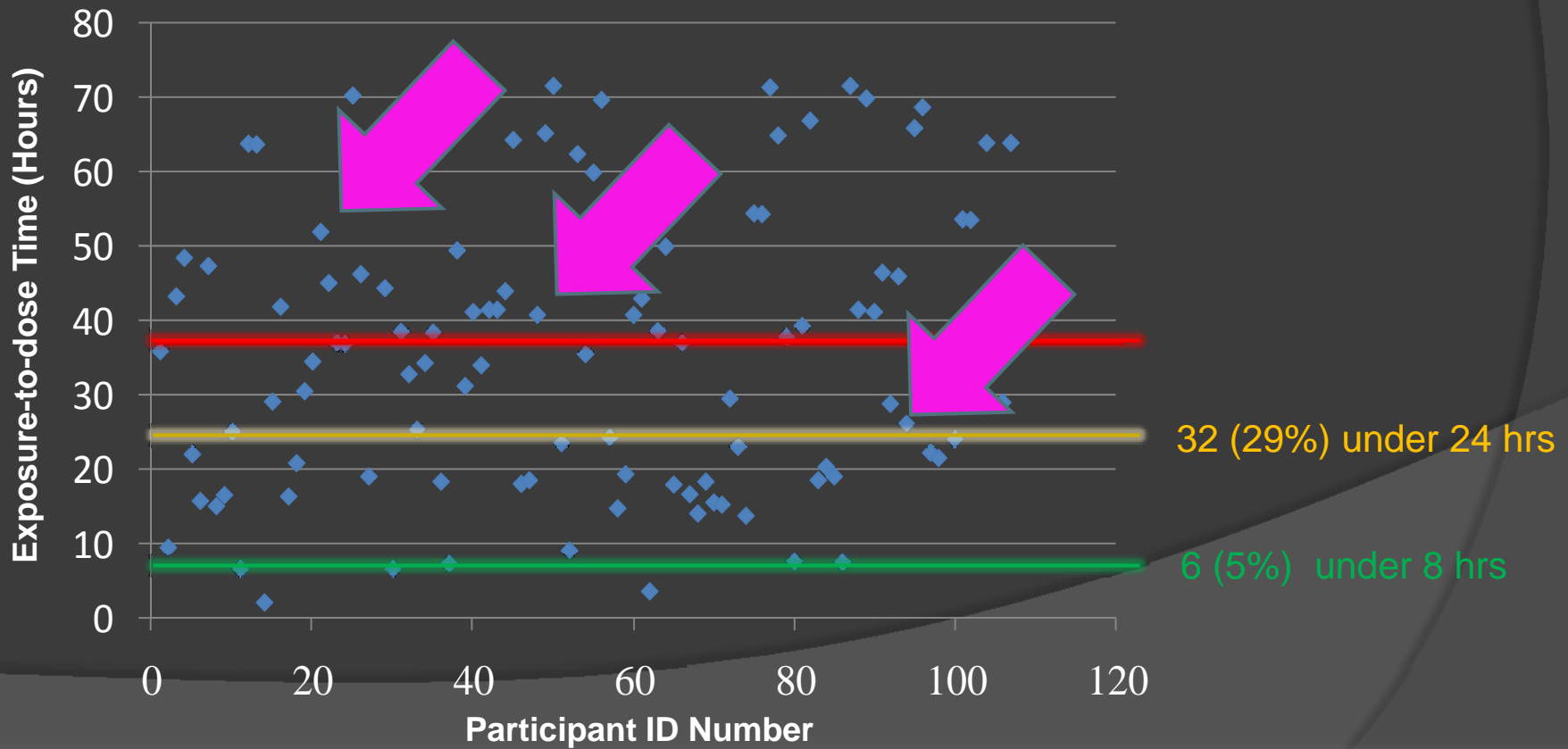
# Type of Exposure

(Totals Sum to > 100% as multiple routes of exposure possible)

Exposure	N (%)
Receptive anal intercourse	67 (60)
Insertive anal intercourse	51 (45)
Receptive vaginal intercourse	8 (7)
Insertive vaginal intercourse	3 (3)
Receptive oral intercourse with ejaculation	1 (1)

# Time Interval: Exposure to First Dose (n=112)

- Mean 35.63 hrs (SD 18.94)
- Range: 2 – 71.7 hrs



# Regimens Prescribed (n=112)

## ⦿ Nucleosides

- Truvada (TDF/FTC) = 107(96%)
- Combivir (AZT/3TC) = 5 (4%)

## ⦿ Expanded Regimen was used in 111 cases

- Kaletra (r/LPV) = 97 (87%)
- Raltegravir = 14 (13%)

# Baseline STI's (N=112)

All linked to treatment

Infection	N (%)
Gonorrhea*	
Urethra	2 (2)
Rectum	6 (5)
Pharynx	6 (5)
Chlamydia*	
Urethra	3 (3)
Rectum	5 (4)
Syphilis (Incident)	3 (3)
Hepatitis B	1 <sup>†</sup> (1)

\*In 15 unique participants: 10 mono infections, 3 dual-infections, 2 triple infections

<sup>†</sup>Participant 4-days post-HBV vaccination – f/u HBsAg was negative, pt has not presented for HBV DNA testing due to cost

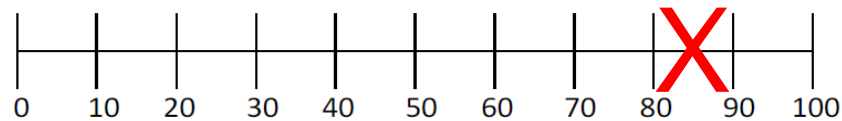
# Follow up Rates: Clinical Evaluations, N = 112

Baseline	Day 14	Week 4-6	Week 12	Week 24
112/112 (100%)	101/112 (90%)	88/112 (79%)	44/86 (51%)	17/49 (35%)

# Adherence by VAS

Put a mark on the line below at the point that shows your best guess about how much of your prescribed HIV medication you have taken in your first 2 weeks of treatment.

Example: 0% means you have taken no medication, 50% means you have taken half your medication, 100% means you have taken every single dose of your medication.



- 2 Week Visit
  - Mean self-reported adherence 97.7% (SD 10.92)
  - Range 10-100%
  - N=21 Missing
- 4 Week Visit
  - Mean self-reported adherence 96.4% (SD 12.8)
  - Range 0-100%
  - N=32 Missing



# Discontinuation

- ◎ Six participants that have chosen to discontinue treatment
  - 4 participants reported treatment limiting AE's (fatigue, nausea, diarrhea)
  - 1 participant self-discontinued treatment when repeated HIV Elisa tests were negative
  - 1 participant never picked up 2<sup>nd</sup> set of 14 days of medication due to incarceration

# Seroconversions (N=3)

- 1016 reported RAI with recently seroconverted HIV+ partner
- Interval of time from exposure to first dose = 64 hrs
- Baseline EIA negative\*, week 4-6 EIA negative\*, week 12 EIA positive with positive WB (p17/18, p24, gp41, p51, gp160)
  
- Baseline: 4/2/10 – Viral RNA not detected, <48
- Week 4: 4/30/10 – Viral RNA not detected, <48
- Week 12: 7/2/10 – 145,000 copies/mL
  
- Genotype with ONLY protease mutation L10I (wild type virus)
- No Baseline or 3-month STI's
- Denies repeat exposures
- 100% medication adherence reported
- Currently being linked to care

\*Also NAAT negative via CDC program @ LAGLC

# Seroconversions (cont'd)

- 1064 reported RAI with recently seroconverted HIV+ partner
- Interval of time from exposure to first dose = 41 hrs
- Baseline EIA negative\*, week 4-6 EIA negative\*, week 12 EIA positive with positive WB (p24, gp41, p55, gp120, gp160)
  
- Baseline: 7/13/10 – Viral RNA not detected, <48
- Week 4: 8/12/10 – Viral RNA not detected, <48
- Week 12: 10/1/10 – 32,500 copies/mL
  
- Genotype with A71V only (minor protease mutation)
- No Baseline or 3-month STI's
- Notes a series of exposures antecedent to sentinel exposure, outside of 72 hour window, and one IAI subsequent exposure
- 100% medication adherence reported
- Linked to subspecialty HIV care

# Seroconversions (cont'd)

- 1101 reported RAI with partner who subsequent to intercourse disclosed HIV+ status
- Interval of time from exposure to first dose = 26 hrs
- Baseline EIA negative\*, week 4-6 EIA negative\*, week 12 EIA negative -> NAAT testing positive, repeat EIA/WB at week 14, positive
  
- Baseline: 9/21/10 – Viral RNA not detected, <48
- Week 4: 10/21/10 – Viral RNA not detected, <48
- Week 12: 10/1/10 – 1,370,000 copies/mL
  
- Genotype pending
- No Baseline or 3-month STI's
- Participant only admits oral intercourse with current (different) HIV+ partner – **however partner reveals UAI**
- 100% medication adherence reported at week 2, 90% at week 4
- Linked to subspecialty HIV care

# Serious Adverse Events

- ◎ Two SAEs reported
  - Both involved overdoses of medication
  - No clinical sequelae

# EXPOSED to HIV?

## WHAT IS POST PROPHYLAXIS

Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) is a combination of medications that can be taken after someone is exposed to HIV infection. **PEP is NOT a "morning-after pill" and not a cure for AIDS.** PEP is a combination of medications that **MAY** prevent HIV infection, if taken within 72 hours after possible HIV exposure. Available at participating sites, PEP can help reduce your risk of becoming HIV+ by approximately 80% if you prevent exposure to HIV in the first place by using clean needles, reducing the number of partners, and getting your partner's HIV status before sex.

### How does PEP work?

It takes several days for HIV infection to become detectable. If you take PEP (drugs stop HIV from multiplying in the body), you may prevent HIV infection. If you are HIV-infected, you would then die naturally within 10-15 years. If you are a person who has been exposed to HIV (within 72 hours after the exposure), this maximizes the chance of preventing the virus from establishing itself in the body.

### When do I take PEP?

**We think PEP is only effective if taken within 72 hours after exposure to HIV.** The sooner you take PEP, the more effective it is at preventing you from becoming infected with HIV. If you wait longer than 72 hours for PEP, research has shown that PEP does not prevent HIV infection. HIV infection could already occur. However,

# EXPOSED to HIV?

## CALL: 213-351-7699

IF YOU THINK YOU MAY HAVE HAD AN EXPOSURE  
**WITHIN THE LAST 72 HOURS (3 DAYS)**  
YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR **PEP** (Post Exposure Prophylaxis)

PEP is available for people who have had a high risk exposure to HIV (unprotected sex or needle sharing with a partner of unknown HIV status or known HIV+ status.)

### PARTICIPATING SITES:

#### The L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center

1625 N. Schrader Blvd., L.A., CA 90028  
(near Hollywood/West Hollywood)

**CALL: 323-860-5880**

#### OASIS Clinic

1807 E. 120th St., L.A., CA 90059  
(near Downtown/Compton)

**CALL: 310-668-5131**



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and needles with someone whose HIV status is unknown (high risk for being HIV infected) **OR** if you have had sex with someone who is HIV+, you may be eligible. Your provider will ask you questions about your exposure and whether you want to take an HIV test to make sure that you are HIV negative. If you do not qualify, you will be prescribed 28

days and not miss any doses. If you miss a dose, your treatment may not work. Remember: no PEP is 100% effective for preventing HIV infection.

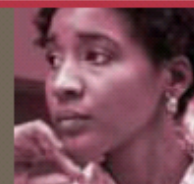
Some people may experience nausea, vomiting, headaches and diarrhea. PEP experience side effects, however, you can usually continue. You don't have to change or stop taking

PEP. Your provider will be tested for pregnancy. If you are pregnant, you will be tested immediately and transition to a standard of care program.

### What is the 28-day dose?

You will take PEP treatment, test for HIV again at 4-6 weeks after your high risk exposure to make sure you are not HIV infected, and try not to expose yourself to

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Slides courtesy of Bob Grant

# PREP: THE iPrEx DATA



# Some Thoughts on PrEP

- ◎ Strategy of administering antiretrovirals on a daily basis – regardless of exposure
  - Not entirely unlike OCPs to prevent pregnancy
- ◎ Might be particularly applicable to:
  - Serodiscordant relationships
  - Partners who cannot control condom use
  - Frequently exposed (CSW, some MSM)



# Animal Models

- Suggest TDF + FTC offers better protection than TDF alone
- Effective protection from IV, rectal, and vaginal challenges
- Intermittent dosing may be possible





# PrEP Initiative / Iniciativa PrEx

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## iPrEx: Global Prevention Initiative

Enrolled	<b>2,499</b>
HIV Test and Counseling Visits	<b>39,613</b>
Baseline Partners (median, 12 wks)	<b>7</b>
Follow-up Partners (median, 12 wks)	<b>2</b>
Syphilis Cases Dx and Rx	<b>1,019</b>
Condoms distributed	<b>585,000</b>
HBV vaccine doses given	<b>4,533</b>



# Fully enrolled as of December 2009

<b>Sites</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Participants</b>	<b>2,499</b>

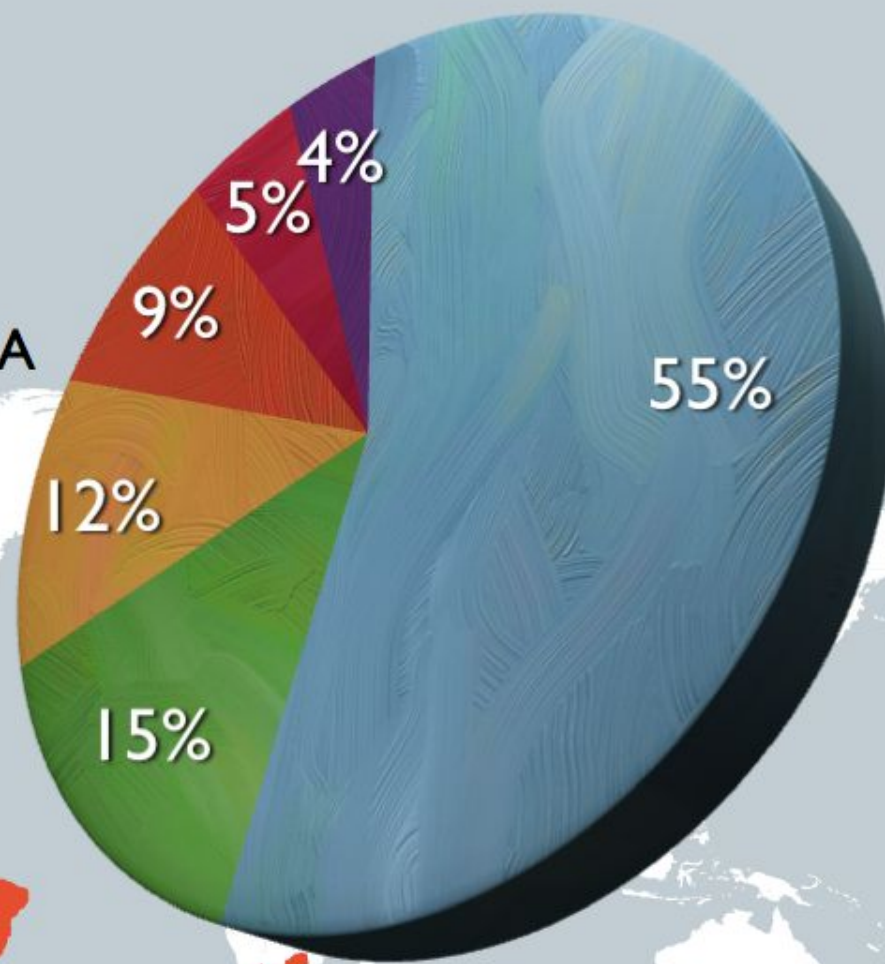




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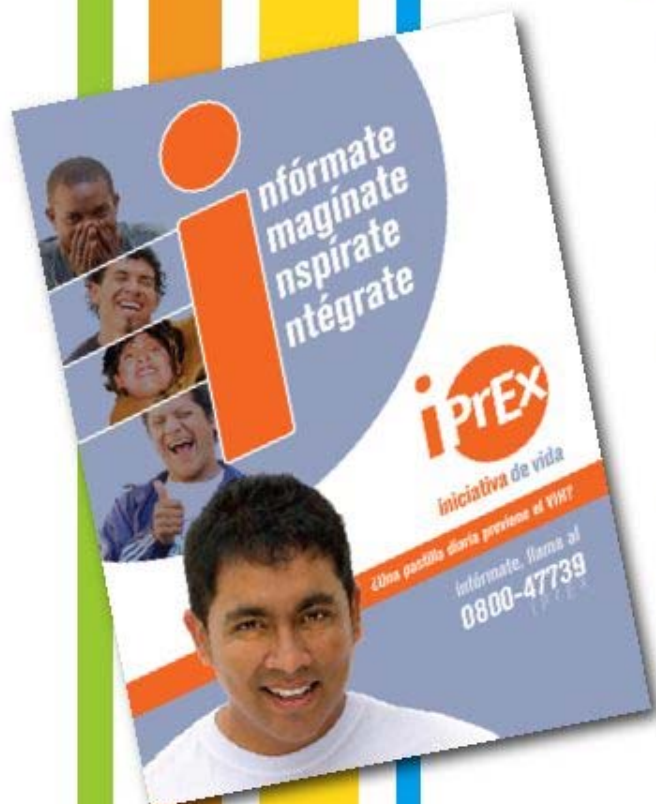


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- SOUTH AFRICA



# The iPrEx Study

- **High Risk MSM**
- **Randomized 1:1 Daily Oral PREP**
- **FTC/TDF vs Placebo**
- **Followed Monthly on Drug for:**
  - HIV seroconversion
  - Adverse Events
  - Metabolic Effects
  - HBV Flares among HBsAg+
  - Risk Behavior & STIs
  - Adherence
  - If Infected
    - ▶ *Drug Resistance*
    - ▶ *Viral Load*
    - ▶ *CD4+ T Cell Count*

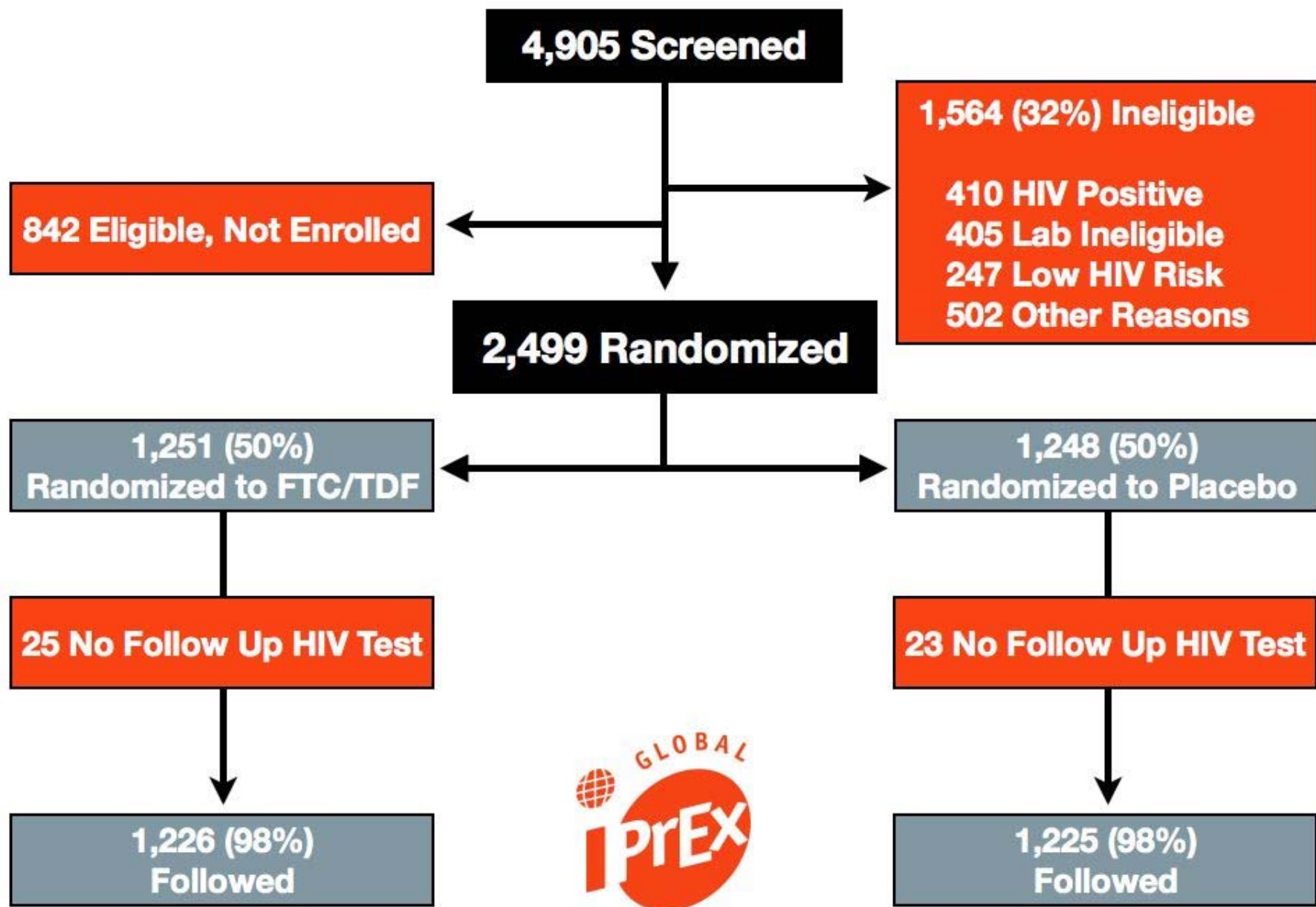




## Comprehensive Prevention Services Given to All

- HIV testing monthly
- Risk reduction counseling
- Condoms (15 or more)
- STI testing if any symptoms, monthly
- STI screening for all every 24 weeks
- Partner STI treatment
- PEP if requested and meet local criteria
- HBV vaccine





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1,226 (98%)  
Followed

### Quarterly Visit Attendance

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<b>Off Study During Follow -Up</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>16%</b>
- Unable to contact	87	7%
- Participant relocated	51	4%
- Refused further participation	41	3%
- Investigator decision	11	1%
- Death	1	0%
- Other reasons	8	1%

**FTC/TDF**

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<b>Off Study During Follow -Up</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>15%</b>
- Unable to contact	55	4%
- Participant relocated	59	5%
- Refused further participation	46	4%
- Investigator decision	5	0%
- Death	4	0%
- Other reasons	13	1%

**PLACEBO**





## Baseline Characteristics of the Participants, According to Study Group



Characteristic	FTC/TDF	PLACEBO
<b>Age - no. (%) P=0.04</b>	<b>(n=1,251)</b>	<b>(n=1,248)</b>
18-24	591 (47)	662 (53)
25-29	274 (22)	241 (19)
30-39	249 (20)	224 (18)
≥40	137 (11)	121 (10)



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<b>Education Level - no. (%) P=0.26</b>	<b>(n=1,251)</b>	<b>(n=1,248)</b>
Less than Secondary	279 (22)	244 (20)
Complete Secondary	430 (34)	453 (36)
Post-Secondary	525 (42)	539 (43)
No Answer / Missing	17 (1)	12 (1)



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Characteristic	FTC/TDF	PLACEBO
<b>Race/Ethnicity - no. (%) P=0.40</b>	<b>(n=1,251)</b>	<b>(n=1,248)</b>
Black	117 (9)	97 (8)
White	223 (18)	208 (17)
Mixed/Other	849 (68)	878 (70)
Asian	62 (5)	65 (5)
Hispanic/Latino (any race)	900 (72)	906 (73)





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<b>Number of Alcoholic Drinks (on Days when Alcohol Consumed - no. (%) P=0.40</b>	<b>(n=1,251)</b>	<b>(n=1,248)</b>
0 (in the past month)	206 (16)	184 (15)
1-4 per day	348 (28)	345 (28)
≥ 5 per day	666 (53)	687 (55)
Refused/Missing/Don't Know	31 (2)	32 (3)





## **HIV Testing**

**39,613 visits with HIV testing**

**7 false positive tests in 3 people**





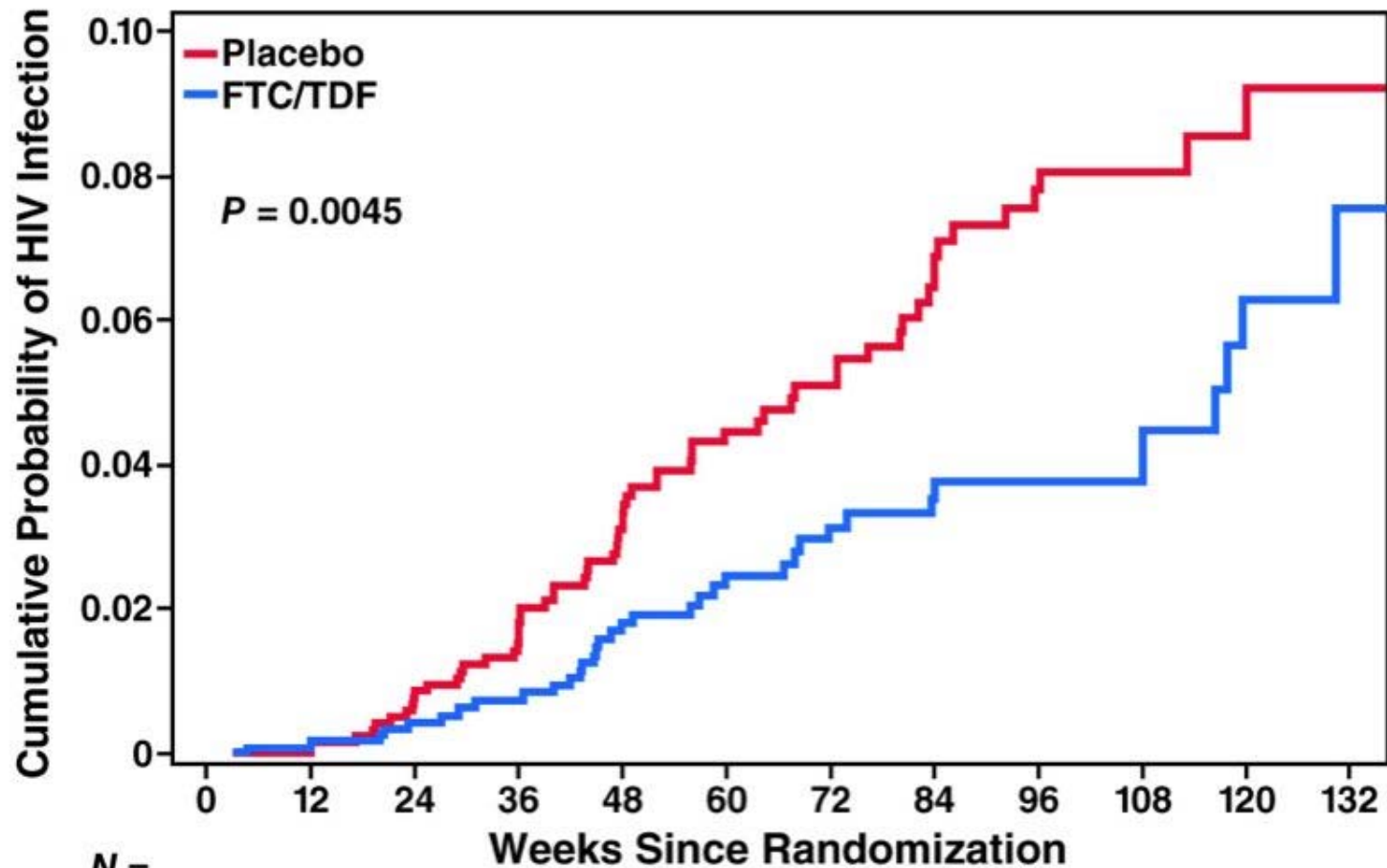
## **HIV Infections**

**110 in total (100 incident, 10 at baseline)**

**At least on specimen with undetectable RNA  
for all incident seroconverters**

# Efficacy (MITT) 44% (15-63%)

## Infection Numbers: 64 – 36 = 28 averted



$N =$

Placebo:	1248	1194	1108	1005	852	674	546	444	370	258	137	60
FTC/TDF:	1251	1188	1097	988	848	693	558	447	367	267	147	65



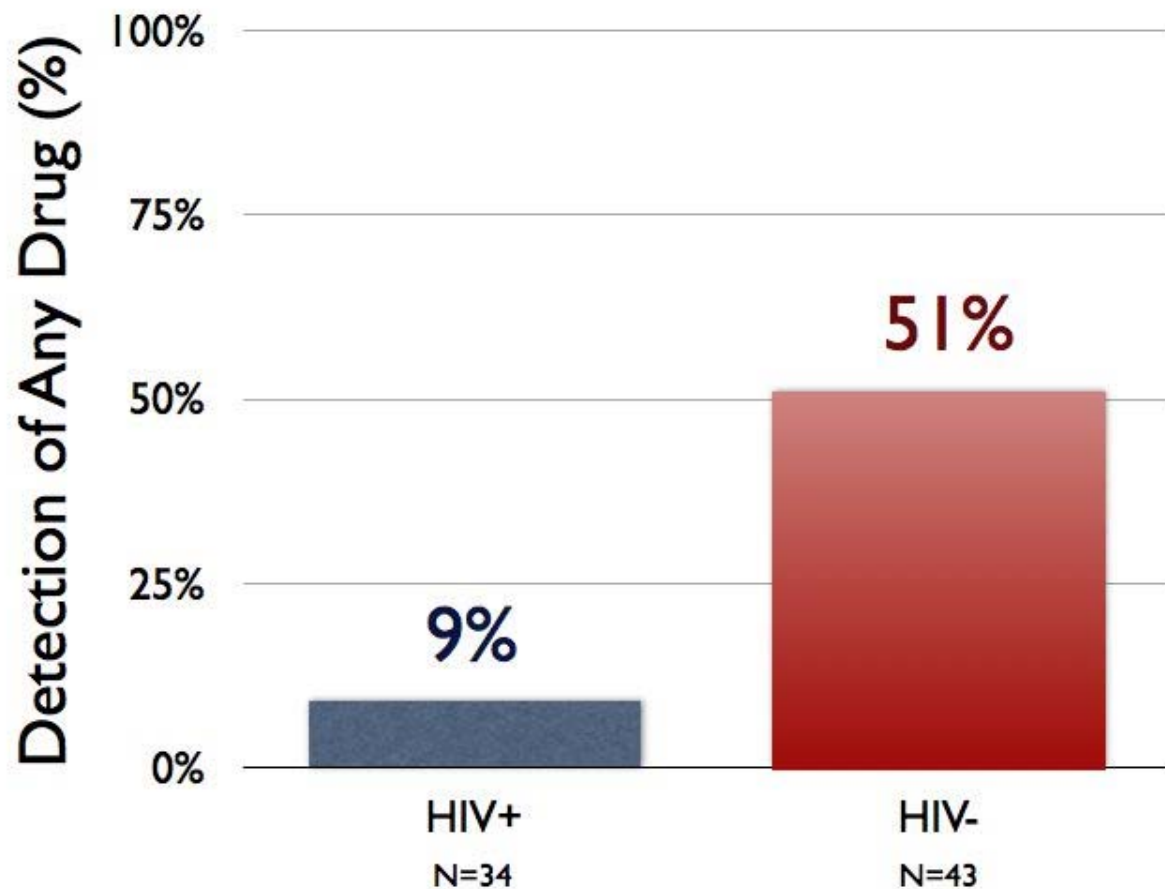
# Summary

## Efficacy of Oral FTC/TDF PrEP

	Efficacy	95% CI	P Value
<b>Intention to Treat</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>22-64</b>	<b>P=0.001</b>
<b>Modified Intention to Treat</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>15-63</b>	<b>P=0.005</b>
<b>As Treated (50%)</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>18-70</b>	<b>P=0.006</b>
<b>As Treated (90%)</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>41-88</b>	<b>P&lt;0.0006</b>
<b>Unprotected RAI at Baseline</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>32-74</b>	<b>P&lt;0.0006</b>

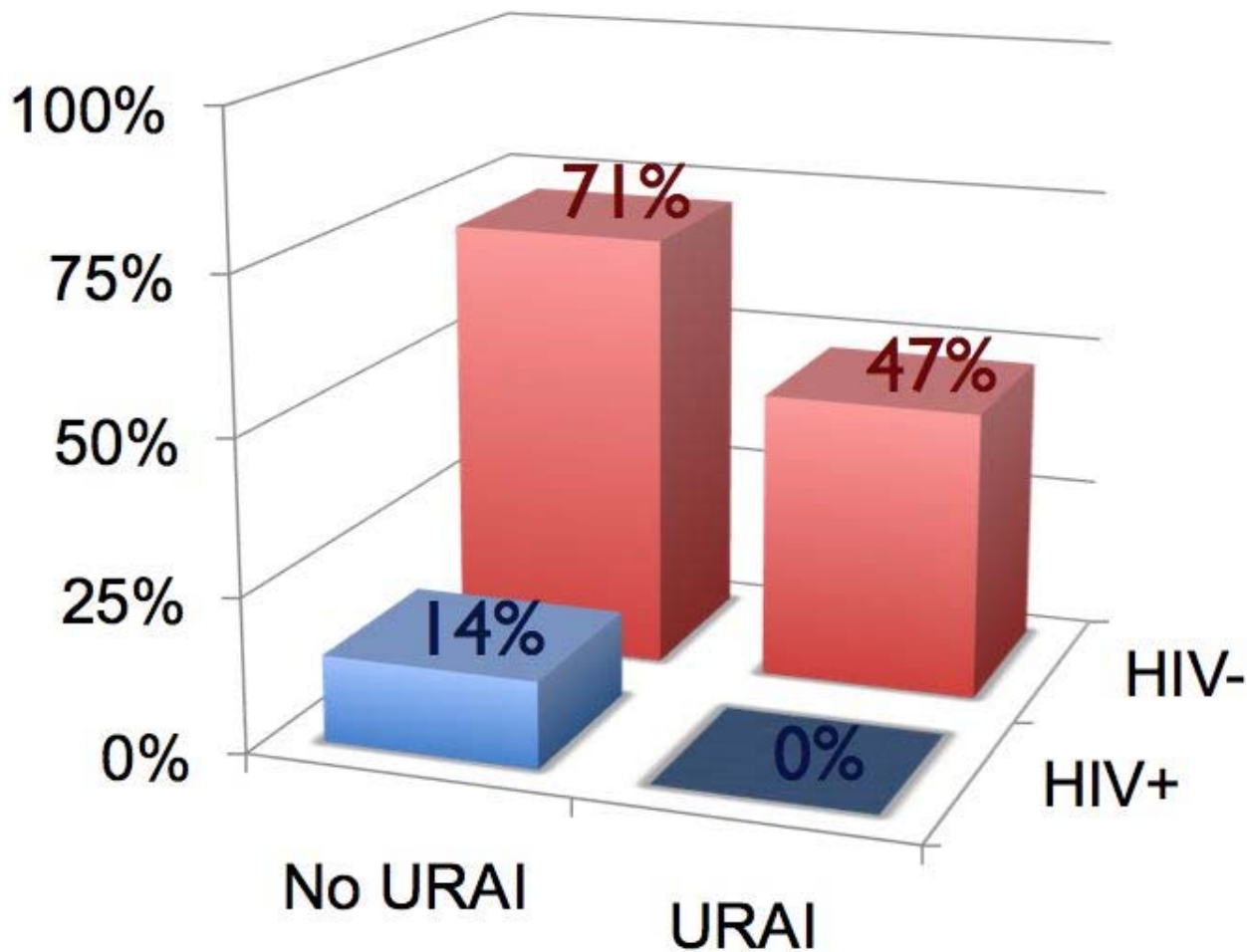


# Drug Detection by HIV Status in the FTC/TDF Group



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by Unprotected Receptive Anal Intercourse (URAI)



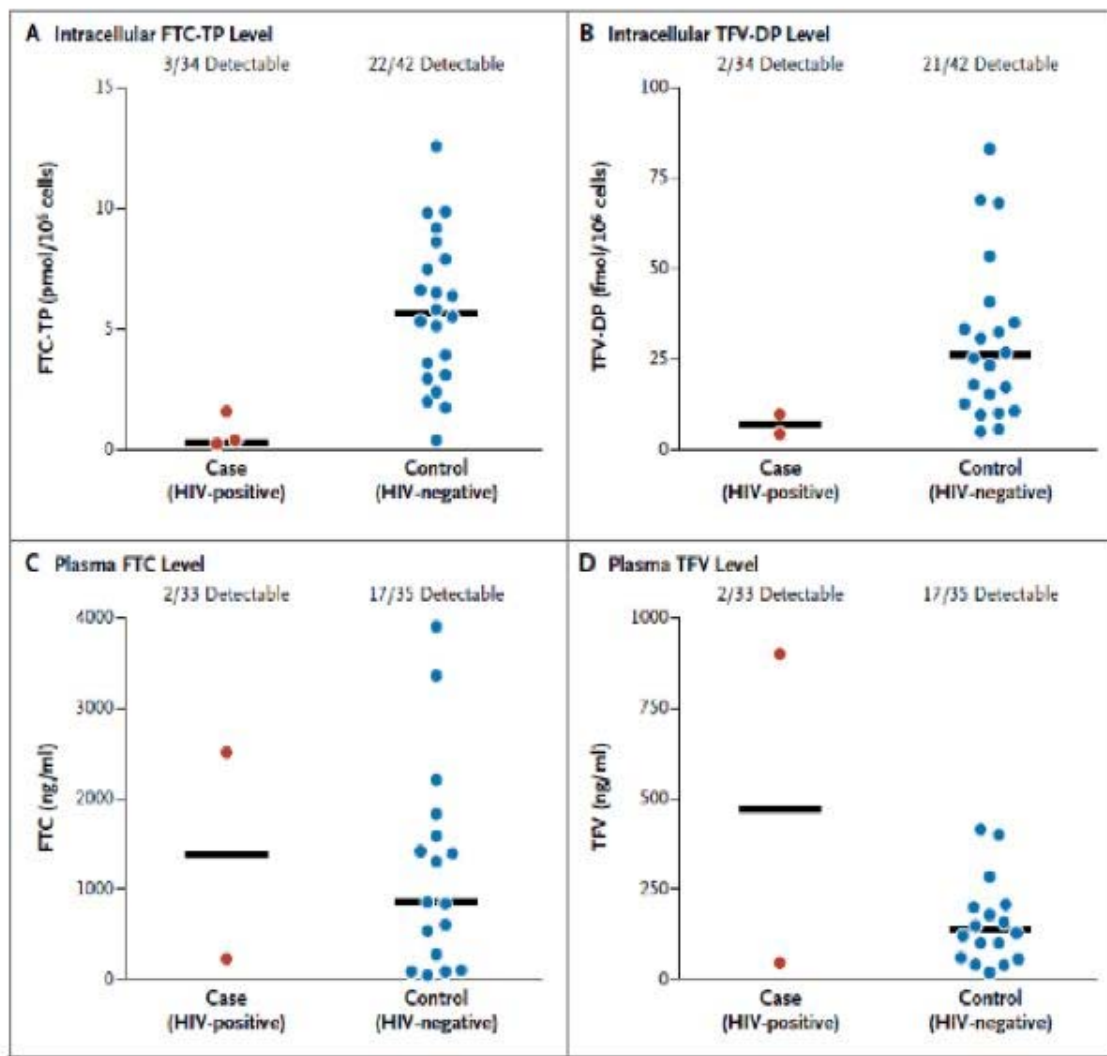




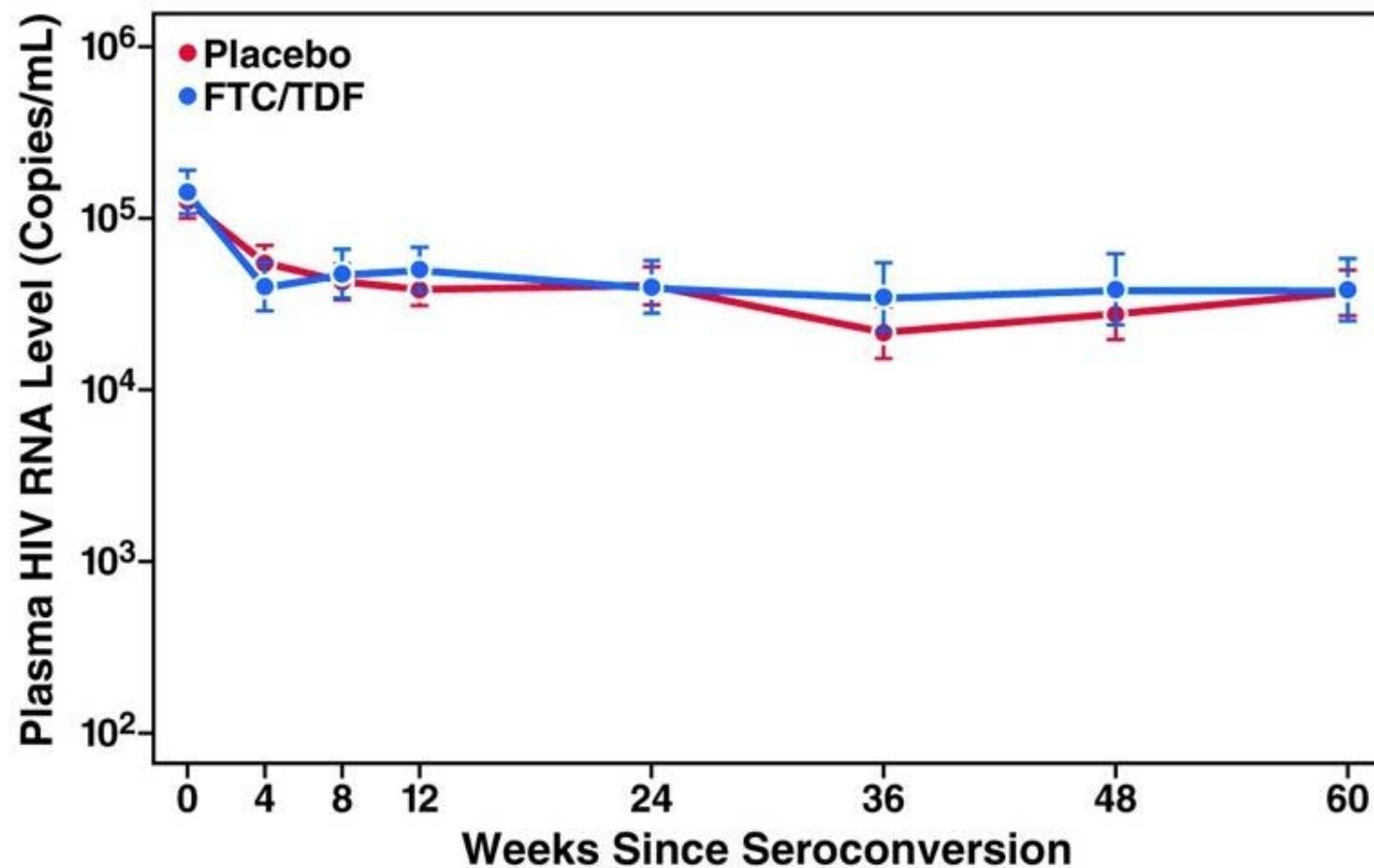
## Drug Level And Decreased HIV Risk Ratio

- Case-control study is nested in a larger cohort
  - Matched for time on study and place
  - Conditional logistic regression used
- Strong Correlate of Protection
  - Odds ratio 12.9,  $P < 0.001$
  - **92%** reduction in HIV risk (95% CI 40-99%)
- If adjusted for URAI
  - **95%** reduction in HIV risk (95% CI 70-99%)

# Drug Levels



# Plasma HIV Level





# REPEAT

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# Drug Resistance

Genotypic Resistance	HIV Status at Enrollment			
	Infected		Uninfected	
	Placebo N=8	FTC/TDF N=2	Placebo N=64	FTC/TDF N=36
<b>65R</b>	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>70E</b>	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>184I</b>	0 (0%)	1 (50%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>184V</b>	1 (13%)	1 (50%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>TDF Resistance</b>	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>FTC Resistance</b>	1 (13%)	2 (100%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

# Adverse events

Adverse Event	TDF/FTC		Placebo		P value
	n (%)	Events	n (%)	Events	
Grade 3 or Grade 4	151 (12%)	248	164 (13%)	285	p=0.51
Serious AE	60 (5%)	76	67 (5%)	87	p=0.57
Death	1 (<1%)	1*	4 (<1%)	4	p=0.18



\*Motorcycle accident

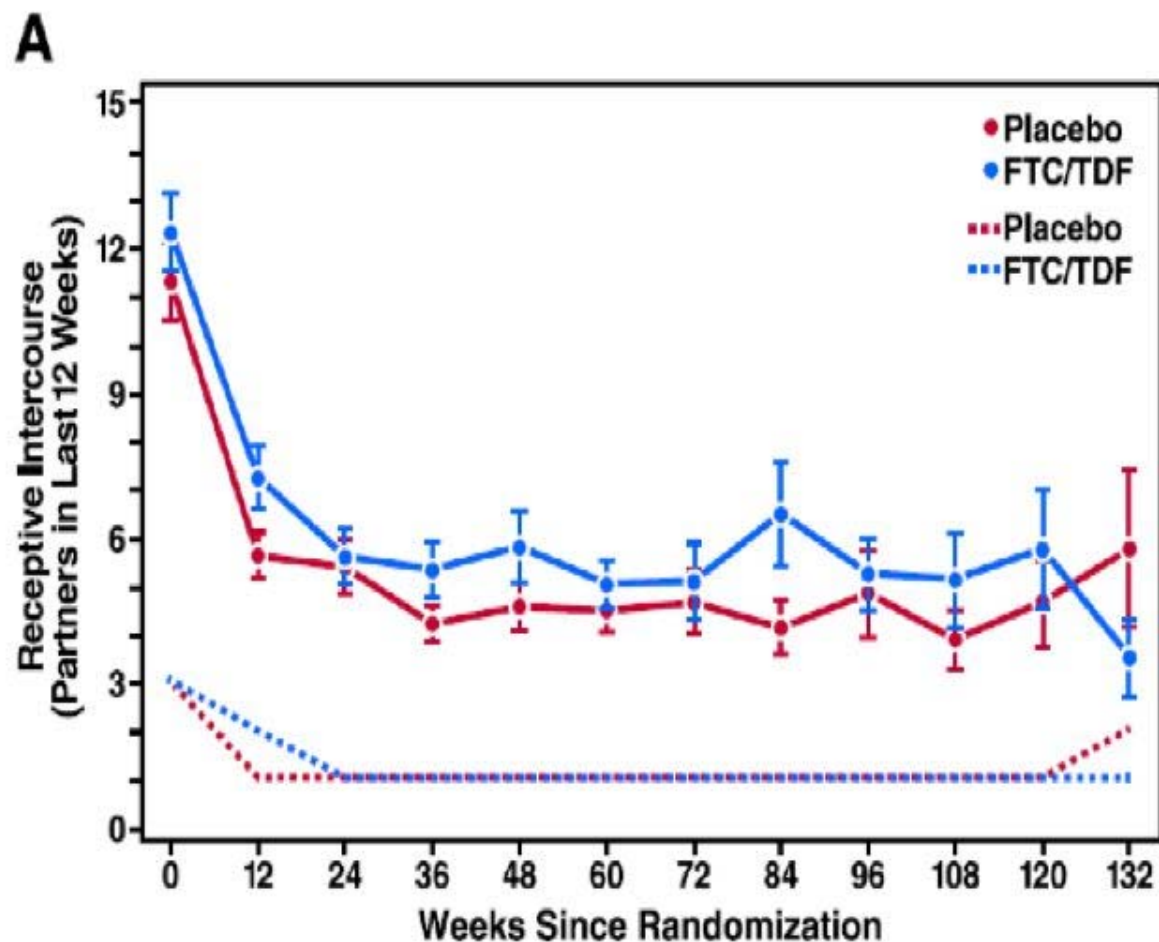
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<b>Creatinine Elevated</b>	25 (2%)	28	14 (1%)	15	p=0.08
<b>Headache</b>	56 (4%)	66	41 (3%)	55	p=0.10
<b>Nausea</b>	20 (2%)	22	9 (<1%)	10	p=0.04
<b>Weight Decreased</b>	27 (2%)	34	14 (1%)	19	p=0.04

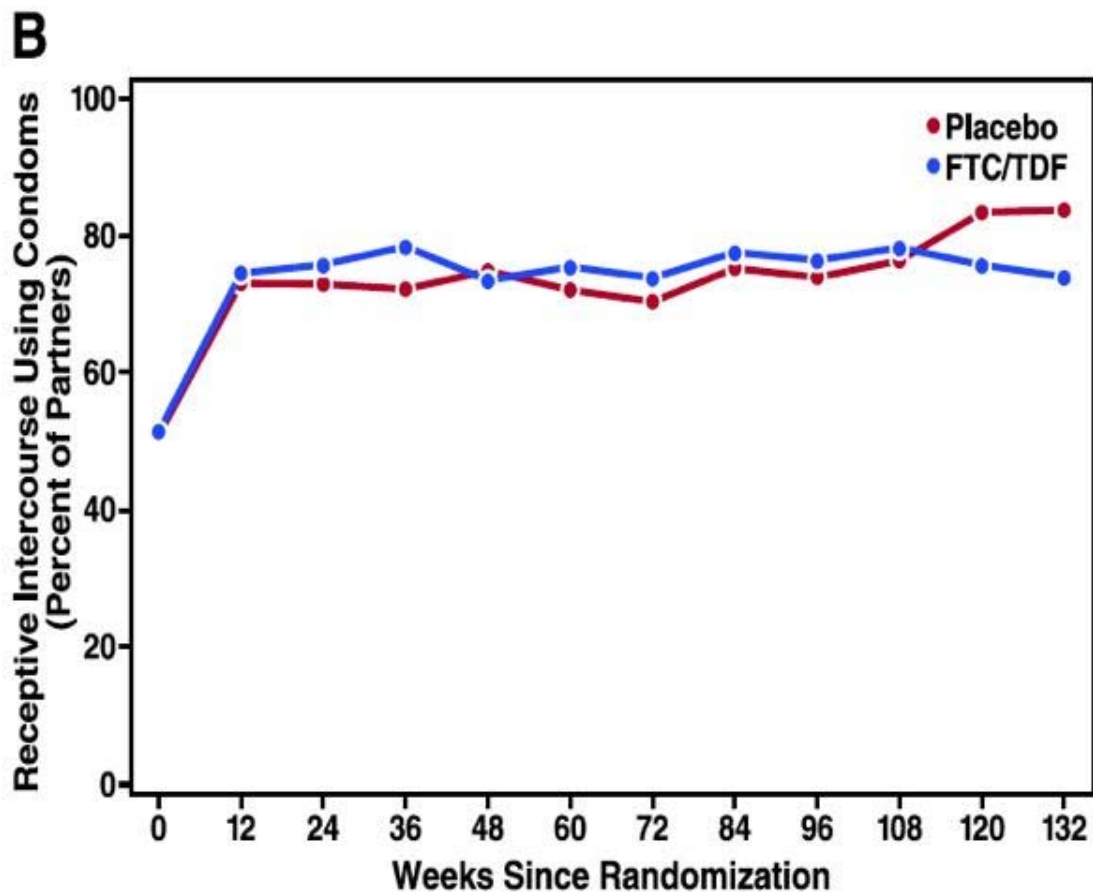




# Sexual Partners



# Condom Use with High Risk Sex



# Conclusions: Efficacy

Oral FTC/TDF PrEP provided additional protection against the acquisition of HIV infection among MSM receiving a comprehensive package of prevention services.

Detectable drug in blood strongly correlated with the prophylactic effect.



# Conclusions: Safety

There was no moderate or severe toxicity.

Nausea and unintentional weight loss were more common in the first few weeks of FTC/TDF use, occurring in less than 1 in 10.

FTC resistance occurred when FTC/TDF was started in people who were already HIV infected.

FTC and TDF resistance did not occur among those infected after PrEP started.







# Open Label Extension

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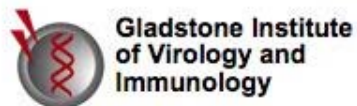
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# Premise

Sexual and pill taking behavior are significant determinants of PrEP effects in practice

Information about PrEP safety and efficacy could affect behavior





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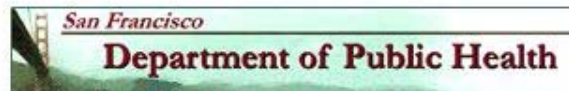
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