

## **Understanding PrEP Effectiveness**

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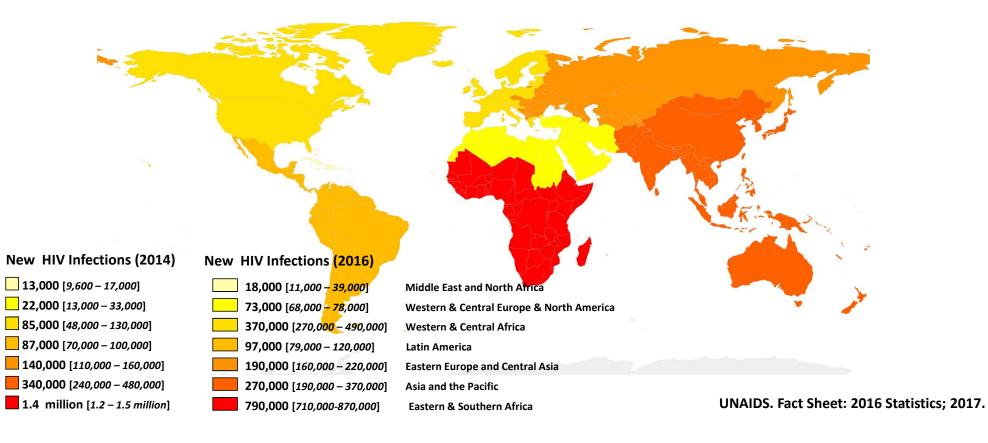


## Outline

- Prevention Modalities for HIV
- PrEP
- Efficacy vs Effectiveness
- Effectiveness of TDF/FTC as PrEP
- Factors contributing to Effectiveness



## **1.8 Million New Infections in 2016**





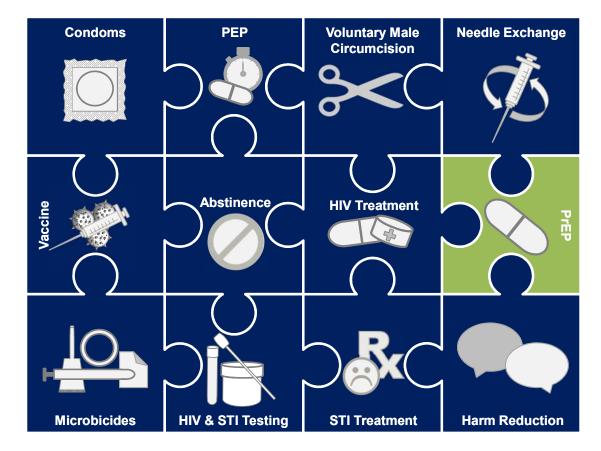
## **HIV Prevention**



- There are various "tools" that can prevent HIV acquisition
- New "tools" to prevent getting HIV are urgently needed



## **Prevention Modalities**





## What is **PrEP**?

- Taking drugs before exposure to an infectious agent is called <u>Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis</u>
- It is a concept. A drug or combination of drugs can be used for PrEP but concept of PrEP not limited to a drug.
- Not a new concept, for example Malaria prophylaxis common for travelers is also PrEP for Malaria



## Why Antiretroviral Drugs for HIV PrEP?

- Data suggesting that ARV prophylaxis may be effective
  - ARVs for PMTCT
  - Post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV (PEP)
  - Monkey models for SHIV transmission
- Available ARVs appear safe
- In 2012 the FDA approved Truvada<sup>®</sup> to be used as PrEP in the US for HIV prevention
- Used as part of a HIV prevention package (risk reduction counseling and condoms)



## **Other Candidates for PrEP**

- Other drugs are being evaluated as PrEP agents: e.g. Injectable Cabotegravir, Dapivirine rings etc.
- SO Truvada is one option for PrEP, and we hope not the only option.
- SO we have to start understanding that PrEP and Truvada are not interchangeable. PrEP is a concept, Truvada is one type of PrEP
- Similar to Xerox is not the only photocopier OR Fedex is not the only courier









## **Efficacy and Effectiveness**

- Efficacy is the effect in perfect conditions: maximum possible effect of drug
- Effectiveness is the effect in the real world: A useful clinical effect

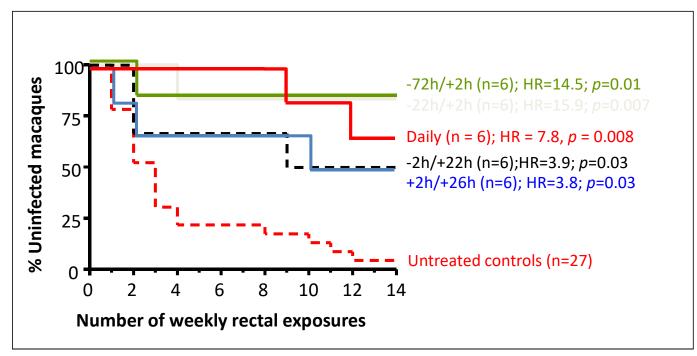
#### **Example**

*Efficacy:* Antibiotics kill bacteria and are efficacious in curing infections.

*Effectiveness:* If you do not take the pills as prescribed, infection may not get cured, and may lead to a 'rebound' of those strains not killed (resistant microbes).

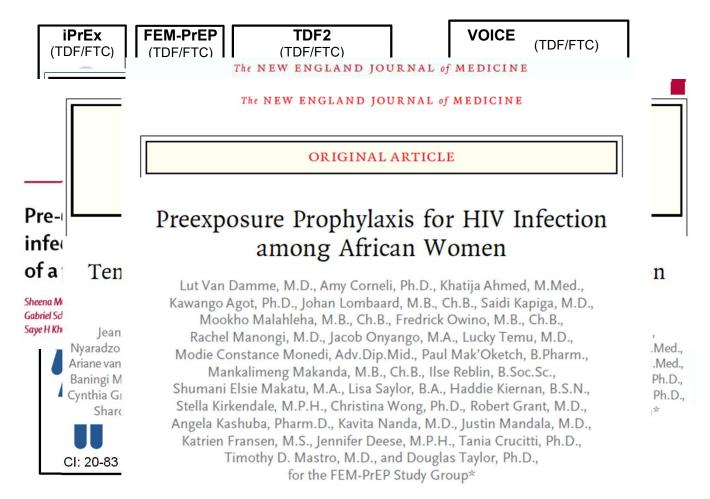


## Efficacy of Daily/iPrEP with Oral Truvada



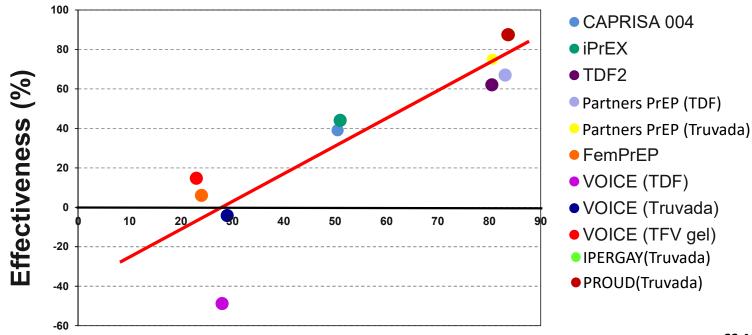
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## **Effectiveness of Daily TDF/FTC in Clinical Trials**





#### Relationship Between Effectiveness and Adherence in Microbicide & PrEP Trials



Percentage of Participants' Samples with detectable drug levels

SS Abdool Karim, personal communication

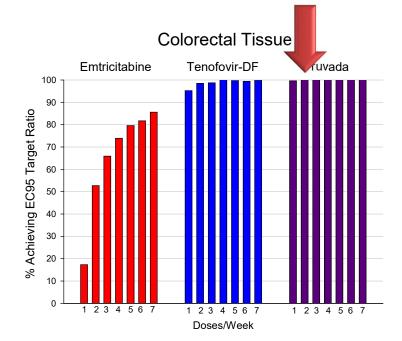
#### Adherence and HIV Protection: Oral PrEP

	% of blood samples with tenofovir detected	HIV protection efficacy in randomized comparison	HIV protection estimate with high adherence
Partners PrEP	81%	75%	90% (tenofovir in blood)
TDF2	79%	62%	78% (prescription refill)
BTS (PWID)	67%	49%	<b>70% - 84%</b> (tenofovir in blood / pill count)
iPrEx	51%	44%	92% (tenofovir in blood)
FEM-PrEP & VOICE	<30%	No HIV protection	N/A

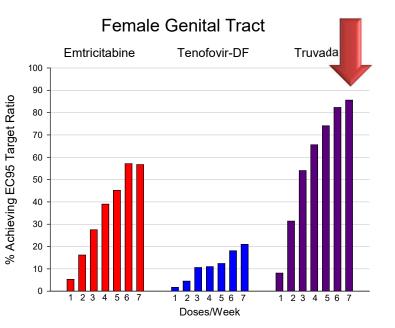
# When adherence was high, HIV protection is consistent and high.

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#### Achieving Steady State in Rectal vs FGT.



#### Cottrell et al J Infect Dis. 2016 Jul 1;214(1):55 Slide courtesy: Angela Kashuba



## iPrEx OLE= ↓ HIV incidence by 90% with 2 Truvada doses per week

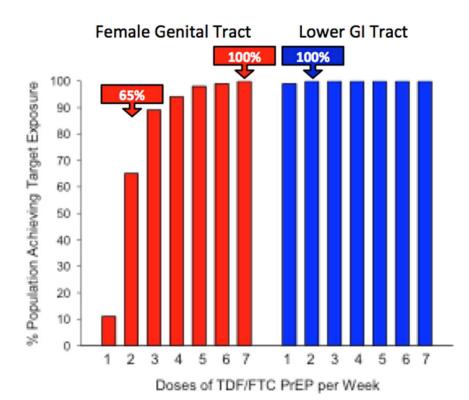
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Partners PrEP= ↓ HIV incidence by 90% with 7 Truvada doses per week

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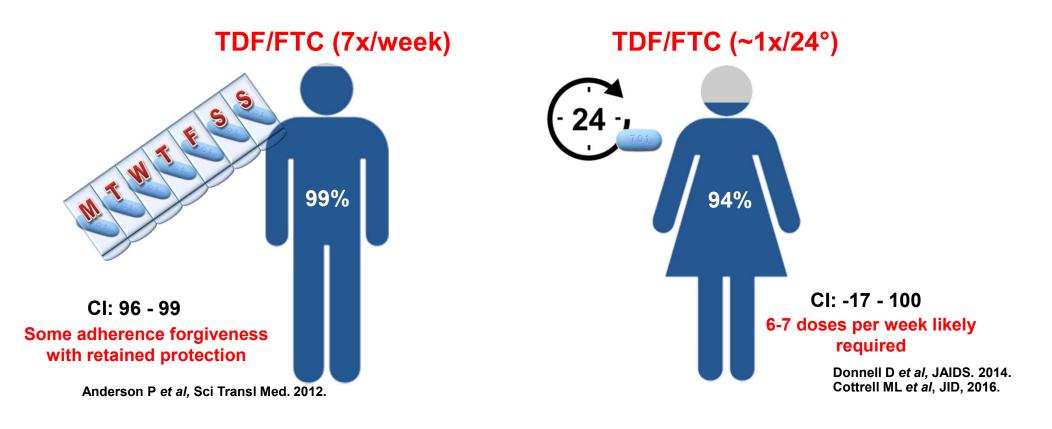
## **TDF/FTC PrEP for Women: Adherence**



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#### **Maximizing the Potential Effectiveness**





## Summary

- ✓ Prevention of HIV is an urgent priority- PREP is one tool
- ✓Truvada is the only approved agent for HIV PREP
- ✓Oral Truvada works as PrEP if taken daily
- Variability in Effectiveness in women may be due to factors like adherence, drug concentration in female genital tract

CDC recommendation:

When taken every day, Truvada as PrEP is safe and highly effective in preventing HIV infection.



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