



## **HIV Prevention Plus Plus:**

Developing Options that Meet the Full Range of our Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs



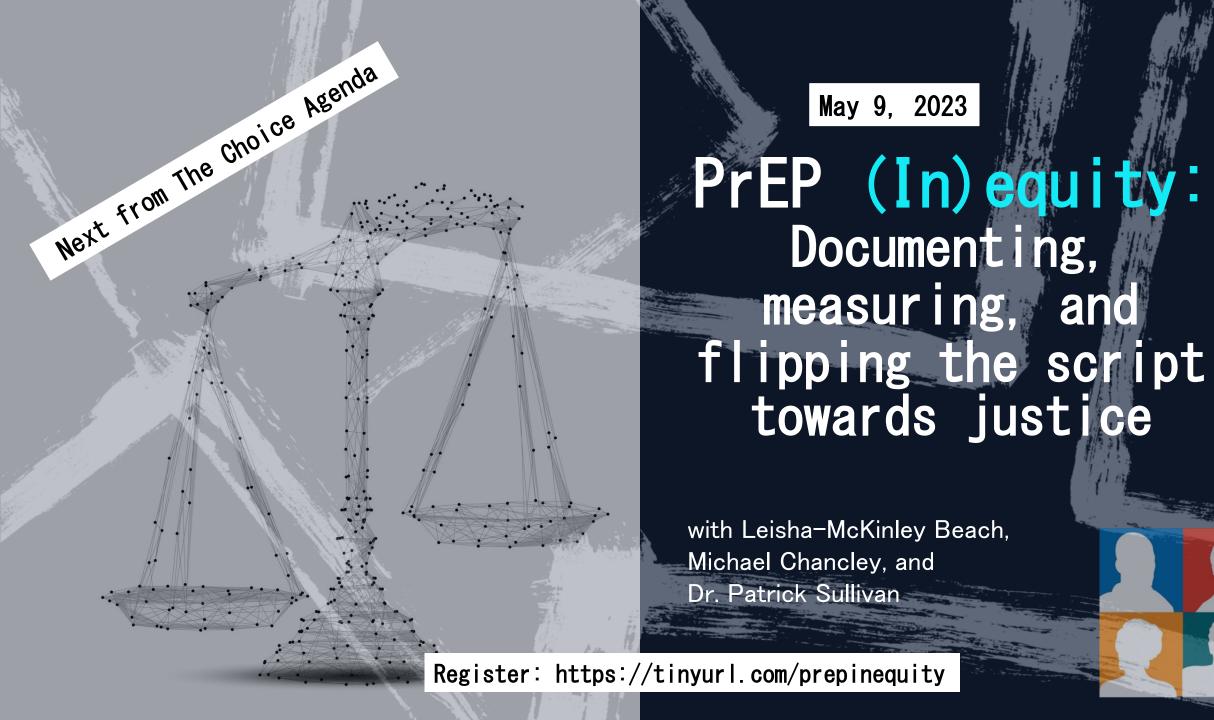
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# What you need to know about the Dual Prevention Pill (DPP)

The next MPT on the horizon

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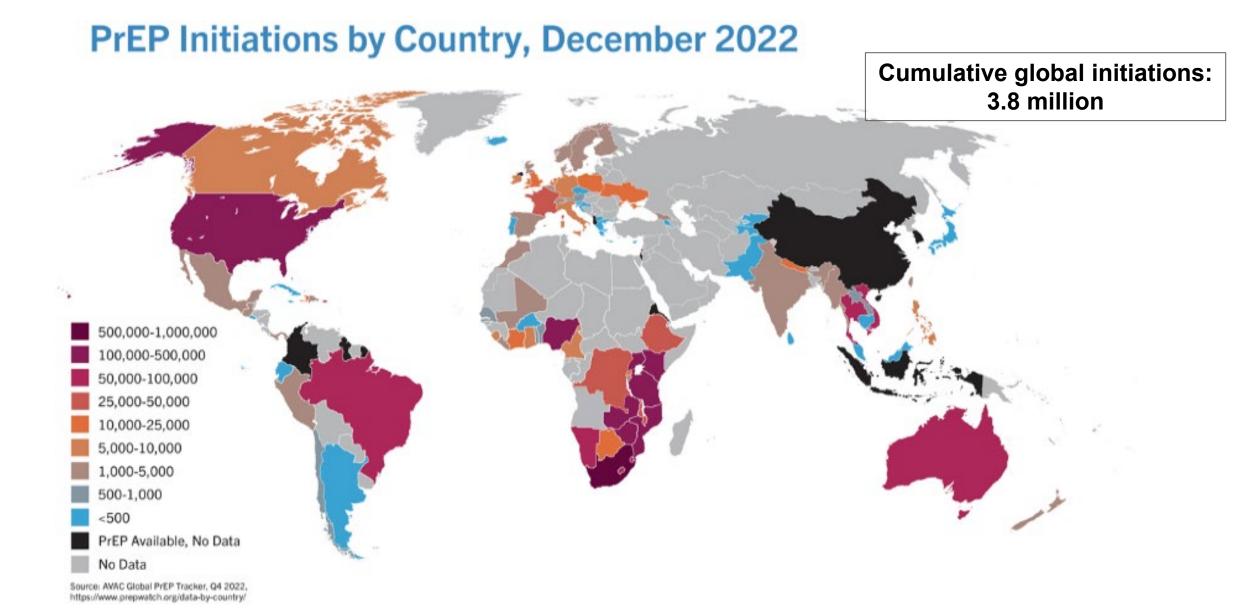




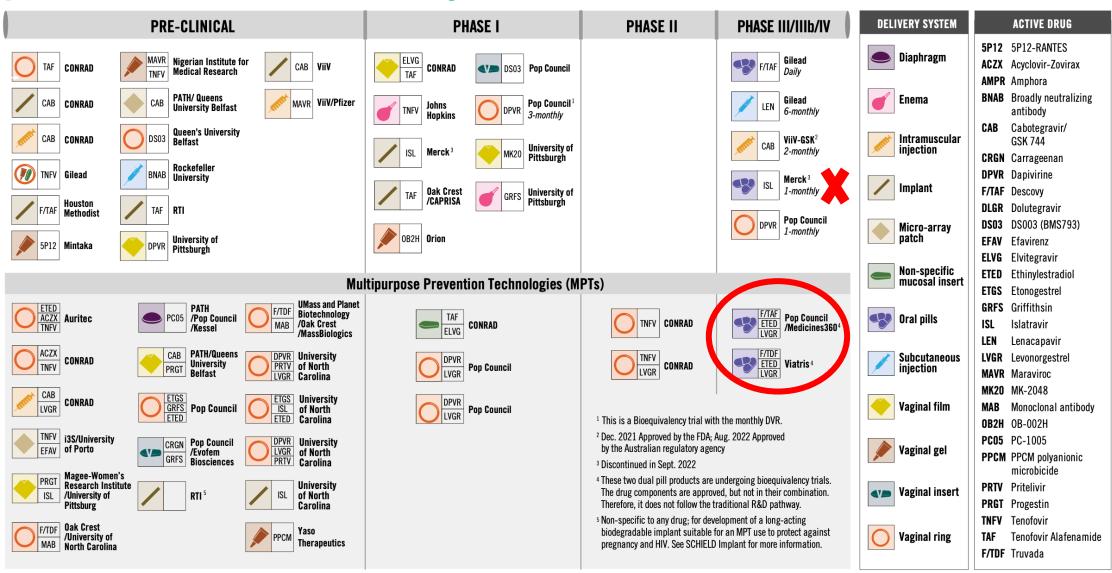




## Oral PrEP uptake is growing rapidly, with sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) comprising 75% of global initiations



## Amid robust MPT and PrEP pipelines, the DPP would be the <u>only</u> new product on the horizon for years

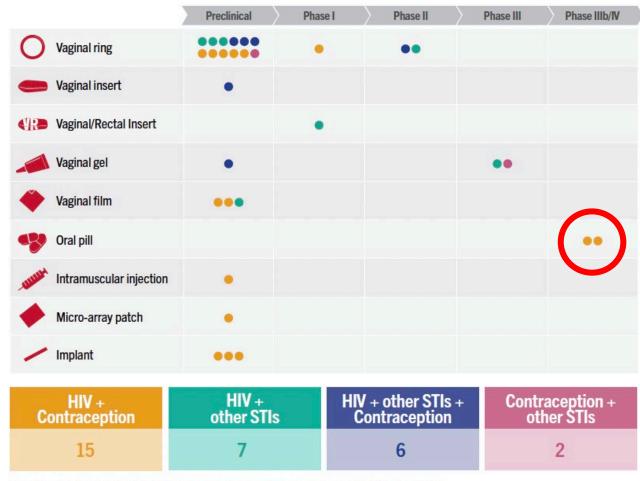




## **Advocates' Guide to Multipurpose Prevention Technologies (MPTs)**

#### AT A GLANCE: THE MPT R&D PIPELINE

Status of products in development



Adapted from: The Initiative for MPTs (IMPT) Product Development Database; Treatment Action Group (TAG) 2022 Pipeline Report.

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## So what is the DPP?

- Daily pill for HIV and pregnancy prevention
- Viatris developing co-formulated tablet with TDF/FTC (oral PrEP) + LNG/EE (combined oral contraception, COC)
- 28-day regimen with different colored pills for 21 vs. 7 days
- Packaging will be wallet pack to more closely resemble
   OC packs, with tear-off weekly sheets with instructions
- Branding/secondary packaging will have women's lifestyle feel
- Population Council/Medicines 360 also developing F/TAFbased DPP, which could be 1/3 smaller than the DPP with TDF/FTC

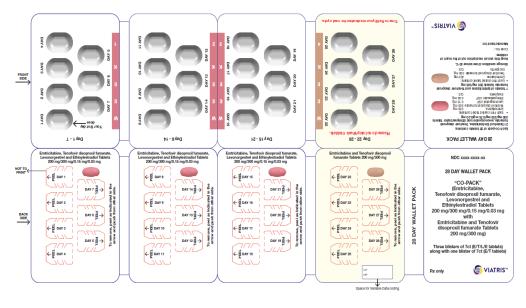
Viatris plans to file for regulatory approval with US FDA in 2024

Figure 1: Proposed DPP tablet colors





Figure 2: Illustrative mock-up of DPP packaging by Viatris



## The DPP offers both a product that can fill critical gaps in women's health and a platform to spur integration and generate lessons for future MPTs

#### THE LANDSCAPE

#### THE OPPORTUNITY

#### The Product



- ✓ Oral contraception (OC) is a substantial, consistent market share in high-burden HIV settings
- ✓ Persistent unmet need for FP
- ✓ Many women at risk of HIV face challenges using oral PrEP and prefer dual-indication products

## ✓ Growing interest in MPTs with developers, researchers, governments, end users



The MPT

**Platform** 

- ✓ Accelerated pathway to market entry via bioequivalence studies (no clinical trial)
- ✓ First MPT to reach markets since condoms
  and first with PrFP

## **End Users**



User-controlled, co-formulated pill supports convenience and may motivate increased knowledge, use and adherence compared to oral PrEP

#### Health Systems



Building off expanding PrEP delivery channels, the DPP will foster HIV/SRH integration and prompt adaptations that will benefit future MPTs (regulatory, delivery, financing, and more)

## What progress has been made?

## End Users: We developed a creative route for the DPP with end users, male partners and providers that responds to their values, beliefs & identities

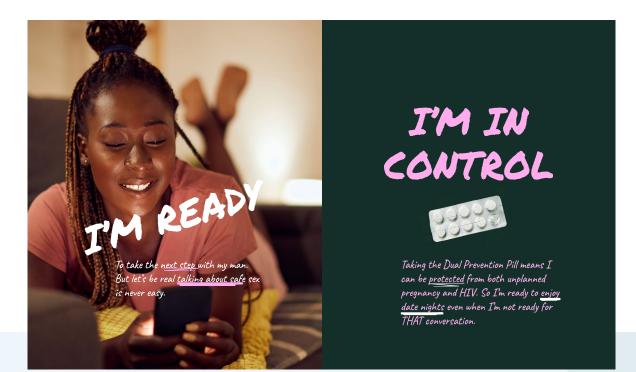


#### What we've learned

Women juggle competing values: self-focused, relationship and community values shape women's identities, requiring balancing sociocultural expectations with personal desires/motivations.

Women struggle with: the unpredictability of life; uptake of OC/PrEP has often been triggered by the negative actions of their partners.

Women want: Help to make it easier for them to use the DPP.



#### **How it matters for the DPP and MPTs**

#### DPP motivates 'her' to embrace the woman she is:

Users felt motivated when their individuality as women was celebrated, whether through a goal-oriented, enjoyment or self-care lens.

Moments not demographics: Use everyday "moments" in women's lives where the DPP carries relevance as entry points. The DPP can help users navigate "moments" when they need to take control of their sexual health (e.g. unfaithful partner, want to enjoy sex outside of marriage, when not sure of partner's HIV status).

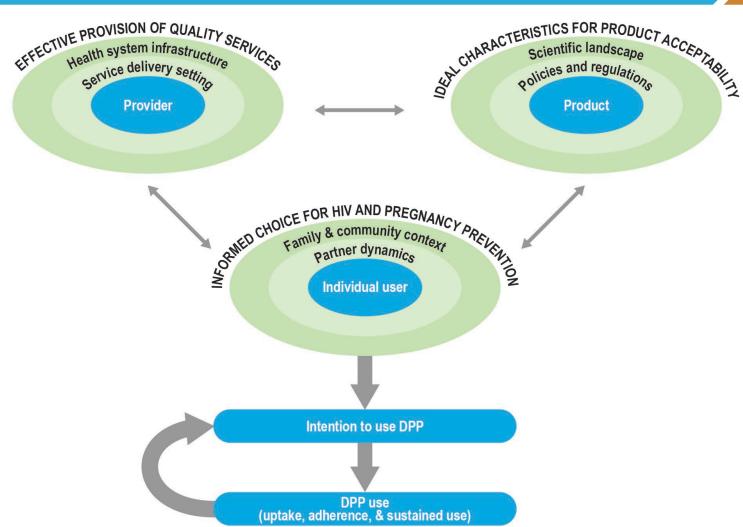
Opportunity to: position men as 'protectors' of women in their lives to engage them on support for DPP.

Balance the tension: between creating public awareness for social acceptability of the DPP and remaining targeted and discreet (safe/trusted channels).

## Product Development and Introduction: We created a novel framework for introduction of MPTs ...



#### What we've proposed



#### **How it matters for the DPP and MPTs**

Successful DPP rollout requires careful consideration of user-, provider-, and product-centered factors during product development and introduction.

Early attention to these interrelated factors can help ensure that the DPP has the ideal characteristics for maximum product acceptability, that effective and quality services are designed and implemented, and that users can make informed choices, demand the product, and use it effectively.

The proposed framework outlines key considerations for the effective development and introduction of the DPP, which could also facilitate integration models for future MPTs.

### Health Systems: We developed an innovative model to assess costeffectiveness of the DPP, integrating HIV and FP outcomes



#### What we've learned





**Impact of epidemic profile**: The DPP is more likely to be cost-effective in settings with **high HIV incidence**.

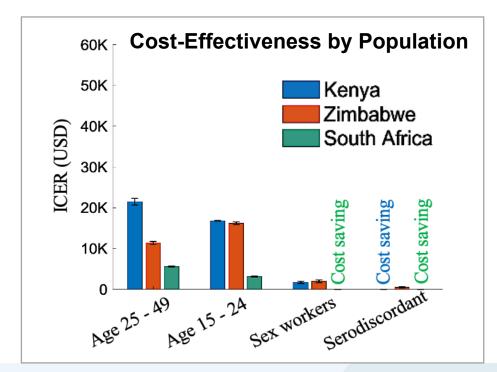


**Populations**: The DPP is likely to be **cost-saving in several populations**, including SWs and SDCs.



#### **Use Patterns:**

Costeffectiveness in other groups is more likely in the context riskinformed use and/or significantly improved adherence.



Health Systems: With effective targeting, the DPP can generate cost savings, helping programs to do more with less.

Effective Use: DPP is cost-saving among SWs in South Africa, even with relatively low effective protection (19%), and among SDCs in Kenya and SA with moderate effective protection (>75%). The DPP is net-beneficial across most scenarios.

Need for Effective Counseling: Risk of net-harm if DPP reduces adherence among OCP users at lower risk of HIV. Nuanced messaging and effective counseling is needed to support informed choice and effective use.

## These learnings are the tip of the iceberg...

- ✓ DPP creative route
- ✓ Product introduction framework
- ✓ DPP cost-effectiveness modeling

#### RESEARCH

Formative research

Acceptability studies

HPTN 104 study

#### SERVICE DELIVERY

Provider counseling recommendations

Private sector delivery strategy

#### **HEALTH SYSTEMS**

Analyses of M&E systems, global procurement landscape, policies to support choice

**AND MORE!** 

## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

**DPP Advisory Board** 

DPP Civil Society Advisory Group

Visit Prepwatch for more information on the DPP

## Thank you!



## Overview of upstream Multi-purpose Prevention Technology Products in MATRIX

A USAID Project to Advance the Research and Development of Innovative HIV Prevention Products for Women

The Choice Agenda

HIV Prevention Plus Plus: Developing Options that Meet the Full Range of our Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs

Thesla Palanee-Phillips on behalf of the MATRIX team Wits RHI, Johannesburg, South Africa 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023







## Overview

- What is MATRIX
- What are we trying to do?
- What are the products we are trying to develop
- What gaps do they fill in the HIV prevention landscape?

Microbicide R&D to Advance HIV Prevention Technologies through Responsive Innovation and eXcellence

#### USAID Product Research and Development Guiding Principles Over the Last 5 Years

Understand user lifestyles, drivers, barriers, and preferred attributes Support research that incorporates a range of desirable characteristics Prioritize research for products that meet the needs of the end-user **Optimize** development with affordability. feasibility, HCS needs, community acceptability



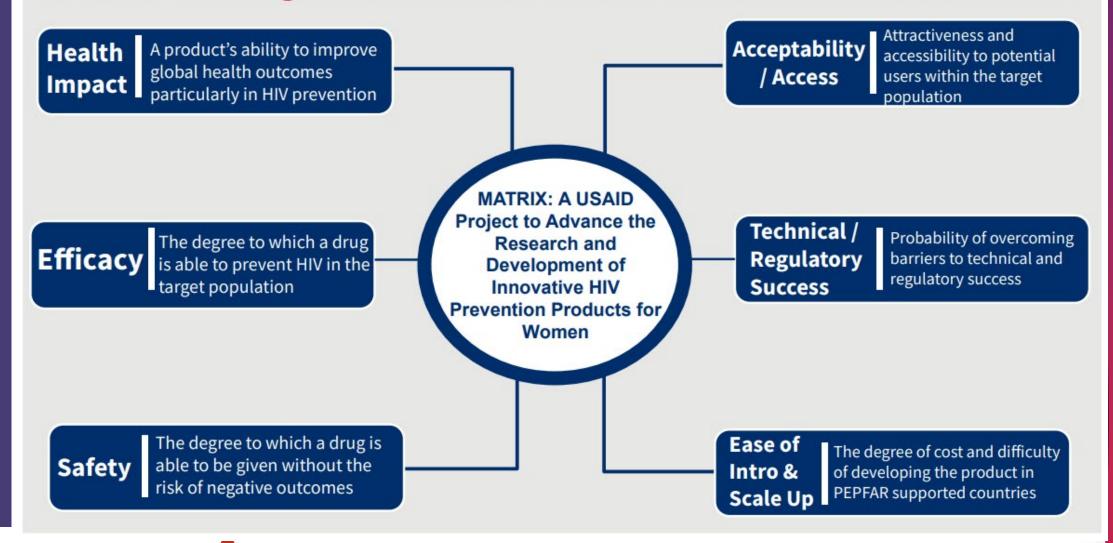
## **Project Overview**

- 5-year, \$125 million Cooperative Agreement Funded by the USAID initiated in 2022
- Implemented with oversight from the Magee-Womens Research Institute and Foundation, USA and Wits RHI, SA alongside 19 implementing partners in South Africa, Kenya, Zimbabwe and the USA

Project Goal: Develop a range of HIV prevention products which are acceptable, affordable, scalable, and deliverable and meet the unmet needs of women at risk of HIV infection through equitable North-South partnerships and rigorous evaluation of project R&D activities



## **USAID Strategic Priorities for HIV Prevention Product R&D**











# MATRIX Overview: Advancing R&D of Innovative HIV Prevention Products for Women Six Technical Areas



Technical Area	Objective	Led by			
1: Early-stage product R&D	Support research of game-changing products (within 5 years of an IND application)	MATRIX Prime and Technology Accelerator Activity Hub; Includes Product Development (PD)			
2: Late-stage product R&D	Support research of later-stage products (within 5 years of regulatory approval)	no PD groups in this space currently			
3: Clinical trial design for R&D	Implementation of strategies to provide evidence of product safety among US and African women	Clinical Trials Activity Hub			
4: Participatory research for product R&D	Engage HIV prevention target populations/ audiences to identify product preferences, needs and priorities and inform technical decisions	Design to Delivery (D2D) Activity Hub			
5: Local R&D capacity strengthening	Improve and expand equitable and productive R&D partnerships among local institutions, scientists	Capacity Strengthening, Engagement and Mentorship (CaSE) Activity Hub			
6: Business case for R&D	Ensure R&D investment decisions are informed by an understanding of eventual market uptake	Business, MArket Dynamics and Commercialization Hub (BACH) Activity Hub			



## **Product Pipeline Overview**

2	Product	Developer	Product Type	Active ingredient	How used	How long protected?	MPT?	Unique features	Status
1	TAF/EVG Fast- dissolving insert	CONRAD (USA)	Fast- dissolving insert	TAF/EVG tenofovir alafenamide & elvitegravir (NRTI & integrase inhibitor)	On-demand (at the time of sex)	Up to 3 days	HIV and HSV	Could be used vaginally or rectally - as PrEP or PEP	US/North American studies conducted first Phase 1 study in African women planned for 2023
2	Griffithsin Fast- dissolving vaginal insert	Population Council (USA)	Fast- dissolving insert	A protein -Griffithsin Viral entry inhibitor	On-demand (at the time of sex)	4 hours	HIV and HPV HSV	Active ingredient derived from seaweed	Pre-clinical
3	One month dapivirine vaginal film	Univ of Pittsburgh (USA)	Vaginal film	<b>Dapivirine</b> NNRTI	Women insert themselves	1 month		Releases drug until film completely dissolves	Placebo study being planned for 2023
4	Non-ARV/ nonhormonal contraceptive multipurpose vaginal ring (LAMP-IVR)	Oak Crest Inst of Science (USA)	Vaginal ring	A peptide (protein fragment)- acts against HIV (& HSV/HPV)  A small molecule Inhibits sperm's movement & ability to penetrate, fertilize eggs	Women insert themselves	1-3 months	HIV and HPV HSV pregnancy	Non-ARV and nonhormonal Could be used with or without contraceptive	Placebo trial being planned for 2023
5	Cabotegravir injectable depot	CONRAD (USA)	Injectable depot (storage bubble)	Cabotegravir Integrase strand inhibitor	Injection given under the skin	4-6 months		May be less burden on healthcare system and users	Pre-clinical
6	Cabotegravir dissolvable pellets	CONRAD (USA)	Pellet implant	Cabotegravir Integrase strand inhibitor	Implanted under skin	9-12 months		Slowly dissolves over course of a year; Can be removed after 1-2 months if needed	Pre-clinical

One month dapivirine vaginal film plus levonorgestrel (LNG)



Cabotegravir injectable depot plus LNG



Cabotegravir dissolvable pellets plus LNG

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Three products also to be developed as an MPT with the addition of a hormonal contraceptive

## TAF/EVG Inserts



- Contains 2 anti-HIV drugs, tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) and elvitegravir (EVG) (**NRTI and Integrase inhibitor**)
- Designed to possibly be used on-demand, either before sex (as PrEP) or as PEP (post-exposure prophylaxis) after sex; may offer about 3 days of protection



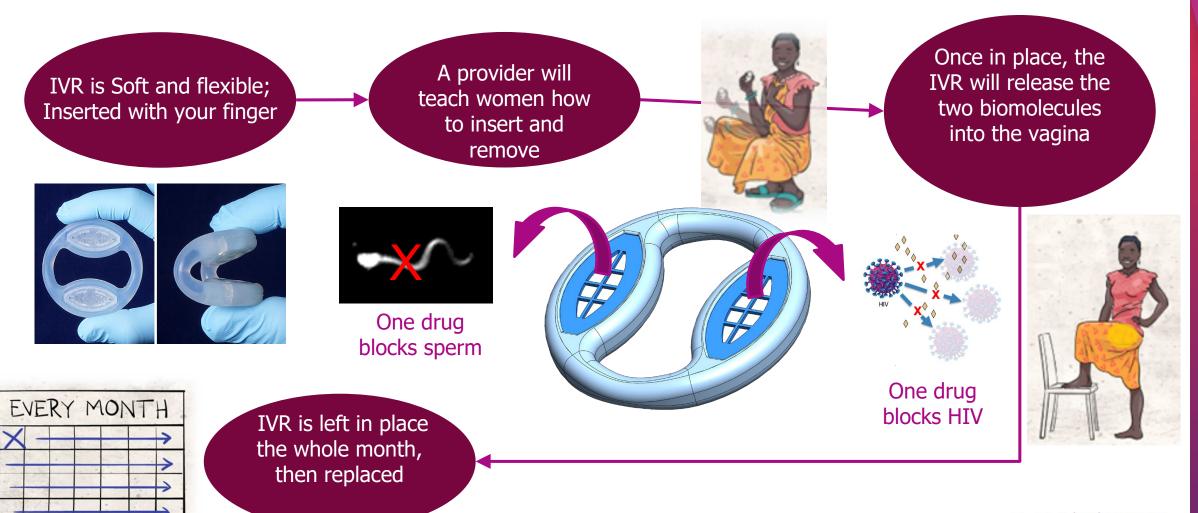
- User can insert it into vagina or rectum themselves
- Potential to prevents HIV and HSV (Herpes) acquired through vaginal or anal sex
- MATRIX 001 Phase 1 trial with vaginal use in US and Africa
   2023

## GRFT Fast Dissolving Insert (FDI)



- Griffithsin (GRFT): Non-ARV anti-HIV ingredient derived from red algae that gets released from the insert – Viral entry inhibitor
- Non-ARV with low risk of HIV resistance, and no HIV testing required prior to use
- Individuals may be able insert FDI vaginally (or rectally) themselves shortly before sex
- Designed to provide protection against HIV for at least 4 hours after insertion
- Activity against Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV) and Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)
- Considered inexpensive, scalable, able to manufacture in LMIC

## Oak Crest Non-ARV Non-hormonal MPT Ring



## One-month dapivirine (NNRTI) vaginal film for HIV prevention with and without Levonorgestrel (LNG)

#### **Ease of Use & Privacy:**

Women control use and insertion of film

Can be used discreetly and inserted anytime in private

Not expected to impact sex

#### **Low Cost:**

Inexpensive to manufacture

No applicator required

## **Superior & Convenient Platform:**

Removal not required Complete drug release Small and portable

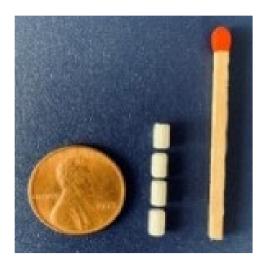
#### **Safe with No Messiness:**

Minimal impact on vaginal health

Minimal to no additional vaginal discharge



## CAB Pellets and CAB Depot with or without LNG



**CAB Pellets** 



- Both products contain cabotegravir (CAB), an ARV approved for HIV prevention- Integrase strand inhibitor
- Would be administered under the skin by a healthcare provider, similarly to contraceptive implants (pellets) or injectables (depot)
- Designed to provide ultra-long-lasting HIV protection (~6-12 months)
- May be used by people of all ages and gender
- Would limit health care system impact by reducing the number of clinic visits, cost, time, and monitoring





- Technology Accelerator to support onboarding of innovations and mitigating unanticipated challenges for products
- Clinical Trials: Matching PDs with clinical trial sites in SSA and providing input on trial design and study implementation
- Design to Delivery (D2D; the end-user and stakeholder hub)
  - **End-user acceptability of and preferences for HIV prevention products**
  - Socio-behavioral research in clinical trials
  - **Broad stakeholder engagement**
- Business, Market Dynamics and Commercialization Hub (BACH; for business cases, investor linkages, and analytics)
- Capacity Strengthening, Engagement and Mentorship (CaSE) hub (for tailored mentorship and training)



## Reminder of MATRIX goals ....

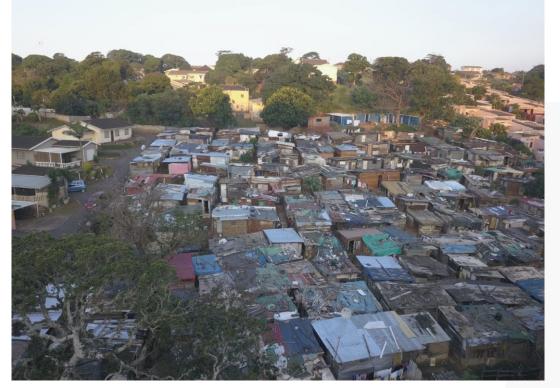
#### Develop a range of HIV prevention products that are:

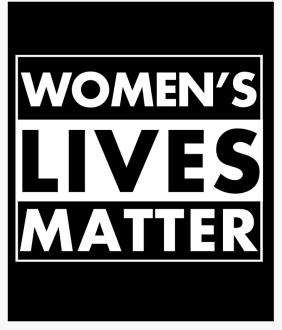
- Acceptable: integration of end-users and stakeholders' feedback from the earliest stages of product development and the deliberate intention to conduct early-stage clinical trials in Sub Saharan Africa to gain early insights on the acceptability of HIV prevention products.
- **Affordable**: Making products more **affordable** by **extending efficacy windows**, reducing costs from clinic visits, employing non-ARV based options to **reduce costs/burden** of HIV testing and leveraging scalable low-cost technologies.
- Scalable: Products prioritized which can be scaled up locally for manufacturing and issues such as product stability and cold chain requirements have been considered.
- Deliverable: MATRIX proposes an integrated program to gain input from Ministries of Health and SSA governmental bodies early in product development to meet needs of those in the Global South

Research Feedback loop:
Active listening, hearing and supported synthesis of findings and informed incorporation is crucial to our PDs and Critical path products success!



Why is it so important?







Because each of our own our lived realities is vastly different to the women and key stakeholders in Africa who need to be heard in order to inform development of products that are acceptable, affordable, scalable and deliverable!

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# Prepresention: Prepresentation: Paving the way for the Dual Prevention Pill

HIV Prevention Plus Plus: Developing Options that Meet the Full Range of our Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs

April 25, 2023

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## **Background: ICWEA**

ICWEA is a membership-based **regional advocacy organization**, founded in 2005, that exists to give visibility on issues that affect **women and young women living with HIV**.

#### Vision

A world where all HIV positive women:

- Have a respected and meaningful involvement
- Have full access to prevention, care and treatment; and
- Enjoy full rights

# **Background: Young People in Uganda**

- Young and rapidly growing populations
  - 50% of the population is under the age of 15 years
  - 70% are less than 25 years of age
  - 3% HIV prevalence in young females; **3x higher than male** counterparts
  - 70% of new HIV infections occur in young females
  - More than 570 females acquire HIV weekly
  - 15% of young women experienced sexual violence
  - 43% of Ugandan girls are married before 18 years

# **Background: Young Women in Uganda**

- High rates of pregnancy among AGYW (25% by age 19, MOH)
  - 350,000 teen pregnancies annually, since 2018
  - 354,736 teen pregnancies registered in 2020 alone (UPHIA)
  - More than half of babies born to under 18 years
  - One in four young girls either pregnant or have given birth by age 19.
- 30% unmet need for family planning

# **Gaps: PrEP and Family Planning Integration in Uganda**

# "I would rather get HIV than be seen pregnant"

- More young women (15-24 old) access contraceptives than oral PrEP
- Many FP providers are not trained to provide HIV services, including PrEP
- HIV risk screening, testing, and counseling is not a regular practice in FP services
- Provider attitudes toward PrEP provision, especially for AGYW, is a challenge for integrated services
- Monitoring and reporting systems are often siloes, with different registers for different services that are not always available across services

# Other Barriers to PrEP and Family Planning Integration in Uganda

- Plans don't translate into implementation because it is not a core responsibility for any actor (e.g., no TWG, no local-level support) and dedicated resources to roll out integrated processes/systems are limited
- Many FP programs operate at/over capacity; integrating PrEP into FP without additional resources risks reducing the quality of both services
- In some settings, both HIV and FP programs experience regular commodity stock-outs, which can hinder integration efforts

# **Progress and Achievement through the Girl Power Project**

# National Dialogue with FP and PrEP Key Stakeholders

- Key discussion points:
  - Global perspective on PrEP/FP integration
  - Overview of HIV/SRHR integration in the country
  - Perspectives on PrEP/FP integration from panel of AGYW, health workers, human rights advocates, and MOH
  - Commitments were made towards advocating for PrEP/FP integration by CSOs
  - MOH to review HIV/SRH integration strategy clearly emphasizes PrEP/FP integration



# **Recommendations for MOH: PrEP-FP Integration**

- Operationalize policies and guidelines—The National Strategy for Integration of SRH, GBV, HIV/AIDS, TB, and Nutrition Services 2022-2025—off the shelves & into the clinics!
- Ensure financing mechanisms by Global Fund and PEPFAR
- Create communications campaign
  - Create materials in local languages
  - Disseminate information on FP and PrEP services
  - Address stigma and discrimination
- Strengthen monitoring and evaluation
- Ensure supply chains, and human resource capacity
  - Consistent supply commodities to avoid stock out by JMS and NMS
  - Train health providers on PrEP distribution and counseling
- Engage young women involved in designing PrEP-FP integrated services
- Foster learning from countries that have successfully implemented PrEP/FP integration (e.g., Kenya)
- Partner with private sector to strengthen PrEP/FP integration

# **Steps Towards Achieving Effective PrEP and FP Integration**

PLANS & POLICIES



### Integration plans

National PrEP plan includes FP sites as PrEP delivery channels, supported by broader prioritization of HIV–FP integration in national HIV, FP, and/or SRH plans.

## Coordination bodies & champions

National and subnational policymakers actively support HIV-FP integration, either as part of a coordinating body or as individual champions.

### Guidelines for differentiated delivery

Guidelines enable PrEP delivery across FP sites by allowing non-HIV providers to offer PrEP, not requiring creatinine clearance testing, and allowing multi-month dispensing for PrEP.

### Eligibility criteria

PrEP is available for general population women and AGYW, in alignment with FP eligibility.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT



#### **Financing**

Financing for HIV prevention, and oral PrEP specifically, is available to be used in FP settings to support integration.

### **Procurement**

HIV and FP procurement are centralized and coordinated so that PrEP can be easily procured in FP facilities and programs.

## Supply chain management

FP sites have effective mechanisms for forecasting demand, avoiding stock-outs, and managing PrEP stores.

SERVICE DELIVERY



## Risk screening & HIV testing

FP providers and/or counselors regularly provide risk screening, HIV tests, and referrals to HIV services for FP clients in accordance with guidelines and/or standard operating procedures.

### **Provider training**

PrEP training is widely available to FP providers (e.g., FP providers are invited and able to attend training, and training time is not prohibitive).

### Ongoing mentorship/ supervision

Regular mentorship/ supervision exists for integrated service providers (e.g., by cross-cutting teams at subnational level).

## Support staff capacity

Support staff
(e.g., counselors,
peer educators,
navigators,
community health
workers) enable
provider
task-shifting to
support integrated
service delivery.

# Dual Prevention Pill: Progress and Achievement through the Girl Power Project

## Information & Education around Dual Prevention Pill Research

- Meeting with Uganda's National Drug Authority
- DPP advocacy platforms were identified and education was conducted:
  - DVR meetings
  - HIV Prevention Research Committee & Coalition
  - AGYW Forum meetings
  - SRHR-related meetings
- PrEP/FP integration was emphasized to pave way for DPP



# Paving the Way for the Dual Prevention Pill and other MPTs

- Currently undergoing bioequivalence testing for DPP
  - Regulatory submission in 2024; could be in Uganda in 2025
- PrEP/FP integration could increase uptake of both commodities
  - Could pave the way for DPP demand and other future MPTs
- Diversifying service delivery of integrated PrEP/ FP package through pharmacies could lay the ground work for DPP/MPTs introduction
  - CSOs and MOH have advocated for funding for pharmacy-based PrEP delivery through PEPFAR
  - Discussions around modality of implementation still ongoing

# **Expected Outcomes of PrEP-FP Integration**

- Reduced HIV-related stigma and discrimination
- Better utilization of scarce human resources for health
- Dual protection against unintended pregnancies and STIs including HIV
- Decreased duplication of effort
- Better understanding and protection of individuals' rights
- Enhanced programme effectiveness and efficiency
- Increased market for PrEP (oral, ring and injectables) and the Dual Prevention Pill

# Thank You for Listening

# Multipurpose Prevention Technology for Key Populations

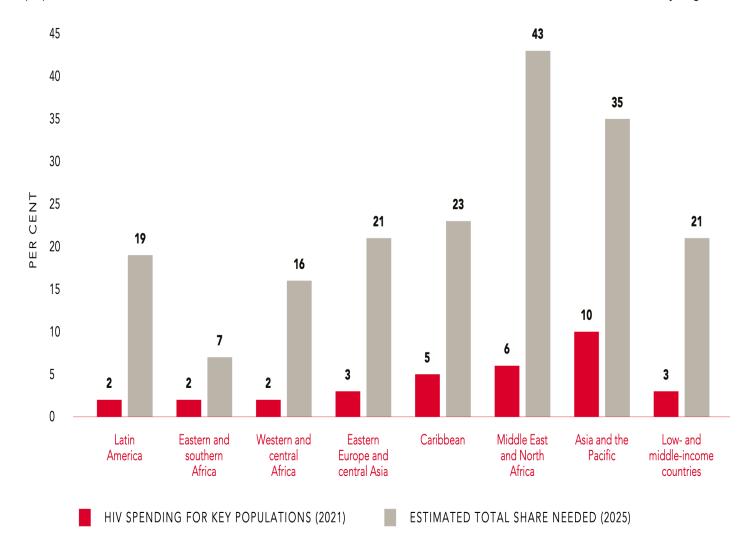
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# KPs and HIV Globally

 KPs are less than 5% of the global population

 but 70% of all new HIV infections worldwide were among key populations and their sexual partners.

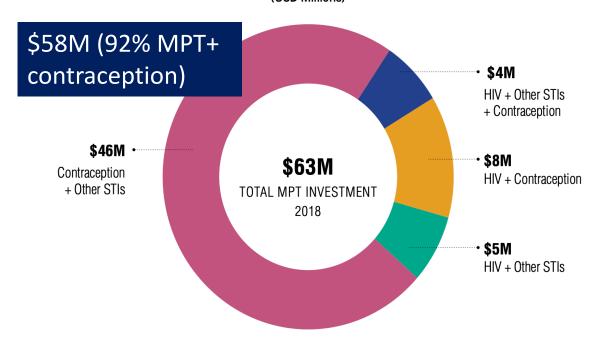
**FIGURE 4.4** Percentage of total HIV spending for prevention and societal enabler programmes for key populations, 2021, and estimated total share needed, 2025, in low- and middle-income countries and by region

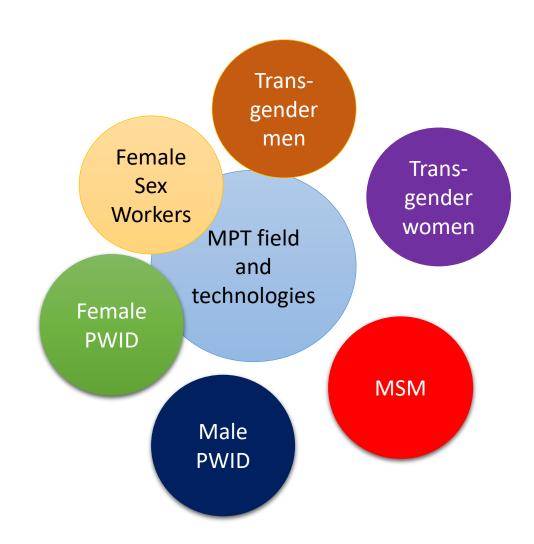


# Multipurpose Prevention Technologies Investment Lag for Some Key Pops More than Others



# INVESTMENT BY MPT INTERVENTION, 2018 (USD Millions)





Source: Resource Tracking for HIV Prevention R&D Working Group, 2018 Report; The Initiative for MPTs (IMPT)

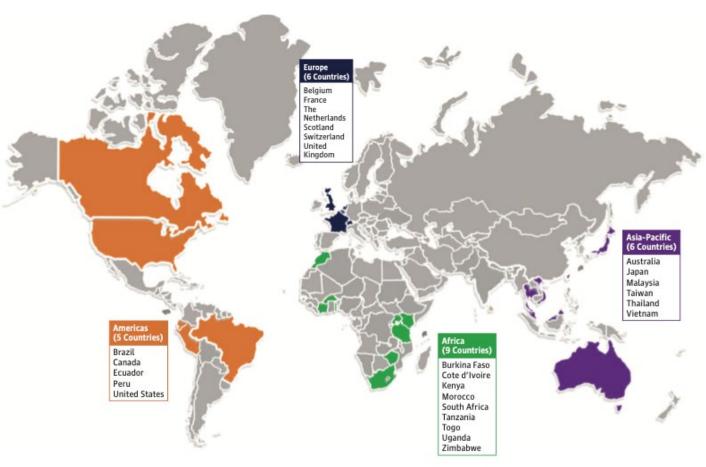
<sup>\*2019</sup> data is not yet fully available; graphic will be updated when possible

# KPs and the case for MPTs

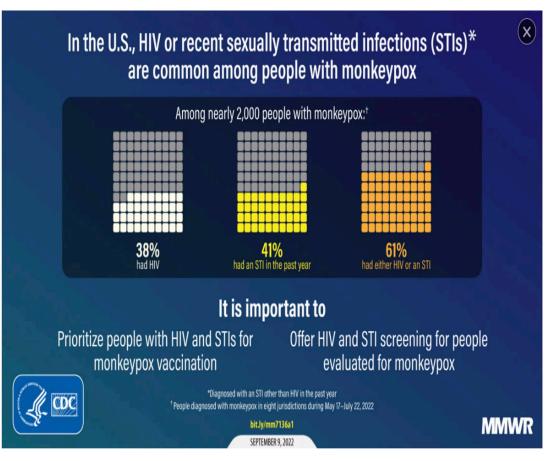
# Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of STI among People who use PREP

### 88 studies

- Composite outcome any chlamydia, gonorrhea, and early syphilis
  - pooled prevalence was 23.9% (95% CI, 18.6%-29.6%)
  - pooled incidence was 72.2 per 100 person-years (95% Cl, 60.5-86.2 per 100 person-years)
- Gc greater in MSM studies
- Ct or Gc highest in the anorectum compared to genital or oropharyngeal sites
- Ct and Gc higher in HICs than LICs



# Concurrent STI, MPOX among PrEP Users

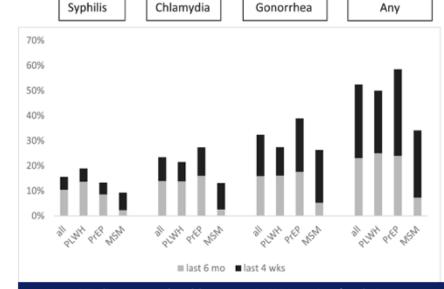


- 41% STI in past year
- 67% HIV- PrEP
- 38% HIV+
- 61% HIV or recent STI

### Viral storm

52.4% dx STI last 6 months; 29.4% dx STI last 4 weeks

Clinical characteristics of monkeypox virus infections among men with and without HIV: A large outbreak cohort in Germany



- New STI diagnoses should prompt MPXV testing (and vice versa
- Fewer proportion of recent STIs (last 4 weeks) among HIV+ and PrEP users; more among non-HIV+/non PrEP users
- Less accurate risk self-assessment/ routine care non-HIV+/non PrEP users?

# MPOX Reinfection Reports







Clinical Infectious Diseases

#### BRIEF REPORT

#### A case of mpox reinfection

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A healthy young man first diagnosed with mpox in May 2022 presented again in November 2022 with anal proctitis and a positive PCR on a rectal swab for MPX virus (MPXV) after a recent trip

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31 year old man on PrEP diagnosed with MPOX and asymptomatic urinary Chlamydia in May 2022

In December 2022, again diagnosed with Chlamydia and tested positive for **MPOX** 

### Case of apparent mpox reinfection

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We present an apparent second episode of mpox (monkeypox) genital ulcerative disease in a nonimmunosuppressed MSM (man who has sex with men) patient who had completely recovered from a primary mpox infection 4 months previously. The patient had also received a complete two-dose course of smallpox vaccination between the two presentations. This case highlights the importance of continuing to include mpox in the differential diagnoses for individuals presenting with genital or mucosal ulceration, regardless of assumed immunity derived from prior infection or

#### RACKGROUND

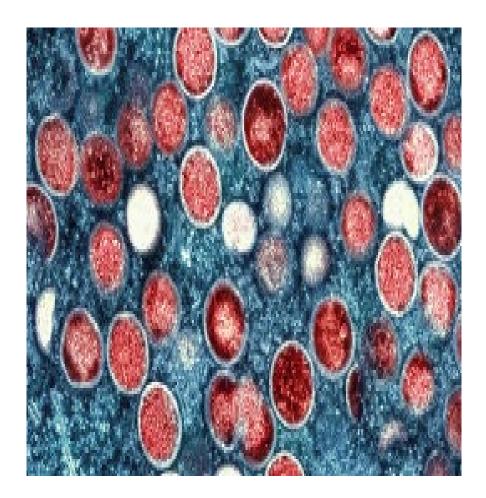
whether primary mpox infection leads to lasting immunity from reinfection.3 We present a case f laboratory-confirmed second mpox infection diagnosed 12 weeks after recovery from the initial

#### PRESENTATION AND INVESTIGATIONS

A white man in his early 30s presented in July 2022 to a sexual health clinic in South West England with a recent history of inguinal lymphadenopathy, rectal discharge and rectal pain. Examination revealed obvious rectal discharge only and no external or mucosal skin lesions. He was treated empirically for proctitis with 2weeks of doxycycline and 1 week of aciclovir. A rectal swab taken on this occasion tested positive for mpox, and he was given recovery within 2 weeks. He received two doses of Ivnneos smallpox vaccination as part of the nationwide programme-the first dose given subcutanelymphadenopathy,2 but there have also been atyp- dose given subcutaneously 10 weeks after that. ical presentations3 such as proctitis.45 It is unclear In November 2022, he re-presented with a 3-day

Table 1 Results of investigations in relation to clinical presentation, attendance and vaccination

- Man in his 30s on PrEP reinfected with MPOX 4 months apart.
- HSV-2 positive
- Patient had a history of Chlamydia and Gc







# DoxyPEP Significantly Reduces STIs in MSM and Transgender Women

 The risk of acquiring three common bacterial sexually transmitted infections (STIs)—gonorrhea, chlamydia, and syphilis—is significantly reduced (60%) when one 200-mg dose of doxycycline is taken within 72 hrs after condomless sex



#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

### Postexposure Doxycycline to Prevent Bacterial Sexually Transmitted Infections

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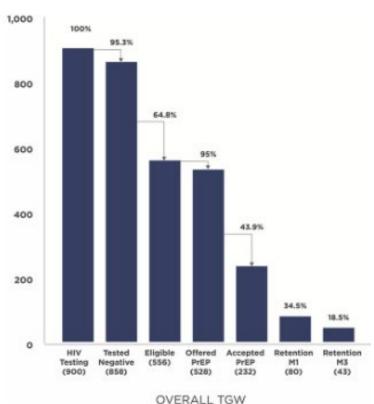
The incidences of the three evaluated STIs were lower with doxycycline than with standard care

In the PrEP cohort, the relative risks were

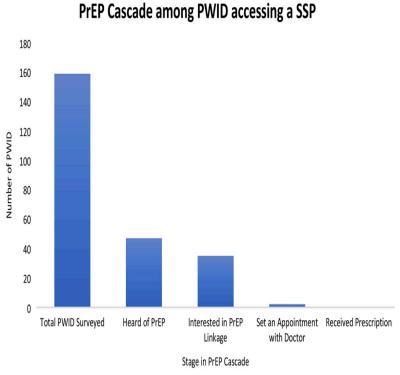
- 0.45 (95% CI, 0.32 to 0.65) for gonorrhea
- 0.12 (95% CI, 0.05 to 0.25) for chlamydia
- 0.13 (95% CI, 0.03 to 0.59) for syphilis,

# Accessing, taking and remaining on daily oral PrEP is not working for KPs

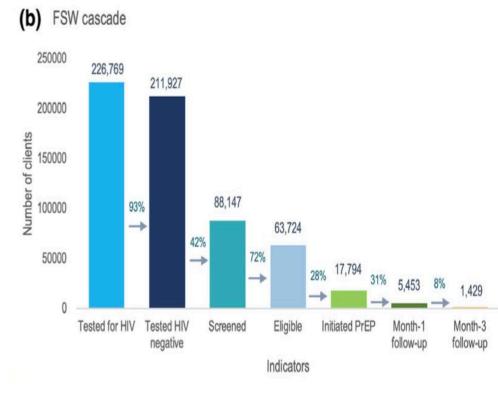
Transgender women (Thailand; Ramautarsing et al., 2020)



PWID (Miami; Jo et al., 2020)



Female sex workers (Kenya; Were et al., 2020)



# Beyond HIV: Causes of Mortality among Trans Populations

- PTSD
- Cardiovascular risk
  - Stress, stigma, discrimination
- Suicide
- Homicide
- Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases (3x greater risk of death compared to cisgender women)

Overall and Cause-Specific MMRs for Transgender and Gender Diverse Individuals Compared with Cisgender Individuals in the UK's Clinical Practice Research Datalink<sup>a</sup>

Cause of death	Transfe	Transfeminine individuals			Transmasculine individuals		
	No.	MRR (95% CI)		No.	MRR (95% CI)		
	who died	Compared with	Compared with	who died	Compared with	Compared with	
		cisgender	cisgender		cisgender	cisgender	
		men	women		men	women	
Overall	102	1.34 (1.06-	1.60 (1.27-	34	1.43 (0.87-	1.75 (1.08-	
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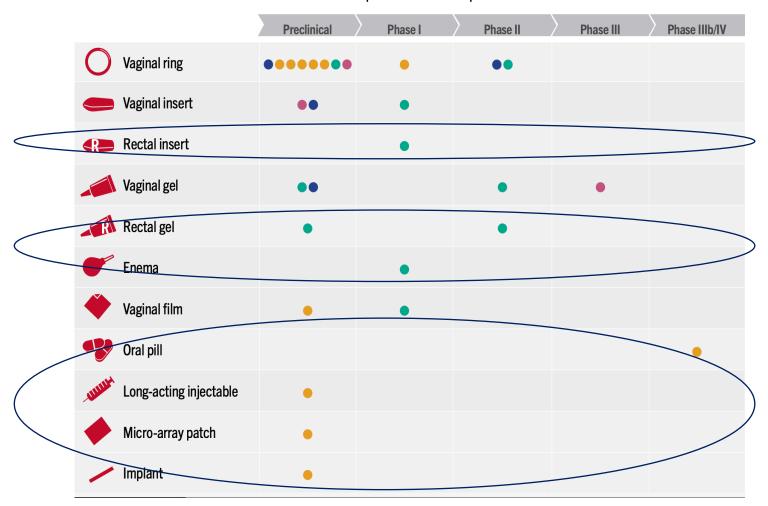
(Jackson, 2023)

# Advocates' Guide to Multipurpose Prevention Technologies (MPTs)



### AT A GLANCE: THE MPT R&D PIPELINE

Status of products in development



# Possible MPTs for Transwomen

### **Silicone injections**

- Body enhancements (thighs, breasts, cheek bones, buttocks)
- Paired with long-term injectable PrEP

### Hormone replacement therapy

- Estradiol valerate injection (every two weeks) paired with injectable PrEP
- Daily Oral 17B-estradiol (paired with PrEP, anxiety depression meds, nutritional/ metabolic treatments)
- 17B-Estradiol patch every 3- 5 days, paired with meds for other ailments

### **Future technology**

• Rectal gels, inserts, enemas



# Possible MPTs for People Who Use Drugs

### **Inhalants**

- Used to fight colds, COVID-19
- Paired with inhalant form of event driven PrEP or Doxy PEP

### **Patches**

- That address skin conditions (e.g. psoriasis, dermatitis)
- Pair event driven PrEP

# **Injectables**

PrEP



# Possible MPTs for Men Who Have Sex With Men

### **Pills**

 Anxiety/ depression/ Doxy-PEP/ PrEP

## Long-acting injectables

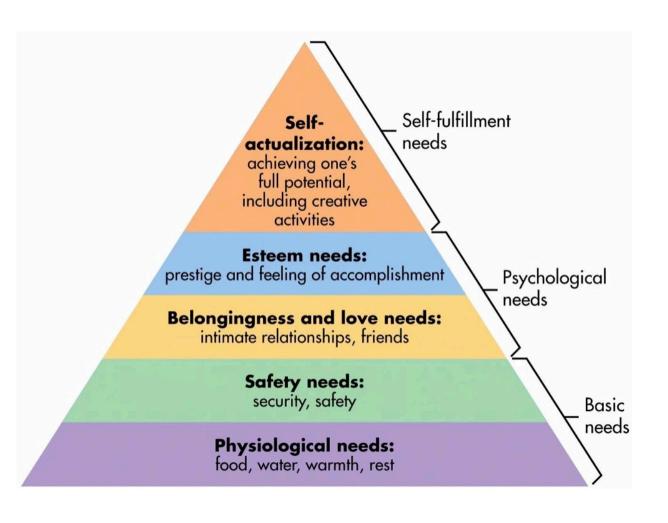
Anxiety/ depression/ PrEP

### **Future innovations**

Patches, implants, rectal gels, enemas, creams (e.g. testosterone)



# For All Key Populations.....



- Structural level issues to address safety and basic needs (food, water, warmth rest)
- Access to affirming and nonjudgmental providers
- Space for and respect communitybased advocacy
- A right to live