

Utilizzo di Cabotegravir iniettivo nella PrEP

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Il sottoscritto **NOZZA SILVIA**
in qualità di relatore

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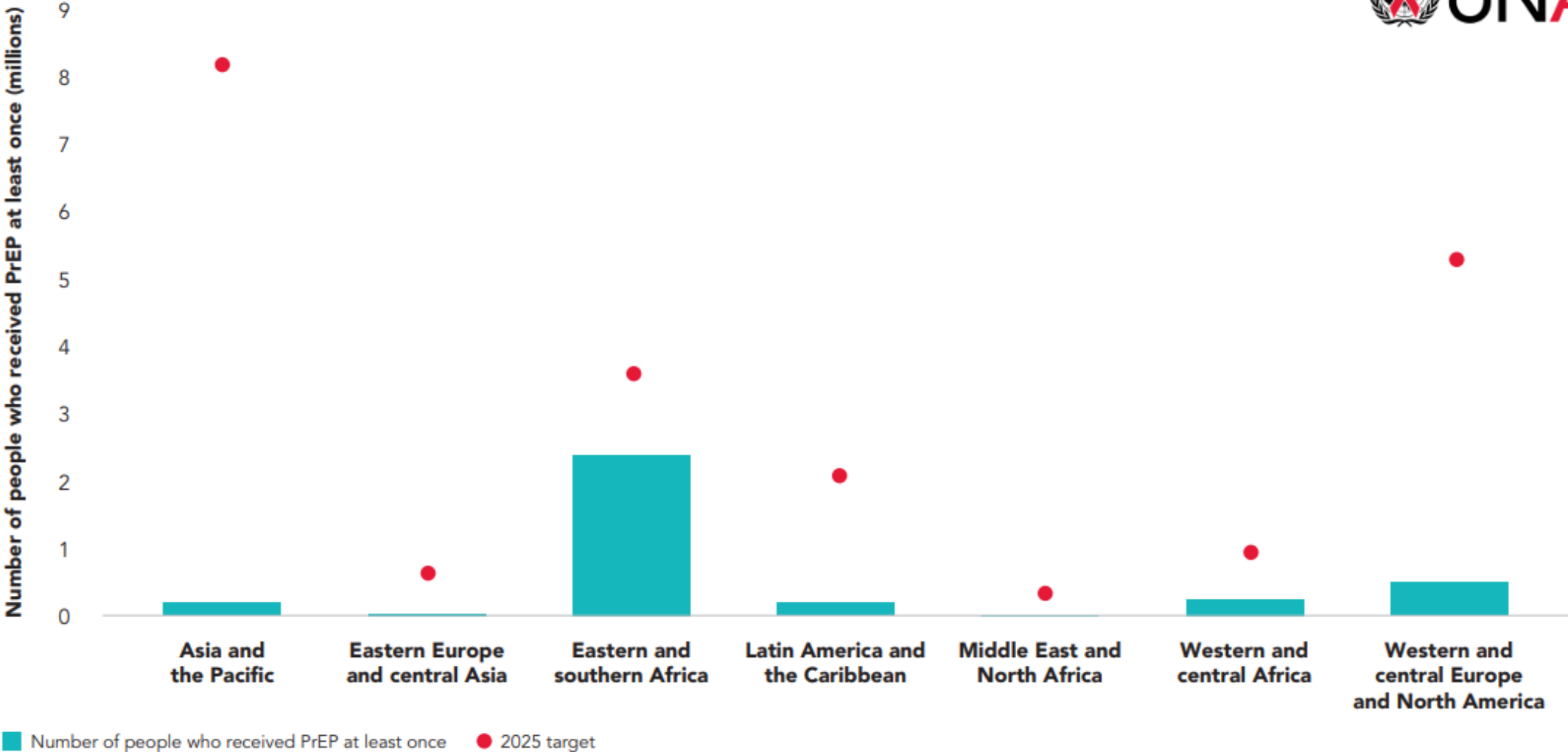
che negli ultimi due anni ha avuto i seguenti rapporti anche di finanziamento con soggetti portatori
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PrEP BARRIERS

- ✓ Adherence.
- ✓ Persistence.
- ✓ PrEP failures and mutations.
- ✓ Toxicity: bone.
- ✓ Toxicity: kidney. Poor studies in TDF/FTC with creatinine clearance < 80 mL/min.

Figure 0.4 Number of people who used pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) at least once in 2023, by region, and 2025 target



KEY POPULATIONS

- ✓ Gay, bisex and others men who have sex with men (**MSM**).
- ✓ People who use intravenous drug (**PWID**).
- ✓ **Sex workers.**
- ✓ Transgender people (**TG**).
- ✓ Young people, in particular women.
- ✓ Prisoners.

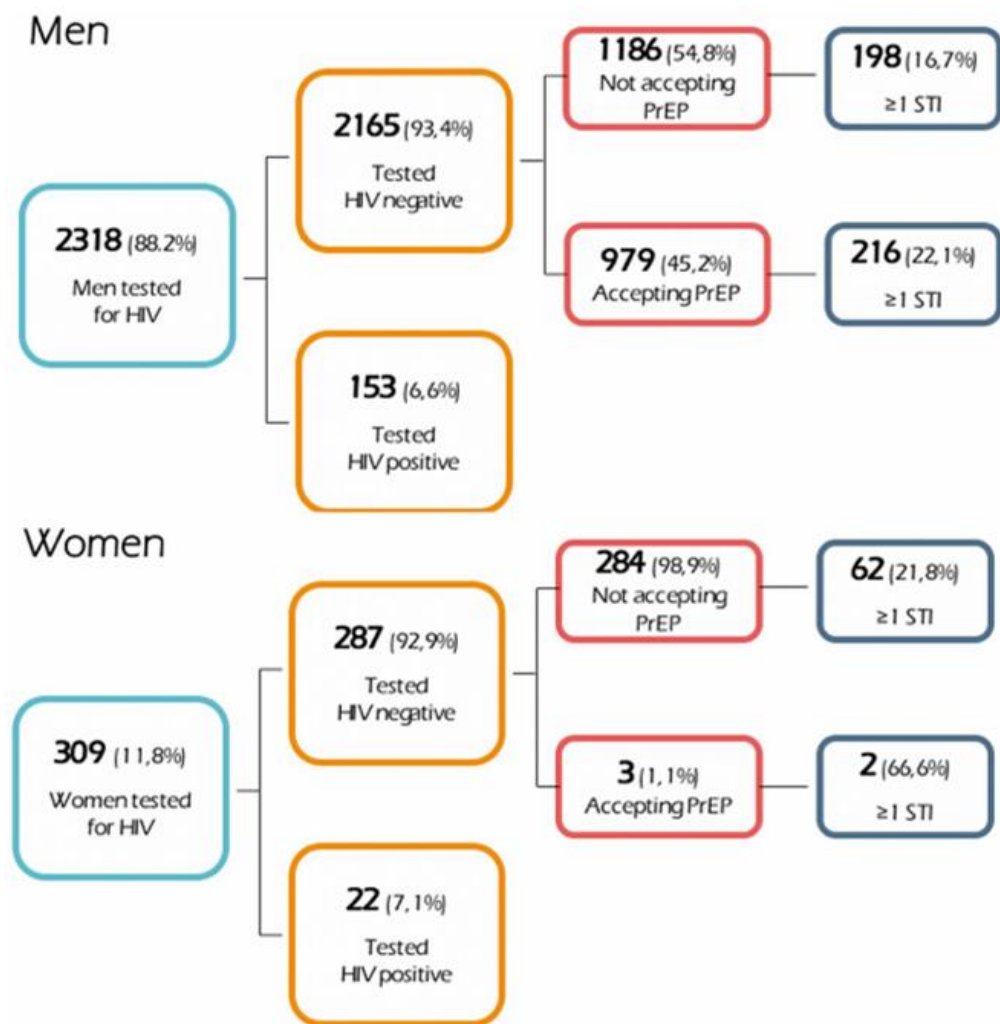
TABLE 1. Characteristics of Individuals With Negative HIV Test Result at Time of HIV Testing According to PrEP Acceptance

	Overall N = 2452	Not Started PrEP N = 1470	Started PrEP N = 982	P
Gender identity (%)				<0.001
Female	287 (11.7)	284 (19.3)	3 (0.31)	
Male	2165 (88.3)	1186 (80.7)	979 (99.7)	
Transgender	3 (0.1)	1 (0.1)	2 (0.2)	0.568
Ethnicity (%)				<0.001
White	2275 (92.8)	1340 (91.2)	935 (95.2)	
Asian	32 (1.3)	23 (1.6)	9 (0.9)	
Black	57 (3.2)	50 (3.4)	7 (0.7)	
Hispanic	84 (3.4)	53 (3.6)	31 (3.2)	
Age (yr)	34.3 (28.7–42.4)	34.6 (27.9–44.8)	34.1 (29.7–40.2)	0.312
Concurrent gonorrhea (%)*	206 (8.4)	93 (6.3)	113 (11.5)	<0.001
Rectal	98 (8.4)	46 (3.1)	52 (5.3)	
Urethral	51 (2.1)	35 (2.4)	16 (1.6)	
Pharyngeal	64 (2.6)	19 (1.3)	45 (4.6)	
Concurrent chlamydia (%)*	182 (7.4)	92 (6.3)	90 (9.2)	0.009
Rectal	138 (5.6)	65 (4.4)	73 (7.4)	
Urethral	61 (2.5)	44 (3.0)	17 (1.7)	
Concurrent syphilis (%)*	82 (3.3)	42 (2.9)	40 (4.1)	0.127
At least 1 concurrent STI (%)*	478 (19.5)	260 (17.7)	218 (22.2)	0.007
At least 1 previous STI (%)†	897 (36.6)	312 (21.2)	585 (59.6)	<0.001
Positive HbsAg (%)	16 (1.3)	16 (1.3)	0 (0)	0.005
Positive hepatitis C virus-Ab (%)	41 (1.9)	38 (3)	3 (0.3)	<0.001

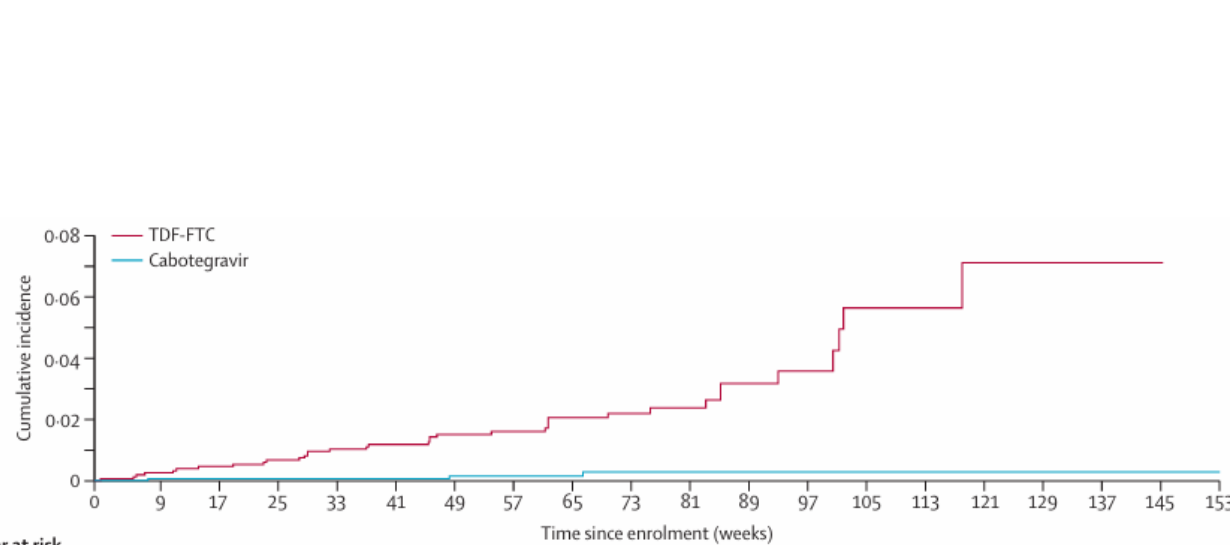
Bold values are significant to $P < 0.05$.

*At time of the HIV test (baseline).

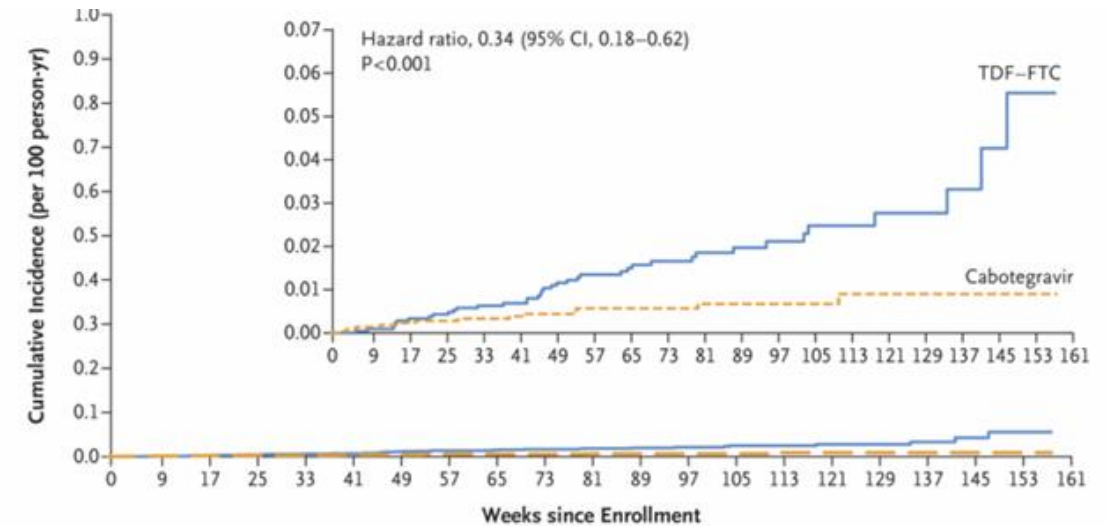
†In medical history.



CABOTEGRAVIR



Number at risk		Time since enrolment (weeks)																			
		0	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105	113	121	129	137	145	151
Cumulative number of events	TDF-FTC	1610	1490	1429	1410	1353	1260	1160	984	800	656	485	306	201	115	70	63	52	22	3	0
	Cabotegravir	1614	1488	1441	1429	1371	1279	1181	988	801	647	482	304	204	116	67	58	50	23	3	2
		0	4	7	10	15	17	21	22	26	27	28	31	32	35	35	36	36	36	36	36
	TDF-FTC	0	4	7	10	15	17	21	22	26	27	28	31	32	35	35	36	36	36	36	36
	Cabotegravir	0	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4



No. at Risk																						
TDF-FTC	2281	2132	2081	2019	1913	1765	1624	1494	1295	1132	965	817	644	517	401	311	231	150	85	33	0	
Cabotegravir	2280	2138	2091	2031	1920	1776	1633	1489	1315	1124	957	798	644	503	401	318	243	173	111	42	0	
Cumulative No. of Events																						
TDF-FTC	0	2	7	9	13	14	22	25	27	29	31	32	33	35	35	36	36	37	38	39	0	
Cabotegravir	0	3	5	6	7	8	9	11	11	11	12	12	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	0	

HPTN 084

Delaney-Moretlwe S. et al, Lancet 2022

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Landovitz RJ et al., NEJM Engl J Med 2021

LONG ACTING PrEP OPTIONS: SUMMARY

	CISGENDER WOMEN		MSM/TGW	
	PURPOSE 1 N=2134¹	HPTN 084 N=1614²	PURPOSE 2 N=2180³	HPTN 083 N=2282⁴
Age	21 (16-25)	25 (22-30)	28 (17-74)	26 (22-32)
Enrollement in clinical trials	0,84 years	1,24 years	0,75 years	1,4 years
HIV infections	0	0	2	4
HIV incidence in TDF/FTC arm	16 1,69 (per 100p-year)	36 1,85 (per 100p-year)	9 0,93 (per 100p-year)	39 1,22 (per 100p-year)
Total injections (median per participante)	10.184	12.901	15.239	20.286
Approval	NO	YES	NO	YES

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LONG ACTING PrEP OPTIONS: ADVERSE EVENTS

	CISGENDER WOMEN		MSM/TGW	
	PURPOSE 1 N=2134¹	HPTN 084 N=1614²	PURPOSE 2 N=2180³	HPTN 083 N=2282⁴
Discontinuations (any reason)	227 (10,6%)	85 (5,2%)	UK	185 (12,5%)
Discontinuations due to ISRs	4	0	26	50
% experiencing ISRs	68,8%	38%	83,2%	81,2%
Nodules	63,8%	5%	63,4%	12%
Induration	NR	12%	UNK	15%
Swelling	44%	12%	UNK	12%
Median duration ISRs (days)	NR	8 days	183 days	4 days

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DDIs PROFILES: CABOTEGRAVIR

- ✓ Anticonvulsivants
- ✓ Mycobacterials
- ✓ Not DDIs with CHEMS

CABOTEGRAVIR IN GUIDELINES

- Significant renal disease.
- Difficulty with adherent use of oral PrEP
- Users who prefer injections every 2 months to an oral PrEP dosing schedule.

600 mg of cabotegravir injected into gluteal muscle every 2 months is recommended for PrEP in adults at risk of acquiring HIV. 30 mg daily oral cabotegravir is optional for a 4-week lead-in prior to injections.

MONITORING

Table 7 **Timing of CAB PrEP-associated Laboratory Tests**

Test	Initiation Visit	1 month visit	Q2 months	Q4 months	Q6 months	Q12 months	When Stopping CAB
HIV*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Syphilis	X			MSM^/TGW~ only	Heterosexually active women and men only	X	MSM/TGW only
Gonorrhea	X			MSM/TGW only	Heterosexually active women and men only	X	MSM/TGW only
Chlamydia	X			MSM/TGW only	MSM/TGW only	Heterosexually active women and men only	MSM/TGW only

* HIV-1 RNA assay

X all PrEP patients

^ men who have sex with men

~ persons assigned male sex at birth whose gender identification is female

MONITORING

- ✓ Efficacy after one week (10-15% after two days)
- ✓ Monitoring every 3 months after discontinuation (one year)

FAILURES IN PrEP IN OSR

- 12 failures/1814 first PrEP prescriptions
- 4/12 mutations

	HIVRNA	MUTATIONS	DRUGS
NUMBER 1	46.300	M184V	NRTIs
NUMBER 2	9.960	M184V	NRTIs
NUMBER 3	20.100	M184MV, L210W	NRTIs
NUMBER 4	244.000	M46MI, G48GA, I54IATV, V82VA	PIs

CABOTEGRAVIR IN REAL LIFE N=2345

	IDWeek 2024		HIVR4P 2024		CROI 2024	
	OPERA ¹	TRIO ²	MHS SAN FRANCISCO ³	UC SAN DIEGO ⁴	HOWARD BROWN ⁵	SEARCH ⁶
Participants	N=764	N=526	N=111	N=187	N=270	N=487 [‡]
Population	Black: 29% Hispanic: 29%	Black: 32%	NR	Black: 3% Hispanic: 40%	Black: 25% Hispanic: 24%	NR
Location	 US (Multicenter)	 US (Multicenter)	 CA, US (Multicenter)	 CA, US (Single center)	 IL, US (Single center)	 Kenya, Uganda (Multicenter)
Injections received	Median (IQR): 5 (3–7)*	NA	NA	≥1 injection	Median (range): 4 (1–12)	NA
Time on CAB LA	Median (IQR): 10 months (7–13)*	Median (IQR): 7 months (3–14) [†]	Mean (95% CI): 221 days (181, 260)	NA	NA	48 weeks
Effectiveness	99.7%	100%	100%	100%	99.6%	100%

*Complete initiators only; [†]Individuals who received ≥2 injections of CAB LA; [‡]Primary outcome ascertained in 485
CA, California; IL, Illinois; NA, not available; NR, not reported

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TRIO Health COHORT: LA CAB PrEP in the Real World

- TRIO cohort: from 12 geographically distributed health clinics in US
- Current study: retrospective analysis of EHR to evaluate persistence, adherence, efficacy, and safety with LA CAB for PrEP in TRIO cohort over first 2 yr of use
 - People without HIV who weigh ≥ 35 kg, with LA CAB prescription and data on injections received, who have never participated in clinical trial for LA CAB

Characteristic, n (%)	All Patients (N = 526)
Median age, yr (IQR)	32 (25-41)
Race	
▪ Black	167 (32)
▪ Other (Asian, American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and other)	69 (13)
Gender	
▪ Female	72 (14)
▪ Transgender	45 (9)

70% of participants were previously prescribed PrEP in the past year—high baseline level of engagement in PrEP

TRIO Health Cohort: Persistence and Adherence

- Median follow-up: 7 mo (IQR: 3-14 mo)
- 85 (18%) met discontinuation criteria
- No seroconversions ≤ 12 mo after discontinuation of LA CAB for PrEP
- Of 16% with delayed second injection:
 - Median delay: 22 days
- Of 33% with delayed third or later injection:
 - Median delayed injections: 1
 - Median delay: 12 days

PrEP After Discontinuation	Discontinued (n = 85)
Remained in care, n (%)	48 (56)
■ Switched to oral PrEP, n	27
■ No PrEP, n	21
Reinitiated LA CAB, n (%)	13 (15)
Lost to follow-up, n (%)	24 (28)

TRIO Health Cohort: Efficacy, Testing, and Safety

- CDC guidelines recommend **both** HIV Ag/Ab and HIV RNA screening before **each** injection
 - 97% had HIV screening within 30 days prior to first injection or at initiation

HIV Test Frequency in All Patients (N = 526)	HIV Ag/Ab	HIV-1 RNA	Both HIV Ag/Ab and HIV-1 RNA	Either HIV Ab/Ag or HIV-1 RNA	No HIV Test
n (%)	292 (56)	199 (38)	177 (34)	333 (63)	8 (2)

- Injection-site reactions: 3 of 526 (0.5%); all individuals discontinued treatment
- **No HIV seroconversion episodes**, but testing was inconsistent and not in accordance with CDC guidelines

OPERA: Initiation and Follow-up Injection Outcomes

- **Complete initiators** (second injection ≤ 60 days of first injection): 646 participants (85%)
 - Median injections/person: 5 injections (IQR: 3-7 injections)
 - Median follow-up: 10 mo (IQR: 7-13 mo)
- **Incomplete initiators** (second injection > 60 days of first injection): 118 participants (15%)
 - 66 participants (56%) received an additional injection a median of 11 wk later (IQR: 9-14 wk)

Parameter, n (%)	LA CAB Users With Complete Initiation (n = 646)
All injections on time	443 (69)
Any delayed injection	203 (31)
Delayed second injection in initiation phase (38-60 days since first injection)	68 (11)
Median time after target, days (IQR)	7 (3-19)
Delayed injection in continuation phase (68-90 days since last injection)	155 (24)
Median time after target, days (IQR)	3 (2-10)
Required reinitiation (≥ 91 days without injection)	205 (32)
■ Received additional injection ■ Median time after target, days (IQR)	87 (42) 53 (42-58)
Missed ≥ 2 target windows (≥ 128 days without injection)	124 (19)
■ Received additional injection ■ Median time after target, days (IQR)	18 (14) 100 (73-143)

OPERA: HIV Testing and Seroconversions

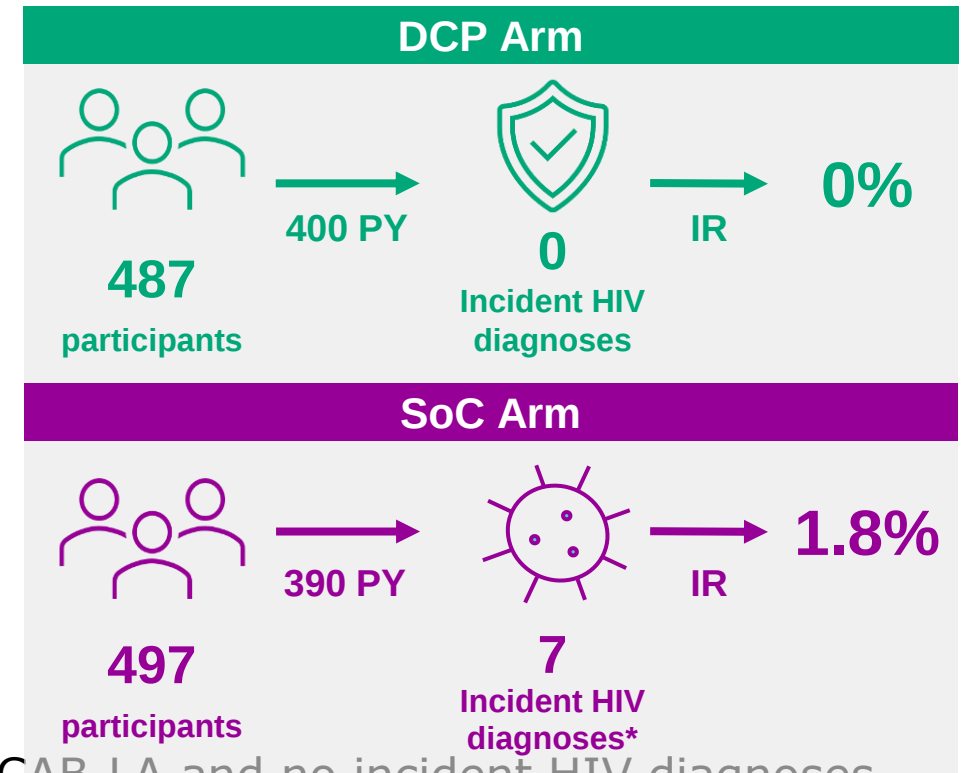
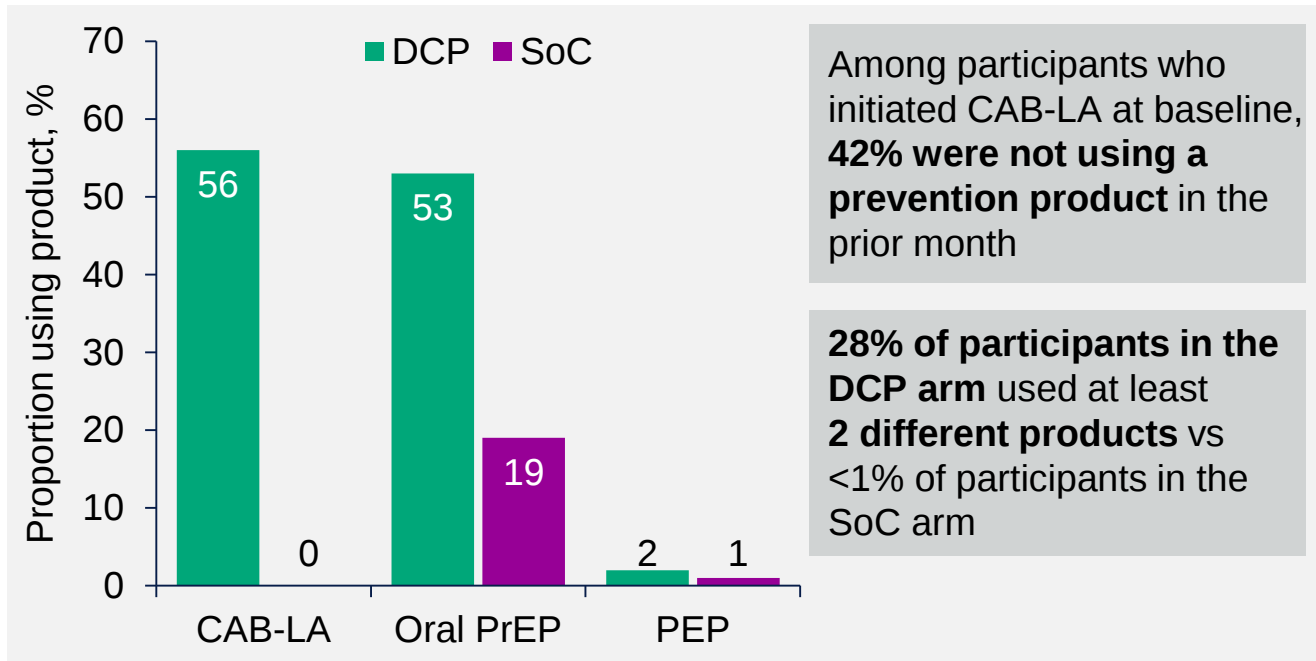
- 65% received HIV testing at initiation (only 17% received any RNA test); 50% received HIV testing at all subsequent injections
 - Like TRIO, HIV testing was inconsistent and not in accordance with CDC guidelines
- 2 HIV seroconversions (0.3%) among 764 participants receiving LA CAB PrEP
- **Case 1:** FTC/TAF for 70 days, then received 3 LA CAB injections (Days 0, 32, 92)
 - No HIV testing at time of LA CAB initiation, until Day 92 of CAB
 - Day 92: HIV Ab/Ag positive; HIV-1 RNA <20 c/mL; no genotyping performed
- **Case 2:** FTC/TAF for 65 days, then received 4 LA CAB injections (Days 0, 93, 212, 272)
 - Tested and remained HIV negative over course of LA CAB PrEP
 - **No PrEP for 130 days after LA CAB**, then restarted on FTC/TAF after negative HIV Ag/Ab test
 - HIV-1 RNA >100,000 c/mL at after 9 days of FTC/TAF; retained susceptibility to all ARVs

LA CAB PrEP in a Community Pharmacy Setting: Acceptability at Baseline and Feasibility at Wk 26

Acceptability at Baseline (N = 49), n (%)	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Overall, I am feeling comfortable with receiving PrEP injections every 2 mo	32 (65)	15 (31)	2 (4)	0	0
I feel informed about injectable LA CAB PrEP	36 (73)	12 (24)	1 (2)	0	0
I am motivated to start injectable LA CAB PrEP	34 (69)	13 (27)	2 (4)	0	0
I would be ashamed if people knew I received LA CAB PrEP	0	0	0	10 (20)	39 (80)
Feasibility Outcome at Wk 26		LA CAB PrEP (N = 50)			
Participated in baseline survey, n/n (%)		49/50 (98)			
Retention: still on LA CAB PrEP, n/n (%)		35/43 (81)			
Adherence: on-time injections, no.		115/122 (94)			

Reduced HIV Incidence Rates Were Observed Among Participants Given a Choice of Treatment

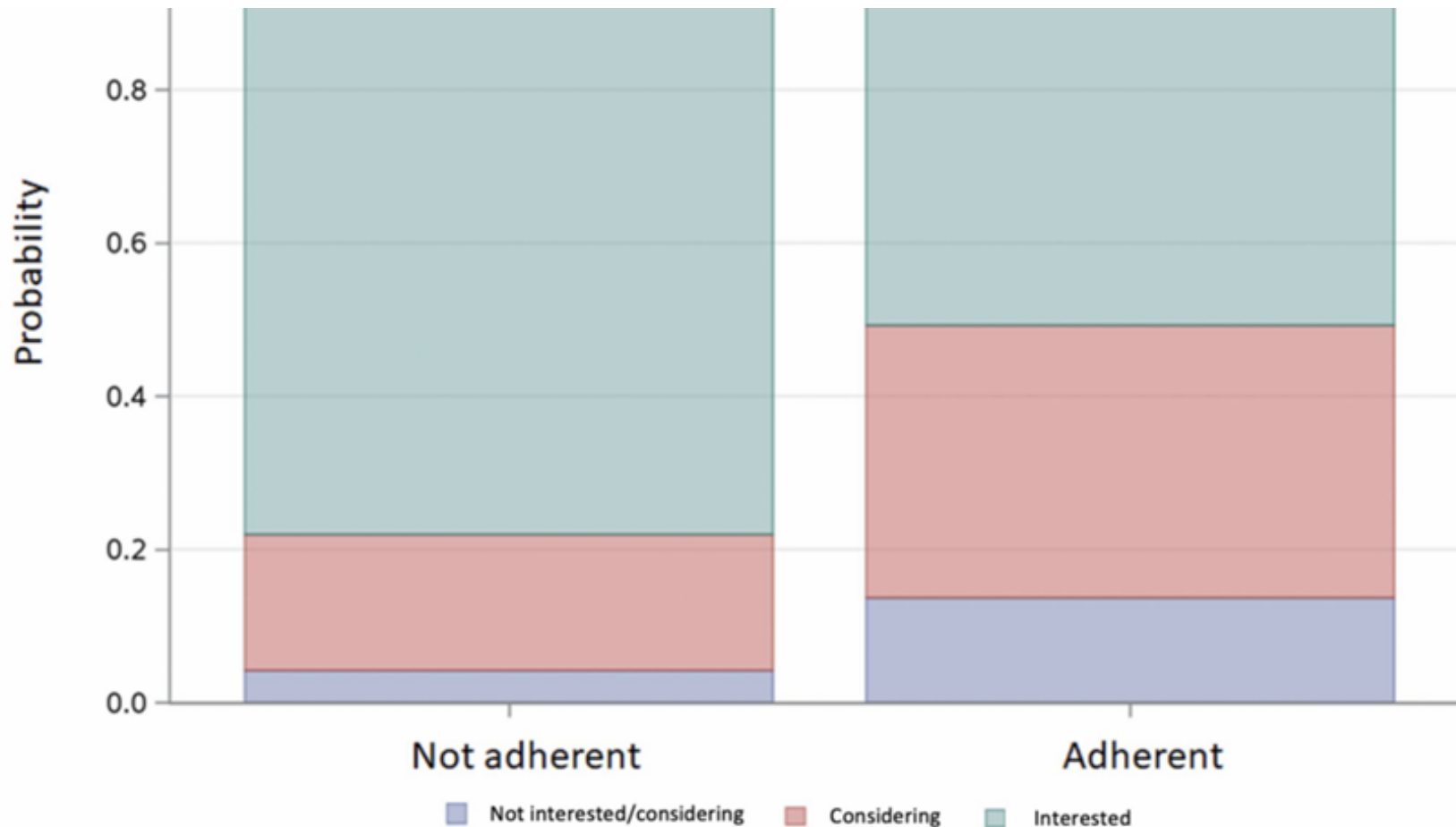
Summary of Product Use, Extension Phase



- In the DCP intervention arm, 56% of participants used CAB-LA and no incident HIV diagnoses were observed compared with no CAB-LA use in the SoC arm and an HIV incidence rate of 1.8% ($p=0.01$)

*One infant born to a participant in the SoC arm acquired HIV perinatally but was not included in the IR calculation.

OSR: PROPENSITY TO SWITCH TO CABOTEGRAVIR



Probabilities estimated at age=36.1 (mean value) and at partner ≥10

PrEP CON CABOTEGRAVIR IN OSR

CAB PrEP users	N=70
MSM	69/70 (98.5%)
Women	1/70
Italian	67/70 (95.7%)
Oral PrEP experienced	68/70 (97.1%)
Chemsex / Adherence issues	46/70 (65.7%)
Kidney issues	15/70 (21.4%)
Bone issues	4/70 (5.7%)
Intolerance to FTC/TDF	20/70 (28.6%)

Nozza S., unpublished data

TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- ✓ Cabotegravir efficacy is confirmed in clinical trials and real world data.
- ✓ Testing is crucial.
- ✓ The TRIO cohort study and OPERA study showed that LA CAB PrEP was well-tolerated, with rare instances of seroconversion, although further follow-up is needed due to suboptimal HIV testing compared with CDC guidelines.
- ✓ Strategies to retain individuals on PrEP are needed.
- ✓ Is it right to offer cabotegravir in limited settings?

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