

# **RSA & HIV vaccine efficacy studies**

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# 3 strategies that are advancing

## Efficacy Studies

P5 “Clade C” approach using ALVAC & gp120/MF59  
(HVTN 702)

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# Thai Trial (RV144) Primary Results

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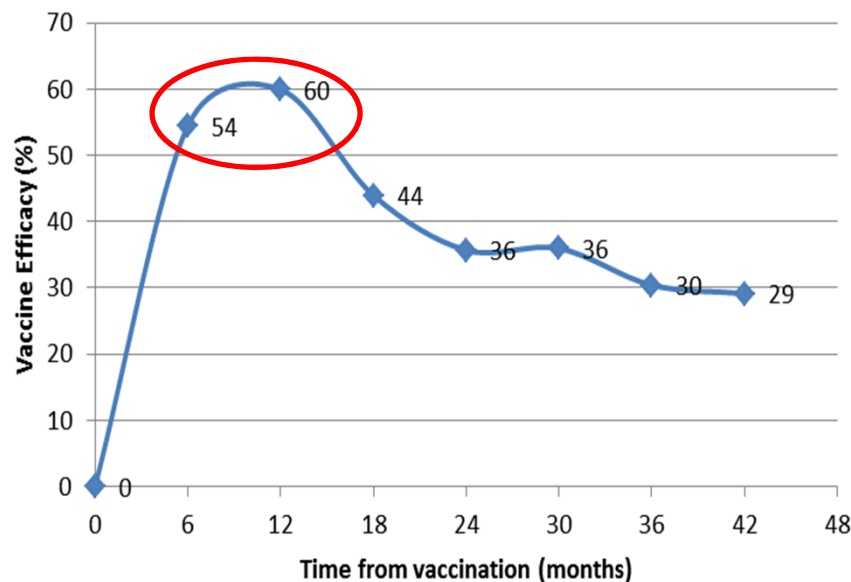
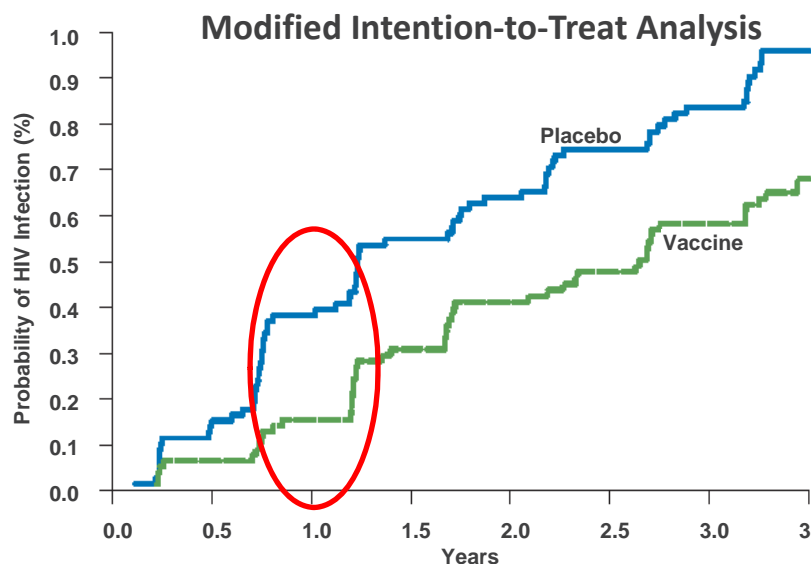
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## Vaccination with ALVAC and AIDSVAX to Prevent HIV-1 Infection in Thailand

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Prime: ALVAC vCP1521  
 Boost: ALVAC vCP1521 plus VAXGEN Env protein (B/E)  
 Schedule: 0,1,3,6 months; 16,000+ volunteers; 1:1 vaccine: placebo; follow-up for 3 years

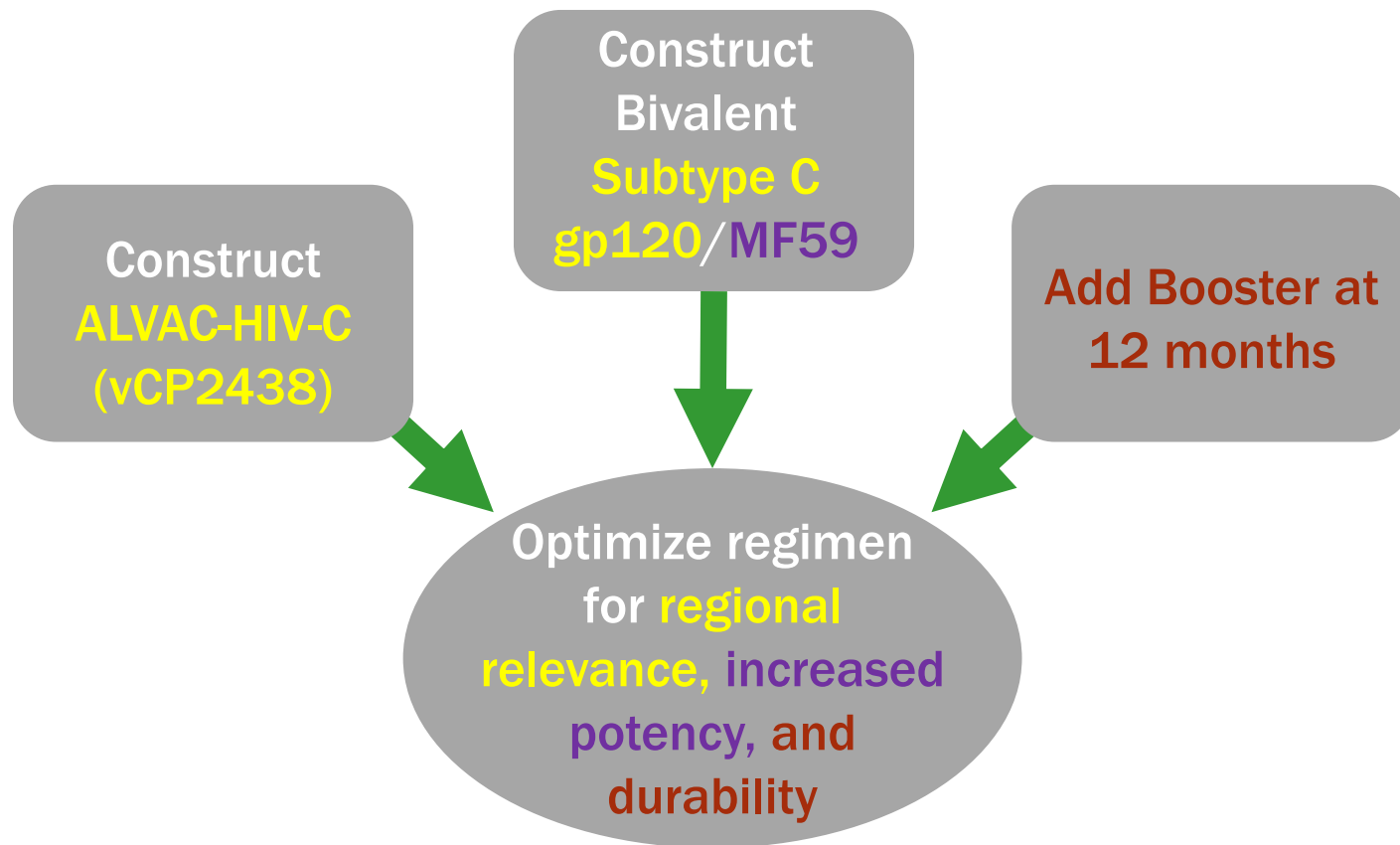


Data from Robb et al, Lancet Infectious Diseases, 2012.



HIV VACCINE  
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# The Strategy for the ALVAC/Protein Phase 3 Program



# HVTN 100

## Primary objectives

- To **evaluate the safety and tolerability** of 2 doses of ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) followed by 2 doses of ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59 in HIV-seronegative low risk South African adults
- To **evaluate the immunogenicity** of 2 doses of ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) followed by 2 doses of ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59 in HIV-seronegative low risk South African adults at the month 6.5 timepoint (2 weeks after completion of the primary immunization series)



# HVTN 100 Schema

Group	N	Primary vaccine regimen				Booster
		Month 0	Month 1	Month 3	Month 6	Month 12
1	210	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438)	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438)	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59
2	42	Placebo	Placebo	Placebo + Placebo	Placebo + Placebo	Placebo + Placebo
Total	252					



# HVTN 100 Clinic Sites



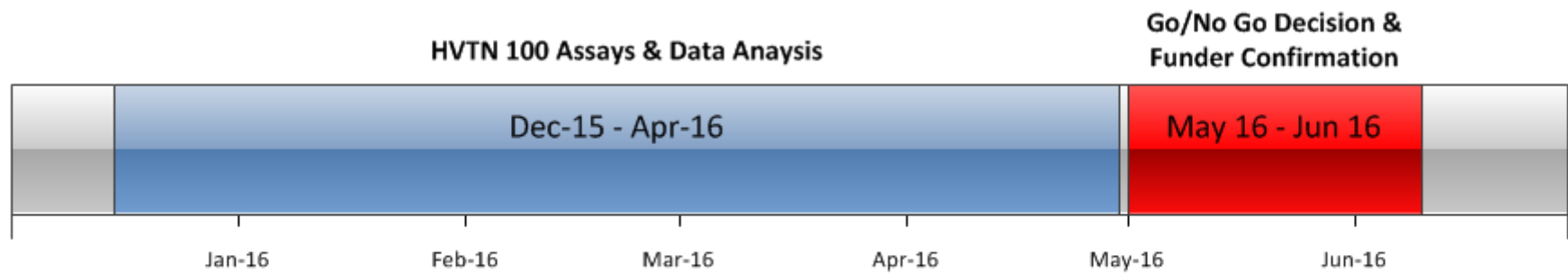
# HVTN 100 Current Status

- Primary vaccination series (Months 0, 1, 3, 6) complete for all participants
- Follow-up ongoing
- Booster vaccinations (Month 12) just beginning
- Primary immunogenicity assays (Month 6.5 samples) ongoing
- Interim safety and immunogenicity analyses (to Month 6.5) in process





# Go Decision Timeline



12/1/2015

6/30/2016



# HVTN 100 Go/No-Go Criteria for HVTN 702: Must Meet **all** of the Following Conditions

Variable Measured at Month 6.5	Rationale
Env Ab Response Rate (≥ 2 of 3)	Adequate Ab take to vaccine Env
Env Ab Magnitude* (≥ 2 of 3)	Non-inferior Ab magnitude vs. RV144
Env CD4 Response Rate* (1 of 1)	Non-inferior CD4 T cell take vs. RV144
Env V1V2 Response Rate (≥ 1 of 3)	Adequate to predict achieving VE=50% for 2 years if V1V2 Ab is an immune correlate

\* Based on assessment of immune responses from HVTN 100 vaccinees vs. RV144 vaccinees using the same assays run in the same labs



# HVTN 702

## Primary objectives

- To evaluate the preventive vaccine efficacy (VE) of ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59 for the prevention of HIV infection in HIV-seronegative South African adults over 24 months from enrollment
- To evaluate the safety and tolerability of ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59 in adults in South Africa



# HVTN 702 Schema

Group	N	Primary vaccine regimen				Booster
		Month 0	Month 1	Month 3	Month 6	Month 12
1	2700	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438)	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438)	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59	ALVAC-HIV (vCP2438) + Bivalent Subtype C gp120/MF59
2	2700	Placebo	Placebo	Placebo + Placebo	Placebo + Placebo	Placebo + Placebo
Total	5400					



# HVTN 702 Design Features (i)

- Evaluates Stage 1 vaccine efficacy (VE) to 24 months after 1<sup>st</sup> vaccination
- If evidence of positive VE, evaluates VE durability to 36 months after 1<sup>st</sup> vaccination
- Continuous monitoring for harm
- Sequential monitoring for non-efficacy/efficacy futility
- Monitoring for high efficacy



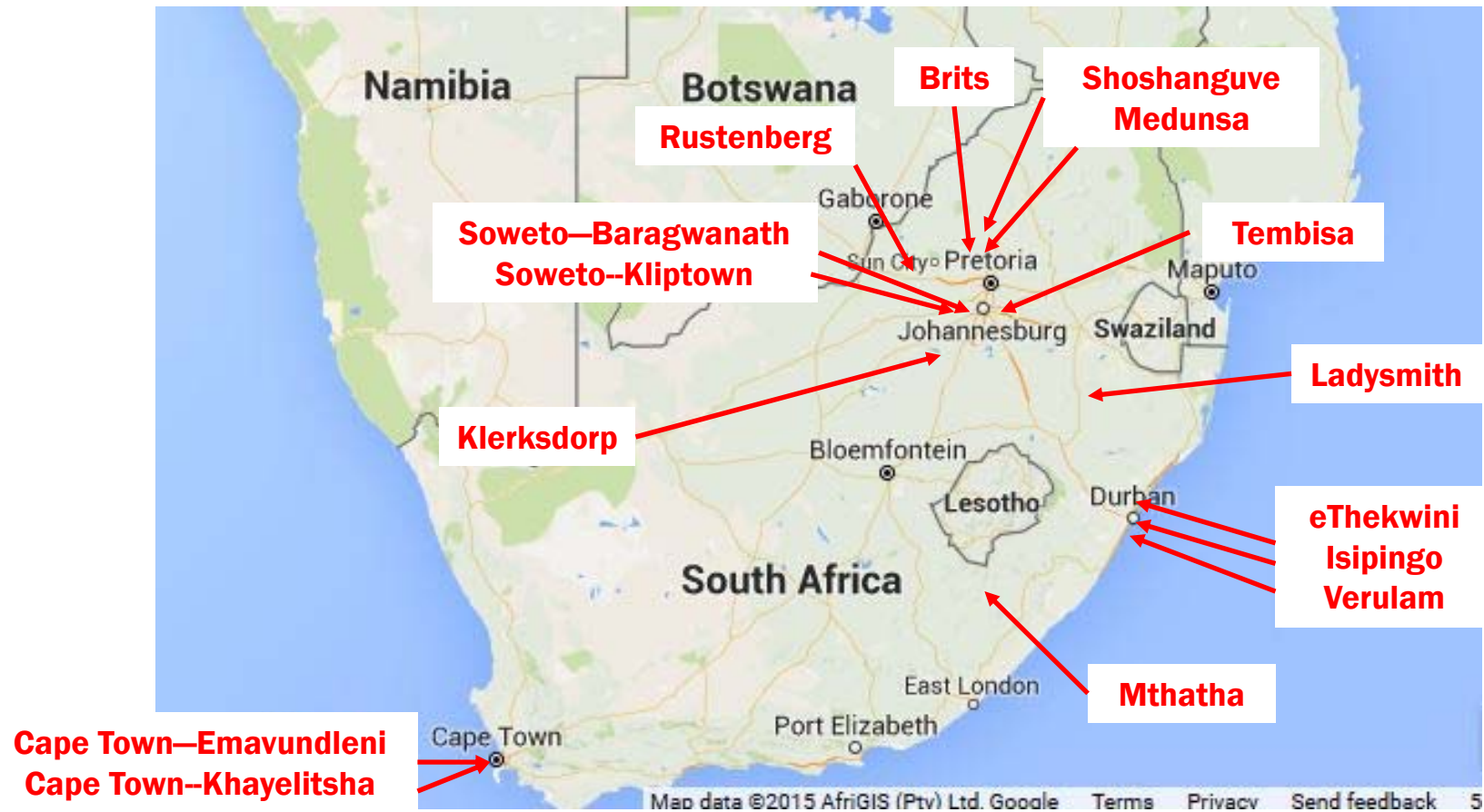
# HVTN 702 Design Features (ii)

- 90% power to detect Vaccine Efficacy (VE) of **50%** (enrollment through 24 months)
- = 90% power to reject null hypothesis ( $VE \leq 25\%$ )

True Average VE(0-24)	Power to reject null: $VE(0-24) \leq 25\%$
30%	7
40%	45
<b>50%</b>	<b>90</b>
60%	100
70%	100
80%	100



# HVTN 702 Clinic Sites



# HVTN 702 Partnership

- **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**
- **Division of AIDS, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, US National Institutes of Health**
- **GlaxoSmithKline Vaccines**
- **HIV Vaccine Trials Network**
- **Medical Research Council of South Africa**
- **Sanofi Pasteur**





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# HIV vaccine research program: Janssen and Collaborators



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Harvard

MHRP

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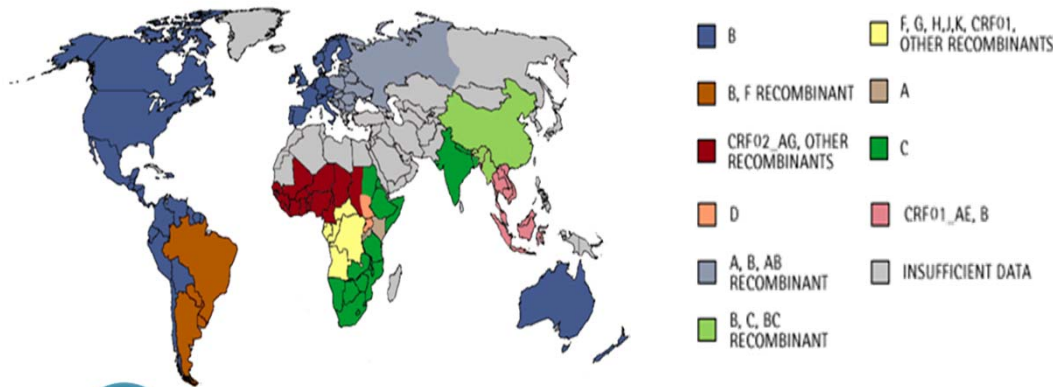
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NIAID/HVTN



# HIV Vaccine Aiming at Protection Against all Clades of HIV-1

Different HIV-1 clades dominate in different geographic regions



Adolescents (11-17 years) / Adults (18-65 years) in endemic countries and populations at risk in Western world

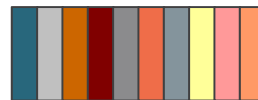
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## Potent priming Vectors

Low seroprevalent Ad26  
Ad26.HIV-Gag-Pol  
Ad26.HIV-Env  
(MVA.HIV-Gag-Pol-Env)

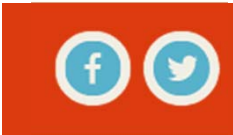
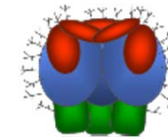
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## Mosaic inserts for global coverage



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## Trimeric env protein for improved humoral immunity



# A prime-boost vaccine regimen aiming at global coverage starting 2017-2021

Prime

Boost

Ad26 Mosaic vectors  
gag-pol-env

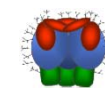


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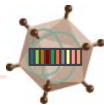


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Soluble trimer gp140 env  
protein



Ad26 Mosaic vectors  
gag-pol-env



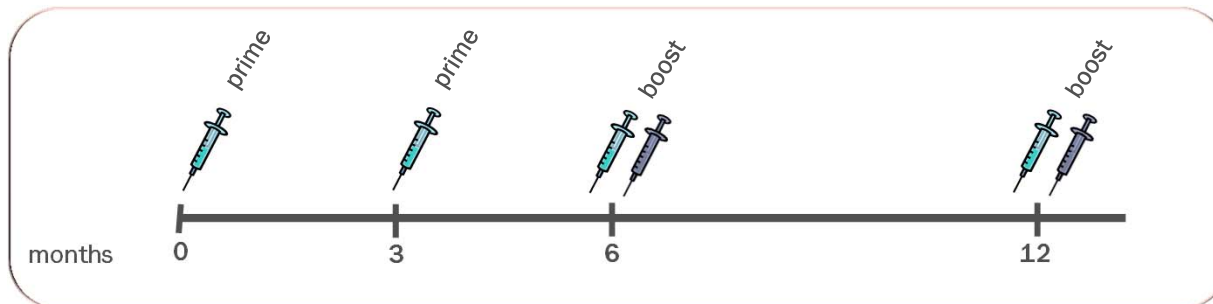
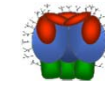
or

MVA Mosaic vectors  
gag-pol-env



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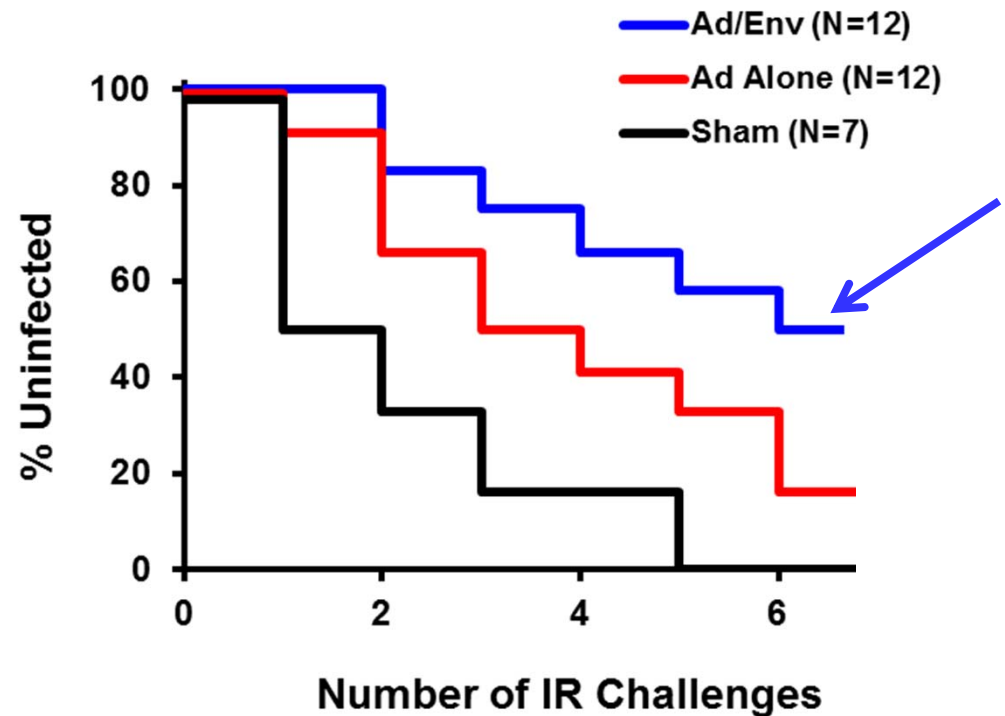
Soluble trimer gp140 env  
protein



# Ad26/Env SIV Vaccines Partially Protect Against IR SIVmac251 Challenges in Rhesus Monkeys

**90% reduction of per exposure acquisition risk for Ad/Env (P=0.001)**  
**50% (6 of 12) show complete protection for Ad/Env (P=0.01)**

- 32 rhesus monkeys
  - Ad26/Env (N=12)
  - Ad26/Ad35 (N=12)
  - Sham (N=7)
- Repetitive, intrarectal, heterologous SIVmac251 challenges
- Correlates of protection
  - ELISA P < 0.0001
  - Ab Funct P = 0.004
  - NAb P = NS



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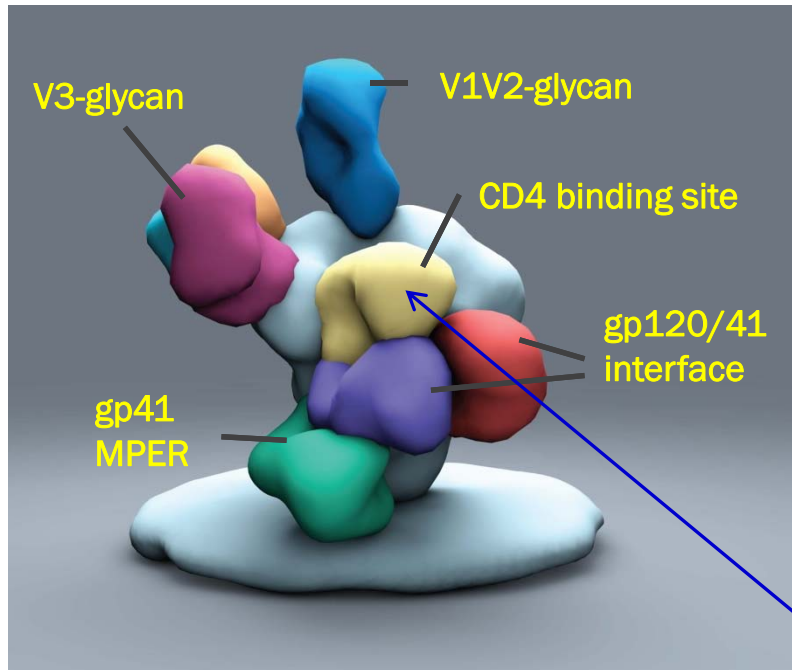
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# Neutralizing Ab to HIV-1



Christina Corbaci, Andrew Ward,

- V1V2-Glycan – bind to trimer cap
- V3-glycan, N332 supersite
- gp41 MPER – near membrane
- gp120/41 interface – bind to parts of both gp120 and gp41
- CD4 binding site of gp120 – where the virus attaches to CD4

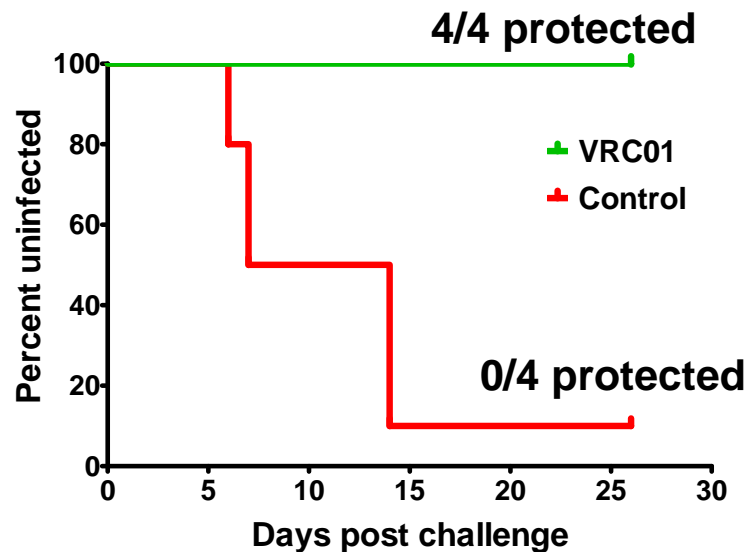
**Only antibodies that have advanced the clinic (VRC01, 3BNC117)**



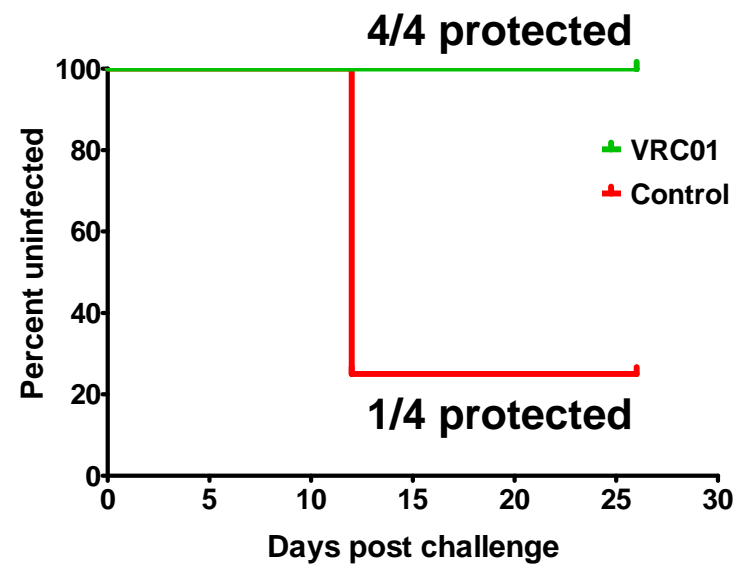
# VRC01 Protects Against Mucosal SHIV-Challenge in Non-Human Primates

20 mg/kg infusion of VRC01: Challenge with SHIV SF162P3

RECTAL CHALLENGE



VAGINAL CHALLENGE



- Pegu et al. Science Transl Med (2014)
- Ko et al. Nature (2014)
- Rudicell et al. J Virol (2014)





# AMP Trial Objectives

- 1. To determine whether and how the VRC01 broadly neutralizing mAb can prevent HIV infection**
- 2. To develop a marker(s) of VRC01 that correlates with the level of protection against HIV infection**
- 3. To provide insight into the mechanistic correlates of protection**

**Application: Help design candidate HIV vaccines and define immunogenicity study endpoints in Phase I/II trials for evaluating these candidate vaccines**



## AMP: Two Phase IIB Studies

- HVTN 703/HPTN 081 will enroll 1,500 women in sub-Saharan Africa
- HVTN 704/HPTN 085 will enroll 2,700 MSM and transgender persons in the Americas
- Each ppt. will be randomized to receive VRC01 10 mg/kg or 30 mg/kg or placebo every 8 weeks for 10 doses



[www.ampstudy.org](http://www.ampstudy.org)

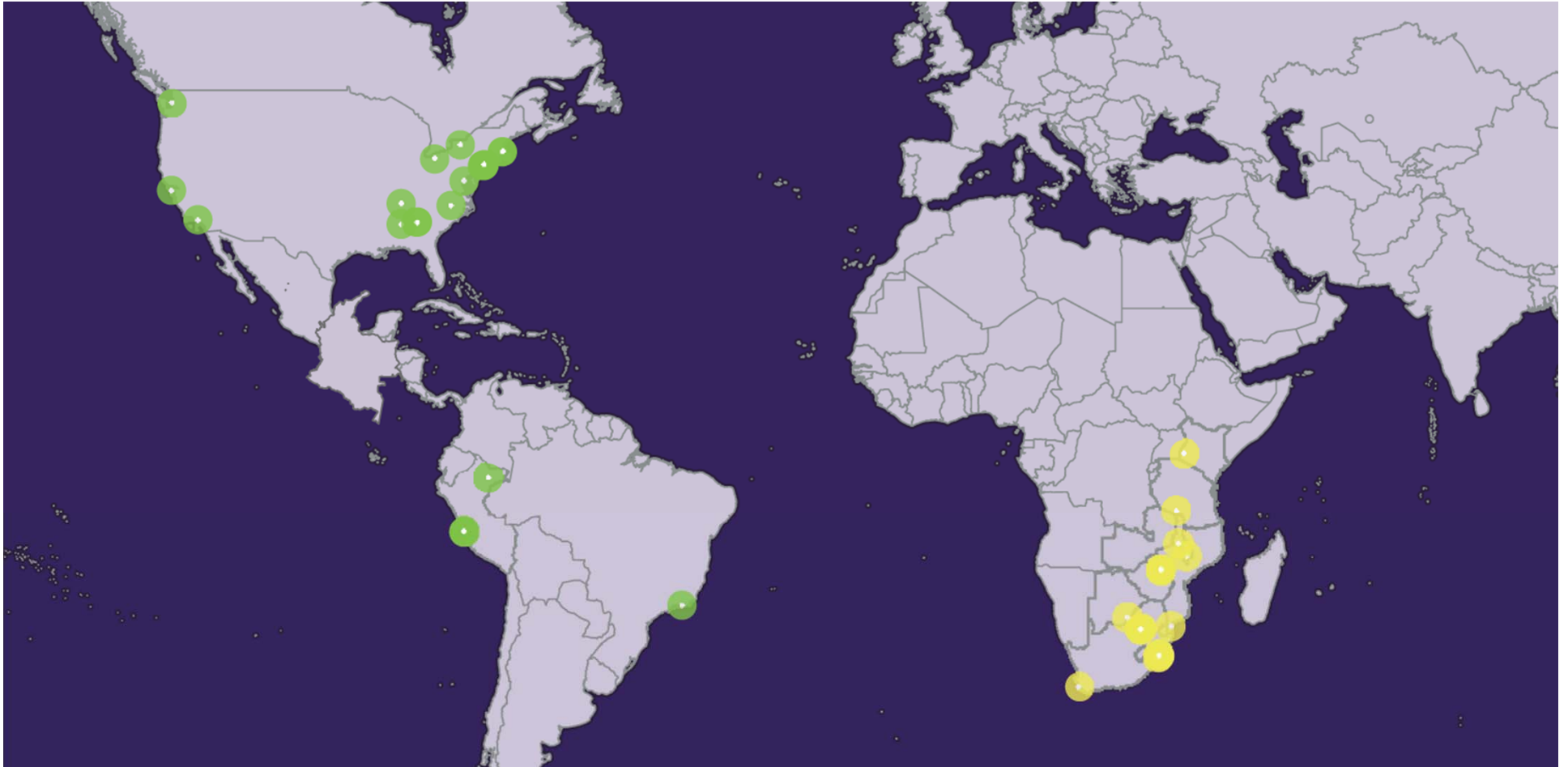


# Major Scientific Questions and Issues the Trial will Define

- Do immunogens that elicit lower levels of neutralization, levels that have proven protective in NHP challenge models, protect against HIV acquisition in humans?
  - What is the dynamic range in concentration of antibodies and neutralizing activity associated with protection?
  - Can lower levels of neutralization activity afford protection or does *in vivo* protection require only high concentrations of CD4 binding site antibodies?
  - Are non-neutralizing effector functions as predictive of efficacy as neutralizing activity?
  - What are the kinetics and functional (non-neutralizing) activities that are seen at low levels of neutralization for VRC01?



# AMP Research Sites



# AMP sub-Saharan Africa Sites

- Gaborone, Botswana
- Cape Town, RSA
- Kisumu, Kenya
- Durban (2 clinics), RSA
- Blantyre, Malawi
- Johannesburg, RSA
- Lilongwe, Malawi
- Soweto, RSA
- Maputo, Mozambique
- Vulindlela, RSA
- Harare (3 clinics),  
Zimbabwe
- Mbeya, Tanzania



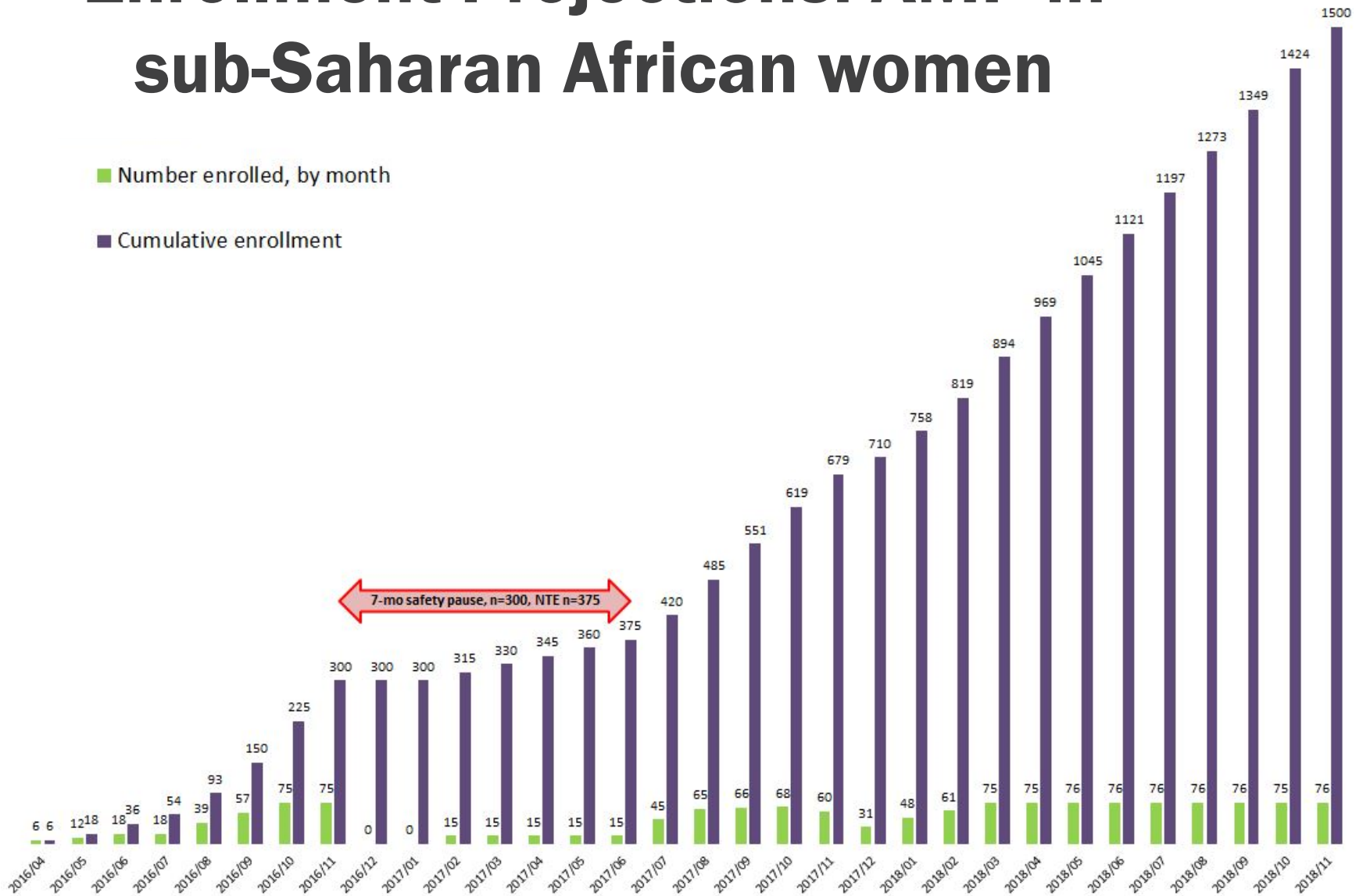
# Timeline for AMP in sub-Saharan Africa: Open April 2016

AMP sub-Saharan Africa	Dates
DAIDS Reviews	2/1/2016 - 3/21/2016
MCC and RSA EC Reviews	10/2015 - 2/2016
RSA Community & Protocol Trainings	2/2016 - 3/2016
Trial Opens*	4/1/2016

*\*Additional SSA National Regulatory Authority & EC reviews continue to Q3 2016, with trainings to be scheduled accordingly.*



# Enrollment Projections: AMP in sub-Saharan African women



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