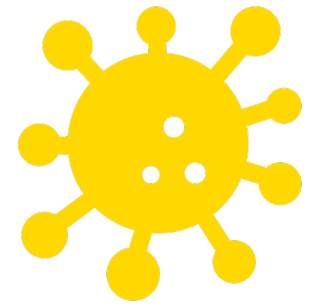


Preventing HIV HIV Prevention Trials Network



Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is a virus that damages the body's immune system. At the moment there is no cure. The HPTN 071 “**PopART**” study was used to understand and stop the spread of the HIV virus.



- The study was the largest of its kind, involving **1 million participants** in South Africa and Zambia.
- Researchers looked at the effects of a community based HIV testing and support programme called “**test & treat**”, where the participants were regularly visited at home and offered testing, counselling, education and links to treatment centres

The PopART study showed that **community based “test & treat” strategies can reduce the number of people contracting HIV**. It also showed that this can be safely done at scale and to high quality

This kind of information can help to guide policymakers and governments in the most effective ways to act.

How do you think these experts contribute to this work?

Immunologists

Clinical trial experts

Clinicians

Community healthcare staff