# HIV drug resistance among children & adolescents with viremia on treatment



or <u>un</u>suppressed viral load ( $\geq$ 50 copies/mL)





Preplanned secondary analysis on genotypic resistance testing (GRT) data

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<u>9-month sample<sup>&</sup></u> **5** Lost to follow up 2 No viral load, no GRT 73 Viral load <400 copies/mL, no GRT **19** Viral load  $\geq$  400 copies/mL, no GRT 51 GRT successful

<b>Country</b> (%)	
Lesotho	115 (76.7)
Tanzania	35 (23.3)

<sup>#</sup> Sample between baseline and 9-month visit <sup>&</sup> Sample at or after 9-month visit

#### 150 participants with at least one successful GRT, stratified by treatment change

Viral load <400 copies/ml, no GRT	
Viral load ≥ 400 copies/ml or no viral load, no GRT	Viral load <400 copies/ml, no GRT
Three active drugs	Viral load ≥ 400 copies/ml or no viral load, no GRT
Two active drugs	Three active drugs
One active drug	Two active drugs

Zero active drugs

Baseline

No Treatment change

Treatment change

9 months

Zero active drugs

### Frequencies of participants with resistance-associated mutations at each position



## **GRT** information, stratified by visit date

Category	Baseline (n=150)	9 months (n=150)
Current regimen (%)*		
INSTI-based	72 (48.0)	102 (70.3)
PI-based	69 (46.0)	1 (0.7)
NNRTI-based	9 (6.0)	42 (29.0)
Viralload		
<400 (copies/ml)	22 (14.7)	74 (49.3)
400-999 (copies/ml)	15 (10.0)	10 (6.7)
1000-99999 (copies/ml)	72 (48.0)	49 (32.7)
>100000 (copies/ml)	15 (10.0)	10 (6.7)
Missing viral load	26 (17.3)	7 (4.7)
GRT result		
No viral load, no GRT	12 (8.0)	2 (1.3)
Loss to follow up	_	5 (3.3)
Viral load <400 copies/ml, no GRT	12 (8.0)	73 (48.7)
Viral load >400 copies/ml, no GRT	6 (4.0)	19 (12.7)
Zero active drugs <sup>+</sup>	11 (7.3)	4 (2.7)
One active drug <sup>+</sup>	32 (21.3)	9 (6.0)
Two active drugs <sup>+</sup>	7 (4.7)	6 (4.0)
Three active drugs <sup>+</sup>	70 (46.7)	32 (21.3)

- In most cases, treatment failure could not be explained by resistance
- $\rightarrow$  Resuppression with regimens that were not fully active was frequent, as was ongoing viraemia with regimens predicted to be fully active

INSTI=Integrase Strand Transfer Inhibitors, PI=Protease Inhibitors, NNRTI=Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transfer Inhibitor

\* 5 lost to follow up at 9 months (thereof 1, 3, and 1 taking INSTI-, PI-, and NNRTI-based ART at baseline) <sup>+</sup> Calculated for each drug per regimen using the Stanford HIV drug resistance database

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