



16TH INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON
WOMEN & HIV 2026
FROM ADOLESCENCE TO MENOPAUSE AND BEYOND
HYBRID | PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC | 10-11 APRIL

Friday, April 10

Day 1

All times are in Central European Summer Time (CEST)

Speaker

8:30 AM		Opening & Welcome		<i>Claudia Cortes</i>
Session 1:		Migration and HIV: Where Do We Stand?		
		<i>Chairs: Barbora Kralickova & Claudia Cortes</i>		
8:40 AM	Introduction	Migration & HIV in Czech Republic		Barbora Králíčková , MD HIV Centre, University Hospital Bulovka, Czech Republic
8:50 AM	Talk 1	Migration and HIV Health Services in Europe		Alena Kamenshchikova , PhD Maastricht University, Netherlands
9:10 AM	Talk 2	Migration & PEPFAR Cuts - Solutions and New Approaches for the Global HIV Response		TBC
9:30 AM	Abstract 1	#30 - Medical-Legal Partnerships to Improve HIV Prevention and Care for Immigrant Women at the Intersection of Migration, Substance Use, and Syndemic Conditions		Omar Martinez , United States
9:40 AM	Abstract 2	#110 - Analysis of Trends in Active Women on ART Following PEPFAR Support Suspension in Mozambique		Yara Paulo , Mozambique
9:50 AM	Abstract 3	#93 - The Price of Displacement: A Cross-Sectional Study of How Conflict Erodes Women's Awareness, Attitudes, and Willingness to Use Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (Prep) in Sub-saharan Africa		Lydia Efobi, Nigeria
10:00 AM	Panel Discussion	How Do We Move Forward?		Dmytro Skirhiko , MD, Ukraine Zofia Bartovská , MD, PhD Charles University and Military University Hospital Prague, Czech Republic
10:30 AM		Coffee break		
Session 2:		DEBATE: Women Living with HIV Should Have Priority Access to GLP-1 Drugs		
		<i>Moderator: Catherine Hankins</i>		
11:00 AM	Opening words			
11:05 AM	Voting			
11:10 AM	Healthcare Provider: For the Proposition			Catriona Waitt , MBChB, PhD University of Liverpool, United Kingdom/Uganda
11:17 AM	Healthcare Provider: Against the Proposition			François Venter , MD, FCP, PhD Ezintsha, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa
11:24 AM	Community Representative: For the Proposition			Michaela Tomanová , Czech Republic
11:28 AM	Community Representative: Against the Proposition			Fungai Murau , MCIM, MA Independent Consultant (HIV), United Kingdom
11:32 AM	Discussion with the audience			
11:52 AM	Rebuttals			
11:56 AM	Voting			
12:00 PM	Results & Closing			
12:02 PM	Resetting the stage			
12:05 PM		Lunch		
Session 3:		Pregnancy & Breastfeeding		
		<i>Chairs: Annette Haberl & Angelina Namiba</i>		
1:05 PM	Talk 3	Same Same but Different - Breastfeeding Guidelines Across Europe		Lila Haberl , MD Goethe University Frankfurt, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany
1:25 PM	Abstract 4	#92 - Telelactation and Breastfeeding Support for Women Living With HIV: Perspectives From Lactation Consultants		Emily Anne Barr , United States
1:35 PM	Abstract 5	#40 - Very Low, but Not Yet Zero: HIV Vertical Transmissions among Women Diagnosed by Delivery in England (2014-2023)		Helen Peters , United Kingdom
1:45 PM	Abstract 6	#89 - Investigating the Effects of HIV Integrase Strand Transfer Inhibitors (INSTIs) on Maternal Cardiovascular Remodeling During Pregnancy: A Comparative Preclinical Study		Hanna Ammar , Canada
1:55 PM	Abstract 7	#66 - Patient Experience with Multi-disciplinary Support for Infant Feeding Choice		Soumya Gogia , United States
2:05 PM	Abstract 8	#36 - Obstetric Violence Against Women Living with HIV in Eastern Europe and Central Asia		Medea Khmelidze , Georgia Natella Rakhmanina , MD, PhD, FAAP, FCP, AAHIVS Children's National Hospital, United States
2:15 PM	Discussion	U=U		Dana , Czech Republic Kateřina , Czech Republic
2:45 PM		Coffee Break		
Session 4:		HIV and STIs - Prevention, Testing, Screening		
		<i>Chairs: Sharon Walmsley & Natella Rakhmanina</i>		
3:15 PM	Talk 4	What's New in HPV Prevention, Testing & Screening? What to Expect Next?		Deborah Money , MD, FRCS University of British Columbia, Canada
3:35 PM	Abstract 9	#29 - Empowering Women in Nairobi: Leveraging PrEP and U=U to Reduce HIV Transmission Risks and Enhance Care for Women Living with HIV		Ali Owino , Kenya
3:45 PM	Abstract 10	#94 - Assessing the Educational Needs of Non-Infectious Diseases Physicians and Health Care Providers in Canada Related to Prescribing PrEP to Women: A Qualitative Study		Sheliza Halani , Canada
3:55 PM	Abstract 11	#25 - Women's Perceptions of Jail-Based PrEP in the U.S.: Insights from Project HOPE		Kathryn Nowotny , United States
4:05 PM	Q&A			
4:25 PM		Reception & Guided Poster Tours		
5:25 PM		End of Day 1		

Saturday, April 11

Day 2

8:30 AM Opening Day 2

Session 5: Substance Use and Health Access

Chairs: *Claudia Cortes & Tristan Barber*

8:35 AM	Talk 5	Substance Use and Access to Health Care Services	Yvonne Gilleece , MBBCh, BAO, FRCP Brighton & Sussex Medical School and University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, United Kingdom
8:55 AM	Abstract 12	#116 - Six-Month Retention and Intention to Use an Integrated HIV and Sexual and Reproductive Health Care Model Among Cisgender and Transgender Female Sex Workers in Argentina	Virginia Zalazar , Argentina
9:05 AM	Abstract 13	#8 - A Peer-Led, Low-Barrier Differentiated Service Delivery Model Improves Retention and Viral Suppression Among Young Mothers Living with HIV in Rural Uganda	Jimmy Ssendendo , Uganda
9:15 AM	Panel Discussion		Jindřich Vobořil , Czech Republic
9:45 AM	Coffee Break		

Session 6: Aging with HIV – Menopause, Comorbidities, and Beyond

Chairs: *Fungai Murau & Margaret Johnson*

10:15 AM	Talk 6	Health Care Priorities for Women Aged 40+ Living With HIV	Ellen Moseholm , PhD Copenhagen University Hospital, Denmark
10:35 AM	Abstract 14	#70 - PREVENTPrevent-Risk-Age Estimates Suggest That Non-hiv Factors Play an Important Role in Cardiovascular Risk Burden among Women Living with and without HIV in the British Columbia Carma-Chiwos Collaboration (BCC3) Study	Tetiana Povshedna , Canada
10:45 AM	Abstract 15	#72 - Health Outcomes and Social Determinants of Health Among Women Living with HIV Since Birth and Those Acquiring HIV Later in Life in the United States	Deborah Kacanek , United States
10:55 AM	Abstract 16	#87 - Inflammatory Markers suPAR and sCD163, but not CRP or HIV, are Independently Associated with Prevent Cardiovascular Risk Age in Women Living with and without HIV in British Columbia Canada	Monika M Kowatsch , Canada
11:05 AM	Abstract 17	#90 - Silver Linings in Women Aging With HIV: Paradoxical Shifts in Self, Trust, and Imagining the Future	Emily Anne Barr , United States
11:15 AM	Q&A		
11:35 AM	Lunch		

Session 7: Innovation and the Future of HIV Treatment

Chairs: *Natella Rakhmanina & William Short*

12:35 PM	Talk 7	Long-Acting Antiretroviral Therapy: What Works and What is Best for Women?	Chloe Orkin , MBBCh, FRCP, MD SHARE Collaborative for health equity, Queen Mary University of London, United Kingdom
12:55 PM	Abstract 18	#27 - Harnessing AI to Transform Healthcare for Women Living with HIV: Bridging Gaps in Treatment, Support, and Empowerment in Nairobi	Ali Owino , Kenya
1:05 PM	Abstract 19	#42 - Perspectives of Cisgender Women with HIV about Their Treatment Discussions with Healthcare Providers Concerning Current and Future Treatments: Results from the 'Ask Us' Europe Survey	Chloe Pasin , United Kingdom
1:15 PM	Abstract 20	#58 - AINUOVIRINE in Women with HIV-1: 48–96 Week Extension Results on Virologic Efficacy and Metabolic Safety from Two Phase III Trials	Linghua Li MD Guangzhou Medical University, Municipal Eighth Hospital, China
1:25 PM	Q&A		
1:45 PM	Closing Remarks		
1:55 PM	End of Workshop		