A study in HIV discordant partnerships to estimate the rate of transmission of HIV and to investigate factors associated with condom use. (Partners of people on ART: a New Evaluation of the Risks)

**Aims and Objectives:**
We aim to follow serodifferent partnerships who initially report recently having had unprotected sexual intercourse in order to study:

The risk of HIV transmission to partners, in particular in partnerships that continue not to use condoms consistently and the HIV-positive partner is on therapy with a viral load < 50 copies/mL.

Why some partnerships do not use condoms, to describe the proportion who begin to adopt consistent condom use, and factors associated with this.

**Inclusion Criteria:**
Confirmed HIV positive.
On ART (regardless of viral load).
Age > 18.
Expected to remain under care at the clinic for at least the next 2 years.
Has a partner not known to be HIV infected with the following criteria being met:
Had unprotected penetrative anal or vaginal sex together in the past month.
Expect to have sex together again in the coming months (it will be strongly advised that they use a condom on each occasion).
Both consent to the study, including HIV testing for the HIV negative partner, completion of a risk behaviour.
HIV negative partner consents to provide a separate blood sample if they should become infected with HIV.

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