



2015 WORLD STI & HIV WORLD CONGRESS AND AUSTRALASIAN HIV & AIDS CONFERENCE MEDIA WRAP

HIGHLIGHTS - BROADCAST

Lateline

<http://www.abc.net.au/lateline/content/2015/s4315744.htm>

Will Prep mark the end of the HIV epidemic?

Gay men involved with trials of the drug Prep call for its approval in Australia.

Interview with Rob Grant

ABC News 24

Sunday	10.15am	Sami Gottlieb WHO	ST Vaccines
Monday	12.30pm	Helen Rees	STI Vaccines

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Sami Gottlieb WHO	ST Vaccines
Helen Rees	STI Vaccines
James Ward	Syphilis

Channel 7

Community PrEP Forum

Counterpoint: Radio National

Interview with Basil Donovan on STIs

The World Today: Radio National

STIs continue to climb according to Australia's sexual health report card

Interview with Basil Donovan, Jason Grebely

The World Today: Radio National

Calls for Government to fast-track availability of HIV prevention drug

Interview with Levinia Crooks, Iryna Zablotska-Manos, Bridget Haire

Radio Brisbane

Interview with Deborah Batesman, Rebecca Guy



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HIGHLIGHTS - PRINT

HIV drug 'could halve transmissions'

Syndicated across 20 media outlets including several times in UK

All news channels (Licensed by Copyright Agency) – 16/09/15 07:55

Brisbane, AAP - Health experts advocating the wider availability of a pre-exposure HIV drug say it could halve Australia's transmission...of regulatory procedures, possibly leading to preventable transmissions, the **Australasian Society for HIV Medicine** said. We have a body of research...

Are we winning a fight on HIV?

Syndicated across 154 media outlets around Australia

All news channels – 18/09/15 00:35

Last year, a seventh National HIV Strategy set itself a lofty goal: a "virtual elimination" of new HIV cases in Australia by 2020....doubled to 26,000. A paper presented during this week's **Australasian HIV/AIDS Conference** in Brisbane found group who had entrance to quick contrast...

HIV, hep C and STI cases increase in Indigenous communities, remain stable in the broader population

Syndicated across 56 media outlets around Australia

Multiple news channels (Licensed by Copyright Agency) – 15/09/15 18:22

Cases of HIV, hepatitis C and other sexually transmitted infections are increasing in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander...use would spread HIV in Aboriginal communities were voiced at the annual **Australasian HIV/AIDS Conference** five years ago. Higher rates of STIs...

Aussies forced to import anti-HIV drug to save \$9000

Syndicated across 34 media outlets around Australia

Multiple news channels – 15/09/15 18:07

AUSTRALIANS at risk of HIV are being forced to import a potentially life-changing drug because it is too expensive here....Bob Grant, who is in Brisbane this week to speak at the **Australasian HIV Conference**, told APN Newsdesk that PrEP was having a huge impact in

'This is totally unacceptable in the Australian community'

Syndicated across 8 media outlets around Australia

Queensland Country Life – 15/09/15 16:38

Cases of HIV, hepatitis C and other sexually transmitted infections are increasing in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, despite declining or stabilising in the broader population, a new report has...use would spread HIV in Aboriginal communities were voiced at the annual **Australasian HIV/AIDS Conference** five years ago. Higher rates of STIs...

Indigenous babies at risk as syphilis infections soar by 500 per cent in five years

Syndicated across 9 media outlets around Australia

News.com.au (Licensed by Copyright Agency) – 27/09/15 00:41

BABIES in north Queensland indigenous communities are at serious risk after a syphilis outbreak pushed infections up by as much as 500 per cent in just...regional and very remote areas. Speaking at the World STI and **HIV Congress** and **Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference** in Brisbane last week, Queensland...



MEDICAL MEDIA

[Call for PrEP drug to be fast-tracked](#)

Medical Observer 17/09/15

By Rada Rouse

Log in required

[Opinion: GPs key to Australian HIV success by Dr Marc Bloch](#)

Medical Observer 17/09/15

Log in required

[Oral gonorrhoea resisting arrest](#)

6 Minutes – 25/09/15 08:09

The threat of drug-resistant gonorrhoea in the general population is minimal compared to the rising problem of gonorrhoea linked to gay male oral sex, which is difficult to treat, a researcher **Oral gonorrhoea** resisting arrest The threat of drug-resistant **gonorrhoea** in the general population is minimal compared to the rising problem...

[6 lessons for chlamydia testing in general practice](#)

Australian Doctor – 16/09/15 14:30

Incentive payments for GPs, computer alerts and regular feedback can be used to boost chlamydia testing rates, say Australian researchers....chlamydia testing rates, say Australian researchers. Showcased at the World **STI & HIV** Congress in Brisbane this week. The ACCEPt trial involving...

[5 reasons why HIV infections in Australia aren't falling](#)

Australian Doctor – 14/09/15 13:42

Despite high-profile health promotion campaigns and a concerted effort to make antiretroviral therapy more accessible for people with HIV, the number of new HIV cases in Australia has remained relatively stable over the last three5 reasons why **HIV** infections in Australia aren't falling Despite high-profile health promotion campaigns and a concerted effort to make antiretroviral...

[PrEP cuts HIV risk by 90%: study](#)

Australian Doctor – 11/09/15 11:56

Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for HIV infection is highly effective and should be routinely offered to HIV-negative men at high risk of the disease, according to a UKPreEP cuts **HIV** risk by 90%: study Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for **HIV** infection is highly effective and should be routinely offered to **HIV**-negative...

[Pharyngeal gonorrhoea a rising issue](#)

Medical Observer – special conference coverage

Print edition only

Interview with David Lewis

[Apps don't add to risk taking](#)

Medical Observer – special conference coverage

Print edition only, Interview with Martin Holt



OTHER MEDIA COVERAGE

[Good news and bad in latest annual report on HIV, hepatitis and STI rates](#)

The Conversation – 13/09/15 21:47

John de Wit is one of the authors of the Annual Report of Trends in Behaviour (ARTB) 2015. Good news and bad in latest annual report on **HIV**, hepatitis and **STI** rates John de Wit is one of the authors of the Annual Report of Trends in...

[Five reasons why HIV infections in Australia aren't falling](#)

The Conversation – 13/09/15 21:47

Bridget Haire is the president of the Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations (AFAO) and is a post-doctoral research fellow at the Kirby Institute. The view expressed here are her own, and do not necessarily reflect the views of AFAO or the Kirby Institute. Five reasons why **HIV** infections in Australia aren't falling Bridget Haire is the president of the Australian Federation of **AIDS** Organisations...

[AIDS cases stable, other STI's on the rise](#)

9News (Licensed by Copyright Agency) – 13/09/15 11:03

The number of Australians contracting HIV has stabilised but about a thousand people a year are still returning positive tests. **AIDS** cases stable, other **STI**'s on the rise The number of Australians contracting **HIV** has stabilised but about a thousand people a year are still...

[Australia's HIV contraction stabilises but 1,000 a year still return positive tests](#)

The Guardian 14/9/15

The number of Australians contracting HIV has stabilised but about a thousand people a year are still returning positive tests, and about a quarter of those people have had the virus for at least four years without realising it

[Good news and bad in latest annual report on HIV, hepatitis and STI rates](#)

The Conversation 14/9/15

The latest instalment of Australia's annual report card on HIV, hepatitis and sexually transmissible infections has been released this morning. Here's what experts who work in these areas make of the results.

[New stats reveal how HIV treatments are changing sex lives](#)

Same Same 15/9/15

New Australian research is showing record highs in the number of gay men disclosing their HIV status to new partners, a decline in condom use, and many more HIV positive people accessing the treatments which will improve their health and prevent them from passing on the virus.

[Health experts call for urgent action to address syphilis in remote Aboriginal Communities](#)

National Indigenous Radio Service 15/09/15

Health experts call for urgent action to address syphilis in remote Aboriginal communities, as new statistics released this week reveal the highest levels of infectious syphilis in Australia in the last decade. Cases of mother-to-child transmission of syphilis and newborn deaths have been reported.



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[Long-time HIV advocate Levinia Crooks to receive top gong at 2015 Honour Awards](#)

Gay News Network – 15/09/15 10:26

The work of Levinia Crooks, one of Australia's leading HIV advocates, will be recognised with a special accolade at the 2015 Honour Awards, NSW's annual celebration of outstanding achievements within or contributions to NSW's LGBTI Long-time HIV advocate **Levinia Crooks** to receive top gong at 2015 Honour Awards The work of **Levinia Crooks**, one of Australia's leading HIV advocates,

[HIV Leader to be Honoured at LGBTI Community Service Awards](#)

Lesbians on the loose - LOTL – 15/09/15 13:07

Levinia Crooks to receive ACON President's Award HIV Leader to be Honoured at LGBTI Community Service Awards **Levinia Crooks** to receive ACON President's Award this year The work of **Levinia Crooks**,

[HIV AIDS Symptoms & Cure: Truvada Pill Will Reduce Risks Says Study](#)

APN 14/9/15

A daily intake of a pill could significantly reduce risks of HIV infection, according to a new study. The pill, called Truvada, has been shown to reduce the risk of HIV infection of up to 92% in people who are at high risk

[Alarm as drug-resistant gonorrhoea goes global](#)

Courier Mail - 15/09/15

Interview with David Lewis – print only

[Treatment Now Recommended for All with HIV](#)

PRLog – 16/09/15 13:35

Australian Antiretroviral Guidelines Fully Revised Based on Results from Two Major International Studies SYDNEY, Australia -...- PRLog -- Based on the results from two large trials, the **Australasian Society for HIV Medicine (ASHM)** Sub-Committee for Guidance on **HIV** Management...

[Gay and bisexual men test for HIV more often when rapid tests are available](#)

Health Canal – 16/09/15 20:30

Gay and bisexual men test for HIV more often when rapid tests are offered as well as conventional tests, according to a study from the Kirby Institute...was presented today at the World HIV and STI 2015 Congress and **Australasian HIV** and **AIDS Conference** in Brisbane. Read the Kirby Institute's media...

[Qld to develop first sexual health strategy](#)

Beaunes Times (Licensed by Copyright Agency) – 17/09/15 01:40

Queensland will become the first state in the nation to develop a sexual health strategy, as it works towards eliminating HIV diagnoses by...develop first sexual health strategy Speaking at the World STI & **HIV** Congress and **Australasian HIV & AIDS Conference** in Brisbane on Wednesday,

[\\$5 million plan to tackle Queensland's sexual health](#)

The Western Star – 17/09/15 09:24

QUEENSLAND will become the first state in the nation to develop a sexual health strategy, as it works towards eliminating HIV diagnoses by particularly in vulnerable communities. Speaking at the World STI & **HIV** Congress and **Australasian HIV & AIDS Conference** in Brisbane on Wednesday



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World STI and HIV Congress calls for Australian access to PrEP

Gay News Network – 17/09/15 10:44

Tweet Studies presented at the World STI and HIV Conference held in Queensland this week have called for greater access to PrEP (Pre Exposure Prophylaxis) to reduce the risk of HIV infection amongst gay men and men who have sex with men...be approved. Associate Professor Mark Boyd, President of the **Australasian Society for HIV Medicine (ASHM)** said internationally there has been...

ASHM and NAPWHA recommend treatment for all people living with HIV

Gay News Network – 17/09/15 12:26

Tweet All people living with HIV regardless of their viral load or CD4 count are now recommended to commence treatment for the virus, following the results of two major trials on the management of **ASHM** and NAPWHA recommend treatment for all people living with **HIV** Tweet All people living with **HIV** regardless of their viral load or CD4 count...

PrEP in focus on day one of HIV/AIDS summit in Brisbane. Here's what we've learnt so far

GayNZ.com – 17/09/15 16:54

Experts are calling for wider availability of PrEP in Australia, with experts saying it could halve the nation's transmission rate....be averted," researcher Dr Iryna Zablotska-Manos says. The **Australasian Society for HIV Medicine** says a body of research shows the sooner it...

Meth, transmen, ATRAS: The hot topics on day two of the HIV/AIDS summit in Brisbane

Gay News Network – 18/09/15 11:06

Day two at the Australasian HIV & AIDS Conference in was a stormy one, and not just because of the Brisbane...on day two of the HIV/AIDS summit in Brisbane Day two at the **Australasian HIV & AIDS Conference** in was a stormy one, and not just because of...

People living with HIV are living longer, but still face discrimination and stigma

ABC News – 18/09/15 20:08

The latest HIV Futures survey was released this afternoon at the Australasian Society for HIV Medicine Conference in Brisbane....The latest HIV Futures survey was released this afternoon at the **Australasian Society for HIV Medicine Conference** in Brisbane. HIV Futures is...

Gay, bi men make use of rapid testing

Washington Blade – 19/09/15 01:28

NEW YORK — Gay and bisexual men test for HIV more often when rapid tests are available at clinics according to a new study from Australia's Kirby Institute at the University of New South Wales, presented this week at the World HIV and STI 2015 Congress and Australasian HIV and AIDS Conferencepresented this week at the World HIV and STI 2015 Congress and **Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference** in Brisbane, HealthCanal reports. NEW YORK...

PrEP again dominates day three of HIV/AIDS summit in Brisbane. Here's what happened

Gay News Network – 19/09/15 10:07

The final day of the Australasian HIV & AIDS Conference in Brisbane was a chance to reflect on some of the key moments and topics....summit in Brisbane. Here s what happened The final day of the **Australasian HIV & AIDS Conference** in Brisbane was a chance to reflect on some...

Sexually transmitted Ebola and other hot topics in the world of STIs

ABC Health & Wellbeing 22/9/15

Bianca Nogrady



Sexually transmitted infections are a dinner party conversation most of us will steer clear of. But get a bunch of sexual health experts, policy makers and anyone with an interest in STIs together for a conference and it's a completely different story.

GayNZ.com HIV prevention: We risk being left behind

GayNZ.com – 22/09/15 07:10

A leading New Zealand HIV researcher believes we can dramatically alter the trajectory of the epidemic among gay and bi men by adding enhanced testing, immediate treatment and targeted use of PrEP to condom... Zealand delegates have returned from the World STI Congress and **Australasian HIV Conference** in Brisbane excited by the possibility of reversing...

GayNZ.com PrEP a 'reasonable option' for some NZ men

GayNZ.com – 25/09/15 13:01

A local infectious diseases specialist says HIV prevention drug Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) is a reasonable option for protecting New Zealand gay and bisexual men, who aren't using condoms, from reporting back on the discussions about the drug at the recent **Australasian HIV/AIDS Conference**. He outlined the studies into its effectiveness...

HIV - where to next?

Gay News Network – 08/10/15 16:39

Tweet PrEP in focus at the Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference. By Victorian AIDS Council Acting CEO, Kent Burgess. HIV - where to next? Tweet PrEP in focus at the **Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference**. By Victorian AIDS Council Acting CEO, Kent Burgess. For...

Burmese Student Wins Research Award at HIV Conference

The Irrawaddy Magazine – 13/10/15 22:19

0 RANGOON — A Burmese student completing his second graduate degree at Melbourne University has been presented with an award at the 2015 Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference, held last month in the Australian city of... Melbourne University has been presented with an award at the 2015 **Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference**, held last month in the Australian city...

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