

GRUPE INTER-ASSOCIATIF TRAITEMENTS & RECHERCHE THERAPEUTIQUE



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TRT-5 is a coalition of French HIV NGOs working on access to best standard of care and on HIV & Aids clinical research

What is TRT-5 ?

Founded in 1992 in the context of a medical emergency situation for people with HIV/AIDS, TRT-5 is a coalition of 8 French NGOs:

- Act Up-Paris (www.actupparis.org)
- Actions Traitements (www.actionstraitements.org)
- AIDES (www.aides.org)
- Arcat (www.arcat-sante.org)
- Dessine Moi Un Mouton (www.dessinemoiunmouton.org)
- Nova Dona
- Sida Info Service (www.sida-info-service.org)
- Sol En Si (www.solensi.asso.fr)

Objectives

To promote the needs of PLHAs and advocate on their behalf in the areas of clinical research, standard of care, governmental institutions and the pharmaceutical industry.

To facilitate the dissemination amongst PLHAs of accurate and up to date information on treatments and clinical research results through its network and the organisation of a yearly symposium that focuses on a single high priority issue.

TRT-5 mission

TRT-5 fights for PLHAs' rights and advocates on their behalf in the fields of research and medical care

- Access to new treatment strategies for people whose treatment is failing
- Recognition and acknowledgement of specific care needs related to short/long term adverse events/toxicities
- Development of anti-HIV therapies that are easier to tolerate
- Analysis and ethical monitoring of public or industry promoted clinical research protocols
- To bring the needs of PLHAs into scientists' consideration when they set up new research projects or when they design clinical trial protocols i.e. TRT-5 participation in key working groups of the French National Agency for Research on AIDS and viral hepatitis
- Participation in the drafting of new French guidelines on HIV standard of care

Additionally, TRT-5 also gets involved in technical and regulatory issues which have a significant impact on the quality of care of PLHAs

- Important lobby work during the recent adoption of a European Union directive on biomedical research into French law
- Input on setting up of new regional coordination frameworks
- Cooperation with Afssaps (French medicines regulatory agency) on a project about side effects reported by patients, with a view to promote a better understanding of licensed drugs' risk-benefit balance
- Cooperation with the French Ministry of Health and the National Health Insurance (CNAM-TS) on standard of care delivery for the long term sick and disabled in the context of health care provision reform
- Lobbying for the reimbursement of medical tests, devices and drugs improving the quality of care for PLHAs (e.g. fillers for sunken cheeks, HIV drug resistance tests, etc.)

TRT-5 Interventions at the Conference

Tuesday 15

**10 :30 (Media Center, room 2): Press conference
French Ministry of Health (Presentation of French Guidelines on HIV
Standard of Care, with participation of TRT-5 representatives)**

Ethical Issues in Clinical Trials: Tenofovir and Beyond (TUAE03)

17:15 TUAE0305 : Influencing legislative processes and policy development in order to improve research ethics

Wednesday 16

Accelerating Research: Approaches that Work (WEKC1)

12:45 WEKC101 : Responsibilities of state, community and private sector on research ethics policy : looking back on recent CCR5 antagonist trials