



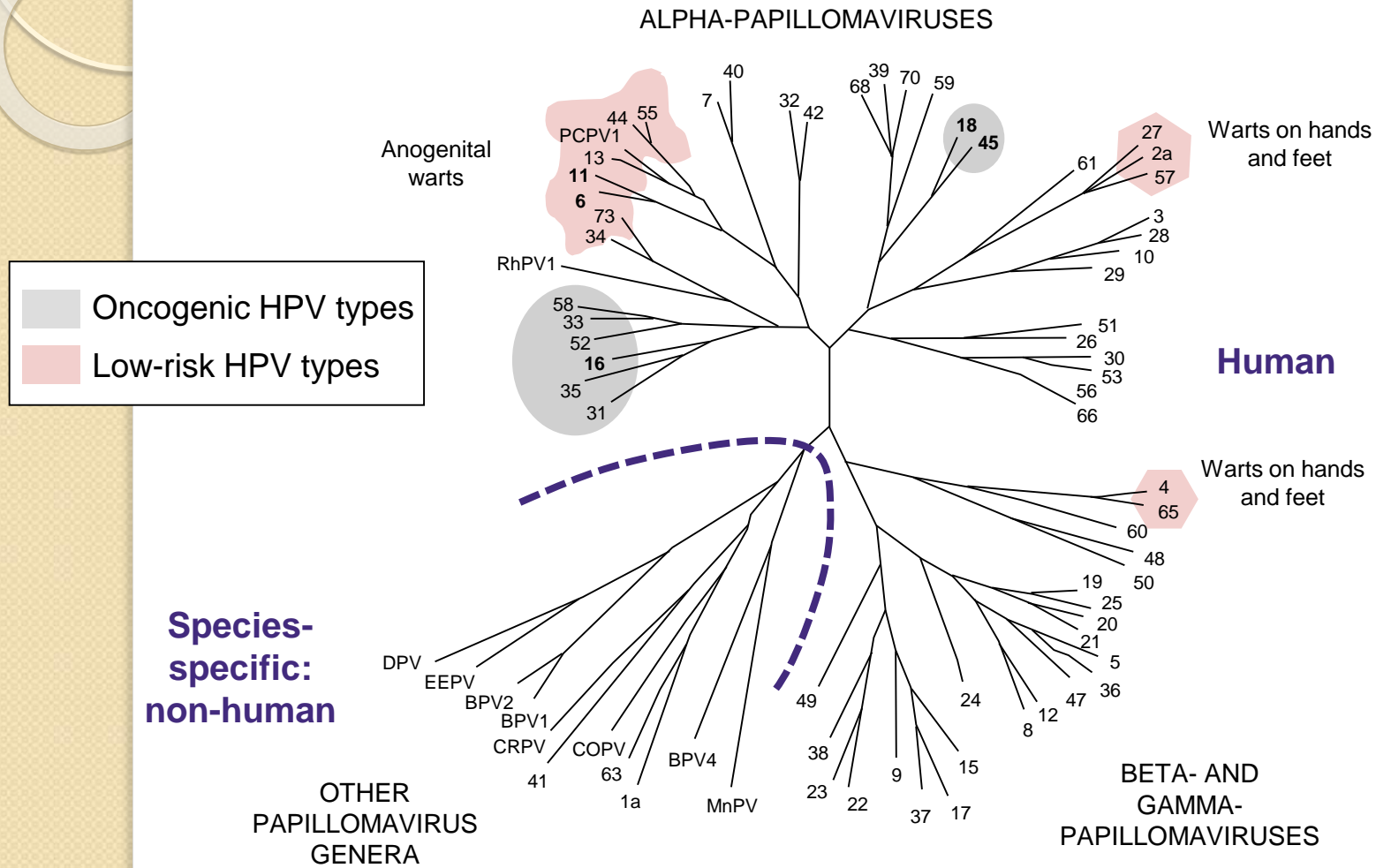
# **HPV Vaccination; Where are we and what is possible.**

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# Papillomavirus phylogenetics

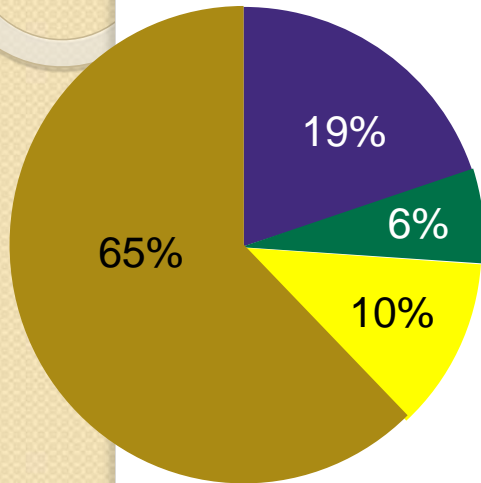


**Papillomavirus phylogenetic tree**

Figure adapted from de Villiers EM, *et al. Virology* 2004; **324**:17–27.

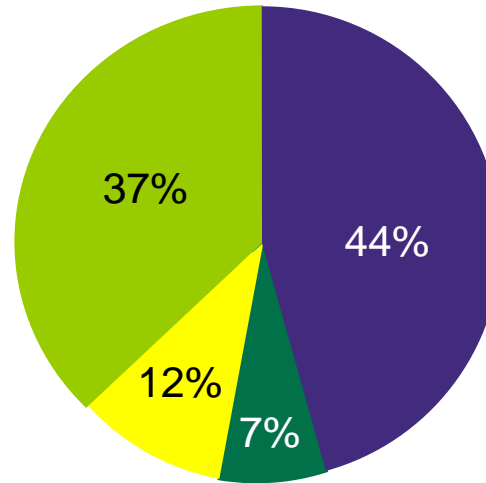
# The most common HPV types according to grade of cervical lesion

## LSIL/CIN1



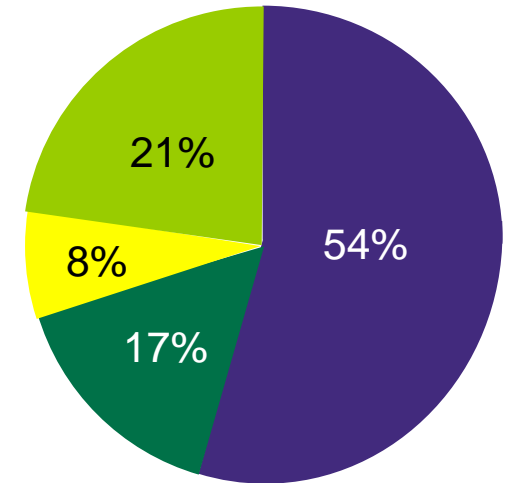
25% attributable to HPV 16/18  
35% attributable to HPV 16/18/31/45

## HSIL/CIN2/3



51% attributable to HPV 16/18  
63% attributable to HPV 16/18/31/45

## Invasive cervical cancer



71% attributable to HPV 16/18  
79% attributable to HPV 16/18/31/45

■ HPV 16 ■ HPV 18 ■ HPV 31/45 ■ Other

LSIL = low-grade squamous intraepithelial lesion; HSIL = high-grade squamous intraepithelial lesion.

Adapted from: <http://www.who.int/hpvcentre/statistics> (accessed November 2010); de Sanjosé S, et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; **11**:1048–1056.

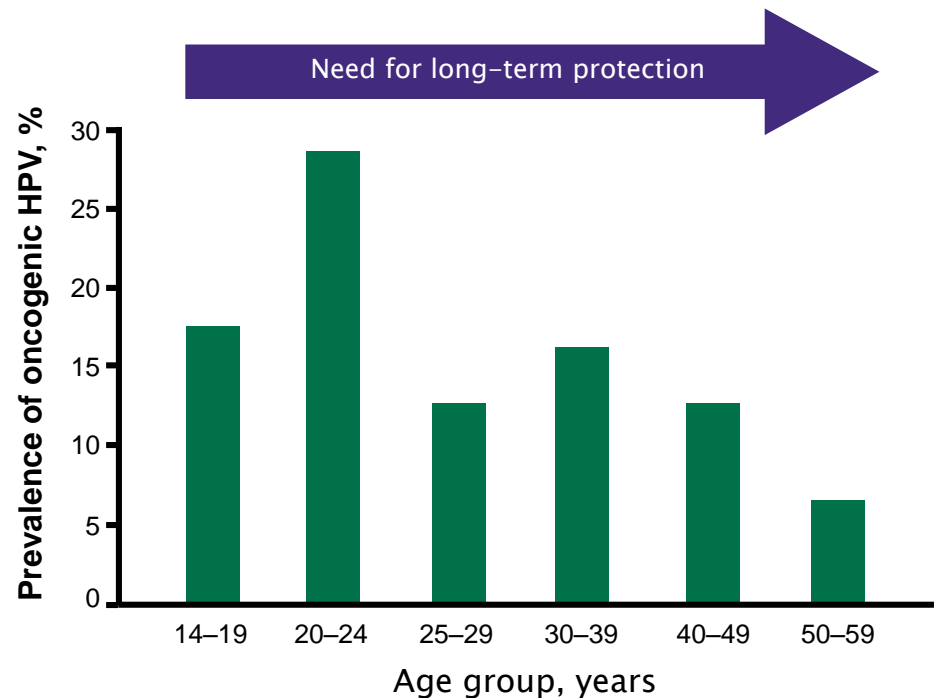
# HPV prevalence

- Adjusted global prevalence of HPV<sup>1</sup>
  - **10.41%**
- Worldwide, an estimated 291 million women are harbouring HPV DNA at any one time
  - 23% of these infections are related to HPV 16
  - 8.5% are related to HPV 18<sup>2</sup>

Prevalence is the number/proportion of individuals with an infection at a given point in time *OR* within a defined interval (i.e. point or period prevalence)

## Women remain at risk of HPV infection throughout their lives; vaccination should provide long-term protection

- Up to 80% of sexually active women will be infected with HPV at some point in their lifetime<sup>1-3</sup>
- Prior HPV infection may not always induce sufficient immunity to prevent subsequent infection<sup>4</sup>



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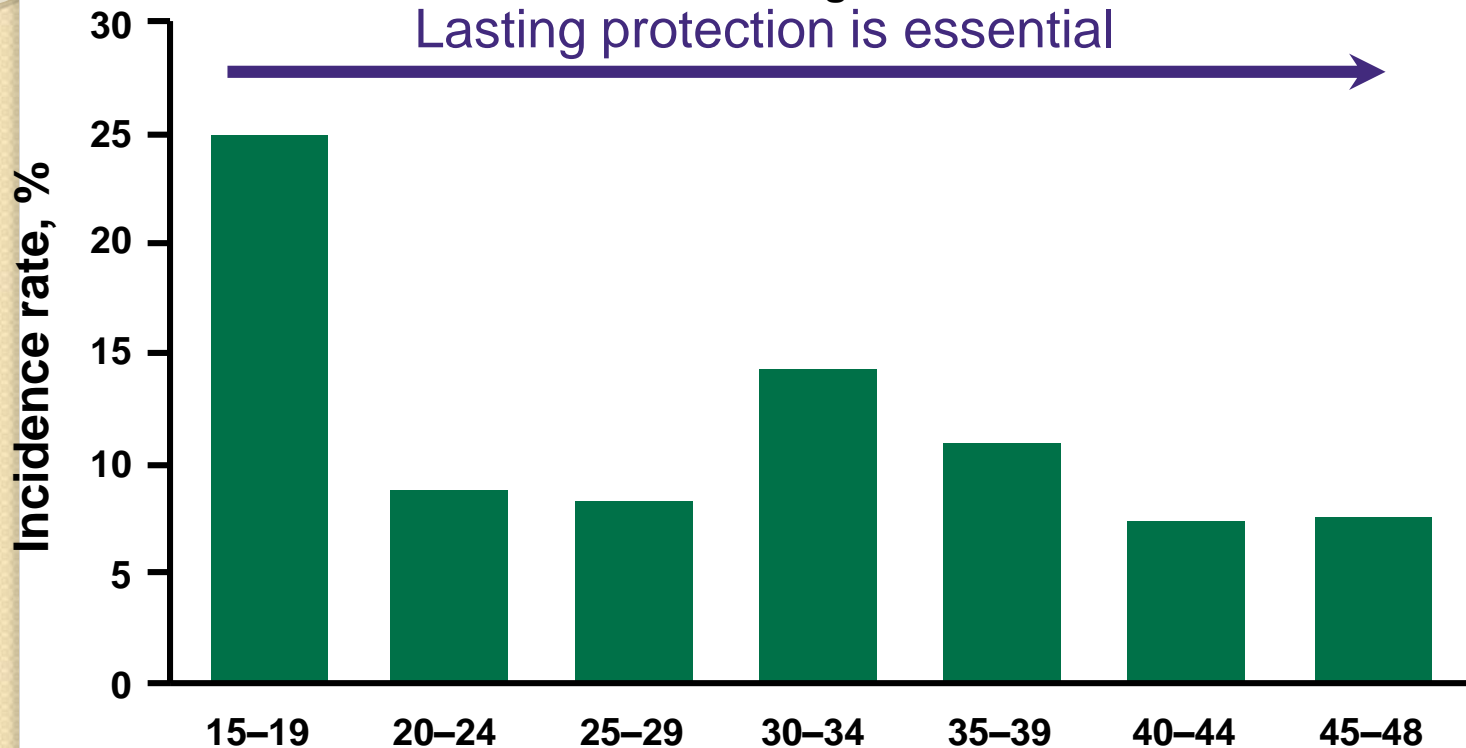
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# Age and incidence of oncogenic HPV infection in women

- **Age and incidence of oncogenic HPV infection in women-Oncogenic HPV incidence is highest in young women<sup>1,2</sup>**

The risk for infection remains throughout life<sup>1,2</sup>



Age-specific incidence of infections with oncogenic HPV types after an average interval of 14 months\* – Ontario (Canada)

\* Average interval between annual periodic health examinations.

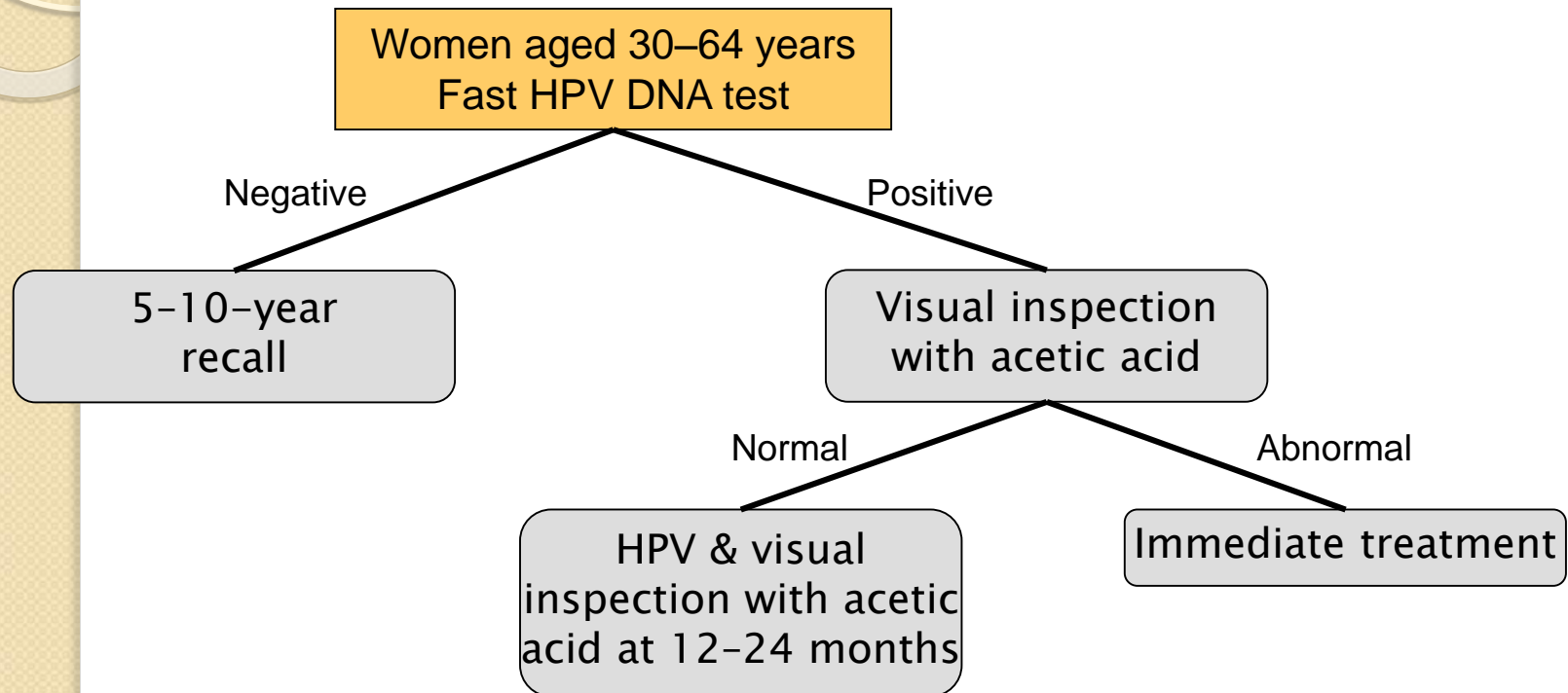
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# Acquisition/clearance of HPV

- HPV 16 and HPV 18 acquisition rates were similar between all age groups
- For HPV 16 and HPV 18 across the age range:
  - acquisition rates were constant (2.5–5.3%)
  - clearance was ~ 90%: 10% of infections persist
- High acquisition rate does not support discontinuation of screening at age 50 years
  - **Adult women are likely to benefit from vaccination**



# A proposed algorithm for HPV primary screening: developing countries





## Model showing estimated reduction in lifetime risk of cervical cancer with an HPV 16/18 vaccine

Cohort	Reduction in lifetime risk of cervical cancer, %
Full potential of cohort in 12-year-old girls	64
First cohort of 12-year-old girls vaccinated	46
24-year-old women who receive catch-up vaccination	35
30-year-old women who receive catch-up vaccination	17

# Summary of national HPV vaccine recommendations and programmatic aspects in Kenya

## **Indicator Date Value**

- ▶ Bivalent vaccine/Cervarix -2009
- ▶ Quadrivalent vaccine/Gardasil -2009
  
- ▶ Finance mechanism - -
- ▶ Delivery strategy - -
- ▶ Integration of vaccination and cervical cancer screening program
- ▶ Announcement date and type; and recommendation committee
- ▶ Recommendation for primary target population - -
- ▶ Recommendation for catch-up population - -
- ▶ Recommendation for vaccinating males - -
- ▶ Comments - -

# Determinants of full three- dose HPV vaccination uptake in Eldoret, Western Kenya, the Gardasil Access Program

- HPV Vaccination: A Pilot Project In Western Kenya
- HPV vaccination; Where are we and what is possible?
- Way forward?

# Objectives

- To Identify Barriers and facilitators associated with the administration of the full three-dose HPV Vaccination regimen in Eldoret, Kenya.
- To estimate Compliance of all the three doses of GARDASIL uptake.

# Methods

- In Sept. 2011 Moi University received 9600 doses of GARDASIL Vaccines in a piloted HPV vaccination in Western Kenya through GAP.
- Promotion was School, Hospital and Media based targeting girls in standard 4 to 8 (9-16 years old)
- Cross-sectional survey was conducted with convenient sampling of Eldoret Municipality from 6 other divisions
- 40 schools and 4000 girls were randomly selected
- Data on no. of girls completing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> doses collected, childhood vaccine, distance from school to health center, time elapsed between the doses

# Methods

- ▶ Trainings and workshops were conducted for 12 vaccination team consisting of Obgyns, Residents, nurses, clinical officers and records clerk on cervical cancer prevention and HPV Vaccination
- ▶ Parental support for GARDASIL Program was sort through the County Director of Education, head teachers, teachers and parents in that order .
- ▶ Data collected using a structured questionnaire, logistic regression model was fitted for bivariate analyses

# Results

- 2808/2994 (93.8%) had childhood vaccines
- 1933/3026 (63.8%) received 2<sup>nd</sup> HPV dose
- 1182/3026 (39.1%) received 3<sup>rd</sup> dose.
- 71.8% of girls had a female guardian and 28.1% a male guardian.
- Median time lapse between 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> dose was 175 days (IQR: 168-182)-Within 6-month WHO stipulated time.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> dose administration and HPV knowledge were strong predictors of full dose completion (OR:61.1;  $p < 0.001$ ; 95% CI=40.9-99.1 and OR 1.2;  $p = 0.008$ ; 95% CI: 1.1-1.5 respectively



# Results

- A Mann Whitney test found that distance to health center was statistically significant risk factor (  $p: 0.01$  )
- A 14% higher odds of admin. of all 3 doses was found for girls who had a male guardian (  $p=0.04$ ; 95% CI: 1.0-1.3 )
- Borderline significant association was observed between Pap smear knowledge of guardian and full HPV vaccine regimen (OR: 1.2;  $P:0.08$ ; CI: 1.0-1.4)

# Conclusion

- Lack of proximity to vaccination centers require innovative vaccine-delivery strategy
- More education of caregivers including female caregivers undergoing cytological screening to raise awareness of importance of full dose HPV vaccination regimen to be adhered to
- Local barriers and facilitators be explored and fine-tuned approach be designed for successful planning for introduction in Kenya,

# Challenges

- ▶ Bad weather since this coincided with the rainy season which rendered some of the areas inaccessible.
- ▶ Financial support especially at the initial stages of the program for training, promotion and vaccination
- ▶ Long travelling distance – this was a concern raised by some of the teachers and parents regarding travelling to Moi .
- ▶ Follow up/revisits since some of the children are in distant schools. However, measures were put in place to guard against high drop-out rates.
- ▶ Teacher ,nurse and doctors strikes.

# Lessons learnt

- School based HPV Vaccination program seems effective in reaching preadolescent and adolescent girls.
- There is no HPV vaccine program in the MOH routine immunization.
- Structural and social barriers like vaccine cold chain, consent, staff training, financial and policy need to be addressed.

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