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(15) The CD4 count literally counts the number of CD4 T-cells in a blood sample and tracks whether a person's immune strength is going up or going down, with higher values indicating a stronger, more robust response. Along with the HIV viral load, a CD4 count is considered an invaluable diagnostic tool in the care and treatment of people living with HIV. (Source: https://www.verywell.com/what-is-a-cd4-count-and-why-is-it-important-49548).


(25) As a prerequisite to building the strategy, the target product (treatment) profile (TPP) has been established. It is based on discussions with various VL experts, consultation with VL national control programmes in endemic countries, and specifically with leading physicians and health workers who deal with this disease on a daily basis. The priority is to develop a safe, effective, oral, short-course (11 days maximum) VL drug to replace current treatments. This will improve and simplify current case management. The aim is to develop combinations of drugs that are effective against VL in all foci of the disease.

27 For further information, refer to https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT01360762?term=HIV+AND+VL.


29 SDG 3: “Ensure healthy lives and contribute to well-being for all at all stages”


31 See also www.africoleish.org

