

**Improving Pregnancy Outcomes with Progesterone: a Trial of 17-Hydroxyprogesterone Caproate to Reduce Preterm Birth Among Women Receiving Antiretroviral Therapy in Pregnancy**

This NIH-sponsored trial aims to assess the efficacy of 17P for preventing PTB among HIV-infected pregnant women receiving ART. This is a Phase III, placebo-controlled, double-masked, randomized controlled trial. Participants are randomly allocated in a 1:1 ratio to receive either a weekly intramuscular injection of 250mg 17P or an indistinguishable placebo started between 16-24 weeks gestation and administered weekly thereafter until 36 <sup>6</sup>/<sub>7</sub> gestational weeks, stillbirth, or delivery, whichever is sooner.

**Project status:** Currently enrolling

**Date enrollment completed/expected:** December 2019

**Date participant follow-up completed/expected:** September 2020

**Potential research activities for fellows:** Lab (biochemical mechanisms in the pathway to preterm birth), clinical/epidemiological (determinants of adverse birth outcomes)

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