

## NWO/Aidsfonds Sandpit on HIV Cure: Stakeholder session

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I am an HIV+ community rep on several cure-related projects.

- Report on cure-related research over 20 years.
- 3rd IAS Roadmap For A Cure Report (Nature, 2021).  
<https://i-base.info/ias-towards-an-hiv-cure-2021>
- RIO study: using two long-acting bNAbs to keep viral load undetectable for >6 months off ART.



# Three headline points

1. **EFFICACY:** Cure-related interventions need data that shows a likely benefit. They also need to clearly explain that the study will not cure any participant.
2. **SAFETY:** Good information and monitoring when off-ART. Risks of reinfection and transmission off-ART. Adherence support when restarting. Plan and respond to events like COVID that would increase risk off-ART.
3. **BROADER PARTICIPATION:** **Broader diversity of participants** to reflect the global demographics. Include social research to learn about participant beliefs and experiences.