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From prevention to cure: ready for new challenges

# A project for the most vulnerable people in the city of Bergamo

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# Disclosures

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- Cooperativa Don Giuseppe Monticelli has received funds in support of projects Bergamo leaves no-one behind from Gilead Sciences.

  
*Bergamo  
Leaves No One Behind*



# The Project

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- Bergamo Leaves No One Behind is a project that promotes the rapid, anonymous and free TEST in specific Key Populations (SW, IVDU, Homeless, Refugees and Migrants). Thanks to the collaboration with various ONGs that already deal with the different needs of marginal populations, the project also manages to spread information and knowledge about sexually transmitted infections, ways to prevent and cure them.
- The second objective of the project is to provide support for linkage and retention in care of new infections or of those who, for whatever reason, although aware of the infection, have never started or have stopped their treatments.

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# Involved ONGs

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- Cooperativa Bessimo - DropIn. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Fondazione Patronato San Vincenzo - Servizio Esodo. First Wednesday.
- Fondazione Opera Bonomelli - Nuovo Albergo Popolare. The Second Tuesday.
- Caritas Bergamasca - Dormitorio "Galgario". Third Tuesday.
- Fondazione Patronato San Vincenzo - Bergamo. Fourth Thursday.
- La Melarancia ODV - Outdoor/Indoor service.
- Arcigay Bergamo Cives - Events



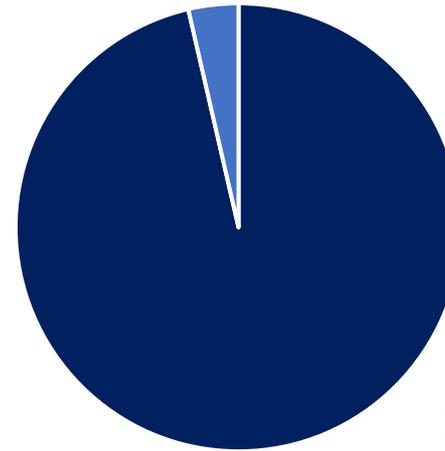
# General Results: October 2022 – May 2023

276 people met

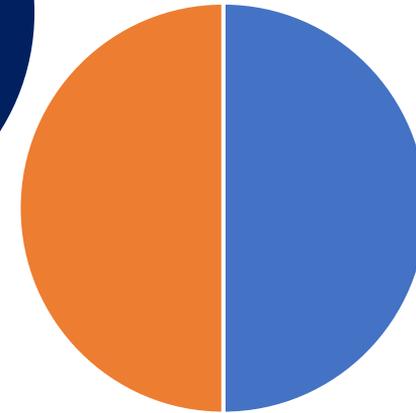
266 Test

10 PLWH:

- 5 asking re-linkage to care
- 5 asking support for difficulties in accessing or continuing in therapy



■ Test ■ PLWH



■ re-linked ■ Support



# Screening Results

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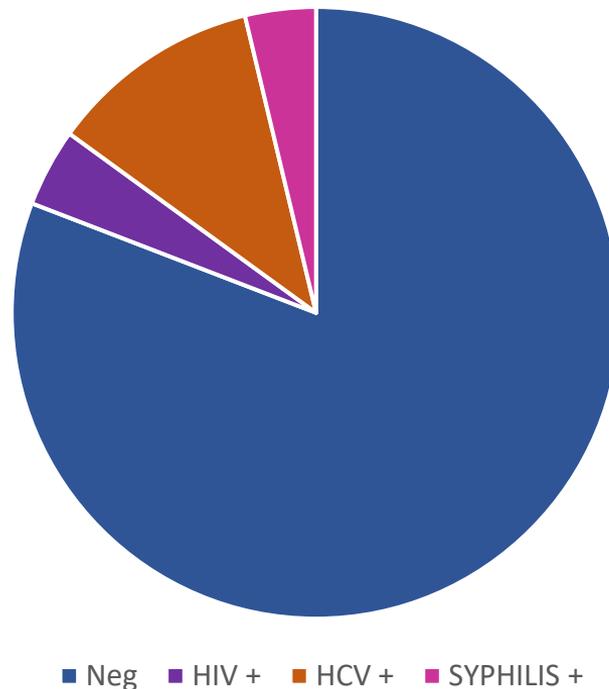
266 people tested

HIV HCV SYPHILIS

12 HIV +

30 HCV +

10 SYPHILIS +



# HIV

12 HIV +

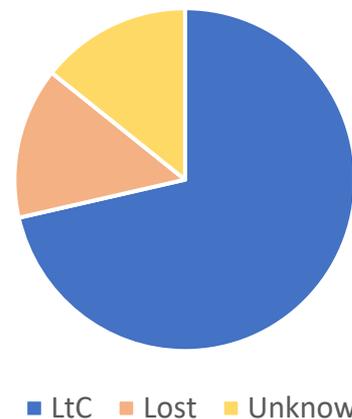
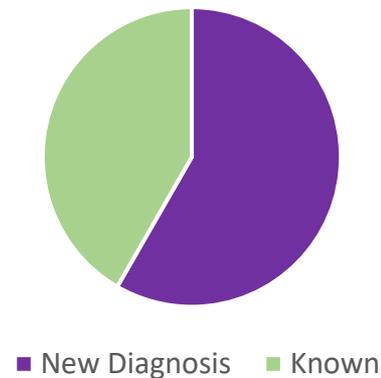
7 New Diagnosis (2,6% of tests)

5 Linked to Care

1 Lost

1 Linked in Origin Country (unknow)

5 known diagnoses and under treatment



# HCV

30 HCV +

8 New Diagnosis (3% of total tests)

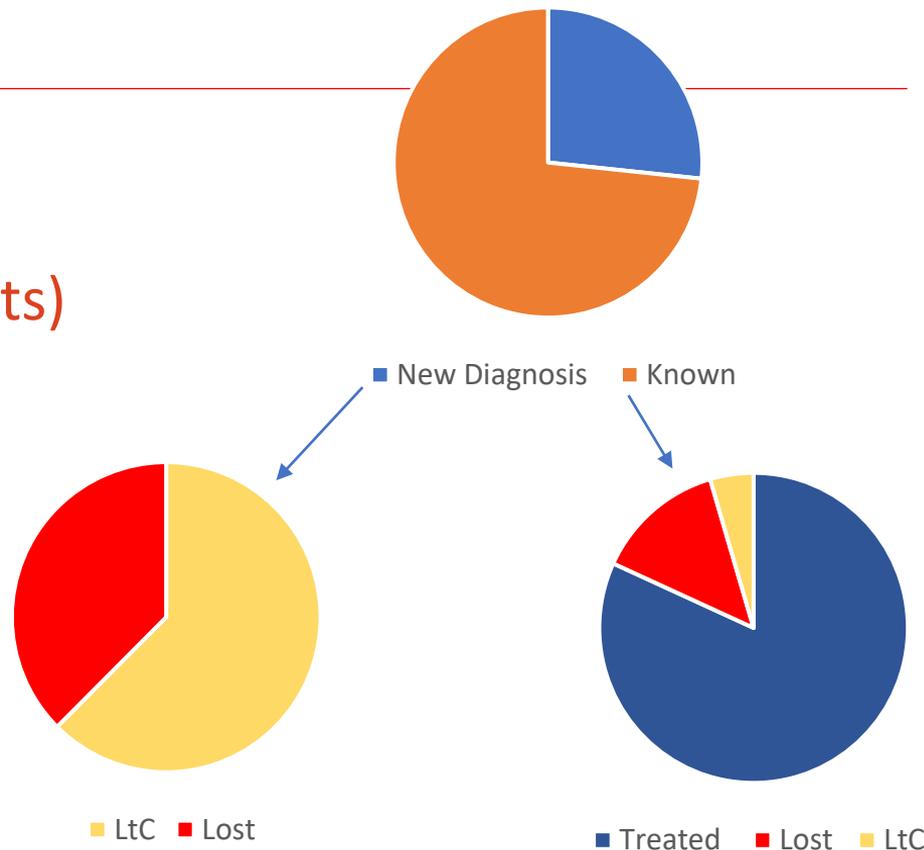
5 Linked to Care

3 Lost

22 known:

18 treated

4 never treated (1 Linked)



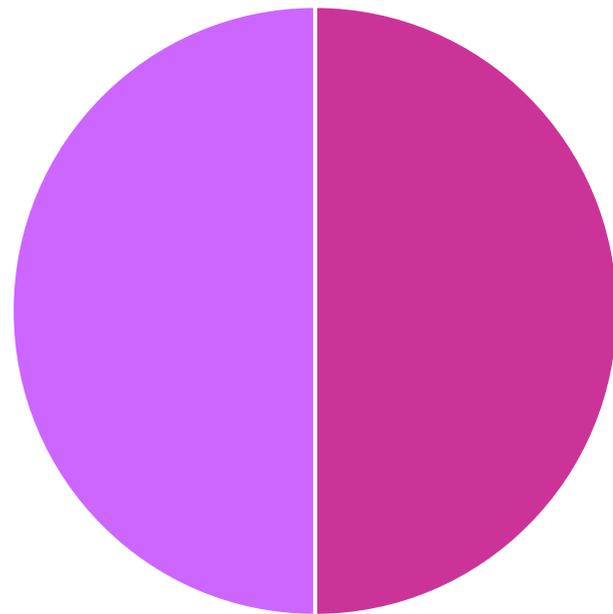
# Syphilis

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10 Syphilis +

5 New Diagnosis and Linked  
(1,9% of total tests)

5 Known and already treated



■ Known ■ New Diagnosis

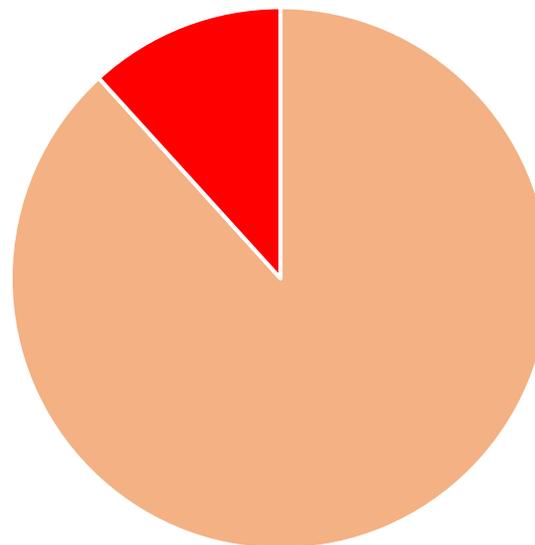


# Conclusions

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+ 26 Linked to care  
and/or supported

- 8 Lost



■ Linked ■ Lost



# Conclusions

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- There is a good cost-benefit ratio : challenging work/good results
- As expected, most difficulties are in the Linkage to Care
- There was an "unexpected" ask for help from PLWH for re-linkage or therapy
- There were difficulties with documents, tourist visas and STP (administrative)
- Most new HIV diagnoses come from Transgender Sex-Workers
- Most new HCV diagnoses and old diagnoses never treated concern IVDU/Homeless



# Appendix

## • Multilanguage Booklet with Audio/Video

### HIV & SEXUAL INFECTIONS

Cosa sono, come le evito, come le curo

What are they, how I avoid them, how I treat them

Qué son, cómo los evito, cómo los trato

Quels sont-ils, comment je les évite et je les traite

O que são, como os evito, como os trato

ما هي هذه الأمراض، كيف أتجنبها، كيف أعالجها

它们是什么 我如何避免它们 我如何对待它们

Ce sunt, cum le evit, cum le tratez

Cilat janë ato, si i shmang, si i trajtoj

Що це, як уникнути, як лікувати

### HIV & SEXUAL INFECTIONS AUDIOS

Pidgin English    Tunisino

Bambara                      Punjabi

Wolof                            Hindi

Egiziano                         Urdu

Mandinka                      Russo

Marocchino                  Bangla

[www.friendlytest.it/pages/HIV-STIS/](http://www.friendlytest.it/pages/HIV-STIS/)

### DOVE TROVARE INFORMAZIONI

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Bergamo Fast-Track City & Friendly Test

Linktree

### DOVE FARE IL TEST

WHERE? ¿DONDE? OU? CADÉ?

<b>Fondazione Opera Bonomelli</b> Via Giovanni Carnovali, 95 Bergamo Secondo giovedì di ogni mese 17:30 - 20:00	<b>Checkpoint Bergamo Fast-Track</b> Via Giambattista Moroni, 93 Bergamo 18:00 - 22:00	<b>Drop-In Bergamo</b> Angelo Via Fontana e Via Bona Bergamo Lunedì Mercoledì e Venerdì 9:30 - 12:30
<b>Ambulatorio</b> Via Madonna del Campi, 38 Spresale Primo Mercoledì di ogni mese 9:00 - 12:00	<b>Ambulatorio servizio Esodo</b> Patronato S. Vincenzo Via Madonna del Campi, 38 Spresale Primo Mercoledì di ogni mese 9:00 - 12:00	<b>Dormitorio Galgario</b> Via del Galgario, 3 Bergamo Terzo giovedì di ogni mese 18:30 - 22:30
<b>Anticipo Bergamo Cives</b> Iniziativa sul territorio, rivolta principalmente alla popolazione LGBTIQ+	<b>Patronato S. Vincenzo</b> Via Mauro Gavazzoni, 3 Bergamo Ultimo martedì di ogni mese 18:30 - 19:30	<b>La Meridiana ODV</b> Un'uscita in strada il mese un giorno in laboratorio a settimana

