### The Dapivirine Contraceptive Film

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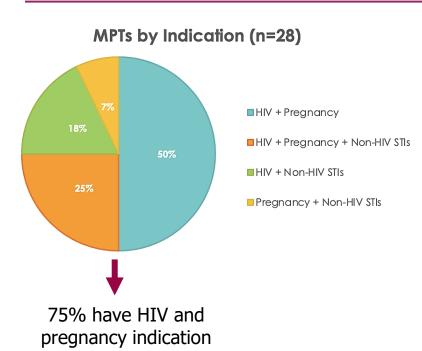


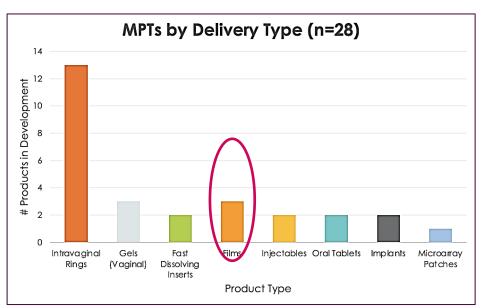






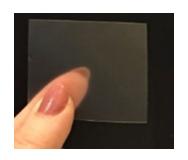
# Multipurpose technologies (MPT): What is in the pipeline?



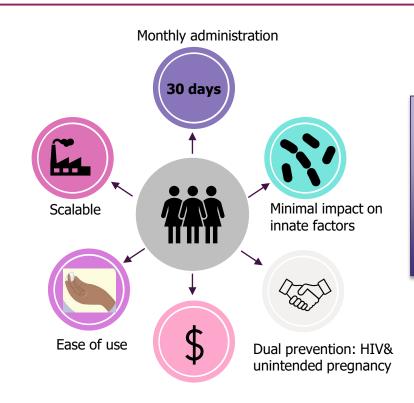


## **Dapivirine contraceptive film**



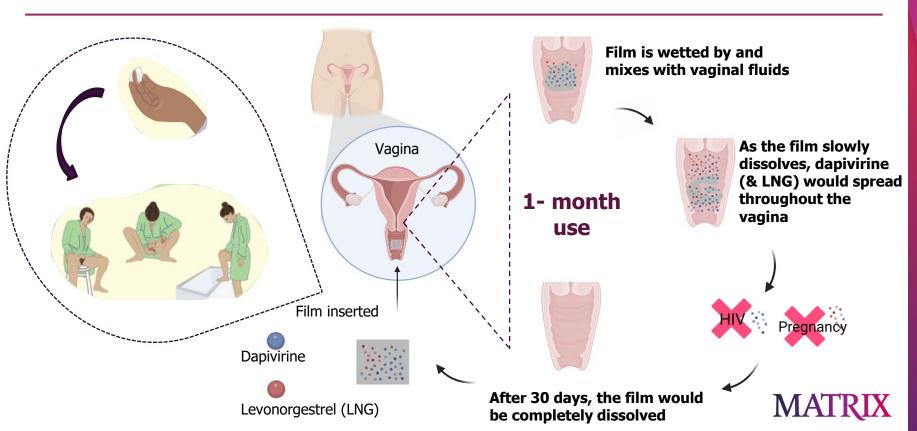






- 2" x 2"
- Bioerodible (dissolvable)
- Contains: dapivirine & levonorgestrel

### How would the film work?



# Why dapivirine (DPV) and levonorgestrel (LNG) combination?

- Approved drugs in several target countries
- Several LNG products on the market
- DPV vaginal ring is approved
- Extensively investigated Safety and Efficacy
  - LNG approved for >30 years
  - DPV evaluated in >40 clinical studies
- Regulatory approval pathway
- Drug-drug compatibility
- Cost

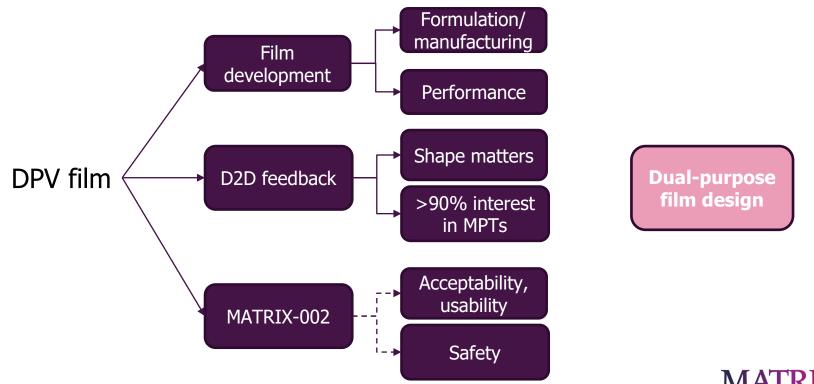






## Synergy with the dapivirine film project

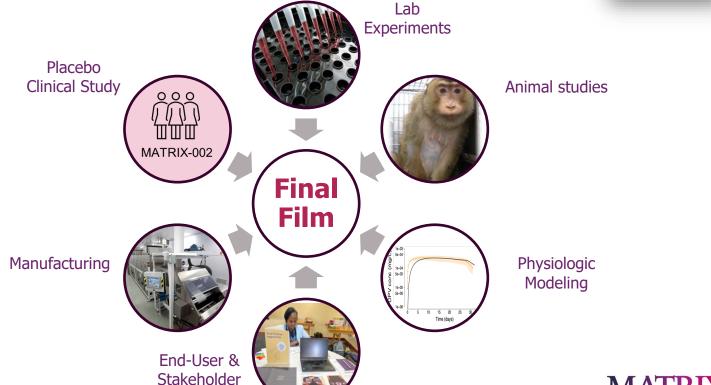




## Feedback-driven development

Feedback



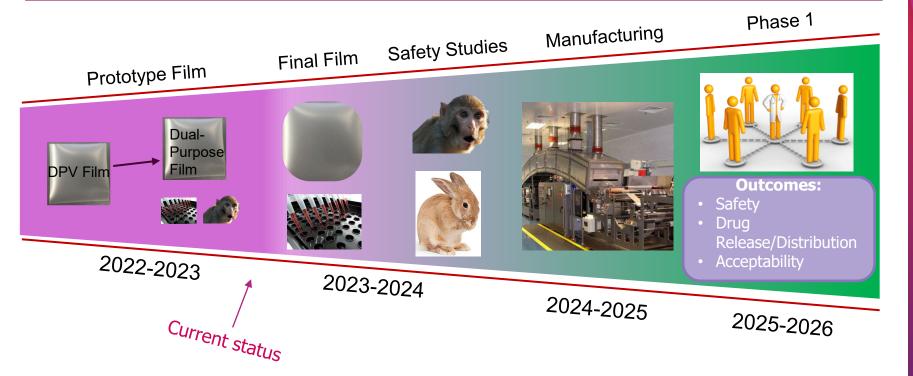


D2D P1 and P3 Kay et al. BJCP 2018

MATRIX

# Overall product development timeline (2022-2026)





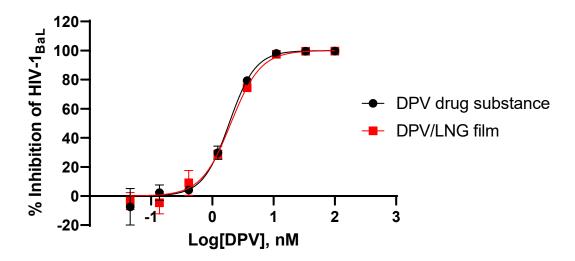
### Where we are with development

- Analytical methods developed
  - Prototypes developed and evaluated in macaques
- Formulation and processing are being optimized to address *in vivo* performance challenges
- Initiated set-up of dedicated facility for manufacturing hormone containing product
- Scale-up on the commercial line is being planned
- Feedback from DPV film, D2D pillars, and MATRIX-002 will be incorporated into film design

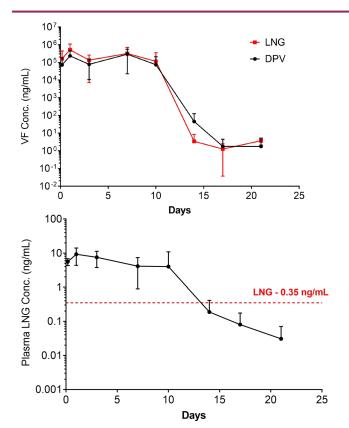


# **Dual-purpose film retains anti-HIV activity**

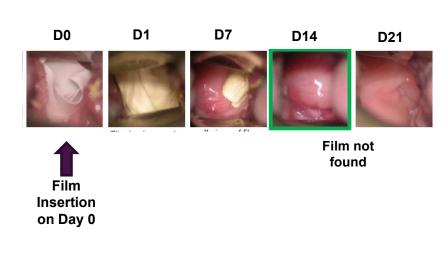
- Dose-response curve for prototype dapivirine/levonorgestrel (DPV/LNG) dual purpose film and DPV drug substance
- Anti-HIV activity tested in a cell-based model



# Dual-purpose prototype film evaluation in macaques



#### Colposcope visualization of the dualpurpose film in the macaque vagina



## Challenges



Formulation development and in vivo performance



**Manufacturing** 



**Regulatory considerations** 

#### CHALLENGE

## $^{\mathsf{I}}In\ vivo$ disintegration



Film not found

#### **Solutions:**

- Reduce LNG drug loading
- 2. Change processing and excipient composition ongoing



#### CHALLENGE

# Manufacturing hormone containing products

- Special handling due to potential effects on reproductive functions and cross-contamination
- Waste management
- Dedicated facility with validated cleaning methods are required
- Our manufacturing partner, Benefit Coatings is on schedule to complete facility setup for handling hormone containing products end of 2023



#### **CHALLENGE**

## Regulatory



- Two drugs two review divisions?
- Dual indication prevention product first of its kind
  - Products with multiple actives and indications have been approved
- Data Requirements
  - DPV and LNG approved and/or clinically evaluated
  - Bridging studies
- Prime working on input from regulators on MPT. This will facilitate regulatory strategy



### **Next steps**

Film optimization for 30-day release

*In vivo* confirmatory study

Scale up and manufacture Studies supporting regulatory filing

Phase 1 clinical study

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