

IN HER  
*Mother's Shoes*

A TRAVELLING EXHIBIT ON  
WOMEN, HIV, AND HOPE



As she becomes a woman big enough to wear her mother's sandals, Martha - who lost her mother to AIDS, will grow up in Zimbabwe where 50 percent of today's teenagers are expected to someday die of AIDS.

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A GEL THAT COULD  
PROTECT WOMEN  
FROM HIV ...

*In Her Mother's Shoes* tells the story of what it means to be a woman in a world of AIDS – a world where many women have little say about relationships. About sex. About condoms. And no way to protect themselves against HIV.

A handful of scientists and advocates are racing to curb the loss of future generations from this epidemic.

Their pursuit – a microbicide – would offer this hope.

# Microbicides

## GIVING WOMEN POWER OVER AIDS

Microbicides (*my CROW besides*) are a new class of products under development that a woman could use vaginally to protect herself and her partner from HIV and other sexually transmitted infections. A microbicide could be produced in many forms: a gel, cream, sponge, or intra-vaginal ring that could be used for months at a time.

Scientists estimate that even a 60 percent effective microbicide could prevent 2.5 million HIV infections in three years among women, men and children in the developing world.

Since microbicide research depends on government leadership and investment, public support is vital. Through the Global Campaign for Microbicides, people around the world are working in their own communities to demand safe and effective user-controlled HIV prevention tools.

To learn more and find out how you can help,  
go to [www.global-campaign.org](http://www.global-campaign.org)  
or call +32 (0)2 507 1229

**Invitation to Exhibition Opening, 25 June, 17:45 at SÖDAK**  
The International Partnership for Microbicides (IPM) cordially invites you to the opening of the exhibition "In Her Mother's Shoes" on  
**Thursday, 25 June 2009 at 17:45 at IPM's booth 9.08.**

The exhibition in hall 9.1 welcomes visitor daily from 24 to 27 June.  
**Einladung zur Ausstellungseröffnung, 25. Juni, 17:45 auf dem SÖDAK**  
Die International Partnership for Microbicides (IPM) lädt Sie herzlich zur Eröffnung der Ausstellung "In Her Mother's Shoes" am **Donnerstag, 25. Juni 2009 um 17.45 Uhr am Stand von IPM (9.08) ein.**  
Die Ausstellung in Halle 9.1 ist vom 24. bis 27. Juni täglich für Besucher geöffnet.

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