## RTS,S MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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### What is the malaria vaccine candidate Ad35.CS.01 x RTS,S and how is it different from RTS,S

In this collaborative study<sup>(a)</sup>, a prime-boost approach i.e., a single dose of Crucell's Ad35.CS.01 malaria candidate vaccine, followed by two doses of RTS,S/AS01 was compared to three doses of the RTS,S/AS01 candidate vaccine alone. The Ad35.CS.01 is a viral vector, Adenovirus 35, encoding the CS protein which is also present in RTS,S.

Results of an interim analysis<sup>(b)</sup> showed that the Ad35.CS.01-RTS,S/AS01 combination failed the study objective to increase by at least 50% the vaccine efficacy provided by RTS,S/AS01 alone. This vaccine combination is no longer pursued.

- a. clinicaltrials.gov NCT01366534
- b. Ockenhouse, C. et al. LB-166, November 13, 2012, 61st annual meeting of the American Society for Tropical Medicine and Hygiene