

## RTS,S MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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- The vaccine RTS,S/AS01 has completed phase 3 clinical program and positive regulatory assessment from the European Medicines Agency, but is not yet authorized for marketing in any country. The RTS,S vaccine is being developed in Public Private Partnership with PATH-MVI, as an additional tool to be added to the currently available malaria preventive interventions and for implementation through the national immunization programs in malaria endemic regions in sub-Saharan African countries.
- When referencing clinical data on RTS,S any statements should be prefaced by "In this study...", to make it clear that it is too early to make any general statement on the vaccine profile outside the context of the ongoing clinical trials.
- Have you found what you were looking for? If you have any suggestions for information which should be included in this tool please contact us at the following address: Carys Calvert at [carys.calvert@gsk.com](mailto:carys.calvert@gsk.com).

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### **What is the estimated cost for RTS,S delivery?**

Costs estimated for RTS,S delivery are similar to other vaccines recently introduced in sub-Saharan Africa.  
(a)

Although comparability with other antigens is limited given differences in vaccine properties, deployment strategies, immunization rate, etc., costs estimated by Galactinova *et al* for RTS,S delivery are similar to other vaccines recently introduced in the region. (a)

- Financial vaccine delivery costs estimated to \$0.90 to \$1.91 per fully vaccinated child across the 6 countries (Burkina Faso, Ghana, Kenya, Senegal, Tanzania, and Uganda)
- Levels of support currently awarded by Gavi for new vaccine introduction: \$0.80 per child for vaccines delivered to infants and \$2.40 per girl for HPV vaccine
- Costs are higher if vaccine is delivered outside of routine schedule and if new visits would be required.

a. Galactinova *et al*, *Vaccine* 2015, [dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2015.10.0797](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2015.10.0797)