Biology Bricks Keywords

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HIV

HIV, or human immunodeficiency virus, a virus that spreads through the immune system and damages the white blood cells.



AIDS

AIDS, or autoimmune deficiency syndrome, is the aftermath of HIV, and leads to fatality. It opens the path for other infections to enter the body.



Sexual Intercourse

Unprotected sexual intercourse is the main transmission route for HIV. It is within the vaginal fluid, anal fluid and semen.



Flu-like Symptoms

Symptoms of HIV include flu-like symptoms for up to 6 weeks. Then you can go years without any symptoms.



Semen

One of the body fluids that may carry the HIV virus, semen is ejaculated from the male reproductive organ.



Vaginal Fluid

A body fluid that may carry the HIV virus, vaginal fluid is within the vagina and uterus of the female reproductive organ.



Anal Fluid

A body fluid that may carry the HIV virus, anal fluid is in the anus and rectum.



Immune System

The immune system is made up of three lines of defence, but the white blood cells are what HIV attack and damage.



Transmission

How HIV is given from one person to another.



Antiretroviral

A way to inhibit the HIV virus and stop the damage from occurring. Medication is taken daily.



Undetectable Viral Load

A test is given to someone with HIV and the viral load is undetectable, meaning the treatment is working well.

