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**Long term non Progressors (LTNP) with vertically infected HIV children – a report from India**

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**Abstract:** Very little is known about long-term non progressors (LTNP) in vertically infected HIV children in India. We report 9 vertically infected HIV positive LTNP. The mean age of the 9 children in the study was 10.6 years with age range of 9 to 13 years. The average follow up duration is 3.7 yrs. Male: female ratio is 1:1. The average number of opportunistic infections in these children was found to be 3, with a range of 0 to 6, throughout the follow up period. None of the infections required hospitalization. At presentation, 2(22.2%) of children belonged to CDC class A, and 7(77.8%) belonged to CDC class B. At follow up, 8(88.9%) children were asymptomatic whereas 1 child (11.1%) belongs to class A. At presentation, 7 out of 9 (77.8%) belonged to immune category 1 and 2 (22.2%) belonged to category 2. On follow up, the distribution remained the same.