CAPRISA recognizes that community engagement and partnerships with informed communities is critical to the successful and ethical conduct of research. Community Advisory Boards are in place to support research studies and work closely with the CAPRISA Community Core Team.

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**RESEARCH PROGRAMMES**

**EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PREVENTION**

Epidemiological studies monitor the evolving HIV epidemic; identify socio-behavioural and biological factors that contribute to young women’s increased risk of HIV infection; and evaluate new HIV prevention strategies.

**VACCINE AND PATHOGENESIS**

The vaccine and pathogenesis programme aims to advance both passive immunization and vaccine strategies to reduce HIV incidence among young women in South Africa.

**HIV AND TB TREATMENT**

The TB-HIV Treatment Research Programme undertakes clinical studies aimed at reducing death among TB-HIV co-infected patients.

**MUCOSAL IMMUNOLOGY**

The Mucosal Immunology Laboratory focuses on investigating cutting edge concepts in mucosal immunology that are relevant to preventing HIV infection in women.

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**RESEARCH CLINICS**

The **Philasande** CAPRISA Research Site is located adjacent to the Prince Mshyeni Hospital (PMMH). The Site conducts studies to prevent mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT) of HIV.

The **Vulindlela** CAPRISA Research Clinic adjoins the Mafakatini Primary Health Care Clinic in the rural Vulindlela district in KwaZulu-Natal. This research facility works closely with the local community to study new approaches to HIV prevention and treatment.

The **Springfield** CAPRISA Research Clinic at the King Dinuzulu Hospital, which is the largest TB referral hospital in the province of KwaZulu-Natal. CAPRISA’s research here focuses on clinical studies on MDR-TB and XDR-TB.