

Traditional Values Coalition SPECIAL REPORT



Amsterdam AIDS Study Reveals 'Consensual' Infidelity Among Homosexual Couples

IN A 2003 STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL *AIDS*, (17:1029-1038), Dutch researchers studied the spread of HIV among homosexual males in Amsterdam.

Lead researcher on this study was Dr. Maria Xiridou, with the Amsterdam Municipal Health Service. Dr. Xiridou's introduction to this study states: "Data from the Amsterdam Cohort Study (ACS) among young homosexual men suggest that a substantial proportion of new HIV infections occur within steady partnerships. Despite the intensive campaign promoting safe sex practices among homosexual men in Amsterdam, risk-taking remains at substantial levels, especially among steady partners."

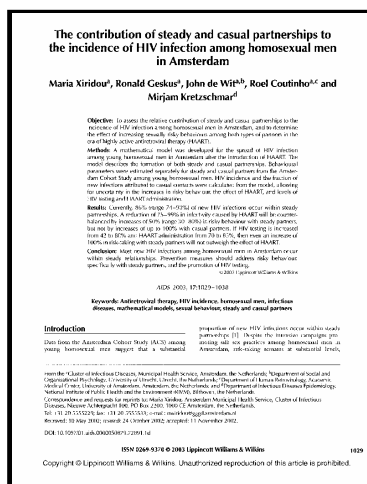
The study surveyed the differences in the spread of HIV infections among so-called "casual" sexual partners and those who considered themselves to be "steady" sex partners.

This study began in 1995 and was comprised of homosexual males under the age of 30. Every six months they were given self-administered questionnaires to fill out on their sex habits. The study ended in 1996.

Researchers discovered that homosexuals engaging in "casual" encounters had an average of between 16-28 sexual partners each year. **Those in so-called "steady" relationships had an average of 6-10 sex partners outside of their steady sex partner.**

In short, even in relationships that are considered "steady" by homosexual couples, they are still engaging in sodomy to as many as six to ten other individuals.

The study also showed that these allegedly steady relationships actually resulted in a wider spread of HIV infec-



tion among sex partners. Why? Because of "unsafe" sexual practices. The researchers concluded, "ACS revealed that between 1994 and 2000, young seroconverters were more likely to have contracted HIV from their steady partner than from casual partners."

What Does This Study Mean For The United States?

Homosexual sex habits are basically the same regardless of the culture they live in—especially in pro-homosexual environments like the U.S. and The Netherlands.

Homosexuals who claim that they want to be "married," are likely to spread AIDS far more rapidly than those who engage in anonymous sex in "gay" bars.

Homosexual activist Andrew Sullivan, writing in *Virtually Normal* says that heterosexuals will have to understand that among homosexuals there is: "... the need for extramarital outlets" that is far greater than among heterosexuals. He notes, "The truth is, homosexuals are not entirely normal; and to flatten their varied and complicated lives into a single, moralistic model is to miss what is essential and exhilarating about their otherness." (pp. 202-203).

Sullivan confirms what the Amsterdam study found: **Homosexuals have no intention of remaining monogamous—even if they win the "right" to marry.** They will continue to have multiple partners—and it is likely that the HIV epidemic will spread even more rapidly among "steady" homosexual marriages—if they are legalized here in the U.S. It happened in The Netherlands, and it will happen here.

