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	3.1	TAG recommends interventions such as demonstration sites/projects to determine feasibility and effectiveness of chemoprophylaxis in programme conditions. This should follow the establishment of a viable and sustainable system of contact examination. (Reference to recommendations of Eighth WHO Expert Committee on Leprosy, 2012, Report # 968)2		
	3.2	Preliminary results of multicentric study on Uniform Multidrug Therapy (U-MDT) are encouraging and might possibly lead to making leprosy treatment simpler. TAG awaits the final report, which is due in 20152		
	3.3	TAG recommends continuation and expansion of the efforts of global surveillance of drug resistance even though resistance in relapse does not currently appear to be a major problem. TAG also recommends development of a system by each country programme for identification and follow-up of relapse cases		
	3.4	Integration of leprosy with other Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD) control programmes may improve collaborative resource mobilization and its effective utilization. There is a need for further clarification and orientation on the process at the global, regional and national levels		
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Acronyms

GLP	Global Leprosy Programme
G2D	grade-2 disabilities
ILEP	International Federation of Anti-leprosy Associations
LPEP	leprosy post-exposure prophylaxis
MDT	multidrug therapy
NTD	neglected tropical disease
SEAR	South-East Asia Region
SMHF	Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation
U-MDT	uniform multidrug therapy
WER	Weekly Epidemiological Record
WHO	World Health Organization
TAG	Technical Advisory Group

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