Having Sex With Albino People Does Not Prevent or Cure AIDS

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Did we really just write that? Yes, we did. Because some black magic teaches that albino people are an HIV cure. As a result, hundreds of albino people in Tanzania have been killed, and many young albino women and girls raped. Albino “hunters” in the East African tourist mecca (home to Mount Kilimanjaro) harvest albino hair, blood, genitals and other body parts to sell on the black market or to use in bogus cure regimens. Prompted by an international outcry, the Tanzanian government arrested suspects (including police) and offered protection to albinos. Yet reports of attacks continue. While the albino death toll rises, so does the number of new HIV cases.

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