The Blood of Christ (a powerful one-man AIDS protest)

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Reminiscent of some of ACT UP's most powerful visuals, Polo Gomez, 43, wore a crown of needles holding what he said was his own HIV-infected blood during a protest against the increasing prices of AIDS treatment, in Mexico City, on June 18, 2008. Mexico City is currently hosting the International AIDS Conference.



(AP Photo/Gregory Bull)



The writing on his chest says "VIH-SIDA EMERGENCIA NACIONAL," or "HIV/AIDS National Emergency."

Do the pictures make you cringe? Do they make you sad? Angry? There's no doubting they make you think.

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