### **Liver Disease in HIV**

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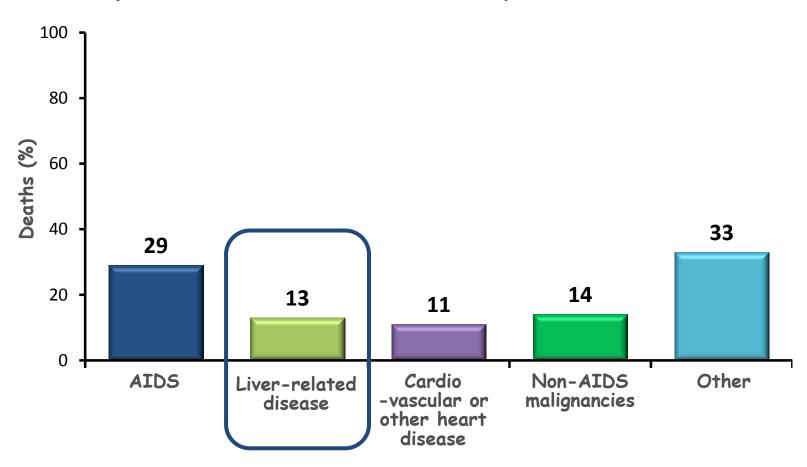
### **Outline**

- Importance of liver disease in HIV
- Global burden of Viral Hepatitis and contribution to morbidity/mortality
- Drug-induced liver disease
- HBV
- HCV

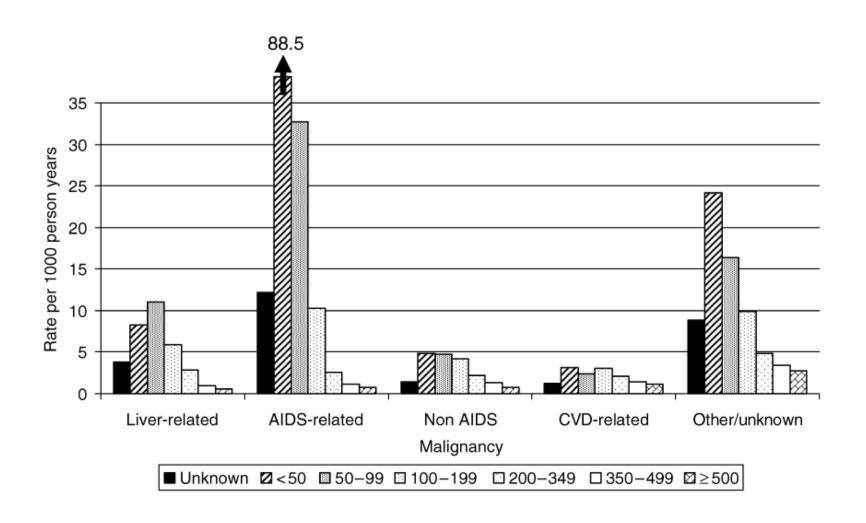
Case-based discussion (Thursday pm)

# D:A:D: Liver-related death is a frequent cause of non-AIDS death in HIV-infected patients

D:A:D Study: Causes of death in n=49,734 HIV-infected patients followed 1999-2011



### Liver-related death and CD4 count

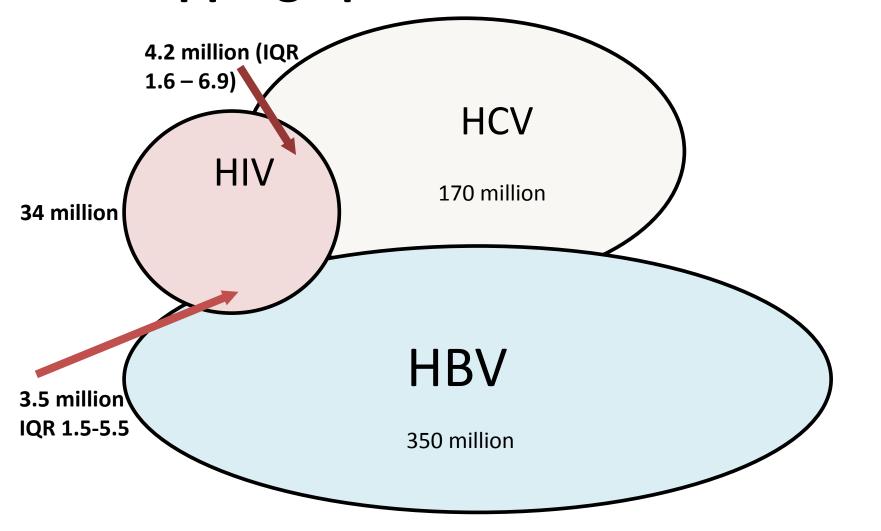


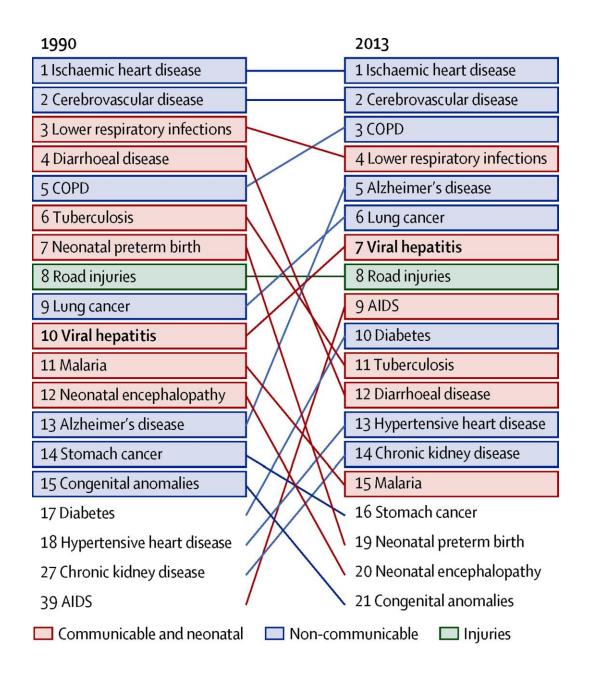
D.A.D study Gp. AIDS 2010: 24: 1537

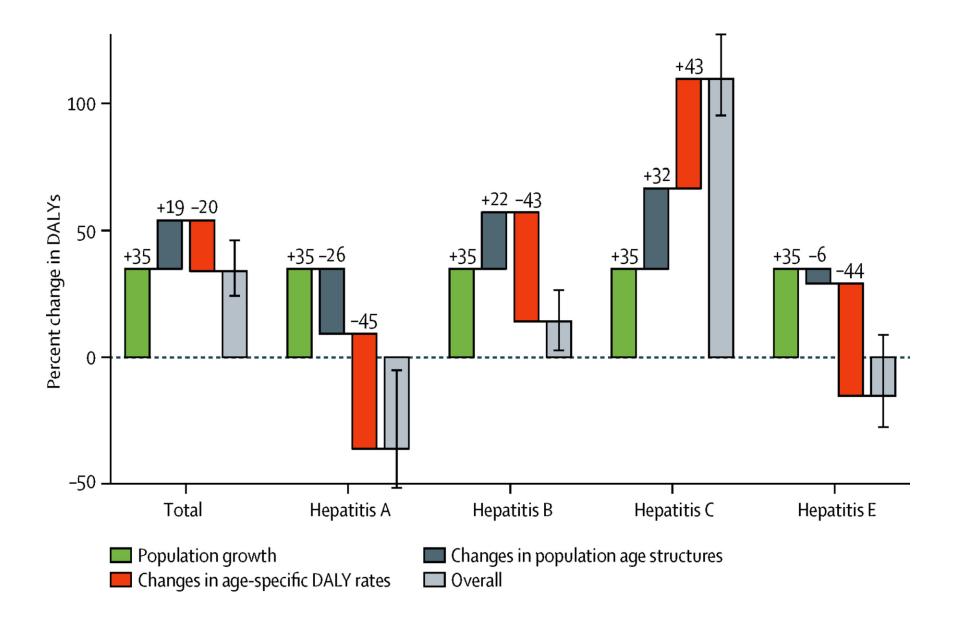
Liver Disease in HIV-infected Patients multifactorial HIV Co-morbidity Opportunistic diseases treatment HIV treatment NNRTIS, PIS, NRTIS, INSTIS Hepatitis Entry inhibitors viruses Fatty Liver Disease Immune reconstitution Alcohol abuse/IVDU Pre-existing diseases

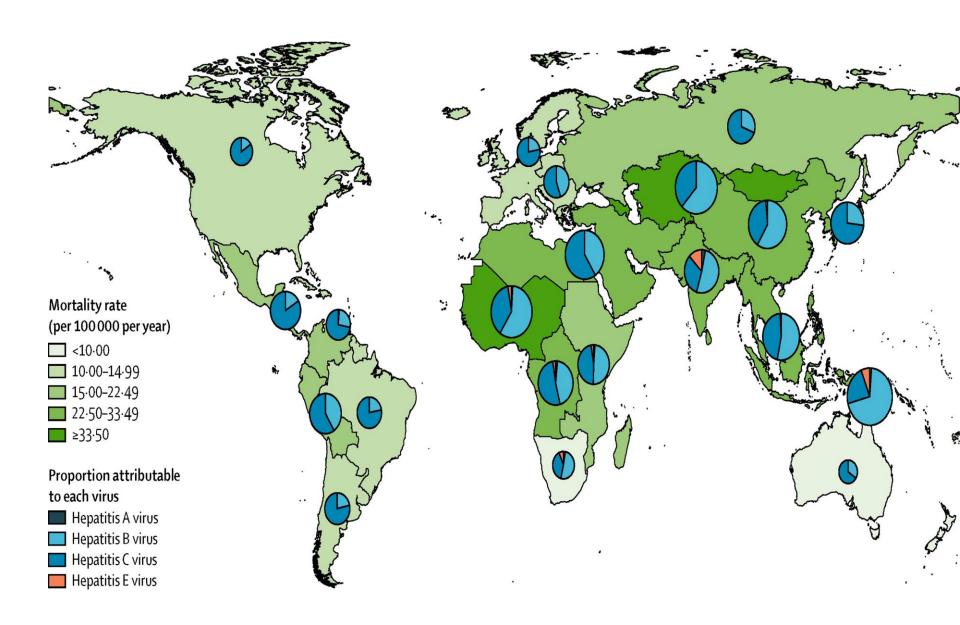
Sulkowski M. et al. Ann Intern Med. 2003;138:197-207 Guaraldi G et al Clin Infect Dis 2008 47(2): 250-257 Greub G et al. Lancet 2000;356:1800-1805

### Overlapping epidemics – co-infections

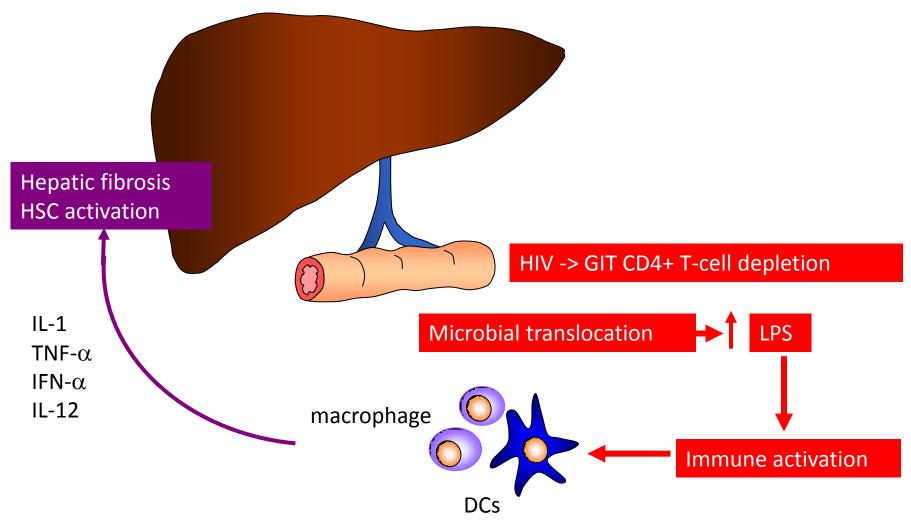








# HIV-associated Immune activation and liver disease



Mathurin et al., Hepatology 2000; 32:1008-1017; Paik et al., Hepatology 2003; 37:1043-1055; Balagopal et al., Gastroenterology 2008; 135:226-233..

### START liver fibrosis study (2014)

- Sub-study of 230 (4577) patients
- Baseline FibroScan, FIB-4, APRI
- 7.8% >F2 fibrosis by FibroScan (10% FIB-4, 8.6% APRI)
- Multivariate analysis
  - Significant Fibrosis associated with HIV RNA and ALT at baseline
  - Not associated with BMI or use of anti-lipid therapy

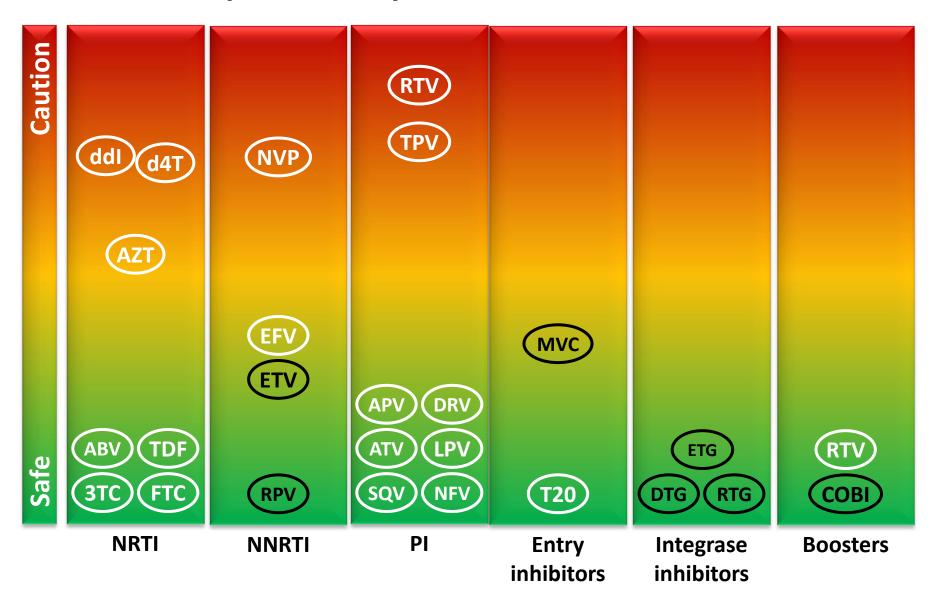
### Mechanisms of drug-related liver injury in HIVinfected patients

Mechanism	
Metabolic host-mediated (intrinsic and idiosyncratic)	NNRTIs and PIs Usually 2-12 months after initiation Occurrence can vary by agent Dose-dependence for intrinsic damage
Hypersensitivity	NVP>ABC>fosAPV Early, usually within 2-12 weeks Often associated with rash HLA-linked
Mitochondrial toxicity	NRTIs ddI>d4T>AZT>ABC=TDF=FTC/3TC
Immune reconstitution	Chronic Hepatitis B Chronic HCV? Within first few months More common if low CD4 count/large rise

### Non Cirrhotic Portal Hypertension

- Almost exclusively associated with didanosine (ddl) use
  - Related to duration of use
  - May present many years after discontinuation
- Histologically:
  - Nodular regenerative hyperplasia
  - Partial Nodular Transformation
  - Portal venopathy
  - May be normal
- Clinically: Portal hypertension
  - Variceal bleeding (Scourfield et al, IJSA 2011)
  - Ascites
- Association with SNPs in 5-nucloeotidase and xanthine oxidase (Vispo et al, CID 2013)
- ? Role of screening for ddl exposed patients

#### **Hepatic Safety Profile of ARVs**



After Soriano at al. AIDS 2008; 22: 1-13

## Associated Risk factors for hepatotoxicity of ART

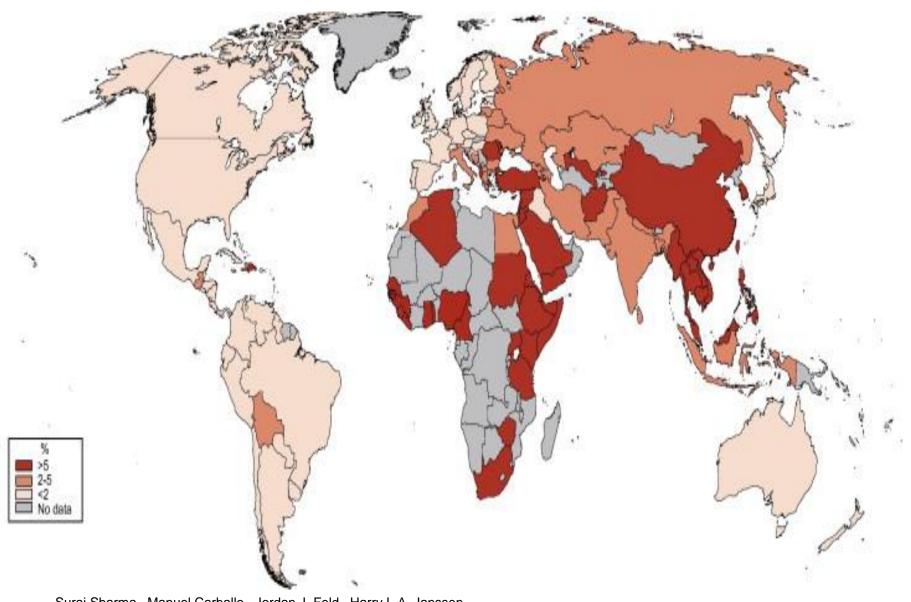
- Hepatitis B and C co-infection
- Higher baseline ALT/AST levels
- Alcohol
- Older age
- Female gender
- High or low CD4 count
- Lower BMI
- Use of ddI, d4T, NVP, RTV (>200mg/day rather than at 'boosting' 100mg/day)

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Rodriguez-Rosado et al. AIDS 1998;12:1256; Sulkowski et al. JAMA 2000;283:74.; Saves et al. AIDS 1999;13:F115; den Brinker et al. AIDS 2000;14:2895; Martínez et al. AIDS 2001;15:1261; Núñez et al. J AIDS 2001;27:426.
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### Hepatotoxicity in HBV and HCV coinfected patients - mechanisms

- Immune restoration increase in CTL activity
- Direct hepatotoxicity increased susceptibility of viral infected hepatocytes to metabolites
- Altered cytokine milieu in the presence of viral hepatitis
  - Increased risk of liver inflammation
  - Down-regulation of Cyp450 mediated drug metabolism with advancing liver disease

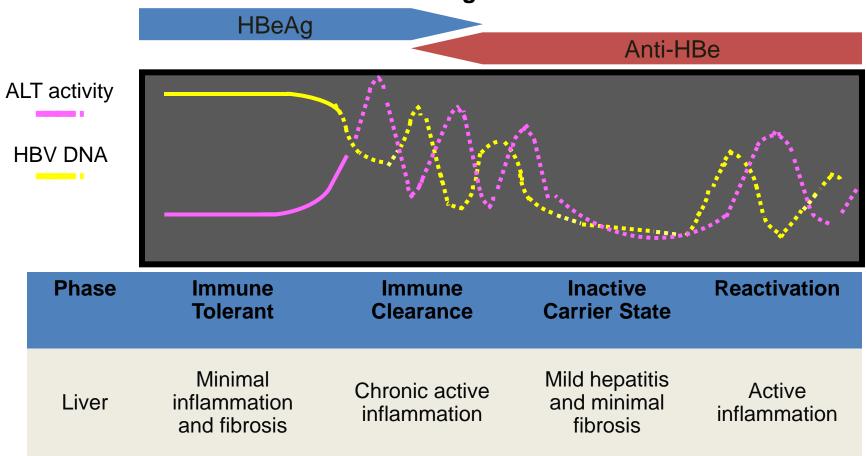
#### **Global HBV**



Suraj Sharma, Manuel Carballo, Jordan J. Feld, Harry L.A. Janssen Journal of Hepatology, Volume 63, Issue 2, 2015, 515–522

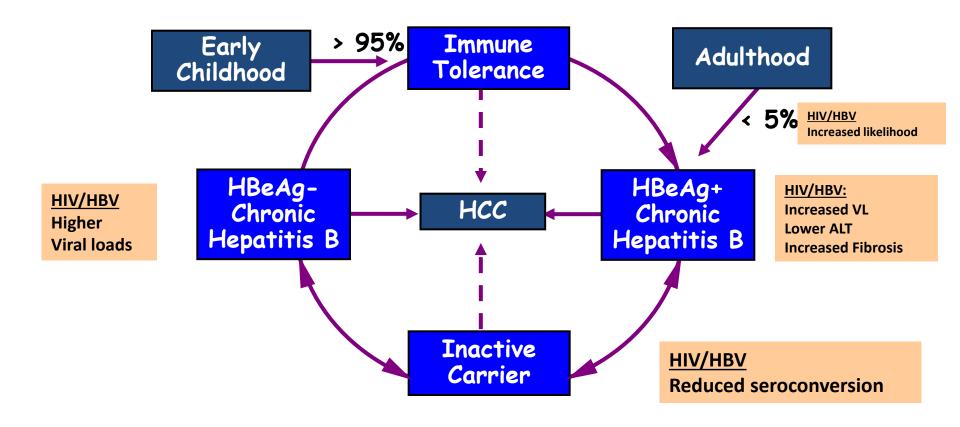
# 4 Phases of Chronic HBV Infection

**Current Understanding of HBV Infection** 



Yim HJ, et al. Natural history of chronic hepatitis B virus infection: what we knew in 1981 and what we know in 2005. Hepatology. 2006;43:S173-S181. Copyright © 1999–2012 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. All Rights Reserved.

# Natural history of HBV infection – where does HIV co-infection fit in?



#### When do we need to Rx HBV?

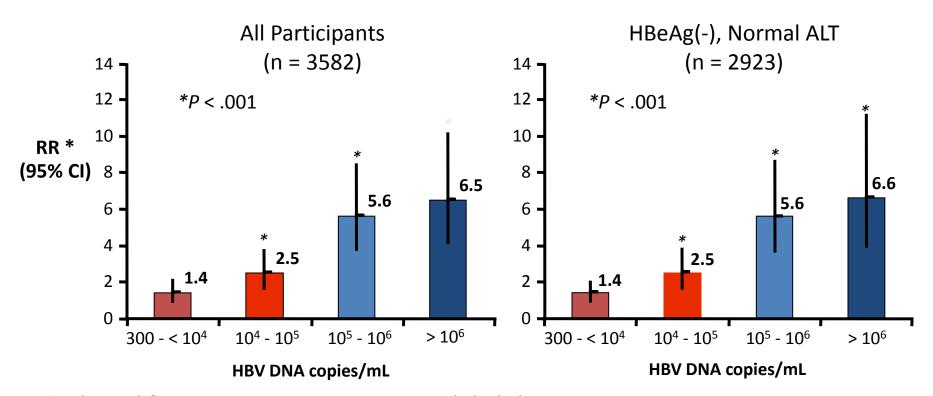
Everybody with detectable HBV DNA?

Based on HBV DNA levels?

- Those with evidence of significant liver disease?
  - Based on abnormal ALTs?
  - Histological activity/Fibrosis scores?

### Level of HBV DNA (c/ml) at entry & progression to cirrhosis and risk of HCC

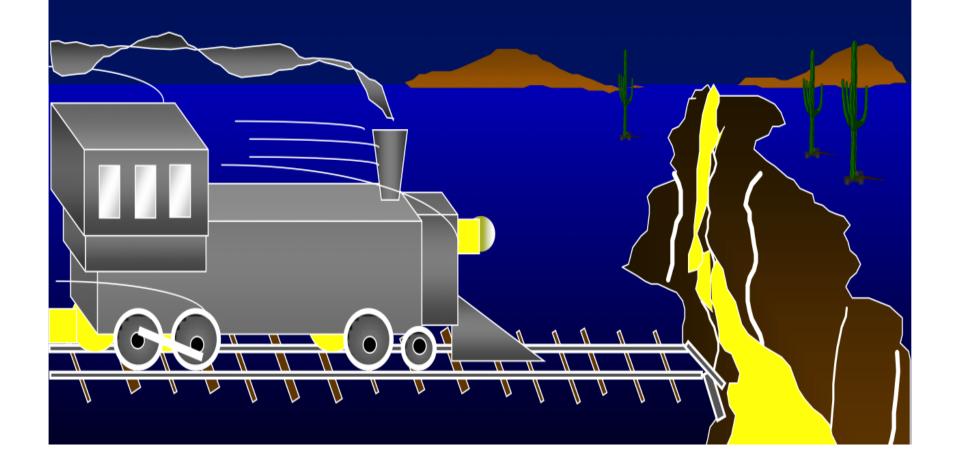
3582 HBsAg untreated asian carriers mean follow-up 11 yrs → 365 patients newly diagnosed with cirrhosis



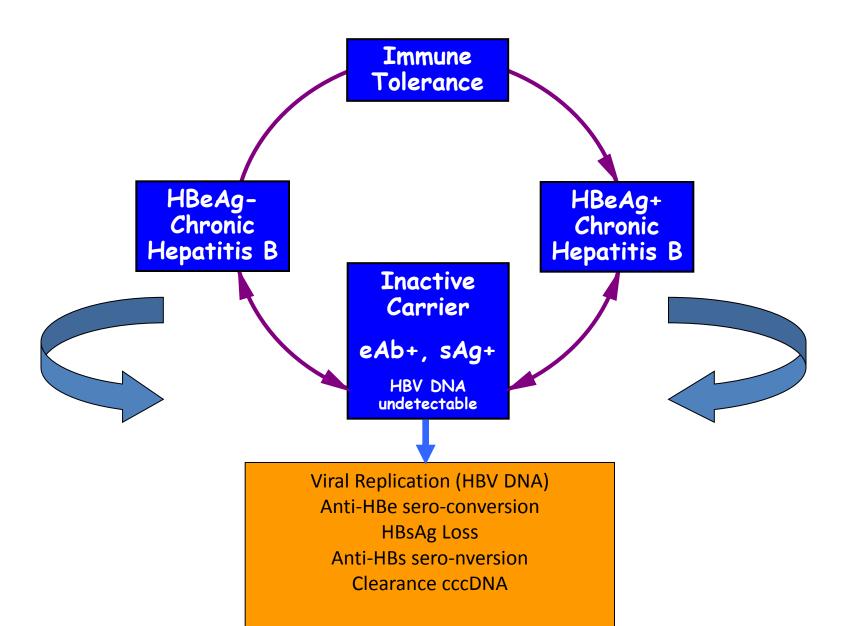
<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted for age, sex, cigarette smoking, and alcohol consumption.

HBV-DNA viral load (> 10<sup>4</sup> cp/ml) strongest predictor of progression to cirrhosis independent of ALT and HBeAg status

HBV DNA and immune response = engine ALT/Histological Activity Index (inflammation) = train speed Fibrosis stage = distance from canyon



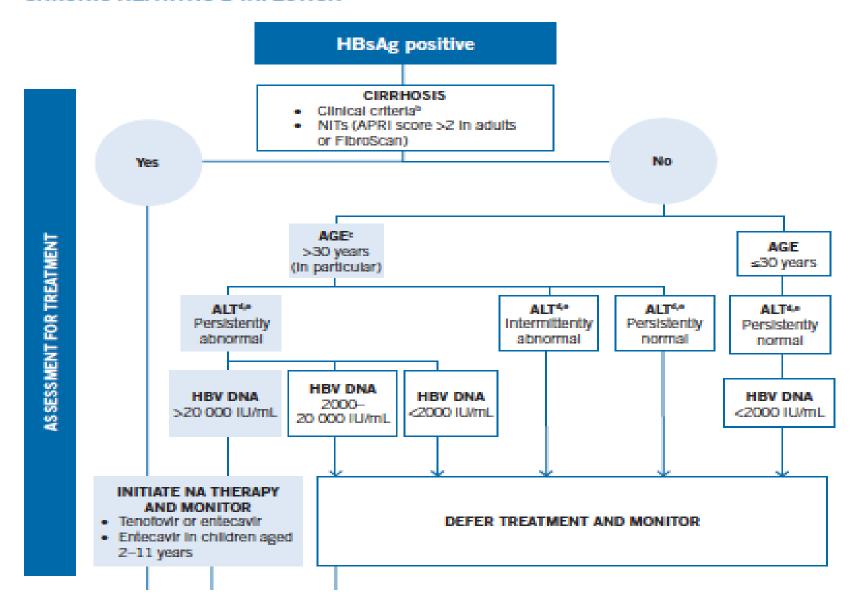
#### What does Rx aim to achieve?



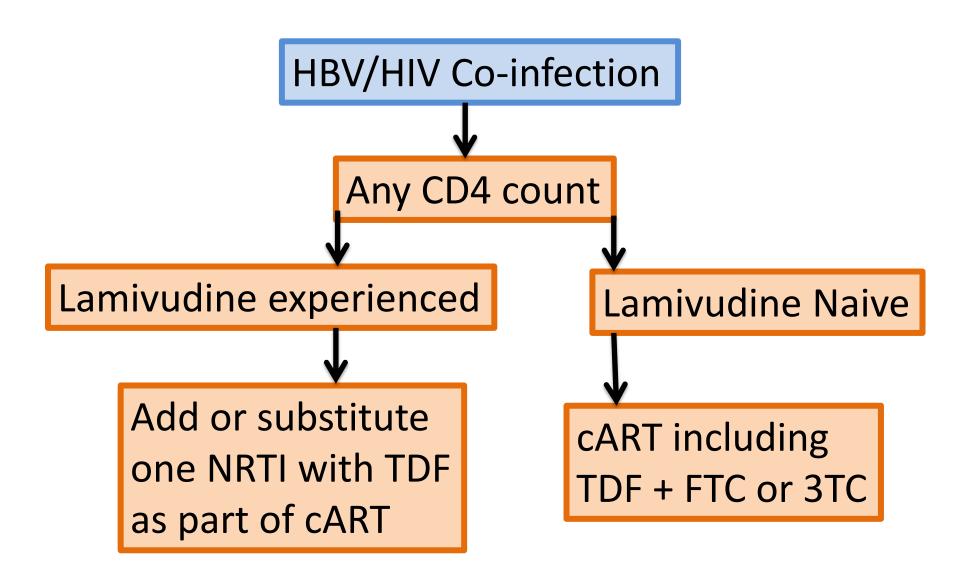
# Three key inter-linked factors in the decision to treat

- Age
  - -<30yrs vs. >30yrs
  - FH of HCC
- Level of fibrosis/inflammation
  - Cirrhosis
  - F2+ fibrosis
  - Abnormal liver enzymes
- HBV DNA levels
  - ->20 000 IU/ml

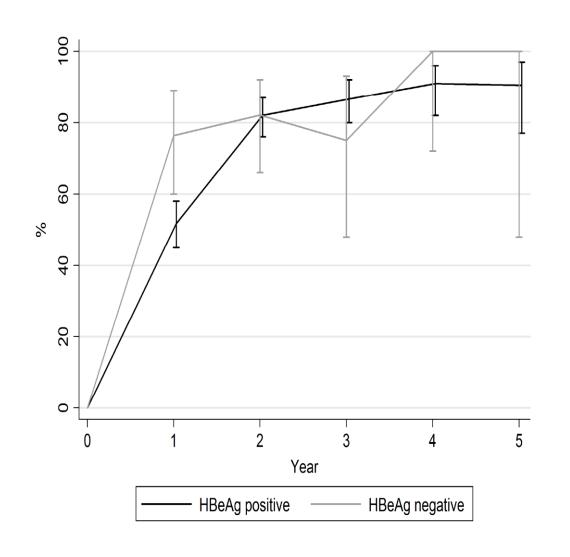
#### ALGORITHM OF WHO RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE MANAGEMENT OF PERSONS WITH CHRONIC HEPATITIS B INFECTION<sup>2</sup>



### **New Guidelines 2016**



## 13 years of tenofovir (TDF) in co-infected patients



Meta-analysis 23 studies 550 HIV-HBV patients on TDF

Increasing suppression over follow-up in majority

Little evidence of resistance

## Lack of access to routine testing and monitoring

#### World Hepatitis Alliance/WHO global survey 2009:

Testing for HBV and/or HCV

- >50% people live in countries with no free testing
- Only 4% low-income countries have ready access to testing

	Testing accessible to >50%	Testing anonymous	Free to all	Free to some
Africa	20%	40%	10%	27%
SE Asia	29%	29%	29%	14%
Europe	86%	55%	27%	55%

### Lack of access to routine testing and monitoring

- Limited access to HBsAg testing means many co-infected individuals not identified pre-ART
- Negative

  Negative

  Positive

  Test Bar

  Control Bar
- Little understanding of natural history of co-infection in RLS



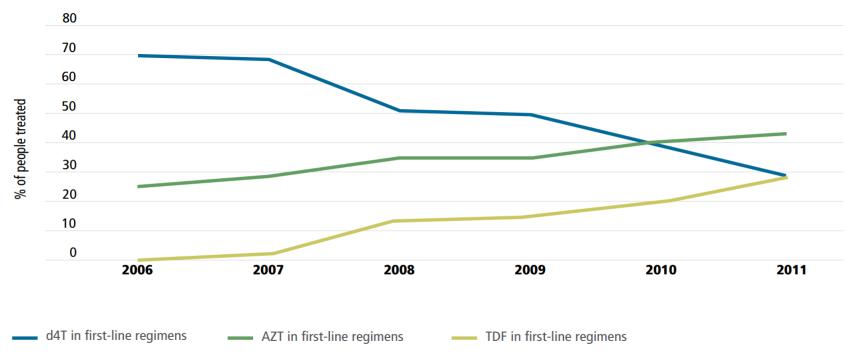
Liver disease fibrosis assessment not readily available



 Widespread absence of virological monitoring by HBV DNA testing

### Although TDF use is improving, far from universal

Trends in d4T, AZT and TDF use in first-line antiretroviral therapy regimens for adults in low- and middle-income countries, 2006–2011

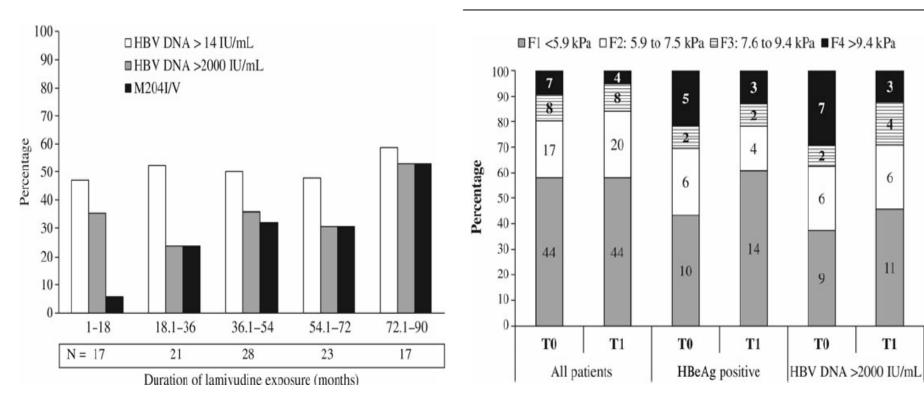


Source: Use of antiretroviral medicines by December 2011 based on the WHO survey in low- and middle-income countries (77).

Global update on HIV treatment 2013. WHO

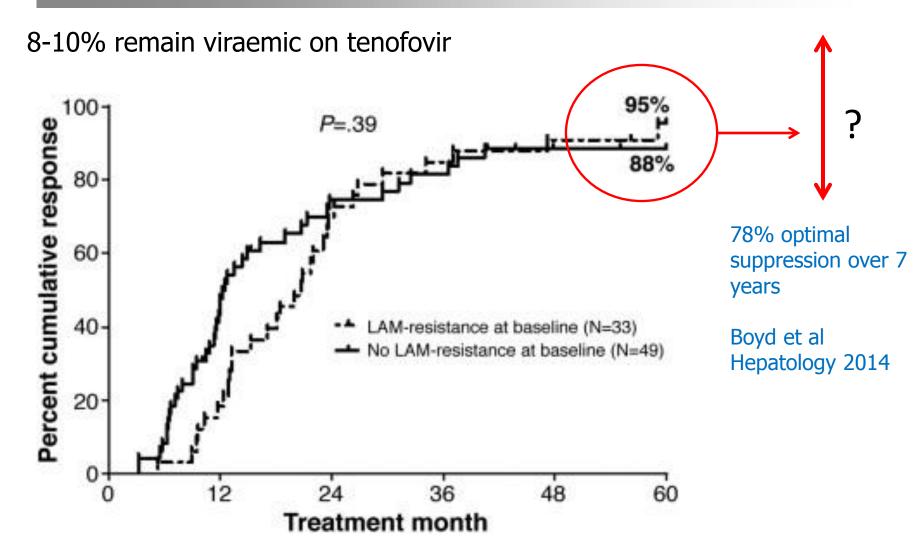
Tanzania: 3% HIV and 17% HIV/HBV on TDF regimen Hawkins IAC 2012

Liver Fibrosis by Transient Elastography and Virologic Outcomes After Introduction of Tenofovir in Lamivudine-Experienced Adults With HIV and Hepatitis B Virus Coinfection in Ghana



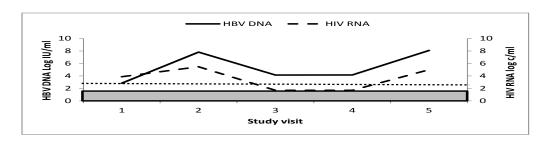
Stockdale, et al. Clin Infect Dis; 2015

#### Efficacy is never 100%

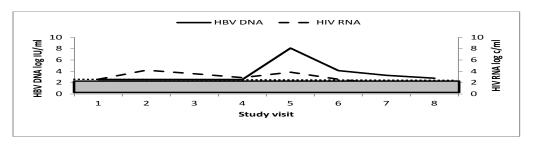


## Patterns of suboptimal response to TDF based therapy in HIV-HBV

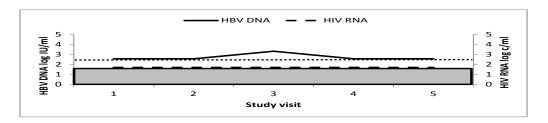
- •165 HIV -HBV coinfected individuals followed for median of 4 years
- HBV DNA detectable in 20% study visits



Persistent viraemia (n=25)



Viral rebound (n=13)



Blipper (n=24)

## Factors associated with detectable HBV DNA

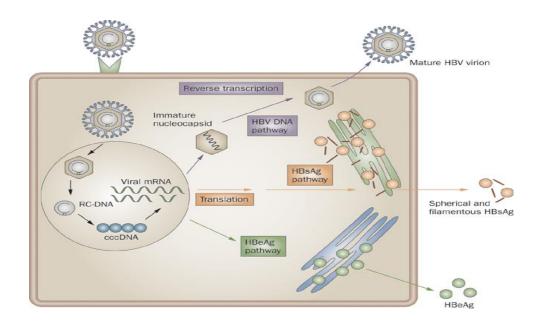
- On truvada based therapy at least 6 months
- Undetectable HIV RNA < 400 c/ml</li>

	OR	95% CI	p-value
Age (per 10 yrs)	0.90	0.48, 1.69	0.74
HBeAg positive	12.06	3.73, 38.98	< 0.0001
<95% adherent	2.52	1.16, 5.48	0.02
HAART <2 yrs	2.64	1.06, 6.54	0.04
$CD4 < 200 \text{ cells/mm}^3$	2.47	1.06, 5.73	0.04

Long term adherence is always a challenge

#### **Drivers of HBV viraemia on TDF?**

- Neither genotypic or phenotypic resistance have been definitively described
- Replication or reservoir release?



Virological (UDPS, SGA) and immunological studies may give insight

# Prophylaxis Effect of TDF in Prevention of HBV Acquisition in HIV (+) Patients

- HIV infected; HBV uninfected MSM
- Patients were serologically evaluated for HBV infection stratified by NRTI-ART

#### Frequency and Hazard Ratio of HBV Incident Infection

ART	Observation Period (Person-Years)	Incident Infection	HR (95% CI)	P-Value
No ART	446	30	1	
Other ART	114	6	.924 (.381-2.239)	.861
ART containing (LAM, TDF, or FTC)	1047	7	.113 (1.049261)	<.001
LAM-ART	814	7		
TDF-ART	233	0		

TDF containing ART resulted in zero HBV infections<sup>1</sup>

Statistically longer HBV-free survival with TDF compared to 3TC or no treatment  $(p = 0.004 \text{ and } 0.001)^2$ 

<sup>1.</sup> Gatanama, H, et al., CID 2013:56 June 15

<sup>43</sup> 

# Renal impairment with TDF – watch this space....

 240 patients with a 3year-time follow-up, normal eGFR at baseline1

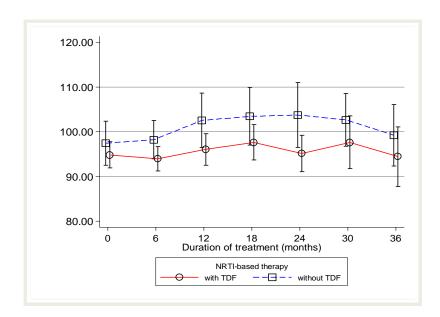
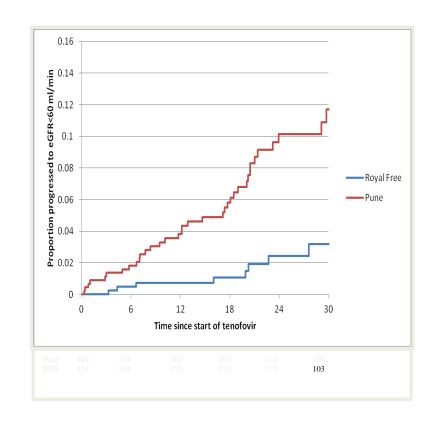


Figure 1: MDRD clearance over time

 >400 HIV+ patients receiving TDF



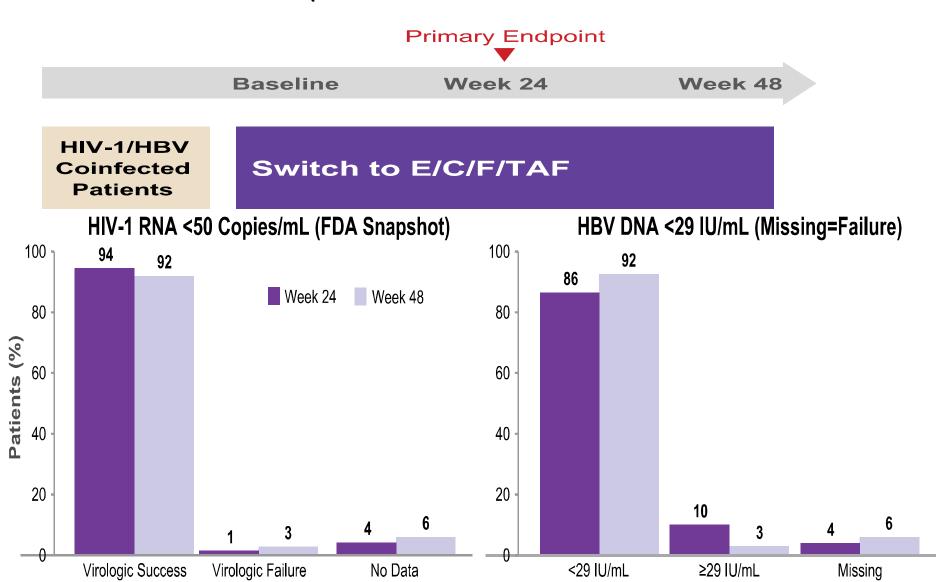
#### **Strategies when TDF is contra-indicated?**

- Reduce dose TDF
- Switch to entecavir (caution if LAM-R)
- Adefovir plus entecavir (?kidney disease)
- Peg-interferon (?advanced liver disease)

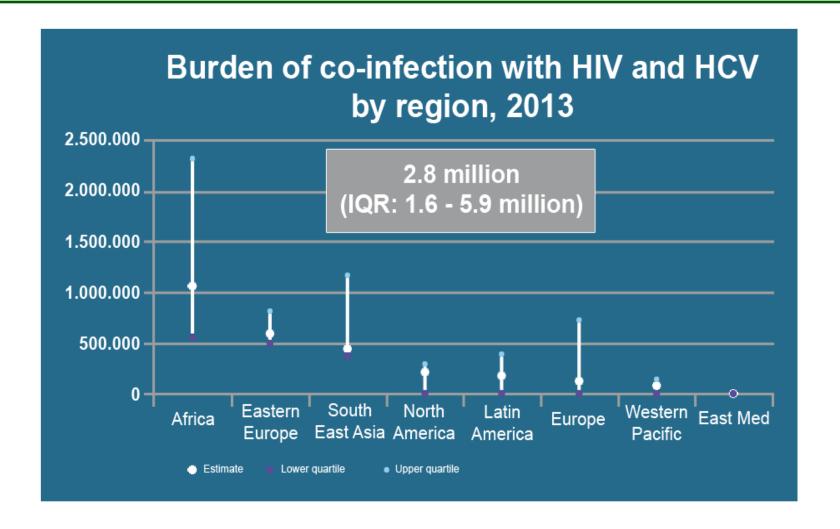
Tenfovir Alafenamide (TAF)

#### **TAF** in co-infected patients

(Galant et al, IAS 2015 WELBPE13)



#### **Burden of HCV in HIV populations**



#### HIV/HCV — double-trouble for the liver

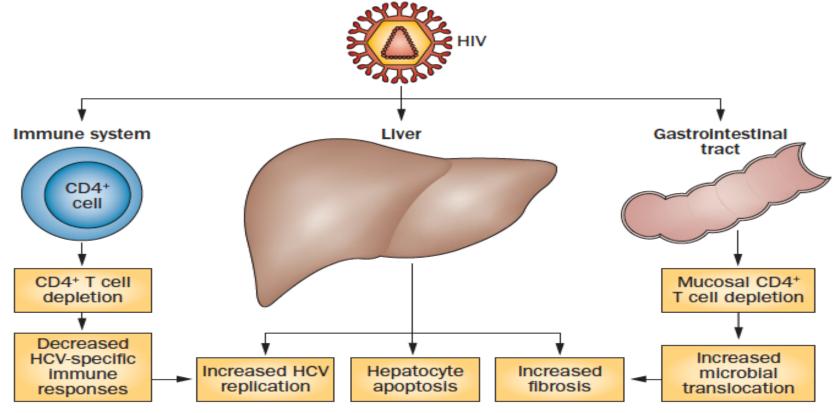


Figure 1 | Driving factors underlying liver disease pathogenesis in HCV–HIV co-infection. HIV infection leads to an impaired immune response against HCV, increased HCV replication, hepatic inflammation and apoptosis, increased microbial translocation from the gastrointestinal tract and increased fibrosis.

Chen J Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hep 2014 doi:10.1038/nrgastro.2014.17

### Faster progression even when controlling for alcohol and other co-morbidities

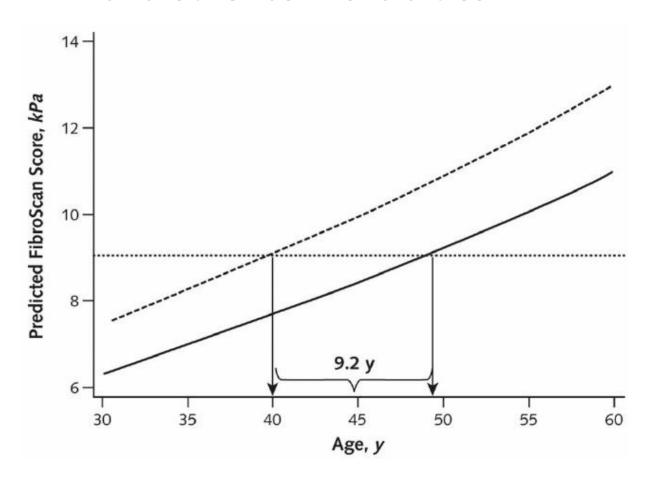
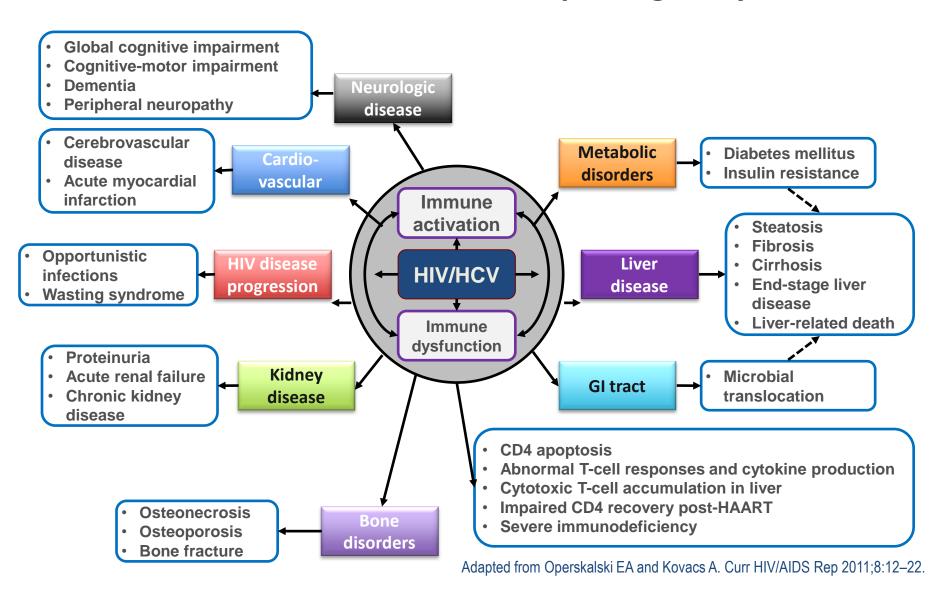


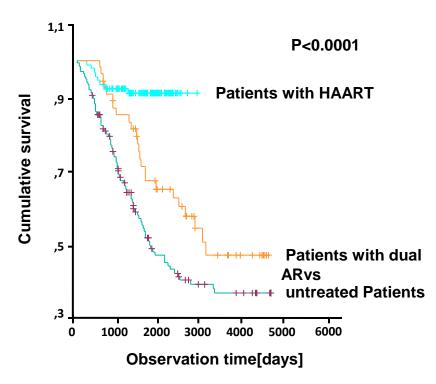
Figure 3. Liver fibrosis and age among persons coinfected with HIV and HCV (dashed line) and those with only HCV (solid line)

#### HIV/HCV – a contribution to multiple organ dysfunction



#### Overall and Liver-related Mortality - effect of HAART

#### A) Overall-Mortality



#### Patients under observation:

HAART-group: 93 79 33 - - - - ART-group: 55 46 30 15 9 1 Untreated-group: 13794 49 37 32 27

#### **B)** Liver-related-Mortality

Patients under observation:

Untreated-group: 13794

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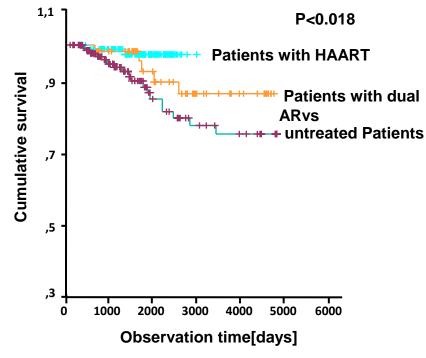
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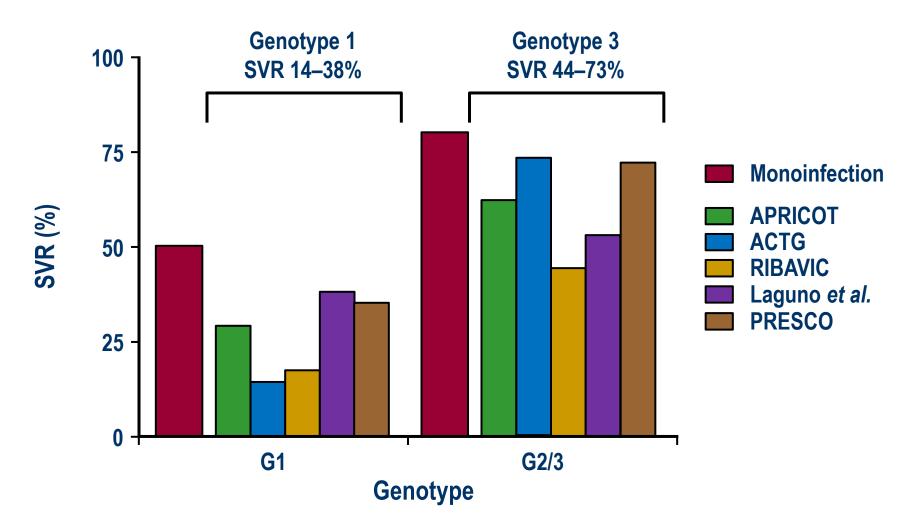
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**HAART-group:** 

ART-group:



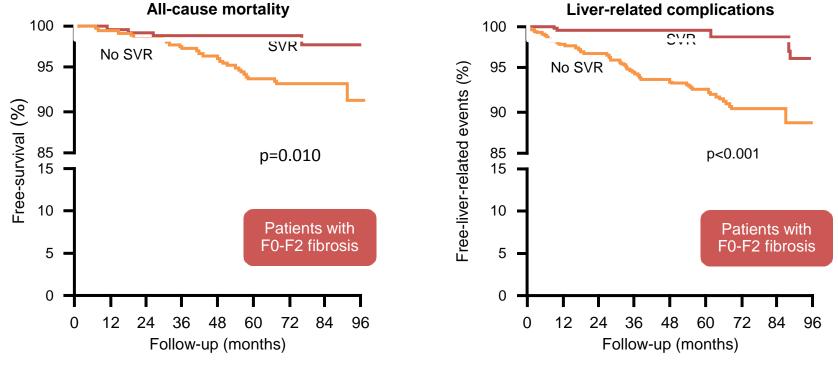
#### **HCV/HIV SVR24 with pegIFN and RIBAVIRIN**



Adapted from: Fried et al, NEJM 2002;347:975-982, Torriani et al, NEJM 2004;351:438-50, Chung R, et al, NEJM 2004;351:451-9 Carrat F, et al, JAMA 2004;292:2839-42, Laguno et al, AIDS 2004;18:F27-F36, Nunez et al, JAIDS 2007;45:439-44

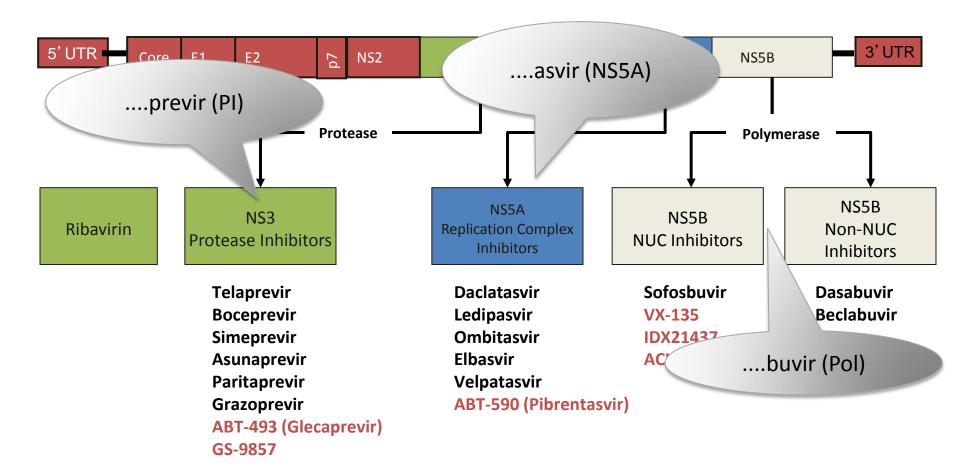
# SVR in HIV/HCV co-infected patients with mild Fibrosis

A total of 695 HIV/HCV-co-infected patients were treated with IFN/RBV after a median follow-up of 4.9 y ∋ars. 274 patients ε chieved an SVR



The achievement of an SVR after interferon-ribavirin therapy in patients co-infected with HIV/HCV and with mild Fibrosis reduces liver-related complications and mortality

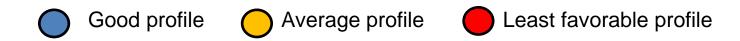
#### What are DAAs?



<sup>\*</sup>Representative list modified from CCO – updated 2016.

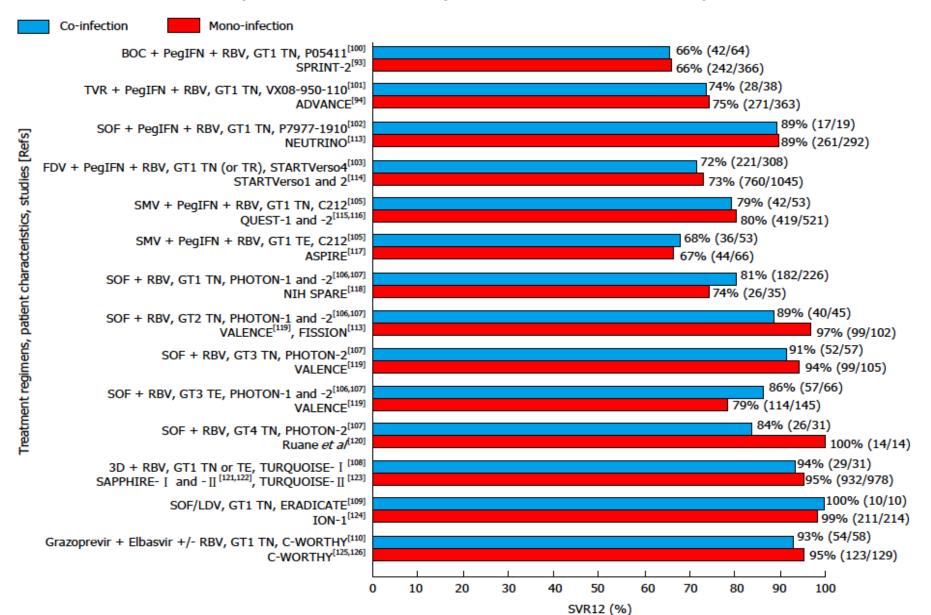
# Not All Direct-Acting Antivirals are Created Equal

Characteristic	Protease Inhibitor*	Protease Inhibitor**	NS5A Inhibitor	Nuc Polymerase Inhibitor	Non-Nuc Polymerase Inhibitor
Resistance profile					
Pangenotypic efficacy					
Antiviral potency					
Adverse events					



<sup>\*</sup>First generation. \*\*Second generation.

#### Do HIV+ respond differently to mono-infected patients?



### DDIs between HCV drugs and HIV

		DCV	LED/ SOF	OBV/ PTV/r	OBV/ PTV/r +DSV	SMV	SOF
Entry/Integrase Inhibitors		<u> </u>					
	Dolutegravir	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Elvitegravir/cobicistat			•	•	•	•
	Maraviroc	•				•	•
	Raltegravir	•	•	•	•	•	•
NNRTIs	Delavirdine		•			•	•
	Efavirenz			•	•	•	•
	Etravirine		•	•	•	•	•
	Nevirapine		•	•	•	•	•
	Rilpivirine	•	•			•	•
NRTIs	Abacavir	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Didanosine	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Emtricitabine	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Lamivudine	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Stavudine	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Tenofovir	•		•	•	•	•
	Zidovudine	•	•	•	•	•	•
Pls	Atazanavir		•			•	•
	Darunavir	•	•			•	•
	Fosamprenavir		•			•	•
	Indinavir		•	•	•	•	•
	Lopinavir	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Nelfinavir	•	•			•	•
	Ritonavir		•	•	•	•	•
	Saquinavir		•	•	•	•	•
	Tipranavir		•	•	•	•	•

#### New online EASL HCV recommendations



Same treatment regimens can be used in HIV/HCV patients as in patients without HIV infection, as the virological results of therapy are identical (A1)

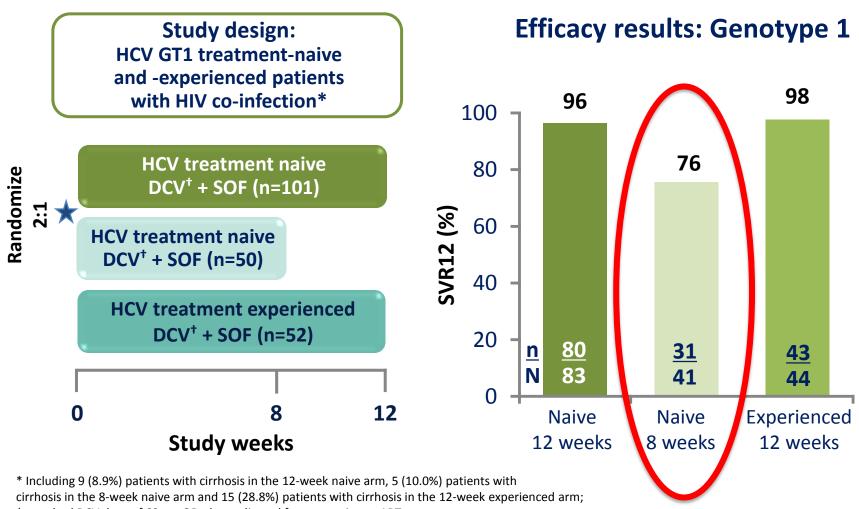
## EACS HCV recommendations – treatment combination options

IFN-free HCV	Treatment Options					
		Treatment duration & ribavirinusage				
нсv gt	Treatmentregimen	Non-cirrhotic	Compensated cirrhotic	Decompensated cirrhotics CTP class B/C		
1 & 4	SOF + SMP + RBV	12 weeks without RBV	12 weeks with RBV or 24 weeks without <sub>RBV</sub> (i)	Not recommended		
	SOF/LDV + RBV	12 weeks without RBV	12 weeks with RBV or 24 weeks without RBV in cirrhotics or pre-/post-			
	SOF + DCV + RBV	12 weeks without RBV	12 weeks with RBV or 24 weeks without RBV in cirrhotics or pre-/post-			
	OBV/PTV/r + DSV	12 weeks in GT 1b	Not Recommended			
	OBV/PTV/r + DSV + RBV	12 weeks in GT 1a	12 weeks in GT 1b 24 weeks in	Not recommended		
	OBV/PTV/r + RBV	12 weeks in GT 4	24 weeks in GT 4	Not recommended		
2	SOF + DCV + RBV	12 weeks without RBV	12 weeks without RBV 12 weeks with			
	SOF + RBV	12 weeks				
3	SOF + PEG-IFN/RBV	Not recommended	12 weeks in persons eligible	Not recommended		
	SOF + RBV	24 weeks	Not recommended			
	SOF + DCV + RBV(III)	12 weeks without RBV	24 weeks with RBV			
5	SOF/LDV	12 weeks without RBV	12 weeks without RBV			
6		data on DAAs in HCV GT 6 be treated similarly to HCV GT 1				

# Are there remaining 'unresolved' issues with HCV?

- Is 'shorter' therapy possible for co-infected patients?
- Are there 'difficult to treat' groups?
  - G3 few options currently, relatively poor responses
- Is it ever 'too late' to treat HCV?
  - ESLD Rx vs. Transplant followed by Rx
- Will TasP be feasible?

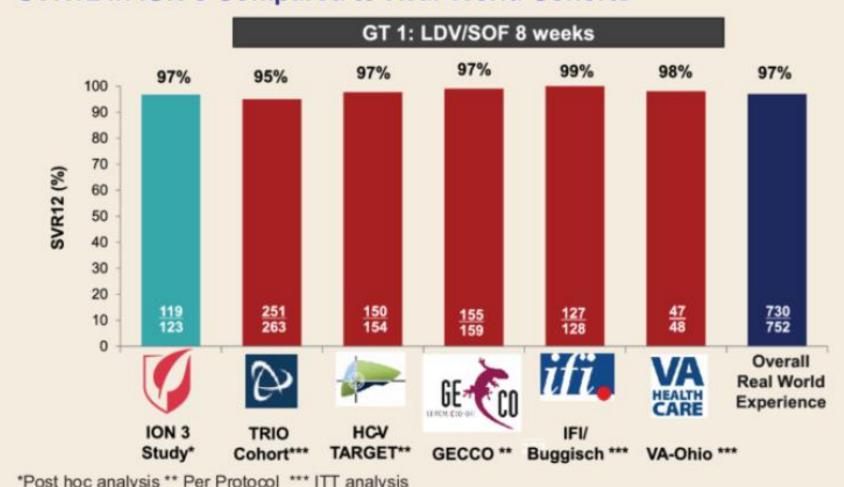
### ALLY-2: DCV + SOF in GT1–6 patients with HIV/HCV co-infection



<sup>†</sup> standard DCV dose of 60 mg QD, dose adjusted for concomitant cART (30 mg with ritonavir-boosted PIs, 90 mg with NNRTIs except rilpivirine). NNRTI = non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor.

#### Real-world data confirm clinical trial results: 8 weeks in GT-1 patients without cirrhosis and VL< 6 millions IU/ml





\*Post hoc analysis \*\* Per Protocol \*\*\* ITT analysis

# HIGH SVR RATES WITH ABT-493 + ABT-530 CO-ADMINISTERED FOR 8 WEEKS IN NON-CIRRHOTIC PATIENTS WITH HCV GENOTYPE 3 INFECTION

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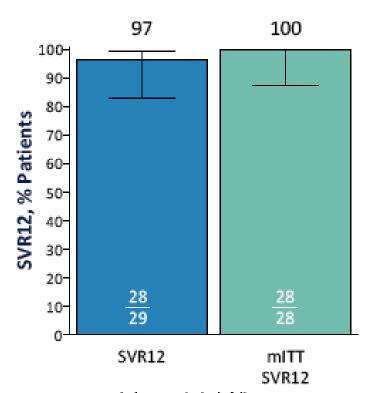
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#### **SVR12** Analysis



mITT SVR12 rate excludes non-virologic failures

No virologic failures

1 patient withdrew consent after treatment week 6 due to intolerance of blood draws and had an undetectable HCV RNA at the time of discontinuation

# The ASTRAL Phase 3 Program (N=1408)

ASTRAL-1 GT 1, 2, 4–6 TN, TE NC, CC

ASTRAL-2 GT 2 TN, TE NC, CC

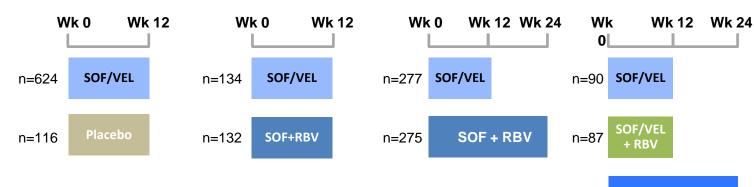
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TN, TE
NC, CC
HIV/HCV Co-Infection

**SOF/VEL** 

Wk 12

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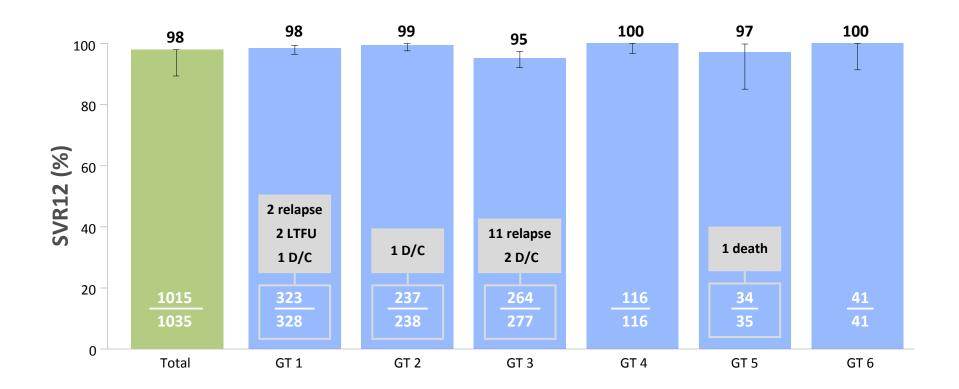




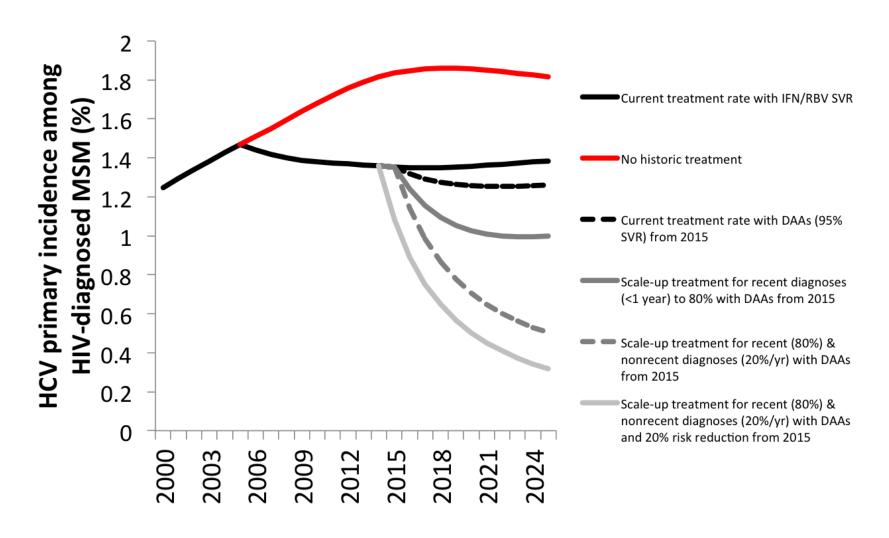
#### Primary endpoints

- SVR12
- Discontinuations due to AEs

### Integrated Efficacy: SVR12



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#### **Conclusions**

- Liver disease is an important cause of morbidity and mortality in HIV+
- Key issues = cART, HBV, HCV and lifestyle
- HBV key issues diagnosis and management
- HCV
  - The era of DAA based therapy has arrived
  - IFN-sparing and IFN-free therapy a reality
  - Responses in HIV+ similar to HIV-
  - Beware DDIs
- Still a 'Special Population' aggressive, multi-system disease, urgent need of Rx
- Need for improved cascade of care and access to Rx