Initial Antiretroviral Therapy









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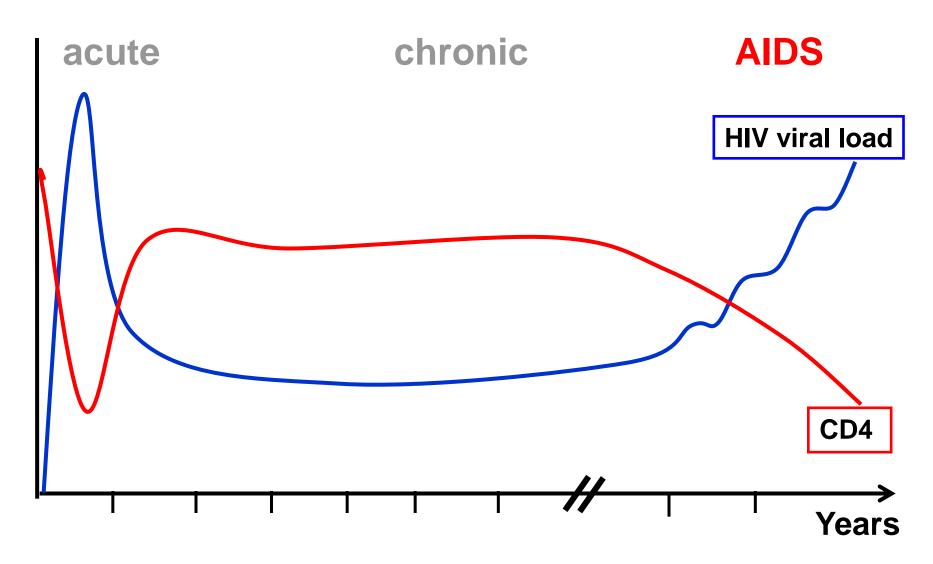




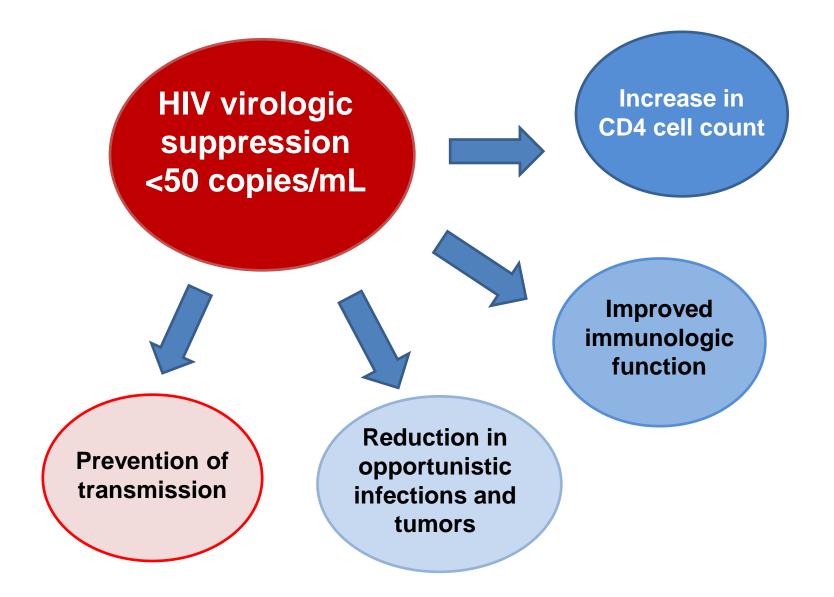
Outline

- Natural history of HIV
- Aims of antiretroviral therapy (cART)
- When to start
- What to start
- Monitoring
- When to change

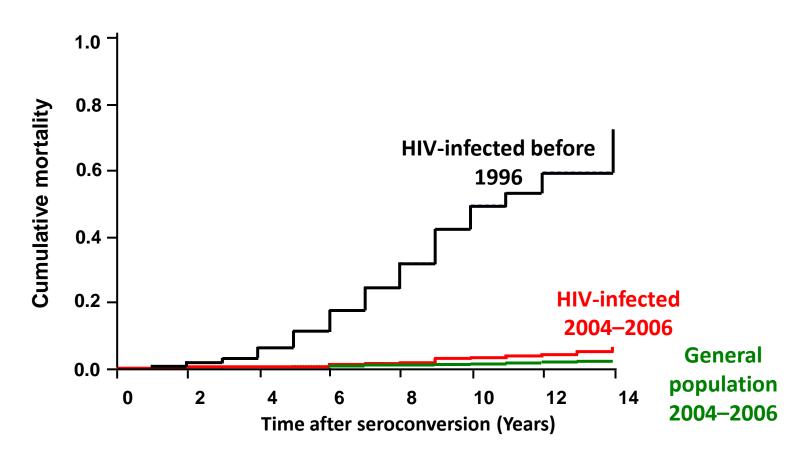
Natural history of HIV



Goals of ART



ART improves life expectancy



Assumptions: Start ART if CD4 cell count <350 cells/µL 90% virologic suppression <50 copies/mL

No difference in mortality HIV vs non-HIV

- 80'642 and 3'280 HIV-infected persons
- No significant difference in mortality in comparison to 'general population', if
 - ART
 - Well controlled virus
 - No illicit drug use
 - No prior AIDS



Implications for care, work, life

Transmission reduction with ART

Myron Cohen et al, New England Journal of Medicine, 2011

Botswana, Brazil, India, Kenya, Malawi, South Africa, Thailand, United States, Zimbabwe

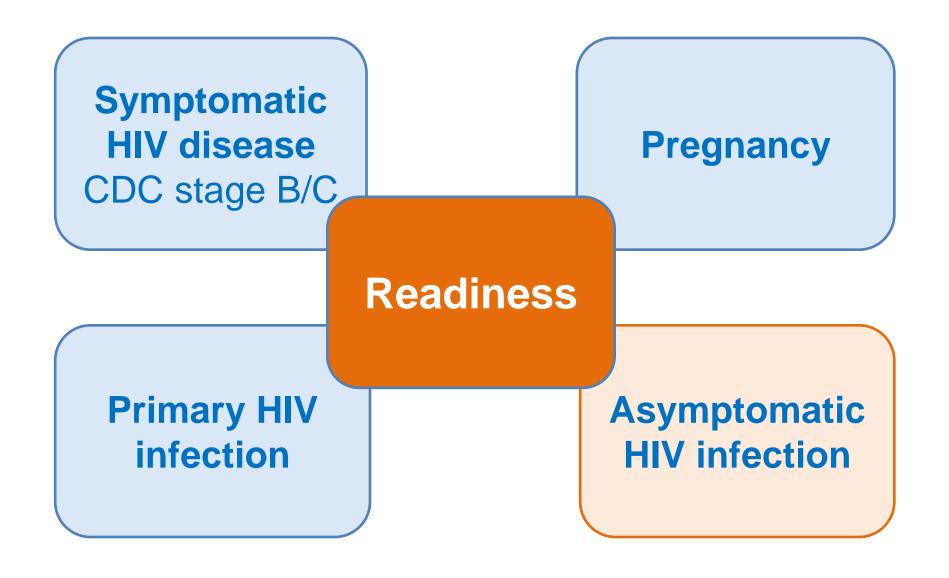
- 1763 discordant couples (HIV+/HIV-)
- Reduction, if early ART 96%!
 - 1 Transmission early ART
 - 27 Transmissions Standard ART





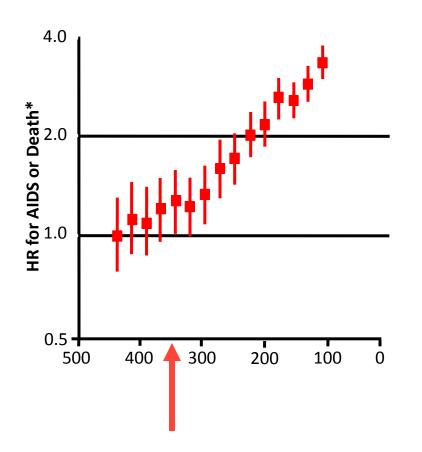
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When to start



ART-CC: Supports Initiating ART at CD4 threshold of 350 cells/mm³

N=24,444 (15 cohorts from US and Europe)



Comparison	HR* (95% CI)
1-100 vs 101-200	3.35 (2.99-3.75)
101-200 vs 201-300	2.21 (1.91-2.56)
201-300 vs 301-400	1.34 (1.12-1.61)
251-350 vs 351-450	1.28 (1.04-1.57)
351-450 vs 451-550	0.99 (0.76-1.29)

^{*}Adjusted for lead-time and unobserved events

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HIV Causal Collaboration ART-naive, CD4>500, no AIDS, N= 20,970

Table 2. Hazard Ratios of All-Cause Mortality or the Combined End Point of AIDS-Defining Illness or Death, for cART Initiation at CD4 Cell Count Thresholds Ranging From 0.200 to 0.500×10^9 cells/L

Outcome and CD4 Persons, n* C	Outcomes, n*	Outcomes, n* Median CD4 Cell Count at cART Initiation,	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)		
Tillesiloid	×10° cells/L†		0.500 Threshold as Reference	0.350 Threshold as Reference	
All-cause mortality					
0.500×10^9 cells/L	8392	65	0.392	1.00 (reference)	0.99 (0.71–1.36)
$0.450 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8281	81	0.358	1.03 (0.92-1.14)	1.01 (0.82–1.26)
$0.400 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8201	89	0.314	1.05 (0.86–1.27)	1.03 (0.91–1.17)
$0.350 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8144	94	0.290	1.01 (0.84-1.22)	1.00 (reference)
$0.300 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8101	97	0.257	1.01 (0.85–1.19)	0.99 (0.78–1.26)
$0.250 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8078	95	0.210	1.09 (0.92-1.29)	1.07 (0.86–1.34)
$0.200 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8066	99	0.167	1.20 (0.97–1.48)	1.18 (0.95–1.46)
AIDS-defining illness or death					
$0.500 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8392	158	0.391	1.00 (reference)	0.72 (0.59–0.88)
$0.450 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8281	209	0.358	1.14 (1.07–1.22)	0.83 (0.72–0.95)
$0.400 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8201	256	0.316	1.29 (1.15–1.46)	0.94 (0.86–1.01)
$0.350 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8144	296	0.291	1.38 (1.23–1.56)	1.00 (reference)
$0.300 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8101	317	0.257	1.48 (1.33–1.64)	1.07 (0.92-1.24)
$0.250 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8078	329	0.210	1.67 (1.50–1.85)	1.20 (1.05–1.38)
$0.200 imes 10^9$ cells/L	8066	330	0.168	1.90 (1.67–2.15)	1.37 (1.20–1.57)

cART = combined antiretroviral therapy.

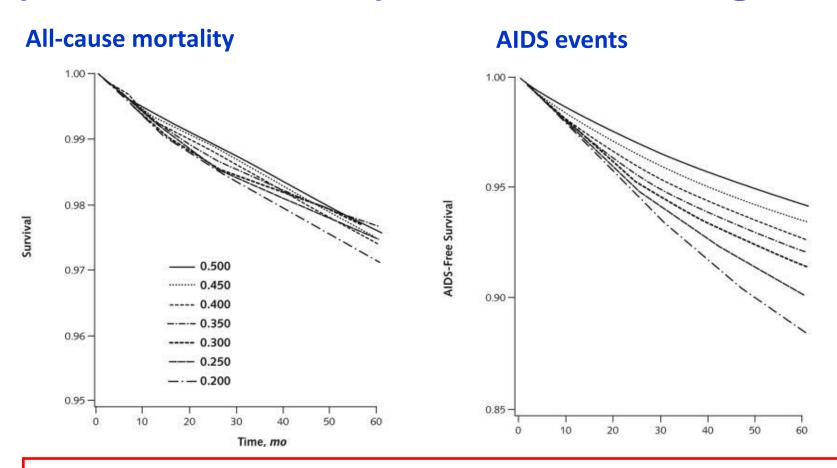
[†] Among persons who initiate cART without being censored.



No changes in mortality but in AIDS-defining events with starting ART at increasing CD4 (>450 cells/µl)

^{*} Each person's data may be consistent with several CD4 thresholds.

5-year outcome by CD4 at starting ART



Delaying ART initiation until CD4<350 is estimated to result in a 38% increase of AIDS-events or death compared with starting ART at CD4 of 500, i.e. **48 pts need to initiate ART at CD4 500 to prevent 1 AIDS/death**

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Condition		Current CD4+ lymphocyte count (ii,iii)	
	350-500	> 500	
Asymptomatic HIV infection	С	D	
Symptomatic HIV disease (CDC B or C conditions) incl. tuberculosis	R	R	
Primary HIV infection	С	С	
Pregnancy (before third trimester)	R	R	
Conditions (likely or possibly) associated with HIV, other than CDC stage B or C disease:			
HIV-associated kidney disease	R	R	
HIV-associated neurocognitive impairment	R	R	
Hodgkin's lymphoma	R	R	
HPV-associated cancers	R	R	
Other non-AIDS-defining cancers requiring chemo- and/or radiotherapy	С	С	
Autoimmune disease – otherwise unexplained	С	С	
High risk for CVD (> 20 % estimated 10-yr risk) or history of CVD	С	С	
Chronic viral hepatitis			
HBV requiring anti-HBV treatment	R	R	
HBV not requiring anti-HBV treatment	C/R (iv)	D	
HCV for which anti-HCV treatment is being considered or given	R (v)	D (vi)	
HCV for which anti-HCV treatment not feasible	R	С	

When to Start Therapy: Balance Now Favors Earlier Antiretroviral Therapy

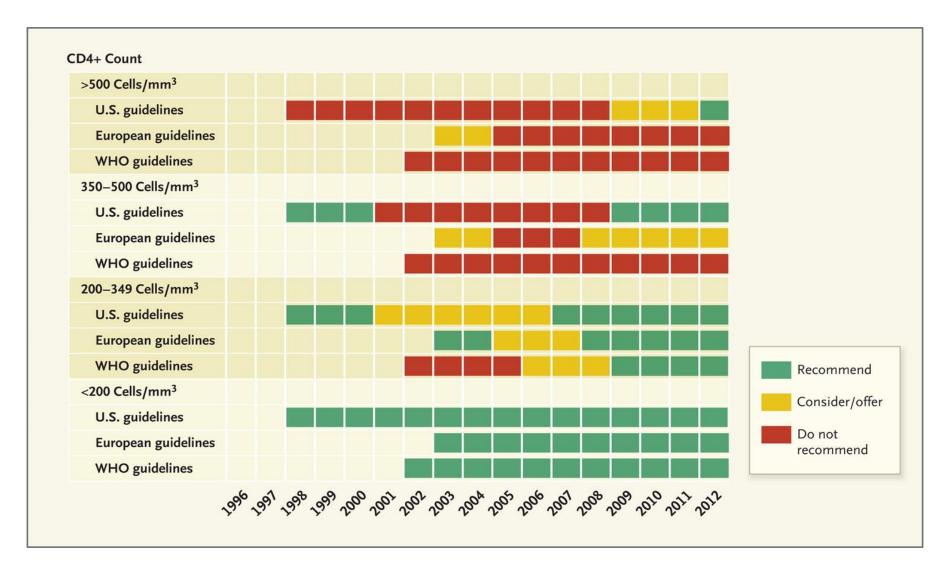
- Drug toxicity
- Preservation of limited Rx options
- Risk of resistance (and transmission of resistant virus)

- † potency, durability, simplicity, safety of current regimens
- ↓ emergence of resistance
- ↓ toxicity with earlier therapy
- ↑ subsequent treatment options
- Risk of uncontrolled viremia
- Near normal survival if start earlier
- ↓ transmission

Delayed ART

Early ART

ART Guidelines





WHO-2013: Changes in Recommendations

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When to Start in Adults

TARGET POPULATION (ARV-NAIVE)	2010 ART GUIDELINES	2013 ART GUIDELINES	STRENGTH OF RECOMMENDATION & QUALITY OF EVIDENCE
HIV+ ASYMPTOMATIC	CD4 ≤350 cells/mm³	CD4 ≤500 cells/mm³ (CD4 ≤ 350 cells/mm³ as a priority)	Strong, moderate NEW quality evidence
HIV+ SYMPTOMATIC	WHO clinical stage 3 or 4 regardless of CD4 cell count	No change	Strong, moderate- quality evidence
PREGNANT AND BREASTFEEDING WOMEN WITH HIV	CD4 ≤350 cells/mm³ or WHO clinical stage 3 or 4	Regardless of CD4 cell count or WHO clinical stage	Strong, moderate quality evidence
HIV/TB CO- INFECTION	Presence of active TB disease, regardless of CD4 cell count	No change	Strong, low-quality evidence
HIV/HBV CO- INFECTION	Evidence of chronic active HBV disease, regardless of CD4 cell count	Evidence of severe chronic HBV liver disease, regardless of CD4 cell count	Strong, low-quality evidence
HIV+ PARTNERS IN SD COUPLE	No recommendation established	Regardless of CD4 cell count or WHO clinical stage	Strong, high-quality evidence



WHO-2013: Recommendations: CD4 Independent Conditions

INITIATE ART REG	RECOMMENDATION	
	and active TB disease	Strong, low-quality evidence
ADULTS WITHand HBV co-infection with severe liver disease		Strong, low-quality evidence
	who are pregnant or breastfeeding	Strong, moderate- quality of evidence
	in a HIV serodiscordant partnership	Strong, high-quality evidence
CHILDREN < 5 YEARS OLD WITH	Infants diagnosed in the first year of life	Strong, moderate- quality of evidence
HIV	Children infected with HIV between one and below five years of age	Conditional, very-lov



Is the patient ready for ART?

«I would like to talk about HIV medication»

Please wait ...

«What do you think about it?»

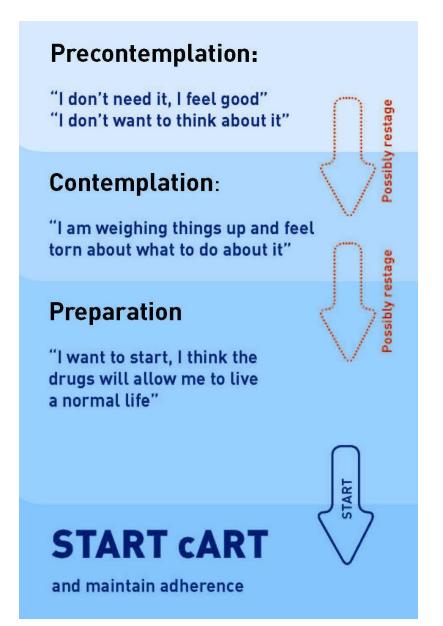
Patient factors: Depression

Drug, alcohol addiction Cognitive problems Low health literacy

System factors: Health insurance

Continuity of drug supply

Low social support



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Assessing HIV-positive Persons

Readiness to Start and Maintain ART

Goal: to help patients start and/or maintain ART

Successful ART requires a person's readiness to start and adhere to the regimen over time. The trajectory from problem awareness to maintenance on ART can be divided into five stages. Knowing a person's stage, health care providers use appropriate techniques to assist them to start and maintain ART.

Identify the person to start's stage of readiness using WEMS⁽ⁱ⁾ techniques, and start discussion with an open question/invitation:

"I would like to talk about HIV medication." <wait> "What do you think about it?"

Based on the person's response, identify his/her stage of readiness and intervene accordingly(iii)

Stages of readiness to start ART Precontemplation:

"I don't need it, I feel good."
"I don't want to think about it."

Contemplation:

"I am weighing things up and feel torn about what to do about it."

Preparation:

"I want to start, I think the drugs will allow me to live a normal life."

START ART

Support: Show respect for the person's attitude. / Try to understand the patient's health and therapy beliefs. / Establish trust. / Provide concise, individualized information. / Schedule next appointment.

Support: Allow ambivalence. / Support the person in weighing pros and cons. / Assess the patient's information needs and support his/her information seeking. / Schedule the next appointment.

Support: Reinforce the person's decision. / Decide with the person which is the most convenient regimen. / Educate the person on adherence, resistance, side effects. / Discuss integration into daily life. / Respect the person's self assessment. Ask: How confident are you that you can take your medication as we discussed (specify) once you have started? Use VAS 1-10(iii)

Consider skills training:

- · Medication-taking training, possibly MEMS
- · Directly observed therapy with educational support
- · Use aids: mobile phone alarm, pillboxes
- Involve supportive tools/persons where appropriate

'Final check': With a treatment plan established, is the patient capable of taking ART?

Maintenance:

"I will start now."

Action:

"I will continue" or "I have difficulties continuing over the long run"

Caveat: A patient can relapse to an earlier stage, even from "maintenance" to "precontemplation"

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Assess: Adherence every 3-6 months(iv)

Evaluate adherence:

For persons with good adherence: show respect for their success.

Assess: The person's own perception of ability to adhere to, and continue, treatment.

Ask: In the next 3-6 months, how confident are you that you can take your medication? Use VAS 1-10(iii)

For a person without sufficient adherence: use mirroring techniques^(v) on problems, ask open questions to identify dysfunctional beliefs.

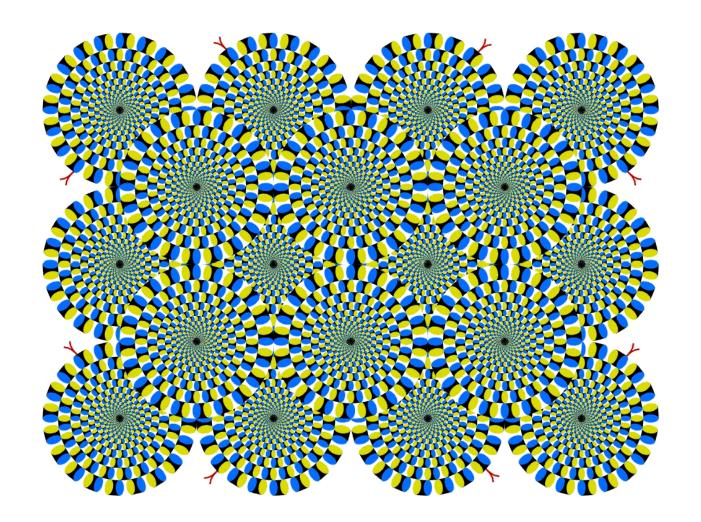
Assess: Stage of readiness and provide stage-based support

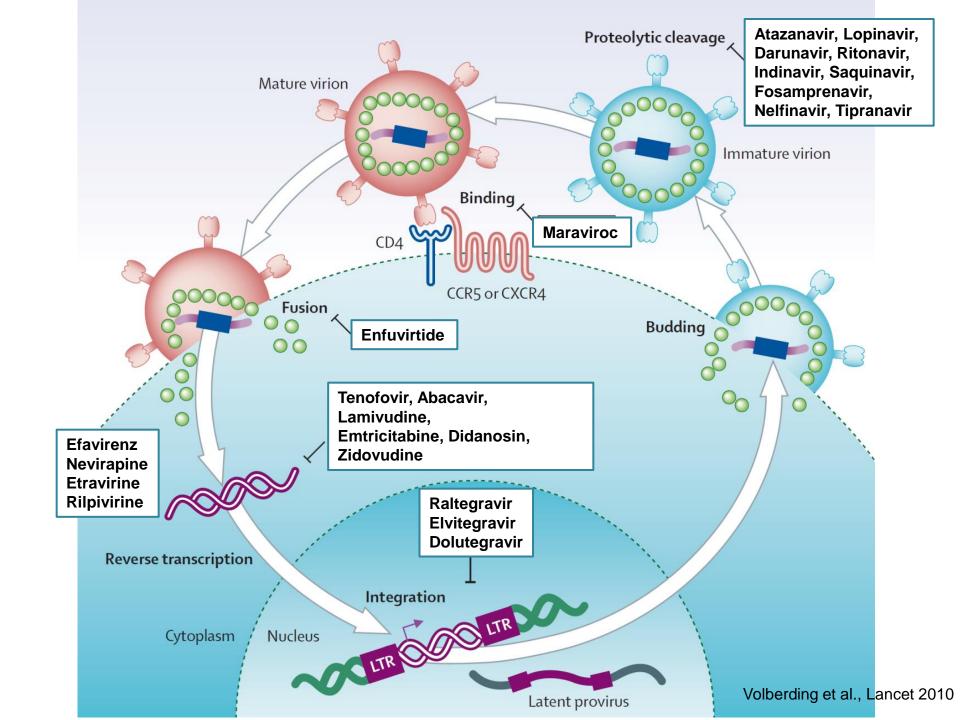
Assess: Barriers and facilitators(vi)

Schedule next appointment and repeat support

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Perception v Reality





What to start in 2013

6 drug classes

NRTIs

- Abacavir
- Didanosine
- Emtricitabine
- Lamivudine
- Stavudine
- Tenofovir
- Zidovudine

NNRTIs

- Efavirenz
- Nevirapine
- Etravirine
- Rilpivirine

Protease Inhibitors

- Atazanavir
- Darunavir
- Fos-Amprenavir
- Indinavir
- Lopinavir
- Nelfinavir
- Ritonavir
- Saquinavir
- Tipranavir

New Classes

Fusion Inhibitors

Enfuvirtide

R5 Inhibitors

Maraviroc

Integrase Inhibitors

- Raltegravir
- Elvitegravir

How to start

NNRTI

NRTI

Abacavir (ABC)
Didanosin (DDI)
Emtricitabin (FTC)
Lamivudin (3TC)
Stavudin (D4T)
Tenofovir (TDF)
Zidovudin (ZDV)
TDF/FTC (Truvada®)
ABC/3TC (Kivexa®)
ZDV/3TC (Combivir®)

Efavirenz (EFV)
Nevirapin (NVP)
Etravirin (ETV)
Rilpivirin (RPV)

2 NRTI + 1 PI

2 NRTI + 1 Int-Inh

PI

Amprenavir (APV)
Atazanavir (ATV)
Indinavir (IDV)
Lopinavir/r (LPV)
Saquinavir (SQV)
Ritonavir (RTV)
Nelfinavir (NFV)
Tipranavir (TPV)
Darunavir (DRV)

Integrase Inh.

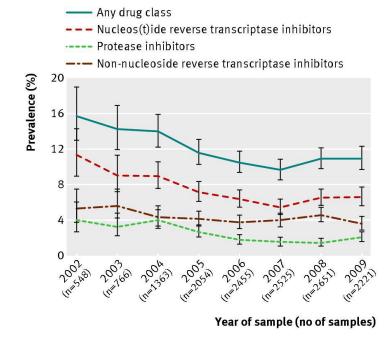
Raltegravir (RGV)
Elvitegravir (EVG)
Dolutegravir (DGV)

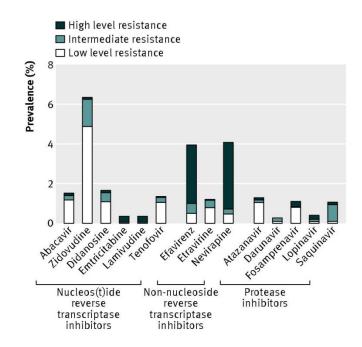
Considerations When Selecting First-line Antiretroviral Therapy

Patient Factors	Antiretroviral Drug Factors
Baseline CD4+ cell count/ HIV-1 RNA	■ Efficacy
■ Age	 Baseline drug susceptibility/resistance
■ Sex	Tolerability
Occupation (eg, work schedule)	Long-term toxicity, metabolic effects
Comorbid conditions (eg, CV risk)	Drug interactions
Plans for pregnancy	Dosing frequency
Access to care	■ Pill burden
 Concurrent medications 	Pharmacokinetics
Adherence to other medications	■ Cost
■ Genetics: HLA-B*5701, CV risk	■ Tropism

Transmission of HIV resistance

	NRTI	NNRTI	PI	II	Total
US, 2007-10 N=18'144	6.7	8.1	4.5	n.a.	16.2 13.6 single
Spain, 2007-10 1'864	3.9	3.9	2.3	n.a.	8.6
UK, 2007-09 14'584	6.6	3.6	2.1	n.a.	10.9 10.3 single





Kim D, et al, CROI, 2013; Monge S, et al, CMI, 2012, UK Collaborative Group on HIV Drug Resistance, BMJ, 2012;

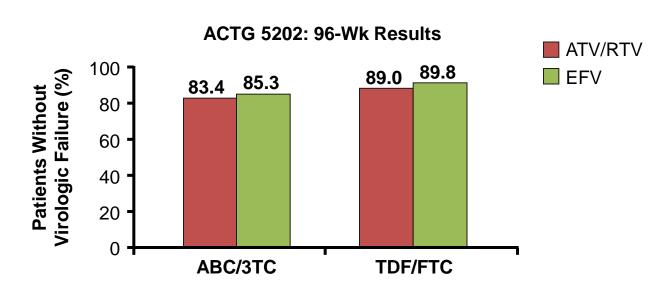
Trade-Offs: Efavirenz-Based ART

Advantages

- Long history of use; much clinical trial data
- Current gold standard for first-line therapy
- As effective or more effective than other regimens in head-to-head comparisons
- 1 pill QD coformulation of EFV/TDF/FTC
- Long half-life
- Appropriate for pts receiving tx for TB

Disadvantages

- Low genetic barrier to resistance—single mutation
- Higher risk of NRTI resistance with NNRTI failure (compared with boosted PIs)
- CNS adverse effects
- Teratogenicity (?)
- Potential drug interactions (CYP450)



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Trade-Offs: Rilpivirine

Advantages

- Better tolerated than EFV (fewer CNS effects, rash)
- Fewer lipid effects than EFV
- Coformulation with TDF/FTC

As switch agent

- PK data suggest switch from EFV possible if made after virologic suppression
- RPV/TDF/FTC coformulated so switch can be from one single-tablet regimen to another

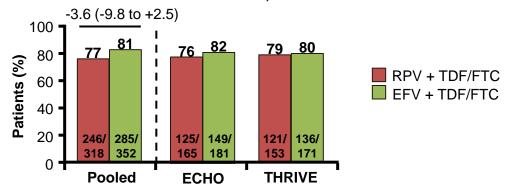
Disadvantages

- May be less effective at high VL
- Less forgiving of nonadherence
- More resistance (NNRTI and NRTI) than EFV at failure, including ETR crossresistance
- Must be taken with 500-cal food
- Cannot use with PPI, caution with H2 blockers

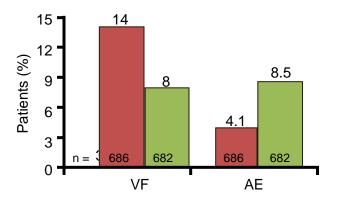
As switch agent

 To date, only supported by small, noncomparative study

HIV-1 RNA < 50 copies/mL at Wk 48 Among Pts With BL HIV-1 RNA > 100,000 c/mL



Tx Failure in ECHO and THRIVE



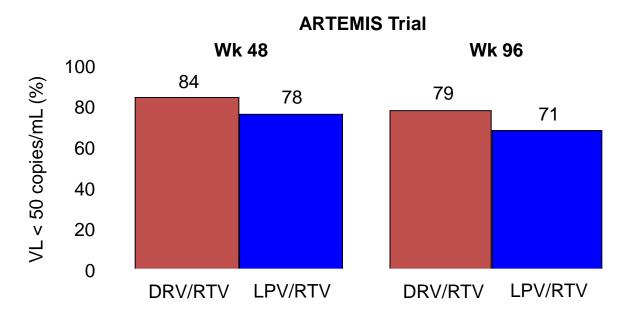
Trade-Offs: Darunavir/Ritonavir

Advantages

- Favorable lipid profile
- Low risk of resistance at failure
- Relatively low pill burden
- Daily dose requires only RTV 100 mg/day

Disadvantages

- Rash in ~ 6% of pts; use with caution in pts with sulfa allergy
- No coformulations with other classes
- Not compared head to head with any of the other recommended agents



Trade-Offs: Atazanavir/Ritonavir

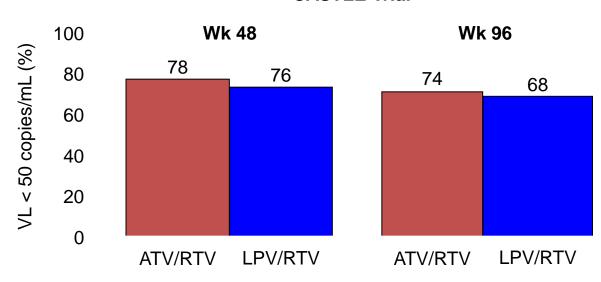
Advantages

- Efficacy comparable to EFV at Wk 96
- Favorable lipid profile
- Low risk of resistance at failure
- Low pill burden (2/day)
- Daily dose requires only RTV 100 mg/day

Disadvantages

- Absorption impaired with acid-reducing agents
- Associated w/rise in unconjugated bilirubin and scleral icterus in 4% to 9% of pts
- Food requirement for dosing
- No coformulations with other classes

CASTLE Trial



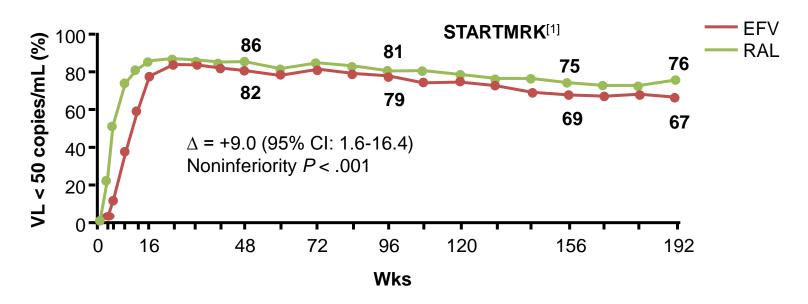
Trade-Offs: Raltegravir-Based ART

Advantages

- 5-yr efficacy comparable to efavirenz regardless of baseline VL or CD4+ count
- Very Few adverse events
- Few drug-drug interactions
- Neutral effect on lipids
- Greater CD4+ increase than with EFV

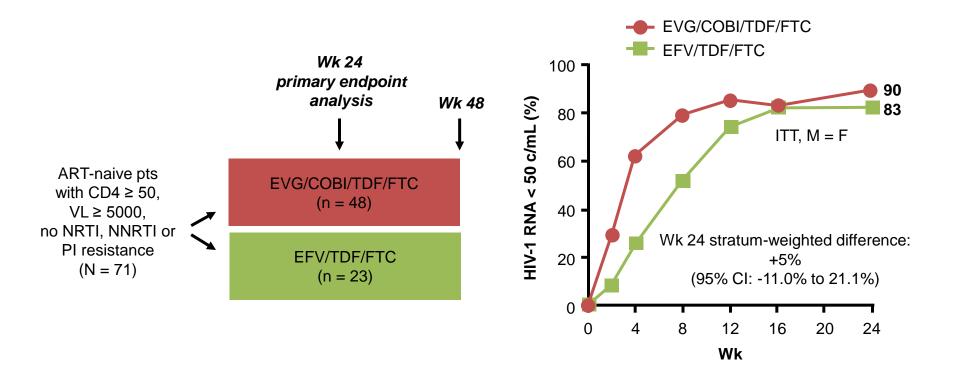
Disadvantages

- Twice-daily administration
- Low genetic barrier to resistance
- Risk of NRTI resistance with failure
- No coformulations with other classes
- Potential for skin reactions
- Little data with other NRTIs than TDF/FTC



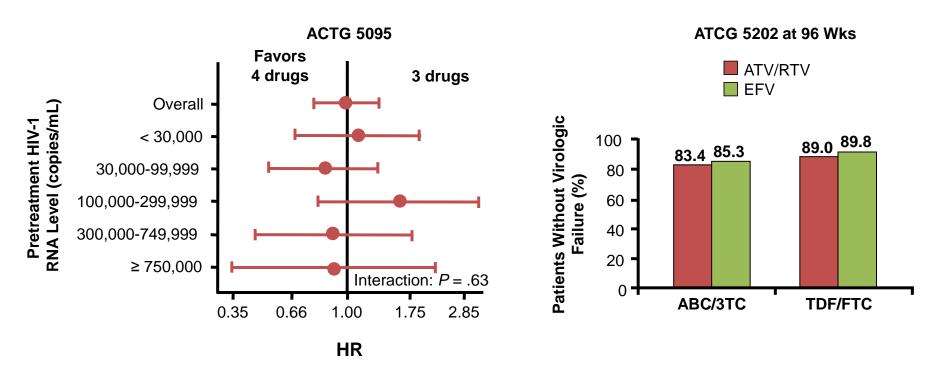
"Quad": Cobicistat-Boosted EVG + TDF/FTC vs EFV/TDF/FTC in Naive Pts

- Cobicistat (GS-9350, COBI): CYP3A inhibitor (boosting agent)
- Elvitegravir (EVG): integrase inhibitor



Patients With High HIV-1 RNA

Regimen/Trial	Efficacy at HIV-1 RNA > 100,000 copies/mL
EFV + NRTIs	 ACTG 5095: EFV similarly effective at all HIV-1 RNA strata
ATV/RTV + TDF/FTC	 CASTLE: Similar to LPV/RTV at 48 and 96 wks ACTG 5202: Similar to EFV at 48 or 96 wks
DRV/RTV + TDF/FTC	ARTEMIS: Superior to LPV/RTV at 48 and 96 wks
RAL + TDF/FTC	STARTMRK: Similar to EFV through 192 wks



ART and Effects on Lipids

- RAL appears to be neutral with respect to lipid changes^[1]
- EFV associated with greater lipid change than RAL in STARTMRK^[1]
- EFV associated with greater cholesterol changes than ATV/RTV in ACTG 5202^[2]
- Both ATV/RTV and DRV/RTV associated with lesser lipid change than LPV/RTV^[3,4]

ART and Renal Function

- TDF may be associated with declining renal function over time in some patients^[1]
- Some studies suggest greater decline in renal function with TDF + boosted PIs vs TDF + NNRTIs^[2,3]
- Cumulative exposure to ATV/RTV associated with increased risk of chronic kidney disease in cohort study; risk reversed upon stopping^[4]
- In clinical studies of RAL, no clinically important PK differences have been observed between subjects with severe renal impairment and healthy subjects^[5]

^{1.} Tenofovir [package insert]. September 2011. 2. Morlat P, et al. IAS 2011. Abstract WEPDB0104.

^{3.} Gallant JE, et al. AIDS. 2009;23:1971-1975. 4. Mocroft A, et al. AIDS. 2010;24:1667-1678.

^{5.} Raltegravir [package insert]. November 2011.

Comorbidities

 Cardiovascular disease 	Avoid abacavir (?), lopinavir/r, fos- Amp
 Hepatitis B 	Prefer TDF-FTC, 3TC
 Renal disease 	Avoid tenofovir, PI
 Tuberculosis 	Prefer efavirenz, raltegravir
 Gastroesofageal reflux 	Avoid atazanavir, rilpivirin
 Depression 	Avoid efavirenz
 Drug addiction 	Avoid NNRTI

Dosing Comparisons

Regimen/Trial	Dosing	Food requirements
EFV/TDF/FTC	1 pill once daily	Empty stomach (recommended dosing at bedtime)
ATV/RTV + TDF/FTC	3 pills once daily	Must be taken with food
DRV/RTV + TDF/FTC	4 pills once daily	Must be taken with food
RAL + TDF/FTC	3 pills divided across2 daily doses	With or without food

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Convenience

- Once-daily versus twice-daily
- One pill: TDF-FTC-EFV (Atripla®);

TDF-FTC-RPV (Eviplera®, Complera®);

TDF-

FTC-EVG-COB (Stribild®)

- To take with food: rilpivirin, elvitegravir, atazanavir, darunavir, saquinavir
- To take before sleeping: efavirenz
- Sirup or soluble tablets available

Which Patient for Which Regimen?

Regimen	More Favorable for Patients With:	Less Favorable for Patients With:
NNRTI based	 Wants maximum simplicity (1 pill per day) Concerns about renal function 	 Concerns about adherence A job that requires concentration (EFV) Planning pregnancy or early pregnancy (EVF) Taking other drugs metabolized by CYP 3A6
PI based	 Concerns about irregular adherence Prefers not to deal with CNS adverse effects Might become pregnant Prefers once-daily dosing 	 Hyperlipidemia at BL Concerns about renal function Taking other drugs metabolized by CYP system Might have an issue with potential for jaundice or scleral icterus (ATV) Diabetes
II based	 Prefers not to deal with adverse effects associated with other regimens Needs concomitant drugs with interactions with other ARVs Concerns about CV risk Doesn't mind twice daily dosing (RAL) Wants maximum simplicity (1 pill per day) (Elvitegravir) 	 Concerns about second daily dose (RAL) Concerns about adherence Concerns about cost of medicines

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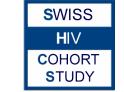
Which Patient for Which Regimen?

Agent	More Favorable for Patients With:	Less Favorable for Patients With:
ABC/3TC	 Concerns about renal function Baseline VL < 100,000 copies/mL 	 Higher baseline VL Moderate or higher CV risk Contraindicated in pts with positive HLA B5701
RPV	 Doesn't want to deal with CNS adverse effects Concerns about lipids Baseline VL < 100,000 copies/mL 	 Concerns about irregular adherence GI issues Higher baseline VL
MVC	 Concerns about CV risk Concerns about irregular adherence Effective in pts with high BL VL 	 Concerns about second daily dose Cannot afford tropism testing Takes many other drugs
LPV/RTV	 Might become pregnant Effective in pts with high BL VL 	 CV risk or hyperlipidemia Decreased renal function GI tolerability issues (nausea and diarrhea)
NVP	 Might become pregnant Needs very tolerable agent Effective in pts with high BL VL 	 High baselineCD4+ cell count HBV or HBV coinfection

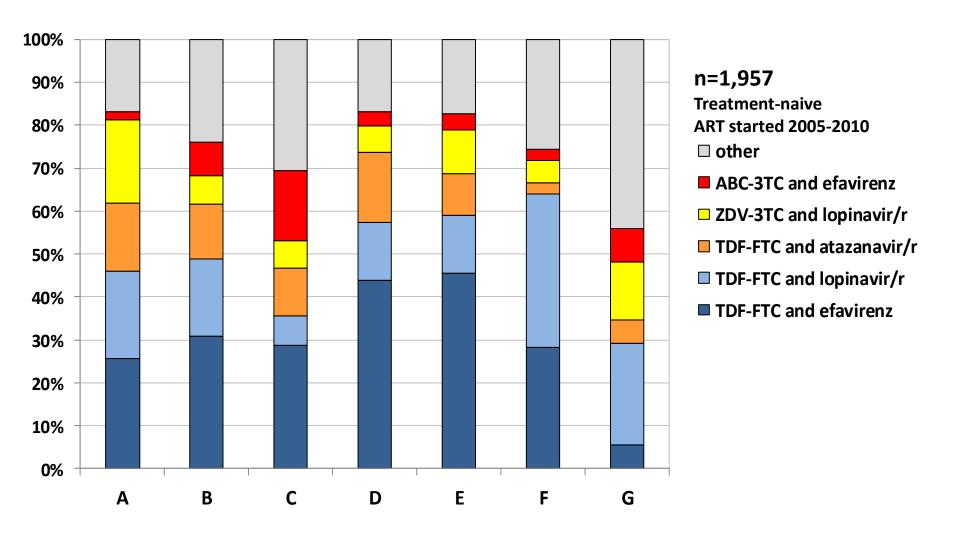




Α	В
NNRTI	NRTI
• EFV (i) • RPV (ii)	ABC/3TC (vii) or TDF/FTC
• NVP (iii)	TDF/FTC
Ritonavir-boosted PI	
• ATV/r (iv) • DRV/r (iv) • LPV/r (v)	ABC/3TC (vii) or TDF/FTC
ITI	
• RAL	TDF/FTC



ART according to study sites



Different treatment are very efficent in the 'real world'

Variable	TDF-FTC efavirenz	TDF-FTC lopinavir/r	TDF-FTC atazanavir/r	ZDV-3TC lopinavir/r	ABC-3TC efavirenz	Other	p-value
HIV-RNA <50 copies/ml	92%	85%	86%	83%	90%	85%	0.003
Increase in CD4 cells	158 (84-240)	177 (97-284)	168 (96-279)	209 (107-326)	173 (96-257)	181 (83-270)	<0.001
Switch of cART	22%	40%	21%	50%	20%	36%	<0.001

Individualisation

Gender, Drug use, Hepatitis, CVD, high VL

COHORT

Drug specific toxicity

Class	Substance	Name	Toxicity
NRTI	Abacavir	Ziagen, (Kivexa)	Hypersensitivity
	Lamivudine	3TC (Combivir, Kivexa)	Nausea, headache
	Didanosin	Videx	Pancreatitis, diarrhea
	Stavudine	Zerit	Polyneuropathy, lipodystrophy
	Zidovudin	Retrovir, (Combivir)	Nausea, anemia
	Tenofovir	Viread, (Truvada)	Tubular damage
	Emtricitabin	Emtriva, (Truvada)	Nausea, headache
NNRTI	Efavirenz	Stocrin	CNS, rash
	Etravirine	Intelence	Rash
	Nevirapine	Viramune	Hypersensitivity, hepatitis
PI	Atazanavir	Reyataz	Bilirubinemia (indirect)
	Lopinavir/r	Kaletra	Diarrhea, hyperlipidemia
	Darunavir	Prezista	Hepatitis, hyperlipidemia
II	Raltegravir	Isentress	Nausea, headache

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Safety and tolerability of current antiretroviral regimens in RCTs

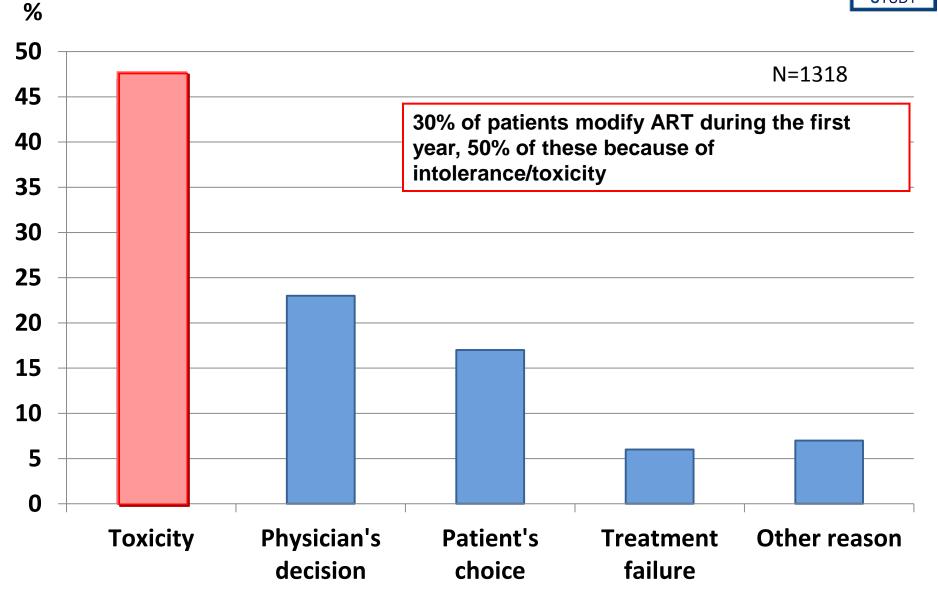
Study	Length	Drug regimen	Discontinuations Due to AEs,* %
Al424-089 ^[1]	96 weeks	ATV + d4T + 3TC ATV/RTV + d4T + 3TC	3 8
GS934 ^[2]	48 weeks	EFV + TDF + FTC EFV + ZDV/3TC	5 11
KLEAN ^[3]	48 weeks	FPV/RTV + ABC/3TC LPV/RTV + ABC/3TC	12 10
ARTEMIS ^[4]	48 weeks	DRV/RTV + TDF/FTC LPV/RTV + TDF/FTC	3 7
CASTLE ^[5]	48 weeks	ATV/RTV + TDF/FTC LPV/RTV + TDF/FTC	2 3
HEAT ^[6]	48 weeks	ABC/3TC + LPV/RTV TDF/FTC + LPV/RTV	4 6
GEMINI ^[7]	48 weeks	SQV/RTV + TDF/FTC LPV/RTV + TDF/FTC	4 7

Monitoring

- Side effects
 - Tolerability
 - Toxicity
- Viral load after 1 month, 3 and 6 months
- CD4 measuring frequency depending on starting point: more frequently if below 200, otherwise same as for VL
- VL failure: <50 copies/mL after 6 months on ART

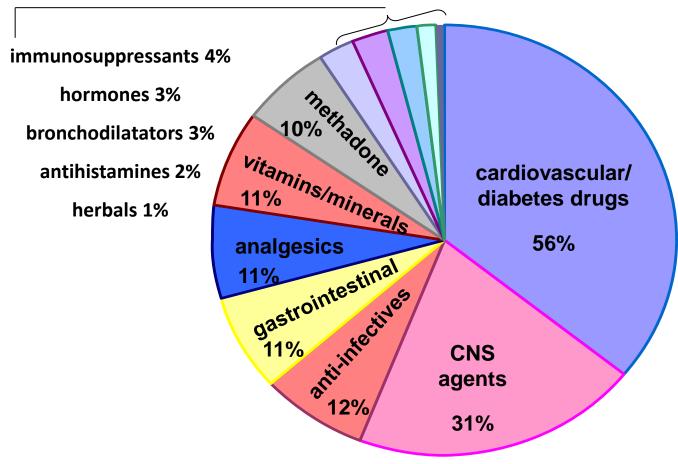
Main reason for ART modification





Co-medication in the SHCS





Interactions more frequent >50 y

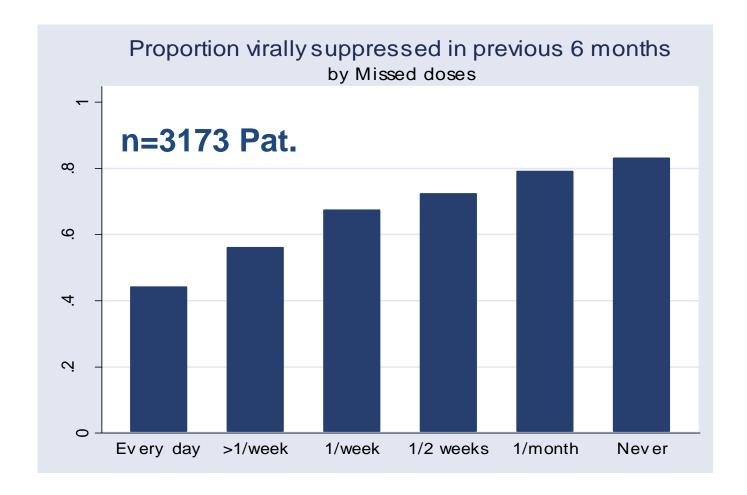
- 1497 patients
- 68% with ≥ 1 co-medication
- 40% ≥ 1 drug-drug interaction

Drug-drug interactions



Adherence





Suboptimal adherence leads to virologic failure and HIV progression

When to change

- Virologic failure
 - Non adherence
 - Drug-drug interactions
 - Intercurrent infections
- Intolerance, toxicity
- Convenience (simplification)

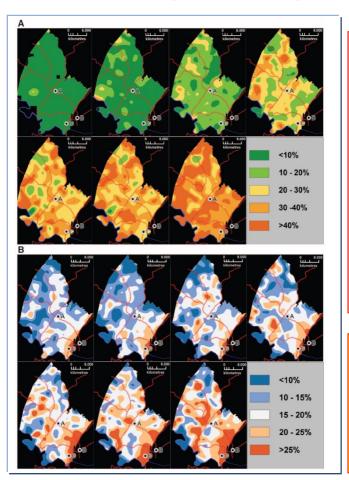




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A: ART coverage B: HIV prevalence

ART coverage = proportion of the total HIV-infected population receiving ART at <200 – 350 CD4 cells

Population: approx. 60'000 persons

16'667 patients, each geolocated, 3 km

HIV-uninfected individual in community with high ART coverage (30 to 40%) 38% less likely to acquire HIV than someone living in community with low ART coverage (<10%)

Retention in ART programmes

