

# New perspectives of HIV treatment

## 治療愛滋病毒感染的新一觀點



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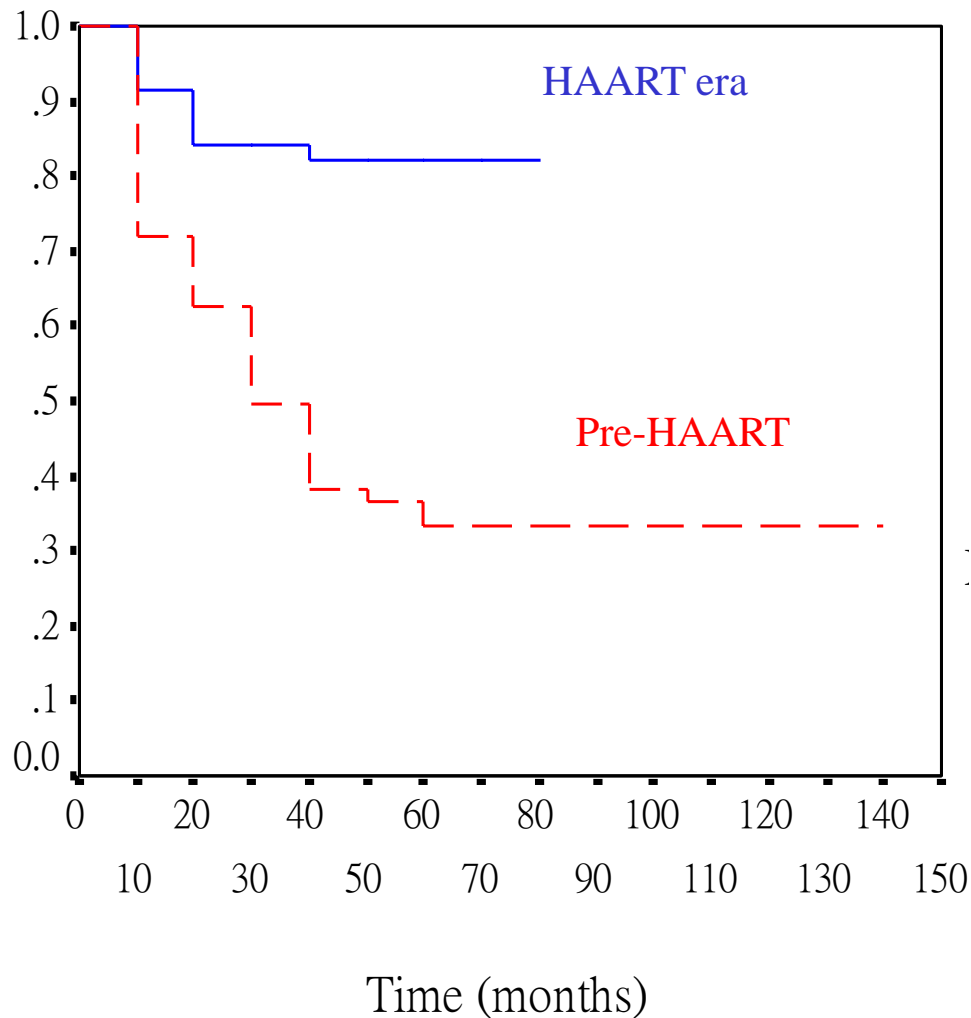


**Timothy Brown, also known as “The Berlin Patient,” is thought to be the only individual functionally cured of HIV**



<http://defeathiv.org/berlin/>

**HIV cure is *theoretically* possible but not yet a practicable strategy in the near future. In the meantime, treatment outcomes have progressively improved at individual level with positive implications for the population**








**Survival of HIV+ Chinese patients before and after HAART (highly active antiretroviral therapy)**


### Nucleoside/Nucleotide Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTIs)

-  **Combivir\*** (zidovudine + lamivudine, AZT + 3TC)
-  **Emtriva** (emtricitabine, FTC)
-  **Epivir\*** (lamivudine, 3TC)
-  **Epzicom** (Kivexa, abacavir + lamivudine, ABC + 3TC)
-  **Retrovir\*** (zidovudine, AZT, ZDV)
-  **Trizivir** (abacavir + zidovudine + lamivudine, ABC + AZT + 3TC)
-  **Truvada** (tenofovir DF + emtricitabine, TDF + FTC)
-  **Videx EC\*** & **Videx\*** (didanosine, ddl)
-  **Viread** (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate, TDF)
-  **Zerit\*** (stavudine, d4T)
-  **Ziagen\*** (abacavir, ABC)
- Amdoxovir** (AMDX, DAPD)
- Tenofovir alafenamide fumarate (TAF)**

### Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NNRTIs)

-  **Edurant** (rilpivirine, RPV, TMC-278)
-  **Intence** (etravirine, ETR, TMC-125)
-  **Rescriptor** (delavirdine, DLV)
-  **Sustiva** (Stocrin, efavirenz, EFV)
-  **Viramune\*** and **Viramune XR** (nevirapine, NVP)
- Lersivirine** (UK-453061)



### Pharmacokinetic Enhancers

-  **Norvir** (ritonavir, RTV)
- Tyboost** (cobicistat, GS-9350)



### Protease Inhibitors (PIs)

-  **Aptivus** (tipranavir, TPV)
-  **Crixivan** (indinavir, IDV)
-  **Invirase** (saquinavir, SQV)
-  **Kaletra** (Aluvia, lopinavir/ritonavir, LPV/r)
-  **Lexiva** (Telzir, fosamprenavir, FPV)
-  **Norvir** (ritonavir, RTV)
-  **Prezista** (darunavir, DRV)
-  **Reyataz** (atazanavir, ATV)
-  **Viracept** (nelfinavir, NFV)
- Prezcobix** (Rezolsta, darunavir/cobicistat)
- Atazanavir + Cobicistat**

### Entry Inhibitors (including Fusion Inhibitors)

-  **Fuzeon** (enfuvirtide, ENF, T-20)
-  **Selzentry** (Celsentri, maraviroc, UK-427,857)
- Cenicriviroc** (TBR-652, TAK-652)
- Ibalizumab** (TNX-355)
- PRO 140**

### Integrase Inhibitors

-  **Isentress** (raltegravir, MK-0518)
-  **Tivicay** (dolutegravir, S/GSK-572)
- Vitekta** (elvitegravir, GS-9137)

**Entry inhibitor**  
Fusion inhibitor  
CCR5 antagonist

**Protease inhibitor**  
No boosting  
Boosting

**Integrase inhibitor**

**Reverse transcriptase inhibitor**  
Nucleoside RTI  
Non-nucleoside NRTI

## RECOMMENDED REGIMENS FOR INITIAL TREATMENT

2 NRTI + 1 NNRTI

2 NRTI + 1 PI (with or without boosting)

2 NRTI + 1 II

From DHHS guidelines

## HAART

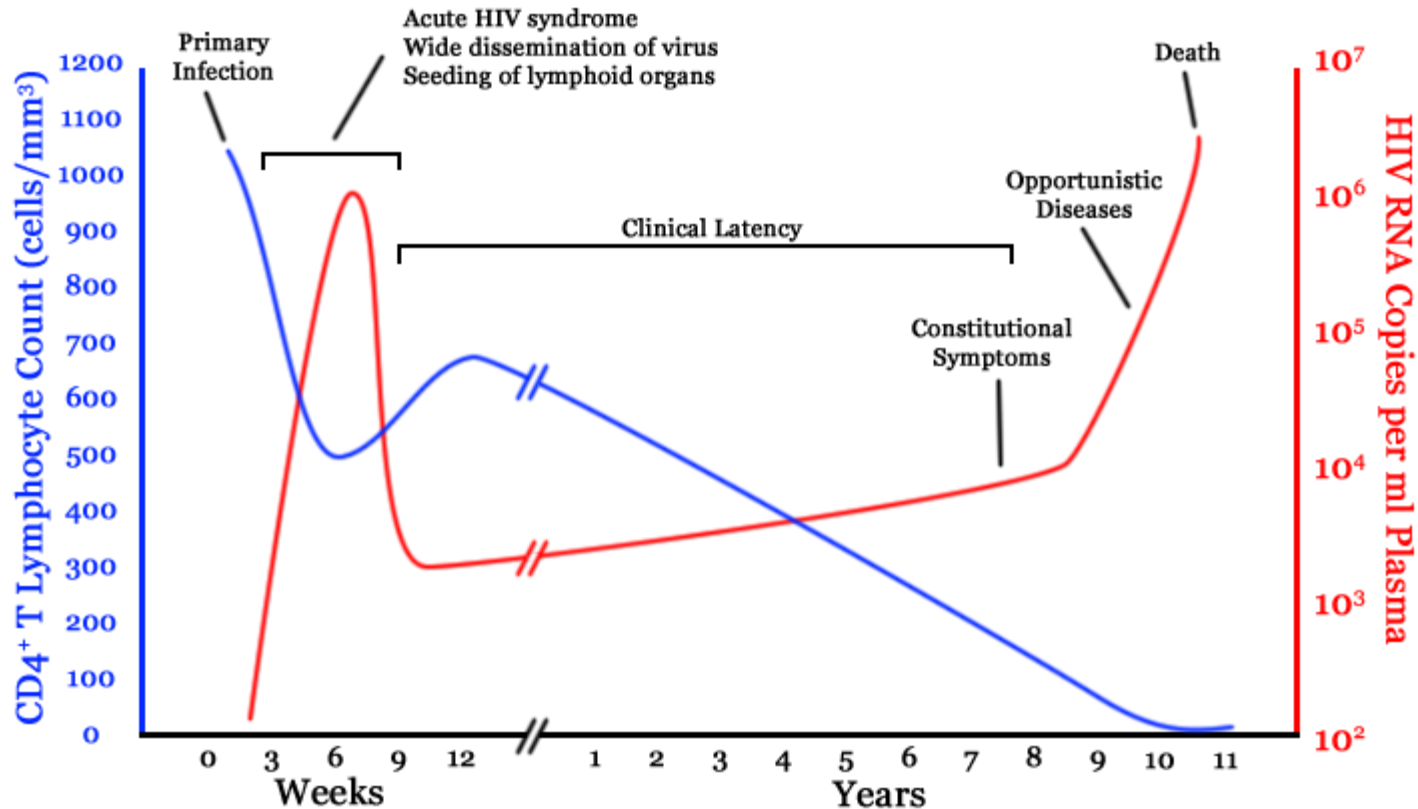
highly active  
antiretroviral therapy



Use 3 drugs from 2 groups only –  
effective, and preserve options

**Who should receive treatment ?**

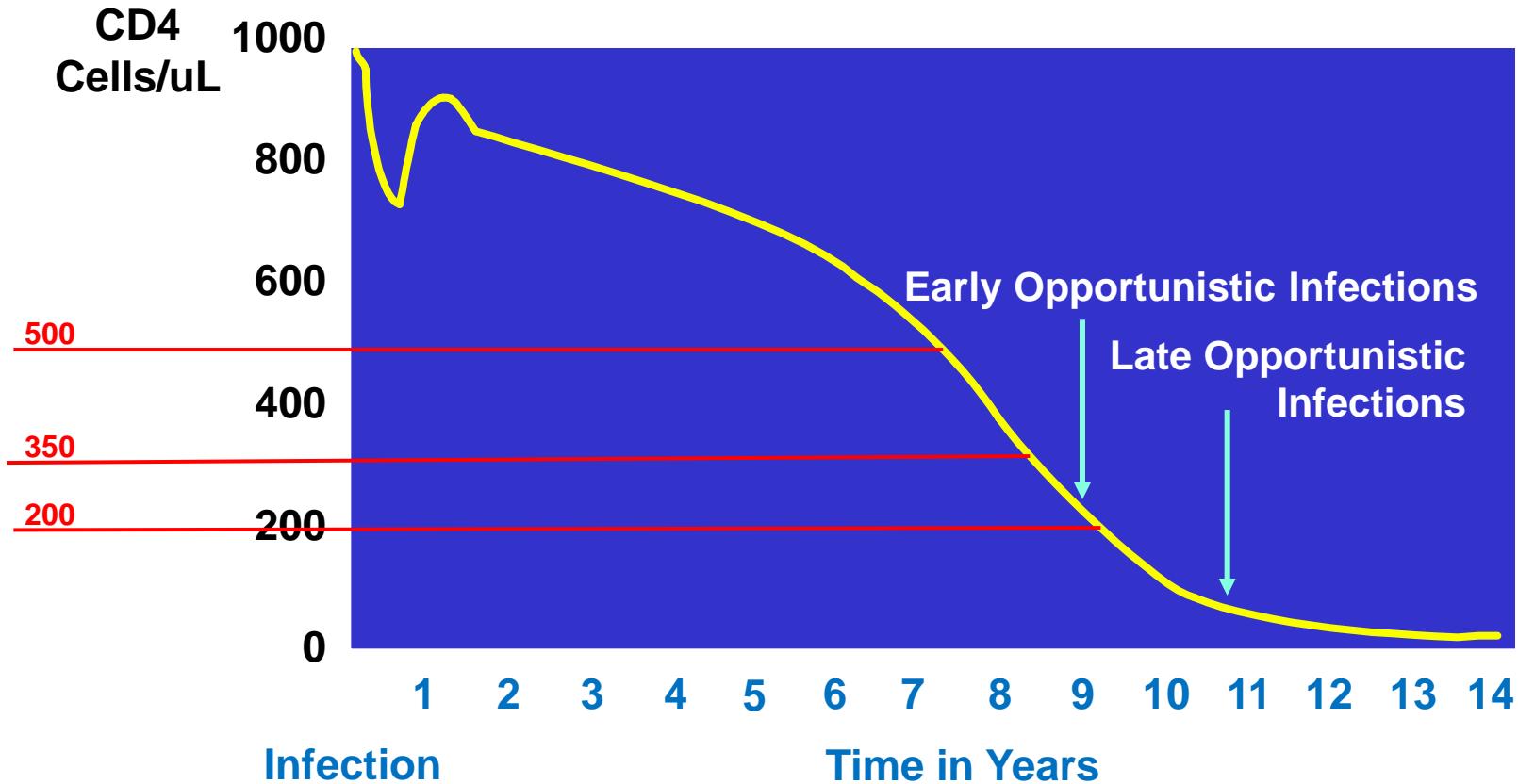
# Natural history of HIV/AIDS



<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image:Hiv-timecourse.png>



## CD4 guided treatment strategy



AETC slide sets <http://aidsetc.org/aidsetc?page=et-01-00>

# When should one be on HAART? (conventional strategy)

## For chronic infection

- Symptomatic HIV infection
- Evidence of immune deficiency, e.g. CD4 < 350/uL
- Anticipated progression

## Optimizing HIV treatment

# Why optimize treatment

Can one size fit all ?



- Avoid resistance
- Minimize side effects
- Reduce pill count
- Cut cost
- .... consider population effects of treatment

## Combo – the way ahead

### Multi-Class Combination Drugs



**Atripla** (efavirenz + tenofovir + emtricitabine)



**Complera** (Eviplera, rilpivirine + tenofovir + emtricitabine)



**Stribild** (formerly Quad) (elvitegravir + cobicistat + tenofovir + emtricitabine)



**Triumeq** (formerly Trii) (dolutegravir + abacavir + lamivudine)

# Host genetics counts

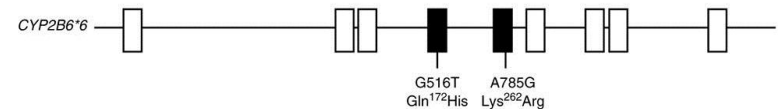
Giving the **right** dose of the **right** drug to the **right** person at the **right** time

## US guidelines

HLA-B\*5701-positive patients should not be prescribed abacavir, because of a multiorgan clinical syndrome typically seen within the initial 6 weeks of treatment, reported in 5%–8% of patients

**Abacavir (ABC) – NRTI in recommended regimens**

**Efavirenz – NNRTI in recommended regimen, is metabolised through CYP2B6**



Allelic variants of the human *CYP2B6* gene are associated with side effects and plasma levels

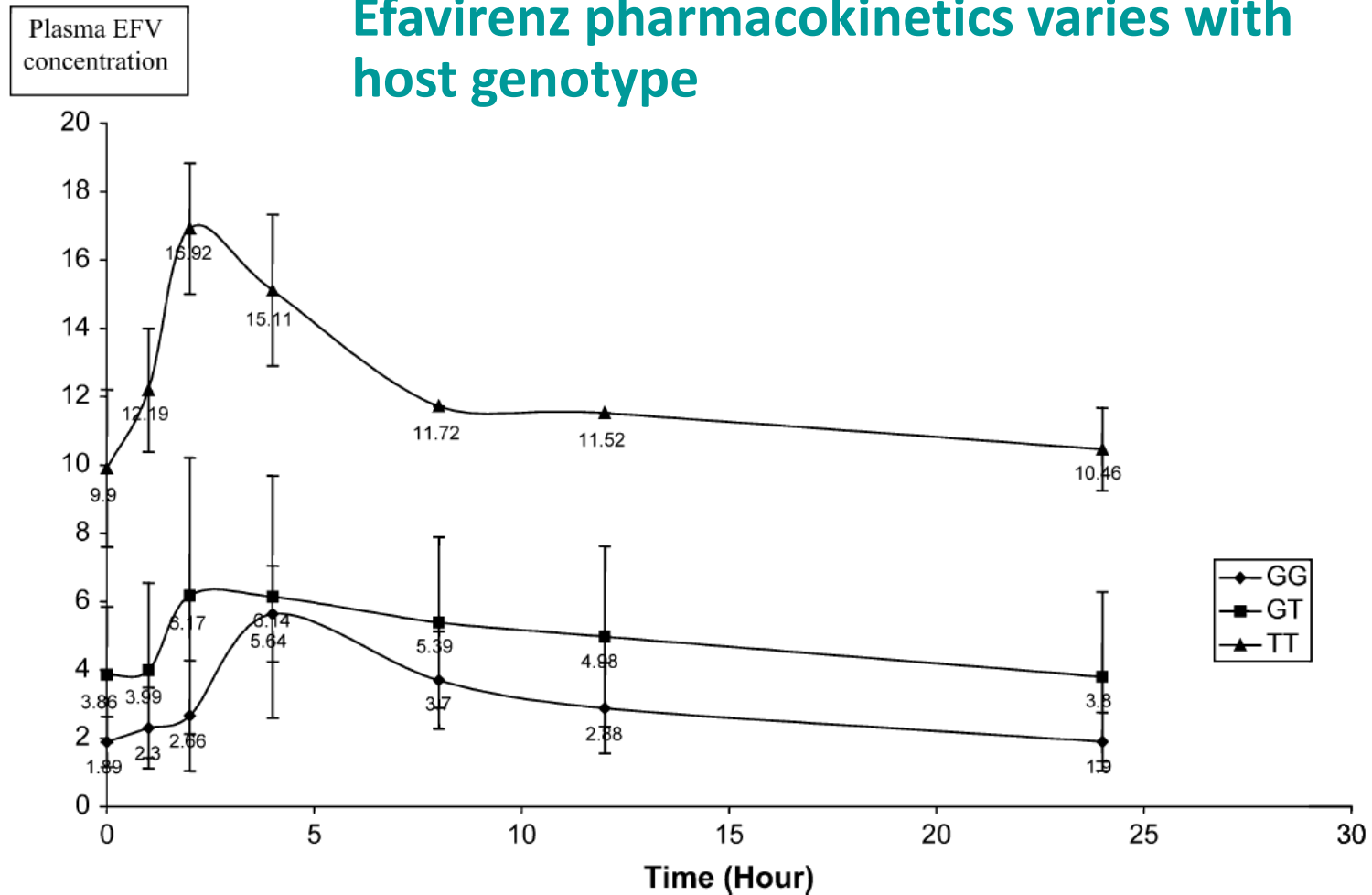
Lang T, et al. Extensive genetic polymorphism in the human *CYP2B6* gene with impact on expression and function in human liver. *Immunogenetics* 2001;11:399-415

## CYP2B6-G516T genotype frequency and mean efavirenz concentration

CYP2B6-G516T genotype	GG	GT	TT
Genotype frequency (%)	35 (57.3)	23 (37.7)	3 (4.9)
EFV concentration (mg/L) (mean $\pm$ SD)	2.53 $\pm$ 0.84	3.88 $\pm$ 1.17	11.43 $\pm$ 3.76

Naftalin CM, Chan KCW, Wong KH, Cheung SW, Chan RCY, Lee SS.  
CYP2B6-G516T genotype influences plasma efavirenz levels in a Hong Kong population allowing potential individualization of therapy. *HIV Med* 2014;15: 63-64.

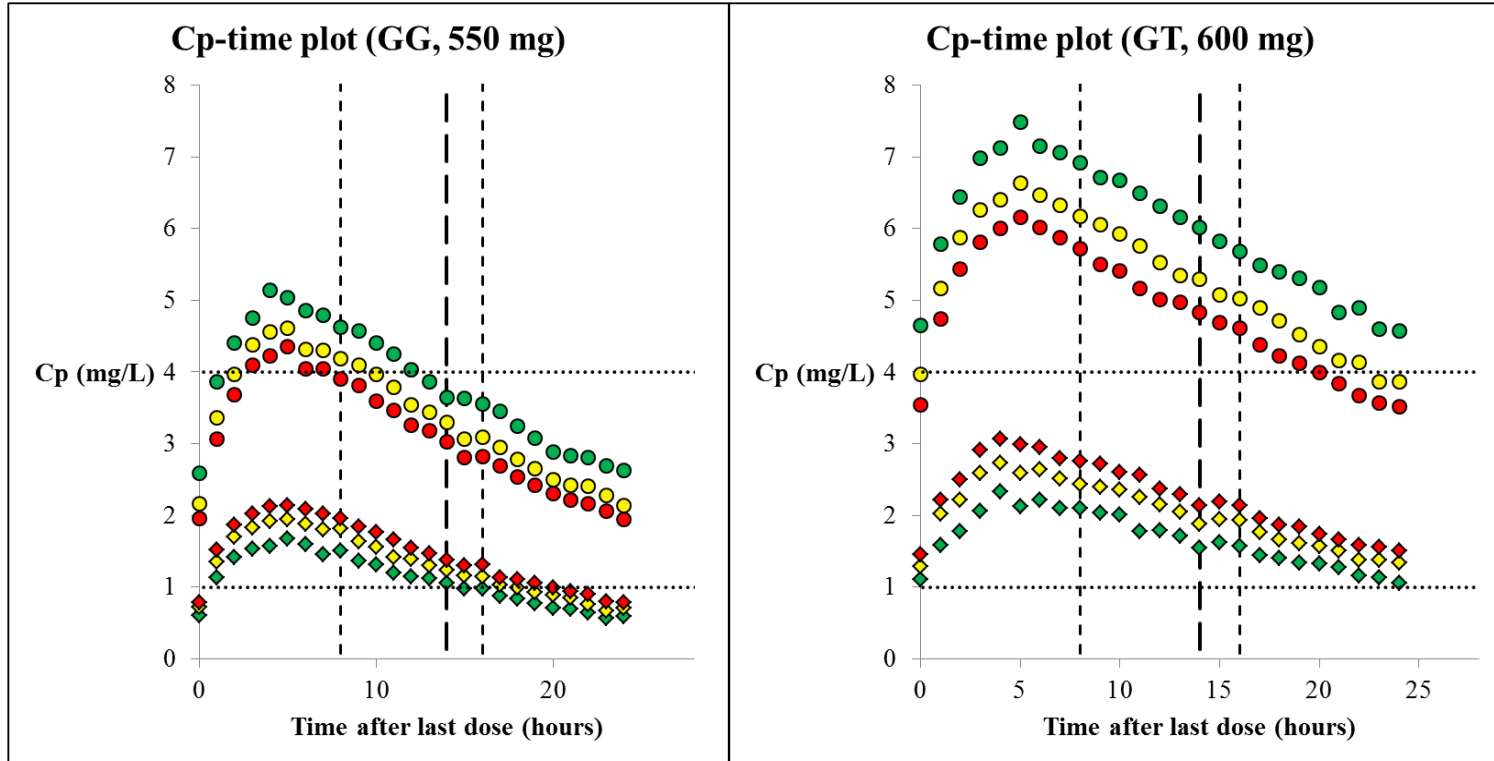
## Efavirenz pharmacokinetics varies with host genotype



To KW, Liu ST, Cheung SW, Chan DPC, Chan RCY, Lee SS.  
Pharmacokinetics of Plasma efavirenz and CYP2B6 polymorphism  
in southern Chinese *Ther Drug Monit* 2009;31(4):527-530.



# Population PK study



... the road to personalized treatment

**Optimal doses**

GG 500mg

GT 350mg

TT 100mg

Protease inhibitors

ATV  
SQV  
NFV  
RTV  
IDV  
LPV  
TPV  
DRV

Non nucleoside reverse  
transcriptase inhibitors

NVP  
EFV  
ETV  
RPV

Integrase inhibitors

RGV

Nucleoside reverse transcriptase  
inhibitor

ZDV  
3TC  
ABC

Anti-mycobacterial **RFB**

## TDM

TDM available as a free supplemental service to HIV clinics in Hong Kong



Therapeutic drug  
monitoring by HPLC

## Research angles *for* HIV treatment optimization

**Therapeutic drug monitoring** as a supplemental service

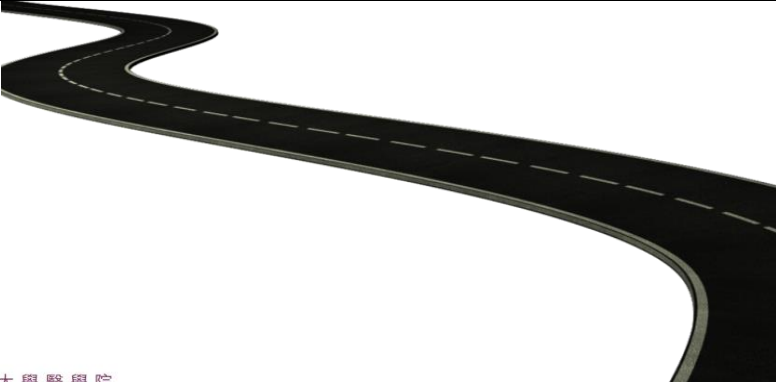
**CYP polymorphism** and impacts on treatment focusing on efavirenz, an NNRTI

**Pharmacokinetic enhancement** – mouse model

**Metabolic complications** – avoiding complications

**Renal complications** – tenofovir

**Host genetic screening** – APO genes and Protease Inhibitors

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- **Improve adherence**
  - **Uphold safety**
  - **Enhance access**
  - **Increase choice**

## Population perspectives of HIV treatment

# HPTN052

**THE STUDY.** Multicentre recruitment of 1763 heterosexual serodiscordant couples in which the HIV +ve partner had a CD4 cell count between 350 and 550 cells/uL (ineligible for treatment at that juncture). About half from Africa. They were randomized to (A) start treatment immediately, or (B) defer treatment until their CD4 counts fell into the range 250 to 200.

**MAIN RESULTS:** A total of 39 individuals became infected during a median follow-up period of 1.7 years. (incidence 1.2 per 100 person-years)

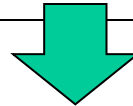
Immediate-treatment arm – 4

Deferred-treatment arm – 35 .

28 were virologically linked; 11 cases of transmission were unlinked, that is, attributable to sex outside the primary relationship. Only 1 of the 28 belonged to the immediate-treatment arm.

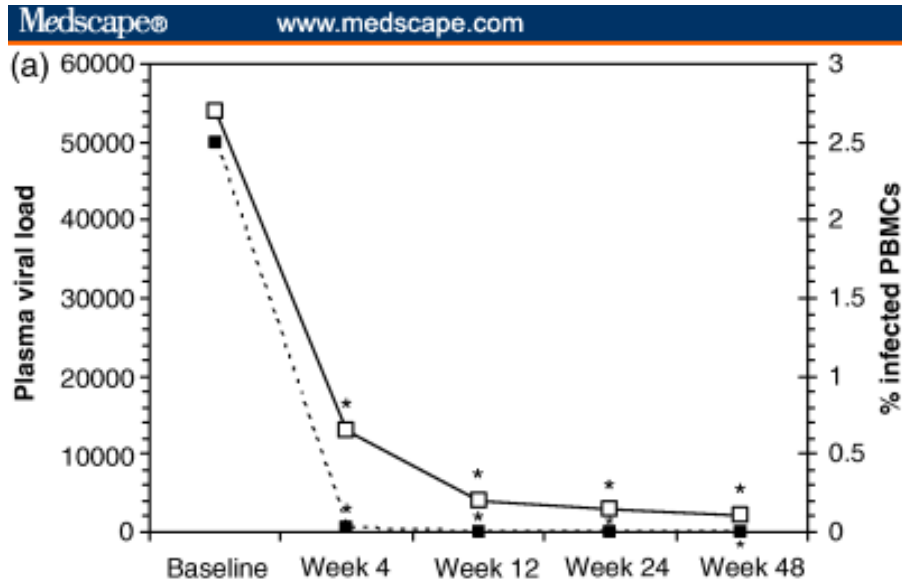
A majority of transmission events were estimated to have occurred when the index partner had a CD4 count above 350 cells/uL

Final multivariate analysis showed that baseline viral load was the strongest predictor of transmission in both groups.





<http://www.sciencemag.org/content/334/6063.cover-expansion>



L Al-Harhi et al. Evaluation of the Impact of Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy on Immune Recovery in Antiretroviral Naive Patients. *HIV Medicine*. 2004;5(1)

[http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/467766\\_3](http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/467766_3)

## With HIV treatment

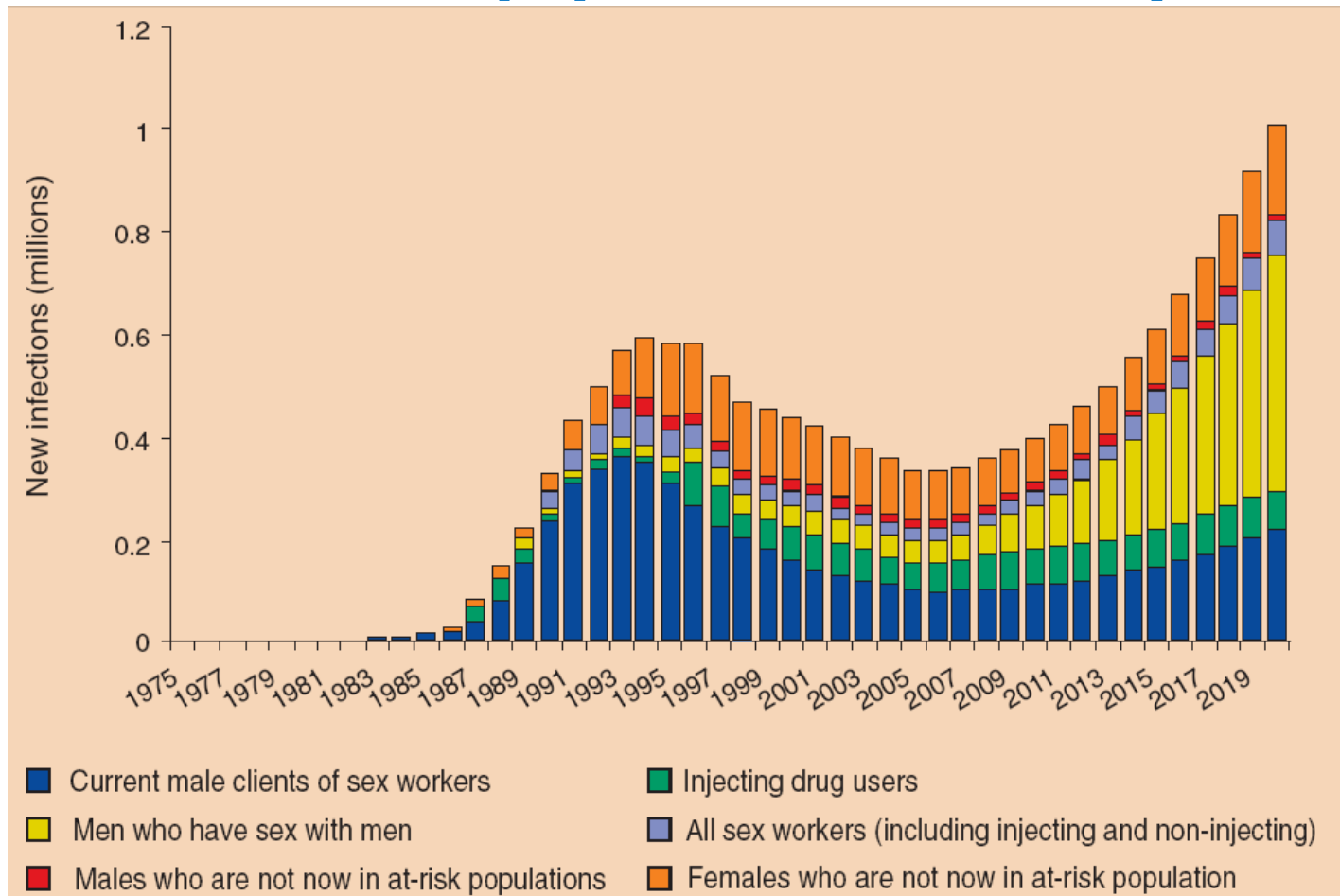
↓ viral load of treated patients

Assuming good coverage

↓ viral load in the population

## MSM remains a main subpopulation hard-hit by HIV

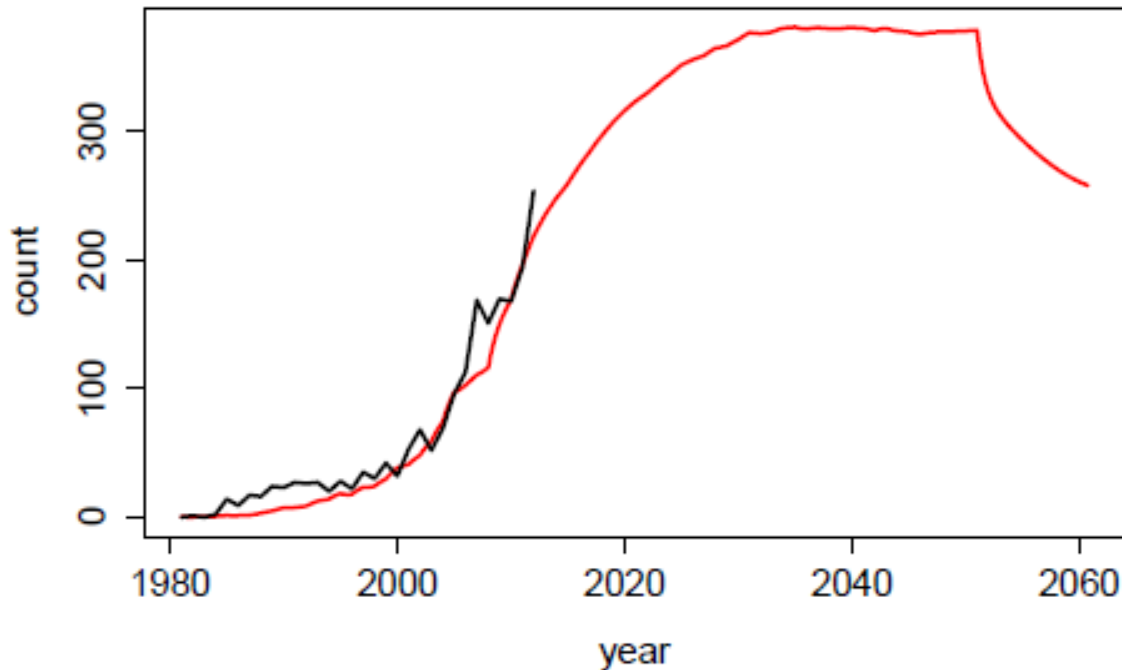
Annual new HIV infections in adults by population group a decline from early prevention successes, an increase from current failures





# HIV epidemiology in MSM

number of newly infected MSM

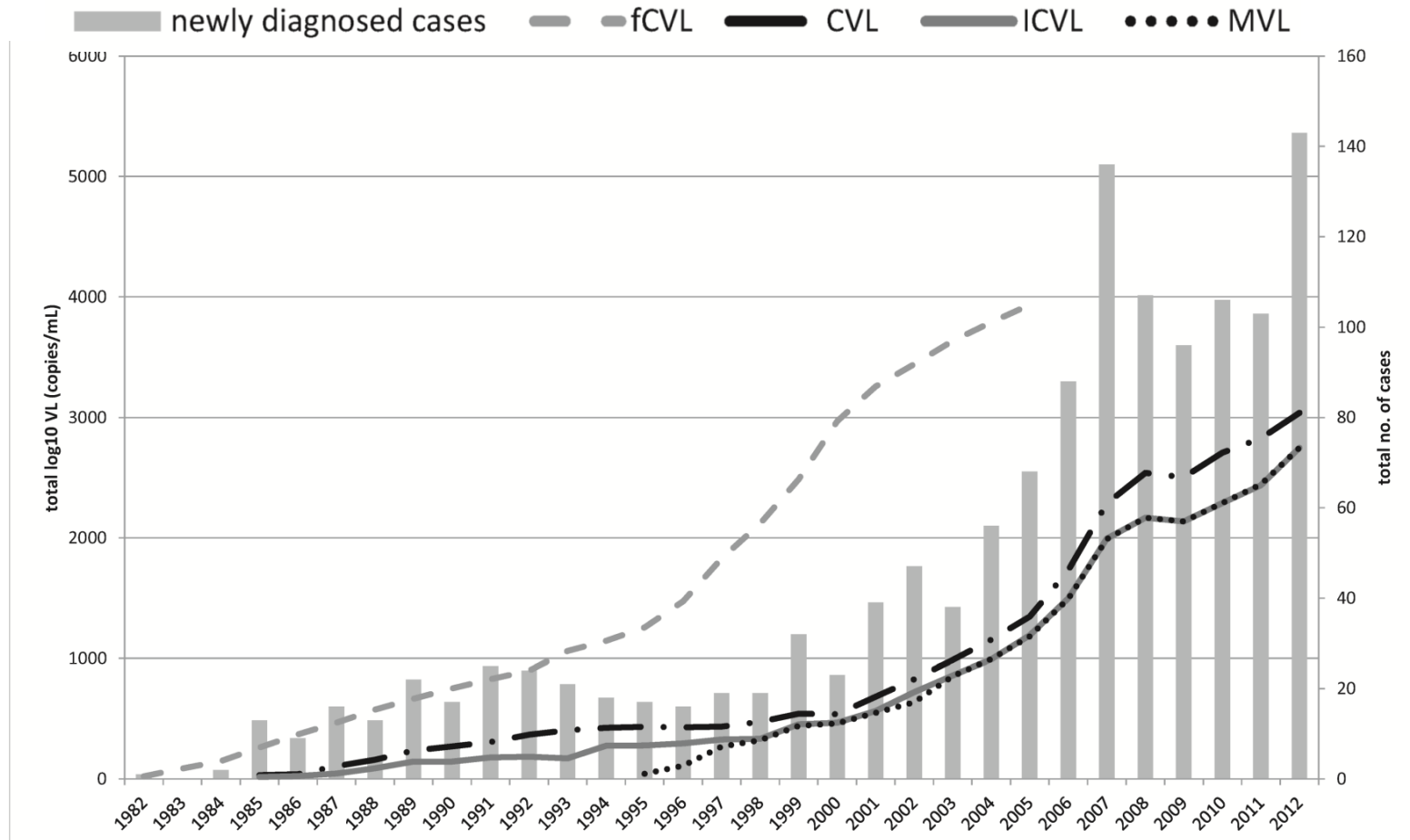


## Impacts of



- Effective treatment on transmission
- Connectivity changes after receiving care
- Reduction of risk behaviours after diagnosis

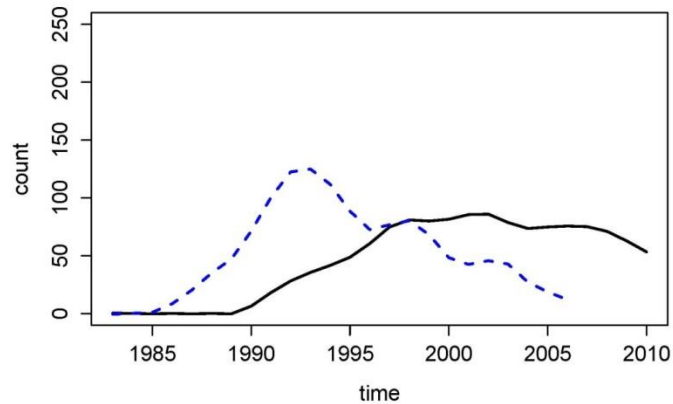
# Viral load measures of MSM at population levels – Hong Kong example



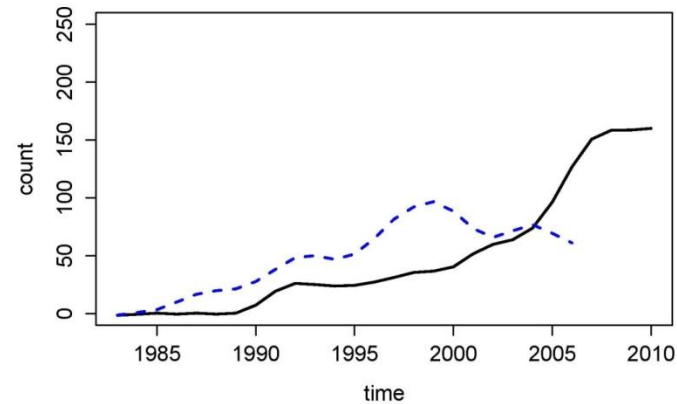
# Including undiagnosed HIV+ individuals

## – Hong Kong example

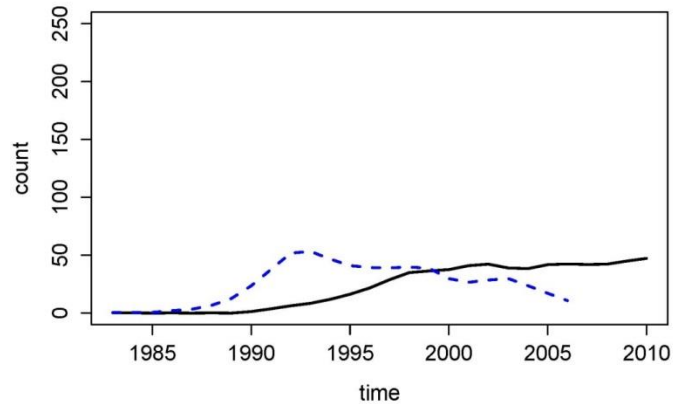
### Heterosexual male



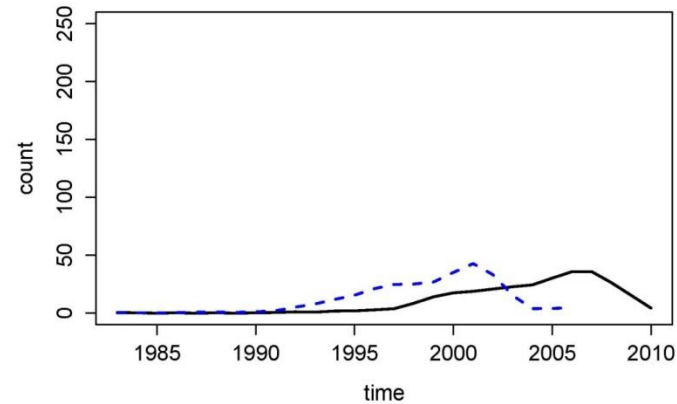
### MSM



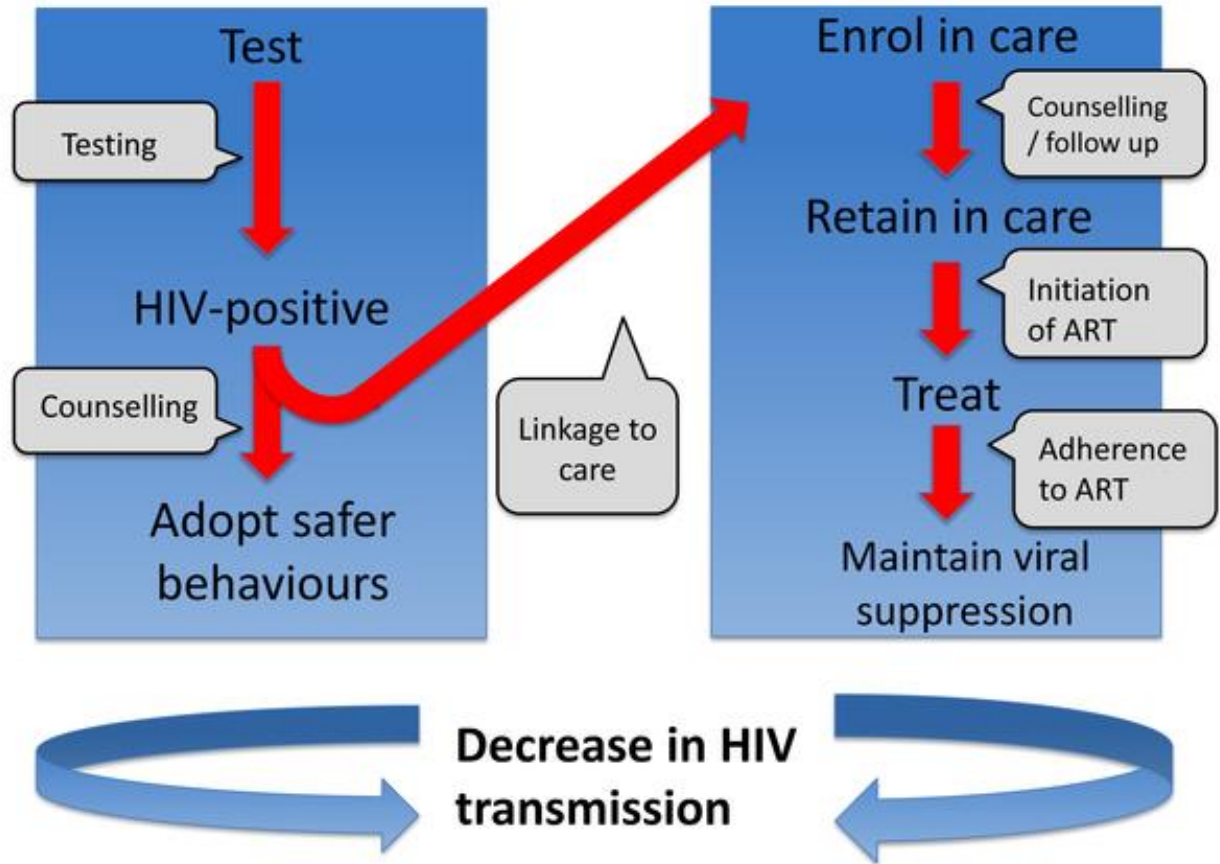
### Heterosexual female



### IDU



**What else are needed to reduce onward transmission from someone infected with HIV.**



Wilson DP (2012) HIV Treatment as Prevention: Natural Experiments Highlight Limits of Antiretroviral Treatment as HIV Prevention. *PLoS Med* 9(7): e1001231. doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.1001231

<http://www.plosmedicine.org/article/info:doi/10.1371/journal.pmed.1001231>

## Change underway.....

### Panel's Recommendations

- Antiretroviral therapy (ART) is recommended for all HIV-infected individuals to reduce the risk of disease progression.
  - The strength of and evidence for this recommendation vary by pretreatment CD4 T lymphocyte (CD4) cell count: CD4 count <350 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> (**AI**); CD4 count 350 to 500 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> (**AII**); CD4 count >500 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> (**BIII**).
- ART is also recommended for HIV-infected individuals to prevent of transmission of HIV.
  - The strength of and evidence for this recommendation vary by transmission risks: perinatal transmission (**AI**); heterosexual transmission (**AI**); other transmission risk groups (**AIII**).
- Patients starting ART should be willing and able to commit to treatment and understand the benefits and risks of therapy and the importance of adherence (**AIII**). Patients may choose to postpone therapy, and providers, on a case-by-case basis, may elect to defer therapy on the basis of clinical and/or psychosocial factors.

*Rating of Recommendations: A = Strong; B = Moderate; C = Optional*

*Rating of Evidence: I = Data from randomized controlled trials; II = Data from well-designed nonrandomized trials or observational cohort studies with long-term clinical outcomes; III = Expert opinion*

**Panel on Antiretroviral Guidelines for Adults and Adolescents.** Guidelines for the use of antiretroviral agents in HIV-1-infected adults and adolescents. Department of Health and Human Services. Available at <http://aidsinfo.nih.gov/ContentFiles/AdultandAdolescentGL.pdf>. **Updated 2014**

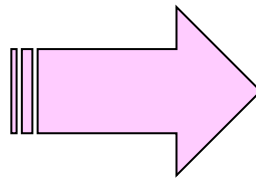
# When should one be on HAART?

## For chronic infection

- Symptomatic HIV infection
- Evidence of immune deficiency
- Anticipated progression

## Expanded strategy

- To reduce the risk of disease progression, irrespective of CD4 count (i.e. severity of immune deficiency)
- To prevent transmission
  - From mother to baby
  - After exposure, e.g. occupational (post-exposure prophylaxis)
  - Pre-exposure prophylaxis



# PMTCT

Prevention of mother-to-child transmission

WHO recommendations Option B+

WHO. 2013 consolidated guidelines on the use of antiretroviral drugs for treating and preventing HIV infection.

<http://www.who.int/hiv/en/>



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# PEP

post-exposure prophylaxis

WHO. Guidelines on PEP and the use of co-trimoxazole prophylaxis for HIV-related infections among adults, adolescents and children – recommendations for a public health approach . (*supplement to the 2013 consolidated guidelines on the use of antiretroviral drugs for treating and preventing HIV infection*) December 2014

<http://www.who.int/hiv/en/>



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- Clinical assessment of exposure
  - Eligibility assessment for HIV post-exposure prophylaxis
  - HIV testing of exposed people and source if possible
  - Provision of first aid in case of broken skin or other wound
- 
- Risk of HIV
  - Risks and benefits of HIV post-exposure prophylaxis
  - Side effects
  - Enhanced adherence counselling if post-exposure prophylaxis to be prescribed
  - Specific support in case of sexual assault
- 
- Post-exposure prophylaxis should be initiated as early as possible following exposure
  - 28-day prescription of recommended age-appropriate ARV drugs
  - Drug information
  - Assessment of underlying comorbidities and possible drug-drug interactions
- 
- HIV test at 3 months after exposure
  - Link to HIV treatment if possible
  - Provision of prevention intervention as appropriate



# PrEP

pre-exposure prophylaxis

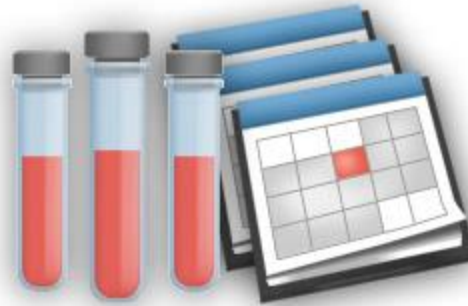
Daily oral PrEP with the fixed-dose combination of tenofovir (TDF) 300 mg and emtricitabine (FTC) 200 mg has been shown to be safe and effective in reducing the risk of sexual HIV acquisition in adults



PrEP IS A NEW HIV PREVENTION METHOD IN WHICH PEOPLE WHO DO NOT HAVE HIV INFECTION TAKE A PILL DAILY TO REDUCE THEIR RISK OF BECOMING INFECTED.



PrEP CAN ONLY BE PRESCRIBED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND **MUST BE TAKEN AS DIRECTED TO WORK.**



**ONLY PEOPLE WHO ARE HIV-NEGATIVE SHOULD USE PrEP. AN HIV TEST IS REQUIRED BEFORE STARTING PrEP AND THEN EVERY 3 MONTHS WHILE TAKING PrEP.**

US DHHS. AIDS.gov <http://www.aids.gov/hiv-aids-basics/prevention/reduce-your-risk/pre-exposure-prophylaxis/>

	Men Who Have Sex with Men	Heterosexual Women and Men	Injection Drug Users
Detecting substantial risk of acquiring HIV infection	HIV-positive sexual partner Recent bacterial STI High number of sex partners History of inconsistent or no condom use Commercial sex work	HIV-positive sexual partner Recent bacterial STI High number of sex partners History of inconsistent or no condom use Commercial sex work  In high-prevalence area or network	HIV-positive injecting partner Sharing injection equipment Recent drug treatment (but currently injecting)

**WHO.** Consolidated guidelines on HIV prevention, Dx, Tx & care for key populations. 2014 <http://www.who.int/hiv/pub/guidelines/keypopulations/en>

#### ALL KEY POPULATION GROUPS

Where serodiscordant couples can be identified and where additional HIV prevention choices for them are needed, daily oral PrEP (specifically tenofovir or the combination of tenofovir and emtricitabine) may be considered as a possible additional intervention for the uninfected partner (*conditional recommendation, high quality of evidence*) (74).

#### MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN

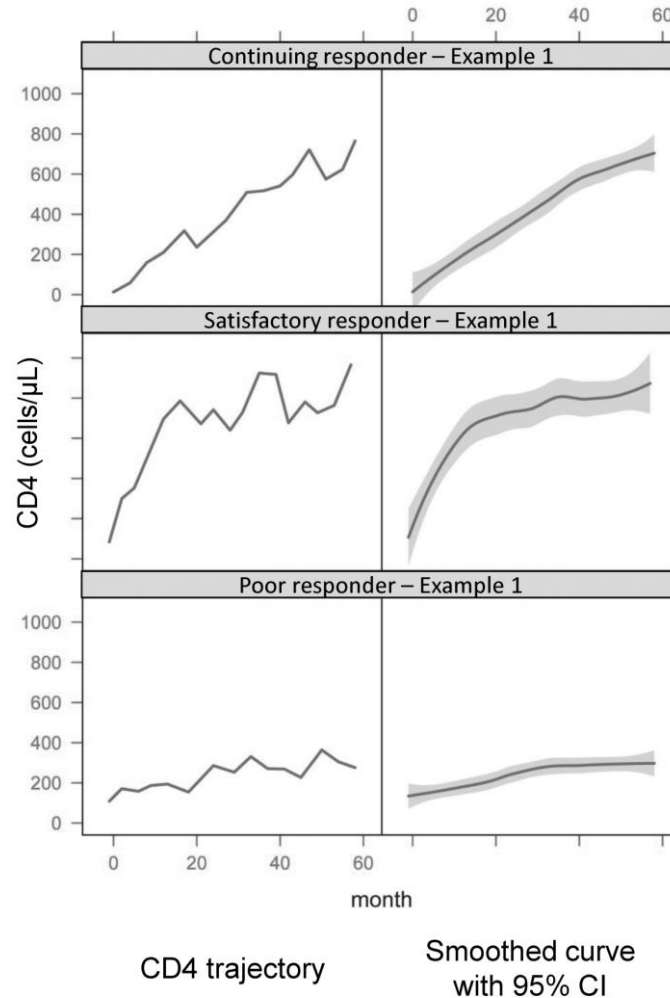
Among men who have sex with men, PrEP is recommended as an additional HIV prevention choice within a comprehensive HIV prevention package (*strong recommendation, high quality of evidence*).

#### US Public Health Service.

Pre-exposure prophylaxis for the prevention of HIV infection in the United States – 2014: a clinical practice guideline

<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/pdf/PrEPguidelines2014.pdf>

## CD4 trajectories after treatment



CD4 count can be monitored at 3- to 6-month intervals after initiation of treatment

**Strategy change**  
CD4 guided → viral load guided



## GLOBAL REPORT

– UNAIDS report on the global AIDS epidemic 2013.

[http://www.unaids.org/en/media/unaids/contentassets/documents/epidemiology/2013/gr2013/unaids\\_global\\_report\\_2013\\_en.pdf](http://www.unaids.org/en/media/unaids/contentassets/documents/epidemiology/2013/gr2013/unaids_global_report_2013_en.pdf)

# 35 million

At the end of 2013, 35 million people were living with HIV.

# 28 million

Over 28 million people are eligible for antiretroviral therapy, under WHO 2013 consolidated ARV guidelines.

# 11.7 million

At the end of 2013, 11.7 million people had access to antiretroviral therapy in low- and middle-income countries.

WHO. <http://www.who.int/hiv/en/>

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#### ANTI-HIV MED



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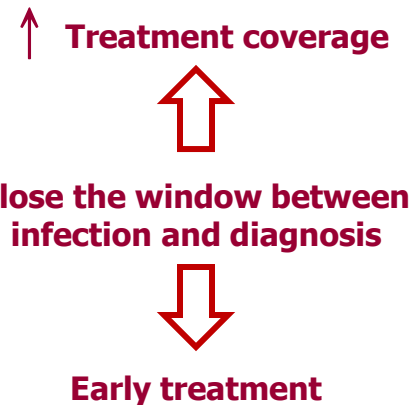


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## To conclude:

- HIV is still incurable, but effectively managed
- One size does not fit all. Local protocols are needed to make safe, simple and affordable regimens available and accessible.
- Effective treatment minimizes population viral load, which can lead to reduction of transmission risk.
- The swing from a behavioural model to a biomedical model for HIV prevention

**EXPANDED TESTING**





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