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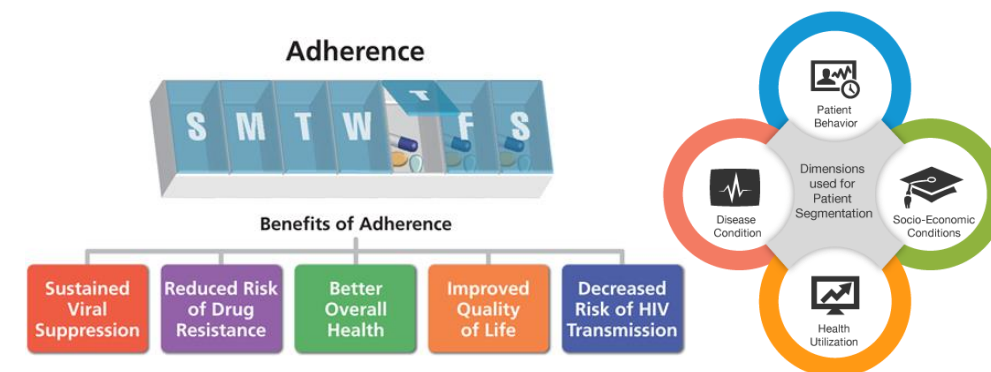
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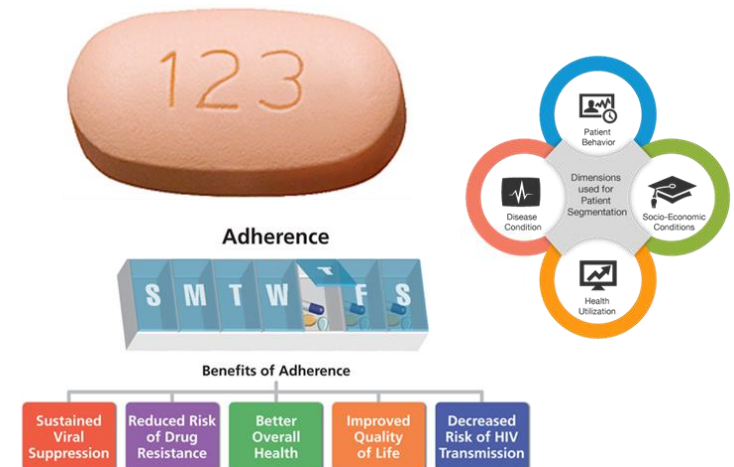
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Case 1

A young Thai male with weight gain



Case 1: A young Thai male with weight gain

Date	Treatment	CD4+ T cell (%) [cell/ μ L]	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]
APR-2017	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00 - Late latent syphilis	480 (30)	NA
OCT-2017	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00	742 (35)	<20
OCT-2018	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00	906 (38)	<20
OCT-2019	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00	636 (36)	<20
NOV-2020	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00	728 (39)	<20
OCT-2021	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00 - Insomnia, nightmare: switch to TDF/FTC/DTG at 22.00	795 (42%)	<20

Adherence: Good (90-95%)

Case 1: A young Thai male with weight gain

Date	Treatment	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]	BW [kg]/ BMI [kg/m ²]	BP [mmHg]	Triglyceride [mg/dL]	LDL/HDL [mg/dL]	AST/ALT [IU/L]
APR-2017	TDF/FTC/EFV	NA	75/24.5	120/70	147	113/36	20/27
OCT-2018	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	80/26	125/70	144	133/39	31/36
OCT-2019	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	85/27.7	130/70	150	123/44	25/36
NOV-2020	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	80/26	125/70	155	125/44	28/35
OCT-2021	TDF/FTC/DTG	<20	83/27.1	130/80	148	119/39	30/32
JAN-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	NA	85/27.7	125/80	151	130/39	50/60
MAY-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	NA	90/29.4	145/90	341	163/45	69/130
NOV-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	<20	95/31.1	150/90	301	188/40	58/137
MAR-2023	TDF/FTC/DTG	NA	100/32.6	160/90	360	190/39	114/278

Case 1: A young Thai male with weight gain

Additional history

- Increased appetite, remarkable gaining of body weight, denied history of snoring or sleep apnea.
- Denied history of herb, over counter medicine or mineral supplement.
- Exercise: volleyball player, playing volleyball 1-2 h./day, 4-5 days/weeks.
- Social alcohol drinking (1-2 times/months), no smoking.

Additional investigation

- FPG: 90 mg/dL, A1C: 5.6 %
- HBsAg: non-reactive, Anti-HCV: negative
- **Upper abdominal ultrasonography** (JAN-2023): The liver shows normal size, shape but diffused increased parenchymal echogenicity. No mass or space occupying lesion is observed: **Impression: fatty liver**

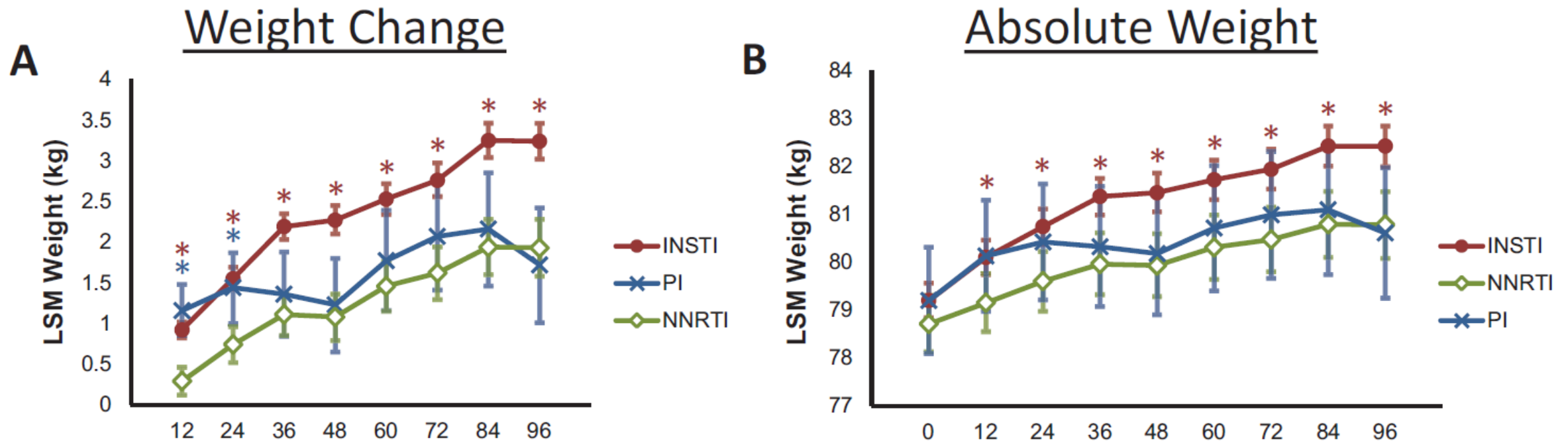
Case 1: What is the most appropriate management?

Problem List

- 1. Asymptomatic HIV infection on TDF/FTC/DTG**
- 2. Obesity** [BMI: 32.6 kg/m², weight gain for 20 %]
- 3. Metabolic syndrome**
 - Triglyceride >150 mg/dL, HDL < 40 mg/dL, SBP > 130, DBP >85 mmHg
- 4. Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease**
- 5. New onset hypertension**

INSTI-containing Regimens and Weight Gain

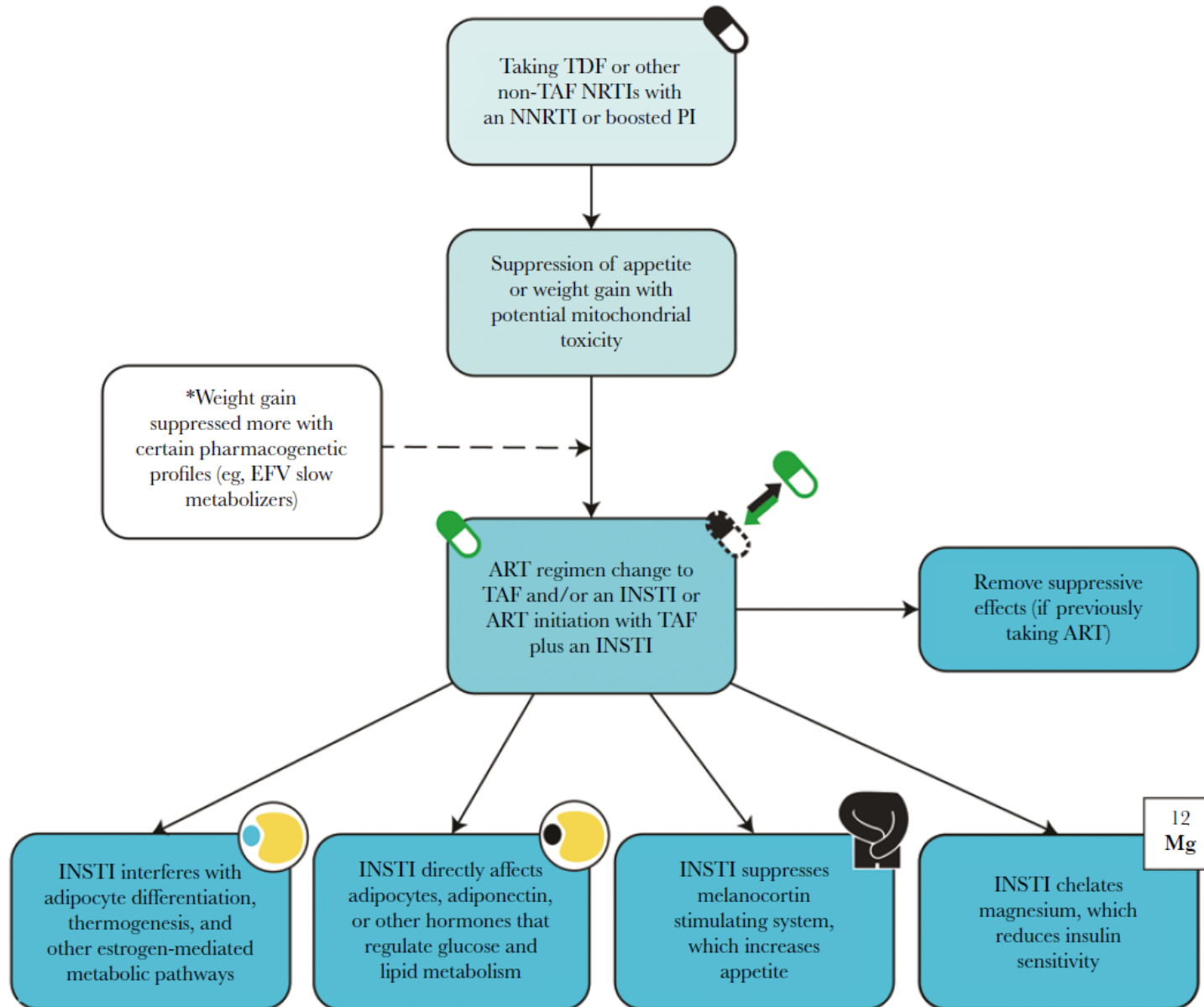
- INSTI-containing regimens associated with **greater** weight gain than NNRTI and PIs, especially when used with TAF
 - DTG = BIC > EVG/c > NNRTI or PIs
- Population at risk : women, Black and Hispanic people, lower baseline weight, lower baseline CD4, higher baseline HIV-1



Weight change and absolute weight in participants initiating antiretroviral therapy.

1. Panel on Antiretroviral Guidelines for Adults and Adolescents. Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in Adults and Adolescents with HIV. Department of Health and Human Services. Updated MAY 2023.
2. Sax PE, Eralandson KM, Lake JE, et al. Weight gain following initiation of antiretroviral therapy: risk factors in randomized comparative clinical trials. Clin Infect Dis. 2020 Sep 12;71(6):1379-1389.
3. Bourgi K, Rebeiro PF, Turner M, Castilho JL, Hulgan T, Raffanti SP, Koethe JR, Sterling TR. Greater Weight Gain in Treatment-naïve Persons Starting Dolutegravir-based Antiretroviral Therapy. Clin Infect Dis. 2020 ;70(7):1267-1274.

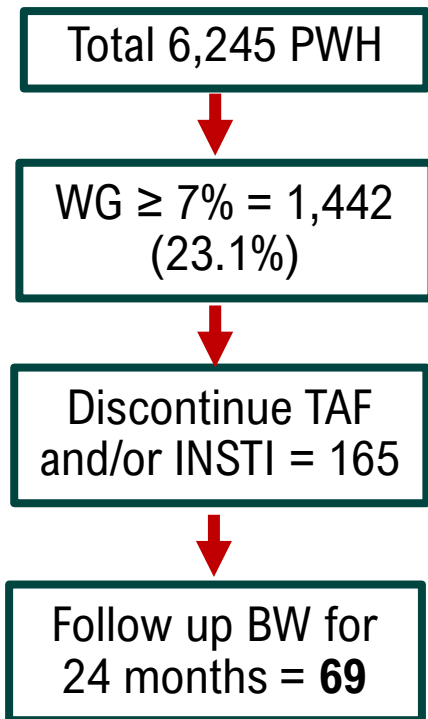
Proposed Mechanisms of TAF- and INSTI-mediated Excess Weight Gain



- All proposed mechanisms warrant further study for confirmation, and the explanation may be multifactorial.
- The clinical significance of this weight gain and their impact on cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, and age-related comorbidities among PLWHA are currently unknown.

Is excessive weight gain reversible after discontinue TAF or INSTI?

- Dutch ATHENA Cohort; total 6,245 PWH
- Inclusion criteria: PWH with $\geq 7\%$ weight gain (WG) within 24 months after switch to TAF and/or INSTI + VL suppressed
- Exclusion criteria: PWH with comorbidities/co-medication known to be associated with WG



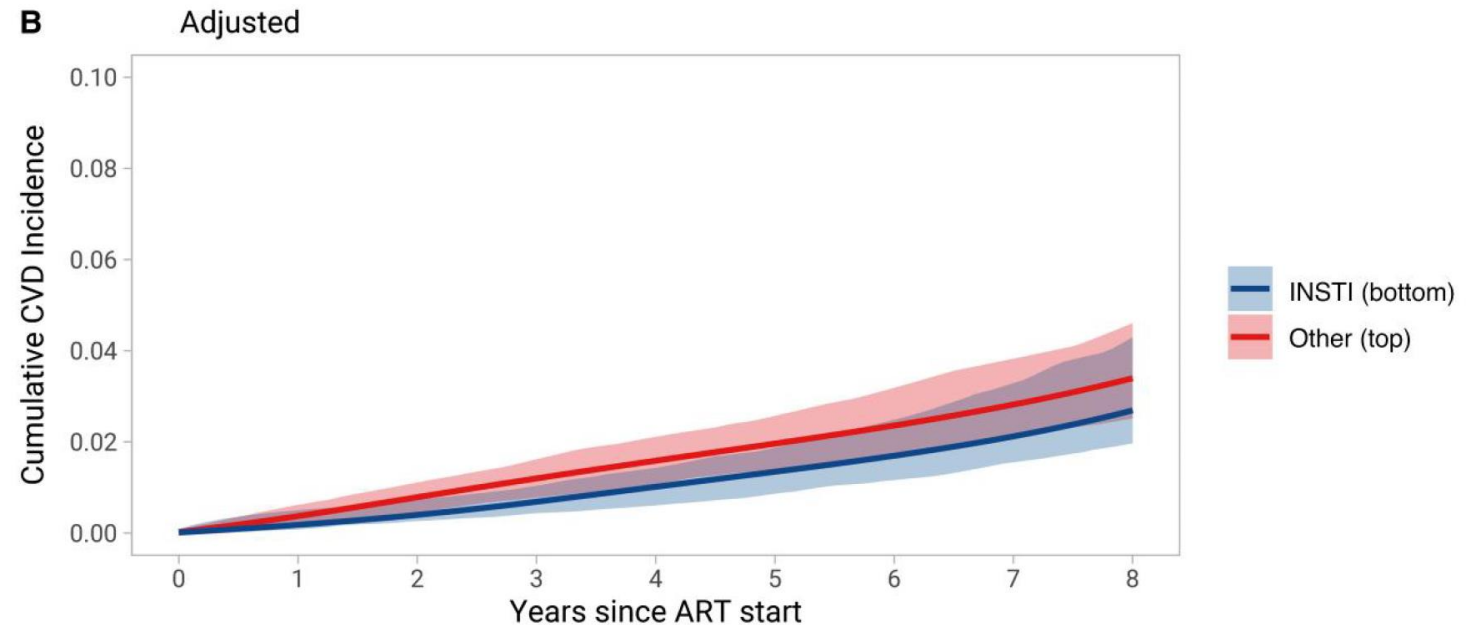
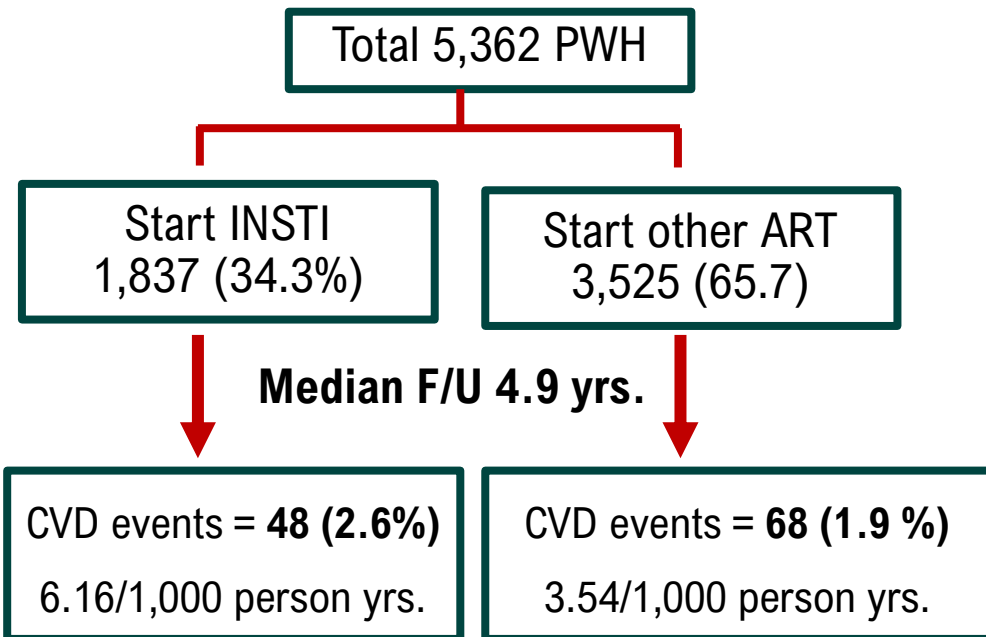
Body wight	Stopping only TAF (n=21)	Stopping only INSTI (n=37)	Stopping TAF+INSTI (n=11)
Mean WG before stopping ART(kg)	+ 3.20	+ 5.98	+ 5.84
Mean weight reduction 24 months after stopping ART(kg)	- 1.48	- 2.73	- 7.95

800 PWH continued TAF and/or INSTI after $\geq 7\%$ WG, the adjusted mean weight change at 24 months = **-0.77 kg**

Conclusion: TAF and/or INSTI-associated WG of $\geq 7\%$ appears to be only partly reversible after discontinuing TAF and/or INSTI

Is INSTI-based ART increased cardiovascular disease event?

- ART-naïve Swiss HIV Cohort Study participants after May 2008
- **Primary outcome:** first of CVD event (MI, stroke, or invasive cardiovascular procedure) compare INSTI vs. other regimens.
- Adjusted multiple confounders covariate e.g., comorbidities, sex, age, personal and family history of CVD.



Cumulative incidence of cardiovascular disease (CVD) events after starting antiretroviral therapy

Conclusions: We found **no difference** in short- or long-term risk for CVD events between treatment-naïve people with HIV who started INSTI-based ART and those on other ART.

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Management

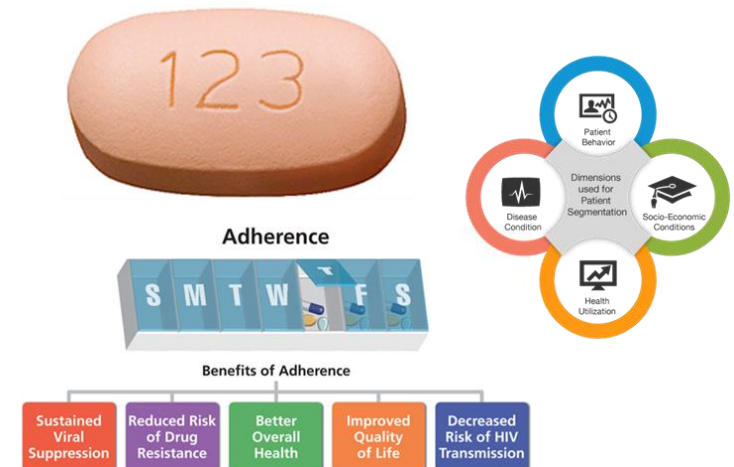
- Initiated atorvastatin(40) 1-tab oral pc od and amlodipine (10) 1-tab oral pc od
- Monitor BW and metabolic profiles
- Continue TDF/FTC/DTG
- **Follow up visit (JUN-2023)**
 - BW: 95 kg, Height: 175 cm. [BMI: 31.15 kg/m²], BP 120/85 mmHg
 - Lipid profile: Triglyceride 350 mg/dL, LDL < 81.8 mg/dL, HDL < 45 mg/dL
 - LFT: ASL: 58 IU/L, ALT: 127 IU/L

Case 1: Summary and Key points

- INSTI-containing regimens associated with **greater** weight gain especially when used with TAF
 - [DTG = BIC > EVG/c > NNRTI or PIs]
- Risk factors: women, ↓ baseline weight, ↓ baseline CD4, ↑ baseline HIV-1
- TAF and/or INSTI-associated weight gain were partly reversible after discontinuing.
- To date, no difference in short- or long-term risk for CVD events between treatment-naïve people with HIV who started INSTI-based ART vs. other ART.
- **Management**
 - Close monitoring body weight and occurrence of weight related disease.
 - Multidisciplinary approach is suggested for proper management.
 - More data are required on which switch strategies should be adopted.

Case 2

A middle-aged Thai male with increased serum creatinine



Case 2: A middle-aged Thai male with increased serum creatine

Case 45 yrs., male, government officer, live in Bangkok

- **Occupation:** government officer, **Health scheme:** civil servant medical benefit
- **First diagnosis:** Asymptomatic HIV infection (2015)
- **Physical examination:** unremarkable, BW: 70 kg, Height: 174 cm [BMI: 23.1 kg/m²]
- **Initial laboratory assessment**
 - Anti-HIV: reactive
 - CD4+ T cell: 279 cell/ μ L (10.2%)
 - LFT: ASL: 25 IU/L, ALT: 27 IU/L
 - HBsAg: non-reactive, Anti-HBS: positive
 - Anti-HCV: negative
 - RPR : non-reactive, TPHA: negative
 - Cr.: 1 mg/dL (eGFR: 95 mL/min/1.73 m²)
- **Start TDF+3TC + EFV 1 tab oral at 21.00**

Case 2: A middle-aged Thai male with increased serum creatinine

Date	Treatment	CD4+ T cell (%) [cell/ μ L]	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]
MAR-2015	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF+3TC+EFV at 21.00	279 (10.2)	NA
AUG-2015	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF+3TC+EFV at 21.00	342 (12.8)	<20
JUL-2017	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: switch to STR: TDF/FTC/EFV at 21.00	445 (19.3)	<20
AUG-2018	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 21.00	506 (20.1)	<20
JUL-2019	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 21.00	512 (23.1)	<20
2019-2021	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 21.00	488-484 (27-28)	<20
JUN-2022	- Switch to TDF/FTC/DTG at 21.00	437(27.3)	<20

Adherence: Good (>95%)

Case 2: A middle-aged Thai male with increased serum creatinine

Date	Treatment	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]	BW [kg]/ BMI [kg/m ²]	Creatinine [mg/dL]	BUN [mg/dL]	eGFR* [mL/min/1.73 m ²]
AUG-2015	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	72/23.8	1	12	92
JUL-2017	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	73/24.1	1.1	11	84
AUG-2018	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	71/23.5	1.1	16.4	84
JUL-2019	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	70/23.1	1	13.3	92
2019-2021	TDF/FTC/EFV	<20	72/23.8	1-1.1	12.3-15.8	84-92
JUN-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	<20	73/24.1	1	11.6	92
DEC-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	NA	78/25.8	1.37	14.5	67

*eGFR calculation by Cockcroft-Gault Equation

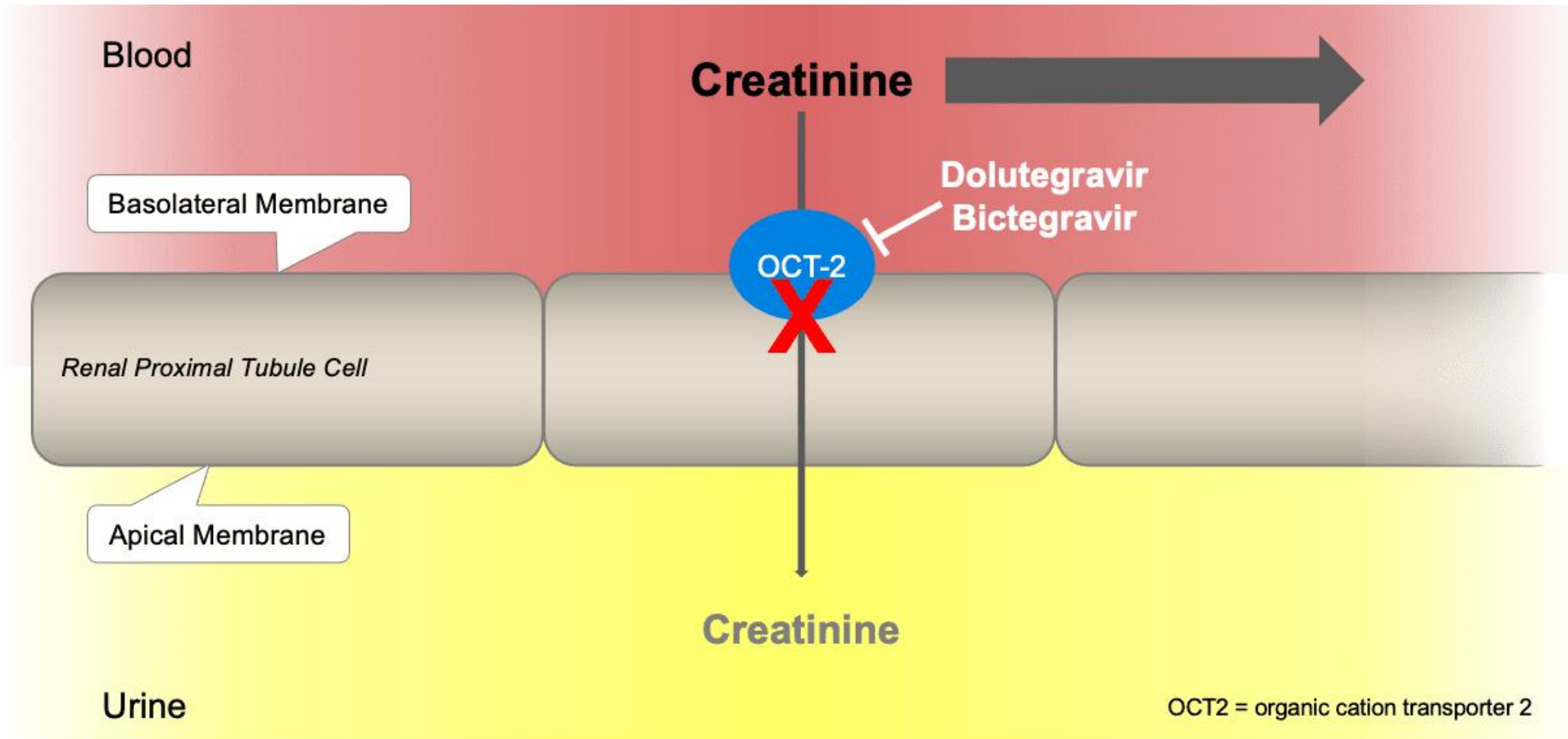
Case 2: What is the most appropriate management?

Problem List

- 1. Asymptomatic HIV infection on TDF/FTC/DTG**
- 2. Increased serum creatinine (1 → 1.37 mg/dL)**
 - Acute kidney injury?**

INSTI-containing ART and Renal Adverse Effect

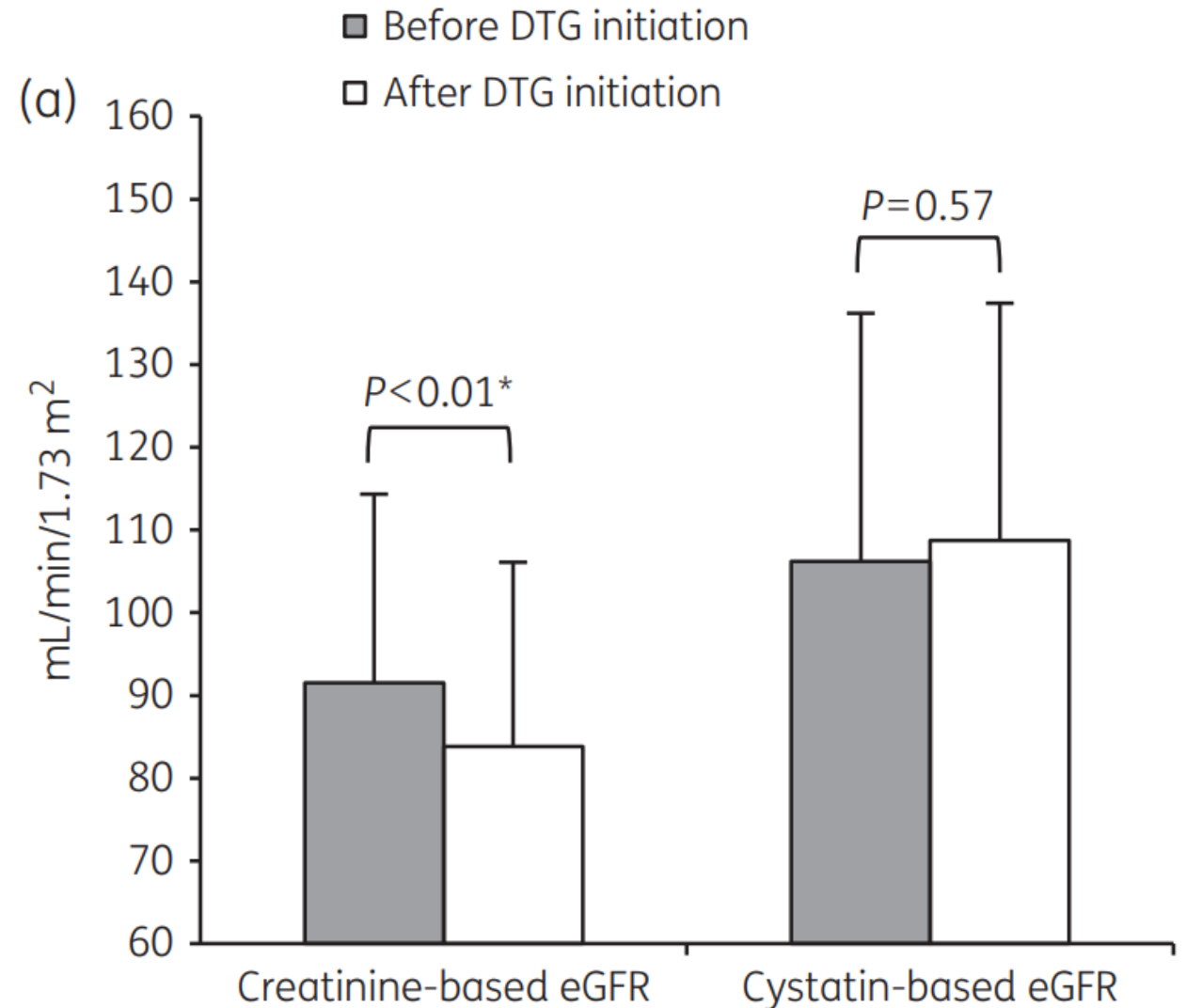
DTG and BIC decreases tubular secretion of creatinine without affecting glomerular function



Plasma cystatin C as a marker for eGFR assessment in HIV- infected patients treated with DTG-based ART

- 44 PWH who received DTG [6 ART naïve & 38 ART switching] performed both serum creatinine and cystatin C.
- **Primary outcome:** evaluate the changes in creatinine- and cystatin C-based eGFR before and after DTG initiation.
 - eGFR calculation: $\text{CKD-EPI}_{\text{creat}}$ and $\text{CKD-EPI}_{\text{cyst}}$
 - Mediant time of DTG exposure: 41 days

Conclusions: Creatinine values increased after DTG initiation, whereas **no change** was observed for cystatin C values.



Variation in plasma creatinine- and cystatin-based eGFR after DTG initiation

INSTI-containing ART and Increased Serum Creatinine

- DTG, EVG/c and BIC **decreases tubular secretion of creatinine** without affecting glomerular function.
- Serum creatinine are observed raising typically within the first **4** weeks of DTG or BIC therapy
 - Median increase of **0.10 - 0.2** mg/dL after 48 weeks
- Patients with a confirmed increase in serum creatinine **>0.4 mg/dL** from baseline should be monitored closely and evaluated for evidence of TDF-related proximal renal tubulopathy. [based on ECV/c recommendation]

Case 2: A middle-aged Thai male with increased serum creatinine

Management

- Continue TDF/FTC/DTG, inform and reassure the patient.
- Investigation: urine glucose: 1 mg/dL, urine potassium: 8 mg/dL, urine phosphate: 11.3 mg/dL [FePO₄: 12.8%]
- Ultrasonography of KUB (JUN-2023): normal size and shape of both kidneys, normal cortex and medulla

Date	Treatment	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]	BW [kg]/ BMI [kg/m ²]	Creatinine [mg/dL]	BUN [mg/dL]	EGFR* [mL/min/1.73 m ²]
JUN-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	<20	73/24.1	1	11.6	92
DEC-2022	TDF/FTC/DTG	NA	78/25.8	1.37	14.5	67
JUN-2023	TDF/FTC/DTG	<20	75/24.8	1.28	12.7	77

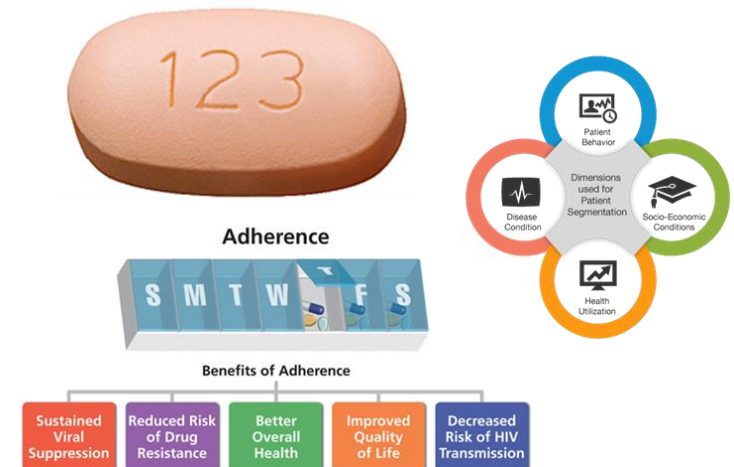
*eGFR calculation by Cockcroft-Gault Equation

Case 2: Summary and Key points

- DTG , EVG/c and BIC **decreases tubular secretion of creatinine** without affecting glomerular function.
- Patients with a confirmed increase in serum creatinine **> 0.4 mg/dL** after initiated INSTI should be caution and intensive investigation to confirmed AKI from any cause.
- All INSTIs can lead to mild increases in creatinine levels, usually without clinical significance, but caution is needed in patients with **low eGFR**, when using other nephrotoxic drugs, e.g., TDF.

Case 3

A middle-aged Thai male with poor controlled T2DM



Case 3: A middle-aged Thai male with poor controlled T2DM

Case 58 yrs., male, government officer, live in Bangkok

- **Occupation:** government officer, **Health scheme:** civil servant medical benefit
- **First diagnosis:** Asymptomatic HIV infection (2008)
- **Physical examination:** unremarkable, BW: 83.6 kg, Height: 172 cm [BMI: 28.3 kg/m²]
- **Initial laboratory assessment**
 - Anti-HIV: reactive
 - CD4+ T cell: 138 cell/ μ L (9.1%)
 - LFT: ASL: 34 IU/L, ALT: 44 IU/L
 - HBsAg: non-reactive, Anti-HBS: positive
 - Anti-HCV: negative
 - FPG: 112 mg/dL
 - RPR : non-reactive, TPHA: negative
 - Cr.: 0.8 mg/dL (eGFR: 95 mL/min/1.73 m²)
- **Start AZT+3TC 1 tab oral at 8.00, 20.00 + EFV 1 tab oral at 20.00**

Case 3: A middle-aged Thai male with poor controlled T2DM

Date	Treatment	CD4+ T cell (%) [cell/ μ L]	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]
SEP-2008	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: AZT+3TC+EFV - TMP/SMX prophylaxis	138(9.1)	NA
MAY-2009	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: AZT+3TC+EFV	270 (11)	<20
2010-2016	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: AZT+3TC+EFV	340-497 (13-26)	<20
SEP-2016	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: switch to STR TDF/FTC/EFV at 20.00	557(26)	<20
2017-2021	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00	538 - 587 (27)	<20
OCT-2022	- Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/EFV at 22.00 - Patient ask for change to INSTI-based regimen - No drug adverse effect from TDF/FTC/EFV	547 (30%)	<20

Adherence: Good (>95%)

Case 3: A middle-aged Thai male with poor controlled T2DM

Date	T2DM Treatment	BW [kg]/ BMI [kg/m ²]	BP [mmHg]	FPG [mg/dL]	Hb A1C [%]	LDL/HDL [mg/dL]
FEB-2011	Metformin 850 mg/day	83.6/ 28.3	130/90	208	7.8	160/55
JAN-2012	Metformin 1,700 mg/day Glipizide 5 mg/day	88/ 29.8	130/90	140-160	6.5-7.9	130/44
2013-2019	Metformin 2,450 mg/day Glipizide 20 mg/day	90/ 30.5	140/90	158-180	6.9-7.6	70-117/40-45
2020-2022	Metformin 2,450 mg/day Glipizide 20 mg/day Pioglitazone 15 mg/day	96/ 32.5	150/90	143-185	7.5-10	70-90/40-45
OCT-2022	Metformin 2,000 mg/day Vildagliptin 100 mg/day Gliclazide 60 mg/day	97/ 32.8	140/80	170	7.7	83/45

No diabetic retinopathy, no others macro or microvascular complication of diabetes

Case 3: A middle-aged Thai male with poor controlled T2DM

Additional history

- **Others underlying disease;** essential hypertension and dyslipidemia
- He was doing well, sedentary lifestyle, denied history of herb, over counter medicine or mineral supplement
- Exercise: not routine, social alcohol drinking (3-4 times/months), no smoking

Additional investigation

Sodium (mEq/L)	138
Potassium (mEq/L)	4.4
Chloride (mEq/L)	103
Bicarbonate (mEq/L)	21
BUN (mg/dL)	14.9
Creatinine (mg/dL)	1.06
eGFR (ml/min/1.73m ²)	77.5

Urinalysis

Sp.gr.	pH	Leukocyte	Nitrite	Glucose	Ketone	Uro billinogen	Billirubin	Blood	WBC	RBC
1.016	5	negative	negative	trace	negative	negative	negative	negative	0-1	0-1

Urine microalbumin: 4 mg/dL [< 29 mg/dL]

Case 3: Can we switch ART to TDF/FTC/DTG?

Problem List

- 1. Asymptomatic HIV infection on TDF/FTC/EFV**
- 2. Poor controlled T2DM**
- 3. Obesity [BMI: 32.8 kg/m²]**
- 4. Essential hypertension**
- 5. Dyslipidemia**

Current medications

- TDF/FTC/EFV 1 tab at 20.00
- Metformin/vildagliptin (50/1,000) 1-tab oral pc bid
- Amlodipine/valsartan (10/160) 1-tab oral pc od
- Gliclazide MR (60) 1-tab oral ac od
- Simvastatin (20) 1-tab oral pc od

INSTI-containing ART Associated Drug Interaction [1]

Concomitant Drug	INSTI	Effect on INSTI or Concomitant Drug Concentrations	Dosing Recommendations and Clinical Comments
Polyvalent Cation (e.g., Ca, Mg, Al, Fe, Zn)	DTG, BIC	Concentrations of PO INSTIs are decreased	Administer polyvalent cation containing drugs at least 2 h. before or 6 h. after DTG.
Rifampin	DTG	DTG AUC ↓ 54%	Use DTG 50 mg twice daily (instead of DTG 50 mg OD)
	BIC	BIC AUC ↓ 75%	Contraindicated
Metformin	DTG	Metformin AUC ↑ 79%	- Start metformin at the lowest dose and titrate based on glycemic control. (\leq 1,000 mg/day) - Monitor for adverse events of metformin.
	BIC	Metformin AUC ↑ 39%	Monitor for adverse events of metformin.

INSTI-containing ART Associated Drug Interaction [2]

Concomitant Drug	INSTI	Effect on INSTI or Concomitant Drug Concentrations	Dosing Recommendations and Clinical Comments
Dexamethasone (systemic)	DTG	↔ DTG	No dose adjustment needed
	BIC	↓ BIC possible	Consider alternative corticosteroid for long-term use or alternative ARV
Carbamazepine	DTG	DTG AUC ↓ 49%	Use DTG 50 mg twice daily (instead of DTG 50 mg OD)
	BIC	↓ BIC possible	Do not co-administer

DTG and Metformin Drug Interaction

- DTG decreases the renal clearance of metformin (MFM) by inhibiting organic cation transporters in renal tubular cells.
- Co-administration of dolutegravir 50 mg q 24 h. increased MFM area under the curve(AUC) by 79% and C_{max} by 66% in healthy subject.
- The clinical significance of these interactions is unclear.
- **Real life experience:** multicenter, retrospective case series evaluating 19 PWH concurrently prescribed DTG and MFM. [36.8% of PWH received MFM >1,000 mg/day]
- Efficacy: 72% had stable or decreased HbA_{1c} values
- Adverse effect
 - 68% increased serum Cr. (median 0.3 mg/dL), 16% had GI distress, 16% had hypoglycemic symptoms
 - 21% had adverse drug reactions resulted in MFM dose reduction and/or discontinuation

Case 3: A middle-aged Thai male with poor controlled T2DM

Management

- Continue TDF/FTC/EFV
- Diabetic controlled; diet counselling, encourage exercise and weight reduction

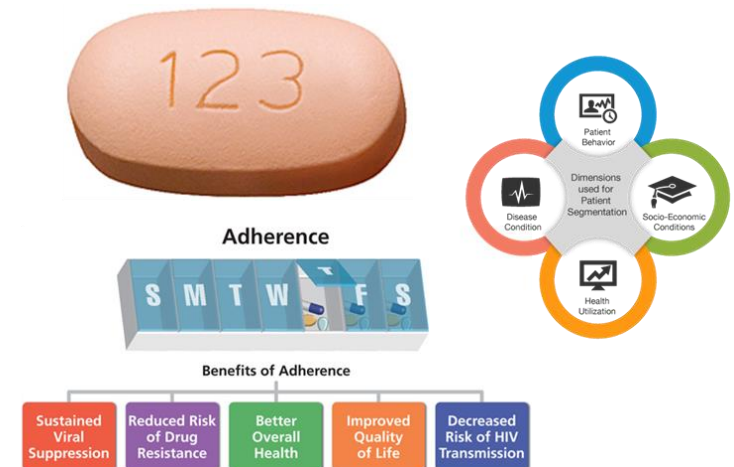
Date	T2DM Treatment	BW [kg]/ BMI [kg/m ²]	BP [mmHg]	FPG [mg/dL]	Hb A1C [%]	LDL/HDL [mg/dL]
OCT-2022	Metformin 2,000 mg/day Vildagliptin 100 mg/day Gliclazide 60 mg/day	97/ 32.8	140/80	170	7.7	83/45
JUN-2023	Metformin 2,000 mg/day Vildagliptin 100 mg/day Gliclazide 60 mg/day	97/ 32.8	130/80	172	7.7	76/46

Case 3: Summary and Key points

- Metformin had a significant increase in metformin levels when co-administered with DTG.
- This should prompt clinicians to closely monitor MFM adverse reaction especially **lactic acidosis** symptoms.
- Guidelines suggest limiting the total daily dose of metformin to **1,000** mg.
- Further understanding of these pathways, and the clinical significance of this drug interaction mechanism is needed.

Case 4

A young Thai female with first trimester pregnant



Case 4: A young Thai female with first trimester pregnant

Case 19-year-old female, unemployed, live in Bangkok

- **Consultation for HIV treatment from ANC clinic**
- She was pregnant (G1P0) with GA 9 weeks.
- She had unprotected SI with multiple sexual partner since she was 15.
- She had a small tattoo on her back which tattooing by her husband.
- **Past history:** no history of significance medical or surgical illness.
- **Alcohol & smoking:** social alcohol drinking (2-4 times/months), no smoking
- **Occupation:** unemployed, **Education:** secondary school, **Health scheme:** universal coverage
- **Couple:** husband (truck driver), 27-year-old, Anti-HIV: non-reactive, current smoking 10 pack-year

Case 4: A young Thai female with first trimester pregnant

Hb (g/L)	12.6
Hct (%)	38
Wbc (/ul)	8,400
Pmn (%)	57
Lymp (%)	29.3
Mono (%)	11.6
Eo (%)	0
Baso (%)	0
Plt (/ul)	333,000
MCV (fl)	80.2
RDW (%)	14
MPV (fl)	7.6
MCH (pg)	26.5
MCHC (g/dl)	33.1

Initial laboratory assessment

- Anti-HIV: reactive
- HIV VL: 203,000 copies/mL
- HBsAg: non-reactive, Anti-HBS: positive
- RPR : non-reactive, TPHA: negative
- Creatinine: 0.5 mg/dL [eGFR 137 mL/min/1.73 m²]
- AST/ALT: 17/17 IU/L
- Urinalysis: trace proteinuria
- CD4+ T cell: 214 cell/ μ L (9%)
- Anti-HCV: negative

Case 4: Can we start TDF/3TC/DTG?

Problem List

1. Asymptomatic HIV infection

- CD4+ T cell: 214 cell/ μ L (9%), HIV-1 VL: 203,000 copies/mL

2. First trimester pregnancy

- G1P0, GA 9 weeks

Current medications [start prior 2 weeks]

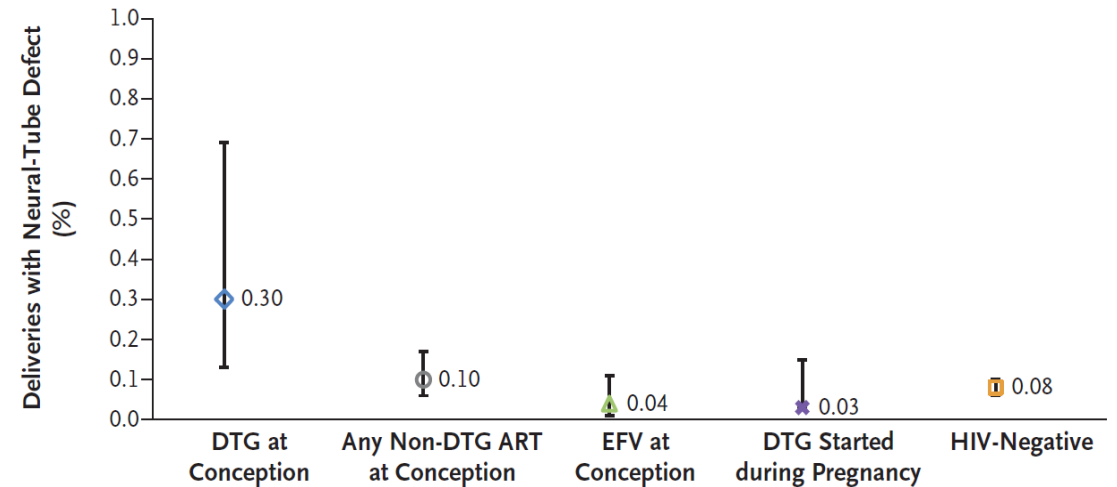
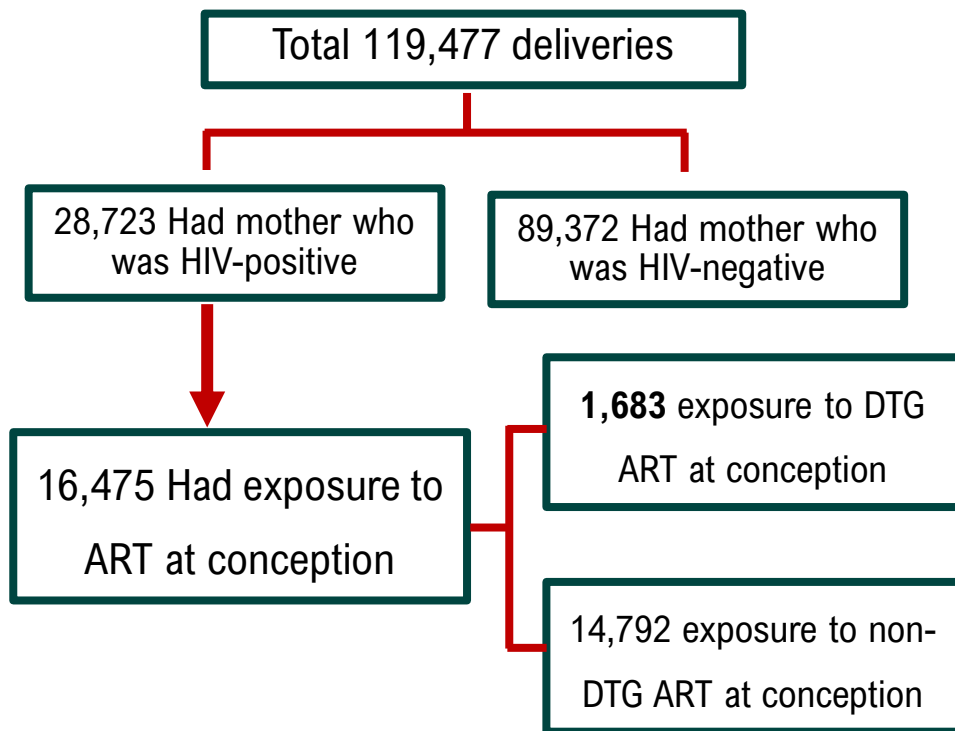
- Folic acid (5) 1-tab oral pc od morning
- Ferrous fumarate (200) 1-tab oral pc od morning

Case 4: A young Thai female with first trimester pregnant

Date	Treatment	GA (wks.)	CD4+ T cell (%) [cell/ μ L]	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]
DEC-2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asymptomatic HIV infection: start TDF/FTC/DTG at 20.00 - Pregnancy: folic and ferrous supplement 	9	214 (9)	203,000
JAN-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/DTG at 20.00 - Good adherence (>95%), no adverse drug reaction - Pregnancy: folic and ferrous supplement 	13	NA	NA
MAR-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/DTG at 20.00 - Good adherence (>95%), no adverse drug reaction - Pregnancy: folic and ferrous supplement 	24	350 (12)	87
MAY-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asymptomatic HIV infection: TDF/FTC/DTG at 20.00 - Good adherence (>95%), no adverse drug reaction - Pregnancy: folic and ferrous supplement 	33	NA	<20

Neural-Tube Defects and Antiretroviral Treatment Regimens in Botswana (The Tsepamo Study)

- Birth-outcomes surveillance at hospitals throughout Botswana during **AUG 2014 - MAR 2019**
- **Methodology:** surface examinations and photograph of all liveborn and stillborn infants by midwives.
- **Primary outcomes:** evaluated the signal for neural tube defects with follow-up of additional births.



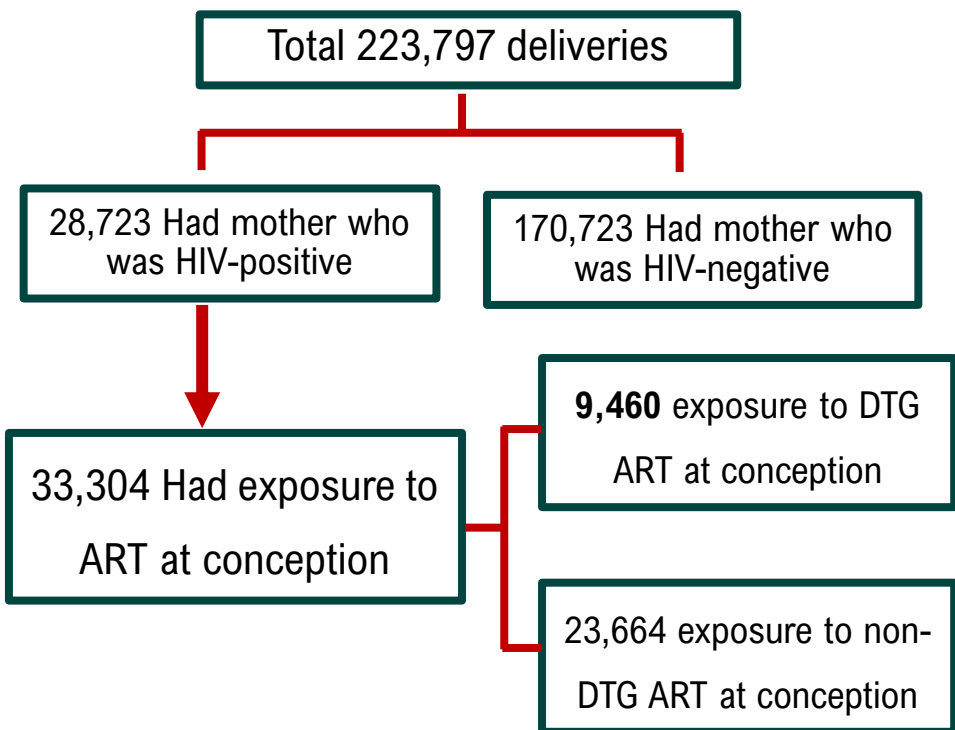
	DTG at Conception	Any Non-DTG ART at Conception	EFV at Conception	DTG Started during Pregnancy	HIV-Negative
No. of Neural-Tube Defects	5	15	3	1	70
No. of Exposures	1683	14,792	7959	3840	89,372
Percent with Defect (95% CI)	0.30 (0.13–0.69)	0.10 (0.06–0.17)	0.04 (0.01–0.11)	0.03 (0.00–0.15)	0.08 (0.06–0.10)
Difference in Prevalence (95% CI)	Reference	0.20 (0.01–0.59)	0.26 (0.07–0.66)	0.27 (0.06–0.67)	0.22 (0.05–0.62)
— Percentage Points					

Neural-Tube Defects According to Maternal ART and HIV Infection Status, AUG 2014-MAR 2019

Conclusions: The prevalence of neural-tube defects was slightly higher in association with dolutegravir exposure at conception than with other types of ART exposure at conception (3 per 1000 deliveries vs. 1 per 1000 deliveries).

Update on Neural Tube Defects with Antiretroviral Exposure in the Tsepamo Study, Botswana

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Prevalence Difference of Neural Tube Defects by ARV and HIV Exposure Categories

Exposure vs. Comparison group	Prevalence (%)	Prevalence Difference(%) (95% CI)
DTG vs. Non-DTG at conception	0.11 vs. 0.11	0.00 (-0.07, 0.10)
DTG vs. EFV at conception	0.11 vs. 0.08	0.03 (-0.05, 0.12)
DTG at conception vs. DTG started in pregnancy	0.11 vs. 0.06	0.04 (-0.06, 0.14)
DTG at conception vs. Women without HIV	0.11 vs. 0.06	0.04 (-0.01, 0.13)

Conclusions: The prevalence of NTDs among infants born to women on DTG at conception has declined slightly to 0.11% and does **not substantially differ** from other exposure groups.

These data support existing WHO guidelines that recommend DTG as first-line for use in all adults, regardless of reproductive potential.

Current Guidelines Recommendation for ART Initiation in Pregnant Women

Guidelines	Recommendation	Comments
DHHS 2023	- Preferred regimen: ABC/3TC/DTG, TXF/XTC/DTG, TXF/XTC/DRV/r	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preferred DRV/r regimen for initial treatment in people with early HIV infection and a history of CAB exposure for PrEP.] - First-trimester exposure to DTG has not been associated with increased risk of congenital anomalies, including neural tube defects.
EACS 2022	- Preferred regimen: ABC/3TC/DTG, TXF/XTC/DTG, TXF/XTC/RAL, TXF/XTC/DRV/r	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DTG to be discussed with women considering to become pregnant or if to be used in first 6 weeks of pregnancy. - TAF/FTC not recommended in first 14 weeks of pregnancy.
WHO 2021	- Preferred regimen: NRTI backbone + DTG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Benefit of DTG out weight risk
Thailand 2021-2022	- Preferred regimen: TXF/XTC/DTG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Benefit of DTG out weight risk - Recommended concurrent folic supplement and perform fetal ultrasonography at GA 18-20 weeks.

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Case 4: A young Thai female with first trimester pregnant

Fetal ultrasonography [FEB-2023]

- GA 20 weeks, female, no fetal anomaly

Perinatal care

- In labor: GA 38 weeks, Vaginal delivery

Her infant

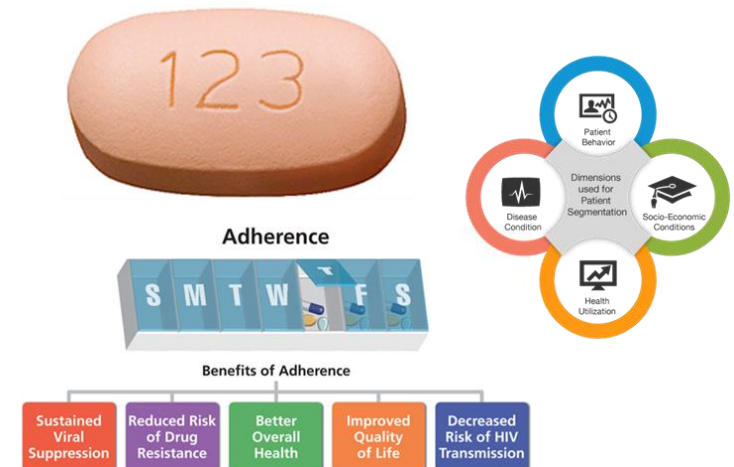
- A healthy girl, APGAR; 9, 10, birth weight; 2,830 gm.

Case 4: Summary and Key points

- The prevalence of neural tube defects among infants born to women on DTG at conception does not substantially differ from other ART exposure groups.
- Current evidence supported use of DTG among childbearing age and pregnant women.
- All current guidelines suggest use of DTG-containing regimen ART among childbearing age and pregnant women.

Case 5

An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure



Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Case 75 yrs., male, retired, live in Bangkok

- **Occupation:** retired (previous government employee), **Health scheme:** universal coverage
- **First diagnosis:** AIDS with Pneumocystis pneumonia(2002; age 54-year-old)
- **Initial laboratory assessment (2002)**
 - Anti-HIV: reactive
 - CD4+ T cell: 183 cell/ μ L (10%)
 - HBsAg: non-reactive, Anti-HBS: negative
 - Anti-HCV: negative
 - RPR : non-reactive, TPHA: negative
 - Cr.: 0.9 mg/dL (eGFR: 95 mL/min/1.73 m²)
- **Start d4T/3TC/NVP (GPOvir S-30) 1 tab oral at 8.00, 20.00 (2002)**

Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Date	Treatment [1]	CD4+ T cell (%) [cell/ μ L]	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]
2002	- AIDS: start d4T/3TC/NVP (GPOvir S-30) 1 tab oral at 8.00, 20.00	183 (10)	NA
2002-2015	- HIV infection: d4T/3TC/NVP (GPOvir S-30)	255-344 (13-18)	<20
DEC-2016	- HIV infection: d4T/3TC/NVP (GPOvir S-30) - Virologic failure - HIV-1 drug resistant genotype: NRTI; M184V, NNRTI; G190A - Switch ART to AZT+TDF+LPV/r at 8.00, 20.00	143 (6.9)	14,700
MAY-2017	- HIV infection: AZT+TDF+LPV/r	414 (12.3)	<20
2018 - 2021	- HIV infection: AZT+TDF+LPV/r	238 -249 (11-12)	30 - 80

Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Date	Treatment [2]	CD4+ T cell (%) [cell/ μ L]	HIV-1 VL [copies/mL]
NOV-2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HIV infection: AZT+TDF+LPV/r - Enhance adherence counselling 	213 (12)	766
NOV-2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HIV infection: AZT+TDF+LPV/r - Enhance adherence counselling 	249 (12)	896
APR-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HIV infection: AZT+TDF+LPV/r - Virologic failure - HIV-1 drug resistant genotype: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NRTI; D67N - NNRTI; none - PIs: M46I, I47V, L76V, I84V 	143 (6.9)	2,840

Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Additional history

- Others underlying disease; none
- He was doing well, denied history of herb, over counter medicine or mineral supplement
- Adherence: 60-70%, usually forgot to take medicine and 1-2 h. late, complaint about pill burden.
- Lack of care giver; his wife pass away 2 years ago.
- Mild cognitive impairment
 - [Thai Mental State Examination score = 21]

Physical examinations: unremarkable

- BP; 135/70 mmHg, BW 44 kg., Height 160 cm [BMI 17 kg/m²]



Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Additional investigation

Hb (g/L)	12.6
Hct (%)	38
Wbc (/ul)	8,400
Pmn (%)	57
Lymp (%)	29.3
Mono (%)	11.6
Eo (%)	0
Baso (%)	0
Plt (/ul)	333,000
MCV (fl)	80.2
RDW (%)	14
MPV (fl)	7.6
MCH (pg)	26.5
MCHC (g/dl)	33.1

Sodium (mEq/L)	137
Potassium (mEq/L)	4.35
Chloride (mEq/L)	103
Bicarbonate (mEq/L)	22
Phosphate (mg/dL)	3.5
BUN (mg/dL)	13.5
Creatinine (mg/dL)	1.02
eGFR (ml/min/1.73m ²)	71

FPG (mg/dL)	100
Cholesterol (mg/dL)	145
Triglyceride (mg/dL)	108
HDL (mg/dL)	53
LDL (mg/dL)	81
Albumin (g/dL)	4.29
AST (U/L)	44
ALT (U/L)	21

Sp.gr.	pH	Leukocyte	Nitrite	Glucose	Ketone	Uro billinogen	Billirubin	Blood	WBC	RBC
1.015	7	negative	negative	negative	negative	negative	negative	negative	0-1	0-1

Urinalysis

Case 5: Can we switch ART to TDF/FTC/DTG?

Problem List

1. Acquired drug resistance HIV infection

- CD4+ T cell: 143 cell/ μ L (6.9%), HIV-1 VL: 2,840 copies/mL

2. Elderly with mild cognitive impairment and lack of care giver

Current medications

- Zidovudine (100) 2-tab oral at 08.00, 20.00
- Lopinavir/ritonavir (200/50) 2-tab oral at 08.00, 20.00
- TDF (300) 1-tab oral at 08.00

Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Cumulative HIV-1 drug resistant genotype

- **NRTI:** D67N, M184V
- **NNRTI:** G190A
- **PIs:** M46I, I47V, L76V, I84V
- **INSTI:** none

Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors

abacavir (ABC)	Low-Level Resistance
zidovudine (AZT)	Susceptible
emtricitabine (FTC)	High-Level Resistance
lamivudine (3TC)	High-Level Resistance
tenofovir (TDF)	Susceptible

Non-nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors

doravirine (DOR)	Susceptible
efavirenz (EFV)	Intermediate Resistance
etravirine (ETR)	Potential Low-Level Resistance
nevirapine (NVP)	High-Level Resistance
rilpivirine (RPV)	Low-Level Resistance

Protease Inhibitors

atazanavir/r (ATV/r)	High-Level Resistance
darunavir/r (DRV/r)	Intermediate Resistance
lopinavir/r (LPV/r)	High-Level Resistance

Principle of ART Selection in Multi-class Antiretroviral Treatment Failure

- Evaluation of virologic failure should include an assessment of
 - ART adherence, drug–drug and drug–food interactions, drug tolerability, **factors contribute virologic failure.**
 - HIV-RNA level and CD4 T lymphocyte (CD4) cell count trends over time.
 - ART history, and prior and current drug-resistance test results.
 - History of co-infection especially hepatitis B.
- Drug-resistance testing should be performed while the patient is taking the failing antiretroviral (ARV) regimen or within **4** weeks of treatment discontinuation.
- A new regimen can include two fully active ARV drugs if at least one with a high resistance barrier is included (e.g., DTG or DRV/r)
- Adding a single ARV drug to a virologically failing regimen is **not recommended.**

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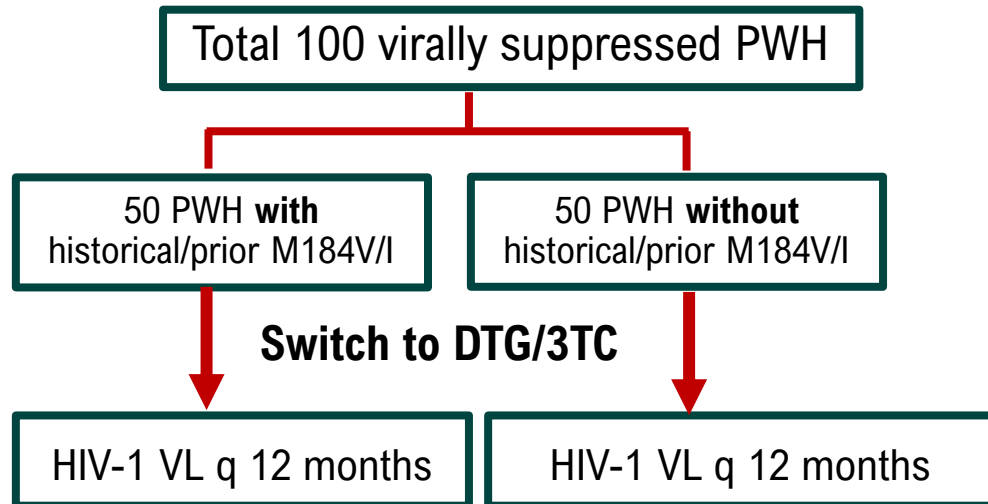
Principle of ART Selection in Multi-class Antiretroviral Treatment Failure

Failure regimen	Predicted mutation	Recommended new ART
NNRTI + NRTIs	NNRTIs RAMs	- Same NRTIs + DTG
	NNRTIs RAMs + M184V/I	- 2 active NRTIs + DTG
	NNRTIs RAMs + NRTIs RAMs (multiple)	- Boosted PIs + DTG
Boosted PIs + NRTIs	NRTIs RAMs (without PIs RAMs)	- 2 active NRTIs + DTG or boosted PIs - RPV + DTG
	NRTIs RAMs + PIs RAMS	- 2 active NRTIs + boosted PIs or DTG - Expert consultation
NRTIs + RAL	M184V/I + integrase inhibitor resistance mutation	- Expert consultation
DTG + NRTIs	NRTIs RAMs	- 2 active NRTIs + DTG
		- Boosted PIs + DTG
		- 2 active NRTIs + boosted PIs
		- RPV + DTG

RAMs; resistance-associated mutations

Prior M184V/I and multiple prior virological failures have no impact on the efficacy of switching HIV+ adults to DTG/3TC through 96Wks in SOLAR-3D

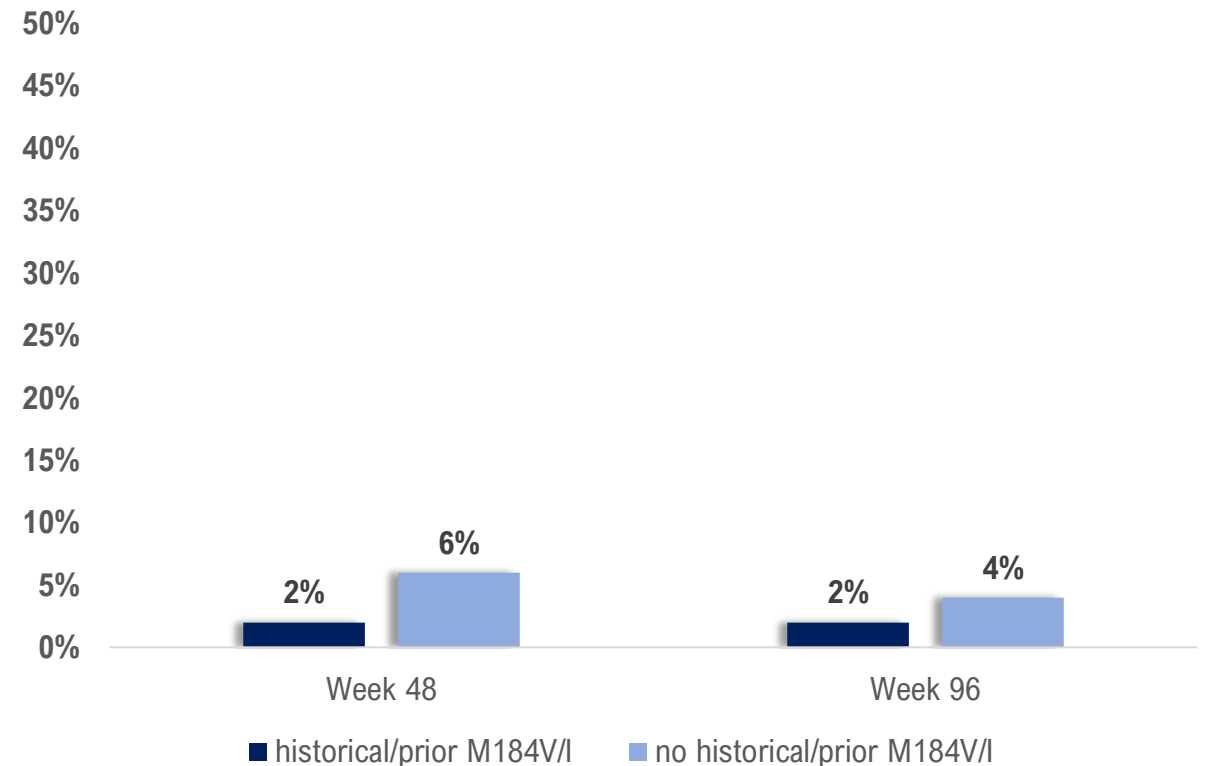
- Prospective, open-label, comparative 96-week study, enrolled from May 2019-April 2020 in US.
- Primary outcome: HIV-1 VL \geq 50 copies/mL at 48, and 96 weeks



Baseline Proviral DNA NGS demonstrated M184V/I was no longer present in 64.4% of those with prior M184V/I

Conclusion: Through 96 weeks, SOLAR-3D, confirms prior history/current presence of M184V/I does not impact the efficacy of DTG/3TC switching in virologically suppressed PWH.

Primary virologic outcome: HIV-1 VL \geq 50 copies/mL at 48, and 96 weeks



Case 5: An elderly Thai male with HIV virologic failure

Management

- Switch ART to TDF/3TC/DTG at 20.00
- Enhance adherence counselling
- **Follow-up visit at JUN-2023**
 - He was doing well, no adverse drug reaction
 - Adherence 90%
 - Plan follow up HIV-1 VL next visit

Case 5: Summary and Key points

- Drug-resistance testing is recommended in persons with virologic failure and HIV RNA >1,000 copies/mL.
- Carefully review ART history, and prior and current drug-resistance test results.
- A new regimen can include two fully active ARV drugs if at least one with a high resistance barrier is included (e.g., DTG or DRV/r)
- It is important to consider the factors contribute virologic failure before designing new ART regimen.
 - If possible, should be consider well-tolerated and adherence-friendly regimens.

Q & A

Thank You



Adherence



Benefits of Adherence

- Sustained Viral Suppression
- Reduced Risk of Drug Resistance
- Better Overall Health
- Improved Quality of Life
- Decreased Risk of HIV Transmission

