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**HIV in Children:
Thirty years of Discovery
and Challenges**

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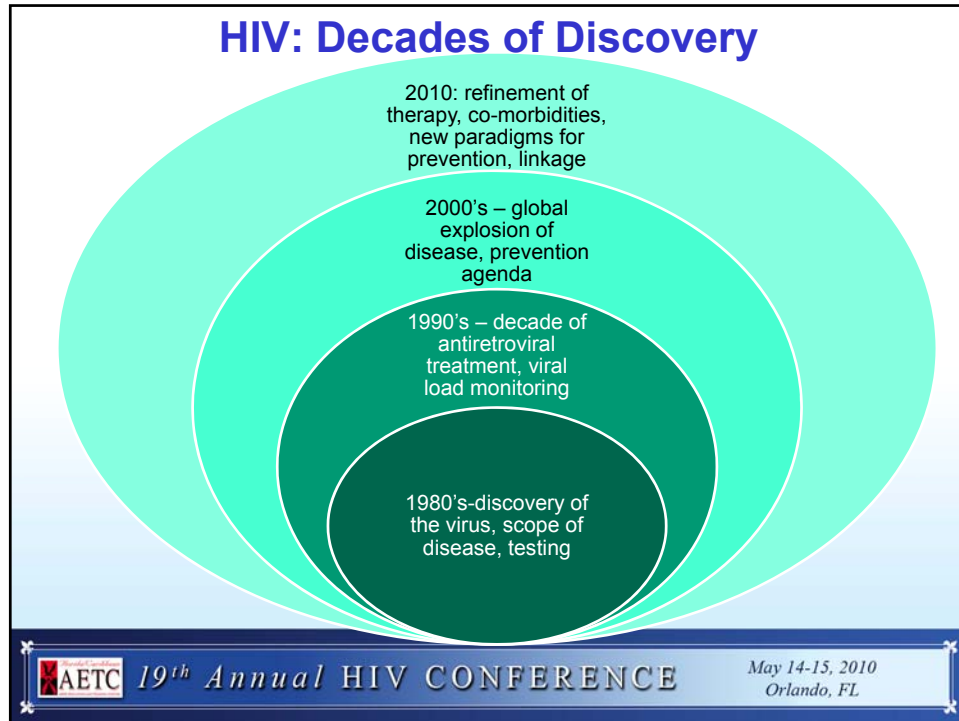
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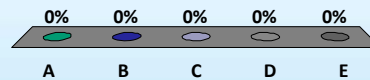
Objectives

- Review the history of the HIV epidemic in children in the U.S. and advances and challenges in the prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (MTCT) of HIV.
- Discuss the natural history of HIV infection in children and success of treatment in developed world.
- Highlight evolving concepts of antiretroviral treatment and acute and long term complications.

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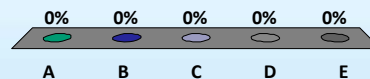
What is your role?

- A. Nurse
- B. Case manager
- C. Social worker
- D. Physician
- E. ARNP/PA



How long have you been involved in care or prevention of HIV?

- A. One year or less
- B. One to Five years
- C. Between five and ten years
- D. Before protease inhibitors were developed
- E. Since before someone shot JR on Dallas



Milestones in Pediatric HIV

- First cases of PCP pneumonia described in MSM in 1981.
- In 1983, Dr Scott reported 14 infants with an acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. The findings included failure to thrive, oral Candidiasis, infiltrates, HSM, lymphadenopathy, and diarrhea. Later studies showed most infections were transmitted vertically.
- 1988: Pizzo reports on use of Zidovudine in kids; 1989: Retrovir syrup approved.
- 1994: Results of PACTG 076 are released.
- 1995: Protease inhibitors begin large phase 3 testing.

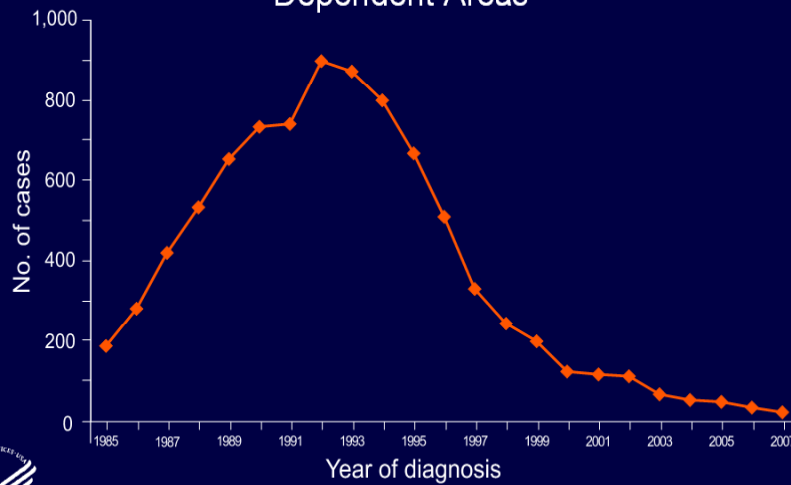


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Gottlieb M. N Engl J Med 2001;344:1788-1791


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Estimated Numbers of Perinatally Acquired AIDS Cases by Year of Diagnosis, 1985–2007—United States and Dependent Areas



Note. Data have been adjusted for reporting delays and missing risk-factor information.



“Dramatic success; but every HIV positive infant should be considered a failure”

Groups still at risk:

- Late presenters without prenatal care and those with acute seroconversion during pregnancy.
- Women seen in antenatal care but not offered voluntary counseling/testing
- HIV infected pregnant women who were prescribed but did not take antiretrovirals
- Those with substance abuse and mental health co-morbidities
- Unexplained “failures”



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Time of Maternal HIV Testing among Children with Perinatally Acquired AIDS, HIV Exposure or HIV Infection Reported in 2007—United States and Dependent Areas

	Perinatally Acquired AIDS N=73		HIV Exposure* N=2,361		HIV Infection† N=529	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Time of maternal HIV test						
Before or at birth	28	38	2,240	95	213	40
After birth	29	40	47	2	138	26
Unknown	16	22	74	3	178	34



*From 33 areas that report perinatal exposure.
†From 53 areas with confidential name-based HIV infection reporting.



In the State of Florida, Counseling and HIV Testing For ALL Pregnant Women is the LAW!

- **A practitioner attending a pregnant women should provide counseling and offer HIV testing:**
 - At the initial prenatal care visit,
 - At 28 to 32 weeks gestation for all pregnant women, regardless of risk behaviors.
- **“Opt-out”**-HIV testing is a routine part of prenatal screening, a woman can opt-out, in writing.
- Confidential, culturally sensitive and non judgmental
- Rapid testing during labor for women without documented HIV status
- Immediate postpartum maternal test or newborn HIV test if no previous results available
 - Initiate prophylaxis and confirm positives



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Evaluation of HIV exposed infant

Action ^a	Infant Age						
	Birth	14 d	4 wk	6 wk	8 wk	4 mo	12-18 mo
History and physical examination ^b	X		X				
Assess risk of other infections	X						
ARV prophylaxis ^c	—————>						
Recommend against breastfeeding	X→						
Hemoglobin or complete blood cell count	X		X ^d		X ^d		
HIV-1 DNA PCR or RNA assay ^e	f	X ^g	X		h	X	
Initiate PCP prophylaxis ⁱ				X			
Enzyme immunoassay for antibody to HIV-1 ^j							X

AAP, Pediatrics, 2008



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Diagnostic Testing in Infants

- **Presumptive rule-out of HIV infection**
 - 2 or more negative virologic tests
 - One at age ≥ 14 days and one at ≥ 1 month; or
 - One negative virologic test at ≥ 2 months; or
 - One negative HIV antibody test ≥ 6 months
- **Definitive rule-out of HIV infection**
 - 2 or more negative virologic tests
 - One at ≥ 1 month; or
 - One negative virologic test at ≥ 4 months; or
 - 2 negative HIV antibody tests ≥ 6 months
- **No other laboratory or clinical evidence of HIV infection**

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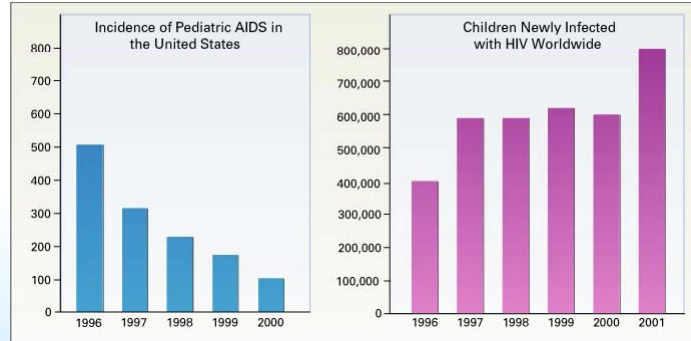
- **If any of the HIV-1 virologic test results are positive, immediately repeat to confirm the diagnosis of HIV-1 infection.**
- **Criteria for HIV diagnosis:**
 - 2 positive HIV virologic tests (NAAT-HIV-1 DNA or RNA) on separate blood samples (regardless of age)
 - Positive HIV antibody test with confirmatory Western blot (or IFA) at age ≥ 18 months



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U.S. data are from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and international data are from the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and the World Health Organization



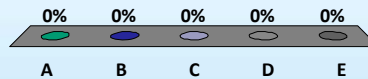
Steinbrook R. N Engl J Med 2002;346:1842-1843



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What is the approximate percent of pregnant women get routine prenatal HIV testing in the US?

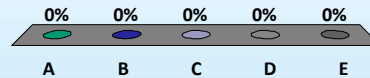
- A. 20%
- B. 40%
- C. 60%
- D. 80%
- E. >95%



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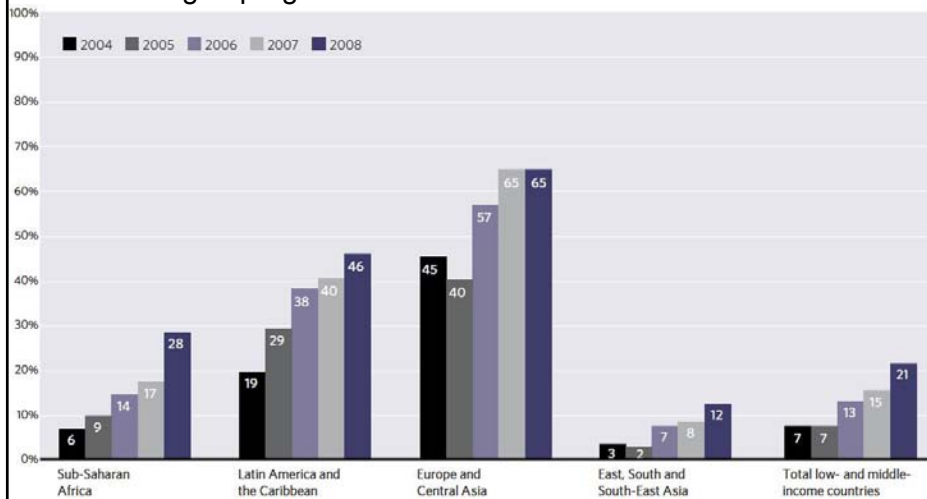
What is the approximate percent of pregnant women tested for HIV in Africa?

- A. <10%**
- B. 20%**
- C. 40%**
- D. 60%**
- E. >80%**



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HIV testing of pregnant women in low and middle income countries



WHO, UNAIDS, UNICEF. *Towards universal access: scaling up priority HIV/AIDS interventions in the health sector. Progress report 2009.*

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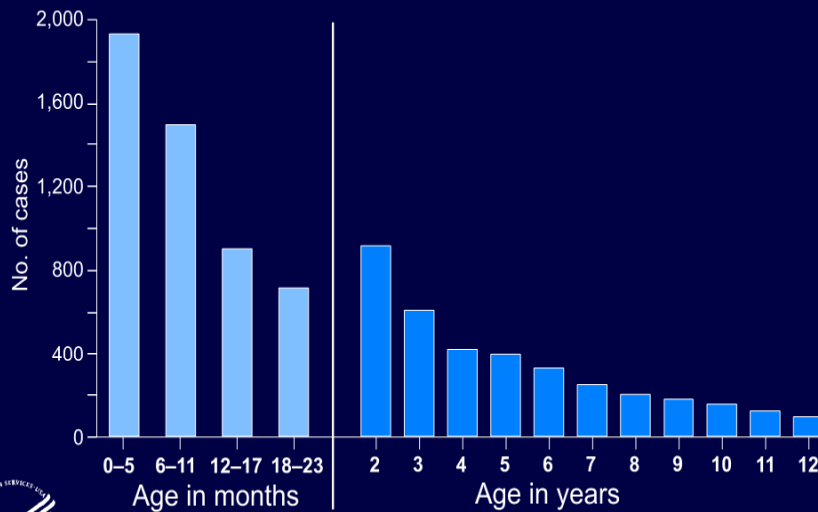
Natural History of HIV-Infected Children (US and Europe pre HAART)

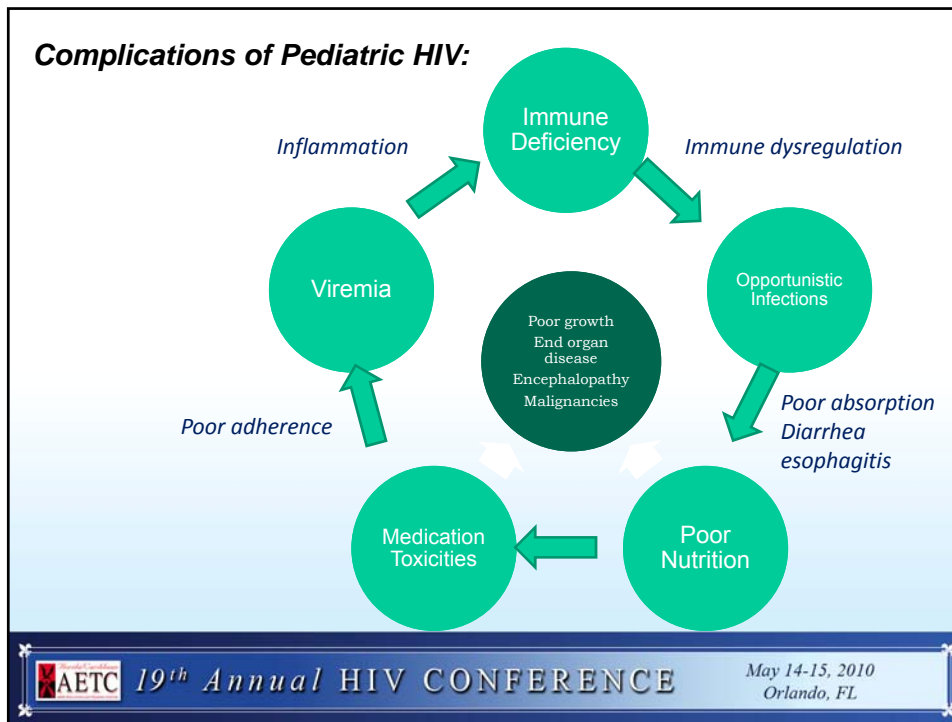
- Rapid progressors - 20% of patients
- Intermediate/slow progressors - 60-75%
- Long term survivors/late progressors - 5-10%
- Overall median survival time for perinatal infection is 8 to 9 years
- Immune status poorly reflects clinical status

*Pediatrics 2001;108:116–122
CID 2007 ; 45; 785-794*



Reported Perinatally Acquired AIDS Cases, by Age at Diagnosis
Cumulative through 2007—United States and Dependent Areas



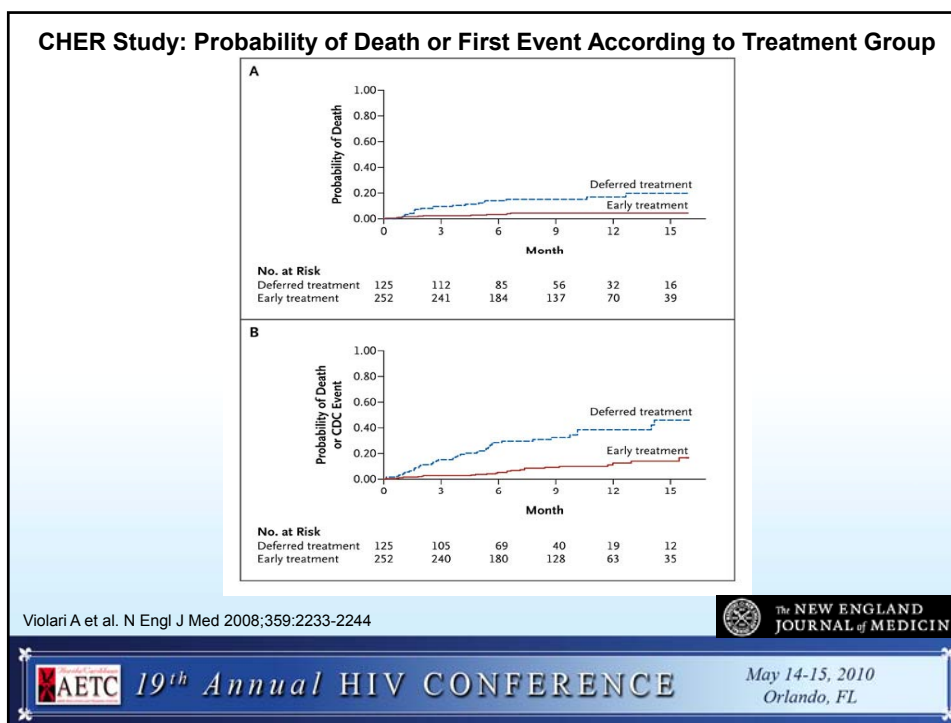


Symptomatic HIV in the First Year

- **Failure to thrive**
>50% will have Wt & Ht < 5%
- **Developmental Delay**
30% will have HC < 5%
20% will have cortical atrophy on CT
40% will have abnormal motor function
- **Opportunistic infections**
PCP, Candidiasis, diarrhea
- **AIDS defining illness in first year associated with median survival 7 months**

Englund PIDJ, 1996
Pediatrics 2001;108:116-122





ART Initiation: Infants <12 Months

- Youngest children are at greatest risk of rapid disease progression
- Clinical and laboratory markers are poor indicators of risk of rapid progression in infants
- Limited data suggest early ART reduces risk of HIV progression and death
- Limited information on appropriate ARV dosing
- **Recommended for infants regardless of clinical status, CD4 %, or viral load**
 - Assess and discuss adherence issues before initiation
 - It is not known whether ART begun in early infancy can safely be discontinued after months or years of therapy

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Types of Initial ART Regimens

- **NNRTI-based**
(1 NNRTI + 2 NRTI backbone)
- **PI-based**
(1 or 2 PIs + 2 NRTI backbone)
- **3 NRTIs**
(ZDV + 3TC + ABC for use only in special circumstances)

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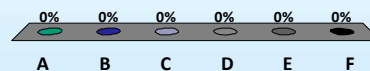


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What antiretrovirals have dosing for infants under 3 months?

- A. Zidovudine, Lamuvidine
- B. Lopinavir
- C. Efavirenz
- D. Nevirapine
- E. 1,2,4
- F. All of the above



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Current ARV Medications

NRTI

- ✓ Abacavir (ABC)
- ✓ Didanosine (ddl)
- ✓ Emtricitabine (FTC)
- ✓ Lamivudine (3TC)
- ✓ Stavudine (d4T)
- Tenofovir (TDF)
- ✓ Zidovudine (AZT, ZDV)

NNRTI

- Delavirdine (DLV)
- ✓ Efavirenz (EFV)
- Etravirine (ETR)
- ✓ Nevirapine (NVP)

PI

- ✓ Atazanavir (ATV)
- ✓ Darunavir (DRV)
- ✓ Fosamprenavir (FPV)
- Indinavir (IDV)
- ✓ Lopinavir (LPV)
- ✓ Nelfinavir (NFV)
- ✓ Ritonavir (RTV)
- Saquinavir (SQV)
- ✓ Tipranavir (TPV)

Fusion Inhibitor

- ✓ Enfuvirtide (ENF, T-20)

CCR5 Antagonist

- Maraviroc (MVC)

Integrase Inhibitor

- Raltegravir (RAL)

✓ = FDA approved for pediatric treatment

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Clinical Course

- **Once past the first few years of life, the clinical visits are more often asymptomatic, in both treated or untreated patients.**
- **Treatment with HAART before AIDS defining illness associated with significantly slower progression.**

With HAART:

- 75% decrease in hospitalization rates
- Marked improvement in survival
- Early HAART-75% decrease in early death in CHER study

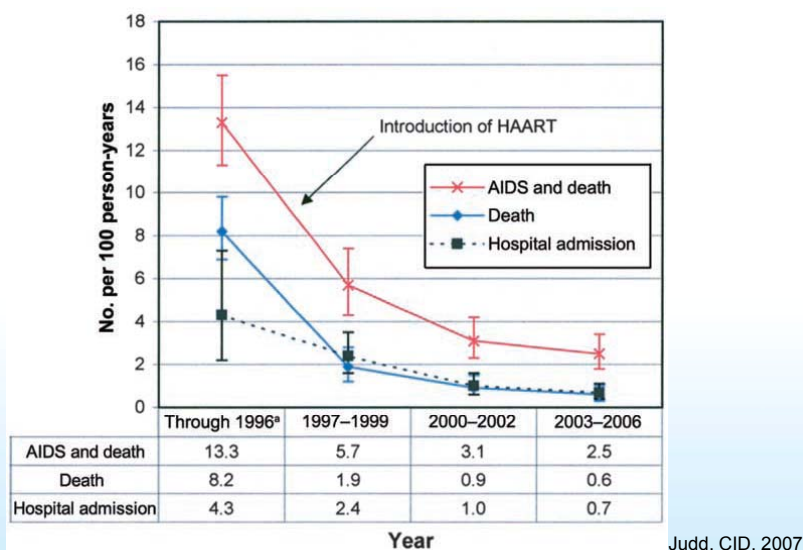
Pediatrics 2007;120:e236-e243
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Morbidity and Mortality in Children with HIV



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ART: Age ≥ 12 Months

- Risk of disease progression is lower for older children than for infants
- Optimal time to initiate therapy in asymptomatic children or those with high CD4 counts or % is not known
- Data suggest immune response to ART is better when treatment is initiated at higher CD4 % or count
- HIV RNA may provide information about progression risk as an adjunct to clinical and immune parameters
- Factors to consider in deciding when to initiate therapy
 - Increasing HIV RNA levels (e.g., approaching 100,000 copies/mL)
 - Rapidly declining CD4 count or % to values approaching severe suppression
 - Development of clinical symptoms
 - Ability of caregiver and child to adhere to regimen

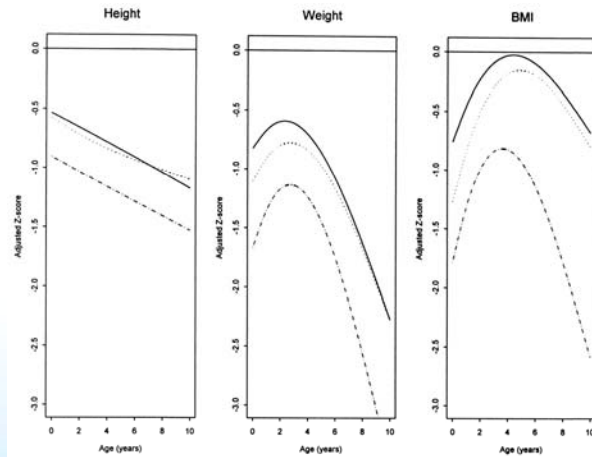
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Impact of HIV Disease Category on Growth- z scores



The European Collaborative Study, Paediatrics 2003;111:e52-e60

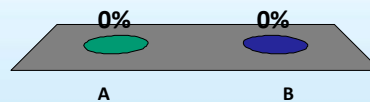
Solid line-asymptomatic; dots –moderate; dashes – Category C

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Children respond to ART treatment at the same level as adults

- A. True**
- B. False**



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Clinical Considerations

- HIV RNA and CD4 count or % are independently predictive of risk of disease progression
- Both help determine when to start and when to change ART
- CD4 count and % may be more useful than HIV RNA in evaluating risk in infants <12 months of age; in older children, both parameters are useful
- A 5-fold ($.7 \log_{10}$) change in HIV RNA copies/mL in infants or 3-fold ($.5 \log_{10}$) change in children aged ≥ 2 years is biologically and clinically significant

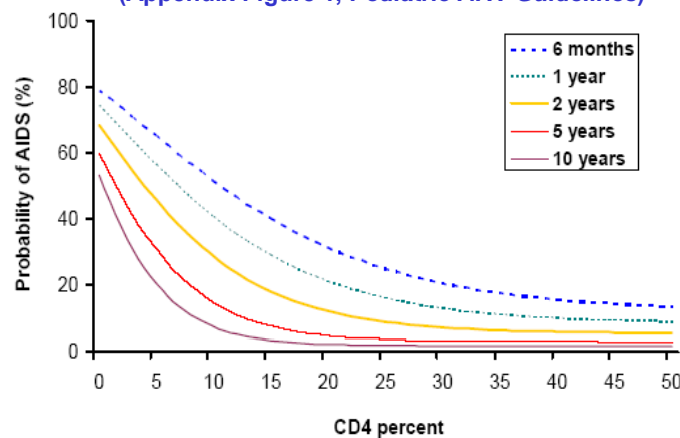
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Estimated Probability of AIDS within 12 Months by Age and CD4 Percentage in HIV-Infected Children Receiving No Therapy or Zidovudine Monotherapy
(Appendix Figure 1, *Pediatric ARV Guidelines*)



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CDC CLINICAL CATEGORIES

Category N: Not symptomatic

Children who have no signs or symptoms considered to be the result of HIV infection or who have only *one* of the conditions listed in category A.

Category A: Mildly Symptomatic

Children with two or more of the following conditions but none of the Conditions listed in category B or C:

- Lymphadenopathy (>0.5 cm at 2 or more sites; Bilateral=1 site)
- Hepatomegaly
- Splenomegaly
- Dermatitis
- Parotitis
- Recurrent or persistent URI, sinusitis or otitis media

Category B: Moderately Symptomatic

Children who have symptomatic conditions (other than in A or C), that are related to HIV infection, e.g. Bacterial meningitis, pneumonia or sepsis (single episode); Cardiomyopathy; LIP; etc.

Category C: Severely symptomatic

Children with any condition listed in the 1987 surveillance case definition For acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, with exception of LIP.



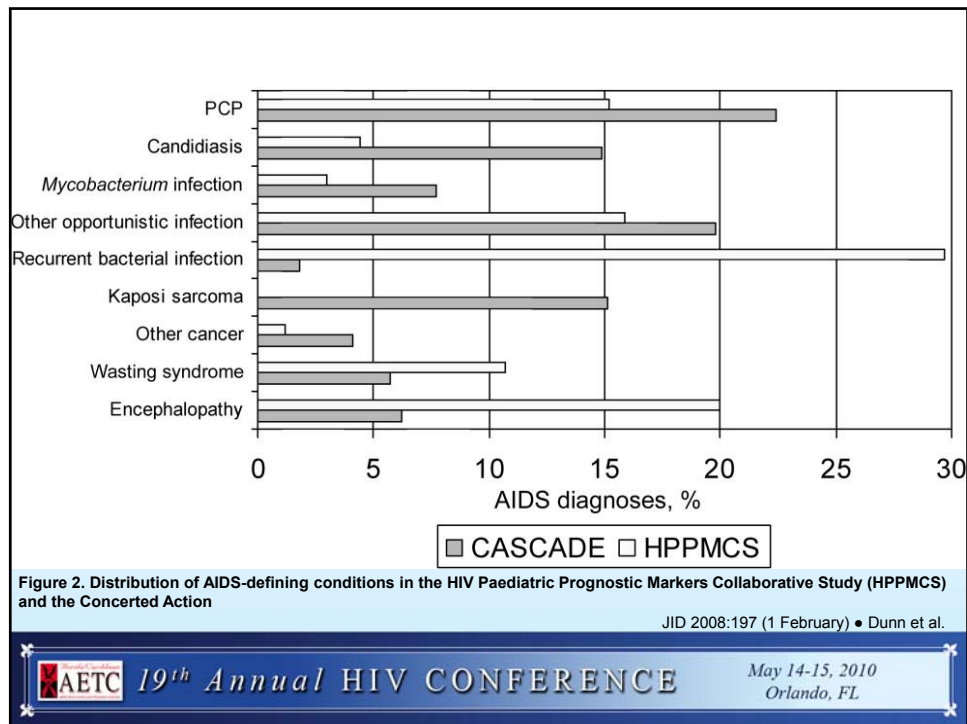
AIDS-defining Conditions Most Commonly Reported for Children <13 Years of Age, Cumulative through 2007 United States and Dependent Areas

Condition	No.	%*
<i>Pneumocystis jirovecii</i>	3,316	35
Lymphoid interstitial pneumonitis	2,201	23
Recurrent bacterial infections	1,999	21
HIV wasting syndrome	1,801	19
HIV encephalopathy	1,670	17
Candida esophagitis	1,619	17
Cytomegalovirus disease	1,040	11
<i>Mycobacterium avium</i> infection	847	9
Severe herpes simplex infection	512	5
Cryptosporidiosis	489	5
Pulmonary candidiasis	363	4



*>1 diagnosis reported for some children; 9,530 children have been reported with AIDS through 2007.





Infectious Complications

- **Throughout Immune Categories:**
 - Bacterial infections: Bacteremias, meningitis, pneumonia with common pediatric pathogens
 - Tuberculosis
 - Candidiasis
- **Advancing Immunodeficiency:**
 - Opportunists: PCP, *Mycobacterium avium*, Herpes simplex and zoster, Cryptococcus, CMV

Pediatrics 2005;115:e488-e494;
Pediatrics 2007;120:e236-e243

Presentation of late perinatally infected disease

- **Children who present after 6-10 years of age with previous unrecognized HIV infection. May be relatively asymptomatic until sentinel event.**
 - Cryptococcal meningitis
 - Wasting and chronic diarrhea
 - Symptomatic Cardiomyopathy
 - CNS Vasculitis and encephalopathy
 - Immune thrombocytopenia, severe anemia
 - Severe HSV
 - Recurrent bacterial parotitis, lymphadenitis
- **Maternal death, change in guardianship**



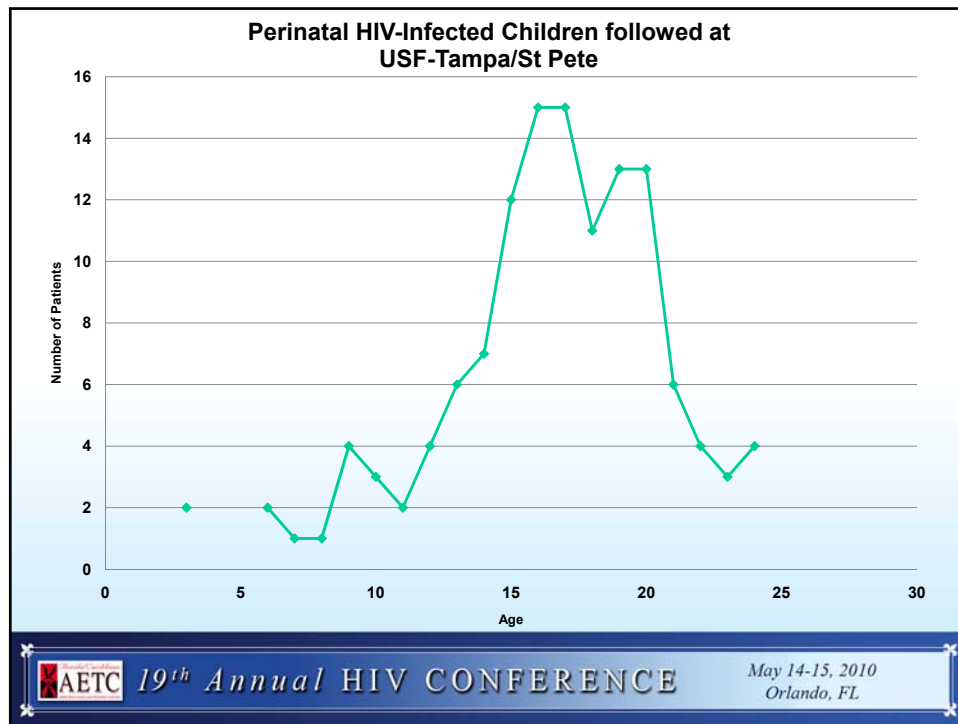
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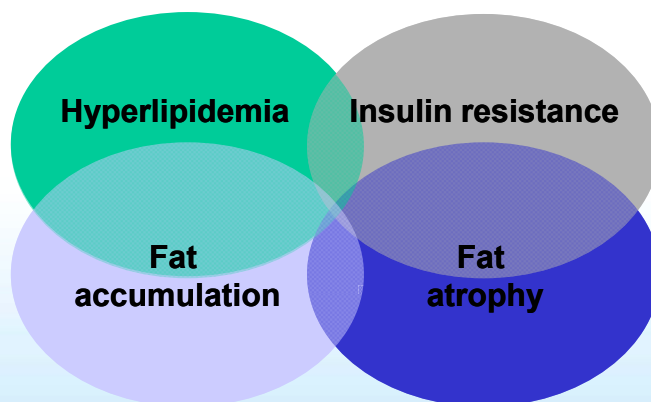


Long Term Complications of HIV

- **Growth and Metabolic issues**
- **Cardiovascular**
- **Neurodevelopmental**
- **Renal**
- **Bone**
- **Malignancy**

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HIV-Associated Lipodystrophy



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Fat Abnormalities in HIV-infected Children

- **Lipoatrophy and lipodystrophy are distinct clinical syndromes that can co-exist in the same patient.**
- **Lipoatrophy:**
 - The loss of subcutaneous fat from the cheeks produces an emaciated appearance.
 - Subcutaneous tissue is depleted from the arms, shoulders, thighs, and buttocks (peripheral wasting), with prominence of the superficial veins in these sites.
- **Lipohypertrophy:**
 - The dorsocervical fat pad becomes variably enlarged (ie, buffalo hump).
 - The circumference of the neck expands by 5-10 cm.
 - Breast hypertrophy occurs.
 - Abdominal visceral fat accumulation (protease belly)



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Treatment Options:

- **Lipoatrophy:**
 - Switch from “D-drugs”
- **Lipohypertrophy:**
 - Exercise
 - Thiaglitazones ?, GH
 - Change from Protease inhibitors

PEDIATRICS Vol. 111 No. 3 March 2003, pp. e275-e281
Fisher M et al. 11th European AIDS Conference; 2007; Madrid, Spain. Abstract PS5/7.

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Spectrum of Renal Disease

- Incidence of renal disease lower in vertical acquired HIV. Less co-morbidities and confounders such as hepatitis co-infection, iv drug use, smoking
- HIVAN – advanced immunosuppression, high viral loads, proteinuria, progression to ESRD. Seen primarily in Black race.
- An American study (Andiman et al, 2009) showed that among the 2102 HIV-infected children, nearly 22% developed persistent abnormalities of renal function over a period of 30 months or more. More common in patients on Tenofovir, Ind, antinfectives



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HIV Renal Disease

- Retrospective cohort study from 1998-2007 of perinatal population- 33% had proteinuria and 11% in nephrotic range. Degree of proteinuria correlated with viral load.
- Responded to HAART and decrease in viral load. Untreated progressed to ESRD.
- Control of viral load with highly active antiretroviral therapy appears to prevent the progression of HIV associated renal disease and improve survival rates in infected children.

Chaparro, J *Pediatr* 2008;152:844-9



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Renal Disease and HAART

- **Unanswered questions:**
 - Long term consequences of early therapy
 - Increase early use of Tenofovir
 - Cumulative exposure to multiple anti-infectives and other drugs
 - Genetic and cardiovascular impact



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HIV and Malignancies

- An overall cancer incidence of 1.56/1000 person-years was documented in the PACTG 219c study. (1993-2003) Rates were higher for all cancers in the HIV-infected population compared to uninfected.
- Lymphoma (83%), Leiomyosarcoma, Kaposi's sarcoma most common cancers
- In multivariate regression, the cancer rate was 3.09 (95% CI 1.22,7.85) times higher in children with < 2 years of HAART use than in children with >2 years of HAART and 3.20 (95% CI 1.32, 7.76) times higher in children with < CD4 15% at cohort enrollment than in children with >CD4 15%
- In Italian perinatal cohort, cancer incidence rate dropped from 4.49/1000 person-years to 0.76/1000 person-years over 2 decades.

PIDJ, March, 2005
J Clin Oncol., 2007

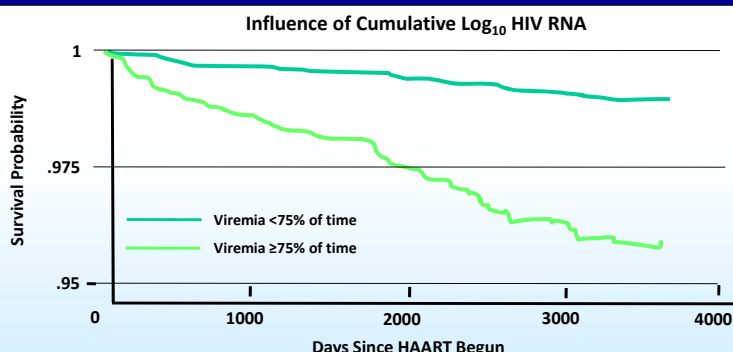


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Risks of Ongoing Virus Replication

- Retrospective analysis of German CLINSURV Cohort, n=6458
- Inclusion: Initiation of HAART until development of lymphoma or 12/31/06
- 94 lymphomas: 78 NHL and 16 primary CNS lymphoma
- Independent risks for lymphoma: MSM, older age, CD4+ count <200 cells/mm³, viremia (VL >500 c/mL) ≥75% of time





NHL = non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; CNS = central nervous system; MSM = men who have sex with men.
Zoufaly A et al. 15th Conference Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections; February 3-6, 2008; Boston, MA. Abstract 16.





Take Home Messages

- Every positive infant is a sentinel event for a community.
- Make diagnosis early, initiate treatment and aggressively monitor adherence.
- Amazing progress has been made, many new treatment options on horizon but still limited data in children
- Long term complications are evolving, requires continued vigilance.






Dedicated to all of the children and families who contributed to the knowledge presented here and the pioneers who cared for them.



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