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CROI 2019: selection

- UK case of remission
- ART: Long-acting injections, strategies and pipeline drugs
- Integrase and weight
- PrEP: TAF, bNAbs, vaginal insert, retention Slides are all from CROI 2019 original talks.

SUSTAINED HIV-1 REMISSION FOLLOWING HOMOZYGOUS CCR5 DELTA32 ALLOGENIC HSCT

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HIV-1 and CCR5 as a target for remission



- CCR5 is the most commonly used coreceptor used to enter CD4+ target cells
- \triangle 32 mutation is a 32 base pair deletion in CCR5, preventing expression.
- 1% of Europeans are \triangle 32 homozygous and resistant to R5 HIV-1

Case History

- HIV-1 Diagnosis 2003
- 2013: Stage IVb Hodgkin lymphoma
 Atripla initiated. Viral suppression achieved
 Switch to TDF/FTC/Raltegravir (ABVD chemo)
- Failed multiple lines of chemotherapy and mobilisation for auto SCT
- Donor registry search for allo HSCT
 - Unrelated 9/10 HLA high-resolution match.
 - Donor homozoygous CCR5-d32 mutation



'The London Patient' Timothy Brown

- Homozygous for wild type CCR5
- Infection with R5 using virus
- Hodgkin Lymphoma
- Single HSCT
- No irradiation
- Reduced intensity conditioning
- T cell depletion with aCD52
- Mild GVH
- 100% T cell donor chimerism

- Heterozygous for $_32$
- Infection with R5 using virus
- Acute Myelogenous Leukemia
- Two HSCT
- Total Body Irradiation
- Full intensity conditioning
- T cell depletion with ATG
- Mild GVH
- 100% T cell donor chimerism

CROI 2019: ART and drugs

- Persistent low level viral load
- Cabotegravir/rilpivirine LA injections
- ART: Long-acting injections, strategies and pipeline drugs
- Maturation inhibitor, capsid inhibitor, PGT-121 bNAb
- ART and weight gain

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NONSUPPRESSIBLE VIREMIA ON ART FROM LARGE CELL CLONES CARRYING INTACT PROVIRUSES

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Non-Suppressible Viremia

- Can be caused by clonal proliferation of CD4⁺ T-cells carrying replication-competent proviruses: "Repliciones"
 - Some cells within the clones are producing virions
 - Clones are large $(10^7 10^8 \text{ cells})$ but overall are rare integrants (0.03 1%)
 - Intact proviruses are intragenic, within introns and in either orientation to gene

Clinical Implications

- Clinically-detectable viremia may not be due to non-adherence or drug resistance

Cure Implications

- Smaller clones may be producing infectious virus throughout lymphoid organs
- May fuel rapid viremia rebound off ART
- Need to eliminate or suppress repliciones!
- Have the potential to regrow.

Unanswered Questions

Mechanisms of clonal escape?

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LONG-ACTING CABOTEGRAVIR + RILPIVIRINE FOR MAINTENANCE THERAPY: ATLAS WEEK 48 RESULTS

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ATLAS Study Design: Randomized, Multicenter, International, Open-Label, Noninferiority Study in Adults with Virologic Suppression (Ongoing)



ART, antiretroviral therapy; CAB, cabotegravir; CAR, current antiretroviral; IM, intramuscular; INSTI, integrase strand transfer inhibitor; LA, long-acting; NNRTI, non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor; NRTI, nucleoside RTI; PI, protease inhibitor; RPV, rilpivirine; VL, viral load.

*Uninterrupted ART 6 months and VL <50 c/mL at Screening, 2× VL <50 c/mL ≤12 months; †INSTI-based regimen capped at 40% of enrollment; Triumeq excluded from study; ‡Optional switch to CAB LA + RPV LA at Week 52 for those on CAR; §Participants who withdraw/complete IM CAB LA + RPV LA must complete

52 weeks of follow-up; Participants received an initial loading dose of CAB LA (600 mg) and RPV LA (900 mg) at Week 4b. From Week 8 onwards, participants received CAB LA (400 mg) + RPV LA (600 mg) injections every 4 weeks.

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ATLAS Virologic Snapshot Outcomes at Week 48 for ITT-E: Noninferiority Achieved for Primary and Secondary Endpoints



CAB, cabotegravir; CAR, current antiretroviral; CI, confidence interval; ITT-E, intention-to-treat exposed; LA, long-acting; NI, noninferiority; RPV, rilpivirine. *Adjusted for sex and baseline third agent class.

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ATLAS Injection Site Reactions



• The majority (99%,1439/1460) of ISRs were grade 1–2 and most (88%) resolved within ≤7 days

CAB, cabotegravir; IM, intramuscular; ISR, injection site reaction; LA, long-acting; RPV, rilpivirine. Bars represent incidence of onset ISRs relative to the most recent IM injection visit.

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LONG-ACTING CABOTEGRAVIR + RILPIVIRINE FOR HIV MAINTENANCE: FLAIR WEEK 48 RESULTS

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FLAIR Study Design: Randomized, Multicenter, International, Open-Label, Noninferiority Study in ART-Naïve Adults (Ongoing)



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FLAIR Virologic Snapshot Outcomes at Week 48 for ITT-E: Noninferiority Achieved for Primary and Secondary Endpoints



noninferiority; RPV, rilpivirine.

*Adjusted for sex and baseline HIV-1 RNA (< vs ≥100,000 c/mL).

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A PHASE IIA STUDY OF NOVEL MATURATION INHIBITOR GSK2838232 IN HIV PATIENTS

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Background and Objectives

- In vitro, GSK2838232 has been found to have:1
 - A mean 50% maximal inhibitory concentration (IC₅₀) value of 1.6 nM (range: 0.8 to 4.3 nM)
 - Minimal impact of protein binding
 - A broad spectrum and potent virologic profile
 - Inhibited HIV-1 strains containing the polymorphism in the consensus Sp1 QVT region
- Clinical studies in healthy volunteers have found GSK2838232 co-administered with ritonavir:²
 - Has a mean half-life of 34 hours
 - Achieved steady-state by Day 4 to 7 for the once-daily dose
 - Has a well-defined PK, safety, and tolerability profile
- This **proof-of-concept Phase IIa study** assessed the safety and tolerability, antiviral activity and PK of GSK2838232 co-administered once daily orally with cobicistat in HIV-1-infected adults

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{HIV}}\xspace,$ human immunodeficiency virus; PK, pharmacokinetics.

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 $AUC_{(0-r)}$, area under the curve over the dosing interval; C_{max} , maximum observed

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Antiviral Activity of GSK'232 Robust reductions in 50 mg, 100 mg, and 200 mg cohorts; maximal effect in 200 mg cohort

		Change from baseline in plasma HIV-1 RNA		20 mg (n=7)	50 mg (n=8)	100 mg (n=10)	200 mg (n=8)
c ار	0.5	Т	Plasma HIV RNA (copies/mL)				
Mean change from baseline ± 95 ⁽ (SE) HIV-1 RNA (log10 copies/r	0.0		Max. decline from baseline, mean (SD)	-42,095 (37,576)	-49,066 (71,340)	-32,948 (54,291)	-33,149 (31,786)
	-0.5		Max. decline from baseline (log ₁₀ -transformed), mean (SD)	-0.67 (0.41)	-1.56 (0.67)	-1.32 (0.44)	-1.70 (0.38)
			>1.5 log ₁₀ copies/mL decrease from baseline, n (%)	0	2 (25)	2 (20)	5 (63)
	-1. 		<400 copies/mL, n (%)	0	2 (25)	2 (20)	4 (50)
	'	• 20 MG • 50 MG • 100 MG	CD4 count				
	-2.0	• 200 MG 	Change from baseline, mean (SD)	-1.4 (95.3)	52.0 (145.4)	40.7 (94.5)	11.1 (75.2)
		(BL) Study Day (FU)					

BL, baseline; CI, confidence interval; FU, follow-up; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; SD, standard deviation; SE, standard error

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SAFETY AND PK OF SUBCUTANEOUS GS-6207, A NOVEL HIV-1 CAPSID INHIBITOR

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GS-6207: First-in-Class HIV Capsid Inhibitor



• HIV capsid is essential at multiple stages in the viral life cycle

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• At doses ≥100 mg, GS-6207 plasma concentrations at 12 weeks were above the paEC₉₅ of 3.87 ng/mL *EC₉₅ determined in MT-4 T-Cell Line with WT HIV-1 (IIIB strain). C_{w12}, GS-6207 plasma concentration on Day 84; IQ, inhibitory quotient; paEC₉₅, protein adjusted EC₉₅

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THERAPEUTIC ACTIVITY OF PGT121 MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY IN HIV-INFECTED ADULTS

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bNAbs show a continuum of potency and breadth

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Different bNAbs target different parts of HIV-1 • envelope protein (gp120)



bNAb Ta

MPER • 10E8

CD4

• 3BNC117

 VRC01 • VRC07-523

CD4-binding site b12, VRC01, VRC07, NIH45-46, 3BNC117, VRC-PG04 PG9, PG16, CH01-04, PGT141-145, PGDM1400 V3/Asn332 glycan patch PGT121-123, PGT125-131, PGT135, 10-1074, 2G12 gp120/gp41-interface PGT151, 35022, 8ANC195 2F5, 4E10, 10E8 Slide adapted from Dan Kuritzkes presentation at CROI 2018

PGT121 Monoclonal Antibody

- Human IgG1 mAb targeting V3 Env epitope (IAVI, Theraclone, Scripps)
- Potent neutralizer of 60-70% of global HIV-1 viruses
- Therapeutic and preventive efficacy in rhesus monkeys:
 - Decreased viral load (VL) in SHIV-infected monkeys
 - Delayed rebound following ATI when combined with TLR7 agonist
 - Protected against SHIV challenge at <5 ug/ml concentration
- Here we present the first-in-human phase 1 clinical trial of PGT121

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Antiviral Activity of PGT121 in High Viral Load Group (Baseline VL 3.3-5 log cp/mL, N=9)



High Viral Load Group: Responders



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Low Viral Load Group: Participant 3D-A



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Summary

- Safe and well-tolerated, including by SC route
- Half-life **23** days (13 days in viremic, HIV-infected)
- Therapeutic efficacy in individuals with baseline VL 3.3-5 log cp/ml:
 - **5/9** participants responded
 - Median **1.7** log drop in 7-10 days with rebound at 21-28 days
 - All responders had PGT121-sensitive viruses at baseline
 - All rebound viruses were PGT121-resistant
 - Detailed sequence analysis is pending

Summary

- Therapeutic efficacy in individuals with baseline VL <3.3 log cp/ ml:
 - 2 participants sustained suppression for <u>> 6 months</u>
 - This is the longest observed suppression following a single bNAb infusion in a viremic HIV-infected individual
 - No evidence of enhanced cellular immune responses
 - Long-term virologic suppression likely due to exquisite potency of PGT121, even at levels below the limit of quantitation

RISK FACTORS FOR EXCESS WEIGHT GAIN FOLLOWING SWITCH TO INTEGRASE INHIBITOR-BASED ART

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Results I

972 adults switched to INSTI at median 7.8 years after parent trial entry. 691 had suppressed HIV-1 RNA at time of switch:

-82% male, 45% non-white

-Median age 51 years, CD4⁺ T cell count 610 cells/µL, and BMI 26 kg/m²

-63% switched from PI, 35% from NNRTI

-289 switched to RAL, 204 to EVG and 198 to DTG (median follow-up 1.8 years)



Results II

• In sex-stratified, adjusted models:

-White or black race, age ≥ 60 and BMI ≥ 30 kg/m² were associated with greater weight gain following switch among women

-Age ≥60 was the greatest risk factor among men

• DTG associated with greatest increase in annual weight gain.

	DTG	EVG	RAL		
	(n=198)	(n=204)	(n=289)		
Pre-INSTI	0.2	0.5	0.5		
	(0.11)	(0.008)	(<0.0001)		
Post-INSTI	1.3	0.9	0.3		
	(<0.0001)	(<0.0001)	(0.045)		
Pre-post 1.0 0.5 -0.2 difference (0.0009) (0.11) (0.37)					
kg/year (p value) DTG=dolutegravir, EVG=elvitegravir, RAL=raltegravir					

INTEGRASE STRAND TRANSFER INHIBITORS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH WEIGHT GAIN IN WOMEN

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CROI 2019: PrEP

- F/TAF vs F/TDF
- dual bNAb and penile exposure
- TAF/EVG vaginal implant
- PrEP retention/persistence in the US

THE PHASE 3 DISCOVER STUDY: DAILY F/TAF OR F/TDF FOR HIV PREEXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS

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DISCOVER Participant Disposition



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Baseline Demographics and HIV Risk Factors

		F/TAF n=2694	F/TDF n=2693
Demographics	Median age, y (range)	34 (18–76)	34 (18–72)
	Race, n (%)		
	White	2264 (84)	2247 (84)
	Black*	240 (9)	234 (9)
	Asian	113 (4)	120 (5)
	Hispanic or Latinx ethnicity, n (%)	635 (24)	683 (25)
	Proportion TGW, n (%)	45 (2)	29 (1)
HIV risk factors, %	≥2 condomless anal sex (receptive), past 12W	60	58
	Rectal gonorrhea, past 24W	10	10
	Rectal chlamydia, past 24W	13	12
	Syphilis, past 24W	9	10
	Recreational drug use, past 12W	67	67
	Binge drinking [†]	23	22
	Taking F/TDF for PrEP at baseline	17	16

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DISCOVER Primary Endpoint Analysis: HIV Incidence



F/TAF is noninferior to F/TDF for HIV prevention

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DISCOVER Adherence and Resistance Analyses of HIV Infections



- 7 F/TAF infections: 1 suspected baseline infection, 5 low levels of TFV-DP in DBS,1 medium level
- 15 F/TDF infections: 4 suspected baseline infections, 10 low levels of TFV-DP in DBS, 1 high level
- In a sensitivity analysis that excluded suspected baseline infections, noninferiority was maintained (0.55 [0.20, 1.48])

n	F/TAF n=7	F/TDF n=15			
Resistance genotyped*	6	13			
Resistance to study drugs					
FTC	0	4†			
TFV	0	0			
ections.	with resistance were	suspected baseline			

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Comparing DISCOVER Results to HIV Infection Rate In MSM at HIV Risk but Not on PrEP



PROTECTION AGAINST PENILE OR INTRAVENOUS SHIV CHALLENGES BY bNAb 10-1074 OR 3BNC117

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bNAb protection against intravenous SHIV infection - 10-

Group	bNAb	Dose	Route	Ν
1	10-1074 + 3BNC117	10mg/kg 10mg/kg	SC SC	5
2	Control			2



 No differences between groups for peak <u>vRNA</u> or AUC

Number	OTSHIV	A D 8 - E O	cnallenges

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	Median	Range
10-1074 + 3BNC117	5	4 - 9
Control	1	1-1

Cynomolgus macaques; 150 TCID₅₀ challenge dose

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Summary and Conclusions

- A single SC administration of 10-1074 (10mg/kg) or 10-1074 + 3BNC117 (10mg ea/kg) protected macaques against repeated penile or IV SHIV challenges for a median of 15.5 or 5 weeks, respectively.
- Protection in the 10-1074 + 3BNC117 group appears due to 10-1074, which persisted relatively longer in vivo
- The plasma levels of 10-1074 associated with breakthrough infection are similar among all major mucosal routes of HIV acquisition (0.10 – 0.5 µg/ml) and will facilitate dose selection for humans
- Higher level for IV infection (1.0 µg/ml) may reflect relatively higher challenge virus dose
- Our findings support the continued development of 10-1074 as a long-acting prevention for men, women and persons who inject drugs
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PROTECTION AGAINST VAGINAL SHIV INFECTION WITH AN INSERT CONTAINING TAF AND EVG

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TAF/EVG inserts administered 4h prior to SHIV exposure protects macaques against vaginal infection



PERSISTENCE WITH HIV PREEXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS IN THE UNITED STATES, 2012-2016

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Among commercially insured PrEP users, men persisted longer than women



Among Medicaid insured PrEP users, men persisted longer than women



Among commercially insured PrEP users, persistence increased with age



Among Medicaid insured PrEP users, younger users persisted for less time than older users



Among Medicaid insured PrEP users, black users persisted for less time than white users



Thanks

Questions...

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