# What's New in Opportunistic Infections and...Washington, DC

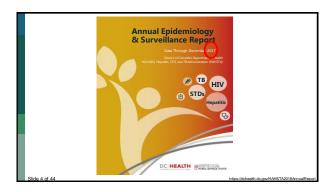
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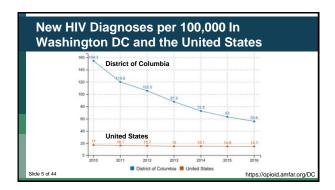
## **Learning Objectives**

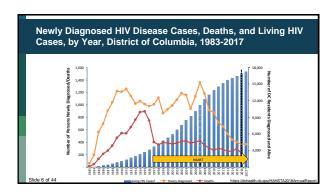
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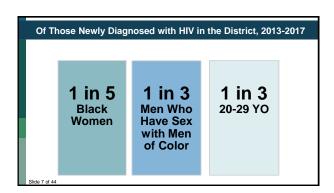
- Describe trends in HIV and opioid use disorder in Washington, DC
- Identify preferred regimens for tuberculosis chemoprophylaxis
- Prescribe newer immunizations appropriately in their medical practices

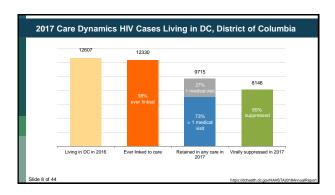
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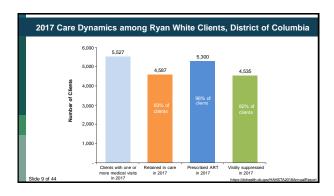


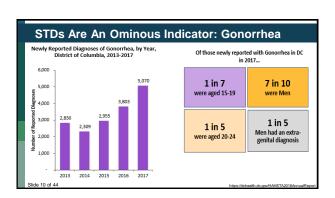




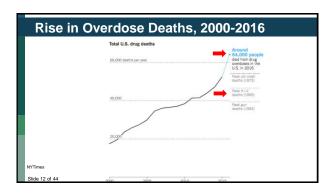


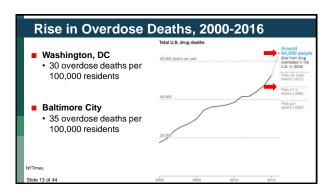


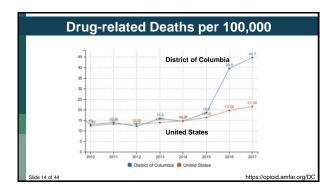


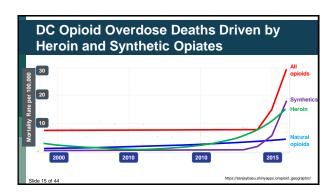


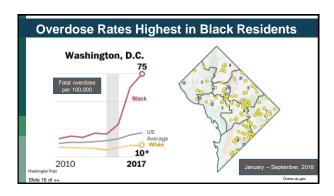












## **Opportunistic Infections**

What's New from CROI and Elsewhere

### What's New In Opportunistic Infections: 2019

- MAC
  - Primary prophylaxis no longer recommended for patients starting ART
- (If not starting ART, MAC prophylaxis is likely "an academic issue"
- HPV
  - Recommended for males and females 9-26 yo, but discussions about use to age 45yo, and revaccinating persons who received earlier vaccines (quadrivalent)
- Zoster
- HBV
- PCPTB
- Talaromyces

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### **ARS Question 1**

One of your HIV infected patients who is now 51 years of age (CD4>350/mm³, VL<20 copies/uL on a standard ART regimen) inquires about zoster vaccine. The patient had an episode of dermatomal zoster 5 years ago that was extremely painful and prolonged, and he does not want to have another episode. He had never been received immunization for zoster.

What should you recommend

- 1. No vaccine is needed; the patient now has adequate immunity
- 2. Give attenuated vaccine
- 3. Give recombinant attenuated
- Wait until the patient is 60 years old and then give a vaccine when the guidelines have better data

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## **Zoster Vaccine: Zostavax (LZV)** Live Attenuated Virus Vaccine-No Longer Preferred · HIV Negative Adults 1 Dose Regimen Recommended for Adults> 60 years old Robust data on safety, immunogenicity, efficacy • PLWH Safe, immunogenic, reduces Zoster Expert Opinion for PLWH CD4>200: Effective and safe CD4<200: Contraindicated

## **Zoster Vaccine: Shingrix (RZV)** Recombinant VZV Glycoprotein E and Adjuvant AS01B HIV Negative Adults 2 Dose Regimen Recommended for Adults> 50 years old Robust data on safety, immunogenicity, efficacy (n=30,000) Possible concerns for patients with transplants or autoimmune diseases

- PLWH

ACIP has not commented yet
Published: 94 heterogeneous HIV patients
Safe, immunogenic with longer lasting immunity than Zostavax

Zoster Vaccine: Shingrix (RZV) Recombinant VZV Glycoprotein E and Adjuvant AS01B				
Expe	rt Opinion for PLWH			
•	Because the vaccine is safe and immunogenic, and the risk of zoster is high, many experts are using 2 dose regimen of this vaccine (if available and covered by insurance)			

Questions for PLWH:

Age less than 50 years
Give pre ART or pre VL <50
Duration of immunogenicity
Safe, immunogenic with longer lasting immunity than Zostavax

# **ARS Question 2**

A 22 year old MSM with multiple partners was recently found to be HIV positive (CD4 =150 cells/uL, VL= 2 million copies/uL), started on an approved HIV regimen, and is now part of your patient panel for long term management.

He is Hepatitis B negative (HBsAg, HbsAb, HbcAb) and was never immunized

What do you advise him regarding HBV

- 1. Practice safe sex-no vaccine is indicated
- 2. No vaccine: wait until CD4 is >350 cells/mm3
- 3. Recombinant HBsAg (3 doses)
- 4. Hep B recombinant, adjuvanted vaccine

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- Who should be immunized
  - All HIV infected persons who are susceptible (HBsAb negative)
  - All family members and sexual contacts of HBV positive patients
  - HBcAb positive, HBsAb negative-controversial-probably immunize
- · What Vaccine to Use

  - Recombinant HBsAg
     Less immunogenic in PLWH but recommended by ACIP
  - Recombinant CpG1018 with TLR-9 agonist

    - One dose HIV Negative More immunogenic than Engerix B 3 doses Trend: more cardiovascular events---a concern!

  - PLWH: Limited data
- What Do Experts Do
- Not certain: some use Hep B recombinant, adjuvanted vaccine ....some don't!

### **ARS Question 3**

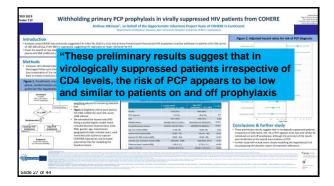
A 28 year old male was found to be HIV positive at the STD clinic and is referred to you for initial management. CD4 = 100 cells/mm<sup>3</sup>, VL = 1 million copies/uL. He has lived in Washington DC all his life and has no unusual exposures.

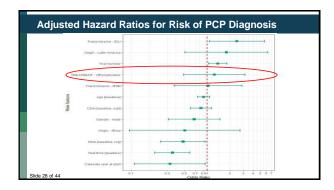
The patient will start on dolutegravir-emtricitabine-tenofovir-alafenamide and seems like he will be compliant.

What do you recommend for opportunistic infection chemoprophylaxis?

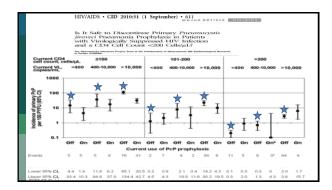
- 1. PCP prophylaxis only
- 2. MAC prophylaxis only
- 3. PCP and MAC prophylaxis only
- 4. PCP, MAC, and fungal (crypto/candida) prophylaxis

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# Patients grouped <200 cells/mm³ Prior manuscript separated 0-100 and 100-200 cells/mm³ Slife 29 of 44



## **Conclusions**

• What should you do?

Continue PCP prophylaxis until CD4 count >200 cells for everyone, regardless of VL or adherence to ART

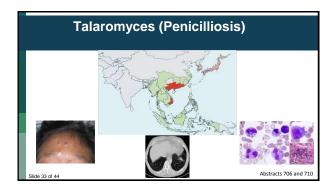
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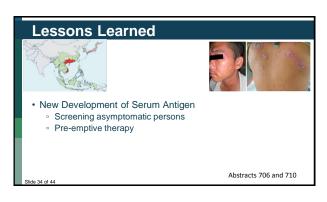
### **ARS Question 4**

What is Talaromyces?

- An emerging world wide pathogen that is increasingly being acquired in certain parts of the US
- 2. An important pathogen in immigrants and travelers from Central and South America
- 3. An important pathogen in immigrants and travelers from Asia
- 4. An important pathogen only in Asia, almost never seen in the US

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# Results of Screening Results for Positive Antigen Mp1p 20% Galactomannan 16% Crypt antigen 3% Follow Up: Symptomatic Disease in Antigen Positive Patients Mp1p 97% developed talaromyces Galact 79% developed talaromyces Crypt ag 62% developed tryptococcosis Follow Up: Symptomatic Disease in Antigen Negative Patients Mp1p 4% developed tryptococcosis Follow Up: Symptomatic Disease in Antigen Negative Patients Mp1p 4% developed talaromyces Galact 14% developed talaromyces Crypt ag 0% developed cryptococcosis

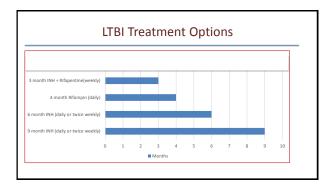
## Conclusions New Technology

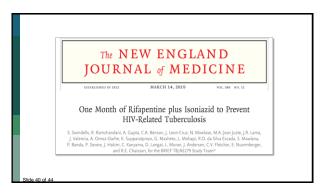
- Talaromyces is significantly more common in Southern China than cryptococcosis
- Screening is highly predictive of the development of active disease
- Screening and preemptive therapy would plausibly reduce morbidity and mortality
- There might be cases in US due to recent travelers and immigrants
- · Does reactivation occur months or years later?

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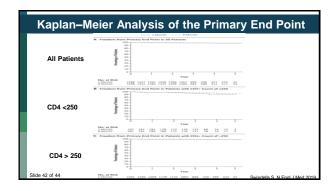
What Regimen Should You Be Using for TB Prophylaxis in Your Practice?

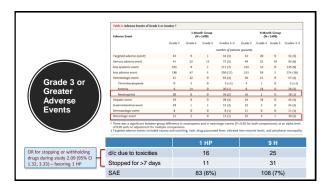
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# BRIEF TB Inclusion Criteria HIV+ > > 13 yr old Positive test for LTBI or Live in an area with TB prevalence of 5.60 cases of TB per 100,000 population If on ART, receiving either EFV or NVP – at least for the 1st month Primary Endpoint – Time to event – 1" diagnosis of active TB, death from TB, or death from unknown cause Secondary Endpoints – Safety, side-effect profile, deaths from other causes unrelated to TB





## **Conclusions**

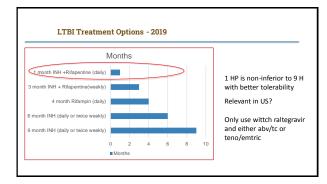
- A 1-month regimen of rifapentine plus isoniazid was noninferior to 9 months of isoniazid alone for preventing tuberculosis in HIV-infected patients
- The percentage of patients who completed treatment was significantly higher in the 1-month group (97%) than the 9 month regimen (90%).
- Only EFV or RAL based regimens and only TDF/FTC or ABC/3TC can be used with once weekly rifapentine

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## **Concerns About Study**

- · Non Inferiority Trial
- Not Validated for Low Endemic Area
  - High Endemic Areas (90%) and Low Endemic (10%)
- Latent TB Rarely Assessed
  - Only 110/3815 (23%) were skin test or IGRA positive
- Many not on ART (50%)
- End Points
  - Included deaths of unknown cause

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