IS THE END OF AIDS IN SIGHT?

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The end of AIDS?

How 5 million lives have been saved, and a plague could now be defeated



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Perspective

The Beginning of the End of AIDS?

Diane Havlir, M.D., and Chris Beyrer, M.D., M.P.H.

ENDING THE AIDS EPIDEMIC IS POSSIBLE

UNAIDS, The Gap Report, July 2014

GLOBAL TRENDS OF THE PANDEMIC THE BEGINNING OF THE END?

ADULT AND CHILD DEATHS DUE TO AIDS





GLOBAL TRENDS (WORLD)



AIDS-RELATED DEATHS

trends for top 10 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, 2005 and 2013



Source: UNAIDS 2013 estimates.

NEW HIV INFECTIONS

trends for top 10 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, 2005 and 2013



Source: UNAIDS 2013 estimates.

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY THE END OF AIDS?

PROPOSED DEFINITION

No new AIDS-defining events and deaths (including TB-HIV deaths)

HIV = chronic disease

No new HIV infections among adults and children

- the promise of an AIDS-free generation
- Elimination at population-level is often defined by modellers as an incidence below 1 per 1000 person-years

PREVENTING HIV TRANSMISSION

Sexual transmission

- Heterosexual women and men
- Homosexual men
- Mother to Child
 - during pregnancy, delivery and breastfeeding
- Blood transmission
 - Intravenous drug use
 - Blood donation

THE HIV TOOLKIT Sexual transmission

1981 — 2012: A LIMITED ALPHABET

- <u>A</u>bstinence
- <u>B</u>e faithful
- <u>C</u>ondom

EVALUATION OF "ABC" POLICIES

<u>A</u>bstinence

- At best a short term strategy
- "What do we do for the rest of our lives"

CRITIQUES OF U.S. ABSTINENCE-ONLY POLICIES AND PROGRAMS (PEPFAR = US-SUPPORTED)

- Not medically accurate, promote misinformation
- Poorly designed, lack program efficacy
- Inconsistent with demographic realities
- A "moral" agenda, not a public health agenda
- Harm to public health (foreign aid) programs

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- Risk for many married woman is <u>her husband</u>
- Unilateral monogamy ineffective
- Real issue is <u>concurrency</u> and <u>interconnected sexual networks</u>

THE THEORY IS JUST FINE...



Adapted from W. Cates, FHI

PRACTICE RATHER LESS SO...

Estimated rate of HIV after 10 years' cohabitation in a heterosexual couple **at typical rates of condom use**



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<u>C</u>ondoms

- Effective if used consistently and correctly
- Limited acceptance in many countries and relationships
- Interferes with childbearing

FROM

<u>A</u>bstinence

<u>B</u>e faithful

<u>C</u>ondom

TO

<u>A</u>bstinence

- <u>B</u>e faithful
- <u>C</u>ondom
- (male) <u>C</u>ircumcision
- <u>Counselling & Testing</u>
- <u>M</u>icrobicides
- <u>Post-exposure prophylaxis</u>
- <u>P</u>re-exposure prophylaxis
- <u>Sexually transmitted infections control</u>
- (antiretroviral) <u>Treatment</u> (TasP)

<u>V</u>accine

4 PREVENTION OPPORTUNITIES



Adapted from Cohen , IAS 2008

TREATMENT



PREVENTION

MOTHER-TO-CHILD TRANSMISSION



Adapted from Coovadia and Lallemant, NEJM 2004

MTCT IN EUROPE

"Virtual elimination" of MTCT in Europe

Country	МТСТ	Time period
France	1.0%	2005-2009
Italy	1.0%	2005-2010
Denmark	0.5%	2000-2008
Sweden	0.6%	1999-2003
Spain	1.6%	2000-2007
Ukraine	4.1%	2008-2010
Russia	3-4%	2010
UK	0.57%	2007-2011

Jasseron et al 2011, von Linstow et al 2010, Naver et al 2006, Chiappini et al 2011, Prieto et al 2012, ECS unpublished data, Personal comm. Inga Latysheva

UK and Ireland



MTCT rates 2000-2011

33 infected infants among 5788 singleton live births



Source: Diana M. Gibb, CROI 2015

2000: THE "RAKAI" STUDY

Transmission risk as function of plasma viral load



Source: Quinn et al. *NEJM* 2000

Figure 1. Mean (+SE) Rate of Heterosexual Transmission of HIV-1 among 415 Couples, According to the Sex and the Serum HIV-1 RNA Level of the HIV-1–Positive Partner.

2008: THE SWISS STATEMENT

HIV-infected individuals on ART with undetectable viral load for 12 months and no other IST don't transmit HIV sexually anymore and could stop using a condom within a stable couple

AUTRES GROUPEMENTS ET INSTITUTIONS

Les personnes séropositives ne souffrant d'aucune autre MST et suivant un traitement antirétroviral efficace ne transmettent pas le VIH par voie sexuelle

> Could ARV treatment contribute to reduce HIV transmission at individual and population levels?

2011: HPTN 052 STUDY

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Prevention of HIV-1 Infection with Early Antiretroviral Therapy

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The early initiation of antiretroviral therapy reduces rates of sexual transmission of HIV-1 by 96%

2015: THE PARTNER STUDY (IN EUROPE)

HIV+ partner on ART and virologically suppressed

Rate of HIV transmission according to sexual behavior reported by HIV- partner

Rate of within couple transmission (per 100 CYFU)



PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (PREP)

Effectiveness in Clinical Trials



Source: Raphael Landovitz, CROI 2015

PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (PREP)

Relationship Between Effectiveness and Adherence in Microbicide & PrEP Trials



(Analysis based on a subset of total trail participants, Pearson correlation = 0.86, p=0.003)

Source: Raphael Landovitz, CROI 2015

PREP AMONG GAY MEN IN EUROPE: THE IPERGAY TRIAL



86% relative reduction in the incidence of HIV-1 (95% CI: 40-99, p=0.002) NNT for one year to prevent one infection : 18



Source: Jean-Michel Molina, CROI 2015

PREP AMONG GAY MEN IN EUROPE: IPERGAY & PROUD TRIALS

Efficacy: 86%

Similar result observed in the PROUD trial among gay men in UK



IMPACT OF ART AT POPULATION LEVEL

ART COVERAGE 2004-2011 HLABISA SUB-DISTRICT, RURAL SOUTH AFRICA



2007



2010





ART coverage 2004-2011

ART coverage = proportion of the total HIV-infected population receiving ART at <200 then <350 CD4 cells/µl





Source: Tanser et al. Science 2013
IMPACT OF ART ON MORTALITY

Increases in Adult Life Expectancy in Rural South Africa: Valuing the Scale-Up of HIV Treatment

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IMPACT OF ART ON MORTALITY

Adult life expectancy (red line) increased from 49.2 years (2003) to 60.5 years (2011)



IMPACT OF ART ON INCIDENCE

REPORTS

High Coverage of ART Associated with Decline in Risk of HIV Acquisition in Rural KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

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IMPACT OF ART ON INCIDENCE

Adjusted HIV acquisation hazard ratio by ART coverage





The risk of acquiring HIV is reduced when ART coverage increases at population level

> Source: Tanser et al. Science 2013

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THE EPIDEMIC IF MORE INFECTED PERSONS WERE TREATED?

2009: THE "GRANICH MODEL"

W Universal voluntary HIV testing with immediate antiretroviral therapy as a strategy for elimination of HIV transmission: a mathematical model

Reuben M Granich, Charles F Gilks, Christopher Dye, Kevin M De Cock, Brian G Williams

Summary

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Department of HIV/AIDS (R M Granich MD, Prof C F Gilks DPhil, Prof K M De Cock MD) and Stop TB Department (Prof C Dye DPhil, B G Williams PhD), WHO, Geneva, Switzerland Background Roughly 3 million people worldwide were receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART) at the end of 2007, but an estimated 6.7 million were still in need of treatment and a further 2.7 million became infected with HIV in 2007. Prevention efforts might reduce HIV incidence but are unlikely to eliminate this disease. We investigated a theoretical strategy of universal voluntary HIV testing and immediate treatment with ART, and examined the conditions under which the HIV epidemic could be driven towards elimination.

Methods We used mathematical models to explore the effect on the case reproduction number (stochastic model) and long-term dynamics of the HIV epidemic (deterministic transmission model) of testing all people in our test-case community (aged 15 years and older) for HIV every year and starting people on ART immediately after they are diagnosed HIV positive. We used data from South Africa as the test case for a generalised epidemic, and assumed that all HIV transmission was heterosexual.

Universal testing with immediate antiretroviral therapy could eliminate HIV transmission

(model calculated in the context of South Africa)

MODELING THE IMPACT OF ART

HIV incidence rate according to CD4 eligibility thresholds and ART uptake South Africa case study — Seven models



Status quo: continuation of patterns of testing and ART uptake

CAN WE REACH HIV ELIMINATION?

Table 3. Year of HIV elimination (incidence <1/1,000 person-years) under universal testing and immediate ART for all HIV-infected patients (UTT) and number of life-years saved through UTT compared to the baseline of no UTT.

Model	Sub-Model	Year of Elimination ^a (Range)	Life-Years Saved per ART Treatment Year in 2050 (Range)
Model A		2019 (2018; 2021)	5.7 (4.7; 7.2)
	+ Age structure (B1)	2019 (2018; 2020)	3.8 (3.1; 4.3)
	+ Heterogeneity in HIV transmission by disease stage ^b (B2)	2053 (2048; >2060)	2.6 (2.1; 3.3)
Model B (B1 and B2 combined)		2053 (2042; >2060)	3.0 (2.6; 3.5)
	+ Sexual network (C1)	>2060 (2058; >2060)	2.6 (1.8; 2.9)
	+ Background prevention interventions (C2)	2042 (2037; 2050)	2.8 (2.1; 3.2)
	+ Up-to-date ART assumptions (C3)	>2060 (2054; >2060)	2.9 (2.5; 3.1)
Model C (C1, C2, and C3 combined)		2032 (2030; 2041)	1.8 (1.1; 2.0)
Model D (STDSIM)		2029 (2027; 2034)	1.7 (1.2; 2.6)
Model D baseline (ART at CD4 count ≤350 cells/µl)		2041 (2037; 2047)	N/A

UTT is scaled up linearly, starting in 2012 and reaching 90% coverage in 2019. Ranges reflect the variation in outcome due to the uncertainty in the parameter values that were quantified based on fitting the model to the data.

^aIncidence below 1/1,000 person-years.

^bWe assumed four different stages: acute, asymptomatic, symptomatic, and AIDS.

N/A, not applicable.

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"ALL MODELS ARE WRONG, BUT SOME ARE USEFUL"

quoted by Thiébaut R. & May MT. AIDS, 2013

UNIVERSAL TEST & TREAT HYPOTHESIS

HIV testing of all members of a community, followed by immediate ART initiation of nearly all HIV-infected individuals regardless of immunological / clinical stage i.e. Universal Test & Treat (UTT) will prevent onward transmission and reduce HIV incidence in this population

UTT CLUSTER RANDOMIZED TRIALS

4 on-going in Africa

- ANRS 12 249 TasP (South Africa)
- HPTN 071 PopART (South Africa & Zambia)
- CDC BCPP (Bostwana)
- SEARCH (Uganda & Kenya)
- 1 on-going in the US
 - HPTN 065 TLC-Plus (Washington DC & Bronx NY)

TREATING EARLIER

EVOLUTION OF WHO GUIDELINES



INDIVIDUAL BENEFIT OF EARLY TREATMENT: TEMPRANO RESULTS

- ANRS 12136
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Early ART (CD4<800) vs. WHO guidelines
- 44% reduction in severe HIV morbidity (all cause mortality, any AIDS defining-event, severe bacterial diseases, and non AIDS cancers)

Severe HIV morbidity



Source: Christine Danel, CROI 2015

aHR: adjusted Hazard Ratio

TREATING ALL

GRANICH'S MODEL ASSUMPTIONS

- 90% of all individuals ever tested
- 90% of those diagnosed on ART

 \rightarrow 81% of all HIV+ on treatment

NEW UNAIDS OBJECTIVES (2014)



diagnosed

on treatment

virally suppressed

by 2020

90-90-90

Treatment

by 2030



Treatment

500 000

New infections among adults



200 000

New infections among adults



THE TREATMENT "CASCADE"

Abbreviated HIV treatment cascade for adults in sub-Saharan Africa aged 15 years or more, 2013



WE CAN'T REACH **UNIVERSAL TREATMENT** WITHOUT **UNIVERSAL TESTING AND LINKAGE TO CARE**

CHALLENGE FOR UTT TRIALS

- Example of TasP ANRS 12249
 - repeat home-based testing twice a year
 - local dedicated clinic
 - rural South Africa
 - HIV prevalence >30%
- Preliminary results
 - 10 clusters
 - End of May 2014







NEXT STEP FOR TASP ANRS 12249 TRIAL

New combination interventions package:

- Community level: community engagement and mobilization package
- HIV testing: combination of repeat home-based testing, mobile testing and clinic testing
- Linkage to care: SMS reminders, counselling and motivational support (phone calls, face-to-face visits), escort to clinics, health navigators, clinical assessment at home, option between homebased or clinic-based ART initiation
- Retention in care: SMS reminders, phone calls and home visits in case of missed appointment, simplified ART care for stable patients, additional health services in clinics



BIOMEDICAL INTERVENTIONS & BEHAVIORS



BEHAVIOR BIOMEDICAL



The success of biomedical interventions will depend on behavioral changes.

IMPLEMENTATION & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE IS CRUCIAL

"ONE SIZE DOESN'T FIT ALL"

How best to combine a full set of different kind of interventions?

PMTCT CASCADE IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Figure 6 Estimated PMTCT cascade by proportion of all HIV+ pregnant women in population



[†]DHS 2011 data, [‡]Carnet data, [§]Registry data

Source: Gloyd et al., 2014, HIVCore

TREATING EVEN EARLIER

BACK TO GRANICH'S MODEL



R0 (the number of secondary infections resulting from one primary infection in an otherwise susceptible population) plotted against the CD4+ cell count at which treatment starts for different frequencies of HIV testing (average time between HIV tests represented in years and months). Numbers in circles represent R0 values. Green shading: R0<1; yellow: 1<R0<2; orange: 2<R0< 3; brown: 3<R0< 4; red: 4<R0<5; blue: 5<R0<6; and black: 6<R0<7.

Source: Granich et al. Lancet 2009

Figure 3: Relation between HIV testing frequency, CD4+ cell count, and R_{\circ}

BACK TO GRANICH'S MODEL



To achieve elimination:

- ART should be initiated at >800 CD4
- HIV negative should be retested at least once a year

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HIV TRANSMISSION AFTER ACQUISITION



Figure 1. HIV transmission per coital act, and 95% confidence intervals, by follow-up interval

INCIDENT CASES DUE TO EARLY HIV

in Malawi



Figure 4: Estimated proportion of incident HIV infections attributable to contact with individual with early HIV infection

Source: Powers et al. Lancet 2011

ESTIMATED DELAY WITHIN THE CASCADE

in France



Source: Supervie & Brouard, XVème congrès de la SFLS, octobre 2014

WE NEED TO TEST PEOPLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE **AFTER HIV ACQUISITION REPEAT TESTING** FOR POPULATIONS WITH HIGH INCIDENCE

TO CONCLUDE

THE IMPORTANCE OF LOCATION AND POPULATION



Adapted from 2013 data from UNAIDS 2014 Gap Report

People living with HIV (children and adults) are included as members of all of the featured populations. They are implicitly included in this map as they must have universal access to services.

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INTEGRATION, EFFICIENCY, RESOURCES, EQUITY

THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD TO HIV PREVENTION, CARE AND TREATMENT



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