HIV / AIDS & Opportunistic Infections

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Epidemiology



~85% know they are infected ~40% are receiving treatment

22F presents for a follow-up appointment. She was just diagnosed with syphilis last week and treated with IM PCN. At that visit an HIV test was performed and returns with the result below.

HIV 1/2 Ag/Ab Screen (4th Gen)	HIV 1/2 Ag/Ab Screen (4th Gen) * A Auth (Verified)
HIV 1/2 Ag/Ab (4th Gen) Comment	See Comment * Auth (Verified)
HIV 1 Antibody	Positive A Auth (Verified)
HIV 2 Antibody	Negative * Auth (Verified)

What is her likely diagnosis?

- A. HIV-1 infection
- B. HIV-2 infection
- C. Suspected HIV-1, but need to wait for confirmatory test result

- Virtually all HIV in the U.S. = HIV-1
- Who should be tested?

Adolescents and Adults 15-65 Years Old	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians screen for HIV infection in adolescents and adults aged 15 to 65 years. Younger adolescents and older adults who are at increased risk should also be screened. Go to the Clinical Considerations for more information about screening intervals.	A
Pregnant Women	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians screen all pregnant women for HIV, including those who present in labor who are untested and whose HIV status is unknown.	A

- HIV testing:
 - HIV-1/2 Antigen and Antibodies, 4th Gen, with Reflexes
 - Reflex HIV-1/2 antibody differentiation test
 - Reflex PCR for indeterminate/negative results
 - CDC recommended screening test
 - Better sensitivity within window period, faster TAT
 - HIV-1/0/2 with Reflex HIV-1 WB

CDC Recommendations for HIV Testing in Laboratories



22F presents with fevers & sore throat for the past 3 days and now has developed diffuse macular rash starting today. Examination reveals T 39^oC, pharyngeal erythema without exudate, small erythematous macular lesions on her chest. She reports exchanging sex for drugs and has had multiple partners over the past month.

Which of the following test is optimal for diagnosis?

- A. HIV-1/0/2 with reflex HIV-1 WB
- B. HIV-1/2 antigen and antibodies, 4th Gen, with reflexes
- C. HIV p24 antigen assay
- D. HIV quantitative RT-PCR
- E. Monospot (for EBV)

Window Period



22F is here for follow-up with new diagnosis of HIV after routine STI screening. She is without any symptoms. Exam unremarkable other than anxious appearing individual and white plaques on her soft palate. Routine blood tests are sent including CD4 count, HIV quantitative RT-PCR, and HIV genotype resistance testing. A TST is placed.

Which of the following should be performed immediately?

- A. Pneumococcal vaccination with PPV23
- B. Pap smear
- C. Start Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole
- D. Start Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole and Azithromycin
- E. Chest radiograph

Primary Care for HIV

HIV-disease tests

Serologic testing CD4 count and percentage Plasma HIV RNA (viral load) HIV resistance testing (genotype)

Metabolic tests

Fasting lipid profile Fasting glucose Urinalysis

HIV-associated infections

Viral hepatitis (A,B,C) STD screening Syphilis Gonorrhea/Chlamydia Tuberculosis screening HPV - cervical cancer screening

Vaccinations

PCV13 followed by PPV23 (>8 wks) HBV - if seronegative HAV - if MSM, IVDA HPV - males to age 26, if MSM MCV4 22F is here for follow-up with new diagnosis of HIV after routine STI screening. She is without any symptoms. Exam unremarkable. Her CD4 count is 650 and VL 10,000 copies/mL. The remainder of her lab studies are normal including resistance testing. She is very interested in starting cART. She reports that she is in a heterosexual monogamous relationship.

When is the ideal time to start cART for this patient?

- A. Start once CD4 count is < 200
- B. Start once CD4 count is < 350
- C. Start once CD4 count is < 500
- D. Start now

2016 Guidelines

Panel's Recommendations

- Antiretroviral therapy (ART) is recommended for all HIV-infected individuals, regardless of CD4 T lymphocyte cell count, to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with HIV infection (AI).
- ART is also recommended for HIV-infected individuals to prevent HIV transmission (AI).
- When initiating ART, it is important to educate patients regarding the benefits and considerations regarding ART, and to address
 strategies to optimize adherence. On a case-by-case basis, ART may be deferred because of clinical and/or psychosocial factors,
 but therapy should be initiated as soon as possible.

Rating of Recommendations: A = Strong; B = Moderate; C = Optional

Rating of Evidence: I = Data from randomized controlled trials; II = Data from well-designed nonrandomized trials or observational cohort studies with long-term clinical outcomes; III = Expert opinion

Prognosis



3-year probability of AIDS (%)



HIV-1 RNA concentration (x10³ copies/mL)

3-yr probability of AIDS = AIDS defining illness or death, not CD4<200

http://www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/ContentFiles/AdultandAdolescentGL.pdf

Natural Course of HIV Infection



AIDS Defining Illnesses

Candidiasis

Esophageal Tracheal, bronchial Cervical Cancer, invasive Coccidioides – disseminated Chronic diarrhea (>1 month) Cryptosporidia or Isospora Cryptococcus – extrapulmonary CMV Retinitis Other (not liver, spleen, LN) HSV Chronic ulcer (>1 month) Pulmonary, esophageal Histoplasma – disseminated **HIV** encephalopathy

Kaposi's sarcoma Lymphoma (NHL) Burkitt's Immunoblastic Primary CNS Mycobacterium TB – any Other – disseminated/extrapulmonary Pneumonia Pneumocystis Recurrent bacterial (within 1 yr) PML NT Salmonella septicemia, recurrent Toxoplasmic encephalitis Wasting syndrome - HIV

Antiretrovirals

Nucleoside RTI

Abacavir	(ABC)	(Ziagen)
Didanosine	(ddI)	(Videx)
Emtricitabine	(FTC)	(Emtriva)
Lamivudine	(3TC)	(Epivir)
Stavudine	(d4T)	(Zerit)
Tenofovir	(TDF/TAF)	
Zidovudine	(ZDV)	(Retrovir)

Non-Nucleoside RTI

Efavirenz	(EFV)	(Sustiva)	
Etravirine	(ETR)	(Intelence)	
Nevirapine	(NVP)	(Viramune)	
Rilpivirine	(RPV)	(Edurant)	

Entry/Fusion Inhibitor

Enfuvirtide	(T20)	(Fuzeon)
Maraviroc	(MVC)	(Selzentry)

Integrase Inhibitor

Dolutegravir	(DTG)	(Tivicay)
Elvitegravir	(EVG)	(Vitekta)
Raltegravir	(RAL)	(Isentress)

Protease Inhibitors

(ATV)	(Reyataz)
(DRV)	(Prezista)
(FPV)	(Lexiva)
(IDV)	(Crixivan)
(LPV/r)	(Kaletra)
(NFV)	(Viracept)
(RTV)	(Norvir)
(TPV)	(Aptivus)
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Combinations

Combivir	(ZDV/3TC)
pzicom	(ABC/3TC)
rizivir	(ZDV/ABC/3TC)
ruvada/Descovy	(TDF/FTC)/(TAF/FTC)
votaz	(ATV/c)
rezcobix	(DRV/c)

Single Tablet Regimens

Atripla	
Complera/Odefsey	
Stribild/Genvoya	
Triumeq	

(EFV/TDF/FTC) (RPV/TDF/FTC) (EVG/c/TDF/FTC) (DTG/ABC/3TC) 31M with HIV presents with fevers and progressive DOE x 4 weeks. Diagnosed with HIV about 10 years ago when he developed shingles. He never followed-up and has never been on cART. ABG is performed and demonstrates an Aa gradient of 35 mm Hg. Induced sputum for PJP DFA +.

Which of the following is the best treatment for this patient?

- A. TMP-SMX
- B. TMP-SMX + prednisone
- C. TMP-SMX + prednisone + cART within 2 weeks
- D. TMP-SMX + acyclovir
- E. TMP-SMX + Vanco + Zosyn



Pneumocystis jiroveci

Epidemiology

- 90% with CD4 < 200 or CD4% < 14%
- Thrush
- High risk for relapse

Clinical Manifestations

- Subacute. Fever, cough, dyspnea.
- Hypoxemia. O2 desat with exercise.
- CXR butterfly pattern. Early negative.

Diagnosis

- Induced sputum 50-90%
- BAL 90-99%
- Direct immunofluorescent staining
- Non-specific: LDH, 1,3β-D-glucan

Treatment

- IV/PO TMP-SMX
- IV Pentamidine
- Clindamycin + primaquine
- Atovaquone
- Prednisone for A-a \geq 35, pO₂<70
- Duration = 21 days

Prophylaxis

- Primary
 - CD4<200/14%, thrush, AIDS
 - TMP-SMX, dapsone, aerosolized pentamidine, atovaquone
- Secondary
- Stop when CD4 > 200 x 3 months

61M presents with unsteadiness and ataxia for the past 2 months. Frequently bumping into things. Progressive HA. MRI performed. Subsequent work-up HIV+, CD4 126. Serum Toxoplasma IgG +, IgM neg. LP: 20 WBCs (90%L), G normal, P120. CSF cytology neg. CSF Cryptococcal Ag and PCRs for EBV, JCV and Toxoplasma are negative.

Which is the next best step in management?

- A. Pyrimethamine-sulfadiazine
- B. TMP-SMX
- C. Repeat LP for more studies
- D. Brain biopsy
- E. Lipid amphotericin



Toxoplasma Encephalitis

Epidemiology

- 80% have CD4 < 100
- 95+% Toxoplasma IgG+
- Undercooked meat, cat feces

Clinical Manifestations

- HA, confusion, lethargy, seziures
- 70% with focal signs on neuro exam
- ~30% single lesion

Diagnosis

- Ring enhancing hypodense 90%
- AIDS, Toxo IgG+, multiple lesions -80% predictive value
- LP: cytology, EBV, JCV, Crypt Ag
- Toxo CSF PCR sensitivity 50%
- Definitive dx = brain bx

Differential

- PCNSL (EBV)
- PML (JCV)
- Brain abscess (bacterial, TB, Crypto)

Treatment

- Pyrimethamine/Sulfadiazine
- Pyrimethamine/Clindamycin
- 90% respond at 2 weeks

Prophylaxis

- Primary
 - CD4 < 100 & Toxo lgG +</p>
 - TMP-SMX, Pyrimeth/Dapsone
- Secondary
- Stop when CD4 > 200 x 6 months

38F presents with fevers and progressive HA x 2 weeks, now with lethargy and slurred speech. Diagnosed with HIV 10 years ago but never followed-up. On examination: lethargic but arousable, slurred speech, right CN6 palsy, Head CT normal. LP is performed and OP 55cm H_2O .

Which of the following is the best treatment for this patient?

- A. L Ampho + Flucytosine
- B. L Ampho + Flucytosine + LP
- C. L Ampho + Fluconazole
- D. L Ampho + Fluconazole + LP
- E. L Ampho + LP

LAB RESULTS

Serum CD4 count 35 Cryptococcal antigen 1:512 CSF WBC 167 94%L Gluc 31 Protein 67 India ink + encapsulated yeast

Cryptococcal Meningitis

Epidemiology

- Disseminated CD4 < 100
- Meningitis CD4 < 50
- Endemic, soil + bird guano

Clinical Manifestations

- Disseminated disease: pulmonary, blood, skin
- Acute/subacute meningoencephalitis
- Altered mental status, memory loss
- Elevated ICP > 75%

Diagnosis

- Cryptococcal antigen 90+% sensitive (serum & CSF)
- India ink 60-80% sensitive

Treatment

- Lipid amphotericin + flucytosine until CSF sterilization
- Follow with fluconazole maintenance
- Minimum duration of therapy = 1 year.
- Repeat LP for elevated ICP
 - Major cause of morbidity and mortality first 10 weeks.

Prophylaxis

- Primary
 - NONE
- Secondary
 - Fluconazole
 - Minimum 1 year therapy
 - Stop when $CD4 > 100 \times 3$ months

34M presents with fevers, night sweats, watery diarrhea, diffuse abdominal pain and 20 lbs weight loss x 2 months. Diagnosed with HIV 10 years ago but never followed-up. Labs: CD4 18, WBC 2.1, Hb 7.5, Ferritin 3200. CT AP performed - diffuse LAN. AFB blood cultures reveal MAC.

Which of the following is the best treatment for this patient?

- A. RIF + INH + PZA + EMB (RIPE)
- B. Clarithro + EMB
- C. Clarithro + EMB + rifabutin
- D. Azithro + RIPE
- E. Clarithro + EMB + cART



Disseminated MAC

Epidemiology

- CD4 < 50 (usually less than 25)
- Ubiquitous in environment, water

Clinical Manifestations

- Fevers, NS, weight loss, anemia
- Abd pain, diarrhea, intra-abd LAN, HSM, elevated alk phos
- Disseminated disease: spleen, LN, liver, intestines, and bone marrow. Lung involvement rare (< 10%).

Diagnosis

- AFB blood culture 90-95%
- BM, LN, GI tract biopsy
- Can take up to 6 weeks to grow

Treatment

- Clarithromycin + Ethambutol
- High mortality within 6 months
- cART essential for cure
- Add rifamycin if no plan for cART
- Minimum duration = 1 year

Prophylaxis

- Primary
 - CD4 < 50
 - Azithromycin Qweek
 - Clarithromycin BID
- Secondary
 - As per treatment
- Stop when CD4 > 100 x 3-6 months

29M diagnosed with AIDS (CD4 26) two months ago asymptomatic. He was started on prophylaxis and cART. Now presents with fever, cough, pleurisy. CD4 146. CT chest - consolidation and hilar LAN. BAL negative bacterial, fungal, AFB cxs. Hilar LN biopsy - granulomas. Cx - MAC.

Which of the following is the best treatment for this patient?

- A. Continue cART. Start Claritho/EMB.
- B. Stop cART. Start Clarithro/EMB.
- C. Continue cART. Start Clarithro/EMB and prednisone.
- D. Continue cART, no need to treat MAC
- E. Continue cART. Start RIPE.



Immune Reconstitution Inflammatory Syndrome

Paradoxical

Worsening of clinical or lab parameters despite \uparrow CD4 counts and \downarrow viral loads.

Unmasking

Inflammatory reaction to a subclinical (unrecognized) infection.

Occurs in 10-25% of those initiating cART (weeks to months).

Diagnosis:

Low pretreatment CD4 count (< 100) Positive response to cART No evidence of OI treatment failure Temporal association with cART

Pathogen	Manifestation
Mycobacterium avium complex	Skin, focal lymphadenitis, pulmonary infiltrates, mediastinitis, liver granuloma, osteomyelitis, cerebritis
Mycobacterium tuberculosis	Pneumonitis, adult respiratory distress syndrome, lymphadenitis, hepatitis, CNS tuberculosis, gut perforation, renal failure, epididymitis
Mycobacterium leprae	Cutaneous lesions
Cryptococcus species	Meningitis, palsy, hearing loss, abscess, mediastinitis, lymphadenitis
Pneumocystis jirovecii	Pneumonitis
Histoplasma species	Lymph node granuloma
Hepatitis B and C viruses	Hepatitis
JC virus	Contrast-enhanced CNS lesions, inflammatory infiltrates on biopsy
BK virus	Hemorrhagic cystitis
Herpes simplex virus	Chronic erosive ulcera, encephalomyelits
Varicella-zoster virus	Zoster flares, sine herpete flares
Cytomegalovirus	Vitritis, cystoid macular edema, uveitis, vitreomacular traction

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