

# CARING FOR THE AGING HIV PATIENT

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## HIV and aging

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## REVIEW

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE:** Readers will recognize and manage human immunodeficiency virus infection in their older patients

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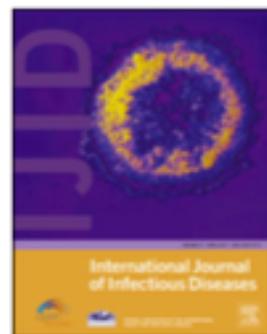
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### Review

# Understanding mechanisms to promote successful aging in persons living with HIV

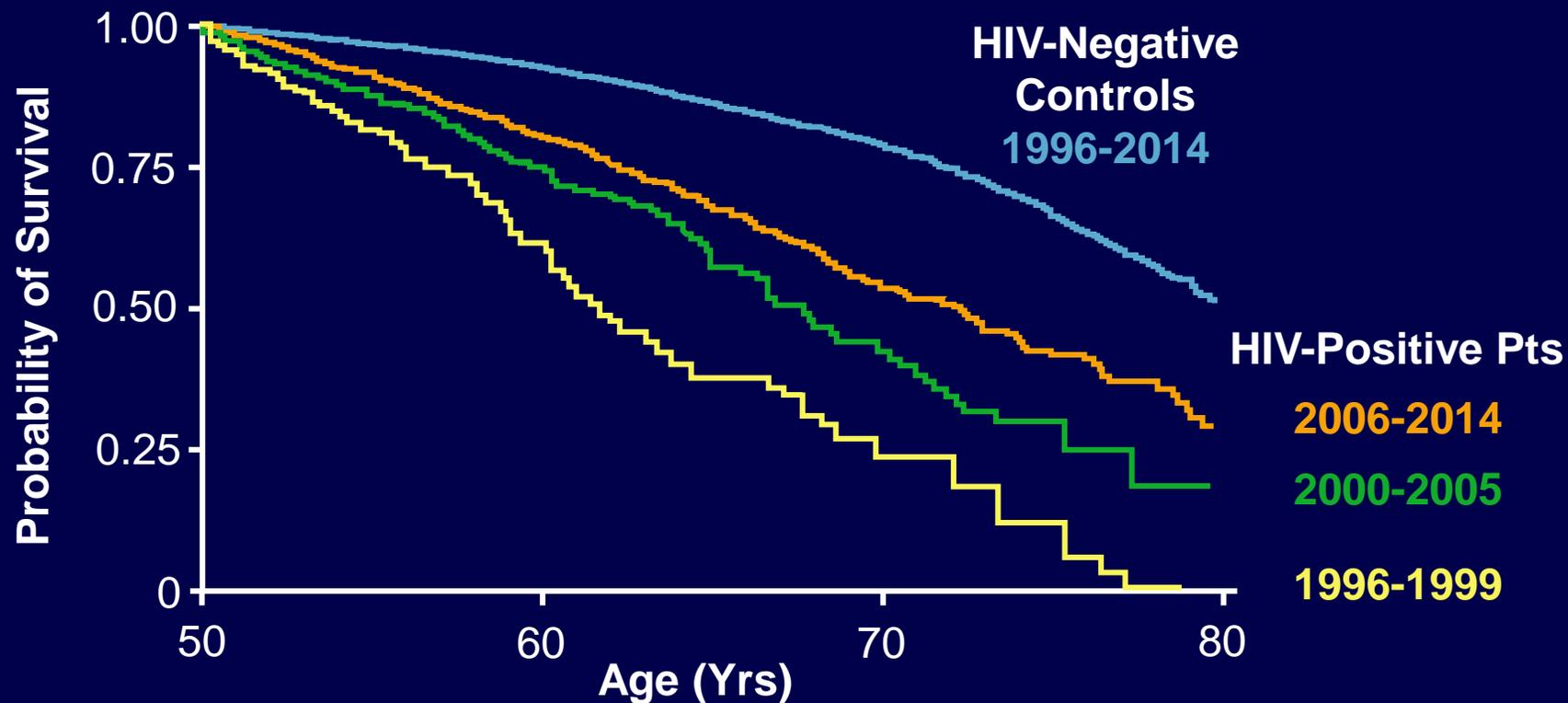


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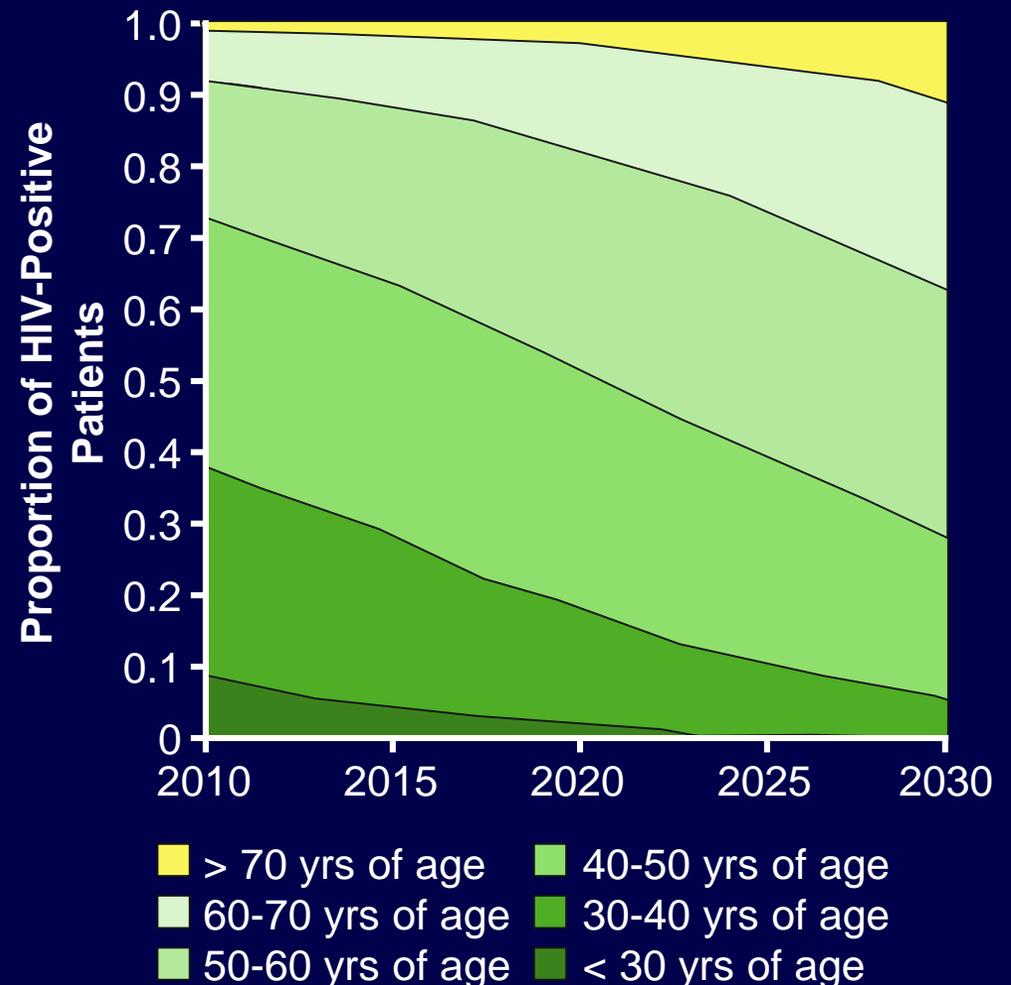
# Life Expectancy in Older HIV-Positive Adults in Modern ART Era

- Population-based cohort study of survival in HIV-infected pts (n = 2440) and uninfected controls matched by age and sex (n = 14,588) in Denmark



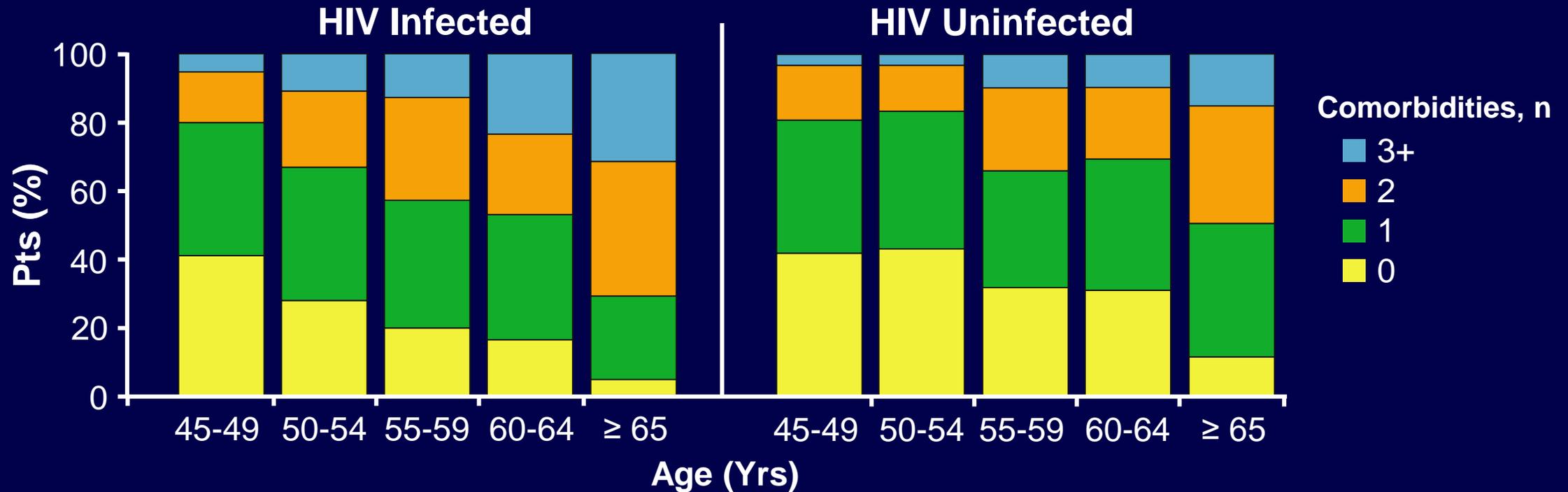
# ATHENA: Older Patients Becoming More Prevalent in the HIV-Infected Population

- Observational cohort of 10,278 HIV-infected patients in the Netherlands
- Modeling study projections:
  - Proportion of HIV-positive patients  $\geq 50$  yrs of age to increase from 28% in 2010 to 73% in 2030
  - Median age of HIV-positive patients on combination ART to increase from 43.9 yrs in 2010 to 56.6 yrs in 2030

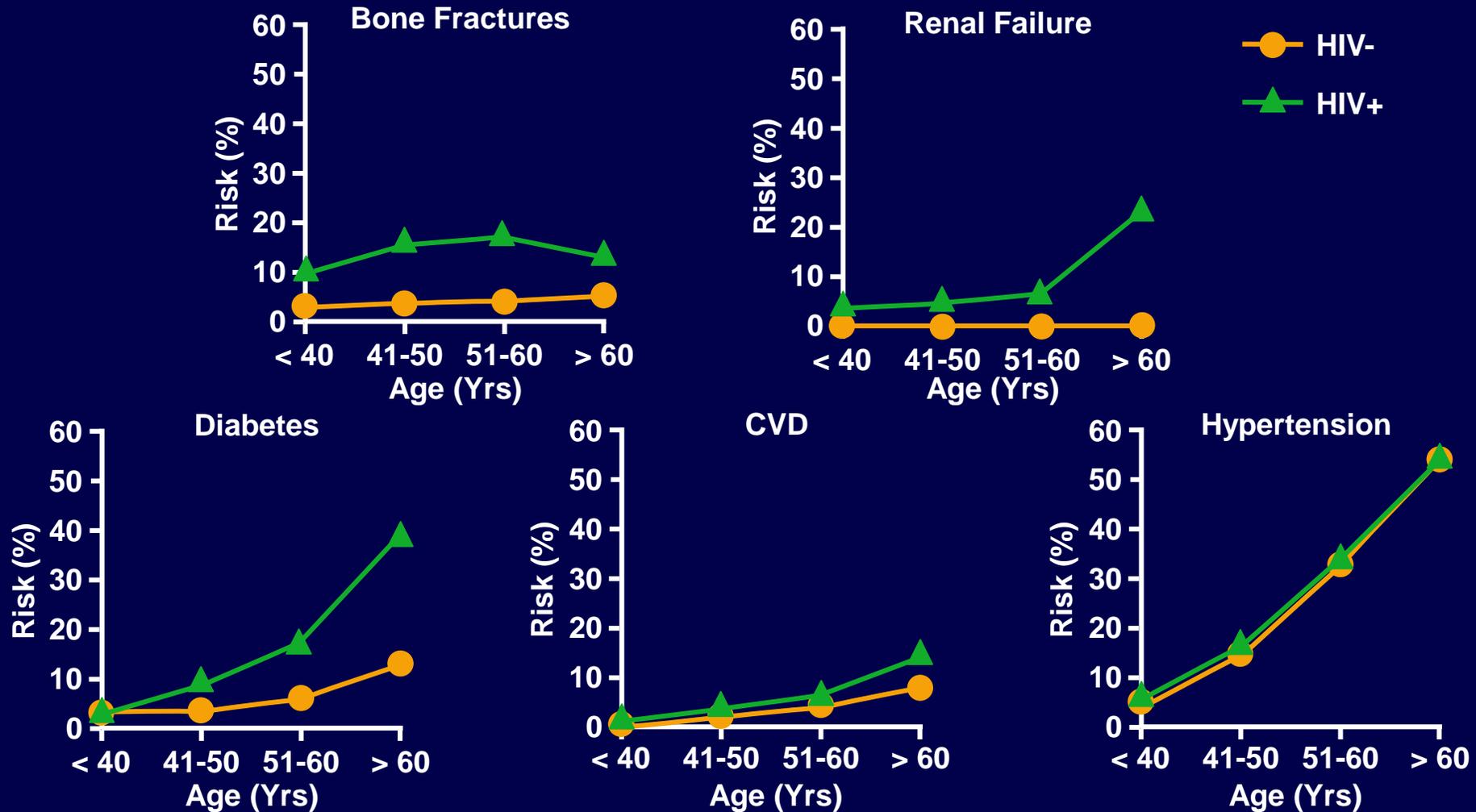


# Older HIV-Infected Pts at Increased Risk for Multiple Comorbidities

- AGEHIV: prospective cohort study of HIV-infected pts (n = 540) vs controls (n = 524) 45 yrs of age or older



# HIV Pts More Likely to Experience Bone Fractures, CVD, Diabetes, Renal Failure



# Interplay of Age with Morbidity

## #1: THE PATIENT

- Individual and social factors
- Higher rate of traditional risk factors: smoking, dyslipidemia, HTN, diabetes, obesity

**Metabolic  
Complications:**  
**Cardiovascular Disease**  
Renal Disease  
**Osteoporosis**  
Non-AIDS Cancers

## #2: THE VIRUS(ES)

- HIV infection itself
- Inflammation and immune activation
- Coinfections: HCV

## #3: THE TREATMENT

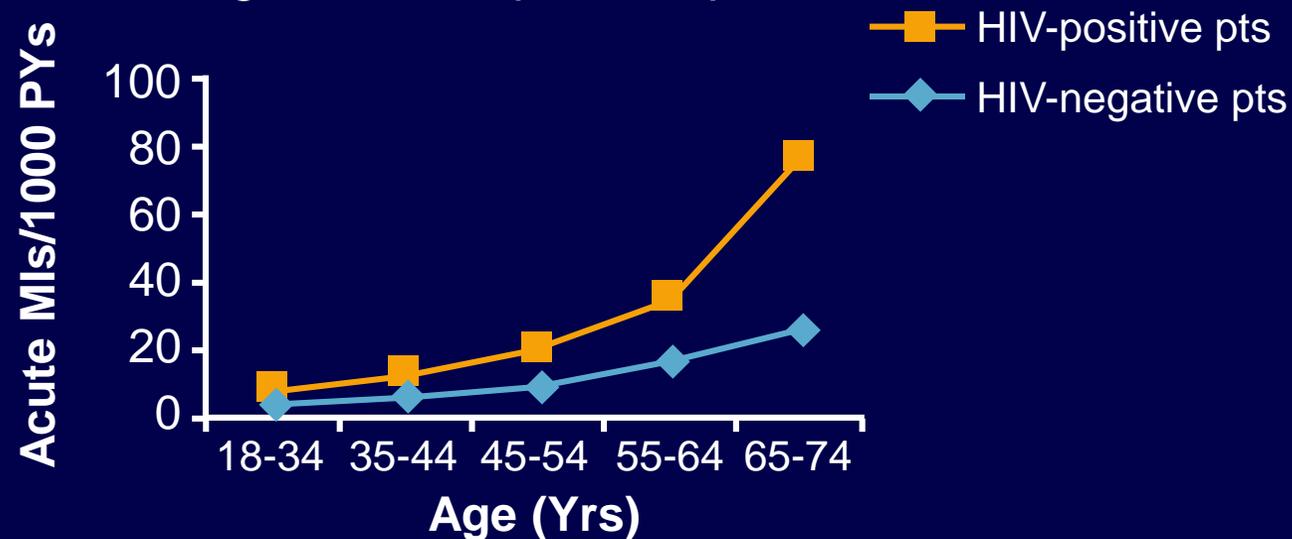
- ART and toxicity

# Cardiovascular Disease

- Cardiovascular disease (CVD) is a leading cause of death in PLWH on effective ART (Rodger et al., 2013).
- Deaths from CVD increased two-fold despite a decrease in CVD-related mortality in the general population (Feinstein et al., 2016).
- Multiple factors have been attributed to the increased CVD risk observed in PLWH, including
  - the HIV infection itself,
  - ART toxicity, and
  - increased rates of traditional risk factors including smoking, T2DM, Hypertension, and Dyslipidaemia (Triant et al., 2007, Saves et al., 2003).

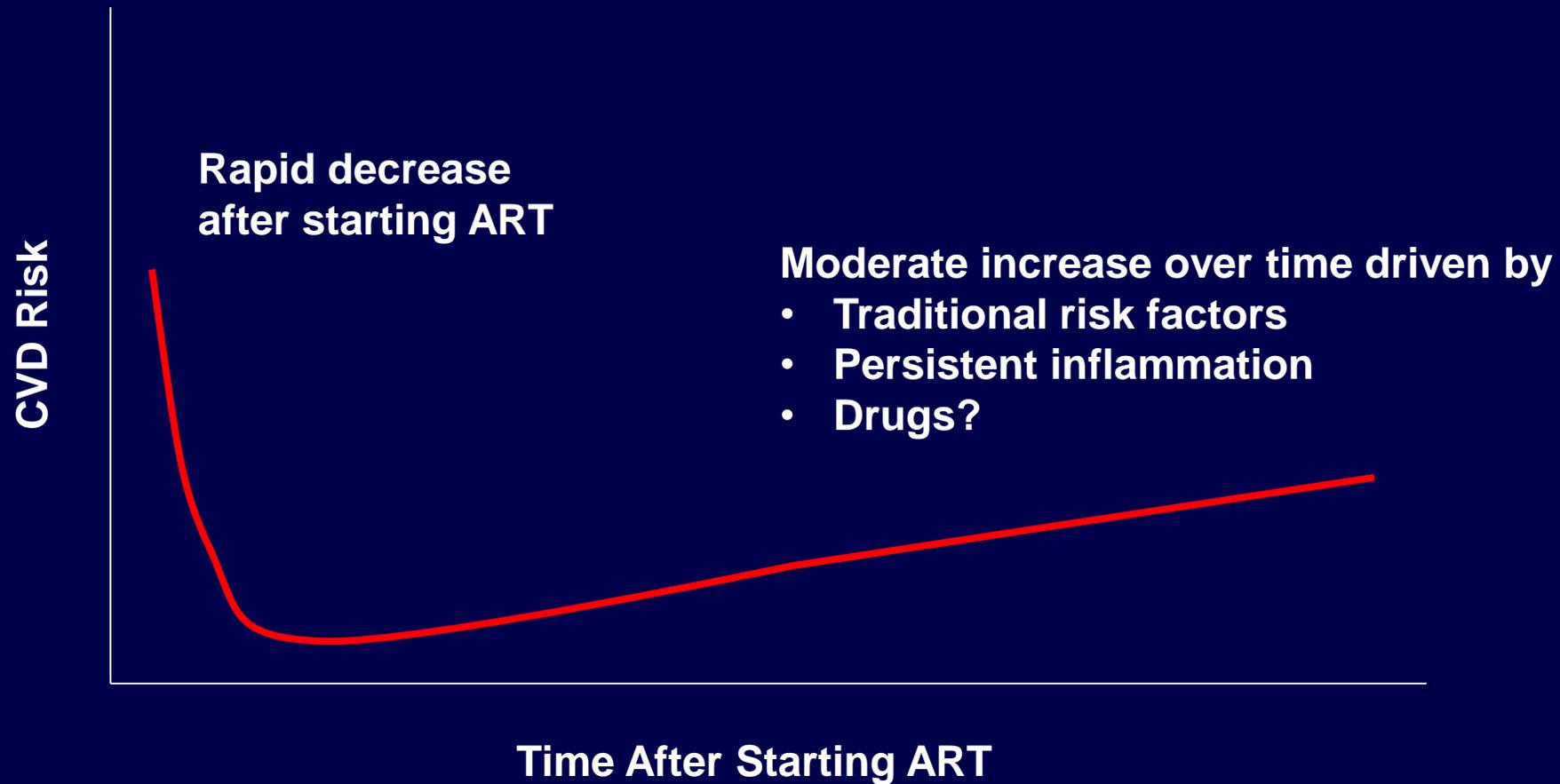
# The Link Between HIV and CVD and Age

- Rate of acute MI higher in HIV-positive pts<sup>[1]</sup>



- HIV infection is a risk factor for ischemic stroke<sup>[2]</sup>
- HIV-infected men have a greater prevalence of coronary artery plaques<sup>[1,3]</sup>

# The Relationship Between CVD Risk in HIV and HIV Treatment Is U-Shaped



# CVD Mortality Higher in HIV-Infected Patients, Even With Virologic Suppression

- Analysis of CVD-related mortality in HIV-infected patients in New York City HIV Surveillance Registry 2001-2012 (N = 145,845)
  - 71.5% male; median age: 49 yrs
- From 2001-2012, CVD mortality increased in HIV-infected patients (from 6% to 15%) while decreasing in the general population
- **Age-adjusted rate of CVD mortality markedly decreased for HIV-infected patients with virologic suppression**
  - HIV-1 RNA  $\geq$  400 copies/mL: **8.02/1000 PY**
  - HIV-1 RNA < 400 copies/mL: **3.99/1000 PY**
  - General population: **3.22/1000 PY**

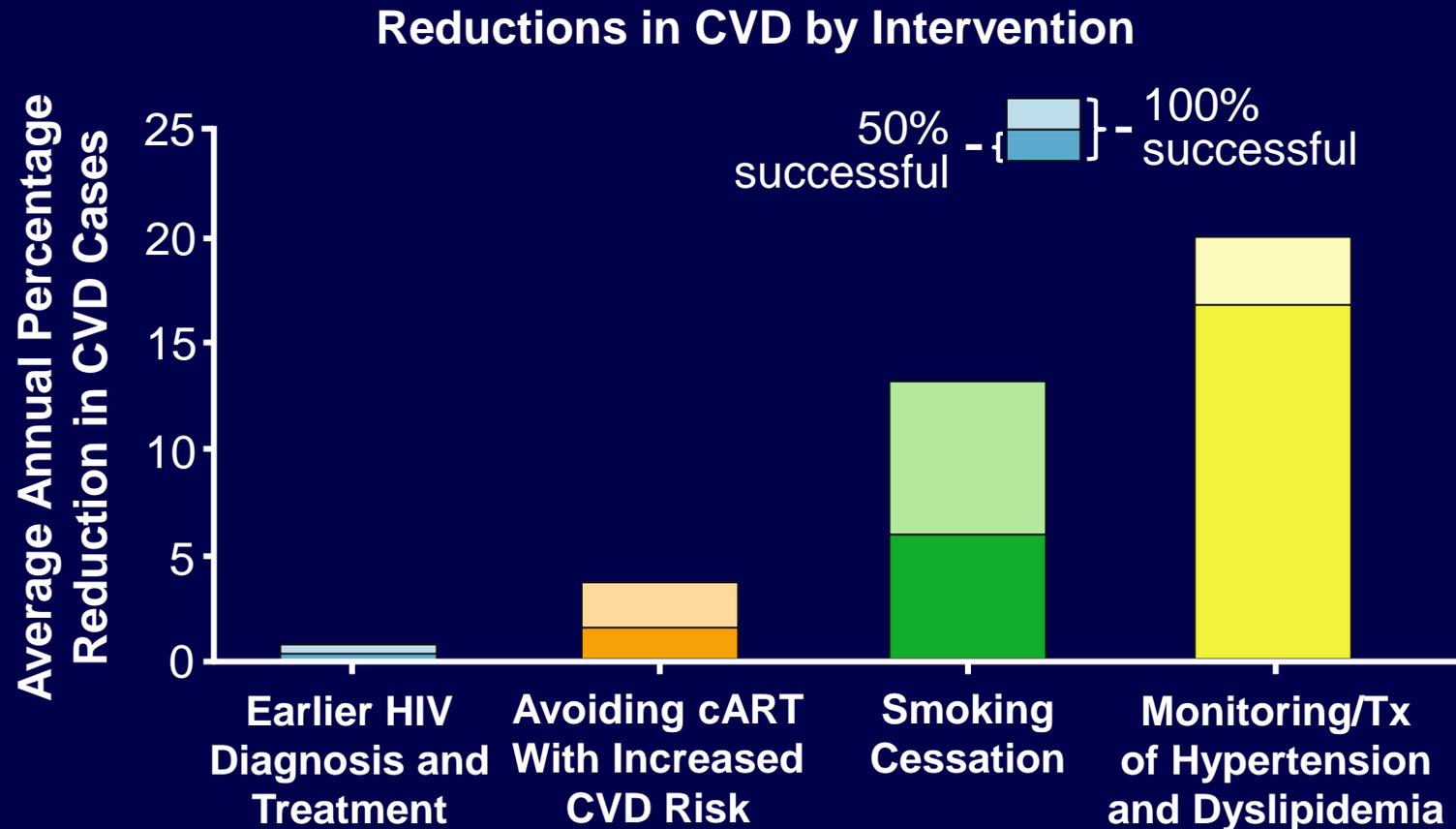
# Studies Addressing Abacavir and MI

Study	Association?	Description
D:A:D <sup>[1]</sup>	✓	Cohort collaboration (prospective)
Danish HIV Cohort <sup>[2]</sup>	✓	Cohort (linked with registries)
Montreal study <sup>[3]</sup>	✓	Nested case-control study
SMART <sup>[4]</sup>	✓	Post hoc subgroup analysis of RCT (use of ABC not randomised)
STEAL <sup>[5]</sup>	✓	Preplanned secondary analysis of RCT (use of ABC randomised)
Desai et al <sup>[6]</sup>	✓	Cohort (retrospective)
Swiss HIV Cohort <sup>[7]</sup>	✓	Cohort (prospective)
FHDH ANRS CO4 <sup>[8]</sup>	?	Nested case-control study
NA-ACCORD <sup>[9]</sup>	?	Cohort (retrospective)
VA Clinical Case Registry <sup>[10]</sup>	✗	Cohort (retrospective)
Brothers et al. analysis <sup>[11]</sup>	✗	Post hoc meta-analysis of RCTs
ACTG A5001/ALLRT <sup>[12]</sup>	✗	Post hoc meta-analysis of RCTs
FDA meta-analysis <sup>[13]</sup>	✗	Post hoc meta-analysis of RCTs

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# Interventions Contributing to Reductions in CVD in HIV-Infected Pts

- Modeling study using data from 8791 pts in ATHENA study



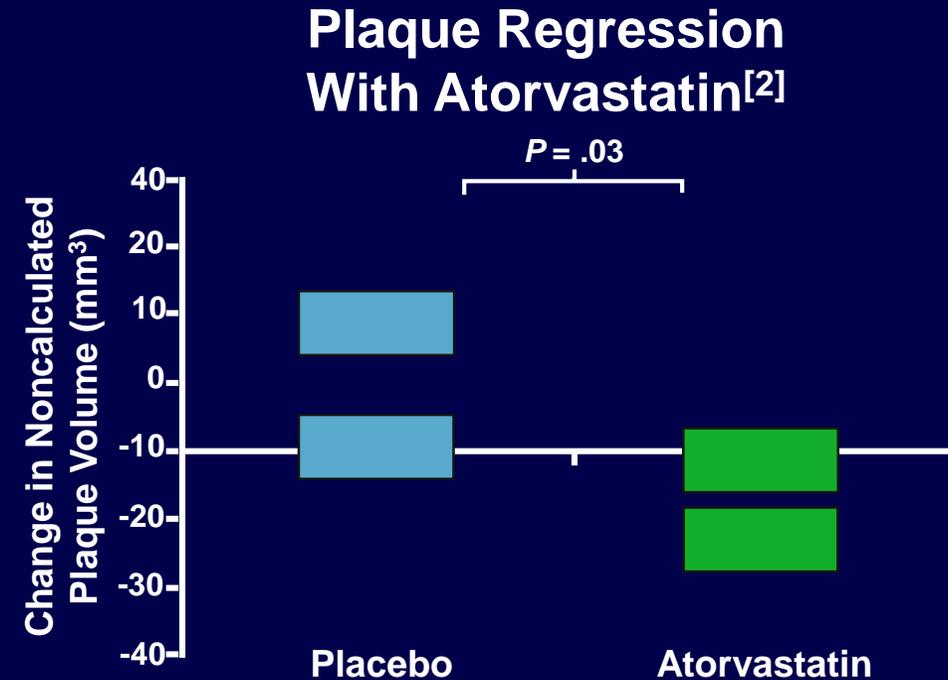
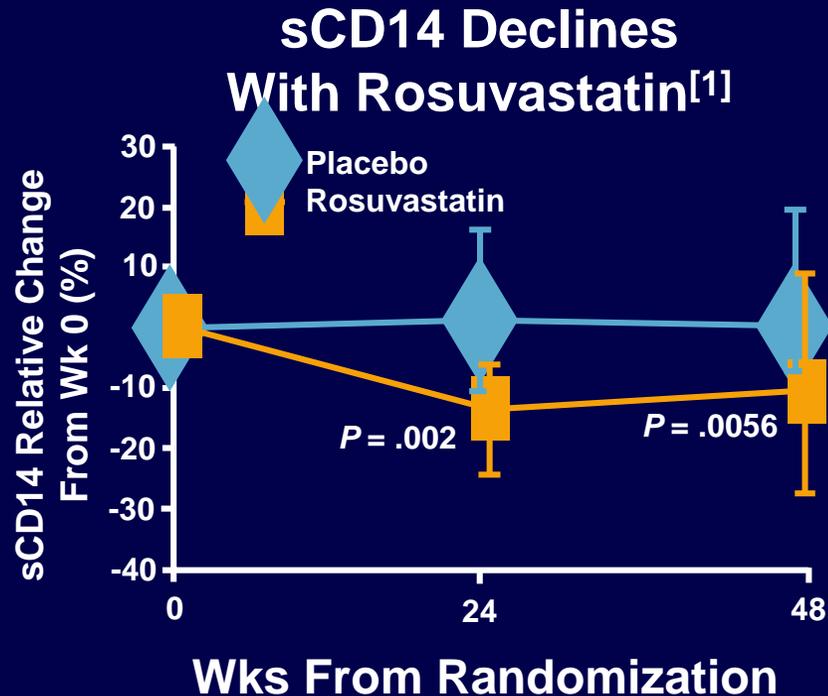
# Drug–Drug Interactions With ART and CVD and Antihypertensive Therapy

Antiretroviral	Contraindicated	Titrate Dose
ARV/RTV or DRV/RTV	Lercanidipine Dabigatran*	Amlodipine, diltiazem, felodipine, lacidipine, nicardipine, nifedipine, nisoldipine, verapamil, indapamide, doxazosin, amlodipine, diltiazem, verapamil, warfarin
EFV		Lercanidipine, amlodipine, diltiazem, felodipine, lacidipine, nicardipine, nifedipine, nisoldipine, verapamil, indapamide, doxazosin
EVG/COBI	Lercanidipine Dabigatran*	Amlodipine, diltiazem, felodipine, lacidipine, nicardipine, nifedipine, nisoldipine, verapamil, indapamide, doxazosin, amlodipine, diltiazem, verapamil, warfarin

DTG, RAL, ABC, FTC, 3TC, and TDF have no significant interactions.

\*If CrCl < 50 mL/min.

# Statins Decrease Immune Activation and Aortic Plaque in Treated HIV Infection



- REPRIEVE: double-blind, randomized phase IV trial of pitavastatin (planned N = 6500) now enrolling<sup>[3]</sup>

1. Funderburg NT, et al. J Acquir Immune Defic Syndr. 2015;68:396-404.

2. Lo J, et al. Lancet HIV. 2015;2:e52-e63.

3. ClinicalTrials.gov. NCT02344290.



# Approach to Lipid-Lowering (Statin) Therapy

- HIV-infected patients are at increased risk for ASCVD<sup>[1,2]</sup>
  - ART can cause increases in triglycerides and TC, VLDL, LDL, and HDL
- Prescribing statins can be challenging due to DDIs, insulin resistance, adverse events, and increased pill burden<sup>[1]</sup>

Statin Therapy	Recommendation
Goal of therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ CVD risk reduction<sup>[1]</sup></li></ul>
Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ A fasting lipid panel should be obtained in all newly diagnosed HIV-infected patients<sup>[1,3]</sup></li><li>■ Lipid screening annually<sup>[3]</sup></li></ul>
Treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Statin therapy is first-line therapy for elevated LDL and non-HDL<sup>[1]</sup></li><li>■ Moderate- or high-intensity statin therapy should be considered, with proper dosing according to specific statin and anticipated DDIs with ART<sup>[1]</sup></li><li>■ Lifestyle therapy is the recommended first step<sup>[4]</sup></li></ul>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Patient–provider discussion is central to decisions on drug treatment<sup>[1]</sup></li></ul>



# Statin Dosing in the Setting of ART

PI- or COBI-Containing Regimens		
High-Intensity Statin	Moderate-Intensity Statin	Low-Intensity Statin
Atorvastatin 20 mg	Atorvastatin 10 mg	Pravastatin 10-20 mg
Rosuvastatin 10-20 mg	Rosuvastatin 5 mg	Fluvastatin 20-40 mg
	Pravastatin 40-80 mg*	Pitavastatin 1 mg
	Pitavastatin 2-4 mg	
<p><b>Simvastatin and lovastatin are contraindicated for pts receiving a PI or COBI</b></p> <p>*With darunavir, reduce pravastatin to 20-40 mg</p>		

NNRTI-, RAL-, or DTG-Containing Regimens		
High-Intensity Statin	Moderate-Intensity Statin	Low-Intensity Statin
Atorvastatin 40-80 mg	Atorvastatin 10-20 mg	Pravastatin 10-20 mg
Rosuvastatin 20 mg	Rosuvastatin 10 mg	Fluvastatin 20-40 mg
	Pravastatin 40-80 mg	Pitavastatin 1 mg
	Pitavastatin 2-4 mg	Lovastatin 20 mg
	Lovastatin 40 mg	Simvastatin 10 mg
	Simvastatin 20-40 mg	

All doses daily.

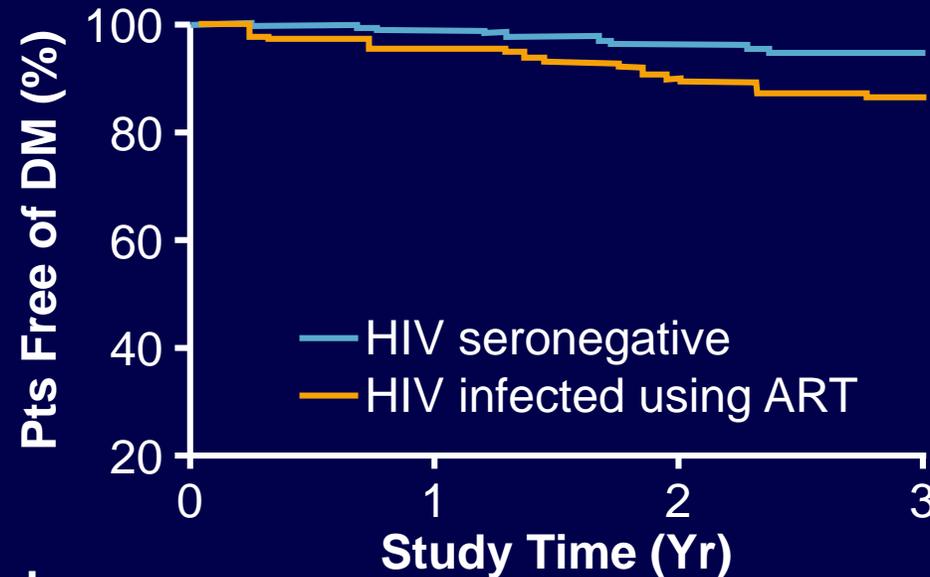


# Take-home Points

- Treat HIV promptly
- Select a regimen that will be well tolerated and not aggravate underlying conditions or increase CVD risk
- Beware of drug–drug interactions, e.g. between CCB’s and ART components
- Do not hesitate in addressing CVD risk and consider statins as indicated

# MACS: Rates of DM Increased in HIV-Positive Pts on ART

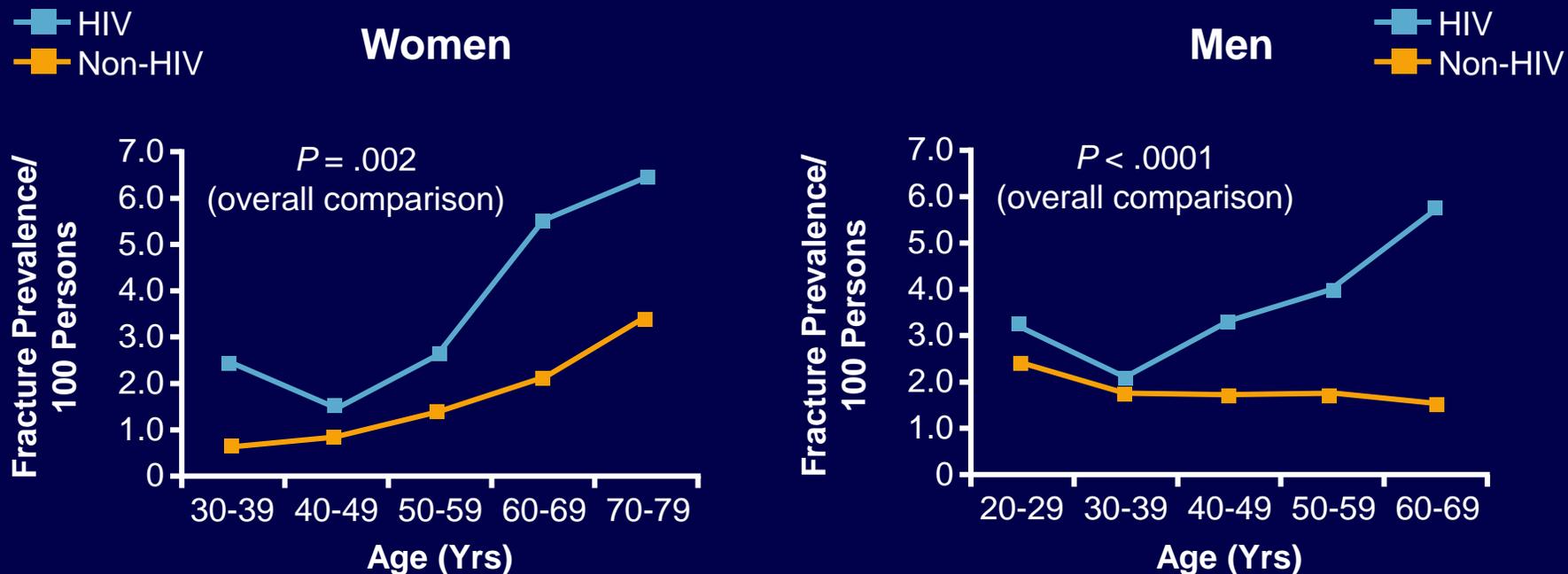
- Rate of incident DM was 4.7 cases/100 PYs in HIV-positive men vs 1.4 cases/100 PYs in seronegative men



	Pts at Risk, n			
HIV seronegative	361	265	177	89
HIV infected using ART	229	204	145	62

# Fracture Prevalence Is Increased in Older HIV-Positive Pts

- 8525 HIV-infected pts compared with 2,208,792 uninfected pts in Partners HealthCare System



# Recommendations for Evaluation and Management of Bone Disease in HIV

- DXA should be performed
  - Men  $\geq$  50 yrs of age
  - Postmenopausal women
  - People with a history of fragility fracture
  - Patients receiving chronic glucocorticoid treatment
  - People at high risk for falls
- If low bone mineral density is detected:
  - Assess for secondary causes (eg, vitamin D deficiency, hypothyroid, hypogonadism)
  - Calcium and vitamin D supplementation
  - Bisphosphonate may be indicated if osteoporosis detected
  - Avoidance of TDF

TABLE 2

**Non–AIDS-defining cancers in HIV-infected patients**

<b>Malignancy</b>	<b>Risk (standardized incidence ratio)</b>	<b>Screening recommendations</b>
<b>Anal</b>	33.4–42.9	European AIDS Clinical Society: Consider digital rectal examination with or without a Papanicolaou smear every 1–3 years <sup>a</sup>
<b>Hodgkin lymphoma</b>	14.7–31.7	None
<b>Liver</b>	7.0–7.7	European AIDS Clinical Society: Ultrasonography, alpha fetoprotein every 6 months National Cancer Institute: No recommendation
<b>Squamous cell carcinoma, basal cell carcinoma</b>	3.2	European AIDS Clinical Society, National Cancer Institute: Consider routine whole-body skin examinations US Preventive Services Task Force: Insufficient evidence
<b>Lung</b>	2.2–6.6	American Cancer Society: Consider chest radiography in high-risk <sup>b</sup> patients National Cancer Institute, US Preventive Services Task Force: Consider low-dose computed tomography in high-risk <sup>b</sup> patients

<sup>a</sup>Specific to HIV-infected men who have sex with men; currently no national guidelines.

<sup>b</sup>High-risk patients include those ages 55 to 74 in fairly good health who have a smoking history  $\geq 30$  pack-years AND are still smoking or have quit within the last 15 years.

# HIV and HAND

- HIV-associated neurocognitive disorders are common, with an estimated 50% of HIV- infected patients experiencing some degree of cognitive loss and some progressing to dementia.
- Can occur despite good HIV control with cART.
- Presentation: fluctuating symptoms such as psychomotor retardation, difficulty multitasking, and apathy.
- MMSE should not be used to screen – use Montreal Cognitive Assessment has been suggested as the best screening instrument in elderly HIV-infected patients; it is available at no cost at [www.mocatest.org](http://www.mocatest.org).
- Diagnosis of exclusion

# DHHS: Considerations for Initial ART Based on Age-Related Comorbidity

Scenario	Consider Avoiding	Options for Consideration*	
		Agent	Caveat
CKD (eGFR < 60 mL/min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TDF, especially in RTV-containing regimens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FTC/TAF</li> <li>ABC/3TC</li> <li>DRV/RTV + RAL</li> <li>LPV/RTV + 3TC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If eGFR &gt; 30 mL/min</li> <li>If HLA-B*5701 negative; 3TC requires dose adjustment if CrCl &lt; 50 mL/min</li> <li>If TAF or ABC cannot be used; if HIV-1 RNA &lt; 100,000 copies/mL and CD4+ cell count &gt; 200 cells/mm<sup>3</sup></li> <li>If TAF or ABC cannot be used; 3TC dose adjustment if CrCl &lt; 50 mL/min</li> </ul>
Osteoporosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TDF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FTC/TAF</li> <li>ABC/3TC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If HLA-B*5701 negative</li> </ul>
CVD risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ABC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DTG-, RAL-, or RPV-based regimens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If choosing boosted PI, ATV may be preferable to DRV, but further study needed</li> </ul>
Hyperlipidemia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PI/RTV or PI/COBI</li> <li>EVG/COBI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DTG-, RAL-, or RPV-based regimens</li> <li>TDF associated with lower lipid levels vs ABC or TAF</li> </ul>	

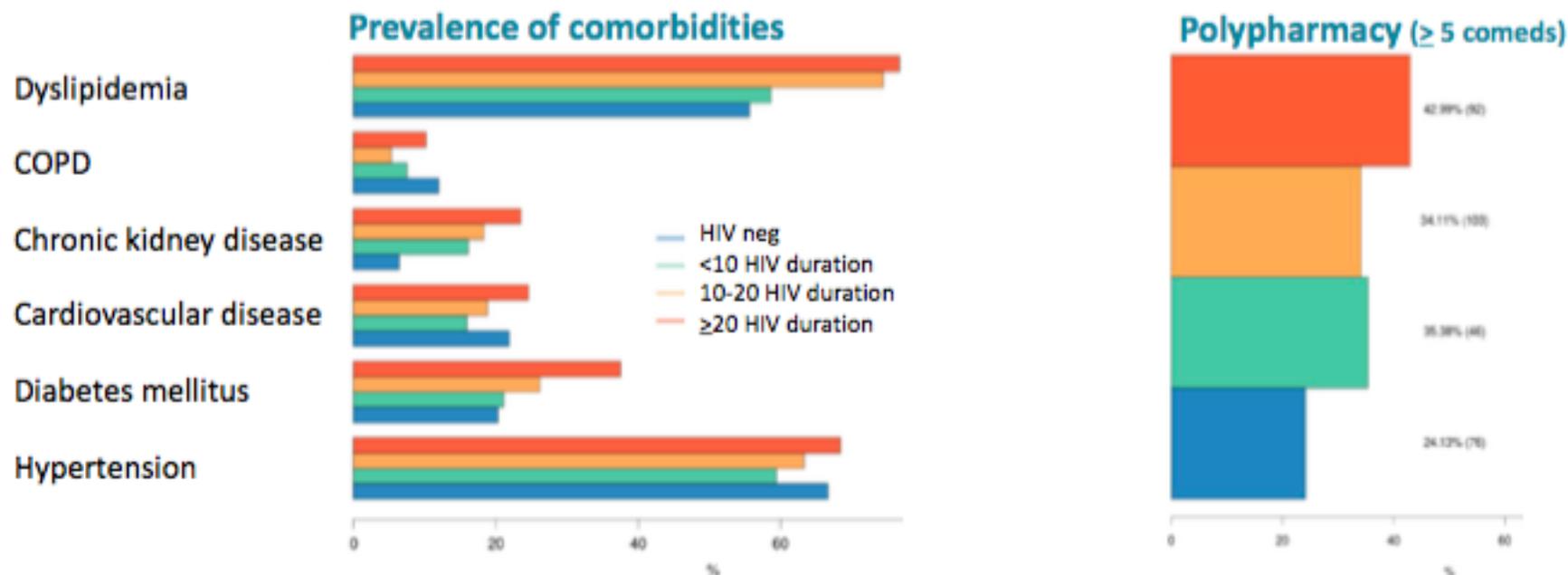
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# Polypharmacy



## Comorbidities & polypharmacy in uninfected versus infected elderly

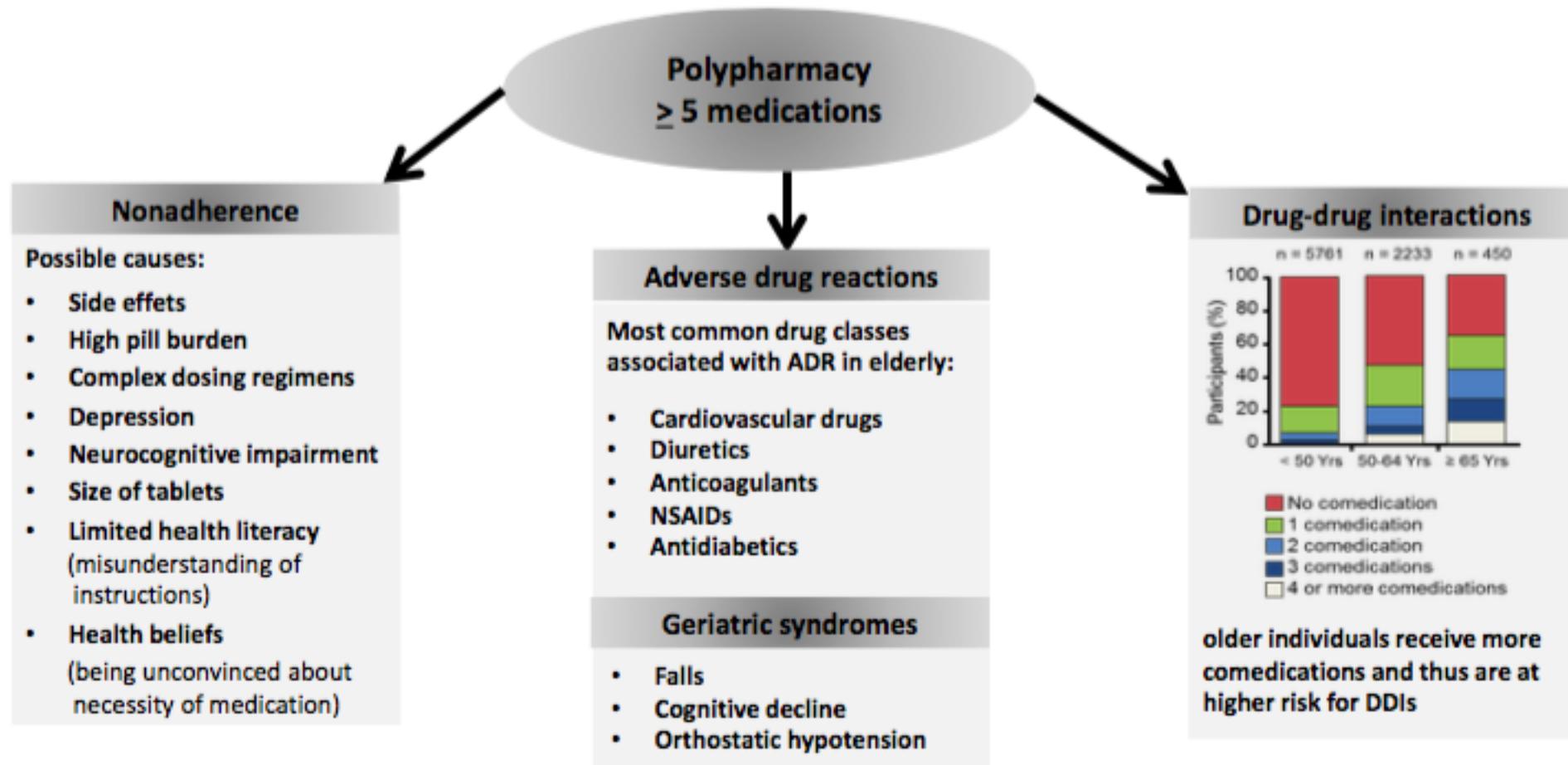
- **GEPPCO Cohort** (prospective multicentric italian cohort including  $\geq 65$  years old individuals)
- **1258 HIV positive** (65-74 y: 965;  $\geq 75$  y: 292) and **315 HIV negative** (224 and 91)



Overall, prevalence of comorbidities was comparable among HIV infected/uninfected elderly (64%/59%). After stratification based on HIV infection duration, individual comorbidities dyslipidemia, chronic kidney disease, diabetes were more prevalent in infected compared to uninfected individuals.

Overall, prevalence of polypharmacy was higher among HIV infected/uninfected elderly (37%/24%).

# Consequences of polypharmacy



## Summary

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- Polypharmacy ↑ risk of DDIs, drug related side effects and medications errors
- Elderly particularly at risk due to ↑ age related co-morbidities and age related physiological changes which impact the risk-benefit ratio of many drugs
- For an appropriate management of polypharmacy:
  - **medication reconciliation**
  - **review prescriptions**
    - **indication ==> stop unnecessary treatments**
    - **dose (e.g. adapt to renal function)**
    - **duration of treatment**
    - **drug-drug and drug-diseases interactions**
    - **inappropriate drugs**
    - **missing medication**
  - **prioritize medications according to risk and benefit for an individual patient and considering patient preferences**



# Drug-Drug Interactions

# ART Considerations for Pts With Polypharmacy Complications

- Older pts often have multiple comorbidities requiring co-medication
- This requires careful consideration of DDIs, dosing, and potential adherence challenges
- Use of Internet-based tools that are currently updated is highly recommended (eg, HIV iCHART)
- Of the current available third drugs, RAL and DTG have the better interaction profile

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## Liverpool HIV iChart

Providing summary data of HIV drug interactions.

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# Additional Drug–Drug Interactions With ART

	ATV/ RTV	DRV/ RTV	EFV	RPV	DTG	EVG/ COBI	RAL	ABC	FTC	3TC	TDF
Antacids	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Green	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
PPIs	Orange	Blue	Blue	Orange	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Alfuzosin	Orange	Orange	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Budesonide	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Fluticasone	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Sildenafil	Green	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
St John's wort	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Green	Orange	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Escitalopram	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Aspirin	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Yellow
Ibuprofen	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Yellow
Codeine	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Methadone	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue
Morphine	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Oxycodone	Green	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Tramadol	Green	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Diazepam	Green	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Midazolam	Orange	Orange	Green	Blue	Blue	Orange	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Pimozide	Orange	Orange	Orange	Yellow	Blue	Orange	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Phenytoin	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	Green	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue
Rifampicin	Orange	Orange	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	Green	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue

- No clinically significant interaction expected
- These drugs should not be coadministered
- Potential interaction that may require a dosage adjustment
- Potential interaction predicted to be of weak intensity

**Can we get our patients to age successfully?**

# Successful aging and the epidemiology of HIV

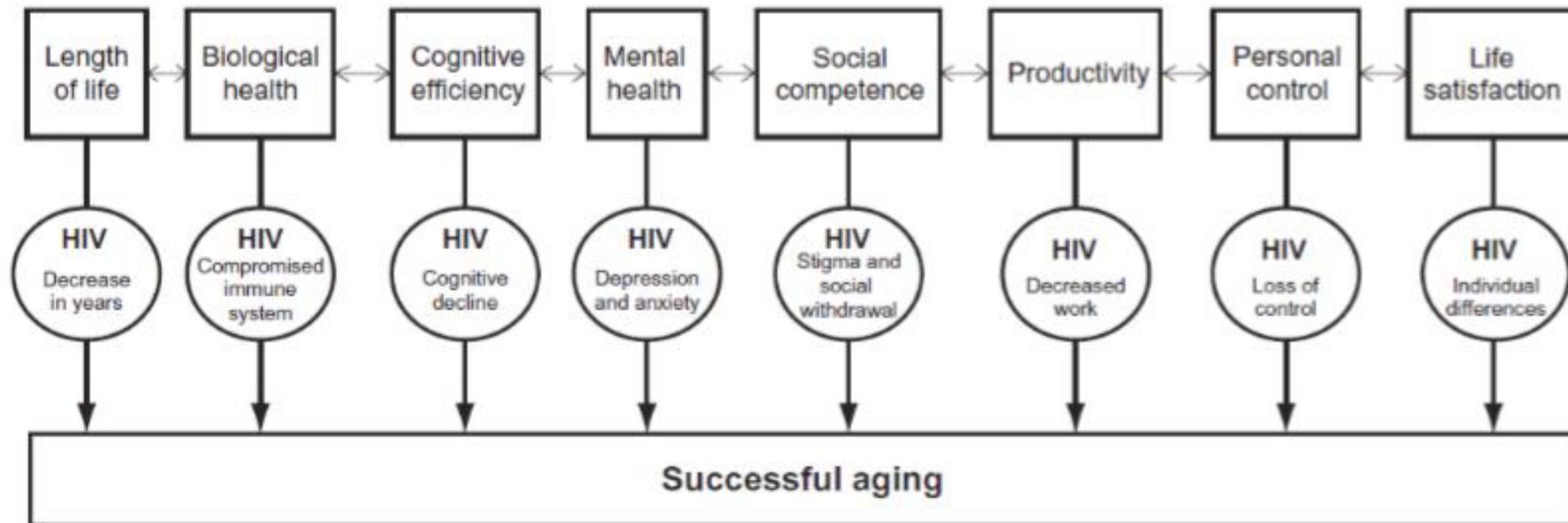
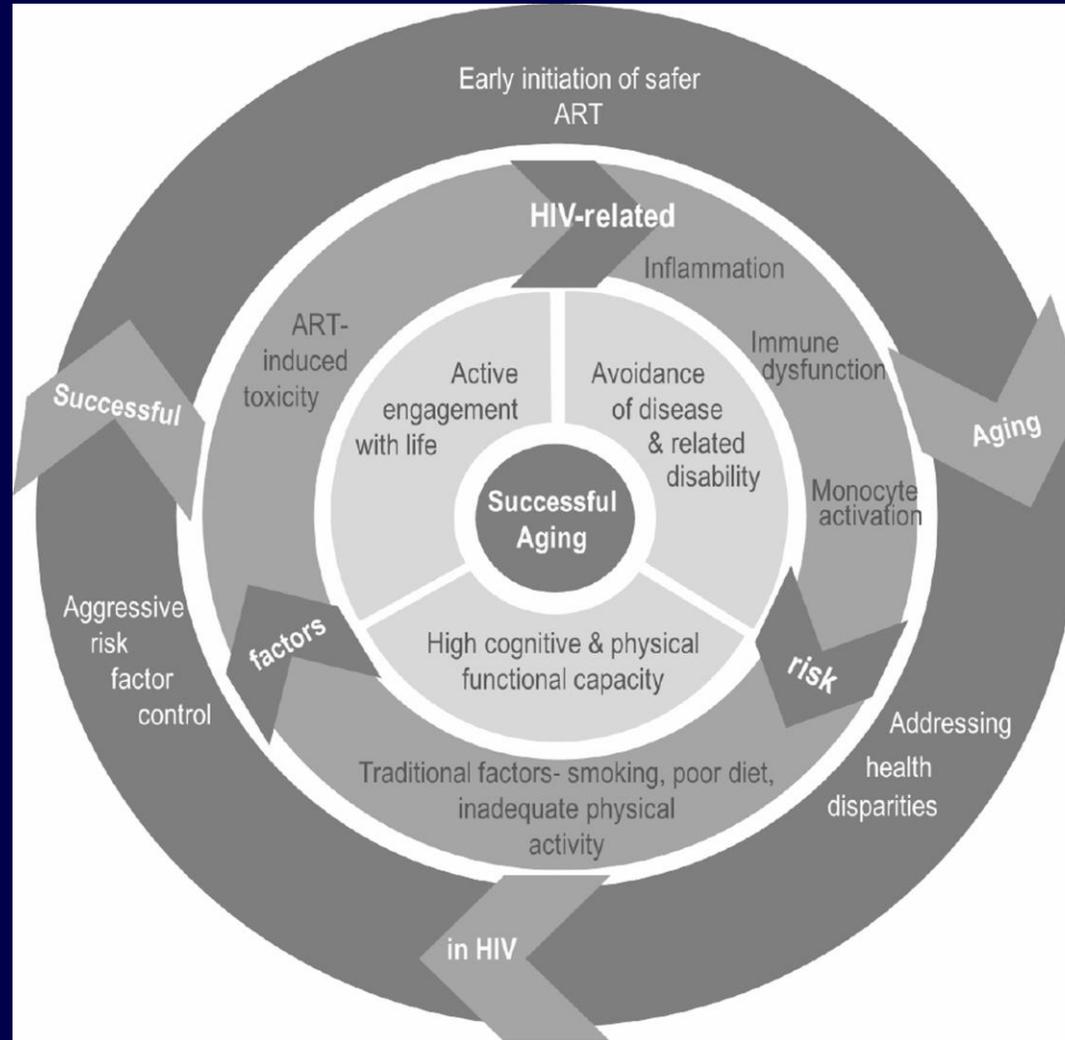


Figure 1 Factors of and obstacles to successful aging with HIV.

Figure 1



# Things to Think About Before Starting Therapy in an Older Patient

- ART recommended for all patients regardless of CD4+ cell count; especially important for older patients
- Adverse drug events from ART and concomitant drugs may occur more frequently in older patients with HIV
  - Bone, kidney, metabolic, cardiovascular, and liver health should be monitored closely
- Polypharmacy is common in older patients with HIV
  - Greater risk of drug–drug interactions
- HIV experts should collaborate with primary care providers and other specialists to optimize medical care of older HIV-infected patients with complex comorbidities

# Keeping Healthy HIV Patients Healthy: How to Beat Inflammation and Limit Comorbidities

- Adhere to HIV medications
- Quit smoking
- Refine diet and maintain normal weight
  - For obese individuals, hypocaloric diet can reduce inflammation<sup>[1]</sup>
- Exercise
  - Study of sedentary HIV-infected patients on ART (N = 49) found that 60 mins brisk walking ± 30 mins strength training 3 times/wk for 12 wks improved functional status and reduced inflammatory markers/immune activation<sup>[2]</sup>
- Reduce alcohol intake; avoid drugs
- Provide hepatitis and HPV vaccinations
- Advise sunscreen and avoidance of sun overexposure
- Screening:
  - Yearly cervical and anal Pap tests as indicated<sup>[3]</sup>
  - Colon cancer screening at age 50<sup>[3]</sup>
  - Breast cancer screening every other yr at age 50<sup>[4,5]</sup>
  - Prostate screening risks and benefits discussed at age 50<sup>[4,6]</sup>
  - If HBV+ or HCV+, screen for liver cancer<sup>[3]</sup>

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OPINION

# **Achieving the fourth 90: healthy aging for people living with HIV**

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