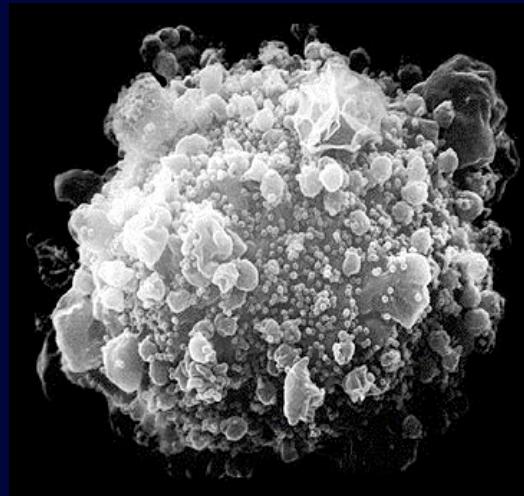


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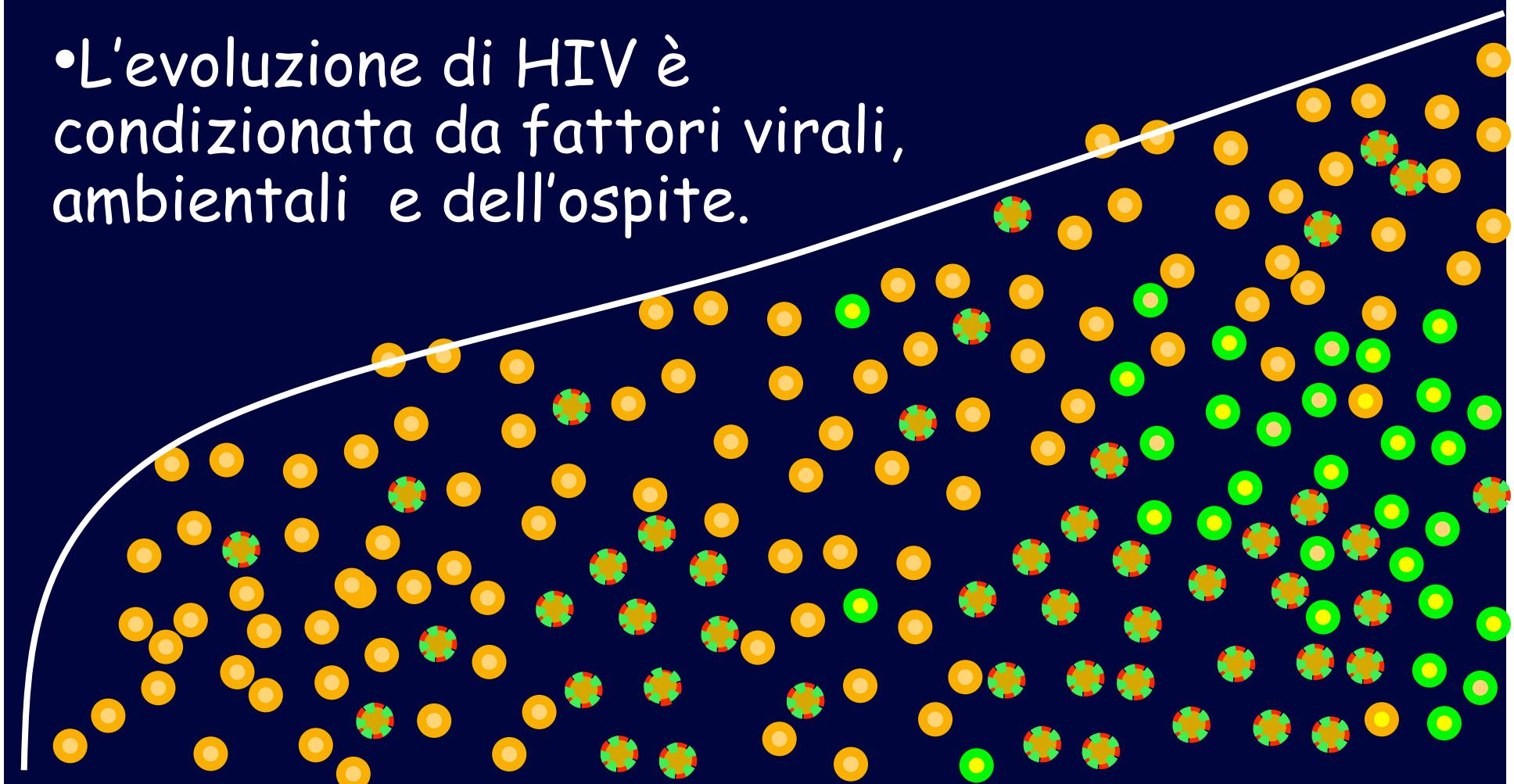


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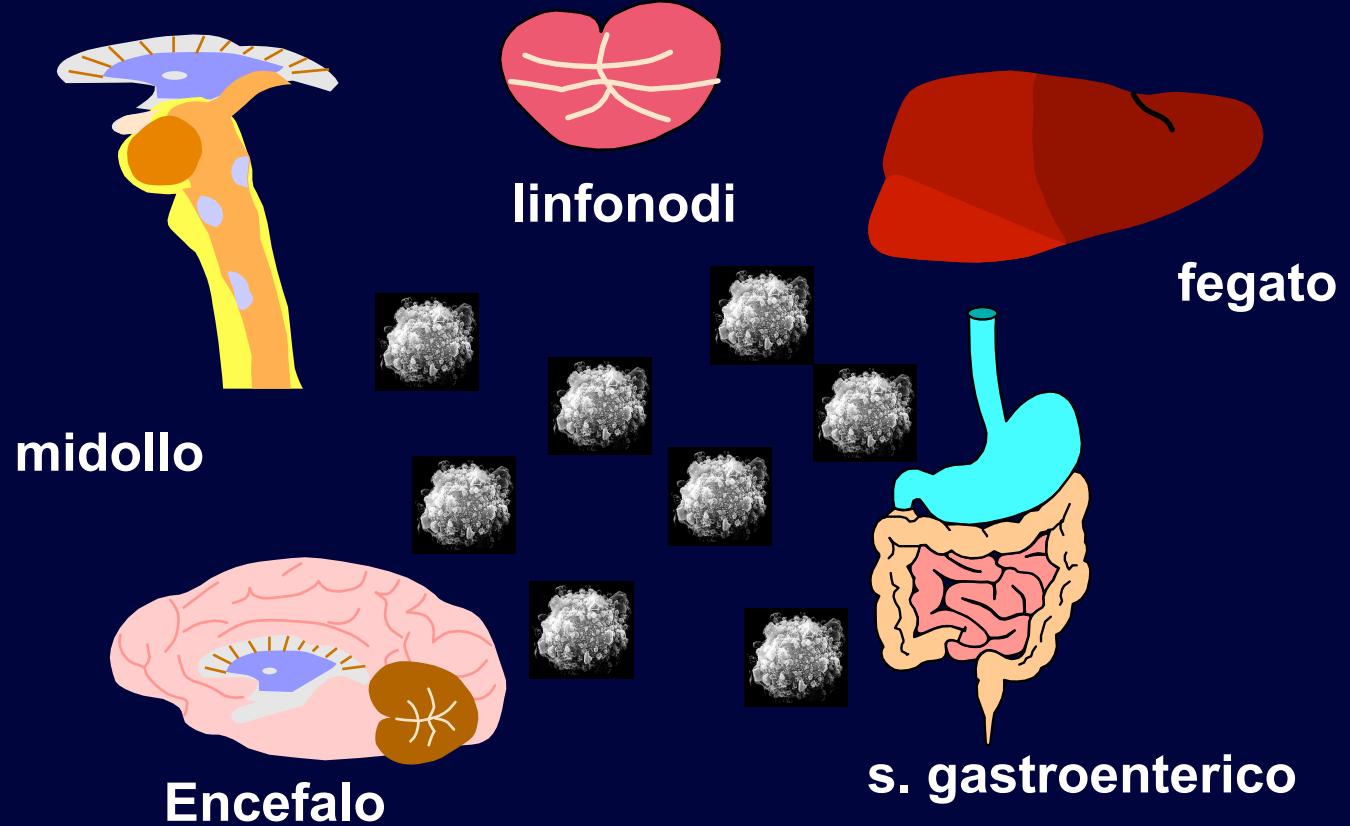
- La comprensione delle dinamiche e della evoluzione di sottopopolazioni di HIV nel paziente è cruciale per il disegno di strategie terapeutiche.

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Compartimentalizzazione di HIV-1

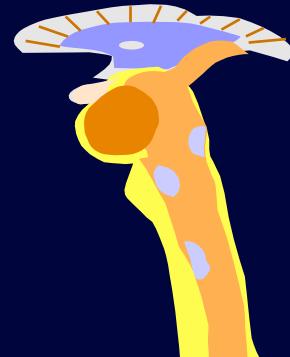
Nelle fasi precoci, HIV colonizza differenti organi e può costituire popolazioni alquanto separate, condizionate ad adattarsi a particolari ambienti e soggette a differenti pressioni selettive.



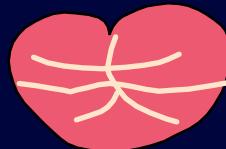
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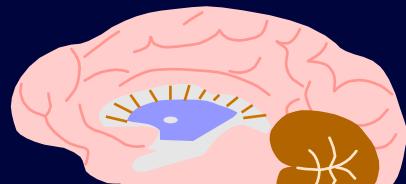
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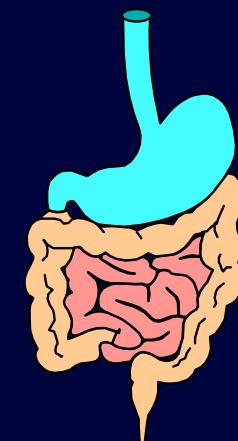
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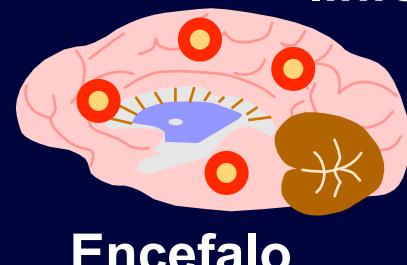
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Meccanismi responsabili della Compartimentalizzazione

- Se l'interscambio tra sub-popolazioni è ridotto, alcune possono divenire geneticamente distinte e compartmentalizzate.
- Popolazioni compartmentalizzate possono avere distinte caratteristiche fenotipiche, come tropismo, citopatogenicità, profilo di resistenza.



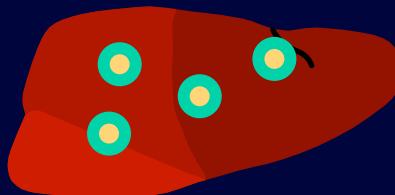
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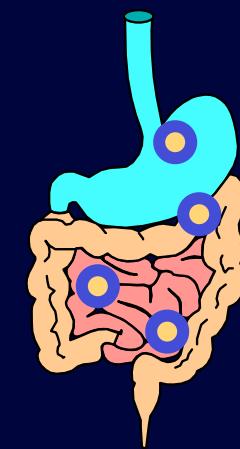
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La compartmentalizzazione ed archiviazione di HIV avviene precocemente nei linfociti T di memoria del sangue circolante.



Drug-resistance mutations can be archived very early in HIV primary infection

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Parisi SG, Mazzi R, Boldrin C, Dal Bello F, Franchin E, Andreoni M, Palù G

The infection was sustained by at least two different strains, a resistant and a wild-type virus, suggesting that a compartmentalization may occur very early as a result of the different fitness

Table 1. Drug resistance mutations revealed in plasma and peripheral blood mononuclear cells.

Source	RT	PR	Source	RT	PR
Plasma, undiluted	77F1, 100F1L, 101K, 106IL, 108LV, 118DEV, 215ST	30DEHQ, 33V, 63S	PBMC undiluted	41LM, 67DN, 118IV, 184MV, 210LV, 215NSTY	10I, 33LV, 36IM, 46IM, 54IV, 63FLPS, 77IV, 82CFGV
Dilution 1 : 1000			PBMC dilution 1 : 150		
Regions amplified nos. 7, 18, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 32, 36b, 37, 40	None	33V 63S	Regions amplified nos. 45, 46, 49, 53, 58, 62, 68, 73, 74, 75, 77, 79	None	33V 63S
Region amplified no. 22	None	33V 36I 63S	Region amplified no. 14	41LM, 67DN, 118IV 181HY, 184GMRV, 210LW, 215NSTY	10IL, 20IKM, 33LV, 36IM, 46IM, 54IV, 63FLPS, 77IV 82CFGV
			PBMC dilution 1 : 450		
			Regions amplified nos. 19, 30, 40	None	33V 63S
			Region amplified no. 24	67N, 184V, 210W, 215Y	36I
			Region amplified no. 32	M41L, D67N, V118I	10I, 20I, 36I, 46I, 54V, 77I, 82C

High frequency of X4/DM-tropic viruses in PBMC samples from patients with primary HIV-1 subtype-B infection in 1996–2007: the French ANRS CO06 PRIMO Cohort Study

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Objectives: To estimate the frequency of viruses with X4 or dual-X4/DM tropism from peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) of 390 human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) subtype-B patients diagnosed at the time of primary HIV-1 infection (PHI) between 1996 and 2007 and enrolled in the PRIMO Cohort.

Methods: V3 loop sequences were amplified from HIV-1-DNA and analysed with a combination of five genotypic rules to predict tropism: (i) the '11/25 rule'; (ii) the net charge rule; (iii) the PSSM_{X4/DM} algorithm; (iv) the PSSM_{SIV/NSI} algorithm; and (v) the SVM_{Geno2pheno} algorithm.

Results: A high proportion (62/390, 15.9%) of patients harboured X4/DM-tropic viruses. This prevalence was stable over time: 18.1% before 2003 versus 14.8% since 2003. No difference according to HIV tropism was noted in HIV-RNA levels, CD4 cell count, time between infection and enrolment, and HIV infection risk factor. The frequency of X4/DM-tropic virus was similar among patients infected with a resistant virus (12/62, 19.4%) compared with patients harbouring wild-type strains (50/328, 15.2%).

Conclusions: This large French epidemiological study evidenced a high proportion of patients (15.9%) harbouring X4/DM-tropic viruses in PBMCs at the time of PHI, suggesting the existence of a cellular X4/DM viral reservoir that could persist for lengthy period of time. Several reports identified that HIV-1 CXCR4 usage was more frequent among patients who developed AIDS and was a powerful predictor of the response to antiretrovirals. Further studies are needed to evaluate the impact of such strains on the outcome of HIV disease, when they are detected at the time of primary infection.

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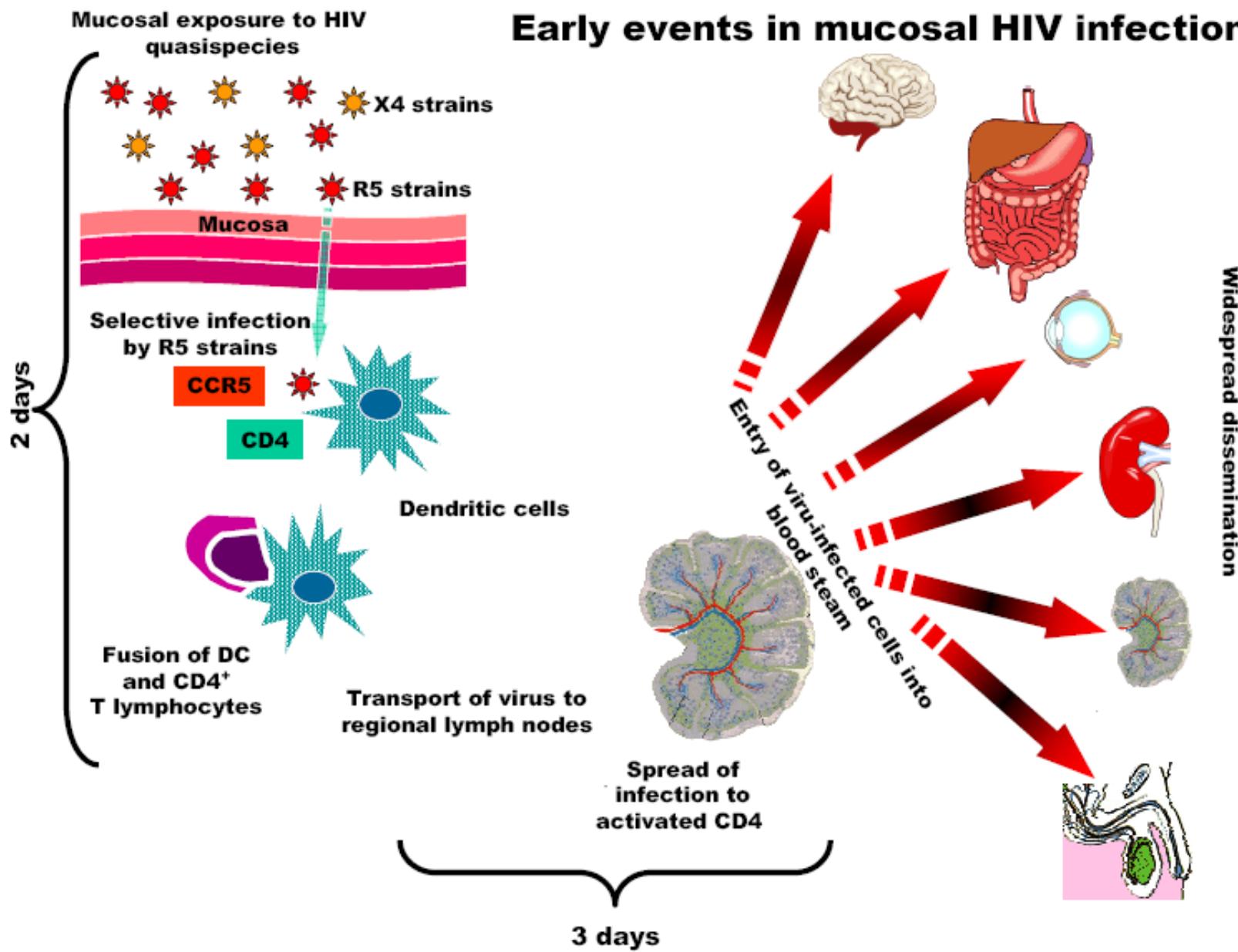
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Significato della compartmentalizzazione di HIV nei PBMCs (*) nelle strategie terapeutiche:

- Selezione di ceppi virali resistenti durante HAART.
- Fallimento in regimi di semplificazione.

(*) = Periferical Blood Mononuclear Cells

Early events in mucosal HIV infection



La compartmentalizzazione di HIV nell'apparato gastroenterico

Primary HIV Infection of Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissue (GALT) is the First Pathogenic Event Leading to Substantial CD4⁺ T cell Destruction and the main source of persistent activation

Lymph Nodes

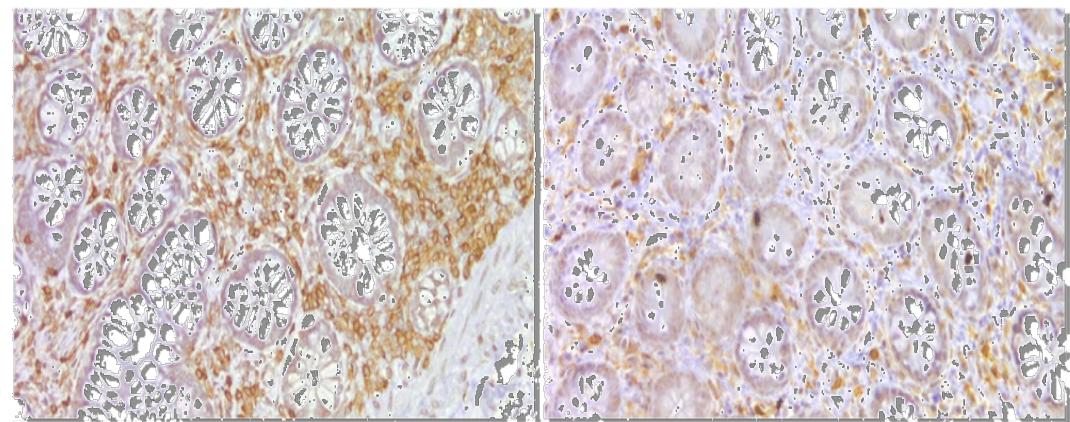


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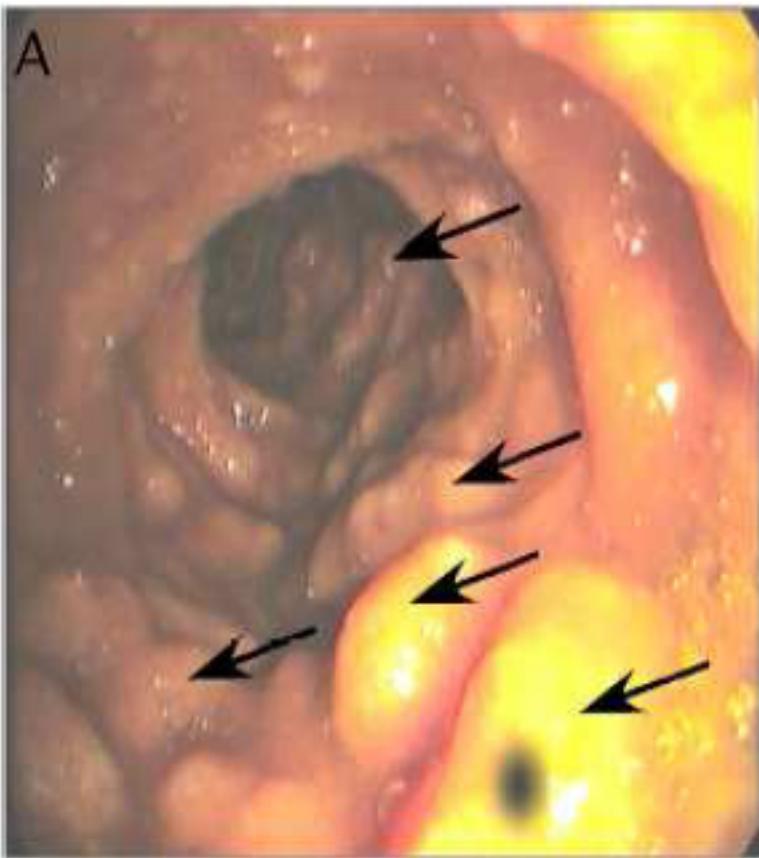
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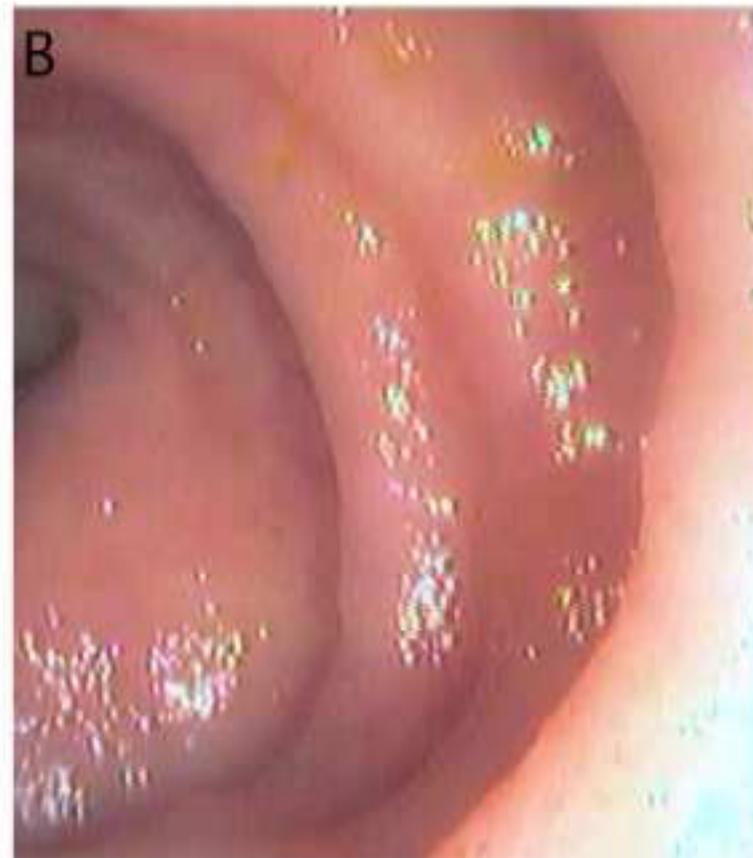


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**Terminal ileum,
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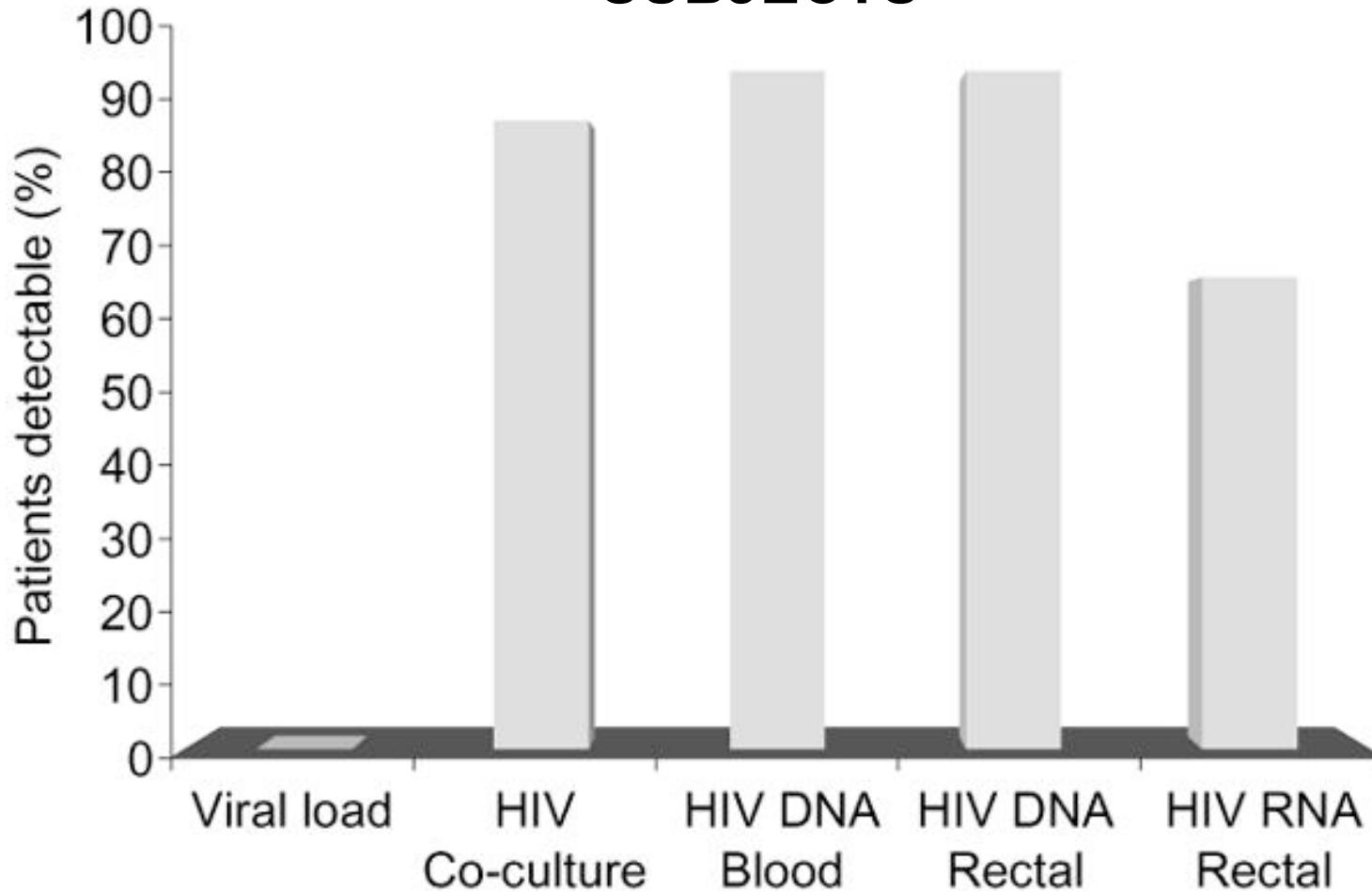
**HIV infection results in a rapid and dramatic
depletion of CCR5+ CD4+ memory T cells in gut
(without evidence of increase activation/turnover)**



Multiple measures of HIV burden in blood and tissue are correlated with each other but not with clinical parameters in aviremic subjects

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HIV-1 LOAD IN BLOOD AND TISSUES OF AVIREMIC SUBJECTS



All reservoir assays demonstrated detectable HIV in the majority of subjects despite persistently undetectable levels in plasma (< 40 copies/ml).



Differences in HIV Burden and Immune Activation within the Gut of HIV-Positive Patients Receiving Suppressive Antiretroviral Therapy

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Background. The gut is a major reservoir for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) in patients receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART). We hypothesized that distinct immune environments within the gut may support varying levels of HIV.

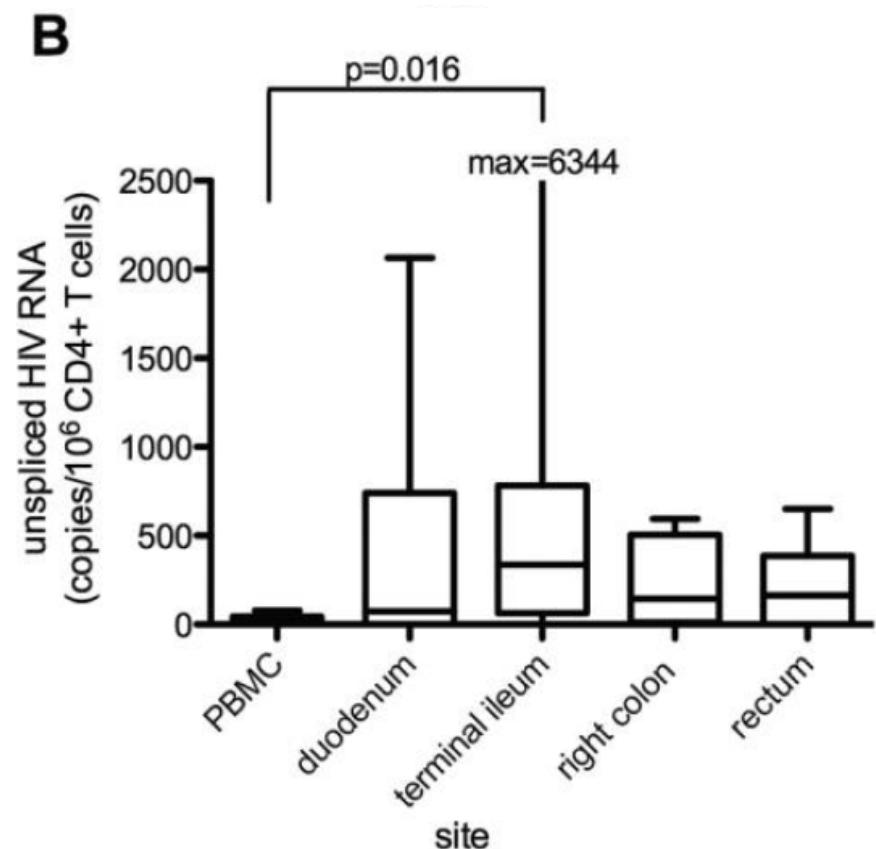
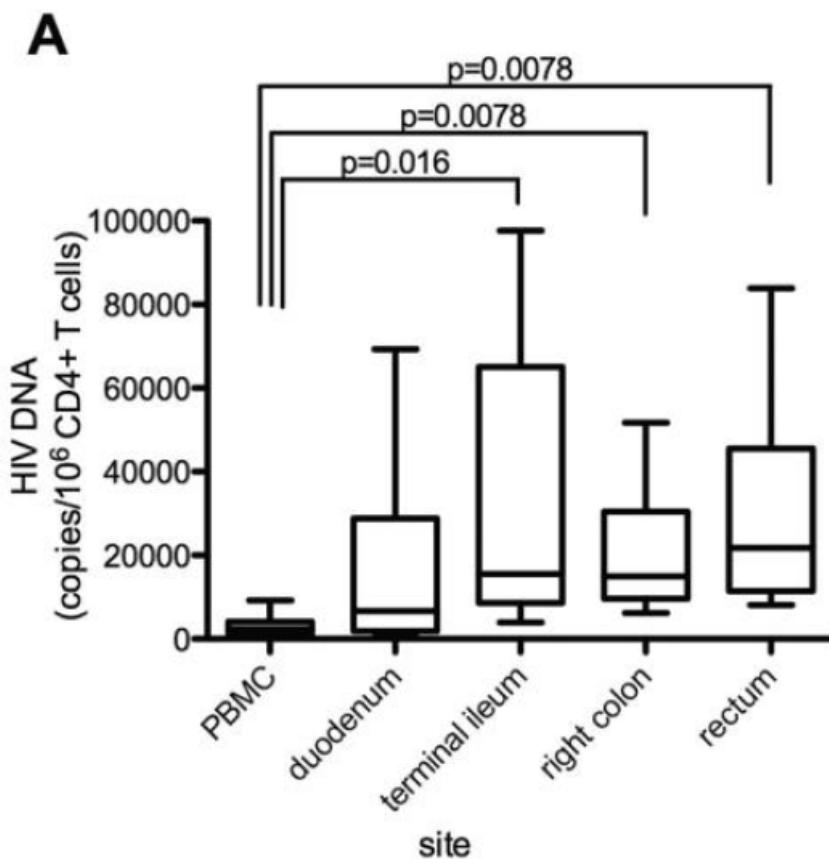
Methods. In 8 HIV-1-positive adults who were receiving ART and had CD4⁺ T cell counts of >200 cells/ μ L and plasma viral loads of <40 copies/mL, levels of HIV and T cell activation were measured in blood samples and endoscopic biopsy specimens from the duodenum, ileum, ascending colon, and rectum.

Results. HIV DNA and RNA levels per CD4⁺ T cell were higher in all 4 gut sites compared with those in the blood. HIV DNA levels increased from the duodenum to the rectum, whereas the median HIV RNA level peaked in the ileum. HIV DNA levels correlated positively with T cell activation markers in peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) but negatively with T cell activation markers in the gut. Multiply spliced RNA was infrequently detected in gut, and ratios of unspliced RNA to DNA were lower in the colon and rectum than in PBMCs, which reflects paradoxically low HIV transcription, given the higher level of T cell activation in the gut.

Conclusions. HIV DNA and RNA are both concentrated in the gut, but the inverse relationship between HIV DNA levels and T cell activation in the gut and the paradoxically low levels of HIV expression in the large bowel suggest that different processes drive HIV persistence in the blood and gut.

Trial registration. ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT00884793 (PLUS1).

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HIV-DNA in rectal cells is well correlated with HIV-DNA in blood in different groups of patients, including long-term non-progressors

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Most of the body's lymphoid tissue is in gut and constitutes an immense HIV reservoir. We quantified HIV-DNA in rectum and compared it with blood levels for 27 HIV-infected adults from different groups. We observed a large range of rectal and blood HIV-DNA levels. They were positively correlated ($r=0.841$, $P<0.0001$). Long-term non-progressors and patients in 'remission' after anti-retroviral treatment interruption had the lowest blood and mucosal HIV-DNA levels.

Long-term nonprogressors and patients in 'remission' after antiretroviral treatment interruption had the lowest blood and mucosal HIV-DNA levels

Table 1. Patient characteristics and total HIV-DNA in rectal cells and peripheral blood mononuclear cells.

Patient	Sex	Age	At inclusion								
			HIV infection duration (months)	Zenith HIV-RNA log ₁₀ copies/ml	CD4 T-cell nadir cells/ μ l	Plasma HIV-RNA log ₁₀ copies/ml	CD4 T-cell count in blood cells/ μ l	HIV-DNA log ₁₀ copies/10 ⁶ PBMC	HIV-DNA log ₁₀ copies/10 ⁶ rectal cells	Total aviremia duration (months)	Aviremia duration after treatment interruption (months)
Untreated patients at primary stage of infection (group 1)											
1	Male	40	1.0	5.2	729	5.1	726	3.6	4.0	0.0	
2	Female	30	1.0	5.8	483	4.9	526	3.6	3.9	0.0	
3	Male	50	3.0	5.8	267	5.8	322	3.3	3.3	0.0	
Patients initiating treatment for primary infection (group 2)											
4	Male	40	4.0	5.3	720	<1.7	850	3.2	3.9	0.5	
5	Male	43	0.5	6.2	815	4.9	1129	3.3	3.5	0.0	
Chronically infected patients, untreated (group 3)											
6	Male	59	117.0	4.9	377	4.3	425	3.7	4.0		
7	Male	51	12.0	5.5	267	5.0	267	3.7	3.8		
8	Male	49	38.0	5.8	252	5.7	251	3.6	3.5		
9	Female	28	120.0	6.0	15	6.0	15	3.8	3.3		
10	Male	47	22.0	5.7	261	4.6	469	3.3	3.0		
Chronically infected patients, on effective HAART initiated at the chronic phase of infection (group 4)											
11	Male	53	135.0	4.5	99	<1.7	473	3.2	2.9	66.0	
12	Male	43	96.0	4.7	45	<1.7	107	3.1	2.8	8.0	
13	Male	51	122.0	4.4	105	<1.7	270	3.5	2.8	49.0	
14	Female	24	64.0	5.3	222	<1.7	426	3.5	2.8	27.0	
15	Male	56	122.0	5.8	17	<1.7	503	3.5	2.5	41.0	
16	Female	33	125.0	5.0	12	<1.7	177	2.7	2.5	6.0	
17	Male	60	130.0	4.9	377	<1.7	808	3.4	2.5	58.0	
18	Male	42	132.0	5.1	225	<1.7	525	2.9	2.4	75.0	
Chronically infected patient, on effective HAART initiated for primary infection (group 5)											
19	Male	36	57.0	4.9	587	<1.7	648	1.5	2.1	53.0	
Patients in 'remission' after treatment interruption (group 6)											
20	Female	41	119.0	3.4	468	<1.7	565	2.0	2.2	111.0	29.0
21	Male	40	121.0	4.3	388	<1.7	1050	2.2	2.1	112.0	38.0
22	Female	35	54.0	4.5	490	<1.7	671	2.0	1.8	37.0	28.0
23	Female	37	70.0	4.6	502	<1.7	765	1.5	1.8	53.0	45.0
24	Female	39	99.0	5.0	640	<1.7	1000	1.9	1.8	90.0	9.0
Long-term non-progressors (group 7)											
27	Male	31	90.0	3.1	609	3.1	601	2.1	2.1		
26	Male	30	76.0	3.2	601	2.3	783	2.3	2.0		
25	Male	45	99.0	2.7	682	2.0	840	2.2	1.9		

La compartmentalizzazione di HIV nel Sistema Nervoso Centrale



Early antiretroviral treatment prevents the development of central nervous system abnormalities in simian immunodeficiency virus-infected rhesus monkeys

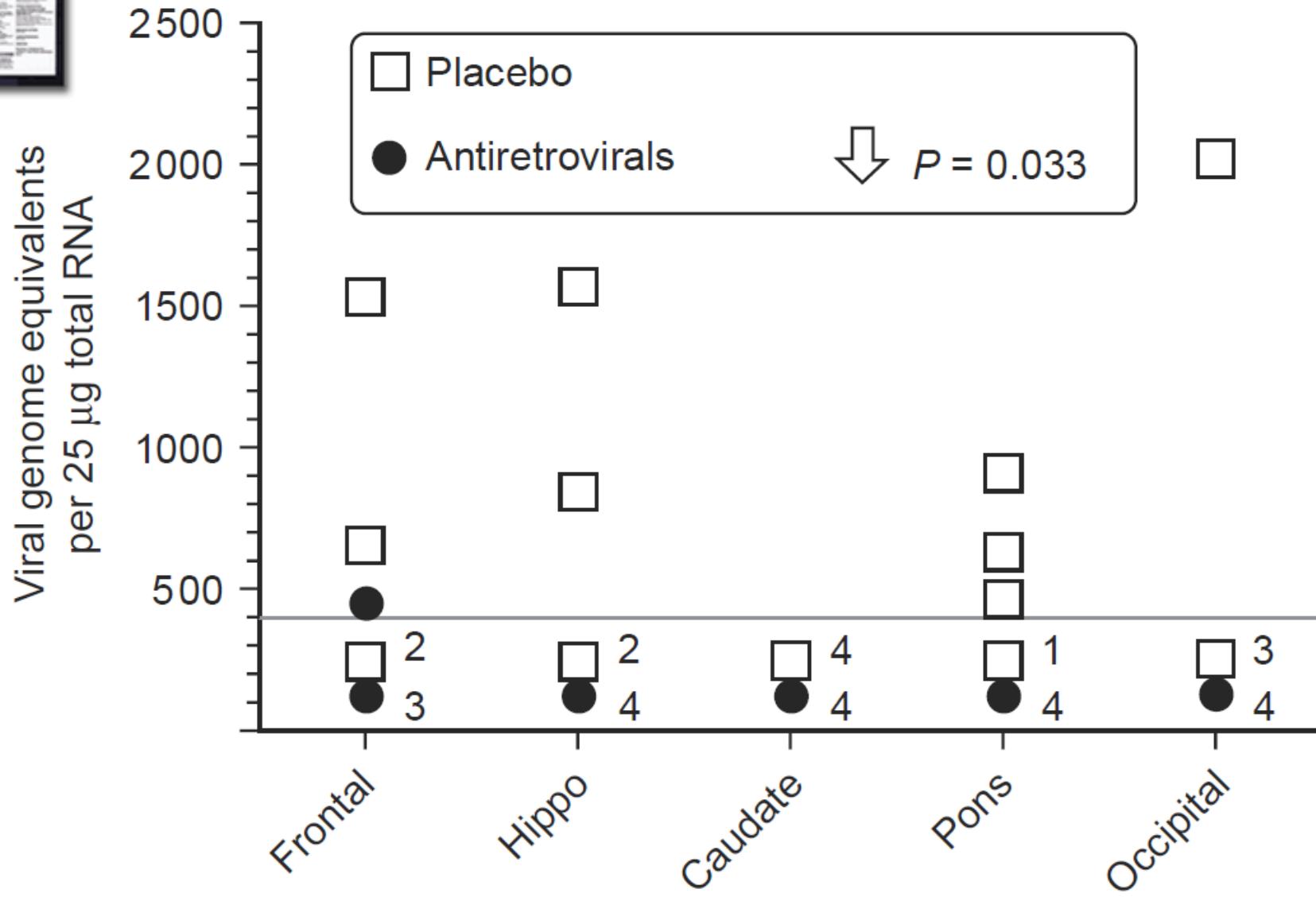
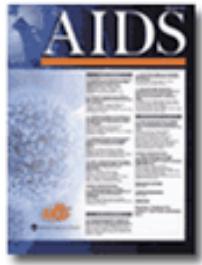
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Objective: Neurocognitive disorders are devastating consequences of HIV infection. Although antiretroviral regimens have been efficacious in both improving life expectancy and decreasing dementia, there has not been an effect on the overall prevalence of HIV-associated neurocognitive disorders. Whether early institution of treatment, or treatment with drugs that effectively penetrate the blood–brain barrier, would help protect from such conditions is not known. Using the simian immunodeficiency virus/macaque model, we investigated the hypothesis that early introduction of antiretroviral treatment can protect the brain.

Design and methods: Animals were inoculated with simian immunodeficiency virus, and upon resolution of the acute infection period divided into two groups and treated, or not, with combination antiretroviral therapy. Viral, immune, and physiological parameters were measured during the course of infection, followed by assessment of viral, immune, and molecular parameters in the brain.

Results: We observed that even with agents that show poor penetration into the central nervous system, early antiretroviral treatment prevented characteristic neurophysiological and locomotor alterations arising after infection and resulted in a significant decrease in brain viral load. Although the number of infiltrating immune cells in the brain did not change with treatment, their phenotype did, favoring an enrichment of effector T cells. Early treatment also significantly lowered brain levels of interferon- α , a cytokine that can lead to neurocognitive and behavioral alterations.

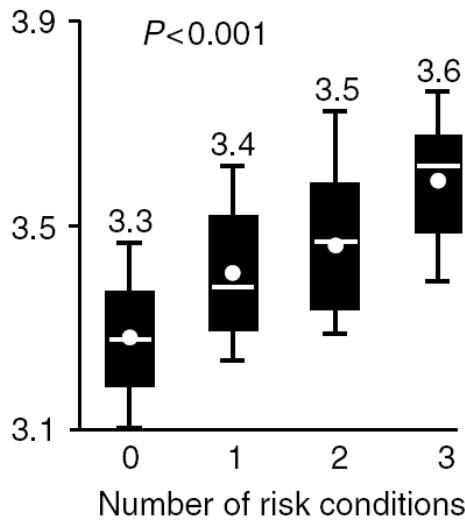
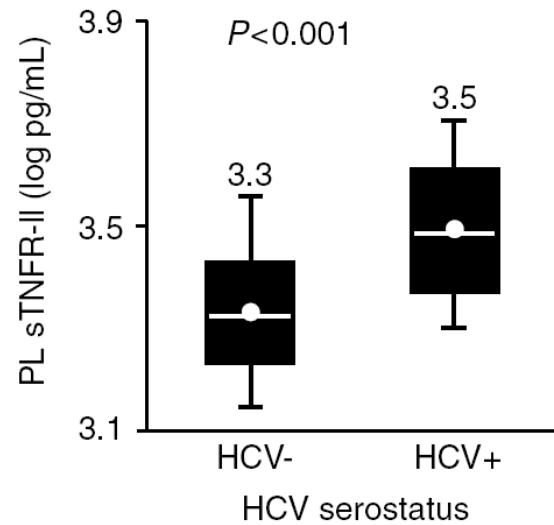
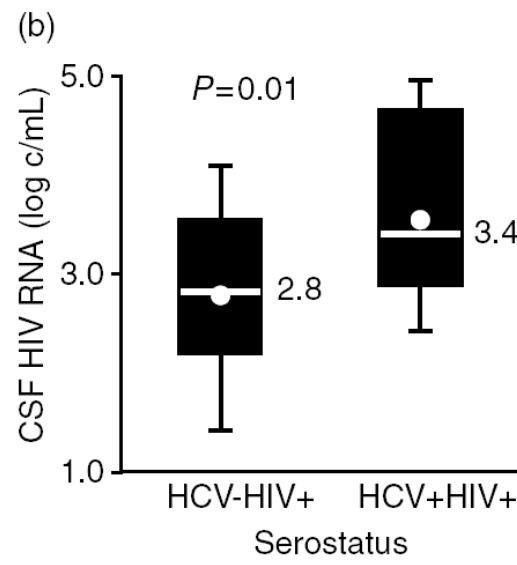
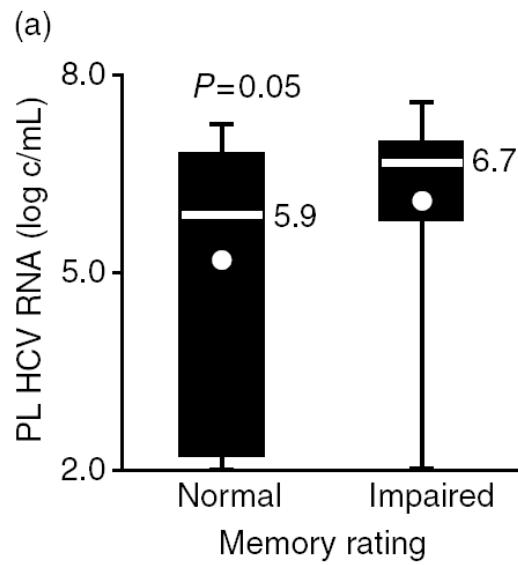
Conclusion: Early antiretroviral treatment prevents central nervous system dysfunction by decreasing brain viral load and interferon- α levels, which can have a profound impact over the course of infection. © 2009 Wolters Kluwer Health | Lippincott Williams & Wilkins



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Suscettibilità delle cellule del sistema nervoso centrale all'infezione da HIV

Cell Type	Chemokine receptor	CD4 antigen	HIV susceptibility	Productive infection
Perivascular macrophages	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Microglia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Astrocytes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Oligodendrocytes	Yes	No	<i>In vitro</i>	No
Neurons	Yes	No	No	No
Brain microvascular endothelial cells	Yes	No	<i>In vitro</i>	No



Coinfezione
HIV+/HCV+:
effetto
sull'RNA di
HIV-1 nel
CSF e markers
di attivazione

CSF = Fluido
cerebrospinale



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Single Agent Therapy with Lopinavir/ritonavir Controls HIV-1 Replication in the Central Nervous System

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Background

- Lopinavir/ritonavir (LPV) as single-agent therapy has exhibited high efficacy comparable to combination HAART when used as a variety of treatment strategies.
- Inability to control HIV replication in sanctuary sites such as the central nervous system (CNS) may limit success of LPV as a single agent.
- LPV has demonstrated control of HIV replication when used in combination with other antiretroviral drugs (ART). Although LPV concentrations in CNS are lower than plasma, studies have shown control of replication levels that surpass wild-type (WT) replication.
- Prior studies not detecting LPV in the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) have been limited by insufficient assay sensitivity.
- Prior studies of LPV detection in CNS were limited by low detection limits of assays used or were limited by short duration studies prior to LPV suppression.

Methods

With informed consent, open label LPV was initiated in 40 adults (mean age 40.5 years) with HIV-1 infected subjects. LPV is administered orally, once daily, 400 mg twice daily.

Subjects were approached by the institution of their choice and all patients signed a letter provided with them for consent.

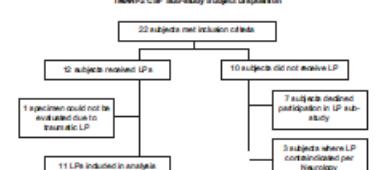
Monitoring criteria:

All subjects recruited in MANNA-2 who had reached at least week 24 with 2 months of plasma HIV-1 < 75 copies (by Roche Molecular Diagnostics (RMD)) by September 15, 2006, were approached for enrollment in this study. Plasma HIV RNA was performed by LabCorp.

Exclusion criteria:

Contraindication to lumbar puncture (LP) (e.g., coagulopathy).

MANNA-2 CSF Sub-study Subject Disposition



LPs were performed by board certified neurologists using standard techniques.

LPs were performed at a mean time of week 30 (range 24-48).

CSF samples for the analysis of HIV RNA were obtained 4-6 hours after LP. CSF samples for the remaining analyses were obtained 6-12 hours after LP. Plasma was also obtained at the time of LP. The median time between CSF and plasma sampling was 37 minutes (range 25-75).

An LP is considered to be clinically relevant if CSF HIV RNA in CSF was measured via RT-PCR (Roche Molecular Diagnostics (RMD)) to a level of 1000 copies/ml.

LPV was measured by Roche molecular diagnostics (RMD) in CSF and high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) in a subset of 10 LPs and plasma to a level of 1000 copies/ml.

CD-45 assay was modified to previously published version 1 LPV and then assayed at 1000 copies/ml and then assayed by a subset of 10 LPs using RMD, resulting in 1000 copies/ml and variability <10%.

LPV concentrations in CSF were compared to CSF and plasma by correlation coefficient (r_s) derived from a regression of log LPV in CSF versus log LPV in plasma.

Materials

- Of the twelve CSF samples obtained, two were reliable.
- One CSF sample was excluded because the LP was unsafe (RBC, 100, WBC, 100, HIV RNA copies/ml).
- The failed subjects required due to lack of LP to obtain a sample, age, gender (Table 1).

Table 1 Demographics

	n=11
Age (yr) – median [range]	39 [20-61]
Gender male/female (%)	65
Ethnicity (%)	
Asian/Asian	5 (45)
Latino	3 (27)
White	1 (9)
Black	1 (9)
Weight (kg) – median [range]	165 [103-246]
Ht (kg/m ²) – median [range]	25 [19.0-30.0]
Pre-treat CD4 T cells (cells/mm ³) – median [range]	364 [30-544]
Pre-treat HIV RNA (copies/ml) – median [range]	42.8 [37.4-78]

Results (continued)

- 1111 subjects had quantifiable LP plasma concentrations (Table 2).
- Median plasma LP concentration was 0.65 ng/ml (range 0.1-100).
- Median CSF LP concentration was 24.1 ng/ml, median CSF LP/range 7.5-162.
- The median LPV_{CSF} was 12.6, range 1.6 (range 0.7-24.4).
- All subjects had LPV concentrations in CSF below the median LPV in CSF.

Table 2 Drug concentrations in CSF and LP

Subject	Plasma LP ng/ml	Plasma LP ng/ml	CSF LP ng/ml	LPV _{CSF} ng/ml	CSF LP/range
003	15.94	15.94	24.3	12.6	0.35
004	4.87	4.87	3.1	1.6	0.15
005	10.87	10.87	20.1	10.0	0.38
006	11.66	11.66	17.0	11.0	0.35
007	7.76	7.76	11.8	6.2	0.35
008	8.14	8.14	26.8	15.6	0.34
009	11.96	11.96	16.3	9.8	0.35
010	6.26	6.26	31.5	16.6	0.34
011	11.73	11.73	27.3	16.2	0.35
012	6.59	6.59	30.7	16.5	0.35
013	6.98	6.98	21.3	11.2	0.35

Other subjects had LP with no LPV, CSF LP was treated with the same regimen for 4 weeks and no evidence of LPV in CSF.

LPV in the plasma or CSF sampling interval was 0.58 hours (range 0.07-4.8).

Post dose plasma sampling interval was 0.55 hours (range 0.04-0.7).

The median CSF LP/range was 0.24 (range 0.1-0.7), Table 3.

The median LPV in CSF was less than the median LPV in plasma in all subjects.

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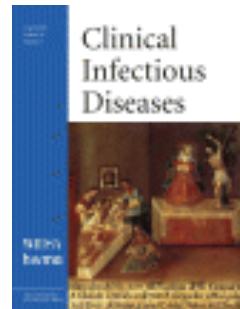
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In 10 of 11 subjects LPV/r given as single-agent therapy effectively controlled viral replication in the CSF compartment.

The implications of potential CNS viral replication during ARV in the absence of resistance, whether using single agent therapy or triple agent HAART, warrants further study.

Table 3: Plasma viral load, CD4+ and week of LP

Subject	Week of LPV/r	Pre-treatment plasma CD4+ cells/mm ³	Plasma CD4+ cells/mm ³ at LP	Plasma copies/mL (bDNA)	CSF HIV RNA copies/mL
003	48	228	449	< 75	< 50
004	48	482	546	< 75	< 50
010	48	204	646	< 75	< 50
016	48	308	471	< 75	< 50
017	48	257	515	< 75	< 50
031	32	530	599	< 75	< 50
032 (Sample 9/06)	36	171	348	< 75	251
032 (Sample 1/07)	48	—	399	< 75	747
036	32	272	458	< 75	< 50
037	32	143	265	< 75	< 50
041	32	316	371	< 75	< 50
044	24	186	769	< 75	< 50



Discordance Between Cerebral Spinal Fluid and Plasma HIV Replication in Patients with Neurological Symptoms Who Are Receiving Suppressive Antiretroviral Therapy

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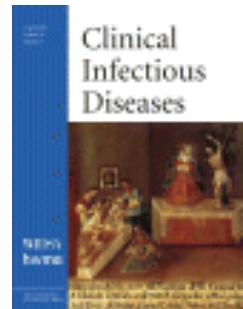
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Objective. We report data on 11 patients with neurological symptoms and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) viremia contrasting with suppressed plasma HIV RNA during receipt of combined antiretroviral therapy.

Design. We retrospectively identified instances of central nervous system (CNS) symptoms in patients who had been receiving stable combination antiretroviral therapy. Discordance between plasma and CSF HIV RNA levels was defined by any detectable CSF HIV RNA level >200 copies/mL while plasma levels were <50 copies/mL or by a CSF HIV RNA level that was ≥ 1 log greater than the plasma HIV RNA level.

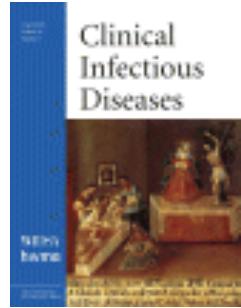
Results. Eleven patients had experienced acute or subacute neurological symptoms. All but one patient had CSF pleocytosis and/or elevated protein levels. The median CSF HIV RNA level was 880 copies/mL (range, 558–12,885 copies/mL). Patients had been receiving stable combination antiretroviral therapy for a median of 13 months (range, 10–32 months). Eight of 11 patients had a plasma HIV RNA level <50 copies/mL, and 3 had plasma HIV RNA blips with their CSF HIV RNA level >1 log higher than their plasma HIV RNA level. Resistance-associated mutations were detected in 7 of 8 CSF HIV RNA genotypic strains. The median number of resistance-associated mutations was 6 (range, 2–8) to nucleoside reverse-transcriptase inhibitors and 3 (range, 1–9) to protease inhibitors. One patient had a virus harboring nonnucleoside reverse-transcriptase inhibitor mutations. The median central nervous system penetration-effectiveness (CPE) rank was 2 (range, 1–3), and 5 patients had a CPE ≤ 1.5 . After antiretroviral therapy optimization based on genotypes and CPE, all patients clinically improved, with normalization of CSF.

Conclusions. Despite successful suppression of plasma viremia with antiretroviral therapy, HIV may replicate in CSF, with development of CSF HIV resistance resulting in acute or subacute neurological manifestations.



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Treatment	CSF		Plasma		Neurological symptoms	Treatment
	HIV RNA level, copies/mL	ART concentration trough, ng/mL	HIV RNA level, copies/mL	ART concentration trough, ng/mL		
TDF	12,885	12	147	52	Persistent headache	TDF
FTC		NA		19		FTC
ATVr		<30		538		ATVr
AZT	845	28	<50	<10	Memory disorders, cerebellar ataxia	AZT
3TC		201		244		3TC
IDVr		154		565		IDVr
T20		<50		1427		T20
3TC	1190	NA	<50	597	Cerebellar dysarthria, cerebellar ataxia	3TC
ABC		75		86		ABC
ATV		<30		980		ATV
IDVr		97		893		IDVr
TDF	870	NA	78	NA	Tactile allodynia	TDF
FTC		NA		NA		FTC
fAPVr		47		1495		fAPVr
3TC	5035	<10	<50	<10	Glasgow Coma Score of 3	3TC
ABC		332		270		ABC
TDF		191		878		TDF
DRVr		207		8992		DRVr
DRVr	580	<5	<50	3522	Persistent headache	DRVr
FTC	558	NA	<50	NA	Memory disorders, cerebellar ataxia, pyramidal syndrome	FTC
ABC		NA		NA		ABC
ATVr		18		194		ATVr
3TC	1023	NA	<50	NA	Lower limb disesthesia and hypoesthesia	3TC
AZT		NA		NA		AZT
ABC		NA		NA		ABC
EFV						EFV
3TC	586	NA	<50	388	Memory disorders, left lower limb disesthesia	3TC
DdI		NA		NA		DdI
TDF		NA		28		TDF
NVP				4864		NVP
3TC	880	NA	<50	NA	Temporospatial disorientation, cerebellar ataxia	3TC
AZT		NA		NA		AZT
ATV		NA		NA		ATV
LPVr	6999	NA	483	NA	Memory disorders, cerebellar dysarthria	LPVr



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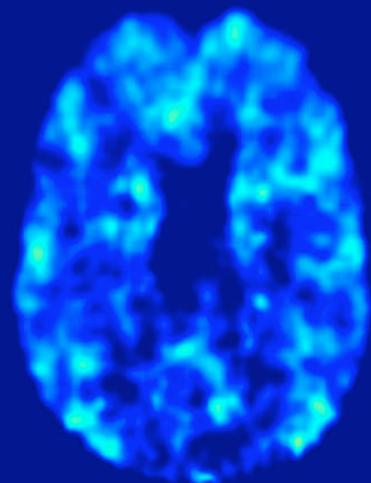
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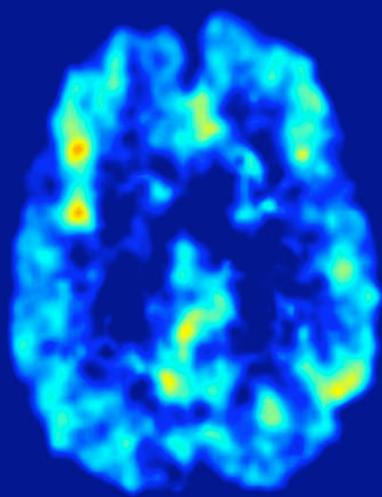
Nonostante la soppressione viologica plasmatica in corso di HAART, l'HIV può replicare nel CSF, con lo sviluppo di resistenze. Questa situazione può portare a manifestazioni neurologiche acute o subacute.

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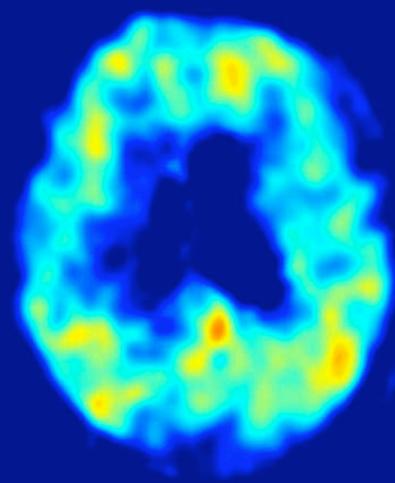
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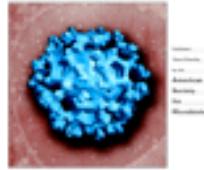


ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE



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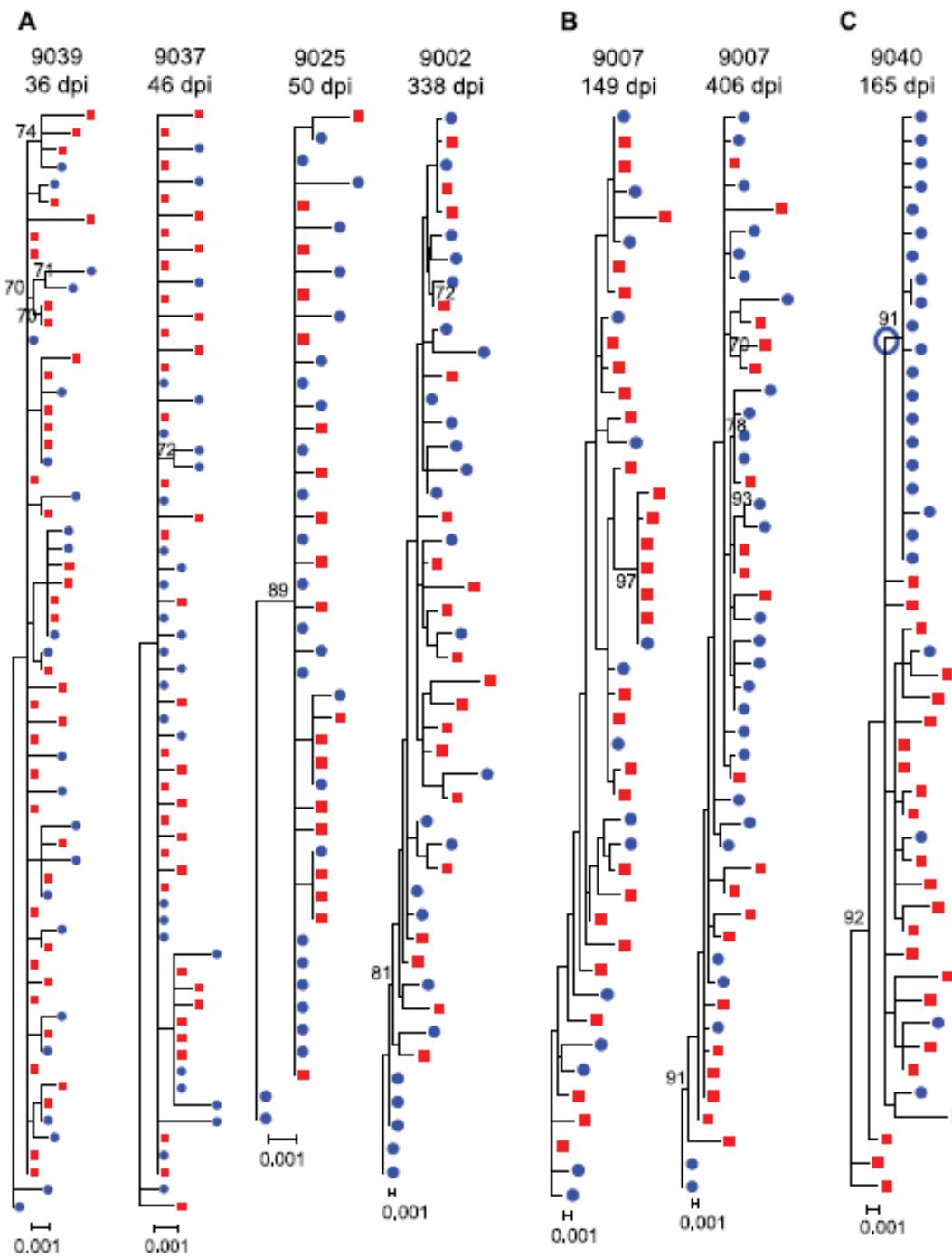
Compartmentalization and Clonal Amplification of HIV-1 Variants in the Cerebrospinal Fluid during Primary Infection[▼]

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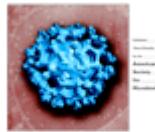
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To assess HIV-1 genetic compartmentalization early during infection, we compared HIV-1 populations in the peripheral blood and CSF in 11 primary infection subjects, with analysis of longitudinal samples over the first 18 months for a subset of subjects.



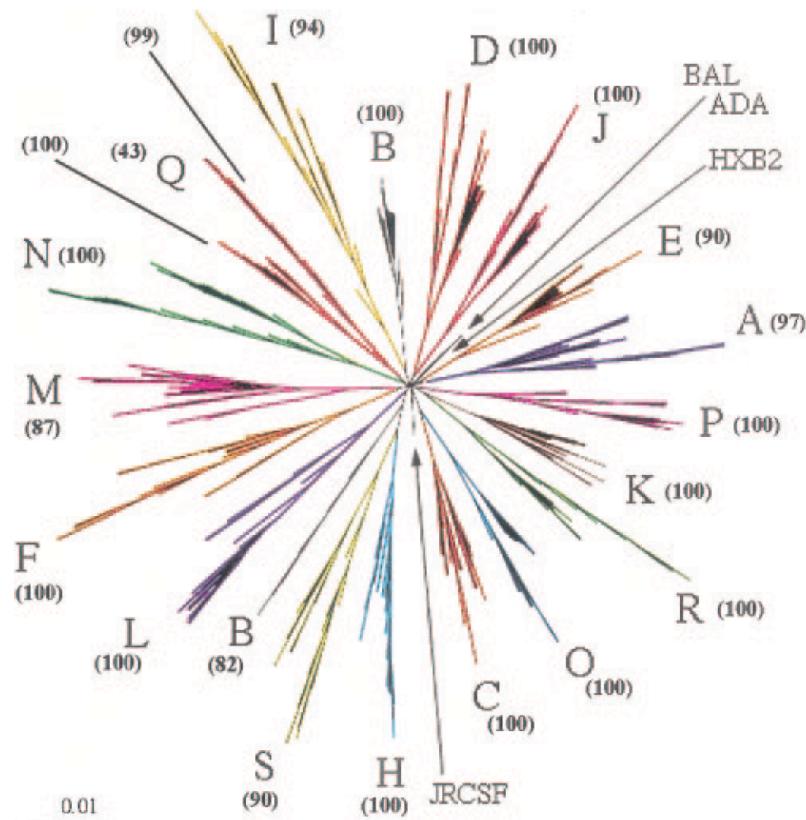
Phylogenetic analysis of plasma and CSF HIV-1 populations. (A) for 4 subjects with equilibration between blood plasma and CSF HIV-1 populations. (B) for subject 9007 at 149 days p.i. (dpi) and 406 days p.i. HIV-1 populations were equilibrated at 149 days p.i. but became slightly discordant at 406 days p.i. (C) for subject 9040, which displays significant compartmentalization in the CSF. Sequences obtained from the CSF are labeled with solid blue circles, and plasma sequences are labeled with solid red rectangles on the tree.





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Compartmentalized CNS viral evolution and discordant resistance in HIV advanced patients



Elevated (50%) rate of discordant resistance between plasma and CSF

In 8 of 9 subjects with discordant resistance, mutations were noted in plasma but not in CSF (less selective drug pressure)

In 17 of 18 subjects, sequences from CSF and plasma from the same subject clustered more closely to one another than did either CSF-CSF or plasma-plasma sequences.

Strain, J Virol, 2005

HIV coreceptors and CNS

- Main cell target: microglia, infection via CD4/CCR5
- Subpopulations of neurons and glial cells may be infected via CXCR4 and undergo apoptosis
- Low levels of CXCR4 also expressed by astrocytes and endothelial cells (CD4-independent infection?)
- X4 and DM but not R5 virus induces neuronal and astrocyte apoptosis in primary human fetal brain cultures, however some R5 viruses (ADA) also induce neuronal apoptosis

HIV dementia occurs at late stages of disease, however individuals may progress to dementia with a pure R5 virus population

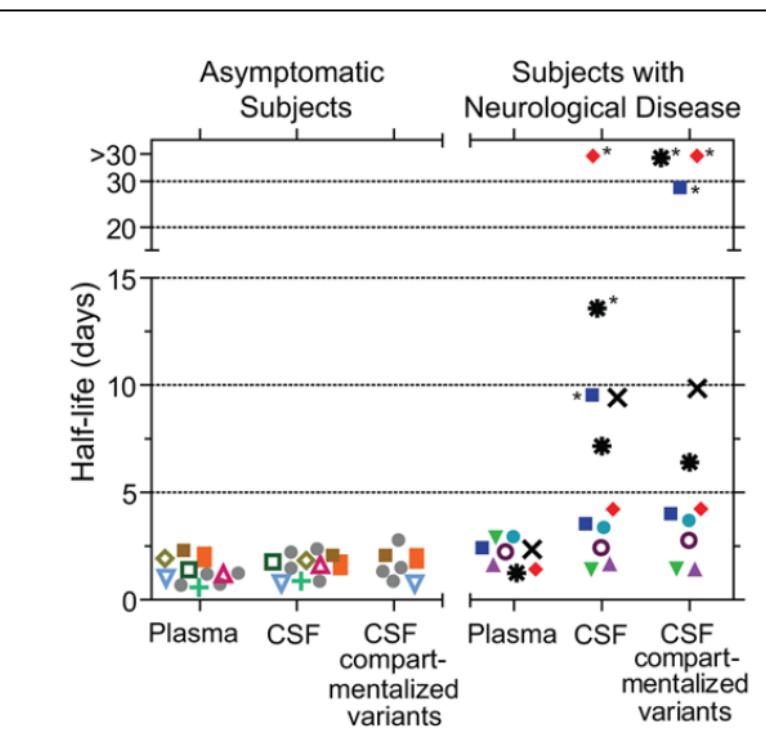
Compartmentalized Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1 Originates from Long-Lived Cells in Some Subjects with HIV-1-Associated Dementia

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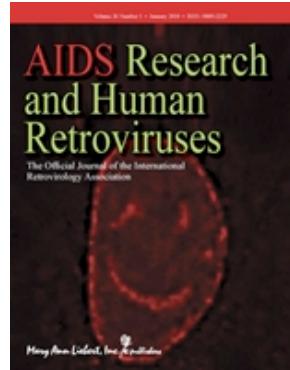


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Presence of HIV-1 R5 Viruses in Cerebrospinal Fluid Even in Patients Harboring R5X4/X4 Viruses in Plasma

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Mode of Coreceptor Use by R5 HIV Type 1 Correlates with Disease Stage: A Study of Paired Plasma and Cerebrospinal Fluid Isolates

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Our findings show that a discordance CSF and plasma virus coreceptor use is not uncommon. Furthermore, we provide support for an emerging paradigm, where the acquisition of a more flexible mode of CCR5 usage is a key event in R5 virus pathogenesis. This may, in turn, negatively impact the efficacy of CCR5 antagonist treatment in late stage HIV-1 disease.

TABLE 1. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE 28 SUBJECTS INCLUDED IN THE STUDY^a

Patient	CDC stage	CD4 ⁺ T cell count ($\times 10^6$ cells/liter)	Plasma-RNA (copies/ml)	CSF-RNA (copies/ml)	CSF-neopterin (nmol/liter)	AIDS-related disease ^b	Coreceptor use in plasma	Coreceptor use in CSF
1	A1	820	2,900	5,100	NA		R5	R5
2	A1	627	32,000	2,500	10		R5	R5
3	B1	532	23,000	75,000	17		R5	R5
4	A1	530	8,700	10,500	NA		R5	R5
5	A1	510	1,900	28,000	NA		R5	R5
6	A1	510	70,000	1,450	NA		R5X4	R5 
7	A1	505	56,000	11,000	NA		R5	R5
8	A1	500	23,000	600	6		R5	R5
9	A2	490	52,000	119,000	31		R5	R5
10	A2	490	17,000	49,000	28		R5	R5
11	A2	400	1,452	750,000	NA		R5	R5
12	A2	330	67,000	29,000	NA		R5	R5
13	C2	230	257,000	254,000	74	ADC	R5	R5
14	C2	213	12,900	125,000	270	ADC	R5	R5
15	C3	168	58,000	114,000	31	KS	R5	R5
16	A3	150	77,000	118,000	33		R5	R5
17	C3	138	89,000	21,000	121	ADC	R5X4	R5 
18	A3	134	165,000	225,000	39		R5X4	R5X4
19	C3	87	36,000	64,000	102	ADC, MAC	R5	R5
20	C3	60	682,000	750,000	46	ADC	R5X4	R5X4
21	C3	49	534,000	88,000	50	ADC	R5	R5
22	C3	48	273,000	14,700	39	PCP	R5X4	R5 
23	C3	42	53,000	70,000	34	C. esophagitis	R5	R5
24	B3	40	15,000	139,000	21	<i>Cryptosporidium</i>	R5	R5
25	A3	38	54,000	1,400	10		X4	R5X4
26	C3	36	52,000	132,000	42	Lymphoma	R5	R5
27	C3	35	607,000	102,000	30	ADC, PCP	R5	R5
28	C3	27	41,000	7,900	52	PCP	R5X4	R5X4



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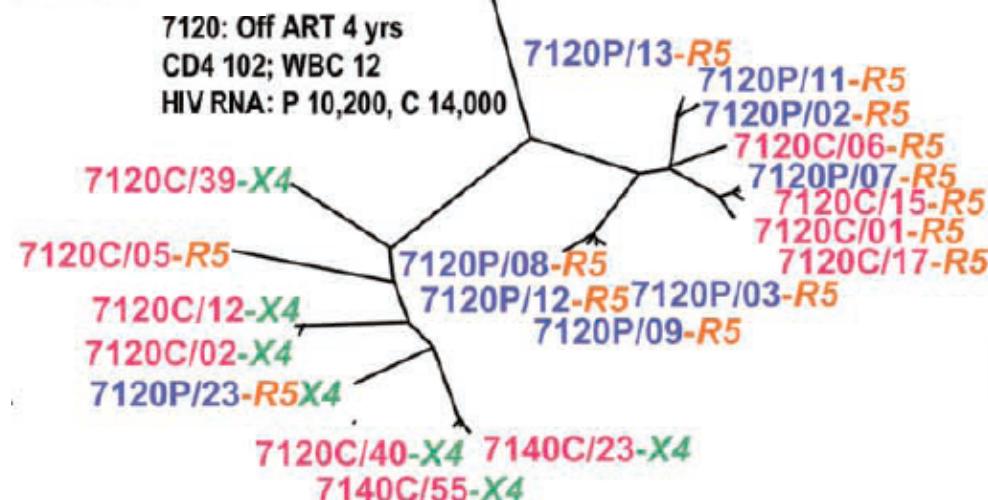
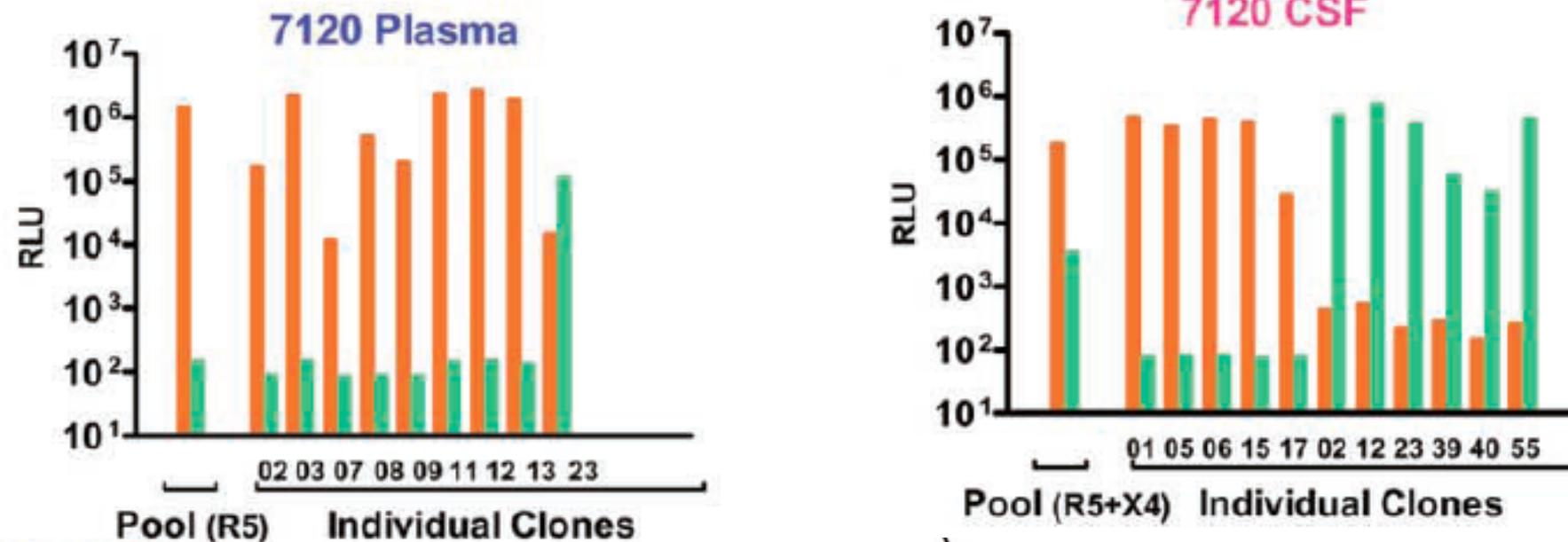
Group	Subjects, no.	Receiving ART, % of subjects	CD4 T cell count, cells/mm ³	HIV RNA level, log ₁₀ copies/mL		CSF:plasma albumin ratio ($\times 10^{-3}$)	CSF WBC count, cells/mm ³
				Plasma	CSF		
All subjects	46	19.5	244.5 (129.3–326.0)	4.77 (4.26–5.17)	3.84 (3.33–4.32)	5.8 (3.9–7.7)	5 (3–8)
R5 CSF							
R5 plasma, R5 CSF	36	16.7	267.0 (186.5–348.8)	4.71 (4.24–4.99)	3.90 (3.30–4.46)	5.6 (3.8–7.6)	6 (4–9)
R5+X4 plasma, R5 CSF	3	33.3	123.0 (85–228)	4.80 (3.46–4.80)	4.24 (3.66–4.29)	7.6 (4.2–7.9)	5 (0–73)
R5+X4 CSF							
R5 plasma, R5+X4 CSF	2	0.0	184.5 (102–267)	4.91 (4.01–5.81)	3.99 (3.84–4.15)	5.0 (4.5–5.5)	9 (6–12)
R5+X4 plasma, R5+X4 CSF	5	40.0	22.0 (5–142)	5.58 (5.37–5.64)	3.40 (3.17–3.70)	6.2 (3.8–8.6)	1 (0–3)

NOTE. ART, antiretroviral therapy; CSF, cerebrospinal fluid; WBC, white blood cell. Values for the "All subjects" group and for the "R5 plasma, R5 CSF" subgroup are medians (interquartile ranges); values for the other 3 subgroups are medians (ranges). Normal values are as follows: CSF WBC count, <6 cells/mm³; CSF protein level, ≤51 ng/dL; mean ± SD CSF albumin ratio (albumin/serum or plasma albumin × 10⁻³), 4.6 ± 1.3 [38].

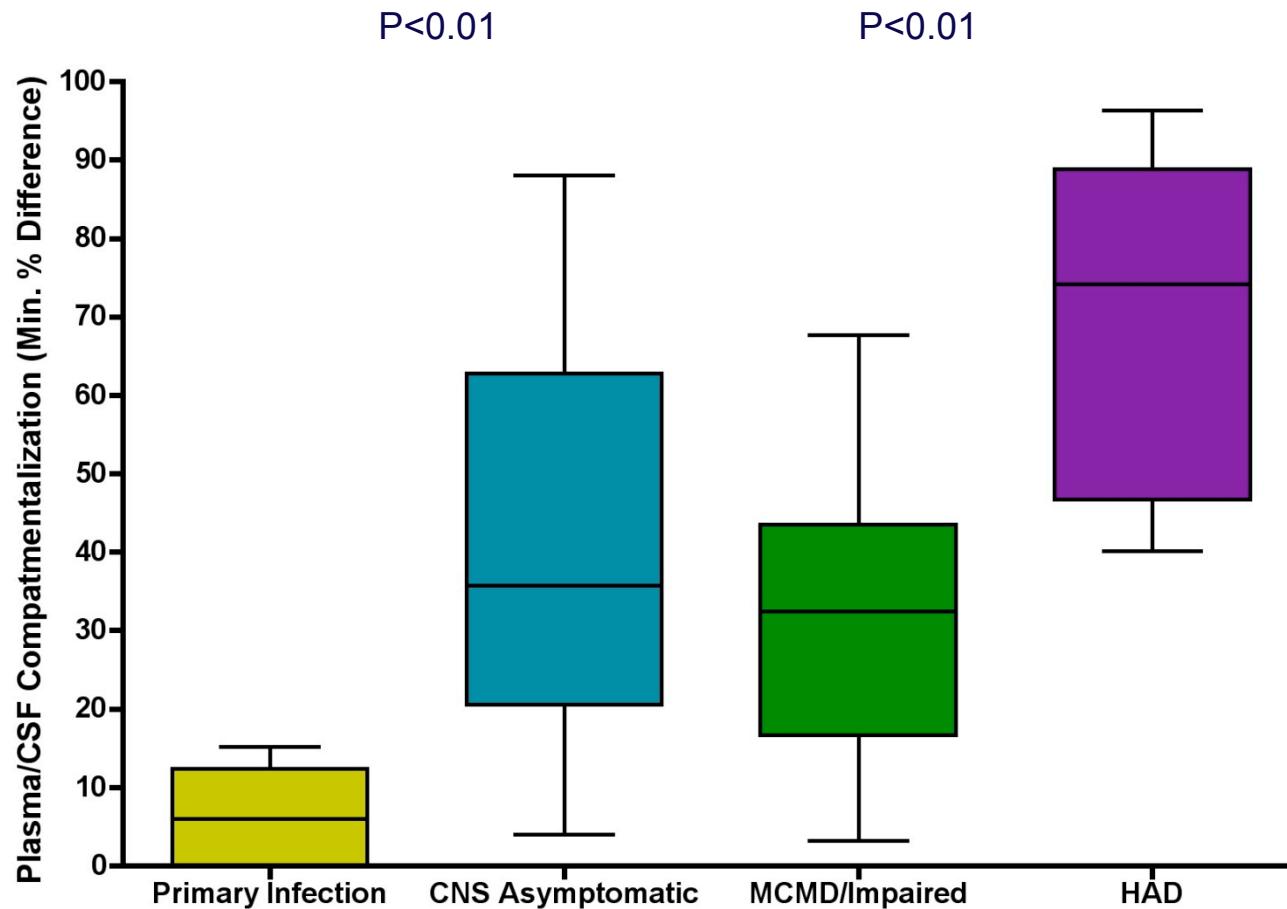
In the 2 compartments discordance in both directions:
in 2 subjects R5 strain in plasma and R5+X4 in CSF.

This latter finding is striking given the overall frequency of the R5 phenotype in CSF and the concept that "autonomous" infection in the CSF is more likely sustained in macrophages rather than lymphocytes.

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Compartmentalization Between Plasma and CSF is Associated with Neurological Disease



*CSF viral population switch from a purely blood, or mixed blood and CNS source, to primarily a local CNS source in HAD subjects

CPE score (CNS penetration-effectiveness score)

- I farmaci antiretrovirali si differenziano in termini di penetrazione e di efficacia nel SNC, in base alle diverse caratteristiche chimico-fisiche e farmacocinetiche e alla loro capacità di interferire con la replicazione virale nei macrofagi.
- Lo score viene calcolato in base alla potenziale penetrazione-efficacia dei farmaci nel SNC.
- Il CPE score di un trattamento sarà ottenuto sommando i punteggi attribuiti ai singoli farmaci utilizzati.

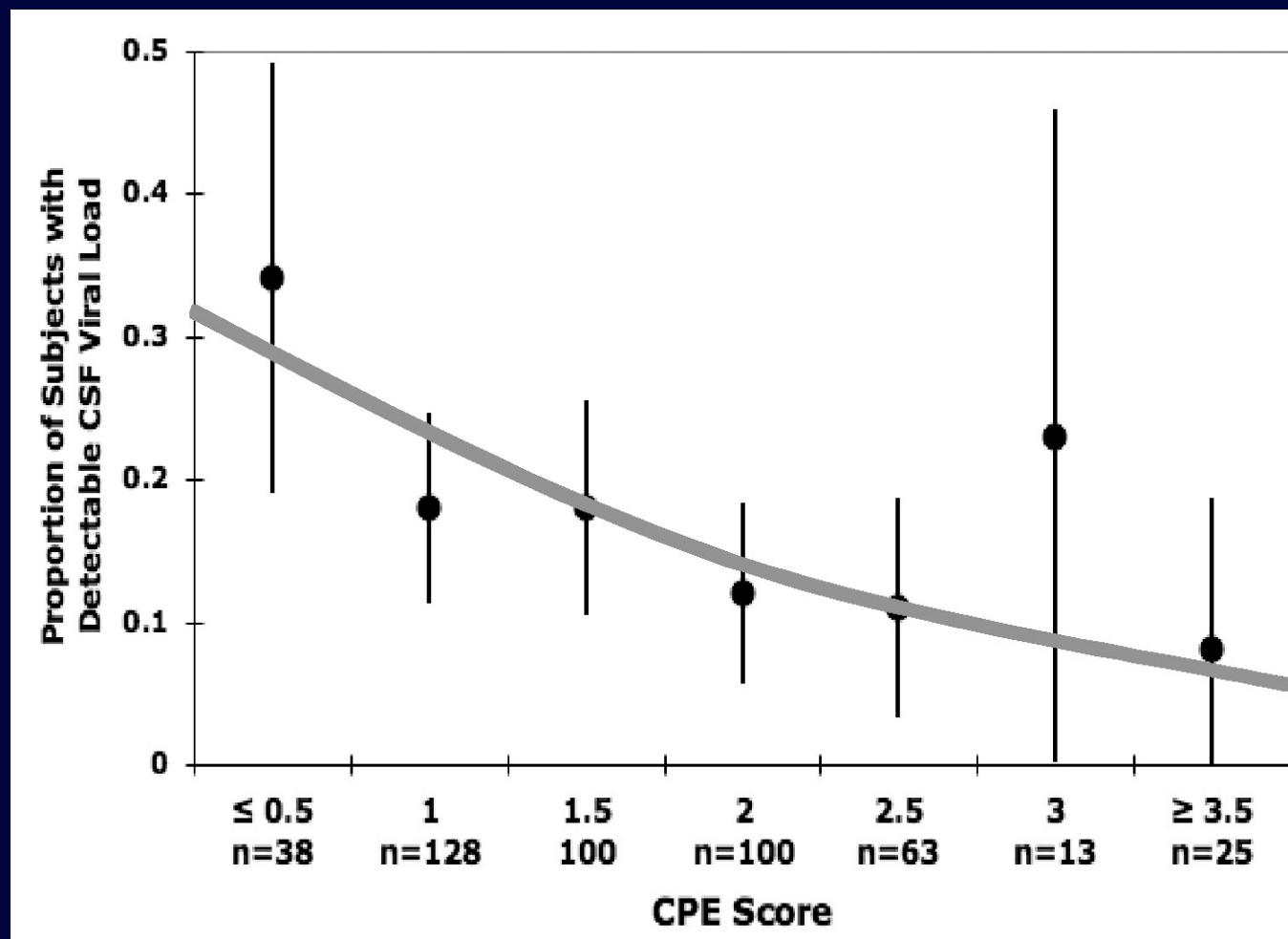
<i>CPE Score</i>	<i>NRTIs</i>	<i>NNRTIs</i>	<i>PIs</i>	<i>Fusion Inhibitors</i>	<i>CCR5 Antagonist</i>	<i>Integrase Inhibitor</i>
4	Zidovudine	Nevirapine	Indinavir/ritonavir			
3	Abacavir Emtricitabine	Delavirdine Efavirenz	Darunavir/ritonavir Fosamprenavir/ritonavir Indinavir Lopinavir/ritonavir		Maraviroc	Raltegravir
2	Didanosine Lamivudine Stavudine	Etravirine	Atazanavir Atazanavir/ritonavir Fosamprenavir			
1	Tenofovir Zalcitabine		Nelfinavir Ritonavir Saquinavir Saquinavir/ritonavir Tipranavir/ritonavir	Enfuvirtide		

CPE score **(CNS penetration-effectiveness score)**

Alti livelli di *CPE score* sono risultati associati ad una minore rilevazione di HIV-RNA nel liquor e ad un più importante miglioramento neurocognitivo in corso di terapia.

Antiretroviral Effectiveness

Higher CPE Scores and Lower Viral Loads in CSF



Letendre et al, Arch Neurol 2008

CPE score **(CNS penetration-effectiveness score)**

- I punteggi di penetrazione-efficacia sono stati attribuiti ai farmaci mediante analisi preliminari.
- Vi sono altri fattori che influenzano la risposta alla terapia nel SNC (l'entità dell'infezione produttiva nel SNC, la presenza di varianti virali resistenti).
- Questa classificazione rappresenta uno strumento dinamico, soggetto a variazioni continue per le nuove conoscenze e lo sviluppo di nuove molecole.

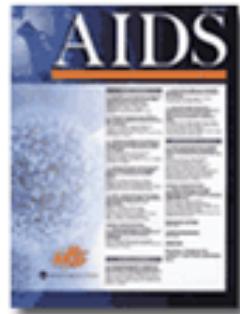
CPE score (CNS penetration-effectiveness score)

Appare comunque ragionevole che una terapia che contenga farmaci ad elevata penetrazione ed efficacia nel SNC sia indicata per il trattamento di pazienti con alterazioni neurocognitive HIV-mediate.

Interpretazione HIV RNA nel liquor

- Although CSF is an integral component of the CNS, in the context of HIV-1 infection it more accurately serves as an intermediate compartment between the brain and the periphery.
- CSF viral loads often predict the neurological outcome of HIV-1 infection.

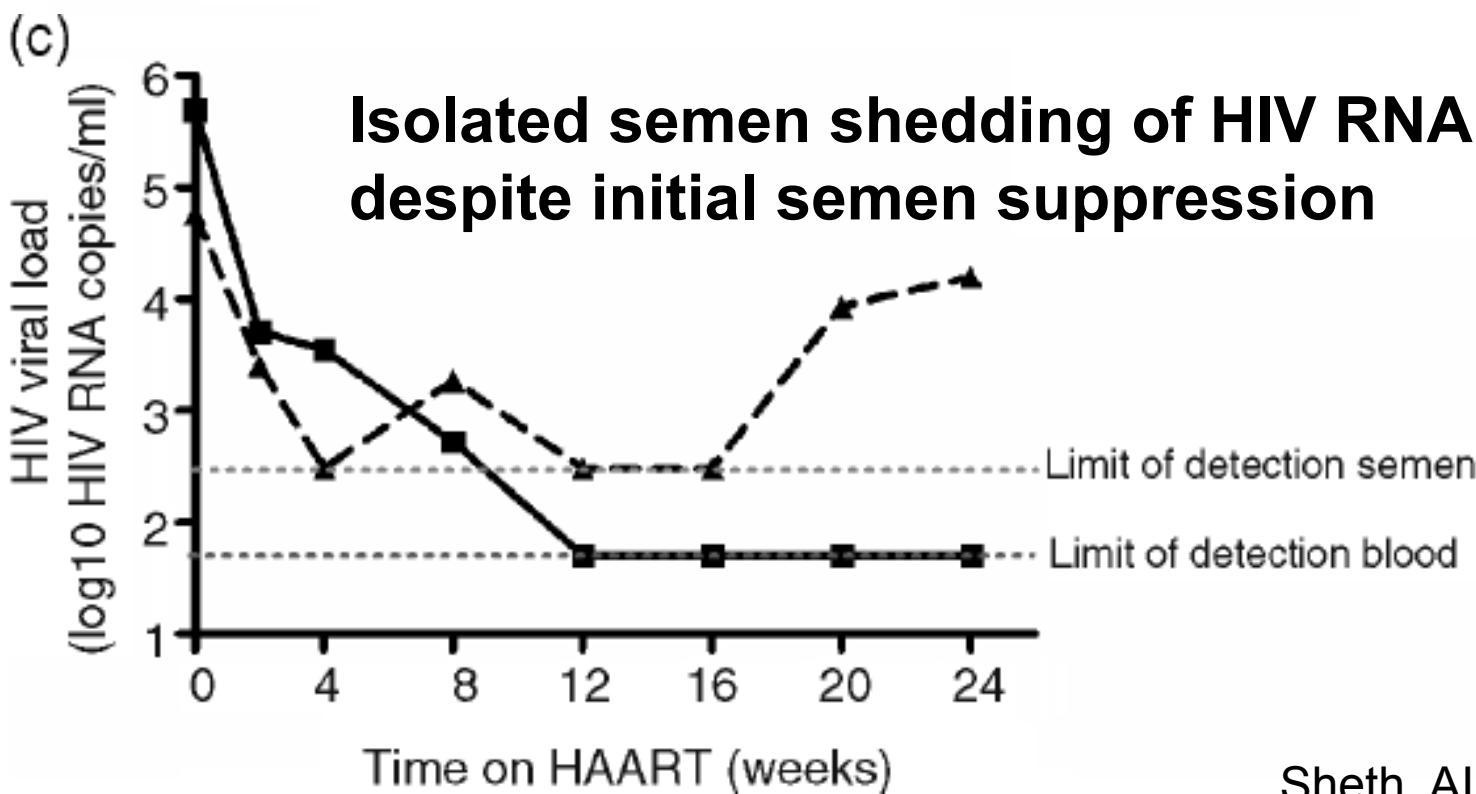
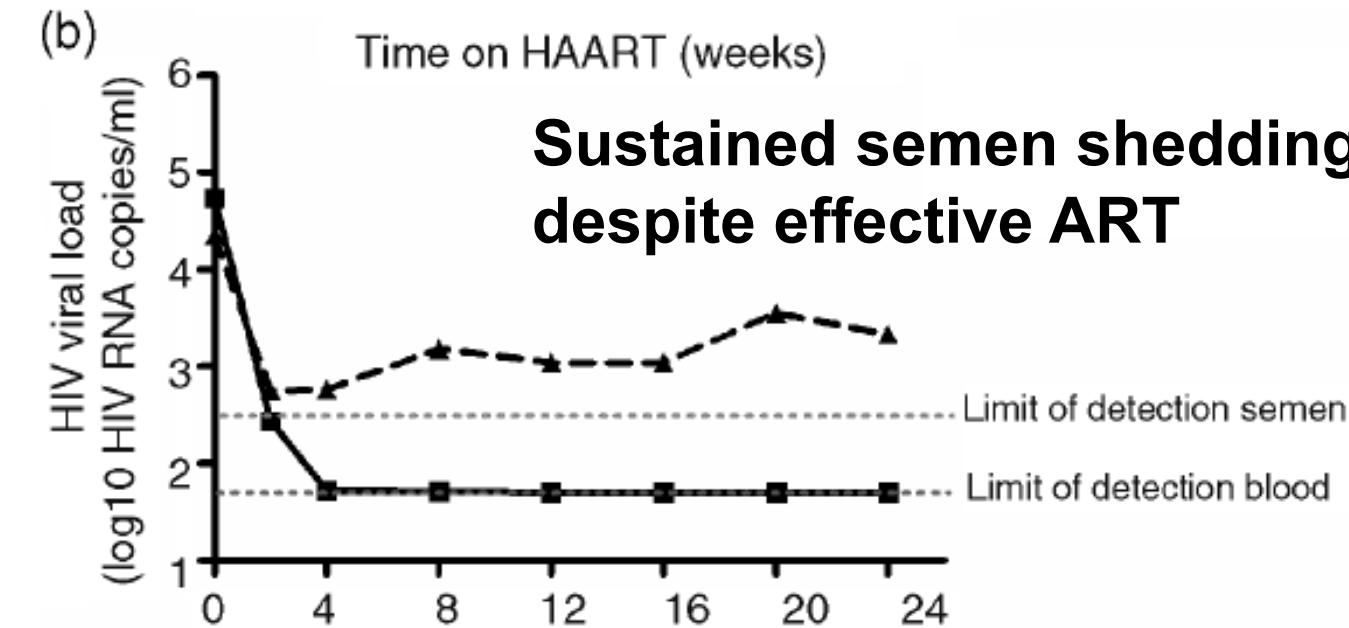
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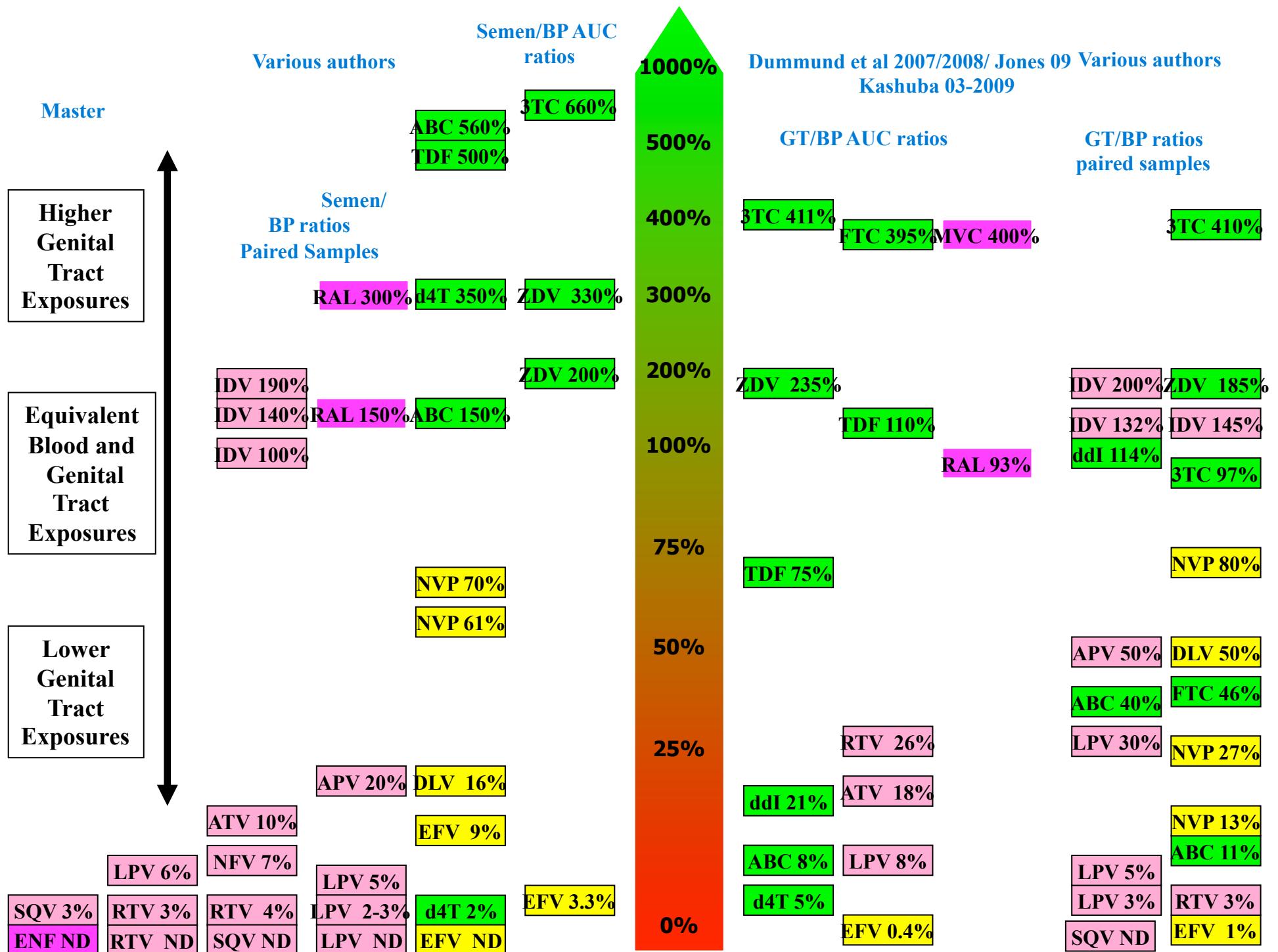


Persistent HIV RNA shedding in semen despite effective antiretroviral therapy

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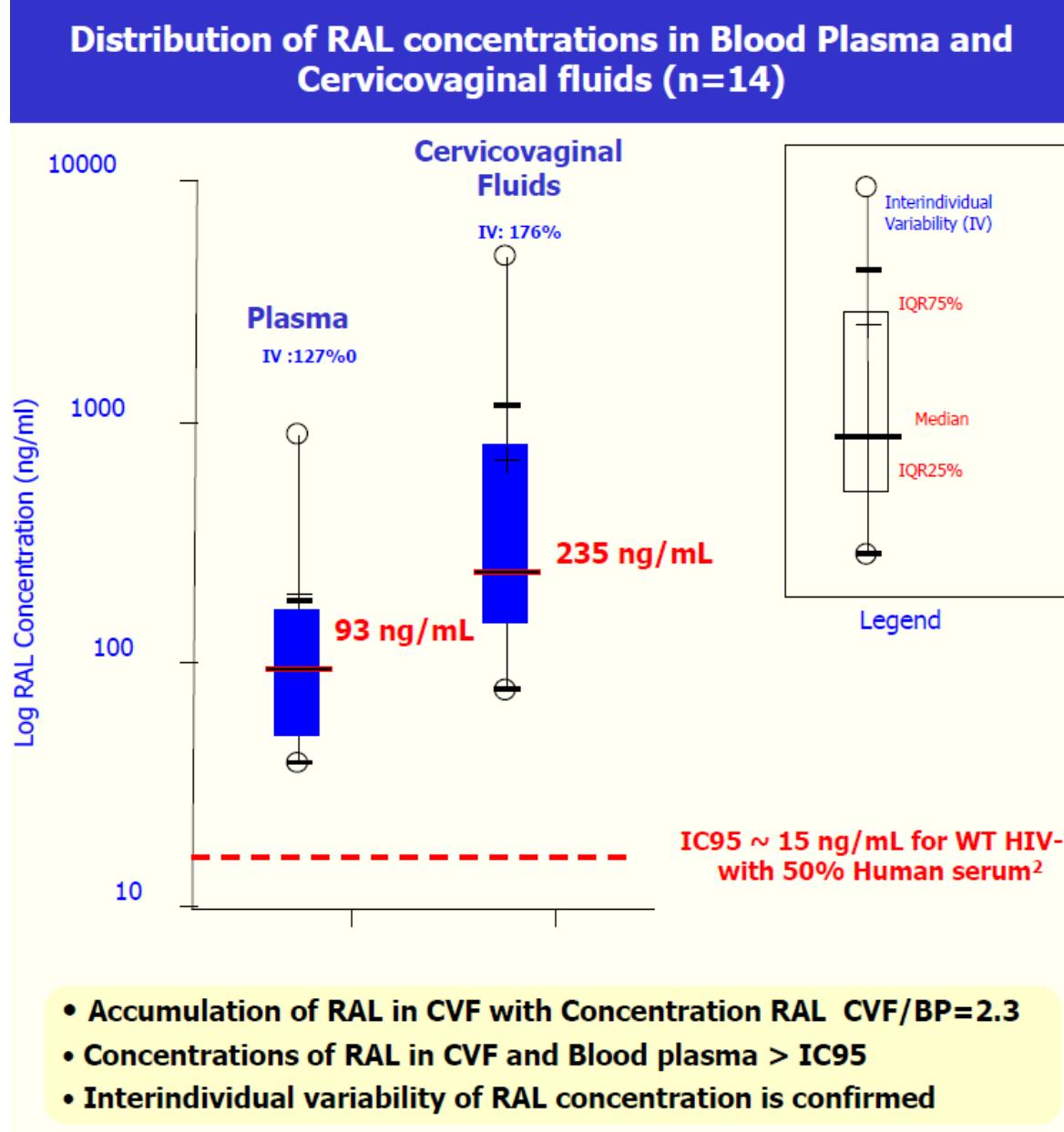
Effective antiretroviral therapy (ART) may reduce HIV sexual transmission by lowering genital HIV levels. A prospective study of men starting ART ($n = 25$) demonstrated rapid, substantial reductions in semen HIV RNA. However, despite an undetectable blood viral load, isolated semen HIV shedding was detected at more than one visit in 12 of 25 (48%) participants, with semen HIV RNA levels exceeding 5000 copies/ml in four of 25 (16%). Isolates were drug-sensitive, and this phenomenon was not associated with semen drug levels or regimen.





Raltegravir Concentrations in the Cervico-Vaginal Compartment in HIV-1 infected Women treated with Raltegravir: DIVA 01 study

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La compartmentalizzazione di HIV nell'Occhio





Intraocular and plasma HIV-1 RNA loads and HIV uveitis

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Objective: The objective of this study was to analyze human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) dynamics across the blood-retinal barrier and to determine whether the high levels of HIV in the eye are associated with any ocular disorders in HIV-infected patients.

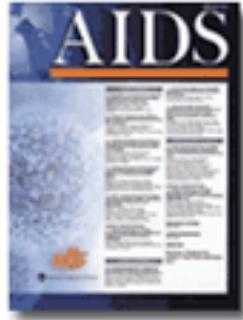
Design: This study included a prospective case series of 40 HIV-positive patients with uveitis.

Intervention: Clinical and laboratory examinations included plasma and intraocular HIV-1 RNA loads as well as the clinical manifestations of uveitis.

Results: Intraocular HIV-1 RNA was detected in 32% (13/40) of HIV-positive patients with uveitis. Intraocular HIV-1 RNA loads were associated with high HIV-1 RNA plasma loads ($P < 0.001$) and not being on HAART therapy ($P = 0.005$). In addition, detectable intraocular HIV-1 RNA levels were higher in patients with the absence of retinal lesions ($P = 0.008$). In three patients, the HIV load in the eye largely exceeded that of plasma. These three patients had all bilateral anterior uveitis and/or vitritis without retinal lesions and exhibited no evidence of other intraocular infectious agents causing uveitis than HIV itself.

Conclusion: The eye can form a sanctuary where HIV might replicate and cause an inflammatory reaction.

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Patient number	Age (years)	Sex	HAART >2 months	HIV-1 RNA plasma load (copies/ml)	HIV-1 RNA ocular load (copies/ml)	Location
1	40	Female	No	169 000	89 800 000	Anterior chamber
2	40	Male	No	92 400	9 370 000	Anterior chamber, vitreous
3	50	Male	Yes ^b	540 000	2 460 000	Anterior chamber, vitreous
4	35	Male	No	512	2200	Anterior chamber, vitreous, retina

Conclusione

Per una corretta impostazione ed un valido monitoraggio della terapia antiretrovirale diventa quindi sempre più frequente la necessità di valutare quantitativamente e qualitativamente il virus presente in diversi organi ed apparati.

