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# Antiretroviral Therapy Guidelines

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# WHEN TO START

- October 2011 DHHS Guidelines
- July 2010 IAS-USA Guidelines
  - Supporting Evidence Base

# Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-1-Infected Adults and Adolescents

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Developed by the HHS Panel on Antiretroviral Guidelines for Adults and Adolescents – A Working Group of the Office of AIDS Research Advisory Council (OARAC)

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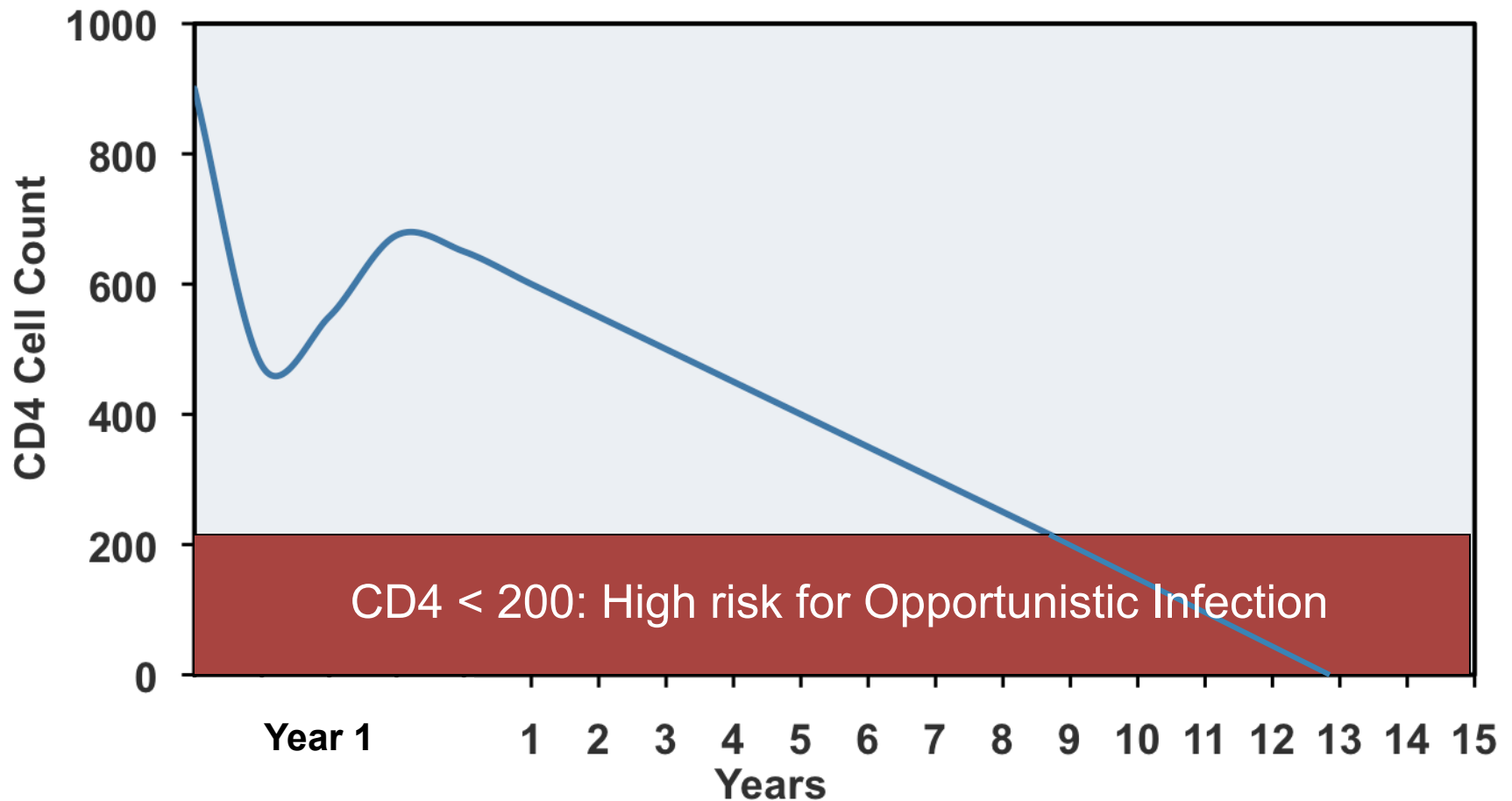
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It is emphasized that concepts relevant to HIV management evolve rapidly. The Panel has a mechanism to update recommendations on a regular basis, and the most recent information is available on the AIDSinfo Web site (<http://aidsinfo.nih.gov>).



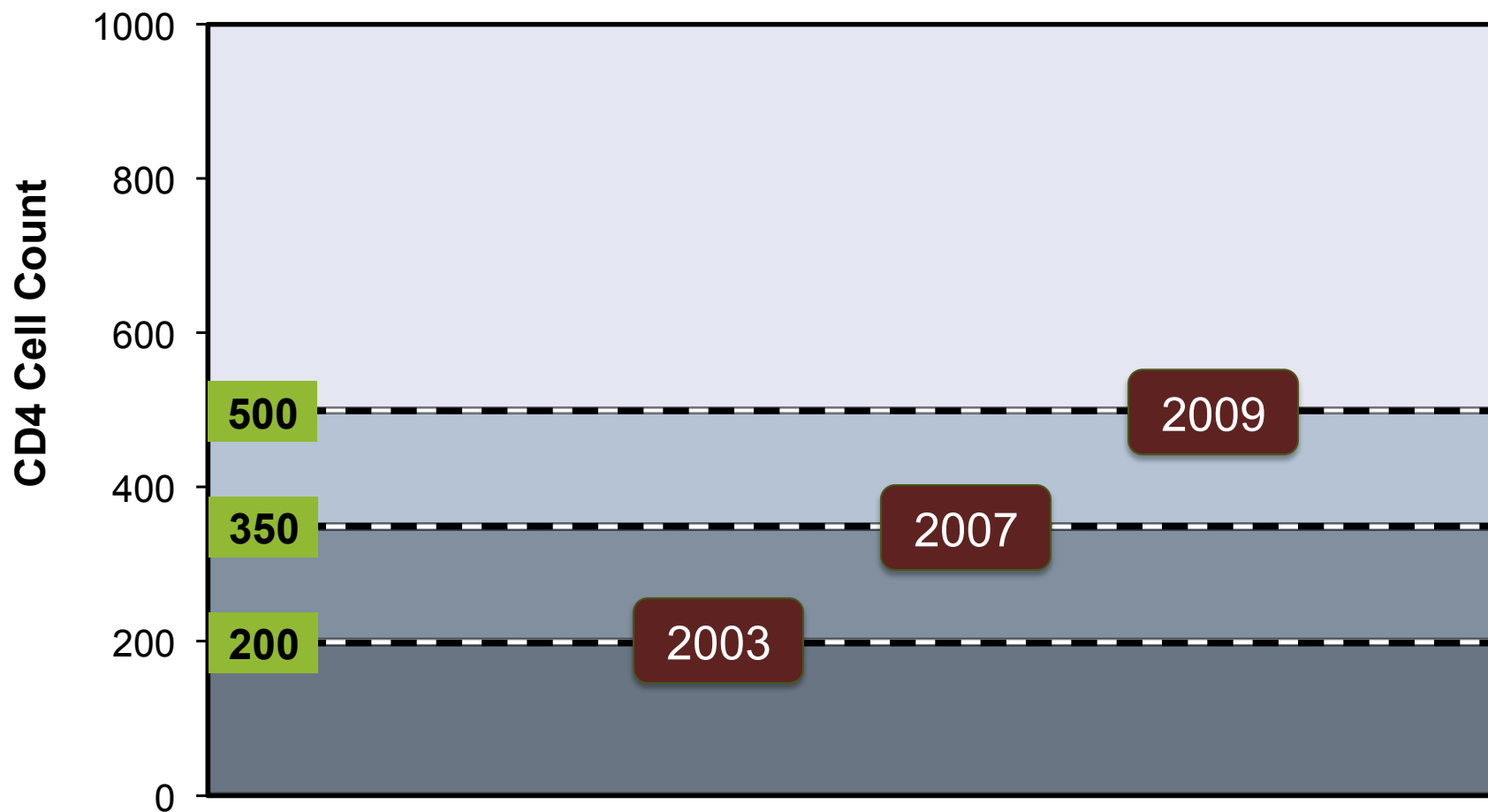
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# Natural History of Untreated HIV Infection



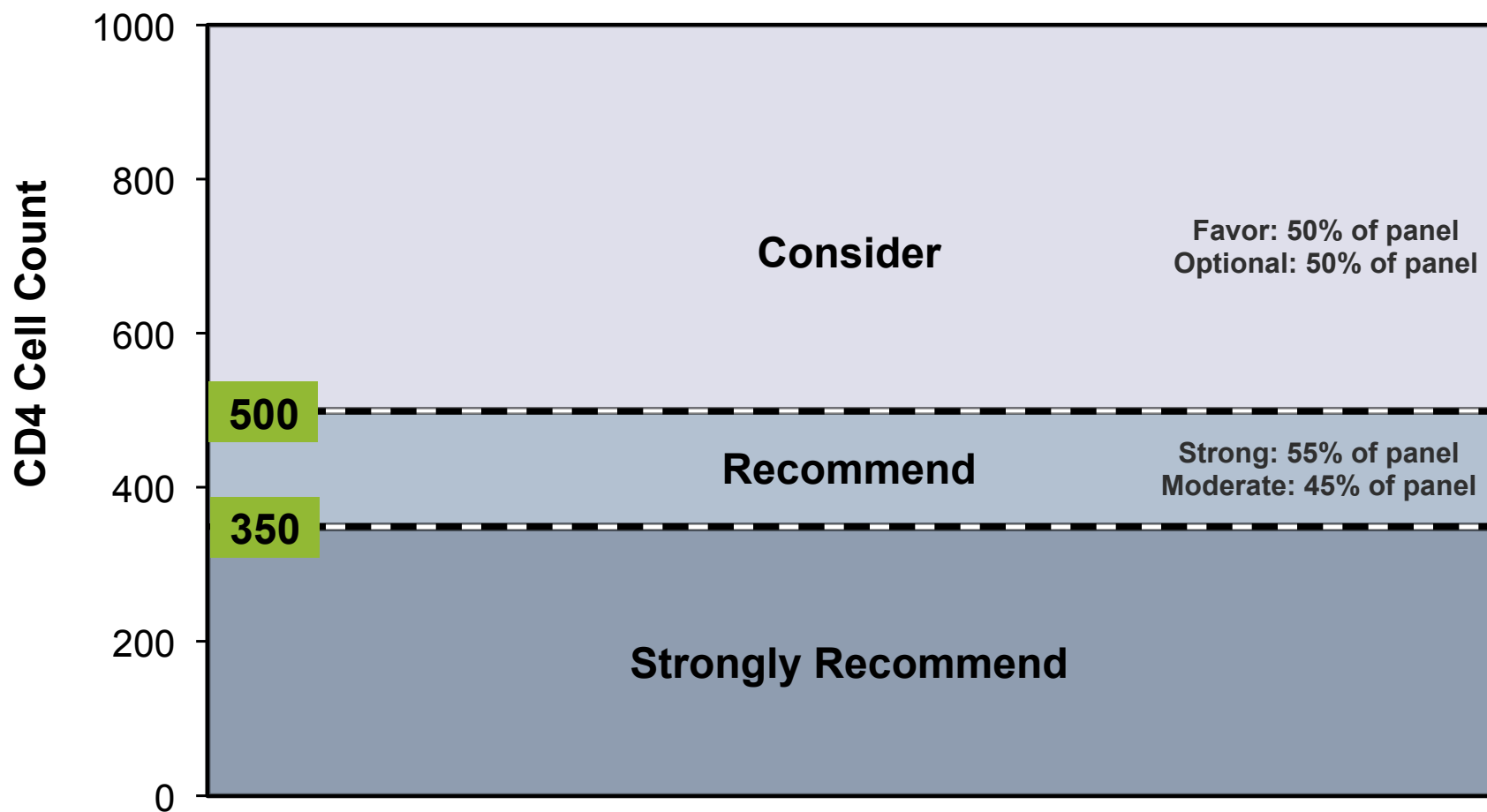
# Initiating Antiretroviral Therapy in Treatment-Naïve Patients

## Change in CD4 Threshold in DHHS Guidelines



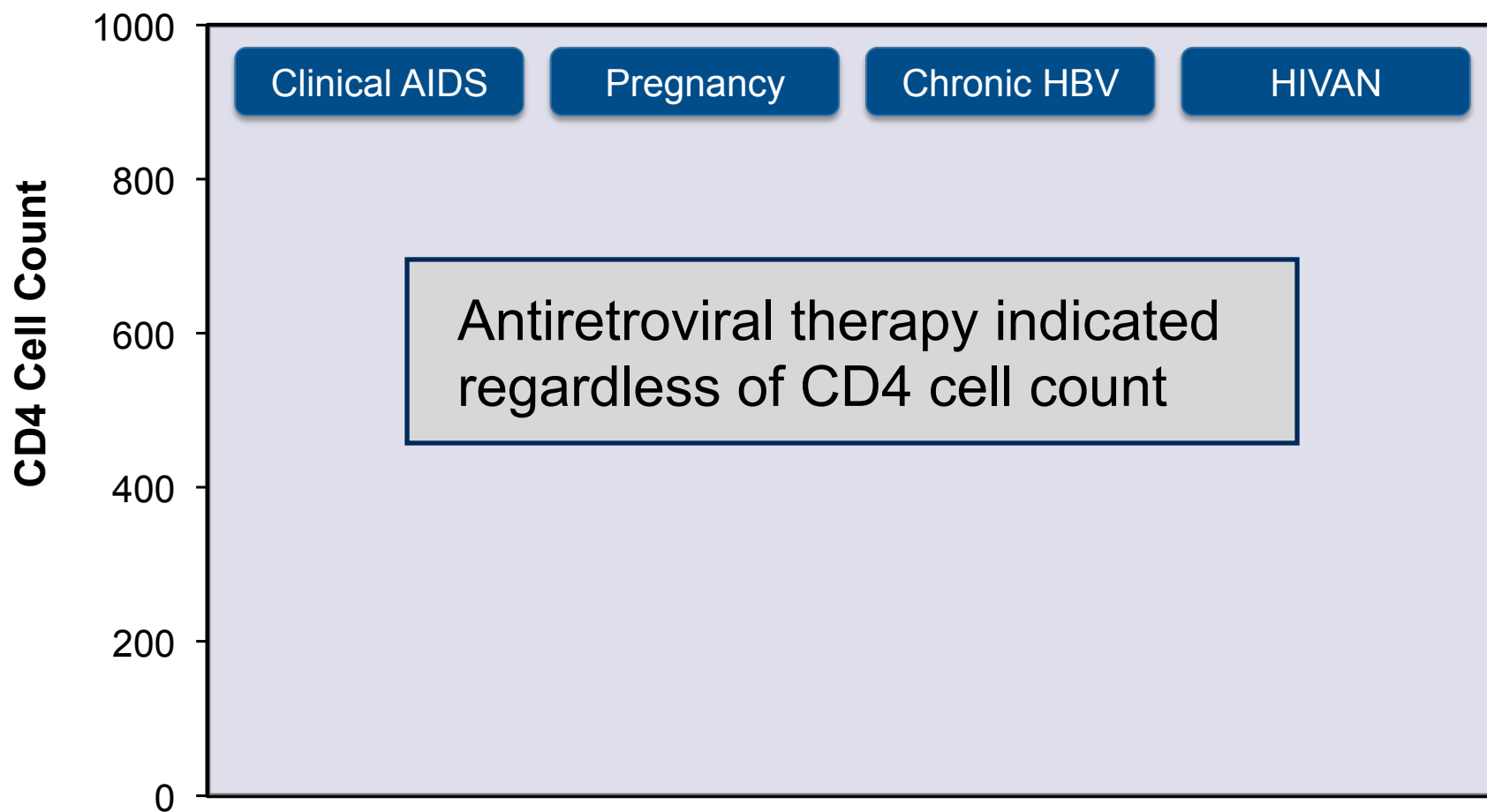
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## Initiating Therapy in Treatment-Naïve Patients

CD4 Cell Count	Recommendation for Antiretroviral Therapy
<350 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	<b>Strongly Recommend</b> Initiating Therapy ( <b>AI</b> )
350-500 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	<b>Recommend</b> Initiating Therapy ( <b>A/B-II</b> ): -55% of panel voted for strong recommendation ( <b>A</b> ) -45% of panel voted for moderate recommendation ( <b>B</b> )
>500 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	<b>Consider</b> Initiating Therapy ( <b>B/C-III</b> ): -50% of panel favor starting antiretroviral therapy ( <b>B</b> ) -50% of panel view treatment is optional ( <b>C</b> )
Initiating Antiretroviral Therapy Regardless of CD4 Cell Count	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History of AIDS-defining illness (<b>AI</b>)</li> <li>• Pregnancy (<b>AI</b>)</li> <li>• Hepatitis B virus (HBV) co-infection when treatment of HBV is indicated (<b>AIII</b>)</li> <li>• HIV associated nephropathy (<b>AII</b>)</li> </ul>	



# Antiretroviral Treatment of Adult HIV Infection

## 2010 Recommendations of the International AIDS Society–USA Panel

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**S**UCCESSFUL ANTIRETROVIRAL therapy (ART) is associated with dramatic decreases in AIDS-defining conditions and their associated mortality. Expansion of treatment options and evolving knowledge require revision of guidelines for the initiation and long-term management of ART in adults with HIV infection.

Since the 2008 International AIDS Society–USA ART guidelines,<sup>1</sup> new data have emerged regarding timing of therapy, optimal regimen choices, and monitoring. There are also issues of special relevance to circumstances such as pregnancy, hepatitis virus coinfections, kidney disease, cardiovascular disease, and primary HIV infection.

 CME available online at [www.jamaarchivescme.com](http://www.jamaarchivescme.com) and questions on p 357.

**Context** Recent data regarding the consequences of untreated human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection and the expansion of treatment choices for antiretroviral-naïve and antiretroviral-experienced patients warrant an update of the International AIDS Society–USA guidelines for the use of antiretroviral therapy in adults with HIV infection.

**Objectives** To provide updated recommendations for management of HIV-infected adults, using antiretroviral drugs and laboratory monitoring tools available in the international, developed-world setting. This report provides guidelines for when to initiate antiretroviral therapy, selection of appropriate initial regimens, patient monitoring, when to change therapy, and what regimens to use when changing.

**Data Sources and Study Selection** A panel with expertise in HIV research and clinical care reviewed relevant data published or presented at selected scientific conferences since the last panel report through April 2010. Data were identified through a PubMed search, review of scientific conference abstracts, and requests to antiretroviral drug manufacturers for updated clinical trials and adverse event data.

**Data Extraction and Synthesis** New evidence was reviewed by the panel. Recommendations were drafted by section writing committees and reviewed and edited by the entire panel. The quality and strength of the evidence were rated and recommendations were made by full panel consensus.

**Conclusions** Patient readiness for treatment should be confirmed before initiation of antiretroviral treatment. Therapy is recommended for asymptomatic patients with a CD4 cell count  $\leq 500/\mu\text{L}$ , for all symptomatic patients, and those with specific conditions and comorbidities. Therapy should be considered for asymptomatic patients with CD4 cell count  $> 500/\mu\text{L}$ . Components of the initial and subsequent regimens must be individualized, particularly in the context of concurrent conditions. Patients receiving antiretroviral treatment should be monitored regularly; treatment failure should be detected and managed early, with the goal of therapy, even in heavily pretreated patients, being HIV-1 RNA suppression below commercially available assay quantification limits.

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Analyses of clinical trials and epidemiologic cohorts have shed light on the role of ART in mitigating serious non-AIDS events associated with uncontrolled HIV replication. Newer drugs are better understood in terms of efficacy, toxicity, and potential uses. New data also suggest a role for ART in the prevention of HIV transmission.

### METHODS

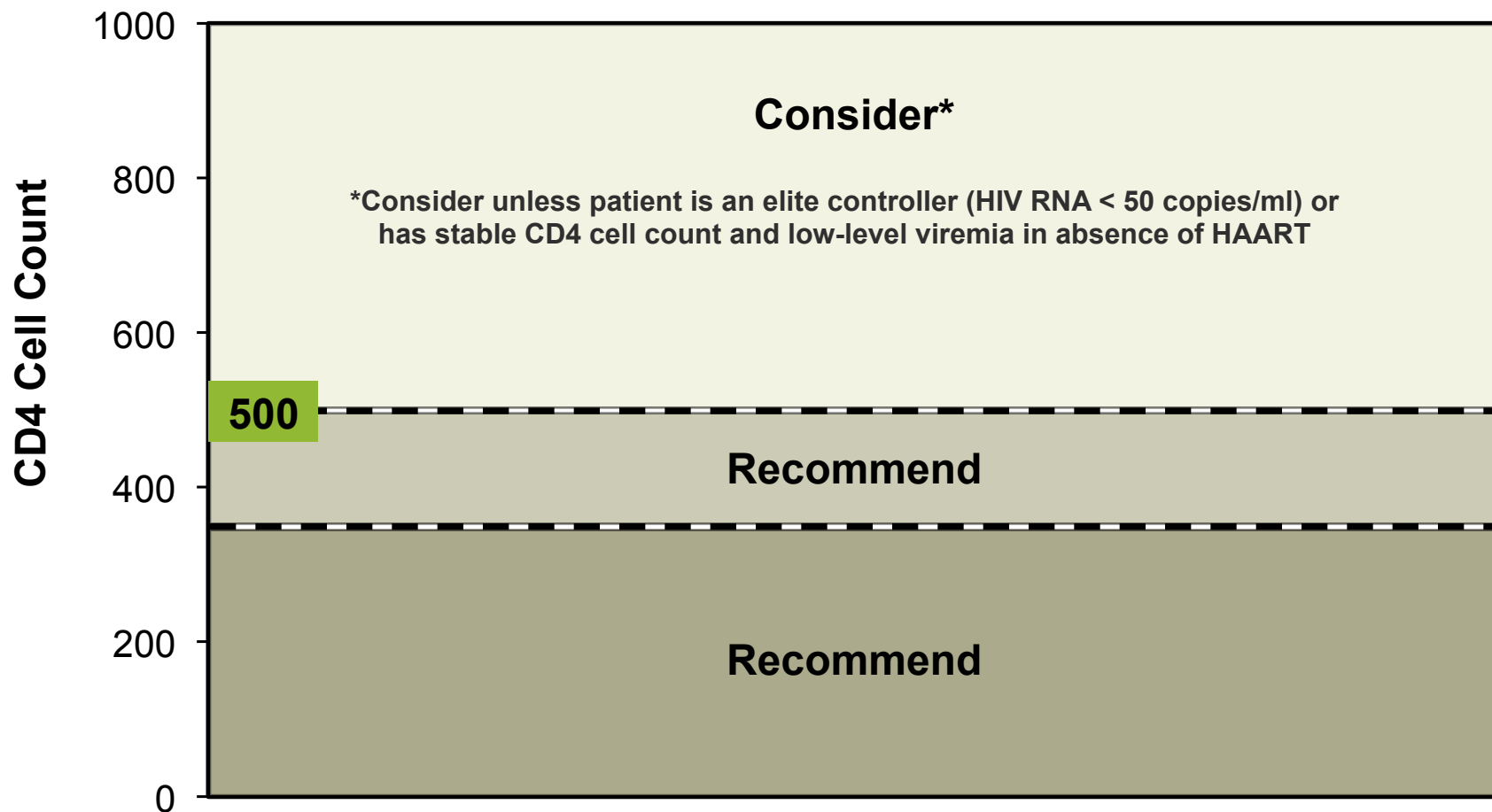
The panel was convened in 1995 to develop evidence-based recommendations for ART for HIV-infected adults in developed-world settings.<sup>2</sup> Members are

appointed by International AIDS Society–USA according to clinical and research expertise. Current panel members do not participate in pharmaceutical marketing or promotional activities (eg, speakers' bureaus, industry satellites) during tenure on the panel. The current panel convened in January 2010 and met weekly in person or by teleconference. Data published or presented in specific scientific meetings since the last report<sup>1</sup>

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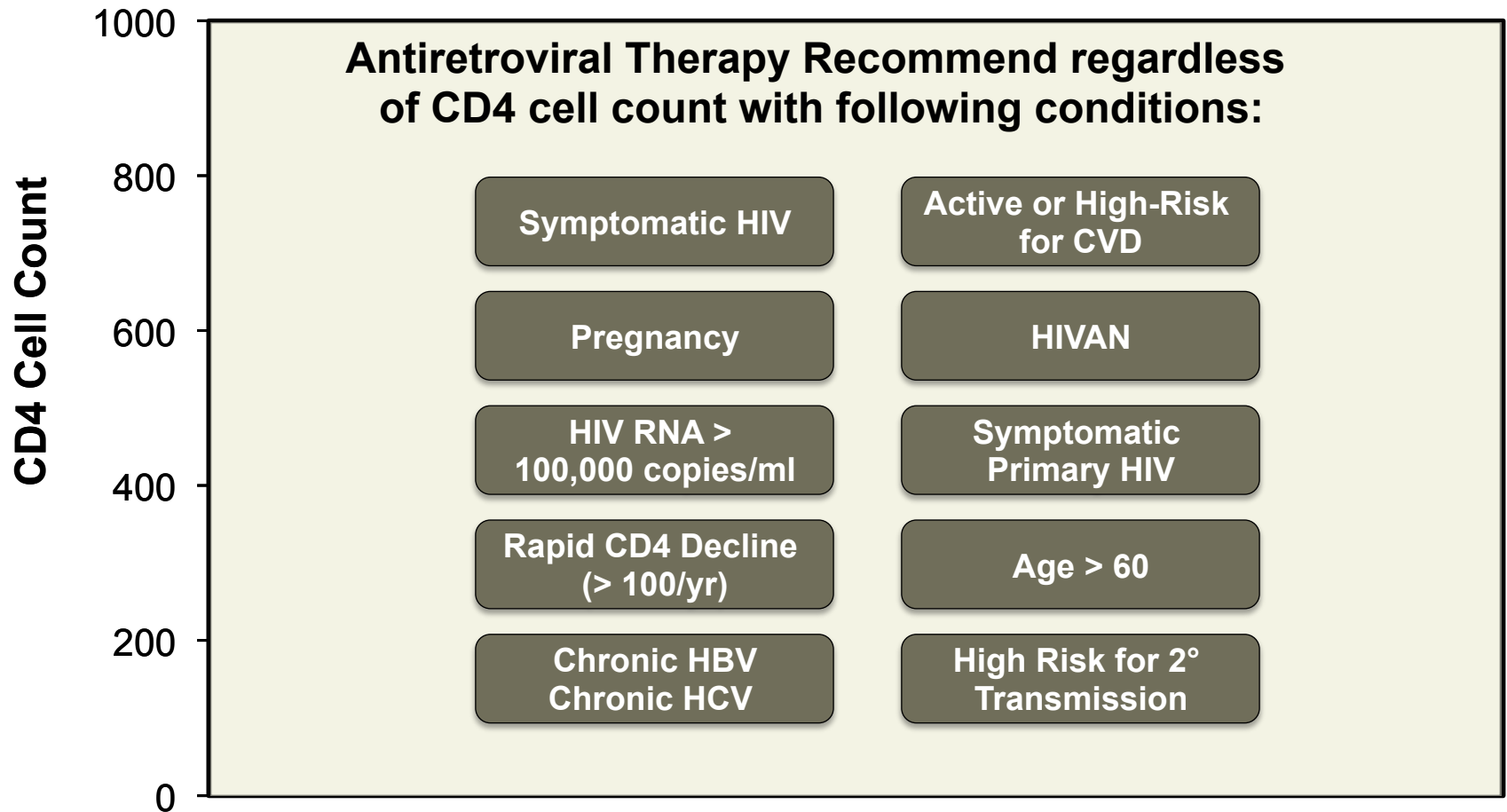
# IAS-USA Antiretroviral Therapy Guidelines: July 2010

## Recommendations for Initiating Therapy in Treatment-Naïve



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## Recommendations for Initiating Therapy in Treatment-Naive

2010 IAS-USA Recommendations: Initiating ARV Therapy in Treatment-Naive HIV-1 Infected Adults*		
Measure	Antiretroviral Therapy Recommendation	Rating
Specific Conditions		
Symptomatic HIV Disease	Antiretroviral Therapy Recommended Regardless of CD4 cell Count	A1a
Pregnant women		A1a
HIV-1 RNA > 100,000 copies/ml		A1a
Rapid decline in CD4 count, > 100/μl per year		A1a
Active HBV or HCV coinfection		B1a, A1a
Active or high risk for cardiovascular disease		B1a
HIV-associated nephropathy		B1a
Symptomatic primary HIV infection		B1a
High risk for secondary HIV transmission		B1a
Asymptomatic		
CD4 cell count < 350/μl	Recommended	A1a
CD4 count 350-500/μl	Recommended	A1a
CD4 count >500/μl	Consider	C11

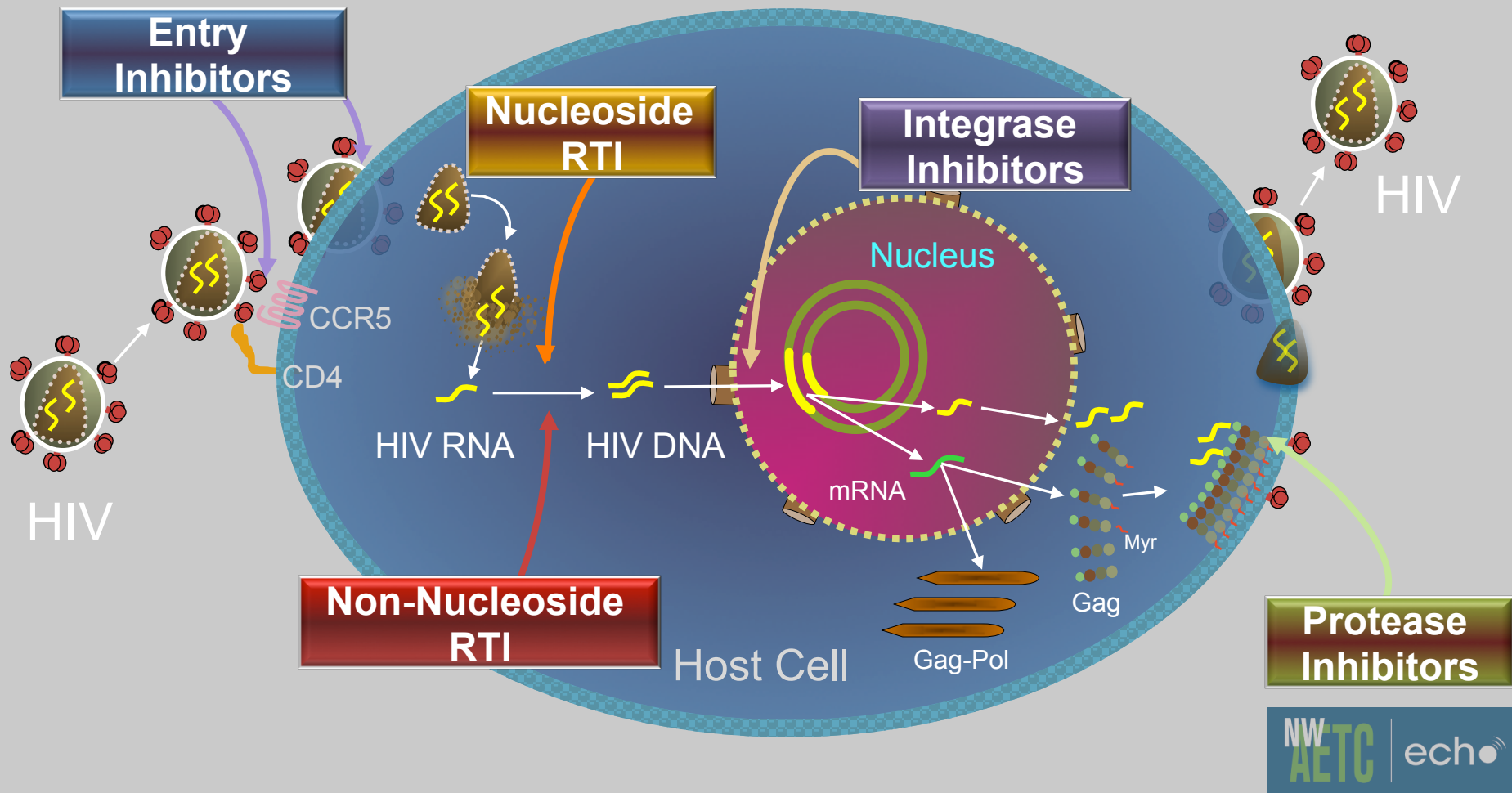
# Mounting Evidence supporting Earlier HAART

Study	Type	Setting	Main Findings
<b>CIPRA HT 001</b>	RCT	Haiti	Deferring ART until CD4<200 associated with higher mortality than starting when CD4 between 200 and 350
<b>SMART substudy</b>	RCT	Europe, Australia	Deferring ART until CD4<250 associated with higher mortality than starting when CD4 between 350 and 250
<b>ART-CC</b>	Obs	Europe, North America	Significant increase in risk of AIDS and death when therapy was delayed until patients CD4+ counts fell below 350 cells/mm <sup>3</sup> compared to earlier treatment.
<b>NA-ACCORD</b>	Obs	North America	69% lower mortality in those who initiated in 350-500 range than those who deferred; 94% lower mortality in those who initiated at CD4 > 500 than in those who deferred
<b>HPTN 052</b>	RCT	Africa, US, Asia, S. America	96% decrease in transmission of HIV in serodiscordant couples when one partner on ART; 41% decrease in AIDS-related events (extra-pulmonary TB) for those on ART

# WHAT TO START

- Regimens for ART Naïve Patients
- New, Alternative, and Acceptable Agents



# Anti-retroviral drug targets






# Anti-retroviral Therapy in 2012


## Entry Inhibitors

<b>Enfuvirtide (ENV)</b> Fuzeon®	 90 mg/ml	Administered dose: 90 mg/ml, subcutaneous (SQ) 2 times a day (106 mg vial diluted with 1.1 mL sterile water) • Store at controlled room temperature
<b>Maraviroc (MVC)</b> Selzentry®	 150 mg 300 mg	1 x 300 mg tablet 2 times a day (With NRTIs, Ritonavir/lopinavir, nevirapine, and weak CYP3A4 inhibitors or CYP3A4 inducers) 1 x 150 mg tablet 2 times a day (When given with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors with or without CYP3A4 inducers) 2 x 300 mg tablet 2 times a day (With CYP3A4 inducers including efavirenz)





## Combination NRTIs + NNRTI

<b>Tenofovir + Emtricitabine + Efavirenz</b> Atripla®	 TDF 300 mg/FTC 200 mg/EFV 600 mg	1 tablet once daily at bedtime • Empty stomach recommended
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## Integrase Inhibitors

<b>Raltegravir (RAL)</b> Isentress®	 400 mg	1 tablet 2 times a day • May be taken with or without food
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## Combination NRTIs

<b>Abacavir + Lamivudine</b> Epizcom®	 ABC 600 mg/3TC 300 mg	1 tablet once daily • May be taken with or without food
<b>Abacavir + Lamivudine + Zidovudine</b> Trizivir®	 ABC 300 mg/3TC 150 mg/AZT 300 mg	1 tablet 2 times a day • May be taken with or without food
<b>Zidovudine + Lamivudine</b> Combivir®	 AZT 300 mg/3TC 150 mg	1 tablet 2 times a day • May be taken with or without food
<b>Tenofovir + Emtricitabine</b> Truvada®	 TDF 300 mg/FTC 200 mg	1 tablet once daily • May be taken with or without food

## Nucleos(tide) Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTI)

<b>Abacavir (ABC)</b> Ziagen®	 300 mg	1 x 300 mg tablet 2 times a day 2 x 300 mg tablets once daily • May be taken with or without food	Hypersensitivity reaction symptoms may include: fever, rash, nausea, vomiting, malaise or fatigue, respiratory difficulties
<b>Didanosine (ddI)</b> Videx®	 250 mg 400 mg	1 x 400 mg capsule once daily • Reduce dose for weight < 65 Kg • Take on an empty stomach Note: When combined with tenofovir, reduce didanosine to 250 mg once daily; may be taken with food.	Peripheral neuropathy, pancreatitis, nausea, diarrhea
<b>Emtricitabine (FTC)</b> Emtriva®	 200 mg	1 x 200 mg capsule once daily • May be taken with or without food	Headaches, fatigue, nausea
<b>Lamivudine (3TC)</b> Epivir®	 150 mg 300 mg	1 x 150 mg tablet 2 times a day 1 x 300 mg tablet once daily • May be taken with or without food	Headaches, fatigue, nausea
<b>Stavudine (d4T)</b> Zerit®	 30 mg 40 mg	1 x 40 mg capsule 2 times a day • Reduce dose for weight < 65 Kg 1 x 30 mg capsule 2 times a day • May be taken with or without food	Peripheral neuropathy, altered liver function
<b>Tenofovir DF (TDF)</b> Viread®	 300 mg	1 x 300 mg tablet once daily • May be taken with or without food	Renal insufficiency (rare), nausea, upset stomach
<b>Zidovudine (ZDV, AZT)</b> Retrovir®	 100 mg 300 mg	1 x 300 mg tablet 2 times a day • May be taken with or without food	Anemia, neutropenia, headaches, nausea, body aches, insomnia










## Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NNRTI)

<b>Delavirdine (DLV)</b> Rescriptor®	 200 mg	2 x 200 mg tablets 3 times a day • May be taken with or without food	Rash, headache, altered liver function
<b>Efavirenz (EFV)</b> Sustiva®	 200 mg 600 mg	1 x 600 mg tablet once daily at bedtime 3 x 200 mg capsules once daily at bedtime • Empty stomach recommended	Rash, altered liver function, dizziness, insomnia, impaired concentration, drowsiness
<b>Etravirine (ETR)</b> Intellekt®	 100 mg	2 x 100 mg tablet 2 times a day • Take with food	Nausea, headache, rash, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, hypersensitivity reaction, erythema
<b>Nevirapine (NVP)</b> Viramune®	 200 mg	1 x 200 mg tablet 2 times a day (start with 250 mg tablet once daily x 14 days) • May be taken with or without food	Rash, headache, altered liver function

New NNRTI: **Rilpivirine**  
Co-formulated with  
Emtricitabine-Tenofovir as  
**Complera**



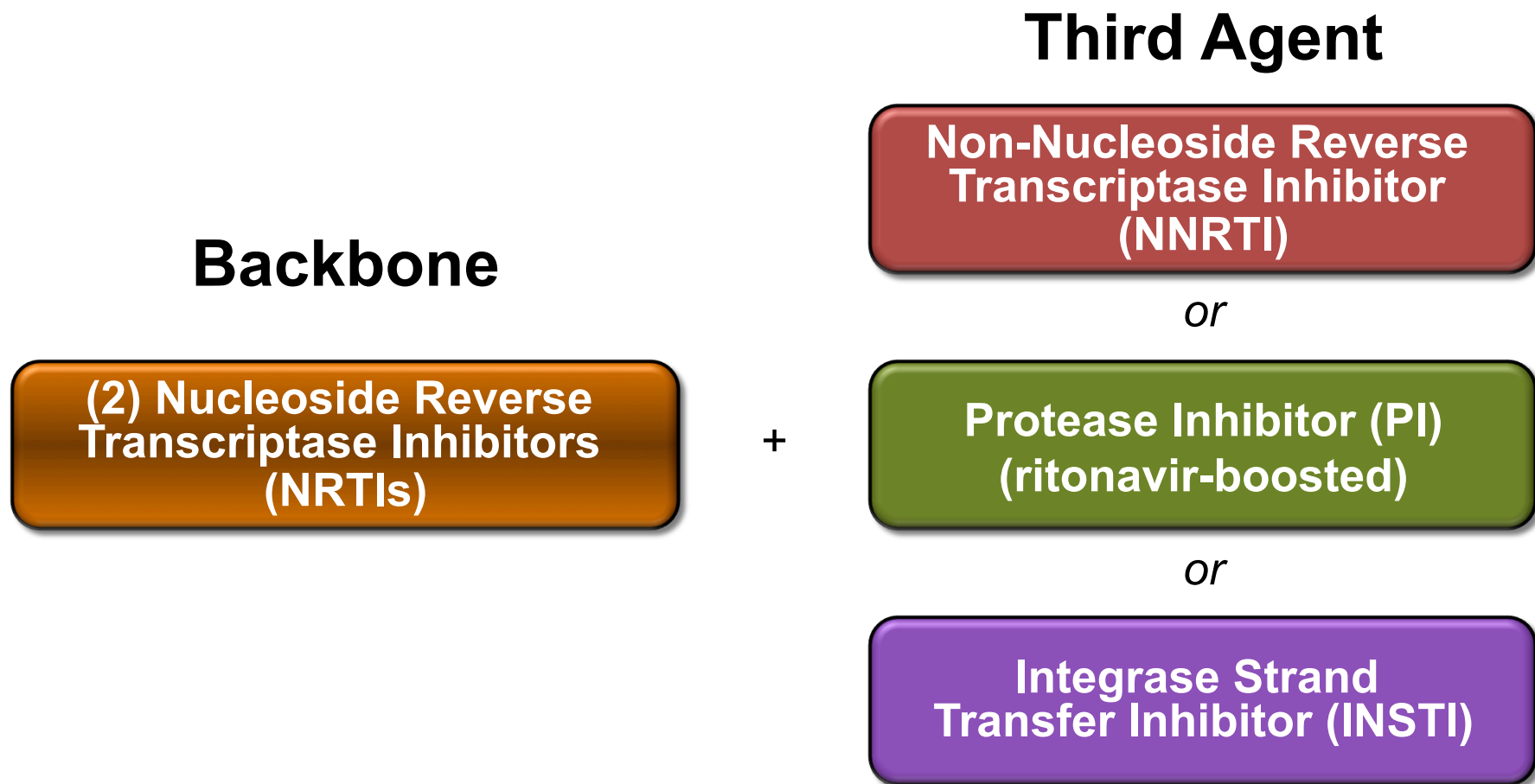
## Protease Inhibitors (PI)

<b>Atazanavir (ATV)</b> Reyataz®	 150 mg 200 mg 300 mg	2 x 300 mg capsules once daily 1 x 300 mg capsule with ritonavir 100 mg capsule once daily Note: Use ritonavir boosted dose when combined with efavirenz, nevirapine, or tenofovir • Take with <u>light meal</u> • Consult Reyataz prescribing information for use with antacids, H2-blockers and proton pump inhibitors.
<b>Darunavir (DRV)</b> Prezista®	 400 mg 600 mg	Always use with ritonavir 1 x 600 mg tablet 2 times a day with ritonavir 1 x 100 mg capsule 2 times a day 2 x 400 mg tablet once a day with ritonavir 1 x 100 mg capsule once a day • Take <u>with food</u>
<b>Fosamprenavir (FPV)</b> Lexiva®	 700 mg	PI-naïve patients: 2 x 700 mg tablets 2 times a day 2 x 700 mg tablets once daily with 1 or 2 x 100 mg ritonavir capsules once daily Note: Use ritonavir boosted dose when combined with efavirenz or nevirapine, use ritonavir 300 mg once daily when combined with NNRTIs. 1 x 700 mg tablet 2 times a day with ritonavir 1 x 100 mg capsule 2 times a day PI-experienced patients: 1 x 700 mg tablet 2 times a day with 1 x 100 mg ritonavir capsule 2 times a day • May be taken with or without food
<b>Indinavir (IDV)</b> Crixivan®	 400 mg	2 x 400 mg capsules 2 times a day with ritonavir 100-200 mg capsules 2 times a day • Take <u>with food</u> • Drink at least 1.5 liters of fluid per day
<b>Lopinavir/Ritonavir (LPV/r)</b> Kaletra®	 LPV 200 mg/RTV 50 mg	PI-naïve patients: 2 tablets 2 times a day 4 tablets once daily PI-experienced patients: 2 tablets 2 times a day Once daily not recommended Note: Use 3 tablets 2 times a day when used with nevirapine or efavirenz
<b>Nelfinavir (NFV)</b> Viracept®	 250 mg 625 mg	2 x 625 mg tablets 2 times a day 5 x 250 mg tablets 2 times a day 3 x 250 mg tablets 3 times a day • Always take <u>with food</u>
<b>Ritonavir (RTV)</b> Norvir®	 100 mg	Ritonavir is primarily used in low doses to boost drug levels of other protease inhibitors • Keep refrigerated
<b>Saquinavir (SQV)</b> Invirase®	 200 mg 500 mg	Always take at same time with ritonavir 2 x 500 mg tablets 2 times a day with ritonavir 100 mg capsule 2 times a day 5 x 200 mg capsules 2 times a day with ritonavir 100 mg capsule 2 times a day • Always take <u>with food</u>
<b>Tipranavir (TPV)</b> Aptivus®	 250 mg	Always use with ritonavir PI-experienced patients: 2 x 250 mg capsules 2 times a day with ritonavir 2 x 100 mg capsules 2 times a day • Take <u>with food</u>



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## Preferred Regimens for ARV-Naïve Patients



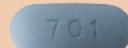
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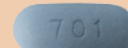
TDF 300 mg/FTC 200 mg/  
EFV 600 mg

(2) Nucleoside RTI (NRTI)



TDF 300 mg/FTC 200 mg

(2) Nucleoside RTI (NRTI)



TDF 300 mg/FTC 200 mg

(2) Nucleoside RTI (NRTI)

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Non-Nucleoside RTI (NNRTI)

Protease Inhibitor

Integrase Inhibitors



300 mg



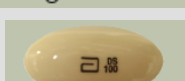
400 mg



400 mg



100 mg



100 mg

OR



400 mg



400 mg

**BID**

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## Preferred Regimens for ARV-Naïve Patients

Class	Therapy
NNRTI-Based Regimen	Efavirenz-Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>AI</b> )
PI-Based Regimen	Atazanavir + Ritonavir + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>AI</b> ) Darunavir (qd) + Ritonavir + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>AI</b> )
INSTI-Based Regimen	Raltegravir + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>AI</b> )

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## Alternative Regimens for ARV-Naïve Patients

Class	Therapy
NNRTI-Based	Efavirenz + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BI</b> )
	Rilpivirine + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>BI</b> )
	Rilpivirine + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BIII</b> )
PI-Based	Atazanavir + Ritonavir + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BI</b> )
	Darunavir + Ritonavir + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BIII</b> )
	Fosamprenavir (1-2x daily) + Ritonavir + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BI</b> )
	Fosamprenavir (1-2x daily) + Ritonavir + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>BI</b> )
	Lopinavir-Ritonavir (1-2x daily) + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BI</b> )
	Lopinavir-Ritonavir (1-2x daily) + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>BI</b> )
INSTI-Based	Raltegravir + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>BIII</b> )

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## Acceptable Regimens for ARV-Naïve Patients

Class	Therapy
NNRTI-Based	Efavirenz + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Nevirapine + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Nevirapine + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Nevirapine + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>CIII</b> )
	Rilpivirine + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CIII</b> )
PI-Based	Atazanavir + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Atazanavir + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Darunavir + Ritonavir + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CIII</b> )
	Fosamprenavir + Ritonavir + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Lopinavir-Ritonavir + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
INSTI-Based	Raltegravir + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CIII</b> )
CCR5 Antagonist-Based	Maraviroc + Zidovudine-Lamivudine ( <b>CI</b> )
	Maraviroc + Tenofovir-Emtricitabine ( <b>CIII</b> )
	Maraviroc + Abacavir-Lamivudine ( <b>CIII</b> )

# SPECIAL POPULATIONS

- Acute HIV Infection
  - Pregnancy
- Opportunistic Infections
  - Tuberculosis

# ART in Special Populations: Acute HIV & Pregnancy

## Acute HIV Infection

- Benefit unknown for treatment of acute HIV infection; treatment should be considered optional (**CIII**) *except in pregnant women (AI)*.
- A ritonavir (RTV)-boosted PI-based regimen should be used if therapy is initiated before drug-resistance test results are available (**AIII**).

## Pregnancy

- Antiretroviral therapy (ART) is recommended for all pregnant women, regardless of CD4 count with the goal to prevent perinatal transmission (**AI**)
- The preferred regimen for pregnant women is Lopinavir/ritonavir (Kaletra) + Zidovudine/Lamivudine (Combivir) twice daily

# ART in Special Populations: OI's & Tuberculosis

## Opportunistic Infections

- In OI's with no effective therapy (Cryptosporidiosis, Microsporidiosis, PML). Initiate ART as soon as possible (**AIII**)
- In OI's with a high potential for IRIS (Cryptococcus, MAC). A short delay may be warranted before initiating ARV treatment (**CIII**)
- In OI's known to have better survival with early ART (*Pneumocystis pneumonia*). ART should not be delayed (**AI**)

## Tuberculosis

CD4 Cell Count	Recommendations for TB Therapy and ART
All	Start TB therapy immediately ( <b>AI</b> )
< 200 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	Initiate ART within 2-4 weeks of starting TB treatment ( <b>AI</b> )
200-500 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	Initiate ART within 2-4 weeks, or at least by 8 weeks, after starting TB treatment ( <b>AIII</b> )
> 500 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	Initiate ART within 8 weeks of starting TB treatment ( <b>BIII</b> )



# Antiretroviral Therapy Guidelines - Summary

## When to Start

- DHHS and IAS-USA Guidelines recommend starting ART at or below a CD4 count threshold of 500 cells/mm<sup>3</sup>. Treatment above this level is considered optional.

## What to Start

- Starting regimens should use a dual NRTI backbone of Emtricitabine and Tenofovir (FTC/TDF – Truvada) and a third agent such as Efavirenz, Atazanavir/ritonavir, Darunavir/ritonavir, or Raltegravir
- The role of newly approved agents is constantly evolving

## Special Populations

- All pregnant women should start ART to prevent vertical transmission
- ART in the setting of Primary HIV and/or acute OI or TB is complex and evolving based on current evidence