

HIV and Aging

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Objectives

- Epidemiology of aging
- Immunology of aging
- Clinical effects
- Health screenings

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Reported Cases of HIV Infection (not AIDS), by Age Group at Diagnosis, Cumulative through 2007—47 States, the District of Columbia, and 5 U.S. Dependent Areas

HIV Infection (not AIDS)

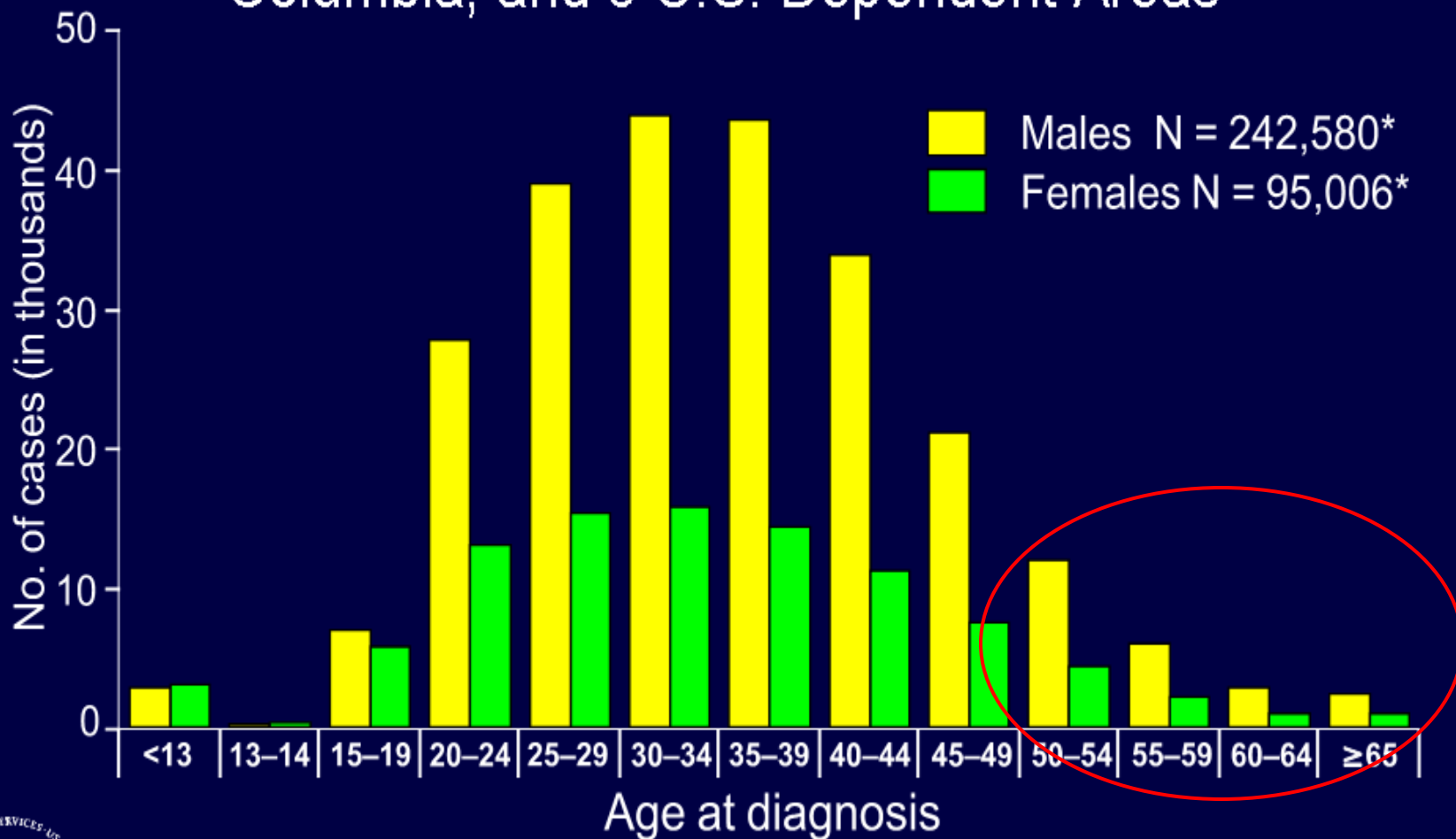
Age (years)	No.	%
<13	5,821	2
13–14	529	<1
15–24	53,579	16
25–34	114,163	34
35–44	103,080	30
45–54	44,938	13
55–64	12,120	3
>65	3,360	<1
Total	337,590	



Note. Data from 47 states, the District of Columbia, and 5 U.S. dependent areas with confidential name-based HIV infection reporting as of 2007.



Reported Cases of HIV Infection (not AIDS), by Age Group and Sex, Cumulative through 2007—47 States, the District of Columbia, and 5 U.S. Dependent Areas



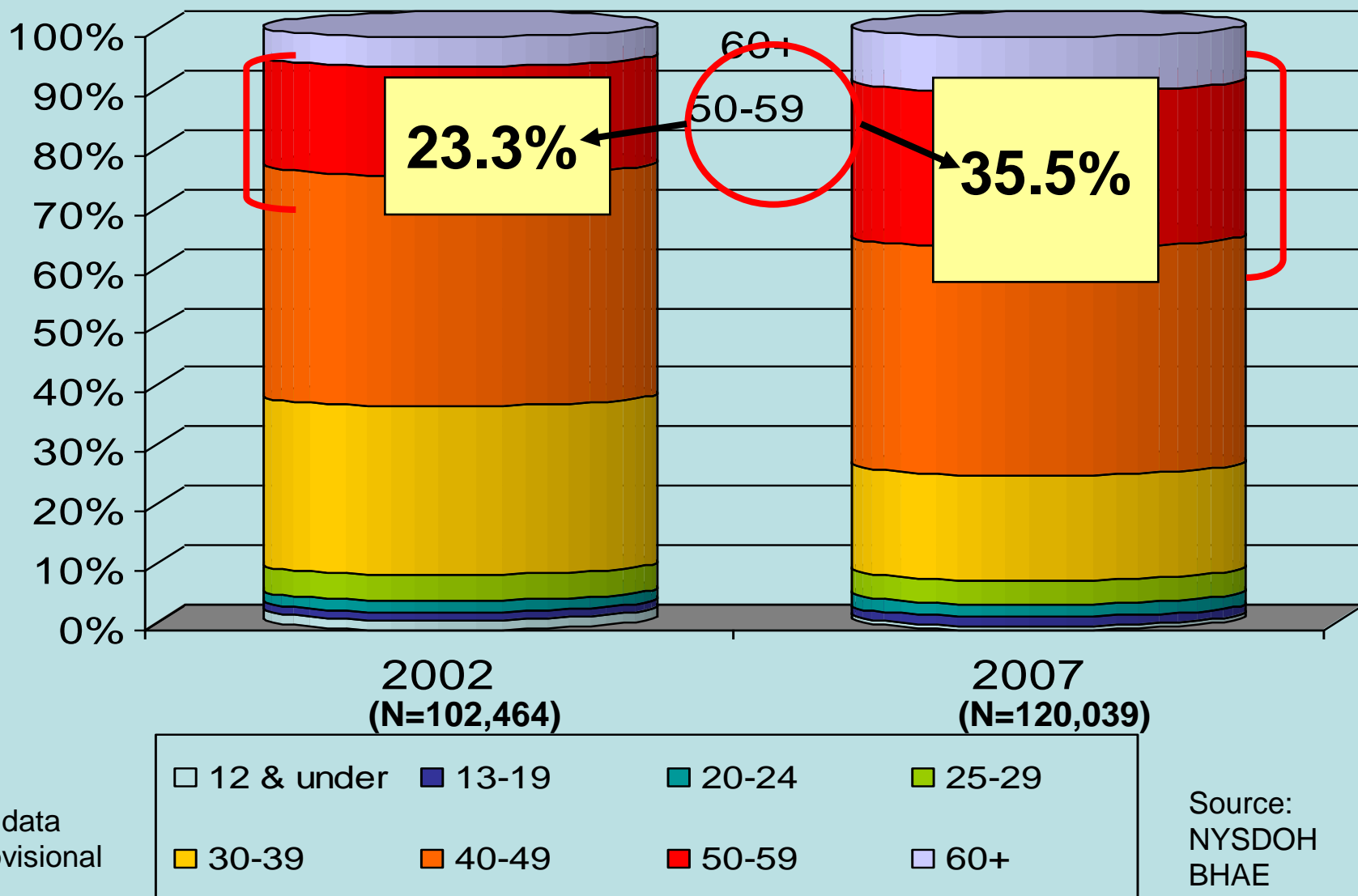
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*Excludes 7 persons of unknown sex.



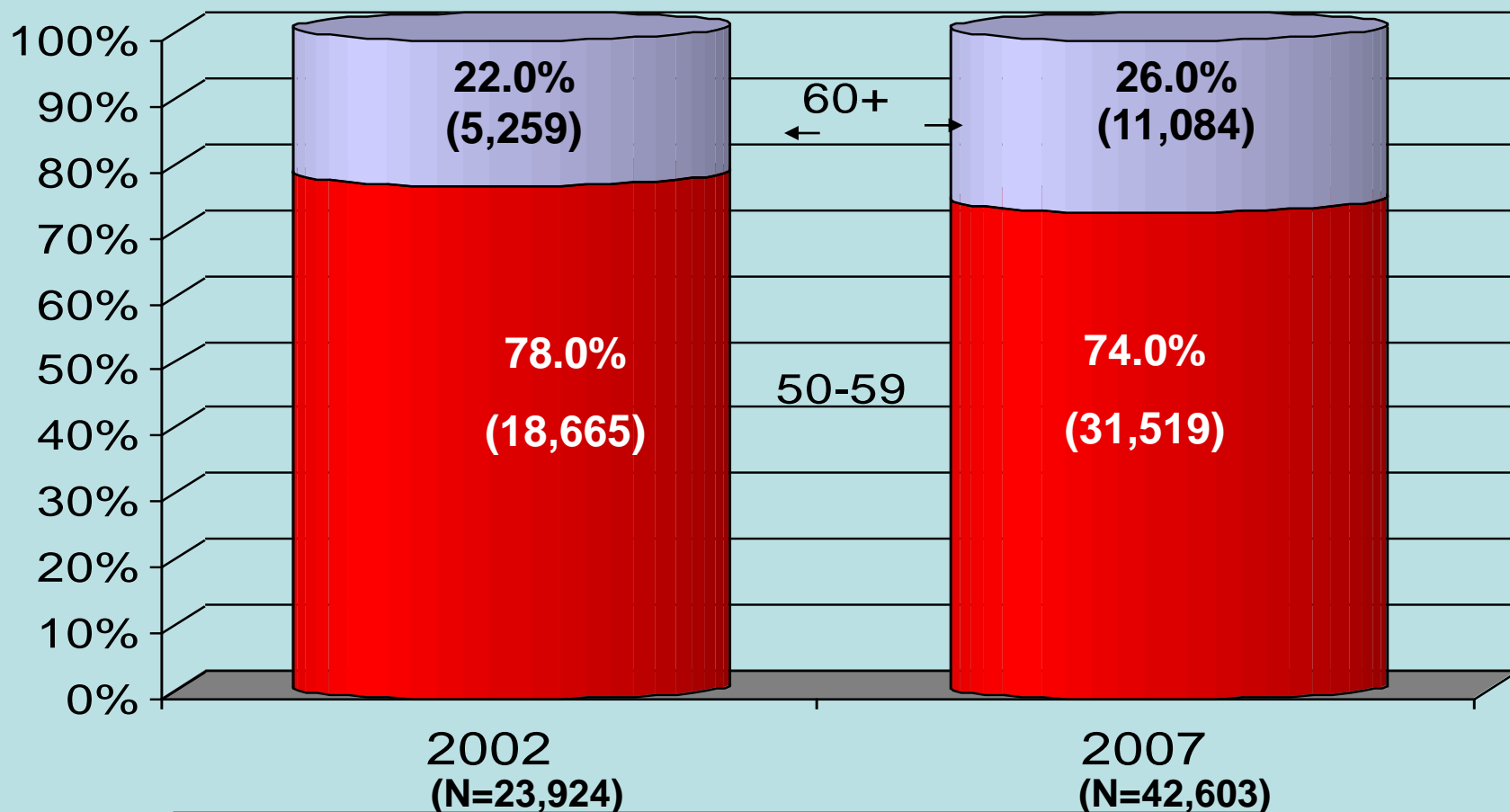
Persons Living with HIV/AIDS

By Age, New York State, end of year, 2002 and 2007*



Persons Living with HIV/AIDS Age ≥ 50

New York State, end of year, 2002 and 2007*



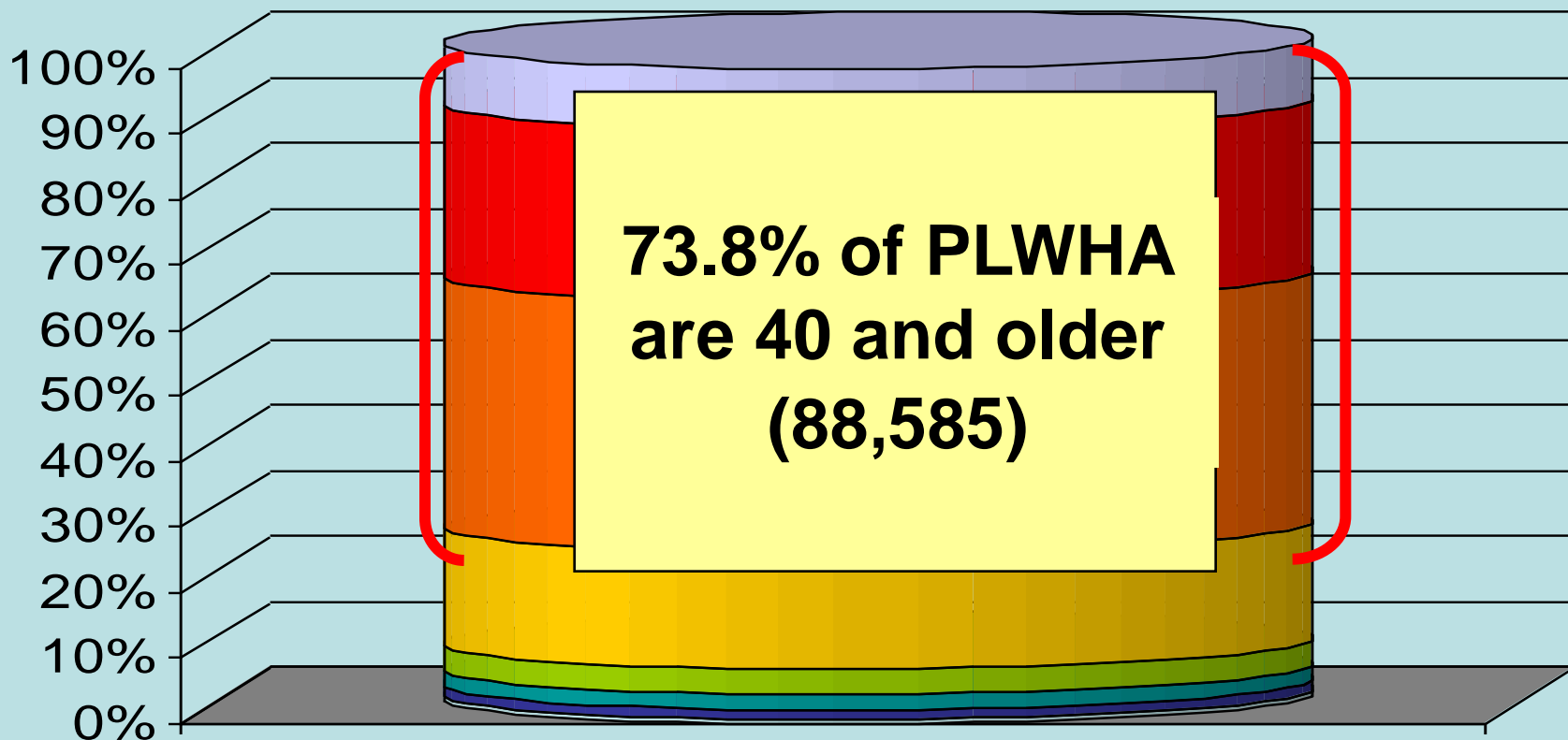
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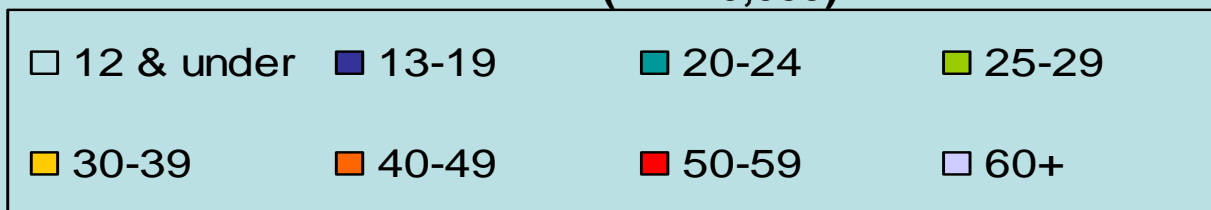
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Persons Living with HIV/AIDS

By Age, New York State, end of 2007*



2007
(N=120,039)



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Life Expectancy of Patients without AIDS

- Athena cohort – N = 4174; 1998-2007
 - 3700 were men in this Netherlands cohort
 - Compared to the general population
- Expected life years remaining at age 25 was:
 - 52.7 years for those with asymptomatic HIV infection;
 - 53.1 years for the general population.
- Modeled life expectancy of a patient presenting at an older age, for women and for those presenting with CDC B classification was slightly lower.

HIV Effects and Aging of the Immune System

- Reduced capacity to renew T-helper cell populations
- Chronic inflammatory condition of HIV itself
- Persistence of replicating HIV in gut tissue

Immune Systems of People with HIV...

- Age similarly to transplant patients.
- Age similarly to children born without a thymus.
- Age faster than those uninfected.

Higher Risk of Clinical Progression in Patients Aged 50 Years or Older

- Prospective cohort study of 3015 treatment-naive patients initiating HAART
 - Aged ≥ 50 years: $n = 401$
 - Aged < 50 years: $n = 2614$
- Median follow-up: 31.5 months
- At BL, older patients more likely to have
 - AIDS-defining event ($P = .0001$)
 - Lower CD4+ cell count ($P = .0002$)
 - Higher HIV-1 RNA level ($P = .0001$)
- Patients 50 years of age or older have higher risk of clinical progression but improved virologic response vs patients younger than 50 years of age

Outcome	Adjusted HR	P Value
Progression to ADE or death	1.52	.0035
Progression to new ADE	1.50	.0087
HIV-1 RNA < 500 copies/mL	1.23	$< .05$

Immunologic Response Slower in Patients Aged 50 Years or Older

- Monthly CD4+ cell count increases significantly lower in patients aged 50 years or older

Mean CD4+ Cell Count Increase/Mo, cells/mm ³	Within First 6 Mos of HAART*		After 6 Months of HAART*	
	Age < 50 Yrs	Age ≥ 50 Yrs	Age < 50 Yrs	Age ≥ 50 Yrs
BL HIV-1 RNA < 5 log ₁₀ copies/mL	17.3	14.1	11.1	9.8
BL HIV-1 RNA ≥ 5 log ₁₀ copies/mL	42.9	36.9	17.9	15.6

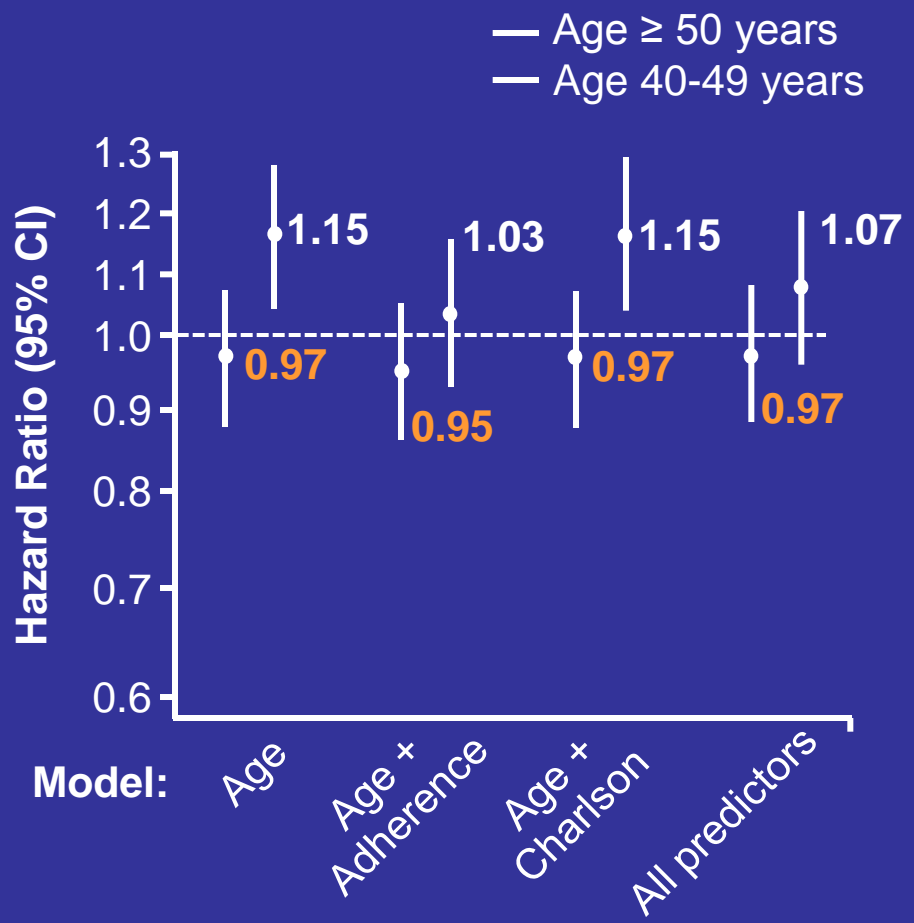
**P* < .0001 for younger than 50 years of age vs 50 years of age or older in all subgroups.

Younger Age Associated With Better Immunologic Recovery in ACTG 384

- Factors associated with significantly greater CD4+ cell count increases at Week 48 on HAART by multivariate analysis
 - Younger age (as continuous variable; $P = .0014$)
 - Female sex ($P = .0004$)
 - Higher BL \log_{10} HIV-1 RNA (as continuous variable; $P < .0001$)
 - HIV-1 RNA ≤ 50 copies/mL at Week 48 ($P = .0008$)
- Both naive CD4+ cell percentage and naive:memory CD4+ cell count ratio associated with higher CD4+ cell count increases ($r = 0.26$ at Week 48 for both; $P < .0001$)
 - Naive CD4+ cell percentage and naive:memory CD4+ cell count ratio higher for younger (≤ 40 years) vs older (> 40 years) individuals ($P < .0001$ for both)

Older Patients More Likely to Achieve HIV-1 RNA < 500 copies/mL

- Kaiser Permanente study compared patients 40-49 years of age and 50 years of age or older to younger patients (18-39 yrs of age)
- Patients older than 50 years of age more likely to achieve HIV-1 RNA < 500 copies/mL vs patients aged 18-39 years, even when adjusting for comorbidities
- Adherence major advantage for older patients



Silverberg M, et al. IAC 2006. Abstract TUPE0135.
Silverberg MJ, et al. Arch Intern Med. 2007;167:684-691.

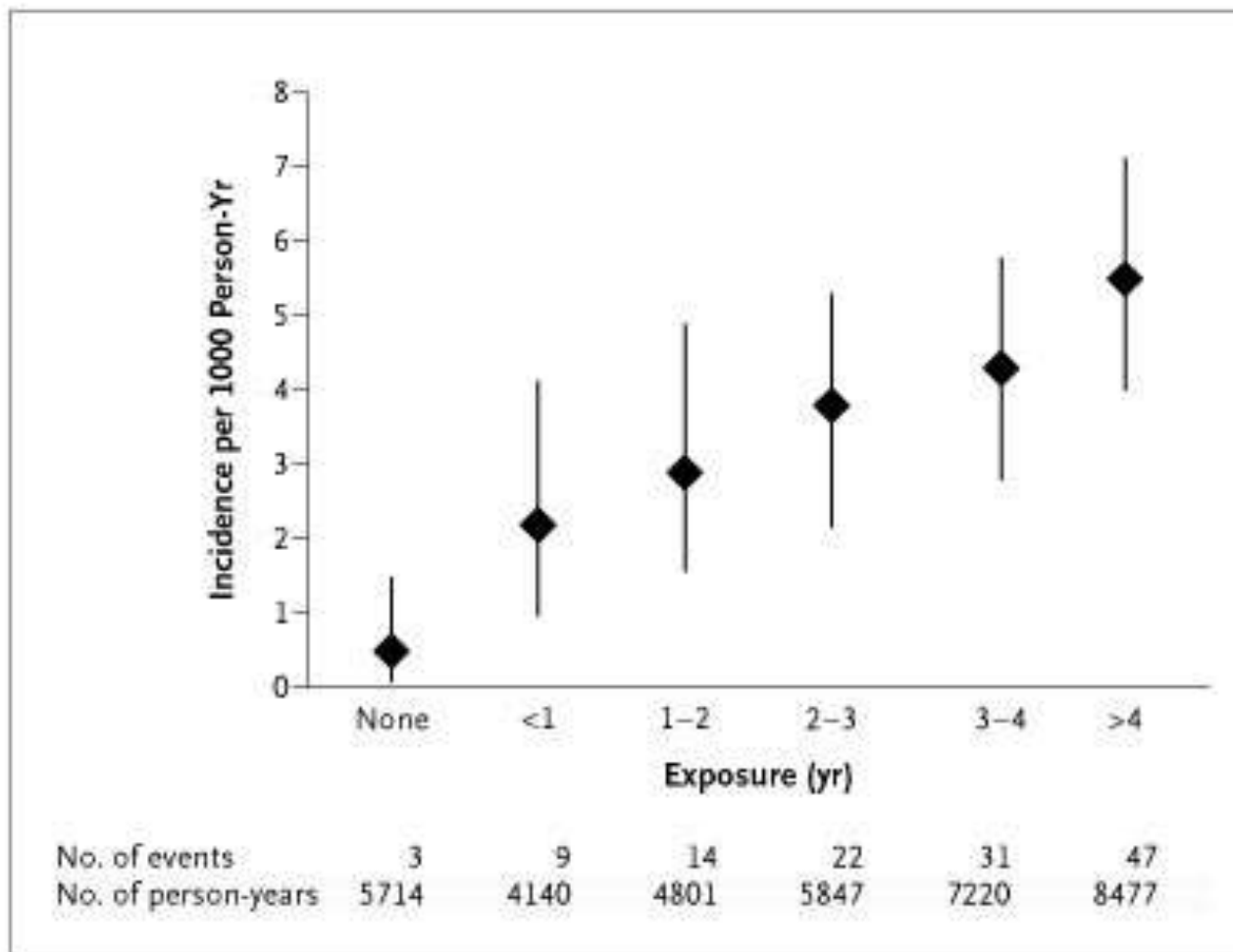
Clinical Effects of Aging

- Cardiovascular disease
- Pulmonary disease
- Malignancies in an aging population
- Endocrine disease
- Liver disease
- Aging effects on the brain & nervous system

Heart & Vascular Disease and HIV Effects

- Small but real increased risk of myocardial infarction in patients on some HIV therapies
- Peripheral vascular disease
- Cerebrovascular disease

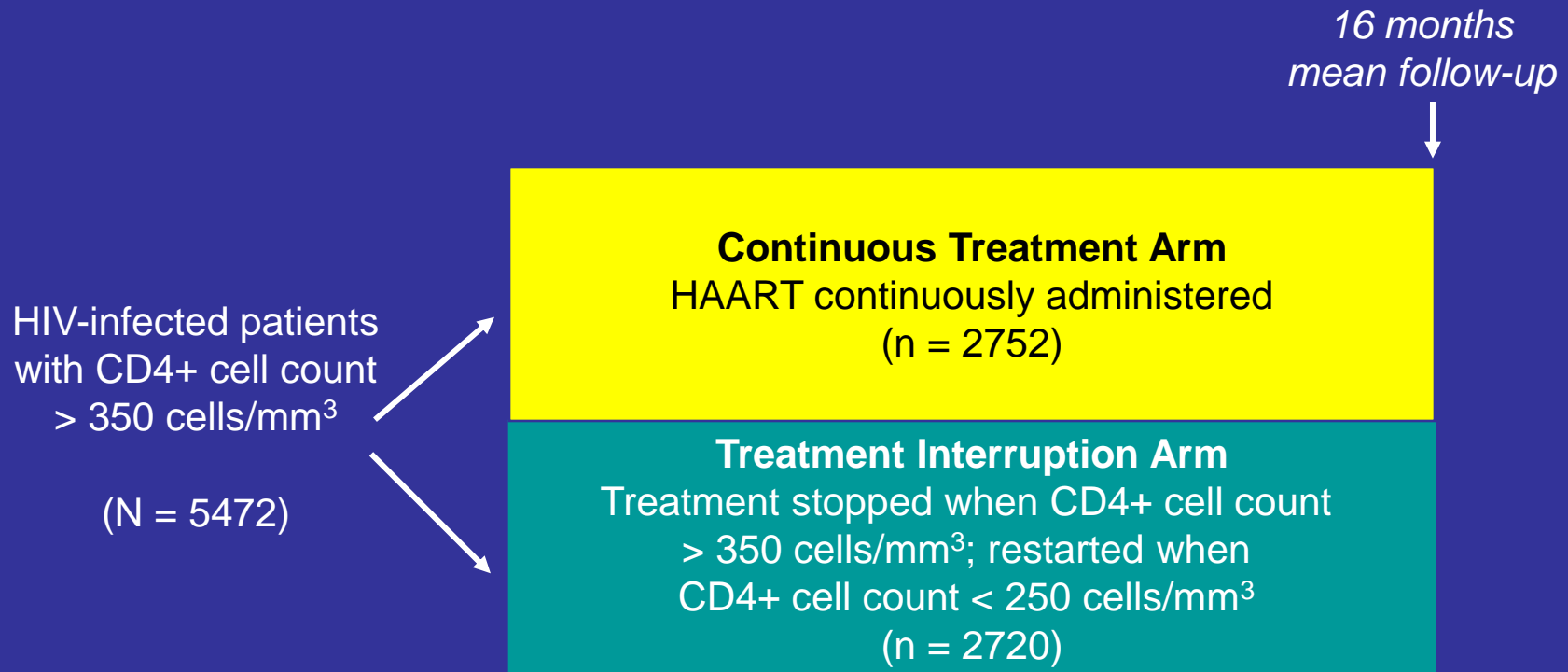
Incidence of Myocardial Infarction According to the Duration of Exposure to Combination Antiretroviral Therapy



The Data Collection on Adverse Events of Anti-HIV Drugs (DAD) Study Group *N Engl J Med* 2003;349:1993-2003.



SMART: Study Design



- Independent data and safety monitoring board reviewed interim study data annually
 - Board recommended that study enrollment halted on January 11, 2006
 - Significant safety risk in treatment interruption group

SMART: Non-AIDS Event Rates With Continuous vs Intermittent Therapy

- Significantly more individuals in treatment interruption arm developed major cardiovascular, renal, or hepatic disease than individuals in viral suppression arm
- Significantly more individuals in treatment interruption arm experienced grade 4 event or death from any cause than individuals in viral suppression arm

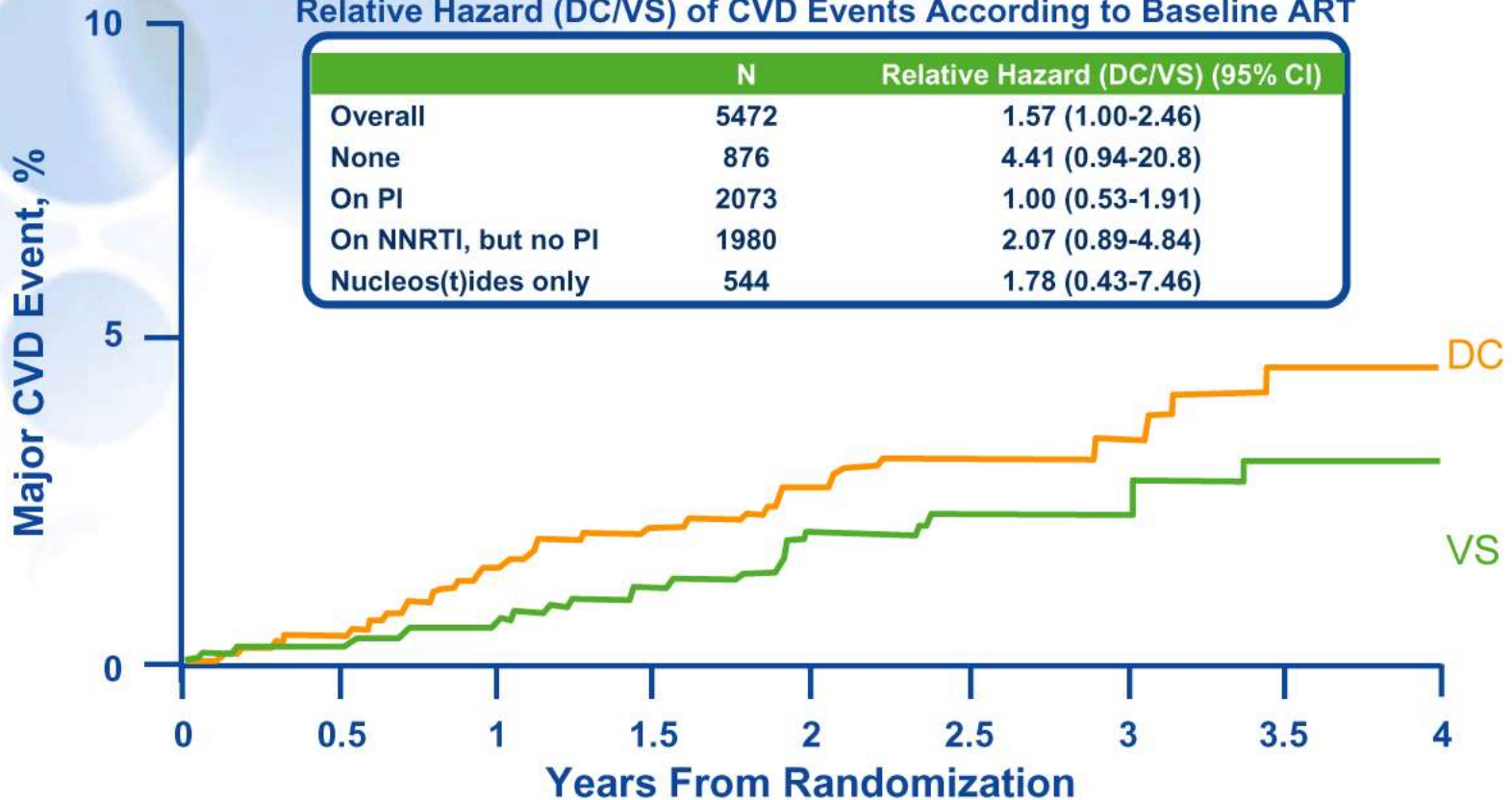
Endpoint, n	Viral Suppression Arm (n = 2752)	Treatment Interruption Arm (n = 2720)	HR (95% CI)*	P Value
Major cardiovascular, renal, or hepatic disease	39	65	1.7 (1.1-2.5)	.009
• Fatal/nonfatal cardiovascular disease	31	48	1.6 (1.0-2.5)	.05
• Fatal/nonfatal renal disease	2	9	4.5 (1.0-20.9)	.05
• Fatal/nonfatal liver disease	7	10	1.4 (0.6-3.8)	.46
Grade 4 event or death from any cause	164	205	1.3 (1.0-1.6)	.03

*Treatment interruption group vs viral suppression group.

Treatment Interruption and CVD Risk

Relative Hazard (DC/VS) of CVD Events According to Baseline ART

	N	Relative Hazard (DC/VS) (95% CI)
Overall	5472	1.57 (1.00-2.46)
None	876	4.41 (0.94-20.8)
On PI	2073	1.00 (0.53-1.91)
On NNRTI, but no PI	1980	2.07 (0.89-4.84)
Nucleos(t)ides only	544	1.78 (0.43-7.46)



No. at risk

DC	2752	1306	713	379	10
VS	2720	1292	696	377	10

Relative hazard 1.57 (1.00-2.46); $P = 0.05$.

DC = drug conservation; VS = viral suppression.

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D:A:D Study: Recent Use of ABC, Didanosine Associated With Increased Risk of MI

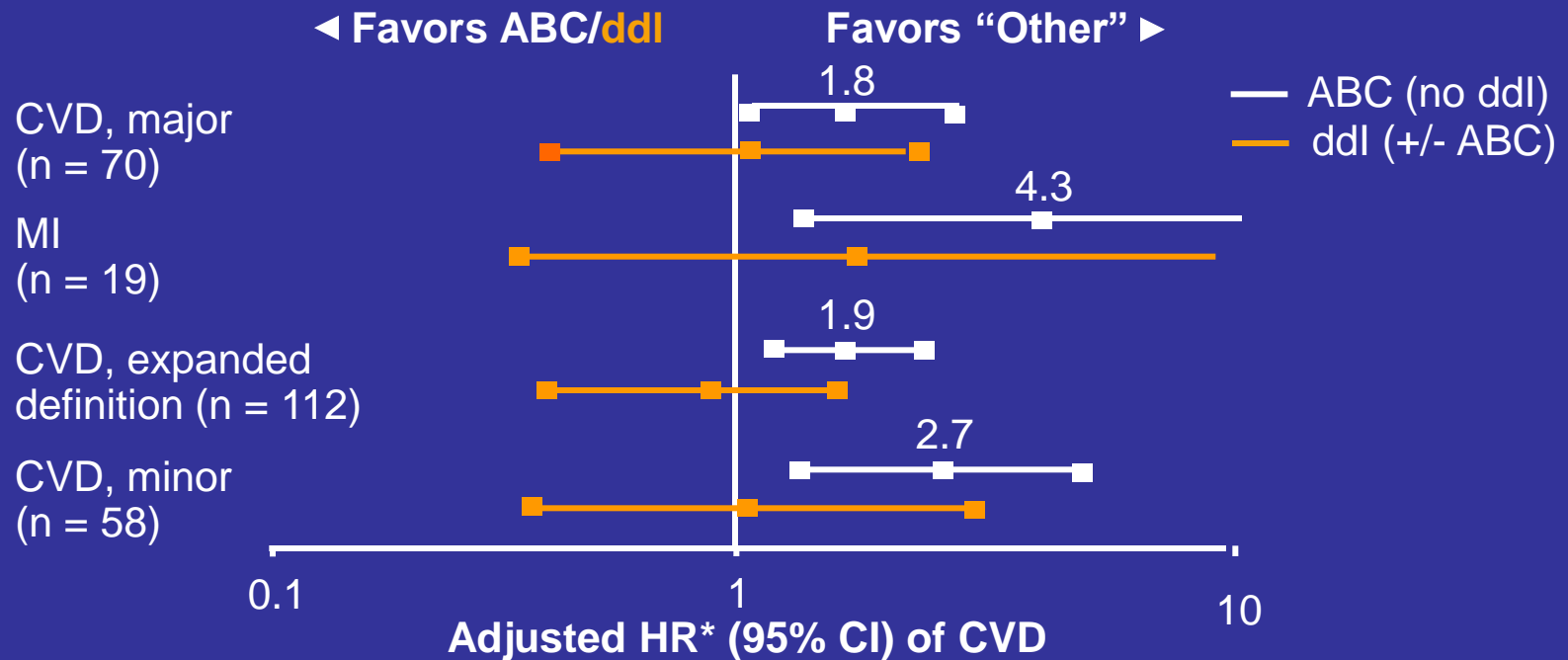
- Thymidine analogs not associated with ↑ risk of MI
- Current or recent (within 6 months) use of ABC or ddl associated with ↑ relative risk of MI
 - Overall predicted rate of MI
 - Recent ddl: ~ 5/1000 PY
 - Recent ABC: ~ 6/1000 PY
 - Risk most prominent in individuals with underlying CVD risk factors
- ↑ risk no longer observed in patients who had discontinued ABC or ddl for > 6 months

NRTI	Risk of MI With Recent Exposure (95% CI)	P
ZDV	0.97 (0.76-1.25)	.82
d4T	1.00 (0.76-1.32)	.98
3TC	1.25 (0.96-1.62)	.10
ddl	1.49 (1.14-1.95)	.003
ABC	1.90 (1.47-2.45)	.0001

Observational Analysis of SMART Study to Confirm/Refute D:A:D Results

- Analysis of SMART participants in 3 post hoc subgroups by NRTI use
 - Patients receiving ABC and not ddl
 - Patients receiving ddl, with ABC or other NRTIs
 - Patients receiving NRTIs other than ABC and ddl
- CV endpoints
 - MI
 - Major CVD events: clinical and silent MI, stroke, surgery for CAD, and CVD death
 - Expanded major CVD events: major CVD events plus peripheral vascular disease, CHF, pharmacotherapy for CAD, and unwitnessed deaths
 - Minor CVD events: CHF, peripheral vascular disease, or CAD requiring pharmacotherapy

SMART: Current Use of Abacavir but Not Didanosine Associated With Increased CV Risk



Increased risk of CVD events with use of ABC driven entirely by patients with ≥ 5 CV risk factors at BL (adjusted HR: 3.1)

No increased risk observed in patients without ≥ 5 risk factors, though difference in risk between patients with vs without these risk factors not statistically significant

Smoking

“Cigarette smoking is the most important modifiable cardiovascular risk factor among HIV-infected patients.”

Greenspoon S, Carr A. Cardiovascular risk and body-fat abnormalities in HIV-infected adults. *N Engl J Med* 2005; 352:48–62.

Smoking

“Cessation of smoking is more likely to reduce cardiovascular risk than either the choice of antiretroviral therapy or the use of any lipid-lowering therapy.”

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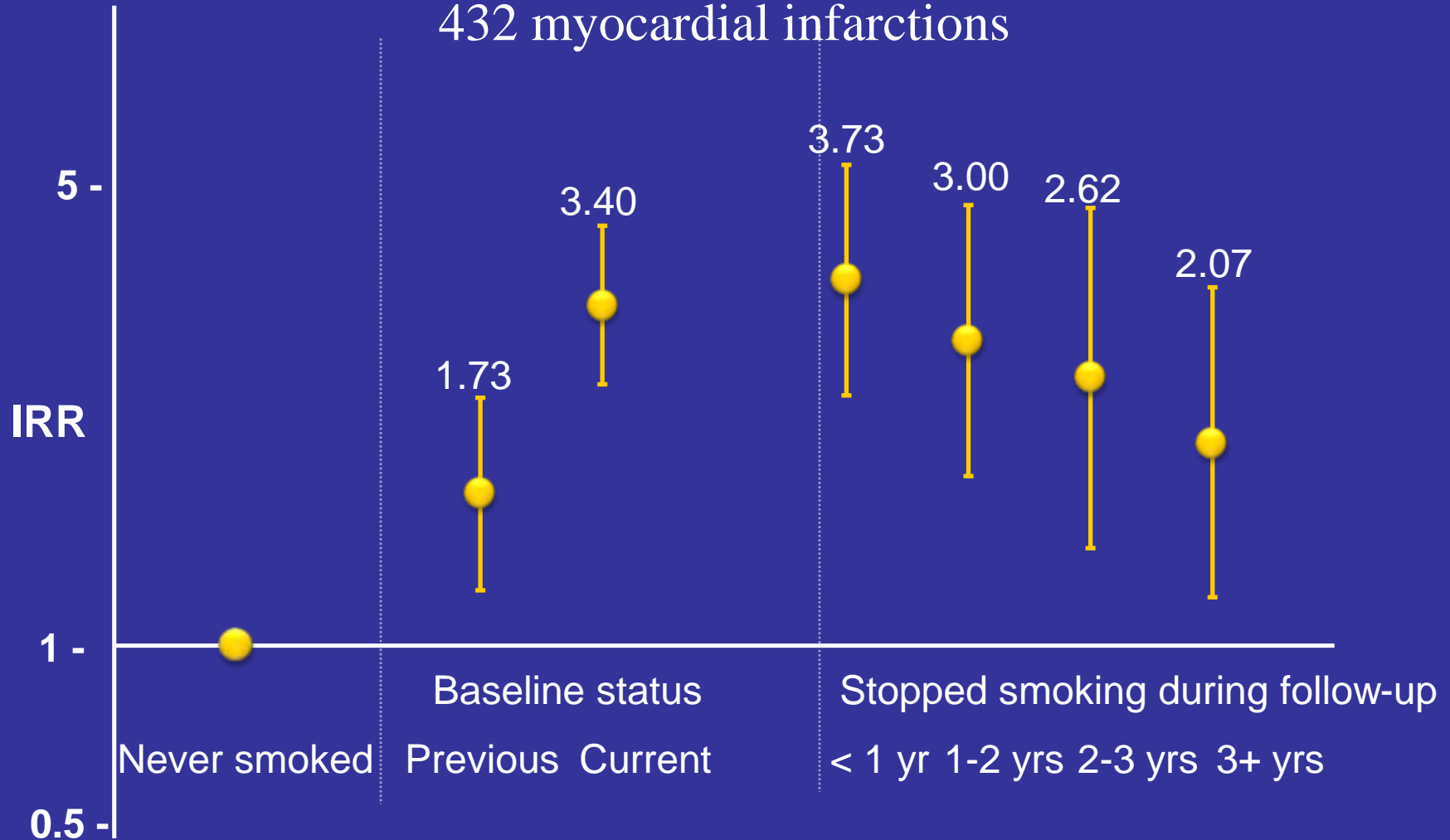
Smoking Prevalence among PLWHA Receiving Care in NYS: 2005

Use Status	N	%
Currently Use	638	59.2
Used in the Past	264	24.5
Never Used	175	16.3
Total	1077	100

D-A-D Cohort Study: Smoking & MIs

33,308 HIV-positive pts in 212 clinics in Europe, the US and Australia

432 myocardial infarctions



Adjusted for: age, sex, cohort, calendar year, ART, FH of CVD, DM, and time-updated lipids and BP assessments. No start/stop dates, pack-yr data, other lifestyle factors

Lung Disease & Effect of HIV

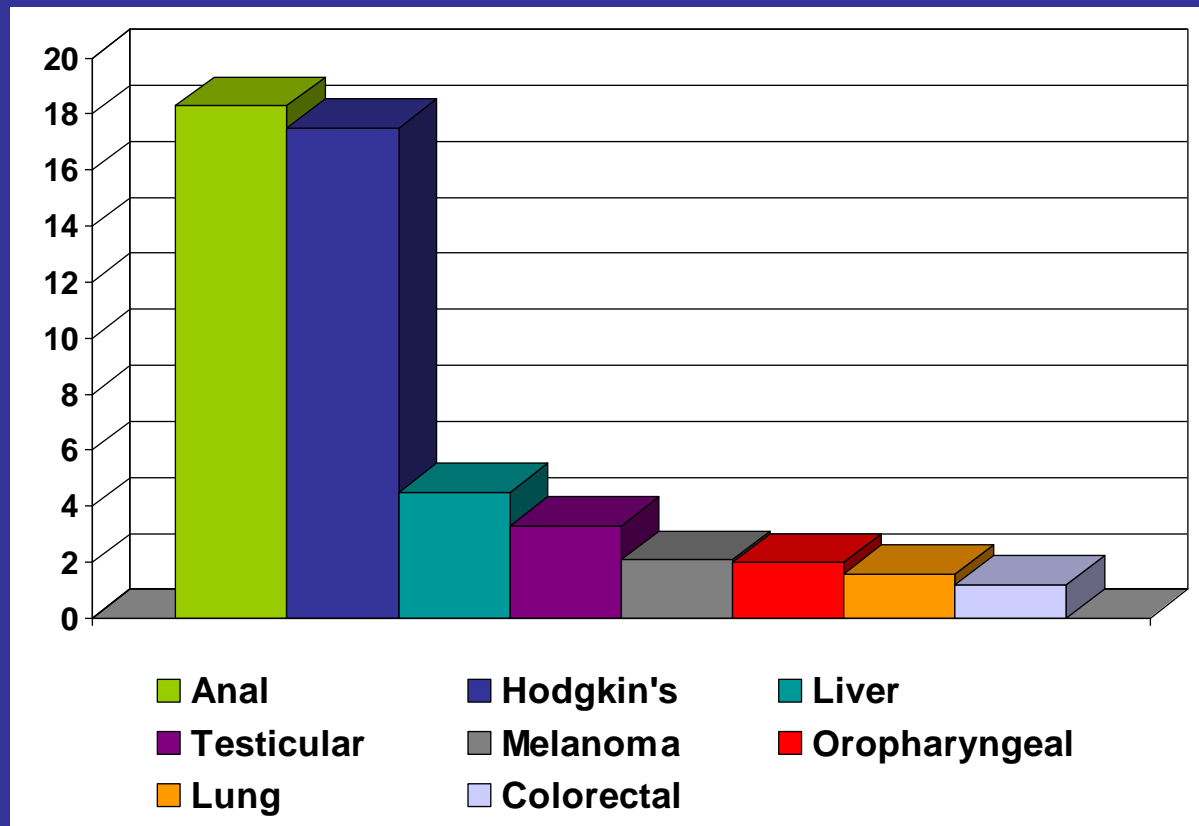
- Recurrent pneumonias
- Asthma
- Smoking-related lung disease
 - Emphysema
 - Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
 - Chronic bronchitis
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Lung cancer

Non-AIDS Defining Malignancies

Increased Incidence of Non-AIDS– Defining Cancers Over Time

- In HIV-infected population in HAART era
 - Relative incidence of Kaposi’s sarcoma and non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma significantly decreased over time
 - Relative incidence of anal cancer, Hodgkin’s lymphoma, melanoma, prostate cancer, and colorectal cancer increased significantly over time
 - Based on $P < .05$ for average change in incidence rates from 1992-1995 to 1996-1999 and 1996-1999 to 2000-2003.

Incidence Rate Ratios of Non-AIDS Defining Malignancies: 1992-2002



Incidence rate ratio
Standardized HIV:
Observed SEER

HOPS and
Adult/Adolescent
Spectrum of Disease
prospective cohorts

Endocrine (Hormonal) Disorders with HIV & Aging

- Insulin resistance and diabetes
- Thyroid disease
- Menopausal changes
- Bone metabolism

Factors Associated with Insulin Resistance & Diabetes

Physical Inactivity¹

Abdominal Obesity^{1,2}

Family History¹

Non-White Race¹

Dyslipidemia¹

Other Risk Factors

Some Antiretroviral Therapies^{3,4}

HIV & Hepatitis C Coinfection⁵

1. Expert Panel on Detection, Evaluation and Treatment of High Blood Cholesterol in Adults.
2. Danoff *et al.*
3. Noor *et al.*
4. FDA “Dear Health Care Professional” Letter.
5. Duong *et al.*

Liver Disease & HIV Effects

- **Liver Diseases**
 - Chronic hepatitis B or C
 - Past or current alcohol dependence
 - Fatty liver
 - Can each lead to cirrhosis
- **Clinical presentation**
 - Fatigue
 - Encephalopathy
 - Bleeding
 - Liver cancer

Aging & HIV Effects on the Nervous System

- Memory impairment
 - Neuro-cognitive testing
- Peripheral neuropathy
- Vascular disease
 - Effects on carotid arteries and small vessels of the brain

Medication Effects

- Medication side effects and tolerability
- Drug-drug interactions
- Previous medications or doses no longer as well tolerated as we grow older
- Poly-pharmacy

Health Screens

- Blood pressure
- Cholesterol & triglycerides
- Blood glucose
- Colonoscopy if 50 or older
- Mammograms
- Pelvic and rectal exams
 - Anal PAP smears for MSM
- Prostate specific antigen for prostate cancer?
- Vitamin D level/calcium for bone health
 - DEXA scans?

Summary

- Aging is a natural part of living
- Presentation of some medical conditions may be accelerated in patients with HIV
 - Effects of the disease itself
 - Lesser effects due to antiretroviral therapy
- Benefits of antiretroviral therapy significantly outweigh potential, long-term side effects

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