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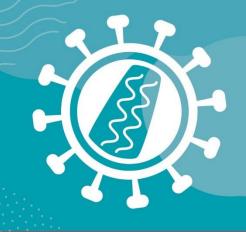






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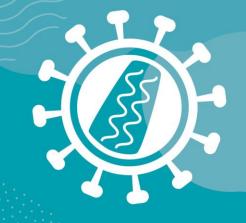
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Integrase Inhibitors, Weight Gain, and Cardiovascular Disease

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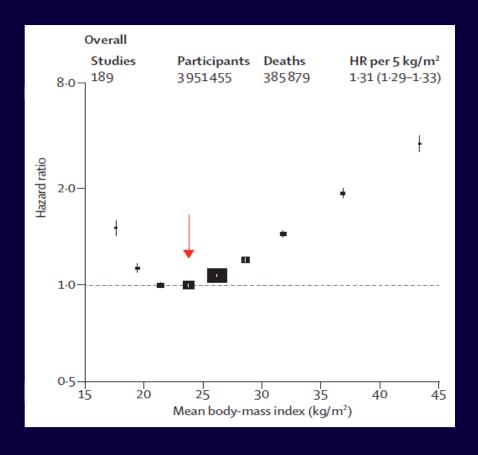
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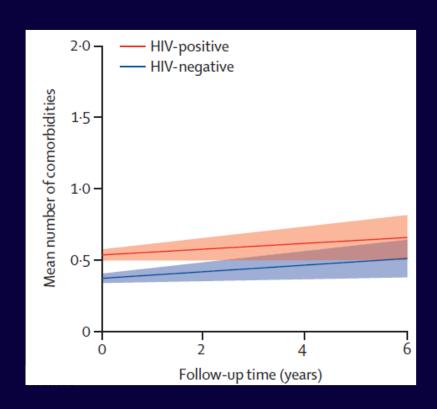
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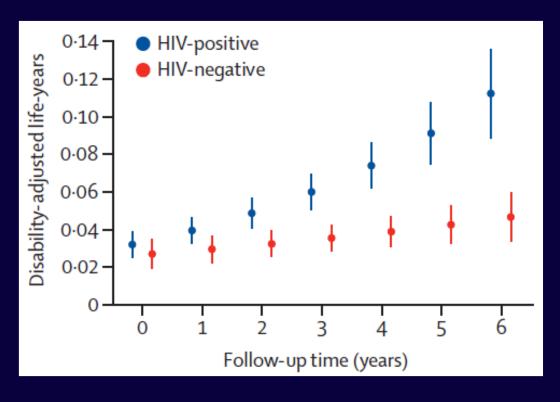
INSTIs, weight gain and CVD Epidemiology of overweight

- Obesity = BMI >30 kg/m²
- Global prevalence (2016) = 13%
 - nearly tripled since 1975
 - >30% in 7 countries (USA 36.2%)
 - Australia-Europe 20-30%
- HIV+ adults (15% to 39%)
- Complications
 - Hypertension cardiovascular disease
 - Type-2 diabetes CVD, kidney disease, retinopathy, peripheral neuropathy
 - Other osteoarthritis, cancers, sleep apnoea, fatty liver disease
 - 4 million deaths a year (70% from CVD; 85% in LMIC)
 - 5 kg/m² BMI increment increases risk of death by ~30% (HIV no different?)



Epidemiology of comorbidities (AGE_hIV cohort)



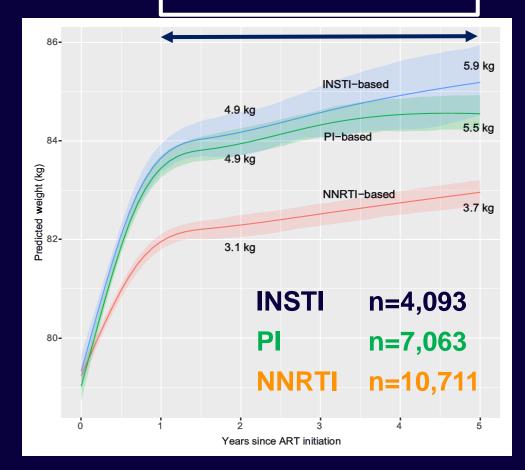


- Comorbidities more common in HIV
- Incidence of new comorbidities similar for HIV+ vs HIV-
- Each comorbidity was associated with a 3-fold greater risk of death
- HIV+ patients had greater loss of DALYs

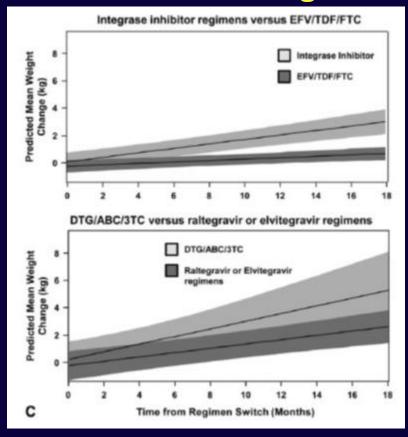
INSTIs: Associations with weight gain in cohorts

Initial ART

Average US adult gains 0.5-1.0 kg / yr from early to middle adulthood



ART switching

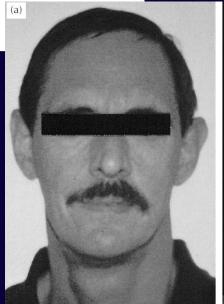


Association does <u>not</u> always mean causality

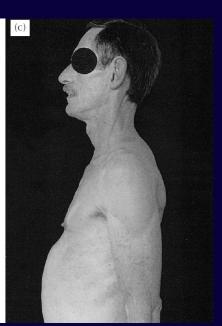
A syndrome of peripheral lipodystrophy, hyperlipidaemia and insulin resistance in patients receiving HIV protease inhibitors

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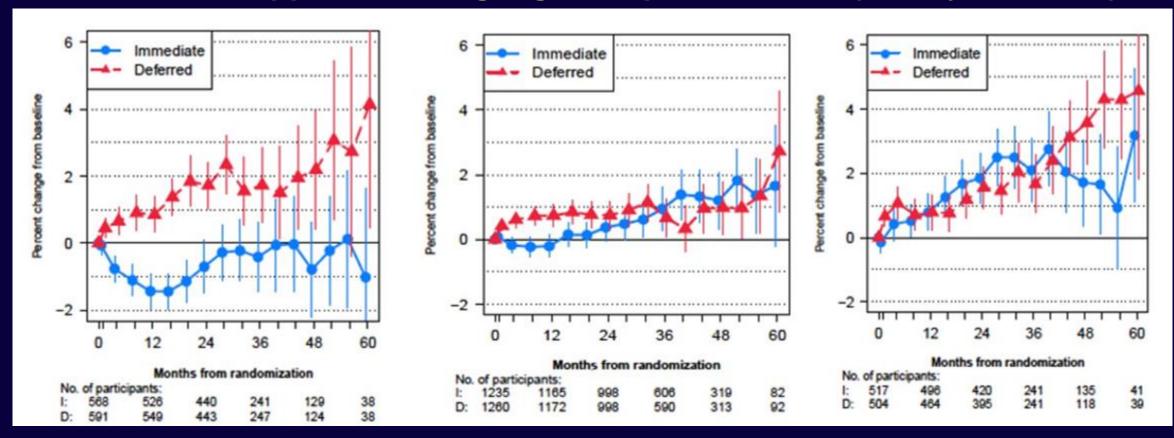


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Initial ART: Pre-INSTI era (START trial)

Initial ART suppressed weight gain in pre-INSTI era (mostly TDF-EFV)

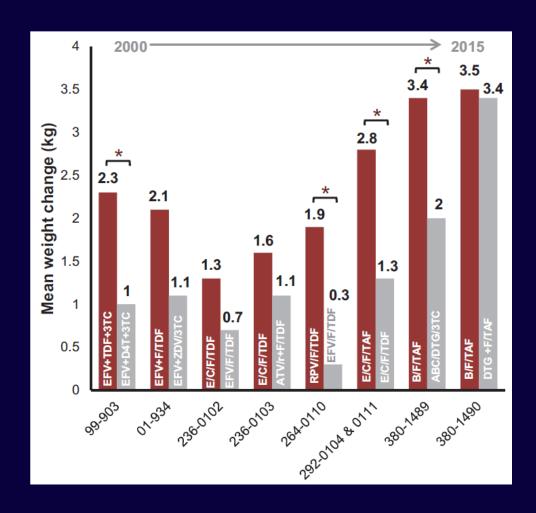


Baseline VL <3000

Baseline VL 3000-50000

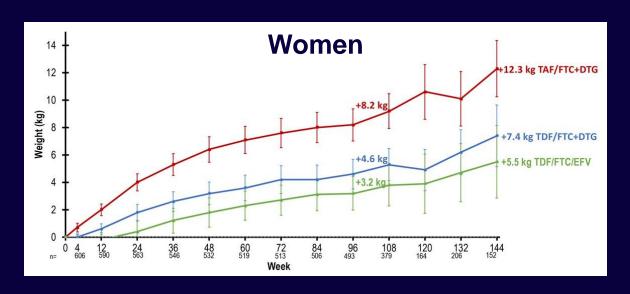
Baseline VL >50000

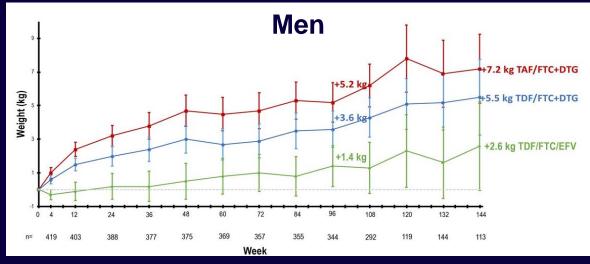
INSTIs, weight gain and CVD Initial ART: Gilead RCTs



Risk factor	Odds ratio
Patient	
CD4 <200 vs. >200	4.36
RNA >100,000 vs. <100,000	1.98
BMI >25, >30 vs. <25	1.54, 1.66
Women vs. men	1.54
Black race vs. other races	1.32
INSTIs	
BIC / DTG vs. EFV	1.82
RPV vs. EFV	1.51
TAF vs. ABC	1.90
TAF vs. TDF	1.47

INSTIS, weight gain and CVD Initial ART: Dolutegravir, TAF/TDF and efavirenz (ADVANCE)

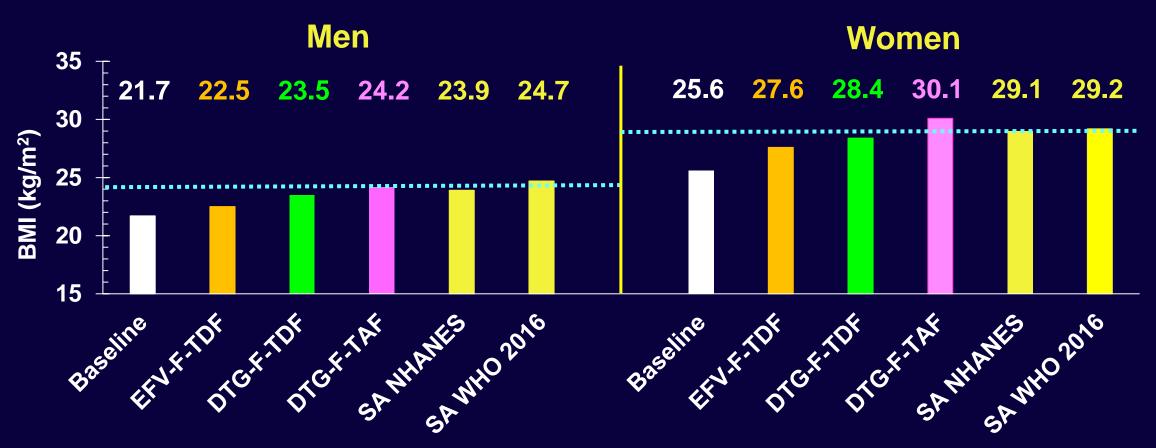




- Fat gain >> muscle gain
- Fat gain peripherally and centrally
- Less fat gain with EFV in slow EFV metabolisers

Initial ART: Dolutegravir, TAF/TDF and efavirenz (ADVANCE)

ADVANCE – Week 144 vs South African general population



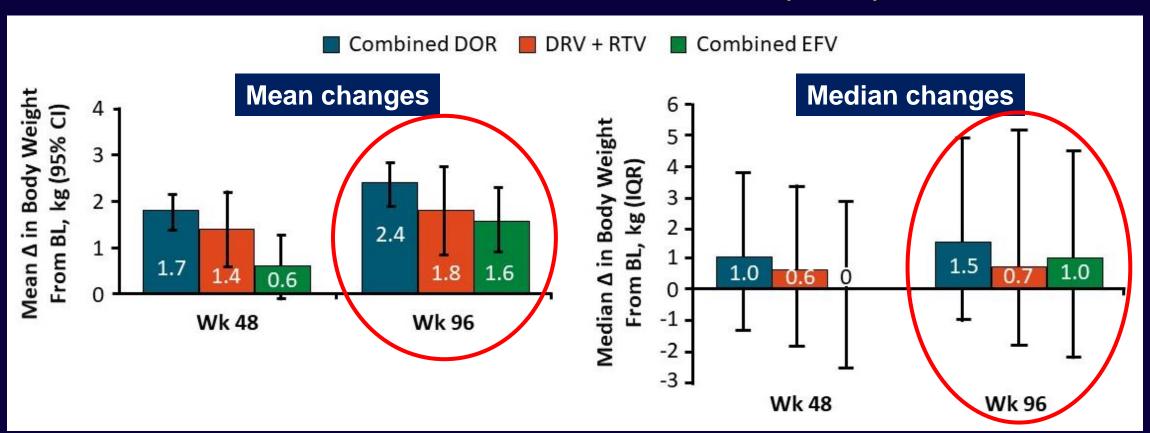
Initial ART: Pregnancy (IMPAACT 2010)

INSTIs regimen	Weight gain / week	Adverse pregnancy outcome	Low weight gain
DTG-F-TAF	0.38 kg	24%	15%
DTG-F-TDF	0.32 kg	33%	24%
EFV/F/TDF	0.29 kg	33%	30%
Recommended	0.42 kg		

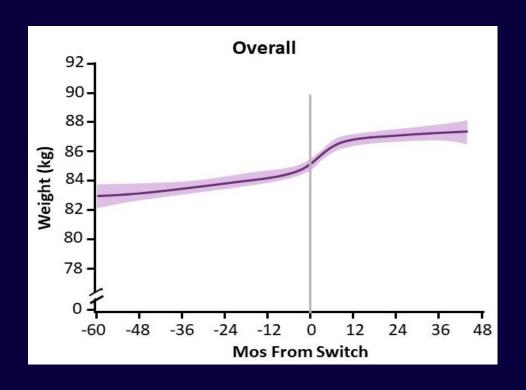
- Less weight gain associated with
 - more adverse pregnancy outcome (HR 1.4)
 - more small-for-gestational age babies (HR 1.5)

Initial ART: Weight change is not normally distributed

TDF-3TC-DOR vs TDF-3TC-DRVc (DRIVE)



Switch cohort: TDF to TAF (OPERA)



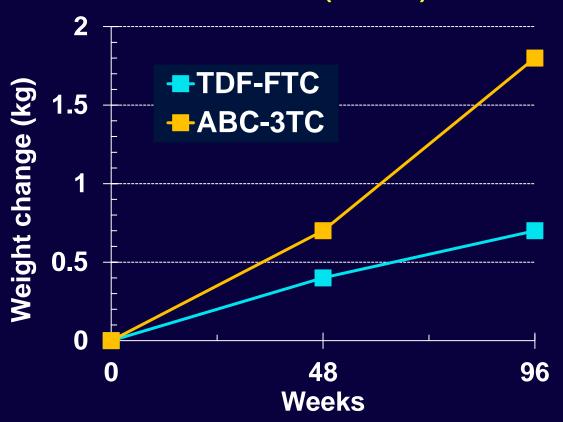
- All patients undetectable
- Switched TDF to TAF only or also switched non-INSTI anchor to INSTI

Time to switch (months)		NNRTI (n=1452)	PIx (n=746)
-60 to 0	0.42	0.66	0.31
0 to 9	2.64	2.25	1.98
9+	0.29	0.20	-0.11

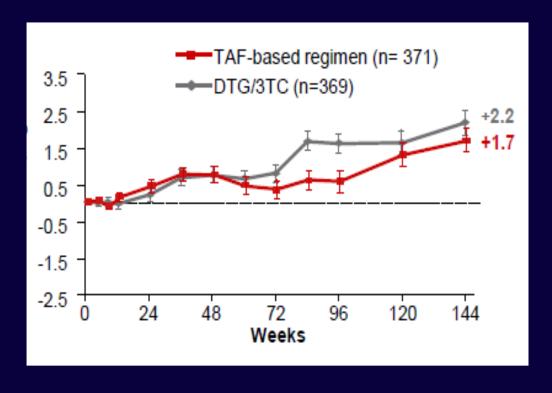
Similar findings in Asian cohort from TDF-ART to EVGc/F-TAF (+0.5 kg in 48 weeks pre-switch vs. +1.8 kg in 48 weeks after switch)

INSTIs, weight gain and CVD Switch RCTs: TDF / TAF

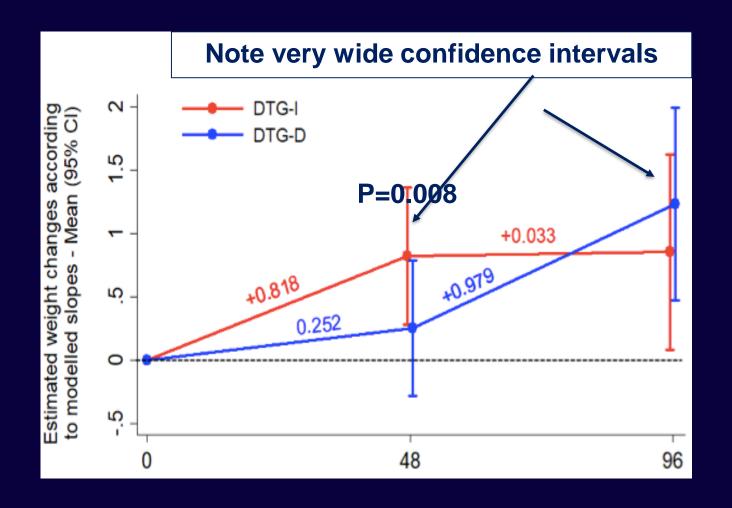
NRTI switch to TDF-FTC or ABC-3TC (STEAL)



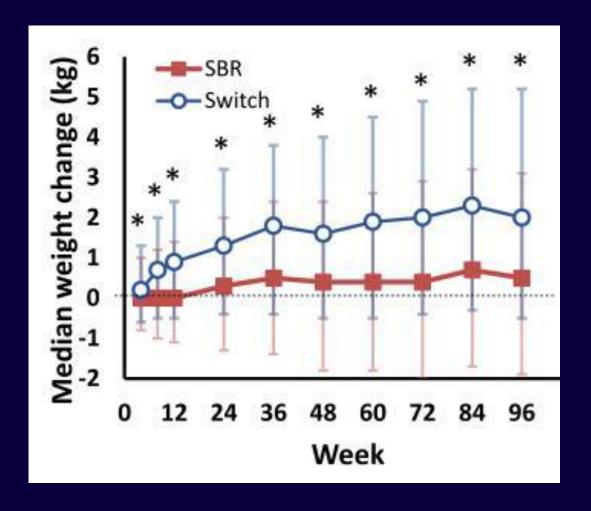
TAF-based ART to DTG-3TC (TANGO)



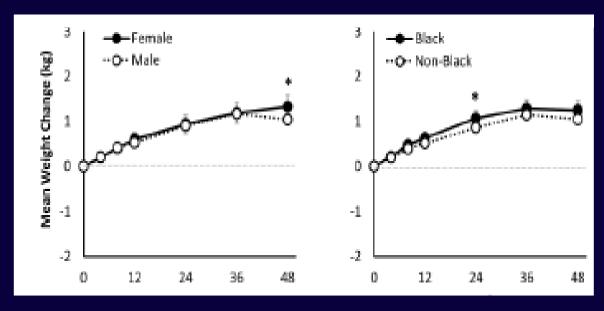
INSTIs, weight gain and CVD Switch RCTs: Plr to Dolutegravir (NEAT022)



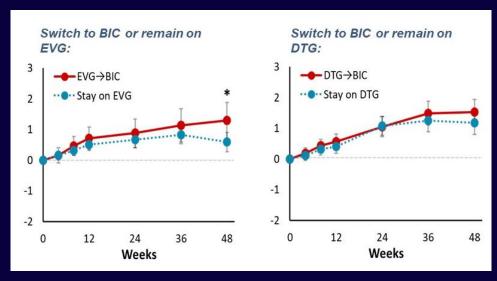
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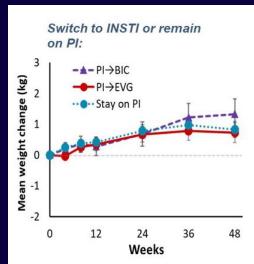


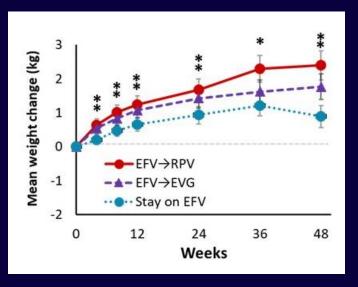
- >10% weight gain associated with
 - younger age
 - lower baseline weight

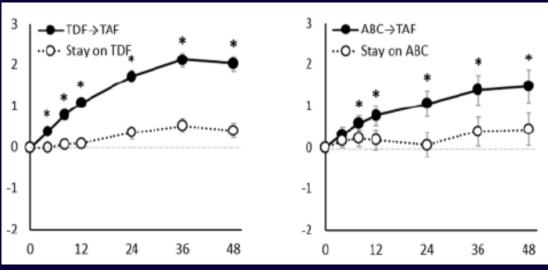


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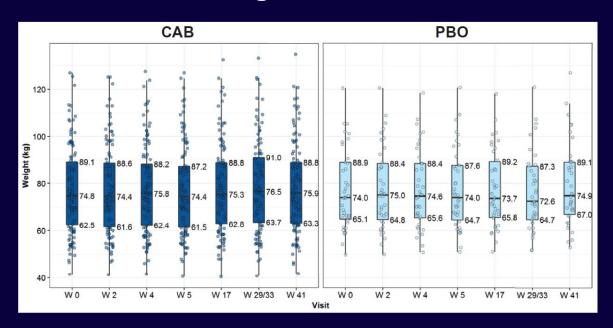




PrEP: Cabotegravir vs. placebo or TDF

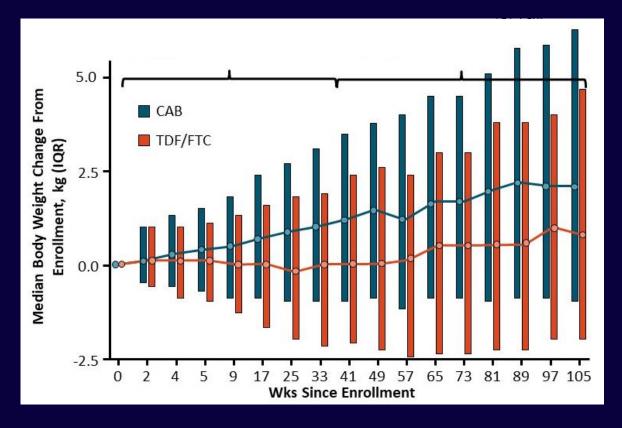
Cabotegravir vs. Placebo (HPTN077)

CAB: +1.1kg, Pbo: +1.0, P=0.66



Cabotegravir vs. TDF-FTC (HPTN083)

CAB: +1.3kg, TDF-FTC: +0.3, P<0.001

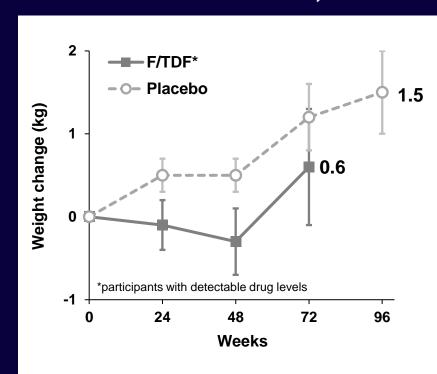


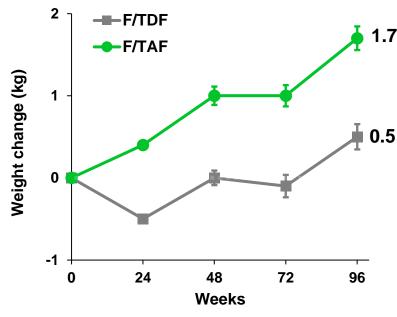
INSTIs, weight gain and CVD PrEP / HBV: TDF vs. placebo or TAF

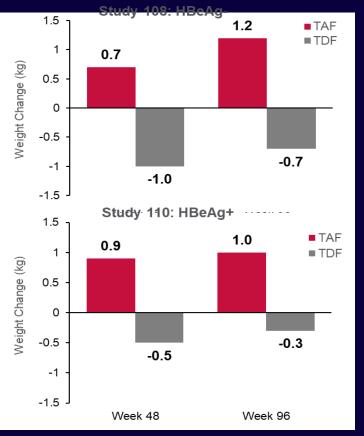
TDF-FTC vs. Placebo (iPrEx)
Difference Wk 24 = -0.8%, P=0.02

TAF-FTC vs. TDF-FTC (DISCOVER)

TAF vs. TDF (HBV monoinfection)





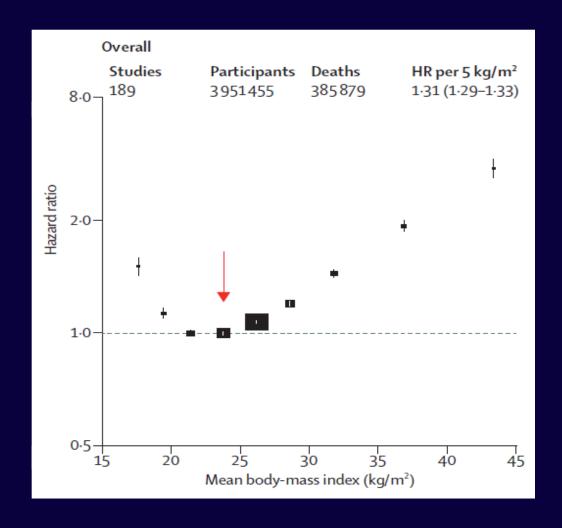


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Dolutegravir	2013	weight gain	2019	6
Bictegravir	2018	weight gain	2020	2

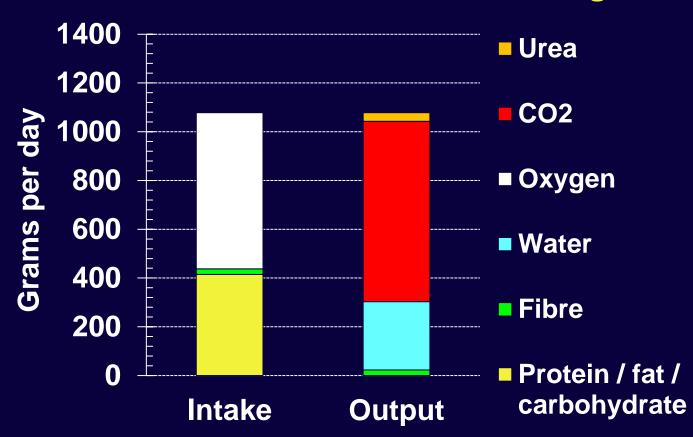
Significance

- Average Australian man: 86 kg, BMI 27.8 kg/m²
- Starts TAF / INSTI, weight gain of
 - 2 kg, so BMI \rightarrow to 28.5 kg/m²
 - 10 kg, so BMI → to 31.0 kg/m²
- BMI increase of 5 kg/m² requires a weight increase of 15.6 kg
- However, remember that
 - 40% of weight-related deaths occur in adults who are not obese
 - so more morbidity is possible with smaller BMI increments



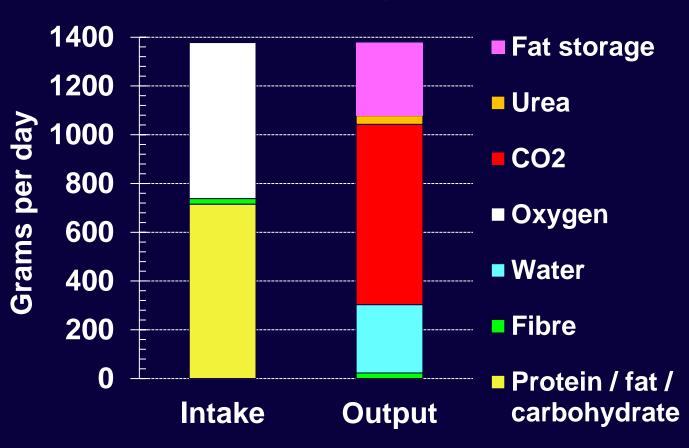
INSTIs, weight gain and CVD Pathogenesis of weight gain

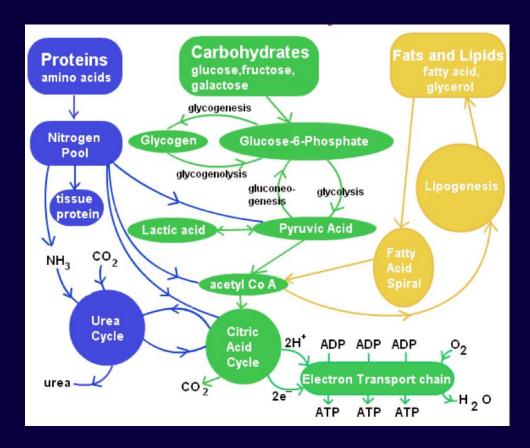
Australians consume ≈ **0.45kg of food a day** (+3 litres of water)



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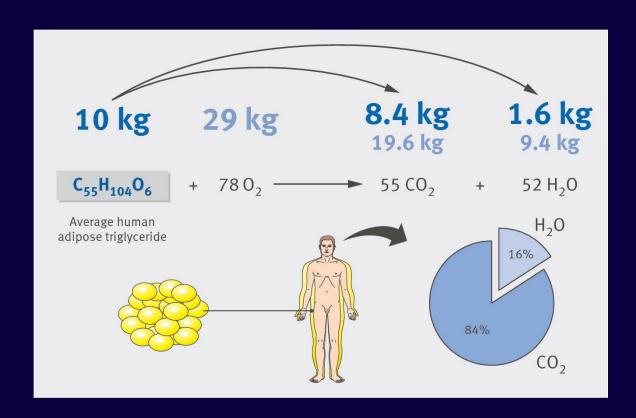
Add an extra 0.3kg of food a day with physical activity unchanged





Interventions for overweight: Calories in, calories out

How do we lose weight?



Definitely

Calorie restriction (dietician)

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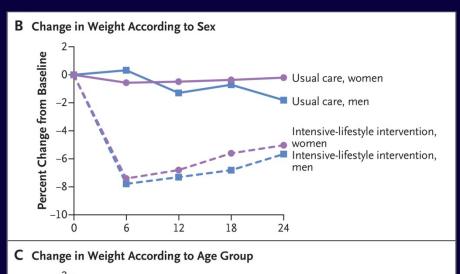
More physical activity

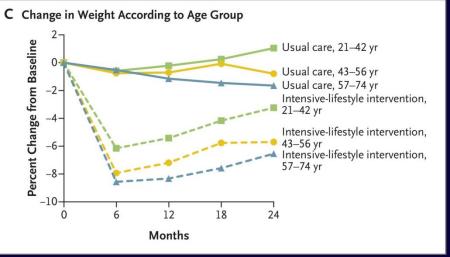
Possibilities

- Switch INSTI / TAF
- (Medication no data)
- (Bariatric surgery cases reports only)

Interventions for overweight: Reduced intake and more exercise

- Reduce energy intake (WHO)
 - total fat <30% of calories</p>
 - free sugars <10% of calories</p>
 - 0.3 kg weight loss at 6 months
- Increase physical activity (WHO)
 - 150 minutes of exercise / week
 - reduce sedentary work
 - change transport
 - more public exercise space
- Specific diets (121 RCTs, n=21,942)
 - mean 4-5 kg at 6 mths, 3 kg at 12 mths
 - declines appear greater than with INSTI switching





Interventions for overweight: Consider other medications

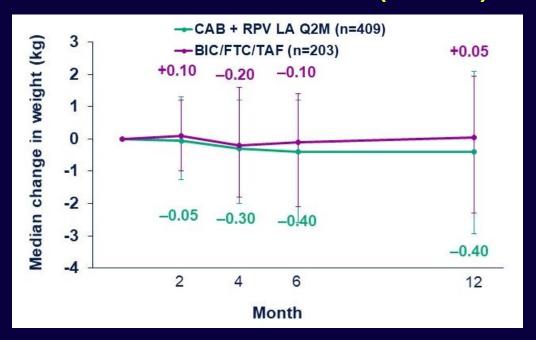
Drug family	Medications Associated with weight gain
Antipsychotic	olanzapine, tioridazine, risperidone, clozapine, quetiapine
Steroids	corticosteroids, progestagens, estrogens
Antidepressant	MAOIs, tricyclics, paroxetine, citalopram, escitalopram, imipramine, mirtazapine
Antidiabetic	insulin, sulfonylureas, glitazones, meglitinides
Mood stabilisers	líthium, carbamazepine, gabapentin, valproate
Antihistamine	ciproheptadine
Antihypertensive	terazosin, propranolol

Interventions for overweight: B/F/TAF switch?

B/F/TAF to DOR/ISL (MK-8591A-018)

- Placebo-controlled RCT
- Changes in weight at Week 48
 - B/F/TAF (n=302) 0.55 kg (SD 4.40)
 - DOR/ISL (n=306) 0.23 kg (SD 4.19)
 - $-\Delta = 0.30$ kg (95% CI -0.99, 0.39); p=0.39

B/F/TAF to CAB+RPV (SOLAR)

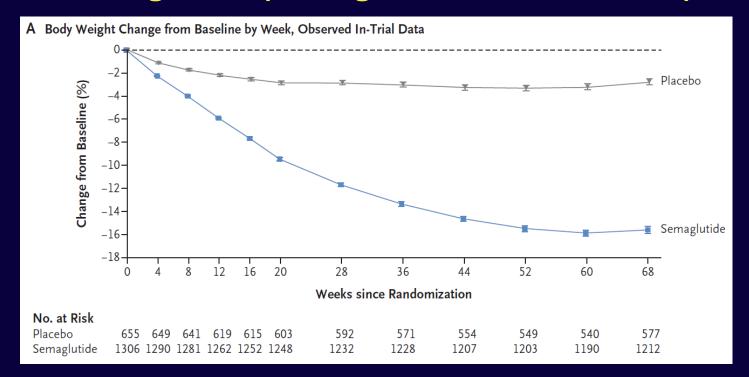


BUT

- most patients were not overweight and had not gained weight on B/F/TAF
- weight loss after pregnancy or after ceasing steroids / antipsychotics is often limited

Interventions for overweight: Weight loss medication?

Semaglutide (2.4 mg once a week subcut)



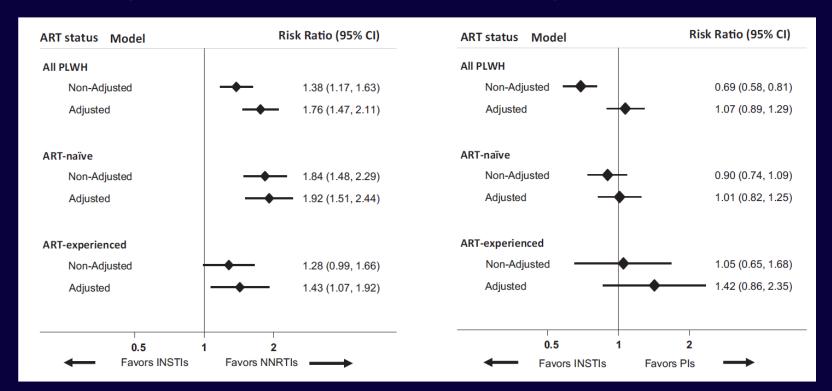
 Ongoing RCT in obese HIV+ adults (although no eligibility requirement for weight gain on ART)

INSTIs, weight gain and CVD INSTIs and Hypertension (RESPOND)

Hypertension developed in 23% (12.6 per 100 patient years)

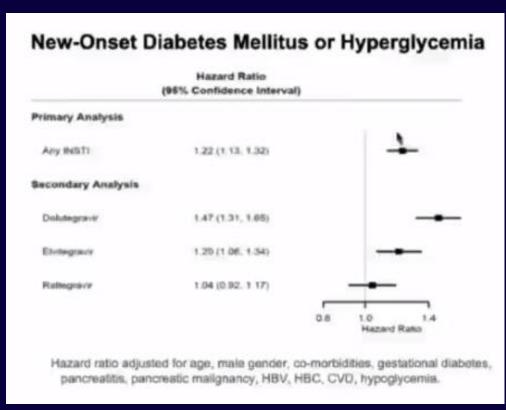
INSTIS VS NNRTIS

INSTIs vs PIs

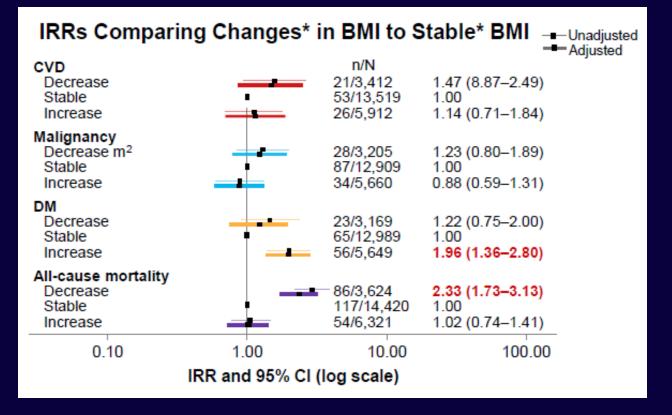


INSTIs, weight gain and CVD INSTIs and Diabetes

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Weight gain, diabetes, CVD and death



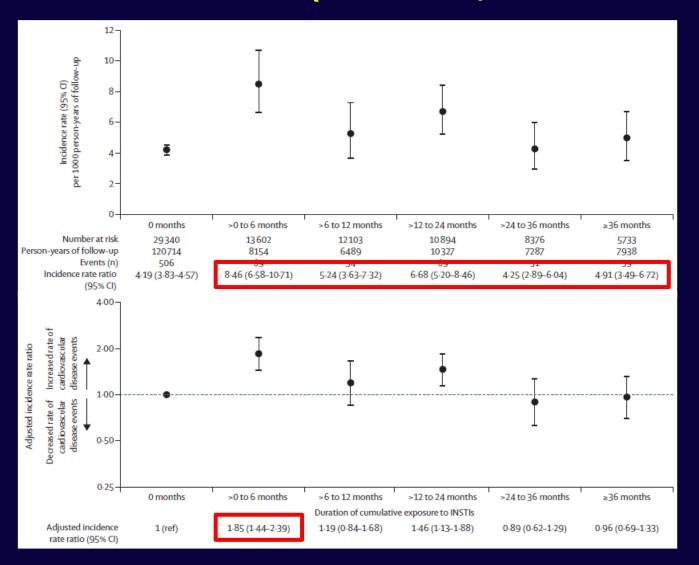
INSTIs, weight gain and CVD INSTIs and NAFLD / progression of fibrosis

- Hepatic steatosis / NAFLD
 - 30.5% of 4798 HIV+ adults
 - higher risk for significant fibrosis (OR 1.91)
 - risk factors
 - diabetes (OR 4.7)
 - -BMI (OR 2.1) But not INSTI (OR 0.8)
- NAFLD associations with hepatic fibrosis
 - prior tNRTI use (OR 75.4)
 - female (OR 7.3)
 - higher BMI (OR 1.4)
 - older age (OR 1.2)

- Liver fibrosis (n=1,183)
 - median 53 yrs, 77% male
 - progression of fibrosis 3.4% / yr

Factor	HR	95% CI	P
Current INSTI	1.47	0.61, 3.52	0.39
Current TAF	0.85	0.39, 1.87	0.68
Current NNRTI	0.83	0.32, 2.18	0.70
Current PI	1.53	0.64, 3.63	0.34
Nadir CD4 < 200	0.56	0.27, 1.17	0.12
Chronic HBV	2.08	0.56, 7.69	0.27
Chronic HCV	1.08	0.45, 2.57	0.87
MAFLD	2.50	1.06, 5.89	0.036
BMI gain > 5%	2.64	1.32, 5.26	0.006

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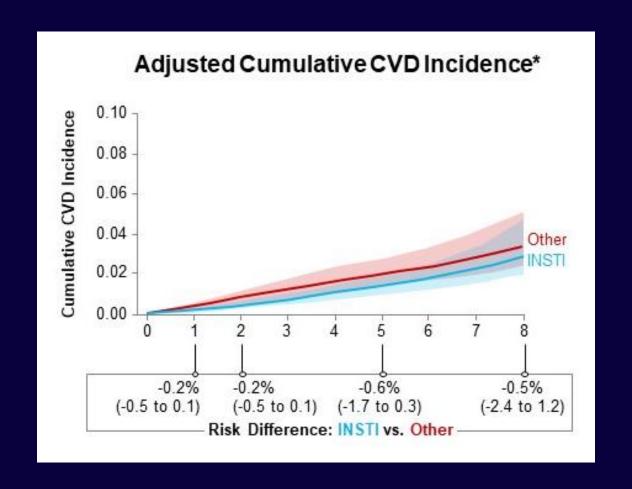


- ART-experienced and ARTnaïve adults starting an INSTI
- Unadjusted analysis: incidence rate ratio for CVD increased over 3 years
- Adjusted analysis: risk increased only over first 6 months
- Reduced risk in adjusted analysis suggests those who received INSTIs may have been at greater CVD risk than average

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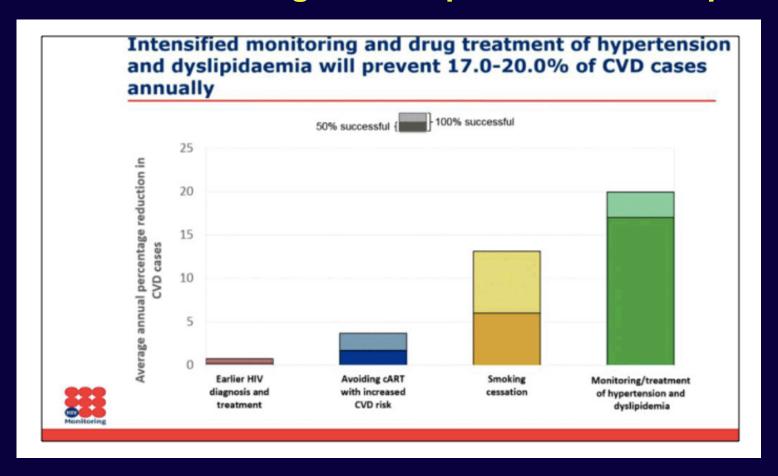
INSTIs and CVD with initial ART (Swiss HIV Cohort Study)

- Risk of AMI or stroke with INSTI (34.3%) or no INSTI (65.7%)
- n = 5,362
 - median age 38 yrs
 - 21% women
 - median follow-up 4.9 yrs
 - big switch to INSTI-ART 2013-16 after change in EACS ART guideline recommendations



INSTIs, weight gain and CVD CVD risk factors: Conventional vs ART

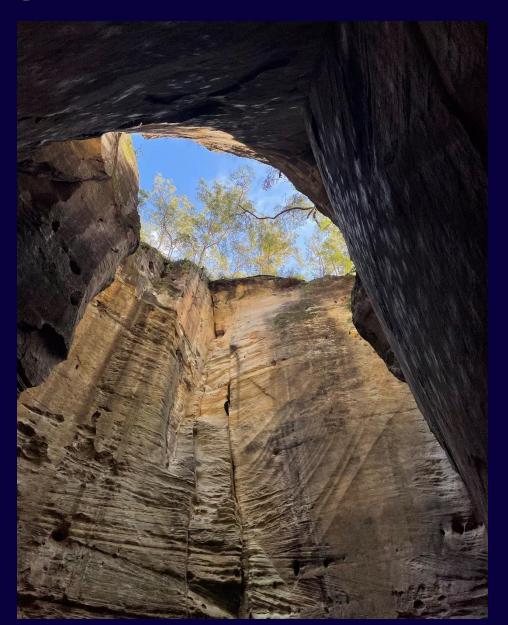
Traditional risk factors had greater impact than ART in pre-INSTI era



INSTIs, weight gain and CVD My perspective



My perspective



Conclusions: Weight gain

- Generally not severe after 2 years, but outliers / subgroups exist
- Likely to cause more NCDs and deaths, even without obesity
- Greater after INSTI initiation than with switching or PrEP, partially reflecting "return-to-health" and / or "return-to-societal norm"
- Inhibited by TDF (vs. placebo, ABC and TAF)
 EFV (vs. RPV and DTG)
- Induced by INSTIs one DTG switch RCT not all INSTIs may cause weight gain
- Induced by TAF? can tenofovir cause fat loss at one plasma concentration (TDF) but fat gain at a lower plasma concentration (TAF)?
- Calorie restriction and exercise vs INSTI switching vs both?

Conclusions: Hypertension, diabetes, hepatic steatosis and CVD

- Cohort data only
- Randomised trials of initial ART with INSTI/TAF vs. non-INSTI/non-TAF (e.g. ISL-DOR) will hopefully be reported later this year
- Traditional interventions to prevent and treat established CVD likely to be more beneficial than INSTI/TAF switching (but doing both might be additive)

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