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The full form of AIDS is acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. Description AIDS can be explained as below, Acquired – Which means that you may become infected with it. Immunodeficiency – Points out the weakness of the immune system in the body. Syndrome – The symptoms of a group that creates disease. What is AIDS? AIDS is a disorder developed by human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) affecting the human immune system. AIDS can develop without symptoms for a long time. The first signs of this disorder can be a short stage of respiratory diseases such as fever, cough and fatigue. When the infection develops, it gradually disrupts the immune system, people suffering from the disease will become too vulnerable and more prone to serious infections such as tuberculosis, tumors, asthma, etc. STD The full form of STDs is sexually transmitted diseases. Description STD is a disorder also called STDs (VD) developed by viruses, bacteria and parasites. STD is a reproductive tract infection and spreads from one person to another through sexual contacts such as vaginal sex, sex and oral sex. AIDS stands for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome:A – Acquired. This condition is acquired, which means that a person becomes infected with it. I – Immuno. HIV affects a person's immune system, the part of the body that fights bacteria such as bacteria or viruses. D - Shortage. The immune system becomes deficient and does not function properly. S - Syndrome. A person with AIDS may experience other diseases and infections due to a weakened immune system. AIDS is the most advanced stage of infection caused by HIV. The names HIV and AIDS can be confusing because both terms describe the same disease. Most people living with HIV do not have AIDS. And most people with HIV will not develop AIDS if they start treatment (with medications called antiretroviral therapy or ART) shortly after becoming infected. A person living with HIV is said to have AIDS when their immune system becomes so weak that it cannot fight certain kinds of infections and cancers, such as PCP (a form of pneumonia), KS (Kaposi sarcoma, a type of cancer that affects the skin and internal organs), wasting syndrome (involuntary weight loss), memory impairment, or tuberculosis. Even without one of these infections, a person living with HIV is diagnosed with AIDS if their immune system weakens, as indicated by the number of CD4 cells. But again, it is important to remember that most people with HIV will not develop AIDS if they begin treatment shortly after becoming infected. AIDS and AIDS redirect here. For other uses, see AIDS (ambiguity). Spectrum of conditions caused by HIV infection HIV / AIDSOther namesHIV disease, HIV infection[1][2]The red ribbon is a symbol of solidarity with HIV-positive people and those living with AIDS. [3] SpecialtyInfectious Disease, ImmunologySymptomsEarly: flu-like disease[4]Later: Large Lymph Nodes fever, weight loss[4]ComplicationsOpportunistic infections, tumors[4]DurationLifelong[4]CausesHuman immunodeficiency virus (HIV)[4]Risk factorsExposure for blood, breast milk, sex[4]Diagnostic methodBlood tests[4]PreventionSafe sex, sex prevention needle exchange, male circumcision, pre-exposure prophylaxis, prophylaxis after exposure[4]TreatmentAntiretroviral treatment[4]PrognosisNear normal life expectancy with treatment[5][6]11 years life expectancy without treatment[7]Frequency1.7 million new cases (2018)[8]37.9 million lives with HIV (2018)[8]Deaths770,000 (2018)[8] Human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) are a spectrum of conditions caused by infection with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). [9] [10] [11] After initial infection a person may not notice any symptoms, or may experience a short period of flu-like illness. [4] Typically, this is followed by a prolonged period of no symptoms. [5] If the infection progresses, it interferes more with the immune system, increasing the risk of developing common infections such as tuberculosis, as well as other opportunistic infections, and tumors that are otherwise rare in people who have normal immune function. [4] These late symptoms of infection are called acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS). [5] This phase is often also associated with accidental weight loss. [5] HIV is spread primarily by unprotected sex (including anal and oral sex), contaminated blood transfusions, hypodermic needles, and from mother to child during pregnancy, childbirth, or breastfeeding. [12] Some bodily fluids, such as saliva, sweat and tears, do not transmit the virus. [13] HIV is a member of the group of viruses known as retroviruses. [14] Methods of prevention include safe sex, needle exchange programs, treatment of those who are infected, and pre-& post-exposure prophylaxis. [4] Disease in a child can often be prevented by giving both mother and child antiretroviral medication. [4] There is no cure or vaccine; however, antiretroviral therapy may delay the course of the disease and can lead to an almost normal life expectancy. [5] [6] Treatment is recommended as soon as the diagnosis is made. [15] Without treatment, the average survival time after infection is 11 years. [7] In 2018, about 37.9 million people lived with HIV, resulting in 770,000 deaths. [8] An estimated 20.6 million of these live in eastern and southern Africa. [16] Between the time AIDS was identified (in the early 1980s) and 2018, the disease caused an estimated 32 million deaths worldwide. [8] HIV/AIDS is considered a pandemic – an outbreak of disease that is present across a large area and is actively spreading. [17] HIV took the leap from other primates to humans in western Central Africa in the early to mid-20th century [18] AIDS was first recognized by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in 1981, and the cause of the cause – HIV infection – was identified in the early part of HIV/AIDS has had a major impact on society, both as a disease and as a source of discrimination. [20] The disease also has major economic consequences. [20] There are many misconceptions about HIV/AIDS, such as the belief that it can be transmitted by random non-sexual contact. [21] The disease has become the subject of many controversies involving religion, including the Catholic Church's position not to support condom use as prevention. [22] It has attracted international medical and political attention as well as large-scale funding since it was identified in the 1980s. [23] Play media Video summary (script) Signs and symptoms Main article: Signs and symptoms of HIV/AIDS. There are three capitals of HIV infection: acute infection, clinical latency, and AIDS. [1] Acute infection Main symptoms of acute HIV infection The initial period after contraction of HIV is called acute HIV, primary HIV or acute retroviral syndrome. [24] [25] Many individuals develop a flu-like illness or mononucleosis-like disease 2–4 weeks after exposure, while others do not have any significant symptoms. [26] [27] Symptoms occur in 40–90% of cases and most often include fever, large tender lymph nodes, sore throat, rash, headache, fatigue, and/or sores in the mouth and genital ulcers. [25] [27] The rash, which occurs in 20–50% of cases, presents itself on the strain and is maculopapular, classical. [28] Some people also develop opportunistic infections at this stage. [25] Gastrointestinal symptoms such as vomiting or diarrhoea may occur. [27] Neurological symptoms of peripheral neuropathy or Guillain-Barré syndrome also occur. [27] The duration of symptoms varies, but is usually one or two weeks. [27] Due to their nonspecific nature, these symptoms are not often recognized as signs of HIV infection. Even cases that are seen by a family doctor or a hospital are often misdiagnosed as one of the many common infectious diseases with overlapping symptoms. Thus, it is recommended that HIV be considered in individuals who present with an unexplained fever that may have risk factors for the infection. [27] Clinical latency The first symptoms are followed by a stage called clinical latency, asymptomatic HIV or chronic HIV. [1] Without treatment, this second phase of the natural history of HIV infection can last from about three years[29] to over 20 years[30] (on average around eight years). [31] While there are typically few or no symptoms at first, near the end of this stage many people experience fever, weight loss, stomach problems and muscle pain. [1] Between 50% and 70% of the population also develop persistent generalized lymphadenopathy, characterized by unexplained, non-painful enlargement of more than one group of lymph nodes (except in the groin) for over three to six months. [24] Although most HIV-1 infected people have a detectable viral load and in the absence of treatment, eventually develop a small proportion (around 5%) maintain high high cd4+ T cells (T-help cells) without antiretroviral therapy for more than five years. [27] [32] These individuals are classified as HIV controllers or long-term non-violators (LTNP). [32] Another group consists of those who maintain a low undetectable viral load without anti-retroviral therapy, known as elite controllers or elite suppressors. They represent about 1 in 300 people infected. [33] Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome Main symptoms of AIDS. Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) is defined as an HIV infection with either a CD4+ T cell count below 200 cells per µL or the incidence of specific diseases associated with HIV infection. [27] In the absence of specific treatment, about half of people infected with HIV develop within ten years. [27] The most common initial conditions that warn of the presence of AIDS are pneumocystis pneumonia (40%), cachexia in the form of HIV wasting syndrome (20%), and esophageal candidiasis.[27] Other common signs include recurrent respiratory infections. [27] Opportunistic infections can be caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites normally controlled by the immune system. [34] Which infections occur depends partly on which organisms are common in the person's environment. [27] These infections can affect almost all organ systems. [35] People with AIDS have an increased risk of developing various virus-induced cancers, including Kaposi's sarcoma, Burkitt's lymphoma, primary central nervous system lymphoma, and cervical cancer. [28] Kaposi's sarcoma is the most common form of cancer, occurring in 10% to 20% of people with HIV. [36] The second most common cancer is lymphoma, which is the cause of death for nearly 16% of people with AIDS and is the first sign of AIDS in 3% to 4%. [36] Both of these cancers are associated with human herpes virus 8 (HENVOLDSV1S-8). [36] Cervical cancer occurs more frequently in people with AIDS due to its association with human papillomavirus (HPV). [36] Conjunctival cancer (of the layer that lines the inner part of the eyelid and the white part of the eye) is also more common in those with HIV. [37] In addition, people with AIDS often have systemic symptoms such as prolonged fever, sweat (especially at night), swollen lymph nodes, chills, weakness and unintended weight loss. [38] Diarrhea is another common symptom, present in about 90% of people with AIDS. [39] They may also be affected by various psychiatric and neurological symptoms independent of opportunistic infections and cancer. [40] Transmission Average per action risk of getting HIVby exposure route to an infected source Exposure route Chance of infection Blood transfusion 90%[41] Birth (to child) 25% [42][clarification needed] Needle-sharing drug use 0.67%[43] Percutaneous needle stick 0.30%[44] Susceptible anal intercourse* 0.04–3.0%[45] Insert thoughtful-vaginal intercourse* 0.05–0.30%[45][47] Insert thoughtful-vaginal intercourse* 8.8–9.04%[45] Insert anal intercourse * 5–50.005% [48] * assuming no condom use § source refers to oral intercourse performed on a man HIV is spread by three main routes: sexual contact, significant exposure to infected bodily fluids or tissues, and from mother to child during pregnancy, birth, or breastfeeding (known as vertical transmission). [12] There is no risk of getting HIV if exposed to feces, nasal drains, saliva, saliva, sweat, tears, urine or vomit, unless they are contaminated with blood. [49] It is also possible to be co-infected with more than one strain of HIV-a condition known as HIV superinfection. [50] Sexual The most common form of transmission of HIV is through sexual contact with an infected person. [12] However, an HIV-positive person who has a measurable viral load as a result of long-term treatment actually has no risk of transmitting HIV sexually. [51] [52] The existence of functionally non-corrosive HIV-positive people on antiretroviral therapy was controversially published in the 2008 Swiss Declaration, and has since been accepted as medical audio. [53] Globally, the most common form of HIV transmission is through sexual contacts between people of the opposite sex. [12] However, the transmission pattern varies from country to country. As of 2017[update], the most HIV transmission in the United States occurred among men who had sex with men (82% of new HIV diagnoses among men aged 13 and older and 70% of total new diagnoses). [54] [55] In the United States, gay and bisexual men aged 13-24 accounted for an estimated 92% of new HIV diagnoses among all men in their age group and 27% of new diagnoses among all gay and bisexual men. [56] About 15% of gay and bisexual men have HIV, while 28% of transgender women test positive in the United States. [56] [57] In the case of unprotected heterosexual contact, estimates of the risk of HIV transmission per sexual act appear to be four to ten times higher in low-income countries than in high-income countries. [58] In low-income countries, the risk of transmission between women and men is estimated at 0.38% per action and for transfers between men and women at 0.30% per action. The corresponding estimates for high-income countries are 0.04% per act for transfers between women and men and 0.08% per action for transfers between men and women. [58] The risk of transmission from anal intercourse is particularly high, estimated at 1.4–1.7% per action in both heterosexual and gay contacts. [58] [59] While the risk of transmission from oral sex is relatively low, it is still present. [60] The risk of receiving oral sex has been described as almost zero. [61] however, a few cases have been reported. [62] The risk per action is estimated at 0-0.04% for susceptible sexual intercourse. [63] In environments involving prostitution in low-income countries, the risk of transmission between women and men has been estimated at 2.4% per action and of transfer between women as 0.05% per action. [58] The risk of transmission increases in the presence of many. Presence, infections[64] and sex wounds. [58] Sex ulcers appear to increase the risk approximately fivefold. [58] Other sexually transmitted infections, such as gonorrhea, chlamydia, trichomoniasis, and bacterial vaginosis, are associated with somewhat minor increases in the risk of transmission. [63] The viral load of an infected person is an important risk factor in both sexual and mother-to-child transmission. [65] During the first 2.5 months of an HIV infection, a person's infection density is twelve times higher due to the high viral load associated with acute HIV. [63] If the person is in the late stages of infection, the number of transfer rates is approximately eightfold. [58] Commercial sex workers (including those in pornography) are more likely to contract HIV. [66] [67] Rough sex may be a factor associated with an increased risk of transmission. [68] Sexual assault is also thought to lead to an increased risk of HIV transmission as condoms are rarely worn, physical trauma to the vagina or rectum is likely and there may be a greater risk of concurrent sexually transmitted infections. [69] Body fluids CDC poster from 1989 highlights the risk of AIDS associated with drug use The second most common form of HIV transmission is via blood and blood products. [12] Bloodborne transmission may be carried out through needle sharing during intravenous drug use, needlestick injury, transfusion of contaminated blood or blood product or medical injections with unsterilized equipment. The threat of sharing a needle during injection of drugs is between 0.63% and 2.4% per action, with an average of 0.8%. [70] The risk of getting HIV from a needle stick from an HIV-infected person is estimated at 0.3% (about 1 in 333) per action, and the risk of exposure to infected blood in the mucous membrane is estimated at 0.09% (approximately 1 in 1000) per action. [49] This risk can, however, be up to 5% if the imported blood was from someone with a high viral load and the incision was deep. [71] In the United States, injecting drug users account for 12% of all new cases of HIV in 2009 [72] and in some areas more than 80% of people injecting drugs are HIV positive. [12] HIV is transmitted in about 90% of blood transfusions using infected blood. [41] In developed countries, the risk of getting HIV from a blood transfusion is extremely low (less than one in half a million), with better donor selection and HIV screening. [12] For example, [74] In low-income countries, only half of transfusions can be adequately screened (as of 2008).[75] and it is estimated that up to 15% of HIV infections in these areas come from transfusion of infected and blood products , which equates to between 5% and 10% of global infections. [12] [76] It is possible to acquire HIV from organ and tissue transplantation, although this is rare due to screening. [77] Unsafe medical injections role in HIV spread in sub-Saharan Africa. In 2007, between 12% and 17% of infections in this region were attributed to medical use of syringes. [78] The World Health Organisation estimates the risk of transmission from a medical injection in Africa at 1.2%. [78] Risks are also associated with invasive procedures, assisted delivery and dentistry in this area of the world. [78] Individuals who give or receive tattoos, piercings and scarification are theoretically at risk of infection, but no confirmed cases have been documented. [79] It is not possible for mosquitoes or other insects to transmit HIV. [80] Mother-to-child Main article: HIV and pregnancy and HIV and lactation HIV can be transmitted from mother to child during pregnancy, during pregnancy, or through breast milk, resulting in the child also contracting HIV. [81] [12] As of 2008, vertical transmission accounted for approximately 90% of cases of HIV in children. [82] In the absence of treatment, the risk of transmission before or during childbirth is about 20%, and in those who also breastfed 35%. [82] Treatment reduces this risk to less than 5%. [83] Antiretrovirals when taken by either the mother or child reduce the risk of transmission in those who are not breastfeeding. [84] If blood contaminates food during pre-chewing it may pose a risk of transmission. [79] If a woman is untreated, two years of breastfeeding results in an HIV/AIDS risk in her child of about 17%. [85] Due to the increased risk of non-laced deaths in many areas of developing countries, the World Health Organization recommends either exclusive breastfeeding or the provision of safe formula. [85] All women known to be HIV positive should take lifelong antiretroviral therapy. [85] Virology Main article: HIV Diagram of an HIV virion structure Scanning electron micrograph of HIV-1, colored green, emerging from a cultured lymphocyte. HIV is the cause of the spectrum of disease known as HIV/AIDS. HIV is a retrovirus that primarily infects components of the human immune system such as CD4+ T cells, macrophages and dendritic cells. It directly and indirectly destroys CD4+ T cells. [86] HIV is a member of the genus Lentivirus,[87] part of the Retroviridae family. [88] Lentivirus has many morphological and biological properties. Many species of mammals are infected with lentivirus, which are characteristically responsible for long-term diseases with a long incubation period. [89] Lentivirus is transmitted as single-stranded, positive and imagnitable RNA viruses. Upon entry into the target cell, the viral RNA genome (inverted transcribed) is converted into double-stranded DNA by a virally encoded reverse transcription carried along with the viral genome of the viral particle. The resulting viral DNA is then imported into the cell nucleus and integrated into cellular DNA by a virally encoded integrase and host co-factors. [90] Once integrated, the virus can become latent, allowing the virus and its to avoid detection by the immune system. [91] Alternatively, the virus can be transcribed and produce new RNA genomes and viral proteins that are packaged and released from the cell as new virus particles that begin the replication cycle anew. [92] HIV is now known to spread between CD4+ T cells with two parallel routes: cell-free spread and cell-to-cell proliferation, i.e. [93] In the cell-free spread, viral particles bud from an infected T cell, enter blood/extracellular fluid and then infect another T-cell after a chance encounter. [93] HIV can also be spread by direct transmission from one cell to another by a process of cell-to-cell proliferation. [94] [95] The hybrid spread mechanisms for HIV contribute to the virus's ongoing replication against antiretroviral treatments. [93] [96] Two types of HIV have been characterized: HIV-1 and HIV-2. HIV-1 is the virus that was originally detected (and originally also referred to as LAV or HTLV-III). It is more malignant, more infectious,[97] and is the cause of most HIV infections globally. The lower infectivity of HIV-2 compared to HIV-1 implies that fewer people exposed to HIV-2 will be infected per exposure. Due to its relatively low infectivity, HIV-2 is largely confined to West Africa. [98] Pathophysiology Main article: Pathophysiology of HIV/AIDS explained in a simple way HIV replication cycle After the virus enters the body there is a period of rapid viral replication, leading to an abundance of viruses in the peripheral blood. During primary infection, levels of HIV can reach several million virus particles per milliliter of blood. [99] This response is accompanied by a significant decrease in the number of circulating CD4+ T cells. The acute viremia is almost always associated with activation of CD8+ T cells, which kill HIV-infected cells, and subsequently with antibody production, or seroconversion. The CD8+ T cell response is thought to be important in controlling virus levels which peak and then decrease, as cd4+ T cell counts recover. A good CD8+ T cell response has been associated with slower disease progression and a better prognosis, although it does not remove the virus. [100] Ultimately, HIV causes AIDS by breaking down CD4+ T cells. This weakens the immune system and allows opportunistic infections. T-cells are essential for immune response and without them, the body cannot fight infections or kill cancer cells. The mechanism of CD4+ T cell thinning differs in the acute and chronic phases. [101] In the acute phase, HIV-induced cell lysis and the killing of infected cells of CD8+ T cells account for CD4+ T cell thinning, although apoptosis may also be a factor. In the chronic phase, the consequences of generalized immune activation combined with the gradual loss of the immune system's ability to generate new T cells seem to account for the slow decline in CD4+ T cell numbers. [102] Although immunodeficiency characteristic of AIDS does not appear for years after a person is infected, the majority of CD4+ T cell loss occurs during the first weeks of infection, especially in the intestinal mucosa, which houses the majority of lymphocytes found in the body. [103] The reason for the preferential loss of mucosal CD4+ T cells is that the majority of mucosal CD4+ T cells express the CCR5 protein that HIV uses as a co-receptor to access the cells, while only a small fraction of CD4+ T cells in the bloodstream do so. [104] A specific genetic change that alters the CCR5 protein when found in both chromosomes very effectively prevents HIV-1 infection. [105] HIV seeks out and destroys CCR5 expressing CD4+ T cells during acute infection. [106] A strong immune response ultimately controls the infection and initiates the clinically latent phase. CD4+ T cells in mucous tissue remain particularly affected. [106] Continuous HIV replication causes a state of generalized immunoinactivation that persists throughout the chronic phase. [107] Immune activation, which is reflected by the increased activation state of immune cells and the release of pro-inflammatory cytokines, is due to the activity of several HIV gene products and the immune response to ongoing HIV replication. It is also associated with the breakdown of the immune system of gastrointestinal mucosal barrier caused by thinning of mucous CD4+ T cells in the acute phase of the disease. [108] Diagnosis Main article: Diagnosis of HIV/AIDS A generalized graph of the relationship between HIV copies (viral load) and CD4+ T cell counts above the average course of untreated HIV infection. CD4+ T Lymphocyte count (cells/mm³) HIV RNA copies per ml of plasma Days after exposure is necessary for, the test is accurate[109] Blood test days Antibody test (rapid test, ELISA 3, gene) 23-90 Antibody and P24 antigen tests (ELISA 4, gene) 18-45 PCR 10-33 HIV/AIDS are diagnosed through laboratory studies and then staged based on the presence of certain signs or symptoms. [128] HIV screening is recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force for all people ages 15 years to 65 years, including all pregnant women. [110] In addition, testing is recommended for people at high risk, which includes anyone diagnosed with a sexually transmitted disease. [28] [110] In many areas of the world, a third of HIV carriers only discover that they are infected at an advanced stage of the disease when AIDS or severe immunodeficiency has become apparent. [28] HIV testing HIV testing administered Orally Most people infected with HIV develop specific antibodies (i.e. seroconvert) within three to twelve weeks of the first infection. [127] Diagnosis of primary HIV before seroconversion is done by measuring HIV-RNA or P24 antigen. [27] Positive results obtained from antibody or PCR tests are confirmed either by another antibody or by PCR. [25] Antibody tests in children under 18 months of age are inaccurate due to the continued presence of antibodies. [111] HIV infection can only be diagnosed by PCR tests for HIV RNA or DNA or by testing for the p24 antigen. [25] Much of the world lacks access to reliable PCR testing, and people in many places simply wait until either the symptoms develop or the child is old enough for accurate antibody testing. [111] In sub-Saharan Africa between 2007 and 2009, between 30% and 70% of the population were aware of their HIV status. [112] In 2009, between 3.6% and 42% of men and women in sub-Saharan Africa were tested. [112] this represented a significant increase on previous years. [112] Classifications Two main clinical staging systems are used to classify HIV- and HIV-related diseases for surveillance purposes: the WHO HIV infection and disease resuming system,[25] and the CDC classification system for HIV infection. [113] The CDC classification system is more often adopted in developed countries. As the WHO staging system does not require laboratory testing, it is suitable for the resource-constrained conditions that arise in developing countries, where it can also be used to guide clinical management. Despite their differences, the two systems make it possible to compare them for statistical purposes. [24] [25] [113] The World Health Organisation first proposed a definition of AIDS in 1985. [25] Since then, the WHO classification has been updated an expanded several times. [25] The WHO system uses the following categories: Primary HIV infection. May either be asymptomatic or associated with acute retroviral syndrome[25] Phase I: HIV infection is asymptomatic with a CD4+ T cell count (also known as CD4 number) greater than 500 per microliter (µl) or cubic mm of blood. [25] May include generalized lymph node enlargement. [25] Phase II: Mild symptoms, which may include minor mucokutane manifestations and recurrent upper respiratory tract infections. A CD4 number of less than 500/[25] Step III: Advanced symptoms, which may include unexplained chronic diarrhea for longer than a month, serious bacterial infections, including tuberculosis in the lungs, and a CD4 count of less than 350/[µl][25] Stage IV or AIDS: severe symptoms that include toxoplasmosis in the brain, candidiasis of the esophagus, trachea, bronchi, or lungs, and Kaposi's sarcoma. A CD4 count of less than 200/[µl][25] The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also established a HIV classification system and updated it in 2008 and 2014. [113] [114] This system classifies HIV infections based on CD4 numbers and clinical symptoms and describes the infection in five groups. [114] In these over six years it is [114] Phase 0: the time between a negative or indefinite HIV test followed less than 180 days of a positive test. Phase 1: CD4 counts ≥ 500 cells/µl and no AIDS-defining conditions. Phase 2: CD4 counts 200 to 500 and no one Conditions. Phase 3: CD4 counts ≤ 200 cells/µl or AIDS-defining conditions. Unknown: if there is insufficient information to make any of the above classifications. For monitoring purposes, aids diagnosis is still available, although the CD4+ T cell count after treatment increases to over 200 per µL of blood or other AIDS-defining diseases. [24] Prevention Main article: Prevention of HIV/AIDS Clinic, McLeod Ganj, Himachal Pradesh, India, 2010 Sexual Contact People wearing AIDS awareness signs. left: Facing AIDS one condom and one pill at a time; right: I'm facing AIDS because people I w are infected. Consistent condom use reduces the risk of HIV transmission by approximately 80% in the long term. [115] When condoms are used consistently by a couple where a person is infected, the rate of HIV infection is less than 1% per year. [116] There is evidence that female condoms may provide an equivalent level of protection. [117] Using a vaginal gel containing tenofovir (an inverted transcription inhibitor) immediately before sex appears to reduce the infection rate by about 40% among African women. [118] By contrast, the use of nonoxonyl-9 spermicide may increase the risk of transmission due to its tendency to cause vaginal and rectal irritation. [119] Circumcision in sub-Saharan Africa reduces the acquisition of HIV by heterosexual men by between 38% and 66% over 24 months. [120] Because of these studies, both the World Health Organization and UNAIDS recommended male circumcision in 2007 as a method of preventing female-to-male HIV transmission in areas with high HIV rates. [121] However, it is undisputed whether it protects against transmission from man to woman.[122][123] and whether it is beneficial in developed countries and among men who have sex with men without agreement. [124] [125] [126] However, the International Antiviral Society recommends it for all sexually active heterosexual men and that it should be discussed as an option with men who have sex with men. [127] Some experts fear that a lower perception of vulnerability among circumcised men may cause more sexual risk-taking behavior, and thus negating its preventive effects. [128] Programmes that encourage sexual abstinence do not appear to affect the subsequent HIV risk. [129] Proof of any benefit of peer training is just as bad. [130] Comprehensive sex education in school can reduce high-risk behaviour. [131] [132] A significant minority of young people continue to engage in high-risk practices, even though they know about HIV/AIDS, and underestimate their own risk of being infected with HIV. [133] Voluntary advice and testing of HIV does not affect risky behaviour in those who test negatively, but increases condom use in those who test positively. [134] Improved family planning services appear to increase the likelihood of women with HIV using contraception compared to basic services. [135] It is known on the treatment of other infections are effective in preventing HIV. [64] Antiretroviral treatment before exposure among people infected with HIV, whose CD4 numbers ≤ 550 cells/µL, is a very effective way to prevent HIV infection in their partner (a strategy known as prevention or TASP). [136] TASP is associated with a 10- to 20-fold increase in transmission risk. [136] [137] Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) with a daily dose of medication tenofovir, with or without emtricitabine, is effective in people at high risk, including men who have sex with men, couples who are HIV positive, and young heterosexuals in Africa. [118] [138] It may also be effective in injecting drug users, with an study finding a decrease in risk of 0.7 to 0.4 per 100 person years. [139] In 2019, the USPSTF recommended PrEP in those at high risk. [140] Universal health measures are thought to be effective in reducing the risk of HIV. [141] Injecting drug use is an important risk factor, and harm reduction strategies such as needle exchange programmes and opioid substitution treatment seem effective in reducing this risk. [142] [143] After exposure A course of antiretroviral drugs administered within 48 to 72 hours of exposure to HIV-positive blood or sex saffer is referred to as post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP). [144] The use of the individual drug zidovudine reduces the risk of an HIV infection five times after a needlestick injury. [144] As of 2013[update], the prevention regimen recommended in the United States consists of three medications-tenofovir, emtricitabine and raltegravir-as this can reduce the risk further. [145] PEP treatment is recommended after a sexual assault when the perpetrator is known to be HIV positive, but is controversial when their HIV status is unknown. [146] The duration of treatent is usually four weeks.[147] and is often associated with adverse reactions – using zidovudine results in approximately 70% of cases of side effects such as nausea (24%), fatigue (22%), emotional distress (13%) headache (9%).[49] Mother-to-child Main article: HIV and pregnancy Programs to prevent vertical transmission of HIV (from mothers to children) can reduce transmission by 92–99%. [82] [142] This involves primarily the use of a combination of antiviral medications during pregnancy and after birth in the infant, and potentially includes bottle feeding rather than breastfeeding. [82] [148] If replacement feeding is acceptable, feasible, affordable, sustainable and safe, mothers should avoid breast-feeding their infants; however, excluding breastfeeding is recommended in the first months of life, if this is not the case. [149] If exclusive lactation is performed, the delivery of extended antiretroviral prophylaxis to the infant reduces the risk of transmission. [150] In 2015, Cuba became the first country in the world to eradicate the transmission of HIV from mother to child. [151] Vaccination Main article: HIV vaccine there is no approved vaccine against HIV or AIDS. [6] The most effective vaccine trial to date, RV 144, was published in 2009; it found a partial reduction in the risk of transmission of around 30%, which stimulated some hope in the scientific community to develop a truly effective vaccine. [152] Further trials of the RV 144 vaccine are ongoing. [153] [154] Treatment Main article: Managing HIV/AIDS There is currently no cure, or an effective HIV vaccine. Treatment consists of very active antiretroviral therapy (HAART), which delays the development of the disease. [155] As of 2010[update] more than 6.6 million people received this in low- and middle-income countries. [156] Treatment also includes preventive and active treatment of opportunistic infections. As of March 2020[update], two people have been cleared of HIV. [157] Rapid initiation of antiretroviral therapy within one week of diagnosis appears to improve treatment outcomes in low- and middle-income environments. [158] Antiviral therapy Stribild – a common one daily ART regimen consisting of elvitegravir, emtricitabine, tenofovir and booster coartem Current HAART options are combinations (or cocktails) consisting of at least three drugs belonging to at least two types, or classes, of antiretroviro agents. [159] Initially, the treatment is typically a non-nucleo-inverted transcription inhibitor (NNRTI) plus two nucleoid analog reverse transcription inhibitors (NRTIs). [160] Typical NRTIs include: zidovudine (AZT) or tenofovir (TDF) and lamivudine (3TC) or emtricitabine (FTC). [160] As of 2019, dolutegravir/lamivudine/tenofovir has been listed by the World Health Organisation as a first-line treatment for adults with tenofovir/lamivudine/efavirenz as an alternative. [161] Combinations of agents including protease inhibitors (PI) are used if the above regimen loses effectiveness. [159] The World Health Organization and the United States recommend antiretroviral drugs in people of all ages (including pregnant women) as soon as the diagnosis is made, regardless of CD4 count. [159] [127] [162] Once treatment has begun, it is recommended that it be continued without breaks or holidays. [28] Many people are diagnosed only after treatment ideally should have begun. [28] The desired result of treatment is a long-term HIV-RNA number for plasma below 50 copies/ml. [28] Levels to determine whether treatment is effective is recommended initially after four weeks, and when the level drops below 50 copies/ml of control every three to six months is typically sufficient. [28] Insufficient controls are considered to be greater than 400 copies/ml. [28] Based on these criteria, treatment is effective in more than 95 % of the population during the first year. [28] The benefits of treatment include a reduced risk of progression to AIDS and a reduced risk of death. [163] In developing countries, treatment also improves physical and Health. [164] Treatment has a 70% reduced risk of developing tuberculosis. [159] Additional benefits benefits reduced risk of transmission of the disease to sexual partners and a decrease in transmission from mother to child. [159] [165] The effectiveness of treatment depends to a large extent on compliance. [28] The reasons for non-compliance with treatment include poor access to medical care,[166] inadequate social support, mental illness and substance abuse. [167] The complexity of treatment regimens (due to pill numbers and dosing frequency) and side effects can reduce compliance. [168] Although costs are a major problem with some medications,[169] 47% of those who needed them took them in low- and middle-income countries from 2010 [update].[156] and the rate of compliance is the same in low- and high-income countries. [170] Specific side effects are related to the antiretroviral drug taken. [171] Some relatively common side effects include: lipodystrophy syndrome, dyslipidemia, and diabetes mellitus, especially with protease inhibitors. [24] Other common symptoms include diarrhoea.[171][172] and an increased risk of cardiovascular disease. [173] Newer recommended treatments are associated with fewer side effects. [28] Certain medications may be associated with birth defects and may therefore be unsuitable for women hoping to have children. [28] The treatment recommendations for children are somewhat different from those for adults. The World Health Organisation recommends that all children under the age of five be treated, children over five are treated as adults. [174] U.S. guidelines recommend treating all children under the age of 12 months, and all children with HIV RNA count more than 100,000 copies/ml between a year and five years. [175] The European Medicines Agency (EMA) has recommended that marketing authorisations be granted for two new antiretroviral drugs(ARV), rilpivirine (Rekambys) and cabotegravir (Vocabria) to be used together to treat people with human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1). [176] The two medicines are the first ARVs to come in a long-acting injectable formulation. [176] This means that instead of daily pills, people receive intramuscular injections monthly or every two months. [176] The combination of Rekambys and Vocabria injection is intended for maintenance treatment of adults, who have measurable HIV levels in the blood (viral load less than 50 copies/ml) with their current ARV treatment and when the virus has not developed resistance to certain categories of anti-HIV drugs called non-nucleoside reverse transcription inhibitors (NNRTIs) and integrase beach transfer inhibitors (NI). [176] Opportunistic infections Measures to prevent opportunistic infections are effective in many people with HIV/AIDS. In addition to improving the current disease, treatment with antiretroviral drugs reduces the risk of developing additional opportunistic infections. [171] Adults and adolescents living with HIV (even in antiretroviral therapy) with no signs of active tuberculosis in with high tuberculosis burden should receive isoniazid preventive treatment (IPT); tuberculin skin test can be used to determine if IPT is needed. [177] Vaccination against hepatitis A and B is advised for all people at risk of HIV before becoming infected; however, it can also be given after infection. [178] Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazoleprophylaxis between four and six weeks and cessation of breastfeeding of babies born to HIV-positive mothers is recommended in resource-limited settings. [179] It is also recommended to prevent PCP when a person's CD4 number is less than 200 cells/µL, and in those who have or have previously had PCP. [180] People with significant immunosuppression are also advised to receive prophylactic treatment for toxoplasmosis and MAC. [181] Appropriate preventive measures reduced the number of these infections by 50% between 1992 and 1997. [182] Influenza vaccination and pneumococcal polysaccharid vaccine in those who often or have recommended for people with HIV/AIDS with some signs of benefit. [183] [184] Diet Main article: Nutrition and HIV/AIDS The World Health Organization (WHO) has issued recommendations regarding nutrient requirements in HIV/AIDS. [185] A generally healthy diet is promoted. Intake of micronutrients at RDA levels from HIV-infected adults is recommended by the WHO. higher intake of vitamin A, zinc and iron can cause adverse effects in HIV-positive adults and is not recommended unless there is a proven deficiency. [185] [186] [187] [188] Dietary supplements for people infected with HIV who have inadequate nutrition or dietary deficiencies can strengthen their immune systems or help them recover from infections; however, evidence of an overall benefit of morbidity or mortality is not consistent. [189] Evidence of selenium subsidies is mixed with some preliminary evidence of benefit. [190] For pregnant and nursing women with HIV, the multivitamin supplement improves outcomes for both mothers and children. [191] If the pregnant or nursing mother has been advised to take antiretroviral drugs to prevent the transmission of HIV from mother to child, multivitamin supplements should not replace these treatments. [191] There is some evidence that vitamin A supplementation in children with an HIV infection reduces mortality and improves growth. [192] Alternative medicine In the United States, approximately 60% of people infected with HIV use various complementary or alternative medicines.[193] the effectiveness of which has not been established. [194] There is insufficient evidence to support the use of herbal medicinal products. [195] There is insufficient evidence to recommend or support the use of medical cannabis to try to increase appetite or weight gain. [196] Prognostical deaths from HIV/AIDS per Million people in 2012 1 4–5 5–12 13–34 35–61 62–134 135– 215 216–458 459–1,402 1,403–5,828 HIV/AIDS has become a chronic rather than acute fatal disease in many areas of the world. [197] The forecast varies between and both the CD4 count and the virus load are useful for predicted results. [27] Without treatment, the average survival time after infection with HIV is estimated to be 9 to 11 years, depending on the HIV subtype. [7] After diagnosis of AIDS, if treatment is not available, survival varies between 6 and 19 months. [198] [199] HAART and appropriate prevention of opportunistic infections reduce mortality by 80% and increase the life expectancy of a newly diagnosed young adult to 20–50 years. [197] [200] [201] This is between two thirds[200] and almost the general population. [28] [202] If treatment is started late in the infection, prognosis is not as good.[28] for example, if treatment has begun after diagnosis of AIDS, the life expectancy is –10–40 years. [28] [197] Half of babies born with HIV die before two years without treatment. [179] Disability-adjusted years of LIFE for HIV and AIDS per 100,000 inhabitants as of 2004. no data ≤ 10 10–25 25–50 50–100 100–500 1000–1,000 2,500 2,500–5,000 5,000 5,000–10,000 10,000–50,000 ≥ 50,000 The primary causes of death from HIV/AIDS are opportunistic infections and cancer, both of which are often the result of the gradual failure of the immune system. [182] [203] The risk of cancer appears to increase when the CD4 count is below 500/µL. [28] The number of clinical disease progression varies widely between individuals and has been shown to be influenced by a number of factors such as a person's susceptibility and immune function; [204] their access to health care, the presence of co-infections; [198] [205] and the strain (or strains) in question. [206] [207] Tuberculosis co-infection is one of the leading causes of disease and death in those with HIV/AIDS is present in a third of all HIV-infected people and causes 25% of HIV-related deaths. [208] HIV is also one of the main risk factors for tuberculosis. [197] Hepatitis C is another very common co-infection in which each disease increases the development of the other. [210] The two most common cancers associated with HIV/AIDS are Kaposi's sarcoma and AIDS-related non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. [203] Other cancers that are more frequent include anal cancer, Burkitt's lymphoma, primary central nervous system lymphoma, and cervical cancer. [28] [211] Even with antiretroviral therapy, HIV sufferers can experience neurocognitive disorders in the long term.[212] osteoporosis,[213] neuropathy,[214] cancers,[215][216] nephropathy,[217] and cardiovascular disease. [172] Some conditions, such as lipodystrophy, can be caused by both HIV and its treatment. [172] Epidemiology Main article: Epidemiology of HIV/AIDS ► View or edit source data. Percentage of people with HIV/AIDS. [218] Trends in new cases and deaths per year from HIV/AIDS[218] HIV/AIDS are a global pandemic. [219] As of 2016[update] about 36.7 million people worldwide have HIV, the number of new infections that year is about 1.8 million. [220] This is down from [221] Just over half of the infected population is women and 2.1 million are children. [220] This resulted in around 1 million deaths in

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