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Panel Discussion

Innovative Measures of Adherence: New Thinking, New Approaches

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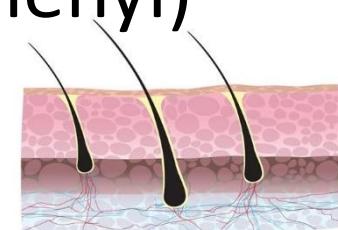
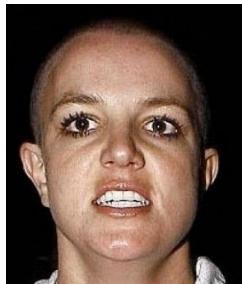
Outline of talk

- Why hair?
- Hair levels of ARVs
 - Treatment
 - PrEP
 - Monitor toxicity
- Pros and cons



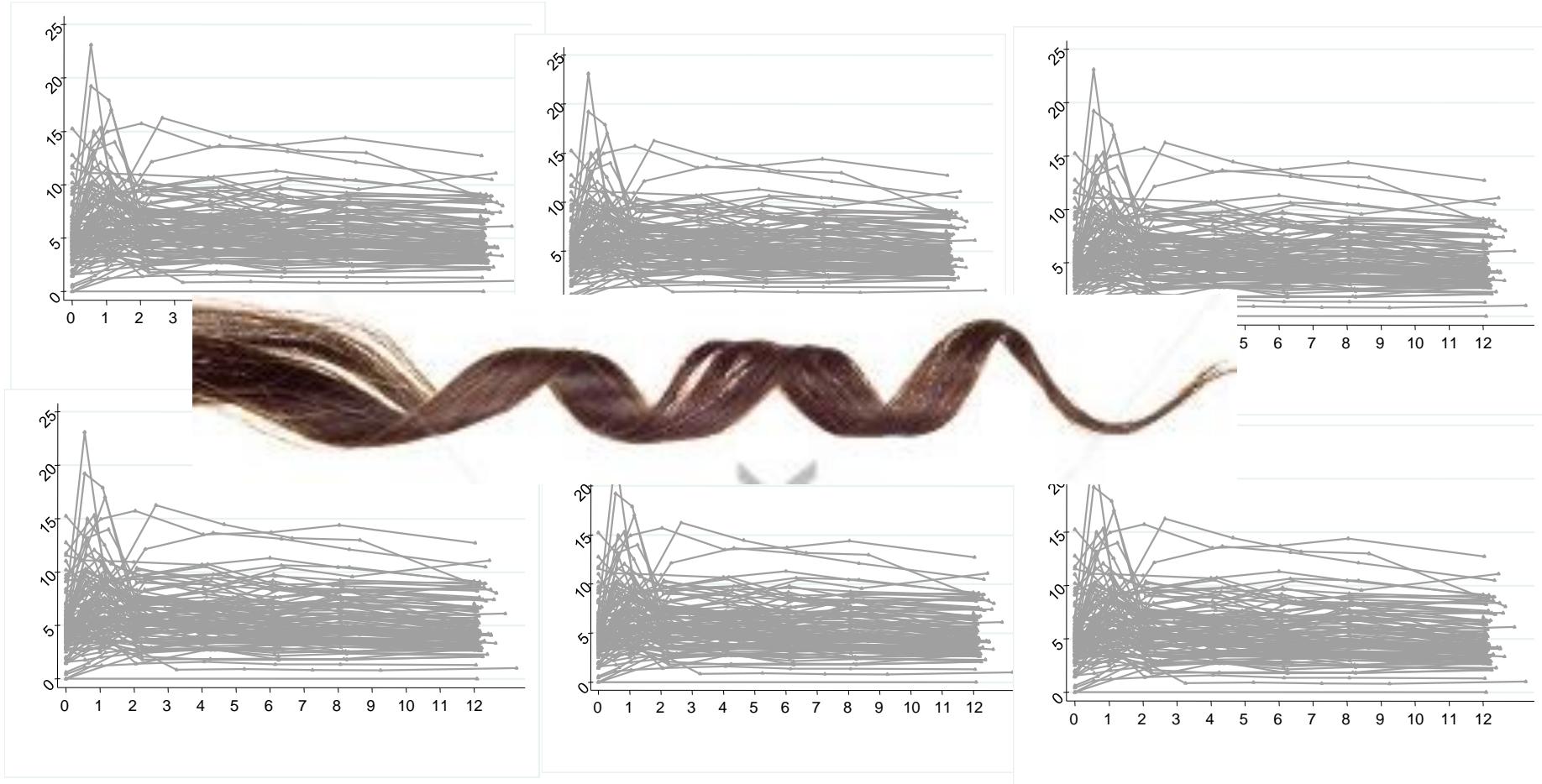
Hair it is! The precedent

- Substance use
- Forensic analysis
 - Lead poisoning (Beethoven)
 - Arsenic (Napoleon)
 - Thallium, mercury, antimony (Newton)
- Epilepsy and antipsychotic medications
- Organochlorine pollutants (DDT and biphenyl)
- Stress – cortisol levels



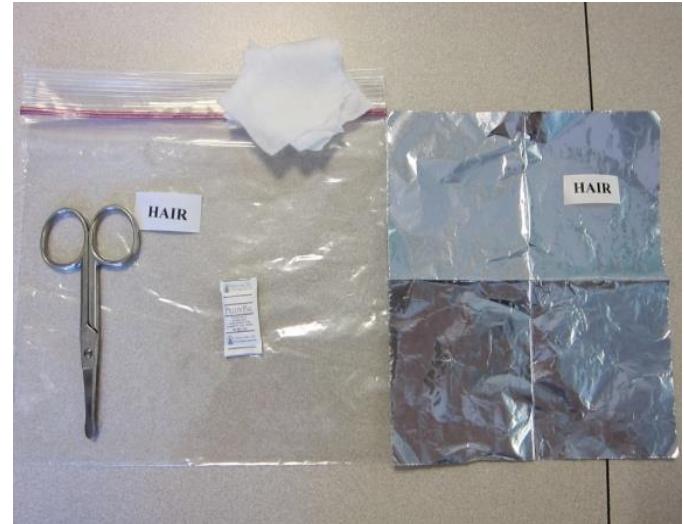
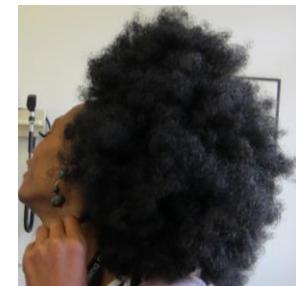
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Hair measures cumulative exposure: AUC of AUCs

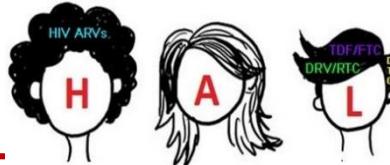


Easy six step process to collect

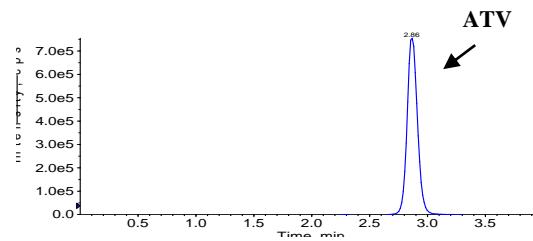
- Takes about 2 minutes of time
- Tiny snip of hair cut from back of the head, cheap materials
- Painless – no need for blood draw (children)



Development of hair assays



- UCSF Hair Analytical Laboratory (HAL)
- Shaved heads of patients on different ARVs, suppressed, adherent
- Large quantities –assay optimization
 - Finely chop (pulverization)
 - Organic solvent and then extraction
 - Injection into liquid chromatography/tandem mass-spectrometry
 - 10-20 strands required for most (50-100 for TFV); only 1 strand for nevirapine
 - Good linearity ($R^2 > 0.99$), reproducibility (CV <15%); working with DAIDS-supported CPQA



Give Your Hair for Science

Antiretrovirals we can measure in hair



Efavirenz



Atazanavir



Nevirapine



Lopinavir



Ritonavir



Darunavir



Raltegravir



Dolutegravir

In development: cabotegravir, dapivirine



Tenofovir (in both TDF, TAF) and
Emtricitabine

20-30 strands

Ritonavir

Darunavir

Raltegravir

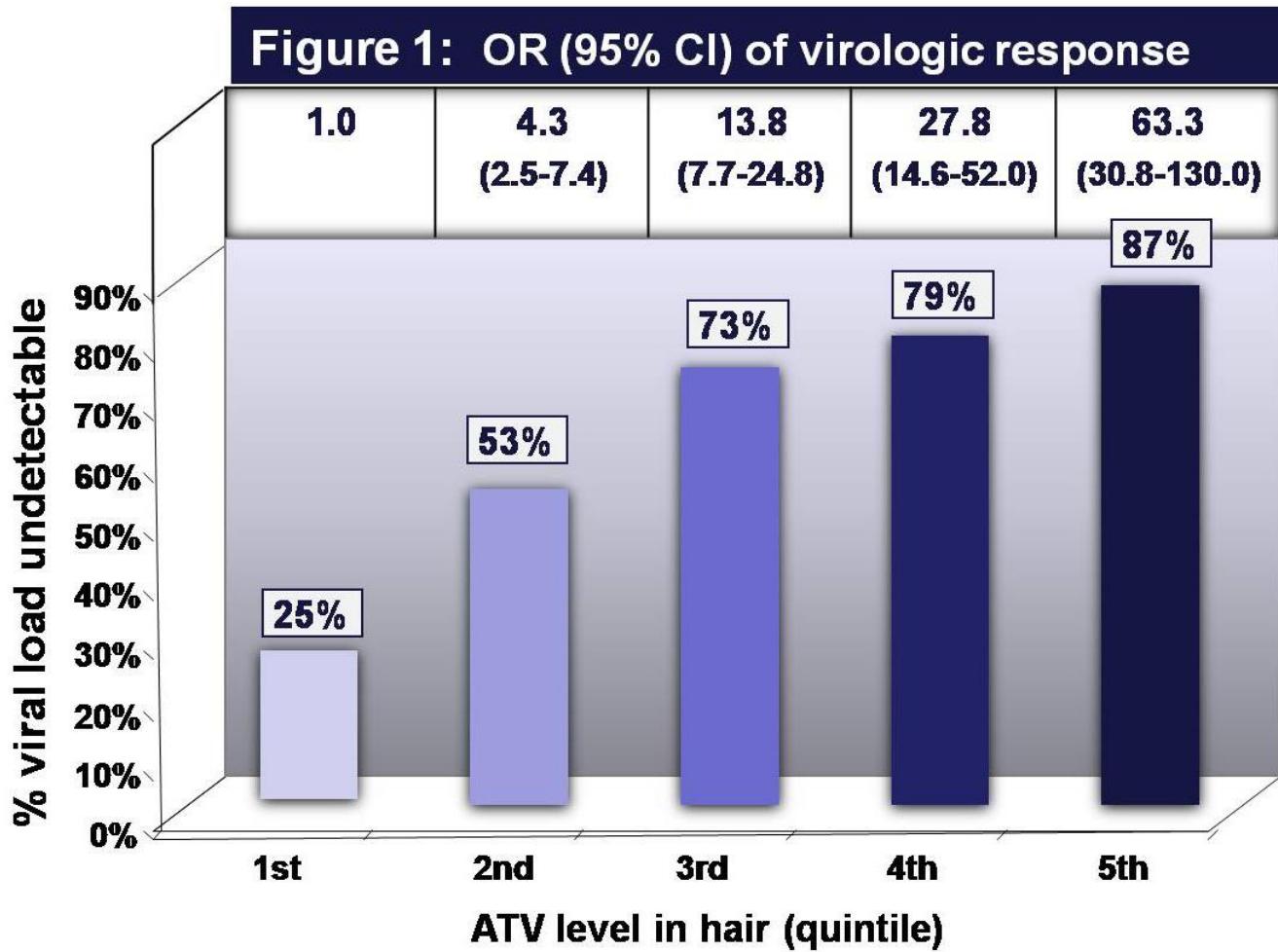
Dolutegravir

50-100 strands



Hair ARV levels in treatment

Figure 1: OR (95% CI) of virologic response



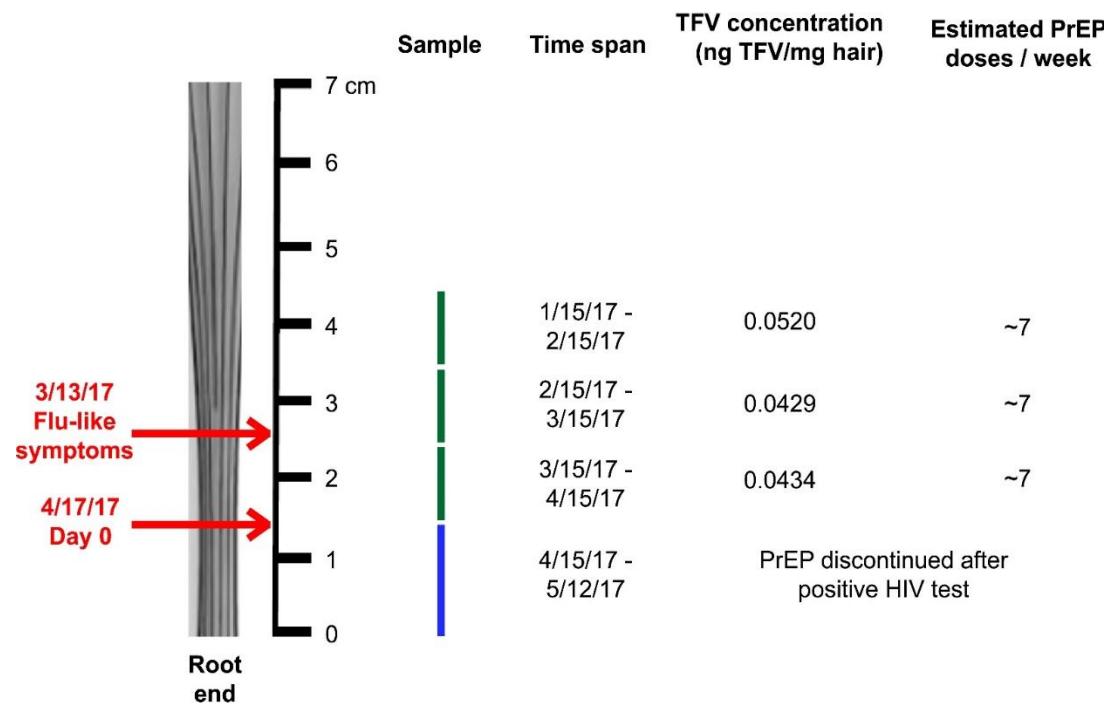
*p-value for each OR <0.0001

- Hair strongest independent predictor of virologic response, in MV models in multiple cohorts¹⁻⁹, and a clinical trial¹⁰= pharmacodynamic relevance
- Hair levels also increase following adherence interventions^{11, 12}

¹Gandhi AIDS 2009; ²Gandhi CID 2011; ³Baxi PLOS One 2015; ⁴Van Zyl G. JAIDS 2011; Prasitsuebsai W. ARHR 2015; Pintye J. JAIDS 2017; ⁶Chawana JAIDS 2017; ⁸Tabb AIDS 2018; ⁹Koss AIDS 2015; ¹⁰Gandhi CROI 2018; ¹¹Gwadz AIDS Behav

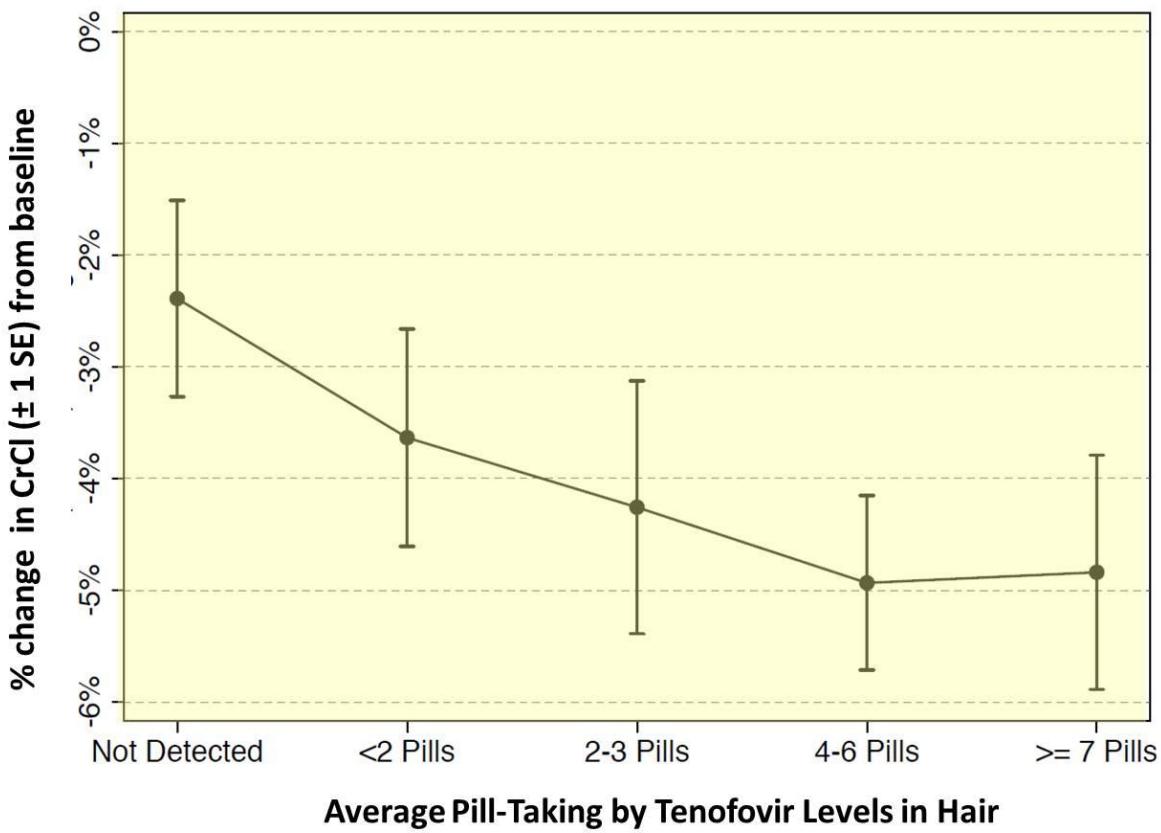
Hair levels in PrEP...and a novel application - Segmental hair analysis

- Hair TFV/FTC levels to analyze PREP adherence in many studies¹⁻¹⁴
- Patterns of adherence over time may be determined via segmental analysis (measuring TFV/FTC levels in each segment from the scalp) - may be particularly helpful in PrEP failures¹³



¹Liu PLOS One 2014; ²Baxi JAIDS 2014; ³Gandhi JID 2015; ⁴Gandhi Lancet HIV 2016; ⁵Koss ARHR 2017; ⁶Koss CID 2018; ⁷Gandhi AIDS 2017; ⁸Abaasa AIDS Behav 2017; ⁹Seifert JAIDS 2017; ¹⁰Baxi PLOS One 2018; ¹¹Markowitz JAIDS 2017; ¹²Colby CID 2018; ¹³Thaden AIDS 2018; ¹⁴Koss AIDS 2018

TFV levels in hair (age, starting CrCl) associated with renal toxicities in PrEP



- Renal function decreased moderately over time on TDF/FTC
- Hair collected q12 weeks on subset
- Higher hair levels of TFV or FTC associated with greater declines in CrCl (daily dosing)
- Age >40 and baseline CrCl $<90\text{ml/min}$ also associated with greater declines in CrCl

Pros (long and short of it) of hair levels as adherence/exposure measure

- Hair grows steadily in occiput at rate of ~1cm/month
- Long-term metric of exposure
- Hair shaft therefore becomes a marker of time
- Hair easy and cheap to collect
- No special skills (no phlebotomy)
- Stored at room temperature
- Shipped without biohazard
- Feasible for resource-limited settings
- Not subject to white-coat adherence



Cons: Acceptability of hair collection variable

- **Variable**

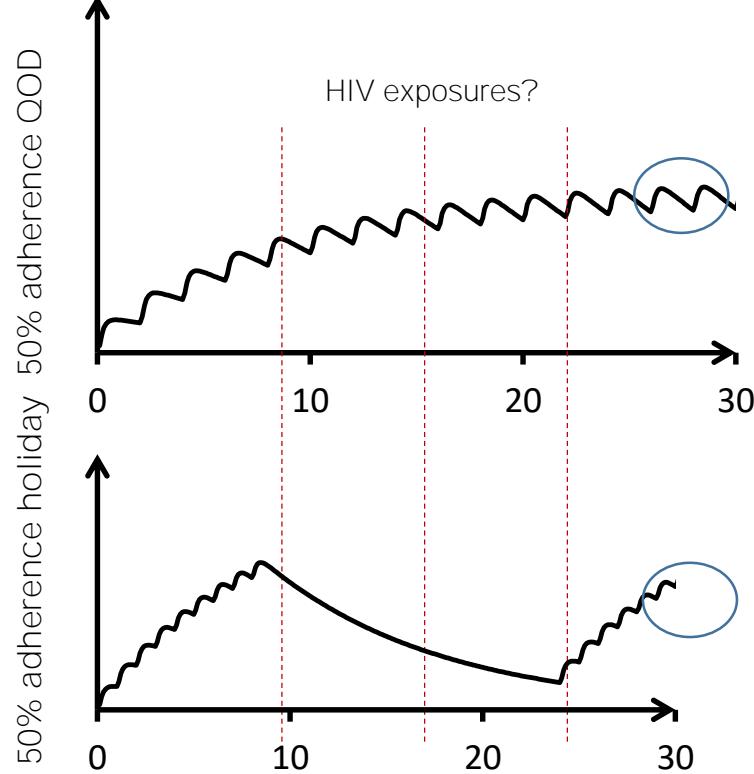
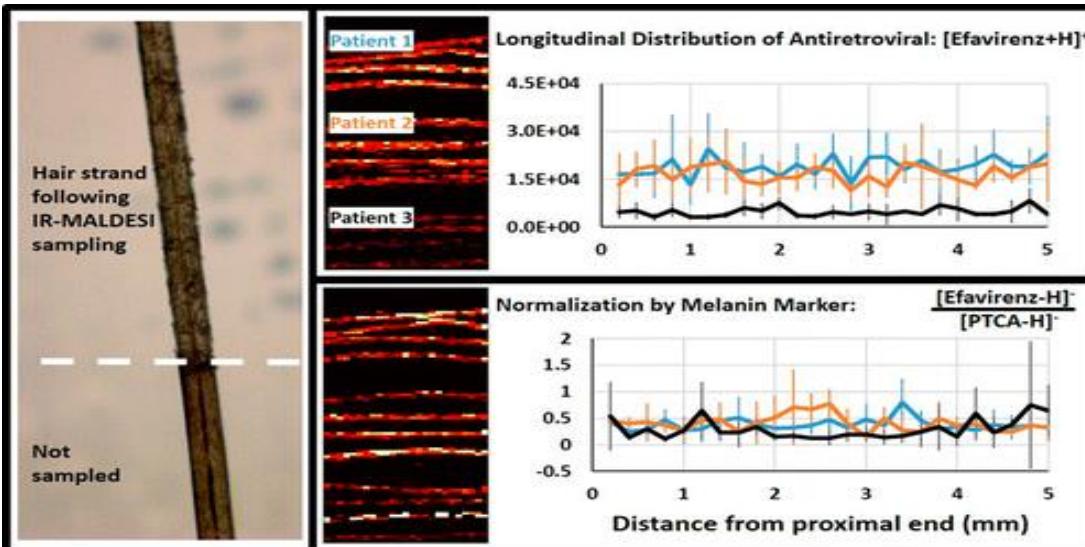
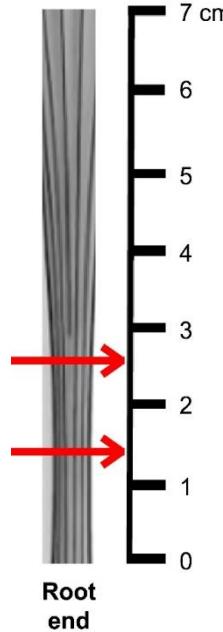
- Rural Kenya, Asia, Uganda -Acceptability 95% as marker of adherence¹⁻³
- South Africa qualitative study - high acceptability of hair collection pregnant women, different ethnicities⁴
- ATN 110, 113: >95% in young diverse MSM in U.S.⁵
- Lower rates in white MSM -ACTG (~55%)⁶; U.S. PrEP Demo project, (58%)⁷, children in Uganda⁸



¹Hickey M. JAIDS 2014; ²Pintye J. JAIDS 2017; ³Koss AIDS 2015; ⁴Coetzee B. Future Virology 2012; ⁵Koss CID 2017; ⁶Gandhi CROI 2018;
⁷Gandhi AIDS 2017; ⁸Olds. AIDS Care. 2015

Cons: Long-term measures and not POC

- Represents average, cannot determine dosing patterns
- Segmental analysis¹ or IR-MALDESI² for patterns
- Spectrometry not as fast for POC



Courtesy Pete Anderson, CROI 2016

Point-of-care diagnostics: extending the laboratory network to reach the last mile

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Purpose of review

More point-of-care (POC) diagnostic tests are becoming available for HIV diagnosis and treatment in resource-limited settings. These novel technologies have the potential to foster decentralized HIV care and treatment for the benefit of clinical laboratories, HIV clinics, and HIV-infected patients. There continue to be many business, technological, and operational challenges that limit product development and regulatory

- HAL urine immunoassay for TTV abstract #87 (Saturday 11:15am-12:15pm)



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