



Sexually Transmitted Infections  
&  
HIV in Primary Care

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# Our Service

- July 2015 – HIV and Sexual health care delivered from Gateway Clinic
- HIV care provided by Barnsley Hospital
- Contraception and STI care provided by Spectrum CIC

# GUM Services

- Confidential
- Non judgemental
- Open access
- Onsite diagnosis
- Free treatment



"Ah, Mr Bond, I've been expecting you..."

# Services delivered

**Contraceptive pills**

**Contraceptive patches**

**Coils**

**Implants**

**Assessment and referral for abortion**

**Psychosexual counselling**

**Youth clinic**

**Non-contraceptive use of IUS**

**Non-invasive screening (asymptomatic)**

**Chlamydia screening**

**Point of care tests for HIV**

**Diagnosis and treatment of STI**

**Biopsy to confirm diagnosis**

**Motivational interviewing**

**Contact tracing**

**Hepatitis B vaccination (sexual risk)**

**Genital dematoses**

**Non-STI causes of vaginal discharge**

**Cervical cytology**

# How to refer

- Allow patients to self refer and contact the clinic directly
  - Patient may not make contact
- 'Phone the clinic to make an appointment.
  - Ask for health advisors if confirmed STI or complex
- Refer by letter
  - delay of receiving an appointment.

# Contact details

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# STIs- general principles

- Accurate diagnosis
- Prompt, appropriate and simple treatment regimens
- Contact tracing
- Test of cure where appropriate



# Infection screening

When to think about Screening

- PCB / IMB
- Cervicitis
- Abnormal vaginal discharge
- Genital ulceration
- Dysuria
- Rectal / anal pain / discharge
- Skin rashes
- Evidence on a co-existing STI
- Recent partner change or high risk group / partner

## Tests – CT GC NAAT

- Men

- 1<sup>st</sup> void urine ( must have held urine for 1 hour)

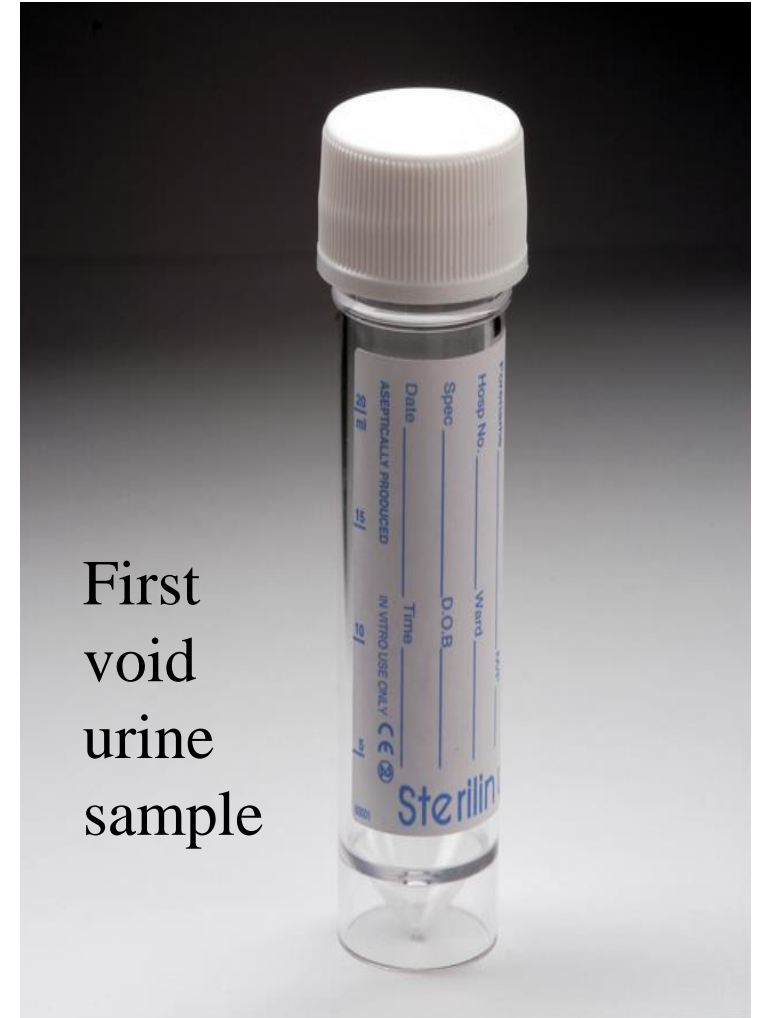
- Women

- Endo-cervical swab
- Self or physician taken vulvo vaginal swabs

# Local NAAT tests for chlamydia



Endo-cervical swab, rectal  
swab



First  
void  
urine  
sample

# Gonorrhoea - testing



## Caution

- A positive test does NOT mean an individual has gonorrhoea
- Patients with a positive NAAT test must have culture tests to confirm diagnosis
- Preferably should be referred to GUM

GC culture plate



# Chlamydia and gonorrhoea – Treatment

## Chlamydia

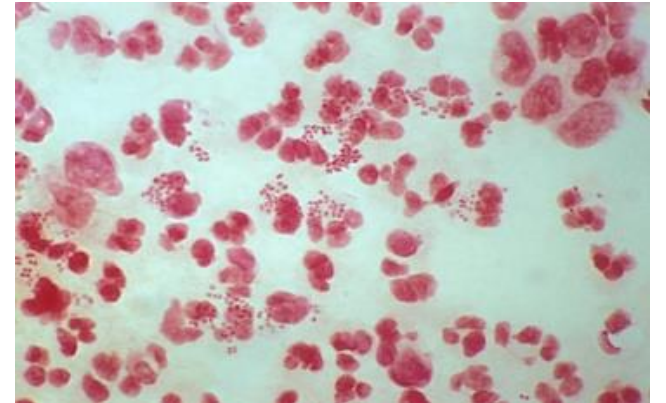
- Azithromycin 1 gr PO single dose
- Doxycycline 100mg bd 1/52 for rectal chlamydia

Consider referral to GUM for contact tracing

## Gonorrhoea

### **Refer to GUM**

- Ceftriaxone 500mg IM single dose with azithromycin 1 gram PO single dose



# Genital blisters / ulcers

HSV

Treatment:  
Valaciclovir  
500mg BD 5/7  
Refer to GUM



Tests:  
HSV PCR from lesion





# Syphilis

If suspicious of syphilis refer to GUM

Treatment: Benzathine penicillin  
2.4MU IM for primary



STS - Serological tests  
for syphilis \*\* may be  
negative in early disease



Dark ground microscopy







# Genital warts



HPV Types 6 & 11 account for 90% of genital warts

HPV 6 & 11 infections are usually asymptomatic and resolve spontaneously - 90% within two years.



# Treatment

- Destructive methods
  - LN2
  - podophylotoxin
  - Surgery
  - Diathermy
  - Curettage
- Immune response modifiers
  - Imiquimod

# What's new?

- Resistant GC
- Chem sex
- LGV
- Hepatitis C

# LGV

- Chlamydia – invasive serovars L1,L2,L3
  - 80 cases per quarter
  - UK – highest global rates in MSM
  - 77% London, Brighton, Manchester
- Symptoms
  - Primary
    - Painless papule / pustule – may persist for weeks
    - Proctitis (96%) – blood/pus/pain
  - Secondary
    - Lymphadenopathy / bubo formation, usually unilateral ‘groove’ sign
    - Fever, arthritis, pneumonitis, hepatitis
  - Tertiary
    - Chronic inflammation, tissue destruction eg scarring, fibrosis, fistulae



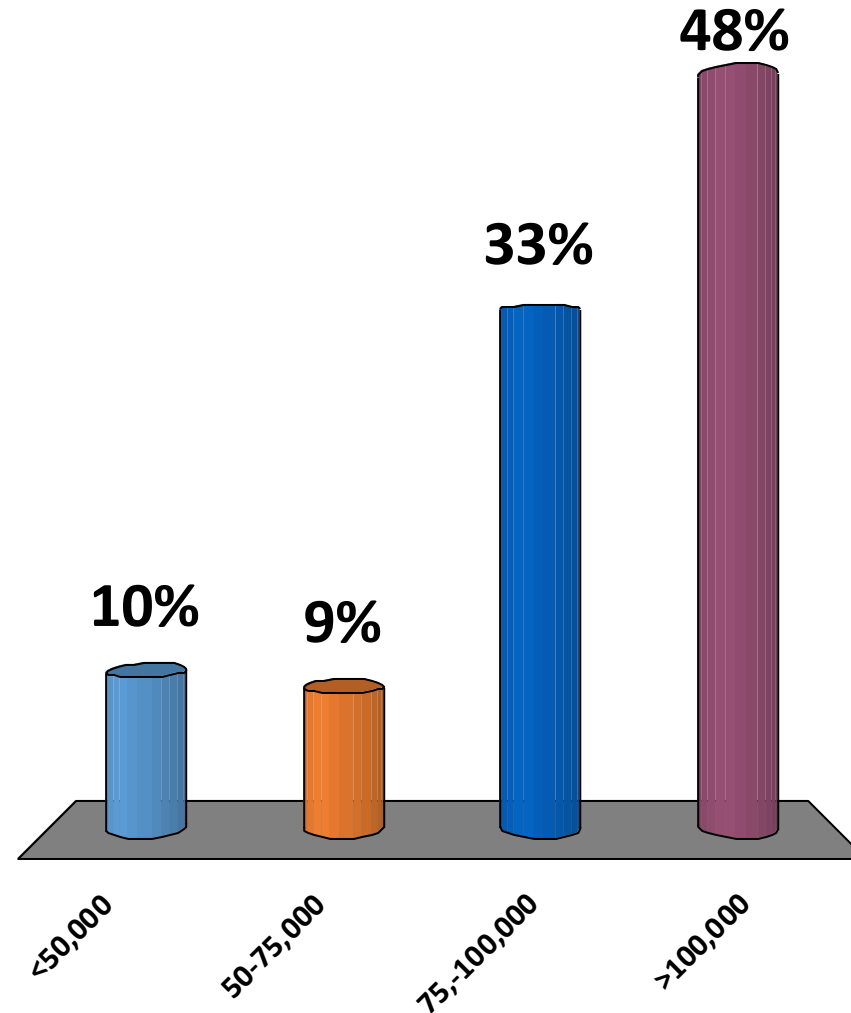
- Diagnosis
  - NAAT testing for CT, if positive test for LGV serovars at Colindale
- Treatment
  - 3 weeks of doxycycline 100 mg BD ( or erythromycin / azithromycin)

# HIV

Disease process,  
Epidemiology & Treatment

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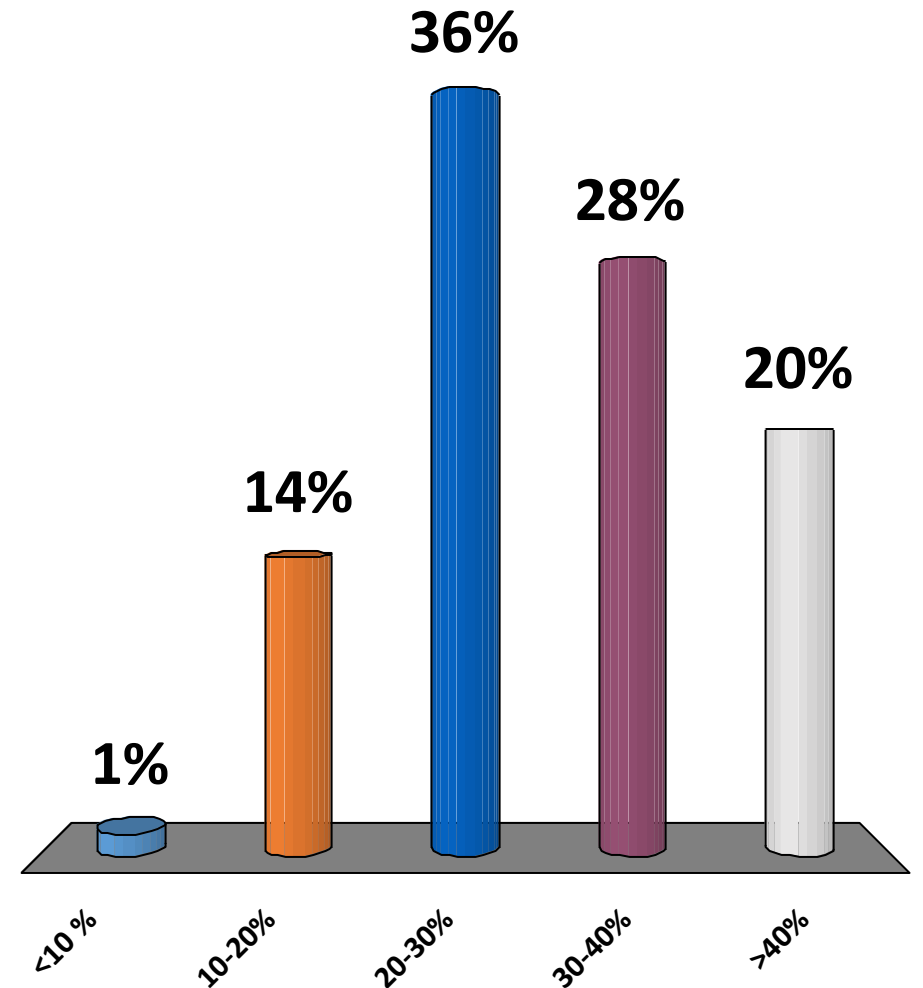
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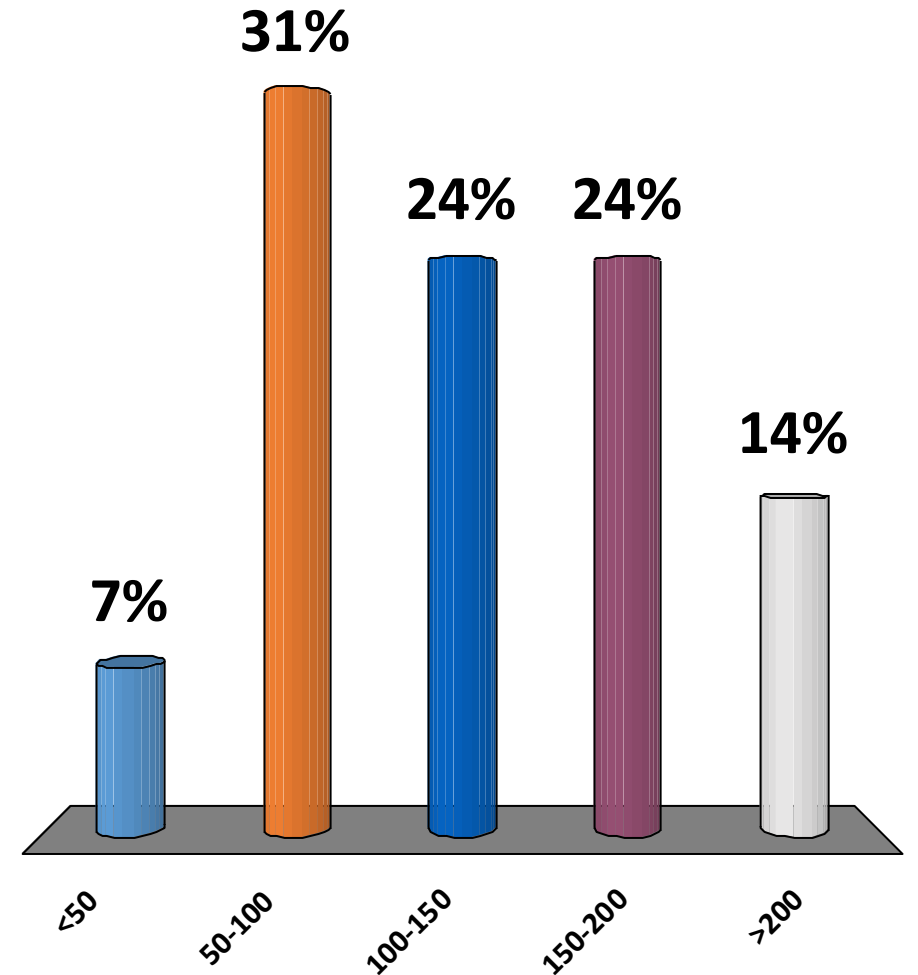


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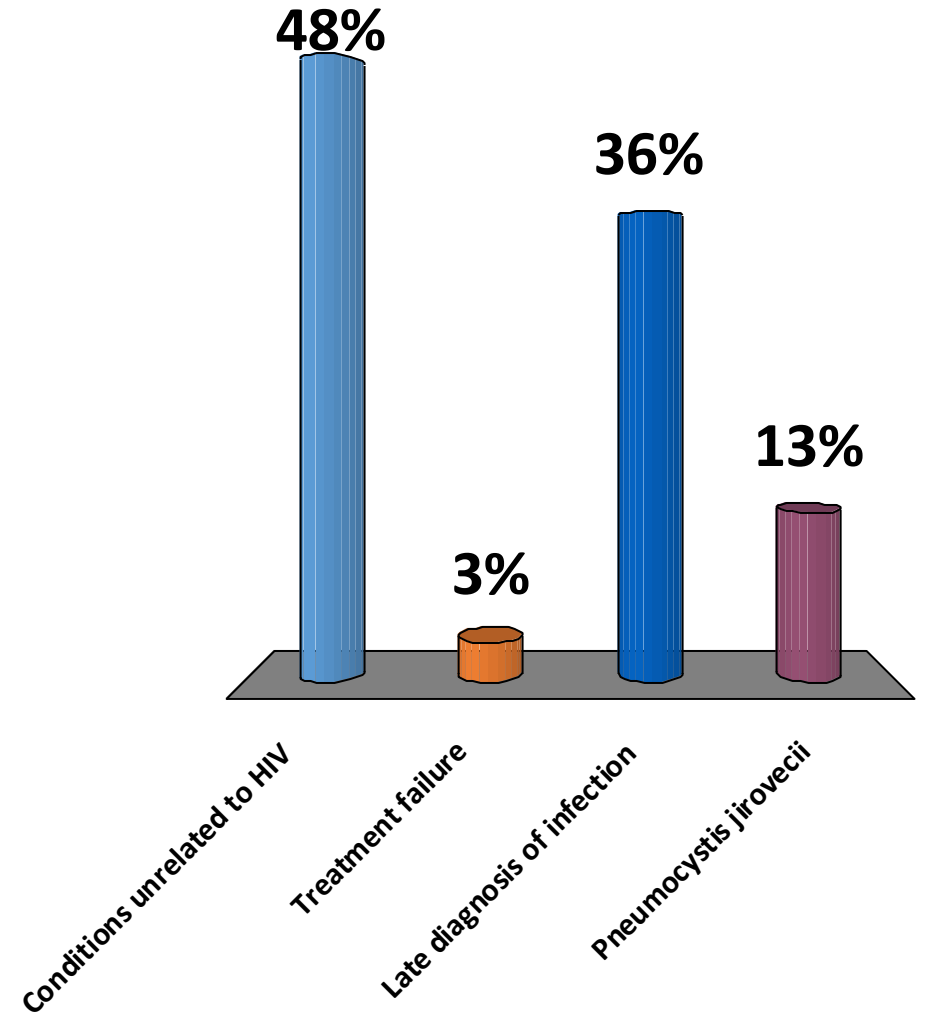


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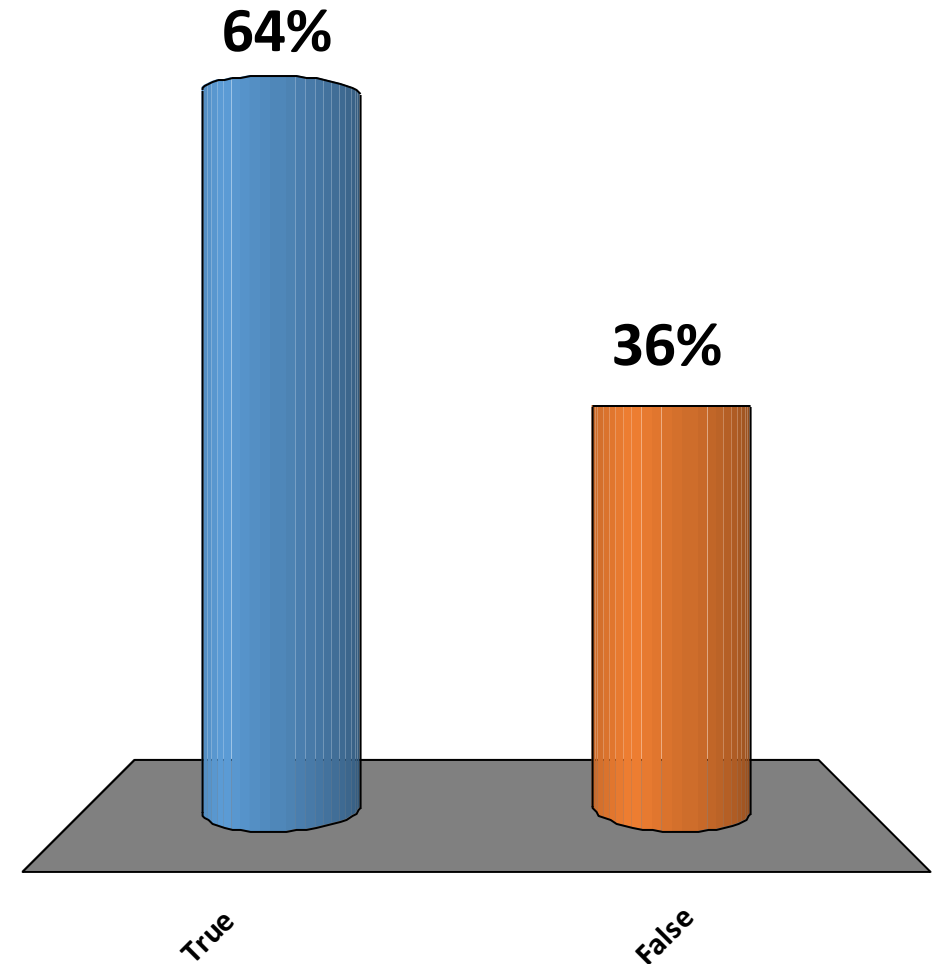


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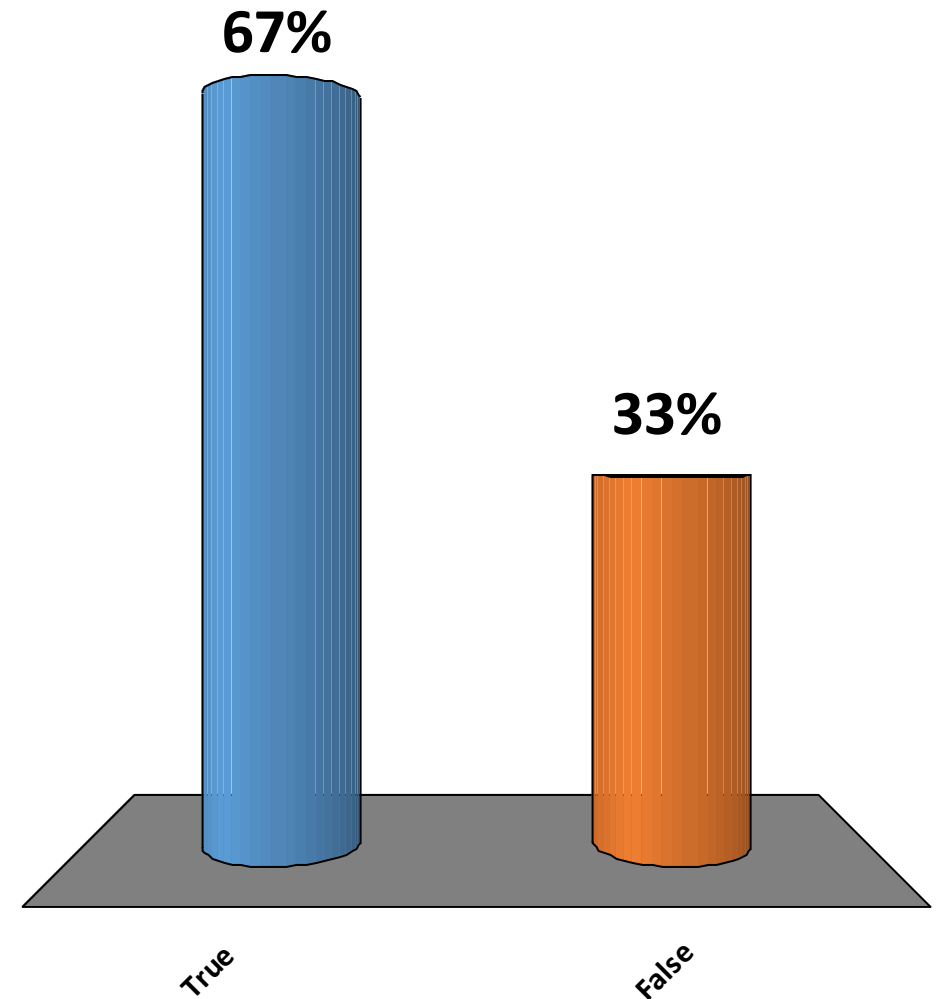
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- B. False





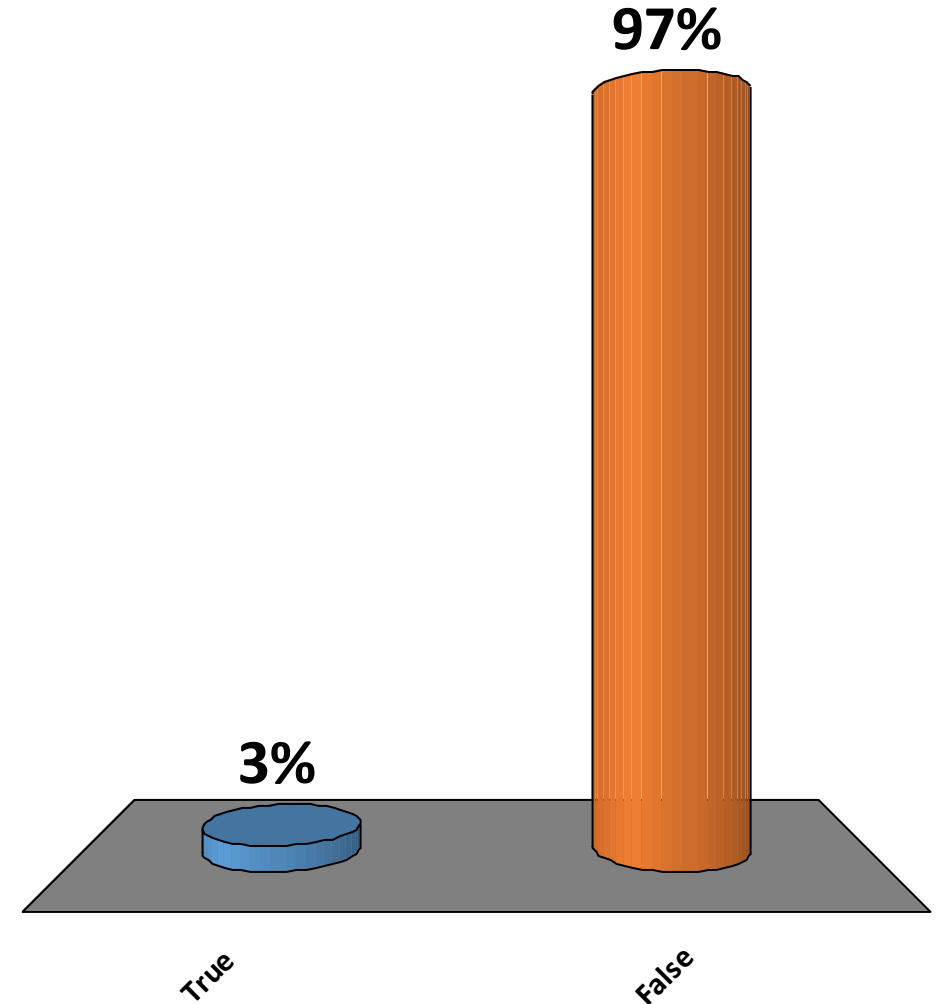
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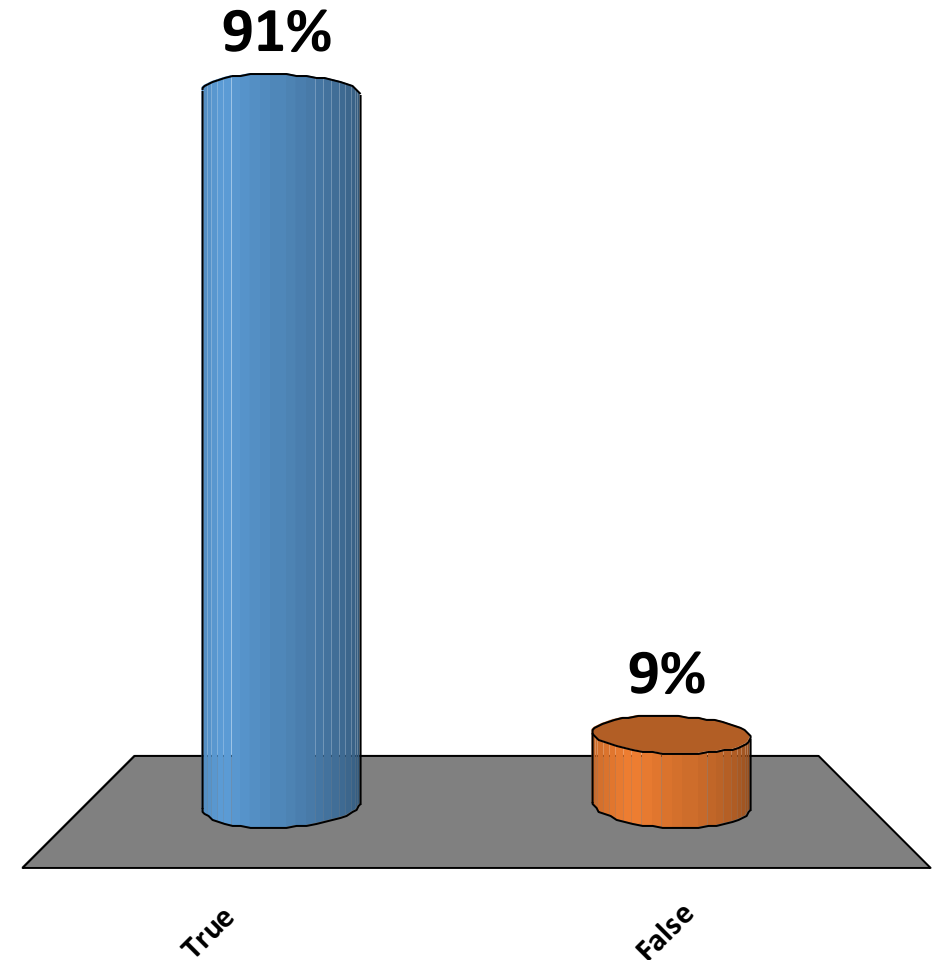
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- A. True
- B. False



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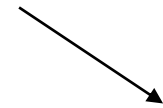
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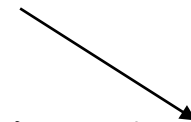
- Sex
- Vertical transmission
- Injecting drug use
- Blood transfusions with infected blood
- Percutaneous injury – needle stick

# HIV infection

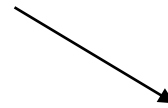
Acute infection - seroconversion



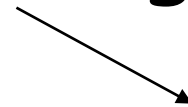
Asymptomatic



HIV related illnesses



AIDS defining illness



Death

Sero-conversion	CD4 > 500	CD4 500 - 200	CD4 <200
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○Fever</li> <li>○Myalgia</li> <li>○Arthralgia</li> <li>○Adenopathy</li> <li>○Malaise</li> <li>○Rash</li> <li>○Meningo-encephalitis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○Guillain-Barre syndrome</li> <li>○Bell's palsy</li> <li>○Polymyositis</li> <li>○Chronic demyelinating neuropathy</li> <li>○Idiopathic thrombocytopenia</li> <li>○Tinea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○Seborrhoeic dermatitis</li> <li>○Gingivitis</li> <li>○Warts</li> <li>○Molluscum</li> <li>○TB</li> <li>○Herpes Zoster/Simplex</li> <li>○Oral candida</li> <li>○KS</li> <li>○CIN</li> <li>○Primary CNS lymphoma</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○Cryptosporidiosis</li> <li>○PCP</li> <li>○Toxoplasmosis</li> <li>○Cryptococcal meningitis</li> <li>○CMV</li> <li>○MAC</li> </ul>



Primary HIV infection

Classical triad of:

- Pharyngitis

- Rash

- Fever

# Clinical Manifestations





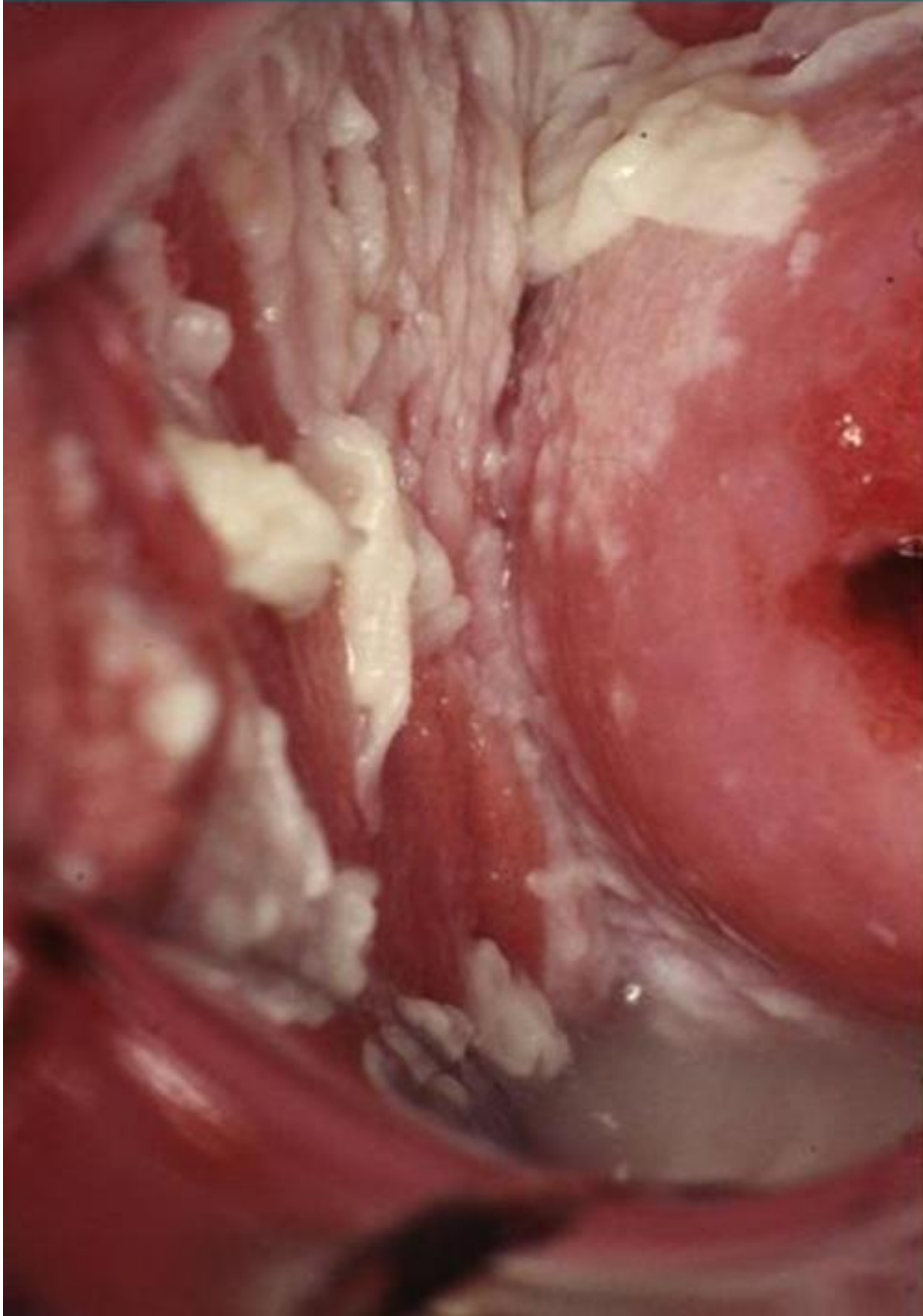








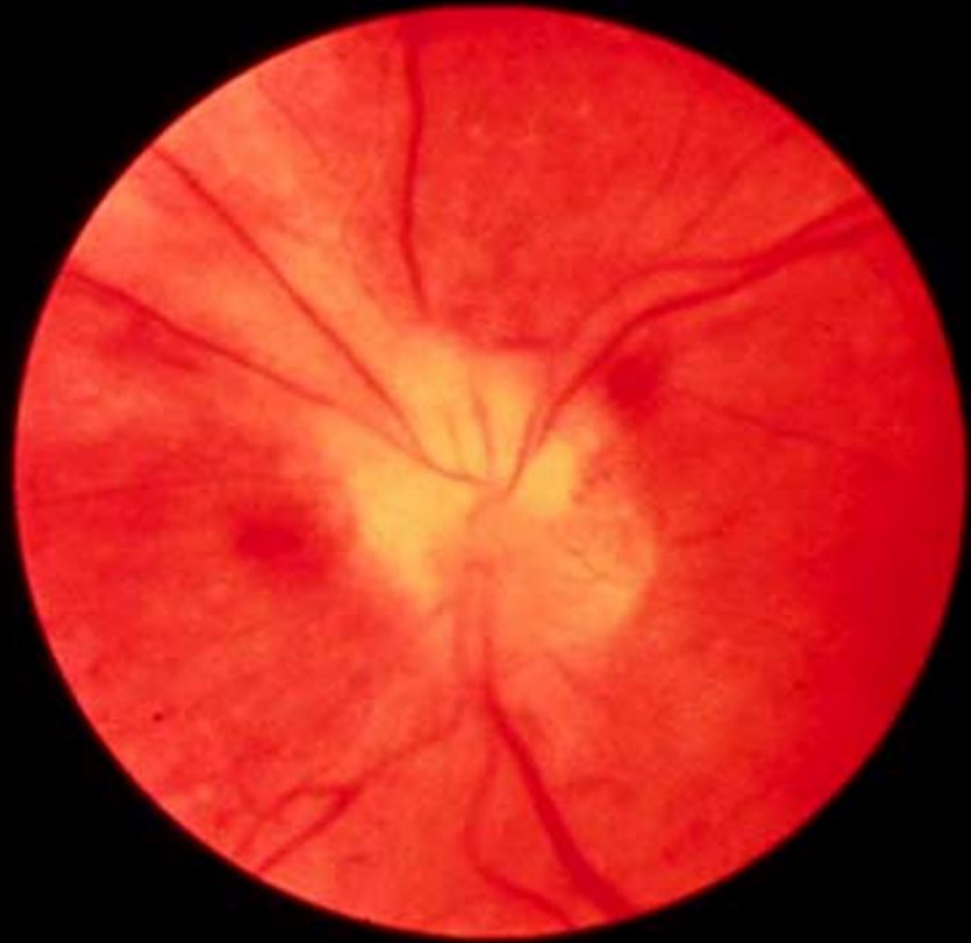
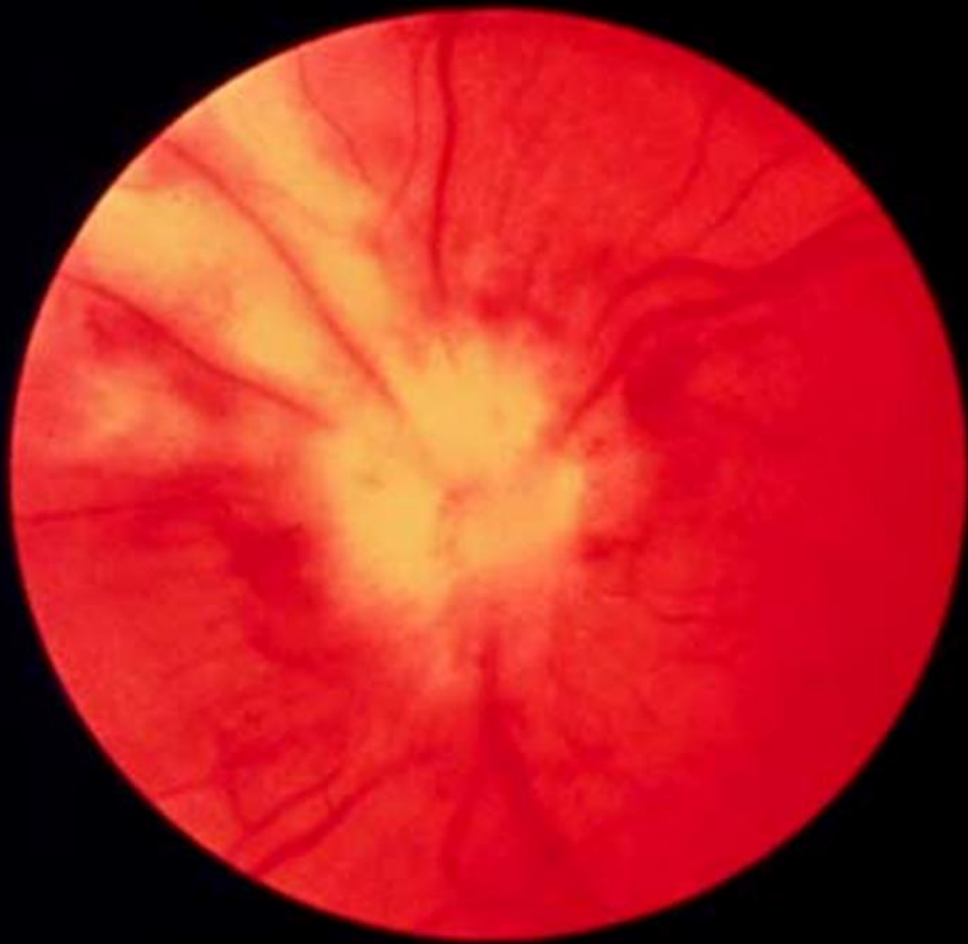








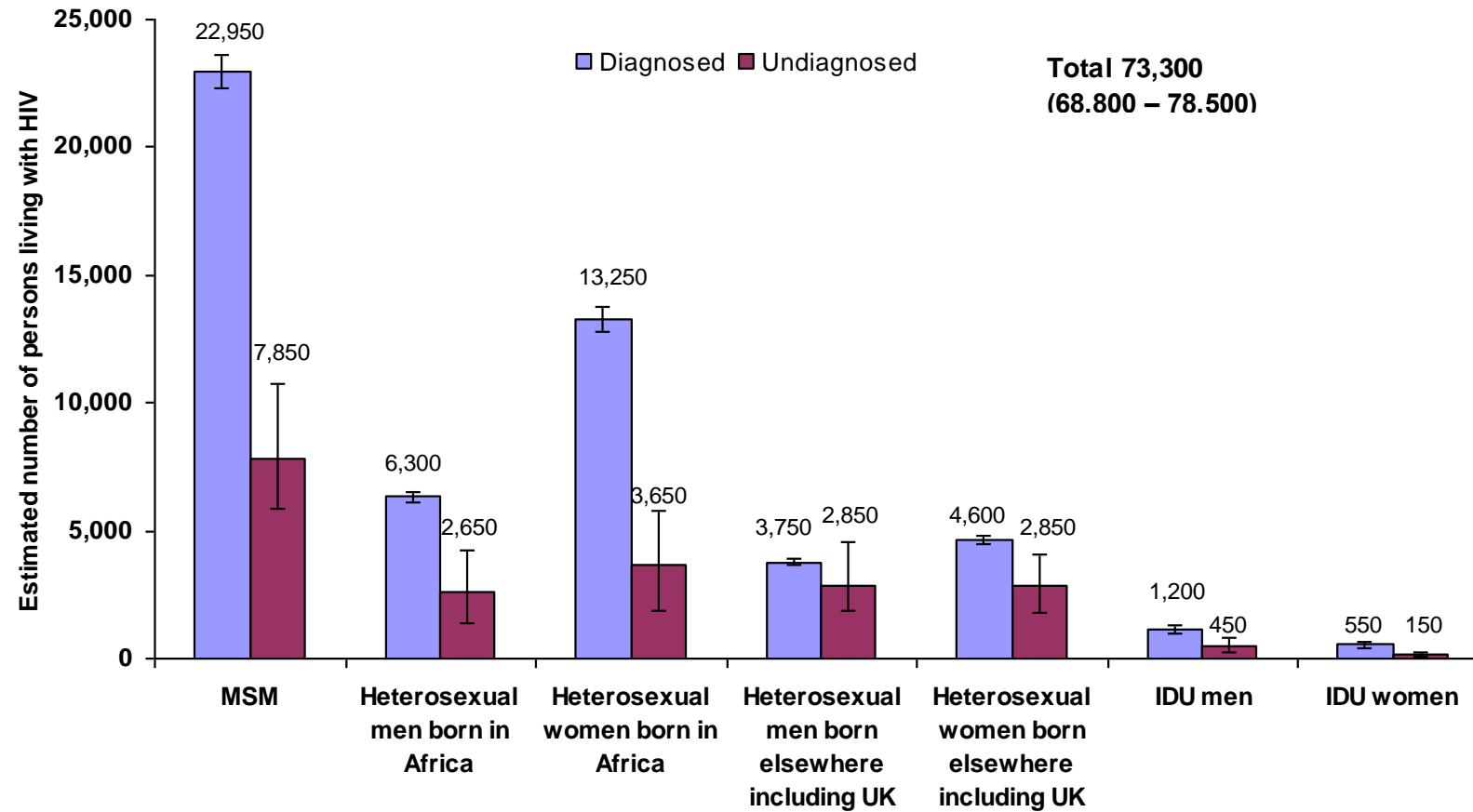




# HIV in the UK

- There are currently an estimated 96,000 people with HIV in the UK.
- 24% of those infected (>23,000) remain undiagnosed – HPA 2011
- 47% of new HIV diagnoses are diagnosed late (CD4 < 350). 56% of women are diagnosed late.
- 35% of HIV-related deaths attributable to late diagnosis – BHIVA audit 2006
- Effective treatments greatly reduce morbidity
- Better response to treatment if started early
- Fully suppressed viral loads reduce onward transmission

# Estimated number of adults (15 to 59 years) living with HIV (both diagnosed and undiagnosed) in the UK: 2007



# When to test?

www.bashh.org/documents/1838.pdf

## UK National Guidelines for HIV Testing 2008

prepared jointly by  
British HIV Association  
British Association of Sexual Health and HIV  
British Infection Society

BHIVA BASHH BRITISH INFECTION SOCIETY

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## TOP 3

1. TB
2. BBV – Hep B / C
3. Lymphoma

***B. An HIV test should be considered in the following settings where diagnosed HIV prevalence in the local population (PCT/LA) exceeds 2 in 1000 population (see local PCT data<sup>†</sup>):***

1. all men and women registering in general practice
2. all general medical admissions.

The introduction of universal HIV testing in these settings should be thoroughly evaluated for acceptability and feasibility and the resultant data made available to better inform the ongoing implementation of these guidelines.

***C. HIV testing should be also routinely offered and recommended to the following patients:***

1. all patients presenting for healthcare where HIV, including primary HIV infection, enters the differential diagnosis (see table of indicator diseases and section on primary HIV infection)
2. all patients diagnosed with a sexually transmitted infection
3. all sexual partners of men and women known to be HIV positive
4. all men who have disclosed sexual contact with other men
5. all female sexual contacts of men who have sex with men
6. all patients reporting a history of injecting drug use
7. all men and women known to be from a country of high HIV prevalence (>1%\*)
8. all men and women who report sexual contact abroad or in the UK with individuals from countries of high HIV prevalence.\*

\* for an up to date list see

## UK National Guidelines for HIV Testing 2008

**Table 1: Clinical indicator diseases for adult HIV infection**

	AIDS-defining conditions	Other conditions where HIV testing should be offered
Respiratory	Tuberculosis Pneumocystis	Bacterial pneumonia Aspergillosis
Neurology	Cerebral toxoplasmosis Primary cerebral lymphoma Cryptococcal meningitis Progressive multifocal leucoencephalopathy	Aseptic meningitis/encephalitis Cerebral abscess Space occupying lesion of unknown cause Guillain–Barré syndrome Transverse myelitis Peripheral neuropathy Dementia Leucoencephalopathy
Dermatology	Kaposi's sarcoma	Severe or recalcitrant seborrhoeic dermatitis Severe or recalcitrant psoriasis Multidermatomal or recurrent herpes zoster





Gastroenterology	Persistent cryptosporidiosis	Oral candidiasis Oral hairy leukoplakia Chronic diarrhoea of unknown cause Weight loss of unknown cause Salmonella, shigella or campylobacter Hepatitis B infection Hepatitis C infection
Oncology	Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	Anal cancer or anal intraepithelial dysplasia Lung cancer Seminoma Head and neck cancer Hodgkin's lymphoma Castleman's disease
Gynaecology	Cervical cancer	Vaginal intraepithelial neoplasia Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia Grade 2 or above
Haematology		Any unexplained blood dyscrasia including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• thrombocytopenia</li><li>• neutropenia</li><li>• lymphopenia</li></ul>
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ENT

Lymphadenopathy of unknown cause

Chronic parotitis

Lymphoepithelial parotid cysts

Other

Mononucleosis-like syndrome (primary HIV infection)

Pyrexia of unknown origin

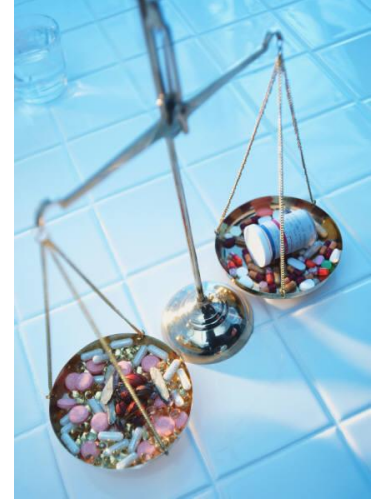
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Any sexually transmitted infection



# HAART

- At least 4 useful, widely available single tablet regimens
- ‘Cleaner’ drugs – fewer side effects
- Newer drug groups with fewer drug-drug interactions
- Compliance is the key to successful treatment



ART is for life - *Never* advise a patient to stop ART without advice from HIV unit



# Benefits of treatment

- Preservation of immune function
- Improved life expectancy
- Reduced onward transmission
- Reduction of mother to baby transmission
- Fewer hospital admissions

# What to watch out for in Primary Care

- A few patients still choose not to disclose
- Watch out for drug interactions. Common culprits:
  - Statins
  - Omeprazole

[www.hiv-druginteractions.org](http://www.hiv-druginteractions.org)

- Live vaccinations

# How to do an HIV test

You need one of these....



.....verbal consent and a standard microbiology form – simply request HIV test!

You do not need....

Formal pre test counselling\*, written consent, cat 3 stickers (unless other risk), special permission!

*\* If patient identified as being at high risk of infection GUM health advisors will come and see patient*



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