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Question: Should 2nd line or subsequent ART regimens containing TDF and 3TC (or FTC) vs 2nd line or subsequent ART regimens containing 3TC or FTC or TDF as the only HBV drug be used for HIV/HBV co-infected individuals > 5 years old?

Settings: Multiple

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| Quality assessment | | | | | | | Summary of findings | | | | | Importance |
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| No of studies | Design | Limitations | Inconsistency | Indirectness | Imprecision | Other considerations | No of patients | | Effect | | Quality | |
| | | | | | | | 2nd line or subsequent ART regimens containing TDF and 3TC (or FTC) | 2nd line or subsequent ART regimens containing 3TC or FTC or TDF as the only HBV drug | Relative (95% CI) | Absolute | | |
| Mortality 1, 2 and 5 years (follow-up median 34 months; death during follow up period) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | observational studies | serious ¹ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ² | none | 0/43 (0%) | 0/16 (0%) | Not estimable | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | CRITICAL |
| HIV disease progression - not reported | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0 | - | - | - | - | - | none | 0/0 (0%) | 0/0 (0%) | - | - | | |
| HBV disease progression (cirrhosis, HCC) (follow-up median 12 months) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | observational studies | serious ³ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ⁴ | none | 0/65 (0%) | 0/0 (0%) | RR 0 (0 to 0) | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | CRITICAL |
| | | | | | | | | 0% | | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | | |
| Severe treatment associated adverse events (follow-up median 12 months; see note⁵) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | observational studies | serious ⁶ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ⁷ | none | 1/65 (1.5%) | 0/0 (0%) | RR 0 (0 to 0) | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | |
| | | | | | | | | 0% | | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | | |
| CD4 recovery - not measured⁸ | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 0 | - | - | - | - | - | none | 0/0 (0%) | 0/0 (0%) | - | - | | |
| Other non-AIDS morbidities - not reported | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0 | - | - | - | - | - | none | 0/0 (0%) | 0/0 (0%) | - | - | | |
| Other HBV related morbidities - not reported | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0 | - | - | - | - | - | none | 0/0 (0%) | 0/0 (0%) | - | - | | |
| HIV viral load response (follow-up median 34 months; HIV RNA < 2.6 log 10 copies/ml) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | observational studies | serious ⁹ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ¹⁰ | none | 43/64 (67.2%) | 29/62 (46.8%) | RR 1.44 (1.05 to 1.97) ¹¹ | 206 more per 1000 (from 23 more to 454 more) | VERY LOW | IMPORTANT |
| | | | | | | | 0% | 0 more per 1000 (from 0 more to 0 more) | | | | |
| HBV viral load response (follow-up median 34 months¹²; HBV DNA < 200 copies/ml) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | observational studies | serious ¹³ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ¹⁴ | none | 31/52 (59.6%) ¹⁵ | 0/0 (0%) | RR 0 (0 to 0) | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | IMPORTANT |
| | | | | | | | 0% | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | | | | |
| HBV drug resistance (follow-up median 34 months; virologic breakthrough¹⁶) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | observational studies | serious ¹⁷ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ¹⁸ | none | 9/59 (15.3%) | 0% | RR 0 (0 to 0) | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | CRITICAL |
| HIV drug resistance (follow-up median 34 months; HIV drug resistance test) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 ¹⁹ | observational studies | serious ²⁰ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ²¹ | none | 1/52 (1.9%) ²² | 0% | RR 0 (0 to 0) | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | IMPORTANT |
| Adherence (follow-up median 34 months; rebound in HIV RNA on treatment) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | observational studies | serious ²³ | no serious inconsistency | no serious indirectness | serious ²⁴ | none | 1/52 (1.9%) ²⁵ | 0% | RR 0 (0 to 0) | 0 fewer per 1000 (from 0 fewer to 0 fewer) | VERY LOW | IMPORTANT |

¹ See Footnote 1

² Studies varied in duration of follow up - study by Alvarez Uriá longest and included here. None specifically reported on mortality but no deaths reported in this study with longest duration of follow up.

³ See 4 above

⁴ See 4. above

⁵ Single patient on TDF developed renal tubulopathy (co-existing Castelman disease and non Hodgkin's lymphoma) at month 20. Developed Fanconi type syndrome without renal failure. Recovered few weeks after TDF withdrawal.

⁶ Retrospective observational study

⁷ See 8. above

⁸ ARV treatment experienced patients; CD4 change not reported

⁹ See 8. above

¹⁰ See 8. above

¹¹ RR not reported; p=0.01; RR calculated using Epi Info

¹² Variable median follow up in studies - Alvarez Uria included here (median FU 34 months). Other studies: Schmutz: median 116-129 weeks; Matthews: time since HAART initiation 6.7 months on LAM or FTC alone, 8.2 months on TDF alone and 8.2 months on TDF and LAM/FTC; Benhamou: median duration ARV 6 years

¹³ See 1 above re details of studies

¹⁴ See 1 above re details of studies

¹⁵ No significant difference between LAM naive and LAM experienced groups

¹⁶ no significant differences in characteristics (gender, age, HBeAg positive, preexisting cirrhosis, CD4 nadir or end of study CD4, previous duration of LAM, concomitant use of LAM or PI) in patients experiencing virologic breakthrough and those not

¹⁷ Alvarez Uria retrospective observational study design

¹⁸ Alvarez Uria study retrospective observational

¹⁹ Alvarez Uria retrospective observational study design

²⁰ see 22. above

²¹ see 2. above

²² Type of resistance in the single patient note reported except to say showed resistance mutations against the HIV ARV regimen the patient was on. Patient's HIV RNA was 3168 copies/ml.

²³ Alvarez Uria retrospective observational study design

²⁴ Alvarez Uria retrospective observational study design

²⁵ Adherence indirectly measured and reported based on development of rebound HIV RNA in 1 of 9 patients with HBV virologic breakthrough