

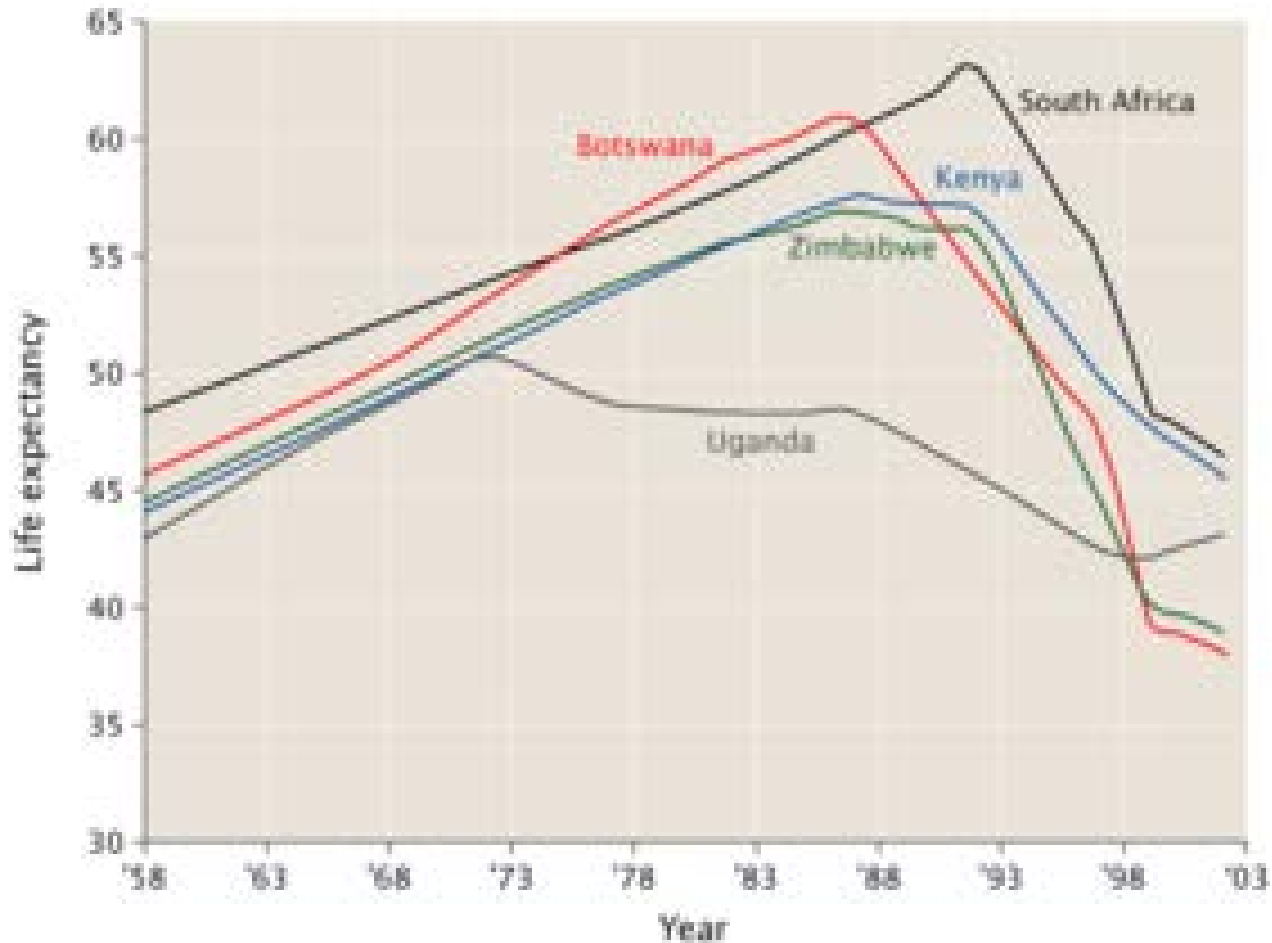
# Antiretroviral Treatment Update

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# HIV Epidemic in low & middle income countries (LMIC)



# Decline in life expectancy



# ARV comes to LMIC



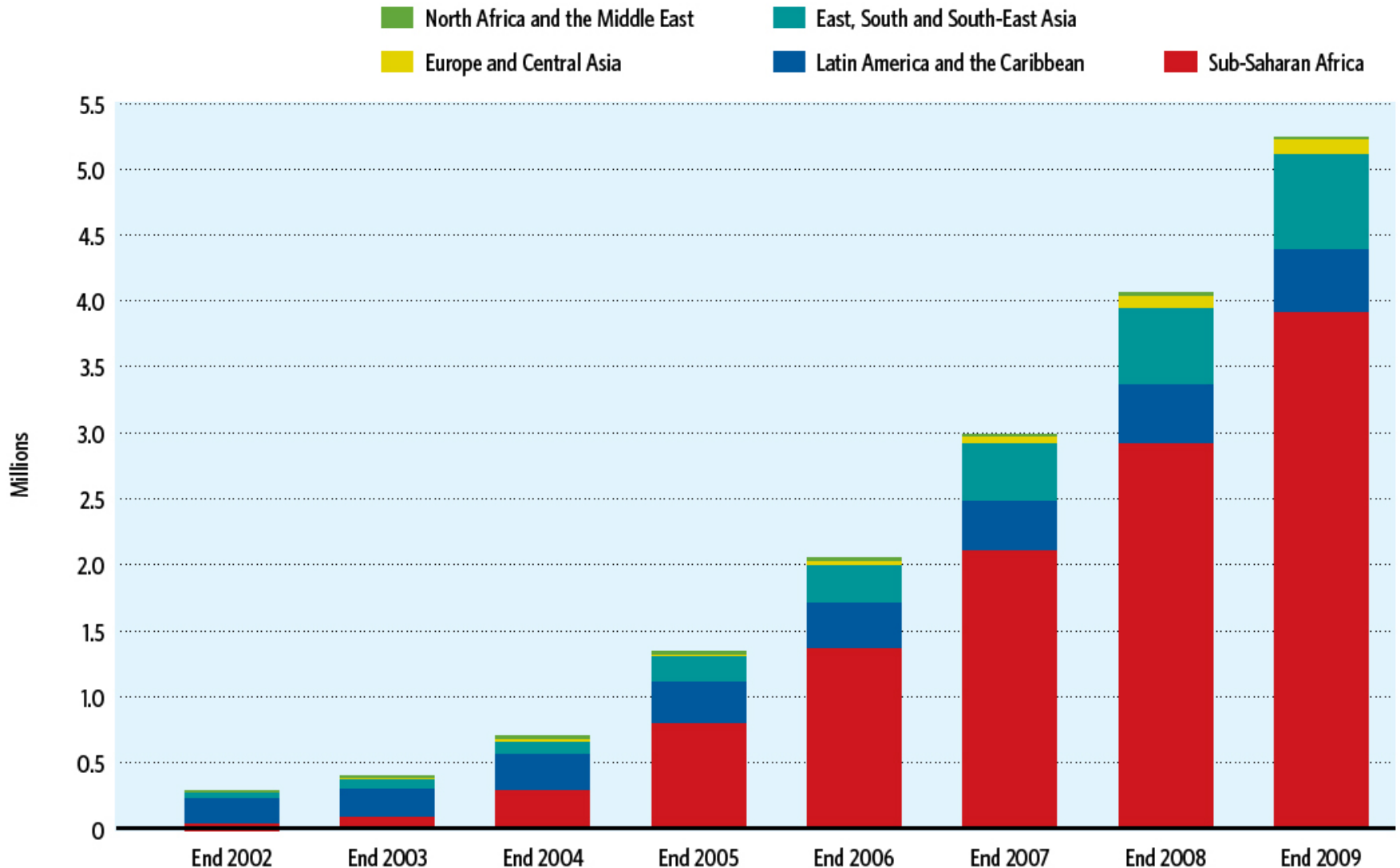
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# Number of people receiving antiretroviral therapy in low- and middle-income countries, by region, 2002–2009



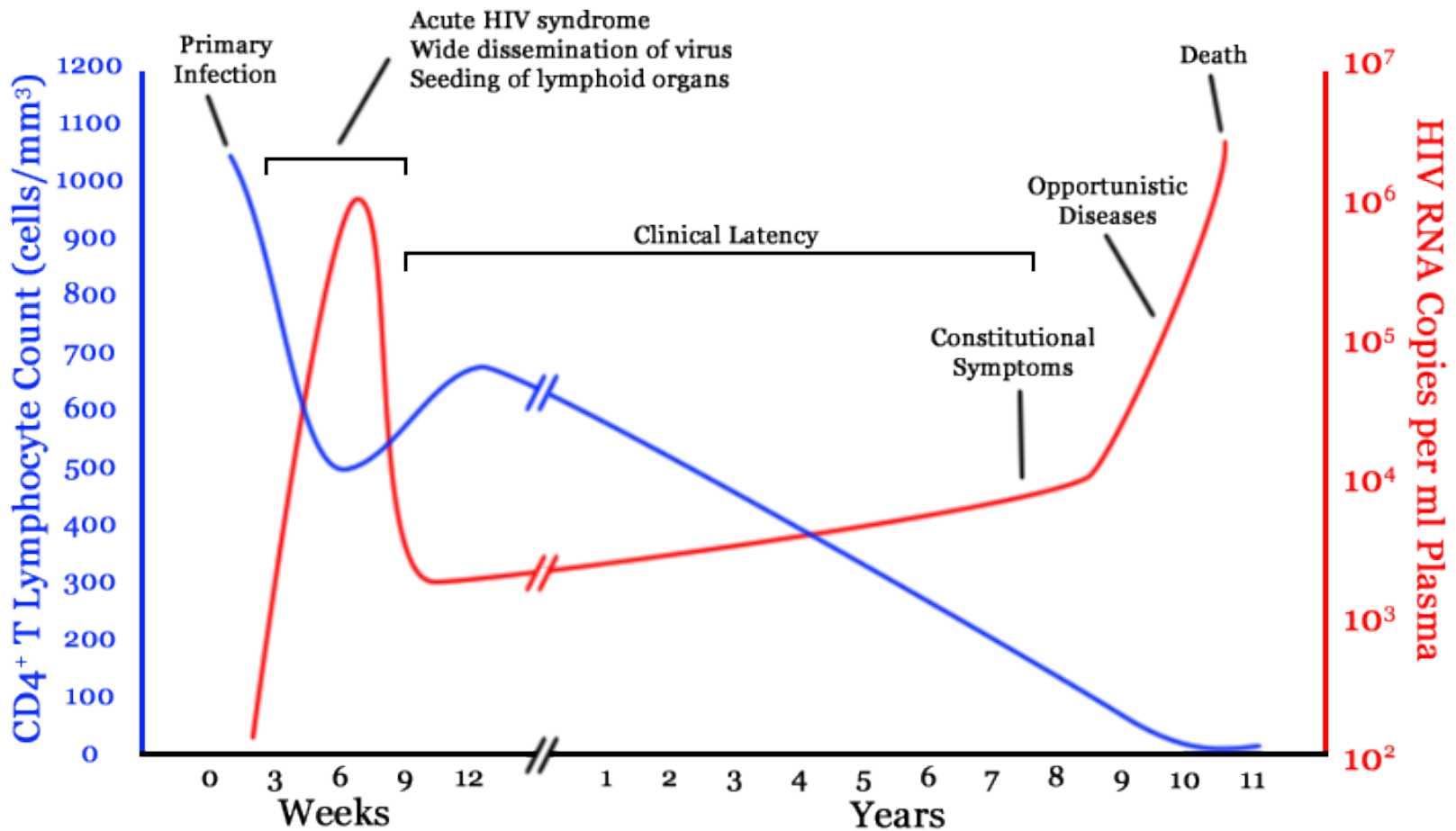
Number of men and women receiving and estimated to need antiretroviral therapy and percentage coverage, December 2009

- Number needing ARV 13 million
- Number receiving ARV 4.6 million
- Percentage 35%

# Presentation Topics

- How to monitor HIV progression
- When to initiate treatment
- Principles of treatment
- How to monitor on treatment
- The challenge of viral resistance

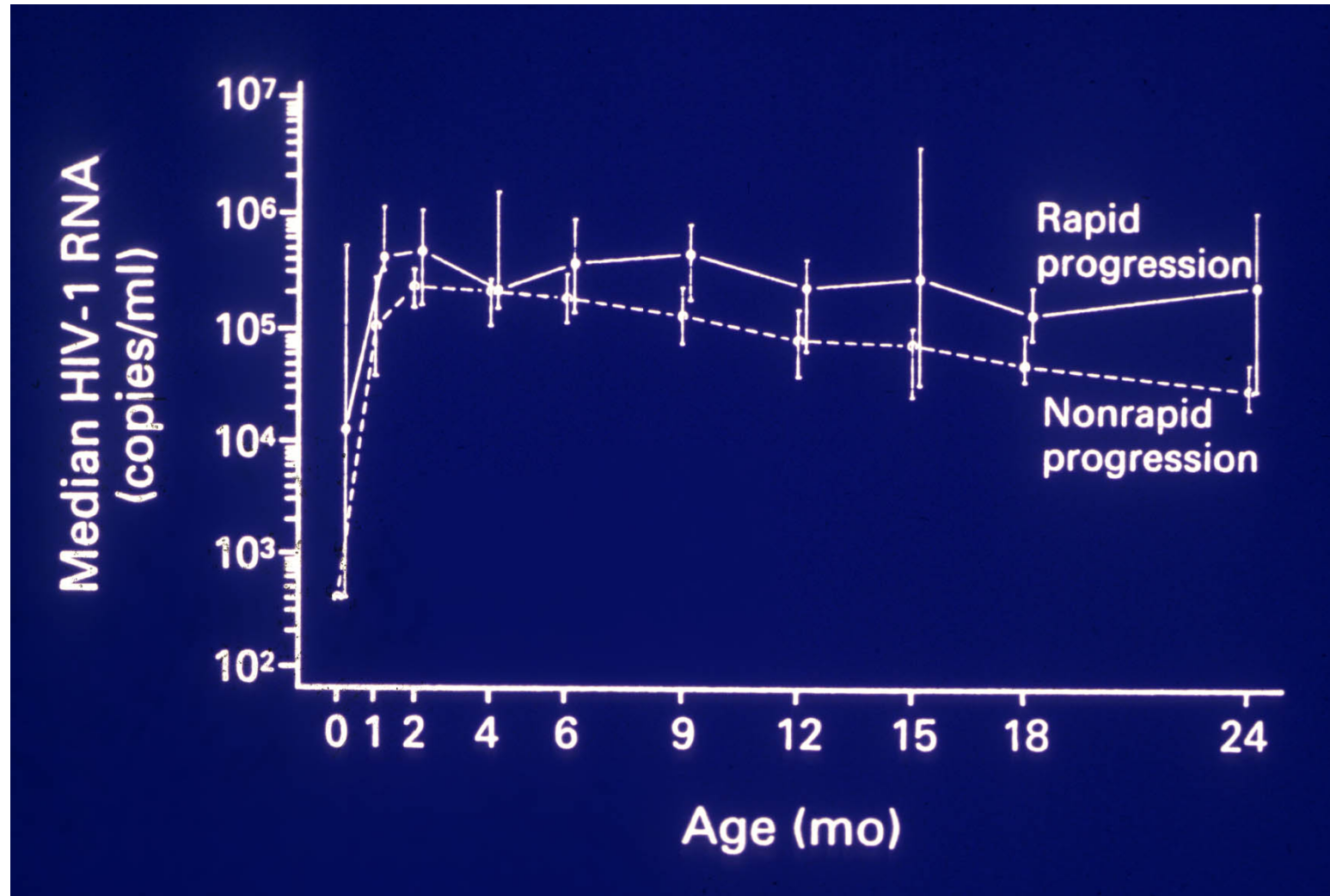
# HIV disease course: adult/adol



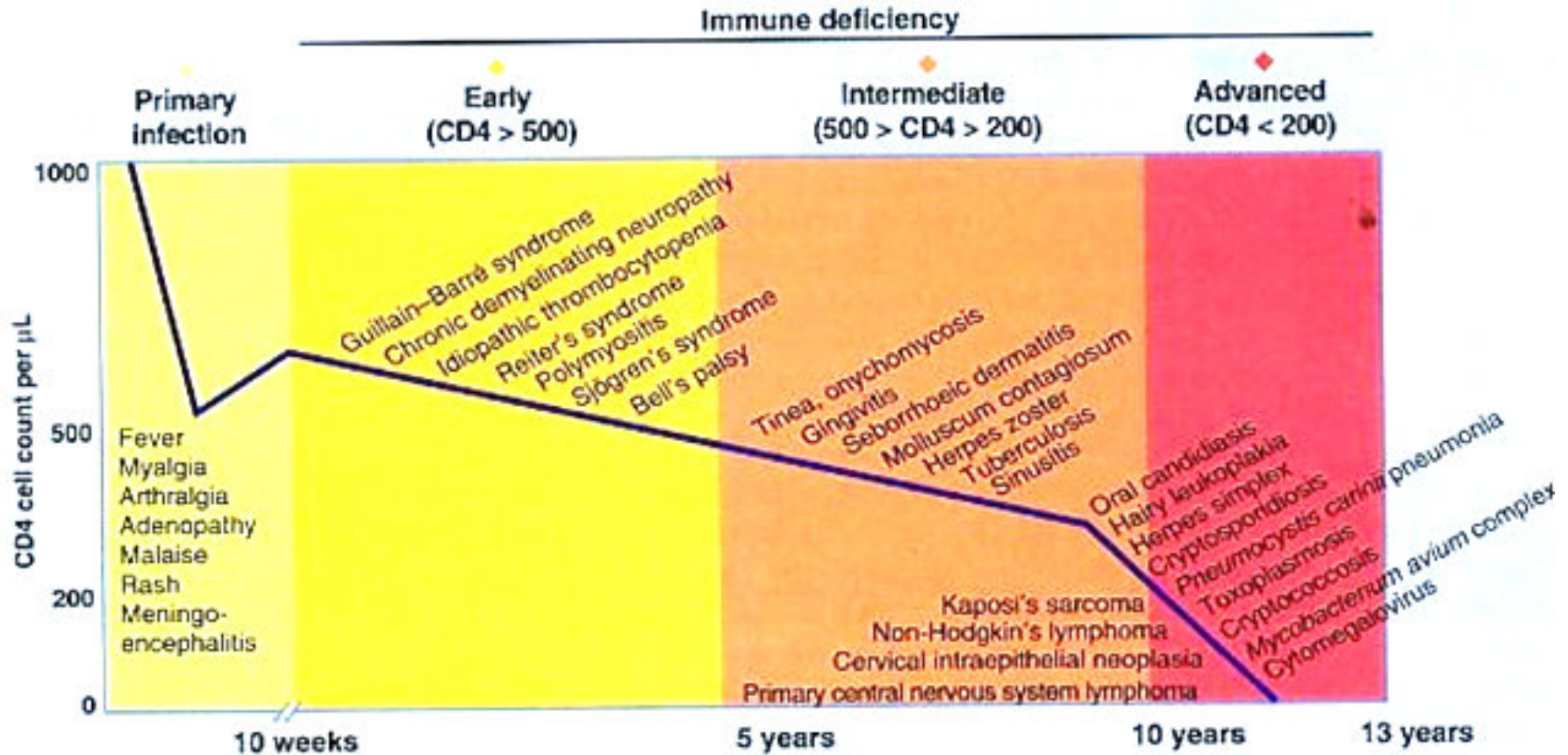
# HIV disease course: perinatal

- Rapid progression
- High risk of mortality
- Without treatment
  - 50% of infant die by age 2 yr
  - 80% have CD4 count indication for treatment by age 6 months
- CHER study, many died before they came in to have CD4 count monitored

Viral load for an individual patient may not predict rapid progression in early infancy



# Phase of HIV progression



# WHO clinical staging criteria

- Stage 1
  - No symptoms
  - Generalized lymphadenopathy

# WHO clinical staging criteria

- Stage 2
  - Moderate weight loss
  - Recurrent minor respiratory infections
    - Sinusitis, pharyngitis, otitis media
  - Mild Skin/mucous membrane manifestations
    - Shingles, angular cheilitis, oral ulcers, papular eruptions, dermatitis, fungal nail infections
    - (Peds) Lineal gingival erythema, parotid gland enlargement, extensive warts & molluscum
  - (Peds) Hepatosplenomegaly

# WHO clinical staging criteria

- Stage 3
  - Weight loss (more than 10%)
  - More severe oral conditions:
    - Oral Candidiasis, oral leukoplakia, necrotizing stomatitis
  - Pulmonary TB (lymph node TB-peds)
  - Severe bacterial infections
  - Hematologic: anemia, neutopenia, thrombocytopenia
  - Chronic diarrhea
  - Chronic fever
  - Lymphocytic interstitial pneumonitis (Peds)

# WHO clinical staging criteria

- Stage 4
  - Wasting,
  - Recurrent bacterial pneumonia
  - Opportunistic infections:
    - Chronic HSV, esophageal candida, disseminated CMV, CNS toxo, disseminated fungal, disseminated MAC
  - Malignancies: KS, lymphoma, cervical CA
  - Organ dysfunction: CNS, heart, PCP

# CD4 Lymphocyte monitoring

- T cells
  - CD3/CD4+ cells = helper T cells
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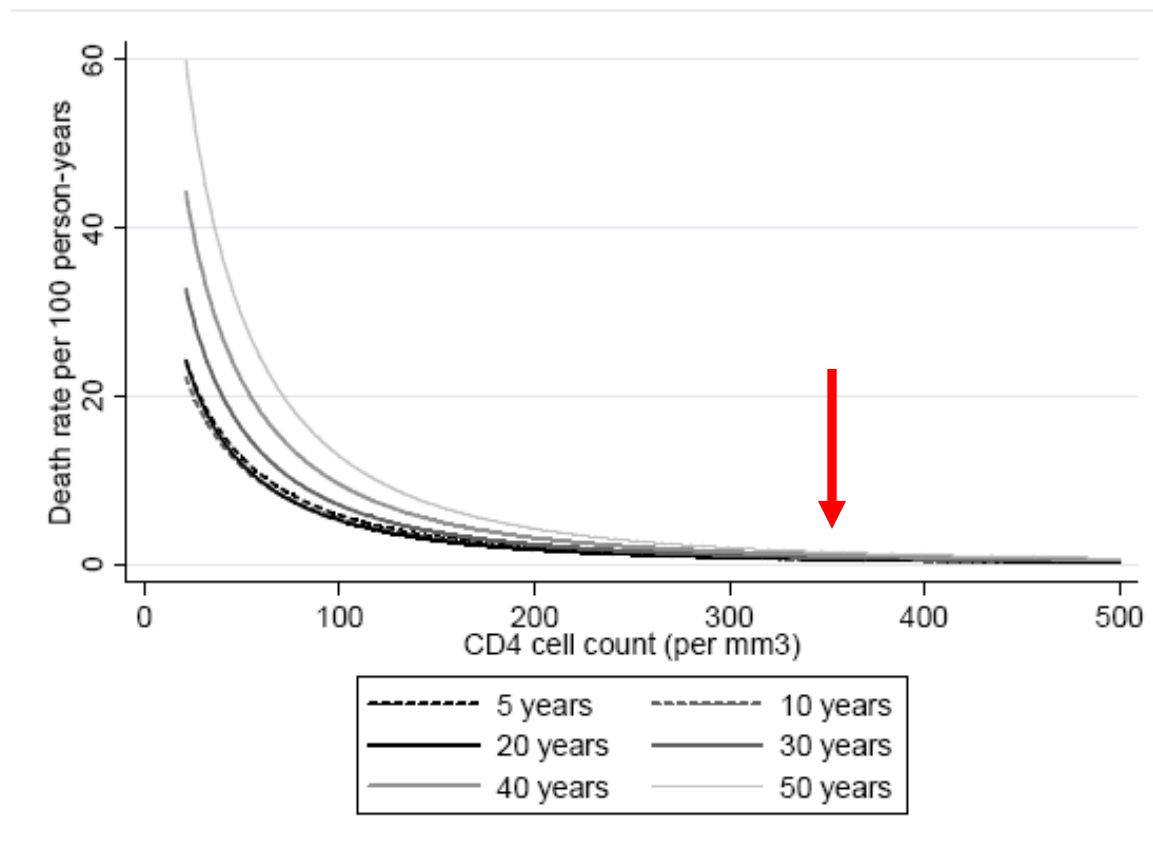
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# CD4 count cutoff for starting ARV

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adults</li><li>• Adolescents</li><li>• Children &gt; age 5yr</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CD4 count &lt; 350 cells/m<sup>3</sup></li></ul>                 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Children &gt; age 2-5yr</li></ul>                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CD4 count &lt; 750 cells/m<sup>3</sup> or CD4% &lt;25%</li></ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Children &lt;2yr</li></ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Any CD4 count or %</li></ul>                                     |

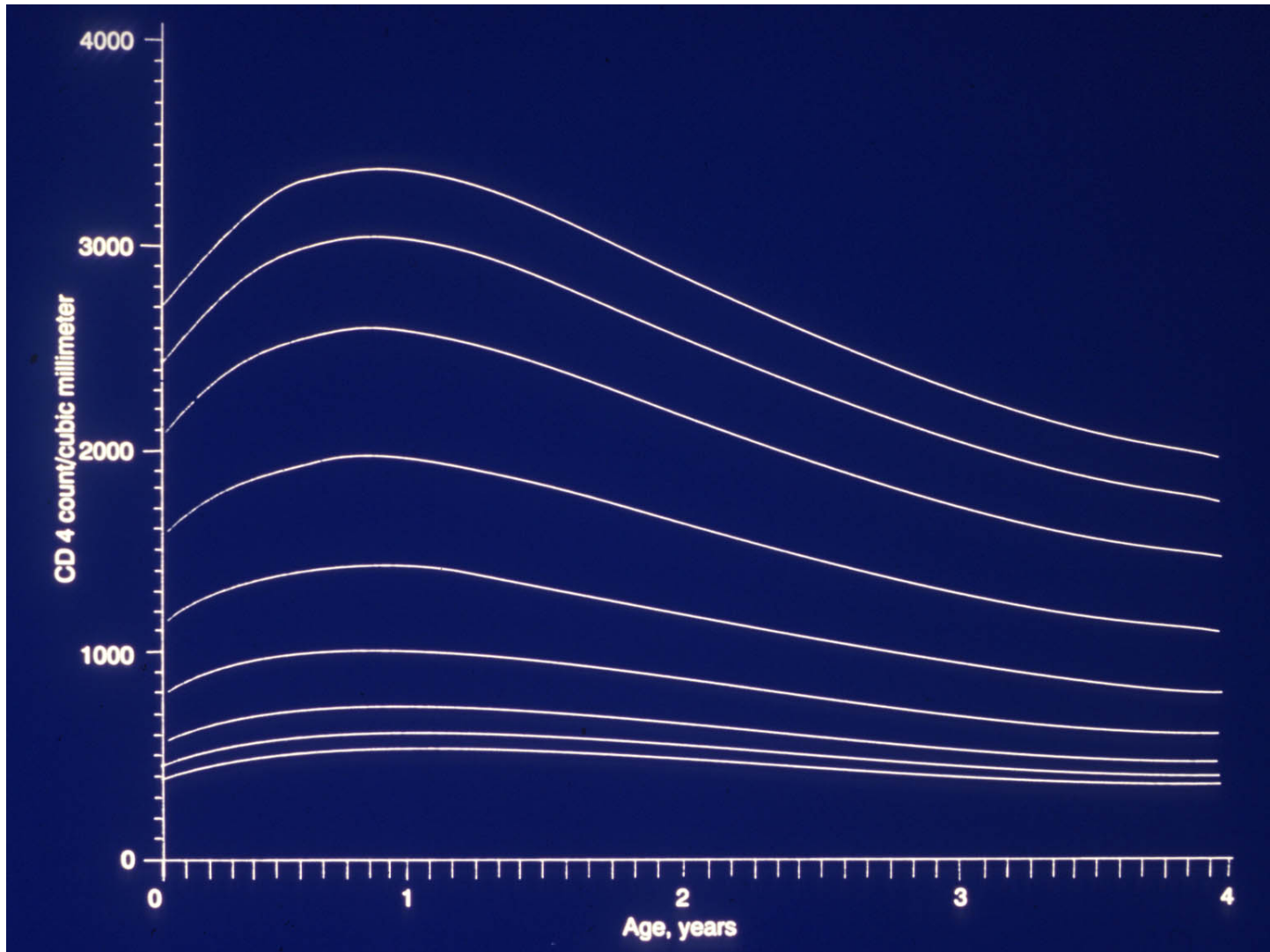
# HIV progression by CD4 count

**Figure 3: Death Rate per 100 Person-Years in HIV-Infected Children Age 5 Years or Older in the HIV Pediatric Prognostic Marker Collaborative Study and HIV-Infected Seroconverting Adults from the CASCADE Study\*** (Updated February 28, 2008)



\* Modified from HIV Paediatric Prognostic Markers Collaborative Study and the CASCADE Collaboration. *J Infect Dis* 2008 in press.

CD4 counts vary with age until age 5 yr



- Infant CD4 percentages do not change much by age
- CD4 >25% considered no evidence of immunosuppression

# When to initiate treatment--adults

- WHO clinical stage 3 and 4
- Active TB
- Hepatitis requiring treatment
- WHO clinical stage 1 and 2 if CD4 counts of  $\leq 350$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>
  - Estimated that 50% of WHO clinical stage 2 have a CD4 count of  $\leq 350$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>

# When to initiate treatment: children

- WHO Stage 3 or 4
- Age <2yr
- For age 2-5 yr, CD4 <25% or 750 cells/m<sup>3</sup>
- For age 5yr, CD4 <350 cells/m<sup>3</sup>



# HIV Medication Chart

## Nucleoside/Nucleotide Analogue Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTI)

**Emtriva\***  
(emtricitabine, FTC)



**Epivir\***  
(lamivudine, 3TC)



**Retrovir\***  
(zidovudine, AZT, ZDV)



**Videx EC**  
(didanosine, ddl)



**Viread**  
(tenofovir, TDF)\*



**Zerit\***  
(stavudine, d4T)

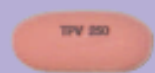


**Ziagen\***  
(abacavir, ABC)



## Protease Inhibitors (PI)

**Aptivus**  
(tipranavir, TPV)



**Crixivan**  
(indinavir, IDV)



**Invirase**  
(saquinavir hard gel capsules, SQV)



**Kaletra\***  
(lopinavir/ritonavir, LPV/r)



**Lexiva**  
(fosamprenavir, FPV)



**Norvir\***  
(ritonavir, RTV)



**Prezista**  
(darunavir, DRV)



**Reyataz**  
(atazanavir, ATV)



**Viracept**  
(nelfinavir, NFV)



## Fixed Dose Combinations

**Atripla**  
(TDF+FTC+EFV)



**Combivir**  
(AZT plus 3TC)



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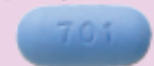
**Epzicom**  
(ABC plus 3TC)



**Trizivir**  
(AZT plus 3TC plus abacavir)



**Truvada**  
(TDF plus FTC)



## Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NNRTI)

**Intence**  
(etravirine, ETV)



**Rescriptor**  
(delavirdine, DLV)



**Sustiva\***  
(efavirenz, EFV)



**Viramune\***  
(nevirapine, NVP)



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## Entry Inhibitors

**Fuzeon**  
(enfuvirtide, T-20)  
Fusion Inhibitor



**Selzentry**  
(maraviroc, MVC)  
CCR5 Antagonist



## Integrase Inhibitors

**Isentress**  
(raltegravir, RAL)

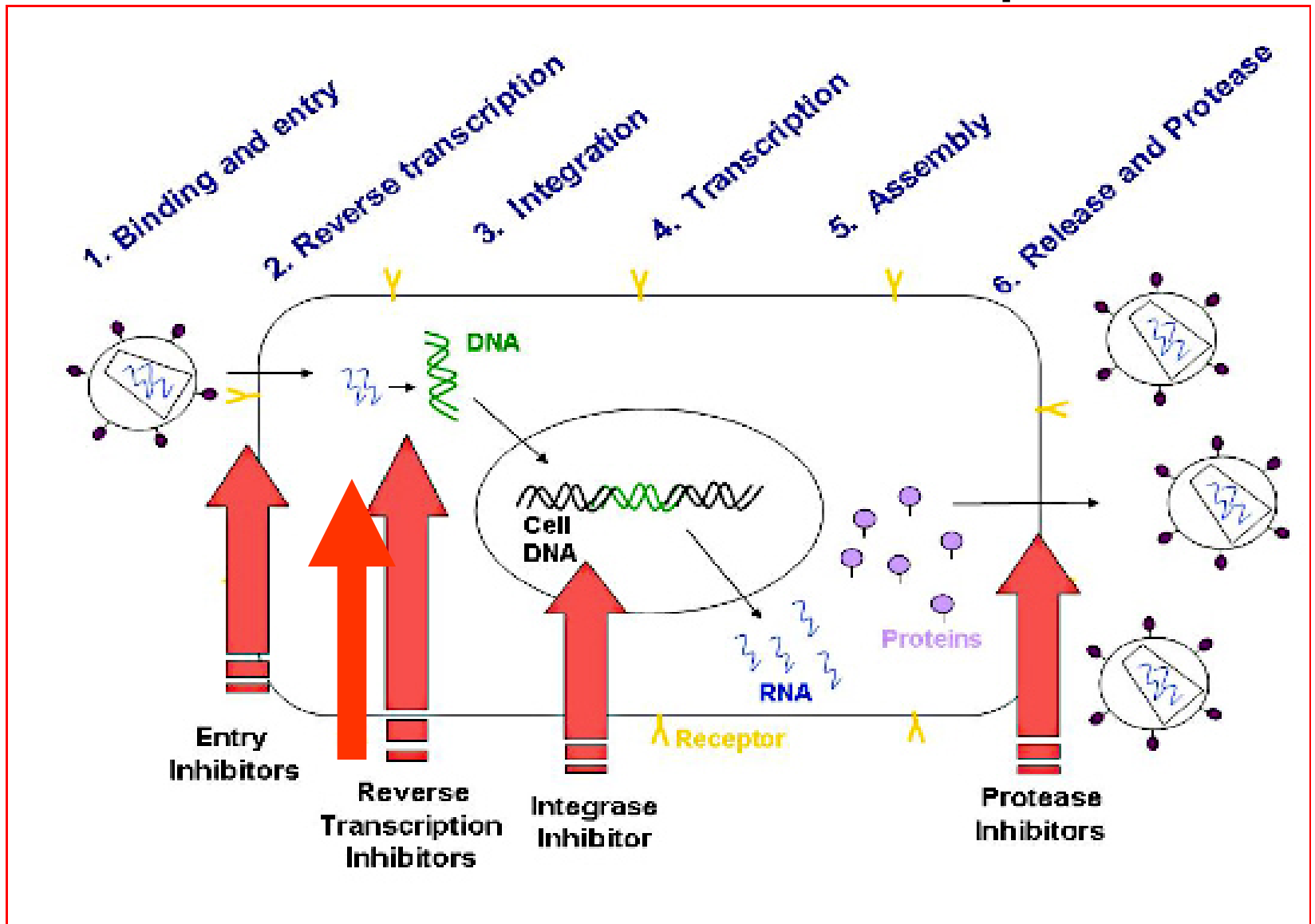


All pills shown in actual size.

Medication brand names appear in bold. Generic names and commonly used abbreviations appear in parentheses.

\* Also available in liquid form.

# New classes, new hope



# What to start:

## WHO recommendations for adults

- Two NRTI
  - 1) AZT or TDF
  - 2) 3TC or FTC
- One NNRTI
  - 3) NVP or EFV
- For children <3yr

Maybe boosted PI better than NNRTI



# How to monitor on treatment

- When Viral load testing available
  - Use it to determine failure
  - Test strategically or routinely (q 6 months)
  - Persistent VL >5000 = failure
- When not available
  - Use immunologic and clinical criteria

Table 12. ART switching criteria

Failure	Definition	Comments
Clinical failure	New or recurrent WHO stage 4 condition	<p>Condition must be differentiated from immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome (IRIS)</p> <p>Certain WHO clinical stage 3 conditions (e.g. pulmonary TB, severe bacterial infections), may be an indication of treatment failure</p>

Failure	Definition	Comments
<b>Immunological failure</b>	Fall of CD4 count to baseline (or below) OR 50% fall from on-treatment peak value OR Persistent CD4 levels below 100 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	Without concomitant infection to cause transient CD4 cell decrease
<b>Virological failure</b>	Plasma viral load above 5000 copies/ml	The optimal viral load threshold for defining virological failure has not been determined. Values of >5 000 copies/ml are associated with clinical progression and a decline in the CD4 cell count

# How to monitor on treatment:

## Side effects

- AZT
- TDF
- 3TC
- FTC
- NVP
- EFV
- Anemia, neutropenia
- Renal, bone
- Few
- Few
- Rash, hepatitis
- CNS, rash

# Principles of treatment

- Restore CD4 count
- Durable, complete viral suppression
- Life long treatment
  - High tolerability
  - High safety
- Avoid HIV resistance

# The challenge of resistance

- Approximately 10 trillion new virions made per day
- High mutation rate
- Estimated one mutation a each nucleotide each day

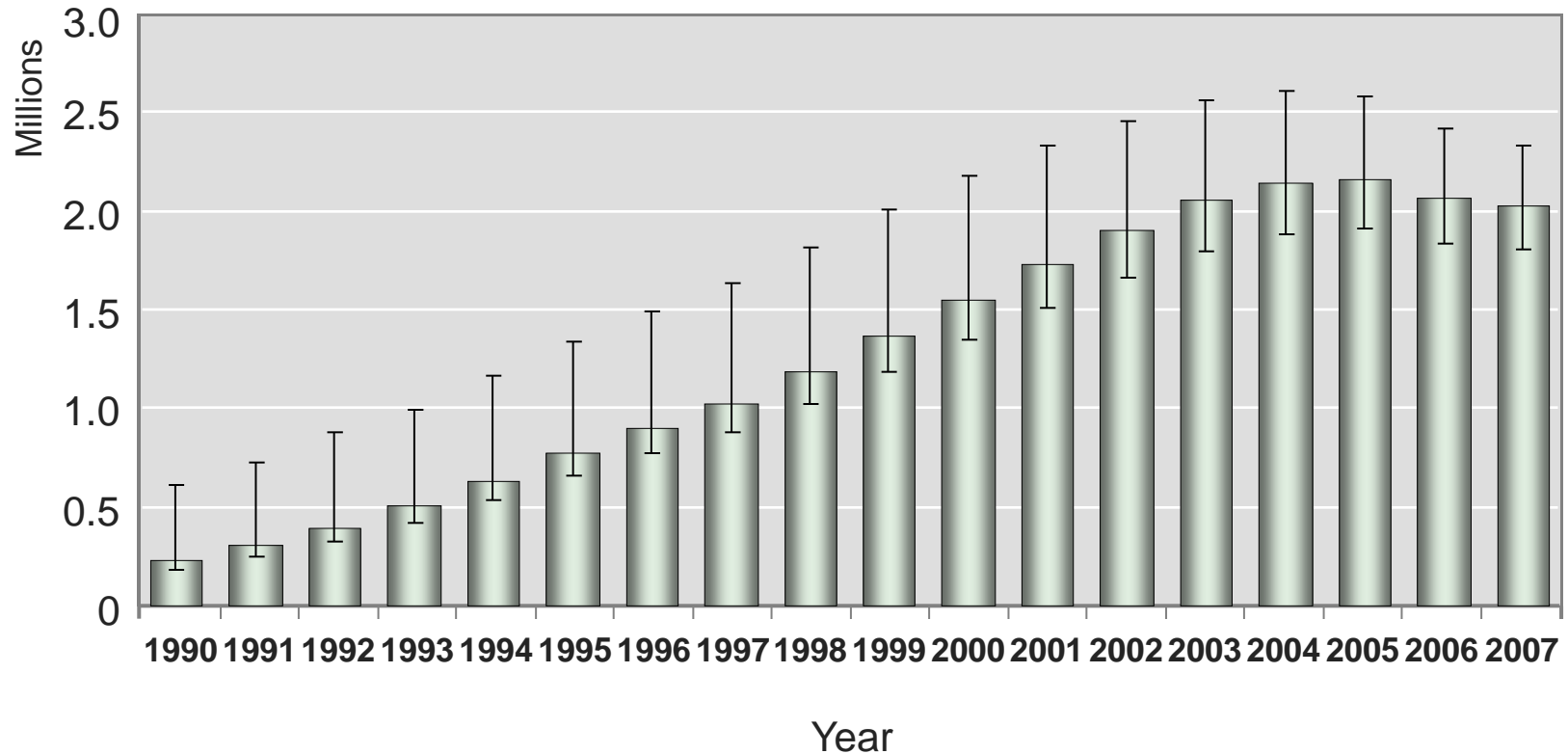
# Preventing resistance

- Need to stop all replication
  - No opportunity for mutations
- Need combination treatment w/at least 2 active drugs
  - Statistically unlikely that a particular virus will have mutations for two or three drugs
- Prefer drugs with high barrier to resistance
  - NVP, EVF, 3TC, FTC: one mutation, high level resistance; also cross drug resistance
- Avoid prolonged treatment with detectable virus
  - accumulation of mutations

# Concerns with current approach to ARV monitoring in LMIC

- May start with resistant virus
- Adherence/drug supply/logistics
  - Needs to be better than 90% of doses
- 1<sup>st</sup> line regimens have low barrier to resistance
  - Less likely with PI's but other disadvantages
- Lack of viral load monitoring may result in delay to switch of failing regimen
  - Accumulation of TAMS (thymidine analogue mutations) which may result in broad cross resistance
  - Less likely with TDF

# Estimated number of adult and child deaths due to AIDS globally, 1990–2007



 *This bar indicates the range*

