

# Proposal for new Banff Working Group: Transplantation HIV+ to HIV+

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Current: Shire ViroPharma, Inc.- Local pathologist in multicenter study

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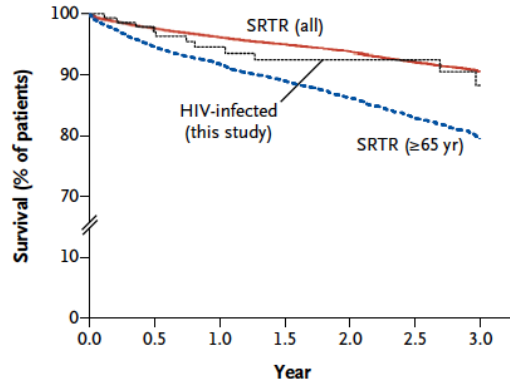
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# CKD/ESRD in HIV

- 10-30% prevalence of chronic kidney disease
  - HIV-associated nephropathy, IC GN
  - Antiretroviral toxicity
  - Hypertension, diabetes, cardiovascular
- More than 10,000 HIV+ individuals on dialysis
- 14 fold increase in prevalent cases between 1999-2010
- Shorter survival of HIV+ individuals with ESRD than HIV- subjects
- **Transplantation has become available for HIV+ subjects in US and in other countries, with good outcomes**

# Transplantation HIV- to HIV+

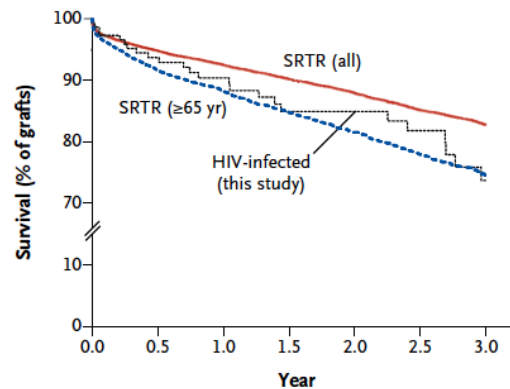
**A Patient Survival**



**No. at Risk**

SRTR (all)	29,928	16,792	6508
HIV-infected (this study)	96	68	36
SRTR (≥65 yr)	4,226	2,215	836

**B Graft Survival**



**No. at Risk**

SRTR (all)	29,064	16,114	6215
HIV-infected (this study)	93	64	31
SRTR (≥65 yr)	4,103	2,133	807

## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

### Outcomes of Kidney Transplantation in HIV-Infected Recipients

Peter G. Stock, M.D., Ph.D., Burc Barin, M.S., Barbara Murphy, M.D., Douglas Hanto, M.D., Ph.D., Jorge M. Diego, M.D., Jimmy Light, M.D., Charles Davis, M.D., Emily Blumberg, M.D., David Simon, M.D., Ph.D., Aruna Subramanian, M.D., J. Michael Millis, M.D., G. Marshall Lyon, M.D., Kenneth Brayman, M.D., Doug Slakey, M.D., Ron Shapiro, M.D., Joseph Melancon, M.D., Jeffrey M. Jacobson, M.D., Valentina Stosor, M.D., Jean L. Olson, M.D., Donald M. Stablein, Ph.D., and Michelle E. Roland, M.D. for the HIV-TR Investigators

**Stock PG et al**  
**NEJM 2010;363:2004-2014.**

**N = 150**

**Patient survival**  
**1 yr: 95%; 3 yr: 91%**

**Graft survival**  
**1 yr: 90%; 3 yr: 77%**

[Kumar MS<sup>1</sup>](#), et al: Safety and success of kidney transplantation and concomitant immunosuppression in HIV-positive patients (n=40, **US**).

[Kidney Int.](#) 2005 Apr;67(4):1622-9

**Patient: 1yr: 85%; 2yr: 82%**

**Graft: 1yr: 75%; 2yr: 71%**

[Qiu J<sup>1</sup>](#), et al: HIV-positive renal recipients can achieve survival rates similar to those of HIV-negative patients (n=38, **US**)

[Transplantation.](#) 2006 Jun 27;81(12):1658-61.

**Patient: 5yr: 91%**

**Graft: 5yr: 76%**

[Touzot M<sup>1</sup>](#), et al: Renal transplantation in HIV-infected patients: the **Paris** experience (n= 27).

[Am J Transplant.](#) 2010 Oct;10(10):2263-9.

**Patient: 1yr: 100%; 2yr: 98%**

**Graft: 1yr: 98%; 2yr: 96%**

[Gathogo EN<sup>1</sup>](#), et al: Kidney transplantation in HIV-positive adults: the **UK** experience (n=35).

[Int J STD AIDS.](#) 2014 Jan;25(1):57-66.

**Patient: 1yr: 91%; 3yr: 91%**

**Graft: 1yr: 91%; 3yr: 84%**



# South Africa Experience

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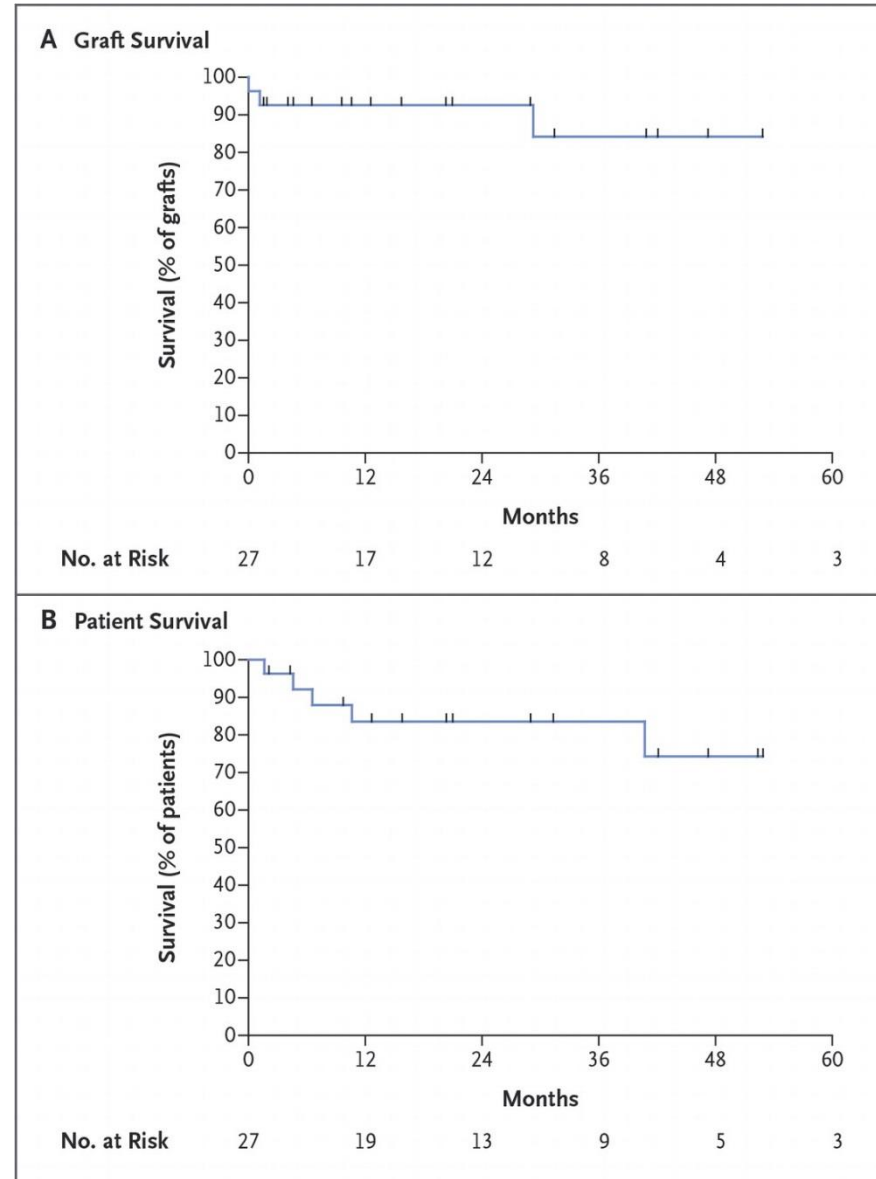
Muller et al, NEJM 2015: 372:613-620

HIV+ to HIV+ kidney transplantation: Results at 3 and 5 years



**Graft and patient survival among  
27 HIV+ patients who received  
Kidney transplant from HIV+ donor**

**Graft survival:**  
**1 year 93%**  
**3 years 84%**  
**5 years 84%**



## National Organ Transplant Act, 1984/88 42 CFR 121.6 Sect 372(b):

*“requires the Organ Procurement and Transplant Network (OPTN) to adopt and use standards for preventing the acquisition of organs from individuals known to be infected with HIV.”*

## HOPE (HIV Organ Policy Equity HOPE ACT)

Passed by US Congress in November 2013, DHHS revoked ban on HIV+ donors in June 2015

Legalized transplant from HIV+ donor to HIV+ recipients

Only in the setting of an approved research protocol

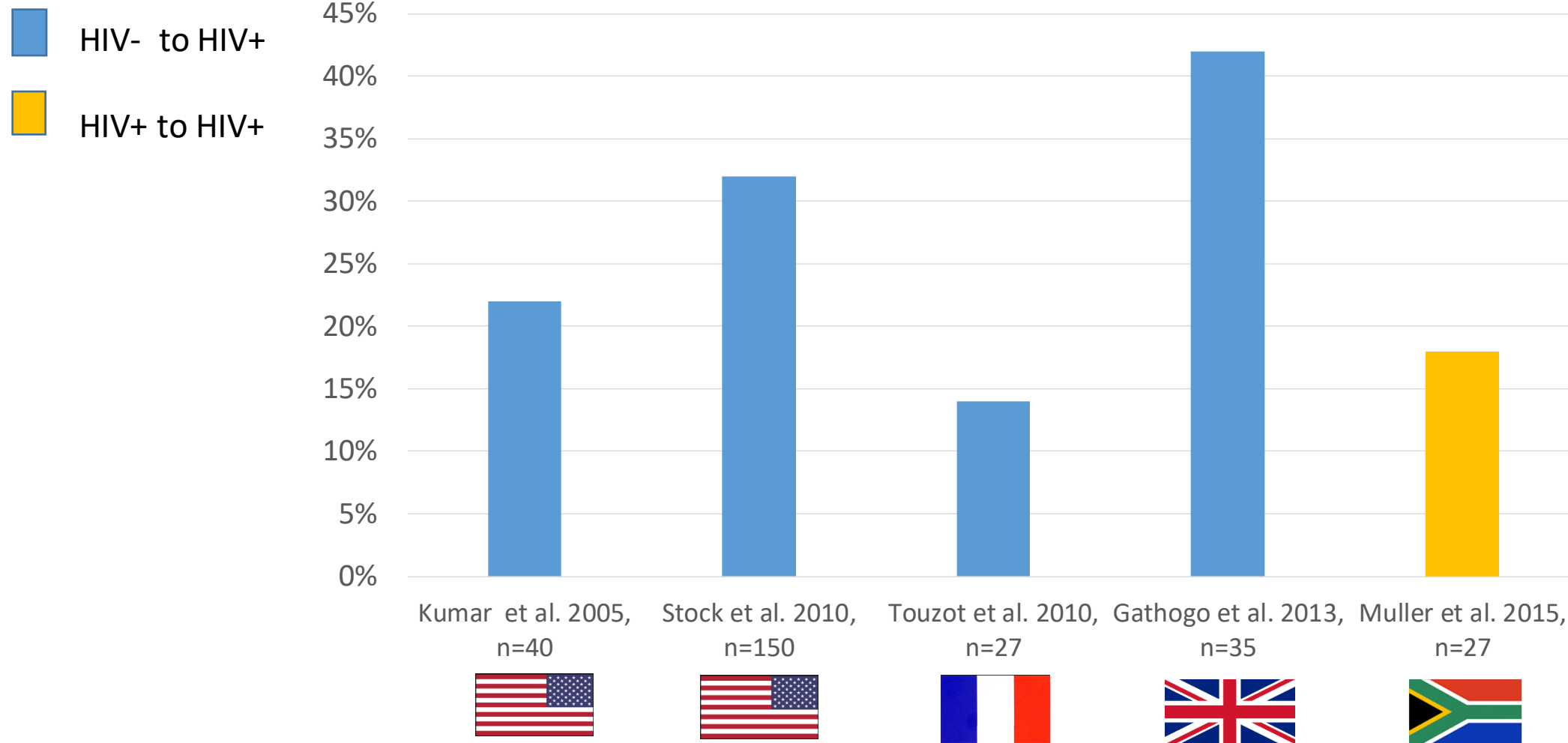
- Directs the Secretary to revise current regulations (specifically, 42 CFR 121.6)
- Directs Secretary to publish research criteria relating to HIV+ to HIV+ transplant
- Requires the OPTN to revise standards for the acquisition and transportation of donated HIV+ organs
- The HOPE Act states that “not later than 4 years after the date of enactment and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall review the results of scientific research in conjunction with the OPTN to determine whether the results warrant revision of the standards of quality.”

## Estimating the Potential Pool of HIV-Infected Deceased Organ Donors in The United States

- 500-600 donors per year

# Increased incidence of rejection in HIV+ recipients

Variable incidence of rejection in different studies in cohorts from different nations



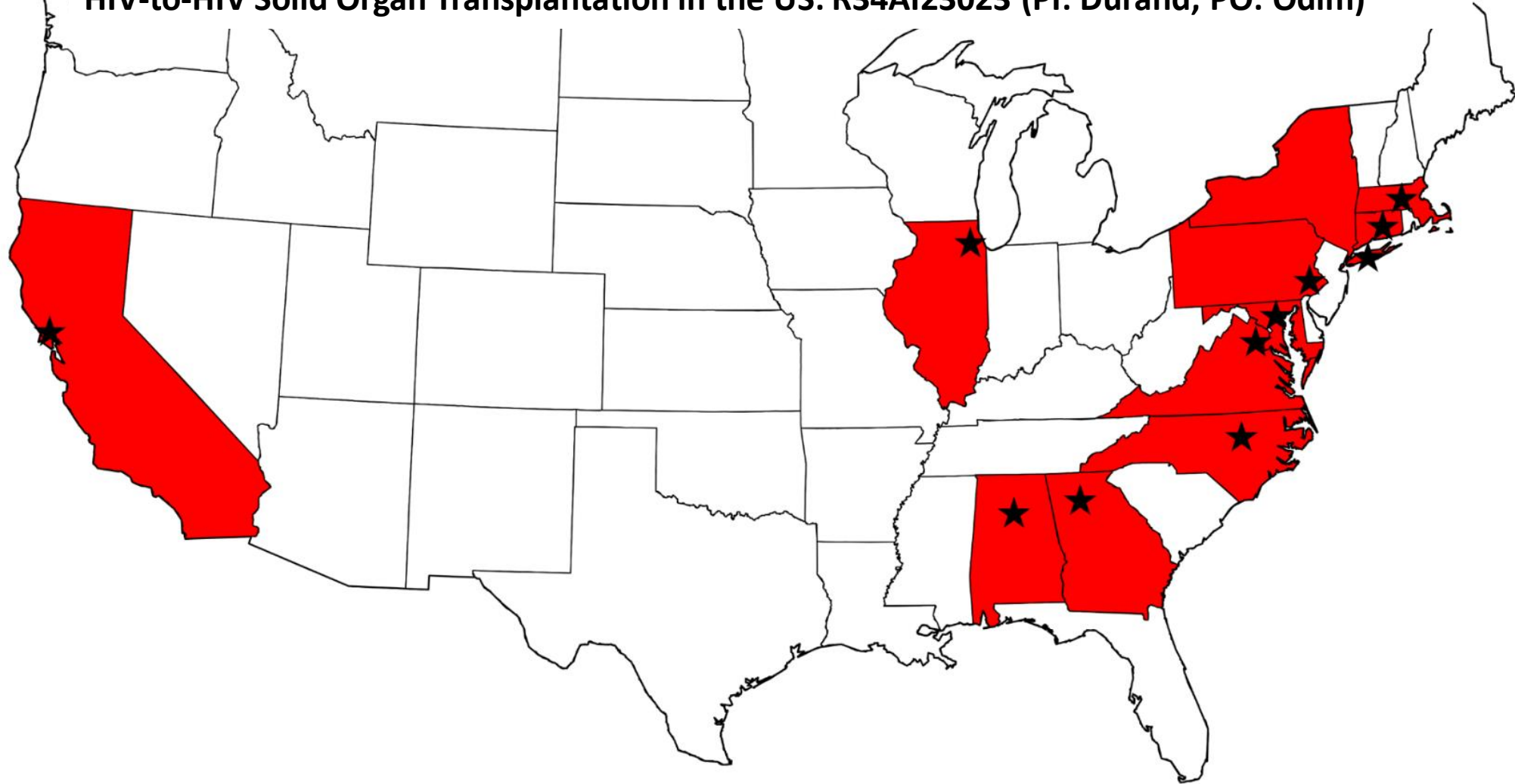
# Key differences: US and S Africa

	South Africa	US
Population	53 million	316 million
Persons living with HIV	5.6 million	1.1 million
HIV+ prevalence	17.8%	0.6%
Predominant subtype	C	B
Annual HIV+ deaths	310,000	17,000
Transmitted drug resistance	< 5%	10-18%
Transplant wait list	4300	123,992
Transplant per year	229	16,896



Considering these key differences the only way to learn if the use of HIVDD is feasible, safe, and effective in the US is with a carefully designed clinical trial. Planning grant:

**HIV-to-HIV Solid Organ Transplantation in the US: R34AI23023 (PI: Durand; PO: Odim)**



Columbia/New York-Presbyterian  
Duke University Hospital  
Emory University Hospital  
Georgetown University Medical Center

Hahnemann University Hospital  
Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania  
The Johns Hopkins Hospital  
Massachusetts General Hospital

Mount Sinai Medical Center  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital  
Rush University Medical Center  
University of Alabama at Birmingham

University of California, San Francisco  
University of Maryland Medical System  
Weill Cornell Medical Center  
Yale New Haven Hospital

# Non inferiority of kidney transplants from HIV+ deceased donors compared to kidney transplants from an HIV-negative donors

## Primary Endpoints

Composite event HIV related complications

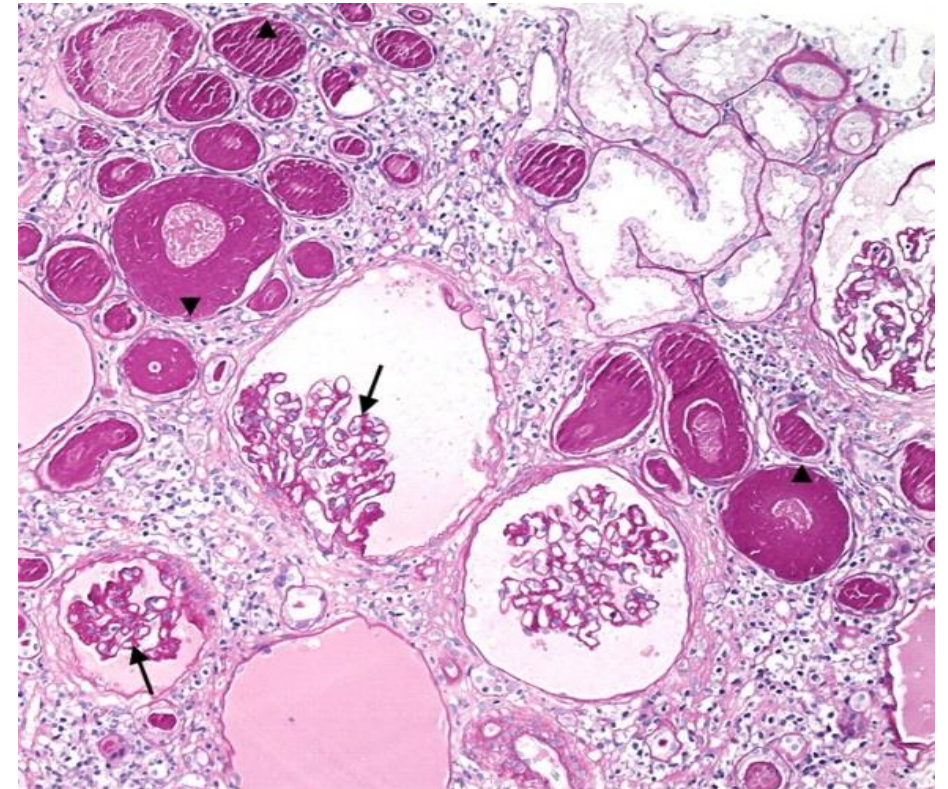
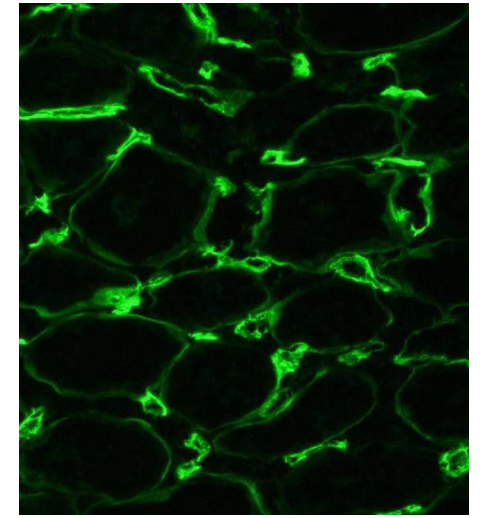
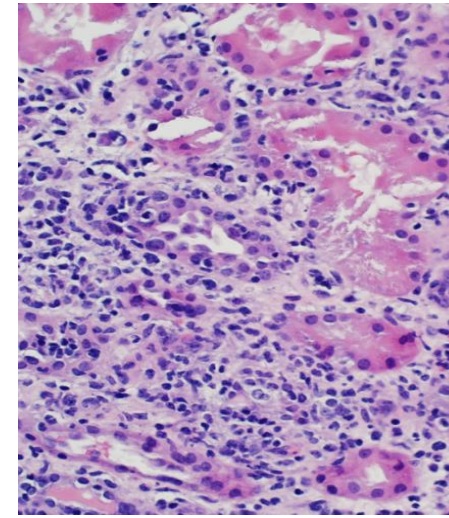
- HIV breakthrough or virologic failure
- AIDS defining illness
- Allograft rejection

## Secondary outcomes

- Patient survival
- Graft survival
- Graft function
- Donor specific antibodies at 1 year
- HIV viral load
- CD4 count
- ART resistance
- X4 virus
- Non AIDS infections
- Surgical complications
- HIV-associated renal disease
- Viral malignancies

# Pathology

- Allograft rejection
- Drug toxicity and interstitial nephritis (anti-retroviral, anti rejection, others)
- HIV associated Nephropathy (HIVAN)
- Immune Complex mediated glomerulopathies
- FSGS without HIVAN features
- Superinfection
- Infection involving the graft
- Diabetes
- Thrombotic microangiopathy
- Paraprotein-related disease
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Banff score summary
Banff scores (0,1,2,3)
g
i
t
v
ah
cg
ci (% cortex)
ct (% cortex)
cv
mm
cv
ti
ptc (0,1,2,3), focal/diffuse
C4d (0,1,2,3)

LIGHT MICROSCOPY (not Banff)
Glomeruli total N
Glom Global sclerosis N
Glom Segm sclerosis N
Glom Ischemic changes
Glom fibrin thrombi
Glom fragmented RBC
Glom hypercellularity
Glom necrotizing lesion
Glom crescents
Glom collapsing changes
Glom mesangiolysis
<b>Tubules</b>
Tubular injury
Isometric vacuolization
Microcystic changes
Viral Cytopatic changes
BK, CMV, Adeno (specify)
<b>Interstitium</b>
Edema
Inflammation cell type
Lymphocytes
Plasmacells
Neutrophils
Eosinophils (> 5/20X HPF)
Histiocytes

Pathologic Features	
IF	IMMUNOSTAINS
IgG (0,1+,2+,3+,4+)	SV40
IgA	EB in situ (EBER)
IgM	CMV
C3	Adenovirus
C1q	Herpes V
Kappa	Kappa V
Lambda	Lambda
Albumin	IgG4
Fibrinogen	C4d
PLA2R	(CD3, CD20, CD68, CD34.....)
IgG 1	
IgG 2	
IgG 3	
IgG 4	
C4d	
C3d	

ELECTRON MICROSCOPY	FINAL DIAGNOSIS:
Glomeruli (n examined)	Adequacy (Y/N)
GBM folded/wrinkled	No rejection/Unremarkable
GBM thickness: normal, increased, low (nm)	Borderline for rejection
GBM widened subendothelial space	Rejection
GBM cytoplasmic interposition / double contours	Cell mediated IA
Endothelial cells enlarged	Cell mediated IB
Endothelial loss of fenestration	Cell mediated IIA
Intracapillary inflammatory cells	Cell mediated IIB
Podocyte enlargement	Antibody mediated active
Podocyte microvillous transformation	Antibody mediated chronic
Podocyte foot process effacement	Concerning for AMR check DSA
present : %	Mixed rejection
Mesangial expansion	Isolated V lesion
Deposits (present/absent)	Thrombotic microangiopathy
Deposits Localization: subepithelial	Tubular injury
intramembranous	BK nephropathy
subendothelial	Pyelonephritis/Infection
mesangial	HIVAN
Deposit substructure	FSGS
Tubuloreticular inclusions in endothelial cells	HIVICK
Peritubular capillaries basal lamina N layers	Glomerulopathies (other)
Deposits in tubular basement membrane	.....
Tubular cell crystalline inclusions	
Tubular mitochondrial abnormalities	

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Delayed rejection
Delayed V lesion
Ischemic microangiopathy
Acute tubular injury
Chronic tubulopathy
Pyelonephritis/Infection
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## Pathologic Features

- Uniform and detailed histological analysis of biopsy tissue
- Correlation of morphological tissue interrogation with clinical, molecular and experimental data collected on transplant donors and recipients.

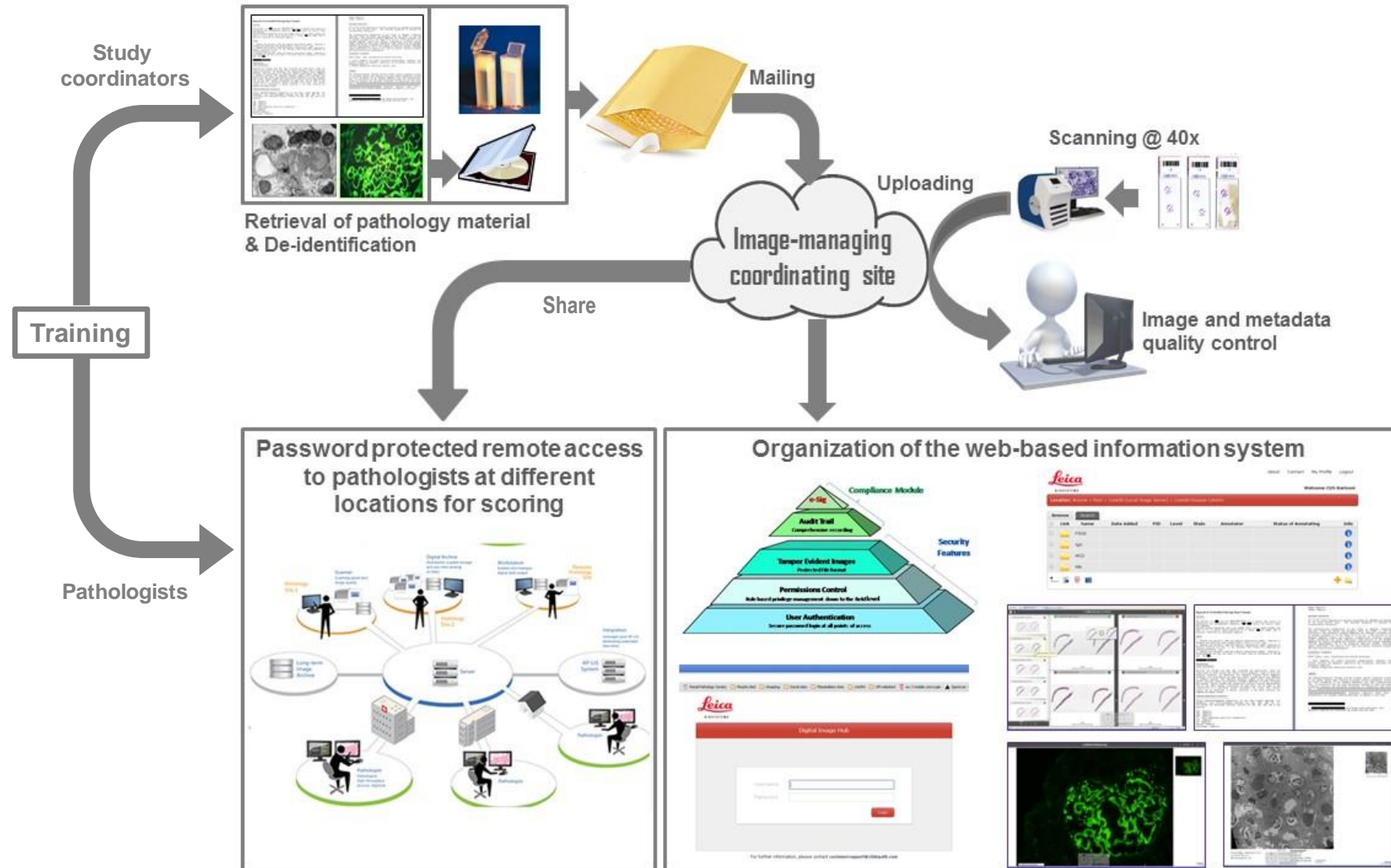
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- **Test concordance on features and diagnoses on allograft biopsies:**
  - Whole slide imaging (WSI) of slides, digital images IF and EM accessible through a website
  - Scoring sheet for LM, IF and EM features and diagnoses of each case
  - Webinars
- **Test reproducibility: Apply agreed scoring method to a sufficiently large number of available WSI of HIV allograft biopsies to examine the reproducibility of scoring among participating pathologists**
- **Examine relation / predictive value of specific features and diagnoses to rates of deterioration of graft function, selected outcomes, selected clinical/research parameters.**
- **Facilitate comparisons of results from different clinical trial**



## SUMMARY

- HIV+ to HIV+ transplantation offers additional options for HIV+ patients with ESRD and liver failure. A number of national and international centers are embarking in HIV+ to HIV+ transplantation.
- HIV+ transplant recipients pose specific challenges
- Consensus on standardized histology diagnostic criteria for graft rejection as well as uniform criteria for evaluation of HIV-related allograft lesions is needed. Adherence to uniform histologic criteria are important in multicenter clinical trials.
- The main goal of this new Banff working group is to gather US and international pathologists and specialists from different medical fields to share their experience, and to develop consensus and evidence-based guidelines for these types of transplants.

THANK YOU