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Title of Abstract: **Declining Prevalence of Drug Interactions Between Antiretroviral and Other Drugs in Antiretroviral Therapy (ART)-Treated Persons in British Columbia (BC), 2010-2016**

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Abstract

Background: Drug interactions (DI) between antiretroviral (ARV) and non-ARV ("ARV+Other") medications are potentially harmful. This observational study sought to characterize possible changes in prevalence of ARV+Other drug DIs over time, during a period of evolving ART prescribing patterns.

Methods: Linked health administrative data were obtained from BC's Seek and Treat for Optimal Prevention of HIV/AIDS (STOP-HIV/AIDS) population-based cohort. HIV-1-infected adults (≥ 19 years) were included in each calendar year they received ART, between 01-Jan-2010 and 31-Dec-2016. Co-prescribed ARV+Other drug combinations were identified from prescription data, and DIs assessed using HIV DI databases (see Table footnote). The annual proportion of persons with ≥ 1 "Caution" or "Avoid" DI was calculated for all ART-treated persons, and for ARV class-specific DIs. Trends in DI prevalence over time were tested by generalized linear mixed models, adjusted for age and sex.

Results: In total, 9035 persons were included. Table 1 shows demographics, ARV use, and DIs by year. From 2010 to 2016, prevalence of any ARV+Other drug DI declined from 76% to 61% ($p < 0.001$) and "avoid" DIs declined from 4.9% to 2.8% ($p < 0.001$). Within ARV classes, DI prevalence was highest for PIs and hepatic enzyme-inducing NNRTIs ($> 60\%$) and lowest for unboosted INSTIs (11%). The downward trend in overall prevalence of ARV+Other drug DIs mirrored an observed prescribing shift from PIs and NNRTIs towards unboosted INSTIs (see Table).

Conclusions: Although prevalence of ARV+Other drug DIs has declined in recent years, DIs of potential clinical importance affect more than half of ART-treated persons annually; therefore, monitoring remains important.

Demographic Characteristics, Antiretroviral (ARV) Usage and Drug Interaction (DI) Prevalence 2010-2016 (showing three representative years).			
Variable	2010	2013	2016
Population Characteristics, n (% N-All ART treated)			
N-All ART-treated	5949	6944	7585
Age, median (Q1-Q3) years	47 (41-53)	48 (41-55)	50 (42-57)

Biological sex, male	4976 (84)	5758 (83)	6299 (83)
≥1 Other co-prescribed drug	5272 (89)	6122 (88)	6519 (86)
Overall prevalence of ARV+Other Drug Interactions (% of N-All ART-treated)			
≥1 Caution or Avoid DI	4494 (76)	4962 (71)	4648 (61)*
≥1 Avoid DI	294 (4.9)	250 (3.6)	211 (2.8)*
Distinct ARV+Other drug DI, median (Q1-Q3), among persons with any DI	3 (2-5)	3 (1-5)	2 (1-4)*
Prevalence of class-specific ARV+Other drug interactions (DI), for commonly prescribed ARV classes			
Boosted PI, (% of N-All)	3547 (60)	3821 (55)	3492 (46)
<i>Any DI (% of Boosted PI)</i>	<i>2801 (79)</i>	<i>2990 (78)</i>	<i>2571 (74)</i>
Unboosted PI, (% of N-All)	221 (4)	254 (4)	186 (3)
<i>Any DI (% of Unboosted PI)</i>	<i>151 (68)</i>	<i>178 (70)</i>	<i>122 (66)</i>
NNRTI-Inducer, (% of N-All)	2685 (45)	2914 (42)	2275 (30)
<i>Any DI (% of NNRTI-Inducer)</i>	<i>1731 (64)</i>	<i>1787 (61)</i>	<i>1355 (60)</i>
NNRTI-Rilpivirine (% of N-All)	0	271 (4)	300 (4)
<i>Any DI (% of NNRTI-Rilpivirine)</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>34 (13)</i>	<i>56 (19)</i>
Boosted INSTI, (% of N-All)	0	136 (2)	674 (9)
<i>Any DI (% of Boosted INSTI)</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>59 (43)</i>	<i>392 (58)</i>
Unboosted INSTI, (% of N-All)	643 (11)	1050 (15)	2460 (32)
<i>Any DI (% of Unboosted INSTI)</i>	<i>67 (10)</i>	<i>117 (11)</i>	<i>273 (11)</i>
<p>N-All ART-treated, number of persons receiving Antiretroviral Therapy in that year; Other drug, co-prescribed non-ARV medication; Caution or Avoid DI, ARV+Other drug interaction with "Caution" or "Avoid" classification, assessed by HIV clinicians based on University of Liverpool and Toronto General Hospital HIV DI databases; Any DI, ≥1 Caution or Avoid DI; Boosted PI, ritonavir or cobicistat-boosted Protease Inhibitor (atazanavir, darunavir, lopinavir, fosamprenavir, indinavir, saquinavir, tipranavir); Unboosted PI, atazanavir, nelfinavir; NNRTI-Inducer, Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors which induce hepatic enzymes (efavirenz, nevirapine, etravirine); Boosted INSTI, boosted Integrase Strand Transfer Inhibitor (elvitegravir-cobicistat); Unboosted INSTI, dolutegravir, raltegravir. *Declining trend 2010-2016, $p < 0.001$, tested by generalized linear mixed models, adjusted for age and sex, using data from all years.</p>			