

New Tools and New Strategies for Controlling HIV-Related Tuberculosis

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Tools for Treating and Preventing TB in HIV-infected People

<u>Tools</u>	<u>Currently Available</u>	<u>In Development</u>
Diagnosics	Sputum smear (ZN, auramine) Culture (LJ) Rapid culture (MGIT, BACTEC) NAA tests (TMA, RT-PCR)	Simple rapid cultures Immunodiagnosics Antigen-based detection
Treatment	First line drugs (IRZES) Second line drugs for MDR TB (Fluoroquinolones)	Fluoroquinolones Diarylquinolines Nitroimidazopyrans Ethambutol analogues Others
Preventive therapy	INH, INH/RIF	Rifapentine/INH
Other	ARVs Infection Control	?

Strategies for Controlling HIV-Related Tuberculosis: How are tools applied to reduce burden of disease?

<u>Tools</u>	<u>Current Strategies</u>	<u>Future Strategies</u>
Diagnosics	<p>Diagnose symptomatic patients who present to health services.</p> <p>Rely on test (ZN) with 50% sensitivity</p> <p>Algorithm for smear negatives</p>	<p>Active case finding</p> <p>Contact evaluations</p> <p>Use of new technologies</p> <p>Joint TB/HIV case finding</p>
Treatment	<p>DOTS with first line drugs</p> <p>INH/EMB continuation phase in many settings</p>	<p>Shortened treatment</p> <p>Intermittent treatment</p> <p>Avoid drug interactions</p>
Preventive therapy	<p>Primary INH PT for limited time</p>	<p>New regimens (e.g., RPT)</p> <p>Continuous INH</p> <p>Secondary PT</p> <p>Mass PT</p>
Other	<p>ARVs for advanced disease</p> <p>No infection control</p>	<p>Earlier ARVs</p> <p>Enhanced infection control</p>

Need for New Diagnostic Tests and Strategies

- <50% of cases detected in DOTS programs
- Smear sensitivity only 50%, less in HIV+
- High incidence of smear negative TB with high mortality
- Prevalence of active TB in many communities ~1%
- Good yield for active case finding

Rapid(er), simple culture methods

TK Medium

Colorimetric culture system

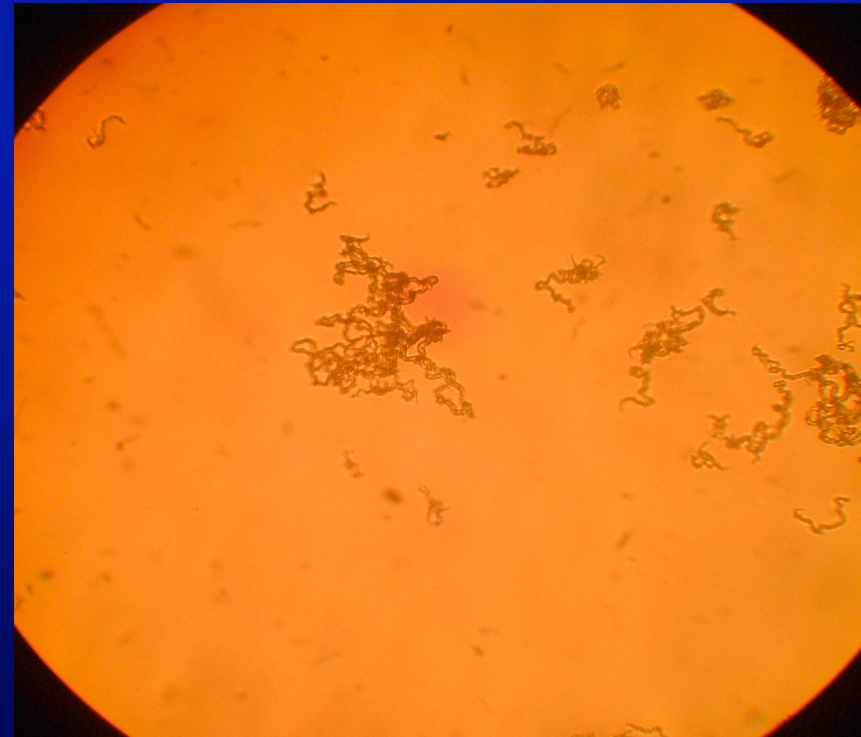
Results in 7-10 days



MODS System

Microscopic observation

Results in 5-10 days



Active TB Case Finding in HIV+ Women in pMTCT Programs in Soweto, South Africa

Study 1:

438 HIV+ women in nevirapine project given PPD

- 49% of 438 women are PPD+
- 13 have active TB (6% PPD+, 3% total)

Study 2:

366 pregnant women in community pMTCT program assessed by symptoms

- 8 have active TB (2.2%)
- Interview questions added 3 minutes to routine ANC visit

Nachega et al., AIDS 2003; Kali et al., WAC Bangkok, 2005

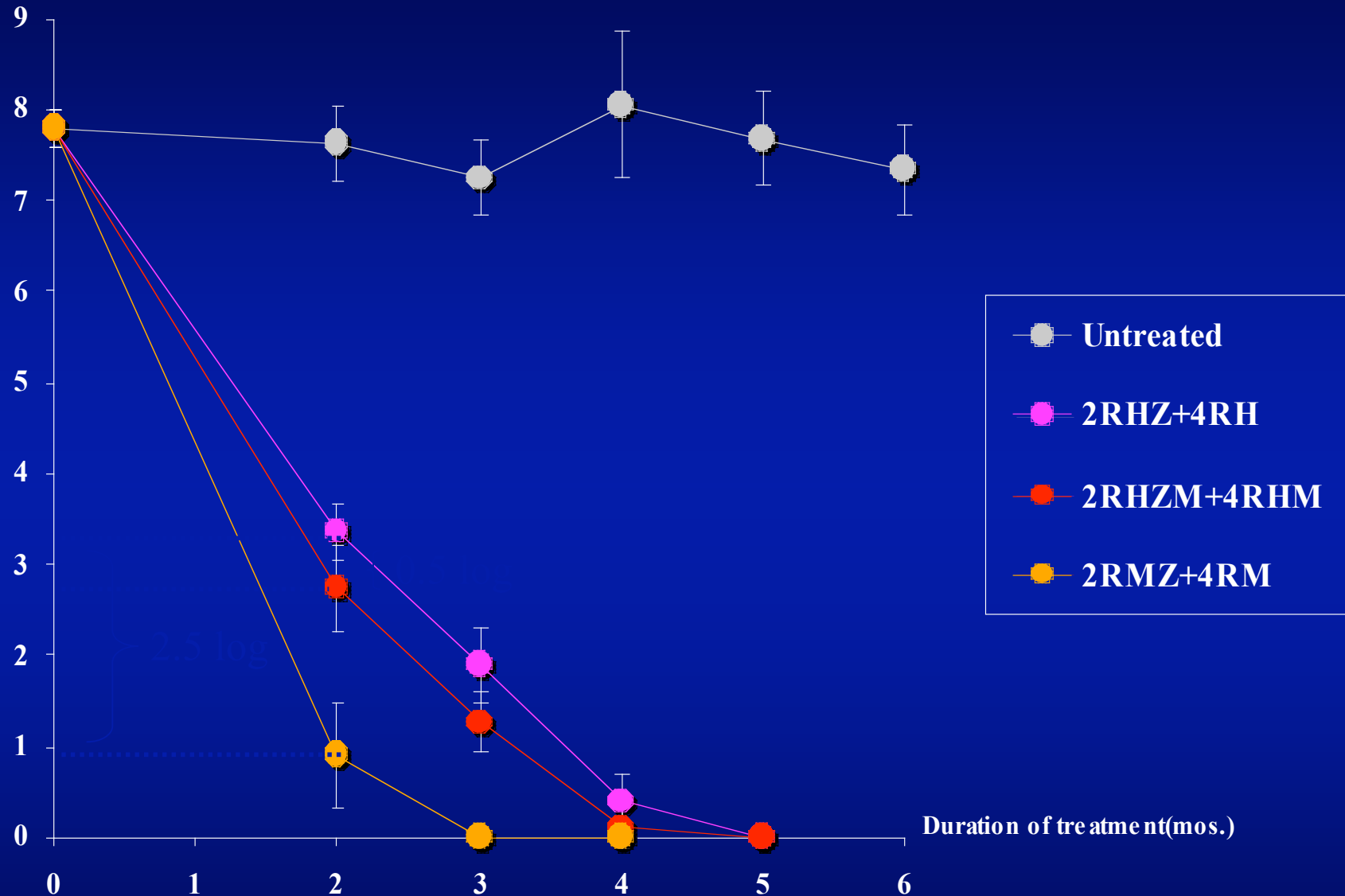
Improving TB Treatment Options for HIV/TB (and all TB) Patients

- Globally, ~40% of *diagnosed* TB patients fail to complete therapy
- Poor adherence associated with long (6-8 months) regimens
- Shorter duration regimens would improve treatment completion rates
- Regimens that can be easily given with ARVs urgently needed

New Drugs for TB

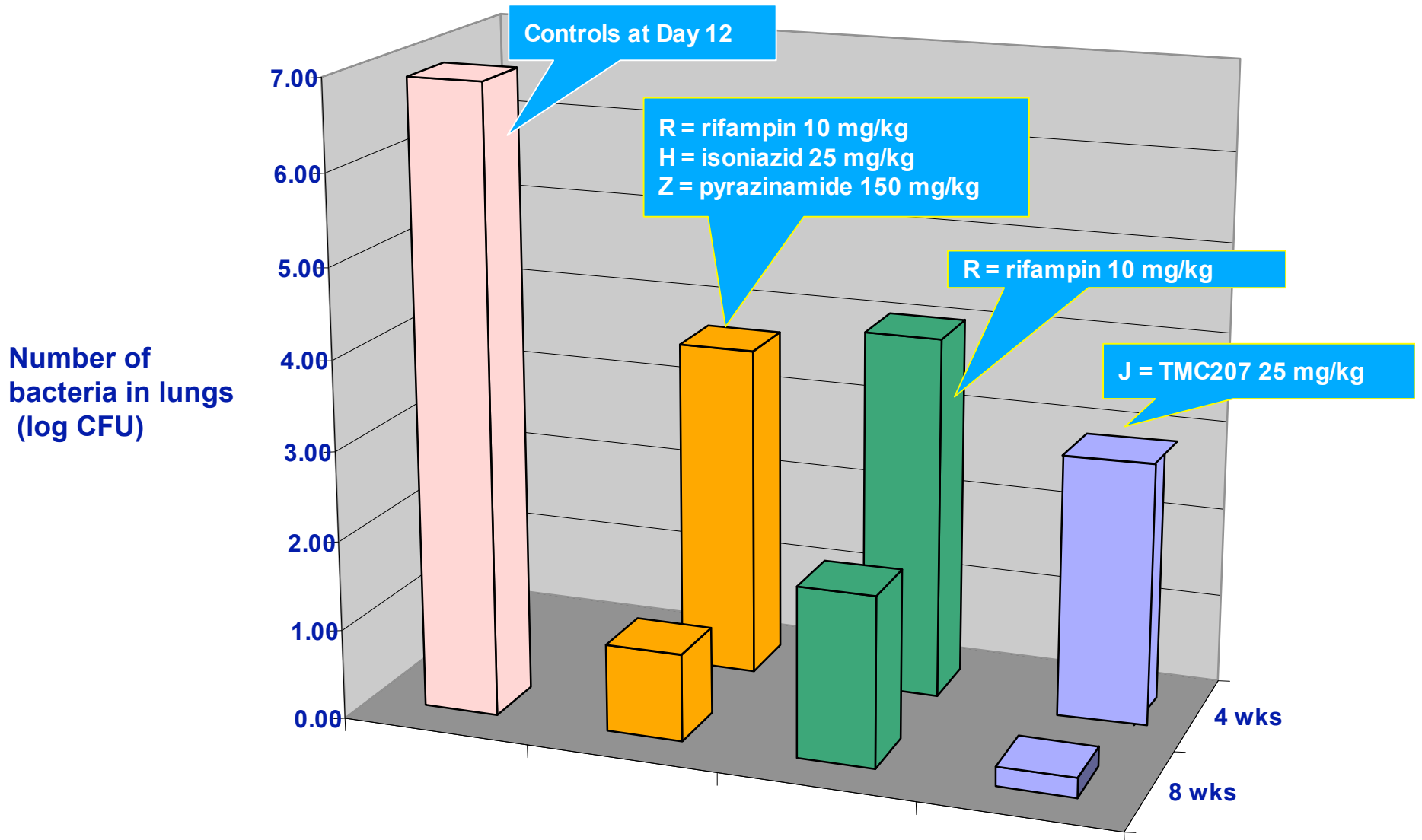
- Fluoroquinolones
 - Moxifloxacin
 - Gatifloxacin
- TMC 207 (diarylquinoline)
- PA-824 (nitroimidopyran)
- Others

Log₁₀ CFU in
entire lung



Effect of Moxi added or substituted for INH on log₁₀ CFU counts from lung in mice with TB (Nuermberger et al., 2004)

TMC207 Activity in Established Mouse Model



Andries et al. Science 2005;307:223

(Treatment for 4 or 8 weeks)

Preventive Therapy of HIV-Related TB

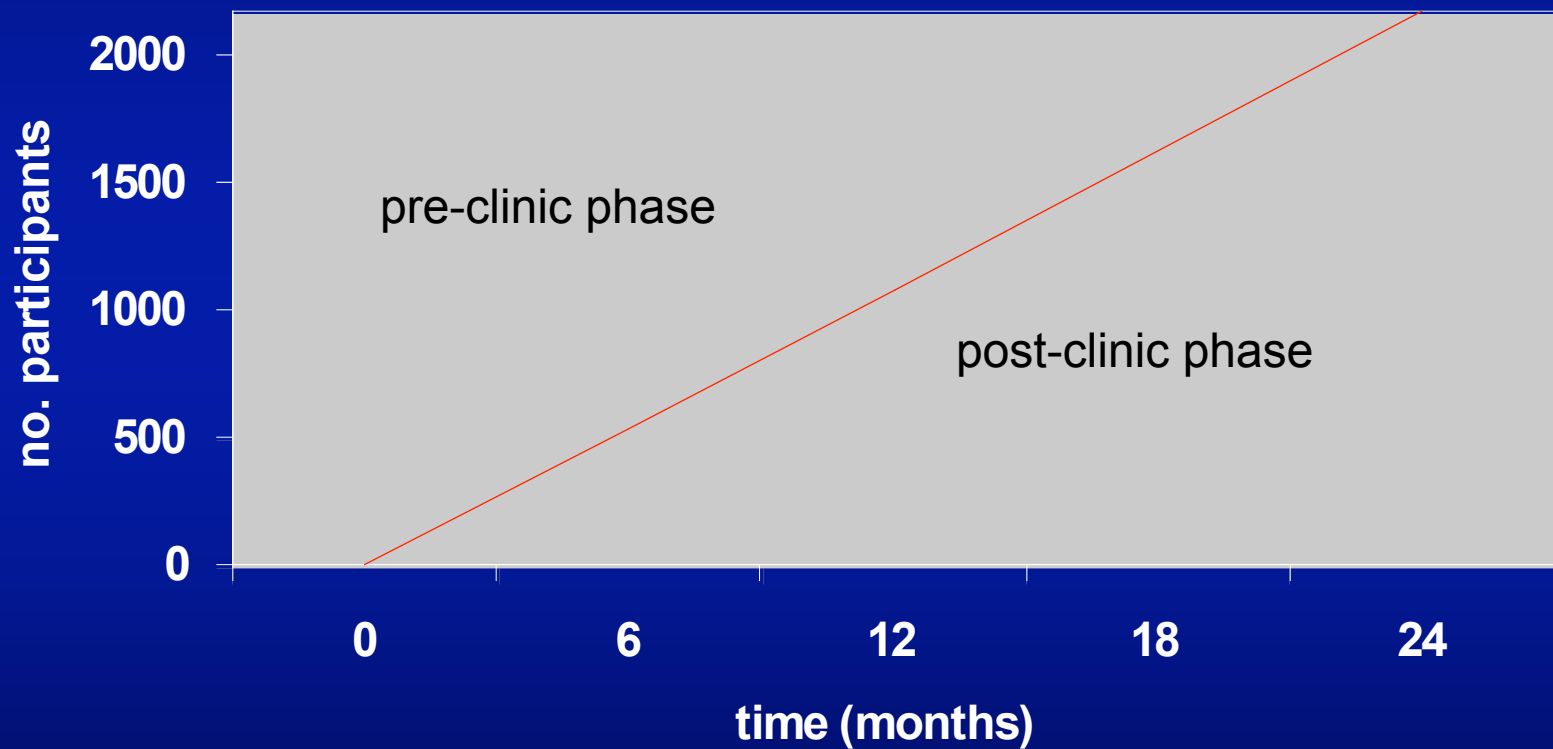
- INH PT reduces TB incidence but not mortality
- Greatest effect among TST+ individuals
- Rifamycin-based regimens as effective as IPT
- Durability limited in high incidence settings
- Growing evidence of efficacy of secondary PT
- PT still not widely used, despite low cost

Preventive Therapy of HIV-Related TB

Unresolved Issues and Opportunities

- What is optimal duration of INH?
- Who should get INH PT?
 - TST+ only, or high prevalence populations?
 - Patients starting ARVs?
 - Patients with prior treatment for TB?
- What are alternative regimens?
 - Rifapentine/INH weekly x 3 months
 - INH/Rifampin twice weekly or daily x 2-3 months
- What are alternative public health approaches?
 - Mass preventive therapy?

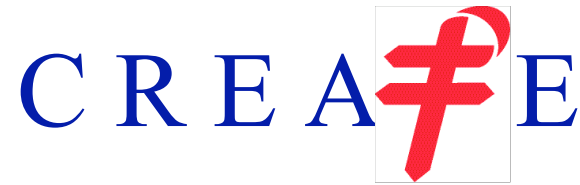
Routine INH Preventive Therapy for ~1700 HIV+ Miners: A Randomized Recruitment Trial



Grant et al., JAMA 2005;293:2719-25

Effect of clinic on TB incidence: overall (N=1655)

	IRR (95% CI)
Unadjusted	0.78 (0.58-1.05), P=0.10
<i>Adjusted for:</i>	
calendar period	0.68 (0.48-0.96), P=0.03
calendar period, age	0.67 (0.47-0.96), P=0.03
calendar period, age, WHO stage	0.65 (0.45-0.92), P=0.02
calendar period, age, silicosis	0.62 (0.43-0.89), P=0.009



Mission

To organize, implement and evaluate novel public health strategies to reduce tuberculosis incidence in populations with high rates of HIV and TB co-infection.

Strategies to Reduce TB/HIV in Addition to DOTS

- Active or intensified case finding
 - to identify cases transmitting infection, and who may die without treatment
- Treatment of latent TB infection
 - to prevent disease in HIV+ (and HIV-) persons
- Household HIV/TB interventions linked to cases
 - to promote active case finding, identify candidates for TB preventive therapy (and antiretroviral drugs), and reduce HIV transmission
- Combined ARV and IPT treatment programs
 - to reduce probability of developing primary or reactivation TB

The CREATE Portfolio: Approved Studies

<u>Study/Site</u>	<u>Intervention(s)</u>	<u>Design</u>
Thibela TB SA Gold Mines	Mass preventive therapy	Cluster randomized trial
ZAMSTAR Zambia/South Africa	HH interventions, intensified case finding	Community randomized trial
THRio Rio de Janeiro	Preventive therapy and ARVs	Phased implementation trial

Strategies for Reducing the Burden of TB in HIV-Endemic Areas

- Improved diagnostics (↑ case finding)
 - Simpler tests
 - Find prevalent cases
- Improved therapy (↑ treatment completion)
 - Shorter duration regimens
 - Compatibility with ARVs
 - Effective for MDR TB
- Preventive therapy
 - For high risk populations, broad use essential
- Reduced susceptibility
 - Antiretroviral therapy
- Community level interventions
 - Novel approaches at population level