# Trials in current drug users and patients on opiate substitution therapy

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### **Clinic Locations** New Jersey The Bronx Key 1: Melrose on Track, Melrose 9 2: Wellness Center at Port Morris **3:** Trailer 1, Trailer 2, Van Etten Manhattan

## Integrating HCV Care with Methadone Maintenance Therapy: Results

- Co-located opioid agonist (methadone) and HCVrelated care
- Retrospective chart review of on-site HCV treatment (pegylated interferon and ribavirin) provided to 73 drug users from 1/03 – 12/05:
  - 90% IDU
  - 49% recently used illicit drugs
  - 33% with history of alcohol dependence
  - 67% Latino, 21% Caucasian, 12% African American
  - 32% HIV-infected
  - 67% current psychiatric illness
  - 68% genotype 1

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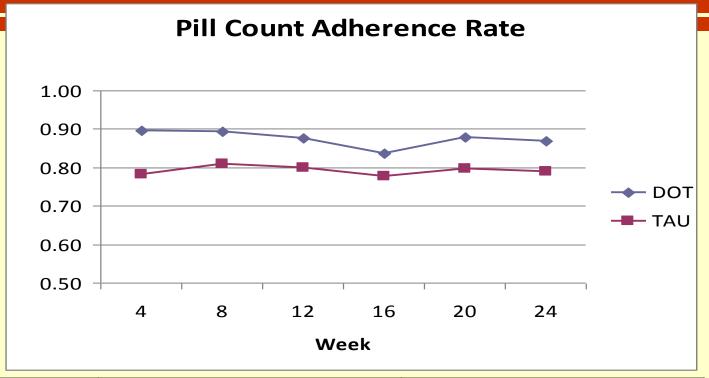
#### **HCV** treatment outcomes:

- 86% completed at least 12 weeks of treatment
- 45% achieved SVR (40% genotype 1)
- HIV/HCV co-infected patients achieved equivalent SVR (43%) as HCV-monoinfected patients (46%)
- No associations between illicit drug use during HCV treatment and HCV virological outcomes, despite high prevalence of active illicit drug use (37%)

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### HCV DOT – ribavirin adherence (n=40)

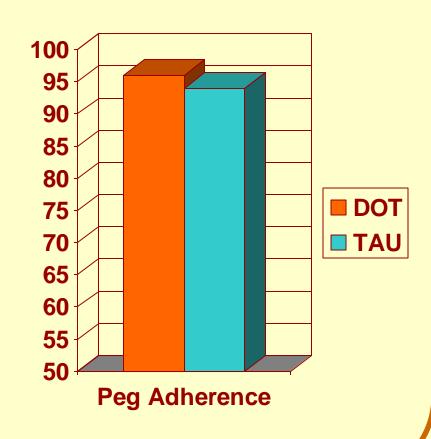


Week	DOT adherence (%)	TAU adherence (%)
Week 4	90	78
Week 8	89	81
Week 12	88	80
Week 24	87	79

#### HCV DOT - pegylated interferon adherence (n=40)

 Subjects in both arms received weekly directly administered pegylated interferon

96% DOT vs. 94% TAU (p=NS)



### HIV DOT: Association between frequent drug use, treatment arm, and adherence (Nahvi et al, DAD 2011)

