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HIV-Associated Opportunistic Infections (OI): Part 3

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HIV Associated Opportunistic Infections: Part 3

- Mucocutaneous Infections: Candida, VZV, HSV, EBV
- Other Fungal Infections
- GI Complications
- CMV

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Mucocutaneous Candidiasis in PWH

- Oropharyngeal and esophageal candidiasis common in people with HIV (PWH) who have CD4 cell counts <200
 - Esophageal candidiasis typically occurs at lower CD4 counts than oropharyngeal candidiasis
- Mostly due to *Candida albicans*
- Invasive candidiasis is **NOT** HIV related
 - Candida in blood should raise suspicion of catheter related blood stream infection or injection drug use

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Oropharyngeal Candidiasis

Pseudomembranous	Erythematous	Angular cheilosis
		

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<https://www.hiv.uw.edu/go/basic-primary-care/oral-manifestations/core-concept/all>
Also: Drs. Anisa Mosam, Richard Johnson. Patil S et al, Front Microb, 2015

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Esophageal Candidiasis



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Mucocutaneous Candidiasis in PWH: Management

- Fluconazole primary prophylaxis or chronic suppression NOT RECOMMENDED
- Treatment:
 - Oral candidiasis: oral fluconazole 100 mg daily (except during pregnancy); topical miconazole, clotrimazole troches, nystatin
 - Esophageal candidiasis: fluconazole, 14-21 days

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Aphthous Ulcers



Black arrow points to a large aphthous lesion on the lip. Photograph from David H. Spach, MD

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Causes of Odynophagia in People with Advanced HIV

- Esophageal candidiasis
- Giant aphthous ulcers
- HSV esophagitis
- CMV esophagitis

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Herpes Zoster

- **Pre ART**
 - 15-fold higher incidence of zoster than general population!
- **Post ART**
 - Still increased risk even on suppressive ART
- **Localized (dermatomal)**
 - May occur at all CD4 cell counts
 - More frequent when CD4 cell count <200 or HIV RNA not suppressed
 - Risk of zoster increased in the months after ART initiation, possibly because of immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome-related mechanism.

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Localized and Disseminated Herpes Zoster



Dermatomal Zoster

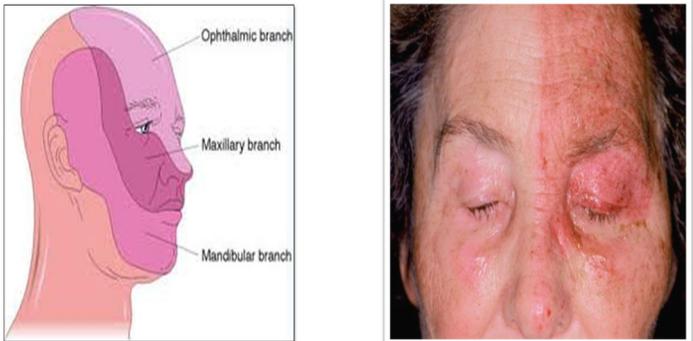
Herpes Sine Zoster

Disseminated Zoster Or Primary Varicella

Ophthalmic Zoster

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Zoster Ophthalmicus Ophthalmic Branch CN V



Ophthalmic branch

Maxillary branch

Mandibular branch

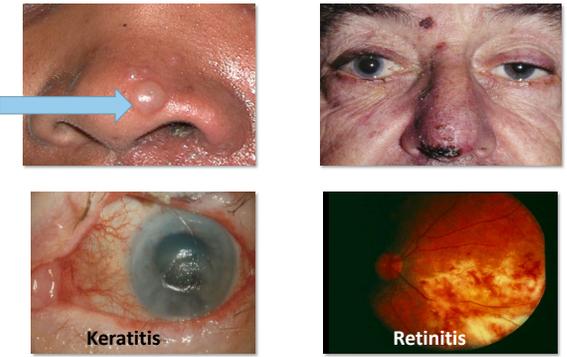
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Hutchinson's Sign As Precursor to VZV Eye Disease

(Nasociliary Nerve of Ophthalmic Branch CN V)



- Vesicles on tip of nose, or vesicles on side of nose
- Accompanies development of ocular manifestations: keratitis, anterior uveitis

Image C. Stephen Foster, MD, Massachusetts Eye Research and Surgery Institute

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Zoster Ophthalmicus Related Stroke

- Vascular inflammation and occlusion
- Days or months post zoster (median 4 months)
- Occasionally cutaneous lesions absent (33%)
- Diagnosis: PCR of CSF or VZV antibody production in CSF

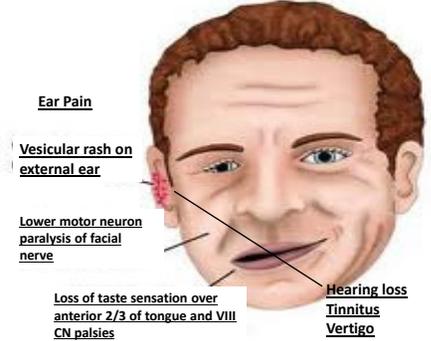


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Ramsay-Hunt Syndrome: Herpes Zoster Oticus

Geniculate Ganglion of Cranial Nerve VII
External Ear Vesicles and Facial Nerve Paralysis



- Ear Pain
- Vesicular rash on external ear
- Lower motor neuron paralysis of facial nerve
- Loss of taste sensation over anterior 2/3 of tongue and VIII CN palsies
- Hearing loss
- Tinnitus
- Vertigo

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Prevention of Zoster

- Recombinant VZV glycoprotein E /adjuvant AS01B (RZV-Shingrix)
- Recommended in adults with HIV aged ≥ 18 years, regardless of CD4 cell count
- 2-dose series at 0 and then at 2 to 6 months
- RZV should not be given during an acute episode of herpes zoster

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Herpes Simplex

- Orolabial herpes: most common manifestation of HSV-1 infection
- Genital herpes: typically caused by HSV-2 but increasingly due to HSV-1 (recurrences and viral shedding less often with genital HSV-1)
- Proctitis in men who have sex with men; may not have external anal ulcers
- Dissemination: rare, even in severely immunosuppressed patients
- Other manifestations in PWH who have low CD4 counts (<100)
 - Esophagitis
 - Retinitis (acute retinal necrosis)
 - Chronic, extensive, deep genital ulcers, often acyclovir resistant

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Localized Herpes Simplex



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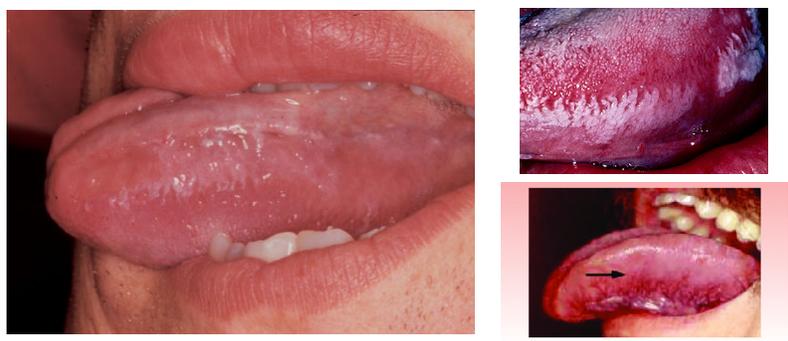
Chronic Extensive Perirectal HSV in PWH with Low CD4 Count



- Look for Acyclovir Resistance with Viral Culture and Phenotypic Testing
- Treatment for acyclovir-resistant HSV: iv foscarnet

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Oral Hairy Leukoplakia EBV Associated



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Oral Hairy Leukoplakia



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HIV Diseases Associated with EBV

- Oral Hairy Leukoplakia
- Primary CNS Lymphoma

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Dermatologic Findings in PWH

Prurigo nodularis



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Kaposi Sarcoma (HHV-8 associated)



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Other Fungal Infections

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Fungal Diseases (other than Cryptococcal Meningitis and Candida) in Persons Living with HIV

- Cryptococcus: cutaneous, prostate
- Talaromyces
- Histoplasmosis
- Coccidioidomycosis

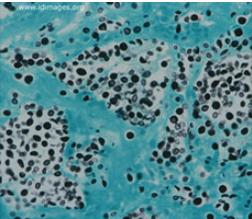
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Cryptococcal Prostate Abscess

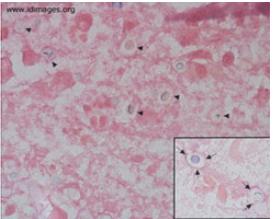
- Man with advanced HIV, CD4 cell count 40, HIV RNA 225,000 (not on ART) presented with 4 weeks of pain on defecation



Pelvic CT scan: Prostate Abscess



Silver stain of prostatic aspirate.



Hematoxylin and eosin stain.

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Mucocutaneous Cryptococcus

Man with advanced HIV, CD4 count <20 (not on ART) presented with fever, cough and skin lesions

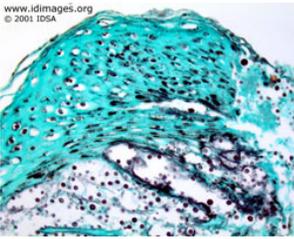


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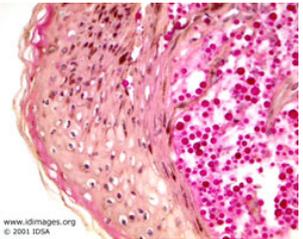
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Silver stain of skin biopsy



Mucicarmine stain of biopsy.

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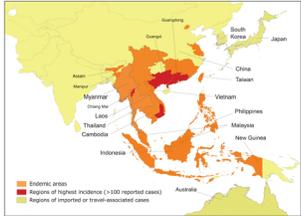
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***Talaromyces marneffe* (formerly *Penicillium marneffe*)**

- Dimorphic fungus endemic in SE Asia, East Asia, South Asia
- Advanced HIV is risk factor for severe disease
- Skin lesions: central-necrotic or umbilicated papules
- Pulmonary, GI involvement; hepatosplenomegaly

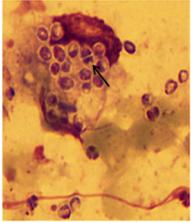



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***Talaromyces marneffe* (formerly *Penicillium marneffe*)**



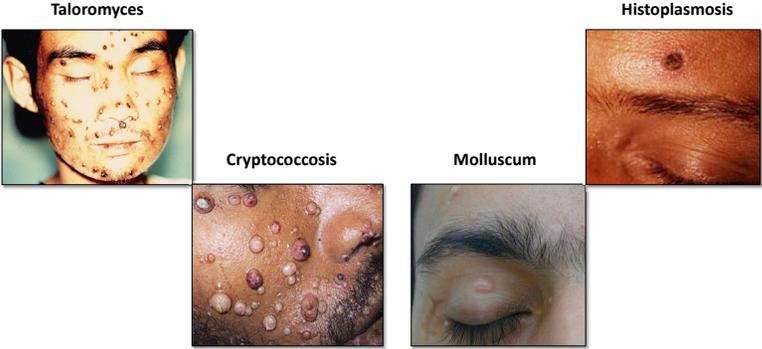


Round-to-oval organisms, 3 to 6 μ m in diameter.
Midline septum in a dividing yeast cell

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Skin Lesions for HIV Associated Endemic Mycoses May Be Difficult to Distinguish



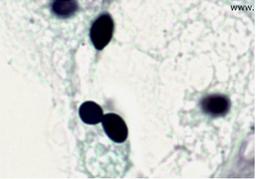
Taloromyces Histoplasmosis

Cryptococcosis Molluscum

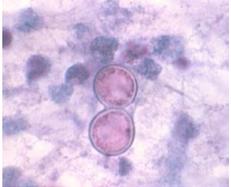
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Other Fungal Diseases that are Covered Elsewhere in IDBR

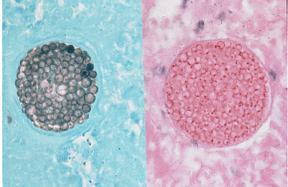
- Look for questions on patients with HIV and....



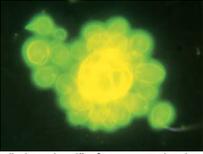
Narrow-based budding of *Histoplasma* (2-5 microns)



Broad based budding of *Blastomyces* 10-15 microns



Spherule of *Coccidioides* (25-100 microns)



"Pilot wheel" of *Paracoccidioides* (10-20 microns)

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GI Complications

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Causes of Diarrhea in PWH

- **CMV Colitis:** bloody diarrhea, intestinal perforation in PWH with CD4 <100
- **Bacterial causes:** Salmonella, Shigella, Campylobacter, Enteroaggregative E coli; Clostridioides difficile; STIs/proctitis (LGV, GC, Syphilis); MAC (CD4 count <50: fevers, systemic symptoms)
- **Parasitic causes:** Microsporidia and Cryptosporidia (CD4<100: chronic diarrhea, extra-intestinal manifestations); Cystoisospora (formerly Isospora); Cyclospora; Giardia; Amebiasis
- **Cancer:** Kaposi sarcoma, lymphoma
- **Medications:** antiretroviral therapy (particularly protease inhibitors), antibiotics

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Evaluating Diarrhea in PWH

- Acute diarrhea: stool C and S, C difficile testing
- Chronic diarrhea: above plus stool O and P, cryptosporidia, microsporidia, isospora, cyclospora stains; giardia antigen; if proctitis, STI testing
- Diarrhea, fever, systemic symptoms in PWH and low CD4 cell count: AFB blood cultures, CMV DNA
- Endoscopy: if evaluation above is unrevealing

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Salmonella in PWH

- Bacteremia more common in PWH (especially those with low CD4 count) than people without HIV
- Bacteremia merits HIV testing
- Recurrence common unless effective ART given

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Update - CDC Recommendations for Managing and Reporting *Shigella* Infections with Possible Reduced Susceptibility to Ciprofloxacin

Shigella

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- Increasing number of *Shigella* isolates that test susceptible to ciprofloxacin (MIC 0.12 to 1 mcg/mL) but harbor resistance genes
- CDC: antibiotics if immunocompromised, severe illness, outbreaks
- Counsel patients to wait to have sex for 1-2 weeks after diarrhea resolves

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Increase in Extensively Drug-Resistant Shigellosis in the United States

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- ≈ 5% of *Shigella* now XDR: resistant to azithromycin, ampicillin, ciprofloxacin, ceftriaxone, TMP/SMX
- Men who have sex with men, people experiencing homelessness, international travelers, people with HIV
- No current treatment recommendations
 - In UK, oral Pivmecillinam and Fosfomycin or IV carbapenem and colistin (hospitalized)

Year	Percentage of Total <i>Shigella</i> Isolates
2015	0.0%
2016	0.2%
2017	0.1%
2018	0.2%
2019	0.4%
2020	1.2%
2021	2.2%
2022	4.8%

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CMV

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CMV in PWH: Highlights

- Cause of end-organ disease in PWH who have CD4 count <50 and are not receiving ART
- End-organ disease:
 - Retinitis
 - Colitis
 - Esophagitis: odynophagia, retrosternal or mid-epigastric pain
 - Neurologic disease
 - Pneumonitis: rare in people with HIV; when found in BAL, frequently a bystander

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Prevention of CMV Disease in PWH

- Antiretroviral therapy to maintain CD4 count >100
- Valganciclovir prophylaxis is NOT recommended

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Diagnosis of HIV Related CMV Disease

- **Serology**
 - Disease unlikely if IgG seronegative
- **Cytology**
 - Rarely useful
- **Biopsy**
 - Helpful if many inclusions and substantial inflammation
- **PCR**
 - Correlates with low CD4 Count
 - “Less than ideal” sensitivity and specificity for clinical disease

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CMV Retinitis

- Visual changes, decreased visual acuity
- **Funduscopy exam**
 - Bilateral disease in 1/3
 - Mustard and Ketchup
 - Necrosis of retina
 - Little vitreal inflammation
- **PCR of blood not useful: 70% sensitive, but non-specific**
- **Vitreous taps for diagnosis with PCR rarely necessary**
 - Tap positive in 80% of cases



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Therapy for CMV Retinitis

- **Immediate sight-threatening lesions**
 - ART
 - IV Ganciclovir or Valganciclovir 900 mg PO (twice daily x 14–21 days), then daily for at least 3–6 months plus
 - Intravitreal ganciclovir weekly over several weeks until lesion inactivity
 - Ganciclovir implant no longer manufactured
- **Small peripheral lesions**
 - ART
 - Oral valganciclovir for at least 3–6 months and immune reconstitution
 - +/- intravitreal ganciclovir

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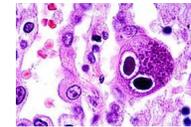
CMV Colitis

- **Clinical Presentation**
 - Fever, anorexia, abdominal pain, diarrhea
 - May cause perforation, hemorrhage
 - CT may show colonic thickening or mass
- **Diagnosis**
 - Colonoscopy with cytology or biopsy: mucosal ulcerations, intranuclear and intracytoplasmic inclusions, immunohistochemistry
 - PCR non-specific
- **Therapy:** Ganciclovir, Valganciclovir. Alternative: Foscarnet

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CMV Colitis



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CMV Neurologic Disease

- **Encephalitis**
- **Ventriculoencephalitis**
 - Focal neurologic signs, rapid progression
 - Peri-ventricular enhancement on MRI or CT imaging
- **Polyradiculomyelopathy or transverse myelitis**
 - Radicular back pain, urinary retention, bilateral leg weakness
 - Spastic myelopathy, sacral paresthesia
 - CSF: neutrophilic pleocytosis (100-200), low glucose, elevated protein

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