Lipidome abnormalities and altered macrophage phenotype may contribute to cardiovascular disease risk in the aging HIV population

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Cardiovascular disease risk is increased for people with HIV

Friis-Moller et al NEJM 2003

Combination antiretroviral therapy and the risk for myocardial infarction.

Currier et al JAIDS 2003

Coronary heart disease in HIV-infected individuals.

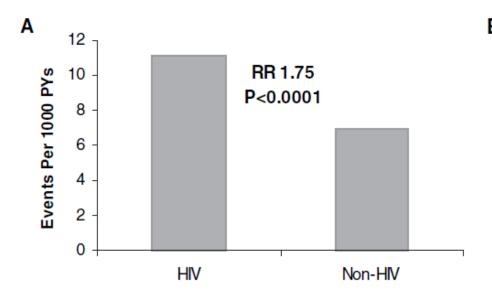
Bozzette et al NEJM 2003

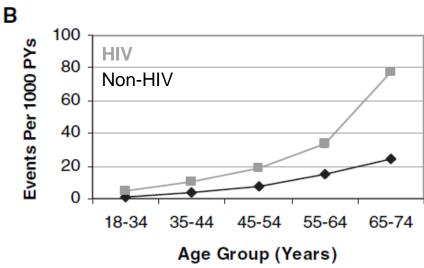
Cardiovascular and cerebrovascular events in patients treated for human immunodeficiency virus infection.

Triant et al J Clin. Endo. Met. 2007

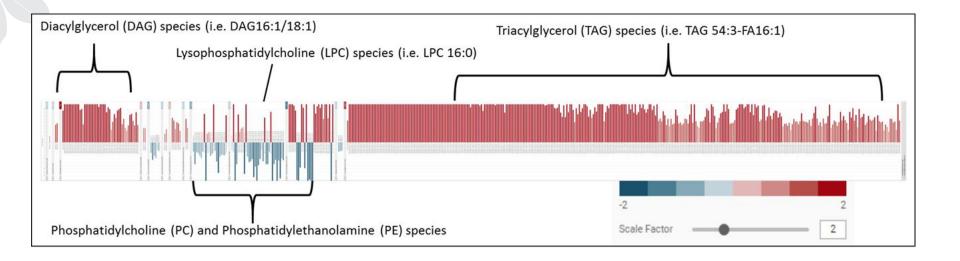
Increased Acute Myocardial Infarction Rates and Cardiovascular Risk Factors among Patients with Human Immunodeficiency Virus Disease

-health care system-based cohort study, looking for MI rates in HIV+ and HIV- patients



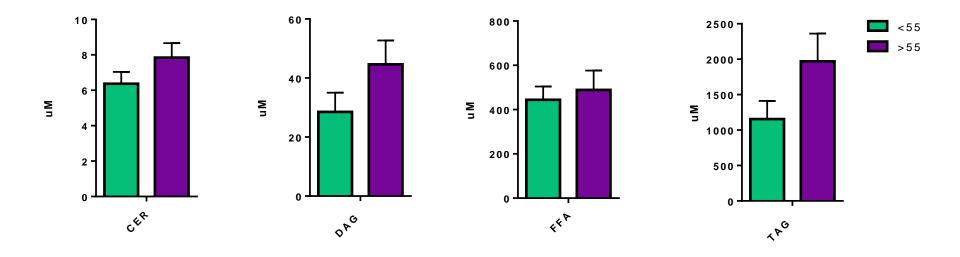


PWH have significantly altered lipidome composition



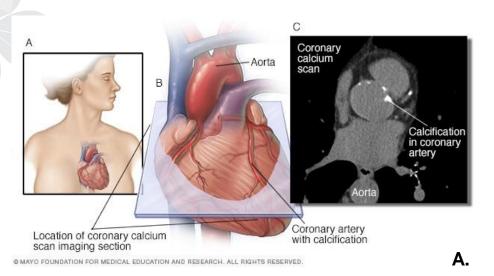
- Traditional lipid measurements (TC, LDL, TG) were not significantly different among HIV- and HIV+ groups
- 37.1% of all lipidome species were significantly altered
- Lipid profiles linked to CVD in the general population

Lipids classes associated with CVD tend to be increased in older PWH



- Older PWH (Over 55) tend to have increased concentrations of CERs, DAGs, FFAs, TAGs
- CER levels correlate with inflammatory plasma biomarkers in older, but not younger PWH

PWH have increased levels of coronary artery calcification



CAC Value

Calcification Grade

No Calcification

O-10

Minimal

11-100

Mild

101-400

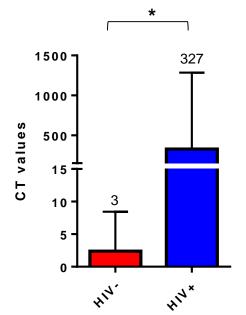
Moderate

401-1000

Severe

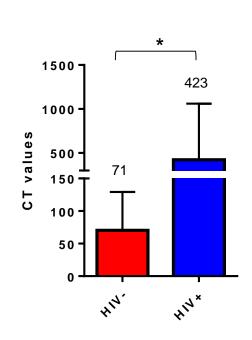
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Very Severe



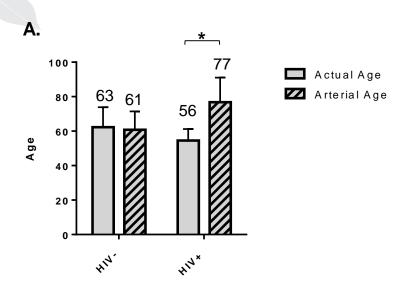
Young (<55)

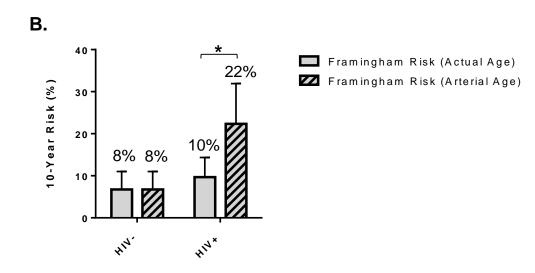
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Old (>55)

Arterial age estimates are increased in PWH compared to uninfected controls





Arterial Age Calculation Factors

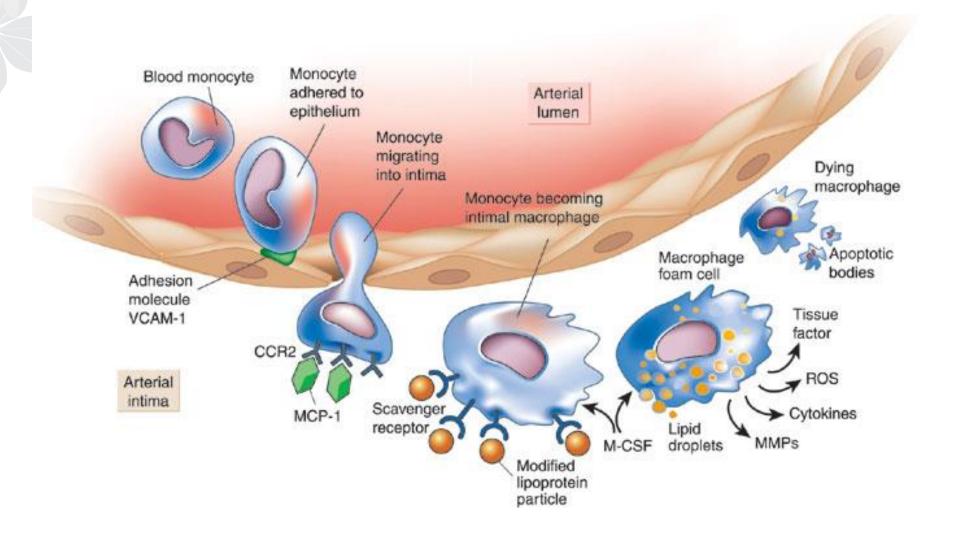
- Coronary Artery Calcium Score
- Age
- Sex
- Total Cholesterol
- HDL
- Systolic Blood Pressure
- Smoking Status
- Use of Anti-Hypertensive Meds



The Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis

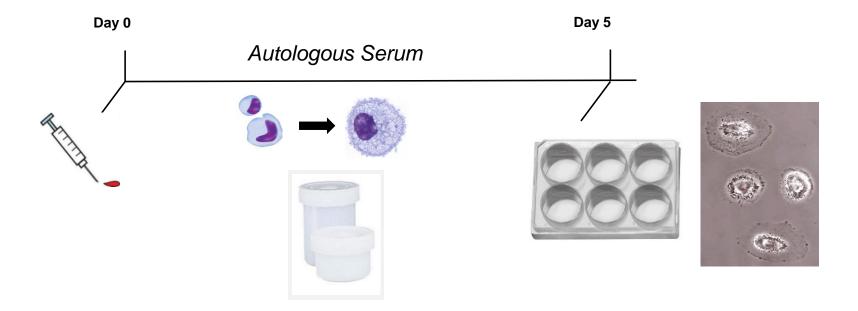
Arterial Age as a Function of Coronary Artery Calcium (From the Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis [MESA])

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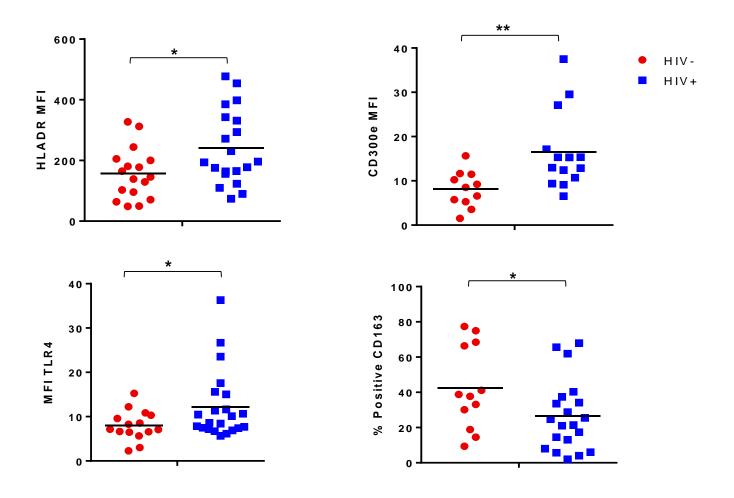


Monocyte-derived macrophage (MDM) differentiation

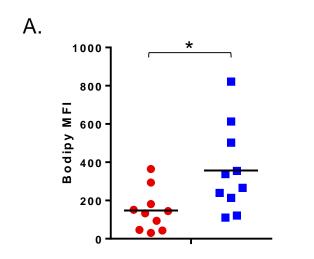


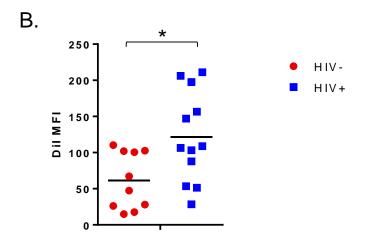
 Markers of inflammation and myeloid cell activation, and microbial products are increased in serum from PWH

MDMs from PWH have an 'activated' phenotype

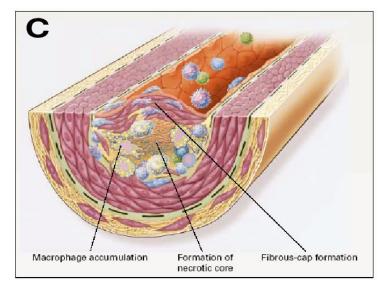


MDMs from PWH display increased propensity to form foam cells

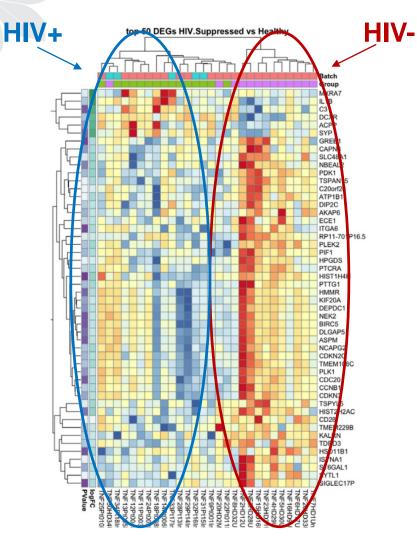




- Bodipy: Intracellular lipid stain detected by flow cytometry
- Dil-OxLDL uptake assay: MDMs incubated with labeled oxLDL for 4h and Dil fluorescence measured by flow cytometry



MDMs from HIV+ and HIV- individuals display differential patterns of gene expression

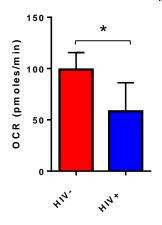


Differentially Expressed Genes, (p<0.05) = 811

Pathway Analyses:

- Innate immune signaling
- Cell cycle regulation
- Lipid transport and fatty acid metabolism
- Reduced antioxidant pathway activation
- Mitochondrial dysfunction

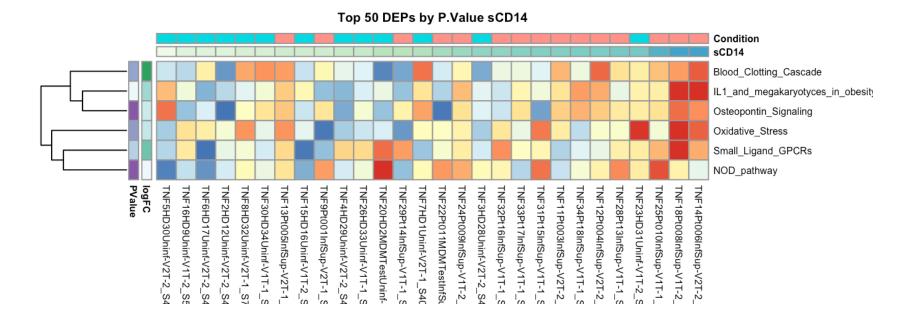
Maximal Mitochondrial Respiration



Agilent Seahorse Analyzer

Biomarkers associated with morbidity and mortality in HIV infection correlate with unique DGE signatures

sCD14

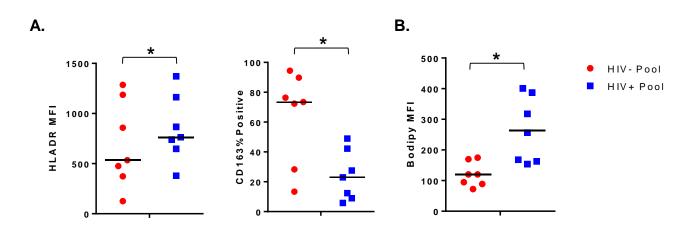


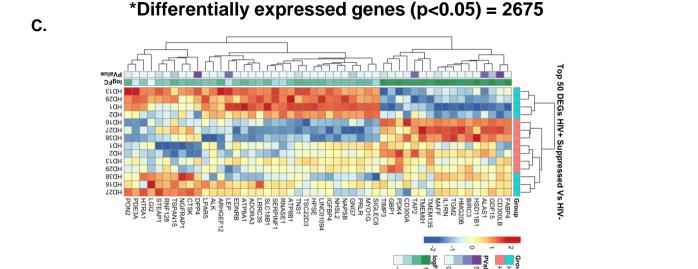
*Levels of serum inflammatory biomarkers are directly associated with inflammatory signaling pathway activation

Correlations with lipids associated with CVD

- Free Fatty Acids
- Ceramides
- Triacylglycerides
- Saturated Fatty Acids

Exposure to pooled serum from HIV+ donors is sufficient to alter macrophage phenotype





Conclusions – Altered lipids and macrophage phenotype in PWH may enhance cardiovascular disease risk

- Coronary calcification levels are increased in PWH
 - Severe risk in older PWH
- Broad changes in MDM transcriptome and signaling pathway activation
- Increased lipid uptake and inflammatory foam cell phenotype
- Altered lipidome composition in PWH may play a role in driving proatherogenic macrophage phenotype
 - Detailed lipid analyses may better predict CVD risk

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