

# No impact of the M184I/V mutation on the efficacy of tenofovir or abacavir+lamivudine+doravirine in HIV treatment-experienced people

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## BACKGROUND

### State of the art

Doravirine (DOR) is the latest NNRTI to be approved for the treatment of people living with HIV-1 (PLWHIV) and has a different resistance profile from first-generation NNRTIs. The impact of the M184I/V mutation on the rate of virological failure (VF) in PLWHIV switching to a triple-drug regimen DOR+3TC +ABC or TDF has not been evaluated.

### Objectives

Virological failure at week 24 of a triple therapy with DOR was evaluated in PLWHIV with and without a pre-existing M184I/V mutation in clinical practice.

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

### Patients

- A national French retrospective survey including PLWHIV-1,
- November 2020 to December 2022,
- ARV-experienced receiving an antiretroviral tritherapy including DOR in a context of switch.

### Virology

- VF: 2 consecutive plasma viral load (VL)  $\geq 50$  copies/mL or 1 VL  $> 200$  copies/mL,
- Reverse transcriptase (RT): sequenced at baseline = before the switch (DNA or RNA),
- Mutations associated with resistance and the genotypic susceptibility score (GSS) of the current regimen with DOR, according to the latest Stanford (<https://hivdb.stanford.edu/>) and ANRS (<https://hivfrenchresistance.org/>) algorithms.

### Statistical analysis

The M184I/V was studied as a potential factor associated with VF or VB, adjusted for the following items:

- Gender,
- Nadir CD4 count, CD4 count at baseline,
- Viral subtype, log zenith plasma HIV-1 RNA, log plasma HIV-1 RNA at baseline,
- NNRTI resistance mutations at baseline and GSS (Stanford and ANRS algorithms).

## RESULTS

### Characteristics

Among the 338 included PLWHIV:

- 45 had a genotypically documented M184I/V mutation before switching:
  - TDF+3TC: 29 M184V and 14 M184I
  - ABC+3TC: 2 M184V
  - DNA: 21 M184V and 11 M184I
  - RNA: 10 M184V and 3 M184I

Characteristic	M184I/V at baseline		P-value
	No (n=293) n/N (%) or median (IQR)	Yes (n=45) n/N (%) or median (IQR)	
<b>Gender</b>			0.3138
Male	191/293 (65.2)	33/45 (73.3)	
Female	102/293 (34.8)	12/45 (26.7)	
<b>Viral subtype</b>			0.5998
B	158/293 (53.9)	28/45 (62.2)	
CRF02	59/293 (20.2)	8/45 (17.8)	
Other Non-B	76/293 (25.9)	9/45 (20.0)	
<b>Nadir CD4 count (cells/mm<sup>3</sup>)</b>	257 (130-409)	157 (42-318)	0.0246
<b>CD4 count at baseline (cells/mm<sup>3</sup>)</b>	620 (467-846)	616 (421-910)	0.9044
<b>Log zenith plasma HIV-1 RNA (Log<sub>10</sub> copies/mL)</b>	4.9 (3.9-5.5)	4.9 (4.3-5.7)	0.5038
<b>Log plasma HIV-1 RNA at baseline (Log<sub>10</sub> copies/mL)</b>	1.6 (1.6-1.6)	1.6 (1.6-1.6)	0.9218
<b>Doravirine co-treatment</b>			0.5539
3TC+TDF	268/293 (91.5)	43/45 (95.6)	
3TC+ABC	25/293 (8.5)	2/45 (4.4)	
<b>Nucleic acid sequence</b>			0.1445
RNA	127/293 (43.3)	14/45 (31.1)	
DNA	166/293 (56.7)	31/45 (68.9)	
<b>GSS with Doravirine (Stanford)</b>			<.0001
3.0 (3.0-3.0)	2/293 (0.7)	13/45 (28.8)	
0-1	39/293 (13.3)	32/45 (71.2)	<.0001
1.5-2.5	252/293 (86.0)	0/45 (0.0)	
3	3.0 (3.0-3.0)	2.0 (1.5-2.0)	<.0001
<b>GSS with Doravirine (ANRS)</b>			<.0001
0-1	2/293 (0.7)	7/45 (15.6)	
1.5-2.5	13/293 (4.4)	38/45 (84.4)	
3	278/293 (94.9)	0/45 (0.0)	
<b>Number of NNRTI mutations at baseline</b>			<.0001
0 (0-1)	0	1 (0-2)	
0	204/293 (69.6)	13/45 (28.8)	<.0001
1	48/293 (16.3)	19/45 (42.4)	
$\geq 2$	41/293 (14.1)	13/45 (28.8)	

Table 1: Baseline characteristics of the study population (n=338). Values are expressed as number and percentages unless otherwise indicated.

## Proportion of Virological Failure and Blips

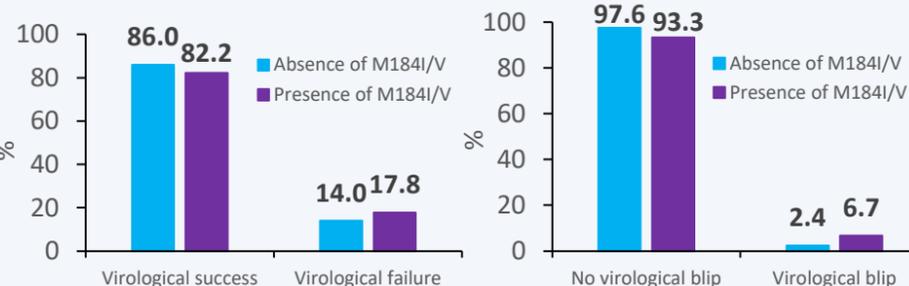


Figure 1: Proportions of virological success and virological failure at 6 months in patients with or without M184I/V mutation at baseline among switch participants

Figure 2: Proportions of virological blip or not at 6 months in patients with or without M184I/V mutation at baseline among switch participants

## Impact of M184I/V mutation on Virological Failure and Blips after adjustment for potential confounders

Characteristic	Virological failure (VF)		Univariable analysis			Multivariable analysis		
	No n/N (%) or median (IQR) N=289	Yes n/N (%) or median (IQR) N=49	OR	95% CI	P value	OR	95% CI	P value
<b>M184I/V mutation at baseline</b>					0.5029			0.2121
no	252/293 (86.0)	41/293 (14.0)	1			1		
yes	37/45 (82.2)	8/45 (16.3)	1.329	0.578-3.055		2.066	0.664-6.425	
<b>Gender</b>					0.8634			
Male	191/224 (85.3)	33/224 (14.7)	1					
Female	98/114 (86.0)	16/114 (14.0)	0.945	0.496-1.801				
<b>Viral subtype</b>					0.1289			0.1120
B	163/186 (87.6)	23/186 (12.4)	1			1		
CRF02	52/67 (77.6)	15/67 (22.4)	2.044	0.994-4.206		1.629	0.977-2.716	
Other Non-B	74/85 (87.1)	11/85 (12.9)	1.053	0.488-2.274		0.887	0.527-1.492	
<b>Nadir CD4 count (per 100 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> increase)</b>	258 (130-409)	202 (60-325)	0.892	0.760-1.047	0.1625	0.988	0.815-1.197	0.9010
<b>CD4 count at baseline (per 100 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> increase)</b>	620 (467-849)	596 (465-878)	0.985	0.895-1.083	0.7472			
<b>Log zenith plasma HIV-1 RNA (per 1 Log<sub>10</sub> copies/mL increase)</b>	4.8 (3.8-5.4)	5.5 (4.7-5.9)	<b>1.582</b>	<b>1.184-2.114</b>	<b>0.0019</b>	<b>1.654</b>	<b>1.188-2.304</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>Log plasma HIV-1 RNA at baseline (per 1 Log<sub>10</sub> copies/mL increase)</b>	1.6 (1.6-1.6)	1.6 (1.6-1.9)						
<b>Doravirine co-treatment</b>					0.2873			
3TC+TDF	264/311 (84.9)	47/311 (15.1)	1					
3TC+ABC	25/27 (92.6)	2/27 (7.4)	0.449	0.103-1.961				
<b>Nucleic acid</b>					0.2662			0.4795
RNA	117/141 (83.0)	24/141 (17.0)	1			1		
DNA	172/197 (87.3)	25/197 (12.7)	0.709	0.386-1.301		0.885	0.631-1.241	
<b>GSS with Doravirine (Stanford)</b>					0.9573	2.296	0.420-12.543	0.3401
3.0 (2.5-3.0)	13/14 (92.9)	1/14 (7.1)	0.573	0.144-2.282	0.6093			
0-1	59/71 (82.9)	12/71 (17.1)	1.479	0.665-3.291				
1.5-2.5	217/252 (85.9)	36/252 (14.1)	1					
3	3.0 (3.0-3.0)	3.0 (3.0-3.0)	1.071	0.557-2.059	0.8379			
<b>GSS with Doravirine (ANRS)</b>					0.8606			
0-1*	9/9 (100)	0/9 (0.0)						
1.5-2.5	42/51 (82.7)	9/51 (17.3)	1.037	0.695-1.547				
3	238/278 (85.7)	40/278 (14.3)	1					
<b>Number of NNRTI mutations at baseline</b>					0.9306			
0 (0-1)	0	0 (0-1)	1.014	0.747-1.376				
0	187/217 (86.3)	30/217 (13.7)	1		0.7122	1		0.7915
1	56/67 (83.9)	11/67 (16.1)	1.077	0.626-1.852		1.032	0.532-2.006	
$\geq 2$	46/54 (85.2)	8/54 (14.8)	1.047	0.587-1.870		1.106	0.368-3.322	

Table 2: Impact of the M184I/V mutation on the incidence of virological failure (VF) at 6 months after initiation of Doravirine among switch participants (GSS Stanford with 10 imputed datasets)

Characteristic	Virological blip (VB)		Univariable analysis			Multivariable analysis		
	No n/N (%) or median (IQR) N=328	Yes n/N (%) or median (IQR) N=10	OR	95% CI	P value	OR	95% CI	P value
<b>M184I/V mutation at baseline</b>					0.1312			0.3965
no	286/293 (97.6)	7/293 (2.4)	1			1		
yes	42/45 (93.3)	3/45 (6.7)	2.918	0.726-11.726		1.973	0.411-9.468	
<b>Gender</b>					0.8004			
Male	217/224 (96.9)	7/224 (3.1)	1					
Female	111/114 (97.4)	3/114 (2.6)	0.838	0.213-3.303				
<b>Viral subtype</b>					0.2521			0.3220
B	181/186 (97.3)	5/186 (2.7)	1			1		
CRF02	63/67 (94.0)	4/67 (6.0)	2.298	0.598-8.828		2.018	0.676-6.021	
Other Non-B	84/85 (98.8)	1/85 (1.2)	0.431	0.050-3.746		0.445	0.101-1.966	
<b>Nadir CD4 count (per 100 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> increase)</b>	254 (127-399)	180 (69-414)	0.918	0.663-1.271	0.6074	1.039	0.707-1.526	0.8474
<b>CD4 count at baseline (per 100 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> increase)</b>	620 (471-849)	389 (361-880)	0.873	0.692-1.102	0.2526			
<b>Log zenith plasma HIV-1 RNA (per 1 Log<sub>10</sub> copies/mL increase)</b>	4.9 (4.0-5.5)	5.0 (2.7-5.5)	0.979	0.606-1.581	0.9307	1.085	0.583-2.019	0.7962
<b>Log plasma HIV-1 RNA at baseline (per 1 Log<sub>10</sub> copies/mL increase)</b>	1.6 (1.6-1.6)	1.6 (1.6-1.6)						
<b>Doravirine co-treatment</b>					0.8119			
3TC+TDF	302/311 (97.1)	9/311 (2.9)	1					
3TC+ABC	26/27 (96.3)	1/27 (3.7)	1.291	0.157-10.587				
<b>Nucleic acid</b>					0.9111			0.9069
RNA	137/141 (97.2)	4/141 (2.8)	1			1		
DNA	191/197 (97.0)	6/197 (3.0)	1.076	0.298-3.885		1.045	0.501-2.179	
<b>GSS with Doravirine (Stanford)</b>					0.0628	1.471	0.184-11.765	0.7161
3.0 (2.5-3.0)	12/15 (80.0)	3/15 (20.0)	<b>4.888</b>	<b>1.769-13.505</b>	<b>0.0038</b>			
0-1	69/71 (97.2)	2/71 (2.8)	0.541	0.185-1.581				
1.5-2.5	247/252 (98.0)	5/252 (2.0)	1					
3	3.0 (3.0-3.0)	3.0 (2.0-3.0)	0.585	0.224-1.526	0.2729			
<b>GSS with Doravirine (ANRS)</b>					0.3922			
0-1	8/9 (88.9)	1/9 (11.1)	2.393	0.533-10.735				
1.5-2.5	49/51 (96.1)	2/51 (3.9)	0.813	0.244-2.711				
3	271/278 (97.5)	7/278 (2.5)	1					
<b>Number of NNRTI mutations at baseline</b>					0.1048			
0 (0-1)	0	1 (0-2)	1.474	0.923-2.354	0.1048			
0	213/217 (98.2)	4/217 (1.8)	1		0.2899	1		0.8683
1	64/67 (95.5)	3/67 (4.5)	1.306	0.506-3.370		1.363	0.342-5.435	
$\geq 2$	51/54 (94.4)	3/54 (5.6)	1.510	0.571-4.000		0.600	0.068-5.270	

Table 3: Impact of the M184I/V mutation on the incidence of virological blip (VB) at 6 months after initiation of Doravirine among switch participants (GSS Stanford with 10 imputed datasets)

## CONCLUSIONS

- In antiretroviral-experienced PLWHIV switching to DOR+3TC + ABC or TDF in clinical practice, we found no evidence of an impact of the previously acquired M184I/V mutation on treatment response.
- A higher zenith of HIV RNA VL was the only factor associated with the VF as it has been previously shown in the analysis of the entire cohort of PLWHIV receiving a regimen including DOR or in different contexts of ARV regimen switching.<sup>1-4</sup>
- Limitation: only a small proportion of the PLWHIV were treated by DOR+3TC+ABC, so the results for this combination should be taken cautiously.
- These results should be confirmed in prospective clinical trials.

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