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SUMMARY OF THE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Ageing with HIV

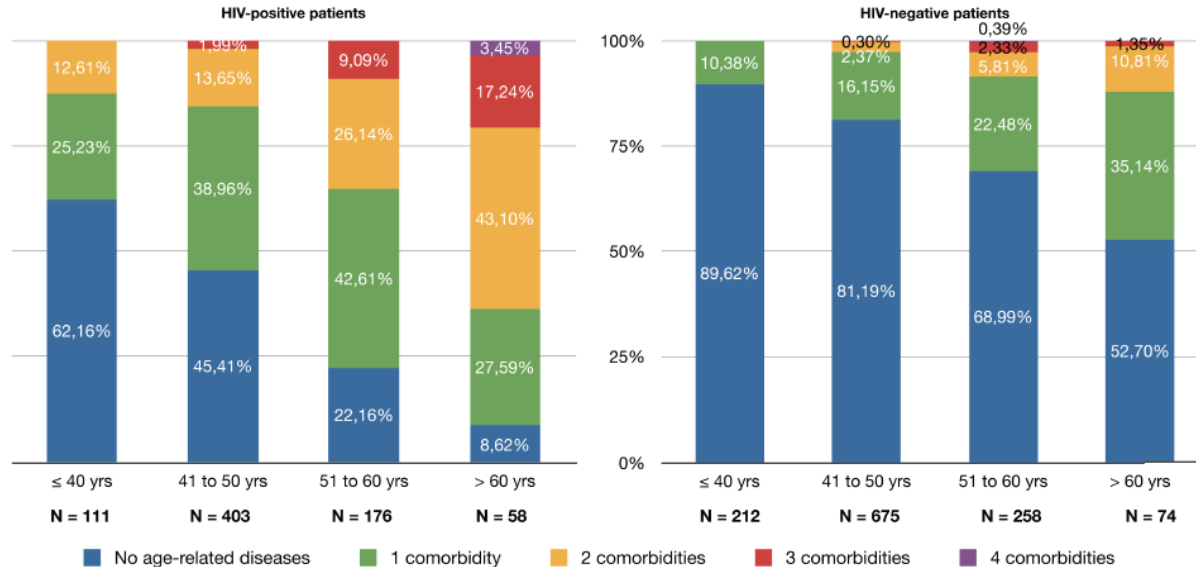
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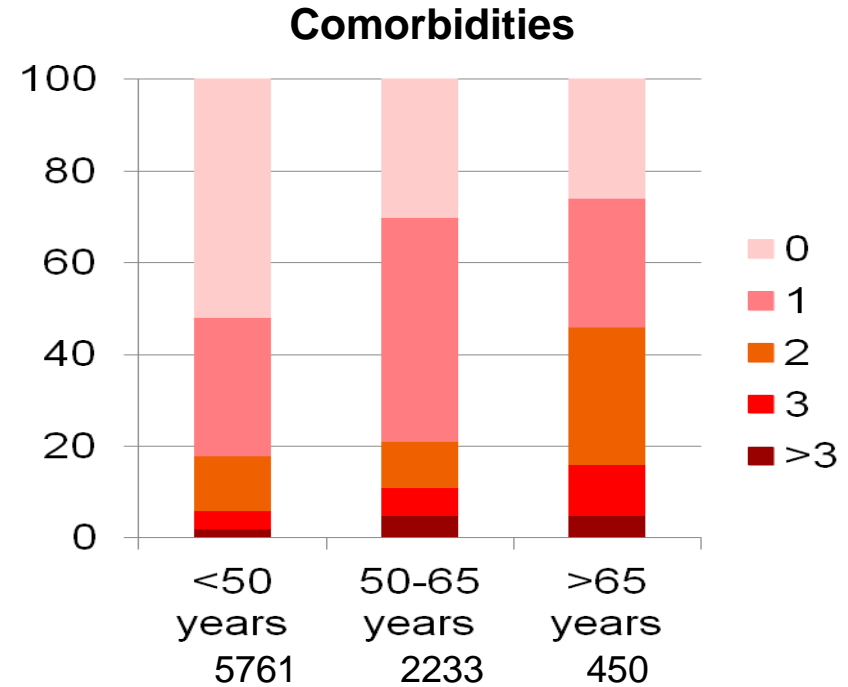
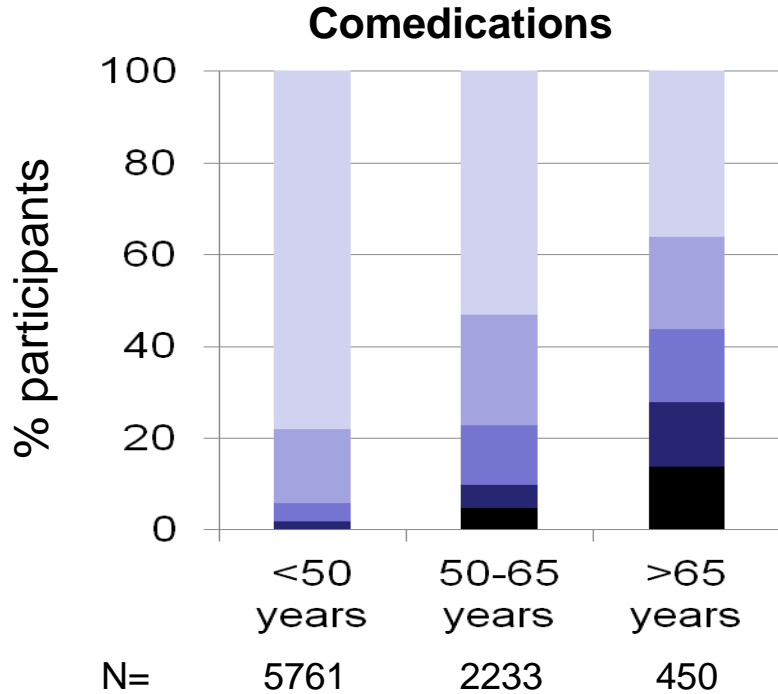
Comorbidities not only more common with increasing age but also occur earlier in HIV



- Comorbidities : Hypertension, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease and Osteoporosis.
- Comorbidities prevalence was higher in cases than controls in all age strata (all p-values <0.001).

Need of polypharmacy = higher risk interactions and toxicities

Swiss HIV Cohort Study



How to manage older patient ?

Now what??????

- a) Follow him as any other HIV patient
- b) Follow him as any other HIV patient, asking the GP/other specialists to look after all comorbidities & prevention
- c) Follow him for HIV AND all comorbidities & prevention

Pros & Cons of centralizing care in HIV Units

Advantages

- Less visits for the patient (1 physician)
- No loss of information between physicians
- Lower risk of DDI
- Better control??

Limitations

- Need for actualization in non-HIV fields
- Hospital care more expensive?
- More tests performed?
- Globally, more time per visit/more visits?
 - In an increasing HIV-population
 - In an older HIV-population

In an ideal world, in the “older” HIV patients we should...

- Screen for & treat co-morbidities (pro-actively)
- Polypharmacy
- Specific vaccinations
- Evaluate non-medical aspects
 - Nutrition, Social, Functional, Others

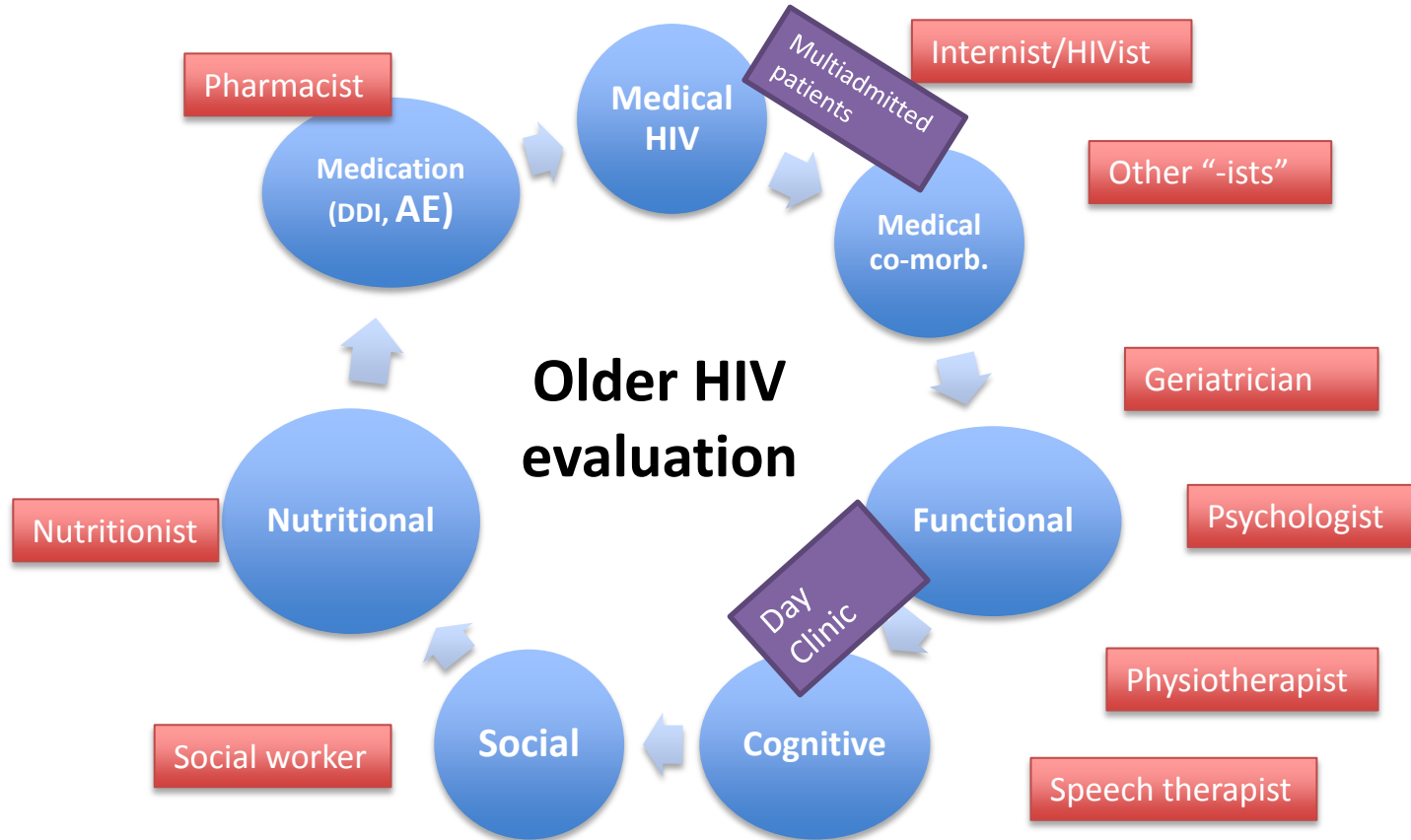
.....In 15-20 minutes per patient !!!

Screen for comorbidities

- CVD (including smoking cessation!)
- Kidney (no-TDF era)
- Bone (HIV secondary OP cause)
- HAND/cognitive impairment (“classic” non-HIV)
- Cancer

“Non-medical” aspects

- Lifestyle interventions
- Sexual (dys)function
- Functionality/autonomy/dependency
- Pain/range of motion/gait (risk of falls & fractures)
- Social
- Frailty??
- Advanced-care planning???



Conclusions

- Patients will die WITH HIV, NOT FROM HIV, and many of them will achieve **old ages**
- It is not only about HIV or comorbidities, there is also functional, cognitive, social and many more issues to evaluate! Not only extend survival but **maintain quality of life!!**
- **Comprehensive geriatric assessment** cannot be completed in an hour (or 20 min!), but you can start
- We will have to start thinking on **how to organize** the holistic (not only medical) **care** of our HIV ageing (geriatric) population