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HIV DRUG CHART

Antiretroviral (ARV) options abound for both those who are new to HIV treatment and those who are experienced. This quick-reference chart compares available medication options, including dosing and dietary restrictions.

*Generic version available in the U.S. Pills not shown actual size

Single Tablet Regimens



ATRIPLA
(efavirenz + tenofovir DF + emtricitabine)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 600 mg efavirenz + 300 mg tenofovir disoproxil fumarate + 200 mg emtricitabine. Take on an empty stomach. Dose should be taken at bedtime to minimize dizziness, drowsiness and impaired concentration.



COMPLERA
(rilpivirine + tenofovir DF + emtricitabine)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 25 mg rilpivirine + 300 mg tenofovir disoproxil fumarate + 200 mg emtricitabine. Take with food.



STRIBILD
(elvitegravir + cobicistat + tenofovir DF + emtricitabine)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 150 mg elvitegravir + 150 mg cobicistat + 300 mg tenofovir disoproxil fumarate + 200 mg emtricitabine. Take with food.



TRIUMEQ
(dolutegravir + abacavir + lamivudine)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 50 mg dolutegravir + 600 mg abacavir + 300 mg lamivudine. Take with or without food. Contains abacavir and should only be used by individuals who are HLA-B*5701 negative. Triumeq alone is not recommended for people with known HIV resistance to abacavir, lamivudine or any of the approved integrase inhibitors. Take one additional 50 mg tablet of Tivicay 12 hours apart if Triumeq is taken with Sustiva, boosted Lexiva, boosted Aptivus or rifampin.

Nucleoside/Nucleotide Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTIs, or nukes)



COMBIVIR*
(zidovudine + lamivudine)

One tablet twice a day. Each tablet contains 300 mg zidovudine + 150 mg lamivudine. Take with or without food.



EMTRIVA
(emtricitabine)

One 200 mg capsule once a day. Take with or without food.



EPIVIR*
(lamivudine)

One 300 mg tablet once a day, or one 150 mg tablet twice a day. Take with or without food. Also approved for the treatment of hepatitis B virus (HBV), but at a lower dose. People living with both viruses should use the HIV dose.



EPZICOM
(abacavir + lamivudine)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 600 mg abacavir + 300 mg lamivudine. Take with or without food. Contains abacavir and should only be used by individuals who are HLA-B*5701 negative.



RETROVIR*
(zidovudine)

One 300 mg tablet twice a day. Take with or without food.



TRIZIVIR
(abacavir + zidovudine + lamivudine)

One tablet twice a day. Each tablet contains 300 mg abacavir + 150 mg lamivudine + 300 mg zidovudine. Take with or without food. Contains abacavir and should only be used by individuals who are HLA-B*5701 negative.

Protease Inhibitors (PIs)



APTIVUS
(tipranavir)

Two 250 mg capsules plus two 100 mg Norvir tablets (or capsules) twice a day. Aptivus plus Norvir should be taken with food. Aptivus plus Norvir should not be taken with other protease inhibitors.



CRIXIVAN
(indinavir)

Two 400 mg capsules every 8 hours, or two 400 mg capsules with either one or two 100 mg Norvir tablets (or capsules) twice a day. Drink at least 48 ounces of water daily to prevent kidney stones. Without Norvir: Take on an empty stomach (no food two hours before or one hour after dosing), or with a light, low-fat snack. With Norvir: Take with or without food.



EVOTAZ
(atazanavir + cobicistat)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 300 mg atazanavir + 150 mg cobicistat. Take with food.



INVIRASE
(saquinavir)

Two 500 mg tablets plus one 100 mg Norvir tablet twice a day. Take with food, or within two hours after a meal.



KALETRA
(lopinavir + ritonavir)

Two tablets twice a day, or four tablets once a day, depending on HIV drug resistance. Each tablet contains 200 mg lopinavir + 50 mg ritonavir. Take with or without food.

Entry Inhibitors



FUZEON
(enfuvirtide)

One 90 mg (1 ml solution) subcutaneous injection twice a day. Take with or without food. Fuzeon comes as a white powder that must be mixed with sterile water in a vial each day.



SELZENTRY
(maraviroc)

One 150 mg, 300 mg or 600 mg tablet twice a day, depending on other meds used. Take with or without food.

Integrase Inhibitors



ISENTRESS
(raltegravir)

One 400 mg tablet twice a day. Take with or without food.



TIVICAY
(dolutegravir)

One 50 mg tablet once a day for those first starting ARV therapy, or for those who have not used an integrase inhibitor in the past. One 50 mg tablet twice a day for treatment-experienced individuals who have HIV that is resistant to other integrase inhibitors, and when taken with certain ARVs. Take with or without food.

EDURANT
(rilpivirine)

One 25 mg tablet once a day. Take with food.

INTELENCE
(etravirine)

One 200 mg tablet twice a day, or two 100 mg tablets twice a day. Take with food.

RESCRIPTOR
(delavirdine)

Two 200 mg tablets three times a day, or four 100 mg tablets three times a day. Take with or without food.

SUSTIVA
(efavirenz)

One 600 mg tablet once a day, or three 200 mg capsules once a day. Take on an empty stomach or with a low-fat snack. Dose should be taken at bedtime to minimize dizziness, drowsiness and impaired concentration.

VIRAMUNE*
(nevirapine)

One 200 mg Viramune IR tablet once a day for the first 14 days, then one 400 mg Viramune XR tablet once a day. Take with or without food.

TRUVADA
(tenofovir DF + emtricitabine)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 300 mg tenofovir disoproxil fumarate + 200 mg emtricitabine. Take with or without food.

VIDEX EC*
(didanosine)

One 400 mg capsule once a day. For individuals weighing less than 133 lbs., the dose is one 250 mg capsule once a day. Take on an empty stomach (2 hours after or 1 hour before a meal). Videx EC should be taken with water. It should not be taken with acidic juices, soda or milk. Videx EC should be taken at least two hours after or two hours before Aptivus or Reyataz. Avoid alcohol.

VIREAD
(tenofovir disoproxil fumarate)

One 300 mg tablet once a day. Take with or without food.

ZERIT*
(stavudine)

One 40 mg capsule twice a day. For individuals weighing less than 133 lbs., one 30 mg capsule twice a day. Take with or without food. Do not take with Retrovir or Combivir.

ZIAGEN*
(abacavir)

One 300 mg tablet twice a day, or two 300 mg tablets once a day. Take with or without food. Contains abacavir and should only be used in patients who are HLA-B*5701 negative.

LEXIVA
(fosamprenavir)

Two 700 mg tablets twice a day, or two 700 mg tablets plus one Norvir tablet (or capsule) once a day, or one 700 mg tablet plus one Norvir tablet (or capsule) twice a day (recommended for individuals who have used other PIs in the past). Take with or without food.

NORVIR
(ritonavir)

Six 100 mg tablets twice a day. The full dose of Norvir is rarely used. It is most often used at lower doses to "boost" the levels of other PIs in the blood. Take with food.

PREZCOBIX
(darunavir + cobicistat)

One tablet once a day. Each tablet contains 800 mg darunavir + 150 mg cobicistat. Take with food.

PREZISTA
(darunavir)

One 800 mg tablet (or two 400 mg tablets) plus one 100 mg Norvir tablet or 150 mg Tybost tablet once a day, or one 600 mg tablet plus one 100 mg Norvir tablet twice a day, depending on drug resistance. Take with food.

REYATAZ
(atazanavir)

Two 200 mg capsules once a day, or one 300 mg capsule plus one 100 mg Norvir tablet or 150 mg Tybost tablet once a day. Take with food.

VIRACEPT
(nelfinavir)

Two 625 mg tablets twice a day, or five 250 mg tablets twice a day, or three 250 mg tablets three times a day. Take with food.

VITEKTA
(elvitegravir)

One 85 mg tablet once a day when taken with twice-daily Kaletra or once-daily Reyataz plus Norvir. One 150 mg tablet once a day when taken with twice-daily Lexiva plus Norvir, Prezista plus Norvir, or Aptivus plus Norvir. Take with food.

TYBOST
(cobicistat)

150 mg once a day in combination with ARVs that require boosting. Only used to boost other drugs.

When choosing your HIV regimen, be sure to ask:

Potency: Is the combo powerful enough to keep my viral load undetectable?

Safety: What are the short- and long-term side effects of the meds?

Convenience: How many pills must I take, and how many times a day?

Works well with others: How do the meds interact with others I'm taking?

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