

The impact of the M184V resistance mutation on treatment outcomes in patients with HIV infection: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Abstract

HIV is a global deliberating infectious disease. Of note, more than 36 million people living with HIV (PLHIV) with approximately newly diagnosed 1.5 million cases annually. M184V is a single base mutation in the highly conserved YMDD domain of reverse transcriptase (RT). It is one of the most encountered resistances associated with mutations to nucleoside RT inhibitors. There were continuous efforts to evaluate the impact of M184V mutation on the treatment outcomes in PLHIV. Therefore, the present systematic review was executed to reveal the virological failure, virological suppression, and resistance to antiretroviral therapy (ART) regimens in PLHIV with the M184V mutation. All clinical studies comparing the treatment outcomes among PLHIV harboring or not harboring M184V mutation were appropriate for systematic review and meta-analysis. The present systematic review included six articles, encompassing 4760 PLHIV. Of them, 1222 (25.67%) patients had M184V mutation, while 3538 (74.32%) PLHIV did not. The meta-analysis showed that patients with M184V mutation were 1.87 times more liable to virological failure (risk ratio [RR] 1.87; 95% 1.09, 3.20; $p = 0.02$). Furthermore, pooling the data from two studies revealed a significantly higher risk of viral blips (RR 2.26; 95% 1.47, 3.46; $p = 0.0002$). Concerning discontinuation of ART, there was no statistical difference between patients with and without M184V mutation (RR: 0.99; 95% 0.78, 1.25; $p = 0.90$). The present study revealed the negative impact of the M184V mutation on treatment outcomes in PLHIV. This included a higher risk of virological failure and viral blips, relative to patients without the mutation. Such patients may benefit from more aggressive and combined therapy for better disease management.

Keywords

M184V mutation. Resistance. Antiretroviral therapy. Reverse transcriptase. Adherence. Viral blips.

Introduction

HIV is a global deliberating infectious disease. Of note, more than 36 million people living with HIV (PLHIV) with approximately newly diagnosed 1.5 million cases annu-

ally^{1,2}. Since the introduction of antiretroviral therapy (ART), the clinical course of HIV has changed radically. The disease has become a manageable chronic condition with significantly reduced HIV-related mortality and morbidities. However, the issues of treatment toxicity,

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adherence, and tolerability have been raised, particularly with increased life expectancy among PLHIV. The estimated genotypic resistance to combined ART is 5% after the 1st year. This figure rose to 10% after 2 years of ART, and approximately 30% of PLHIV developed virological failure within 6 years of ART. This highlighted the need to adjust the available ART to limit potential adverse events and drug interaction and achieve virological success³⁻⁶.

The reverse transcriptase (RT) enzyme in HIV is multifunctional, posing RNA and DNA-dependent DNA polymerase activities. RT inhibitors' nucleoside and non-nucleoside analogs as terminators for nascent DNA synthesis. Being involved in different mechanisms, the RT enzyme is exceptionally prone to errors, resulting in mutations in the viral genome and subsequent drug resistance⁷⁻⁹. Of note, HIV-resistant variants can persist for an unknown duration in viral reservoirs and re-emerge, impacting the therapeutic response to the current ART¹⁰.

M184V is a single base mutation in the highly conserved YMDD region of RT. It is one of the most encountered resistances associated with mutations to nucleoside RT inhibitors. This mutation could affect nearly 70% of the patients who failed to respond to first-line ART¹¹. The pre-existed M184V mutation within the polymerase domain of the RT has unique effects on the response to different ART. Mutations near the RT enzymatic active site with M184V mutation may hinder the formation of competent polymerization complexes, reducing the therapeutic efficacy of ART. Paradoxically, the M184V mutation may decrease HIV fitness, increasing the susceptibility of HIV RT to zidovudine and tenofovir^{12,13}.

The development of drug resistance drastically contributes to ART failure in PLHIV. Treating such patients is often challenging, with more usage of combined ART and a more increase in drug-related toxicity. Identification of M184V mutation may impact the clinical decisions to implement combinations of ART in PLHIV¹⁴. Such knowledge is necessary to preserve the optimal therapeutic benefits by achieving the desired virological suppression. The current evidence showed controversial findings of the impact of M184V mutation on the outcomes of ART efficacy in PLHIV. There is an urgent clinical need to answer the efficacy of ART in patients harboring or not harboring M184V mutation¹⁵.

There were continuous efforts to evaluate the impact of M184V mutation on the treatment outcomes in PLHIV. These efforts are scanty, raising clinicians' awareness to gather the related evidence in a comprehensive report¹⁶. Therefore, the present systematic review was executed to reveal the virological failure, virological suppression, and resistance to ART regimens in PLHIV

with the M184V mutation. Integrating this knowledge in clinical practice will help to identify PLHIV at higher risk of virological failure. This will improve the results of ART by assorting PLHIV with the most beneficial therapy.

Methods

This systematic review and meta-analysis were performed in accordance with PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses)¹⁷ and the Cochrane collaboration guidelines¹⁸ (Supplementary Table 1). The methodology of the present systematic review was registered in the PROSPERO database (registration number; CRD42022381059).

Data source

A systematic literature search was performed from the inception up to December 8th, 2022, using these databases: Google Scholar, PubMed, ISI, SIGLE, Scopus, Clinical trials, VHL, mRCT, NYAM, EMBASE, ICTRP, and Cochrane Collaboration. The search strategy used vocabulary terms specific to each searched database. The manual search was executed, screening the references of the included studies to reveal all extra articles that were not indexed. The following keywords were used; "M184V," "coronavirus," "human immunodeficiency virus," "HIV," "AIDS," and "acquired immunodeficiency syndrome."

Study selection

All clinical studies comparing the treatment outcomes among PLHIV, receiving antiretroviral regimens, and harboring or not harboring M184V mutation were appropriate for systematic review and meta-analysis. Non-comparative studies, studies with inaccessible data, animal studies, guidelines, review articles, comments, case reports, letters, posters, book chapters, and editorials were excluded. The screening processes were performed independently to assess the eligibility of the revealed articles against the inclusion criteria. The screening processes were summarized using PRISMA flowchart.

Data extraction

The characteristics data were revealed from the eligible studies. This included the study ID, year of publication, study region, study design, and study period. Baseline characteristics of the included articles were extracted, including sample size, patients' age, ethnicity, and gender. The data relating to HIV infection were extracted,

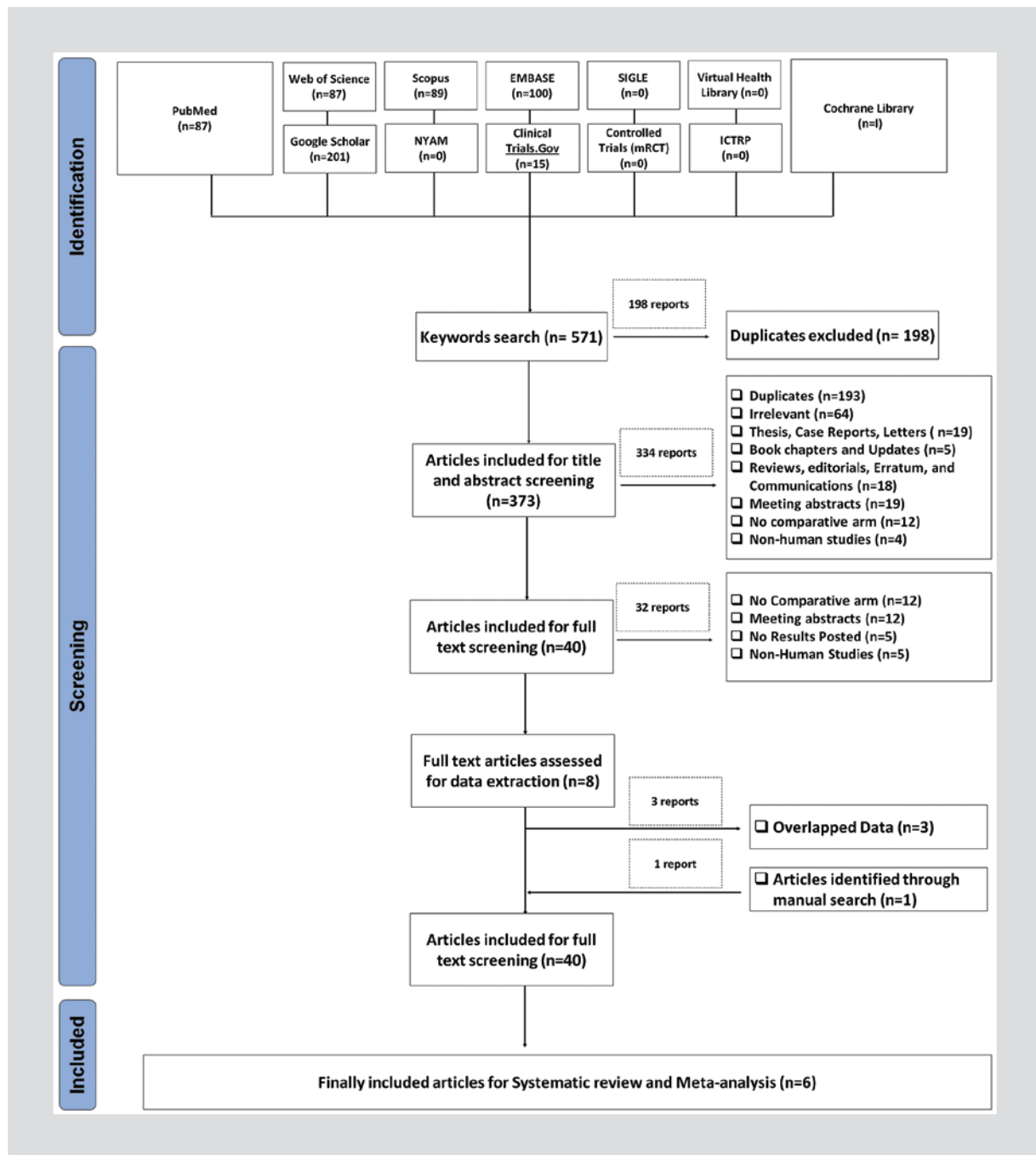


Figure 1. PRISMA flow chart showing the process of the literature search, title, abstract, full-text screening, systematic review, and meta-analysis.

consisting of the duration of viral suppression, CD4+ count (per mm³), history of AIDS diagnosis, course of the disease, and treatment regimens. The data relating to M184V mutation, which included antiviral response, treatment class before and after switching, virological blips, and treatment discontinuation, were extracted. Two authors extracted the data blindly in Microsoft Excel sheet.

Quality assessment of the included studies

The quality of the observational articles was evaluated using the National Institute of Health quality assessment tool¹⁹. The articles were categorized into bad, fair, or good when the score was > 30%, 30-65%, or < 65%, respectively.

Table 1. Baseline demographic characteristics of the included studies

Study ID	Study region	Study design	Study period	Sample size		Age (years)		Gender (male)		Years from HIV diagnosis				
				M184V	Control	M184V	Control	M184V	Control	M184V	Control			
				Number	Number	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	Number	Number	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD			
1	Chen et al., 2020 ²²	Retrospective study	1 September 2017 and 31 May 2019	100	400	40.3 ± 10.0	39.7 ± 9.2	98	392	NR	NR			
2	Gagliardini et al., 2018 ²³	Retrospective study	NR	87	349	52 (48-57)	46 (39-53)	53	257	19.2 (16.1-23.0)	7.8 (3.8-13.7)			
3	Gregson et al., 2020 ²⁴	Retrospective study	NR	817	628	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR			
4	Olearo et al., 2019 ²⁵	Observational longitudinal study	January 16, 2014 up To February 2018	137	1489	53.3 (51.6-55.0)*	48.5 (47.9-49.0)*	95	1170	20.2 (19.2-21.3)*	10.6 (10.2-10.9)*			
5	Rial-Crestelo et al., 2020 ²⁶	Observational study	May 2018 to July 2020	21	20	53.4 (47.1-57.6)	50.8 (42.9-55.3)	16	16	21.5 (17.5-23.5)	16.9 (12-27.4)			
6	Santoro et al., 2022 ²⁷	Observational study	NR	60	652	56 (51-61)	50 (42-58)	37	511	NR	NR			
Study ID	Study region	Study design	Study period	ART duration		Treatment regimen	CD4 lymphocyte count (mm ³)				Quality assessment			
				M184V	Control		Baseline		Nadir		M184V	Control	Mean ± SD	Decision
							Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD				
1	Chen et al., 2020 ²²	Retrospective study	1 September 2017 and 31 May 2019	NR	NR	Elvitegravir, cobicistat, emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide	516 (403-687)	583 (441-745)	NR	NR	75%	Good		
2	Gagliardini et al., 2018 ²³	Retrospective study	NR	NR	NR	lamivudine -based DT	632 (409-922)	620 (453-780)	147 (57-199)	224 (81-313)	75%	Good		

(Continues)

Table 1. Baseline demographic characteristics of the included studies (continued)

Study ID	Study region	Study design	Study period	ART duration		Treatment regimen	CD4 lymphocyte count (mm ³)						Quality assessment	
				M184V	Control		Baseline		Nadir					
							M184V	Control	M184V	Control	Mean ± SD	Control		
				Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD		Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	%	Decision		
3	Gregson et al., 2020 ²⁴	United kingdom	Retrospective study	NR	NR	Tenofovir + Cytosine Analog + NNRTI	NR	NR	NR	NR	66.66%	Good		
4	Olearo et al., 2019 ²⁵	Italy	Observational longitudinal study	January 16, 2014 up To February 2018	NR	Abacavir, Lamivudine, Dolutegravir	665 (649-680)*	667 (612-722)*	178 (155-201)*	232 (224-241)*	75%	Good		
5	Rial-Crestelo et al., 2020 ²⁶	Spain	observational study	May 2018 to July 2020	18.8 (17.2-21)	Lamivudine	NR	NR	NR	NR	66.66%	Good		
6	Santoro et al., 2022 ²⁷	France, Italy, Spain	observational study	NR	NR	DTG plus 3TC	695 (481-885)	682 (511-897)	NR	NR	75%	Good		

ART: antiretroviral therapy; CD4: cluster of differentiation 4; DTG: dual therapy with dolutegravir; 3TC: plus lamivudine; NR: non-reported; SD: standard deviation; RTI: reverse transcriptase inhibitors. *Mean and 95% confidence interval.

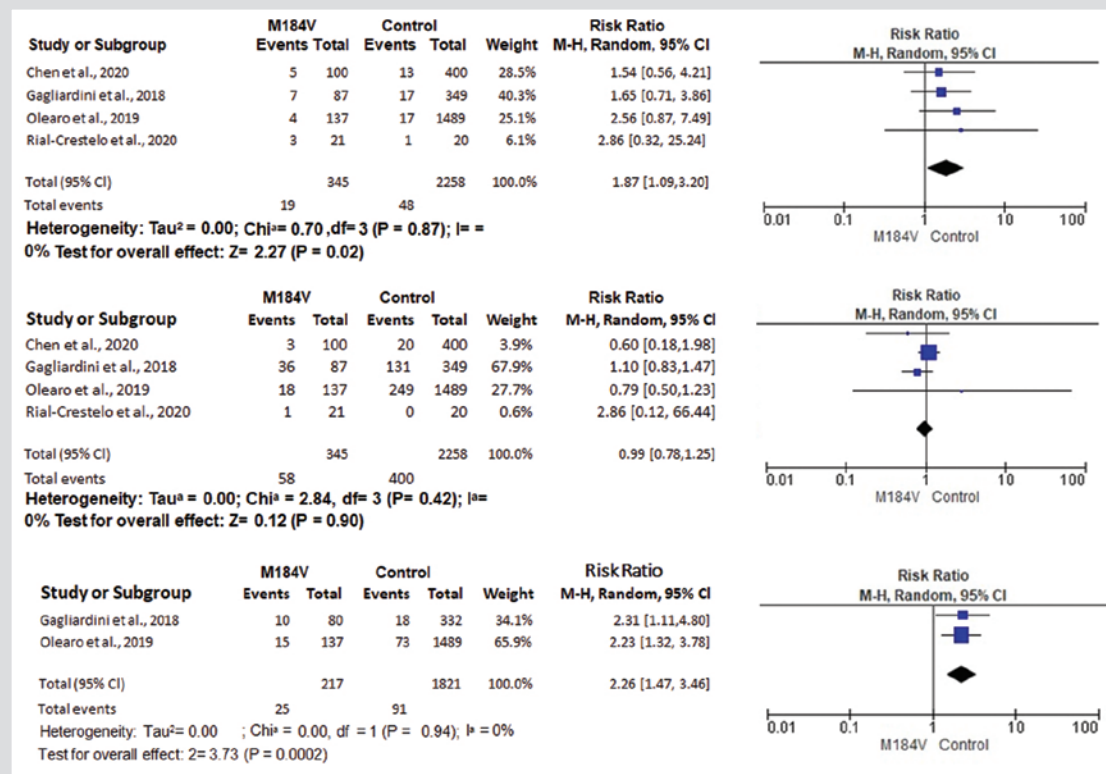


Figure 2. Forest plot of summary analysis of the risk ratio and 95% confidence interval (CI) of the risk of (a) virological failure between patients with M184V and without the mutation, (b) discontinuation of treatment between patients with M184V and without the mutation, and (c) viral blips between patients with M184V and without the mutation. Size of the blue square is proportional to the statistical weight of each trial. The gray diamond represents the pooled point estimate. The positioning of both diamonds and squares (along with 95% CIs) beyond the vertical line (unit value) suggests a significant outcome (inverse variance).

Statistical analysis

The risk ratio (RR) with 95% confidence interval (CI) was implemented for pooling the dichotomous outcomes. The random-effects model was used when the heterogeneity between the eligible articles was revealed. Statistical heterogeneity was evaluated using Higgins I^2 statistic ($> 50\%$), and the Cochrane Q (Chi-square test), at the value of $p < 0.10^{20}$. Data analysis was performed using Review Manager version 5.4²¹. The difference was considered statistically significant when the probability value (p) < 0.05 .

Results

Searching the literature resulted in 571 articles. Consequently, 198 studies were excluded, yielding 373 studies suitable for screening. Out of them, 334 studies were ousted during the title and abstract screening

processes. This resulted in 40 articles suitable for full-text screening. Among them, eight articles were eligible for data extraction, of which three were eliminated. One article was included in the manual search, yielding six studies for meta-analysis. The search approach for the included databases is revealed in Supplementary Table 2. The screening processes are shown in the PRISMA flowchart (Fig. 1).

Demographic characteristics of the eligible articles

The present systematic review and meta-analysis included six articles²²⁻²⁷, encompassing 4760 PLHIV. Of them, 1222 (25.67%) patients had M184V mutation, while 3538 (74.32%) PLHIV did not. There were 299 males in the M184V group, in contrast to 2346 within the control group. The average age of the included patients ranged from 40.3 to 56 years among the M184V

group and from 39.7 to 50.8 years among the control group. The baseline CD4+ lymphocyte count ranged from 516 to 695, while the nadir levels ranged from 147 to 178 and from 224 to 232 among the M184V and the control groups, respectively. All the included studies included patients taking antiretroviral drugs. All the included articles were of good quality (Table 1).

Study outcomes

Virological failure

Four articles, including 2603 PLHIV, assessed the risk of virological failure among patients with M184V and without^{22,23,25,26}. Virological failure was established among 19 (5.5%) patients with M184V mutation, in contrast to 48 (2.1%) patients without the mutation. In the random-effects model ($I^2 = 0\%$, $p = 0.87$), the meta-analysis showed that patients with M184V mutation were 1.87 times more liable to virological failure (RR: 1.87; 95% 1.09, 3.20; $p = 0.02$), in comparison to patients without M184V mutation (Fig. 2a).

Discontinuation of treatment

The risk of treatment discontinuation between patients with M184V mutation and without was assessed within four articles, including 2603 cases^{22,23,25,26}. Discontinuation of the treatment was revealed among 58 (16.81%) patients with M184V mutation and 400 (17.7%) patients without the mutation. In the random-effects model ($I^2 = 0\%$, $p = 0.42$), there was no statistical difference between patients with and without M184V mutation (RR 0.99; 95% 0.78, 1.25; $p = 0.90$) (Fig. 2b).

Viral blips

Two articles included 2038^{23,25} patients who reported the impact of M184V mutation on the risk of viral blips. Of the included patients with M184V mutation, 25 developed viral blips (9.22%). Pooling the data in the random-effects model ($I^2 = 0\%$, $p = 0.94$) revealed a significantly higher risk of viral blips among patients with M184V mutation (RR 2.26; 95% 1.47, 3.46; $p = 0.0002$) (Fig. 2c).

Discussion

The M184V mutation is a prevalent resistant-associated mutation in PLHIV. It was presented in nearly 25% of samples in ART-treated patients who developed virological failure²⁸. The emergence of HIV drug resistance

is inevitable and necessitates continuous research to improve the current practice. The available literature is inconclusive to generate enough evidence regarding the impact of M184V mutation on the treatment efficacy in PLHIV. This is because of insufficient randomized clinical trials, the relatively small sample size of the published studies, and the short follow-up periods. Therefore, this meta-analysis was performed to address the impact of M184V mutation resistance on the virological failure, discontinuation of treatment, and viral blips in PLHIV. The present study revealed a significantly higher risk of virological failure and viral blips among PLHIV and had M184V mutation resistance. There was a similar risk of treatment discontinuation between patients harboring and those non-harboring the M184V mutation. M184V mutation was associated with a higher risk of losing virological control in virologically suppressed PLHIV. The use of additional drugs may be beneficial in the settings of ART drug resistance.

In the present study, the M184V mutation increased the risk of virological failure. Similarly, Hauser et al., 2022 reported that the M184V mutation was the most encountered mutation among patients with virological failure 2 years after ART²⁹. M184V mutation impedes the compensatory mutagenesis of HIV, decreasing the formation of the reverse transcription initiation complex. Particularly, M184V mutation affects the integration with tRNA primer, explaining the late appearance of the pause product at +3 position in the reactions carried out by the muted RT. This affects the synergistic fashion of the initiation reaction, resulting in significant impairment in the synthesis of (-)ss DNA¹³.

M184V mutation may be found in the HIV reservoirs for a prolonged time. Prolonged viral suppression with ART might dilute the quasispecies harboring the M184V in the viral reservoir. The duration and level of viral replication are associated with the persistence of M184V mutation. The size of the reservoir progressively declines during the first 3-4 years of suppression and tends to be plateaued after that³⁰. The seeding of the HIV reservoirs with proviruses carrying the mutation led to persistent resistance to ART over time. Lamivudine is an integrated part of all recommended antiretroviral regimens in both first- and second-line ART. M184V mutation is commonly presented in patients with virological failure and on lamivudine and emtricitabine therapy^{31,32}. Conversely, the presence of M184V mutation might confer some advantages, reducing the viral fitness and the replication capacity of HIV and increasing the susceptibility of HIV to tenofovir^{33,34}.

Preexisting M184V mutation was frequently detected in patients with suppressed HIV. It was associated with

other resistance mutations, longer ART duration, and baseline CD4+ cell count³⁵. In the present study, patients with M184V mutation have more than two folds increase in the risk of viral blips. This confirms the negative impact of M184V mutation on maintaining viral suppression. The burden of M184V mutation supports the need for routine viral load testing for early detection of virological failure and a timely switch to more beneficial therapeutic options³⁶. Switching to more effective therapy improves adherence and avoids toxicity in PLHIV under ART. Switching to dual and triple therapies may be effective for maintaining viral suppression in PLHIV and having M184V mutation. However, detecting the most effective treatment in patients harboring M184V mutation deserved further evaluation^{37,38}.

Of note, Gagliardini et al., 2018, reported a negative impact of coinfection with the hepatitis B virus on the virological response and durability of antiretroviral regimens. The presence of HBsAg limits the use of lamivudine-containing DT and regimens without tenofovir. Furthermore, coinfection with HBV was reported to increase the risk of M184V mutation even without previous exposure to ART. However, the data on the impact of coinfection with HBV in patients with HIV and M184 mutations are limited, requiring further investigations^{32,40}.

The present systematic review revealed the impact of M184V mutation on the treatment outcomes in PLHIV. Paradoxically, the present study's findings had some limitations and need some caution while interpreting it. All the eligible articles were observational, conferring a relative risk of bias. Furthermore, the adherence-related data to ART were not reported thoroughly, which may confound the treatment outcomes. There was considerable heterogeneity between the eligible articles. This may reveal the difference in treatment regimens, duration of HIV suppression, time since diagnosis of HIV, demographic characteristics of the included patients, study design, and follow-up periods. The presence of the M184V mutation warrants further research to tackle the limitations of the current systematic review and to optimize a treatment protocol for patients with existing M184V mutation.

Conclusions

The present systematic review revealed the negative impact of the M184V mutation on treatment outcomes in PLHIV. This included a higher risk of virological failure and viral blips, relative to patients without the mutation. There was no impact of the M184V mutation on treatment discontinuation. Further randomized con-

trolled trials with considerable sample sizes and long-term follow-up periods are required to alleviate the limitations of the current systematic review study.

Supplementary data

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