

# HIV Antiretroviral Drug Resistance in Virginia:

## a Descriptive Analysis Comparing Genotype Data from Two Different Time Periods

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### Introduction

- Antiretroviral drug (ARV) resistance is conferred via mutations in the HIV genome
- Major mutations, by themselves, may reduce susceptibility to one or more ARVs<sup>2</sup>
- Minor mutations have little to no effect on susceptibility unless combined with a major mutation or may increase the replication fitness of viruses with major mutations<sup>2</sup>
- These mutations can be spread through transmitted drug resistant mutations (TDRMs) and are associated with treatment failure<sup>1</sup>
- Evaluating TDRMs and ARV resistance patterns can help guide treatment and direct public health interventions

### Results

**Completeness of Variant, Atypical, and Resistant HIV Surveillance (VARHS) Data in Virginia\***

	2004		2005		2006		2007		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total genotypes collected	20	--	116	--	216	--	207	--	559	--
Total eligible baseline genotypes collected <sup>a</sup>	17	85	103	89	193	89	180	87	493	88
Total eligible baseline genotypes with transmitted drug resistant mutations <sup>b</sup>	9	53	40	39	75	39	66	37	190	39

\* Based on specimen collection date  
<sup>a</sup> Defined as total number of genotype tests conducted within three months of HIV diagnosis  
<sup>b</sup> Defined as the total number of eligible genotypes with a major, minor, or accessory mutation

**Completeness of Molecular HIV Surveillance (MHS) Data in Virginia\***

	2013		2014		2015		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total genotypes collected	970	--	1065	--	1182	--	3217	--
Total eligible baseline genotypes collected <sup>a</sup>	230	24	304	29	333	28	867	27
Total eligible baseline genotypes with transmitted drug resistant mutations <sup>b</sup>	106	46	135	44	152	46	393	45

\* Based on specimen collection date  
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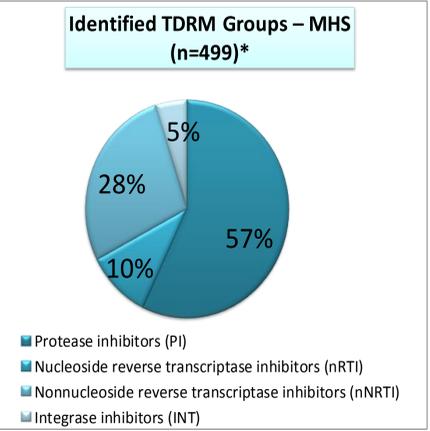
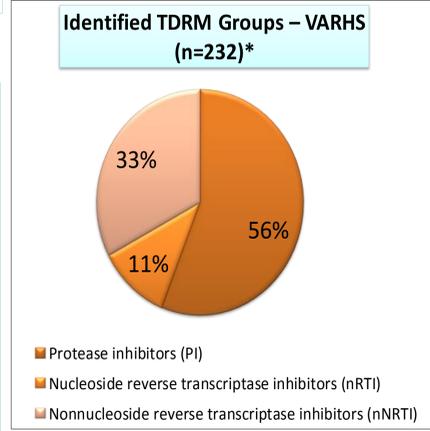
### Conclusion

- Overall, the mutation and resistance patterns observed across the two time frames appear to be similar
- There was a higher percentage of high-level resistance to PI ARVs identified in the VARHS time period compared to the MHS time period
- The MHS time period had an overall higher proportion of TDRMs, but VARHS had a higher proportion of major mutations
- The increased high-level resistance observed in VARHS genotypes may be attributable to a higher frequency of major mutations that was not observed in MHS
- The overall similarities between the VARHS and MHS time periods show that there has been consistency in the TDRMs circulating in Virginia.

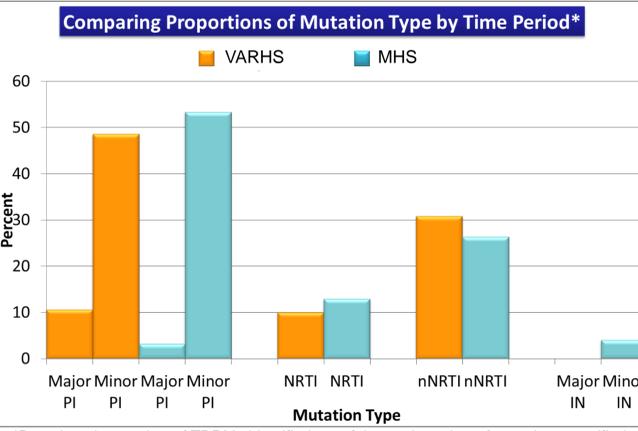
### Background

TDRMs and ARV resistance patterns in circulating HIV strains have been monitored in Virginia by two similar surveillance programs:

- Variant, Atypical, and Resistant HIV Surveillance (VARHS) program from 2004-2007, which used aliquots of remnant specimens drawn for HIV diagnostic testing of newly diagnosed individuals
- Molecular HIV Surveillance (MHS) program from 2013-2015, which uses eligible baseline genotypes reported to VDH from laboratories and healthcare providers



\*Based on the total number of TDRMs identified in eligible baseline genotypes per TDRM group for each time period. A sequence may be included in more than one TDRM group. INT tests were not performed during the VARHS time period.



\*Based on the number of TDRMs identified out of the total number of mutations stratified for each time period (VARHS n=321; MHS n=622). A sequence may have more than one mutation within a TDRM group and may have mutations in multiple groups.

### Limitations and Next Steps

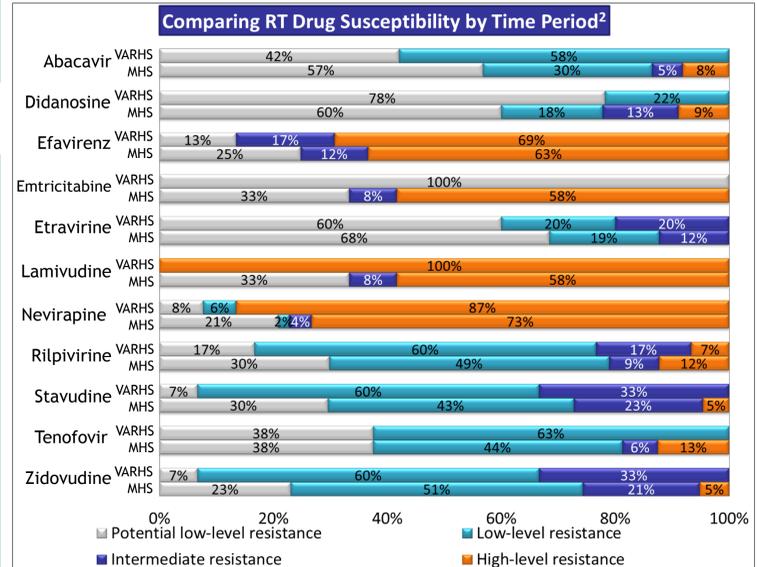
- INT testing was not performed during the VARHS time period, thus comparisons with MHS data could not be made
- HIV nucleotide sequence data reporting was not mandated during these two time periods, leading to low and incomplete numbers of genotypes reported to VDH.
- Of the 9 laboratories conducting HIV nucleotide genotyping on VA residents, only 7 were submitting data at some point during the MHS time period. At least 1 of the 7 were only able to submit data for 2015, leaving 2013 and 2014 underreported
- Complete reporting of all baseline genotypes is critical to continue tracking the evolution and transmission of TDRMs and ARV resistance patterns

### Purpose

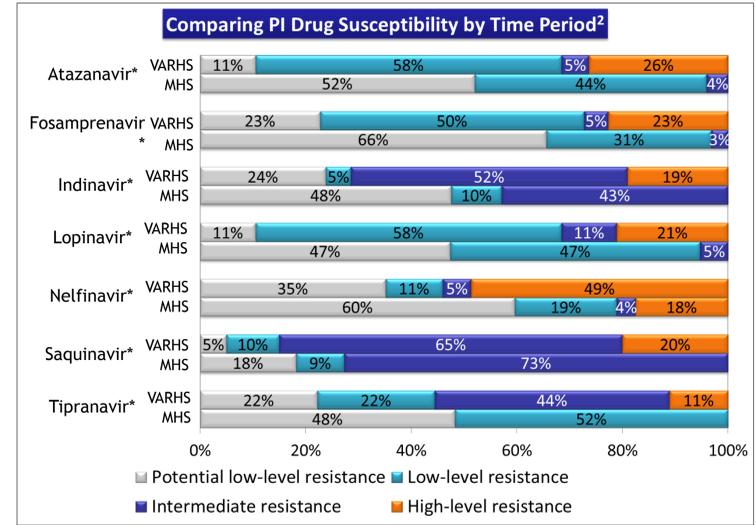
The aim of this study was to compare circulating TDRMs and ARV resistance patterns seen in Virginia across two different timeframes.

### Methods

- Data were collected from VARHS between 2004-2007 and from MHS between 2013-2015.
- Only eligible baseline HIV genotypes were included; eligible baseline HIV genotypes were defined as genotypes collected within 3 months of initial HIV diagnosis
- The Stanford University HIV Drug Resistance Database's genotypic resistance interpretation algorithm was used to identify ARV-resistant mutations and predict resistance patterns<sup>2</sup>
- Genotype completeness was reviewed and common mutations and ARV resistance patterns were compared between the two timeframes



<sup>2</sup> Susceptibility results were predicted using the Stanford University HIV Drug Resistance Database algorithm



\*Coupled with a low dose of ritonavir  
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 Note: Darunavir excluded due to low numbers; potential low-level (1) and low-level resistance were seen in VARHS data and low-level resistance (1) was seen in MHS.

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