

1 Appendix D: Evidence tables – RQ HH & II - Diagnosis of active TB

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RQ HH: According to their risk factors, which people with either latent TB infection or in close contact with people who have active TB should receive drug treatment to prevent the development of active TB?

Risk factors for benefit or harm from the treatment of latent tuberculosis

A.1.1 Radhakrishnan, S., & Subramani, R. (2011)

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| Study type | Cohort |
| Study quality | <p>Population taken from a double-blind randomised control trial assessing the protective efficacy of BCG vaccination.</p> <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest as TST¹ negative participants are included; however subgroup analysis is possible.</p> <p>Baseline: Unclear if cohorts were matched for the amount that received BCG vaccination or placebo in the initial trial; however the primary paper found no difference in incidence of TB between these two populations.</p> <p>Analysis of variance was undertaken to balance the comparison groups for other potential confounding factors.</p> <p>Baseline: Cohort was significantly older in persons in households without a TB case. Isoniazid susceptible cohort had the lowest proportion of males. Isoniazid resistant cohort had the highest proportion of infected participants.</p> <p>Follow up: Planned follow up was 15 years however, in the primary study subjects with an initial induration of > 15 mm who were unlikely to benefit from BCG had follow up reduced to 7.5 years to reduce workload. Analysis was adjusted to allow for differences in length of follow up.</p> <p>In terms of person-years, follow up was similar in the three series in the first 5 years. An appropriate length of follow up was used.</p> |

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| | The study used a precise definition of outcome. A valid and reliable method was used to determine outcome. Investigators were blinded to important confounding and prognostic factors. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Total= 253,186 participants Isoniazid (INH) susceptible contacts= 5562 INH ² -resistant contacts = 779 No household contact= 246845 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | Included Household contacts of TB patients Excluded Positive smear culture, abnormal radiograph or no radiograph available. Contacts of cases with no initial drug susceptibility testing Baseline characteristics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>INH² susceptible</th> <th>INH² resistant</th> <th>Control</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age at intake, years</td> <td>876</td> <td>129</td> <td>35593</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0-4</td> <td>943</td> <td>140</td> <td>37063</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5-9</td> <td>932</td> <td>136</td> <td>34061</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | INH ² susceptible | INH ² resistant | Control | Age at intake, years | 876 | 129 | 35593 | 0-4 | 943 | 140 | 37063 | 5-9 | 932 | 136 | 34061 |
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| | 10-14 | 1056 | 134 | 39696 |
| | 15-24 | 688 | 113 | 36583 |
| | 25-34 | 462 | 49 | 27888 |
| | 35-44 | 348 | 43 | 19808 |
| | 45-54 | 257 | 35 | 16153 |
| | ≥55 | 5562 | 779 | 246845 |
| | Total | 19.8 | 19.0 | 22.7 |
| | mean | | | |
| | Sex | 2533 (45.5%) | 383 (49.2%) | 122581 (49.7%) |
| | Male | 3029 (54.5%) | 396 (50.8%) | 124 264 (50.3%) |
| | Female | | | |
| | Infection status at intake | 2444 (43.9%) | 235 (30.2%) | 132400 (53.6%) |
| | Not infected | 3118 (56.1%) | 544 (69.8%) | 114445 (46.4%) |
| | Infected | | | |
| Intervention | Household contacts of isoniazid susceptible cases N= 5562 | | | |
| | Household contacts of isoniazid resistant cases N= 779 | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Radhakrishnan, S., & Subramani, R. (2011). Risk of tuberculosis among contacts of isoniazid-resistant and isoniazid-susceptible cases. <i>INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF TUBERCULOSIS AND LUNG DISEASE, 15(6)</i>, 782-788. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Comparison | Control group of participants without household contact of TB N= 246845 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | 15 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | India | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of tuberculosis <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subgroup</th> <th>Risk group</th> <th>Population</th> <th>Standardised incidence/100000</th> <th>Hazard Ratio</th> <th>95% confidence interval</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="3">Infected patients</td> <td>No TB case at home</td> <td>114445</td> <td>314</td> <td>1.0</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>INH²- susceptible contact</td> <td>5835</td> <td>530</td> <td>1.8</td> <td>1.4-2.2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>INH²- resistant contact</td> <td>728</td> <td>436</td> <td>2.2</td> <td>1.5-3.3</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Not infected female child</td> <td>46303</td> <td></td> <td>1.0</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Number of participants diagnosed with tuberculosis | | | | | | | Subgroup | Risk group | Population | Standardised incidence/100000 | Hazard Ratio | 95% confidence interval | Infected patients | No TB case at home | 114445 | 314 | 1.0 | | INH ² - susceptible contact | 5835 | 530 | 1.8 | 1.4-2.2 | INH ² - resistant contact | 728 | 436 | 2.2 | 1.5-3.3 | | Not infected female child | 46303 | | 1.0 | |
| Subgroup | Risk group | Population | Standardised incidence/100000 | Hazard Ratio | 95% confidence interval | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Infected patients | Infected female child | 8521 | 8.3 | 5.6-12.3 | | | | | | | |
| | | Infected male child | 9841 | 12.2 | 8.4-17.6 | | | | | | | |
| | | Infected female adult | 48132 | 15.8 | 11.0-22.7 | | | | | | | |
| | | Infected male adult | 54514 | 50.6 | 34.2-74.8 | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear who provided funding for this project A trial from the Indian Council of Medical Research | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: The baseline prevalence of tuberculosis infection was substantially higher in contacts of INH-resistant than INH-susceptible patients, but the incidence of tuberculosis disease over a 15 year follow up was similar in the two series, and twice as high as in non-contacts. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ¹ TST- tuberculin skin test | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ² INH- Isoniazid | | | | | | | | | | | | |

A.1.2 Casado JL, Moreno S et al (2002)

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| Bibliographic reference | Casado, J. L., Moreno, S., Fortún, J., Antela, A., Quereda, C., Navas, E., ... & Dronda, F. (2002). Risk Factors for Development of Tuberculosis after Isoniazid Chemoprophylaxis in Human Immunodeficiency Virus—Infected Patients. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i> , 34(3), 386-389. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches the population of interest</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of active tuberculosis.</p> <p>Unclear if all patients received the same level of care.</p> <p>Follow up: median follow up was 43 months (range 14-118 months). Adjustments were attempted to allow for differences. Length of follow up was appropriate.</p> <p>Patients included were comparable for intervention completion. Patients stopping treatment due to adverse events were excluded from the study. All patients received ≥ 9 months of isoniazid prophylaxis. Unclear if those stopping treatment were systematically different from those who remained in the study.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was unclear: persistence of predisposing conditions for TB infection was highlighted as the main risk factor with no attempt to break down the data any further.</p> <p>Unclear if a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 131 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 131</p> <p>HIV infected patients under treatment for latent TB with isoniazid chemoprophylaxis.</p> <p>“Compliant” patients</p> <p>Received ≥ 9 months of isoniazid chemoprophylaxis</p> <p>Follow up lasting ≥ 1 year after isoniazid chemoprophylaxis, or until death</p> <p>Positive TST¹</p> |

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| | Excluded Receiving HAART ³ Baseline characteristics Mean age: 35 years (range, 21-58 years) Males/females: 102/29 patients Median CD4 cell count: 405 cells/ml Injection drug use: 82% Homosexuality: 8% Heterosexual intercourse with HIV infected partner 6% Unknown:4% Prior AIDS defining illness- 3% Drug addiction: 83% Prior imprisonment: 21% Close contact with recently diagnosed TB case: 10% Multiple factors for TB: 21% |
| Intervention | >9 months of isoniazid preventive therapy= 131 |
| Length of follow up | Median follow up: 43 months |
| Location | Spain |

| Bibliographic reference | Casado, J. L., Moreno, S., Fortún, J., Antela, A., Quereda, C., Navas, E., ... & Dronda, F. (2002). Risk Factors for Development of Tuberculosis after Isoniazid Chemoprophylaxis in Human Immunodeficiency Virus—Infected Patients. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i> , 34(3), 386-389. | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---------|--|--|--|---------|--|---------------------|------|--|----------------|--------|
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of developing tuberculosis</p> <p>Multivariate model of risk factors:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Relative hazard (95% CI²)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>CD4 cell count (per each unit of increase)</td> <td>0.995 (0.992-1.003)</td> <td>0.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Persistence of predisposing factors for TB</td> <td>3.17 (1.56-17)</td> <td>0.0002</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Unclear which predisposing factors proved the greater risk, or which were included in the multivariate model: Data initially collected included: demographic data, initial CD4 cell count, compliance, toxicity, predisposing factors for TB before and after isoniazid treatment, incidence of and time to development of TB, CD4 cell count at the time of disease and survival.</p> | | | | Relative hazard (95% CI ²) | P value | CD4 cell count (per each unit of increase) | 0.995 (0.992-1.003) | 0.06 | Persistence of predisposing factors for TB | 3.17 (1.56-17) | 0.0002 |
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| CD4 cell count (per each unit of increase) | 0.995 (0.992-1.003) | 0.06 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Persistence of predisposing factors for TB | 3.17 (1.56-17) | 0.0002 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | <p>Unclear who provided funding for this project</p> <p>A trial from the Department of Infectious Diseases, Madrid</p> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | <p>SUMMARY: Of all the factors investigated, only the persistence of predisposing conditions for TB infection, such as drug addiction or new prison admissions, was found to increase the risk of active TB. This suggests reinfection as the main cause of TB after isoniazid chemoprophylaxis.</p> <p>Most patients received isoniazid chemoprophylaxis early in the course of HIV infection and thus the effect of CD4 count drop on the rate of TB could not be estimated.</p> <p>All patients included were also compliant adherers to medication therefore the effect of non-compliance to treatment also could not be estimated.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Abbreviations:</p> <p>¹TST- tuberculin skin test</p> <p>²CI- confidence interval</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| ³ HAART- Highly active antiretroviral therapy | |

A.1.3 Tedla Z Nyrenda S et al (2010)

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| Study type | Cohort |
| Study quality | <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest as TST¹ negative participants were likely included in the population.</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Participants received the same isoniazid intervention under the Botswana national guidelines. Unclear if patients received the same care and support aside from this intervention at the different cities and health clinic settings in the study.</p> <p>Follow up: No follow up apparent beyond the 6 month treatment period. Groups were comparable for treatment completion and those who had completed less than 4 months of isoniazid treatment were excluded from the study.</p> <p>No attempt was made to examine those who dropped out for any important or systematic differences to the remaining participants.</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was used and a valid and reliable method used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | In total= 1,995 participants |
| Patient characteristics | <p>1,995 HIV infected participants were enrolled at 8 different local health clinics in the cities of Gaborone and Francistown in Botswana.</p> <p>Included</p> <p>HIV infected</p> <p>Aged 18-70 years</p> <p>Free from cough, fever, clinical AIDS, respiratory illness or lymphadenopathy on examination</p> <p>Under isoniazid preventive therapy</p> <p>Excluded</p> |

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| | <p>Pregnant</p> <p>Serum aspartate aminotransferase > 85 international units (IU)</p> <p>Alanine aminotransferase > 103 IU/L (≥ 2.5 times upper limit of normal)</p> <p>Total Bilirubin greater than 39 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ (≥ 1.5 times upper limit of normal)</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> <p>Male/Female: 28% / 72%</p> <p>Median age: 32 years (range 18-70 years)</p> <p>Underweight (BMI^2): 18%</p> <p>Overweight (BMI^2): 17%</p> <p>Obese (BMI^2): 9%</p> <p>Tuberculin skin test positive: 24%</p> <p>CD4 count <200: 31%</p> <p>Undergoing antiretroviral therapy: 26%</p> |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid</p> <p>For body weight ranging 30-49 kg</p> <p>Isoniazid: 300mg daily, for 6 months</p> <p>Pyridoxine: 25mg daily, for 6 months</p> <p>Self-administered</p> |

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| | For body weight ranging >50 kg Isoniazid: 400mg daily, for 6 months Pyridoxine: 25mg daily, for 6 months Self-administered | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | No apparent follow up beyond treatment period | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Botswana | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk factors associated with severe isoniazid-associated hepatitis during 6 months of isoniazid preventive therapy</p> <p>Relative risks:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Fraction of participants with hepatitis</th> <th>Relative risk (95% CI²)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age</td> <td>9/645</td> <td>1.56 (0.64-3.82)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>>35 y</td> <td>10/1117</td> <td>1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>≤35 y</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sex</td> <td>13/1293</td> <td>0.79 (0.30-2.06)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Female</td> <td>6/469</td> <td>1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Body mass index</td> <td>2/304</td> <td>0.63 (0.14-2.72)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Underweight</td> <td>15/1426</td> <td>1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not underweight</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | Fraction of participants with hepatitis | Relative risk (95% CI ²) | Age | 9/645 | 1.56 (0.64-3.82) | >35 y | 10/1117 | 1.00 | ≤35 y | | | Sex | 13/1293 | 0.79 (0.30-2.06) | Female | 6/469 | 1.00 | Male | | | Body mass index | 2/304 | 0.63 (0.14-2.72) | Underweight | 15/1426 | 1.00 | Not underweight | | |
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| ≤35 y | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex | 13/1293 | 0.79 (0.30-2.06) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Female | 6/469 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Body mass index | 2/304 | 0.63 (0.14-2.72) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Underweight | 15/1426 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Not underweight | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Tedla, Z., Nyirenda, S., Peeler, C., Agizew, T., Sibanda, T., Motsamai, O., ... & Samandari, T. (2010). Isoniazid-associated hepatitis and antiretoviral drugs during tuberculosis prophylaxis in HIV-infected adults in Botswana. <i>American journal of respiratory and critical care medicine</i> , 182(2), 278-285. | | |
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| CD4 lymphocyte count | 10/501 | 2.80 (1.14-6.84) | |
| CD4 <200 cells/mm ³ | 9/1261 | 1.00 | |
| CD4 ≥200 cells/mm ³ | | | |
| Anti-retroviral therapy (ART) | 7/480 | 1.56 (0.62-3.93) | |
| Receipt of ART | 12/1282 | 1.00 | |
| No receipt of ART | | | |
| Efavirenz | 2/223 | 0.46 (0.09-2.35) | |
| Efavirenz based regimens | 5/257 | 1.00 | |
| ART not efavirenz | | | |
| Efavirenz | 2/223 | 0.96 (0.21-4.31) | |
| Efavirenz based regimens | 12/1282 | 1.00 | |
| Not ART | | | |
| Nevirapine | 5/256 | 2.19 (0.43-11.2) | |
| Niverapine therapy | 2/224 | 1.00 | |
| ART not using nevirapine | | | |
| Nevirapine | 5/256 | 2.09 (0.74-5.87) | |
| Niverapine therapy | 12/1282 | 1.00 | |
| Not ART | | | |
| NNRTI ³ | 7/479 | - | |

| Bibliographic reference | Tedla, Z., Nyirenda, S., Peeler, C., Agizew, T., Sibanda, T., Motsamai, O., ... & Samandari, T. (2010). Isoniazid-associated hepatitis and antiretroviral drugs during tuberculosis prophylaxis in HIV-infected adults in Botswana. <i>American journal of respiratory and critical care medicine</i>, 182(2), 278-285. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | NNRTI ³ | 0/1 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | NO NNRTI ³ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Co-trimoxazole | 4/245 | 1.65 (0.55-4.93) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Co-trimoxazole use | 12/1517 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | No co-trimoxazole | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Alcohol | 8/597 | 1.42 (0.57-3.51) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Drinks alcohol | 11/1165 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | No alcohol | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Alcohol dependence | 8/358 | 2.37 (0.96-5.84) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | CAGE ≤ 1 | 11/1165 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | CAGE = 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Viral Hepatitis | <p>Viral Hepatitis as a risk factor for isoniazid hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Thirteen case subjects and 127 control subjects were tested for HBV and HCV.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Hep B Viral Serological Pattern</th> <th>Interpretation</th> <th>Case Subjects</th> <th>Control Subjects</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Hepatitis B core antibody: negative</td> <td>Susceptible</td> <td>4</td> <td>51</td> <td>55</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hepatitis B surface antibody: negative</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hepatitis B surface</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | Hep B Viral Serological Pattern | Interpretation | Case Subjects | Control Subjects | Total | Hepatitis B core antibody: negative | Susceptible | 4 | 51 | 55 | Hepatitis B surface antibody: negative | | | | | Hepatitis B surface | | | | |
| Hep B Viral Serological Pattern | Interpretation | Case Subjects | Control Subjects | Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hepatitis B core antibody: negative | Susceptible | 4 | 51 | 55 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hepatitis B surface antibody: negative | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hepatitis B surface | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Tedi, Z., Nyirenda, S., Peeler, C., Agizew, T., Sibanda, T., Motsamai, O., ... & Samandari, T. (2010). Isoniazid-associated hepatitis and antiretroviral drugs during tuberculosis prophylaxis in HIV-infected adults in Botswana. <i>American journal of respiratory and critical care medicine</i> , 182(2), 278-285. | | | | |
| | Hepatitis B core antibody: positive | Natural infection that resolved | 7 | 60 | 67 |
| | Hepatitis B surface antibody: positive/negative | | | | |
| | Hepatitis B surface antigen: negative | | | | |
| | Hepatitis B core antibody: negative | Immune due to immunization | 1 | 7 | 8 |
| | Hepatitis B surface antibody: positive | | | | |
| | Hepatitis B surface antigen: negative | | | | |
| | Hepatitis B core antibody: positive | Chronic infection | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| | Hepatitis B surface antibody: negative | | | | |
| | Hepatitis B surface antigen: positive | | | | |
| | Incomplete serology | other | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | | | 13 | 127 | 140 |
| | None of the cases of isoniazid hepatitis had chronic viral hepatitis B infection therefore no evidence of an association between the two was found. | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Tedla, Z., Nyirenda, S., Peeler, C., Agizew, T., Sibanda, T., Motsamai, O., ... & Samandari, T. (2010). Isoniazid-associated hepatitis and antiretroviral drugs during tuberculosis prophylaxis in HIV-infected adults in Botswana. <i>American journal of respiratory and critical care medicine</i> , 182(2), 278-285. |
| Source of funding | Unclear who provided funding for this project One of the named researchers has full time employment under a pharmaceutical company |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Of all risk factors under study, only CD4 cell count <200 cells/mm ³ was significantly related to a higher risk of isoniazid associated hepatitis after multivariate analysis. There was however a significant interaction term between this and antiretroviral therapy. |
| ¹ TST- tuberculin skin test | |
| ² BMI- Body Mass Index | |
| ³ NNRTI- Nonnucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor | |

A.1.4 Mori MA, Leonardson G et al (1992)

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| Bibliographic reference | Mori, M. A., Leonardson, G., & Welty, T. K. (1992). The benefits of isoniazid chemoprophylaxis and risk factors for tuberculosis among Oglala Sioux Indians. <i>Archives of internal medicine</i> , 152(3), 547-550. |
| Study type | Case Control |
| Study quality | <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest: Native American people were enrolled; this population has an incidence of TB two to three times that of the surrounding populations. Not all patients in the active tuberculosis group had a documented positive TST¹ test prior to TB diagnosis. 1 had a negative TST¹ and 8 had an unknown infection status.</p> <p>Outcome matches outcome of interest.</p> <p>The study does not ask a clearly focused question: It attempts to illicit the benefit of isoniazid preventive therapy in those that are tuberculin reactors however some non-reactors were also included in the analysis thereby confounding the study data. Also since documented TST¹ reactors are more likely to be offered chemoprophylaxis, the control group is likely to overestimate the proportion of latently infected people in the population who receive preventive therapy.</p> <p>The data on risk factors for developing tuberculosis is more useful but still confounded by the presence of non-TST¹ reactors in the case group.</p> <p>The cases and controls are taken from comparable populations, however, control patients were found to be more compliant to treatment when compared to tuberculosis cases.</p> <p>As mentioned, the same exclusion criteria were not used for both cases and controls in regard to previous positive TST¹ result.</p> <p>Participants and non-participants were not compared</p> <p>Cases are clearly defined and differentiated from controls. It is established that controls are not cases.</p> <p>No measures appear to have been taken to prevent knowledge of primary exposure(s) from influencing case ascertainment</p> <p>Exposure to diabetes may have not been measured in a standard and reliable fashion since patients with high random or fasting blood glucose recordings were listed as being diabetic, however British guidelines require more than just one isolated raised blood glucose level. Chart documentation supplied many of the other diagnoses such as notation of alcohol abuse or admissions related to alcoholism.</p> |

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| Bibliographic reference | Mori, M. A., Leonardson, G., & Welty, T. K. (1992). The benefits of isoniazid chemoprophylaxis and risk factors for tuberculosis among Oglala Sioux Indians. <i>Archives of internal medicine</i> , 152(3), 547-550. |
| | <p>Multivariate analysis allows many of the main potential confounders to be taken into account</p> <p>Confidence intervals have been provided.</p> <p>As mentioned the fact that the control group were chosen on the basis of TST¹ reaction means that more of these participants were offered chemoprophylaxis than would have been in the general latently infected population. Therefore results would not be generalizable to this source population in regards to development of active tuberculosis.</p> <p>Comparisons are made for age, sex, chemoprophylaxis therapy, immunosuppression, alcohol abuse, diabetes, chronic renal failure and pulmonary scarring or nodules on x-ray.</p> <p>Unclear how long participant's histories were tracked for</p> <p>Unclear how this study was funded.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>In total= 92 participants</p> <p>Active tuberculosis infected= 46</p> <p>Tuberculin reactors without active disease= 46</p> |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included</p> <p>Case group:</p> <p>every adult with active tuberculosis</p> <p>age > 18 years</p> <p>Control group:</p> <p>positive tuberculin test recorded in medical records before the median date of diagnosis of tuberculosis in the case group</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Case group:</p> <p>patients who had undergone reactivation of tuberculosis and had received chemotherapy</p> |

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| | Baseline characteristics | | |
| | | Cases n=46 | Controls n= 46 |
| | Median age, y | 54.5 | 56.5 |
| | Sex, % | 65.2 | 45.7 |
| | M | 34.8 | 54.3 |
| | F | | |
| | 6+ months of isoniazid chemoprophylaxis | 1 | 24 |
| | Immunosuppression | 3 | 1 |
| | Alcohol abuse | 25 | 15 |
| | Diabetes | 16 | 5 |
| | M | 8 | 2 |
| | F | 8 | 3 |
| | Chronic renal Failure | 6 | 0 |
| | Pulmonary scarring/nodules, among those with radiograms | 20 | 16 |
| Intervention | Those who develop active tuberculosis | | |
| Comparison | Those who have latent tuberculosis but do not develop active disease | | |
| Length of follow up | Unclear | | |

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| Location | USA | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Risk factors for active tuberculosis After multivariate analysis | | | | | | |
| | Cases n=46 | Controls n=46 | Crude odds ratio | 95% confidence interval | Adjusted odds ratio | Adjusted 95% confidence interval | |
| | 6+ months chemoprophylaxis | 1 | 24 | 0.02 | 0-0.15 | 0.02 | 0.002-0.16 |
| | Alcohol abuse | 25 | 15 | 2.5 | 0.97-6.3 | 3.8 | 1.15-12.3 |
| | Diabetes | 16 | 5 | 4.4 | 1.29-15.5 | 5.2 | 1.22-22.1 |
| Source of funding | Unclear who provided funding for this project | | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: After multivariate analysis: Diabetes, alcohol abuse and chronic renal failure were risk factors for active tuberculosis development after latent tuberculosis infection. | | | | | | |
| ^TST- tuberculin skin test | | | | | | | |

A.1.5 Fountain FF, Tolley E et al (2005)

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| Bibliographic reference | Fountain, Francis F., Elizabeth Tolley, Cary R. Chrisman, and Timothy H. Self. "Isoniazid Hepatotoxicity Associated With Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis InfectionA 7-Year Evaluation From a Public Health Tuberculosis Clinic." <i>CHEST Journal</i> 128, no. 1 (2005): 116-123. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches the population of interest</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity.</p> <p>Patients did not receive the same level of care as participants within the last three years of the study were given 9 months of isoniazid instead of 6 months, due to changes in American Thoracic Society Guidelines. Participants were treated from the same site.</p> <p>Follow up: testing for hepatotoxicity took place at 1 month, 3 months and 6 months. No further testing took place. Follow up was possibly not appropriate since patients may suffer hepatotoxicity following treatment or within the last 3 months of treatment.</p> <p>Treatment completion was poor across the board with only 43.13% of patients completing 3 months of therapy and 21.65% of patients completing 6 months of therapy. Attempts to find the systematic differences between those who did or did not complete treatment have been made. Those who completed treatment were more likely to be at least 50 years old. Those who did not complete treatment were associated with having hepatitis or being treated within the period that a longer regimen of isoniazid was recommended (9 months).</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used. Unclear if multivariate analysis adjusted for varying compliance.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was clear</p> <p>A valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 3,377 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 3,377</p> <p>Receiving isoniazid chemoprophylaxis for latent tuberculosis</p> <p>Aged ≥25 years</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Fountain, Francis F., Elizabeth Tolley, Cary R. Chrisman, and Timothy H. Self. "Isoniazid Hepatotoxicity Associated With Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis InfectionA 7-Year Evaluation From a Public Health Tuberculosis Clinic." <i>CHEST Journal</i> 128, no. 1 (2005): 116-123. | |
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| | Excluded | |
| | Pregnancy | |
| | 3 months postpartum | |
| | Baseline AST ¹ level more than 3 times the upper limit of normal | |
| | History of isoniazid allergy | |
| | Baseline characteristics | |
| Characteristics | Number of participants | % |
| Year of treatment initiation | 16 | 0.47 |
| 1996 | 276 | 8.17 |
| 1997 | 439 | 13.00 |
| 1998 | 484 | 14.33 |
| 1999 | 456 | 13.50 |
| 2000 | 553 | 16.38 |
| 2001 | 622 | 18.42 |
| 2002 | 531 | 15.72 |
| 2003 | | |
| Age, yr | 1533 | 45.40 |
| 25-34 | 1409 | 41.72 |

| Bibliographic reference | Fountain, Francis F., Elizabeth Tolley, Cary R. Chrisman, and Timothy H. Self. "Isoniazid Hepatotoxicity Associated With Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis InfectionA 7-Year Evaluation From a Public Health Tuberculosis Clinic." <i>CHEST Journal</i> 128, no. 1 (2005): 116-123. | | |
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| 35-49 | 435 | 12.88 | |
| ≥50 | | | |
| Gender | 2075 | 61.45 | |
| M | 1302 | 38.55 | |
| F | | | |
| Race | 2443 | 72.34 | |
| African American | 403 | 11.93 | |
| White | 285 | 8.44 | |
| Hispanic | 229 | 6.78 | |
| Asian | 17 | 0.50 | |
| Unknown | | | |
| Alcohol Consumption | 2474 | 73.26 | |
| None | 665 | 19.69 | |
| 1-7 | 117 | 3.46 | |
| 8-14 | 121 | 3.58 | |
| 15+ | | | |
| History of liver disease | 3220 | 95.35 | |
| None | 109 | 3.23 | |
| Hepatitis A, B, or C | 2 | 0.06 | |

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|---|---|---------|------|--|--------------------------------------|---------|---|----------------------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|-------|
| | Cirrhosis | 49 | 1.45 | | | | | | | | | |
| | Other | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>From 1996 to mid-1999</p> <p>6 months of Isoniazid</p> <p>For patients ≥ 60 kg bodyweight: 300 mg, once a day.</p> <p>For patients < 60 kg bodyweight: 5 mg/kg, once a day.</p> <p>From late 1999-2003</p> <p>6 months of Isoniazid</p> <p>For patients ≥ 60 kg bodyweight: 300 mg, once a day.</p> <p>For patients < 60 kg bodyweight: 5 mg/kg, once a day.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period, or within the last 3 months of treatment. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of developing isoniazid associated hepatitis</p> <p>Multivariate logistic regression analysis of risk factors associated with elevation of transaminases by greater than five times the upper limit of normal.</p> <p>N= 2,182 (the number who completed at least one month of treatment)</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Odds Ratio (95% confidence Interval)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Baseline AST¹ > upper limit of normal</td> <td>5.398 (2.081-13.999)</td> <td>0.0005</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Age ≥ 50 years</td> <td>3.699 (1.428-9.584)</td> <td>0.008</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | Odds Ratio (95% confidence Interval) | P value | Baseline AST ¹ > upper limit of normal | 5.398 (2.081-13.999) | 0.0005 | Age ≥ 50 years | 3.699 (1.428-9.584) | 0.008 |
| | Odds Ratio (95% confidence Interval) | P value | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Unclear if multivariate model included number compliant to treatment or year of treatment initiation. Results were adjusted for age, gender, race, alcohol consumption, history of liver disease and baseline transaminases. |
| Source of funding | Unclear who provided funding for this project Paper from College of Pharmacy, University of Tennessee |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Isoniazid hepatotoxicity is age related. Results suggest hepatotoxicity is also related to baseline AST ¹ greater than the upper limit of normal. Moderate-to-severe hepatotoxicity frequently occurs without symptoms, suggesting the value of more widespread AST ¹ monitoring. |
| Abbreviations: | |
| AST- aspartate aminotransferase | |

A.1.6 LoBue, Philip A., and Kathleen S. Moser (2003)

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| Bibliographic reference | LoBue, Philip A., and Kathleen S. Moser. "Use of isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection in a public health clinic." <i>American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine</i> 168, no. 4 (2003): 443-447. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | Population matches the population of interest Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity and adverse effects. Patients did not receive the same level of care as rules regarding monitoring were altered during the study due to changes in American Thoracic Society Guidelines. Initially all patients over 35 were monitored with monthly transaminase levels as well as those at higher risk of hepatotoxicity; later this was changed to only those at higher risk. Participants were treated from the same site. Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (6-9 months of isoniazid therapy). This may not |

| Bibliographic reference | <p>LoBue, Philip A., and Kathleen S. Moser. "Use of isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection in a public health clinic." <i>American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine</i> 168, no. 4 (2003): 443-447.</p> <p>have been appropriate.</p> <p>Treatment completion was poor with only 64% of patients completing 6 months of therapy. Attempts to find the systematic differences between those who did or did not complete treatment have been made. Those who completed treatment were more likely to be Hispanic. Those who did not complete treatment were associated homelessness and substance abuse.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used. Unclear if multivariate analysis adjusted for varying compliance.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was clear. A valid and reliable method was not necessarily used in all patients since those who were not deemed high risk were monitored using a symptoms checklist which would not catch subclinical presentations of hepatotoxicity.</p> <p>Unclear how cases of latent tuberculosis was diagnosed</p> <p>The paper does not provide the exact doses and lengths of regimens used</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|------------------------|---|--------|------|----|---|------|----|---|---|-----|---------|--|--|-----|------|----|------|------|----|
| Number of patients | Population: 3,788 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 3,788</p> <p>Included if treated with isoniazid for latent tuberculosis</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Characteristics</th> <th>Number of participants</th> <th>%</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Gender</td> <td>1552</td> <td>41</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M</td> <td>2229</td> <td>58</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F</td> <td>7</td> <td>0.2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>unknown</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Age</td> <td>1277</td> <td>34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0-14</td> <td>1939</td> <td>51</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Characteristics | Number of participants | % | Gender | 1552 | 41 | M | 2229 | 58 | F | 7 | 0.2 | unknown | | | Age | 1277 | 34 | 0-14 | 1939 | 51 |
| Characteristics | Number of participants | % | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gender | 1552 | 41 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| M | 2229 | 58 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F | 7 | 0.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| unknown | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age | 1277 | 34 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-14 | 1939 | 51 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 15-34 | 426 | 11 | |
| 35-49 | 95 | 2.5 | |
| 50-64 | 50 | 1.3 | |
| 65+ | | | |
| Race/ethnicity | 3025 | 80 | |
| White, Hispanic | 170 | 4.4 | |
| White, non-hispanic | 117 | 3.1 | |
| Black, non-hispanic | 335 | 9 | |
| Asian-pacific Islander | 4 | 0.1 | |
| Native American | 13 | 0.3 | |
| Other | 124 | 3.3 | |
| Unknown | | | |
| Country of birth | 782 | 21 | |
| United States | 2101 | 56 | |
| Mexico | 178 | 4.7 | |
| Phillippines | 62 | 1.6 | |
| Vietnam | 258 | 7 | |
| Other | 407 | 11 | |
| Unknown | | | |

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| Intervention | Treatment followed American Thoracic Society treatment guidelines, specifics beyond this were unclear: ATS ¹ recommends 9 months of isoniazid daily, or 6 months of therapy if deemed more cost-effective. Which was used is unclear. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of developing isoniazid associated adverse events Occurrence of at least one adverse effect that had been reported as attributable to isoniazid, occurred following isoniazid treatment and for which no alternative cause was found. Multivariate analysis of factors associated with occurrence of at least one adverse effect.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Factor</th> <th>N with at least one adverse effect</th> <th>Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)</th> <th>P Value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Gender</td> <td>217</td> <td>Reference</td> <td><0.01</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M</td> <td>453</td> <td>1.6 (1.4-2.0)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>F</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Age</td> <td>177</td> <td>Reference</td> <td>0.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0-14</td> <td>360</td> <td>1.3 (1.0-1.6)</td> <td><0.01</td> </tr> <tr> <td>15-34</td> <td>102</td> <td>1.8 (1.3-2.5)</td> <td><0.01</td> </tr> <tr> <td>35-49</td> <td>25</td> <td>2.2 (1.3-3.8)</td> <td>0.38</td> </tr> <tr> <td>50-64</td> <td>8</td> <td>1.5 (0.6-3.2)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>65+</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Race/ethnicity</td> <td>530</td> <td>1.3 (0.9-1.8)</td> <td>0.19</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Factor | N with at least one adverse effect | Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval) | P Value | Gender | 217 | Reference | <0.01 | M | 453 | 1.6 (1.4-2.0) | | F | | | | Age | 177 | Reference | 0.04 | 0-14 | 360 | 1.3 (1.0-1.6) | <0.01 | 15-34 | 102 | 1.8 (1.3-2.5) | <0.01 | 35-49 | 25 | 2.2 (1.3-3.8) | 0.38 | 50-64 | 8 | 1.5 (0.6-3.2) | | 65+ | | | | Race/ethnicity | 530 | 1.3 (0.9-1.8) | 0.19 |
| Factor | N with at least one adverse effect | Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval) | P Value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gender | 217 | Reference | <0.01 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| M | 453 | 1.6 (1.4-2.0) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age | 177 | Reference | 0.04 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-14 | 360 | 1.3 (1.0-1.6) | <0.01 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15-34 | 102 | 1.8 (1.3-2.5) | <0.01 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 35-49 | 25 | 2.2 (1.3-3.8) | 0.38 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50-64 | 8 | 1.5 (0.6-3.2) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Bibliographic reference | LoBue, Philip A., and Kathleen S. Moser. "Use of isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection in a public health clinic." <i>American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine</i> 168, no. 4 (2003): 443-447. | | | |
|-------------------------|--|---------------|-------|--|
| White, Hispanic | 42 | 1.6 (0.9-2.6) | 0.07 | |
| White, non-hispanic | 23 | 1.2 (0.7-2.2) | 0.49 | |
| Black, non-hispanic | 57 | Reference | | |
| Asian-pacific Islander | | | | |
| Country of birth | 138 | Reference | 0.58 | |
| United States | 486 | 1.1 (0.8-1.4) | | |
| Other | | | | |
| Excess alcohol | 670 | Reference | 0.52 | |
| N | 2 | 0.6 (0.1-2.8) | | |
| Y | | | | |
| Intravenous drug use | 670 | Reference | 0.73 | |
| N | 2 | 1.3 (0.3-7.3) | | |
| Y | | | | |
| Homeless | 654 | Reference | 0.02 | |
| N | 18 | 2.2 (1.2-4.2) | | |
| Y | | | | |
| Correctional Facility | 645 | Reference | <0.01 | |
| N | 27 | 2.6 (1.5-4.5) | | |
| Y | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | LoBue, Philip A., and Kathleen S. Moser. "Use of isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection in a public health clinic." <i>American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine</i> 168, no. 4 (2003): 443-447. | | | |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---------|--|
| | Unclear if multivariate model included number compliant to treatment or year of treatment initiation. Results were adjusted for those variables that were associated with the outcome significantly ($p=<0.05$) | | | |
| | Treatment Completion | | | |
| | Multivariate Analysis of Factors Associated with Completion (number completing 6 months of therapy) | | | |
| Factor | N completing | Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval) | P Value | |
| Gender | 961 | Reference | 0.03 | |
| M | 1450 | 1.2 (1.0-1.4) | | |
| F | | | | |
| Age | 943 | 4.1 (2.2-7.8) | <0.01 | |
| 0-14 | 1173 | 2.1 (1.1-3.9) | 0.02 | |
| 15-34 | 223 | 1.8 (0.9-3.4) | 0.07 | |
| 35-49 | 54 | 1.9 (0.9- 4.1) | 0.07 | |
| 50-64 | 21 | Reference | | |
| 65+ | | | | |
| Race/ethnicity | 202 | 1.4 (0.9-2.3) | 0.12 | |
| Asian-Pacific Islander | 90 | 1.5 (0.9-2.5) | 0.10 | |
| White, non-hispanic | 1988 | 1.5 (1.0-2.3) | 0.04 | |
| White, hispanic | 49 | Reference | | |

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|-------------------------|--|-----------|---------------|--|
| | Black, non-hispanic | | | |
| Country of birth | 471 | Reference | <0.01 | |
| United States | 1679 | | 1.4 (1.1-1.7) | |
| Other | | | | |
| Excess alcohol | 2412 | Reference | <0.01 | |
| N | 2 | | 0.1 (0.0-0.6) | |
| Y | | | | |
| Intravenous drug use | 2412 | Reference | 0.47 | |
| N | 2 | | 0.5 (0.1-2.9) | |
| Y | | | | |
| Homeless | 2403 | Reference | <0.01 | |
| N | 3 | | 0.2 (0.1-0.5) | |
| Y | | | | |
| Correctional Facility | 2389 | Reference | 0.09 | |
| N | 25 | | 0.6 (0.4-1.1) | |
| Y | | | | |
| Hepatotoxicity | 2411 | Reference | 0.24 | |
| N | 3 | | 0.4 (0.1-1.8) | |
| Y | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | LoBue, Philip A., and Kathleen S. Moser. "Use of isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection in a public health clinic." <i>American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine</i> 168, no. 4 (2003): 443-447. | | | |
| | Any other Adverse Event | 2027 | Reference | 0.03 |
| | N | 387 | | 0.8 (0.7-0.9) |
| | Y | | | |
| Source of funding | Funding was provided by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Tuberculosis Elimination Cooperative Agreement | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: A higher incidence of adverse effects was associated with increasing age, female sex, homelessness and having spent time in a correctional facility. The occurrence of hepatotoxicity was also associated with self-reported intravenous drug use. Higher completion rates were associated with female sex, younger age groups, white/Hispanic raceand non-USA country of birth. Lower completion rates were associated with self-reported excess alcohol use, homelessness and occurrence of at least one adverse event other than hepatotoxicity. | | | |

A.1.7 Fernández-Villar, A., Sopeña, B., et al (2003)

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| Bibliographic reference | Fernández-Villar, A., Sopeña, B., Vázquez, R., Ulloa, F., Fluiters, E., Mosteiro, M., ... & Piñeiro, L. (2003). Isoniazid hepatotoxicity among drug users: the role of hepatitis C. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i> , 36(3), 293-298. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches the population of interest</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity.</p> <p>Patients did not receive the same level of care as rules regarding monitoring adherence; some of the participants were enrolled in a methadone maintenance therapy programme where isoniazid was administered alongside. Others had their adherence monitored by means of pill count, urine samples and family supervision. Treatment duration ranged from 10-180 days, average duration of treatment was 154 days.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (6 months of isoniazid therapy at most). This may not have been appropriate.</p> <p>Treatment completion was fairly low with 76.9% of patients completing 6 months of therapy. Attempts to find the systematic differences between those who did or did not complete treatment were not made.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used. Unclear if multivariate analysis adjusted for varying compliance.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was clear. A valid and reliable method was used.</p> <p>Unclear how cases of latent tuberculosis were diagnosed.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 415 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 415 drug users in Spain</p> <p>Included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> treated with isoniazid for latent tuberculosis Completed at least 7 days of therapy |

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| Bibliographic reference | Fernández-Villar, A., Sopeña, B., Vázquez, R., Ulloa, F., Fluiters, E., Mosteiro, M., ... & Piñeiro, L. (2003). Isoniazid hepatotoxicity among drug users: the role of hepatitis C. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i> , 36(3), 293-298. |
| | <p>Exclusion:</p> <p>HIV positivity</p> <p>Evidence of active tuberculosis</p> <p>History of isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Previous “correct” treatment of latent tuberculosis or active tuberculosis</p> <p>Elevated aminotransferases greater 3 times the upper limit of normal.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> <p>Average duration of treatment: 154.1 ± 51.4 days (range 10-180 days)</p> <p>Male: 363 patients (87.5%)</p> <p>Mean age 31.3 ± 5.5 years (range 17-49 years)</p> <p>Included in a methadone programme: 313 (75.4%)</p> <p>Included in a drug free programme: 74 (17.8%)</p> <p>HCV antibodies detected: 214 (51.6%)</p> <p>Hepatitis B surface antigen positive 8 (1.9%)</p> |
| Intervention | <p>6 months of isoniazid therapy</p> <p>Isoniazid: 300 mg, daily</p> |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent |

| Bibliographic reference | Fernández-Villar, A., Sopeña, B., Vázquez, R., Ulloa, F., Fluiters, E., Mosteiro, M., ... & Piñeiro, L. (2003). Isoniazid hepatotoxicity among drug users: the role of hepatitis C. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i>, 36(3), 293-298. | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------|--|
| Location | Spain | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of developing isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Symptoms of hepatitis with aminotransferase levels greater than 5 times upper limit of normal. Or aminotransferase levels greater than 5 times the upper limit of normal for two consecutive weeks. Or a unique elevation greater than 250 IU/L.</p> <p>Univariate analysis of associated factors.</p> | | | |
| Factor | N with hepatotoxicity | Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval) | P Value | |
| Gender | 19/361 | 2.9 (0.3-22) | 0.23 | |
| M | 1/54 | 1 | | |
| F | | | | |
| Age | 3/101 | 0.5 (0.1-1.8) | 0.23 | |
| >35 | 17/314 | 1 | | |
| ≤35 | | | | |
| Excessive alcohol consumption | 3/73 | 4 (1.6-10.2) | 0.04 | |
| Yes | 11/330 | 1 | | |
| No | | | | |
| Body mass index | 3/26 | 2.4 (0.6-9.2) | 0.17 | |
| ≤20 | 12/236 | 1 | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Fernández-Villar, A., Sopeña, B., Vázquez, R., Ulloa, F., Fluiters, E., Mosteiro, M., ... & Piñeiro, L. (2003). Isoniazid hepatotoxicity among drug users: the role of hepatitis C. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i>, 36(3), 293-298. | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---------|--|
| >20 | | | | |
| Receipt of methadone | 17/313 | 1.8 (0.5-6.6) | 0.22 | |
| Yes | 3/102 | 1 | | |
| No | | | | |
| Anti-HCV antibodies | 16/214 | 3.9 (1.3-12.1) | 0.09 | |
| Yes | 4/201 | 1 | | |
| No | | | | |
| Hepatitis B | 0/8 | 0.98 (0.96-0.99) | 0.6 | |
| Yes | 20/406 | 1 | | |
| No | | | | |
| Baseline ALT | 12/133 | 4.2 (1.6-10.9) | <0.01 | |
| Abnormal | 7/275 | 1 | | |
| Normal | | | | |
| Multivariate analysis | | | | |
| Unclear if multivariate model included number compliant to treatment figures. Results were adjusted for those variables that were associated with the outcome significantly (p=<0.05) | | | | |
| Independent risk factors for the development of hepatotoxicity. | N with hepatotoxicity | Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval) | P Value | |
| Excessive alcohol consumption | 3/73 11/330 | 4.2 (1.6-10.8) | 0.002 | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Fernández-Villar, A., Sopeña, B., Vázquez, R., Ulloa, F., Fluiters, E., Mosteiro, M., ... & Piñeiro, L. (2003). Isoniazid hepatotoxicity among drug users: the role of hepatitis C. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i>, 36(3), 293-298. | | | |
| | Yes | | | |
| | No | | | |
| | Baseline ALT | 12/133 | 4.3 (1.6-11.4) | 0.002 |
| | Abnormal | 7/275 | 1 | |
| | Normal | | | |
| Source of funding | Funding was provided by Secretaria Xeral de Investigacion e Desenvolvemento da Xunta de Galicia, Spain | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: The only 2 factors independently associated with the development of isoniazid hepatotoxicity were excessive alcohol consumption and a high baseline alanine transferase level. Treatment with isoniazid in drug users appears to be safe and well tolerated, although frequent asymptomatic elevations in transaminase levels were observed. | | | |

A.1.8 Nolan, C. M., Goldberg, S. V (1999)

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| Bibliographic reference | Nolan, C. M., Goldberg, S. V., & Buskin, S. E. (1999). Hepatotoxicity associated with isoniazid preventive therapy: a 7-year survey from a public health tuberculosis clinic. <i>JAMA</i> 281(11), 1014-1018. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Unclear if population matches the population of interest. No general baseline characteristics were given making any population comparisons difficult. All patients receiving isoniazid preventive therapy were included, unclear if this includes high risk non-infected patients. Exclusion criteria not listed.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity.</p> <p>Patients likely received the same standard of care at the same public health clinic. A comparison group received multidrug therapy for active tuberculosis, although this was mostly to compare incidence rates.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period. This may not have been appropriate.</p> <p>Treatment completion was fairly low with 64% of patients completing 6 months of therapy. Attempts to find the systematic differences between those who did or did not complete treatment were not made. 84% of patients on the multidrug therapy arm completed therapy.</p> <p>Dose and length of treatment was unclear and may vary.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used. Unclear if multivariate analysis adjusted for varying compliance.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was clear. However the method of diagnosis was based on the assumption that all hepatotoxic patients would be symptomatic. Non-symptomatic hepatotoxicity would have been missed.</p> <p>Unclear how cases of latent tuberculosis were diagnosed.</p> <p>The population is only compared for sex, age and race. This could be insufficient to cover all major confounding factors.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 11,141 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 11,141</p> <p>Included:</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Nolan, C. M., Goldberg, S. V., & Buskin, S. E. (1999). Hepatotoxicity associated with isoniazid preventive therapy: a 7-year survey from a public health tuberculosis clinic. JAMA 281(11), 1014-1018. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | treated with isoniazid for latent preventive therapy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Baseline characteristics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Not listed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | Isoniazid preventative therapy, unclear duration and dose. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of developing isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Symptoms of hepatitis with aminotransferase levels greater than 5 times upper limit of normal. Symptoms and signs must resolve after the withdrawal of isoniazid therapy and a decision not to restart the therapy made.</p> <p>Case rates and multivariate analysis:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Cases of Hepatotoxicity</th> <th>Rate of hepatotoxicity (cases per 1000 persons starting therapy)</th> <th>P value</th> <th>Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% confidence interval)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Cohort</td> <td>11</td> <td>1.0</td> <td>...</td> <td>...</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sex</td> <td>3</td> <td>0.5</td> <td>0.07</td> <td>1.0 (reference)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M (n=6066)</td> <td>8</td> <td>1.6</td> <td></td> <td>3.30 (0.87-12.45)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F (n=5075)</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Age</td> <td>0</td> <td>...</td> <td>0.02</td> <td>...</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0-14 (n=1468)</td> <td>6</td> <td>0.8</td> <td></td> <td>(reference)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>15-34 (n=7449)</td> <td>4</td> <td>2.1</td> <td></td> <td>3.17 (0.94-10.70)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | | Cases of Hepatotoxicity | Rate of hepatotoxicity (cases per 1000 persons starting therapy) | P value | Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% confidence interval) | Total Cohort | 11 | 1.0 | ... | ... | Sex | 3 | 0.5 | 0.07 | 1.0 (reference) | M (n=6066) | 8 | 1.6 | | 3.30 (0.87-12.45) | F (n=5075) | | | | | Age | 0 | ... | 0.02 | ... | 0-14 (n=1468) | 6 | 0.8 | | (reference) | 15-34 (n=7449) | 4 | 2.1 | | 3.17 (0.94-10.70) |
| | Cases of Hepatotoxicity | Rate of hepatotoxicity (cases per 1000 persons starting therapy) | P value | Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% confidence interval) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Cohort | 11 | 1.0 | ... | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex | 3 | 0.5 | 0.07 | 1.0 (reference) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| M (n=6066) | 8 | 1.6 | | 3.30 (0.87-12.45) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F (n=5075) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age | 0 | ... | 0.02 | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-14 (n=1468) | 6 | 0.8 | | (reference) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15-34 (n=7449) | 4 | 2.1 | | 3.17 (0.94-10.70) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | 35-64 (n=1865) | 1 | 2.8 | | 3.62 (0.43-30.42) |
| | ≥65 (n=359) | | | | |
| | Race | 4 | 2.2 | 0.08 | 2.60 (0.75-8.95) |
| | White (n=1856) | 7 | 0.8 | ... | 1.0 (reference) |
| | Non-white (n=9285) | 5 | 0.8 | ... | ... |
| | Asian (n=5968) | 2 | 1.2 | ... | ... |
| | Black (n=1732) | 0 | ... | ... | ... |
| | Hispanic (n=1050) | 0 | ... | ... | ... |
| | Other (n=535) | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: The rate of hepatotoxicity in persons receiving preventive therapy increased with increasing age and there were trends towards increased rates in women and in those of white race. The rate of isoniazid hepatotoxicity during clinically monitored preventive therapy was lower than has been reported previously. Clinicians should have greater confidence in the safety of isoniazid preventive therapy. | | | | |

A.1.9 Dickinson, D. S., Bailey, W. C.,

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| Bibliographic reference | Dickinson, D. S., Bailey, W. C., Hirschowitz, B. I., Soong, S. J., Eidus, L., & Hodgkin, M. M. (1981). Risk factors for isoniazid (INH)-induced liver dysfunction. <i>Journal of clinical gastroenterology</i> , 3(3), 271-279. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest. Participants included 36 who were PPD¹ negative and therefore potentially not latently infected.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity.</p> <p>Patients likely received the same standard of care as all were treated in the same health clinic. The patients who were persistently PPD¹ negative however received only 3 months of isoniazid whereas the other participants received a year.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (1 year of isoniazid therapy at most). This may not have been appropriate.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 15 subjects dropped out before completing 8 weeks, 113 completed 2 months, 105 patients completed 3 months, 59 patients completed 5 months and 27 patients completed one year of therapy. Attempts to find the systematic differences between those who did or did not complete treatment were not made.</p> <p>Prognostic factors for hepatotoxicity included pre-existing liver dysfunction, acetylation phenotype, significant alcohol intake, age, concomitant drug therapy, sex and race. Hepatitis serology was also examined but no results reported. Definition of significant alcohol intake unclear.</p> <p>No baseline characteristics provided</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used. Unclear if multivariate analysis adjusted for varying compliance or length of treatment.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was clear. A valid and reliable method was used however the definition differs from many used in other studies.</p> <p>Unclear how cases of latent tuberculosis were diagnosed.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 113 |

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| Bibliographic reference | Dickinson, D. S., Bailey, W. C., Hirschowitz, B. I., Soong, S. J., Eidus, L., & Hodgkin, M. M. (1981). Risk factors for isoniazid (INH)-induced liver dysfunction. <i>Journal of clinical gastroenterology</i> , 3(3), 271-279. |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 113</p> <p>Included:</p> <p>Candidates for isoniazid therapy according to Center for Disease Control, U.S. Public Health Service recommendations</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <p>Not provided</p> |
| Intervention | <p>1 year of isoniazid therapy</p> <p>Isoniazid: 300 mg, daily</p> <p>Or 5 mg/kilogram bodyweight for children</p> <p>Or</p> <p>3 months of Isoniazid therapy for persistent PPD¹ negative patients</p> <p>Isoniazid: 300 mg, daily</p> <p>Or 5 mg/kilogram bodyweight for children</p> |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent |
| Location | USA |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of developing isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Symptoms of hepatitis with aspartate aminotransferase levels greater than 4 times mean baseline value on at least one occasion. Or significantly elevated more than 2 standard deviations above mean pretreatment control for this population.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis</p> <p>Unclear if multivariate model included number compliant to treatment figures. Results were adjusted for those variables</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Dickinson, D. S., Bailey, W. C., Hirschowitz, B. I., Soong, S. J., Eidus, L., & Hodgkin, M. M. (1981). Risk factors for isoniazid (INH)-induced liver dysfunction. <i>Journal of clinical gastroenterology</i>, 3(3), 271-279. | | | |
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| | that were associated with the outcome significantly ($p=<0.05$) | | | |
| | No. Patients with Normal Baseline Lab | No. Developed Significant Liver Dysfunction | P value | |
| Total No. of patients | 101 | 19 | | |
| Acetylation phenotype | 47 | 6 | Not significant | |
| | 53 | 13 | | |
| Rapid | | | | |
| Slow | | | | |
| Age, y | 54 | 6 | 0.034 | |
| <35 | 47 | 13 | | |
| ≥35 | | | | |
| Sex | 65 | 11 | Not significant | |
| F | 36 | 8 | | |
| M | | | | |
| Race | 68 | 11 | Not significant | |
| Black | 31 | 8 | | |
| White | 2 | 0 | | |
| Oriental | | | | |
| Source of funding | Funding was provided by University of Alabama Division of Gastroenterology and the Jefferson County Department of public health | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Dickinson, D. S., Bailey, W. C., Hirschowitz, B. I., Soong, S. J., Eidus, L., & Hodgkin, M. M. (1981). Risk factors for isoniazid (INH)-induced liver dysfunction. <i>Journal of clinical gastroenterology</i> , 3(3), 271-279. |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Only age was found to be significantly correlated with liver dysfunction ($p=0.034$) after adjustment for all other factors. |
| Abbreviations: | |
| ¹PPD purified protein derivative | |

A.1.10 Lee, A. M., Mennone, J. Z et al (2002)

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| Bibliographic reference | Lee A M, Mennone, J Z., Jones, R. C., & Paul, W. S. (2002). Risk factors for hepatotoxicity associated with rifampin and pyrazinamide for the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection: experience from three public health tuberculosis clinics. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 6(11), 995-1000. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for development of rifampicin and pyrazinamide associated hepatotoxicity.</p> <p>Patients did not receive the same standard of care as rifabutin was substituted for rifampicin in HIV positive patients on protease inhibitors or non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors. Doses of rifampicin and pyrazinamide initially followed guidelines established for HIV infected patients and those with active tuberculosis but dose of pyrazinamide was subsequently limited based on an expert opinion published in the American Thoracic Society guidelines.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (2 months therapy maximum). This may not have been appropriate.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 57.4% of participants. Patients with presumed recent TB infection were less likely than others to discontinue therapy for reasons other than development of hepatotoxicity. Patients reporting illicit drug use were more likely to discontinue therapy than those who did not and patients of White or Asian ethnicity were more likely to discontinue therapy than Hispanics.</p> <p>Prognostic factors for hepatotoxicity recorded included age, race, sex, weight, HIV status, reason for starting latent tuberculosis treatment, associated medical conditions, other medications, alcohol use, rifampicin dose, pyrazinamide dose, baseline AST¹ and ALT², peak AST¹, peak ALT², peak alkaline phosphate, peak bilirubin, onset of side effects or hepatotoxicity, presence or absence of symptoms associated with hepatotoxicity, outcome and hospitalization.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used. Unclear if multivariate analysis adjusted for all of the above factors.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was clear.</p> <p>Unclear how cases of latent tuberculosis were diagnosed.</p> |

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| Bibliographic reference | Lee A M, Mennone, J Z., Jones, R. C., & Paul, W. S. (2002). Risk factors for hepatotoxicity associated with rifampin and pyrazinamide for the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection: experience from three public health tuberculosis clinics. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 6(11), 995-1000. |
| Number of patients | Population: 148 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 148</p> <p>Included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Normal chest radiograph Indications for latent tuberculosis treatment under the ATS guidelines Baseline characteristics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gender (m/f): 84/64 Age: median: 37 years. range: 18-84 years Recent infection (recent TST³ conversion or contact with an infectious case): 53 % Illicit drug use: 28 % Recent immigration from TB-endemic country: 11 % HIV infection: 6 % |
| Intervention | <p>2 months of rifampicin and pyrazinamide</p> <p>Pyrazinamide: 15-20 mg daily, for 2 months</p> <p>Rifampicin: unclear dose, for 2 months</p> |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent |
| Location | USA |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Risk of developing isoniazid associated hepatotoxicitySymptoms of hepatitis with aminotransferase levels greater than 5 times upper limit of normal (grade 3 or 4) |

| Bibliographic reference | <p>Lee A M, Mennone, J Z., Jones, R. C., & Paul, W. S. (2002). Risk factors for hepatotoxicity associated with rifampin and pyrazinamide for the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection: experience from three public health tuberculosis clinics. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i>, 6(11), 995-1000.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis</p> <p>Unclear if multivariate model included number compliant to treatment figures. Results were adjusted for those variables that were associated with the outcome significantly ($p=<0.05$)</p> | | | |
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| | n | Hepatotoxicity case n | Bivariate analysis. Risk ratio (95% confidence interval) | Multivariate analysis. Odds ratio (95% confidence interval) |
| Total patients | 148 | 14 | | |
| Gender | 64 | 10 | 3.3 (1.1-10.0) | 4.1 (1.2-14.3) |
| Female | 84 | 4 | reference | reference |
| Male | | | | |
| Race | 48 | 8 | 6.5 (0.9-49.8) | |
| Hispanic | 61 | 5 | 3.2 (0.4-26.3) | |
| Black | 39 | 1 | reference | |
| White or Asian | | | | |
| Age, y | 90 | 8 | 0.9 (0.3-2.4) | |
| ≥ 35 | 58 | 6 | reference | |
| <35 | | | | |
| Alcohol use | 59 | 5 | 0.8 (0.3-2.4) | |
| Any | 89 | 9 | reference | |
| None | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Lee A M, Mennone, J Z., Jones, R. C., & Paul, W. S. (2002). Risk factors for hepatotoxicity associated with rifampin and pyrazinamide for the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection: experience from three public health tuberculosis clinics. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 6(11), 995-1000. | | | | |
| | Illicit drug use | 48 | 1 | 0.2 (0.0-1.2) | |
| | Any | 100 | 13 | reference | |
| | None | | | | |
| | Pyrazinamide dose (mg/kg/day) | 78 | 6 | 0.7 (0.3-1.8) | |
| | | 70 | 8 | reference | |
| | >20 | | | | |
| | ≤20 | | | | |
| | Presumed recent infection | 79 (53.4) | 13 (16.5) | 11.4 (1.5- 84.6) | 14.4 (1.8-115.3) |
| | | 69 (46.6) | 1 (1.4) | reference | reference |
| | Yes | | | | |
| | No | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Hepatotoxicity occurred in a high proportion of patients prescribed pyrazinamide and was more common among females and those with recent infection. Caution is warranted in using rifampicin and pyrazinamide in populations where its safety has not been tested. | | | | |

Abbreviations:

¹PPD purified protein derivative

²AST- aspartate aminotransferase

³ALT- alanine aminotransferase

A.1.11 Gilroy, S. A., Rogers, M. A.,

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| Bibliographic reference | Gilroy, S. A., Rogers, M. A., & Blair, D. C. (2000). Treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in patients aged ≥ 35 years. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i> , 31(3), 826-829. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. High risk groups were identified for treatment.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for not completing or adhering to therapy for latent tuberculosis.</p> <p>Patients received the same standard of care at the same health department.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (6 months therapy maximum). This may not have been appropriate.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 76% of participants. Reasons for completion failure were recorded and characteristics compared between the groups. Comparisons were also made between those that accepted treatment and those that were lost to follow up for isoniazid preventive therapy. Differences were found in the mean age, sex, ethnicity, alcohol usage and medications taken between these groups.</p> <p>Prognostic factors for hepatotoxicity recorded included age, race sex, alcohol use, regular medication and baseline ALT levels</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be valid or reliable since this was a retrospective study taken from patients charts. Alcohol use was defined as consuming >3 alcoholic beverages daily which is not a standardised measurement and susceptible to recall bias.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion was unclear. A valid and reliable method of measurement was not used as patients were assumed to be compliant if they kept monthly appointments at the clinic.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 335 |
| Patient characteristics | Included= 335 |

| Bibliographic reference | Gilroy, S. A., Rogers, M. A., & Blair, D. C. (2000). Treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in patients aged\geq 35 years. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i>, 31(3), 826-829. | | | | | | | | | |
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| Included: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aged \geq 35 years | | | | | | | | | | |
| Documented reaction to PPD ¹ of >10 mm induration | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baseline characteristics: | | | | | | | | | | |
| If isoniazid was discontinued due to symptoms or isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity, patient was offered rifampicin therapy or chose to refuse treatment. | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Completed isoniazid n=253 | Completed isoniazid and rifampicin n=26 | Did not complete therapy n=56 | P value | | | | | | |
| Gender | 140 | 12 | 31 | 0.665 | | | | | | |
| Male | 113 | 14 | 25 | | | | | | | |
| Female | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ethnicity | 108 | 17 | 31 | 0.062 | | | | | | |
| White | 81 | 6 | 18 | | | | | | | |
| Black | 64 | 3 | 7 | | | | | | | |
| Other | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alcohol | 37 | 3 | 19 | 0.001 | | | | | | |
| Male and used alcohol | 103 | 9 | 12 | 0.390 | | | | | | |
| Male and did not use | 9 | 1 | 4 | | | | | | | |
| Female and used alcohol | 104 | 13 | 21 | | | | | | | |
| Female and did not use | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Gilroy, S. A., Rogers, M. A., & Blair, D. C. (2000). Treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in patients aged ≥ 35 years. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i>, 31(3), 826-829. | | | | |
| | Medication | 85 | 7 | 19 | 0.205 |
| | Male no medications | 25 | 3 | 10 | 0.005 |
| | Male 1 medication | 29 | 2 | 2 | |
| | Male ≥ 2 medications | 56 | 3 | 4 | |
| | Female no medications | 32 | 5 | 5 | |
| | Female 1 medication | 25 | 6 | 12 | |
| | Female ≥ 2 medications | | | | |
| | ALT level | 223 | 6 | 21 | <0.001 |
| | Normal | 30 | 20 | 33 | |
| | Abnormal | | | | |
| Intervention | 6 months of isoniazid Isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 6 months Pyridoxine: 50 mg daily, for 6 months | | | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Risk of non-completion of therapy. Completion of 6 months of therapy Univariate analysis | | | | |
| | Completed isoniazid n=253 | Completed isoniazid and rifampicin n=26 | Did not complete therapy n=56 | P value | |

| Bibliographic reference | Gilroy, S. A., Rogers, M. A., & Blair, D. C. (2000). Treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in patients aged ≥ 35 years. <i>Clinical infectious diseases</i> , 31(3), 826-829. | | | | |
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| White | 81 | 6 | 18 | | |
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| Other | | | | | |
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| Male 1 medication | 29 | 2 | 2 | | |
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| | ALT level | 223 | 6 | 21 | <0.001 |
| | Normal | 30 | 20 | 33 | |
| | Abnormal | | | | |
| | Multivariate analysis | | | | |
| | Only ALT level at baseline was statistically significant for non-completion after adjustment for the other variables. | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Only ALT level at baseline was statistically significant for non-completion after adjustment for the other variables. | | | | |

Abbreviations:

¹PPD purified protein derivative

A.1.12 Oni, T., Tsekela, R.,(2012)

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| Bibliographic reference | Oni, T., Tsekela, R., Kwaza, B., Manjezi, L., Bangani, N., Wilkinson, K. A., ... & Wilkinson, R. J. (2012). A Recent HIV Diagnosis Is Associated with Non-Completion of Isoniazid Preventive Therapy in an HIV-Infected Cohort in Cape Town. <i>PLoS one</i> , 7(12), e52489. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were taken from a HIV infected cohort.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for not completing or adhering to therapy for latent tuberculosis.</p> <p>Patients received the same standard of care at the same health department.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (9 months maximum)</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 69% of participants. Reasons for completion failure were not recorded. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to be enrolled. No baseline characteristics were recorded other than those stated below.</p> <p>Risk factors for completion of therapy included: age, gender, employment status, alcohol consumption, smoking status, past TB history, recent TB contact, type of accommodation lived in, CD4 count, marital status, history of TB, BCG scar, time in Khayelitsha and date of HIV diagnosis.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used however the significant factor of smoking was not included in the multivariate analysis model as the alcohol variable provided a better fit of the model instead. It is unclear why all significant factors could not have been included.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be valid or reliable since alcohol use and smoking was self-reported, as were other important factors.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion was clear. A valid and reliable method of measurement was not used as patients were assumed to be compliant if they kept monthly appointments at the clinic and self-reported adherence.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 164 |
| Patient characteristics | Included= 164 |

| Bibliographic reference | Oni, T., Tsekela, R., Kwaza, B., Manjezi, L., Bangani, N., Wilkinson, K. A., ... & Wilkinson, R. J. (2012). A Recent HIV Diagnosis Is Associated with Non-Completion of Isoniazid Preventive Therapy in an HIV-Infected Cohort in Cape Town. <i>PLoS one</i>, 7(12), e52489. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Included: Asymptomatic TST ¹ ≥5 mm induration Enrolled from HIV Wellness Clinic, patients not suitable for antiretroviral therapy. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Baseline characteristics: If isoniazid was discontinued due to symptoms or isoniazid associated hepatotoxicity, patient was offered rifampicin therapy or chose to refuse treatment. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Smoker (yes) | 11 | 11 | 3.59 (1.41-9.18) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alcohol (yes) | 16 | 19 | 4.66 (2.03-10.69) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TB contact (no, yes, don't know) | 78, 30, 5 | 41, 10, 0 | 0.54 (0.23-1.26) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Self-reported BCG (no, yes, don't know) | 19, 80, 14 | 11, 33, 7 | 1.13 (0.58-2.22) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Accommodation (shack, house) | 66, 47 | 21, 21 1.46 (0.69-3.06) |
| | Time in Khayelitsha (<1 year, ≥ 1 year) | 6, 107 | 5, 37 0.39 (0.11-1.36) |
| | Age (years median) | 32.7 | 29.8 0.99 (0.94-1.04) |
| | BMI, median | 27.2 | 24.2 0.96 (0.90-1.02) |
| | Education (highest grade achieved median) | 11 | 11 1.07 (0.90-1.29) |
| | Persons/bedroom, median | 2.33 | 2 0.91 (0.68-1.20) |
| | CD4 count, median | 360 | 363 1.00 (1.00-1.00) |
| | Years since HIV diagnosis, median | 1.15 | 0.15 0.82 (0.67-0.99) |
| Intervention | 6 months of isoniazid Dose unclear (followed South African national guidelines) | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent | | |
| Location | South Africa | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Risk of non-completion of therapy. Completion of 6 months of therapy Univariate analysis | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Oni, T., Tsekela, R., Kwaza, B., Manjezi, L., Bangani, N., Wilkinson, K. A., ... & Wilkinson, R. J. (2012). A Recent HIV Diagnosis Is Associated with Non-Completion of Isoniazid Preventive Therapy in an HIV-Infected Cohort in Cape Town. <i>PLoS one</i> , 7(12), e52489. |
| | See baseline characteristics Multivariate analysis The final logistic regression model included alcohol and time since HIV diagnosis variables only. Time since HIV diagnosis: There was a 19% decrease in odds of non-completion with every year after HIV-diagnosis (OR 0.81; 95% CI ² 0.68-0.98; p=0.03). Non-completers were most likely to default therapy if initiated within 6 months of HIV diagnosis when compared to those initiated after at least 6 months after diagnosis of HIV. Alcohol drinkers: There was a four-fold increase in odds of non-completion in drinkers compared to non-drinkers (OR 4.05; 95% CI ² 1.89-9.06; p=0.001) There is univariate association between alcohol and smoking (p<0.001) and so the authors argue that both should be considered in the interpretation of these results. However smoking was not included in the multivariate model. |
| Source of funding | Funding by the Wellcome Trust, MRC and the European Union. |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Patients with a recent HIV diagnosis, in addition to self reported drinkers and smokers were higher risk of non-completion of isoniazid preventive therapy. The period of time since HIV diagnosis should therefore be taken into account when initiating therapy. Results suggest that smokers and alcohol drinkers should also be identified and targeted for adherence interventions. |
| Abbreviations: | |
| ¹ TST- tuberculin skin test | |
| ² CI- confidence interval | |

A.1.13 Goswami, N. D., Gadkowski, L. B (2012)

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| Bibliographic reference | Goswami, N. D., Gadkowski, L. B., Piedrahita, C., Bissette, D., Ahearn, M. A., Blain, M. L., ... & Stout, J. E. (2012). Predictors of latent tuberculosis treatment initiation and completion at a US public health clinic: a prospective cohort study. <i>BMC public health</i> , 12(1), 468. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for initiating or completing therapy for latent tuberculosis.</p> <p>Patients received the same standard of care at the same health department.</p> <p>Follow up: follow up did not appear to continue beyond treatment period (12 months maximum)</p> <p>Treatment initiation was low: 26% of participants. Treatment completion amongst those that initiated was also low: 53% of participants. Reasons for completion failure were recorded. Comparisons were made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to be enrolled as well as completers and non-completers. Baseline characteristics were recorded.</p> <p>Risk factors for initiation/completion of therapy included: Length of time at current residence, planned future time at current residence, education level, co-habitation with any family members, previous daily pill for at least 6 months, regular primary care, easy access to health departments, plan to tell family/friends about positive skin test, belief in getting sick from TB without medicine, fear of adverse effects from medicine, belief in medicine efficacy, belief in cure for TB, fear of phlebotomy, race ethnicity, gender, age, born in the United States, region of birth, reason for skin testing, mean distance from health department, neighbourhood poverty level, alcohol use, smoking, crack cocaine use, diabetes, ESRD, Gastrectomy, heroin use, homelessness, IV drug use, immunosuppressed, prior incarceration, long term care facility, evidence of old TB on radiography, history of organ or bone marrow transplantation, underweight, HIV.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be valid or reliable since all risk factors were self-reported at baseline.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion was clear. A valid and reliable method of measurement was not used as patients were assumed to be compliant if they picked up the required amount of medication.</p> |

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| | Unclear if the type of preventive therapy used was included in multivariate analysis. Some patients were taking 4 months of rifampicin, some were taking 9 months of isoniazid. Completion rate of isoniazid participants was 52%, completion rate in those treated with rifampicin was 61% ($p=0.3$). At least six months of isoniazid was completed by 63% of participants. |
| Number of patients | Population: 496 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 496 completed questionnaires, 26% of which initiated therapy.</p> <p>Included:</p> <p>Age: >17 years</p> <p>Meet CDC¹ guidelines for latent tuberculosis infection therapy</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <p>Of the 496 participants: 65% were predominantly foreign born, 87% were racial/ethnic minorities, mean age was 39.1 ± 12.3 years. Of those who were foreign born, 19% were from Africa and 20% from Latin America. 26% of participants initiated latent tuberculosis therapy, 70 % of these completed therapy. 61% of persons included in the study were referred after a tuberculin skin test (TST) was performed as part of employment screening and 19% received a TST as part of a contact investigation. 32% were former or current smokers, 9 % were drug users, 14% had a history of incarceration and 11% had a history of homelessness.</p> |
| Intervention | <p>9 months of isoniazid</p> <p>Dose unclear (followed CDC¹ guidelines)</p> <p>CDC guidance states a minimum of 270 mg of isoniazid daily for 9 months.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>4 months of rifampicin</p> <p>Dose unclear (followed CDC¹ guidelines)</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Goswami, N. D., Gadkowski, L. B., Piedrahita, C., Bissette, D., Ahearn, M. A., Blain, M. L., ... & Stout, J. E. (2012). Predictors of latent tuberculosis treatment initiation and completion at a US public health clinic: a prospective cohort study. <i>BMC public health</i> , 12(1), 468. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | CDC guidance states a minimum of 120 mg of rifampicin daily for 4 months. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period apparent | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Risk of non-completion of therapy, risk of non-initiation of therapy.</p> <p>Completion of 9 months of therapy of isoniazid, completion of 4 months of therapy of rifampicin.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis</p> <p>Backward elimination was used to arrive at a final log binomial model consisting of independent variables significantly associated with completion of latent tuberculosis therapy at $p<0.10$ by univariate analysis as well as any significant confounders.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Outcome</th> <th>Factor</th> <th>Relative Risk</th> <th>95% Confidence Intervals</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="5">Treatment initiation</td> <td>Close contact to a TB case</td> <td>2.5</td> <td>1.8-3.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Non-employment reason for screening</td> <td>1.6</td> <td>1.0-2.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lower educational level</td> <td>1.3</td> <td>1.1-1.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Having a regular physician</td> <td>1.4</td> <td>1.0-2.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fear of getting sick with TB without medicine</td> <td>1.7</td> <td>1.2-2.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Treatment completion</td> <td>Prior incarceration</td> <td>1.7</td> <td>1.1-2.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Plan to tell friends or family about latent tuberculosis diagnosis.</td> <td>2.0</td> <td>1.0-3.9</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Outcome | Factor | Relative Risk | 95% Confidence Intervals | Treatment initiation | Close contact to a TB case | 2.5 | 1.8-3.6 | Non-employment reason for screening | 1.6 | 1.0-2.5 | Lower educational level | 1.3 | 1.1-1.6 | Having a regular physician | 1.4 | 1.0-2.0 | Fear of getting sick with TB without medicine | 1.7 | 1.2-2.6 | Treatment completion | Prior incarceration | 1.7 | 1.1-2.8 | Plan to tell friends or family about latent tuberculosis diagnosis. | 2.0 | 1.0-3.9 |
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| Treatment initiation | Close contact to a TB case | 2.5 | 1.8-3.6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Non-employment reason for screening | 1.6 | 1.0-2.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Lower educational level | 1.3 | 1.1-1.6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Having a regular physician | 1.4 | 1.0-2.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Treatment completion | Prior incarceration | 1.7 | 1.1-2.8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding. Authors deny competing interests. |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Investment in social support and access to regular primary care may lead to increased latent tuberculosis therapy adherence in high-risk populations. After multivariate analysis factors independently associated with initiation of therapy included close contact with a TB case, non-employment reason for screening, lower educational level, having a regular physician, fear of getting sick with tuberculosis, and prior incarceration. After multivariate analysis factors independently associated with completion of therapy included planning to tell friends and family about their latent tuberculosis infection. |
| Abbreviations: | |
| 'CDC- Centre for Communicable Disease Control | |

A.1.14 Smith, B. M., Schwartzman, K., (2011)

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| Bibliographic reference | Smith, B. M., Schwartzman, K., Bartlett, G., & Menzies, D. (2011). Adverse events associated with treatment of latent tuberculosis in the general population. <i>Canadian Medical Association Journal</i> , 183(3), E173-E179. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population may match population of interest. Participants were taken from an administrative healthcare database in Quebec. A historical cohort of all resident's therapy for latent tuberculosis between 1998 and 2003 was created. They took patients receiving the treatment for latent tuberculosis as having had latent tuberculosis when this may not have been the case. This is an indirect definition of latent tuberculosis.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for hospitalisation for latent tuberculosis therapy-associated adverse events.</p> <p>Patients received three different kinds of care: isoniazid therapy, rifampicin therapy and no treatment. These were matched for different variables at baseline.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 54.1% of participants in the isoniazid group and 56.2% of participants in the rifampicin group. Rates of completion were similar between both groups. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to be enrolled.</p> <p>Risk factors for hospitalization: a cohort received latent tuberculosis treatment split by rifampicin and isoniazid, this was further stratified by age, previous hospital admission and comorbidities.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: Conditional logistic regression was used for comparisons between patients with latent tuberculosis and matched untreated cohorts. Variables included in the analysis were previous hospital admission, Charlson comorbidity score and cancer, diabetes, HIV infection, liver, renal and vascular disease.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be reliable since this was a retrospective study and data was retrieved from administrative health data.</p> <p>Definition of an adverse event outcome was clear but also reliant upon retrospective data. The study looked for five conditions possibility attributable to the treatment of latent tuberculosis however these could have causes other than the latent tuberculosis therapy. If the person was admitted to hospital for identical adverse events 6 months prior to treatment for latent tuberculosis, the event was not attributed to latent tuberculosis therapy. This system is clearly open to error however therefore the method is not reliable.</p> |

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| | <p>Unclear if participants received the same level of care apart from intervention studied, data was taken from the same provincial area but practice may vary between clinics.</p> <p>Attempts were made at baseline to balance the comparison groups for potential confounding factors by matching patients with controls and by multivariate statistical analysis.</p> <p>Neither participants nor clinicians were blinded to intervention allocation.</p> <p>Follow up: All groups were for a similar amount of time: from 6 months before to 12 months after initiation of therapy.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Population: 9145 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 9145</p> <p>Included:</p> <p>Registered as beneficiaries of RAMQ health insurance (insurer for over 99% of permanent residents)</p> <p>Dispensed at least 30 days of treatment for latent tuberculosis infection between January and December of 2003</p> <p>Taking isoniazid alone, rifampicin alone or sequential use of isoniazid and rifampicin</p> <p>Excluded:</p> <p>Patients dispensed rifampicin with an alternate indication</p> <p>Those dosed rifampicin and pyrazinamide simultaneously</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Characteristics</th> <th>Total receiving treatment n= 9,145 (%)</th> <th>Isoniazid n= 8,686 (%)</th> <th>Rifampicin n=459 (%)</th> <th>Untreated cohort n=18,290 (%)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age, y</td> <td>4523 (49.5)</td> <td>4356 (50.1)</td> <td>167 (36.4)</td> <td>9046 (49.5)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>≤ 35</td> <td>2533 (27.7)</td> <td>2408 (27.7)</td> <td>125 (27.2)</td> <td>5066 (27.7)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Characteristics | Total receiving treatment n= 9,145 (%) | Isoniazid n= 8,686 (%) | Rifampicin n=459 (%) | Untreated cohort n=18,290 (%) | Age, y | 4523 (49.5) | 4356 (50.1) | 167 (36.4) | 9046 (49.5) | ≤ 35 | 2533 (27.7) | 2408 (27.7) | 125 (27.2) | 5066 (27.7) |
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| 36-50 | 1232 (13.5) | 1,159 (13.3) | 73 (15.9) | 2464 (13.5) | |
| 51-65 | 857 (9.4) | 763 (8.9) | 94 (20.5) | 1714 (9.4) | |
| >65 | | | | | |
| Sex, female | 5000 (54.7) | 4784 (55.1) | 216 (47.1) | 10000 (54.7) | |
| Residence, urban | 6216 (68.0) | 5913 (68.1) | 295 (64.3) | 12 432 (68.0) | |
| ≥ 1 hospital admissions in the previous 6 months | 946 (10.3) | 866 (10.0) | 80 (17.4) | 730 (4.0) | |
| Comorbid illness | 54 (0.6) | 45 (0.5) | 9 (2.0) | 17 (0.1) | |
| Liver disease | 171 (1.9) | 156 (1.8) | 15 (3.3) | 24 (0.1) | |
| Kidney disease | 229 (2.5) | 211 (2.4) | 18 (3.9) | 280 (1.5) | |
| Diabetes | 50 (0.6) | 48 (0.6) | 2 (0.4) | 8 (0.0) | |
| HIV infection or AIDS | 287 (3.1) | 267 (3.1) | 20 (4.4) | 221 (1.2) | |
| Malignancy | 53 (0.6) | 46 (0.5) | 7 (1.5) | 39 (0.2) | |
| Peptic ulcer disease | 786 (8.6) | 744 (8.7) | 42 (9.2) | 712 (3.9) | |
| Chronic pulmonary disease | | | | | |
| Intervention | 6 months of isoniazid Dose unclear, daily (presumed to follow national guidelines for Canada) OR 4 months of rifampicin | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Smith, B. M., Schwartzman, K., Bartlett, G., & Menzies, D. (2011). Adverse events associated with treatment of latent tuberculosis in the general population. <i>Canadian Medical Association Journal</i>, 183(3), E173-E179. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Dose unclear, daily (presumed to follow national guidelines for Canada) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | Control Group No treatment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Observation period from 6 months prior to treatment to 12 months following treatment initiation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Quebec, Canada | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>Independent variables associated with subsequent hepatic events following treatment for latent tuberculosis infection include:</p> <p>Hospital admission</p> <p>Any physician visits for liver disease</p> <p>High Charlson comorbidity score during the 6 months before treatment initiation</p> <p>Age stratified adjusted odds ratios of hepatic events requiring hospital admission that were followed by premature cessation of isoniazid therapy:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Age group, y</th> <th>Odds ratio adjusted for sex and prior liver disease (95% CI¹)</th> <th>Odds ratio adjusted for sex and Charlson score (95% CI¹)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>≤ 35</td> <td>1.00 (reference)</td> <td>1.00 (reference)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>36-50</td> <td>2.7 (0.5-16.0)</td> <td>1.3 (0.2-10.0)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>51-65</td> <td>5.7 (1.0-33.7)</td> <td>6.7 (1.2-39.2)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | Age group, y | Odds ratio adjusted for sex and prior liver disease (95% CI ¹) | Odds ratio adjusted for sex and Charlson score (95% CI ¹) | ≤ 35 | 1.00 (reference) | 1.00 (reference) | 36-50 | 2.7 (0.5-16.0) | 1.3 (0.2-10.0) | 51-65 | 5.7 (1.0-33.7) | 6.7 (1.2-39.2) |
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| | >65 | 34.2 (7.6-153.8) | 34.5 (7.0-170.2) | | | |
| Source of funding | Funding from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and the Fonds de la recherche en santé du Québec | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: The risk of hospital admission due to adverse events is substantially increased in people over age 65. These estimates could be useful for a re-analysis of the risks and benefits of therapy for latent tuberculosis infection in the elderly, which could influence recommendations for therapy in this group. In the absence of such an analysis, this data suggests that the risks of therapy for latent tuberculosis are considerable amongst the elderly and should be considered very carefully before therapy is given. Hospital admission, any physician visits for liver disease or a higher Charlson comorbidity score during the six months before treatment initiation were associated with subsequent hepatic events in multivariate analysis. | | | | | |
| Abbreviations: | | | | | | |
| ¹ CI- confidence interval | | | | | | |

A.1.15 Anibarro, L., Casas, S.,(2010)

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| Bibliographic reference | Anibarro, L., Casas, S., Paz-Esquete, J., Gonzalez, L., Pena, A., Guerra, M. R., ... & Santin, M. (2010). Treatment completion in latent tuberculosis infection at specialist tuberculosis units in Spain. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 14(6), 701-707. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were taken from a healthcare database in Spain. A historical cohort of treatment completion and adherence for latent tuberculosis treatment was recorded in two different tertiary care sites. HIV infected patients were not included.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for non-completion of latent tuberculosis therapy.</p> <p>Patients received various different kinds of care: isoniazid therapy between 5-6 months; rifampicin therapy for 4 months; isoniazid and rifampicin for 3 months; isoniazid, rifampicin and pyrazinamide with or without ethambutol for 2 months followed by 2 months of isoniazid and rifampicin. Shorter regimens were grouped together in multivariate analysis despite obvious differences in side effect profile and length.</p> <p>Treatment completion was adequate: 79.2% of participants in the short regimens group and 81.0% of participants in the isoniazid group completed therapy satisfactorily. Rates of completion were similar between both groups. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to be enrolled.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion analysed included: age; sex; hospital site; health care worker; contact with a tuberculosis case; immigrant; episode of treatment; treatment duration; adverse events in the first month and social risk factors including illegal drug abuse, alcohol abuse, unemployment, or residence in a correctional facility).</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: logistic regression analysis was used to adjust for variables with a significance of $p<0.10$</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be reliable since this was a retrospective study and data was retrieved from administrative health data.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was clear but also reliant upon retrospective data. Due to differences in the methods of evaluating adherence on the different hospital sites treatment completion was chosen as an endpoint instead.</p> <p>Participants did not receive the same level of care apart from intervention studied as different participants were taking different drugs in various combinations with different durations. Patients on one hospital site also received urine tests at every visit which may have improved adherence as patients knew they would be tested.</p> <p>Attempts were made at baseline to balance the comparison groups for potential confounding factors by multivariate</p> |

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| | Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Population: 599 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included= 599</p> <p>Included:</p> <p>“Adults”</p> <p>On preventive therapy for latent tuberculosis between January 2004 and march 2007</p> <p>TST¹ positive</p> <p>Excluded:</p> <p>HIV infection</p> <p>Those told to stop therapy due to medical advice</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Total n (%)</th> <th>CHPo Hospital 1 n (%)</th> <th>HUBell Hospital 2 n (%)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Number</td> <td>599</td> <td>390</td> <td>209</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Age, years, median [IQR²]</td> <td>36 [28.0-50.2]</td> <td>34.5 [26.9-49.8]</td> <td>40.2 [30.5-50.7]</td> <td>0.009</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male gender</td> <td>310 (51.8)</td> <td>206 (52.8)</td> <td>104 (49.8)</td> <td>0.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Country of origin</td> <td>508 (84.8)</td> <td>361 (92.6)</td> <td>147 (70.3)</td> <td><0.001</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | Total n (%) | CHPo Hospital 1 n (%) | HUBell Hospital 2 n (%) | P value | Number | 599 | 390 | 209 | | Age, years, median [IQR ²] | 36 [28.0-50.2] | 34.5 [26.9-49.8] | 40.2 [30.5-50.7] | 0.009 | Male gender | 310 (51.8) | 206 (52.8) | 104 (49.8) | 0.48 | Country of origin | 508 (84.8) | 361 (92.6) | 147 (70.3) | <0.001 |
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| Male gender | 310 (51.8) | 206 (52.8) | 104 (49.8) | 0.48 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Country of origin | 508 (84.8) | 361 (92.6) | 147 (70.3) | <0.001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Anibarro, L., Casas, S., Paz-Esqueite, J., Gonzalez, L., Pena, A., Guerra, M. R., ... & Santin, M. (2010). Treatment completion in latent tuberculosis infection at specialist tuberculosis units in Spain. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 14(6), 701-707. | | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|--|
| Spain | 91 (15.2) | 29 (7.4) | 62 (29.7) | | |
| Foreign | | | | | |
| Recent immigrant | 68 (11.4) | 24 (6.2) | 44 (21.1) | <0.001 | |
| Health care worker | 40 (6.7) | 34 (8.7) | 6 (2.9) | 0.006 | |
| Unemployed | 14 (2.3) | 5 (1.3) | 9 (4.3) | 0.03 | |
| Alcohol abuse | 26 (4.3) | 20 (5.1) | 6 (2.9) | 0.30 | |
| Residence in a correctional facility | 4 (0.7) | 3 (0.8) | 1 (0.5) | 0.68 | |
| Drug abuse | 19 (3.2) | 16 (4.1) | 3 (1.4) | 0.09 | |
| Presence of social risk factors | 54 (9.0) | 45 (11.5) | 9 (4.3) | 0.003 | |
| Main characteristics and outcome of 599 courses of preventive treatment | | | | | |
| | Total n (%) | CHPo hospital 1 (%) | HUBell hospital 2 n (%) | P value | |
| Number | 599 | 390 | 209 | | |
| Indication for preventive treatment | 496 (82.8) 103 (17.2) | 289 (74.1) 101 (25.9) | 207 (99.0) 2 (1.0) | <0.001 | |
| Contact with TB case | | | | | |
| Screening in high risk population | | | | | |
| Treatment regimen | 466 (77.8) | 284 (72.8) | 182 (87.1) | <0.001 | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Anibarro, L., Casas, S., Paz-Esqueite, J., Gonzalez, L., Pena, A., Guerra, M. R., ... & Santin, M. (2010). Treatment completion in latent tuberculosis infection at specialist tuberculosis units in Spain. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 14(6), 701-707. | | | | |
| | 6 months isoniazid | 80 (13.4) | 60 (15.4) | 20 (9.6) | |
| | 9 months isoniazid | 32 (5.3) | 25 (6.4) | 7 (3.3) | |
| | 4 months rifampicin | 21 (3.5) | 21 (5.4) | 0 | |
| | other ^a | | | | |
| | Adverse events in the first month | 150 (25.0) | 106 (27.2) | 44 (21.1) | 0.1 |
| | Treatment outcome | 484 (80.8) | 310 (79.5) | 174 (83.3) | 0.29 |
| | Completed | 115 (19.2) | 80 (20.5) | 35 (16.7) | |
| | Not completed | | | | |
| ^a 17 cases treated with 2 months of isoniazid rifampicin and pyrazinamide with or without ethambutol, 4 cases treated with 3 months of isoniazid and rifampicin | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>6 months of isoniazid Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for Spain) OR</p> <p>9 months of isoniazid Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for Spain) OR</p> <p>4 months of rifampicin Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for Spain) OR</p> | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Anibarro, L., Casas, S., Paz-Esquivel, J., Gonzalez, L., Pena, A., Guerra, M. R., ... & Santin, M. (2010). Treatment completion in latent tuberculosis infection at specialist tuberculosis units in Spain. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 14(6), 701-707. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|---|---------|------------|-----|-----|------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|---|--|-----|--|--|--|--|-----|-----|-----|------------------|------|------|-----|-----|---|--|--------|--|--|--|--|----------|-----|-----|--|--|------|-----|-----|--|--|
| | 3 months of isoniazid and rifampicin Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for Spain) OR Isoniazid, rifampicin and pyrazinamide for 2 months followed by isoniazid and rifampicin for 2 months Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for Spain) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Spain | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis: logistic regression analysis was used to adjust for variables with a significance of p<0.10</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Factors analysed</th> <th>n</th> <th>Treatment completion n</th> <th>Adjusted odds ratio (95% CI²)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age, years</td> <td>292</td> <td>219</td> <td>0.33 (0.30-0.76)</td> <td>0.001</td> </tr> <tr> <td><36</td> <td>307</td> <td>263</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>≥36</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sex</td> <td>310</td> <td>235</td> <td>0.58 (0.37-0.92)</td> <td>0.02</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male</td> <td>289</td> <td>249</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Female</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hospital</td> <td>390</td> <td>310</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>CHPo</td> <td>209</td> <td>174</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Factors analysed | n | Treatment completion n | Adjusted odds ratio (95% CI ²) | P value | Age, years | 292 | 219 | 0.33 (0.30-0.76) | 0.001 | <36 | 307 | 263 | 1 | | ≥36 | | | | | Sex | 310 | 235 | 0.58 (0.37-0.92) | 0.02 | Male | 289 | 249 | 1 | | Female | | | | | Hospital | 390 | 310 | | | CHPo | 209 | 174 | | |
| Factors analysed | n | Treatment completion n | Adjusted odds ratio (95% CI ²) | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age, years | 292 | 219 | 0.33 (0.30-0.76) | 0.001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <36 | 307 | 263 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ≥36 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex | 310 | 235 | 0.58 (0.37-0.92) | 0.02 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 289 | 249 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Female | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hospital | 390 | 310 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHPo | 209 | 174 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|-----------------------------------|---|--|-----|------------------|--------|
| HUBell | | | | | |
| Health care worker | 559 | | 449 | | |
| No | 40 | | 35 | | |
| Yes | | | | | |
| Contact with a tuberculosis case | 496 | | 400 | | |
| | 103 | | 84 | | |
| Yes | | | | | |
| No | | | | | |
| Immigrant (<5 years of residence) | 68 | | 36 | 0.21 (0.12-0.37) | <0.001 |
| | 531 | | 448 | 1 | |
| Yes | | | | | |
| No | | | | | |
| Episode of treatment | 562 | | 459 | | |
| Initial regimen | 37 | | 29 | | |
| Alternative regimen | | | | | |
| Treatment regimen | 53 | | 42 | | |
| Short regimen | 546 | | 442 | | |
| 6-9 months isoniazid | | | | | |
| Adverse events in the first month | 449 | | 353 | 0.59 (0.34-1.10) | 0.07 |
| | 150 | | 131 | 1 | |

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|--------------------------------------|--|-----|-----|------------------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|
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| | No | | | | | | | | | |
| | Yes | | | | | | | | | |
| | Social risk factors | 54 | 30 | 0.21 (0.11-0.39) | <0.001 | | | | | |
| | Yes | 545 | 454 | 1 | | | | | | |
| | No | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Funding from the Spanish Network for the Research in Infectious Diseases | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Overall, completion rates of latent tuberculosis treatment in specialist TB units are good. Nevertheless, counselling should be strengthened and new strategies to enhance adherence should be sought for recent immigrants and for people in unfavourable social situations. People less than 35 years of age are also at an increased risk of defaulting treatment. | | | | | | | | | |
| Abbreviations: | | | | | | | | | | |
| ¹ Tuberculin Skin Test | | | | | | | | | | |
| ² CI- confidence interval | | | | | | | | | | |

A.1.16 Li, J., Munsiff, S. S.(2010)

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|--------------------------------|---|
| Bibliographic reference | Li, J., Munsiff, S. S., Tarantino, T., & Dorsinville, M. (2010). Adherence to treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in a clinical population in New York City. <i>International Journal of Infectious Diseases</i>, 14(4), e292-e297. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were taken from two healthcare databases in New York City. A historical cohort of treatment completion for latent tuberculosis treatment was recorded. Some subgroups such as the homeless and drug users were not examined in this analysis.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for non-adherence of latent tuberculosis therapy.</p> <p>Patients received different kinds of care: isoniazid therapy for 6-9 months (daily or twice weekly) or rifampicin based therapy for 4 months (daily). Data was split between those who took rifamycin and those who took isoniazid. There was no attempt to adjust for the differing types of dosing schedules in the isoniazid group, or for the patients taking rifabutin or rifampicin in the rifamycin group.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 45.2% of participants completed therapy satisfactorily. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to be enrolled as this was data taken from a healthcare database.</p> <p>Data collected for the study included: age, sex, race and ethnicity, country of birth, length of time in the USA, borough of residence, date of first visit to a TB clinic, date treatment for latent tuberculosis started, regimen, length of latent TB treatment, and risk of TB disease.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was performed using log-binomial regression. Multivariate analysis appears not to have been adjusted for gender, a major confounding factor.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be reliable since this was a retrospective study and data was retrieved from administrative health data.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was clear but also reliant upon retrospective data. Different methods of evaluating adherence was used depending on the age and regimen of the participant: patients aged >18 years were considered to have completed treatment if they took 6-9 months of isoniazid daily or twice weekly within a 9-12 month period; or > 4 months of daily rifamycin doses within 6 months. Patients younger than 18 years were considered to have completed treatment if they had taken 9 or more months of daily or twice weekly isoniazid therapy within a 12 month</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Li, J., Munsiff, S. S., Tarantino, T., & Dorsinville, M. (2010). Adherence to treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in a clinical population in New York City. <i>International Journal of Infectious Diseases</i>, 14(4), e292-e297. | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------|---|--------------|---|---------|---|
| | period, or 6 or more months of daily rifamycin therapy within 9 months. Outcome measure was not reliable as there was no guarantee that patients were taking their medication despite regular attendance at clinic to pick up their monthly supply of medications. | | | | | | |
| | Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Population: 15,035 | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | Characteristic | Isoniazid n | % | Rifampicin n | % | Total n | % |
| | Included= 15 035 | | | | | | |
| | Inclusion criteria: | | | | | | |
| | All patients prescribed either isoniazid or rifamycin (rifampicin or rifabutin) for the treatment of latent tuberculosis | | | | | | |
| | Within any of 10 New York City Health Department Chest Clinics between January 2002 and August 2004 | | | | | | |
| | Screened and referred by non-health providers for evaluation of positive TST ¹ | | | | | | |
| | Those screened at clinics who were eligible for and started treatment for latent tuberculosis. | | | | | | |
| | Excluded: | | | | | | |
| | Contacts of patients with multi-drug resistant forms of tuberculosis | | | | | | |
| | Not treated with an isoniazid or rifamycin containing regimen | | | | | | |
| | Baseline characteristics: | | | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Li, J., Munsiff, S. S., Tarantino, T., & Dorsinville, M. (2010). Adherence to treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in a clinical population in New York City. <i>International Journal of Infectious Diseases</i> , 14(4), e292-e297. | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---|------|------|------|--------|------|--|
| Total | 14030 | 44.1 | 1005 | 60.0 | 15,035 | 45.4 | |
| Age, years | 3928 | 40.3 | 191 | 52.4 | 4119 | 40.9 | |
| <18 | 2539 | 39.9 | 146 | 61.6 | 2685 | 41.1 | |
| 18-24 | 3078 | 41.6 | 226 | 59.3 | 3304 | 42.8 | |
| 25-34 | 4485 | 51.5 | 442 | 63.1 | 4927 | 52.5 | |
| ≥35 | | | | | | | |
| Sex | 6879 | 44.4 | 436 | 61.0 | 7315 | 45.4 | |
| Male | 7151 | 43.8 | 569 | 59.2 | 7720 | 45.0 | |
| Female | | | | | | | |
| Race/ethnicity | 2245 | 48.8 | 162 | 67.9 | 2407 | 50.1 | |
| Asian | 4810 | 44.1 | 302 | 58.3 | 5112 | 44.9 | |
| Non-Hispanic black | 997 | 38.6 | 69 | 65.2 | 1066 | 40.3 | |
| Non-hispanic white | 4728 | 44.2 | 385 | 58.7 | 5113 | 45.3 | |
| Hispanic | 1250 | 39.5 | 87 | 52.9 | 1337 | 40.4 | |
| Other/unknown | | | | | | | |
| Country of birth | 11821 | 44.3 | 862 | 60.4 | 12683 | 45.2 | |
| Non-US-born | 2076 | 44.5 | 139 | 56.8 | 2215 | 45.3 | |
| | 133 | 27.8 | 4 | 75.0 | 137 | 29.2 | |

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| | US-born | | | | | | |
| | Unknown | | | | | | |
| | Risk group | 2344 | 55.7 | 388 | 67.8 | 2732 | 57.4 |
| | Contact | 1790 | 51.4 | 116 | 67.2 | 1906 | 52.4 |
| | Medical Risk | 8984 | 40.6 | 451 | 52.8 | 9435 | 41.1 |
| | Population Risk | 912 | 34.7 | 50 | 48.0 | 962 | 35.3 |
| | Low risk | | | | | | |
| | Ever on Directly observed preventive therapy | 217 | 70.5 | 14 | 85.7 | 231 | 71.4 |
| | | 13813 | 43.7 | 991 | 59.6 | 14804 | 44.7 |
| | Yes | | | | | | |
| | No | | | | | | |
| | HIV serostatus | 94 | 55.3 | 1 | 0.0 | 95 | 54.7 |
| | Positive | 3057 | 56.1 | 328 | 61.3 | 3385 | 56.6 |
| | Negative | 10879 | 40.6 | 676 | 59.5 | 11555 | 41.7 |
| | Unknown | | | | | | |
| Intervention | For adults: 6-9 months of isoniazid | | | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | <p>Li, J., Munsiff, S. S., Tarantino, T., & Dorsinville, M. (2010). Adherence to treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in a clinical population in New York City. <i>International Journal of Infectious Diseases</i>, 14(4), e292-e297.</p> | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|---|--|------------|------|------------------|------------------|
| | <p>Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for USA)</p> <p>Either daily or twice weekly</p> <p>OR</p> <p>4 months of rifamycin</p> <p>Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for USA)</p> <p>For those under the age of 18:</p> <p>9 months of isoniazid</p> <p>Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for USA)</p> <p>Either daily or twice weekly</p> <p>OR</p> <p>6 months of rifampicin</p> <p>Dose unclear, (presumed to follow national guidelines for USA)</p> <p>Daily</p> | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>logistic regression analysis was used to adjust for all variables in the table:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Variable</th> <th>% treatment of latent Tb completion</th> <th>Crude risk ratio (95% CI²)</th> <th>Adjusted risk ratio (95% CI²)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age, years</td> <td>40.9</td> <td>0.95 (0.90–1.01)</td> <td>0.99 (0.93–1.04)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Variable | % treatment of latent Tb completion | Crude risk ratio (95% CI ²) | Adjusted risk ratio (95% CI ²) | Age, years | 40.9 | 0.95 (0.90–1.01) | 0.99 (0.93–1.04) |
| Variable | % treatment of latent Tb completion | Crude risk ratio (95% CI ²) | Adjusted risk ratio (95% CI ²) | | | | | | |
| Age, years | 40.9 | 0.95 (0.90–1.01) | 0.99 (0.93–1.04) | | | | | | |

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|--|---|------------------|------------------|--|
| <18 | 41.1 | 0.96 (0.90–1.02) | 0.97 (0.92–1.03) | |
| 18-24 | 42.8 | Referent | Referent | |
| 25-35 | 52.5 | 1.23 (1.17–1.29) | 1.16 (1.11–1.22) | |
| ≥35 | | | | |
| Race/ethnicity | 50.1 | 1.24 (1.14–1.35) | 1.20 (1.10–1.30) | |
| Asian | 44.9 | 1.11 (1.03–1.21) | 1.11 (1.02–1.19) | |
| Non-Hispanic black | 40.3 | Referent | Referent | |
| Non-Hispanic white | 45.3 | 1.12 (1.04–1.22) | 1.10 (1.02–1.19) | |
| Hispanic | 40.4 | 1.00 (0.91–1.10) | 1.01 (0.92–1.11) | |
| Other/unknown | | | | |
| Country of birth | 45.3 | 1.00 (0.95–1.05) | 1.08 (1.03–1.13) | |
| Non-US-born | 45.2 | Referent | Referent | |
| US-born | | | | |
| Risk group | 57.4 | 1.62 (1.48–1.78) | 1.51 (1.38–1.66) | |
| Contact | 52.4 | 1.48 (1.35–1.63) | 1.45 (1.32–1.60) | |
| Medical risk | 41.1 | 1.16 (1.07–1.27) | 1.16 (1.07–1.27) | |
| Population risk | 35.3 | Referent | Referent | |
| Low risk | | | | |
| Ever on directly observed preventive therapy | 71.4 | 1.60 (1.47–1.74) | 1.26 (1.18–1.34) | |

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| | Yes | 44.7 | Referent | Referent | | | | |
| | No | | | | | | | |
| | Treatment regimen | 44.1 | Referent | Referent | | | | |
| | Isoniazid alone | 60.0 | 1.36 (1.29–1.44) | 1.20 (1.14–1.26) | | | | |
| | Rifamycin alone | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Shorter regimen and directly observed preventive therapy increase completion rates for latent tuberculosis. Though efforts to improve treatment of latent tuberculosis need to address all groups, greater focus is needed for persons who are contacts and HIV-infected, as they have a higher risk of developing tuberculosis. After multivariate analysis participants who were ≥35 years or older, Asian, non-hispanic black, Hispanic, non-US-born, contacts, at increased medical or population risk of TB, ever on directly observed preventive therapy or a regimen of rifamycin alone were significantly more likely to complete treatment of latent tuberculosis. The strongest factor was being a contact to a TB patient (adjusted relative risk was 1.5 (95% CI ² 1.4–1.7) | | | | | | | |
| Abbreviations: | | | | | | | | |
| ¹ Tuberculin Skin Test | | | | | | | | |
| ² CI- confidence interval | | | | | | | | |

A.1.17 Machado Jr, A., Finkmoore, B (2009)

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| Bibliographic reference | Machado Jr, A., Finkmoore, B., Emodi, K., Takenami, I., Barbosa, T., Tavares, M., ... & Riley, L. W. (2009). Risk factors for failure to complete a course of latent tuberculosis infection treatment in Salvador, Brazil. <i>The International journal of tuberculosis and lung Disease</i> , 13(6), 719-725. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were taken a sample of household contacts of pulmonary tuberculosis in Brazil. Data on HIV status, however, was not sought.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for non-completion of latent tuberculosis therapy.</p> <p>Patients received the same standard of care at the same public chest disease hospital: isoniazid therapy for 6 months.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 53.5% of participants who initiated latent tuberculosis therapy completed treatment satisfactorily. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to be enrolled.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion analysed included: age, gender, ethnicity, presence of BCG scar, current employment status, family income, distance from hospital, number of buses required to commute, relationship to index case, time of exposure to index case, number of 30 day isoniazid refills received.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: poisson regression and logistic regression analysis was used to adjust for confounding variables.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear but unlikely to be reliable since number of buses required to commute was discovered by asking the transportation agency rather than the patients themselves who may have another means of transport. Data was gathered by questionnaire.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was clear but may be unreliable since the patient was judged to be adherent on the basis of attending monthly appointments and picking up pills; it is uncertain if patients were actually taking the pills</p> <p>Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period (6 months)</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 101 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>Household contacts of hospitalized index pulmonary TB cases</p> |

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| Bibliographic reference | Machado Jr, A., Finkmoore, B., Emodi, K., Takenami, I., Barbosa, T., Tavares, M., ... & Riley, L. W. (2009). Risk factors for failure to complete a course of latent tuberculosis infection treatment in Salvador, Brazil. <i>The International journal of tuberculosis and lung Disease</i> , 13(6), 719-725. |
| | Documented latent tuberculosis infection |
| | Spent at least 100 hours with the index case during the symptomatic period |
| | Living in the same residence |
| | TST ¹ ≥10 mm induration |
| | Baseline characteristics: |
| | Characteristics N (%) |
| | Age, years Median 23 |
| | 0-10 14 |
| | 11-21 33 |
| | 22-39 30 |
| | ≥40 24 |
| | Male sex 44 (44) |
| | Ethnicity 49 (52) |
| | Black 36 (38) |
| | Multiracial 10 (10) |
| | White |
| | Presence of a BCG scar 82 (81) |
| | Current employment status 29 (48) |
| | Family monthly income in US \$ Mean 525 |

| Bibliographic reference | Machado Jr, A., Finkmoore, B., Emodi, K., Takenami, I., Barbosa, T., Tavares, M., ... & Riley, L. W. (2009). Risk factors for failure to complete a course of latent tuberculosis infection treatment in Salvador, Brazil. <i>The International journal of tuberculosis and lung Disease</i>, 13(6), 719-725. | |
|---|--|-----------|
| 210-420 | | 35 (34.7) |
| 630-840 | | 39 (38.6) |
| Did not say | | 27 (26.7) |
| Distance from hospital, km | | 28 (29) |
| ≤5 | | 29 (31) |
| 5.1-10 | | 38 (40) |
| >10 | | |
| Number of buses required to commute | | 35 (35) |
| 1 | | 61 (64) |
| 2 | | |
| Relationship to index case | | 42 (42) |
| Spouse/child/parent | | 59 (58) |
| Aunt/uncle/cousin/neighbour/grandparent/sibling | | |
| Time of exposure to index case | | 33 (33) |
| ≥2.7 months | | |
| Number of 30 day isoniazid refills received | | 29 (29.7) |
| 1 | | 10 (9.9) |
| 2 | | 3 (3.0) |
| 3 | | 5 (5.0) |

| Bibliographic reference | Machado Jr, A., Finkmoore, B., Emodi, K., Takenami, I., Barbosa, T., Tavares, M., ... & Riley, L. W. (2009). Risk factors for failure to complete a course of latent tuberculosis infection treatment in Salvador, Brazil. <i>The International journal of tuberculosis and lung Disease</i>, 13(6), 719-725. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | 4 | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 5 | | 54 (53.5) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | 6 months of isoniazid Dose unclear, daily (presumed to follow national guidelines for Brazil) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion (6 months) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Brazil | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis: logistic regression and poisson regression analysis was used to adjust for variables. Treatment completion defined as having picked up all 6 refills of isoniazid at monthly appointments, those who did not complete treatment were defined as those who missed at least one but not all of their appointments.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Treatment non-completion n= 47</th> <th>Treatment complete n=54</th> <th>Relative risk (95% CI²)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age, years</td> <td>Median 23</td> <td>Median 24</td> <td>0.0</td> <td>0.77</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0-10</td> <td>7</td> <td>7</td> <td>0.91 (0.5-1.7)</td> <td>0.67</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11-21</td> <td>15</td> <td>18</td> <td>0.87 (0.4-1.7)</td> <td>1.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>22-39</td> <td>13</td> <td>17</td> <td>1 (0.5-1.9)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>≥ 40</td> <td>12</td> <td>12</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male sex</td> <td>19</td> <td>25</td> <td>0.88 (0.57-1.35)</td> <td>0.56</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Relationship to index</td> <td>22</td> <td>20</td> <td>1.24 (0.8-1.9)</td> <td>0.32</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | | Treatment non-completion n= 47 | Treatment complete n=54 | Relative risk (95% CI ²) | P value | Age, years | Median 23 | Median 24 | 0.0 | 0.77 | 0-10 | 7 | 7 | 0.91 (0.5-1.7) | 0.67 | 11-21 | 15 | 18 | 0.87 (0.4-1.7) | 1.0 | 22-39 | 13 | 17 | 1 (0.5-1.9) | | ≥ 40 | 12 | 12 | | | Male sex | 19 | 25 | 0.88 (0.57-1.35) | 0.56 | Relationship to index | 22 | 20 | 1.24 (0.8-1.9) | 0.32 |
| | Treatment non-completion n= 47 | Treatment complete n=54 | Relative risk (95% CI ²) | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age, years | Median 23 | Median 24 | 0.0 | 0.77 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-10 | 7 | 7 | 0.91 (0.5-1.7) | 0.67 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11-21 | 15 | 18 | 0.87 (0.4-1.7) | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22-39 | 13 | 17 | 1 (0.5-1.9) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ≥ 40 | 12 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male sex | 19 | 25 | 0.88 (0.57-1.35) | 0.56 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Relationship to index | 22 | 20 | 1.24 (0.8-1.9) | 0.32 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|-------------------------|--|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------|
| | case | | | | |
| | Spouse/child/parent | | | | |
| | Aunt/uncle/cousin/neighbour/grandparent/sibling | | | | |
| | Report of adverse effects | 5 | 4 | 2.69 (1.3-5.8) | 0.01 |
| | Monthly family income, US \$ | 12 | 23 | 0.64 (0.4-1.1) | 0.11 |
| | 210-420 | 21 | 18 | 0.0 | |
| | 630-840 | 14 | 13 | | |
| | Did not say | | | | |
| | Distance to health centre | 15 | 13 | 0.0 | 0.52 |
| | 0-5 | 18 | 11 | 1.16 (0.7-1.8) | 0.01 |
| | 5.1-10 | 8 | 30 | 0.39 (0.2-0.8) | |
| | >10 | | | | |
| | Number of buses required to commute | 10 (24) 1 2 | 25 (46) 29 (54) | 0.0 1.84 (1.0-3.3) | 0.04 |
| | 32 (76) | | | | |
| | Risk factors for immediate loss to follow up defined as enrolled study participants who did not return for any follow up | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Machado Jr, A., Finkmoore, B., Emodi, K., Takenami, I., Barbosa, T., Tavares, M., ... & Riley, L. W. (2009). Risk factors for failure to complete a course of latent tuberculosis infection treatment in Salvador, Brazil. <i>The International journal of tuberculosis and lung Disease</i>, 13(6), 719-725. | | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| | visits or receive any medication | Treatment non-completion n= 29 | Treatment complete n=54 | Relative risk (95% CI ²) | P value |
| Age, years | Median: 23 | Median: 24 | 1.0 | 0.35 | |
| 0-10 | 6 | 7 | 0.52 (0.1-2.0) | 0.23 | |
| 11-21 | 8 | 18 | 0.23 (0.1-1.7) | 0.88 | |
| 22-39 | 6 | 17 | 0.85 (0.2-3.5) | | |
| ≥ 40 | 9 | 12 | | | |
| Male sex | 11 | 25 | 0.71 (0.3-1.8) | 0.46 | |
| Relationship to index case | 13 | 20 | 1.38 (0.4-5.0) | 0.49 | |
| | 16 | 34 | 1.0 | | |
| Spouse/child/parent | | | | | |
| Aunt/uncle/cousin/neighbour/grandparent/sibling | | | | | |
| Monthly family income, US \$ | 5 | 23 | 0.21 (0.02-1.9) | 0.17 | |
| | 19 | 18 | 1.0 | | |
| 210-420 | 5 | 13 | | | |
| 630-840 | | | | | |
| Did not say | | | | | |
| Report of adverse effects | n/a | 4 | | | |

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| | Distance to health centre | 8 | 13 | 1.0 | 0.60 | | | | | |
| | 0-5 | 13 | 11 | 1.92 (0.2-22.2) | 0.25 | | | | | |
| | 5.1-10 | 4 | 30 | 0.22 (0.2-3.0) | | | | | | |
| | >10 | | | | | | | | | |
| | Number of buses required to commute | 1 | 25 | 1.0 | 0.01 | | | | | |
| | 2 | 24 | 29 | 20.69 (2.1-208.4) | | | | | | |
| | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Funding from the NIH Fogarty International Centre | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Nearly 50% of household contacts at high risk for developing tuberculosis completed a 6 month course of isoniazid latent tuberculosis therapy. Completion of treatment was most effected by medication intolerance and commuting difficulties for follow up visits. | | | | | | | | | |
| Abbreviations: | | | | | | | | | | |
| ¹Tuberculin Skin Test | | | | | | | | | | |
| ²CI- confidence interval | | | | | | | | | | |

A.1.18 Kwara A, Herold J S et al (2008)

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| Bibliographic reference | Kwara, A., Herold, J. S., Machan, J. T., & Carter, E. J. (2008). Factors associated with failure to complete isoniazid treatment for latent tuberculosis infection in Rhode Island. <i>CHEST Journal</i> , 133(4), 862-868. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were taken from a cohort of patients that began treatment for latent tuberculosis infection in Rhode Island, USA.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for non-completion of latent tuberculosis therapy.</p> <p>Patients did not necessarily receive the same standard of care due to increased clinical monitoring and blood tests in certain age groups of patients in accordance to guidelines.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 61.7% of participants who initiated latent tuberculosis therapy completed treatment satisfactorily. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to initiate therapy.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion analysed included: demographics, TB risk factors, birth country, duration of residence in the United States, reason for discontinuation of therapy and the nature of adverse events experienced.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: logistic regression analysis was used to adjust for confounding variables.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was mostly clear however the definition of “medical risk factor,” wasn’t. Data is unlikely to be reliable since it was obtained by looking retrospectively at medical records.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was clear but may be unreliable since the patient was judged to be adherent on the basis of attending monthly appointments and picking up pills; it is uncertain if patients were actually taking the pills. Data was also retrospective.</p> <p>Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period (9 months)</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 672 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>Patients initiating isoniazid therapy for treatment of latent tuberculosis</p> <p>RISE TB clinic between January 2003 and December 2003</p> |

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| | <p>Positive tuberculin skin test</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Asymptomatic</p> <p>No chest radiographic findings</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <p>Of the 845 patients eligible to be candidates: 82.9% were foreign born, 17.1% were born in the United states, 54.8% were Hispanic, 19.7% were black or African American, 8.2% were white, 6.5% were Asian or Pacific Islanders and 1.5% were other. More baseline characteristics of the 672 patients included in the study can be found in the outcome measures and effects size section.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>9 months of isoniazid</p> <p>Dose unclear, daily (presumed to follow national guidelines for Brazil)</p> <p>Monitoring of patients:</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age yr</td> <td>Follow up and frequency of routine AST check</td> </tr> <tr> <td><20</td> <td>Clinical monitoring only every 2 months</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20-34</td> <td>AST at baseline and 2 months; clinical monitoring every 2 months</td> </tr> <tr> <td>35-60</td> <td>AST at baseline, months 1 and 2, clinical monitoring at month 1 and then every 2 months.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>61-80</td> <td>AST at baseline and months 1 through 5 with clinical monitoring, then clinical monitoring every 2 months</td> </tr> <tr> <td>>80</td> <td>AST at baseline and monthly with clinical monitoring for the entire course</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Age yr | Follow up and frequency of routine AST check | <20 | Clinical monitoring only every 2 months | 20-34 | AST at baseline and 2 months; clinical monitoring every 2 months | 35-60 | AST at baseline, months 1 and 2, clinical monitoring at month 1 and then every 2 months. | 61-80 | AST at baseline and months 1 through 5 with clinical monitoring, then clinical monitoring every 2 months | >80 | AST at baseline and monthly with clinical monitoring for the entire course |
| Age yr | Follow up and frequency of routine AST check | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | Clinical monitoring only every 2 months | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20-34 | AST at baseline and 2 months; clinical monitoring every 2 months | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 35-60 | AST at baseline, months 1 and 2, clinical monitoring at month 1 and then every 2 months. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 61-80 | AST at baseline and months 1 through 5 with clinical monitoring, then clinical monitoring every 2 months | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| >80 | AST at baseline and monthly with clinical monitoring for the entire course | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion (9 months) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Rhode Island, USA | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Kwara, A., Herold, J. S., Machan, J. T., & Carter, E. J. (2008). Factors associated with failure to complete isoniazid treatment for latent tuberculosis infection in Rhode Island. <i>CHEST Journal</i> , 133(4), 862-868. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>Multiple logistic regression analysis was used to adjust for variables.</p> <p>Treatment completion defined as having picked up all 9 months of isoniazid pills. Those who did not constituted the treatment non-completion group.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis included age, gender, race, insurance, birthplace, duration in United States, pregnant, postpartum, illicit drug use, any alcohol, medical risk factors, HIV, TST¹ size of induration, history of BCG, known contact, chest radiograph, any reported side effects, skin rash, abnormal AST² level.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Variables | OR | 95% Confidence Interval | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age, yr | Reference | 0.8-6.5 | 0.075 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| >50 | 2.3 | 0.6-1.5 | 0.874 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 1.5 | 0.5-3.3 | 0.559 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20-34 | 1.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 35-50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Medical Insurance | Reference | 1.1-2.7 | 0.023 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 1.7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reported side effect | Reference | 2.2-6.2 | <0.0001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No | 3.6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Postpartum | Reference | 0.9-12.6 | 0.064 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No | 3.4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | Yes |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding |
| Comments | SUMMARY: At multivariate analysis lack of medical insurance coverage and the occurrence of treatment side effects were the only factors that were simultaneously associated with the non-completion of INH therapy when all effects were eligible for inclusion in the model. |

Abbreviations:

¹Tuberculin Skin Test

²Aspartate aminotransferase

A.1.19 Haley, C. A., Stephan, S. et al (2008)

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| Bibliographic reference | Haley, C. A., Stephan, S., Vossel, L. F., Sherfy, E. A., Laserson, K. F., & Kainer, M. A. (2008). Successful use of rifampicin for Hispanic foreign-born patients with latent tuberculosis infection. <i>The international journal of tuberculosis and lung disease</i> , 12(2), 160-167. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were taken from a cohort of patients that began treatment for latent tuberculosis infection in Tennessee, USA. However the sample included a large proportion of patients that were Hispanic or foreign born taking 4 months of rifampicin therapy, this may effect generalization to other populations on different therapy.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for non-completion of latent tuberculosis therapy and of adverse events.</p> <p>Patients generally received the same standard of care in various Tennessee Department of Health clinics. Rifampicin was given with directly observed therapy in 4 cases (0.5%).</p> <p>Treatment completion was adequate: 76% of participants who initiated latent tuberculosis therapy completed treatment satisfactorily. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to initiate therapy.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion analysed included: demographic, social and clinical characteristics, prior treatment of latent tuberculosis, daily rifampicin dose, number of bottles and dates dispensed, symptoms during treatment, laboratory values and, if applicable, reason for non-completion.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: logistic regression analysis was performed using a manual forward stepwise method.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear however data is unlikely to be reliable since it was obtained by looking retrospectively at medical records.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was clear but may be unreliable since the patient was judged to be adherent on the basis of attending monthly appointments and picking up pills; it is uncertain if patients were actually taking the pills. Data was also retrospective.</p> <p>Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period (4 months)</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 749 |
| Patient characteristics | Included: |

| Bibliographic reference | <p>Haley, C. A., Stephan, S., Vossel, L. F., Sherfy, E. A., Laserson, K. F., & Kainer, M. A. (2008). Successful use of rifampicin for Hispanic foreign-born patients with latent tuberculosis infection. <i>The international journal of tuberculosis and lung disease</i>, 12(2), 160-167.</p> | | | |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | <p>Patients initiating rifampicin therapy for treatment of latent tuberculosis</p> | | | |
| | <p>Treated between February 2000 and February 2004</p> | | | |
| | <p>Excluded</p> | | | |
| | <p>Aged <18 years</p> | | | |
| | <p>More than one antituberculosis drug at baseline</p> | | | |
| | <p>Prior completion of latent tuberculosis treatment</p> | | | |
| | <p>Elevated aminotransferase levels≥3 times the upper limit of normal at baseline</p> | | | |
| | <p>Explicitly stated that they had never taken any rifampicin</p> | | | |
| | <p>Refused treatment within 2 days for reasons other than adverse events</p> | | | |
| | <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> | | | |
| | Patient characteristic | N (%) or median (range) | Patient characteristics | N (%) or median (range) |
| | Median age, years | 30 (18-84) | Diabetes | 14 (1.9) |
| | Male | 531 (70.9) | End stage renal disease | 1 (<1) |
| | Ethnicity | 623 (83.2) | Head and neck cancer | 1 (<1) |
| | White | 94 (12.6) | | |
| | Black | 32 (4.3) | | |
| | Asian | 534 (71.3) | | |
| | Hispanic | 598 (79.8) | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Haley, C. A., Stephan, S., Vossel, L. F., Sherfy, E. A., Laserson, K. F., & Kainer, M. A. (2008). Successful use of rifampicin for Hispanic foreign-born patients with latent tuberculosis infection. <i>The international journal of tuberculosis and lung disease</i>, 12(2), 160-167. | | | |
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| Foreign-born | | | | |
| Country of origin (n=597) | 373 (62.4) | Weight loss of >10% body weight | 6 (<1) | |
| Mexico | 102 (17.1) | | | |
| Guatemala | 14 (2.3) | | | |
| Honduras | 10 (1.7) | | | |
| El Salvador | 9 (1.5) | | | |
| Somalia | 8 (1.3) | | | |
| India | 7 (1.2) | | | |
| Sudan | 7 (1.2) | | | |
| Puerto Rico | 6 (1.0) | | | |
| Vietnam | 63 (10.6) | | | |
| 37 other countries | | | | |
| Median length of US residence, months (n=594) | 41.2 (0.2-432.0) | HIV status (n=737) | 1 (<1) | |
| | 385 (64.8) | HIV-infected | 347 (47.1) | |
| Recent immigrant within 5 years (n=594) | | HIV-negative | 303 (41.1) | |
| | | Refused test | 86 (11.7) | |
| | | Status unknown | | |
| Primary language other than English | 599 (80.0) | TST ¹ result, mm induration (n=744) | 15 (0-60) | |

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| Travel to TB endemic area | 159 (21.2) | Use of other medications reported at baseline | 166 (22.2) | |
| Contact with an infectious case of TB | 93 (12.4) | History of prior latent tuberculosis treatment | 64 (8.5) | |
| | | Prior isoniazid | 45 (6.0) | |
| | | Prior rifampicin | 11 (1.5) | |
| | | Prior rifampicin and pyrazinamide | 5 (<1) | |
| | | Other/unknown | 3 (<1) | |
| Work or residence within a correctional facility in the past year | 43 (5.7) | Average amount of alcohol reported at baseline (n=749) | 492 (65.7) | |
| | | None | 97 (13.0) | |
| | | ≤1 drink/day | 148 (19.8) | |
| | | >1 drink/day | 6 (<1) | |
| | | Prior heavy use, none current | 6 (<1) | |
| | | Consumers of unknown amount | | |
| Health care worker | 26 (3.5) | Liver disease prior to treatment (n=748) | 740 (98.9) | |
| | | None | 2 (<1) | |
| | | Cirrhosis | 5 (<1) | |
| | | Viral hepatitis | 1 (<1) | |

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| | Homeless in past year | 6 (<1) | Unknown | |
| | | | Baseline category for aminotransferase values (n=725) | 699 (96.4) |
| | | | Both AST and ALT <80 U/L | 20 (2.8) |
| | | | AST <80, ALT 80-119 | 4 (<1) |
| | | | AST 80-119, ALT <80 | 2 (<1) |
| | | | Both AST and ALT 80-119 | |
| | Work or residence in shelter in past year | 9 (1.2) | | |
| | Work or residence in other high-risk congregate setting in past year | 19 (2.5) | | |
| | Past or present injection drug use (n=584) | 5 (<1) | | |
| Intervention | 4 months of rifampicin Rifampicin: 10 mg/kg, daily | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion (4 months) | | | |
| Location | Tennessee, USA | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Results of multivariate analysis: Treatment completion defined as having picked up all 4 months of rifampicin pills and a provider determination that treatment is complete. Below analysis shows risk factors for failure to complete rifampicin therapy among Hispanic and | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | <p>Haley, C. A., Stephan, S., Vossel, L. F., Sherfy, E. A., Laserson, K. F., & Kainer, M. A. (2008). Successful use of rifampicin for Hispanic foreign-born patients with latent tuberculosis infection. <i>The international journal of tuberculosis and lung disease</i>, 12(2), 160-167.</p> <p>non-hispanic subjects</p> <p>Multivariate analysis included variables that were clinically relevant or had P value ≤ 0.2.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Risk factors</th><th>Adjusted odds ratio (95% Confidence interval)</th><th>P value</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Hispanic subjects (n=534)</td><td>3.7 (1.8-7.4)</td><td><0.001</td></tr> <tr> <td>Contact with an infectious TB case</td><td>1.7 (1.1-2.8)</td><td>0.02</td></tr> <tr> <td>Alcohol use reported at baseline</td><td>2.2 (1.3-3.8)</td><td>0.01</td></tr> <tr> <td>Other medications reported at baseline</td><td>2.2 (0.8-5.7)</td><td>0.1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Work or residence in a correctional facility in past year</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Non-Hispanic subjects (n=215)</td><td>2.6 (1.5-4.7)</td><td>0.001</td></tr> <tr> <td>Black race</td><td>0.97 (0.94-0.99)</td><td>0.03</td></tr> <tr> <td>Age</td><td>0.5 (0.2-0.9)</td><td>0.02</td></tr> <tr> <td>Foreign birth</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>“Symptoms during treatment” was defined by the occurrence of any new symptom not present at baseline regardless of severity or relationship to rifampicin therapy.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis included variables that were clinically relevant or had P value ≤ 0.2. Female sex and non-Hispanic ethnicity were independently associated with new symptoms during rifampicin therapy.</p> | Risk factors | Adjusted odds ratio (95% Confidence interval) | P value | Hispanic subjects (n=534) | 3.7 (1.8-7.4) | <0.001 | Contact with an infectious TB case | 1.7 (1.1-2.8) | 0.02 | Alcohol use reported at baseline | 2.2 (1.3-3.8) | 0.01 | Other medications reported at baseline | 2.2 (0.8-5.7) | 0.1 | Work or residence in a correctional facility in past year | | | Non-Hispanic subjects (n=215) | 2.6 (1.5-4.7) | 0.001 | Black race | 0.97 (0.94-0.99) | 0.03 | Age | 0.5 (0.2-0.9) | 0.02 | Foreign birth | | |
|---|---|--------------|---|---------|---------------------------|---------------|--------|------------------------------------|---------------|------|----------------------------------|---------------|------|--|---------------|-----|---|--|--|-------------------------------|---------------|-------|------------|------------------|------|-----|---------------|------|---------------|--|--|
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| Alcohol use reported at baseline | 2.2 (1.3-3.8) | 0.01 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other medications reported at baseline | 2.2 (0.8-5.7) | 0.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Work or residence in a correctional facility in past year | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic subjects (n=215) | 2.6 (1.5-4.7) | 0.001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Black race | 0.97 (0.94-0.99) | 0.03 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age | 0.5 (0.2-0.9) | 0.02 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Foreign birth | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: With high completion rates and minimal side effects, 4 months of rifampicin is a favourable treatment for latent tuberculosis in Hispanic and other foreign born populations. After multivariate analysis contact with a TB case and | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Abbreviations: | |
| ¹ Tuberculin Skin Test | |

A.1.20 Leung, C. C., Yew, W. W et al (2007)

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| Bibliographic reference | Leung, C. C., Yew, W. W., Law, W. S., Tam, C. M., Leung, M., Chung, Y. W., ... & Fu, F. (2007). Smoking and tuberculosis among silicotic patients. <i>European Respiratory Journal</i> , 29(4), 745-750. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population mostly matches population of interest. Participants were taken from a cohort of male high risk silicotic patients in Hong Kong. The sample included those who had an induration less than 10 mm however tuberculin status was later adjusted for in multivariate analysis. The population is also highly specific which may effect generalization to other populations in different countries with different underlying conditions or risk factors.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factor of smoking for the development of active tuberculosis.</p> <p>Patients did not receive the same standard of care for latent TB as some were treated and others were not. Information on the number treated and on which treatment regimen is provided. Patients were also seen in differing clinics with potential for variance in standard of care. Adjustments for treatment of latent tuberculosis were attempted in multivariate analysis.</p> <p>A total of 435 male silicotic patients were recruited and data was available for all. It is possible that in prospective cohort analysis cases may have been missed although regular follow up of the cohort and screening of notification registry was put in place to minimise this risk.</p> <p>Follow up: unclear how regular follow up appointments were in the Pneumoconiosis Clinic or other chest clinics during the 7 year study period.</p> <p>Data analysed for risk of developing tuberculosis included: date of tuberculin testing; age; ethnicity; smoking history; alcohol use; BCG vaccination scar; coexisting medical conditions; occupation; duration of dust exposure; and disease indencies according to the International Labour Organisation classification (profusion/size/shape/ of lung nodules, progressive massive fibrosis).</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: logistic regression analysis was performed and Cox proportional hazards analysis.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear although data was recorded by questionnaire which is vulnerable to recall bias.</p> <p>Definition of development of active tuberculosis was clear and a valid and reliable method was used to record outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 435 |
| Patient characteristics | Included: |

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|---|---|----------------------------|-------------|
| All patients with silicosis | | | |
| Excluded | | | |
| Females (due to small numbers) | | | |
| Previous history of tuberculin skin testing | | | |
| Previous history of treatment for latent tuberculosis | | | |
| Baseline characteristics: | | | |
| Variable | Tuberculin reaction <10 mm | Tuberculin reaction ≥10 mm | Overall |
| Subjects n | 118 | 317 | 435 |
| Age years | 58.4 ± 9.9 | 57.2 ± 9.9 | 57.6 ± 9.9 |
| Smoking status | 16.1 | 9.1 | 11.0 |
| Never-smoked | 44.9 | 36.9 | 39.1 |
| Ex-smoker | 39.0 | 53.9 | 49.9 |
| Current smoker | | | |
| Current cigarette day | 3.9 ± 8.3 | 4.6 ± 6.8 | 4.4 ± 7.3 |
| Cigarette pack-years | 24.0 ± 20.1 | 22.7 ± 21.5 | 23.1 ± 21.1 |
| Regular alcohol use | 5.1 | 13.6 | 11.3 |
| BCG scar | 1.7 | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| BMI | 23.1 ± 3.4 | 23.8 ± 3.3 | 23.6 ± 3.3 |
| With other comorbidities | 40.7 | 40.1 | 40.2 |

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| | Principle job | 36.4 | 46.4 | 43.7 |
| | Underground driller | 31.4 | 32.2 | 32.0 |
| | Surface driller | 5.1 | 3.2 | 3.7 |
| | Fine silica | 27.1 | 18.3 | 20.7 |
| | Other jobs | | | |
| | Exposure to dust years | 24.2 ± 9.4 | 24.2 ± 8.3 | 24.2 ± 8.6 |
| | Profusion of nodules | 66.9 | 65.9 | 66.2 |
| | Category 1 | 27.1 | 32.2 | 30.8 |
| | Category 2 | 5.9 | 1.9 | 3.0 |
| | Category 3 | | | |
| | Size of nodules mm | 28.0 | 32.2 | 31.0 |
| | <1.5 | 61.0 | 57.4 | 58.4 |
| | 1.5-3 | 11.0 | 10.4 | 10.6 |
| | 3-10 | | | |
| | Regular shape of nodules | 81.4 | 82.3 | 82.1 |
| | Progressive massive fibrosis | 18.6 | 17.7 | 17.9 |
| Intervention | For those identified as having latent tuberculosis n=317, only 101 (31.9%) accepted treatment for latent tuberculosis: 61 were administered 6 months of daily isoniazid and 40 were administered 2 months of daily rifampicin and pyrazinamide. | | | |
| Length of follow up | The mean duration of follow up from the day of enrolment to development of TB, death or the end of the study was 1,908 ± 847 days. | | | |

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|--|---|---------|----------------------|---------|--|
| Location | Hong Kong | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>Current smokers defined as an individual who had smoked ≥ 1 cigarette a day for ≥ 1 year and is still currently smoking within the previous 1 year.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis included the variables: age, past/current regular alcohol use, body mass index, presence of other co-morbidities, BCG scar, tuberculin status/treatment of latent tuberculosis infection, principle job type, duration of silica dust exposure/profession, size and shape of lung nodules and progressive massive fibrosis.</p> <p>Adjusted hazard ratios (95% confidence interval) of active tuberculosis and culture confirmed TB with respect to smoking related variables:</p> | | | | |
| Factors | Active TB | P value | Culture confirmed TB | P value | |
| Current smokers versus other | 1.96 (1.12-3.35) | 0.015 | 2.13 (1.12-4.06) | 0.021 | |
| Number currently smoked per day | 1.00 (ref.) | 0.011 | 1.00 (ref.) | 0.002 | |
| <10 | 1.89 (1.04-3.43) | | 2.46 (1.19-5.05) | | |
| 10-<20 | 2.54 (1.28-5.03) | | 3.65 (1.63-8.16) | | |
| ≥ 20 | | | | | |
| Cigarette pack-years | 1.00 (ref.) | 0.134 | 1.00 (ref.) | 0.320 | |
| <20 | 1.29 (0.75-2.23) | | 1.19 (0.61-2.31) | | |
| 20-<40 | 1.96 (1.01-3.79) | | 1.83 (0.84-4.03) | | |
| ≥ 40 | | | | | |

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| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding |
| Comments | SUMMARY: On Cox proportional hazard analysis, current smokers have a significantly higher risk of TB than other silicotic patients (adjusted hazard ratio (95% confidence interval): 1.96 (1.14-3.35) after controlling for age, alcohol use, tuberculin status, treatment for latent TB infection and other relevant background/disease factors. A significant dose-response relationship was also observed with daily number of cigarettes currently smoked. Smoking cessation may reduce 32.4% (95% confidence interval: 6.5-54.0) of the risk. Smoking increases the risk of both tuberculosis infection and subsequent development of disease among male silicotic patients. |

A.1.21 Lobato MN, Reves RR et al (2005)

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| Bibliographic reference | Lobato, M. N., Reves, R. R., Jasmer, R. M., Grabau, J. C., Bock, N. N., & Shang, N. (2005). Adverse events and treatment completion for latent tuberculosis in jail inmates and homeless persons. <i>CHEST Journal</i> , 127(4), 1296-1303. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants included two high risk groups for tuberculosis: homeless people and jail populations.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for non-completion and adverse events during treatment of latent tuberculosis therapy, specifically the regimen of rifampicin and pyrazinamide for 2 months.</p> <p>Patients mostly received the same standard of care as treatment was given via directly observed therapy in both groups with the exception that the homeless population were required to self-administer over weekends. One group was also treated in a jail setting where the care may have been different. During the study, due to the death of one of the participants from hepatotoxicity, the rate of laboratory testing was increased to every 2 weeks. AST¹ testing and ALT² testing was available for 97% and 56% of participants respectively. These factors may have led to missed cases of hepatotoxicity in some treated patients.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low but similar between groups: 43.6% of homeless participants and 47.5% of incarcerated participants who initiated latent tuberculosis therapy completed treatment satisfactorily. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to initiate therapy.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion and adverse events analysed included: demographics, risk factors for exposure to TB, symptoms of TB, and pertinent medical history including liver disease and current medications. Participants were offered HIV testing if not documented.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was used: logistic regression analysis was performed using a backward stepwise selection procedure.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear and the methods used to record the risk were generally reliable and valid although users of alcohol and intravenous drug use is likely to be under reported.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was clear and mostly reliable and valid since treatment was directly observed. The ranges used for definition of hepatotoxicity (≥ 2.5 times the upper limit of normal) was slightly smaller than those used by other studies (≥ 3 times the upper limit of normal) which may lead to an overestimation of effect.</p> |

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|--------------------------------|---|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------|-------------|------|------|------|-------------|------------|------------|------|----------------|------------|-----------|--------|
| | <p>There were clear differences in homeless and jail populations at baseline.</p> <p>Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period (3 months maximum). 34 inmates were transferred to another facility while receiving treatment and lost to follow up.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Population: 1,246 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>Patients receiving pyrazinamide and rifampicin in jail and homeless populations</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Prefer treatment with another regimen</p> <p>Age <17 years</p> <p>Active tuberculosis</p> <p>Previous treatment for TB or latent TB</p> <p>Intolerance of treatment medication</p> <p>Pregnancy or attempting to become pregnant</p> <p>Serum concentration of AST¹ or ALT² greater than 5 times upper limit of normal at baseline.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Characteristics</th> <th>Jail inmates (n=844) (%)</th> <th>Homeless (n=367) (%)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Mean age, y</td> <td>33.3</td> <td>37.1</td> <td>0.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male gender</td> <td>758 (89.9)</td> <td>334 (91.0)</td> <td>0.59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Race/ethnicity</td> <td>507 (60.1)</td> <td>69 (18.8)</td> <td><0.001</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Characteristics | Jail inmates (n=844) (%) | Homeless (n=367) (%) | P value | Mean age, y | 33.3 | 37.1 | 0.04 | Male gender | 758 (89.9) | 334 (91.0) | 0.59 | Race/ethnicity | 507 (60.1) | 69 (18.8) | <0.001 |
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| Black, non-Hispanic | 271 (32.1) | 220 (59.9) | <0.001 |
| Hispanic | 66 (7.8) | 78 (21.3) | |
| Other | | | |
| US born | 535 (63.4) | 150 (40.9) | <0.001 |
| Drug use | 44 (5.2) | 17 (4.6) | 0.78 |
| Injection | 473 (56.0) | 69 (18.8) | <0.001 |
| Non-injection | | | |
| Excess alcohol use | 225 (26.7) | 101 (27.5) | 0.81 |
| Unemployed past 24 months | 163 (19.3) | 112 (30.5) | <0.001 |
| Homeless in past 12 months | 90 (10.7) | 366 (99.7) | <0.001 |
| Prior jail incarceration | 628 (74.4) | 121 (33.0) | <0.001 |
| HIV serostatus | 12 (1.4) | 5 (1.4) | 0.85 |
| Positive | 474 (56.1) | 210 (57.2) | 0.78 |
| Negative | 157 (18.6) | 83 (22.6) | 0.13 |
| Not tested | 201 (32.8) | 69 (18.8) | 0.06 |
| Unknown | | | 0.20 |
| Prior positive tuberculin skin test result | 280 (33.2) | 136 (37.1) | 0.20 |

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| Intervention | <p>2 months of rifampicin and pyrazinamide</p> <p>Rifampicin: 600 mg, daily</p> <p>Pyrazinamide: 15 to 20 mg/kg, daily (maximum, 2g)</p> <p>Treatment given via directly observed therapy, homeless population took medication self-administered on weekends.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion (3 months maximum) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | result | | | | |
| Previous incarceration | 402/749 | 1.00 | 0.89 (0.69–1.15) | 0.37 | |
| Injection drug use | 40/61 | 0.60 | 0.54 (0.31–0.95) | 0.03 | |
| Non-injection drug use | 281/542 | 1.14 | 0.96 (0.75–1.23) | 0.75 | |
| Excess alcohol | 161/326 | 1.27 | 1.35 (1.04–1.76) | 0.03 | |
| Elevated AST ¹ before therapy | 70/128 | 0.97 | 0.96 (0.77–1.20) | 0.71 | |
| Multivariate analysis showed predictors for non-completion were female sex, Hispanic ethnicity, lack of employment, injection drug use within the past 12 months, or excessive use of alcohol. | | | | | |
| | Abnormal AST ¹ was defined as developing a serum concentration of AST ¹ ≥2.5 times the upper limits of normal during treatment with rifampicin and pyrazinamide. | | | | |
| Variables | Therapy not completed No./Total patients | Crude odds ratio | Adjusted odds ratio (95% confidence interval (CI)) | P value | |
| Age, y | NA | 0.98 | 0.97 (0.95–0.99) | 0.01 | |
| Female sex | 8/51 | 0.95 | 0.97 (0.45–2.11) | 0.95 | |
| US born | 42/430 | 1.08 | 1.14 (0.70–1.85) | 0.60 | |
| Black, non-Hispanic | 34/335 | 0.98 | 0.96 (0.60–1.54) | 0.86 | |
| Hispanic | 33/257 | 0.94 | 0.89 (0.55–1.45) | 0.65 | |
| Homeless | 26/238 | 1.22 | 1.31 (0.77–2.24) | 0.31 | |

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| | Unemployed | 12/156 | 0.60 | 0.51 (0.27–0.97) | 0.04 |
| | Prior positive tuberculin skin test result | 30/231 | 0.83 | 0.93 (0.57–1.52) | 0.78 |
| | Previous incarceration | 50/467 | 0.90 | 1.29 (0.78–2.15) | 0.32 |
| | Injection drug use | 2/30 | 2.09 | 2.57 (0.58–11.30) | 0.21 |
| | Non-injection drug use | 30/333 | 1.32 | 1.18 (0.73–1.90) | 0.50 |
| | Excess alcohol | 28/219 | 0.64 | 0.71 (0.43–1.17) | 0.18 |
| | Elevated AST ¹ before therapy | 17/1169 | 0.71 | 0.72 (0.54–0.95) | 0.02 |
| | Multivariate analysis found increasing age, an abnormal baseline AST ¹ level, and unemployment within the past 24 months were independent risk factors for hepatotoxicity in this population of incarcerated and homeless individuals when treated with rifampicin and pyrazinamide. | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: This study detected the first treatment-associated fatality with the rifampicin and pyrazinamide regimen, prompting surveillance that detected unacceptable levels of hepatotoxicity and retraction of recommendations for its routine use. Completion rates for latent tuberculosis treatment using a short-course regimen exceeds historical rates using isoniazid. Efforts to identify an effective short-course treatment regimen for latent tuberculosis should be given high priority. Multivariate analysis showed predictors for non-completion were female sex, Hispanic ethnicity, lack of employment, injection drug use within the past 12 months, or excessive use of alcohol. Multivariate analysis found increasing age, an abnormal baseline AST ¹ level, and unemployment within the past 24 months were independent risk factors for hepatotoxicity in this population of incarcerated and homeless individuals when treated with rifampicin and pyrazinamide. | | | | |

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| Abbreviations: | |
| ¹ AST- aspartate aminotransferase | |
| ² ALT- alanine aminotransferase | |

A.1.22 Vinnard C, Gopal A (2013)

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| Bibliographic reference | Vinnard, C., Gopal, A., Linkin, D. R., & Maslow, J. (2013). Isoniazid Toxicity among an Older Veteran Population: A Retrospective Cohort Study. <i>Tuberculosis research and treatment</i> , 2013. |
| Study type | Retrospective Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were a high risk group for isoniazid toxicity: the older veteran population.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors stopping treatment due to adverse events during treatment of latent tuberculosis therapy, specifically during isoniazid therapy within 6 months of initiation.</p> <p>Patients appear to have received a great variety of different standards of care. Variability included testing for comorbidities, number of isoniazid tablets provided per prescription and frequency of follow up visits. The proportion of patients in the cohort without testing for important comorbidities was not determined. Women were under-represented in this study.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 46% of veterans who initiated latent tuberculosis therapy completed treatment satisfactorily. Comparisons were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to initiate therapy. Data was not available for why 46% of patients discontinued treatment.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion and adverse events gathered included: demographic and comorbidity data, including HIV infection, hepatitis C infection, past or current alcohol abuse, past or current intravenous drug use, baseline aminotransferase levels and peak levels during treatment. Uncertain how many of these variables were included in analysis.</p> <p>Cox regression analysis was performed however it is uncertain which variables were included in the analysis and whether certain significant variables were left out.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear however data was gathered by retrospectively examining clinical charts which is unlikely to be reliable.</p> <p>Definition of treatment completion outcome was unclear and may be unreliable since data was gathered retrospectively. Also ALT¹ levels were available for only 84% of the participants at baseline and 71% of the participants during therapy which meant diagnosis of hepatotoxicity was reliant upon the clinician reporting this is both unclear and unreliable.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics were not provided for all patients.</p> <p>Follow up did not continue beyond treatment period (6 months maximum).</p> |

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| Number of patients | Population: 219 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>Patients receiving isoniazid alone for therapy of latent tuberculosis</p> <p>Single medical centre in Philadelphia</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <p>Not reported for all participants (for those who completed treatment and those who discontinued due to isoniazid hepatotoxicity see the outcomes measures and effect size section).</p> |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid alone</p> <p>Length of treatment and dose not recorded</p> <p>Type of care given varied with no data provided</p> |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment completion (6 months maximum) |
| Location | USA |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of proportional hazards model:</p> <p>The relationship between hepatitis C infection and isoniazid discontinuation due to suspected hepatotoxicity remained significant even after adjusting for age and alcohol use (HR 3.03, 95% confidence interval 1.08–8.52). Age was not associated with treatment discontinuation due to suspected toxicity (HR 1.03, 95% confidence interval 0.99–1.07).</p> |
| Source of funding | Funding provided in part by CDC Prevention Epicentres Programme |
| Comments | SUMMARY: The relationship between hepatitis C infection and isoniazid discontinuation due to suspected hepatotoxicity remained significant even after adjusting for age and alcohol use (HR 3.03, 95% confidence interval 1.08–8.52). Age was not associated with treatment discontinuation due to suspected toxicity (HR 1.03, 95% confidence interval 0.99–1.07). |

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| Abbreviations: | |
| ¹ALT- alanine aminotransferase | |

A.1.23 Martinez-Pino I, Sambeat, MA et al (2013)

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| Bibliographic reference | Martínez-Pino, I., Sambeat, M. A., Lacalle-Remigio, J. R., Domingo, P., & VACH Cohort Study Group. (2013). Incidence of tuberculosis in HIV-infected patients in Spain: the impact of treatment for LTBI. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i> , 17(12), 1545-1551. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants included HIV infected patients in 20 hospitals from the different regions in Spain. Data was drawn prospectively from an electronic case record shared between hospitals. As tuberculosis incidence was also estimated data included various patients who were not infected with latent tuberculosis, but this was separable from our population of interest.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing the risk factors for progression of latent tuberculosis to active tuberculosis.</p> <p>It is unclear if patients received the same standard of care since participants were spread over 20 different hospitals. All treated individuals received isoniazid 300mg, daily for 9 months.</p> <p>Treatment completion was low but similar between groups: 144 out of 270 receiving isoniazid completed therapy. Comparisons in baseline characteristics were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to initiate therapy. Comparisons were made between those who had no information available on TST¹ results and those who did.</p> <p>Risk factors for development of active tuberculosis gathered included: age, gender, known date of HIV diagnosis, known start date of HAART², HAART² at TST¹, HAART² at TB diagnosis, ethnicity, education, socio-economic strata, previous incarceration, anti-HCV antibodies, HbsAg, CD4 cell count at enrolment, CD4 <200 cells/μl at enrolment, HIV viral load at enrolment, nadir CD4 cell count.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was done using Cox's proportional hazards models. Unclear why CD4 count at registration<200 vs. \geq200 cells/μl was not included in final multivariate analysis when it was significant at the univariate level.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear and the methods used to record the risk were generally reliable and valid although taken from a central electronic database.</p> <p>Definition of diagnosis of active and latent tuberculosis was well defined with a valid and reliable method used. However there was a large proportion of the population for whom</p> <p>There were clear differences in populations at baseline between those who had no TB, prevalent TB and incident TB. Information on TST¹ was not available for 4848 patients. Compared with patients with available TST¹ results, these</p> |

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| | Follow up continued for a maximum of 5 years. Length of follow up was adjusted for in hazard ratios. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Population: 7902 (428 participants were TST ¹ positive) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>Participants entering the VACH Cohort after 1 January 2004</p> <p>Patients without a history of TB at enrolment in the cohort who did not develop TB during follow up</p> <p>Patients who developed TB during follow up after enrolment (incident cases)</p> <p>Patients with a history of TB before enrolment in the cohort (prevalent cases).</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Patients with a history of tuberculosis before TST¹ and those with missing TB diagnosis dates were excluded from the analysis.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>No TB (n=7220) n (%)</th> <th>Prevalent TB (n=514) n (%)</th> <th>Incident TB (n=168) n (%)</th> <th>Total (n=7977) n (%)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age, years, median</td> <td>37.4 [31.1–43.2]</td> <td>39.8 [36.0–44.2]</td> <td>37.0 [32.5–42.4]</td> <td>37.7 [31.6–43.3]</td> <td><0.001</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male sex</td> <td>5404 (74.8)</td> <td>422 (82.1)</td> <td>122 (72.6)</td> <td>6007 (75.3)</td> <td>0.001</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Known date of HIV diagnosis</td> <td>5732 (79.4)</td> <td>412 (80.2)</td> <td>154 (91.7)</td> <td>6368 (79.8)</td> <td>–</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | No TB (n=7220) n (%) | Prevalent TB (n=514) n (%) | Incident TB (n=168) n (%) | Total (n=7977) n (%) | P value | Age, years, median | 37.4 [31.1–43.2] | 39.8 [36.0–44.2] | 37.0 [32.5–42.4] | 37.7 [31.6–43.3] | <0.001 | Male sex | 5404 (74.8) | 422 (82.1) | 122 (72.6) | 6007 (75.3) | 0.001 | Known date of HIV diagnosis | 5732 (79.4) | 412 (80.2) | 154 (91.7) | 6368 (79.8) | – |
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| Known start date of HAART ² | 4710 (65.2) | 402 (78.2) | 138 (82.1) | 5319 (66.7) | – | |
| HAART ² at TST ¹ | 592 (39.3) | 3 (30.0) | 12 (31.6) | 644 (40.2) | NS | |
| HAART ² at TB diagnosis | 0 | 60 (57.7) | 57 (54.3) | 127 (57.2) | NS | |
| Ethnicity | 3859 (81.9) | 270 (81.8) | 103 (77.4) | 4286 (81.9) | 0.001 | |
| White | 310 (6.6) | 22 (6.7) | 16 (12.0) | 349 (6.7) | | |
| Black | 289 (6.1) | 8 (2.4) | 5 (3.8) | 305 (5.8) | | |
| Hispanic | 251 (5.3) | 30 (9.1) | 9 (6.8) | 293 (5.6) | | |
| Other | | | | | | |
| Education | 74 (1.7) | 13 (4.3) | 5 (4.1) | 94 (2.0) | <0.001 | |
| Illiterate | 267 (6.2) | 27 (8.9) | 11 (8.9) | 309 (6.5) | | |
| No formal education | 2135 (49.8) | 204 (67.3) | 75 (61.0) | 2452 (51.3) | | |
| Primary | 1205 (28.1) | 53 (17.5) | 28 (22.8) | 1303 (27.3) | | |
| Secondary | 610 (14.2) | 6 (2.0) | 4 (3.3) | 620 (13.0) | | |
| University | | | | | | |
| Socio-economic strata | 1949 (45.5) | 220 (71.7) | 83 (66.9) | 2287 (47.9) | <0.001 | |
| Low | 2141 (50.0) | 85 (27.7) | 41 (33.1) | 2291 (48.0) | | |
| Medium | 190 (4.4) | 2 (0.7) | 0 | 193 (4.0) | | |

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|--|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------|--|
| | High | | | | | |
| Previous incarceration | 945 (23.1) | 163 (57.6) | 32 (27.8) | 1162 (25.6) | <0.001 | |
| Anti-HCV antibodies | 1609 (22.3) | 207 (40.3) | 57 (33.9) | 1906 (23.9) | <0.001 | |
| HbsAg | 264 (3.7) | 19 (2.7) | 9 (5.4) | 293 (3.7) | <0.001 | |
| CD4 cell count at enrolment, median [IQR] ³ | 427 [268–621] | 300 [154–504] | 272 [148–423] | 415 [255–611] | <0.001 | |
| CD4 cell count <200 cells/ μ l at enrolment | 1101 (16.5) | 165 (34.4) | 53 (32.9) | 1343 (18.2) | <0.001 | |
| HIV viral load at enrolment, median [IQR ³] | 91 [49–16000] | 50 [49–7101] | 50 [49–44951] | 80 [49–15988] | NS | |
| Nadir CD4 cell count, median [IQR ³] | 264 [134–431] | 135 [51–259] | 88 [30–212] | 252 [118–418] | <0.001 | |
| Patients with nadir CD4 count <200 cells/ μ l | 2411 (36.1) | 320 (66.8) | 116 (72.0) | 2893 (39.1) | <0.001 | |
| Compared to TST ¹ positive patients who received treatment, those who were TST ¹ positive but did not receive treatment were (39.1 vs 36.8 years, P=0.007) and were less likely to have a history of incarceration (40.9% vs 53.6%, P=0.03). | | | | | | |
| Information on TST ¹ was not available for 4848 patients. Compared with patients with available TST ¹ results, these patients were more likely to have had no education or only primary education (61.8% vs 49.1%), to be of lower socio-economic status (50.5% vs 40.2%) and to have a CD4 cell count of <200 cells/ μ l at enrolment (18.4% vs 14.3%, P=<0.001). | | | | | | |

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| Intervention | Those who received treatment for latent tuberculosis = 229 Isoniazid: 300mg daily, for 9 months | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up varied between participants but was adjusted for in analysis (10 889 person-years in total) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>Active TB was defined as microbiological confirmation of bacilli using culture or polymerase chain reaction. Below results are for patients treated for latent tuberculosis, n= 229.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Univariate analysis Odds ratio (95% confidence interval)</th> <th>P value</th> <th>Multivariate analysis Hazard ratio (95% confidence interval)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age <35 vs. ≥35 years</td> <td>4.6 (1.2–18.1)</td> <td>0.031</td> <td>6.1 (1.1–33.7)</td> <td>0.037</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male sex</td> <td>0.5 (0.1–1.9)</td> <td>NS</td> <td>0.6 (0.1–3.1)</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ethnicity</td> <td>Reference</td> <td>–</td> <td>Reference</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White</td> <td>6.0 (1.4–26.0)</td> <td>0.018</td> <td>2.0 (0.4–10.7)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Black</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>CD4 at registration <200 vs. ≥200 cells/µl</td> <td>5.4 (1.3–22.5)</td> <td>0.021</td> <td>–</td> <td>–</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nadir CD4 <200 vs. ≥200 cells/µl</td> <td>4.1 (1.1–15)</td> <td>0.032</td> <td>5.6 (1.3–23.7)</td> <td>0.018</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Variables that reached statistical significance at univariate level were included in multivariate analysis except for CD4 count at registration.</p> | | | | | | Univariate analysis Odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | P value | Multivariate analysis Hazard ratio (95% confidence interval) | P value | Age <35 vs. ≥35 years | 4.6 (1.2–18.1) | 0.031 | 6.1 (1.1–33.7) | 0.037 | Male sex | 0.5 (0.1–1.9) | NS | 0.6 (0.1–3.1) | NS | Ethnicity | Reference | – | Reference | NS | White | 6.0 (1.4–26.0) | 0.018 | 2.0 (0.4–10.7) | | Black | | | | | CD4 at registration <200 vs. ≥200 cells/µl | 5.4 (1.3–22.5) | 0.021 | – | – | Nadir CD4 <200 vs. ≥200 cells/µl | 4.1 (1.1–15) | 0.032 | 5.6 (1.3–23.7) | 0.018 |
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| Ethnicity | Reference | – | Reference | NS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White | 6.0 (1.4–26.0) | 0.018 | 2.0 (0.4–10.7) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Bibliographic reference | Martínez-Pino, I., Sambeat, M. A., Lacalle-Remigio, J. R., Domingo, P., & VACH Cohort Study Group. (2013). Incidence of tuberculosis in HIV-infected patients in Spain: the impact of treatment for LTBI. <i>The International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease</i>, 17(12), 1545-1551. |
| Source of funding | Supported by a grant from the foundation for AIDS research and Prevention in Spain, the Spanish Ministry of Health. |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Treatment of latent tuberculosis is effective in preventing the development of TB in HIV-infected patients, particularly in those who were TST ¹ positive. Risk of development of active tuberculosis in those treated for latent tuberculosis was higher among cases aged <35 years (hazard ratio 6.14, 95% confidence interval 1.12–33.73) and in those with a nadir CD4 cell count of <200 cells/ μ l (hazard ratio 5.64, 95% confidence interval 1.34–23.70). |
| Abbreviations: | |
| ¹ TST- tuberculin skin test | |
| ² HAART- Highly active anti-retroviral therapy | |
| ³ IQR- Interquartile range | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Pettit, A. C., Bethel, J., Hirsch-Movarman, Y., Colson, P. W., & Sterling, T. R. (2013). Female sex and discontinuation of isoniazid due to adverse effects during the treatment of latent tuberculosis. <i>Journal of Infection</i> , 67(5), 424-432. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were patients receiving isoniazid therapy for the treatment of latent tuberculosis as diagnosed by tuberculin skin test. Data was drawn prospectively from interviews with the patients and then later by reviewing the medical charts of the patients to check for outcomes.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing which factors make a person more at risk of stopping isoniazid therapy due to adverse events.</p> <p>Patients did not necessarily receive the same standard of care. The study was spread across 12 different sites in the USA and Canada, some patients received 9 months of isoniazid others received 6 months. Uncertain how patients were monitored or whether directly observed therapy was used in some cases and not others. Study site was adjusted for in multivariate analysis. There was little information provided on how adherence was recorded (e.g. pill count, urine sampling).</p> <p>Treatment completion was low: 47.2% of participants completed therapy. Comparisons in baseline characteristics were not made between those that accepted treatment and those who refused to initiate therapy.</p> <p>Risk factors for treatment completion and adverse events gathered included: demographics, socioeconomic status, cultural background, immigration status, health history, alcohol and substance abuse. The exit interview obtained information on treatment experiences including adverse events.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was performed using forward stepwise regression. Adjusted relative risk was adjusted for study site, sex and current alcohol use. No other significant factors appear to have been adjusted for.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear and the methods used to record the risk were generally reliable and valid although taken from in-person interviews which may have been subject to recall bias especially the factors of alcohol and substance use.</p> <p>Definition of diagnosis of a failure of treatment due to adverse events was well defined however reasons for treatment default were taken second hand from medical charts which may not have been reliable. Although data was gathered on the adverse events experienced by patients, this study provided no information of which specific adverse event led to discontinuation of isoniazid therapy.</p> |

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|--------------------------------|--|--|---------|---|---------|--|----------------|----------------------------------|--|---------|---|---------|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Follow up did not appear to continue beyond length of treatment (maximum 12 months). 15% of participants were lost to follow up. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | Population: 1323 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>March 2007–September 2008</p> <p>Adults initiating isoniazid for the treatment of latent tuberculosis</p> <p>≥18 years of age</p> <p>Positive TST¹</p> <p>Accepted self-administered isoniazid as treatment</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Incarcerated at the time treatment was offered</p> <p>Received directly observed therapy of latent tuberculosis</p> <p>Previously treated for latent tuberculosis or active tuberculosis</p> <p>Initiated a regimen other than isoniazid for latent tuberculosis</p> <p>Participated in other latent tuberculosis treatment studies</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Characteristic</th> <th>Isoniazid completed n=617 (%)</th> <th>Isoniazid discontinued due to adverse effects n=196 (%)</th> <th>P value</th> <th>Isoniazid discontinued for other reasons n=493 (%)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total n= 1306</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | | Characteristic | Isoniazid completed n=617 (%) | Isoniazid discontinued due to adverse effects n=196 (%) | P value | Isoniazid discontinued for other reasons n=493 (%) | P value | Total n= 1306 | | | | | |
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|---|--|------------|--------|------------|--------|--|
| Age in years—median (IQR ²) | 35 (28–46) | 38 (27–49) | 0.09 | 33 (25–45) | 0.04 | |
| Female sex | 308 (49.9) | 126 (64.3) | <0.001 | 272 (55.2) | 0.09 | |
| Race/ethnicity | 57 (9.2) | 36 (18.4) | <0.001 | 45 (9.3) | <0.001 | |
| White, non-hispanic | 142 (23.0) | 28 (14.3) | | 151 (31.1) | | |
| | 215 (34.8) | 68 (34.7) | | 99 (20.4) | | |
| Black, non-hispanic | 162 (26.3) | 38 (19.4) | | 162 (33.3) | | |
| Asian | 41 (6.6) | 26 (13.3) | | 36 (7.3) | | |
| Hispanic | | | | | | |
| Other/unknown | | | | | | |
| US born | 139 (22.5) | 54 (27.5) | 0.15 | 153 (31.0) | 0.002 | |
| High school or equivalent education | 435 (70.5) | 152 (77.5) | 0.05 | 337 (68.4) | 0.47 | |
| Currently homeless | 10 (1.6) | 2 (1.0) | 0.54 | 28 (5.7) | <0.001 | |
| Employed | 318 (51.5) | 112 (57.1) | 0.17 | 247 (50.1) | 0.67 | |
| Healthcare worker | 39 (6.3) | 16 (8.2) | 0.37 | 33 (6.7) | 0.81 | |
| Household income <\$20,000 | 235 (51.5) | 112 (57.1) | 0.17 | 247 (50.1) | 0.67 | |
| Jail >30 days in last 2 years | 9 (1.5) | 3 (1.5) | 0.94 | 29 (5.9) | <0.001 | |

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|--|--|------------|------|------------|--------|--|
| No health insurance | 217 (35.5) | 76 (39.4) | 0.32 | 228 (47.0) | <0.001 | |
| Current daily prescription medication | 208 (33.8) | 75 (38.3) | 0.25 | 148 (30.2) | 0.22 | |
| Psychiatric hospitalization or prescription medication | 46 (7.5) | 21 (10.7) | 0.16 | 45 (9.2) | 0.38 | |
| HIV infection | 17 (2.8) | 2 (1.0) | 0.16 | 12 (2.5) | 0.85 | |
| Alcohol use | 378 (61.3) | 126 (64.3) | 0.45 | 335 (67.9) | 0.02 | |
| Any ever | 186 (30.1) | 74 (37.8) | 0.04 | 177 (35.9) | 0.05 | |
| Any current | 20 (3.2) | 6 (3.1) | 0.90 | 34 (6.9) | 0.007 | |
| Problematic ever | 8 (1.3) | 3 (1.5) | 0.80 | 14 (2.8) | 0.08 | |
| Problematic current | 0 (0–2) | 1 (0–4) | 0.03 | 1 (0–3) | 0.16 | |
| Past 30 days—median (IQR ²) | | | | | | |
| Substance use | 102 (16.5) | 32 (16.3) | 0.74 | 134 (27.2) | <0.001 | |
| Any ever | 19 (3.1) | 12 (6.1) | 0.05 | 53 (10.7) | <0.001 | |
| Any current | 22 (3.6) | 10 (5.1) | 0.33 | 65 (13.2) | <0.001 | |
| Problematic ever | 14 (2.3) | 7 (3.6) | 0.32 | 41 (8.3) | <0.001 | |
| Problematic current | | | | | | |

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| Intervention | <p>Participants initiated an isoniazid course:</p> <p>Isoniazid: daily, for 9 months (96.4% of treatment completers)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Isoniazid: daily, for 6 months (3.6% of treatment completers)</p> <p>52 participants switched to a rifampicin-based regime due to adverse effects on isoniazid.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up did not extend beyond treatment period | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA and Canada | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>A participant was determined to have discontinued treatment due to adverse effects if the reason for stopping noted in the medical chart was due to adverse effects. Below is the relative risk of isoniazid discontinuation due to toxicity:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Characteristic n=813</th> <th>Unadjusted relative risk</th> <th>P value</th> <th>Adjusted relative risk</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age (in years)</td> <td>1.01 (0.99–1.03)</td> <td>0.40</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Female sex</td> <td>1.57 (1.22–2.02)</td> <td><0.001</td> <td>1.67 (1.32–2.10)</td> <td><0.001</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White, non-Hispanic race</td> <td>1.74 (1.14–2.64)</td> <td>0.01</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>US born</td> <td>1.22 (1.06–1.41)</td> <td>0.005</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>High school education or equivalent</td> <td>1.33 (1.02–1.73)</td> <td>0.03</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Currently homeless</td> <td>0.69 (0.17–2.77)</td> <td>0.60</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Characteristic n=813 | Unadjusted relative risk | P value | Adjusted relative risk | P value | Age (in years) | 1.01 (0.99–1.03) | 0.40 | | | Female sex | 1.57 (1.22–2.02) | <0.001 | 1.67 (1.32–2.10) | <0.001 | White, non-Hispanic race | 1.74 (1.14–2.64) | 0.01 | | | US born | 1.22 (1.06–1.41) | 0.005 | | | High school education or equivalent | 1.33 (1.02–1.73) | 0.03 | | | Currently homeless | 0.69 (0.17–2.77) | 0.60 | | |
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| Age (in years) | 1.01 (0.99–1.03) | 0.40 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Female sex | 1.57 (1.22–2.02) | <0.001 | 1.67 (1.32–2.10) | <0.001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White, non-Hispanic race | 1.74 (1.14–2.64) | 0.01 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| US born | 1.22 (1.06–1.41) | 0.005 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| High school education or equivalent | 1.33 (1.02–1.73) | 0.03 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Employed | 1.19 (1.00–1.42) | 0.06 | | |
| | Healthcare worker | 1.23 (1.02–1.47) | 0.03 | | |
| | Household income ≤\$20,000 | 0.80 (0.64–1.01) | 0.06 | | |
| | Jail >30 days in the last 2 years | 1.04 (0.32–3.40) | 0.95 | | |
| | No health insurance | 1.14 (0.78–1.65) | 0.51 | | |
| | Current daily prescription medications | 1.16 (0.87–1.54) | 0.31 | | |
| | Psychiatric hospitalisation or prescription medication | 1.33 (0.96–1.82) | 0.08 | | |
| | HIV infection | 0.43 (0.13–1.46) | 0.17 | | |
| | Current alcohol use | 1.29 (1.00–1.66) | 0.05 | 1.41 (1.13–1.77) | 0.003 |
| | Current substance use | 1.65 (0.93–2.90) | 0.08 | | |
| | Adjusted relative risk is adjusted for study site, sex and current alcohol use. No other significant factors appear to have been adjusted for. | | | | |
| Source of funding | Supported by the Tuberculosis Epidemiologic Studies Consortium and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: In multivariate analysis, female sex (risk rate 1.67, 95% Confidence interval 1.32–2.10, p<0.001) and current alcohol use (risk rate 1.41, 95% confidence interval 1.13–1.77, p=0.003) were independently associated with isoniazid | | | | |

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Abbreviations:

¹TST- tuberculin skin test

²IQR- Interquartile range

A.1.25 DiPerri G, Micciolo R (1993)

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| Bibliographic reference | Di Perri, G., Micciolo, R., Vento, S., Cruciani, M., Marocco, S., Carlotto, A., ... & Concia, E. (1993). Risk of reactivation of tuberculosis in the course of human immunodeficiency virus infection. <i>The European journal of medicine</i> , 2(5), 264-268. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population matches population of interest. Participants were individuals infected with HIV and diagnosed by tuberculin skin test to have latent tuberculosis. The participants were seen at the same site in Verona, Italy. There was no indication that any of these participants were treated for latent infection of TB. 40 out of the 44 participants were IV drug users.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing which factors make a person more at risk of developing active tuberculosis following infection with HIV and latent infection of tuberculosis. However this paper seemed to focus upon immunological evaluation of patients with HIV rather than specific people groups.</p> <p>Participants received the same standard of care in regard to monitoring however immunological evaluation was performed at baseline and subsequently at 3-6 month intervals, leaving some uncertainty about consistency of monitoring tests. No other treatment appears to have been given however 10 patients were enrolled in a methadone maintenance programme during the study.</p> <p>Comparisons in baseline characteristics were not made between those that were enrolled in the study and those who refused.</p> <p>Risk factors for reactivation of tuberculosis gathered included: Total lymphocyte count, CD4 lymphocyte count and serum β-2 microglobulin levels.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was performed using the Cox model. However the study has failed to adjust for external risk factors that may be relevant such as malnutrition, alcoholism, homelessness and drug dependence.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear and the methods used to record the risk were valid and reliable.</p> <p>Definition of diagnosis of active and latent tuberculosis was clear and methods used for diagnosis were valid and reliable.</p> <p>Follow up was for 2 years. The study lost no subjects to follow up.</p> <p>The population studied was small: 44 participants were included for analysis.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 44 |

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|--|---|----------------|------------|----------------|---|---|---------------------|--|--|--|--|-------------------|----------|----------|------|------|
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <p>PPD¹ positive</p> <p>HIV infected</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Previous clinical episodes of tuberculosis</p> <p>BCG vaccination</p> <p>Clinical or instrumental evidence of active tuberculosis</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <p>Population consisted of: 37 males and 7 females; 40 IV drug abusers and 4 homosexuals; aged 19–46 years (mean 26); No signs of developing AIDS-related major pathologies; Oral candidiasis present in 5 subjects; seborrhoeic dermatitis present in 7 subjects; minor neurological abnormalities were recorded in 3 individuals; 10 subjects enrolled in a methadone maintenance programme and 40 drug abusers.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | No treatment administered for latent tuberculosis infection. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up was 2 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Italy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Results of multivariate analysis:</p> <p>A participant was determined to have developed active tuberculosis if microbiologically confirmed.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Variable</th> <th>Estimation</th> <th>Standard error</th> <th>Z</th> <th>P</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Univariate analysis</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total lymphocytes</td> <td>-0.01507</td> <td>0.000651</td> <td>2.31</td> <td>0.02</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Variable | Estimation | Standard error | Z | P | Univariate analysis | | | | | Total lymphocytes | -0.01507 | 0.000651 | 2.31 | 0.02 |
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| | CD4 cell count | -0.004635 | 0.001416 | 3.27 | 0.001 |
| | β-2 microglobulin | 0.006601 | 0.002032 | 3.25 | 0.001 |
| Multivariate analysis | | | | | |
| | CD4 cell count | -0.003686 | 0.001515 | 2043 | <0.01 |
| | β-2 microglobulin | 0.004974 | 0.002540 | 1.96 | 0.05 |
| Analysis is adjusted for total lymphocytes, CD4 cell count and β-2 microglobulin. No other significant factors appear to have been adjusted for. | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: After multivariate analysis only CD4 cell count and β-2 microglobulin serum levels retained statistical significance in the prognosis of developing active tuberculosis. Tuberculosis in this setting most often reactivates only when immune surveillance has fallen to an identifiable level. Starting prophylaxis in HIV-infected subjects only when CD4 cells have dropped below the value of 500/mm ³ seems to be a more fruitfull option than the currently adopted strategy, which recommends time-limited (12 months) administration of daily isoniazid to all PPD ¹ positive HIV infected subjects regardless of their immunological status. | | | | |

Abbreviations:

¹PPD- purified protein derivative

A.1.26 Antonucci G, Girardi E et al (1995)

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| Bibliographic reference | Antonucci, G., Girardi, E., Ravaglione, M. C., Ippolito, G., Almi, P., Angarano, G., ... & Viale, P. (1995). Risk Factors for Tuberculosis in HIV-Infected Persons: A Prospective Cohort Study. <i>Jama</i> , 274(2), 143-148. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest. Participants were individuals infected with HIV and included those who were not tuberculin skin test positive or who were found to be anergic, however data for those with latent tuberculosis was separable. The participants were seen over 23 hospitals in Italy. None of these participants were treated for latent infection of TB in the past 18 months.</p> <p>Question is relevant; discussing which factors make a person more at risk of developing active tuberculosis following infection with HIV; this was separable for latent tuberculosis infected participants. This paper took into account both immunological evaluation of patients with HIV and clinical and demographic features of participants.</p> <p>The same standard of care in regard to monitoring was performed. Unclear if there were any further differences in care across the 23 hospital sites. During the study 104 subjects started preventive therapy for tuberculosis however this was only completed for 23 participants.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics were recorded. Comparisons in baseline characteristics were not made between those that were enrolled in the study and those who refused.</p> <p>Risk factors for development of active tuberculosis gathered included: age, sex, country of birth, place of residence, HIV transmission category, history of active tuberculosis, HIV clinical status and time of beginning preventive therapy for tuberculosis or antiretroviral therapy for HIV (if applicable), Medical history, physical examination, and CD4 count.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was performed using the Cox proportional hazards model. All variables significantly associated with the development of tuberculosis in the univariate analysis were adjusted for.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear and the methods used to record the risk were valid and reliable.</p> <p>Definition of diagnosis of active and latent tuberculosis was clear and methods used for diagnosis were valid and reliable.</p> <p>Follow up differed between participants over the study period (mean follow up 91 weeks). The study lost 27.4% of patients to follow up. Subjects who were unavailable for follow up had a significantly higher CD4 lymphocyte count than those who completed the study which could potentially lead to an overestimation of the risk of tuberculosis.</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 2695 (197 tuberculin skin test positive) |

| Bibliographic reference | Antonucci, G., Girardi, E., Ravaglione, M. C., Ippolito, G., Almi, P., Angarano, G., ... & Viale, P. (1995). Risk Factors for Tuberculosis in HIV-Infected Persons: A Prospective Cohort Study. <i>Jama</i>, 274(2), 143-148. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Patient characteristics | <p>Included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≥18 years of age HIV infected October 1, 1990–April 30, 1991 <p>Excluded</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Episode of active tuberculosis in the previous 18 months Started a course of antituberculosis drugs in the previous 18 months Had completed a full course of isoniazid preventive therapy in the previous 18 months Died, lost to follow up or developed tuberculosis within the first 4 weeks of study <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Subjects with feature, No. (%)</th> <th>No. with tuberculosis</th> <th>Incidence per 100 person-years (95% Confidence interval)</th> <th>Crude rate ratio (95% Confidence interval)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age, y</td> <td>308 (11.4)</td> <td>9</td> <td>2.01 (0.91–3.80)</td> <td>1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>18–24</td> <td>1133 (42.1)</td> <td>33</td> <td>2.08 (1.38–2.86)</td> <td>1.04 (0.48–2.48)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25–29</td> <td>747 (27.7)</td> <td>25</td> <td>2.46 (1.59–3.63)</td> <td>1.23 (0.55–2.99)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30–34</td> <td>507 (18.8)</td> <td>16</td> <td>2.51 (1.43–4.07)</td> <td>1.25 (0.52–3.21)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>≥35</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sex</td> <td>723 (26.8)</td> <td>21</td> <td>1.98 (1.22–3.02)</td> <td>1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Female</td> <td>1972 (73.2)</td> <td>62</td> <td>2.36 (1.81–3.03)</td> <td>1.20 (0.72–2.07)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | Subjects with feature, No. (%) | No. with tuberculosis | Incidence per 100 person-years (95% Confidence interval) | Crude rate ratio (95% Confidence interval) | Age, y | 308 (11.4) | 9 | 2.01 (0.91–3.80) | 1.00 | 18–24 | 1133 (42.1) | 33 | 2.08 (1.38–2.86) | 1.04 (0.48–2.48) | 25–29 | 747 (27.7) | 25 | 2.46 (1.59–3.63) | 1.23 (0.55–2.99) | 30–34 | 507 (18.8) | 16 | 2.51 (1.43–4.07) | 1.25 (0.52–3.21) | ≥35 | | | | | Sex | 723 (26.8) | 21 | 1.98 (1.22–3.02) | 1.00 | Female | 1972 (73.2) | 62 | 2.36 (1.81–3.03) | 1.20 (0.72–2.07) |
| | Subjects with feature, No. (%) | No. with tuberculosis | Incidence per 100 person-years (95% Confidence interval) | Crude rate ratio (95% Confidence interval) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age, y | 308 (11.4) | 9 | 2.01 (0.91–3.80) | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 25–29 | 747 (27.7) | 25 | 2.46 (1.59–3.63) | 1.23 (0.55–2.99) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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|-----------------------------|---|----|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| | Male | | | | |
| HIV transmission category | 1953 (72.5) | 64 | 2.42 (1.87–3.10) | 1.00 | |
| | 366 (13.6) | 10 | 1.81 (0.87–3.33) | 0.75 (0.34–1.46) | |
| Injecting drug users | 267 (9.9) | 7 | 1.96 (0.79–4.04) | 0.81 (0.31–1.76) | |
| Heterosexual contacts | 109 (4.0) | 2 | 1.47 (0.18–5.31) | 0.61 (0.07–2.28) | |
| Homosexual/bisexual | | | | | |
| Other/undefined | | | | | |
| Place of residence in Italy | 1103 (41.0) | 34 | 2.25 (1.56–3.14) | 1.00 | |
| | 1098 (40.7) | 30 | 2.01 (1.36–2.87) | 0.89 (0.53–1.50) | |
| North | 494 (18.3) | 19 | 2.79 (1.68–4.36) | 1.24 (0.67–2.24) | |
| Center | | | | | |
| South | | | | | |
| History of Tuberculosis | 2663 (98.8) | 79 | 2.16 (1.71–2.70) | 1.00 | |
| No | 32 (1.2) | 4 | 11.34 (3.09–29.03) | 5.29 (1.41–14.09) | |
| Yes | | | | | |
| Antiretroviral therapy | 1475 (54.7) | 37 | 1.90 (1.35–2.65) | 1.00 | |
| No | 1220 (45.3) | 46 | 2.61 (1.91–3.48) | 1.36 (0.86–2.15) | |
| Yes | | | | | |
| CDC clinical class | 1570 (58.2) | 33 | 1.36 (0.94–1.92) | 1.00 | |
| II–III | 608 (22.6) | 27 | 3.45 (2.27–5.01) | 2.56 (1.12–6.04) | |

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| | IV non-AIDS | 517 (19.2) | 23 | 4.71 (3.55–6.13) | 6.73 (3.48–14.23) |
| | AIDS | | | | |
| | CD4 lymphocytes, x 10 ⁹ /L | 1025 (38.0) | 11 | 0.70 (0.35–1.25) | 1.00 |
| | >0.35 | 634 (23.6) | 17 | 1.79 (1.04–2.87) | 2.56 (1.13–6.04) |
| | 0.20–0.35 | 1036 (38.4) | 55 | 4.71 (3.55–6.13) | 6.73 (3.48–14.23) |
| | <0.20 | | | | |
| | Delayed-type hypersensitivity skin test status | 849 (31.5) | 6 | 0.45 (0.16–0.97) | 1.00 |
| | | 1649 (61.2) | 62 | 3.00 (2.30–3.85) | 6.66 (2.92–18.99) |
| | Tuberculin-negative nonanergic | 197 (7.3) | 15 | 5.42 (3.04–8.95) | 12.00 (4.46–38.22) |
| | Anergic | | | | |
| | Tuberculin-positive | | | | |
| Intervention | During study period 104 subjects started preventive therapy for tuberculosis (34 were tuberculin-positive and 70 were anergic at baseline); only 29 subjects completed a 6-month course of preventive therapy. | | | | |
| | Otherwise unclear which drug regimen was prescribed. | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Follow up differed between participants over the study period (mean follow up 91 weeks). | | | | |
| Location | Italy | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Results of multivariate analysis: Below is the incidence of tuberculosis by baseline tuberculin skin test status and CD4 lymphocyte count (only separable data for latent tuberculosis) | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Antonucci, G., Girardi, E., Ravaglione, M. C., Ippolito, G., Almi, P., Angarano, G., ... & Viale, P. (1995). Risk Factors for Tuberculosis in HIV-Infected Persons: A Prospective Cohort Study. Jama, 274(2), 143-148. | | | |
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| | No. with tuberculosis/Total | Incidence per 100 person-years (95% Confidence interval) | Hazard ratio (95% Confidence interval) | |
| Tuberculin-positive | | | | |
| CD4 >0.35 x 10 ⁹ /L | 4/109 | 2.59 (0.70–6.62) | 5.49 (1.32–27.09) | |
| CD4 0.20–0.35 x 10 ⁹ /L | 5/56 | 6.54 (2.12–15.25) | 14.78 (3.49–62.63) | |
| CD4 <0.20 x 10 ⁹ /L | 6/32 | 13.33 (4.89–29.01) | 31.18 (7.62–127.50) | |
| Hazard ratio adjusted for tuberculin skin test status, CD4 lymphocyte count, history of tuberculosis, Centers for Disease Control clinical class, and the interaction term between tuberculin skin test status and CD4 lymphocyte count. | | | | |
| Source of funding | Supported by Ministero della Sanita-Progetto AIDS grants. | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Risk of tuberculosis can be more precisely quantified by jointly considering skin test reactivity and CD4 lymphocyte count. Incidence of active tuberculosis increased with decreasing levels of CD4 lymphocytes in the three groups of subjects with different skin test responsiveness; (including those who were tuberculin skin test positive at baseline). | | | |
| Abbreviations: | | | | |

A.1.27 Gessner BD, Weiss NS (1998)

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| Bibliographic reference | Gessner, B. D., Weiss, N. S., & Nolan, C. M. (1998). Risk factors for pediatric tuberculosis infection and disease after household exposure to adult index cases in Alaska. <i>The Journal of pediatrics</i> , 132(3), 509-513. |
| Study type | Cohort |
| Study outline | <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest. Participants were children with or without tuberculosis infection who were household contacts of an adult infected with tuberculosis, however data was separable for those children with latent infections.</p> <p>Question is mostly relevant; discussing which factors make a child higher risk of developing active tuberculosis after latent infection but also what factors make a child of higher risk of latent infection in the first place, data was separable for the former question of interest.</p> <p>It was stated that once diagnosed infected children were treated however it is unclear under what regimen they were treated for latent tuberculosis and whether all received the same standard of care. Unclear if the 30 villages in the area performed the same level of monitoring or care for the children and the infected adults.</p> <p>Few baseline characteristics are reported</p> <p>Risk factors for development of active tuberculosis gathered included: child's age, race, gender, adult's age and gender, number of children per household and exposure of the child to a parent with active disease. For the adult: level of sputum smear and culture positivity, presence of cavity chest lesion on x-ray, the location of the chest lesion (lobe), the presence of cough and a history of tuberculosis infection or active disease, and the season for which treatment began for the adult.</p> <p>Multivariate analysis was performed using backwards multiple regression models.</p> <p>Definition of risk factors was clear however the methods used to observe risk factors are unlikely to be reliable as data was recorded retrospectively.</p> <p>Definition of diagnosis of active and latent tuberculosis was not stated in full and the methods used to observe risk factors are unlikely to be reliable as data was recorded retrospectively.</p> <p>Observation period was for 7 years between 1987 and 1994. Unclear if length of observation was the same for all children (or if adjustments were made).</p> |
| Number of patients | Population: 282 |
| Patient characteristics | Included: |

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| Bibliographic reference | Gessner, B. D., Weiss, N. S., & Nolan, C. M. (1998). Risk factors for pediatric tuberculosis infection and disease after household exposure to adult index cases in Alaska. <i>The Journal of pediatrics</i> , 132(3), 509-513. |
| | Medical records from 1987–1994 |
| | Adult aged 15 years or older with sputum positive for mycobacterium tuberculosis living in a house with at least one person younger than 15 years. |
| | Excluded |
| | Adults without pulmonary tuberculosis |
| | No positive sputum culture in adults with tuberculosis |
| | Child aged ≥15 years |
| | No contact form available |
| | No tuberculin skin test recorded in child |
| | Positive result prior to the study documented |
| | Baseline characteristics: |
| | 25% of children younger than 15 years living in a house with an adult who had sputum positive for M. tuberculosis became infected. The age of infected children ranged from 1 month to 14 years (median 7.2 years). Resided in 30 villages located in 15 of the 27 census areas in the state. Tuberculin skin test reaction size varied from 0 (3 children) to 38mm (median, 15). |
| Intervention | It was stated that once diagnosed infected children were treated however it is unclear under what regimen they were treated for latent tuberculosis and whether all received the same standard of care. |
| Length of follow up | Observation period was for 7 years between 1987 and 1994. Unclear if length of observation was the same for all children (or if adjustments were made). |
| Location | Alaska |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Results of multivariate analysis: Below is the risk factors for progression to active disease among infected childhood contacts of adults with active |

| Bibliographic reference | Gessner, B. D., Weiss, N. S., & Nolan, C. M. (1998). Risk factors for pediatric tuberculosis infection and disease after household exposure to adult index cases in Alaska. <i>The Journal of pediatrics, 132</i>(3), 509-513. | | | |
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| | pulmonary tuberculosis in Alaska, 1987–1994. Active and latent disease is diagnosed according to the American Thoracic Society standards of 1990. | | | |
| | Potential risk factor | Number with disease/number with risk factor (%) | Relative risk from univariate analysis (95% confidence interval) | Odds ratio from multivariate analysis (adjusted 95% confidence interval) |
| | Left upper lobe lesion in adult | 20/34 (59) | 3.1 (1.5–6.4) | 12 (2.2–65) |
| | Alaska native child | 25/55 (45) | 3.6 (1.0–13.7) | 8.9 (1.1–73) |
| | Adult is parent of child | 17/35 (49) | 1.8 (0.9–3.3) | 8.3 (1.6–44) |
| | Age of child | Continuous | Continuous | 1.5 (1.1–2.0) |
| | 3 or 4+ culture positive adults | 22/46 (48) | 2.3 (1.0–5.3) | – |
| | 3 or 4+ smear positive adults | 19/36 (53) | 2.2 (1.1–4.3) | – |
| | Male adult | 14/45 (31) | 0.6 (0.4–1.1) | – |
| | Variables examining risk factors for infection and for active disease significant at the 90% confidence level after initial regression analysis were entered into the final regression models. | | | |
| Source of funding | Unclear source of funding | | | |
| Comments | SUMMARY: Among the 71 children in whom infection developed, Alaska Natives and younger children were more likely to progress to active tuberculosis, as were children exposed to a parent who had active tuberculosis and children exposed to any adult who had a left upper lobe chest lesion. | | | |
| Abbreviations: | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Menzies D, Long R, Trajman A, Dion MJ, Yang J, Al Jahdali H, Memish Z, Khan K, Gardam M, Hoeppner V, Benedetti A, Schwartzman K. 2008 Nov 18;149(10):689-97. Adverse events with 4 months of rifampin therapy or 9 months of isoniazid therapy for latent tuberculosis infection: a randomized trial. |
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A.2 RQ II: For people with latent TB infection, is a drug treatment regimen effective in preventing the development of active TB in comparison with placebo? If so, which regimen is the most effective in preventing the development of active TB?

A.2.1 Menzies D, Long R et al (2008)

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| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>An appropriate method of randomisation and allocation concealment was used. Randomisation and allocation was controlled by a computer programme.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at the baseline</p> <p>Unclear if comparison groups received the same care apart from intervention studied since treatment was received at multiple sites in different countries.</p> <p>Blinding: This study was an open-label study, neither the clinicians nor patients were blinded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A blinded independent panel reviewed all possible adverse events in an attempt to eliminate bias in attribution or grading of adverse events • Hepatic changes were diagnosed on the basis of laboratory results and were graded using a standardized classification. <p>There was statistical difference in the number of participants that did not complete treatment within each group. Unclear if there were systematic differences between groups in terms of those for whom no outcome data was available. Groups were comparable for number for which no outcome data was available.</p> <p>Follow up beyond treatment period is not specified.</p> <p>Investigator blinding: once 75% of the planned total sample size had been randomly assigned, a planned interim analysis was performed revealing to the blinded data and safety monitoring board that the frequency of serious adverse events was significantly lower in one trial group. Once unblinded the board recommended discontinuation of enrolment earlier than planned.</p> <p>The study used a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomised= 847</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 months of isoniazid: 427 patients • 4 months of rifampicin: 420 patients <p>Outcome data for serious adverse events available for = 847</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 months of rifampicin group: 418 patients • 9 months of isoniazid: 421 patients <p>Outcome data for completion of therapy was available for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 months of rifampicin group: 420 patients • 9 months of isoniazid: 427 patients |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Patients taken from sites in Canada, Brazil and Saudi Arabia</p> <p>Inclusion:</p> <p>Aged 18 or older,</p> <p>Documented tuberculin skin test (PPD) meeting criteria for a positive result.</p> |

| | <p>Exclusion:</p> <p>Contacts of rifampin or isoniazid resistant cases, Allergic to either medication Taking concomitant medications that could have significant potential drug interactions.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Characteristic</th><th>4 Months rifampicin (n=420), n (%)</th><th>9 Months isoniazid (n=427), n (%)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Age 18-34 y ≥35 y</td><td>229 (55) 191 (45)</td><td>242 (57) 185 (43)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sex Male Female</td><td>218 (52) 201 (48)</td><td>228 (53) 199 (47)</td></tr> <tr> <td>TST size 5-9 mm 10-14 mm ≥15mm</td><td>23 (6) 150 (36) 247 (59)</td><td>20 (5) 132 (31) 275 (64)</td></tr> <tr> <td>History of BCG vaccination Yes No Unknown</td><td>224 (54) 101 (24) 95 (33)</td><td>199 (47) 121 (28) 107 (25)</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | Characteristic | 4 Months rifampicin (n=420), n (%) | 9 Months isoniazid (n=427), n (%) | Age 18-34 y ≥35 y | 229 (55) 191 (45) | 242 (57) 185 (43) | Sex Male Female | 218 (52) 201 (48) | 228 (53) 199 (47) | TST size 5-9 mm 10-14 mm ≥15mm | 23 (6) 150 (36) 247 (59) | 20 (5) 132 (31) 275 (64) | History of BCG vaccination Yes No Unknown | 224 (54) 101 (24) 95 (33) | 199 (47) 121 (28) 107 (25) |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Characteristic | 4 Months rifampicin (n=420), n (%) | 9 Months isoniazid (n=427), n (%) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age 18-34 y ≥35 y | 229 (55) 191 (45) | 242 (57) 185 (43) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex Male Female | 218 (52) 201 (48) | 228 (53) 199 (47) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TST size 5-9 mm 10-14 mm ≥15mm | 23 (6) 150 (36) 247 (59) | 20 (5) 132 (31) 275 (64) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| History of BCG vaccination Yes No Unknown | 224 (54) 101 (24) 95 (33) | 199 (47) 121 (28) 107 (25) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | 9- month regimen of daily isoniazid Dose: 5 mg/kg, up to 300 mg/d All patients seen on an outpatient basis. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | 4- month regimen of daily rifampicin Dose: 10mg/kg, up to 600 mg/d All patients seen on an outpatient basis. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Could continue until a month after treatment regimen finishes | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Tuberculosis clinics located in university hospitals in Canada, Brazil and Saudi Arabia. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Adverse events: (Primary outcome: Grade 3/4 adverse events) Number to experience hepatotoxicity, defined as liver aminotransferase levels that increased to 3/5 to 10 times the upper limit of normal in the presence of compatible symptoms (grade 3) or ≥10 time the upper limit of normal (grade 4): n(%) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4- month rifampicin group = 3 of 420 (0.7) • 9- month isoniazid group = 16 of 427 (3.8) • Risk difference (95% CI) = -3 (-5 to -1) • i.e. statistically significant <p>Number to experience rash (grade 1 or 2): n%</p> <p>Number to experience rash: n (%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4- month rifampin group = 9 of 420 (2.1) • 9- month isoniazid group = 5 of 427 (1.2) • Risk difference (95% CI) = 1 (-1 to 3) i.e. not statistically significant. • Gastro intestinal intolerance • 4- month rifampin group = 1 of 420 (0.2) • 9- month isoniazid group = 2 of 427 (0.5) <p>Adherence:</p> <p>Number to complete therapy, defined as taking more than 80% of doses within a maximum of 150 days for 4 months of rifampicin or 301 days for 9 months of isoniazid. n (%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4- month rifampicin group = 328 of 420 (78) • 9- month isoniazid group = 255 of 427 (60) • Risk difference (95% CI) = 18 (12 to 24) • i.e. statistically significant. |
| Source of funding | The Canadian Institute of Health Research |
| Comments | |

A.2.2 Samandari,T., Agizew,T.B., et al. (2011)

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| Bibliographic reference | Samandari,T., Agizew,T.B., et al. 6-month versus 36-month isoniazid preventive treatment for tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection in Botswana: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial. Lancet, 2011 377 (9777) 1588-98. | | |
| Study type | RCT | | |
| Study quality | <p>Population does not exactly match the population of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuberculin skin test negative patients were also enrolled however subgroup data is available. <p>Intervention matches the intervention of interest.</p> <p>Appropriate method of randomisation included: computer generated randomisation list. Allocation concealed.</p> <p>Double blind: clinicians and patients blinded; data and safety monitoring board, statistician and drug packaging company were unblinded. Investigators were blind to participant's exposure. Unclear if investigators were blinded for other confounding factors.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline</p> <p>Unclear if groups were comparable for treatment completion. Groups had a similar availability of outcome data.</p> <p>Follow up: no follow up beyond treatment period (3 years)</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was used and a valid and reliable method employed to determine outcome.</p> | | |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomized 1,995.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> receiving 6 months Isoniazid- 989 receiving 36 months of Isoniazid- 1,006 | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Age ≥18 years</p> <p>HIV infection</p> <p>Attendance of one of eight government clinics in Botswana</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Symptoms of: Cough, weight loss, night sweats</p> <p>Other acute illness</p> <p>Previous isoniazid preventive therapy</p> <p>TB treatment within the past 3 years</p> <p>Neutrophil count of fewer than 1.0×10^9 cells per L</p> <p>Abnormal chest radiograph without antecedent tuberculosis or pneumonia.</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> | | |
| | | 6 months isoniazid n (%) | 36 months isoniazid. N (%) |

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| Bibliographic reference | Samandari,T., Agizew,T.B., et al. 6-month versus 36-month isoniazid preventive treatment for tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection in Botswana: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial. Lancet, 2011 377 (9777) 1588-98. | | |
| | Women/men | 721/268 (73/27) | 715/291 (72/28) |
| | History of tuberculosis | 31 (3) | 43 (4) |
| | BCG scar present | 773 (78) | 787 (78) |
| | Tuberculin skin test <5mm (negative) ≥5mm (positive) | 729 (74) 216 (22) | 722 (72) 252 (25) |
| | Antiretroviral therapy Before enrolment By month 36 | 19 (2) 463 (47) | 32 (3) 483 (48) |
| Intervention | <p>For individuals weighing 30-49 kg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300mg per day for 6 months • Supplementation with 25 mg vitamin B6 for full treatment period <p>For individuals weighing ≥ 50kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 400mg per day for 6 months (this was later changed to 300mg)¹ • Supplementation with 25mg vitamin B6 for full treatment period <p>Following the initial 6 months of open label isoniazid, these patients were switched to a placebo for the remaining 30 months period.</p> | | |
| Comparison | <p>For individuals weighing 30-49 kg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300mg per day for 36 months • Supplementation with 25 mg vitamin B6 <p>For individuals weighing ≥ 50kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 400mg per day for 36 months (this was later changed to 300mg)¹ • Supplementation with 25mg vitamin B6 | | |
| Length of follow up | No follow up beyond treatment period (3 years) | | |
| Location | Government HIV care clinics in Botswana | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of active tuberculosis</p> <p>Defined as clinical presentation consistent with tuberculosis and response to anti-tuberculosis therapy.</p> <p>Incident disease was categorised as:</p> | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Samandari,T., Agizew,T.B., et al. 6-month versus 36-month isoniazid preventive treatment for tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection in Botswana: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial. Lancet, 2011 377 (9777) 1588-98. |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “definite” if one or more cultures were positive for tuberculosis and speciated as M. tuberculosis or if two or more sputum smears were positive for acid-fast bacilli. • “probable” if one sputum smear or one biopsy specimen was positive for acid fast bacilli. • “possible” if smears or cultures were negative or not done. <p>In tuberculin skin test positive patients:</p> <p>Number of definite, probable and possible tuberculosis cases: (rate per 100 person years)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 month Isoniazid group: 13 (2.22) • 36 month isoniazid group: 4 (0.57) • Hazard ratio (95% CI): 0.26 (0.09-0.80) <p>Number of definite and probable tuberculosis cases: (rate)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 month Isoniazid group: 12 of 216 (2.05) • 36 month isoniazid group: 4 of 252 (0.57) • Hazard ratio (95% CI): 0.28 (0.09-0.87) <p>• In those who actually started the second masked phase of the trial (n=1655):</p> <p>Number of definite and probable tuberculosis cases: (rate)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 month Isoniazid group: 10 (2.30) • 36 month isoniazid group: 1 (0.19) • Hazard ratio (95% CI): 0.09 (0.01-0.67) |
| | <p>Mortality</p> <p>Number of deaths: (rate per 100 person years)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 month isoniazid group: 13 of 216 (2.22) • 36 month isoniazid group: 5 of 252 (0.71) • Hazard ratio (95% CI): 0.32 (0.11-0.90) <p>In those who actually started the masked phase of the trial (n=1655)</p> <p>Number of deaths: (rate)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 month isoniazid group: 9 (2.07) • 36 month isoniazid group: 3 (0.58) • Hazard ratio (95% CI): 0.28 (0.08-1.03) |
| | <p>Hepatitis</p> <p>No subgroup data available for rates of hepatitis in patients that were TST positive.</p> |

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| Bibliographic reference | Samandari,T., Agizew,T.B., et al. 6-month versus 36-month isoniazid preventive treatment for tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection in Botswana: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial. Lancet, 2011 377 (9777) 1588-98. |
| Source of funding | US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and US Agency for International Development |
| Comments | This publication provided data specifically for TST positive patients (with regards to the incidence of mortality and active tuberculosis however data was not split into subgroups for the incidence of hepatitis. Should indirect evidence be required this paper could provide a good source of additional data. |
| ¹ All patients in both treatment arms ultimately received 300mg daily doses as a result of changes in national guidelines at the time of trial. Abbreviations: TST- tuberculin skin test | |

A.2.3 Halsey,N.A., Coberly,J.S., (1998)

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| Bibliographic reference | Halsey,N.A., Coberly,J.S., et al. Randomised trial of isoniazid versus rifampicin and pyrazinamide for prevention of tuberculosis in HIV-1 infection Lancet 1998 351 (9105) 786-92. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>This was a prospective, randomised, unblinded trial</p> <p>Randomisation: this was performed by the project coordinator using sealed sequentially numbered envelopes.</p> <p>Allocation: Sealed envelopes were possibly opaque but uncertain. Project coordinator organised the method; however, there was no certainty over whether this person had any other influence. Otherwise it is likely that allocation was adequately blinded.</p> <p>Blinding: trial was “unmasked” and neither patients nor physicians were blinded; investigators were kept blind to participant’s exposure to the intervention.</p> <p>Attrition: loss to follow up was similar in both treatment arms as were the amount for which no outcome data was available.</p> <p>There was no significant difference between participants lost to follow up between the two arms of study.</p> <p>Comparison groups were similar at baseline with respect to all important characteristics, except that more in the rifampicin and pyrazinamide group had “ever drunk alcohol.”</p> <p>Comparison groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied. Follow up was also similar between the two groups.</p> <p>Length of follow up was appropriate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A valid and reliable method was used to determine primary outcome. <p>Intervention matches the intervention of interest:</p> <p>Population matches the population of interest:</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomised: 750 patients,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 370 received Isoniazid and pyridoxine • 380 received rifampicin and pyrazinamide |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Aged 16-77 years</p> <p>HIV-1 seropositive</p> <p>Positive PPD skin test of at least 5mm</p> <p>Normal chest radiograph</p> <p>No evidence of extrapulmonary TB</p> <p>Aspartate aminotransferase of less than 3 times upper normal limit</p> <p>Total bilirubin of less than 43 µmoles/L</p> <p>Serum creatinine of less than 221 µmoles/L</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Halsey,N.A., Coberly,J.S., et al. Randomised trial of isoniazid versus rifampicin and pyrazinamide for prevention of tuberculosis in HIV-1 infection Lancet 1998 351 (9105) 786-92. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Platelet count of more than 100000/ μ L White blood cell count of more than 4000/mL Weight over 25kg Informed consent Exclusion Pregnancy Negative PPD test. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Characteristics | Isoniazid group (n=370) | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide (n=380) | P-value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean age | 31 | 31 | 0.99 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 108 | 129 | 0.18 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ever smoked | 67 | 83 | 0.23 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ever drunk alcohol | 9 | 26 | 0.005 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean PPD size (mm) | 11.7 | 11.7 | 0.75 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean entry CD4/CD8 | 0.57 | 0.56 | 0.73 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | Isoniazid group: For patients under 50kg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 600mg isoniazid and 25mg pyridoxine, twice weekly for 6 months For patients over 50kg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800mg Isoniazid and 25mg pyridoxine, twice weekly for 6 months Participants were given two doses each week: the first given under direct supervision and the second to be taken at home three days later unsupervised. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide group: For patients under 40kg weight: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 450 mg rifampicin and 1500mg pyrazinamide, twice weekly for 2 months For patients over 40kg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 450mg rifampicin and 2000mg pyrazinamide, twice weekly for 2 months Participants were given two doses each week: the first given under direct supervision and the second to be taken at home three days later unsupervised. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Participants were followed up for up to 4 years. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> median follow up was 2.5 years. | | | | |
| Location | Haiti | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of active tuberculosis | | | | |
| | | Isoniazid group (n=370) | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group (n=380) | Total (n=750) | P |
| Culture confirmed | 5 | 10 | 15 | | |
| Sputum smear positive | 2 | 5 | 7 | | |
| Clinically compatible with response to TB | 7 | 4 | 11 | | |
| total | 14 (3.8%) | 19 (5.0%) | 33 | | 0.21 |
| | At 36 months: | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazard ratio for participants on rifampicin and pyrazinamide compared to those on isoniazid was 1.3 (95% CI 0.68-2.70). Annualised risk of developing TB= 1.8% for RIF/PYR and 1.7% for the isoniazid group. Cumulative risks 5.4% and 5.1% respectively (RR 1.1, p=0.90) | | | | |
| | At 10 months | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The cumulative risk of tuberculosis was higher among those on RIF/PYR compared with those on ISO/PYR (3.7% vs 1.0%, Risk ratio 3.7, p=0.03) | | | | |
| Source of funding | Contract from the Division of Tuberculosis Elimination Branch of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | | | | |
| Comments | Abbreviations: PPD- Purified protein derivative (also known as the Mantoux test or TST test) | | | | |

A.2.4 Pape,J.W., Jean,S.S., et al. (1993)

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| Bibliographic reference | Pape,J.W., Jean,S.S., et al. Effect of isoniazid prophylaxis on incidence of active tuberculosis and progression of HIV infection. Lancet 1993 342 (8866) 268-72. | | |
| Study type | RCT | | |
| Study quality | <p>Randomisation: appropriate method of computerised randomisation was used and there was adequate concealment of allocation.</p> <p>Comparison: there were more PPD positive patients in the isoniazid group, which for the purposes of our study meant that there was more patients in total in the isoniazid group (38) than the no antituberculosis chemotherapy group (25). Otherwise patients were comparable at baseline.</p> <p>Follow up in person-years was greater for the isoniazid group.</p> <p>Blinding: neither the participants nor the clinicians were blinded; investigators were kept blind to the exposure of participants though it was unclear if they were kept blind to other important confounding factors</p> <p>Loss to follow up: the groups were comparable in terms of numbers of those lost to follow up and for whom no outcome data was available</p> <p>Length of follow up: appropriate</p> <p>Outcome: There was a precise and definite definition and investigation of outcome.</p> <p>Intervention matches the intervention of interest:</p> <p>Population matches the population of interest:</p> <p>Intention-to-treat principle was applied</p> | | |
| Number of patients | <p>Number of PPD positive patients randomised- 63,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No antituberculosis chemotherapy group: 25 • isoniazid group: 38 | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Symptom free, newly diagnosed HIV-infected individuals</p> <p>Aged 18-65 years</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>History of tuberculosis</p> <p>Abnormal Chest radiograph</p> <p>Abnormal Liver Function tests</p> <p>Baseline Characteristics</p> | | |
| | Characteristics | No antituberculosis chemotherapy | Isoniazid group (n=58) |

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| Pape,J.W., Jean,S.S., et al. Effect of isoniazid prophylaxis on incidence of active tuberculosis and progression of HIV infection. Lancet 1993 342 (8866) 268-72. | | |
| | | group (n=60) |
| | Mean (SD) age | 30.6 (7.6) |
| | M/F | 11/49 |
| | Months of follow up | 33.5 |
| | PPD positive (%) | 25 (42%) |
| Intervention | <p>12 months of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • daily isoniazid (300mg) • vitamin B6 (50mg) • Self-administered | |
| Comparison | <p>No antituberculosis chemotherapy group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months of daily vitamin B6 (50mg) | |
| Length of follow up | <p>Mean months of follow up (range)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No antituberculosis chemotherapy group= 33.5 months (5.0-60.2) • Isoniazid group= 39.1 (3.0-60.7) | |
| Location | Haiti- Institute National de Laboratoire et de Recherches in Port-au-Prince | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of active tuberculosis | |
| | PPD positive | B6 Alone |
| | N | 25 |
| | No (%) of TB cases | 6 (24) |
| | Follow up time (person years) | 61 |
| | Incidence (per 100 person-years) | 5.7 |
| | RR for tuberculosis (95% CI) | 1.8 (0.4-9.2) |
| | Mortality | |
| | PPD positive | B6 Alone |
| | No (%) of deaths | 7 (28) |
| | Follow up time (person years) | 61 |
| | RR for death (95% CI) | 3.6 (1.0-12.4) |
| Source of funding | US Public Health Service | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Pape,J.W., Jean,S.S., et al. Effect of isoniazid prophylaxis on incidence of active tuberculosis and progression of HIV infection. Lancet 1993 342 (8866) 268-72. |
| Comments | <p>Enrolment began in 1986.</p> <p>Enrolment was closed when isoniazid prophylaxis for PPD-positive HIV-infected patients was recommended in 1989. An interim analysis was done in January, 1990, and all subjects in the B6 group were offered isoniazid plus B6 for 12 months; 21 of 60 accepted. Intention-to-treat principle was applied.</p> |
| Abbreviations:PPD- purified protein derivative | |

A.2.5 Anon (1982)

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| Bibliographic reference | Anon. Bulletin of the World Health Organization 1982 60 (4) 555-64. Efficacy of various durations of isoniazid preventive therapy for tuberculosis: five years of follow-up in the IUAT trial. International Union Against Tuberculosis Committee on Prophylaxis |
| Study type | Randomised Controlled Trial |
| Study quality | <p>Population: Participants match the population of interest: patients were required to have fibrotic lesions of probable tuberculosis origin that had been stable during the year prior to entry. As well as a positive PPD skin test.</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest:</p> <p>Randomisation: An appropriate method of randomisation was used with patients assigned random ID numbers and a matching supply of pills.</p> <p>Allocation: Allocation concealment was applied</p> <p>Comparison Groups: All groups were comparable at baseline although the study merely stated the treatment arms were similar and did not provide a table.</p> <p>Populations were taken from 115 dispensaries in seven European countries: Czechoslovakia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia; Comparison groups may not have received the same care apart from the intervention.</p> <p>Blinding: Both participants and clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation.</p> <p>Follow up: Completion rates were inversely proportional to duration of treatment under study. Therefore loss to follow up was greater in the longer duration treatment arms. Follow up was of an appropriate duration</p> <p>Outcome: There was a precise definition and a valid reliable method used to determine the outcome. Investigators were kept blind to participant's exposure to intervention.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>27,830 participants in total remained in the trial after exclusion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 weeks of isoniazid: 6956 (25%) • 24 weeks of isoniazid: 6965 (25%) • 52 weeks of isoniazid: 6919 (24.9%) • 12 weeks of placebo: 2350 (8.4%) • 24 weeks of placebo: 2338 (8.4%) • 52 weeks of placebo: 2302 (8.3%) |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Fibrotic Lesions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well- delineated radiographic lesions • Of probably tuberculosis origin • Stable during the year prior to entry. |

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| Bibliographic reference | Anon. Bulletin of the World Health Organization 1982 60 (4) 555-64. Efficacy of various durations of isoniazid preventive therapy for tuberculosis: five years of follow-up in the IUAT trial. International Union Against Tuberculosis Committee on Prophylaxis |
| | <p>Greater than 5mm induration of Mantoux test (PPD positive)</p> <p>Persons 20-64 years of age (and “a few” who did not fit this category)</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Less than 6mm induration to Mantoux test</p> <p>Radiographic lesions limited to solitary calcifications or thickening of apical or diaphragmatic pleura</p> <p>Previous treatment with antituberculosis drugs</p> <p>Previous record of positive bacteriological findings</p> <p>Baseline Characteristics</p> <p>Age:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Median age: 50 years. • Population skewed towards older age groups (38% between 55 and 65 years of age) <p>Sex:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 53% Male • 47% female <p>Median Induration size to tuberculin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15mm (range 6-90mm) |
| Intervention | 300mg of Isoniazid, Daily for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 weeks • 24 weeks • 52 weeks |
| Comparison | Placebo, Daily for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 weeks • 24 weeks • 52 weeks |
| Length of follow up | 5 years |
| Location | Populations were taken from 115 dispensaries in seven European countries: Czechoslovakia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia. |

| Bibliographic reference | Anon. Bulletin of the World Health Organization 1982 60 (4) 555-64. Efficacy of various durations of isoniazid preventive therapy for tuberculosis: five years of follow-up in the IUAT trial. International Union Against Tuberculosis Committee on Prophylaxis | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Tuberculosis incidence: Case rates of tuberculosis: For all participants</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Regimen</th><th>n of participants</th><th>Cumulative n of cases</th><th>5 year incidence (per 1000)</th><th>Risk Difference^a (95% CI^b)</th><th>Relative risk^a (95% CI^b)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Placebo</td><td>6990</td><td>97</td><td>14.3</td><td>0</td><td>1.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>12 weeks Isoniazid</td><td>6956</td><td>76</td><td>11.3</td><td>-0.003 (-0.005- 0.000)</td><td>0.79 (0.58-1.06)</td></tr> <tr> <td>24 weeks Isoniazid</td><td>6965</td><td>34</td><td>5.0</td><td>-0.009 (-0.010- - 0.007)</td><td>0.35 (0.24-0.52)</td></tr> <tr> <td>52 weeks Isoniazid</td><td>6919</td><td>24</td><td>3.6</td><td>-0.01 (-0.012- - 0.009)</td><td>0.25 (0.16-0.39)</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>For Patients who completed treatment AND complied with 80% of daily doses. Tuberculosis was considered to be confirmed only if tubercle bacilli were grown in culture.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Regimen</th><th>n of participants</th><th>Cumulative n of cases</th><th>5 year incidence (per 1000)</th><th>Percentage reduction</th><th>Relative risk</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Placebo</td><td>5616</td><td>83</td><td>15.0</td><td>0</td><td>13.6</td></tr> <tr> <td>12 weeks Isoniazid</td><td>6039</td><td>61</td><td>10.4</td><td>31</td><td>9.4</td></tr> <tr> <td>24 weeks Isoniazid</td><td>5437</td><td>25</td><td>4.7</td><td>69</td><td>4.3</td></tr> <tr> <td>52 weeks Isoniazid</td><td>4543</td><td>5</td><td>1.1</td><td>93</td><td>1.0</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | | Regimen | n of participants | Cumulative n of cases | 5 year incidence (per 1000) | Risk Difference ^a (95% CI ^b) | Relative risk ^a (95% CI ^b) | Placebo | 6990 | 97 | 14.3 | 0 | 1.00 | 12 weeks Isoniazid | 6956 | 76 | 11.3 | -0.003 (-0.005- 0.000) | 0.79 (0.58-1.06) | 24 weeks Isoniazid | 6965 | 34 | 5.0 | -0.009 (-0.010- - 0.007) | 0.35 (0.24-0.52) | 52 weeks Isoniazid | 6919 | 24 | 3.6 | -0.01 (-0.012- - 0.009) | 0.25 (0.16-0.39) | Regimen | n of participants | Cumulative n of cases | 5 year incidence (per 1000) | Percentage reduction | Relative risk | Placebo | 5616 | 83 | 15.0 | 0 | 13.6 | 12 weeks Isoniazid | 6039 | 61 | 10.4 | 31 | 9.4 | 24 weeks Isoniazid | 5437 | 25 | 4.7 | 69 | 4.3 | 52 weeks Isoniazid | 4543 | 5 | 1.1 | 93 | 1.0 |
| Regimen | n of participants | Cumulative n of cases | 5 year incidence (per 1000) | Risk Difference ^a (95% CI ^b) | Relative risk ^a (95% CI ^b) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 52 weeks Isoniazid | 4543 | 5 | 1.1 | 93 | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Duration | Product | 12 | 24 | 36 | 52 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Anon. Bulletin of the World Health Organization 1982 60 (4) 555-64. Efficacy of various durations of isoniazid preventive therapy for tuberculosis: five years of follow-up in the IUAT trial. International Union Against Tuberculosis Committee on Prophylaxis | | | | | | |
|---|---|-----------|--|--|-----------|-----------------------|--|
| | 12 weeks | Isoniazid | 95 (87) | | | | |
| | | Placebo | 97 (91) | | | | |
| | 24 weeks | Isoniazid | 94 (84) | 93 (78) | | | |
| | | Placebo | 96 (87) | 95 (82) | | | |
| | 52 weeks | Isoniazid | 93 (84) | 91 (79) | 89 (73) | 88 (68) | |
| | | Placebo | 95 (87) | 93 (79) | 91 (74) | 90 (69) | |
| Risk of Hepatitis | | | | | | | |
| Risk of hepatitis by quarter (per 1000 persons) | | | | | | | |
| | Risk by quarter | | | Placebo Isoniazid Excess | | | |
| | Placebo | isoniazid | excess | placebo | isoniazid | excess | |
| Weeks | P | I | I-P | P | I | I-P | risk reduction, (cases prevented per 1000) |
| 1-12 | 0.7 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 2.7 |
| 13-24 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 1.6 |
| 25-36 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 5.6 | 4.4 | 0.8 |
| 37-52 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 6.4 | 5.2 | standard |
| Benefit to risk ratio by regimen and year | | | | | | | |
| Year of follow- up | Regimen | | Cumulative No. of tuberculosis cases prevented | Cumulative no. of hepatitis cases incurred | | Benefit to risk ratio | |
| First | 12 weeks | | 2.6 | 2.5 | | 1.0 | |
| | 24 weeks | | 3.9 | 3.6 | | 1.1 | |
| | 52 weeks | | 3.6 | 5.2 | | 0.7 | |
| Second | 12 weeks | | 2.9 | 2.5 | | 1.2 | |
| | 24 weeks | | 5.5 | 3.6 | | 1.5 | |
| | 52 weeks | | 5.3 | 5.2 | | 1.0 | |
| Third | 12 weeks | | 3.6 | 2.5 | | 1.4 | |

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|--------------------------------------|---|----------|------|-----|-----|
| | | 24 weeks | 7.6 | 3.6 | 2.1 |
| | | 52 weeks | 8.0 | 5.2 | 1.5 |
| | Fourth | 12 weeks | 3.9 | 2.5 | 1.6 |
| | | 24 weeks | 8.8 | 3.6 | 2.4 |
| | | 52 weeks | 9.3 | 5.2 | 1.8 |
| | fifth | 12 weeks | 3.0 | 2.5 | 1.2 |
| | | 24 weeks | 9.3 | 3.6 | 2.6 |
| | | 52 weeks | 10.7 | 5.2 | 2.1 |
| Definition of Hepatitis was unclear. | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Scientific Committee on Prophylaxis of the International Union Against Tuberculosis "conception and support of the trial" | | | | |
| Comments | aData calculated by technical analyst. | | | | |
| ^CI- Confidence interval | | | | | |

A.2.6 Schechter,M., Zajdenverg,R., et al. (2006)

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| Bibliographic reference | Schechter,M., Zajdenverg,R., et al. American Journal of Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine 2006 173 (8) 922-26. Weekly rifapentine/isoniazid or daily rifampin/pyrazinamide for latent tuberculosis in household contacts |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest Intervention matches intervention of interest Randomisation: Participants were block randomised by households, methods described. Allocation: Allocation was concealed. Blinding: neither the participants nor the clinicians were blinded. Comparison:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The groups were comparable at baseline • Groups did not receive exactly the same care apart from the intervention, participants in the pyrazinamide/rifampicin group had to take their medication daily and mostly unsupervised. Patients in the rifapentine/Isoniazid group were directly observed for every dose given. • The pyrazinamide/rifampicin group were seen once more in follow up. <p>Attrition: Groups were similar in regard to length of follow up and loss to follow up. Attrition was similar between the two arms of study. Unclear definition of outcome in regard to diagnosis of tuberculosis Unclear if investigators were kept blind to treatment arms or confounding factors (unlikely)</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>N= 399</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide= 193 • Rifapentine and isoniazid= 206 <p>Data available after treatment completion and follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide= 193 • Rifapentine and isoniazid= 206 <p>Loss to follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide= 5 • Rifapentine and isoniazid= 3 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion criteria Household contacts of patients with newly diagnosed pulmonary TB at public clinics in Rio de Janeiro who slept 2 nights or more per week in the same dwelling as the index case 1TST positive- induration \geq 5 mm</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Schechter,M., Zajdenverg,R., et al. American Journal of Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine 2006 173 (8) 922-26. Weekly rifapentine/isoniazid or daily rifampin/pyrazinamide for latent tuberculosis in household contacts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----|-----|--------------|------|------|-------------|-------|-------|---------|-----|---|---------------------|----|----|------------|----|----|-------------|------|----|------------------------|---|-----|--------------------|---|---|
| | <p>No TB symptoms Chest radiograph without evidence of active TB Exclusion criteria Evidence of liver or renal dysfunction Evidence of anaemia Received TB drugs for more than 1 month Baseline characteristics</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Variable</th><th>Rifapentine and isoniazid group</th><th>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>N of subjects</td><td>206</td><td>193</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mean age (y)</td><td>37.7</td><td>37.0</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sex m/f (%)</td><td>37/63</td><td>44/56</td></tr> <tr> <td>HIV (%)</td><td>0.5</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr> <td>BCG vaccination (%)</td><td>65</td><td>66</td></tr> <tr> <td>Smoker (%)</td><td>22</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr> <td>Alcohol (%)</td><td>34.5</td><td>38</td></tr> <tr> <td>Injection drug use (%)</td><td>0</td><td>0.5</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ever in prison (%)</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | Variable | Rifapentine and isoniazid group | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide | N of subjects | 206 | 193 | Mean age (y) | 37.7 | 37.0 | Sex m/f (%) | 37/63 | 44/56 | HIV (%) | 0.5 | 0 | BCG vaccination (%) | 65 | 66 | Smoker (%) | 22 | 25 | Alcohol (%) | 34.5 | 38 | Injection drug use (%) | 0 | 0.5 | Ever in prison (%) | 0 | 0 |
| Variable | Rifapentine and isoniazid group | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N of subjects | 206 | 193 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean age (y) | 37.7 | 37.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex m/f (%) | 37/63 | 44/56 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HIV (%) | 0.5 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BCG vaccination (%) | 65 | 66 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Smoker (%) | 22 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alcohol (%) | 34.5 | 38 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Injection drug use (%) | 0 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ever in prison (%) | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>Rifapentine and isoniazid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine 900 mg once weekly for 12 weeks • isoniazid 900 mg once weekly for 12 weeks <p>Directly observed in the clinic</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide</p> <p>For weight < 50 kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin 450 mg once daily for 8 weeks • pyrazinamide 750 mg once daily for 8 weeks <p>For weight ≥ 50 kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin 600 mg once daily for 8 weeks • pyrazinamide 1500 mg once daily for 8 weeks • One dose directly observed, the rest self administered | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Length of follow up | Follow up for at least 2 years. |
| Location | Rio de Janeiro, Brazil |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of tuberculosis TB evaluated with chest xray and sputum examination for smear and culture. Confirmed by reviewing medical records.</p> <p>Rifapentine and isoniazid group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 cases in 564 person years of follow up (0.5/100 person-years) <p>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 case in 522 person- years of follow up (0.2/100 person-years) • Relative risk, 2.8; 95% CI, 0.3-26.8; p=0.66 • i.e. non significant |
| | <p>Mortality Number of cases of death during follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifapentine and isoniazid group= 1 of 206 • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group= 3 of 193 |
| | <p>Incidence of hepatotoxicity Hepatotoxicity: Grade 3 defined as aspartate aminotransferase or alanine aminotransferase 5-10 times upper limit of normal. Grade 4 defined as aspartate aminotransferase or alanine aminotransferase > 10 times upper limit of normal.</p> <p>Number of cases of grade 3 hepatotoxicity during follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifapentine and isoniazid group= 2 of 206 • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group= 14 of 193 <p>Number of cases of grade 4 hepatotoxicity during follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifapentine and isoniazid group= 0 of 206 • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group= 11 of 193 <p>Number of cases of grade 3 or 4 hepatotoxicity during follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifapentine and isoniazid group= 2 of 206 • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group= 20 of 193 |
| Source of funding | Supported by National Institutes of Health grants, and TW 05574, and Conselho Nacionde Desenvolvimento Cientifico e Tecnologico |

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| Comments | Trial was prematurely terminated because of unexpectedly high rates of hepatotoxicity in the rifampicin and pyrazinamide arm. |
| Abbreviations: ¹TST- Tuberculin Skin Test | |

A.2.7 Mwinga,A., Hosp,M., et al. (1998)**A.2.8 Quigley,M.A., Mwinga,A., et al (2001)**

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| Bibliographic reference | Mwinga,A., Hosp,M., et al. AIDS. 1998 12 (18) 2447-57.Twice weekly tuberculosis preventive therapy in HIV infection in Zambia Quigley,M.A., Mwinga,A., et al.AIDS. 2001 15 (2) 215-22.Long-term effect of preventive therapy for tuberculosis in a cohort of HIV-infected Zambian adults. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population does not exactly match population of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients without a positive TST¹ were included in the study (subgroup data available) <p>Intervention matches the intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: an appropriate method was used; computerised block randomisation.</p> <p>Allocation was most likely adequately concealed providing sealed enveloped were opaque (unclear)</p> <p>Baseline characteristics were similar with respect to all characteristics, any differences reported were non-significant.</p> <p>Comparison groups received the same care apart from the interventions studied.</p> <p>Blinding: Participants and clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were blind to treatment groups however blinding to other confounding factors was unclear.</p> <p>The groups were comparable for treatment completion in each group. However the amount for which no outcome data was available was greater in the rifampicin and pyrazinamide treatment arm.</p> <p>The study uses a precise definition of outcome, however a valid and reliable method was not always used to determine the outcome: for example the diagnosis of TB may be made on the basis of a positive response to TB treatment following the failure of antibiotic treatment. This is unlikely to be highly specific.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Subgroup (TST¹ \geq 5 mm) = 161</p> <p>Placebo group = 60</p> <p>Isoniazid group = 52</p> <p>Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide group = 49</p> <p>From the total number enrolled in the study (n= 1080)</p> <p>The following did not complete treatment:</p> <p>Placebo group = 10</p> <p>Isoniazid group = 8</p> <p>Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide group = 9</p> <p>The following had no outcome data available:</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Mwinga,A., Hosp,M., et al. AIDS. 1998 12 (18) 2447-57.Twice weekly tuberculosis preventive therapy in HIV infection in Zambia Quigley,M.A., Mwinga,A., et al.AIDS. 2001 15 (2) 215-22.Long-term effect of preventive therapy for tuberculosis in a cohort of HIV-infected Zambian adults. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--|----------|----------|----------|
| | Placebo group = 38 Isoniazid group = 34 Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide group = 55 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | Inclusion HIV positive Over 15 years old Excluded Previous history of treatment for TB Abnormal liver function tests Evidence of TB (pulmonary or extra-pulmonary) Pregnant Unable to attend study clinic Baseline characteristics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Placebo no. (%) | Isoniazid no. (%) | Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide no. (%) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex m/f | 194/156 | 194/158 | 208/143 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age mean (SD) | 30 (8.0) | 30 (7.9) | 31 (8.6) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tuberculin skin test \geq 5 mm | 60 (27) | 52 (23) | 49 (22) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Visible BCG scar | 281 (81) | 278 (80) | 268 (77) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lymphocyte count ($\times 10^9/l$) <2 | 100 (36) | 116 (39) | 120 (42) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | Patients = 101 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 months of rifampicin 600 mg, twice a week • And 3 months of pyrazinamide 3500 mg, twice a week =49 Or <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months of isoniazid 900 mg twice a week = 52 All regimens self-administered | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Comparison | Patients = 60 • 3 months of twice weekly placebo to match the rifampicin group or 6 months of a twice weekly placebo to match the isoniazid group = 60 |
| Length of follow up | Median follow up 1.8 years, maximum follow up 7 years. |
| Location | Zambia |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of TB number of cases; total person years (rate per 100 person-years) • Placebo group: 9 of 98 (9.18) • Isoniazid group: 2 of 88 (2.27) • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide: 2 of 74 (2.70) Mortality: cases; total person years (rate per 100 person-years) • Placebo group: 4 of 114 (3.51) • Isoniazid group: 7 of 93 (7.53) • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide: 9 of 78 (11.54) |
| Source of funding | Supported by the World Health Organisation and the UK Department for International Development with additional support from the Beit Memorial Trust. |
| Comments | |

Abbreviations: ¹TST: Tuberculin Skin Test

A.2.9 Gupta,D.K., Kumar,R., Nath,N. (1993)

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| Bibliographic reference | Gupta,D.K., Kumar,R., Nath,N. (1993) Chemoprophylaxis in high risk children-analysis of 8 years' follow up: Preliminary report Indian Journal of Tuberculosis. 40 (3) 125-27. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches the population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches the intervention of interest; control group was not given placebo however the other treatment arms can provide comparison.</p> <p>Unclear if an appropriate method of randomisation was used</p> <p>Unclear if there was adequate concealment of allocation</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline in regard to age, socio-economic status and sex.</p> <p>Comparison group received the same care apart from the intervention studied</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were neither blinded to the treatment allocation of the patient or to any potential confounding factors.</p> <p>Unclear if groups were followed up for an equal length of time. It was presumed that loss to follow up and poor adherence would affect each group equally and therefore no adjustments for these important factors were made.</p> <p>Unclear if groups were comparable for treatment completion, or the number that did not complete treatment.</p> <p>Unclear if groups were comparable for availability of outcome data, or the number for which there was no outcome data available.</p> <p>The study had an appropriate length of follow up.</p> <p>Unclear if the study had a precise definition of outcome or whether a valid and reliable method was used to measure outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Enrolled= 415 children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “control” group= 85 • isoniazid group = 82 • rifampicin and isoniazid, one month group = 83 • rifampicin and isoniazid, three months group = 85 • isoniazid, rifampicin and pyrazinamide group = 80 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Age 5-15 years</p> <p>TST positive (≥ 10 mm)</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Children with BCG scar</p> <p>Lymphadenopathy</p> <p>Prolonged respiratory problems</p> |

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| | Baseline characteristics | | | | | |
| | | No treatment group | Isoniazid group | Isoniazid and rifampicin group, 1 month | Isoniazid group and rifampicin group, 3 months | Isoniazid, rifampicin and pyrazinamide group |
| | Sex m/f | 46/39 | 42/40 | 42/41 | 43/42 | 42/38 |
| | Age 5-10 | 42 | 40 | 41 | 42 | 40 |
| | Age 11-15 | 43 | 42 | 42 | 43 | 40 |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid = 82</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily 15 mg/kg bodyweight to a maximum of 300 mg daily, for 3 months <p>Rifampicin and isoniazid = 83</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily isoniazid 15 mg/kg bodyweight to a maximum of 300 mg daily, for 1 month • Daily rifampicin 10 mg/kg bodyweight, for 1 month <p>Rifampicin and isoniazid = 85</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily isoniazid 15 mg/kg bodyweight to a maximum of 300 mg daily, for 3 months • Daily rifampicin 10 mg/kg bodyweight, for 3 months <p>Rifampicin, pyrazinamide and isoniazid = 80</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily isoniazid 15 mg/kg bodyweight to a maximum of 300 mg daily, for 1 month • Daily rifampicin 10 mg/kg bodyweight, for 1 month • Daily pyrazinamide 30 mg/kg bodyweight for 1 month | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>"Control" group= 85</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not given any treatment | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | 8 years follow up | | | | | |
| Location | India | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of active TB (cases)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group receiving no treatment= 17 of 85 • Group receiving isoniazid alone= 10 of 82 • Group receiving isoniazid and rifampicin for 1 month = 9 of 83 | | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Gupta,D.K., Kumar,R., Nath,N. (1993) Chemoprophylaxis in high risk children-analysis of 8 years' follow up: Preliminary report Indian Journal of Tuberculosis. 40 (3) 125-27. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group receiving isoniazid and rifampicin for 3 months = 4 of 85 • Group receiving isoniazid, pyrazinamide and rifampicin for 1 month = 0 of 80 |
| Source of funding | Unclear |
| Comments | This paper was a preliminary report, unable to find full paper if one exists. |

A.2.10 Hawken M.P., Meme H.K., et al. (1997)

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| Bibliographic reference | Hawken,M.P., Meme,H.K., et al. 1997. Isoniazid preventive therapy for tuberculosis in HIV-1-infected adults: results of a randomized controlled trial. AIDS. 11 (7) 875-82. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TST negative patients were included in the study however subgroup analysis was possible <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: an appropriate method of randomisation was used; computerised block randomisation. Allocation was adequately concealed.</p> <p>Groups were not comparable at baseline; there were differences in sex, generalized lymphadenopathy and history of herpes zoster infection. All other characteristics were similar.</p> <p>Groups were recruited at three different clinical sites where care may have differed.</p> <p>Blinding: participants and clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were blind to treatment allocation although it is unclear if they were blinded to other confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up was analysed to adjust for differences between lengths of follow up between patients.</p> <p>Unclear how many participants did not complete treatment in each treatment group</p> <p>Unclear how many participants there were in each group for which no outcome data was available</p> <p>The study had an appropriate length of follow up</p> <p>There was a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomized = 684 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid group = 342 • Placebo group = 342 <p>Subgroup (TST¹ positive)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid group = 67 • Placebo group = 69 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>HIV-1 positive</p> <p>Age 14-65 years</p> <p>Resident in Nairobi</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Past history of TB</p> |

| | <p>Suspicion of current TB (symptomatic)</p> <p>Adenopathy greater than 2cm in diameter</p> <p>Abnormal liver enzymes</p> <p>Life-threatening intercurrent illness</p> <p>Pregnant</p> <p>Baseline Characteristics</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th><th>Isoniazid (n= 342)</th><th>Placebo (n= 342)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Mean age (years)</td><td>31.1</td><td>31.1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Female</td><td>217</td><td>196</td></tr> <tr> <td>Study Clinic</td><td>78</td><td>77</td></tr> <tr> <td>Group 1</td><td>159</td><td>149</td></tr> <tr> <td>Group 2</td><td>114</td><td>116</td></tr> <tr> <td>Group 3</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>BCG scar visible</td><td>256</td><td>248</td></tr> <tr> <td>Generalised lymphadenopathy</td><td>40</td><td>26</td></tr> <tr> <td>Herpes zoster</td><td>103</td><td>80</td></tr> <tr> <td>TST¹ positive (≥ 5 mm)</td><td>67</td><td>69</td></tr> <tr> <td>Total lymphocyte count (x10⁹/l)</td><td>5.5 (2.7-10.8)</td><td>5.5 (2.6-17.4)</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | | Isoniazid (n= 342) | Placebo (n= 342) | Mean age (years) | 31.1 | 31.1 | Female | 217 | 196 | Study Clinic | 78 | 77 | Group 1 | 159 | 149 | Group 2 | 114 | 116 | Group 3 | | | BCG scar visible | 256 | 248 | Generalised lymphadenopathy | 40 | 26 | Herpes zoster | 103 | 80 | TST ¹ positive (≥ 5 mm) | 67 | 69 | Total lymphocyte count (x10 ⁹ /l) | 5.5 (2.7-10.8) | 5.5 (2.6-17.4) |
|--|--|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------|------|--------|-----|-----|--------------|----|----|---------|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|---------|--|--|------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------|----|----|---------------|-----|----|--|----|----|--|----------------|----------------|
| | Isoniazid (n= 342) | Placebo (n= 342) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean age (years) | 31.1 | 31.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Female | 217 | 196 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Study Clinic | 78 | 77 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Group 1 | 159 | 149 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Group 2 | 114 | 116 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Group 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BCG scar visible | 256 | 248 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Generalised lymphadenopathy | 40 | 26 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Herpes zoster | 103 | 80 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Total lymphocyte count (x10 ⁹ /l) | 5.5 (2.7-10.8) | 5.5 (2.6-17.4) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid group = 342 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300 mg daily, for 6 months <p>Self-administered</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Placebo group = 342 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placebo, for 6 months <p>Self-administered</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | <p>Median length of follow up: (range)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • isoniazid group: 1.83 (0-3.41) • placebo group: 1.82 (0-3.37) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Nairobi, Kenya | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of active tuberculosis:</p> <p>In TST¹ positive subgroup, given per 100 person years of observation (95 % confidence interval)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid Group: 5.59 (2.25-11.51) • Placebo group: 8.03 (3.85-14.77) • Adjusted risk ratio was 0.60 (95% CI, 0.23-1.60) • i.e. not significant |
| | <p>Mortality In TST¹ positive subgroup, given as adjusted mortality risk ratio for Isoniazid versus placebo (95 % confidence interval)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk ratio was 0.33 (95% CI, 0.09-1.23) • i.e. not significant |
| Source of funding | The British Medical Research Council and the Overseas Development Administration |
| Comments | |

¹TST- tuberculin Skin Test

A.2.11 Gordin,F., Chaisson,R.E., et al. (2000)

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| Bibliographic reference | Gordin,F., Chaisson,R.E., et al. (2000). Rifampin and pyrazinamide vs isoniazid for prevention of tuberculosis in HIV-infected persons: an international randomized trial. Terry Beirn Community Programs for Clinical Research on AIDS, the Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group, the Pan American Health. <i>JAMA</i> 283 (11) 1445-50. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches the population of interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A “historic” positive PPD¹ test was also included <p>Intervention matches the intervention of interest</p> <p>Unclear if an appropriate method of randomization was used</p> <p>Unclear if adequate concealment of allocation took place</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline</p> <p>Comparison groups did not always receive the same care apart from the intervention under study. Length of drug regimen could vary depending on whether the patient was perceived to take their drug continuously or not. Patients were taken from different sites in different countries however analysis was stratified by geography.</p> <p>Blinding: Neither patients nor participants were blinded to treatment allocation. Investigators were not blinded to allocation and any possible confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: groups were followed up for a similar length of time and analysis was adjusted to allow for any differences.</p> <p>Significantly more patients in the isoniazid group completed treatment than in the rifampicin and pyrazinamide group</p> <p>Outcome data was available for all patients taking part, including those that did not complete therapy.</p> <p>The study had an appropriate length of follow up; loss to follow up was similar in both treatment groups.</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was stated and a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> <p>Treatment was usually self-administered</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>1583 patients randomized</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group = 791 • Isoniazid group = 792 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included</p> <p>Aged 13 years or older</p> <p>Diagnosed with HIV infection</p> <p>PPD¹ positive (≥ 5 mm)</p> <p>Haemoglobin > 80 g/L</p> <p>Neutrophil count $> 0.75 \times 10^9/L$</p> <p>Platelet count $> 50 \times 10^9/L$</p> <p>Total bilirubin of $42.7 \mu\text{mol}/L$ or less</p> |

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| | <p>Aspartate aminotransferase and alkaline phosphatase levels < 5 times normal Excluded Clinical or radiological evidence of active TB Current treatment with fluroquinolones or other active agents against TB History of more than 2 months of continuous treatment against TB Intolerance to medications Acute hepatitis or peripheral neuropathy Pregnancy Baseline characteristics</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th><th>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide</th><th>Isoniazid</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Women (%)</td><td>29.2</td><td>27.8</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mean age, y</td><td>36.9</td><td>37.7</td></tr> <tr> <td>History of injection drug use</td><td>33.2</td><td>37.6</td></tr> <tr> <td>Median cell count CD4 (x 10⁹/L)</td><td>454</td><td>427</td></tr> <tr> <td>PPD induration</td><td>11.8</td><td>10.7</td></tr> <tr> <td> 5-9 mm</td><td>45.0</td><td>46.0</td></tr> <tr> <td> ≥ 10 mm</td><td>43.2</td><td>43.3</td></tr> <tr> <td>Historical positive</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> | | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide | Isoniazid | Women (%) | 29.2 | 27.8 | Mean age, y | 36.9 | 37.7 | History of injection drug use | 33.2 | 37.6 | Median cell count CD4 (x 10 ⁹ /L) | 454 | 427 | PPD induration | 11.8 | 10.7 | 5-9 mm | 45.0 | 46.0 | ≥ 10 mm | 43.2 | 43.3 | Historical positive | | |
| | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide | Isoniazid | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Women (%) | 29.2 | 27.8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Historical positive | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group Bodyweight < 50 kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin: 450 mg, daily for 2 months • Pyrazinamide: 20 mg/kg, daily for 2 months <p>Bodyweight ≥ 50 kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin 600 mg, daily for 2 months • Pyrazinamide: 20 mg/kg, daily for 2 months <p>Patients who did not receive the drugs continuously were encouraged to complete a 60 day course. Treatment was usually self-administered</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Isoniazid group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid 300 mg, daily for 12 months • Pyridoxine hydrochloride 50 mg, daily for 12 months | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | Treatment was usually self-administered | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: mean duration 37.2 months, maximum 5 years Isoniazid group: mean duration 36.8 months, maximum 5 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | United States, Mexico, Haiti, Brazil, Zambia | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of tuberculosis Confirmed tuberculosis defined as a positive M tuberculosis culture from any source. Probable: Clinical evidence based diagnosis.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide (cases)</th> <th>Rate per 100 person-years</th> <th>Isoniazid (cases)</th> <th>Rate per 100 person-years</th> <th>Unadjusted RR (95% CI²)</th> <th>P value</th> <th>Adjusted RR (95% CI²)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>TB confirmed</td> <td>19</td> <td>0.8</td> <td>26</td> <td>1.1</td> <td>0.72 (0.40-1.31)</td> <td>0.28</td> <td>0.67 (0.36-1.24)</td> <td>0.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TB confirmed or probable</td> <td>28</td> <td>1.2</td> <td>29</td> <td>1.2</td> <td>0.96 (0.57-1.61)</td> <td>0.87</td> <td>0.95 (0.56-1.61)</td> <td>0.83</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | | | | | | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide (cases) | Rate per 100 person-years | Isoniazid (cases) | Rate per 100 person-years | Unadjusted RR (95% CI ²) | P value | Adjusted RR (95% CI ²) | P value | TB confirmed | 19 | 0.8 | 26 | 1.1 | 0.72 (0.40-1.31) | 0.28 | 0.67 (0.36-1.24) | 0.20 | TB confirmed or probable | 28 | 1.2 | 29 | 1.2 | 0.96 (0.57-1.61) | 0.87 | 0.95 (0.56-1.61) | 0.83 |
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| | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide (cases) | Rate per 100 person-years | Isoniazid (cases) | Rate per 100 person-years | Unadjusted RR (95% CI ²) | P value | Adjusted RR (95% CI ²) | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | <p>Adverse events Adverse events were considered reportable if they were classified as at least grade 4 (potentially life threatening) or above on a scale of 1–5 (with grade 5 denoting death) and not considered due to progression of HIV disease, or if they led to discontinuation of the study drug regardless of severity level.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Adverse Event</th> <th>Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide (n=791) (%)</th> <th>Isoniazid (n=792) (%)</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>≥1 adverse event</td> <td>12.3</td> <td>10.5</td> <td>0.27</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | | | | | Adverse Event | Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide (n=791) (%) | Isoniazid (n=792) (%) | P value | ≥1 adverse event | 12.3 | 10.5 | 0.27 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | ≥1 adverse event grade 4 or higher | 5.6 | 7.3 | 0.18 |
| | Study drug permanently discontinued | 9.5 | 6.1 | 0.01 |
| | Abnormal liver function tests | 1.4 | 3.3 | 0.02 |
| | Hepatitis | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.34 |
| | Peripheral neuropathy | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.37 |
| | Skin rash | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.14 |
| | Neutropenia | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.34 |
| | Nausea and/or vomiting | 1.9 | 0.1 | <0.001 |
| | Narcotic withdrawal | 1.5 | 0.0 | <0.001 |
| Source of funding | National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | | | |
| Comments | | | | |

¹PPD- Purified Protein Derivative

²CI- Confidence Interval

A.2.12 Chan,P.C., Yang,C.H., et al. (2012)

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| Bibliographic reference | Chan,P.C., Yang,C.H., et al. Latent tuberculosis infection treatment for prison inmates: a randomised controlled trial International Journal of Tuberculosis & Lung Disease. 2012 16 (5) 633-38. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | Population matches population of interest Intervention matches intervention of interest Randomisation: an appropriate method of randomisation was used, computerised randomisation sequence used. Allocation: Unclear if there was concealment of allocation Groups were comparable at baseline Groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied Blinding: Neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were not kept blind to participant's treatment allocation or other confounding factors. Follow up: all groups were followed up for an equal length of time, loss to follow up was similar. Data was available for all participants enrolled. The length of follow up was appropriate for the outcome under study (adverse events). Outcome: the study used a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method was used to determine outcome. |
| Number of patients | 373 participants Rifampicin group = 190 Insoniazid group= 183 |
| Patient characteristics | Inclusion TST ¹ positive (≥ 10 mm) IGRA ² positive Prison population, Taiwan Exclusion Active TB Concomitant medications likely to cause potential drug interactions Elevated glutamic pyruvic transaminase levels ≥ 3 times normal values Bilirubin levels ≥ 2 times the upper limit of normal Platelet count < 150 k/mm ³ at baseline Prison term < 6 months |

| Bibliographic reference | Chan,P.C., Yang,C.H., et al. Latent tuberculosis infection treatment for prison inmates: a randomised controlled trial International Journal of Tuberculosis & Lung Disease. 2012 16 (5) 633-38. | | |
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| | Baseline characteristics | | |
| | | | Rifampicin n= 190 |
| | Age, years | | Isoniazid, n= 183 |
| | 18-24 | | 10 |
| | 25-34 | | 47 |
| | 35-44 | | 59 |
| | 45-64 | | 60 |
| | ≥65 | | 7 |
| | Prison term, years | | 114 |
| | <13 | | 69 |
| | ≥ 13 | | |
| | TST ¹ size, mm | | 55 |
| | 10-14 | | 102 |
| | 15-19 | | 26 |
| | ≥20 | | |
| | Chronic hepatitis infection | | 24 |
| | HBsAg positive | | 38 |
| | Anti-HCV positive | | |
| | Taking other medications | | 40 |
| | Diabetes mellitus | | 7 |
| | Medical problems other than diabetes | | 44 |
| Intervention | Rifampicin group= 190 participants • Rifampicin: 10 mg/kg (up to 600 mg/d), for 4 months Treatment administered via directly observed therapy (DOT) | | |
| Comparison | Isoniazid group = 183 participants • Isoniazid: 5 mg/kg (up to 300 mg/d), for 6 months Treatment administered via directly observed therapy (DOT) | | |

| Bibliographic reference | Chan,P.C., Yang,C.H., et al. Latent tuberculosis infection treatment for prison inmates: a randomised controlled trial International Journal of Tuberculosis & Lung Disease. 2012 16 (5) 633-38. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------------|-------|---------|---------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------------|------------------|
| Length of follow up | 1 month following treatment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Prison near Taipei, Taiwan | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of adverse events Primary outcome defined here as any adverse event that led to permanent discontinuation of treatment, as per pre specified criteria. Secondary outcome defined as any cause that led to permanent discontinuation of treatment. Odds ratio was adjusted for the effects of HBsAg, anti-HCV, age \geq 35 years and prison term $>$ 2 years using logistic regression models.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Outcome</th><th>Rifampicin group n (%)</th><th>Isoniazid group N (%)</th><th>P value</th><th>Unadjusted odds ratio (CI³ 95%)</th><th>Adjusted odds ratio (CI³ 95%)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Primary outcome</td><td>4 (2)</td><td>22 (12)</td><td>< 0.001</td><td>0.16 (0.05-0.47)</td><td>0.15 (0.05- 0.46)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Secondary outcome</td><td>27 (14)</td><td>41 (22)</td><td>0.041</td><td>0.57 (0.34-0.98)</td><td>0.56 (0.32-0.97)</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | Outcome | Rifampicin group n (%) | Isoniazid group N (%) | P value | Unadjusted odds ratio (CI ³ 95%) | Adjusted odds ratio (CI ³ 95%) | Primary outcome | 4 (2) | 22 (12) | < 0.001 | 0.16 (0.05-0.47) | 0.15 (0.05- 0.46) | Secondary outcome | 27 (14) | 41 (22) | 0.041 | 0.57 (0.34-0.98) | 0.56 (0.32-0.97) |
| Outcome | Rifampicin group n (%) | Isoniazid group N (%) | P value | Unadjusted odds ratio (CI ³ 95%) | Adjusted odds ratio (CI ³ 95%) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Primary outcome | 4 (2) | 22 (12) | < 0.001 | 0.16 (0.05-0.47) | 0.15 (0.05- 0.46) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Secondary outcome | 27 (14) | 41 (22) | 0.041 | 0.57 (0.34-0.98) | 0.56 (0.32-0.97) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Taiwan CDC Grant DOH97-DC-1502 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | <p>¹TST- tuberculin skin test ²IGRA- Interferon gamma release assays ³CI- Confidence interval</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

A.2.13 Leung,C.C., Law,W.S., et al. (2003)

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| Bibliographic reference | Leung,C.C., Law,W.S., et al. (2003) Initial experience on rifampin and pyrazinamide vs isoniazid in the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection among patients with silicosis in Hong Kong. Chest 124 (6) 2112-18. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: An appropriate method of randomisation was used, using a random number table.</p> <p>Allocation: Unclear whether allocation was concealed.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline</p> <p>Groups received the same care apart from the intervention under study.</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were not kept blind to patients treatment allocation or any other major confounding factors.</p> <p>Attrition: more participants did not complete treatment in the rifampicin and pyrazinamide group. The groups were comparable in respect to availability of outcome data. Treatment completion rates were relatively low in both study arms.</p> <p>There was a low degree of acceptance on to the RCT by the eligible participants identified. Unclear if there were significant differences between the characteristics of those that accepted and those that didn't.</p> <p>The study had an appropriate length of follow up. Unclear if differences of loss to follow up between groups, no adjustments made.</p> <p>There was a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomized = 77 participants</p> <p>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group = 40</p> <p>Isoniazid group = 37</p> |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Patients with silicosis</p> <p>PPD¹ positive (≥ 8 mm)</p> <p>Radiographic profusion of small opacities of category ≥ 1 (International Labor Office)</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>History of TB</p> <p>Suspicion of current TB</p> <p>History of having received >2 months of TB treatment</p> <p>Intolerance to study medications</p> <p>Poor general condition</p> <p>Gouty arthritis</p> <p>Cirrhosis</p> |

| Bibliographic reference | Leung,C.C., Law,W.S., et al. (2003) Initial experience on rifampin and pyrazinamide vs isoniazid in the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection among patients with silicosis in Hong Kong. Chest 124 (6) 2112-18. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Symptomatic hepatitis Liver dysfunction ALT ² levels > 1.5 times upper limit of normal Baseline characteristics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Rifampicin and pyrazinamide N = 40 | Isoniazid N = 36 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age, y | 61.6 | 57.6 | 0.06 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 100 % | 97 % | 0.46 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Progressive massive fibrosis | 27.5 % | 19.4 % | 0.41 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| History of BCG vaccine | 5.0 % | 13.9 % | 0.25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tuberculin test, mm | 16.7 | 15.4 | 0.14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Habitual alcohol drinker | 17.5 % | 11.1 % | 0.52 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HBsAg carrier | 12.5 % | 27.8 % | 0.15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Other medications | 12.5 % | 30.6 % | 0.09 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>Rifampicin and pyrazinamide group:</p> <p>For those weighing < 50 kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin: 450 mg daily, for 2 months • Pyrazinamide: 1000 mg daily, for 2 months <p>For those weighing ≥ 50 kg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rifampicin: 600 mg daily, for 2 months • Pyrazinamide: 1500 mg daily, for 2 months <p>Treatment as an outpatient, first dose in clinic</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Isoniazid group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 6 months <p>Treatment as an outpatient, first dose in clinic</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Up to 10 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Location | Hong Kong, China |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Significant hepatitis: defined by peak ALT² levels > 5 x the upper limit of normal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 14 of 40 participants • isoniazid group: 1 of 36 participants • p value = 0.00 • i.e. significant difference |
| | <p>Skin rash:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 4 of 40 participants • isoniazid group: 2 of 36 participants • p value = 0.67 • i.e. not significant difference |
| | <p>Itchiness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 13 of 40 participants • isoniazid group: 6 of 36 participants • p value = 0.18 • i.e. not significant difference |
| | <p>GI upset</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 8 of 40 participants • isoniazid group: 6 of 36 participants • p value = 0.78 • i.e. not significant difference |
| | <p>Joint Pain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 0 of 40 participants • isoniazid group: 1 of 36 participants • p value = 0.47 • i.e. not significant difference |
| | <p>Treatment completion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 55 % of participants • isoniazid group: 63.9 % of participants |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • p value = 0.43 • i.e. not significant difference |
| | <p>Adherence: defined as the percentage of actually received among the expected number of administered doses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin and pyrazinamide group: 72 % of participants • isoniazid group: 72.9 % of participants • p value = 0.92 • i.e. not significant difference |
| Source of funding | Unclear |
| Comments | <p>Data reporting was not very clear regarding outcome of hepatitis. Results were reported in percentages and only for one of the definitions (ALT² levels > 5 x upper limit of normal). The other definition of significant hepatitis was raised ALT levels with symptoms of hepatitis, data was only provided for the rifampicin and pyrazinamide group in regard to this definition. I used the definition from which a head to head comparison could be achieved.</p> <p>All other adverse effects data was presented as percentages from which I calculated the actual number of cases.</p> |

¹PPD- purified protein positive²ALT- alanine transaminase

A.2.14 Martinson,N.A., Barnes,G.L., et al.(2011)

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| Bibliographic reference | Martinson,N.A., Barnes,G.L., et al. (2011) New regimens to prevent tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection. New England Journal of Medicine. 365 (1) 11-20. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>The population matches the population of interest</p> <p>The intervention matches the intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomization: An appropriate method of computerised randomization was used. Allocation was adequately concealed.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline.</p> <p>Comparison groups did not receive the same care apart from intervention under study. Treatment in the rifampicin and isoniazid group and the rifapentine and isoniazid group were directly observed in clinic. Treatment in the 6 month isoniazid group and continuous isoniazid group was self-administered. Scheduled visits occurred once weekly for the rifapentine and isoniazid group, twice weekly for the rifampicin and isoniazid group and every 2 weeks for the first 6 months of the isoniazid alone groups followed by every 6 months for the continuous isoniazid group.</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were not blinded to either treatment allocation or any confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: was an appropriate length and all groups were followed up for an equal length of time and analysis was adjusted to allow for differences.</p> <p>The groups were comparable for treatment completion and with respect to the availability of outcome data.</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was used and a valid and reliable method of determining the outcome was used.</p> <p>The continuous isoniazid group had half as many participants as the other groups.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>1150 randomized</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 329 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 329 • isoniazid for 6 months = 328 • continuous isoniazid = 164 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included</p> <p>HIV infected</p> <p>TST¹ positive (≥ 5 mm)</p> <p>Age 18 or older</p> <p>Excluded</p> <p>Pregnant or breast feeding</p> <p>Active tuberculosis</p> |

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| | Ever received treatment for TB > 2 months Receiving antiretroviral therapy CD4 cell count < 200 per mm ³ Baseline characteristics | | | | |
| | | Rifapentine with isoniazid, 12 weeks n= 328 | Rifampicin with isoniazid twice weekly, 12 weeks n= 329 | Isoniazid daily for ≤ 6 years n= 164 | Isoniazid daily for 6 months n = 327 |
| Intervention | Female (%) | 277 | 267 | 139 | 273 |
| | Age yr, median | 30.3 | 30.5 | 30.2 | 30.4 |
| | TST ¹ induration, (mm), median | 14.5 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| | CD4 count, cells/mm ³ , median | 471 | 498 | 476 | 490 |
| | Viral load- log10copies/ml, median | 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| Outcomes | Rifapentine and isoniazid group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine: 900 mg weekly, for 12 weeks • isoniazid: 900 mg weekly, for 12 weeks • pyridoxine: 25 mg weekly, for 12 weeks • Treatment was directly observed Rifampicin and isoniazid group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifampicin: 600 mg twice weekly, for 12 weeks • isoniazid: 900 mg, twice weekly, for 12 weeks • pyridoxine: 25 mg twice weekly, for 12 weeks • Treatment was directly observed Isoniazid, continuous group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • isoniazid: 300 mg daily for the duration of the study (≤6 years) • pyridoxine: 25 mg daily, for the duration of the study • Treatment was self-administered | | | | |
| | Progression to active TB Adverse events | | | | |
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| Bibliographic reference | Martinson,N.A., Barnes,G.L., et al. (2011) New regimens to prevent tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection. New England Journal of Medicine. 365 (1) 11-20. |
| Comparison | Isoniazid, 6 month group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • isoniazid: 300mg daily, for 6 months • pyridoxine: 25 mg daily, for 6 months • Treatment was self-administered |
| Length of follow up | Minimum of 3 years, 6 years maximum |
| Location | Soweto, South Africa |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Incidence of tuberculosis Defined as clinical presentation consistent with tuberculosis and response to anti-tuberculosis therapy. Incident disease was categorised as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “confirmed” if one or more cultures were positive for tuberculosis and clinical signs and symptoms. • “probable” if one sputum smear or one biopsy specimen was positive for acid fast bacilli and clinical signs and symptoms. • “possible” clinical signs and symptoms with response to TB treatment. <p>All cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 24 of 328 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 24 of 329 • continuous isoniazid = 8 of 164 • isoniazid for 6 months = 22 of 327 <p>Culture confirmed cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 21 of 328 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 18 of 329 • continuous isoniazid = 5 of 164 • isoniazid for 6 months = 18 of 327 <p>Incidence rate of all cases per 100 person-years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 1.4 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 1.3 • continuous isoniazid = 1.4 • isoniazid for 6 months = 1.9 |

| Bibliographic reference | Martinson,N.A., Barnes,G.L., et al. (2011) New regimens to prevent tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection. New England Journal of Medicine. 365 (1) 11-20. |
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| | <p>Crude incidence-rate ratio (95% CI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 1.05 (0.56-1.97), p value = 0.87 • i.e. not significant • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 1.02 (0.55- 1.91), p value = 0.94 • i.e. not significant • continuous isoniazid = 0.74 (0.29-1.73), p value = 0.48 • i.e. not significant • isoniazid for 6 months = reference 1.0 |
| | <p>Mortality</p> <p>Number of deaths (cases)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 17 of 328 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 16 of 329 • continuous isoniazid = 8 of 164 • isoniazid for 6 months = 25 of 327 <p>Incidence rate per 100 person-year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 1.4 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 1.3 • continuous isoniazid = 1.4 • isoniazid for 6 months = 2.1 <p>Crude incidence-rate ratio (95% CI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 0.66 (0.33-1.26), p value 0.18 • i.e. not significant • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 0.59 (0.30-1.16), p value 0.10 • i.e. not significant • continuous isoniazid = 0.66 (0.26-1.50), p value 0.31 • i.e. not significant • isoniazid for 6 months = reference 1.0 |

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| Bibliographic reference | Martinson,N.A., Barnes,G.L., et al. (2011) New regimens to prevent tuberculosis in adults with HIV infection. New England Journal of Medicine. 365 (1) 11-20. |
| | <p>Adverse events</p> <p>Defined as Grade 3 or 4 according to the Division of AIDS, toxicity table.</p> <p>Grade 3 toxic effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 17 of 328 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 15 of 329 • continuous isoniazid = 35 of 164 • isoniazid for 6 months = 17 of 327 <p>Grade 4 toxic effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 4 of 328 • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 9 of 329 • continuous isoniazid = 18 of 164 • isoniazid for 6 months = 14 of 327 <p>Hepatotoxicity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine and isoniazid group = 1.5 % • rifampicin and isoniazid group = 2.4 % • continuous isoniazid = 28.0 % • P value <0.001 • i.e.significant • isoniazid for 6 months = 5.5 % |
| Source of funding | National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health Fogarty International Center, US Agency for International Development Dr Martinson reports receiving lecture fees from Alere, no other potential conflict of interest. |
| Comments | |

¹TST- tuberculin Skin Test

A.2.15 Matteelli,A., Olliaro,P., et al. (1999)

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| Bibliographic reference | Matteelli,A., Olliaro,P., et al. (1999). Tolerability of twice-weekly rifabutin-isoniazid combinations versus daily isoniazid for latent tuberculosis in HIV-infected subjects: a pilot study. International Journal of Tuberculosis & Lung Disease. 3 (11) 1043-46. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: Unclear if an appropriate method of randomisation was used. Unclear if there was adequate concealment of allocation.</p> <p>Unclear if groups were comparable at baseline in regard to ALT values</p> <p>Groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied.</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were blinded to the treatment allocations. Investigators were not blinded to treatment allocation or confounding factors</p> <p>Follow up: Groups were not followed up for the same length of time, length of follow up was appropriate.</p> <p>Unclear if groups were comparable with regard to systematic differences to those that did not complete treatment. Outcome data was available for all participants.</p> <p>There was not a precise definition of outcome for adverse events however adherence was defined. Unclear if a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome.</p> <p>This study was terminated early by its pharmaceutical sponsor prior to reaching the planned number of eligible subjects.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomized 44 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifabutin 300 mg and isoniazid = 16 • rifabutin 600 mg and isoniazid = 14 • Isoniazid 300 mg alone = 14 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>HIV infected</p> <p>Age 18 or older</p> <p>PPD skin test positive (≥ 5 mm)</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Pregnant</p> <p>Suspected active tuberculosis</p> <p>CD4 cell count $< 200/\text{mm}^3$</p> <p>Haemoglobin $< 9 \text{ g/dl}$</p> <p>Platelets $< 75000/\text{mm}^3$</p> |

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| Bibliographic reference | Matteelli,A., Olliaro,P., et al. (1999). Tolerability of twice-weekly rifabutin-isoniazid combinations versus daily isoniazid for latent tuberculosis in HIV-infected subjects: a pilot study. International Journal of Tuberculosis & Lung Disease. 3 (11) 1043-46. |
| | Neutrophil counts <1000/mm ³ Serum creatinine > 1.5 g/dl Aspartate aminotransferase (AST) or alanine aminotransferase (ALT) > 5 times the upper normal value Baseline characteristics Mean age = 31.5 years in the rifabutin groups and 34 years in the isoniazid alone group Mean weight ranged from 70.8 in group C to 72.1 in group A CD cell counts averaged 500/mm ³ in each group ALT values at baseline were abnormal in 50%, 29% and 43% of the subjects in the three groups respectively. |
| Intervention | Rifabutin 300 mg and isoniazid <ul style="list-style-type: none">• rifabutin 300 mg twice weekly, for 3 months• isoniazid 750 mg twice weekly, for 3 months Rifabutin 600 mg and isoniazid <ul style="list-style-type: none">• rifabutin 600 mg twice weekly, for 3 months• isoniazid 750 mg twice weekly, for 3 months |
| Comparison | Isoniazid alone <ul style="list-style-type: none">• isoniazid 300 mg twice weekly, for 6 months |
| Length of follow up | Average follow up length (mean) Rifabutin 300 mg and isoniazid = 18 months Rifabutin 600 mg and isoniazid = 19 months Isoniazid alone = 17 months |
| Location | Italy |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Treatment completion ≥ 80 % of the prescribed drug total amount taken <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rifabutin 300 mg and isoniazid = 13 of 16• Rifabutin 600 mg and isoniazid = 13 of 14• Isoniazid alone = 10 of 14 |

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| Source of funding | Farmitalia-Carlo Erba (Pharmacia-Upjohn) |
| Comments | |
| PPD ¹ - Purified protein derivative | |

A.2.16 Jimenez-Fuentes,M.A., de Souza-Galvao,M.L., et al. (2013)

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| Bibliographic reference | Jimenez-Fuentes,M.A., de Souza-Galvao,M.L., et al. (2013) Rifampicin plus isoniazid for the prevention of tuberculosis in an immigrant population. International Journal of Tuberculosis & Lung Disease 17 (3) 326-32. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest.</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: an appropriate method of randomisation was used and allocation was adequately concealed.</p> <p>Groups were not comparable at baseline in regard to sex and illegal immigrant distribution</p> <p>Groups received same care apart from the intervention studied</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were not kept blind to allocation or confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: all groups were followed up for an equal length of time. Loss to follow up was significant, only 64.4 % of population available for evaluation at 5 years. Length of follow up was appropriate. Groups were not comparable for treatment completion; almost twice as many patients in the isoniazid group did not complete treatment.</p> <p>Outcome data was available for all randomised participants</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was available for adherence study and hepatotoxicity there was no real definition of outcome for TB outcome. Unclear if valid and reliable methods were used to determine onset of active TB.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>590 participants randomized</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months of isoniazid = 294 • 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 296 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>TST¹ positive (>5 mm in contacts, > 15 mm in other cases)</p> <p>Immigrants from countries with a TB incidence of > 40 cases per 100000</p> <p>Less than 5 years in Catalunya</p> <p>Aged 12-40 years</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>No evidence of active TB (on chest Xray)</p> <p>History of TB</p> <p>Known TST¹ positivity</p> <p>Pregnancy or lactation</p> <p>Hepatopathy</p> |

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| | 6H ² n = 294 | 3RH ³ n = 296 | Total n = 590 | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Eastern Europe | 150 | 138 | 288 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Administrative status | 141 | 106 | 247 | 0.001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| legal immigration | 153 | 190 | 343 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Smoking | 68 | 92 | 160 | 0.06 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alcohol >40 g/day | 15 | 21 | 36 | 0.16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Illegal drug use | 18 | 20 | 38 | 0.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 296 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid: 5 mg/kg/day, for 3 months Rifampicin: 10 mg/kg/day (maximum 600 mg/day) <p>Treatment was self-administered in a daily oral dose.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>6 months of isoniazid = 294 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid: 5 mg/kg/day, for 6 months <p>Treatment was self-administered in a daily oral dose.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | 5 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Barcelona, Spain | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Adherence</p> <p>Defined as taking 80 % of the prescribed dose (confirmed by urine testing)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months of isoniazid = 154 of 294 • 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 213 of 296 <p>Data was calculated using percentages stated in the study.</p> |
| | <p>Incidence of active tuberculosis:</p> <p>Assessed on the basis of a telephone interview, or checking case records for diagnosis of tuberculosis:</p> <p>Amongst treatment adherent patients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months of isoniazid = 0 of 213 • 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 0 of 154 • Amongst treatment non-adherent patients: • 6 months of isoniazid = 1 of 83 • 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 1 of 140 |
| | <p>Hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Slight defined as liver enzymes < 3 times the normal level</p> <p>Moderate defined as 3-5 times the normal level</p> <p>Severe defined as > 5 times the normal level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months of isoniazid = 27 of 294 cases • slight = 17 • moderate = 9 • severe = 1 • 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 20 of 296 • slight = 16 • moderate = 4 • severe = 0 • P value • slight = 0.8 • moderate = 0.1 • severe = 0.3 • i.e. not significant |

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| | Gastrointestinal Nausea or vomiting without hepatotoxicity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 months of isoniazid = 24 of 294• 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 23 of 296• P value = 0.8• i.e. not significant |
| | Cutaneous toxicity Rash, pruritis, photosensitivity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 months of isoniazid = 5 of 294• 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 8 of 296• P value = 0.4• i.e. not significant |
| | Headache <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 months of isoniazid = 8 of 294• 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid = 5 of 296• P value = 0.4• i.e. not significant |
| Source of funding | Grant from Spanish Society of Pneumology and Thoracic Surgery |
| Comments | |

¹TST- tuberculin skin test²6H – isoniazid 6 months³3RH – 3 months of rifampicin and isoniazid

A.2.17 White,M.C., Tulsky,J.P., et al. (2012)

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| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: unclear if an appropriate method of randomization was used, unclear if treatment group allocation was concealed.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline</p> <p>Groups received the same care apart from intervention studied</p> <p>Blinding: Neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were not blinded to either treatment allocation or other confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: unclear if groups were followed up following treatment course. Groups were comparable for treatment completion and availability of outcome data. Number that did not complete regimen was high in both groups.</p> <p>The study used a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomized = 362</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid group = 184 • Rifampicin group = 180 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Inmates in San Francisco City and County Jail</p> <p>Diagnosed with LTBI</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>History of drug intolerance</p> <p>Pregnancy or breast feeding</p> <p>Aminotransferases > 3 times upper limit of normal</p> <p>Bilirubin > 2 times upper limit of normal</p> <p>Platelets < 150 k/mm³</p> <p>Taking protease inhibitors or nonnucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors</p> <p>Not English or Spanish speaking</p> <p>Not in routine level of jail security</p> <p>Known transfer or imminent deportation</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> |

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| | | INH ² | RIF ³ | P value |
| | Gender m/f | 173/11 | 166/14 | 0.5 |
| | Age <35 ≥35 | 138 46 | 120 60 | 0.08 |
| | Drug Alcohol Problem Yes no | 100 84 | 86 94 | 0.21 |
| | On INH ² before Yes No | 23 161 | 28 152 | 0.40 |
| | Health status Poor Fair Good Very good excellent | 15 45 63 38 23 | 17 52 54 37 20 | 0.83 |
| Intervention | <p>Rifampicin group = 180</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rifampicin: 600 mg daily, for 4 months <p>Treatment was given by directly observed therapy both in jail and in the community.</p> | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Isoniazid group = 184</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid: 900 mg twice weekly, for 9 months <p>Treatment was given by directly observed therapy both in jail and in the community.</p> | | | |
| Length of follow up | 3 months following treatment | | | |
| Location | San Francisco City and County Jail, USA | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Elevated LFTs</p> <p>From any baseline to aminotransferases > 3 times upper limit of normal</p> | | | |

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| | 2 weeks % (N tested) | 4 weeks % (N tested) | 8 weeks % (N tested) | 12 weeks % (N tested) | 16 weeks % (N tested) | 32 weeks % (N tested) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| INH in community | - | 5 (20) | 5 (20) | 0 (19) | 0 (25) | 4 (27) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| RIF in jail | 1 (131) | 0 (82) | 0 (60) | 3 (40) | 0 (33) | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | <p>Gastrointestinal symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid group = 19 of 184 Rifampicin group = 16 of 180 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p>Rash/pruritis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid group = 12 of 184 Rifampicin group = 16 of 180 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p>Central nervous system (unclear definition)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid group = 20 of 184 Rifampicin group = 6 of 180 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p>Allergy (rash, shortness of breath, oxygen saturations)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid group = 0 of 184 Rifampicin group = 1 of 180 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Award from National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| ¹ TST- tuberculin skin test | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ² INH- isoniazid | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ³ RIF- rifampicin | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: an appropriate system of randomisation was used using a sequential list of random numbers. Allocation was most likely adequately concealed although sealed envelopes were not explicitly stated as opaque.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline</p> <p>Groups received the same care apart from intervention under study</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were blinded to treatment allocation. Investigators were blinded to treatment allocation for the most part although blinding was made difficult by the discolouration of bodily fluids in the rifampicin treatment groups.</p> <p>Follow up: all groups were followed up for an adequate length of time and analysis was adjusted to allow for any differences between groups.</p> <p>Groups were comparable for treatment completion and availability of outcome data.</p> <p>The study used a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method was used to determine the outcome</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>2736 individuals randomized</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placebo group = 464 • Isoniazid group = 536 • Isoniazid and rifampicin group = 556 • Isoniazid, rifampicin and pyrazinamide = 462 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Included</p> <p>Aged 18 or above</p> <p>HIV type 1</p> <p>PPD¹ positive ≥ 5 mm (although anergy cohort was run alongside)</p> <p>Karnofsky performance score of > 50</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Active tuberculosis</p> <p>Previous treatment for TB</p> <p>Antiretroviral drugs use</p> |

| | <p>White cell count < 3000 per mm³ Haemoglobin level < 80 g/L Aspartate aminotransferase level > 90 U per litre Serum creatinine level over 1.8 mg per decilitre Positive pregnancy test Residence more than 20 miles from a project clinic Advanced HIV disease Major underlying medical illness Baseline characteristics</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|-----------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|----------|----|----|----|----|-------------|----|----|----|----|-----------------------------|----|----|----|----|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------------|----|----|----|----|-------------------------|----|----|----|----|
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| | Placebo n=464 | Isoniazid n=536 | Isoniazid-rifampicin n=556 | Isoniazid-rifampicin-pyrazinamide n=462 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male (%) | 31 | 31 | 29 | 34 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean age yr | 30 | 29 | 29 | 29 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Karnofsky performance score | 91 | 91 | 91 | 91 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Person years of observation | 616 | 645 | 680 | 577 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PPD skin test mm | 14 | 14 | 13 | 14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Completion of trial (%) | 89 | 88 | 86 | 80 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid group = 536</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 6 months <p>Isoniazid and rifampicin group = 556</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 3 months rifampicin: 600 mg daily, for 3 months <p>Isoniazid, rifampicin and pyrazinamide = 462</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 3 months rifampicin: 600 mg daily, for 3 months pyrazinamide: 2000 mg daily, for 3 months All treatments were self-administered | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Comparison | Placebo= 464 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ascorbic acid: 250 mg daily, for 6 months | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Length of follow up | 2 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Uganda | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Definite or probable tuberculosis Culture-confirmed case = definite Clinical illness consistent with TB: radiography consistent with pulmonary TB, smear positive for acid fast bacilli, response to anti tuberculosis therapy.= probable</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | No of cases | Rate (cases per 100 person-years) | Crude RR ² (95% CI) | P value | Adjusted RR ² | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Placebo | 21 | 3.41 | 1.0 | | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Isoniazid | 7 | 1.08 | 0.33 (0.14-0.77) | 0.01 | 0.32 (0.14-0.76) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Isoniazid, rifampicin | 9 | 1.32 | 0.40 (0.18- 0.86) | 0.02 | 0.41 (0.19-0.89) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Isoniazid, rifampicin, pyrazinamide | 10 | 1.73 | 0.51 (0.24-1.08) | 0.08 | 0.43 (0.20-0.92) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Adjusted for age, sex, white cell count, haemoglobin level, karnofsky score, body mass index, history of HIV related infection and presence of chronic diarrhoea. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Deaths | Rate | RR ² (95% CI ³) | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Placebo | 64 | 10.2 | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Isoniazid, rifampicin | 57 | 8.3 | 0.8 (0.5-1.2) | 0.25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | pyrazinamide | | | | | | | | | |
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| Adverse events | | | | | | | | | | |
| Incidence of reported adverse events and the number for which it was the cause of discontinuation of therapy | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Cumulative incidence of reported adverse events (%) | Mild reaction | Moderate reaction | Severe reaction | Discontinuation of therapy | | | | | |
| Placebo | 23 (5.0) | 23 (5.0) | 0 | 0 | 1 (0.2) | | | | | |
| Isoniazid | 60 (11.2) | 56 (10.4) | 4 (0.7) | 0 | 3 (0.6) | | | | | |
| Isoniazid, rifampicin | 54 (9.7) | 48 (8.6) | 6 (1.1) | 0 | 13 (2.3) | | | | | |
| Isoniazid, rifampicin, pyrazinamide | 114 (24.7) | 101 (21.9) | 12 (2.6) | 1 (0.2) | 26 (5.6) | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Grant from Fogarty International Center at the National Institutes of Health | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | | | | | | | | | | |
| ¹ PPD- purified protein derivative | | | | | | | | | | |
| ² RR- risk ratio | | | | | | | | | | |
| ³ CI- confidence interval | | | | | | | | | | |

A.2.19 Swaminathan,S., Menon,P.A., et al. (2012)

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| Bibliographic reference | Swaminathan,S., Menon,P.A., et al. (2012) Efficacy of a six-month versus a 36-month regimen for prevention of tuberculosis in HIV-infected persons in India: a randomized clinical trial. PLoS ONE [Electronic Resource] 7 (12) e47400. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population does not match population of interest, however subgroup analysis is possible for patients > 5 mm TST³ positive.</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>An appropriate method of computerised block randomisation was used. Allocation was concealed in sequentially numbered opaque envelopes.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline. Groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied.</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators were blinded to treatment allocation however unclear if blinded to all confounding factors.</p> <p>All groups were followed up for an equal amount of time, groups were comparable for numbers who did not complete treatment and for whom there was no outcome data. Unclear if there were systematic differences between groups for these participants.</p> <p>An appropriate length of follow up was used.</p> <p>Intention to treat analysis was used</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was used and a valid and reliable method used to determine the outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomised = 712</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethambutol and isoniazid = 357 • 36 months, isoniazid = 355 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>HIV infected</p> <p>Age > 18 years</p> <p>Normal chest radiograph</p> <p>Haemoglobin ≥ 70 g/L</p> <p>Granulocyte count ≥ 1.1 x 10⁹/L</p> <p>Platelet count ≥ 100 x 10⁹/L</p> <p>Serum alanine amino transferase ≤ 2.5 times upper limit of normal</p> <p>Serum creatinine concentration < 1.1 mg%</p> <p>Random plasma sugar < 140 mg%</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Past or current evidence of TB disease</p> |

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| | Baseline characteristics | | | | | |
| | | 6 months of ethambutol and isoniazid n=344 | | 36 months of isoniazid n=339 | | |
| | Age (mean±SD ¹), years | 29.9±7 | | 30.2±7 | | |
| | Weight (mean±SD ¹) kgs | 51±10 | | 50±10 | | |
| | Females n (%) | 218 (63) | | 212 (63) | | |
| | Age distribution | N | % | N | | |
| | <25 years | 106 | 30 | 97 | | |
| | 25-40 years | 208 | 61 | 216 | | |
| | >40 years | 30 | 9 | 26 | | |
| | TST Induration (mean), mm | 7.6 | | 7.2 | | |
| | CD4 count, median, cells/mm ³ | 326 | | 324 | | |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid and ethambutol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 6 months • ethambutol: 800 mg daily, for 6 months • pyridoxine:10 mg daily, for 6 months • co-trimoxazole DS: one tablet daily for 6 months if CD4 count <250 cells/mm³ <p>Self administration</p> | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Isoniazid alone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • isoniazid: 300 mg daily, for 36 months • pyridoxine:10 mg daily, for 6 months • co-trimoxazole DS: one tablet daily for 6 months if CD4 count <250 cells/mm³ <p>Self administration</p> | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | None beyond treatment period | | | | | |
| Location | India | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and | Incidence of TB | | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Swaminathan,S., Menon,P.A., et al. (2012) Efficacy of a six-month versus a 36-month regimen for prevention of tuberculosis in HIV-infected persons in India: a randomized clinical trial. PLoS ONE [Electronic Resource] 7 (12) e47400. | | |
| effect size | <p>Definite: positive mycobacterial culture Probable: clinical, radiographic, histopathological or biochemical features based on review by blinded panel. Primary analysis was a modified intent to treat analysis</p> | | |
| | | 6 months, isoniazid and ethambutol n=141 | 36 months isoniazid, n=132 |
| | TB incidence/100 personyears (95% CI ²) | 3.18 (1.38-4.97) | 1.81 (0.69-3.04) |
| | Adjusted incidence rate ratio (95% CI ²) | 1.48 (0.55, 3.96) | reference |
| | TB incidence/100 personyears (95% CI ²) per protocol analysis | 2.80 (1.06-4.70) | 1.84 (0.37-3.32) |
| | Adjusted incidence rate ratio (95% CI ²), per protocol analysis | 1.57 (0.50, 4.9) | reference |
| | <p>Mortality Incidence per 100 person years Primary analysis was a modified intent to treat analysis</p> | | |
| | | 6 months, isoniazid and ethambutol n=141 | 36 months isoniazid, n=132 |
| | Mortality/100 personyears (95% CI ²) | 2.91 (1.19-4.63) | 2.53 (1.21-3.85) |
| | Adjusted incidence rate ratio (95% CI ²) | 1.51 (0.56, 4.02) | reference |
| | Mortality/100 personyears (95% CI ²) per protocol analysis | 3.08 (1.26-4.89) | 2.15 (0.56-3.74) |
| | Adjusted incidence rate ratio (95% CI ²), per protocol analysis | 1.43 (0.53, 3.8) | reference |
| Source of funding | World Health Organisation, United States Agency for International Development | | |
| Comments | | | |
| ¹ SD- standard deviation | | | |
| ² CI- confidence interval | | | |
| ³ TST- tuberculin skin test | | | |

A.2.20 Sterling,T.R., Villarino,M.E., et al. (2011)

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| Bibliographic reference | Sterling,T.R., Villarino,M.E., et al.(2011). Three months of rifapentine and isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection New England Journal of Medicine 365 (23) 2155-66. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Unclear if population matches population of interest, some uncertainty around whether TST¹ negative participants were included in the analysis. No subgroup data available.</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>An appropriate method of randomisation was used, randomising treatment by household (cluster). Unclear whether treatment allocation was adequately concealed</p> <p>Groups were not comparable at baseline in regard to numbers of participants who were homeless or native American.</p> <p>Groups did not receive the same standard of care aside from intervention studied. Combination therapy was given directly observed, isoniazid was self-administered.</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were blinded to treatment allocation. Investigators were not blinded to treatment allocation or other confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: groups were followed up for an equal length of time. Unclear how many participants did not complete treatment within each group. Groups were comparable for number for which there is no outcome data available. Length of follow up was appropriate.</p> <p>Intention to treat principle was followed</p> <p>A precise definition of outcome was used. Valid and reliable method was used to determine outcome.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>7731 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid only= 3745 • Isoniazid and rifapentine= 3986 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Aged ≥12 years of age</p> <p>Close contact of a patient with culture confirmed TB</p> <p>Positive TST¹</p> <p>HIV infection with positive TST¹ result</p> <p>Fibrotic changes on chest radiography with TST positive test</p> <p>Criteria expanded to also include:</p> <p>Children between the ages of 2 to 4 years with positive TST and close contact</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Confirmed or expected tuberculosis</p> |

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| | Resistance to isoniazid Received treatment with rifamycin or isoniazid within the past 2 years Previous treatment for tuberculosis Serum aspartate aminotransferase > 5 times the upper limit of normal Pregnancy or lactation HIV therapy within 90 days after enrolment Weight of less than 10 kg Baseline characteristics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Isoniazid only n=3745 | Combination therapy n=3986 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Close contact with a patient with tuberculosis | 972 | 953 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| HIV infection | 90 | 89 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fibrosis on chest radiograph | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age- yr | 35 | 36 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Median | 25-46 | 25-47 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interquartile range | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male sex | 2004 | 2210 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HIV infection | 100 | 105 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Race or ethnicity | 2160 | 2296 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White | 947 | 978 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Black | 490 | 494 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Asian | 33 | 84 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Native American | 115 | 134 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Risk factors | 175 | 221 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| History of incarceration | 390 | 424 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Unemployed | 1888 | 1929 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| History of alcohol use | 136 | 149 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| History of injection drug use | 220 | 293 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Bibliographic reference | Sterling,T.R., Villarino,M.E., et al.(2011). Three months of rifapentine and isoniazid for latent tuberculosis infection New England Journal of Medicine 365 (23) 2155-66. | | |
| | Homelessness Current smoker | 1034 | 1112 |
| | Liver disease Hepatitis C Hepatitis B | 97 60 | 99 42 |
| Intervention | <p>Rifapentine and isoniazid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rifapentine: 900 mg once weekly, for 3 months • incremental adjustment for subjects weighing ≤ 50 kg • isoniazid 15-25 mg per kg of body weight rounded up to nearest 50 mg (maximum 900 mg) • once weekly, for 3 months <p>Doses given under directly observed therapy.</p> | | |
| Comparison | <p>Isoniazid alone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • isoniazid: 5 to 15 mg per kilogram, rounded up to the nearest 50 mg, maximum dose 300 mg • daily, for 9 months <p>Self administered</p> | | |
| Length of follow up | 33 months | | |
| Location | United States, Canada, Brazil, Spain | | |

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| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of Tuberculosis Incidence of TB and Event rates | | | | | | |
| | No. of subjects | No. with tuberculosis | No. per patient year | Cumulative rate | Difference in cumulative rate | Upper limit of 95% CI for difference | |
| Modified Intention to treat analysis | | | | | | | |
| Isoniazid only | 3745 | 15 | 0.16 | 0.43 | -0.24 | 0.01 | |
| Combination therapy | 3986 | 7 | 0.07 | 0.19 | | | |
| Per protocol analysis | | | | | | | |
| Isoniazid only | 2585 | 8 | 0.11 | 0.32 | -0.19 | 0.06 | |
| Combination therapy | 3273 | 4 | 0.05 | 0.13 | | | |
| | Permanent drug discontinuation Number who discontinued treatment: For any reason <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isoniazid alone group = 1160 of 3745 (who received at least one dose of study drug)• Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 713 of 3986• P-value = <0.001 Because of an adverse event <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isoniazid alone group = 139 of 3745• Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 196 of 3986• P-value = 0.009 | | | | | | |
| | Mortality Number of deaths <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isoniazid alone group = 39 of 3745• Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 31 of 3986 | | | | | | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P-value = 0.22 |
| | <p>Hepatotoxicity</p> <p>Unclear definition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid alone group = 103 of 3759 • Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 18 of 4040 • P-value = <0.001 |
| | <p>Rash</p> <p>Unclear definition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid alone group = 21 of 3759 • Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 31 of 4040 • P-value = 0.26 |
| | <p>Hypersensitivity</p> <p>Possible hypersensitivity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid alone group = 17 of 3759 • Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 152 of 4040 • P-value = <0.001 |
| | <p>Severity of adverse event</p> <p>Grade1 or 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid alone group = 341 of 3759 • Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 310 of 4040 • P-value = 0.03 <p>Grade 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid alone group = 202 of 3759 • Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 193 of 4040 • P-value = 0.24 |

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| | Grade 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid alone group = 42 of 3759 • Rifapentine and isoniazid group = 36 of 4040 • P-value = 0.32 |
| Source of funding | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention |
| Comments | Dr Sterling reports receiving research grant funding from Bristol-Myers Squibb and Pfizer for HIV observational studies, Dr Hamilton, being employed by Family Health International; Dr Weiner, receiving research grant funding from Sanofi-Aventis; Dr Hordburgh, receiving payments from Otuska America Pharmaceutical for scientific reviews of study protocols. |
| ¹ TST- tuberculin Skin Test | |

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| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Unclear if an appropriate method of randomisation was used</p> <p>Unclear if there was adequate concealment of allocation</p> <p>Groups were not comparable at baseline since randomisation occurred in two periods and the population examined was different during the second period with an increased number of immigrants.</p> <p>The comparison groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied</p> <p>Blinding: neither participants nor clinicians were kept blind to treatment allocation. Investigators reviewing radiographs were kept blind to patient's treatment allocation and other confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: varied in length between treatment groups: patients in study group A and B were followed up for longer than those in groups C and D. Groups were not comparable for treatment completion: participants in the isoniazid alone group had a lower rate of completion. Length of follow up was appropriate.</p> <p>Unclear if groups were comparable for the availability of outcome data.</p> <p>Definition of outcome was unclear, for example parents were instructions regarding the recognition of symptoms that may suggest drug related adverse events.</p> <p>A valid and reliable method to determine outcomes was not used, for example parents were responsible for performing urine tests to record adherence and blood tests to detect liver toxicity were not performed routinely.</p> <p>Study was performed in two periods with separate randomisation meaning that some comparisons were indirect between study groups.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomised= 926</p> <p>isoniazid, 9 months= 232</p> <p>isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months, period 1= 238</p> <p>isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months, period 2= 236</p> <p>isoniazid and rifampicin, 3 months = 220</p> |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Children aged < 15 years</p> <p>Asymptomatic with positive TST¹ results</p> <p>Normal chest radiograph findings, or inactive fibrotic or calcified parenchymal and/or lymph node lesions</p> |

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| | Exclusion History of positive BCG vaccination Known immunodeficiency or other chronic conditions that may influence TST ¹ result | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Doses were given by parents at home | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | isoniazid, 9 months= 7-11 years isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months, period 1= 7-11 years isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months, period 2= 3-7 years isoniazid and rifampicin, 3 months = 3-7 years Participants were followed up for at least 3 years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | Athens, Greece | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Tuberculosis incidence New radiographic findings indicating “possible active disease.” No cases of clinical TB were documented at the end of therapy and during follow up in any of the study groups. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">Period 1</th> <th></th> <th colspan="2">Period 2</th> <th></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Fibrosis or calcification</td> <td>isoniazid, 9 months. N=232</td> <td>Isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months. N=238</td> <td>P value</td> <td>Isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months. N= 236</td> <td>Isoniazid and rifampicin, 3 months. N = 220</td> <td>P value</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lung parenchyma</td> <td>12</td> <td>10</td> <td>NS</td> <td>8</td> <td>7</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lymph nodes</td> <td>63</td> <td>62</td> <td>NS</td> <td>75</td> <td>73</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lung parenchyma and lymph nodes</td> <td>42</td> <td>55</td> <td>NS</td> <td>68</td> <td>60</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Normal</td> <td>115</td> <td>111</td> <td>NS</td> <td>85</td> <td>80</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | Period 1 | | | Period 2 | | | Fibrosis or calcification | isoniazid, 9 months. N=232 | Isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months. N=238 | P value | Isoniazid and rifampicin, 4 months. N= 236 | Isoniazid and rifampicin, 3 months. N = 220 | P value | Lung parenchyma | 12 | 10 | NS | 8 | 7 | NS | Lymph nodes | 63 | 62 | NS | 75 | 73 | NS | Lung parenchyma and lymph nodes | 42 | 55 | NS | 68 | 60 | NS | Normal | 115 | 111 | NS | 85 | 80 | NS |
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| | Adherence Excellent if patients sent positive urine strips and followed appointments without delay Moderate if patients had to be reminded with telephone contact by the study nurse to send urine strips or to return for follow up visits Poor if no medication was detected in > two urine strips in the 9 month isoniazid group and ≥1 times in the 3-4 month treatment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | protocols or if patients did not return for follow up visits, despite having received reminder phone calls, or if they were lost to follow up. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Nausea/epigastric pain | 13 | 7 | NS | 2 | 2 | NS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Discontinuation by family physician | 5 | 18 | 0.005 | 9 | 5 | NS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Poor understanding of instruction | 9 | 7 | NS | 2 | 3 | NS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of funding | Second Department of Pediatrics of Athens University | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comments | TST ¹ - tuberculin skin test | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

A.2.22 Byrd,R.B., Horn,B.R., Griggs,G.A.(1997)

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| Study type | RCT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Study quality | <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: An appropriate method of randomisation was used; random number table with allocation concealment.</p> <p>Groups were comparable at baseline</p> <p>Comparison groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied</p> <p>Blinding: participants and clinicians were blinded to treatment allocation. Investigators were blinded to allocation but unclear if blinded to other confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: Unclear if groups were followed up beyond the 3 month treatment period. Unclear if groups were followed up for an equal amount of time; the placebo group were crossed over to treatment group following 3 months and were followed up for a further 3 months. Unclear if follow up length was adequate.</p> <p>The study used a precise definition of outcome and a valid and reliable method was used to determine outcome.</p> <p>As mentioned, this trial incorporated a cross over element to the placebo group. The crossed over participants went on to add to the data collected on the treatment arm of the study but it is unclear to what extent this effected the data as results are reported in percentages and numbers cannot be separated.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomised = 120</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid group= 60 • Placebo group= 60 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Aged > 17 years</p> <p>Latent TB criteria as advocated by the American Thoracic Society of 1974</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Evidence of clinical liver disease</p> <p>Baseline SGOT¹ test of greater than 20 IU</p> <p>Presence of co-existing non tuberculosis disease likely to result in death within a short period of time</p> <p>Individuals who believed they would be transferred to other areas within six months</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td></td> <td>Isoniazid group= 60</td> <td>Placebo group= 60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Age</td> <td>19</td> <td>22</td> </tr> <tr> <td><30</td> <td>23</td> <td>25</td> </tr> </table> | | | | Isoniazid group= 60 | Placebo group= 60 | Age | 19 | 22 | <30 | 23 | 25 |
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| | 30-39 >40 | 18 | 13 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Sex Male Female | 44 16 | 44 16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Race White Black Other Unknown | 46 11 1 2 | 38 12 3 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Alcohol taken None or 1 oz a day >1 oz a day | 43 17 | 40 20 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intervention | <p>Isoniazid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isoniazid: 300mg daily, for 9 months Results taken from first 3 months of treatment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Placebo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Placebo tablet: daily, for 3 months Results taken from first 3 months of treatment, then an additional three months follow up in the treatment group. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Results taken from 3 months into the trial | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | <p>Hepatotoxicity</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">Percent abnormal</th> <th></th> </tr> <tr> <th>Month of therapy</th> <th>Isoniazid</th> <th>Placebo</th> <th>P value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>5.0</td> <td>3.3</td> <td>NS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>14.0</td> <td>3.4</td> <td><0.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>14.0</td> <td>1.7</td> <td><0.025</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | Percent abnormal | | | Month of therapy | Isoniazid | Placebo | P value | 1 | 5.0 | 3.3 | NS | 2 | 14.0 | 3.4 | <0.05 | 3 | 14.0 | 1.7 | <0.025 |
| | Percent abnormal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Month of therapy | Isoniazid | Placebo | P value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 5.0 | 3.3 | NS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 14.0 | 3.4 | <0.05 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 14.0 | 1.7 | <0.025 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Defined by a raised SGOT ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | Clinical symptoms of hepatotoxicity | | |
| | | Number of participants (percentage) during non cross over portion of trial. | |
| | | Isoniazid | Placebo |
| | Muscle aching | 18 (30.0) | 17 (28.3) |
| | Joint aching | 14 (23.3) | 11 (18.3) |
| | Flu-like symptoms | 8 (13.3) | 10 (16.7) |
| | Fever | 10 (16.7) | 4 (6.7) |
| | Chills | 9 (15.0) | 5 (8.3) |
| | Skin rash | 7 (11.7) | 6 (10.0) |
| | Clay colored stools | 6 (10.0) | 3 (5.0) |
| | Dark urine | 6 (10.0) | 0 (0.0) |
| | Anorexia | 5 (8.3) | 5 (8.3) |
| | Nausea | 2 (3.3) | 1 (1.7) |
| | Yellow cast to sclera | 1 (1.7) | 1 (1.7) |
| Source of funding | Unclear | | |
| Comments | SGOT ¹ - better known as serum aspartate aminotransferase | | |

A.2.23 Ferebee SH., Mount FW., Murray FJ.(1963)

| Bibliographic reference | Ferebee,S.H., Mount,F.W., Murray,F.J.(1963) A controlled trial of isoniazid prophylaxis in mental institutions. American Review of Respiratory Disease. 88 161-75. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--|---------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|--|--|--------|---------|--------|---------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|--|--|--|--|------|--------|------|--------|------|-------|--------|------|------|------|
| Study type | RCT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Study quality | <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Population does not match population of interest. TST¹ negative patients were included however subgroup analysis was possible</p> <p>Unclear if appropriate method of randomisation was used. Unclear if treatment allocation was concealed.</p> <p>Groups were not comparable at baseline in terms of mortality, weight and abnormal x-rays prior to enrolment.</p> <p>Groups received the same care apart from the intervention under study</p> <p>Blinding: both participants and clinicians were blinded to treatment allocation. Investigators were blinded to treatment allocation unclear if blinded to confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: groups were followed up for an equal length of time. Unclear if groups were comparable for treatment completion, unclear if groups were comparable for availability of outcome data. Follow up doesn't extend beyond treatment period.</p> <p>Study used a precise definition of outcome, however unclear how reliable diagnosis of active tuberculosis was; decision was made using a blinded review team looking at the patient history and available chest x-rays.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of patients | <p>Randomised= 25210</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placebo group= 12,326 • Isoniazid group= 12,884 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Patients admitted to psychiatric institutions</p> <p>Present on the wards before the end of the first month of the programme who took pills at any time during the year</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Patients on the wards who did not take any of the medication</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">Placebo n=12,326</th> <th colspan="2">Isoniazid n=12,884</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>number</th> <th>percent</th> <th>number</th> <th>percent</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sex</td> <td>5704</td> <td>46.4</td> <td>6276</td> <td>48.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male</td> <td>6613</td> <td>53.6</td> <td>6599</td> <td>51.2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Female</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Race</td> <td>10,916</td> <td>88.6</td> <td>11,187</td> <td>86.9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White</td> <td>11,187</td> <td>11.4</td> <td>1688</td> <td>13.1</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | Placebo n=12,326 | | Isoniazid n=12,884 | | | number | percent | number | percent | Sex | 5704 | 46.4 | 6276 | 48.8 | Male | 6613 | 53.6 | 6599 | 51.2 | Female | | | | | Race | 10,916 | 88.6 | 11,187 | 86.9 | White | 11,187 | 11.4 | 1688 | 13.1 |
| | Placebo n=12,326 | | Isoniazid n=12,884 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | number | percent | number | percent | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sex | 5704 | 46.4 | 6276 | 48.8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 6613 | 53.6 | 6599 | 51.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Female | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Race | 10,916 | 88.6 | 11,187 | 86.9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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|-----------------------------------|---|------|-----------------------|------------------------|------|
| | Black | | | | |
| | Present Hospitalisation | 1398 | 11.3 | 1766 | 13.7 |
| | < 2 years | 1699 | 13.8 | 2049 | 15.9 |
| | 2-4 years | 2332 | 18.9 | 2602 | 20.2 |
| | 5-9 years | 1762 | 14.3 | 1744 | 13.5 |
| | 10-14 years | 5110 | 41.5 | 4686 | 36.4 |
| | >15 years | 25 | 0.2 | 37 | 0.3 |
| | Not available | | | | |
| | Infection status | 1071 | 8.7 | 1216 | 9.5 |
| | Abnormal chest x ray | 6484 | 52.6 | 6403 | 49.7 |
| | TST ¹ positive | 3954 | 32.1 | 4333 | 33.6 |
| | TST ¹ negative | 817 | 6.6 | 932 | 7.2 |
| | Not known | | | | |
| Intervention | Isoniazid group | | | | |
| | In patients 15 years old or more: | | | | |
| | • Isoniazid: 300mg daily, for one year | | | | |
| | Children, younger than 15 years: | | | | |
| | • Isoniazid: proportionally smaller doses, unclear exact dosing, for one year | | | | |
| | • Average daily dose was 4.3 mg/kg of body weight for those receiving 100 mg a day; 5.0 mg/kg for 200 mg a day; 4.6 mg/kg for 300 mg a day. | | | | |
| Comparison | Placebo: | | | | |
| | • Matching pills daily, for one year | | | | |
| Length of follow up | None beyond treatment period | | | | |
| Location | Psychiatric institutions in Wisconsin, Georgia, Michigan, and Massachusetts | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of TB Number of cases of active tuberculosis developing during medication year | | Placebo group = 6,484 | Isoniazid group= 6,403 | |

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| | Cases | 7 | 0 |
| | Rate per 1000 | 1.1 | 0.0 |
| Number of cases developing after medication year Length of observation varied among institutes and the total of cases is not separated by time | | | |
| | | Placebo group = 6,484 | Isoniazid group= 6,403 |
| | Cases | 17 | 5 |
| Source of funding | National Tuberculosis Association | | |
| Comments | | | |
| ¹TST- tuberculin skin test | | | |

A.2.24 Debre,R., Perdrizet,S., et al.(1973)

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| Bibliographic reference | Debre,R., Perdrizet,S., et al. (1973) Isoniazid chemoprophylaxis of latent primary tuberculosis: in five trial centres in France from 1959 to 1969. International Journal of Epidemiology. 2 (2) 153-60. |
| Study type | RCT |
| Study quality | <p>Intervention matches intervention of interest</p> <p>Population matches population of interest</p> <p>Randomisation: Method was poor, involving separating participants by date of birth.</p> <p>Unclear if allocation was concealed</p> <p>Groups were not comparable at baseline for all major confounding factors, participants in the treatment group were younger.</p> <p>Comparison groups received the same care apart from the intervention studied. The treatment groups received “at least 5 months” to “over a year” of isoniazid; some variability within this group can be assumed.</p> <p>Blinding: Neither participants nor clinicians were blinded to treatment group. No placebo was offered to the control group.</p> <p>Investigators were neither blinded to participant’s treatment allocation or to other confounding factors.</p> <p>Follow up: all groups were followed up for an equal length of time. Unclear if groups were comparable for loss to follow up.</p> <p>Groups were not comparable for number of patients for whom outcome data was not available. Follow up was for an appropriate length of time.</p> <p>29% of those initially enrolled were later eliminated from the trial because of an altered treatment plan breaking the protocol.</p> <p>This lead to subsequent differences between study groups such as lower socio-economic status, greater contact with other family members with TB and poorer housing conditions in the isoniazid group.</p> <p>The study used a precise definition of outcome. A valid and reliable method was used to determine outcome based on clinical and radiological findings, however only a small proportion were biologically tested.</p> |
| Number of patients | <p>Participants= 2970</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isoniazid group= 1519 • Control group = 1451 |
| Patient characteristics | <p>Inclusion</p> <p>Aged 5 - 24 years</p> <p>Recent positive TST¹</p> <p>Exclusion</p> <p>Clinical or radiological signs of TB</p> <p>Previous BCG vaccination</p> <p>Baseline characteristics</p> |

| | | 5 to 9 years | 10 to 14 years | 15 to 24 years | Total number | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Control Group | 31.6 | 42.3 | 26.1 | 1451 | | | |
| | Isoniazid Group | 38.8 | 42.4 | 18.8 | 1519 | | | |
| | | Male (%) | | | Female (%) | | | |
| | Control Group, n= 1451 | 814 (56%) | | | 637 (44%) | | | |
| | Isoniazid Group, n= 1519 | 807 (53%) | | | 712 (47%) | | | |
| Intervention | Isoniazid group= 1519 • Isoniazid: between 5-15 mg per kg according to age of subject. Majority between 5-9 months of therapy | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | Control group = 1451 • No treatment | | | | | | | |
| Length of follow up | Up to 10 years | | | | | | | |
| Location | France | | | | | | | |
| Outcomes measures and effect size | Incidence of tuberculosis Number of cases diagnosed bacteriologically or by radiological findings with clinical symptoms: | | | | | | | |
| | | Observation Period | TB cases | Missing cases | Number under observation | | | |
| Control Group | First 6 months | 6 | 1 | 1451 | | | | |
| | Second 6 months | 1 | 6 | 1444 | | | | |
| | 2nd year | 4 | 3 | 1437 | | | | |
| | 3rd year | 2 | 4 | 1428 | | | | |
| | 4th year | 3 | 11 | 1344 | | | | |
| | 5th year | 1 | 10 | 1226 | | | | |
| | 6th year | 1 | 6 | 1063 | | | | |
| | 7th year | 2 | 8 | 910 | | | | |
| | 8th year | 2 | 7 | 762 | | | | |
| | 9th year | 1 | 5 | 588 | | | | |
| | 10th year | 1 | | 336 | | | | |
| | Total | 24 | 61 | | | | | |

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| Isoniazid Group | First 6 months | 2 | | 1519 |
| | Second 6 months | 1 | 2 | 1517 |
| | 2nd year | 1 | 6 | 1514 |
| | 3rd year | 2 | 6 | 1506 |
| | 4th year | 2 | 4 | 1423 |
| | 5th year | | 3 | 1309 |
| | 6th year | 1 | 10 | 1148 |
| | 7th year | | 7 | 964 |
| | 8th year | | 7 | 796 |
| | 9th year | 1 | 3 | 582 |
| | 10th year | | | 332 |
| | Total | 10 | 48 | |

"Missing" cases is not a term that is properly explained, it could be that these patients fit the criteria for exclusion.

| Mortality Number of Deaths | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| | Observation Period | Deaths | Number under observation |
| Control Group | First 6 months | | 1451 |
| | Second 6 months | | 1444 |
| | 2nd year | 2 | 1437 |
| | 3rd year | 1 | 1428 |
| | 4th year | | 1344 |
| | 5th year | | 1226 |
| | 6th year | 1 | 1063 |
| | 7th year | | 910 |
| | 8th year | 1 | 762 |
| | 9th year | 1 | 588 |
| | 10th year | 1 | 336 |
| | Total | 7 | |

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|----------------------------|--|-----------------|------|
| | | | |
| | Isoniazid Group | First 6 months | 1519 |
| | | Second 6 months | 1517 |
| | | 2nd year | 1 |
| | | 3rd year | 2 |
| | | 4th year | |
| | | 5th year | |
| | | 6th year | 1 |
| | | 7th year | 1 |
| | | 8th year | 1 |
| | | 9th year | |
| | | 10th year | 1 |
| | | Total | 7 |
| Source of funding | Supported by I.N.S.E.R.M. and Social Security Department | | |
| Comments | | | |
| ¹TST- Tuberculin Skin Test | | | |

