Herpes Simplex (HSV) & Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Review

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Genital Herpes
Herpes Simplex Virus Infections

HSV-1 AND GENITAL INFECTION

• Classically we think of HSV-2 when we think of genital HSV infection
  – “above and below the waist” rule
• Australian MSM study revealed incident HSV-1 infection more common in
  – Younger age
  – Those reporting insertive oral sex with “casual” partners
• US University Health Service
  – HSV-1 more common in females
  – Nearly 50% increase in newly diagnosed HSV-1 between 1993-2001

ISOLATION OF HSV-1 AND HSV-2 ACCORDING TO SEXUAL ORIENTATION

Initial Episodes of Genital Herpes (Harborview Medical Center)

HSV-1 46.9%
HSV-2 53.1%

HSV-1 12.9%
HSV-2 87.1%

MSM
Heterosexual Men

DEFINITIONS OF INFECTION TYPES

First Clinical Episode
• Primary infection
  – First infection ever with either HSV-1 or HSV-2
  – No antibody present when symptoms appear
  – Disease is more severe than recurrent disease
• Non-primary infection
  – Newly acquired HSV-1 or HSV-2 infection in an individual previously seropositive to the other virus
  – Symptoms usually milder than primary infection
  – Antibody to new infection may take several weeks to a few months to appear

DEFINITIONS OF INFECTION TYPES

Recurrent symptomatic infection
• Antibody present when symptoms appear
• Disease usually mild and short in duration

Asymptomatic infection
• Serum antibody is present
• No known history of clinical outbreaks
FIRST EPISODE PRIMARY INFECTION

- Characterized by multiple lesions that are more severe, last longer (11-12 days), and have higher titers of virus than recurrent infections
- Typical lesion progression: papules → vesicles → pustules → ulcers → crusts → healed
- Often associated with systemic symptoms including fever, headache, malaise, and myalgia
- Illness lasts 2-4 weeks

FIRST EPISODE PRIMARY INFECTION WITHOUT TREATMENT (CONTINUED)

- Local symptoms include pain, itching, dysuria, vaginal or urethral discharge, and tender inguinal adenopathy
- Median duration of viral shedding detected by culture (from the onset of lesions to the last positive culture) is ~ 12 days
- HSV cervicitis occurs in most primary HSV-2 (70-90%) and primary HSV-1 (~70%) infections

RECURRENT INFECTION

- Prodromal symptoms are common
  - Localized tingling, irritation
  - Begin 12-24 hours before lesions
- Much shorter duration of sx (5-7 days)
- Symptoms tend to be less severe than in primary infection with fewer ulcers and no systemic symptoms
- HSV-2 primary infection more prone to recur than HSV-1

ASYMPTOMATIC VIRAL SHEDDING

- Most HSV-2 is transmitted during asymptomatic shedding
- Rates of asymptomatic shedding greater in HSV-2 than HSV-1
- Rates of asymptomatic shedding are highest in new infections (<2 years) and gradually decrease over time
- Asymptomatic shedding episodes are of shorter duration than shedding during clinical recurrences
- Medications reduce but DO NOT eradicate shedding

COMPARISON OF HSV-2 VS. HSV-1

- HSV-2 and HSV-1 have different disease courses
- HSV-2 tends be more severe
- HSV-2 More Frequent Recurrences
  - Median ~4 vs. HSV-1 <1
- HSV-2 More Extensive Asymptomatic Shedding
- HSV2 - attenuated by prior infection with HSV1-Ab

COMPLICATIONS OF GENITAL INFECTION

- Aseptic meningitis
  - More common in primary than recurrent infection
  - Generally no neurological sequelae
- Rare complications include:
  - Stomatitis and pharyngitis
  - Radicular pain, sacral parathesias
  - Transverse myelitis
  - Autonomic dysfunction
**Principles of Management of Genital Herpes**

- Counseling should include natural history, sexual and perinatal transmission, and methods to reduce transmission
- Antiviral chemotherapy
  - Partially controls symptoms of herpes
  - Does not eradicate latent virus
  - Does not affect risk, frequency or severity of recurrences after drug is discontinued

**Management of First Clinical Episode of Genital Herpes**

- Manifestations of first clinical episode may become severe or prolonged
- Antiviral therapy should be used
  - Dramatic effect, especially if symptoms <7 days and primary infection (no prior HSV-1)

**CDC-Recommended Regimens for First Clinical Episode**

- Acyclovir 400 mg orally 3 times a day for 7-10 days,
  - or
- Acyclovir 200 mg orally 5 times a day for 7-10 days,
  - or
- Famciclovir 250 mg orally 3 times a day for 7-10 days,
  - or
- Valacyclovir 1 g orally twice a day for 7-10 days

**Recurrent Episodes of Genital Herpes**

- Most patients with symptomatic, first-episode genital HSV-2 experience recurrent outbreaks
- Episodic and suppressive treatment regimens are available
- Treatment options should be discussed with ALL patients

**Suppressive Therapy for Recurrent Genital Herpes**

- Reduces frequency of recurrences
  - By 70%-80% in patients with > 6 recurrences per year
  - Also effective in those with less frequent recurrences
- Reduces but does not eliminate subclinical viral shedding
- Periodically (e.g., once a year), reassess need for continued suppressive therapy

**CDC-Recommended Regimens for Suppressive Therapy**

- Acyclovir 400 mg orally twice a day, or
- Famciclovir 250 mg orally twice a day, or
- Valacyclovir 500 mg orally once a day, or
- Valacyclovir 1 g orally once a day
**EPISODIC TREATMENT FOR RECURRENT GENITAL HERPES**

- Ameliorates or shortens duration of lesions
- Requires initiation of therapy within 1 day of lesion onset
- Provide patient with a supply of drug or a prescription and instructions to self-initiate treatment immediately when symptoms begin

**CDC-RECOMMENDED REGIMENS FOR EPISODIC THERAPY**

- Acyclovir 400 mg orally 3 times a day for 5 days, or
- Acyclovir 800 mg orally twice a day for 5 days, or
- Acyclovir 800 mg orally 3 times a day for 2 days, or
- Famciclovir 125 mg orally twice a day for 5 days, or
- Famciclovir 1000 mg orally twice a day for 1 day, or
- Valacyclovir 500 mg orally twice a day for 3 days, or
- Valacyclovir 1 g orally once a day for 5 days

**HERPES IN HIV-INFECTED PERSONS**

- HIV-infected persons may have prolonged, severe, or atypical episodes of genital, perianal, or oral herpes
- HSV shedding is increased in HIV-infected persons
- Treatment guidelines are a bit different

**CDC-RECOMMENDED REGIMENS FOR DAILY SUPPRESSIVE THERAPY IN HIV-INFECTED PERSONS**

- Acyclovir 400-800 mg orally twice a day or three times a day, or
- Famciclovir 500 mg orally twice a day, or
- Valacyclovir 500 mg orally twice a day

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**PATIENT COUNSELING AND EDUCATION**

- Goals
  - Help patients cope with the infection
  - Prevent sexual and perinatal transmission
- Counsel initially at first visit
- Education on chronic aspects may be beneficial after acute illness subsides
- HSV-infected persons may express anxiety about genital herpes that does not reflect the actual clinical severity of their disease

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PATIENT COUNSELING AND EDUCATION

- Counseling should include:
  - Natural history of the infection
  - Treatment options
  - Transmission and prevention issues
  - Neonatal HSV prevention issues
- Emphasize potential for recurrent episodes, asymptomatic viral shedding, and sexual transmission even without symptoms!
- Discuss symptoms and preventive therapy
- Same counseling for asymptomatic people

COUNSELING: TRANSMISSION AND PREVENTION

- Inform current and future sex partners about genital herpes diagnosis
- Abstain from sexual activity with uninfected partners when lesions or prodrome present
- Correct and consistent use of latex condoms might reduce the risk of HSV transmission
- Valacyclovir suppressive therapy decreases HSV-2 transmission in heterosexual couples in which source partner has recurrent herpes

PARTNER MANAGEMENT

- Symptomatic sex partners
  - Evaluate and treat in the same manner as patients who have genital lesions
- Asymptomatic sex partners
  - Ask about history of genital lesions
  - Educate to recognize symptoms of herpes
  - Offer type-specific serologic testing

Human Papilloma Virus

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Warts and Cancers

Introduction

- HPV types are divided into 2 groups based on their association with cervical cancer:
  - Low-risk types associated with genital warts and mild Pap test abnormalities
  - High-risk types associated with mild to severe Pap test abnormalities and cervical cancer
- Most genital HPV infections are transient, asymptomatic, and have no clinical consequences.

Clinical Manifestations by HPV Type

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<td>Laryngeal papilloma</td>
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Adapted from Sexually Transmitted Diseases, 4th edition; Holmes, Starling, Stamm, etal.
Warts

CDC-Recommended Regimens For External Genital Warts (Patient-Applied)

- Podofilox 0.5% solution or gel (Condylox™)
  - Patients should apply solution with cotton swab or gel with a finger to visible warts twice a day for 3 days, followed by 4 days of no therapy.
  - Cycle may be repeated as needed up to 4 cycles.
  - OR
- Imiquimod 5% cream (Aldara™)
  - Patients should apply cream once daily at bedtime, 3 times a week for up to 16 weeks.
  - Treatment area should be washed with soap and water 6-10 hours after application.

CDC-Recommended Regimens For External Genital Warts (Provider-Administered)

- Cryotherapy with liquid nitrogen or cryoprobe
  - Repeat applications every 1-2 weeks, OR
- Podophyllin resin 10%-25% in compound tincture of benzoïn
  - Apply a small amount to each wart and allow to air dry
  - Treatment may be repeated weekly if needed, OR
- Trichloroacetic acid (TCA) or bichloroacetic acid (BCA) 80%-90%
  - Apply small amount only to warts and allow to dry
  - Treatment may be repeated weekly if needed, OR
- Surgical removal—tangential scissor excision, tangential shave excision, curettage, or electrosurgery

Screening for Cervical Cancer across Guidelines

- Start screening for Cervical cancer at 21 y/o
- Screening recommended
  - Cytology every 3 years for 21-65 y/o
  - HPV detection co-test every 5 years for 30-65 y/o
  - No HPV co-test for <30 y/o
  - Most recommend against HPV screening alone
- Stop screening >65 with adequate history of screening
- Vaccine administration does not change the screening guidelines

HPV DNA Prevalence in Cancers Other than Cervical

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<td>Anal Squamous Cell</td>
<td>&gt;80</td>
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<td>Cancers of Head &amp; Neck</td>
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Screening for Anal Dysplasia

• Formal guidelines on screening for anal dysplasia do not exist
• Specialists recommend screening HIV + MSM
• Other populations include:
  – HIV + MSW
  – individuals with perianal HPV lesions
  – HIV+ women
  – women with high-grade vulvar/vaginal or cervical dysplasia
  – solid organ transplant recipients who have an increased risk of anal cancer

Anal Pap Smear

• Insert dacron swab approximately 2 inches into the anus
• May wet swab, no lubricant
• Circular motion as you pull out
  – “peanut butter our of a jar”
• Tap swab into cytology fluid (higher yield)
• Send for ANAL Cytology

Interpreting Results

• Anal PAP smears are technically screening for High Grade Intraepithelial Lesions (HPV-related precursor of anal cancer)
• Any positive result (including ASCUS) requires evaluation by HRA…cytology does not necessarily match pathologic grade on biopsy…ASCUS may be found on PAP when HSIL is present

Ablation of HSIL Lesions

• Controversial
• Smaller lesions may be treated with Bichloroacetic or Tricholoracetic Acid
• Some evidence for Imiquimod rx in HIV + MSM on HAART
• Infrared coagulation
• Multistage HRA-guided therapy
• Heightened anal cancer observation for extensive disease

HPV Vaccine

• Bivalent Vaccine (Cervarix™)
  – Type 16 and 18 (High risk)
• Quadrivalent Vaccine (Gardasil™)
  – Type 16 and 18 and wart strains 6 and 11
• Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommends offering HPV vaccine to:
  – females between the ages of 11 and 12 years to prevent cervical intraepithelial neoplasia and cervical cancer.
  – males aged 11 or 12 years
  – Permissive use in up to age 26
• Future: 9-valent vaccine in development to target other high risk HPV using the same platform

Thank you!