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## Treatment shortening regimen – Drug Sensitive TB

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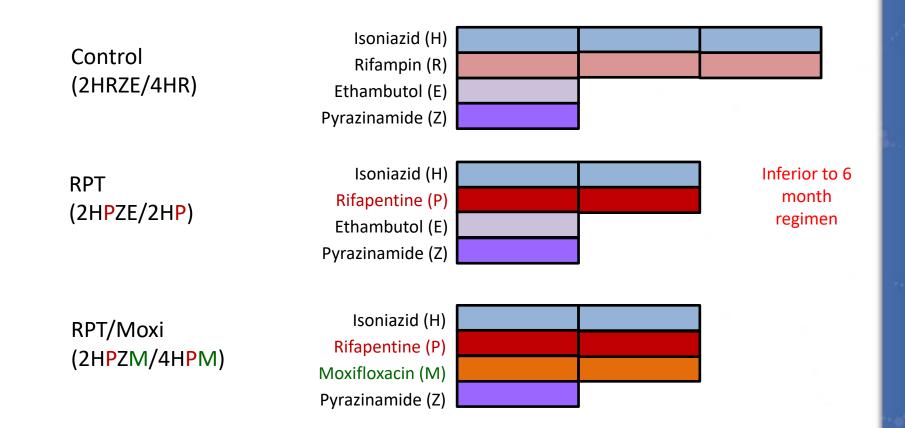
### Four-Month Rifapentine Regimens with or without Moxifloxacin for Tuberculosis

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2234 participants (194 PLHIV, 1703 with cavity on CXR) Randomized 1:1:1 to 3 arms Noninferiority study



### Study 31/A5349

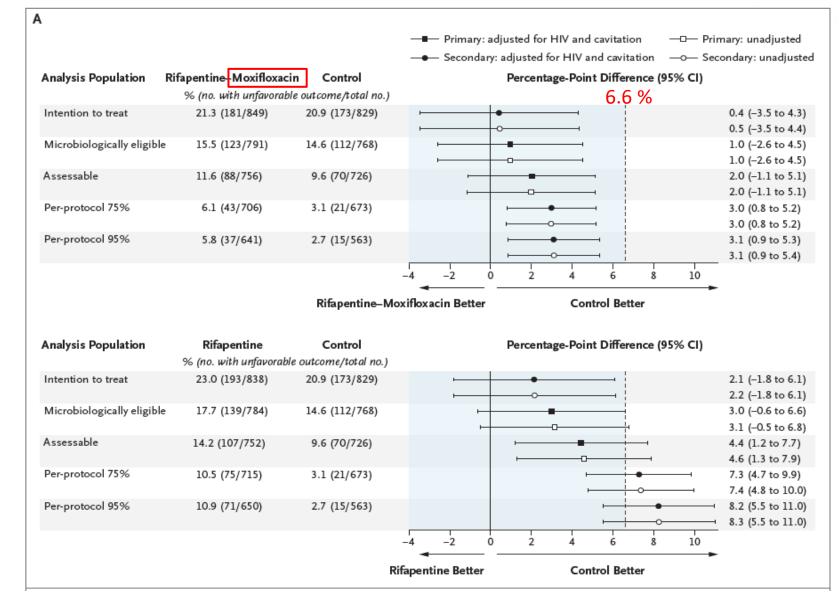


#### Notes:

- HRZE dosed at standard doses
- Dosed daily, 7 days/week, observed 5 days/week
- Rifapentine 1200 mg (8 tablets)
- Moxifloxacin 400 mg

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### Study 31 - Results



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# Some Points to Consider

- We have to start treating with this regimen, the patients have spoken
- Smear conversion by 8 weeks:
  - standard regimen 63.4%
  - RPT/moxi arm 78.5%
- Study compared 4 months of RPT/moxi regimen to 6 months of standard therapy



## What does CDC say?

CDC recommends the 4-month RPT-MOX regimen for treating patients

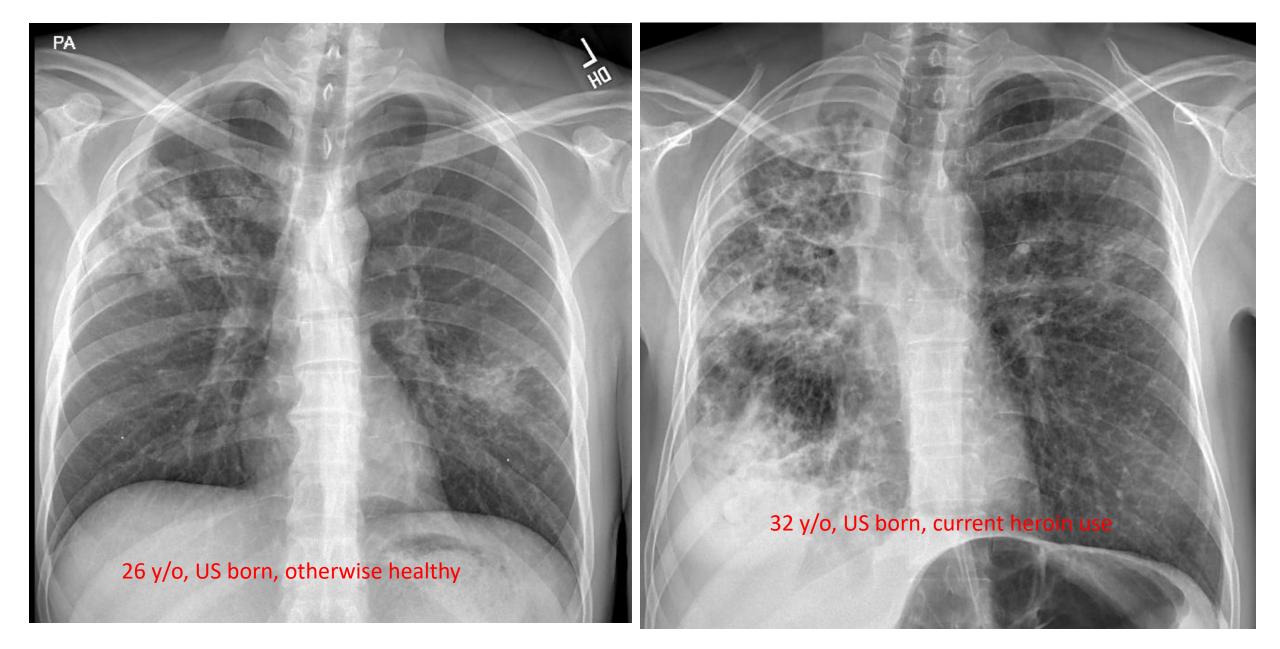
- aged ≥12 years
- with body weight  $\geq$ 40 kg (88 lb.)
- with pulmonary TB
- caused by organisms that are not known or suspected to be drug-resistant
- and who have no contraindications to this regimen

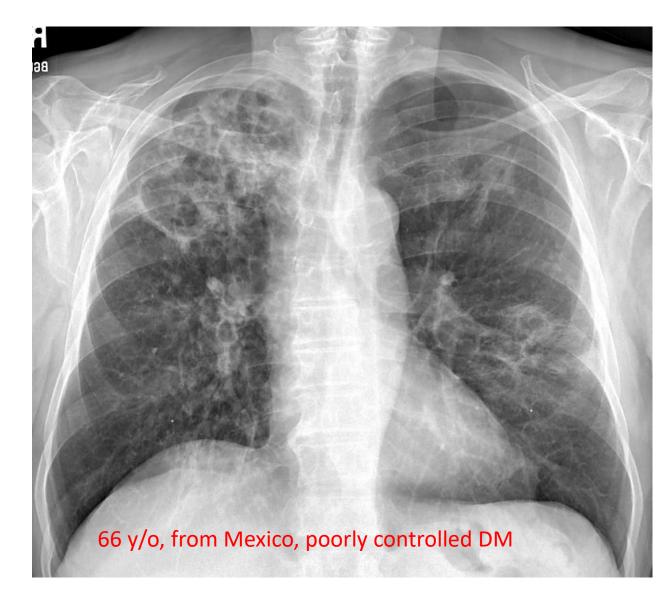
# **Groups That May Not Benefit**

- Patients< 12 years old and ≥75 years old
- Pregnant women
- Patients with liver disease
- Patients with renal disease
- Patients with multiple medication interactions
- Patients with extensive disease, even pulmonary, that would require 9 or more months of standard treatment
- Tiny patients (< 88 lb.)

# **Potential Challenges**

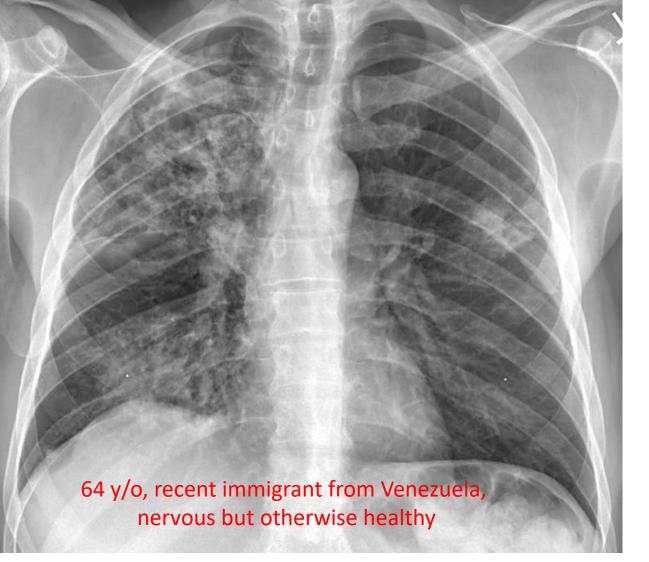
- Pill burden
- Tolerability (versus safety, efficacy)
- Familiarity with the regimen
  - Substitutions?
  - EOT and they need more treatment?
- Drug shortages!











As we roll out 'newer, better', we must remember:

One size does not fit all!



