



## Cost-effectiveness of HIV Testing: Frequency and Target Groups

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“Whatever the next hottest, scientifically proven HIV treatment or prevention strategies are :

- PreP
- TasP

they will share a common denominator for implementation: **the HIV test.**

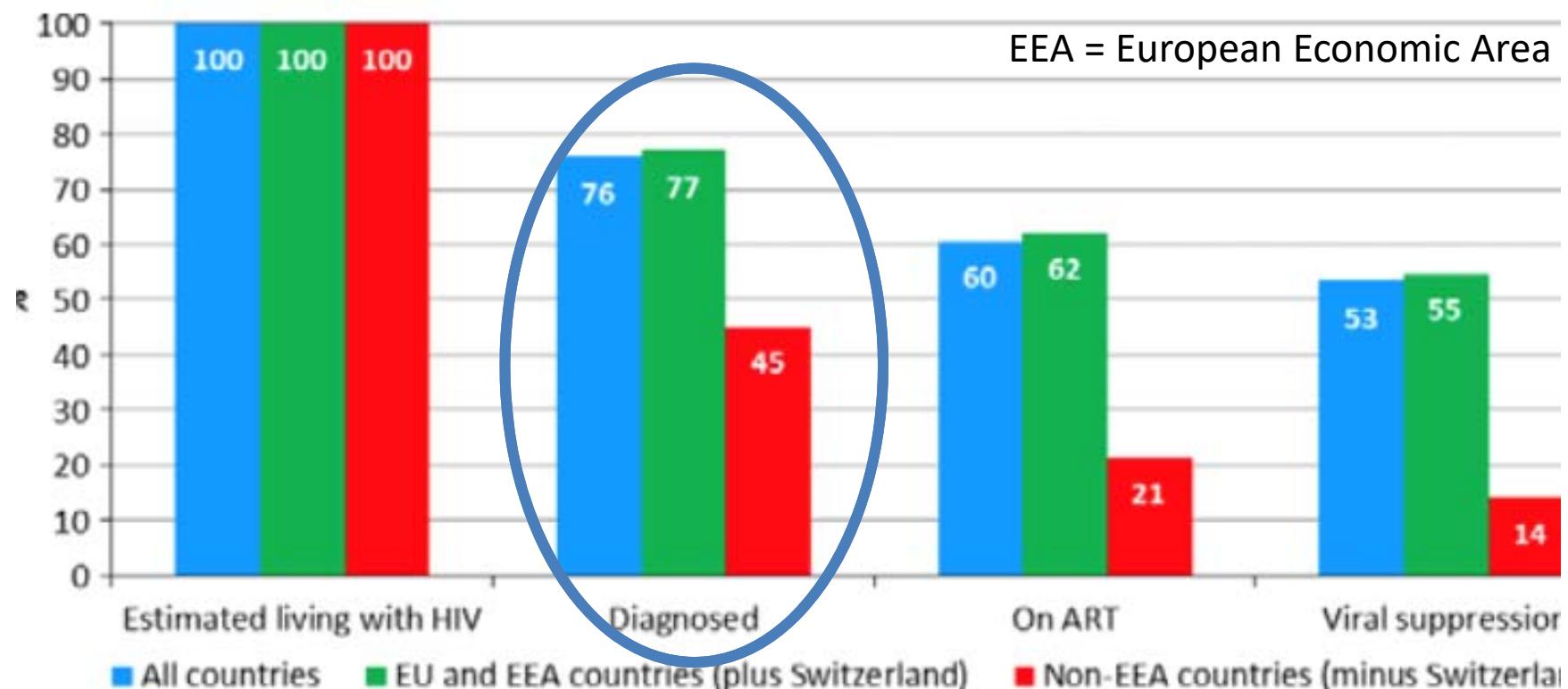
**They all begin with learning one's HIV status.”**

Walensky et al. Plos Med 2011

## ORIGINAL RESEARCH

# HIV continuum of care in Europe and Central Asia

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# The OptTEST Project

- **OptTEST:** “*Optimising testing and linkage to care for HIV across Europe*” is a 3-year project co-funded by the Consumers, Health and Food Executive Agency (CHAFEA) under the European Union Public Health Programme.
- **Objective:** to reduce the number of undiagnosed people with HIV infection and newly diagnosed late presenters in the European regions and to promote timely treatment and care.

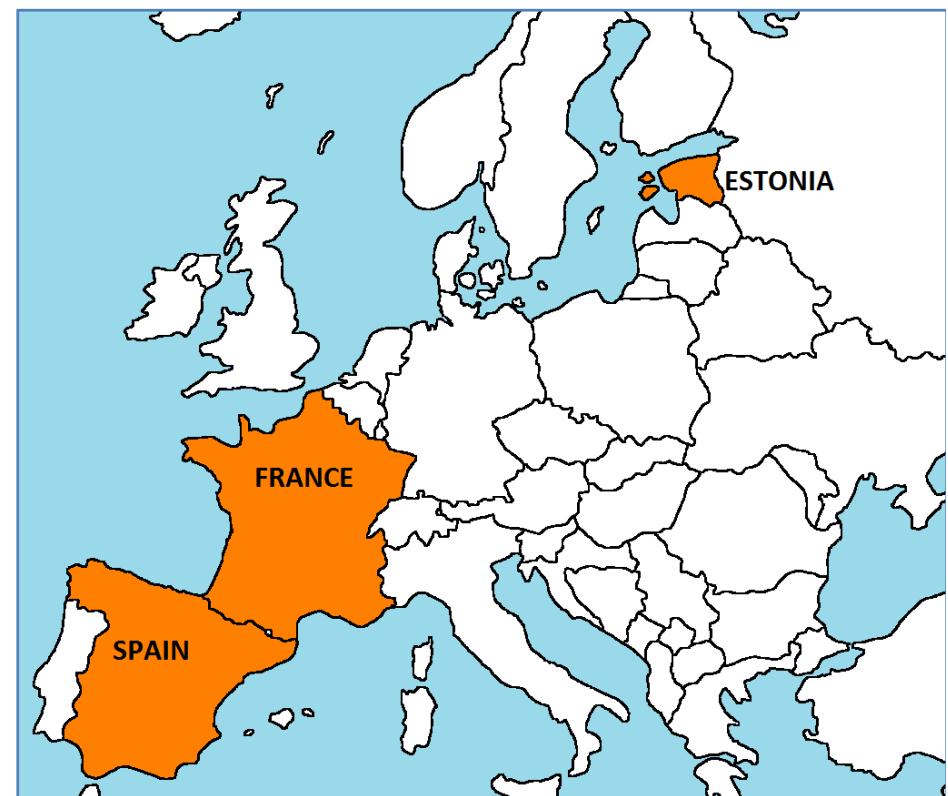
# OptTEST Work Package 6

**The cost-effectiveness of HIV testing strategies in priority groups and regions.**

- Objectives
  - To determine the survival benefits, cost and **cost-effectiveness** of different **HIV testing strategies** in different **settings, regions** and **priority groups** in Europe.

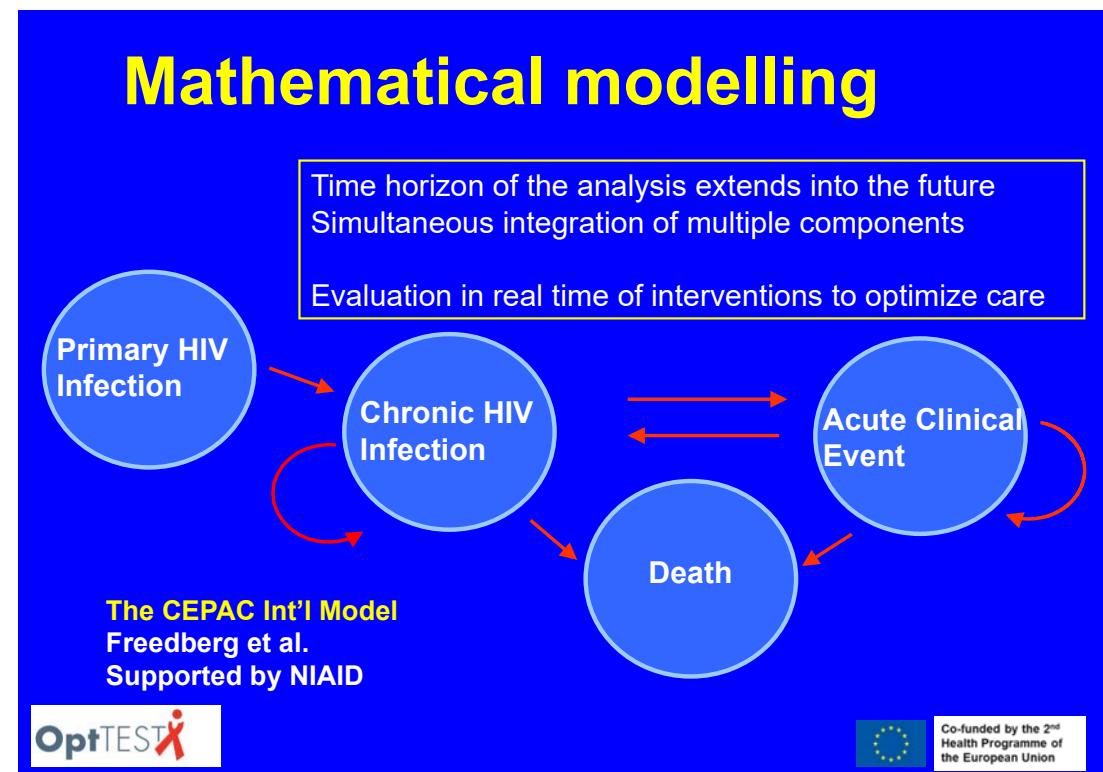
## WP6 analysis

- Focus of analysis **France, Spain, and Estonia.**
- Findings are to be extrapolated to other European countries to produce country- and region-specific guidance for choosing cost-effective testing strategies



# Study design

- Mathematical modelling : Cost-Effectiveness of Preventing AIDS Complications (CEPAC), a widely published Monte Carlo simulation model of the detection, natural history and treatment of HIV disease.



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SPECIAL ARTICLE

## Expanded Screening for HIV in the United States — An Analysis of Cost-Effectiveness

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- At a 1% prevalence of undiagnosed HIV infection, routine testing every 5 years had a cost-effectiveness ratio of \$71,000/QALY gained





# MMWR<sup>TM</sup>

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

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Recommendations and Reports

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**Revised Recommendations for HIV Testing  
of Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women  
in Health-Care Settings**

## **Screening for HIV Infection : 2006**

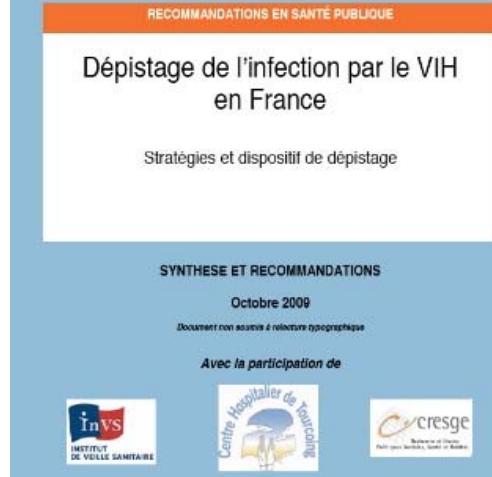
- In all health-care settings, screening for HIV infection should be performed routinely for all patients aged 13–64 years. Health-care providers should initiate screening unless prevalence of undiagnosed HIV infection in their patients has been documented to be <0.1%.

## Routine HIV Screening in France: Clinical Impact and Cost-Effectiveness

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# « Des stratégies nouvelles à mettre en oeuvre et à évaluer : proposition de dépistage en population générale et dépistage ciblé

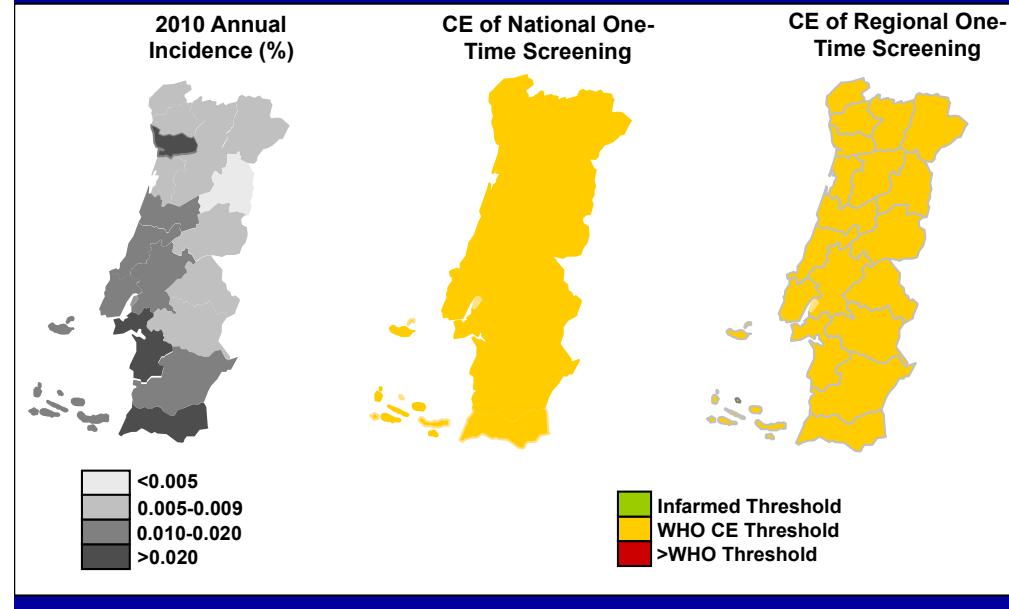
- La proposition de test de dépistage à la population générale hors notion d'exposition à un risque de contamination par le VIH,
- En parallèle le maintien et le renforcement d'un dépistage ciblé et régulier pour les populations à risque »



# Routine HIV Screening in Portugal: Clinical Impact and Cost-Effectiveness

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## Cost-Effectiveness of One-Time HIV Screening in Different Regions



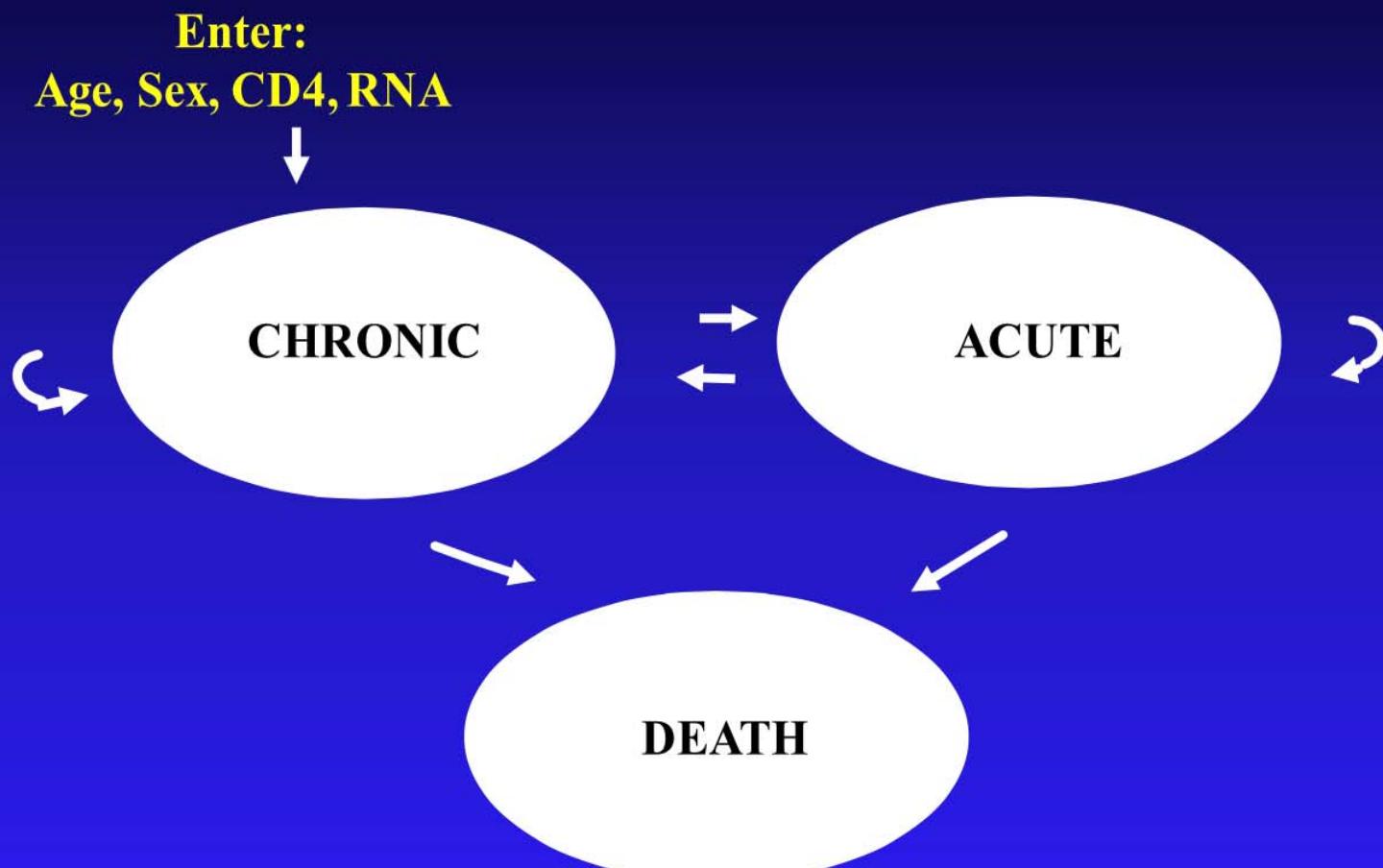
# Methods overview

- **Disease Model.** A simulation model of the natural history and treatment of HIV disease
- **Screening Model.** A new simulation model of « Counselling, Testing and Referral » (CTR) in an at-risk population.
- To evaluate alternative HIV CTR strategies based on:
  - Prevalence and incidence of HIV infection
  - Testing protocols (Se, Sp, cost)
  - Test / retest frequency
  - Follow-up and linkage to care

# The Disease Model (CEPAC)

- Computer simulation model of HIV disease
- Captures effects of CD4, HIV-RNA, OI incidence, and the impact of ART and other therapies
- Data from observational cohorts, clinical trials, cost surveys, and other published sources
- Outcomes: life expectancy, quality-adjusted life-expectancy, cost, cost-effectiveness

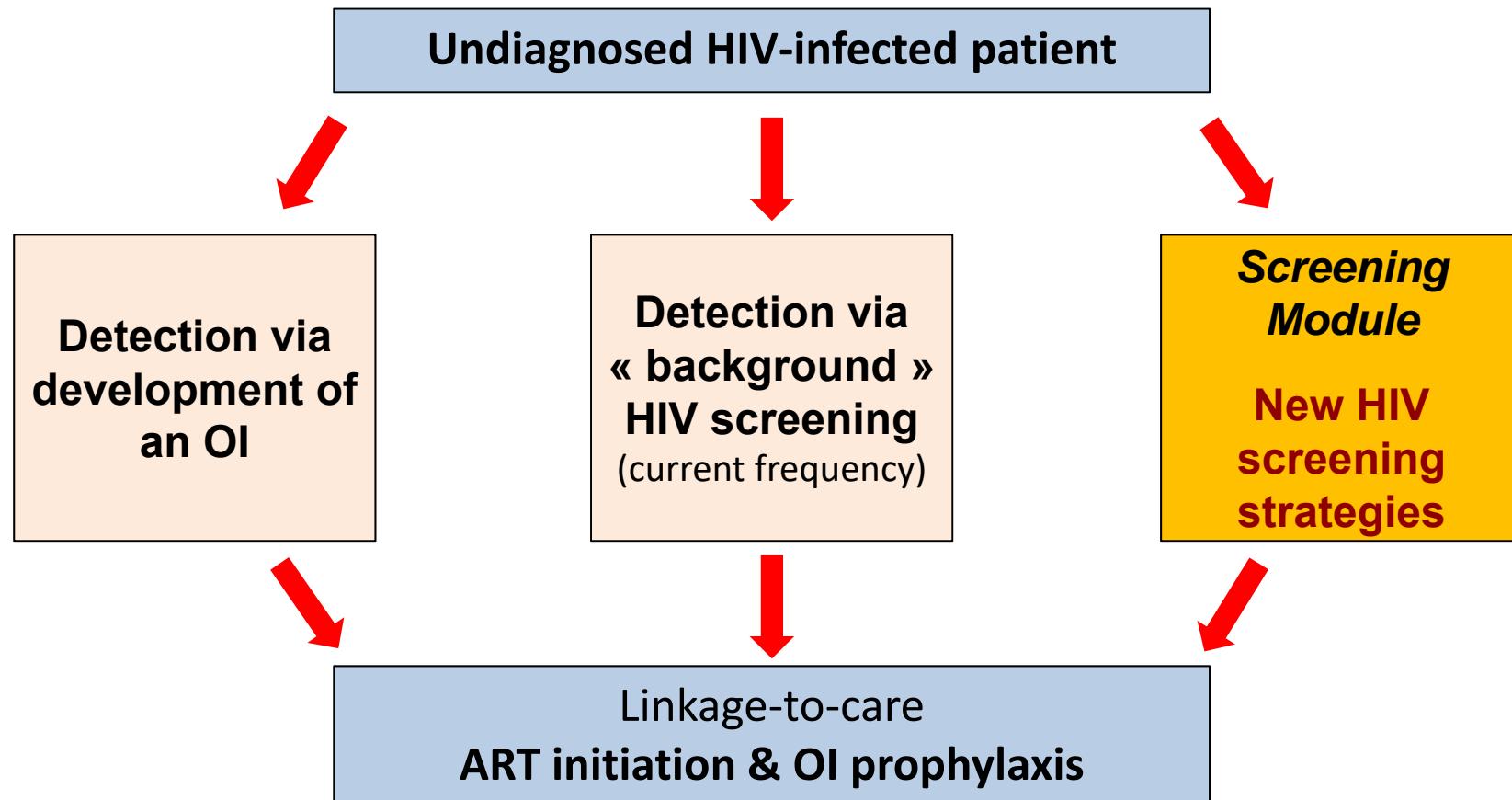
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# Screening Model

- Manages entry into the Disease Model
  - time of infection
  - time of detection
  - time of “eligibility” for therapy
- Measures testing program performance
  - total tests performed;
  - disease progression at the time of detection
  - mechanism of detection

# Three Mecanisms of Detection



# Cost-Effectiveness analysis

- **Societal** perspective (without indirect costs)
- **Lifetime** horizon (until death)
- **Costs** : Costs of HIV testing strategies, related to HIV care, treatment and death (AIDS or non-AIDS)
- **Effectiveness** : Life expectancy in months / Quality-adjusted life expectancy (QALE)
- **Discount rate** : 3% per annum (Costs & Effectiveness)
- **Cost-Effectiveness** : Incremental cost-effectiveness ratio (ICER) in €/years of life saved (YLS), and €/QALY:

$$ICER = \frac{\text{Additional costs}}{\text{Additional effectiveness}}$$

# Strategies to be tested

## Main criterias

- **Populations**
  - **High-risk** populations : Men who have Sex with Men (MSM), People Who Inject Drugs (PWID)
  - **General Population**
- **Testing frequency**
  - One additional test lifetime
  - Every 10, 5, 3 and 1 year(s)
  - Every 6, 3 and 1 month(s) (high-risk groups)

# Key-parameters

Parameter	Estonia	France	Spain
<b>Population size (18-69)</b>	895,020	41,732,130	31,868,050
<b>HIV prevalence (%)</b>			
<i>Overall Population</i>	1.3	0.37	0.4
<i>MSM</i>	3.0	17.0	6.2
<i>PWID</i>	55.0	17.5	28.7
<i>Migrants</i>	--	1.3	0.7
<b>Undiagnosed prevalence (%)</b>			
<i>Overall Population</i>	0.4	0.07	0.10
<i>MSM</i>	2.0	2.95	0.62-1.24
<i>PWID</i>	6.0	0.62	3.31-6.62
<i>Migrants</i>	--	0.36	0.17
<b>Incidence /100PY</b>			
<i>Overall Population</i>	0.03	0.02	0.007
<i>MSM</i>	0.08	1.0	0.28-1.0
<i>PWID</i>	6.0	0.13	1.9-3.0
<i>Migrants</i>	--	0.06	0.03
<b>Mean CD4 count at initiation</b>			
<i>Overall Population</i>	419	414	
<i>MSM</i>	465	450	
<i>PWID</i>	289.0	316	275
<i>Migrants</i>	334	386	

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Parameter	Estonia	France	Spain
<b>Screening performance</b>			
Test acceptance rate	95.0%	79.0%	96.0%
Linkage to care rate	50.0%	75.0%	83.1%
Sensibility (ELISA test)		100%	
Specificity (ELISA test)		99.5%	
<b>Cost of HIV test</b>	€ 8.00	€ 41.77	€ 18.45
<b>Cost of ART (annually)</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> line	€2,920	€11,810	€8,640
2 <sup>nd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> line	€4,750	€13,960	€10,210
5 <sup>th</sup> line	€7,720	€19,740	€14,450
<b>GDP per capita</b>	€ 20,000	€ 29,000	€ 24,300

# Results for the base case analysis

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Current frequency	267.5	€ 36,010	--	332.9	€ 6,761	--	320.4	€ 36,163	--
One additional lifetime test	271.0	€ 38,695	<b>dominated</b>	333.1	€ 7,311	<b>dominated</b>	323.1	€ 40,758	<b>dominated</b>
Every 10 years	273.4	€ 39,795	<b>dominated</b>	333.4	€ 7,640	<b>16,500</b>	325.7	€ 43,875	<b>dominated</b>
Every 5 years	276.5	€ 41,283	<b>dominated</b>	333.6	€ 7,845	<b>19,500</b>	326.8	€ 45,170	<b>dominated</b>
Every 3 years	279.5	€ 42,748	<b>dominated</b>	333.7	€ 8,133	<b>27,700</b>	327.8	€ 46,129	<b>dominated</b>
Every year	286.4	€ 46,384	<b>dominated</b>	334.1	€ 9,035	<b>39,000</b>	329.4	€ 48,111	<b>15,900</b>
Every 6 months	289.7	€ 48,054	<b>6,500</b>	334.2	€ 10,070	<b>97,000</b>	330.2	€ 49,299	<b>18,300</b>
Every 3 months	292.3	€ 49,536	<b>7,000</b>	334.4	€ 12,002	<b>208,700</b>	330.5	€ 50,530	<b>47,900</b>
Every month	294.3	€ 51,418	<b>11,000</b>	334.4	€ 19,329	<b>1,138,300</b>	331.0	€ 54,535	<b>101,700</b>

# Results for the base case analysis

## Overall Populations

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LE	Costs (€)		LE	Costs (€)		LE	Costs (€)		
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One additional lifetime test	356.7	€ 617	<b>9,800</b>	319.6	€ 1,020	<b>37,100</b>	350.4	€ 434	<b>28,100</b>
Every 10 years	356.7	€ 653	<b>dominated</b>	319.7	€ 1,116	<b>49,100</b>	350.4	€ 505	<b>44,900</b>
Every 5 years	356.7	€ 699	<b>dominated</b>	319.7	€ 1,214	<b>dominated</b>	350.4	€ 562	<b>dominated</b>
Every 3 years	356.8	€ 756	<b>13,000</b>	319.7	€ 1,344	<b>124,100</b>	350.5	€ 638	<b>dominated</b>
Every year	356.9	€ 969	<b>32,500</b>	319.7	€ 1,954	<b>419,000</b>	350.5	€ 1,001	<b>316,200</b>
Every 6 months	356.9	€ 1,232	<b>60,700</b>	319.7	€ 2,855	<b>dominated</b>	350.5	€ 1,531	<b>614,600</b>
Every 3 months	357.0	€ 1,728	<b>126,200</b>	319.7	€ 4,637	<b>1,150,400</b>	350.5	€ 2,587	<b>dominated</b>

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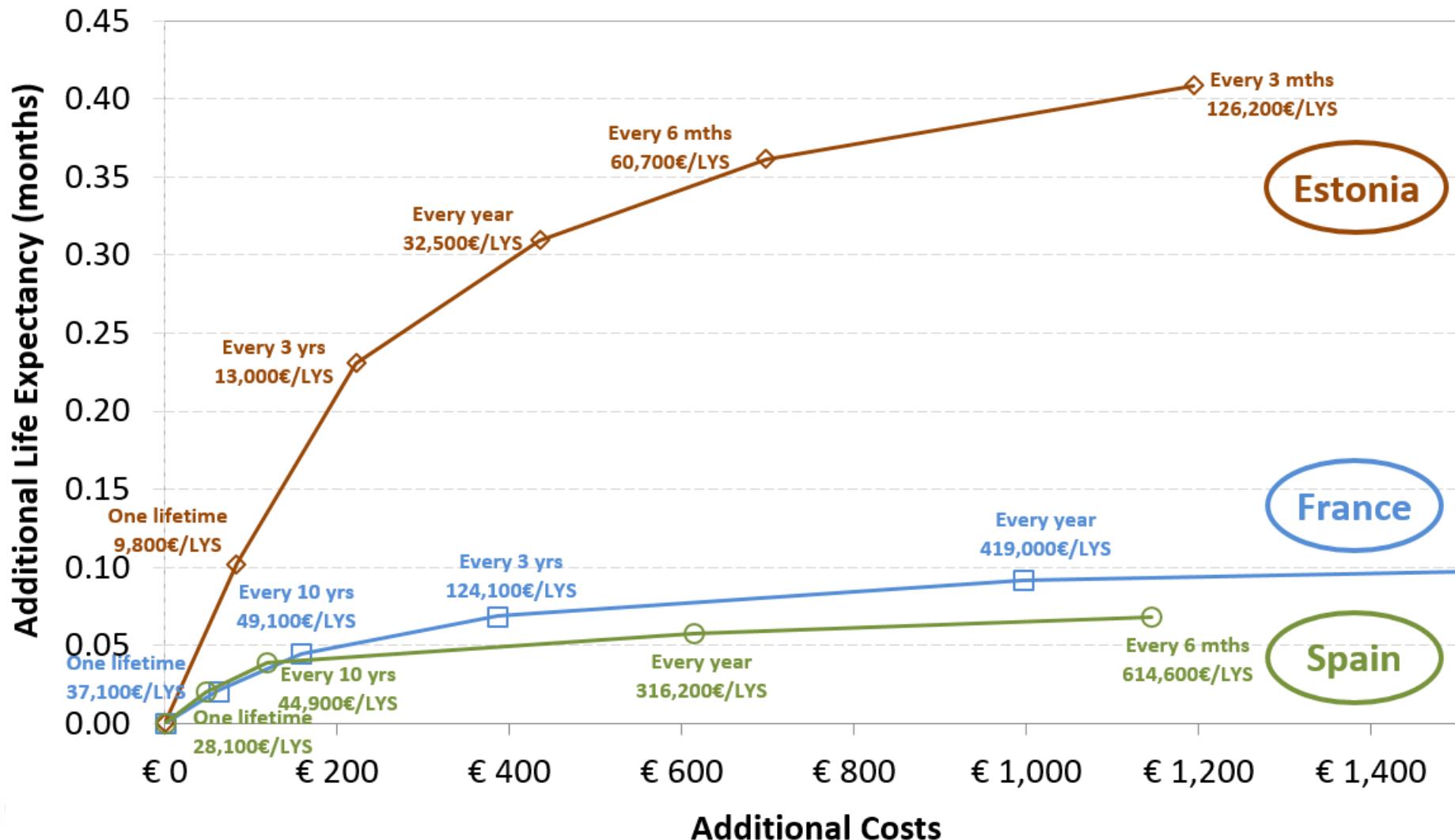
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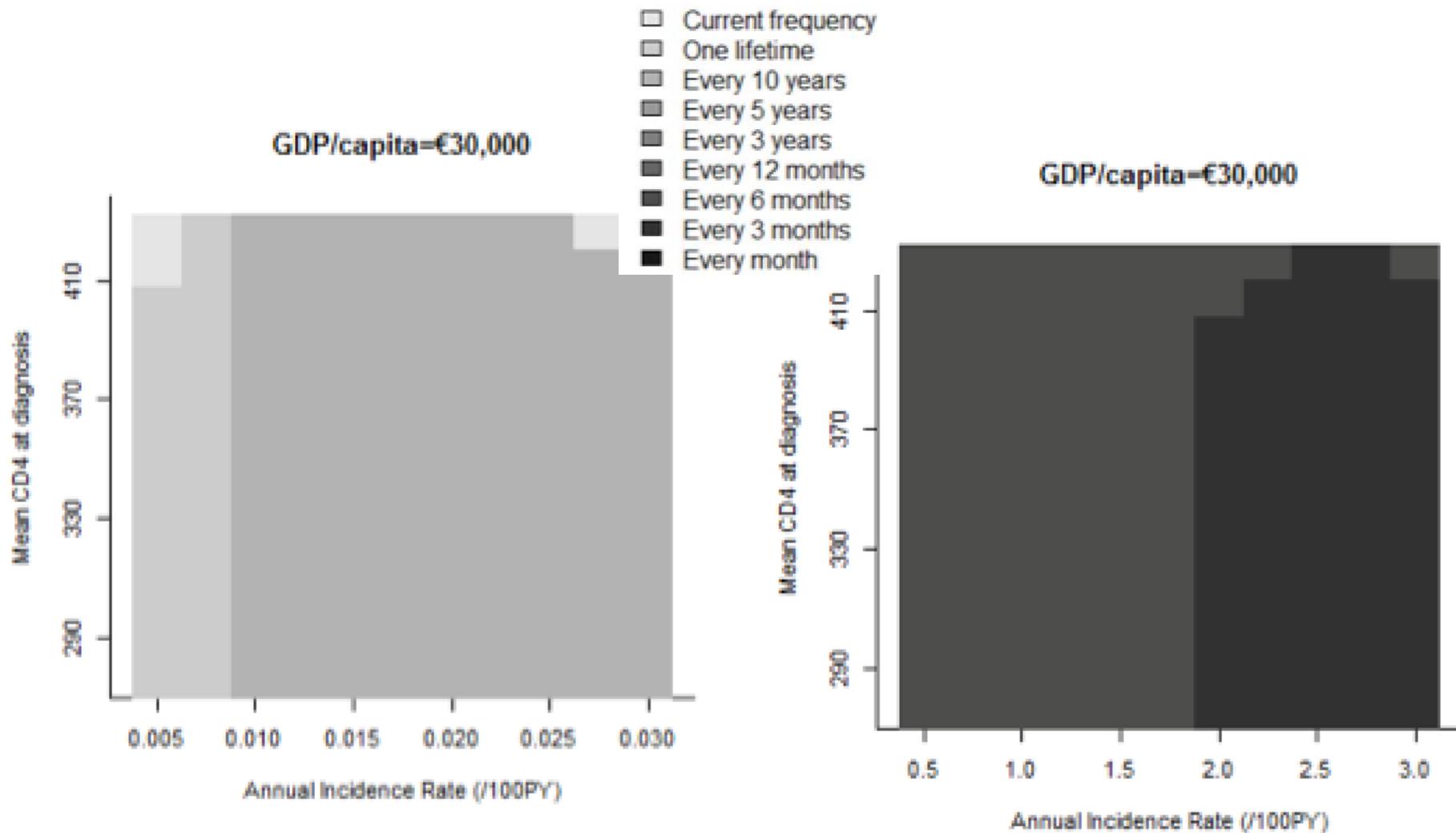
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General population - Efficiency frontiers (Additional Costs vs. Efficacy)



# Heat maps considering the most cost-effective strategy when varying the GDP/capita; incidence rate; CD4 at diagnosis



# Limitations

- A mathematical model with data from multiple sources
- Uncertainty in input data
- A decision should not be only based on cost-effectiveness data

# Conclusion

- **MSM** should be tested every 6 to 12 months or yearly in France and Estonia, and every 6 to 36 months in Spain.
- **PWID** should be tested every 3 to 12 months in Spain, and every 12 to 36 months in France. In Estonia, PWID should be tested at least monthly, if not more frequently.
- Current HIV testing in the **general population** should be maintained in France and Spain, and increased in Estonia with an additional test every three years.
- For optimal value, HIV screening strategies in Europe should be **tailored** to each country's epidemic.

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