Table 1: Preferred and Alternative Regimens for Rapid ART Initiation in Nonpregnant Adults	
Regimen	Comments
Preferred Regimens	
Tenofovir alafenamide/ emtricitabine/bictegravir (TAF 25 mg/FTC/BIC; Biktarvy)	 Available as a single-tablet formulation, taken once daily. TAF/FTC should not be used in patients with a creatinine clearance (CrCl) <30 mL/min; re-evaluate after baseline laboratory testing results are available. Contains 25 mg of TAF, unboosted. Take magnesium- or aluminum-containing antacids 2 hours before or 6 hours after BIC; calcium-containing antacids or iron supplements may be taken simultaneously if taken with food.
Tenofovir alafenamide/ emtricitabine and dolutegravir (TAF 25 mg/FTC and DTG; Descovy and Tivicay)	 TAF/FTC should not be used in patients with CrCl <30 mL/min; re-evaluate after baseline laboratory testing results are available. Contains 25 mg of TAF, unboosted. Two tablets once daily. Take magnesium- or aluminum-containing antacids 2 hours before or 6 hours after DTG; calcium-containing antacids or iron supplements may be taken simultaneously if taken with food. See DTG safety statement, below.
Tenofovir alafenamide/emtricitabine/ darunavir/cobicistat (TAF 10 mg/FTC/DRV/COBI; Symtuza)	 Available as a single-tablet formulation, taken once daily. Contains 10 mg TAF, boosted. TAF/FTC should not be used in patients with CrCl <30 mL/min; re-evaluate after baseline laboratory testing results are available. Pay attention to drug-drug interactions.
Alternative Regimen	
Tenofovir alafenamide/ emtricitabine <i>and</i> raltegravir (TAF 25 mg/FTC <i>and</i> RAL HD; Descovy <i>and</i> Isentress HD)	 TAF/FTC should not be used in patients with CrCl <30 mL/min; re-evaluate after baseline laboratory testing results are available. To date, no clinical trials have been conducted with TAF and RAL; data are based on bioequivalence pharmacokinetic studies. Contains 25 mg of TAF, unboosted.

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- Administer as TAF/FTC once daily and RAL HD 1200 mg once daily, dosed as two 600 mg HD tablets.
- Magnesium- or aluminum-containing antacids are contraindicated; coadministration of calcium-containing antacids is not recommended with RAL HD.

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Note: The initial ART regimen may be simplified based on results of genotypic resistance testing.

Dolutegravir and darunavir/cobicistat/tenofovir alafenamide/emtricitabine (DTG/DRV/COBI/TAF/FTC 10 mg/FTC; Tivicay and Symtuza)

- TAF/FTC should not be used in patients with CrCl <30 mL/min; re-evaluate after baseline laboratory testing results are available.
- Documented DTG resistance after initiation in treatment-naive patients is rare.
- Take magnesium- or aluminum-containing antacids 2 hours before or 6 hours after DTG; calcium-containing antacids or iron supplements may be taken simultaneously if taken with food.
- Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF) may be substituted for TAF; TDF/FTC is available as a single tablet (brand name, Truvada).
- Lamivudine (3TC) may be substituted for FTC.
- 3TC/TDF is also available as a single tablet.
- See DTG safety statement, below.

Medications to Avoid

- Abacavir (ABC)
- Rilpivirine (RPV)
- Efavirenz (EFV)
- ABC should be avoided unless a patient is confirmed to be HLA-B*5701 negative.
- RPV should be administered *only* in patients confirmed to have a CD4 cell count ≥200 cells/mm³ *and* a viral load <100,000 copies/mL.
- EFV is not as well tolerated as other antiretroviral medications, and nonnucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors have higher rates of resistance.