



# Comparison of Turn-around Time and Total Cost of HIV Testing Before and After Implementation of the 2014 CDC / APHL Laboratory Testing Algorithm for Diagnosis of HIV Infection

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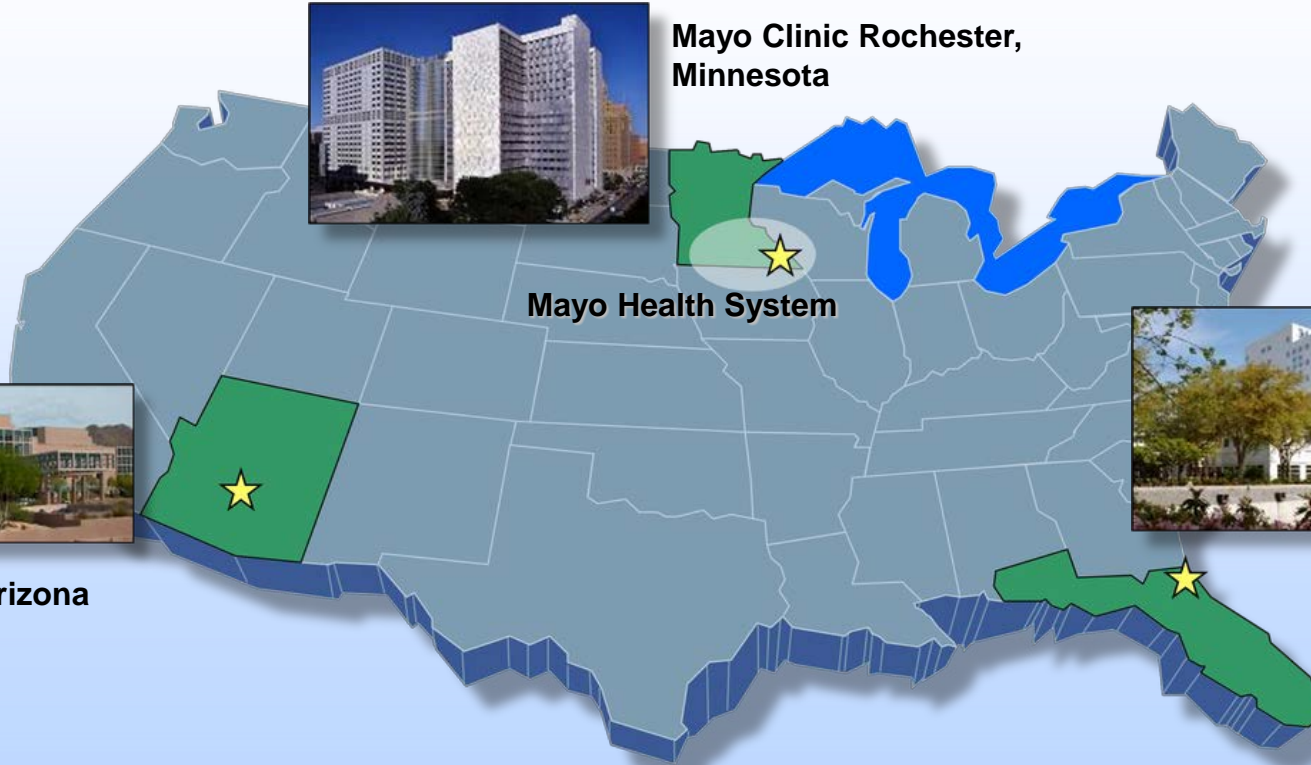
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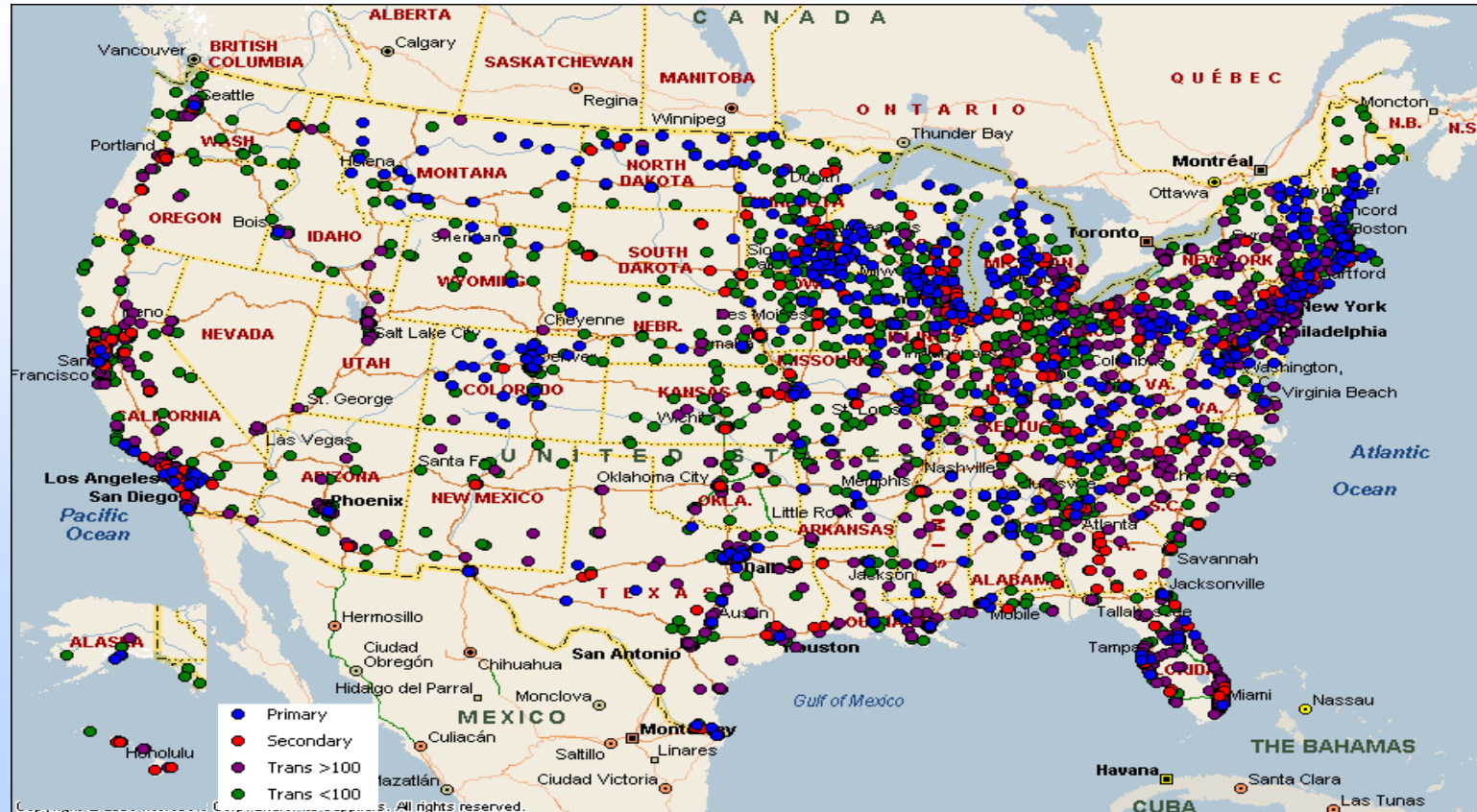


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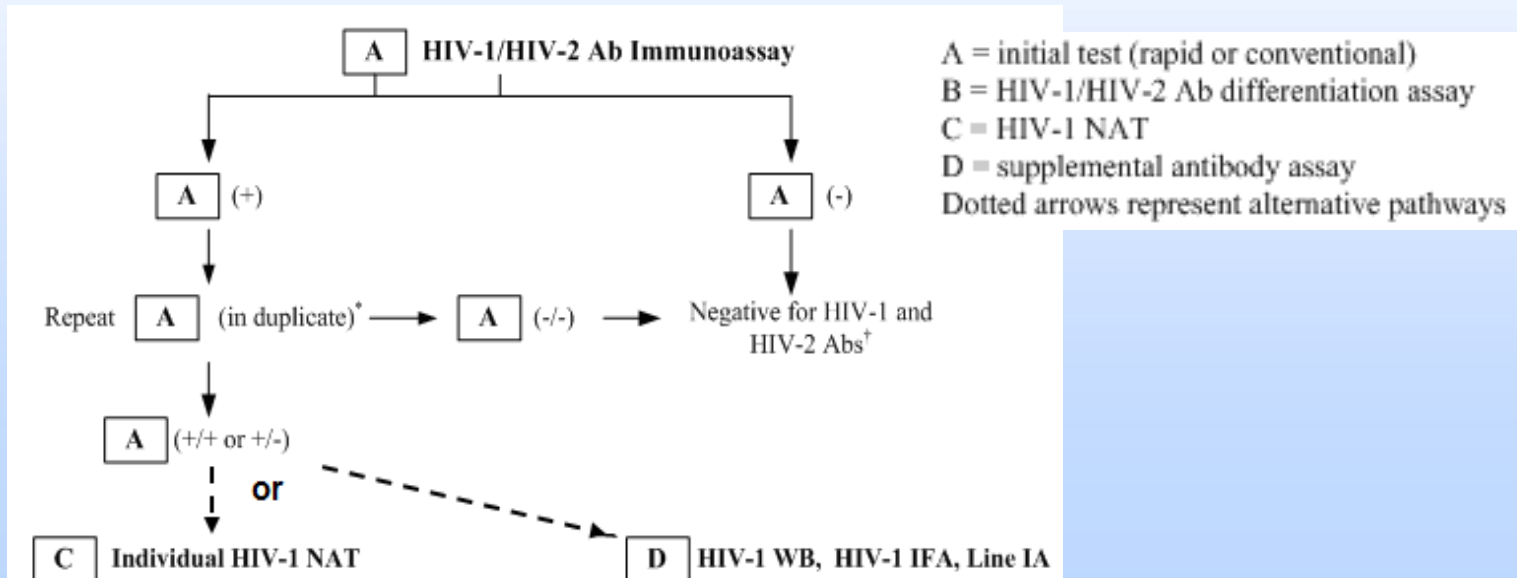
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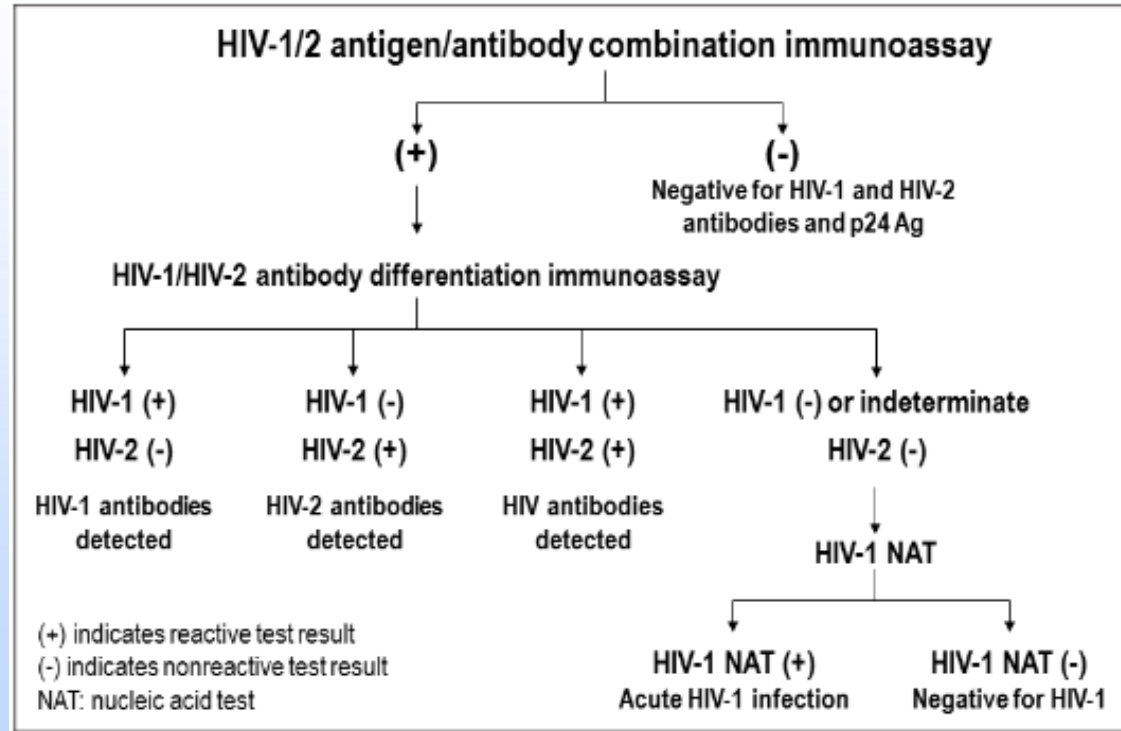
# Background

- Prior to June 2014: MML performed HIV testing using 3<sup>rd</sup> generation HIV immunoassays (Ortho Vitros CIA; GS HIV-1/-2 Plus O EIA) with reflex to GS HIV-1 Western blot (Bio-Rad) ± GS HIV-2 EIA (Bio-Rad) ± INNO-LIA HIV I/II Score (Innogenetics)



# Background (2)

- June 2014: U.S. CDC and APHL issued updated recommendations on HIV laboratory testing algorithm, based on the use of 4<sup>th</sup> generation HIV immunoassays as initial testing for early detection of HIV infection

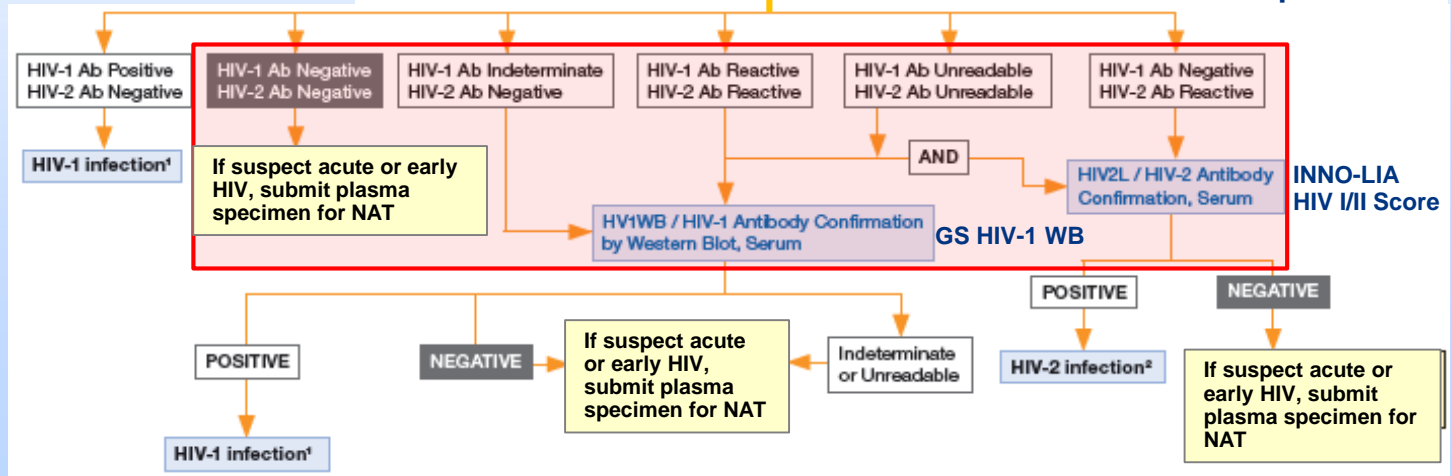
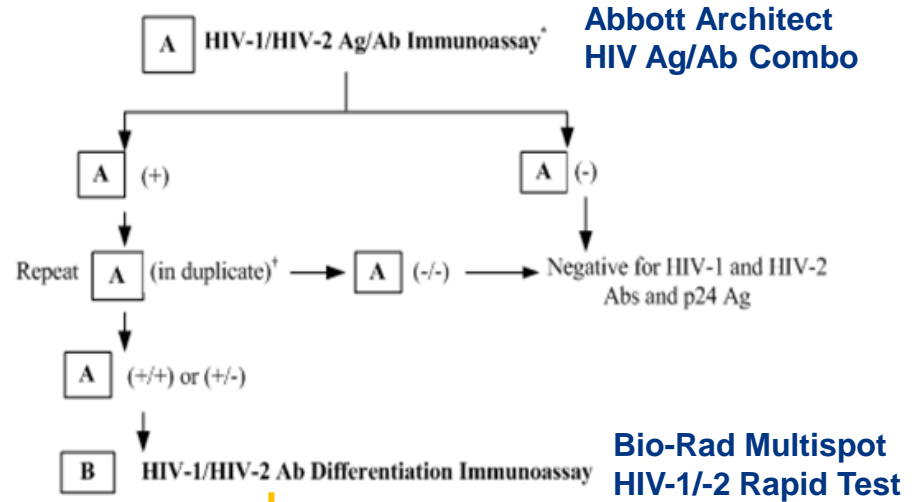


(+) indicates reactive test result  
(-) indicates nonreactive test result  
NAT: nucleic acid test

# Background (3)

- In May 2014: MML implemented a modified version of the 2014 CDC / APHL HIV laboratory testing algorithm, w/o auto-reflex to HIV NAT \*

\* Concerns for possible sample-to-sample contamination during testing with automated Abbott Architect system



# Study Objectives

1. Compare reactivity rates of initial HIV serologic tests and positivity rates of HIV supplemental tests before and after implementation of 2014 CDC / APHL recommended HIV testing algorithm;
2. Determine and compare the test turn-around time, total direct and indirect cost of the test result profiles between the 2 test periods.

# Method

- All HIV test results were retrieved retrospectively from MML lab information system (LIS) during the following study periods before and after implementation of modified 4<sup>th</sup> gen HIV testing algorithm:
  - Nov 2012 through May 2014 (18 months): 3<sup>rd</sup> gen algorithm
  - May 2014 through Nov 2015 (18 months): 4<sup>th</sup> gen algorithm
- Test results for each patient were grouped according to various result profiles
- Test turn-around time (TAT), total direct and indirect testing costs were determined for each result profile



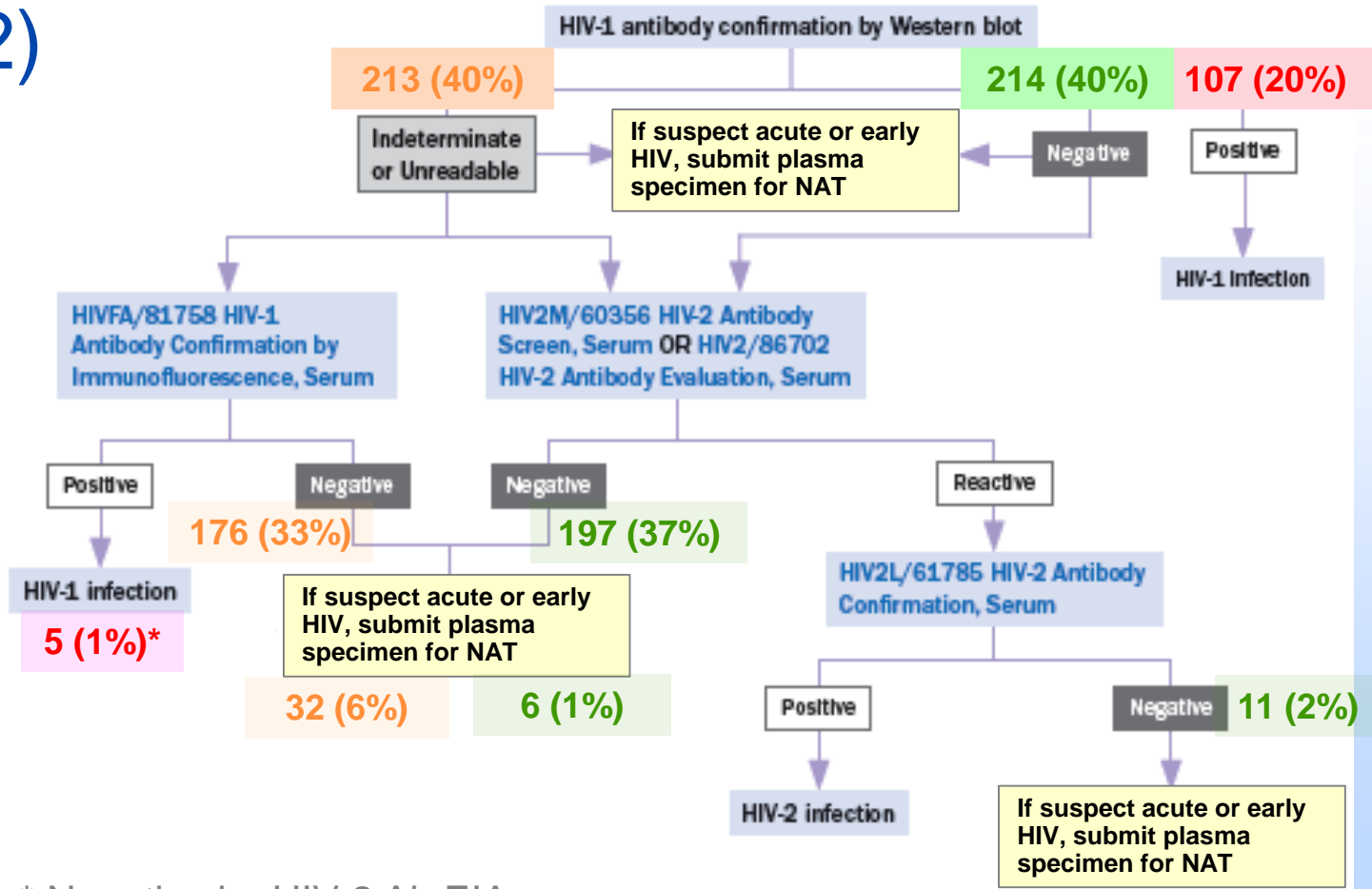
# Results

Algorithm (Period)	Total initial HIV serologic tests (N)	“Reactive” initial results (%)	“Positive” supplemental results (%)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Gen (11/2012 – 5/2014)	76,584	534 (0.70%)	112 (21.0%)
4 <sup>th</sup> Gen (5/2014 – 11/2015)	78,998	595 (0.75%)	173 * (29.1%)

*\* 54.4% increase in (+) rate (multifactorial)*

# Results (2)

Distribution of result profiles for 3<sup>rd</sup> generation algorithm  
 11/2012 – 5/2014  
 N = 534



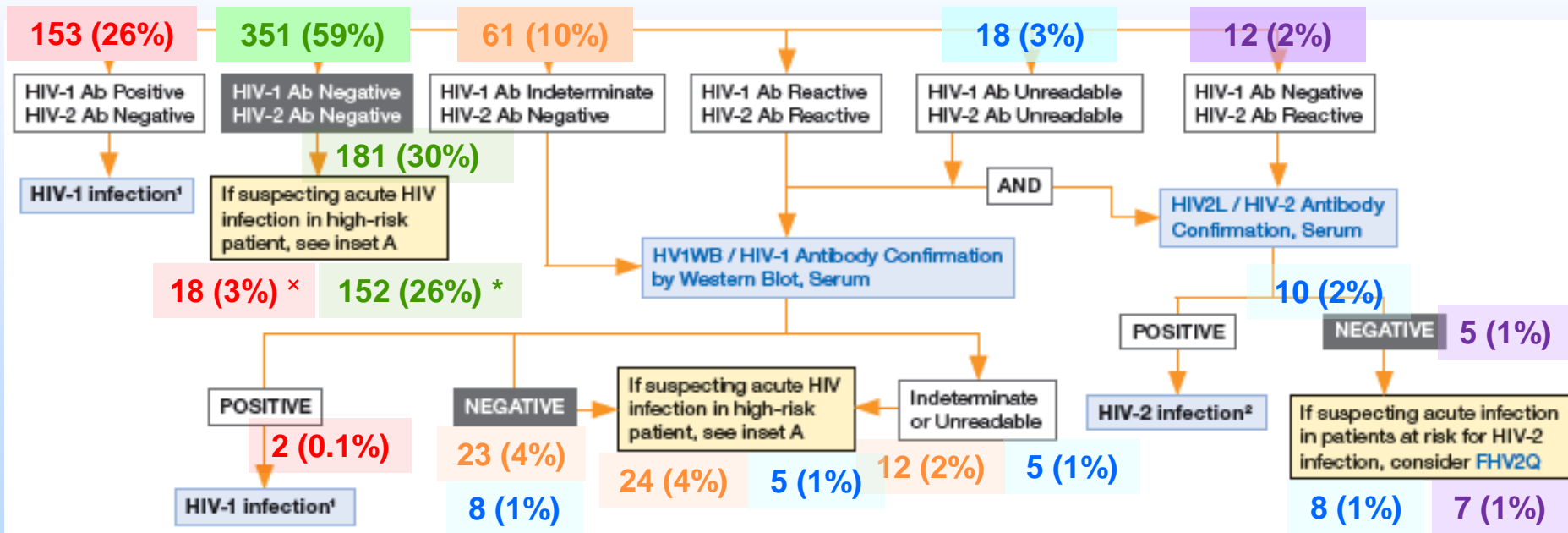
\* Negative by HIV-2 Ab EIA



# Results (3)

Distribution of result profiles for 4<sup>rd</sup> gen algorithm, 5/2014 – 11/2015

N = 595



\* All are HIV-1 NAT(+); \*1 patient had negative HIV-1 and HIV-2 NAT.

# Results (4)

Algorithm / Result profile	TAT Median (hr)	TAT Range (hr)	Total cost
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Gen</b>			
WB(+)	27.1	6.9 – 89.3	\$75.04
WB(-), HV2 EIA(-)	52.4	27.4 – 125.2	\$103.91
WB ind, HV1 IFA(-), HV2 EIA(-)	52.4	27.4 – 125.2	\$167.81
WB ind, HV1 IFA(±), HV2 EIA(R), HV2 LIA(±)	103.0	71.9 – 241.8	\$224.02
WB ind, HV1 IFA(-), HV2 EIA(-), HV1 NAT	293.0	151.9 – 2,011.8	\$277.50
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Gen</b>			
Diff (-) or Diff HV1 (+)	17.4	1.0 – 94.6	\$41.52
Diff HV1 ind, WB(±, ind)	95.0	25.5 – 125.5	\$101.39
Diff HV1 ind, WB(- or ind), HV1 NAT	175.5	49.1 – 1,782.6	\$211.08
Diff HV1 ind, WB ind, HV1 & 2 NAT	374.1	277.5 - 1,810.1	\$437.08

# Conclusions

- 54.4% increase in positivity rate during 4<sup>th</sup> gen algorithm testing period, including 3% by HIV NAT (acute HIV-1 infection);
- No HIV-2 infection detected during 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> gen algorithm testing periods;
- 4<sup>th</sup> gen algorithm testing provided shorter TAT (median of 10 hr less) and less expensive (45% less total costs) Dx of “presumptive” HIV-1 infection than 3<sup>rd</sup> gen algorithm testing;
- MML modified 4<sup>th</sup> gen algorithm detected 2 cases (0.1%) of HIV-1 infection by HIV-1 WB among Multispot-indeterminate specimens

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