The 10 Year Incidence of Glaucoma Among Treated and Untreated Ocular Hypertensive Patients

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Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study (OHTS) Primary Goals

Evaluate the safety and efficacy of topical ocular hypotensive medication in delaying or preventing the development of POAG in individuals with elevated IOP

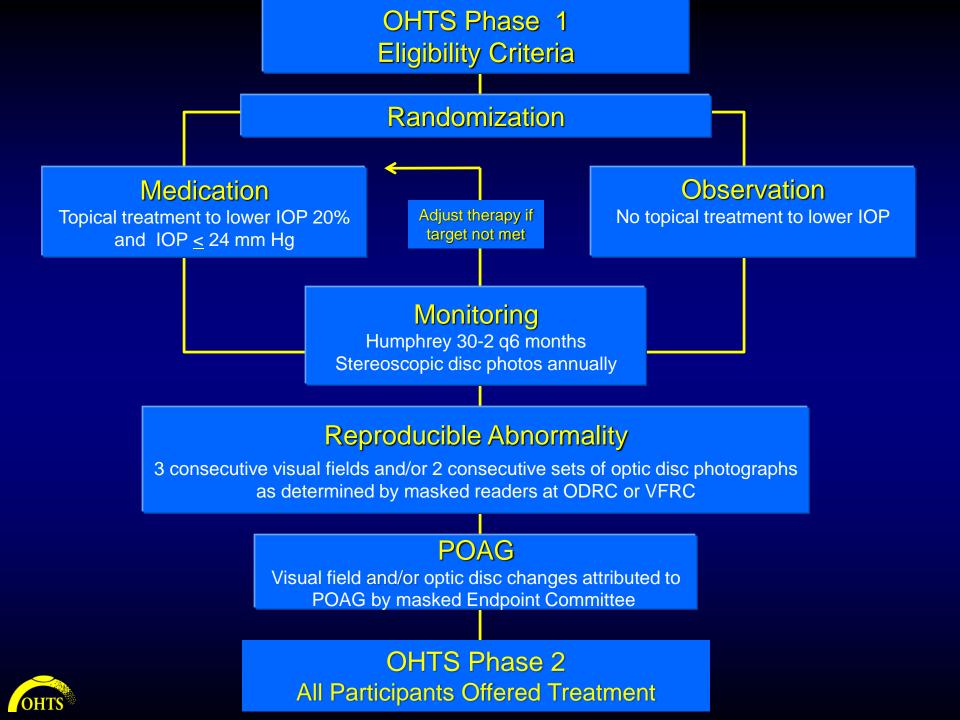
Identify baseline demographic and clinical factors that predict which participants will develop POAG



The OHTS Entry Criteria

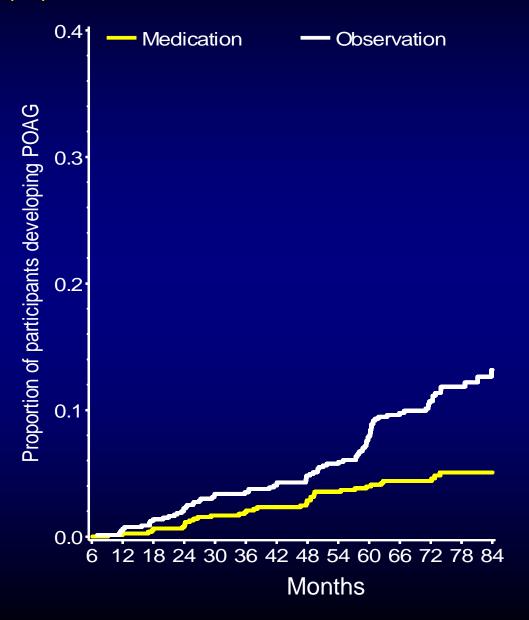
- Age 40 80
- Normal visual fields
 - Humphrey 30-2
- Normal optic discs
- Untreated IOP:
 - 24 to 32 mm Hg in one eye
 - 21 to 32 mm Hg in fellow eye





OHTS Phase 1: Primary POAG Endpoints

Log rank P-value<0.001, hazard ratio 0.40, 95% confidence interval (0.27, 0.59) Cumulative proportion POAG at 60 months, 9.5% in OBS and 4.4% in MEDS





Goal

We thought it would be helpful for clinicians and patients to know 10 year incidence of POAG in treated and untreated OHTS participants.



Methods

Take 10 year data from treatment group.

Model 10 year data from observation group — mean 7.5 year f/u without treatment.



Results

Divided the participants into 3 levels of baseline risk based on IOP, age, CCT, vertical cup/disc ratio and PSD.

At all 3 levels of baseline risk, treatment reduces the 10 year incidence by about 50%.



Results

The absolute reduction is greatest in the high risk group and least in the low risk group.



10 Year Incidence of POAG Among Treated and Untreated OHTS Participants

	Untreated for 10 years	Treated for 10 years
	POAG (95% CI)	POAG (95% CI)
Low Risk <6%*	7% (4%-11%)	4% (2%-5%)
Medium Risk 6% to 13%†	18% (13%-26%)	8% (6%-10%)
High Risk >13%‡	42% (32%-54%)	19% (15%-23%)



Results

Within each tertile of risk, African Americans and others have similar outcome. i.e. African Americans do benefit from treatment.



10 Year Incidence of POAG Among Treated and Untreated OHTS Participants

	Ethnicity	Untreated for 10 years	Treated for 10 years
		POAG (95% CI)	POAG (95% CI)
Low Risk <6%*	Others	7% (4%-11%)	3% (2%-5%)
	African American	8% (5%-12%)	5% (3%-8%)
Medium Risk 6% to 13%†	Others	18% (13%-26%)	8% (6%-10%)
	African American	19% (13%-29%)	9% (6%-12%)
High Risk >13%‡	Others	40% (31%-52%)	18% (14%-22%)
	African Americans	45% (34%-59%)	21% (16%-26%)



Discussion

The incidence of POAG appears to be roughly linear over 10 years. It is not clear if this can be extrapolated to 20 years or more.



Discussion

- OHT patients at high risk may benefit from closer follow-up and early treatment, while low risk patients can have less frequent follow-up and may not need early treatment.
- Patient specific decisions depend on age, health status, life expectancy and preference.

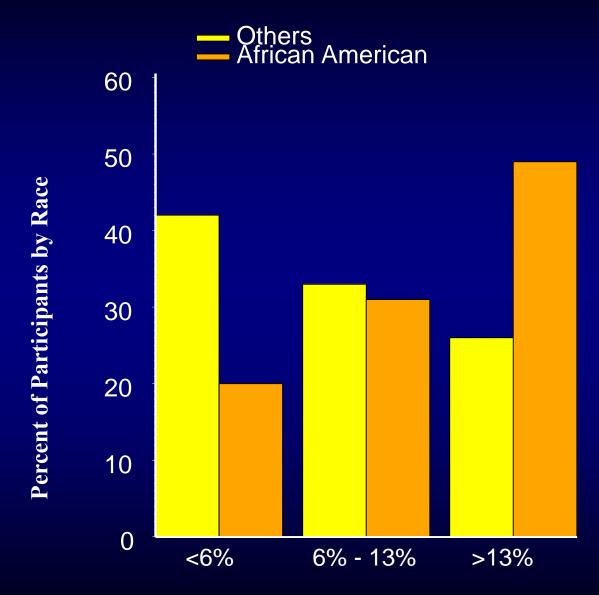


Discussion

African Americans have a higher incidence of POAG but the same incidence within the same tertile of risk. This seeming contradiction is explained by the fact that African Americans are over-represented in the high risk group and underrepresented in the low risk group.



OHTS: Distribution of 5 Year Baseline Risk by Race





Summary

Medical treatment reduces the 10 year incidence of POAG by about 50%.

The absolute reduction is greatest in the high risk group.

The effect of treatment is similar in African Americans and others after adjusting for the higher baseline risk status of African Americans.

