failure (63%), renal failure (50%), diarrhea (50%), and septic shock (50%). The estimated all-cause 30-day and 90-day mortality rates were 56% and 69%, respectively.

**Conclusion:** Toxoplasmosis has diverse presentations in transplant recipients, likely contributing to diagnostic delays and high mortality. Future study is needed to determine clinical scenarios and risk factors where donor and recipient serologic screening may be beneficial.

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**Table 1. Baseline characteristics and outcomes of 16 transplant recipients from Emory Healthcare and Duke University Hospital**

| Characteristic        | n (%) | 30-90-Day Mortality |
|-----------------------|-------|---------------------|
| Median Age (IQR)      | 56 (46 - 67) |                     |
| Sex                   | Females: 8 (50) |                     |
| Race                  | White: 10 (63) |                     |
|                      | Black: 5 (31)  |                     |
|                      | Other: 1 (6)   |                     |
| Transplant Type       | HSCT: 7 (44)  |                     |
|                      | SOT: 9 (56)    |                     |
|                      | DDRT: 5 (31)   |                     |
|                      | OHT: 2 (13)    |                     |
|                      | Lung: 1 (6)    |                     |
|                      | SKP: 1 (6)     |                     |
| Time from transplant to toxoplasmosis diagnosis in days | 295 (57 - 2,160) |            |
|                      | SOT: 1,595 (304 - 6,187) |          |
|                      | HSCT: 54 (47 - 2,019) |      |

**Diagnoses Modality**

- **PCR:** 10 (63)
- **Pathology:** 5 (31)
- **Other:** 1 (6)

**Clinical Presentation**

- **Encephalitis:** 11 (69)
- **Respiratory Failure:** 10 (63)
- **Septic Shock:** 8 (50)
- **Renal Failure:** 8 (50)
- **Diarrhea:** 8 (50)
- **Focal Weakness:** 5 (31)
- **Other:** 1 (6)

**30-day mortality**

- 9 (56)
- 11 (69)

**Abbreviations:** IQR: Interquartile range; HSCT: Hematopoietic stem cell transplant; SOT: solid organ transplant; DDRT: Decased donor renal transplant; OHT: orthotopic heart transplant; SKP: Simultaneous kidney pancreas transplant

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**First Available Diagnostic Result**

- **PCR**
- **Pathology**
- **Other**

**Total=16**

**30-90-Day Mortality**

- **Survived**
- **Deceased**

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**2694. Incidence of Pneumocystis jiroveci (PJP) Infection with 3-Month Prophylaxis of Aerosolized Pentamidine (AP) in Autologous Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (HSCT)**

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**Background:** HSCT patients are at an increased risk of developing PJP after transplant due to treatment induced immunosuppression. Given the risk of cytopenias with co-trimoxazole, AP is utilized as an alternative for PJP prophylaxis. A prior study revealed a 0% (0/19 patients) incidence when AP prophylaxis was given for one year post autologous HSCT. Current guidelines recommend a duration of 3 – 6 months for PJP prophylaxis in autologous HSCT. The primary endpoint of this study was to assess the incidence of PJP infection within one year post autologous HSCT in patients who received 3 months of AP. Secondary endpoint was a cost comparison of 3 months compared with 6 months of AP.

**Methods:** A single-center, retrospective study of adult autologous HSCT patients at Yale New Haven Hospital between February 2013 and December 2017 was performed. Patients were excluded if: <18 years of age, received < or >3 months of AP, changed to alternative PJP prophylactic agent or received no PJP prophylaxis, received tandem HSCT, deceased prior to one year post-transplant from a non PJP-related infection, HIV positive, or lost to follow-up. Pentamidine was given as a 300 mg inhalation monthly for 3 months starting Day +15 after autologous HSCT.

**Results:** A total of 288 patients were analyzed, no PJP infections occurred within one year post HSCT. Additionally, 187 (65%) patients received treatment post HSCT with 135/215 (63%) receiving maintenance immunomodulatory drugs for myeloma and 40/288 (14%) patients developing relapsed disease. 43% of the chemotherapy regimens for relapsed disease included high dose corticosteroids. The cost difference of using 3 months vs. 6 months of AP is $790, reflecting the cost of drug and its administration. Applying our incidence of 0%, potential cost savings of 3 months vs. 6 months of AP would be $330,000 over 5 years or $66,000 per year.

**Conclusion:** Three months of AP for PJP prophylaxis in autologous HSCT patients is safe and effective as well as cost-effective compared with a 6 month regimen.

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**2695. Pneumocystis jirovecii Pneumonia in the Era of Effective Prophylaxis Following Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation**

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**Background:** Pneumocystis jirovecii pneumonia is an uncommon and life-threatening disease that can occur following hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT). Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (TMP-SMX) prophylaxis greatly reduces the incidence of PJP. We aim to determine what factors contribute to the development of PJP following HSCT where TMP-SMX prophylaxis is widely used.

**Methods:** We performed a single-center, retrospective case series of HSCT recipients from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2018. Subjects had clinical symptoms and radiographic evidence for PJP along with at least one positive **Pneumocystis** test obtained from bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) including direct fluorescence antibody (DFA), quantitative polymerase chain reaction (qPCR), cytology, and pathology.

**Results:** 1111 subjects underwent HSCT; of whom, 25 (2.2%) met inclusion criteria and were treated for PJP; 6 were autologous and 19 were allogeneic HSCT recipients (1.23% and 3.05% of total autologous and allogeneic HSCT, respectively). All allogeneic HSCT recipients received in vivo T-cell depletion. Median duration from autologous and allogeneic HSCT to PJP diagnosis were 138 days (range 20 to 348) and 346 days (range 41 to 771), respectively. DFA qPCR was positive in all samples tested (n = 20, range 84 to 14900). DFA was positive in 6 (28%). Death from pneumonia occurred in 2 subjects; 11 (44%) required ICU stay, and 7 (27%) required intubation. At diagnosis, 3 subjects had relapse of underlying disease and 10 were on immunosuppression. 12 were on PJP prophylaxis (autologous HSCT n = 3), the most common of which was atovaquone (n = 5); only 2 subjects were on TMP-SMX. Cytomegalovirus (CMV) viremia was detected in 9 subjects (36%) prior to PJP diagnosis; 4 had pulmonary CMV coinfection. In total, 17 subjects (68%) had one of the above risk factors for PJP. Median total lymphocyte count and % lymphocytes were 5.1 × 10^9 cells/μL (range 1.4 to 38.5 × 10^9 cells/μL) and 9.6% (range 1.1 to 29.5%), respectively.

**Conclusion:** PJP is an uncommon (2.2%) of the study population) complication of HSCT while receiving PJP prophylaxis and in the absence of disease relapse, CMV reactivation, or ongoing immunosuppression. Presentation is often delayed in this population; a high degree of clinical suspicion should prompt diagnostic evaluation using a combination of laboratory tests on BAL fluid.

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**Background:** Toxoplasma gondii is a protozoan that is increasingly recognized and diagnosed. To decrease risk for illness and death related to Toxoplasma gondii infection after solid-organ transplantation (SOT), serologic testing for **Toxoplasma** is required for all deceased donors per OPTN policy as of 4/6/17. To assess the impact of universal donor testing and the optimal approach to DDT prevention, we analyzed potential DDT cases reviewed by DTAC.

**Methods:** All potential **Toxoplasma** donor-derived transmission events adjudicated by DTAC from 2008 to 2018 were reviewed. A standardized classification algorithm was used to adjudicate each event as proven, probable, possible, unlikely, excluded or intervention without disease transmission.

**Results:** Twenty-eight potential DDT events were reported between 2008 and 2018. Proven or probable (p/p) DDT developed in 16 organ recipients from 15 donors. In the 9 years prior to the new testing requirement (January 2008–March 2017) 11 organ recipients from 10 donors had p/p DDT (0.13 transmissions per 1,000 donors); in the first 21 months of the new testing requirement 5 recipients from 5 donors had p/p DDT (0.27 transmissions per 1,000 donors), rate ratio 2.13; 95% CI 0.577, 9.609 P = 0.18. 10 confirmed and 389 donor tests performed between April 6, 2017 and December 31, 2018 were **Toxoplasma** IgG seropositive. Recipient pre-SOT serostatus was unknown in 4 of 5 and negative in 1 case of p/p DDT. Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole prophylaxis was either stopped at < 3 months or not used in all 5 cases. Infection was diagnosed a median of 103 days (range 42–153) post-transplant. Four of the 5 recipients died.

**Conclusion:** DDT remains a morbid infection in both heart and non-heart recipients. Despite an apparent increase in DDT reporting to DTAC, it is unlikely that the actual incidence of this donor-derived event is increasing. Rather, with universal serologic screening of deceased donors and wider access to molecular diagnostics, DDT is increasingly recognized and diagnosed. To decrease risk for illness and death related to DDT, broader post-transplant recipient serologic testing and use of prophylaxis or monitoring for high-risk serostatus recipients (**Toxoplasma** D+/R−) is critical. The optimal duration of prophylaxis is uncertain at this time and warrants further study.

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**Background:** The opportunistic parasite **Toxoplasma** causes life-threatening complications in immunocompromised hosts such as hematopoietic cell transplantation (HCT) recipients. Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (TMP-SMX) is the agent of choice in preventing **Pneumocystis jirovecii** pneumonia and Toxoplasma, but how to manage immunosuppression often precludes its use. Broad-spectrum atovaquone also targets protozoan tachyzoite and cyst forms, but few studies examine its efficacy in prophylaxis among this vulnerable population. We present two HCT patients experiencing breakthrough toxoplasmosis despite compliance with atovaquone prophylaxis.

**Methods:** Review of literature and electronic medical records.

**Results:** Case 1. A 68-year-old **Toxoplasma** seropositive woman with myelodysplastic syndrome underwent Flu-Mel-ATG-matched unrelated donor HCT. On day +68 post HCT, she presented with encephalopathy. MRI brain revealed solid and ring-enhancing lesions correlating with positive CSF T. gondii PCR. Serum DNA PCR was negative. She received 12 weeks of sulfadiazine, pyrimethamine, and leucovorin with clinical and radiological improvement. Atovaquone prophylaxis was restarted given pancycopenia intolerance of TMP-SMX. Despite compliance, she experienced recurrent central nervous system toxoplasmosis. Her demise followed an unrelated ischemic cerebrovascular accident. Case 2. A 53-year-old **Toxoplasma** seropositive woman with CMV viremia and severe aplastic anemia limiting TMP-SMX use presented with pancycopenia on day +46 after HCT. Diagnosed with graft failure, routine screening revealed positive **Toxoplasma** PCR while on atovaquone prophylaxis. **Toxoplasma** PCR became negative after preemptive therapy. She underwent a second Flu-Cy-ATG-TBI-matched related donor HCT. 2 months later, medication noncompliance led to readmission with CMV viremia and culture-negative sepsis. Blood **Toxoplasma** PCR was positive at the time of death.

**Conclusion:** Toxoplasmosis prophylaxis failure can occur in allogeneic HCT recipients and remains a clinical challenge where TMP-SMX should remain first-line agent for this indication. In those unable to tolerate TMP-SMX, close clinical and **Toxoplasma** PCR monitoring may help identify reactivation and facilitate early initiation of therapy.

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