Table 8. Antiretroviral Regimens or Components That Should Not Be Offered At Any Time (Updated January 10, 2011)

	Rationale	Exception
Antiretroviral Regimens Not Reco	nmended	
Monotherapy with NRTI (AII)	 Rapid development of resistance Inferior ARV activity when compared with combination of three or more ARV agents 	No exception
Dual-NRTI regimens (AI)	 Rapid development of resistance Inferior ARV activity when compared with combination of three or more ARV agents 	No exception
Triple-NRTI regimens (AI) except for ABC/ZDV/3TC (BI) or possibly TDF + ZDV/3TC (BII)	 High rate of early virologic nonresponse seen when triple-NRTI combinations, including ABC/TDF/3TC and TDF/ddI/3TC, were used as initial regimen in ART-naïve patients. Other triple-NRTI regimens have not been evaluated. 	• ABC/ZDV/3TC (BI) and possibly TDF + ZDV/3TC (BII) in patients in whom other combinations are not desirable
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ATV + IDV (AIII)	Potential additive hyperbilirubinemia	No exception
ddI + d4T (AII)	 High incidence of toxicities: peripheral neuropathy, pancreatitis, and hyperlactatemia Reports of serious, even fatal, cases of lactic acidosis with hepatic steatosis with or without pancreatitis in pregnant women 	When no other ARV options are available and potential benefits outweigh the risks (BIII)
ddI + TDF (AII)	 Increased ddI concentrations and serious ddI- associated toxicities Potential for immunologic nonresponse and/or CD4 cell count decline High rate of early virologic failure Rapid selection of resistance mutations at failure 	 Clinicians caring for patients who are clinically stable on regimens containing TDF + ddI should consider altering the NRTIs to avoid this combination.
2-NNRTI combination (AI)	 When EFV combined with NVP, higher incidence of clinical adverse events seen when compared with either EFV- or NVP-based regimen. Both EFV and NVP may induce metabolism and may lead to reductions in ETR exposure; thus, they should not be used in combination with ETR. 	No exception
EFV in first trimester of pregnancy or in women with significant childbearing potential (AIII)	Teratogenic in nonhuman primates	When no other ARV options are available and potential benefits outweigh the risks (BIII)
FTC + 3TC (AIII)	Similar resistance profilesNo potential benefit	No exception
ETR + unboosted PI (AII)	• ETR may induce metabolism of these PIs; appropriate doses not yet established	No exception
ETR + RTV-boosted ATV or FPV (AII)	• ETR may alter the concentrations of these PIs; appropriate doses not yet established	No exception
ETR + RTV-boosted TPV (AII)	• ETR concentration may be significantly reduced by RTV-boosted TPV	No exception
NVP in ARV-naïve women with CD4 count >250 cells/mm ³ or men with CD4 count >400 cells/mm ³ (BI)	High incidence of symptomatic hepatotoxicity	If no other ARV option available; if used, patient should be closely monitored
d4T + ZDV (AII)	Antagonistic effect on HIV-1	No exception
Unboosted DRV, SQV, or TPV (AII)	Inadequate bioavailability	No exception

Acronyms:

3TC = lamivudine, ABC = abacavir, ATV = atazanavir, d4T = stavudine, ddI = didanosine, DRV = darunavir, EFV = efavirenz, ETR = etravirine, FPV = fosamprenavir, FTC = emitricitabine, IDV = indinavir, NVP = nevirapine, RTV = ritonavir, SQV = saquinavir, TDF = tenofovir, TPV = tipranavir, ZDV = tipranavir, ZV = tipranavirzidovudine