Very Early HIV Treatment: A Functional Cure?

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Frankly, it’s too soon to say. But an intriguing study being released tomorrow at the 19th International AIDS Conference in Washington, DC will suggest that starting anti-HIV therapy very soon after infection could allow patients to stop therapy and still suppress the virus the rest of their lives -- a so-called functional cure.

Of course, this might only be useful for the newly infected. The rest of us will need to wait for a great deal more research in this area.

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