

Erratum: Southern African HIV Clinicians Society 2022 guideline for the management of sexually transmitted infections: Moving towards best practice



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The original paragraph:

The manifestation of GUD is diverse and the characteristics of the ulcer (e.g. presence or absence of pain, shape of edges, multiplicity) are of poor diagnostic value in determining aetiology, particularly in PLHIV.³⁴ Attempting to clinically diagnose the aetiology of GUD using ulcer characteristics is not recommended and should not be used to inform treatment decisions. HSV-1 and HSV-2 are the most common causes of genital ulcers followed by *Treponema pallidum*, the causative agent of syphilis. Lymphogranuloma venereum (LGV) caused by *C. trachomatis* biovars L1–L3, chancroid (*Haemophilus ducreyi*), and donovanosis (*Klebsiella granulomatis*) have become uncommon in the last decade.^{14,35,36}

The revised and updated paragraph:

The manifestation of GUD is diverse and the characteristics of the ulcer (e.g. presence or absence of pain, shape of edges, multiplicity) are of poor diagnostic value in determining aetiology, particularly in PLHIV.³⁴ Attempting to clinically diagnose the aetiology of GUD using ulcer characteristics is not recommended and should not be used to inform treatment decisions. HSV-2 and HSV-1 are the most common causes of genital ulcers followed by *Treponema pallidum*, the causative agent of syphilis. Lymphogranuloma venereum (LGV) caused by *C. trachomatis* biovars L1–L3, chancroid (*Haemophilus ducreyi*), and donovanosis (*Klebsiella granulomatis*) have become uncommon in the last decade.^{14,35,36}

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