



NEW ANTIRETROVIRAL AGENTS

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Currently, there are 19 antiretroviral drugs (including two coformulation products) that are approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of HIV-infected individuals. The anti-HIV armamentarium continues to expand with a large number of investigational agents in varying stages of preclinical and clinical development. These new agents include convenient formulations of already existing agents, new agents in existing classes, as well as new agents in entirely novel classes. While it is likely that not all of these agents will complete the development process and be available for clinical application, it is comforting for both patients, their families, and their health care providers that the antiretroviral drug development pipeline has not run dry.