

Infectious diseases: First years of AIDS



American poster

Action: Mainly in Dallas (Texas, USA), from 1985 to 1992.

Technical Details

Original title: *Dallas buyers club*.

Country: USA.

Year: 2013.

Director: Jean-Marc Vallée.

Photography: Yves Bélanger.

Film editor: Martin Pensa, Jean-Marc Vallée (John Mac McMurphy).

Screenwriter: Craig Borten, Melissa Wallack.

Cast: Matthew McConaughey (Ron Woodroof), Jared Leto (Rayon), Jennifer Garner (doctora Eve Saks), Griffin Dune (doctor Vass), Denis O'Hare (doctor Sevard), Michael O'Neill (Richard Barkley), Steve Zahn (Tucker), Kevin Rankin (TJ), Bradford Cox (Sunny)...

Color: Color.

Runtime: 117 minutes.

Genre: Biography, Drama.

Language: English.

Production Companies: Truth Entertainment (II), Voltage Pictures, r2 films (R2 Films), Evolution Independent, CE, RainMaker Films.

Synopsis: set in the mid 80's. Based on the true story of Ron Woodroof, a cowboy and electrician from Dallas, womanizer and drug addict, who is diagnosed with AIDS and predicted with 30 days of life. The film narrates Ron's fight to change his lifestyle and stop the development of his disease, looking for therapeutic alternatives to azidothymidine (AZT), the only drug available in the USA at that time and which presented high toxicity and low efficiency. During this enterprise Ron meets Rayon, a seropositive transsexual. Together they found the Dallas Buyers Club, one of the many associations existing in the country in which people with AIDS can obtain drugs without depending on hospitals. Because of this, Ron suffers the persecution of both the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and pharmaceutical companies. That situation will take him to join forces with Dr. Eve Saks, in order to unmask the financial interests of institutions and to fight for the patients' rights (1).

Awards: Oscar for Best Actor in a Leading Role (Matthew McConaughey), Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Jared Leto) and Best Makeup and Hairstyling. Nominations: Oscar for Best Picture, Best Film Editing and Best Original Screenplay.

Available: *Dallas Buyers Club* (DVD, BLU-RAY). Madrid: Sony Pictures Entertainment Iberia S; 2014.

Links:

<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0790636>

<https://www.filmaffinity.com/es/film472295.html>

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Ron Woodroof, throughout his life, will suffer weight loss..



... Cough,...



... Muscle cramps in his calf,...



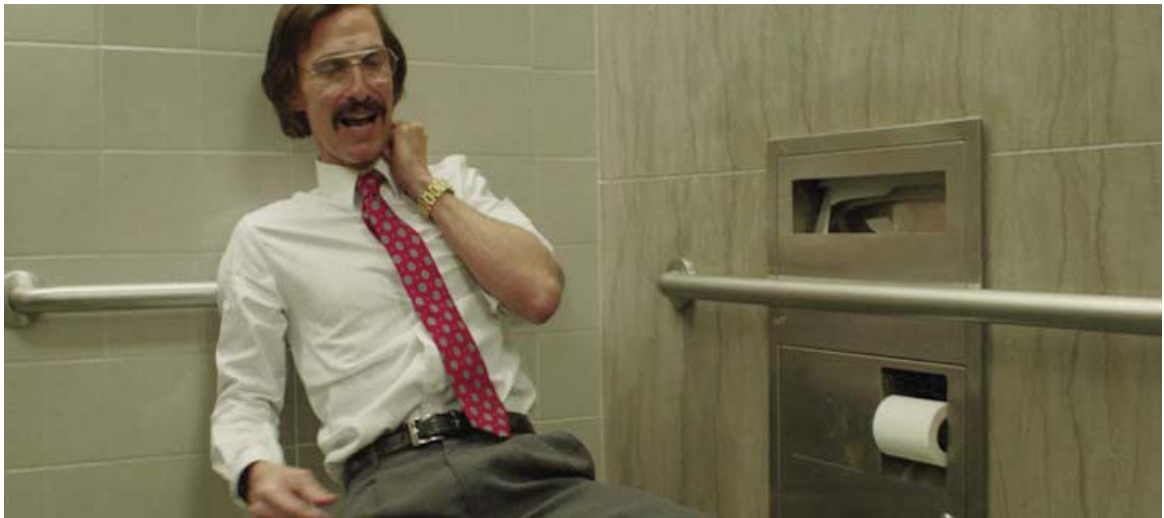
... Headache,...



... Moments of great impairment,...



... Hospital admissions,...



... A myocardial infarction after injecting himself an ¿interferon? bolus,...



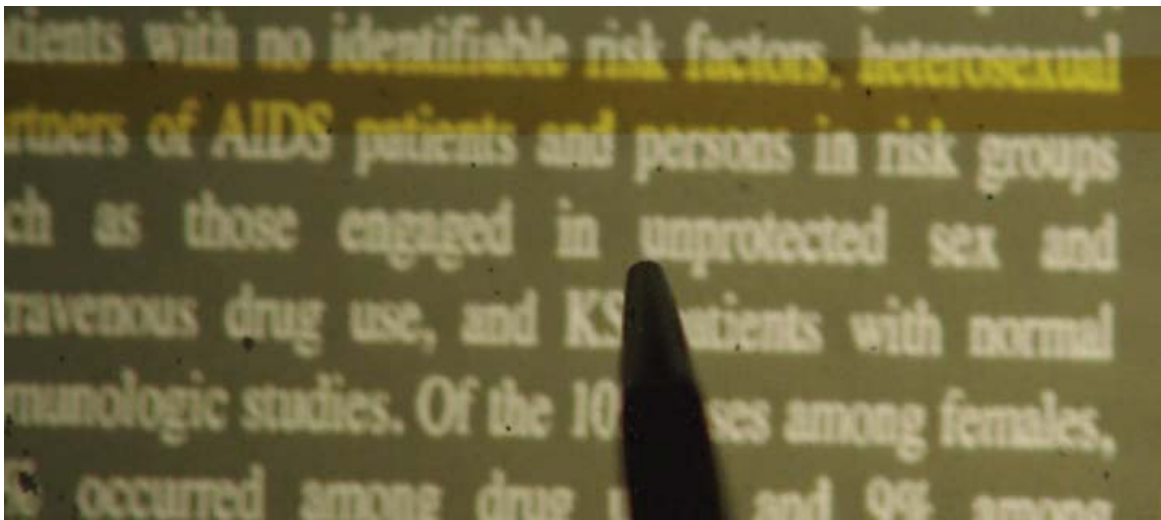
... Disorientation,...



... Seborrheic dermatitis,...



... Rayon shows Kaposi's sarcoma on his forehead.



Groups at risk.



Rayon initially takes AZT,...



... And then DCC and some other drugs...



... That brings into the USA in a roughly legal way.

Conclusion: Recomendable. High educational value.

References

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