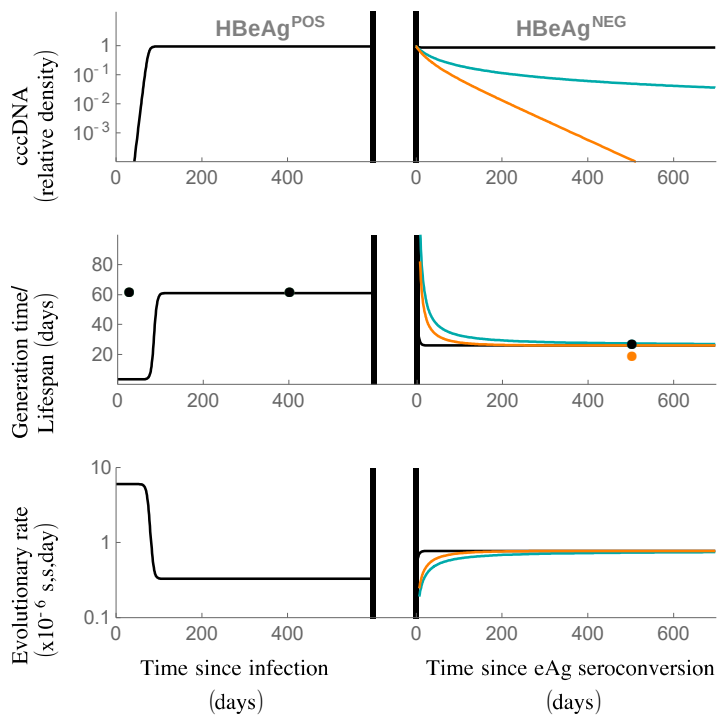


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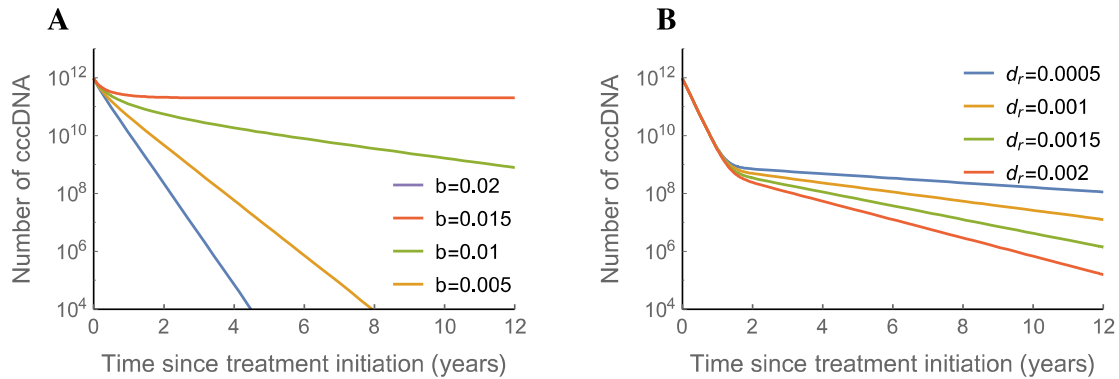
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Supplementary Figures



S1 Fig. Population and evolutionary dynamics of cccDNA for the within-host model assuming all cccDNA survives mitosis ($q=1$). The model was parameterised assuming the generation time, g , during chronic HBeAg^{POS} infection is 61 days, and during chronic HBeAg^{NEG} infection is 26 days, in line with our predictions for cccDNA generation time *in vivo*. The top panel shows the cccDNA burden, where 1 represents the maximum possible burden. The middle panel shows the viral generation time (lines) and cccDNA lifespan during key stages of infection (dots, derived from Eqs 9 and 10). The bottom row shows the evolutionary rates. Black line: replicative capacity during HBeAg^{NEG} infection remains the same as during HBeAg-positive infection ($b_{eAg+} = b_{eAg-} = 0.3$ per day). Blue line: replicative capacity falls to $b_{eAg-} = 0.038$ per day during HBeAg^{NEG} infection, and $R_0 = 1$. Orange line: replicative capacity falls to $b_{eAg-} = 0.038$ per day and $R_0 = 0.7$. See Table 1 for all other parameters.



S2 Fig. Effect of NA treatment predicted by the model assuming all cccDNA survives mitosis ($q=1$).

A: cccDNA dynamics whilst on treatment, assuming some residual reproduction. For all cells $d=0.002$ per day, $\delta=0.014$ per day, $c=0$, $q=1$. B: cccDNA dynamics on treatment, assuming no residual reproduction ($b=0$) but 0.1% cccDNA is long-lived, for different death rates of long-lived cells, d_r , per day. For normal cells $d=0.002$, $\delta=0.014$, $c=0$, $q=1$, and for long-lived cells $\delta r=0$, $c_r=0$, $q=0$. The maximum number of cccDNA was assumed to be 10^{12} , and all model runs were started at equilibrium in the absence of treatment ($b=0.3$).