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**Damian Rossler\***, University of Oxford, Andrew Wiles Building, University of Oxford, Andrew Wiles Building, Oxford, OX2 6GG, United Kingdom. *On the group of purely inseparable points of an abelian variety defined over a function field of positive characteristic.*

Let  $A$  be an abelian variety over the function field  $K$  of a curve over a finite field. We describe several mild geometric conditions ensuring that the group  $A(K^{p\text{-inf}})$  is finitely generated and that the  $p$ -primary torsion subgroup of  $A(K^{\text{sep}})$  is finite. This gives partial answers to questions of Scanlon, Ghioca and Moosa, and Poonen and Voloch. We also describe a simple theory (used to prove our results) relating the Harder-Narasimhan filtration of vector bundles to the structure of finite flat group schemes of height one over projective curves over perfect fields. Finally, we use our results to give a complete proof of a conjecture of Esnault and Langer on Verschiebung divisibility of points in abelian varieties over function fields. (Received September 01, 2021)