

Liver Disease in HIV

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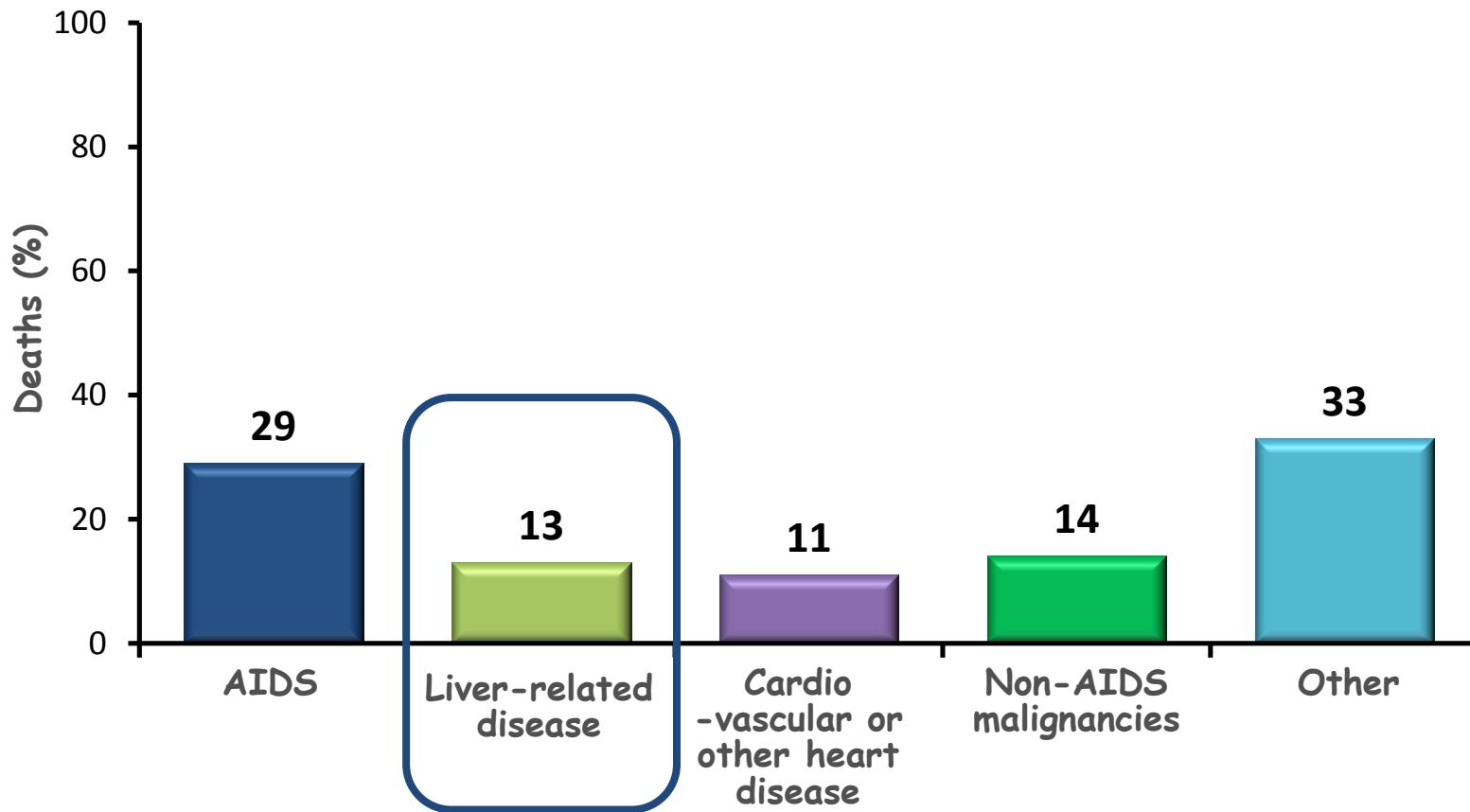
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Outline

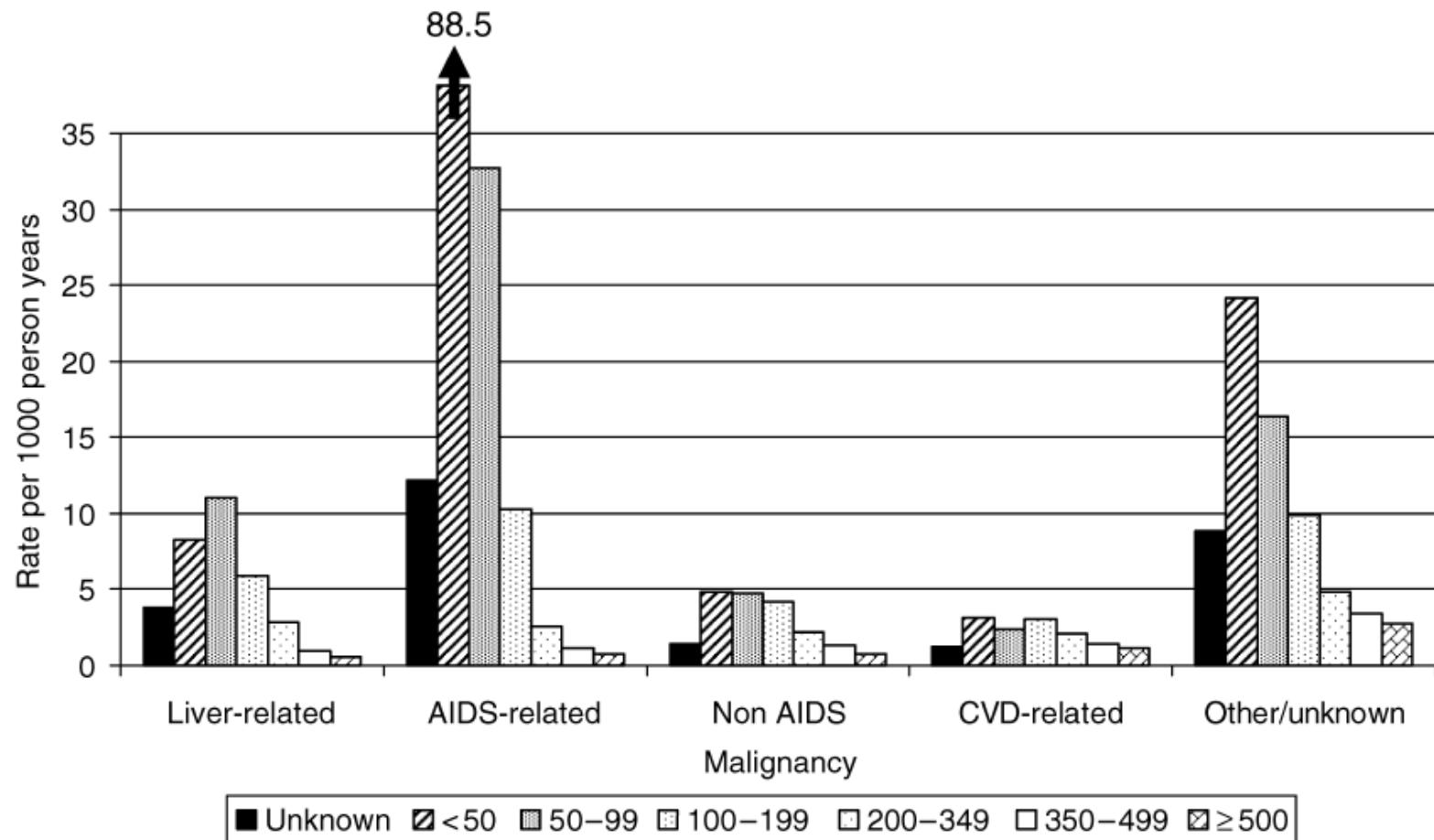
- Importance of liver disease in HIV
- Drug-induced liver disease
- HBV
- HCV
- Case-based discussion (Friday pm)
 - Non-invasive monitoring of liver disease
 - Concepts of ESLD management

D:A:D: Liver-related death is a frequent cause of non-AIDS death in HIV-infected patients

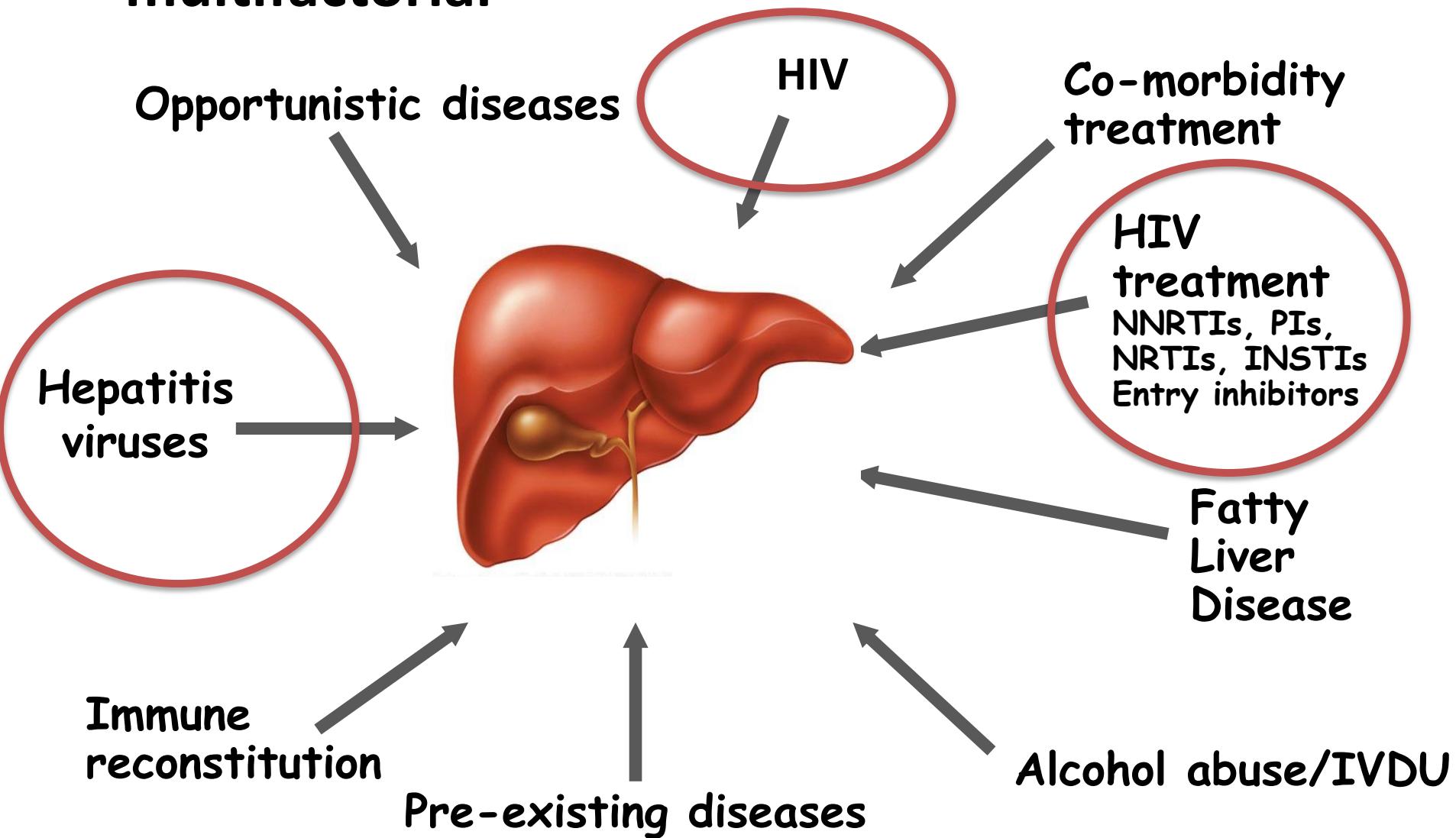
D:A:D Study: Causes of death in n=49,734 HIV-infected patients followed 1999–2011



Liver-related death and CD4 count



Liver Disease in HIV-infected Patients - multifactorial

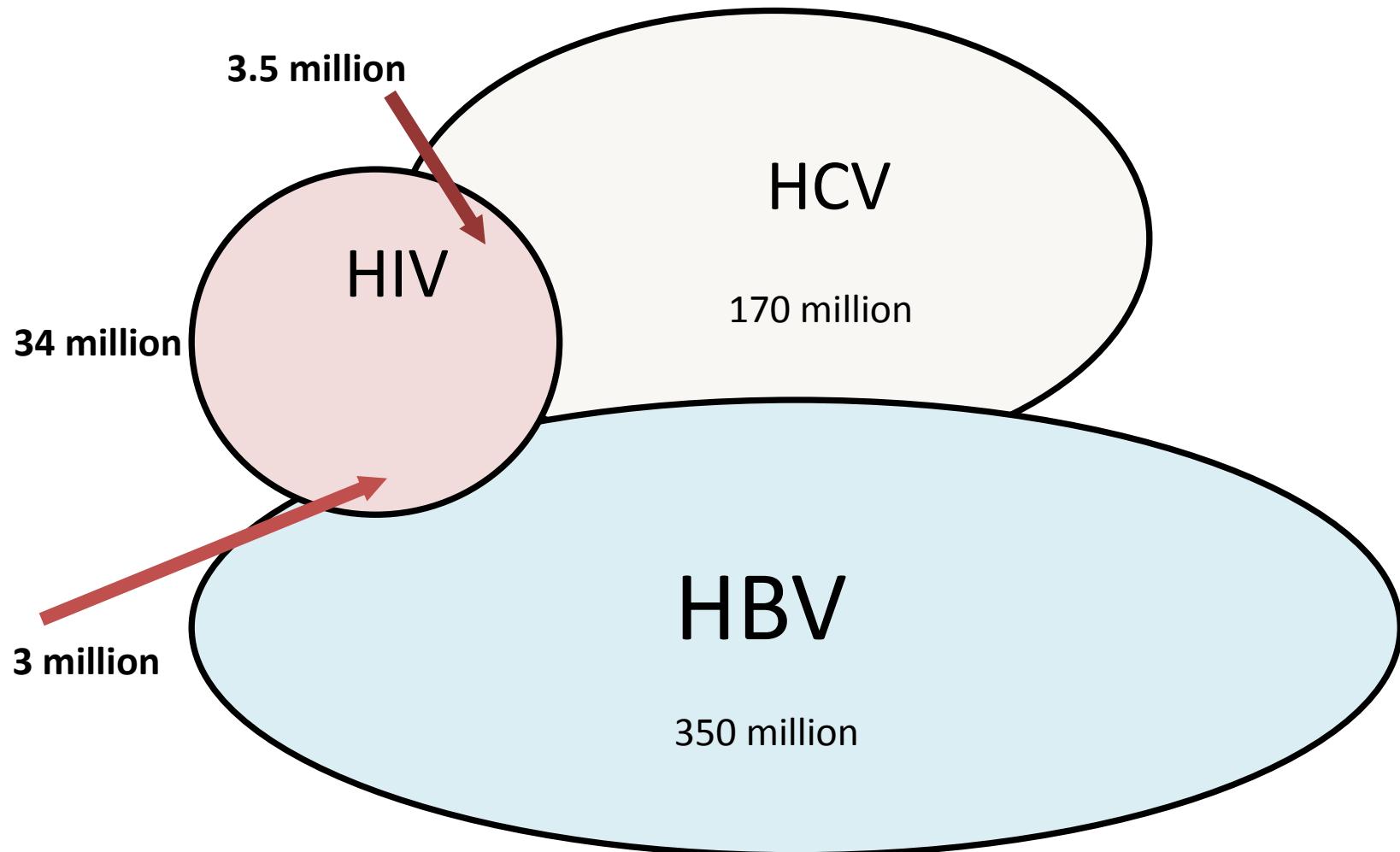


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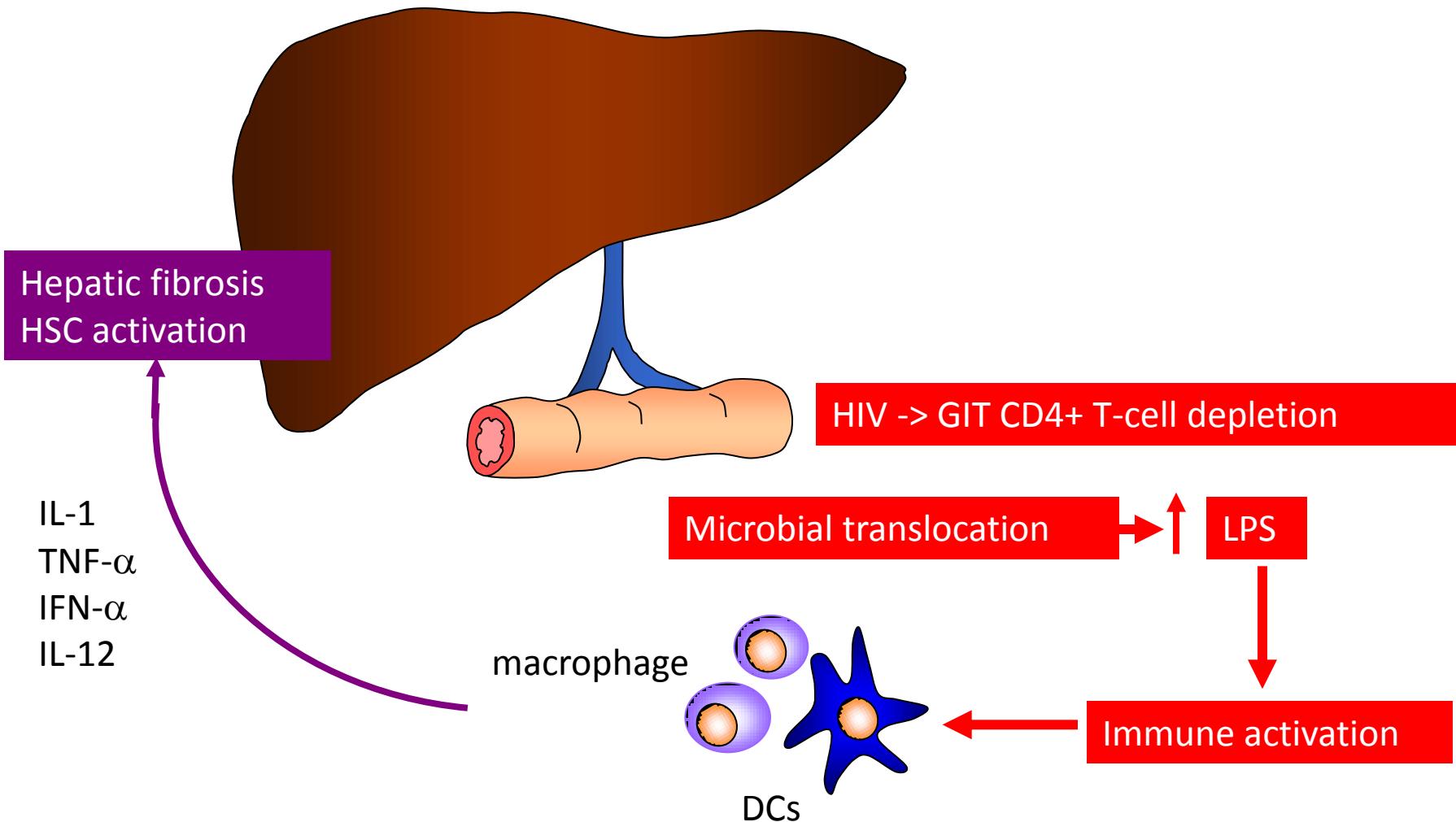
Infect Dis 2008 47(2): 250-257

Greub G et al. Lancet 2000;356:1800-1805

Overlapping epidemics – co-infections

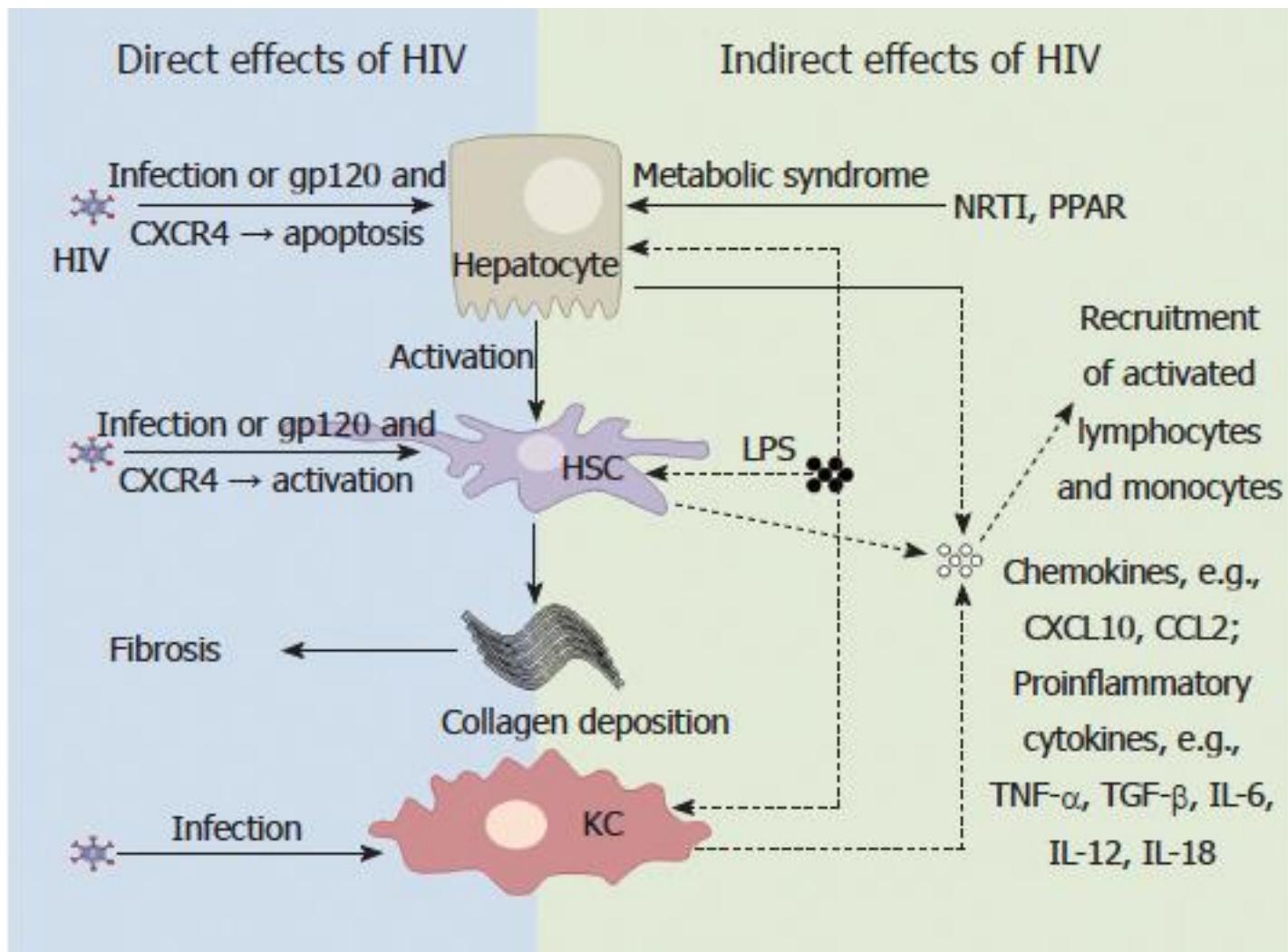


HIV-associated Immune activation and liver disease



Mathurin et al., Hepatology 2000; 32:1008-1017; Paik et al., Hepatology 2003; 37:1043-1055;
Balagopal et al., Gastroenterology 2008; 135:226-233..

HIV – direct effects on the liver



START liver fibrosis study (2014)

- Sub-study of 230 (4577) patients
- Baseline FibroScan, FIB-4, APRI
- 7.8% >F2 fibrosis by FibroScan (10% FIB-4, 8.6% APRI)
- Multivariate analysis
 - Significant Fibrosis associated with HIV RNA and ALT at baseline
 - Not associated with BMI or use of anti-lipid therapy

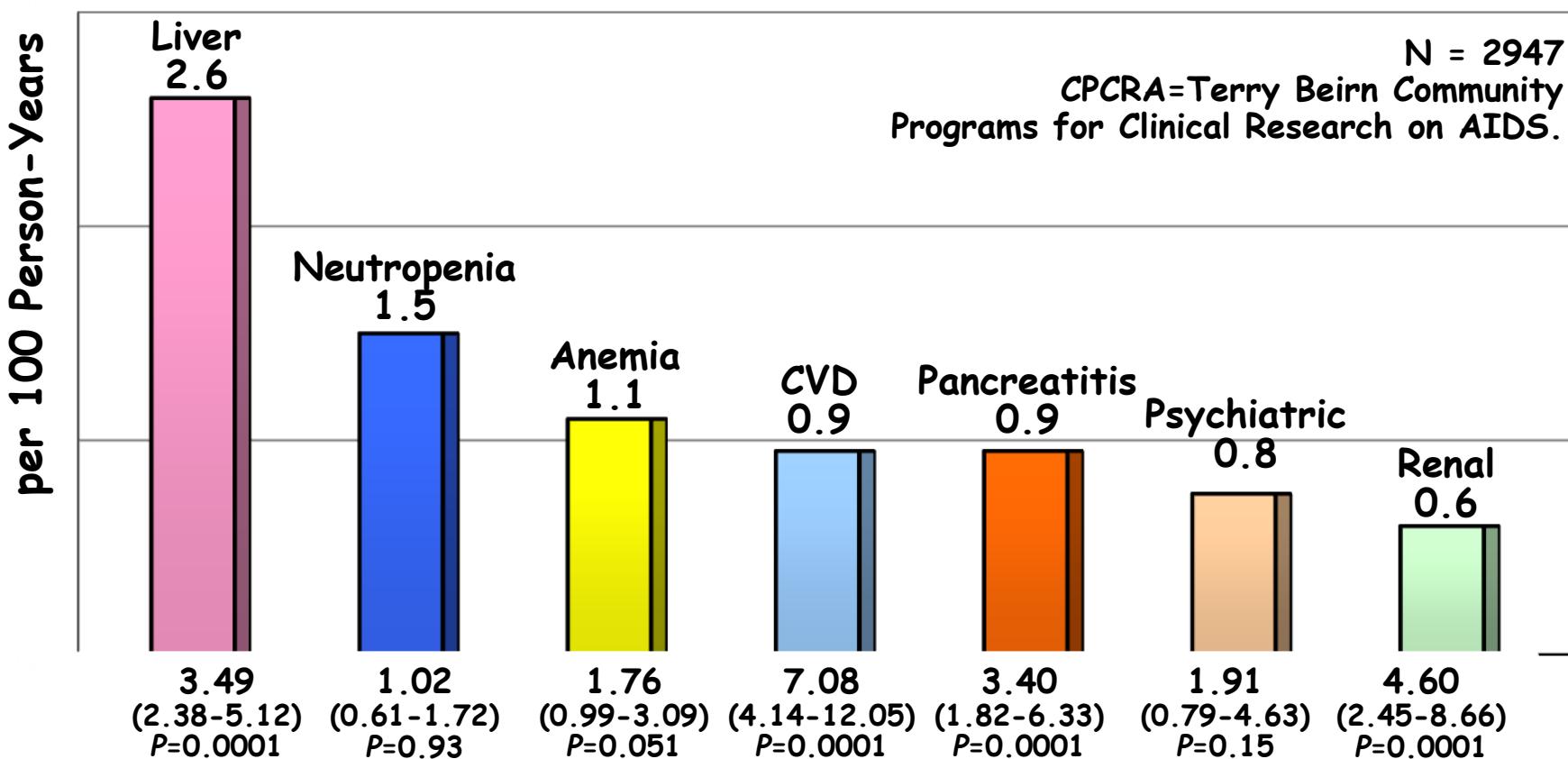
Hepatotoxicity with ARVs

- Toxicity has emerged as one of the leading causes of HIV related morbidity, mortality and treatment discontinuation
 - Toxicity the major reason for hospital admission¹
 - Hepatotoxicity the most frequent (30%)¹
 - Hepatotoxicity historically 3rd most common reason for ART toxicity related discontinuation
- High rates of HBV and HCV co-infection likely to increase risk of hepatotoxicity

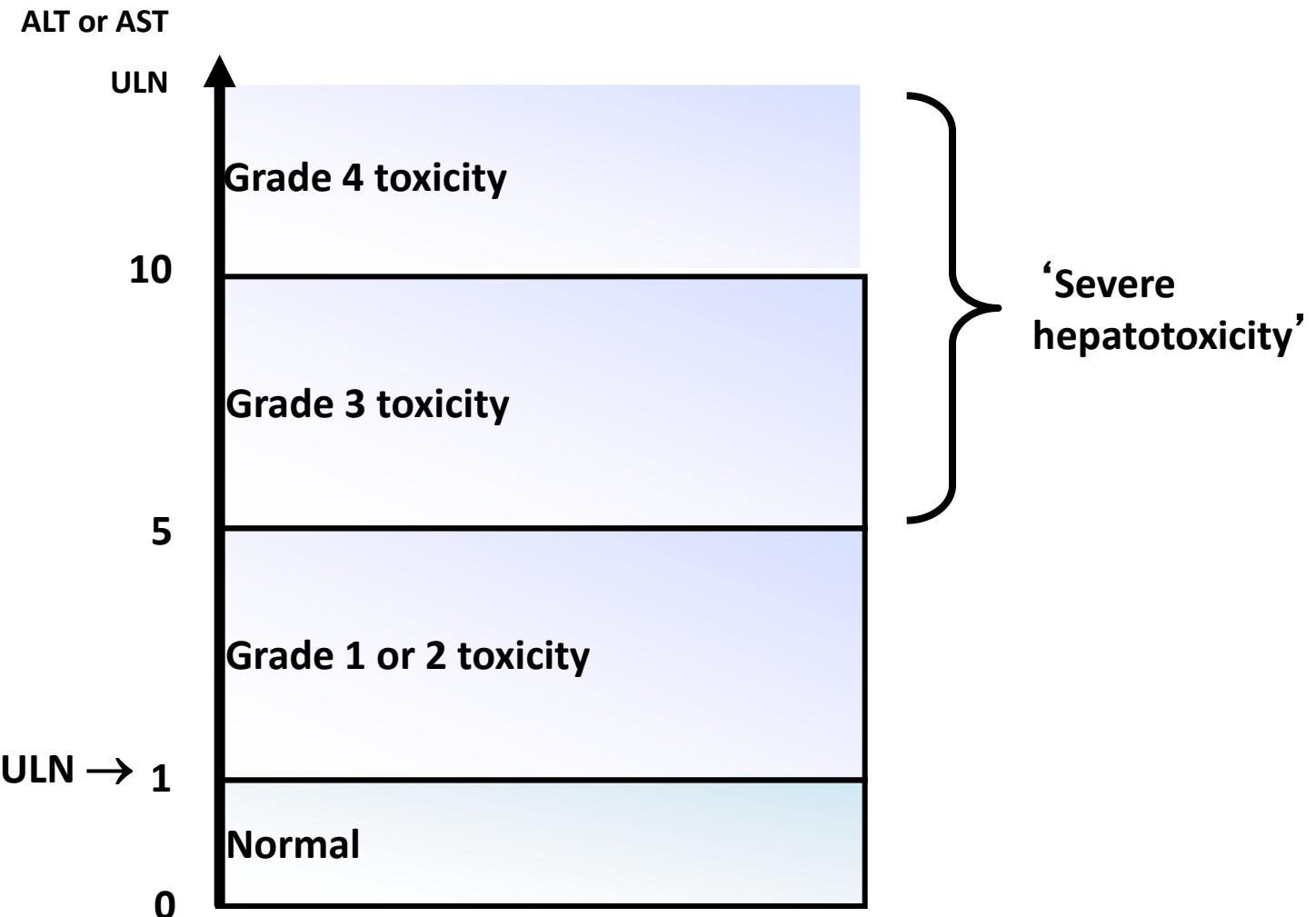
Most Common Grade 4 Events: CPCRA Cohort

Incidence

Hazard Ratio For Death by Grade 4 Event (95% CI)



Defining Hepatotoxicity



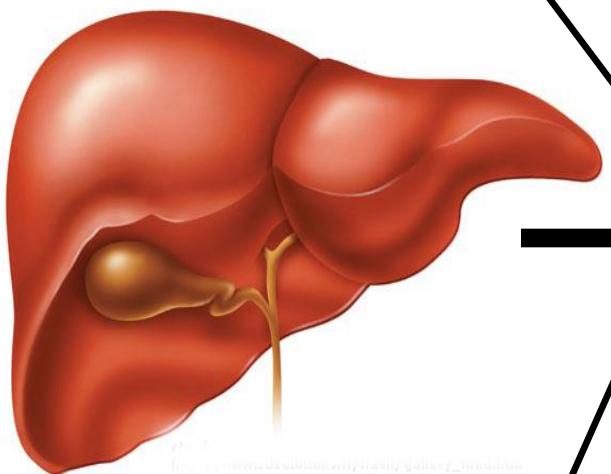
Mechanisms of drug-related liver injury in HIV-infected patients

Mechanism	
Metabolic host-mediated (intrinsic and idiosyncratic)	NNRTIs and PIs Usually 2-12 months after initiation Occurrence can vary by agent Dose-dependence for intrinsic damage
Hypersensitivity	NVP>ABC>fosAPV Early, usually within 2-12 weeks Often associated with rash HLA-linked
Mitochondrial toxicity	NRTIs ddI>d4T>AZT>ABC=TDF=FTC/3TC
Immune reconstitution	Chronic Hepatitis B Chronic HCV? Within first few months More common if low CD4 count/large rise

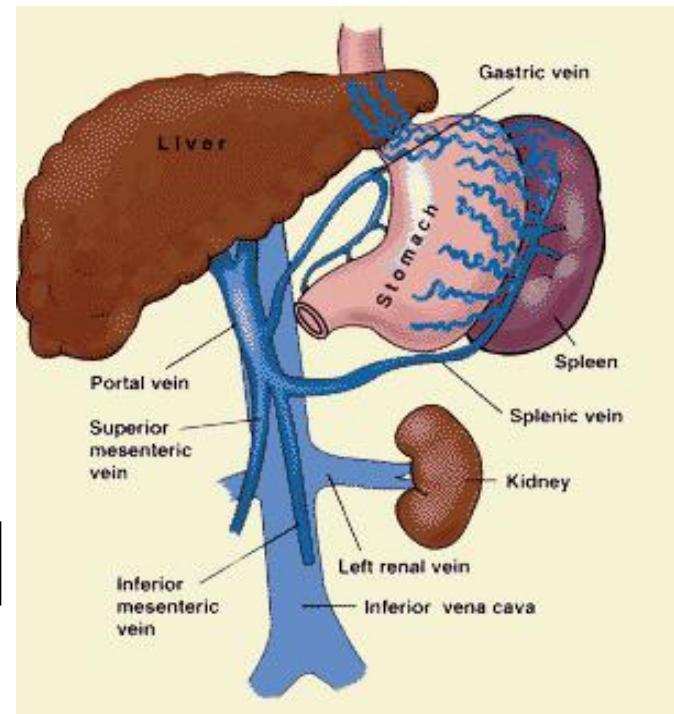
Non Cirrhotic Portal Hypertension

- Almost exclusively associated with didanosine (ddI) use
 - Related to duration of use
 - May present many years after discontinuation
- Histologically:
 - Nodular regenerative hyperplasia
 - Partial Nodular Transformation
 - Portal venopathy
 - May be normal
- Clinically: Portal hypertension
 - Variceal bleeding (*Scourfield et al, IJSA 2011*)
 - Ascites
- Association with SNPs in 5-nucleotidase and xanthine oxidase (*Vispo et al, CID 2013*)
- ? Role of screening for ddI exposed patients

Bacterial Translocation



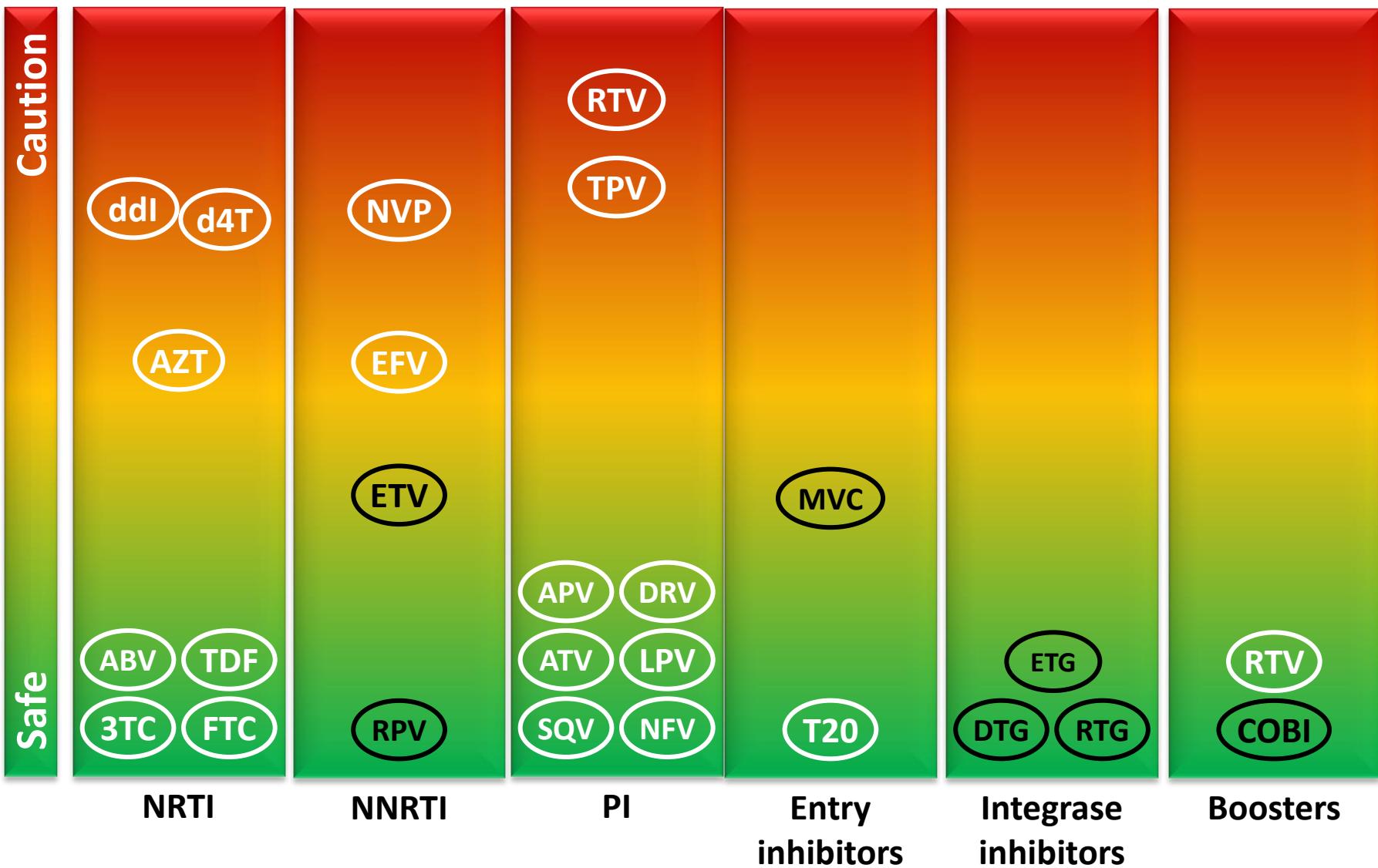
Prolonged DDI +/- other NRTI exposure



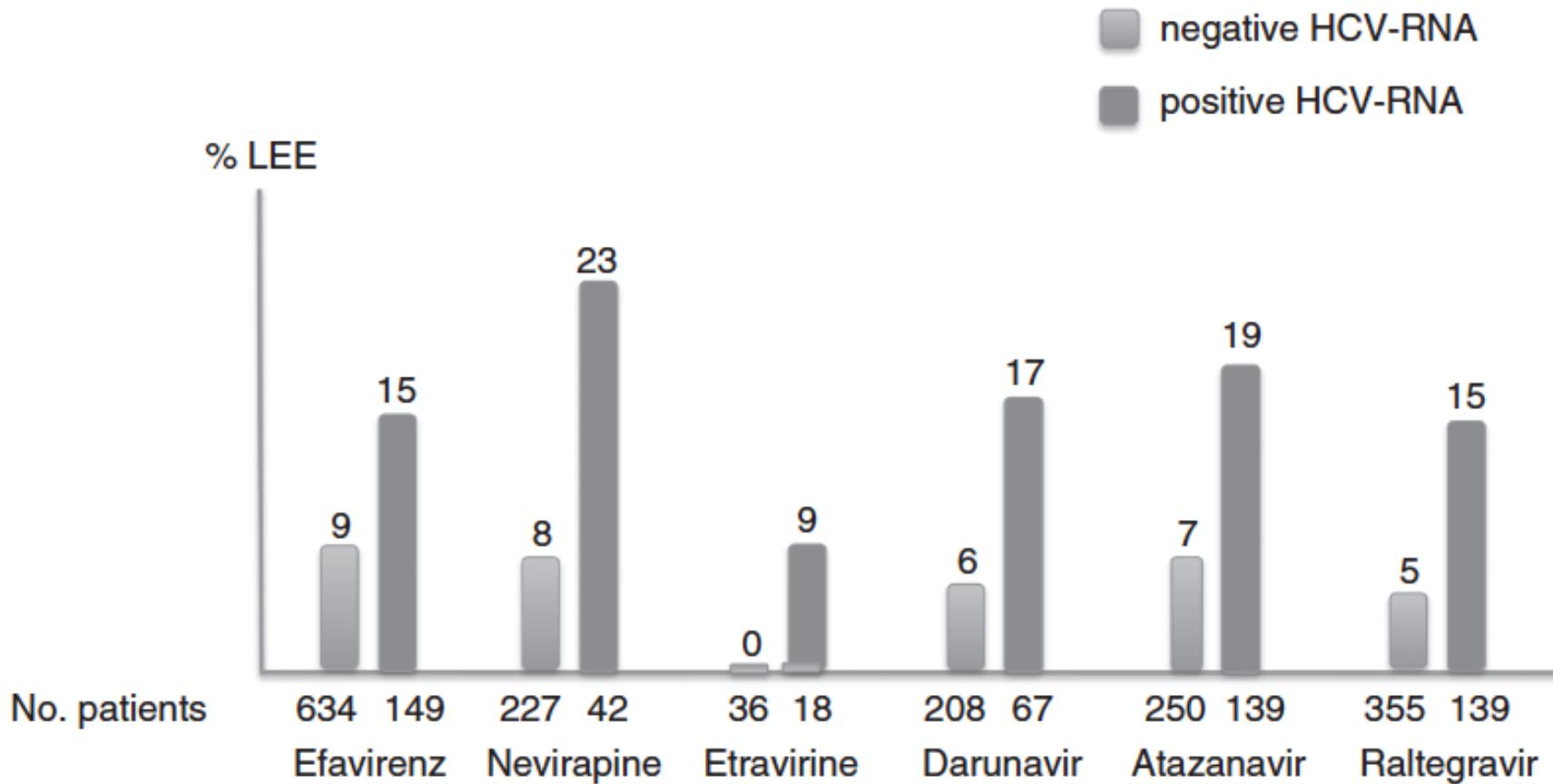
?Thrombophilia

?Genetic predisposition

Hepatic Safety Profile of ARVs



Hepatotoxicity of modern ARVs



Associated Risk factors for hepatotoxicity of ART

- Hepatitis B and C co-infection
- Higher baseline ALT/AST levels
- Alcohol
- Older age
- Female gender
- High or low CD4 count
- Lower BMI
- Use of ddI, d4T, NVP, RTV (>200mg/day rather than at 'boosting' 100mg/day)

Rodriguez-Rosado et al. AIDS 1998;12:1256; Sulkowski et al. JAMA 2000;283:74.;

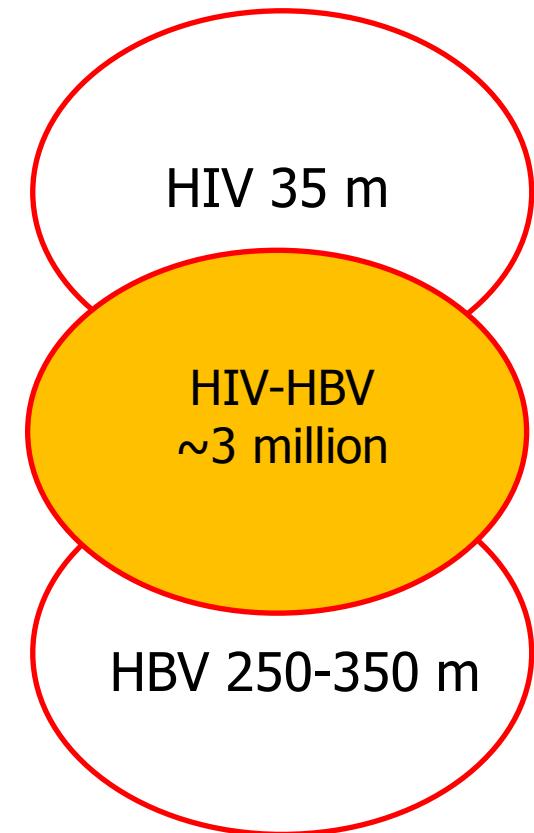
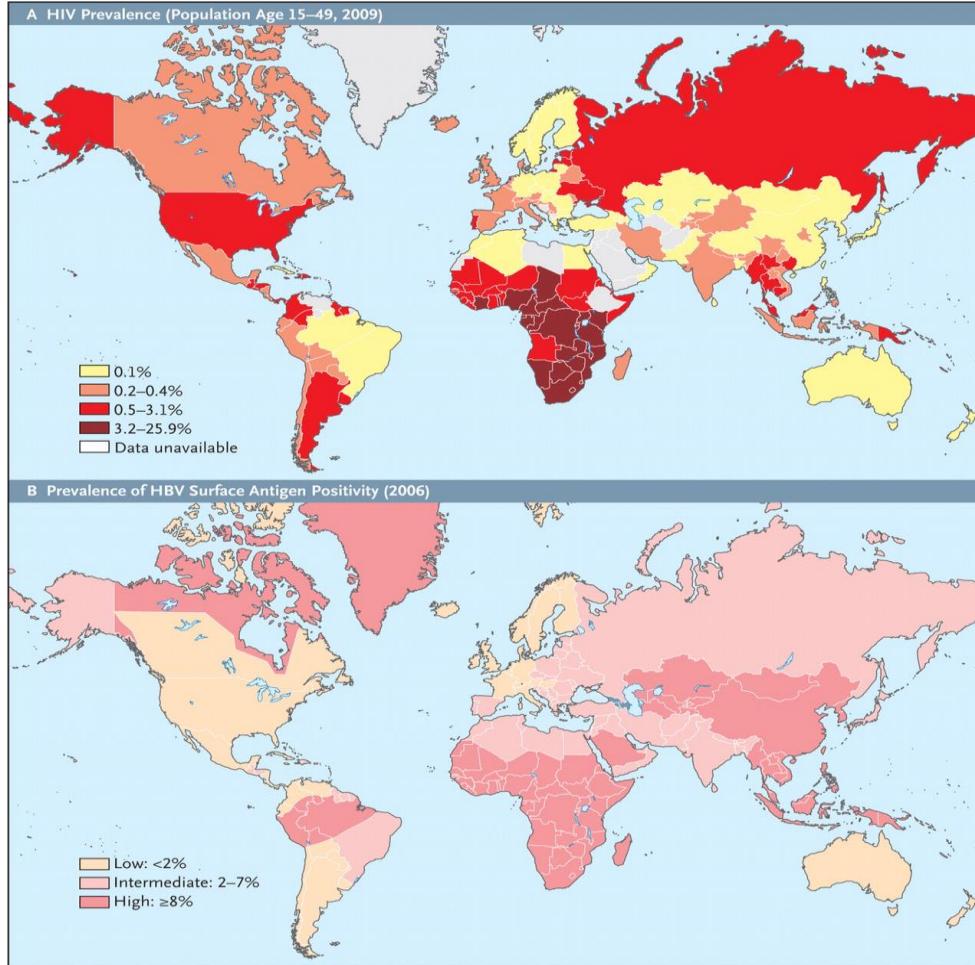
Saves et al. AIDS 1999;13:F115; den Brinker et al. AIDS 2000;14:2895;

Martínez et al. AIDS 2001;15:1261; Núñez et al. J AIDS 2001;27:426.

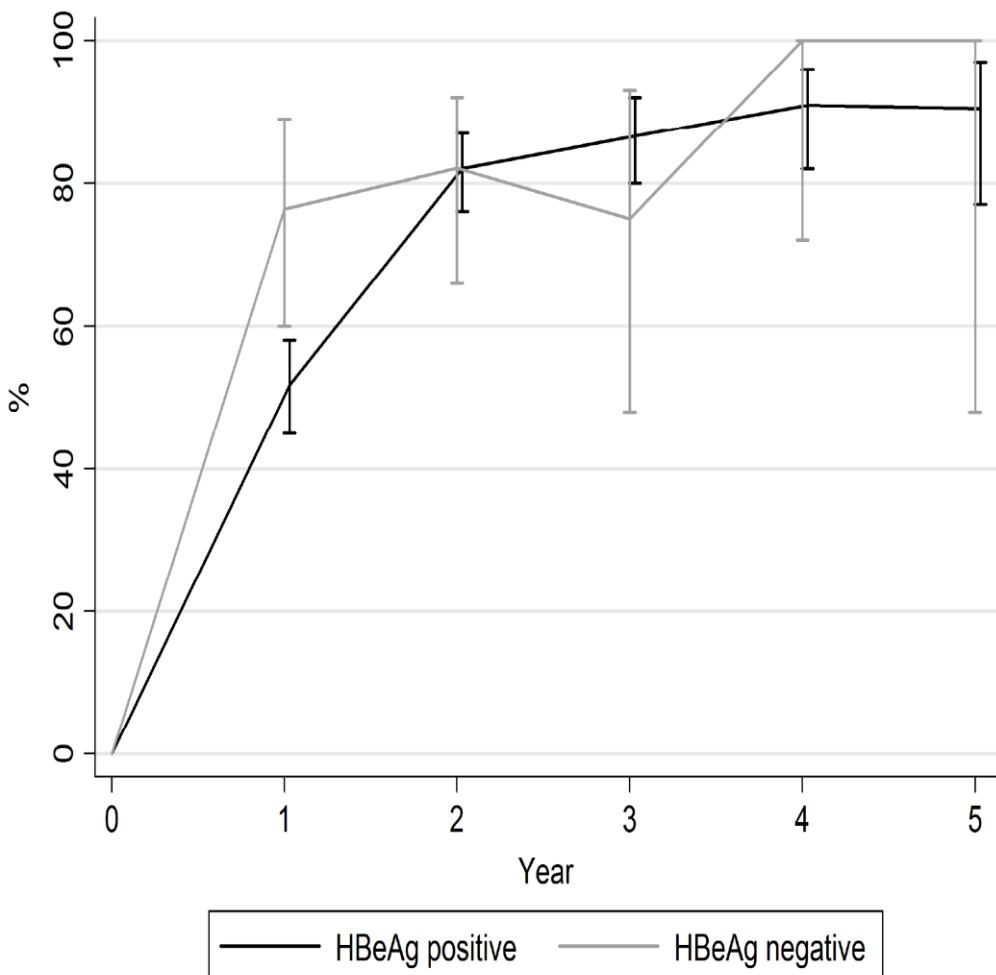
Hepatotoxicity in HBV and HCV co-infected patients - mechanisms

- Immune restoration - increase in CTL activity
- Direct hepatotoxicity – increased susceptibility of viral infected hepatocytes to metabolites
- Altered cytokine milieu in the presence of viral hepatitis
 - Increased risk of liver inflammation
 - Down-regulation of Cyp450 mediated drug metabolism with advancing liver disease

HIV-HBV: a huge global burden



13 years of tenofovir (TDF)



Meta-analysis 23 studies
550 HIV-HBV patients on
TDF

Increasing suppression
over follow-up in majority

Little evidence of resistance

All guidelines recommend TDF-containing ART as preferred regimen

First-line ART for adults (including pregnant and breastfeeding women and people with TB and HBV coinfection)

Preferred regimens	TDF + 3TC (or FTC) + EFV
Alternative regimens	AZT + 3TC + EFV (or NVP) TDF + 3TC (or FTC) + NVP
Special circumstances ^c	Regimens containing ABC, d4T ^b and boosted PIs

General agreement on when to start

	CD4 < 500	CD4 > 500
DHSS (US)	✓	✓
WHO	✓	Evidence of severe chronic liver disease
EACS (Europe)	✓	If HBV DNA > 2000 IU/ml or ALT elevated
BHIVA (UK)	✓	HBV DNA > 2000 IU/ml OR F=>2 by TE or biopsy

Lack of access to routine testing and monitoring

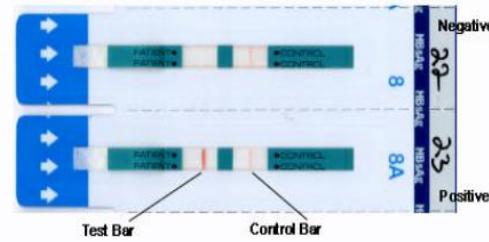
World Hepatitis Alliance/WHO global survey 2009: *Testing for HBV and/or HCV*

- >50% people live in countries with no free testing
- Only 4% low-income countries have ready access to testing

	Testing accessible to >50%	Testing anonymous	Free to all	Free to some
Africa	20%	40%	10%	27%
SE Asia	29%	29%	29%	14%
Europe	86%	55%	27%	55%

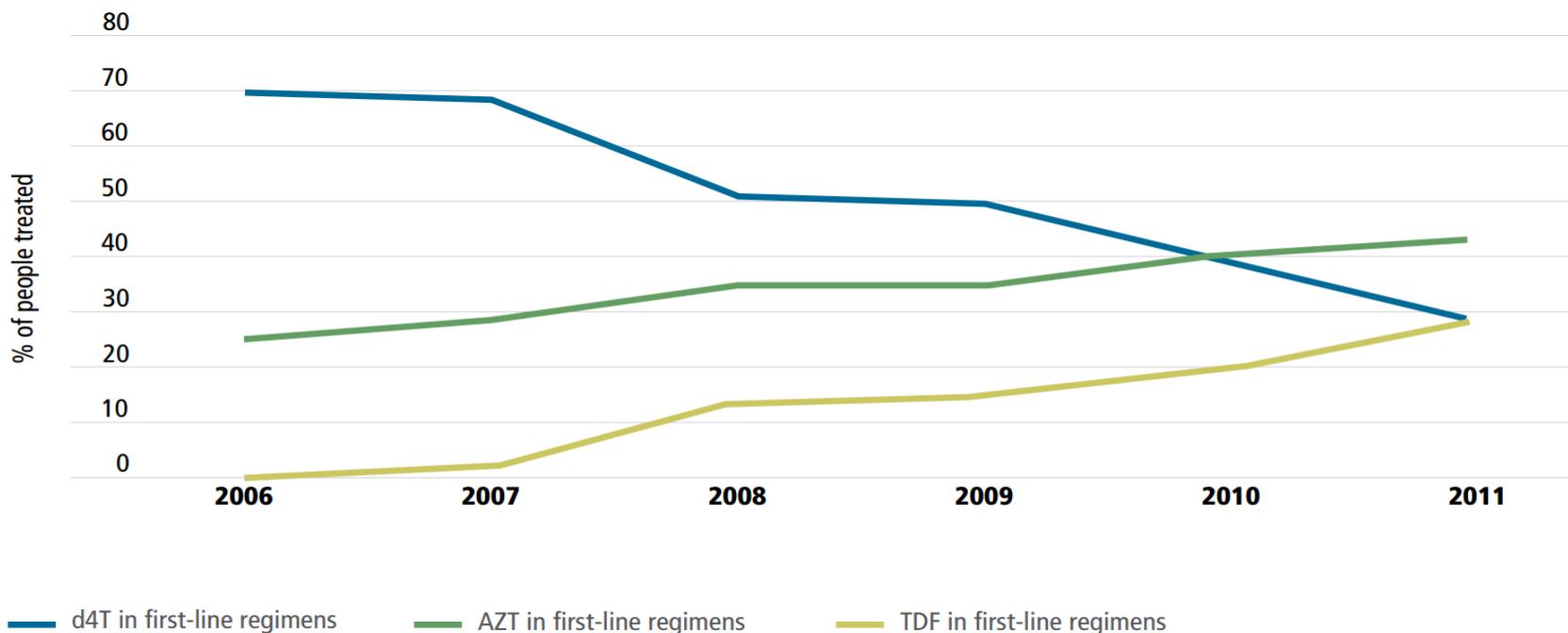
Lack of access to routine testing and monitoring

- Limited access to HBsAg testing means many co-infected individuals not identified pre-ART
- Little understanding of natural history of co-infection in RLS
- Liver disease fibrosis assessment not readily available
- Widespread absence of virological monitoring by HBV DNA testing



Although TDF use is improving, far from universal

Trends in d4T, AZT and TDF use in first-line antiretroviral therapy regimens for adults in low- and middle-income countries, 2006–2011



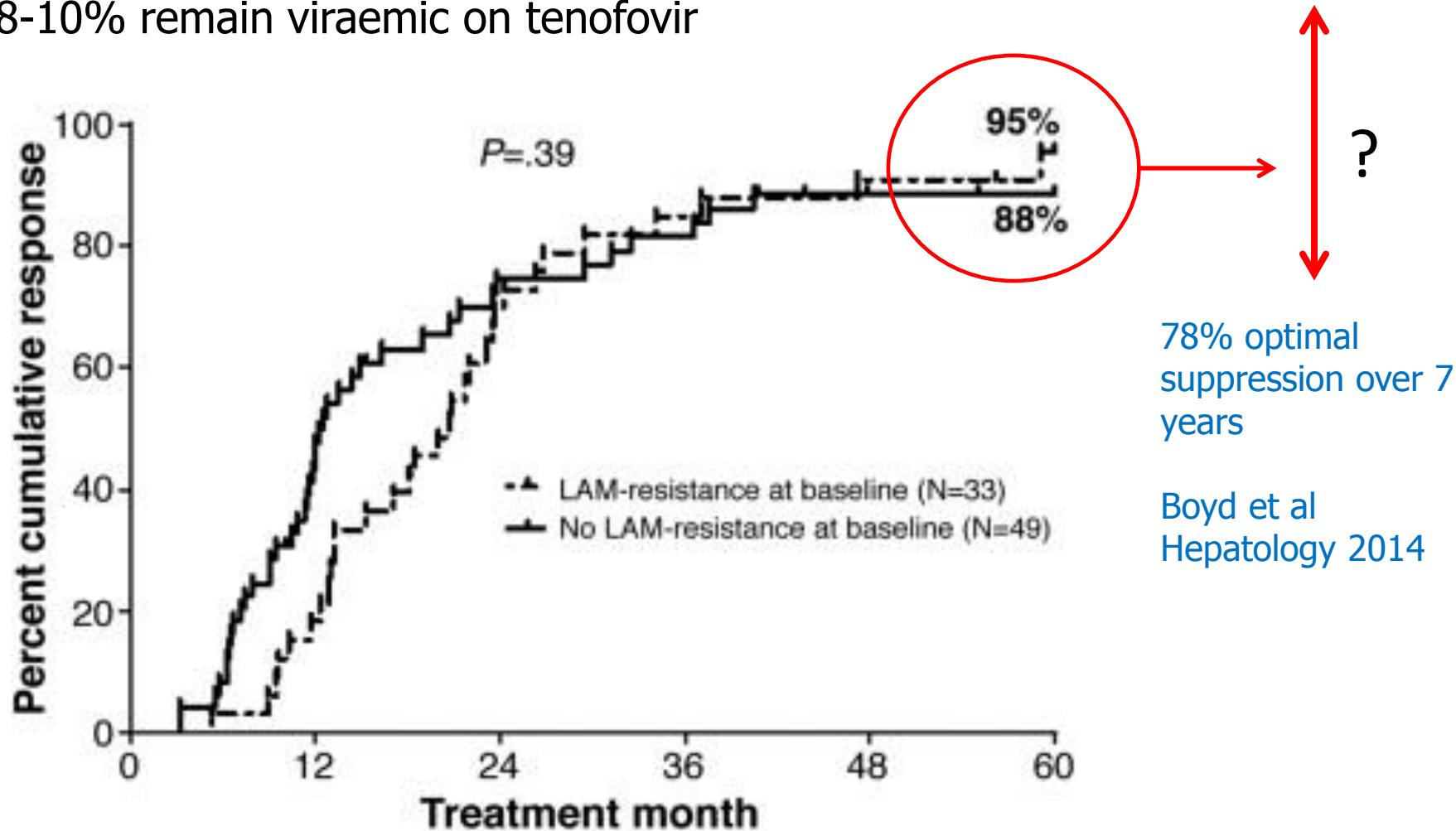
Source: *Use of antiretroviral medicines by December 2011 based on the WHO survey in low- and middle-income countries (77)*.

Global update on HIV treatment 2013. WHO

Tanzania: 3% HIV and 17% HIV/HBV on TDF regimen Hawkins IAC 2012

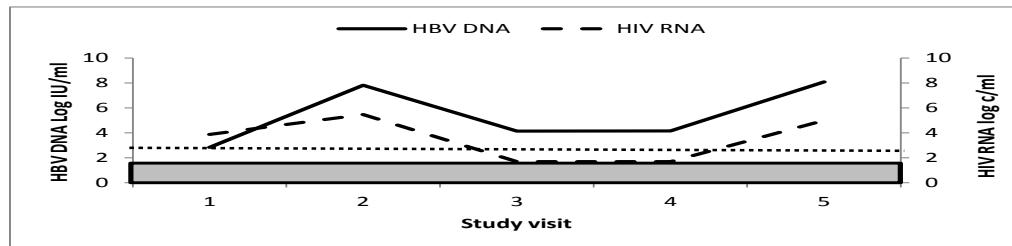
Efficacy is never 100%

8-10% remain viraemic on tenofovir

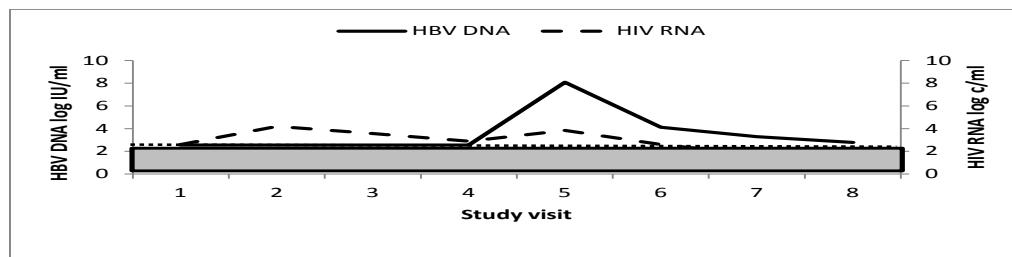


Patterns of suboptimal response to TDF based therapy in HIV-HBV

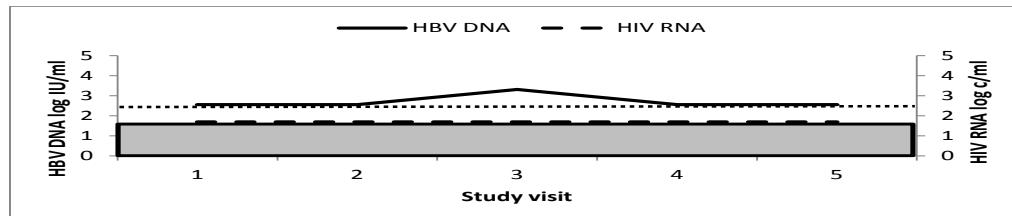
- 165 HIV -HBV coinfectied individuals followed for median of 4 years
- HBV DNA detectable in 20% study visits



**Persistent viraemia
(n=25)**



**Viral rebound
(n=13)**



**Blipper
(n=24)**

Factors associated with detectable HBV DNA

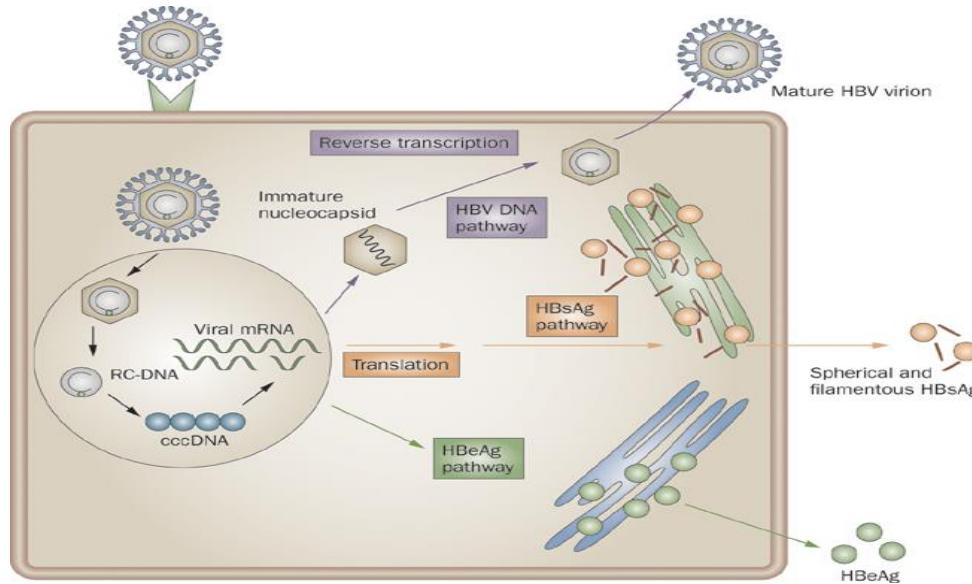
- On truvada based therapy at least 6 months
- Undetectable HIV RNA < 400 c/ml

	OR	95% CI	p-value
Age (per 10 yrs)	0.90	0.48, 1.69	0.74
HBeAg positive	12.06	3.73, 38.98	<0.0001
<95% adherent	2.52	1.16, 5.48	0.02
HAART <2 yrs	2.64	1.06, 6.54	0.04
CD4 < 200 cells/mm ³	2.47	1.06, 5.73	0.04

Long term adherence is always a challenge

Drivers of HBV viraemia on TDF?

- Neither genotypic or phenotypic resistance have been definitively described
- Replication or reservoir release?



- Virological (UDPS, SGA) and immunological studies may give insight

Prophylaxis Effect of TDF in Prevention of HBV Acquisition in HIV (+) Patients

- HIV infected; HBV uninfected MSM
- Patients were serologically evaluated for HBV infection stratified by NRTI-ART

Frequency and Hazard Ratio of HBV Incident Infection

ART	Observation Period (Person-Years)	Incident Infection	HR (95% CI)	P-Value
No ART	446	30	1	
Other ART	114	6	.924 (.381-2.239)	.861
ART containing (LAM, TDF, or FTC)	1047	7	.113 (1.049-.261)	<.001
LAM-ART	814	7		
TDF-ART	233	0		

TDF containing ART resulted in zero HBV infections¹

**Statistically longer HBV-free survival with TDF compared to 3TC or no treatment
(p = 0.004 and 0.001)²**

1. Gatanama,H, et al., CID 2013:56 June 15

2. Heuft, M, et al. CROI 2013. Oral Abstract Session 9, paper 33

Renal impairment with TDF – watch this space....

- 240 patients with a 3 year-time follow-up, normal eGFR at baseline1
- >400 HIV+ patients receiving TDF

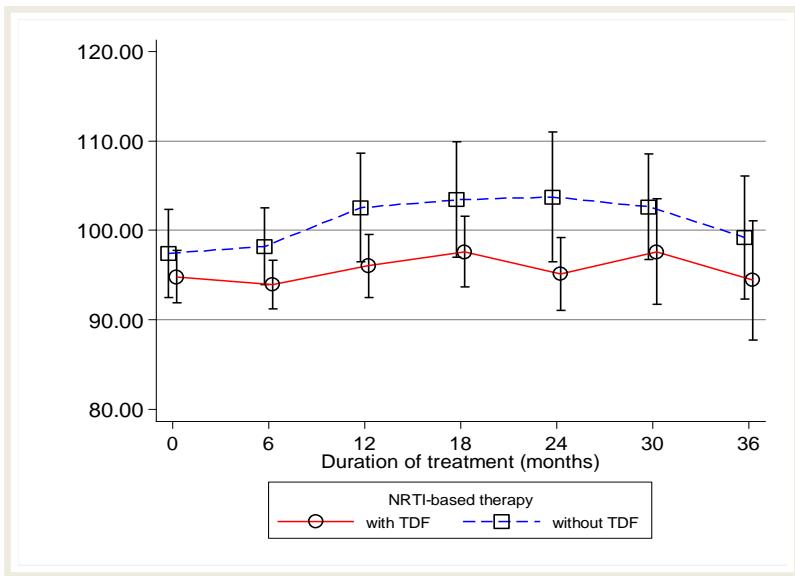
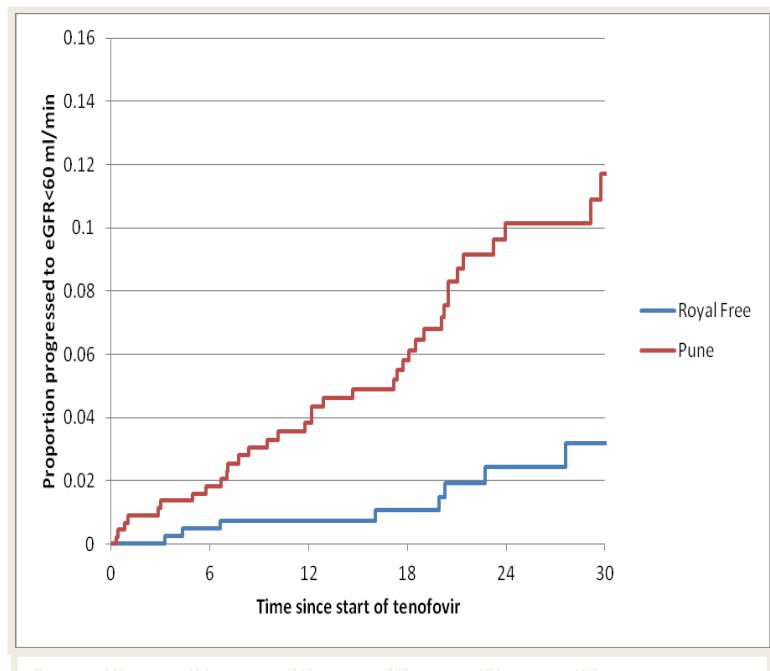
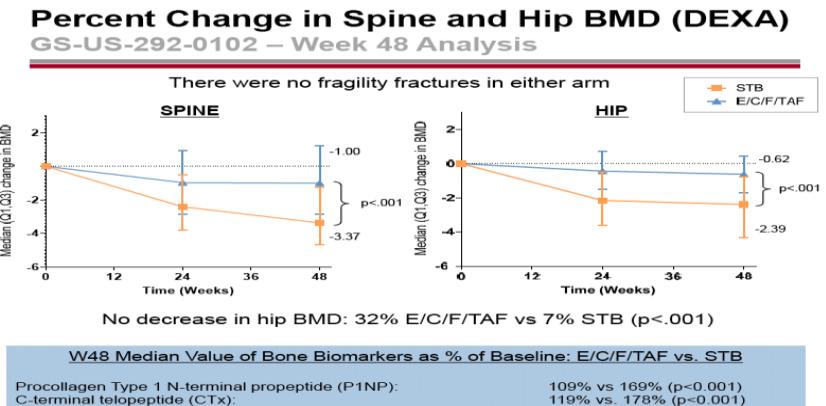
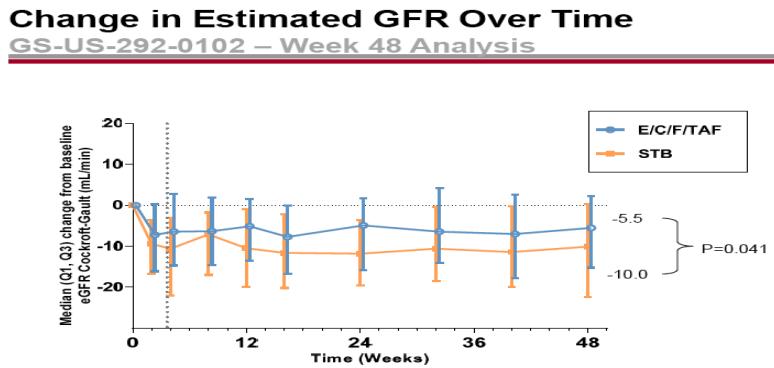


Figure 1: MDRD clearance over time



Strategies when TDF is contra-indicated?

- Reduce dose TDF
- Switch to entecavir (caution if LAM-R)
- Adefovir plus entecavir (?kidney disease)
- Peg-interferon (?advanced liver disease)
- *? Tenovir Alafenamide (TAF)*



HIV/HCV – double-trouble for the liver

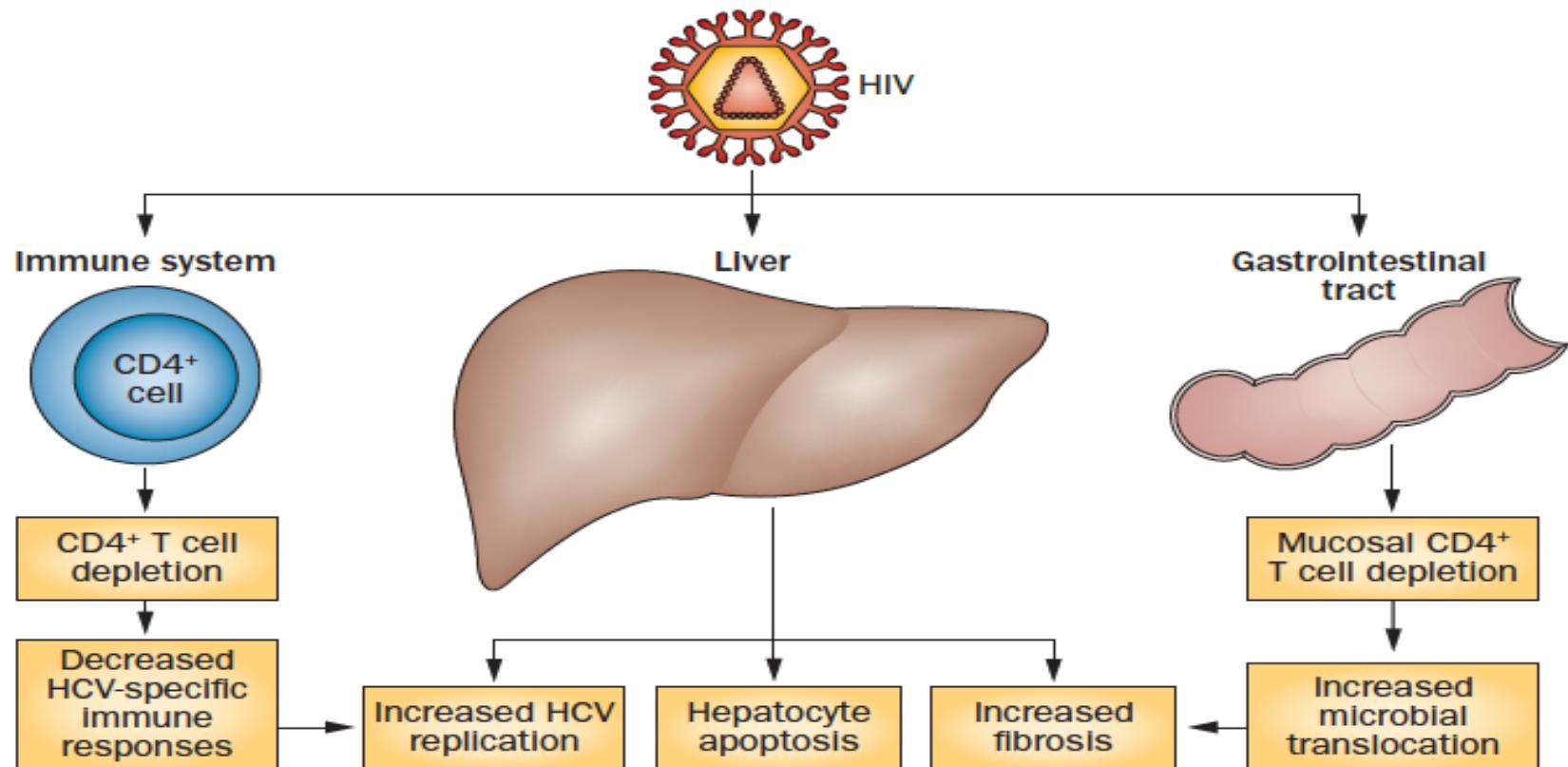


Figure 1 | Driving factors underlying liver disease pathogenesis in HCV–HIV co-infection. HIV infection leads to an impaired immune response against HCV, increased HCV replication, hepatic inflammation and apoptosis, increased microbial translocation from the gastrointestinal tract and increased fibrosis.

Faster progression even when controlling for alcohol and other co-morbidities

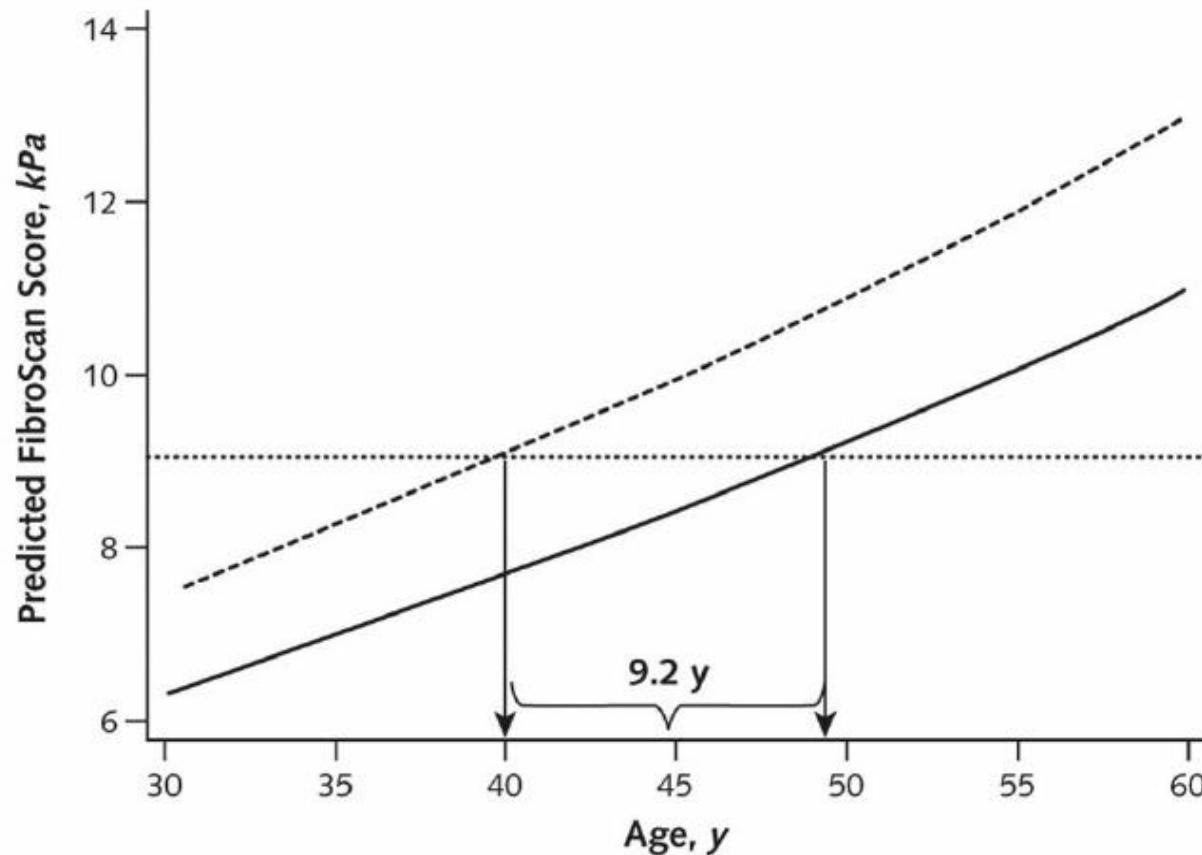
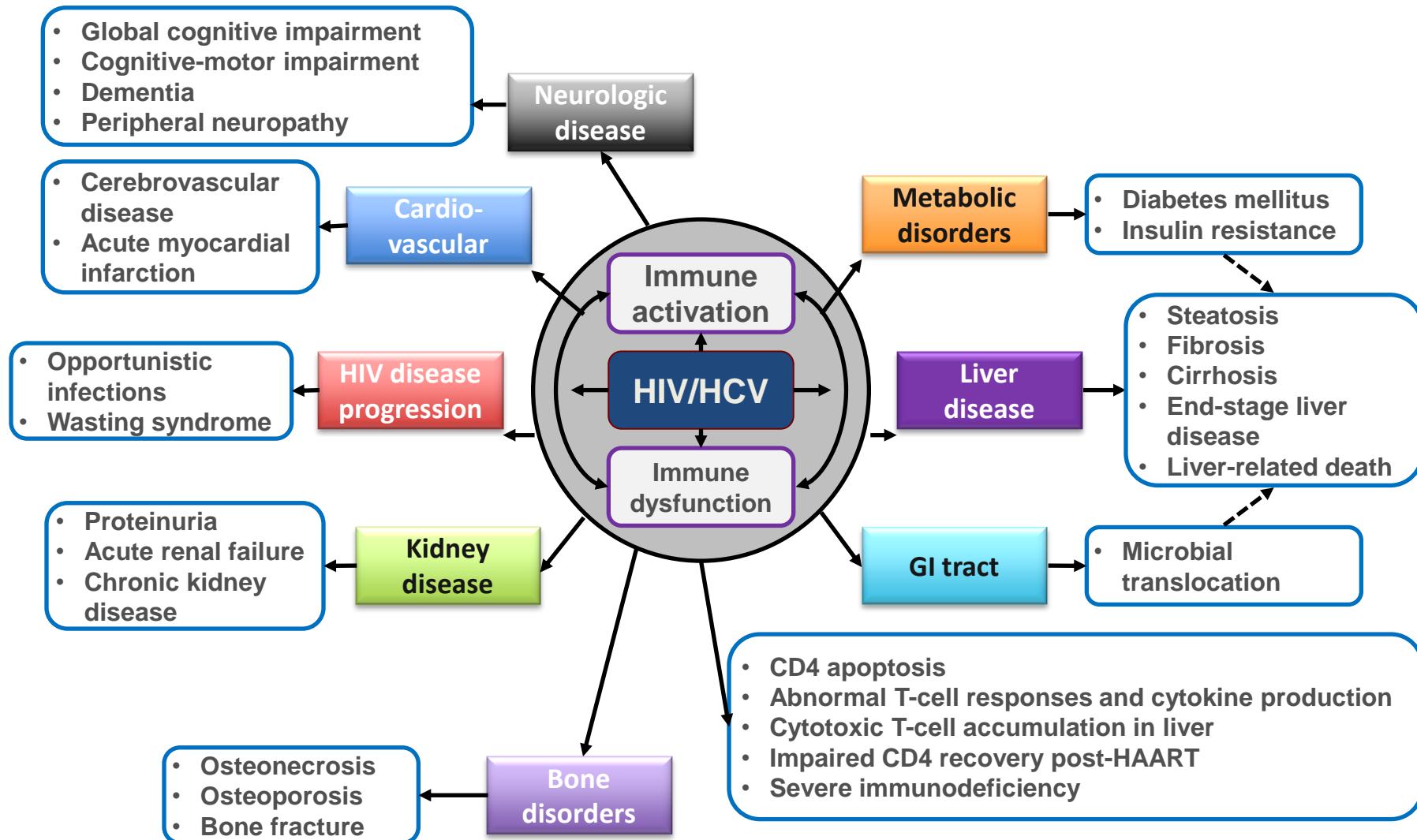


Figure 3. Liver fibrosis and age among persons coinfected with HIV and HCV (dashed line) and those with only HCV (solid line)

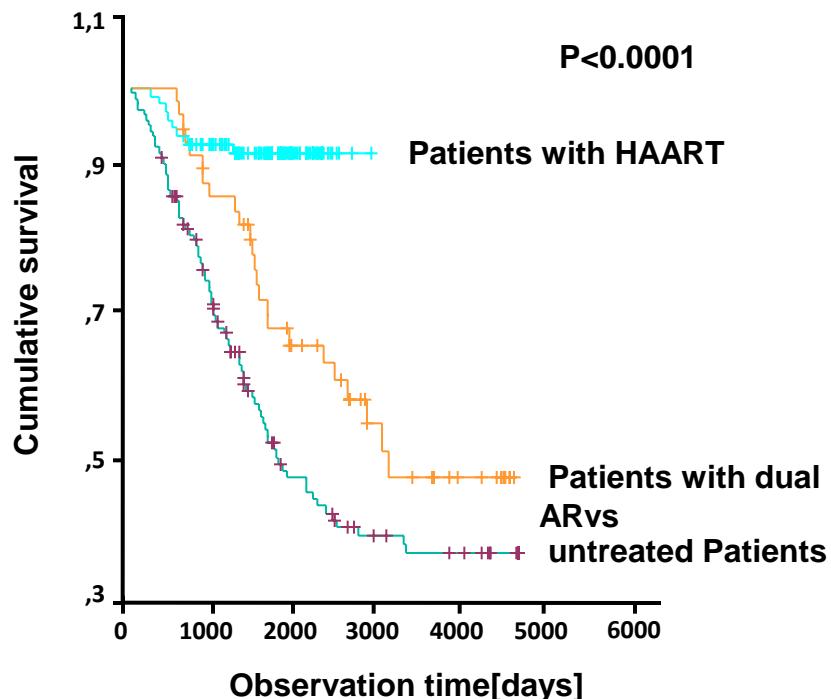
HIV/HCV – a contribution to multiple organ dysfunction



Adapted from Operskalski EA and Kovacs A. Curr HIV/AIDS Rep 2011;8:12–22.

Overall and Liver-related Mortality - effect of HAART

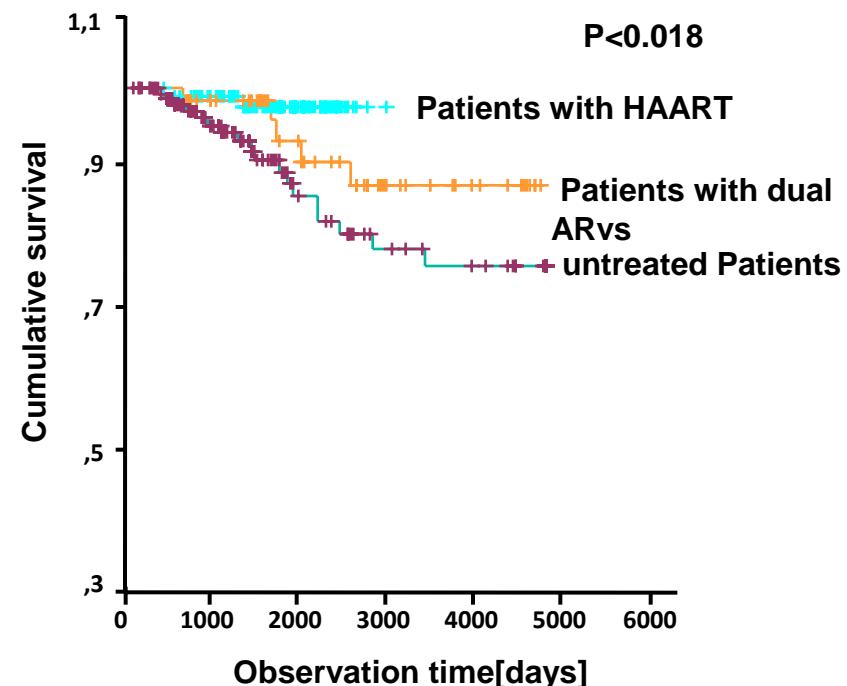
A) Overall-Mortality



Patients under observation:

HAART-group:	93	79	33	-	-	-
ART-group:	55	46	30	15	9	1
Untreated-group:	13794	49	37	32	27	

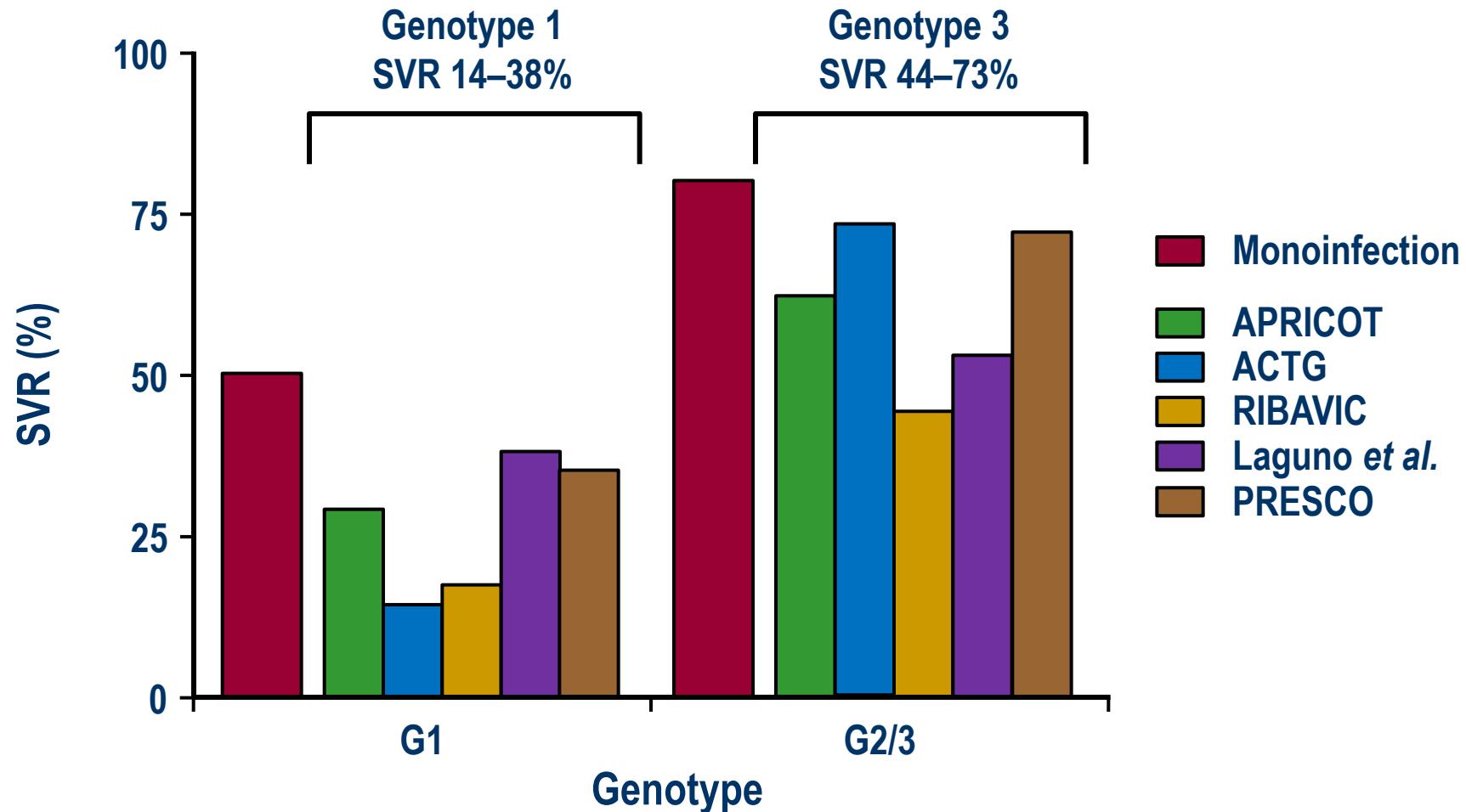
B) Liver-related-Mortality



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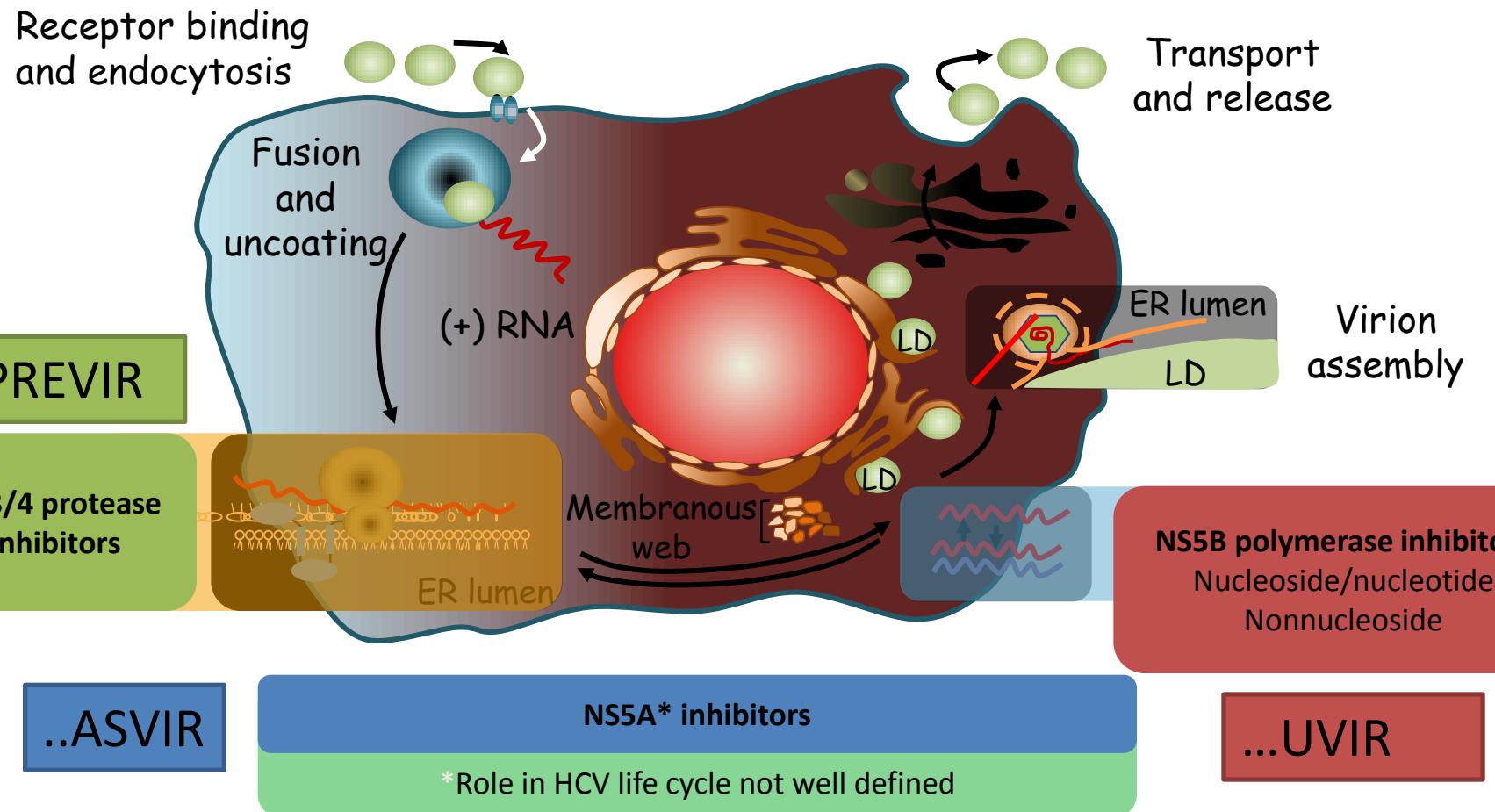
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HCV/HIV SVR24 with pegIFN and RIBAVIRIN



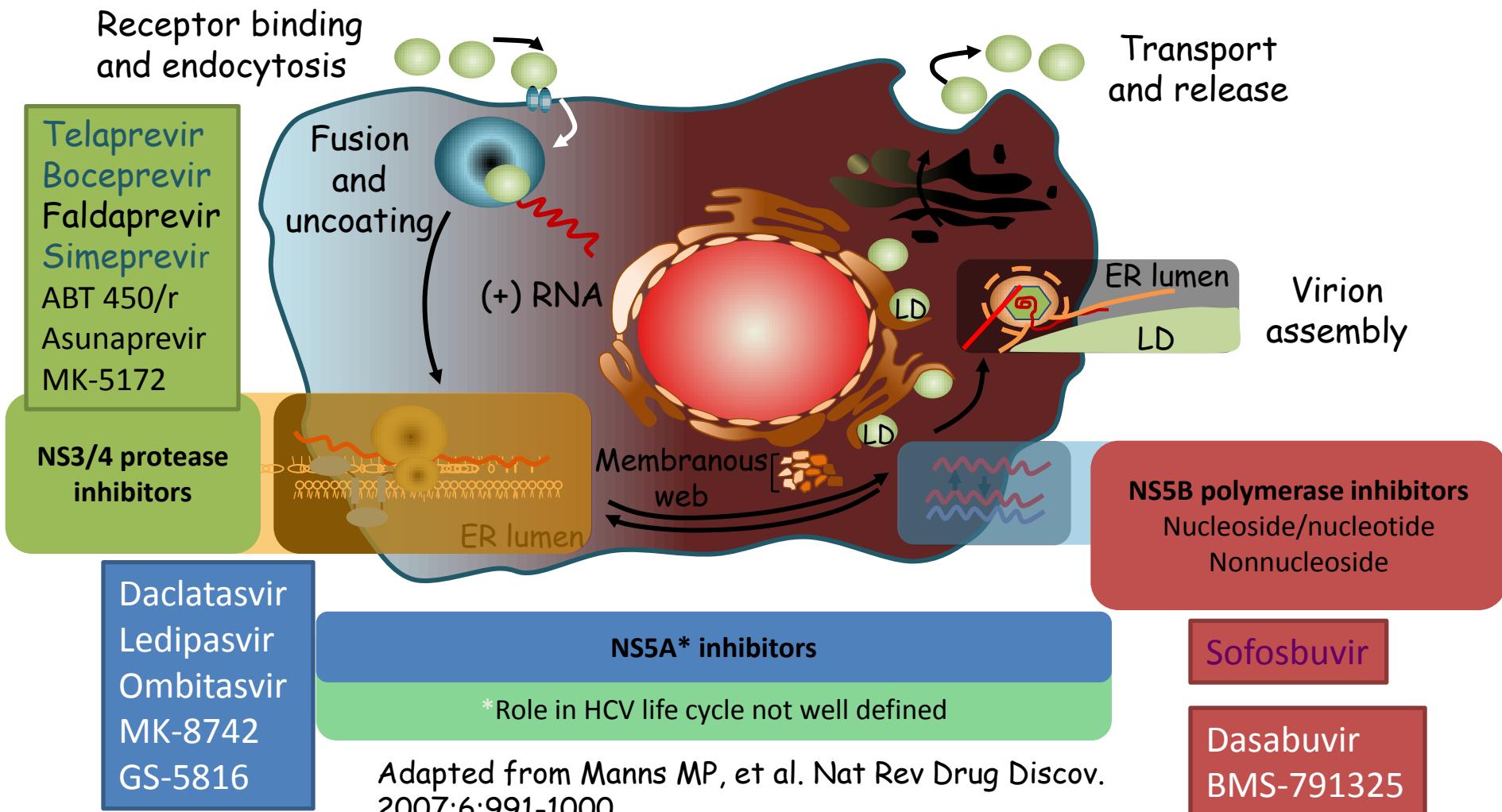
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HCV Life Cycle and DAA Targets - drug classes and nomenclature



Adapted from Manns MP, et al. Nat Rev Drug Discov. 2007;6:991-1000.

HCV Life Cycle and DAA Targets - drugs



Not All Direct-Acting Antivirals are Created Equal

Characteristic	Protease Inhibitor*	Protease Inhibitor**	NS5A Inhibitor	Nuc Polymerase Inhibitor	Non-Nuc Polymerase Inhibitor
Resistance profile	●	○	○	○	●
Pangenotypic efficacy	●	○	○	○	○
Antiviral potency	○	○	○	○	○
Adverse events	●	○	○	○	○

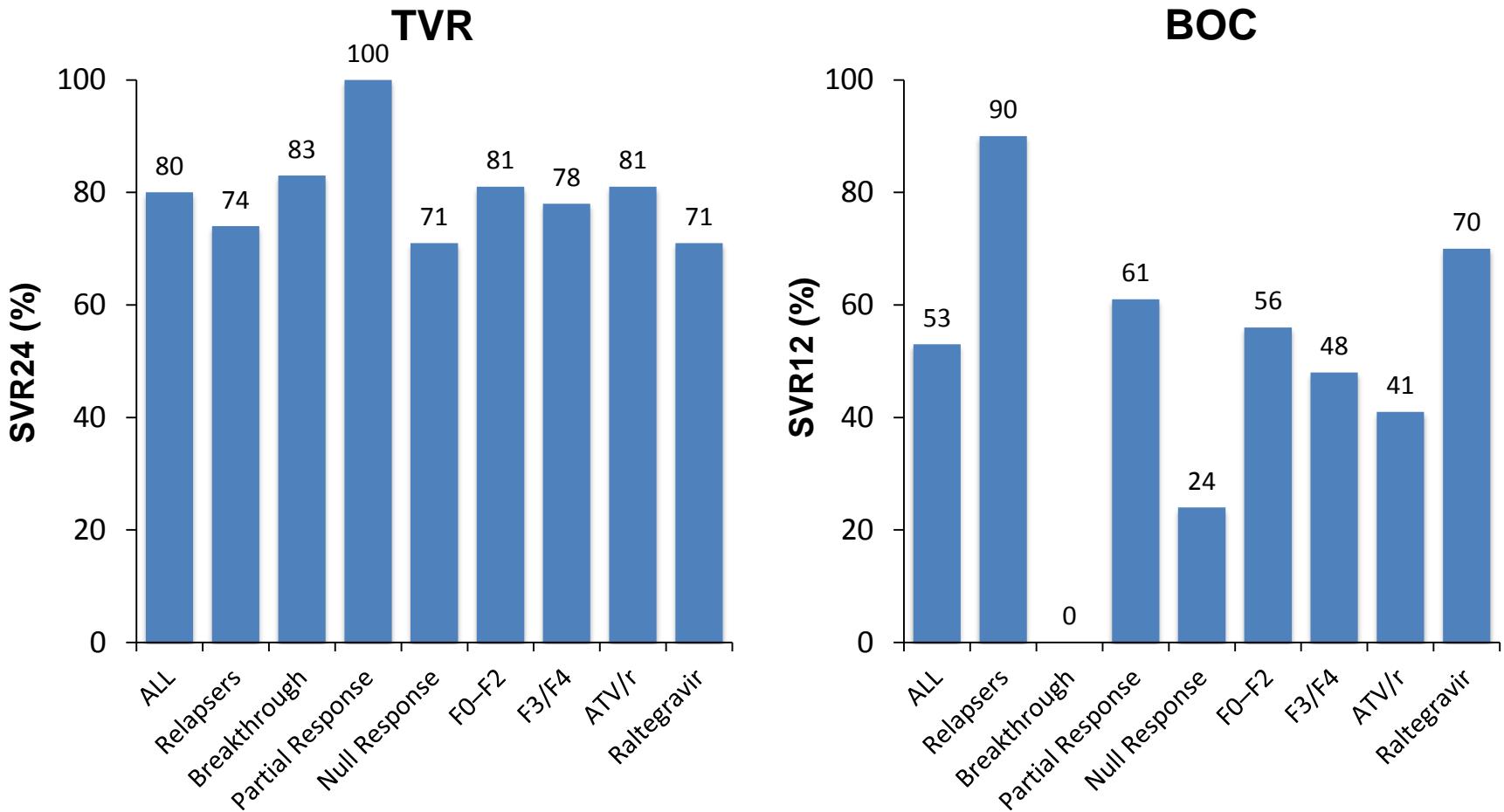
● Good profile

○ Average profile

● Least favorable profile

*First generation. **Second generation.

ANRS studies TelapreVIH and BocepreVIH in TE HCV GT 1 HIV/HCV co-infected patients

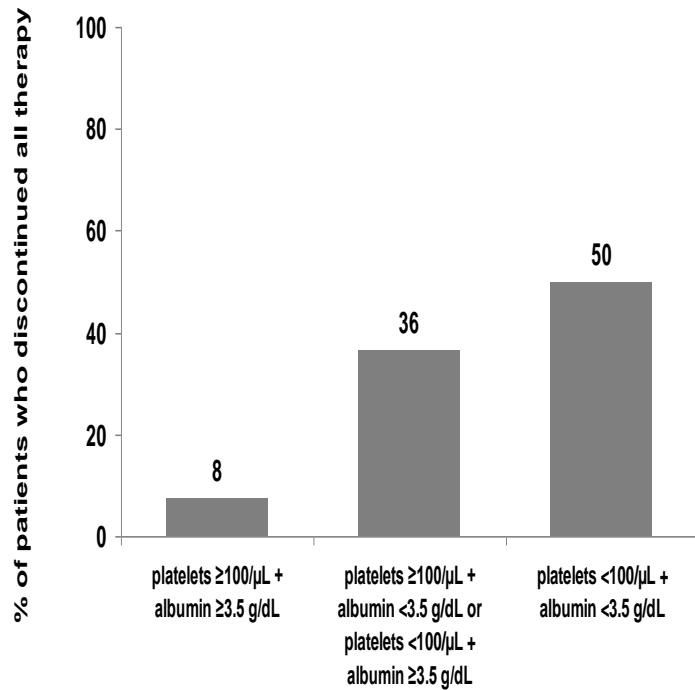


SVR24 in HIV/HCV PEG-IFN/RBV experienced treated with PEG-IFN/RBV + TVR (69) or BOC (64); 4 weeks lead in + 44 weeks standard + 24 additional weeks if HCV RNA at Week 8 >15IU/mL.
ATV/r: ritonavir boosted atazanavir; TE: treatment-experienced

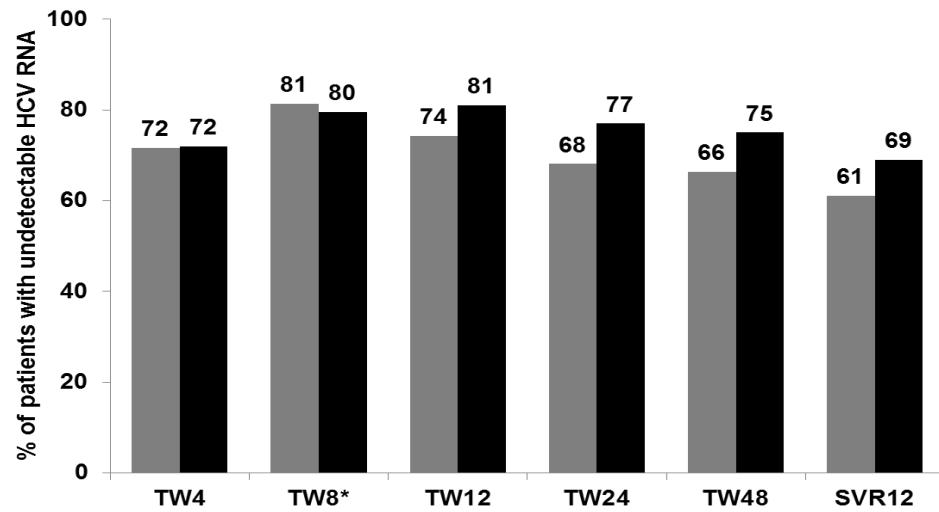
1. Cotte L, et al. CROI 2014; Oral #668;
2. Poizot Martin I, et al. CROI 2014. Oral #659.

'Real-life' experience PegIFN/R + TVR/BOC – pan-European data

Rx discontinuation

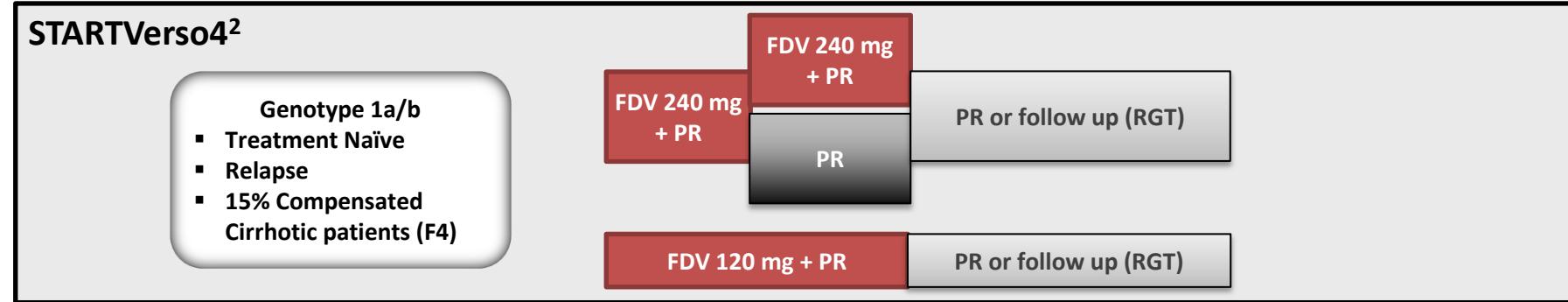


Rx response ITT and OT

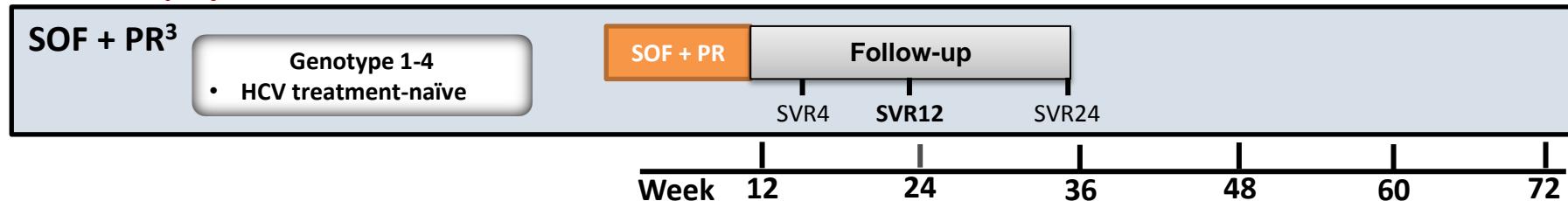


Second generation DAAs + PEG-IFN/RBV in HIV/HCV co-infected patients

Protease inhibitors



Nucleoside polymerase inhibitor



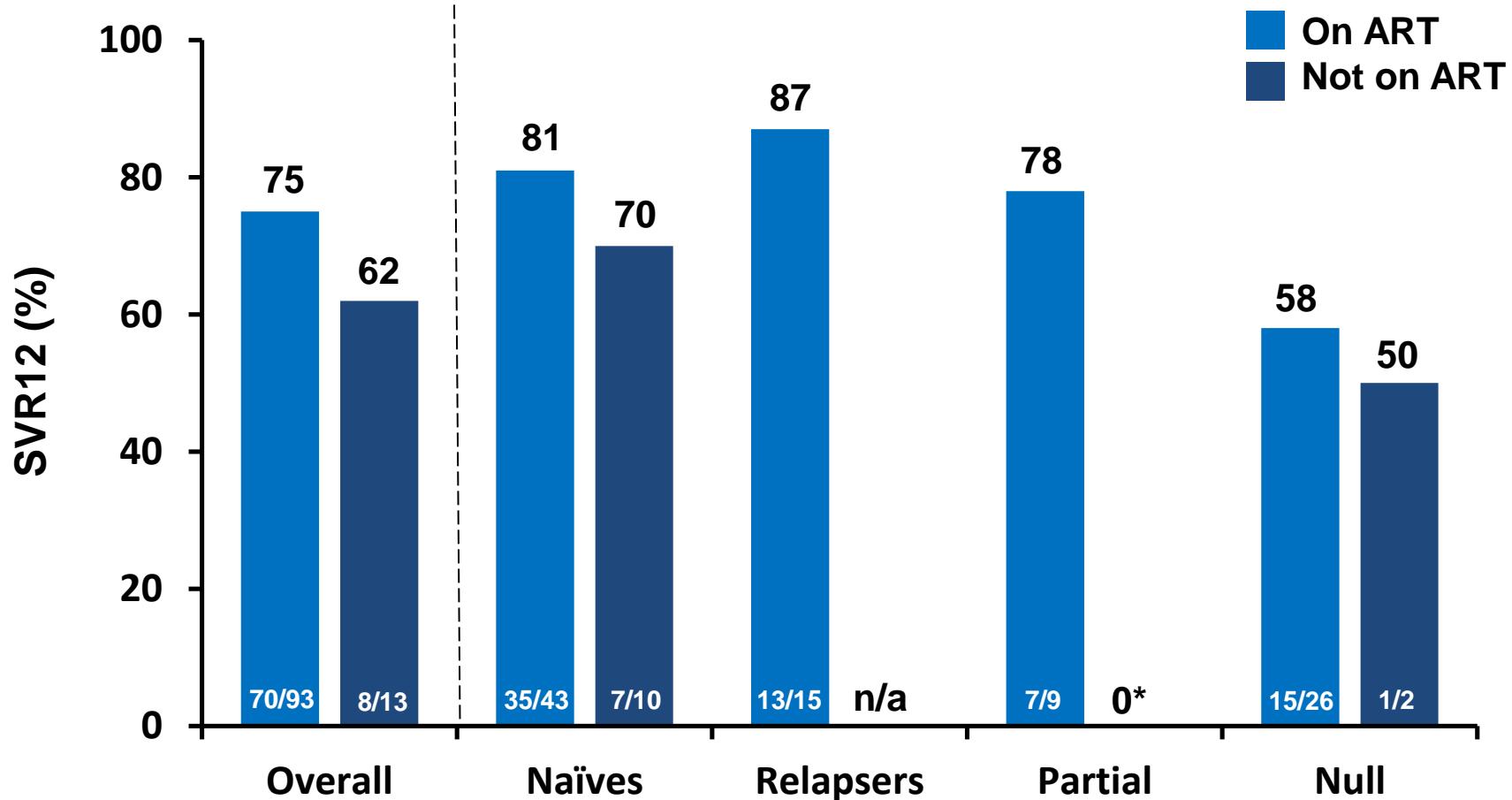
1. Dieterich D, et al. EACS 2013. PS9/5;

2. Rockstroh J, et al. EACS 2013 .PS9/7;

3. Rodriguez-Torres M, et al. ID Week 2013. Poster #714.

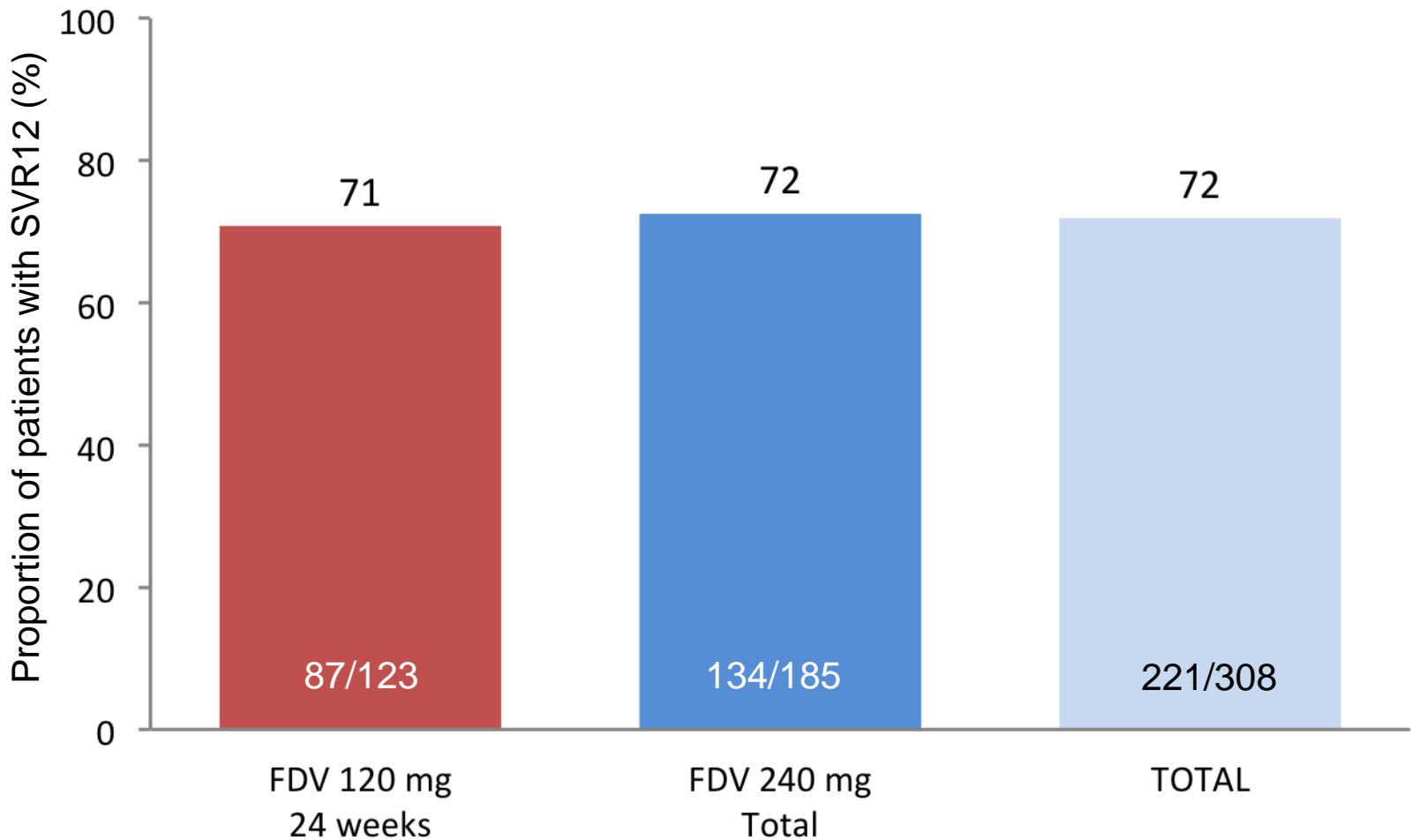
DAA: direct-acting antiviral agents; FDV: faldaprevir;
PR: PEG-IFN/RBV; RGT: response guided therapy; SMV: simeprevir

C212: SVR12 by concomitant ART use (ITT population)

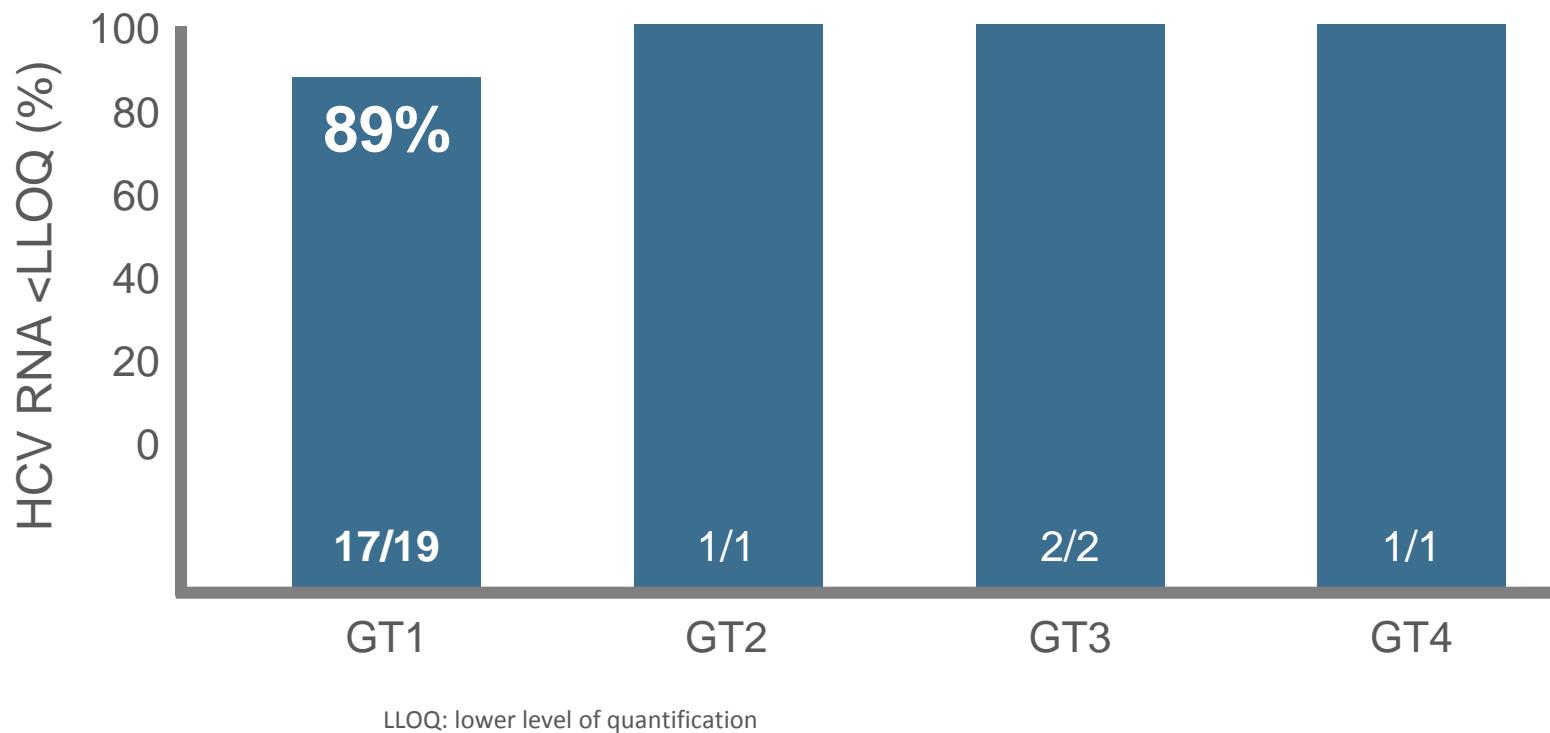


*0/1 patients; SVR12, sustained virologic response 12 weeks after end of treatment; n/a, not applicable

STARTVerso4: SVR12 overall population



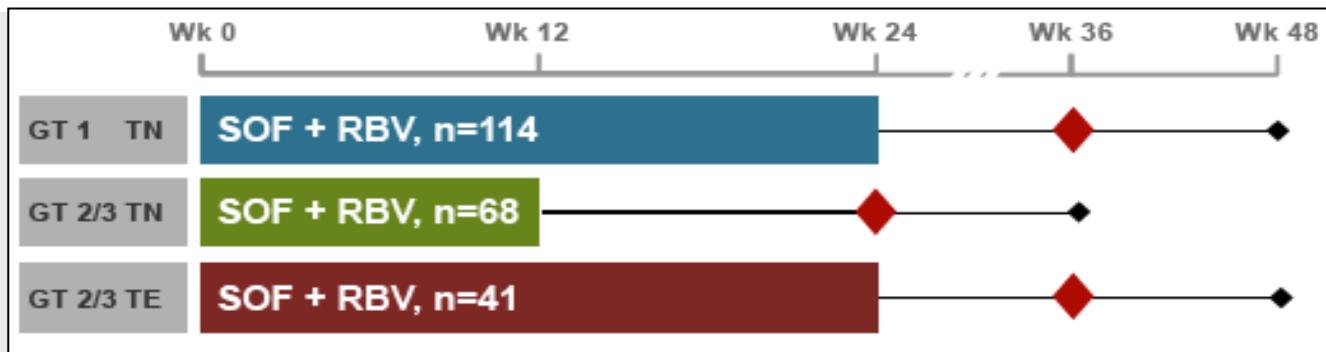
Study 1910: SVR12



IFN-free DAA regimens in HIV/HCV co-infected patients

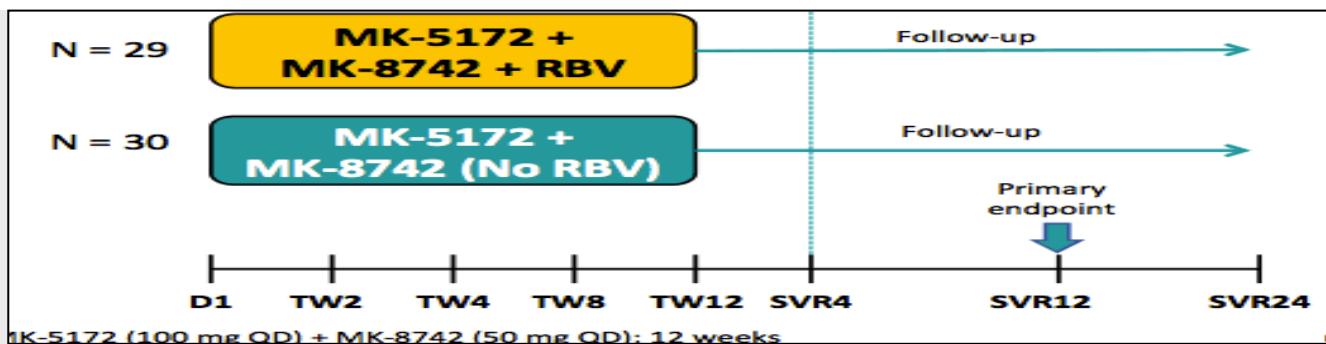
PHOTON-1 study

Naggie S, et al.
CROI 2014.
Oral #26



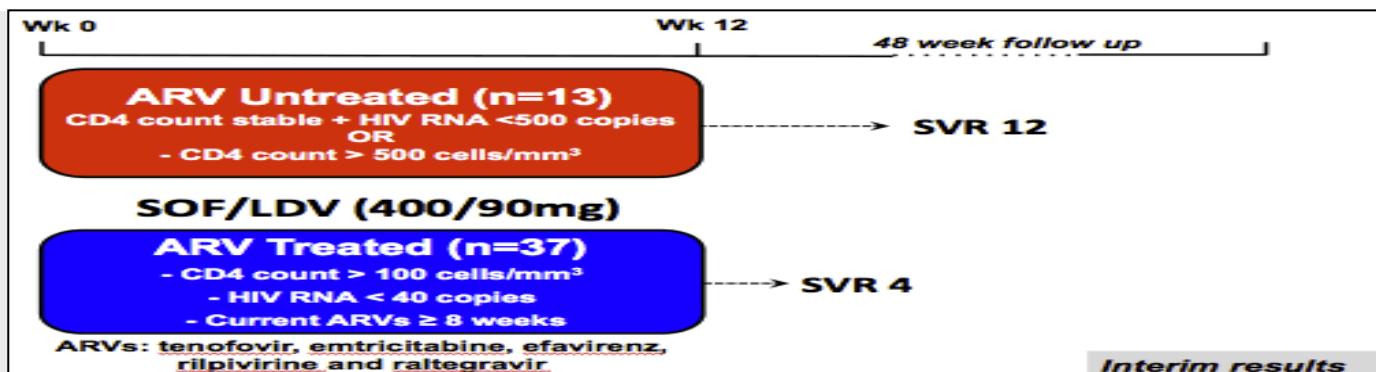
C-WORTHY study

Sulkowski M, et al.
EASL 2014. Oral #63

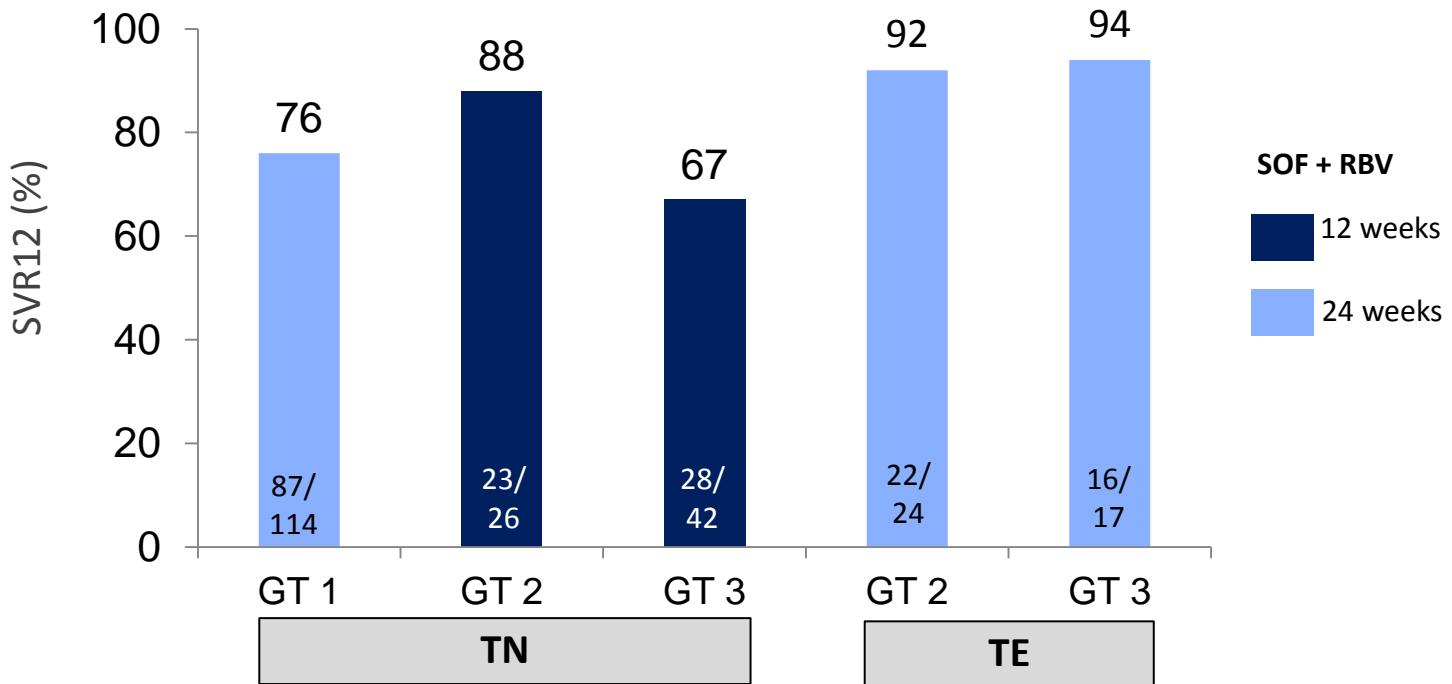


LDV/SOF STR ERADICATE study

Osinusi A, et al.
EASL 2014. Oral #14



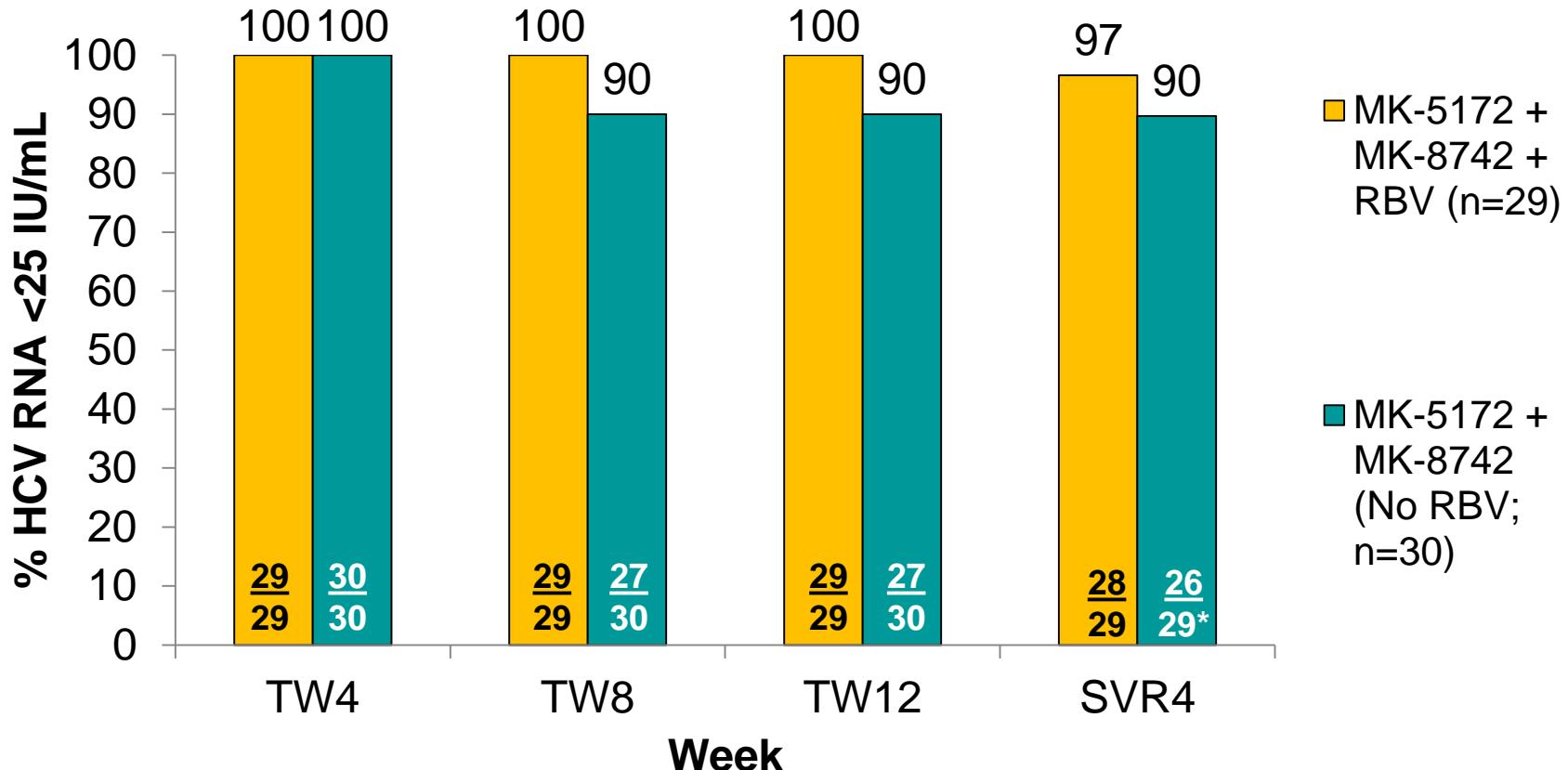
PHOTON-1: Virological response



- No HCV resistance (S282T) observed in virological failures (deep sequencing)
 - HCV breakthrough in 2 patients due to non-adherence to SOF
 - HIV breakthrough in 2 patients due to non-adherence to ART

C-Worthy Virologic Response

ITT Population

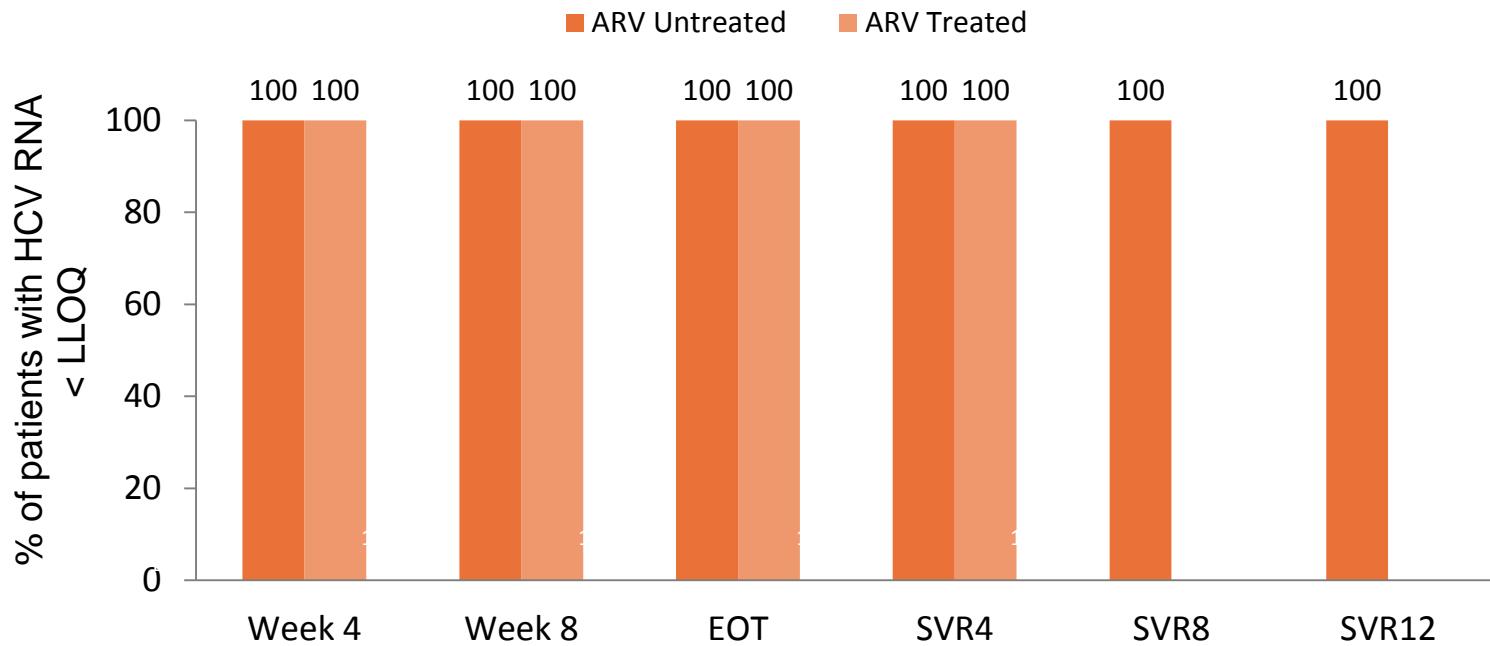


Virologic Failures: 1 relapse in +RBV arm;

2 breakthrough and 1 lost to follow up in No RBV arm

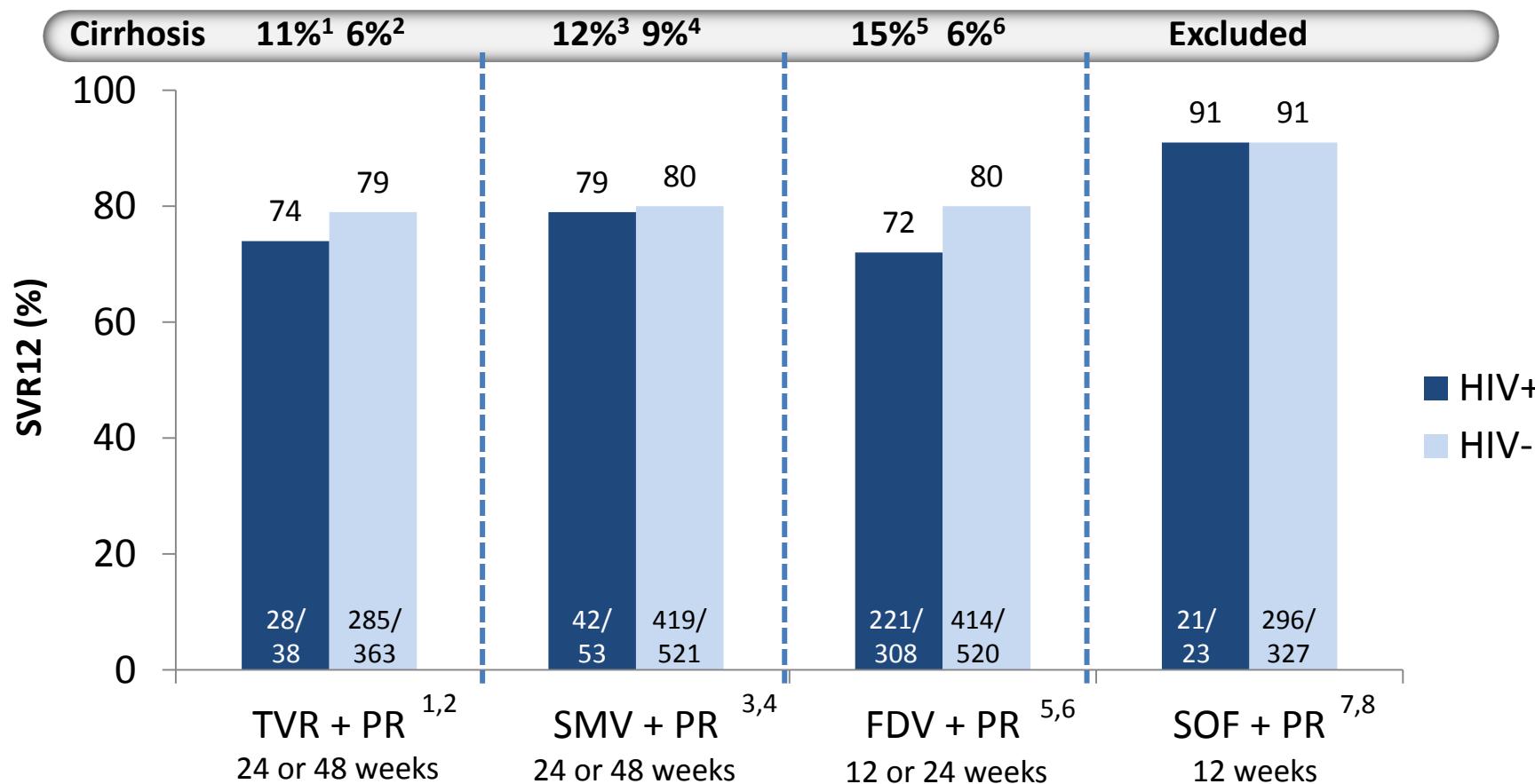
* One patient has not yet reached FU4

ERADICATE - Treatment Response



- The IFN and RBV free regimen of LDV/SOF in HCV/HIV co-infected patients resulted in SVR12 of 100% in ARV untreated patients and SVR4 of 100% in ARV treated patients
- LDV/SOF STR was generally well tolerated with no discontinuations
- Actively enrolling ION-4 (target of 300 GT 1 and GT 4 HCV/HIV patients). NCT 02073656.

SVR12 - PEG-IFN/RBV + TVR, SMV, FDV and SOF in HCV GT1 TN patients: HIV+ vs HIV-



1. Sulkowski M, et al. AASLD 2012. Oral #54; 2. Janssen Cilag International.

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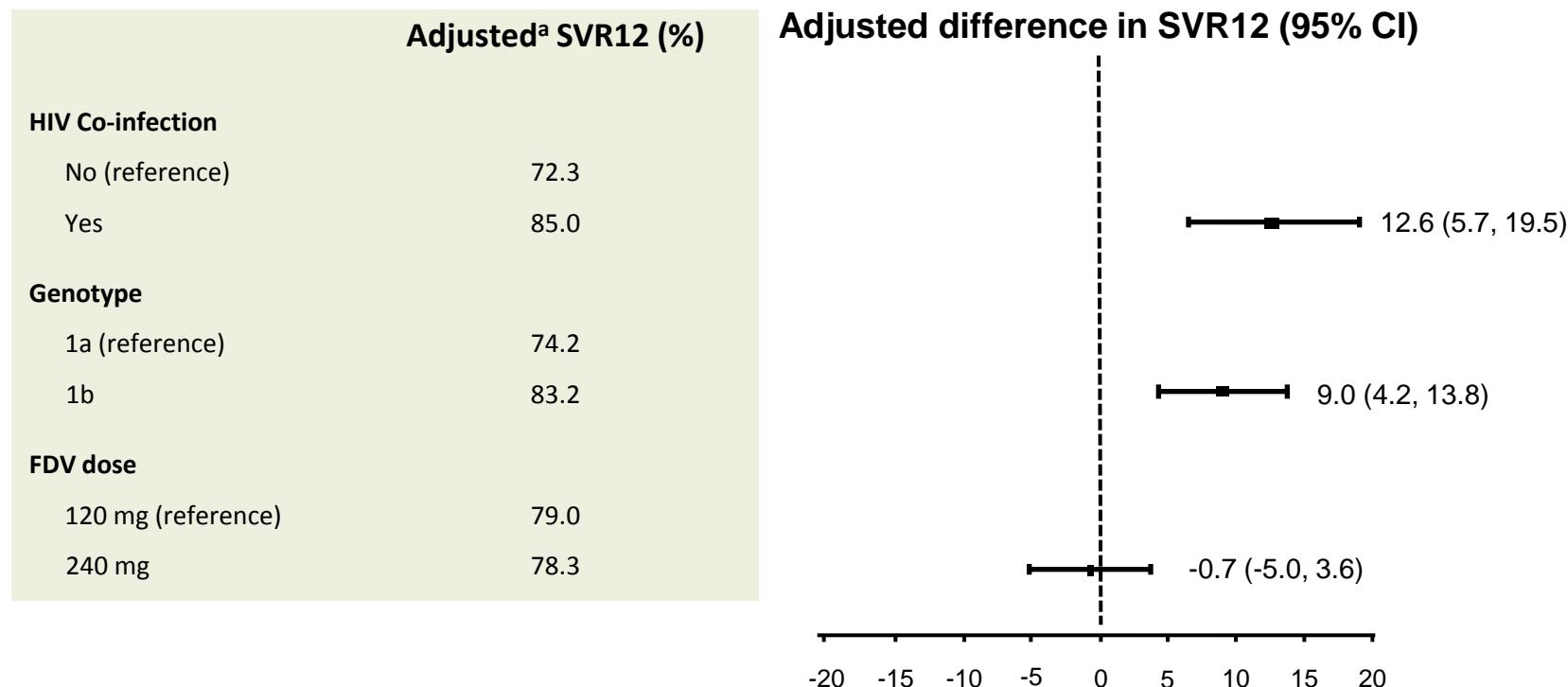
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NOTE: not head-to-head comparisons.

Comparisons of SVR12 rates of interest adjusted for important predictors of response across the STARTVerso studies, excluding PI- and EFV-treated patients from STARTVerso4

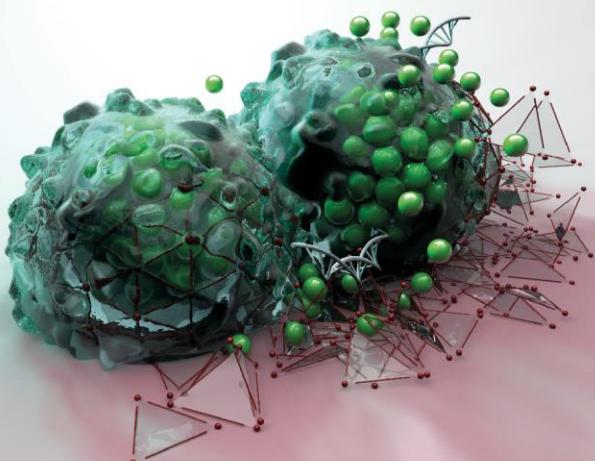


^a Adjusted for IL28B, race, fibrosis stage, baseline HCV RNA, age, baseline GGT and baseline platelet count.

New online EASL HCV recommendations

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Same treatment regimens can be used in HIV/HCV patients as in patients without HIV infection, as the virological results of therapy are identical (A1)

New EASL HCV recommendations – treatment combination options

G1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	SOF + PEG-IFN/RBV	12 weeks
G1, 4	SMV + PEG-IFN/RBV	12 weeks + RGT 12/36
G4	Daclatasvir + PEG-IFN/RBV	12 weeks + RGT 12
G1, 2, 3, 4	SOF + RBV	12–24 weeks
G1, 4	SOF + SMV (\pm RBV)	12 weeks
G1, 3, 4	SOF + daclatasvir (\pm RBV)	12–24 weeks

	ARV (AUC) DAA (AUC)	ATVr	DRVr	LPVr	EFV	ETV	RPV	Ral	DTG	EVGc	MVC	TDF	ABC	3TC FTC
Teleprevir		↑17% ↓20%	↓40% ↓35 %	↔ ↓54%	↔ ↓26%	↔ ↓16%	↔ ↑79%	↑31% ↔	◊	↔ ↑13%	↑950% ↔*	↑30% ↔		◊
Boceprevir		↓35% ↔	↓44% ↓32 %	↓34% ↓45%	↑20% ↓19%	↓23% ↔	↑39% ↔	↔ ↔*	◊	◻	↑300% ↔*	↔ ↔*	◊	◊
Simeprevir	◻		↑18% ↑259%	◻	↓10% ↓71%		↑12% ↔	↔ ↓11%	◊	◻	◊	↑18% ↓14 %	◊	◊
Sofosbuvir	◊		↔ ↑34%	◊	↔ ↔	◊	↔ ↔	↓27% ↔	◊	◊	◊	↔ ↔	◊	◊
Ledipasvir					↔ ↓34 %		↔ ↔	↔ ↔				↑100% ↔		◊
3D	◻	◻	*	○	◻	◻	◻		*	◻		↑13% ↔		◊
Faldeprevir	↔ ↑119%		↑15% ↑129%		↑15% ↓35 %			↑170% ↔				↑22% ↓22 %		
Daclatasvir	↔ ↑110%				↓32 %							↔ ↔		
Asunaprevir														
MK-5172	↑43% ↑958%	↑11% ↑650%	↔ ↑1186%	↔ ↓84%				↑18 ↓9%				↑18% ↓14 %		
MK-8742	↔ ↑376%	↔ ↑66%	↔ ↑271%	↔ ↓54 %	↓18%			↔ ↓19%				↑34% ↔		

* Co-formulations

● Dose modification required

Data from USPI, CROI, EASL, AASLD, EACS, ICAAC, PK workshop, HepDART 2013-2014 www.hep-druginteractions.org

Conclusions

- Liver disease is an important cause of morbidity and mortality in HIV+
- Key issues = cART, HBV, HCV and lifestyle
- HBV – key issues – diagnosis and management
- HCV
 - The era of DAA based therapy has arrived
 - IFN-sparing and IFN-free therapy a reality
 - Responses in HIV+ similar to HIV-
 - Beware DDIs
- Still a ‘Special Population’ – aggressive, multi-system disease, urgent need of Rx
- Need for improved cascade of care and access to Rx