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Switching Suppressive Therapy 2015

- HIV suppression is the rule with effective safe well tolerated ART
- Survival largely improved
- Better ARV drugs
- Simplified treatment
- Transmission reduced

- No cure No vaccine
- Life long therapy
- Persistent inflammation/activation
- Drug toxicity
- Comorbidities; aging
- Cost and implementation

**VIH: a success story of research
yet not quite achieved**

ART is a life long therapy throughout decades of life



ART has to be adjusted to different life events

Outline

- Why switching a suppressive therapy therapy ?
- Which drug to switch ?
- How to switch ?
- Future switch strategies in suppressed patients

Antiretroviral drugs : 2015

NRTI	NNRTI	Protease Inhibitors	Integrase Inhibitors	CCR5 Inhibitors
TDF TDF/FTC ABC ABC/3TC 3TC/FTC	Nevirapine	Lopinavir	Raltegravir	Maraviroc
	Efavirenz ⁶	Atazanavir	Elvitegravir	
	Rilpivirine	Darunavir	Dolutegravir	
	Etravirine			

Single tablet regimen

TDF/FTC/EFV : Atripla
TDF/FTC/RPV : Eviplera
TDF/FTC/EVG/c : Stribild
ABC/3TC/DTG : Triumeq

- Despite increased potency and robustness of ARV
 - Standard ART is still a triple drug approach
-  Need for innovation

Why should we change a suppressive ART ?

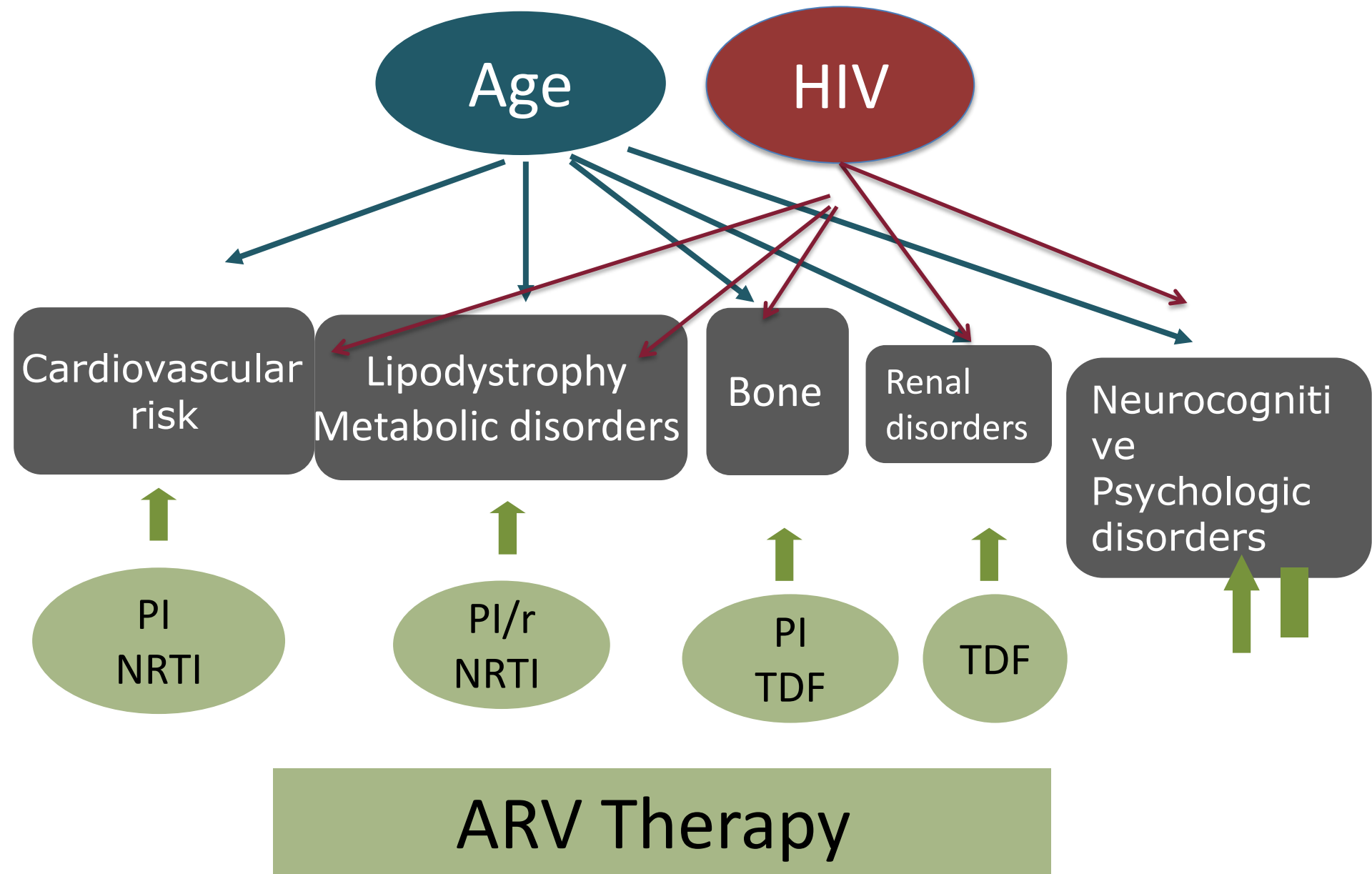
Reasons to switch ART

- **Simplification**
- **Tolerability**
Prevention of toxicity
- **Context**
aging comorbidities
bone , kidney, CV risk
pregnancy
- **Resistance**
eliminating resistant drug
- **Reduce drug burden**
Preserve option
adjust ART to HIV disease

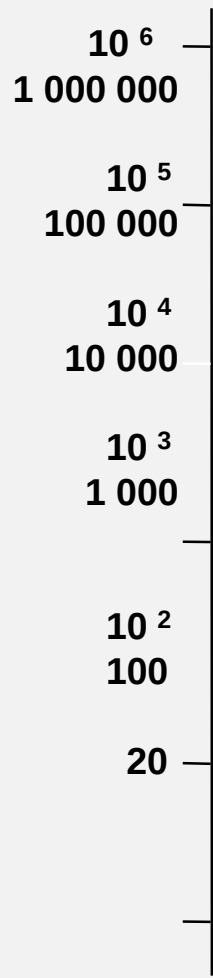
Reasons for stress to change a suppressive ART

- New drug : new toxicity?
- Unmask archived resistance
- Drug drug interactions
- FDC usually 3-4 drugs combo
- Cost

Interactions of age , HIV , ARV drugs



Goal of Antiretroviral Therapy

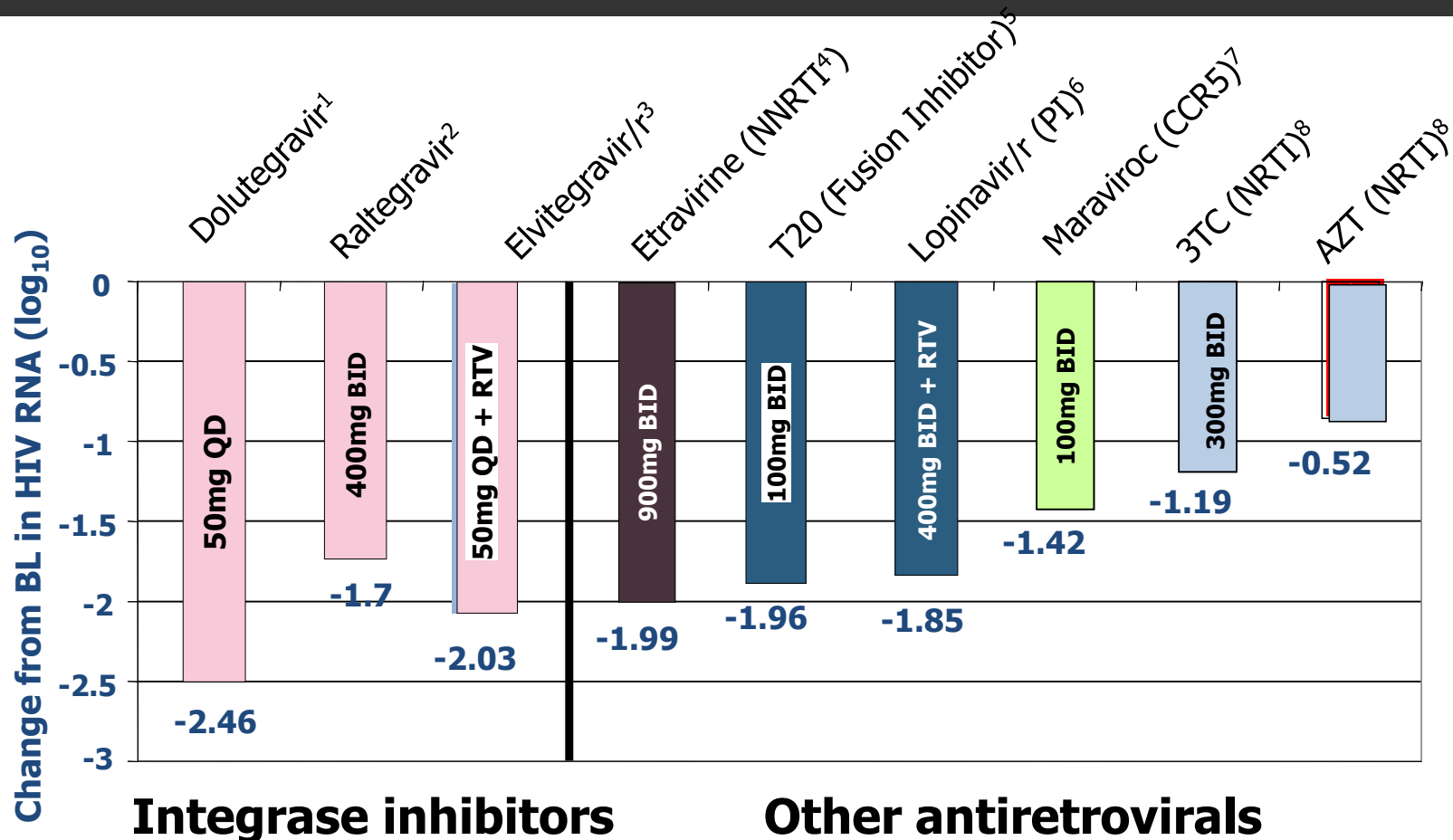


Objective/ dogma : maximal viral suppression

But is a triple drug strategy the only way to get or to maintain viral suppression??

Undetectable viral load/ viral suppression

Antiretroviral potency have increased over time



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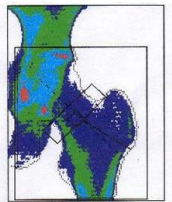
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Nucleosides analogues may not be optimal in patients with long history of NRTI containing regimen

- Aging patients often cumulates a long past history of non suppressive ART regimen with NRTI and thymidine analogues
- Even though TDF/ABC has replaced D4T or AZT , persists in a much lesser extent a degree of mitochondrial toxicity
- Mitochondrial toxicity , a feature of NRTI , limits cell oxygenation

Risk at 10 years of major osteoporotic fracture in HIV infected male



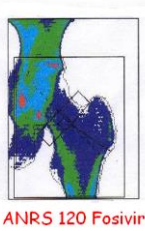
ANRS 120 Fosivir

	40-50 ans	50-60 ans	60-70 ans
Screening Fosivir ANRS 120	2.9 IQR 2.4-3.3 n=52	3.0 IQR=2.8-4.0 n=30	4.7 IQR=4.1-6.3 n=14
General Population		1.5	2.9

Factors associated to a low bone mineral density :

- Aging, low BMI
- PI, Tenofovir
- Low nadir CD4

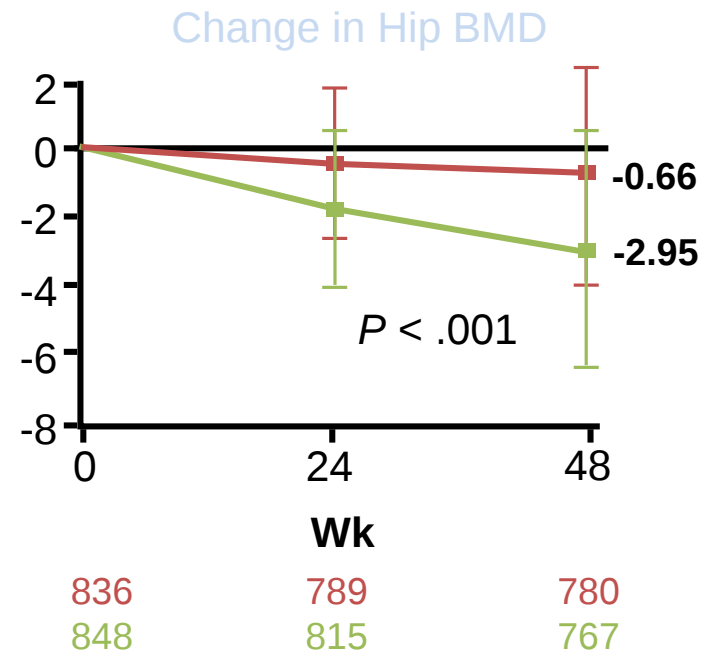
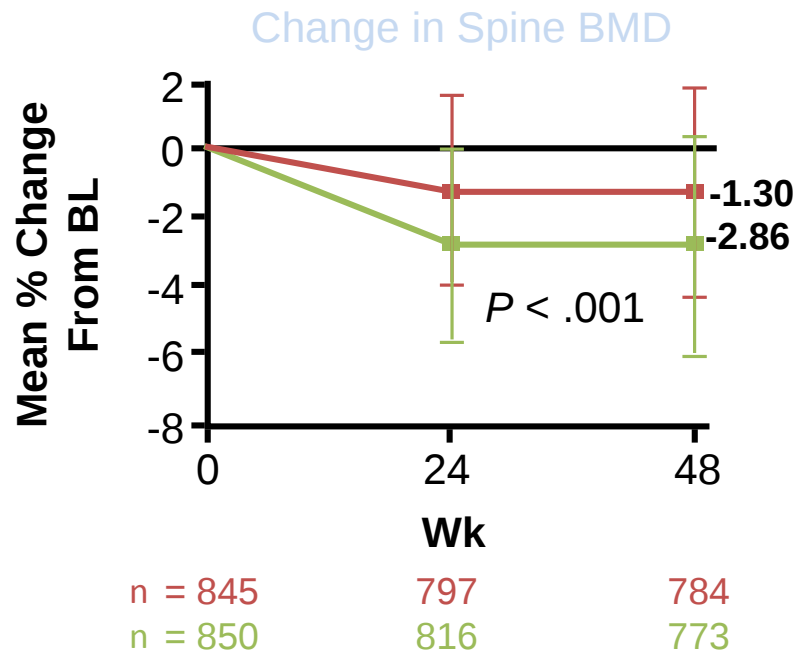
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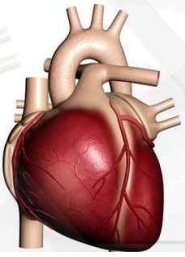
TAF vs TDF Studies in naïve patients 104/111: Smaller decline in hip and spine BMD with TAF

- **Significantly smaller decline in hip and spine BMD with TAF**

● TAF/FTC/EVG/COBI (n = 866)
■ TDF/FTC/EVG/COBI (n = 867)



Higher lipid levels with TAF, but TC:HDL-C ratio same as TDF^[1]



PIs increase cardio-vascular risk *independantly of the lipids effect*

Study	Risk
D:A:D NEJM 2007	1,16 (1,10-1,23) per year of exposition
FHDH ANRS CO4 Arch Int Med 2010,	1,15 (1,06-1,26) per year of exposition
Veterans NEJM 2003	1,23 (0,8-1,9) (16 mois d'exposition médiane) ->1,17 per year of exposition

Lipodystrophy increases inflammation and metabolic disorders

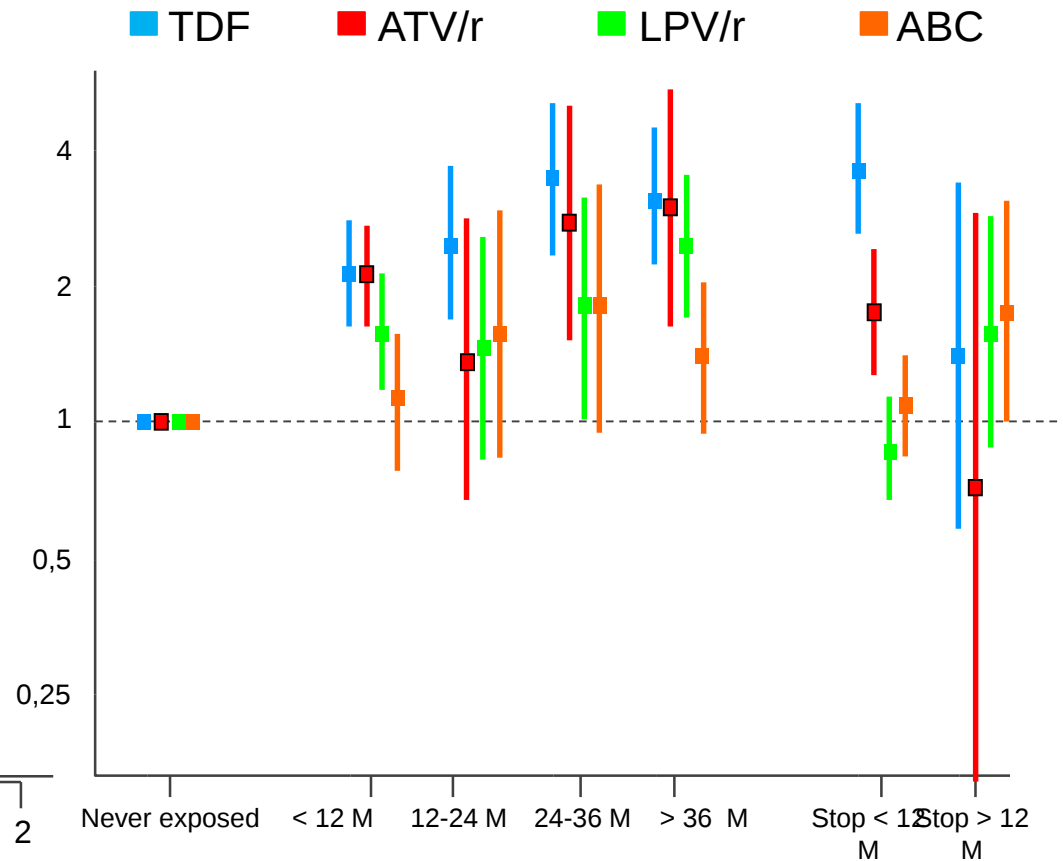
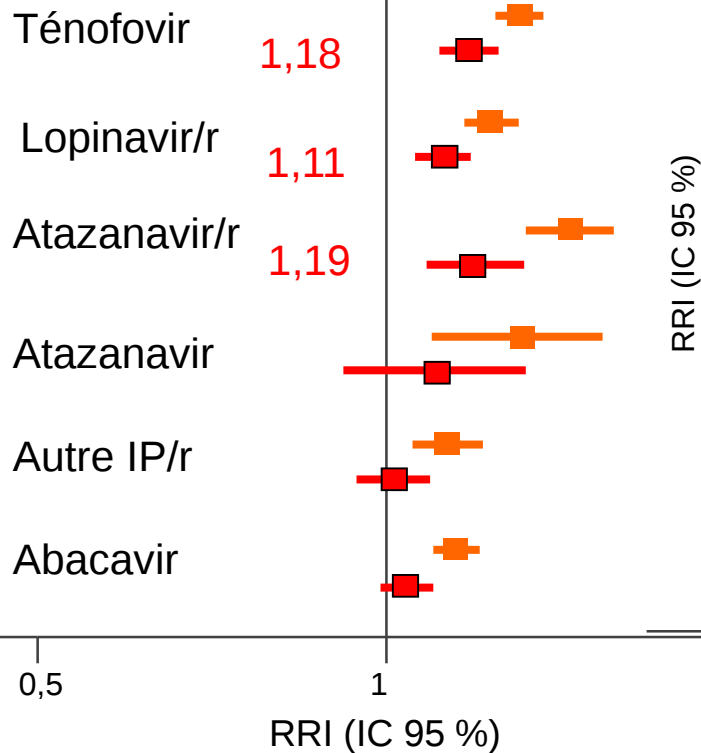


DAD : ARV exposure and renal function

22 603 patients

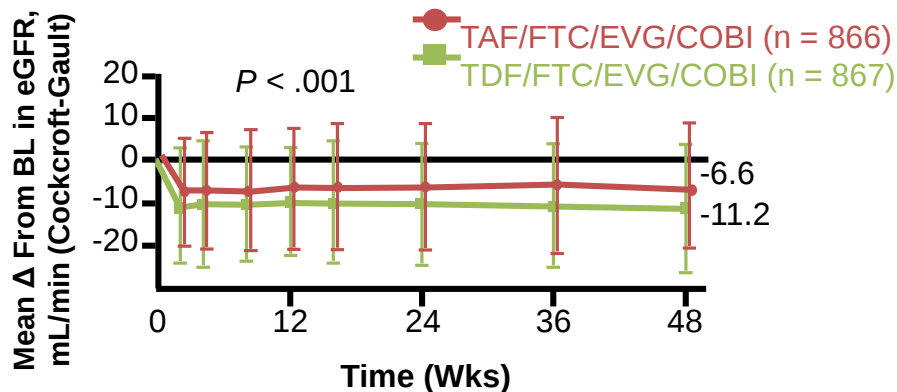
Passage d'un DFG > 90 à ≤ 70 ml/min

■ Multivarié ■ Univarié



Renal Markers With TAF and TDF at Wk 48

Smaller decreases in eGFR with TAF^[1]



Smaller changes in proteinuria with TAF^[1]

Median % Change From BL in Urine Protein:Creatinine Ratio

Marker	TAF (n = 866)	TDF (n = 867)	P Value
Protein	-3	+20	< .001
Albumin	-5	+7	< .001
Retinol-binding protein	+9	+51	< .001
β ₂ -microglobulin	-32	+24	< .001

- In separate single-arm trial of virologically suppressed pts with eGFR 30-69 mL/min switched to open-label TAF/FTC/EVG/COBI^[2]
 - 65% on TDF at BL
- At Wk 48 after switch:
 - 92% maintained virologic suppression
 - No change in eGFR
 - Reduction in proteinuria and markers of renal tubular function
 - Improvement in hip and spine BMD

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FDC

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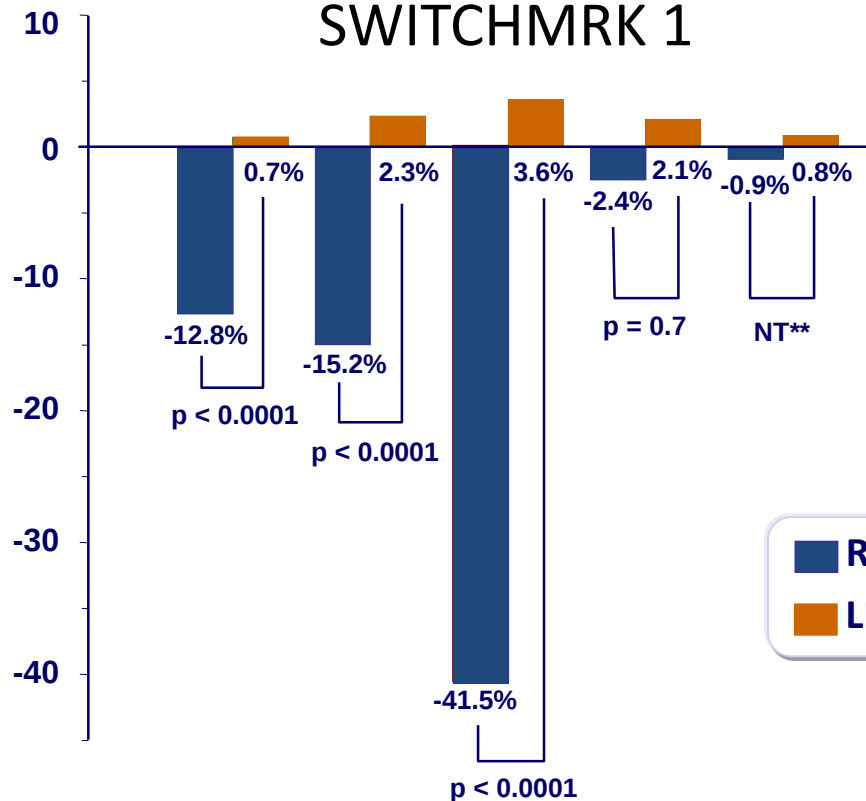
- Despite simplicity and better tolerability ART through guidelines
- remains a triple drug approach
- Need for innovation

Integrase Inhibitors : a key role in ART and particularly in aging population

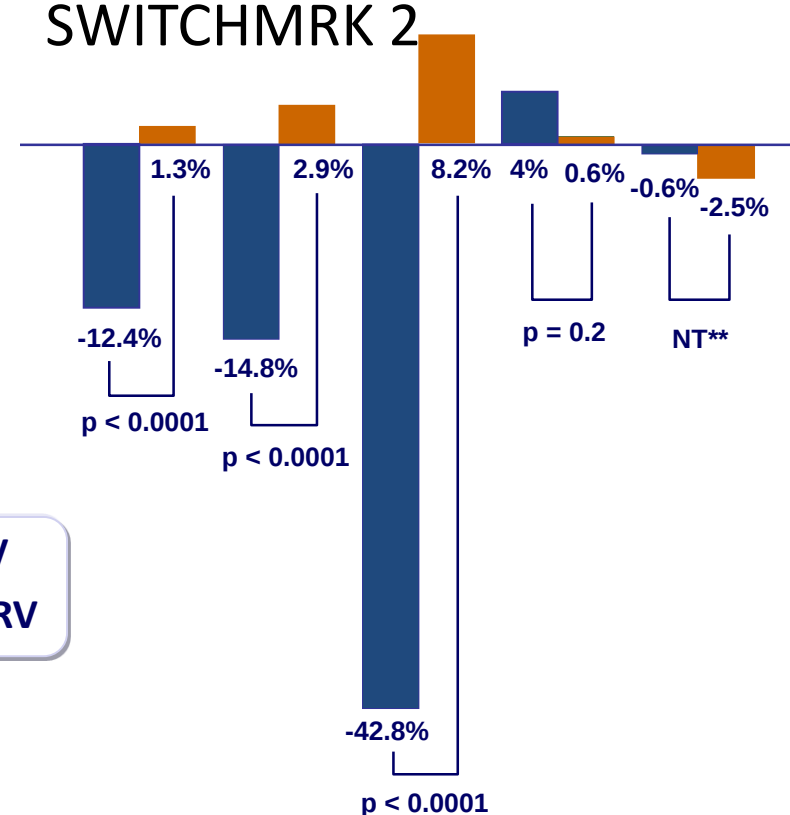
- Fast antiviral Efficacy
- Simplicity
- Limited drug interactions : no DDI with raltegravir
- No metabolic disorders
- No fat tissue distribution
- No renal disorders : RAL; mild inc creat : DTG EVG

SWITCHMRK Study: Switch to RAL vs LPV/r changes in fasting lipids from baseline to W12

SWITCHMRK 1



SWITCHMRK 2



Mean (mmol/L)	Total cholesterol		Non-HDL-C		Triglycerides		LDL-C		HDL-C	
Baseline	5.6	5.3	4.3	4.1	2.1	1.8	3	2.7	1.3	1.2
W12	4.8	5.3	3.6	4.1	1.3	1.9	2.8	2.7	1.2	1.2

Total cholesterol	Non-HDL-C	Triglycerides	LDL-C	HDL-C
5.6	4.3	2.4	2.7	1.2
5.5	4.2	2.5	2.7	1.2
5.6	4.3	2.4	2.7	1.2
5.5	4.3	2.5	2.7	1.2

* median changes for triglycerides

** not tested

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SPIRAL



AIDS 2010, 24:000–000

Substitution of raltegravir for ritonavir-boosted protease inhibitors in HIV-infected patients: the SPIRAL study

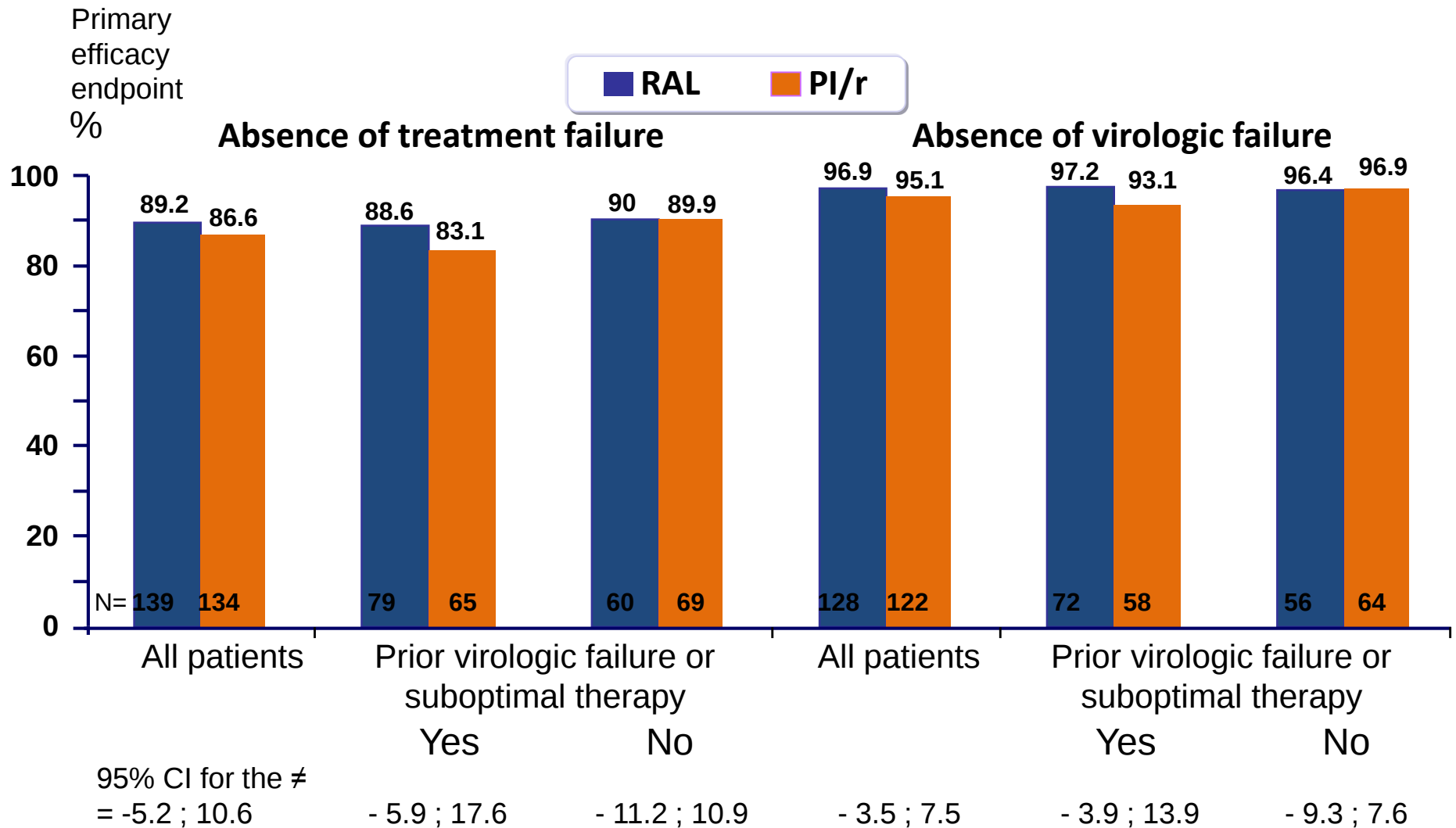
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2NRT+PI
regimen
VL <50 cp

Switch to
raltegravir

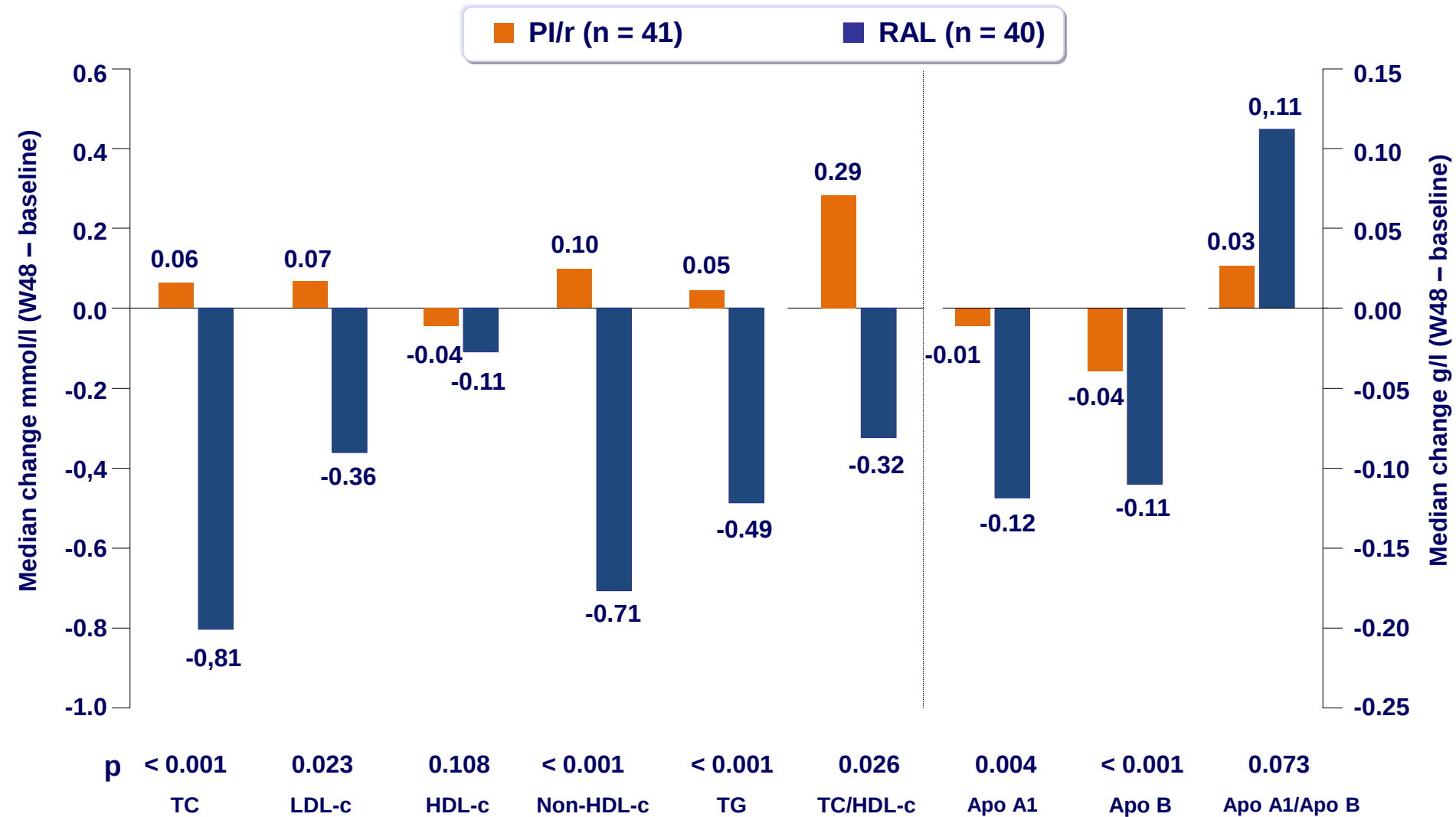
Maintain PI

SPIRAL comparative study : Switch PI/r to RAL in suppressed patients



SPIRAL-MET: Switching PI to RAL

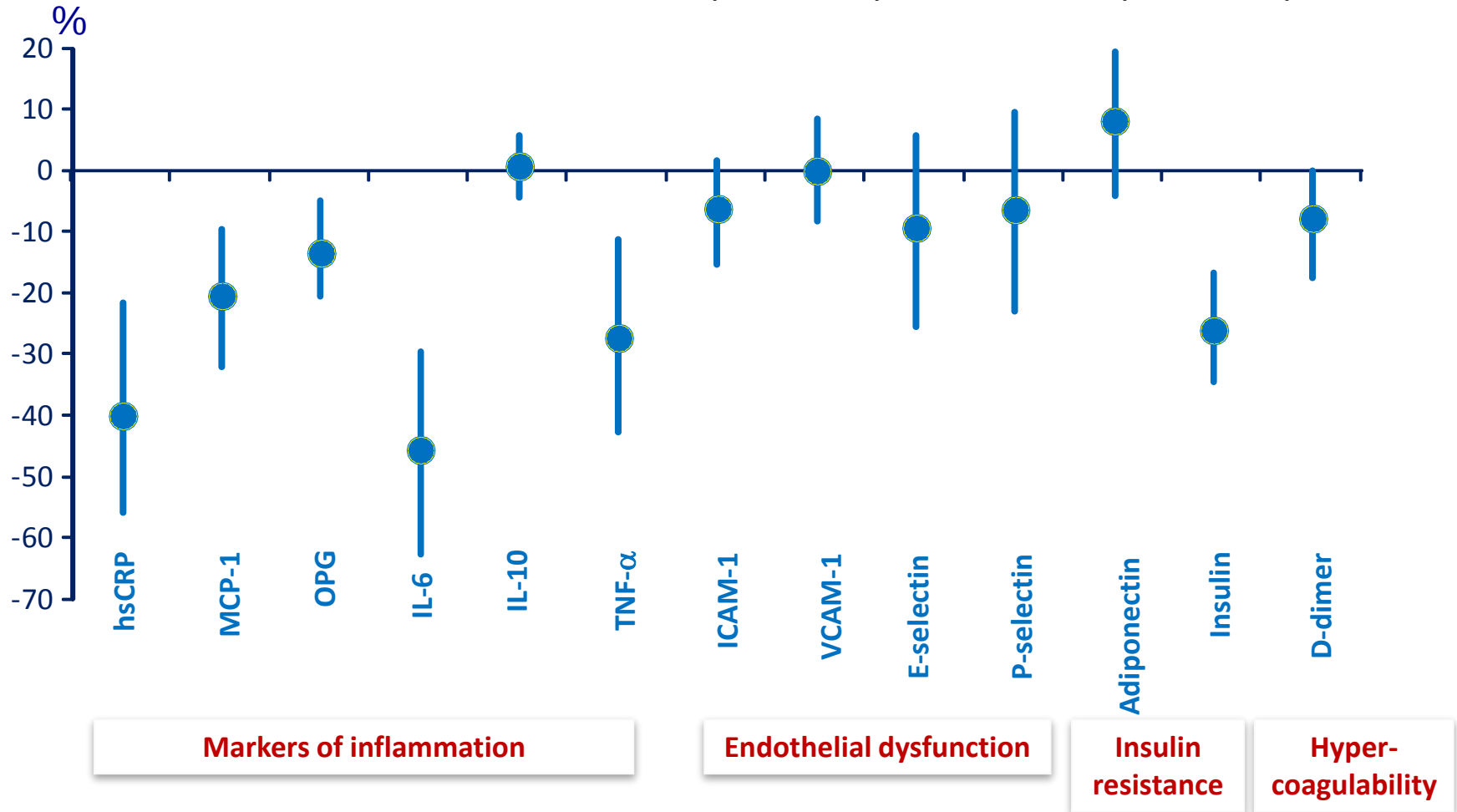
Decrease in lipids



SPIRAL Study: Switching PI/r to RAL

Decrease in cardiovascular biomarkers

Cardiovascular biomarkers: median (95% CI) difference of percent change from baseline to W48, RAL (N = 119) minus PI/r (N = 114)



SPIRAL Study: Switching PI/r to RAL

Correlations between Δ biomarkers and Δ lipids

	Δ Triglycerides	Δ Total cholesterol	Δ LDL cholesterol	Δ HDL cholesterol
Δ hsCRP	-	-	0.2415 (p=0.0016)	-
Δ MCP-1	-	0.1608 (p=0.032)	0.1608 (p=0.032)	0.1807 (p=0.0202)
Δ Insulin Data expressed Spearman's rho (p)	0.2842 (p=0.0001)	- 0.2125 (p=0.004)	-	-

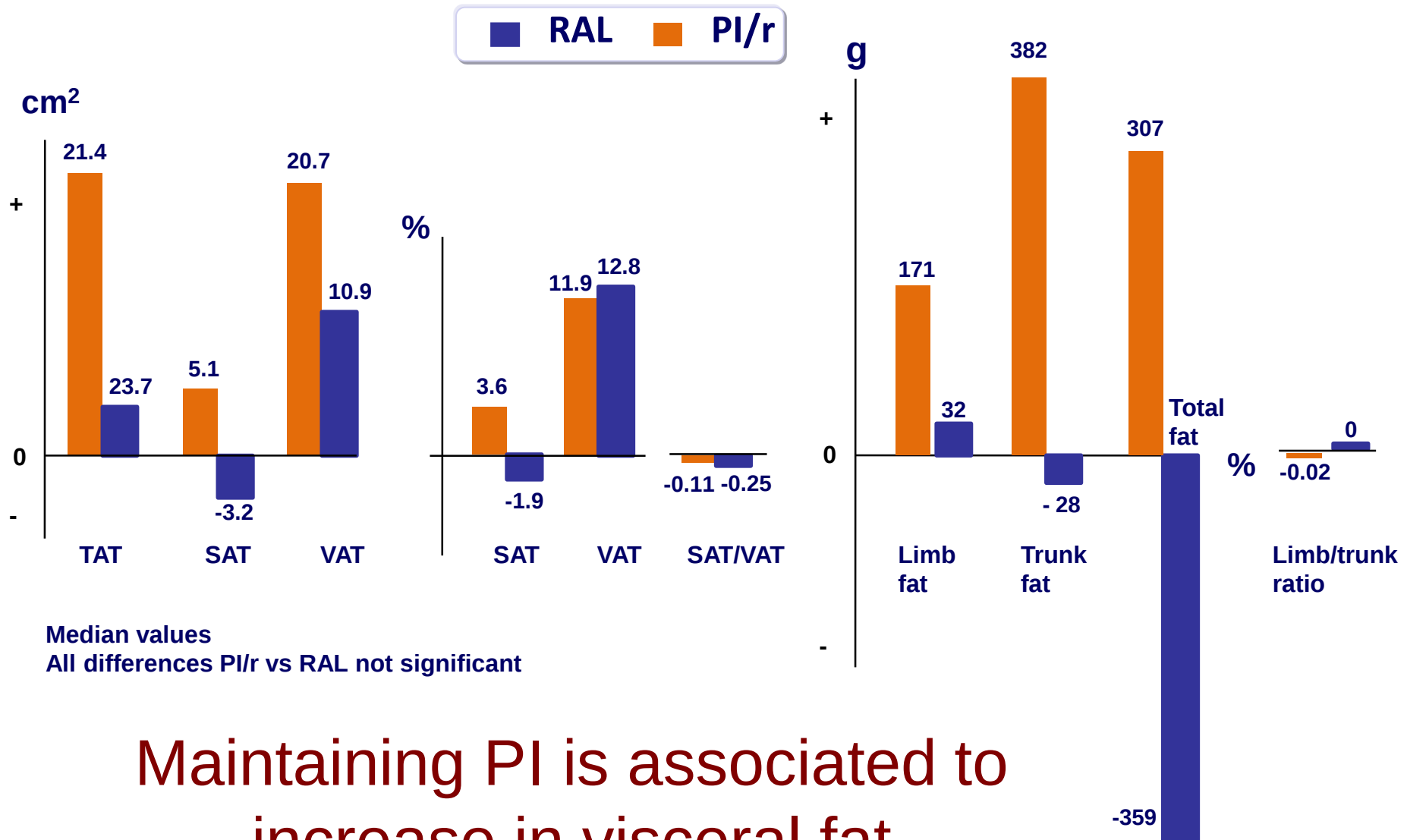
No correlations between Δ OPG, Δ IL-6, Δ IL-10, Δ TNF-alpha, Δ ICAM-1, Δ VCAM-1, Δ E-selectin, Δ P-selectin, Δ Adiponectin, Δ D-dimer and any changes in lipids

Switching from PI/r to RAL led

- not only to significant changes in plasma lipids
- but also to significant changes in several cardiovascular biomarkers associated with inflammation, insulin resistance and hypercoagulability

SPIRAL Study: Switch PI/r to RAL

SPIRAL-LIP substudy (body composition)



Maintaining PI is associated to increase in visceral fat

Switch therapy for toxicity

- **Metabolic disorder /risk :**

discontinue drugs with potential metabolic toxicities **PI**
/EFV replace drugs with no or limited toxicity :

- integrase inhibitor INI : RAL/ DTG; EVG
- NNRTI other than EFV : NVP/ RPV/ ETV

- **Bone disorder /risk**

- discontinue TDF; replace with TAF / consider PI

- **Renal disorder :**

- discontinue TDF; consider TAF
- INI : RAL/DTG

Rules before switching therapy 1

- Explain

- why you want to switch regimen; there must be a potential benefit
- the possibility of going back to prior Rx in case of intolerance to new regimen in a situation of viral control , it is possible

- Check for the complete patient ART history +++++

may be as long as 20 years ; get information on

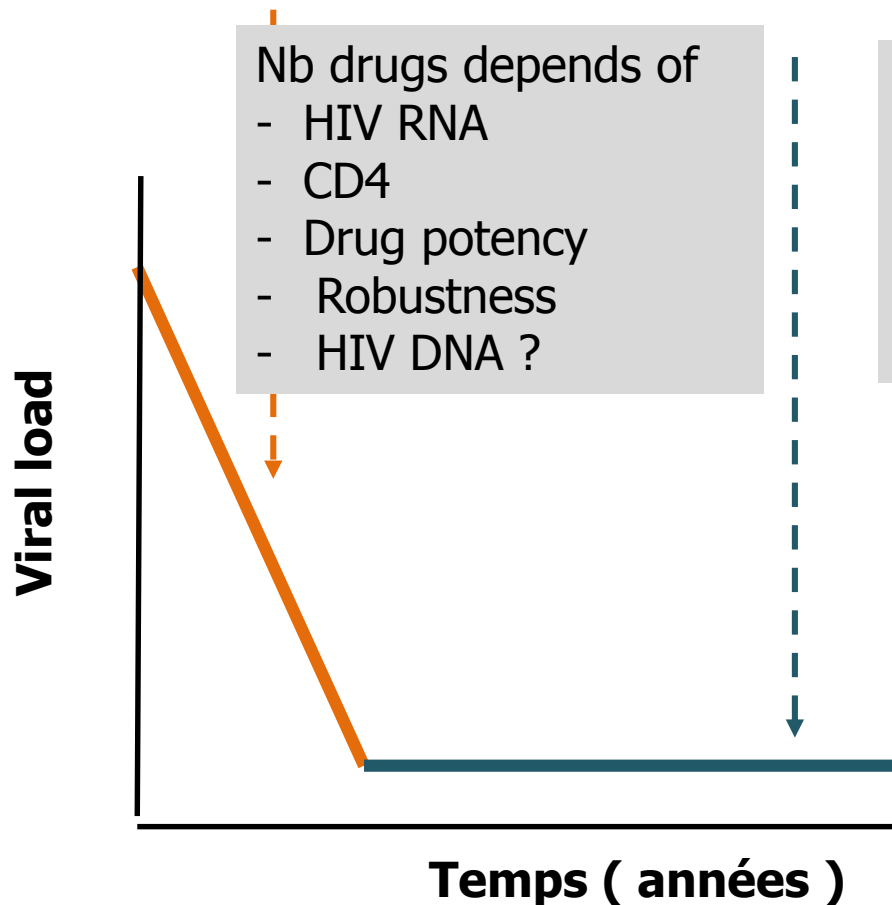
- *preART VL and CD4*
- *prior resistance testing and viral load past history*

Rules before switching therapy 2

- **To select a new regimen** consider which drug is doing what
ex : viral suppression on 2 NRTI+PI may be due majoritarily to PI ..
- **Avoid a situation of fonctionnal monotherapy**
be careful with STR where the 3^o agent is a drug with low genetic barrier to resistance (NNRTI or INI)
- **Check for VL at W4 W12..***some failures may be slow to appear*

Can we control viral load with a non triple therapy ?

Induction



1996 HAART Triple therapy : a revolution

2015

- More potent
- More robust drugs
- Earlier ART with lower HIV RNA and higher CD4

Which strategies ?

- to maintain viral suppression
- with immune profile and low inflammation I
- with low reservoir
- Which predictive markers of success ?

Towards a lighter suppressive ART



Photo V. Gale

Monotherapy

Dual therapies

Dose reduction

Intermittent ART

Towards a lighter suppressive ART



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Monotherapy
PI

Dual therapies
PI/3TC
RAL/ETV
DTG/RPV
DTG/3TC

Dose reduction
ATV , DRV , EFV

Intermittent ART
Study 4D ANRS

Towards a lighter suppressive ART

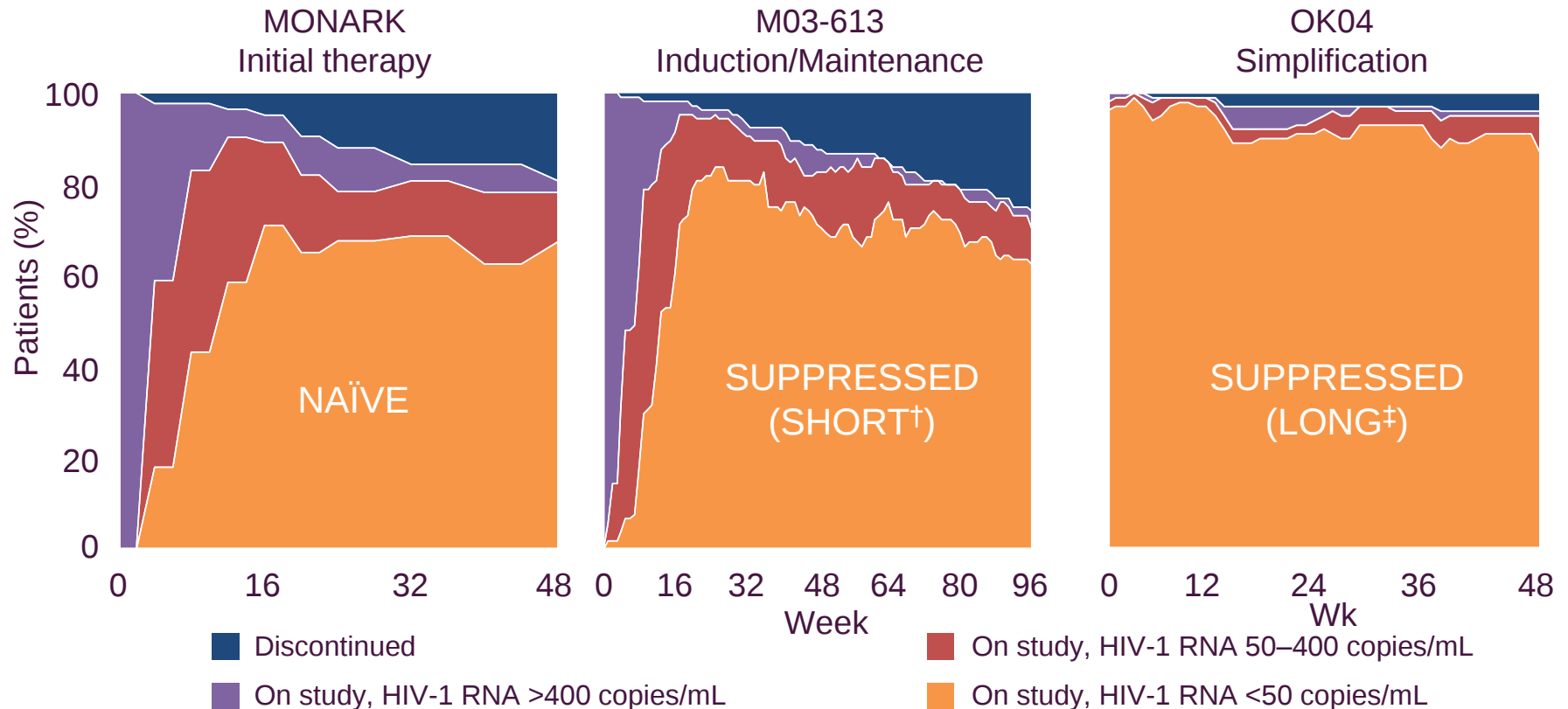


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Monotherapy

PI/r monotherapy

Monotherapy with LPV/r*1

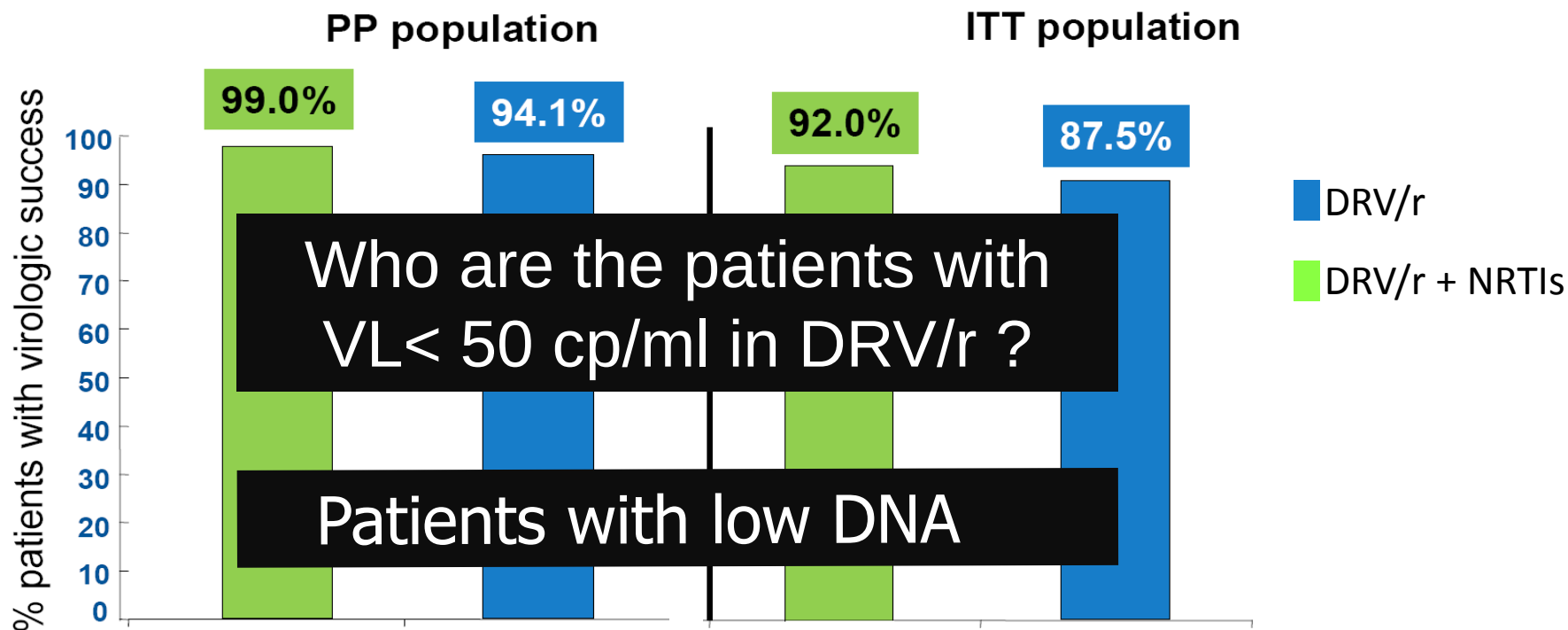


*Boosted PI monotherapy is an off-label approach.

†Short-term suppression: ≤24 weeks;² ‡Long-term suppression: >6 months.³



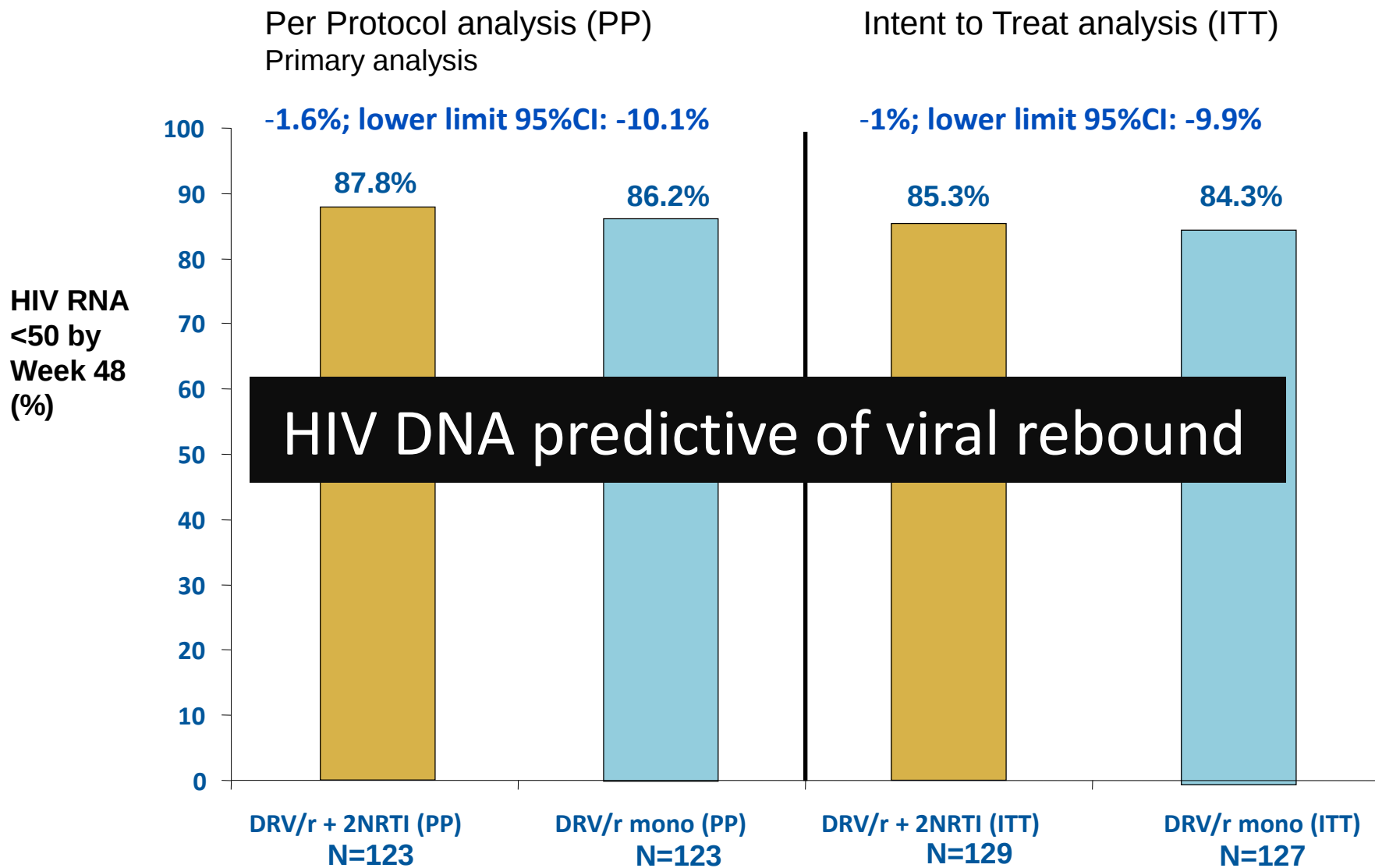
MONOI Darunavir monotherapy in patients with suppressed viremia



Response	Difference (Lower limit CI)
Rx success (PP, n=204)	- 4.9% (- 9%)
Rx success (ITT, n=225)	- 4.5% (-11%)



MONET: Primary Efficacy Analysis: HIV RNA <50 copies/mL at Week 48



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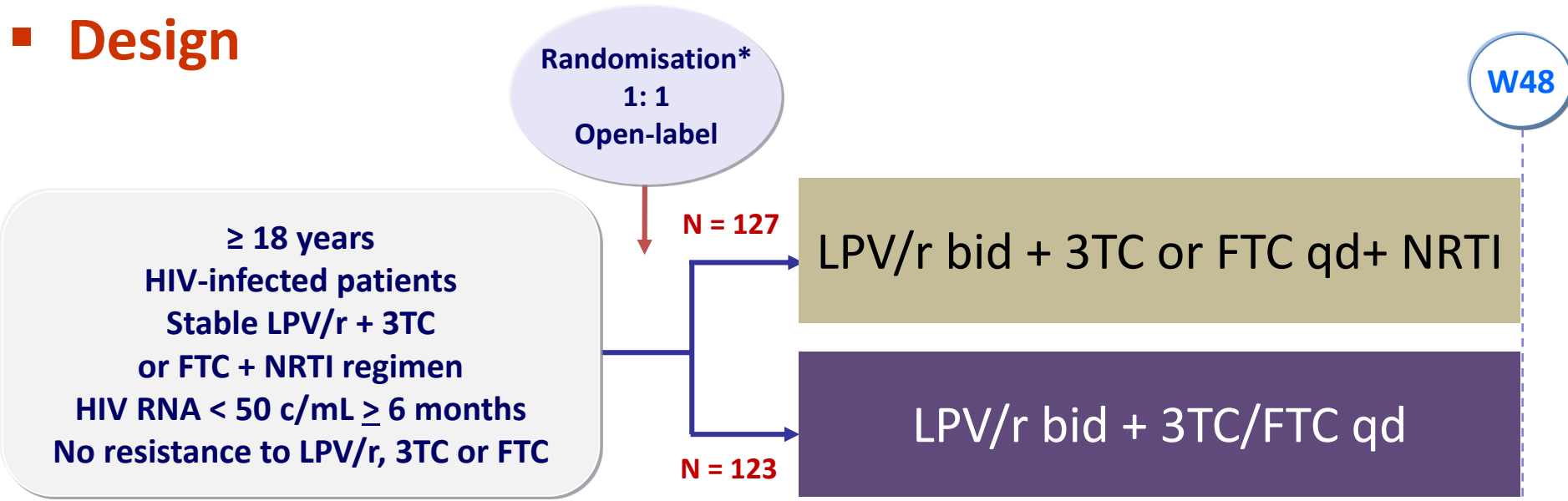
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Dual therapies

- OLE : LPV/3TC
- SALT: ATV/FTC
- RAL/ETV

OLE Study: Switch to LPV/r + 3TC/FTC

■ Design

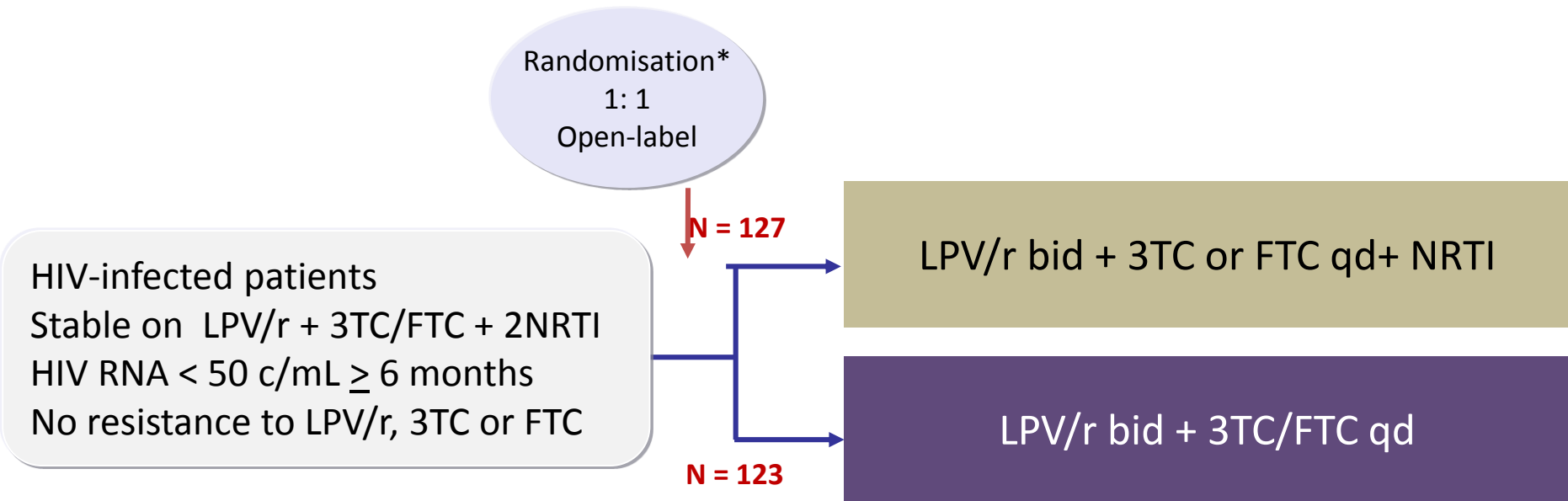


* Randomisation was stratified on time to HIV suppression (< or > 1 year) and nadir CD4 cell count (< or > 100/ μ l)

■ Objective

- Primary Endpoint : proportion without treatment failure at W48 (ITT)
 - Treatment failure : 2 consecutive HIV RNA ≥ 50 c/mL, death, new AIDS event, loss to follow-up, or change or permanent discontinuation of any antiretroviral drug
 - Non-inferiority of dual therapy, upper limit of the 2-sided 95% CI for the difference = 12%, 80% power

OLE Study: Switch to LPV/r + 3TC/FTC



Primary Endpoint : proportion without treatment failure at W48
(ITT) NI CI : 12%

Population

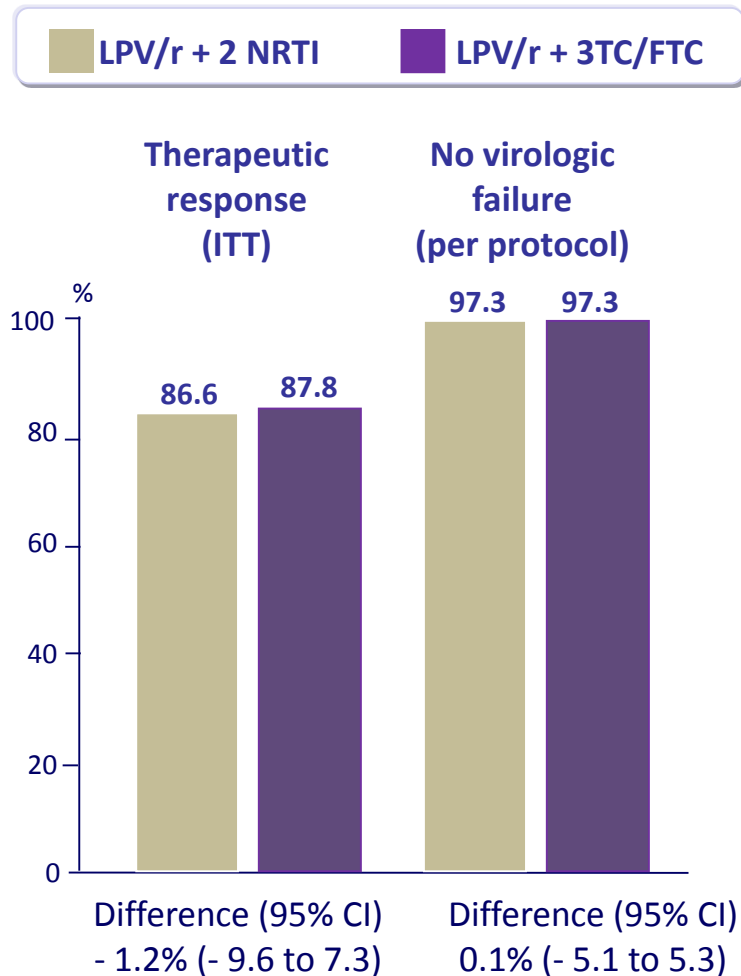
median age : 45 years CD4 nadir : 175 /mm³

duration of viral suppression : 50 months

OLE Study: Switch to LPV/r + 3TC/FTC

Efficacy results at W48

HIV RNA < 50 c/mL (ITT)



Confirmed virologic failure

	LPV/r + 2 NRTI	LPV/r + 3TC/FTC
N	3	3
Analyzed for resistance	2	2
Emergence of resistance	-	1 (K103N + M184V)

Number of viral blips similar in both arms (N = 12)

Causes of therapeutic failure

	LPV/r + 2 NRTI	LPV/r + 3TC/FTC
Adverse event	3%	1%
Virologic failure	2%	2%
Lost to follow-up	2%	3%
Other	6%	6%

SALT Study: switch to ATV/r + 3TC

■ Design

Stable 3-drug regimen
No previous treatment failure
HIV RNA < 50 c/mL $\geq$ 6 months
No resistance to study medications
HBs Ag negative

N = 143

**ATV/r 300/100 mg qd + 2 NRTI
(investigator-selected)**

N = 143

ATV/r 300/100 mg + 3TC 300 mg qd

W48

W96

* Randomisation was stratified on active HCV infection and previous treatment (NNRTI, PI/r, CCR5 antagonist, integrase inhibitor)

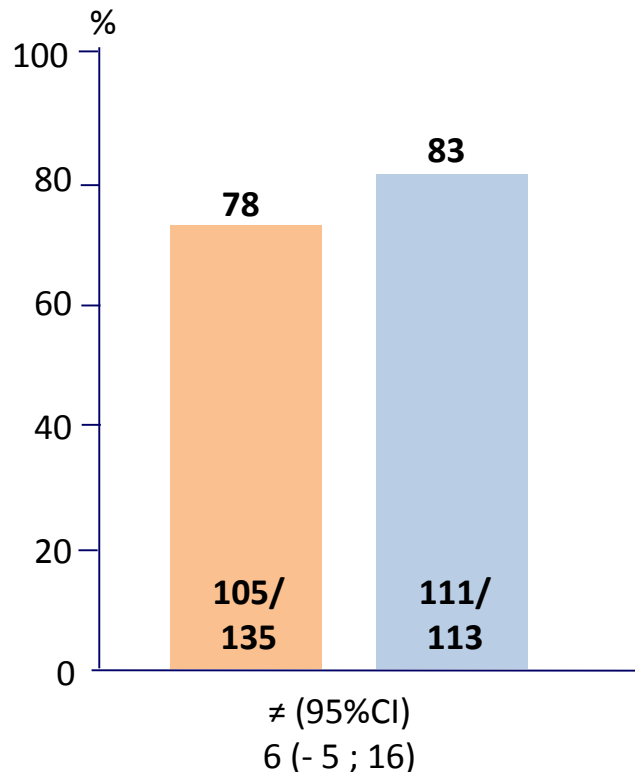
■ Objective

- Primary Endpoint : proportion with treatment success at W48
 - Treatment failure : treatment discontinuation or modification for any cause or confirmed virologic rebound (2 consecutive HIV RNA > 50 c/mL)
 - Non-inferiority of ATV/r + 3TC (per protocol) ; lower limit of the 95% CI for the difference = -12%

SALT Study: switch to ATV/r + 3TC

**HIV RNA < 50 c/mL at W48
(Per protocol, TLOVR)**

ATV/r + 2 NRTI ATV/r + 3TC



Confirmed virologic rebound

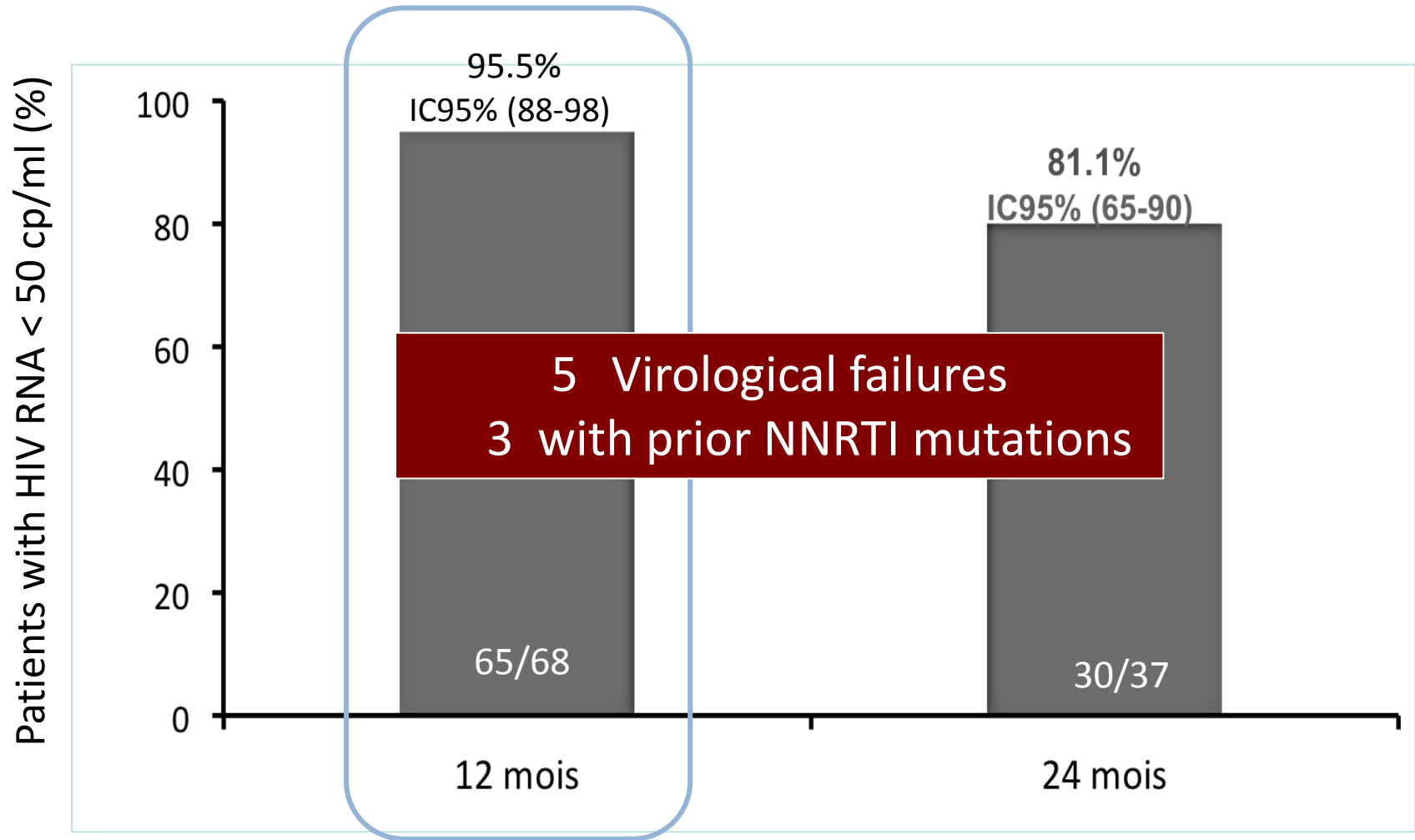
	ATV/r + 2 NRTI	ATV/r + 3TC
N	4	5
Emergence of resistance mutations	1 (M184V)	0

Safety

	ATV/r + 2 NRTI N = 141	ATV/r + 3TC N = 140
AEs leading to discontinuation	10 (7.2%)	3 (2.2%)
Grade 3-4 AEs	78 (55%)	77 (55%)
Hyperbilirubinemia	71	72
Icterus	2	0
Liver function test	2	2
Hyperlipidemia	2	3
Thrombocytopenia	1	2
Severe adverse events (none related to study medication)	8	6

Cohort Pitie- salpetriere Switch dual RAL/ETR

Virological success (per protocole)



L'analyse per protocole exclue les patients ayant arrêté pour des raisons autres que l'échec virologique

Switch RAL/ETR

Virological failures W48

	Replication under NNRTI (>200 copies/mL)	Exposure RAL	Cumulative resistance prior to switch retrospective (INNTI&II)
1	Yes	No	-
2	No	No	V179I
3	Yes	No	K103N, Y181C

	CV plasmatique					CV contrôle	Resistance profile at failure
	D0	M1	M3	M6	M12		
1	37	-	69			51	V72I
2	<20	<20	-	90		38	-
3	<40	-	-	2653	7679	7679	P225H, Y181C, N155H

Efficacy excellent if no prior NNRTI resistance
One INI resistance developed

Calin R AFRAVIH 2014

ETRAL ANRS : Study design

- ANRS study start january 2015
- Identify a treatment strategy without NRTI and PI : RAL/ETR
- Non comparative switch study
- Primary end point : % pts with VS at W48

- HIV1 ; âge ≥ 45
- CV < 50 copies/mL depuis au moins 2 ans
- CD4 > 200 /mm³
- Stable ART with PI /r > 6 months
- Integrase inhibitor and etravirine naive
- No NNRTI mutation except for K103N ; full sensitivity to ETR



160 patients

RAL 400 mg BID + ETR 200 mg BID

DXA scan
- bone
- fat tissue

W48 primary end point
% pts with VL < 50 cp/ml

W96 Follow-up

Centers in France (15) Spain (3)

Towards a lighter suppressive ART



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Dose reduction
ATV , DRV , EFV

400-mg EFV non inferior to 600-mg EFV with TDF/FTC for initial ART

- Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, noninferiority phase III trial

636 ART-naive
CD4 : 273 /mm³
HIV-1 RNA : 4.75 log

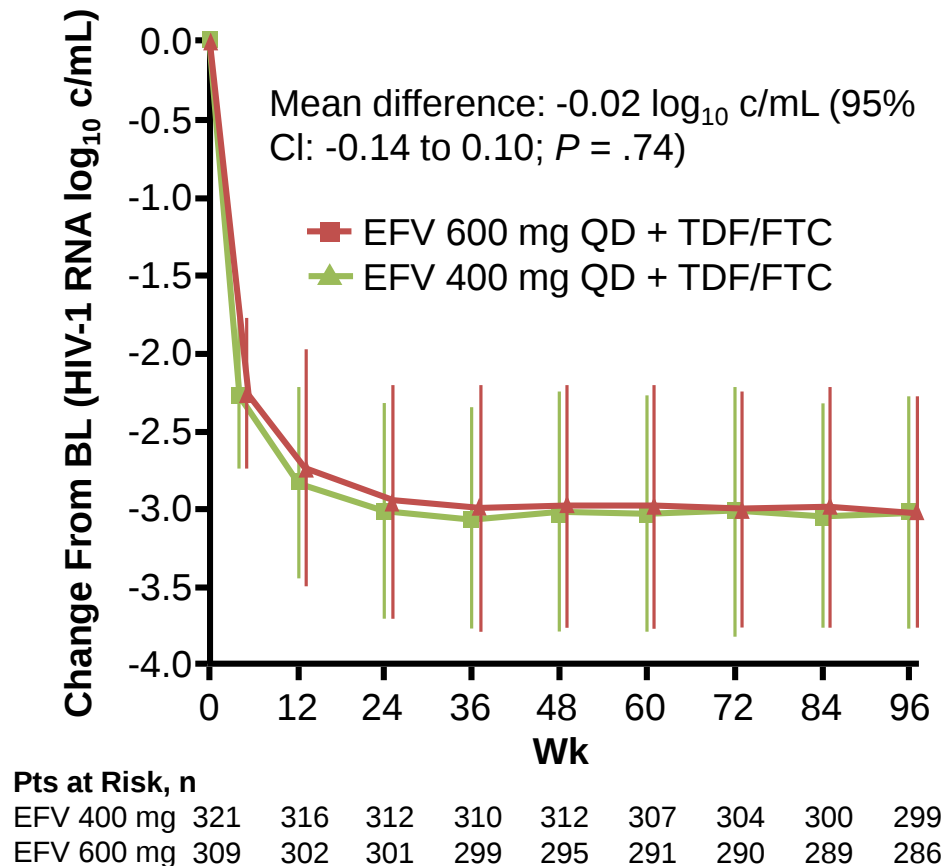
EFV* 400 mg + Placebo +
TDF/FTC n = 324

EFV* 600 mg +
TDF/FTC n = 312

HIV-1 RNA < 200 cp/ml W48		
NC=F	ITT	PP
90.0 %	94.1 %	98.3 %
85.8 %	92.2 %	97.4 %

- More drug-related AEs for EFV 600 **47.2%** mg vs EFV 400 mg **36.8%**; $p=.008$
- More discontinuations of EFV 600 mg due to AE vs EFV 400 mg
1.9% vs 5.8%; $p = .010$

ENCORE 1: EFV 400 mg QD Noninferior to 600 mg QD Through 96 Wks



- Mean change in CD4+ cell count from BL greater with 400-mg vs 600-mg EFV (*P* = .03)
- Rate of EFV-related AEs lower with 400-mg vs 600-mg dose: 37.7% vs 47.9% (*P* = .01)
- Trend toward lower rate of discontinuation for EFV-related AEs with 400-mg vs 600-mg dose: 8.3% vs 15.5% (*P* = .07)
- Frequency of treatment emergent NNRTI resistance similar in both arms

Maintaining viral suppression with alternative strategies

Clinical studies ongoing

Dual Therapies

RAL/ETR
DTG/RPV
DTG/3TC

Dose reduction

DRV/r 400 mg
ATV/r 200 mg

Intermittent ART

4 days off
Study 4D

Need for clinical studies in different patients populations

Long acting drugs

UneA major opportunity in treatment and prevention

Rilpivirine LA

- Nanosuspension NNRTI
- Monthly IM Injections

GSK744 LAP

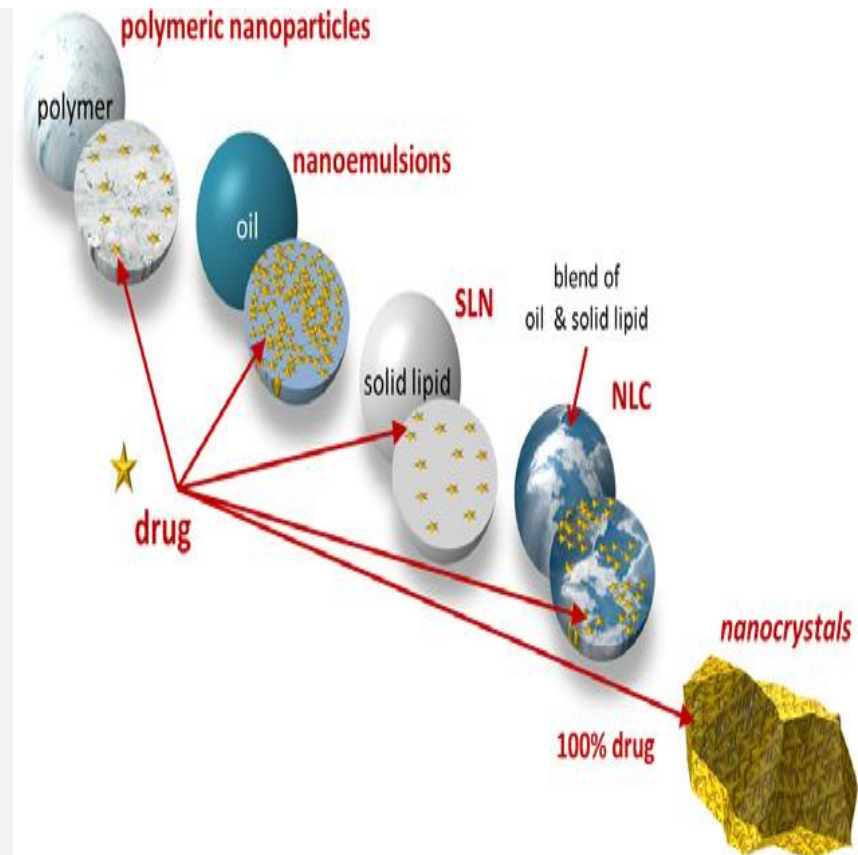
- Nanosuspension inhibiteur intégrase
- IM/SC Monthly / every 3 mo
- 200-1200 mg tested

GSK 744 oral study (Latte)

10 20 30 60 mg + TDF/FTC

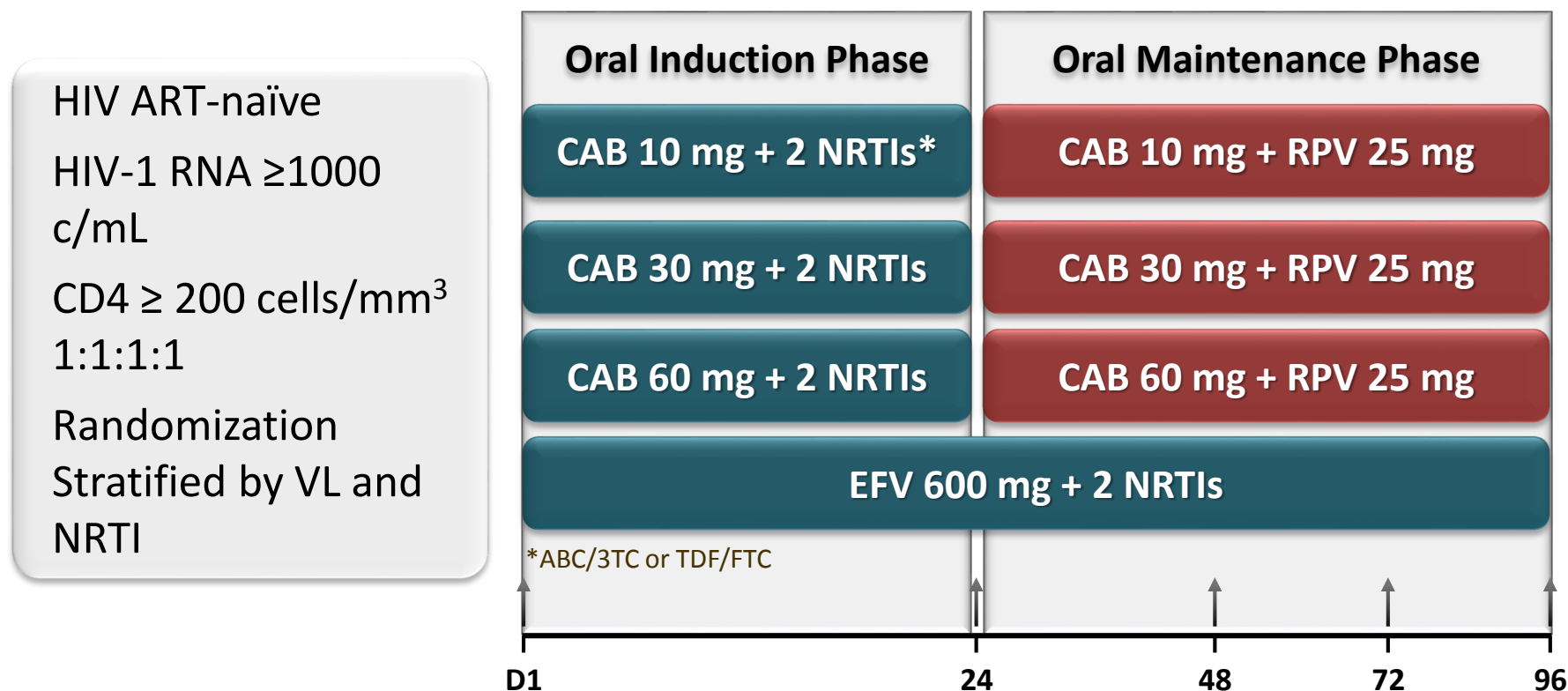
Efficacy > 90%

No difference between doses



Cabotegravir and Rilpivirine as Two-Drug Oral Maintenance Therapy: LATTE Week 96 results

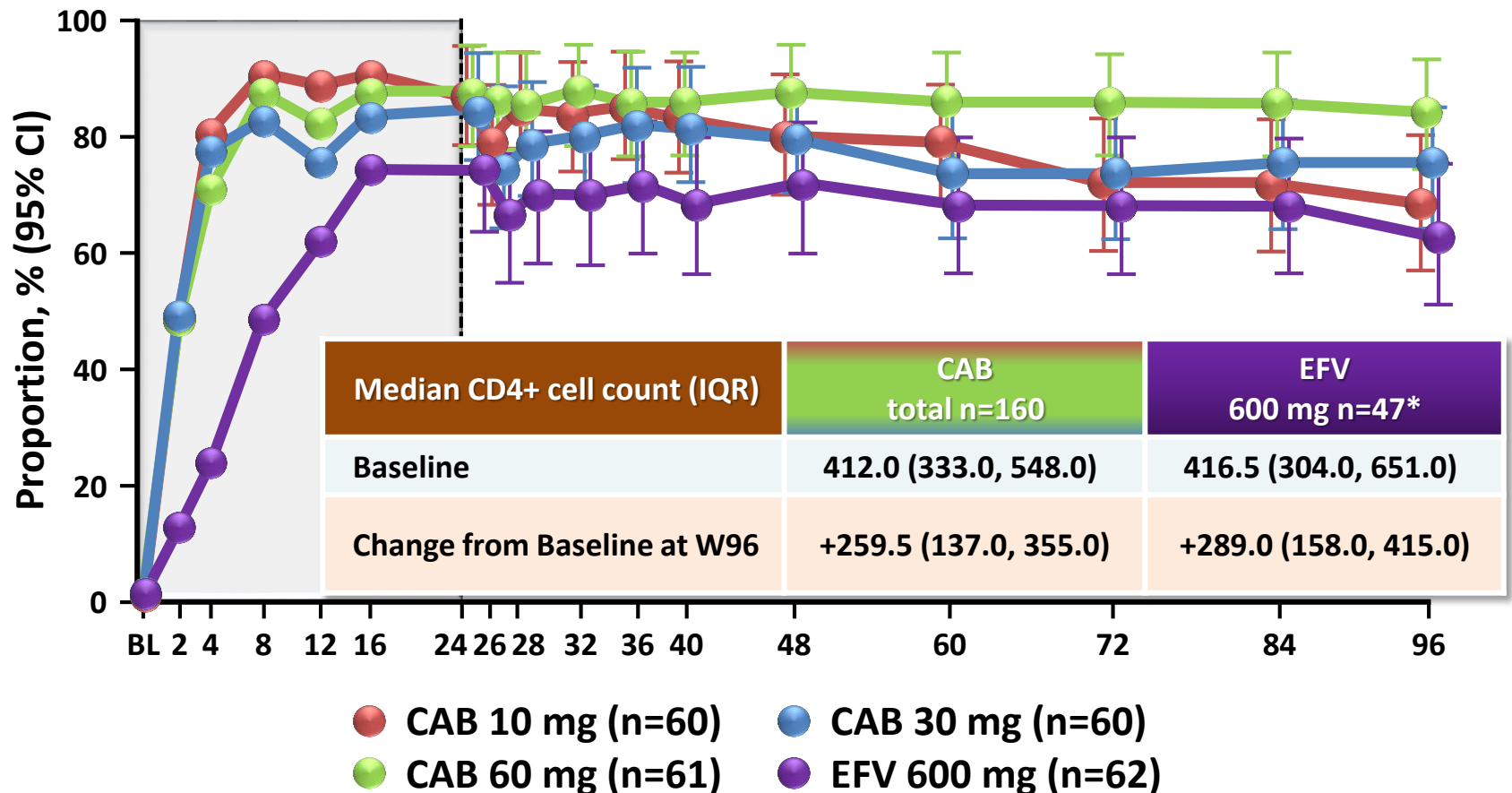
Figure 1. LATTE Study Design



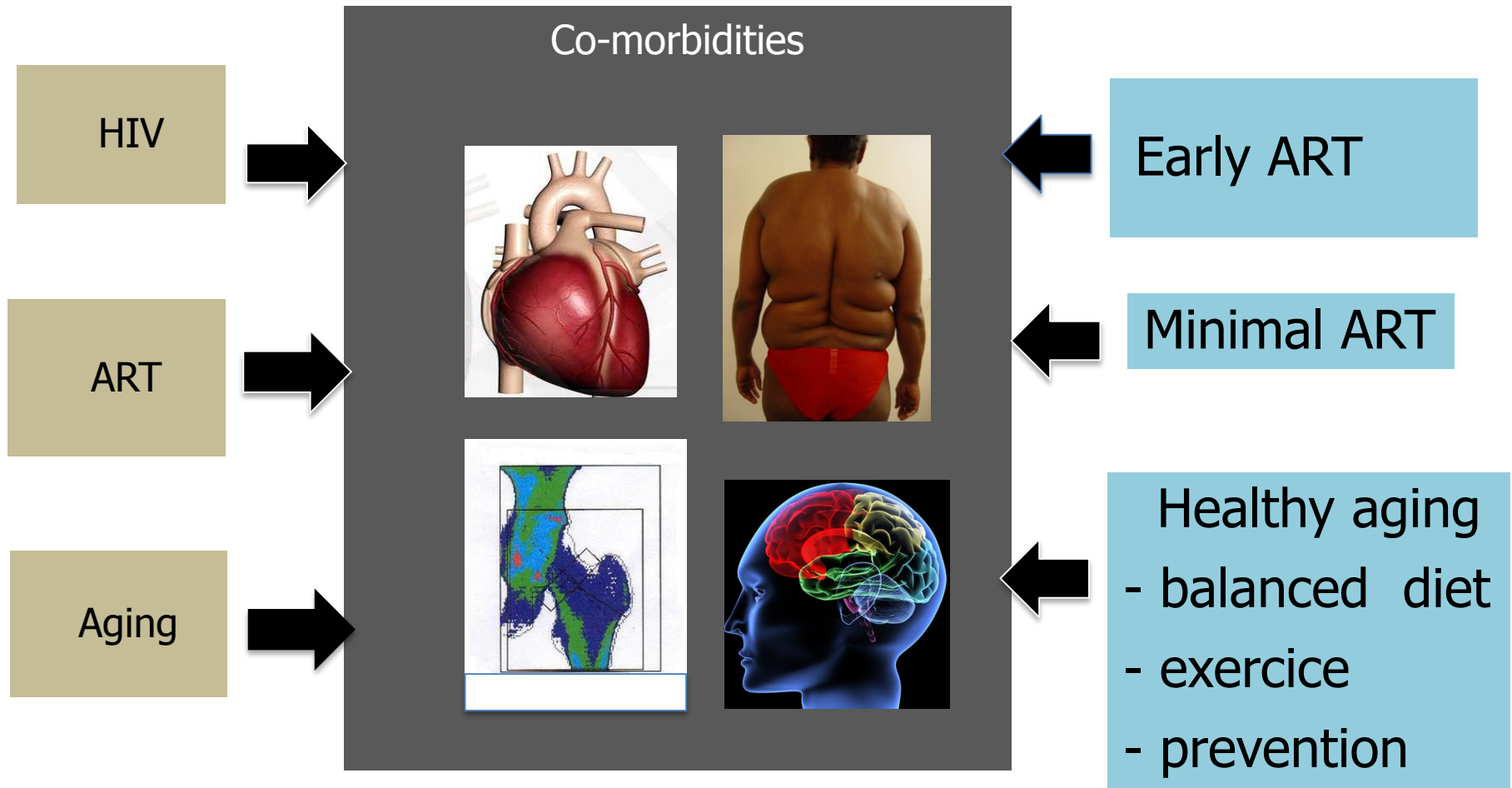
Following Week 96, subjects on the CAB arms transition into the Open-Label Phase. Subjects on the EFV arm are withdrawn from the study at Week 96.

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Figure 2. Virologic Success: HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL by FDA Snapshot (ITT-E)



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