

# A New Era in ART: Tailored 2DR's

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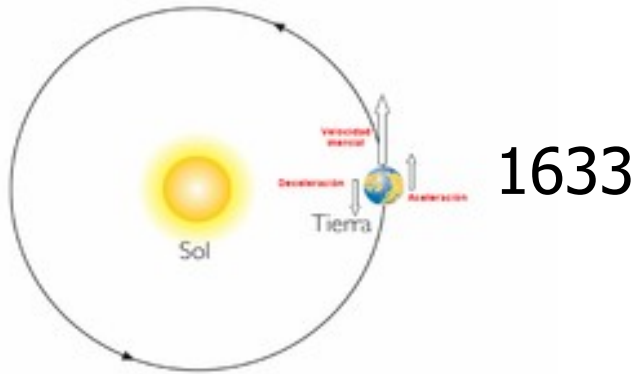


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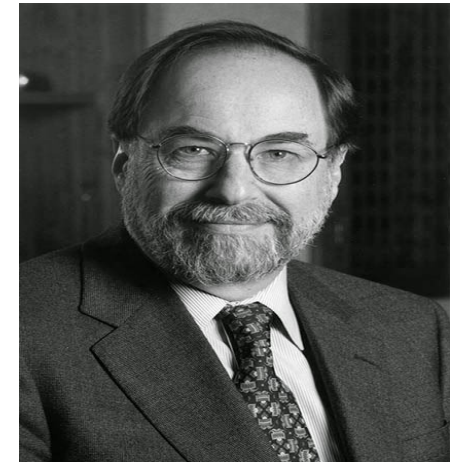
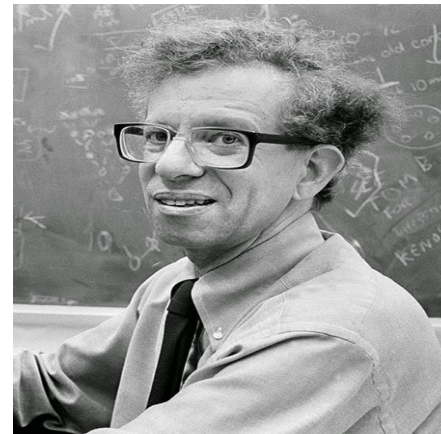
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# Challenging dogmas & introducing new paradigms: Never easy



Reverse transcription (1970)  
RNA  $\longrightarrow$  DNA



Only rehabilitated in 1939 (Pius XII) and 1992 (Jean Paul II)

Nobel laureates, 1975

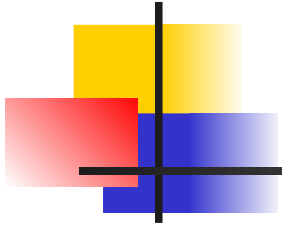


Look at the forest, not only at one tree

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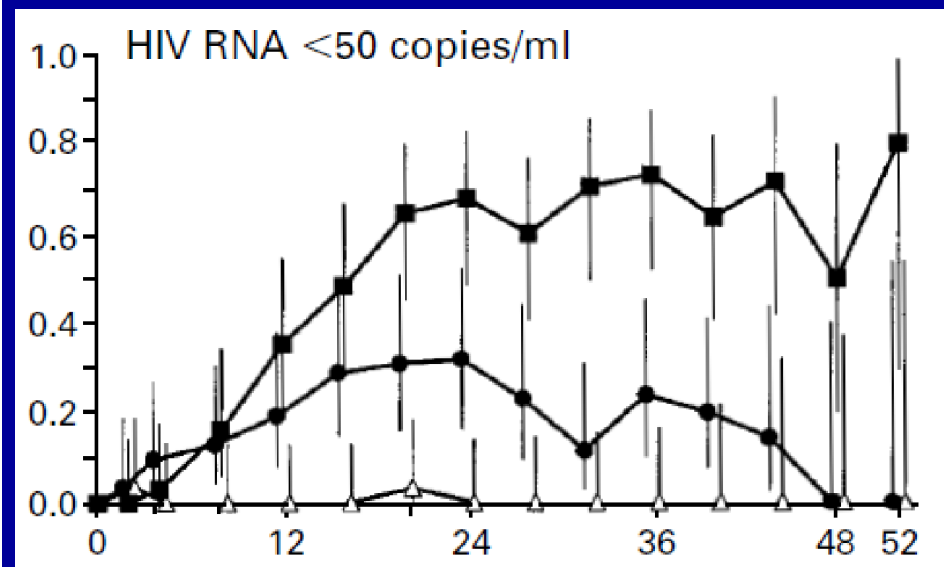
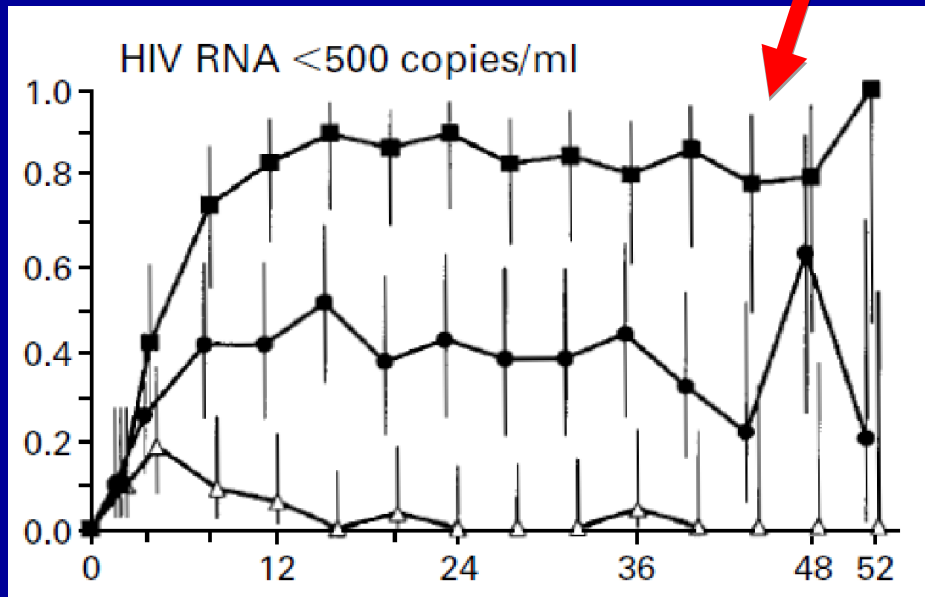


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## 3 is a magic number ?

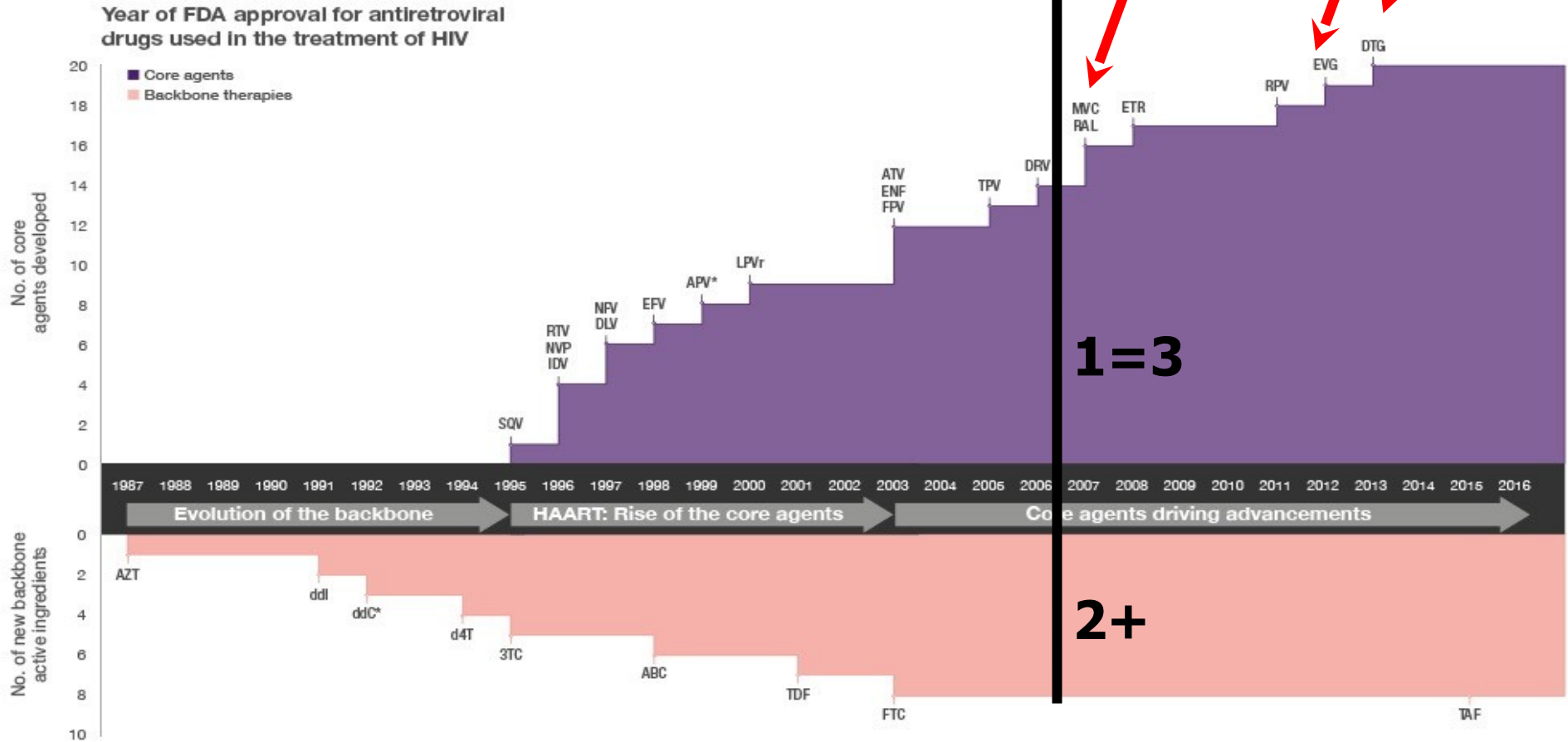
### TREATMENT WITH INDINAVIR, ZIDOVUDINE, AND LAMIVUDINE IN ADULTS WITH HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS INFECTION AND PRIOR ANTIRETROVIRAL THERAPY

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- Three drugs
- Indinavir
- △ Zidovudine-lamivudine

# THE EVOLUTION OF HIV THERAPY

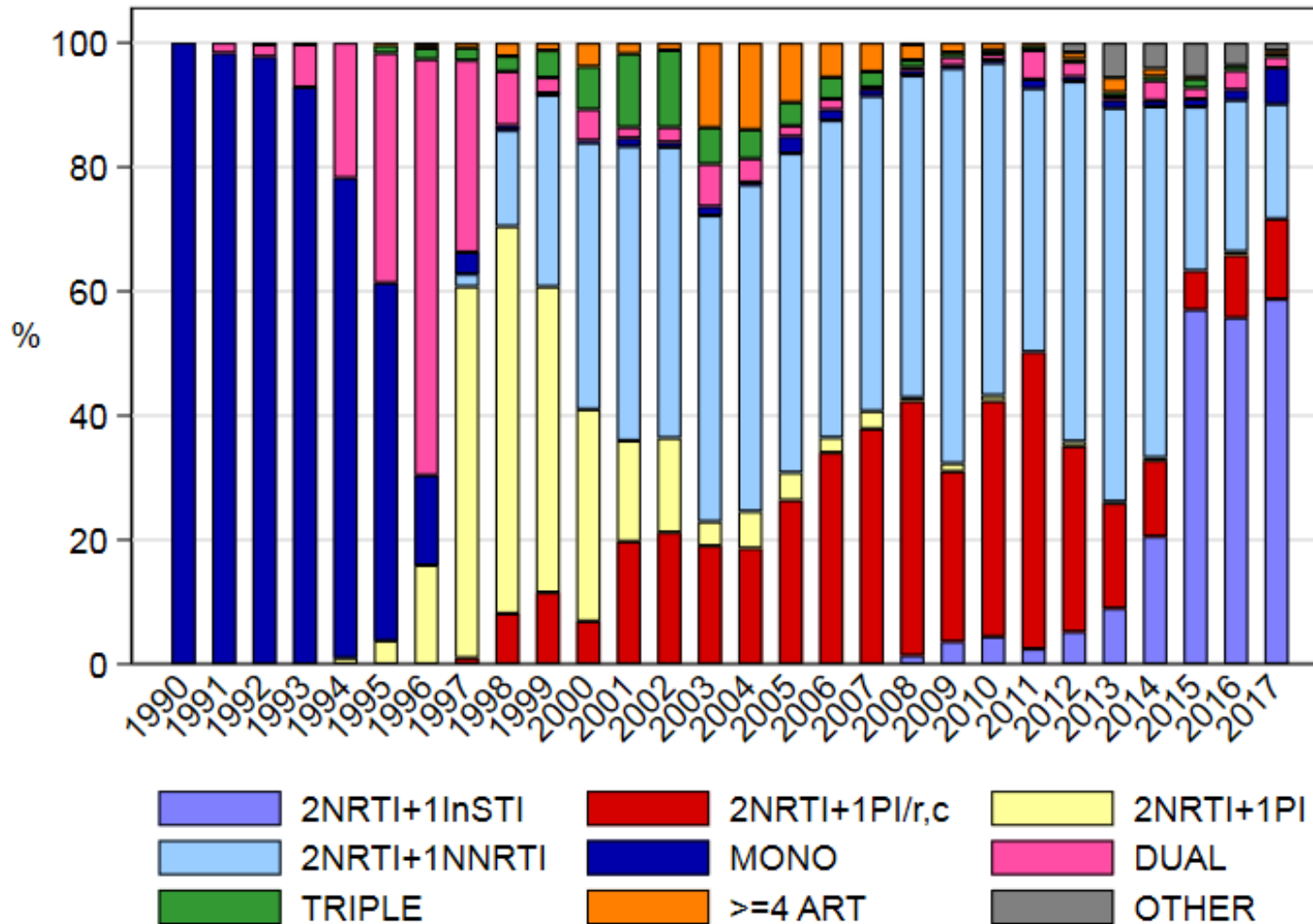


\*No longer marketed in the United States of America

3TC = lamivudine; ABC = abacavir; APV = amprenavir; ATV = atazanavir; AZT = azidothymidine; d4T = stavudine; ddC = zalcitabine; ddl = didanosine; DLV = delavirdine; DRV = darunavir; DTG = dolutegravir; ENF = enfuvirtide; ETR = etravirine; EVF = efavirenz; EVG = elvitegravir; FPV = fosamprenavir; FTC = emtricitabine; HAART = highly active antiretroviral therapy; IDV = indinavir; LPVr = lopinavir; MVC = maraviroc; NFV = nelfinavir; NVP = nevirapine; RAL = raltegravir; RPV = rilpivirine; RTV = ritonavir; SQV = saquinavir; TAF = tenofovir alafenamide; TDF = tenofovir disoproxil fumarate; TPV = tipranavir

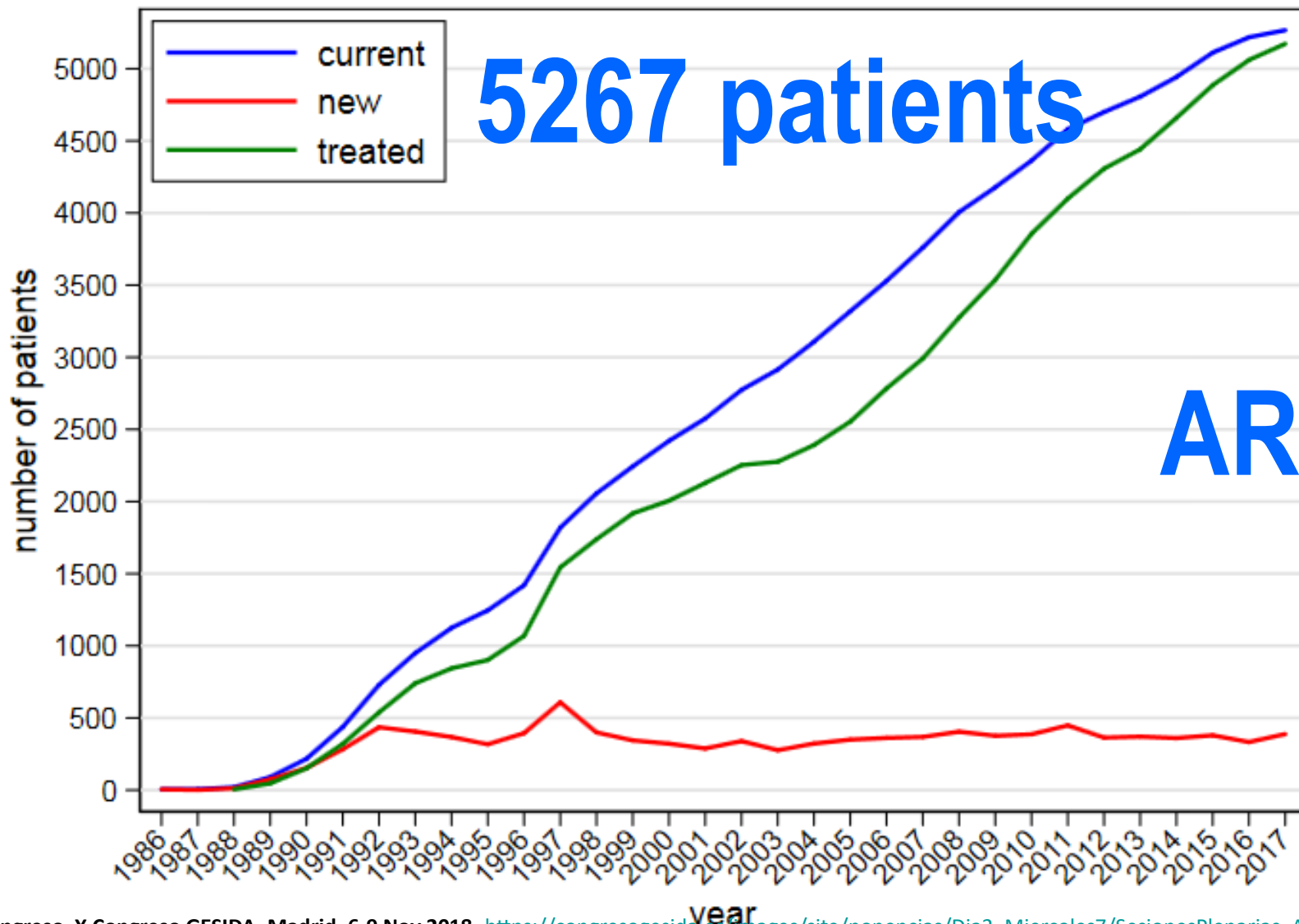


# The Constant Evolution of Initial ART at the Hospital Clinic of Barcelona, Spain (1990-2017)



InSTI = 60%

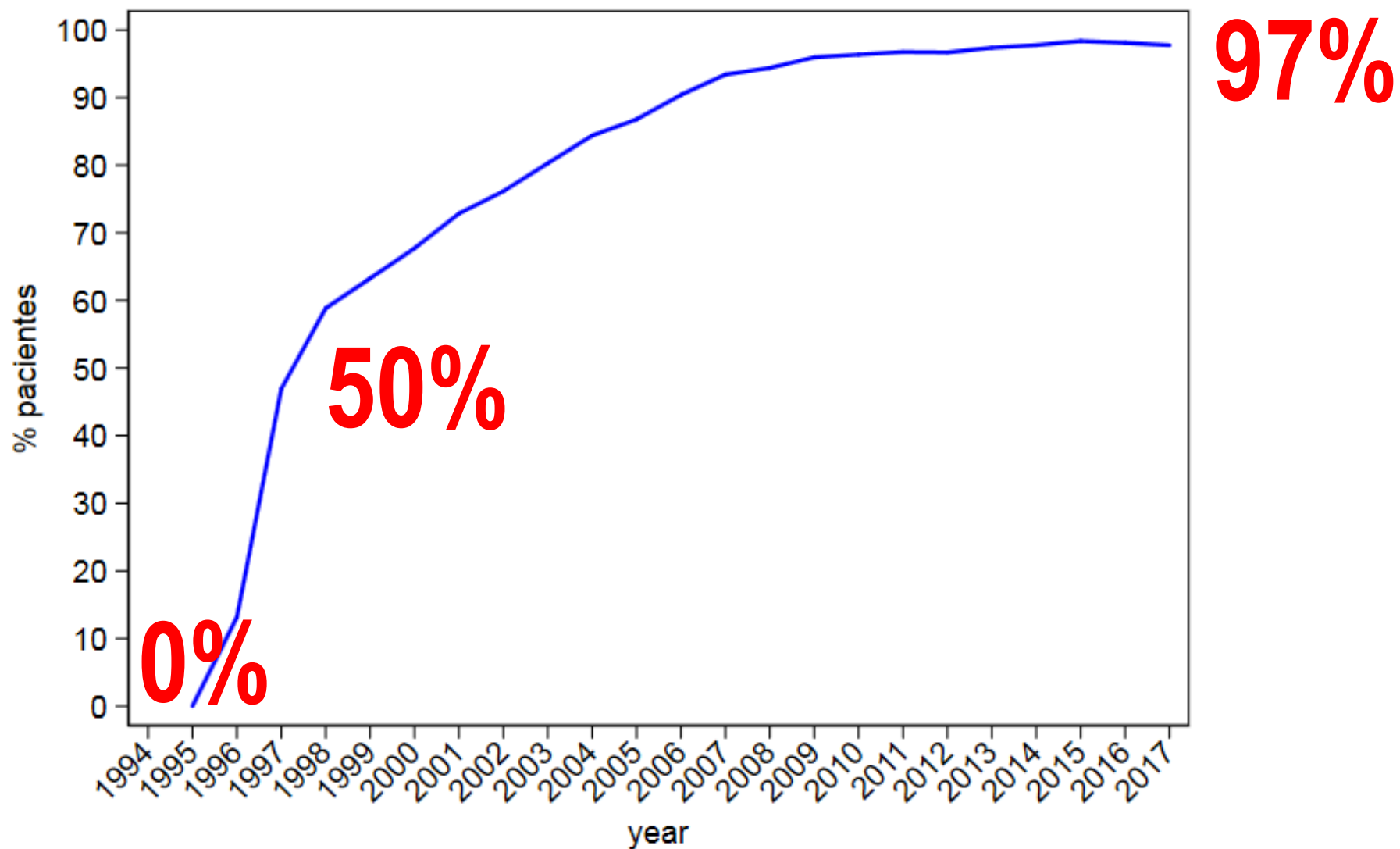
# Number of new and accumulated HIV-infected patients and patients on ART at the H. Clinic of Barcelona (1986-2017)



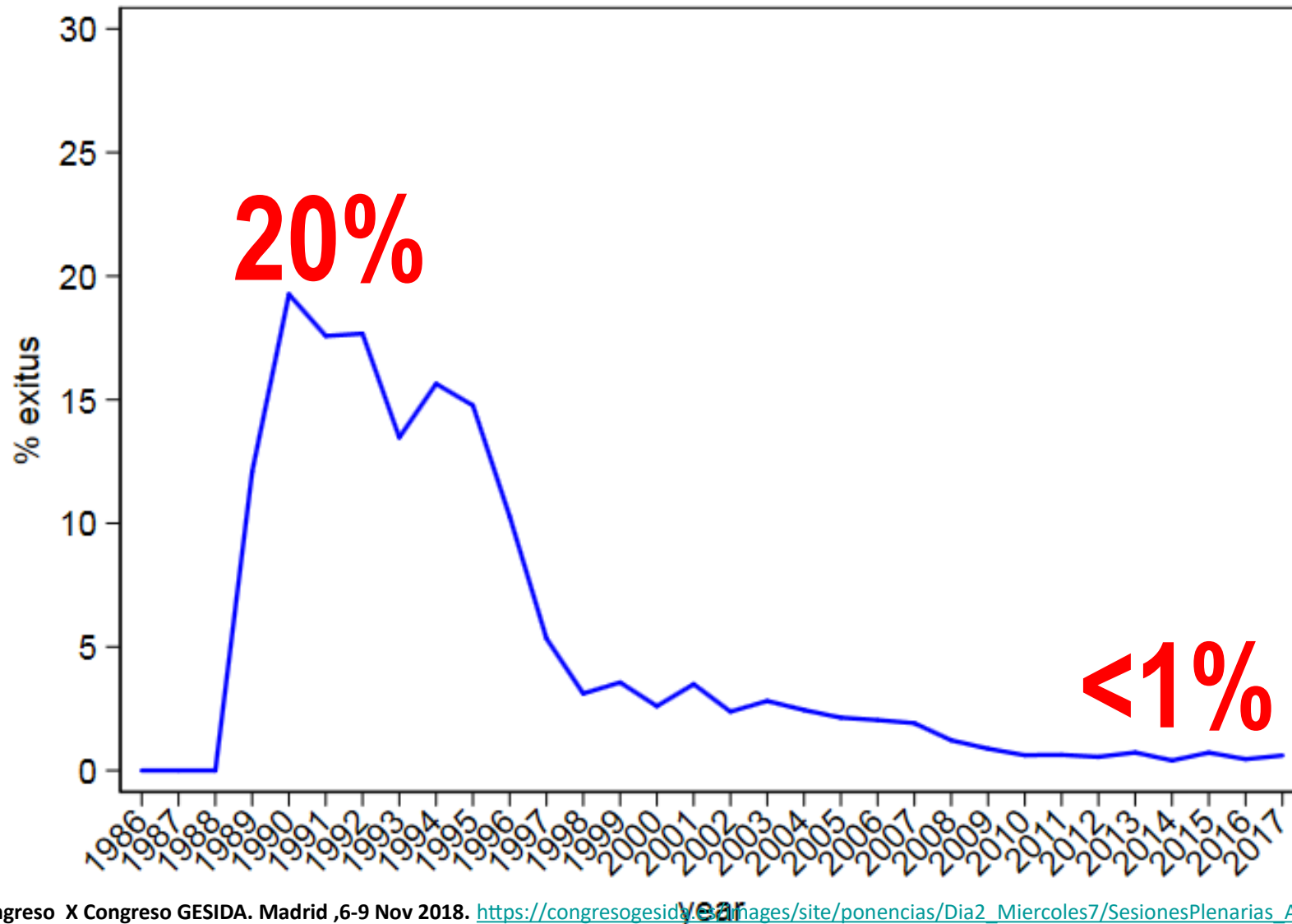
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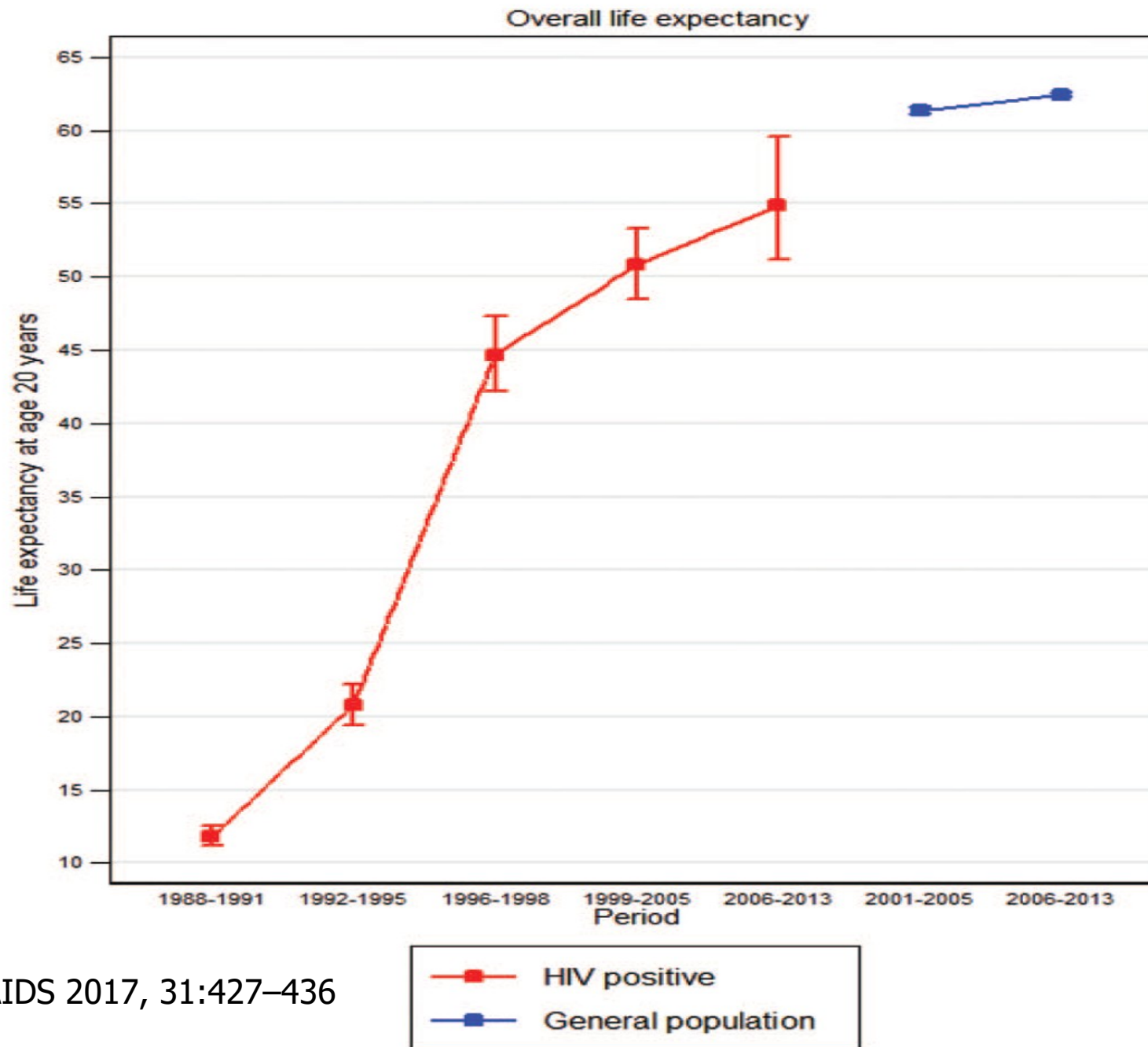
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# (<400 c/mL) on ART at the H. Clinic of Barcelona (1995-2017)



# Annual mortality rates in the cohort of HIV-infected patients of the H. Clinic of Barcelona (1986-2017)

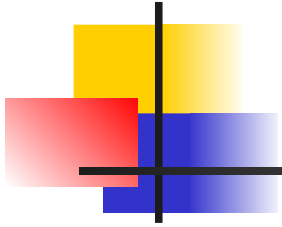




Gueller et al. AIDS 2017, 31:427-436

Fig. 2. Life expectancy at age 20 years in patients enrolled in the Swiss HIV Cohort Study, from monotherapy (1988-1991) to recent combination ART era (2006-2013), and in a matched sample from the general Swiss population (2001-2013). ART,

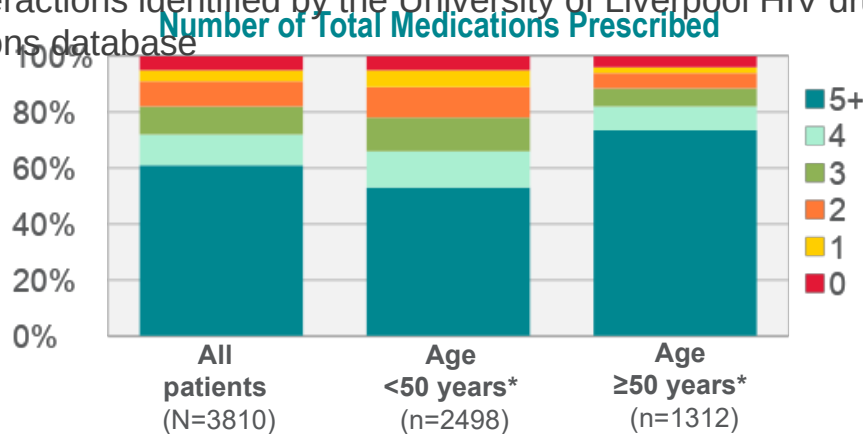
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# HIV Outpatient Study (HOPS): ARV/Non-ARV Drug Interactions

- Prospective, observational, US-based cohort of 3810 adults with HIV (2006–2010)
- Cohort data accrued longitudinally since 1993
- Describes the extent of polypharmacy and risks of potentially significant ARV/non-ARV drug interactions in people of different ages
- Drug interactions identified by the University of Liverpool HIV drug interactions database



\*Age at patient midpoint of observation

## LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY

- Concurrent medications may not have actually been taken by the patient as prescribed
- Drug interactions may be underestimated because OTC and herbal medicines not systematically quantitated and interactions between non-ARVs were not examined
- University of Liverpool HIV drug interactions database may differ from the US labeling or guidelines for the relevant products
- Did not examine relationship between clinical endpoints and possible interactions

## RESULTS

Of the patients prescribed an ARV/non-ARV combination during the 5-year period:

- **267 (7%)** had combinations that were contraindicated; **1267 (33%)** had combinations with moderate or high evidence of interaction
  - Older patients ( $\geq 50$  years) were more likely to experience one of the above
- **1494 (39%)** patients were prescribed  $\geq 5$  non-ARV medications. Of those:
  - **706 (54%)** of patients were  $\geq 50$  years
  - **788 (32%)** of patients were  $< 50$  years

# Co-morbidities in HIV patients

Traditional risk factors

## AGING with HIV

HIV



TOXICITY

Residual replication/reservoirs  
Chronic inflammation & immunoactivation  
Statins for all. Repriveve study ?

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cART for life....

But can be optimized

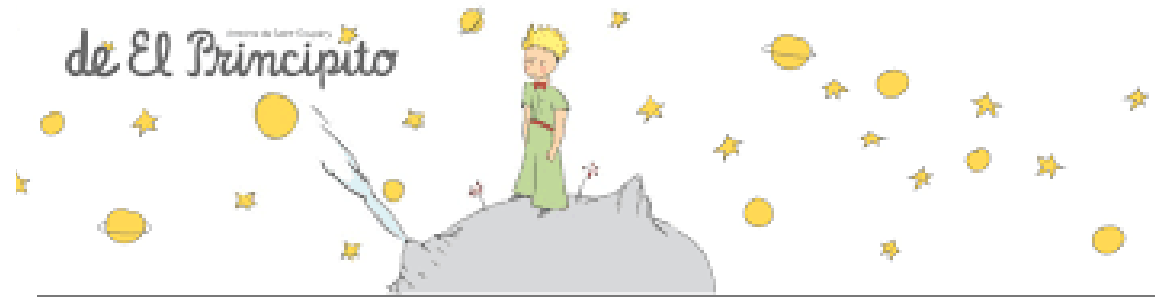




**Potentially dysfunctional trios....**



de El Principito



**David. Michelangelo Buonarroti  
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La perfección no se alcanza cuando no hay nada más que añadir, sino cuando no hay nada más que quitar.

—Antoine de Saint-Exupéry





Isla Juan Fernandez



Robinson Crusoe



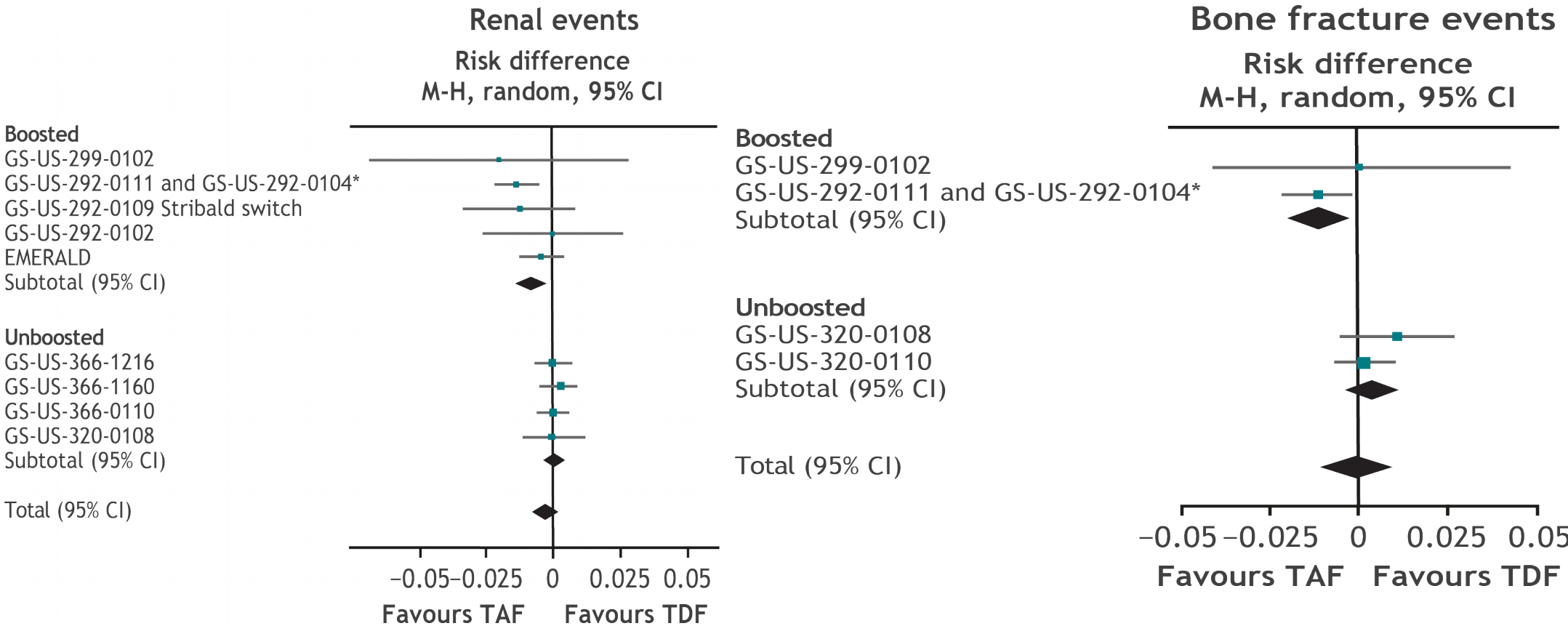
# Twenty years of boosting antiretroviral agents: where are we today?

Marta Boffito<sup>a,b</sup>, David Back<sup>c</sup> and José M. Gatell<sup>d</sup>

*AIDS* 2015, **29**:2229–2233

Boosters are responsible of a wide range of DDI's increase toxicity of TDF and are largely avoidable in 2018

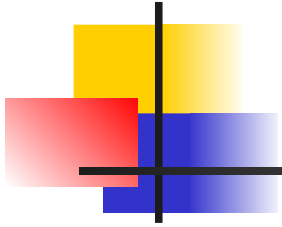
# TDF: renal events & bone fracture events



3235 PLHIV in boosted trials, 2803 PLHIV in unboosted trials

1897 PLHIV in boosted trials, 1298 PLHIV in unboosted trials

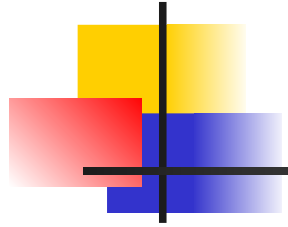
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Couples selected almost at random.  
Most likely would never work





**Believe it or not, a carefully selected couple may work iiii**





# Successful 2DR vs. 3DR in RCT

## PI/r based

### Naïve

- GARDEL (LPV/r + 3TC)
- KALEA (LPV/r + TDF)
- ANDES (DRV/r + 3TC)

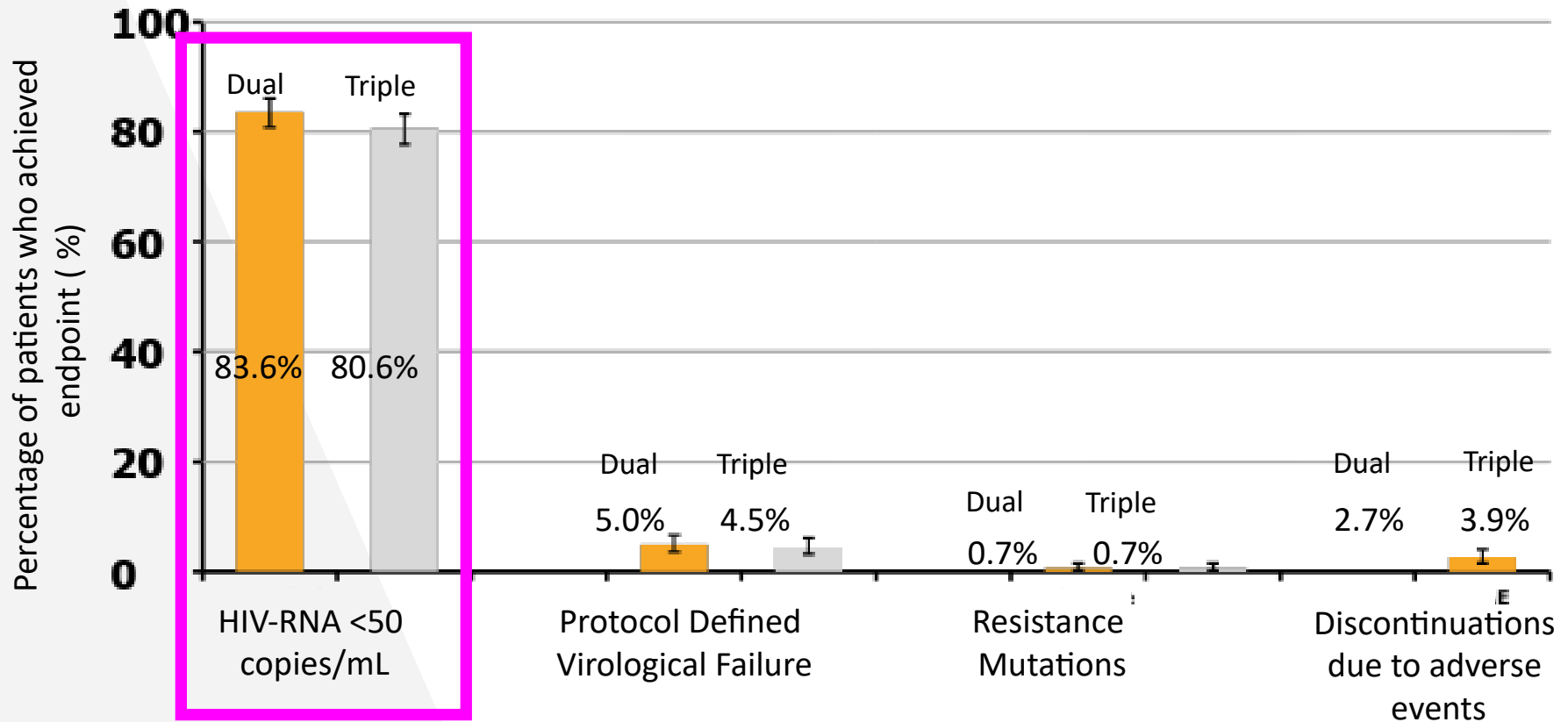
### Switching in suppressed patients

- OLE (LPV/r + 3TC)
- ATLAS-M (ATV/r + 3TC)
- SALT (ATV/r + 3TC)
- DUAL-GESIDA (DRV/r + 3TC)

# bPI-based 2DC: Trial Designs

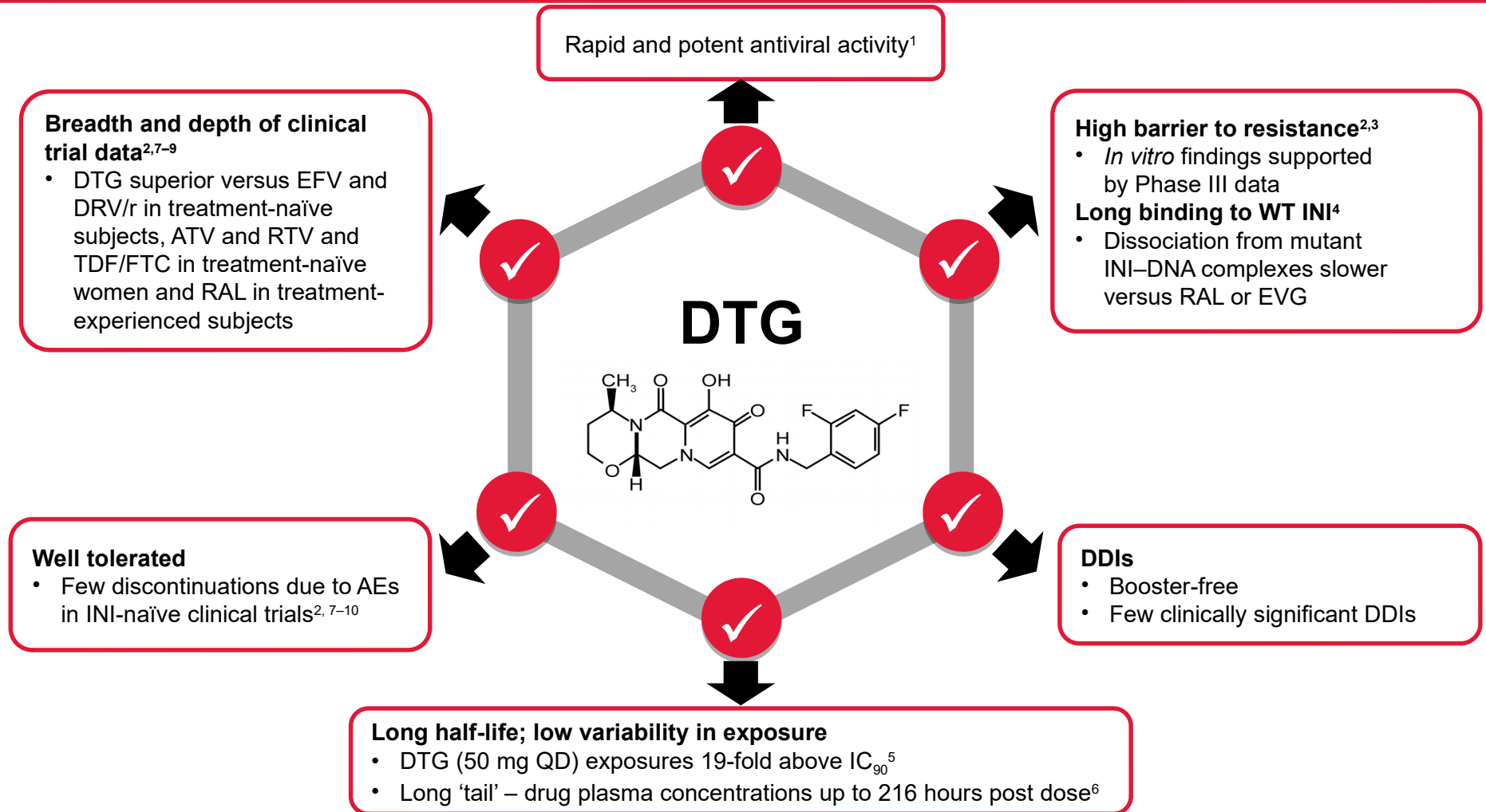
Study	Follow Up Week	Dual	Triple	Treatment History
<b>GARDEL</b> (n=306)	96	LPV/r + 3TC	LPV/r + 2 NRTI	Naïve
<b>KALEAD</b> (n=152)	24	LPV/r + TDF	LPV/r + 2 NRTI	Naïve
<b>ANDES</b> (n=145)	48	DRV/r + 3TC	DRV/r + 3TC/TDF	Naïve
<b>OLE</b> (n=250)	48	LPV/r + 3TC	LPV/r + 2 NRTI	Switch
<b>ATLAS-M</b> (n=266)	96	ATV/r + 3TC	ATV/r + 2 NRTI	Switch
<b>SALT</b> (n=267)	96	ATV/r + 3TC	ATV/r + 2 NRTI	Switch
<b>DUAL-GESIDA</b> (n=249)	48	DRV/r + 3TC	DRV/r + 2 NRTI	Switch
<b>Total</b> (n=1635)				

# bPI-based 2DC: Summary Findings



**Only few NRTI mutations in 2D and TT arms (M184V). No major PI mutations.**

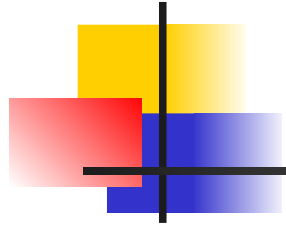
# DTG as a Core Agent to Support 2DRs



IC<sub>50</sub>, half-maximal inhibitory concentration  
WT, wild-type

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# Successful 2DR vs. 3DR in RCT

## DTG-based

### Naïve (+ 3TC)

- PADDLE (pilot single arm)
- ACTG A5353 (pilot single arm)
- **GEMINI 1+2 (phase III)**

### Switching

- **SWORD 1+2 (DTG + RPV), TANGO**
- ASPIRE (DTG + 3TC)
- ANRS 167 LAMIDOL  
(single arm DTG + 3TC)
- DOLAM

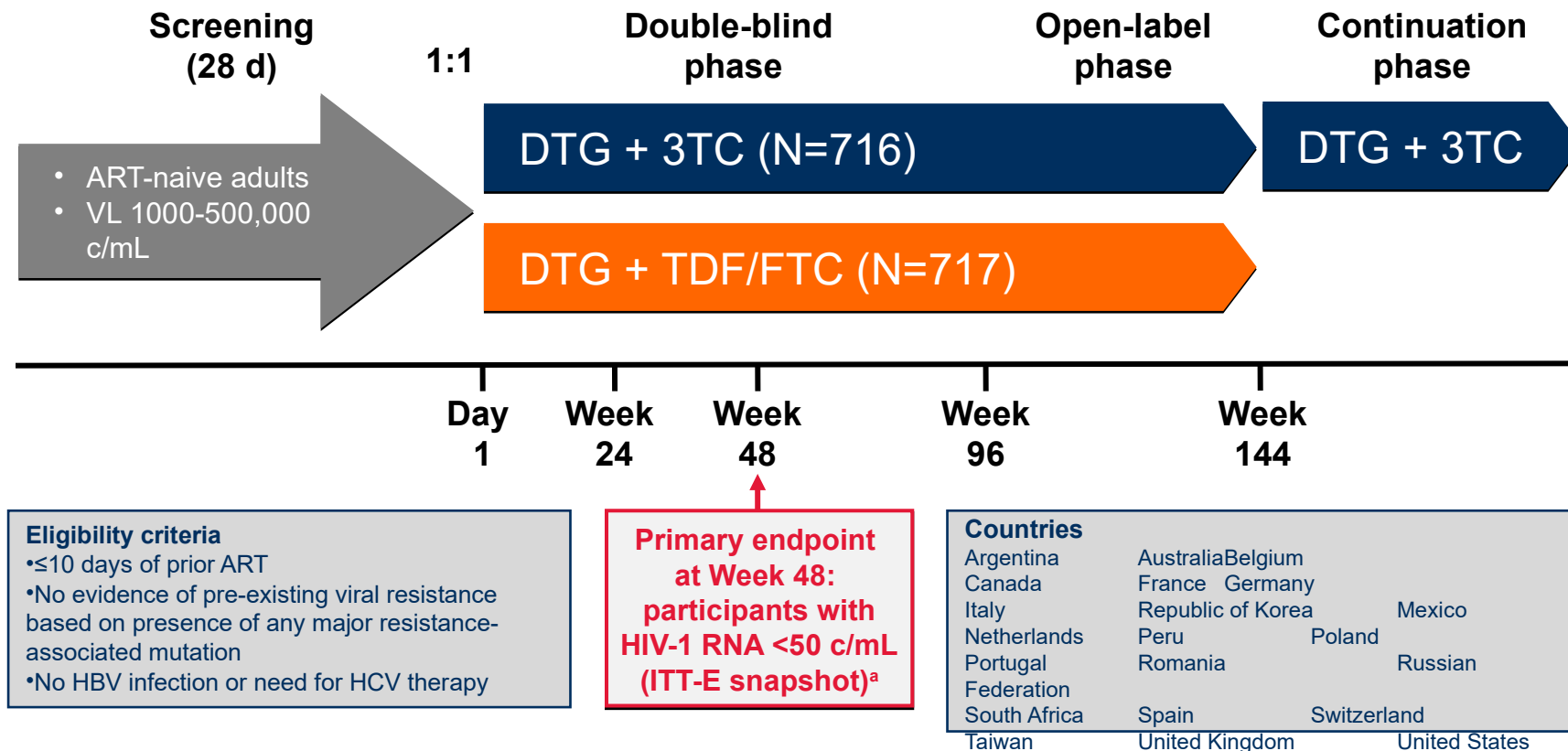
# PADDLE: Viral Suppression at Week 48-96

Patient	BL	Week 48	Week 60	Week 72	Week 84	Week 96
		HIV-1 Viral load (c/mL)				
1	10,909	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
2	10,233	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
3	<b>151,569</b>	<50	<50	<50	<b>55/&lt;50*</b>	<50
4	<b>148,370</b>	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
5	20,544	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
6	14,499	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
7	18,597	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
8	24,368	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
9	10,832	Discontinuation at Week 48 due to SAE				
10	7,978	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
11	<b>273,676</b>	<50	<50	<50	<50	<b>70/&lt;50*</b>
12	64,103	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
13	33,829	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
14	15,151	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
15	23,400	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
16	3,910	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
17	25,828	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
18	73,069	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
19	<b>106,320</b>	Discontinuation at Week 48 due to PDVF				
20	7,368	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50

BL, baseline; PDVF, protocol-defined virologic failure  
SAE, serious adverse event; SCR, screening; W, week

# GEMINI-1 and -2 Phase III Study Design

Identically designed, randomized, **double-blind**, parallel-group, multicenter, noninferiority studies



**Baseline stratification factors:** plasma HIV-1 RNA (≤100,000 c/mL vs >100,000 c/mL) CD4+ cell count (≤200 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> vs >200 cells/mm<sup>3</sup>).

<sup>a</sup>–10% noninferiority margin for individual studies.

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# Demographic and Baseline Characteristics for the Pooled GEMINI-1 and -2 Population

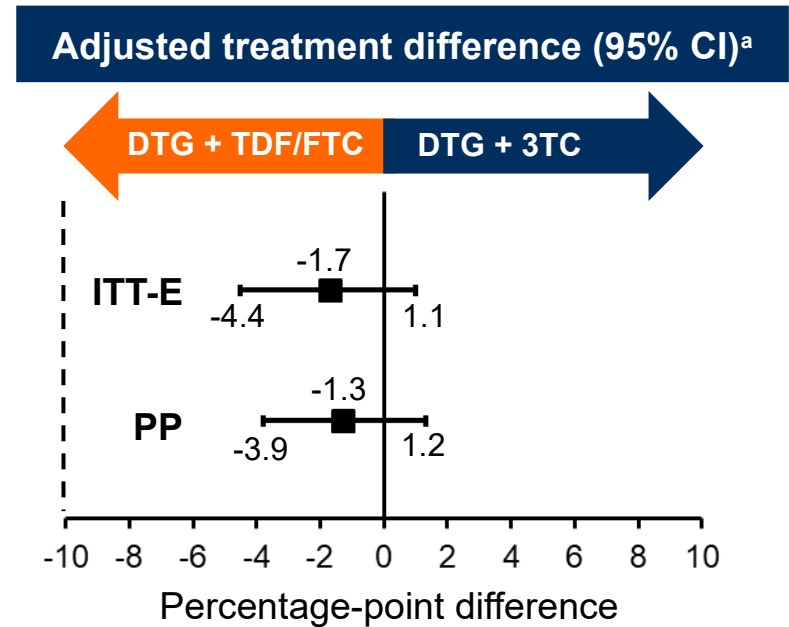
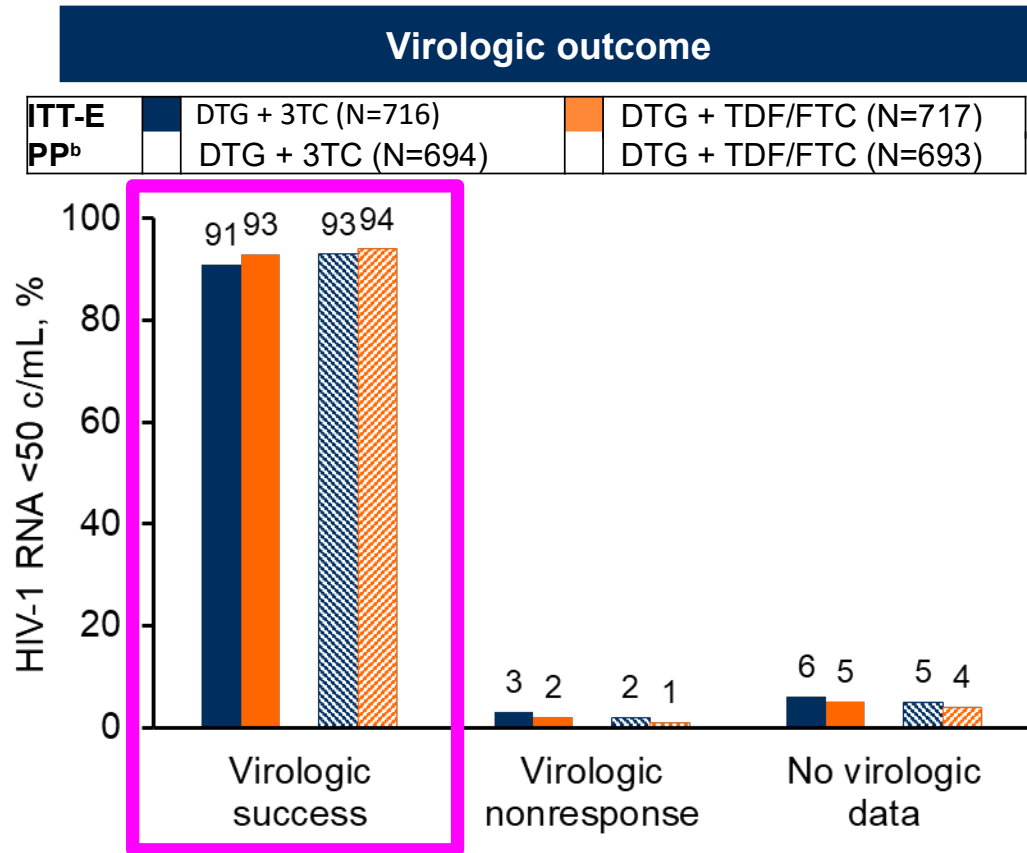


Characteristic	DTG + 3TC (N=716)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=717)
<b>Age, median (range), y</b> ≥50 y, n (%)	32.0 (18-72) 65 (9)	33.0 (18-70) 80 (11)
<b>Female, n (%)</b>	113 (16)	98 (14)
<b>Race, n (%)</b>		
African American/African heritage	99 (14)	76 (11)
Asian	71 (10)	72 (10)
White	480 (67)	497 (69)
Other	66 (9)	72 (10)
<b>Ethnicity, n (%)</b>		
Hispanic or Latino	215 (30)	232 (32)
Not Hispanic or Latino	501 (70)	485 (68)
<b>HIV-1 RNA, median (range), log<sub>10</sub> c/mL</b> ≤100,000 >100,000 <sup>a</sup>	4.43 (1.59-6.27) 576 (80) 140 (20)	4.46 (2.11-6.37) 564 (79) 153 (21)
<b>CD4+ cell count, median (range), cells/mm<sup>3</sup></b> >200 ≤200	427.0 (19-1399) 653 (91) 63 (9)	438.0 (19-1497) 662 (92) 55 (8)
<sup>a</sup> 2% of participants in each arm had baseline HIV-1 RNA >500,000 c/mL		

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# Pooled Snapshot Outcomes at Week 48: ITT-E and Per Protocol Populations



DTG + 3TC is **non-inferior** to DTG + TDF/FTC with respect to proportion <50 c/mL at Week 48 (snapshot, ITT-E population) in both studies

<sup>a</sup>Based on Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel stratified analysis adjusting for the following baseline stratification factors: plasma HIV-1 RNA ( $\leq 100,000$  c/mL vs  $> 100,000$  c/mL), CD4+ cell count ( $\leq 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> vs  $> 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>), and study (GEMINI-1 vs GEMINI-2). <sup>b</sup>PP, per protocol: population consisted of participants in the ITT-E population except for significant protocol violators, which could potentially affect efficacy outcomes as determined by the medical monitor prior to database lock.

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# GEMINI-1 and -2: Adverse Events

n (%)	DTG + 3TC (N=716)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=717)
Any AE	543 (76)	579 (81)
AE occurring in ≥5% of subjects in either group		
Headache	71 (10)	75 (10)
Diarrhoea	68 (9)	77 (11)
Nasopharyngitis	55 (8)	78 (11)
Upper RTI	56 (8)	44 (6)
Nausea	27 (4)	53 (7)
Insomnia	27 (4)	45 (6)
Pharyngitis	36 (5)	32 (4)
Back pain	35 (5)	31 (4)
Drug-related AE	126 (18)	169 (24)
Grade 2-4 AE occurring in ≥1% of subjects	42 (6)	47 (7)
Headache	8 (1)	8 (1)
AE leading to withdrawal from the study	15 (2)	16 (2)
Neuropsychiatric AEs leading to withdrawal	6 (<1)	4 (<1)
Any serious AE*	50 (7)	55 (8)

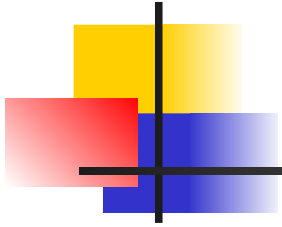
Overall safety and tolerability profile at Week 48 was comparable between the two regimens. Fewer drug-related AEs were observed with DTG + 3TC

Pooled ITT-E Population

\*2 deaths (acute myocardial infarction, n=1; Burkitt's lymphoma, n=1) in the GEMINI-2 study; both were in the DTG + 3TC group and were considered unrelated to the study drug regimen

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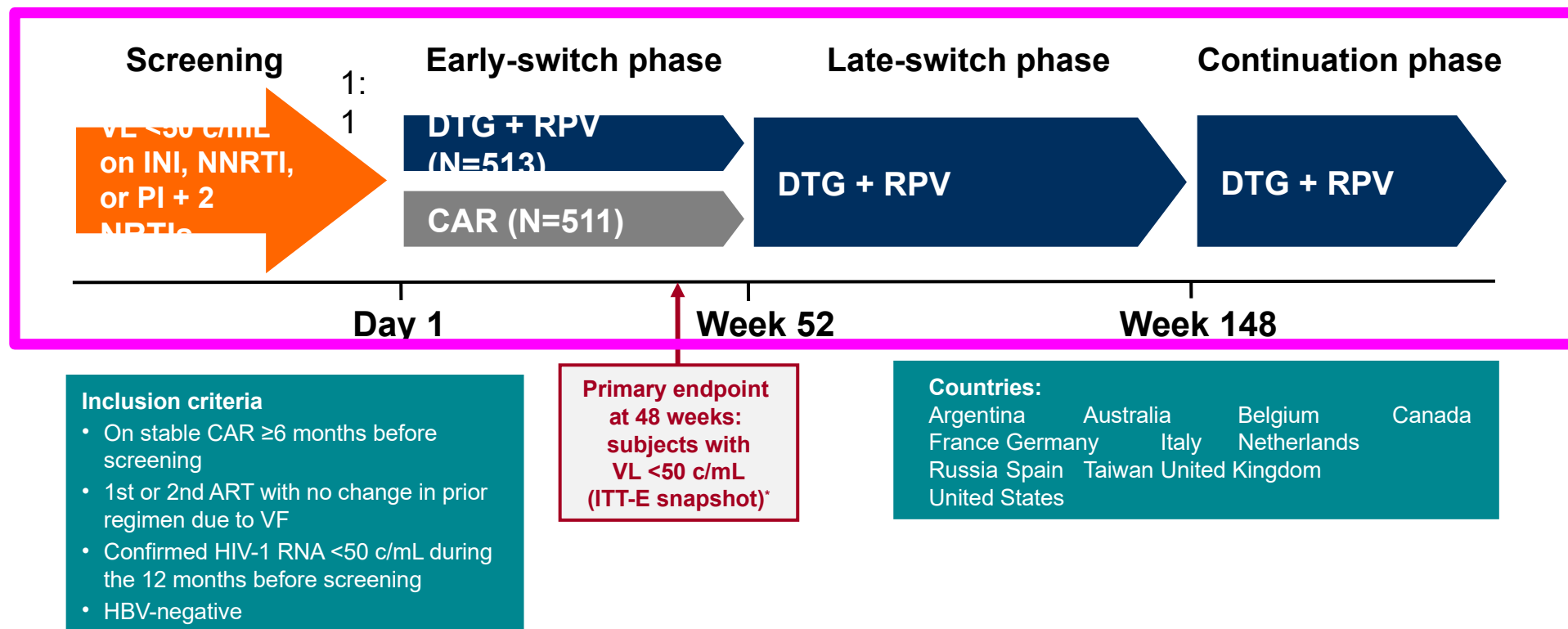
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### Switching (+ RPV or 3TC)

- ASPIRE ( + 3TC)
- ANRS 167 LAMIDOL (+3TC; pilot single arm)
- DOLAM (+3TC; pilot)
- **SWORD 1+2 (+ RPV; phase III)**
- **TANGO, SALSA (+3TC; phase III ongoing)**

# SWORD-1 and -2: Phase III Study Design

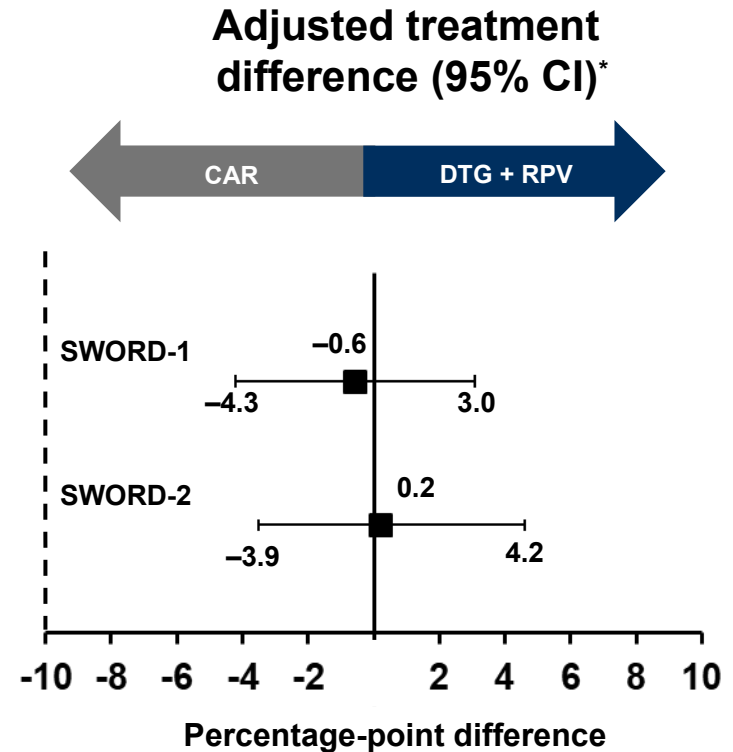
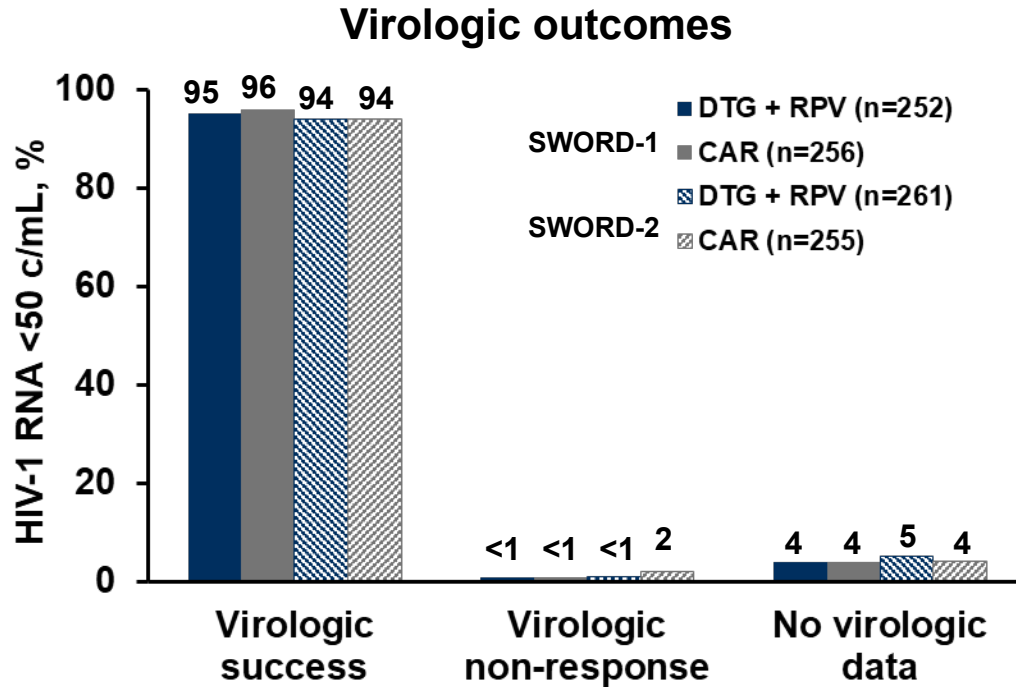
Identically designed, randomised, multicentre, **open-label**, parallel-group, non-inferiority studies



\*8% non-inferiority margin for pooled data. -10% non-inferiority margin for individual studies

HBV, hepatitis B virus; ITT(-E), intent to treat (- exposed); NRTI, nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor

# SWORD-1 and -2: Snapshot Outcomes at Week 48



DTG + RPV is **non-inferior** to CAR with respect to snapshot in the ITT-E population (<50 c/mL) at Week 48 in both studies

\*Adjusted for age and baseline third agent

# SWORD-1 and -2: Adverse Events Leading to Withdrawal at Week 48



	DTG + RPV (n=513) n (%)	CAR (n=511) n (%)
AEs leading to withdrawal from the study*	17 (3)	3 (1)
Psychiatric disorders	7 (1)	1 (<1)
Gastrointestinal disorders	7 (1)	0
Neoplasms (benign, malignant, or unspecified)	2 (<1) <sup>†</sup>	2 (<1)
Nervous system disorders	1 (<1)	0
Hepatobiliary disorders	1 (<1)	0
Respiratory, thoracic, or mediastinal disorders	1 (<1)	0

**DTG + RPV safety profile was consistent with the respective labels of its components**

\*A subject might have had more than one adverse event that led to withdrawal;

<sup>†</sup>Llibre JM, et al. Lancet. 2018 Erratum: pii: S0140-6736(18)30200-9  
Data pooled across SWORD-1 and -2

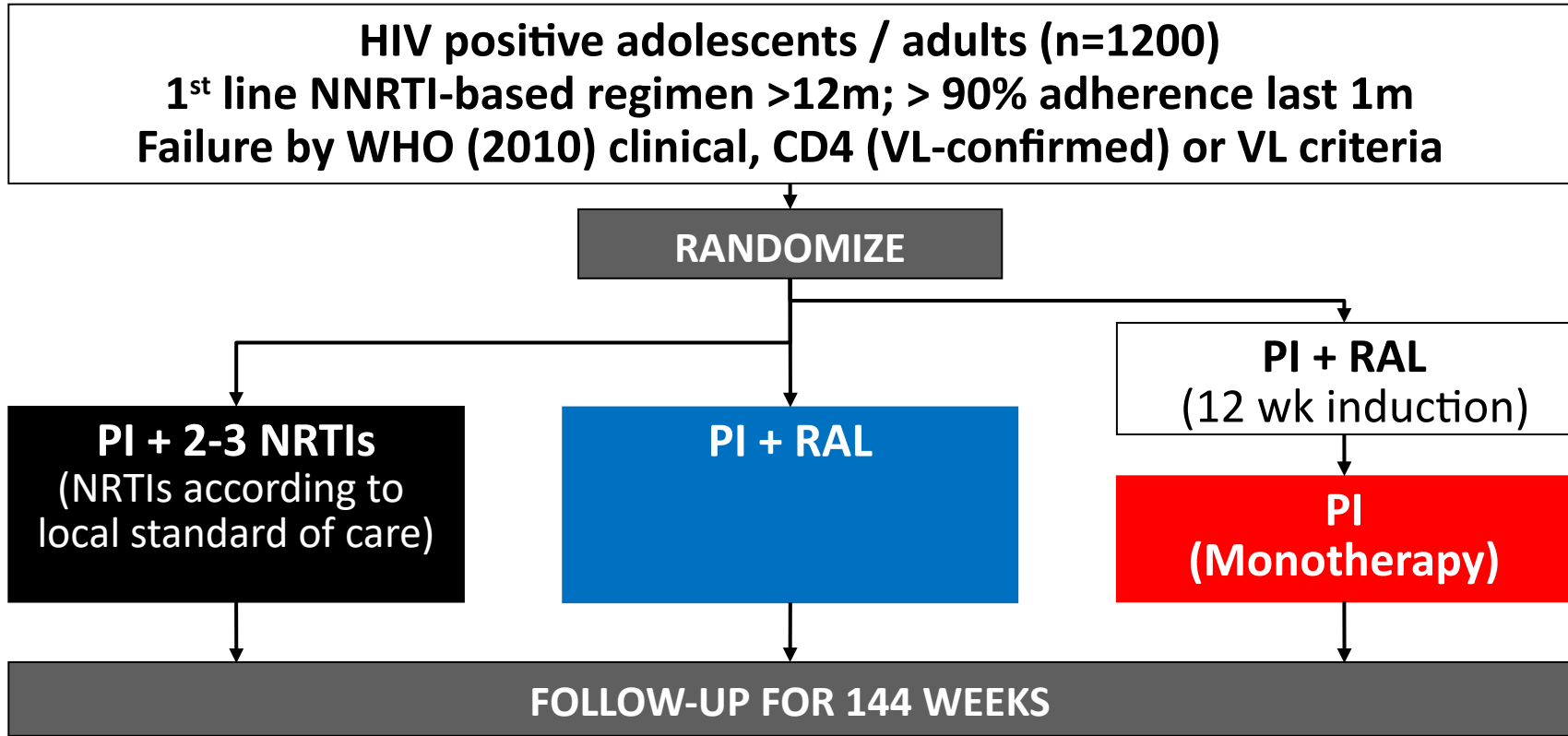


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# EARNEST Trial design



Primary outcome at week 96:

**Good HIV disease control** – defined as all of:

- Alive and no new WHO4 events from 0-96 weeks AND
- CD4 cell count > 250 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> at 96 weeks AND
- VL < 10,000 c/ml OR > 10,000 c/ml without PI res. mutations at 96 weeks

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## 7. Reasonable concerns to be addressed

- Longer follow-up ( $\geq 2$  years)
- Selection of resistance mutations in failing patients
- Real life data

# PADDLE: Efficacy to Week 96

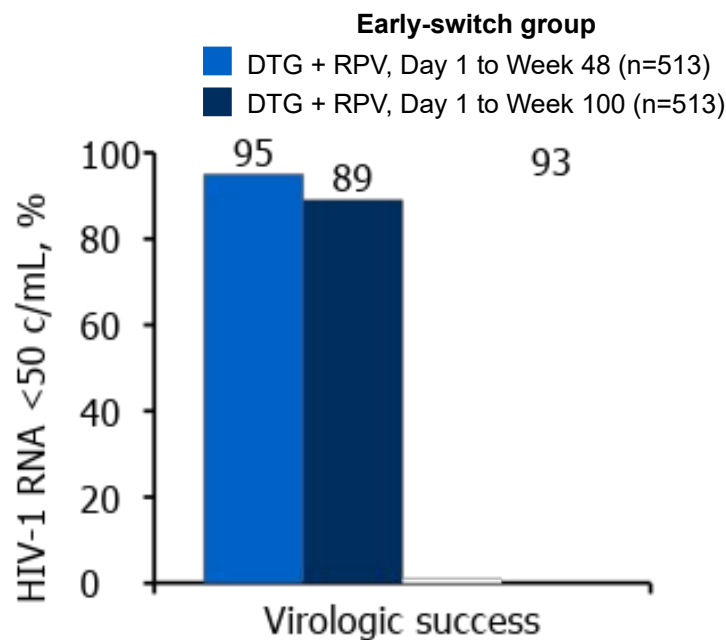
- Eighteen patients completed 48 weeks and were included in the extension phase. All patients completed week 96, 100% maintained plasma HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL
- No new VFs, AIDS defining illnesses, or SAEs (related/possibly related to study drugs) were observed
- No treatment discontinuations were reported through the extension phase. Two Grade 3 laboratory abnormalities were reported (high cholesterol and proteinuria), but were considered unrelated to study drug

Patient	BL	Week 48	Week 60	Week 72	Week 84	Week 96
		HIV-1 Viral load (c/mL)				
1	10,909	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
2	10,233	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
3	<b>151,569</b>	<50	<50	<50	<b>55/&lt;50*</b>	<50
4	<b>148,370</b>	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
5	20,544	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
6	14,499	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
7	18,597	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
8	24,368	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
9	10,832	Discontinuation at Week 48 due to SAE				
10	7,978	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
11	<b>273,676</b>	<50	<50	<50	<50	<b>70/&lt;50*</b>
12	64,103	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
13	33,829	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
14	15,151	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
15	23,400	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
16	3,910	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
17	25,828	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
18	73,069	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50
19	<b>106,320</b>	Discontinuation at Week 48 due to PDVF				
20	7,368	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50

\*Two patients required retest of viral load due to blips. VL retests were <50 c/mL

# Virologic Efficacy

- Through 100 weeks of treatment, DTG + RPV continued to be efficacious in the early-switch group
  - Virologic efficacy in the late-switch group at Week 100 was similar to that of the early-switch group at Week 48



n, %	Early-switch group		group
	DTG + RPV Week 48	DTG + RPV Week 100	DTG + RPV Week 100
<b>Virologic success</b>	486 (95)	456 (89)	
<b>Virologic nonresponse</b>	3 (<1)	13 (3)	10 (2)
Data in window, not <50 c/mL	0	5 (<1)	3 (<1)
Discontinued for lack of efficacy	2 (<1)	7 (1)	3 (<1)
Discontinued while not <50 c/mL	1 (<1)	1 (<1)	0
Change in ART	0	0	4 (<1)
<b>No virologic data</b>	24 (5)	44 (9)	23 (5)
Discontinued because of AE or death	17 (3)	27 (5)	11 (2)
Discontinued for other reasons <sup>a</sup>	7 (1)	17 (3)	9 (2)
Missing data during window but on study	0	0	3 (<1)

<sup>a</sup>Other reasons for discontinuation while treated with DTG + RPV were lost to follow-up, n=3; protocol deviation, n=5 (prohibited medication use, n=3; pregnancy, n=2); withdrawal of consent, n=18 (participant relocated, n=5; travel burden, n=2; other, n=9); and investigator discretion, n=2.

Llibre et al. *Lancet*. 2018;391:839-849.

Aboud et al. AIDS 2018; Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Poster THPEB047.

# DTG + RPV: Low Rates of Confirmed Virologic Withdrawal Through Week 100



Week of failure	Previous regimen	Viral loads, copies/mL <sup>b</sup>	Resistance mutations <sup>a</sup>		Fold change
			Baseline (GenoSure <sup>c</sup> )	Confirmed virologic withdrawal	
Week 24	EFV/TDF/FTC	<u>88</u> ; 466	NNRTI: none INSTI: G193E	NNRTI: none INSTI: G193E	DTG, 1.02
Week 36	EFV/TDF/FTC	<u>1,059,771</u> ; 1018; <50	NNRTI: none INSTI: none	NNRTI: K101K/E INSTI: none	RPV, 1.21
Week 64 <sup>d</sup>	DTG/ABC/3TC	<u>833</u> ; 1174; <50	NNRTI: none INSTI: N155N/H, G163G/ R	INSTI resistance test failed	—————
Week 76 <sup>d</sup>	ATV, ABC/3TC	<u>79</u> ; 162; 217	—————	Test not performed <sup>e</sup>	—————
Week 88	DTG/ABC/3TC	<u>278</u> ; 2571; 55	NNRTI: none INSTI: none	NNRTI: E138E/A INSTI: none	RPV, 1.61 DTG, 0.72
Week 88	RPV/TDF/FTC	<u>147</u> ; 289	—————	Test not performed <sup>e</sup>	—————
Week 100	EFV/TDF/FTC	<u>651</u> ; 1105; 300	NNRTI: K101E, E138A INSTI: G193E	NNRTI: K101E, E138A, M230M/L INSTI resistance test failed	RPV, 31

<sup>a</sup>Shading represents participants with treatment-emergent NNRTI resistance-associated mutations. Underlined viral load when participants met virologic withdrawal. <sup>b</sup>HIV-1 RNA copies/mL. <sup>c</sup>Baseline resistance testing was performed on integrated HIV-1 proviral DNA using GenoSure Archive<sup>®</sup> assay (Mondovio Biosciences, South San Francisco, CA). On-study resistance testing used standard plasma-based genotypic and phenotypic resistance testing. <sup>d</sup>Participants in the late-switch group. <sup>e</sup>Resistance testing not performed because of low viral load.

Aboud et al. AIDS 2018; Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Poster THPEB047.

# Confirmed Virologic Withdrawals Through Week 48: ITT-E Population



- Low rates of virologic withdrawals were observed at Week 48

	GEMINI 1		GEMINI 2		Pooled	
Variable, n (%)	DTG + 3TC (N=356)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=358)	DTG + 3TC (N=360)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=359)	DTG + 3TC (N=716)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=717)
<b>CVW</b>	4 (1)	2 (<1)	2 (<1)	2 (<1)	6 (<1)	4 (<1)
<b>Treatment-emergent resistance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- No treatment-emergent INSTI mutations or NRTI mutations were observed among participants who met CVW (confirmed virologic failure) criteria

Confirmed virologic withdrawal criteria is defined as a second and consecutive HIV-1 RNA value meeting virologic non-response or rebound. Virologic non-response is defined as either a decrease in plasma HIV-1 RNA of less than 1 log<sub>10</sub> c/mL by Week 12 with subsequent confirmation unless plasma HIV-1 RNA is <200 c/mL, or confirmed plasma HIV-1 RNA levels ≥200 c/mL on or after Week 24. Virologic rebound is defined as confirmed rebound in plasma HIV-1 RNA levels to ≥200 c/mL after prior confirmed suppression to <200 c/mL.

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# Resistance: DTG + 3TC

	Overall N	Study type	Resistance in DTG + 3TC arm, n
<b>Treatment-naïve</b>			
ACTG A5353 <sup>1</sup>	<b>120</b>	Phase II, single-arm, pilot	<b>1 (M184V + R263R/K)</b>
PADDLE <sup>2</sup>	<b>20</b>	Single-arm pilot	<b>0</b>
GEMINI I and II <sup>3</sup>	<b>1,433</b>	Phase III, randomised, double-blind	<b>0</b>
<b>Suppressed switch</b>			
LAMIDOL <sup>4</sup>	<b>104</b>	Open-label, single-arm	<b>1 (L74V/L, M230I, V106I)</b>
ASPIRE <sup>5</sup>	<b>89</b>	Open-label, randomised	<b>0</b>
<b>Real world</b>			
Maggiolo <sup>6</sup>	<b>94</b>	Prospective cohort	<b>0</b>

NA, not available; NR, not reported

1. Taiwo B, et al. CID 2018;66:1689–97; 2. Cahn P, et al. J Int AIDS Soc 2017;20:216–78; 3. Cahn et al. AIDS 2018. Oral TUAB0106LB  
4. Joly V, et al. EACS 2017. Poster PE9/11; 5. Taiwo B, et al. CID 2018;66:1794–7; 6.. Maggiolo F, et al. BMC Infect Dis 2017;17:215

# Resistance: DTG + 3TC at HIV Glasgow 2018

	Overall I N	Abstract	Study type	Resistance in DTG + 3TC arm, n
<b>Treatment-naïve</b>				
ACTG A5353 <sup>1</sup>	<b>120</b>	O213	Pilot	<b><i>Already reported</i></b>
GEMINI I and II <sup>2</sup>	<b>1,433</b>	P021	RCT	<b>0</b>
<b>Suppressed switch</b>				
ASPIRE <sup>3</sup>	<b>89</b>	O145	RCT	<b>0</b>
<b>Real world</b>				
Maggiolo et al. <sup>5</sup>	<b>218</b>	P104	Prospective, multi-centre, cohort	<b><i>Not reported</i></b>

\*Mutations that do not limit INI activity

1. Gillman J, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow. Abstract O213; 2. Orkin C, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow 2018. Abstract P021; 3. Taiwo B, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow 2018. Oral 145; 4. Hidalgo-Tenorio C, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow 2018. Abstract P094; 5. Maggiolo F, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow 2018. Poster 104; 6. Restelli S, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow 2018. Abstract P098

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## 8. Unproven/misleading perceptions?

Extreme phenotypes (VL, CD4's)

Subclinical advantages (bone, renal biomarkers)

Blips without criteria of CVF or PDVF

Plasma viral load decay

Efficacy using ultrasensitive plasma VL

Reservoir size

Anatomical/physiological compartments

Lymphatic tissue

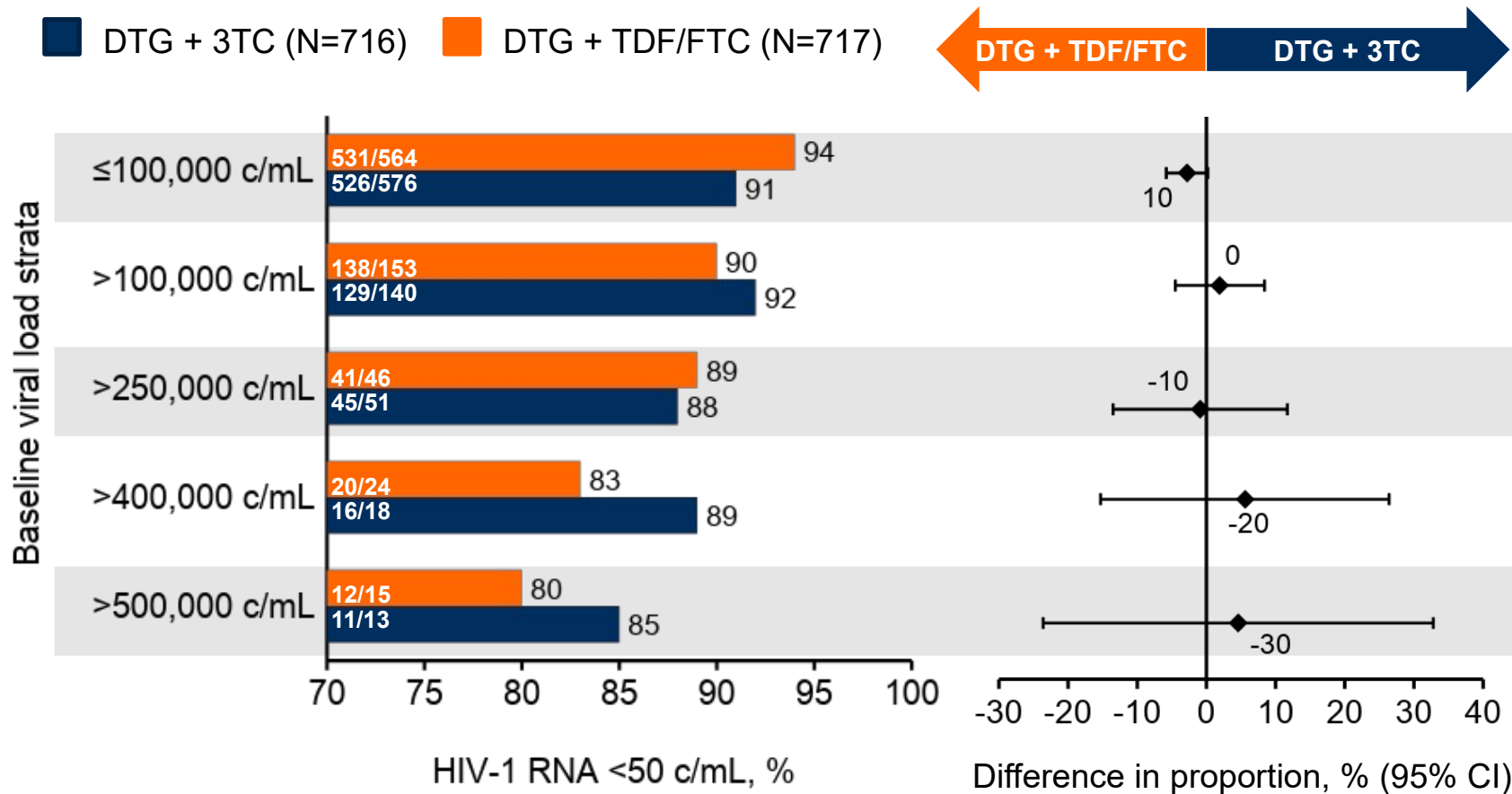
Genital (anal, vaginal) secretions

CNS

Chronic inflammation/immunoactivation

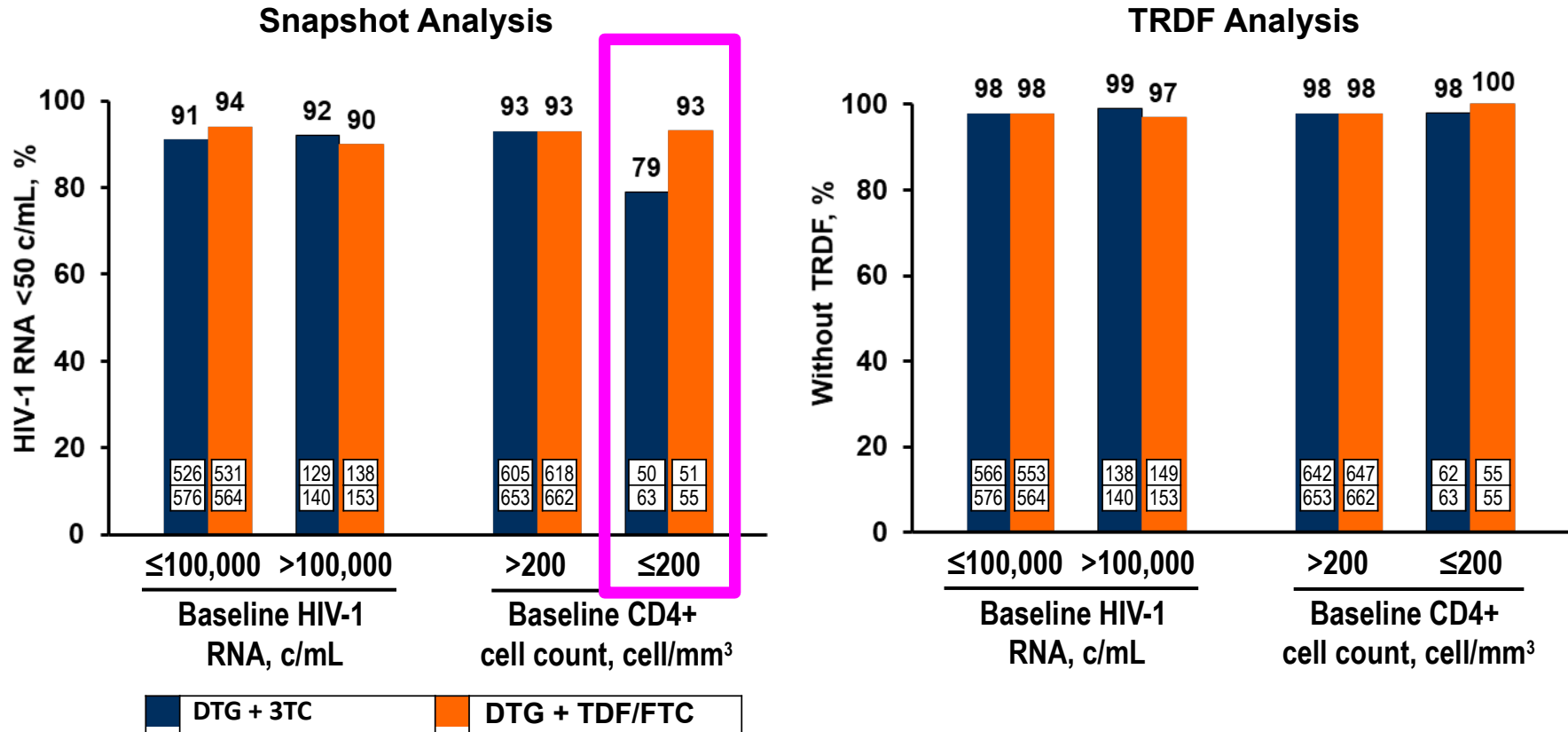
Test & treat (without or before receiving blood analysis)

# Proportion of Participants With Plasma HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL at Week 48 (Snapshot Analysis) by Baseline Plasma HIV-1 RNA



Eron et al. HIV DART and Emerging Viruses 2018; Miami, FL. Slides 7.

# Pooled Outcomes at Week 48 Stratified by Baseline HIV-1 RNA and CD4+ Cell Count: Snapshot and TRDF Analysis



- 2% of participants in each arm had baseline HIV-1 RNA >500,000 c/mL. **Treatment related discontinuation = failure (TRDF)** population accounts for confirmed virologic withdrawal (CVW), withdrawal due to lack of efficacy, withdrawal due to treatment-related AE, and participants who met protocol-defined stopping criteria. **DTG + 3TC CD4 <200 Snapshot non-response (n=13): 1 CVW, 3 with VL >50 in window (2 of 3 re-suppressed), 2 discontinued due to AE (TB, Chagas disease), 2 protocol violations, 2 lost to follow-up, 1 withdrew consent, 1 withdrew to start HCV treatment, 1 change in ART (incarcerated).** **DTG + TDF/FTC < 200 Snapshot non-response (n=4):** 1 investigator discretion, 1 withdrew consent, 1 lost to follow-up, 1 VL >50 (re-suppressed).

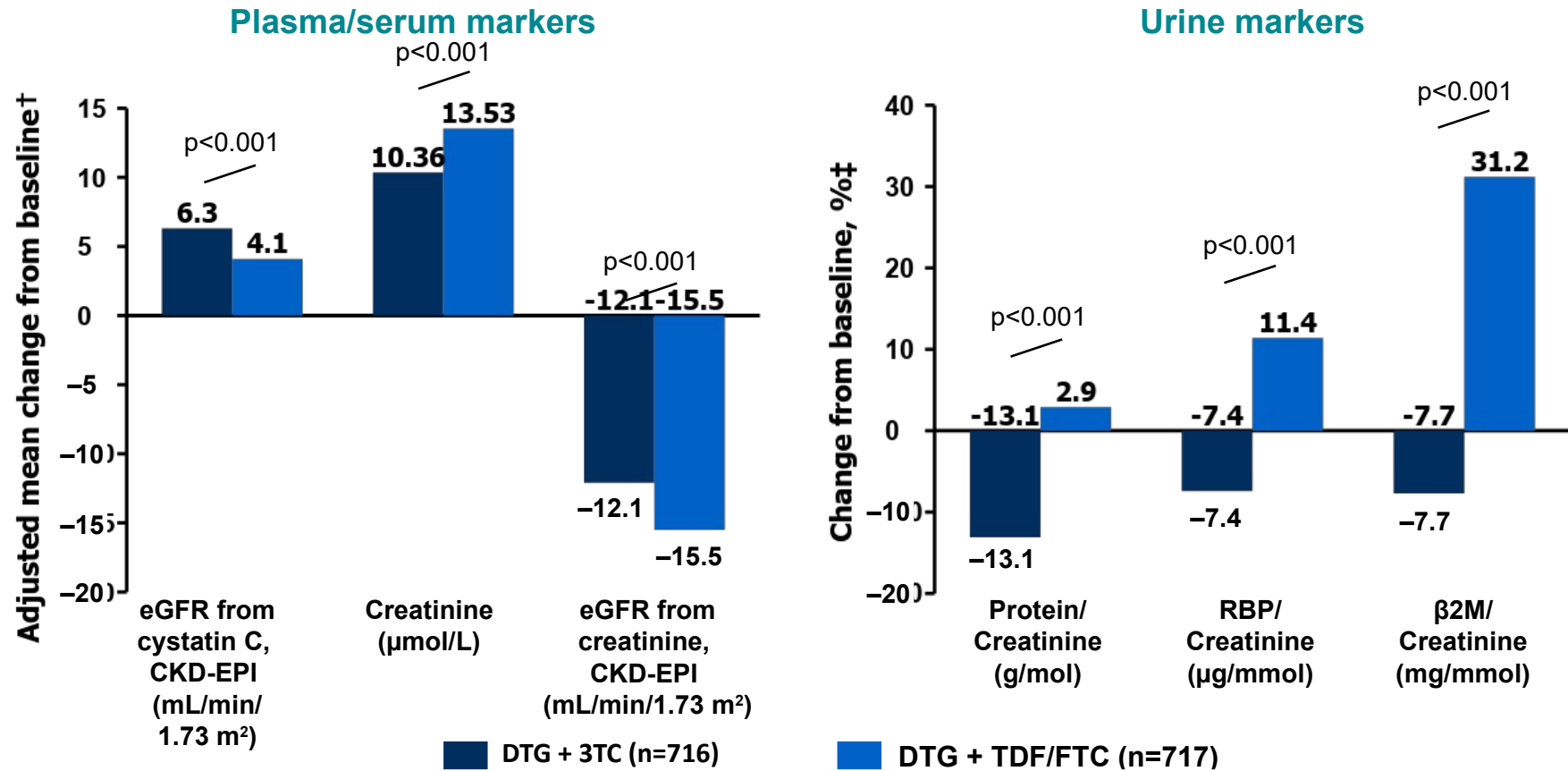
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# Reasons for snapshot failure in baseline CD4<200 copies/mL subgroup

DTG + 3TC (n=13/63)	DTG + TDF/FTC (n=4/55)
1 CVW	1 investigator discretion
3 with VL >50 in window (2 of 3 re-suppressed)	1 withdrew consent
2 discontinued due to AE (TB, Chagas disease)	1 lost to follow-up
2 protocol violations	1 VL >50 (re-suppressed)
2 lost to follow-up	
1 withdrew consent	
1 withdrew to start HCV treatment	
1 change in ART (incarcerated)	

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# GEMINI-1 and -2: Change in Renal Biomarkers at Week 48



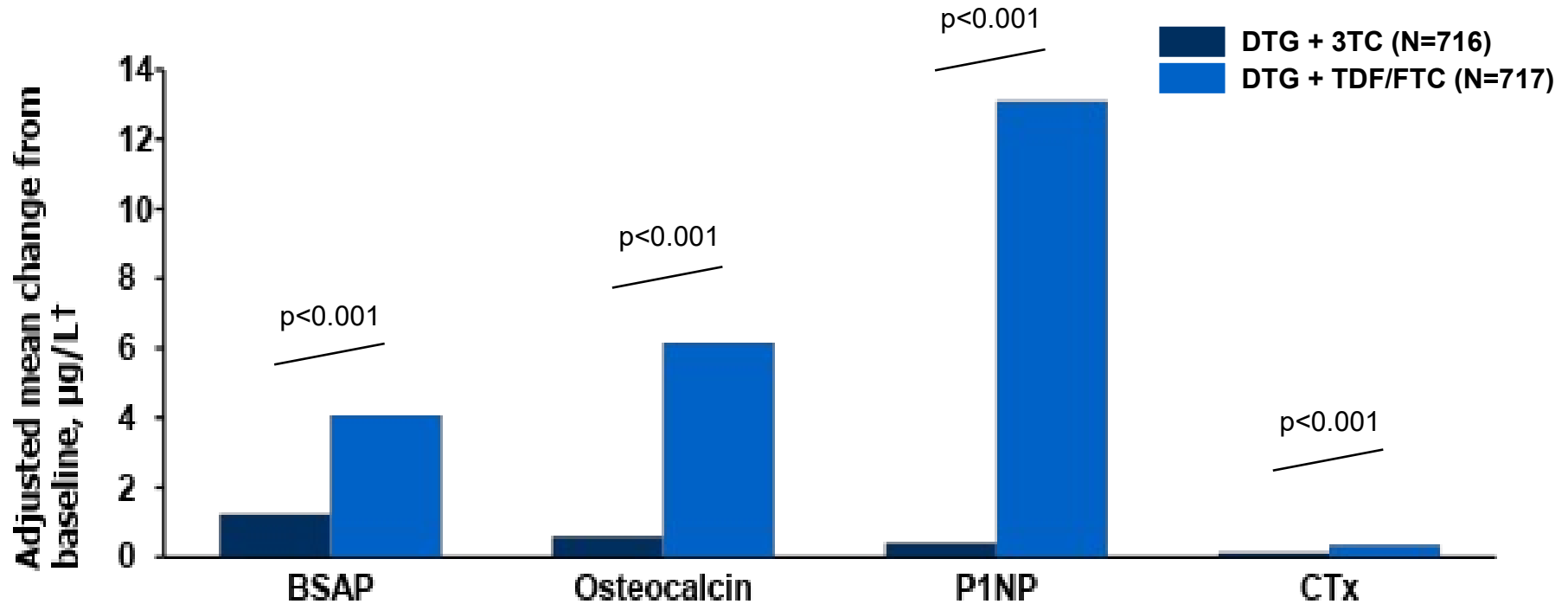
Change in renal biomarkers from baseline to Week 48 significantly favoured DTG + 3TC

Pooled ITT-E Population

†Estimated mean change from baseline at Week 48 in each arm calculated from ANCOVA model adjusting for: study, treatment, baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA, baseline CD4+ cell count, age, sex, race, presence of diabetes mellitus, presence of hypertension, and baseline biomarker value. Multiple imputed dataset (missing at random); ‡Estimated from geometric mean ratio for baseline and Week 48



# GEMINI-1 and -2: Change in Serum Bone Markers at Week 48

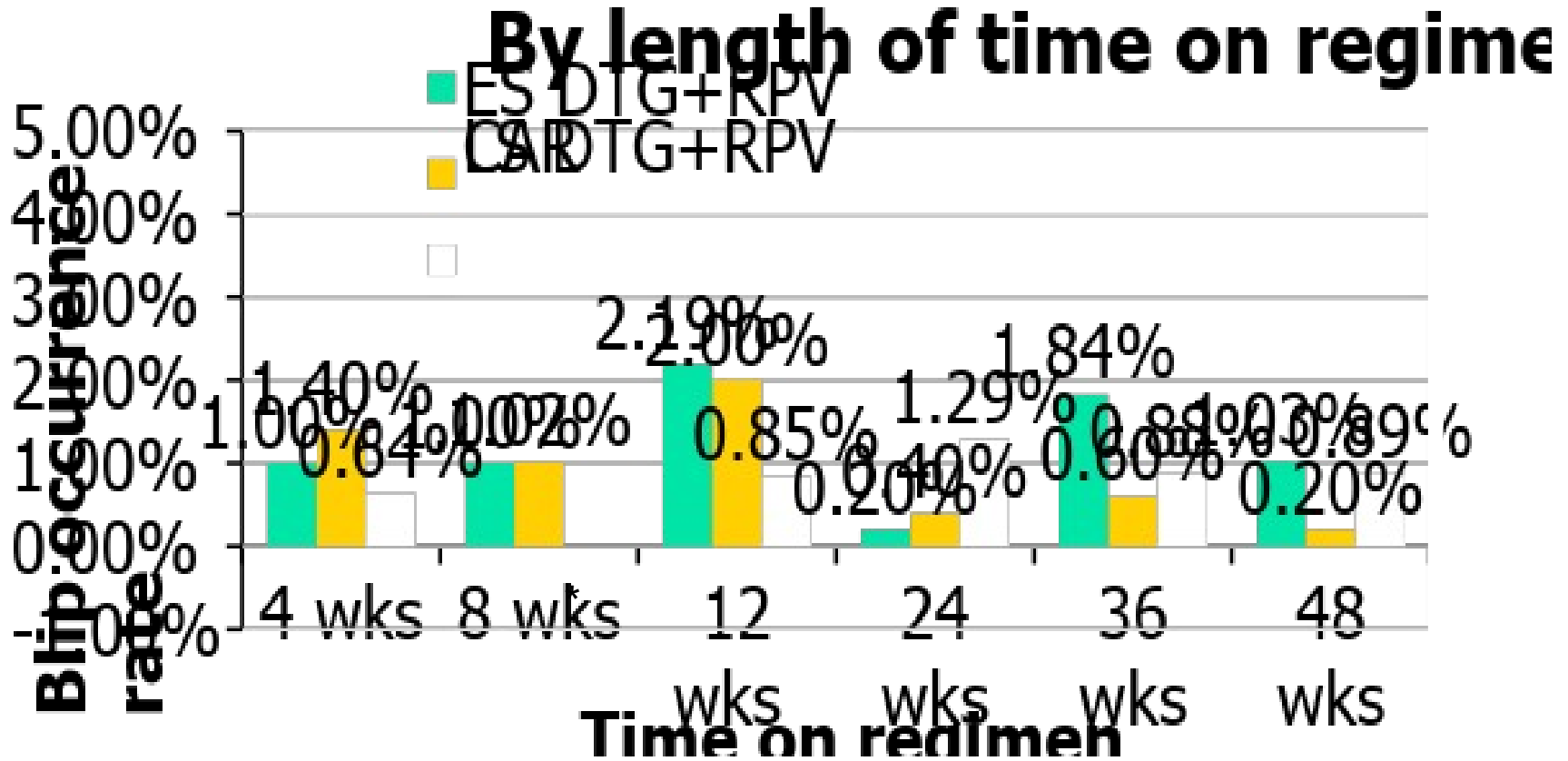


Change in bone biomarkers from baseline to Week 48 significantly favoured DTG + 3TC

Pooled ITT-E Population

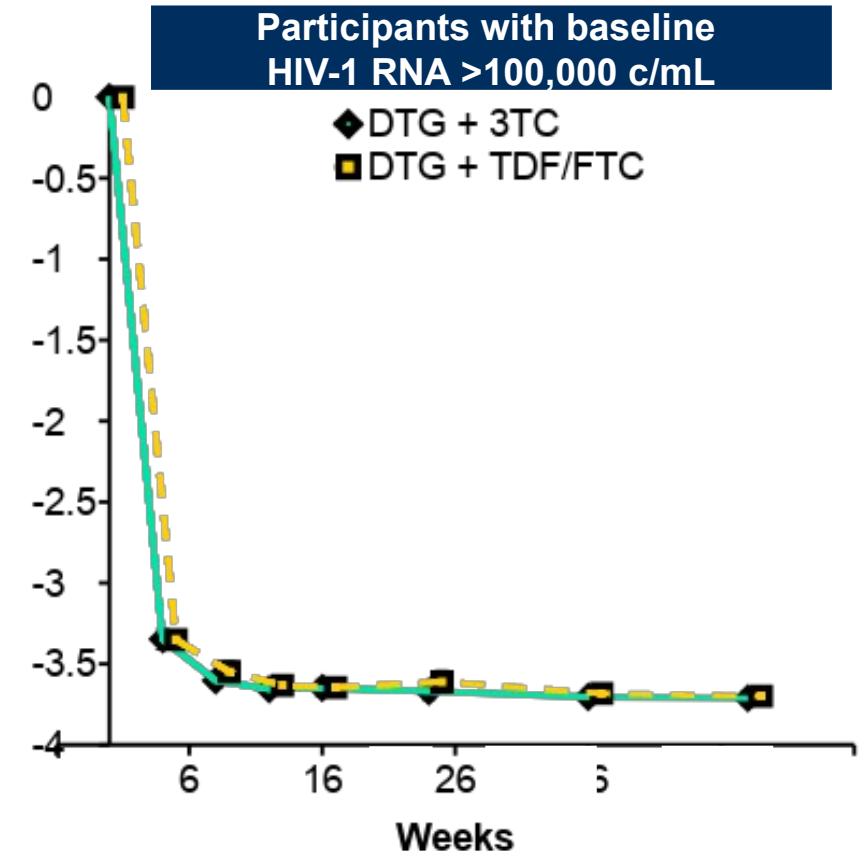
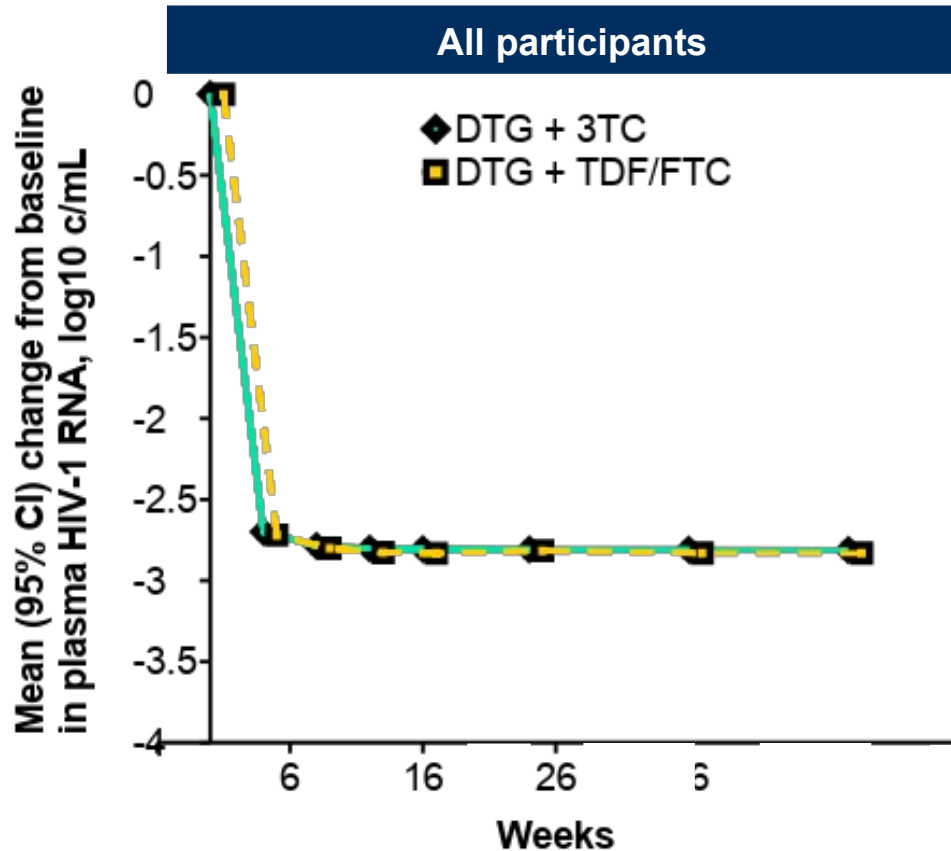
<sup>†</sup>Estimated mean change from baseline at Week 48 in each arm calculated from ANCOVA model adjusting for study, treatment, baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA, baseline CD4+ cell count, age, sex, race, BMI, smoking status, current vitamin D use, and baseline biomarker value. Multiple imputed dataset (missing at random)

# Rates of Blips Through Week 100



\*There was no Week 8 visit for the late switch subjects.

# Viral Load Decline Through 48 Weeks in All Participants



DTG + 3TC, n	716	708	704	686	681	688	674	664	140	138	139	135	135	138	132	132
DTG + TDF/FTC, n	717	706	699	699	688	688	681	675	153	152	153	151	149	145	141	139

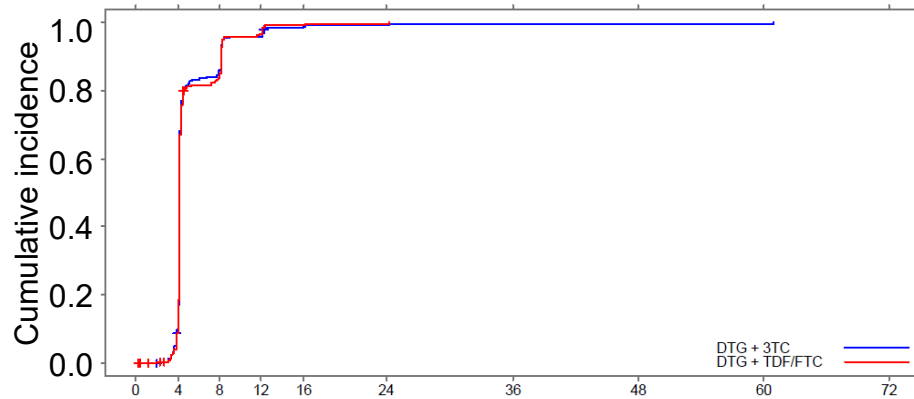
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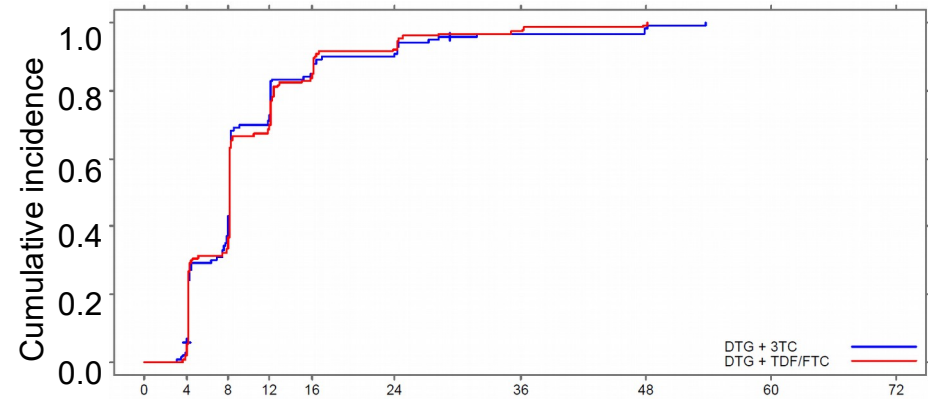
# Time to Viral Suppression

Participants with baseline HIV-1 RNA  $\leq 100,000$  c/mL



Time to viral suppression, weeks

Participants with baseline HIV-1 RNA  $> 100,000$  c/mL

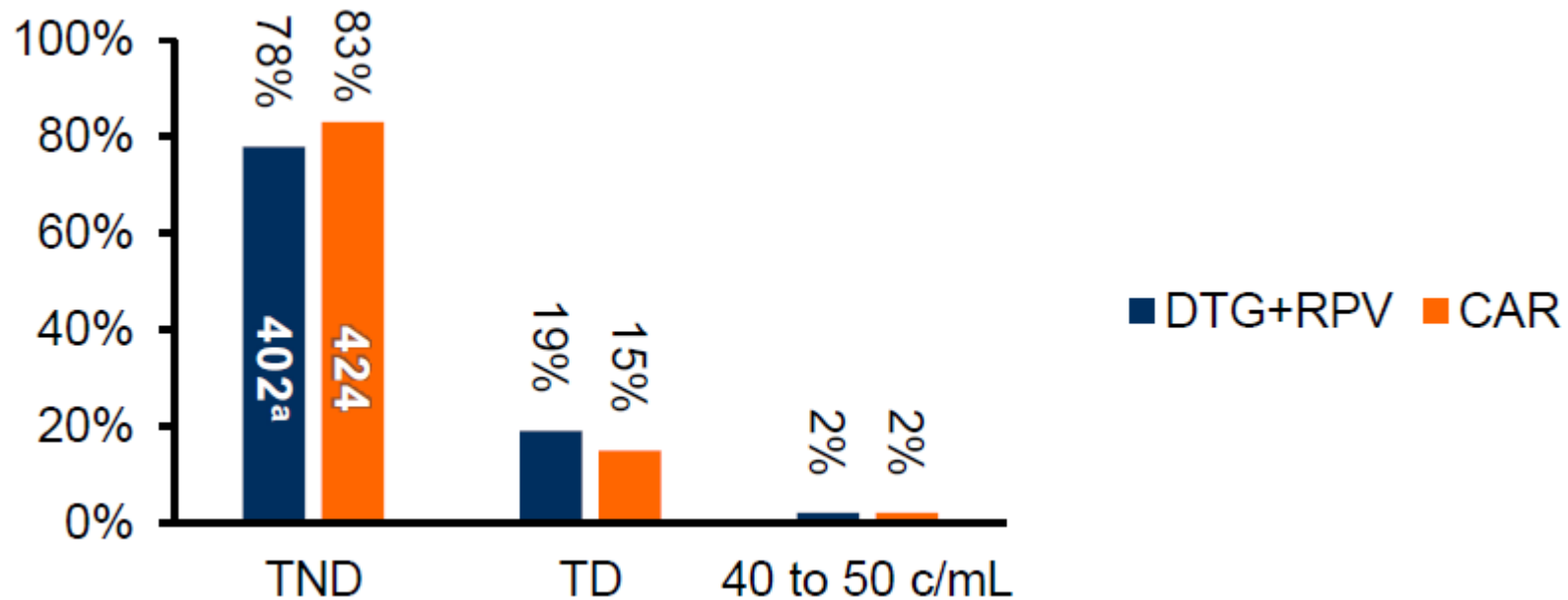


Time to viral suppression, weeks

Time to viral suppression	DTG + 3TC (N=716)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=717)
Median (95% CI), days	29.0 (NE-NE)	29.0 (NE-NE)
Hazard ratio (95% CI)	0.99 (0.88-1.11)	

Time to viral suppression	DTG + 3TC (N=140)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=153)
Median (95% CI), days	57.0 (56.0-57.0)	57.0 (NE-NE)
Hazard ratio (95% CI)	1.00 (0.79-1.26)	

# Proportions by VL Category <50 c/mL at Baseline



- At Baseline, slight numerical differences were observed within the VL categories <50 c/mL between the DTG + RPV and CAR arms

<sup>a</sup>The number of participants per category. Of four participants in the DTG + RPV arm with no Post-Baseline data, three had TND and one had TD at Baseline. Two with Baseline TND in CAR had no Post-Baseline VL, and are included here and per Snapshot algorithm in Table 2 (N=402 and N=424), but not in Table 1 analyses (TND DTG + RPV, N=399 and CAR, N=422).

# Reduction in transmission – The Evidence

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## ACTG 076 (1994)<sup>1</sup>

**68%** reduction in maternal-infant transmission with zidovudine

## San Francisco (1998)<sup>2</sup>

Maternal-infant transmission **approached zero** in cohort of pregnant women treated with triple ART

## Rakai, Uganda (2000)<sup>3</sup>

**No transmissions** in serodifferent couples with VL <1,500 c/mL

## Swiss Statement (2008)<sup>4</sup>

**No transmissions likely** with undetectable VL

# Reduction in transmission – The Evidence

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## HPTN 052 (2016)<sup>1</sup>

**93%** reduction in linked transmissions in serodifferent couples (transmissions occurred before VL was suppressed or from ART failure)

## PARTNER & PARTNER-2 (2014–2018)<sup>2,3</sup>

**No linked transmissions** in MSM or heterosexual couples (even when STI present)

## Opposites attract (2018)<sup>4</sup>


**No linked transmissions** in serodifferent MSM couples when VL <200 c/mL (even when STI present)

1. Cohen et al. N Engl J Med 2016;375:830–9

2. Rodger et al. JAMA. 2016;316:171–81

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Genital HIV-1  
Shedding With  
Dolutegravir (DTG)  
Plus Lamivudine (3TC)  
Dual Therapy

Gianella et al  
Aspire & ACTG 5353 studies  
N= 31 (DTG+3TC) & 20 (3DR)

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In conclusion, in this small pilot study, we did not detect concerning signals about the efficacy of the 2-drug regimen of DTG+3TC in controlling genital HIV RNA shedding, hence prevention of viral transmission, when HIV RNA is undetectable in blood plasma. These preliminary results suggest that DTG+3TC likely confers similar transmission prevention benefits as triple therapy.

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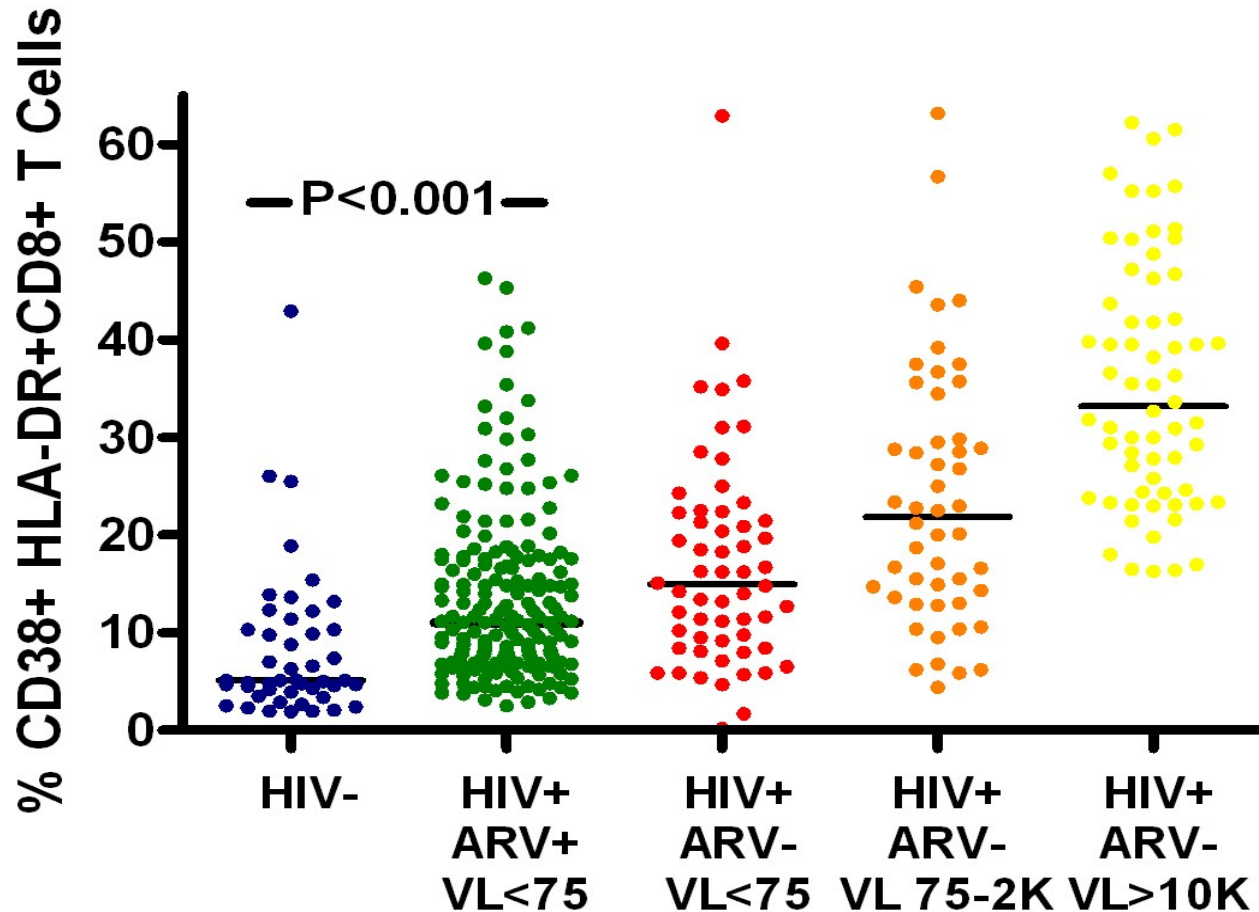
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# ..... but ART-suppressed Patients Have Persistently Abnormal T Cell Activation .....



Hunt et al, JID, 2003 and 2008

# Association Between HIV Infection and IL-6, sCD14, and D-dimer Adjusted for (a) Age and Race-Ethnicity and (b) All Covariates

		Proportional Odds Ratio (95% CI)			
	Outcomes	HIV-negative (Reference)	HIV-positive HIV-1 RNA <500 c/mL	HIV-positive HIV-1 RNA 500–9,999 c/mL	HIV-positive HIV-1 RNA ≥10,000 c/mL
(a) Model (age, race-ethnicity adjusted)					
1	IL-6 quartiles	1	1.14 (0.96, 1.35)	1.32 (1.01, 1.73)	2.99 (2.32, 3.84)
2	sCD14 quartiles	1	0.93 (0.78, 1.10)	0.85 (0.65, 1.12)	2.05 (1.61, 2.62)
3	D-dimer quartiles	1	0.50 (0.42, 0.59)	0.88 (0.67, 1.16)	1.91 (1.49, 2.45)
(b) Model (fully adjusted)					
1	IL-6 quartiles	1	1.35 (1.11, 1.64)	1.46 (1.10, 1.95)	2.78 (2.11, 3.65)
2	sCD14 quartiles	1	0.77 (0.64, 0.93)	0.71 (0.54, 0.95)	1.49 (1.14, 1.94)
3	D-dimer quartiles	1	0.51 (0.43, 0.62)	0.95 (0.71, 1.26)	1.73 (1.32, 2.26)

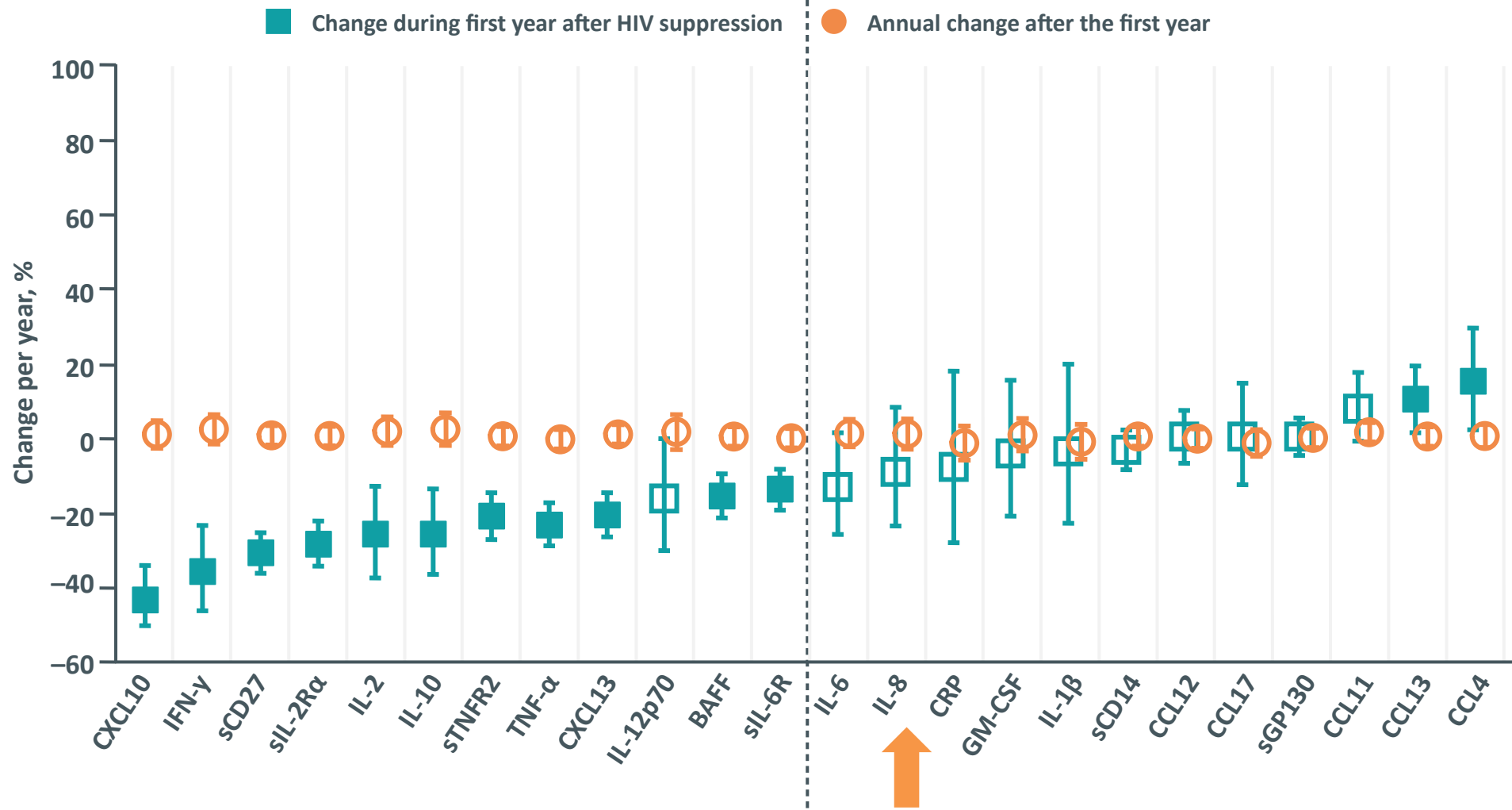
**There are no consistent data from large, well-designed studies to link low-level residual viraemia with persistent inflammation**

# SWORD-1 and -2: Inflammatory Mediators at Week 48

No notable differences between the DTG + RPV and CAR groups in change from baseline to Week 48 for levels of inflammatory mediators

Inflammatory mediator and time point		DTG + RPV		CAR		Week 48 difference DTG + RPV – CAR (95%)
		n	Mean	n	Mean	
hsCRP, mg/L	Baseline*	512	2.81	505	2.77	
	Week 48	480	+0.11	482	+0.47	–0.36 (–1.2, 1.0)
IL-6, ng/L	Baseline*	512	2.19	503	2.25	
	Week 48	478	+0.04	480	–0.12	0.16 (–0.2, 0.4)
D-dimer, nmol/L FEU	Baseline*	504	1.87	496	1.80	
	Week 48	463	–0.01	466	–0.05	0.04 (–0.28, 0.34)
sCD163, µg/L	Baseline*	509	590.48	501	601.79	
	Week 48	477	+57.99	477	+54.10	3.89 (–22.4, 206.3)
sCD14, ng/mL	Baseline*	510	1,703.31	502	1,698.60	
	Week 48	479	+419.09	479	+778.15	–359.06 (–451.7, 2325.5)
sVCAM-1, µg/L	Baseline*	512	1,933.50	503	1,957.52	
	Week 48	479	–2.43	480	+63.57	–66.00 (–190.8, 4180.9)
iFABP, ng/mL	Baseline*	512	2.97	501	2.92	
	Week 48	478	–2.13	478	–1.47	–0.66 (–0.9, 0.3)

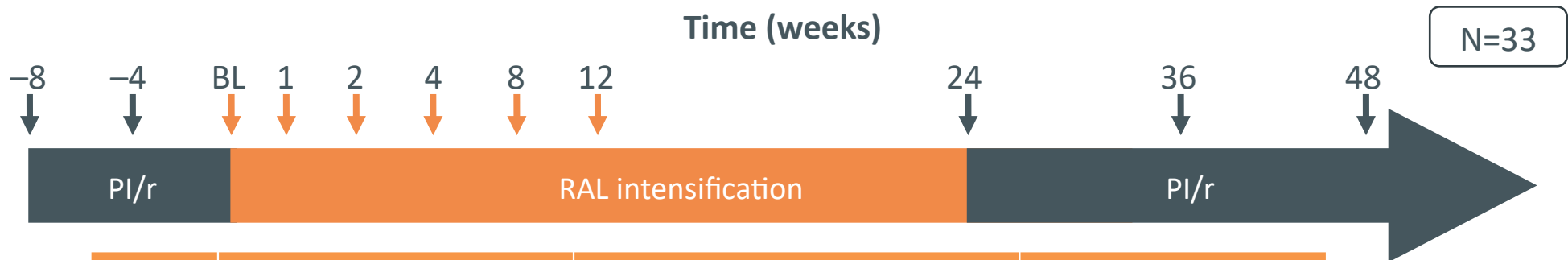
\*Baseline values are actual values. iFABP is also known as FABP2  
FEU, fibrinogen-equivalent units



Filled markers represent differences that were statistically significant after Bonferroni adjustment ( $p < 0.002$ )

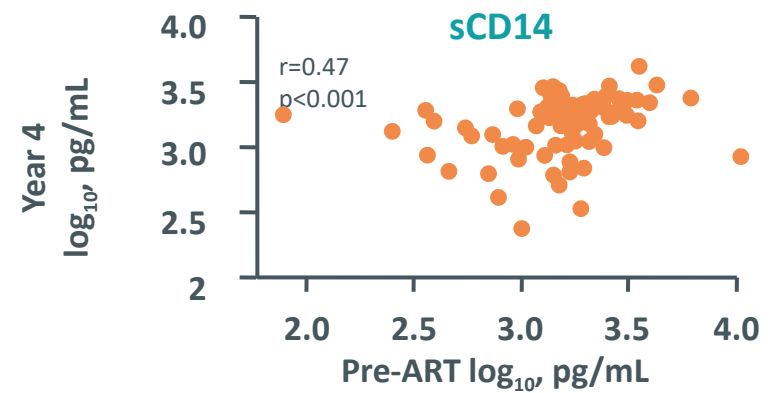
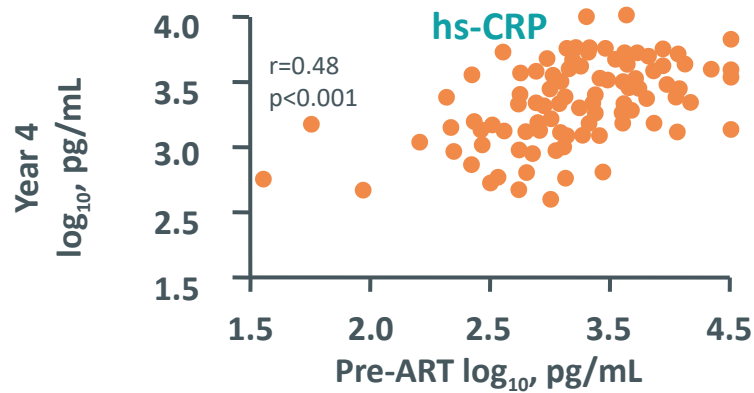
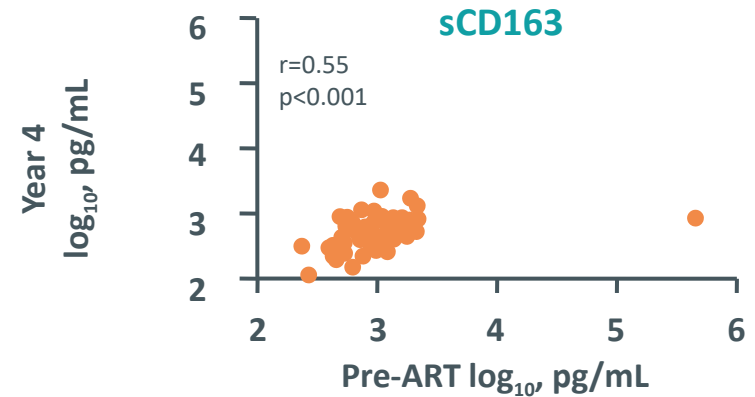
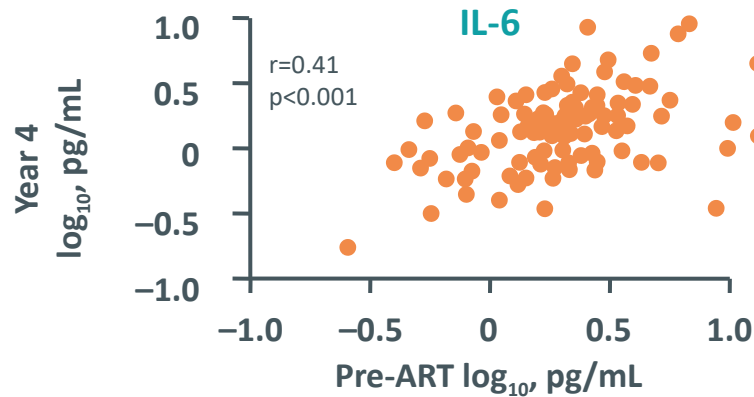
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# Impact of Intensification with RAL on HIV-1-infected Individuals Receiving Monotherapy with Boosted PIs



	Time	Median (IQR)	p-value (to baseline)
IL-6, ng/mL	Baseline	34 (18–46)	
	Week 24	43 (27–116)	0.02
	Week 48	30 (19–92)	1.00
	p-value (Week 24–48)		<b>0.26</b>
CRP, µg/mL	Baseline	1.18 (0.59–2.13)	
	Week 24	1.29 (0.70–2.92)	0.20
	Week 48	0.99 (0.40–2.52)	0.20
	p-value (Week 24–48)		<b>0.04</b>
D-dimer, ng/mL	Baseline	95 (58–129)	
	Week 24	112 (74–171)	0.14
	Week 48	153 (84–215)	0.02
	p-value (Week 24–48)		<b>0.09</b>

# Correlation Between Pre- and On-ART Levels of Inflammatory Biomarkers

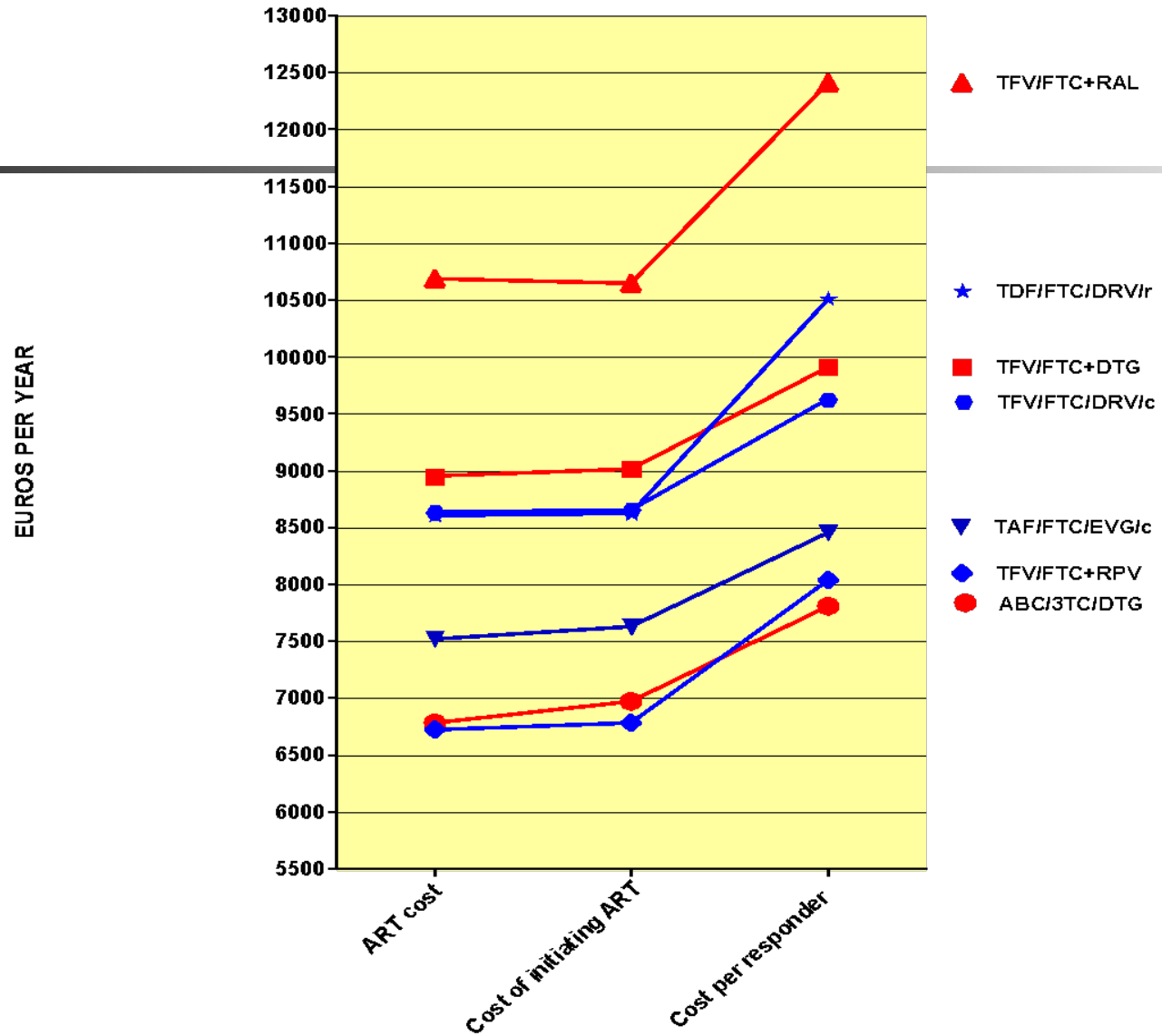


101 treatment-naïve participants who initiated ART and had plasma HIV-1 RNA levels consistently <math><50</math> c/mL at all time points  $\geq 48</math> weeks$

# A New Era in ART: Tailored 2DR's

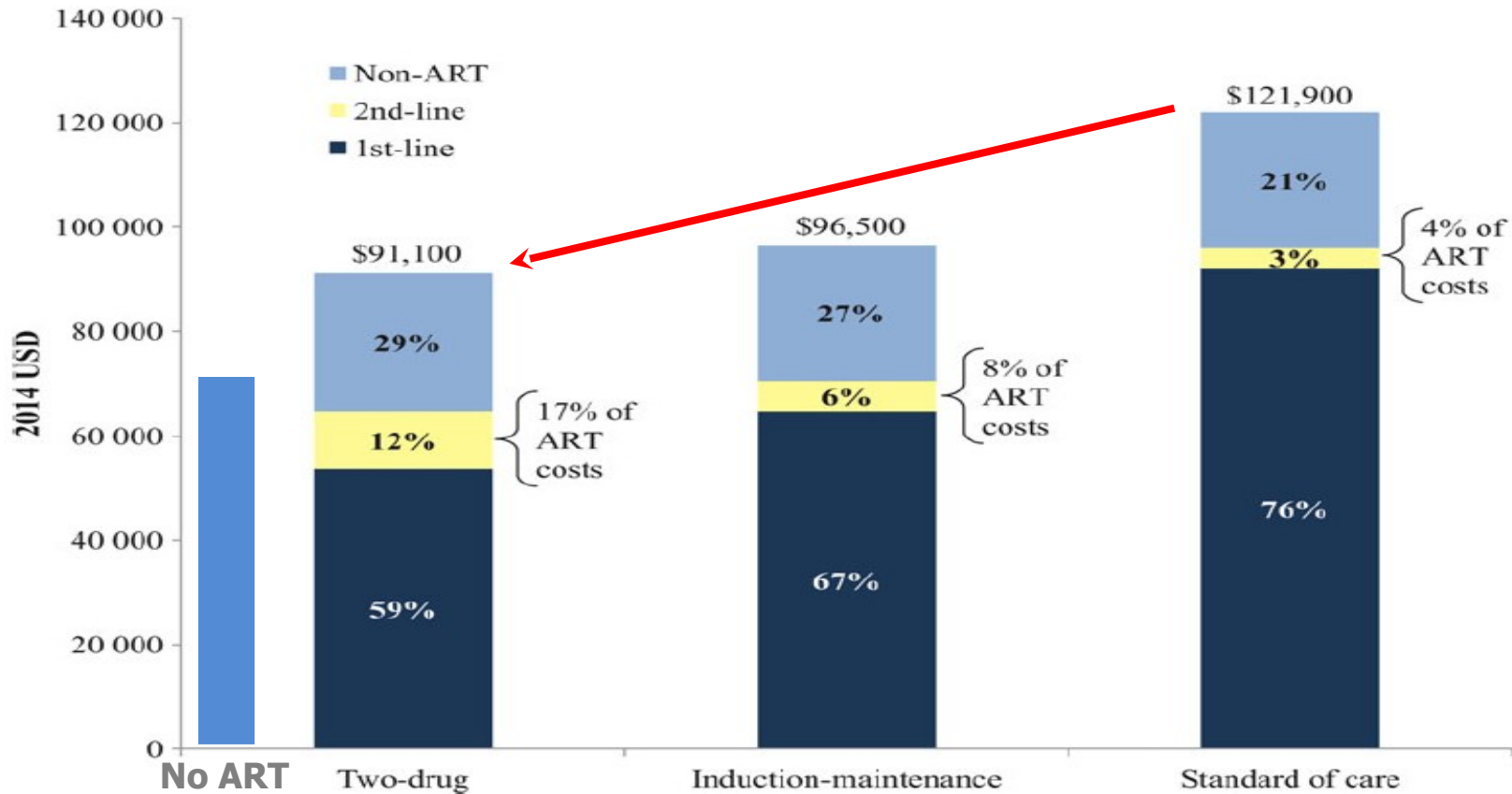


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**Conclusions.** Should DTG + 3TC demonstrate high rates of virologic suppression, this regimen will be cost-effective and would save >\$500 million in ART costs in the United States over 5 years.



Relative discounted 5-year per-person costs (in 2014 US dollars [USD]) for the 2-drug, induction-maintenance, and standard-of-care strategies. Discounted costs include first-line antiretroviral therapy (ART) costs (dark blue), second-line ART costs (yellow), and non-ART costs (light blue); the proportion of each cost category of total costs is labeled in each bar. Additionally, the proportion of 5-year ART costs comprised of second-line ART costs is shown.



## Guidelines for 2019

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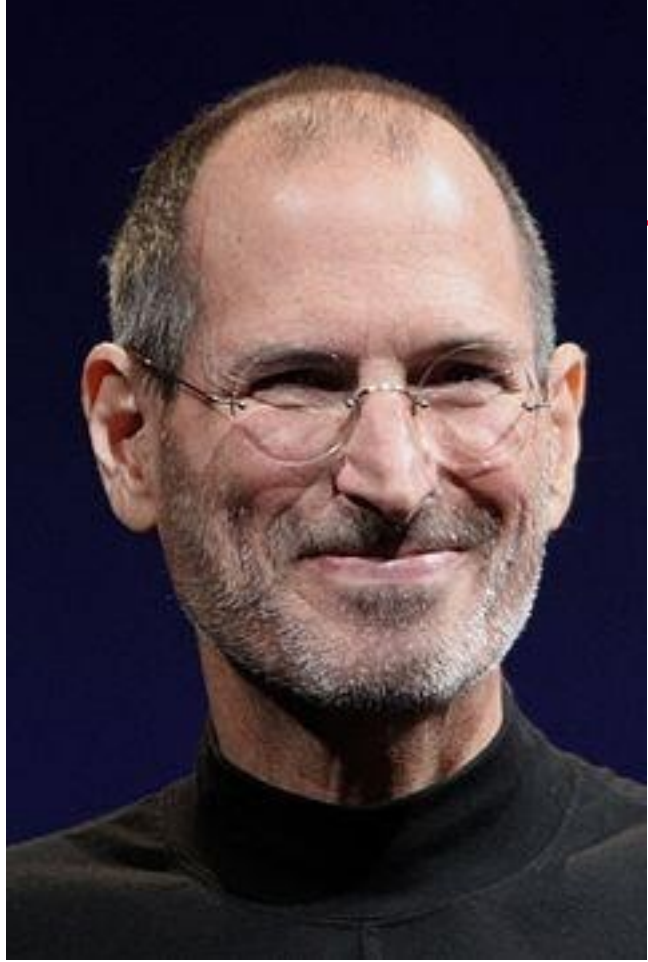
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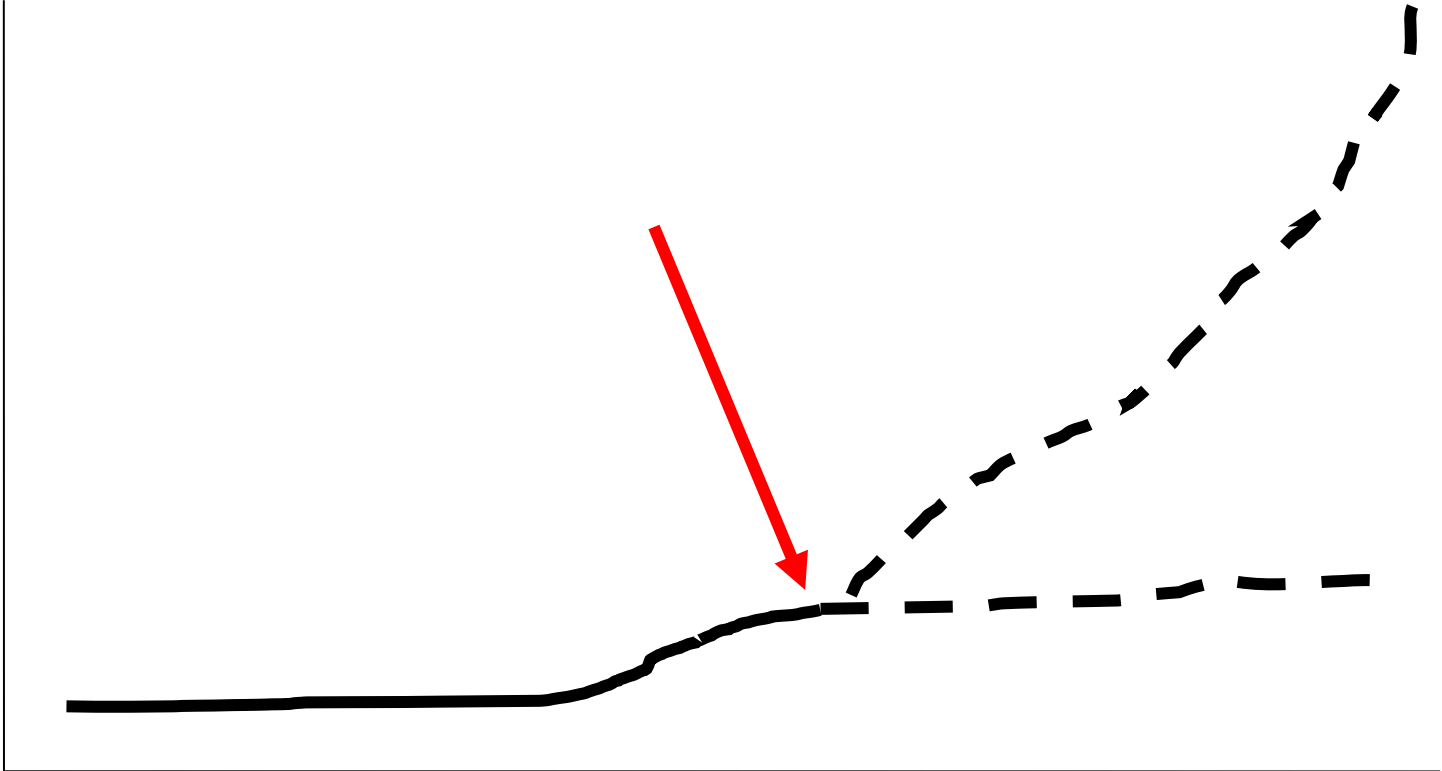
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## 7. Final considerations

Regimens other than “every day triple-drug regimens” could become a cost-effective option in a wider range of patients within next few years

Proof of concept already achieved

Pivotal phase III studies have met primary endpoints (GEMINIs, SWORDS) and others (TANGO) are ongoing