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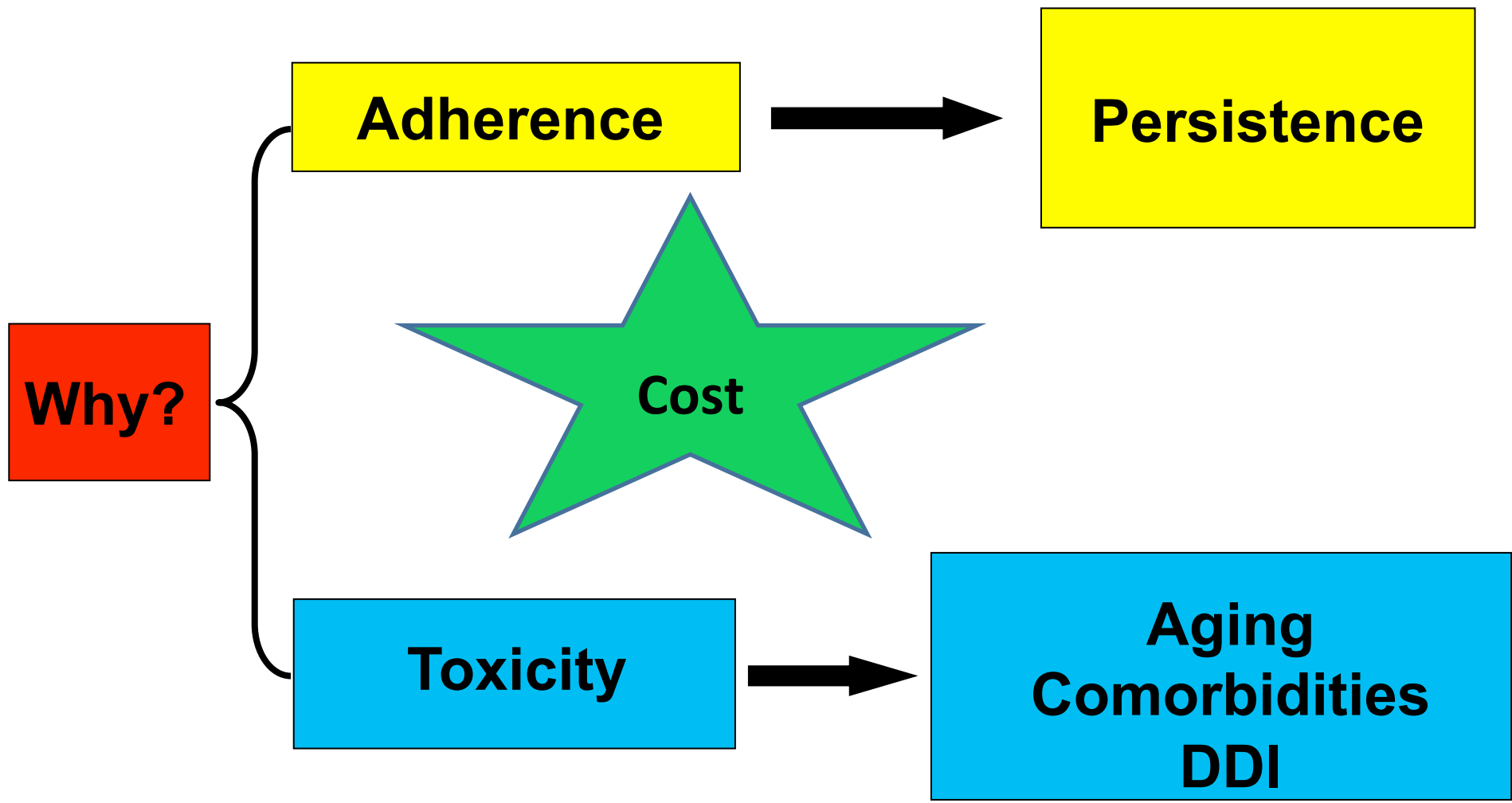
Nuove strategie terapeutiche



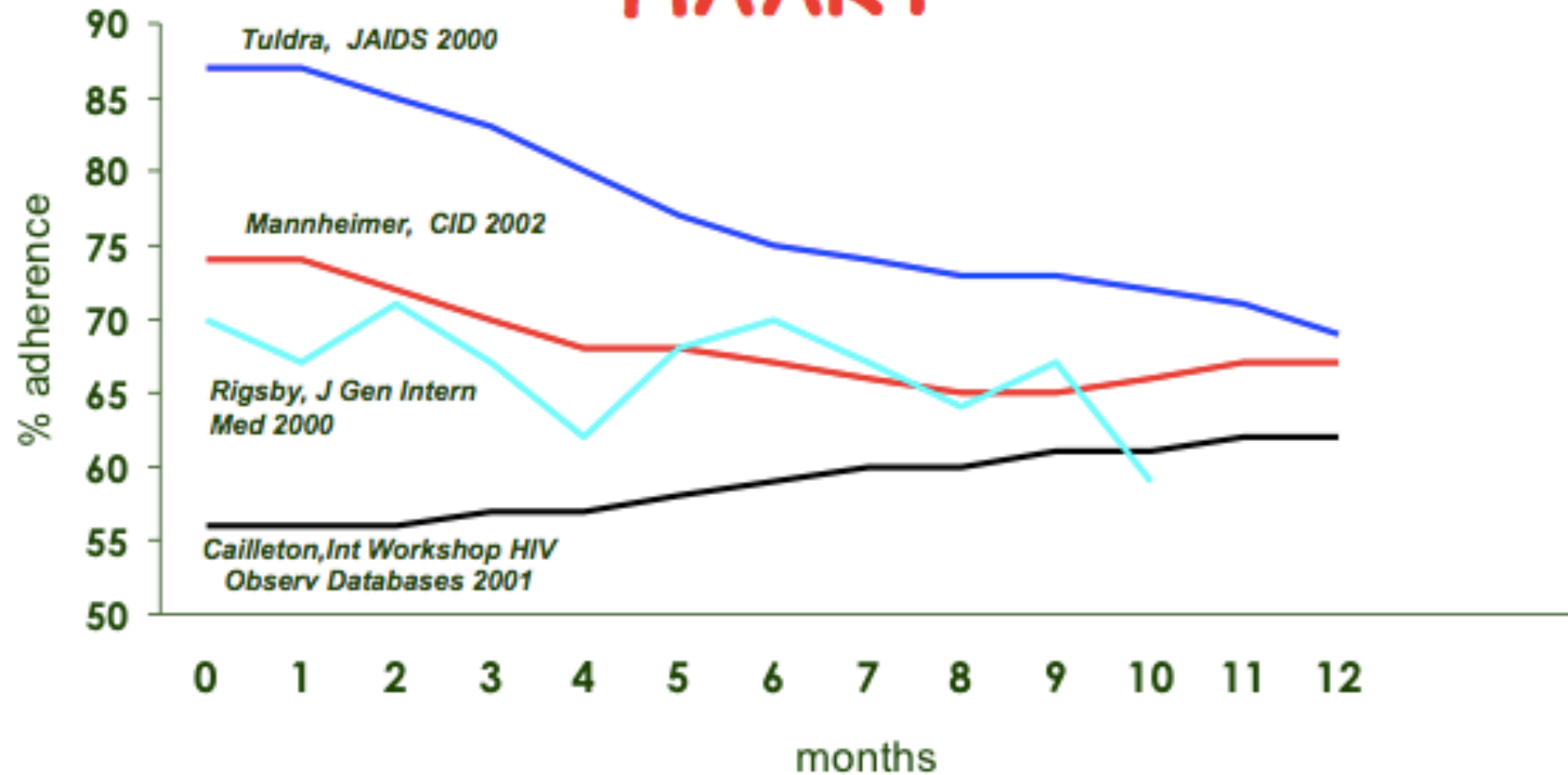
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Dual Therapy: starting from rationale



The adherence decline during HAART



ONCE A DAY



**KEEP THE
DOCTOR AWAY**



2a. La riduzione del numero di dosi/somministrazioni e di compresse giornaliere: strategie di semplificazione gestionale

FDCs, Monosomministrazione giornaliera e regimi STR

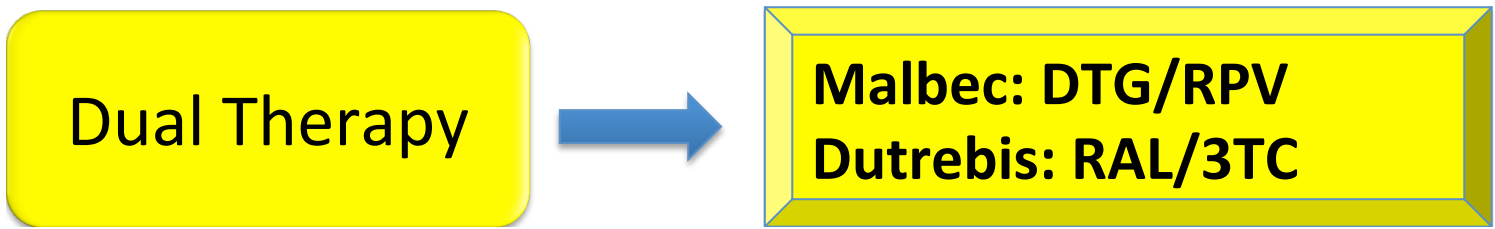
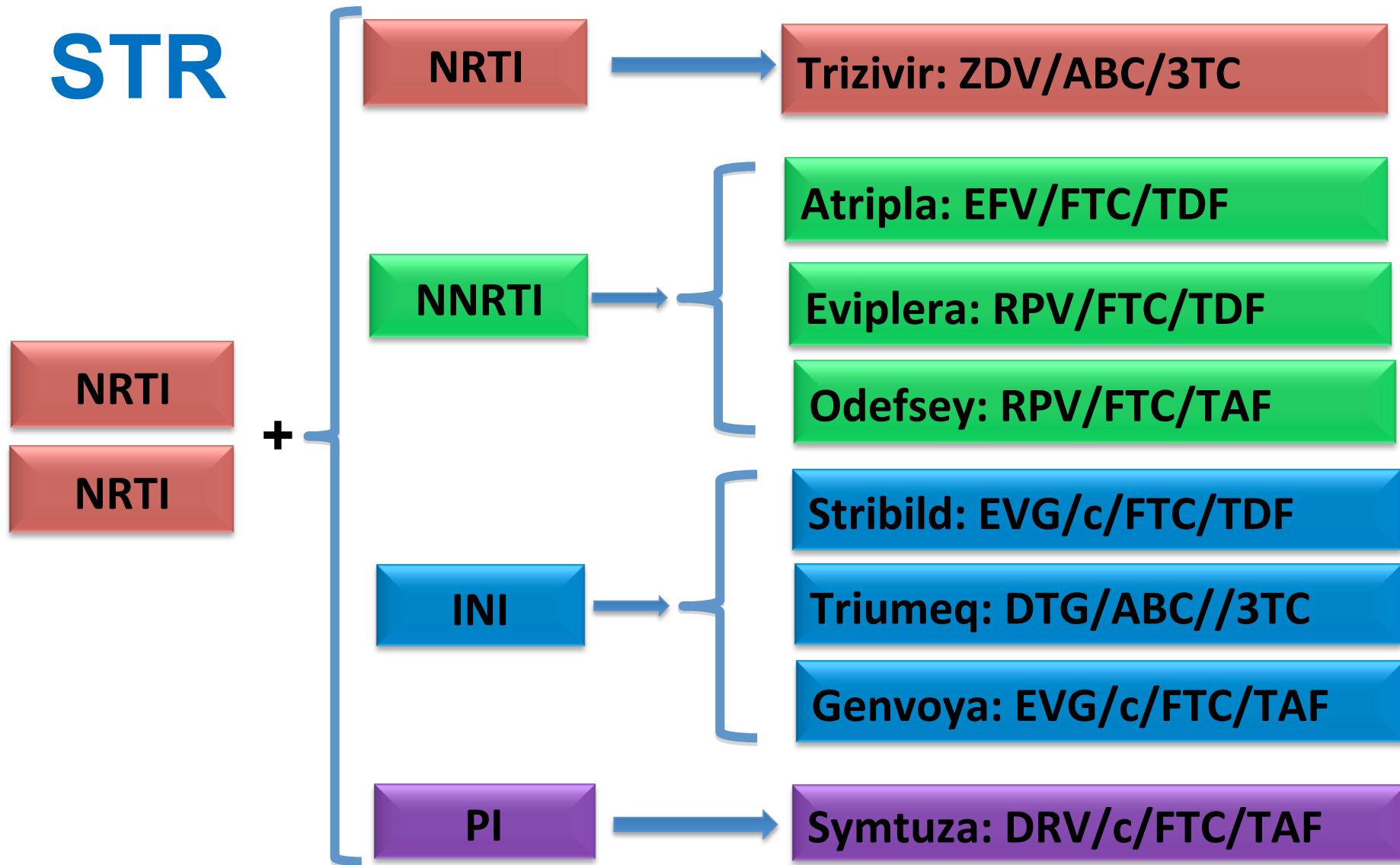
Questi termini si riferiscono a concetti che favoriscono, nella pratica clinica, l'impiego di farmaci e/o regimi terapeutici che contemplano:

- L'utilizzo di FDCs (ossia Fixed-Dose Combinations) rispetto alle combinazioni estemporanee di singoli farmaci;
- La monosomministrazione giornaliera (QD invece che BID);
- La combinazione dei due precedenti concetti nota come STR (Single Tablet Regimen) ovvero la formulazione compatta di un regime terapeutico completo assunto una sola volta al giorno (una compressa una volta al giorno).






I regimi STR si sono mostrati più efficaci nella durata della soppressione virologica rispetto a quelli più complessi. In particolare, di recente è stato introdotto il concetto multifattoriale di 'resistenza di barriera', che riguarda l'analisi dell'intero regime terapeutico ed è basata sulla

**L'uso di STR di per sé può essere un elemento chiave per contribuire a migliorare la qualità di vita e l'aderenza dei pazienti
[AII]**

STR

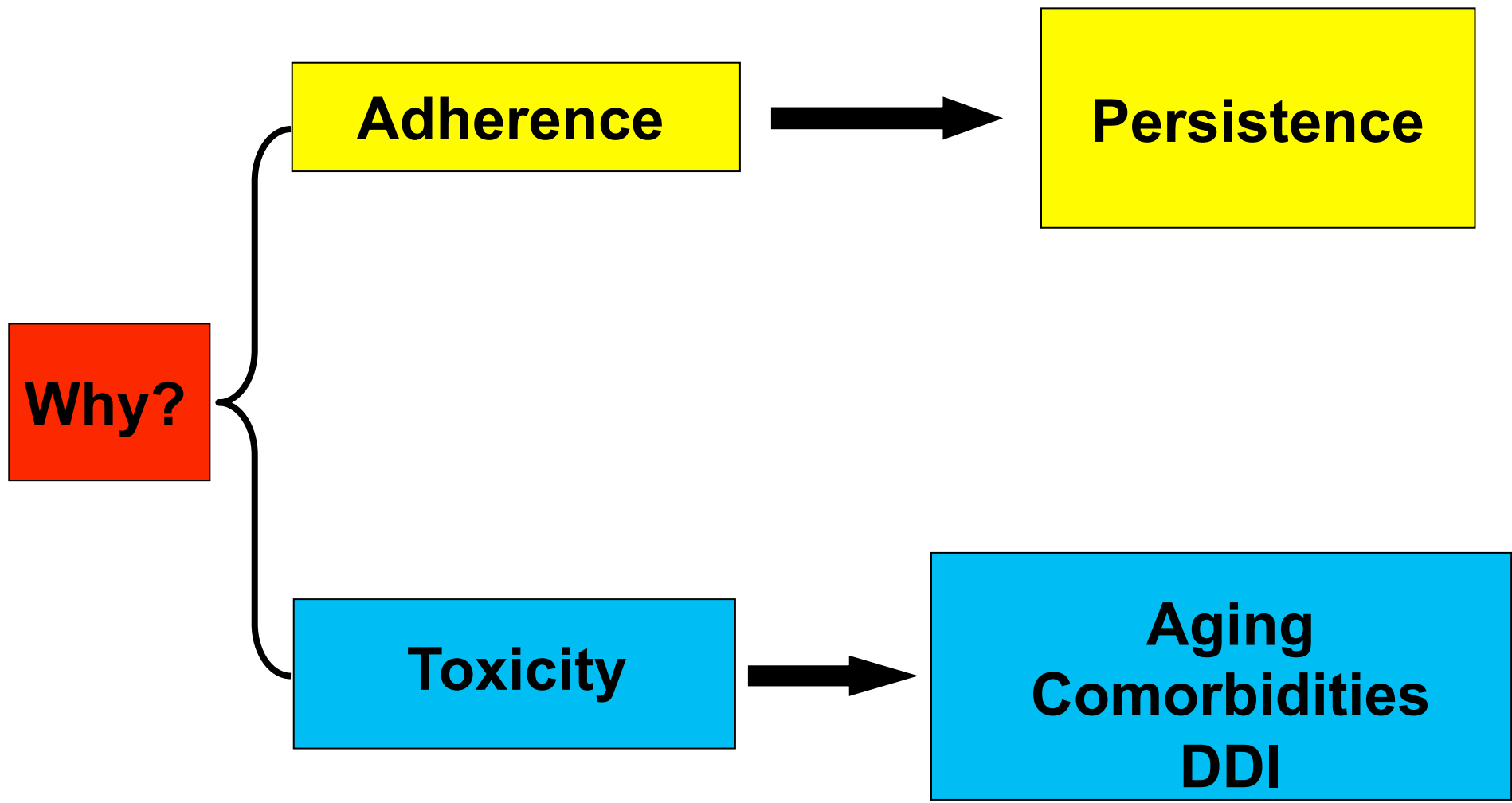


Recommended ART Regimens for Treatment-Naive Pts

Regimen	SIMIT	DHHS ^[1]	IAS-USA ^[2]	BHIVA ^[3]	EACS ^[4]	GeSIDA ^[5]
 DTG/3TC/ABC	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended
DTG + FTC/TDF	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
DTG + FTC/TAF	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Not included
 EVG/COBI/FTC/TDF	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative
 EVG/COBI/FTC/TAF	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
RAL + FTC/TDF	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
RAL + FTC/TAF	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Not included
ATV/RTV + FTC/TDF	Recommended in particular conditions	Alternative	Not included	Recommended	Alternative	Alternative
ATV/RTV + FTC/TAF	Recommended in particular conditions	Alternative	Not included	Recommended	Alternative	Alternative
DRV/RTV* + FTC/TDF	Recommended in particular conditions	Recommended	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative
DRV/RTV* + FTC/TAF	Recommended in particular conditions	Recommended	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Not included
 RPV/FTC/TDF	Recommended in particular conditions	Alternative	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Alternative
 RPV/FTC/TAF	Recommended in particular conditions	Alternative	Alternative	Recommended	Recommended	Not included

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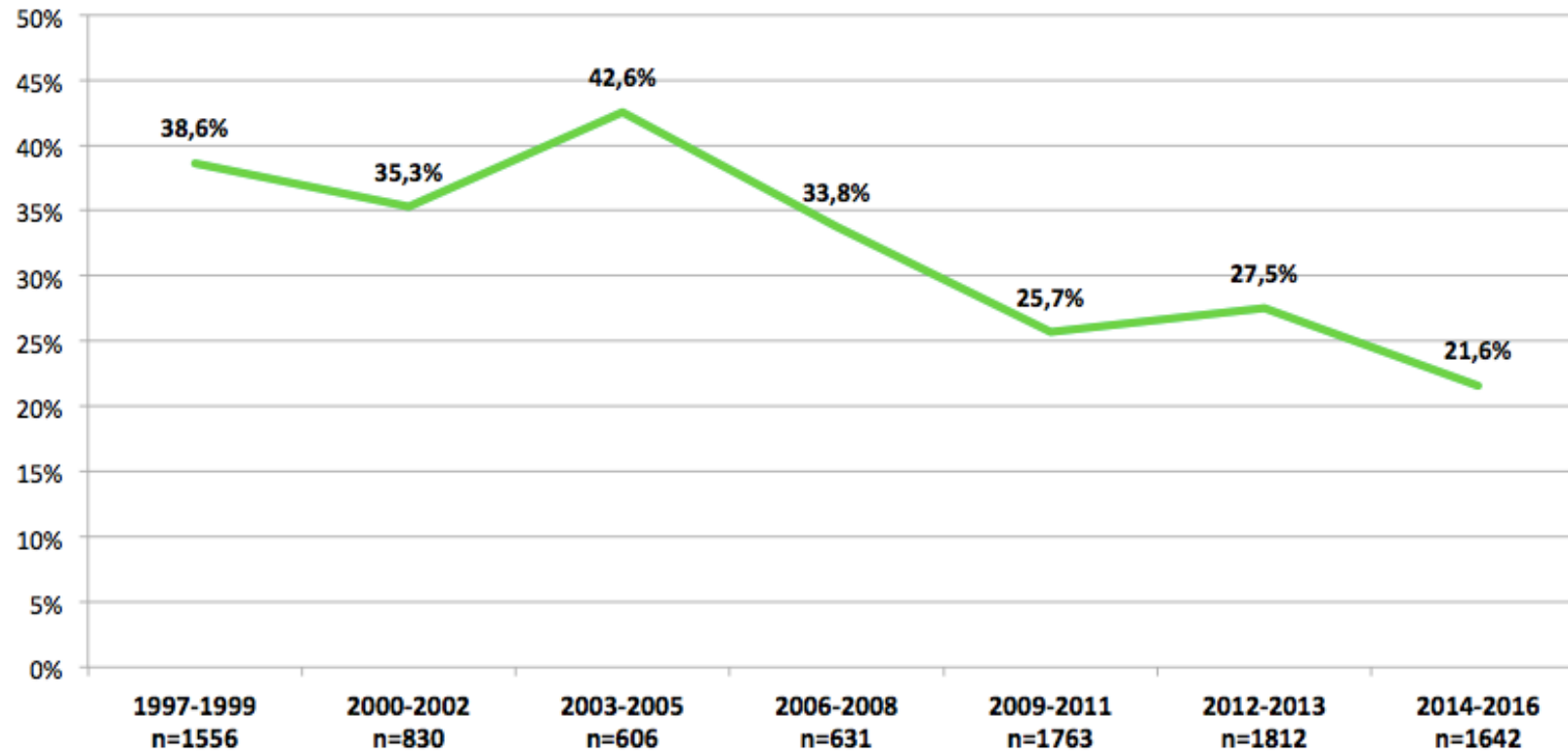


The challenge of medication toxicity

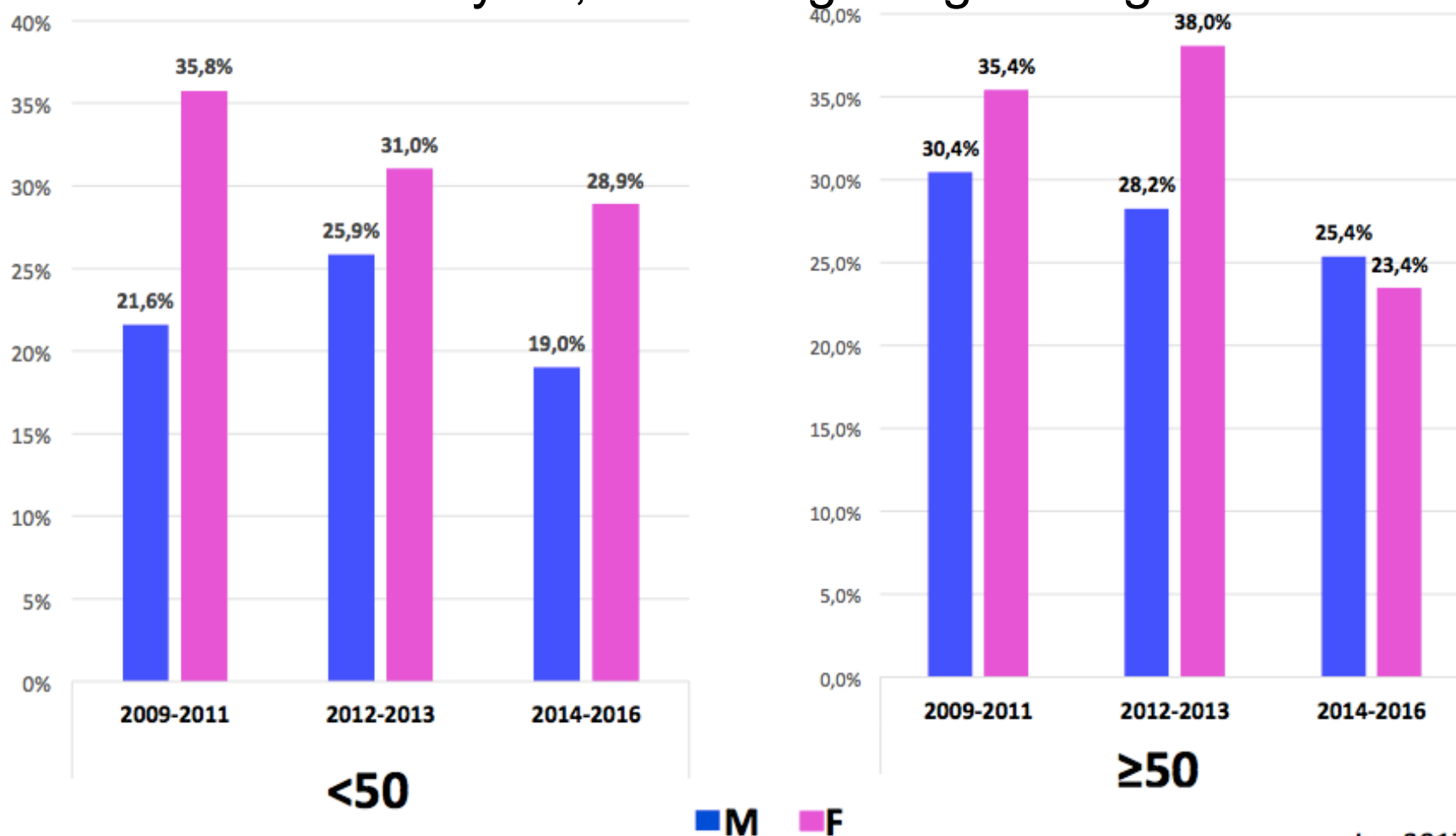
- Nausea¹
- Diarrhoea¹
- Metabolic disturbances¹
- Body shape changes¹
- Paraesthesia¹
- Bone loss²
- Renal dysfunction¹
- Cardiovascular disease¹



Proportion of patients stopping at least one drug of their first ART regimen within 1 year, according to calendar period of starting

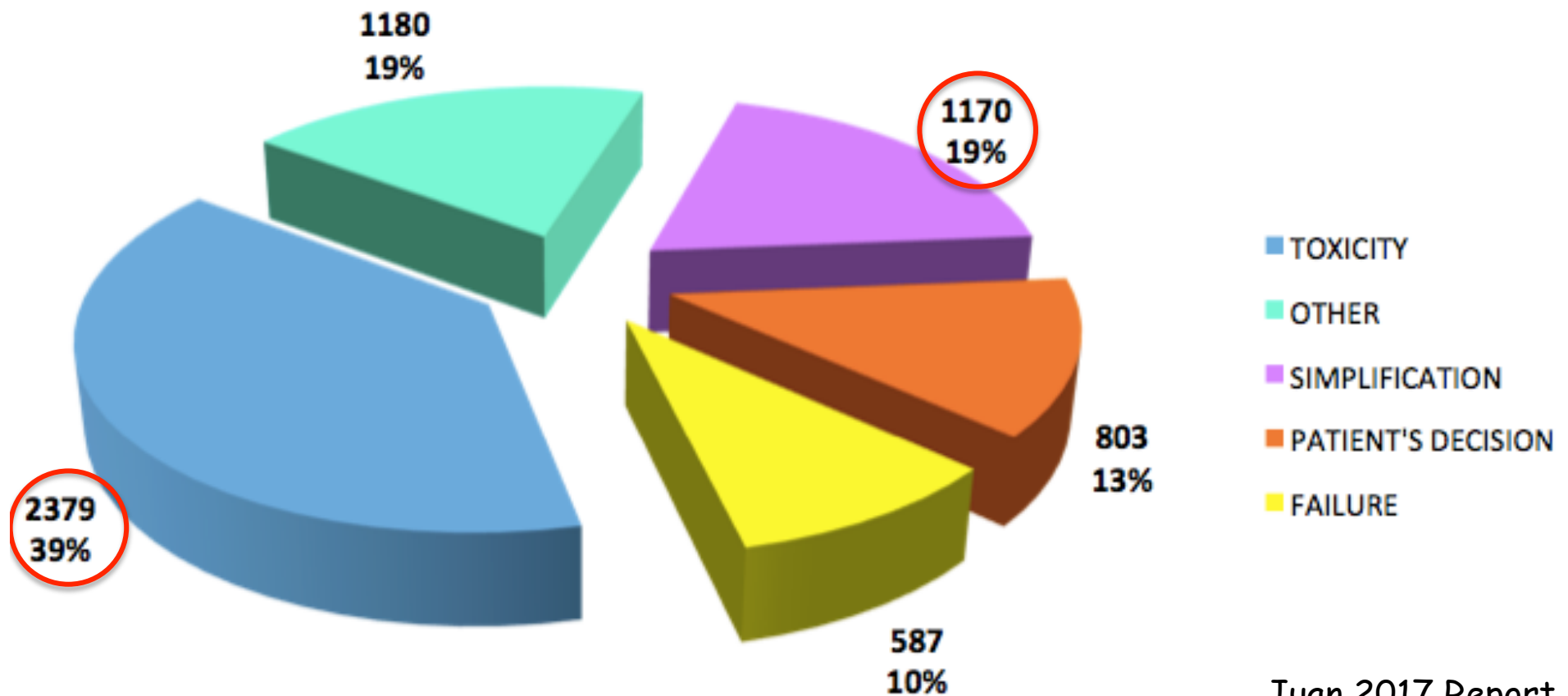


Proportion of patients stopping at least one drug of first ART within 1 year, according to age and gender





Distribution of reasons for stopping at least one drug included in the first regimen (n.6119)



Multimorbidity, Polypharmacy, and ART Use in HIV+ Pts 75 Yrs of Age or Older

- **GEPPPO**: prospective cohort study of geriatric HIV+ pts older than 75 yrs of age with matched group of HIV- pts
- Current cross-sectional analysis assessed polypharmacy, multimorbidity, and ART use by HIV status in pts 75 yrs of age or older (N = 492; HIV+: n = 292; HIV-: n = 200)
 - HIV+ pts stratified by duration of HIV infection
 - < 10 yrs, 10-20 yrs, > 20 yrs
 - Multimorbidity: ≥ 3 comorbidities (not due to infection)
 - Polypharmacy: ≥ 5 medications (excluding ART)

HIV+ > 20 Yrs Major Driver of Multimorbidity and Polypharmacy

- 35.3% of HIV+ pts on low-drug ART regimens
 - Dual therapy: 28.7%
 - Monotherapy: 6.6%
- 56.4% of HIV+ pts on NRTI-sparing regimens; 59.3% on booster-free regimens
- Statins prescribed more often in HIV+ vs HIV- pts (47.6% vs 22.3%), benzodiazepines prescribed less often (3.5% vs 18.4%)

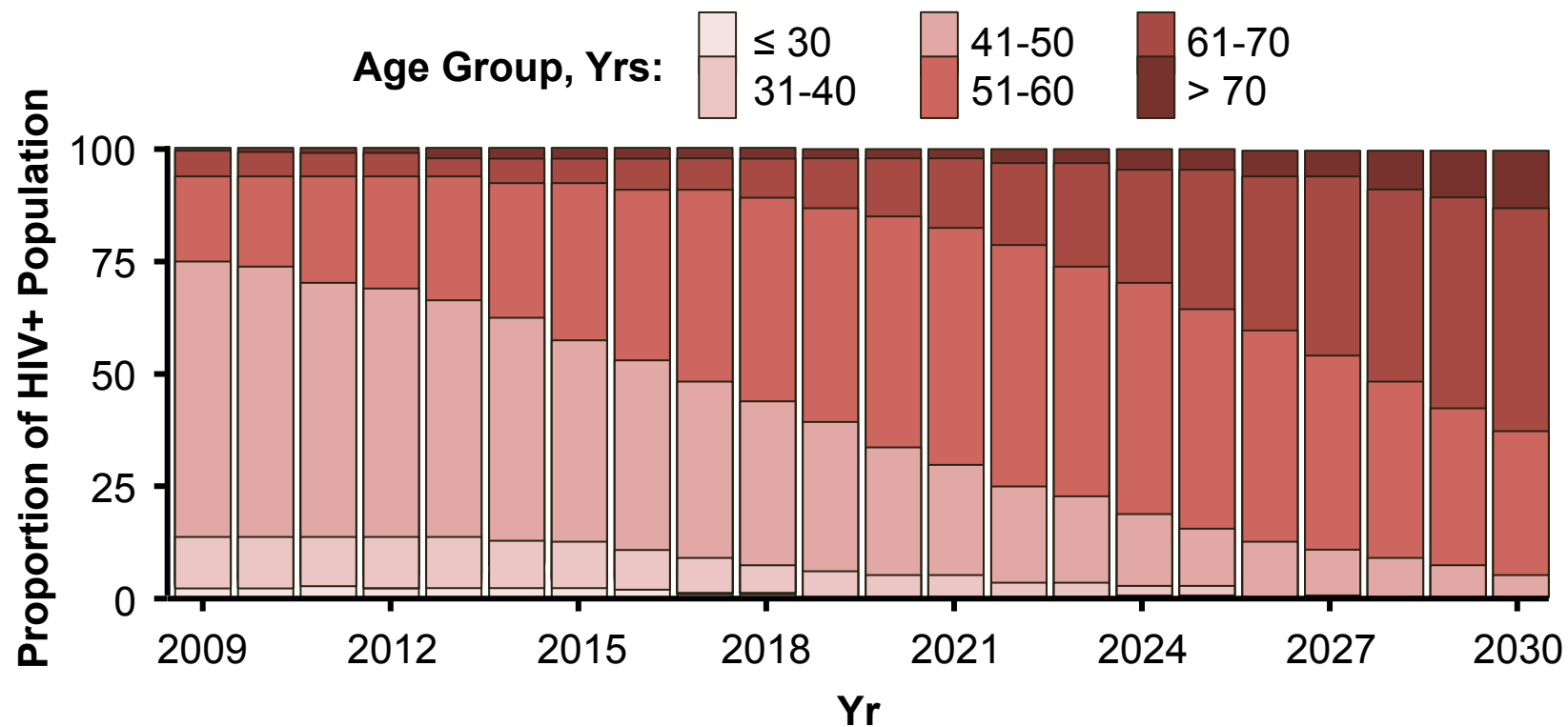
Significant Predictors of Outcomes*	OR (95% CI)	P Value
Multimorbidity:		
▪ Male vs female	2.06 (1.12-3.793)	.02
▪ HIV+ > 20 yrs	2.31 (1.05-5.435)	.044
Polypharmacy:		
▪ HIV+ < 10 yrs	1.99 (0.989-4.011)	.05
▪ HIV+ > 20 yrs	2.36 (1.224-4.612)	.01
Dual/Mono ART Regimen:		
▪ Polypharmacy	3.09 (1.328-7.502)	.01

*Multivariate logistic regression.

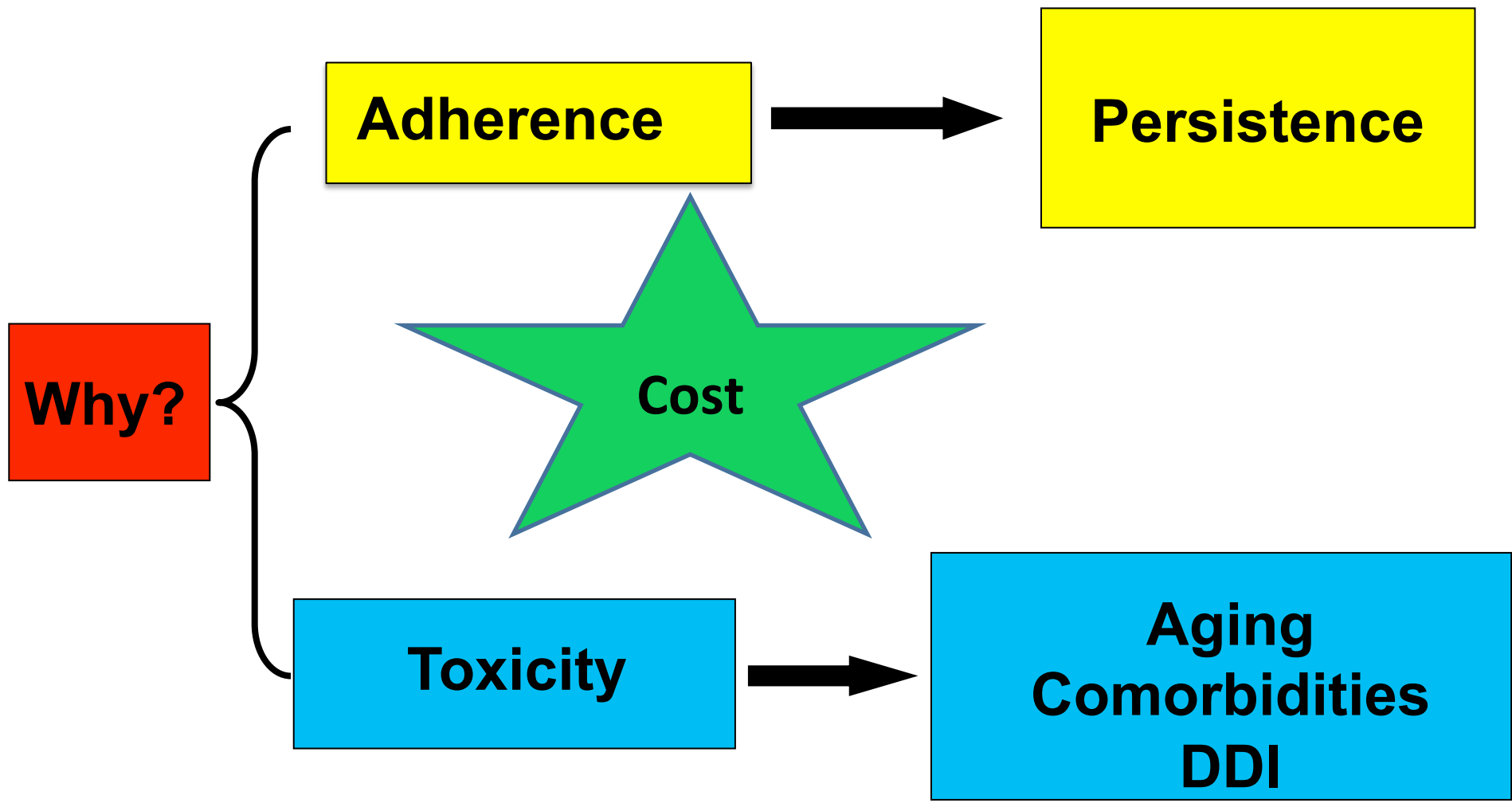
Model Simulation Predicts Growth of Aging HIV+ Population

- By 2030, ~ 60% of HIV+ pts predicted to be older than 60 yrs of age, with ~ 10% older than 70 yrs of age

Observed (Red Box) and Projected Age Distribution of HIV+ Pts 2009-2030

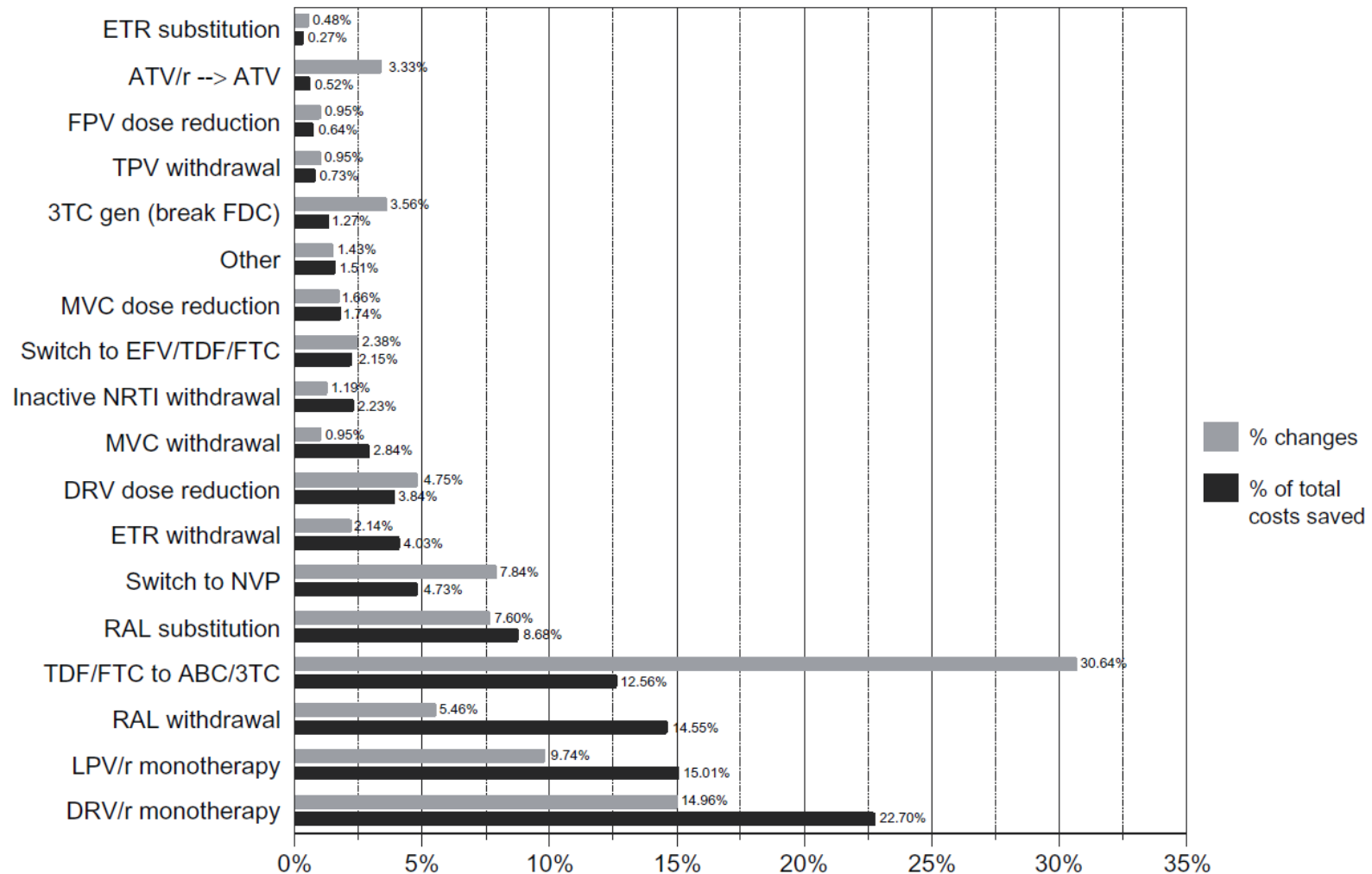


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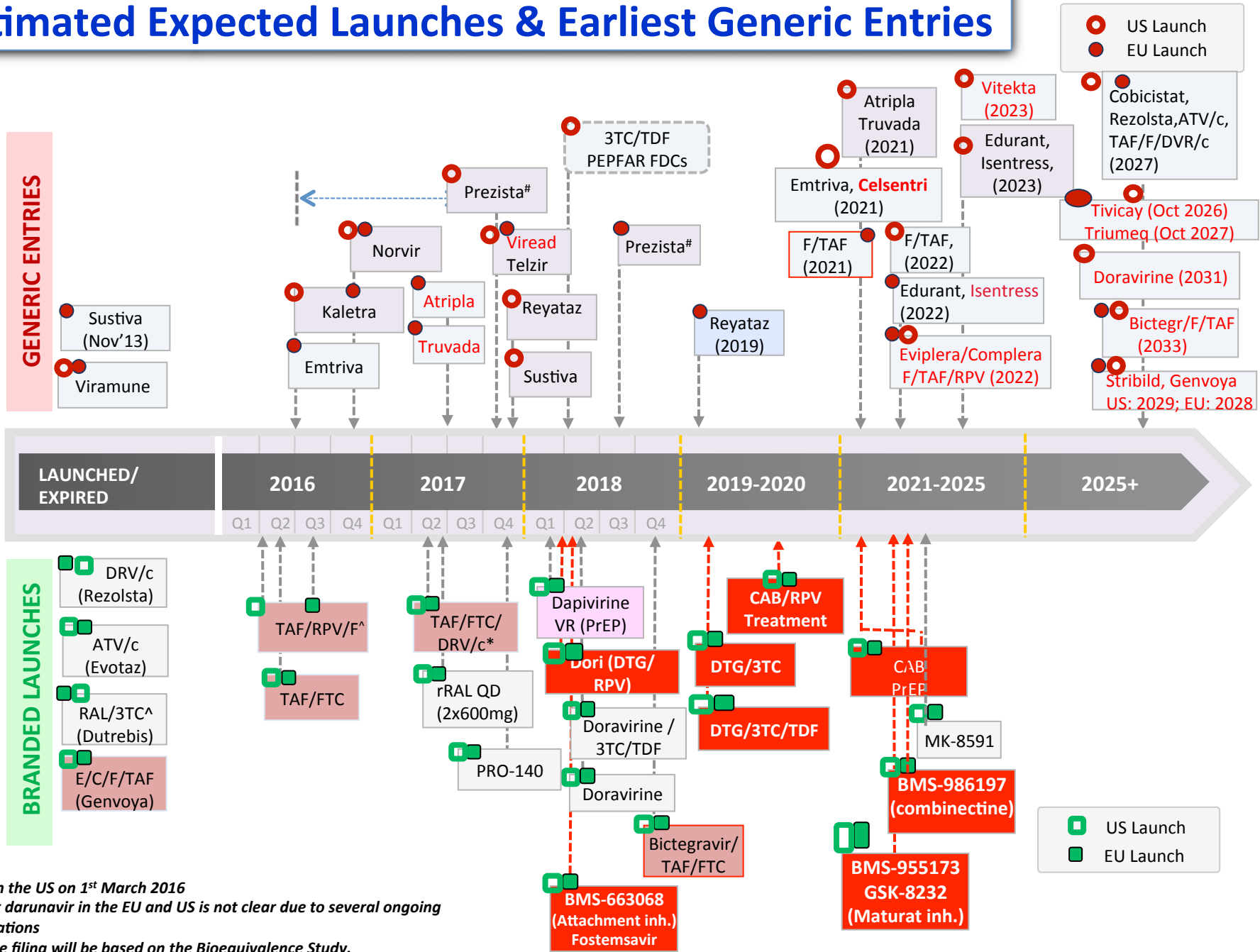


Antiretroviral treatment switch strategies for lowering the costs of antiretroviral therapy in subjects with suppressed HIV-1 viremia in Spain

Josep M Llibre, et al. 2013:5 215–221



Estimated Expected Launches & Earliest Generic Entries



^ Approved in the US on 1st March 2016

#Launch of gx darunavir in the EU and US is not clear due to several ongoing patent litigations

*Assuming the filing will be based on the Bioequivalence Study.

Note: Estimates for generic entry do not reflect a determination regarding the validity of underlying IP

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Efficacy and safety of contemporary dual-drug antiretroviral regimens as first-line treatment or as a simplification strategy: a systematic review and meta-analysis

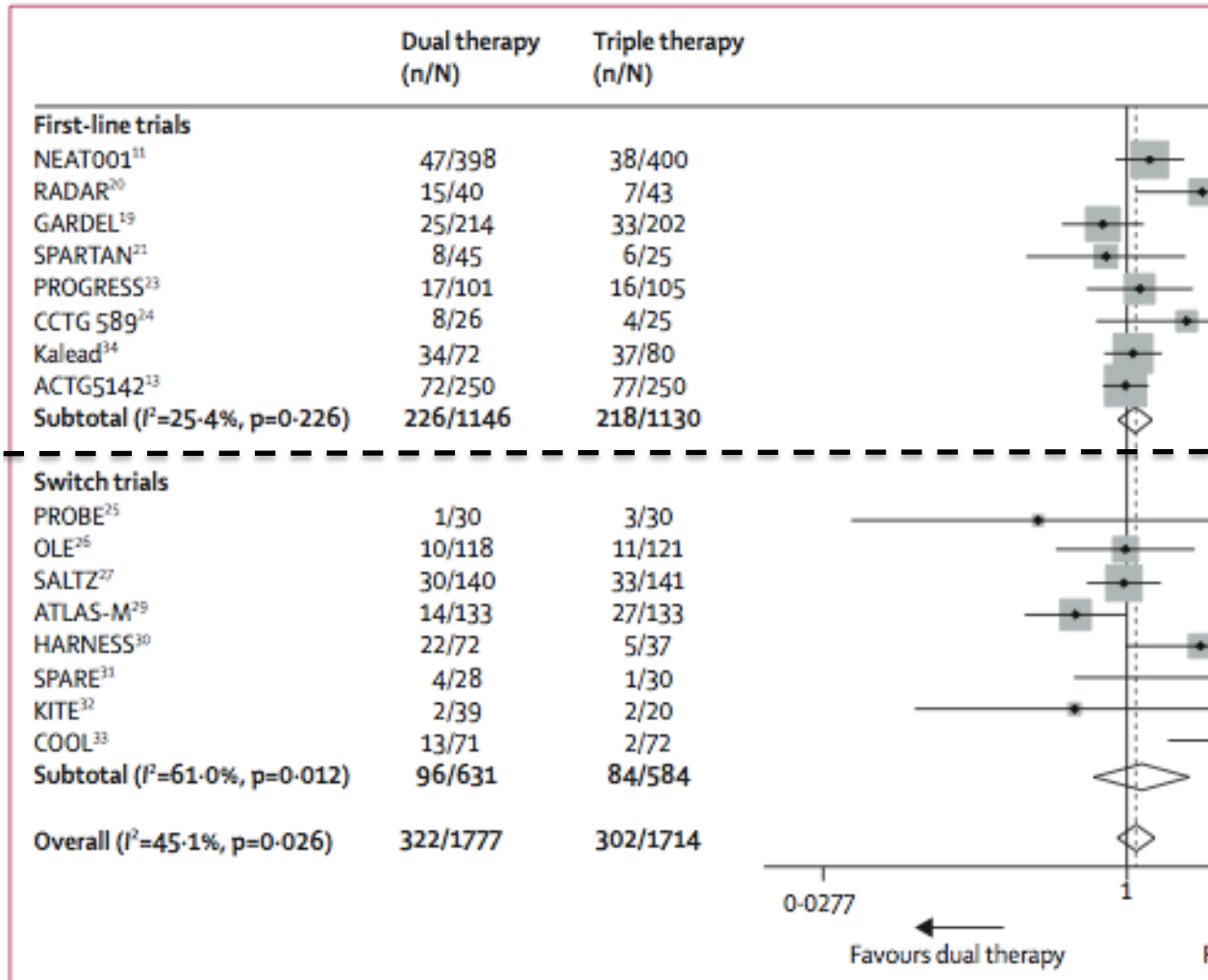
Amit C Achhra, Gwamaka Mwasakifwa, Janaki Amin, Mark A Boyd

Lancet HIV May 31, 2016

21 studies comparing dual-therapy (from two independent classes) antiretroviral regimens as a first-line or a switch strategy (in virologically suppressed individuals) with standard triple-drug regimens.

Study type and design: systematic review. All the trials meeting the eligibility criteria were included in the meta-analysis. The meta-analysis was based on a principled selection of studies and European countries, as detailed in the open relationship between the University of Cape Town and University College London.

Meta-analysis of the primary virological outcome* by trial type (first-line and switch studies), excluding maraviroc trials.



In first-line studies, the RR of failure for dual-therapy versus control groups was 1.05 (0.86-1.28; I2=26%)

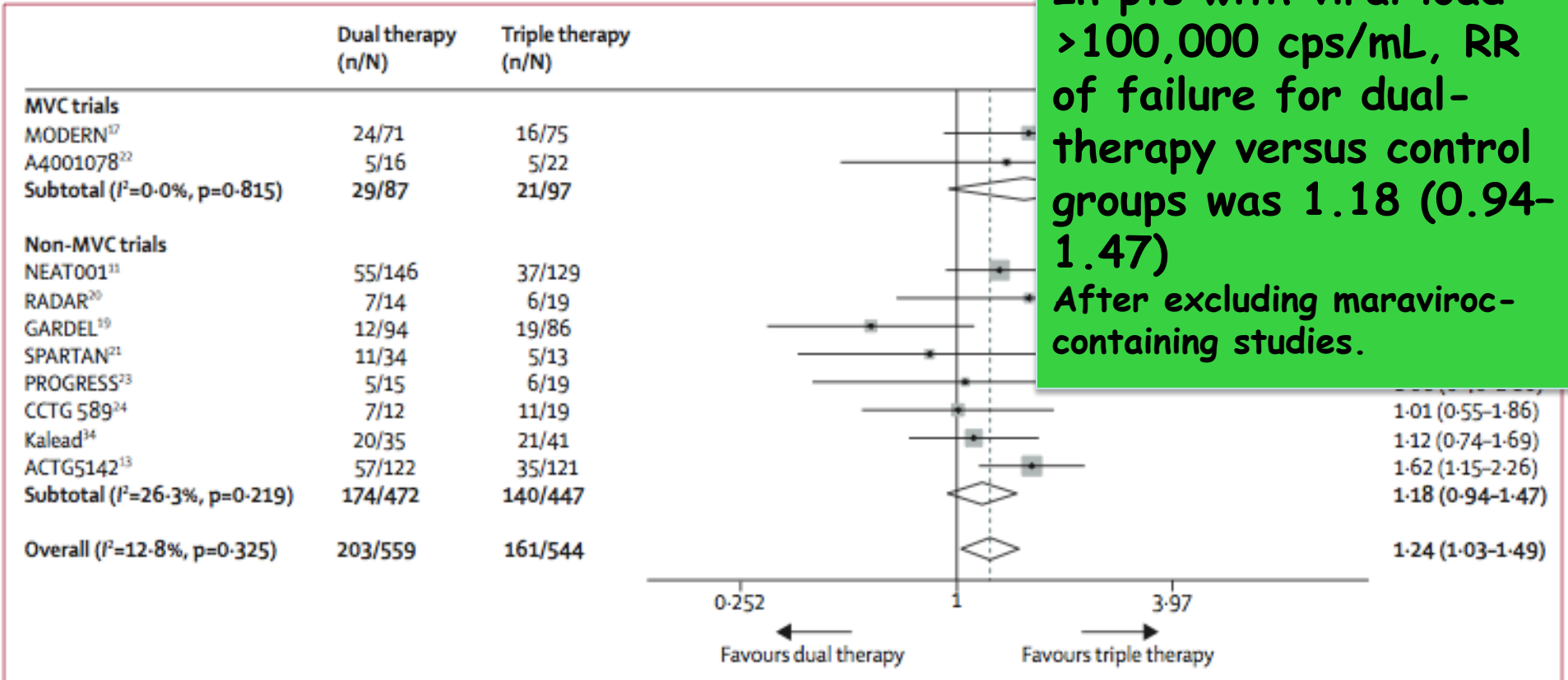
In switch studies, the RR of failure for dual-therapy versus control groups was 1.13 (0.64-1.99; I2=61%)

*Primary outcome: risk virological failure

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Meta-analysis of the primary virological outcome in naive patients with baseline viral loads of more than 100,000 copies per mL

1000
 100
 10
 1
 0.1
 0.01
 0.001
 0.0001
 0.00001



In pts with viral load >100,000 cps/mL, RR of failure for dual-therapy versus control groups was 1.18 (0.94-1.47) After excluding maraviroc-containing studies.

Efficacy and safety of contemporary first-line antiretroviral regimens as first-line treatment strategy: a systematic review and meta-analysis

Amit C Achhra, Gwamaka Mwasakifwa, Janaki Amin, et al.

Dual therapy with a greater risk of selecting resistance mutations compared with standard triple therapy.

	Primary virological outcome	SAEs	AEs	Resistance mutations
First-line	1.17 (0.94–1.47)	1.18 (0.90–1.53)	0.97 (0.65–1.45)	2.04 (1.23–3.39)
Switch*	1.14 (0.72–1.79)	1.19 (0.69–2.05)	0.55 (0.22–1.36)†	2.47 (0.78–7.86)
Overall	1.13 (0.91–1.40)	1.18 (0.93–1.49)	0.73 (0.46–1.16)†	2.11 (1.33–3.35)










Data are RR (95% CI) for the primary virological outcome, and OR (95% CI) for secondary outcomes (SAEs, AEs, and mutations). RR=relative risk, OR=odds ratio, SAE=serious adverse event, AE=adverse event. *We analysed the LATTE study as a switch strategy. †The exclusion of the COOL study further reduced to

Table 3. Summary of outcomes in the LATTE study

We recorded the ORs for dual-therapy versus control groups for serious adverse events (1.16 [0.92–1.48]), adverse events (0.82 [0.52–1.28]), and mutations (2.11 [1.32–3.36]).

Dual therapy in treatment-experienced HIV-positive individuals

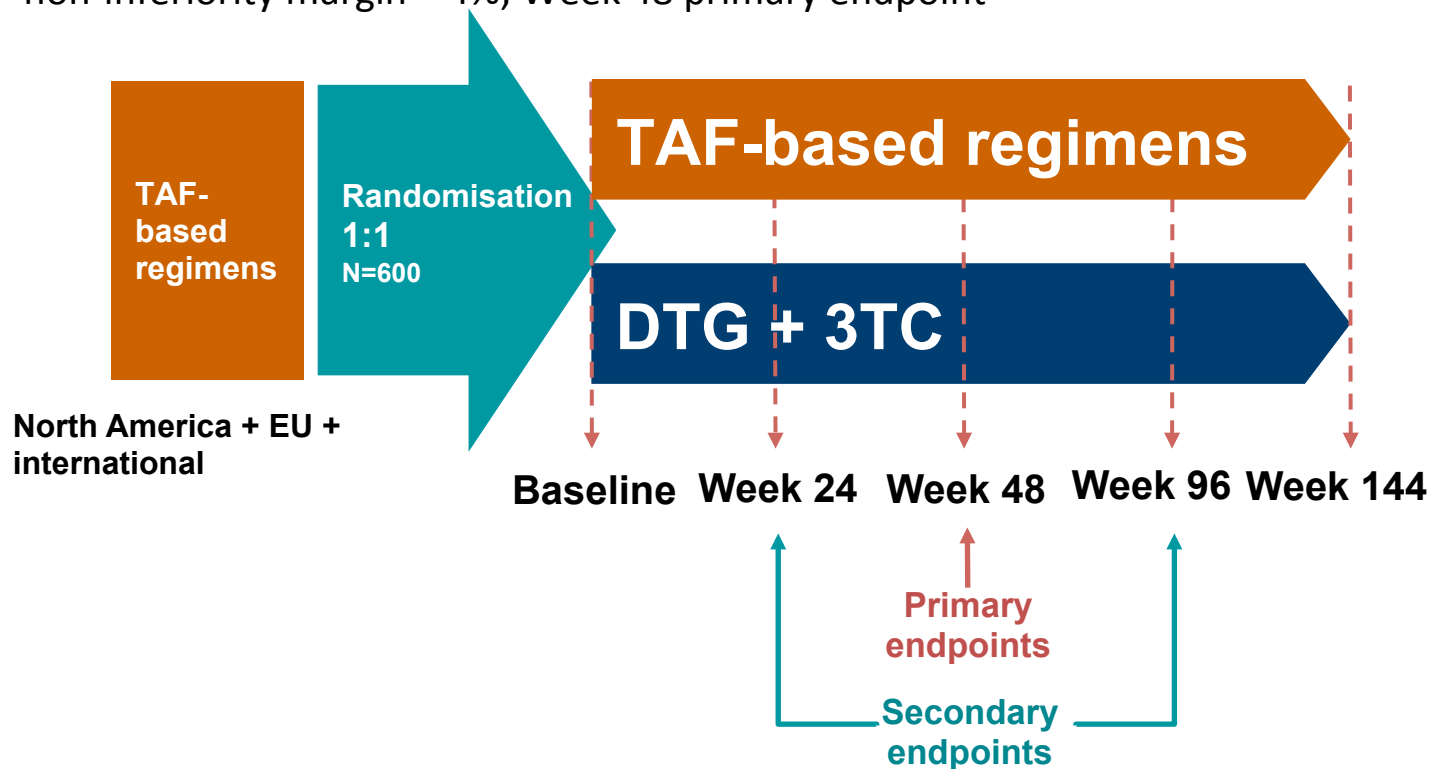
Virological Suppression

Study	N	Regimen	DUAL	Triple	
ATLAS-M^{1,2}	266	ATV/rtv + 3TC (96w)	87.4%	65.4 %	
SALT^{3,4}	286	ATV/rtv + 3TC (48w)	83.6 %	78.4 %	
NA⁵⁺	48	DRV/rtv + 3TC (48w)	98 %	/	
HARNESS¹	109	ATV/rtv + RAL (48w)	69,4%	86,5%	
MARCH^{2,3}	395	DRV/rtv + MVC (48w)	77,7 %	91,7 %	
DUAL Gesida	249	DRV/rtv + 3TC (48w)	89 %	93 %	
SWORD 1/2	513	DTG + RPV	95%	95%	
DOLULAM	27	DTG + 3TC (36w)	100%	/	
LAMIDOL	104	DTG + 3TC (48w)	97%	/	

TANGO: Switch Study Design

Phase III, randomised, multicentre, parallel-group, non-inferiority study

- **Objective:** to demonstrate non-inferior antiviral activity of switching to DTG + 3TC QD compared with continuation of current ARV regimen over 48 weeks in HIV-1-infected ART-experienced subjects
- **Primary endpoint:** the proportion of participants who meet the Snapshot virologic failure criteria at Week 48 using the ITT-E population
 - non-inferiority margin = 4%; Week 48 primary endpoint



STUDIO TANGO (204862) - Protocollo emend. 1 del 06 Mag 2017

INCLUSION CRITERIA

Documented evidence of at least two plasma HIV-1 RNA measurements <50 c/mL in the 12 months prior to Screening

Plasma HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL at Screening.










Must be on uninterrupted ART for at least 6 months prior to screening

EXCLUSIONARY CRITERIA PRIOR TO SCREENING OR DAY 1

1. Any evidence of major NRTI mutation or presence of any DTG resistance mutation
2. **Within the 6 to 12 month** window prior to Screening any plasma HIV-1 RNA measurement >200 c/mL. or 2 or more plasma HIV-1 RNA measurements ≥50 c/mL.
3. **Within 6 months** prior to Screening any plasma HIV-1 RNA measurement ≥50 c/mL.
4. Any drug holiday during the 6 months prior to Screening
5. Any history of switch to another regimen due to virologic failure to therapy (defined as a confirmed plasma HIV-1 RNA ≥400 c/mL.)

Dual therapy in treatment-naïve HIV-positive individuals

Virological Suppression

Study	N	Regimen	DUAL	Triple	
MODERN	797	DRV/rtv +MVC (48W)	87.3%	86.4 %	
A4001078	121	ATV/rtv +MVC (48w)	74.6 %	83.6 %	
MIDAS	24	DRV/rtv + MVC (48w)	91.7 %	/	
NEAT 001	805	DRV/rtv + RAL (96w)	82.2 %	86.2 %	
ACTG5262	112	DRV/rtv + RAL (24w)	61 %	/	
RADAR	85	DRV/rtv + RAL (48w)	62.5 %	83.7 %	
PROGRESS	206	LPV/rtv + RAL (96w)	66.3 %	68.4 %	
SPARTAN	93	ATV + RAL BID (24w)	74.6 %	63.3 %	
GEMINI 1/2	700	DTG + 3TC			?
Paddle*	20	DTG + 3TC (48W)	90%	/	

*One pt with SAE and one PDVF (virological failure as defined by protocol)

ACTG A5353: A Pilot Study of Dolutegravir (DTG) + Lamivudine (3TC) for Initial Treatment of HIV-1-Infected Participants With HIV-1 RNA <500,000 copies/mL

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Study Objective and Primary Outcome: FDA Snapshot at Week 24

- Phase II, single-arm, 52-week, pilot study of DTG 50 mg + 3TC 300 mg daily in treatment-naïve participants with VL ≥ 1000 and $< 500,000$ cpm

	Baseline HIV-1 RNA		
	>100,000 cpm N=37	$\leq 100,000$ cpm N=83	Total N=120
Virologic success	33 (89%)	75 (90%)	108 (90%)
HIV-1 RNA < 50 cpm [95% CI, %]	[75%,97%]	[82%,96%]	[83%,95%]
Virologic non-success	3 (8%)	2 (2%)	5 (4%)
HIV-1 RNA ≥ 50 cpm	3	0	3
Discontinued study treatment for other reasons while HIV RNA $\geq 50^*$	0	2	2
No virologic data in window	1 (3%)	6 (7%)	7 (6%)
Discontinued study treatment for other reasons [#]	1	5	6
On study but missing data in window	0	1	1

*Poor adherence; #Lost to follow-up, pregnancy

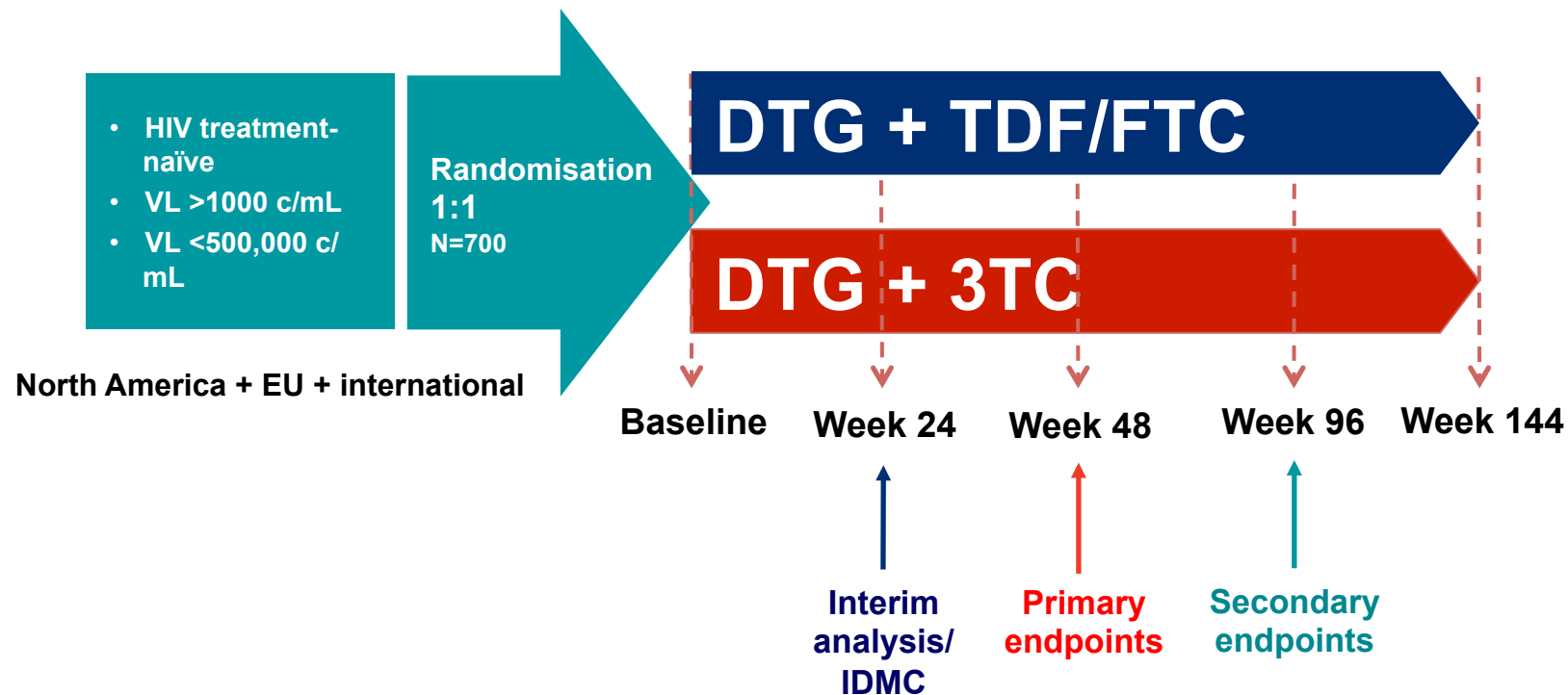
[95% Confidence intervals] for proportion of participants with virologic success at Week 24.

GEMINI-1 and -2: Study Design



Phase III, randomised, double-blind, multicentre, non-inferiority study^{1,2}

- **Objective:** to demonstrate the non-inferior antiviral activity of DTG + 3TC QD compared with DTG + TDF/FTC QD over 48 weeks in HIV-1-infected ART-naïve subjects^{1,2}
- **Primary endpoint:** the proportion of subjects with plasma HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL at Week 48 using the FDA snapshot algorithm (missing, switch or discontinuation = failure)^{1,2}
 - non-inferiority margin: 10%^{1,2}



STUDI GEMINI (204861 & 205543)

TYPE OF SUBJECT AND DIAGNOSIS INCLUDING DISEASE SEVERITY

1. Screening plasma HIV-1 RNA of 1000 c/mL to $\leq 100,000$ c/mL. If an independent review of accumulated data from other clinical trials investigating the DTG plus 3TC dual regimen is supportive of the DTG plus 3TC treatment regimen, enrolment will be opened to subjects with Screening plasma HIV-1 RNA of 1000 c/mL to $\leq 500,000$ c/mL

LABORATORY VALUES OR CLINICAL ASSESSMENTS AT SCREENING

1. Any evidence of pre-existing viral resistance
2. Any verified Grade 4 laboratory abnormality
3. Any acute laboratory abnormality at Screening, which, in the opinion of the Investigator, would preclude the subject's participation in the study of an investigational compound.
4. Alanine aminotransferase (ALT) ≥ 5 times the upper limit of normal (ULN) or ALT $\geq 3 \times$ ULN and bilirubin $\geq 1.5 \times$ ULN (with $>35\%$ direct bilirubin);
5. Creatinine clearance of <50 mL/min/1.73 m² via the Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration (CKD-EPI) method.

GEMINI-1 and -2: Objectives



Primary objective^{1,2}

To demonstrate the non-inferior antiviral activity of DTG + 3TC QD compared with DTG + TDF/FTC QD over 48 weeks in HIV-1-infected ART-naïve subjects

Secondary objectives^{1,2}

Antiviral activity of DTG + 3TC versus DTG + TDF/FTC at Weeks 24, 96 and 144

DTG + 3TC compared with DTG + TDF/FTC: effects on renal and bone biomarkers

Antiviral activity, immunological effects and disease progression up to study completion of ~7 years

Effects on fasting lipids

Viral resistance in subjects meeting CVW criteria

Change in health-related QoL

Safety and tolerability over time

Effect of patient characteristics on response to DTG + 3TC or DTG + TDF/FTC over time

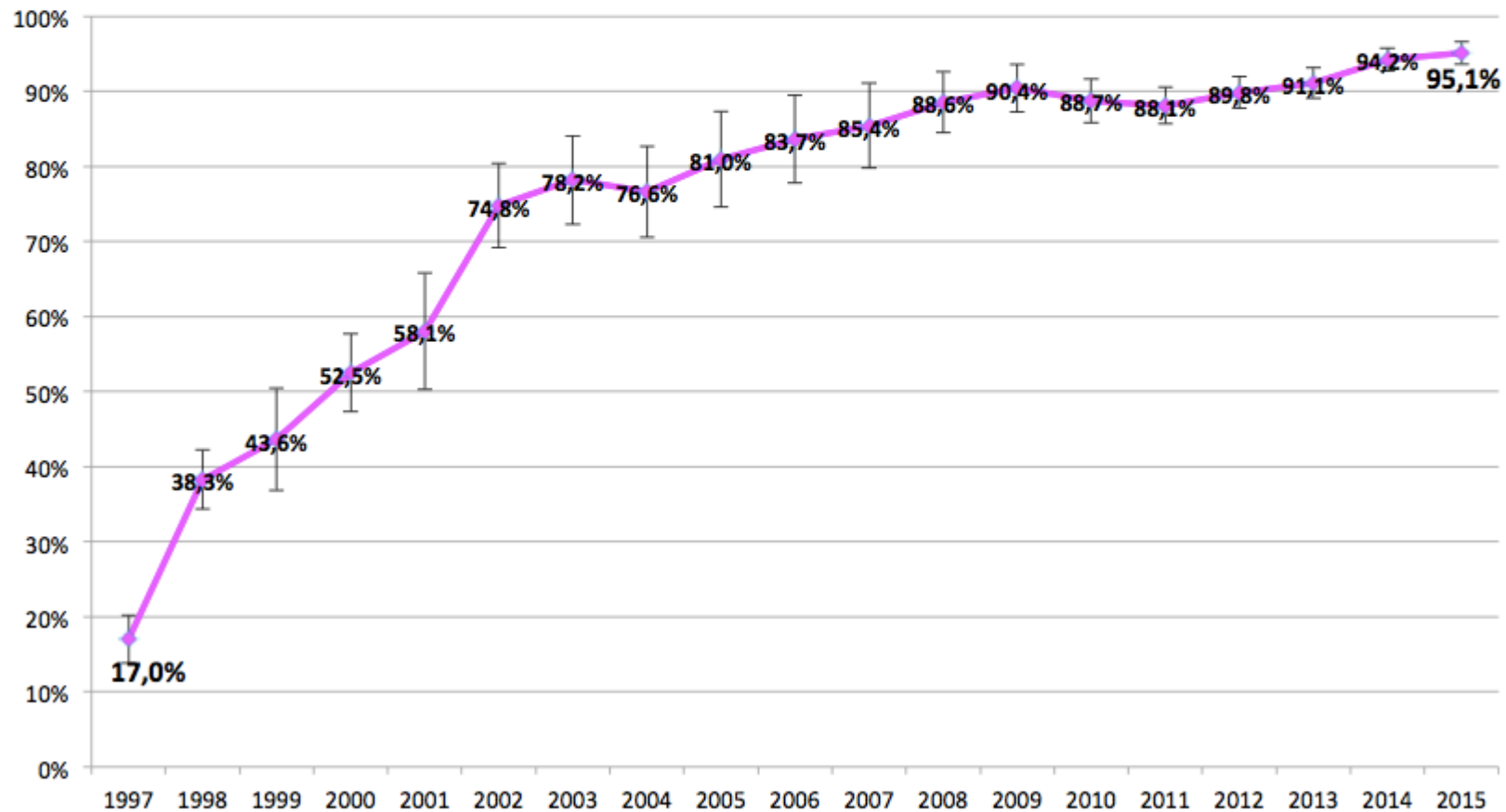
CVW, confirmed virologic withdrawal

1. GEMINI-1. Available from: <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT02831673>. Accessed May 2017

2. GEMINI-2. Available from: <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT02831764>. Accessed May 2017

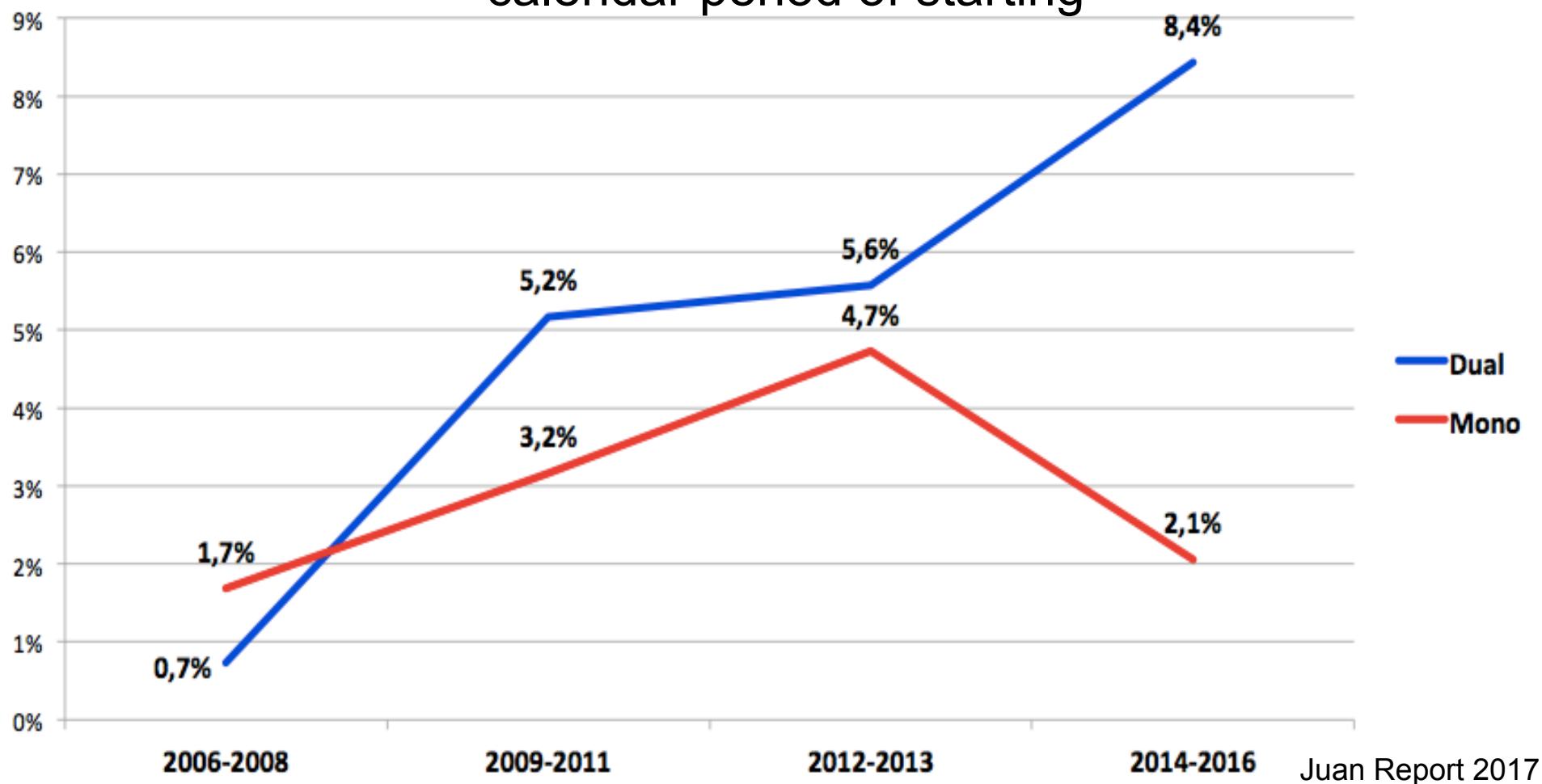


Proportion of patients with a VL \leq 80 copies/mL at 12 months from starting their first ART regimen by calendar year of initiation



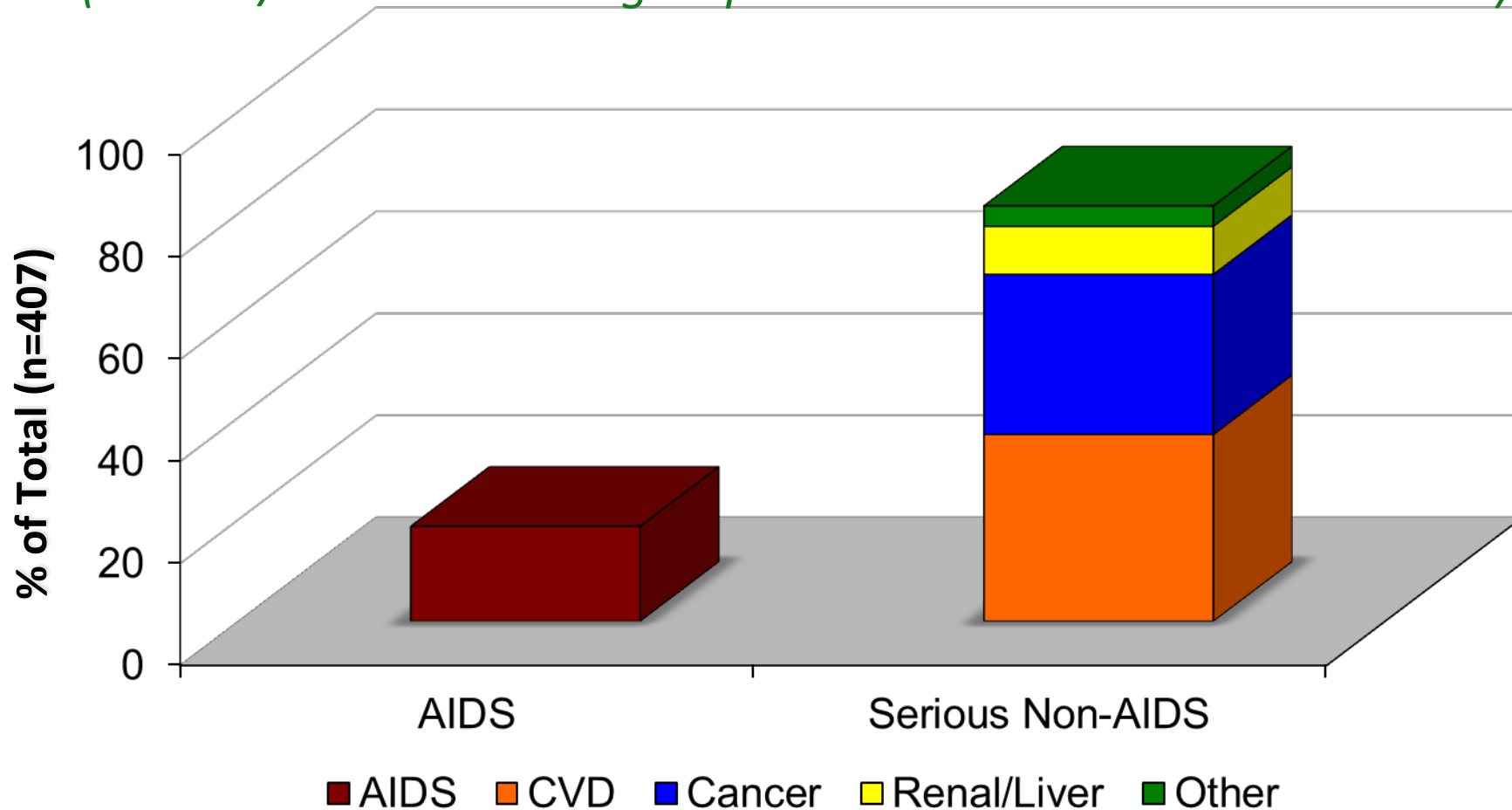


Proportion of Mono/Dual therapies according to calendar period of starting



Events in ART-Treated Patients are largely Non-AIDS

(SMART/ESPRIT control groups: randomized to continuous ART)



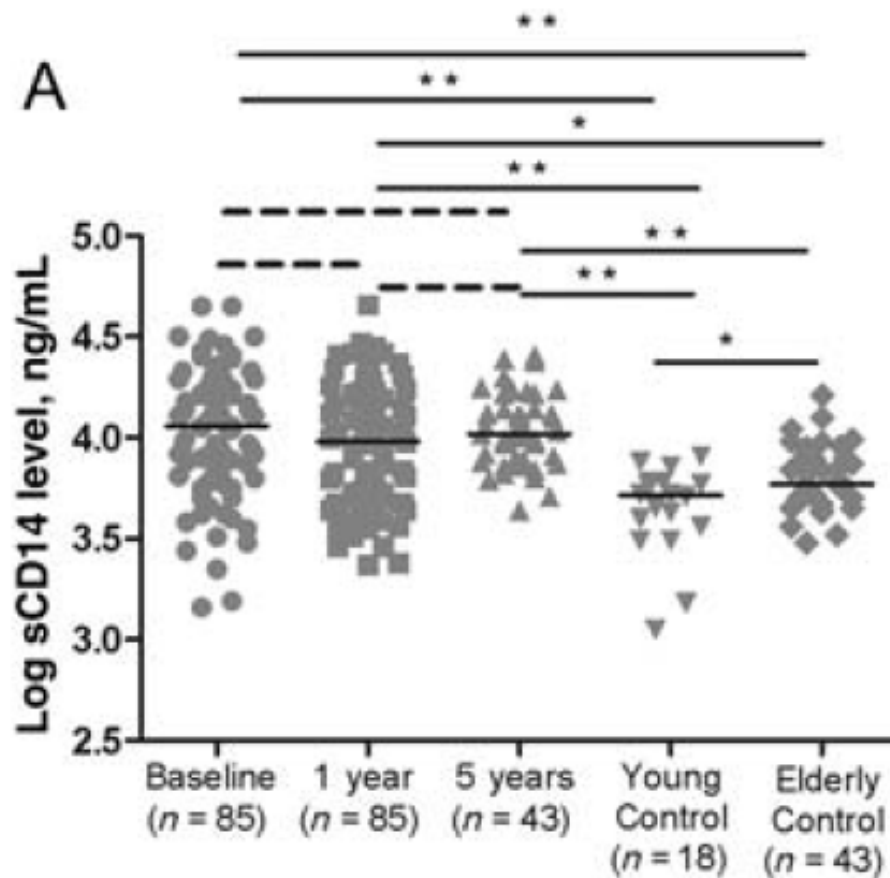
INSIGHT SMART & ESPRIT Study Groups

AIDS 2010; 24(12):1877, NEJM 2006; 355:2283-2296, Ann Int Med 2008; 149:289-299



February 4, 2013

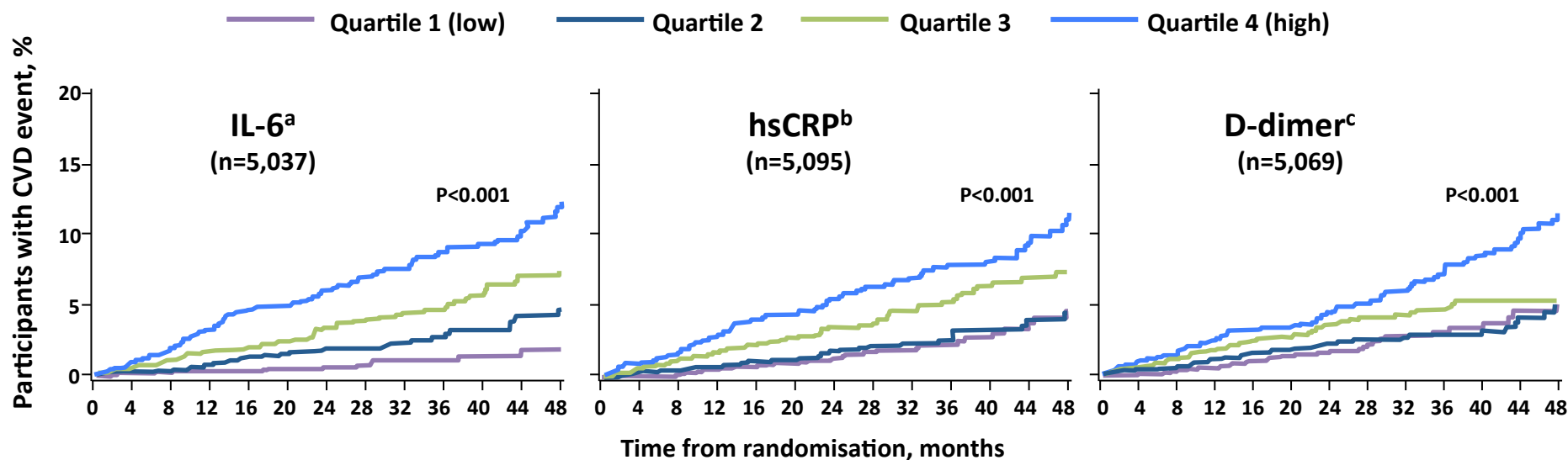
Long-Term Suppressive Combined Antiretroviral Treatment Does Not Normalize the Serum Level of Soluble CD14



HIV-infected group displayed a significantly higher sCD14 level at baseline (ie, before cART initiation), 1 year and 5 years after cART initiation, compared with both control groups.

Elevated inflammatory biomarkers are associated with increased CVD risk in HIV-positive patients

Cumulative percent of participants developing CVD, by biomarker quartile levels (SMART Study, 2002–2006)



hsCRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; IL-6, interleukin 6

^a IL-6 quartiles are <1.10, 1.10–1.76, 1.77–3.01, >3.01 pg/mL; ^b hsCRP quartiles are <0.72, 0.72–1.71, 1.72–4.17, >4.17 μg/mL;

^c D-dimer quartiles are <0.13, 0.13–0.21, 0.22–0.37, >0.37 μg/mL

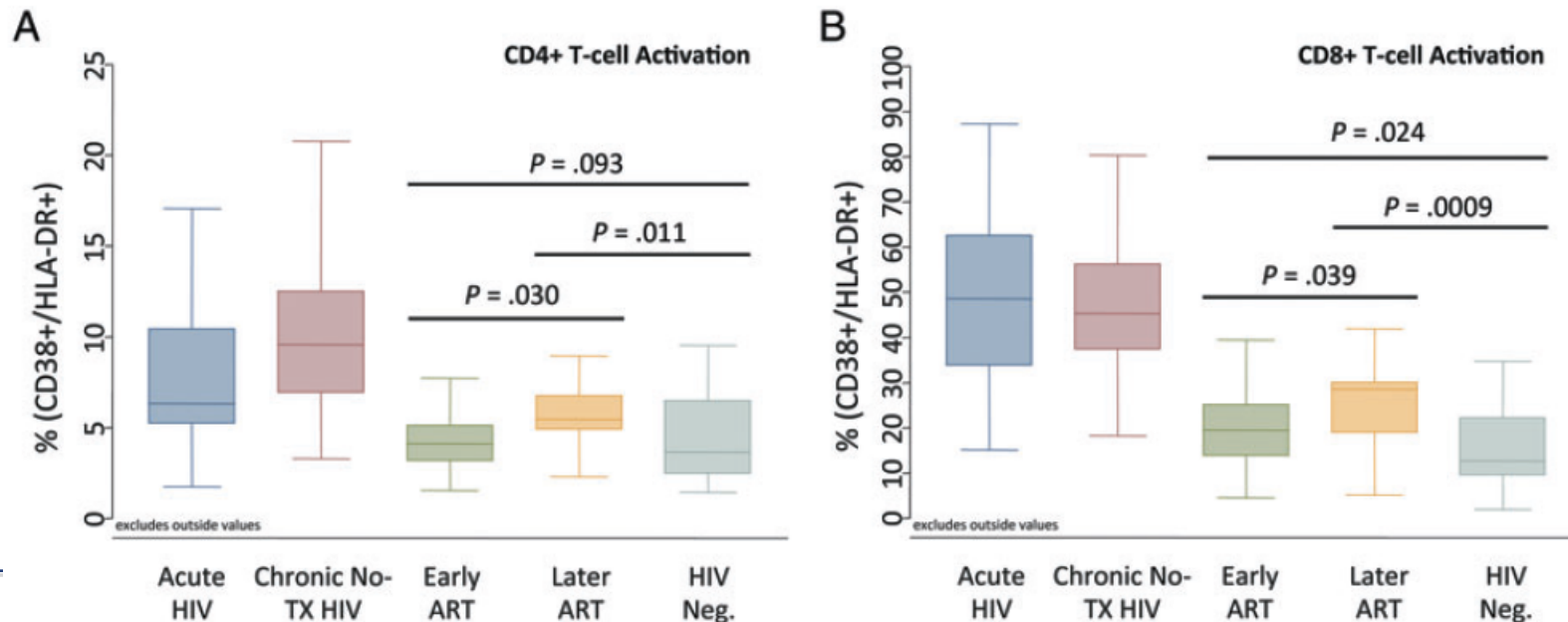


Antiretroviral Therapy Initiated Within 6 Months of HIV Infection Is Associated With Lower T-Cell Activation and Smaller HIV Reservoir Size

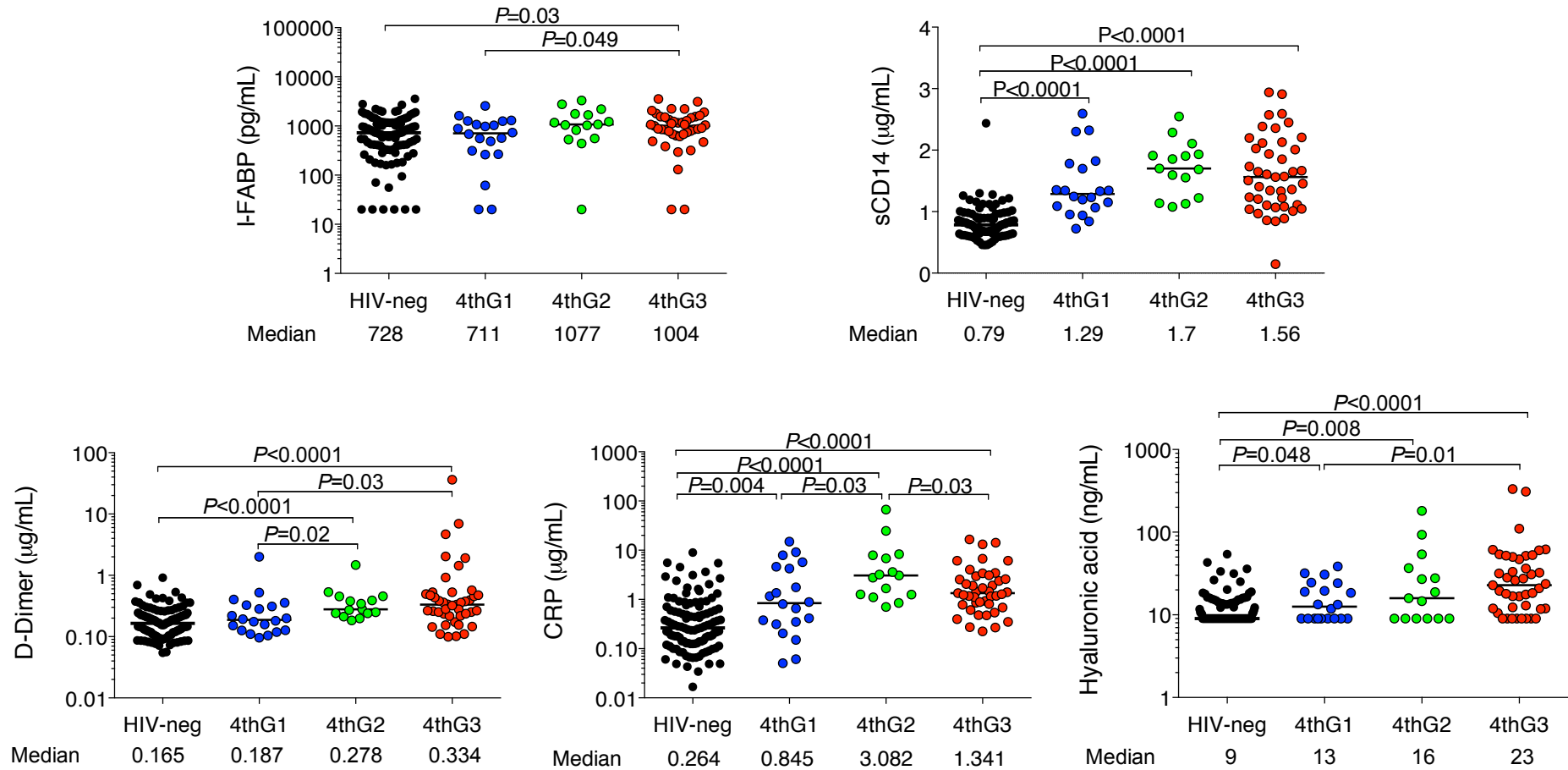
2013:208 (15 October) 1202

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ART initiation <6 months after infection is associated with lower levels of CD4+ and CD8+ T-cell activation



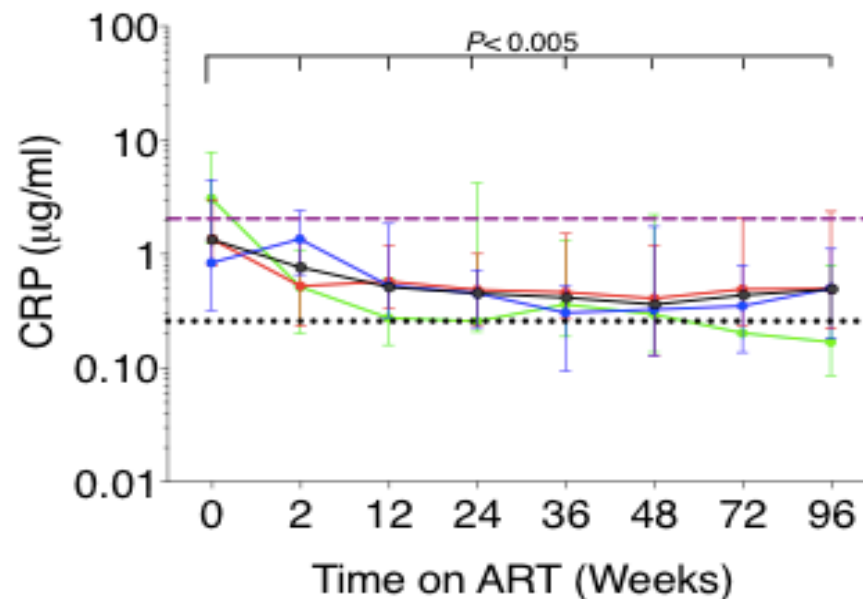
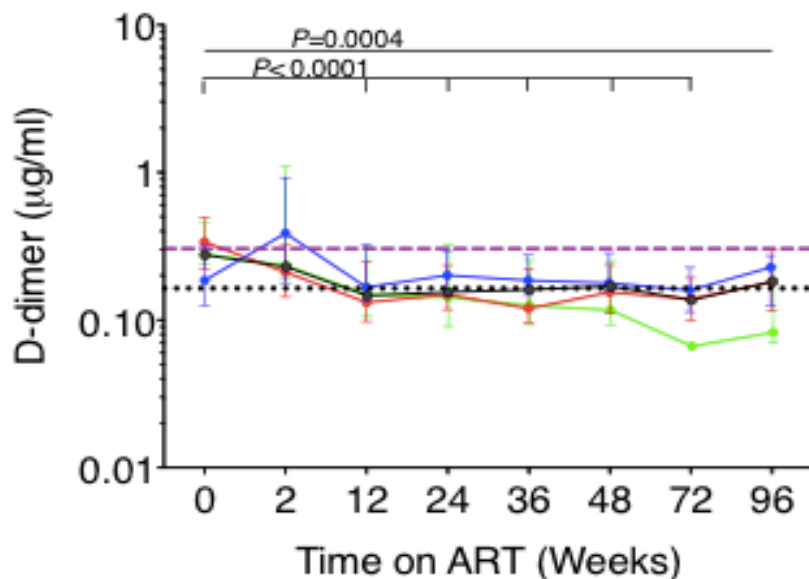
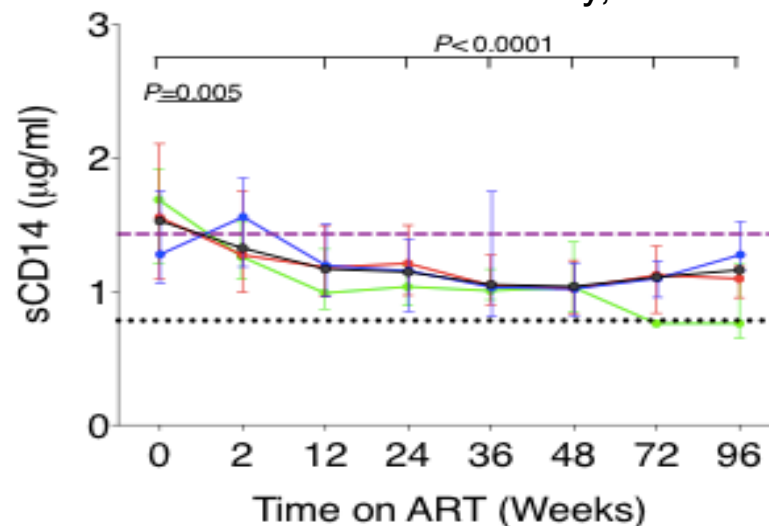
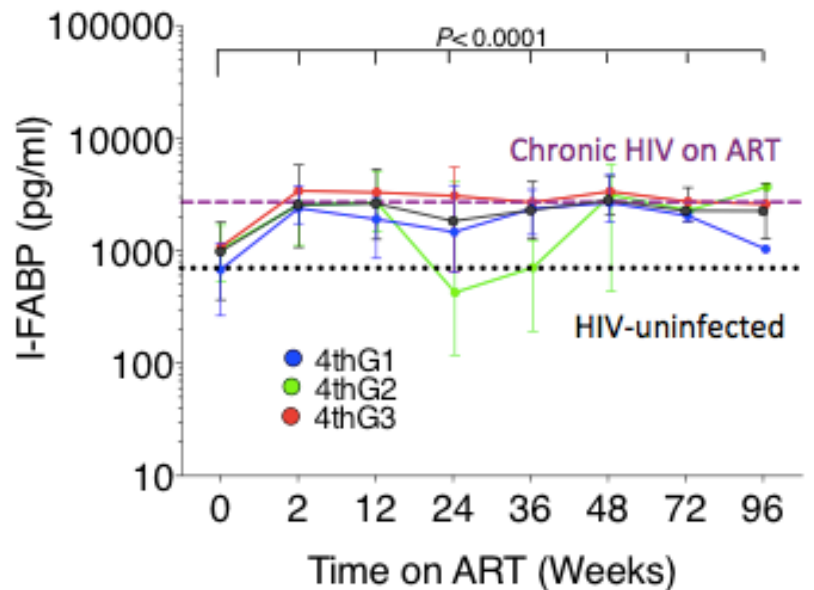
Inflammatory Biomarkers at Diagnosis of Acute HIV Infection



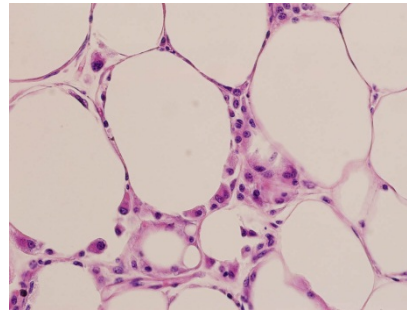
Compared to healthy controls, subjects with all stages of acute HIV infection have increased CRP, sCD14, and HA levels, and subjects with later stages of acute HIV infection have increased D-dimer and I-FABP levels.

Inflammation persists despite early initiation of ART in acute HIV infection

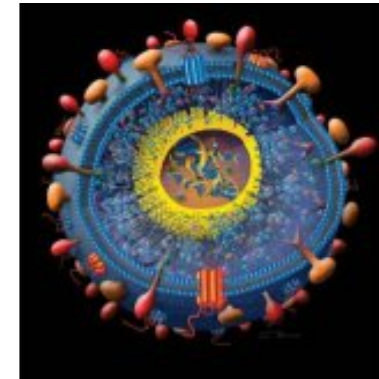
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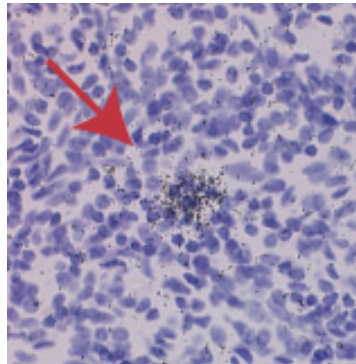
HIV-associated fat Metabolic syndrome



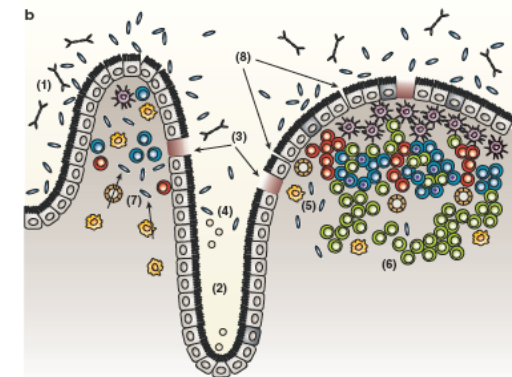
CMV- HCV Excess pathogens



HIV production HIV replication

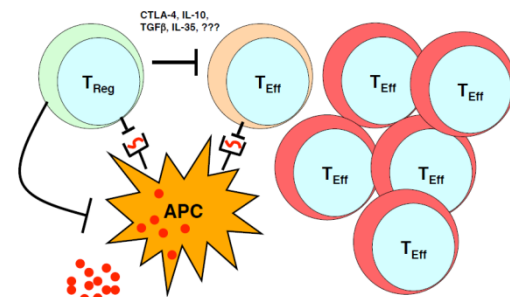


Inflammation
↑ Endothelium adhesion
↑ Monocyte activation
Dyslipidemia
Hypercoagulation/
thrombotic events
Endothelial dysfunction



Microbial translocation

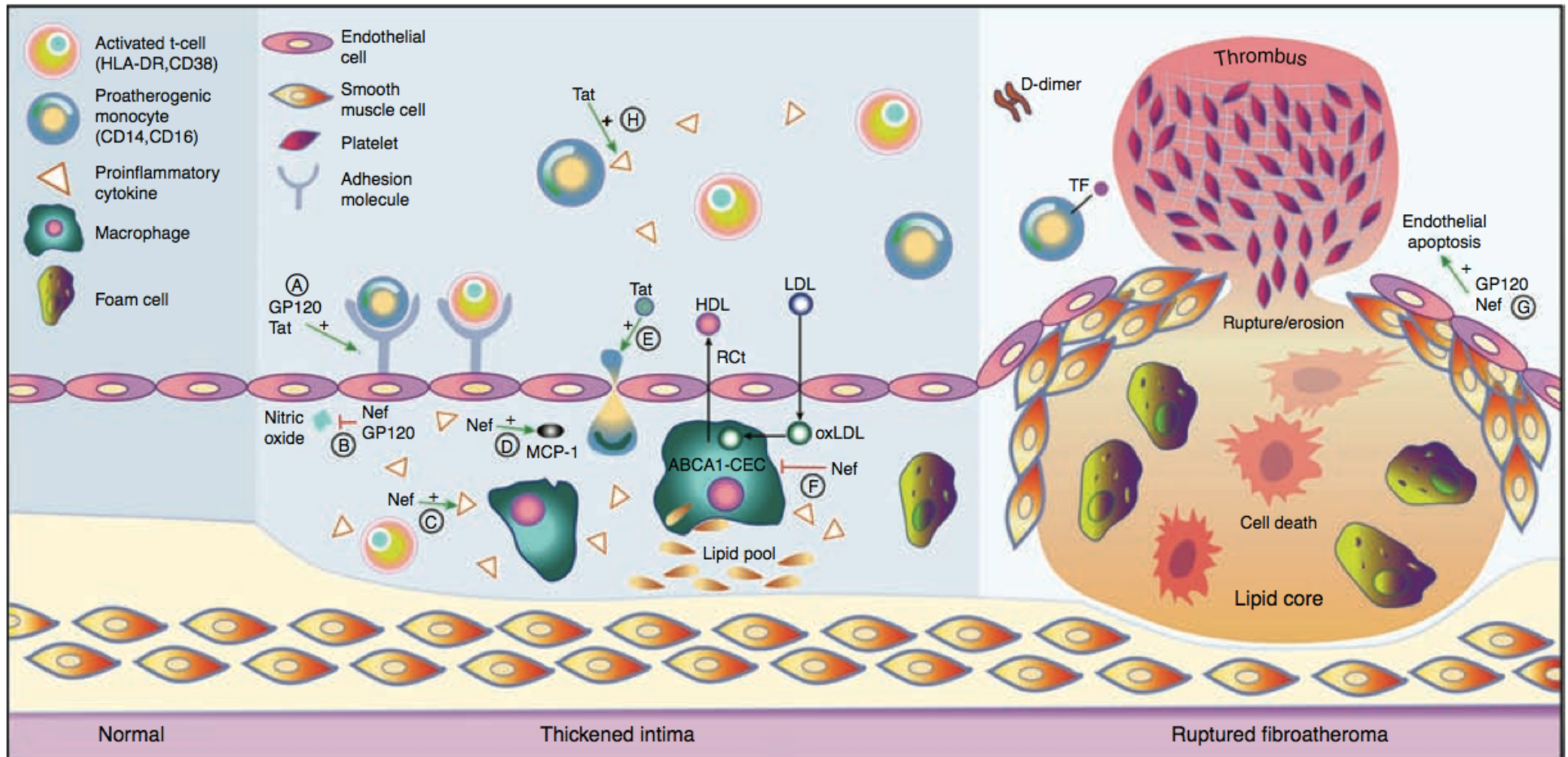
**Increased incidence
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and clinical disease**

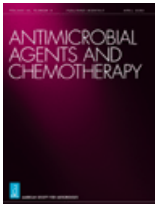


HIV-mediated loss of regulatory cells (Tregs)



Effects of HIV viral proteins on the development of atherosclerosis



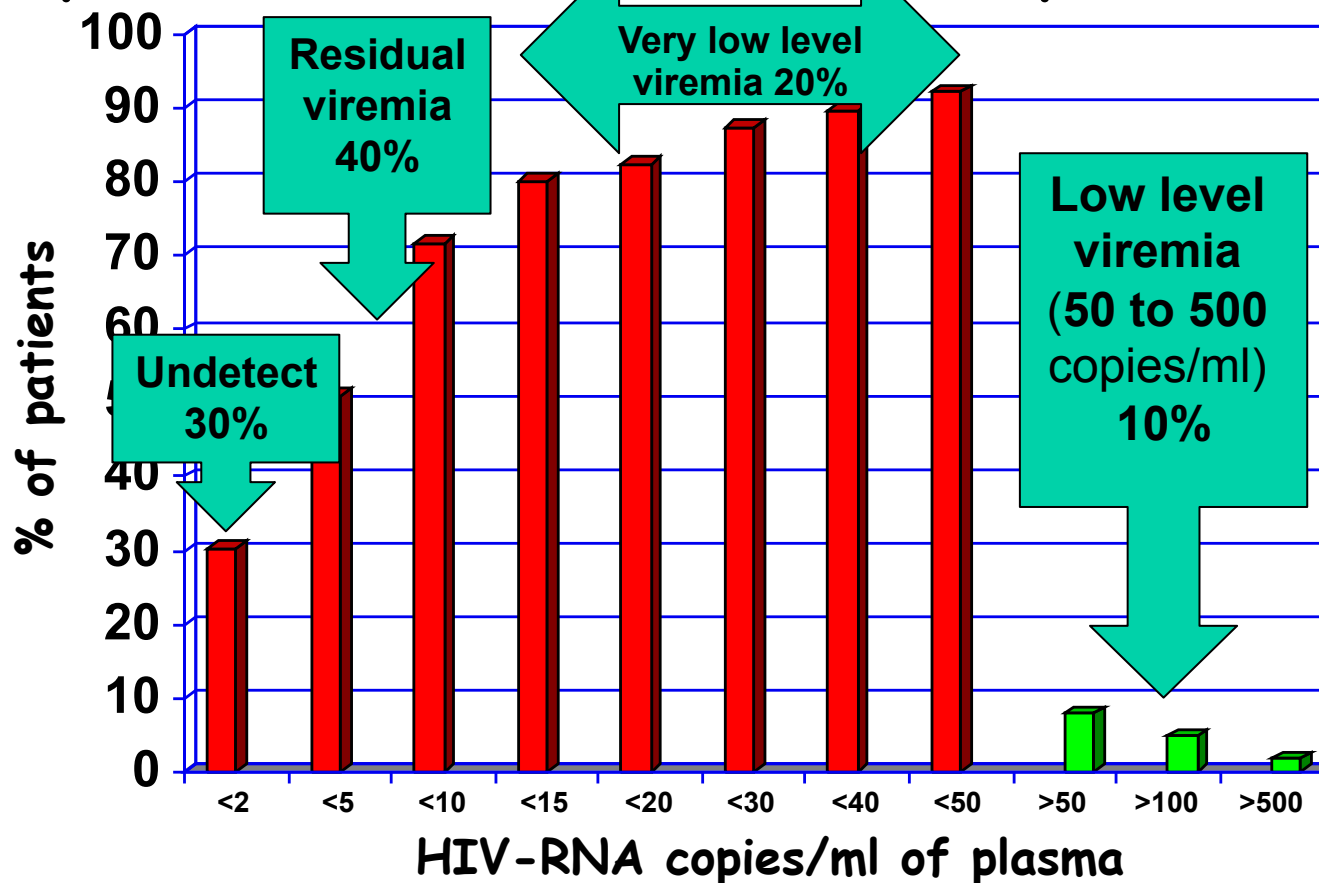


Nevirapine use, prolonged antiretroviral therapy and high CD4 nadir values are strongly correlated with undetectable HIV-DNA and -RNA levels and CD4 cell gain

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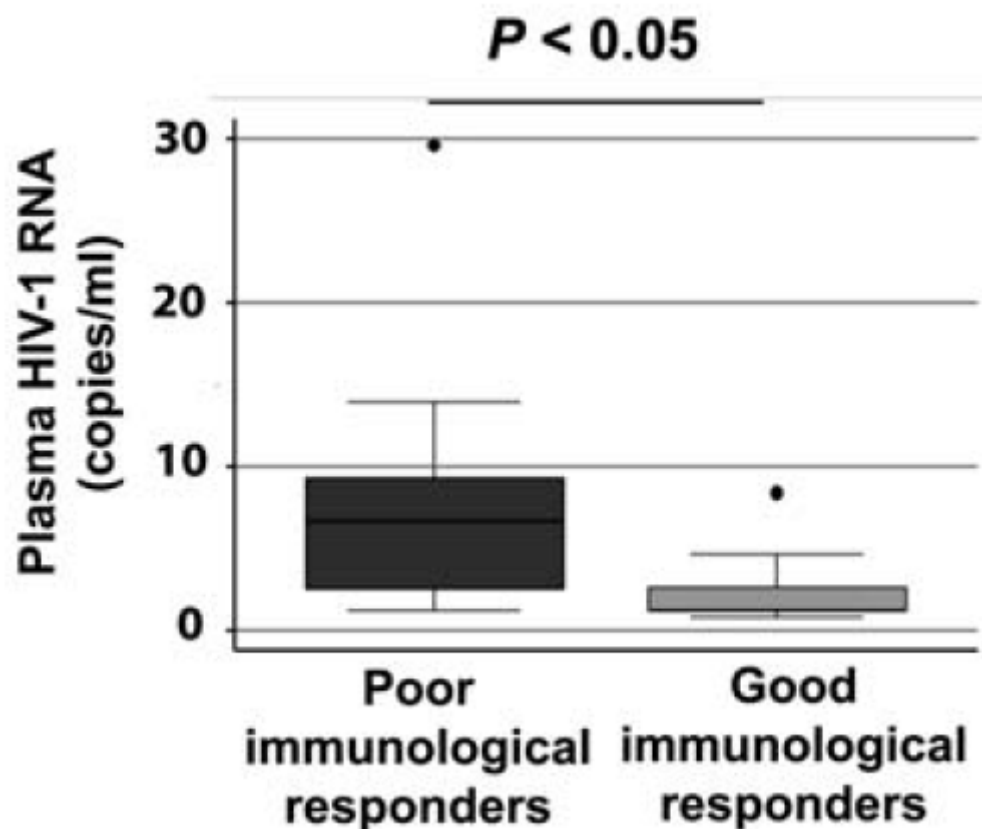
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Detection of viral load by ultrasensitive method in 420 patients with <50 HIV-RNA copies/ml

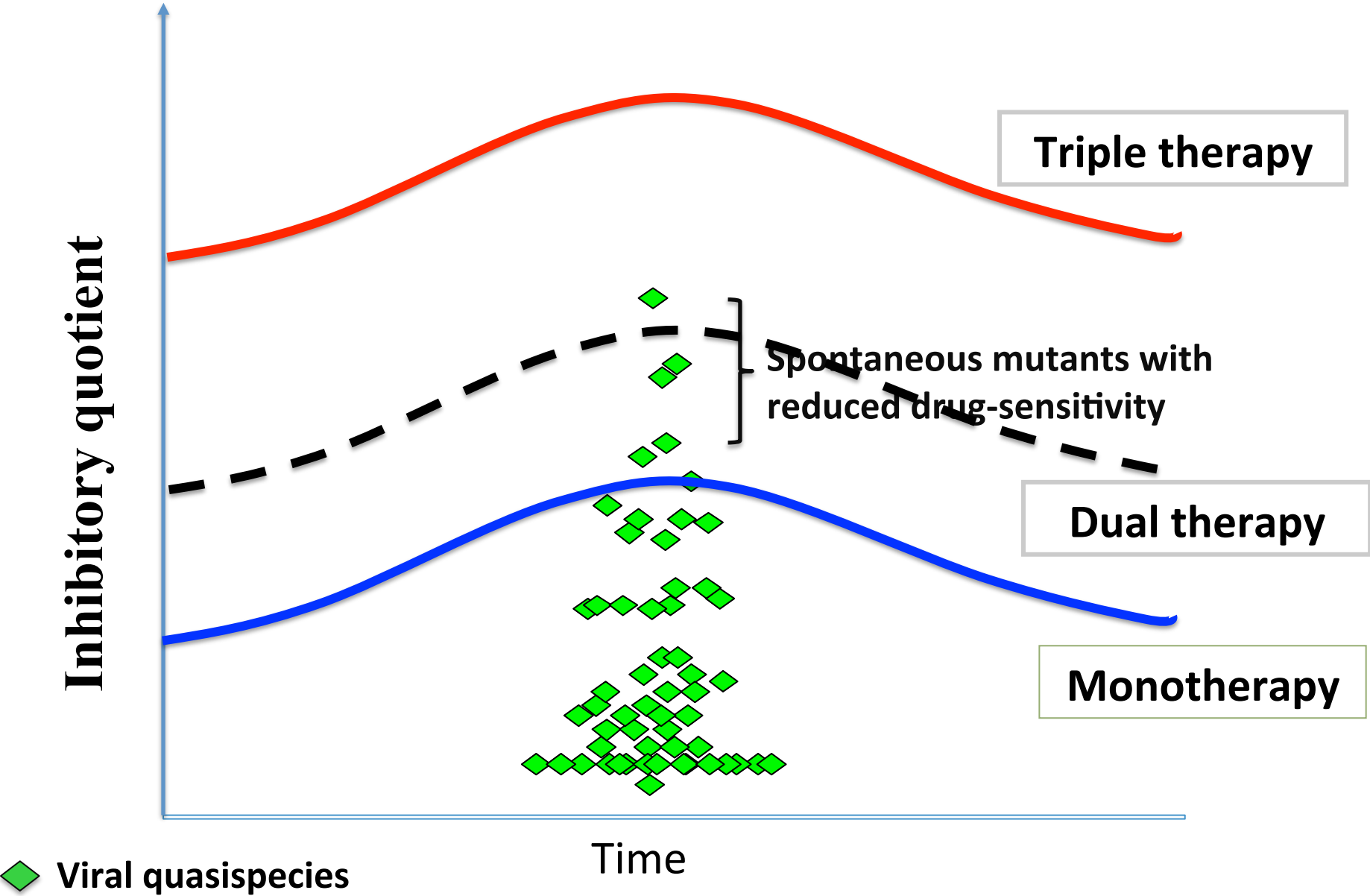


HIV-1 Residual Viremia Correlates with Persistent T-Cell Activation in Poor Immunological Responders to Combination Antiretroviral Therapy

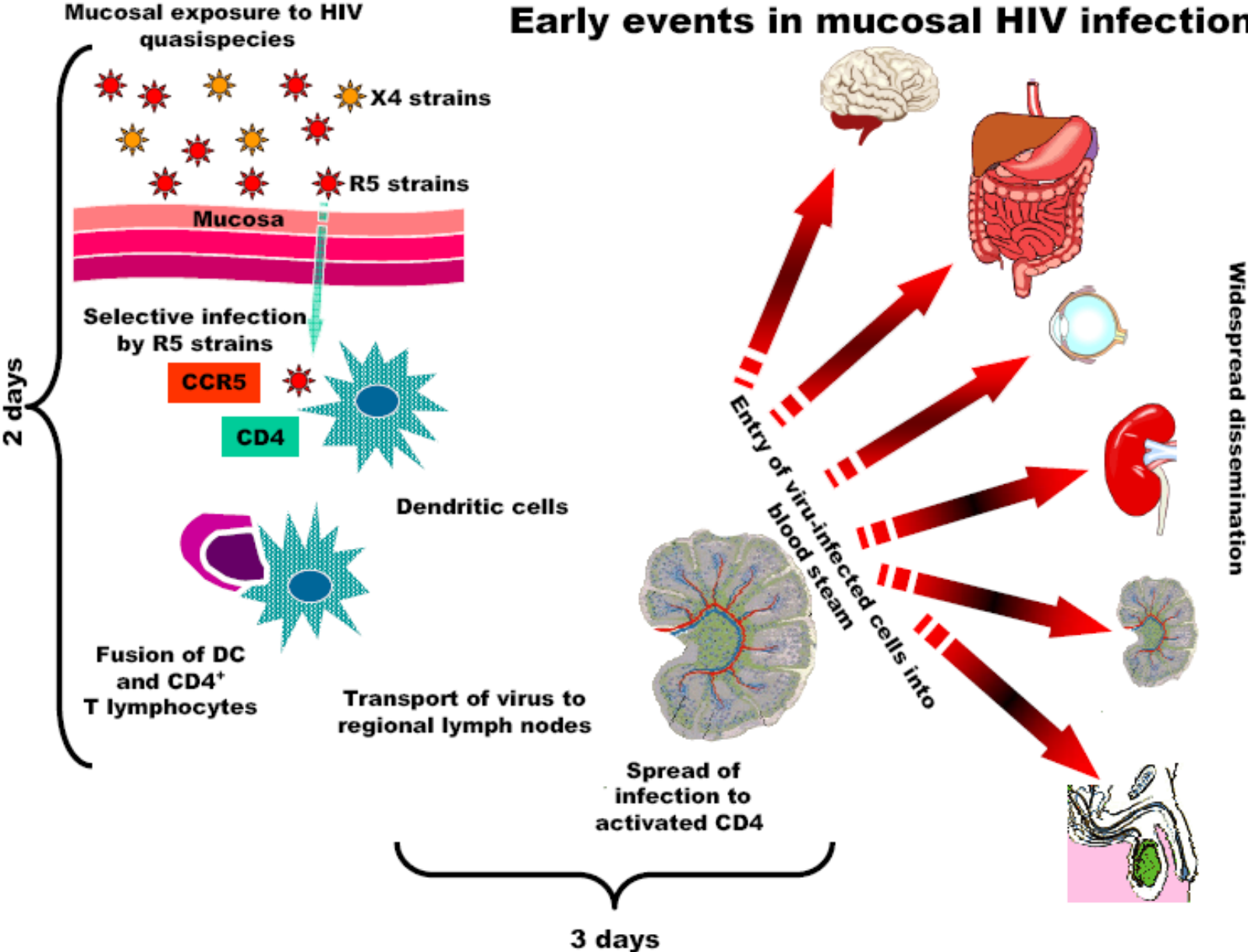
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Dual Therapy: reaching clinical evidence

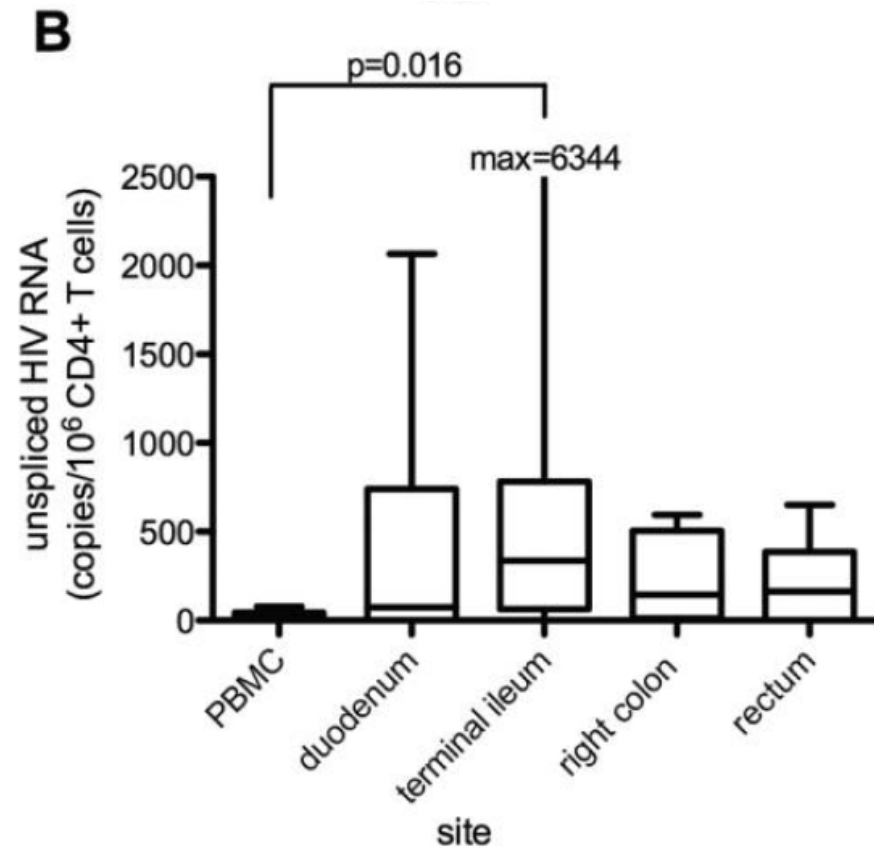
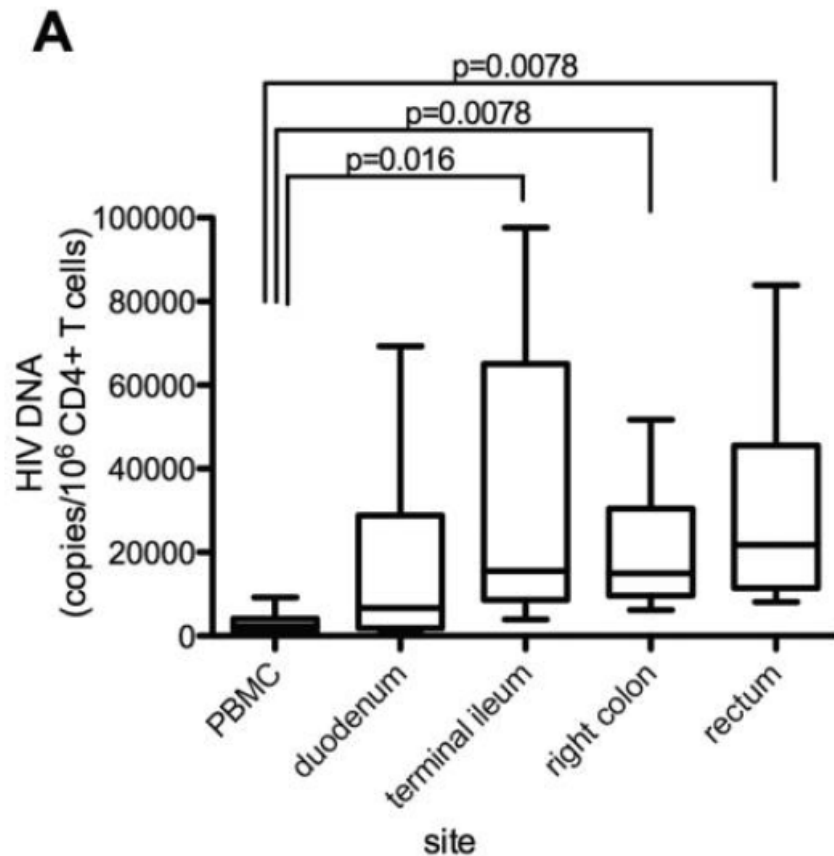


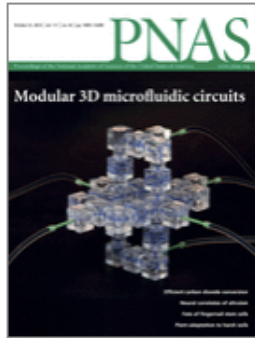
Early events in mucosal HIV infection





HIV DNA and RNA levels per CD4+ T cell were higher in all 4 gut sites compared with those in the blood.





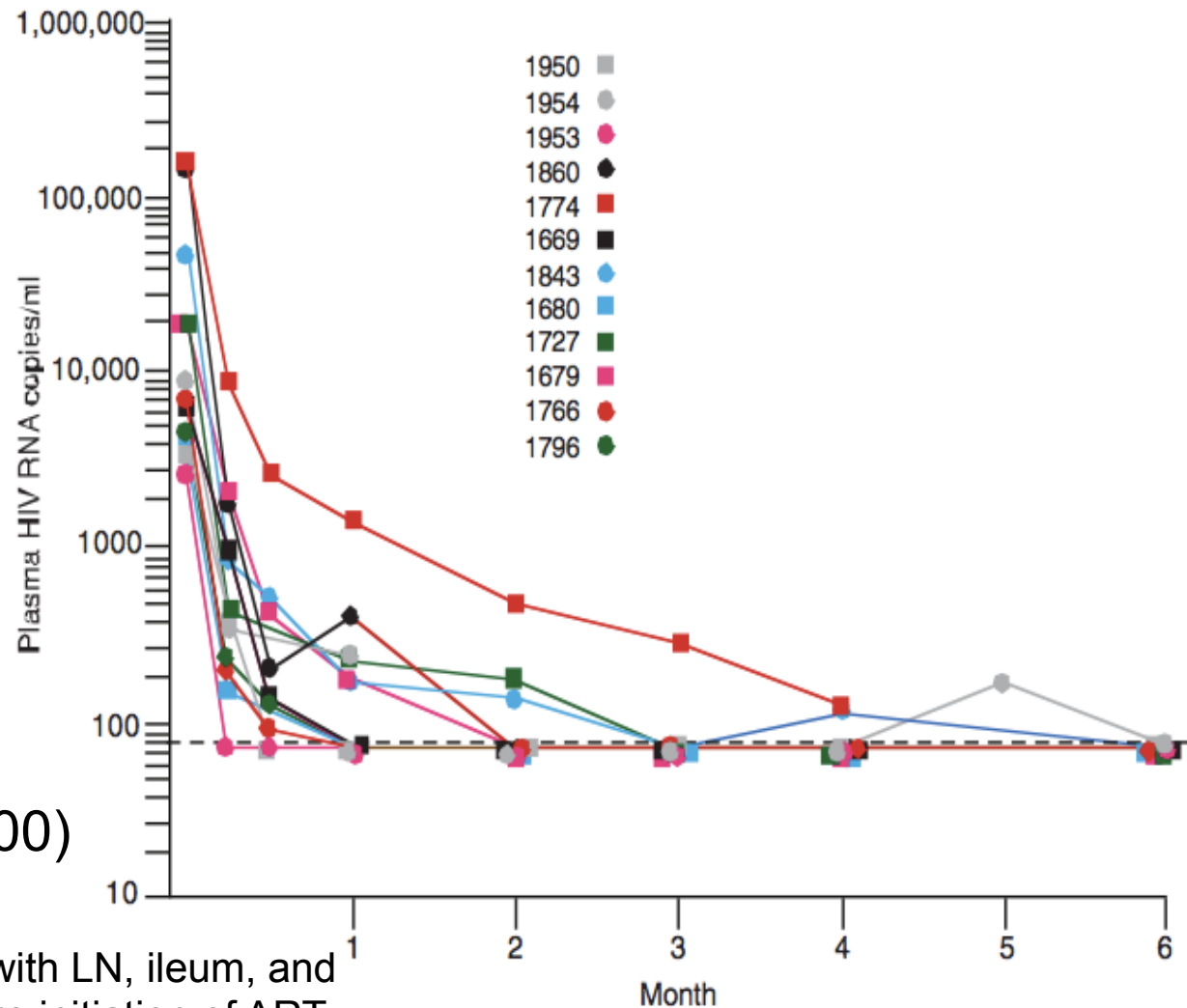
Persistent HIV-1 replication is associated with lower antiretroviral drug concentrations in lymphatic tissues

12 Subjects received
 TDF/FTC/EFV (n.6)
 TDF/FTC/ATV/rfv (n.4)
 TDF/FTC/DRV/rfv (n.2)

At entry

CD4: 467 μ l (327-6220)

VL: 34,783 (2,530-157,000)



Subjects were followed for 6 mo with LN, ileum, and rectal biopsies obtained just before initiation of ART and again at months 1, 3, and 6.



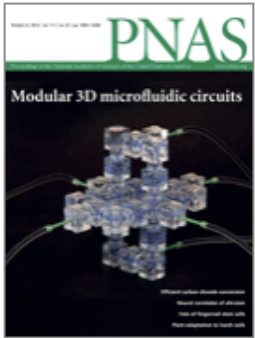
Different rates of decay of HIV RNA from the FDCn of LN

No significant decrease

Initial decline and then decline more slowly at almost a flat rate

Continuous decay

FDCn: Follicular dendritic cell network



Persistent HIV-1 replication is associated with lower antiretroviral drug concentrations in lymphatic tissues

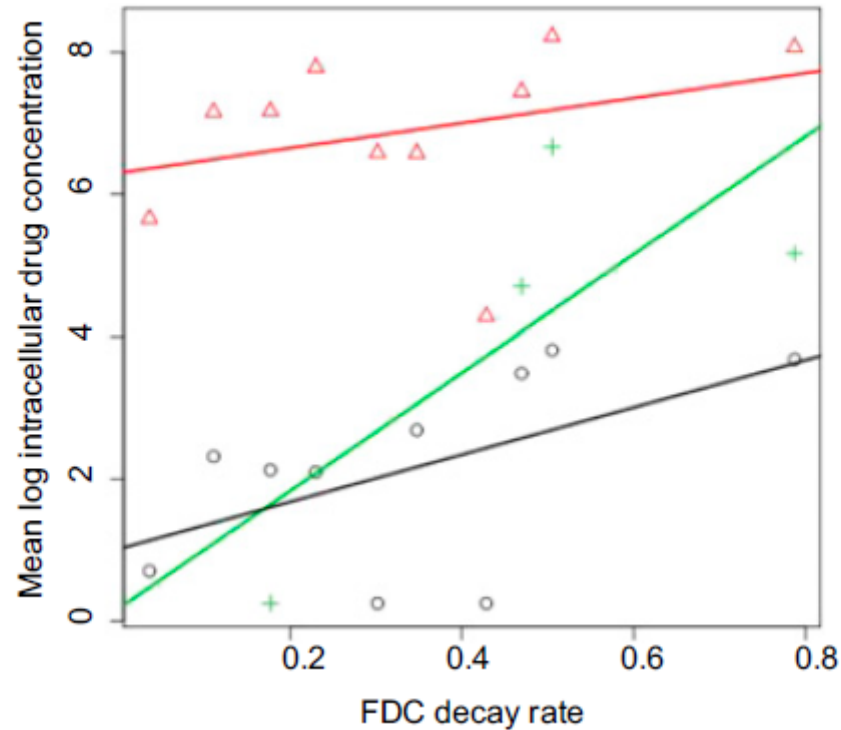


Fig. 5. Representation of the association between the decay rate of virions from the FDC pool and the mean quantity of drug for TFV-DP (black), FTC-TP (red), and EFV (green), showing faster decay of virions with higher concentrations of drug.

Different studies have highlighted that the level of HIV reservoir can influence the maintenance of virological success under simplification therapy

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Role of Baseline HIV-1 DNA Level in Highly-Experienced Patients Receiving Raltegravir, Etravirine and Darunavir/Ritonavir Regimen (ANRS139 TRIO Trial)



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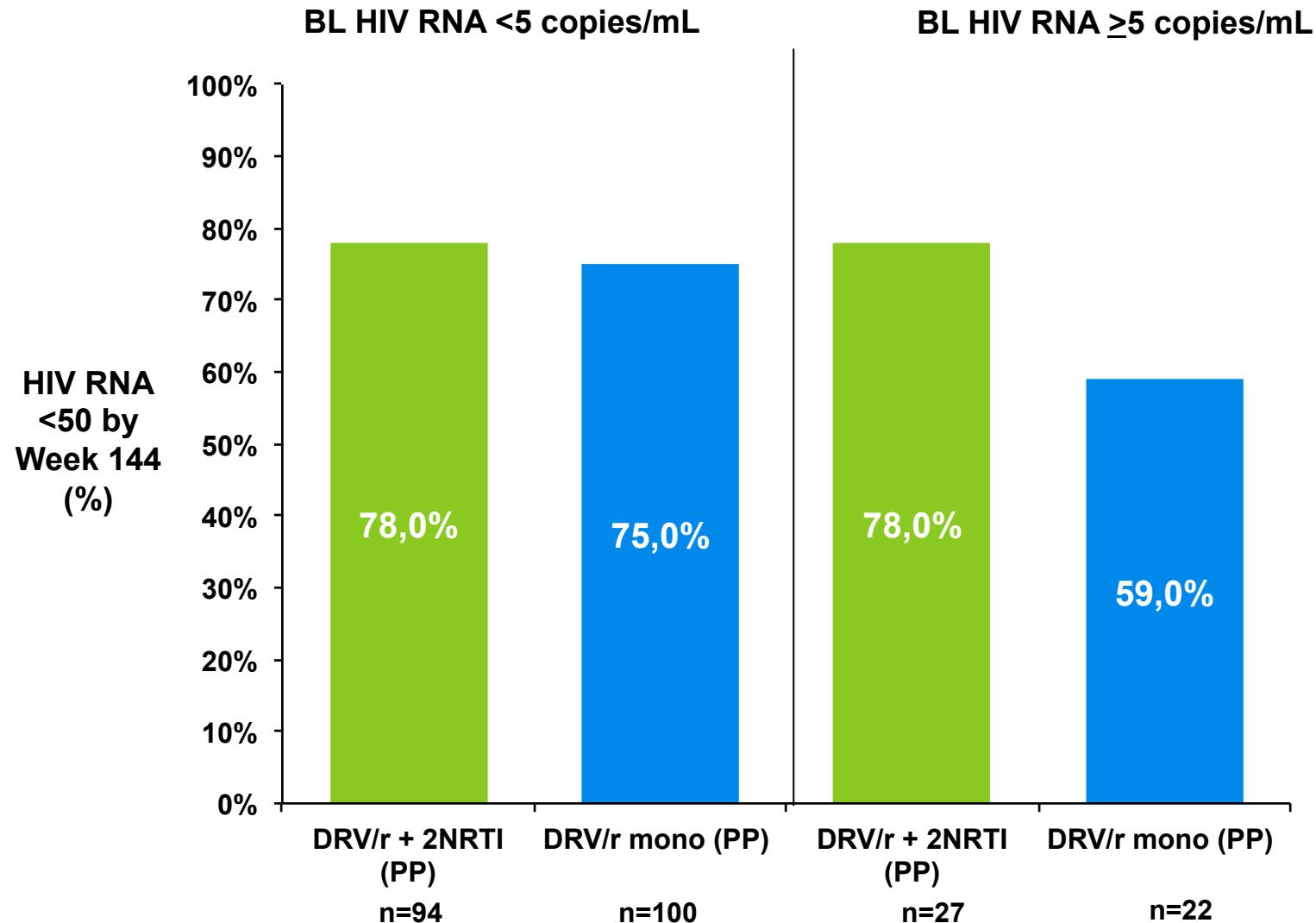
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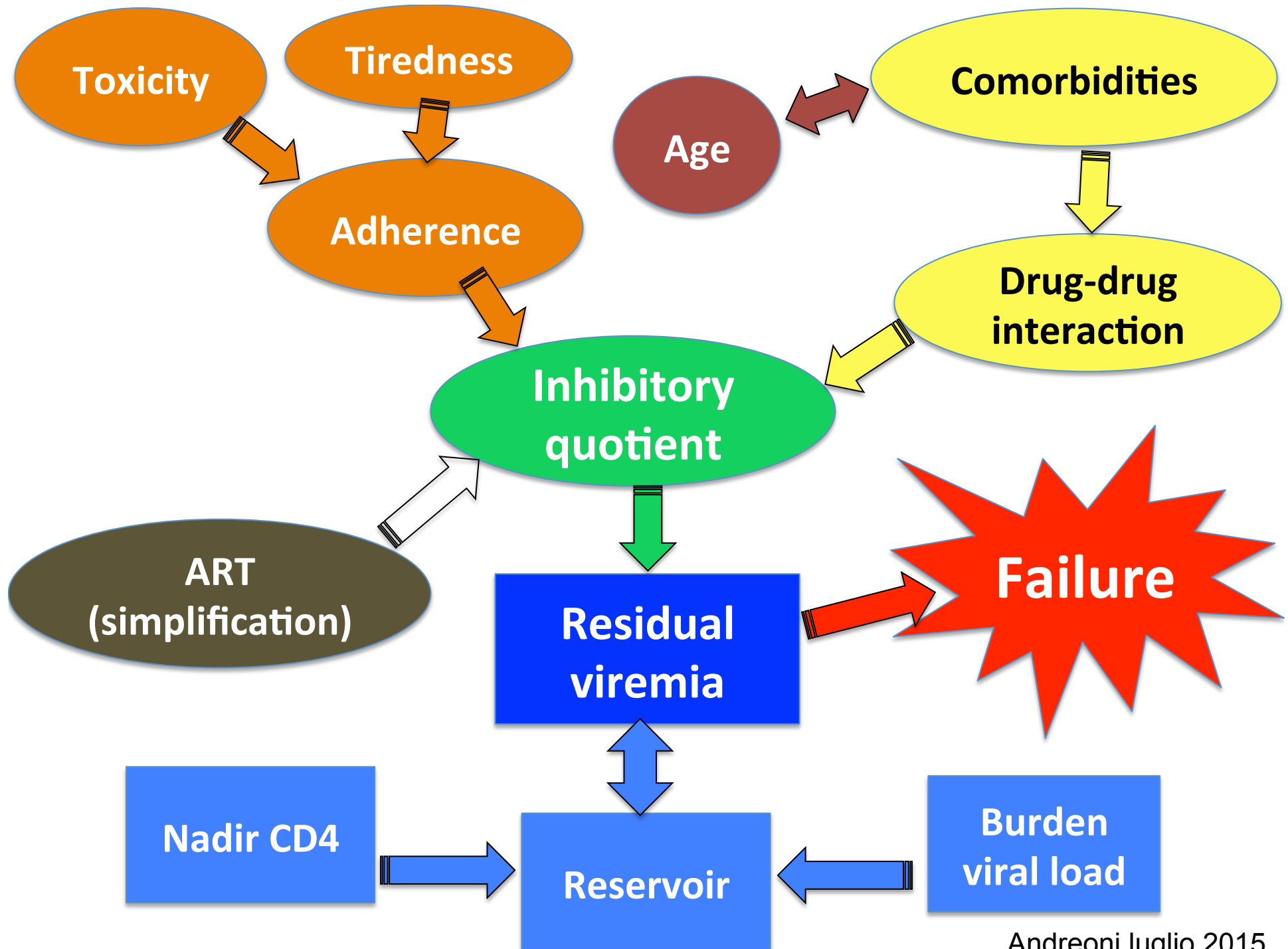
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At logistic regression analysis, high HIV-DNA levels (>226 copies/10⁶ PBMCs) at baseline were associated independently to a increased risk of virological failure or viral blip during simplified therapy

HIV RNA <50 copies/mL at Week 144

by baseline HIV RNA (Per Protocol, TLOVR, Switch=Failure)
MONET study





Conclusions: Reasons to Switch to dual ART in Suppressed Pts

- Improve tolerability
- Avoid or minimize drug–drug interactions
- Reduce toxicity or avoid future toxicity
- Reduce costs

Principles of Switching dual Therapy in Suppressed Patients

- Essential to get a complete ARV treatment history for intolerance or virologic failure, and resistance tests results
 - Archival HIV DNA resistance testing may be helpful

Principles of Switching dual Therapy in Suppressed Patients

- Cross-class switching or from high to low barrier agents has greater risk
 - b-PI → RPV, DTG → EVG, ETR → RPV (?)
- Increase monitoring during first 3 mos after switch
- Don't forget about HBV

Principles of dual Therapy in naive Patients

- An induction therapy with 3 DR can be useful
- A patient selection screen is needed
- Long term data (up to ~10 years) on antiviral activity, immunological effects and disease progression are needed