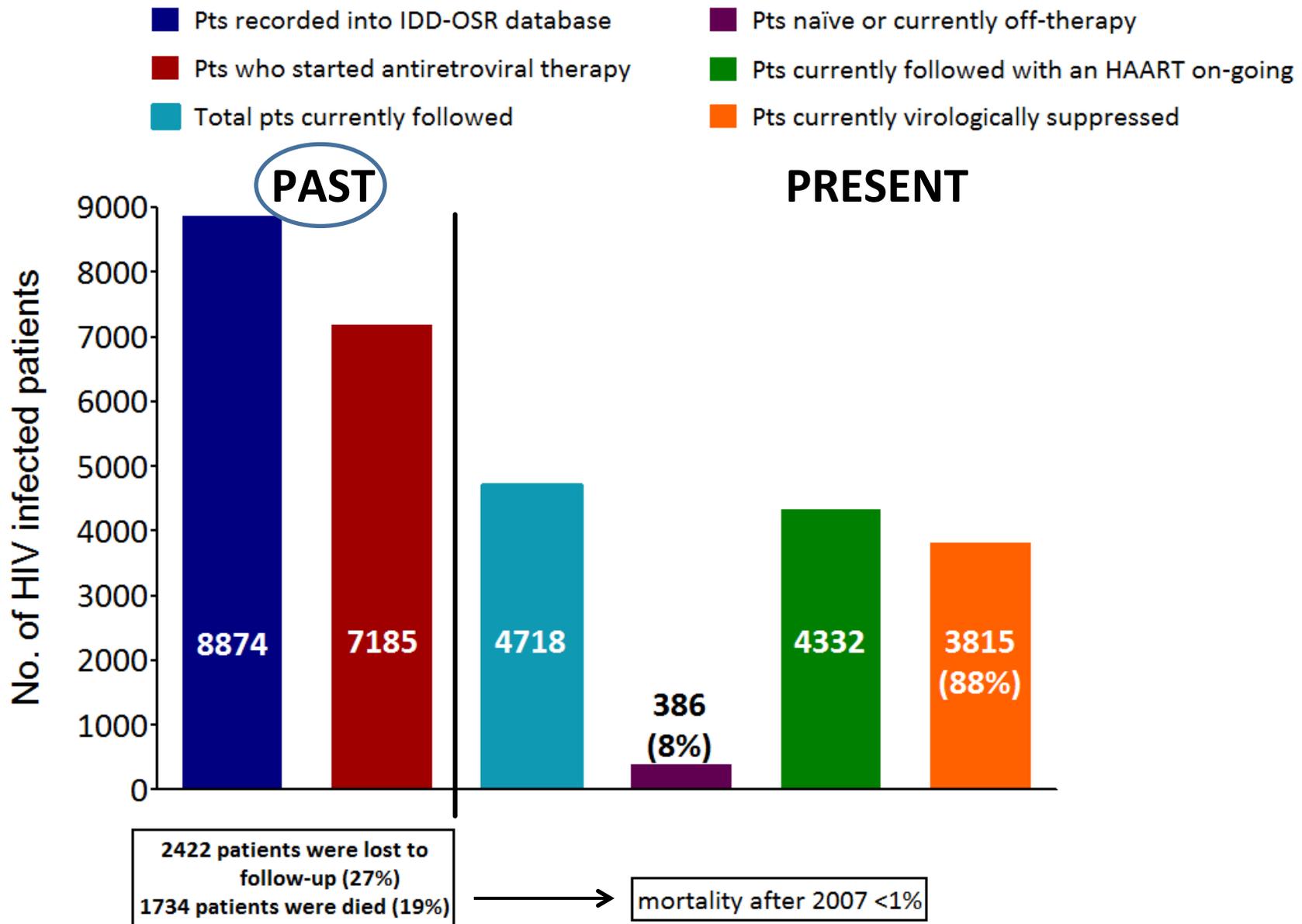


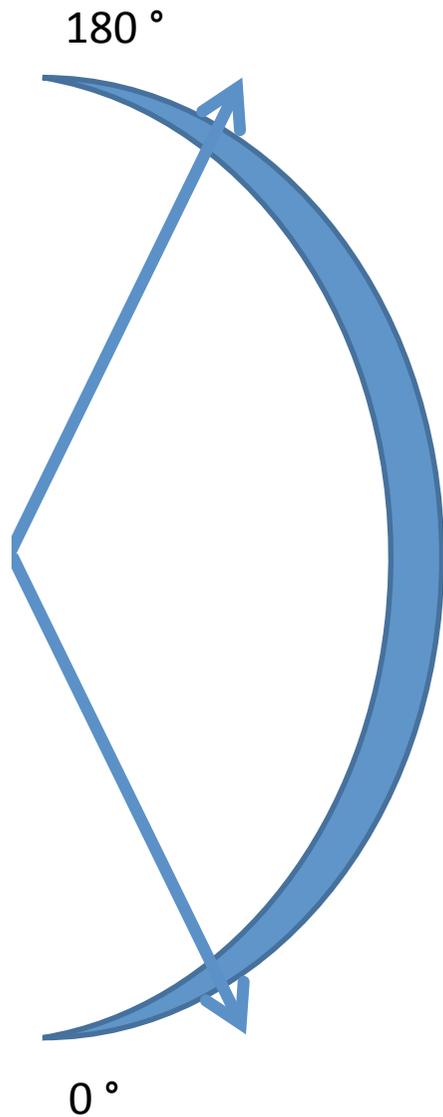
**INNOVAZIONE NELLA TERAPIA ANTIRETROVIRALE**  
**GLI INIBITORI DELLE INTEGRASI: I PROTAGONISTI DI UNA NUOVA ERA**  
*Sfide e opportunità per le persone con HIV*

Oggi...si può ancora migliorare?

# IDD-OSR – Cohort Data



# How far we are from the top?



100%

- cART access
- Early treatment
- Retention in care
- HIV RNA plasma undetectable
- Adherence

0%

- Transmission
- Toxicity
- HIV RNA/DNA + in the blood
- Co-morbidity

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Non solo il  
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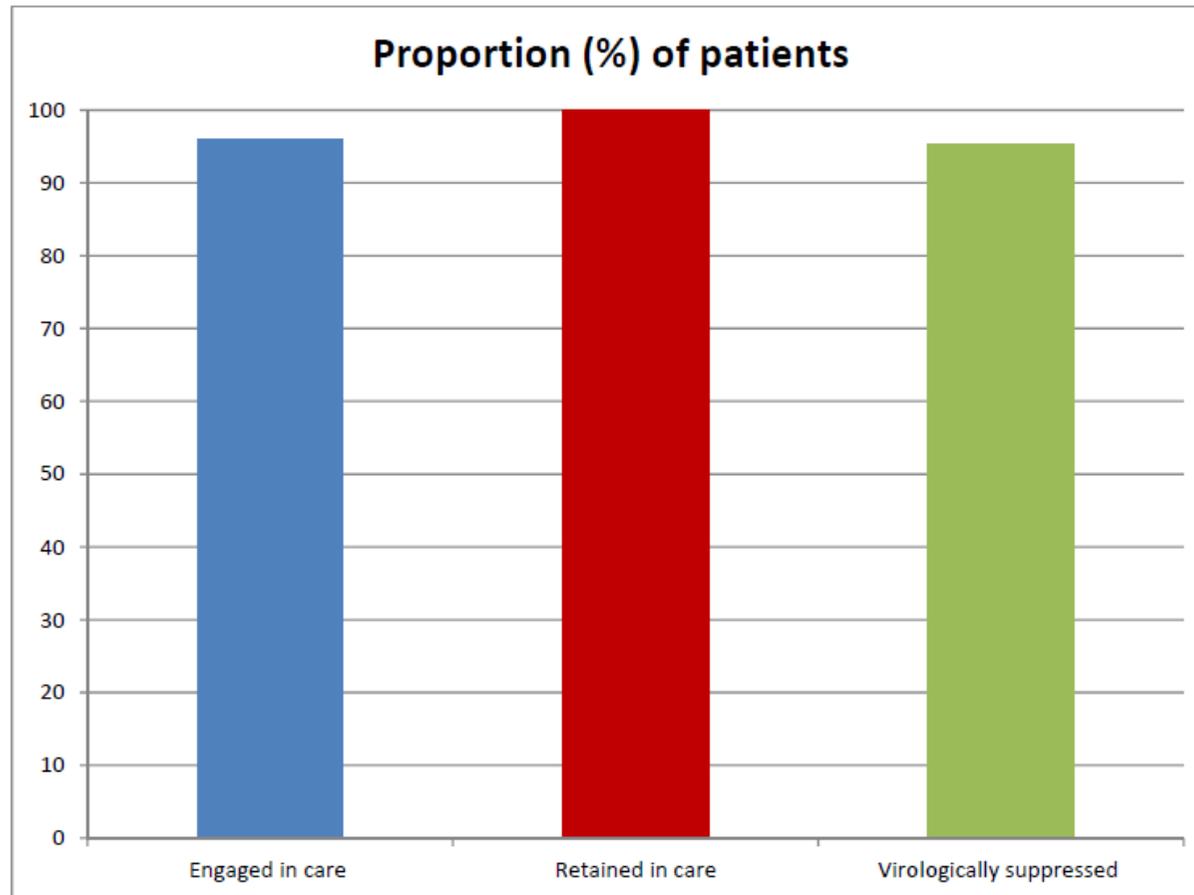
## Addressing barriers to the end of AIDS by 2030

The introduction of combination antiretroviral therapy (ART) in 1996 was the first milestone in the fight against HIV/AIDS, and its impact has been huge. Today, we have solid proof that early ART initiation provides benefit for the health of the HIV infected people<sup>1,2</sup> and reduces the risk of HIV transmission.<sup>3</sup> The concept of treatment

epidemic by 2030. To make it happen, three major challenges are in front of us.

The first challenge is scientific: the discovery of an HIV vaccine. Treatment as prevention alone will not be able to stop the epidemic. Despite increasing ART access, there will be no end of AIDS without a preventive

Figure 1. Continuum of care after HIV diagnosis with a point of care salivary testing: proportion of patients retained, engaged in care and virologically suppressed.



Parisi MR et al, new microbiol 2015, in press

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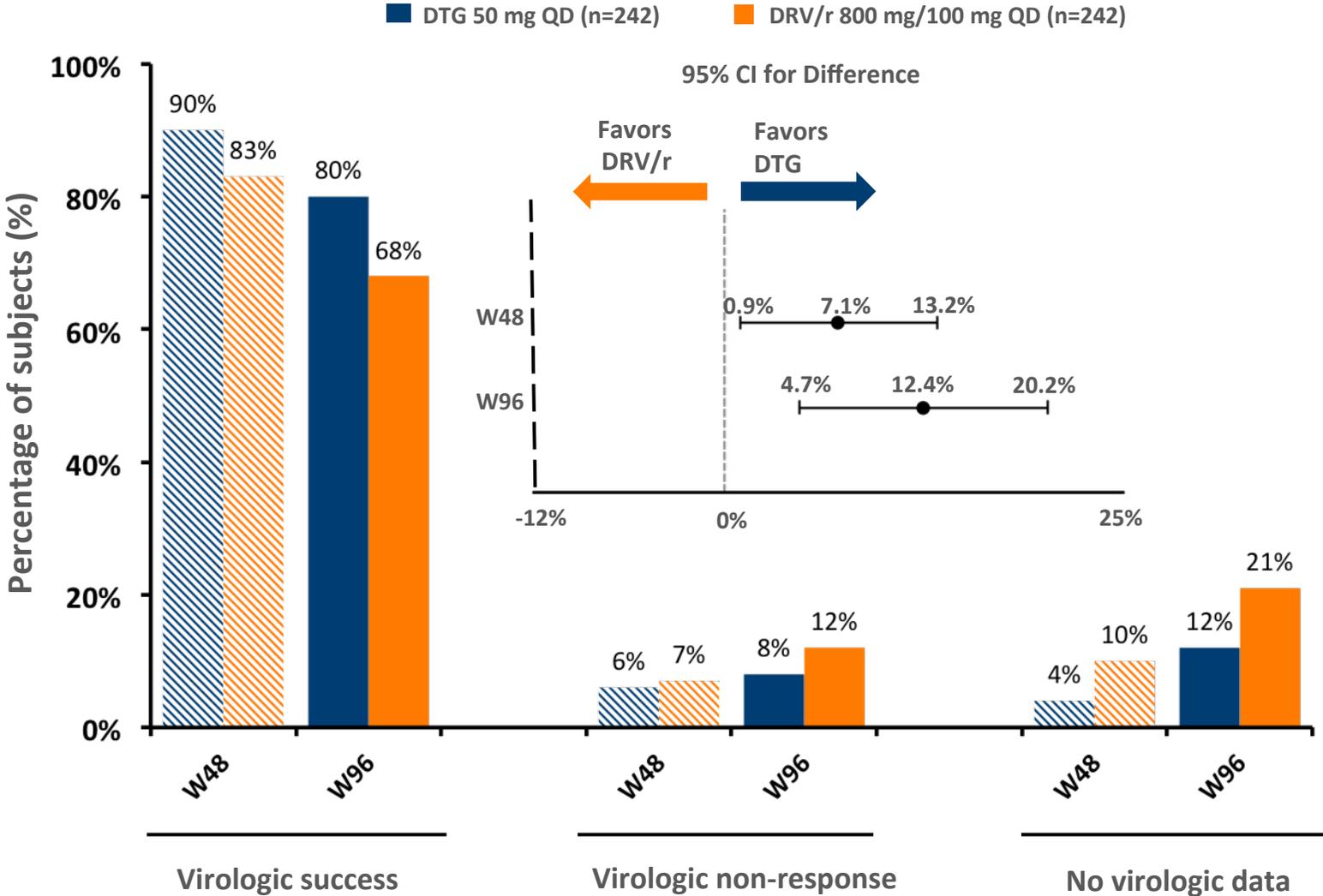
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Initiation of Antiretroviral Therapy in Early Asymptomatic  
HIV Infection

The INSIGHT START Study Group\*

Respect the rule of the  
superiority criterium

# FLAMINGO: DTG + 2 NRTIs Superior to DRV/RTV + 2 NRTIs in Tx-Naive Pts at Wk 48 and 96



Molina JM, et al. HIV Drug Therapy Glasgow 2014; Glasgow, UK. Abstract #O153.

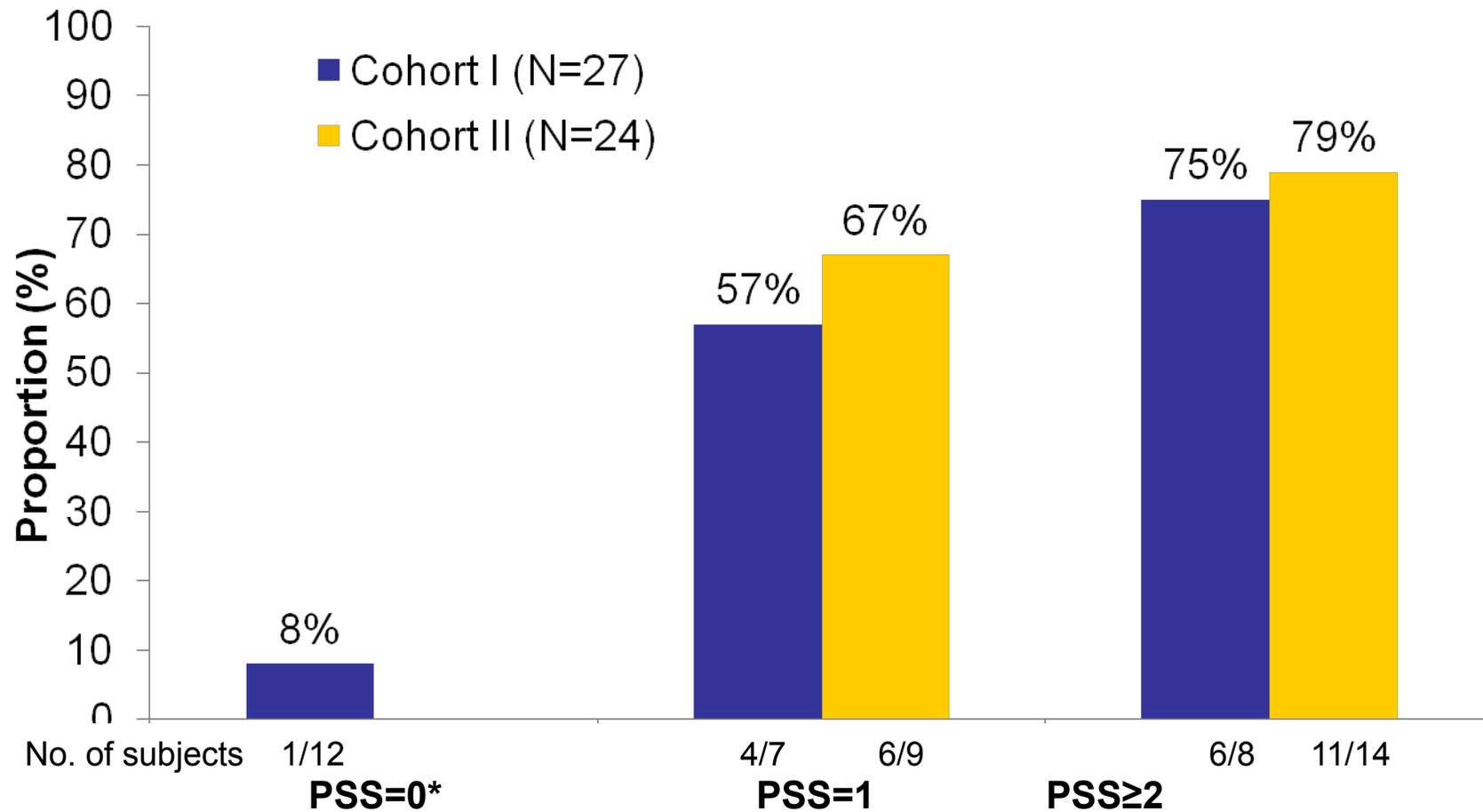
Proportion of Subjects with Plasma HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL at Week 96 In Snapshot (Primary) Analysis i.e. Missing, Switch or Discontinuation = Failure						
	SPRING-2		SINGLE		FLAMINGO	
	DTG	RAL	DTG	EFV/FTC/TDF	DTG	DRV/r
<b>OVERALL</b>	332/411 (81%)	314/411 (76%)	332/414 (80%)	303/419 (72%)	194/242 (80%)	164/242 (68%)
<b>INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGH BASELINE VIRAL LOAD BY BACKGROUND REGIMEN</b>						
<b>&gt;100,000 c/mL</b>						
<b>ABC/3TC</b>	27/37 (73%)	26/39 (67%)	95/134 (71%)	-	11/13 (85%)	7/12 (58%)
<b>TDF/FTC</b>	62/77 (81%)	47/77 (61%)	-	94/131 (72%)	39/48 (81%)	25/49 (51%)
<b>INDIVIDUALS WITH LOW BASELINE CD4</b>						
<b>&lt;200c/mm<sup>3</sup></b>	39/55 (71%)	28/50 (56%)	39/57 (68%)	45/62 (73%)	18/23 (78%)	14/24 (58%)
<b>200 to &lt;350c/mm<sup>3</sup></b>	116/144 (81%)	103/139 (74%)	135/163 (83%)	113/159 (71%)	60/73 (82%)	36/51 (71%)
<b>Kaplan Meier estimates of the Proportion of Subjects without Efficacy Related Discontinuation = Failure at Week 96 (PDVF or withdrawal due to lack of efficacy are counted as failure and subjects who discontinue for other reasons are censored)</b>						
	SPRING-2		SINGLE		FLAMINGO	
	DTG	RAL	DTG	EFV/FTC/TDF	DTG	DRV/r
<b>OVERALL</b>	94%	92%	94%	93%	99%	98%
<b>INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGH BASELINE VIRAL LOAD</b>						
<b>&gt;100,000 c/mL</b>	90%	84%	87%	88%	98%	96%

**Granier C, CROI 2015**

**MEXP: failing patients**  
**The top it's not so far!**

Dolutegravir (DTG, S/GSK1349572) treatment of HIV subjects with raltegravir resistance: viral suppression at Week 24 in the VIKING study

*Proportion of RAL-resistant that responded at Week 24 (<50 c/mL, TLOVR) - increases with OBR activity*



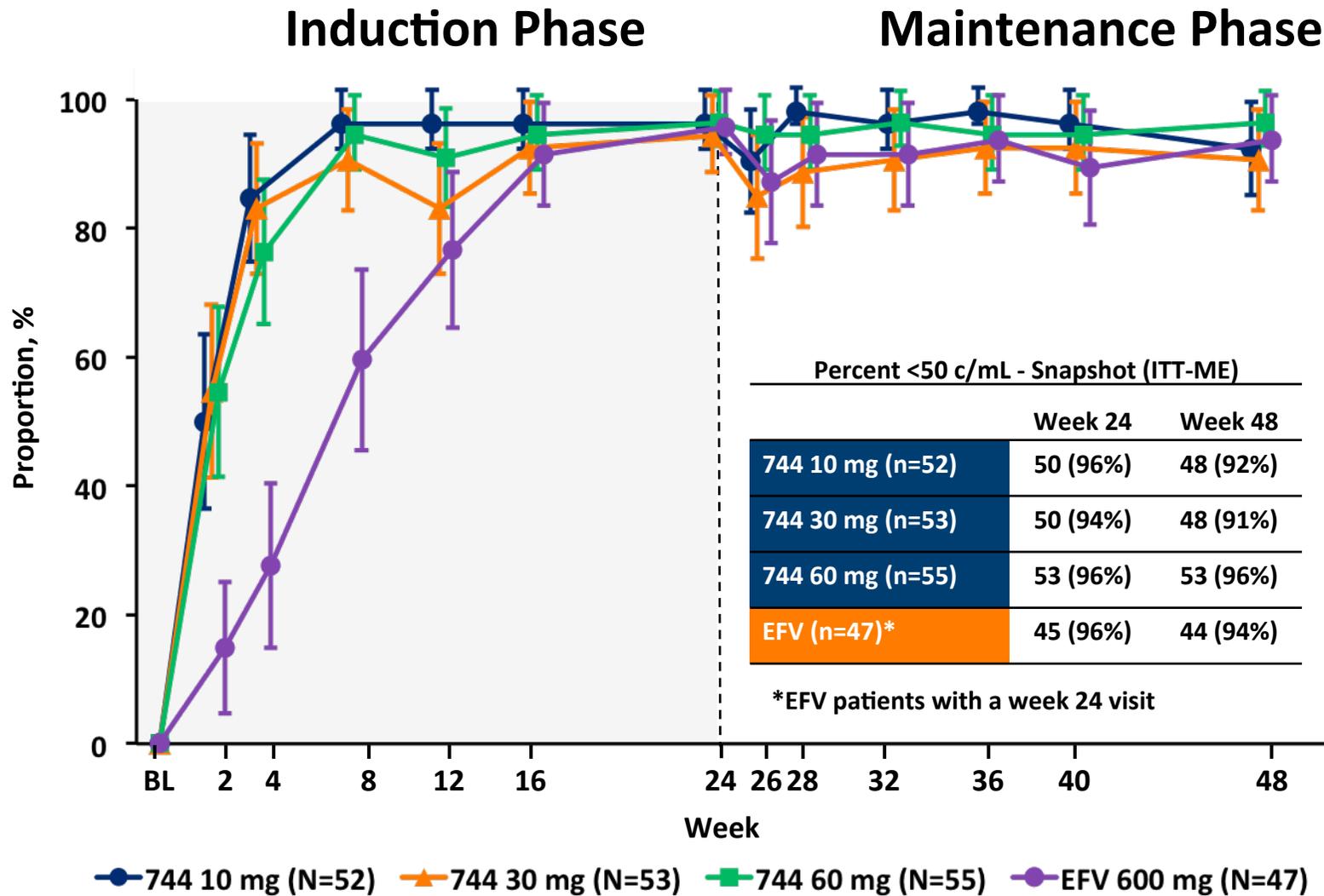
\*: 1 subject in Cohort II with PSS=0.5 responded

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FDC with TAF:

Efficacy ↑ = Proteinuria ↓ MOC ↑

# Secondary Endpoint – Maintenance Population

Virologic Success: HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL by Snapshot (ITT-ME)



?! Costs?!

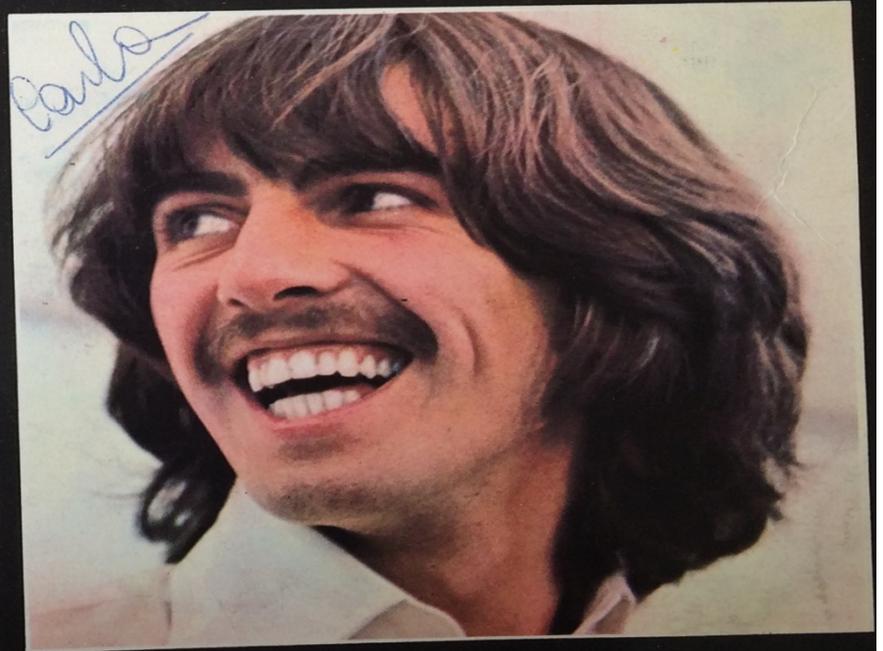
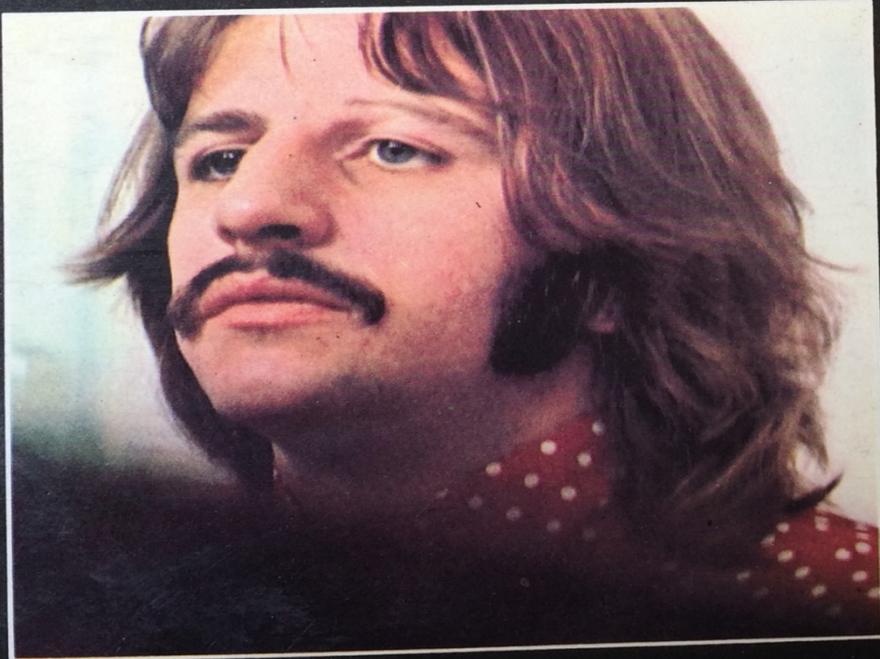
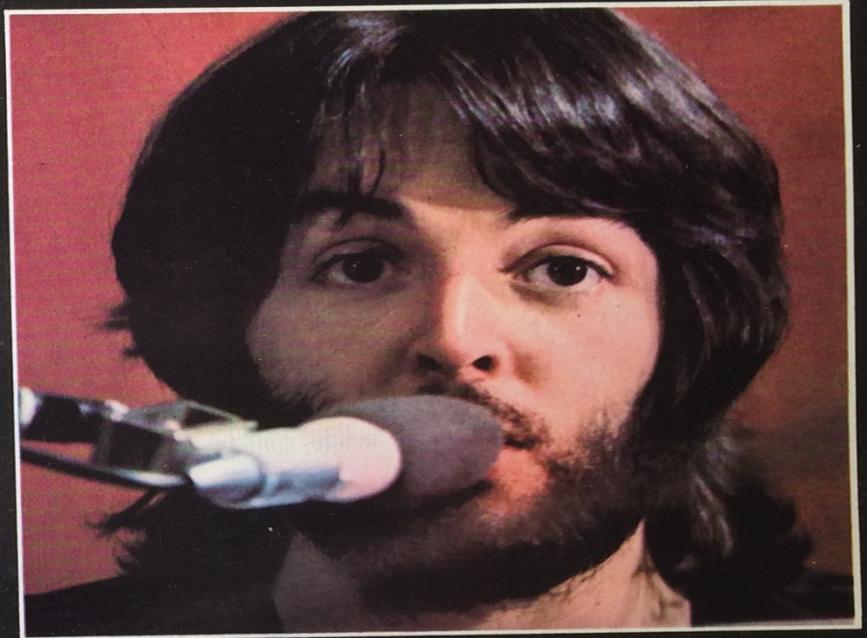
# Principi d'impiego dei farmaci antiretrovirali equivalenti

3. Pur in assenza di consistenti dati di letteratura finalizzati a questo scopo, al fine anche di garantire un responsabile impiego delle risorse, si ritiene di proporre i seguenti principi d'impiego (qualitativi) per l'introduzione delle specialità medicinali equivalenti. Si sottolinea comunque la necessità di *garantire la continuità e l'appropriatezza del regime terapeutico attraverso un'omogenea e stabile disponibilità territoriale delle specifiche specialità medicinali prescelte* (vedi parte precedente 'Possibili Criticità'):
  - a. Condividere con il paziente la scelta del regime terapeutico [AIII];
  - b. Selezionare e monitorare il paziente, in particolare colui che presenta fattori noti di rischio di non aderenza [BIII];
  - c. Valutare con attenzione l'aderenza, in occasione delle visite programmate [AIII];
  - d. Identificare precocemente potenziali fattori favorenti l'insuccesso virologico [AIII].

E' comunque auspicabile il confronto di tollerabilità ed efficacia tra diversi regimi con FDC e con regimi non co-formulati, con l'introduzione di singole molecole equivalenti, in studi controllati preferibilmente istituzionali.



# LET IT BE



Jumping at eradication

INVICTIS:  
best performers selection study

# Study design

## Phase 1

1,500 Adult chronic HIV-1 infected patients:

- Age  $\geq 18$  years old
- Plasma HIV-RNA at ART initiation  $< 50,000$  copies/mL
- nadir CD4+  $> 350$  cells/ $\mu$ L
- plasma HIV-RNA  $< 50$  copies/ml for  $\geq 12$  M
- CD4  $\geq 500$  cells/ $\mu$ L

Determination of **PBMC-associated** HIV-DNA

Primary objective:

prevalence of "undetectable" HIV-DNA

( $< 10$  copies/ $10^6$  PBMC, according to a standard assay)

## Phase 2

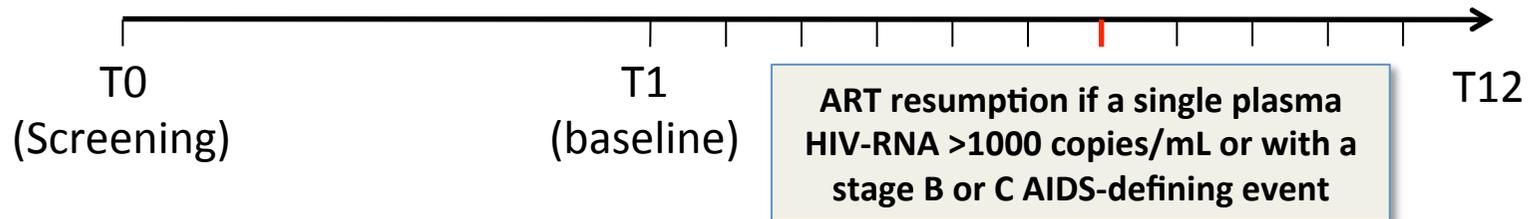
150 Adult chronic HIV-1 infected patients:

- On virological suppression (HIV-RNA  $< 50$  copies/ml)  $\geq 5$  years
- with HIV-DNA  $< 10$  copies/ $10^6$  PBMC
- With undetectable CSF HIV-RNA

Stop ART with intensive follow-up

Primary objective:

to identify genetic and immunological correlates of  $\geq 6$ -month post-treatment viral control = Plasma HIV-RNA  $< 1000$  copies/mL



CONCISE COMMUNICATION

**A low HIV-DNA level in peripheral blood mononuclear cells at antiretroviral treatment interruption predicts a higher probability of maintaining viral control**

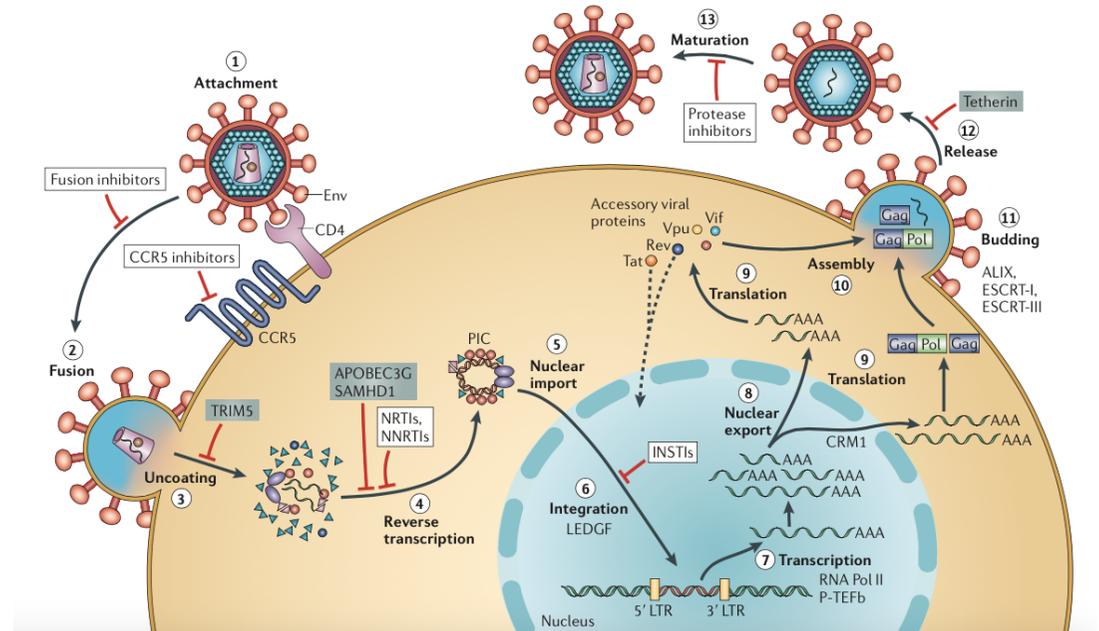
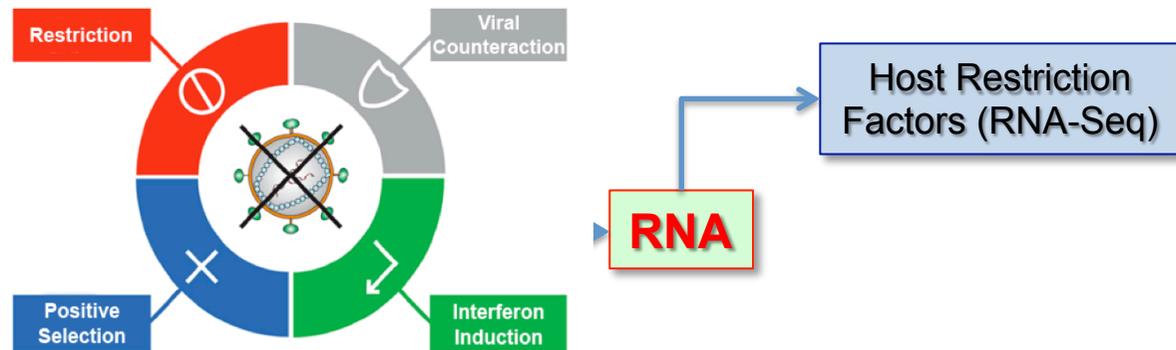
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# STHAI PROJECT. *Host Restriction Factors*

**Restriction Factors (RF):** dominant cellular factors that have evolved specifically to interfere with viral replication

- *Direct cause of a significant decrease in viral infectivity*
- *Target of an equally potent viral counter-restriction mechanism*
- *Positive selection signature due to a direct evolutionary competition*
- *Often strongly induced by interferon*



# Genetic Polymorphisms in the MHC Locus Associated with a Different Outcome of HIV-1 Disease Progression

Gene variants	Associated to	Mechanism of action
HLA class I heterozygosity	Delayed progression	Broader HLA class I antigen presentation [56–58]
HLA class I discordance	Decreased frequency of infection	Diminished risk of HIV transmission [68–70]
<b>HLAB*57</b>	Delayed progression	Delayed HIV-1 escape [26, 56, 59–61]
<b>HLAB*27</b>	Delayed progression	Delayed onset of escape mutants [26, 56]
<b>HLAB*35</b>	Accelerated progression	Reduced HIV peptides binding [56]
HLA supertype A2/6802	Resistance	Presentation of conserved HIV peptides [71, 72]
HLA class I Bw4-KIR3SD1	Delayed progression	Suppression of HIV infected lymphocytes (?) [65]

\*allele-group gene products.

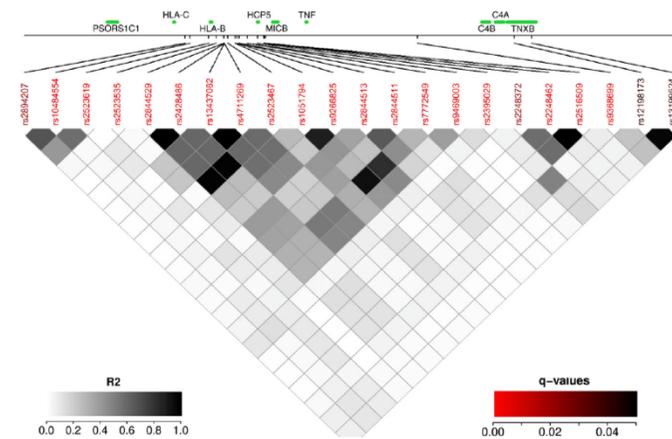
...abbiamo dimostrato la presenza di una forte associazione (OD 6.8;  $p=0.003$ ) tra lo status di ELC e la presenza di un genotipo complesso caratterizzato da **alleli C2** ad alta espressione e da uno o più **geni KIR attivatori** (2DS1, 3, 5).

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**Figure 1.** Linkage disequilibrium matrix (LD) for the major single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) in the major histocompatibility complex region. The LD data matrix was calculated from the PRIMO seroconverters and the Genetic and Immunological Study of HIV\* European and African ITP (GISHEAL) cohorts, respectively. Gray color intensity of each box is proportional to strength of LD property ( $r^2$ ) for marker pair. Red color intensity of its numbers is proportional to level of q value (false discovery rates) associated with the given SNP in our genome-wide association study.

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