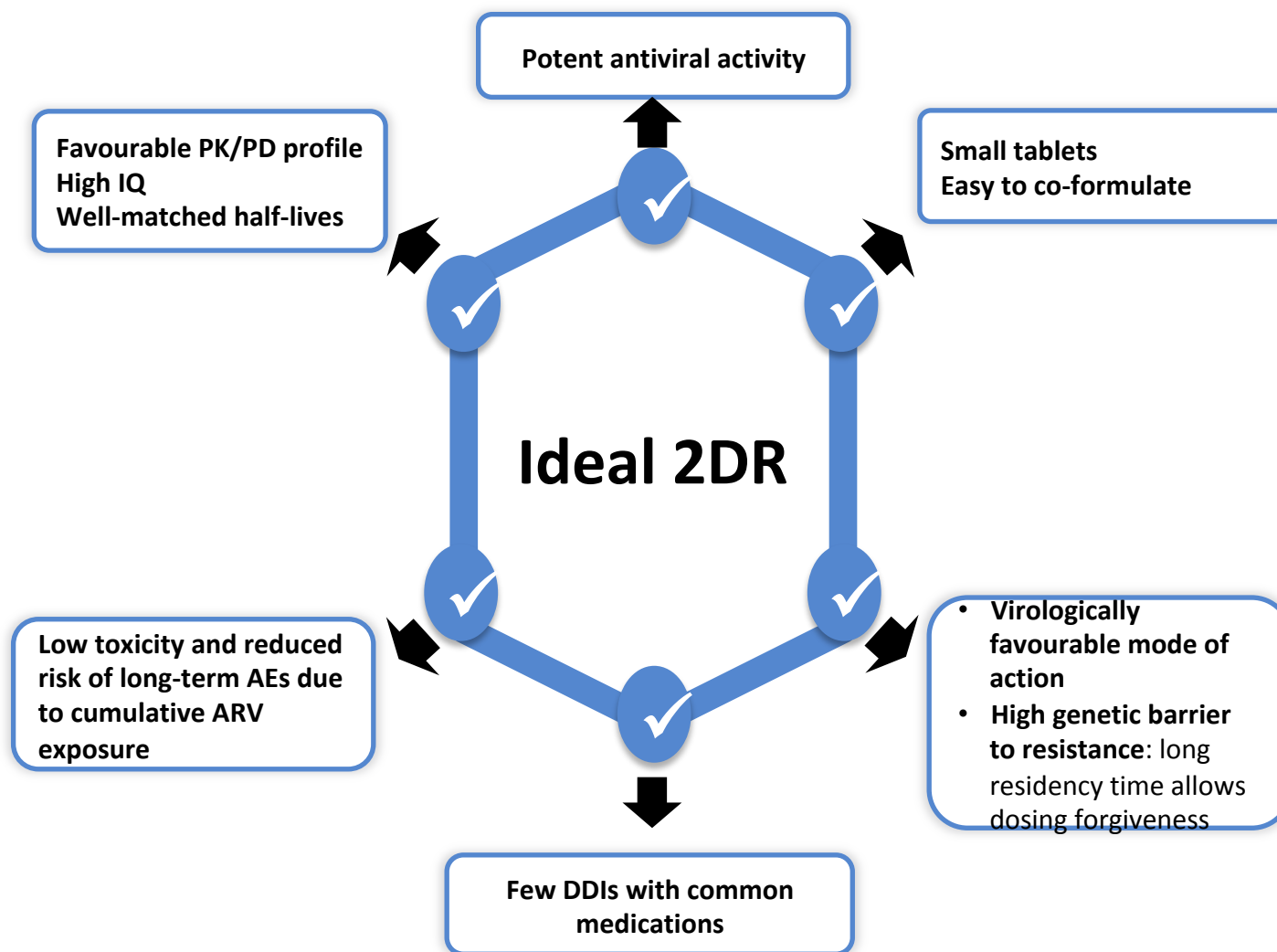


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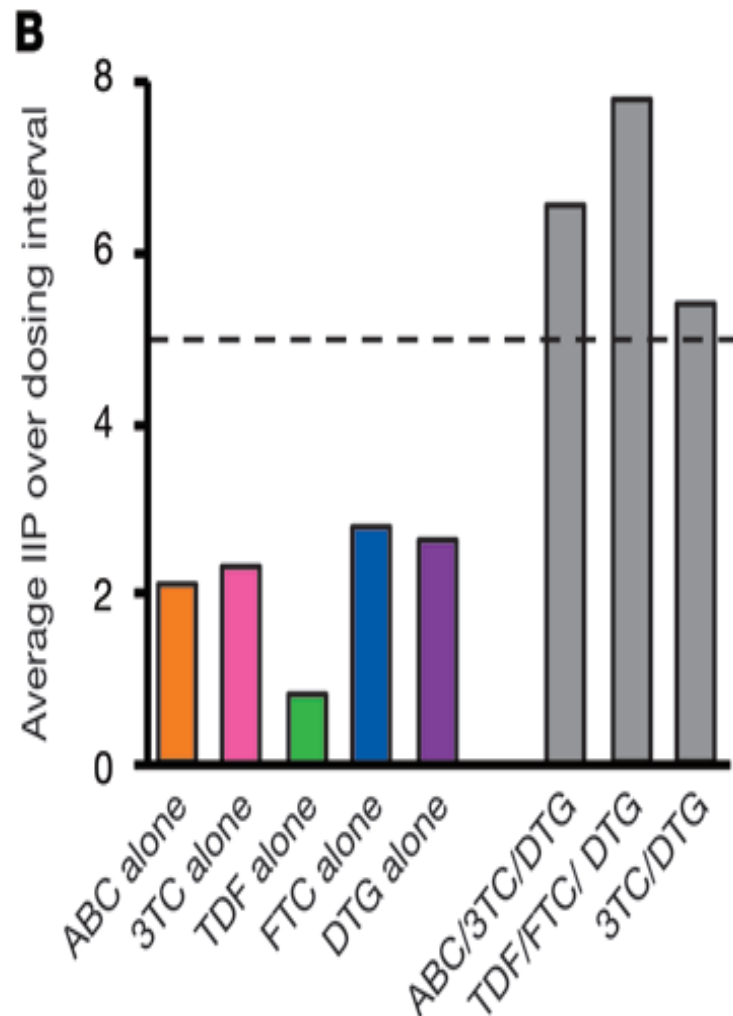
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Characteristics of an ideal 2DR



Quantitative evaluation of the antiretroviral efficacy of dolutegravir



Using an in vitro infectivity assay and quantitative analysis, we evaluated critical DTG pharmacodynamic parameters.

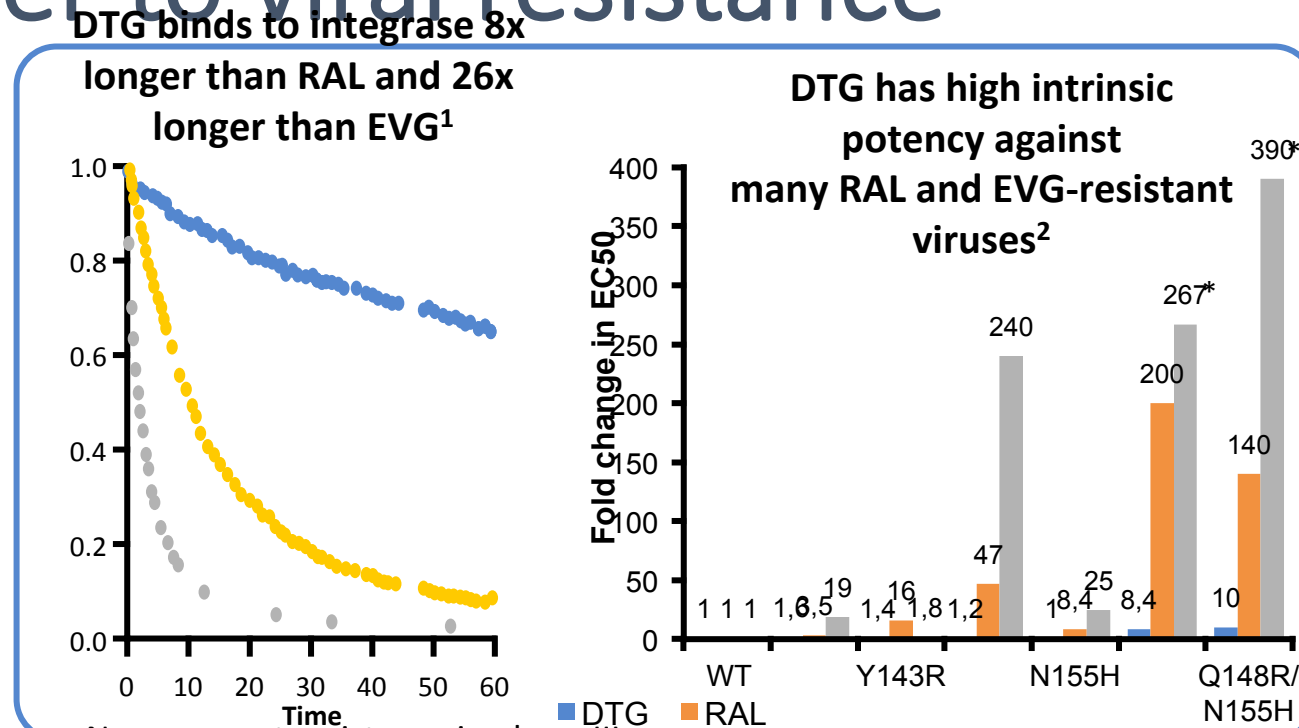
Instantaneous inhibitory potential (IIP) is a metric of combined drug efficacy. IIP correlates with the clinical success of antiretroviral regimens.

Average instantaneous inhibitory potential (IIP) over a 24-hour dosing period for individual drugs and their combinations.

A dashed line at IIP = 5 shows the minimum IIP for a fully suppressive antiretroviral regimen.

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Special requirement: high genetic barrier to viral resistance



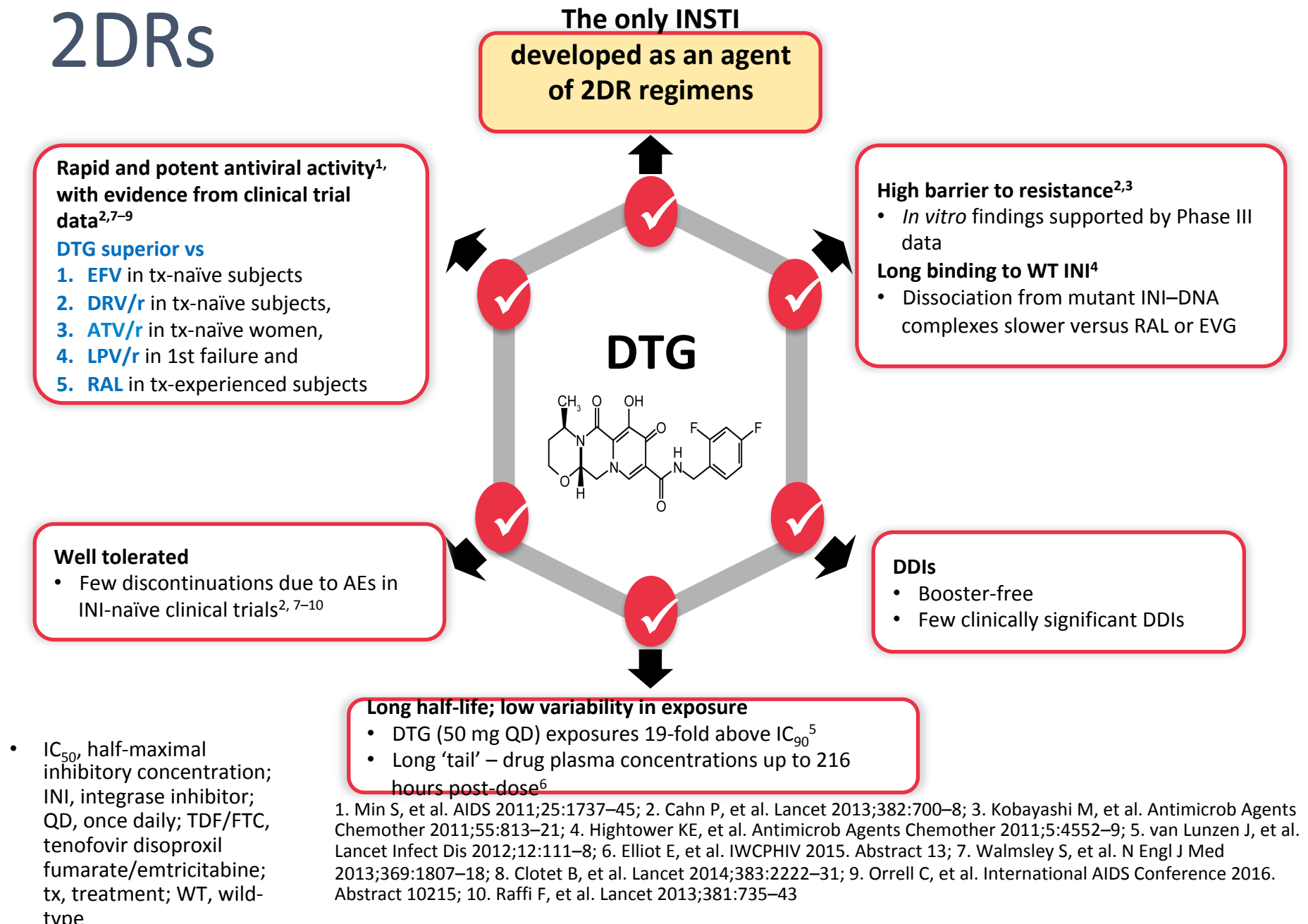
- No emergent resistance in phase III, treatment-naïve studies³⁻⁷
- Low rates of DTG resistance in phase III studies in experienced, INI-naïve⁸ and INI-resistant patients
- This supports the high genetic barrier to resistance of DTG

*Mean FC from one or two experiments. See slide notes for abbreviations.

INI	$k_{off} (s^{-1})^1$	Dissociation $t_{1/2} (h)^1$
DTG	2.7×10^{-6}	71
EVG	71×10^{-6}	2.7
RAL	22×10^{-6}	8.8

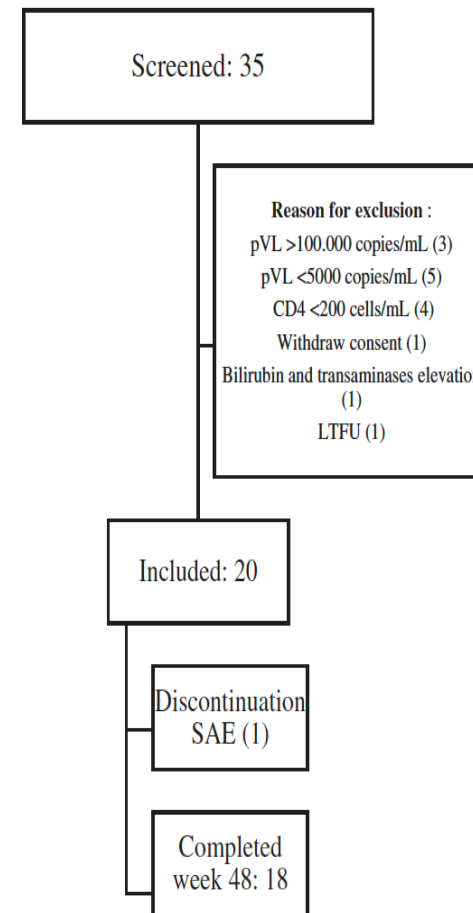
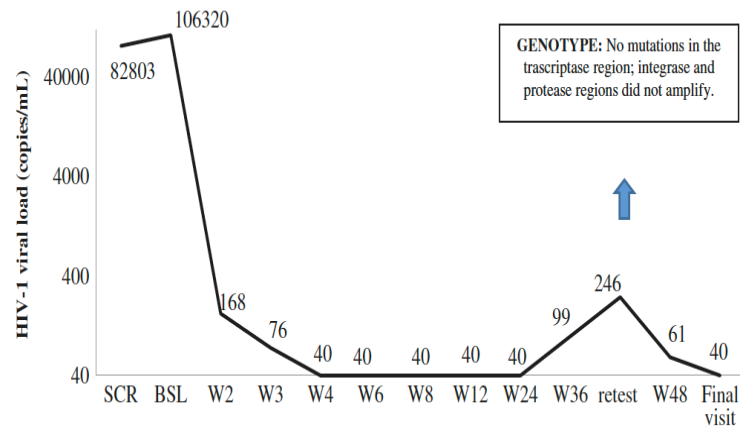
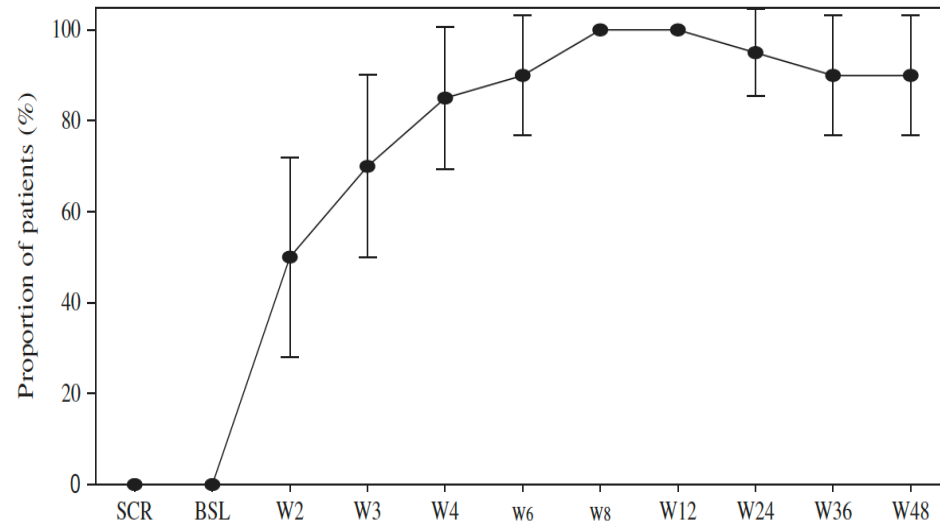
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DTG as a Core Agent to Support 2DRs



PADDLE (Pilot Antiretroviral Design with Dolutegravir LamivudinE)

DTG+3TC as initial therapy in HIV-1 infected ARV-naïve patients



Comparable viral decay in dual and triple DTG-based antiretroviral therapy

Viral load decay with DTG/3TC was similar to that with DTG-based triple therapy regimens in patients with pVL < 100, 000 copies/mL.

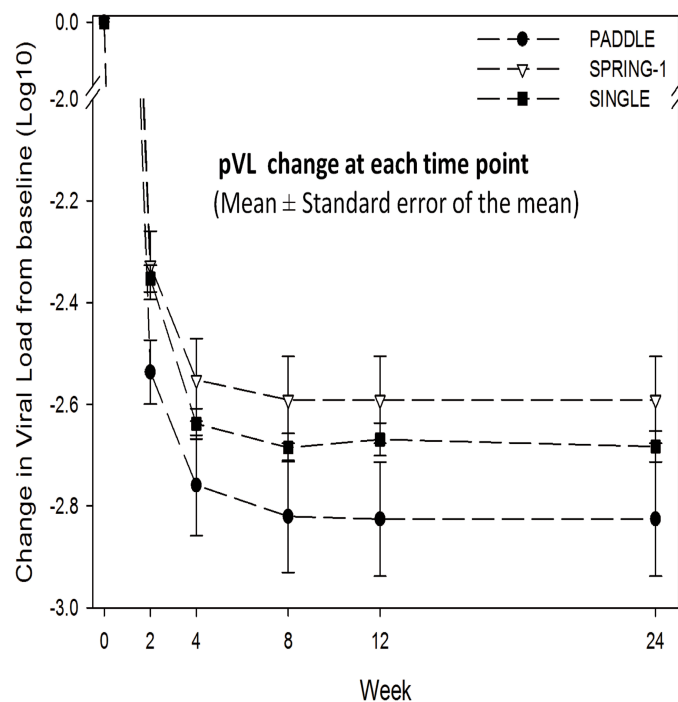


FIGURE 1: pVL change at each timepoint
(Mean= standard error of the mean)

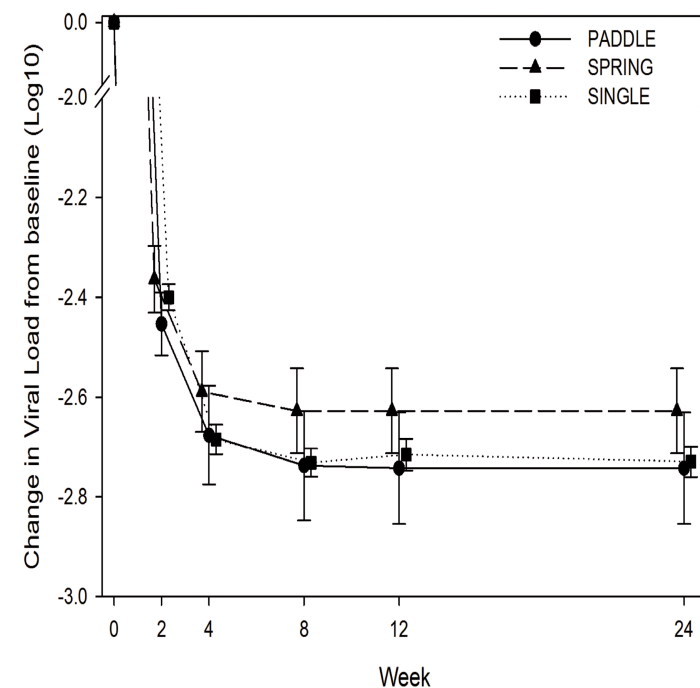


FIGURE 2: pVL change at each timepoint
(Mean= standard error of the mean) , normalized per baseline pVL

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Virologic Outcome by FDA Snapshot at Week 24

	Baseline HIV-1 RNA				Total (N = 120)	
	>100 000 Copies/mL (N = 37)		≤100 000 Copies/mL (N = 83)			
Virologic success, HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL, N (%)	33	(89)	75	(90)	108	(90)
[95% confidence interval]		(75, 97)		(82,96)		(83,95)
Virologic nonsuccess	3	(8%)	2	(2%)	5	(4%)
HIV-1 RNA ≥50 copies/mL	3		0		3	
Discontinued study treatment for other reasons ^a while HIV-1 RNA ≥50 copies/mL	0		2		2	
No virologic data in window	1	(3%)	6	(7%)	7	(6%)
Discontinued study treatment for other reasons ^b	1		5		6	
On study but missing data in window	0		1		1	

Abbreviation: HIV, human immunodeficiency virus.

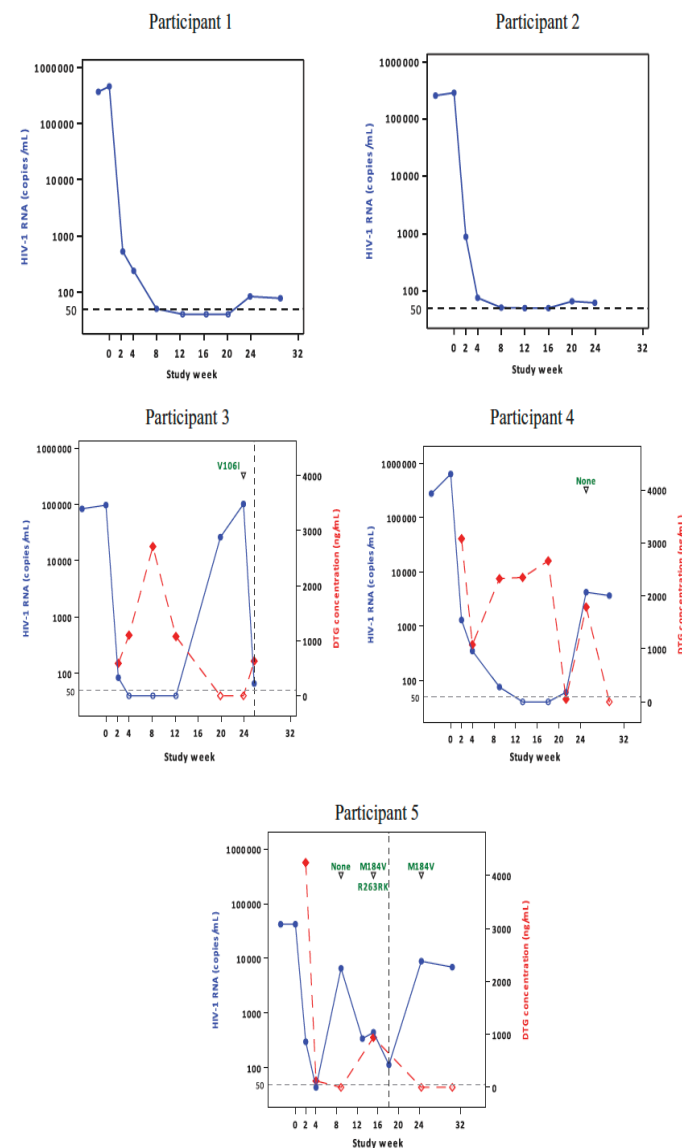
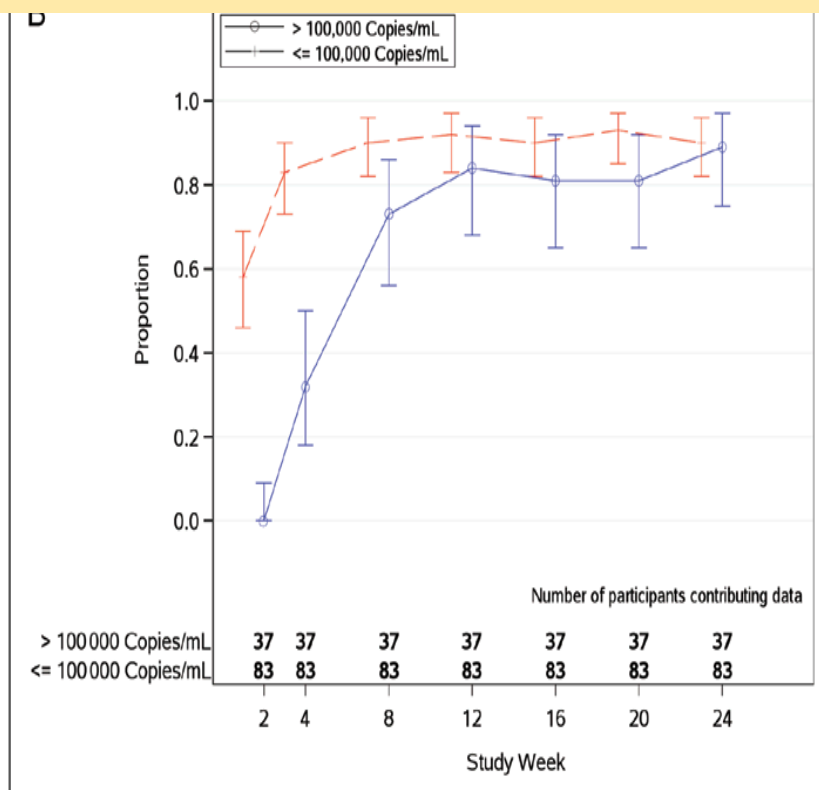
^aPoor adherence.

^bLost to follow-up, pregnancy

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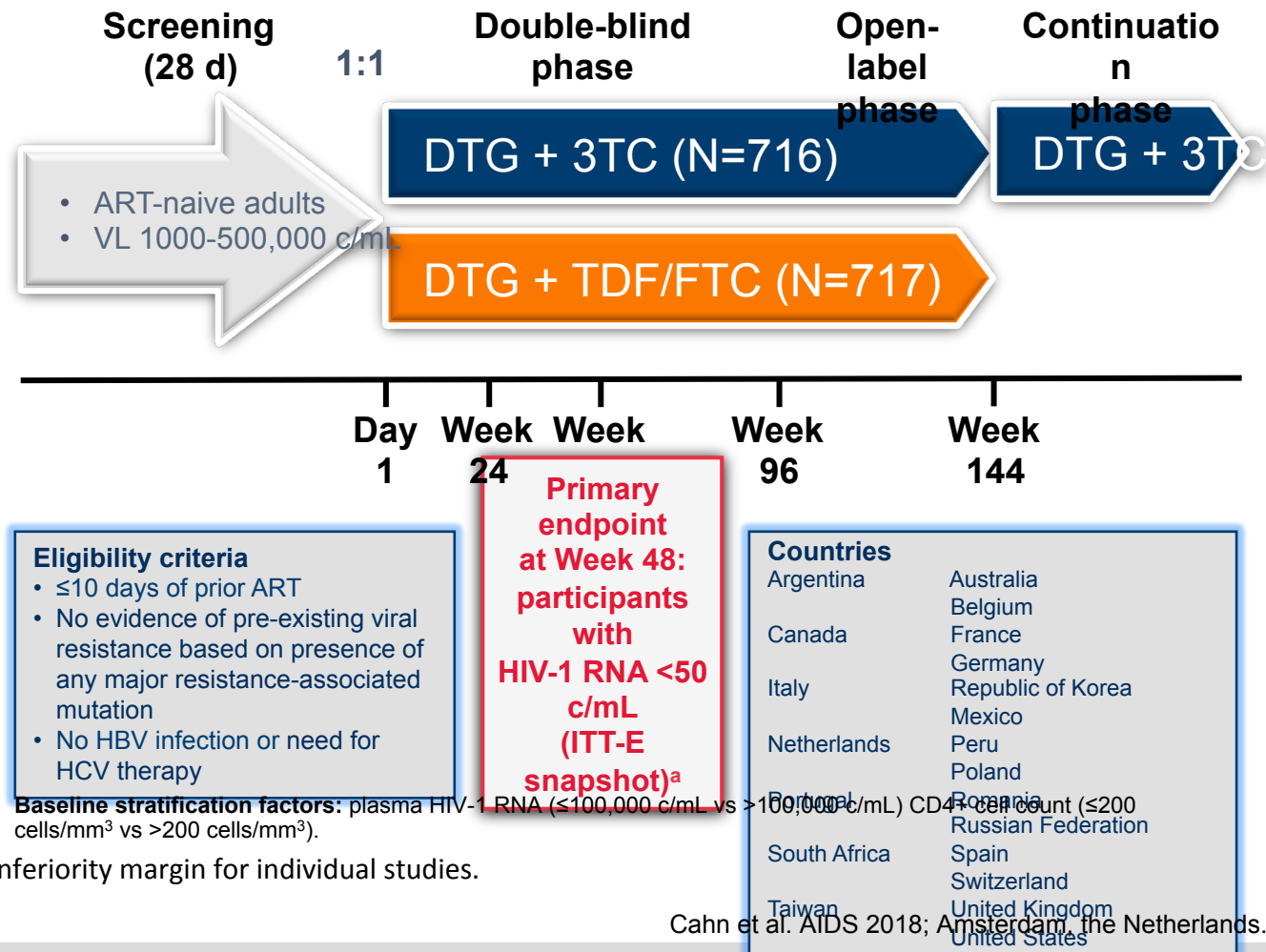
Virologic response by baseline 100K and 5 cases with virologic unsu

Proportion (95% CI) of participants with HIV-1 RNA levels <50 copies/mL by week (intention-to-treat/missing/off treatment = ignored).



GEMINI-1 and -2 Phase III Study Design

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



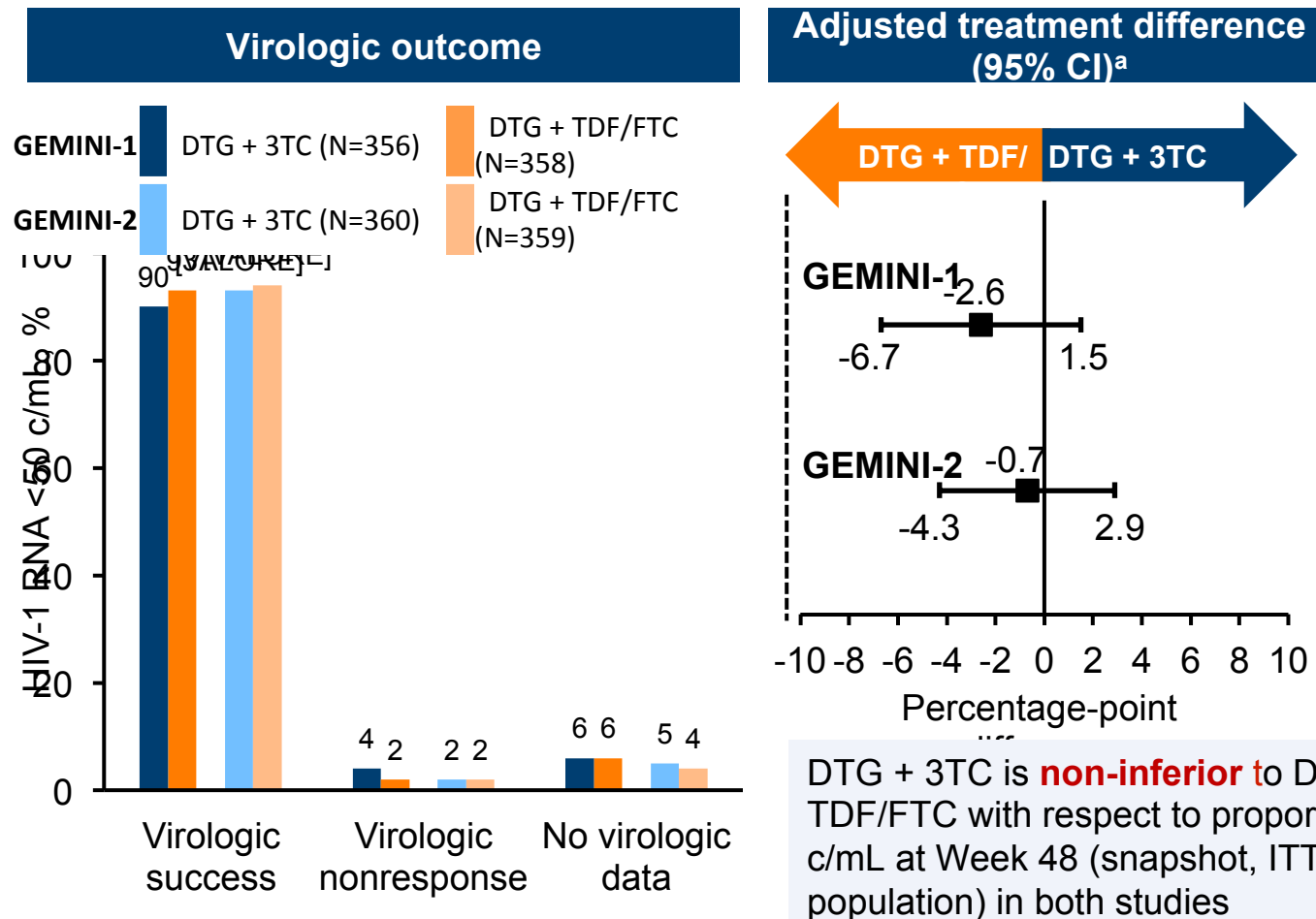
Demographic and Baseline Characteristics for the Pooled GEMINI-1 and -2 Population

Characteristic	DTG + 3TC (N=716)	DTG + TDF/FTC (N=717)
Age, median (range), y	32.0 (18-72)	33.0 (18-70)
≥50 y, n (%)	65 (9)	80 (11)
Female, n (%)	113 (16)	98 (14)
Race, n (%)		
African American/African heritage	99 (14)	76 (11)
Asian	71 (10)	72 (10)
White	480 (67)	497 (69)
Other	66 (9)	72 (10)
Ethnicity, n (%)		
Hispanic or Latino	215 (30)	232 (32)
Not Hispanic or Latino	501 (70)	485 (68)
HIV-1 RNA, median (range), log₁₀ c/mL	4.43 (1.59-6.27)	4.46 (2.11-6.37)
≤100,000	576 (80)	564 (79)
>100,000^a	140 (20)	153 (21)
CD4+ cell count, median (range), cells/mm³	427.0 (19-1399)	438.0 (19-1497)
>200	653 (91)	662 (92)
≤200	63 (9)	55 (8)

^a2% of participants in each arm had baseline HIV-1 RNA >500,000 c/mL

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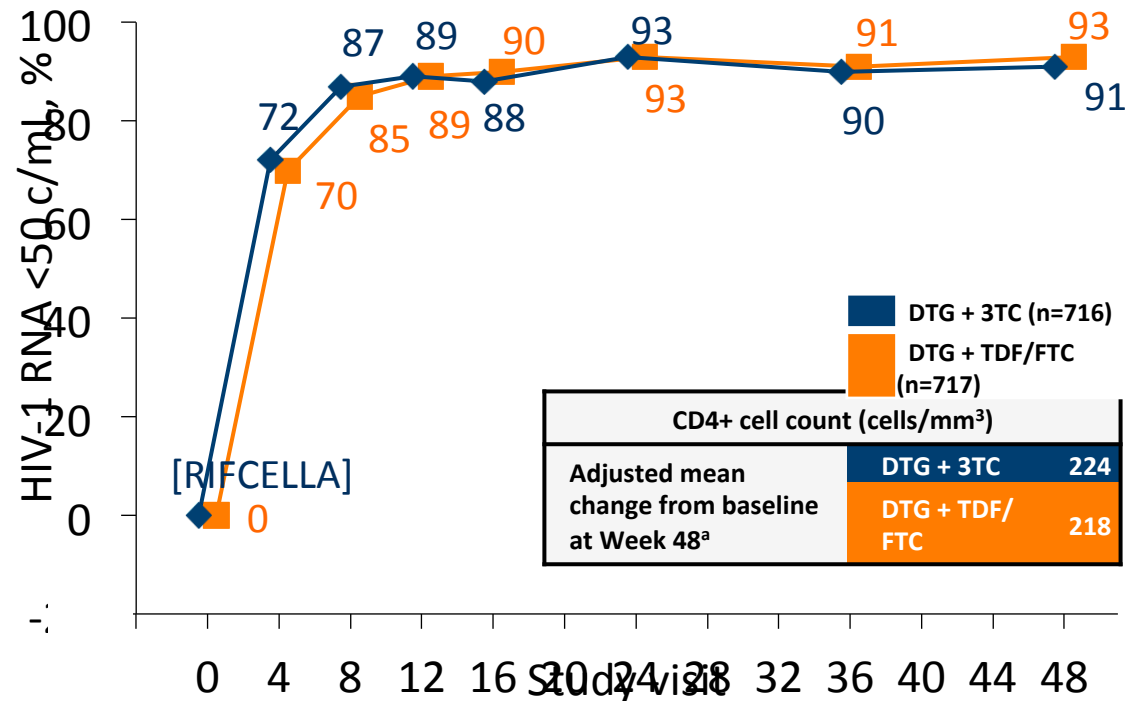
Snapshot Outcomes at Week 48 for GEMINI-1 and -2



^aBased 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) and CD4⁺ cell count (≤ 200 cells/mm³ vs > 200 cells/mm³).

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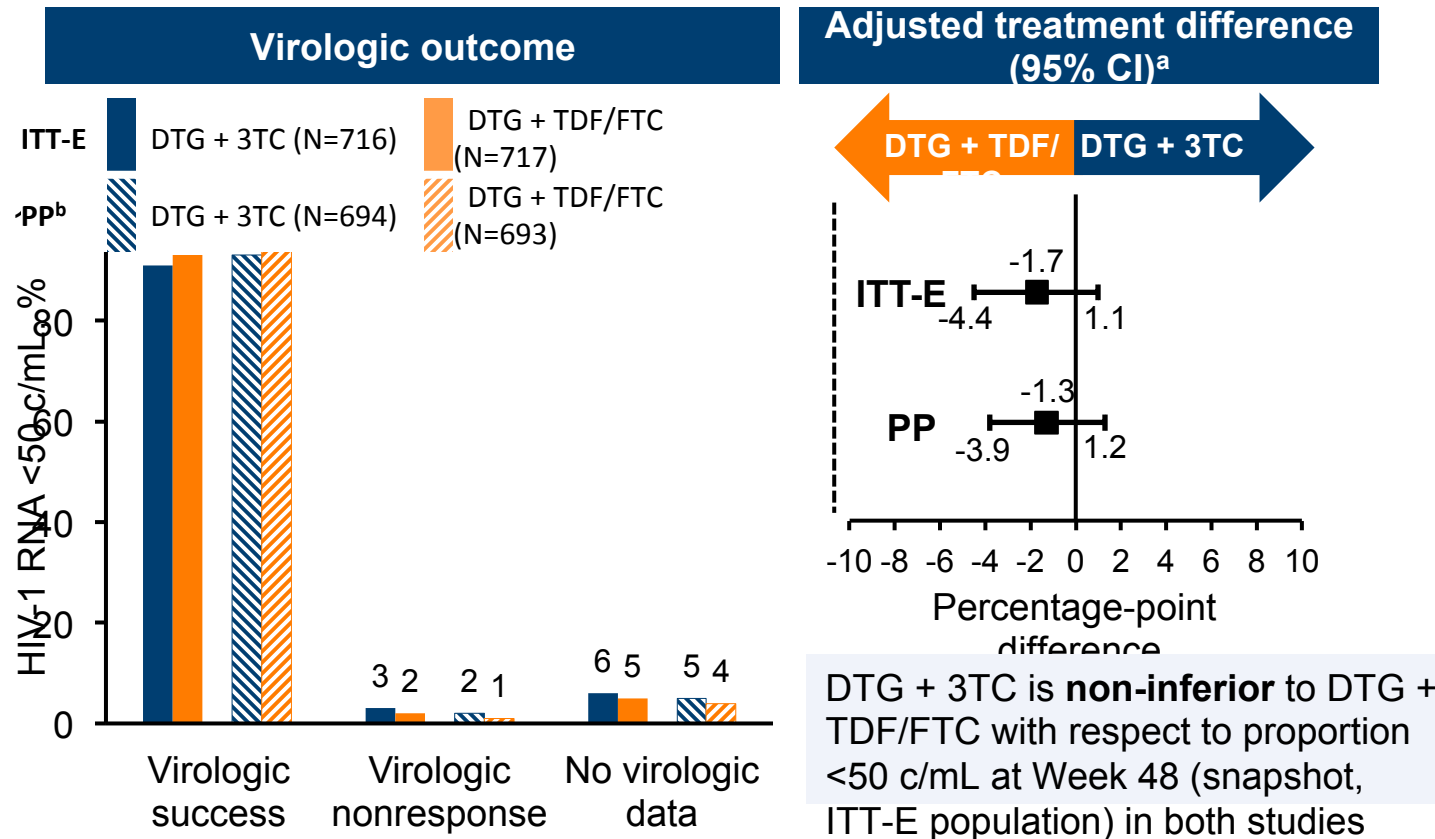
Snapshot Analysis by Visit: Pooled ITT-E Population



^aCalculated from a repeated measures model adjusting for study, treatment, visit (repeated factor), baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA, baseline CD4+ cell count, treatment and visit interaction, and baseline CD4+ cell count and visit interaction.

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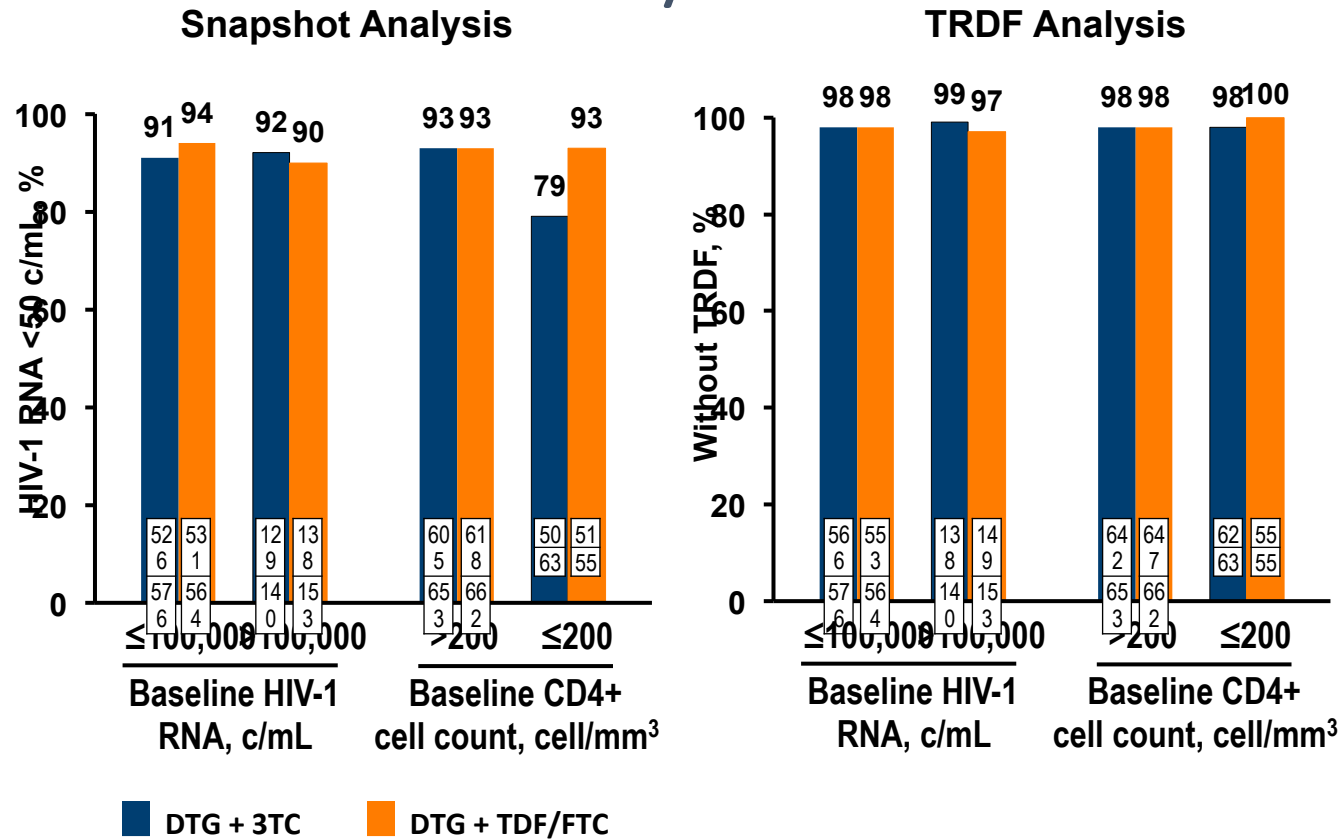
Pooled Snapshot Outcomes at Week 48: ITT-E and Per Protocol Populations



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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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Confirmed Virologic Withdrawals Through Week 48: ITT-E Population

- Low rates of virologic withdrawals were observed at Week 48

Variable, n (%)	GEMINI 1		GEMINI 2		Pooled	
	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)
CVW	4 (1)	2 (<1)	2 (<1)	2 (<1)	6 (<1)	4 (<1)
Treatment-emergent resistance	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

CVW criteria defined as a second and consecutive HIV-1 RNA value meeting virologic non-response or rebound.

- **Virologic non-response:**

- a decrease in plasma HIV-1 RNA of less than 1 log₁₀ c/mL by Wk 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**

- confirmed rebound in plasma HIV-1 RNA levels to ≥200 c/mL after prior confirmed suppression to <200 c/mL.

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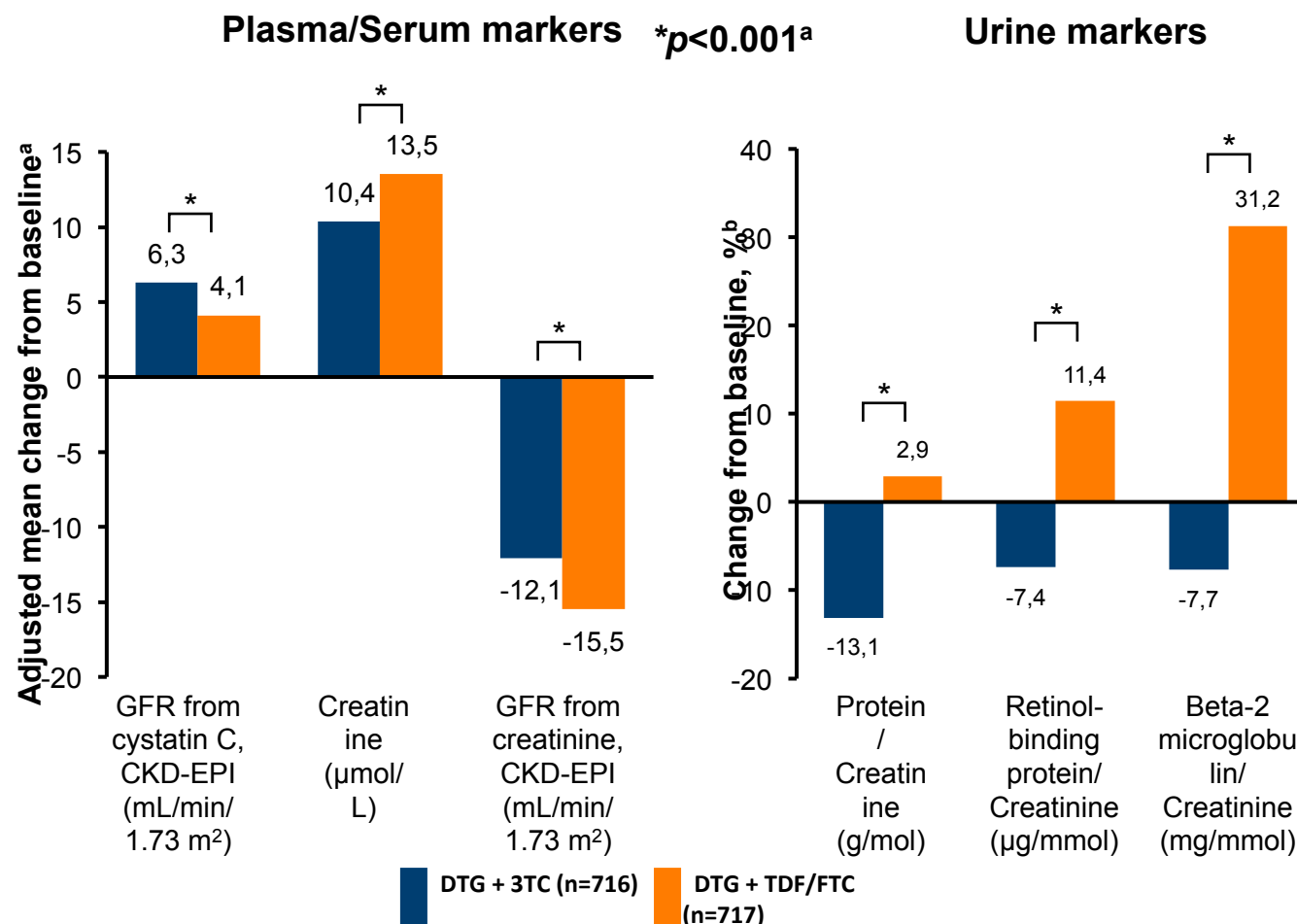
Adverse Events: Pooled ITT-E Population

n (%)	DTG + 3TC (N=716)	DTG + TDF/ FTC (N=717)
Any AE	543 (76)	579 (81)
AE occurring in ≥5% of participants in either group		
Headache	71 (10)	75 (10)
Diarrhea	68 (9)	77 (11)
Nasopharyngitis	55 (8)	78 (11)
Upper respiratory tract infection	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 participants		
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^a	50 (7)	55 (8)

^a2 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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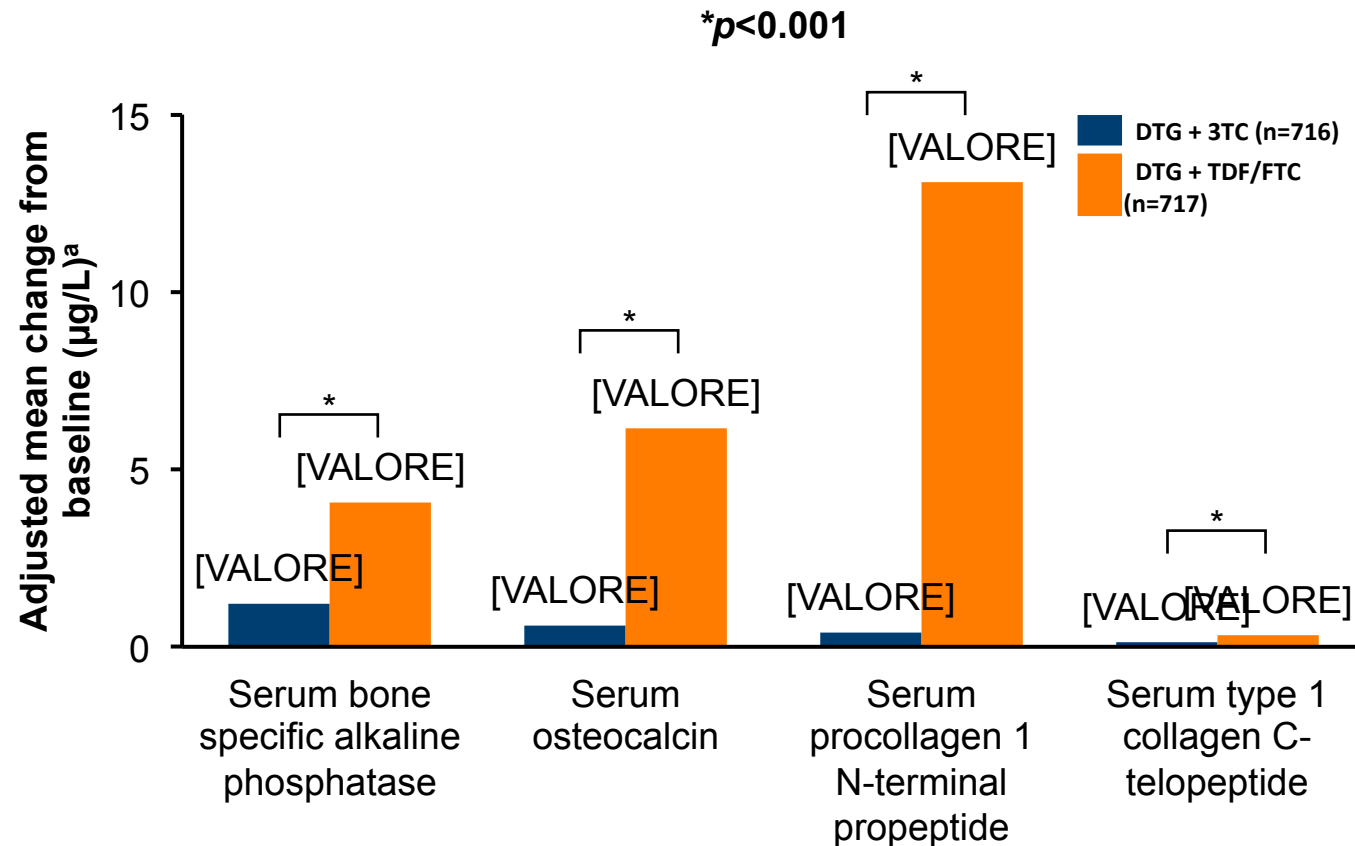
Change in Renal Biomarkers at Week 48: Pooled ITT-E Population



^aEstimated 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). ^bEstimated from geometric mean ratio for baseline and Week 48.

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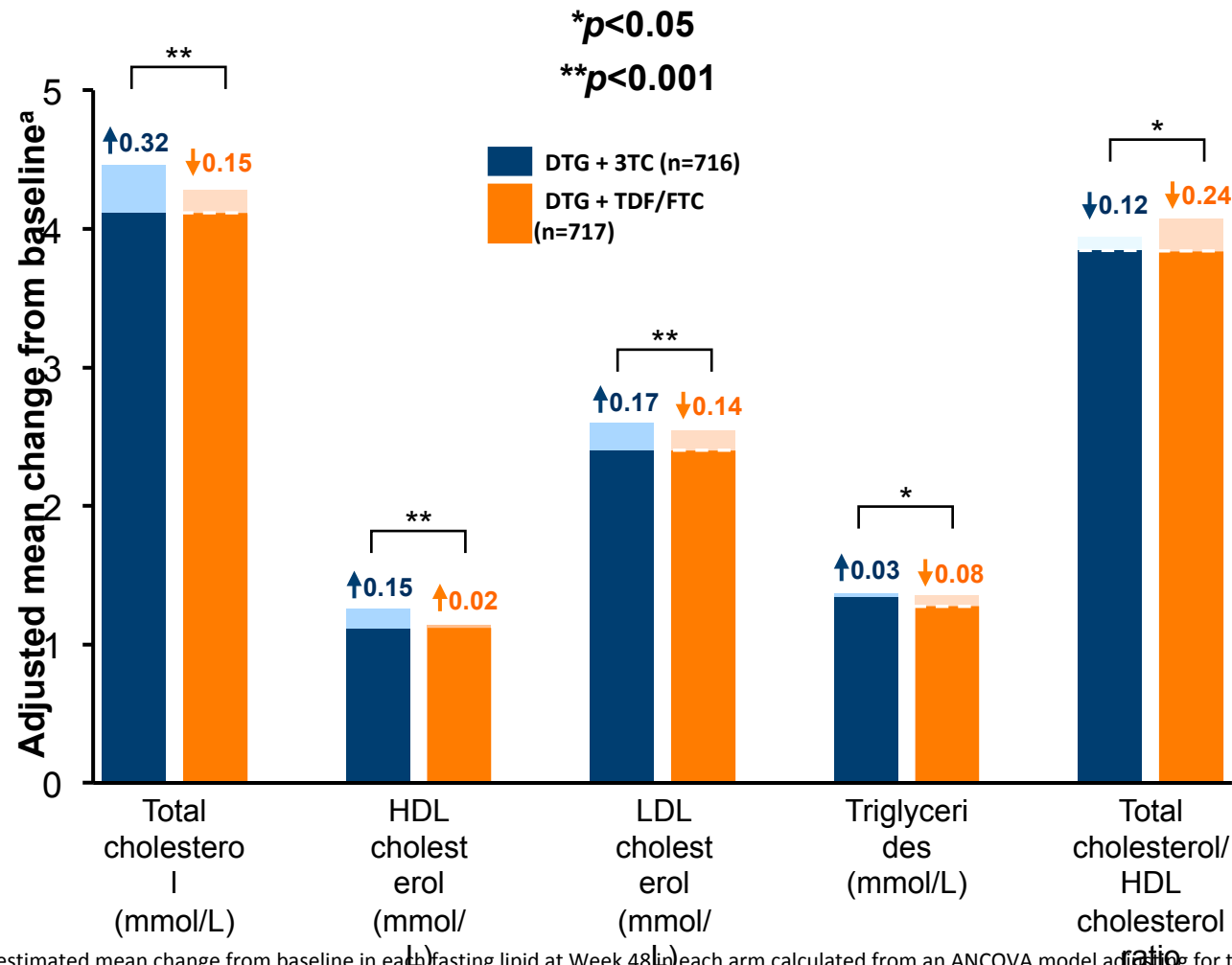
Change in Bone Markers at Week 48: Pooled ITT-E Population



^aEstimated 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).

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Change in Serum Lipids at Week 48: Pooled ITT-E Population



^aThe adjusted mean is the estimated mean change from baseline in each fasting lipid at Week 48 in each arm calculated from an ANCOVA model adjusting for the following covariates/factors: study treatment, baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA, baseline CD4+ cell count, age and fasting lipids at baseline. Multiple imputed dataset (missing at random). Absolute values based on summaries. Baseline values are represented by the main legend colors, with changes at Week 48 represented by shaded areas (increases) or dashed lines (decreases).

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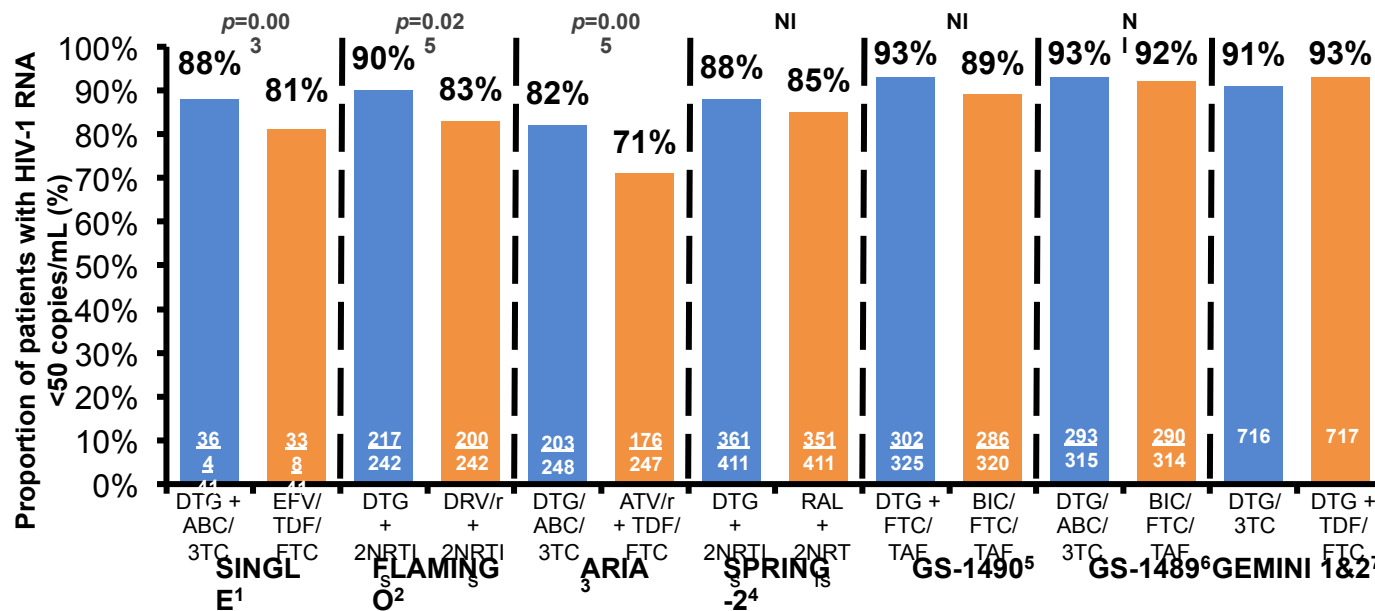
Conclusions

- GEMINI-1 and-2 results demonstrate noninferior virologic efficacy for the 2DR DTG + 3TC vs the 3DR DTG + TDF/FTC at Week 48
- Both DTG + 3TC and DTG + TDF/FTC were associated with low rates of confirmed virologic withdrawals through Week 48
 - No treatment-emergent INSTI or NRTI mutations were observed among participants who met CVW criteria
- Overall safety and tolerability profile at Week 48 was comparable between the 2 regimens
 - Fewer drug-related AEs with DTG + 3TC
 - Change in renal and bone biomarkers significantly favors DTG + 3TC
- These data support DTG + 3TC as an effective option for the treatment of HIV-1 infection

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Overall Results for Dolutegravir-based Regimens in Studies of Treatment-Naïve Patients

Overall Week 48 snapshot analysis

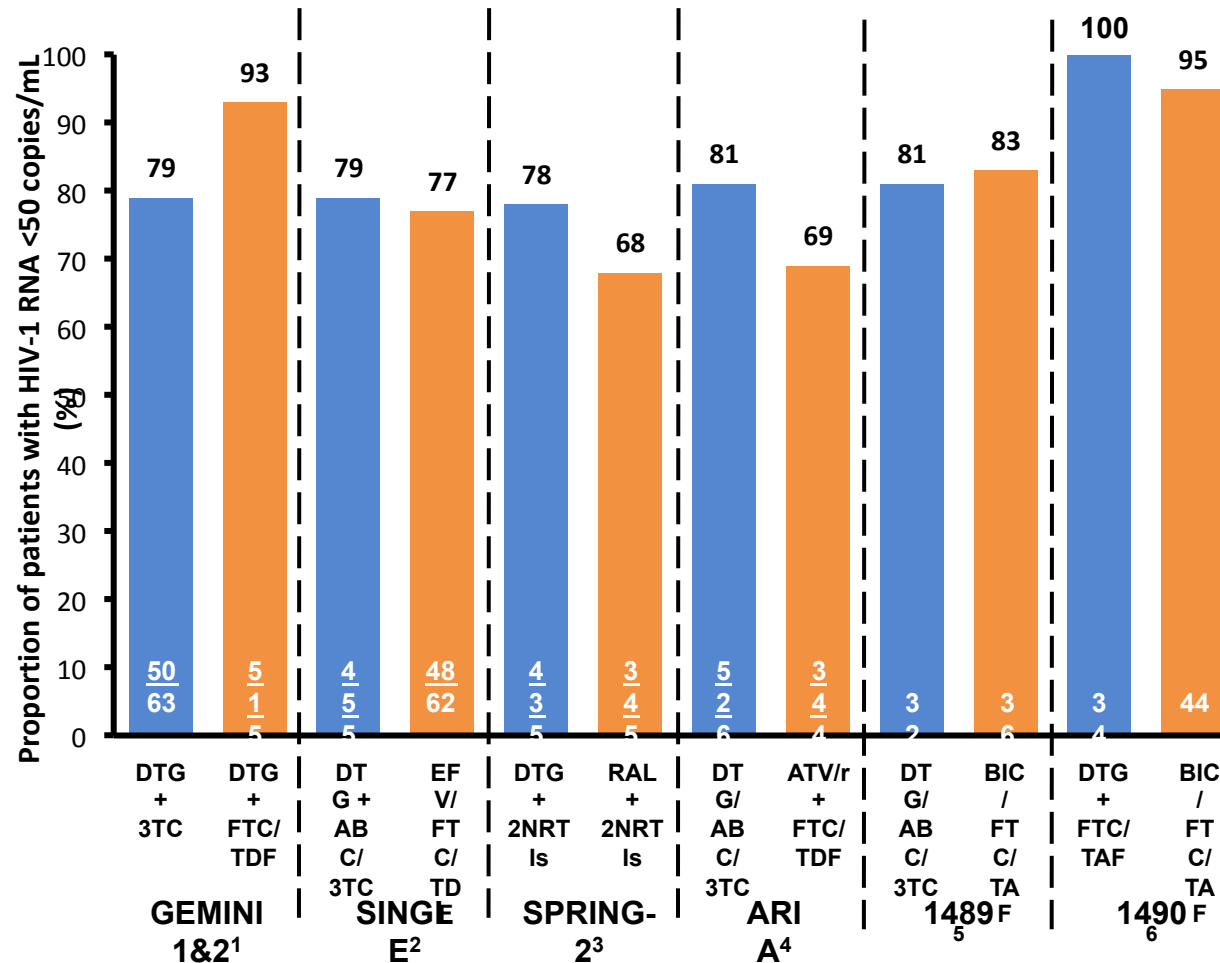


3TC=lamivudine; ABC=abacavir; ATV=atazanavir; BIC=bictegravir; DTG=dolutegravir; EFV=efavirenz; FTC=emtricitabine; NI=noninferior treatment difference; NRTI=nucleos(t)ide reverse transcriptase inhibitor (either ABC/3TC or TDF/FTC in FLAMINGO and SPRING-2); RAL=raltegravir; r=ritonavir; TAF=tenofovir alafenamide; TDF=tenofovir disoproxil fumarate

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DTG phase III treatment-naïve RCT

Week 48 Snapshot Analysis in patients with baseline CD4+ count ≤ 200 cells/mm³

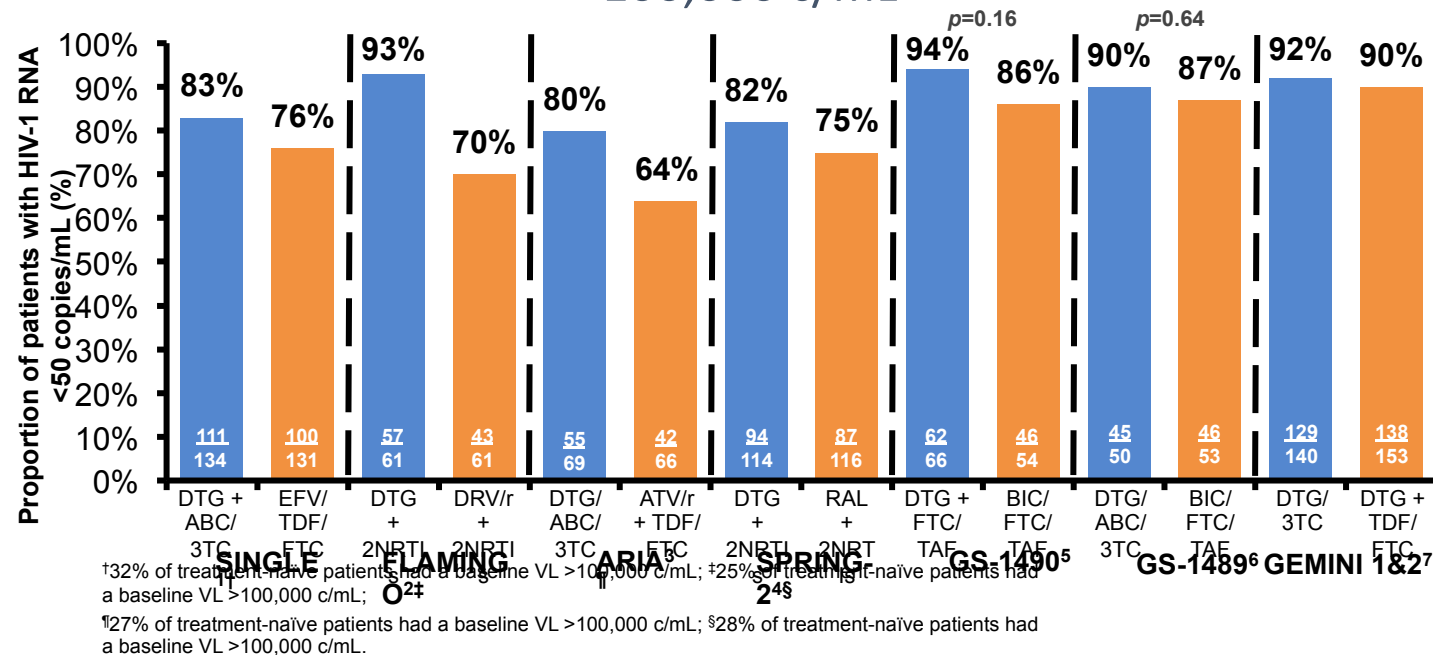


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DTG phase III treatment-naïve RCT

Week 48 Snapshot Analysis in patients with baseline VL >100,000 c/mL

Week 48 snapshot analysis for patients with baseline VL > 100,000 c/mL



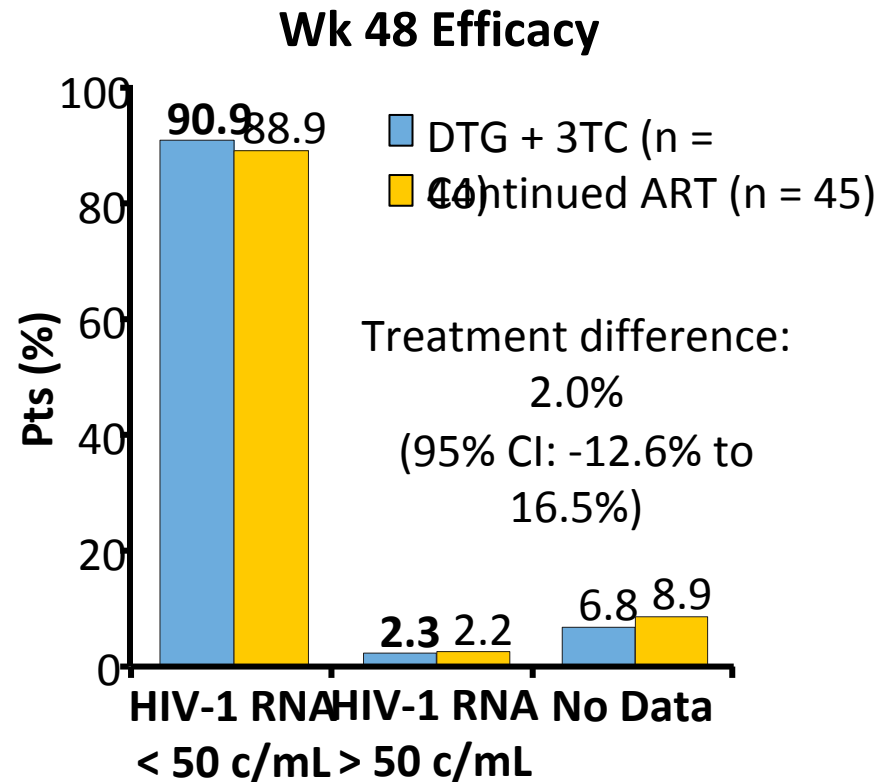
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treatment difference; NRTI=nucleos(t)ide reverse transcriptase
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Switch to DTG+3TC in Virologically Suppressed Pts on Triple ART

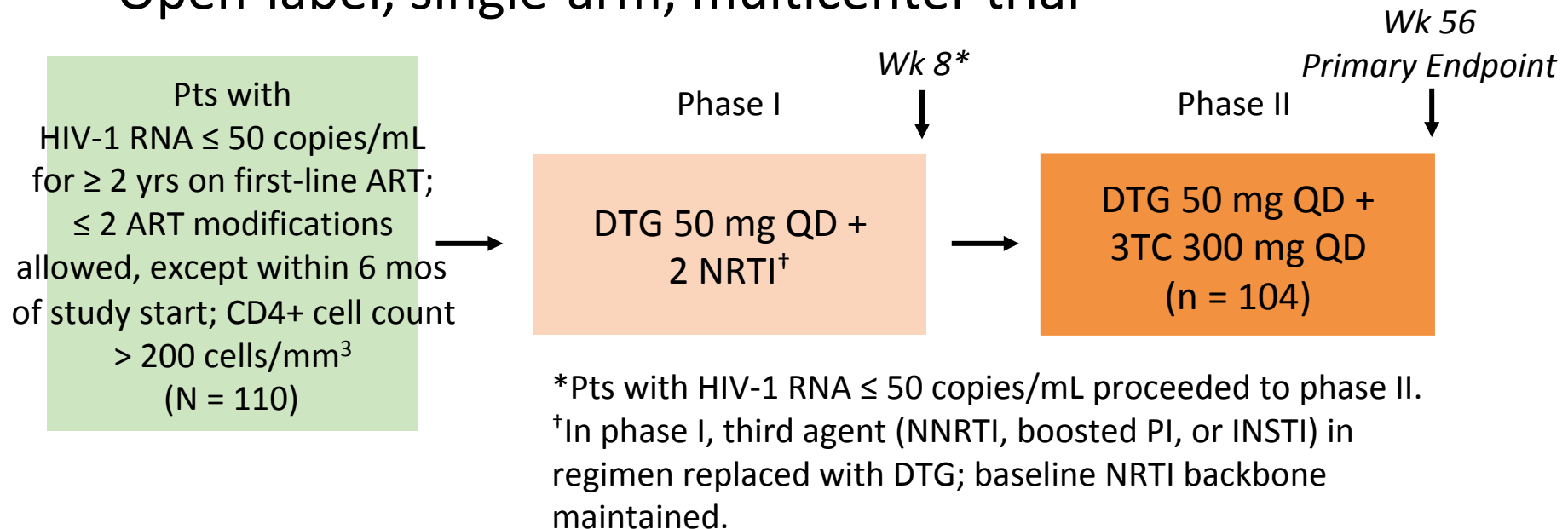
- Randomized, open-label, multicenter phase III trial in which pts who were virologically suppressed on 3-drug ART regimen with no history of VF were randomized to **DTG + 3TC QD** or **continued 3-drug ART** (N = 90)



- Similar lipid changes between regimens
- CrCl changes from baseline, DTG + 3TC vs continued ART:
 - Wk 24: -6 vs 3.6 ($P < .001$)
 - Wk 48: -3.8 vs 0 ($P = .07$)
- Similar rates of SAEs; 1 d/c for AEs (DTG + 3TC arm, grade 2 constipation)

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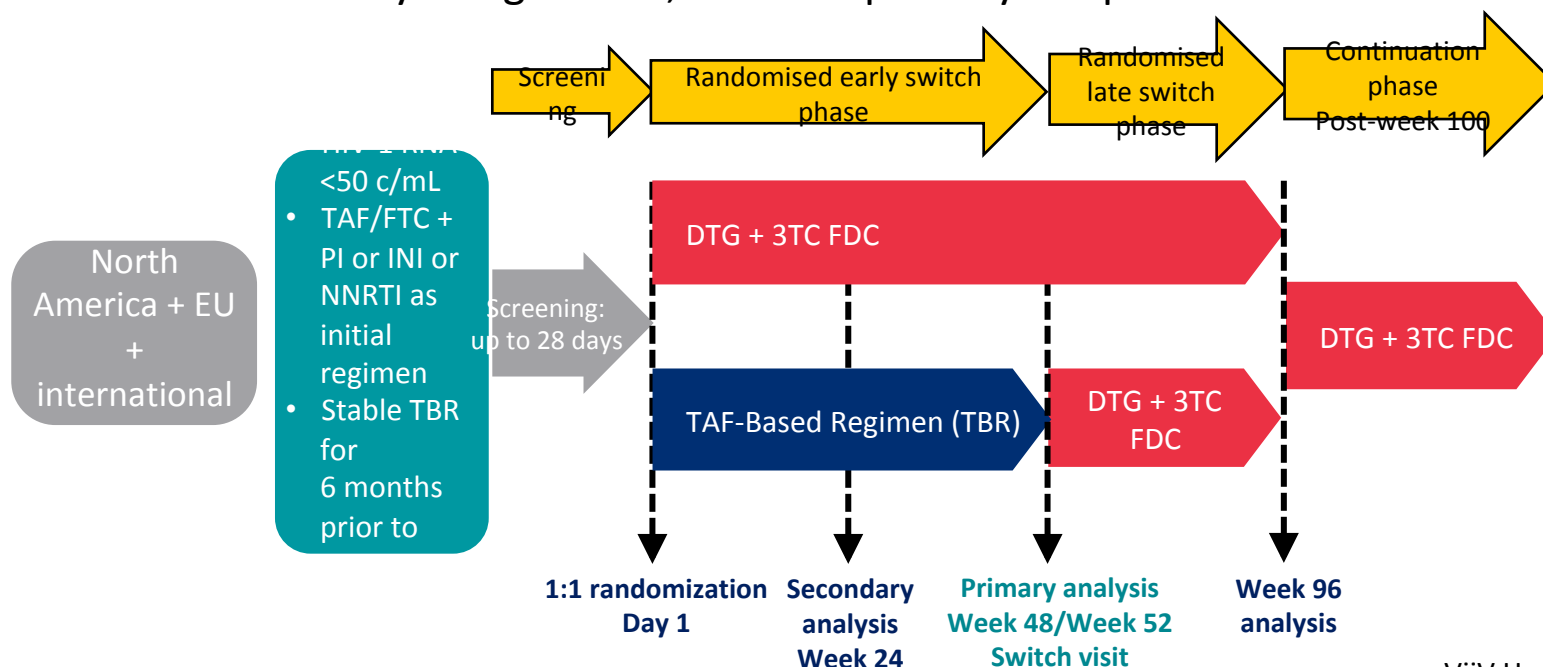
- Open-label, single-arm, multicenter trial



- 97% (n/N = 101/104) of pts maintained therapeutic success through 40 wks (study Wk 48)
- 7 serious AEs, only 2 related to dual therapy

Maintenance Dolutegravir +3TC (TANGO)

- **Design** : Phase III, randomised, multicentre, parallel-group, non-inferiority study
- **Objective**: To demonstrate the 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 patients
- **Primary endpoint**: The proportion of participants who meet the snapshot virological failure criteria at Week 48 using the ITT-E population
 - Non-inferiority margin = 4%; week 48 primary endpoint



Cost-effectiveness and Budget Impact of DTG+3TC 2DR for the Treatment of HIV Infection in the US

The 3 ART strategies had the **same 5-year survival rates (90%)**. The ICER was \$22 500/QALY for induction-maintenance and >\$500 000/QALY for standard of care. **Two-drug was the preferred strategy only when DTG + 3TC 48-week virologic suppression rate exceeded 90%**. With 50% uptake of either induction-maintenance or 2-drug for ART-naïve patients, cost savings totaled \$550 million and **\$800 million**, respectively, within 5 years; **savings reached >\$3 billion if 25% of currently suppressed patients were switched to DTG + 3TC maintenance**.

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.

