

Strategie a lungo termine della terapia antiretrovirale

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A green highway sign with a white border, mounted on a metal structure with five black brackets. The sign features the text 'The Future' in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below it, in a smaller white font, are the words 'NEXT EXIT' followed by a white arrow pointing diagonally upwards and to the right. The background of the sign is a solid green color.

The Future

NEXT EXIT





Influence of Geographical Origin and Ethnicity on Mortality in Patients on Antiretroviral Therapy in Canada, Europe, and the United States

Background. Our objective was to assess differences in all-cause mortality, as well as AIDS and non-AIDS death rates, among patients started on antiretroviral therapy (ART) according to their geographical origin and ethnicity/race in Europe, Canada, and the United States.

Methods. This was a collaboration of 19 cohort studies of human immunodeficiency virus-positive subjects who have initiated ART (ART Cohort Collaboration) between 1998 and 2009. Adjusted mortality hazard ratios (AHRs) were estimated using Cox regression. A competing risk framework was used to estimate adjusted subdistribution hazard ratios for AIDS and non-AIDS mortality.

Results. Of 46 648 European patients, 16.3% were from sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), 5.1% Caribbean and Latin America, 1.6% North Africa and Middle East, and 1.7% Asia/West; of 1371 patients from Canada, 14.9% were First Nations and 22.4% migrants, and of 7742 patients from North America, 55.5% were African American and 6.6% Hispanic. Migrants from SSA (AHR, 0.79; 95% confidence interval [CI], .68–.92) and Asia/West (AHR, 0.62; 95% CI, .41–.92) had lower mortality than Europeans; these differences appeared mainly attributable to lower non-AIDS mortality. Compared with white Canadians, mortality in Canadian First Nations people (AHR, 1.48; 95% CI, .96–2.29) was higher, both for AIDS and non-AIDS mortality rates. Among US patients, when compared with whites, African Americans had higher AIDS and non-AIDS mortality, and hazard ratios for all-cause mortality increased with time on ART.

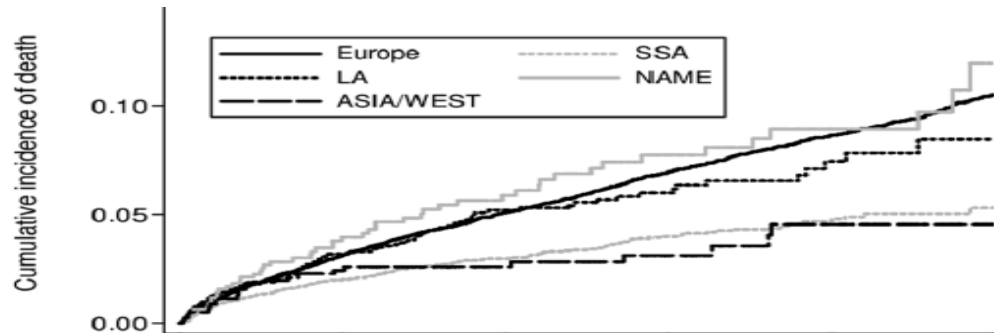
Conclusions. The lower mortality observed in migrants suggests “healthy migrant” effects, whereas the higher mortality in First Nations people and African Americans in North America suggests social inequality gaps.



Cumulative incidence of death from antiretroviral initiation according to geographical origin and race/ethnicity

Europe

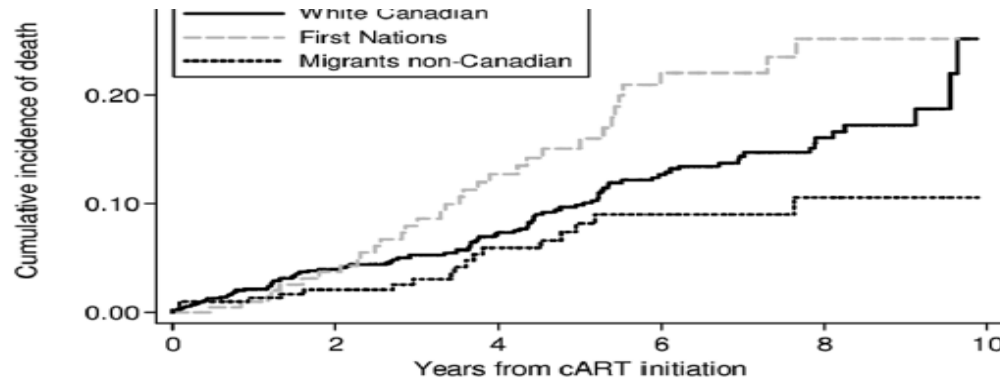
46,648 subjects



the lowest mortality rate was observed in Europe

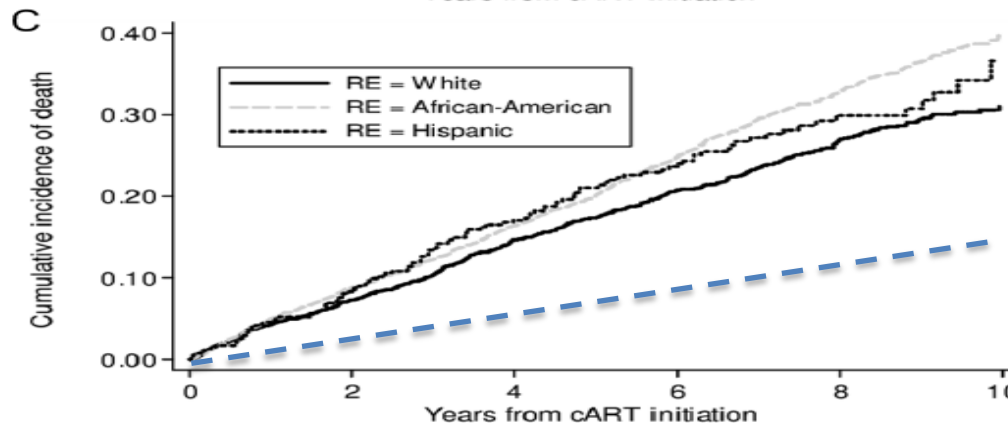
Canada

1,371 subjects



USA

7,742 subjects



Europe



In Europe, migrants from Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia/West had lower mortality than Europeans

Origin or Ethnicity/Race	Person-Years of Follow-up	AIDS Related ^a		Non-AIDS Related ^b	
		No. of Deaths	Rate (95% CI)	No. of Deaths	Rate (95% CI)
Europe					
EUROPE	170 705	681	→ 4.0 (3.7–4.3)	1101	→ 6.4 (6.1–6.8)
SSA	32 046	109	3.4 (2.8–4.1)	80	2.5 (2.0–3.1)
LA	9002	44	4.9 (3.6–6.6)	40	4.4 (3.3–6.1)
NAME	3709	17	4.6 (2.8–7.4)	25	6.7 (4.6–10.0)
ASIA/WEST	3685	11	3.0 (1.7–5.4)	11	3.0 (1.7–5.4)
Canada					
White Canadian	4256	41	x 2,4 → 9.6 (7.1–13.1)	42	x 1,5 → 9.9 (7.3–13.4)
First Nations	983	12	12.2 (6.9–12.5)	20	20.3 (13.1–31.5)
Migrants	1339	8	6.0 (3.0–11.9)	8	6.0 (3.0–11.9)
United States					
White	14 161	277	x 4,9 → 19.6 (17.4–22.0)	225	x 2,4 → 15.9 (13.9–18.1)
African American	21 273	574	27.0 (24.9–29.3)	402	18.9 (17.1–20.8)
Hispanic	2551	65	25.5 (20.0–32.5)	42	16.5 (12.2–22.3)

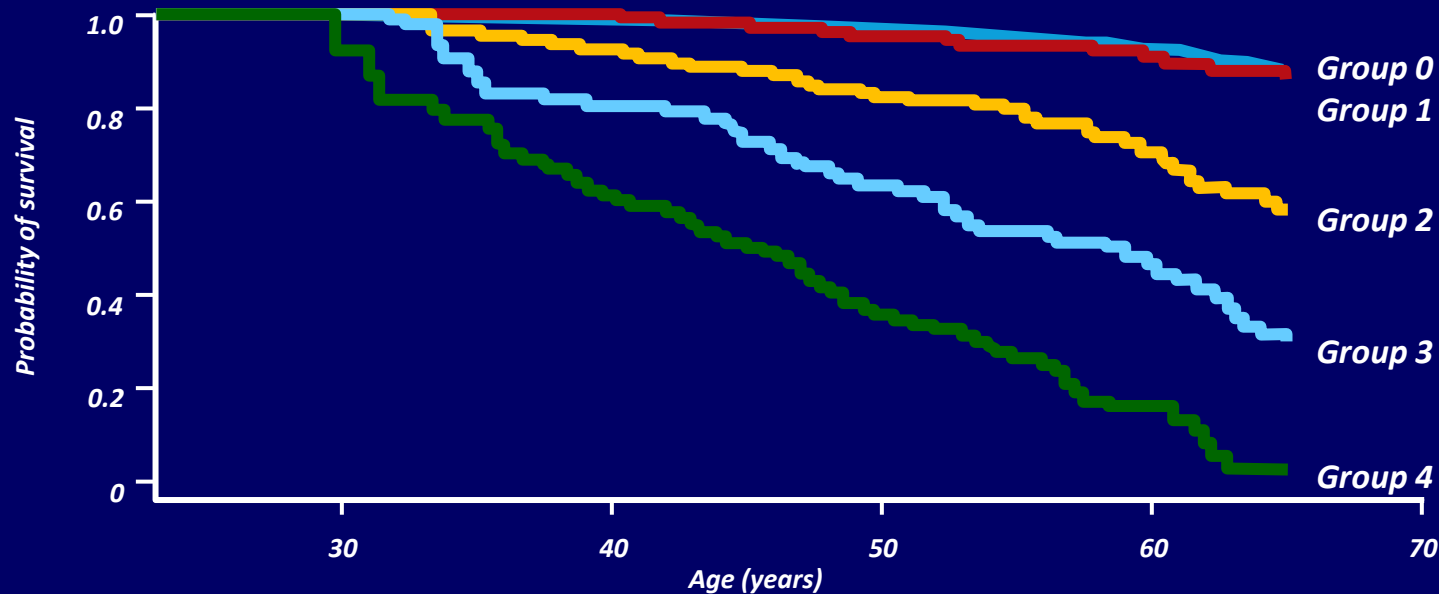
Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; LA, Caribbean and South and Central America; NAME, Northern Africa and Middle East; SSA, sub-Saharan Africa; WEST, non-European Western countries.

^a AIDS-related mortality: AIDS, AIDS infection, AIDS malignancy.

^b Non-AIDS-related mortality: liver related (hepatitis, gastrointestinal bleeding, liver failure), cardiovascular (myocardial infarction/ischemic heart disease, stroke, lung embolus, heart/vascular), pulmonary (pulmonary hypertension, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, respiratory), external cause (accident/violence, suicide), other (diabetes, pancreatitis, lactic acidosis, renal failure, hematological, psychiatric, central nervous system, digestive, skin/motor system, other).

Danish HIV Cohort Study

Life Expectancy of HIV+ Persons vs General Population



Cumulative survival for HIV-infected patients starting HAART & persons from the general population

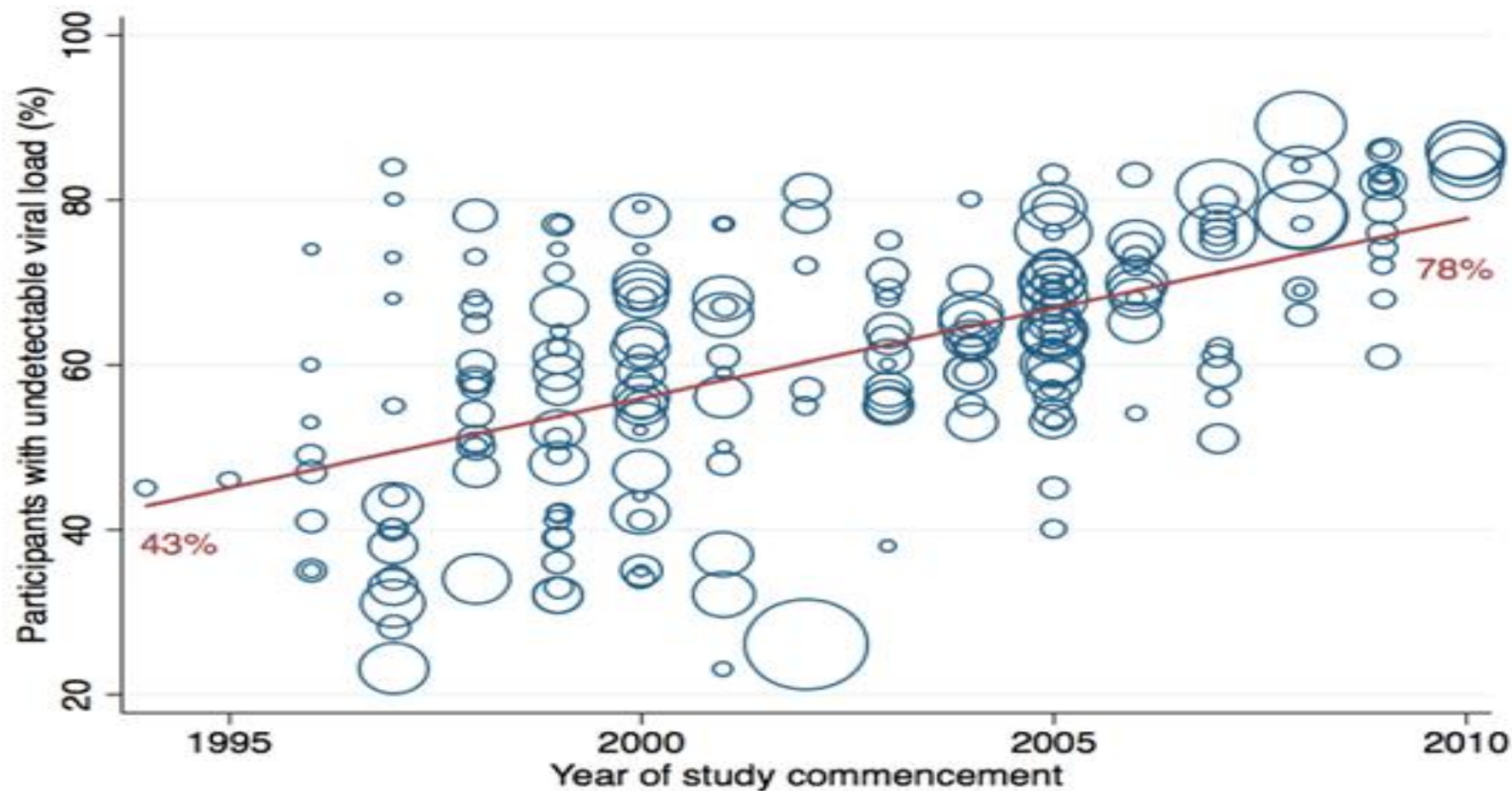
Group 0 Population comparison

Group 1 HIV +

Group 2 HIV + + Risk factors

Group 3 HIV + + Comorbidity

Group 4 HIV + + alcohol / drug abuse



ART Coverage: Low/Middle- and High-Income Countries

Country Ranking of % of HIV-Infected Patients on ART (Abbreviated Table)

Ranking	Country*	No. HIV-Infected	No. on ART	% on ART
1.	United Kingdom	98,400	65,928	67.0
2.	Botswana	340,000	212,083	62.4
3.	Denmark	6,500	4,029	62.0
4.	France	149,900	89,940	60.0
5.	Netherlands	25,000	14,817	59.0
6.	Rwanda	210,000	114,978	54.8
11.	British Columbia	11,700	5,975	51.1
13.	Cambodia	110,000	48,913	44.5
18.	Ethiopia	760,000	288,137	37.9
26.	Australia	33,000	11,523	35.0
30.	United States	1,148,200	375,461	32.7

*High-income countries in red – ART coverage data extracted from published reports

- If all 51 countries had 62% ART coverage (Botswana): 1.2 million (65%) new infections and 1 million (70%) of HIV related deaths in 2012 could have been avoided
- Some low income countries now have higher ART coverage than high income countries, e.g. the USA (33%, ranked 30th out of 58)

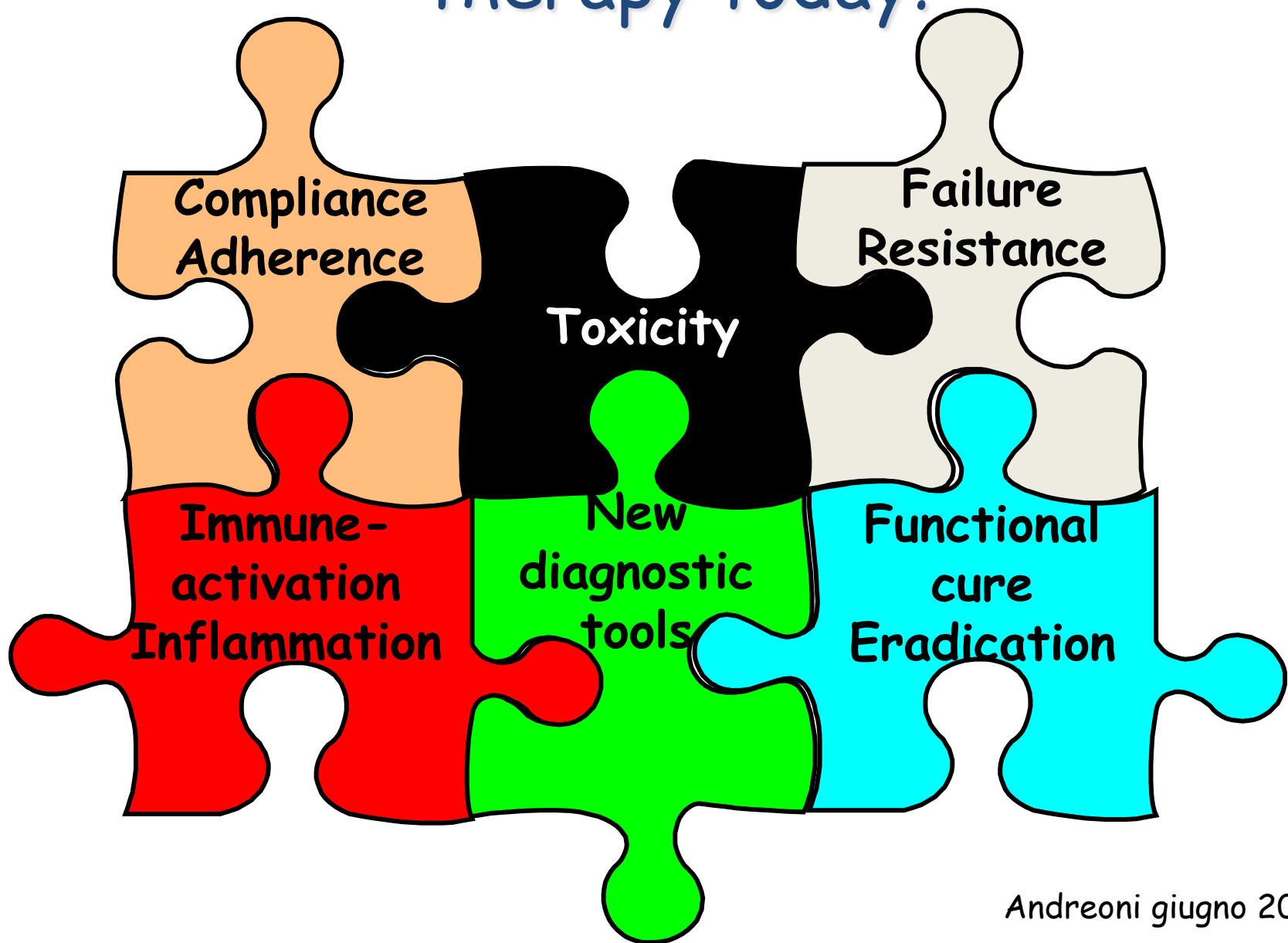
A photograph of Earth from space, showing the horizon and a bright light source (the sun) creating a lens flare. The text "Sterilizing cure" is written in red, italicized font at the top.

Sterilizing cure

Functional cure

Long-term treatment

What problems in the antiretroviral therapy today?





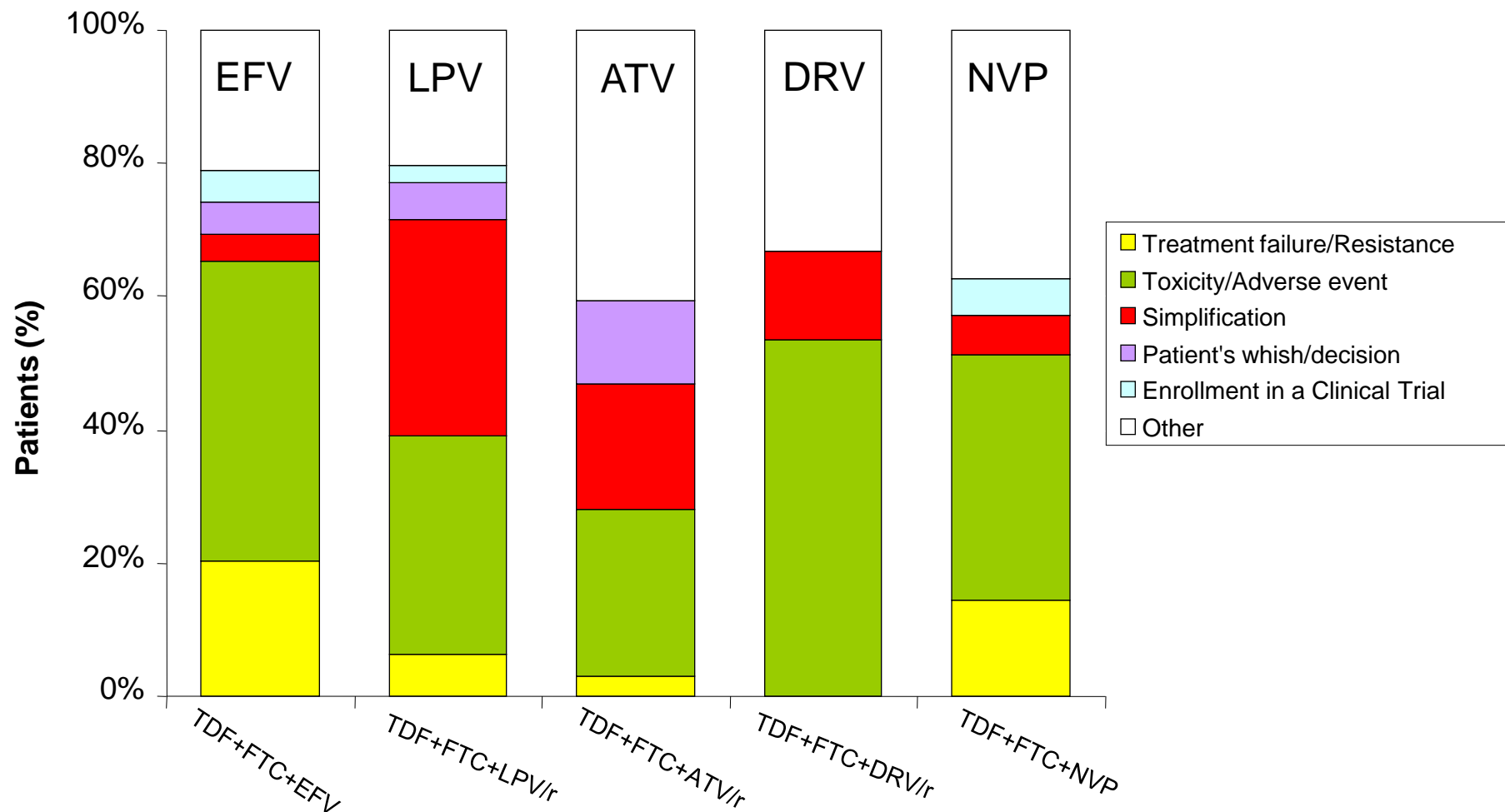
**We need
new drugs
and/or new
strategies?**

Problems in Chronic HIV Treatment



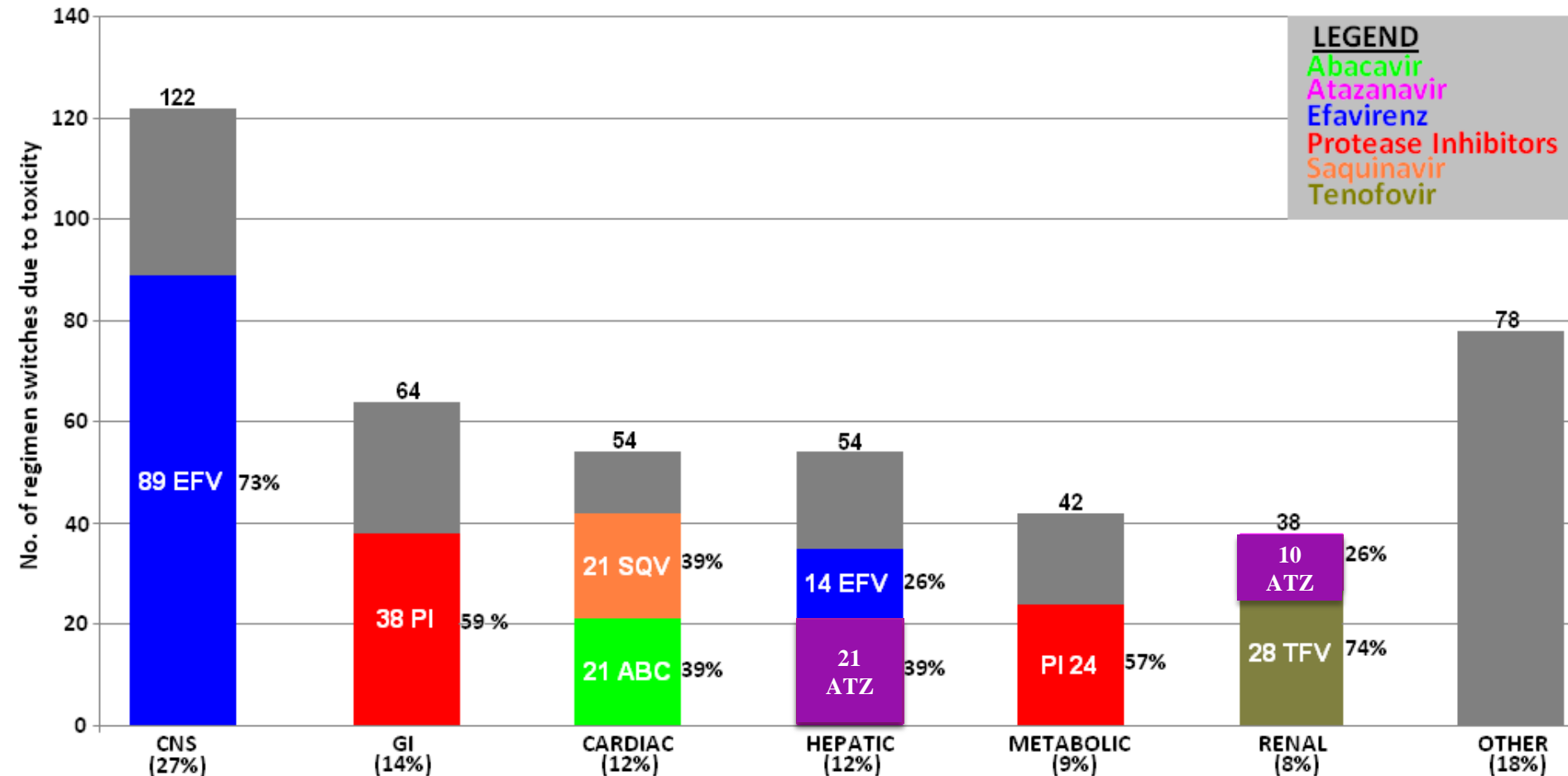
Toxicity remains a major reason for first-line cART change

Persistence of first line ART in the Spanish prospective HIV cohort CoRIS



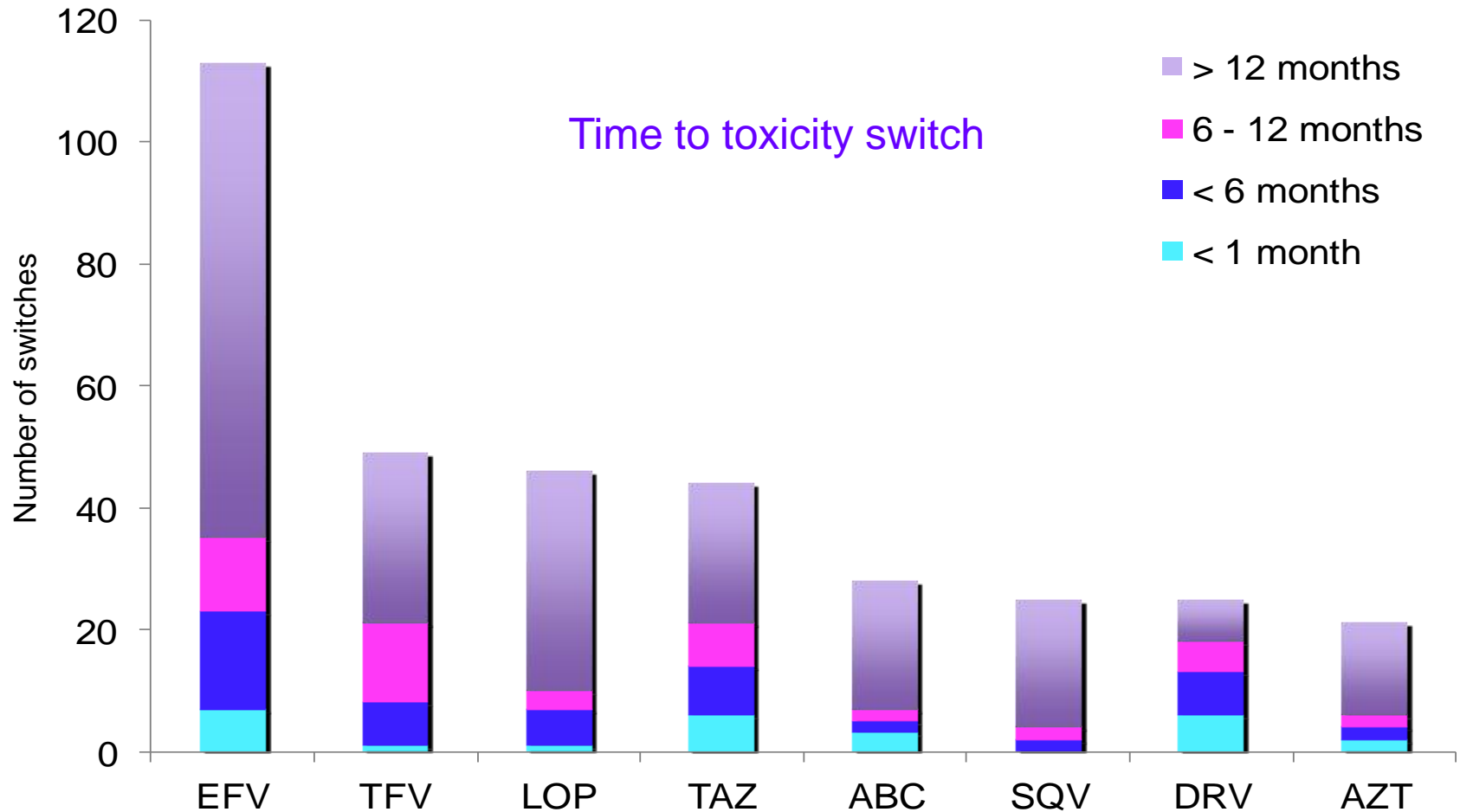
Major toxicities of most common drugs are the reasons for ART switch

Chelsea and Westminster Cohort
452 switches due to toxicity/perceived toxicity



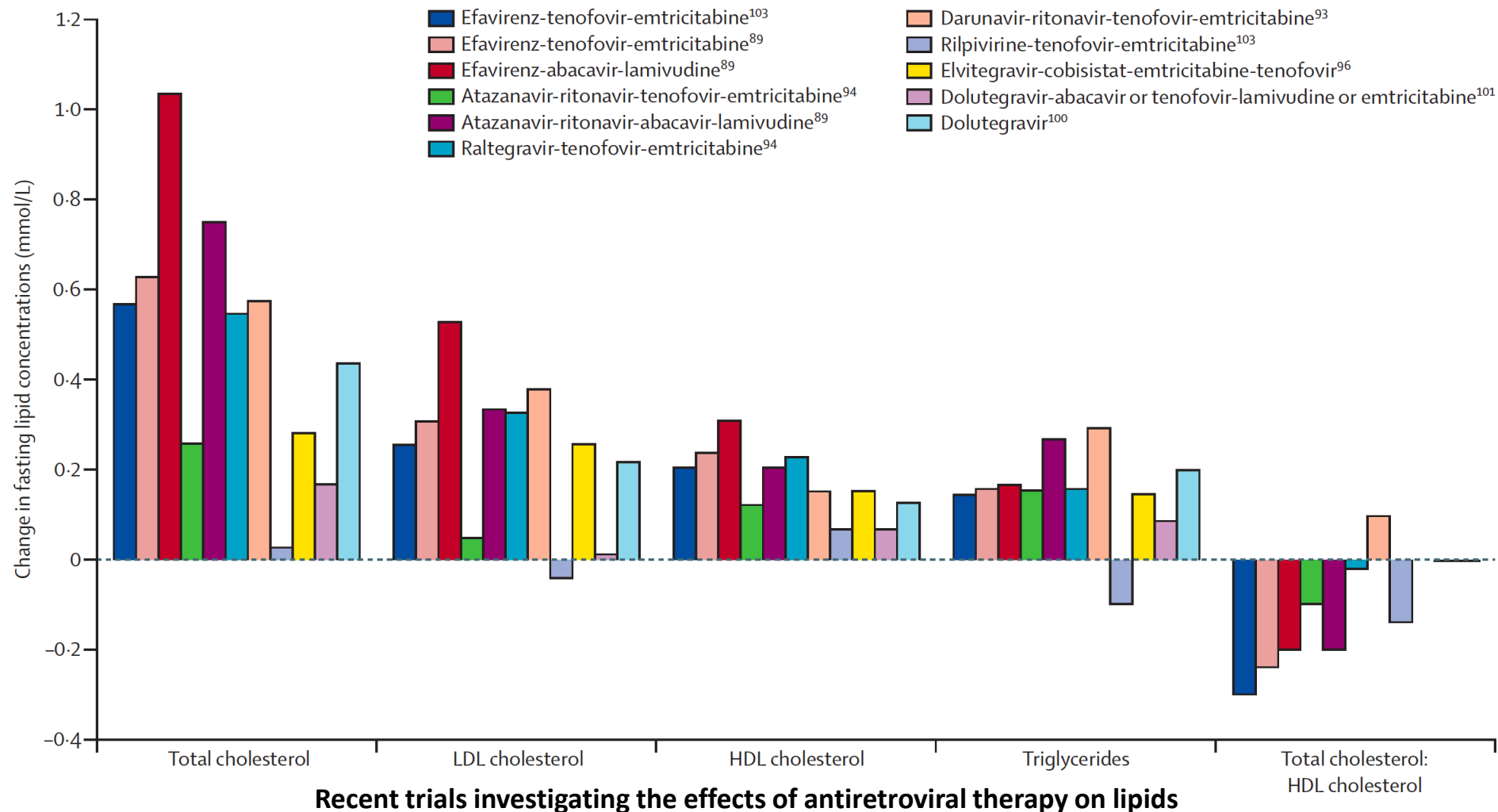
Time to toxicity switch not necessarily short

Chelsea and Westminster Cohort



Metabolic disease in HIV infection

Metabolic diseases probably develop at the intersection of traditional risk factors (such as obesity, tobacco use, and genetic predisposition) and HIV-specific and ART-specific contributors (including chronic inflammation and immune activation)



Problems in Chronic HIV Treatment



**New
drugs**



RPV, TAF, COB

**New
Strategies**

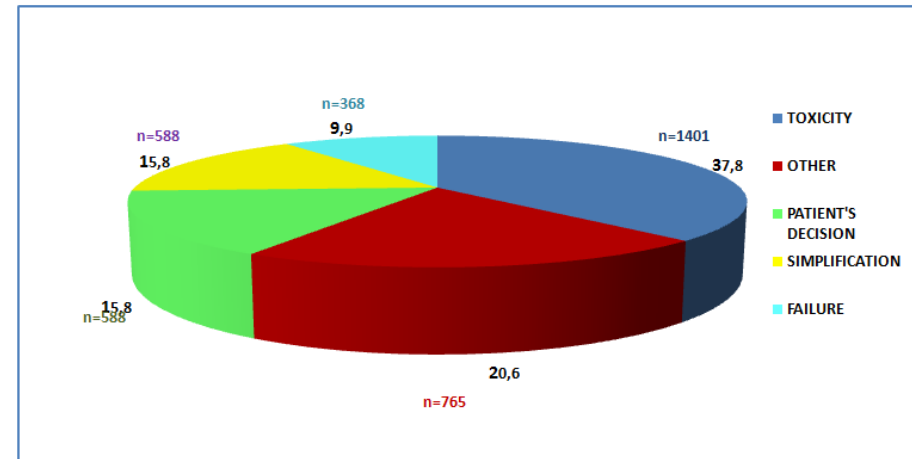


**Mono-Dual
therapy**



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Italian Cohort of Antiretroviral Naïve Patients

**Distribution of reason for ever stopping the drugs
included in the first regimen**



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STR: Strategie per ogni fase della terapia

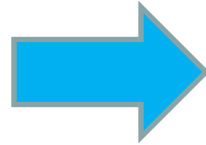


Naive

Switch per tossicità

NNRTI

Atripla/Eviplera

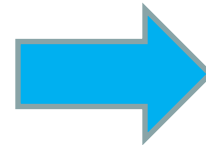


PI DRV/cob/FTC/7340

INI Stribild – DLT/ABC/3TC

PI

DRV/cob/FTC/7340



NNRTI Atripla

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New
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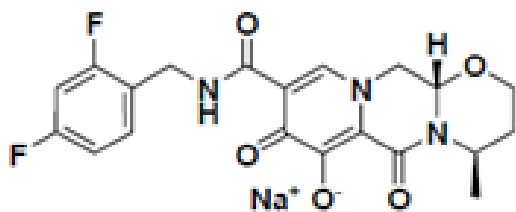
Long-
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drugs



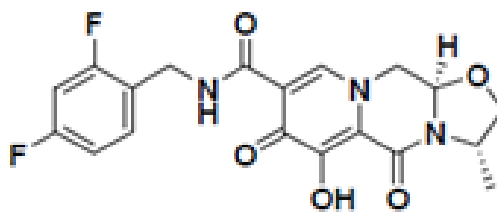
Treatment
Prophylaxis

GSK 1265744A

➤ Analogue to Dolutegravir (DTG) with similar preclinical profile



Dolutegravir (DTG)



GSK1265744 (744)

➤ GSK744 is well-suited to long acting nanosuspension

➤ GSK 744 LAP 200 mg/mL formulation for IM or SC

- No cold chain storage requirements

- HIV PrEP: mono or combination ARV approach

- HIV treatment: need for partner LA-ARV agent(s); ongoing clinical collaboration with Janssen long-acting NNRTI (rilpivirine)

S/GSK1265744 Biochemical and Antiviral Characteristics

- S/GSK744 shows potent antiviral activity and high plasma protein shift

Compound	IC50 in PBMCs (nM)
S/GSK744	0.22
Dolutegravir	0.51
Raltegravir	2
Elvitegravir	2

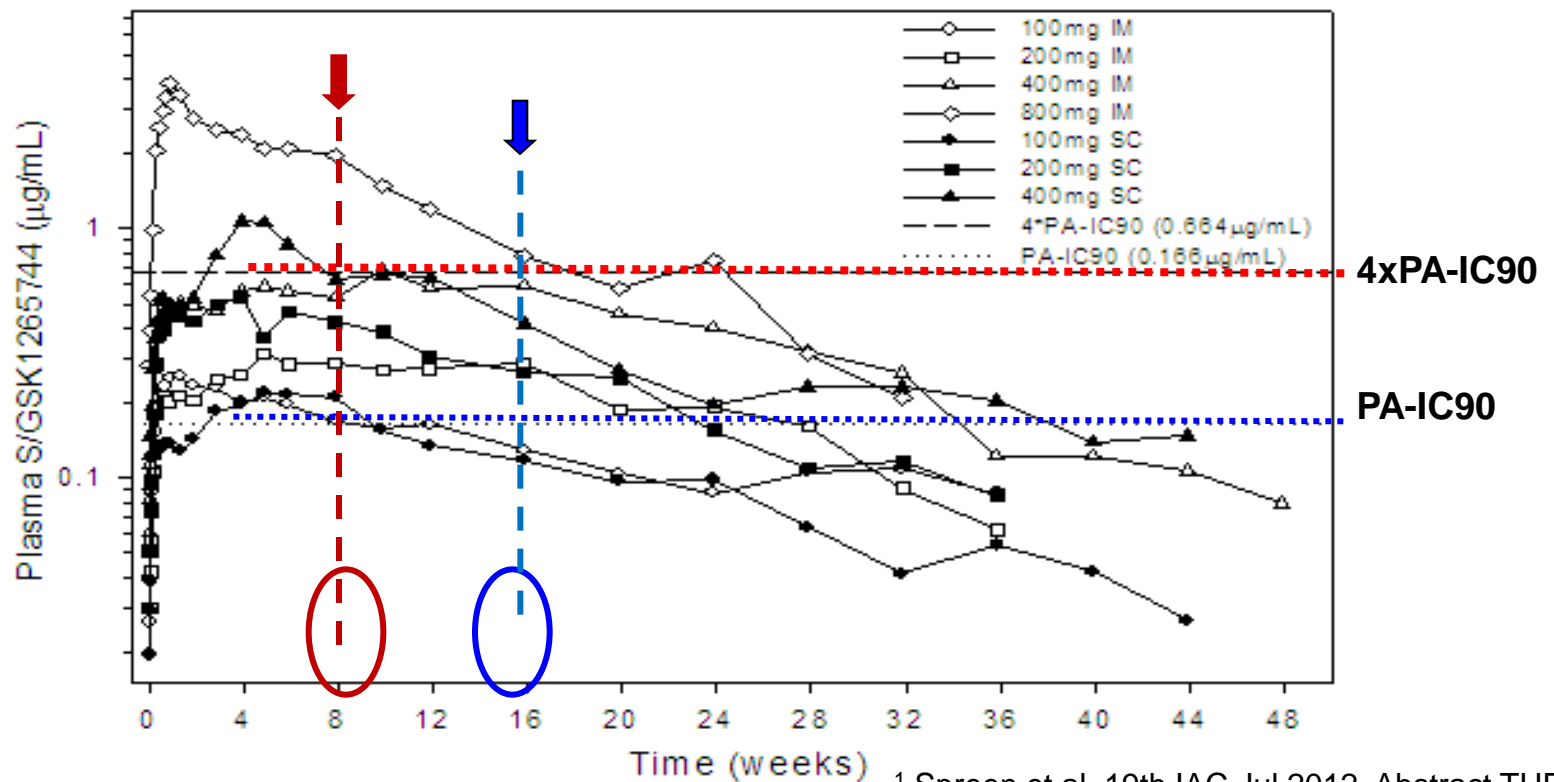
- S/GSK744 shows antiviral activity against a broad range of clinical isolates

	N	Mean IC50 in PBMC (range) nM
HIV-1 subtypes (Group M: A, B, C, D, E, F, G; Group O)	28	0.18 (0.02-1.06)
HIV-2	4	0.12 (0.10-0.14)

S/GSK1265744 Nanosuspension for Injection: a Potential Long-Acting Therapy for HIV Infection and PrEP

S/GSK744 LAP 200mg/mL formulation for IM or SC use

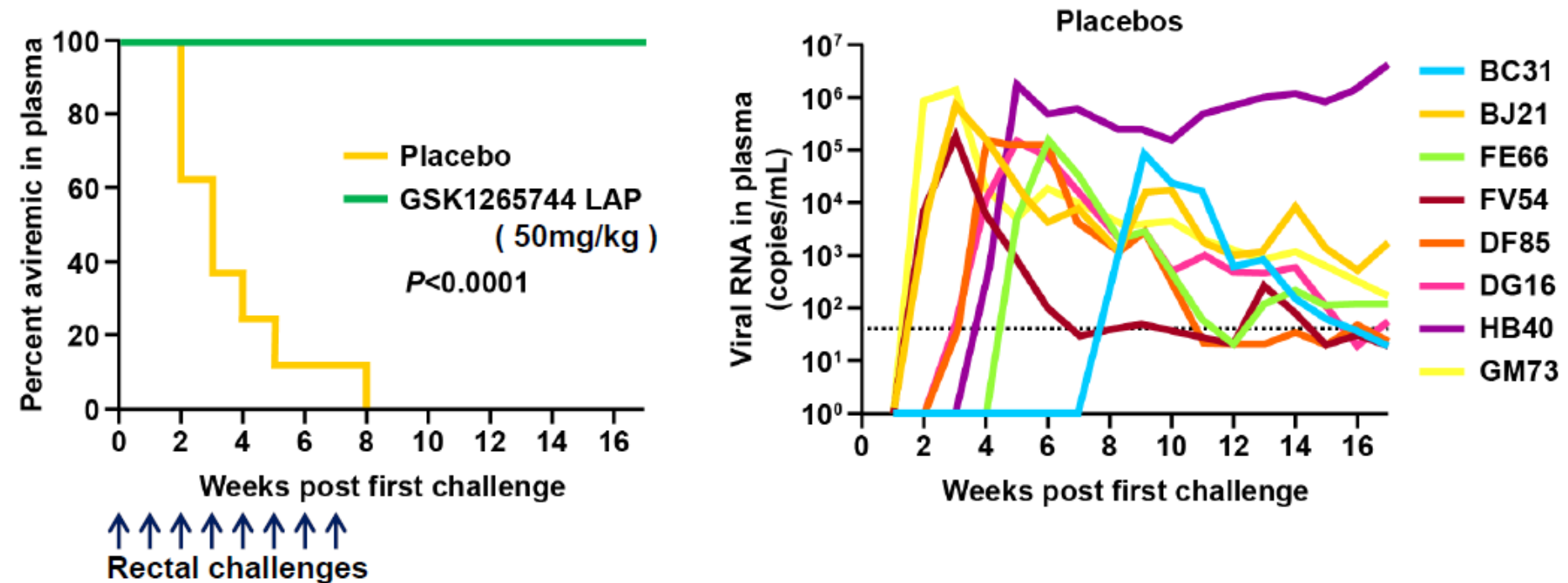
- Phase 1 single dose study of 100-800mg IM/SC
- Single dose S/GSK744 LAP injections in healthy subjects (n= 42) were generally well tolerated and produced apparent **plasma half-life range of 21-50 days**
- **Data support once-monthly to once-quarterly dosing**



¹ Spreen et al. 19th IAC Jul 2012. Abstract TUPE040
Yoshinaga, T, et al. 52nd ICAAC. 9-12 Sept 2012. Abstract H-550.

Long-acting Parenteral Formulation of GSK1265744 Protects Macaques against Repeated Intrarectal Challenges with SHIV

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- Proviral DNA and virus-specific antibody responses
 - Not detected in any GSK1265744 LAP-treated macaque
 - Detected in all placebo-treated animals

GSK744 - LATTE Study

24-week interim analysis - Safety and Efficacy Results

Ongoing, Phase 2b, randomised, multicentre, partially blinded, dose ranging study to demonstrate the safety and efficacy of GSK-744 LA + RPV LA

ART-naïve adults HIV RNA > 1000 c/mL N = 243	Oral Induction Phase (24wks)	Oral Maintenance Phase (72w)
	GSK774 10 mg + 2 NRTIs (n=60)	GSK774 10 mg + RPV 25 mg
	GSK774 30 mg + 2 NRTIs (n=60)	GSK774 30 mg + RPV 25 mg
	GSK774 60 mg + 2 NRTIs (n=61)	GSK774 60 mg + RPV 25 mg
	EFV 600 mg + 2 NRTIs (n=62)	

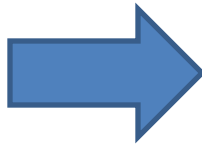
Primary endpoint: Percentage of subjects with HIV-1 RNS <50 copies/mL at week 48 by FDA snapshot

- At Week 24, **87%** of subjects in the GSK-744 10mg and **74%** of subjects on EFV were virologically suppressed (HIV-1 <50 copies/mL)
- Similar rates of graded laboratory abnormalities between all doses of GSK-744 and EFV
- Neuropsychiatric AEs were more common with EFV compared with GSK-744
- Headache was more commonly seen with GSK-744 (21%) compared with EFV (11%)
- 4 subjects on GSK-774 and 8 subjects on EFV discontinued due to AEs
- No INI, NNRTI or NRTI mutations were detected through 24 wks

GSK 744 oral treatment in naive pts: LATTE study

Induction phase 24 wks

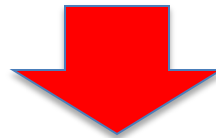
744 (10-30-60 mg) QD
+ 2 NRTI
(n. 215 naive pts)



Maintenance phase 96 wks

744 (10-30-60 mg) QD
+ RPV 25 mg QD

Atripla



- Successful two-drug regimen POC will trigger “LATTE-2” phase 2B study using long-acting injectable formulations (744+RPV) (first study using LA-ART in HIV infected population)
- 744 LAP 400 mg IM q28d: PK similar to 744 oral 30 mg QD
RPV 900 mg IM q28d: PK similar to RPV oral 25 mg QD

Current Investigational Agents for HIV PrEP

	Mechanism	Main dosing route	Dosing frequency	Development stage
Maraviroc (MVC)	CCR5 antagonist	oral	once daily	Phase 2 enrolling
Rilpivirine (RPV)-LA*	NNRTI	injectable, IM	once monthly	Phase 1 pilot; Phase 2 planned
Dapivirine	NNRTI	ring	monthly	Phase 3 enrolling
Ibalizumab	CD4 attachment inhibitor	injectable, SC	once weekly	Phase 1 pilot
744-LAP*	integrase inhibitor	injectable, IM	once quarterly	Phase 1 pilot; Phase 2 planned

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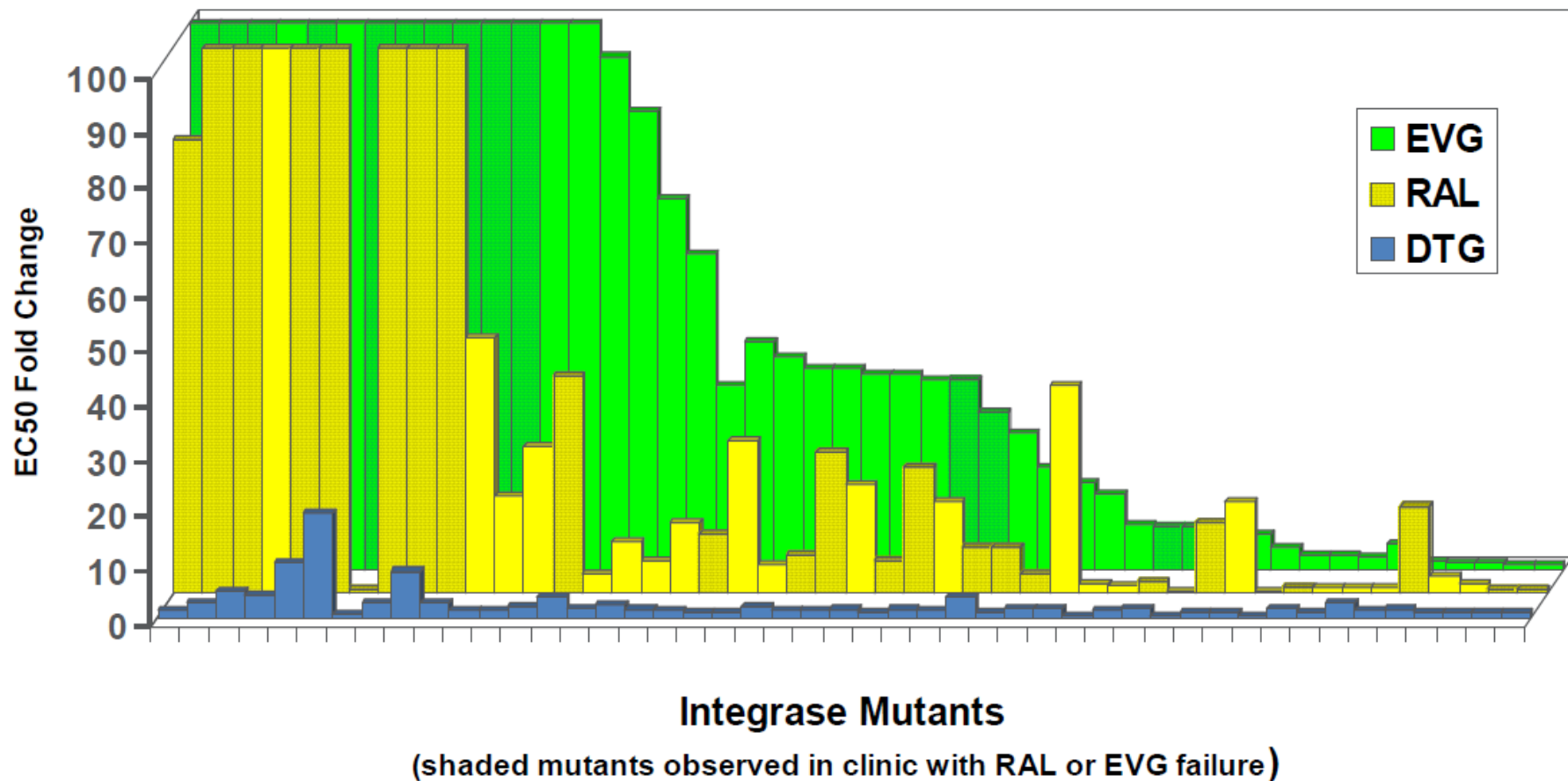
New
drugs



DLT
GSK 1265744

FOLD CHANGE IN EC₅₀ AGAINST MOLECULAR CLONES WITH INI SUBSTITUTION

In vitro, most RAL and EVG resistant strains remain susceptible to dolutegravir



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**New
drugs**



**DLT
GSK 1265744**

**New
Strategies**



**New synergistic
regimens**

Antiretroviral agents in clinical development

Drug class	Agent	Drug company
NRTI	BMS-986001 (ex Festinavir) Apricitabine (similar 3TC and FTC) GS-7340 (prodrug TFV)	Bristol-Myers-Squibb Avexa Gilead Sciences
NNRTI	Lersivirine (UK-453061) MK-1439	Pfizer MSD
PI	CTP-518 (deuterium-midified ATV) TMC-310911	Concert Pharma TIBOTEC
Integrase inhibitors	GSK-1265744	GSK
CCR5 inhibitors	Cenicriviroc (TBR-652) (also CCR2 inhibitor)	Tobira Therapeutics
Entry inhibitors	BMS-663068 (prodrud of an attachment inhibitor) Ibalizumab (CD4 mab)	Bristol-Myers Squibb TaiMed Biologics
Maturation Inhibitors (Gag)	Bevirimat (MPC-4326) GSK2838232	Myriad Genetics GSK

Pre-integration and post-integration targets in HIV life cycle

Pre-integration targets

Post-integration targets

Coreceptor antagonists



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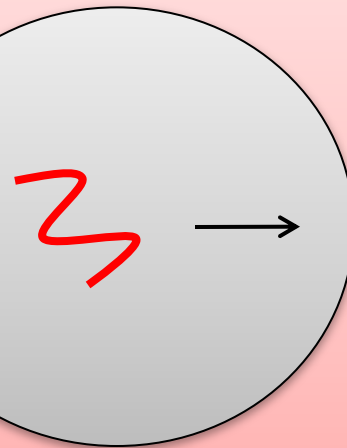
INI

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Fusion inhibitors



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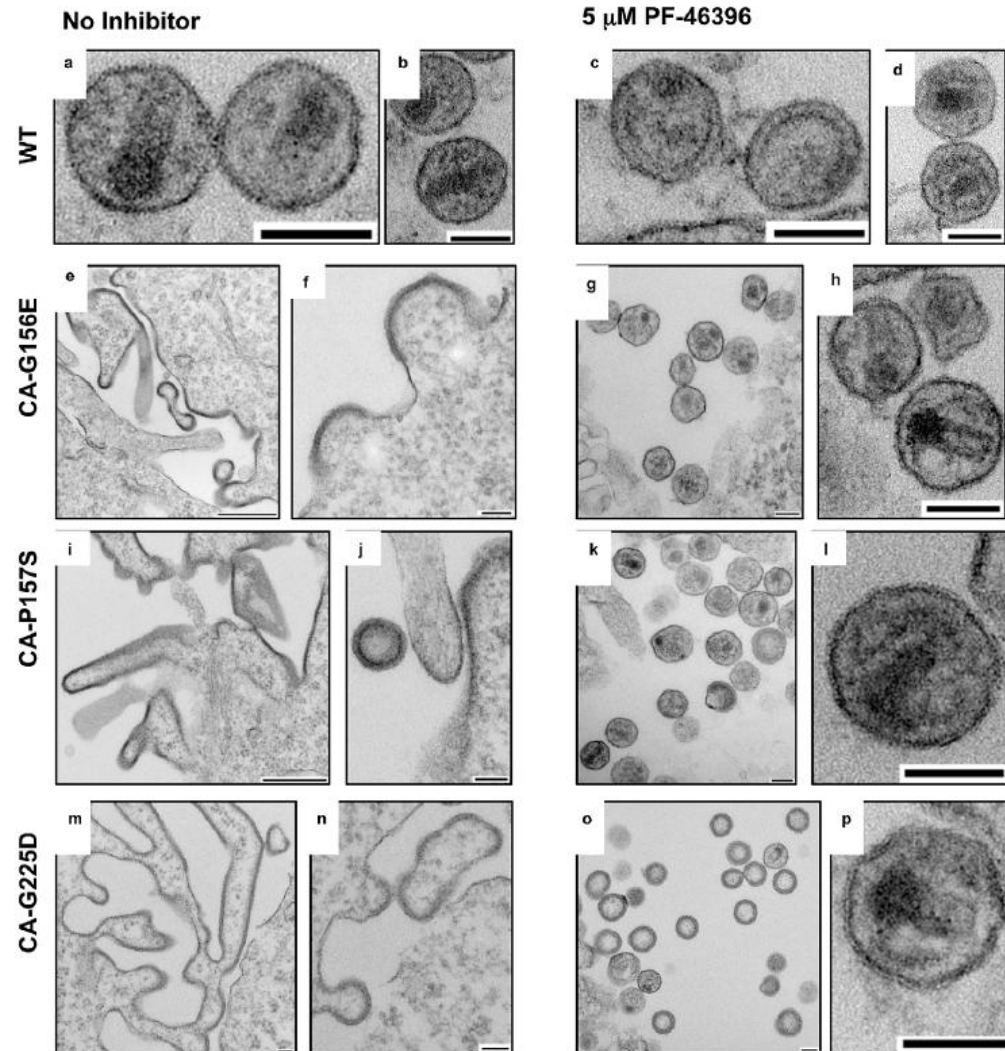
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Maturation inhibitors

Structural and Functional Insights into the HIV-1 Maturation Inhibitor Binding Pocket

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The first-in-class HIV-1 maturation inhibitor dimethylsuccinyl betulinic acid [PA-457 or **bevirimat** (BVM)] blocks HIV-1 maturation by inhibiting the cleavage of the binding pocket in Gag.

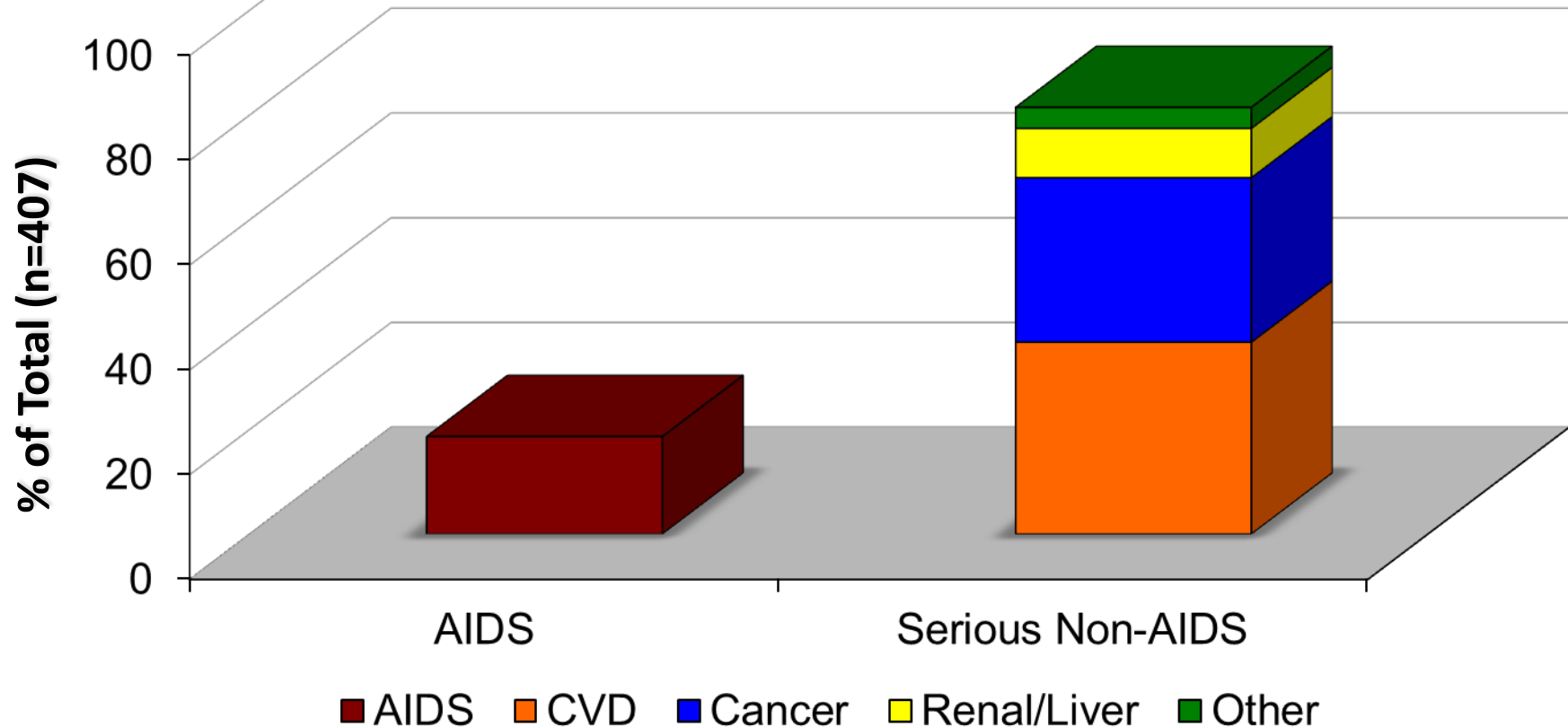


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Events in ART-Treated Patients are largely Non-AIDS

(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

Inflammatory and Coagulation Biomarkers and Mortality in Patients with HIV Infection

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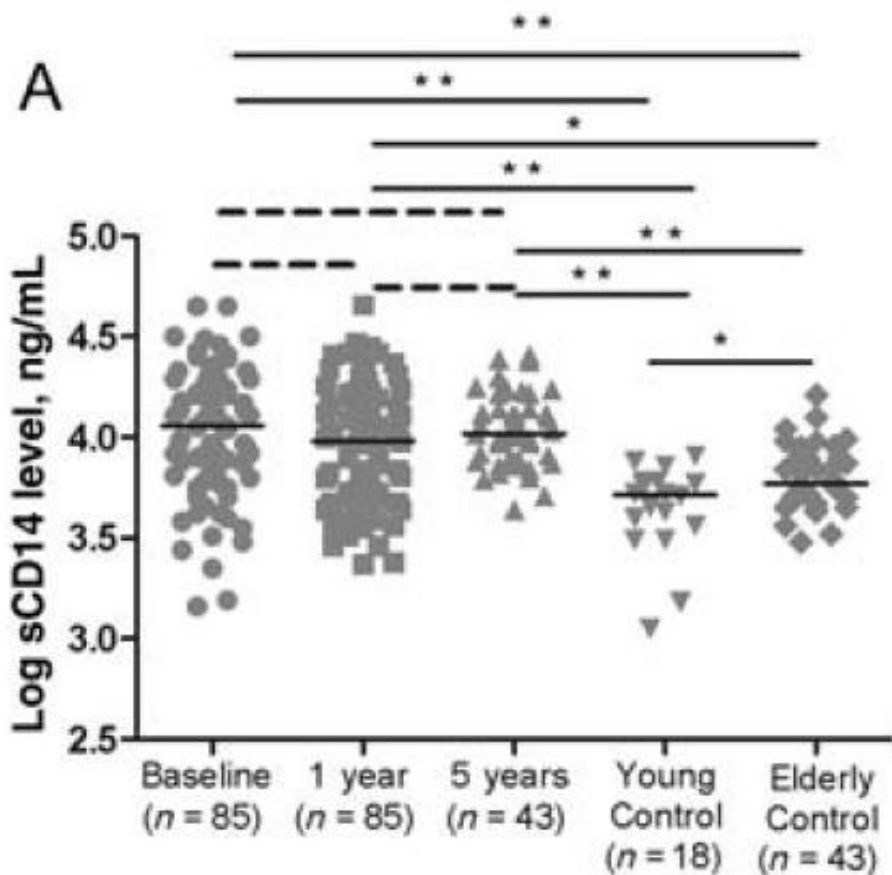
Biomarker and All-Cause Mortality Associations

Baseline Level	OR (4 th /1 st QRT) Univariate	P-value
D-dimer	12.4	<0.0001
IL-6	8.3	<0.0001
hsCRP	2.0	0.05



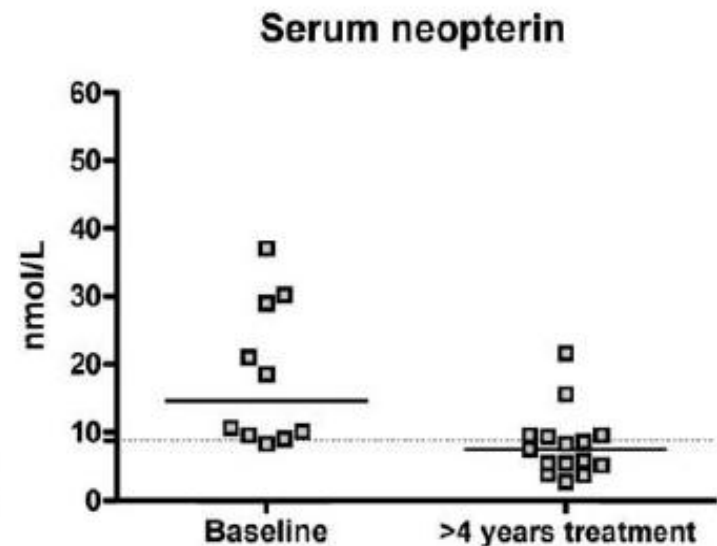
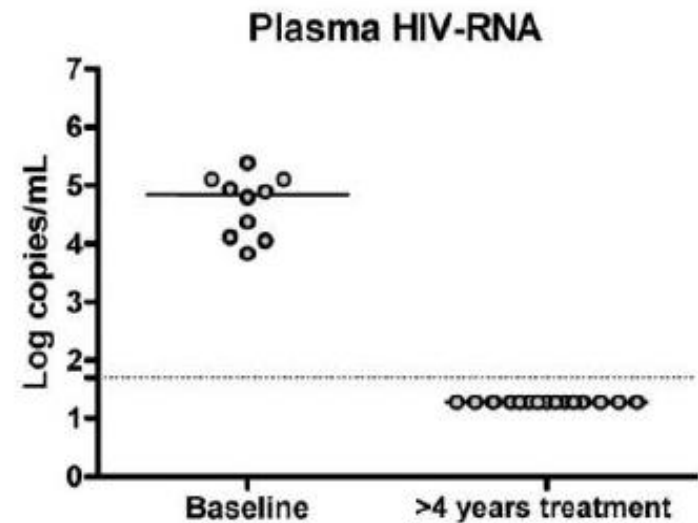
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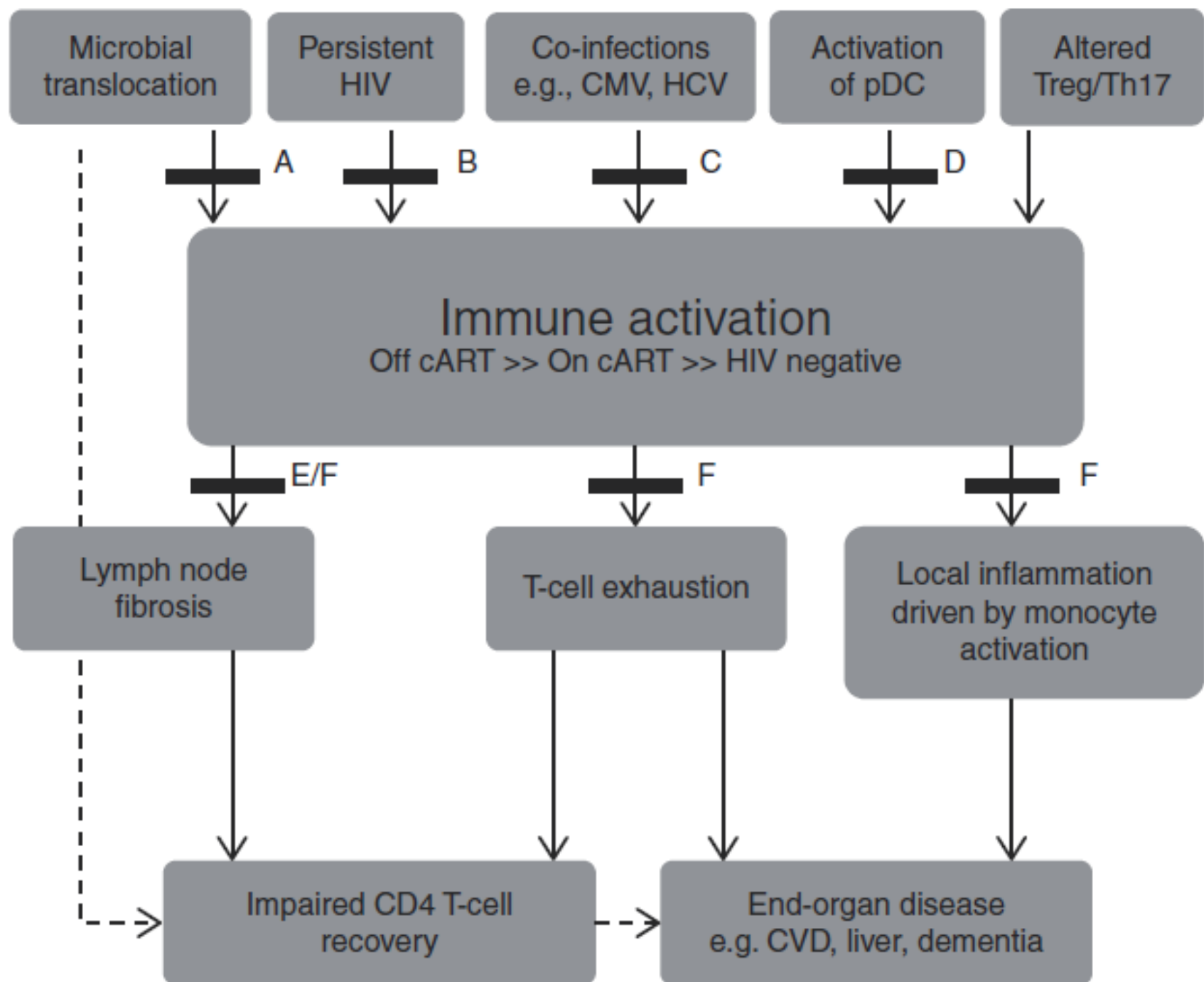
Long-Term Suppressive Combined Antiretroviral Treatment Does Not Normalize the Serum Level of Soluble CD14

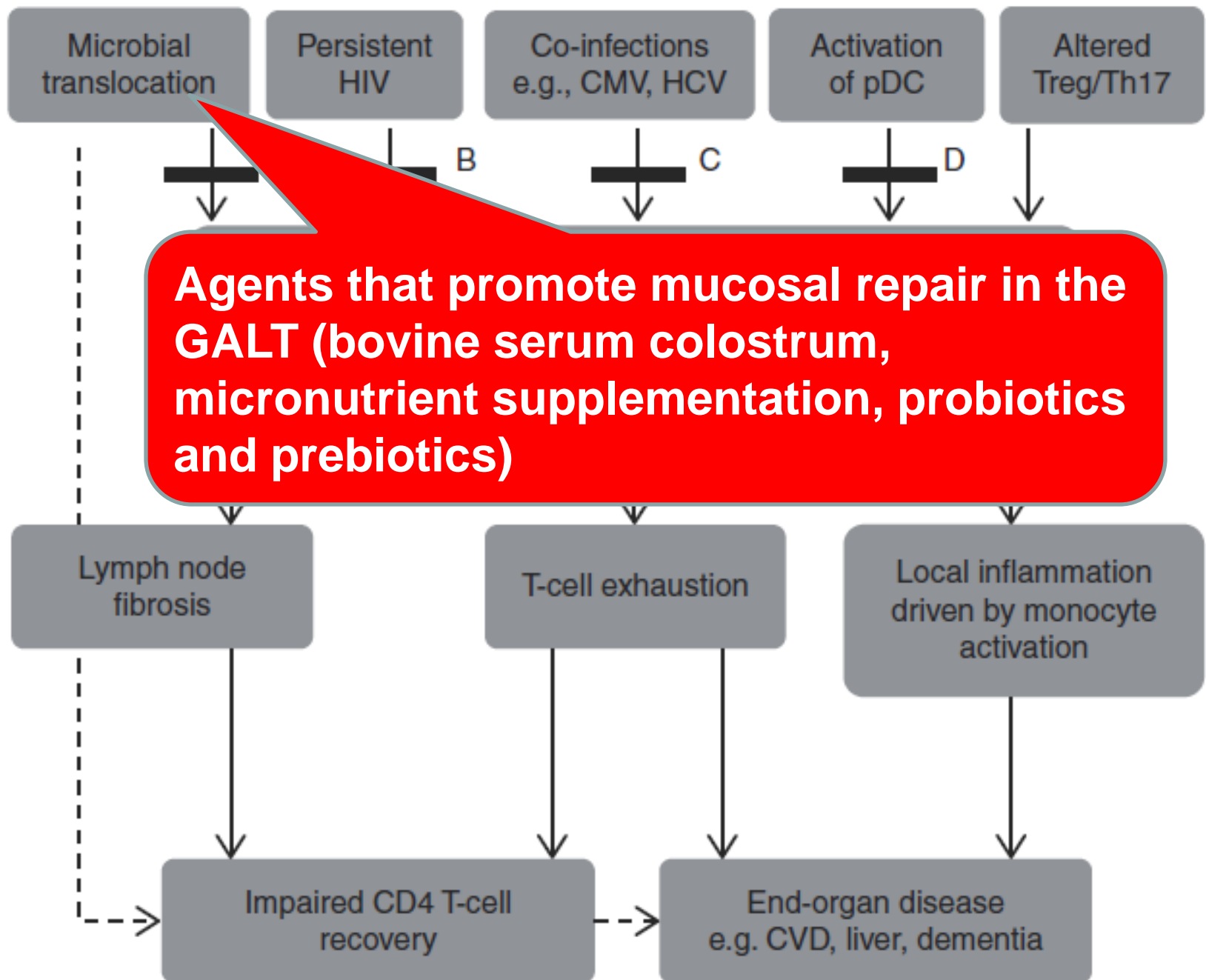


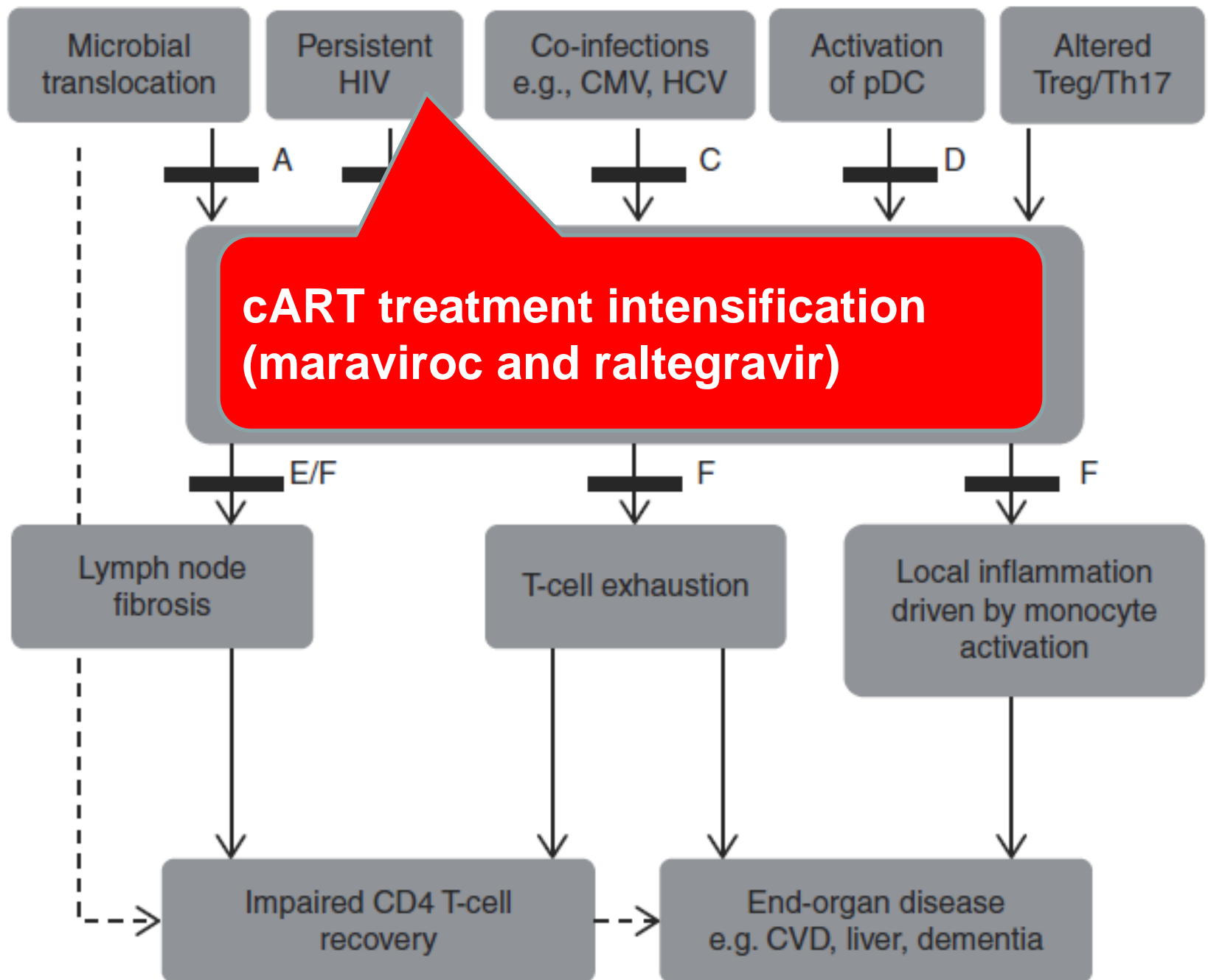
HIV-infected group displayed a significantly higher sCD14 level at baseline (ie, before cART initiation), 1 year and 5 years after cART initiation, compared with both control groups.

Neopterin levels in CSF decreased but were above normal value







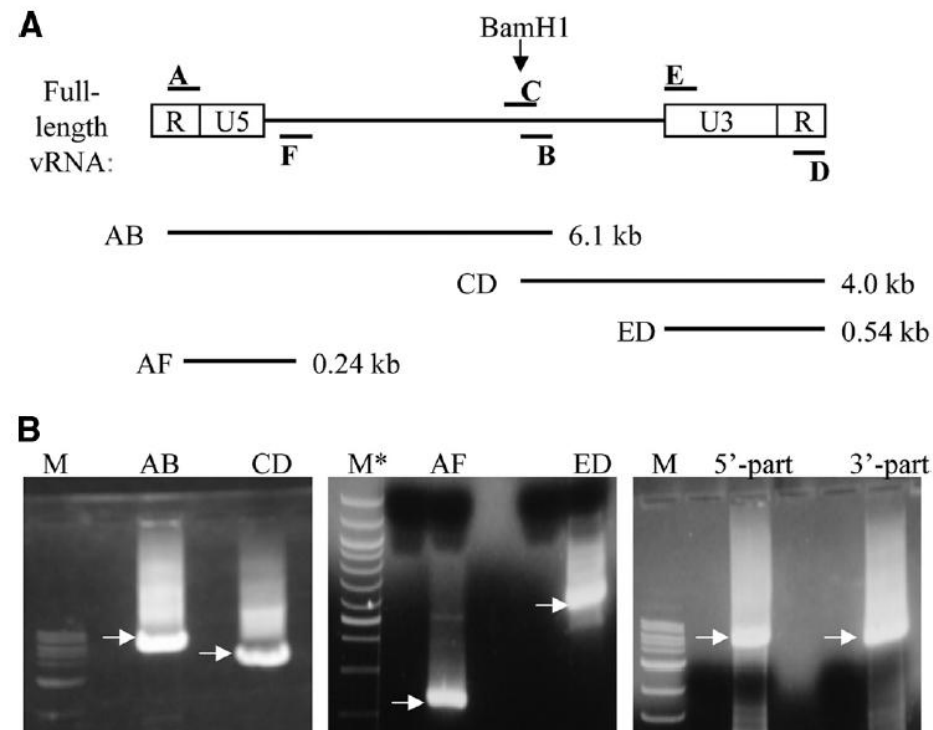


Recovery of Replication-Competent Residual HIV-1 from Plasma of a Patient Receiving Prolonged, Suppressive Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy[▽]

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Residual viruses can initiate fresh cycles of infection and spread in host cells

Cloning of the residual-virus genome

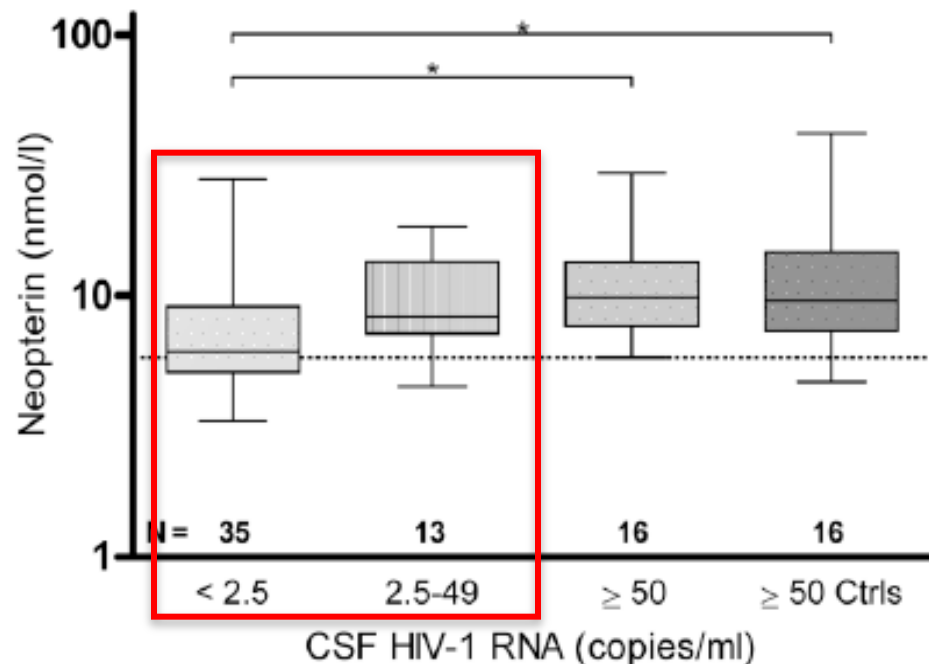




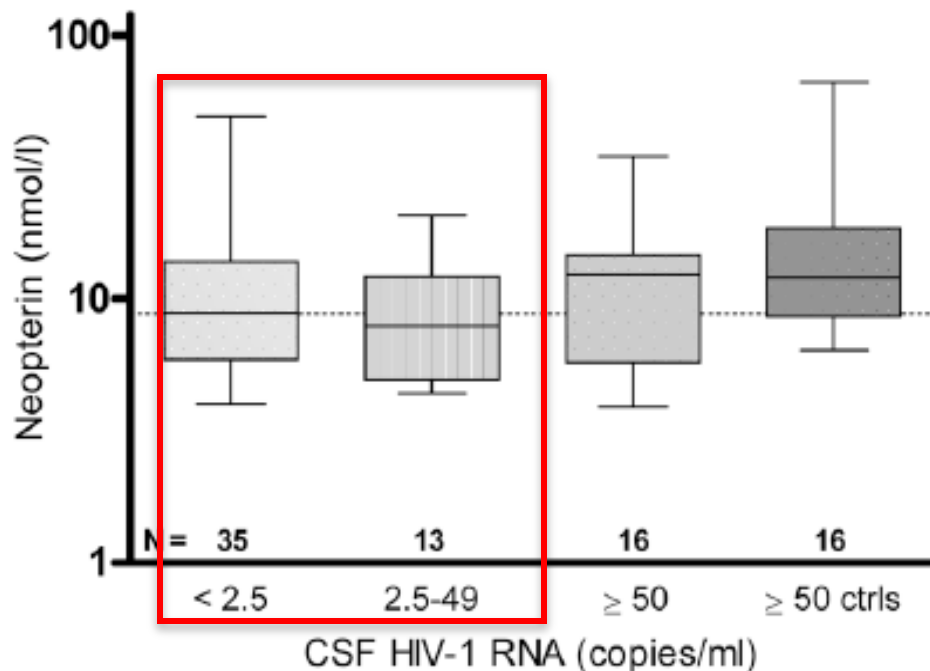
Persistent intrathecal immune activation in HIV-1-infected individuals on antiretroviral therapy

Yilmaz A 2008

A. CSF neopterin



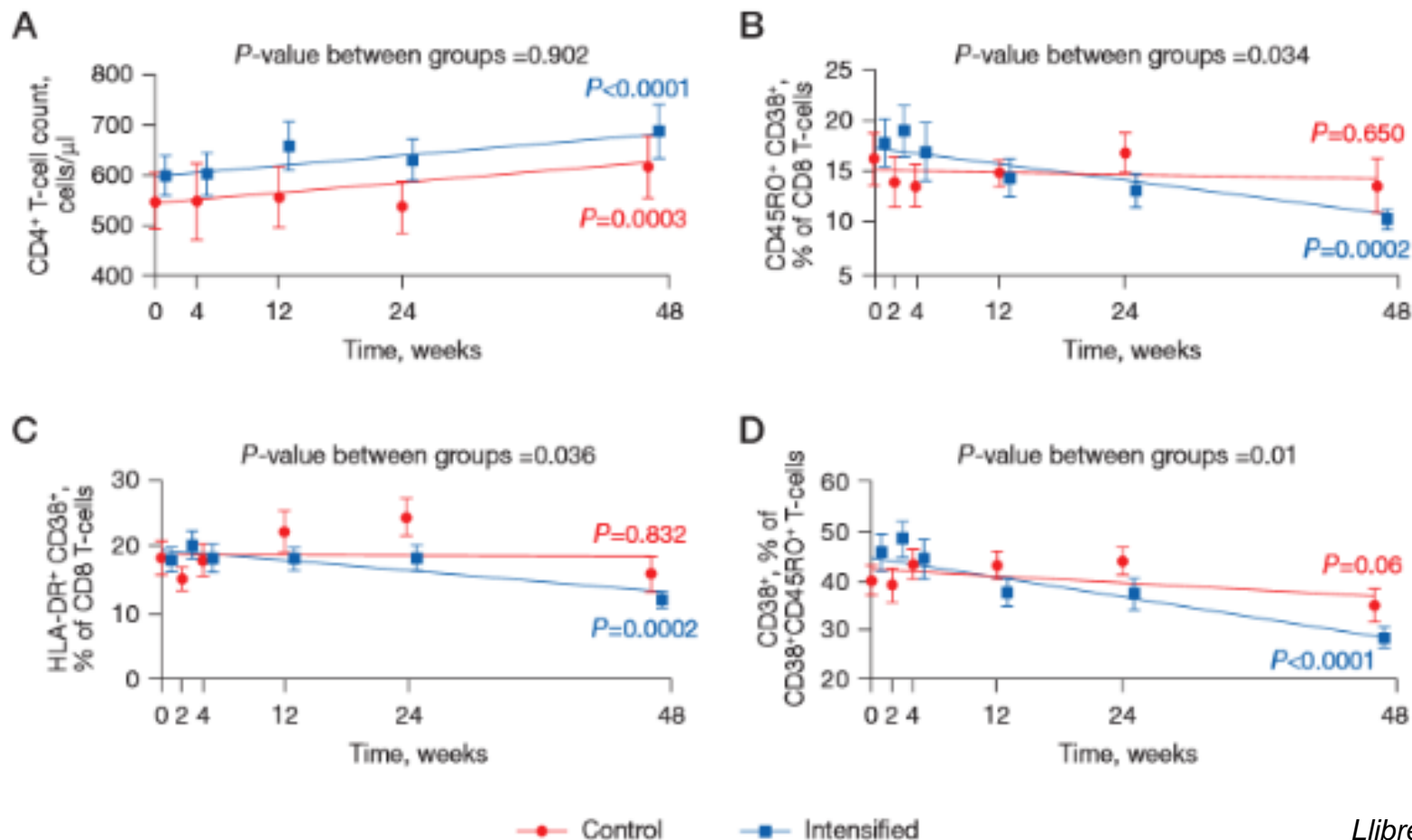
B. Serum neopterin



CSF and serum neopterin levels with different HIV-RNA levels during HAART

Treatment intensification with raltegravir in subjects with sustained HIV-1 viraemia suppression: a randomized 48-week study

Raltegravir intensification significantly reduced activation of CD8⁺ T-cells at week 48 (HLA-DR⁺CD38⁺, $P=0.005$), especially in the memory compartment (CD38⁺ of CD8⁺CD45RO⁺, $P<0.001$).

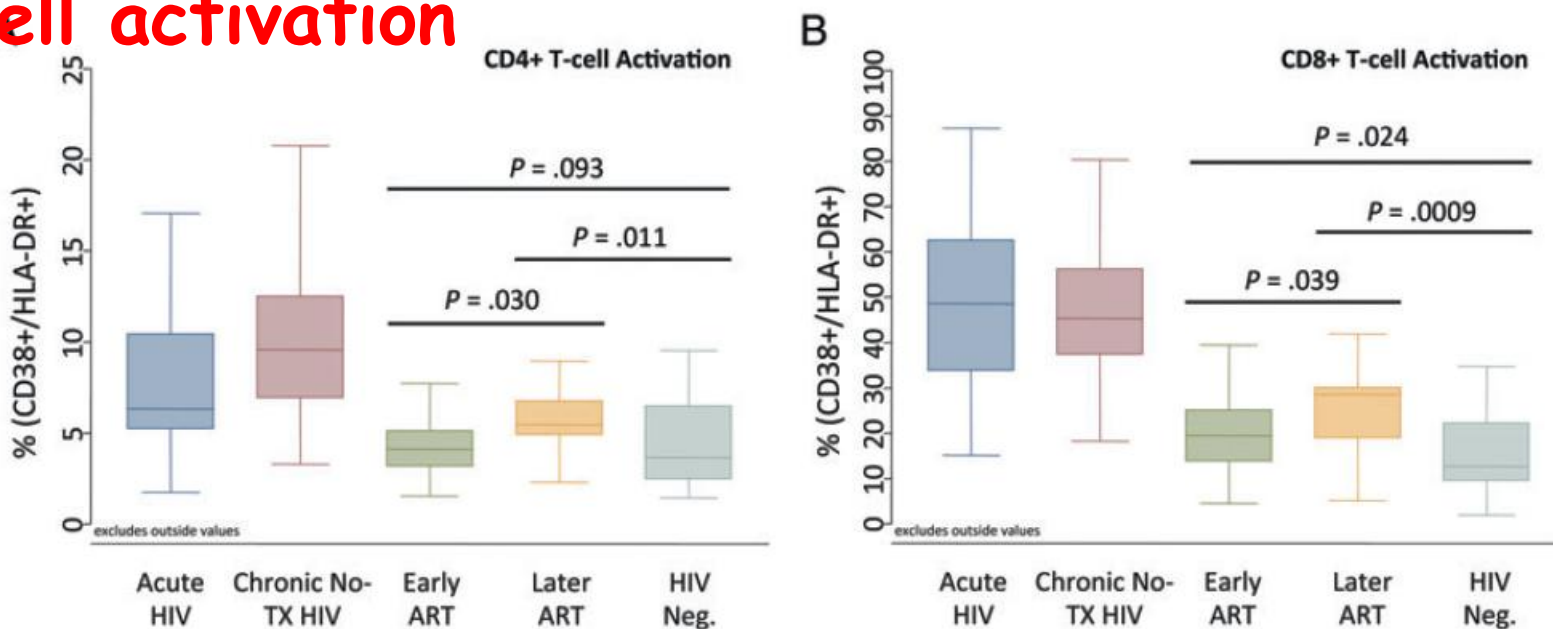


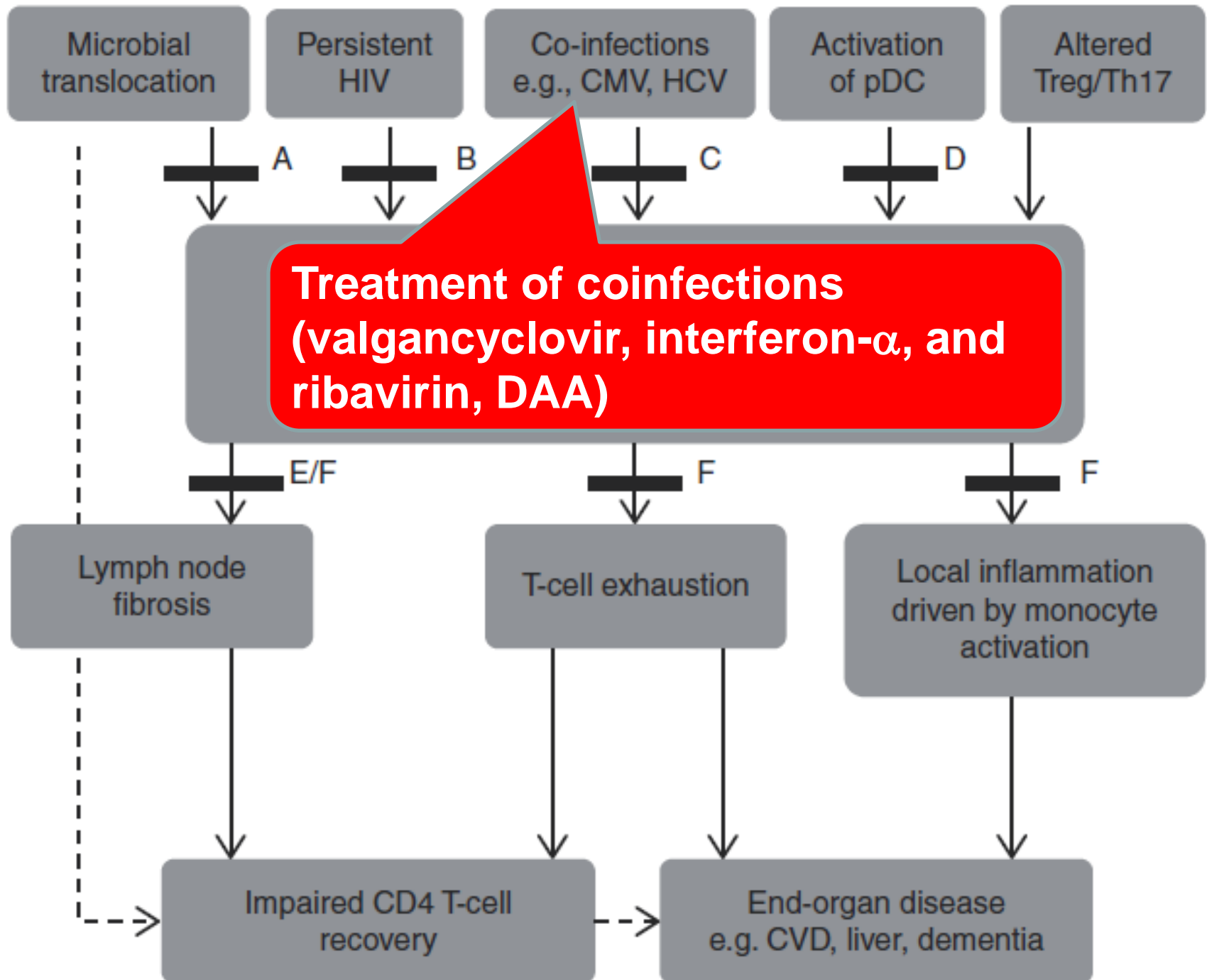
Antiretroviral Therapy Initiated Within 6 Months of HIV Infection Is Associated With Lower T-Cell Activation and Smaller HIV Reservoir Size

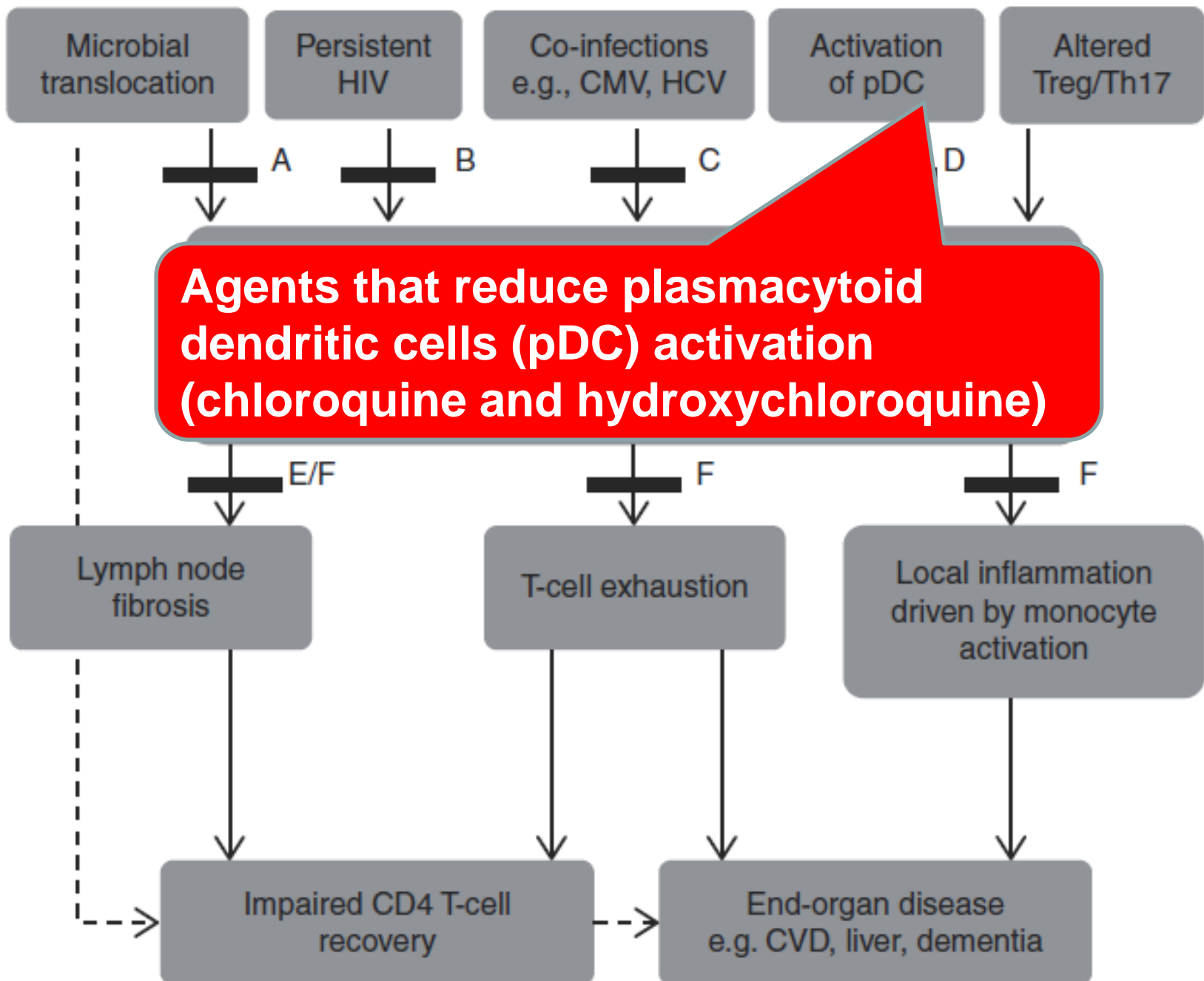
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ART initiation <6 months after infection is associated with lower levels of CD4+ and CD8+ T-cell activation







Microbial
translocation

Persistent
HIV

Co-infections
e.g., CMV, HCV

Activation
of pDC

Altered
Treg/Th17

Agents that reduce transforming growth factor- β 1 (TGF- β 1)- mediated lymph node fibrosis (pirfenidone); Immunomodulators (HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, minocycline, selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitors, leflunomide, and intravenous immunoglobulin)

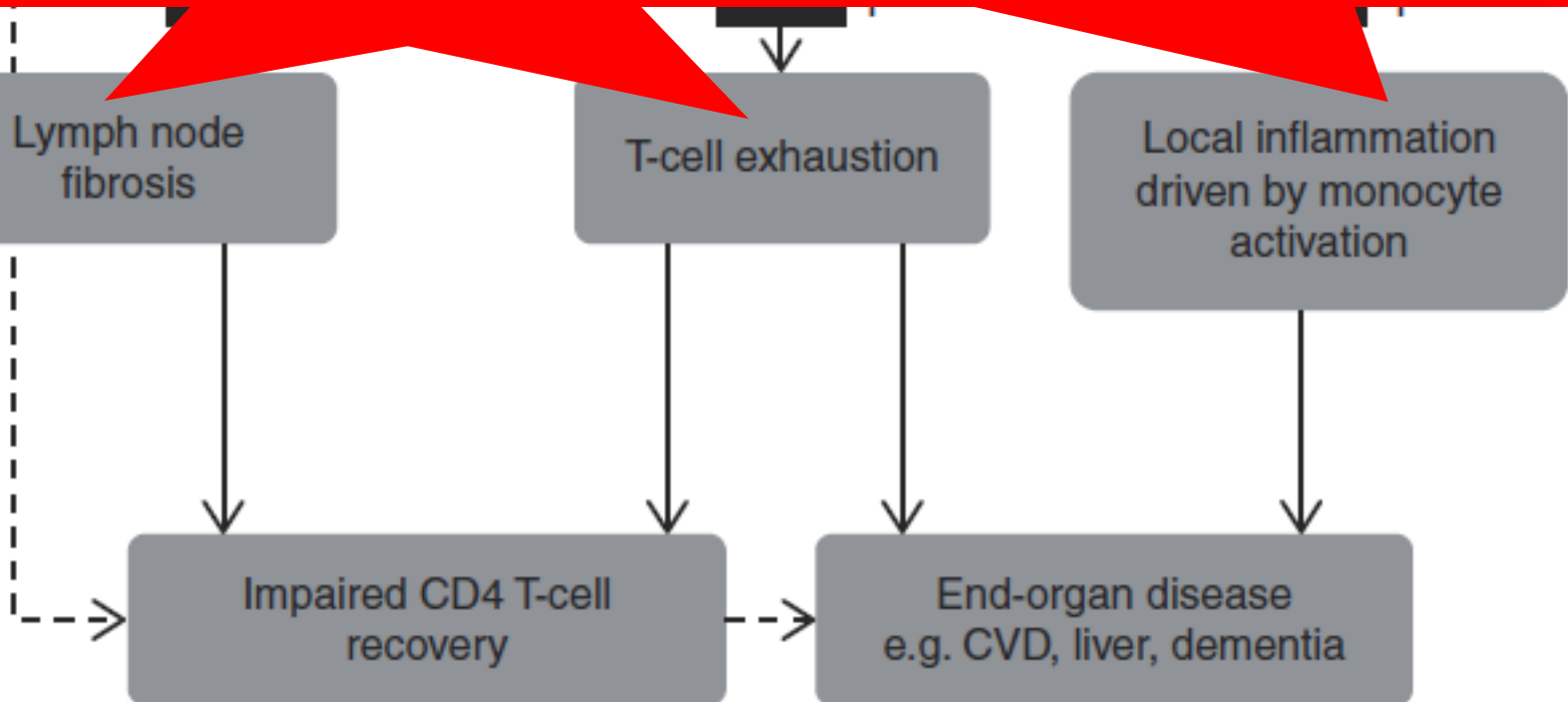
Lymph node
fibrosis

T-cell exhaustion

Local inflammation
driven by monocyte
activation

Impaired CD4 T-cell
recovery

End-organ disease
e.g. CVD, liver, dementia



Cenicriviroc vs EFV (both with TDF/FTC) Phase 2 study

Design: Phase 2b, Randomized, Double-Blind, Double-Dummy, Dose-Finding Study

Subjects (N=143)

- Tx-naïve adults
- CCR5-tropic only HIV (genotype and phenotype)
- HIV RNA ≥ 1000 copies/mL
- CD4+ cell count ≥ 200 c/mm³
- No primary NRTI/NNRTI resistance
- Stratified by baseline viral load (< or $\geq 100,000$ copies/mL)

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Primary
analysis
Week 24

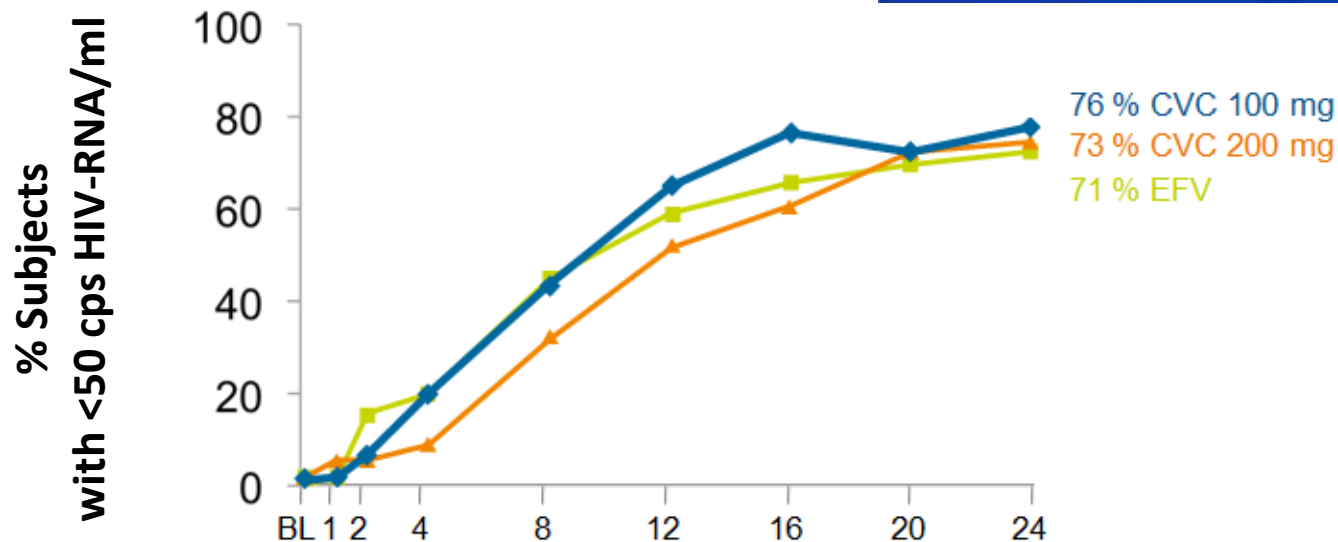
Final
analysis
Week 48

**CVC 100 mg + FTC/TDF
+ EFV placebo**

**CVC 200 mg + FTC/TDF
+ EFV placebo**

**EFV 600 mg + FTC/TDF
+ CVC placebo**

Primary endpoint: Subjects (%) with HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL at Week 24 in the ITT population (FDA Snapshot algorithm)



CVC 100 mg (n = 59)

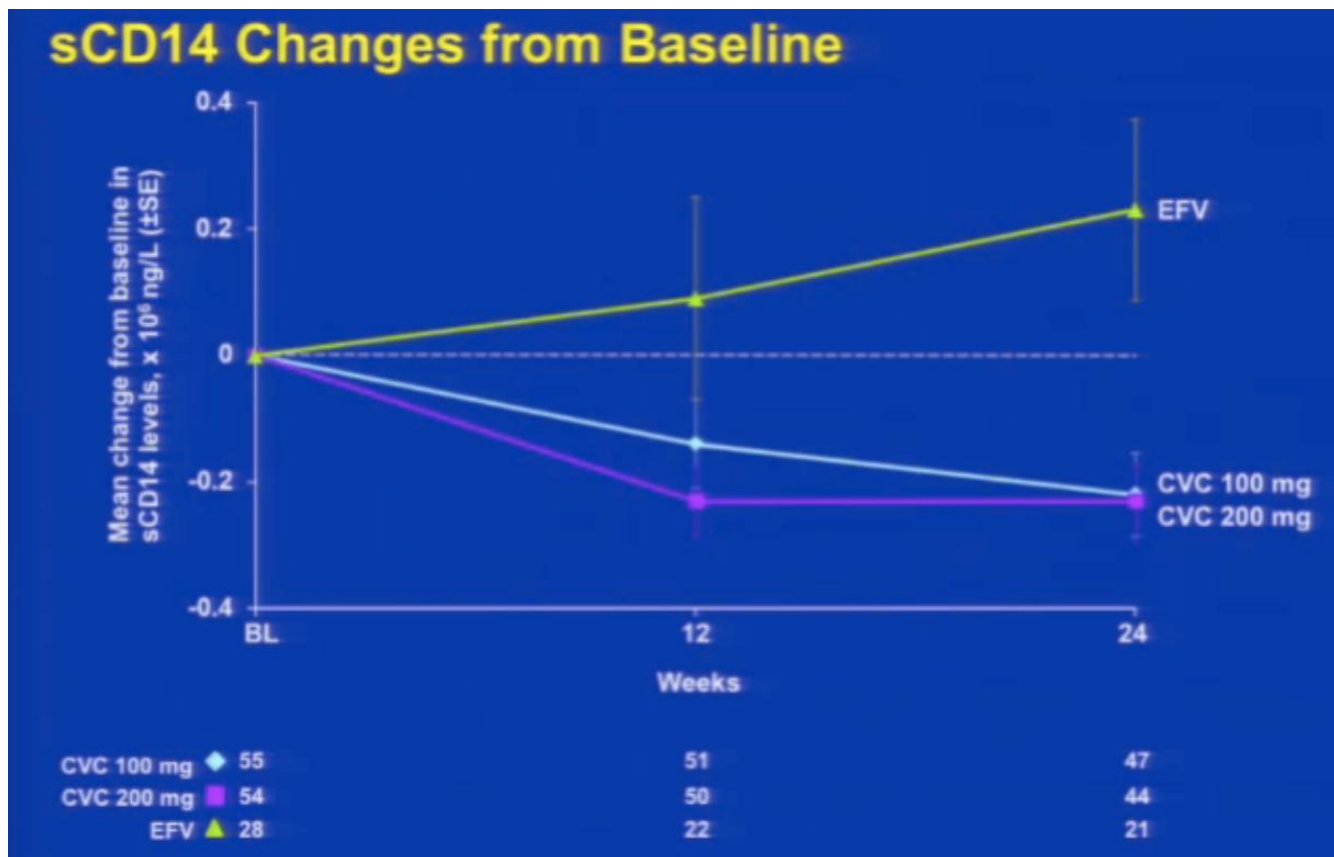
CVC 200 mg (n = 56)

EFV (n = 28)

0	3	11	25	37	44	42	45
2	2	4	17	28	33	40	41
0	4	5	12	16	18	19	20

Cenicriviroc anti CCR5/CCR2

In the CVC groups lower level of soluble CD14 (marker of monocyte activation).



The activation of CCR2 on monocytes correlates with nephropathy, liver fibrosis, metabolic syndrome, cardiovascular disease

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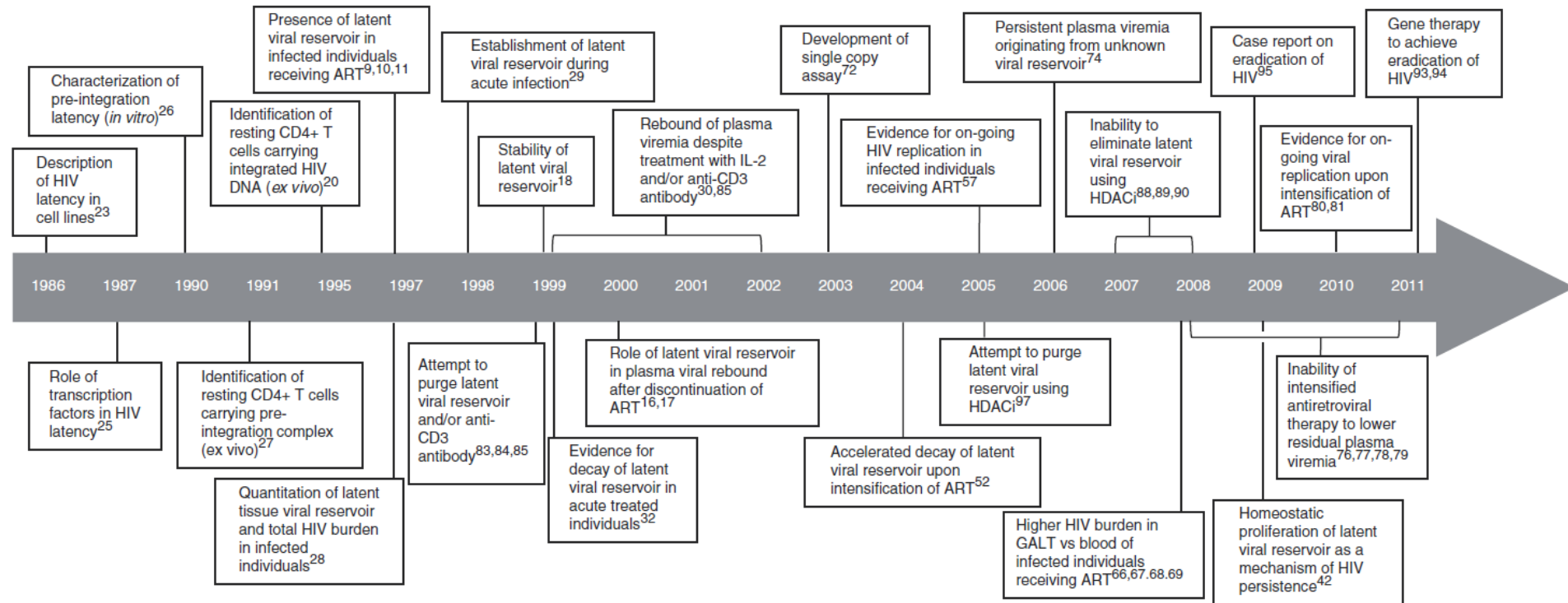


Diagnostica immunologica

Tabella 2 - Marcatori plasmatici di infiammazione/attivazione immune testati in studi caso-controllo e di coorte, relativo outcome clinico e referenze.

MARCATORE IMMUNOLOGICO	OUTCOME CLINICO	RACCOMANDAZIONE (FORZA/EVIDENZA)
Attivazione T-linfocitaria (CD4/CD45/CD8/CD38; CD8/CD38; CD8/CD38/HLA-DR) HIV-2: CD4/HLA-DR	Recupero CD4+, morte	[CII]
Neopterin, b2-microglobulina, PCR, IL-6, amiloide A e amiloide P, IgA, IL-10, sIL-2r, MCP-1, M-CSF, MMP-1, selectina-E, sICAM-1, TNF-a, TNF-b, TNF-R75	Mortalità per ogni causa	[CII]
Neopterin, b2-microglobulina, PCR, IL-6, amiloide A e amiloide P, IgA, IL-10, sIL-2r, MCP-1, M-CSF, MMP-2, GSH, APO-1/FAS, TNF-a, TNF-b, TNF-R75, TNF-R55	AIDS	[CII]
Neopterin, PCR, IL-6, sCD27, sCD40L, TNF-RI, TNF-RII, IFN-a, sCD14, LPS	AIDS o morte	[CII]
Mieloperossidasi, sCD14	Eventi cardiovascolari	[CII]

Highlights of research on basic and clinical aspects of HIV reservoirs conducted over the past two decades.



HIV-RNA HIV-DNA replication-competent virus



Diagnostica virologica

Recenti studi hanno evidenziato una **correlazione tra la quantità di HIV-DNA provirale e la viremia residua** in pazienti trattati con cART e in successo terapeutico [63]. I livelli al baseline di HIV-DNA sono anche associati al raggiungimento di livelli non rilevabili sia di HIV-RNA (viremia plasmatica) che di HIV-DNA in pazienti naïve che iniziavano un cART [64]. Infine, esiste una **correlazione livelli di HIV-DNA e rischio di fallimento virologico** in pazienti che hanno semplificato la terapia [65]. Mancano consistenti dati da studi longitudinali che permettano di considerare l'HIV-DNA un marcatore surrogato nella pratica clinica.

Tabella 13 – Determinazione quantitativa dell'HIV-DNA provirale e suo utilizzo nella pratica clinica.

IMPIEGO	RACCOMANDAZIONE (FORZA/EVIDENZA)
Il test per l'HIV-DNA provirale dovrebbe essere effettuato in laboratori specializzati.	[BII]
L'uso di tale marcatore può essere preso in considerazione in situazioni terapeutiche particolari (monitoraggio dell'efficacia del trattamento, valutazione del paziente candidato alla semplificazioni della terapia, ecc.).	[CIII]



Plasma HIV-1 RNA Detection Below 50 Copies/mL and Risk of Virologic Rebound in Patients Receiving Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy

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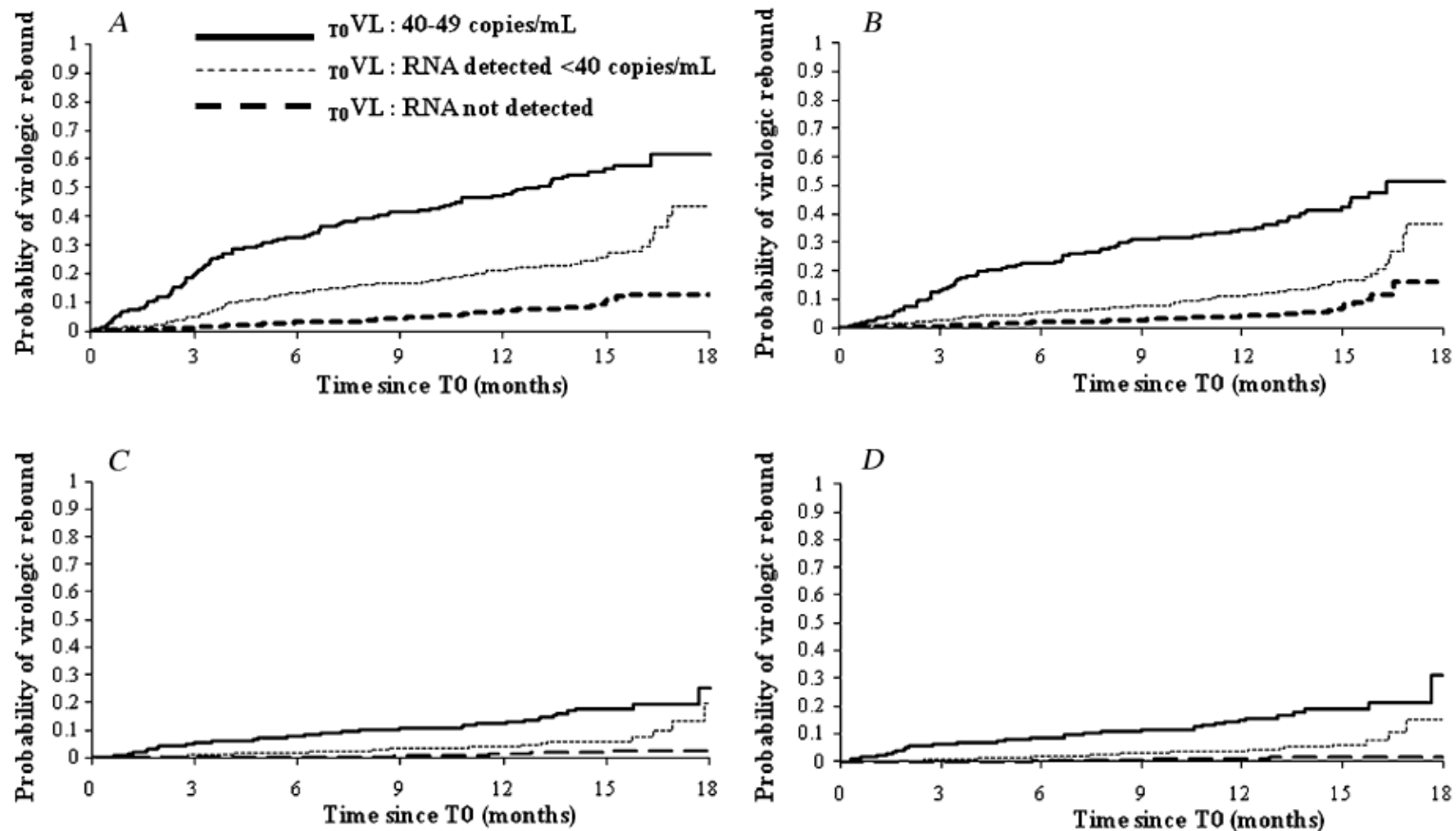
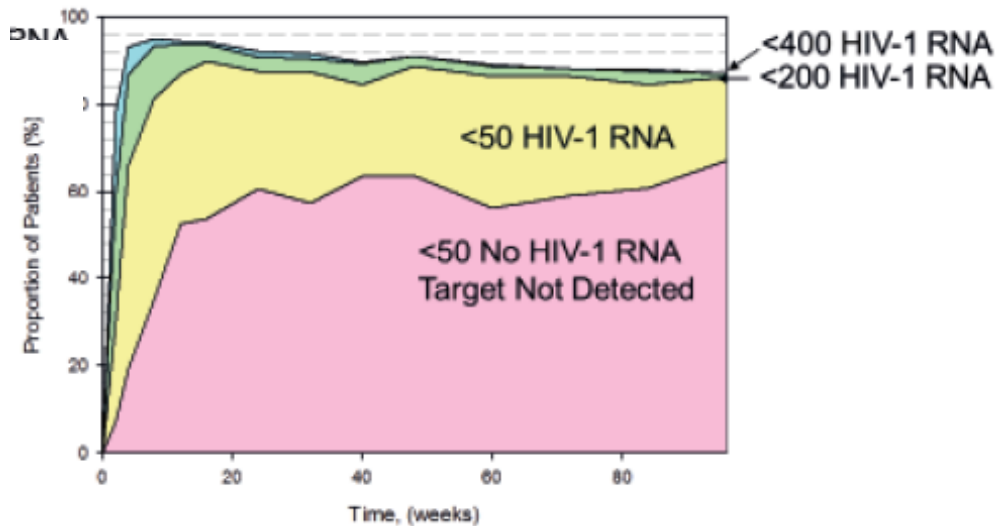


Figure 1. Time to virologic rebound according to the T0 viral load (VL) and 4 definitions (A–D) of rebound. A, Single viral load >50 copies/mL. B, confirmed or last available viral load >50 copies/mL. C, confirmed or last available viral load >400 copies/mL. D, confirmed or last available viral load >400 copies/mL or single viral load >400 copies/mL followed by a treatment change. Whole population (A–C); Royal Free Hospital population (D). $P < .0001$ for all analyses (log rank test). Abbreviation: T0, time zero (arbitrarily selected time point during highly active antiretroviral therapy).

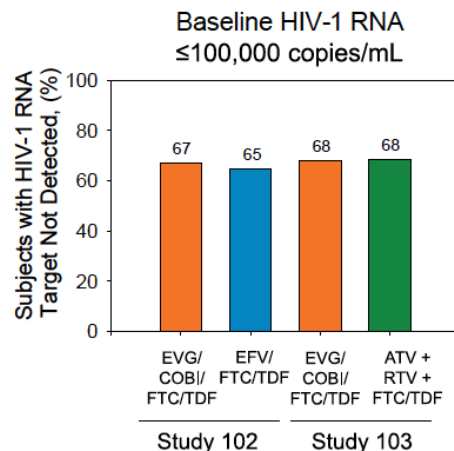
Exploratory “Target Not Detected” analysis for efficacy of first-line ART (studies 102-103)



By Week 48 through Week 144, the proportion of subjects with HIV-1 RNA Target Not Detected was similar between treatment groups.

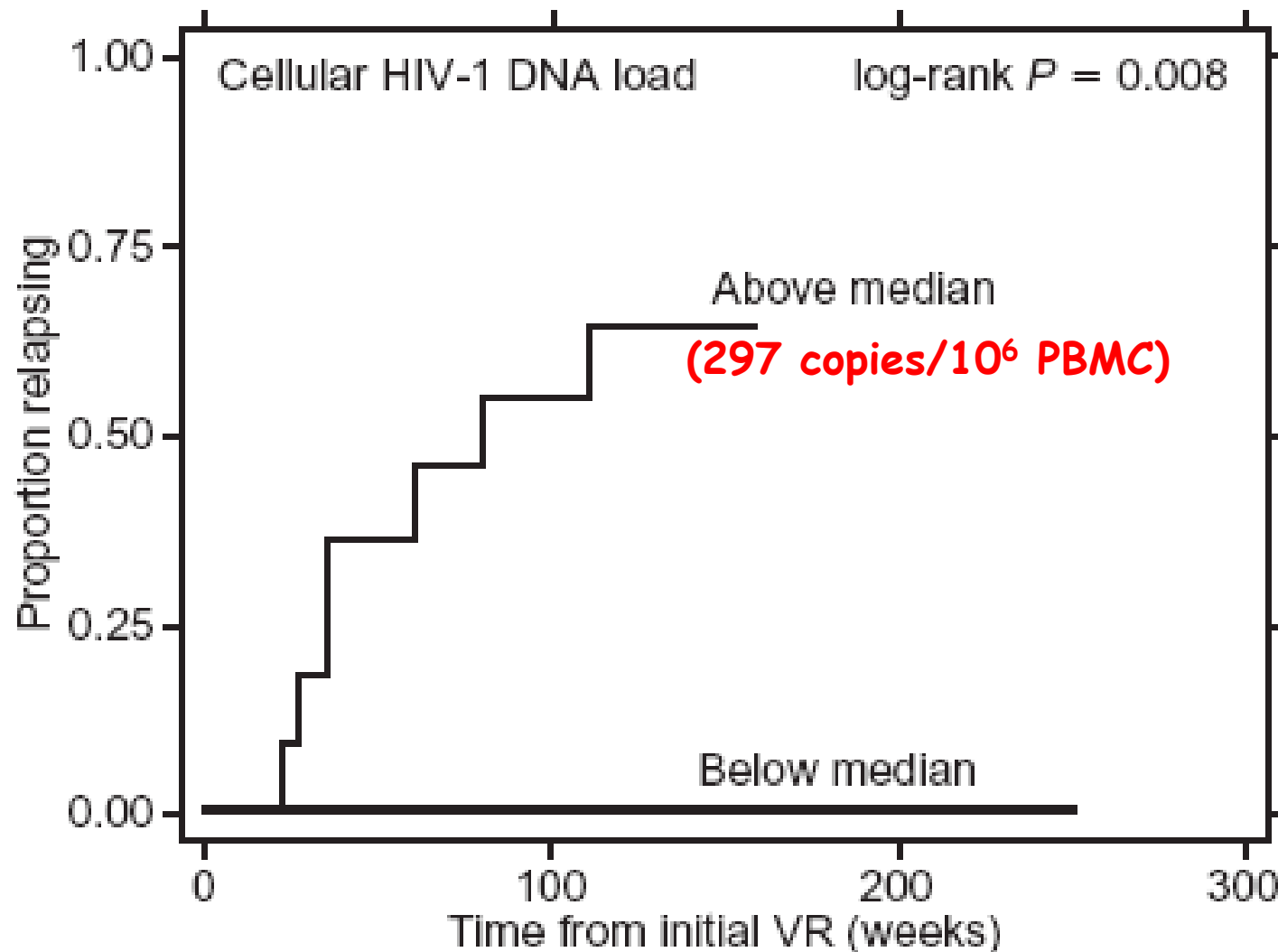
Achieving HIV-1 Target Not Detected was associated with lower HIV-1 RNA at baseline and drug adherence $\geq 95\%$.

Figure 3. Frequency of HIV-1 RNA Target Not Detected at Week 144 by Baseline Viral Load (By Treatment Group)





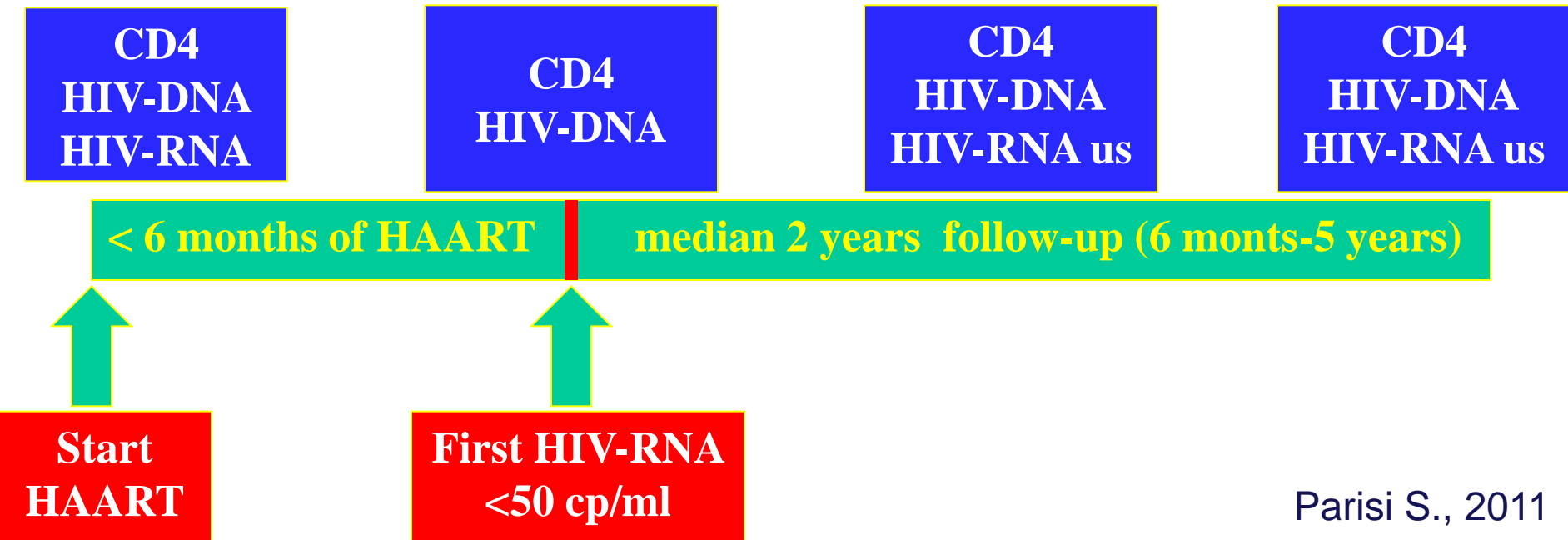
Cellular HIV-1 DNA load predicts HIV-RNA rebound and the outcome of highly active antiretroviral therapy



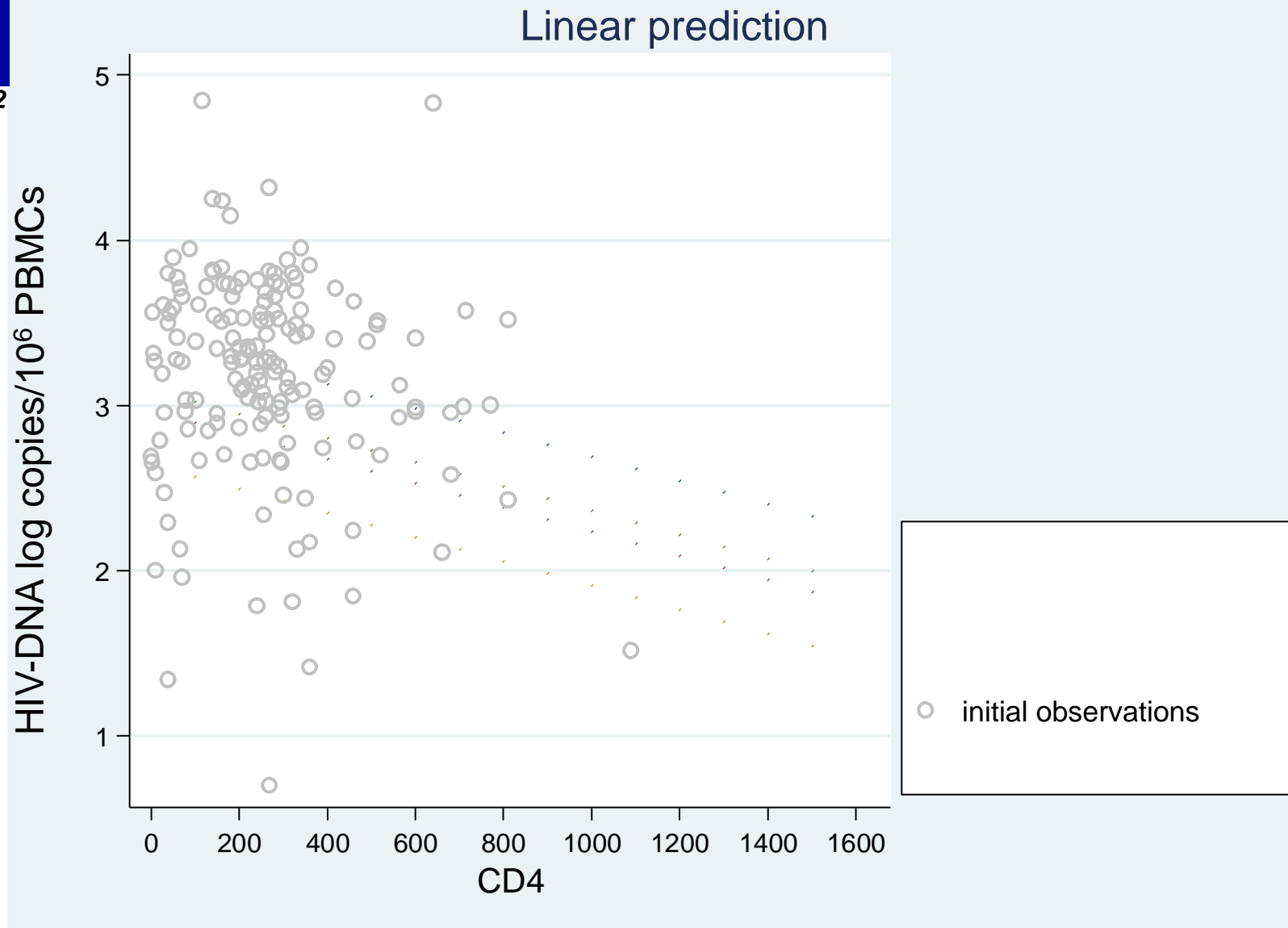
Baseline Cellular HIV DNA Load Predicts HIV DNA Decline and Residual HIV Plasma Levels during Effective Antiretroviral Therapy

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180 ART-naïve patients achieved virological suppression <50 copies/ml with their first line therapy within 6 mo, and maintained always undetectable plasma viremia, with no more than one viral blip.



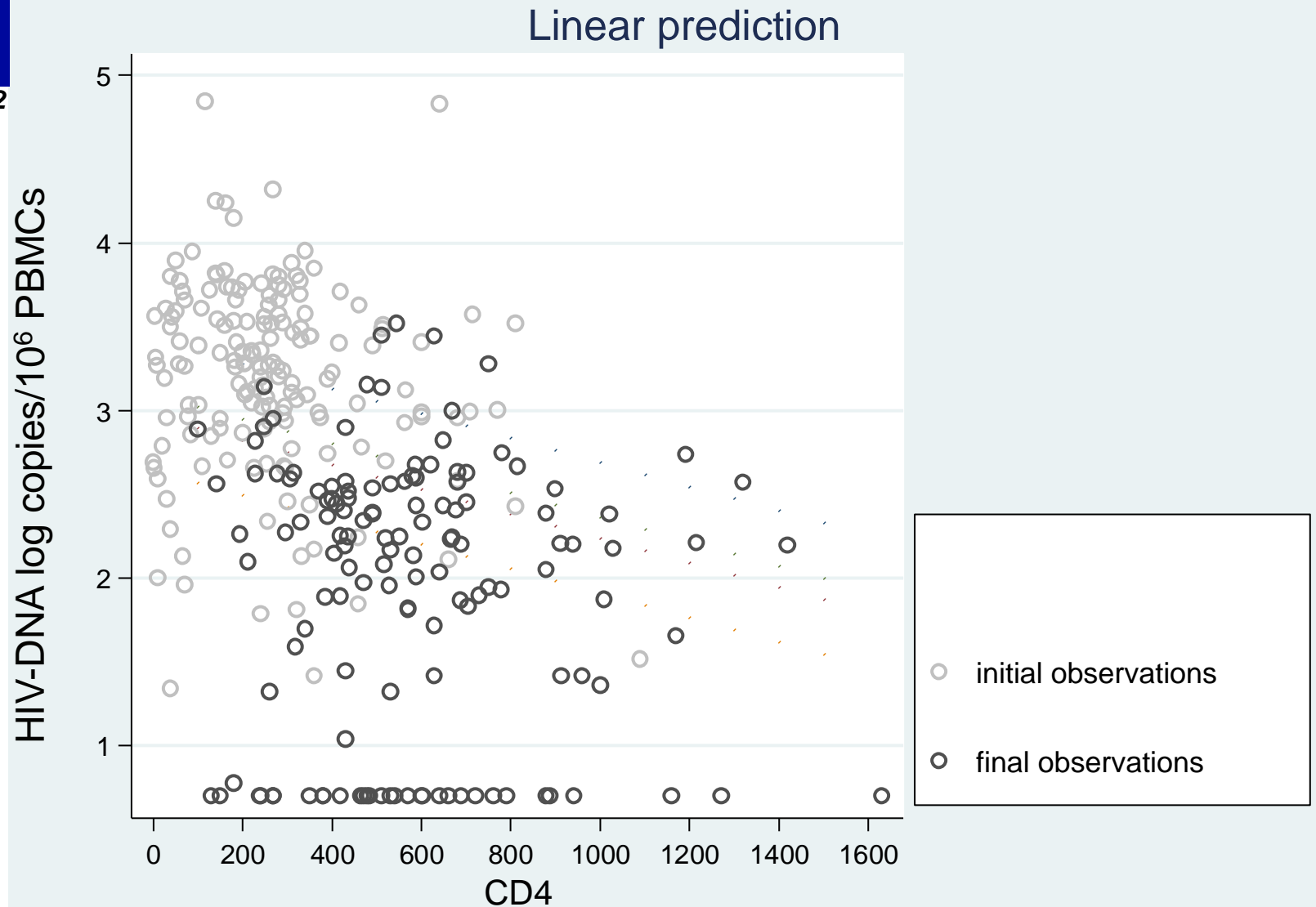
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Time 0 = after 6 months of ART;

Time 1= follow up

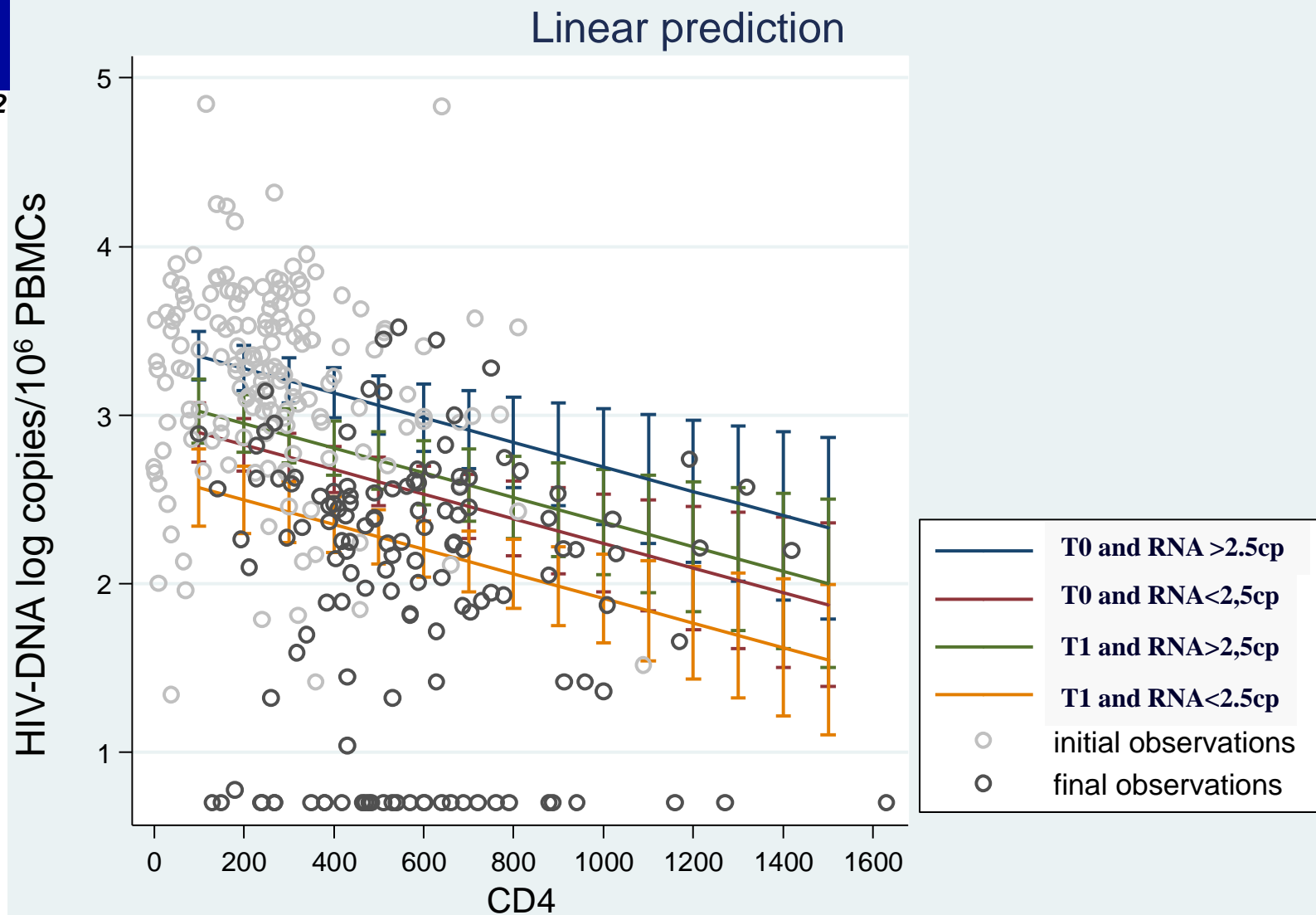
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In conclusion, early treatment facilitated the achievement of undetectable levels of plasma viremia and cellular HIV DNA and a better recovery of CD4 lymphocytes.

TABLE 1 Patient characteristics^a

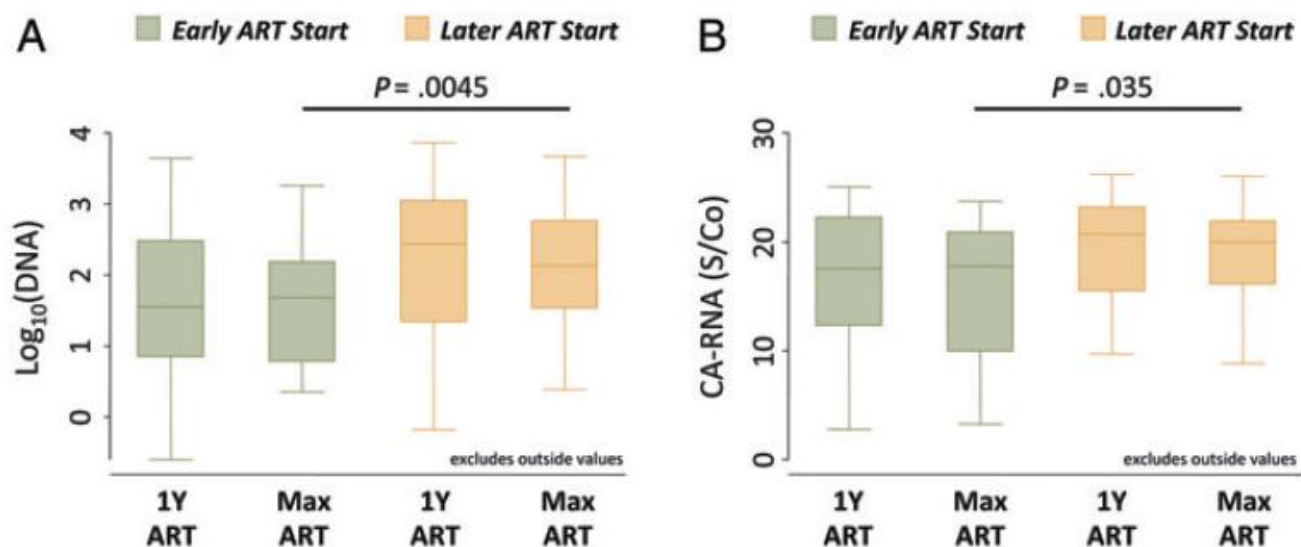
Parameter	Value for patient group			
	HIV RNA at <2.5 copies/ml	HIV RNA at 2.5–20 copies/ml	HIV RNA at 21–49 copies/ml	HIV RNA at 50–1,000 copies/ml
No. (%) of patients				
Total	73 (40.5)	49 (27.2)	25 (13.9)	31 (17.2)
Patients with primary infection	16 (22)	1 (2)	2 (8)	2 (6.4)
CD4 count (cells/mm ³)				
Baseline	296 (0–1,090)	240 (10–390)	181 (6–770)	230 (0–680)
Follow-up	571 (150–1,418)	490 (270–941)	436 (130–1,430)	520 (100–1,170)
% CD4 cells				
Baseline	16 (0–42)	14 (0–29)	11 (2–38)	17.5 (0–33)
Follow-up	30.7 (6–51)	28 (13–44)	22 (5–46)	30 (6–51)
Cellular HIV DNA level (log ₁₀ copies/10 ⁶ PBMCs)				
Baseline	3.09 (1.34–4.84)	3.28 (1.78–3.94)	3.32 (1.96–3.80)	3.51 (2.69–4.82)
Follow-up	1.41 (<0.69–2.89)	2.40 (<0.69–3.52)	1.77 (<0.69–3.15)	2.38 (<0.695–1.91)
No. (%) of subjects reaching DNA level of <5 copies/10 ⁶ PBMCs	27 (37)	7 (14.3)	3 (12)	2 (6.4)
No. (%) of subjects taking PIs	24 (33)	21 (42.8)	15 (60)	17 (54.8)
Length (yr) of follow-up	2 (0.5–5)	1 (0.5–4)	2 (0.5–4)	1 (0.5–5)

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

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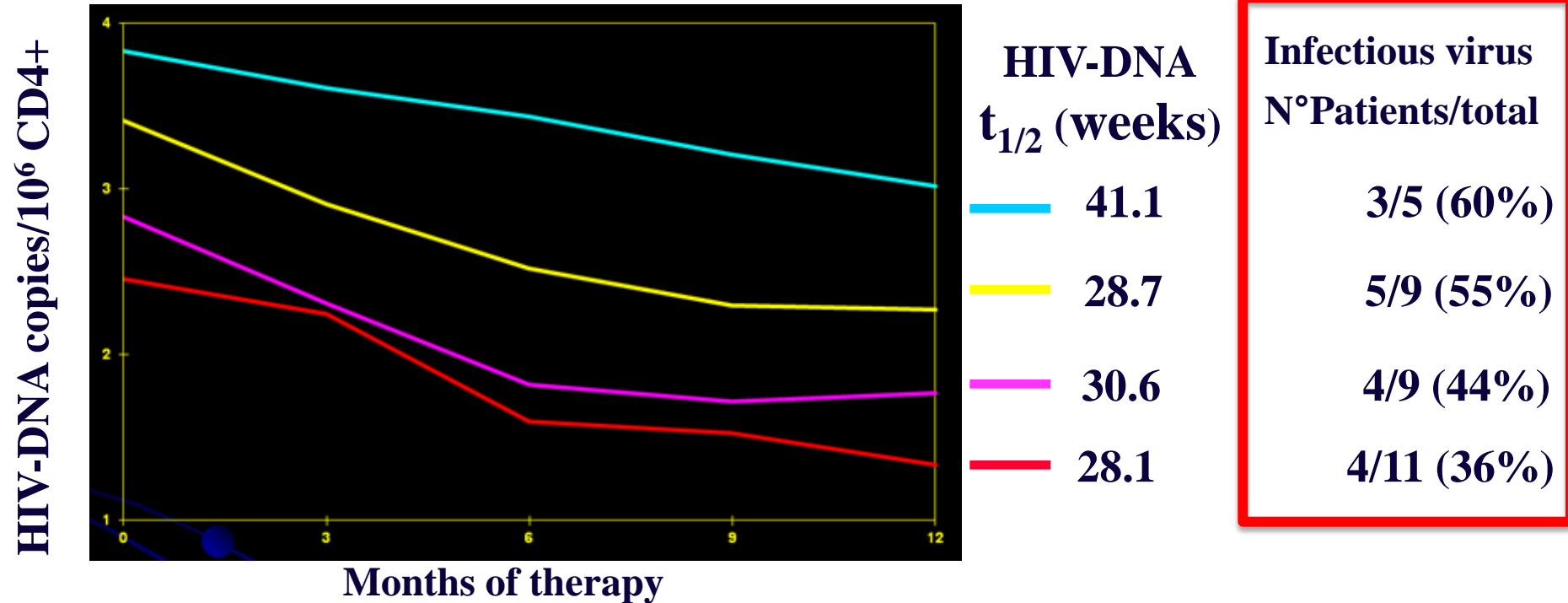
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ART initiation <6 months after infection is associated with lower levels HIV-DNA and cell-associated RNA levels





Cellular proviral HIV-DNA decline and viral isolation in naive subjects with <5000 copies/ml HIV-RNA and >500x10⁶/l CD4 cells treated with highly active antiretroviral therapy



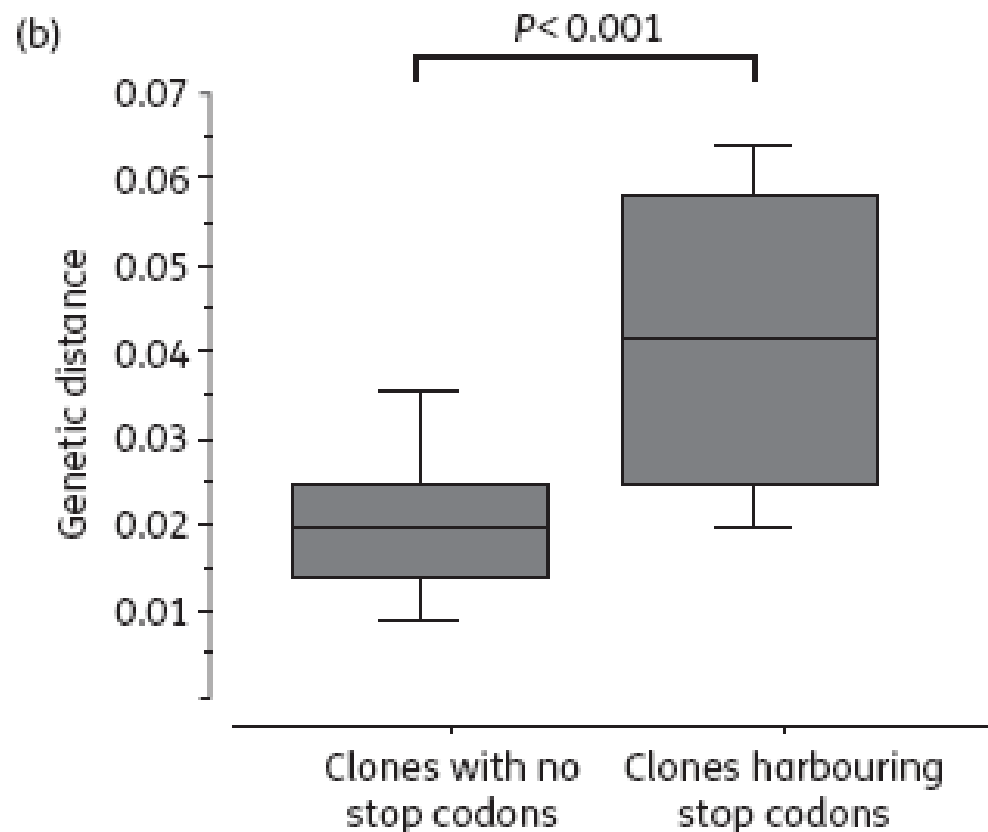
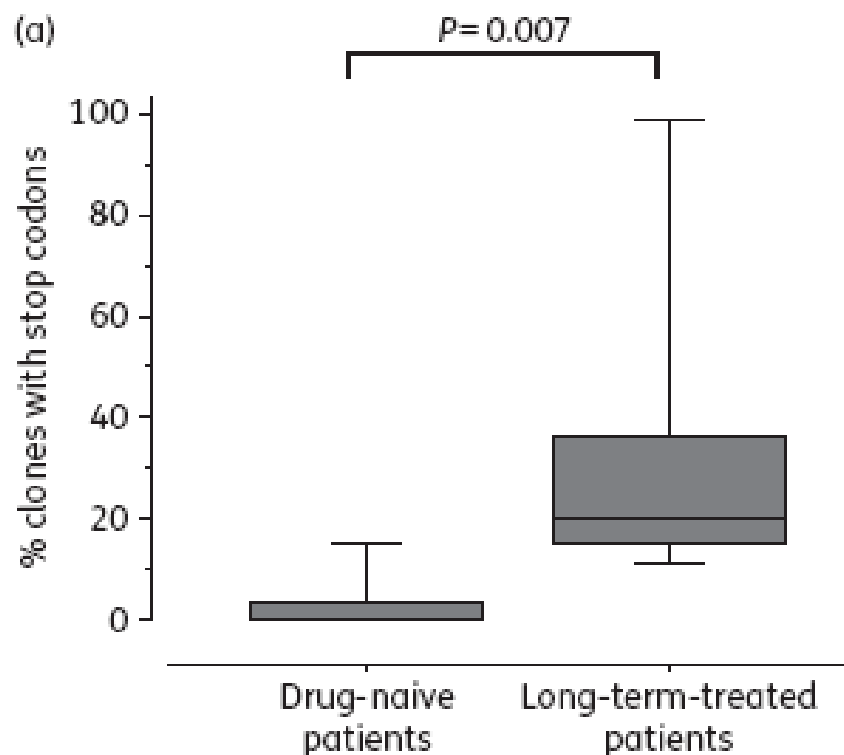
Months of therapy

Base line values	5 subjects HIV-RNA >5000	CD4 <300
	9 subjects HIV-RNA >5000	CD4 300-500
	9 subjects HIV-RNA >5000	CD4 >500
	11 subjects HIV-RNA <5000	CD4 >500

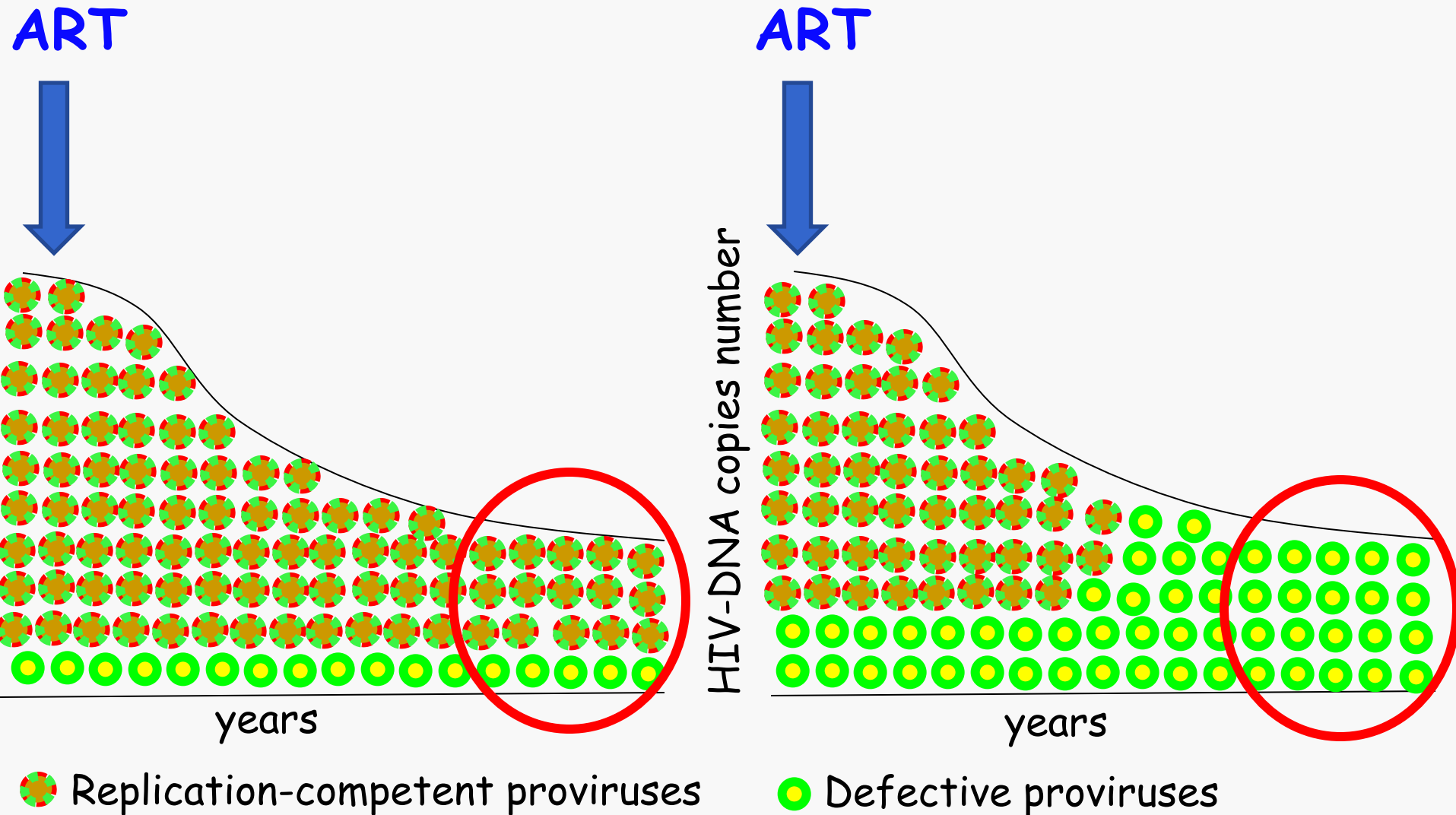
HIV-1 genome is often defective in PBMCs and rectal tissues after long-term HAART as a result of APOBEC3 editing and correlates with the size of reservoirs

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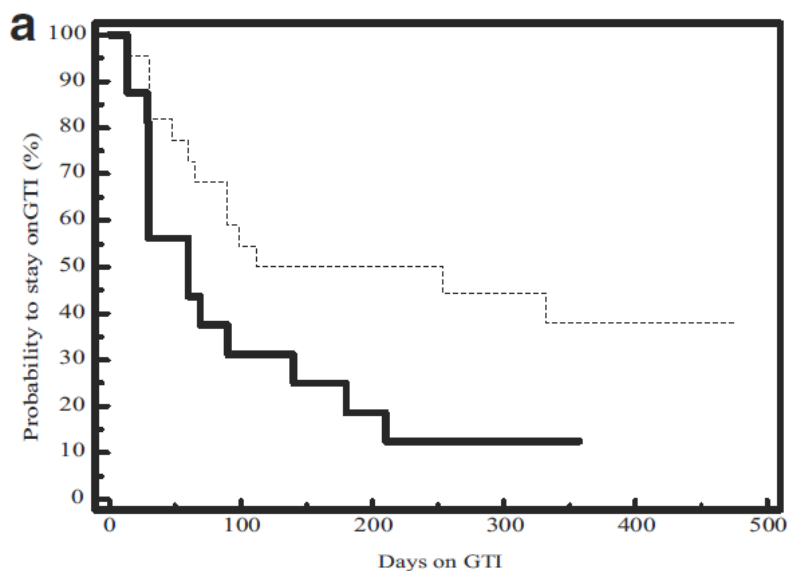


Patients with equal HIV-DNA copies number but different probability of plasma viremia rebound at cessation or simplification of ART



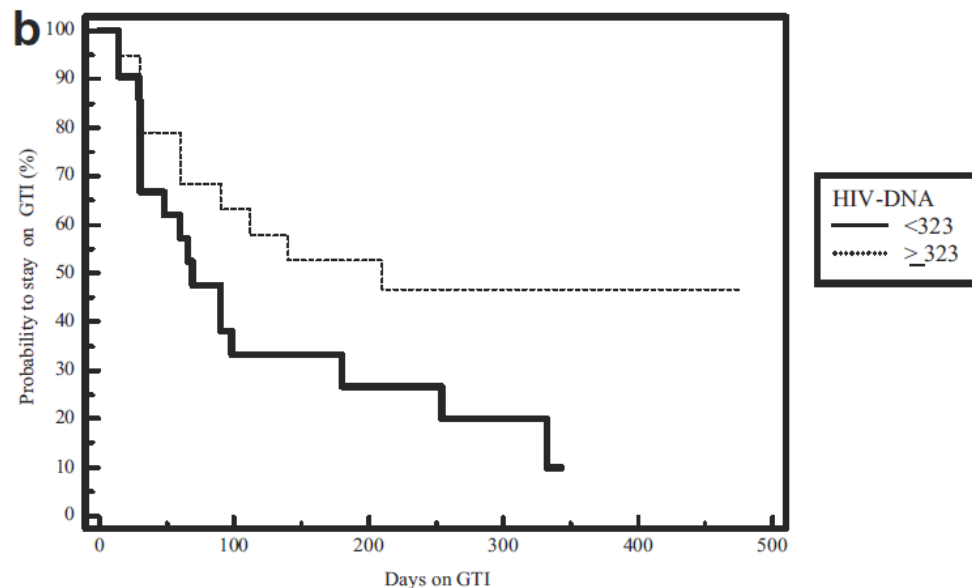
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15 Patients with more than 180 days of treatment interruption

Months of current therapy
p=0.01



Plasma HIV RNA

(copies/ml)

Start
HAART

1000000
100000
10000
1000
100
10
1
0.1
0.01
0.001

0

5

10

15

Time on ART (years)

Limit of detection (50 c/ml)

Residual viremia

HIV-DNA load

1000000
100000
10000
1000
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10
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0.1
0.01
0.001

HIV DNA (copies/10⁶ PBMCs)

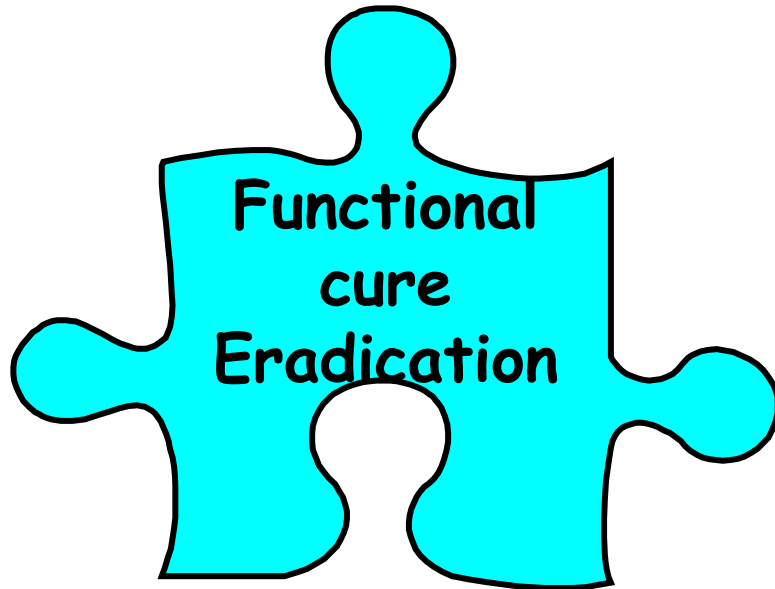


Replication-competent viruses

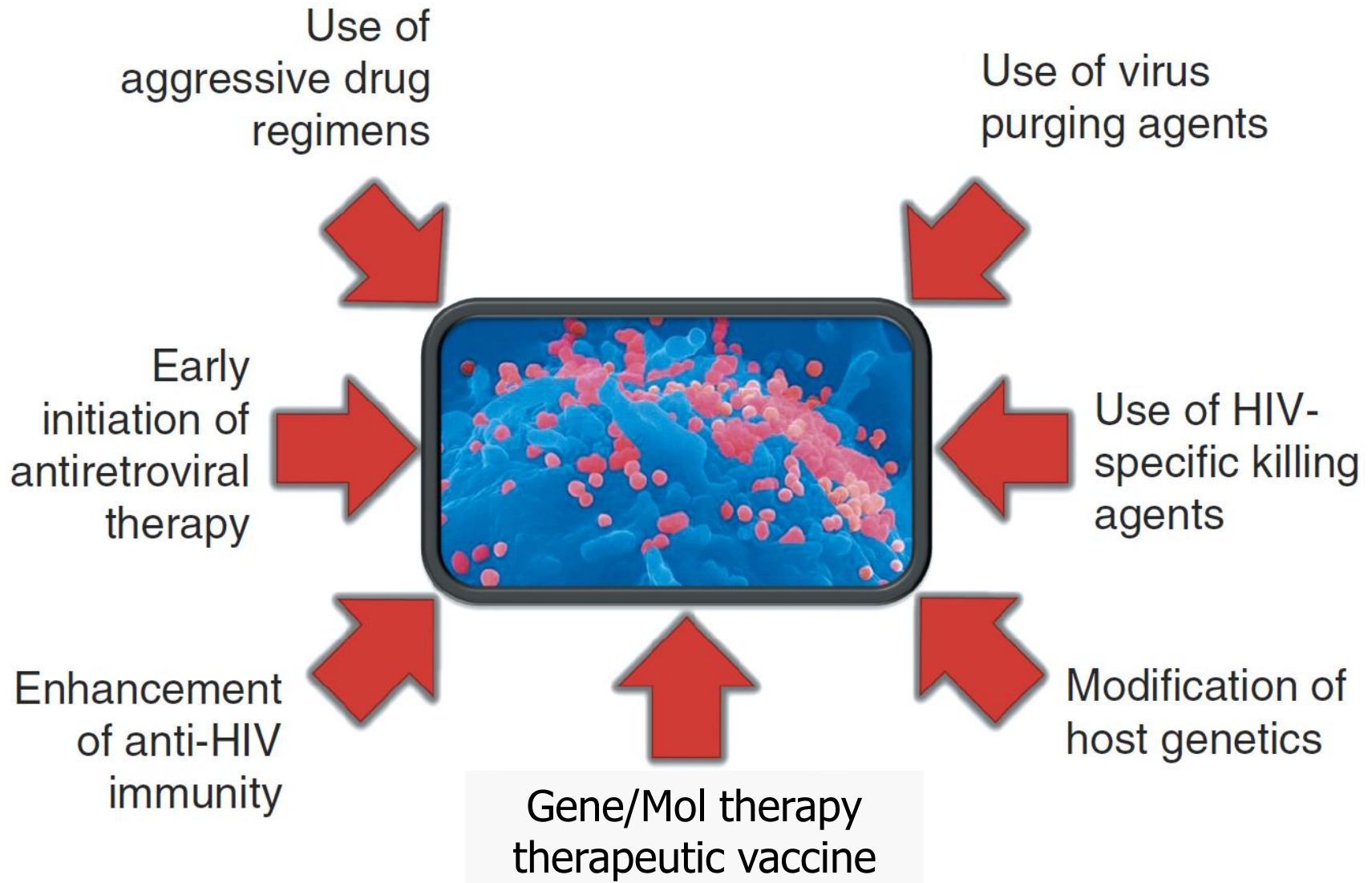


Defective viruses

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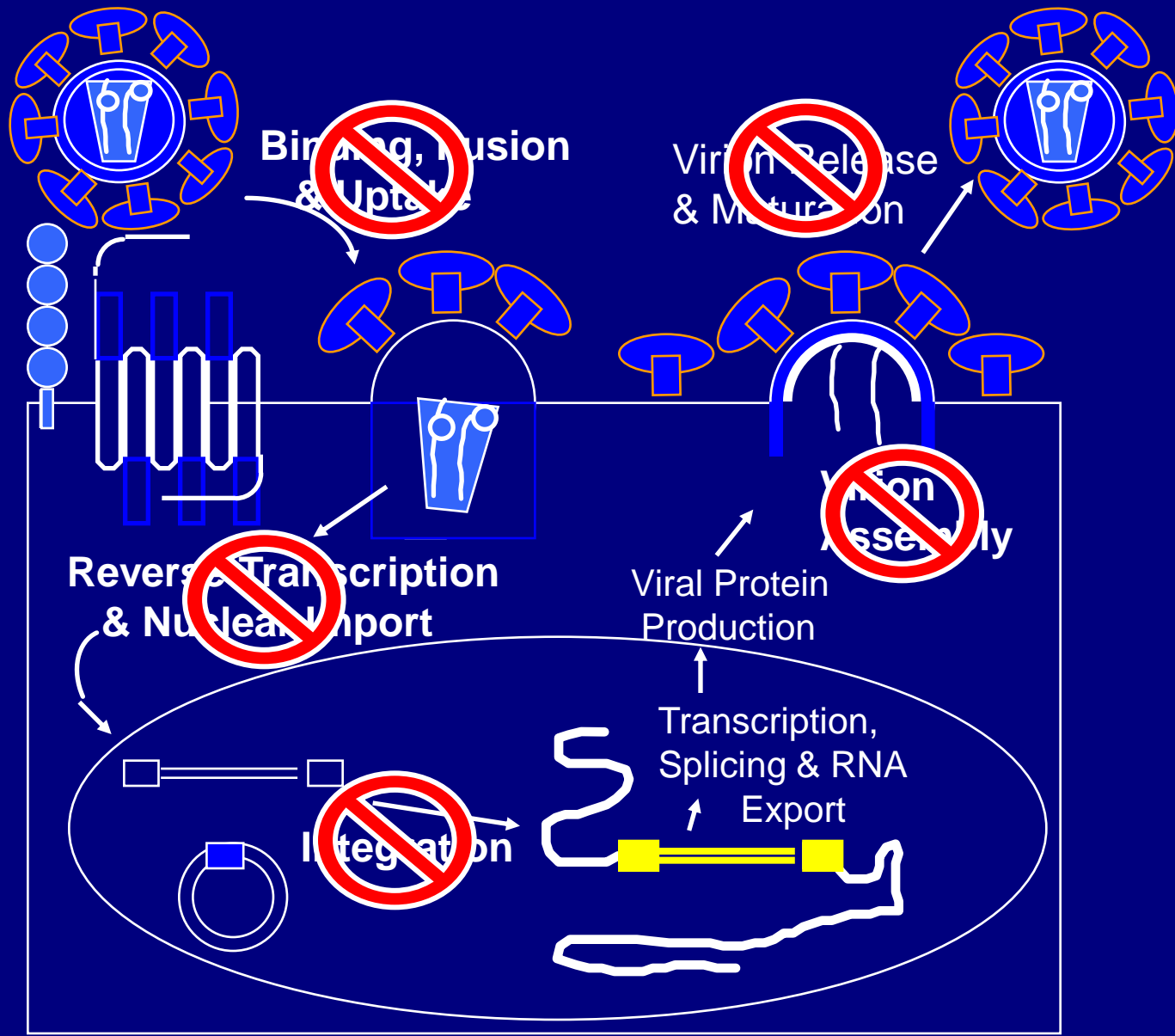


Potential strategies for eradicating HIV in infected individuals receiving ART



Many therapies for replicating HIV

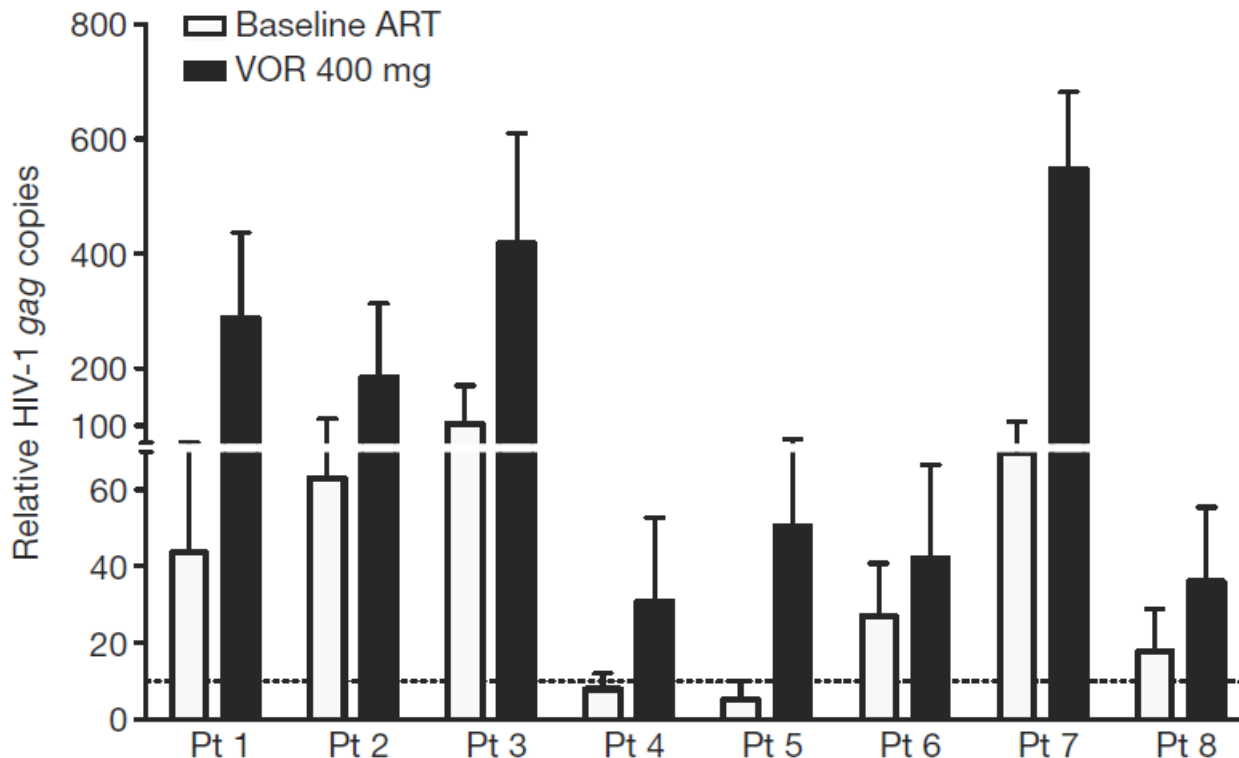
None for persistent HIV genomes





Administration of vorinostat disrupts HIV-1 latency in patients on antiretroviral therapy

VOR induced an increase in HIV RNA expression in resting CD41 cells (mean increase, 4.8-fold).



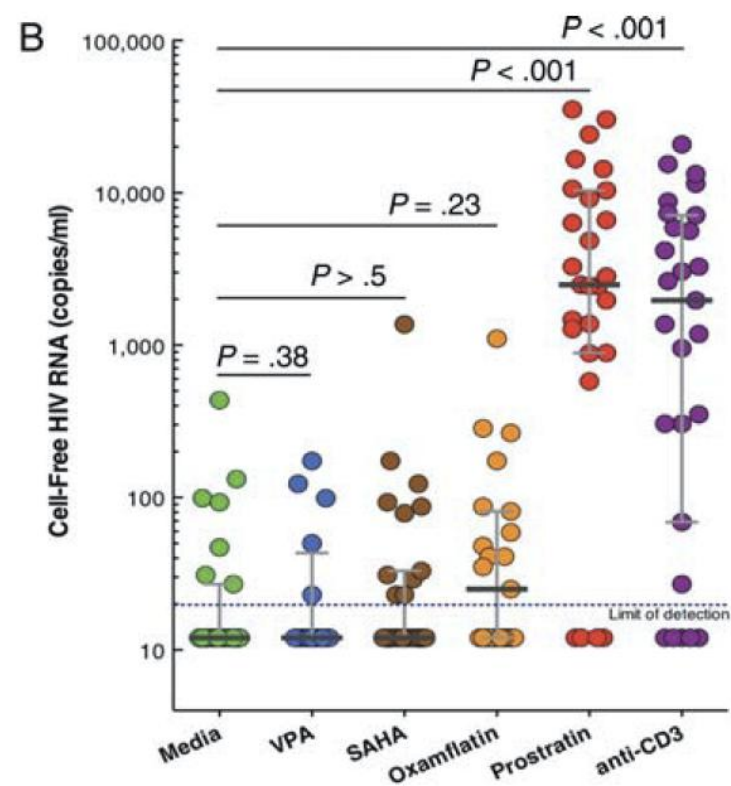
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Effect of Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors on HIV Production in Latently Infected, Resting CD4+ T Cells From Infected Individuals Receiving Effective Antiretroviral Therapy

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Effect of histone deacetylase inhibitors (HDACis; valproic acid [VPA], suberoylanilide hydroxamic acid [SAHA], or oxamflatin) and T-cell mitogens (prostratin or anti-CD3 antibody) on cellular activation and viral production in resting CD4+ T cells from aviremic individuals infected with HIV

HDAC is do not induce HIV production in the latent viral reservoir of aviremic individuals.





IL-7 is a potent and proviral strain-specific inducer of latent HIV-1 cellular reservoirs of infected individuals on virally suppressive HAART

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IL-7 could be combined with its ability to stimulate HIV-1 replication from resting CD4(+) T lymphocytes, in addition to other moieties, to potentially deplete HIV-1 reservoirs and lead to the rational design of immune-antiretroviral approaches.

Why are the clinical effects of HDAC inhibition not more impressive?

Why is persistent HIV so hard to treat?

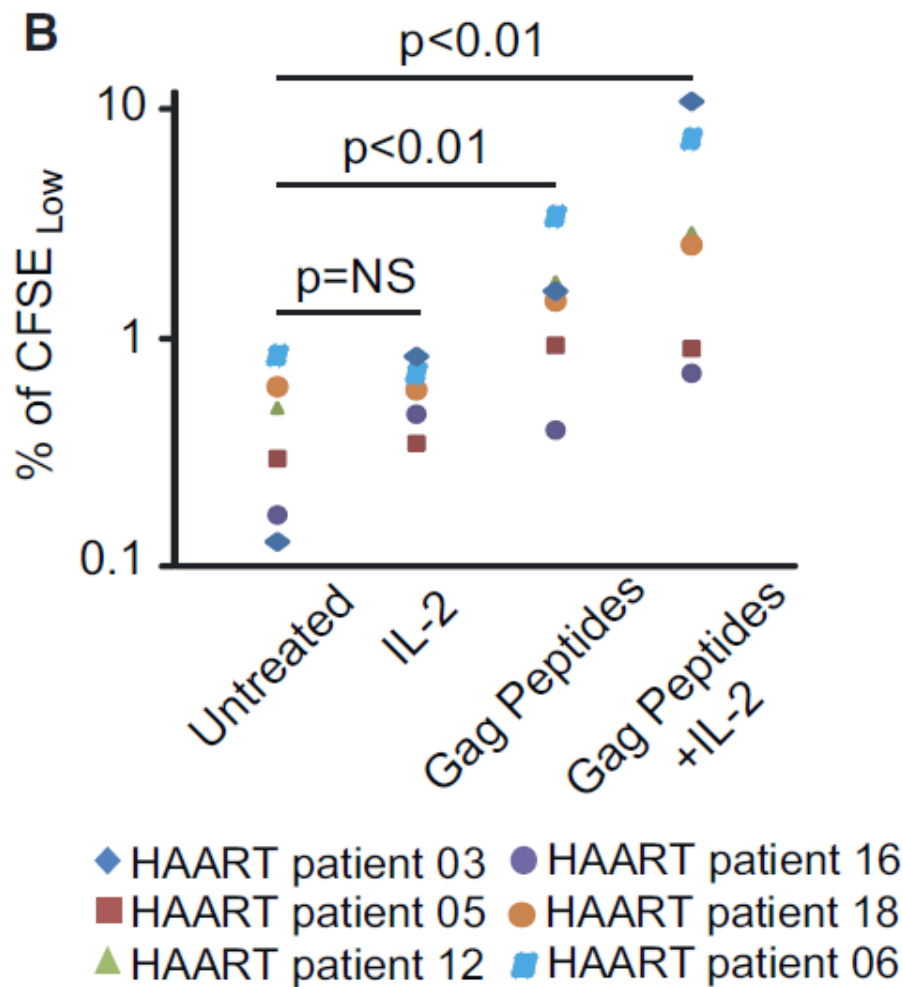


- *Other viral reservoirs with persistent viral expression*
- *More potent HDAC inhibitors targeted to the HDACs most relevant for HIV latency*
- *More than one mechanism maintains latency; more than one mechanism must be attacked*



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Stimulation of HIV-1-Specific Cytolytic T Lymphocytes Facilitates Elimination of Latent Viral Reservoir after Virus Reactivation



Prestimulation with Gag Peptides plus IL-2 Induces Proliferation of HIV-1-Specific CD8⁺ T Cells

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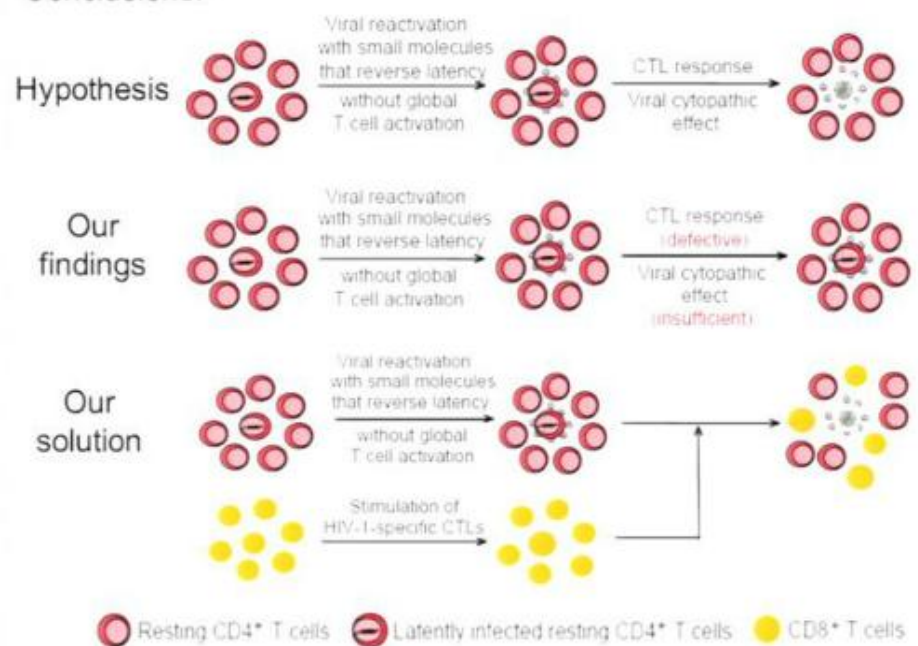


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Antigen-specific stimulation of patient CTLs led to efficient killing of infected cells.

These results demonstrate that stimulating HIV-1-specific CTLs prior to reactivating latent HIV-1 may be essential for successful eradication efforts.

Conclusions:



New strategies

