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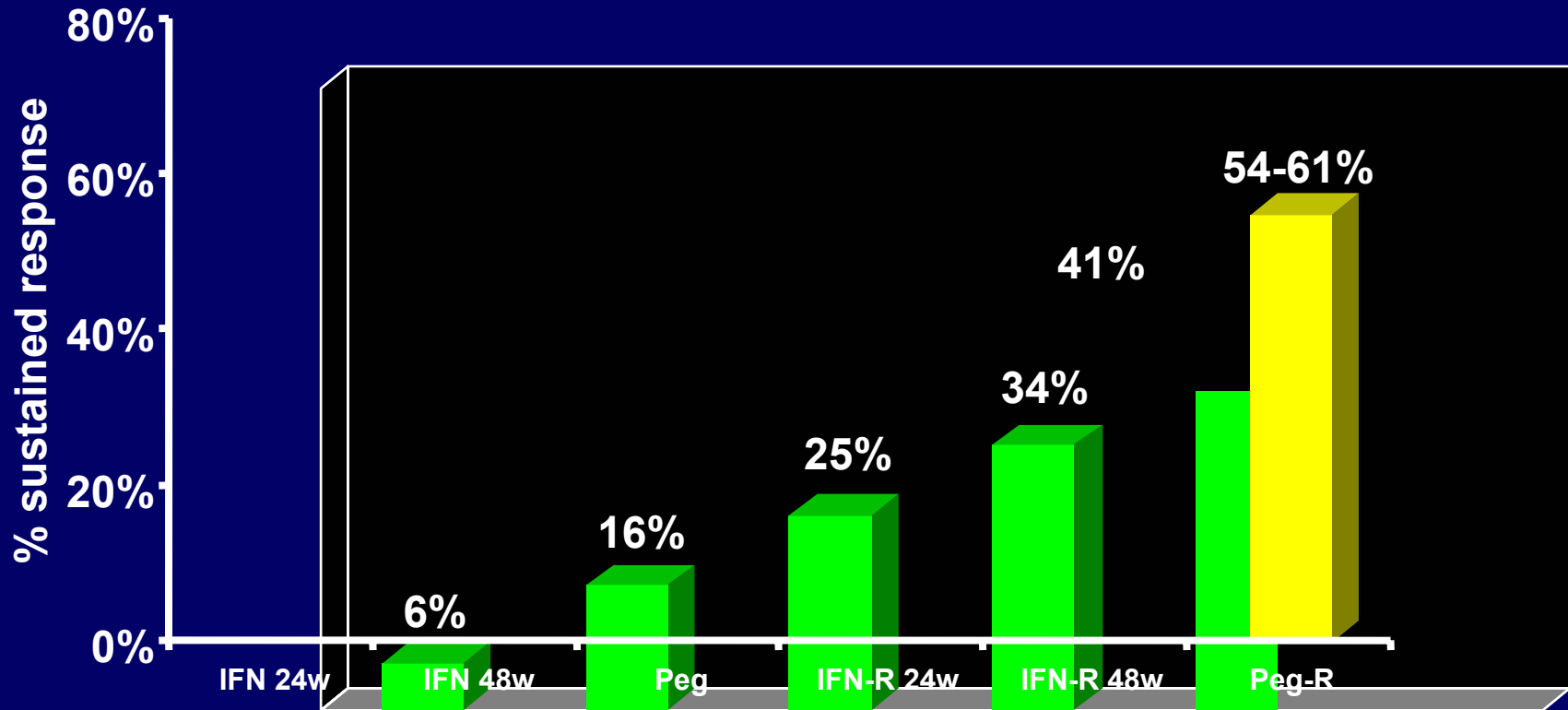
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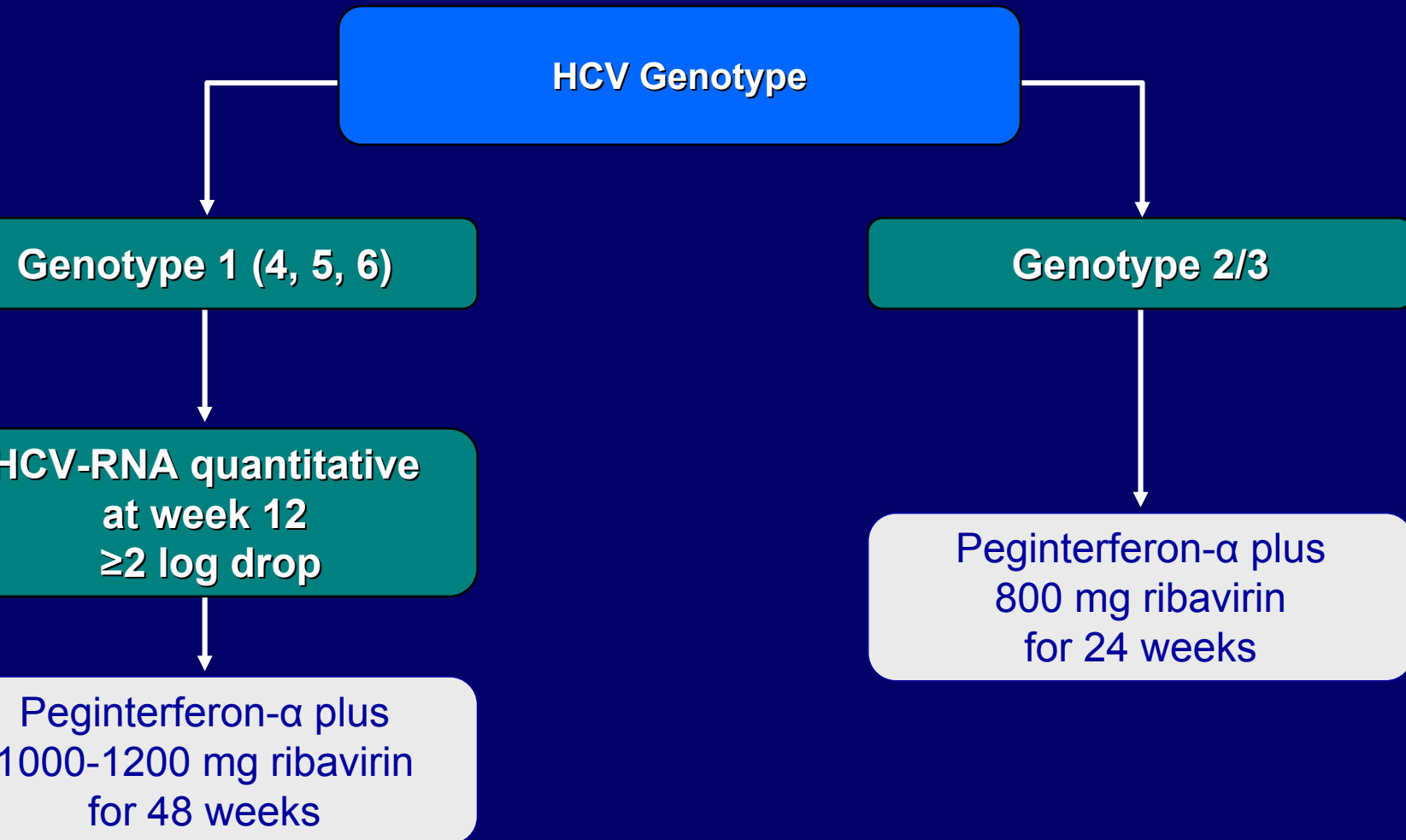
Tratamiento de la Hepatitis C *Rafael Esteban*

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Current HCV Therapy



Standard de Tratamiento: Peginterferon α + ribavirina



Factors Related to Therapy Response

Virus

- Genotype
- Viral load

Treatment

- Adherence
- Early Virologic Response
- Ribavirin Dosage
- Interfering agents (e.g., alcohol)

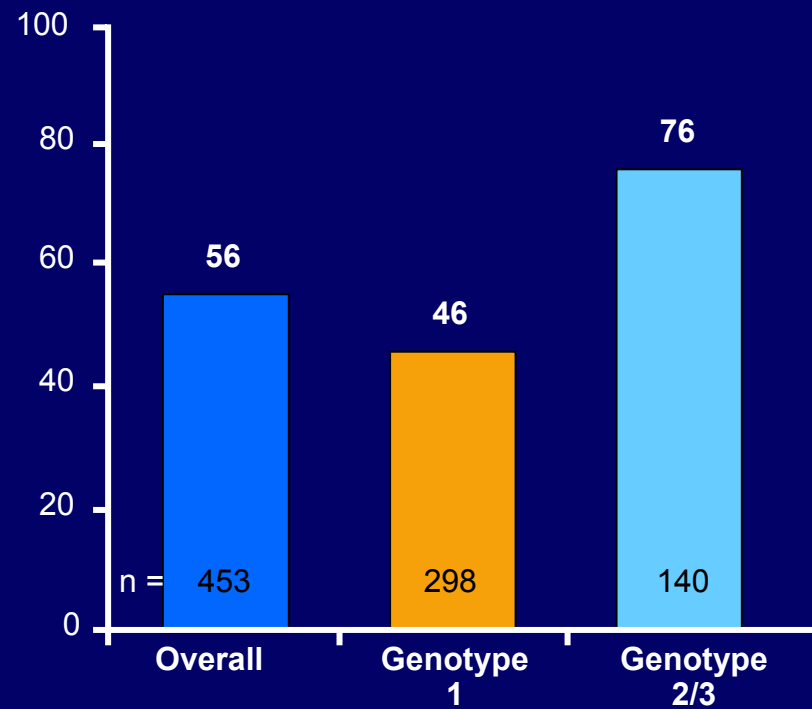
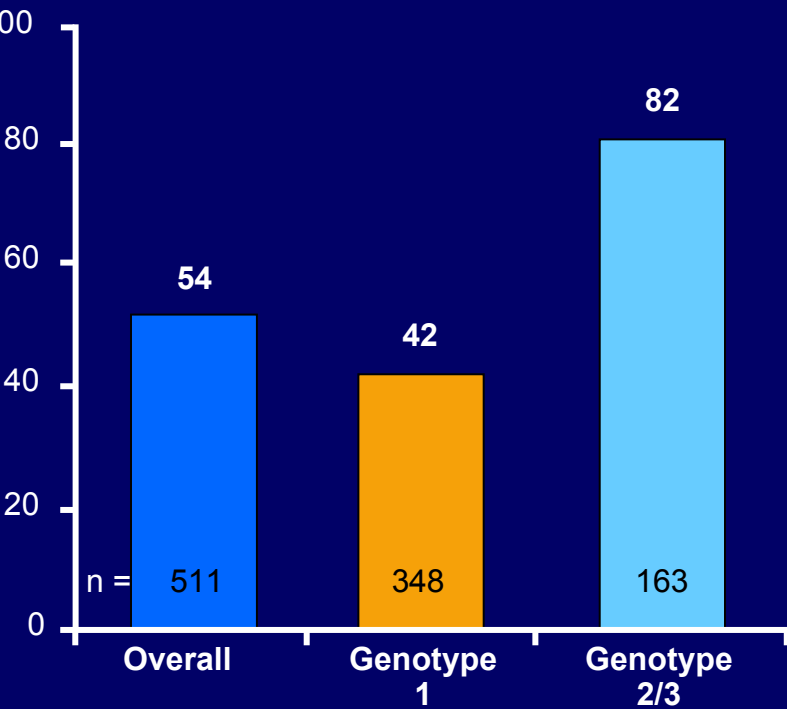
Patient

- Age
- Race
- Weight
- Cirrhosis
- Hepatic steatosis
- HIV co-infection
- Pre-treatment expression of IFN-response genes
- IL28b

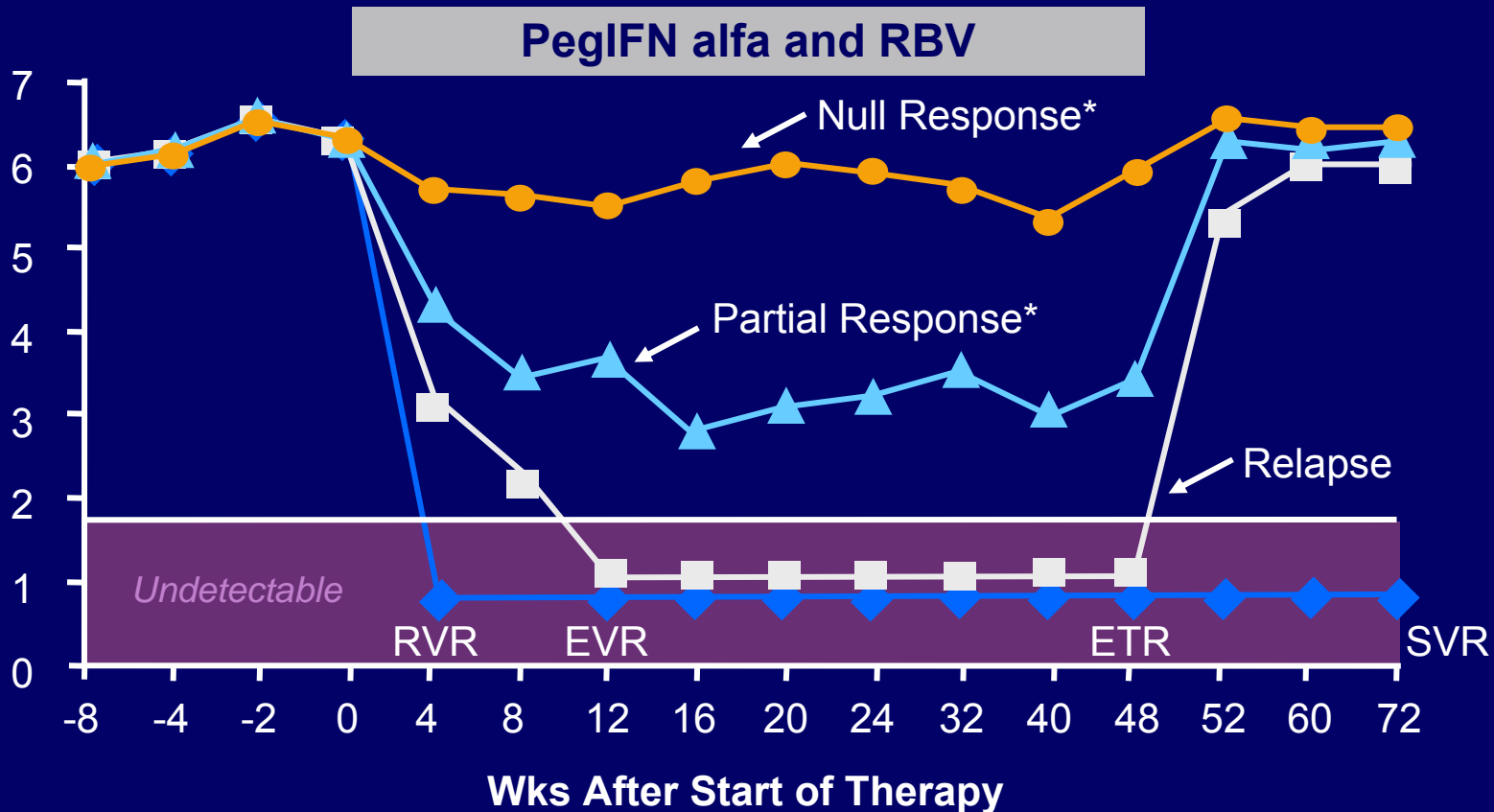
Impact of Genotype on SVR Rates

PegIFN alfa-2b 1.5 µg/kg/wk +
RBV 800 mg/day for 48 wks

- PegIFN alfa-2a 180 µg/wk + weight-based RBV (1000 or 1200 mg/d) for 48 wks

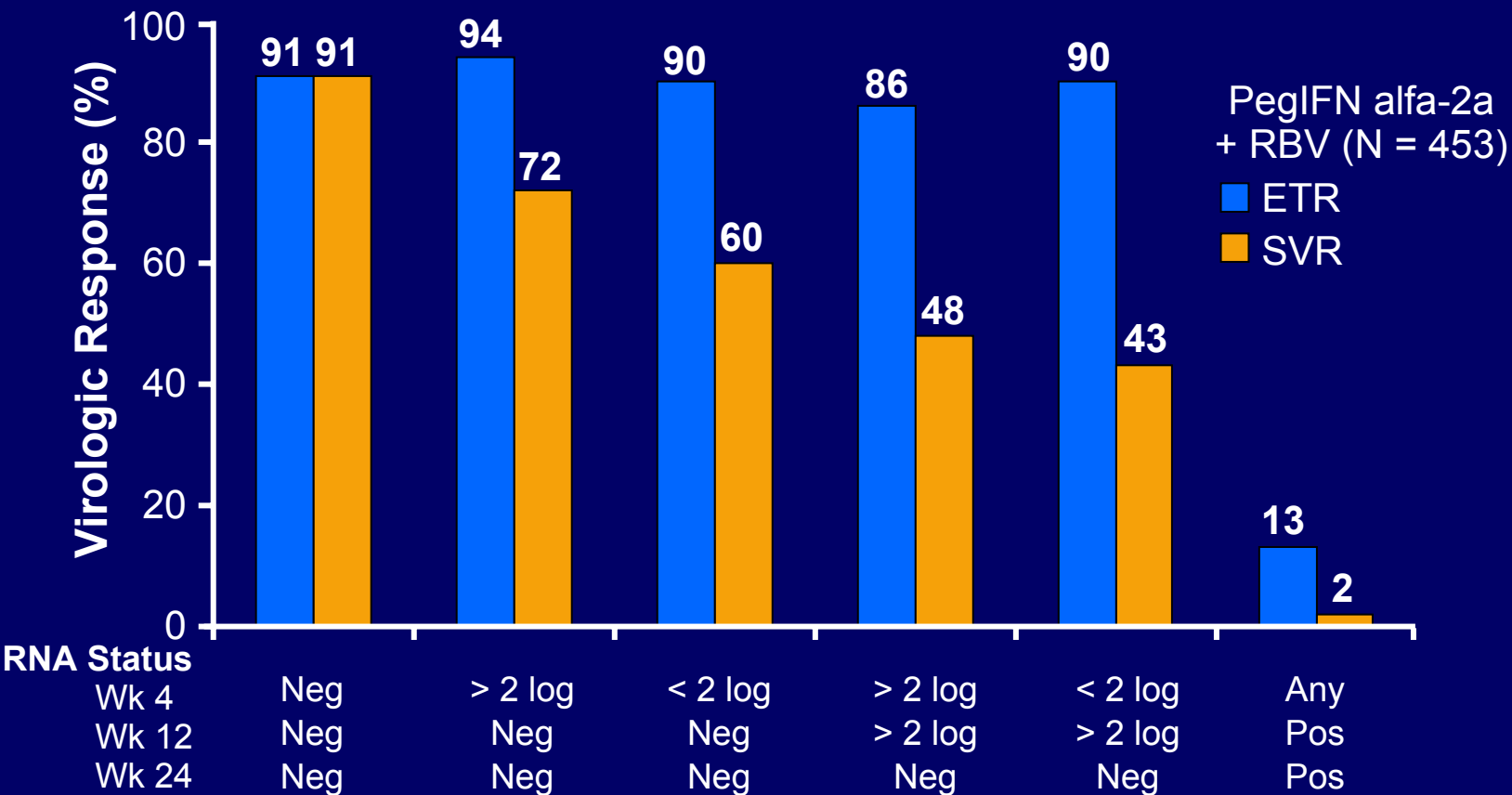


Patterns of Virologic Response



subset of Nonresponse

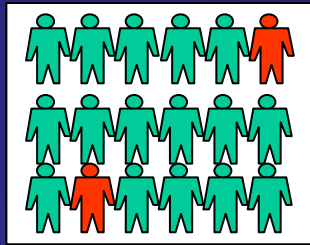
Al Kinetics and Outcome Importance of Rapid Virologic Response



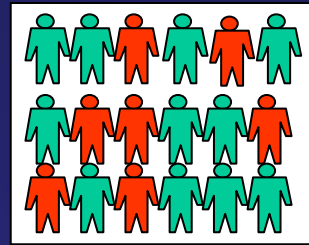
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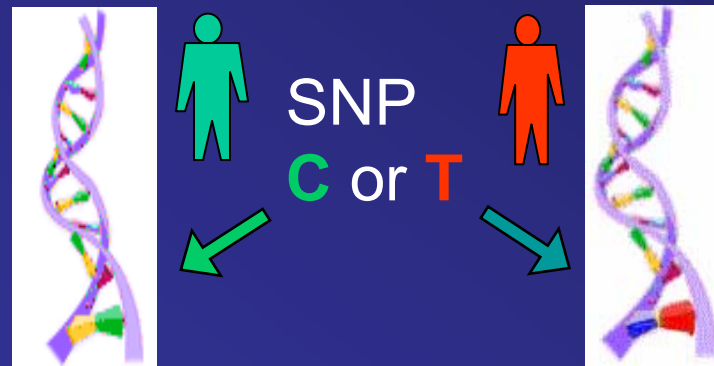
What are Genome wide association studies (GWAS)?



Responders

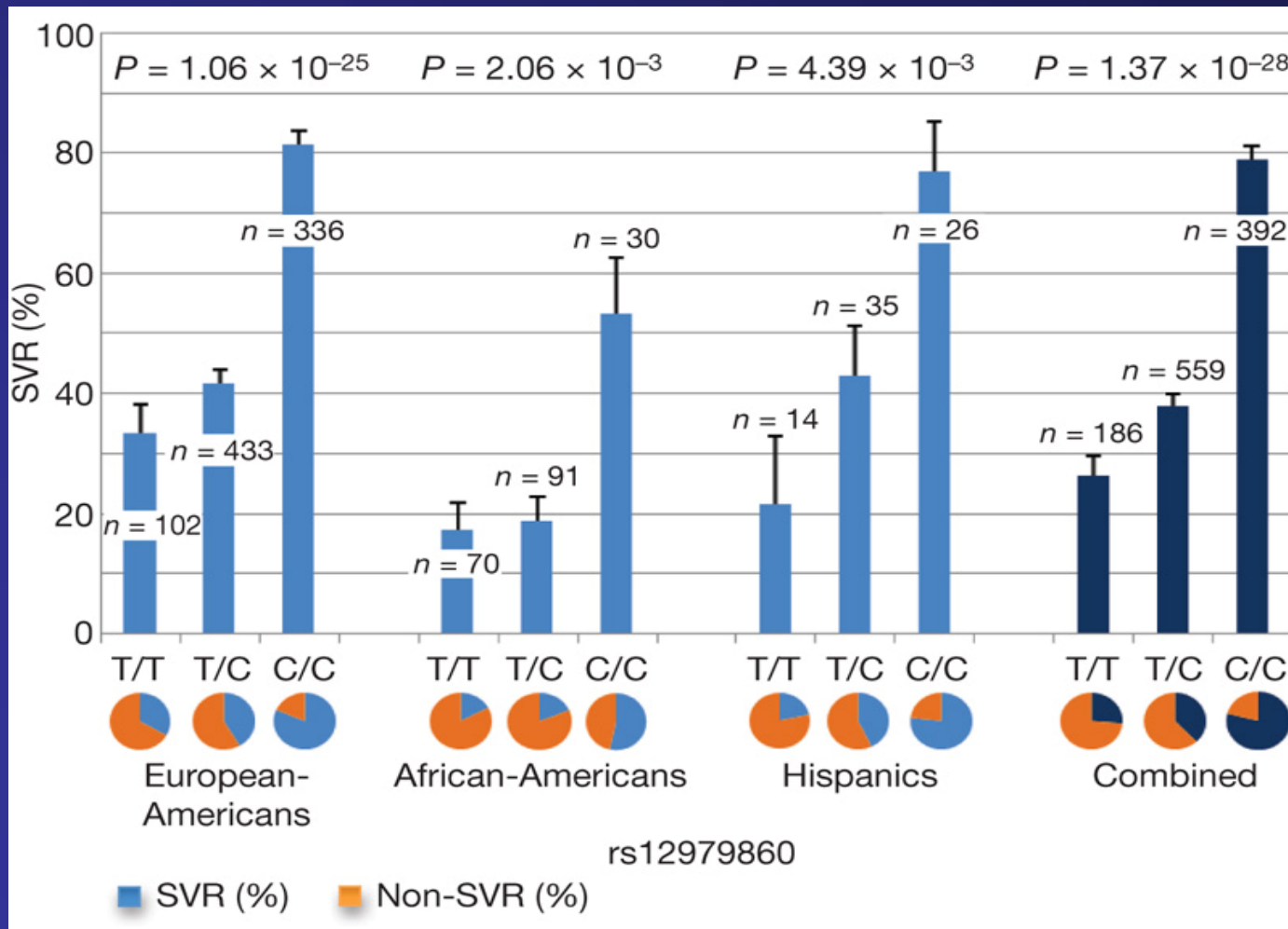


Non-responders



Pharmacogenetic
Analysis of the rs12979860 C allele

SVR by genotypes of rs12979860

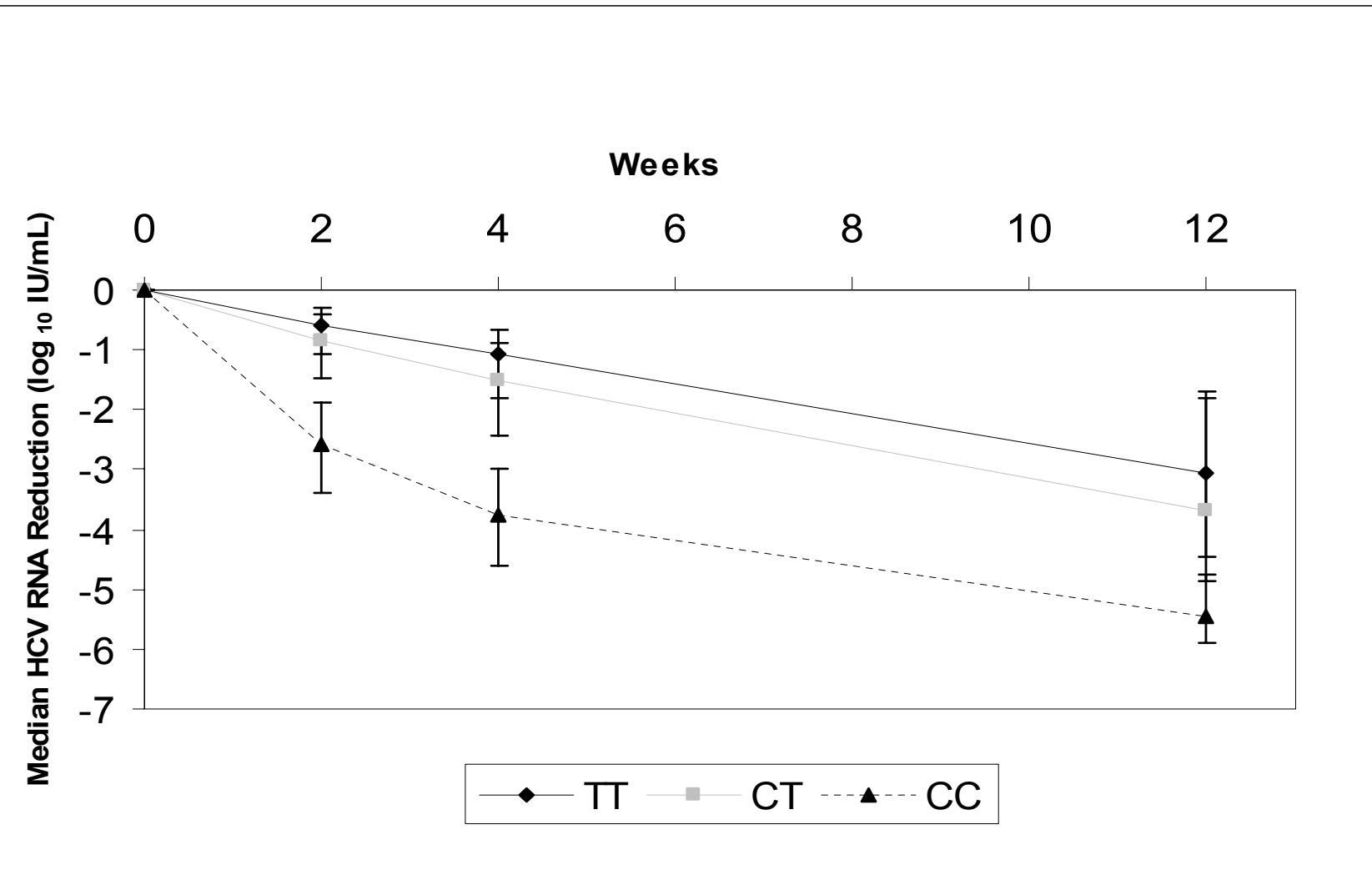


Multivariate Analysis of Baseline Predictors of SVR (Genotype 1 HCV)

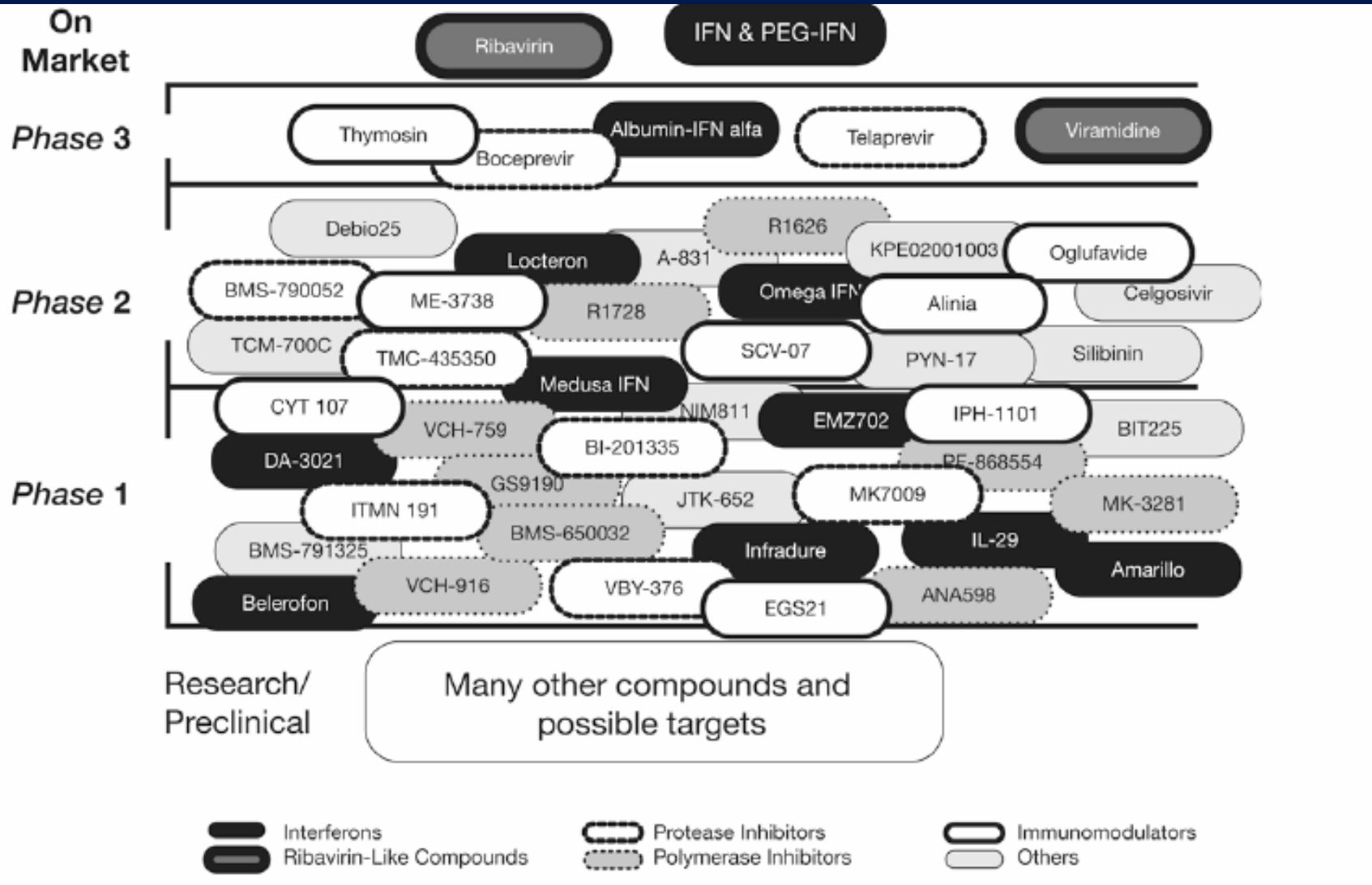
ITT analysis of patients from IDEAL study who consented to genetic testing, regardless of adherence level

Predictor	Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
rs2979860 CC	5.2 (4.1-6.7)	< .0001
HCV RNA level \leq 600,000 IU/mL	3.1 (2.3-4.1)	< .0001
White vs black	2.8 (2.0-4.0)	< .0001
Hispanic vs black	2.1 (1.3-3.6)	.0041
DAVIR F0-F2	2.7 (1.8-4.0)	< .0001
Fasting blood sugar < 5.6 mmol/L	1.7 (1.3-2.2)	< .0001

HCV RNA decline in relation to IL28b in Genotype 1 patients under treatment



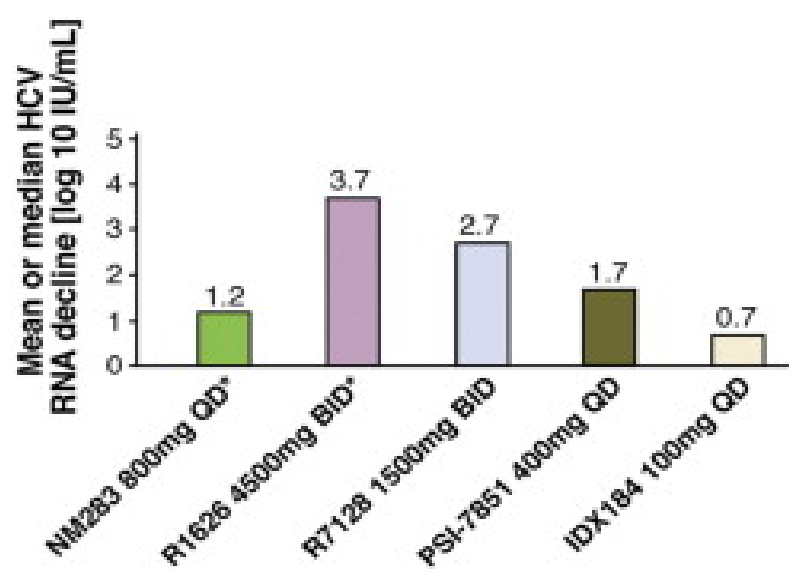
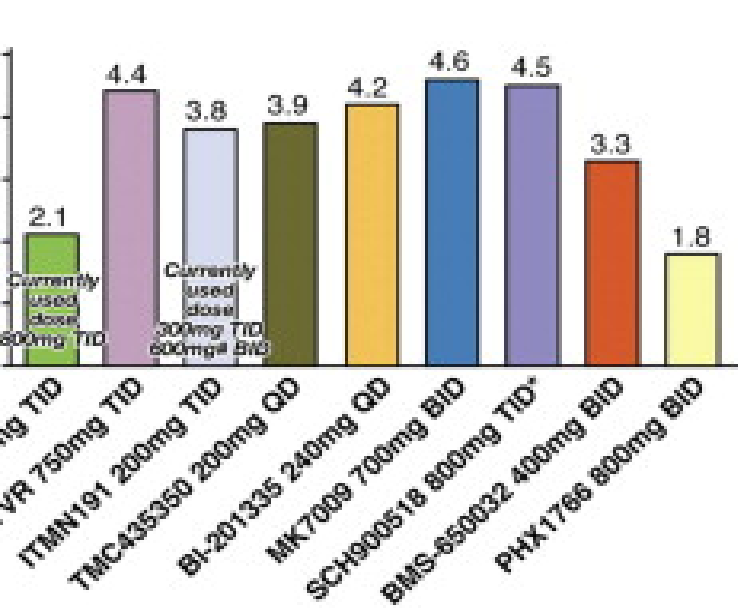
New Drugs for Hepatitis C



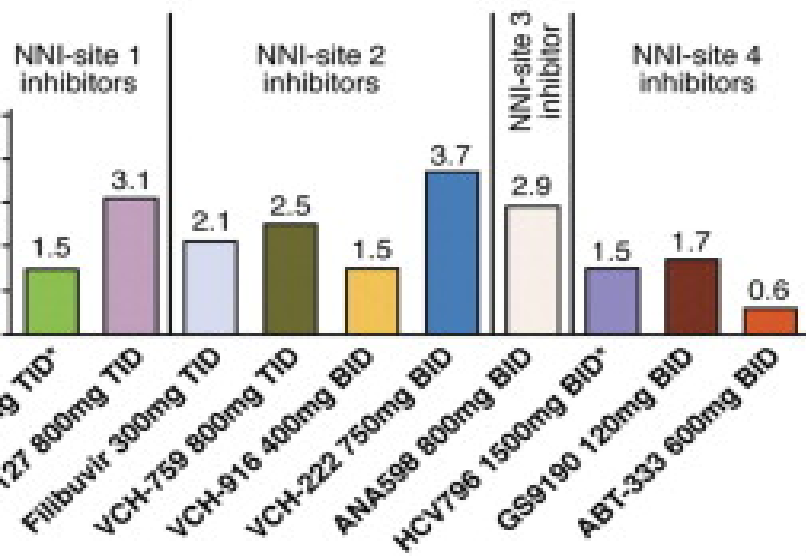
Thompson A et al J of Hepatol 2009

Types of drugs

Type of drugs	Genetic Barrier/ AV Efficacy	<i>Other</i>
Protease Inhibitor	Low/ High	Only Gen 1
Polymerase Inhibitor Nucleoside Analog	High / Low	Few in develop All genotypes
Polymerase Inhibitor Non Nucleo	Low/ Medium	Genotype 1
Ciclofilin Inhibitor	No/ Low	

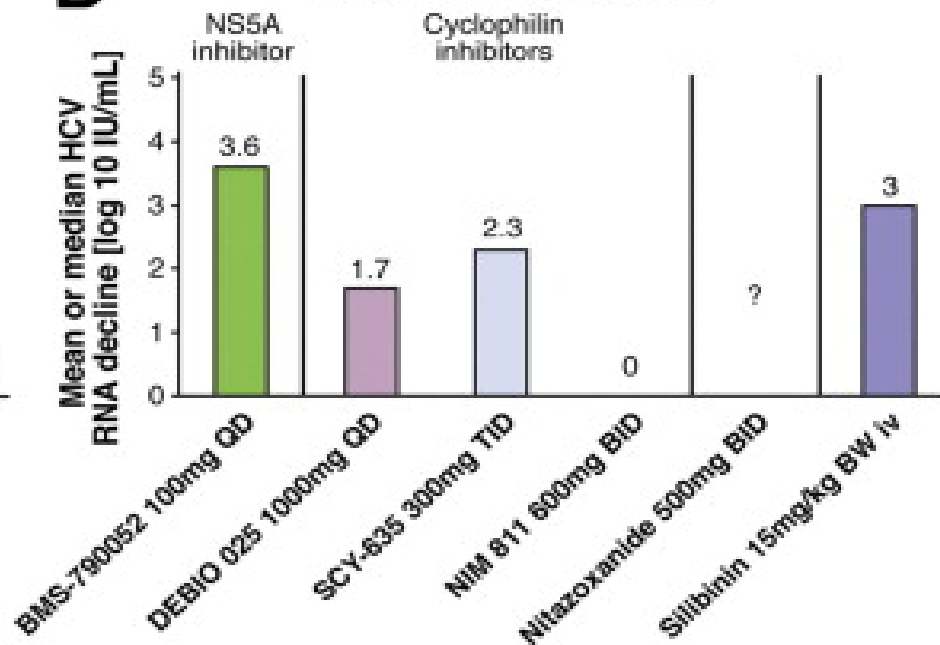


Non-nucleoside inhibitors



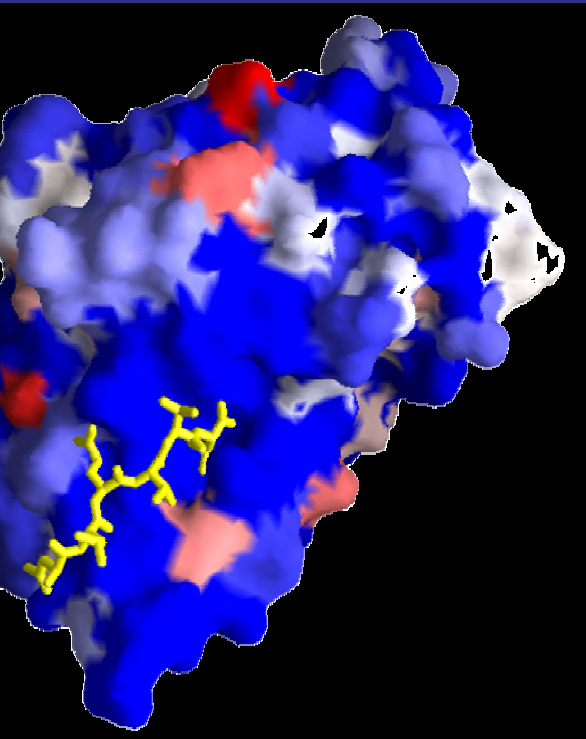
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NS5A inhibitor and others



clinical development stopped

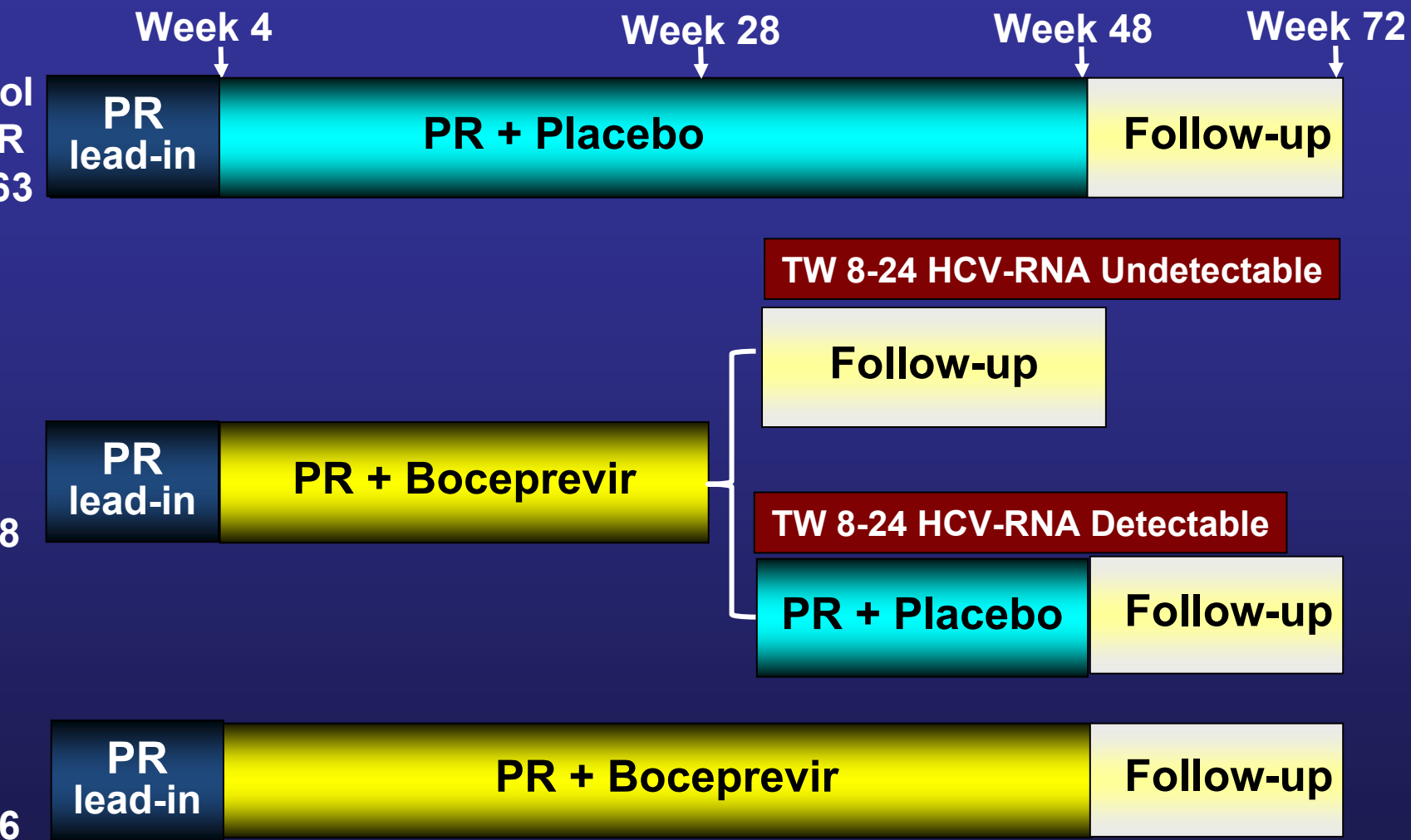
**Boceprevir (BOC) is a linear peptidomimetic
ketoamide serine NS3 protease inhibitor**



Effective against Genotype 1

**Demonstrated activity in
treatment naïve and
experienced populations in
phase 2 clinical trials**

OF RIN 2. Study Design



Interferon (P) administered subcutaneously at 1.5 µg/kg once weekly, plus ribavirin (R) using weight based dose of 600-1400 mg/day in a divided daily dose

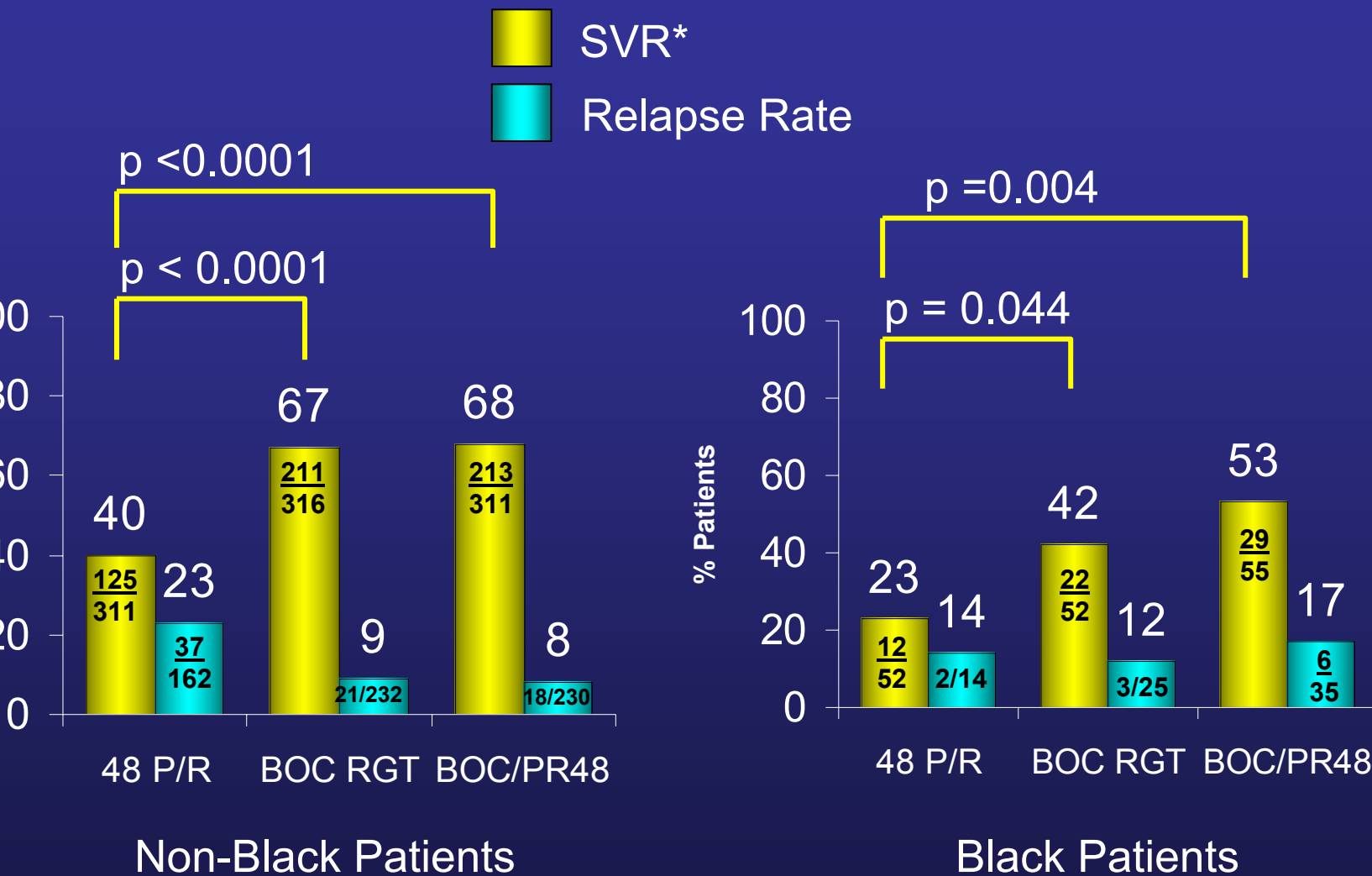
Boceprevir dose of 800 mg thrice daily

Baseline Characteristics

	Cohort 1 (Non-black)			Cohort 2 (Black)		
	Arm 1: 48 P/R N = 311	Arm 2: BOC RGT N = 316	Arm 3: BOC/ PR48 N = 311	Arm 1: 48 P/R N = 52	Arm 2: BOC RGT N = 52	Arm 3: BOC/ PR48 N = 55
Mean age (years)	48	49	49	51	52	51
Female (%)	55	63	60	67	56	60
Unknown (%)						
North America	65	72	70	98	98	95
Europe	32	25	27	2	2	5
Age – mean (SD)	27 (5)	28 (5)	27 (5)	28 (4)	29 (5)	31 (6)
Genotype / subtype (%)*						
Genotype 1	60	62	63	79	75	73
Genotype 2	36	35	33	17	25	24
Unknown / RNA level						
>10,000 IU/mL (%)	92	91	93	100	94	96
NS5B AVIR F3/F4 (%)	7	8	12	2	15	11

*Genotyping performed by NS5B sequencing (Virco, Mechelen, Belgium)

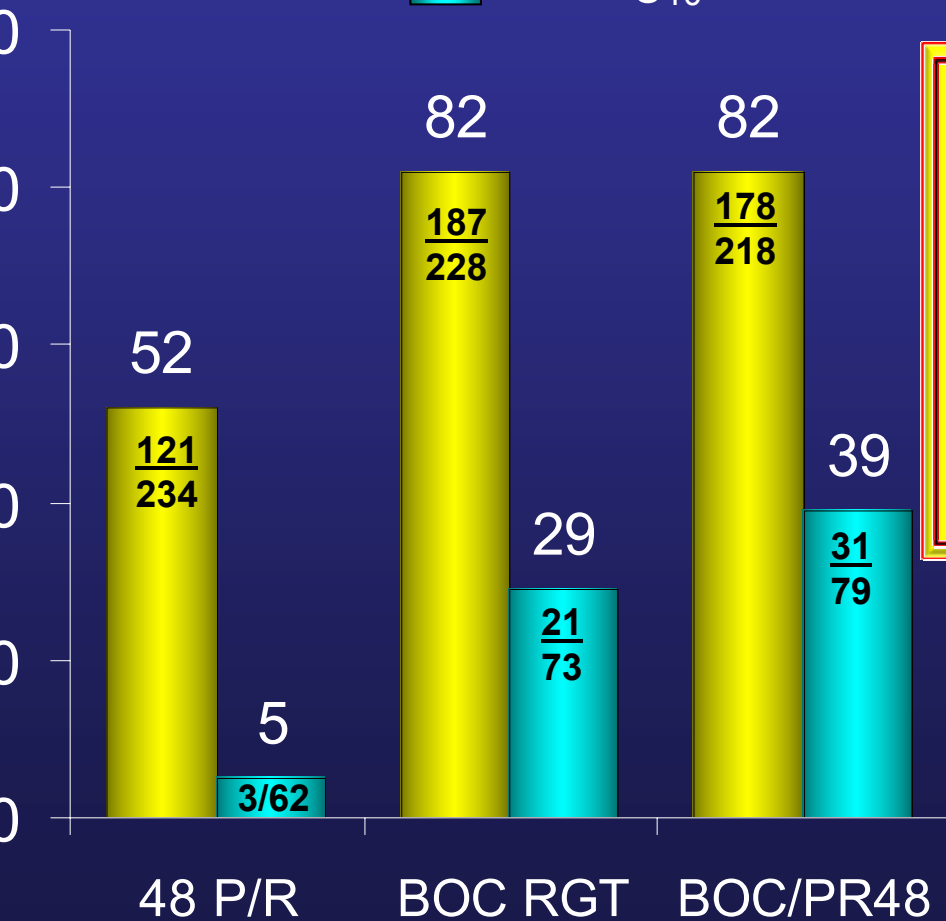
PRINT 2: SVR and Relapse Rates (ITT)



defined as undetectable HCV RNA at the end of the follow-up period. The 12-week post-treatment HCV RNA level was used if the 24-week post-treatment level was missing (as specified in the protocol). A sensitivity analysis was performed counting only patients with undetectable HCV RNA at 24 weeks post-treatment and the SVR rates for Arms 1, 2 and 3 in Cohort 1 were 39% (122/311), 66% (207/316) and 68% (210/311), respectively. In Cohort 2, the SVR rates for Arms 1, 2 and 3 were 21% (11/52), 42% (22/52) and 51% (28/55), respectively.

HCV RNA Based on Week 4 P/R Lead in Non-Black Patients

- █ $\geq 1 \log_{10}$ HCV RNA decline from baseline
- █ $< 1 \log_{10}$ HCV RNA decline from baseline



Boceprevir Resistance-associated Variants*:

$\geq 1 \log_{10}$ decline:

BOC RGT: 4% (9/232)

BOC/PR48: 4% (9/231)

$< 1 \log_{10}$ decline:

BOC RGT: 47% (45/95)

BOC/PR48: 35% (33/94)

Rationale for Lead-in Phase

4 weeks of PegIFN alfa-2b and ribavirin

- Achievement of steady-state drug levels
- Alpha interferon-mediated immune system activation
- Lower HCV burden
- May reduce the emergence of viral resistance by decreasing the pool of pre-existing viral quasi-species

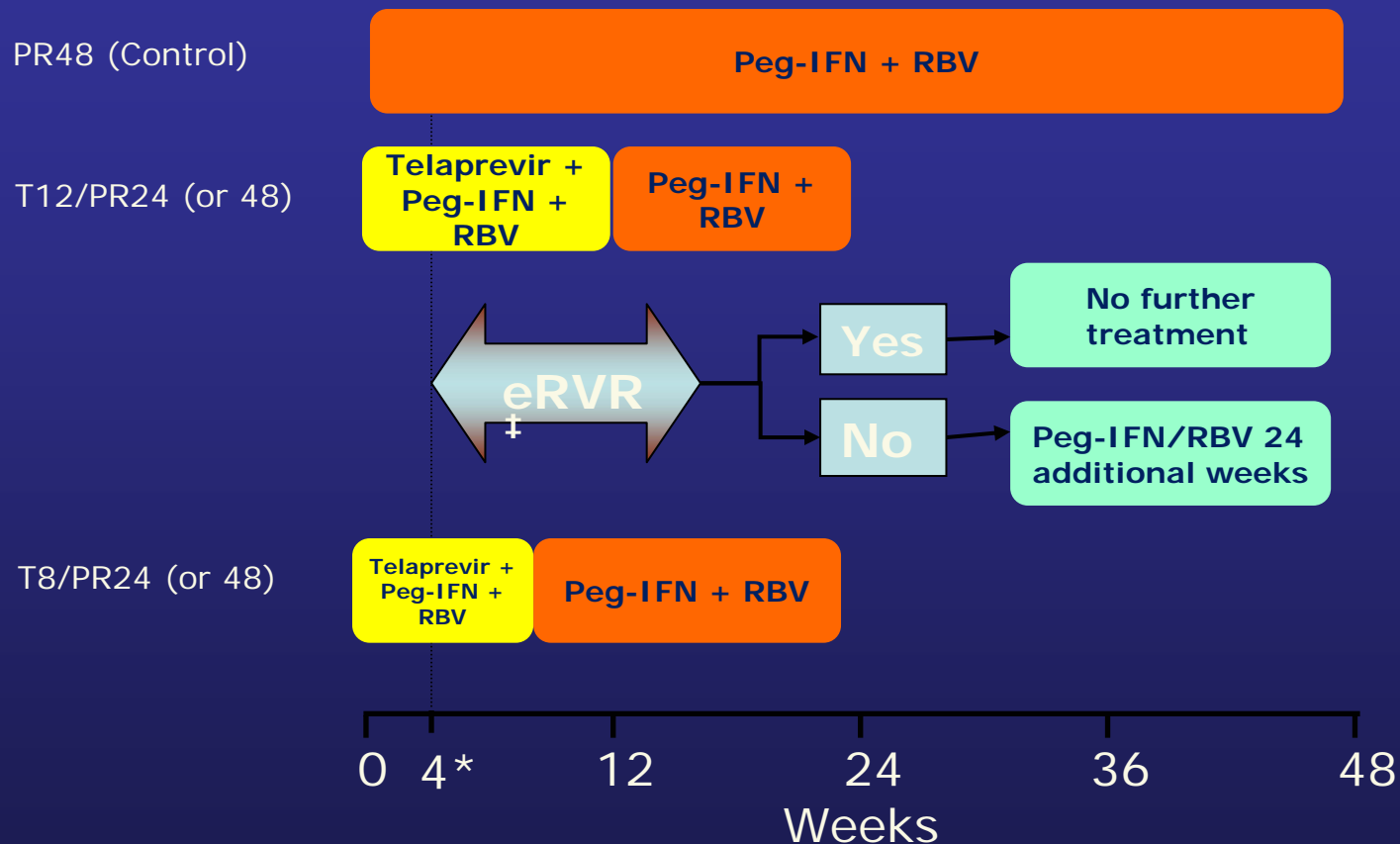
Soceprevir. Adverse Events and Discontinuations

Anemia and dysgeusia reported more frequently in BOC arms vs control in SPRINT-2^[1-2]

Outcome	4-Wk PR + Response-Guided BOC/PR (n = 368)	4-Wk PR + 44-Wk BOC/PR (n = 366)	48-Wk PR (n = 363)
Adverse event, %			
Anemia ^[1]	49	49	29
EPO use	41	46	21
Dysgeusia ^[2]	37	43	18
Discontinuations due to adverse events, % ^[1]	12	16	16
Anemia ^[1]	2	2	1

1. Poordad F, et al. AASLD 2010.

TELAPREVIR - ADVANCE

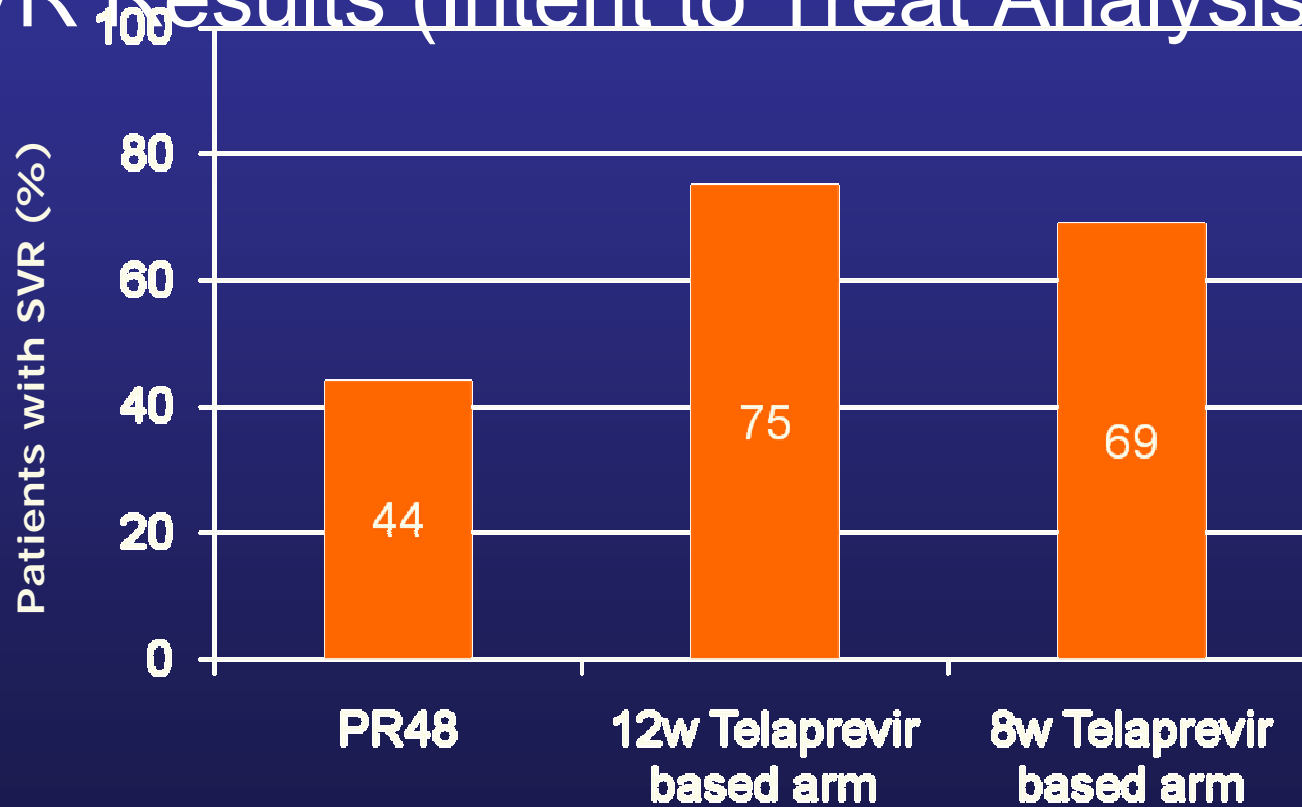


* Stopping rule time point for Telaprevir

‡ eRVR = extended RVR, undetectable at W4 and 12

Efficacy Results from ADVANCE

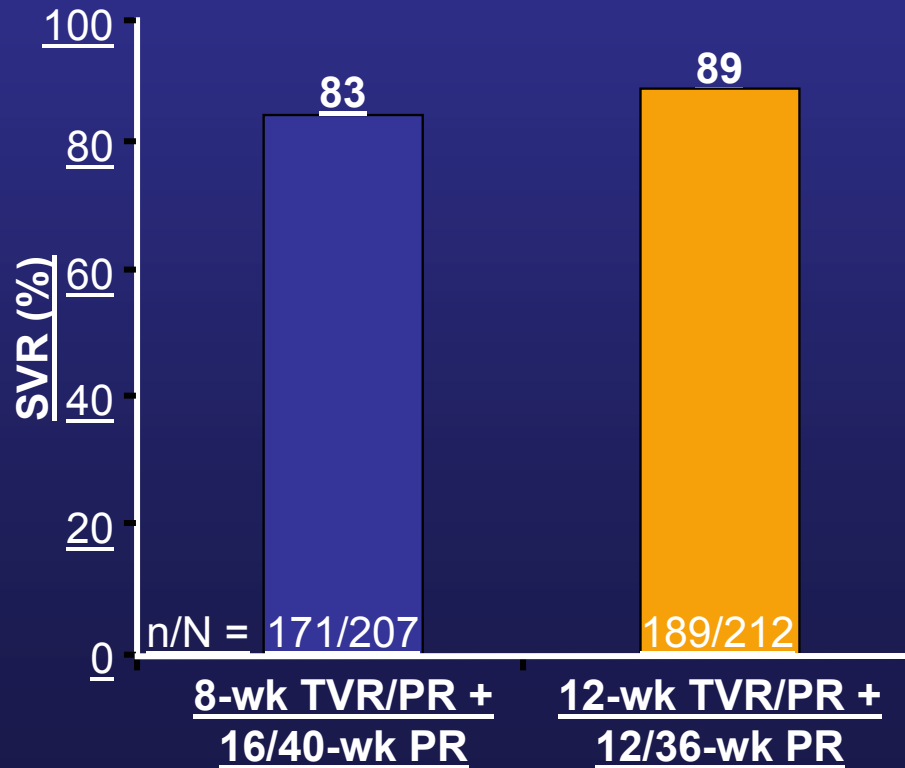
SVR Results (Intent to Treat Analysis)



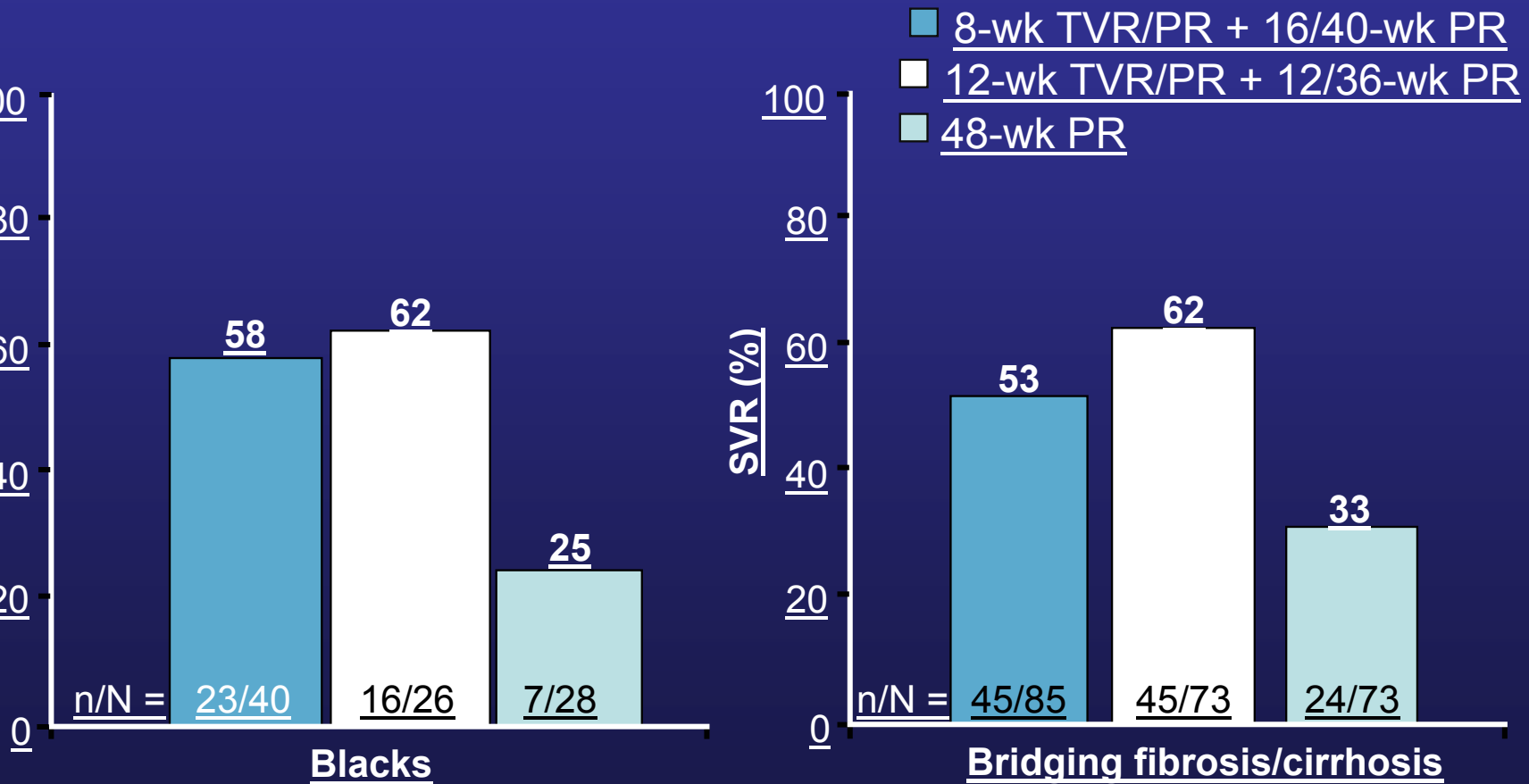
The SVR rates observed in the two telaprevir-based treatment arms were statistically significant when compared to the control arm ($p < 0.0001$)

ADVANCE: SVR Rates in Patients Who Qualified For 24 Weeks of Therapy

57% and 58% of patients qualified for 24 weeks of therapy (assessment at Week 4) in 8-wk and 12-wk TVR arms, respectively



ADVANCE. Response Rates According to Race/Cirrhosis



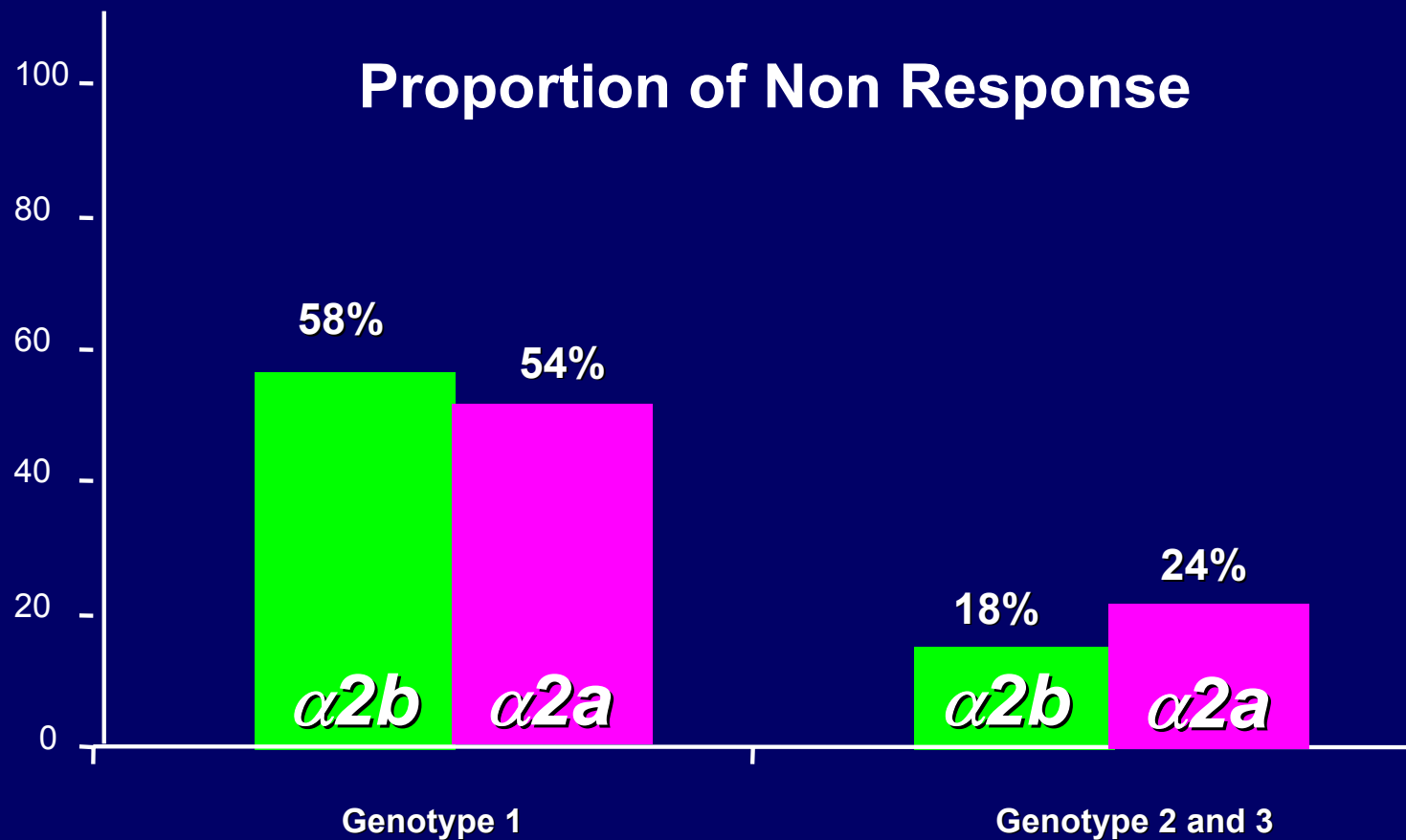
telaprevir: Discontinuations

Discontinuations due to adverse events in Phase III ADVANCE:

Outcome, %	8-Wk TVR/PR + 16/40-Wk PR (n = 364)	12-Wk TVR/PR + 12/36-Wk PR (n = 363)	48-Wk PR (n = 361)
Discontinuation of TVR/placebo due to h	7	11	1
Discontinuation of all drugs due to AEs	8	7	4
anemia	3.3	0.8	0.6

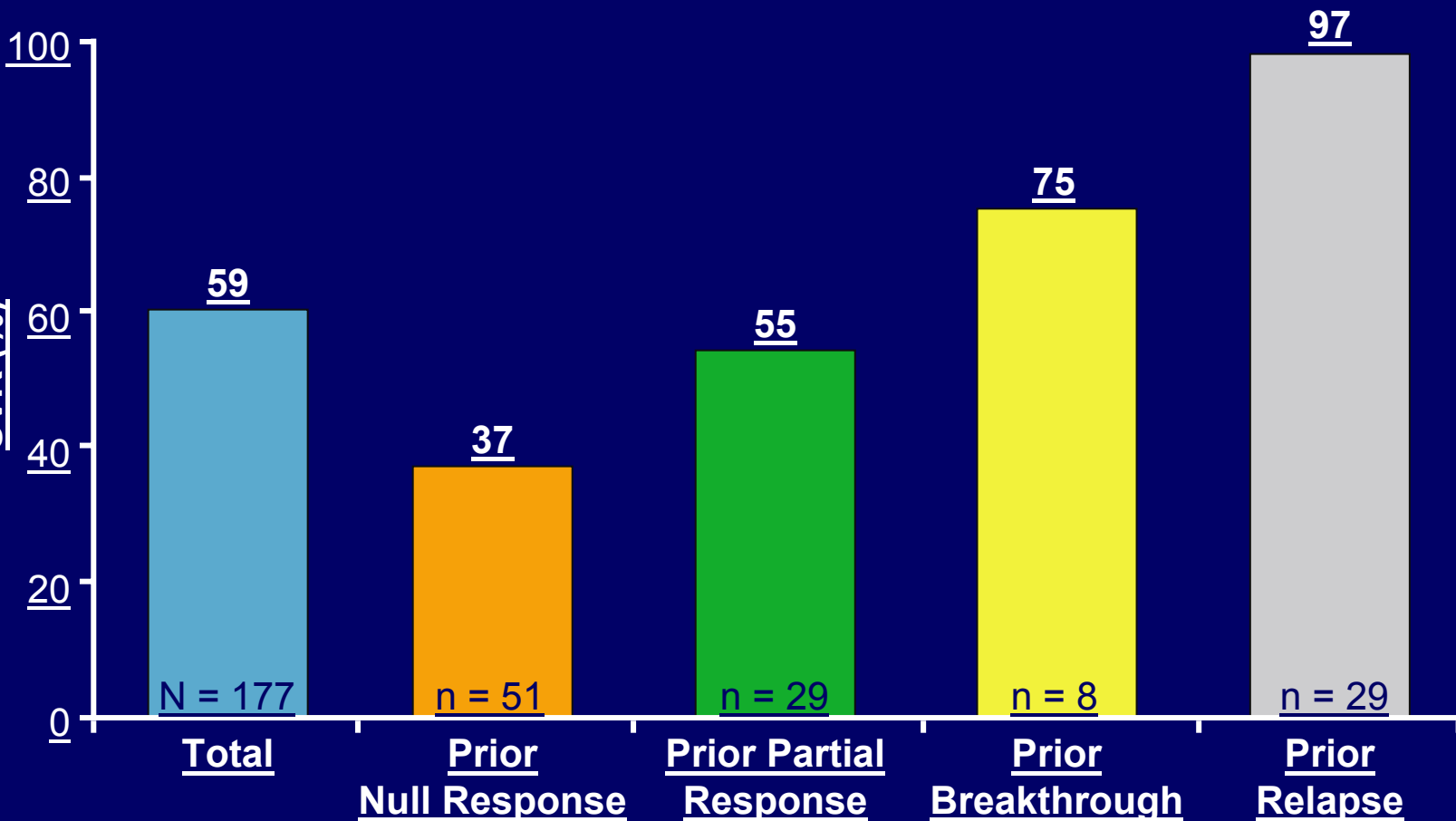
Johnson IM, et al. AASLD 2010. Abstract 211.

PegIFN $\alpha 2a$ and Ribavirin in treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C



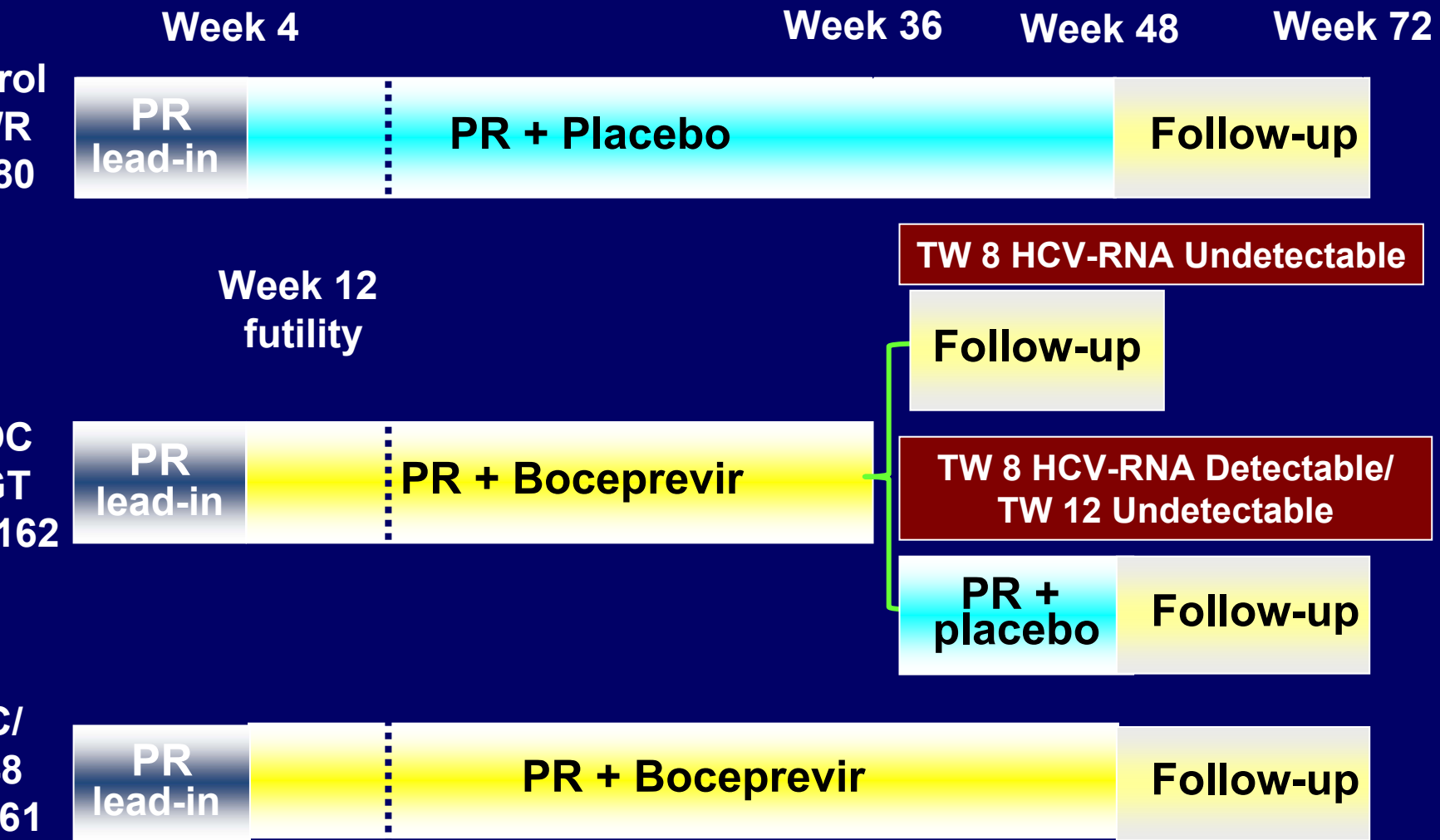
Manns et al. Lancet 2001 Fried et al N Eng J Med

Study 107: TVR/PR Retreatment of Pts With PR Failure in PROVE 1/2/3 Trials



T, et al. EASL 2010, Abstract 4. Graphic reproduced with permission.

Study Arms and Dosing Regimen



HCV-RNA measured by the Cobas TaqMan assay (Roche). Patients with detectable HCV-RNA (LLD=9.3 IU/mL) at week 12 were considered treatment failures.

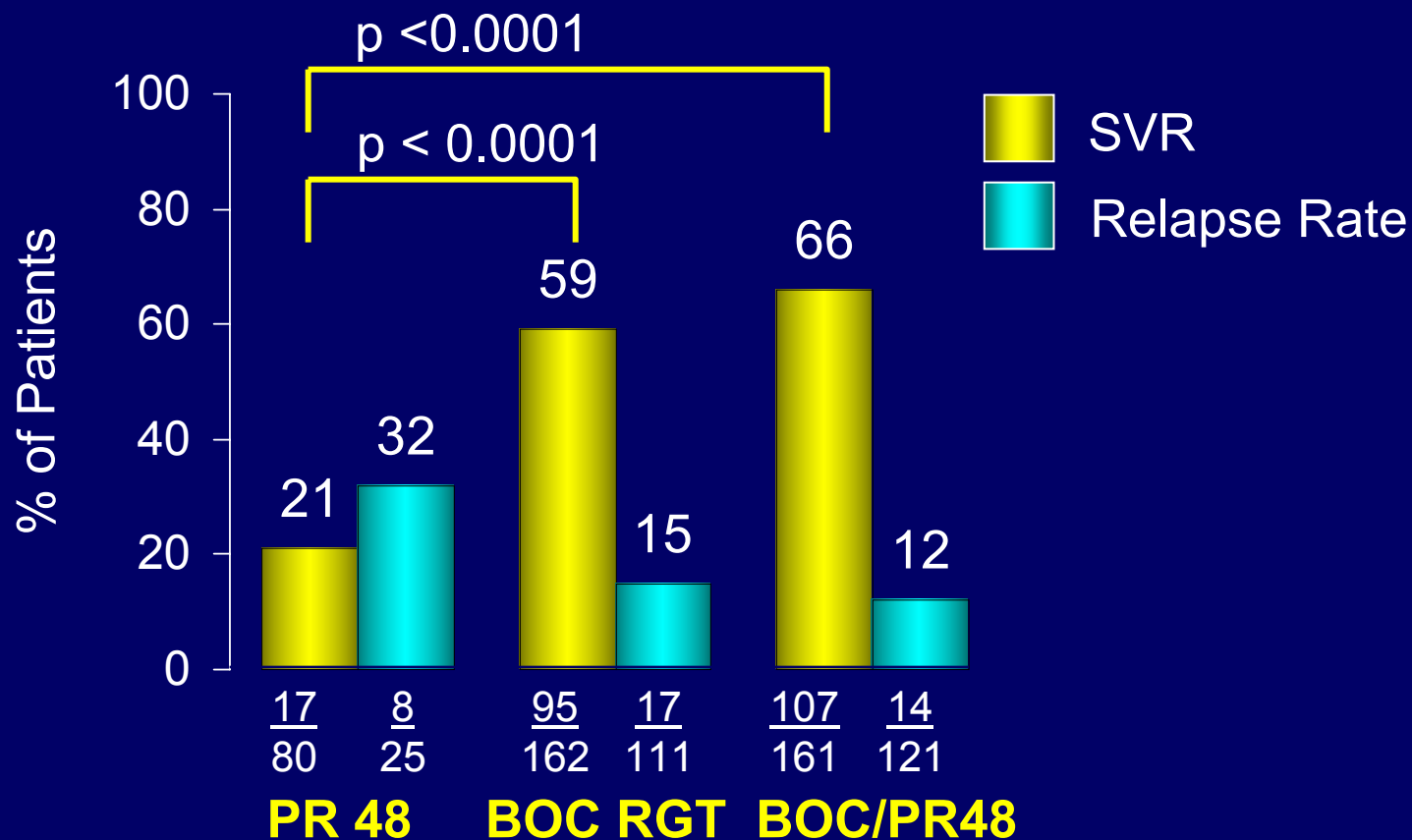
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Boceprevir dose of 800 mg thrice daily

SPOND-2 SVR and Relapse Rates

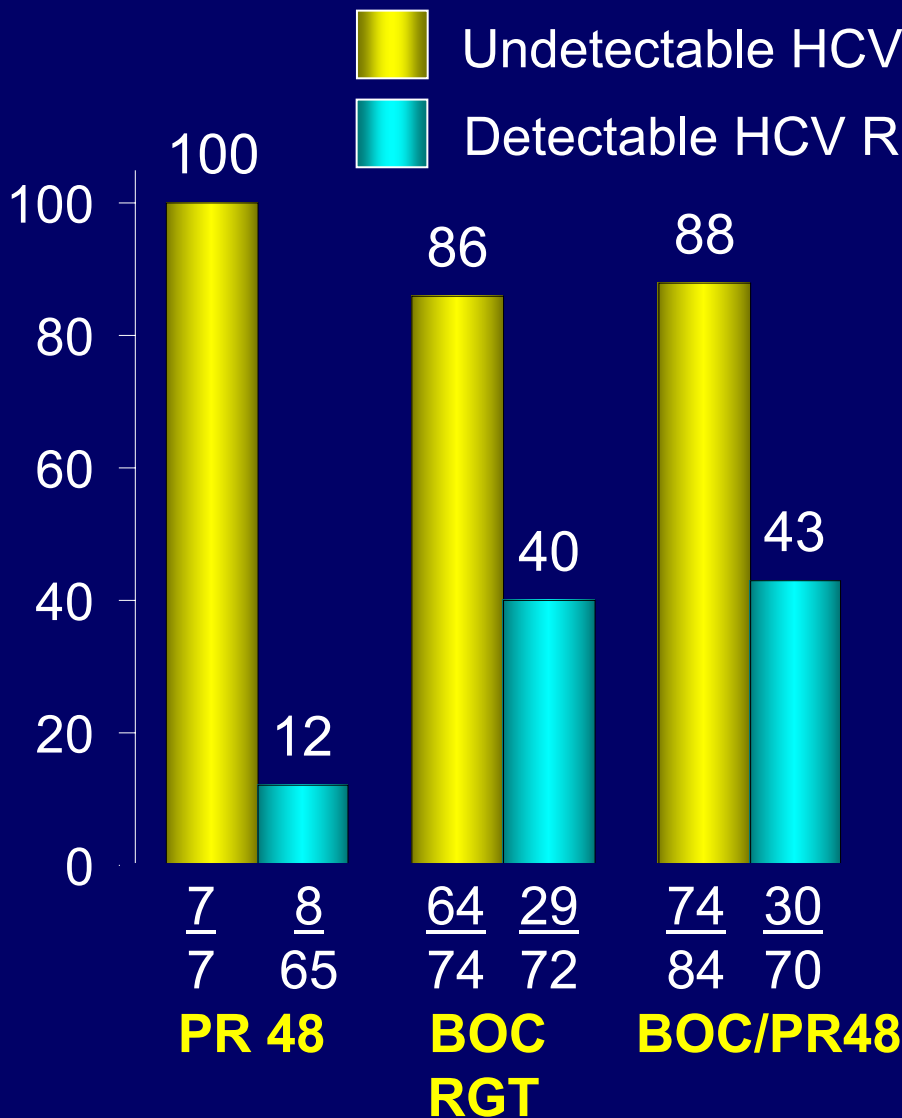
Intention to treat population



SVR rates in BOC RGT and BOC/PR48 arm not statistically different (OR, 1.4; 95% CI [0.9, 2.2])

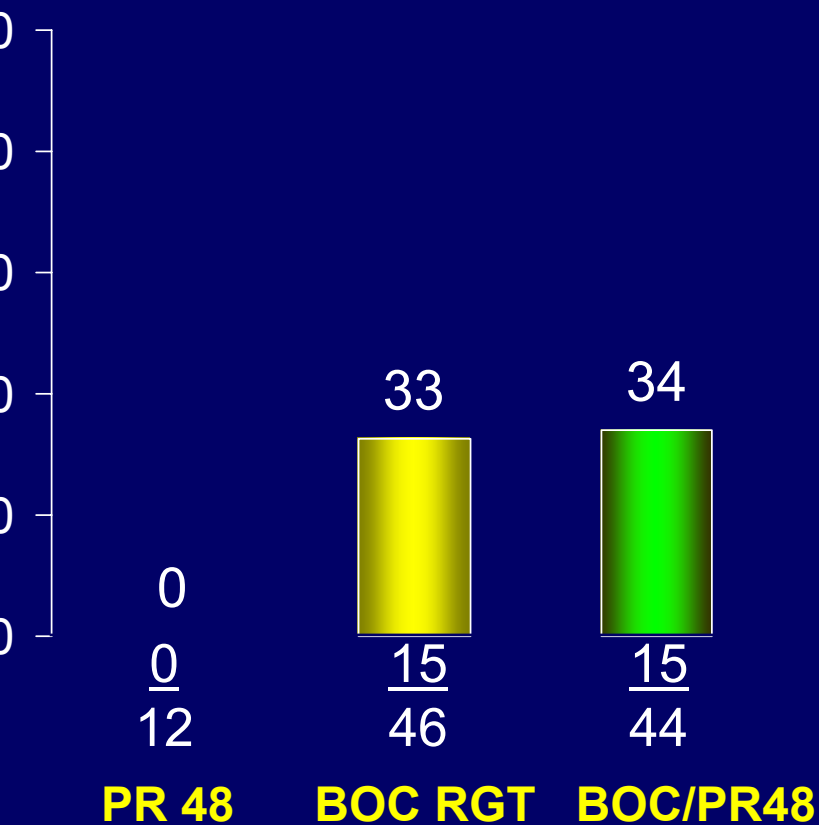
Week 24 HCV RNA level used if 24-week post-treatment level was missing. A sensitivity analysis where missing data was considered as non-responder, SVR rates for Arms 1, 2 and 3 were 21% (17/80), 58% (95/162) and 66% (106/161), respectively.

Response by Week 8 HCV RNA Response Intention to Treat Population

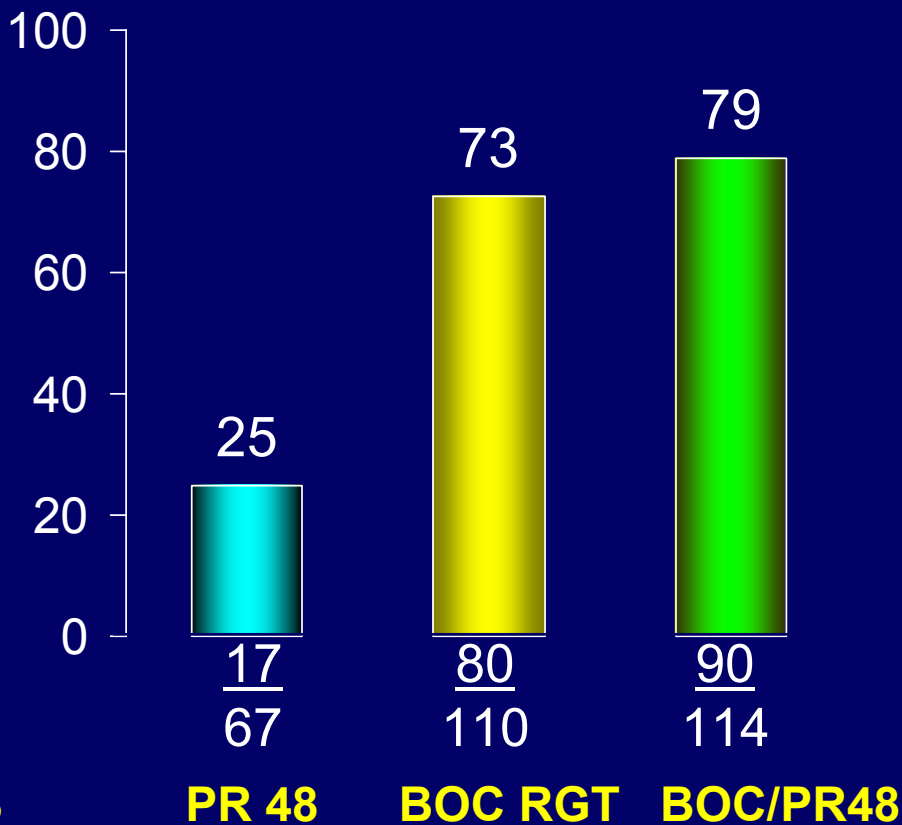


- 46% of patients in BOC RGT arm were eligible for shorter therapy
- ~6 times as many patients on BOC regimens (46-52%) achieved undetectable HCV RNA at week 8 compared to control (9%)

PR by Week 4 PR Lead-In Response



Poorly Responsive to IFN
 $<1 \log_{10}$ viral load decline at
treatment week 4



Responsive to IFN
 $\geq 1 \log_{10}$ viral load decline at
treatment week 4

RESPOND-2: Adverse Events Over Entire Treatment Course

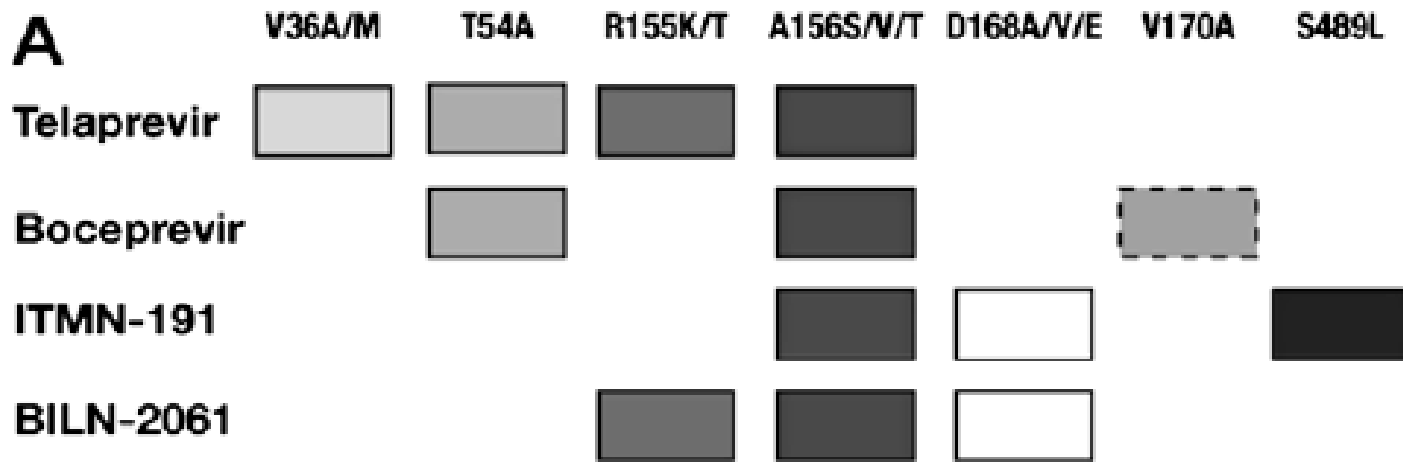
Adverse events more common in BOC arms vs control

– Anemia and dysgeusia

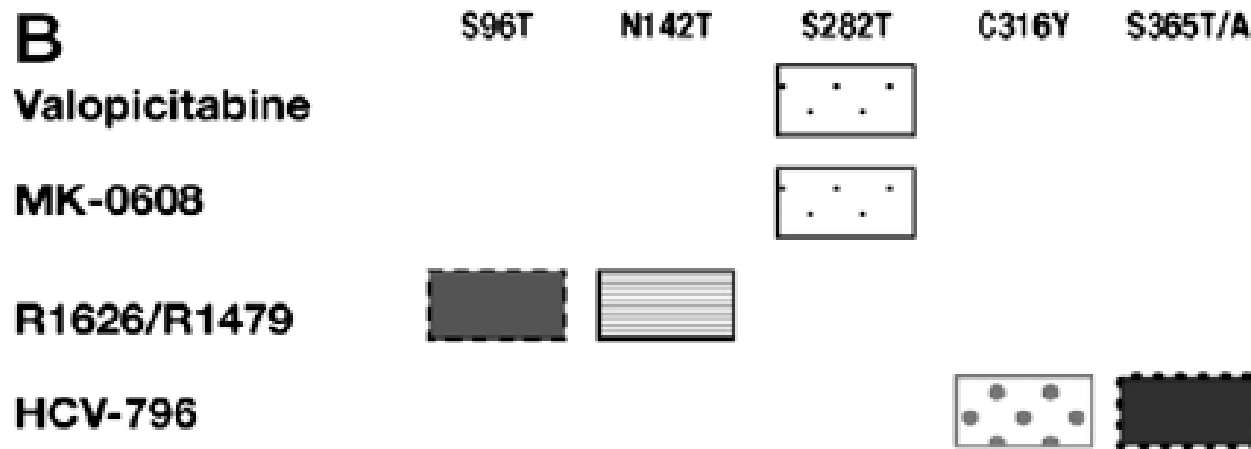
Adverse event	4-Wk PR + Response-Guided BOC + PR (n = 162)	4-Wk PR + 44-Wk BOC + PR (n = 161)	48-Wk PR (n = 114)
Anemia, % ^[1]	43	46	20
Dysgeusia	43	45	11

In Vitro resistance to Protease (A) and Polymerase (B) Inhibitors

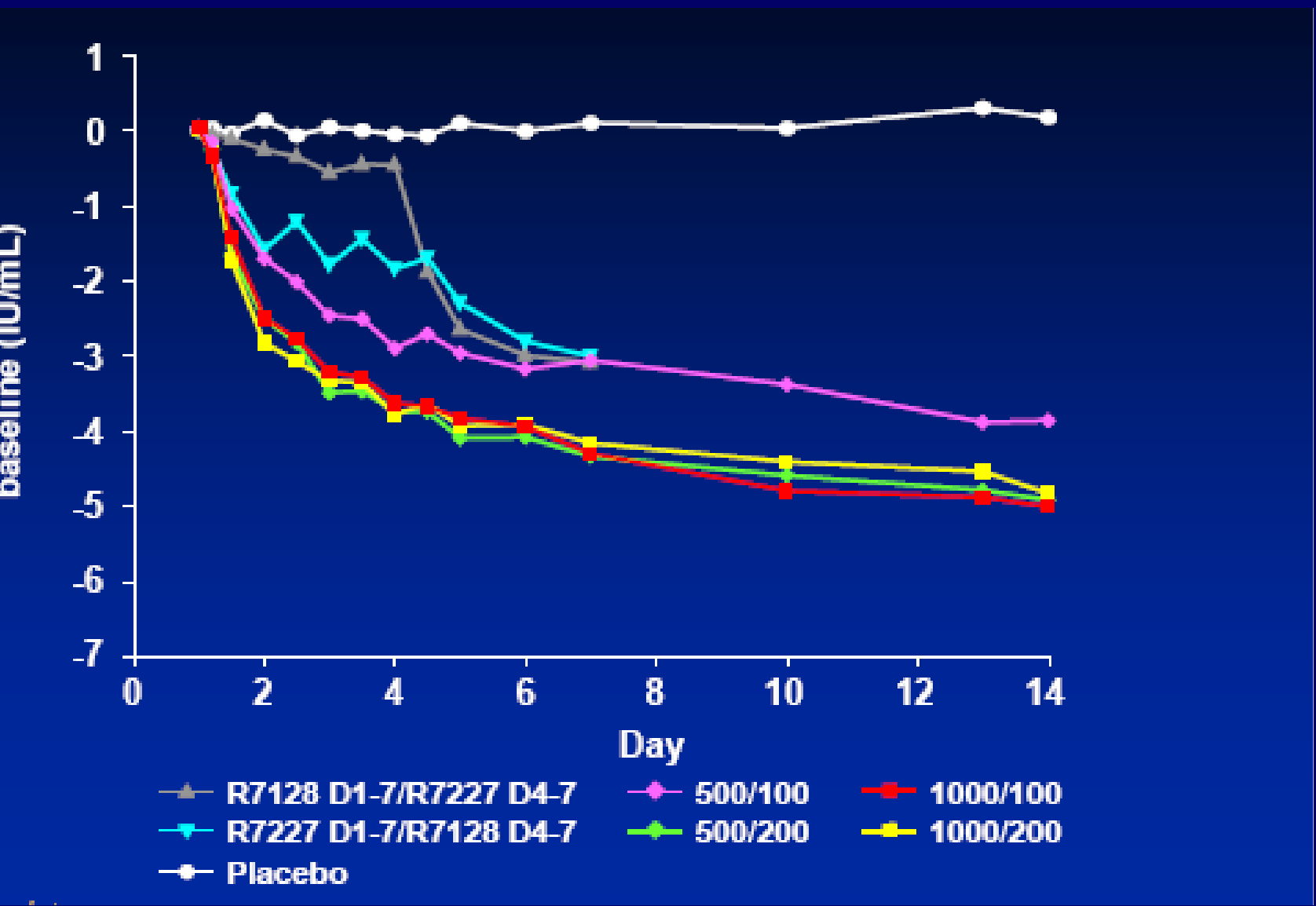
A



B



Combination of two oral drugs in HCV G-1 Patients Nucleoside Polymerase (R7128) and Protease (R7227) Inhibitor



Summary

Combination of Protease Inhibitors with PEG-IFN and RBV will increase SVR in genotype 1 patients from 40% to 60-70%

Relapse rate decline to 5-10%

Treatment duration may be shorten for a proportion of patients

Discontinuation rates may increase due to AEs

A new era in HCV therapy starts