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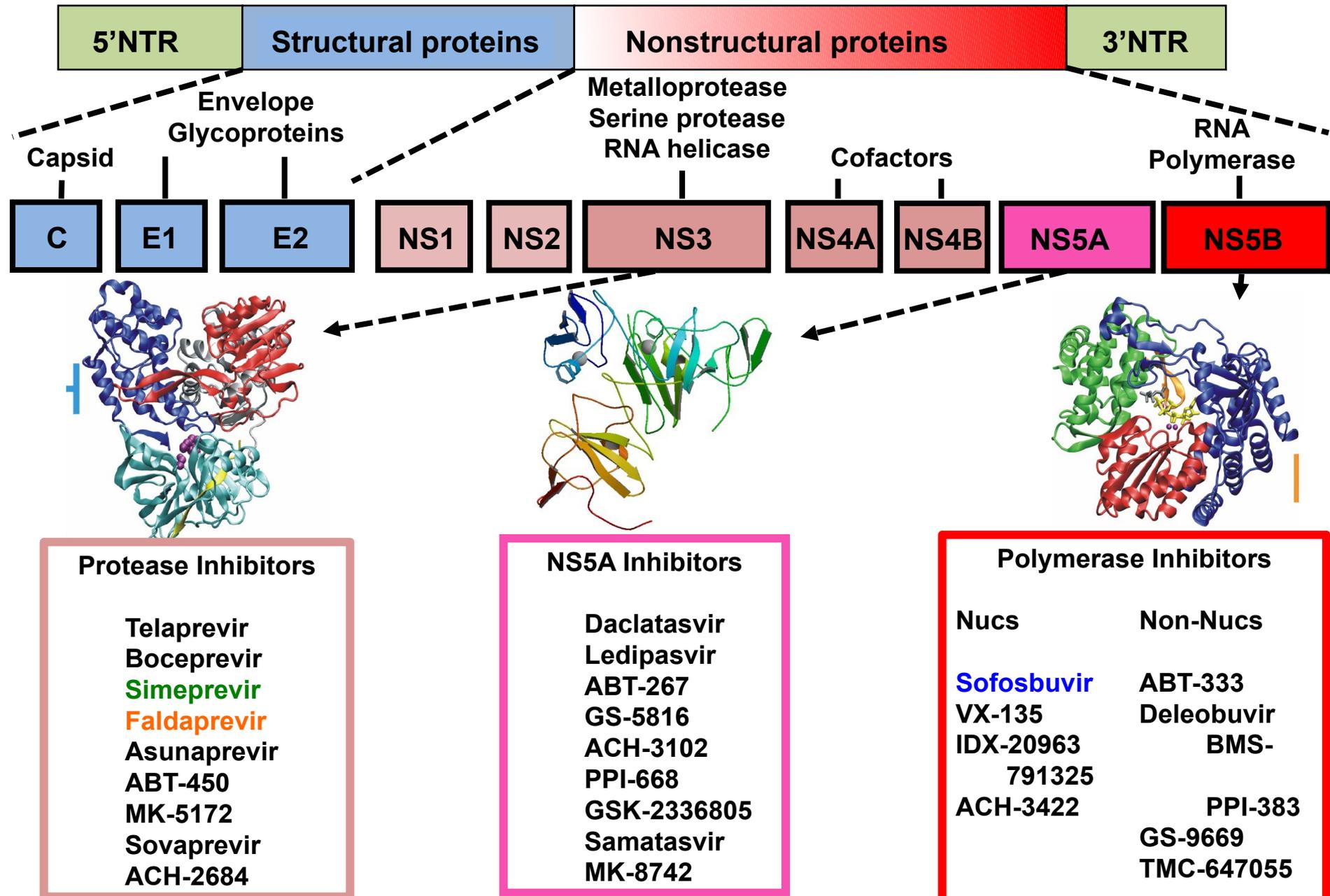
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# Direct-acting antivirals



# Investigational HCV Regimens in Phase III Trials in 2014

## Triple Therapy: 1 DAA + PegIFN alfa/RBV

- Simeprevir (PI)
- Faldaprevir (PI)
- Sofosbuvir (NI)
- Daclatasvir (NS5A)
- MK 5172 (PI)
- Danoprevir (PI)
- Alisporivir (CYP)

## IFN-Free Regimens

- Sofosbuvir + RBV
- Sofosbuvir + GS-5885 (FDC) ± RBV
- Daclatasvir + asunaprevir
- ABT-450/RTV + ABT-267 ± ABT-333 ± RBV
- Faldaprevir + BI207127 + RBV
- MK 5172 + MK 8742

# General Characteristics of Direct-Acting Antivirals

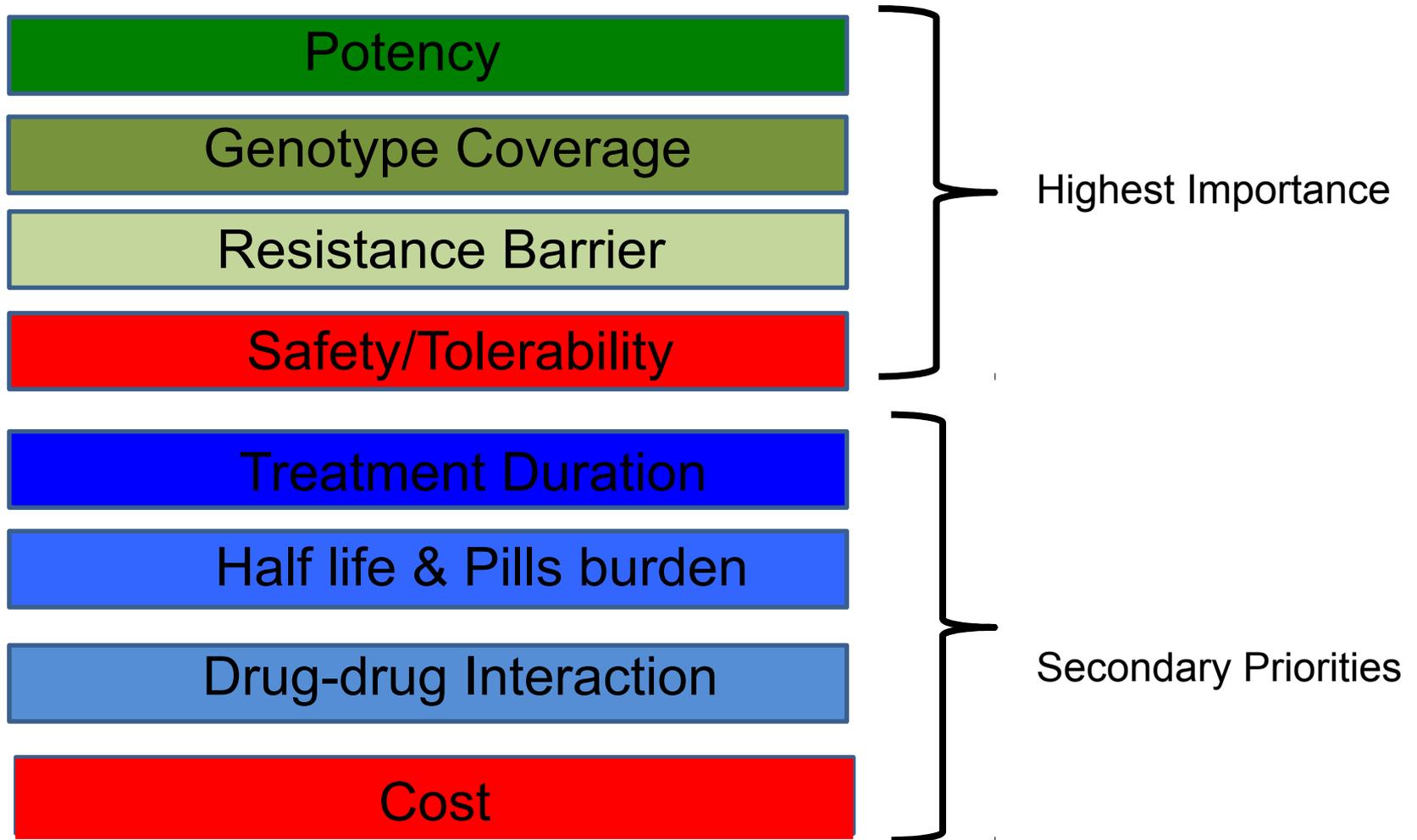
	PI, 1st Generation	PI, 2nd Generation	NS5A Inhibitors, 1st Generation	NS5A Inhibitors, 2nd Generation	NS5B Nucleoside Inhibitors	NS5B Non Nucleoside Inhibitors
Efficacy	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow
Resistance Profile	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Red
Pangenotypic Efficacy	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Red
Adverse events	Red	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	Yellow
Drug-drug interactions	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Yellow

● Good profile

● Average profile

● Least favorable profile

# Priorities for Direct-Acting Antivirals



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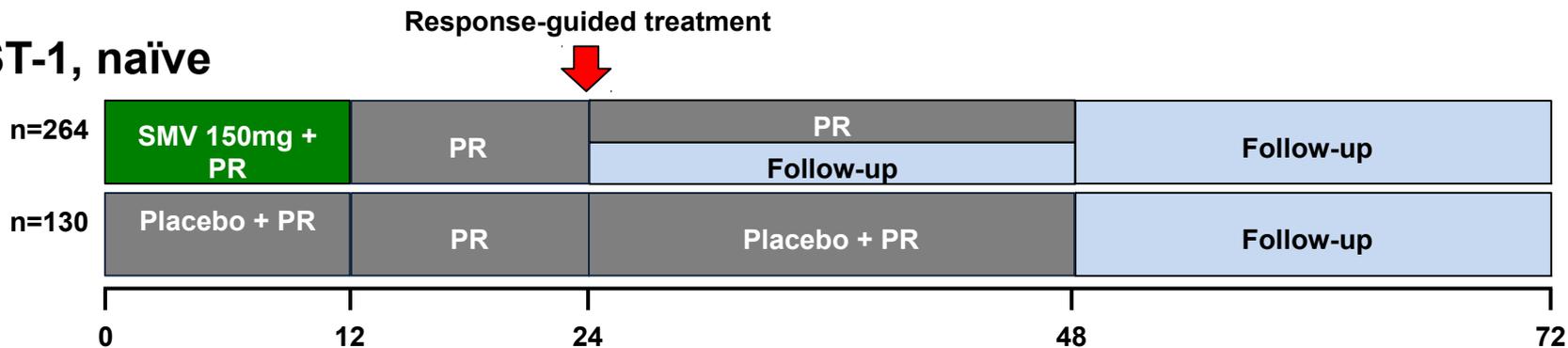
## *Polymerase inhibitor*

- **Sofosbuvir** (Neutrino)

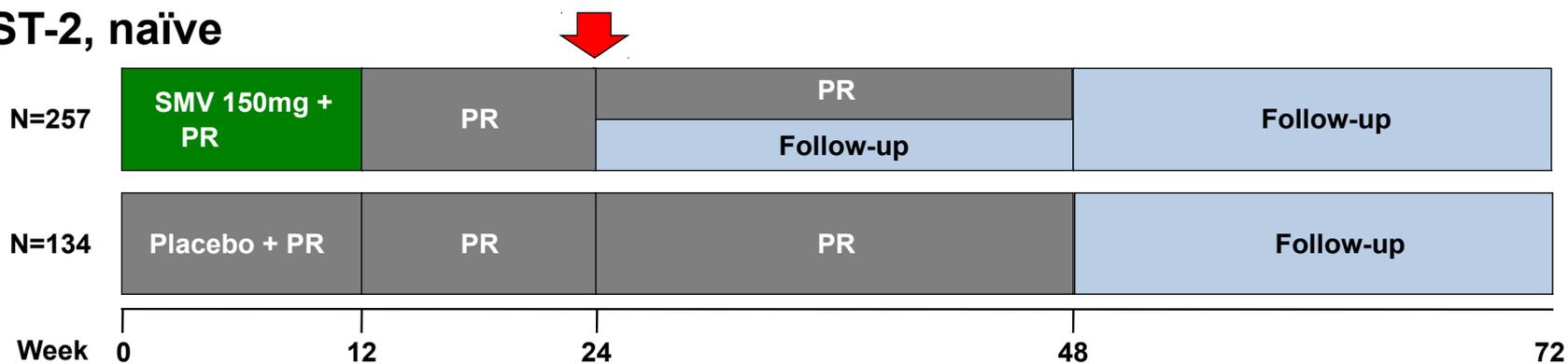
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# Simeprevir (SMV) (PI): G1, phase III trial design

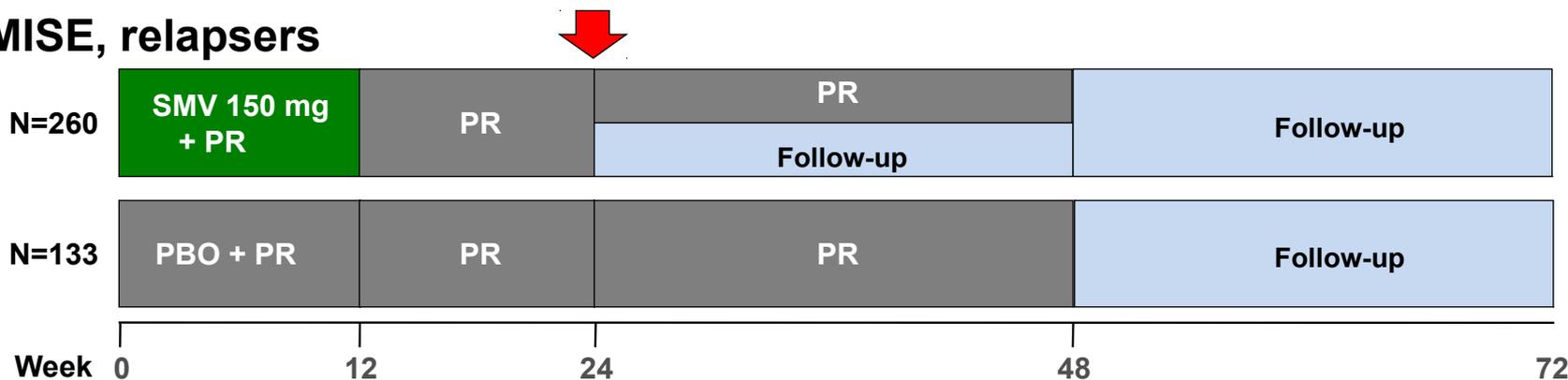
## QUEST-1, naïve



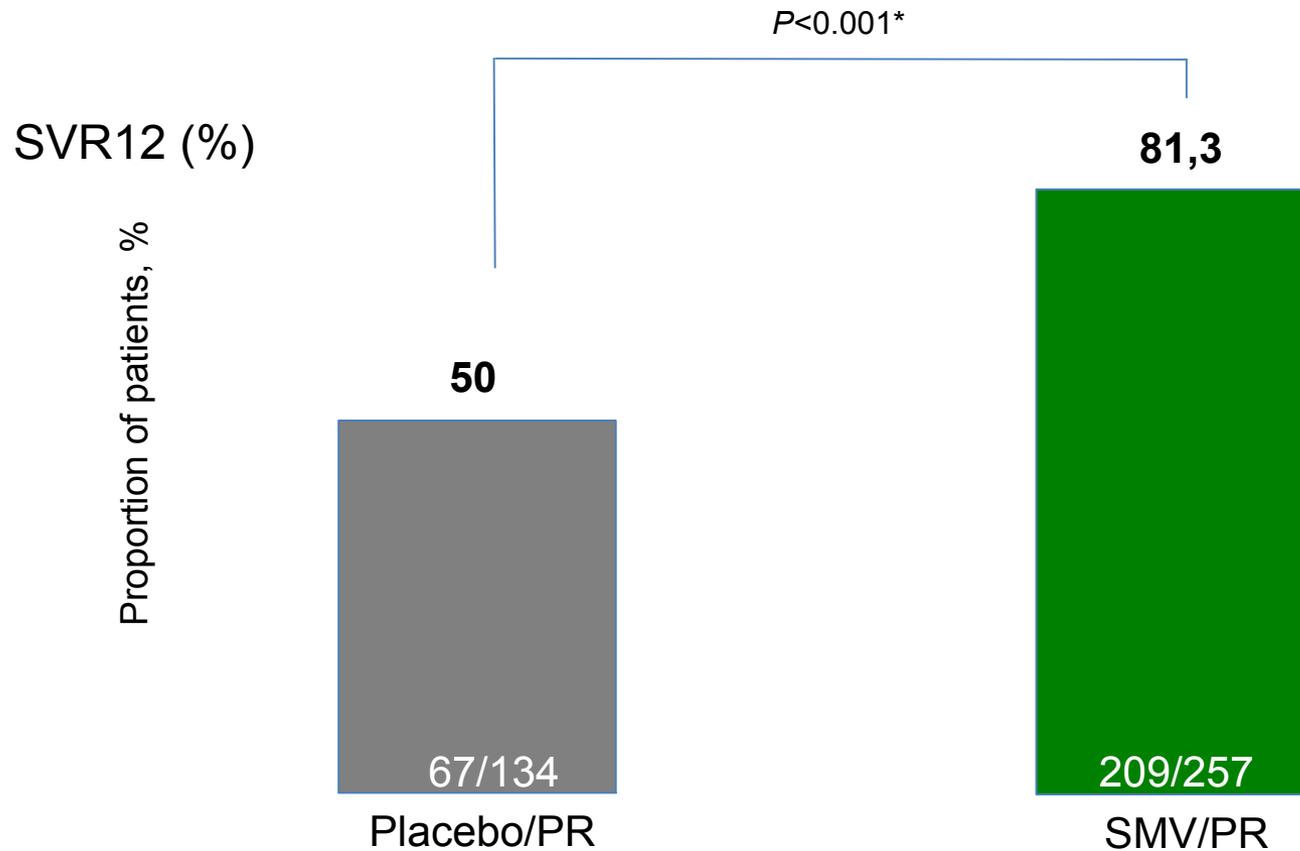
## QUEST-2, naïve



## PROMISE, relapsers



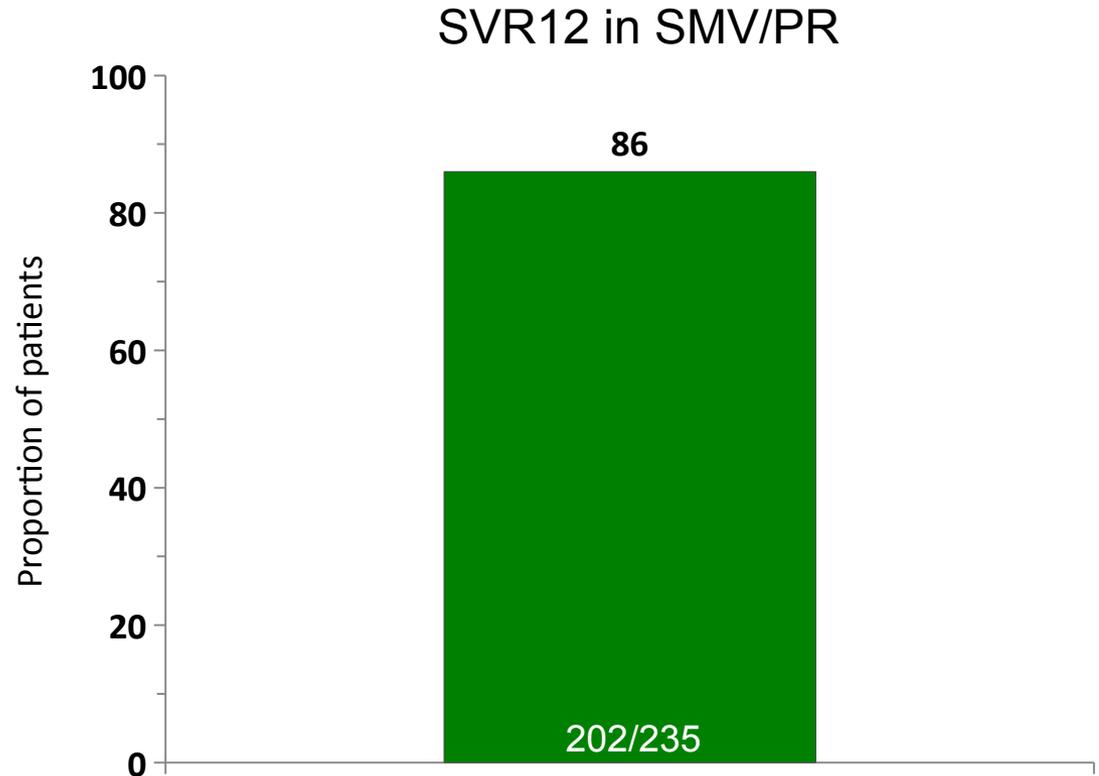
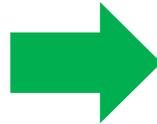
# Simeprevir (SMV) (PI): G1 naïve, phase III (QUEST-2)



\*Based on the Cochran-Mantel-Haensze test controlling for type of PegIFN/ribavirin and stratification factors

# QUEST-2: Response-guided Treatment (RGT) allows shortened treatment duration with high SVR12

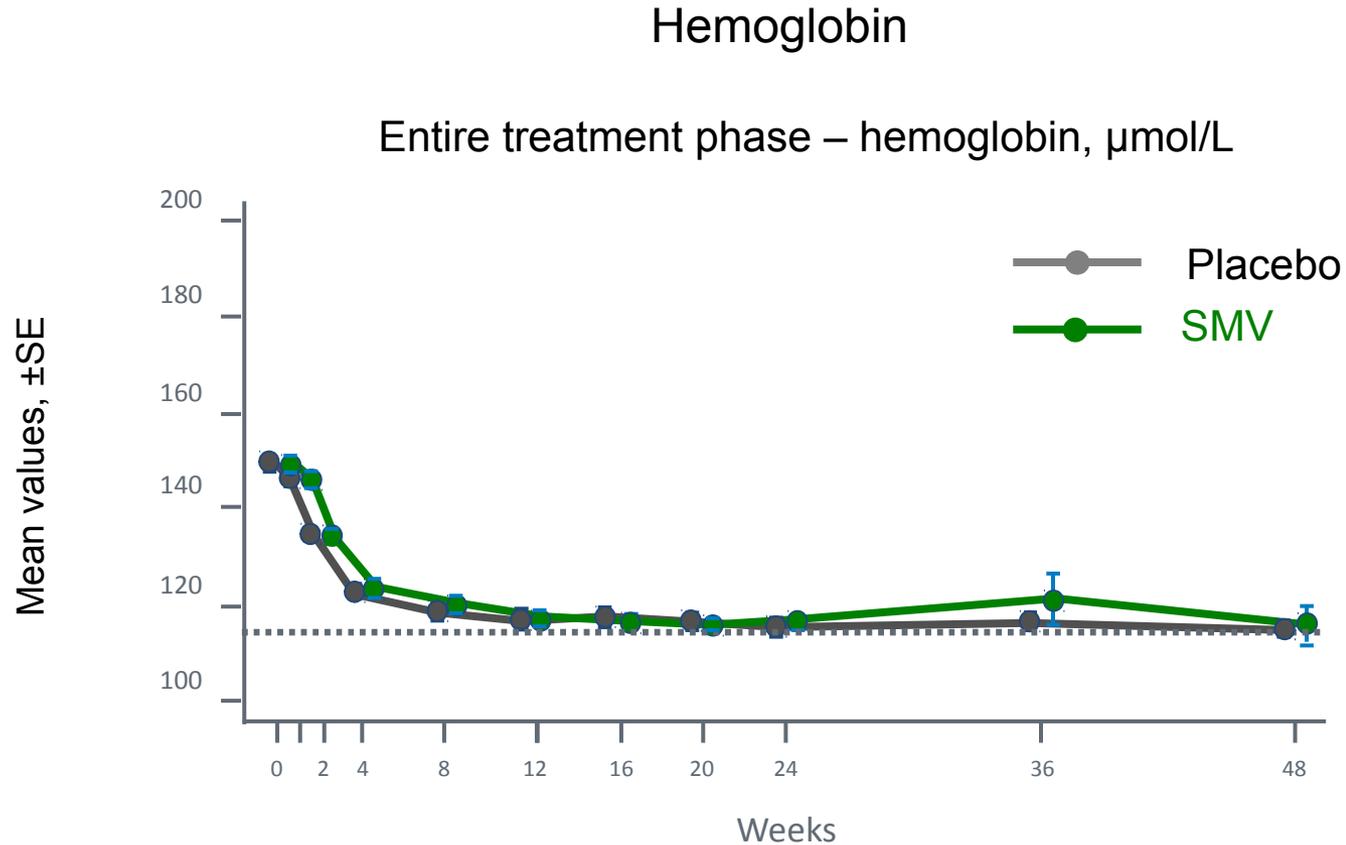
91.4% (235/257)  
of patients met  
RGT criteria and  
were eligible for  
24 weeks of  
treatment



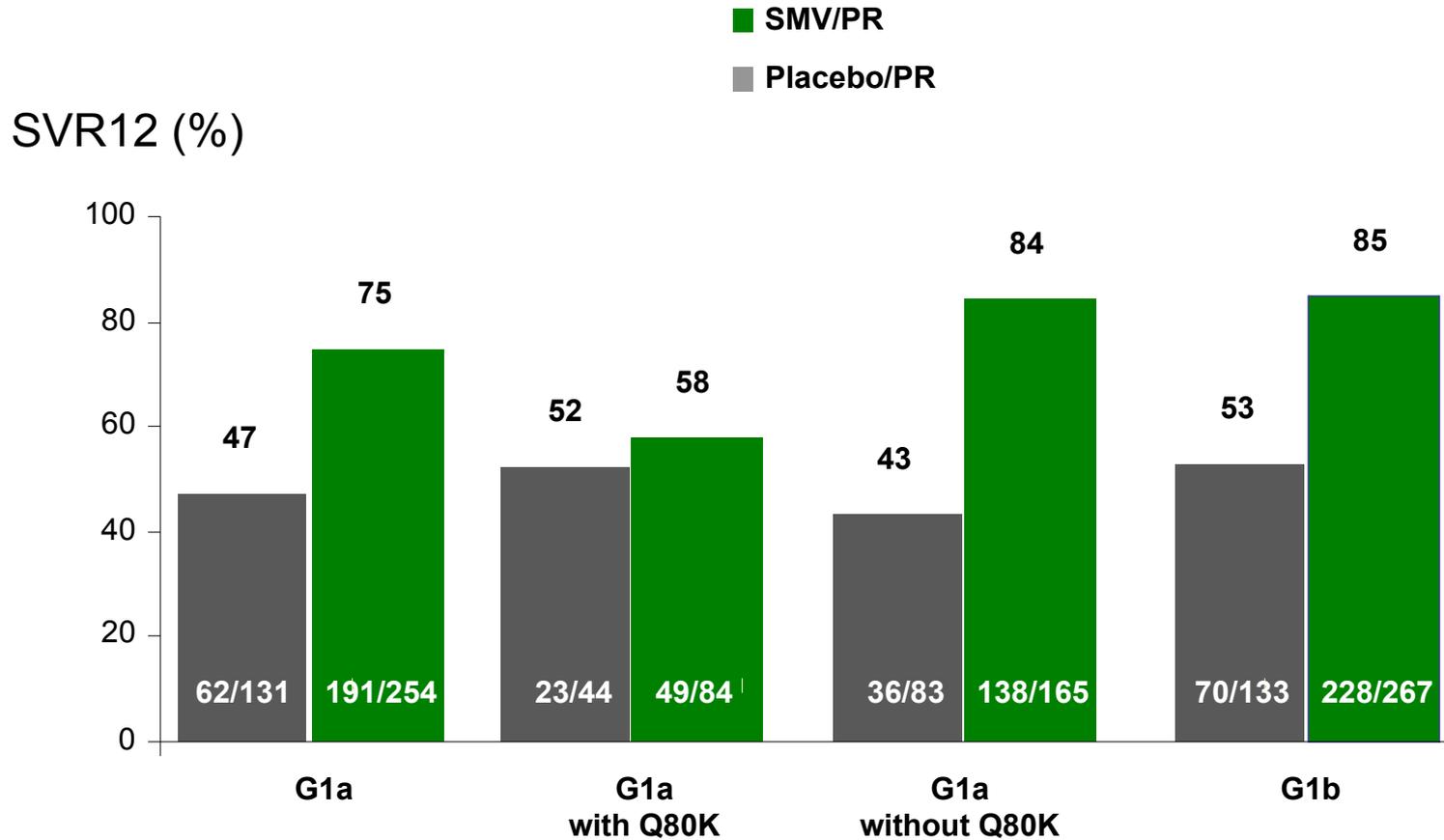
- 8.6% (22/257) of patients did not meet RGT criteria – among them, 31.8% (7/22) achieved SVR12

RGT, response-guided therapy; RGT criteria: HCV RNA < 25 IU/mL detectable or undetectable at Week 4 and <25 IU/mL undetectable at Week 12

# Quest-2: Changes in haemoglobin



# Simeprevir (SMV) (PI): G1 relapsers (Promise)



# Simeprevir: adverse events (phase III trials)

	QUEST-1		QUEST-2		PROMISE	
	Placebo + PR, % (N = 130)	SMV + PR, % (N = 264)	Placebo + PR, % (N = 134)	SMV + PR, % (N = 257)	Placebo + PR, % (N = 130)	SMV + PR, % (N = 264)
Serious AEs	4	3	2	2	4	3
Discontinuation due to AEs	3	3	1	2	3	3
Fatigue	38	40	39	35		
Pruritus	11	21	15	19	28	28
Rash (any type)	25	27	11	24	23	23
Anaemia	11	16	14	16	20	17

*Jacobson et al. DDW 2013, Abstract 1674582.*

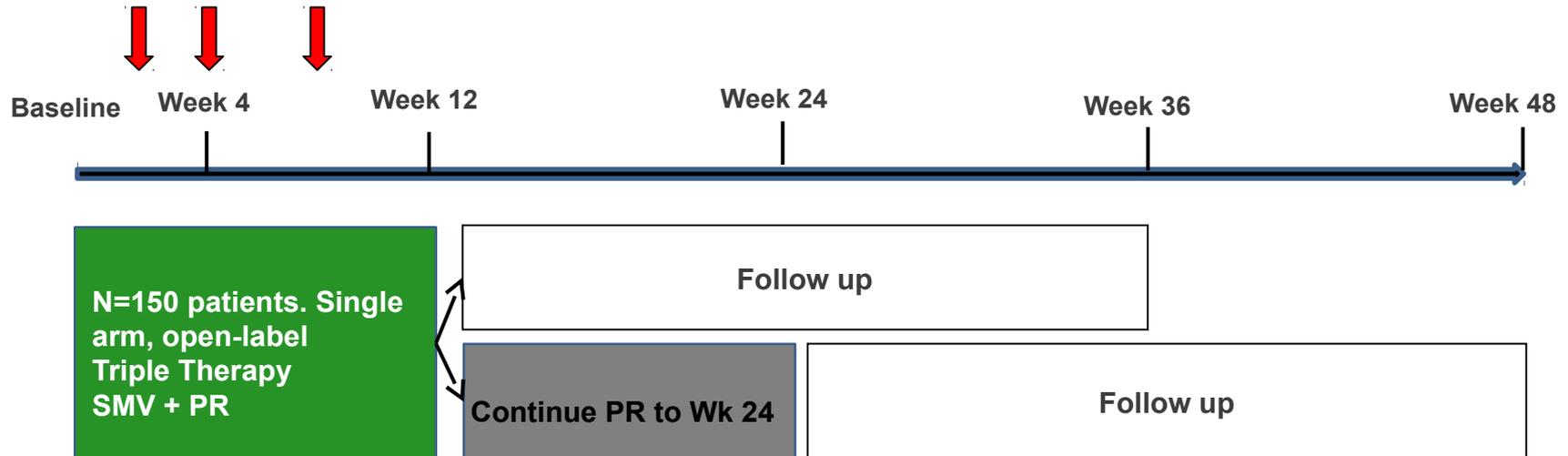
*Manns et al. EASL 2013, Abstract 1413.*

*Lawitz et al. DDW 2013, Abstract 869b.*

# Simeprevir (PI): 12 weeks phase III trial (G1 naïve)

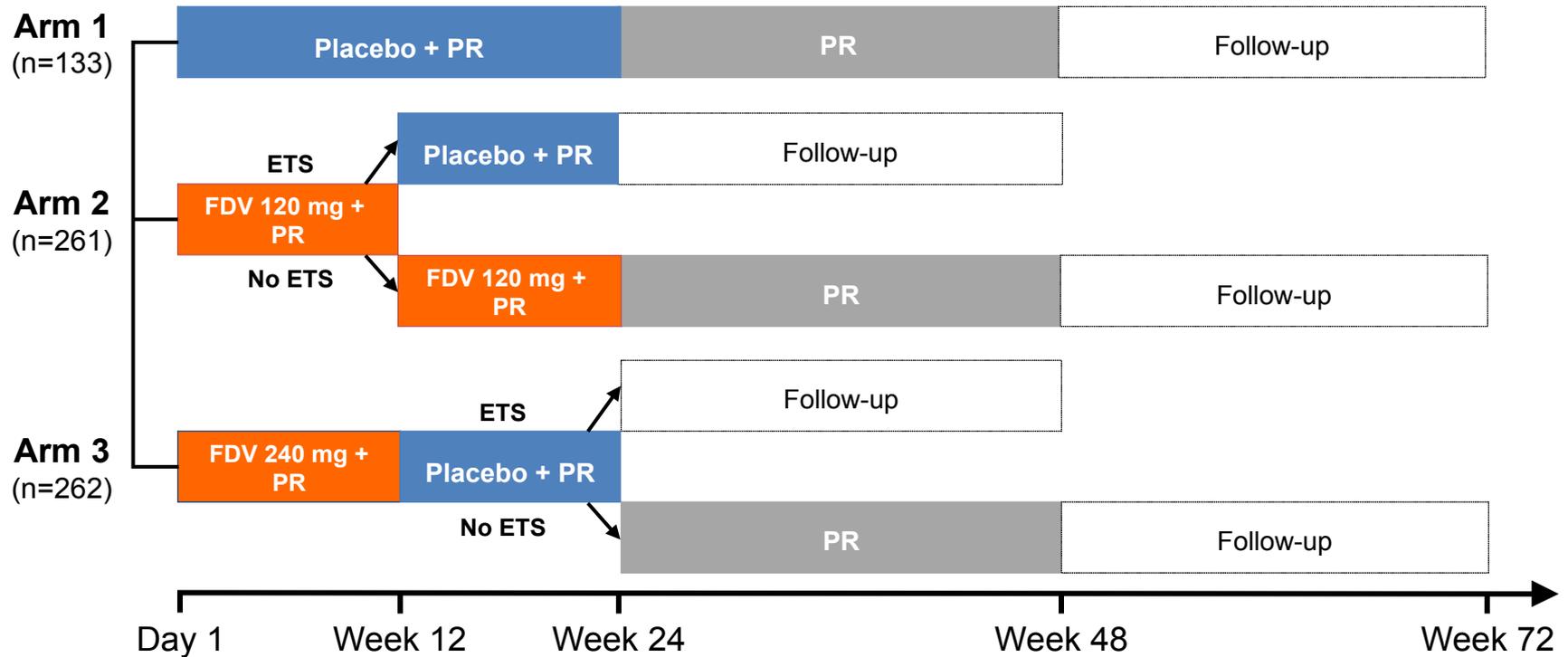
Ongoing trial

Response-guided therapy of 12 or 24 weeks guided by HCV-RNA measurements at treatment weeks 2, 4, and 8.

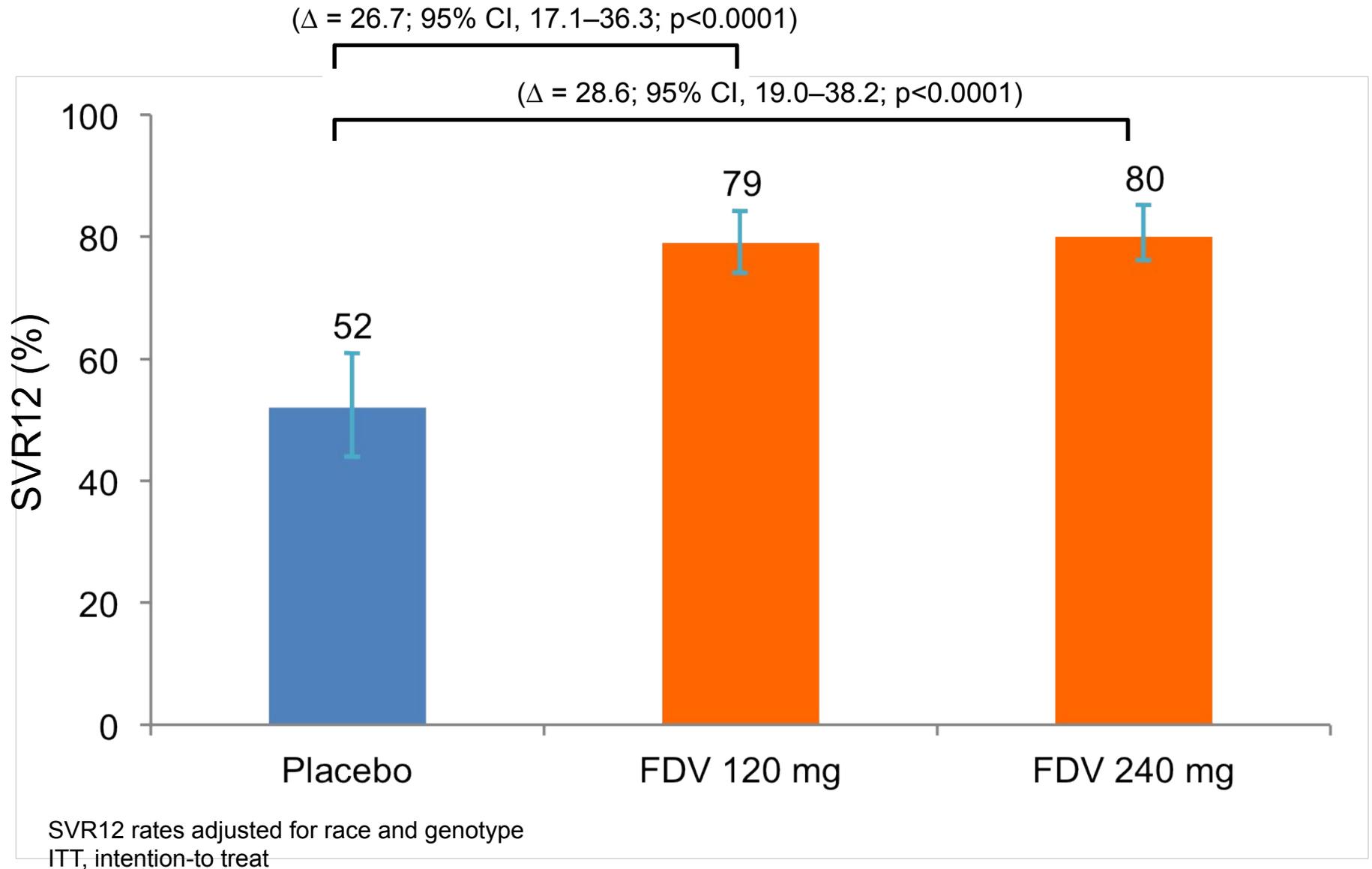


PR: PegIFN $\alpha$ -2a 180 ug/wk + RBV 1000-1200mg/day

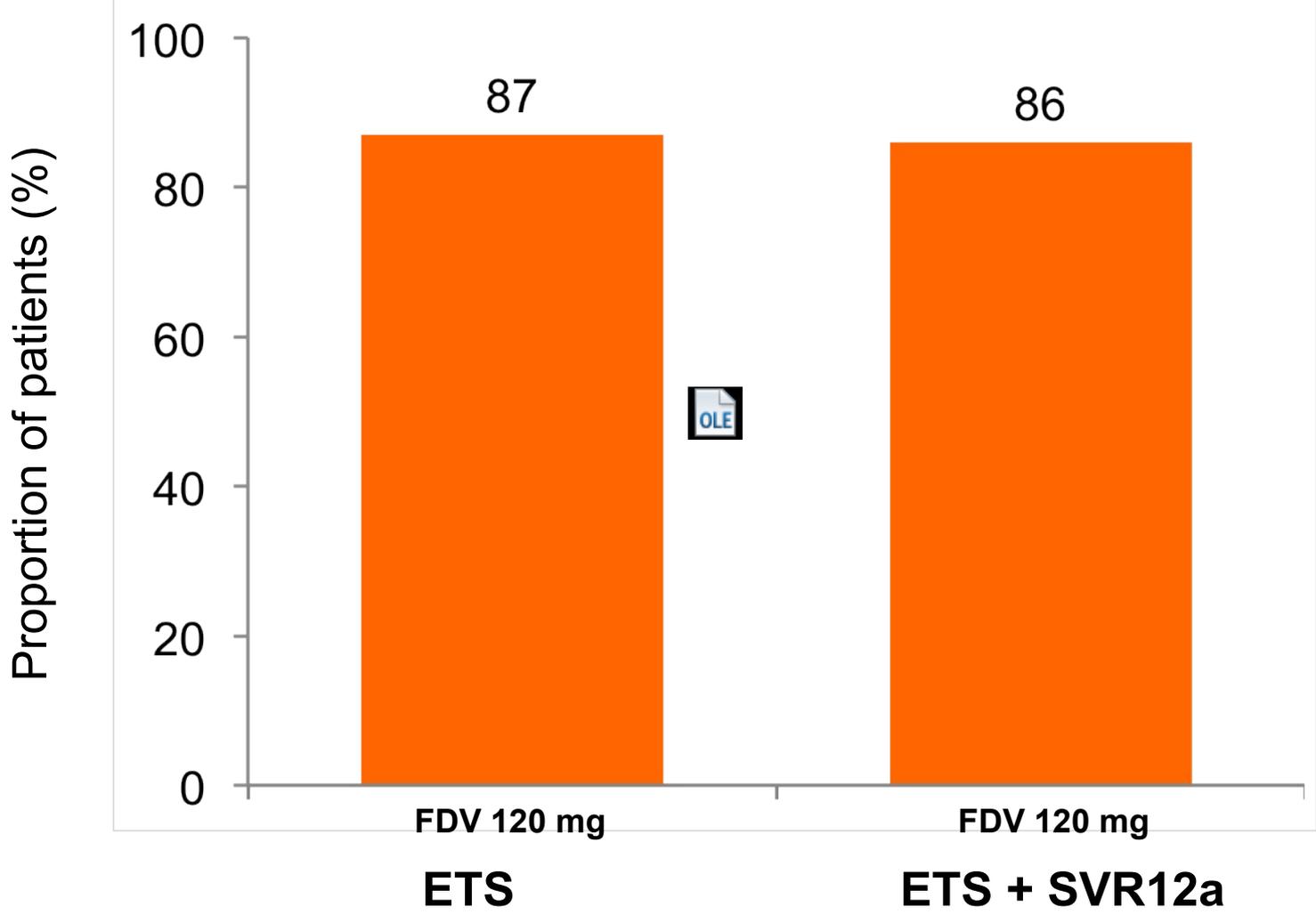
# Faldaprevir (FDV) (PI): phase III trial, G1 naïve (StartVerso1)



# Faldaprevir (FDV) (PI): G1 naïve, results (StartVerso1)

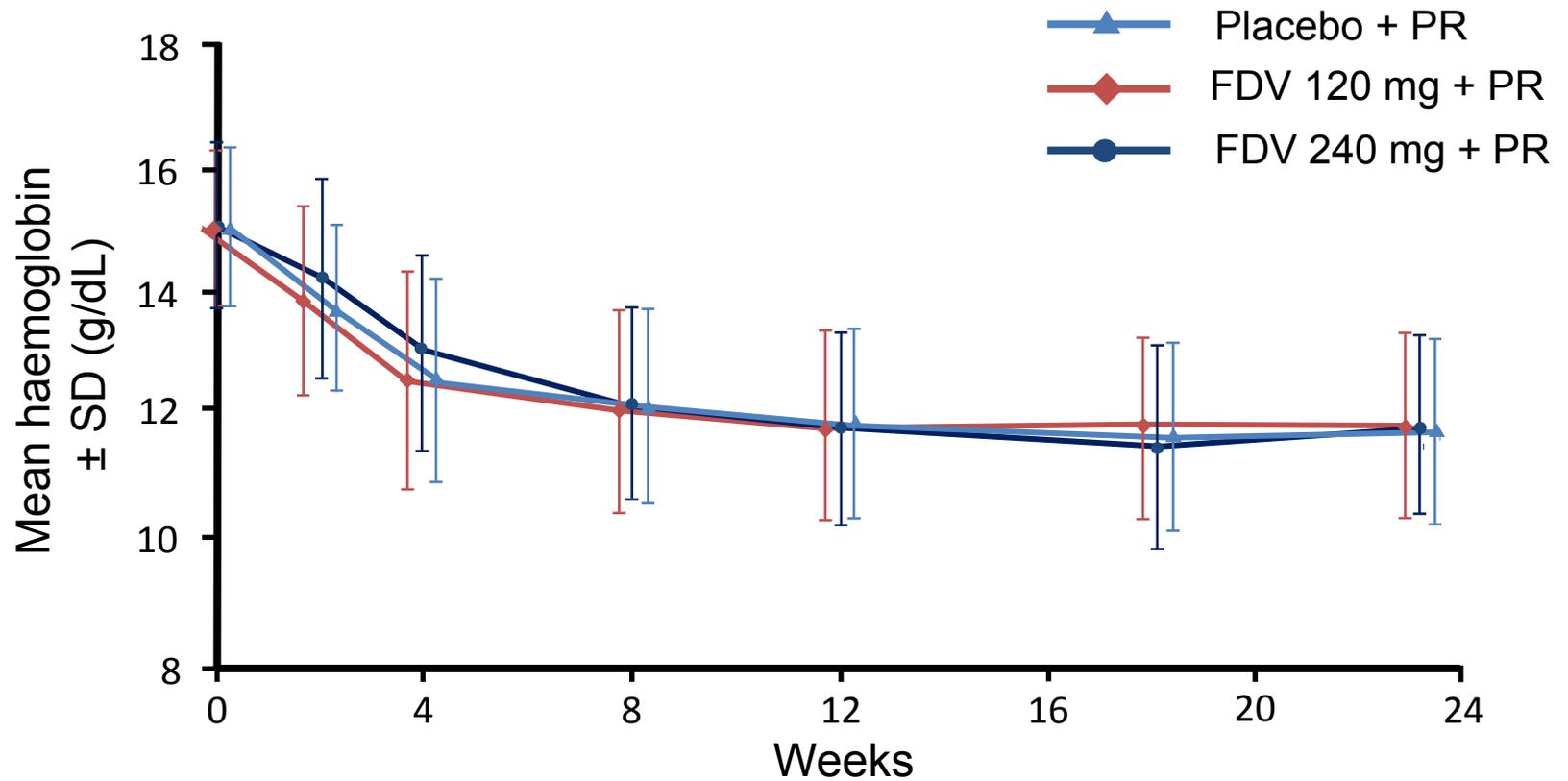


# Faldaprevir (FDV): Early treatment success (ETS) allows shortened treatment duration with high SVR12



ETS, early treatment success: HCV RNA <25 IU/mL (detected or undetected) at Week 4 and <25 IU/mL (undetected) at Week 8. aDenominator = patients with ETS

# Changes in haemoglobin



# Faldaprevir: adverse events (phase III trial results)

	Placebo + PR N=264	FDV 120 mg + PR N=521	FDV 240 mg + PR N=524
AEs leading to discontinuation of all medication, n (%)	10 (4)	27 (5)	40 (8)
AEs leading to discontinuation of FDV or placebo only, n (%)	1 (<1)	6 (1)	14 (3)
Serious AEs, n (%)	16 (6)	39 (7)	43 (8)
AEs of at least moderate intensity (any) <sup>a</sup> , n (%)	156 (59)	302 (58)	332 (63)
Rash	11 (4)	39 (7)	50 (10)
Photosensitivity	0 (0)	0 (0)	3 (1)
GI	19 (7)	58 (11)	96 (18)
Anemia	38 (14)	73 (14)	70 (13)
Bilirubin associated	2 (1)	18 (3)	47 (9)

One patient with cirrhosis at baseline developed acute-on-chronic liver failure after 16 days of FDV (240 mg) and PR, discontinued all treatment and died 12 days later. The event was considered not related to FDV but to pegylated interferon by investigator.

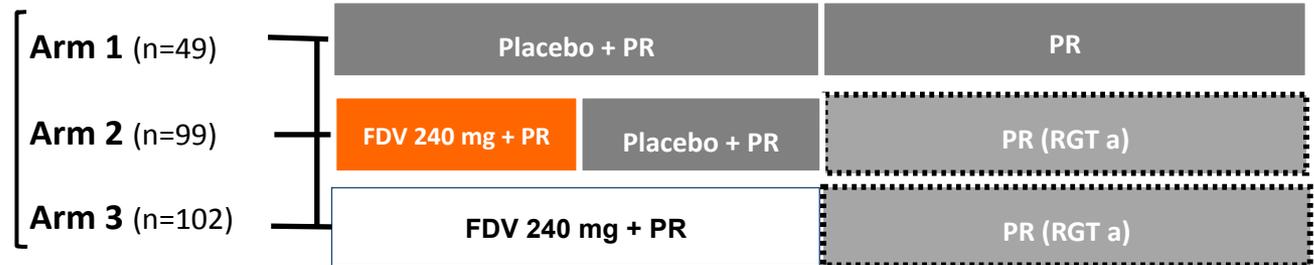
<sup>a</sup>DAIDS Grade 2 to 4; protocol-defined AEs of special interest.

DAIDS, Division of AIDS table for grading the severity of adult and pediatric adverse events; DC, discontinuation; GI, gastrointestinal.

# Faldaprevir (PI): phase III trial design, G1 experienced (StartVerso3)

## Prior relapse

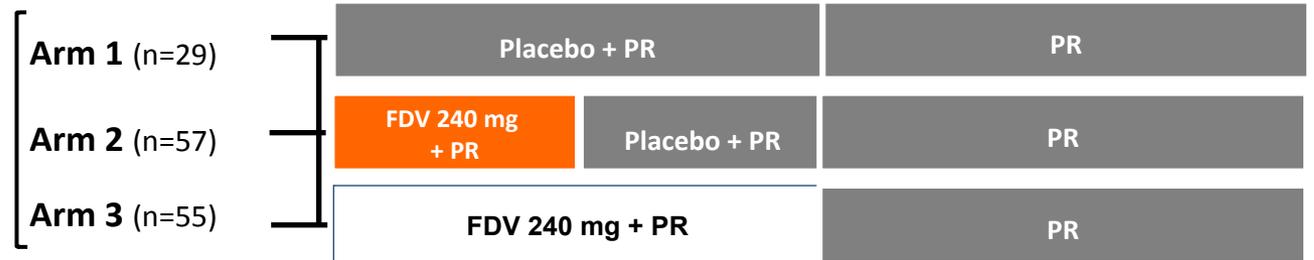
**Relapser:** Rebound from HCV RNA undetectable at end of 48 week treatment but detectable within 24 weeks of follow-up



## Prior partial response

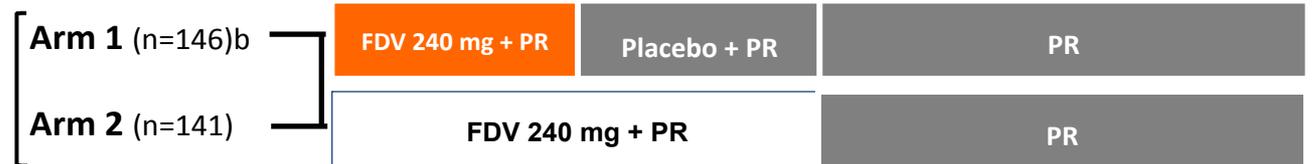
**Partial responder:** HCV RNA drop by  $\geq 2 \log_{10}$  from baseline to week 12, but never undetectable

**Breakthrough:** HCV RNA undetectable during treatment, but rebound to detected during ongoing treatment



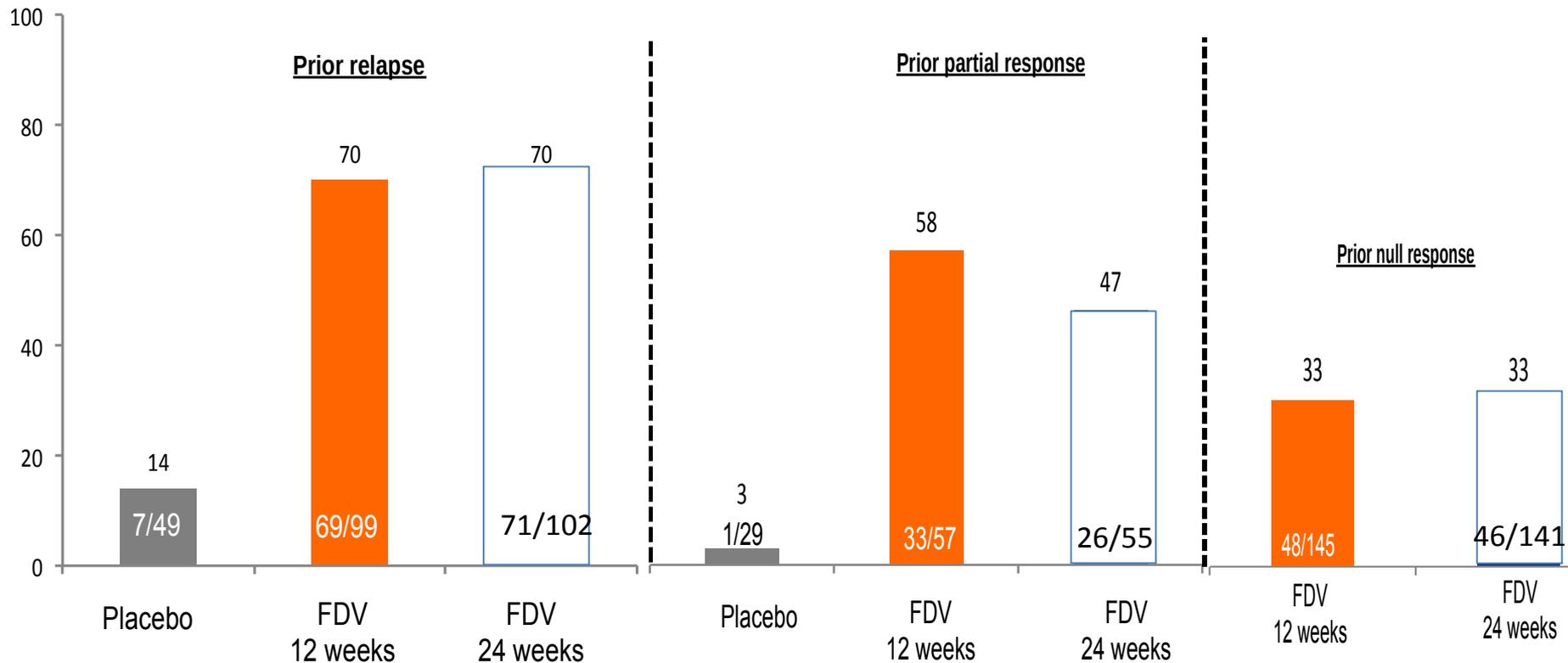
## Prior null response

**Null responder:** Absence of HCV RNA drop by  $\geq 2 \log_{10}$  from baseline to week 12



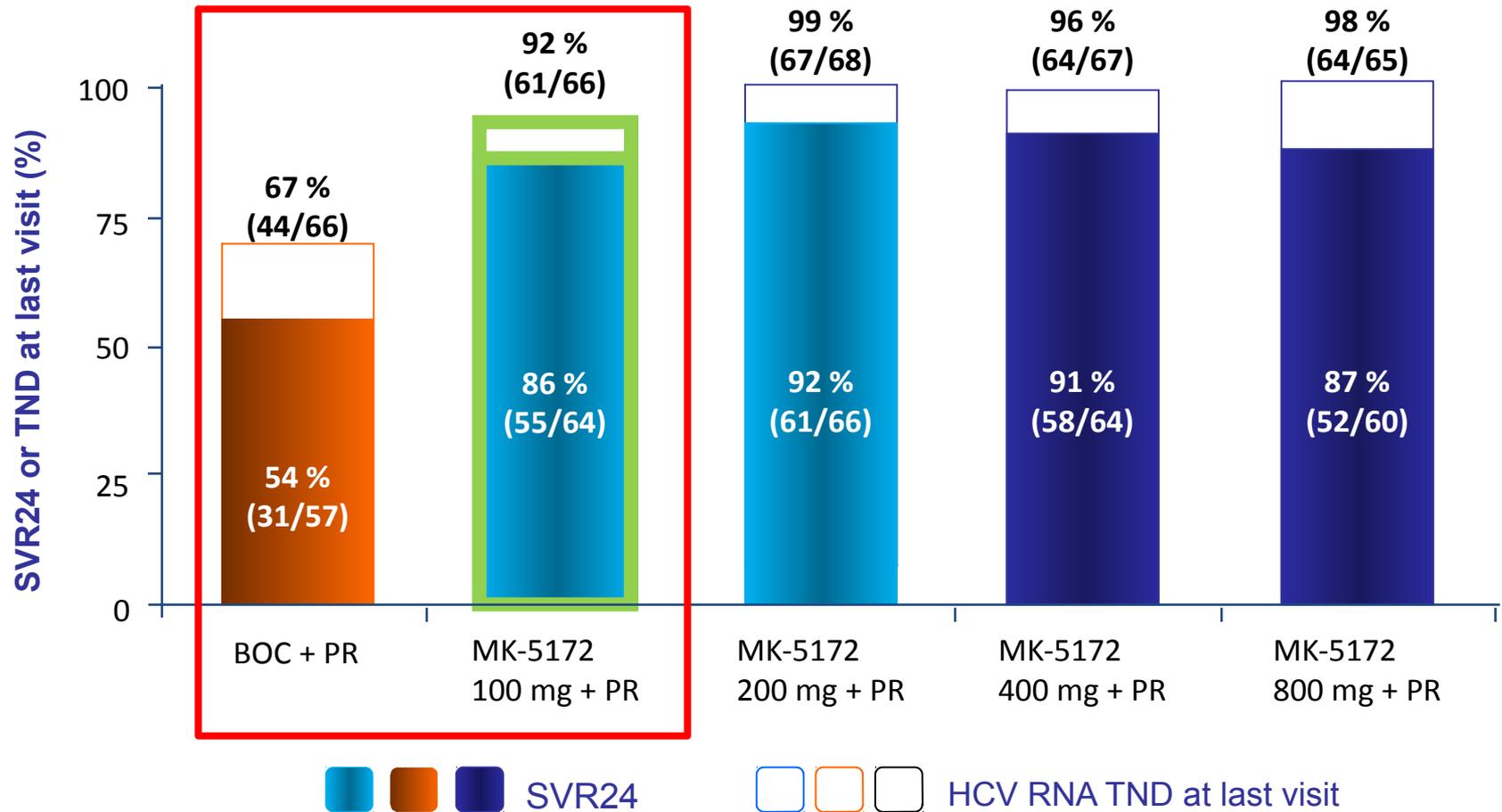
<sup>a</sup>Stopping rule for RGT criteria: all relapsers, who did not achieve ETS (HCV RNA <25 IU/mL (detected or undetected) at week 4 and <25 IU/mL (undetected) at week 8, had extended PR treatment to week 48; <sup>b</sup>N=146 patients randomized, but N=145 patients treated. PR, pegylated interferon  $\alpha$ -2a/ribavirin; QD, once daily; RGT, response-guided therapy.

# Faldaprevir (FDV) (PI): SVR12, G1 experienced (StartVerso3)

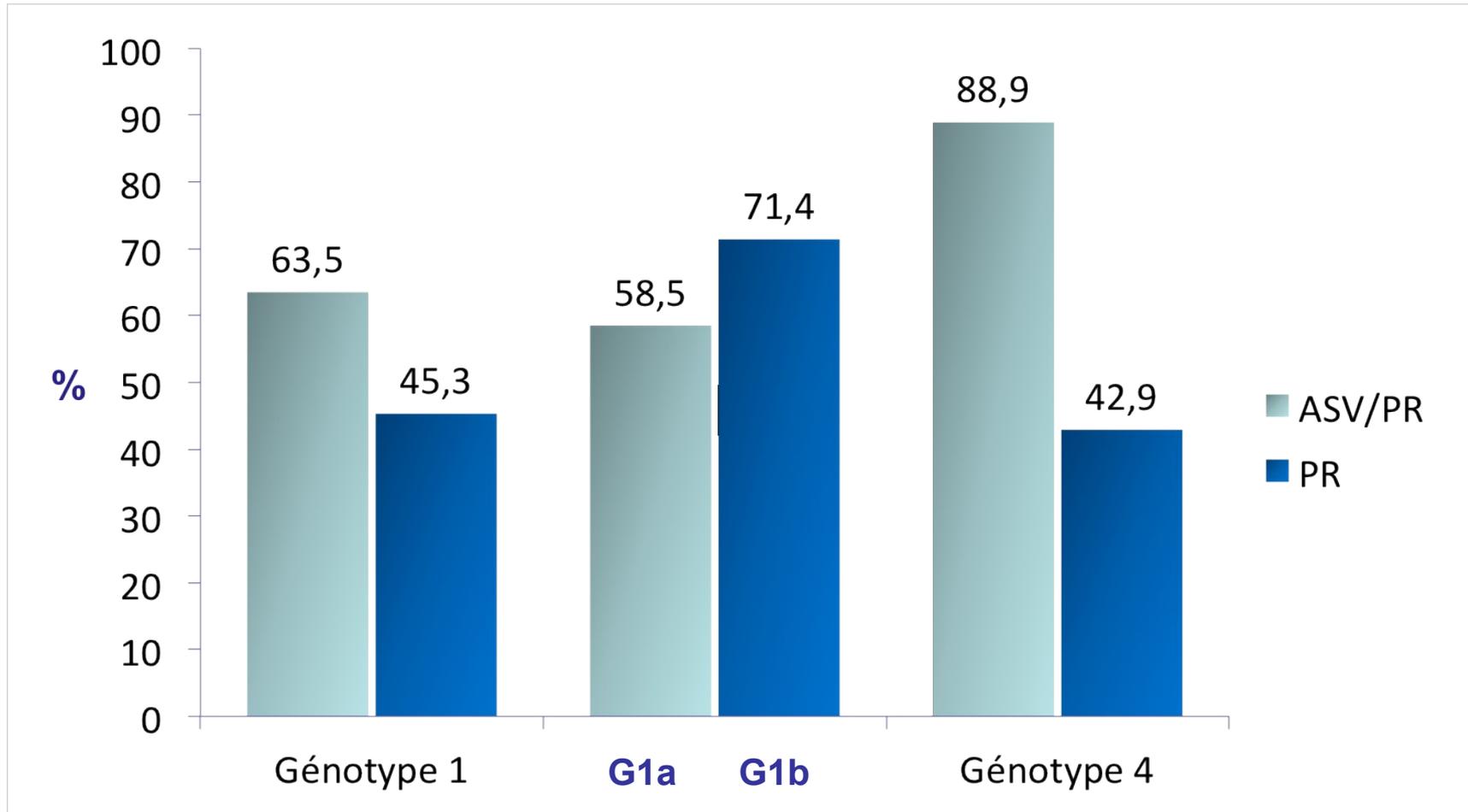


# MK-5172 (PI) plus PEG-IFN/RBV: G1 naïve non-cirrhotic

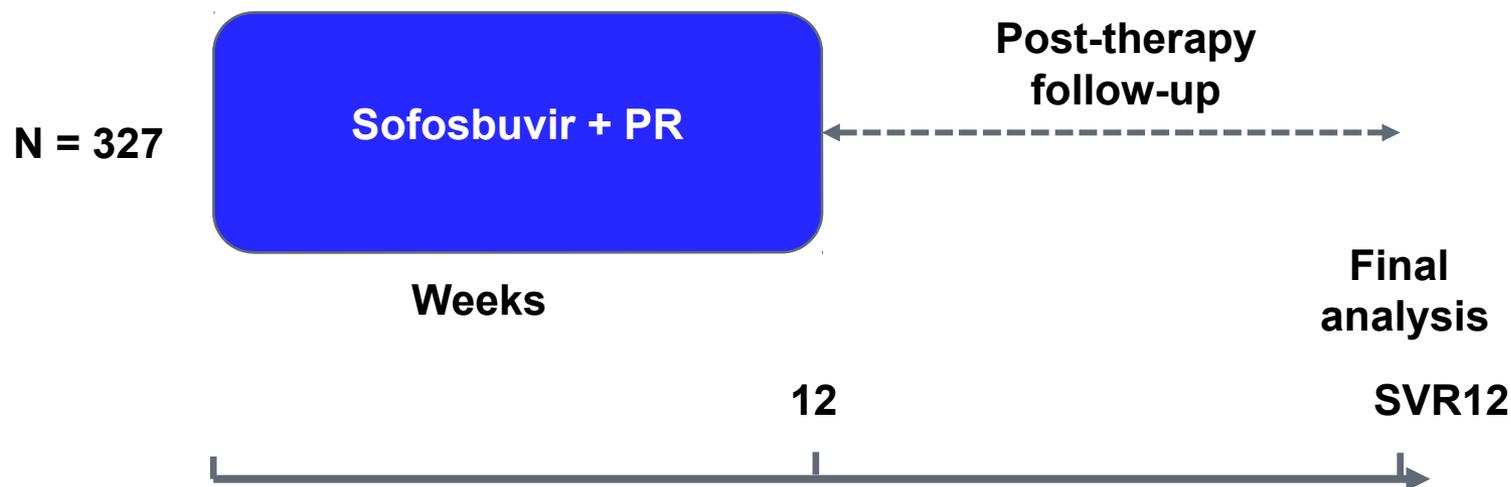
SVR24 and HCV-RNA TND at Last Visit\*



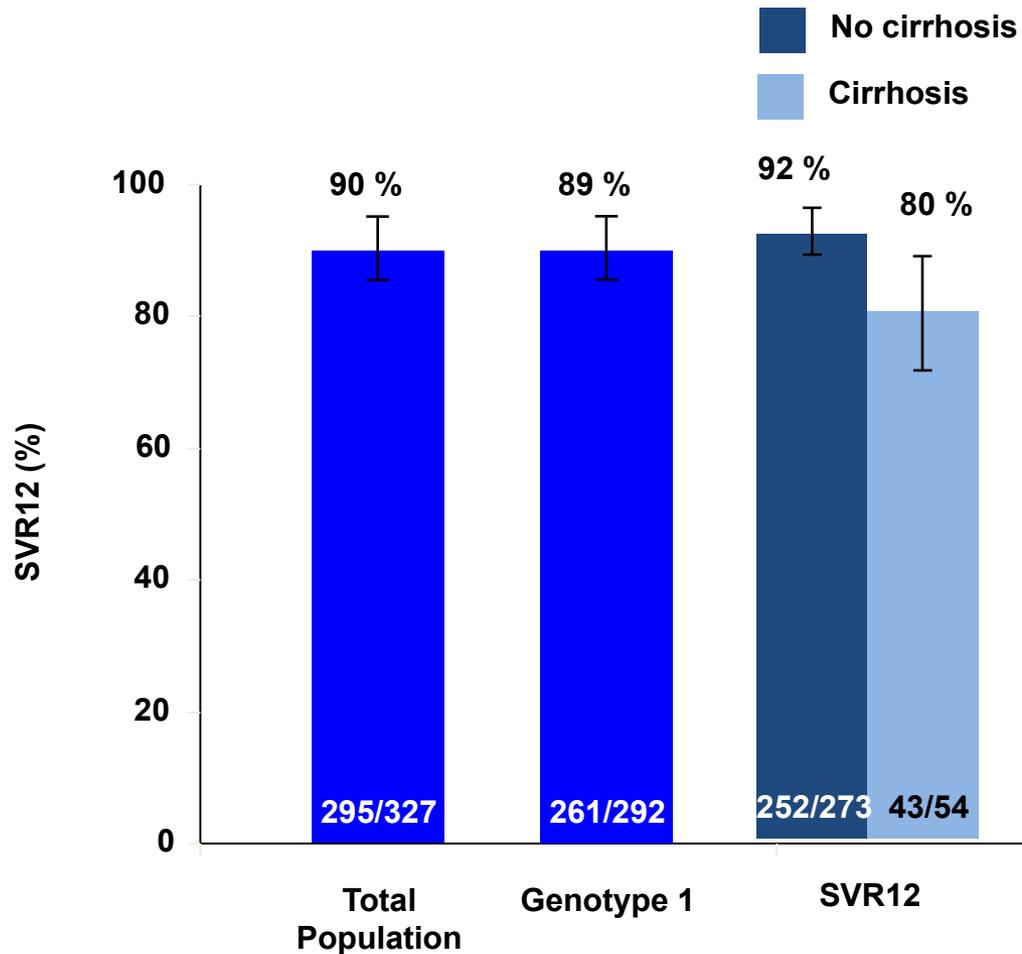
# Asunaprevir (PI) plus PEG-IFN/RBV: G1 naïve



# Sofosbuvir (NI): phase III trial design; G1 naïve (Neutrino)



# Sofosbuvir (NI): SVR12, G1 naïve, phase III trial (Neutrino)



# Sofosbuvir : side effects (Neutrino)

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	<b>Sofosbuvir + PR, % (N = 327)</b>
<b>SAEs</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Discontinuations due to AEs</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Fatigue</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Anaemia</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Rash (any)</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Pruritus</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Neutropenia</b>	<b>17</b>

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# Summary: 2nd wave IFN-based triple therapy for HCV G1

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DAA + PEG-IFN + RBV	N	SVR12 DAA+PR vs. PR
Simeprevir QUEST-21	391 (7% F4)	81% vs. 50%
Faldaprevir StartVerso12 (120 vs. 240 mg)	652 (17% ≥ F3)	79-80% vs. 52%
Sofosbuvir <sup>3</sup>	292 (17% F4)	89 % vs no control arm

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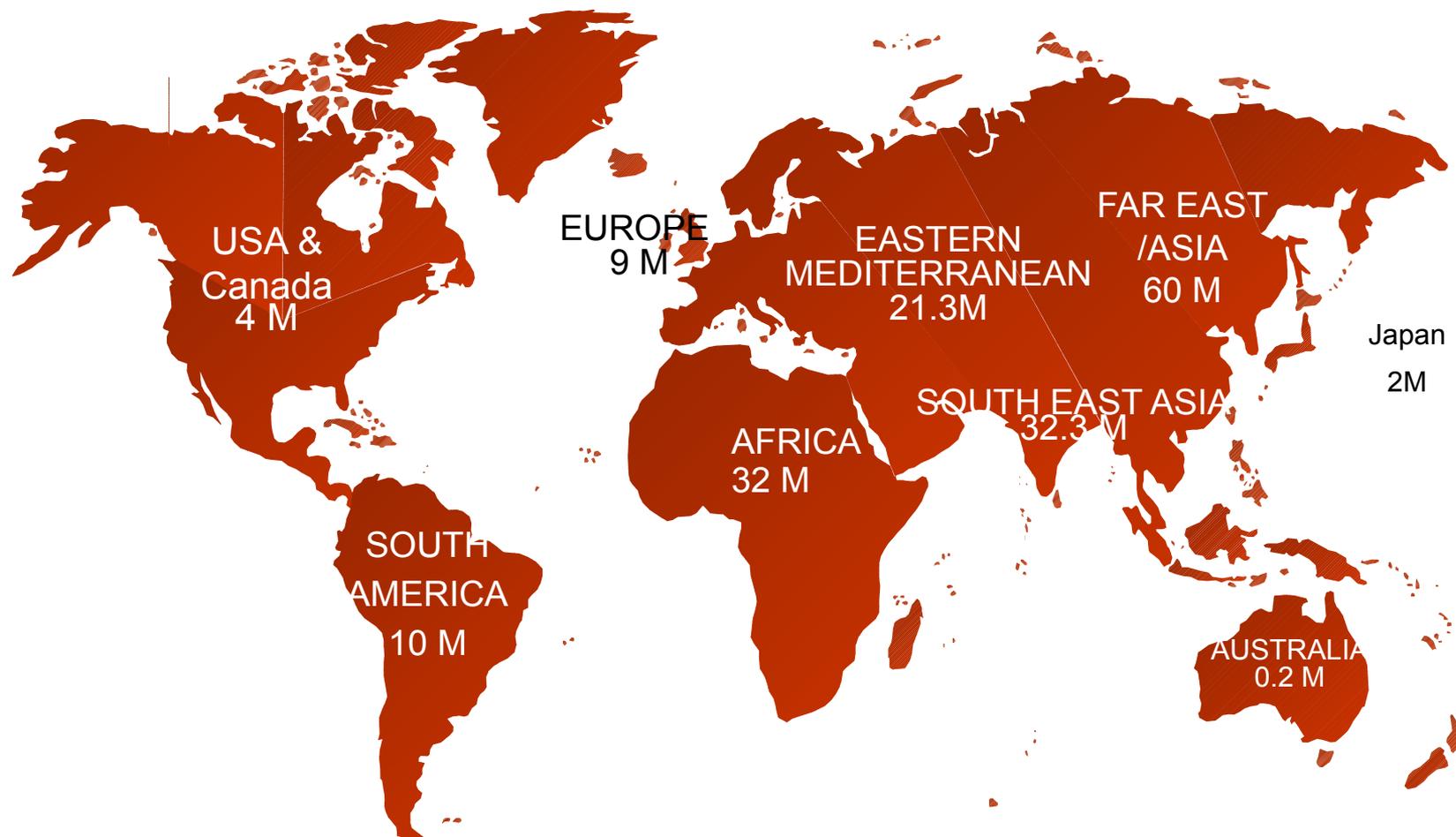
- 1Manns MP et al. Late breaker p1413 EASL 2013
- 2Ferenci P et al. Late breaker p. 1416, EASL 2013
- 3Lawitz E, et al. N Engl J Med 2013;368:1878-87.

## Summary: 2nd wave IFN-based triple therapy for HCV G1

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- The available data on second-generation IFN-based regimens is very promising due to:
  - Higher proportion of patients candidates for short treatment duration
  - Better safety profile when compared with first-generation PIs
  - Less pill burden
- However, a proportion of patients remain difficult to cure and more studies are needed in these populations. These include
  - Cirrhotic patients
  - Previous null responders
  - Failure to triple therapy
  - Patients infected with genotype 4
- Finally we need to explore cost effectiveness of DAA treatment strategies

# HCV worldwide: Limited access to new treatment options in countries with the highest HCV prevalence



**Majority of the World**  
No treatment or  
Dual | PegIFN/RBV

**170 Millions worldwide**

WHO, 1999

# Conclusion & Perspectives

## DAA + PR

Boceprevir

Telaprevir

Simeprevir

Faldaprevir

Sofosbuvir

Daclatasvir

Other DAA + PR

2014-2015

## IFN free

Sofosbuvir/ ledipasvir FDC ± RBV

ABT-450r/ABT-267 FDC + ABT-333 ±  
RBV

Faldaprevir + Deleobuvir + RBV  
G1b

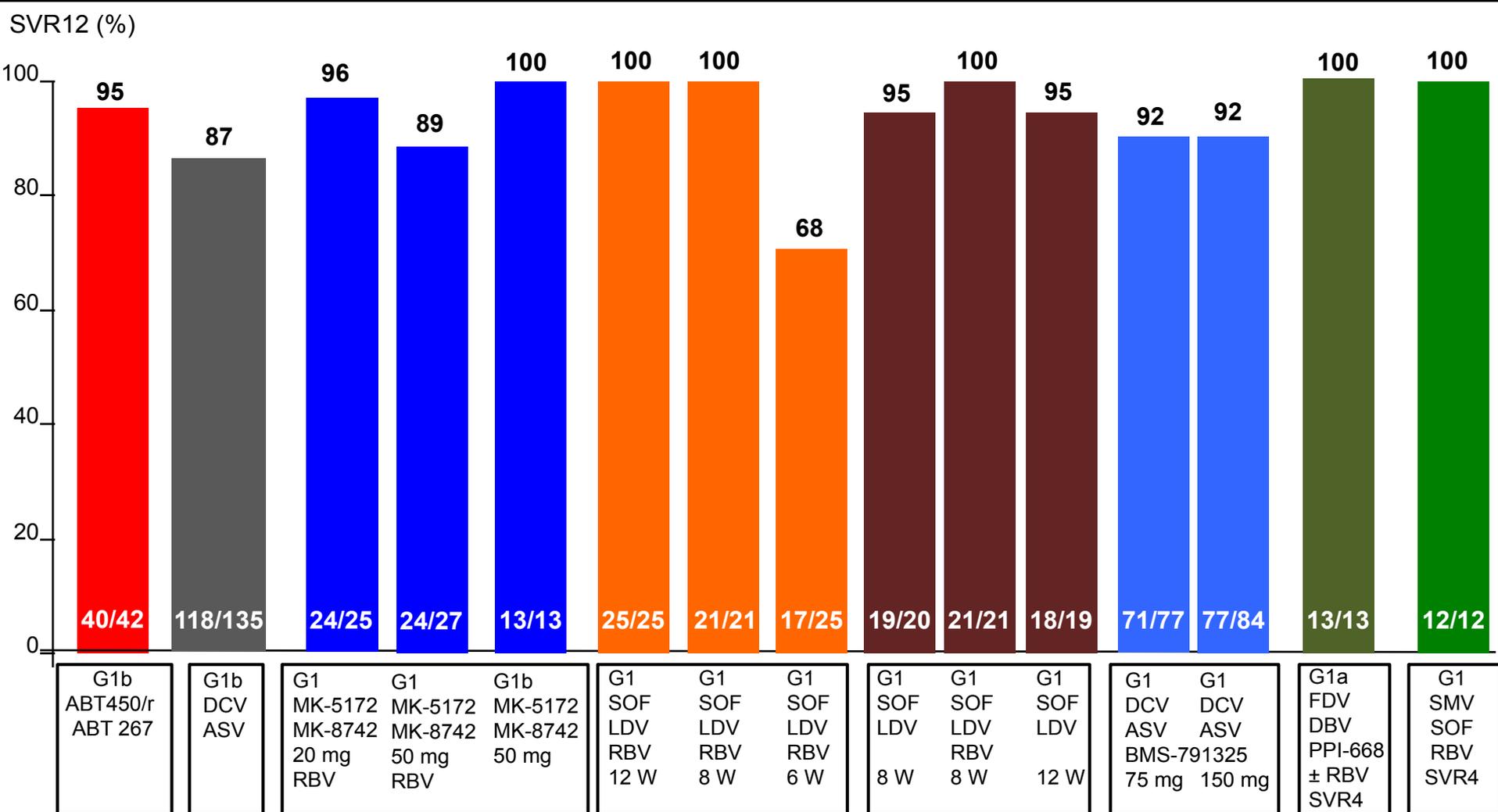
Daclastavir + asunaprevir  
G1b

Other IFN-free combinations

Off-label combinations

2015-2016

# Perspectives 1 (G1 naïves)



■ Pearl-1, ABT450/r + ABT 267; Lawitz et al. AASLD 2013, A75.

■ Daclatasvir (DCV) + asunaprevir (ASV); Chayama et al. AASLD 2013, A211.

■ C-Worthy, MK-5172/MK-8742 ± RBV; Lawitz et al. AASLD 2013, A76.

■ Electron, SOF/ledipasvir (LDV) ± RBV; Gane et al. AASLD 2013, A73

■ Lonestar : sofosbuvir (SOF)/ledipasvir (LDV) ± RBV; Lawitz et al. AASLD 2013, A215/1844.

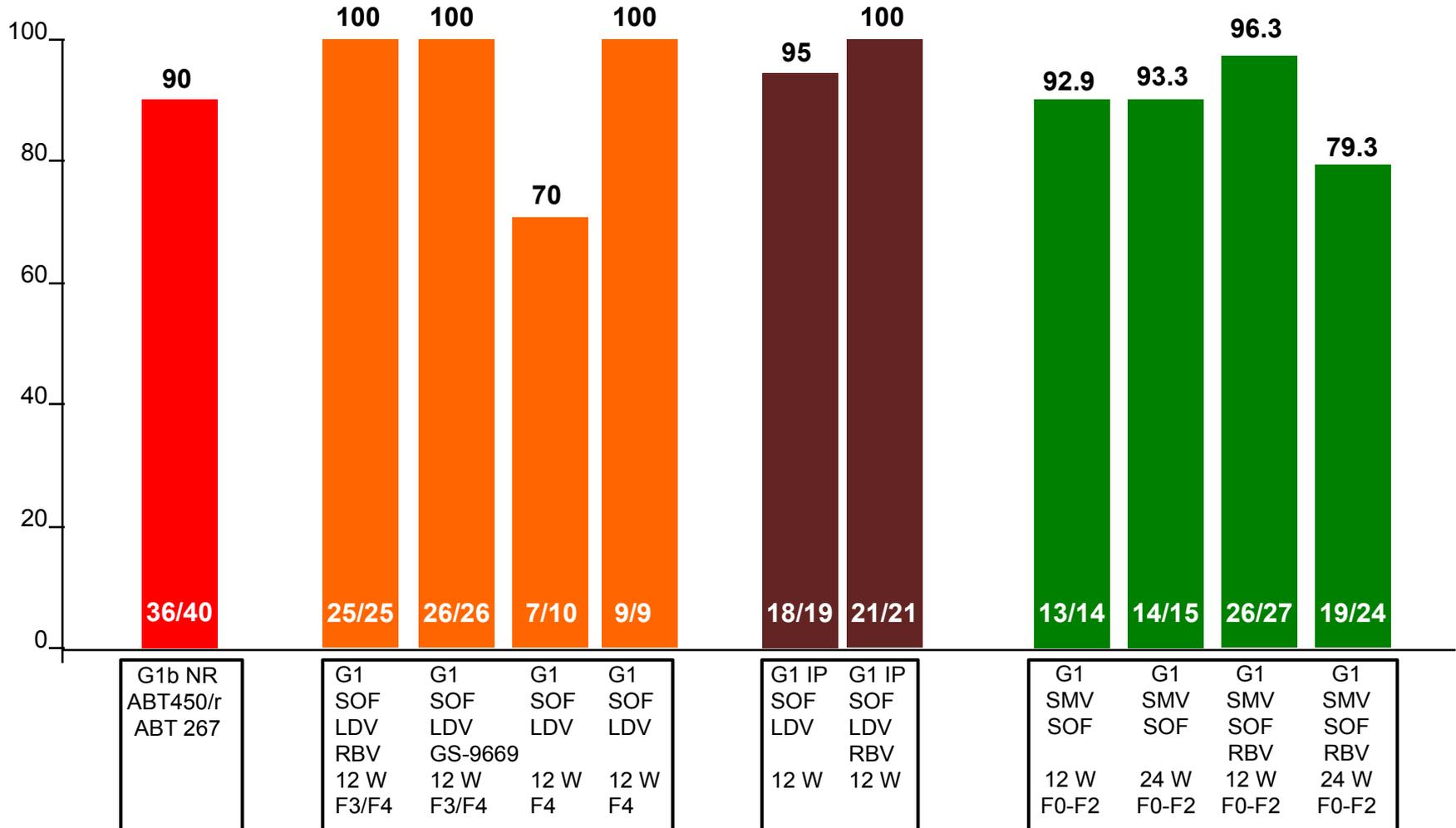
■ Daclatasvir (DCV) + asunaprevir (ASV) + BMS-791325; Everson et al. AASLD 2013, ALB1.

■ Faldaprevir (FDV), deleobuvir (DBV) +PPI-668; Lalezari et al. AASLD 2013 ALB20.

■ Cosmos : sofosbuvir (SOF)/simeprevir (SMV) ± RBV; Jacobson et al. AASLD 2013, ALB3.

# Perspectives 2 (G1 experienced)

SVR12 (%)



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And the Winner  
is.....

The Patient.

