



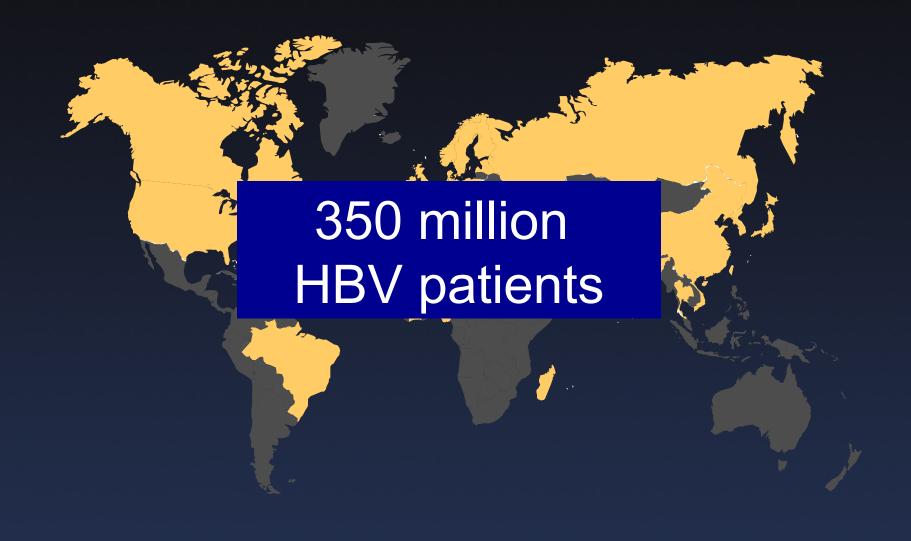


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# Hepatitis B: The Come Back

## Hepatitis B: Very high prevalence



### **HBV** is coming back

Researchers and Investments focus now on HBV

- High prevalence (350 million carriers/ 600 000 deaths/year)
- More contagious than HCV (vertical transmission)
- Increased prevalence in countries welcoming immigrants
- More complex virus (ccc DNA and integration of DNA)
- More complex disease (from inactive carriers to cirrhosis)
- Difficult to manage populations

### **HBV** is coming back

- Current therapies: remission and not cure
- Significant cost (indefinite therapy)
- HBsAg loss is the ultimate end-point
- HBsAg loss=clinical cure with improved outcome
- Persistence of cccDNA
- HBsAg loss rare with NUCs
- 2 innovative concepts:
  - qHBsAg
  - Combination therapy PEG IFN+NUC

#### Innovative concept: qAgHBS

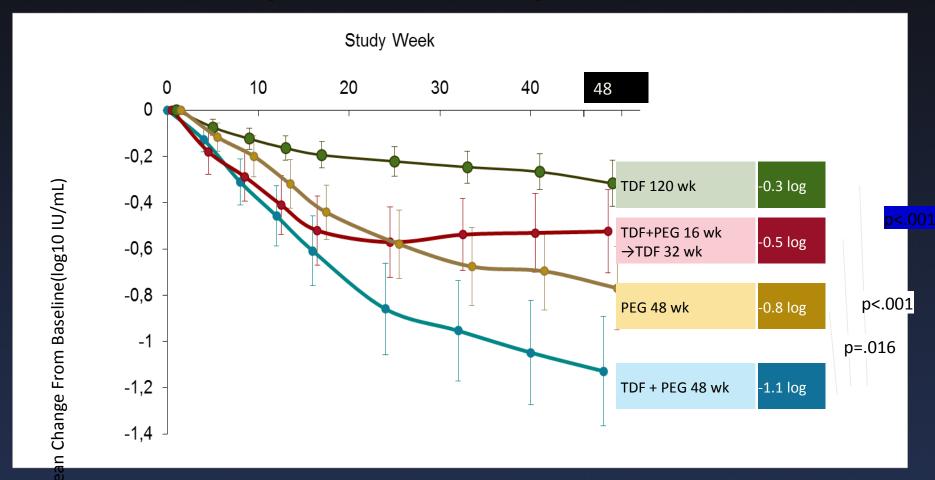
Standardized and simple test Identification of inactive carriers Assessment of severity of liver disease Probability of HBsAg loss Indication of treatment Choice of the drug: IFN Peg vs Nuc When to stop NUCs?

#### Innovative concept: PEG IFN + NUC

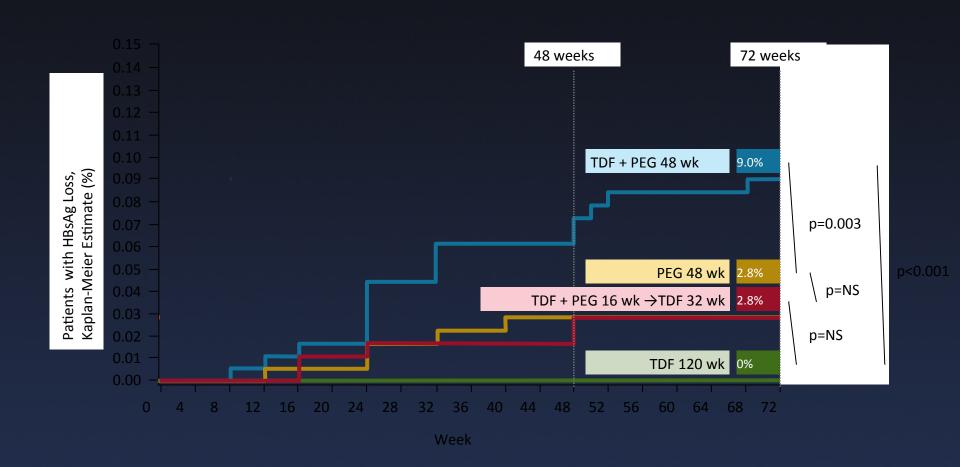
Accelerates HBsAg decline
Increases HBsAg loss
Good tolerance and safety
Silmutaneous better than add on?

## On-Treatment Changes in HBsAg Levels at Week 48

Results: Change in Serum HBsAg Levels



# Results: HBsAg Loss Over Time (Week 72)



## Future therapeutic innovation pipe line

Very early stage development

New immunomodulators

New antiviral coumpounds acting on different targets (cccDNA, receptors, proteins...)

THE FUTURE = COMBINATION





### Enjoy your HBV day!

