

HCV treatment : are there still difficulties to treat patients ?

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“Special Populations” in the Pan-genotypic Era

CKD

HCV/HIV
co-infection

DAA failures

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Pangenotypic DAAs removed
« special » but not « difficult-to-treat » populations

Organ donor

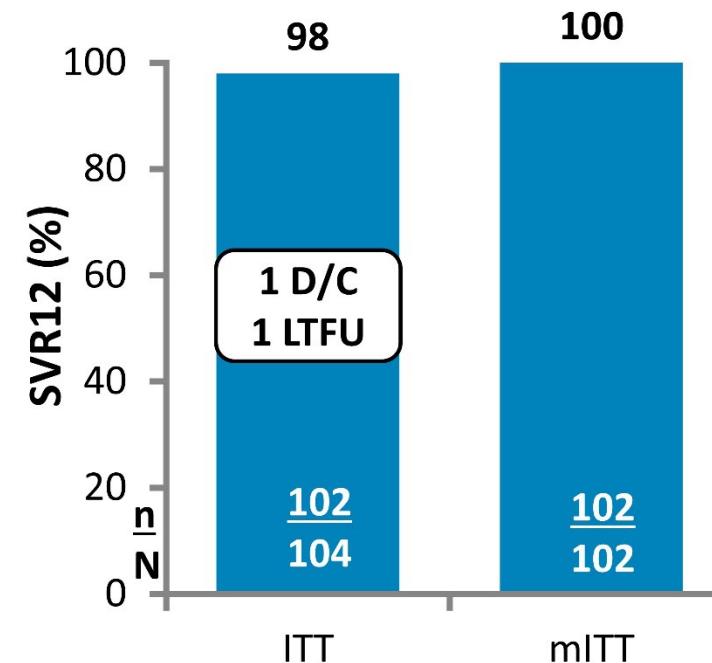
“Addict”
patients

Decompensated
cirrhosis

12 weeks G/P in GT1-6 patients with CKD4-5

Single-arm, open-label study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of G/P in patients with HCV GT1–6 infection and renal impairment

Characteristic, n (%)	G/P N = 104
HCV genotype	
1a / 1b / other	23 (22) / 29 (28) / 2 (2)
2	17 (16)
3	11 (11)
4 / 5 / 6	20 (19) / 1 (1) / 1 (1)
Prior treatment history	
Naive	60 (58)
IFN/pegIFN ± RBV	42 (40)
SOF + RBV ± pegIFN	2 (2)
Compensated cirrhosis	
Yes	20 (19)
No	84 (81)
CKD stage	
Stage 4	13 (12)
Stage 5	91 (88)
Hemodialysis	85 (82)

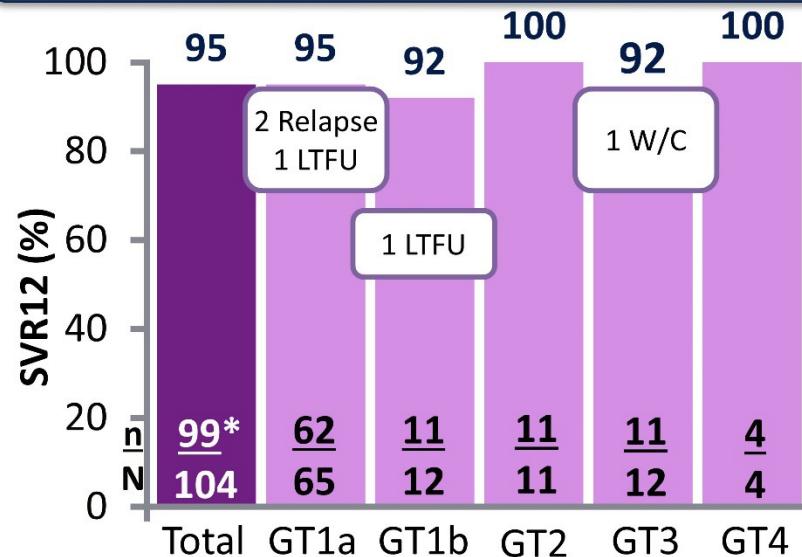


• CKD, chronic kidney disease; D/C, discontinued; LTFU, lost to follow up;

ITT, intent-to-treat; mITT, modified ITT (excludes patients who did not achieve SVR12 for non-virologic reasons).

HIV/HCV Coinfected patients

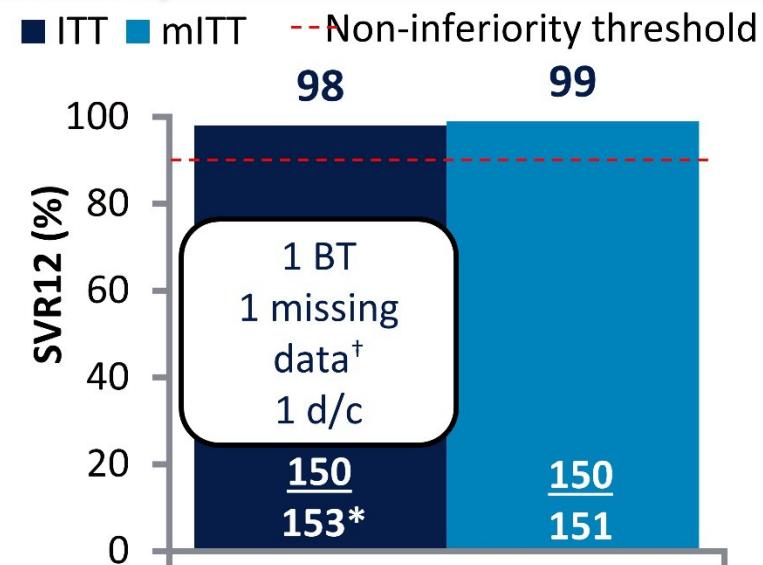
ASTRAL-5: SOF/VEL Phase 3, open-label, single-arm study, 12 weeks



ARV use at baseline:

- PI (DRV, LPV/r or ATV) 50%
- NNRTI (RPV) 13%
- Integrase inhibitor (RAL or EVG) 36%
- Other (>1 of the above classes) 7%

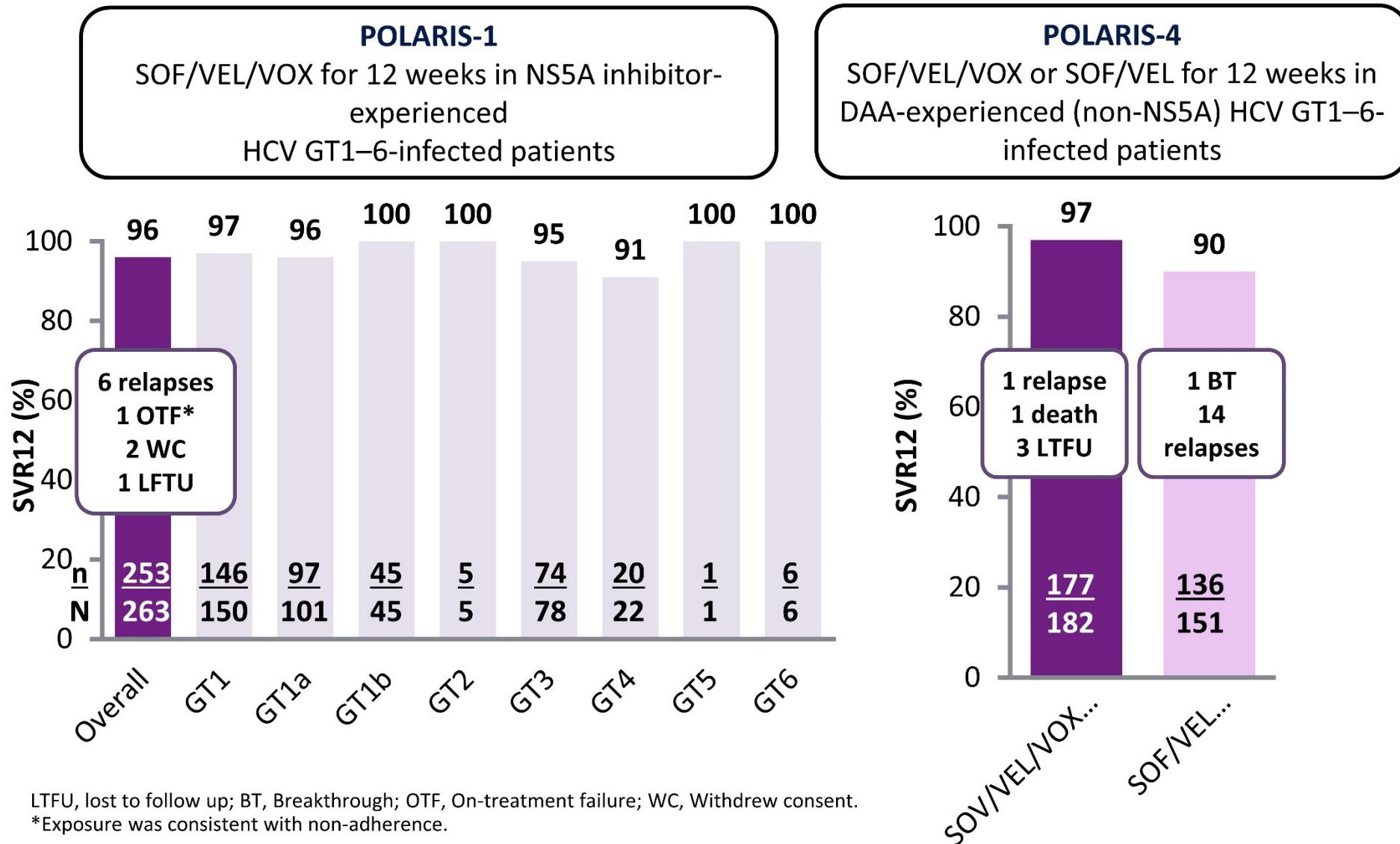
EXPEDITION-2: Phase 3, G/P treatment for 8 weeks (non-cirrhotic) or 12 weeks (cirrhotic)



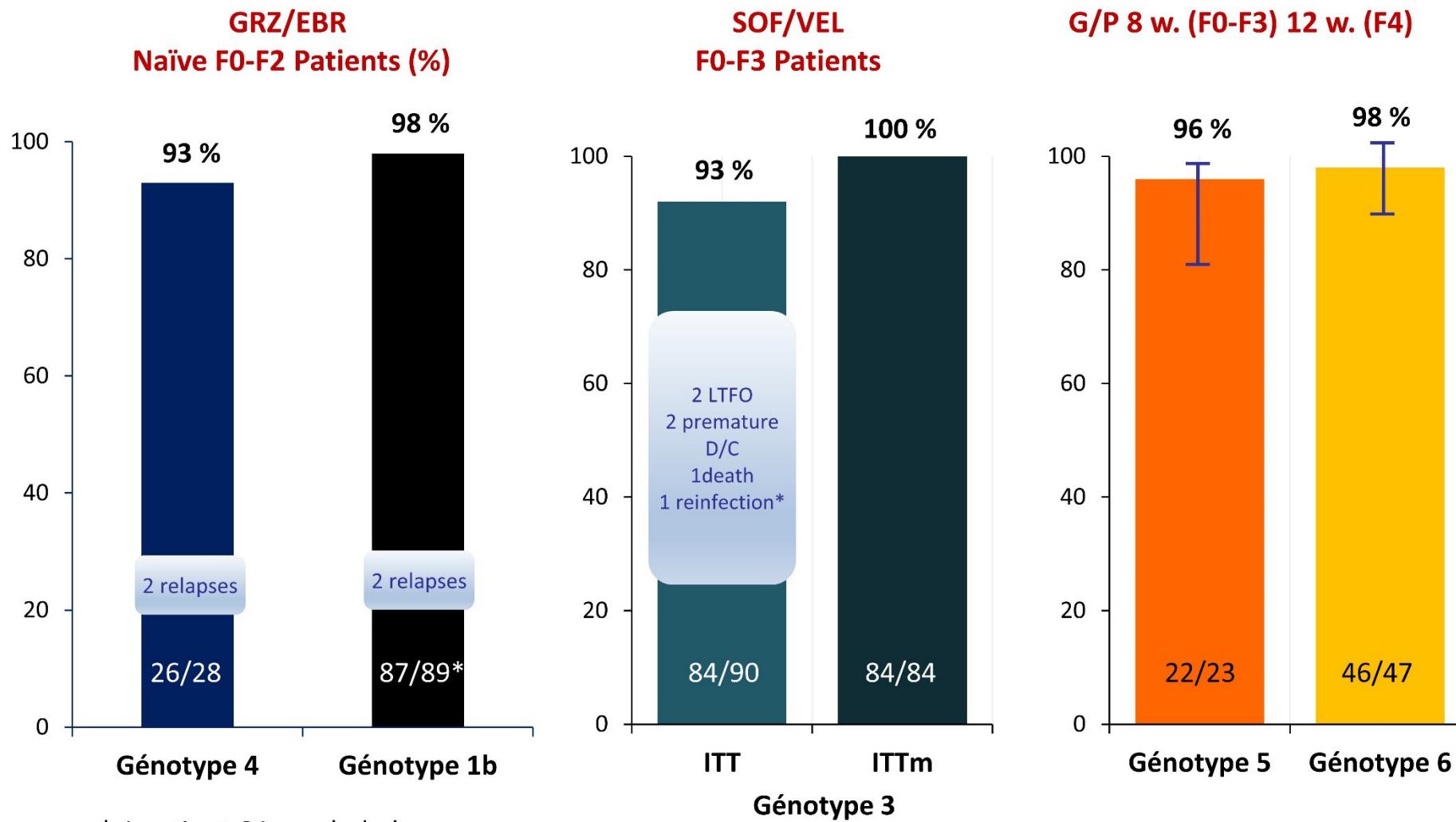
ARV use at baseline:

- PI (DRV, LPV/r) 0%
- NNRTI (RPV) 21%
- Integrase inhibitor (RAL, EVG/COBI or DTG) 74%
- NRTI (TDF/ TAF) 61%; (ABC) 39%

SOF/VEL/VOX or SOF/VEL in DAA-experienced patients with GT1–6 HCV infection: POLARIS-1 & -4



8 weeks : new standard in naïve non cirrhotics?



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“Difficult-to-treat Populations” in the pan-genotypic era

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DAA failures

GT3
experienced

Hemoglobin

Patients with
Cancer

Lower SVR rate in Child B/C (RBV) vs. A

Lower SVR rate in HCC patients

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CKD

- Prevention of HCV reactivation and/or of IRIS?
- Prevention of Hepatotoxicity?

experienced
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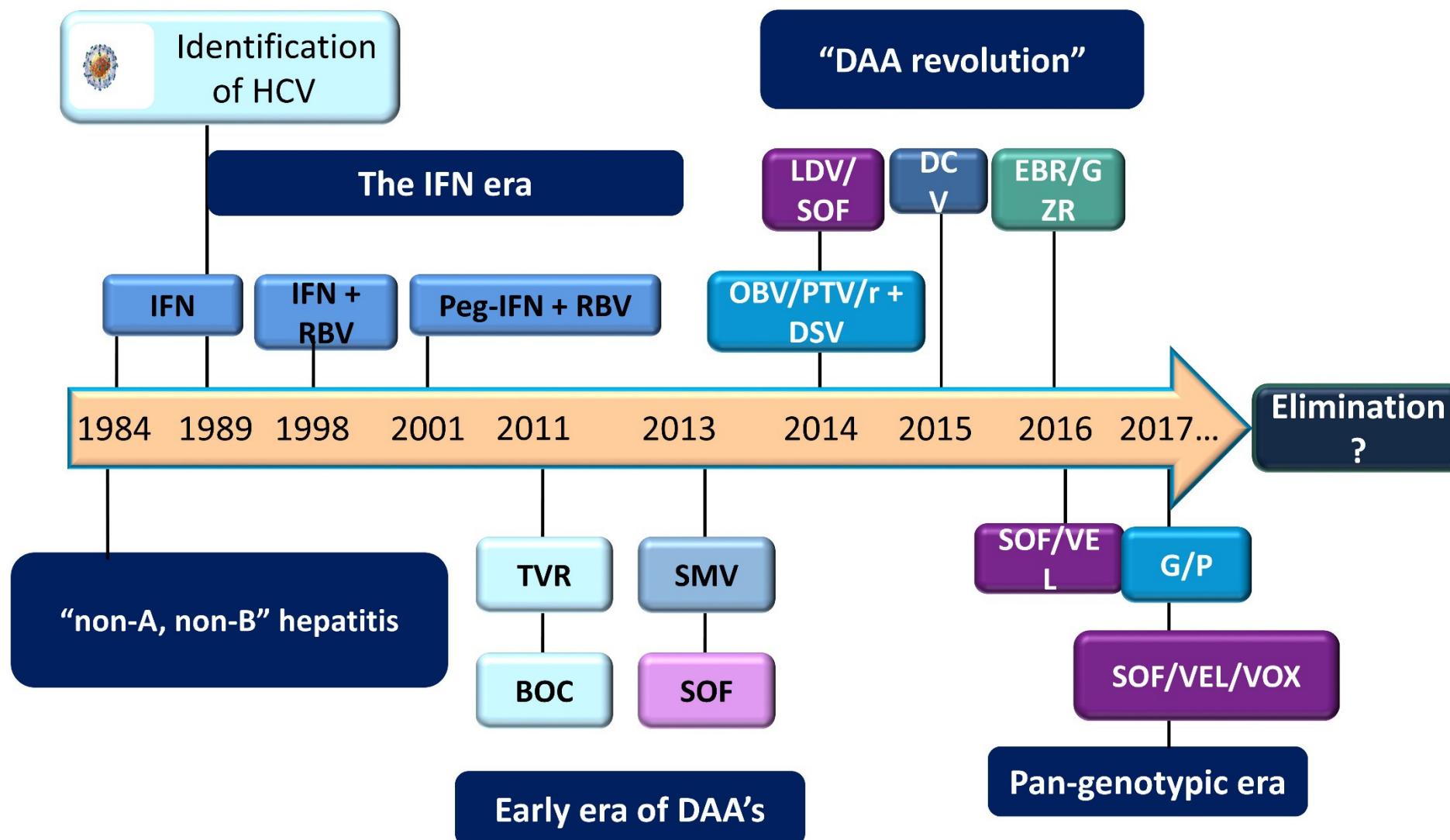
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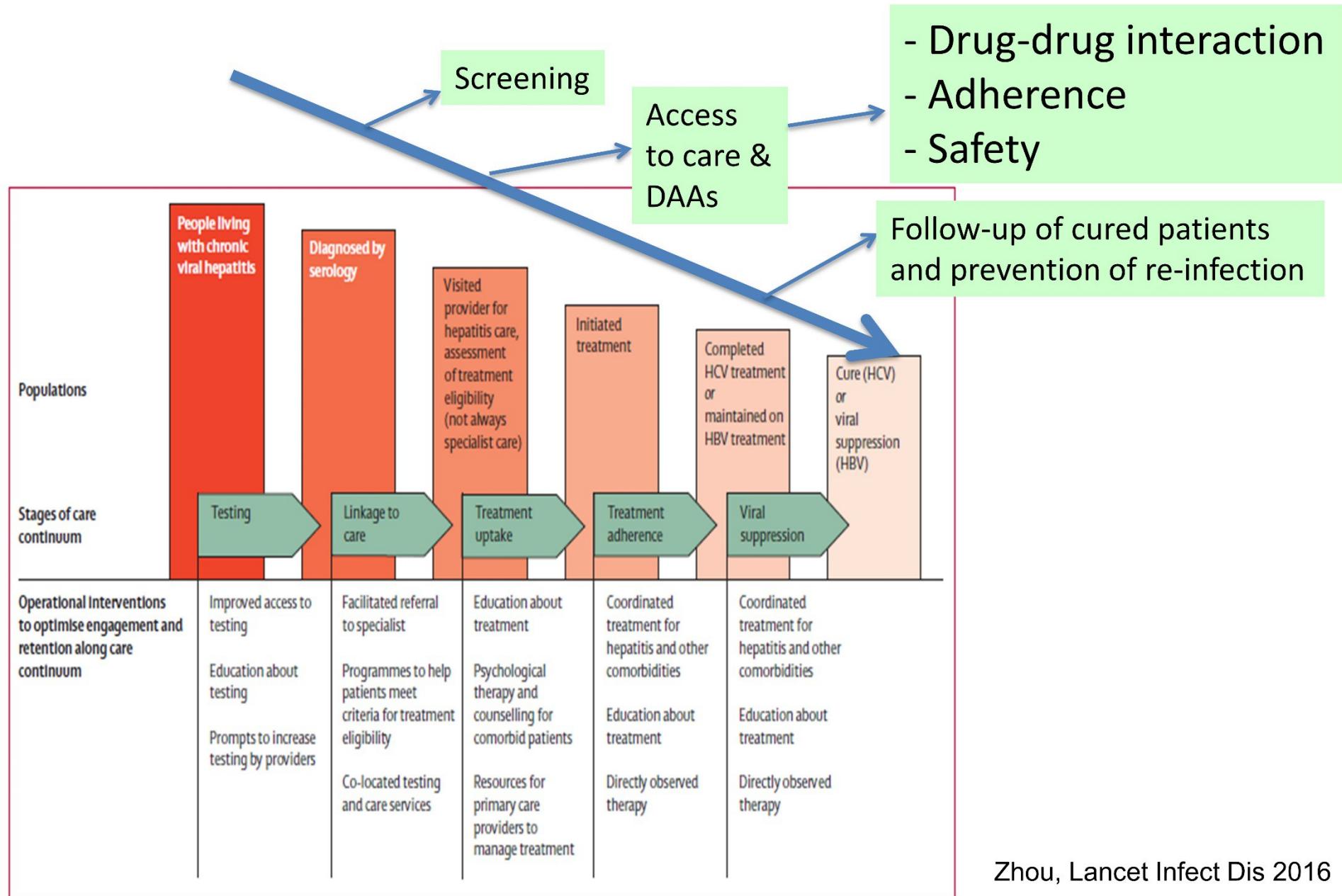
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HCV Timeline: towards HCV Elimination



HCV cascade and Elimination



Drug-drug interaction

Sometimes easy...

Effect on anti-HCV drugs		Sofosbuvir (SOF) / Velpatasvir(VEL)	Glecaprévir (GLE) / Pibrentasvir (PIB)
Effect on antiretroviral drugs			
Nucleos(t)ide Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTI)	Zidovudine (ZDV)	Not recommended if RBV associated	Not recommended if RBV associated
	Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF)	Possible TDM + renal monitoring	Possible
	Tenofovir alafenamide (TAF)	Possible	Possible
	Emtricitabine (FTC)	Possible	Possible
	Lamivudine (3TC)	Possible	Possible
	Abacavir (ABC)	Possible	Possible
Non Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NNRTI)	Efavirenz (EFV)	Not recommended	Contra-indicated
	Nevirapine (NVP)	Not recommended	Contra-indicated
	Etravirine (ETR)	Not recommended	Contra-indicated
	Doravirine (DOR)	Possible	Possible
	Rilpivirine (RPV)	Possible	Possible TDM RPV + ECG monitoring
Protease Inhibitors (PI)	Atazanavir/r (ATV/r)	Possible TDM ATV + bilirubin monitoring	Contra-indicated
	Darunavir/r (DRV/r)	Possible	Contra-indicated
	Lopinavir/r (LPV/r)	Possible	Contra-indicated
	Fosamprenavir/r (FPV/r)	Not recommended	Contra-indicated
	Tipranavir/r (TPV/r)	Not recommended	Contra-indicated
Integrase Inhibitors (INI)	Raltegravir (RAL)	Possible	Possible
	Dolutegravir (DTG)	Possible	Possible
	Elvitegravir/Cobicistat (EVG/c)	Possible	Contra-indicated
Entry/Fusion Inhibitors	Maraviroc (MVC)	Possible	Possible
	Enfuvirtide (T20)	Possible	Possible

Adjustment of comedications (statins)

or adjustment of the DAA choice to comedications

Drug-drug interaction

... and sometimes almost impossible

- Reduced choice:



- But:

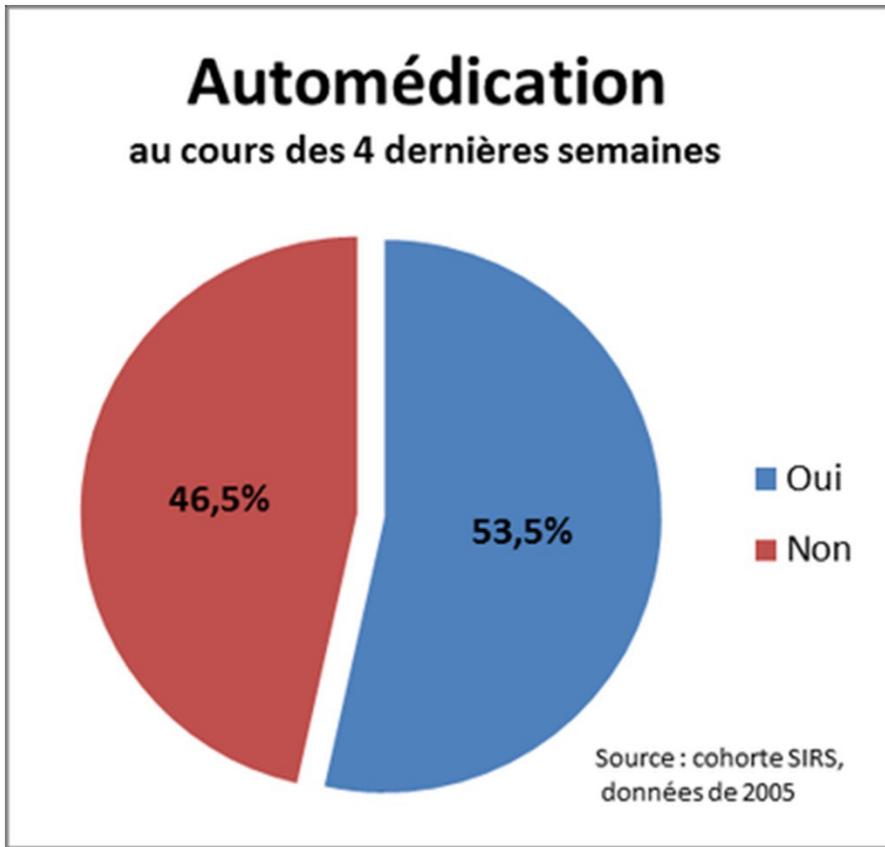
	Grazoprévir	Glécaprévir	Ledipasvir	Elbasvir	Velpatasvir	Pibrentasvir	Sofosbuvir
Metabolism	CYP3A4	CYP3A4	Weak (oxydative)	CYP3A4	CYP2C8+ CYP2B6 CYP3A4	-	GS-331007 (uridine via hydrolysis)
Transporter	Pgp OATP1B	Pgp, BCRP OATP1B1/3	Pgp	BCRP	Pgp	Pgp, BCRP OATP	Pgp, BCRP

- Drug monitoring : dosage Cmin ledipasvir + SOF007 metabolite at D7 and follow-up
- Dose-adjustment: limitation of the STR

Drug-drug interaction

Auto-medication, herbs, plants...

« Drug intake the last 4 weeks without prescription »



1. Doliprane® / sanofi
2. Oscillococcinum®/Boiron
3. Humex® / Urgo
4. Strepsils® / Reckitt
5. Lysopaine® / Boehringer
6. Berroca® / Bayer santé familiale
7. Daflon® / Servier
8. Nurofen Flash® / Reckitt
9. Nicorette® / Johnson & Johnson
10. Fervex® / BMS/Upsa

And what about cocaine, metamphetamine, chemsex ...?

Non-adherence and SVR

- Comparison of 101 SVR⁺ patients to 43 SVR⁻ patients
- Non-adherence (as defined by non intake of at least 7 pills of Sofosbuvir + Ledipasvir) was the key factor of treatment failure

Factors Associated With LDV/SOF Treatment Failures

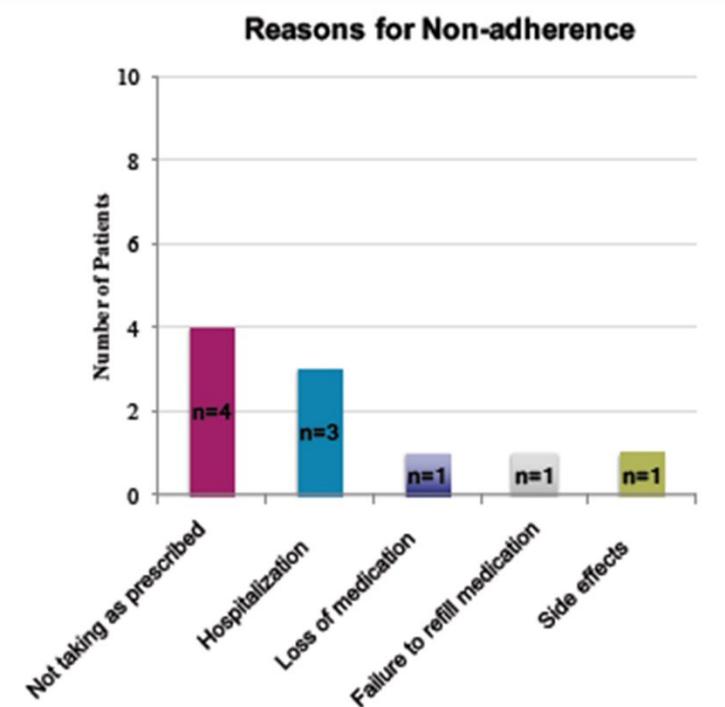
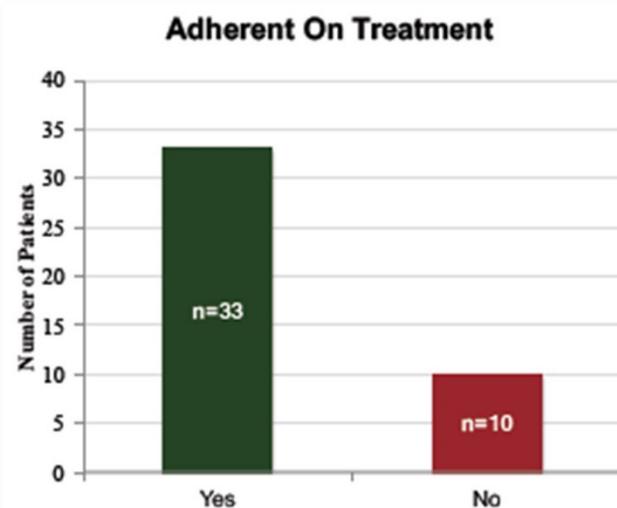
Characteristics	Patients who achieved SVR 24 n=101	LDV/SOF Failures n=32	OR (95% CI)	p value
Age, mean (range) years	61 (28-80)	61 (34-80)	--	0.70
Black Race	23 (23%)	16 (57%)	3.84 (1.67-8.86)	0.001
*Male Sex	58 (57%)	22 (81%)	3.86 (1.37-10.85)	0.007
Cirrhosis	53 (52%)	15 (53%)	0.91 (0.41-2.01)	0.81
Platelets<100,000/mm ³	28 (28%)	9 (32%)	1.02 (0.42-2.47)	0.97
*BMI>25kg/m ²	64 (67%)	20 (71%)	1.28 (0.53-3.08)	0.59
*Albumin<3.5 g/dL	18 (18%)	7 (26%)	1.34 (0.50-3.60)	0.56
PPI Use	30 (30%)	7 (25%)	0.78 (0.31-1.93)	0.59
*Non-adherence	2 (1.98%)	8 (28.6%)	16.3 (3.26-81.92)	<0.0001
# of on treatment visits, mean (range)	2.55 (1-9)	2.86 (1-6)	--	0.09

* Data for 132 patients available

* Data for 128 patients available

Reasons of non-adherence

- Incapacity to take the drugs as prescribed
- Mean number of visits : lower in non-adherent patients



DAA and tolerance

Nb person-year	DAA+ N = 10271	DAA- N = 14233
SAE	1383 (13.5%)	1476 (10.4%)
Arythmia	35 (0.3%)	40 (0.3%)
Cardiac failure	29 (0.3%)	26 (0.2%)
Pulmonary hypertension	3 (0.03%)	2 (0.01%)
Death	151 (1.5%)	228 (1.6%)
SAE of fatal evolution		
Tumors	54	94
Hepato-biliary disease	21	25
Infections	17	33
Cardiac disease	12	17
Others	47	59

DAA and tolerance: brady-arrythmia

Example 2 : patient 4

D0 : ECG before treatment with
sofosbuvir and daclatasvir



D6 : ECG before syncope,
1th degree atrioventricular block

D6 : Intermittent 3rd degree
atrioventricular block

Interrogation of pacemaker:
Complete spontaneous
resolution of atrioventricular
block after treatment
discontinuation

DAA and tolerance: HCC

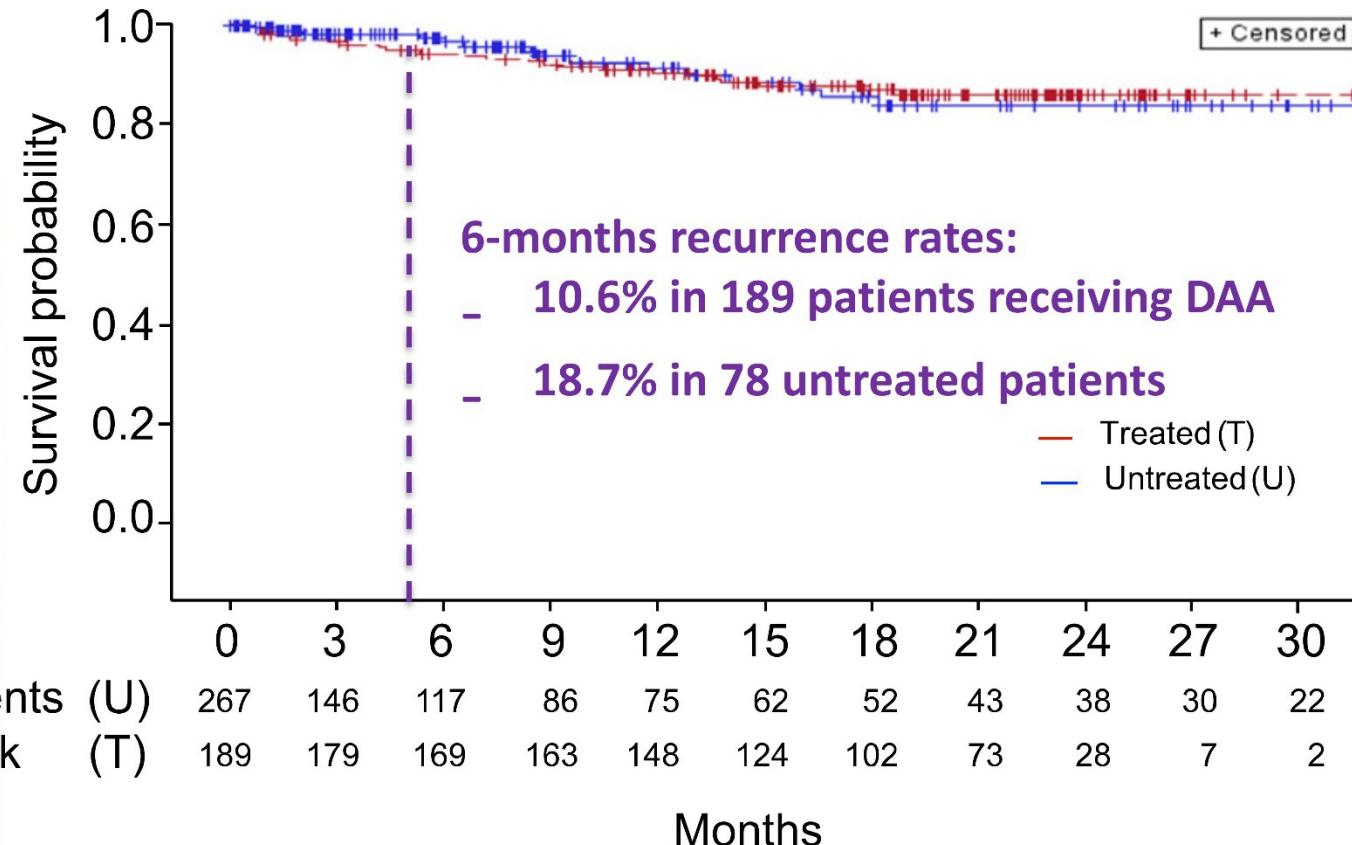


**24 recurrences
among 189 DAA+
patients (0.73/100
persons-month),**

**16 recurrences
among 78 DAA-
patients (0.66/100
persons-month)**

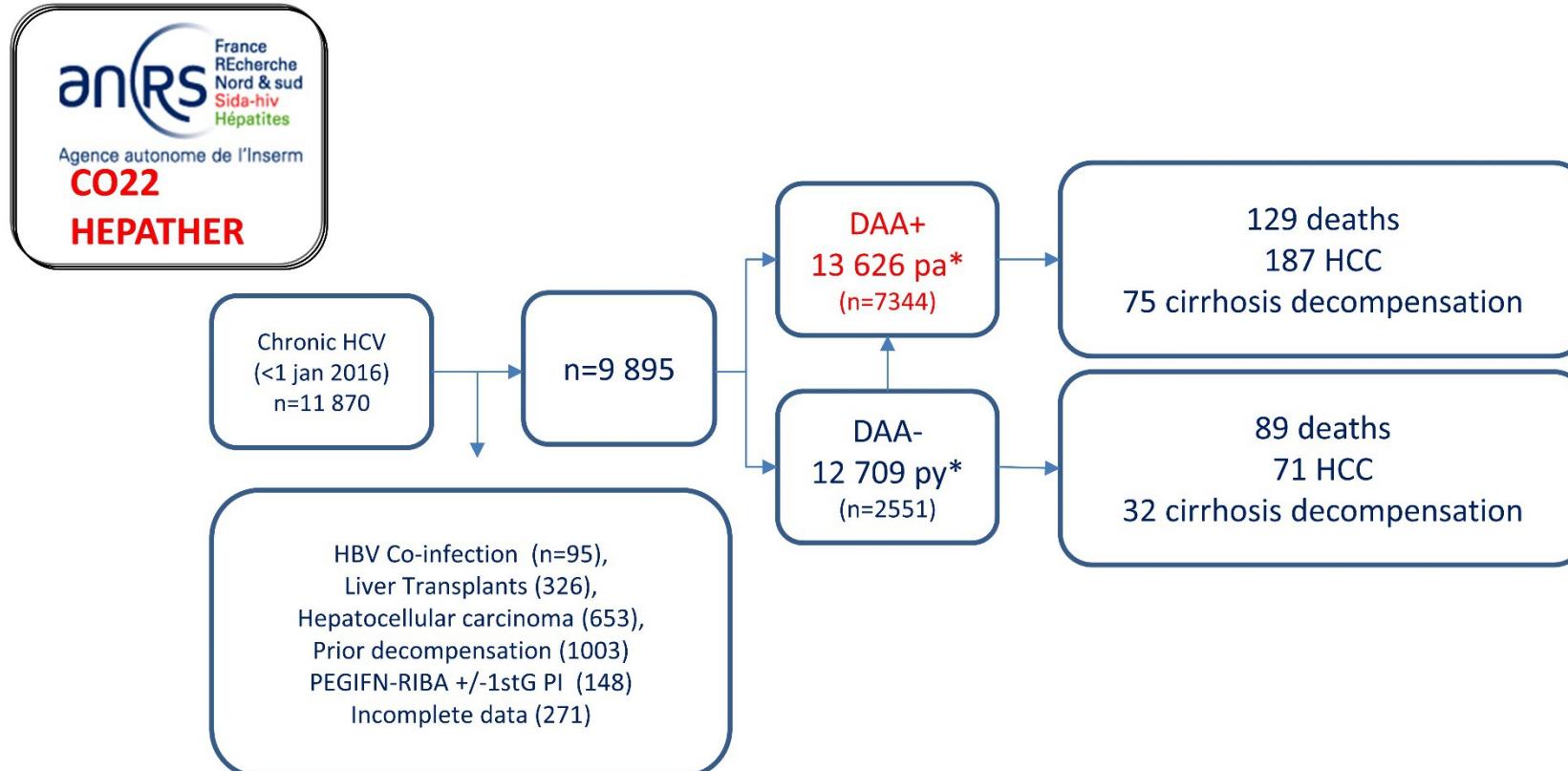
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Recurrence of HCC according to DAA treatment



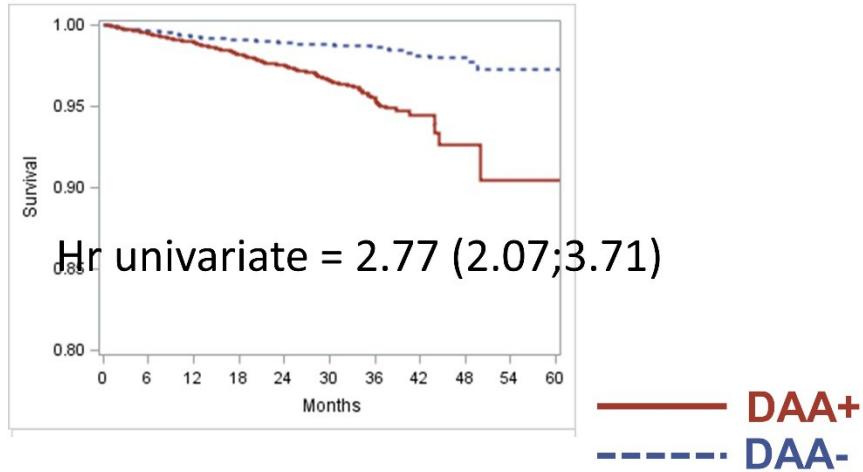
Multivariate adjusted HR for time-dependent DAA treatment (1.09 [95% CI 0.55–2.16], p =0.80)

DAA and tolerance: HCC



*py = patients-year

DAA and tolerance: HCC

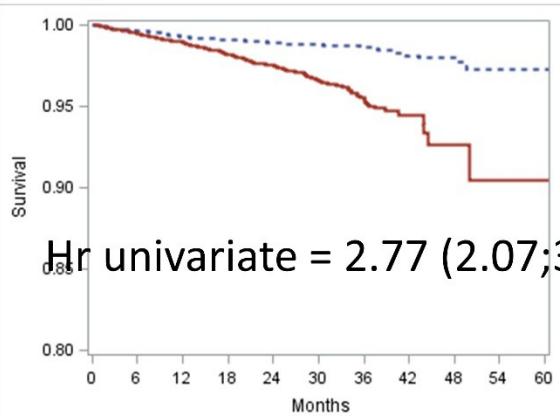


	Months	0	12	24	36	48	60
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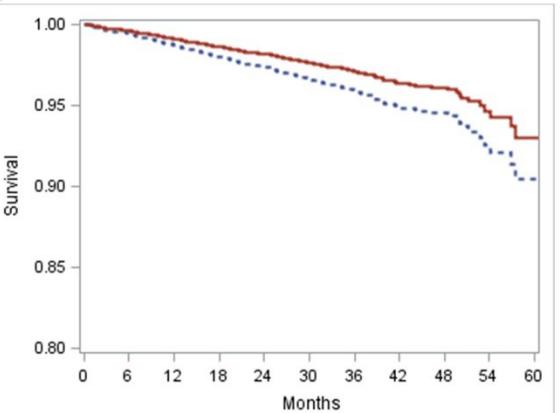


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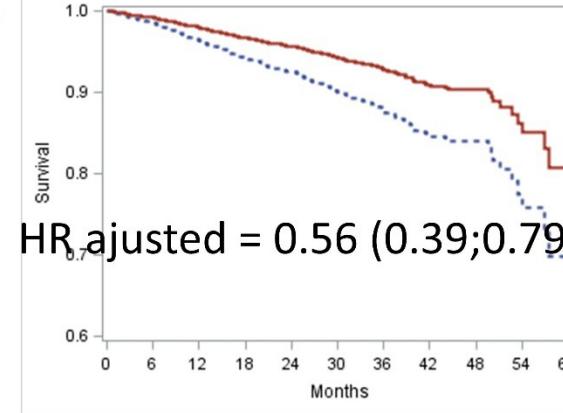
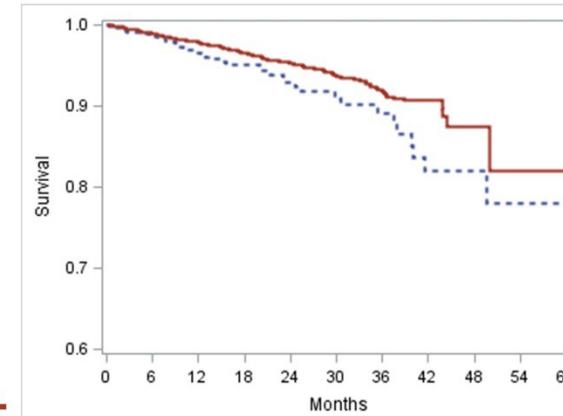


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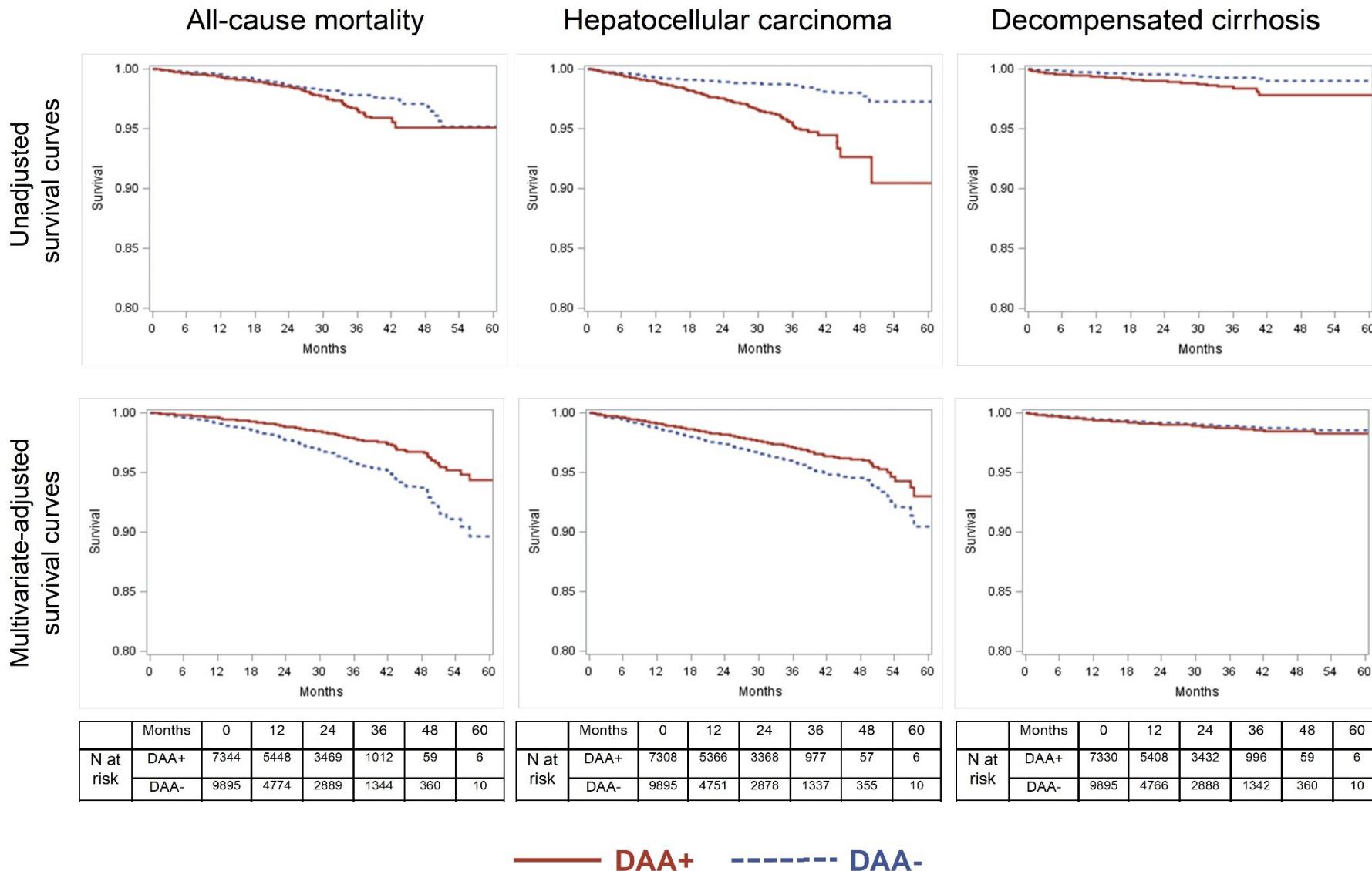
Risk of de novo HCC (all patients (n=9895)



and cirrhotic patients (n=3039)

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DAA and tolerance: HCC



HCV treatment: : are there still difficulties to treat patients ?

- High & pangenotypic efficacy of the different regimens removed the « special » and almost the « difficult-to-treat » populations
- The 3 main remaining difficulties are mainly related to drug-drug interaction (including phytotherapy) and adherence
- Safety of DAAs is fair which does not exclude very rare and potentially severe adverse events nor their cautious prescription

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