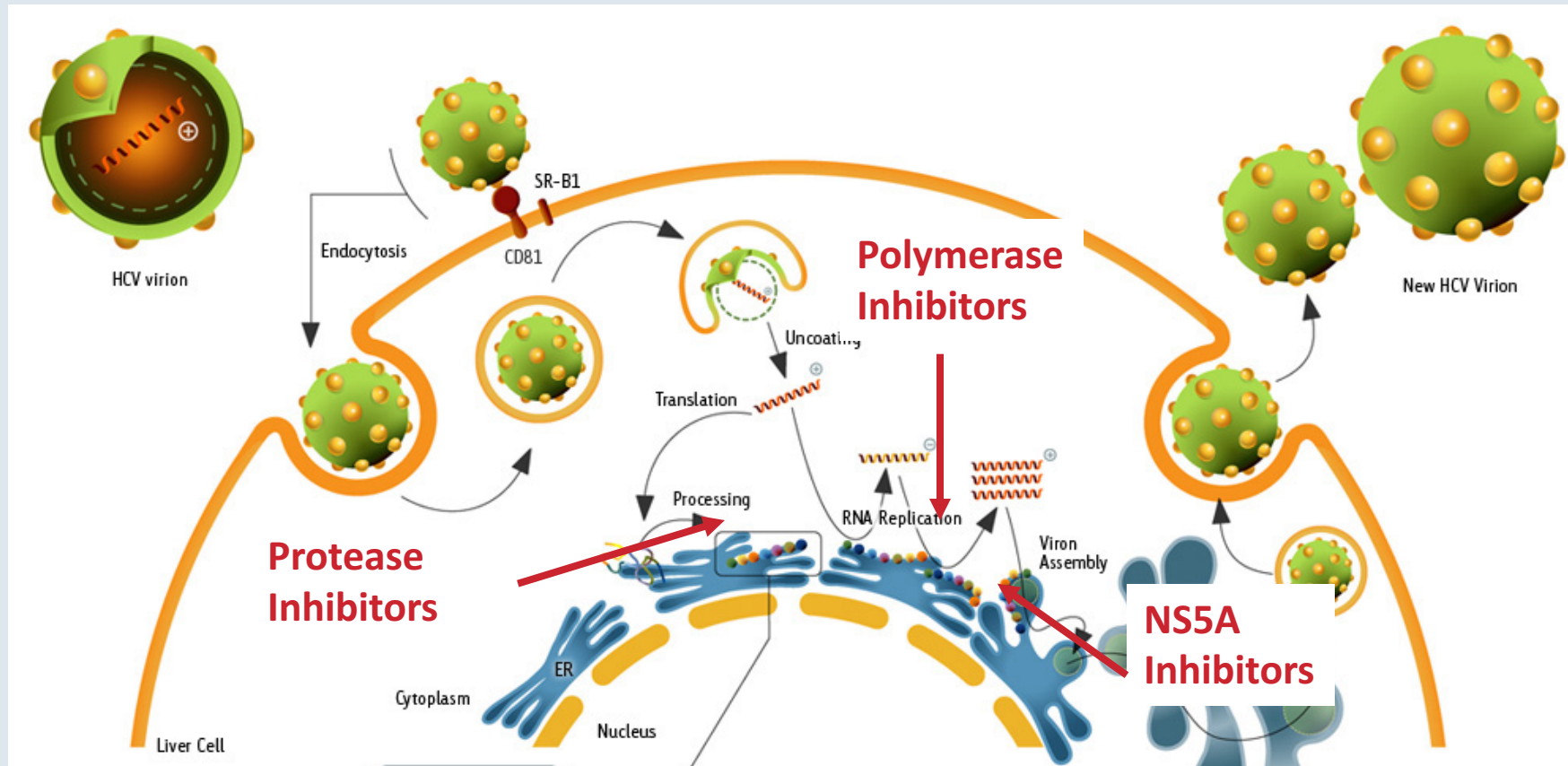


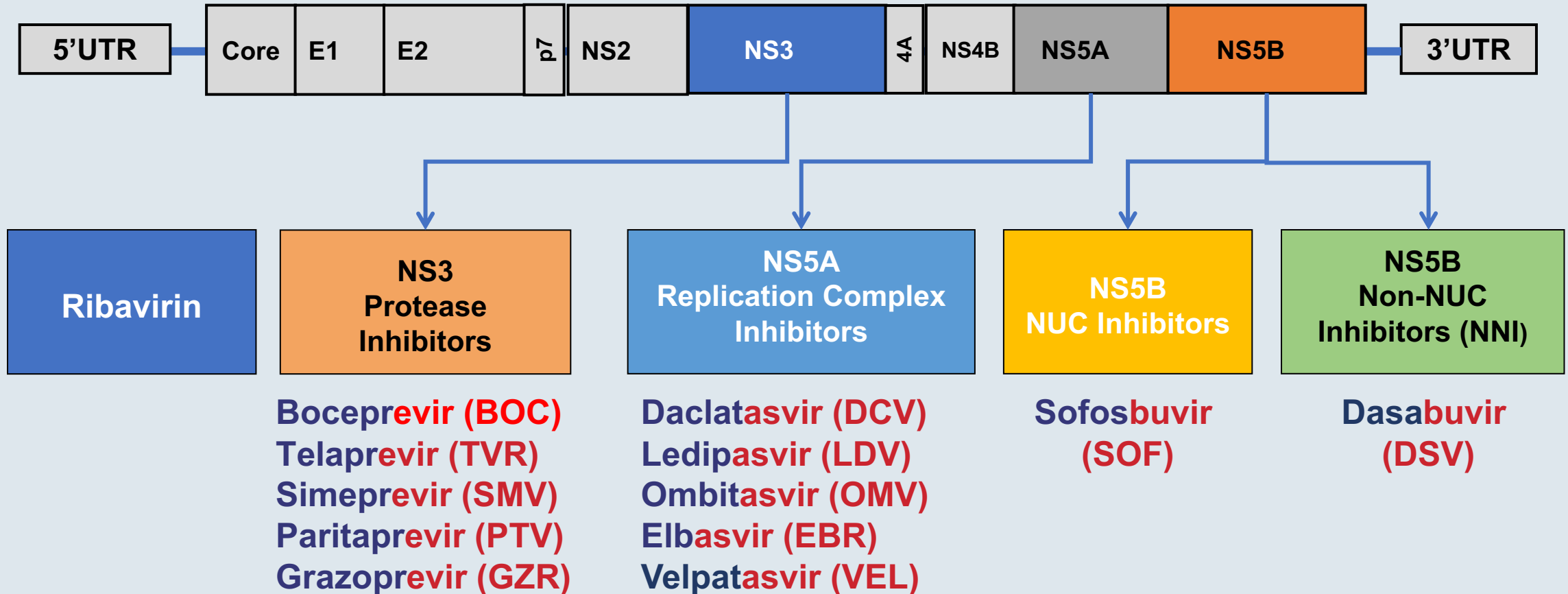
# Direct-acting Antiviral (DAA) Regimens in Late-stage Development: Which Patients Should Wait?

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# The HCV Lifecycle: Multiple Targets



# FDA Approved Direct-Acting Antiviral Agents (DAAs) from Multiple Classes



**Note the common root name for each drug class**

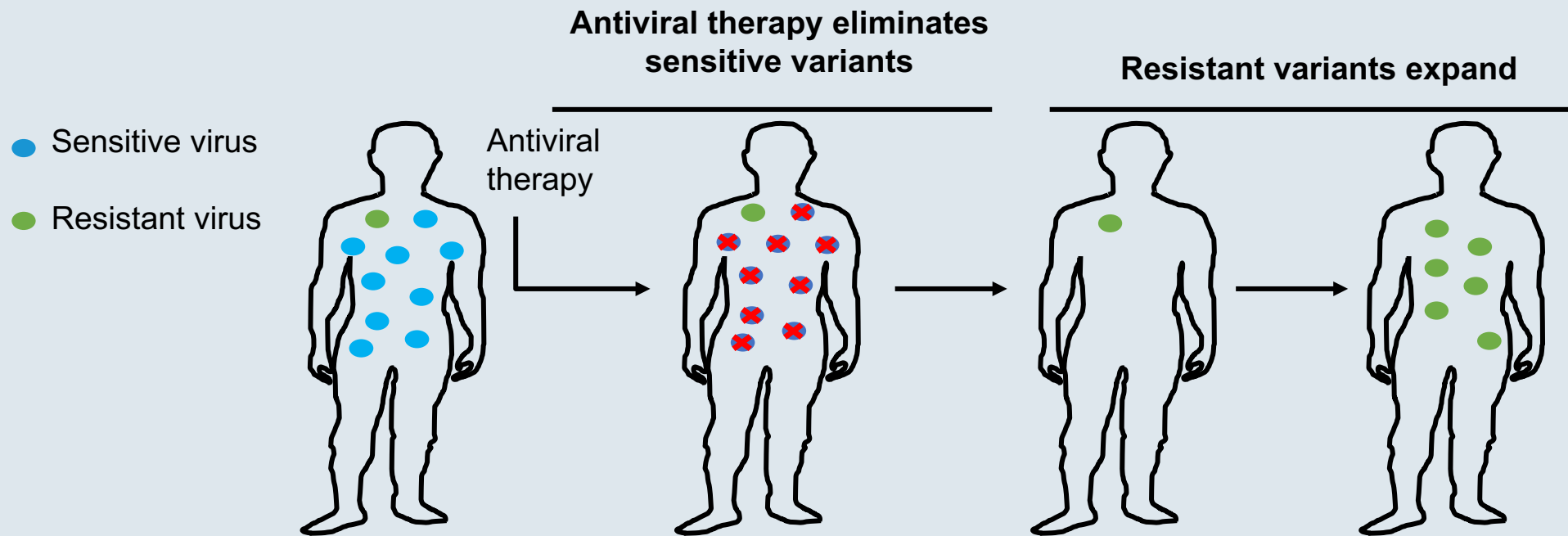
# HCV Treatment: Innovation

- Overall, 4-5% failure rate with currently approved regimens
  - Sofosbuvir/ledipasvir
  - Paritaprevir/ritonavir/ombitasvir + dasabuvir +/- ribavirin
  - Simeprevir/sofosbuvir
  - Elbasvir/grazoprevir
  - Sofosbuvir/velpatasvir
- Very promising late-stage regimens for patients who fail current DAA therapy
  - Glecaprevir/pibrentasvir
  - Sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir
  - Uprifosbuvir/grazoprevir/ruzasvir

# Why Do We Need More HCV Regimens?

# Resistant Variants Are Present Before and Can Be Selected During Treatment

- HCV is a mixture of related but distinct populations of virions in each patient<sup>1</sup>
- Most resistant variants are unfit and may be undetectable prior to therapy<sup>2,3</sup>



1. Pawlotsky JM, *Clin Liver Dis.* 2003;7:45-66; 2. Kuntzen T, et al. *Hepatology.* 2008;48:1769-1778;

3. Bartels DJ, et al. *J Infect Dis.* 2008;198:800-807. Image reproduced from Forum for Collaborative HIV Research ([www.hivforum.org](http://www.hivforum.org)).

# Current and Next Generation NS3 Protease Inhibitors: Activity Against Various Subtypes *in vitro* Can Predict Lower Efficacy and Risk of RASs

| Protease Inhibitor                                                                 | Stable HCV Replicon EC <sub>50</sub> (nM) |      |                  |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------|------------------|------|------|------|
|                                                                                    | GT1a                                      | GT1b | GT2a             | GT3a | GT4a | GT6a |
| Glecaprevir                                                                        | 0.85                                      | 0.94 | 2.7 <sup>a</sup> | 1.6  | 2.8  | 0.86 |
| Paritaprevir                                                                       | 1.0                                       | 0.21 | 5.3 <sup>a</sup> | 19   | 0.09 | 0.68 |
| Simeprevir <sup>1,2</sup>                                                          | 13                                        | 9.4  | 15               | 472  | NA   | NA   |
| Asunaprevir <sup>3</sup>                                                           | 4.0                                       | 1.2  | 230              | 1162 | NA   | NA   |
| Grazoprevir                                                                        | 0.38                                      | 0.87 | 1.3              | 36   | 1.2  | 0.89 |
| Voxilaprevir <sup>4</sup>                                                          | 3.9                                       | 3.3  | 3.7              | 6.1  | 2.9  | 1.5  |
| <sup>a</sup> Study conducted at Southern Research Institute.<br>NA, not available. |                                           |      |                  |      |      |      |

Those in red are components of next generation DAA regimens

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# NS5A Inhibitors: Activity Against Various Subtypes *in vitro* Can Predict Lower Efficacy and Risk of RASs (Those in red are components of next generation DAA regimens)

| NS5A Inhibitor                                                                     | Stable HCV Replicon EC <sub>50</sub> (pM) |      |                |        |         |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------|----------------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
|                                                                                    | GT1a                                      | GT1b | GT2a           | GT2b   | GT3a    | GT4a | GT5a | GT6a |
| Pibrentasvir                                                                       | 2                                         | 4    | 2 <sup>a</sup> | 2      | 2       | 2    | 1    | 3    |
| Ombitasvir                                                                         | 14                                        | 5    | 12             | 4      | 19      | 2    | 3    | 366  |
| Daclatasvir <sup>1</sup>                                                           | 22                                        | 3    | 13,000         | NA     | 530     | 13   | 5    | 74   |
| Ledipasvir <sup>2</sup>                                                            | 31                                        | 4    | 21,000         | 16,000 | 168,000 | 390  | 150  | 1100 |
| Velpatasvir <sup>3</sup>                                                           | 12                                        | 15   | 9              | 8      | 12      | 9    | 75   | 6    |
| Elbasvir <sup>4</sup>                                                              | 4                                         | 3    | 3              | 3000   | 20      | 3    | 1    | 3    |
| Ruzasvir <sup>5</sup>                                                              | 1                                         | 2    | 1              | 4      | 2       | 2    | 1    | 4    |
| ACH-3102 <sup>6</sup>                                                              | 26                                        | 5    | 21             | ~150   | NA      | NA   | NA   | NA   |
| IDX719 <sup>7</sup>                                                                | 8                                         | 3    | 24             | NA     | 17      | 2    | 37   | NA   |
| <sup>a</sup> Study conducted at Southern Research Institute.<br>NA, not available. |                                           |      |                |        |         |      |      |      |

1. Wang C, et al. AAC, 2014
2. Cheng G, et al. EASL, 2012; Harvoni prescribing information.
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# NS5A Resistance Overview

- Baseline variants associated with resistance are relatively prevalent
  - 15-20% of patients who have never been treated with HCV DAAs have them
- Currently available NS5A inhibitors suffer from broad cross-resistance at key positions
  - Q30R, L31M/V, Y93H/N
- NS5A variants persist for prolonged periods
- Select NS5A RAVs impact re-treatment responses

# HCV Treatment: Current Challenges

- Failures with NS5A substitutions
  - Present in >80% of patients prior to retreatment
  - $\geq 95\%$  SVR12 attained when retreating with regimens in late stage development
  - Fail with a similar resistance profile
  - Currently, we can treat all patients since salvage therapies will be available in the near future

# DAA Regimens in Late-stage Development (Some Highlights)

# Glecaprevir (GLE)(ABT-493)/Pibrentasvir (PIB) (ABT-530): Known as G/P

## Glecaprevir

(formerly ABT-493)

pangenotypic NS3/4A  
protease inhibitor



Collectively: G/P

## Pibrentasvir

(formerly ABT-530)

pangenotypic NS5A  
inhibitor

### In vitro:<sup>1,2</sup>

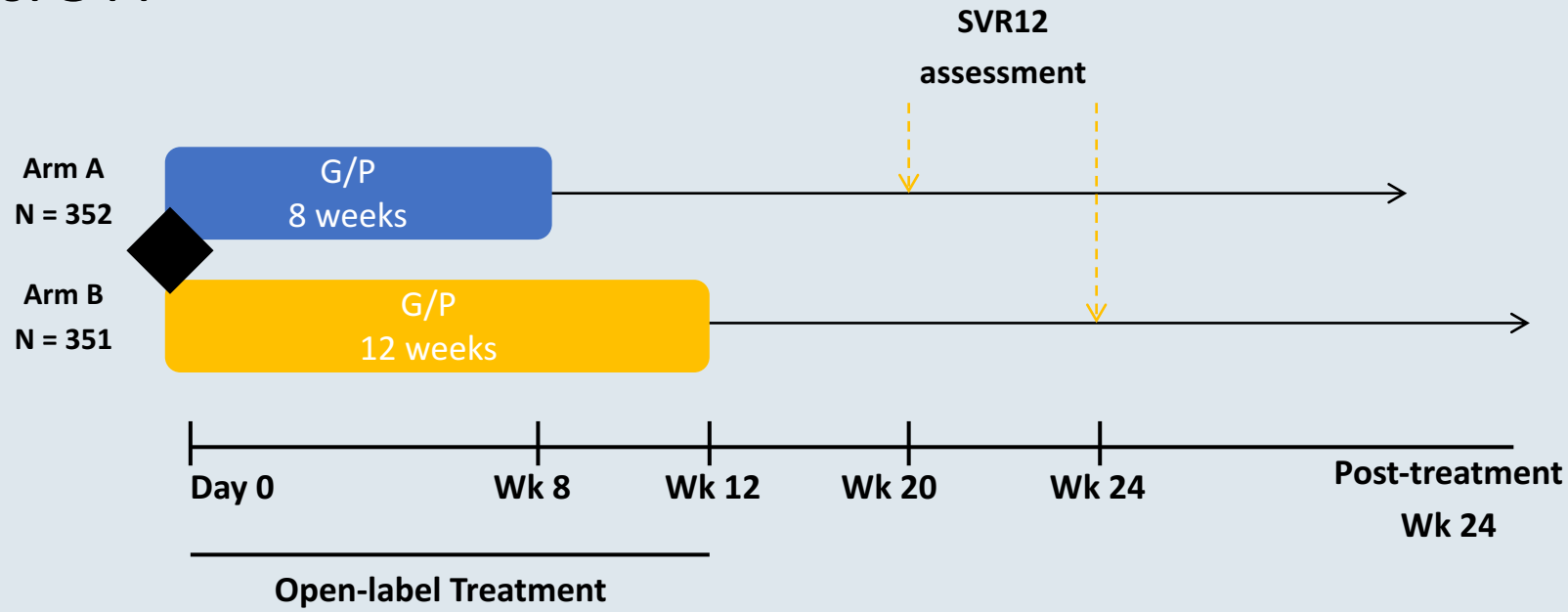
- High barrier to resistance
- Potent against common NS3 polymorphisms (eg, positions 80, 155, and 168) and NS5A polymorphisms (eg, positions 28, 30, 31 and 93)

### Clinical PK & metabolism:

- Additive/synergistic antiviral activity
- Once-daily oral dosing
- Minimal metabolism and primary biliary excretion
- Negligible renal excretion (<1%); no dose adjustment for CKD<sup>3</sup>

1. Ng TI, et al. Abstract 636. CROI, 2014; 2. Ng TI, et al. Abstract 639. CROI, 2014; 3. Kosloski M, et al. Abstract THU-230. EASL 2016.  
G/P is coformulated and dosed once daily as three 100 mg/40 mg pills for a total dose of 300 mg/120 mg

# ENDURANCE-1 (GLE/PIB): Study Design and Patient Population

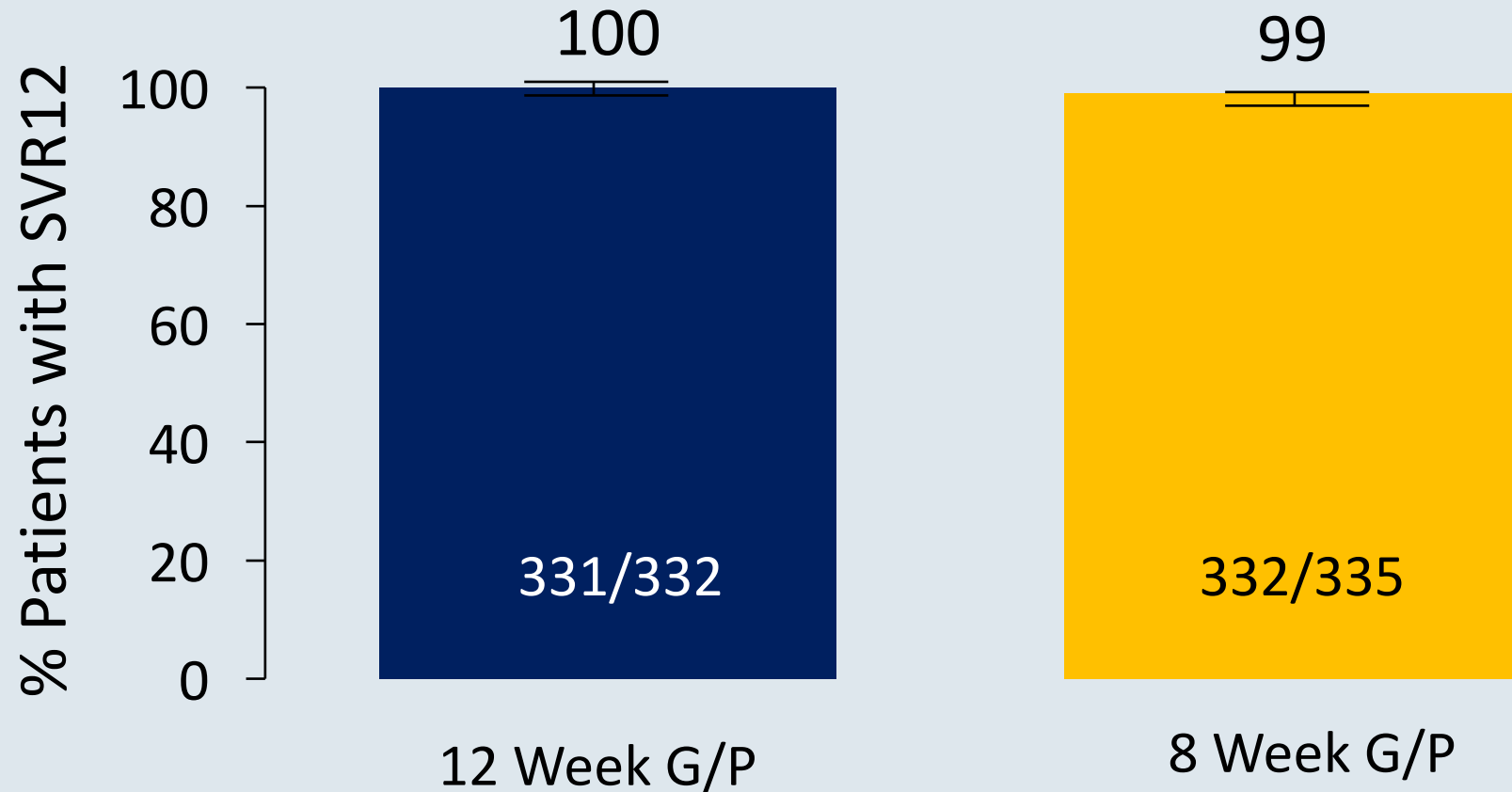


- GT1 non-cirrhotics (n=703)
- Treatment naïve or treatment-experienced with IFN or PEG +/- RBV or SOF + RBV +/- PEG (excluded any prior experience with HCV DAA other than SOF)
- HCV monoinfected or HCV/HIV coinfectd (ART naïve or on stable ART regimen)

# ENDURANCE-1: Baseline Variants (Never Previously Exposed to an NS5A DAA)

| Sequence, n (%) | 8-week<br>N=331 | 12-week<br>N=336 |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| None            | 236 (71)        | 244 (73)         |
| NS3 Only        | 4 (1)           | 1 (0.3)          |
| NS5A Only       | 89 (27)         | 91 (27)          |
| NS3 + NS5A      | 2 (0.6)         | 0                |

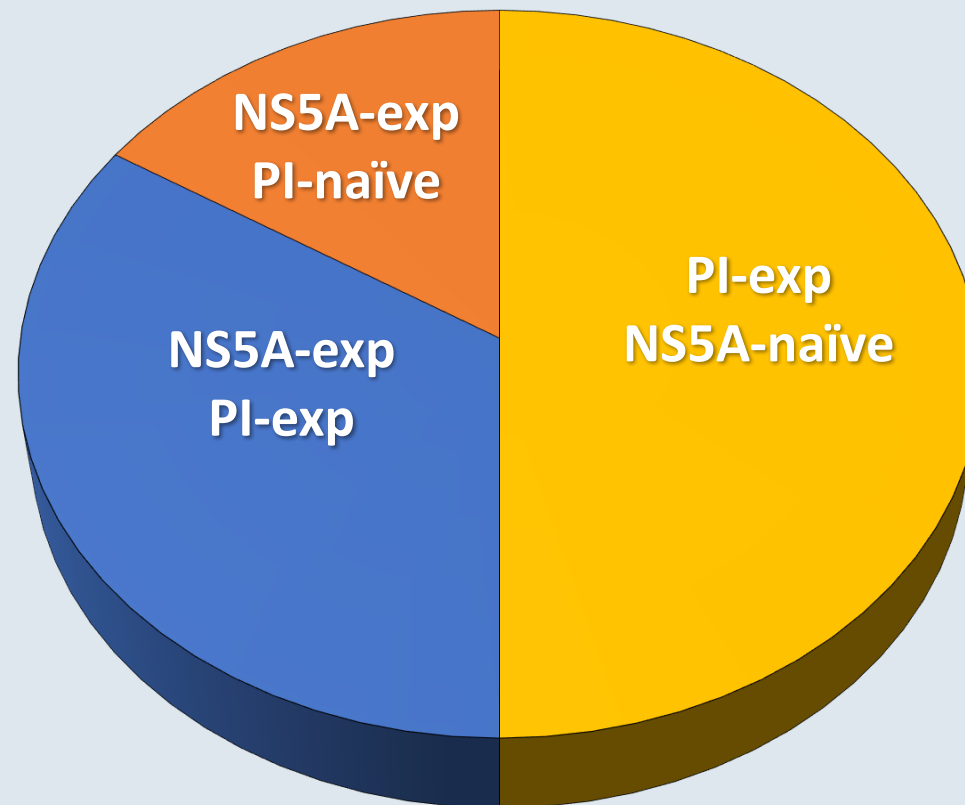
# GLE/PIB x 8 Weeks or 12 Weeks in GT1 Noncirrhotics



# MAGELLAN-1 Study: DAA Failure Retreatment

| Prior regimen                                                        | n  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| LDV/SOF                                                              | 8  |
| SMV + SOF ± RBV                                                      | 8  |
| OBV/PTV/r + DSV ± RBV                                                | 4  |
| DBV + FDV + RDV ± RBV                                                | 4  |
| SAM + SMV                                                            | 2  |
| TVR + PR                                                             | 8  |
| BOC + PR                                                             | 10 |
| DCV ± PR                                                             | 2  |
| Other                                                                | 9  |
| 4 patients were treated more than once with DAA-containing regimens. |    |

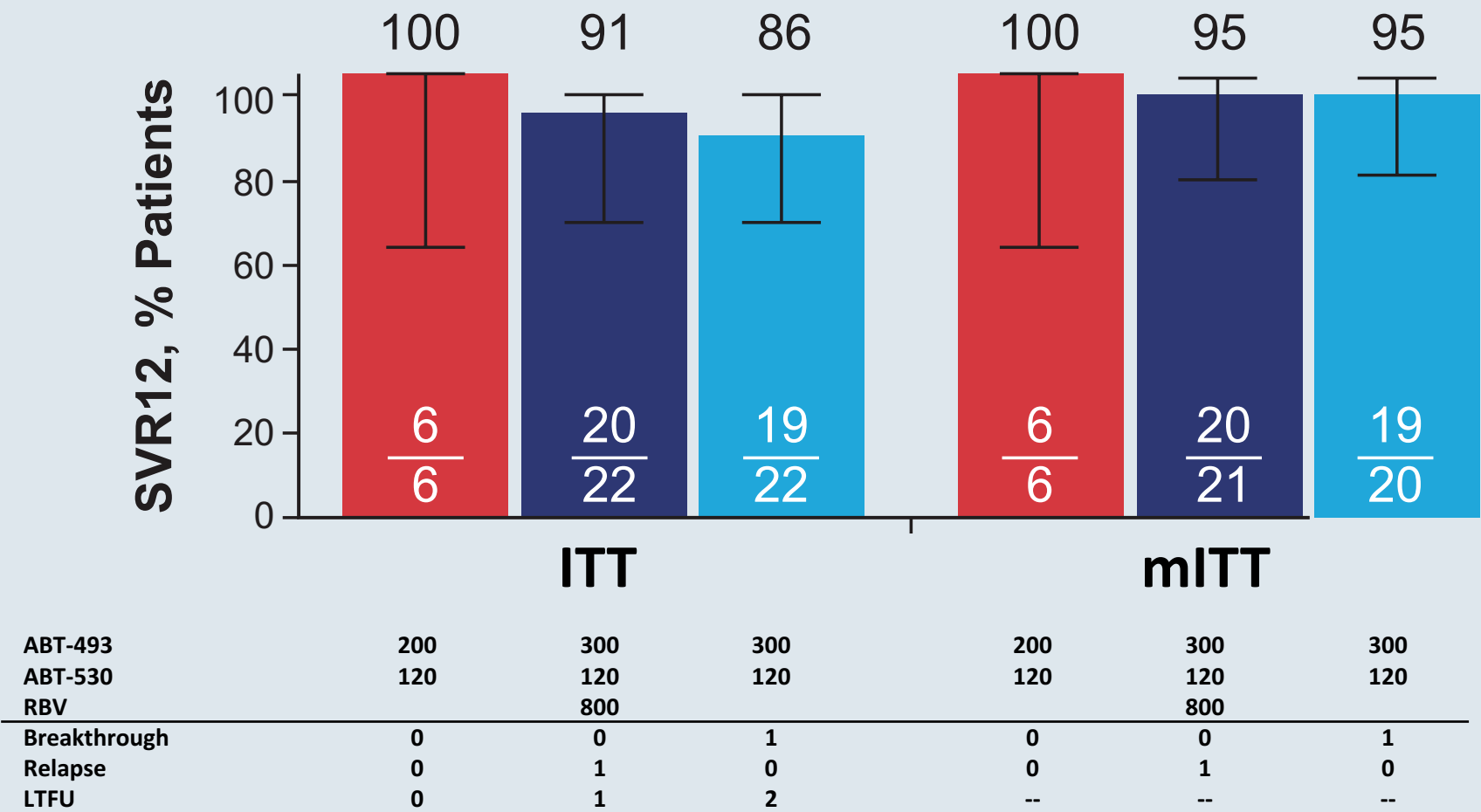
Treatment experience by DAA class:



25 (50%) NS5A-experienced  
42 (84%) PI-experienced



# MAGELLAN-1: SVR12



1 LTFU after week 6  
with HCV RNA  
undetectable

2 patients LTFU after  
completing treatment  
(1 death); both  
achieved SVR8

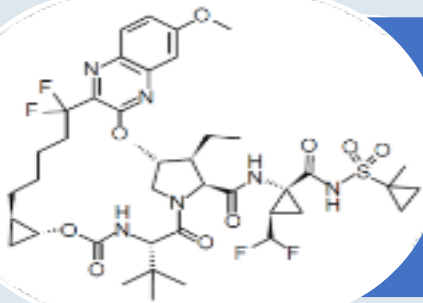
# Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir/Voxilaprevir (SOF/VEL/VOX)

**SOF**

Nucleotide  
polymerase  
inhibitor

**VEL**

NS5A  
inhibitor



**VOX**

NS3/4A  
protease  
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## Sofosbuvir (SOF)/Velpatasvir (VEL)

- **SOF:** Nucleoside polymerase inhibitor with activity against HCV GT 1-6
- **VEL:** Potent pangenotypic NS5A inhibitor

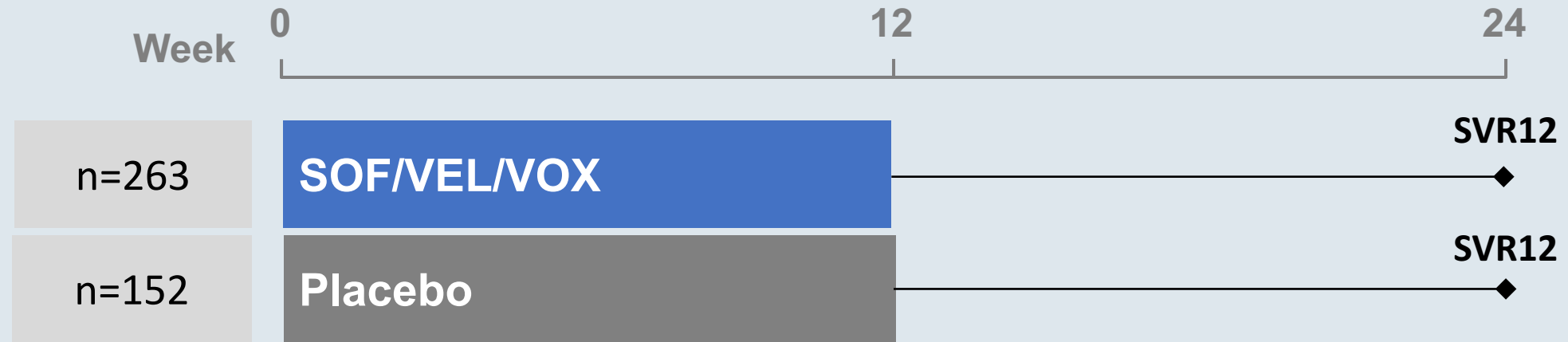
## Voxilaprevir (VOX)

- HCV NS3/4A PI with potent antiviral activity against GT 1-6, including most RASs

## SOF/VEL/VOX

- Once daily, oral, fixed-dose combination (400/100/100 mg) for GT 1-6

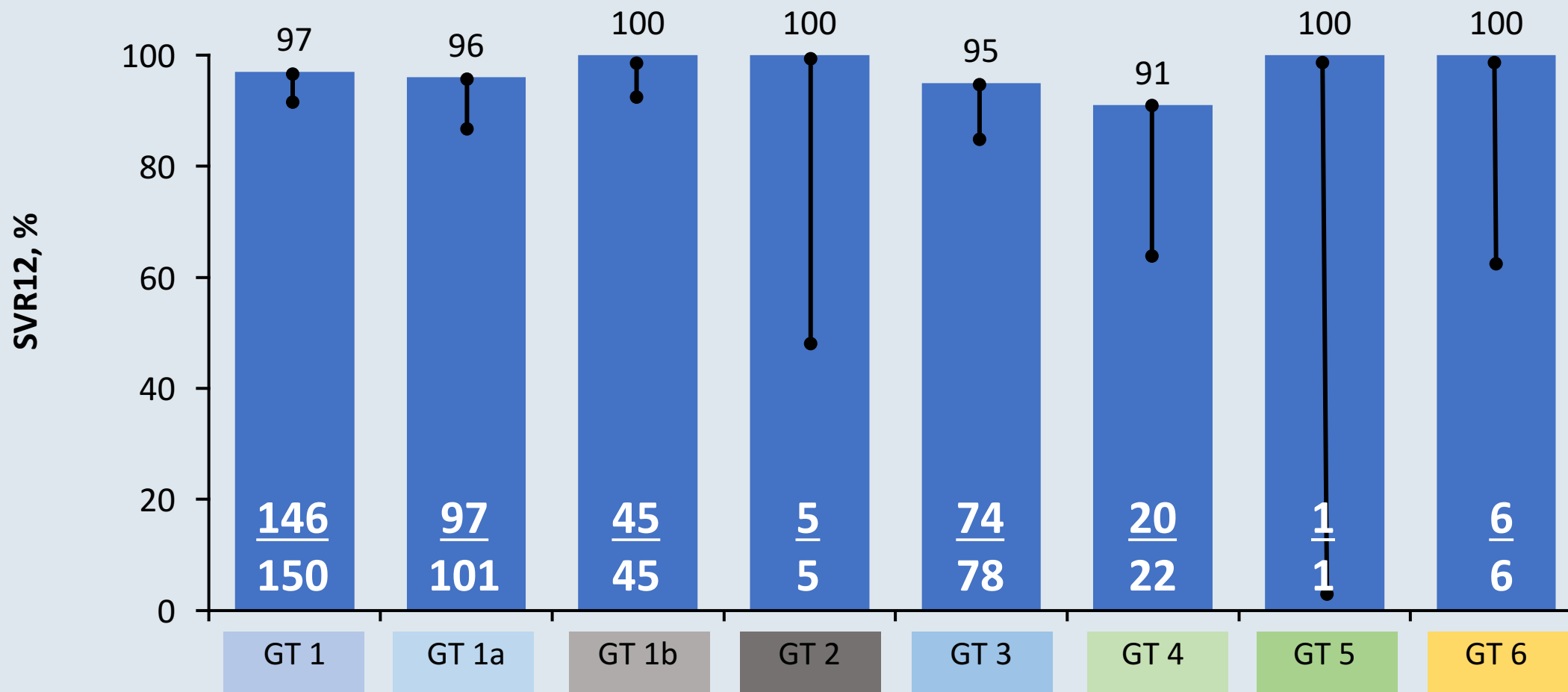
# POLARIS-1: SOF/VEL/VOX as a Salvage Regimen in NS5A Experienced Patients with GT1 - 6



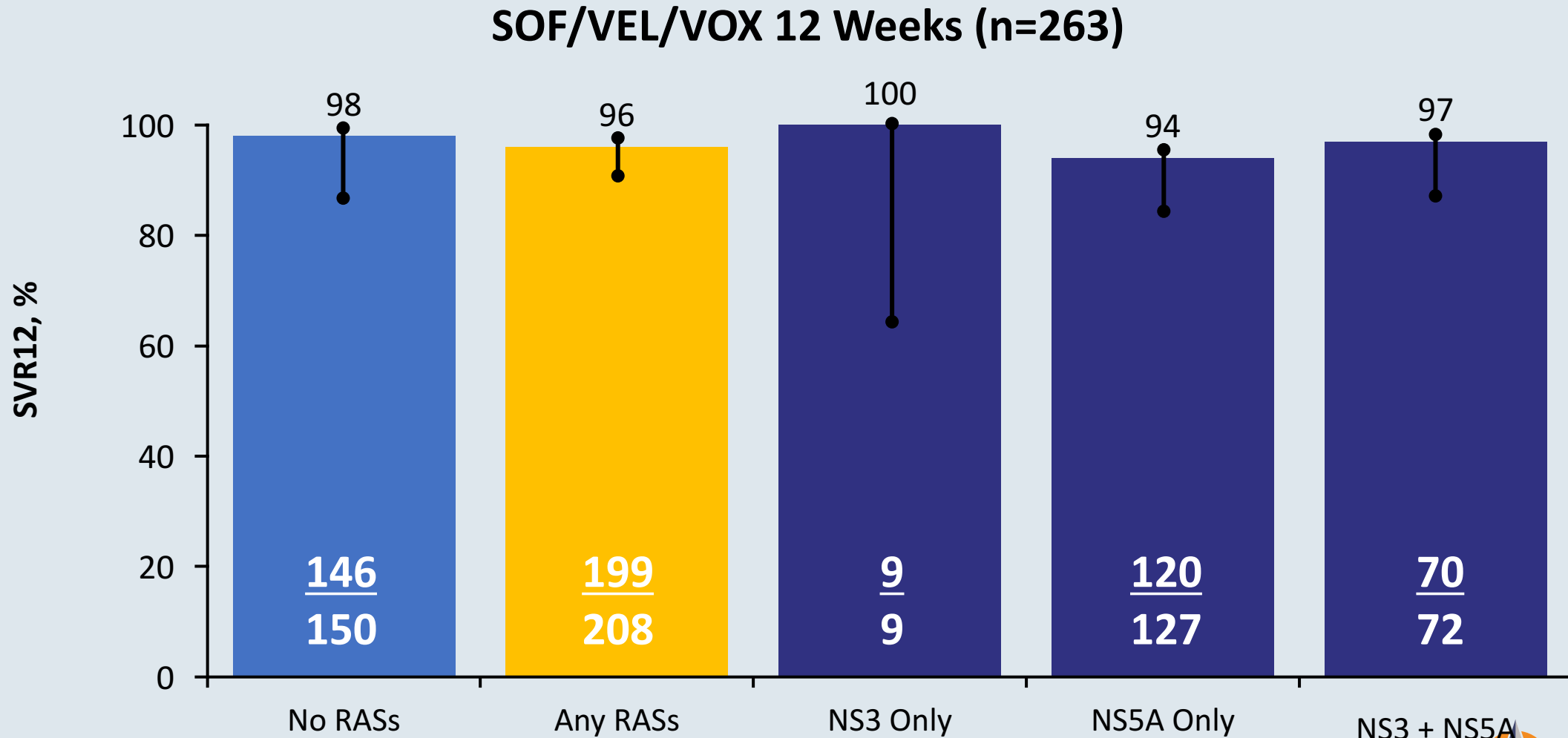
- Double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled trial in NS5A-experienced GT 1–6 patients conducted at 109 sites (USA, Canada, France, Germany, UK, Australia, New Zealand)

# POLARIS-1 Study: SVR12 by Subtype/Genotype

**SOF/VEL/VOX 12 Weeks (n=263)**



# POLARIS-1: SVR12 by RAS Status



Two patients had S282T at baseline, both achieved SVR12

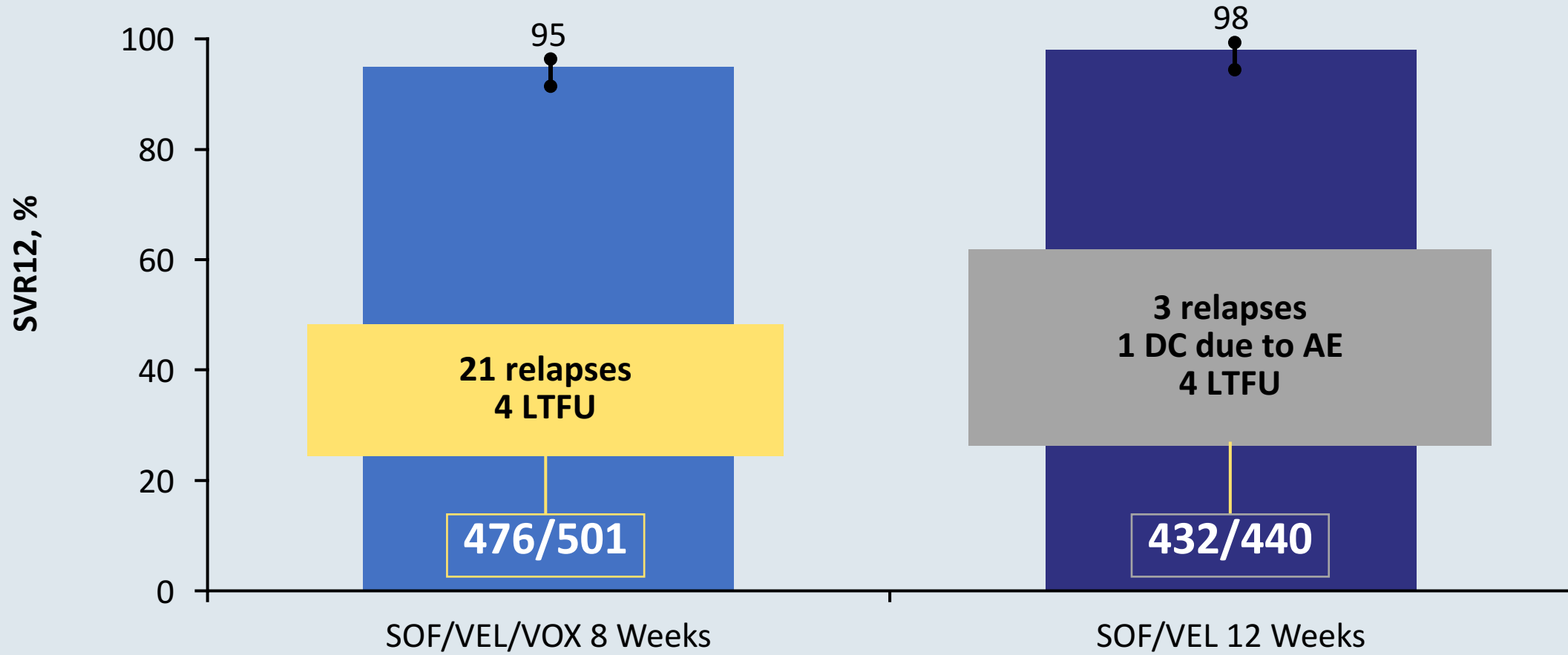
Bourlière M, et al. 67th AASLD; Boston, MA; November 11-15, 2016; Abst. 194.

# POLARIS-2: Randomized Controlled Trial of SOF/VEL/VOX for 8 Weeks versus SOF/VEL for 12 Weeks

- Open-label
- Treatment-naïve and experienced (interferon/ribavirin only)

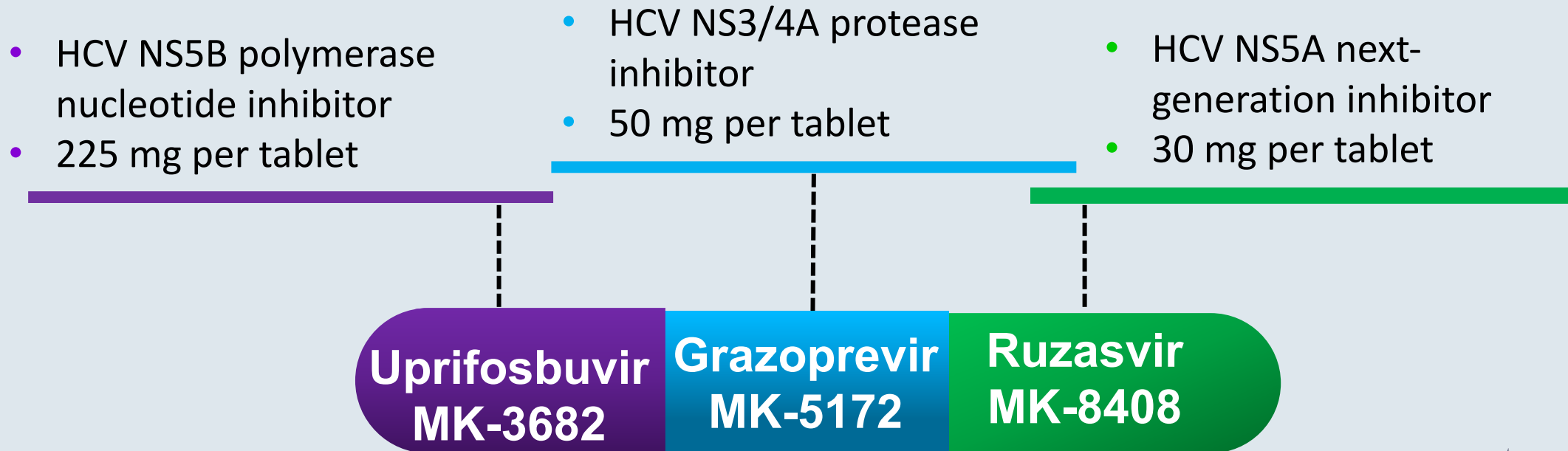
|                                               |                 | SOF/VEL/VOX<br>8 Weeks<br>n=501 | SOF/VEL<br>12 Weeks<br>n=440 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Mean age, y (range)                           |                 | 53 (18–78)                      | 52 (19–82)                   |
| Male, n (%)                                   |                 | 255 (51)                        | 237 (54)                     |
| White, n (%)                                  |                 | 391 (78)                        | 365 (83)                     |
| Mean BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup> (range)           |                 | 27 (17–57)                      | 27 (18–54)                   |
| Cirrhosis, n (%)                              |                 | 90 (18)                         | 84 (19)                      |
| Genotype, n (%)*                              | 1a / 1b / Other | 169 (34) / 63 (13) / 1 (<1)     | 172 (39) / 59 (13) / 1 (<1)  |
|                                               | 2               | 63 (13)                         | 53 (12)                      |
|                                               | 3               | 92 (18)                         | 89 (20)                      |
|                                               | 4               | 63 (13)                         | 57 (13)                      |
|                                               | 5 / 6 / Unknown | 18 (4) / 30 (6) / 2 (<1)        | 0 / 9 (2) / 0                |
| IFN experienced, n (%)                        |                 | 118 (24)                        | 100 (31)                     |
| IL28B CC, n (%)                               |                 | 166 (33)                        | 136 (31)                     |
| Mean HCV RNA, log <sub>10</sub> IU/mL (range) |                 | 6.1 (2.7–7.6)                   | 6.2 (4.0–7.6)                |

# POLARIS-2: SVR12 in GT1-6 Patients +/- Cirrhosis



# MK3: Uprifosbuvir/Grazoprevir/Ruzasvir

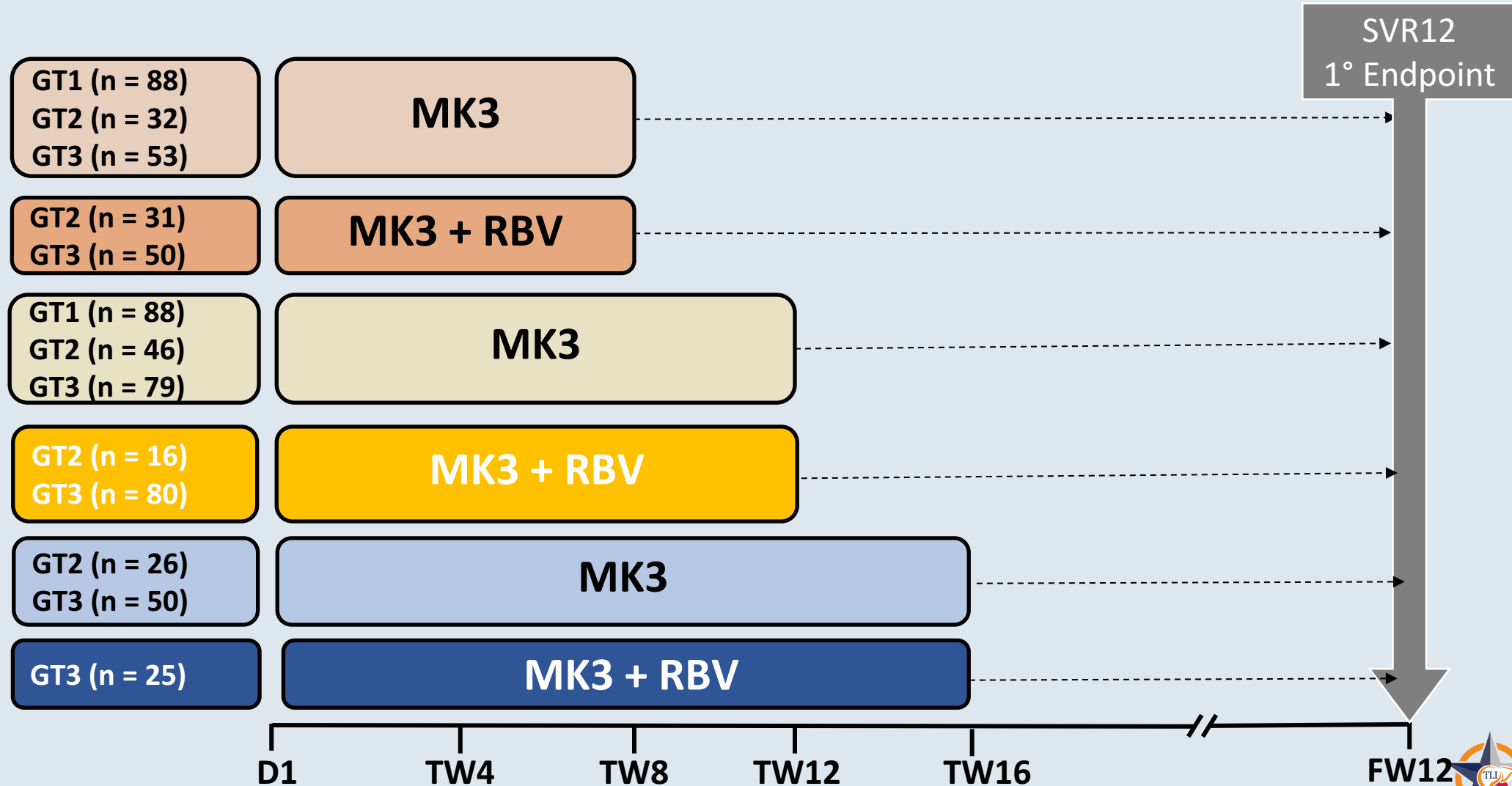
- MK3 is a three-drug regimen formulated into a fixed-dose combination tablet. The regimen is given as two tablets, once-daily, without regard to food.



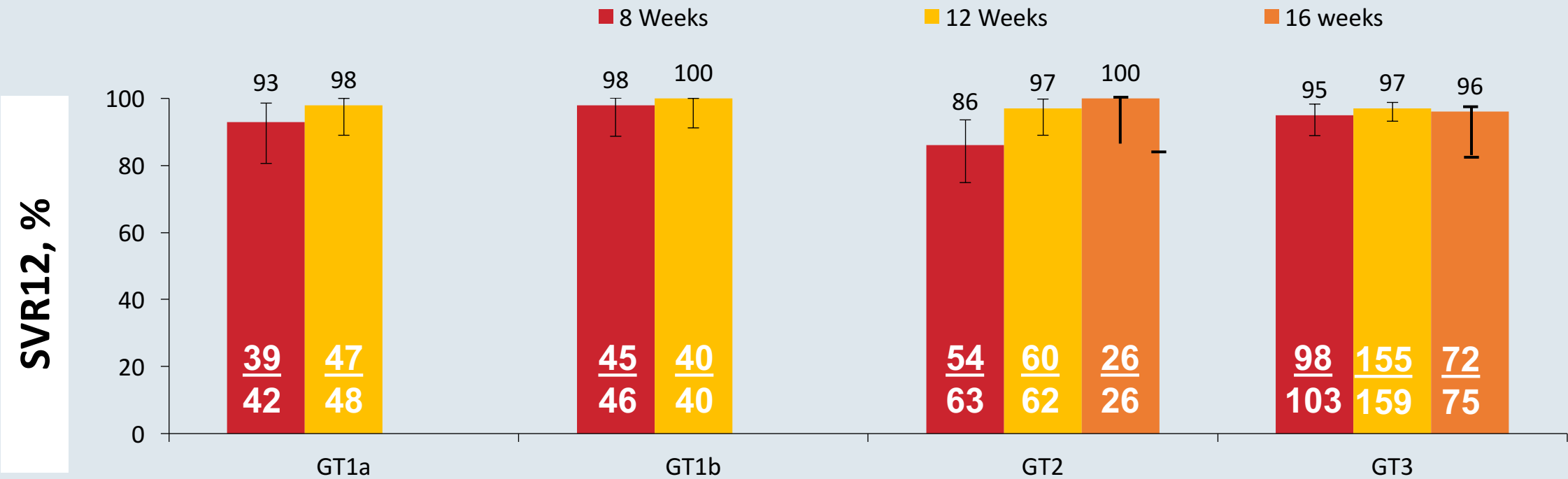


# C-CREST Design, Part B

(MK3: Uprifosbuvir/Grazoprevir/Ruzasvir; N=664)



# MK3 Regimen: SVR12 by Genotype: 8, 12 or 16 Weeks



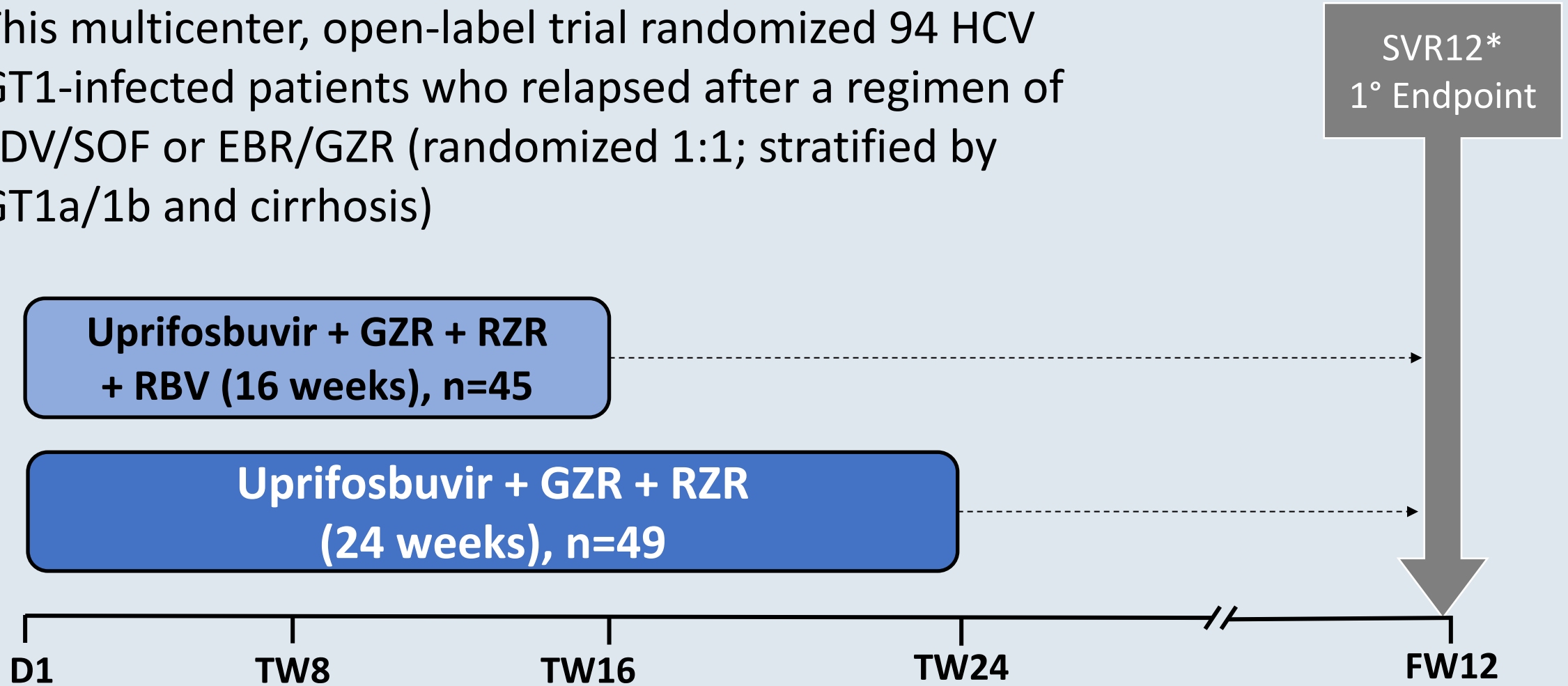
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|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Relapse                  | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Discontinuation (DR-AE)* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reinfection*             | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Non-virologic failure*   | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Lawitz E, et al. Abstract #110, AASLD 2016.

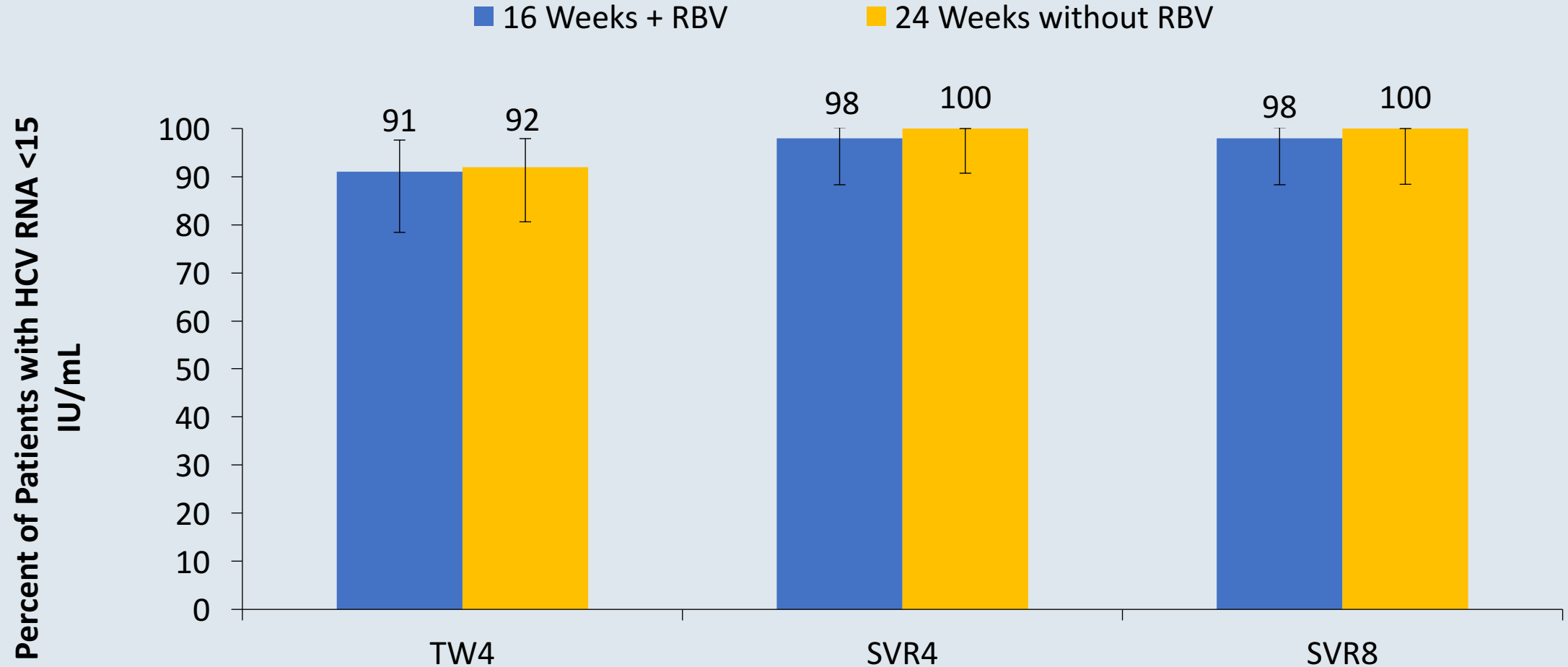


# C-SURGE: Study Design

This multicenter, open-label trial randomized 94 HCV GT1-infected patients who relapsed after a regimen of LDV/SOF or EBR/GZR (randomized 1:1; stratified by GT1a/1b and cirrhosis)



# C-SURGE: Virologic Response for M3+RBV x 16 Weeks vs M3 x 24 Weeks



# Summary

- Resistance associated substitutions (RASs) are common in patients not cured with DAA regimens
  - NS3 RASs are not persistent; NS5A RASs persist and represent a stable shift in the patient's HCV quasi-species
- SOF/VEL/VOX
  - Pan-genotypic and potent regimen that will be 8 weeks in duration for most patient types
  - For treatment naïve, 8 weeks of SOF/VEL/VOX no better than 12 weeks of SOF/VEL
- GLE/PIB (G/P)
  - Pan-genotypic and potent regimen that will be 8 weeks in duration for most patient types
- MK3 Regimen
  - Triple co-formulation of glazoprevir, ruzasvir, and uprifosbuvir
  - Pangenotypic and may be 8-16 weeks in various scenarios

# Roundtable Discussion/Q&A

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