

# **“Progressi nella terapia con DAA: dalla triplice ai regimi IFN-free”**

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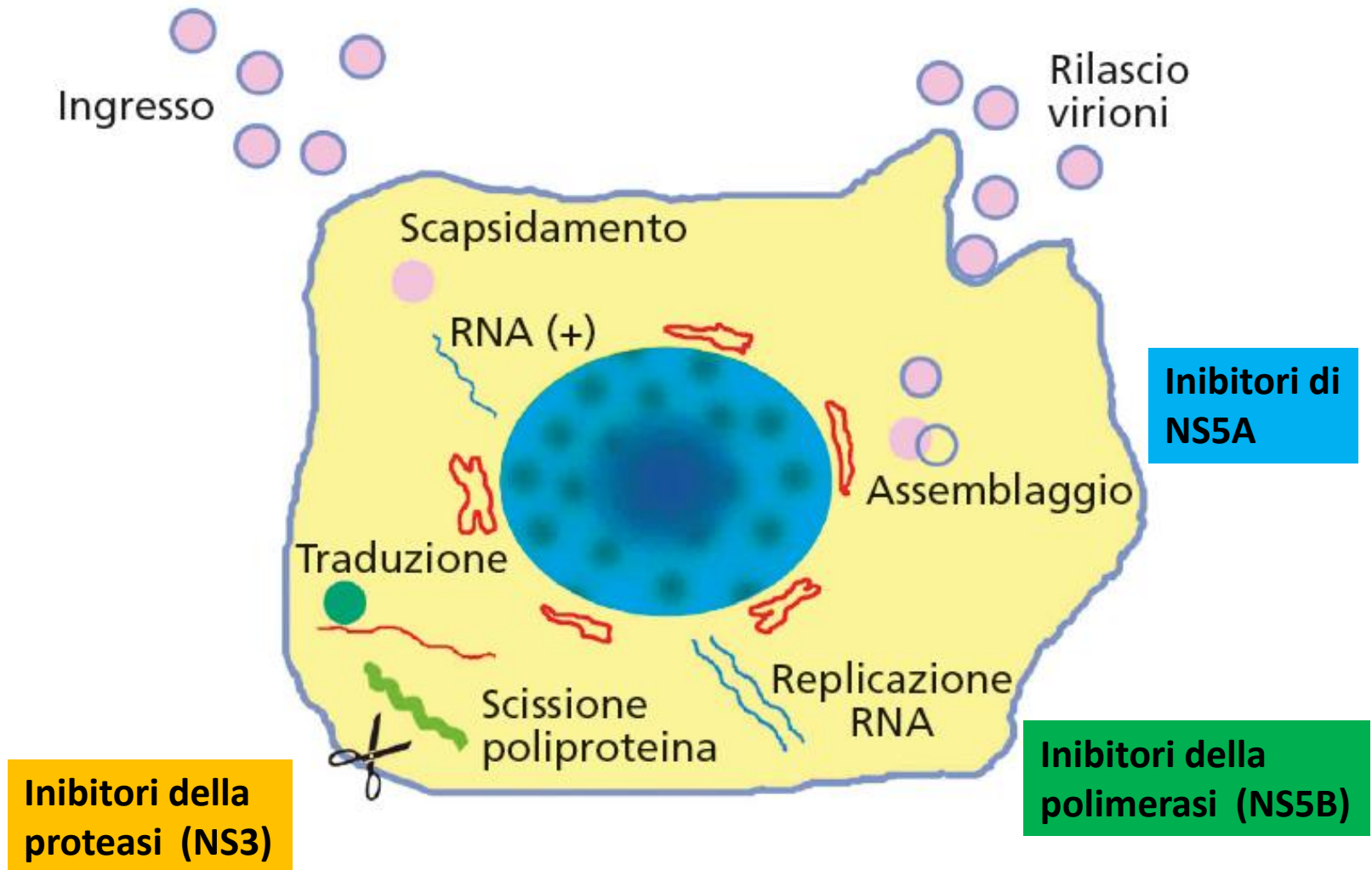
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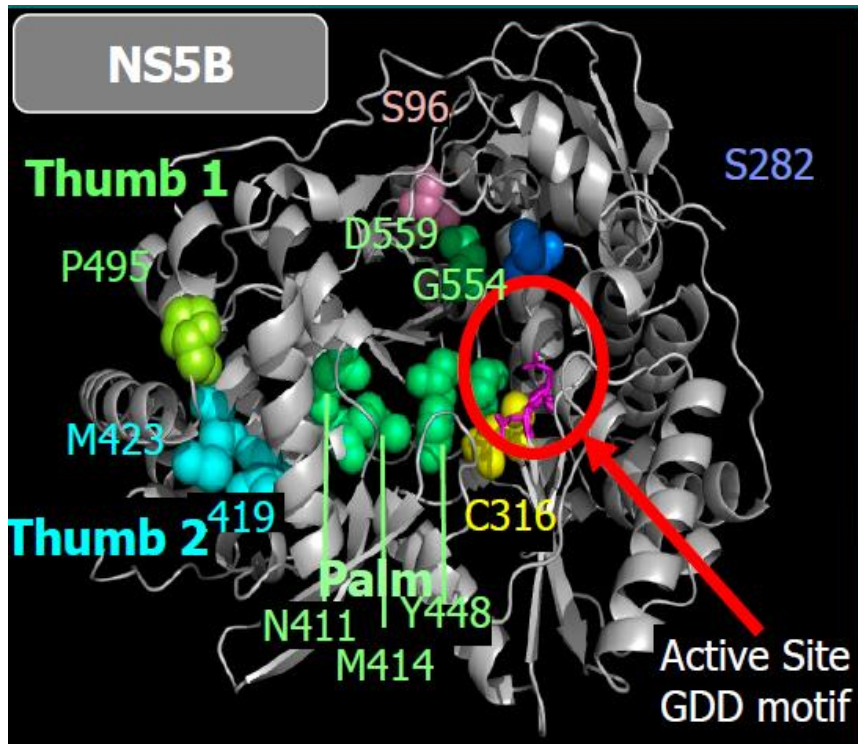
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# Ciclo di HCV e bersagli degli antivirali



# NS5B POL inhibitors



Active	<b>Active Site</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GS-6620</li> <li>sofosbuvir</li> <li>TMC-649128</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IDX-184</li> <li>GS-938</li> <li>mericitabine</li> </ul>

Allosteric	<b>Thumb 1</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BI207127</li> <li>BMS-791325</li> </ul>	
	<b>Thumb 2</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VX-222</li> <li>filibuvir</li> <li>GS-9669</li> </ul>	
	<b>Palm</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ABT-333</li> <li>ABT-072</li> <li>GS-9190</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>setrobuvir</li> </ul>

# NS5A inhibitors

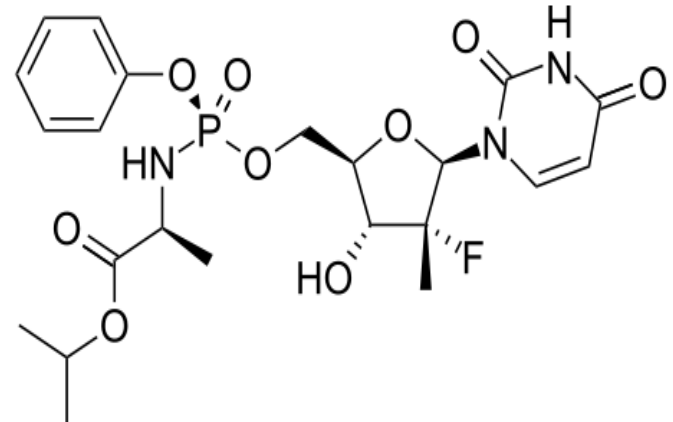
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- NS5A has no known enzymatic activity
- It plays essential roles in both viral genome replication and virus particle assembly
- NS5A inhibitors:
  - Interact with the NS5A N-terminus of Domain I
  - Block both *cis*- and *trans*-acting functions of NS5A
  - Alter the subcellular localization of NS5A into functional replication complexes therefore suppressing HCV RNA replication
  - Current drugs under development:
    - **Ombitasvir** (ABT-267) , **Daclatasvir**, **Ledipasvir**, PPI-461

# SOFOSBUVIR

- Nucleotide analog Pol inhibitor
- High genetic barrier
- Pan-genotypic
- One daily dose (400 mg)
- No food effect
- No drug interaction
- Generally safe and well-tolerated in clinical studies to date (>3,000 patients)



**NEUTRINO** - Sofo + PR in geno 1-4-5-6, for 12 weeks

**FISSION** – SOFO + RBV in geno 2/3

**FUSION** – SOFO + RBV in geno 2/3 experienced

## Combination with other DAA:

SOFO + LEDIPASVIR ± RBV

SOFO + SIMEPREVIR ± RBV

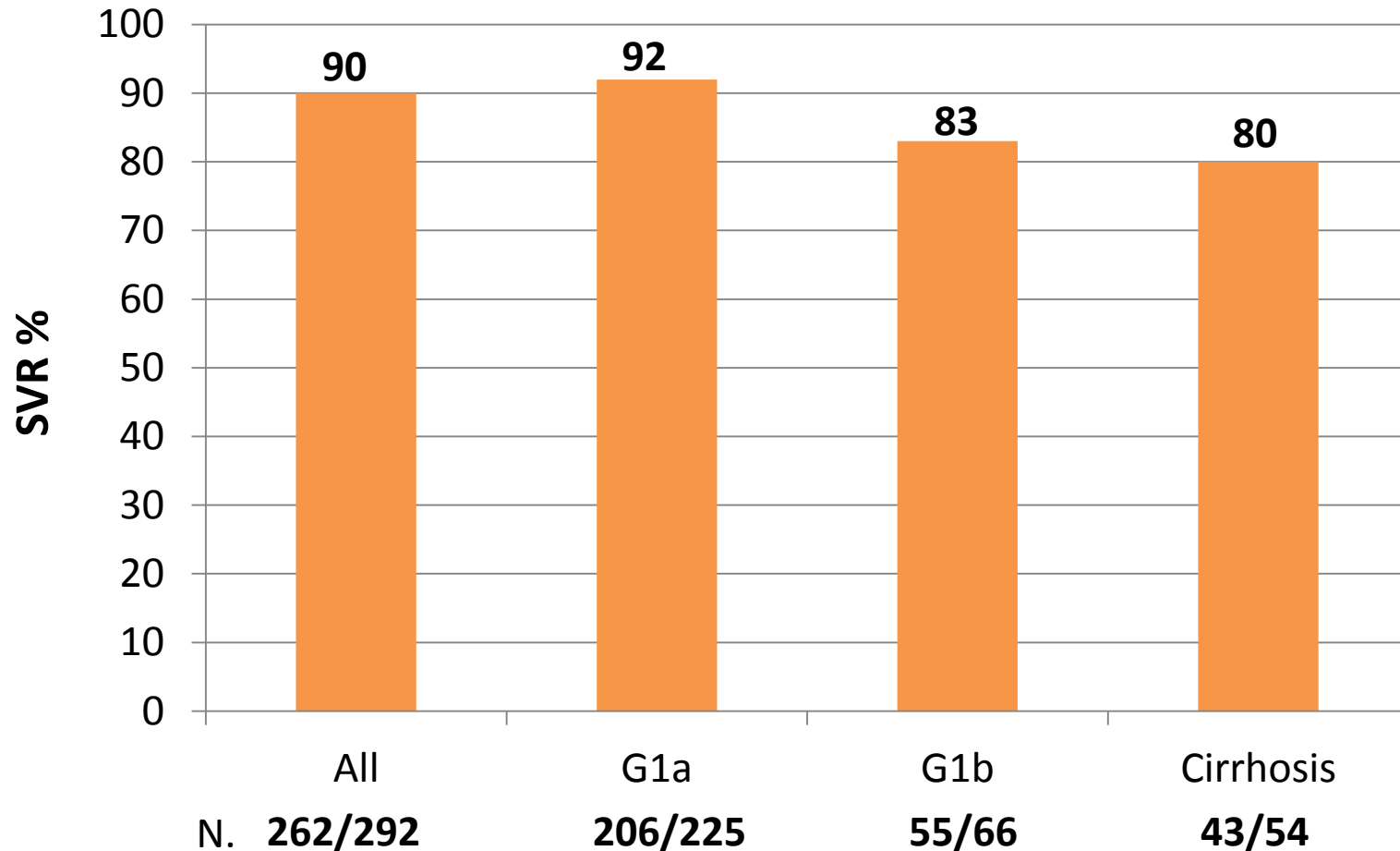
SOFO + Daclatasvir ± RBV

# Combinazioni con Sofosbuvir nel genotipo 1

Patient population (Study number/name)	Regimen/duration	Subgroup	SVR12 rate % (n/N)
Treatment-naïve <sup>a</sup> (NEUTRINO)	SOF + PEG-IFN + RBV 12 weeks	Overall	90% (262/292)
		GT 1a	92% (206/225)
		GT 1b	83% (55/66)
		No cirrhosis	93% (253/273)
		Cirrhosis	80% (43/54)
Treatment-naïve and co-infected with HIV (PHOTON-1)	SOF + RBV 24 weeks	Overall	76% (87/114)
		GT 1a	82% (74/90)
		GT 1b	54% (13/24)
		No cirrhosis	77% (84/109)
		Cirrhosis	60% (3/5)
Treatment-naïve (QUANTUM <sup>b</sup> and 11-1-0258 <sup>b</sup> )	SOF + RBV 24 weeks	Overall <sup>c</sup>	65% (104/159)
		GT 1a <sup>c</sup>	69% (84/121)
		GT 1b <sup>c</sup>	53% (20/38)
		No cirrhosis <sup>c</sup>	68% (100/148)
		Cirrhosis <sup>c</sup>	36% (4/11)

# SVR rates in HCV-1 with SOF +PR

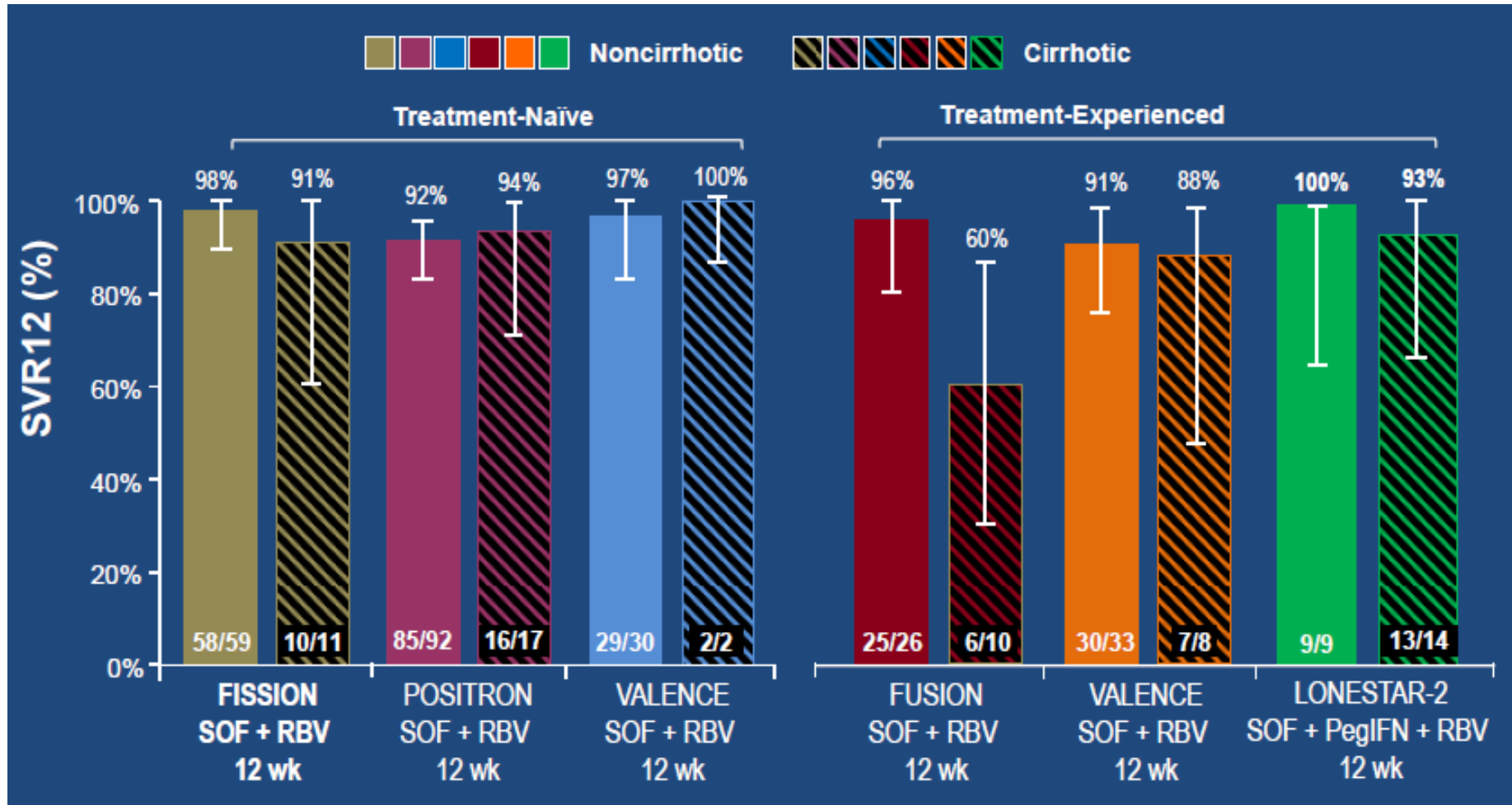
Single arm study; enrolled 327 patients with HCV genotype 1, 4, 5, or 6



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# SVR nel genotipo 2

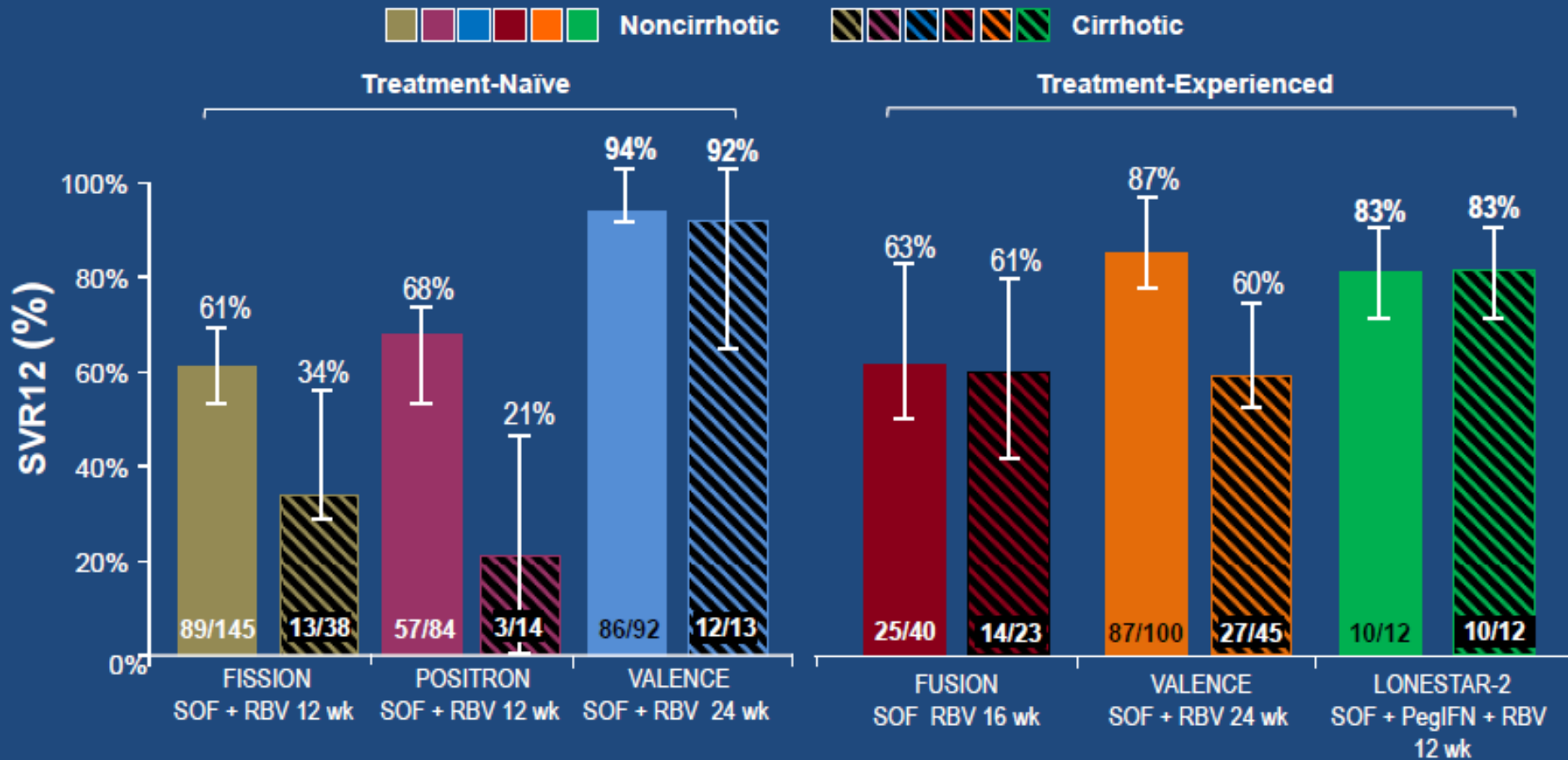


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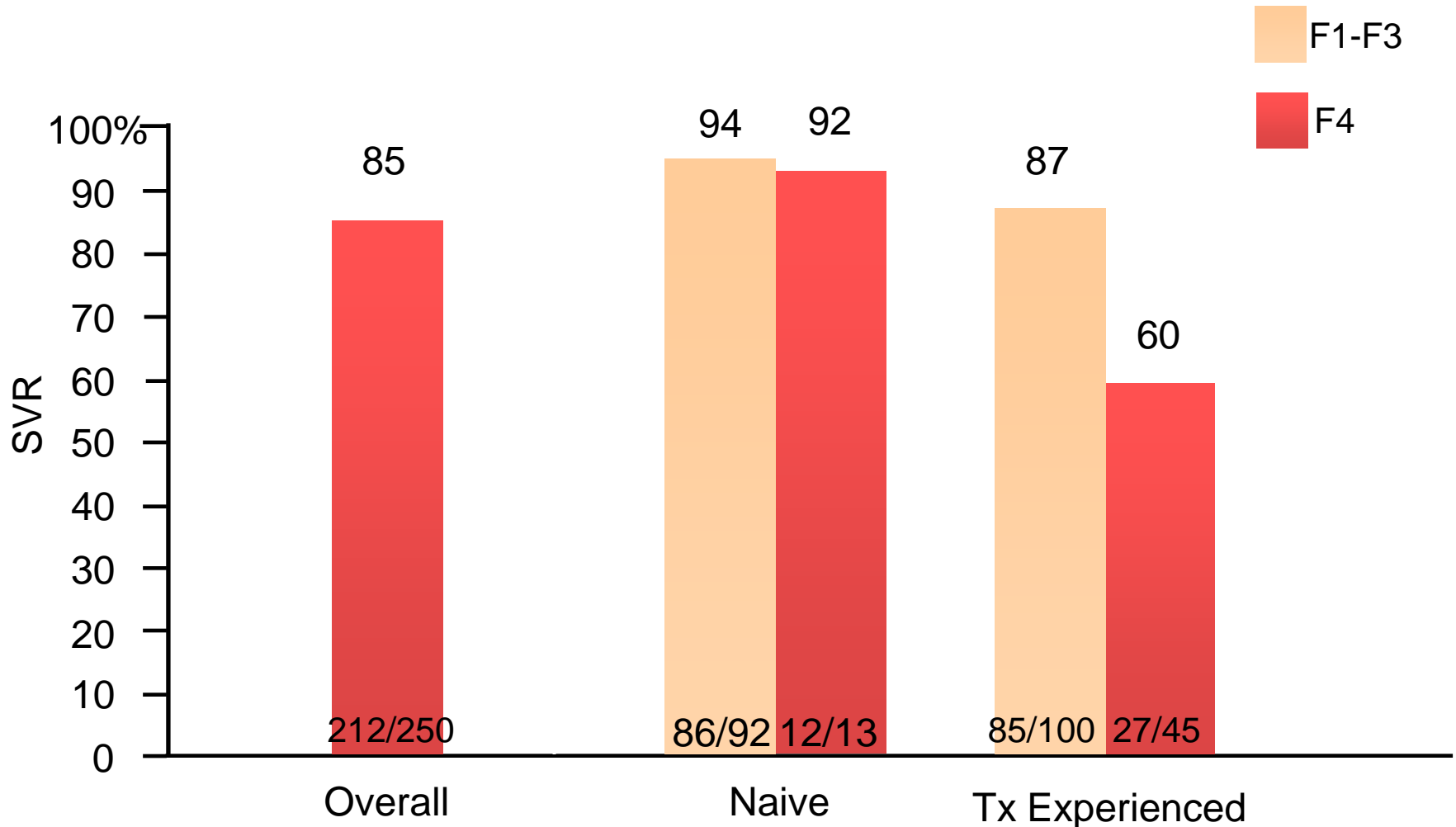
# SVR nel genotipo 3



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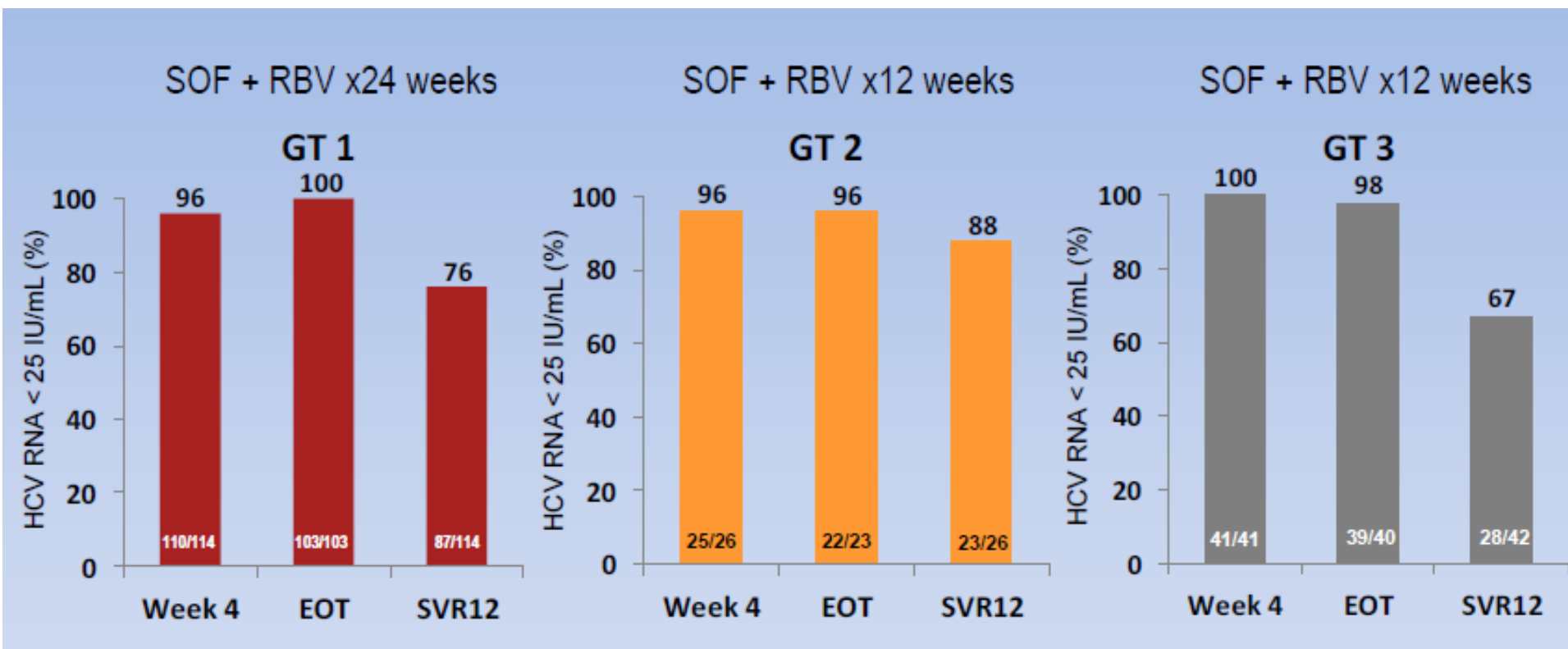
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# VALENCE: SVR to SOF + Rbv for 24 Weeks in HCV-3 Patients



# SOF + RBV in Treatment-Naive HIV/HCV Coinfection

## PHOTON-1 Virologic Response



**SVR Gen 1a = 82%**  
**Gen 1b = 54%**

# Indicazioni attuali di Sofosbuvir

Popolazione di pazienti*	Trattamento	Durata
Pazienti con CHC di genotipo 1, 4, 5 o 6	Sovaldi + ribavirina + peginterferone alfa	12 settimane <sup>a, b</sup>
	Sovaldi + ribavirina Da utilizzare solo per i pazienti non eleggibili o intolleranti a peginterferone alfa (vedere paragrafo 4.4)	24 settimane
Pazienti con CHC di genotipo 2	Sovaldi + ribavirina	12 settimane <sup>b</sup>
Pazienti con CHC di genotipo 3	Sovaldi + ribavirina + peginterferone alfa	12 settimane <sup>b</sup>
	Sovaldi + ribavirina	24 settimane
Pazienti con CHC in attesa di trapianto di fegato	Sovaldi + ribavirina	Fino al trapianto di fegato <sup>c</sup>

\*Include i pazienti con co-infezione da virus dell'immunodeficienza umana (HIV).

# **Problemi aperti con Sofosbuvir**

- **Non vi sono dati di fase 3 in pazienti experienced**
- **Non sperimentato in null responder alla triplice attuale**
- **Pochi pazienti G1b con cirrosi**
- **Assenza di dati nel cirrotico scompensato**
- **Il genotipo 3 è il più difficile**

# SIMEPREVIR



- HCV NS3/4A protease inhibitor
  - Competitive reversible macrocyclic non-covalent inhibitor of NS3/4A protease
  - Broad genotype coverage with antiviral activity against HCV genotype 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 isolates
- One 150 mg capsule, once-daily dosing with food
  - Exposure increased by ~60% with any type of food
  - Targeted to the liver, substrate of transporter OATP
  - Excretion primarily via feces, minimal in urine (<1%)
  - Metabolism primarily via CYP3A

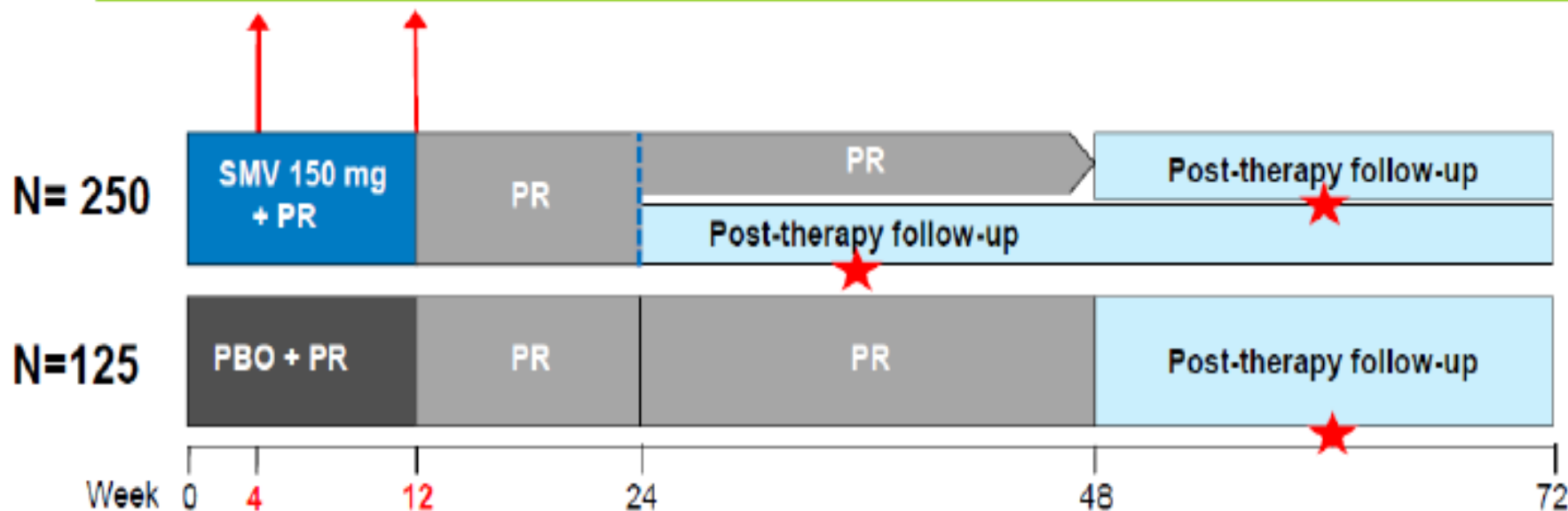
OATP = organic anion transporter protein; CYP3A = cytochrome P450 3A

# SIMEPREVIR: disegno dei trial

(QUEST-1; QUEST-2; PROMISE)

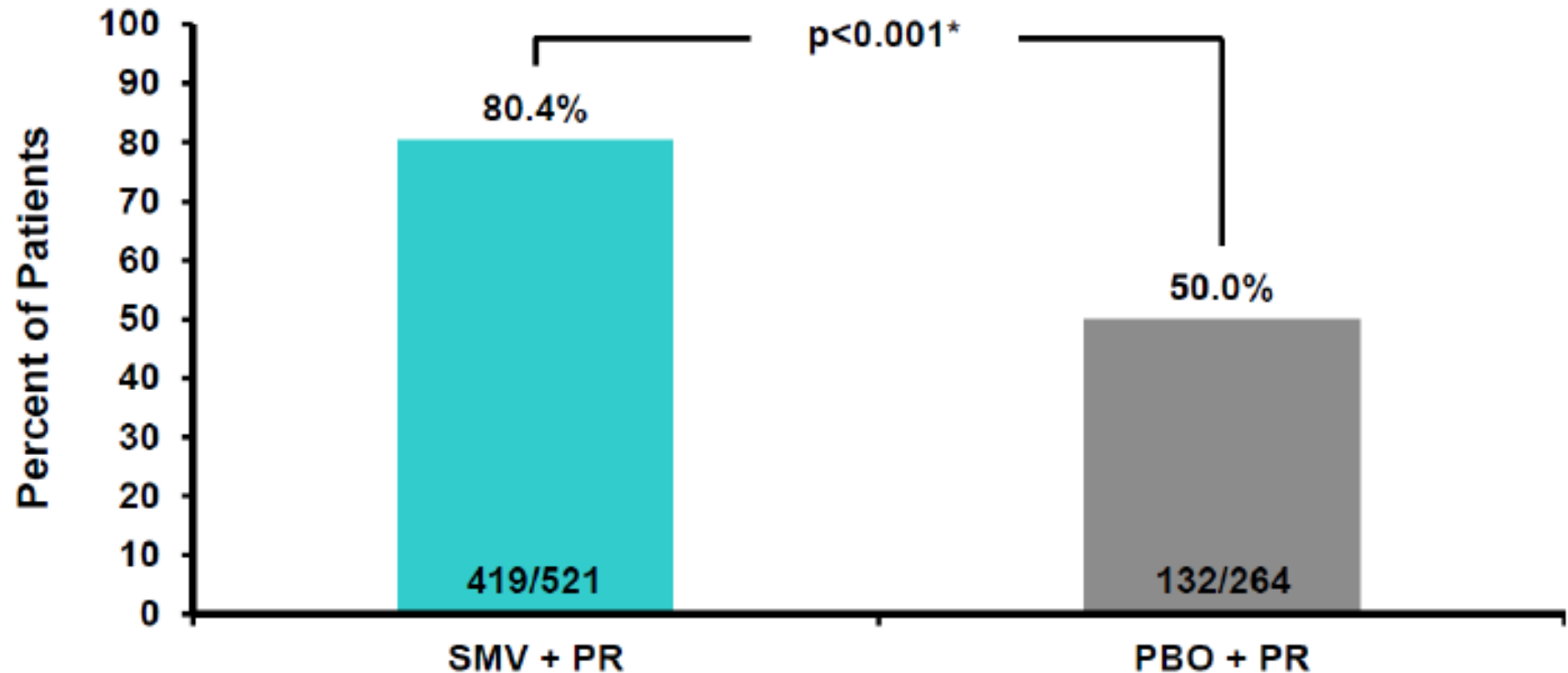
## Response-Guided Therapy (RGT) criteria to guide PR treatment duration:

- HCV RNA <25 IU/mL at **Week 4** and HCV RNA undetectable at **Week 12** → 24 weeks
- HCV RNA ≥25 IU/mL at **Week 4** or HCV RNA detectable at **Week 12** → 48 weeks



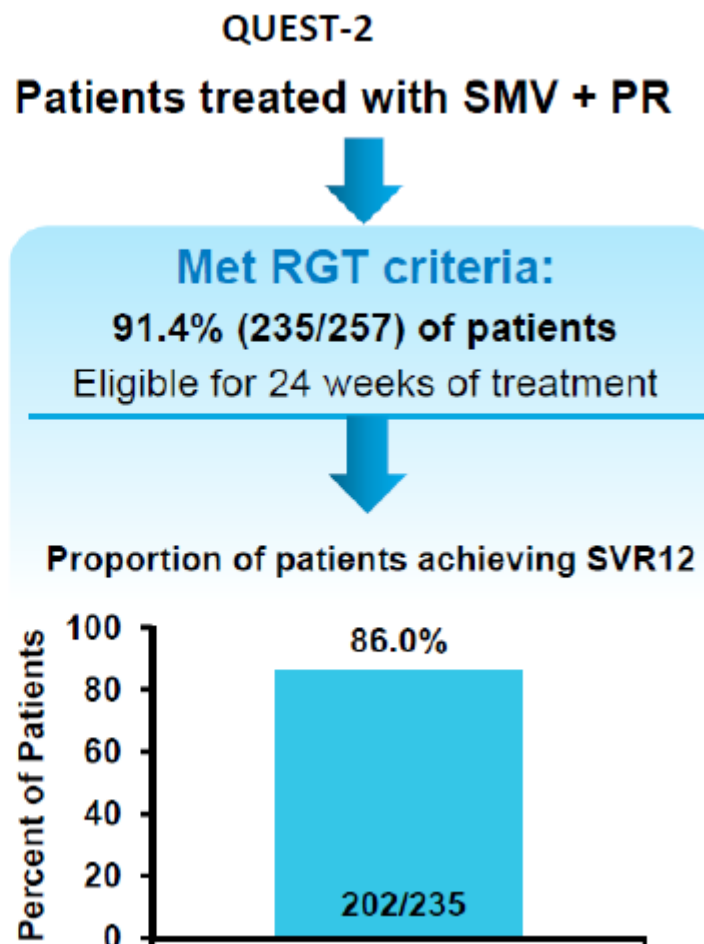
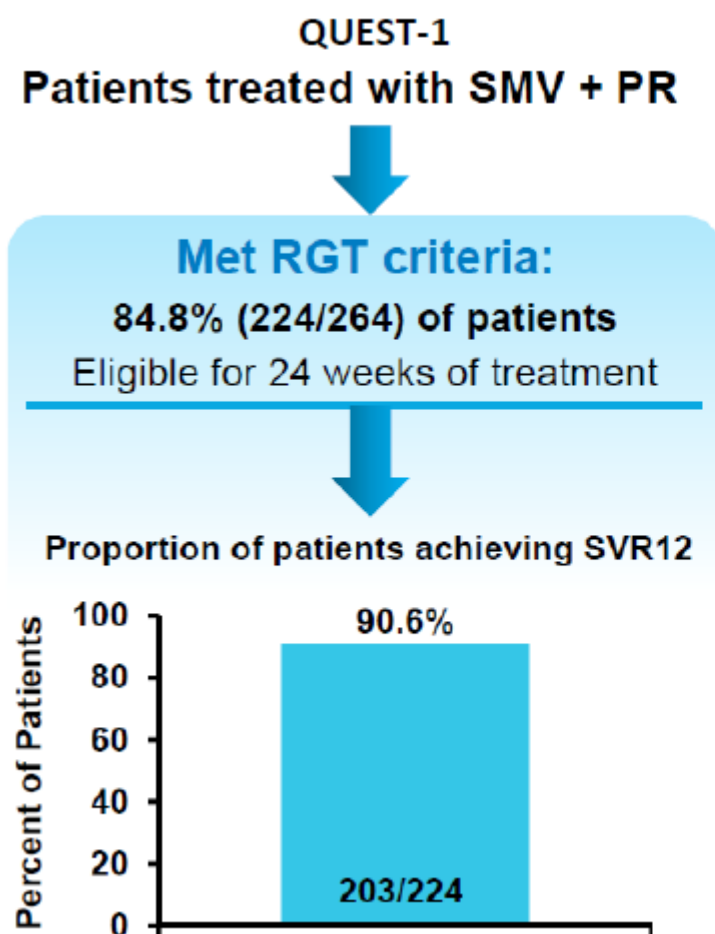


# QUEST-1 (C208) and QUEST-2 (C216) – Treatment-Naïve: Primary Analysis Efficacy Pooling

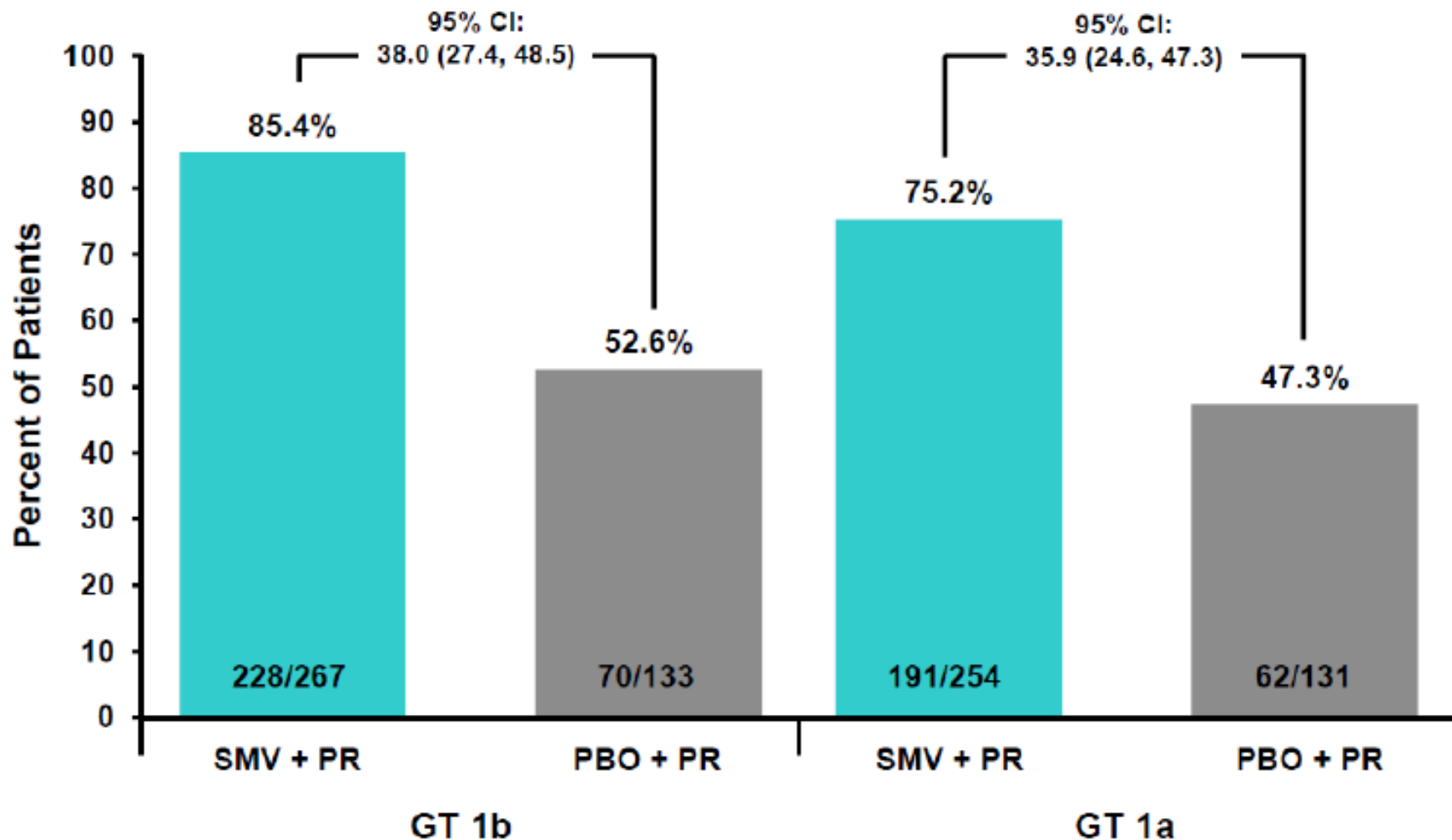


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# Treatment-Naïve: RGT Duration and SVR12

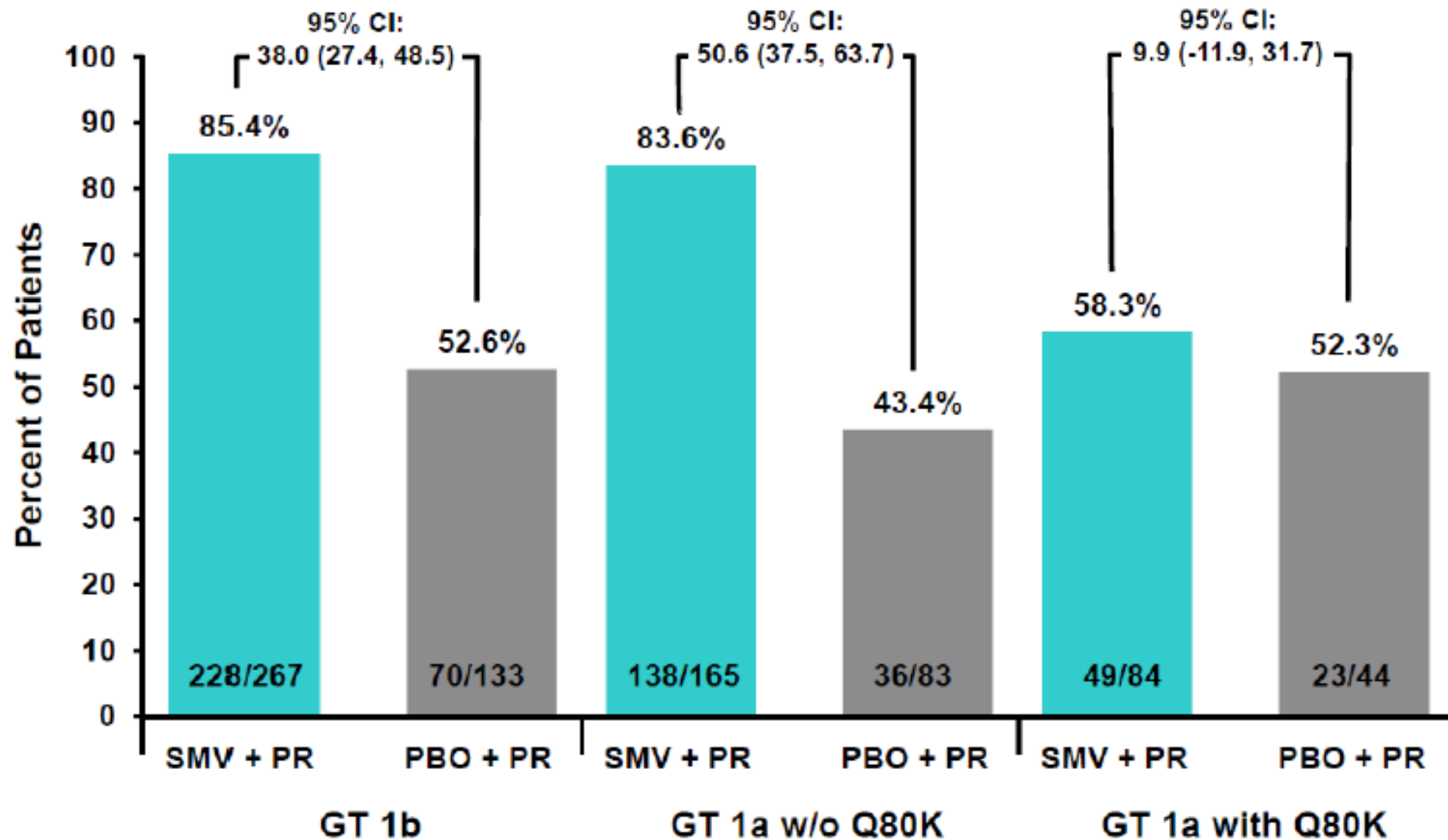


## *Proportion of Patients with SVR according to G1a/G1b*



# Genotype 1a and 1b With and Without Q80

## Proportion of Patients with SVR



# OLYSIO prescribing information

**Table 1: Duration of Treatment with OLYSIO, Peginterferon Alfa and Ribavirin**

	<b>Treatment with OLYSIO, Peginterferon alfa and Ribavirin*</b>	<b>Treatment with Peginterferon alfa and Ribavirin*</b>	<b>Total Treatment Duration<sup>‡</sup></b>
<b>Treatment-naïve and prior relapser patients<sup>†</sup> including those with cirrhosis</b>	First 12 weeks	Additional 12 weeks	24 weeks
<b>Prior non-responder patients<sup>‡</sup> (including partial and null responders) including those with cirrhosis</b>	First 12 weeks	Additional 36 weeks	48 weeks

**THERAPY SHOULD BE STOPPED IF HCV-RNA > 25 IU/mL AT WEEK 4**

## **SIDE EFFECTS AND WARNING with Simeprevir**

- Photosensitivity
- Rash
- Hyperbilirubinaemia (transporter)
- DDI
- Systemic exposure variable in HCV infected

# The next step

All oral combinations :

SOFOSBUVIR + SIMEPREVIR

SOFOSBUVIR + LEDIPASVIR

SOFOSBUVIR + DACLATASVIR

SIMEPREVIR + DACLATASVIR

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SVR > 90 %



# Drug combination development



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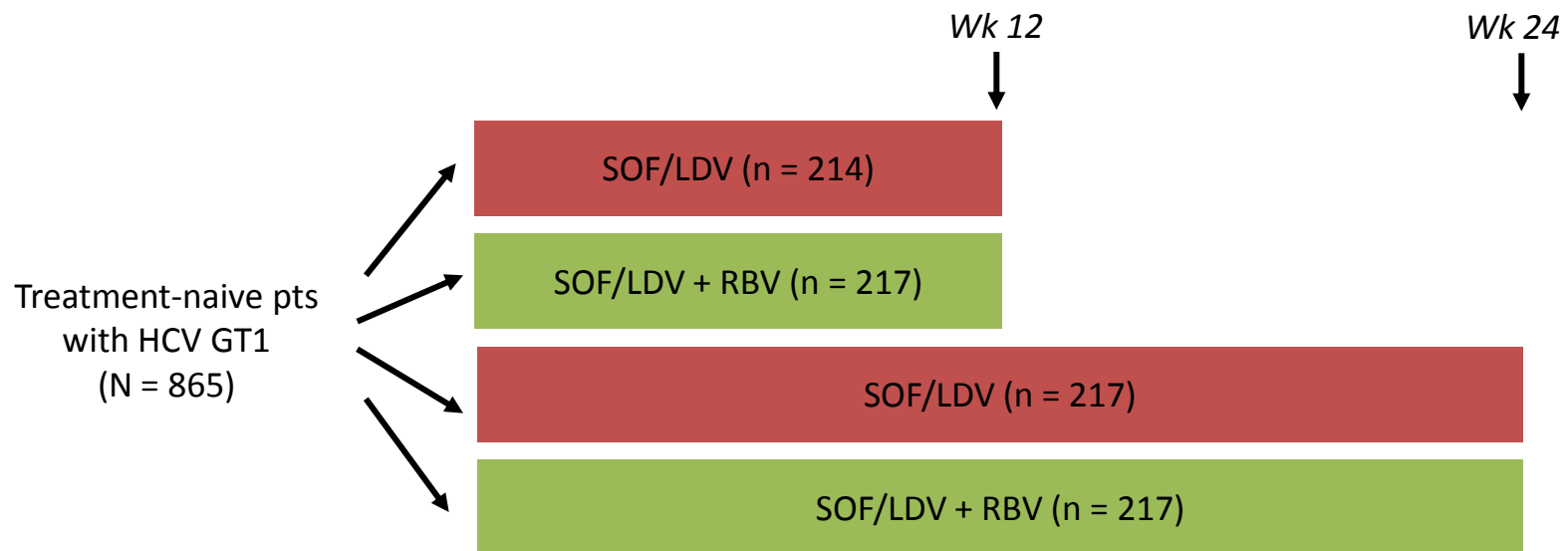


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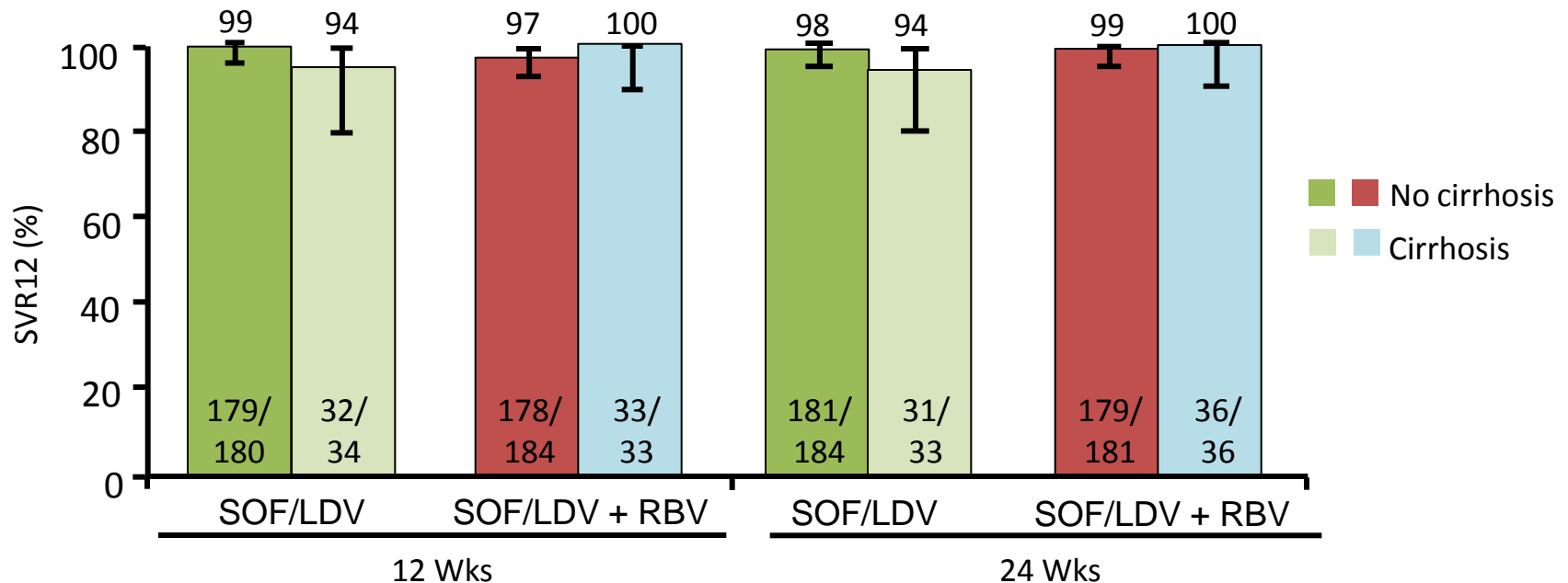
# ION 1: SOF/LDV FDC ± RBV for 12 or 24 Wks in Treatment-Naive GT1 Patients

- Open-label phase III trial<sup>[1,2]</sup>
- 15% to 17% of participants had cirrhosis



Sofosbuvir/ledipasvir 400/90 mg FDC tablet once daily; weight-based RBV 1000-1200 mg/day.

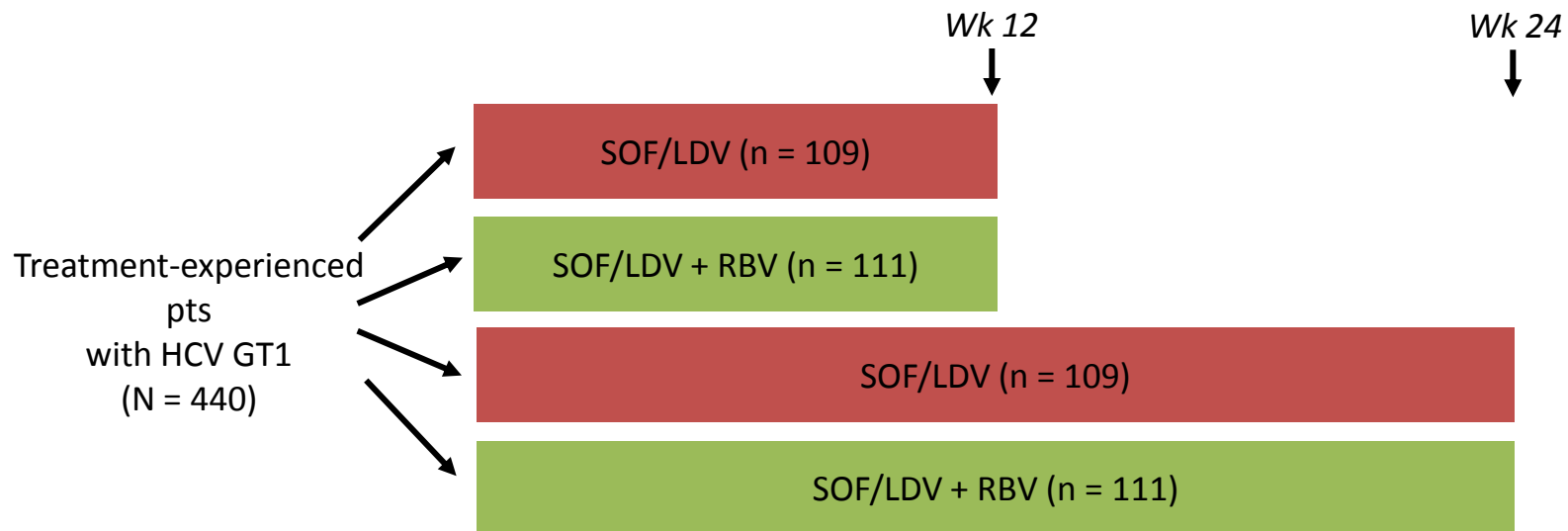
# ION 1: SVR12 With 12 or 24 Wks SOF/LDV $\pm$ RBV in Tx-Naive Pts by Cirrhosis Status



- SVR12 rates did not differ by GT1a vs GT1b in any treatment arm
- Virologic failure: 1 breakthrough in 24-wk SOF/LDV; 2 relapses (1 in 12-wk SOF/LDV, 1 in 24-wk SOF/LDV)
- 16% of patients had NS5A resistance-associated variants at baseline; 96% of these achieved SVR12

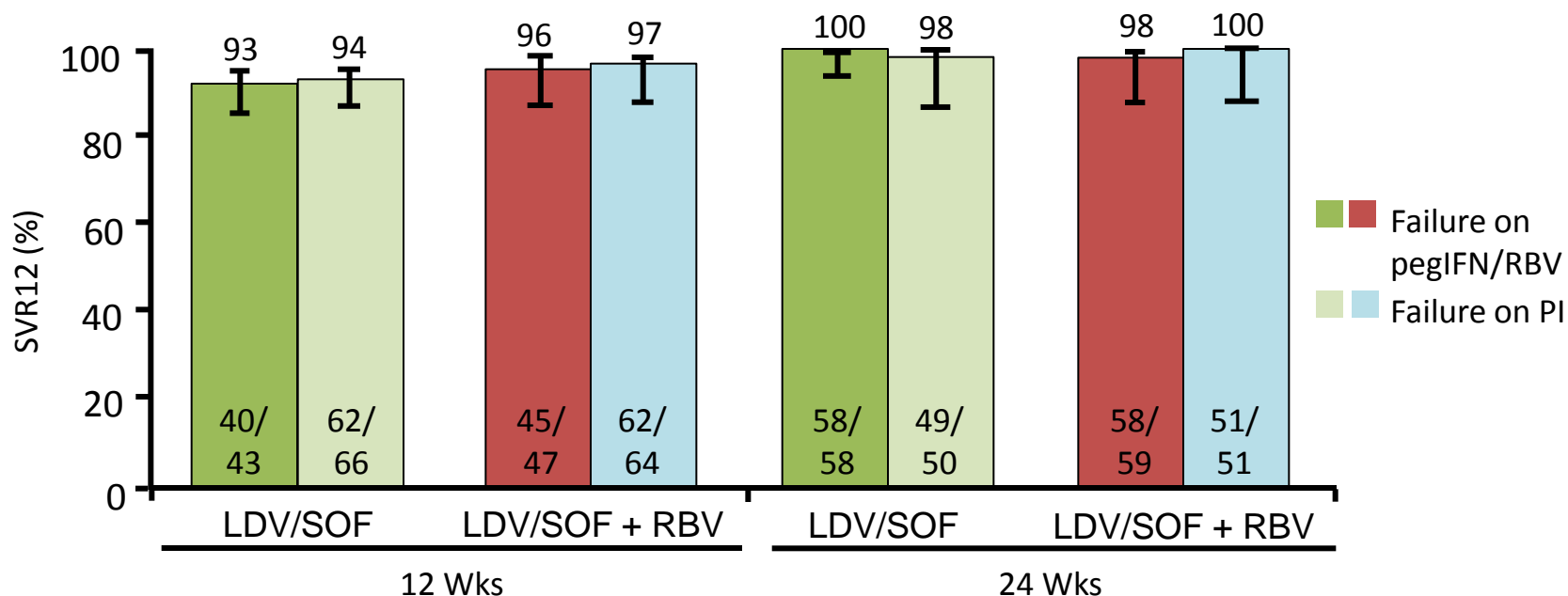
# ION 2: SOF/LDV FDC $\pm$ RBV for 12 or 24 Wks in Treatment-Experienced GT1 Pts

- Open-label phase III trial<sup>[1,2]</sup>
- 20% of participants had cirrhosis, 41% to 46% were previous nonresponders, and 46% to 61% had failed a PI



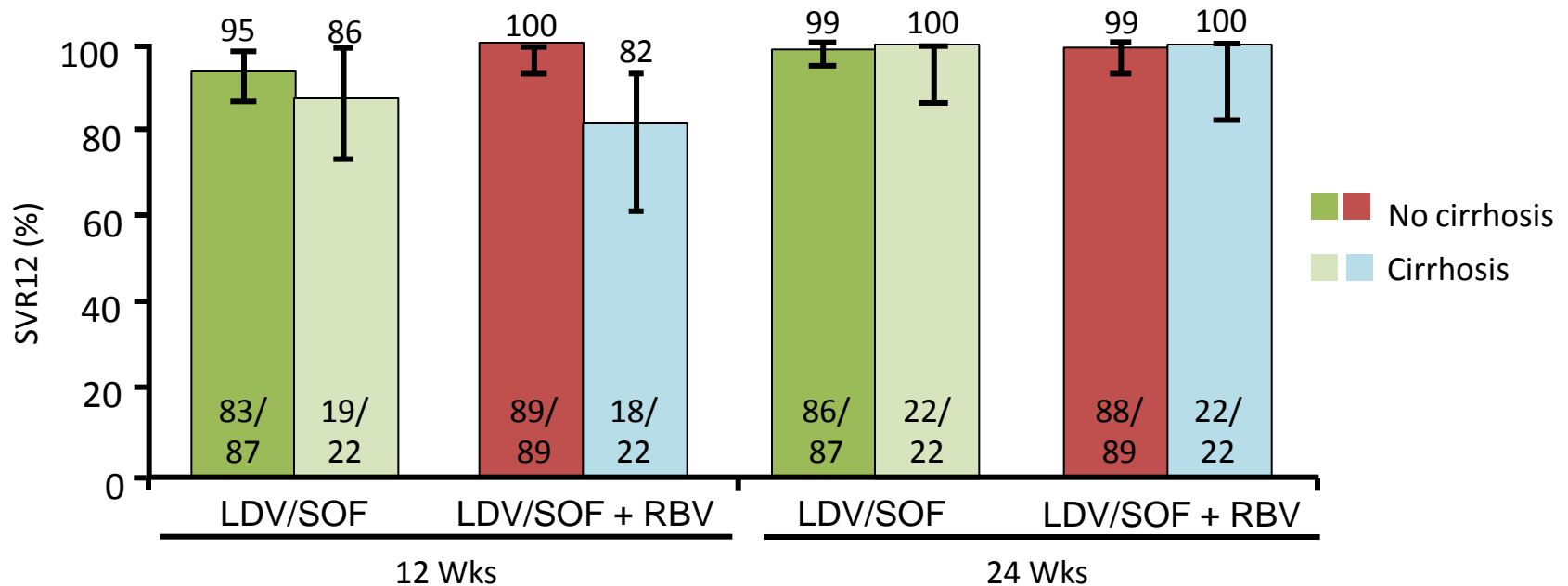
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# ION 2: SVR12 With 12 or 24 Wks SOF/LDV $\pm$ RBV by Treatment History



- Virologic failure: 1 breakthrough in 24-wk SOF/LDV/RBV due to nonadherence; 11 relapses (7 in 12-wk SOF/LDV, 4 in 12-wk SOF/LDV/RBV)
- 14% of patients had NS5A resistance-associated variants at baseline; 89% of these achieved SVR12

# ION 2: SVR12 With 12 or 24 Wks of SOF/LDV $\pm$ RBV by Cirrhosis Status



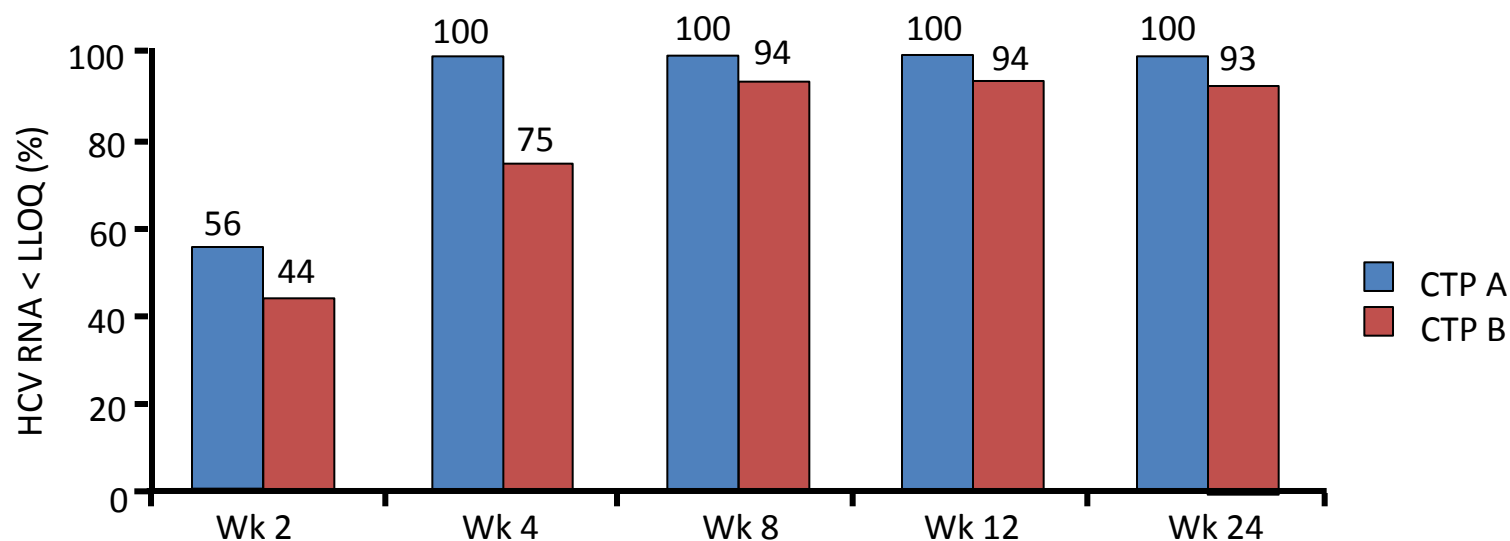
- SVR12 rates were significantly lower in cirrhotic vs noncirrhotic patients in the pooled 12-wk arms

# ION 2: Adverse Events

AEs, n (%)	12 Wks		24 Wks	
	SOF/LDV (n = 109)	SOF/LDV + RBV (n = 111)	SOF/LDV (n = 109)	SOF/LDV + RBV (n = 111)
Any AE	73 (67)	96 (86)	88 (81)	100 (90)
Grade 3/4 AEs	2 (2)	3 (3)	10 (9)	8 (7)
Any serious AE	0	0	6 (6)	3 (3)
AE leading to discontinuation	0	0	0	0
Grade 3/4 laboratory abnormalities	5 (5)	15 (14)	9 (8)	27 (24)
▪ Hemoglobin < 10 g/dL	0	2 (2)	0	9 (8)
▪ Hemoglobin < 8.5 g/dL	0	0	0	2 (2)



# Virologic Response to SOF + RBV in Patients With Portal Hypertension



Clinical Events, n	Ascites		Hepatic Encephalopathy	
	SOF + RBV (n = 25)	Observation (n = 25)	SOF + RBV (n = 25)	Observation (n = 25)
Baseline	6	9	5	2
Wk 12	5	8	3	3
Wk 24	0	7	0	4

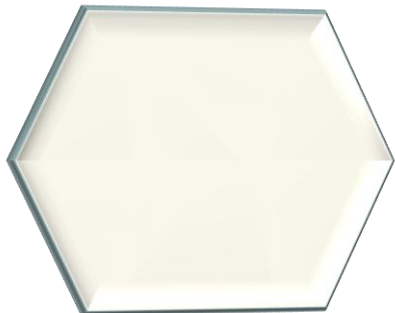
# Drug combination development



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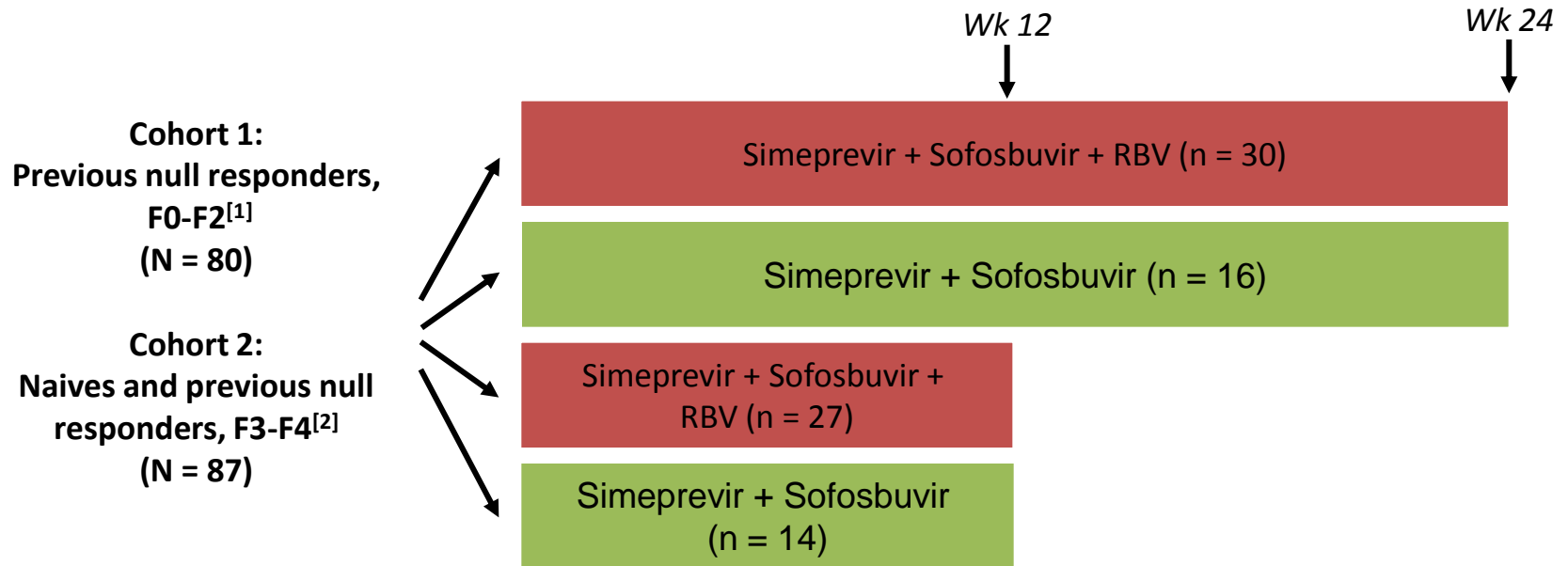


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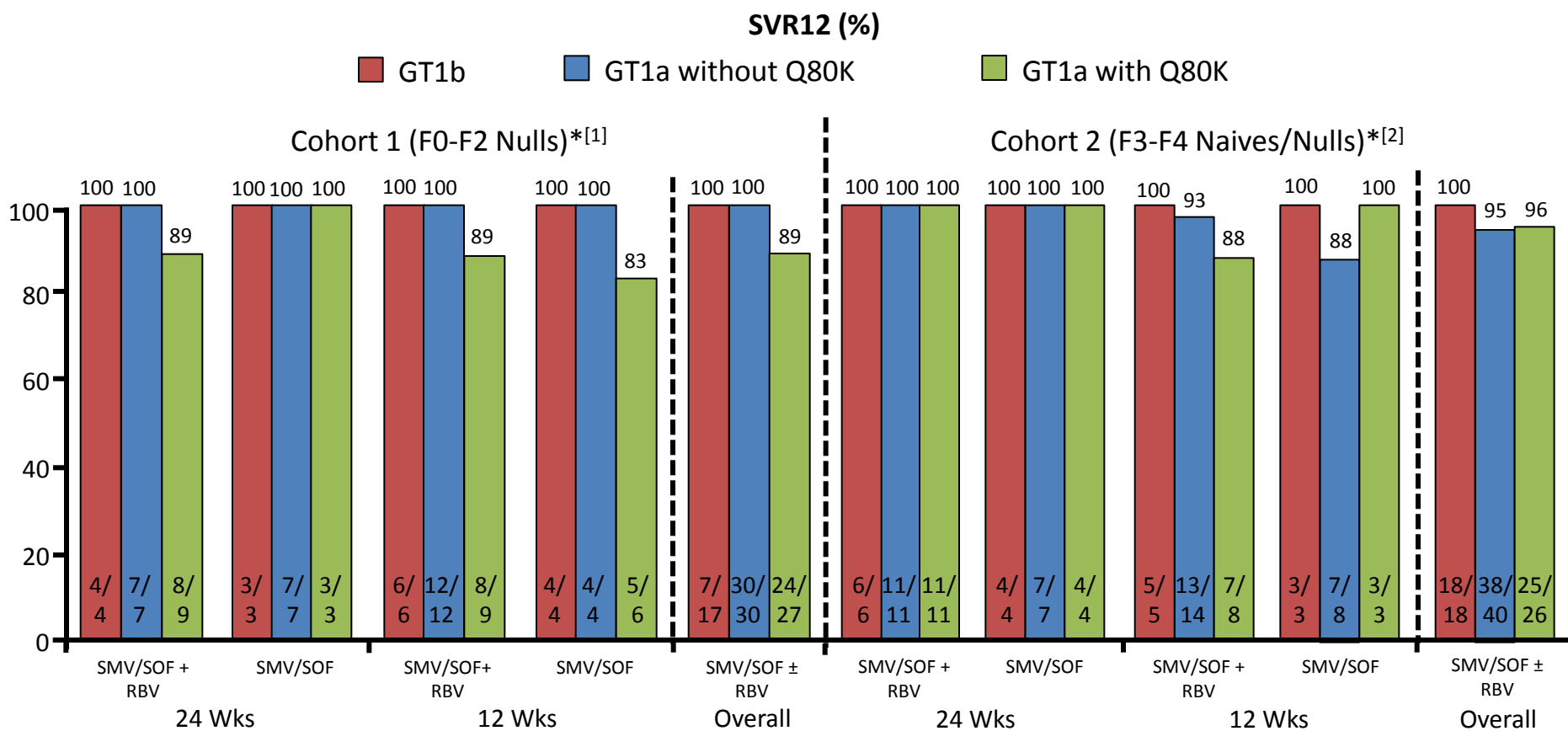
# COSMOS: Simeprevir + Sofosbuvir $\pm$ RBV in Genotype 1 HCV Patients

- Randomized phase IIa study



Simeprevir 150 mg QD; sofosbuvir 400 mg QD; weight-based RBV 1000-1200 mg/day.

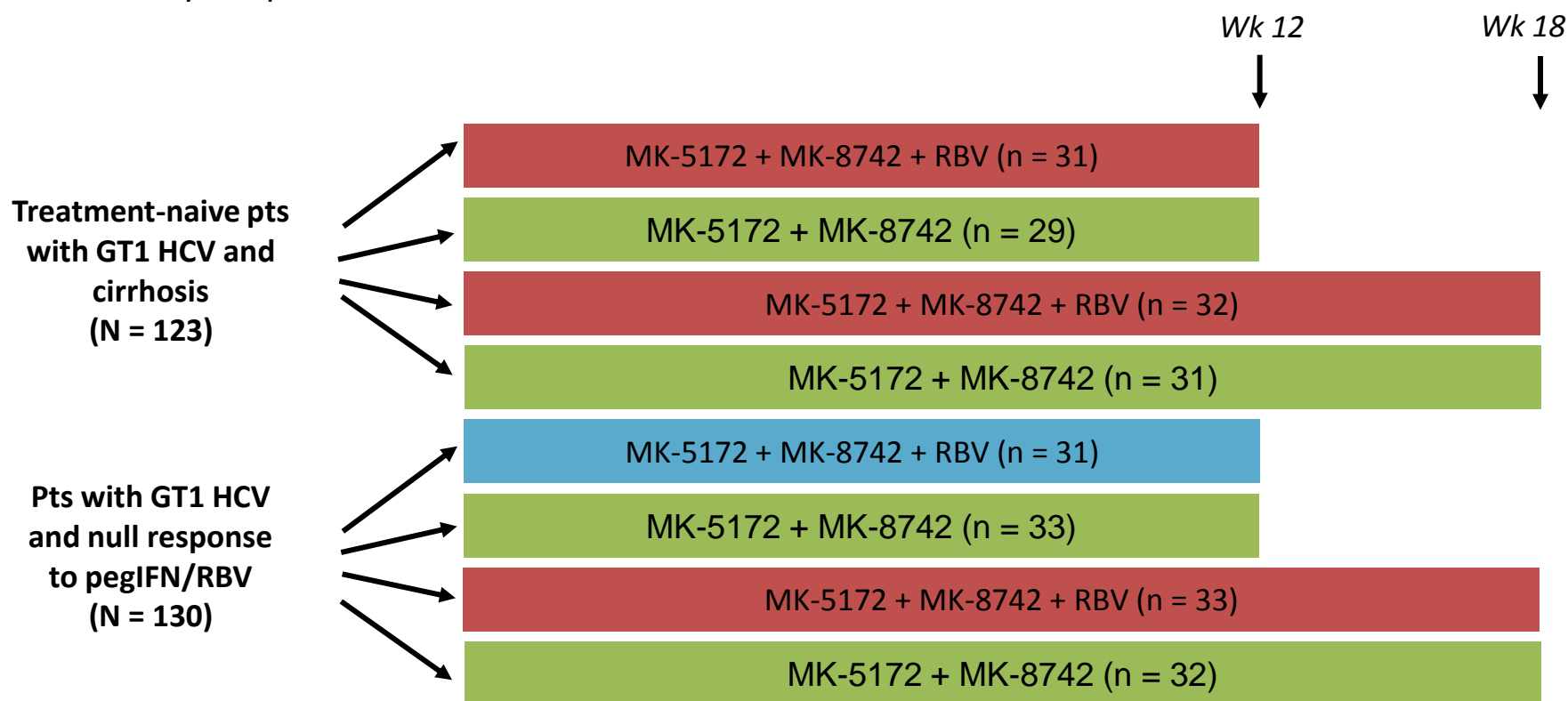
# COSMOS: SVR12 in Cohorts 1 and 2 by HCV Subgenotype and Baseline Q80K



\*Excluding patients who discontinued for nonvirologic reasons.

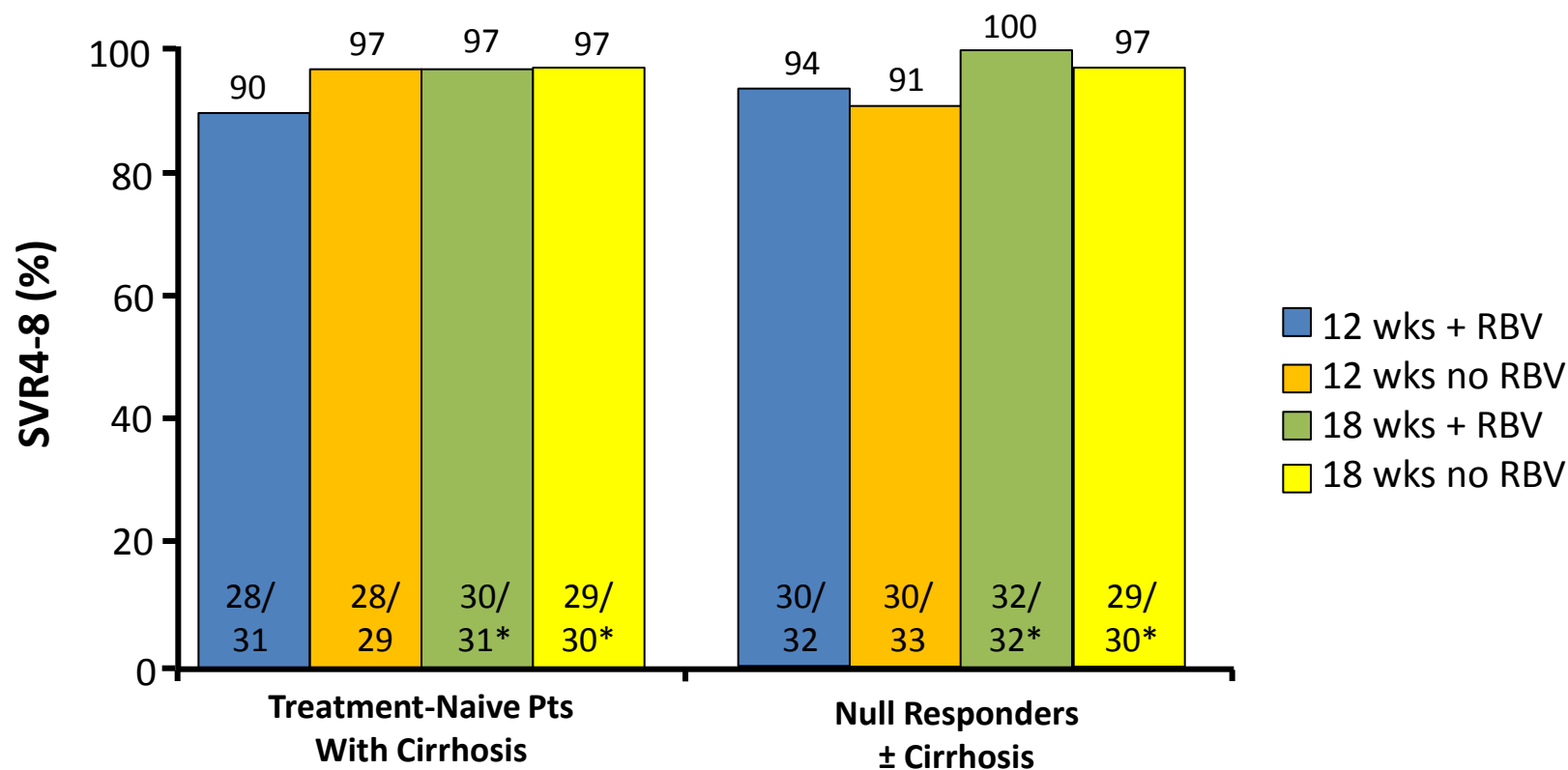
# C-WORTHY: MK-5172 + MK-8742 ± RBV in GT1 Cirrhotics and Null Responders

- Interim results from a randomized phase IIb trial
- Primary endpoint: SVR12



MK-5172 100 mg once daily; MK-8742 50 mg once daily, RBV 1000-1200 mg divided twice daily.

# C-WORTHY: Interim Results in Treatment-Naive Cirrhotic Pts and Null Responders



\*Excludes patients who have not yet reached SVR4 time point.

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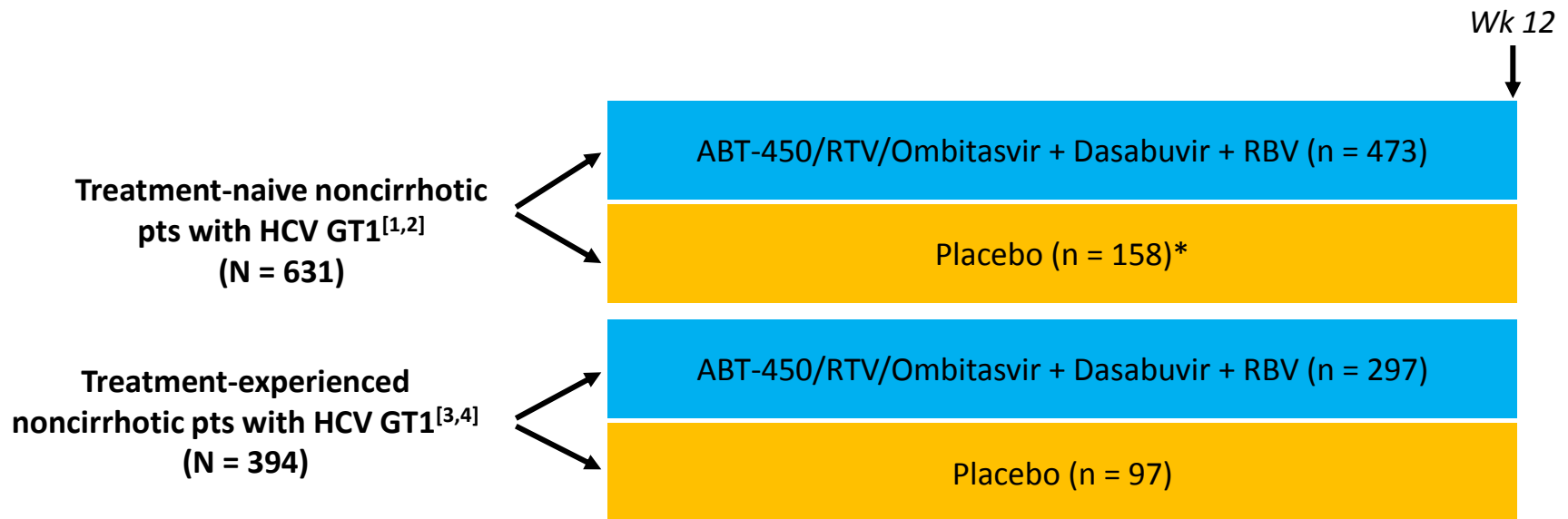
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# SAPPHERE I & II: ABT-450/RTV/Ombitasvir + Dasabuvir + RBV in Noncirrhotic GT1 Pts

- Double-blind, placebo-controlled phase III trials in treatment-naïve (SAPPHERE I) and treatment-experienced (SAPPHERE II) GT1 HCV pts

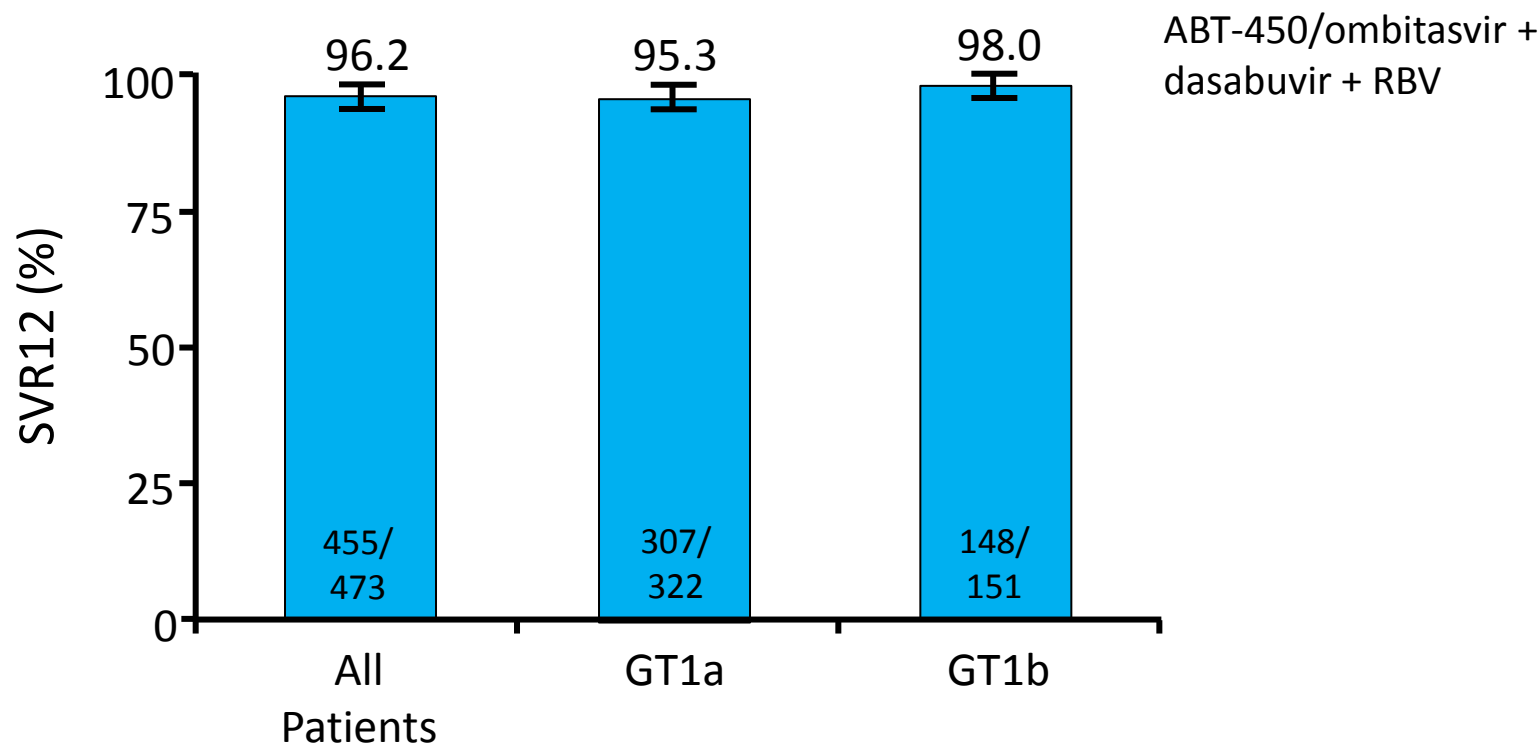


ABT-450/RTV/ombitasvir 150/100/25 mg once daily; dasabuvir 250 mg twice daily; RBV 1000-1200 mg/day.

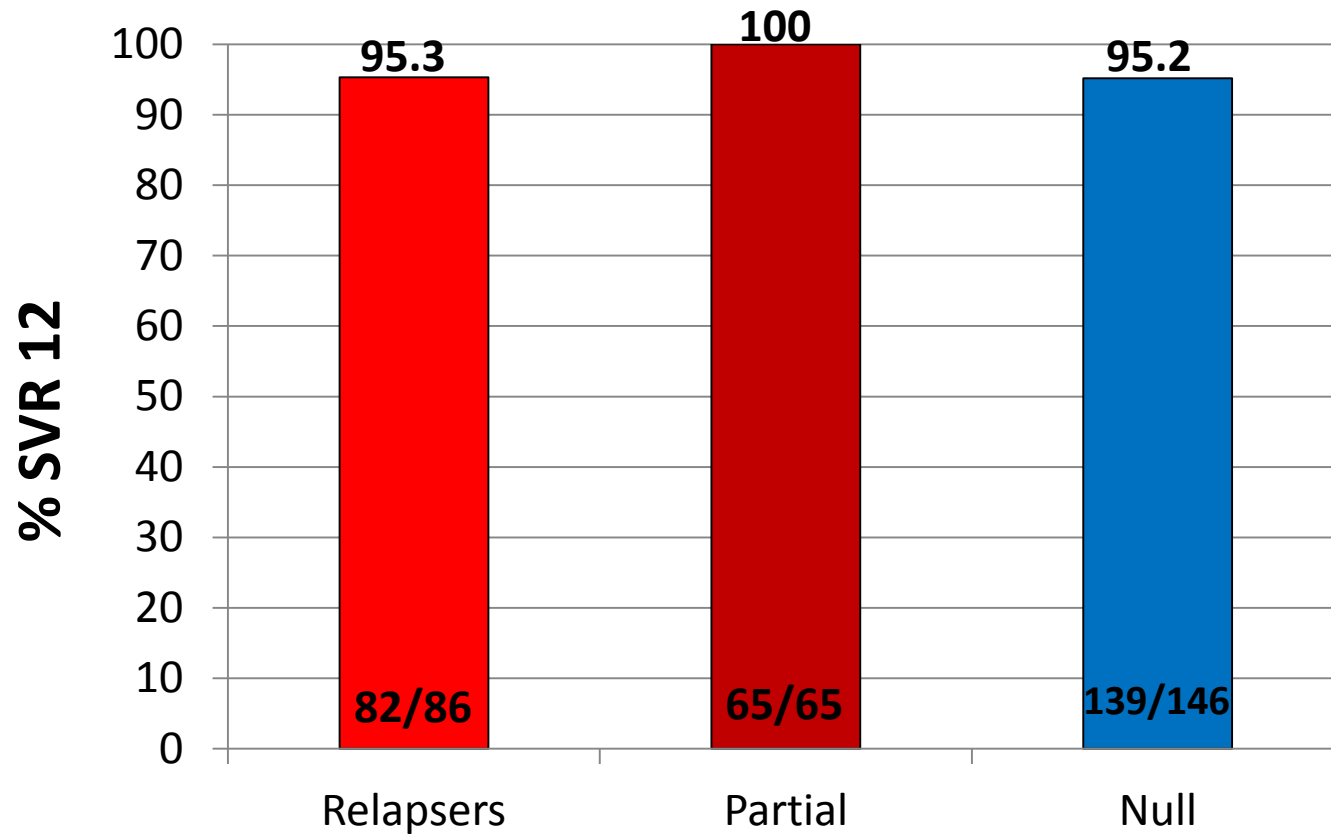
\*Placebo recipients crossed over to active treatment regimen at Wk 12.

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# SAPPHIRE I: SVR12 With 3 DAAs + RBV in Treatment-Naive Pts by HCV subtype



# **SAPPHIRE-II Study: 12 weeks of treatment with ABT-450/r + ABT-267 (Ombitasvir) + ABT-333 (Dasabuvir) and RBV in non-cirrhotic, GT1 treatment-experienced patients**



# SAPPHIRE I and II: Adverse Events

AEs	SAPPHIRE I		SAPPHIRE II	
	3 DAA + RBV (n = 473)	Placebo (n = 158)	3 DAA + RBV (n = 297)	Placebo (n = 97)
Any AE, n (%)	414 (87.5)	116 (73.4)	271 (91.2)	80 (82.5)
AE leading to D/C, n (%)	3 (0.6)	1 (0.6)	3 (1.0)	0
Any serious AE, n (%)	10 (2.1)	0	6 (2.0)	1 (1.0)
Grade 3/4 lab events, n/N (%)				
▪ ALT	4/469 (0.9)	7/158 (4.4)	5/296 (1.7)	3/96 (3.1)
▪ AST	3/469 (0.6)	3/158 (1.9)	3/296 (1.0)	1/96 (1.0)
▪ Alkaline phosphatase	0	0	0	0
▪ Creatinine	—	—	2/297 (0.7)	0
▪ Total bilirubin	13/469 (2.8)	0	7/296 (2.4)	0
▪ Hemoglobin < 8 g/dL	0	0	1/296 (0.3)	0
Hemoglobin < 10 to 8 g/dL, %	5.8	0	4.7	0

# A new standard of response for G1 patients

**An SVR > 90%**

**Peg-IFN + RBV**

**G1 patients with favorable predictors  
(IL-28 CC; no cirrhosis; RVR)**

**Triple with PI**

**G1 patients with favorable predictors**

**IFN-free combination**

**All treated (no predictors)**

**Personalization of therapy based on  
HCV genotype – presence of cirrhosis**

# Chi trattare oggi

La triplice terapia con telaprevir o boceprevir è ad oggi la sola terapia registrata e rimborsabile

Possibilità:

Fruire delle nuove terapie attraverso l'inserimento in un trial clinico

Programmi di uso compassionevole (limitati)

Trattare con la triplice attuale

Rinviare il trattamento

