

# *HIV/HCV Coinfection*

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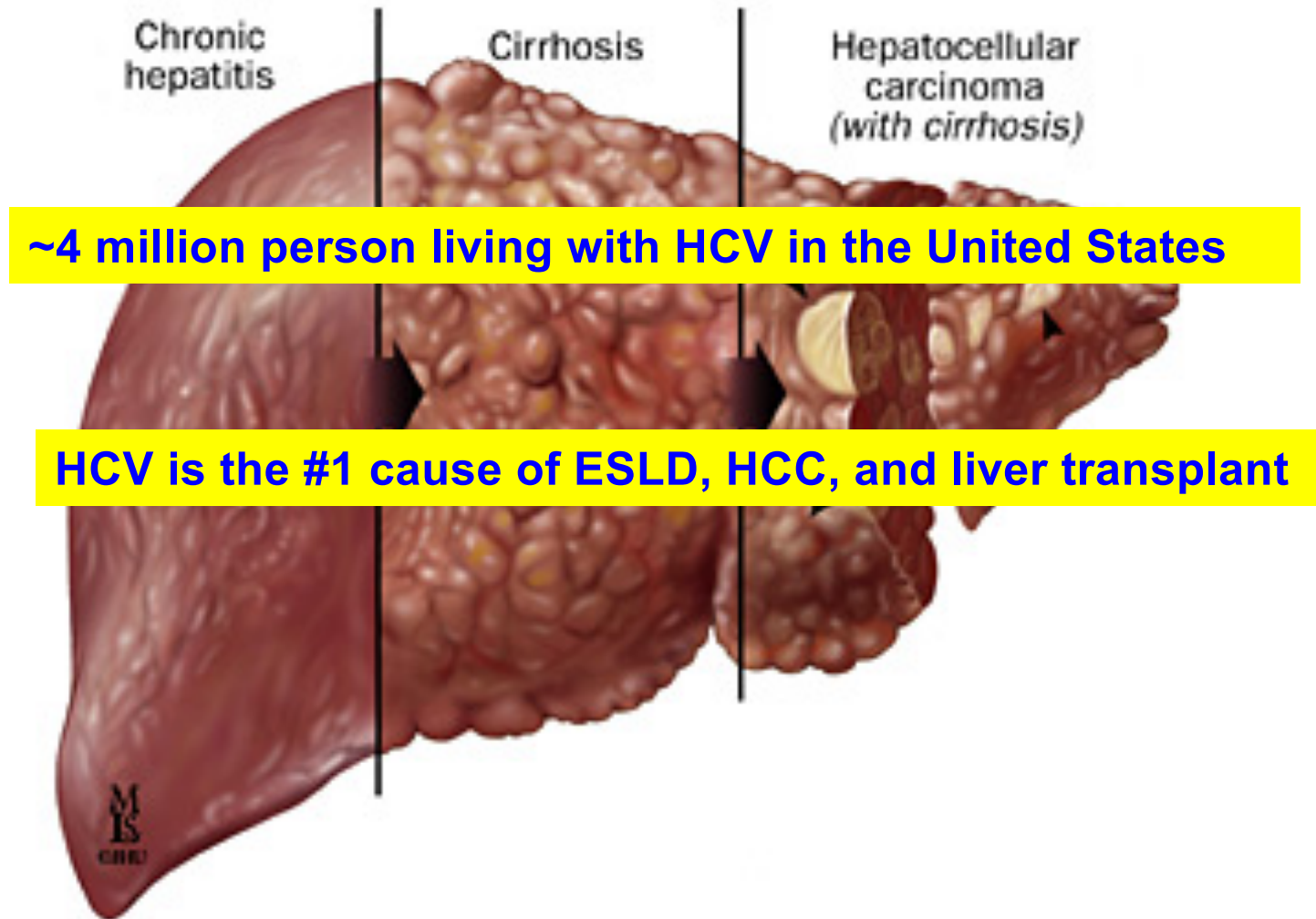
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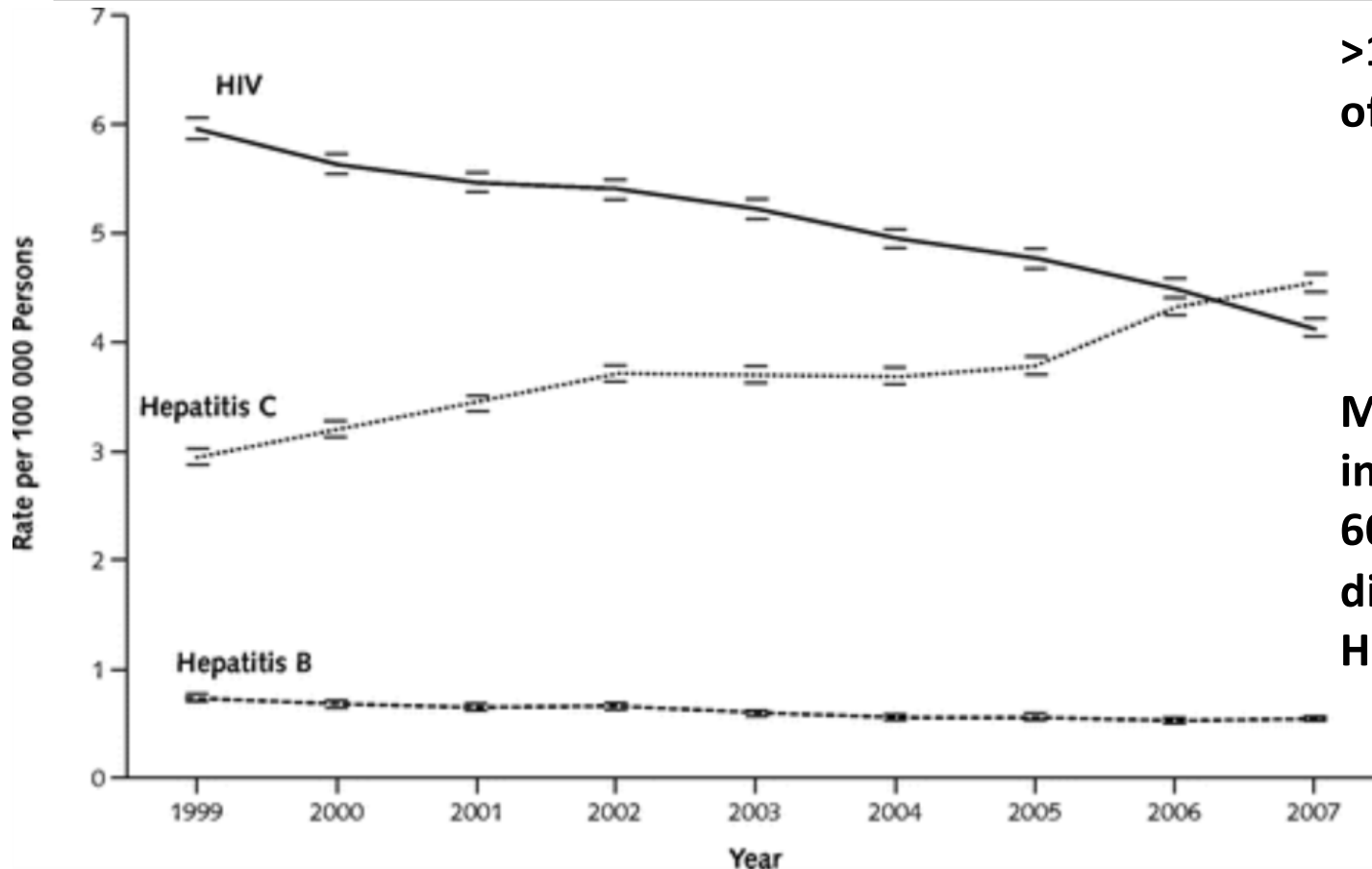


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# The Epidemic of HCV



## The Increasing Burden of Mortality From Viral Hepatitis in the United States Between 1999 and 2007

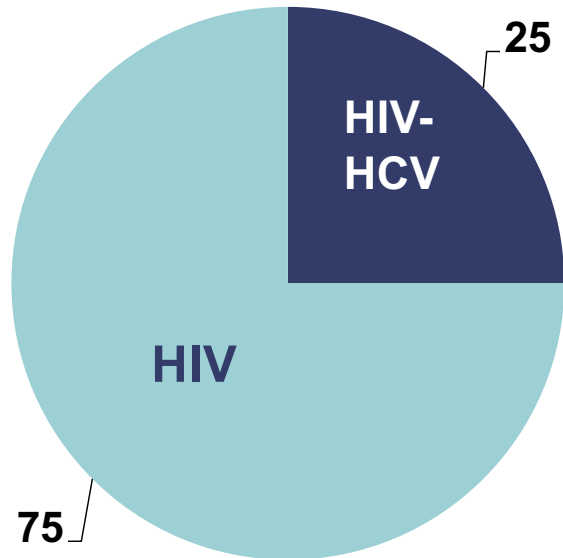


**>19, 000 people died of HCV in the US in 2014**

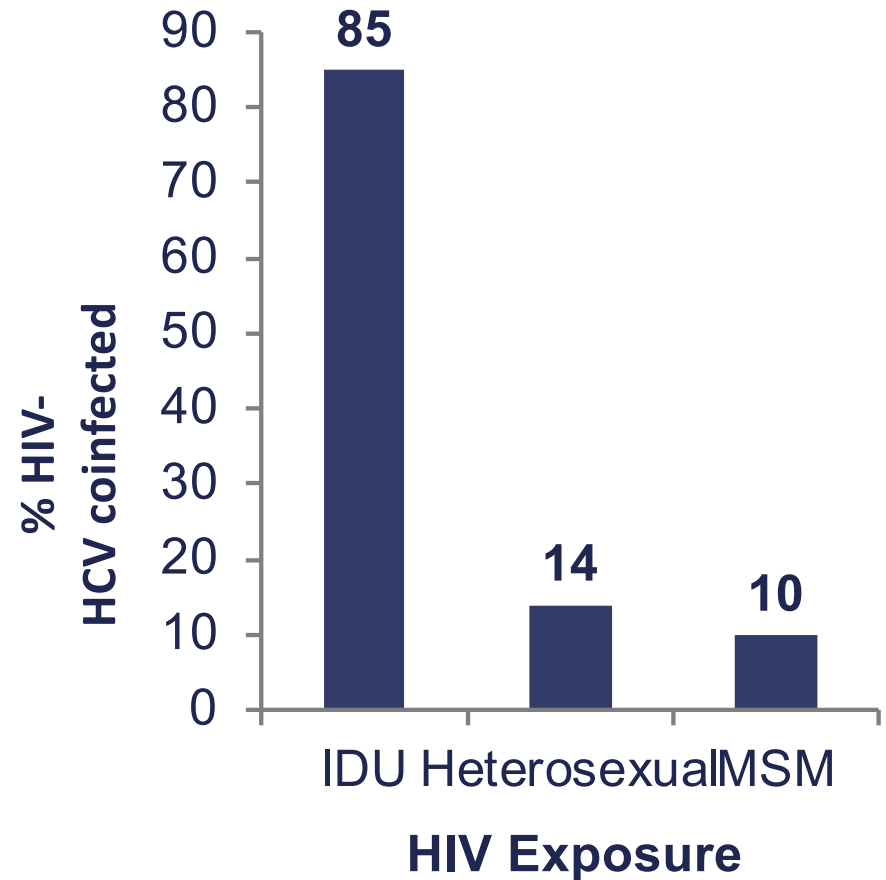
**More people died of HCV in 2013 than from the top 60 other infectious diseases including HIV, TB, pneumonia.**

Who has HIV/HCV Co-infection?

# Prevalence of HCV infection among HIV infected individuals



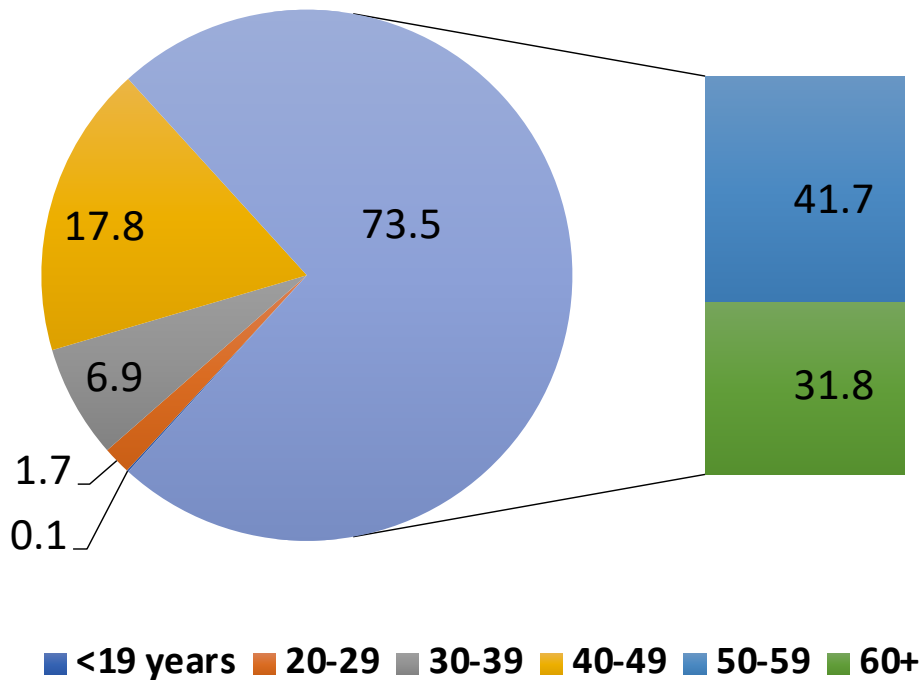
Prevalence differs by HIV risk group



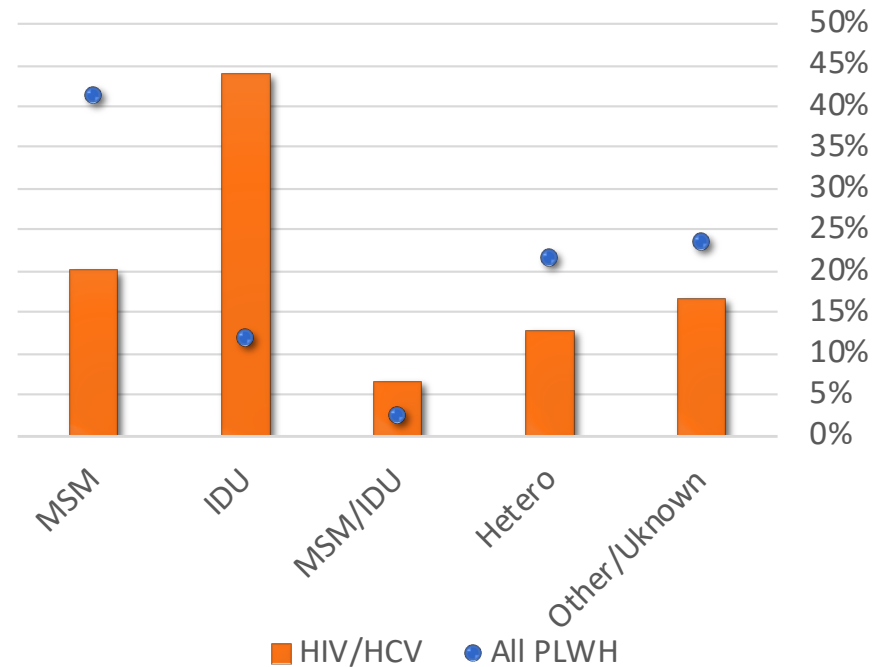
# HIV/HCV Co-infected Demographics, NYC 2015

## Current age

Nearly 73.5% of HIV/HCV co-infected individuals are 50+, compared to only 50% of all PLWH



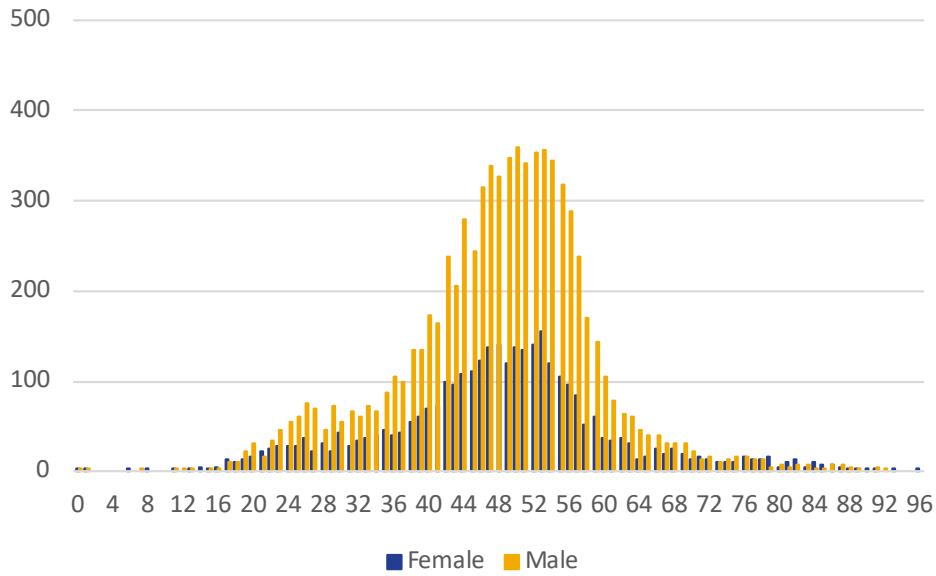
## Exposure Category



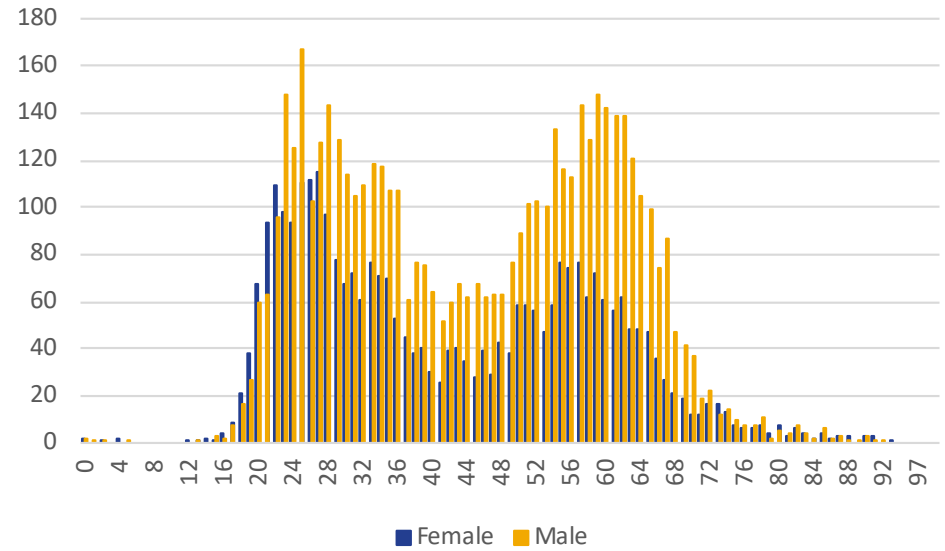
Over half of those with HIV/HCV report a history of injection drug use, compared to just under 15% of all PLWH

# Total Hepatitis C by Age, Sex and Year, NYS (Excluding NYC)

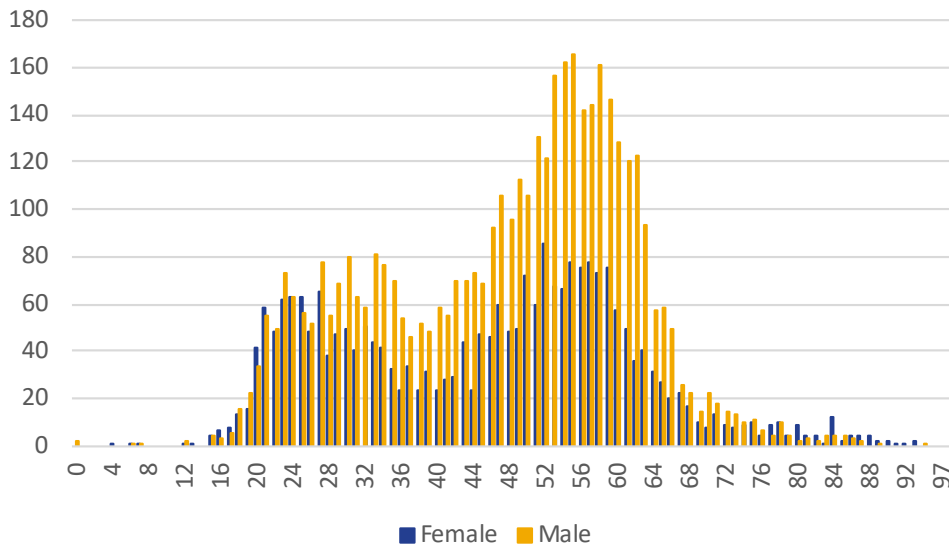
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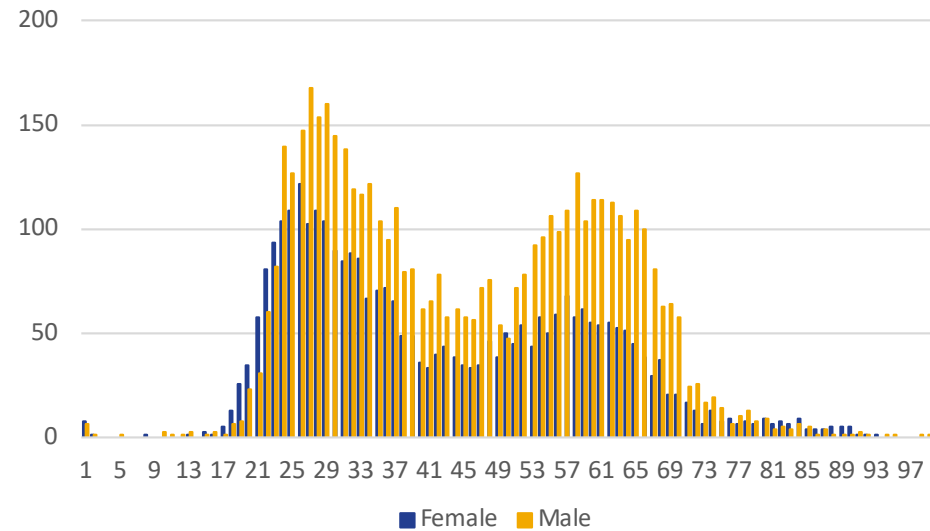
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2012



2016



# Acute HCV – an emerging infection

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**MMWR**

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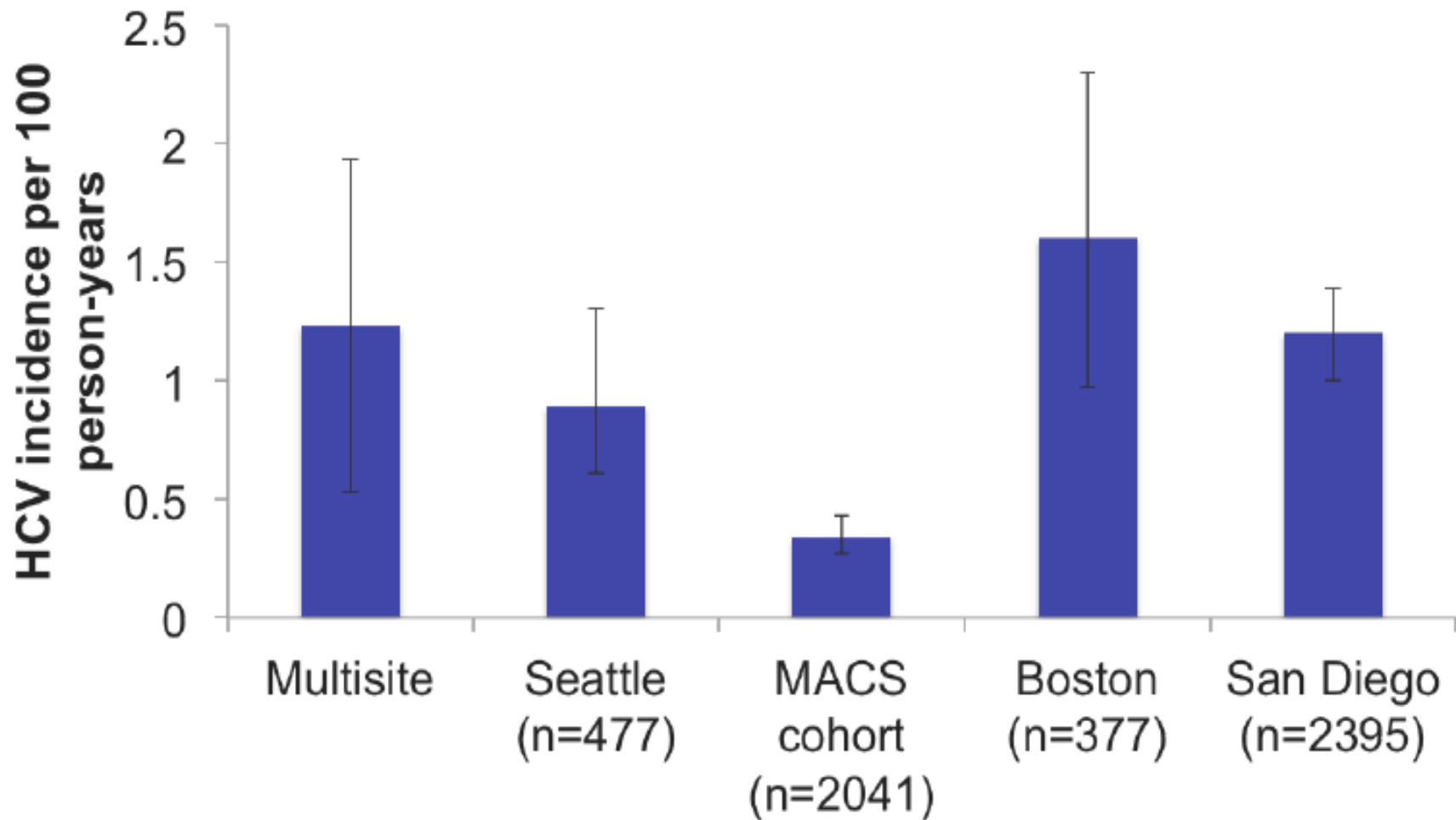
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## **Sexual Transmission of Hepatitis C Virus Among HIV-Infected Men Who Have Sex with Men — New York City, 2005–2010**



# HCV primary incidence among HIV+ MSM in US cohorts



# INCIDENCE OF HEPATITIS C AMONG HIV-INFECTED MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN IN SAN DIEGO, 2000–2015

Antoine Chaillon, Xiaoying Sun, Edward R Cachay, David Wyles  
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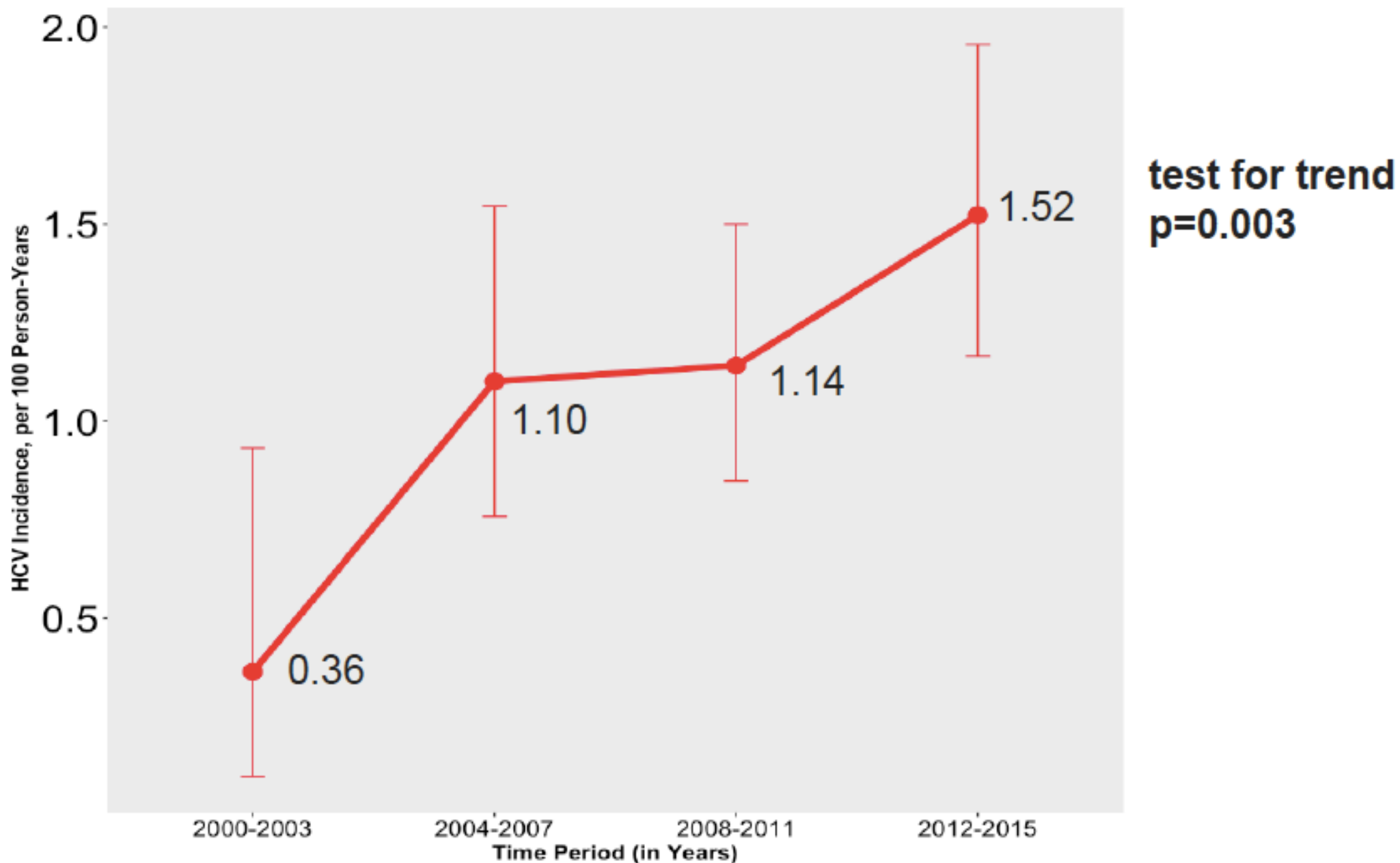
# Baseline characteristics

	Total Population, N (%)
N	2,395
Age (median, IQR)	38 (31-45)
Race:	
-White	1,593 (68%)
-Black	234 (10%)
-Other	512 (22%)
Hispanic:	
-Yes	622 (26%)
-No	1,773 (74%)
IDU/Methamphetamine use (ever):	
-None	770 (32.2%)
-Meth only	1,012 (42.3%)
-IDU only	7 (0.3%)
-Meth+IDU	127 (5.3%)
-Unknown	479 (20%)

# Incident HCV infection by baseline demographics

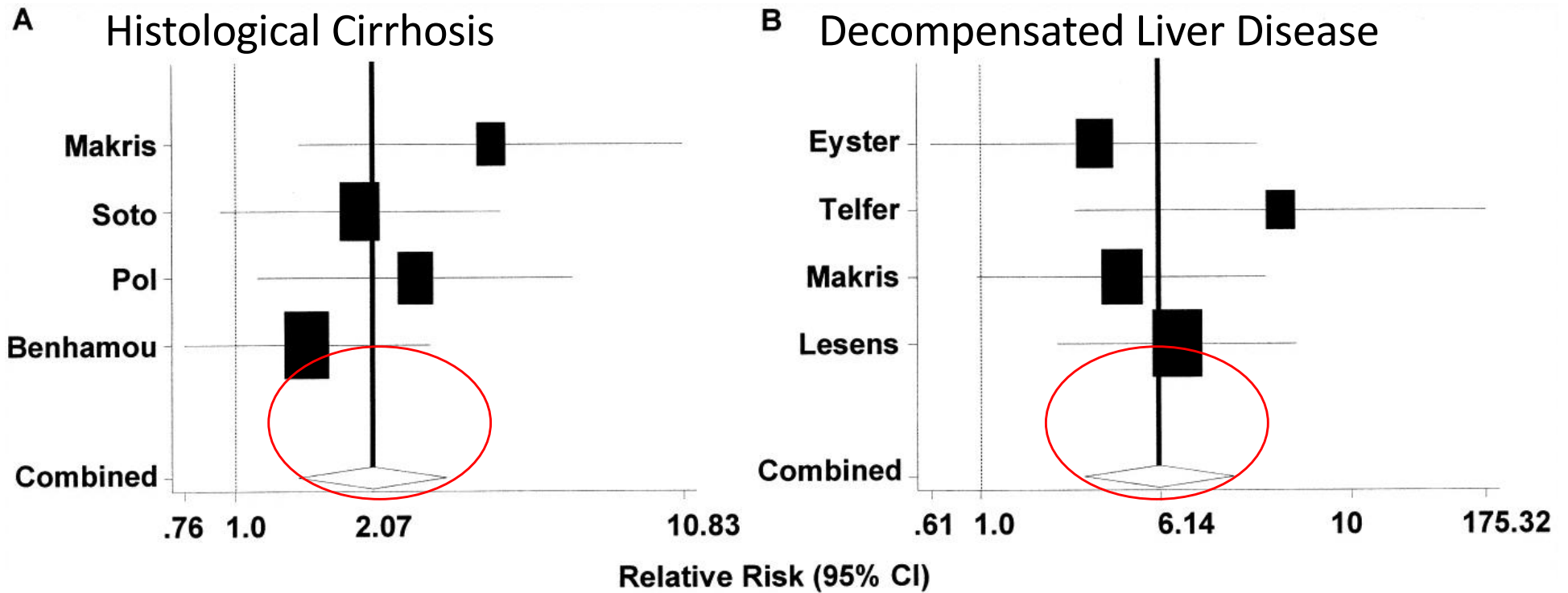
	N of event	Person Years	Incidence/100PY	CI.lower	CI.upper	IRR	p value
<b>Overall</b>	149	12573	1.185	1.002	1.391	-	-
<b>Age</b>							
≤30	37	2796	1.323	0.932	1.824	1	-
31-40	57	4755	1.199	0.908	1.553	0.906 (0.589-1.409)	p=0.642
41-50	46	3826	1.202	0.88	1.604	0.909 (0.577-1.441)	p=0.666
>50	9	1196	0.753	0.344	1.429	0.569 (0.241-1.2)	p=0.126
<b>Race</b>							
White	105	8202	1.28	1.047	1.55	1	-
Black	15	1254	1.197	0.67	1.974	0.934 (0.505-1.613)	p=0.807
Other	28	2918	0.96	0.638	1.387	0.75 (0.475-1.146)	p=0.176
<b>Hispanic</b>							
No	110	8978	1.225	1.007	1.477	1	-
Yes	39	3595	1.085	0.771	1.483	0.885 (0.598-1.287)	p=0.516
<b>Meth/IDU use (ever)</b>							
None	21	4424	0.475	0.294	0.726	1	-
Meth only	86	5991	1.436	1.148	1.773	3.024 (1.860-5.132)	p<0.001
IDU only	2	32	6.296	0.762	22.743	13.167 (1.497-53.965)	p<0.001
Meth+IDU	17	739	2.301	1.341	3.684	4.896 (2.401-9.644)	p<0.001

# Increasing HCV primary incidence among HIV+ MSM in San Diego



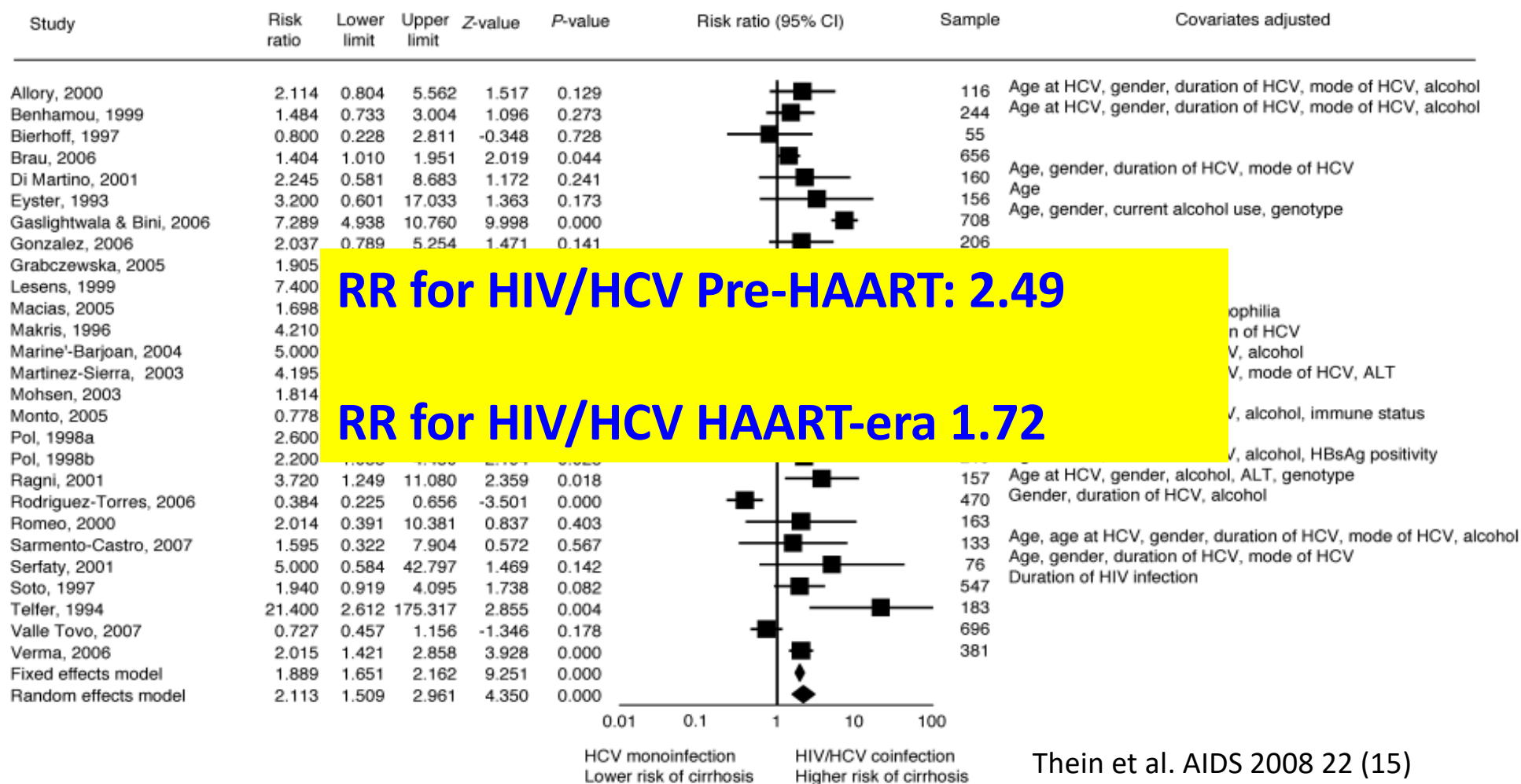
**Why should we specifically care about  
HIV/HCV Co-infection?**

# Liver Disease is Worse in HIV/HCV



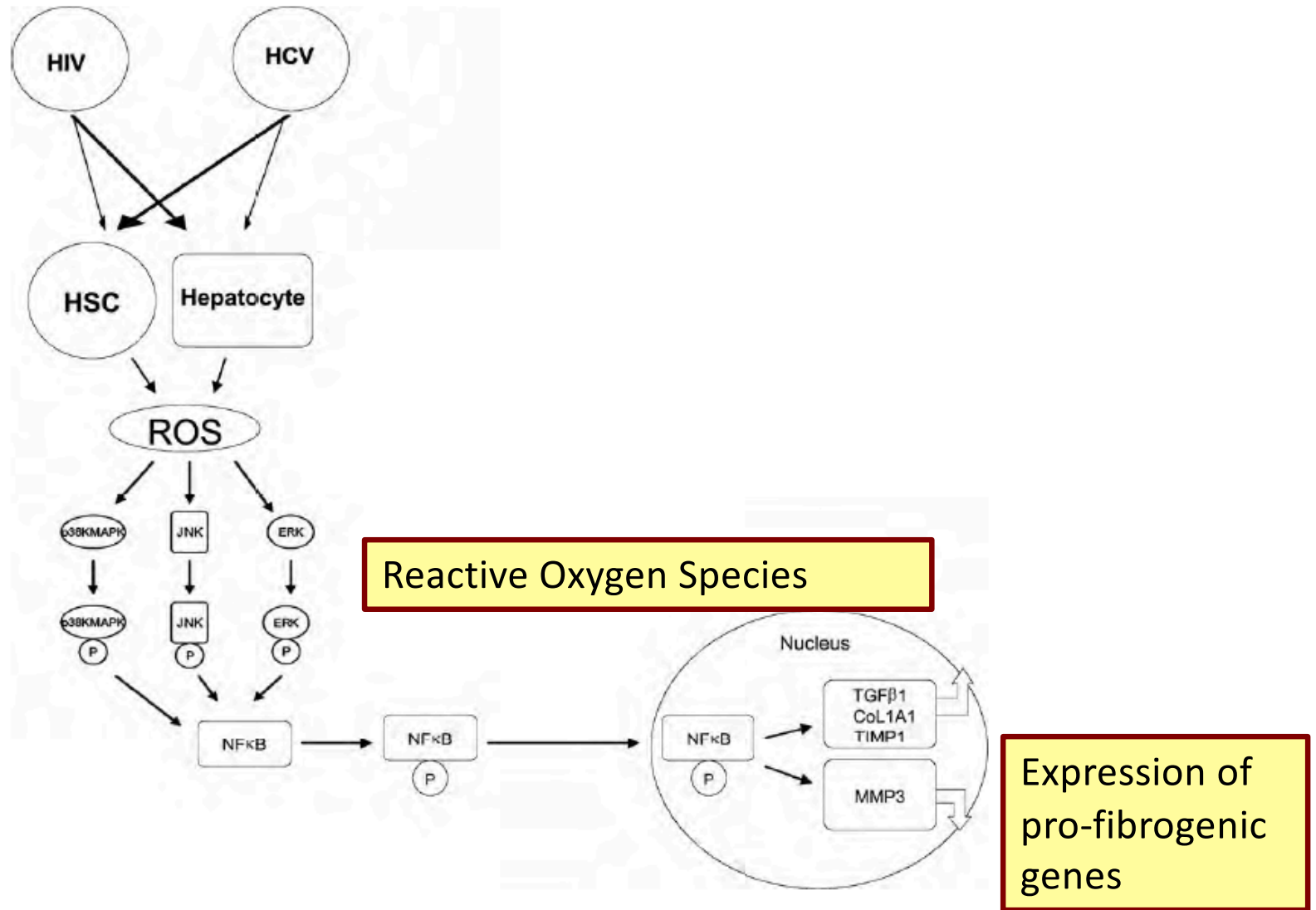
# Risk of Cirrhosis in HIV/HCV Coinfected Patients

AIDS 2008, Vol 22 No 15

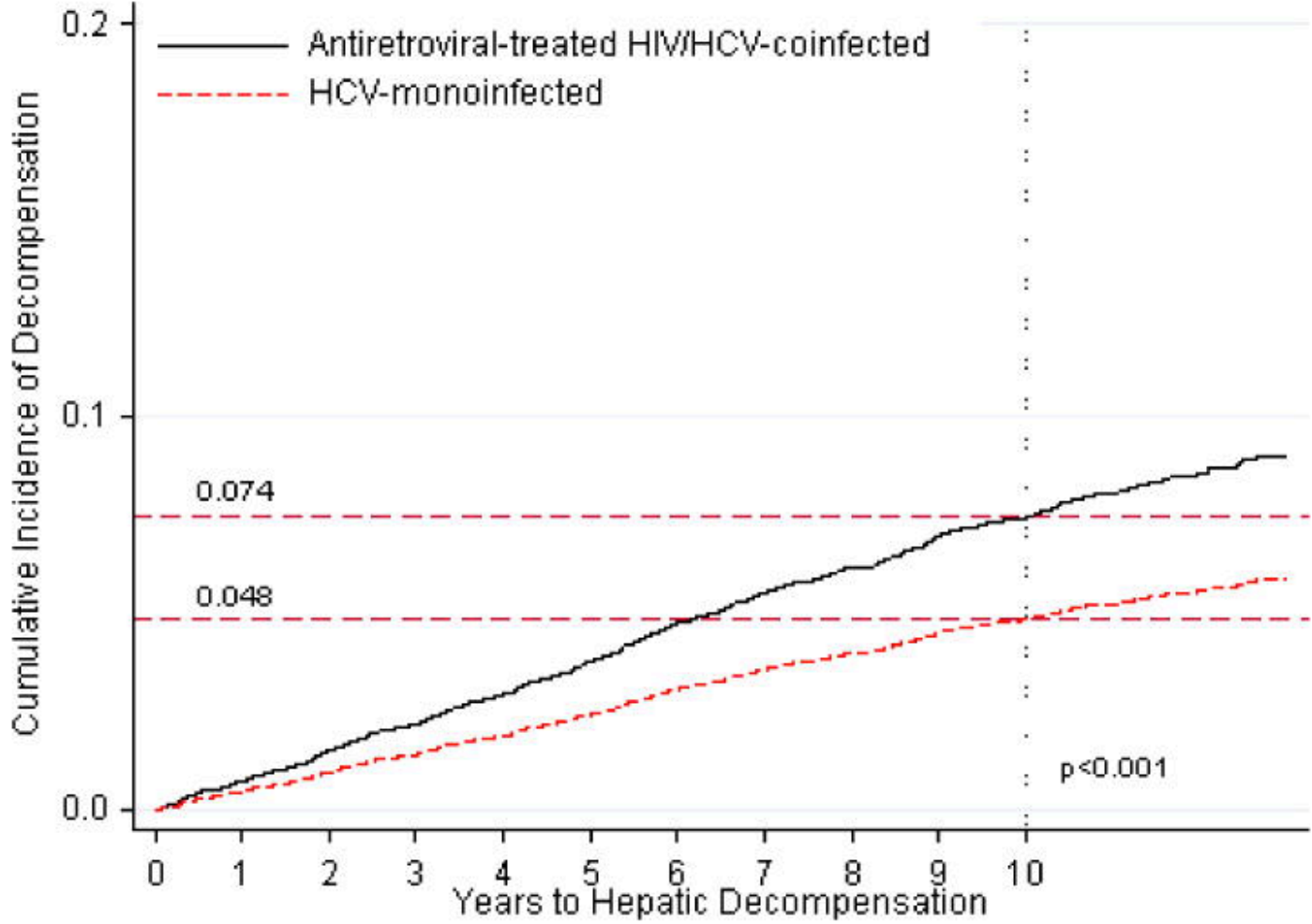




# Pathogenesis of HIV/HCV Fibrosis



# Higher Rates of Hepatic Decompensation for HIV/HCV: 1997-2010



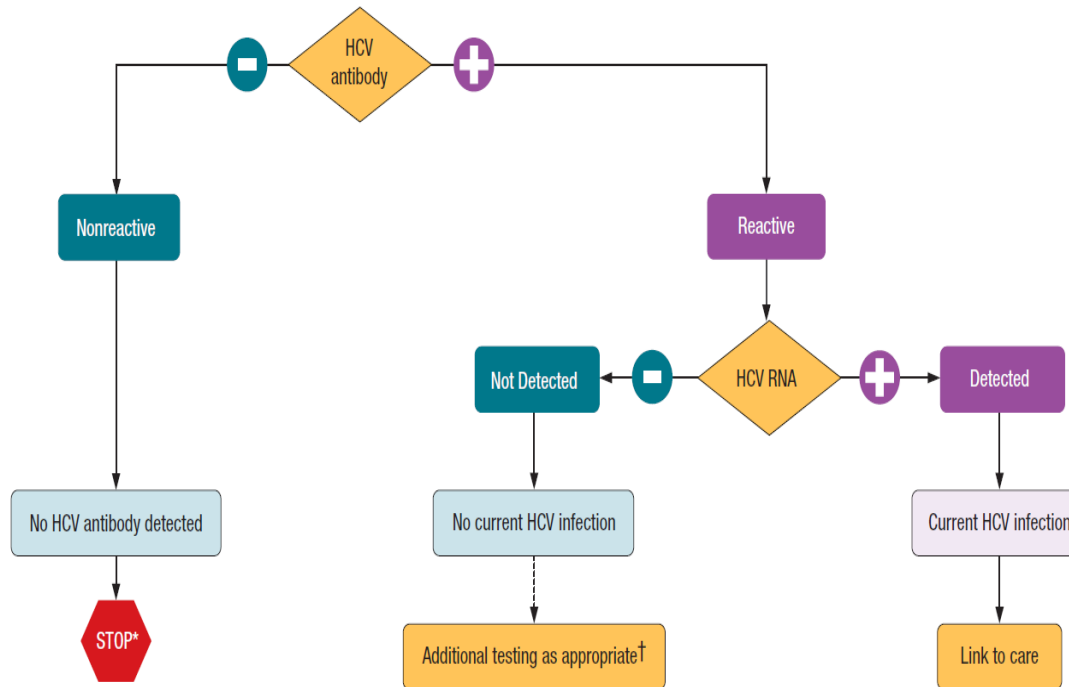
OK, so what's the work-up for  
HIV/HCV coinfectd?

# Test ALL HIV+ Person! HCV Testing Algorithm

Recommended Testing Sequence for Identifying Current Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Infection



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



\* For persons who might have been exposed to HCV within the past 6 months, testing for HCV RNA or follow-up testing for HCV antibody is recommended. For persons who are immunocompromised, testing for HCV RNA can be considered.

† To differentiate past, resolved HCV infection from biologic false positivity for HCV antibody, testing with another HCV antibody assay can be considered. Repeat HCV RNA testing if the person tested is suspected to have had HCV exposure within the past 6 months or has clinical evidence of HCV disease, or if there is concern regarding the handling or storage of the test specimen.

Source: CDC. Testing for HCV infection: An update of guidance for clinicians and laboratorians. *MMWR* 2013;62(18).

# Lab Tests to Obtain

- HCV VL
- HCV Genotype
- Fibrosure
- CBC
- LFTs
- BMP

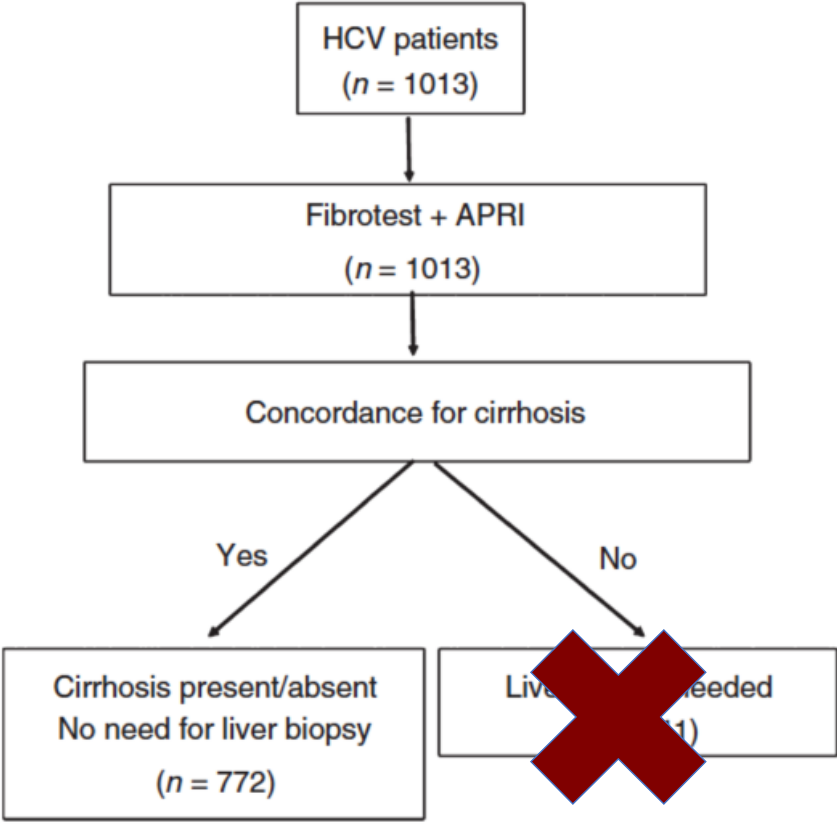
# Biomarkers for Staging (No More Biopsies!)

- APRI
  - $(\text{AST}/\text{normal AST})/\text{PLT} \times 100$
- Fibrosure/Fibrotest
  - Biomarker that uses six blood tests to generate a score that is correlated with the degree of liver Fibrosis

**Fibrotest <0.75 and APRI <1**  
**NPV for NO CIRRHOSIS of 95.6%**

**Fibrotest >0.75 and APRI >2**  
**PPV for CIRRHOSIS of 73.4%**

# No More Biopsies!



OK, so can we successfully treat HCV in  
HIV/HCV Co-infected patients?



# Good News: We Have Great Medications!

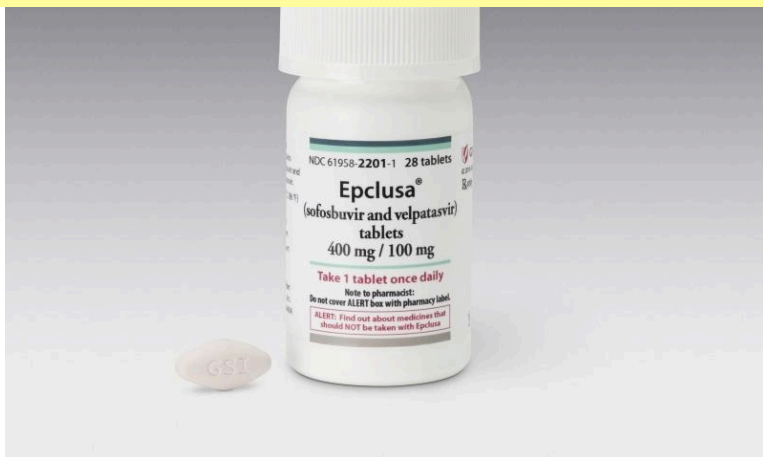
## Sofosbuvir/Ledipasvir



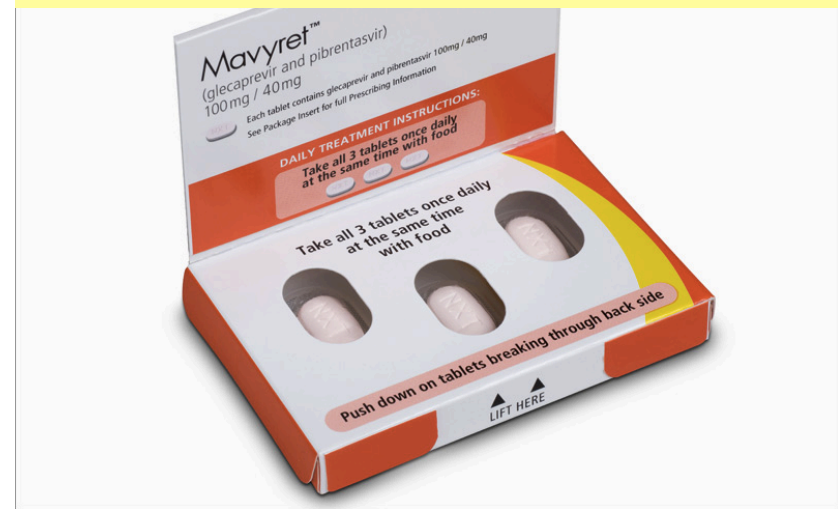
## Elbasvir/Grazoprevir



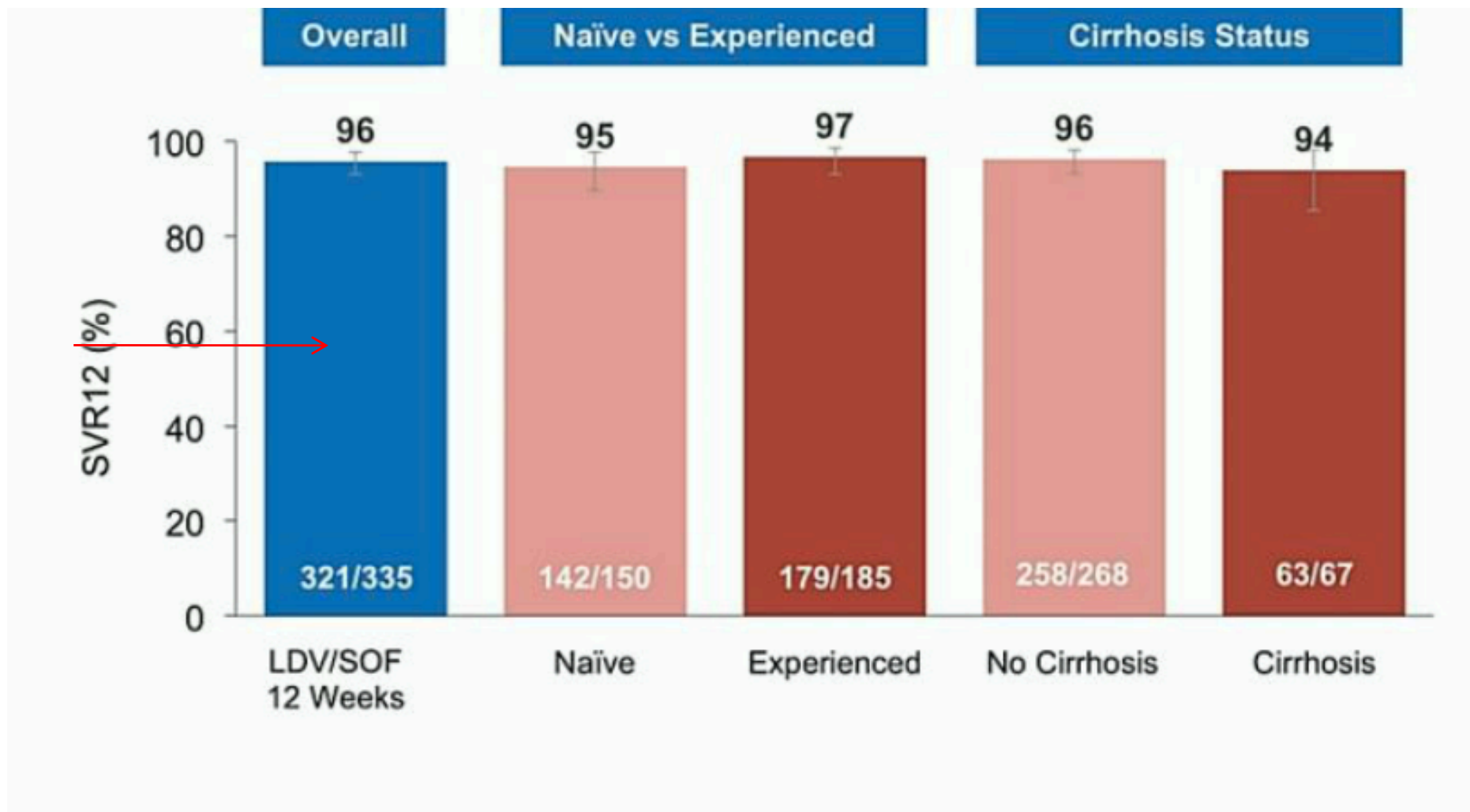
## Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir



## Glecaprevir/Pibrentasvir



# Cure Rates for 335 HIV/HCV patients on 12 weeks of Harvoni



# Side Effects

	Patients, n (%)	LDV/SOF 12 Weeks N=335
Overall safety	AEs	257 (77)
	Grade 3–4 AE	14 (4)
	Serious AE	8 (2)*
	Treatment D/C due to AE	0
	Death	1 (<1)†
	Grade 3–4 laboratory abnormality	36 (11)

- ◆ Stable CD4 counts through treatment and follow-up phase
- ◆ No patient had confirmed HIV virologic rebound

\*Serious AEs in >1 patient were hepatocellular carcinoma (n=2) and portal vein thrombosis (n=2) in patients with cirrhosis.

†Confirmed IV drug user developed *Staphylococcus aureus* sepsis, endocarditis with associated embolic brain abscesses, and multi-organ system failure.

Side Effects in >5% of people

**Harvoni's Claim to Fame:**

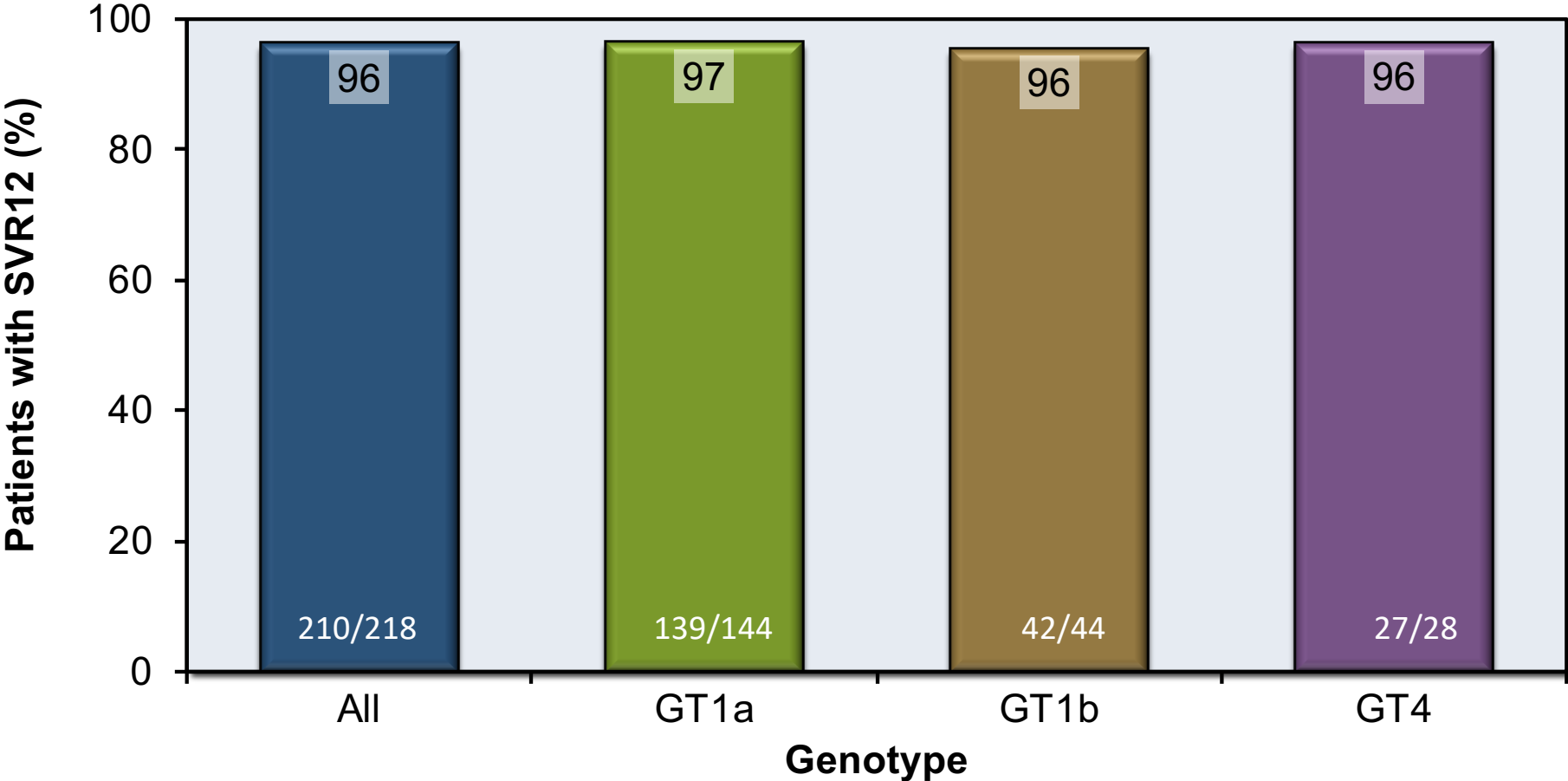
**First one pill a day for Geno 1 with nearly 100% cure rates!**

**Problem:**

- Cant Use in renal Disease (GFR>30)**
- Expensive! \$94,000 per course**

# Zepatier: Cure Rates in 218 HIV/HCV Patients on 12 week regimen

## C-EDGE CO-INFECTION: SVR12 Results by Genotype



# Side Effects

Adverse Event (AE), n (%)	Elbasvir-Grazoprevir (N=218)	
Discontinuation due to AE	0	
Serious AEs	2 (1%)	
Deaths	0	
Any AE in >5% of patients		
Fatigue	29 (13%)	
Headache	27 (12%)	
Nausea	20 (9%)	
Upper respiratory tract infection	18 (8%)	
Diarrhea	16 (7%)	
Insomnia	15 (7%)	
Grade 3 or 4 laboratory abnormality	<u>Grade 3</u>	<u>Grade 4</u>
Total bilirubin	1 (<1%)	0
ALT elevation	3 (1%)	2 (1%)
AST elevation	0	1 (<1%)
Hemoglobin	0	0

# Side effects of HCV Drug vs. Placebo

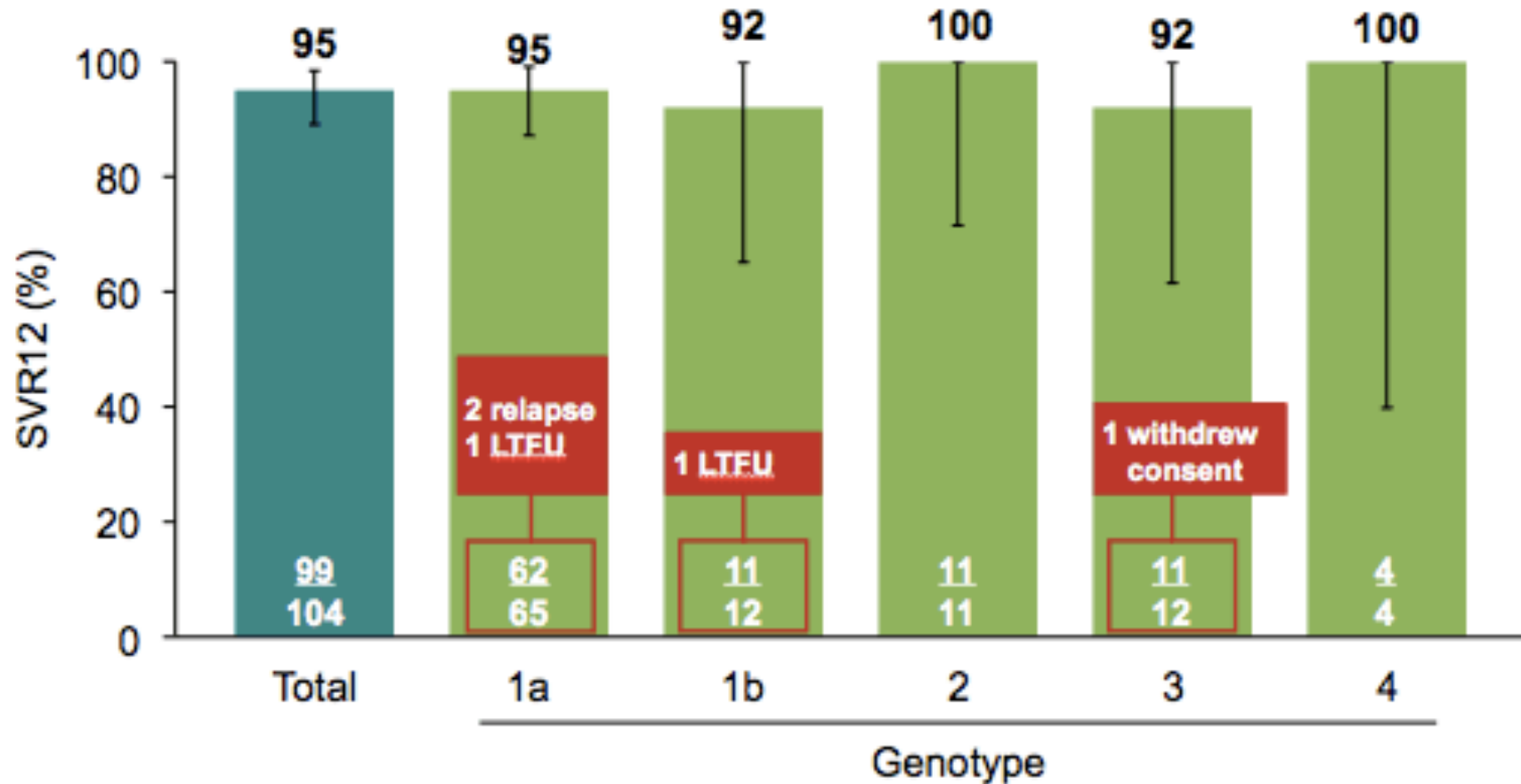
	Grazoprevir and elbasvir immediate treatment group (n=111)	PLACEBO deferred treatment group (n=113)
Any adverse event*†	84 (75.7%)	95 (84.1%)
Headache		
Nausea		
Fatigue		
Insomnia		
Dizziness		
Diarrhoea		
Drug-related adverse events		
Serious adverse events		
Drug-related serious adverse events		
Discontinuation due to an adverse event	0	5‡ (4.4%)
Deaths	1 (0.8%)	3 (2.7%)

## Zepatier's Claim to Fame:

1. First Drug studied in PWID
2. Can be used in Renal Disease
3. Cheaper! (54,000 versus 94,000)

Problem: Must check for baseline resistance in patients with Geno 1a= if resistance then **ADD ribavirin**

# Epclusa: Cure Rates for 104 HIV/HCV Patients on 12 week regimen





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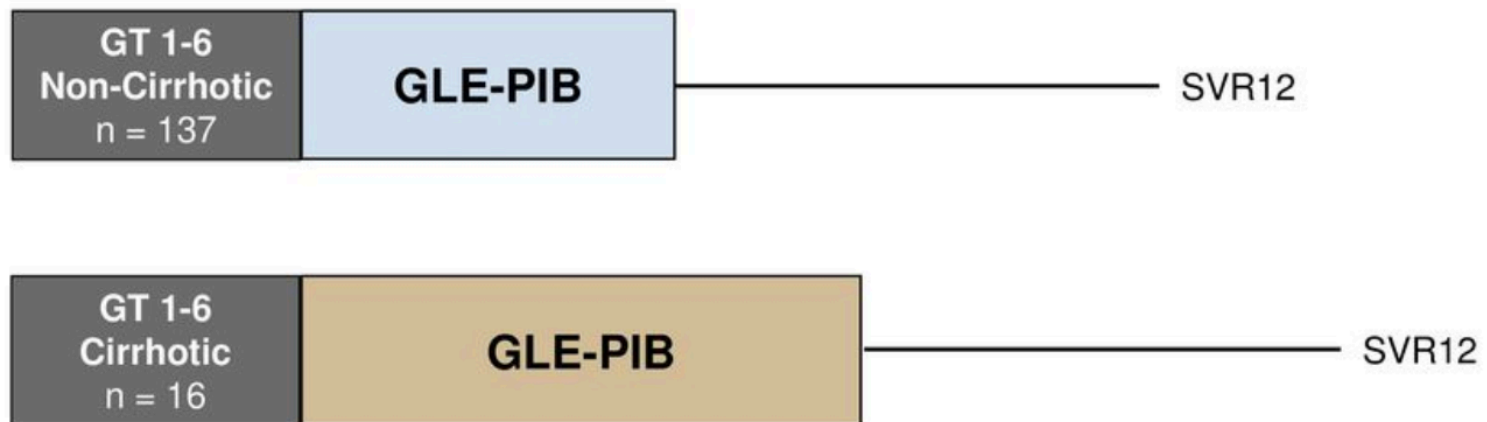
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1. Pangenotypic
2. Better for Geno 3!
3. Cost: \$74,000

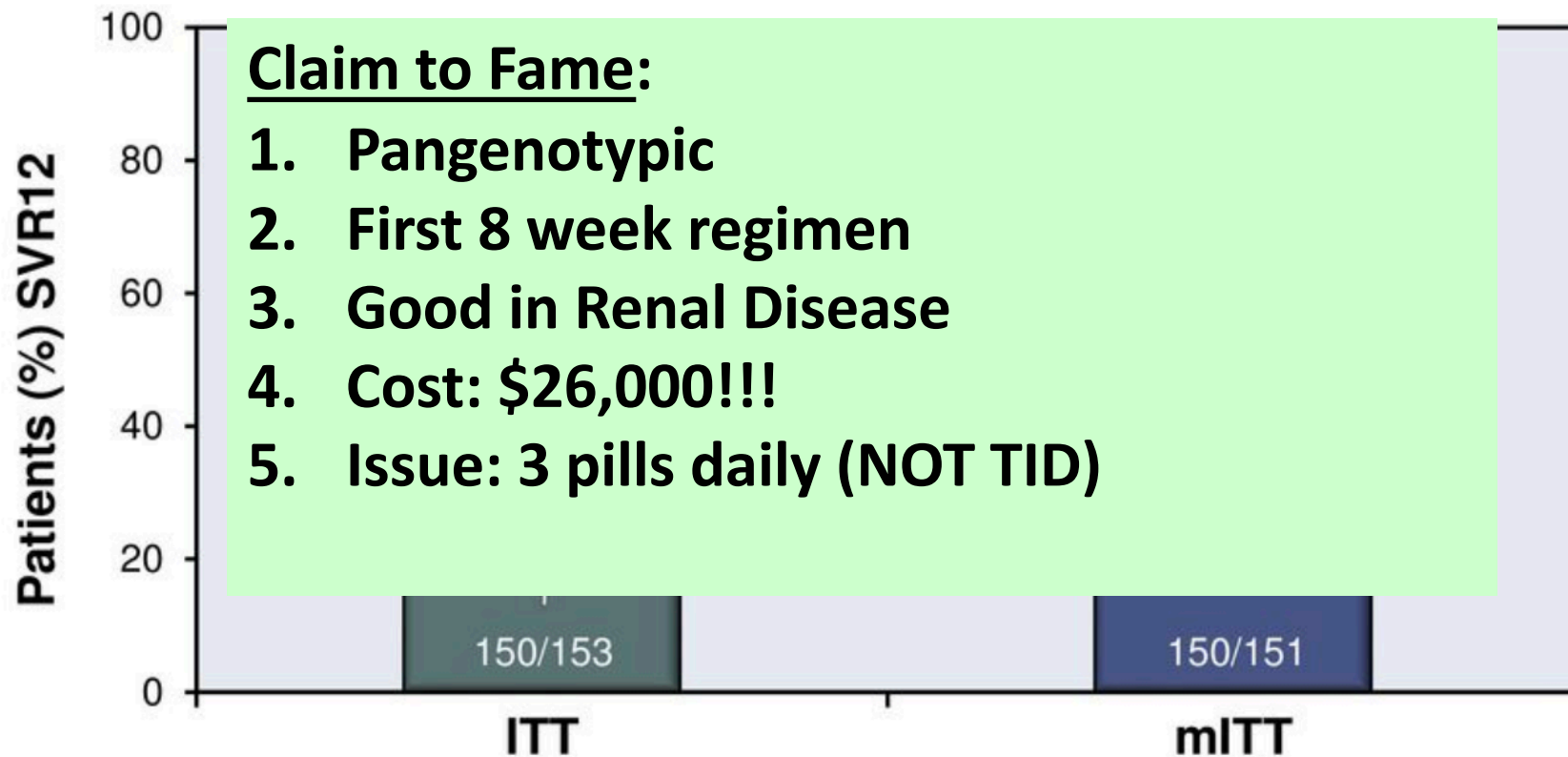
Insomnia	7 (7)
Nausea	7 (7)

◆ The majority of AEs were mild in severity (Grade 1 and 2)

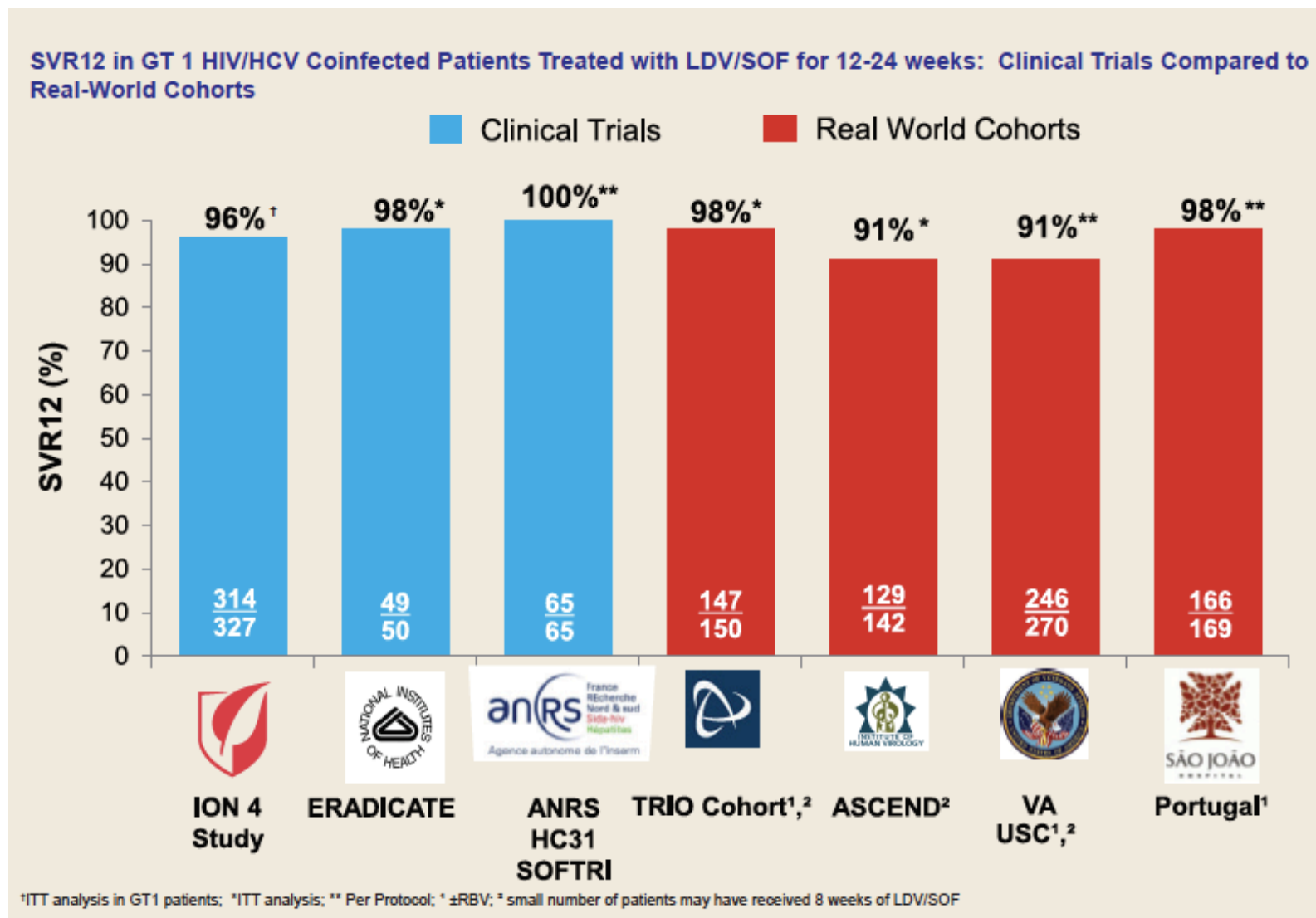
# Gleceprevir/Pibrentasvir HIV/HCV co-infection



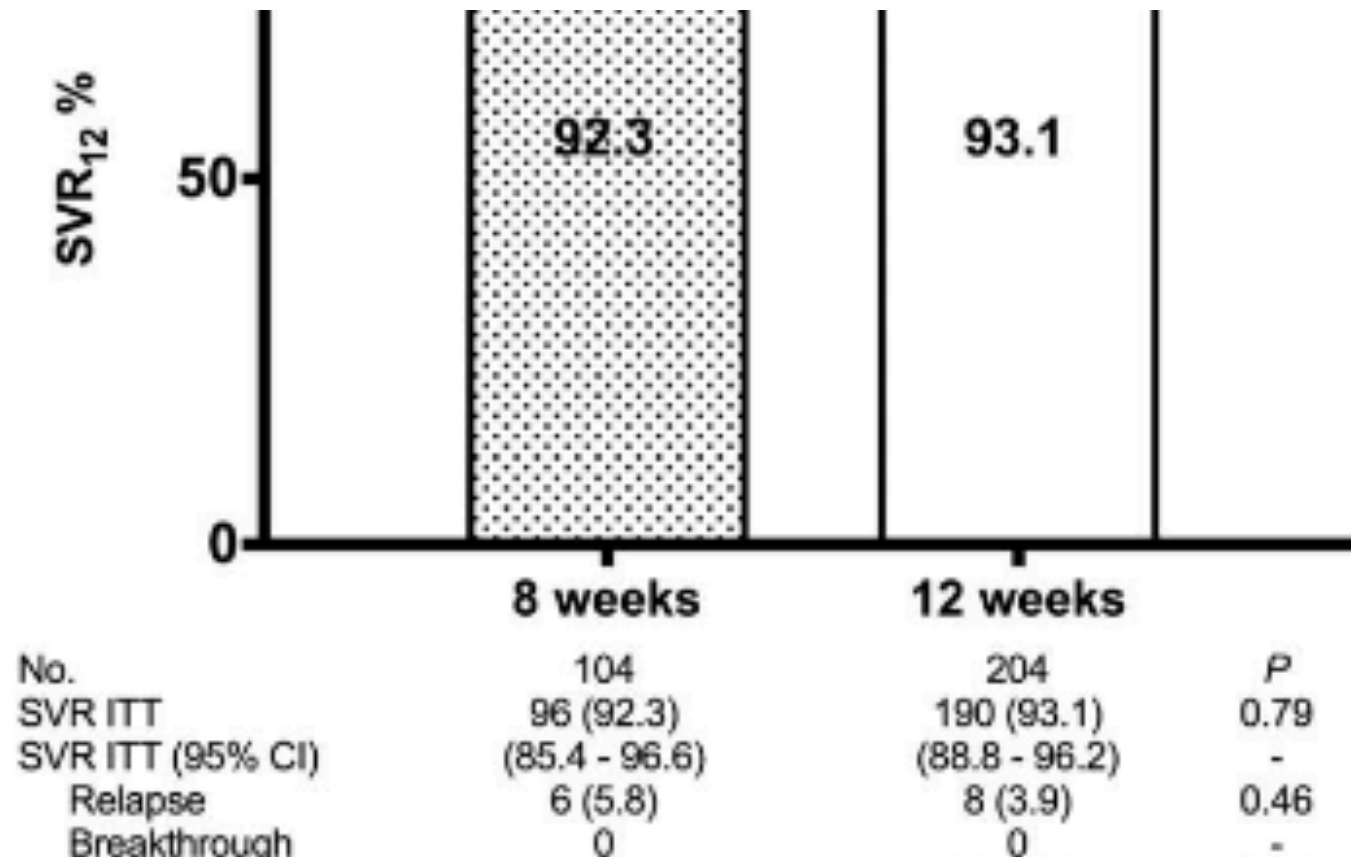
# Gleceprevir/Pibrentasvir: Results



# Real World Data



# Real World Data: 8 weeks vs 12 weeks for sofosbuvir/ledipasvir



Yes, but what about all the drug-drug interactions?

# Drug Interactions: ART and DAAs

	DCV	EBR-GRZ	LDV-SOF	SOF-VEL	PrOD	SMV	Ribavirin
AZT	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	Avoid: Risk of severe anemia
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LPV/r	OK	Avoid	No data	OK (*caution w/ TDF)	Avoid: ↑GI effects	Avoid	OK
EFV	Increase DCV dose to 90 mg	Avoid	↓LDV	Avoid	Avoid – may ↓PrOD	Avoid	OK
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# Drug-Drug Interactions

## They are Manageable

- Harvoni:

- No Etravirine
- Boosted PI's with TDF and Stribild= only if CrCl>60 and must monitor renal function

- **INTEGRASE INHIBITORS and NRTI's**  
**OK!**

- No Efavirenz (Atripla)

- Epclusa:

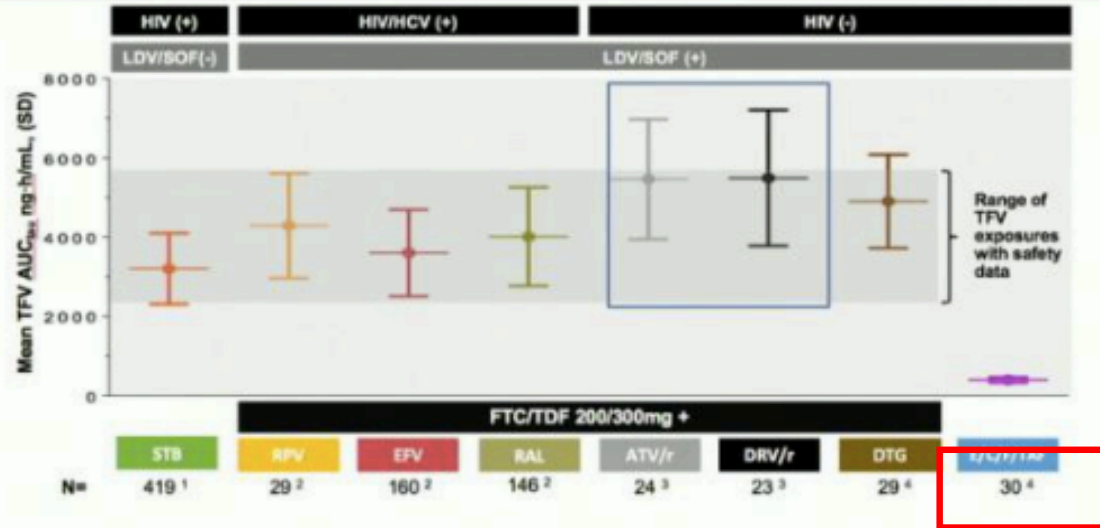
- Same as Harvoni
- But ALSO no EVF (Atripla)

# What about Mavyret?

- NO PI's
- NO Efavirenz
- OK:
  - Integrase Inhibitors
  - Complera
  - Stribild (Must monitor hepatic function)

# TENOFOVIR LEVELS: SOF/LDV and HIV Regimens

Impact of ARV regimens on TFV levels: SOF/LDV

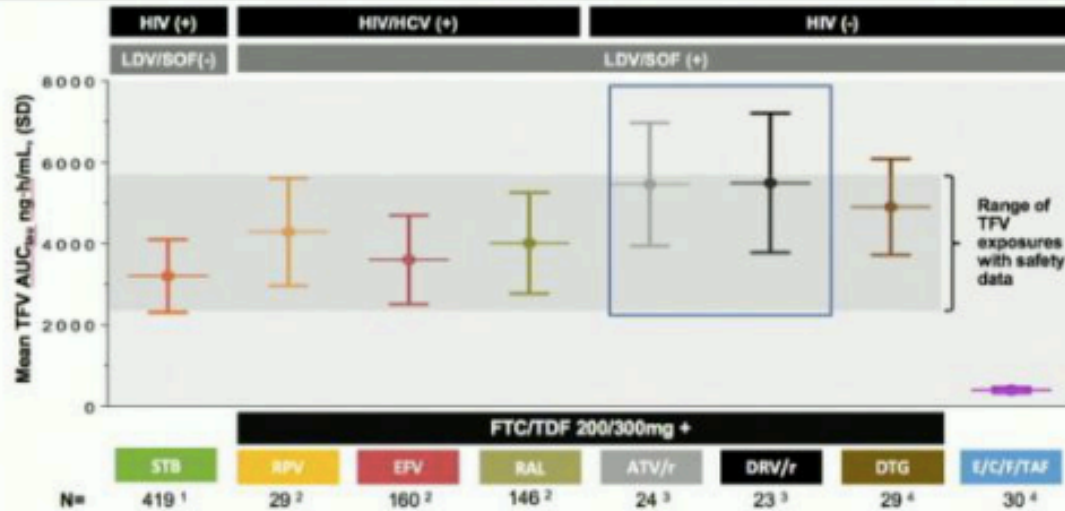


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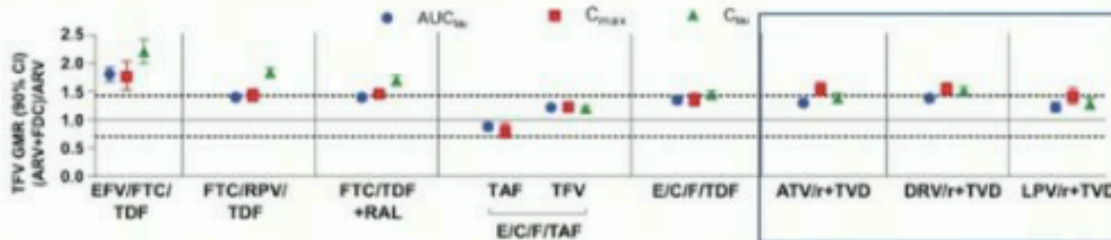
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\*Dotted lines depict no-PK-alteration boundary.

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# Real Life Impact on Renal Function

Impact on renal function: SOF/LDV and TDF

Table 1: VAMC HIV/HCV National Cohort- Clinical Case Registry:SOF/LDV

	TDF+PI (n=100)	TDF and no PI (n=372)	No TDF (n=423)	p value
Delta Cr	0.17 mg/dL	0.18 mg/dL	0.15 mg/dL	0.30

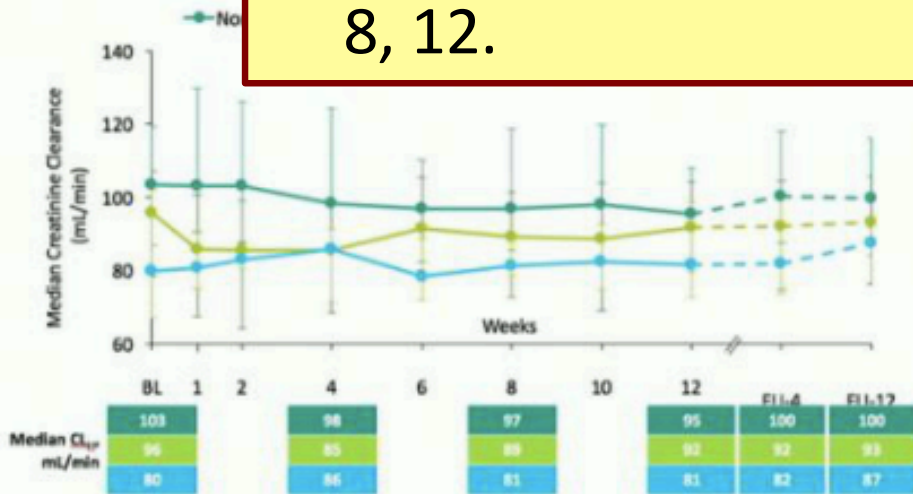
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- Do not use boosted PI with TDF if GFR <60
- Otherwise, can use but monitor GFR at week 2, 4, 8, 12.



	TDF-Containing Regimens (N = 35)	Regimens (N = 56)
AUC <sub>tau</sub> (h•ng/mL)	3590 (23.2)	3740 (26.3)
C <sub>max</sub> (ng/mL)	319 (26.4)	351 (30.8)
C <sub>tau</sub> (ng/mL)	91.2 (37.9)	92.9 (41.4)

3 pts had Cr >0.4 mg/dL, 2 on pharm. boosted TDF reg, but had co-morbid conditions

What about hard-to-treat  
populations like PWID?

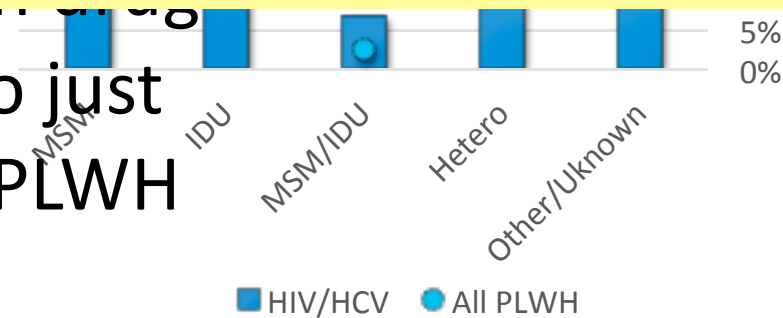


# IDU is greater among HIV/HCV than HIV mono-infection

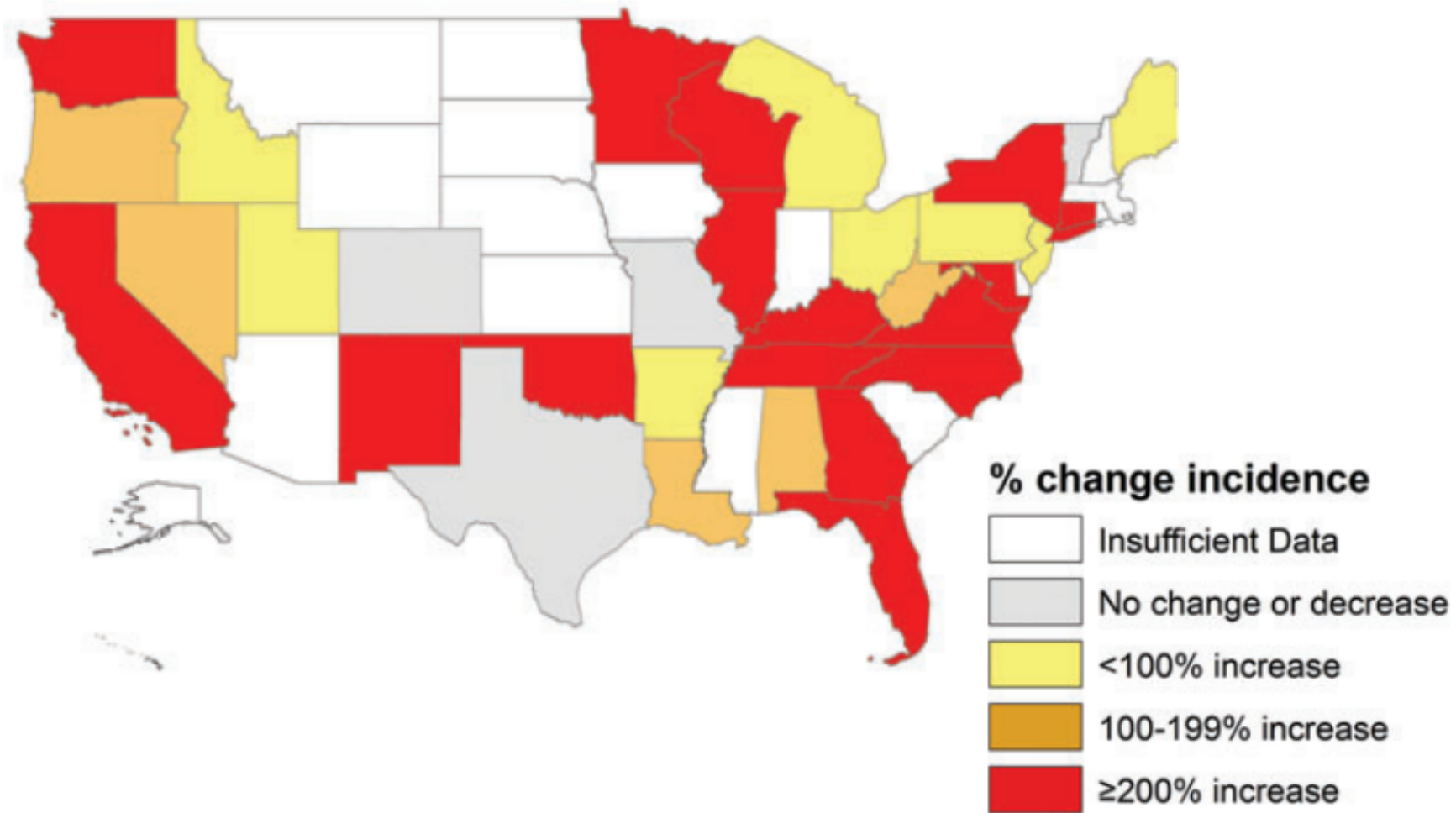
- **1 in 10 new HIV diagnoses are among people who inject drugs (PWID)**
- **About 80% of people with HIV who inject drugs also have hepatitis C virus (HCV)**

Over 1/3 of HIV history of injection drug

use, compared to just under 15% of all PLWH



# Continued Transmission of HCV 2007-2012



# C-EDGE CO-STAR

## Elbasvir-Grazoprevir in PWID on Opiate Agonist Therapy

Week

0

12

16

24

28

40

Treatment-naïve GT 1, 4 or 6  
(N=301)

N=201

Elbasvir-Grazoprevir

SVR12

N=100

Placebo

Elbasvir-Grazoprevir

SVR12

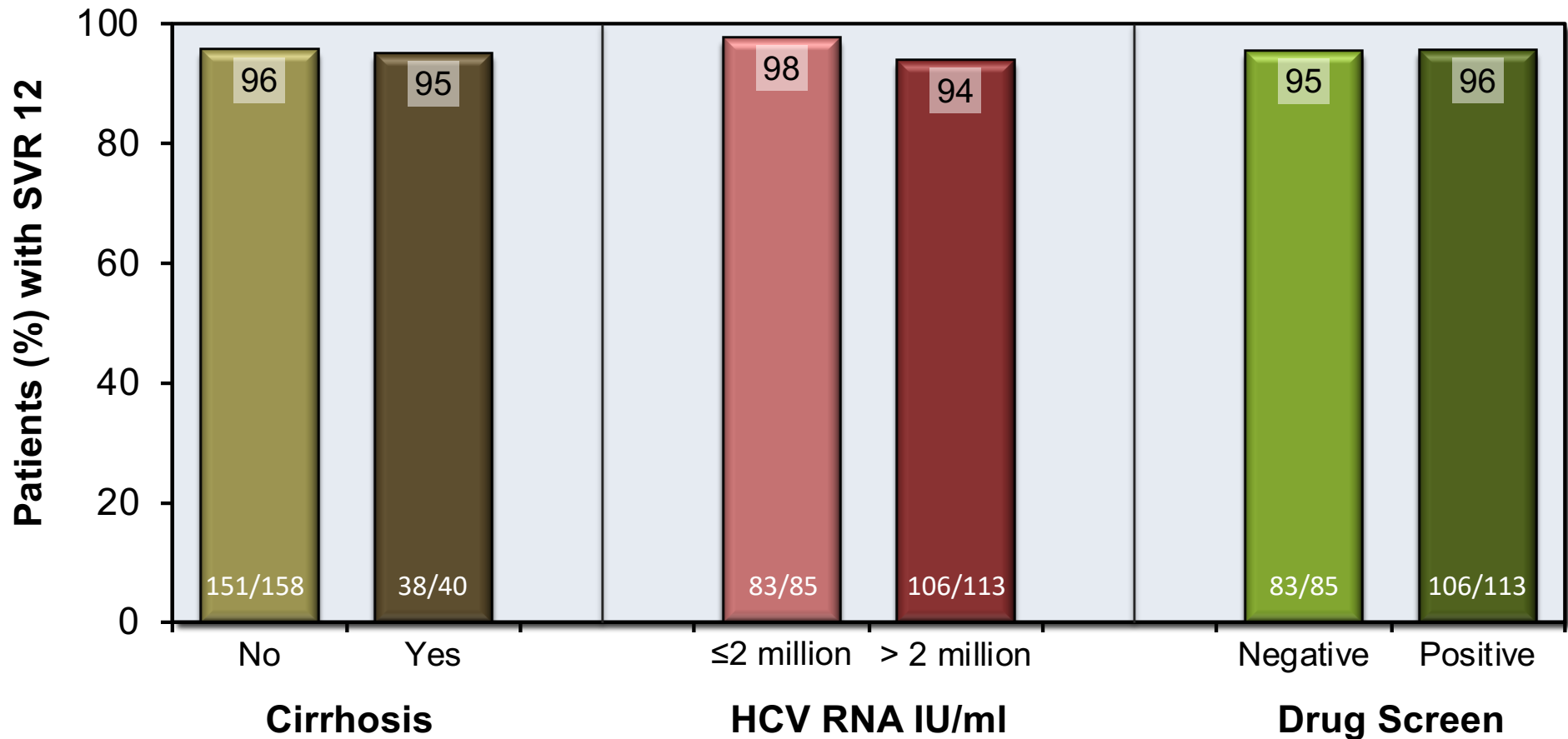
20% with cirrhosis

8% with HIV/HCV Coinfection

60% with positive baseline urine toxicology

# Great Cure Results Despite Drug Use

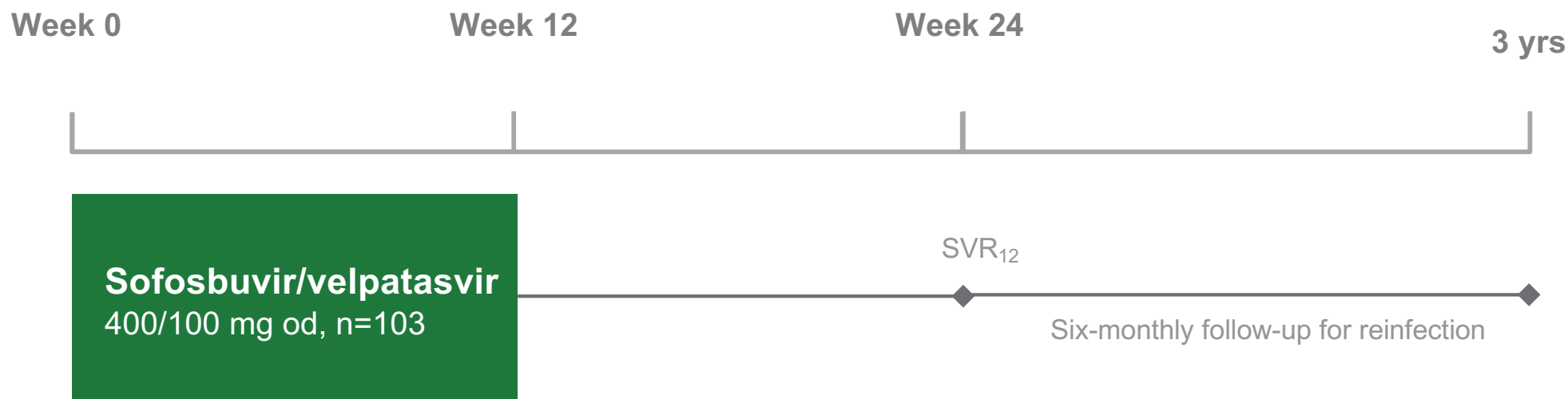
C-EDGE CO-STAR: SVR12 Results with Modified Full Analysis Set<sup>^</sup>



<sup>^</sup>Excludes patients who discontinued trial for non-treatment related reasons

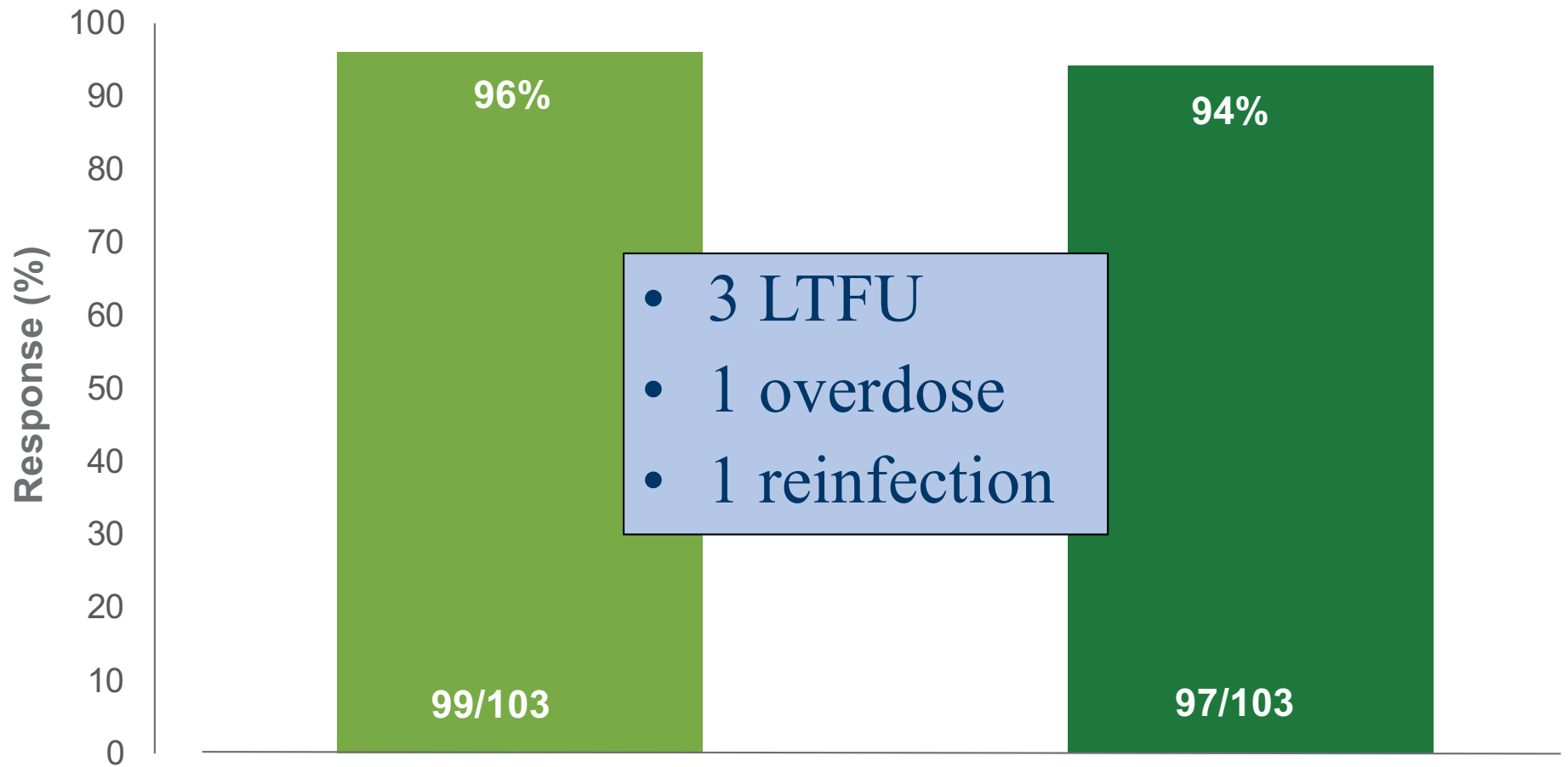
# All Recent PWID – The SIMPLIFY Study

- Kirby/UNSW sponsored, international open-label trial
- DAA treatment-naïve patients with GT1-6 chronic HCV infection (F0-4)
- Electronic blister packs to monitor adherence
- 100% people with recent injecting drug use (past six months)
- 74% Injection use in last 1 month
- 57% on OST

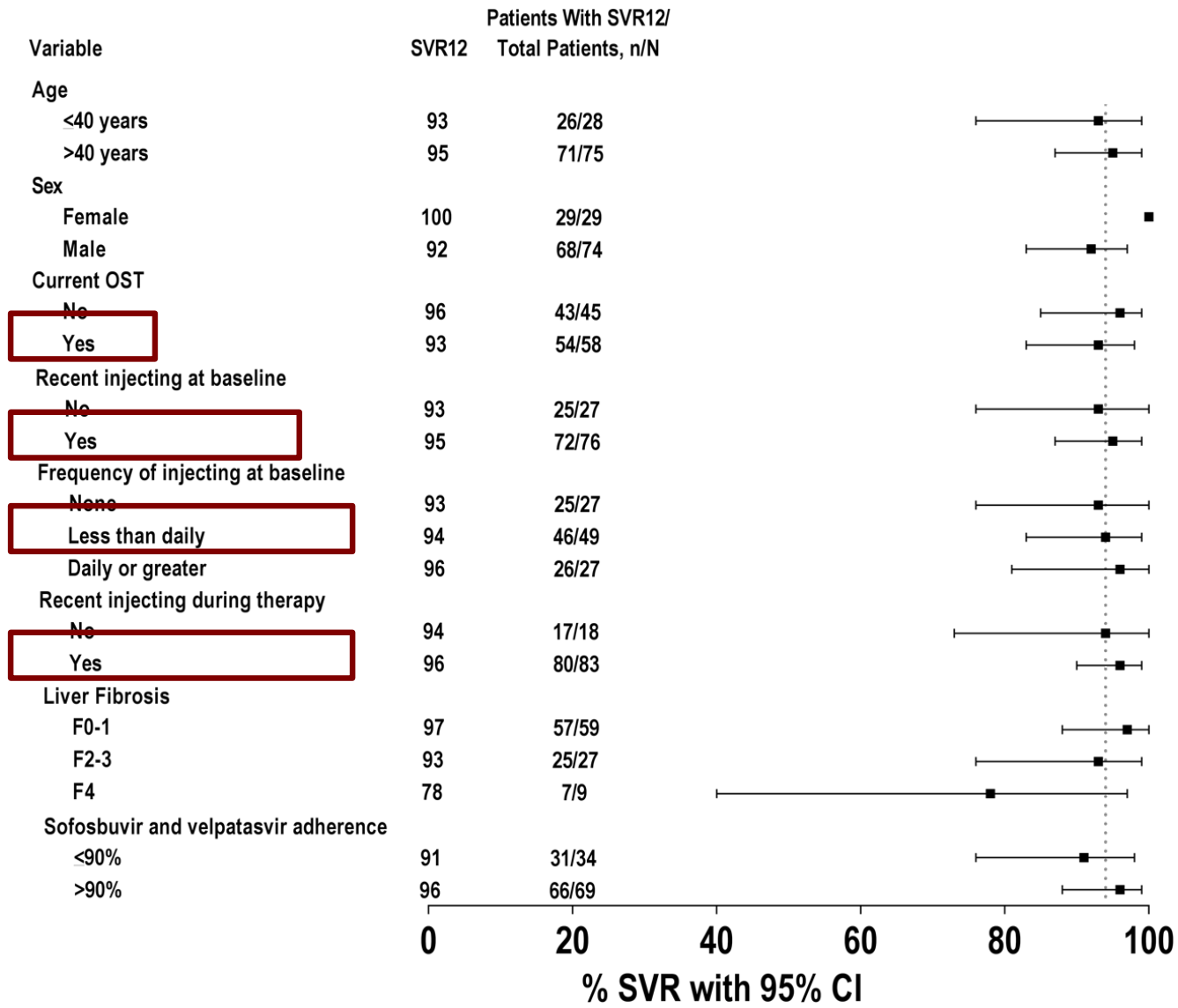


## Recent PWID – The SIMPLIFY Study

- 74% injecting in past 30 days
- 35% G1a, 58% G1b, 9% cirrhosis, DAA-treatment naïve



# Simplify: SVR, stratified by patient characteristics

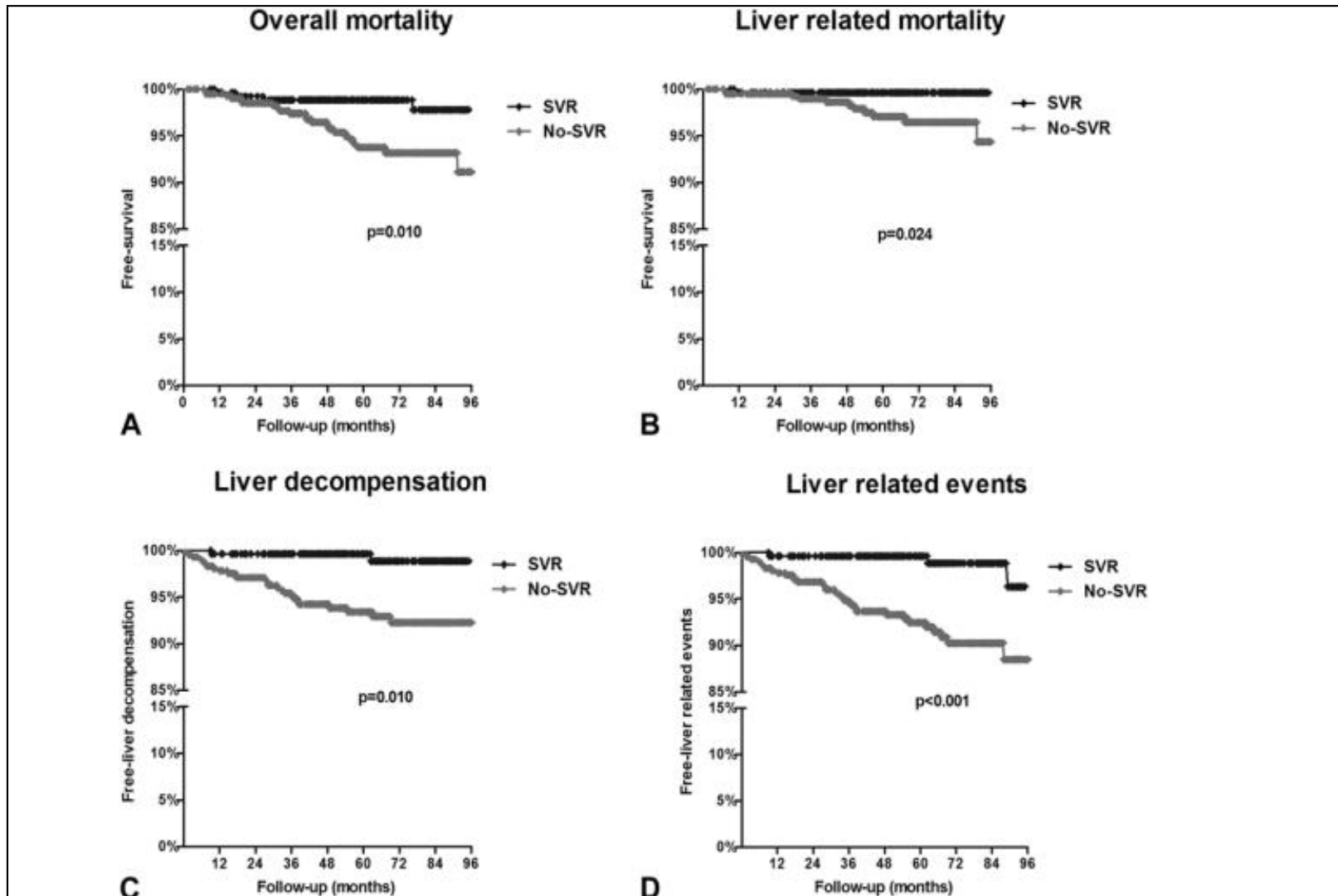


Yes, but what does SVR really mean?

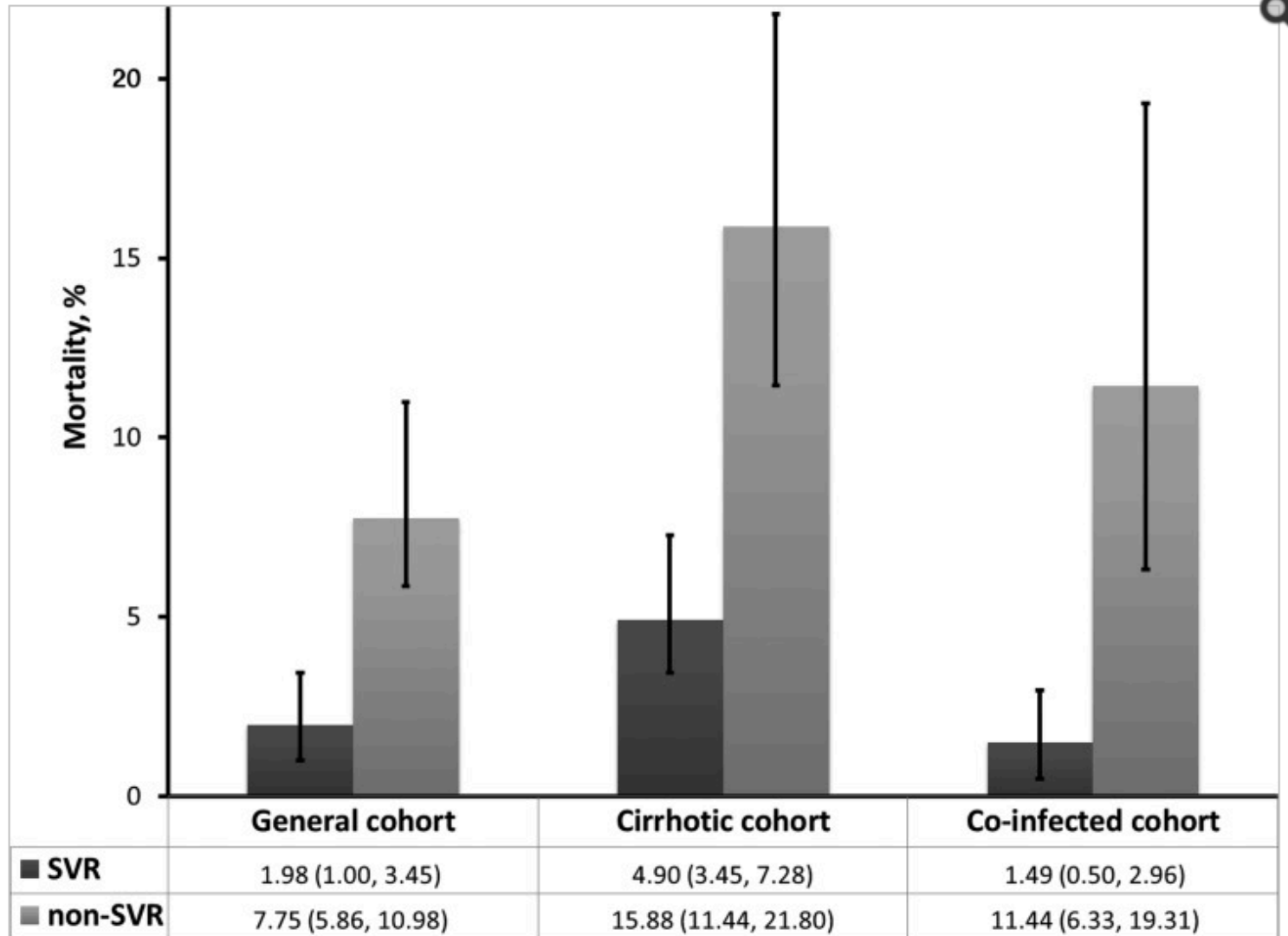
Do we actually get better clinical  
outcomes?



# Cure Actually Leads to Better Health! 695 HIV/HCV Cure vs. No Cure



# Mortality: HCV Cure vs. No Cure

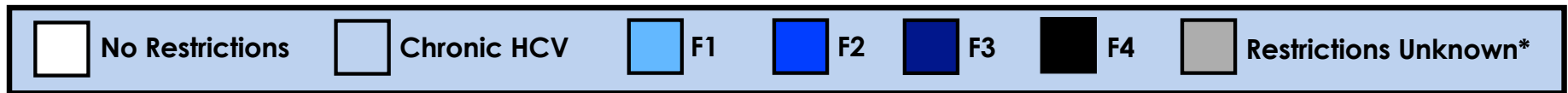
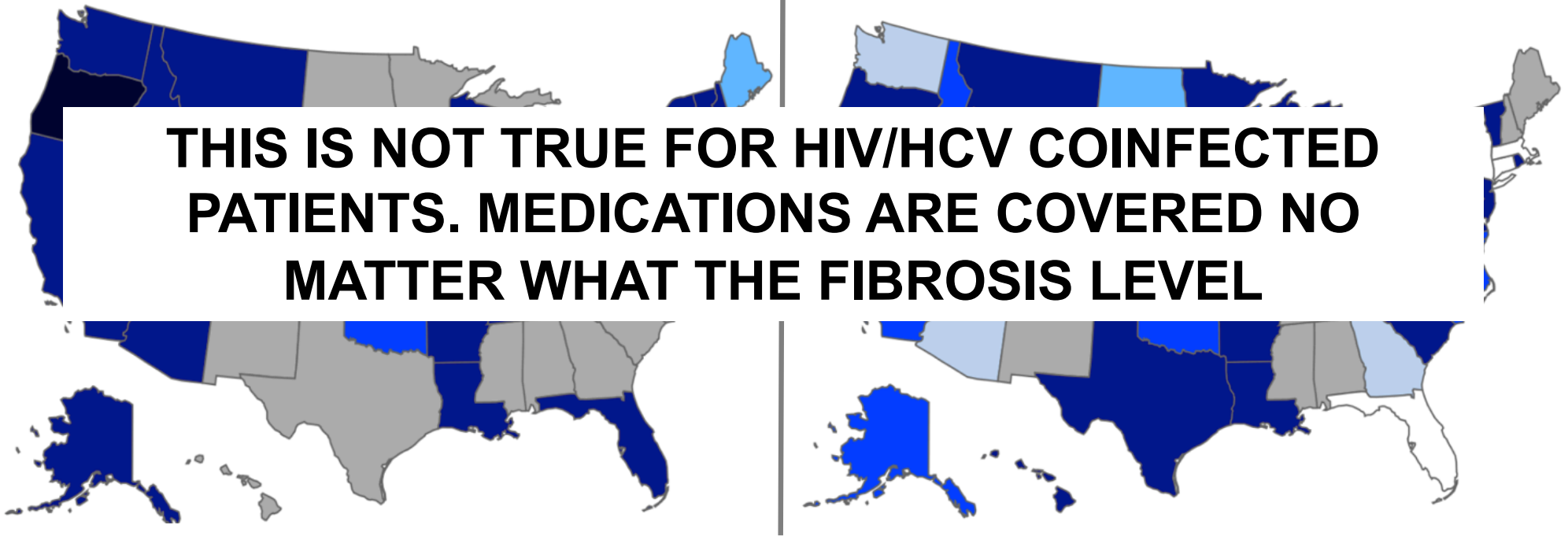


OK, but can you even get the meds?

# Restrictions by Fibrosis Stage

2014 FFS Medicaid Liver Disease Requirements

2016 FFS Medicaid Liver Disease Requirements

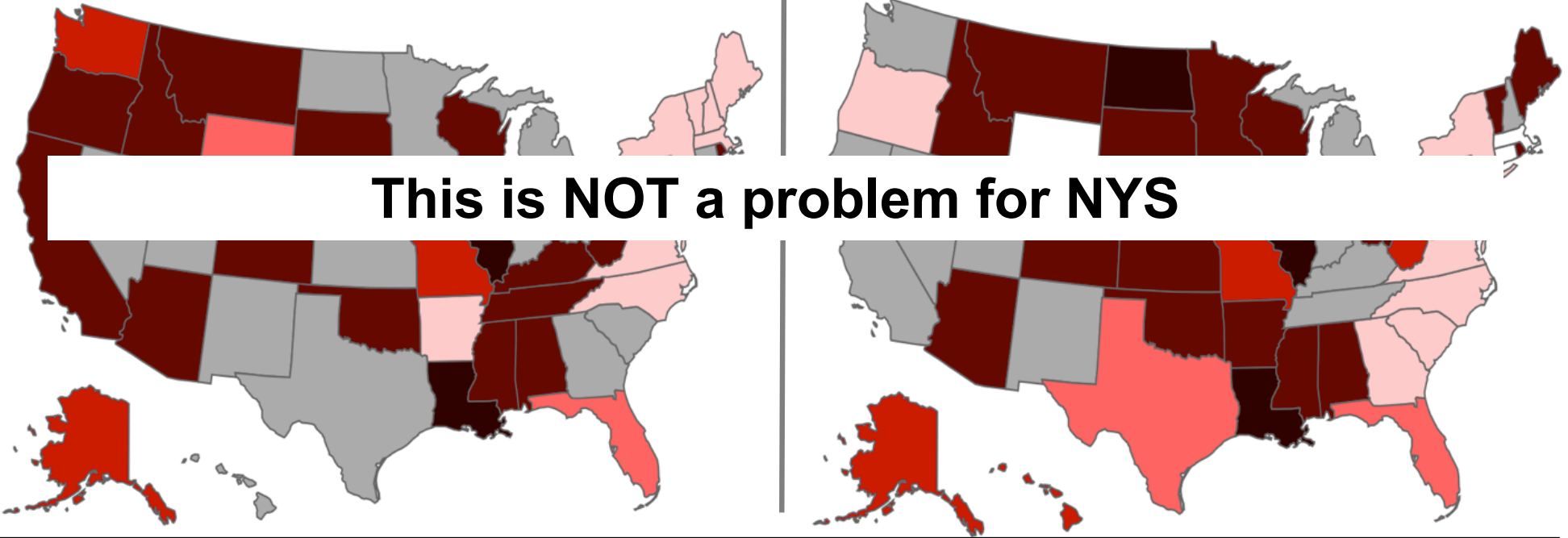


**75% of states still required  $\geq$ F2 for therapy**

# Restrictions by Drug Use

2014 FFS Medicaid Abstinence Requirements

2016 FFS Medicaid Abstinence Requirements

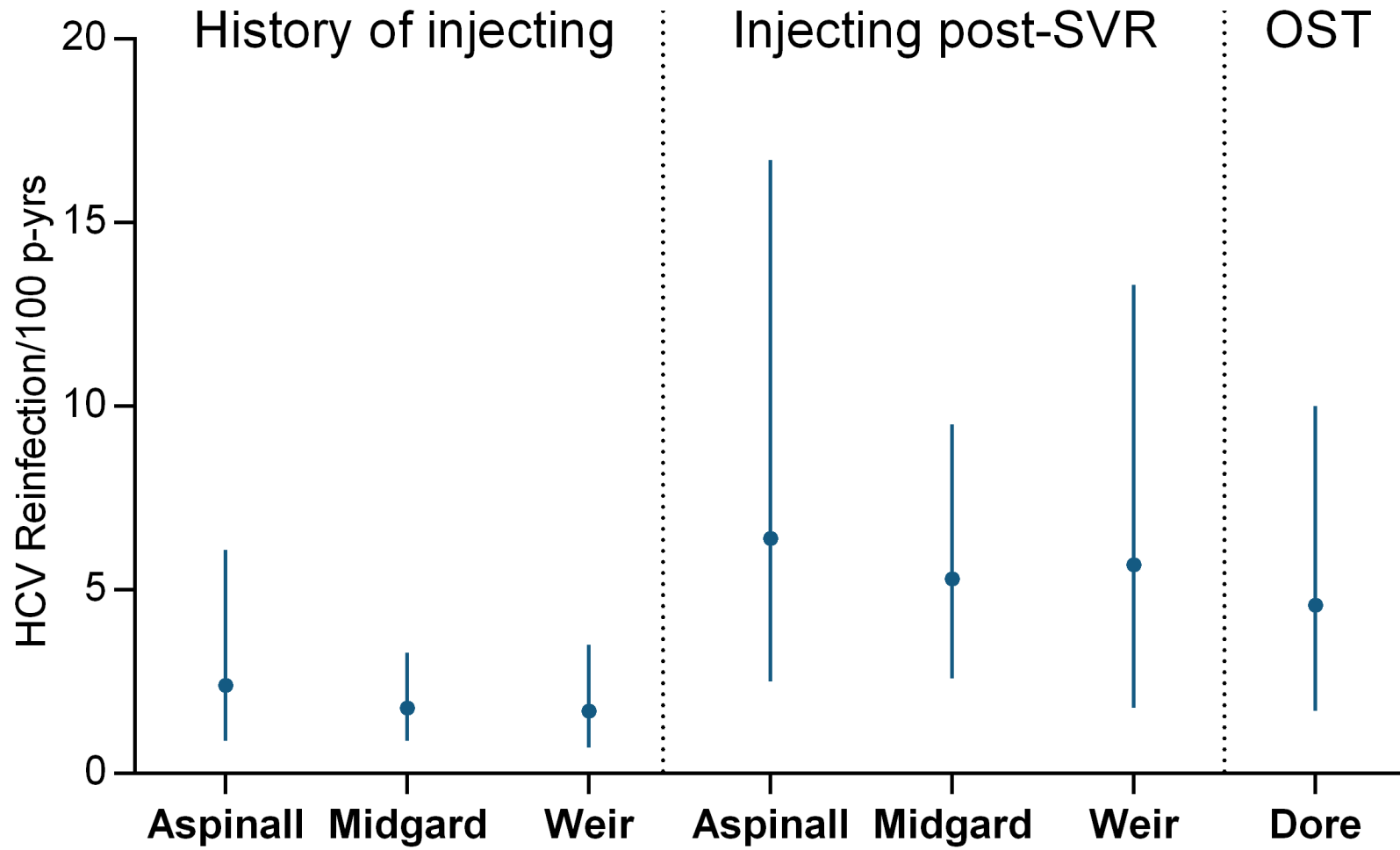


**This is NOT a problem for NYS**

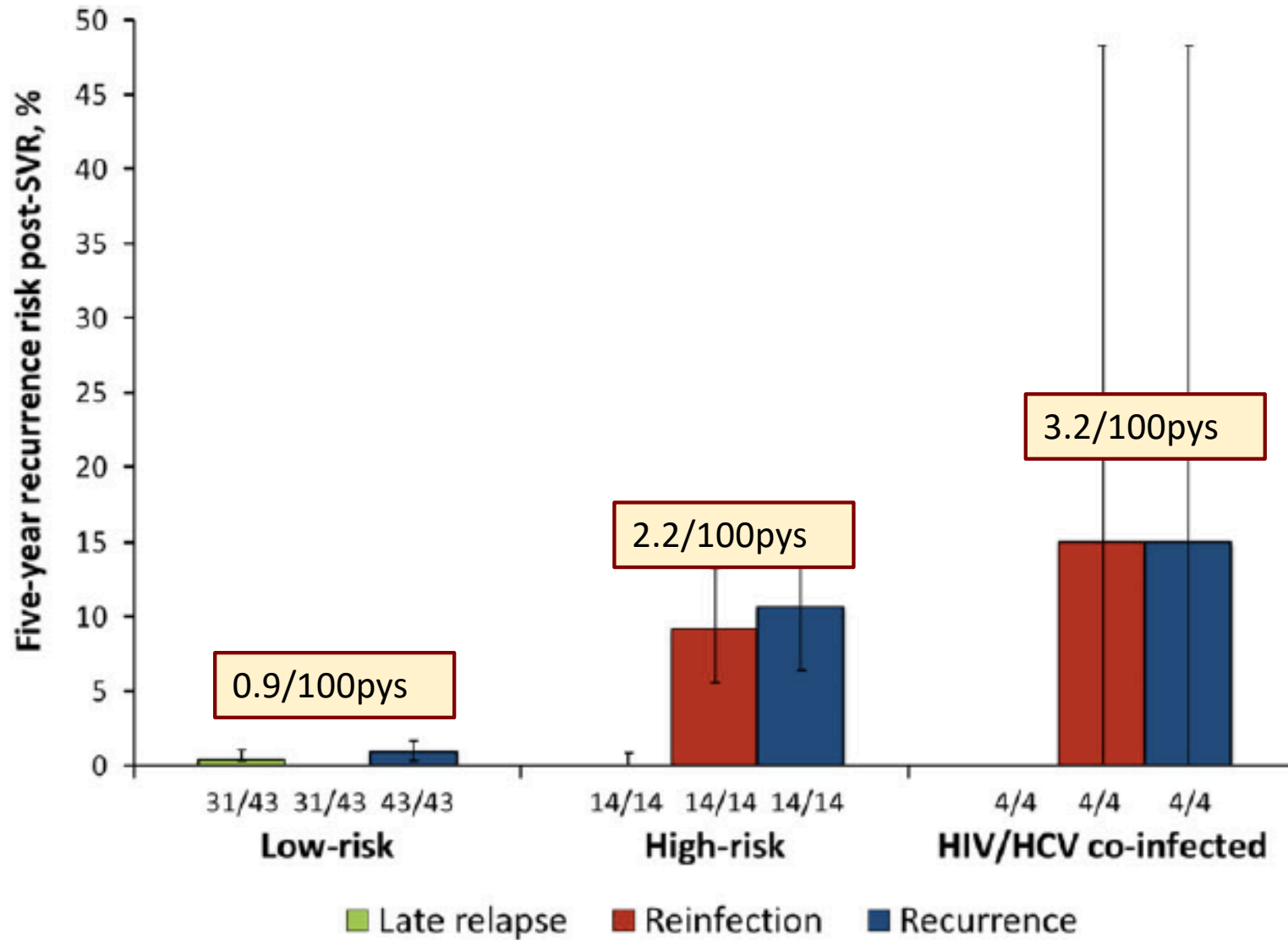
**71% of states have restrictions related to drug use**

Ok, but is this all for naught due to reinfection?

# What about reinfection?

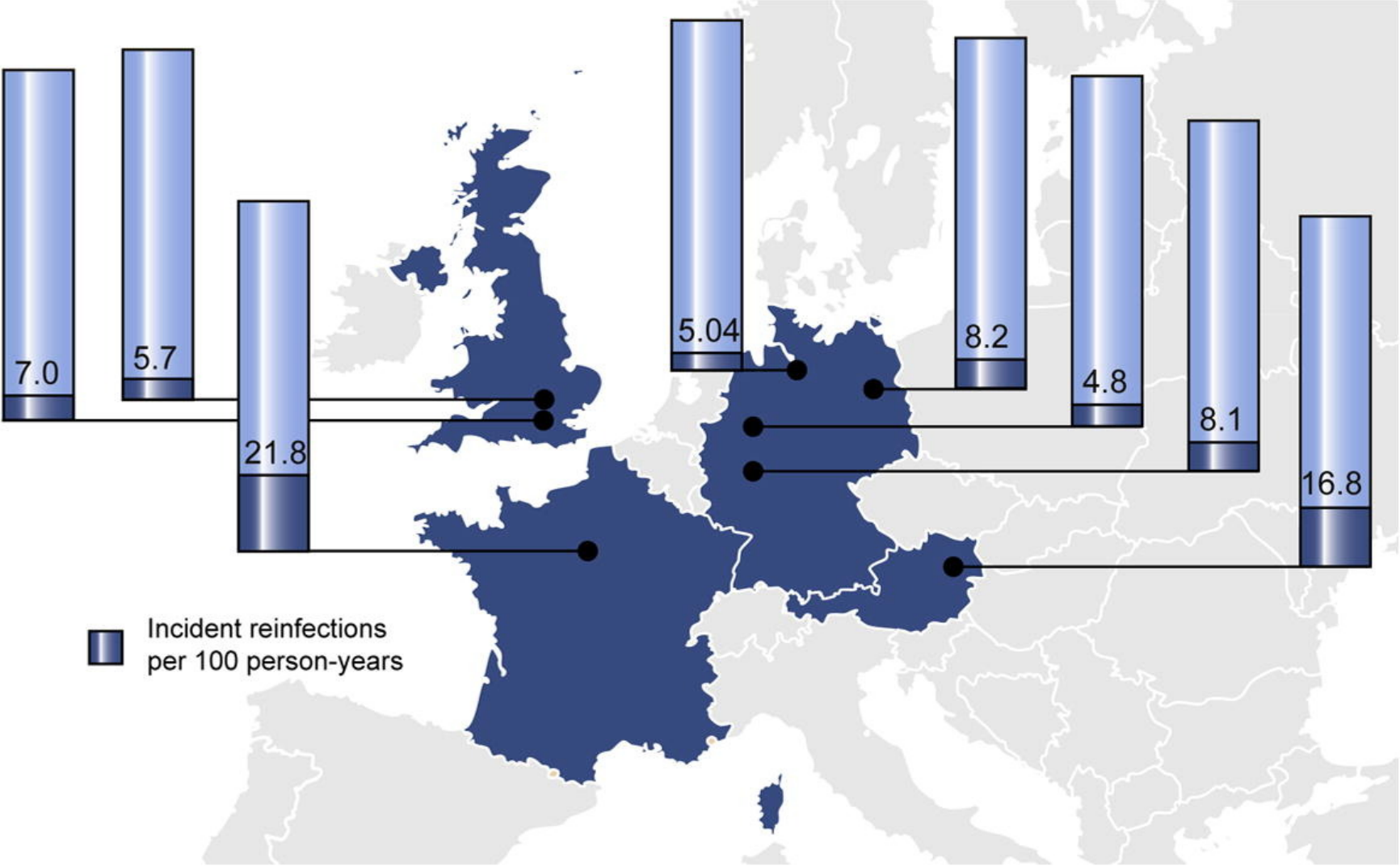


# Meta-Analysis Reinfection Rates



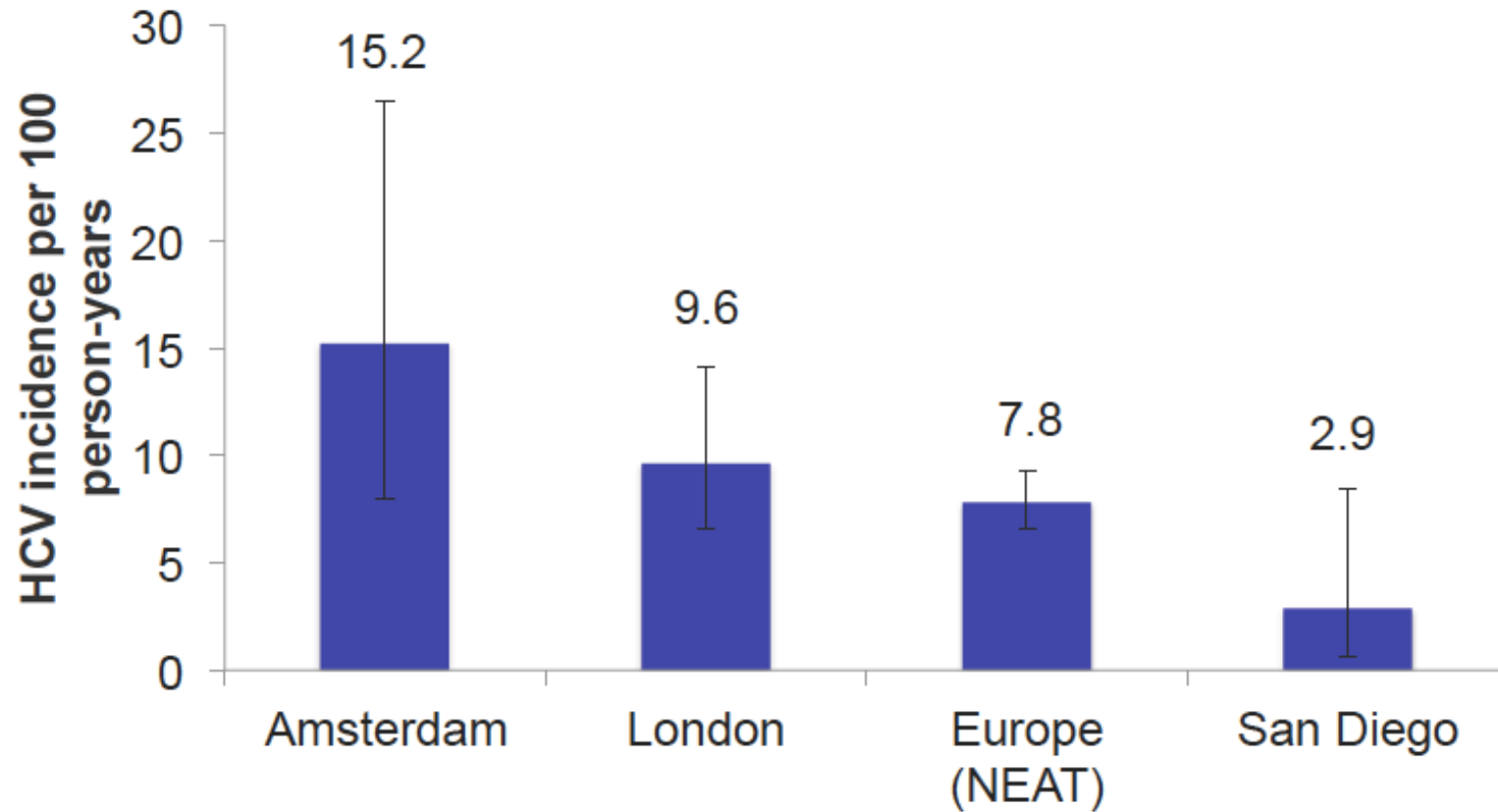


# Reinfection among HIV+ MSM

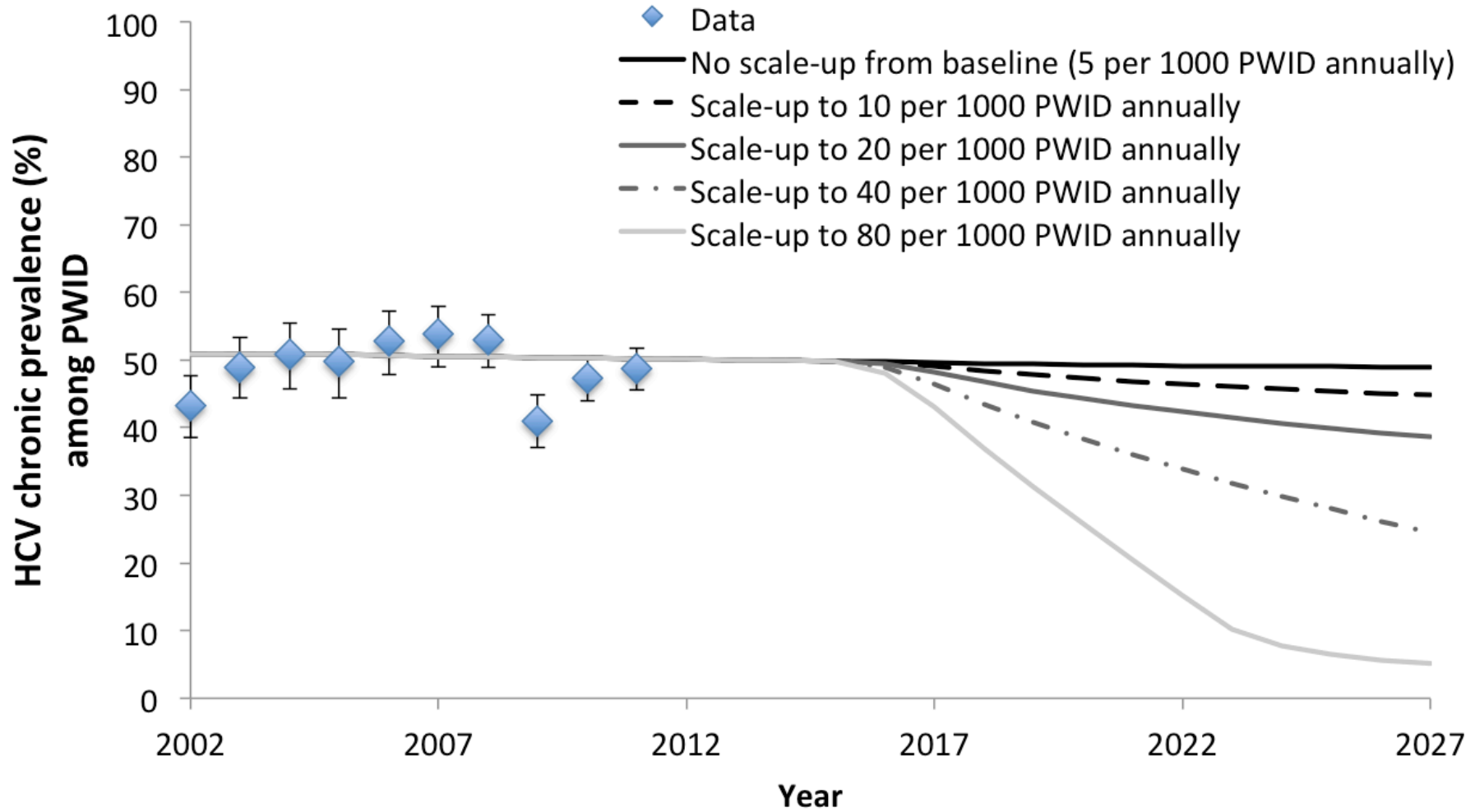


# US Data on HIV+ MSM Reinfection

## HCV reinfection incidence after SVR among HIV+ MSM



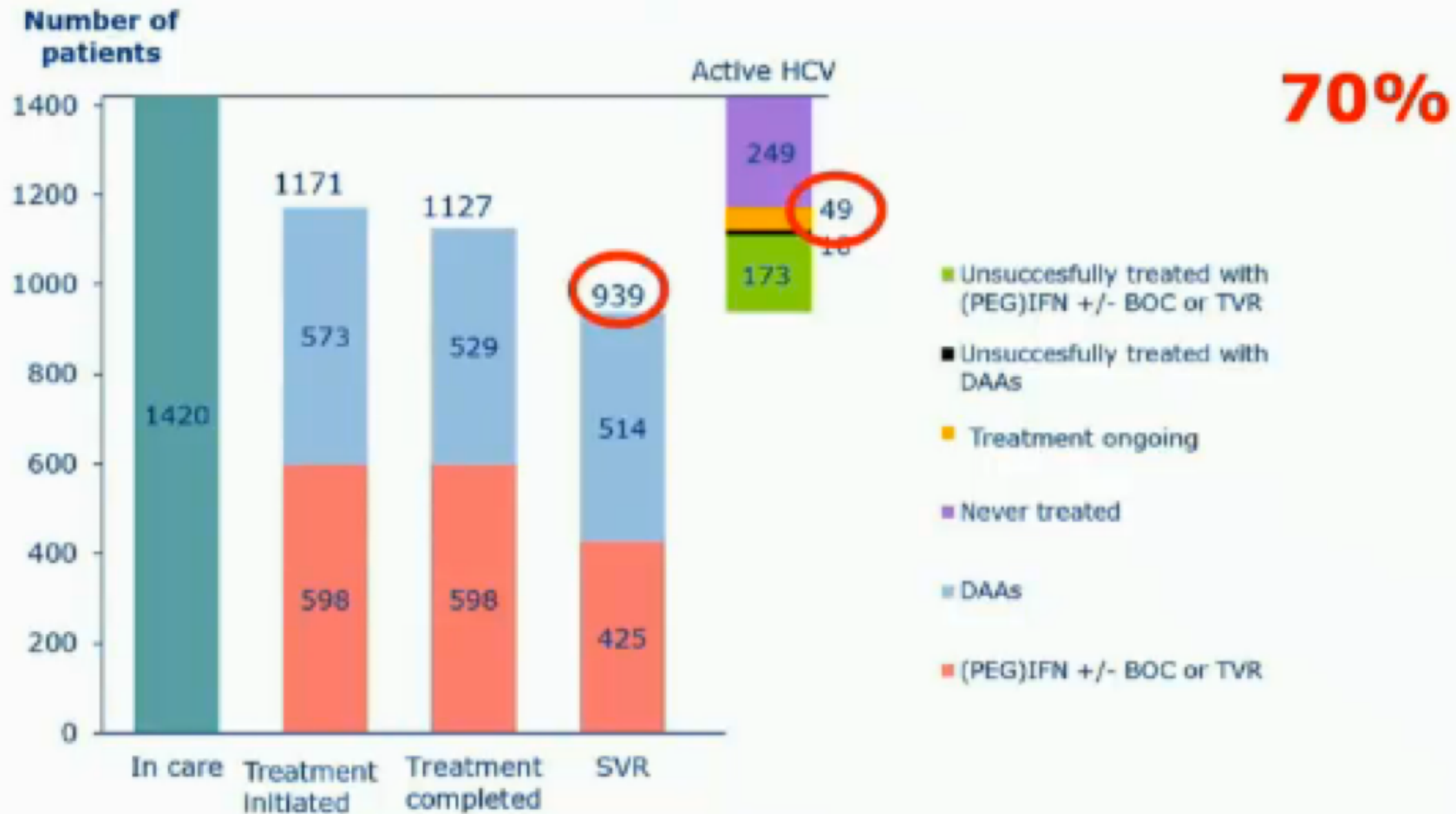
# HCV Treatment as Prevention



# Unrestricted access to DAA for HIV/HCV Co-infected in Netherlands

## HCV treatment cascade

01/2017



# Acute HCV infection post universal access in Netherlands Reduced

## Results:

### 2014

A-HCV n = 93

Genotype 1= 75 (81%)

Genotype 4= 18 (19%)

PYFU n = 8290

11.2/1000 PYFU  
(95% CI 9-14)

1.1% per year



### 2016

A-HCV n = 49

Genotype 1= 34 (69%)

Genotype 4= 15 (31%)

PYFU n = 8961

5.5/1000 PYFU  
(95% CI 4-7)

0,55% per year

## Take Home Points

- Both MSM and PWID make up the HIV/HCV epidemic
- HIV/HCV leads to worsened liver outcomes
- Treating HIV/HCV leads to CURE!
- Drug-drug interactions are manageable
- Treatment reduces mortality and leads to prevention!

# Questions





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