

Management of Treatment-Experienced Patients: New Agents and Rescue Strategies



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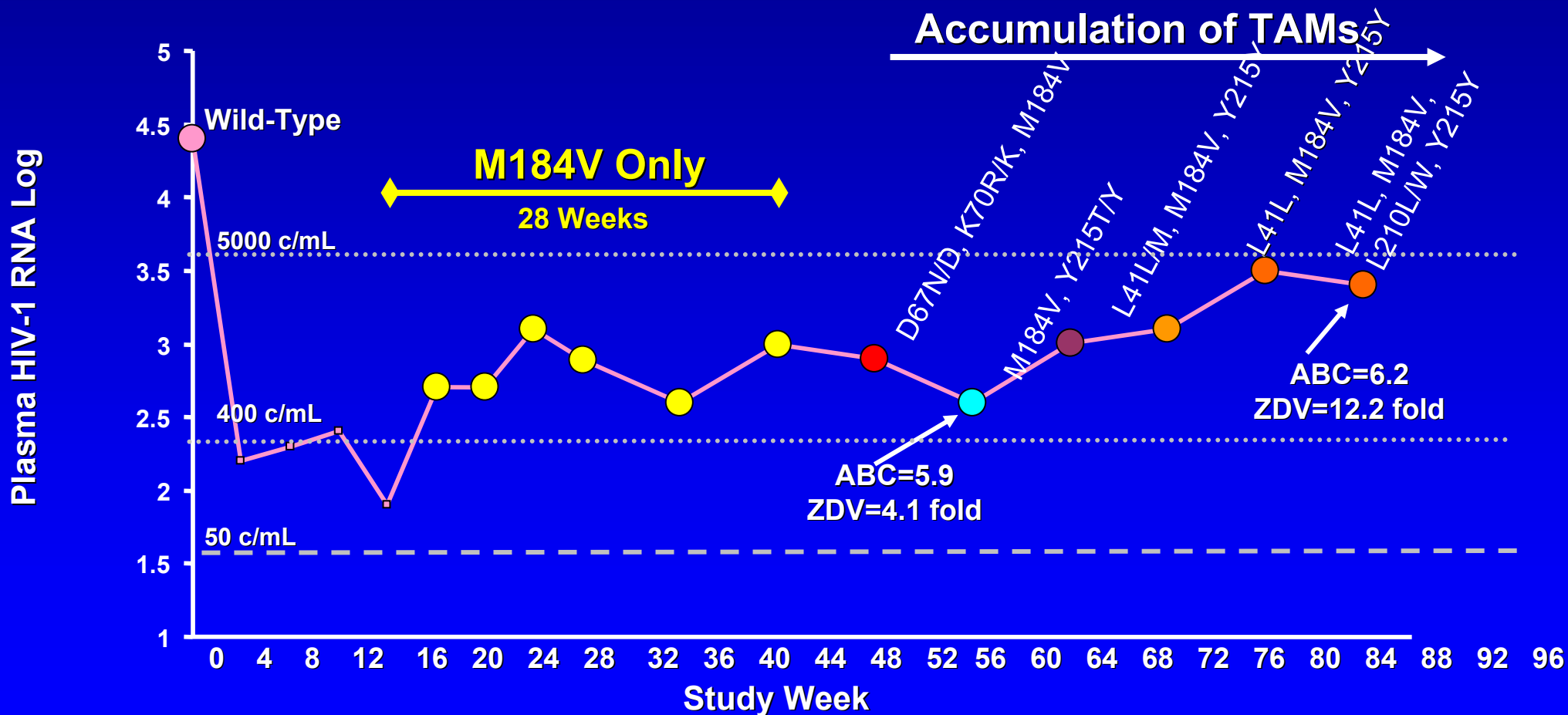
Resistance Evolves Even With Stable Low-Level HIV Viremia

- 80% of patients with VL <10,000 developed new RT or PI mutations over 8 months ¹
 - » Most common NRTI mutations: K70R, D67N, V118I, L74V
- 90% of patients with VL <1,000 developed resistance over 14 months ²
 - » Resistance to all on-treatment ARV was associated with VL increases >1000 (“progressive failure”)

¹ Kantor, 9th CROI; 2002; Seattle. Abstract 566.

² Coakley 9th CROI; 2002; Seattle. Abstract 556.; 2002;

Evolution of NRTI Resistance with Ongoing Virologic Failure (CNA 3005: AZT + 3TC + ABC)



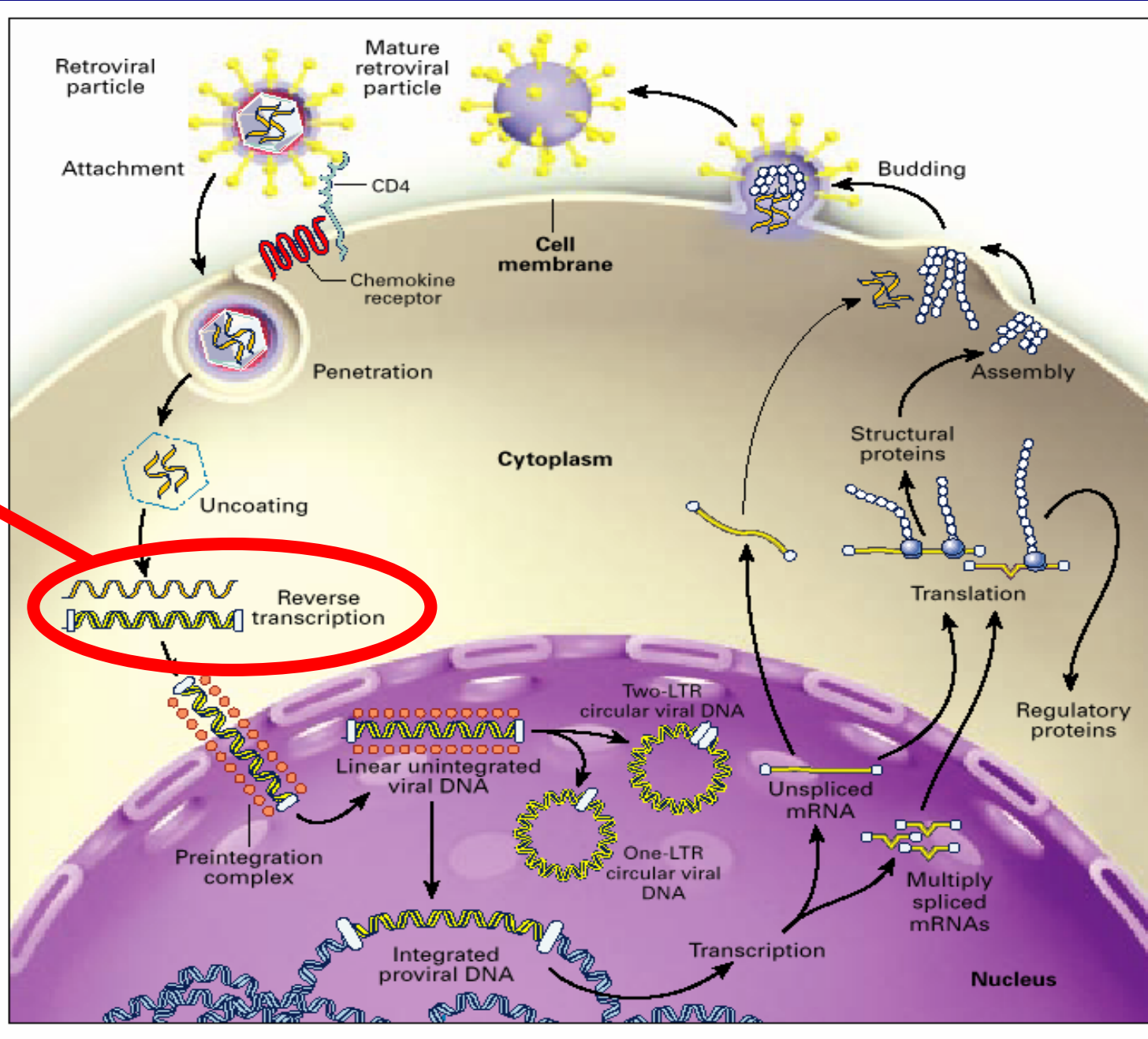
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HIV Lifecycle and Drug Targeting



NRTI Target

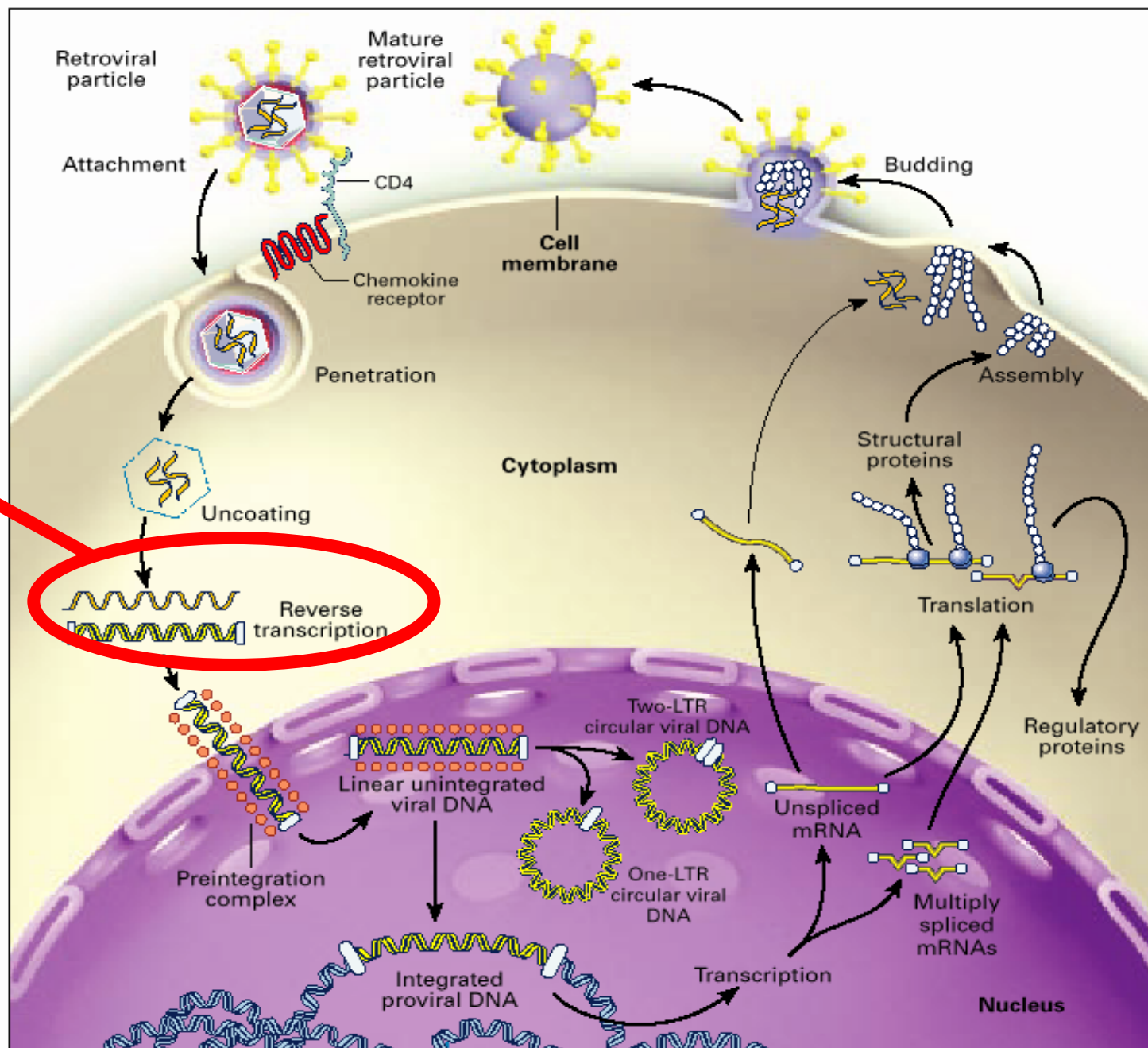
NRTI Sequencing Options After Failure of Specific NRTI Backbones

Initial Regimen	Likely Resistance Pattern	Most Active NRTIs
AZT/3TC d4T/3TC AZT/3TC/ABC	M184V +/- TAMs	Depends on number of TAMs and TAM pattern TDF or ddl may be most active NRTIs
TDF/3TC TDF/FTC	M184V +/- K65R	AZT + TDF + either 3TC or FTC (Resistance may be less common with FTC)
ABC/3TC	M184V +/- either L74V or K65R	AZT + TDF + either 3TC or FTC

Choose the next NRTIs based on resistance testing.

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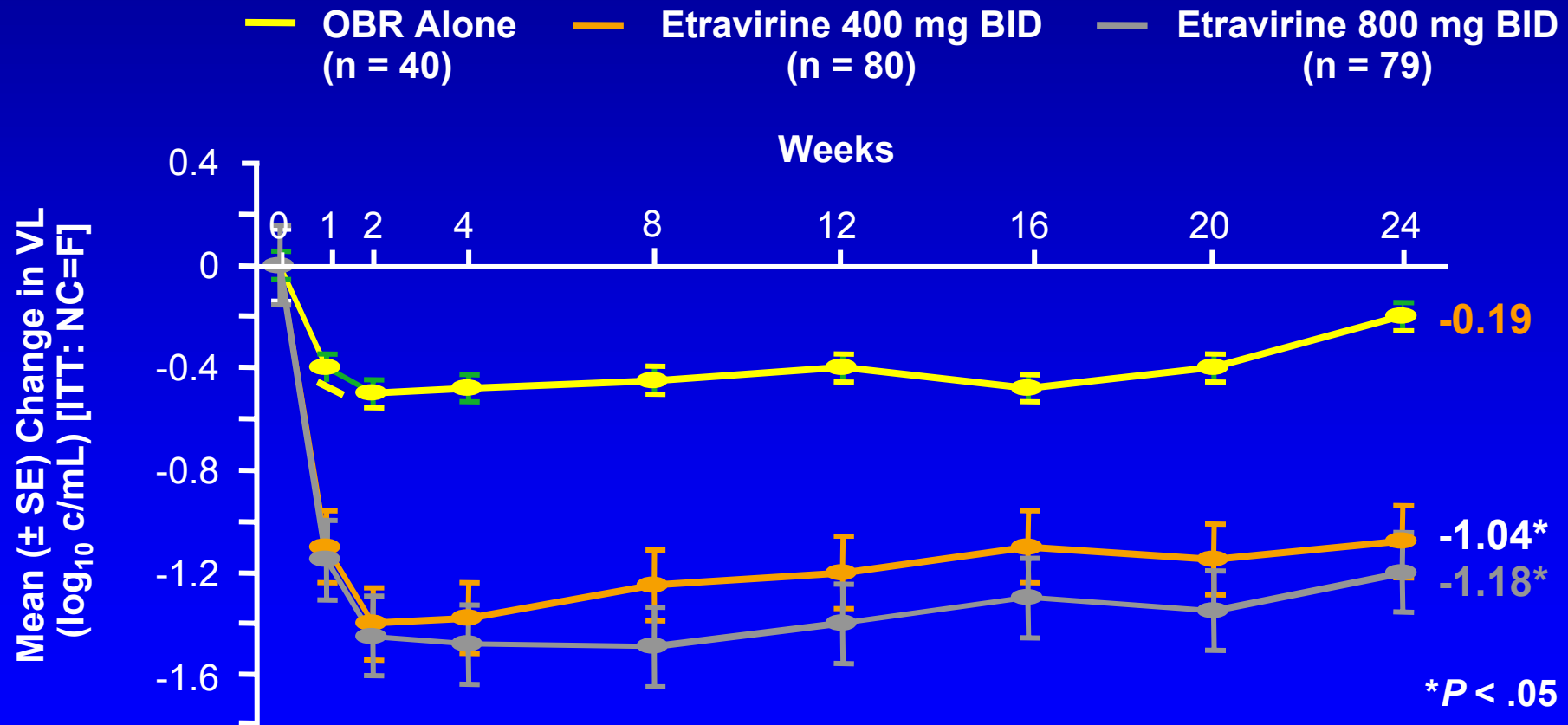
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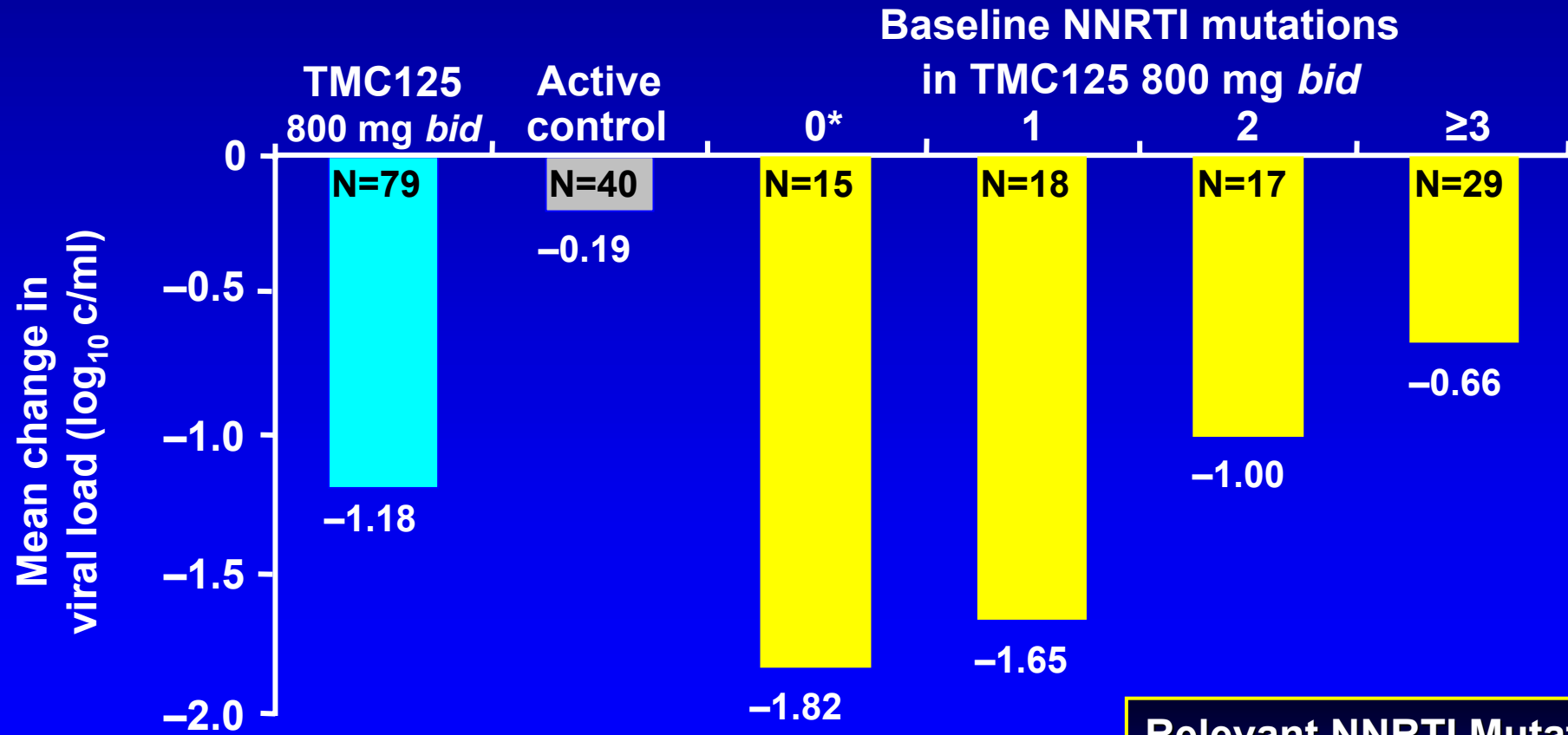
NNRTI Resistance

- Resistance mutations common at virologic failure
 - » May occur as 1st mutation, preceding M184V
- Limited prospects for sequential use of *current* NNRTIs:
 - » Poor results from NVP failure with 181C → EFV
 - » G190A/S, P225H cause DLV hypersusceptibility, but no clinical sequencing data
 - » 2nd generation NNRTIs promising: TMC125, TMC278

TMC125-C223: Virologic Response to Etravirine in Pts With NNRTI and PI Resistance



TMC125-C223: NNRTI Mutations and Response to Etravirine at Week 24

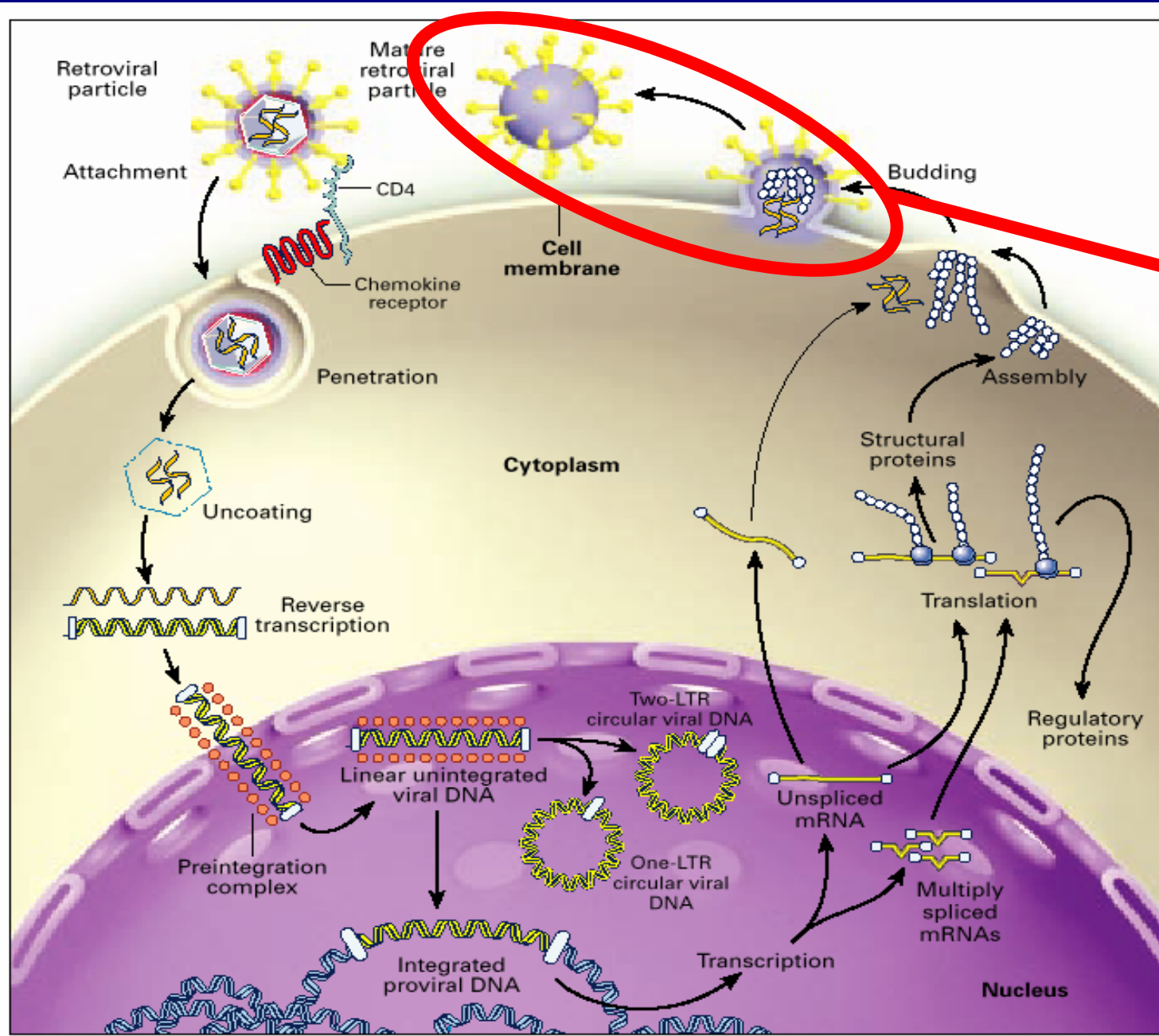


*All subjects had NNRTI mutations from prior genotyping

Relevant NNRTI Mutations:

K101P, V179E, V179F, Y181I, Y181V, G190S, M230L

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PI
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Resistance Patterns after PI Failure

Unboosted PIs

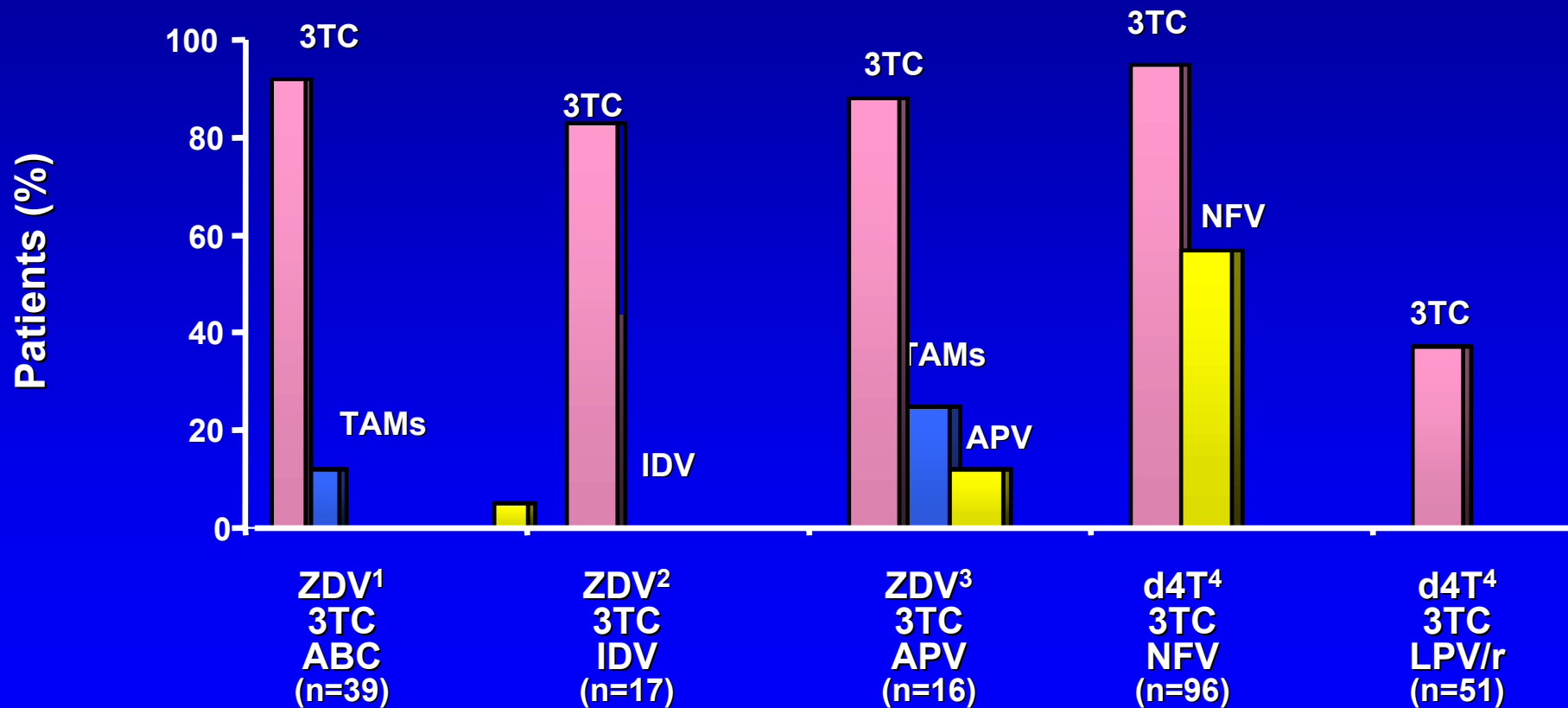
- NFV:
 - » 30N: no cross-resistance
 - » 90M: cross-resistance
- SQV:
 - » 48V: no cross-resistance
 - » 90M: cross resistance
- ATV:
 - » 50L: no cross-resistance
- IDV:
 - » Various mutations causing cross-resistance
- FPV
 - » I54L/M, V32I + I47V:
Variable cross-resistance

RTV-Boosted PIs

- No PI resistance after failure of:
 - » LPV/r
 - » FPV/r
 - » SQV/r
 - » ATV/r

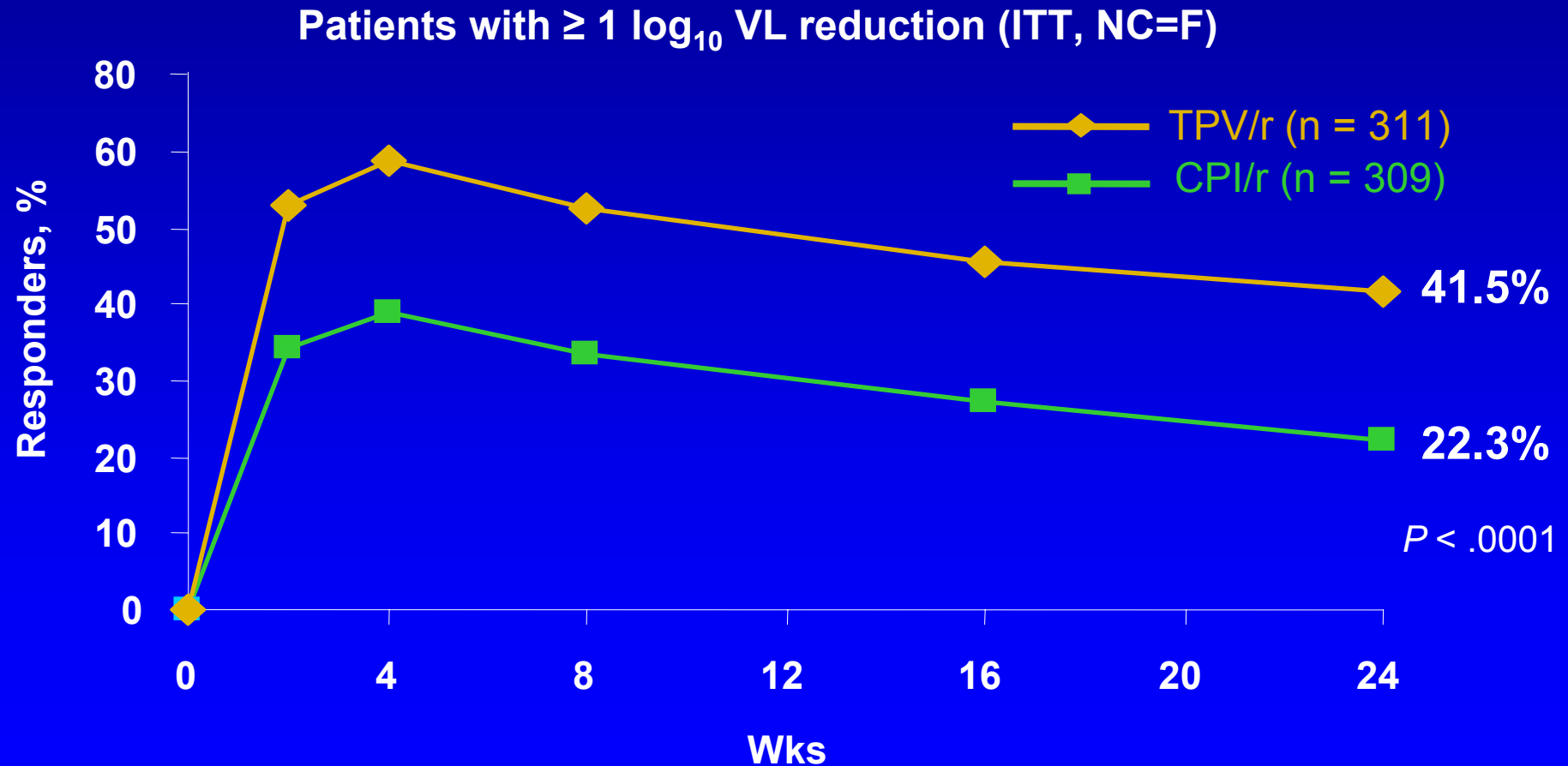
Choose the next PI based on resistance testing.

Resistance at Time of First Virologic Failure

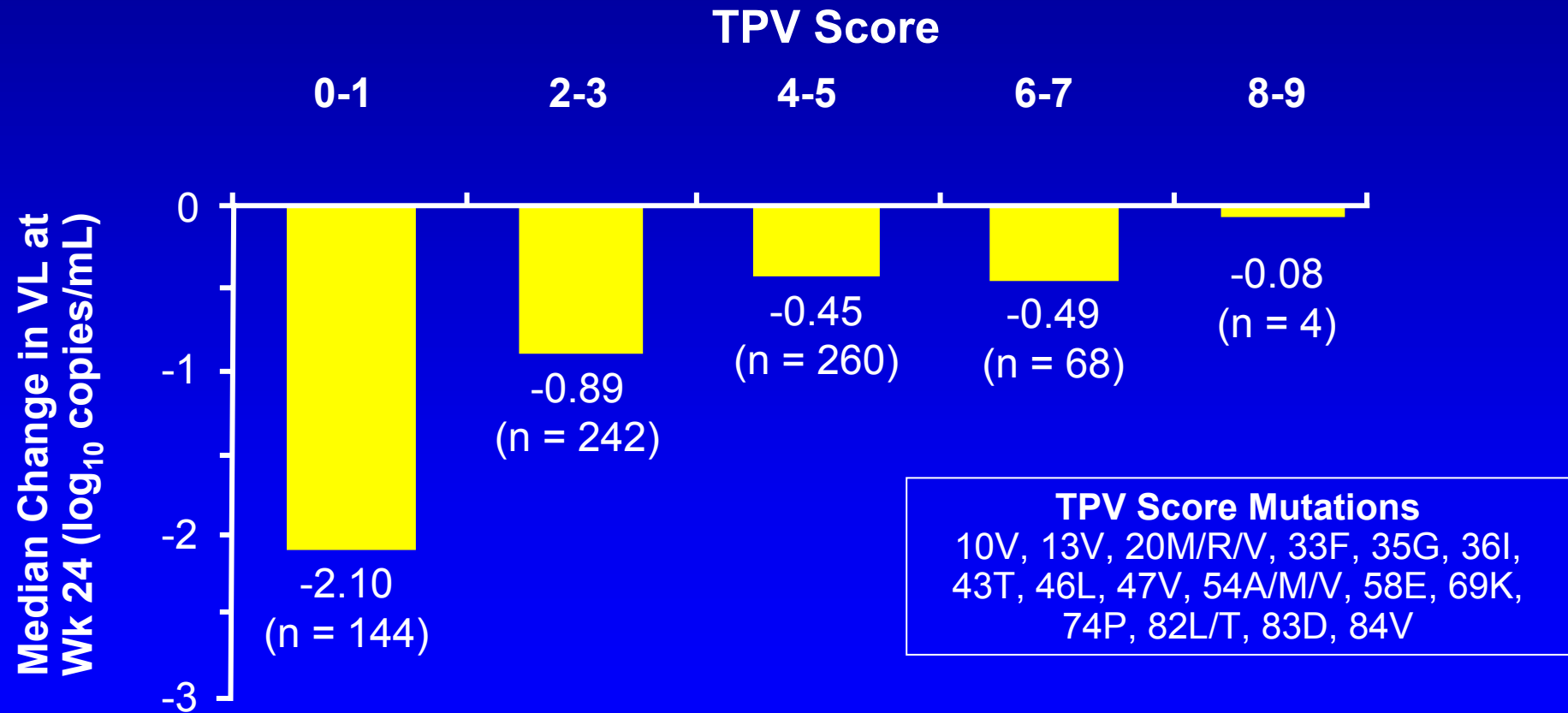


¹Melby T. 8th CROI, 2001. Abstract 448; ²Havir D, et al. *JAMA*. 2000;283:229-234; ³Rusconi S, et al. *Antiviral Ther*. 1998;3:203-207. ⁴Kempf D. 10th CROI. Boston, 2003. Abstract 600

RESIST-1: Superior Virologic Responses With Tipranavir/Ritonavir

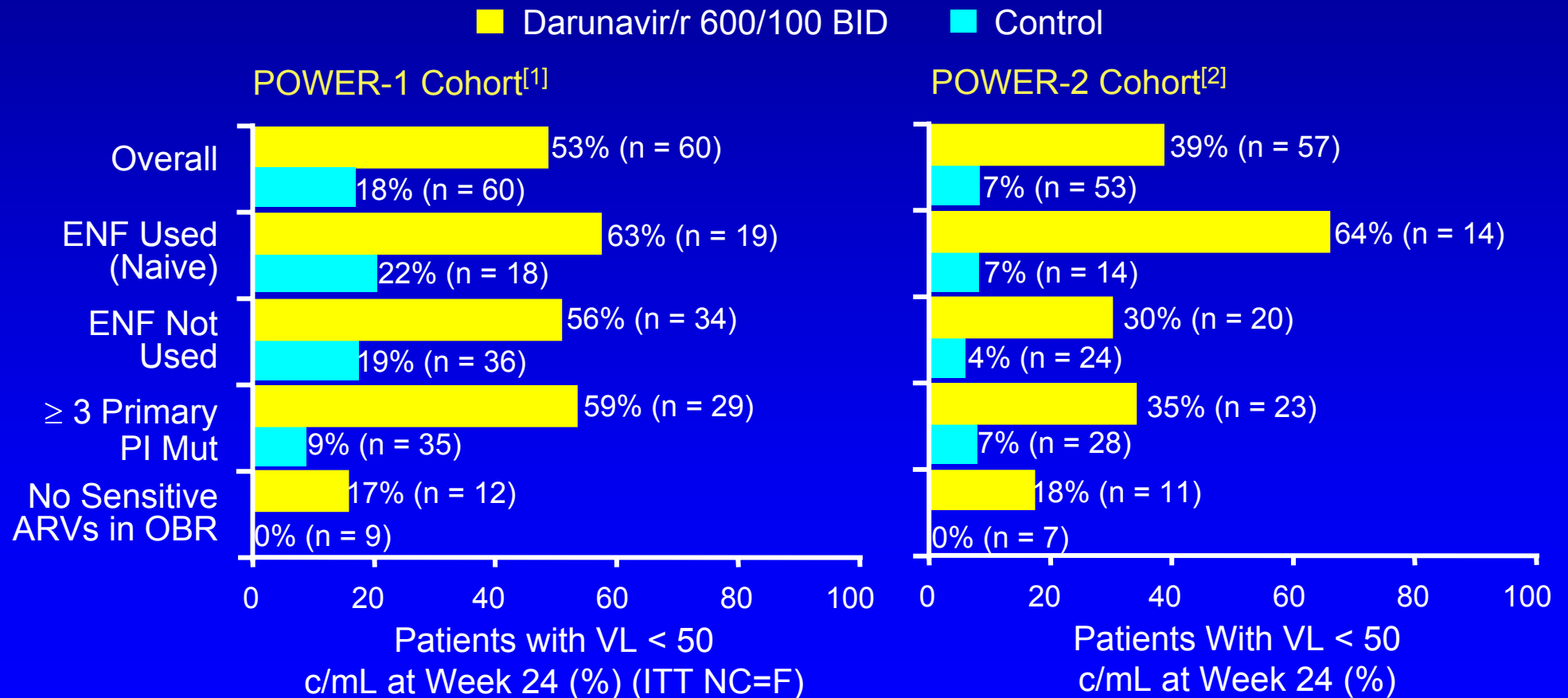


Relationship of TPV Score to TPV Phenotype Results and Response



*24-week data from patients in RESIST-1 and -2 given TPV/r.

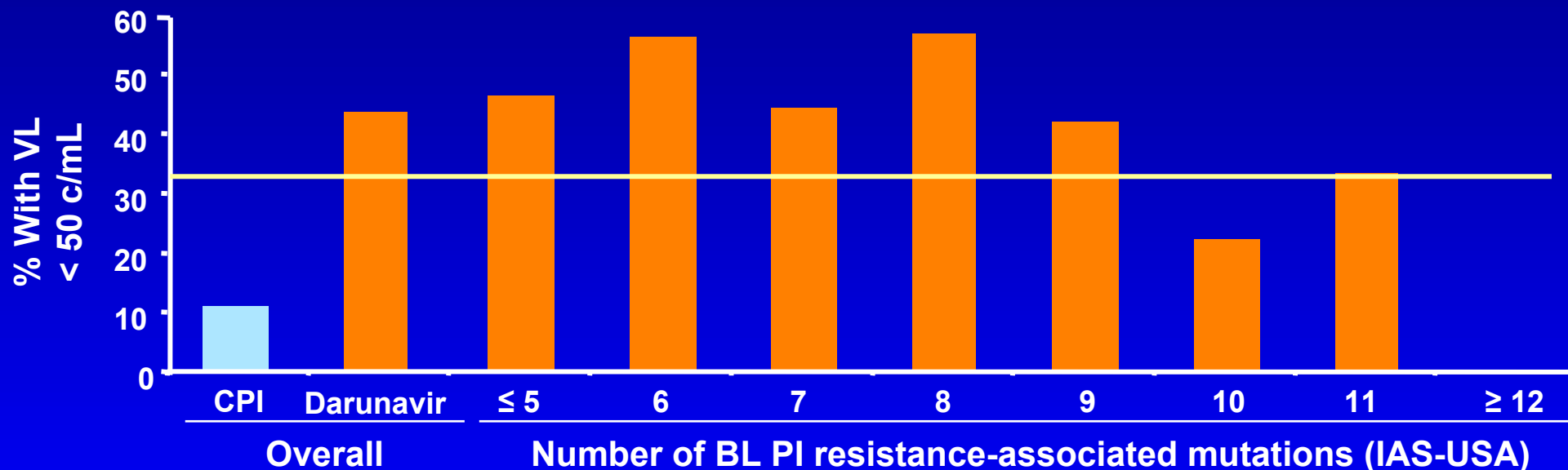
POWER: Subgroup Analyses of Response to Darunavir/r 600/100 BID



1. Katlama C, et al. IAS 2005. Abstract WeOaLB0102.

2. Wilkin T, et al. ICAAC 2005. Abstract H-413.

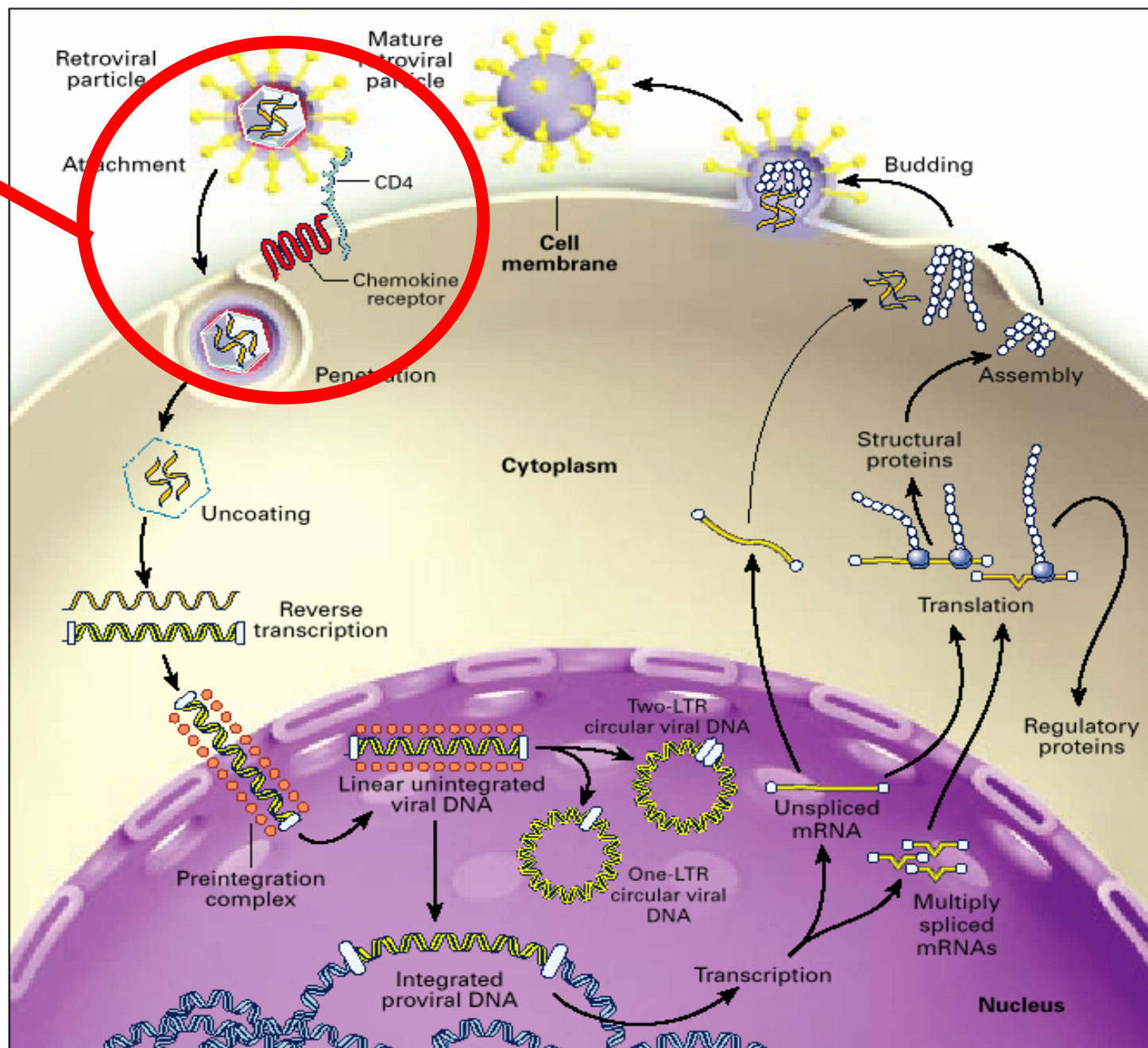
Effect of Baseline Resistance on Response to Darunavir



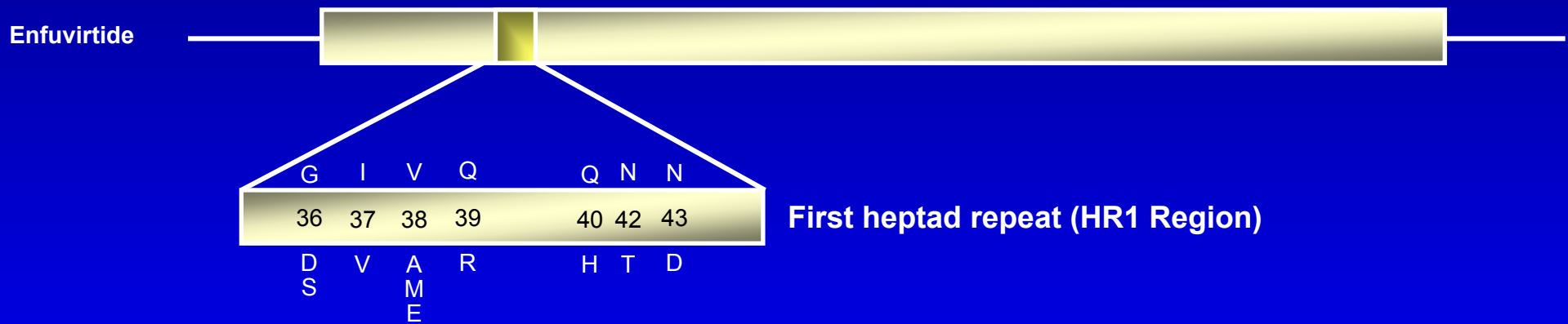
- BL mutations associated with diminished response (< 33% with VL < 50 c/mL)
 - » V11I, V32I, L33F, I47V, I50V, I54L, I54M, G73S, L76V, I84V and L89V (highlighted mutations emerged on therapy)
 - » Presence associated with a higher number of PI mutations
 - » Darunavir response remained higher than that of CPI

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Entry Inhibitor target

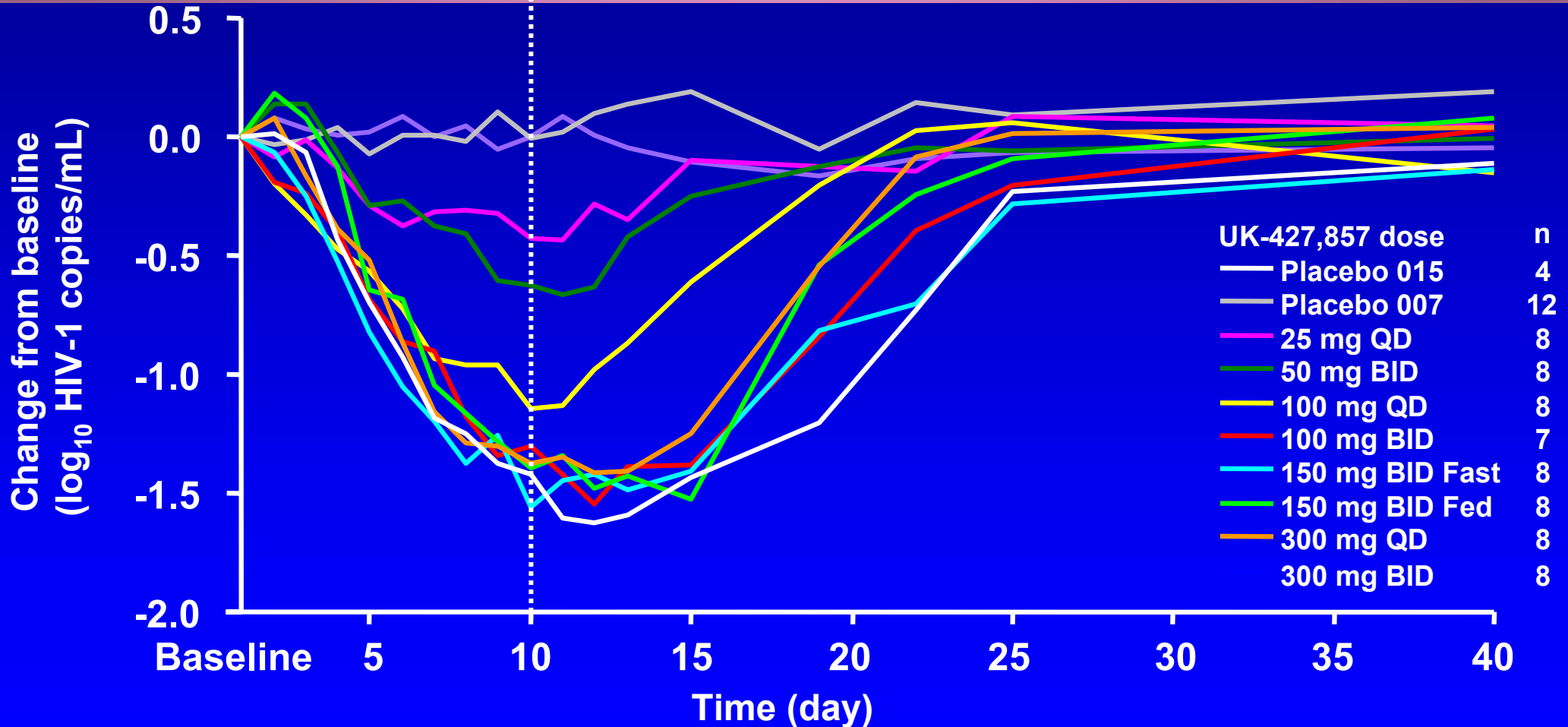


gp 41 *env* Mutations Associated With Enfuvirtide Resistance: IAS-USA 2005



Maraviroc: Change in HIV RNA

Last day of dosing



Update on CCR5 inhibitors

Aplaviroc (GSK)

- Phase IIb/III trials recently stopped due to hepatotoxicity
- 4 (1%) treatment-emergent grade 3/4 ALT and total bilirubin >1.5x ULN

Vicriviroc (Schering-Plough)

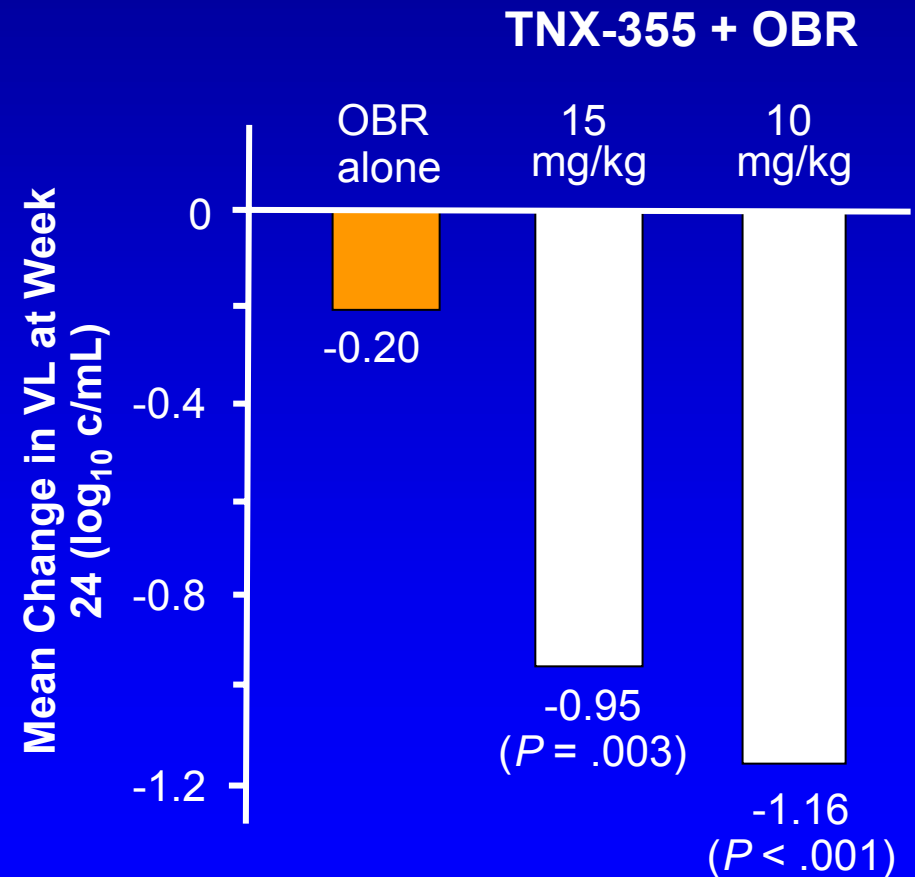
- Study in ART-naïve stopped because of high rate of failure vs. EFV
- May have been due to study design
- Studies in experienced patients ongoing

Maraviroc (Pfizer)

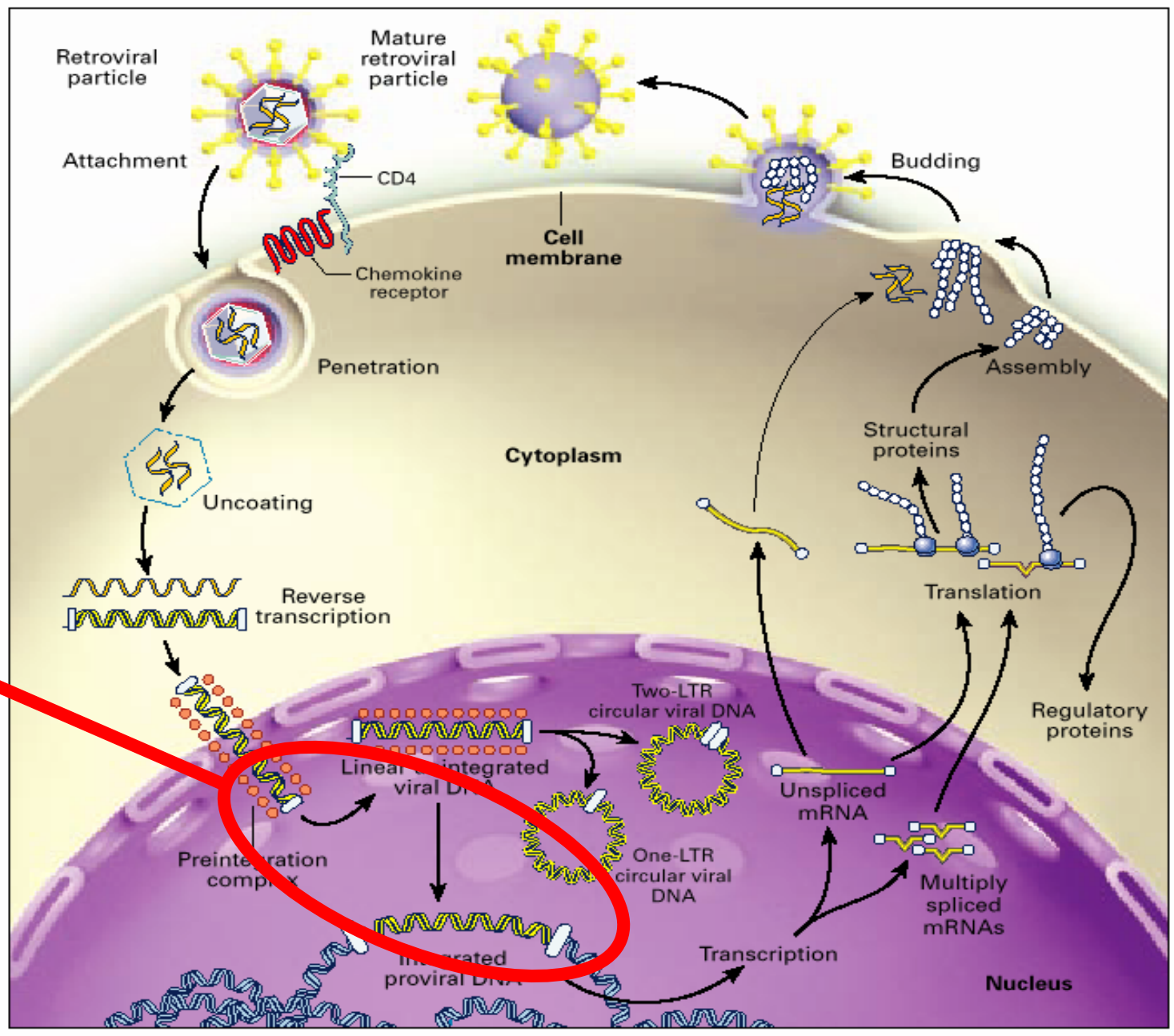
- Studies ongoing in naive and experienced patients
- 1 case with increased LFTs under review

TNX-355: Novel Entry Inhibitor

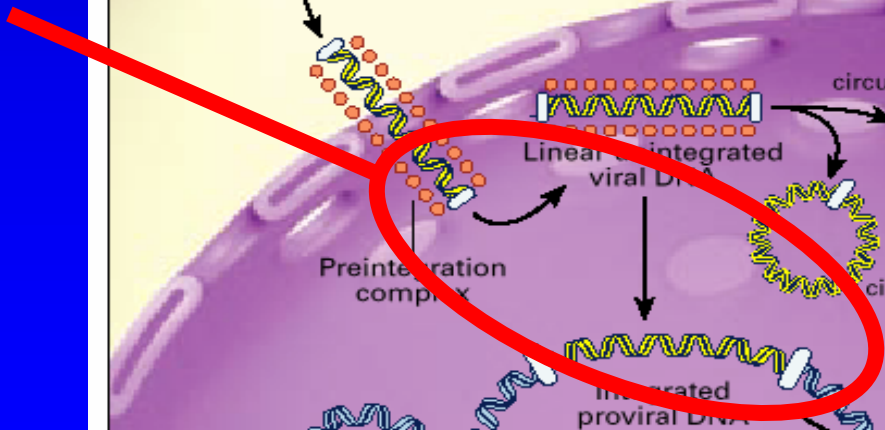
- Anti-CD4 monoclonal antibody blocks gp120 attachment to CD4 receptor
 - » Delivered by IV infusion
- Phase II randomized trial in 82 3-class experienced patients ^[1]
 - » TNX-355 + OBR or OBR alone
 - » TNX-355 doses:
 - 15 mg/kg IV every 2 wks
 - 10 mg/kg IV every wk x 8 wks, then 10 mg/kg every 2 wks



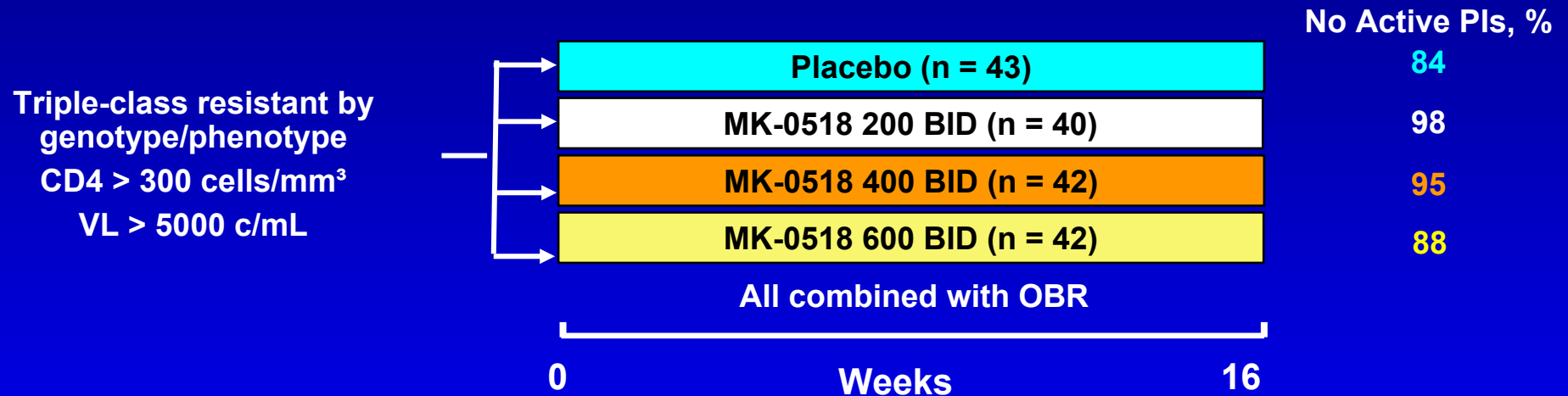
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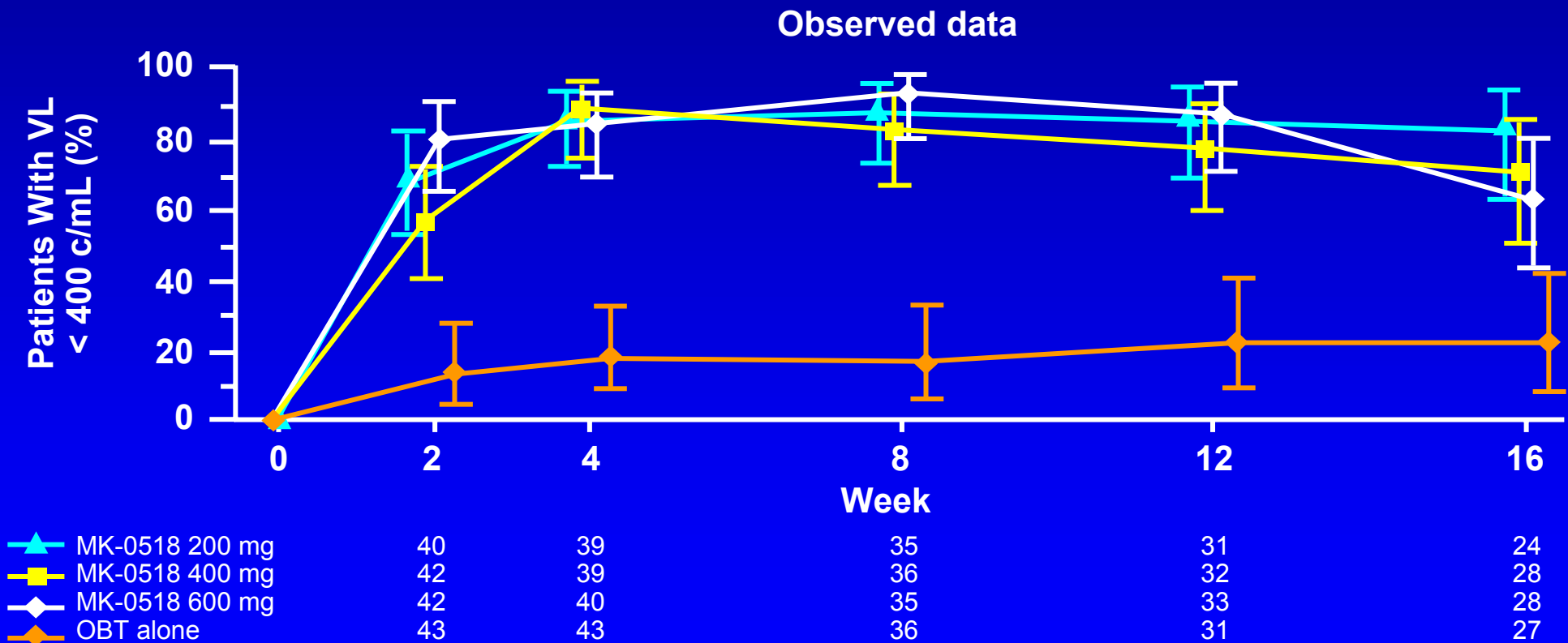


Integrase Inhibitor: MK-0518



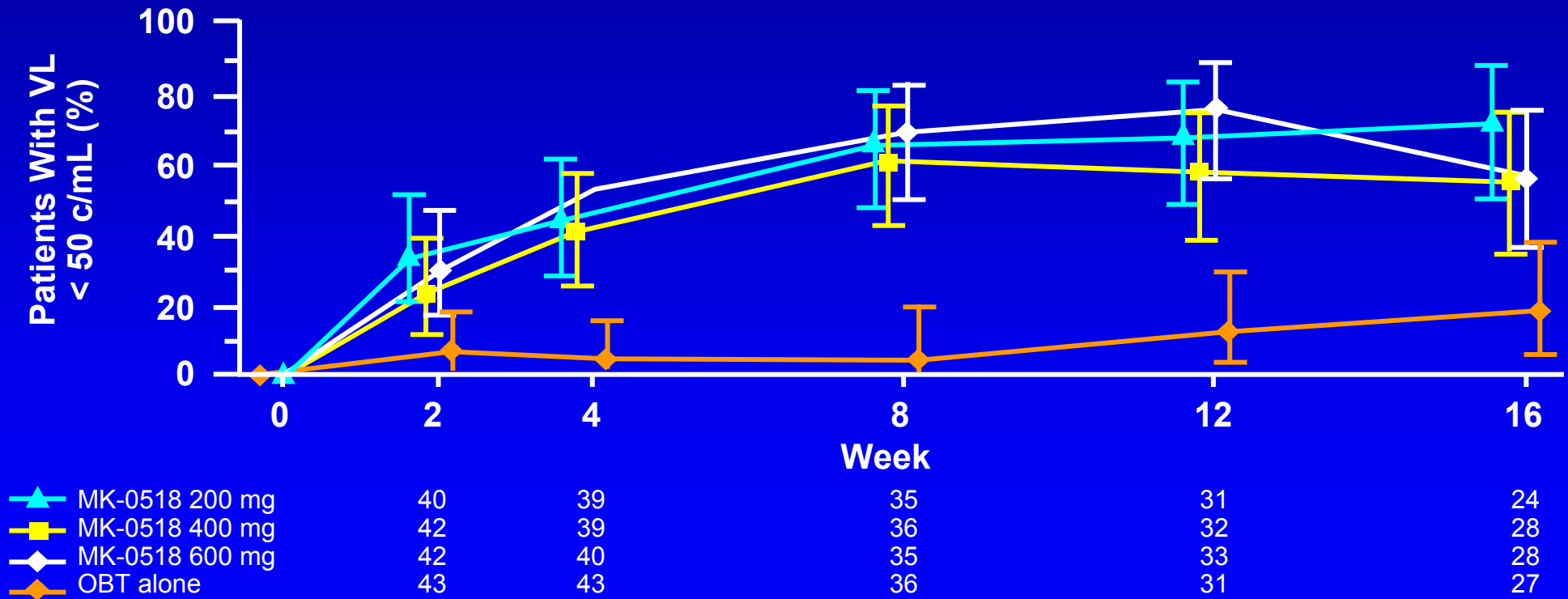
- Multicenter, double-blind randomized study
- Preliminary data reported
- Endpoints
 - » HIV-1 RNA, CD4 counts at 16 weeks
 - » Safety
- No boosting effect of ritonavir with this compound

MK-0518: Viral Suppression < 400 c/mL Through Week 16



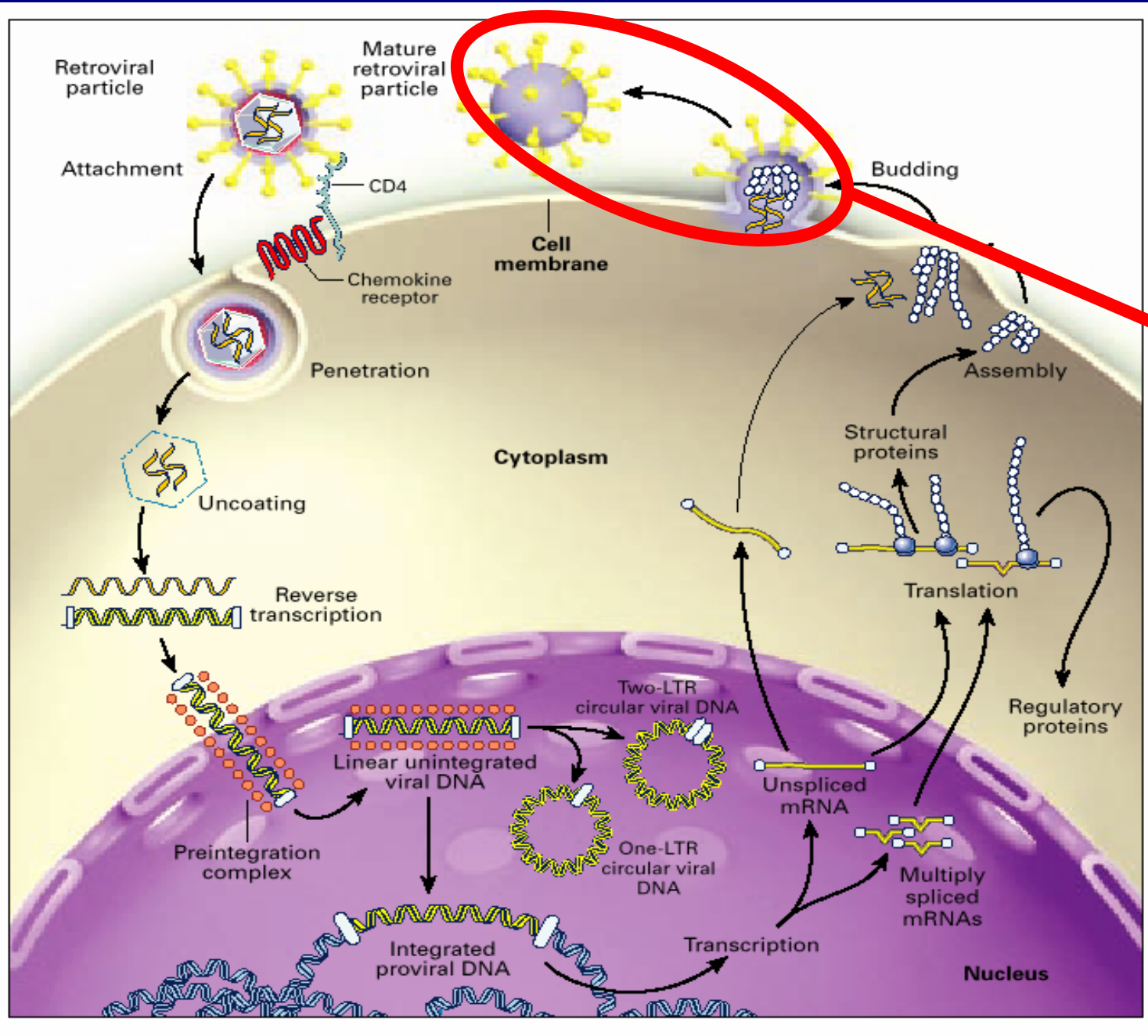
MK-0518: Viral Suppression < 50 c/mL Through Week 16

Observed Data



● Adverse events similar to placebo

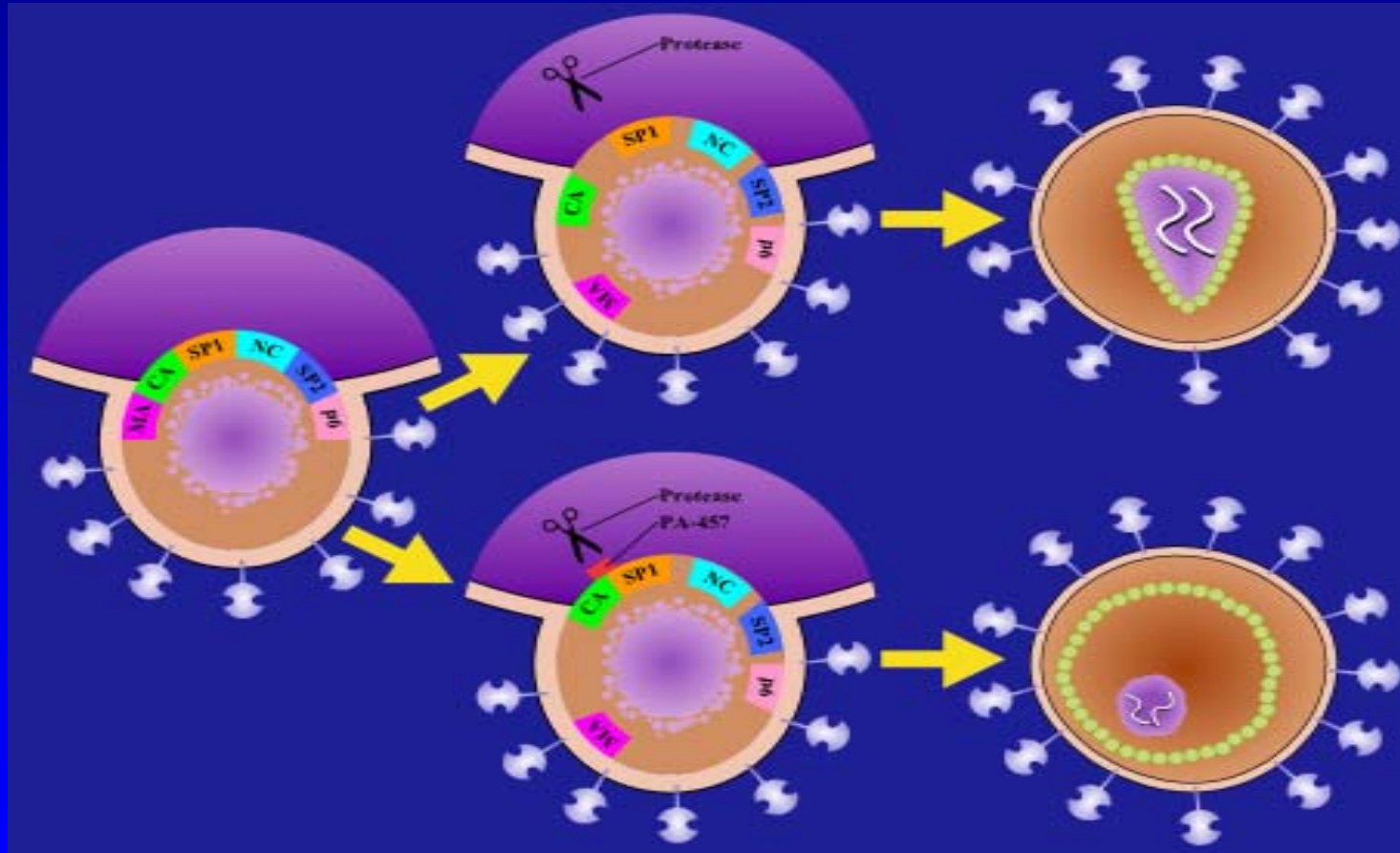
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Maturation Inhibitors

Maturation Inhibitors (PA-457):

Blocks cleavage of capsid precursor to mature p24

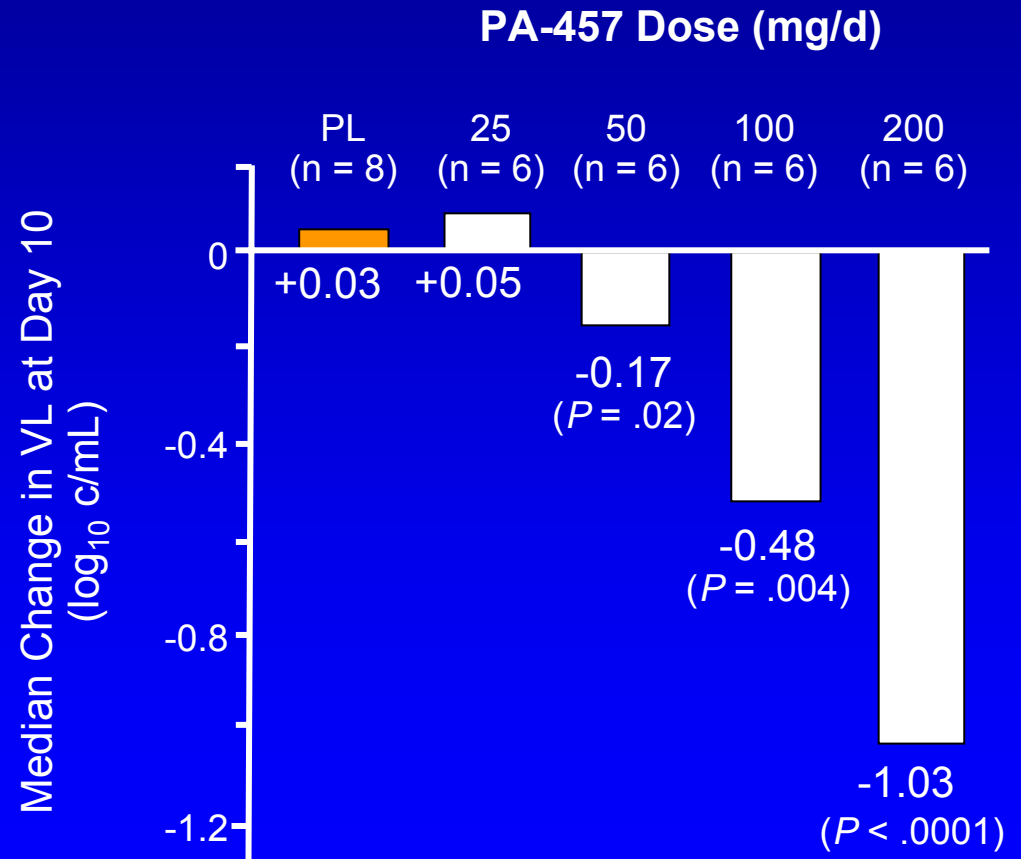


Viral Budding and Maturation



PA-457: Virologic Response to Novel Maturation Inhibitor Monotherapy

- Randomized, phase IIa study of 10-day monotherapy in 32 HIV-infected pts
 - » Med. 1 log₁₀ VL reduction with PA-457 200 mg/d
- Generally well tolerated



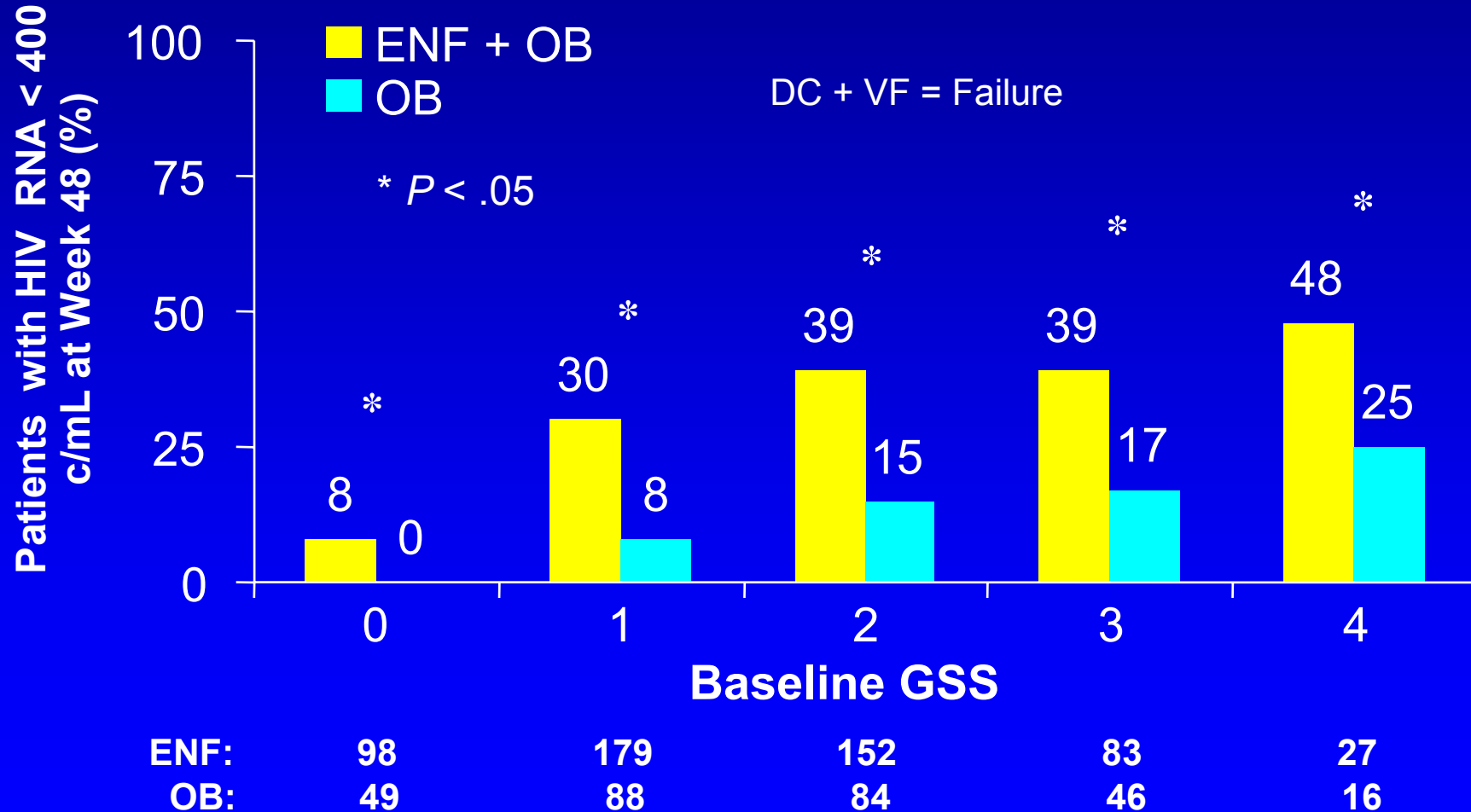
Goals of Therapy With Multi-Drug Resistant HIV

- Access to ≥ 2 active agents:
 - » Completely suppress viral load
 - » Now applies to an increasing number of “salvage” patients
- Access to < 2 active agents:
 - » Reduce viral load by $\geq 1 \log_{10}$
 - » Stabilize CD4 count
 - » Minimize drug toxicity
 - » Prevent clinical progression and death
 - » Avoid new resistance mutations that could eliminate future options
 - » Avoid “monotherapy” with new drugs

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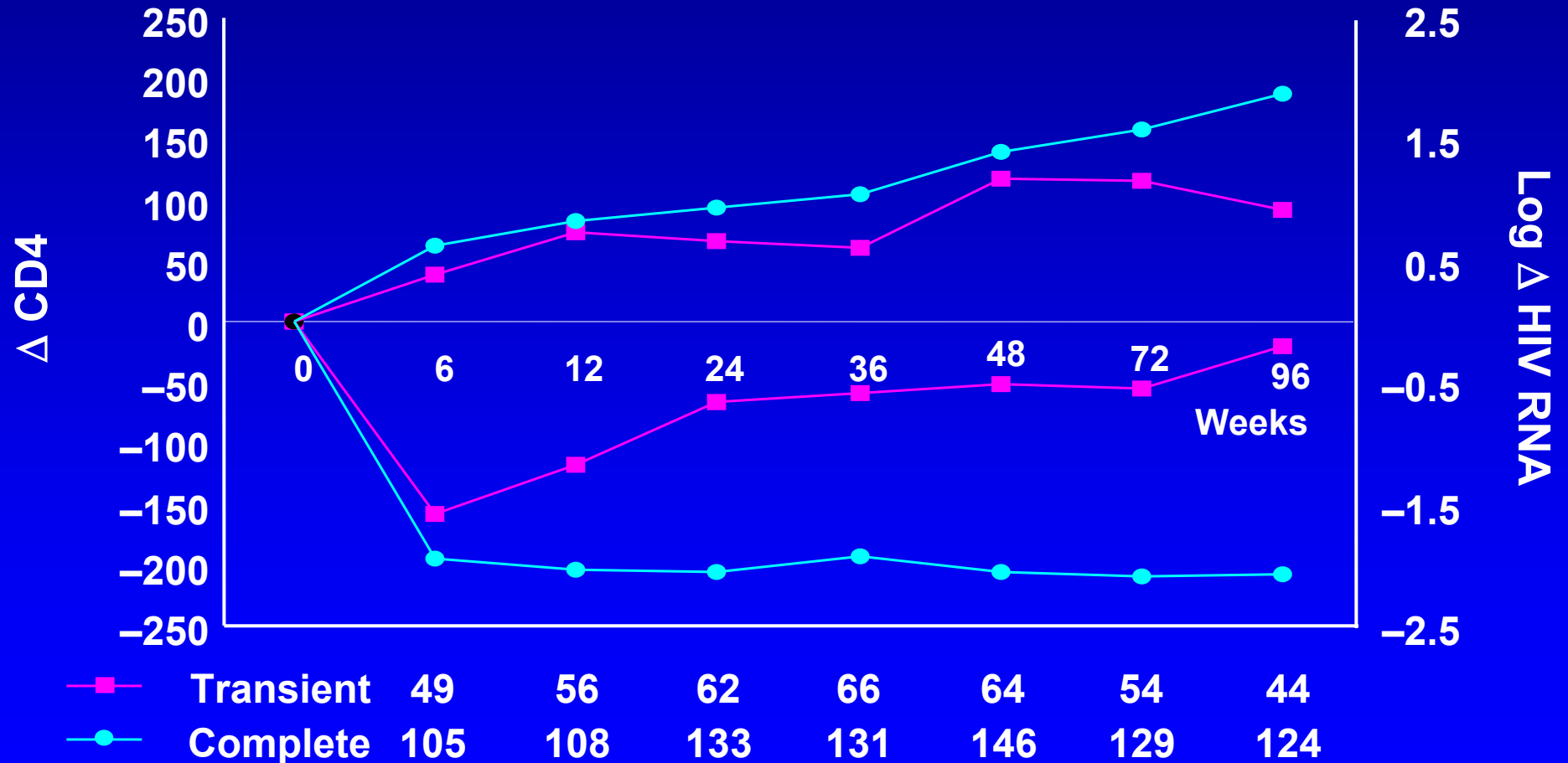
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When to Use a New Drug, and When to Wait

- What is prognosis with continued non-suppressive therapy?
- What are the resistance consequences of continued non-suppressive therapy?
- How can I maintain the “right” mutations without allowing the “wrong” ones to emerge?
- When will new drugs be available, and will they be active against the patients virus?

CD4-VL Disconnect: Can Impaired Fitness Be Used Strategically?



Continued Therapy in Patients With Virologic Failure: A Delicate Balance

Maintain mutations
Decrease fitness
Delay progression

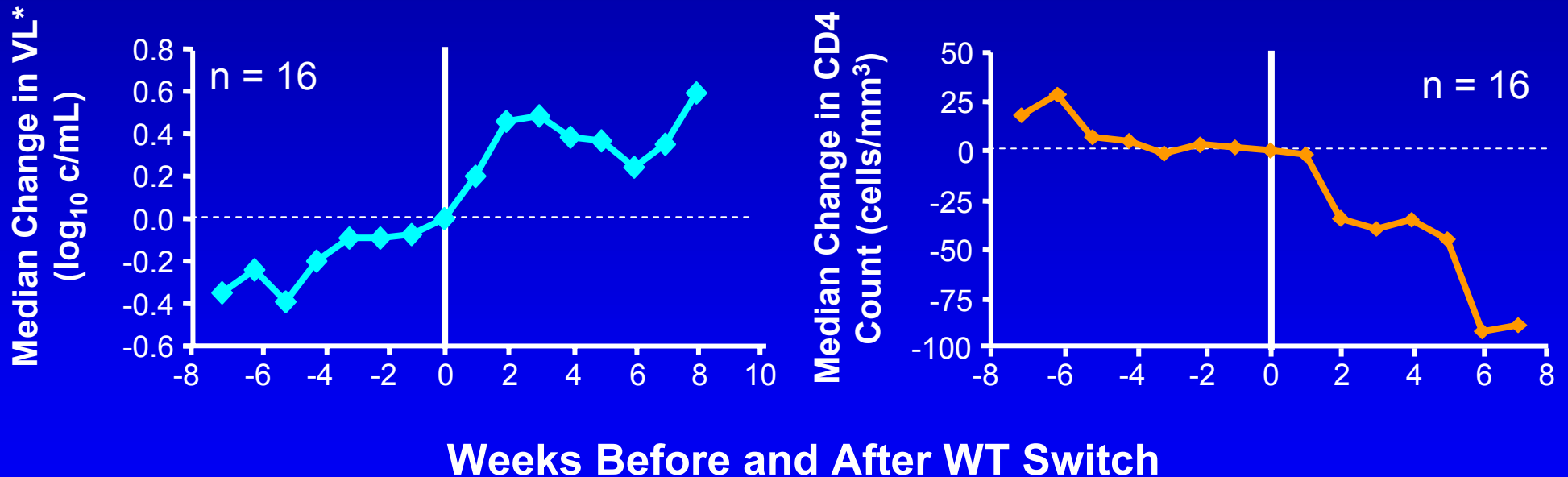
Accumulate new mutations
Develop resistance to drugs in development



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- Waiting: Choosing a “holding regimen”

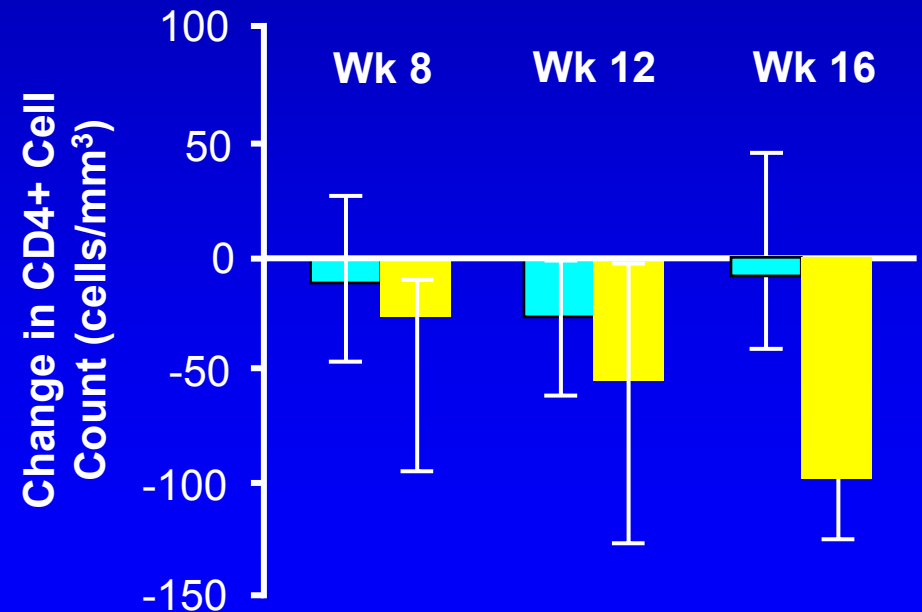
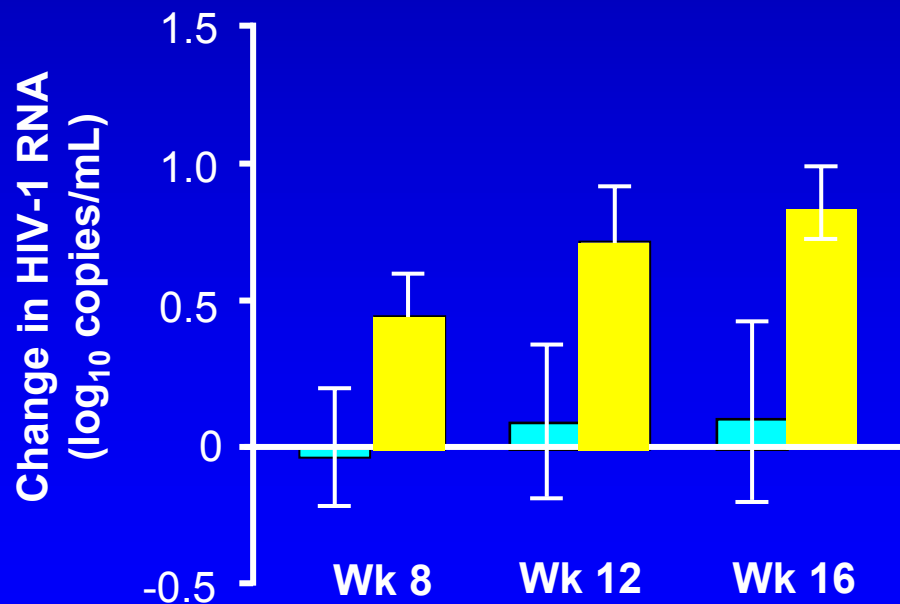
The Cost of Treatment Interruption in Treatment-Experienced Patients



*3 subjects excluded because baseline VL near upper LOQ

Partial Treatment Interruption

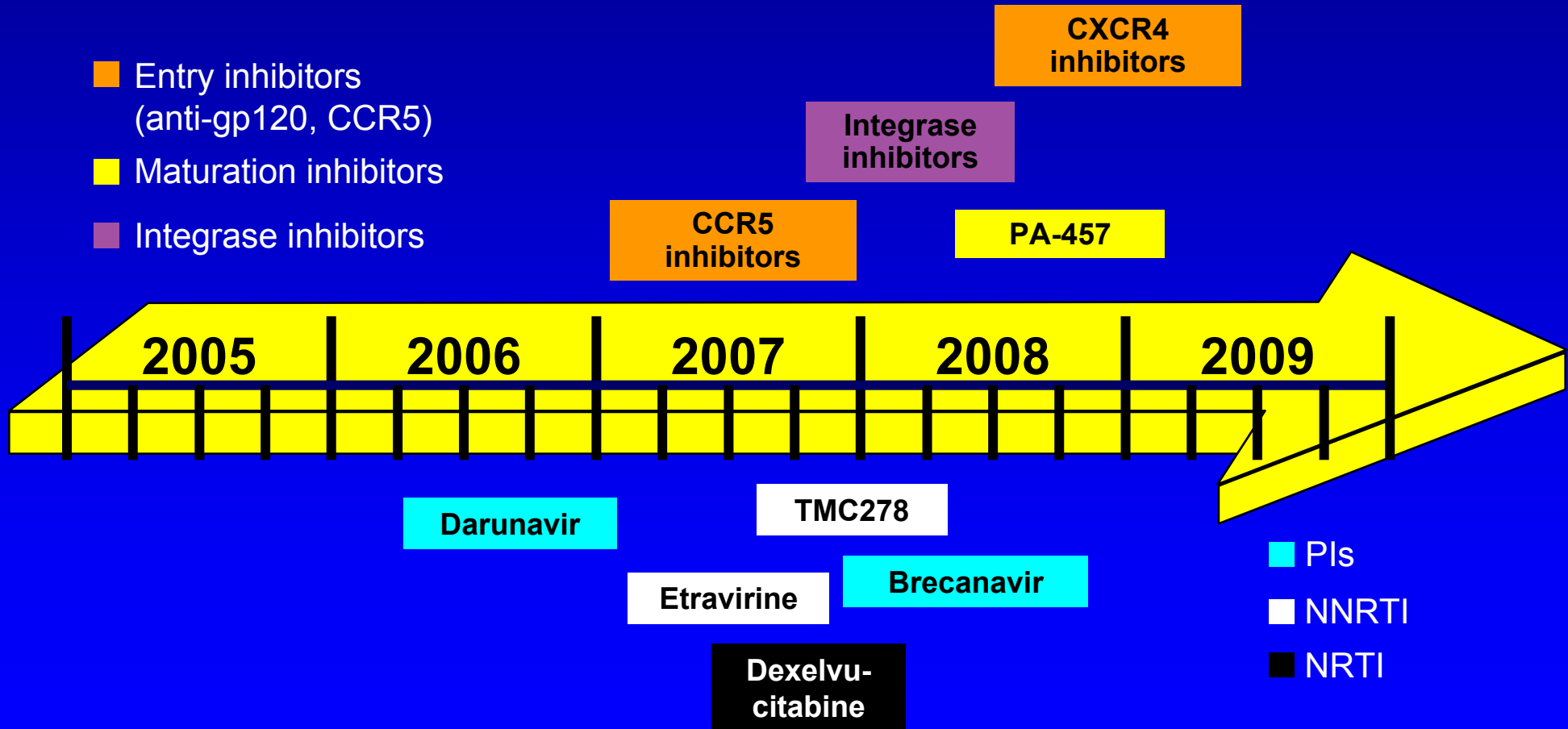
- Discontinue PIs, continue NRTIs (n = 15)
- Discontinue NRTIs, continue PIs (n = 5)



Guidelines for Choosing a Non-Suppressive “Holding Regimen”

- *Never use an NNRTI*
 - » NNRTI mutations have no beneficial impact on fitness
 - » Accumulation of additional mutations may result in cross-resistance to 2nd generation NNRTIs
- *Always use 3TC or FTC*
 - » Simple and well tolerated drugs
 - » M184V decreases fitness
 - » Increased activity of AZT, d4T, TDF
- Choose PIs and/or NNRTIs based on resistance and tolerability/toxicity considerations

Timeline for New Antiretrovirals



Using of New Agents: Too Soon, Too Late, or Just Right?

- Too soon:
 - » New drug used in combination with inactive or partially active drugs despite relatively preserved CD4 count
- Too late:
 - » New drug deferred until the patient's virus is resistant to all other available drugs
- Just right:
 - » New drug combined with other active new agents, or use deferred until other new agents available

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Announcements

Johns Hopkins POC-IT Center launches the first comprehensive, on-line decision support tool designed to assist clinicians in the diagnosis, management and treatment of HIV/AIDS (HIV Guide)

Question of the Week

Why are many PI's "boosted" with ritonavir? Wouldn't it have made much more sense for one manufacturer to have created a strong enough drug on its own, without having to add another drug for only boosting purposes?
10-29-2004

Literature Review

Nelfinavir Plasma Concentrations are Low During Pregnancy
By John G. Bartlett, M.D.

Incidence of HIV Superinfection Following Primary Infection
By John G. Bartlett, M.D.

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