

# Recent Randomized ARV Trials

## Proportion with VL <50 copies/ml wk 48 (ITT)

Experienced Trials (overall)		2 or more active agents
<b>Benchmrk</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>Victor E1 (Wk 24)</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>67-72%</b>
<b>Motivate</b>	<b>52-56%</b>	<b>52-61%</b>
<b>Power</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>73%</b>
<b>Duet</b>	<b>60-61%</b>	<b>66-80%</b>
<b>TTAN</b>	<b>61-70%</b>	<b>60-80%</b>

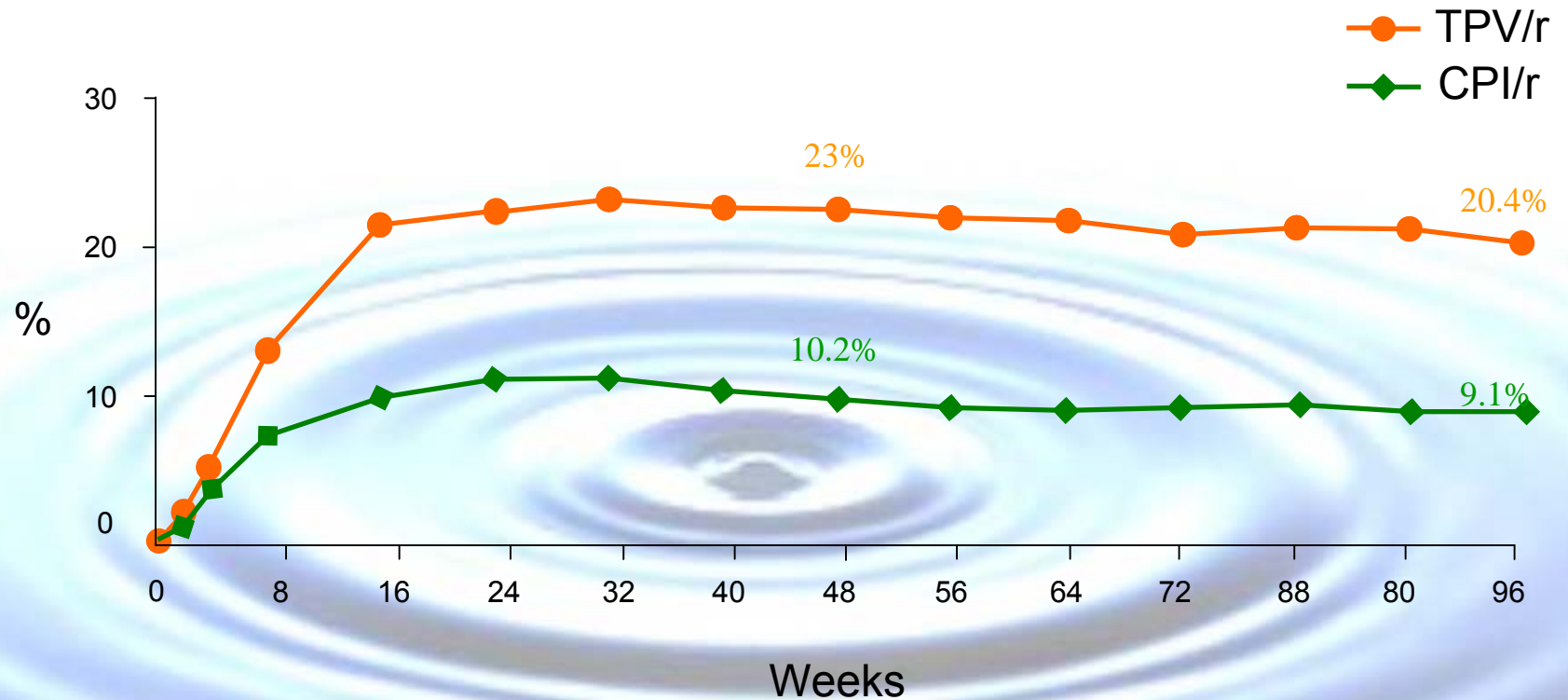
# Randomized Controlled Clinical Trials in Treatment Experienced Patients

Based on the TORO model with enfuvirtide

- Multidrug experienced or resistant
- Viral load  $> 1000-5000$  copies/mL
- No CD4 count restriction
- OBT (optimized background therapy) vs OBT plus new agent
- Two identical trials in different geographic areas
- Sub-analysis
  - Baseline VL, CD4, GSS or PSS, use of new agents

# Tipranavir/r:

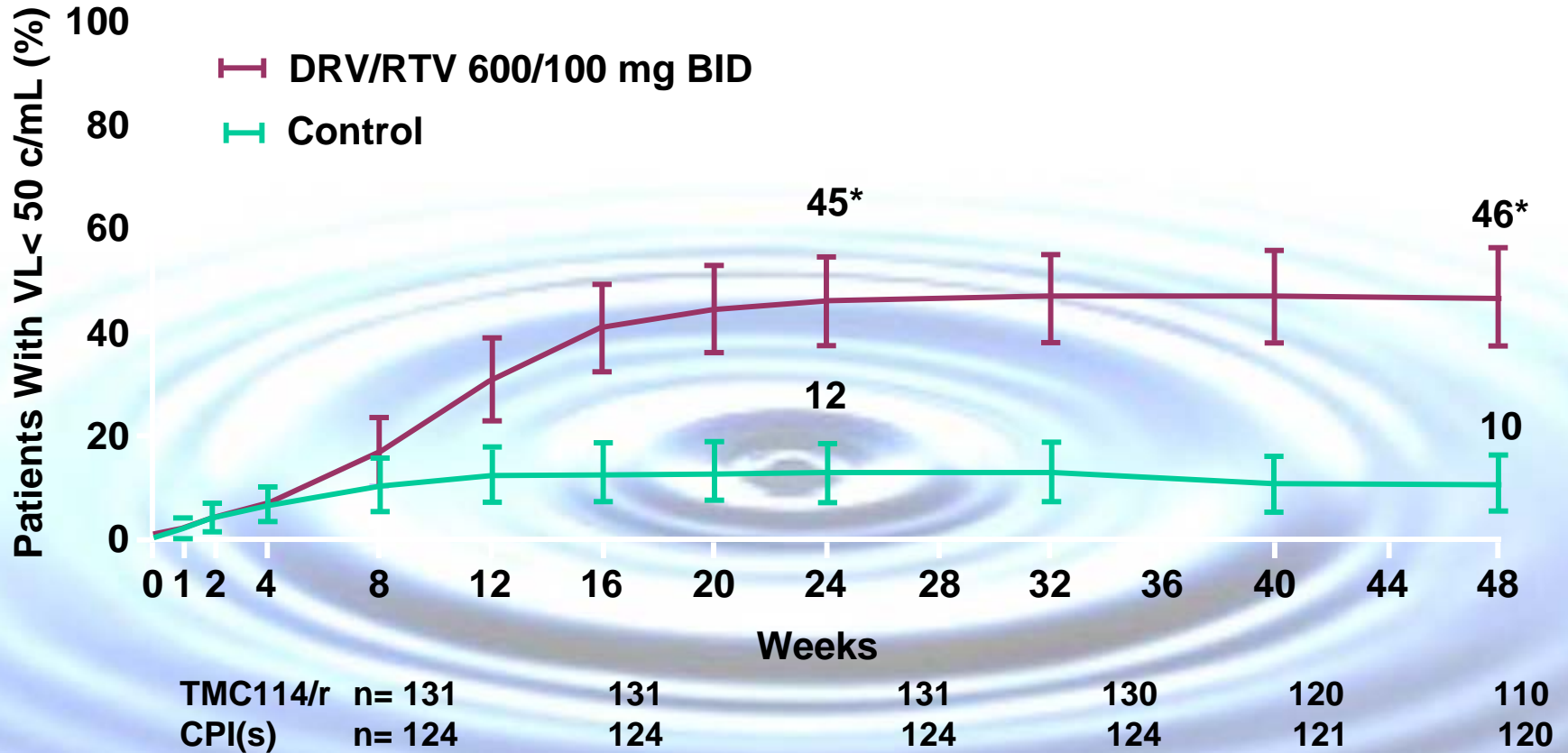
## Proportion with VLs <50 copies/mL over 96 weeks



TPV/	98/746	169/746	170/746	152/746
CPI/r	54/737	82/737	75/737	67/737

# Darunavir/r:

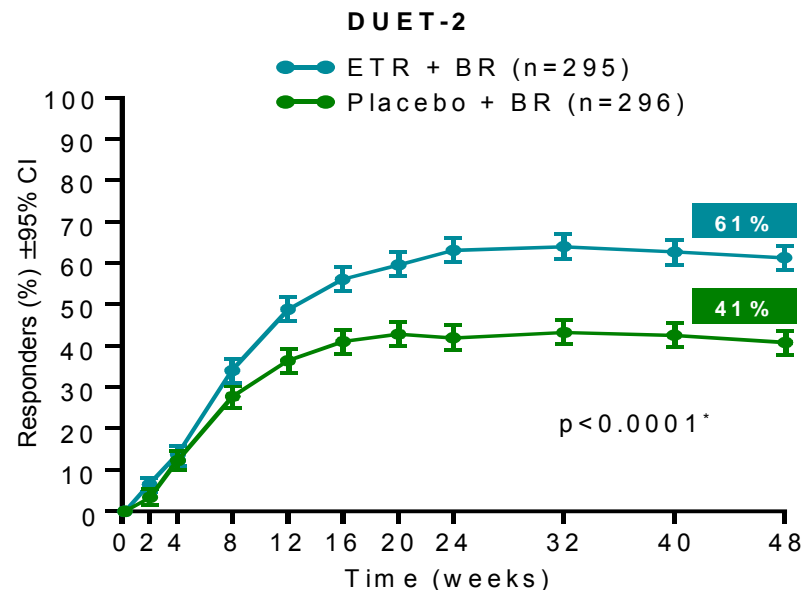
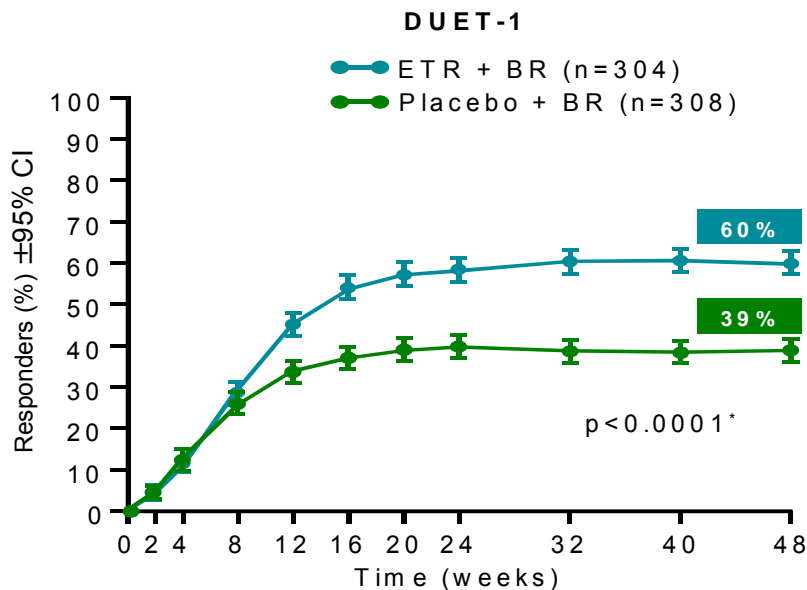
Percentage with VL < 50 copies/mL at Week 48



\* $P < .001$  vs comparator PI/RTV.

# Etravirine (TMC 125)

## Patients with viral load <50 copies/mL at Week 48 (ITT-TLOVR)

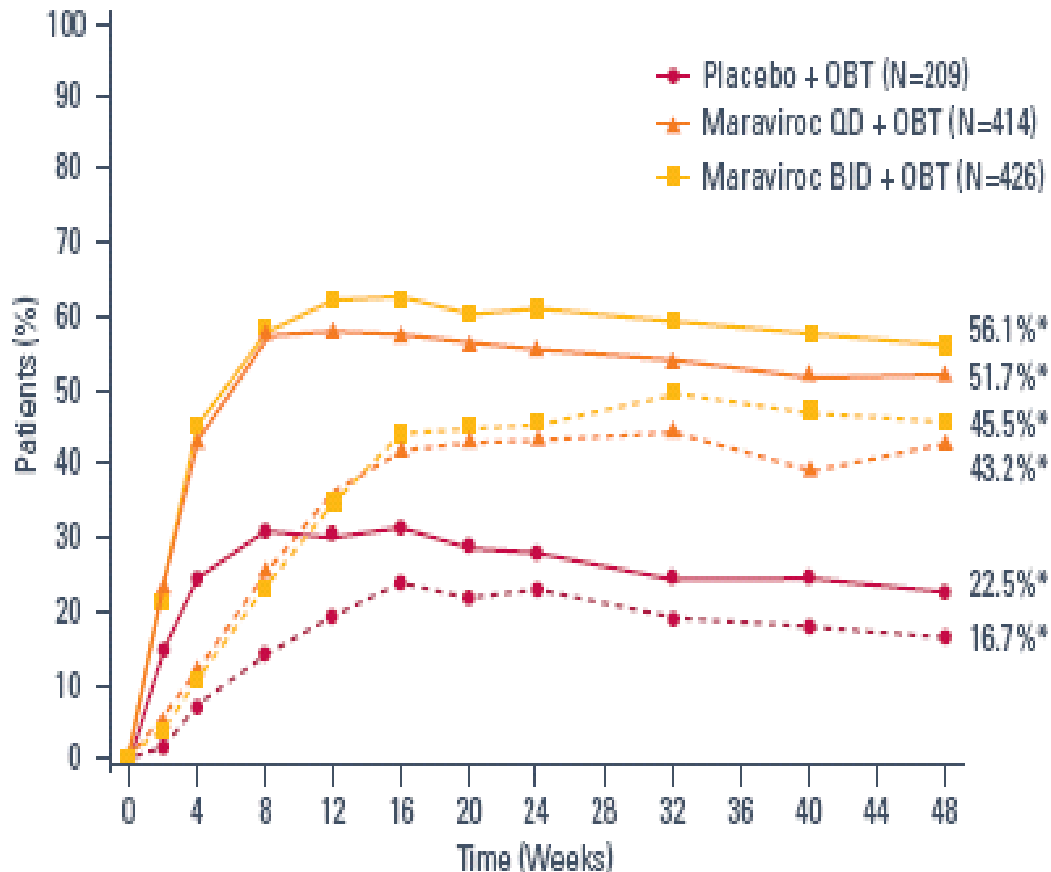


\*Logistic regression model; ITT= intention to treat; TLOVR= time to loss of virologic response

# Maraviroc

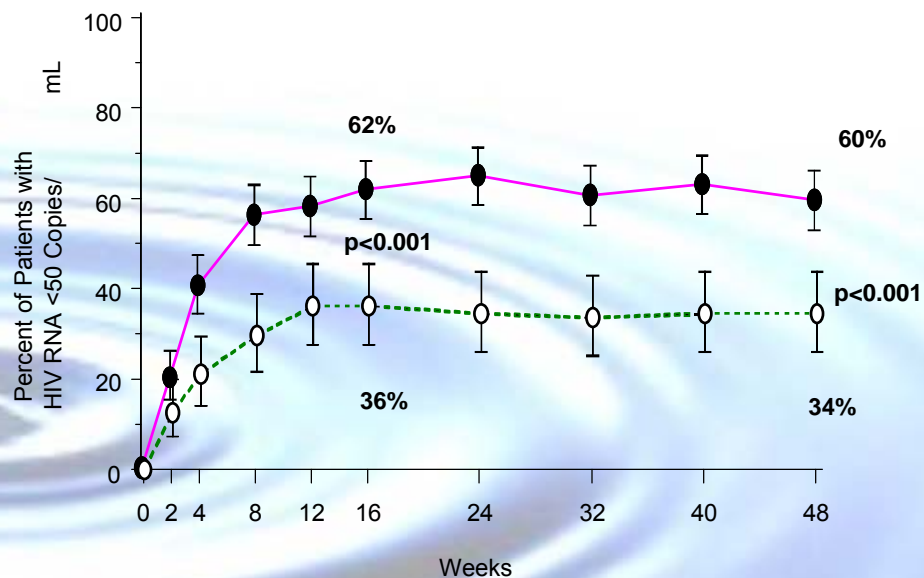
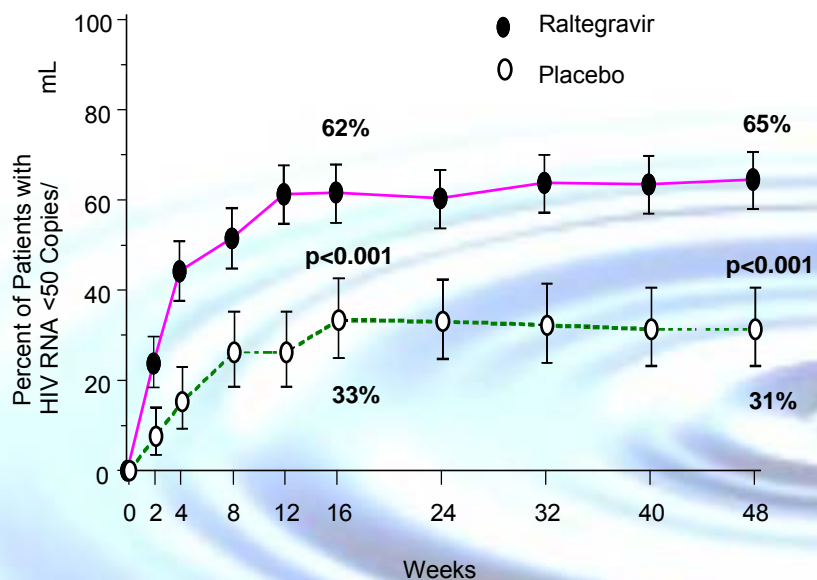
## MOTIVATE 1,2 combined analysis, 48 weeks

Figure 1: Percentage of patients with HIV-1 RNA suppression (solid lines, HIV-1 RNA <400 copies/mL; dashed lines, HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL)



# Integrase Inhibitors: Raltegravir

## Benchmark 1, 2 Efficacy - 48 weeks



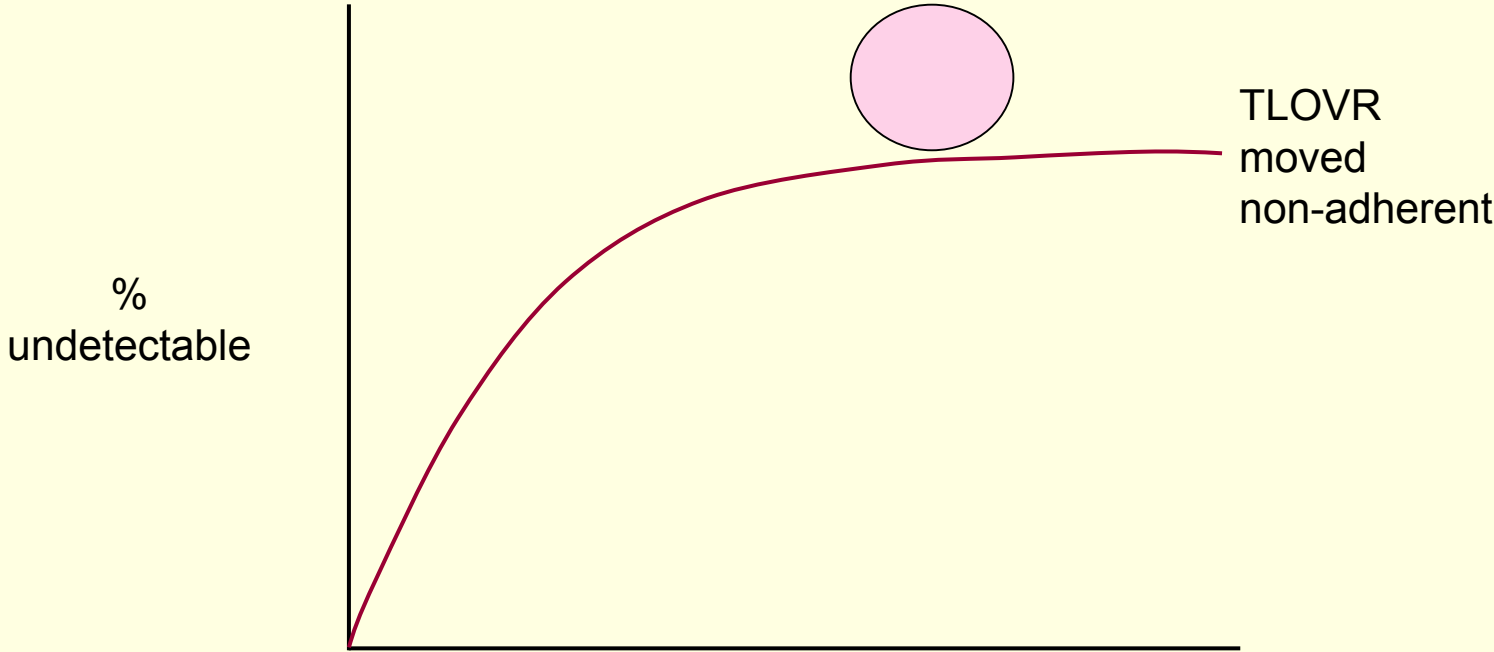
Number of Contributing Patients

232	231	231	230	229	232	229	230	231
118	118	118	118	117	118	118	118	118

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Raltegravir	230	228	227	230	229	229	224	228	228
Placebo	119	119	118	119	119	119	119	119	119

# What about missing patients?





# Triple class experienced categories

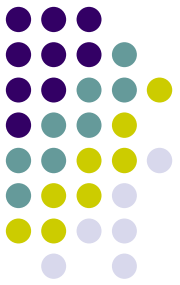
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1. Suboptimal therapy → will succeed  
good adherence
2. Always had toxicity → may succeed
3. Never taken pills → could succeed
4. Unlucky → will succeed

# Adherence interaction

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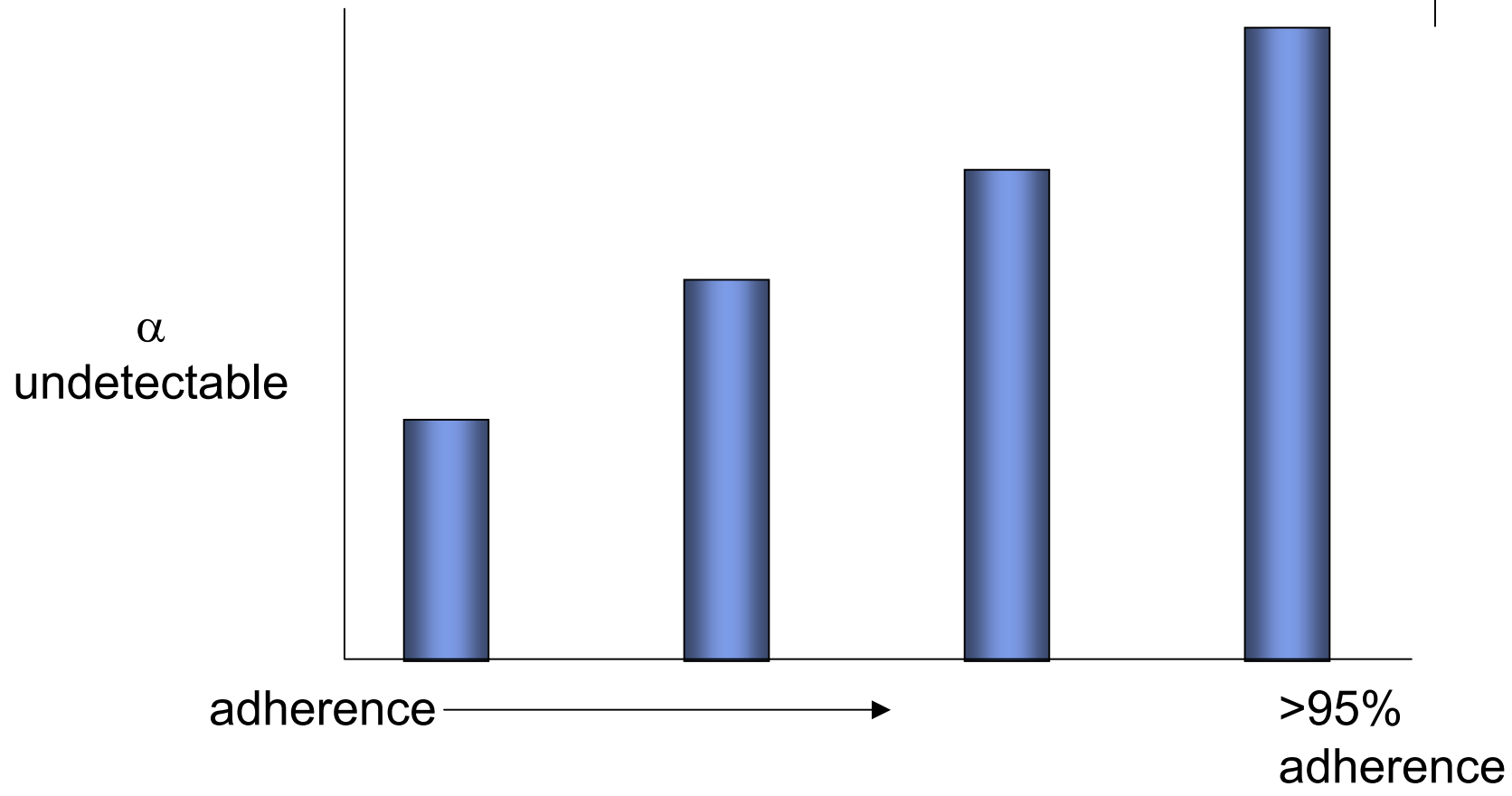
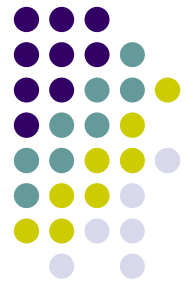
Adherence  $\leftrightarrow$  Toxicity



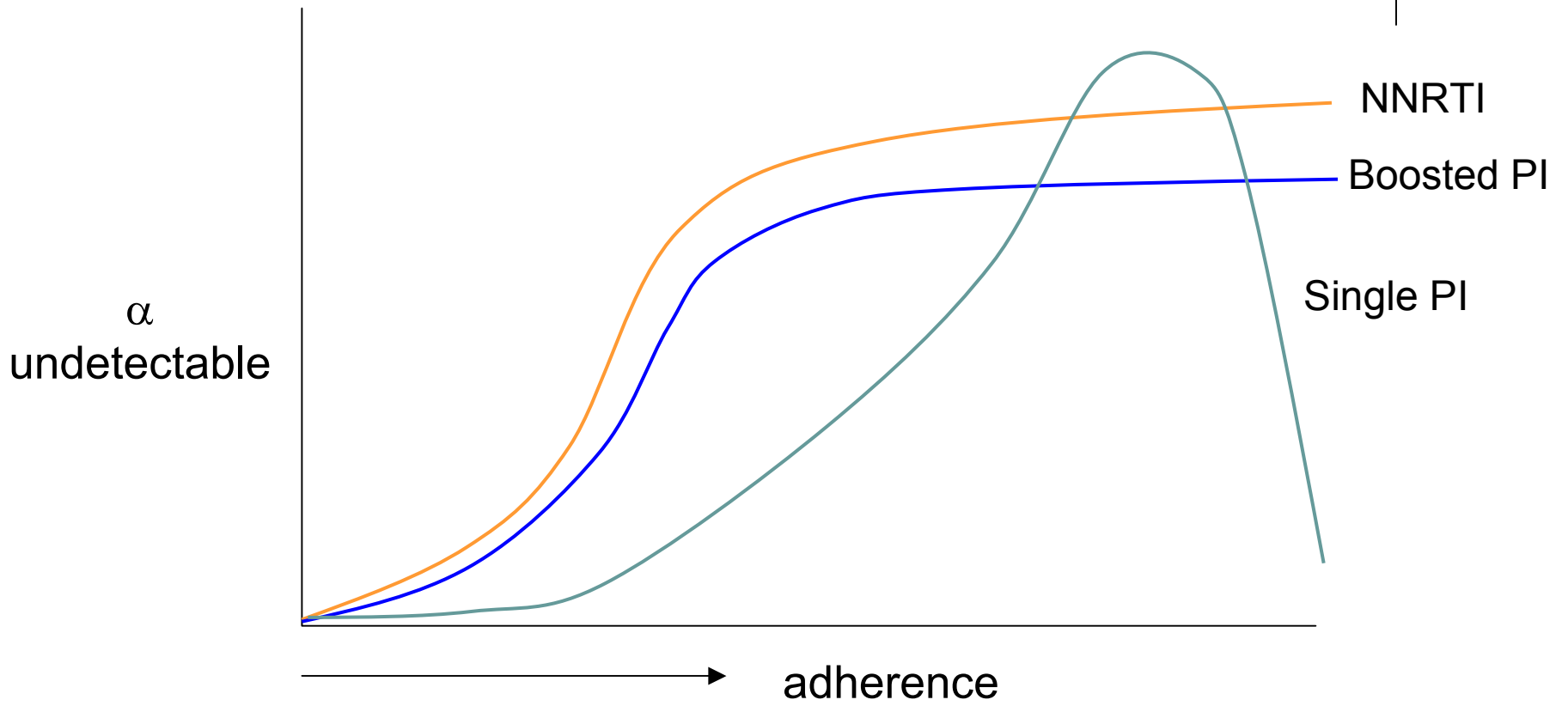
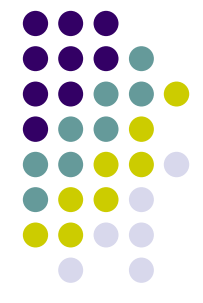
# PC –

- Cannot predict 'good adherence'
- Reality – a group of people with very disturbed behaviour

'force' into Rx  $\rightleftharpoons$  wait 'til they are ready

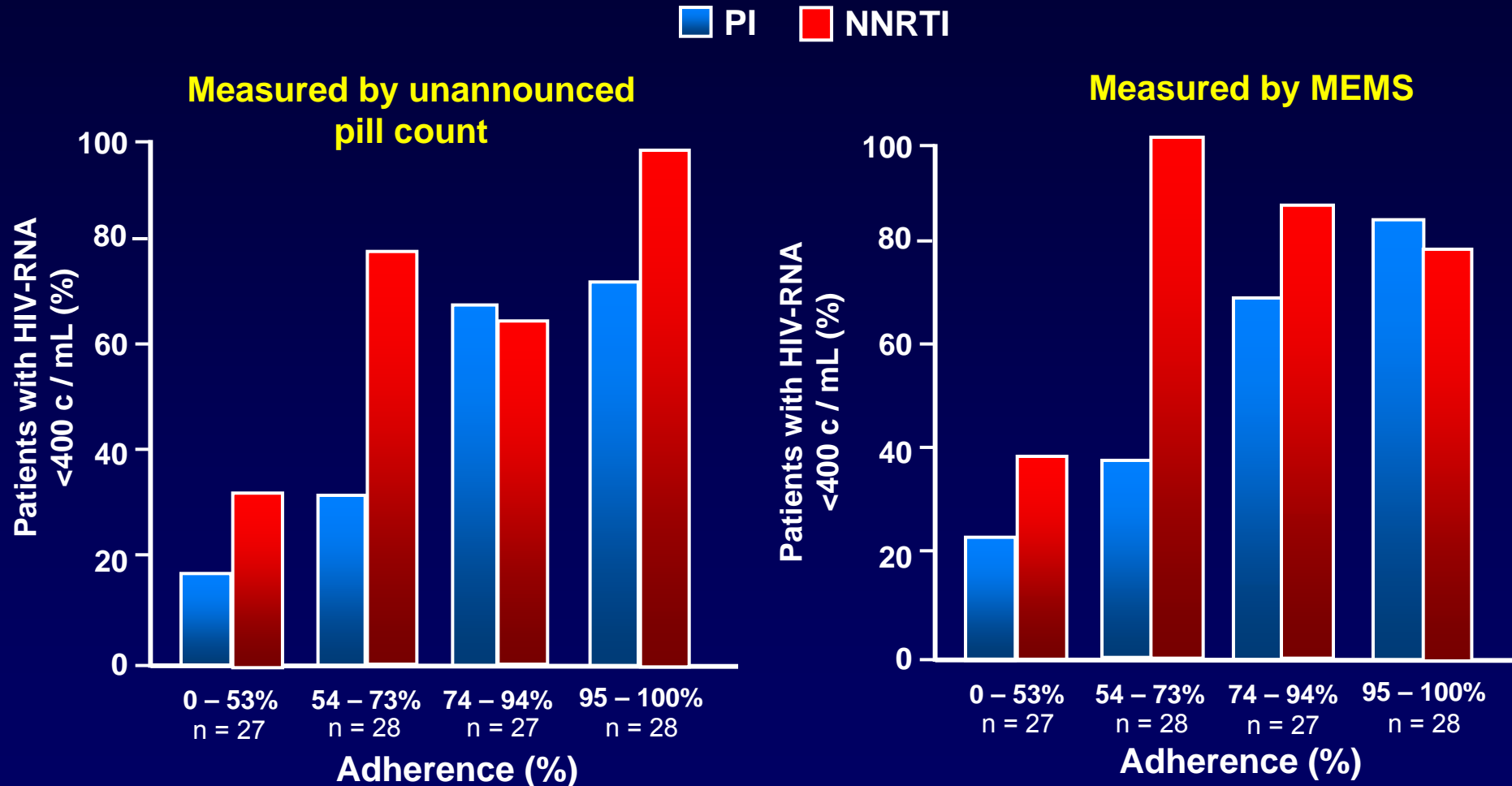


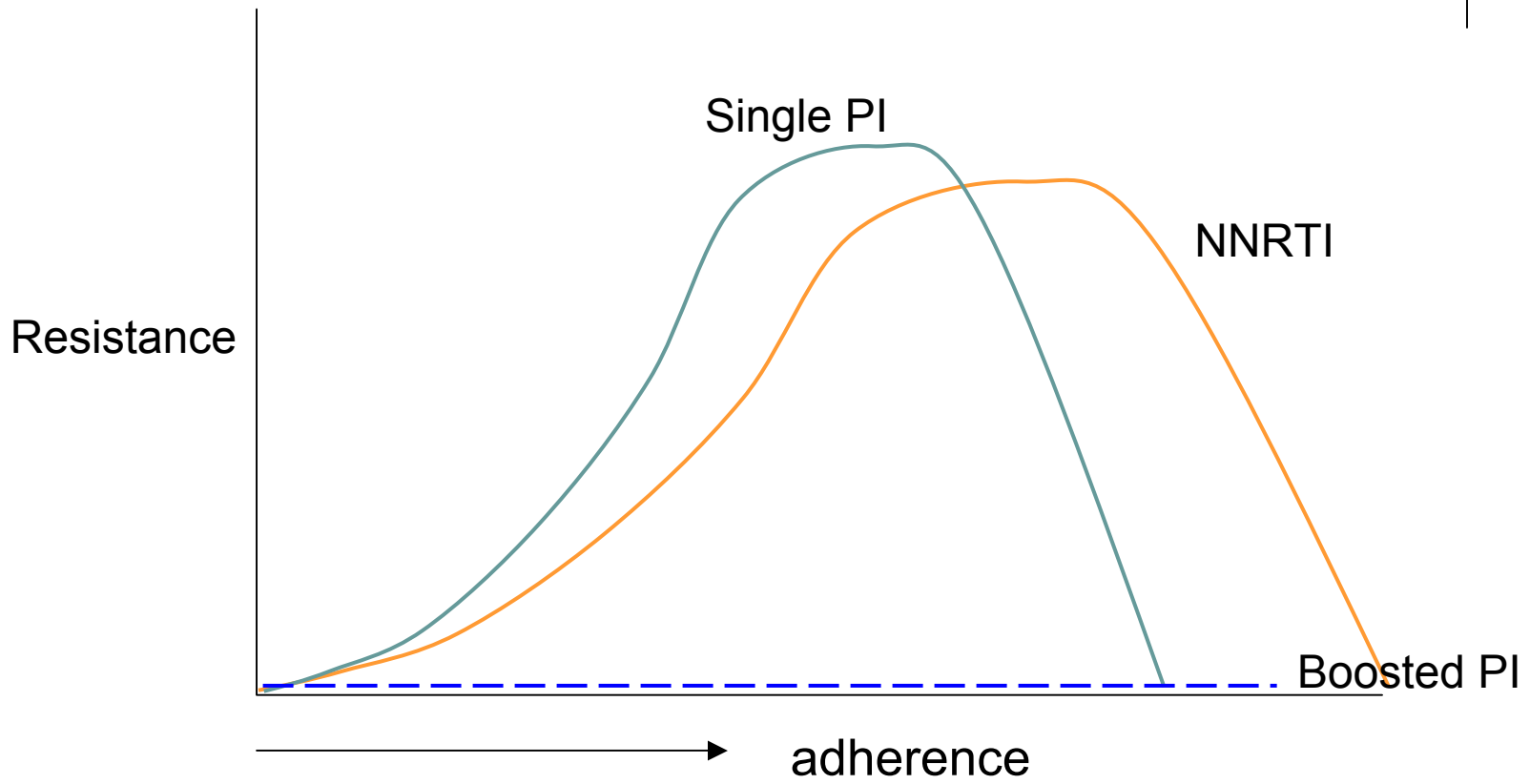
*Paterson*



# Less Than 95% Adherence to NNRTIs Can Still Lead to Viral Suppression

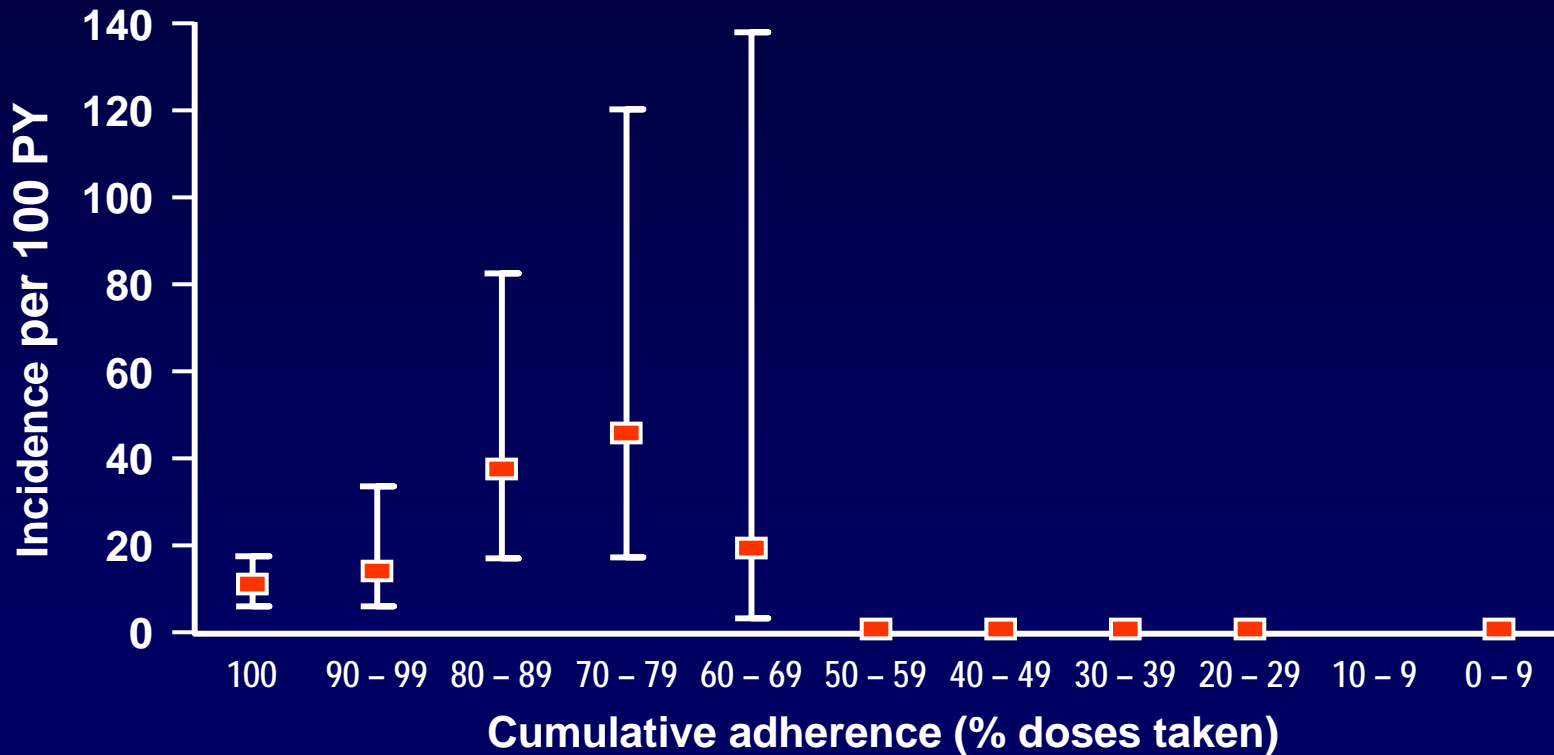
- Majority of NNRTI-treated individuals suppressed to <400 copies / mL at 54 – 100% adherence whereas majority of PI-treated individuals required 95 – 100% adherence





# Adherence and Viral Resistance

- Study design: prospective cohort study (195 patients)
- Inclusion criteria: receiving HAART and having HIV-RNA <500 c / mL
- Endpoint: viral rebound with clinically significant resistance



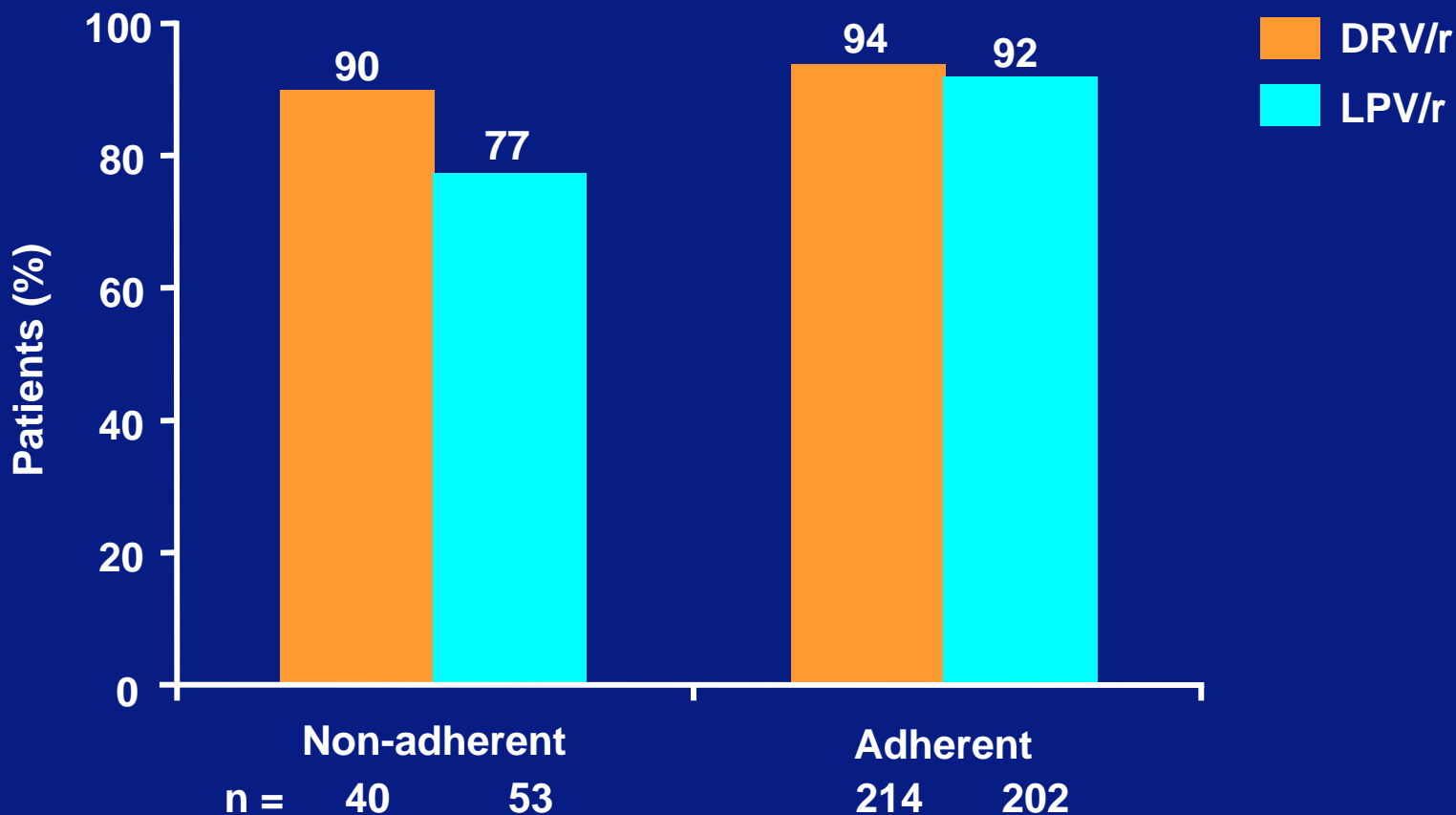


# How Missed Doses Can Lead to Compromised Drug Levels



\*This figure is a schematic representation.

# Confirmed week 48 virological response (< 50 copies/mL) versus adherence\* (M-MASRI)



\*Cut-off for determining adherence was 95%.

M-MASRI = Modified Medication Adherence Self-Report Inventory.

Tibotec, data on file.

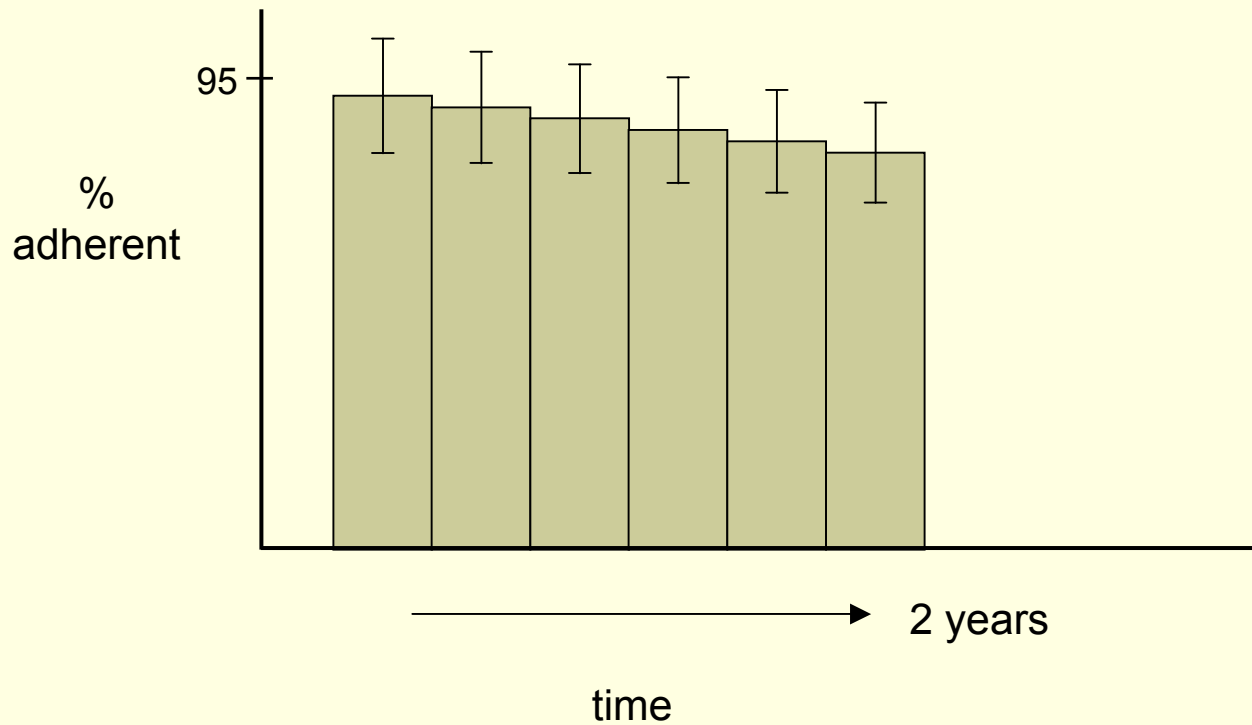
# Boosted PI and adherence

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10% non adherent to Ritonavir  
20% RT > 4hrs later

} Only 35 patients

# CPCRA - adherence with time



# C&W cohort

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Undetectable at 1 yr → 90%  
undetectable  
at 5yrs

# Intentional vs. Unintentional Non-Adherence

## Unintentional non-adherence

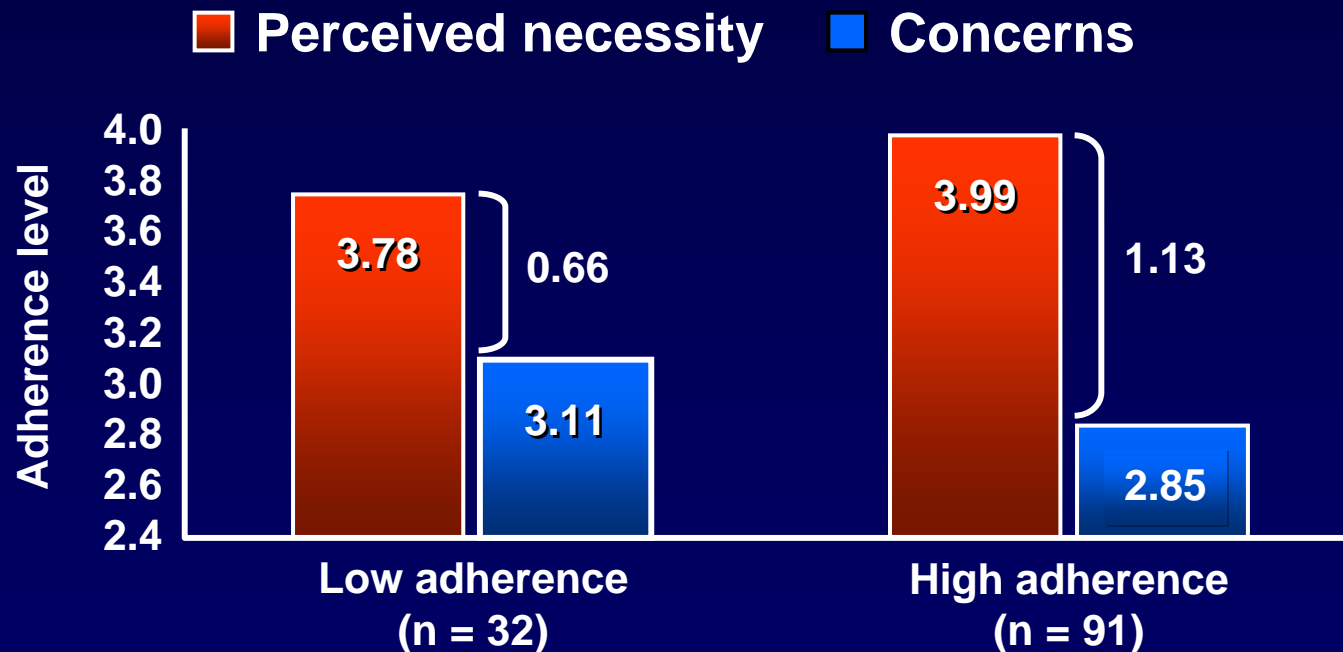
- Capacity and resource limitations
- Practical barriers
- Can help with practical solutions (e.g. text messaging)

## Intentional non-adherence

- Motivational beliefs / preferences
- Perceptual barriers

# Barriers to Adherence: Patients' Perceptions of Necessity and Concerns

- HAART patients received *Beliefs about Medicines Questionnaire* (BMQ)
- Statistical analysis determined associations between beliefs about HAART and reported adherence



# Self belief systems

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“Long term chemicals are bad”

→ lipodystrophy

Long term HIV is even worse

→ CV risk and Smart



# However - unknown toxicity

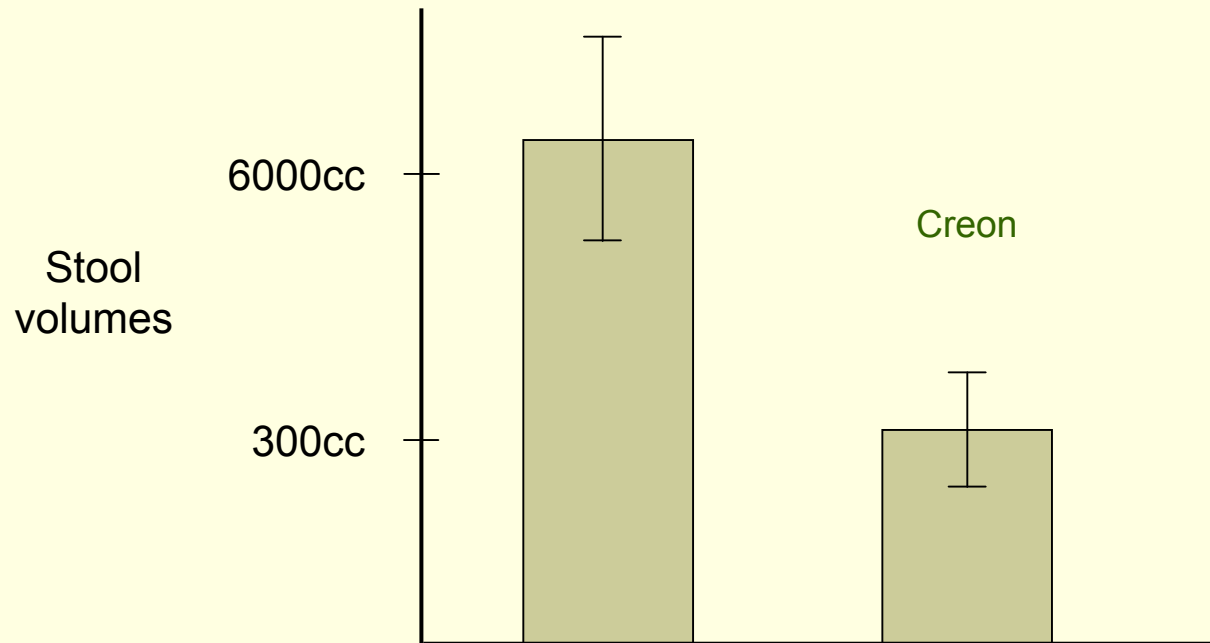
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Lipoatrophy

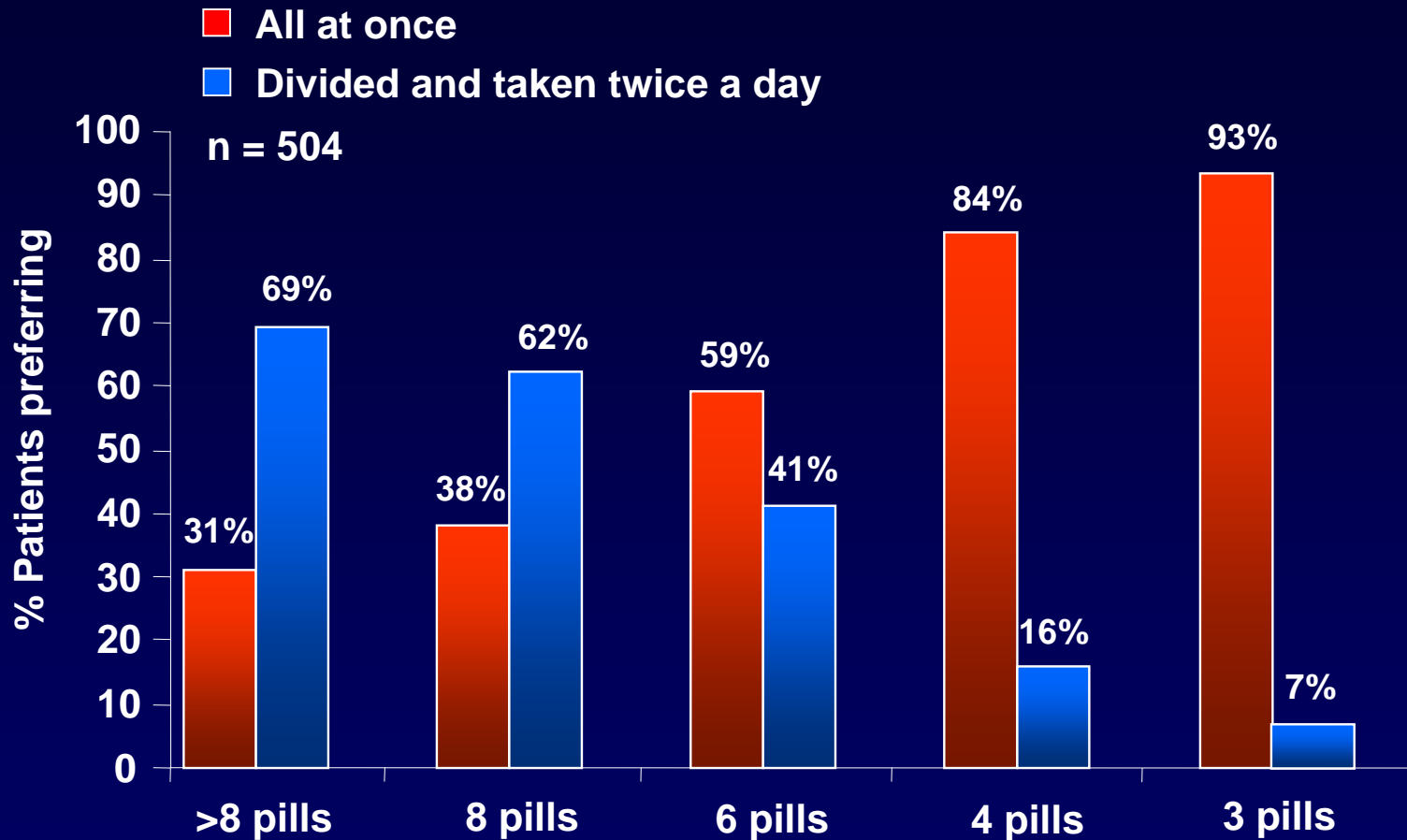
Pancreatic atrophy

Neoplasia

# Pancreatic atrophy (20)



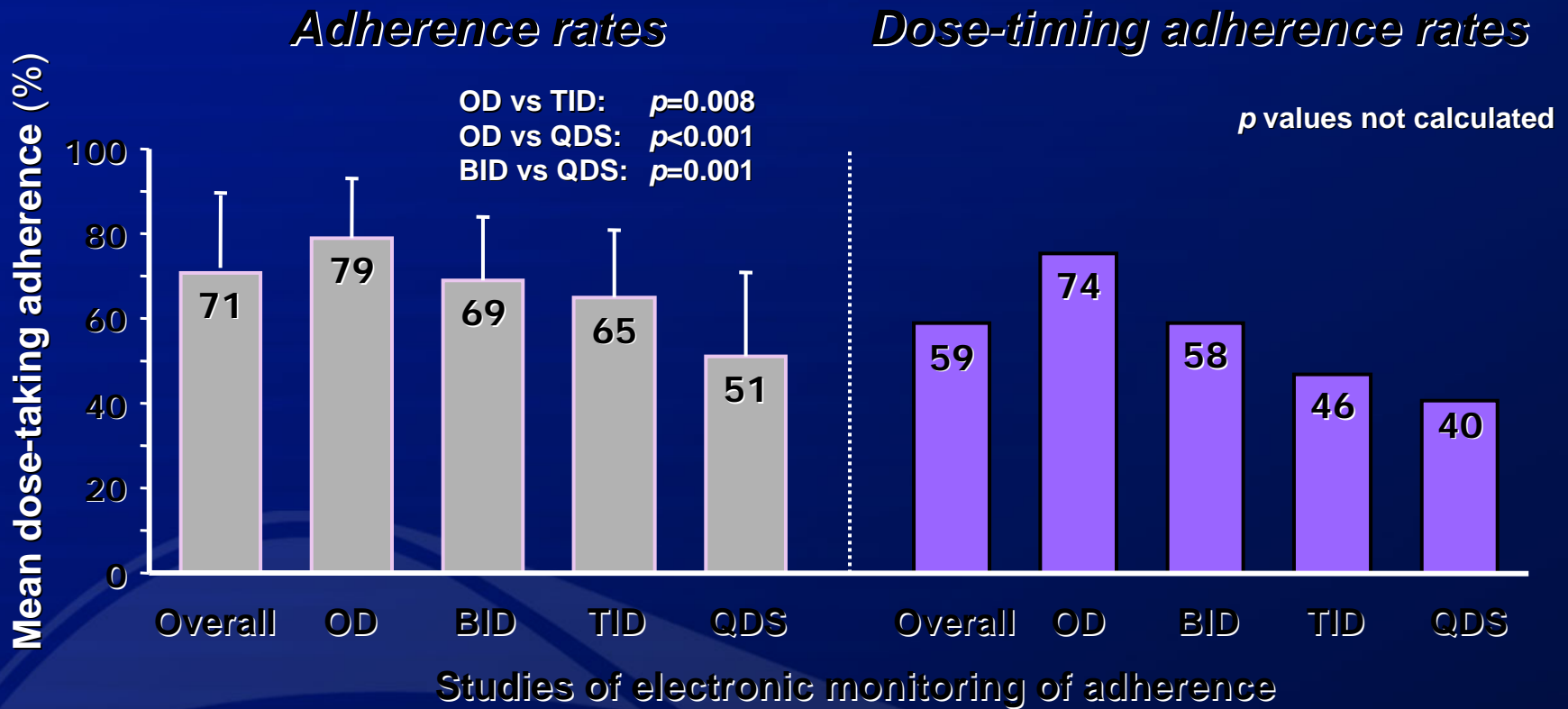
# Influence of Pill Burden on Patient Dosing Preference



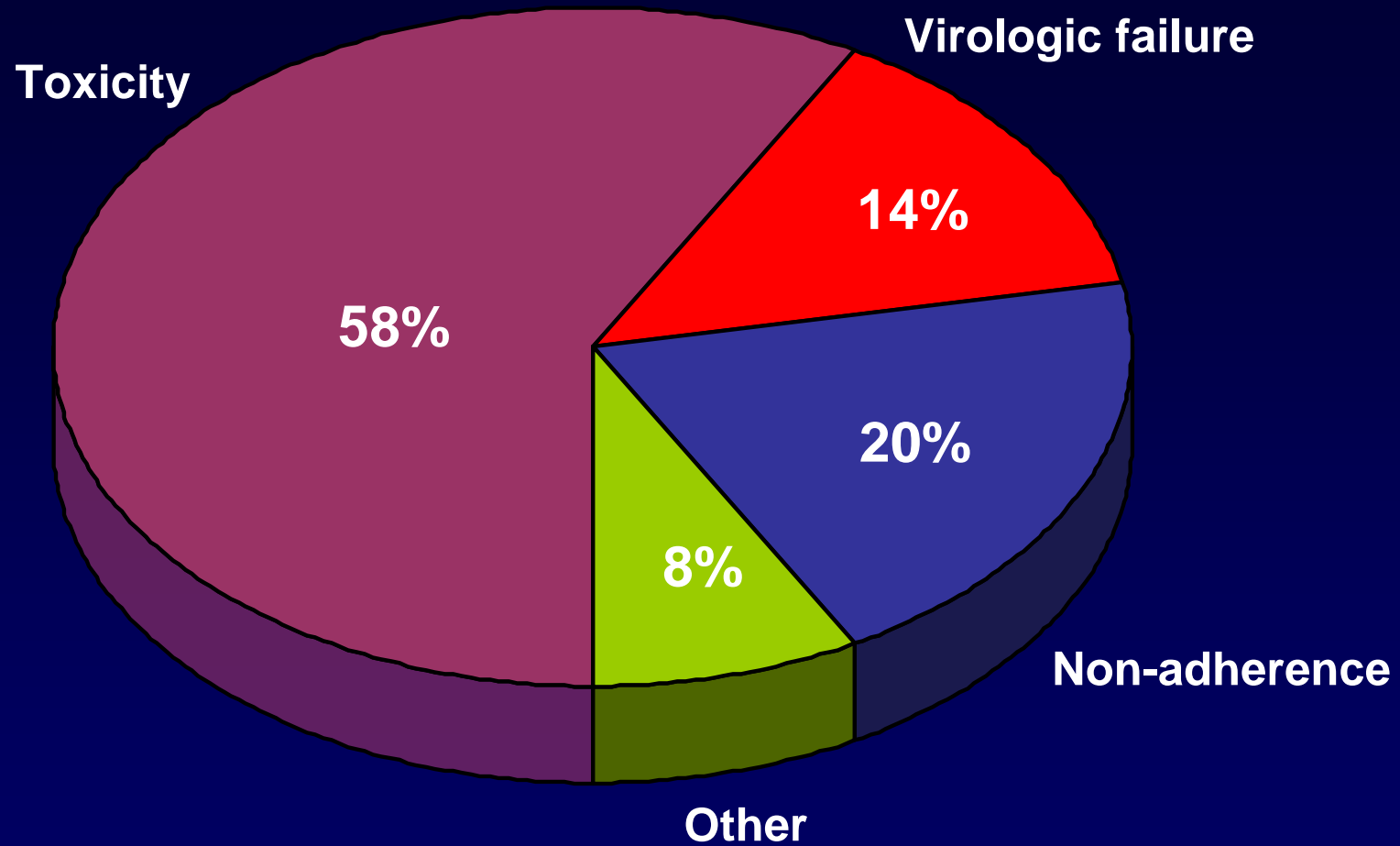
\*Total number of pills also important factor.

# Impact of dose frequency upon adherence

Analysis of 76 studies of electronic monitoring of adherence



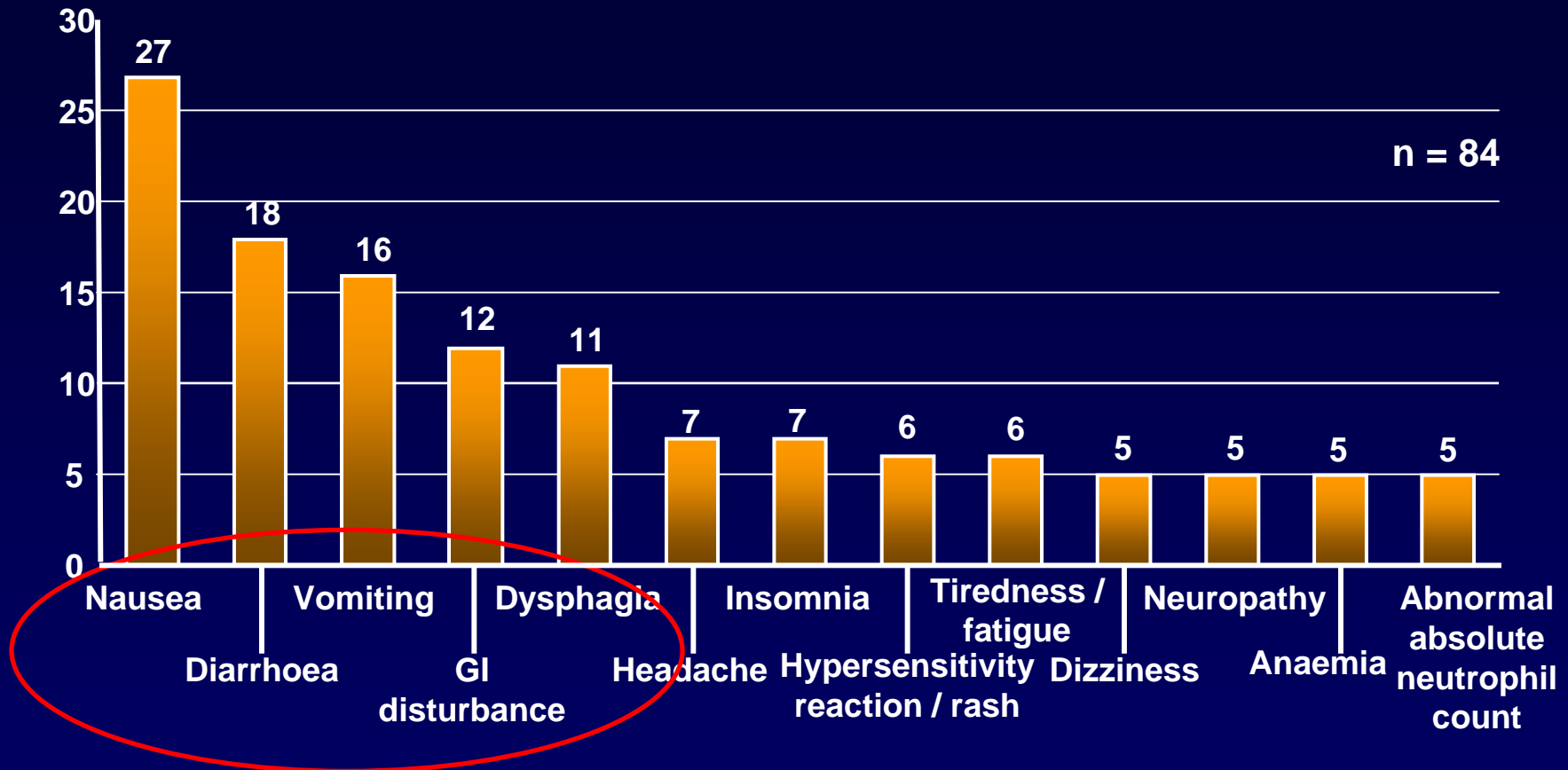
# Main Reasons for Discontinuation of ART



312 discontinuations among 862 pts who initiated HAART

# AE Reasons for Discontinuation of HAART

Patients (%) who discontinued HAART due to a particular AE\*



Poor GI tolerability major reason for discontinuing

\* >1 reason may have been noted from each individual.

Adapted from O'Brien ME et al. *JAIDS* 2003; 34:407-414.

# Diarrhoea

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Group 2 Up to 7 loose stools a day

3 >7 + incontinence

4 i/v fluids dehydrated

# Diarrhoea

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	Kaletra	Darunavir
Abbot od bd (3-4)	17-18%	
Artemis (2-4)	11%	4%
Titan (2-4)	14.5%	7.7%
Heat (2-4)	(18-19%)	
Castle (2-3)	11%	
5142 (2-4)	30-51%	GI effects



# BENCHMRK-1 & 2: Summary of Clinical Adverse Experiences

Adverse Experiences (AE)	BENCHMRK-1		BENCHMRK-2	
	Raltegravir + OBT N = 232 %	Placebo + OBT N = 118 %	Raltegravir + OBT N = 230 %	Placebo + OBT N = 119 %
Mean Exposure (weeks)	26.0	23.0	25.3	22.5
Any AE	81.0	83.1	80.9	86.6
Drug-related* AE	43.5	50.8	53.0	52.1
Serious AE	10.8	13.6	9.6	14.3
Serious drug-related* AE	2.2	0.0	1.3	2.5
Death	1.3	0.8	1.3	0.0
AE leading to discontinuation	1.7	3.4	1.7	0.8

\*Drug-related = considered possibly, probably, or definitely related to raltegravir/placebo ± OBT or to OBT alone

All comparisons have nominal p-values > 0.10

## BENCHMRK-1 & 2: % with Drug Related\* Clinical Adverse Experiences (≥ 3% - mild, moderate and severe)

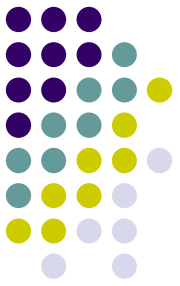
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Mean Exposure (Wks)	26.0	23.0	25.3	22.5
Abdominal Distension	0.4	3.4	3.9	0.8
Abdominal Pain	1.3	3.4	4.3	0
Diarrhea	6.5	11.0	12.2	9.2
Flatulence	0.4	1.7	4.3	1.7
Nausea	3.9	6.8	9.1	8.4
Vomiting	2.2	7.6	2.6	2.5
Injection Site Reaction	6.9	11.9	10.9	8.4
Pyrexia	0.9	1.7	1.3	3.4
Headache	2.6	6.8	7.8	4.2
Insomnia	1.7	3.4	0.9	0
Fatigue	1.7	0	4.3	2.5

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# Adverse event rate by time on study

<b>All casualties and severities All patients receiving one dose</b>	<b>VCV 30 mg + OBT Rate</b>	<b>VCV 20 mg + OBT Rate</b>	<b>Placebo + OBT Rate</b>
<b>Total exposure in person-years (P-Y)*</b>	33.2	34.67	22.39
<b>SAE's N (P-Y)</b>	4 (12)	5 (14.4)	5 (22.3)
<b>Any adverse events</b>	111.4	112.5	147.4
<b>Diarrhoea</b>	45.2	31.7	40.2
<b>Respiratory symptoms</b>	24.1	51.9	22.3
<b>Nausea</b>	15.1	8.7	22.3
<b>Pyrexia</b>	15.1	11.5	17.9
<b>Dizziness</b>	15.1	2.9	17.9
<b>Headache</b>	15.1	8.7	31.2
<b>Tinea Pedis</b>	12.1	0	4.5
<b>Lymphadenopathy</b>	9.0	20.2	8.9
<b>Depression</b>	9.0	11.5	26.8
<b>Musculoskeletal Pain</b>	9.0	8.7	40.2
<b>Asthenia</b>	6.0	2.9	13.4
<b>Fatigue</b>	6.0	14.4	13.4
<b>Upper abdominal pain</b>	3.0	14.4	0
<b>Flatulence</b>	3.0	5.8	17.9
<b>Anorexia</b>	0	0	13.4

# Adherence

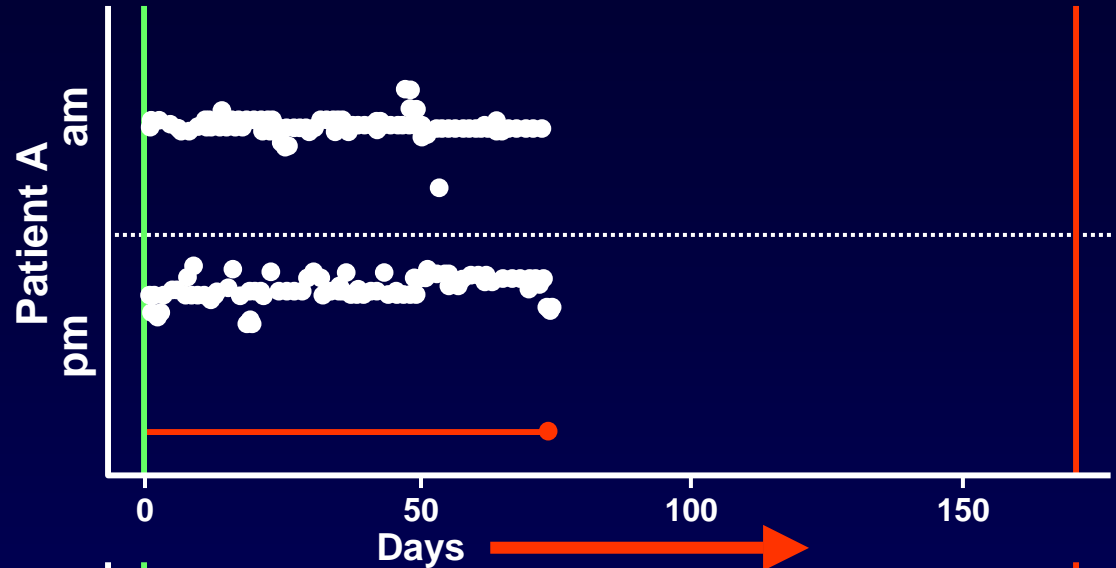


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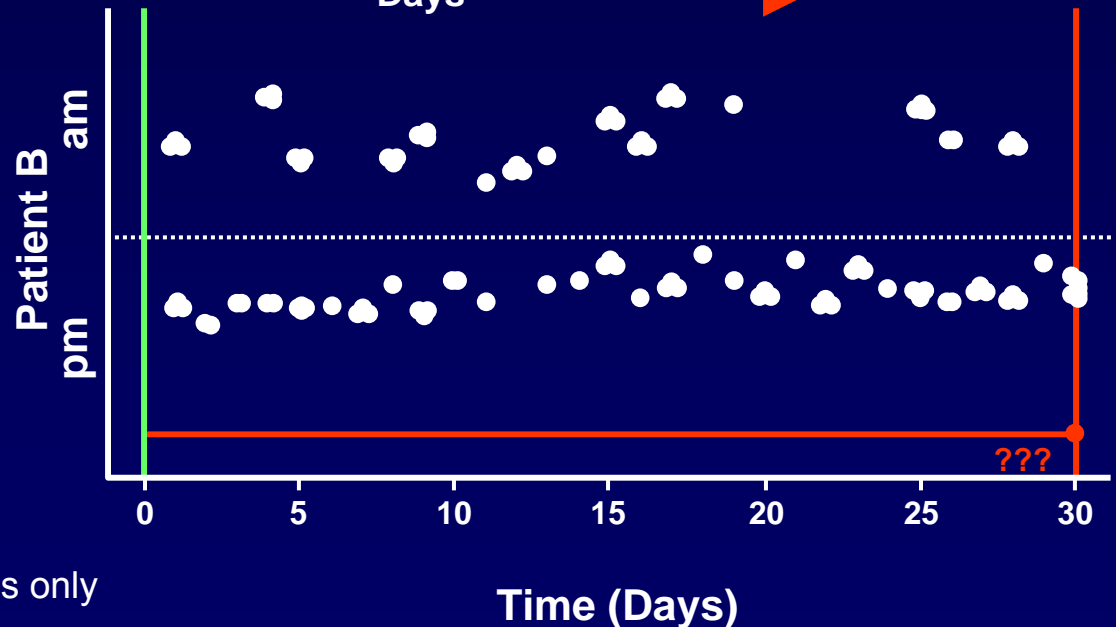
- Complex
- Continuous reinforcement
- All members of the team

# Components of Adherence

- **Persistence:**  
Time between treatment *initiation* and treatment *discontinuation*



- **Compliance:**  
correspondence between *actual* and *prescribed* dosing



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# Visible and Invisible Adverse Effects

## 'Visible' to patient

- CNS side effects
- GI tolerability
- Lipodystrophy

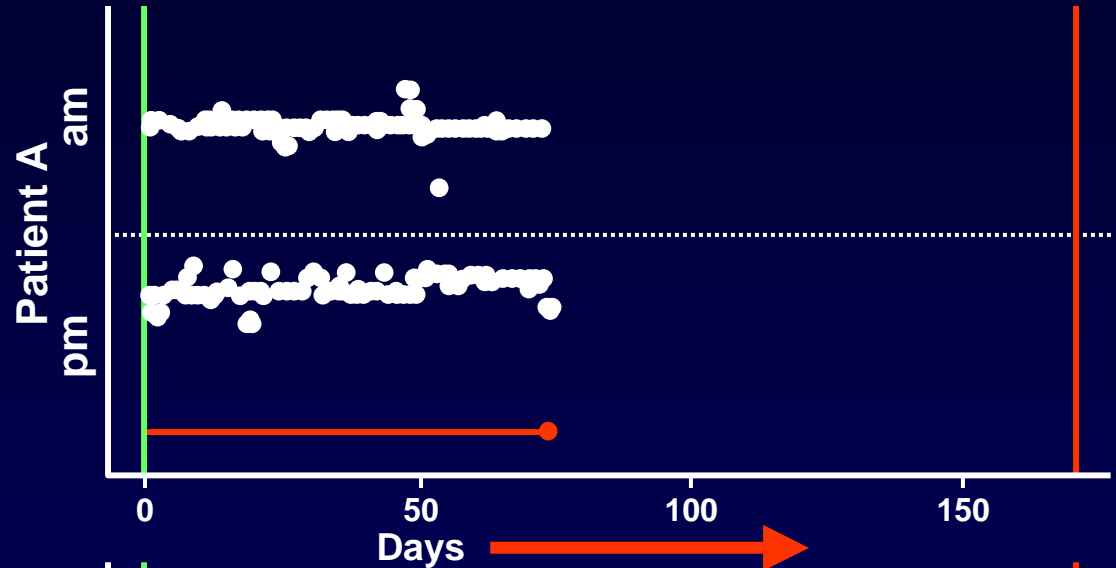
## Not 'visible' to patient

- Metabolic impact

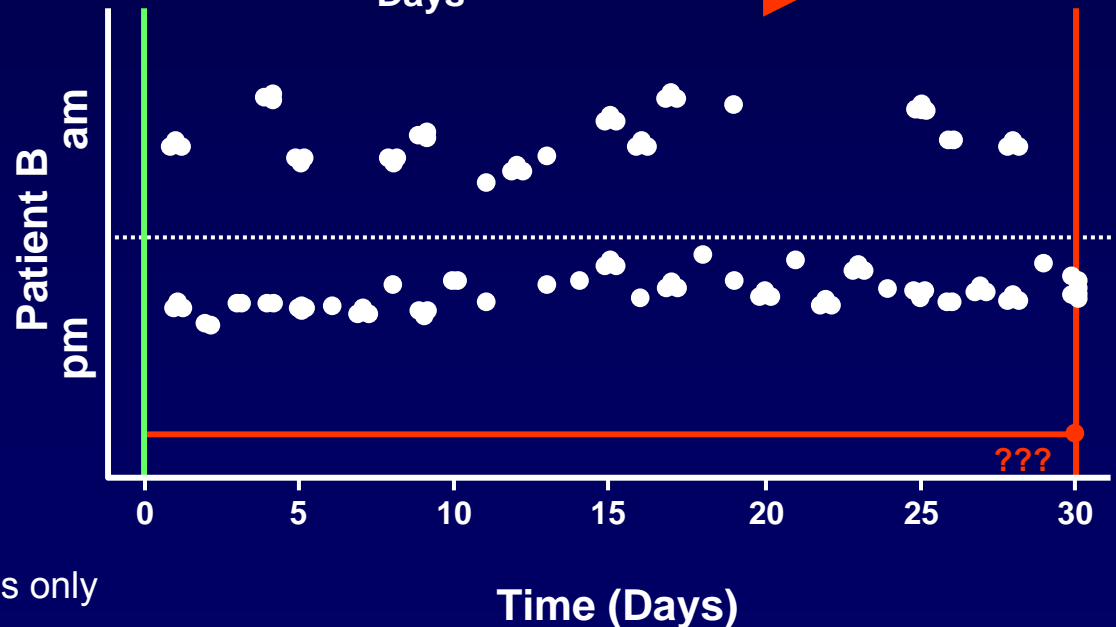
**Both short and long-term tolerability are important in maintaining high adherence**

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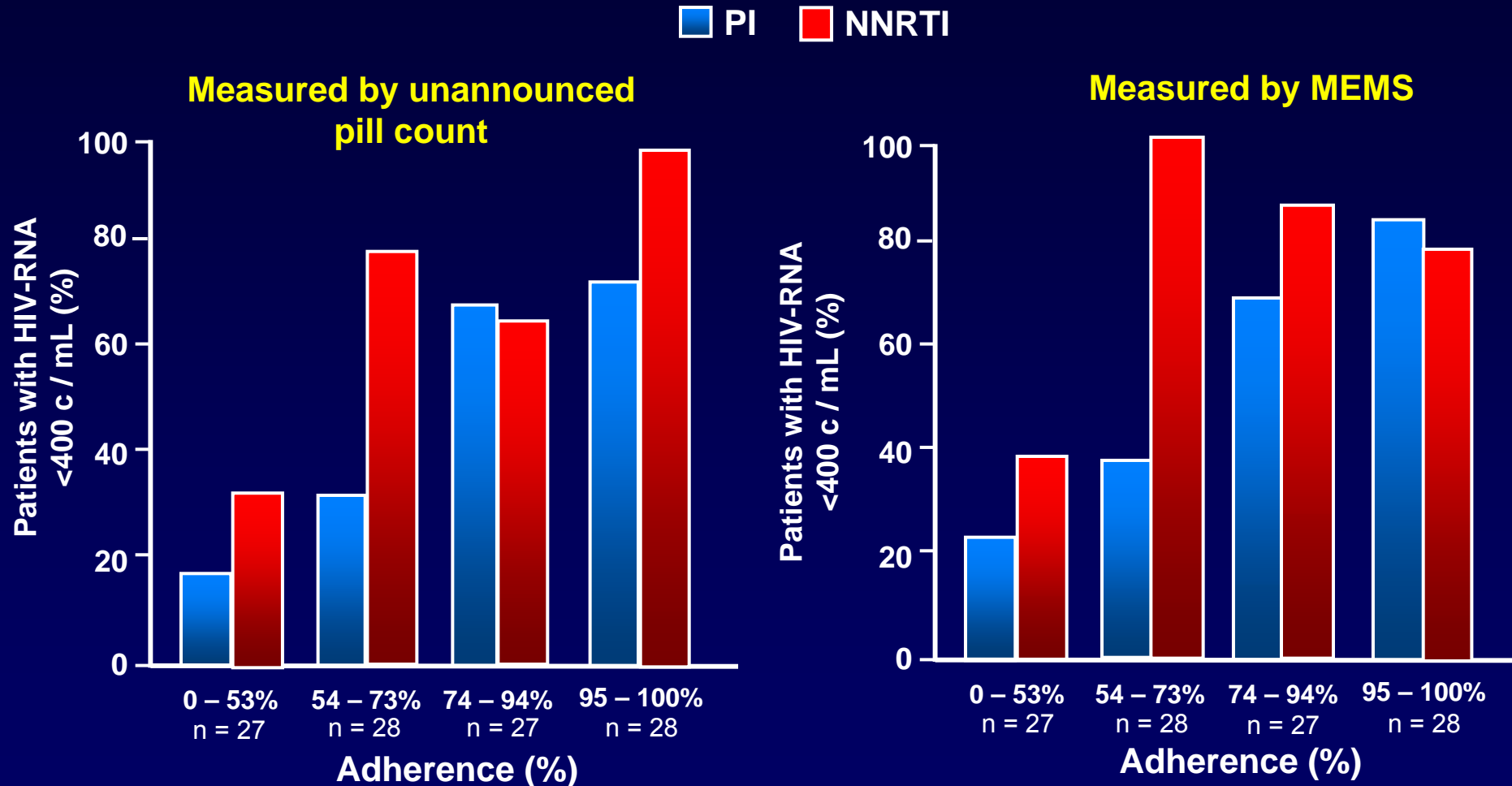
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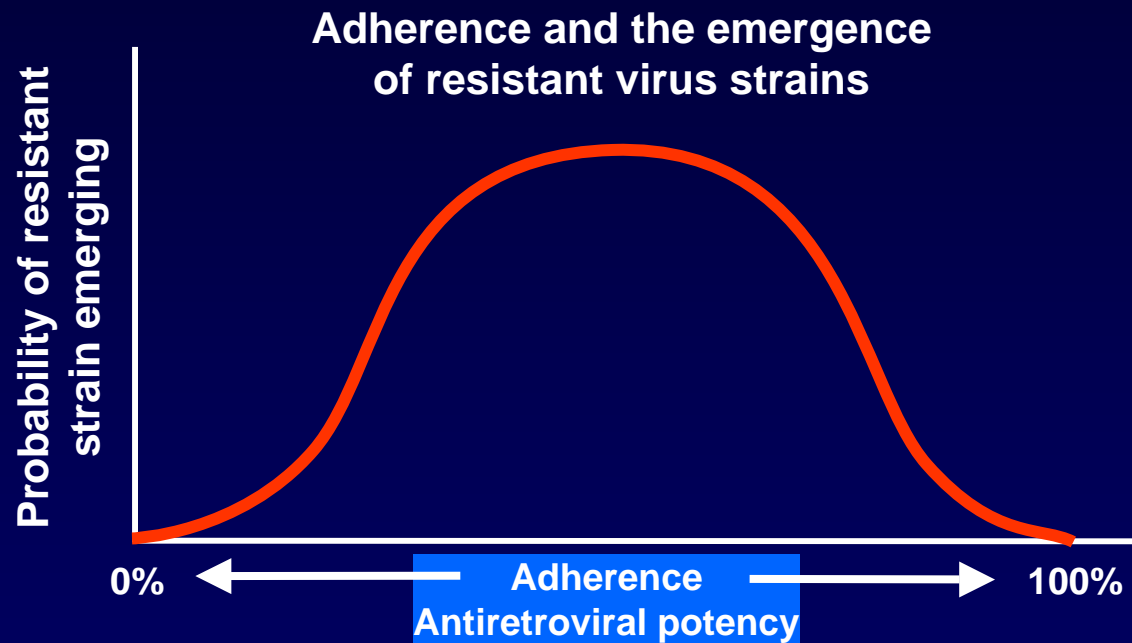
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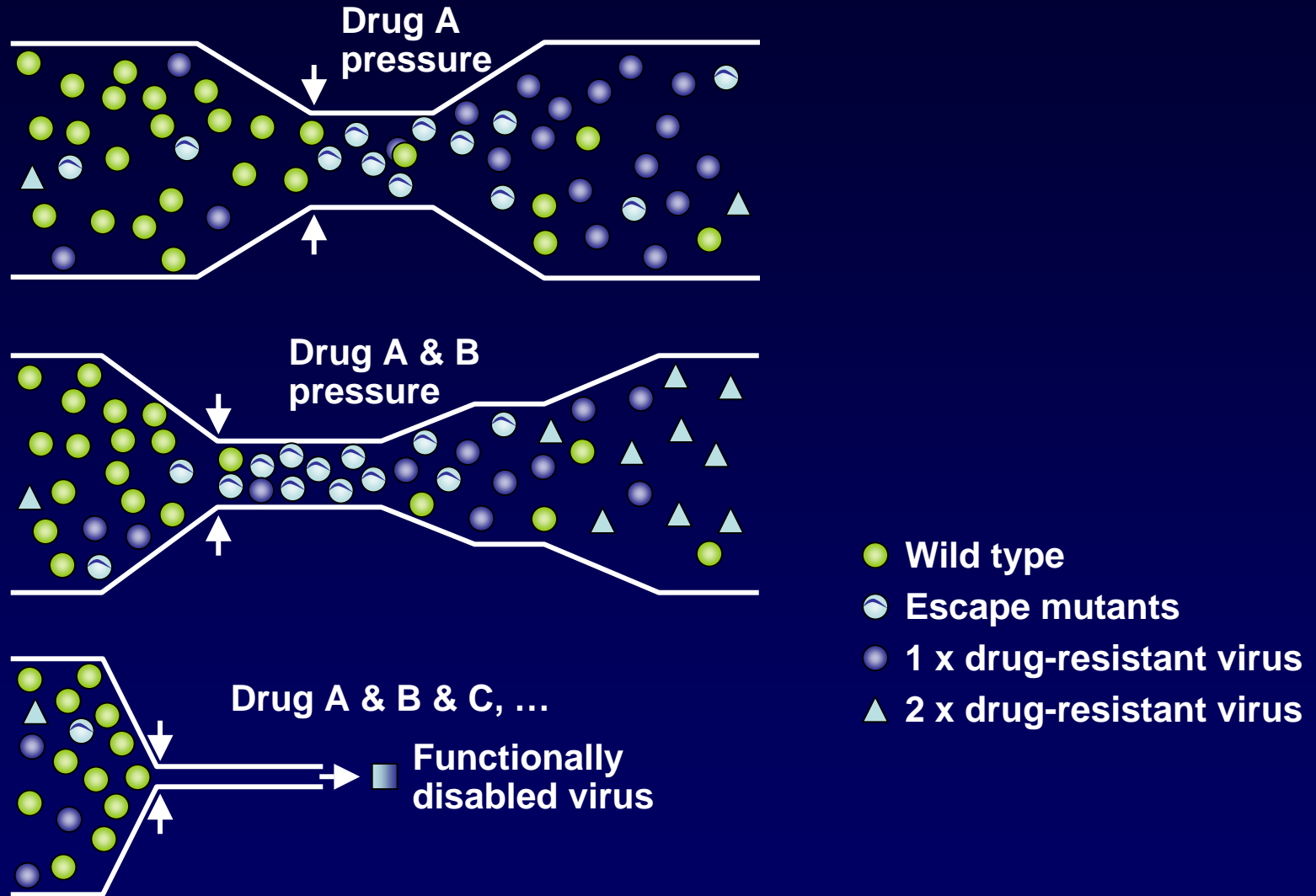
# Resistance as the Ultimate Consequence of Non-Adherence

## Resistance



**Intermediate Adherence Leads to Drug-Resistant HIV**

# Selection of Resistant Variants Under Drug Pressure



These figures are a schematic representation.

# Difference in Relationship Between Adherence, Viral Suppression and Resistance for NNRTIs vs. PIs

- NNRTI-treated patients significantly more likely to achieve viral suppression to < 50 copies / mL than PI-treated patients (50% vs. 22%;  $p < 0.005$ )
- PI resistance less common than NNRTI resistance at very low levels of adherence (0 – 48%)

