

When and How to Treat HIV-Infection in 2014

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HIV/AIDS Epidemic

2013 UNAIDS Report

- Number of people living with HIV/AIDS
 - 2001: 28,6 Millions
 - 2012: 35,2 Millions
- Deaths due to HIV/AIDS
 - 2001: 1,8 Millions
 - 2012: 1,6 Millions
- New HIV infections
 - 2001: 3,4 Millions
 - 2012: 2,3 Millions (33% decrease)

HIV/AIDS Epidemic

2013 UNAIDS Report

- Number of people receiving treatment
 - 2012: 9,7 Millions (61% of those eligible)
- The three UNAIDS objectives
 - No new infection
 - No discrimination
 - No death

Should We Treat Everyone with HIV?

1. Yes

2. No

3. Maybe

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The Historical Reasons for Deferring Therapy

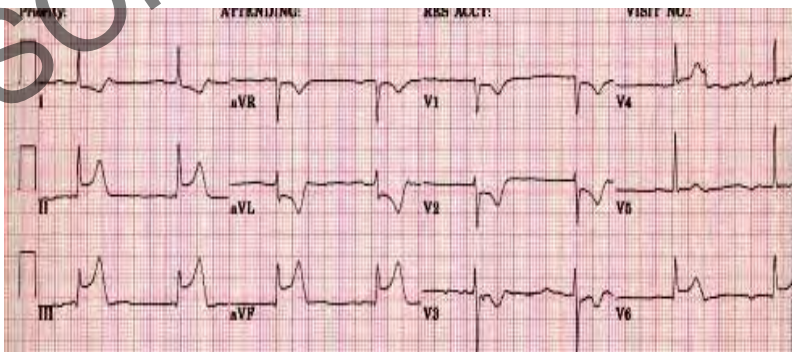
Body shape changes



High pill burden



High cost



Metabolic abnormalities/↑CV risk

SUMMARY REPORT

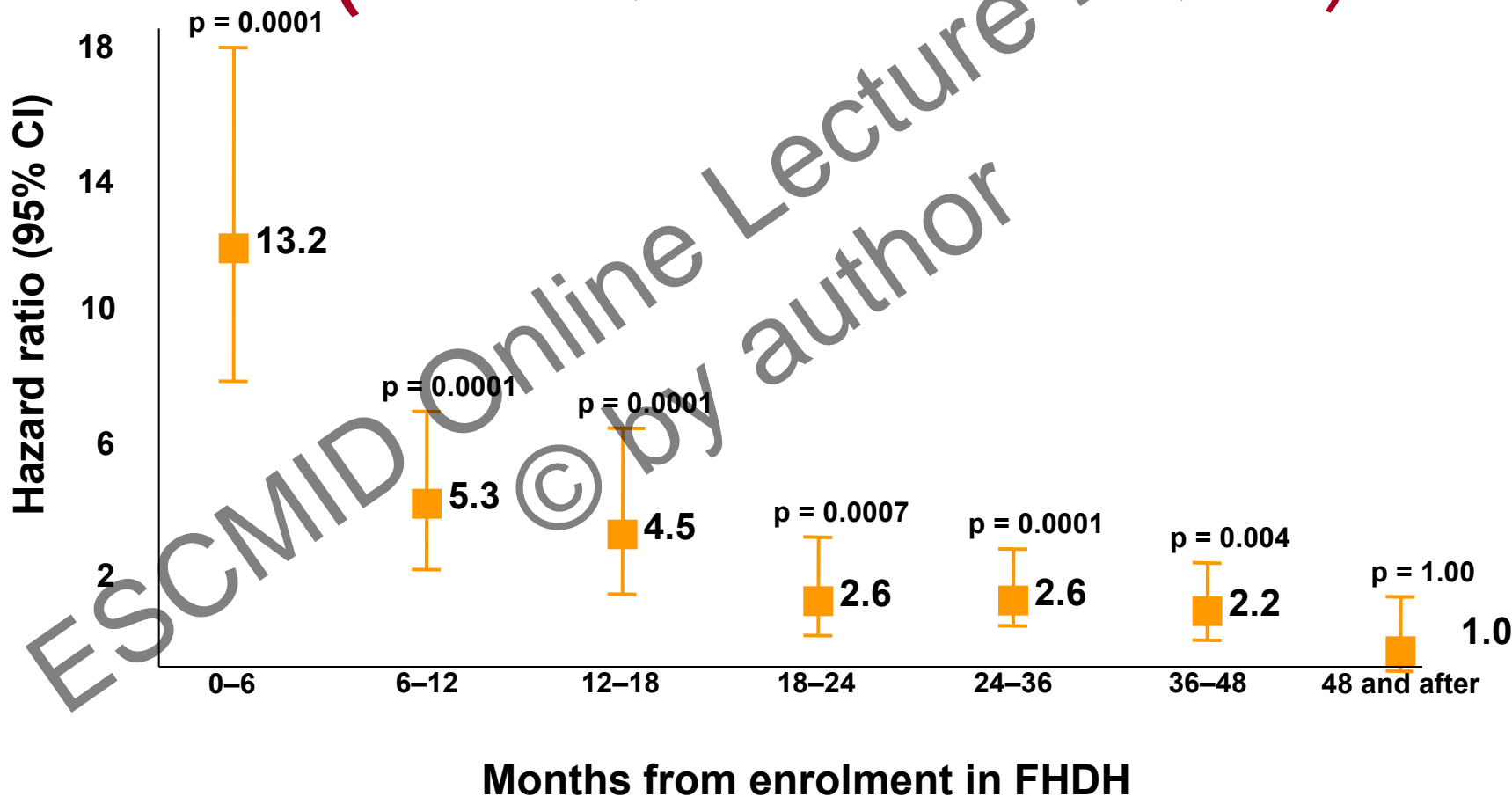
		FOLD CHANGE ¹	CUT-OFF ²	RESISTANCE ANALYSIS ³	CLINICAL NOTES
NR1 / NR2I mutations: 41L, 44D, 67N, 75M, 118I, 184V, 208Y, 210W, 211wt/K, 214F, 215Y, 218E, 219N					
Retrovir®	Zidovudine	12.6	1.2	9.6	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Epiriv®	Lamivudine	46.0	1.0	3.4	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Videx®	Didanosine	2.1	0.9	2.6	REDUCED RESPONSE
Zerit®	Stavudine	1.9	0.9	2.0	REDUCED RESPONSE
Ziagen®	Abacavir	4.9	0.8	1.9	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Emtriva®	Emtricitabine	43.1		3.5	RESISTANT
Viread®	Tenofovir DF	2.3	0.9	2.1	MINIMAL RESPONSE

NR2I mutations: 98S, 103N					
Viramune®	Nevirapine	53.3		5.5	RESISTANT
Sustiva®, Stocrin®	Efavirenz	11.8		3.4	RESISTANT

PI mutations: 10I, 15V, 20R, 35D, 36I, 37D, 46L, 53L, 54V, 55R, 58E, 62V, 63P, 71V, 73T, 82A, 90M					
Crixivan®	Indinavir	119.8	0.9	4.5	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Crixivan ®, boosted	Indinavir/r	119.8	10.6	40.1	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Viracept®	Nelfinavir	55.1	1.3	7.3	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Invirase®, boosted	Saquinavir/r	138.8	7.1	26.5	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Lexiva®, Telzir®, boosted	Fosamprenavir/r	9.3	1.3	11.4	REDUCED RESPONSE
Kaletra®	Lopinavir/r	105.0	9.7	36.1	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Reyataz®, boosted	Atazanavir/r	103.6	2.7	32.9	MINIMAL RESPONSE
Aptivus®, boosted	Tipranavir/r	2.6	1.2	5.4	REDUCED RESPONSE
Prezista®, boosted	Darunavir/r	2.4	3.4	36.9	MAXIMAL RESPONSE

Resistance

Mortality and Delayed Access to Care in France (AIDS and/or CD4 < 200 cells/mm³)



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When should cART be Initiated in Patients with an AIDS-defining Opportunistic Infection ?

Immediate Treatment of Patients with Opportunistic Infections : ACTG 5164

**Stratified on CD4
($< \text{ or } \geq 50$) cells/mm³
and PCP**



**Patients treated
for confirmed or
suspected OI *
(N = 282)**

**Immediate Antiretroviral Therapy
within 14 days of treatment for OI
(n = 141)**

→ 48 weeks

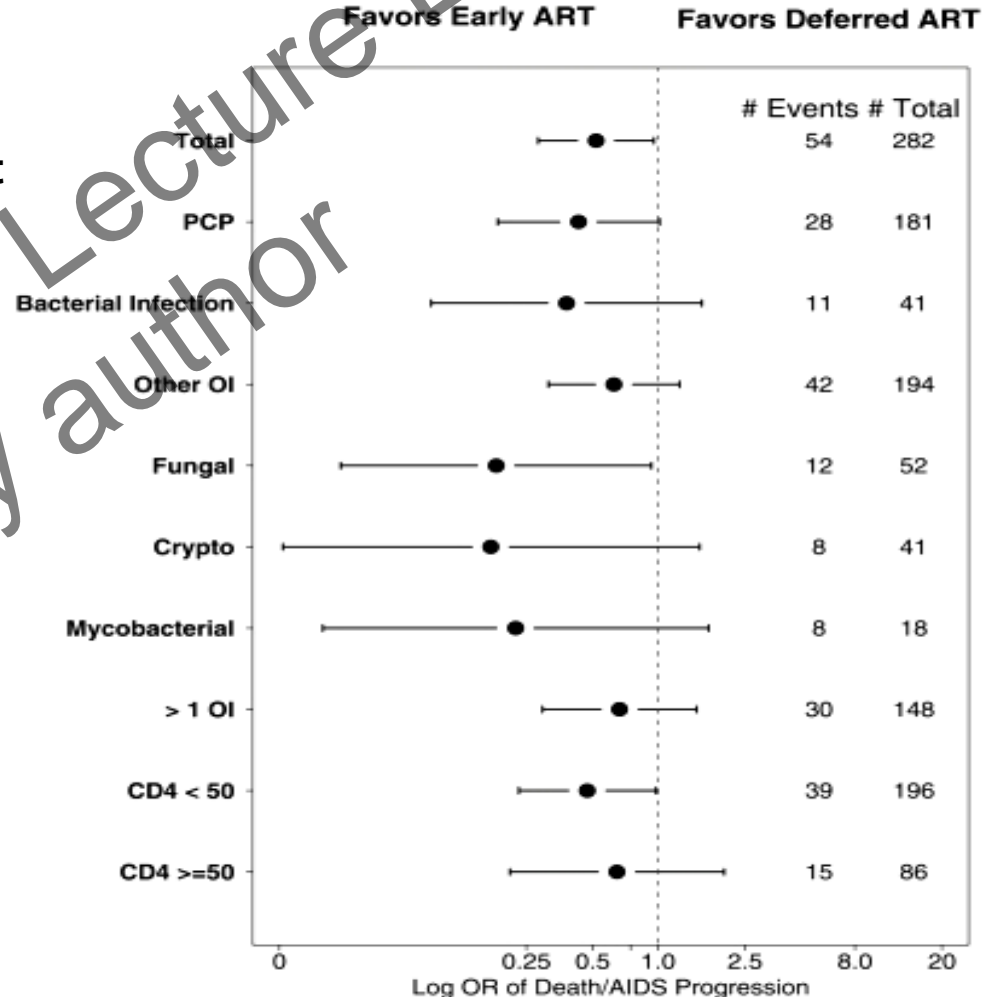
**Deferred Antiretroviral Therapy
(required between weeks 4 et 32)
(n = 141)**

→ 48 weeks

***Patients with TB excluded**

ACTG A5164: Improved Outcomes with Early cART

- Median baseline CD4 count : 29 cells and 63% had PCP
- Median duration between OI treatment and initiation of cART
 - Immediate arm : 12 days
 - Differed arm : 45 days
- Significant reduction of clinical progression (AIDS events and deaths) in the immediate group
 - 20 events (14.2%) vs 34 events (24.1%)
 - HR: 0.53 (95%CI: 0.3-0.9) p=0.023**
- Similar antiviral activity in both arms at week 48
- Similar tolerability and IRIS incidence in both arms (role of steroids?)



SAPiT: Optimal Time to Initiate ART in HIV/TB-Coinfected Patients

HIV-infected patients
diagnosed with TB and
CD4+ cell count
< 500 cells/mm³

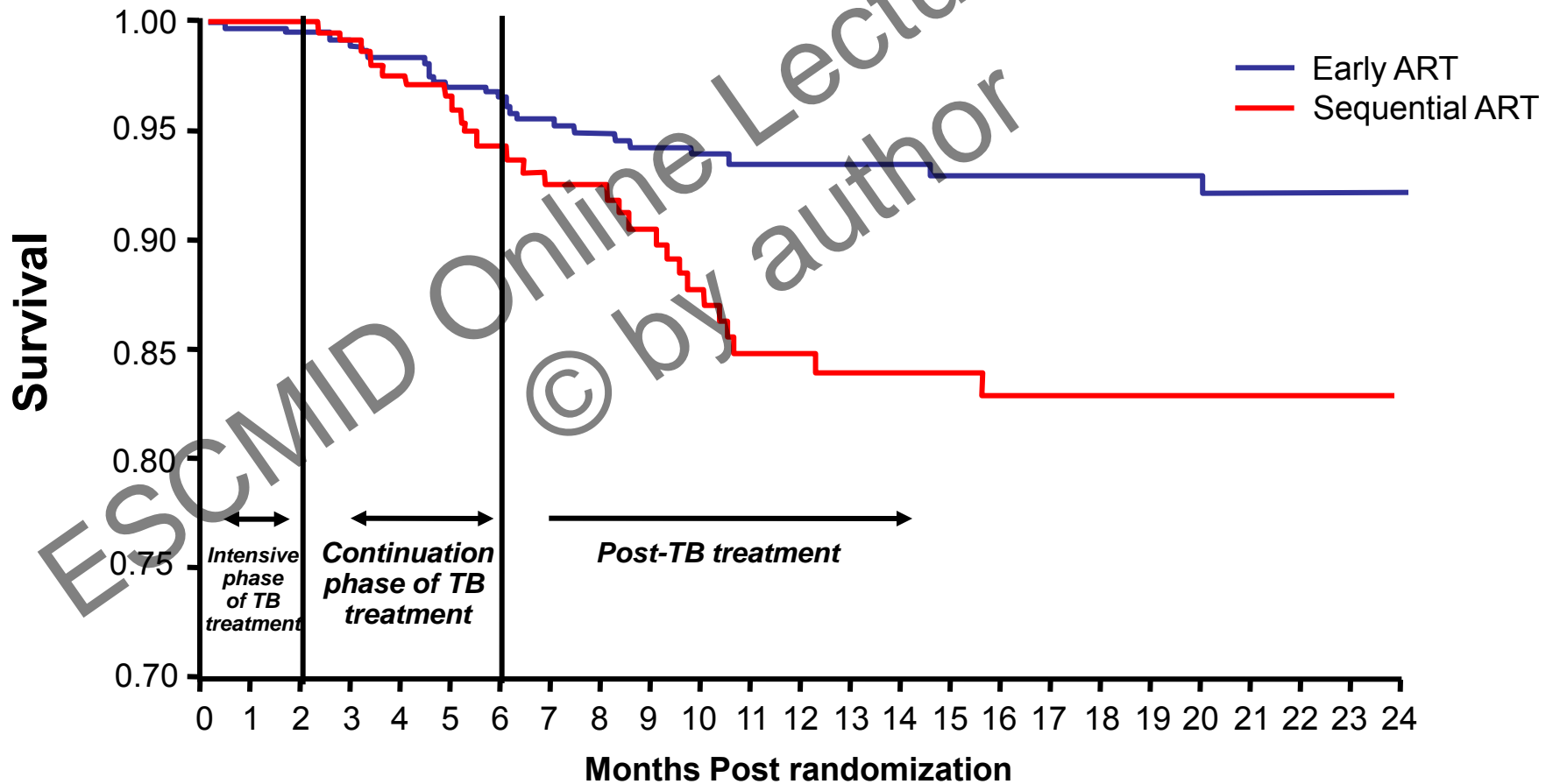
(N = 642)

Early ART (ddl 3TC EFV)
ART initiated during intensive or
continuation phase of TB therapy
(n = 429)

Sequential ART
ART initiated after TB therapy
completed
(n = 213)

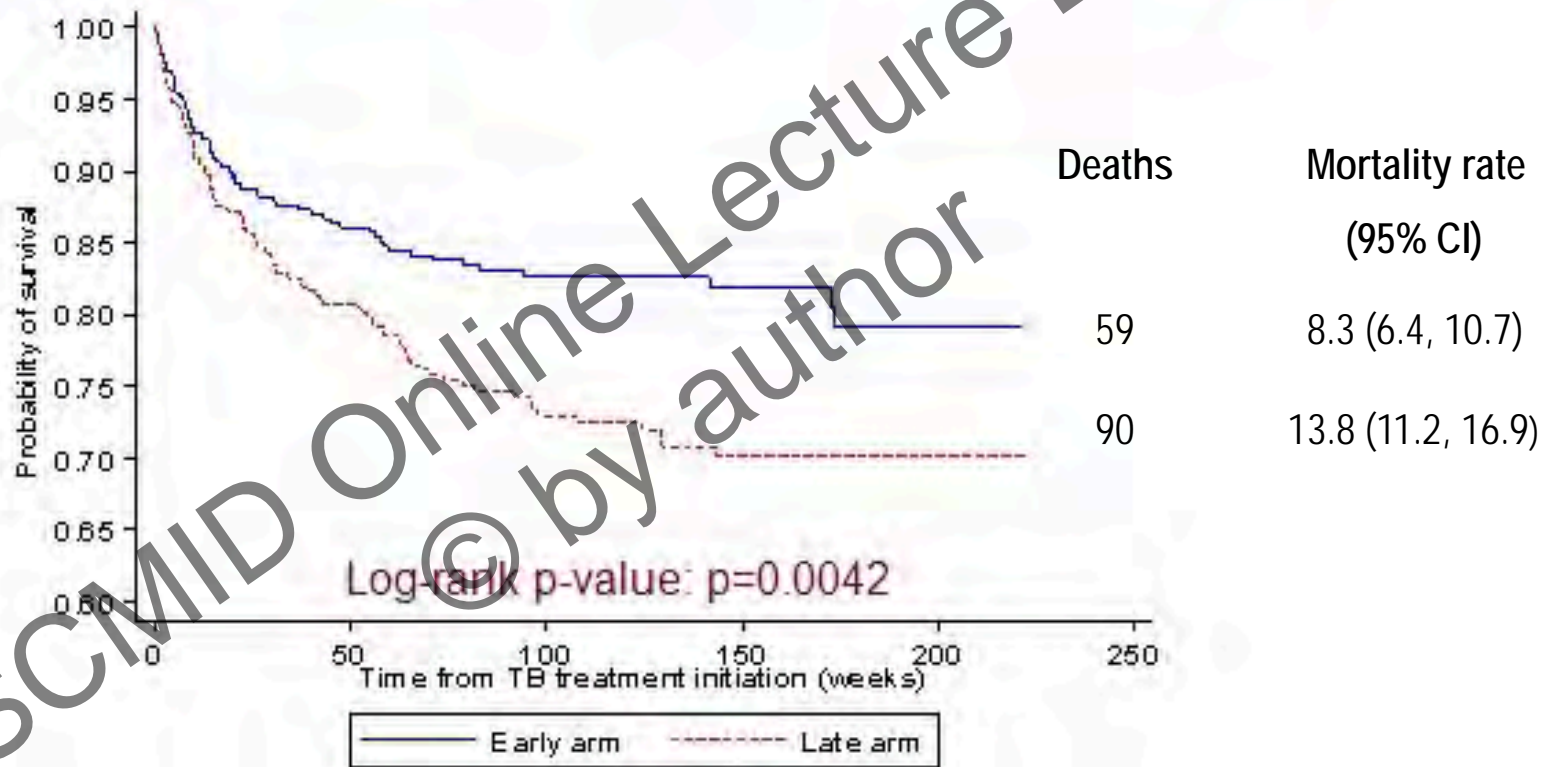
Primary endpoint: all-cause mortality

SAPiT: Increased Survival With Concurrent HIV and TB Treatment



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ARVs 2 vs. 8 wks after TB treatment



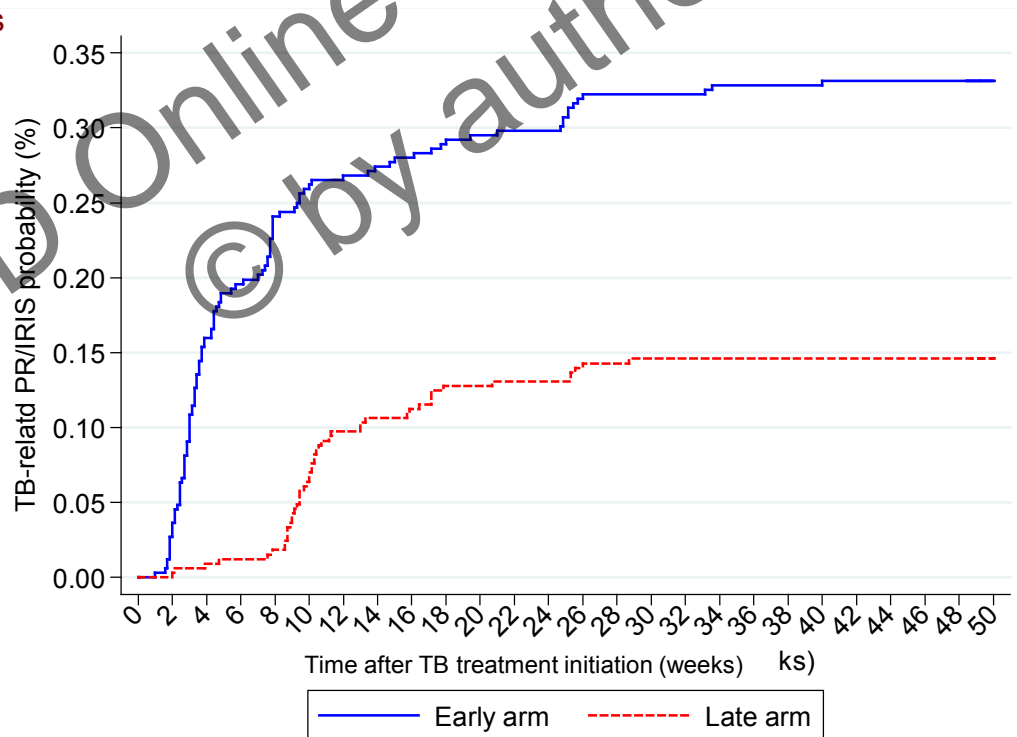
In patients with a median of 25 CD4 cells and TB, **mortality was reduced by 34%** when HAART initiated 2 weeks vs. 8 weeks after onset of TB treatment.

IRIS More Frequent in the Early Arm

	N	IRIS	Follow-up time*	Incidence (95% CI)	p
Early arm	332	110	2 728.5	4.03 (3.34 – 4.86)	<0.000
Late arm	329	48	3 333.5	1.44 (1.09 – 1.91)	1

* expressed in person-months

** per 100 person-months



COAT: Increased Mortality With Early ART During Cryptococcal Meningitis Induction Therapy

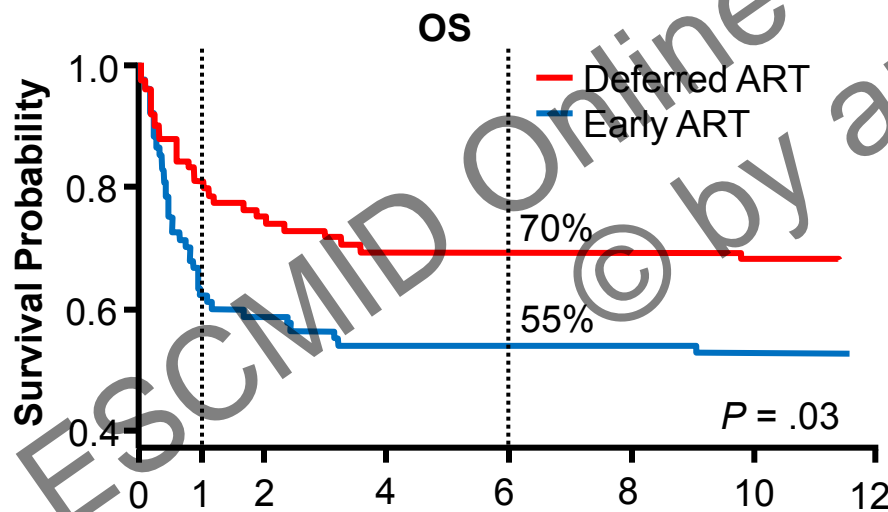
- Significantly lower 6-months survival with early (1-2 weeks) vs deferred (5 weeks) ART
 - Enrollment halted early by NIAID Africa DSMB

Mortality : early vs late

Patients with CSF WBC counts $< 5 \text{ cells/mm}^3$ at randomization (HR: 3.9; $P < .01$)

- In HIV-infected patients with a recent diagnosis of cryptococcal meningitis

ART initiation should be deferred until 5 weeks



	0	1	2	4	6	8	10	12
Pts at Risk, n								
Deferred	89	71	65	60	60	58	57	
Early	88	54	51	47	47	45	44	

Is there Evidence
that cART should be Initiated in
Asymptomatic Patients
with CD4 < 350 cells/ μ L ?

The CIPRA HT-001 Trial in Treatment-Naive Patients in Haiti

HIV-infected, treatment-naive patients with CD4 200-350 and no history of AIDS (N = 816)

Early antiretroviral therapy : EFV + AZT/3TC initiated within 2 weeks of enrollment (n = 408)

Standard antiretroviral therapy initiated when CD4 \leq 200 or AIDS-event (n = 408)

- Primary endpoint: Overall survival
- Median baseline CD4 cell count : 280, median age 40y and 42% males
- Patients were given cotrimoxazole and INH prophylaxis (when TST positive)
- Upon publication NA-accord study, DSMB conducted interim analysis when 29 deaths reported, after a median FU of 21 months

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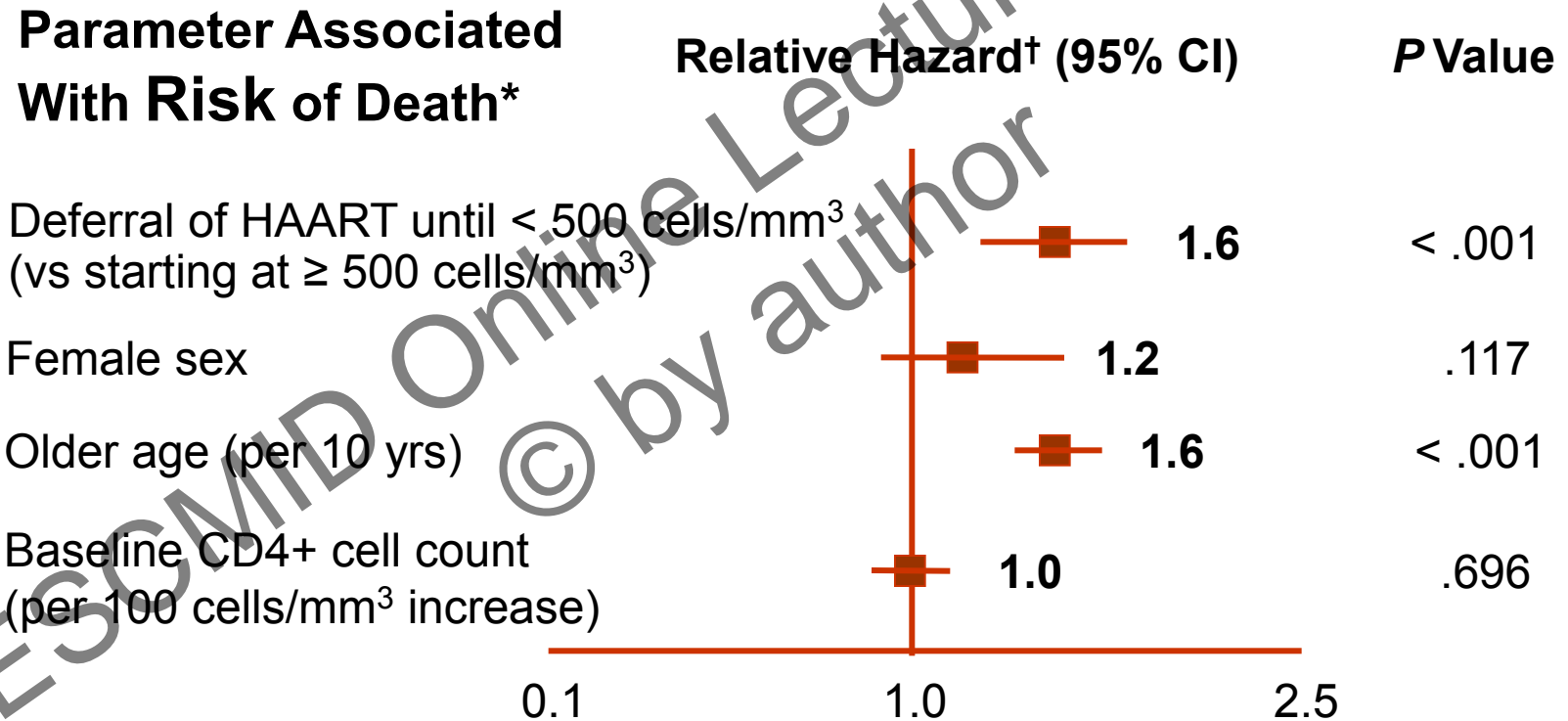
	Early cART (n=408)	Standard cART (n=408)	Hazard Ratio	P value
Deaths, n	6	23	4.0	0.0011
Gastroenteritis/sepsis	1	7		
Tuberculosis	0	5		
Pneumonia	0	4		
Cholangitis/sepsis	0	1		
Other	5	6		
Incident TB	18	36	2.0	0.0125

Only 160 of the 408 patients in the deferred arm had received cART at the time of the interim analysis

Mortality was reduced by 75% and incident tuberculosis by 50%

Is there Evidence that cART has a
good Benefit:Risk ratio in
Asymptomatic Patients
with CD4 > 350 cells/ μ L ?

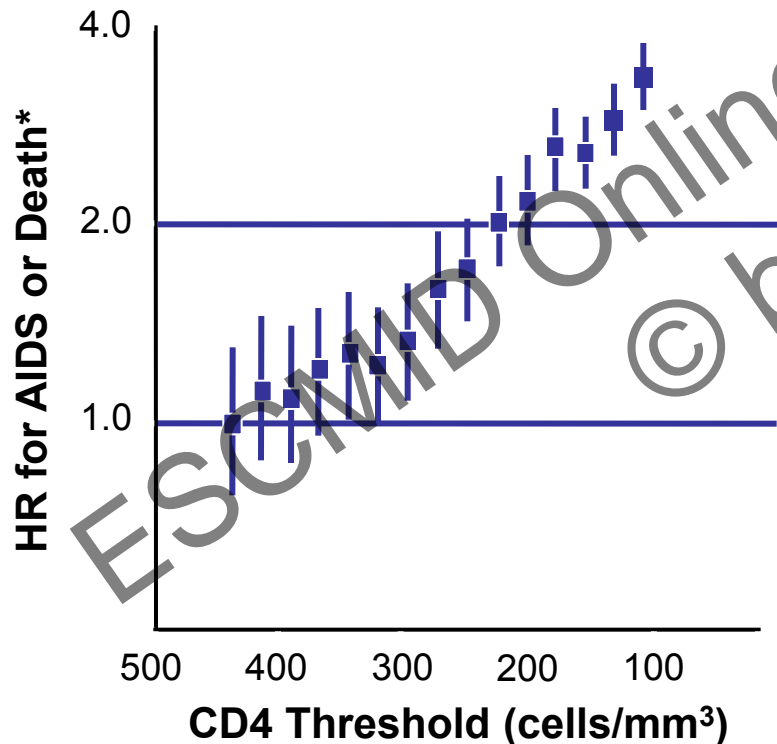
NA-ACCORD: Survival Benefit of Earlier HAART by Baseline Factor



*All causes of death unspecified. †Stratified by cohort and calendar year.

ART CC: Supports Initiating ART at CD4 Threshold of 350 cells/mm³

N=24,444 (15 cohorts from US and Europe)



Comparison	HR* (95% CI)
1-100 vs 101-200	3.35 (2.99-3.75)
101-200 vs 201-300	2.21 (1.91-2.56)
201-300 vs 301-400	1.34 (1.12-1.61)
251-350 vs 351-450	1.28 (1.04-1.57)
351-450 vs 451-550	0.99 (0.76-1.29)

*Adjusted for lead-time and unobserved events.

International START Trial

HIV-infected individuals who are ART-naïve with
CD4+ count > 500 cells/mm³

Early ART Group

**Initiate ART immediately
following randomization**

**N=450 in pilot phase and
estimated as N=2,000 for
definitive trial**

Deferred ART Group

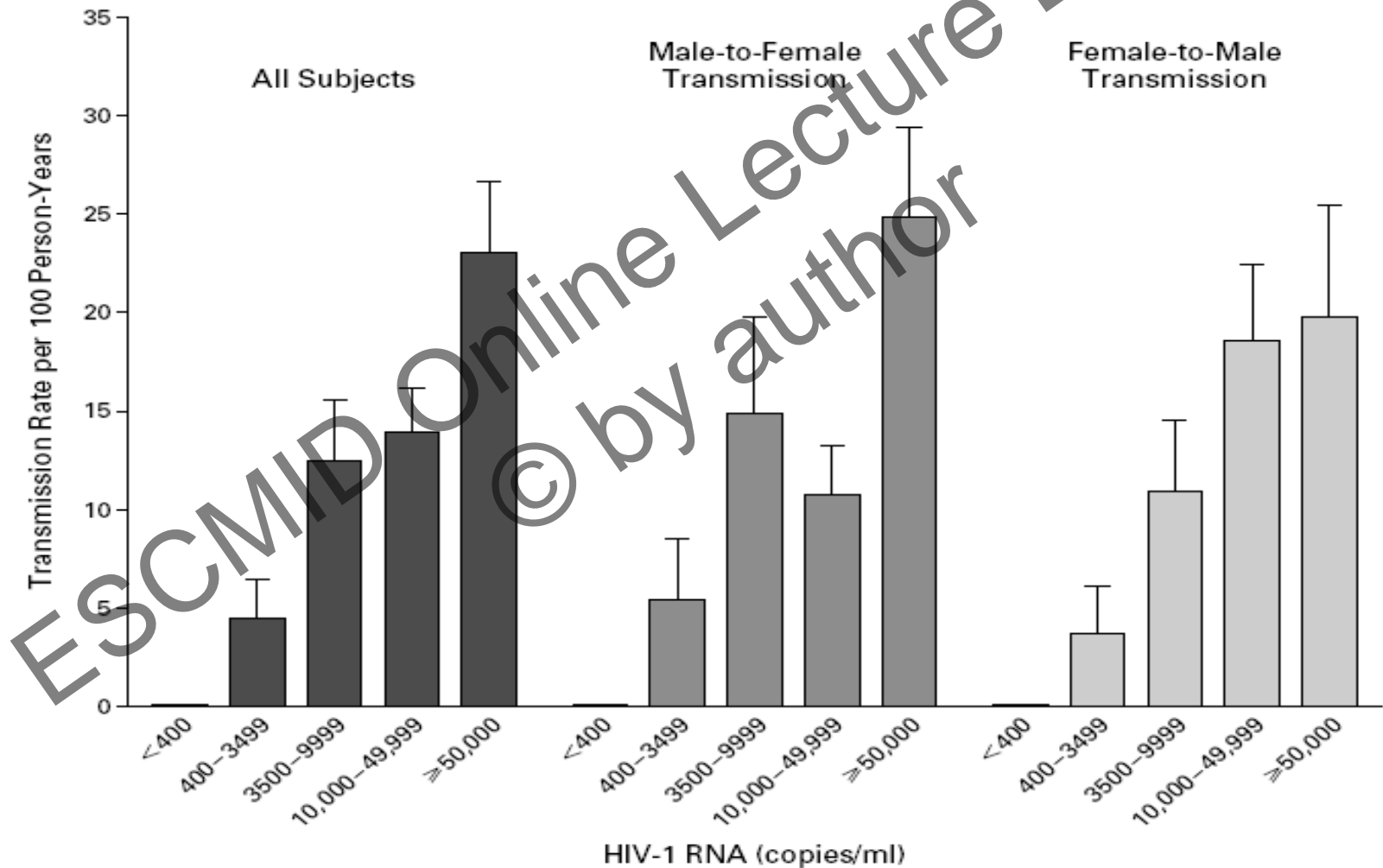
**Defer ART until the CD4+ count
declines to < 350 cells/mm³ or
AIDS develops**

**N=450 in pilot phase and
estimated as N=2,000 for
definitive trial**

**The Role of cART on Prevention
A Reason to Start Early
with > 500 CD4 cells ?**

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HIV Transmission Rate and Plasma HIV RNA levels in the Absence of cART



HPTN 052: Immediate vs Delayed ART for HIV Prevention in Serodiscordant Couples

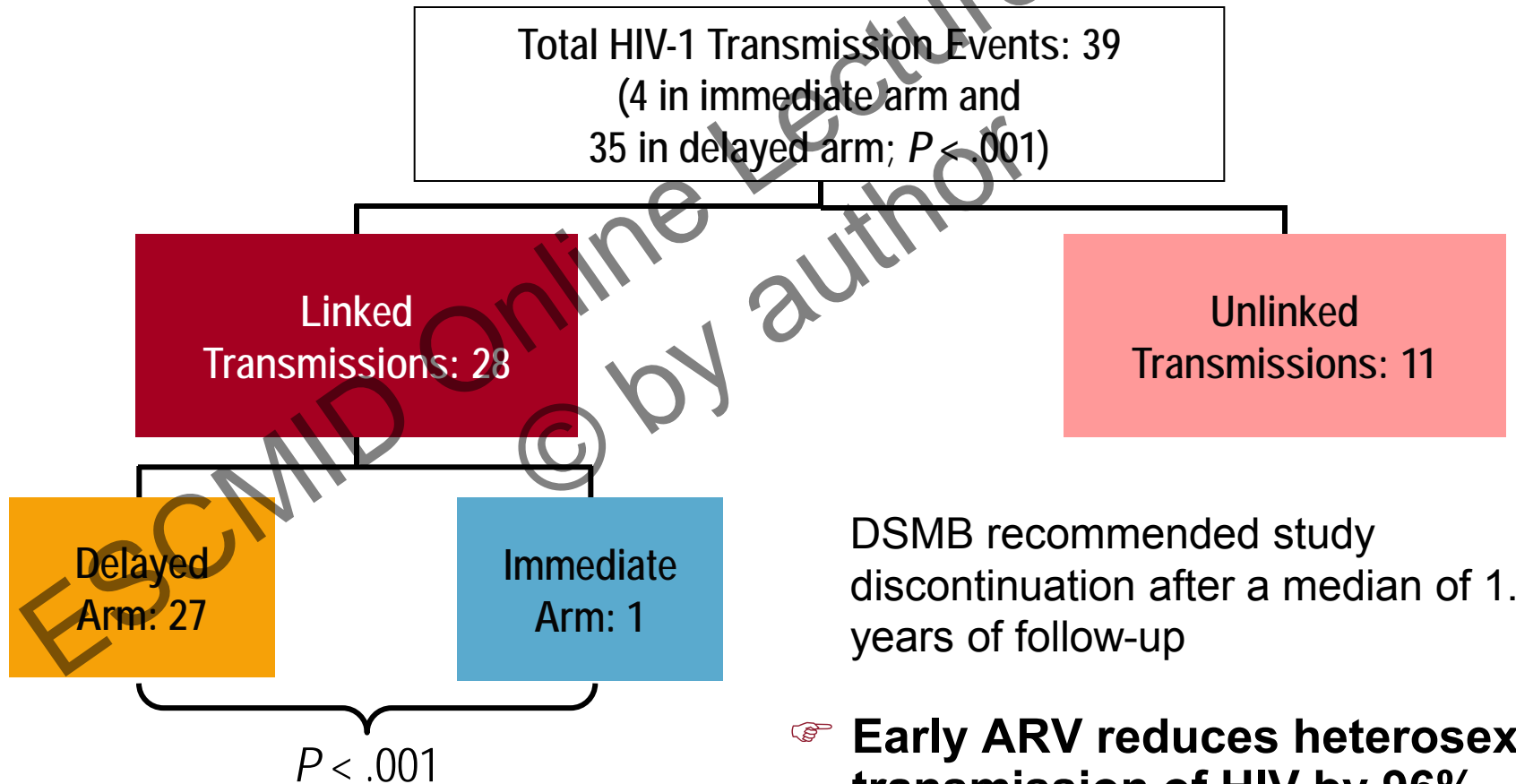
Active serodiscordant couples; CD4+ cell count of the infected partner: **350-550 cells/mm³**
(N = 1763 couples)

Immediate HAART
Initiate HAART at CD4+ cell count 350-550 cells/mm³
(n = 886 couples)

Delayed HAART
Initiate HAART at CD4+ cell count ≤ 250 cells/mm³
(n = 877 couples)

- Primary efficacy endpoint: virologically linked HIV transmission
- Primary clinical endpoints: WHO stage 4 events, pulmonary TB, severe bacterial infection and/or death
- Couples received intensive counseling on risk reduction and use of condoms

HPTN 052: HIV Transmission Reduced by 96% in Serodiscordant Couples

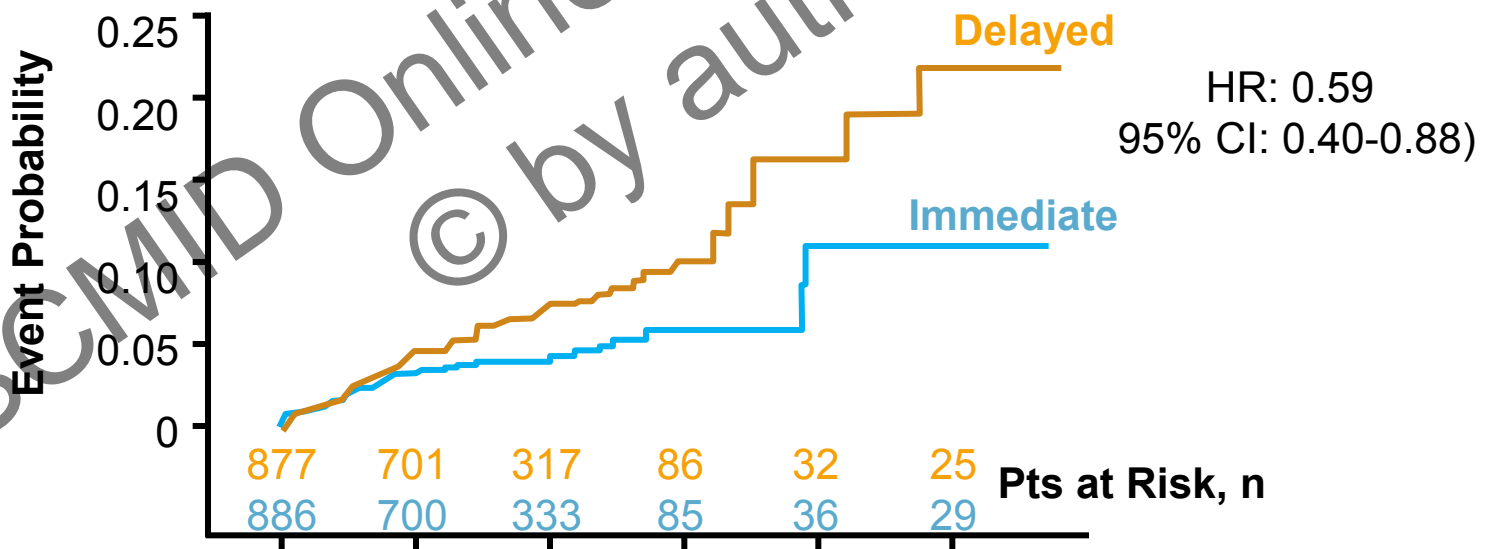


DSMB recommended study discontinuation after a median of 1.7 years of follow-up

👉 **Early ARV reduces heterosexual transmission of HIV by 96%**

HPTN 052: Analysis of Primary Clinical Events During Follow-up

- 41% reduction in HIV-related clinical events in HIV-infected patients randomized to immediate vs delayed therapy
 - Excess events in delayed arm driven mainly by TB (33 vs 17 cases), particularly extrapulmonary TB (17 vs 3 cases) ($P = .002$)



When to start: What guidelines recommend?

Recommendations to reduce the risk of disease progression				
Clinical category	CD4 cells/mm ³	DHHS (2014)	EACS (2013)	WHO (2013)
AIDS-defining symptomatic	Any value	Treat (AI)	Treat	Treat (priority)
Asymptomatic	<200-350	Treat (AI)	Treat	Treat (priority)
Asymptomatic	350-500	Treat (AII)	Individual basis [†]	Treat (A II)
Asymptomatic	>500	Treat (B III)	Individual basis [†]	Individual basis*

A: Strong B: Moderate I: data from randomized controlled trials, II: observational cohort, III: expert opinion

† considered to reduce HIV transmission, primary HIV infection, and recommended to treat pregnancy

HCV/HBV coinfection, HIV-AN or neurocognitive deficiency, high CV risk (> 20% at years) or malignancy,

*Active TB, HBV coinfection with liver disease, pregnant women, serodiscordant partnership

DHHS Guidelines. Available www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/ContentFiles/AdultandAdolescentGL.pdf. Accessed May 2014.

EACS Guidelines 2013. Available at http://www.eacsociety.org/Portals/0/Guidelines_Online_131014.pdf

WHO guidelines 2013 Available at <http://www.who.int/hiv/pub/guidelines/en/>

JD, a 24-Yr-Old Man Who Has Sex With Men and Women

- Recently diagnosed with HIV when evaluated in STI clinic for gonorrhea
 - Also RPR positive, HBsAb positive, HCV Ab negative
- HIV-1 RNA: 57,000 copies/mL; CD4+ cell count: 710 cells/mm³
 - Repeat labs (8 wks later): HIV-1 RNA: 53,000 copies/mL; CD4+ cell count: 690 cells/mm³
- No other medical problems, takes no medications but a multivitamin “when he remembers”
- Several casual and occasional anonymous (Internet) male sex partners with whom he has insertive anal sex
 - Reports “frequently” using condoms

Would you Recommend to Start Antiretroviral Therapy?

1. Yes

2. No

3. Only if he has a personal benefit

**What to Start With Once the
Decision to Treat is Made ?**

Antiretroviral Drugs Available in 2014 in Europe and USA

Nucleoside RT Inhibitors (NRTIs)

Abacavir (ABC)
Didanosine (ddI)
Emtricitabine (FTC)
Lamivudine (3TC)
Stavudine (d4T)
Tenofovir (TDF)
Zidovudine (ZDV)
3TC/ABC
3TC/ABC/ZDV
3TC/ZDV
FTC/TDF

Non Nucleosides RT Inhibitors (NNRTIs)

Efavirenz (EFV)
Nevirapine (NVP)
Efavirenz/TDF/FTC*
Etravirine (ETV)
Rilpivirine (RPV)
Rilpivirine/TDF/FTC*

Protease Inhibitors (IPs)

Atazanavir (ATV)
Fosamprenavir (FPV)
Indinavir (IDV)
Lopinavir/ritonavir (LPV/RTV)
Nelfinavir (NFV)
Ritonavir (RTV)
Saquinavir (SQV hgc)
Tipranavir (TPV)
Darunavir (DRV)

Fusion Inhibitors (FIs)

Enfuvirtide (ENF)

Integrase Inhibitors (INSTIs)

Raltegravir (RAL)
Elvitegravir/cobicistat/TDF/FTC*
Dolutegravir

Entry Inhibitors (EIs)

Maraviroc (MVC)



A CONTROLLED TRIAL OF TWO NUCLEOSIDE ANALOGUES PLUS INDINAVIR
IN PERSONS WITH HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS INFECTION
AND CD4 CELL COUNTS OF 200 PER CUBIC MILLIMETER OR LESS

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Stratified on CD4
< or \geq 50 cells/mm³

AZT-experienced
PI and 3TC naïve
HIV-infected adults
< 200 CD4 cells
(N = 1156)

AZT + 3TC + Indinavir placebo

→ 48 weeks

AZT + 3TC + Indinavir

→ 48 weeks

Superiority Trial

Primary end-point: development of AIDS or death

Responses of CD4 cells and Plasma HIV RNA Paralleled Clinical Results

■ Clinical Efficacy Results

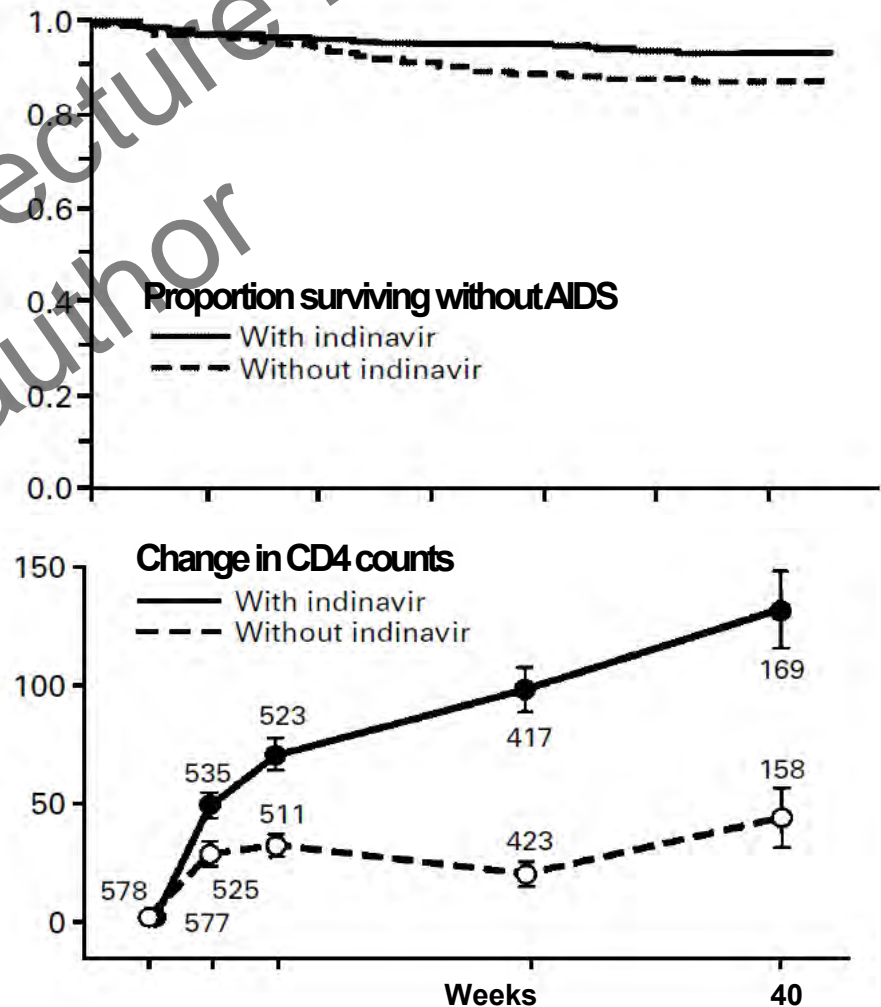
- 50% reduction of progression to AIDS and death (6 vs 11%, HR: 0.50, $p < 0.001$)
- 57% reduction of mortality 1.4 vs 3.1 %, HR 0.43; $p = 0.004$)

■ Change in CD4 counts

- Mean CD4 cell count at BL : 87 cells
- Mean increase difference by 82 cells at week 40 in the triple arm vs dual arm

■ Changes in plasma HIV RNA levels

- Mean decrease in VL : 0.6 vs 2.3 log at week 24 ($p < 0.001$)
- 60% triple arm vs 9% dual arm had < 500 cp/ml at week 24

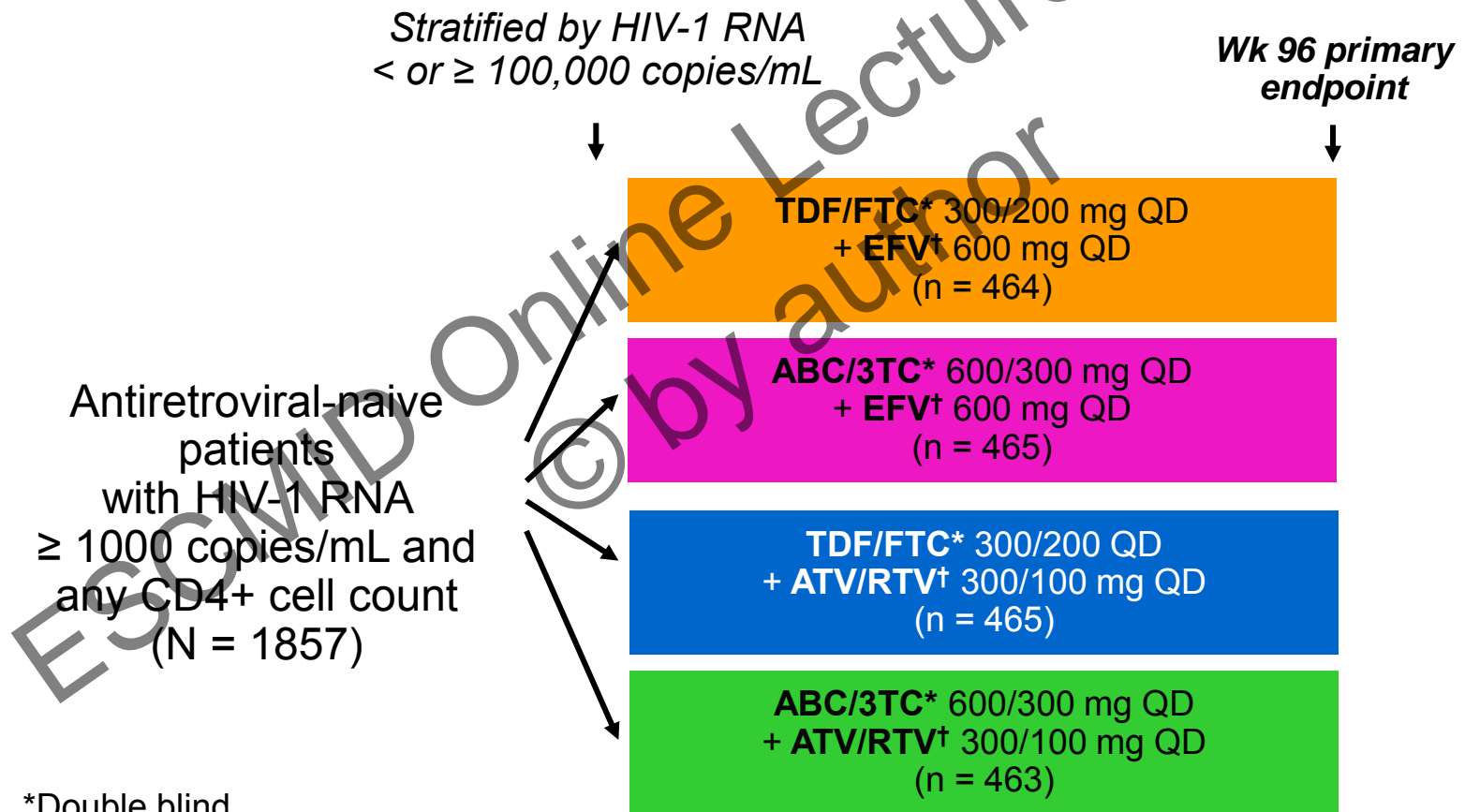


2014 US DHHS Guidelines

What to Start with ?

- **3 types of regimens are now recommended regardless of viral load and CD4 counts for treatment naïve patients**
- **All include 2 NRTIs plus either NNRTI, PI/r, or INSTI**
- **NNRTI : EFV + TDF/FTC (664 €/month)**
- **PI/r: ATV/r or DRV/r + TDF/FTC (860 € /month)**
- **INSTI:**
 - **RAL, DTG or EVG (cobi) + TDF/FTC (885 €/month)**
 - **DTG + ABC/3TC**

ACTG 5202: First-line Therapy With ABC/3TC vs TDF/FTC + EFV vs ATV/RTV

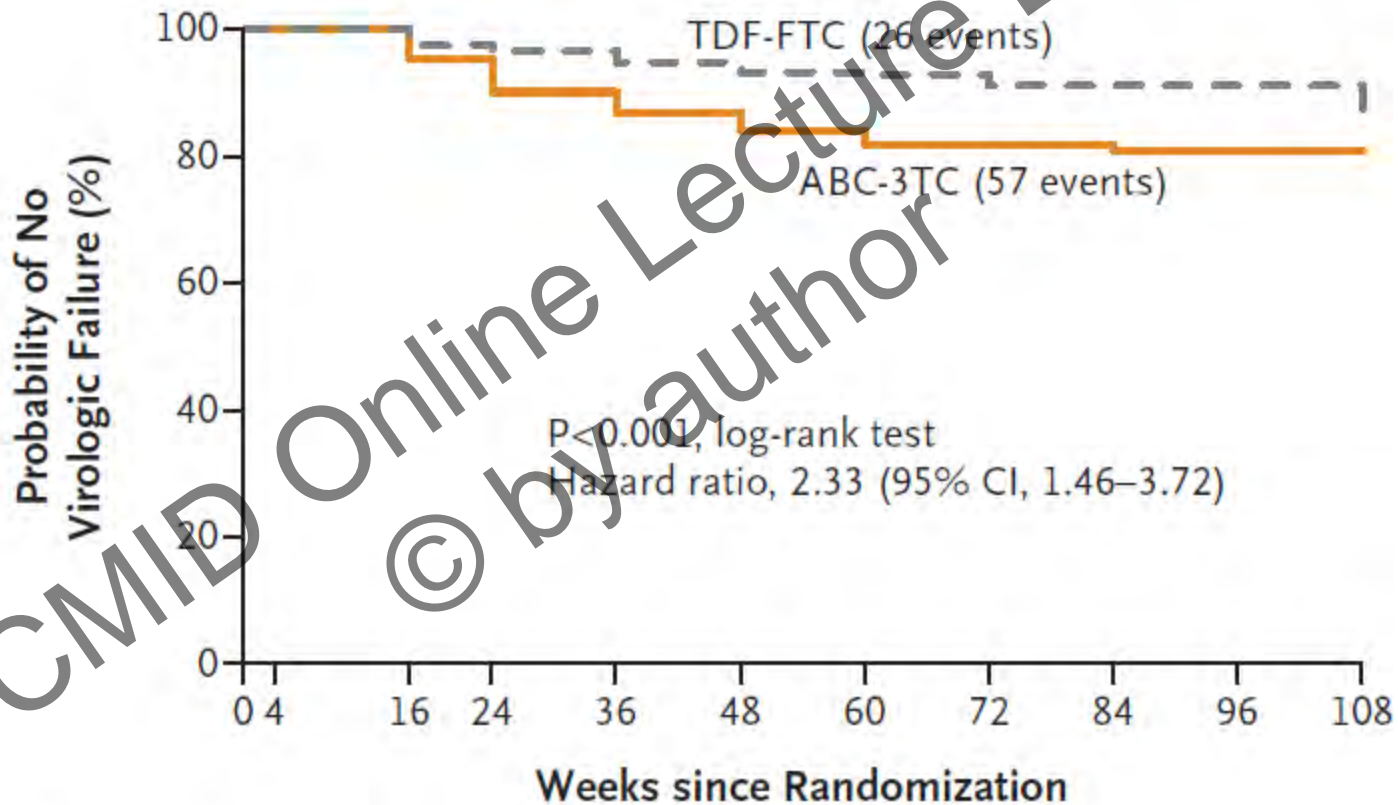


*Double blind.

†Open label.

A5202: Time to Virologic Failure in Patients with HIV RNA >100,000 c/mL

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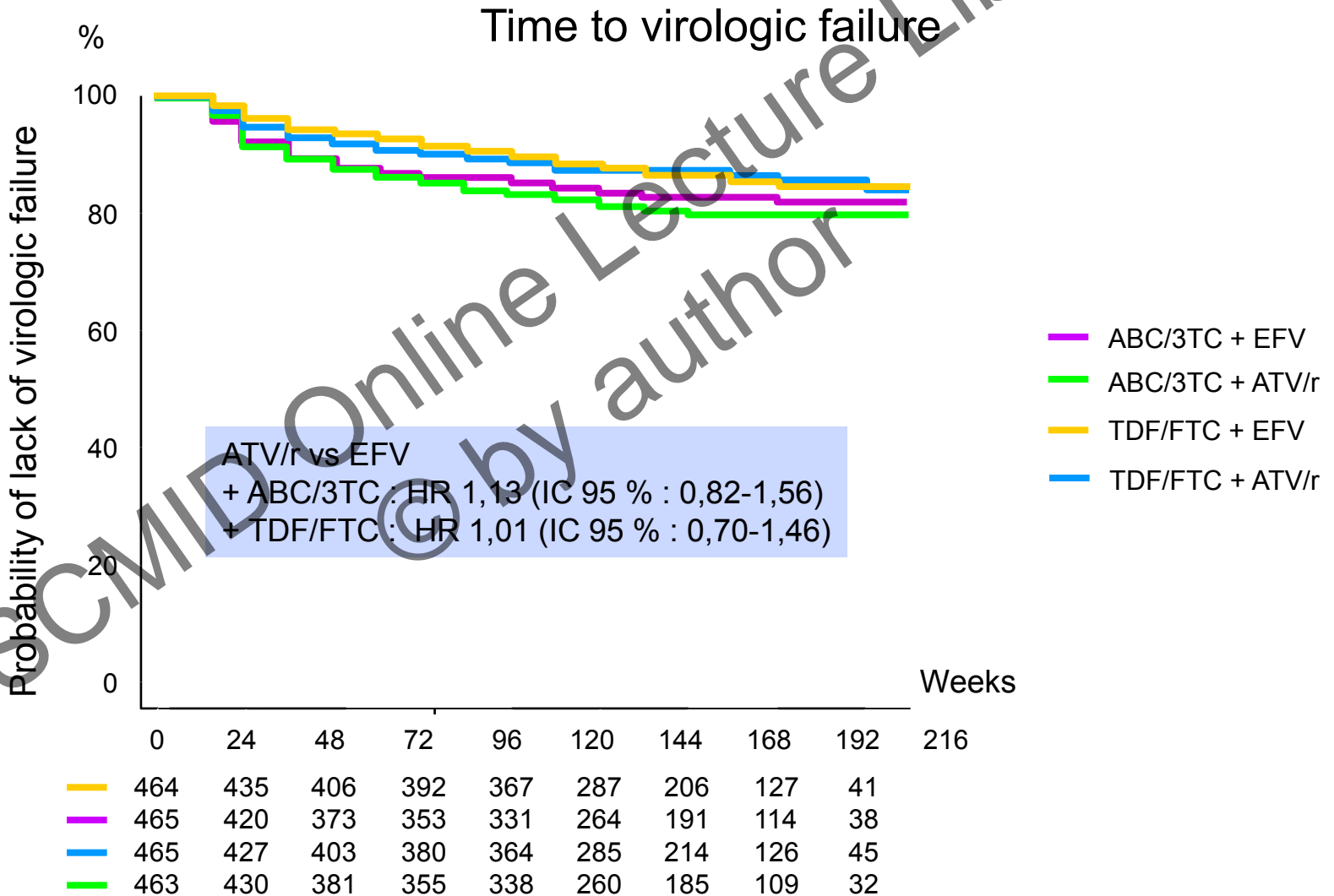
No. at Risk

ABC-3TC	398	363	313	267	222	188	137	87	49	20
TDF-FTC	399	361	321	284	236	204	160	104	65	23

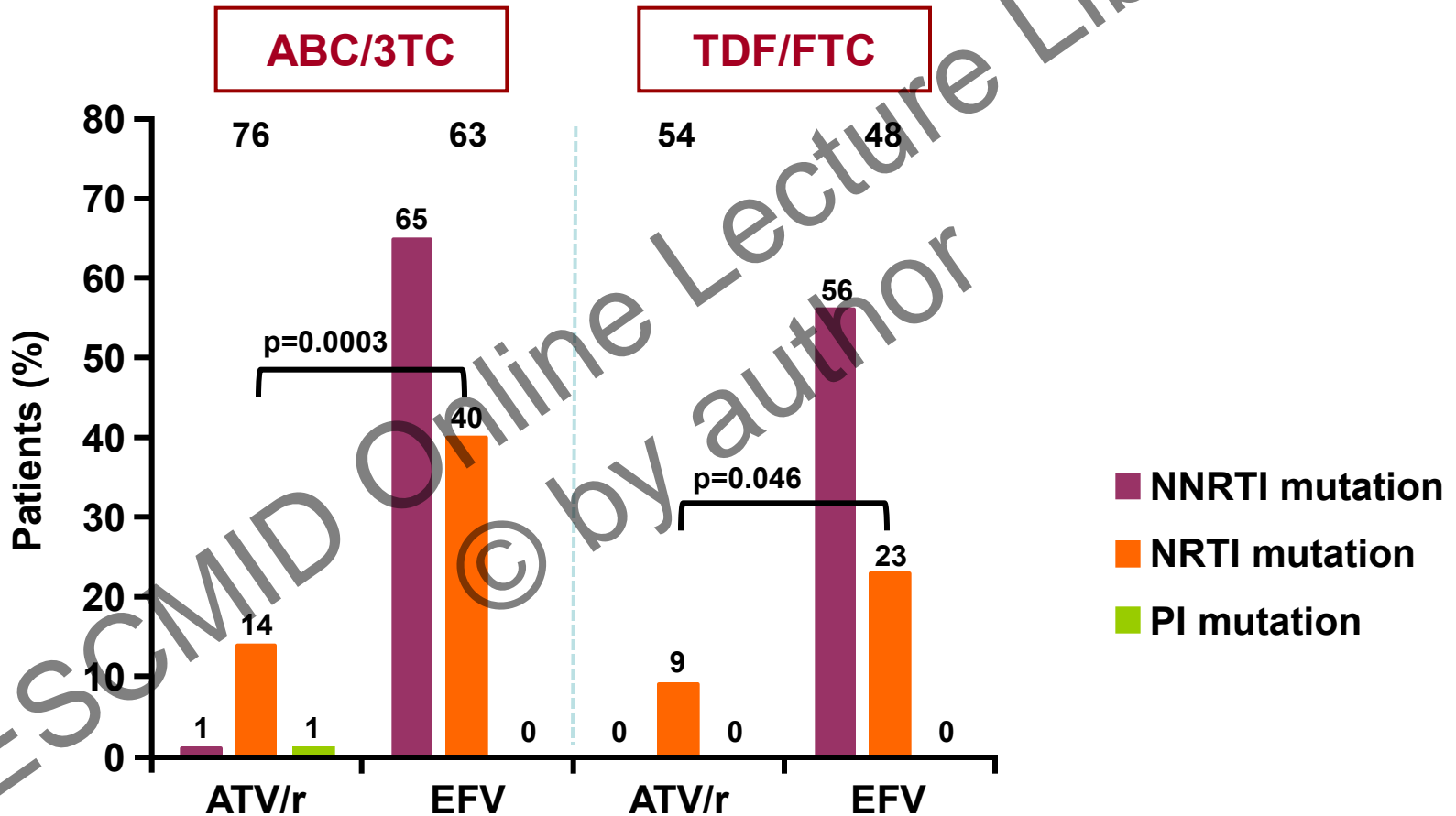
Pros and Cons of TDF/FTC vs ABC/3TC

Regimen	Advantages	Disadvantages
ABC/3TC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High level of efficacy in clinical trials with EFV, DTG or boosted PIs in patients with VL < 100,000 c/mL ▪ No renal toxicity ▪ Will be coformulated with dolutegravir 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inferior response in pts with VL > 100,000 c/mL with EFV or boosted PI ▪ Potential for HSR reaction to ABC which can be avoided by with HLA-B*5701 assay ▪ Association with ↑ risk of MI in some studies
TDF/FTC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High level of efficacy in clinical trials with EFV or boosted PIs in patients with VL > 100,000 c/mL ▪ Coformulated with EFV, EVG, and RPV as STR (single tablet regimen) ▪ Better tolerability than ABC/3TC when combined with EFV ▪ Lower increases in lipids than ABC/3TC ▪ No HSR requiring HLA genotyping 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Long-term nephrotoxicity and tubular toxicity ▪ Bone toxicity

ACTG A5202 : ATV/r vs EFV



A5202: % of VFs with Emergence of Major Resistance Mutations



p values: ATV/r versus EFV (among failures); *Major mutations defined by IAS-USA (2008) list plus T69D, L74I, G190C/E/Q/T/V for RT and L24I, F53L, I54V/A/T/S and G73C/S/T/A for PR
IAS-USA = International AIDS Society-USA

A5257 Study Design*

HIV-infected patients, ≥ 18 yr, with no previous ART,
VL ≥ 1000 c/mL at US Sites

Randomized 1:1:1 to Open Label Therapy
*Stratified by screening HIV-1 RNA level (\geq vs $< 100,000$ c/mL),
A5260s metabolic substudy participation, cardiovascular risk*

**ATV 300 mg QD + RTV 100mg QD
+ FTC/TDF 200/300 mg QD**

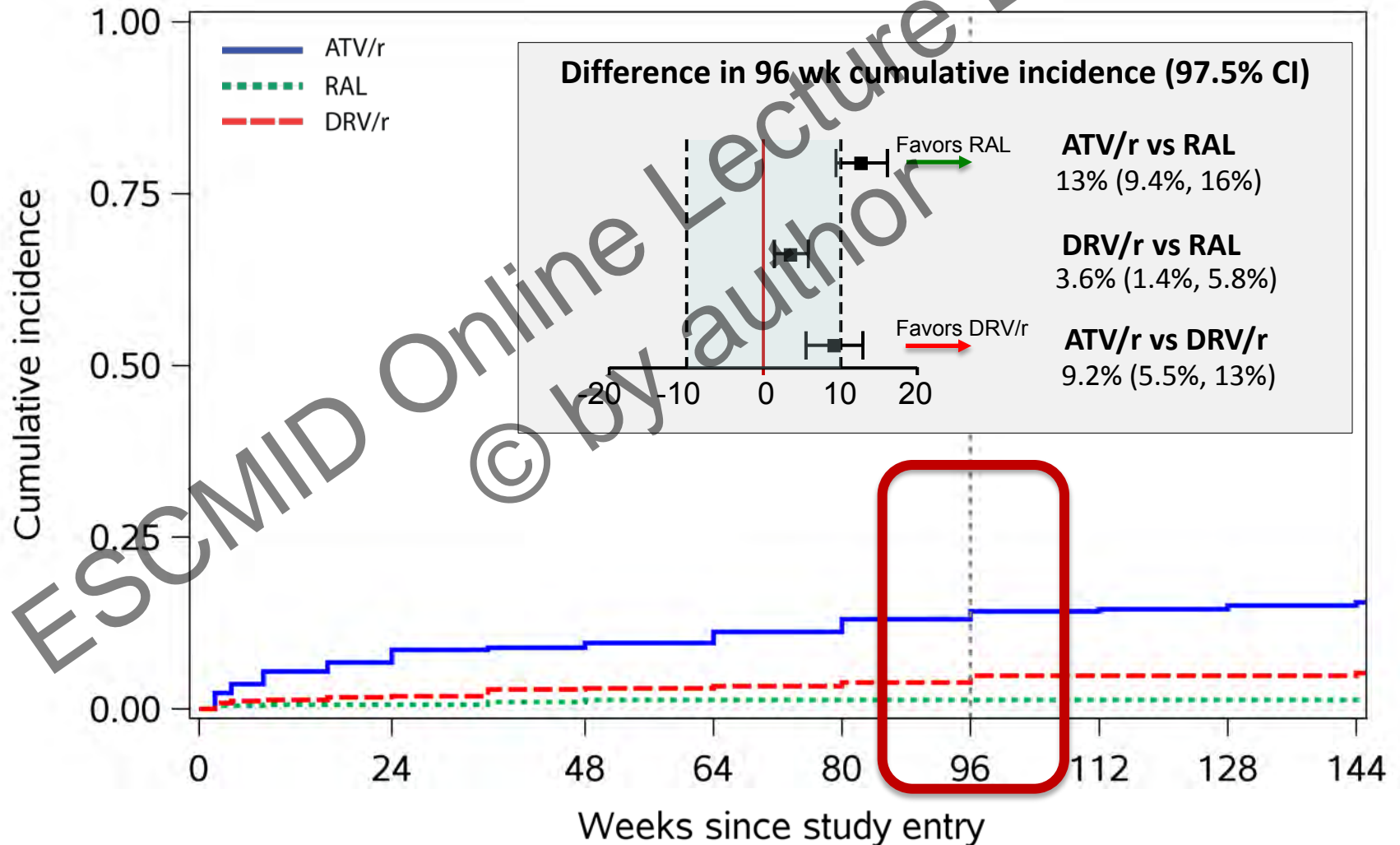
**RAL 400 mg BID +
FTC/TDF 200/300 mg QD**

**DRV 800 mg QD + RTV 100 mg QD
+ FTC/TDF 200/300 mg QD**

Study Conclusion 96 weeks after final participant enrolled

Follow-up continued for 96 weeks after randomization of last subject
(range 2-4 years) regardless of status on randomized ART

Cumulative Incidence of Tolerability Failure



Pros and Cons of NNRTIs vs PIs vs INSTIs

Regimen	Advantages	Disadvantages
NNRTIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Low pill burden (STR) ▪ Low cost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Genotypic resistance test required before treatment ▪ Low genetic barrier to resistance ▪ Tolerability issues with EFV/NVP ▪ Only active against HIV-1
PIs/r	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High genetic barrier to resistance ▪ No genotypic resistance test required before starting Rx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Drug-drug interactions ▪ Higher pill burden ▪ Triglyceride elevation ▪ Increase in TDF exposure ▪ Cost
INSTIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Good tolerability profile ▪ Limited drug drug interaction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Genotypic resistance test required before treatment ▪ Low genetic barrier to resistance ▪ Cost

Generic Drugs for HIV Therapy

- Drugs available (50% discount)

- NRTIs :

- AZT

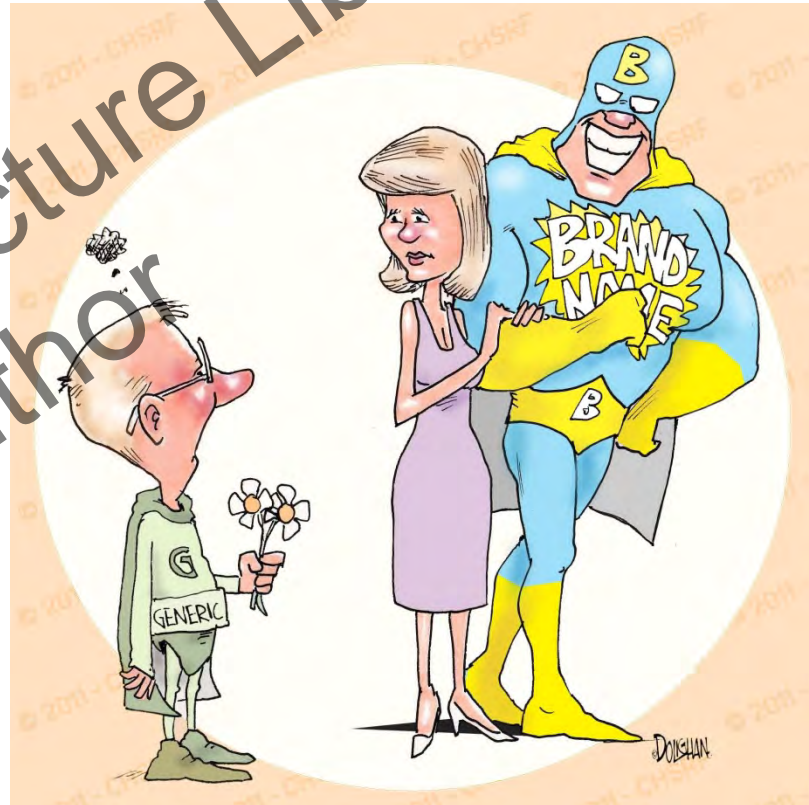
- 3TC

- NNRTIs

- Nevirapine

- EFV

- Will we break STR to use QD or BID regimens ?



Conclusions

- Antiretroviral therapy has improved and is still improving providing patients more effective and convenient regimens
- More patients are likely to receive treatment not only for their own health, but also to prevent transmission to their partners
- Multiple treatment options are available today, and the choice is mainly driven by
 - Early and long-term tolerability,
 - Convenience of the regimen (fixed combinations)
 - Cost



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