



# HIV Drug Resistance

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# Causes of antiretroviral failure

## Host-related factors

- Advanced disease
- Low CD4 count
- High viral load
- Poor immune function
- Genetics

## Suboptimal drug levels

- Incomplete adherence
- Unfavourable PK
- Drug-drug interactions

## Poor drug potency

Infection with drug-resistant virus

**Persistent virus replication**

**Emergence and evolution of drug resistance**

**Drug pressure**

# Long-term implications of antiretroviral resistance

- Accumulation of drug resistance reduces effective, well tolerated and less expensive treatment options
  - *Multi-drug resistance linked to increased morbidity and mortality<sup>1</sup>*
- Comprehensive long-term management of HIV infected patients must strive to minimize drug resistance as a key goal

# Antiretroviral resistance: *Themes*

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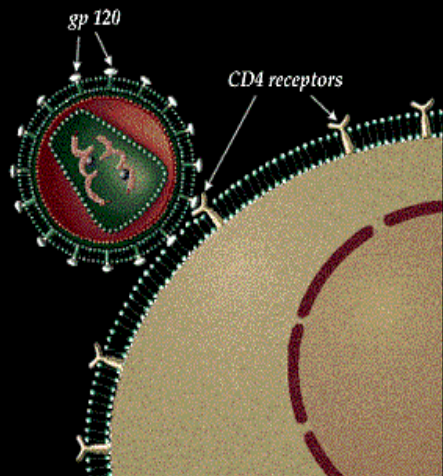
- **Mechanisms & Principles**
- **Clinical implications**

# Definition of antiretroviral resistance

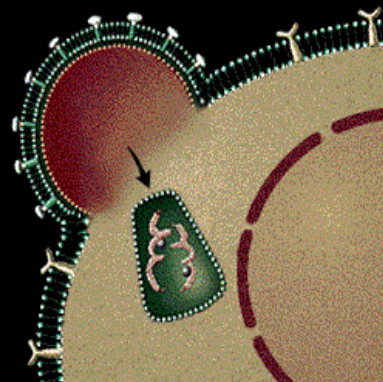
- Changes in the viral genetic sequence (mutations) that confer drug resistance - ***genotypic resistance***
- Commonly reduce drug susceptibility compared with the susceptibility of wild-type viruses - ***phenotypic resistance***

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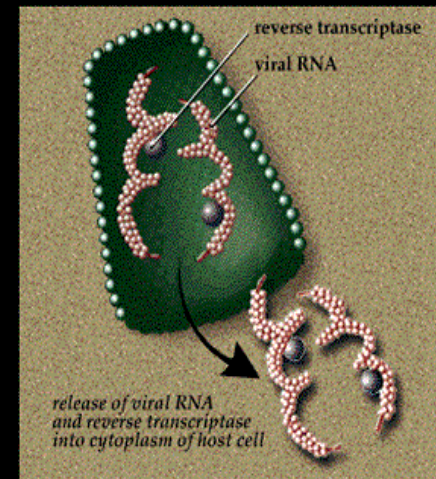
- Changes in the molecular target of therapy (detected in routine tests)
- Changes in other viral proteins (e.g., Gag) that indirectly interfere with drug activity (more difficult to detect)



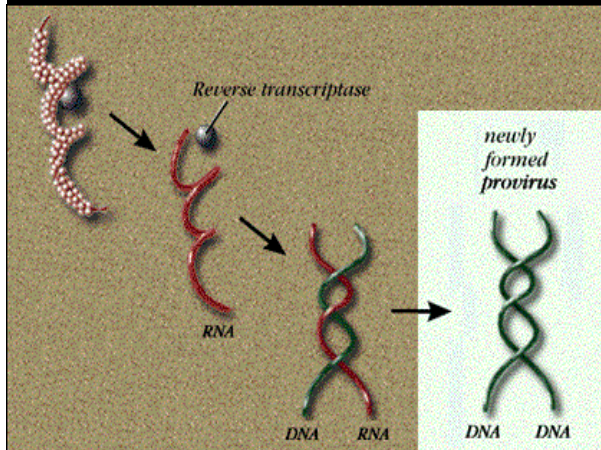
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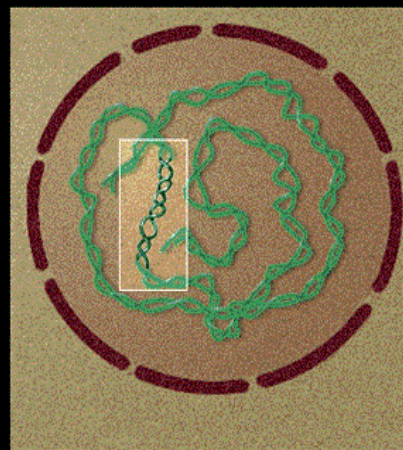
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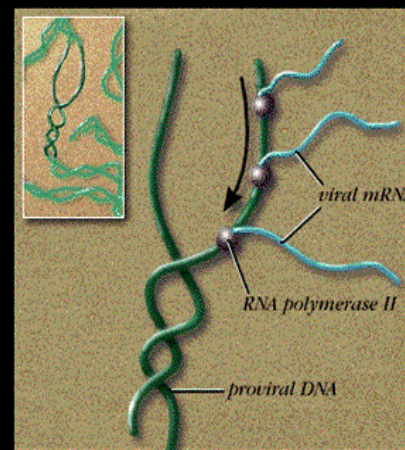
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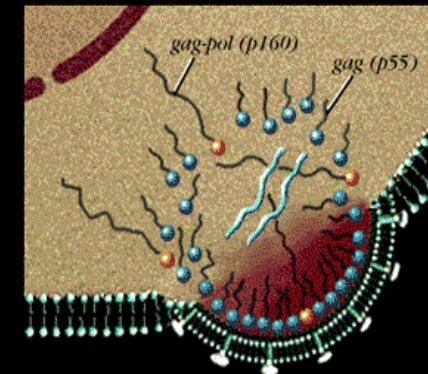
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**Integration**

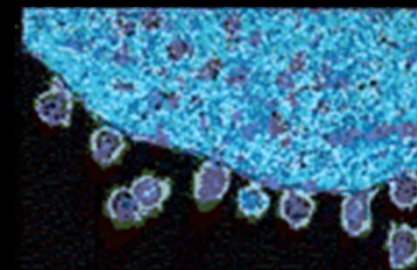


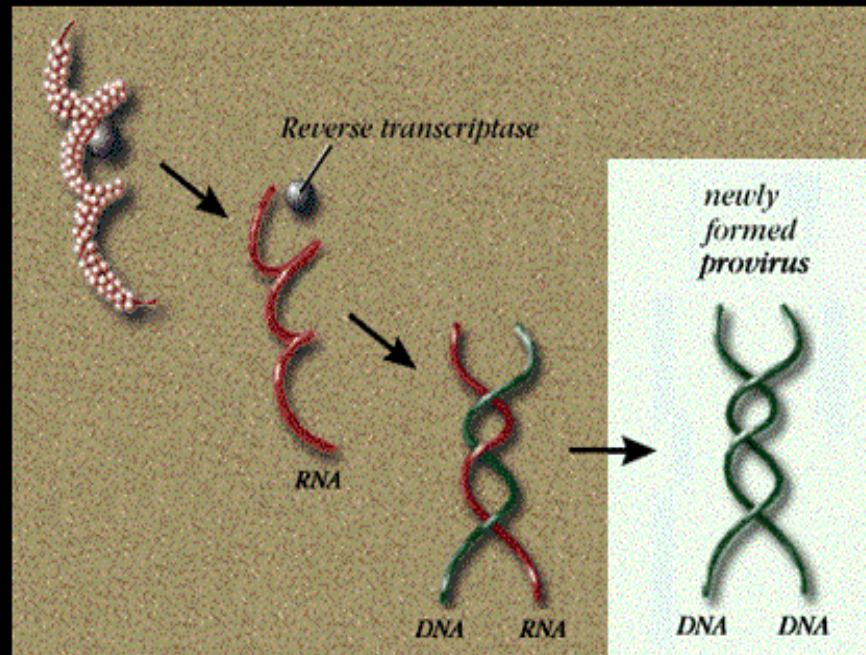
**Transcription**



**Assembly**

**Maturation and budding**





## ➤ Mechanisms of genetic evolution

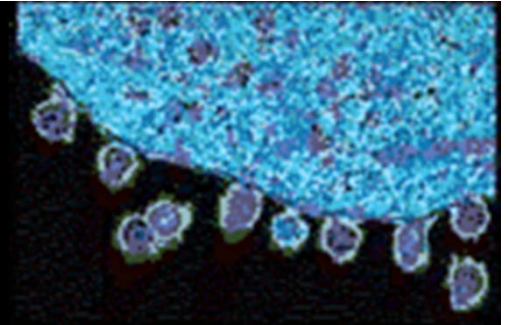
### 1. Rapid evolution through point mutations

- RT error rate: ~1 per genome round
- Replication rate:  $10^9$ - $10^{10}$  virus particles daily
- *All possible mutations generated daily*

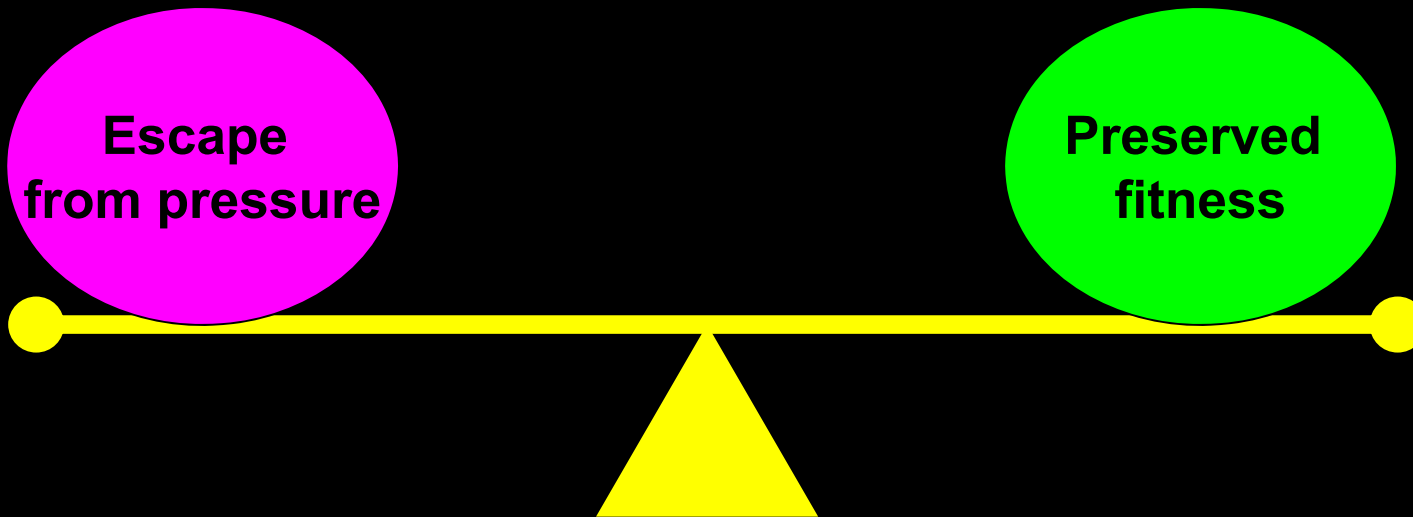
### 2. Genetic evolution through recombination

- Recombination rate: 7-30 per genome round

- rapid turnover
- rapid adaptation

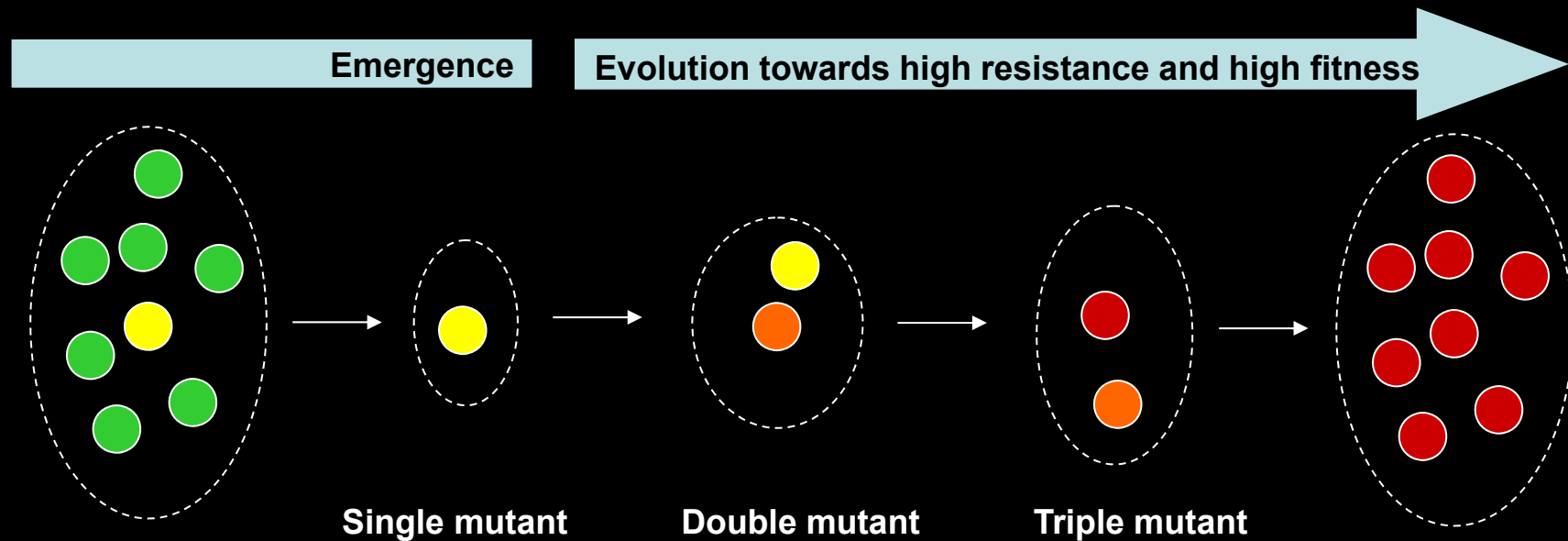


## *Dominant quasispecies*



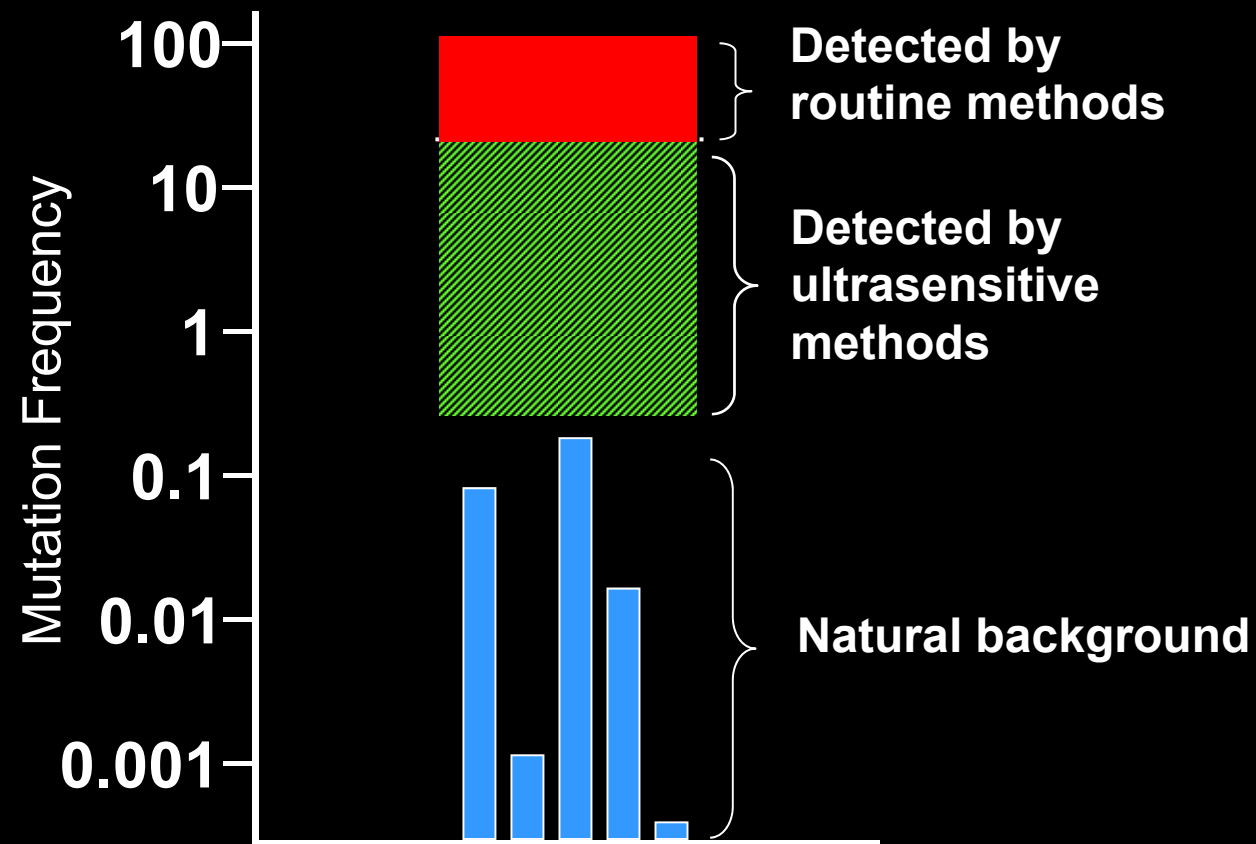


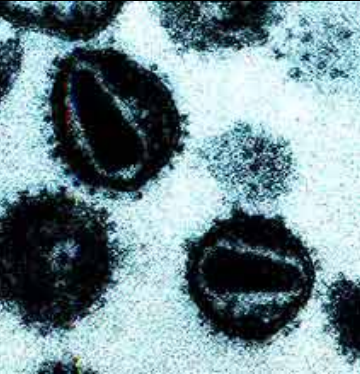
# Emergence and evolution of resistance



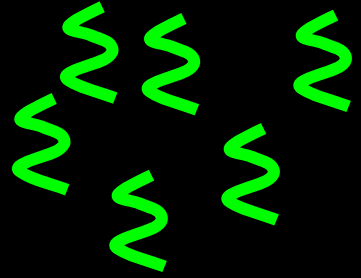
- Increasing resistance and cross-resistance
- Accumulation of mutations on the same viral genome
- Compensatory changes that restore fitness

# Detection of resistant mutants





PCR



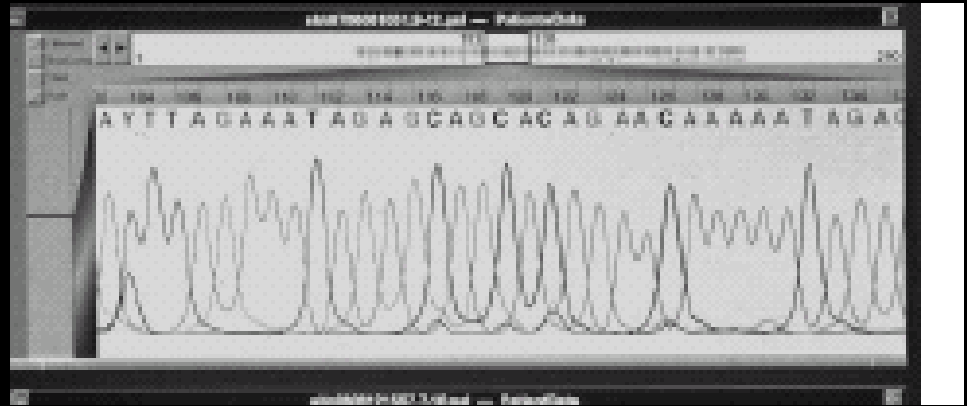
PR and RT

HIV RNA

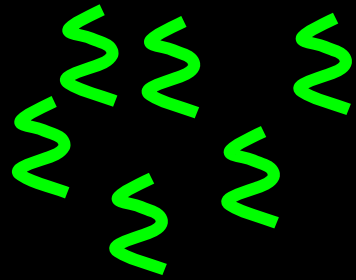
Plasma

Sequencing

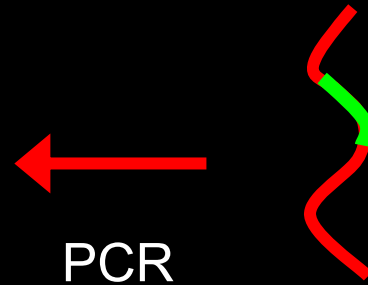
Mutations



RT M184V  
Methionine → Valine  
@ codon 184 of RT

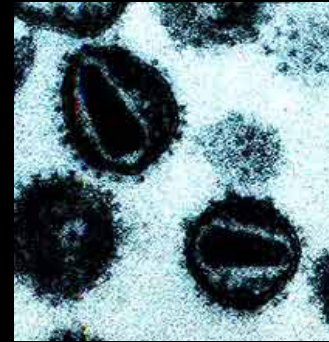


PR/RT Genes



PCR

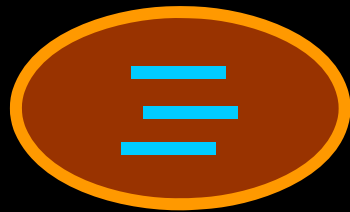
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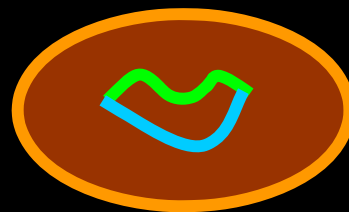
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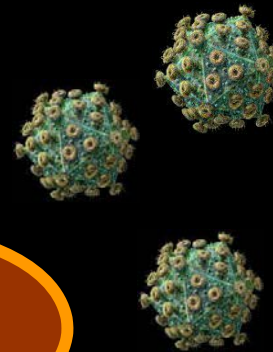
Culture with escalating drug concentrations



Laboratory HIV vector (PR/RT-)



Infectious HIV

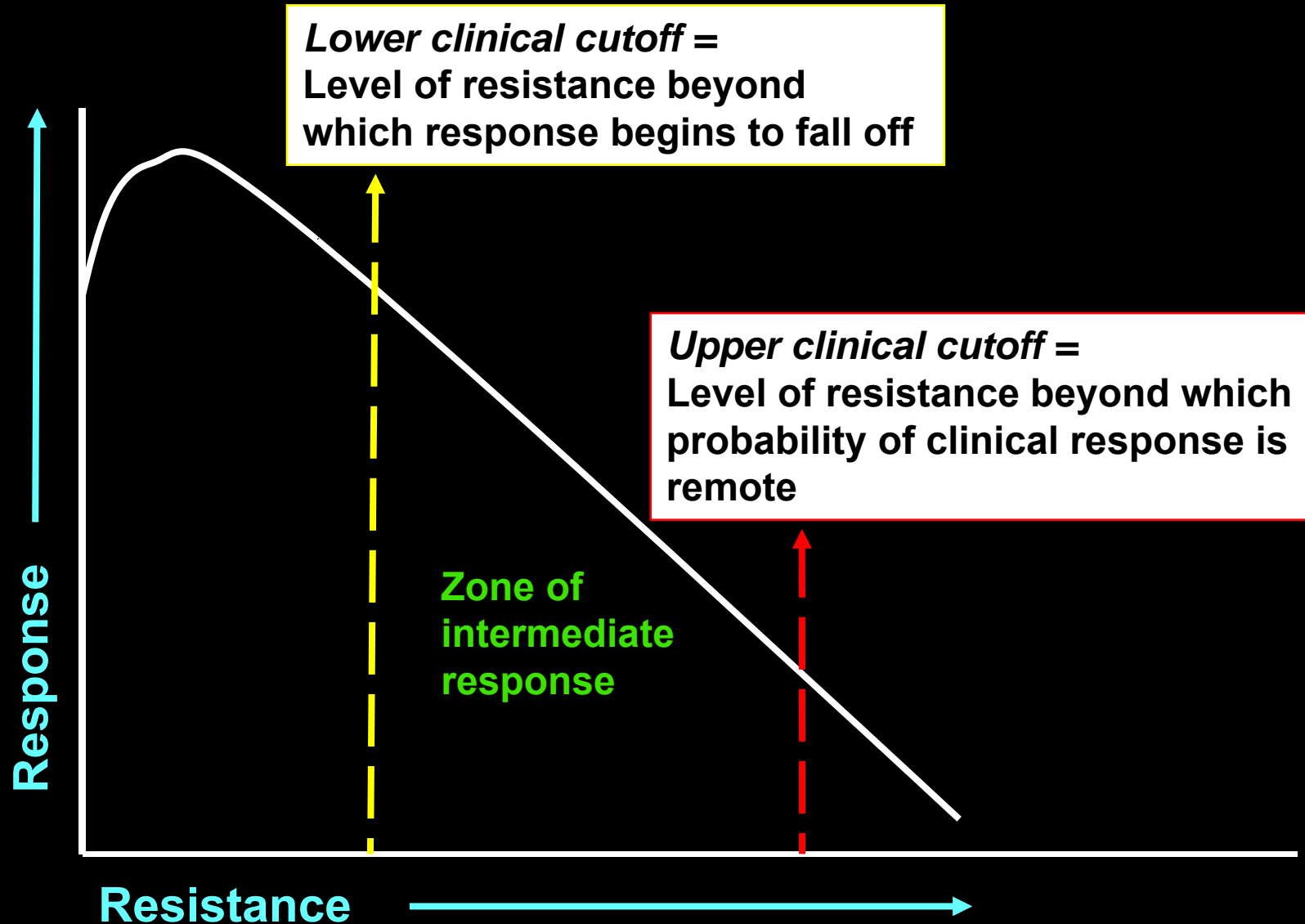


Fold-changes in  $IC_{50}$  relative to wild-type

M184V = >100 FC for 3TC

K65R = 1.8 FC for TDF

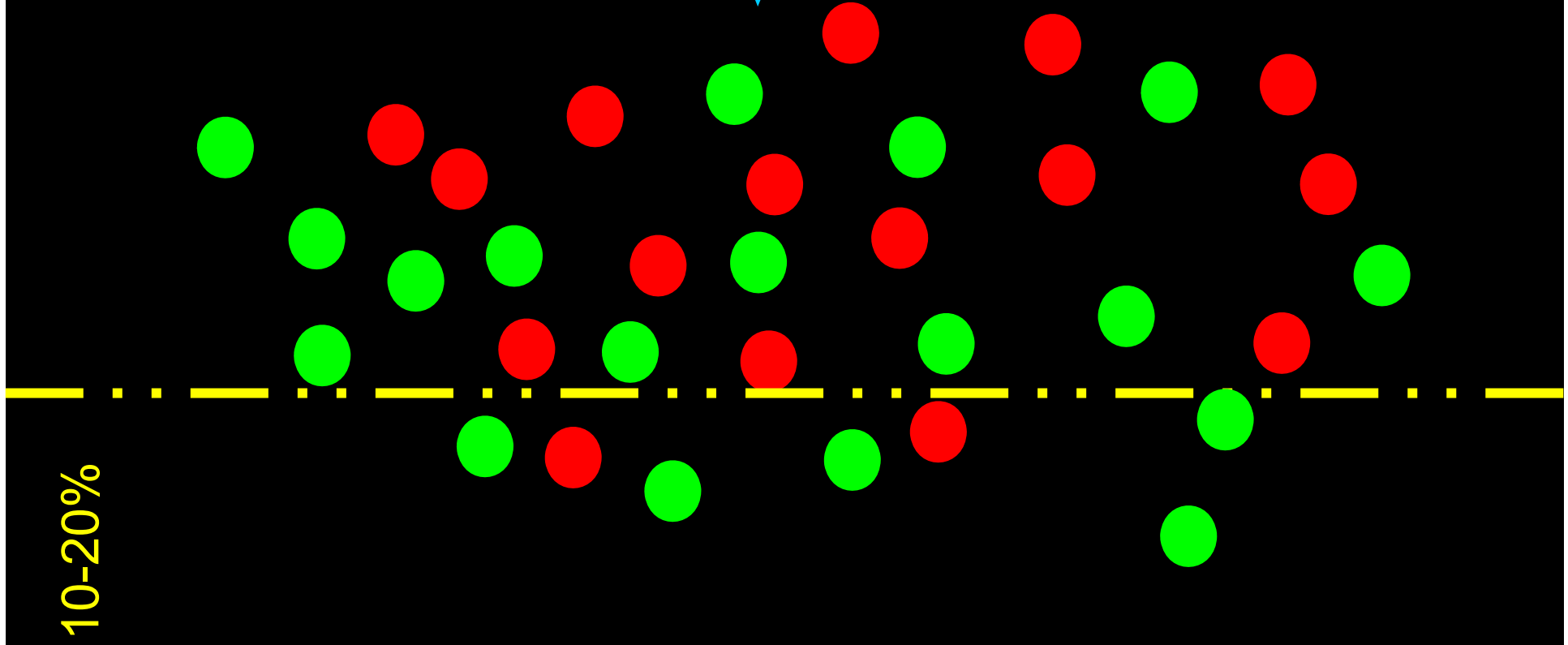
# Clinical cut-offs



● Resistant virus

● Wild-type virus

Drug  
pressure



# Principles of resistance

- Drug-resistant mutants are **selected** (not created) by drug pressure if virological suppression is incomplete
- Ongoing virus replication under drug pressure leads to the further **evolution** of resistance and cross-resistance
- Resistant mutants often display reduced **fitness** but compensatory changes emerge over time that partially restore virus fitness
- If therapy is discontinued resistant mutants disappear from the dominant quasispecies, **persisting** as minority species and archived resistance in latently infected cells

## Clinical implications

- Continuing a failing treatment can be deleterious
  - *Use only for patients lacking effective treatment options*
  - *Judicious selection of drugs with expert advice*
  - *Maintain for the shortest period possible pending the availability of new treatment options*
- In treated persons, resistance test results obtained after therapy is discontinued are not reliable
- Resistance is long-lasting, even if undetectable
- Resistance results must be interpreted in the context of the patient's treatment history



## Cross-resistance potential

- NRTIs *significant to complete*
- NNRTIs *complete for NVP and EFV*
- PIs *significant with multiple mutations*
- Entry Inhibitors *complete for MRC and VRC*
- Integrase Inhibitors *complete for RAL and ELV*

# HAART regimens have a different genetic barrier to the emergence of resistance

*Defined by:*  
*Speed of emergence of resistance*  
*No. mutations required to compromise drug activity*

**2NRTI PI/r**

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**3TC ZDV NNRTI**

**3TC ABC ZDV**

**3TC ABC EFV**

**3TC/FTC TDF EFV**

**TDF 3TC ABC**

**TDF 3TC ddI**

**ABC ddI d4T**

**TDF ddI EFV**

**TDF 3TC NVP?**

*Function of:*

- *Inhibitor/Target interactions*

- *Affinity*

- *Fitness*

*cost*

- *Concentration of the*

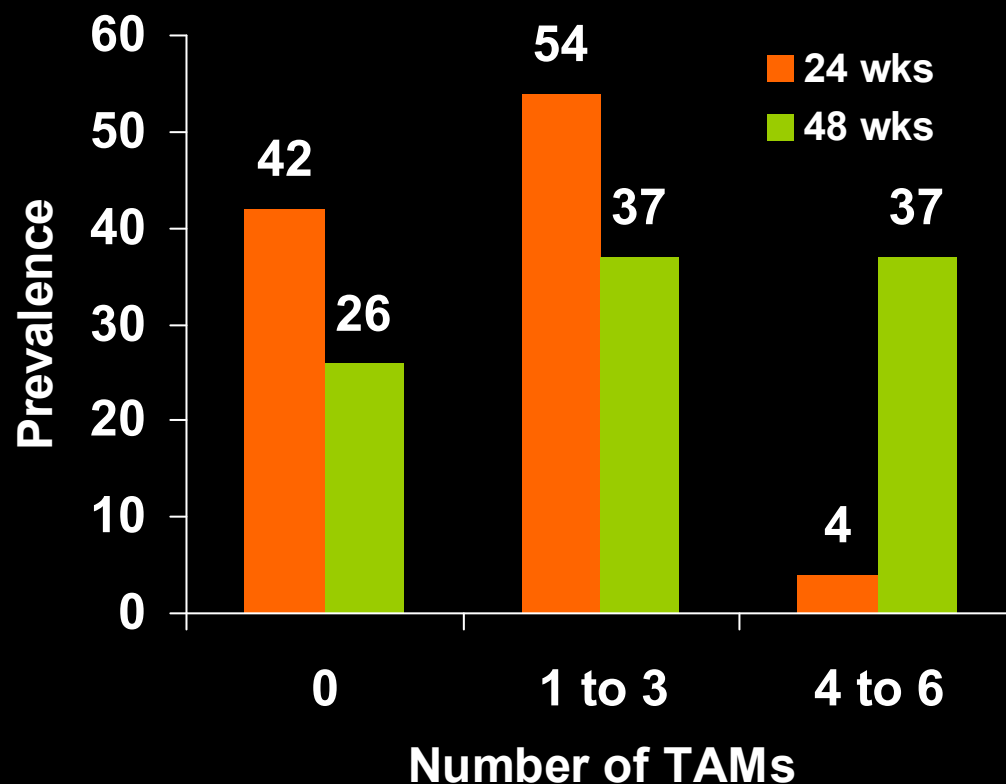
*drug*

# Resistance in clinical trials of first-line HAART wk 48

Study	Number	Regimen		n	NRTI-R (%)		3 <sup>rd</sup> drug-R (%)
GS934	<u>257</u>	TDF FTC	EFV	12	FTC	17	75
					TDF	0	
GS934	<u>254</u>	ZDV 3TC	EFV	23	3TC	30	70
					ZDV	4	
CNA30021	<u>770</u>	ABC 3TC	EFV	38	3TC	47	58
					ABC	21	
GS903	<u>299</u>	TDF 3TC	EFV	29	3TC	41	55
					TDF	24	
CNA30024	<u>324</u>	ABC 3TC	EFV	13	3TC	31	38
					ABC	8	
ABT418	<u>190</u>	TDF FTC	LPV/r	15	3TC	20	0
					TDF	0	
SOLO	<u>322</u>	ABC 3TC	FPV/r	32	3TC	12	0
					ABC	0	

## Prevalence of TAMs in patients receiving ZDV/3TC/TDF in Uganda and Zimbabwe in the absence of viral load monitoring (DART)

- ▶ Resistance test results available in subset of patients with viral load >1000 c/ml at wk 24 (n=26/43) and wk 48 (n=35/64)



Carla, 31 yr  
Δ Nov 1999

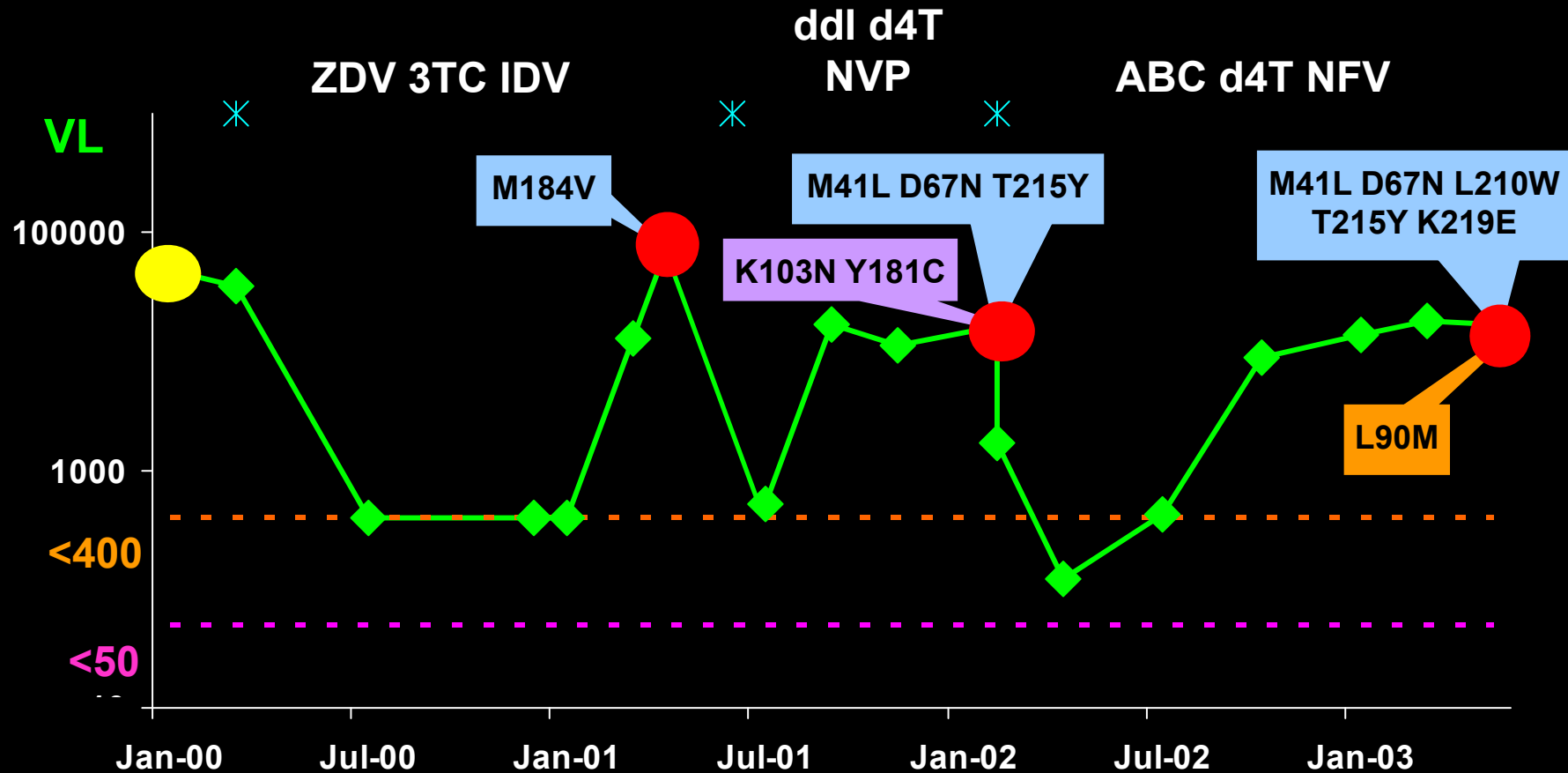
● Wild-type sequence  
● Resistant mutant

M184V: 3TC and FTC

TAMs [M41L, D67N, K70R, L210W, T215Y/F K219Q/E]: ZDV, d4T, ddi, ABC, TDF

K103N Y181C: NNRTIs

L90M: PIs

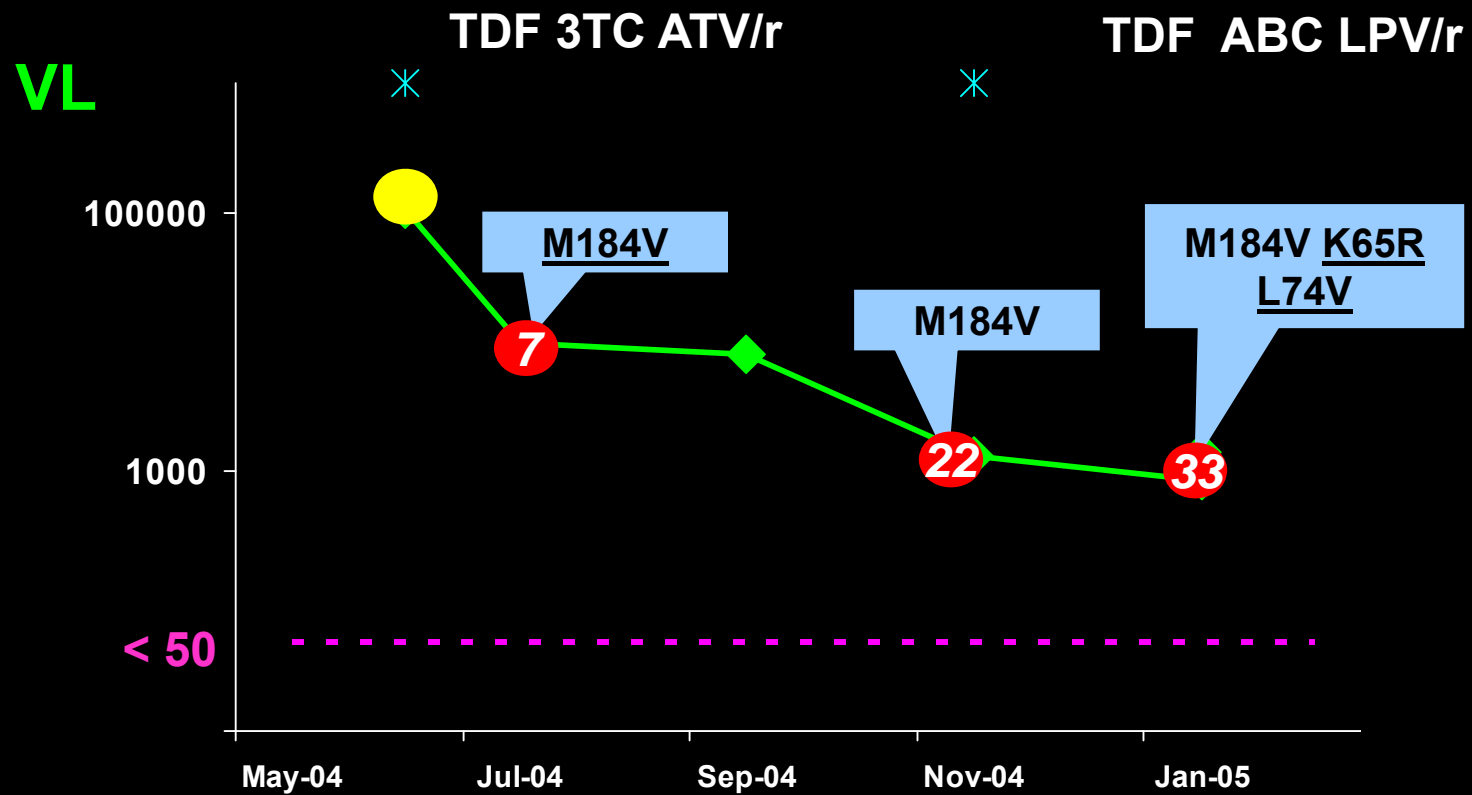


## Can we predict emerging resistance during failure of first-line NNRTI-based therapy?

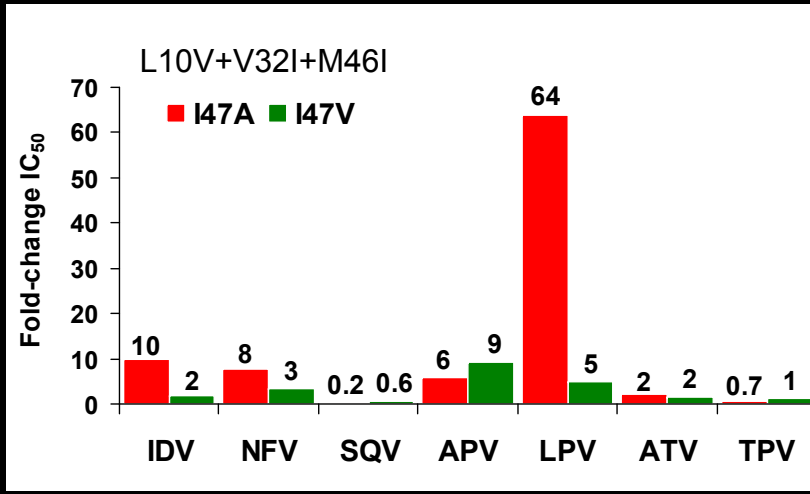
Regimen	Detection	Drugs affected
• ZDV 3TC NNRTI	Early	3TC, NVP, EFV
• ZDV 3TC NNRTI	Late	+ ZDV, d4T, ABC > ddl, TDF
• d4T 3TC NNRTI	Early	3TC, NVP, EFV
• d4T 3TC NNRTI	Late	+ ZDV, d4T, ABC > ddl, TDF
• ABC 3TC NNRTI	Early	3TC, NVP, EFV
• ABC 3TC NNRTI	Intermediate	+ ABC, ddl
• ABC 3TC NNRTI	Late	+ TDF, d4T
• TDF FTC NNRTI	Early	3TC, NVP, EFV
• TDF FTC NNRTI	Intermediate	+ TDF, ABC, ddl, d4T

Gareth, 44 yr  
Δ May 2000

- Wild-type sequence
- Resistant mutant

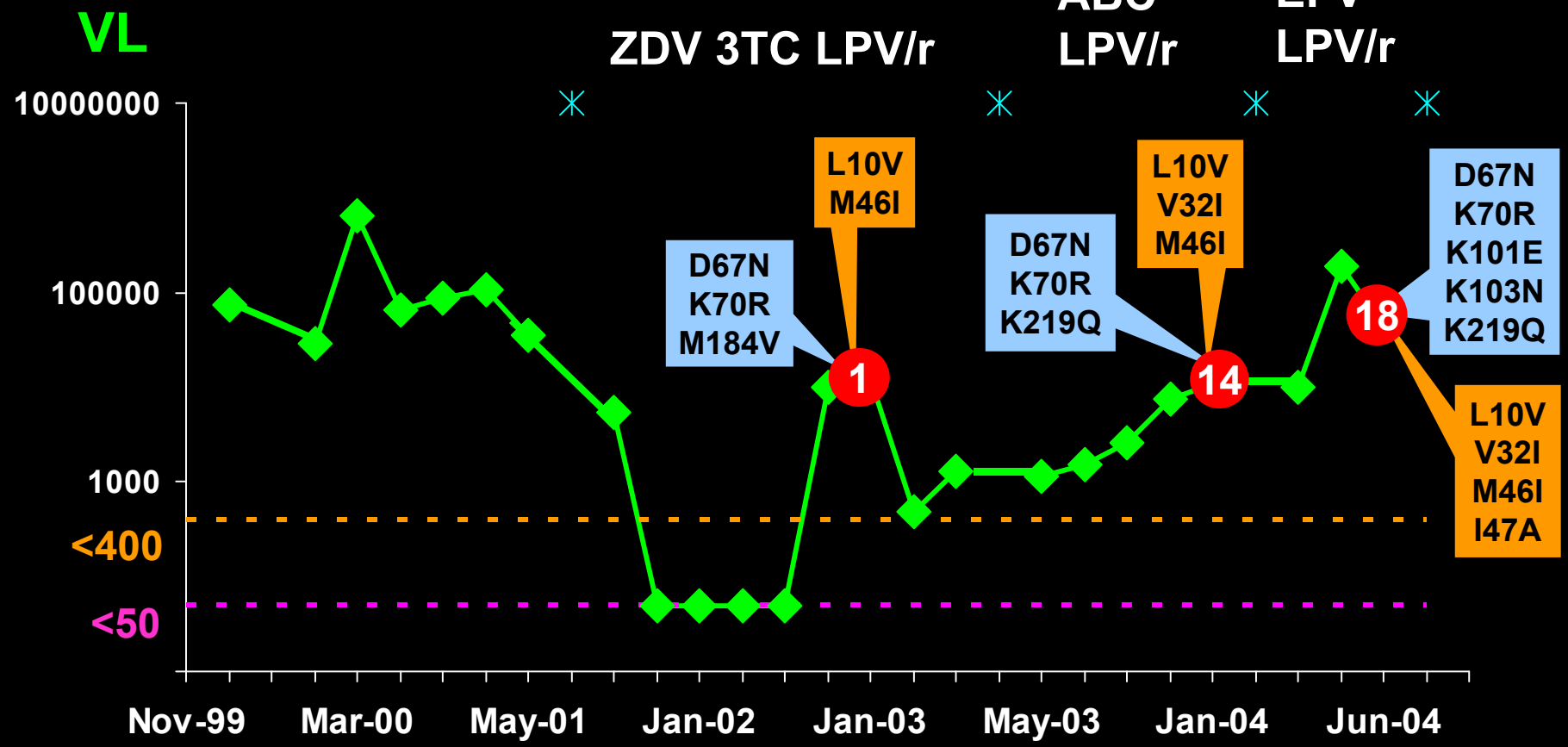


Paolo, 36 yr  
 Δ Mar 95



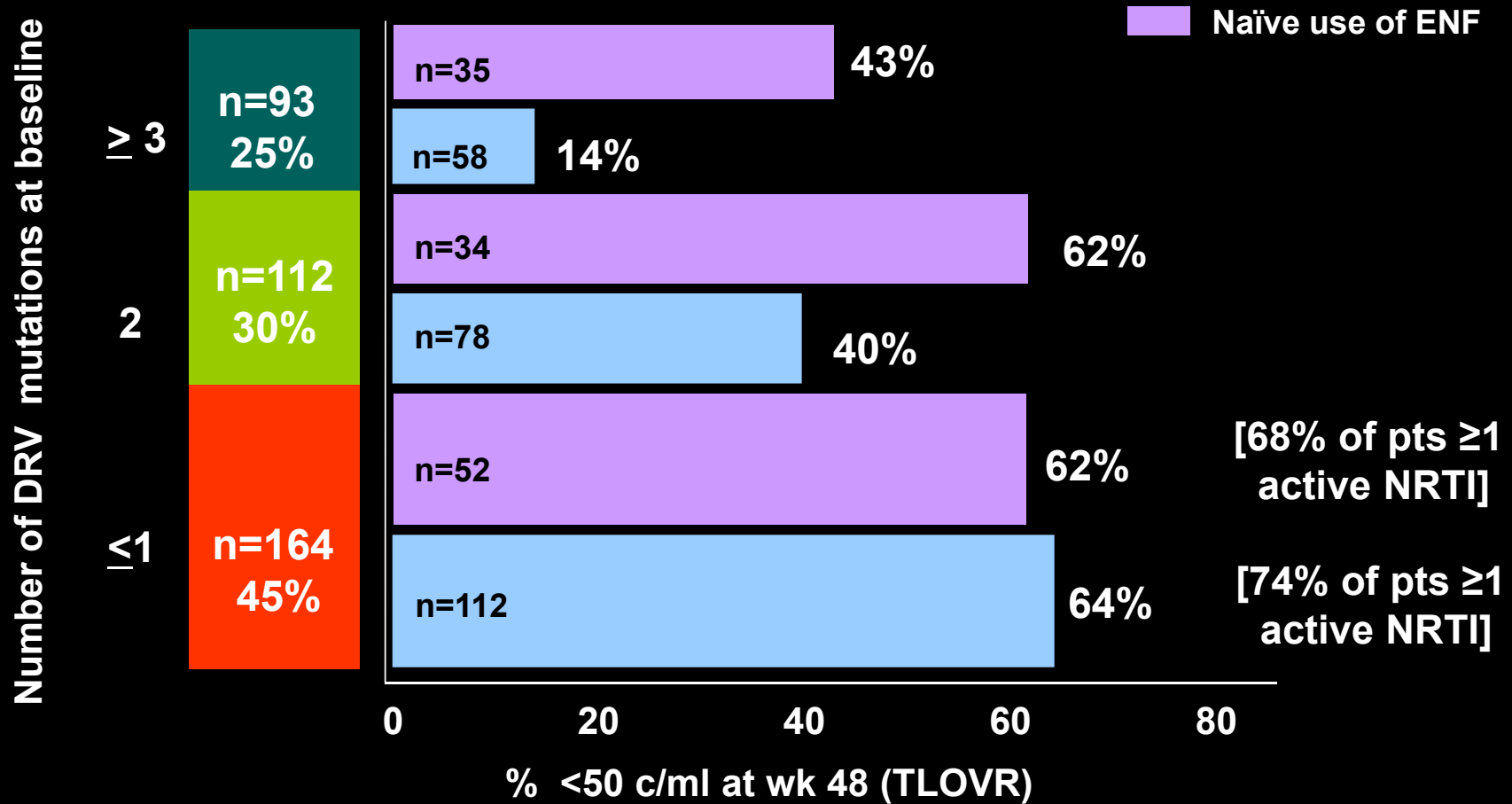
TDF  
 d4T  
 ABC  
 LPV/r

TDF  
 EFV  
 LPV/r





# POWER: Virological response by baseline number of DRV/r mutations\*

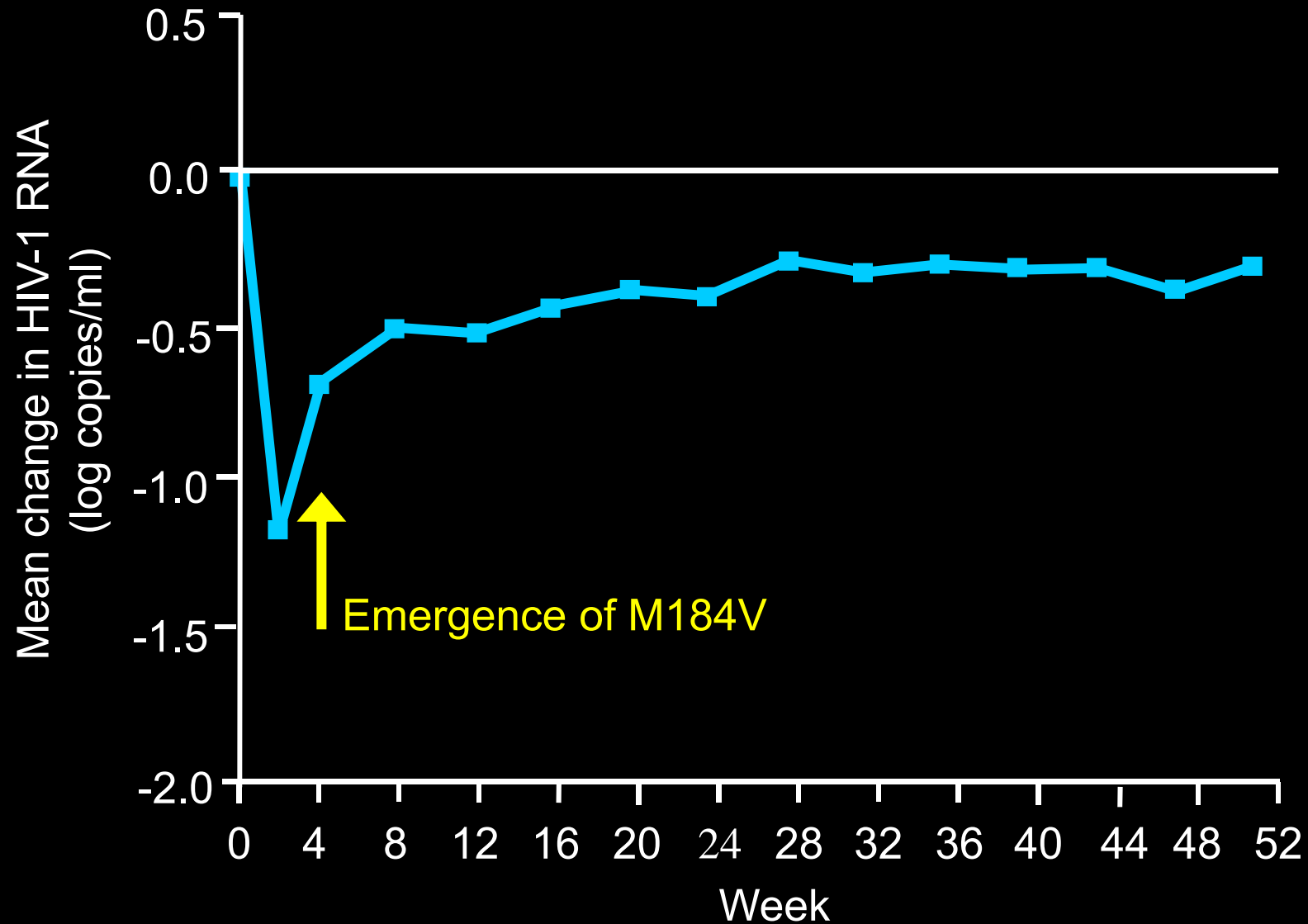


\* V11I V32I L33F I47V I50V I54L/M G73S L76V I84V L89V

All DRV/r 600/100 mg bd

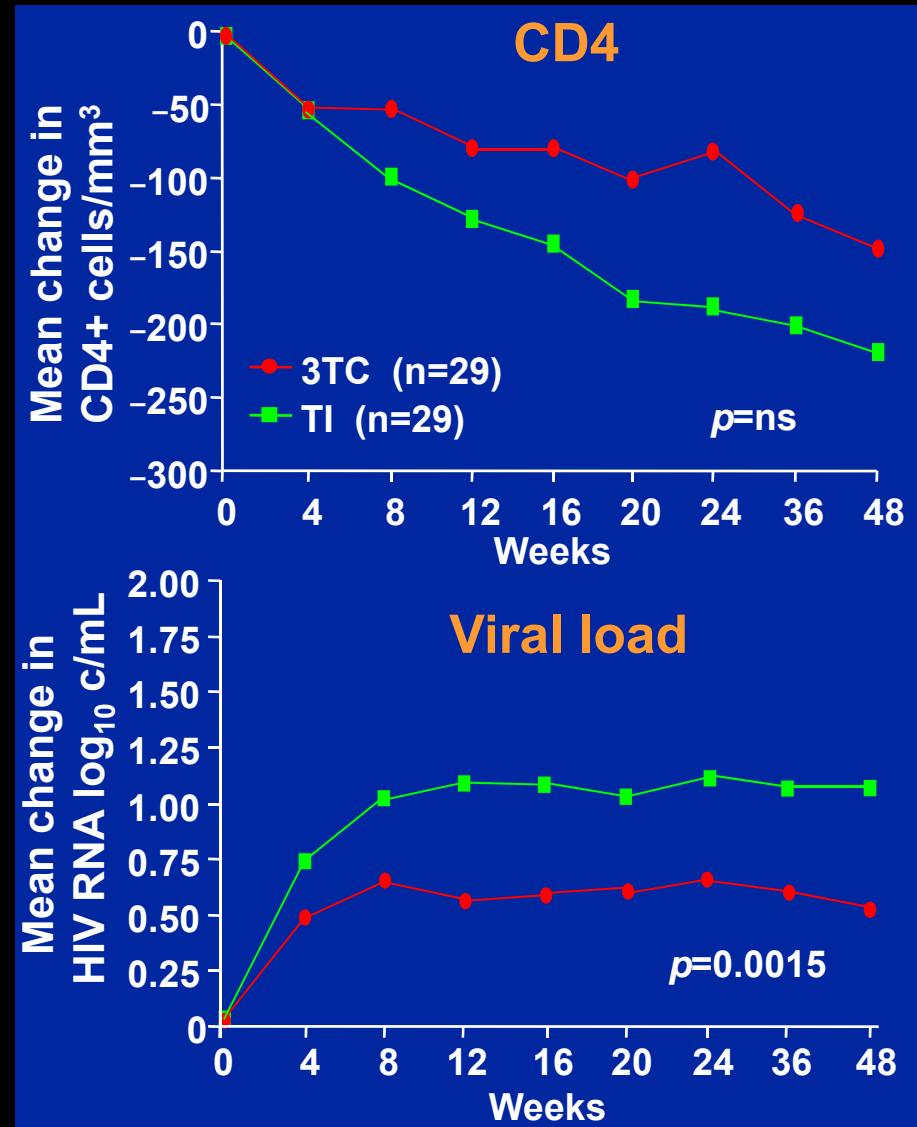
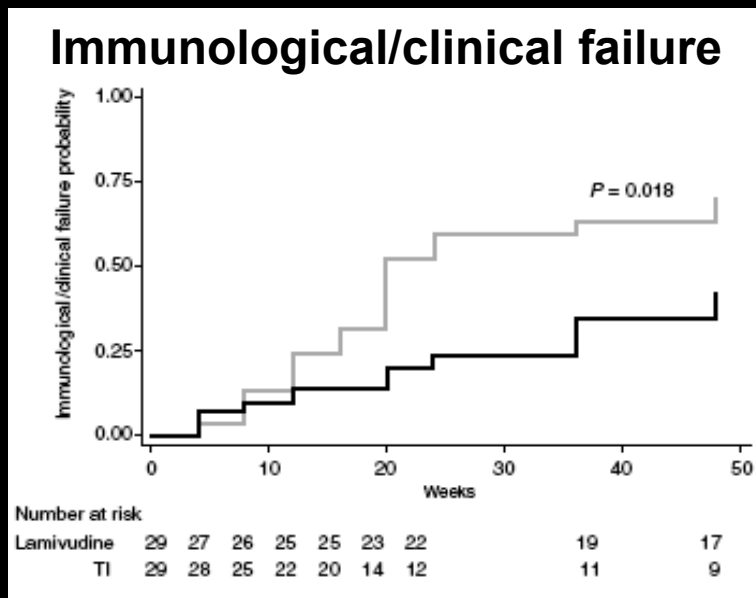
Adapted from Cohen, 44<sup>th</sup> IDSA 2006

## Viral load reduction during 3TC monotherapy (NUCA3001)



# 3TC monotherapy vs treatment interruption (TI) in patients with resistance [M184V]

- Open-label study
- Patients on 3TC-based therapy with VL>1000, CD4 >500, M184V
- Randomized to 3TC or TI



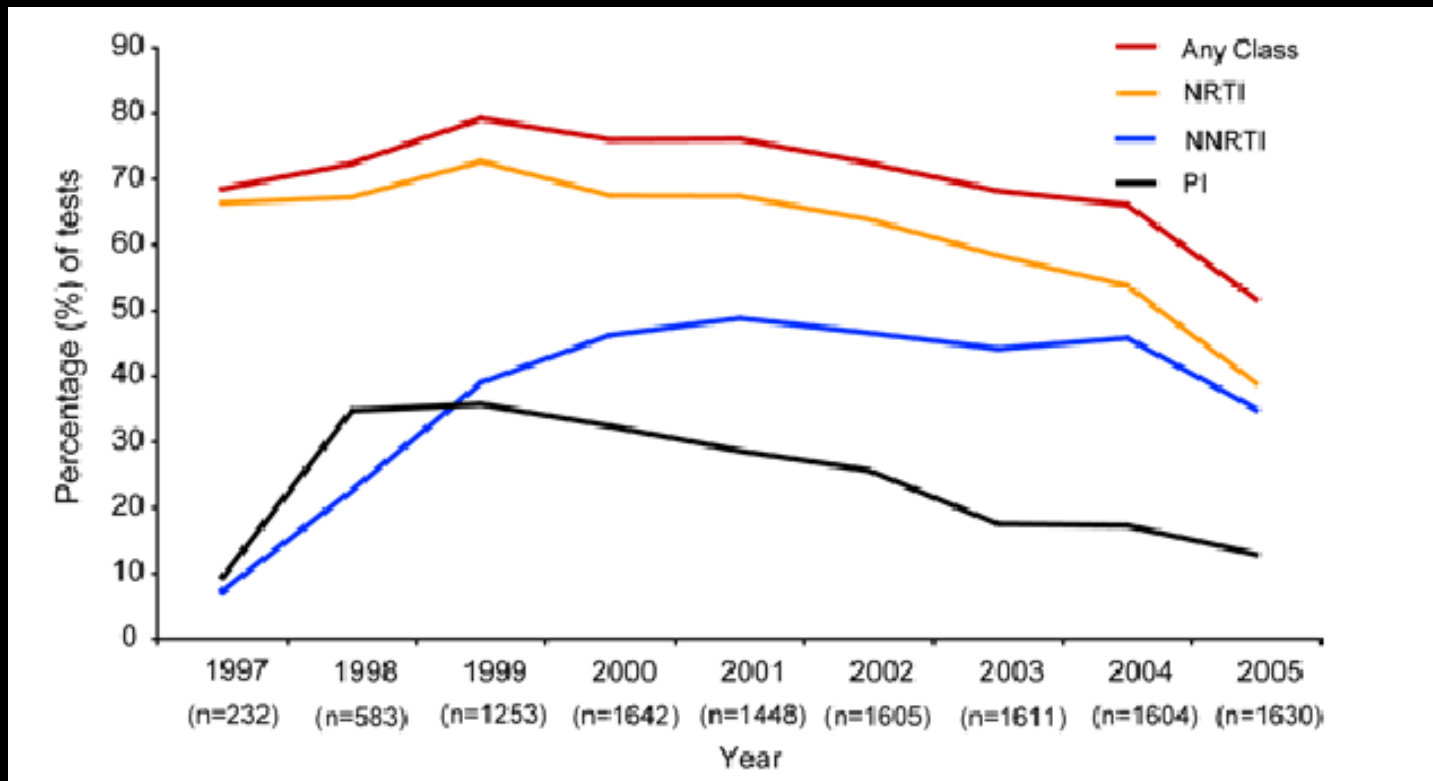
## Clinical implications

- Resistance to most NRTIs and PIs is a continuum
- Increasing PI exposure can overcome low to intermediate levels of resistance
- Intermediate levels of drug activity can play an important part in a successful drug regimen
- Resistance can sometimes result in a clinical benefit
  - Mechanisms include:
    - *Residual antiviral activity*
    - *Reduced viral fitness*
    - *Immunological benefit*
    - *Hypersusceptibility effects*

## **Summary: Determinants of drug resistance in treated patients**

- **Adherence**
- **Suboptimal drug levels**
- **Poor drug potency**
- **Previous mono or dual therapy**
- **Genetic barrier of regimen**
- **Frequency of monitoring**
- **Management of treatment failure**
- **Detection method**
- **Infection with resistant virus**

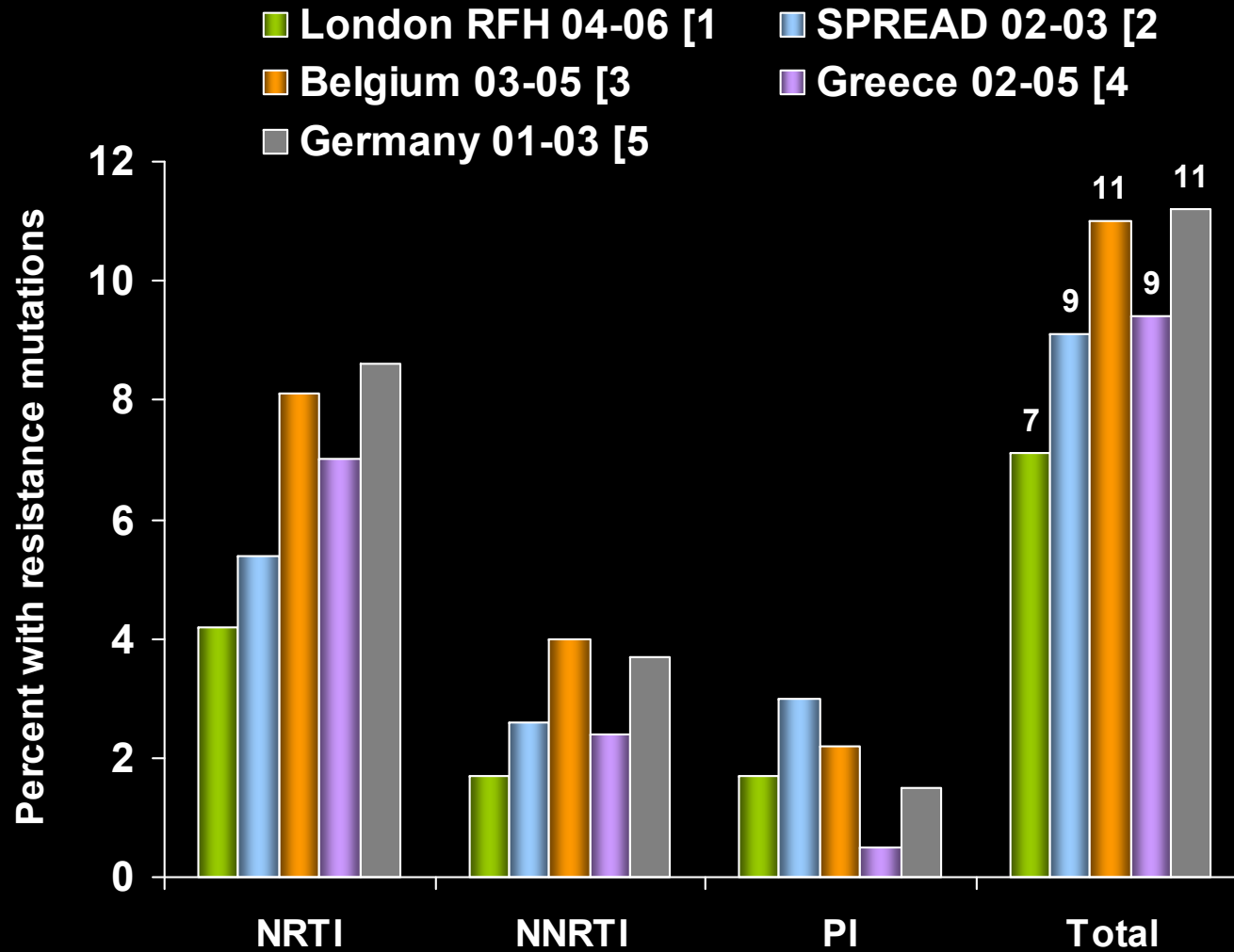
# Trends in treatment-associated resistance



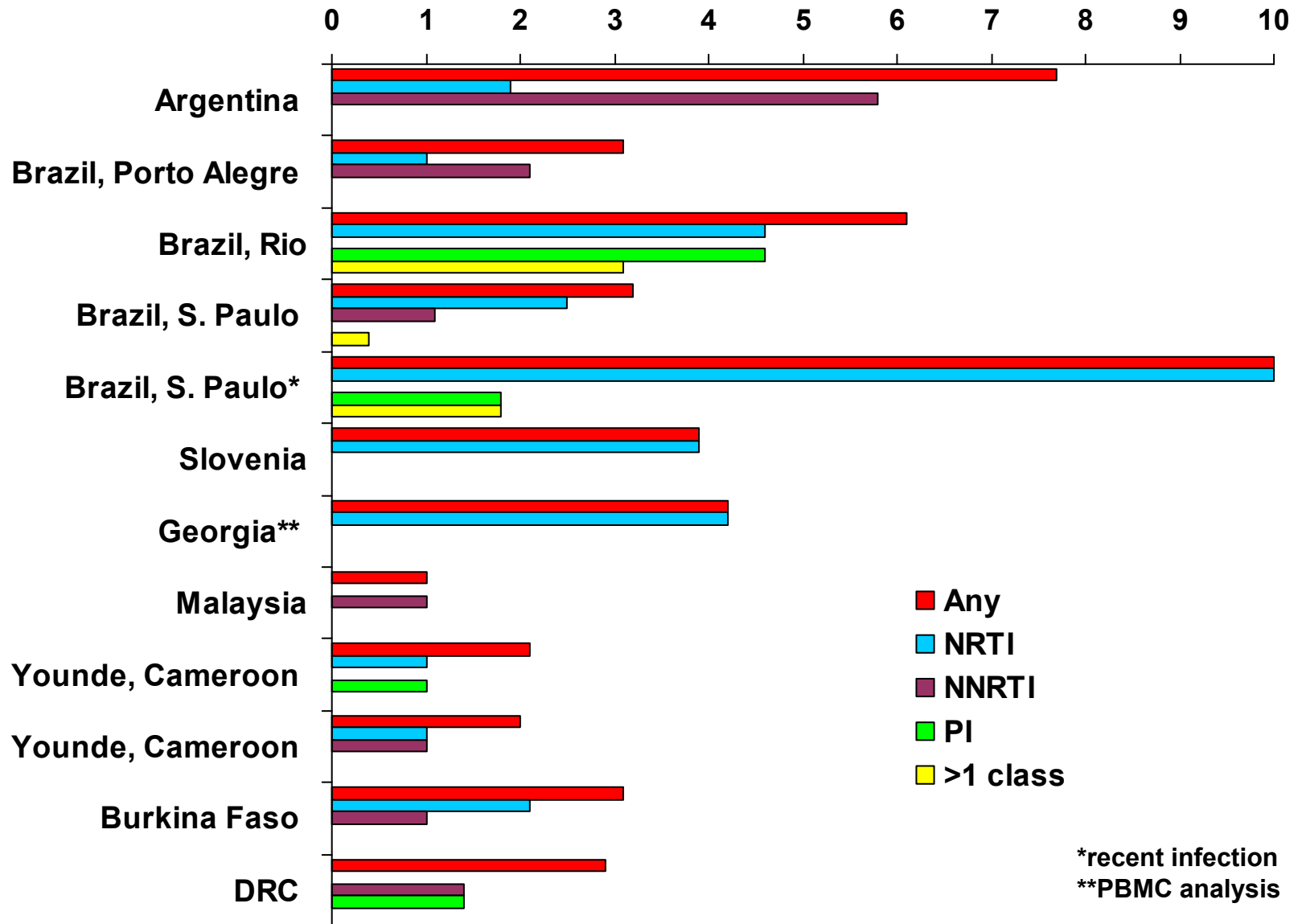
Resistance to at least one drug class: 52%

Triple class resistance: 11%

# European surveys of resistance in newly diagnosed patients



## Conservative estimates of TDR prevalence





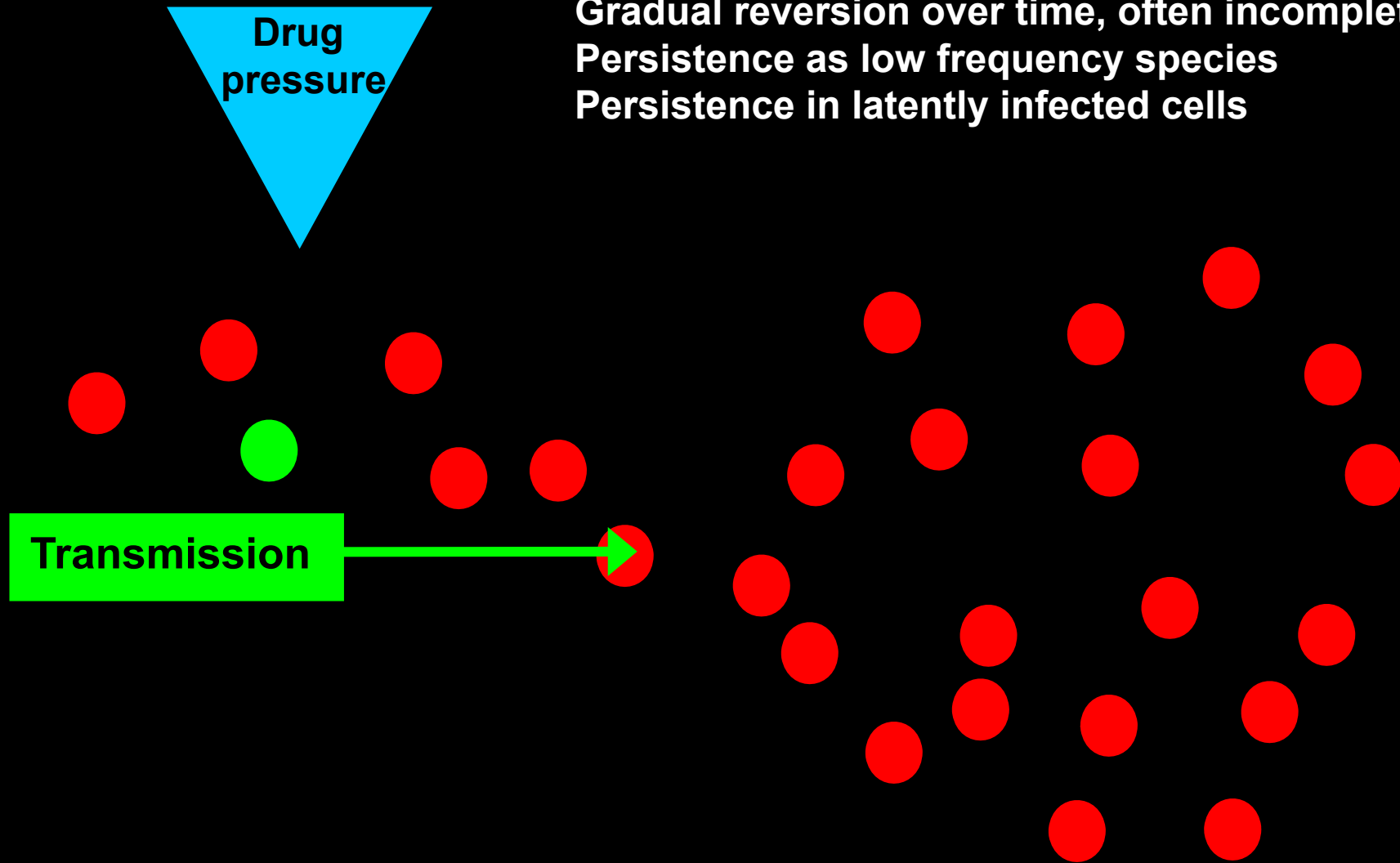
## Transmitted drug resistance (TDR)

Stable after transmission

Gradual reversion over time, often incomplete

Persistence as low frequency species

Persistence in latently infected cells



# Clinical significance of transmitted drug resistance

- Delayed virological suppression upon starting HAART<sup>1</sup>
- NNRTI TDR increases the risk of treatment failure with NNRTI-based HAART<sup>2</sup>
- NRTI and NNRTI TDR increases the risk of treatment failure in first-line ABC/3TC/EFV or ZDV/3TC/EFV therapy<sup>3</sup>
- TDR reduced the efficacy of NNRTI-based regimens<sup>4</sup>
- Current international guidelines recommend baseline resistance testing
- WHO monitoring TDR in developing countries currently expanding access to antiretroviral therapy

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## ■ Genotype

- sequencing of viral genes (reverse transcriptase, protease +/- integrase and envelope and tropism assays)
- Resistance to specific drugs is *predicted* based on known mutations
- Requires knowledge of which mutations affect which drugs

## ■ Phenotype

- Grow virus in culture with various amounts of drugs
- *Direct measure* of viral resistance
- Does not explore the underlying mutations, just their affect on the ability of the drug to stop the virus

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- Sequence relevant HIV genes and compare result to reference strain
  - eg: M 184 V in reverse transcriptase
    - 184 refers to amino acid position 184 in enzyme
    - M (methionine) is the “wild-type” amino acid
    - V (valine) is the “mutant” amino acid
  - “Mixtures” are when both WT and mutant amino acids are detected eg M 184 M/V

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## Relative Advantages

- Wide availability
- Results available in days or weeks\*
- Less technically demanding\*
- Less expensive\*
- FDA approved kits

## Relative Limitations

- *Indirect* measure of susceptibility
- Expert interpretation required
- Unable to detect overall affect of many mutations
- May miss minor variants

- But even so, still expensive, require technical sophistication,
- turnaround depends on testing volume and
- still uncommonly available for routine clinical care in RCCs

# Example of Genotype Report

Relevant RT Mutations: D67N, T69D, V118I, T215V\*, K219Q

Nucleoside and Nucleotide RT Inhibitors	Resistance Interpretation
zidovudine (AZT)	Possible Resistance
didanosine (ddl)	Possible Resistance
zalcitabine (ddC)	Resistance
lamivudine (3TC)/emtricitabine (FTC)	No Evidence of Resistance
stavudine (d4T)	Possible Resistance
abacavir (ABC)	Possible Resistance
tenofovir (TDF)	No Evidence of Resistance
NonNucleoside RT Inhibitors	Resistance Interpretation
nevirapine (NVP)	No Evidence of Resistance
delavirdine (DLV)	No Evidence of Resistance
efavirenz (EFV)	No Evidence of Resistance

Relevant Protease Mutations: M36I, L63P, A71T

Protease Inhibitors	Resistance Interpretation
saquinavir (SQV)	No Evidence of Resistance
indinavir (IDV)	No Evidence of Resistance
ritonavir (RTV)	No Evidence of Resistance
nelfinavir (NFV)	No Evidence of Resistance
amprenavir (APV)/fosamprenavir (FPV)	No Evidence of Resistance
lopinavir + ritonavir (LPV/r)	No Evidence of Resistance
atazanavir (ATV)	Possible Resistance

Resistance interpretation is based upon interpretation by an international expert panel (The Consensus Panel) of *in vitro* and *in vivo* data including phenotypic and virologic response data available as of February 2004 for correlation of Protease and RT sequences to antiretroviral drug resistance. These include primary and secondary mutations.

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What was missing from that report?

# Example of Genotype Report

The current ARV regimen

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# General limitations of resistance assays

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- Resistance tests are most accurate in assessing the *current* regimen
  - If resistance has ever developed, then archived mutations exist
  - If no drug pressure exists, “wild type” virus will often overgrow the mutant strains
- VL generally at least 1000 copies for most commercial assays
- Mutations are detected only if mutant virus is at least 10-20% of virus population
  - Viral “mixtures” or minor variants can be missed

# Resistance Testing in Rx-Naive Patients Should Be Done at Diagnosis

2002  
New Dx

NRTI	DRUG		PHENOSENSE™ SUSCEPTIBILITY		Evidence of Susceptibility		Comments
	Generic Name	Brand Name	Cutoffs (Lower - Upper)	Fold Change	Pheno Sense	Gene Seq	
	Abacavir	Ziagen	(4.5)	1.0	Y	Y	
	Didanosine	Videx	(1.7)	0.8	Y	Y	
	Lamivudine	Epivir	(2.5)	1.2	Y	Y	
	Stavudine	Zerit	(1.7)	0.9	Y	Y	
	Zalcitabine	Hivid	(1.7)	0.7	Y	Y	
	Zidovudine	Retrovir	(2.5)	2.6	N	N	Mixture(1)
	Tenofovir	Viread	(1.4)	1.0	Y	Y	
	NRTI Mutations		M41L, T215N/Y				

2005  
Still  
Rx Naive

NRTI	DRUG		PHENOSENSE™ SUSCEPTIBILITY		Evidence of Susceptibility		Net Assessment
	Generic Name	Brand Name	Cutoffs (Lower - Upper)	Fold Change	Pheno Sense	Gene Seq	
	Abacavir	Ziagen	(4.5)	0.82	Y	Y	Sensitive
	Didanosine	Videx	(1.3)	0.95	Y	Y	Sensitive
	Emtricitabine	Emtriva	(3.5)	0.73	Y	Y	Sensitive
	Lamivudine	Epivir	(3.5)	0.74	Y	Y	Sensitive
	Stavudine	Zerit	(1.7)	0.86	Y	Y	Sensitive
	Zidovudine	Retrovir	(1.9)	0.77	Y	Y	Sensitive 14
	Tenofovir	Viread	(1.4)	0.68	Y	Y	Sensitive
	NRTI Mutations		T215T/S				

# DHHS Guidelines perform genotype

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- when managing suboptimal viral load reduction or virologic failure >1000 (? >500 copies/ml)
- in the setting of virologic failure, testing should be done while the patient is on therapy, or within 4 weeks of stopping
- for all pregnant women prior to therapy, or for pregnant women with detectable VL on therapy

# Genotype interpretation

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- Memorize mutations (not my favourite)
- Pattern recognition
- Most assay reports come with an “expert” interpretation included, but be careful
  - <http://hivdb.stanford.edu> is a reliable resource
- Limited by complex interactions of multiple mutations, especially for protease inhibitors and TAMs
- Newer drugs come with “prediction rules”

# Mutations Selected by nRTIs

Abacavir	K	L	Y	M			
	65	74	115	184			
	R	V	F	V			
Didanosine	K	L					
	65	74					
	R	V					
Emtricitabine	K			M			
	65			184			
	R			V I			
Lamivudine	K			M			
	65			184			
	R			V I			
Stavudine	M	K	D	K	L	T	K
	41	65	67	70	210	215	219
	L	R	N	R	W	Y	Q
						F	E
Tenofovir	K	K					
	65	70					
	R	E					
Zidovudine	M	D	K	L	T	K	
	41	67	70	210	215	219	
	L	N	R	W	Y	Q	
					F	E	

# Mutations Selected by nRTIs

Multi-nRTI Resistance: 69 Insertion Complex (affects all nRTIs currently approved by the US FDA)

M	A	▼ K	L	T	K
41	62	69 70	210	215	219
L	V	Insert R	W	Y	Q
			F	E	

Multi-nRTI Resistance: 151 Complex (affects all nRTIs currently approved by the US FDA except tenofovir)

A	V	F	F	Q
62	75	77	116	151
V	I	L	Y	M

Multi-nRTI Resistance: Thymidine Analogue-Associated Mutations (TAMs; affect all nRTIs currently approved by the US FDA)

M	D	K	L	T	K
41	67	70	210	215	219
L	N	R	W	Y	Q
			F	E	

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- **M184V**: Resistance to lamivudine and emtricitabine
    - Some resistance to didanosine and abacavir
    - May restore some activity to zidovudine and tenofovir
  - **K65R**: Signature tenofovir mutation
    - Also resistance to abacavir, stavudine, didanosine
  - **L74V**: Resistance to abacavir and didanosine
  - **Thymidine analogue mutations (TAMS)**: all NRTIs
  - Even with NRTI resistance, most NRTI retain some activity and may help suppress HIV

# Thymidine analogue mutations

- Zidovudine and thymidine are **thymidine analogues**
- Share common resistance patterns (**TAMs**)
- Common mutations include **M41L, L210W, T215Y, D67N, K70R, K219Q/E/N**
- **TAMs emerge via one of two pathways**
  - **Pattern 1: 41, 201, 215:** confers resistance to ALL NRTIs + tenofovir
  - **Pattern 2: 67, 70, 219:** confers resistance mainly to ZDV and d4T



- At least 3 TAMs before completely lose virologic activity of ZDV or d4T
- Some NRTI mutations eg T215Y can lead to hypersensitivity of HIV to NNRTIs<sup>1</sup>
  - Nevirapine, efavirenz and etravirine
  - Can improve virologic response to NNRTIs
- M184V appears to delay emergence of TAMs

1. Clark SA et al AIDS 2006 20 981

# M184V

- Most prevalent mutation in treated patients
- Often first mutation to appear
- Causes high level resistance to lamivudine and emtracitabine
- Modest reduction in susceptibility to abacavir and ddI
- Confers hypersusceptibility to zidovudine, stavudine and tenofovir
  - Partially reverses resistance to these drugs
- HIV with this mutation is “less fit”
  - Continuing lamivudine with this mutation leads to persistent mean 0.5 log decrease in VL

# K65R

- Signature mutation for tenofovir resistance
- Also found in 4-11% of pts with non subtype B HIV failing stavudine and not on tenofovir<sup>1</sup>.
- Confers cross resistance to abacavir, stavudine and ddl
  - Particularly with non subtype B
  - However like M184V it is associated with ↓ viral fitness
    - This may be additive with M184V
  - Also K65R induces hypersusceptibility to zidovudine
    - Like M184V
- 3 or more TAMs (including M41L, L210W, T215Y) also confers resistance to tenofovir
  - Presence of TAMs in patients on tenofovir may decrease likelihood of K65R selection<sup>3</sup>
- Emtricitabine may protect against emergence of K65R<sup>2</sup>

1. Wallis C et al JAIDS 2010; 53 480

2. Gallant JE et al NEJM 2006 354 251

3. Von Wyl V et al Clin Infect Dis 2008; 46 1299

# Multinucleoside resistance mutations

- Q151M complex
  - Resistance to all NRTIs except tenofovir
- T69 insertion mutation (69S)
  - Resistance to all NRTIs including tenofovir when accompanied by TAMs at codons 41, 210 or 215
- These mutations are usually selected by NRTI backbones that include didanosine plus either zidovudine or stavudine
  - Less commonly seen now in USA/Europe/Australia
  - ? prevalent in countries where d-drugs are used

# Mutations associated with loss of protease inhibitor susceptibility

- PIs when given with low dose ritonavir have a **high genetic barrier** to resistance
- Usually need **multiple mutations** to accumulate before decrease in drug susceptibility
- Can be **classified as primary (major) or secondary (minor) mutations**
  - **Primary** mutations emerge first, reducing antiviral activity
  - **Secondary** mutations typically emerge later in the presence of continued drug pressure when on a non-suppressive regimen
  - May increase replicative fitness of strains carrying primary mutations
- Most data on PI mutations come from studies of unboosted PIs
- When **ritonavir-boosted PIs** are used by patients with no pre-existing mutations, **treatment failure is rarely associated with PI resistance**

# Mutations Selected by NNRTIs

Efavirenz

	L	K	K	V	V		Y	Y	G		P
	<b>100</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>108</b>		<b>181</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>190</b>		<b>225</b>
	I	P	N	M	I		C	L	S		H
							I		A		

Etravirine

	V	A	L	K		V		E		V	Y		G		M
	90	98	100	101		106		138		179	181		190		230
	I	G	I*	E		I		A		D	C*		S		L
				H				G		F	I*		A		
				P*				K		T	V*				

Nevirapine

	L	K	K	V	V		Y	Y	G		
	<b>100</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>108</b>		<b>181</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>190</b>		
	I	P	N	A	I		C	C	A		
				M			I	L	H		

# Major nnRTI mutations

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- **K103N**
  - Most common nnRTI mutation
  - High level resistance to efavirenz / nevirapine
  - Not etravirine
- **Y181C**
  - High level resistance to nevirapine, intermediate efavirenz
  - Some etravirine resistance

# Y181C

- **Nevirapine and efavirenz** have a **low genetic barrier** to resistance
  - Significant cross resistance between NVP and EFV
  - A single mutation can confer cross resistance
- **Y181C** and **K103N** are the most common mutations seen with NNRTI use
  - Y181C is selected more commonly by nevirapine
  - K103N is selected more commonly by efavirenz
  - Both lead to high level resistance
- **Etravirine** is a 2<sup>nd</sup> generation NNRTI: Higher genetic barrier to resistance





# Mutations Selected by PIs (cont)

Nelfinavir

L	D	M	M		A	V	V	I	N	L
10	<b>30</b>	36	46		71	77	82	84	88	<b>90</b>
F	N	I	I		V	I	A	V	D	M
I			L		T		F		S	
							T			
							S			

Saquinavir/  
ritonavir

L	L			G	I	I	A	G	V	V	I	L
10	24			<b>48</b>	54	62	71	73	77	82	84	<b>90</b>
I	I			V	V	V	V	S	I	A	V	M
R					L		T			F		
V										T		
										S		

Tipranavir/  
ritonavir

L		L	M	K	M	I	I	Q	H	T	V	N	I	L
10		33	36	43	46	<b>47</b>	54	<b>58</b>	69	<b>74</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>84</b>	89
V		F	I	T	L	V	A	E	K	P	L	D	V	I
			L				M		R		T			M
			V				V							V

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- “Signature” mutations for non-boosted PI
    - D30N: nelfinavir
    - I50L: atazanavir
    - I50V: fosamprenavir
  - Boosted PIs usually do not select for mutations if used as first PI with NRTIs
    - Otherwise may have broad general cross resistance
  - Gets very complicated very quickly

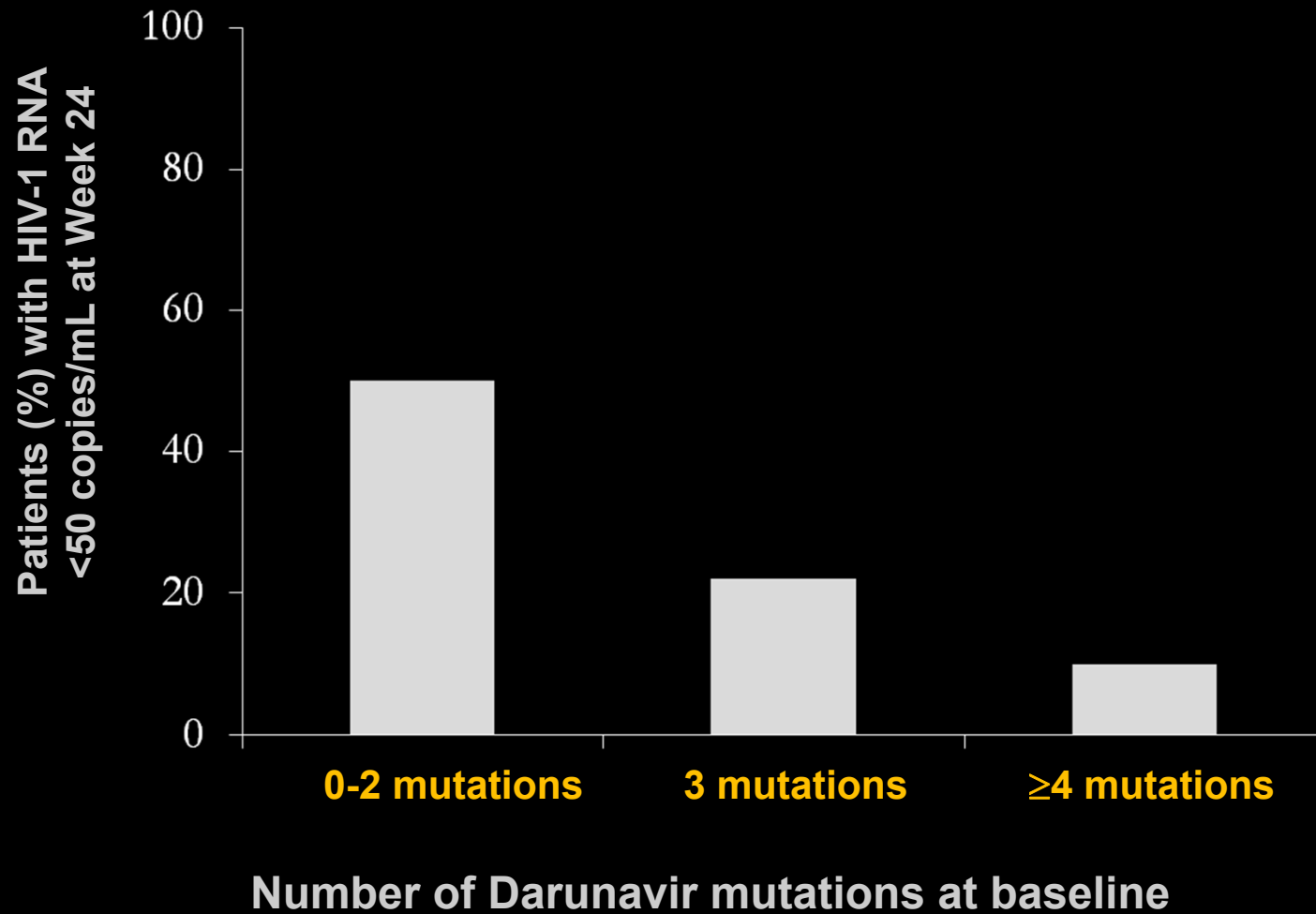
# Newer protease “mutation score”

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- Darunavir is a newer PI with activity against resistant HIV
- POWER studies showed patients treated with darunavir and optimized background Rx had VL < 50 copies/mL better than comparator PIs
- Response to darunavir was found to be dependent on 11 PI mutations at baseline

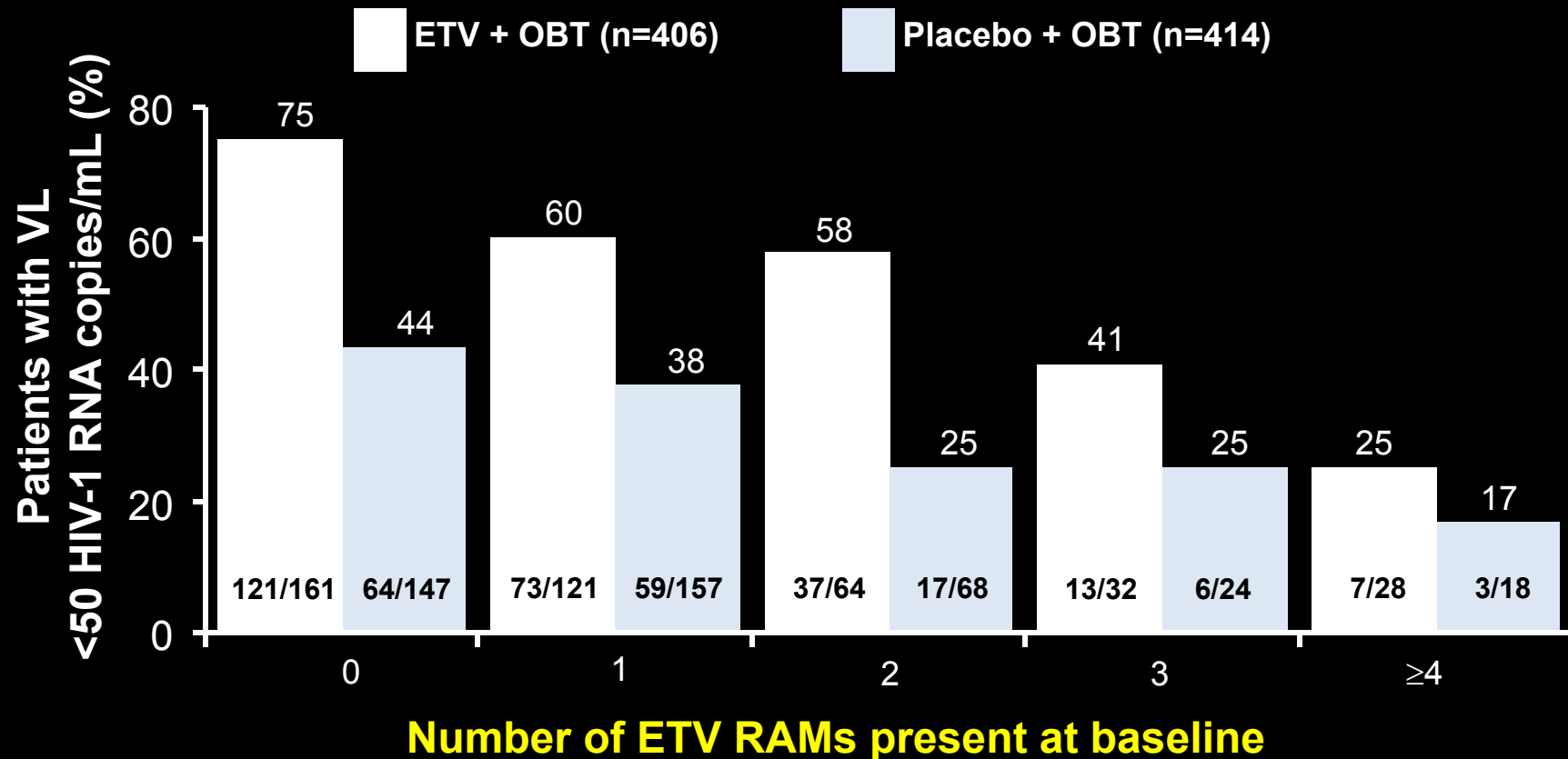
V	V L	I	I	I	T L	I	L
11	32 33	47	50	54	74 76	84	89
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# Darunavir response by DRV score



# Impact of baseline resistance in DUET

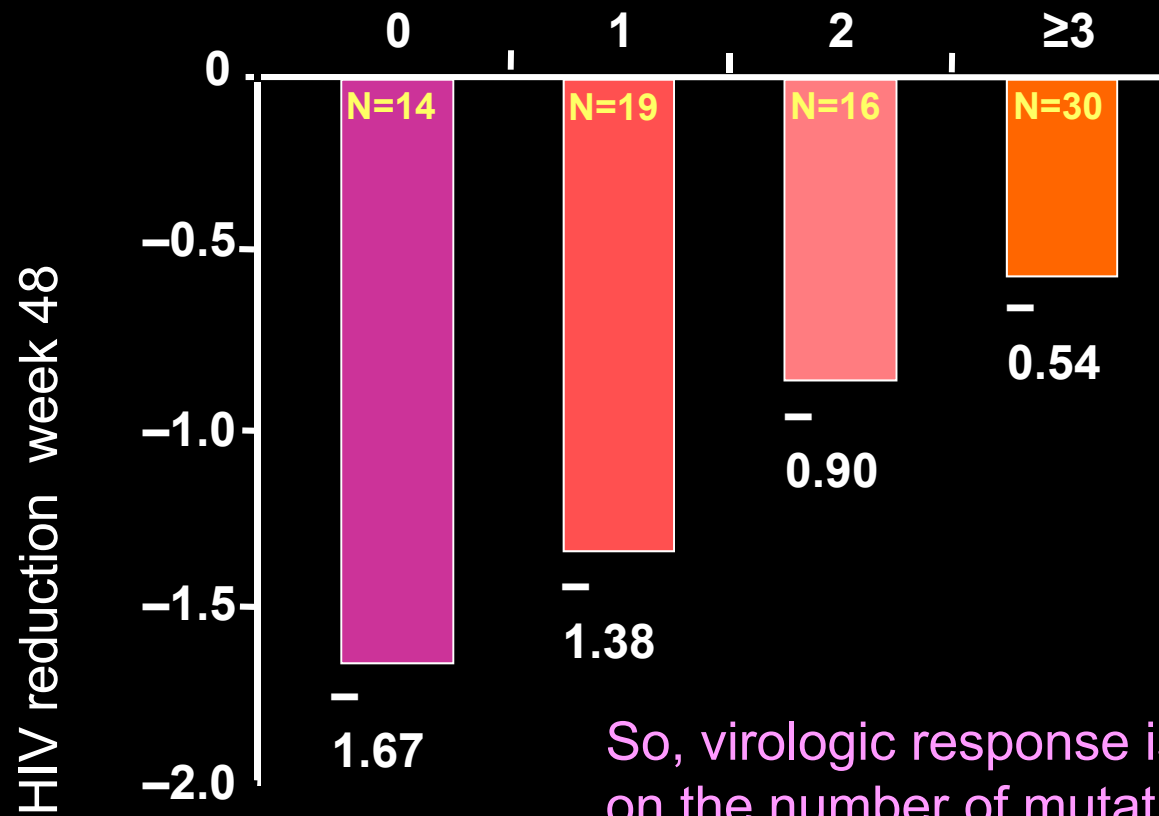
number of baseline ETV RAMs correlated with the virologic response



**3 or more ETV resistance associated mutations give a reduced response to ETV**

# Etravirine (TMC 125): Baseline resistance predicts virological response

## Baseline NNRTI mutations



So, virologic response is dependent on the number of mutations at baseline

# Mutations in the Integrase Gene Associated With Resistance to Integrase Inhibitors

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Raltegravir

E	Y	Q	N
92	143	148	155
Q	R	H	H
	H	K	
	C	R	



# Raltegravir resistance

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- Raltegravir failure is associated with integrase mutations in **at least 3 genetic pathways** defined by **at least 2 mutations**
  - Major mutation at 148, 155, or 143
  - One or more additional minor mutations
- Most common and highest degree of resistance is **Q148H** plus **G140S**

# How adherent do you have to be to prevent resistance?

- **Old days:** 95% adherence with unboosted PIs necessary for full virologic suppression<sup>1</sup>
- **Recently:** boosted PIs (+EFV) seem more forgiving<sup>2,3</sup>
  - ? Longer half life, higher plasma levels
- Adherent only 70-89% of time
  - strongly associated with viral rebound and clinically significant resistance<sup>4</sup>
- **NB!** Patient self-reported adherence overestimated by as much as 20%<sup>5</sup>

1. Paterson DL et al *Ann Int Med* 2000 133 21;

3. Raffa et al *J Infect Dis* 2008 47 397.

5. Arnsten JH et al *Clin Infect Dis* 2001 33 1417

2. Bangsberg DR et al *Clin Infect Dis* 2006 43 939

4. Sethi AJ et al *Clin Infect Dis* 2003 37 1112.

# Conclusions

- Resistance can occur in patients naïve to ARV
- Resistance testing can be used to optimize an antiretroviral regimen
  - **Must** use in context of treatment history and results of all prior resistance tests
  - Goal for all HIV infected patients is HIV RNA < 50
- Factors other than resistance may cause regimen failure
- Resistance testing is reliable and cost-effective but must be interpreted in context and may require expert advice



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# **Resistance database initiative: Opportunities for patient care & research**

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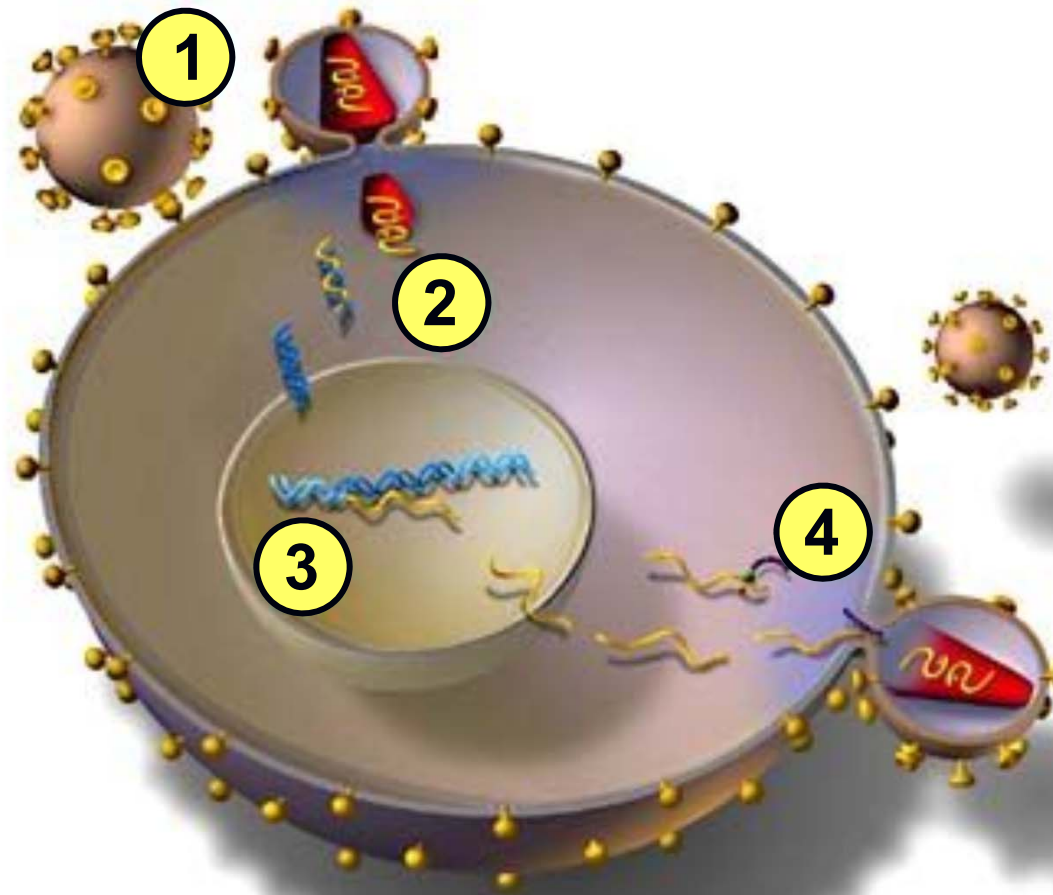


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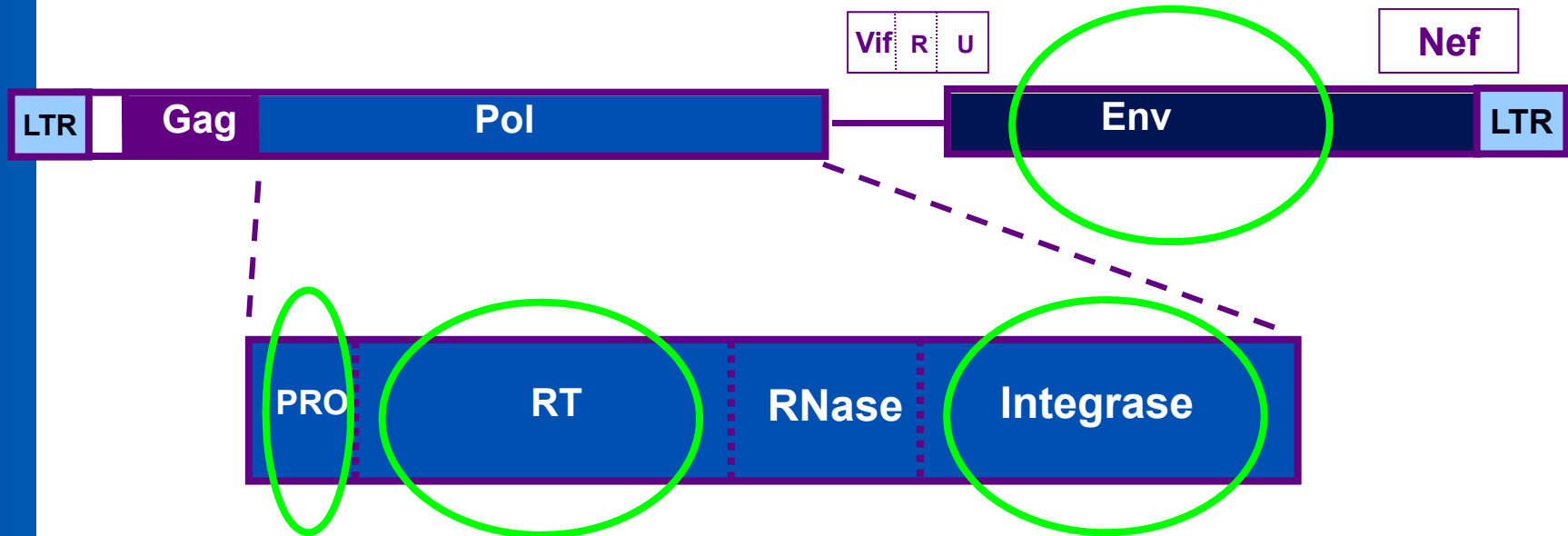
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4. Modelling response to treatment in resource-limited settings
5. Future plans

# HIV-1 Life Cycle



1. Attachment
2. RT
3. Integration
4. Maturation

# Therapeutic Targets



# Approved antiretroviral drugs: 1987

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**Zidovudine - AZT**



# Approved antiretroviral drugs: 2010

<b>NRTIs</b>		<b>NNRTIs</b>		<b>Protease Inhibitors</b>	
Abacavir	ABC	Delavirdine	DLV	Amprenavir	APV
Didanosine	ddl	Efavirenz	EFV	Atazanavir	ATV
Emtricitabine	FTC	Etravirine	ETR	Darunavir	DRV
Lamivudine	3TC	Nevirapine	NEV	Fosamprenavir	FPV
Stavudine	d4T			Indinavir	IDV
Tenofovir	TDF			Lopinavir/r	LPV
Zidovudine	ZDV			Nelfinavir	NFV
				Ritonavir	RTV
				Saquinavir	SQV
				Tipranavir	TPV
<b>Fixed-Dose Combinations</b>		<b>Entry Inhibitors</b>			
ZDV/3TC		Enfuvirtide	ENF		
ABC/3TC		Maraviroc	MVC		
TDF/FTC					
ABC/ZDV/3TC					
EFV/TDF/FTC					
		<b>Integrase Inhibitor</b>			
		Raltegravir	RAL		

# Approved antiretroviral drugs - in practice

<b>NRTIs</b>		<b>NNRTIs</b>		<b>Protease Inhibitors</b>	
Abacavir	ABC	<del>Delamanid</del>	<del>DLV</del>	<del>Ampronavir</del>	<del>APV</del>
<del>Didanosine</del>	<del>ddI</del>	Efavirenz	EFV	Atazanavir	ATV
Emtricitabine	FTC	Etravirine	ETR	Darunavir	DRV
Lamivudine	3TC	<del>Nevirapine</del>	<del>NEV</del>	Fosamprenavir	FPV
<del>Stavudine</del>	<del>d4T</del>			<del>Indinavir</del>	<del>IDV</del>
Tenofovir	TDF			Lopinavir/r	LPV
Zidovudine	ZDV			<del>Nelfinavir</del>	<del>NFV</del>
				<del>Ritonavir</del>	<del>RTV</del>
				<del>Saquinavir</del>	<del>SQV</del>
				<del>Tipranavir</del>	<del>TPV</del>
<b>Fixed-Dose Combinations</b>		<b>Entry Inhibitors</b>			
ZDV/3TC		<del>Enfuvirtide</del>	<del>ENF</del>		
ABC/3TC		Maraviroc	MVC		
TDF/FTC					
ABC/ZDV/3TC					
EFV/TDF/FTC					
		<b>Integrase Inhibitor</b>			
		Raltegravir	RAL		

# Change in pill burden

1996



3x Daily

2010



Once Daily

# HIV drug resistance

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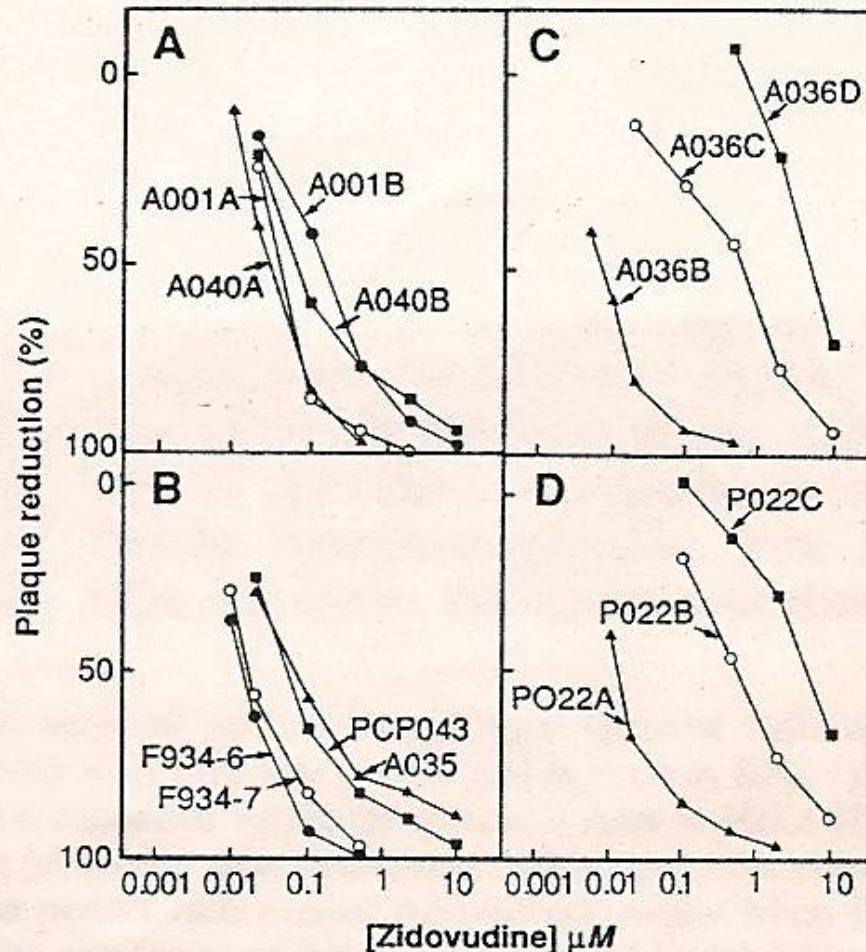
- Resistance is an inevitable consequence of sub-optimal drug therapy
- Partial suppression of HIV promotes resistance (via selection of mutations)
  - Sub-optimal dosing of drugs
  - Patient non-adherence to ARVs, etc.
- Transmission of drug-resistant virus is now fairly common

# Measuring Resistance

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- **Phenotyping**
  - Measured by growing HIV in cells in the presence of different amounts of drug
  - Single or multiple round recombinant assays are used
- **Genotyping**
  - DNA sequencing
  - BUT... viral mutations detected by this test require interpretation

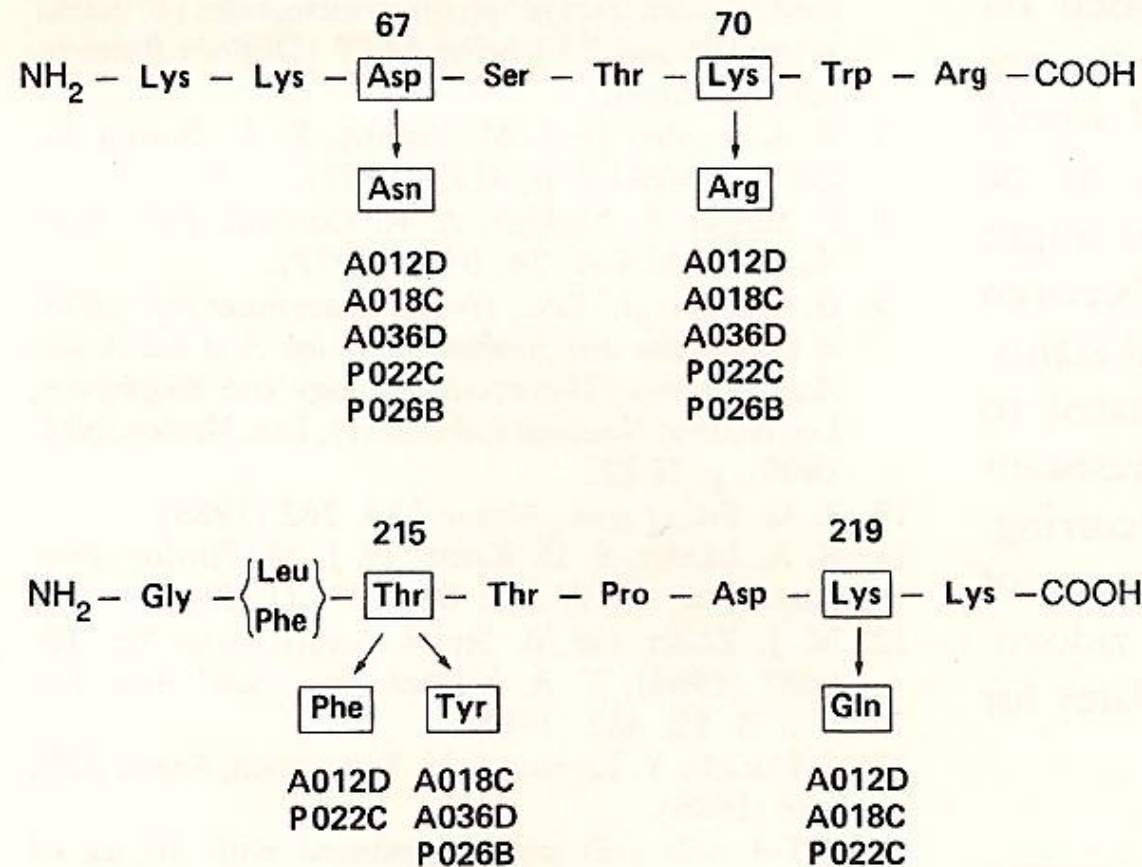
# AZT resistance development - progressive & to high-levels



Science, 31st March, 243; 1731-1734, 1989



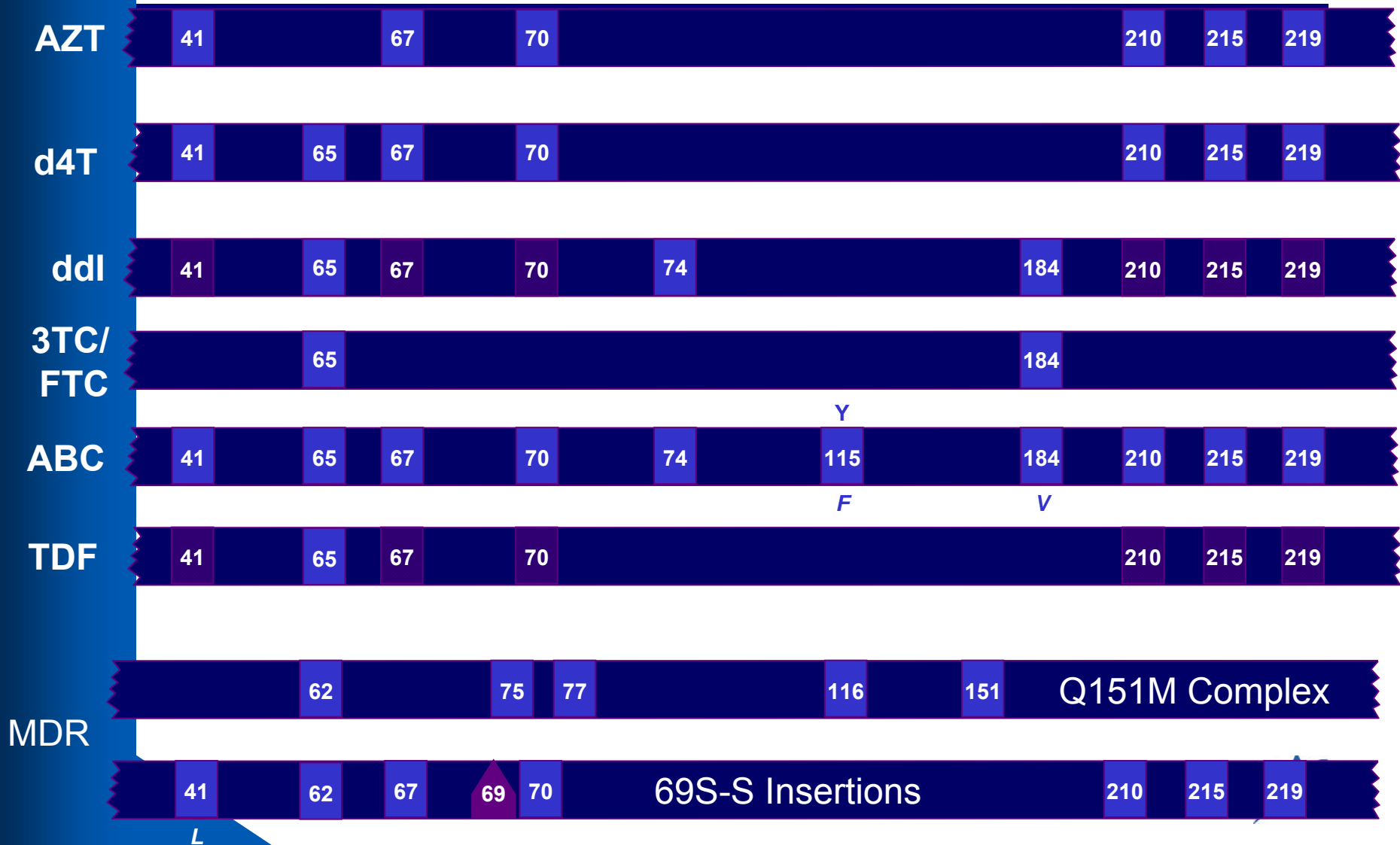
# Specific AZT mutations: the beginning of 'genotyping'



*Science*, 1st Dec, 246; 1155-1158, 1989

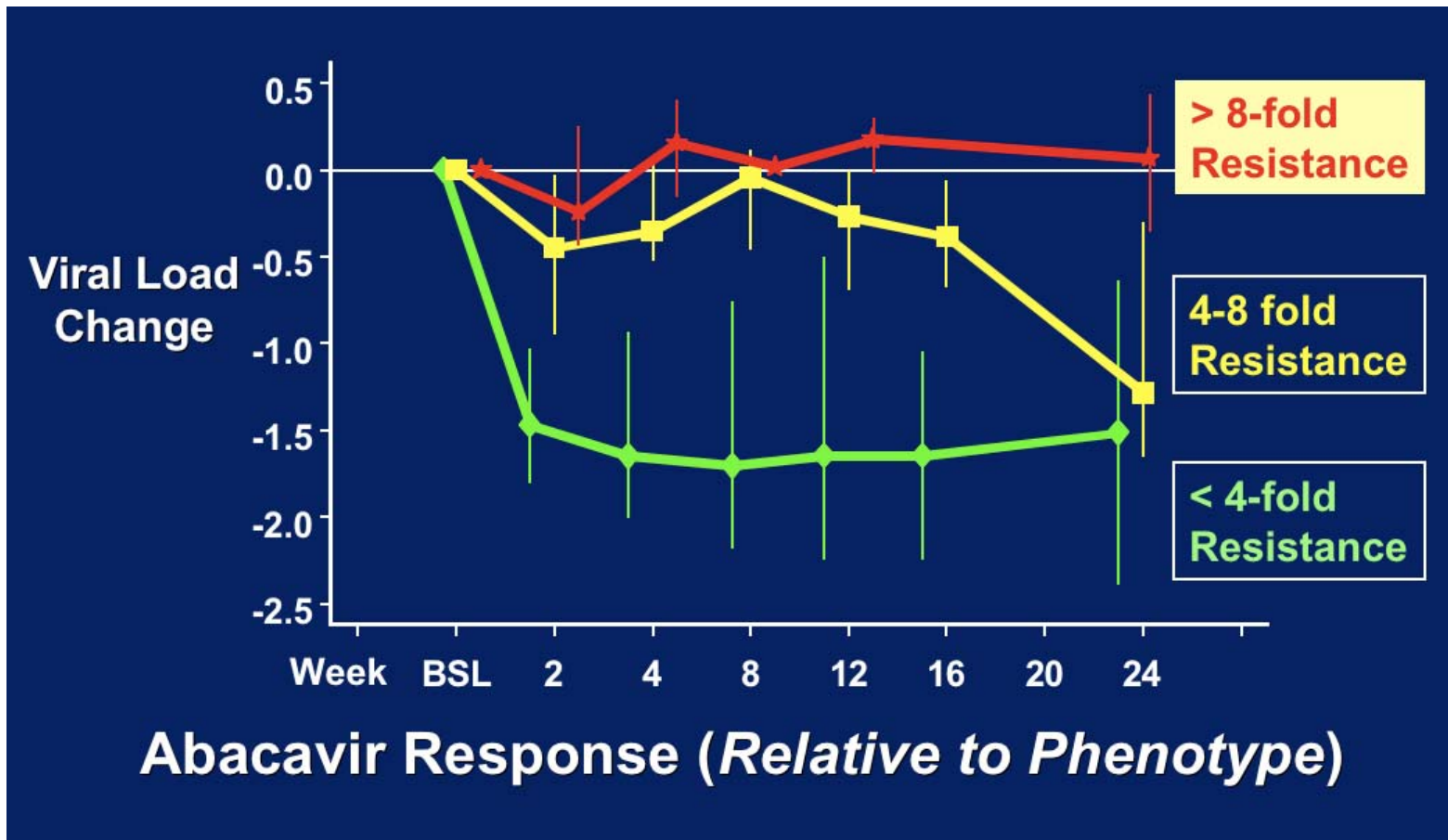


# RT Mutations Associated with NRTIs/NtRTI





# Resistance blunts clinical response



# RDI: HIV Resistance Response Database Initiative

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## *Objectives:*

- To establish an independent global database of clinical response data for modelling treatment response
- Use computational modelling to predict ***quantitative virological response to combination therapy directly from genotype & other information***
- To harness the models as a free treatment selection support tool on the internet
- To improve treatment decision-making, patient outcomes & save drugs/budgets

# RDI status

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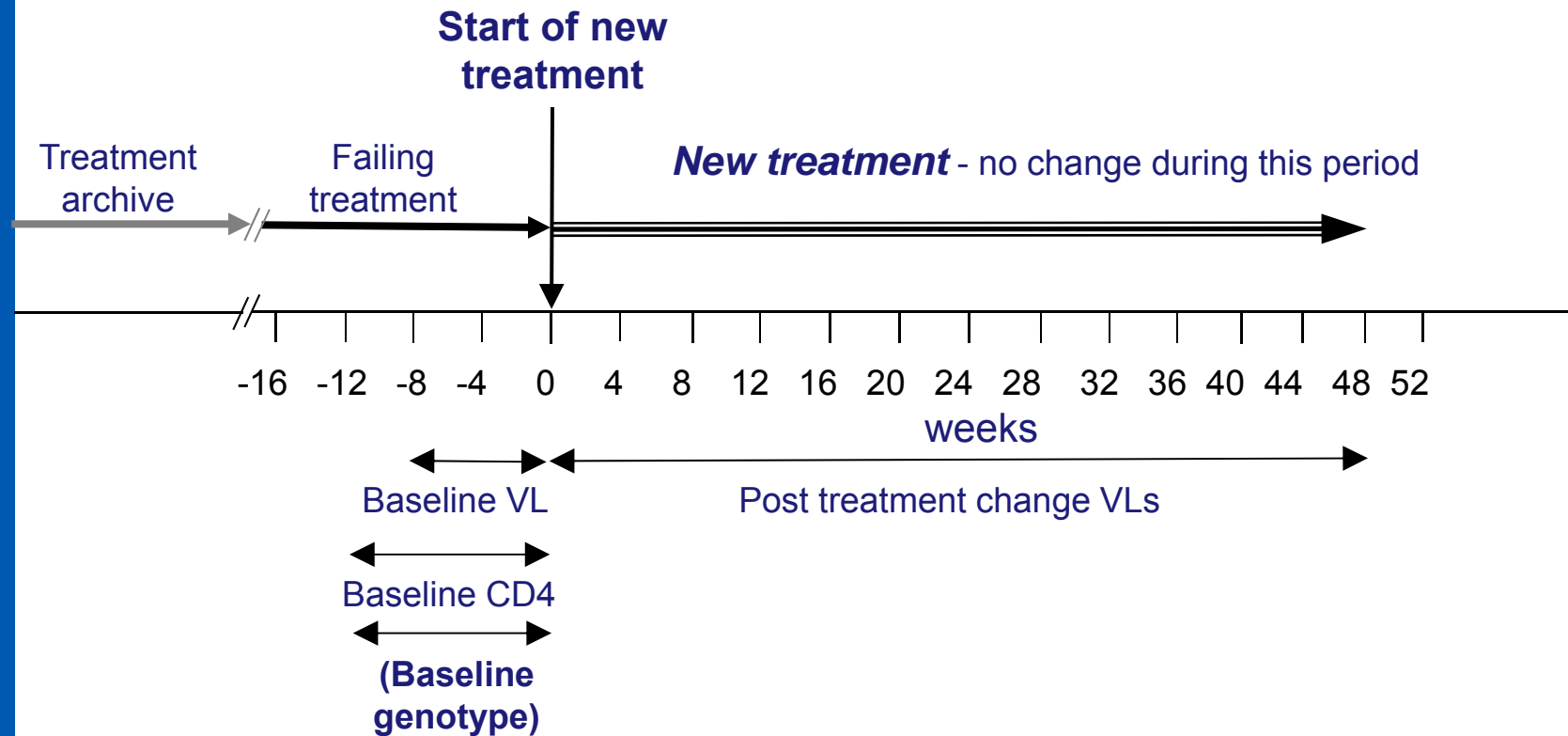
- Established as a not-for-profit in 2002
- Data collected from  $\approx$  60,000 patients from 20 main sources & several hundred clinics in 15 countries
- Dozens of studies over 8 years optimising methods

# Why use computational modelling?

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- Useful where there are complex, non-linear interactions between multiple variables
- High-level computer models 'learn' by example
  - in this case from extensive, real clinical data
- The models can give **quantitative** predictions of viral load response to drug **combinations**
- Main methods investigated:
  - artificial neural networks (**ANN**), random forests (**RF**),

# The Treatment Change Episode (TCE)



# What do the models predict & how can we assess their accuracy?

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- **The absolute viral load after treatment change**
  - Correlation between predicted and actual virological response using an independent test set of different patients ( $\Delta$  viral load)
- **Whether or not viral load will be above or below 50 copies/ml** (the current 'undetectable' cut-off in many settings) This can be adjusted
  - ROC curves are constructed to determine prediction accuracy

# Key results

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- Combined models can predict absolute virological responses with correlation  $\geq 0.85$  ( $r^2$  of  $\geq 0.7$ )
- Recent models predict probability of viral load going undetectable (<50 copies) with accuracy of  $\geq 80\%$
- Recent models (trained with >8,000 TCEs) predict virological response *without need for genotype* with similar accuracy

# The rationale for RDI in resource-limited setting

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- ART continues to be rolled-out in resource-limited settings
- ART failure rates are as expected
- Resistance is a major factor
- Very little access to resistance tests
- Limited (but increasing) treatment options means selections are critical
- Expertise limited in some settings



## RF models developed to predict VL<50 copies: modeling without genotype

	<b>Training set</b>	<b>Test set</b>	<b>Sens</b>	<b>Spec</b>	<b>Accuracy</b>	<b>AUC</b>
RF binary, including genotype	3,188	100	86%	76%	82%	0.88
RF binary, no genotype	3,188	100	71%	89%	78%	0.86
RF binary, no genotype	8,214	400	86%	77%	82%	0.88

# HIV-TRePS

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- Free system accessed via RDI web site
- Password-protected user accounts
- Flexible user options e.g.,
  - Model responses to regimens of your choosing
  - Model responses to alternatives, or both
  - Exclude unavailable or unsuitable drugs
- Real time report
- Data saved in user's archive
- Follow-up data collection facility

<http://www.hivr.org/treps/login.php>

# HIV-TRePS – home page 1



MY ACCOUNT

FAQ

FEEDBACK

CONTACT US

LOG OUT

## Daniel Coe's home page

### You have:

7 cases with incomplete baseline data

16 cases with complete baseline data — *Please enter your final treatment decision and follow-up viral loads*

0 cases with complete baseline data and your final treatment decision — *Please enter follow-up viral loads*

4 completed cases including your final treatment decision and follow-up viral load(s) — *Please enter subsequent viral loads if available*

[+ Add new patient data](#)



# HIV-TRePS – a baseline screen

## Drug Selection

What would you like HIV-TRePS to do for you?

1.  Predict responses to a range of alternative regimens
2.  Predict responses to regimen(s) of my choice
3.  Predict responses to regimen(s) of my choice plus alternatives

What follow-up time do you want the system to use for its predictions?

weeks

Submit information to HIV-TRePS

Save data and exit

Cancel entry

# HIV-TRePS – a sample report



10th May 2010

RDI ID	Patient ID	Date of Birth	Sex	User name	Centre
146	bren2		M	Mr Daniel Coe	RDI

## Baseline Information

Viral Load	CD4	Protease Mutations	RT Mutations	
26/04/2010	26/04/2010	26/04/2010	NRTI	NNRTI
45,888	300	10F/I/R/V,20M/R,32I,46I/L 54V/L/M,71V/T,77I,82A/F/S,90M	41L,44D,67N,184V 210W,215Y	108I,181C/I/V
Previous Drug Exposure	Unavailable Drugs	Excluded Drugs	User Selection	
3TC,D4T,AZT,NVP,IDV,rtv,SQV	ENF	D4T,ENF,IDV	ABC,TDF,ETV,DRV/rtv,RTG ABC,F/3TC,AZT,NVP,LPV/rtv,RT G F/3TC,TDF,ETV,ATZ,RTG	

## Predictions

HIV-TRePS (v1.0) was instructed to model responses to the user-defined antiretroviral regimens plus alternatives

The regimens are listed in order of predicted virological responses with the regimen most likely to reduce the viral load to <50 copies ranked first.

The probability of response (viral load <50 copies) is listed next to each regimen.

Those regimens that the system predicts will produce a response (using the cut-off value for the probability of response that produces optimal accuracy) are highlighted in green and those predicted to fail in red.

### A: Top 5 predictions with no more drugs than the user's first selection (5 drugs)

Rank	Regimen	Probability of VL<50	Response Category
1	DRV,F/3TC,RTG,rtv,TDF	76%	Response
2	AZT,DRV,F/3TC,RTG,rtv,TDF	76%	Response
3	AZT,DRV,RTG,rtv,TDF	75%	Response
4	AZT,ETV,F/3TC,RTG,TDF	74%	Response
5	AZT,F/3TC,RTG,TDF	74%	Response
User	ABC,DRV,ETV,RTG,TDF	60%	Response
User	ATZ,ETV,F/3TC,RTG,TDF	42%	Response



Thank you



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