

# HCV Therapies: State of the Art

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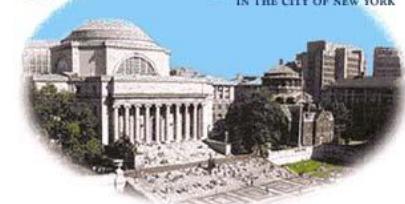
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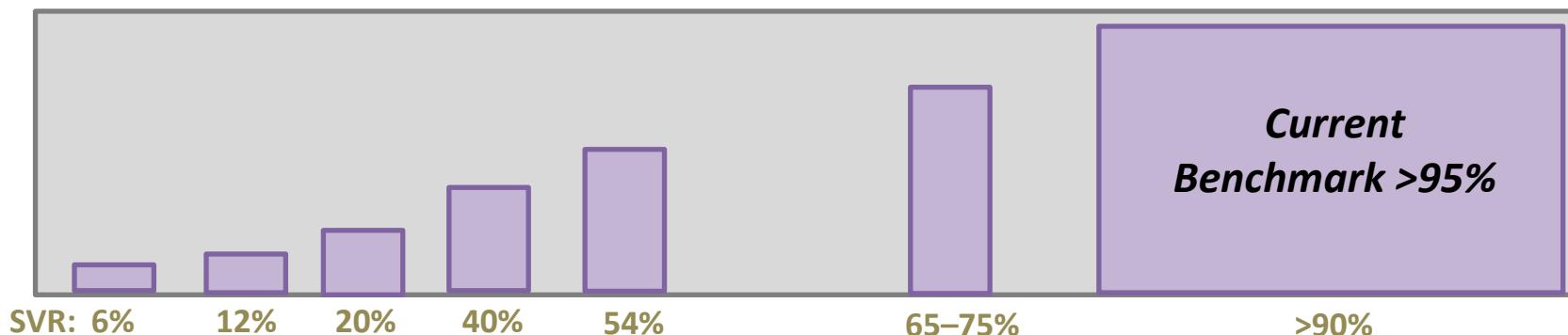
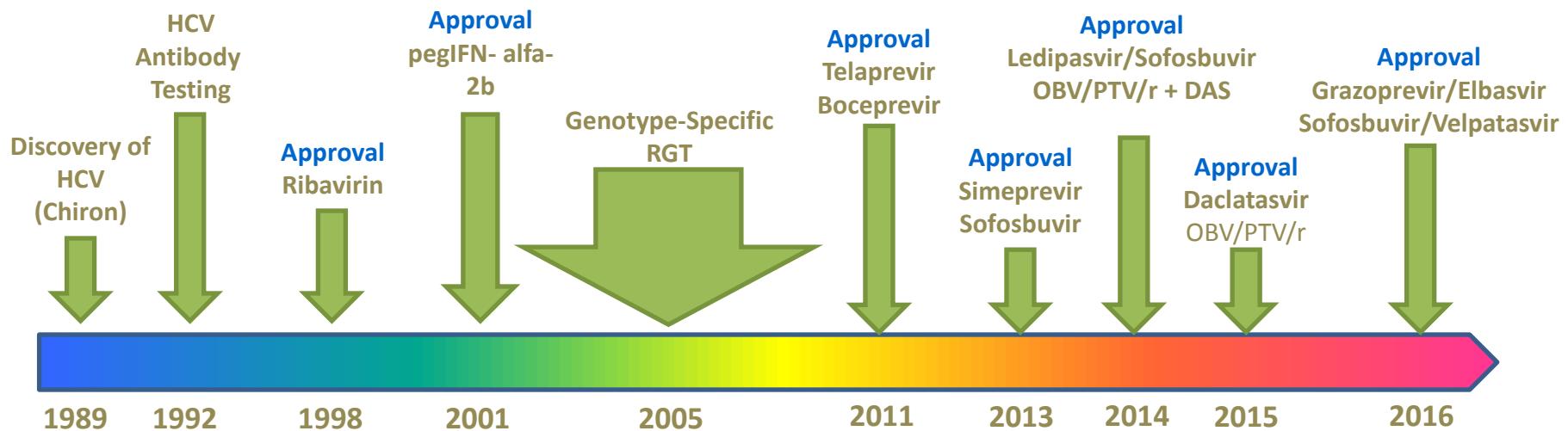
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# Learning Objectives

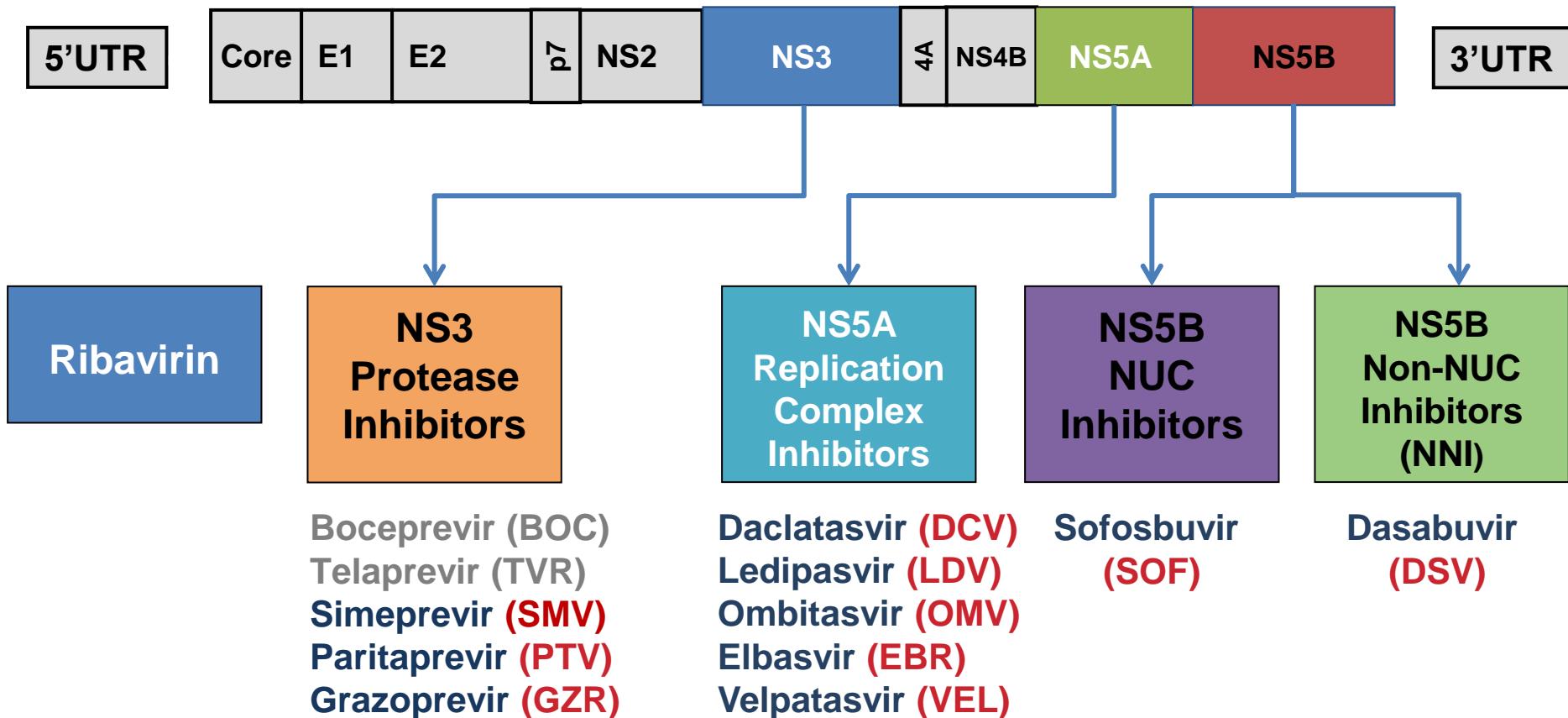
- Evaluate the current treatment options for the management of treatment-naive patients with HCV genotype 1 infection
- Assess the current treatment options for the management of treatment-experienced patients with HCV genotype 1 infection
- Outline the major issues in the current treatment of HCV infection

# Evolving Landscape of HCV Therapy



pegIFN-alfa 2b = peg-interferon alfa-2b; RGT = response-guided therapy; OBV/PTV/r + DAS = ombitasvir/paritaprevir and ritonavir + dasabuvir (or 3D).  
Houghton M. *Liver Int.* 2009;29(Suppl 1):82-88; Carithers RL, et al. *Hepatology.* 1997;26(3 Suppl 1):S83-S88; Zeuzem S, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2000;343(23):1666-1672; Poynard T, et al. *Lancet.* 1998;352(9138):1426-1432; McHutchison JG, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 1998;339(21):1485-1492; Lindsay KL, et al. *Hepatology.* 2001;34(2):395-403; Fried MW, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2002;347(13):975-982; Manns MP, et al. *Lancet.* 2001;358(9286):958-965; Poordad F, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2011;364(13):1195-1206; Jacobson IM, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2011;364(25):2405-2416; Lawitz E, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2013;368(20):1878-1887; Jacobson IM, et al. *Lancet.* 2014;384(9941):403-413; Afdhal N, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2014;370(20):1889-1898; Nelson DR, et al. *Hepatology.* 2015;61(4):1127-1135; Zeuzem S, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 2015;163(1):1-13.

# FDA-Approved Direct-Acting Antiviral Agents (DAAs) from Multiple Classes



	Protease Inhibitors	Nucleos(t)ide Polymerase Inhibitors	Non-nucleoside Polymerase Inhibitors	NS5A Inhibitors
Specific Agents	Telaprevir Boceprevir Simeprevir Paritaprevir Grazoprevir	Sofosbuvir	Dasabuvir	Ledipasvir Daclatasvir, Ombitasvir Elbasvir Velpatasvir
Potency	High (varies by genotype)	Moderate-to-high (pangenotypic)	Variable (varies by genotype)	High (some pan-genotypic)
Barrier to resistance	Low (1a<1b)	High (1a =1b)	Very low (1a<1b)	Low (1a<1b)
Potential for drug interactions	High	Low	Variable	Low-to-moderate
Toxicity	Rash, anemia, jaundice, liver injury	Mitochondrial	Variable	Variable
Dosing	qd to tid	qd to bid	qd to tid	qd
Comments	2nd generation PIs (higher barrier to resistance, pan-genotypic)	Single target active site	Allosteric Many targets	Multiple antiviral MOA
Predominant Metabolism	Hepatic	Renal	Hepatic	Hepatic

Modified from Schaefer EA, et al. *Gastroenterology*. 2012;142:1340-1350.

Protease inhibitor

Polymerase inhibitor

# Sofosbuvir + simeprevir

- Indications

- FDA
  - Genotype 1
- AASLD/IDSA
  - Genotype 1

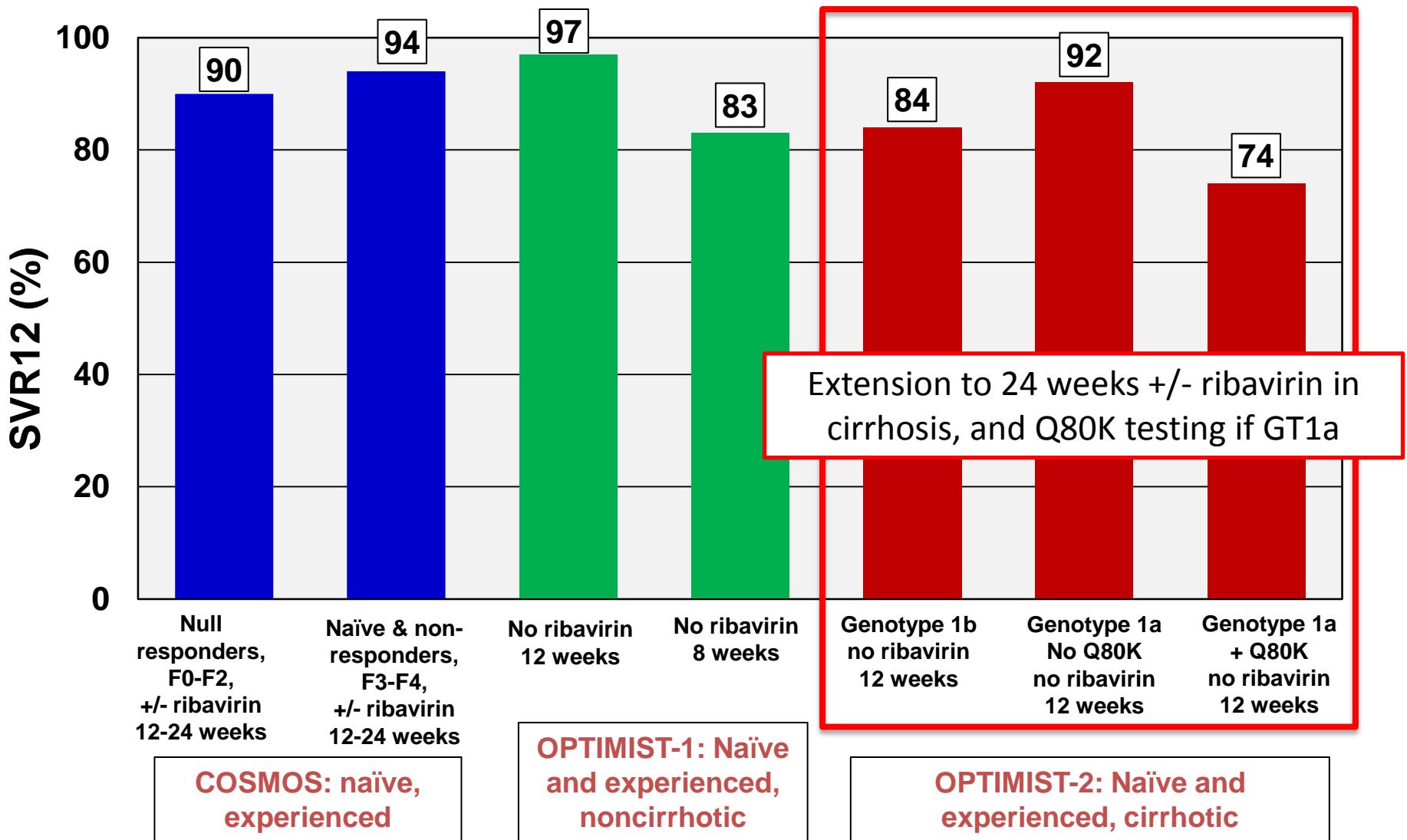
- Benefits

- First IFN-free regimen available

- Limitations

- May need baseline RAS testing and ribavirin
- Not recommended for decompensated cirrhosis

# Simeprevir + Sofosbuvir



Kwo P, et al, Hepatology 2016; Lawitz E, et al. Hepatology 2015.

Polymerase inhibitor

NS5A inhibitor

# Sofosbuvir + Ledipasvir

- Indications

- FDA
  - Genotype 1
- AASLD/IDSA
  - Genotypes 1, 4, 5, 6

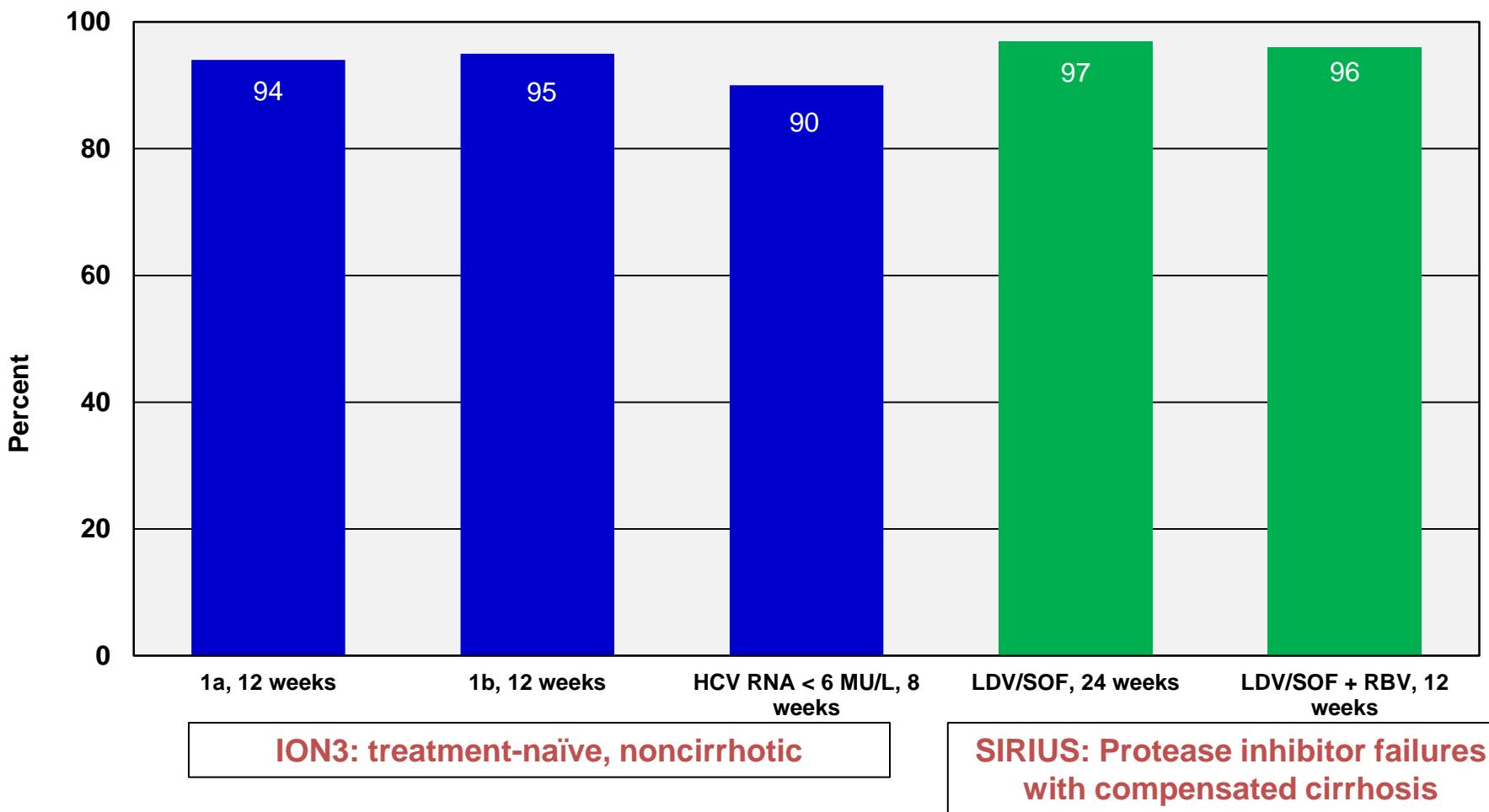
- Benefits

- Regimen for many treatment failure patients
- Ribavirin-free for many
- Decompensated cirrhosis
- Low pill burden

- Limitations

- Not recommended in advanced renal insufficiency

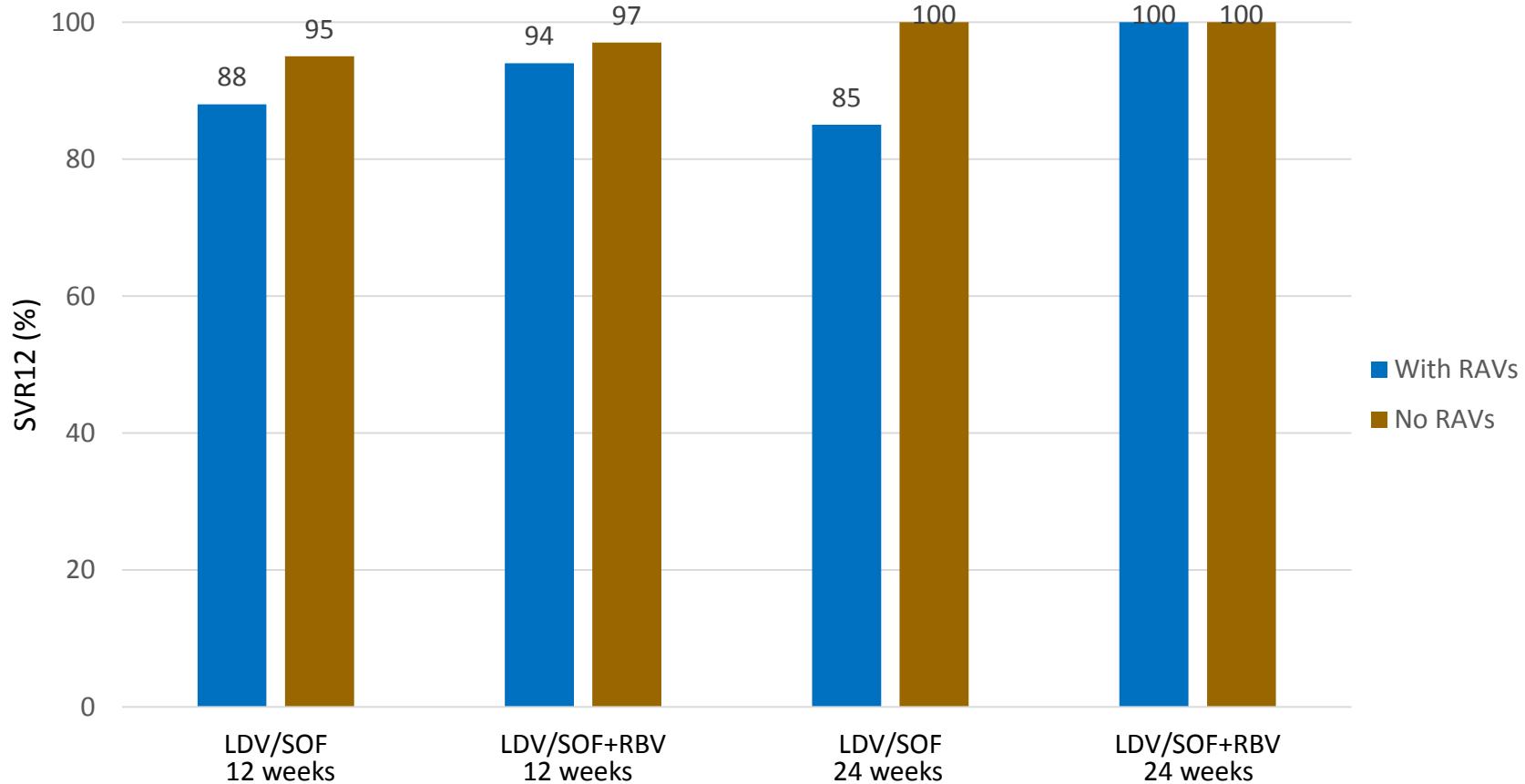
# Sofosbuvir + Ledipasvir



Kowdley KV, et al. NEJM 2014; Bourliere M, et al. Lancet Infect Dis 2015.

# Sofosbuvir/ledipasvir and NS5A RAVs

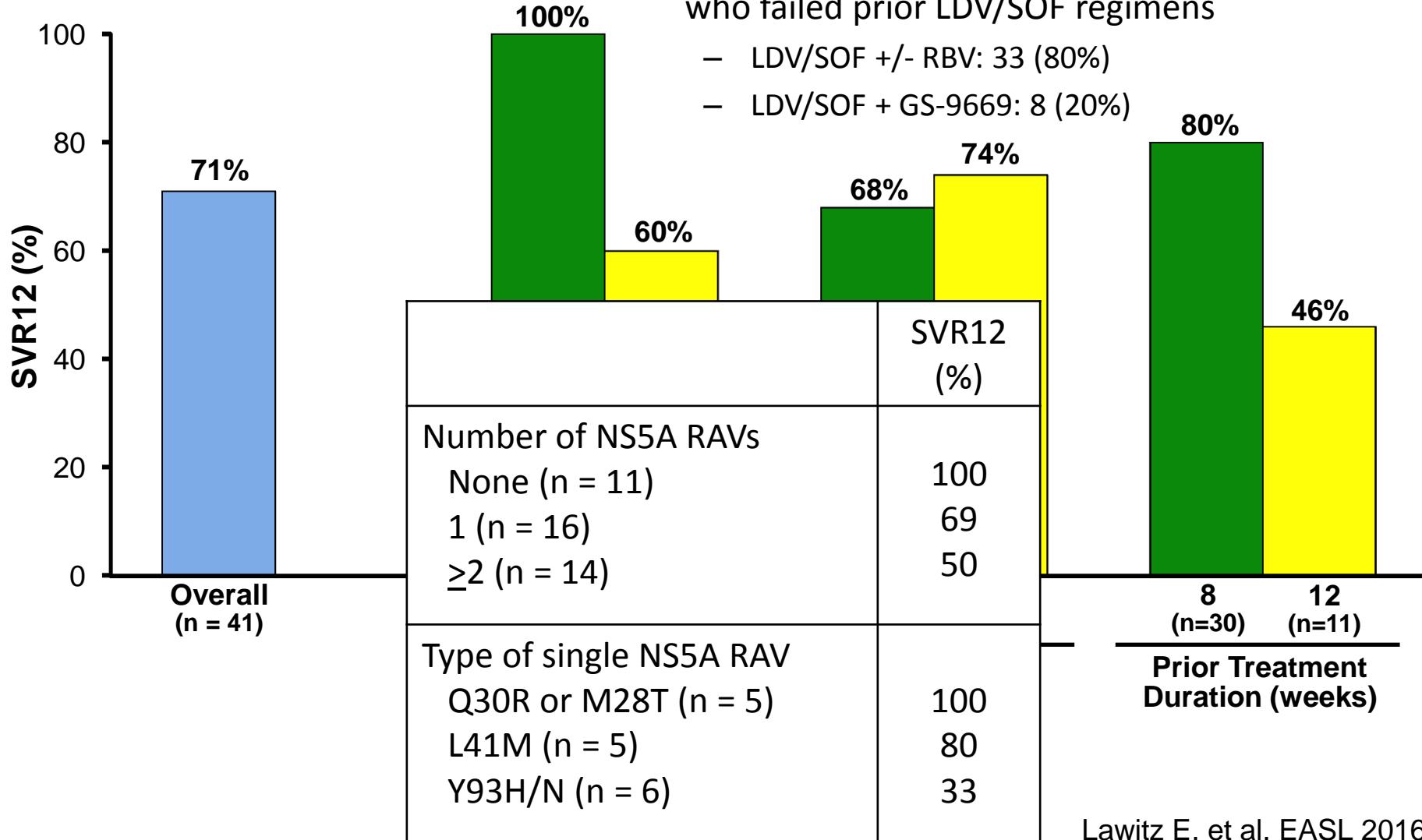
- Pooled analysis of 2,144 participants of phase 2/3 studies
- 16% with detectable NS5A RAS at baseline



Baseline NS5A RASs have minimal effects on SVR to LDV/SOF, and these effects may be overcome by extending treatment duration or through treatment intensification.

# Ledipasvir/Sofosbuvir for 24 weeks for Previous Ledipasvir/Sofosbuvir Failures

- G1 treatment-experienced patients who failed prior LDV/SOF regimens
  - LDV/SOF +/- RBV: 33 (80%)
  - LDV/SOF + GS-9669: 8 (20%)



Polymerase inhibitor

NS5A inhibitor

Protease inhibitor

# Paritaprevir/ritonavir + Ombitasvir + Dasabuvir

- Indications

- FDA:
  - Genotypes 1, 4 (no dasabuvir)
- AASLD/IDSA
  - Genotypes 1, 4 (no dasabuvir)

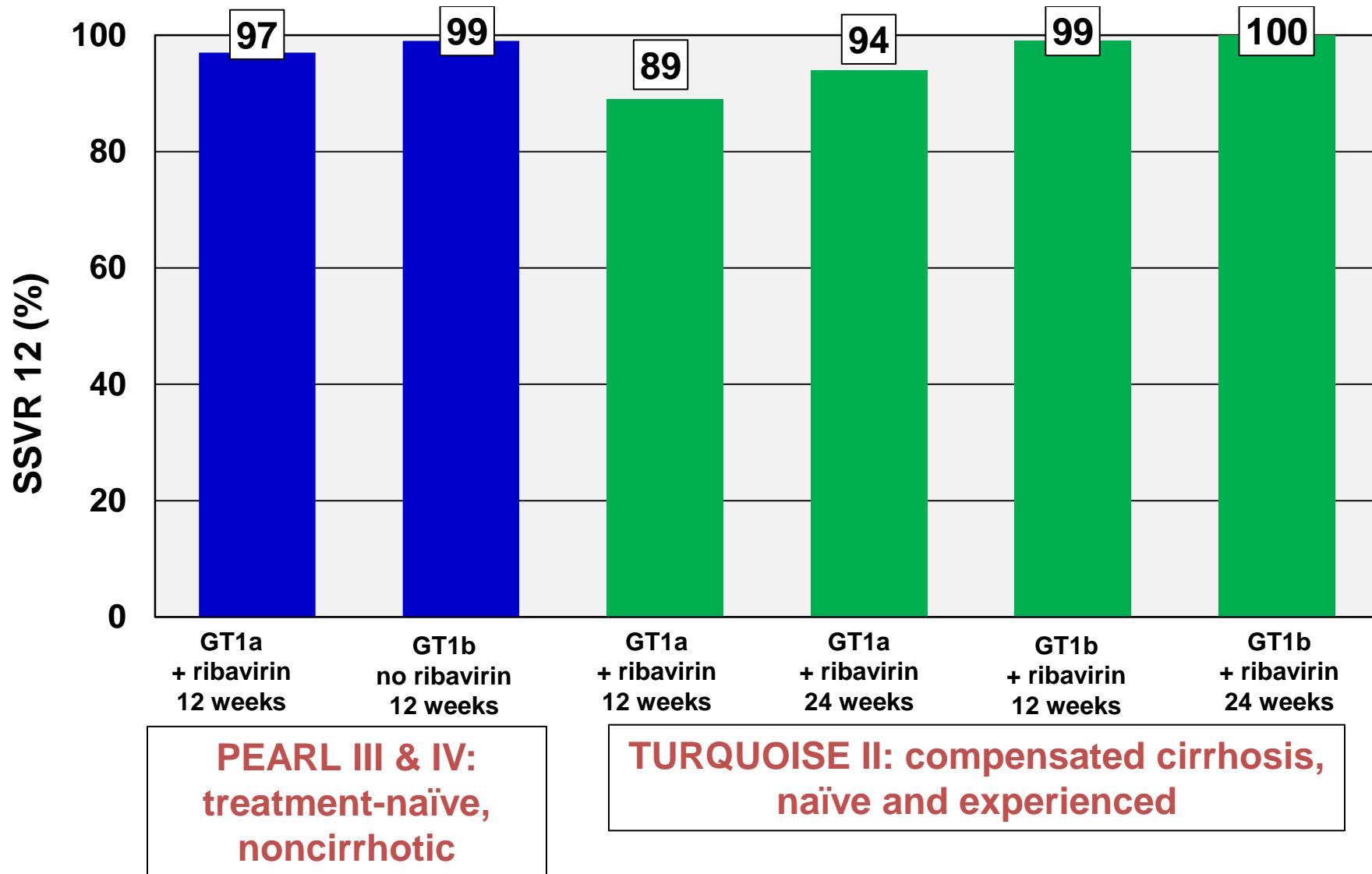
- Benefits

- 3 agents against different targets
- Large development program, including cirrhosis
- Not renally metabolized

- Limitations

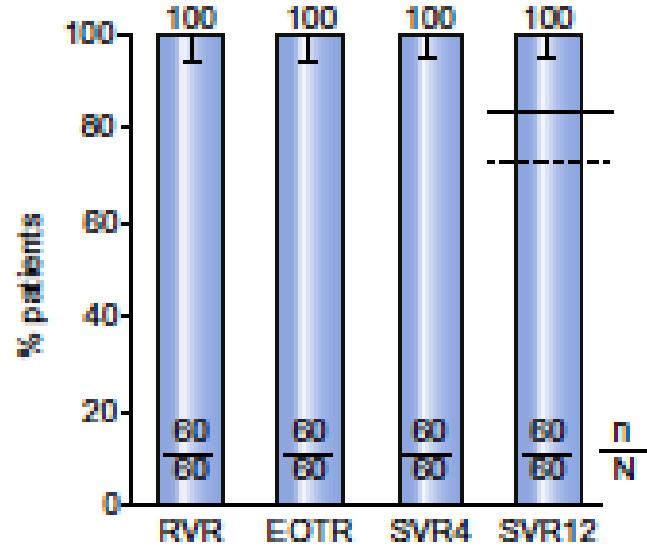
- Ribavirin for genotype 1a
- Not recommended for decompensated cirrhosis

# Paritaprevir/ritonavir + Ombitasvir + Dasabuvir $\pm$ Ribavirin for Genotype 1 HCV



# 100% SVR12 with PAR/r + OMB + DAS *without* RBV for GT1b with Cirrhosis

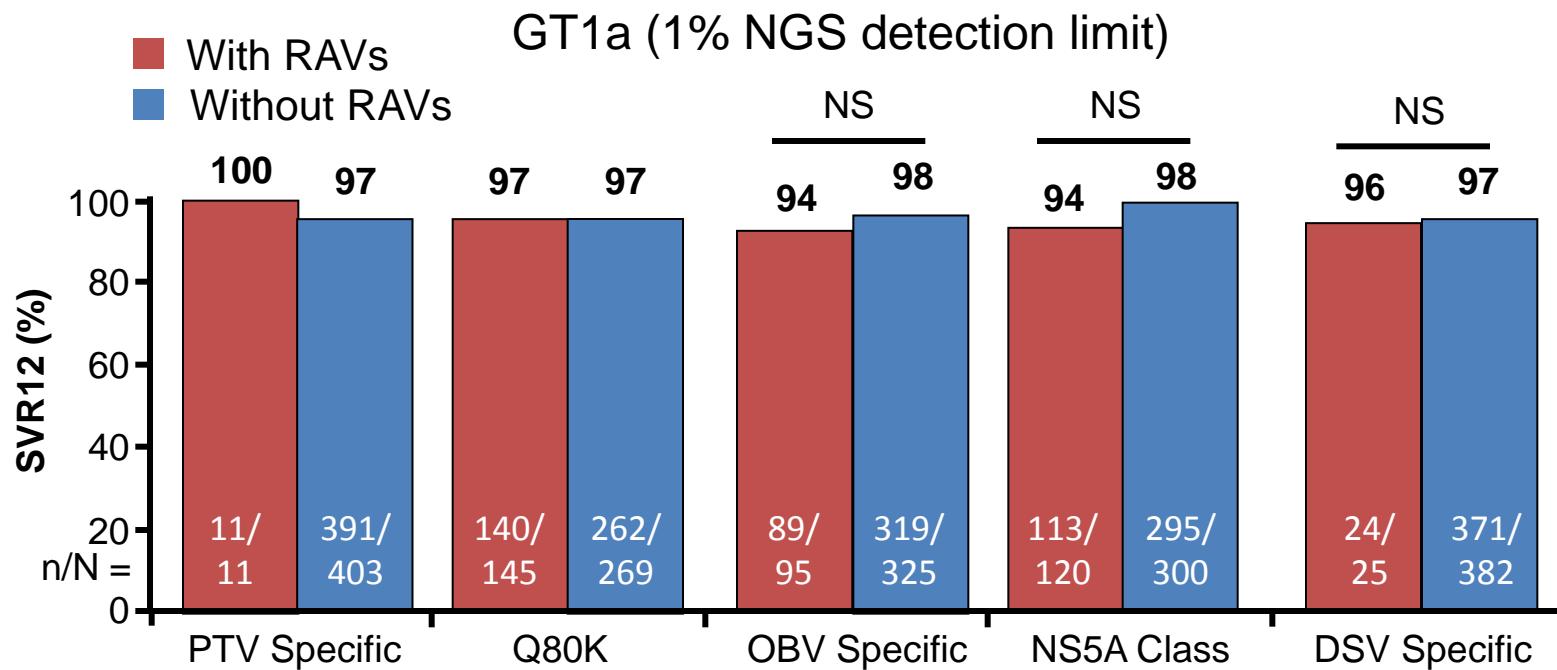
- TURQUOISE III: phase IIIB, open-label, single-arm trial
- 60 patients with compensated cirrhosis
- 55% treatment-experienced
- Most common AEs fatigue (20%), diarrhea (20%), headache (18%)
- One SAE: possible drug interaction with nisoldipine
- 20% with Grade 2 bilirubin elevation



PrOD *without* ribavirin for GT 1b, regardless of prior treatment or the presence of cirrhosis

# Impact of Baseline RASs on Efficacy of OBV/PTV/RTV + DSV $\pm$ RBV

- Analysis of data from 5 phase III trials using NGS; all pts treated with OBV/PTV/RTV + DSV  $\pm$  RBV **on label** (based on subgenotype, previous treatment, and cirrhosis)
  - SVR12 rate 100% in pts with GT1b HCV, regardless of BL RAVs



Polymerase inhibitor

NS5A inhibitor

# Sofosbuvir + Daclatasvir

- Indications

- FDA:
  - Genotype 3
- AASLD/IDSA:
  - Genotypes 1, 2, 3

- Benefits

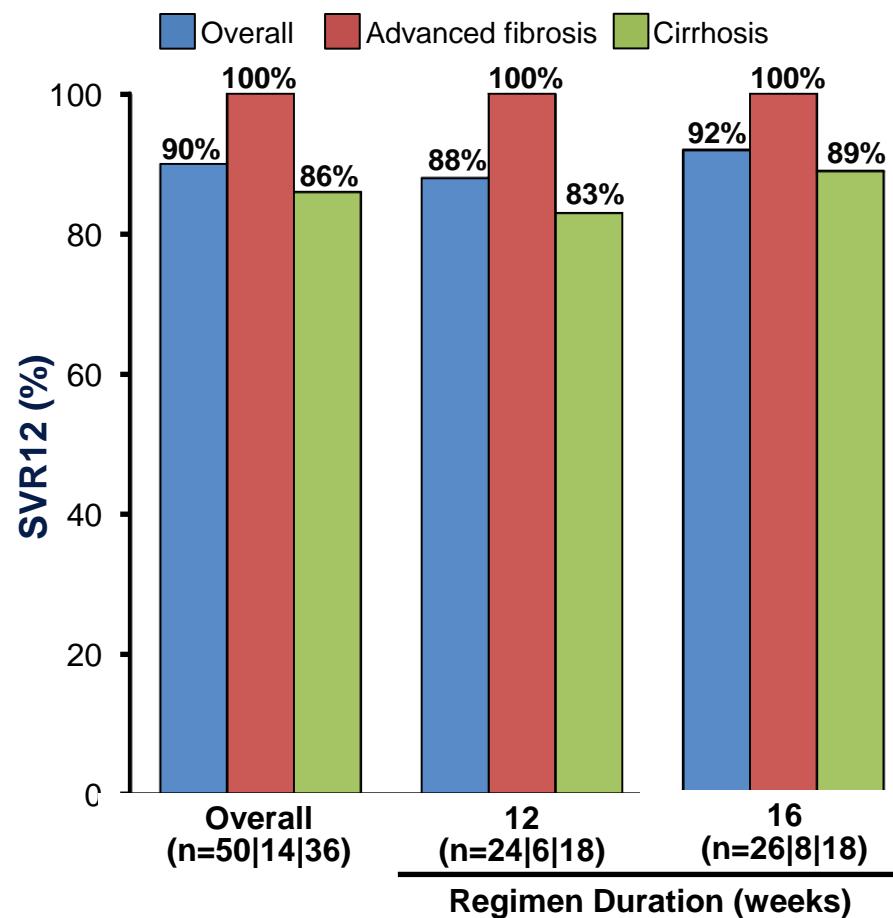
- Pangenotypic
- Flexibility with DDIS
- Decompensated cirrhosis

- Limitations

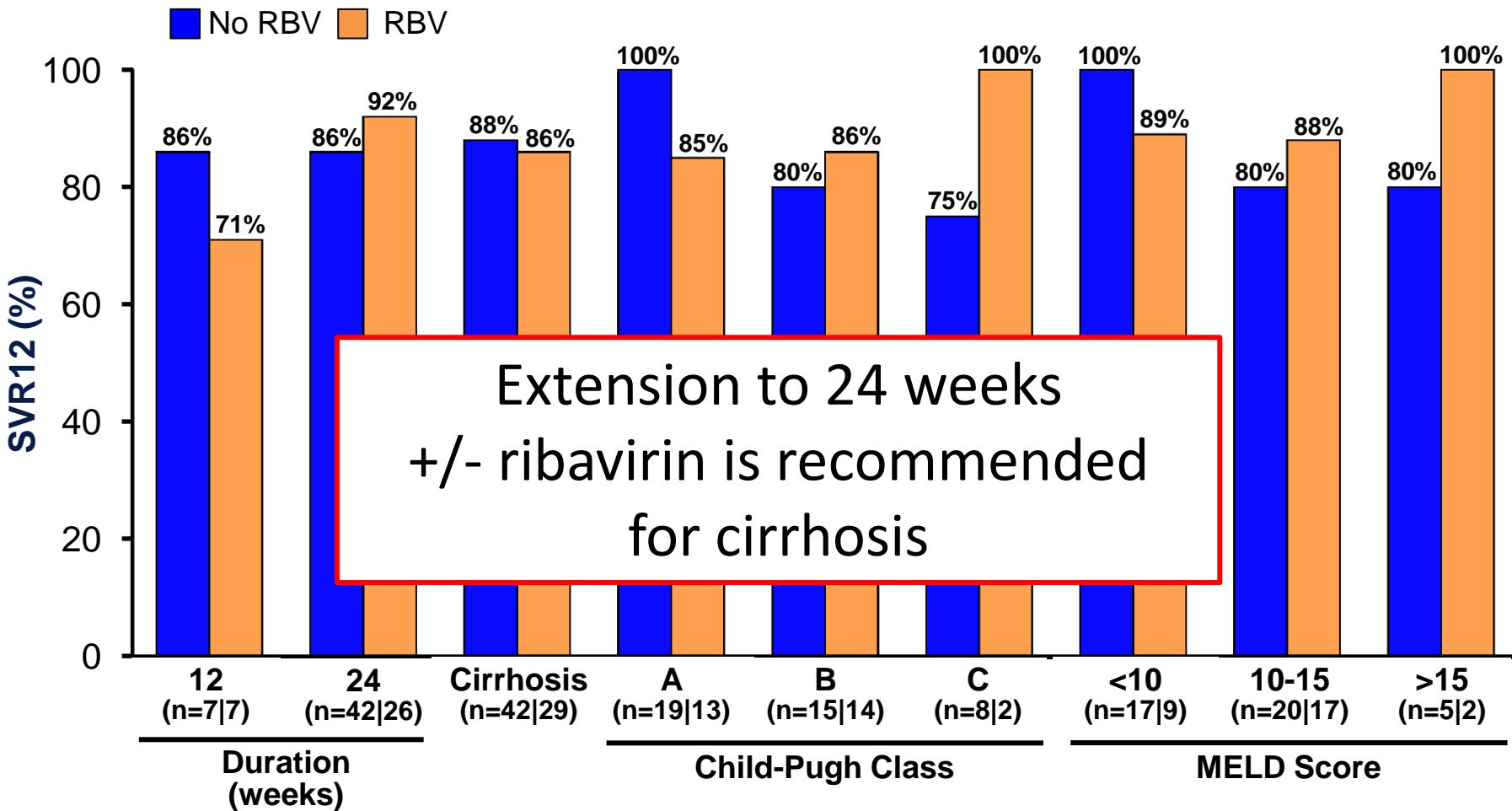
- Access outside genotype 3
- Not recommended in advanced renal insufficiency

# ALLY 3+: Daclatasvir + Sofosbuvir + Ribavirin for GT3

- No virologic breakthroughs
- Relapse (n = 4)
  - All cirrhotics (2 in each arm)
  - All had Y93H RAV at relapse
- Overall well tolerated
  - No discontinuations
  - RBV dose reduction in 12%
  - Treatment-emergent grade 3/4 laboratory abnormalities
    - Hemoglobin <9.0 g/dL 2%
    - Total bilirubin >2.5x ULN 4%



# European Compassionate Use Program: Daclatasvir + Sofosbuvir $\pm$ RBV in HCV Genotype 3 Cirrhosis



Protease inhibitor

NS5A inhibitor

# Elbasvir + Grazoprevir

- Indications

- FDA:
  - Genotype 1, 4
- AASLD/IDSA:
  - Genotypes 1, 4

- Benefits

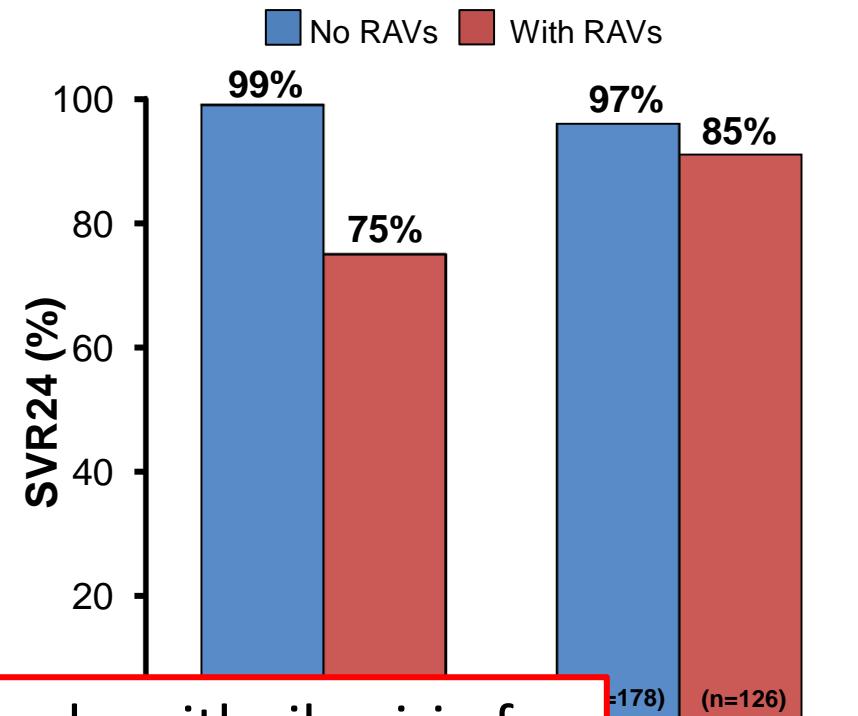
- Approved for use with advanced renal insufficiency
- Low pill burden

- Limitations

- May need baseline RAS testing and ribavirin
- Not recommended for decompensated cirrhosis

# C-EDGE: Final SVR24 Data with Elbasvir/Grazoprevir in TN, HCV GTs 1, 4, or 6

- Phase 3, double-blind, randomized to ELB/GRZ for 12 weeks (n = 316) or placebo and delayed treatment (n = 105)
- Overall SVR24 rate: 94%
  - Genotype 1a/1b: 93%/99%
  - Genotype 4/6: 100%/62%
- Overall relapse rate: 4%
  - 1 confirmed relapse between SVR12 and SVR24
- Lower SVR24 rates in genotype 1a with RAVs at positions 28, 30, 31

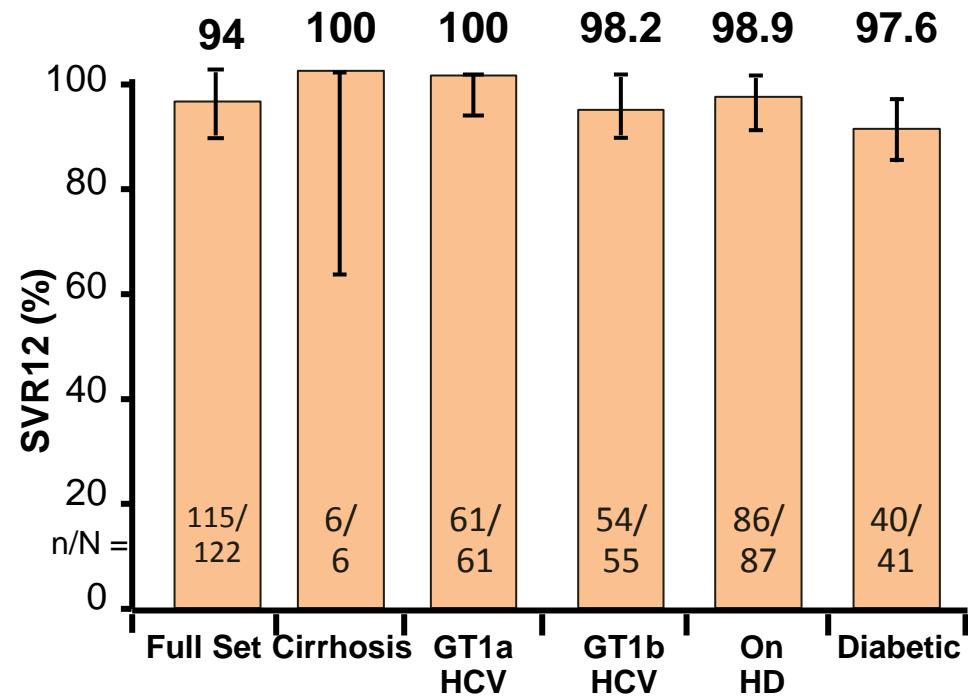


Prolong treatment to 16 weeks with ribavirin for TN and TE genotype 1a patients with baseline NS5A RAVs

Zeuzem S, et al. J Hepatol. 2016;64(suppl 2):S821. Abstract SAT-266.  
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2015;163:1-13.

# C-SURFER: Grazoprevir + Elbasvir in Stage 4 and 5 Chronic Kidney Disease

- 224 patients
- GT 1 HCV
- 12 weeks (randomized to immediate or delayed)
- 6% cirrhotic, 20% TE
- 75% on HD
- Well tolerated, no evidence of worsening of renal function



Polymerase inhibitor

NS5A inhibitor

# Sofosbuvir + Velpatasvir

- Indications

- FDA:
  - Genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- AASLD/IDSA:
  - Genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

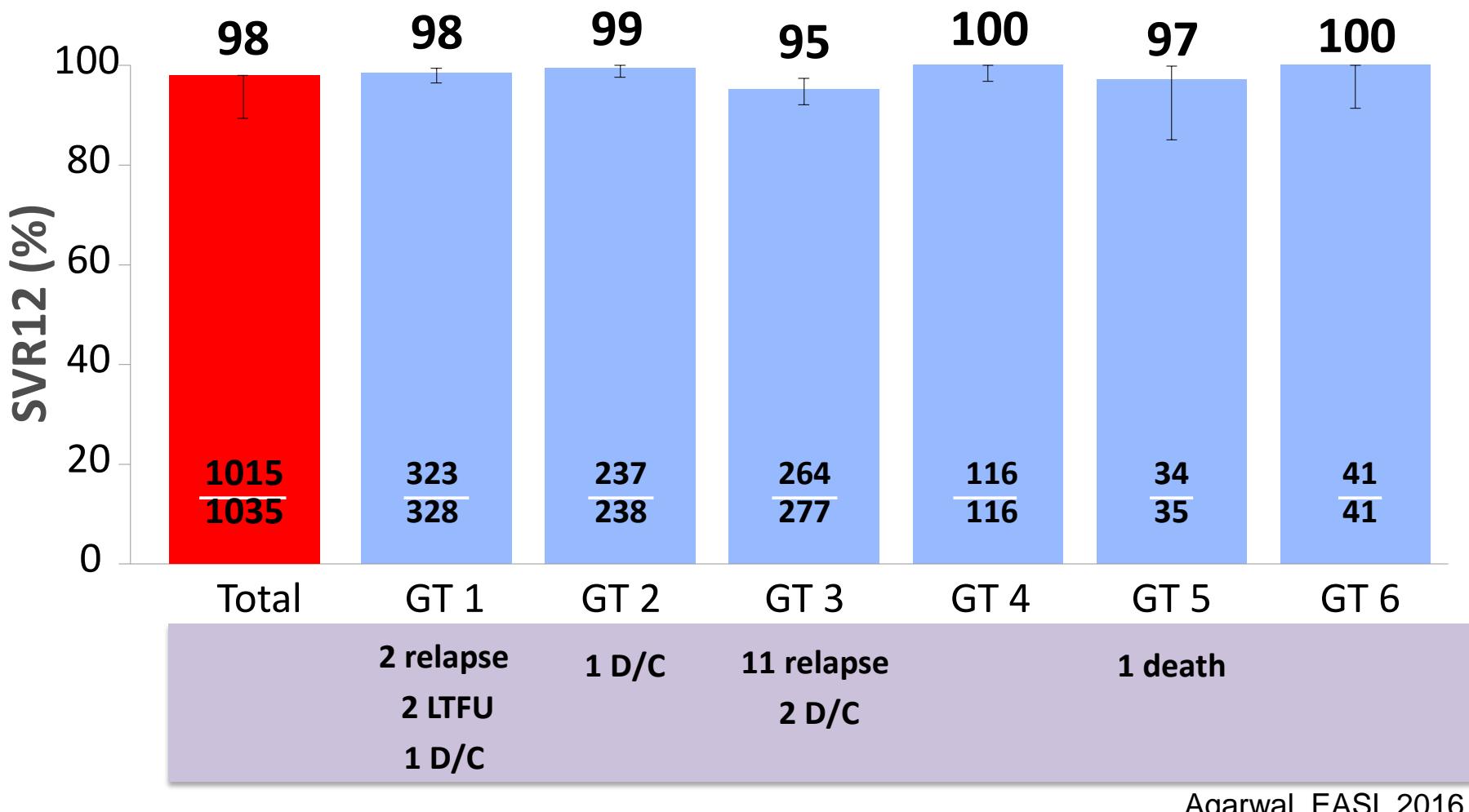
- Benefits

- Pangenotypic
- Regimen for many treatment failure patients
- Ribavirin-free for many
- Decompensated cirrhosis
- Low pill burden

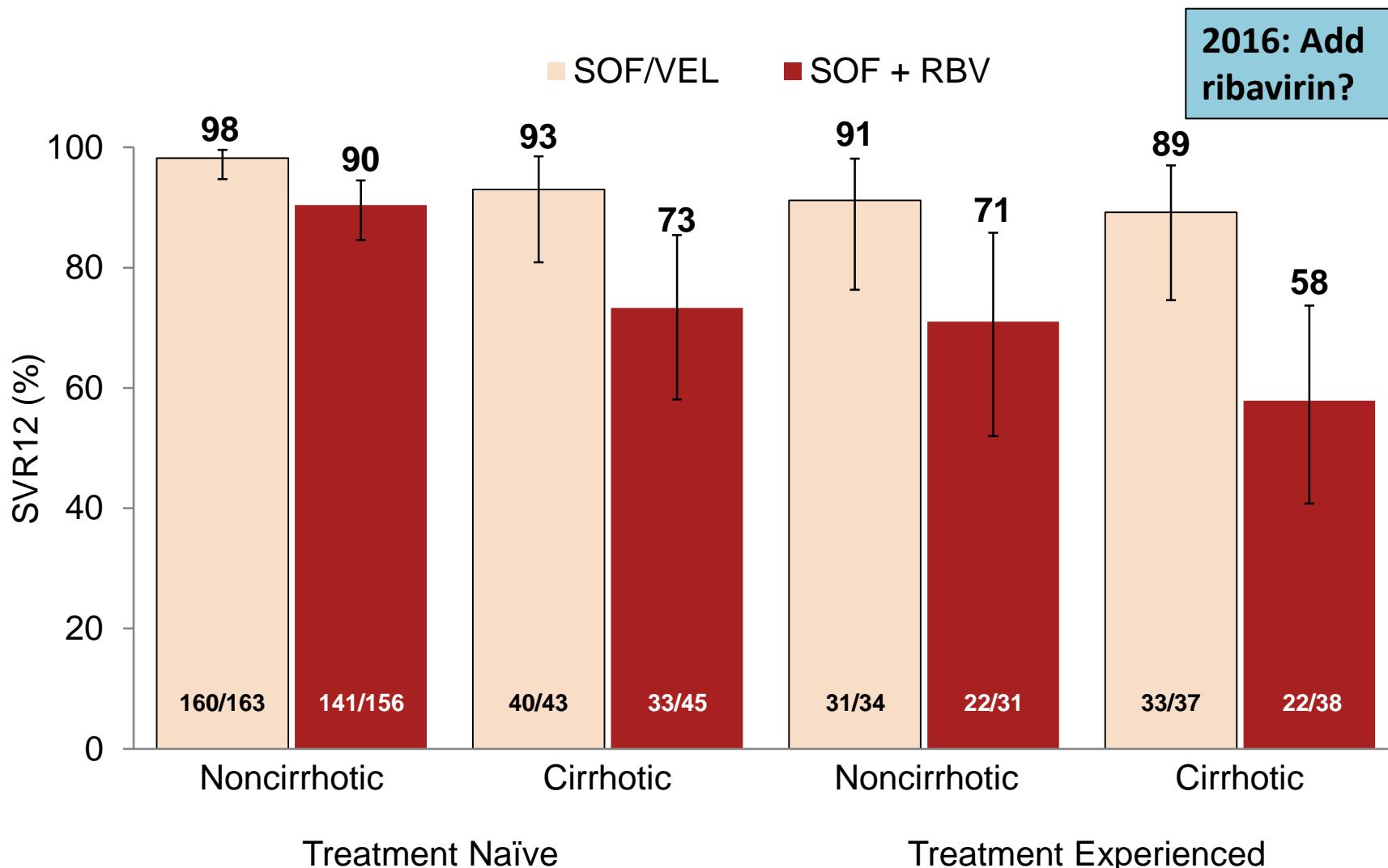
- Limitations

- Access outside genotype 3
- Not recommended in advanced renal insufficiency

# Sofosbuvir + Velpatasvir for 12 Weeks



# SOF/VEL 12 wks vs SOF/RBV 24 wks G3



# AASLD/IDSA Guidance

	SOF + PEG + RBV	SOF + RBV	SIM + SOF	LDV + SOF	PAR/r + OMB+ DAS	DAC + SOF	ELB + GRZ	VEL + SOF
GT	NS5B	NS5B	PI + NS5B	NS5A + NS5B	PI + NS5A + NS5B	NS5A + NS5B	PI + NS5A	NS5A + NS5B
1			Naïve PEG/R Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp PI Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp PI Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp PI Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp PI Exp
2						Naïve PEG/R Exp SOF/R Exp		Naïve PEG/R Exp SOF/R Exp
3						Naïve PEG/R Exp SOF/R Exp		Naïve PEG/R Exp SOF/R Exp
4				Naïve PEG/R Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp (no DAS)		Naïve PEG/R Exp	Naïve PEG/R Exp
5				Naïve PEG/R Exp				Naïve PEG/R Exp
6				Naïve PEG/R Exp				Naïve PEG/R Exp

 Recommended

 Alternative

# NS5A resistance

## DAA Failures (prior NS5A Inhibitor)

Prior Regimen	Retreatment Regimen	Duration
SOF + RBV +/- PEG	SOF/LDV + RBV	12-24 weeks
PI + PEG + RBV	SOF/LDV +/- RBV	12-24 weeks
	SOF/VEL	12 weeks
	SOF + DAC +/- RBV	12-24 weeks
	ELB/GRZ + RBV	12-16 weeks
SOF + SIM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Defer treatment unless urgent, pending additional data and availability of newer regimens</li> <li>Test for NS3 protease and NS5A inhibitor resistance-associated substitutions</li> <li>Use of SOF-based therapy for extended duration (24 weeks), add RBV if can tolerate; consider triple or quadruple DAA regimen if possible</li> </ul>	
NS5A		

# Paritaprevir/ritonavir + Ombitasvir + Dasabuvir in cirrhosis

- FDA Drug Safety Communication
- 26 worldwide cases
  - 10 hepatic failure resulting in transplantation or death
  - 16 patients with liver dysfunction
- In most, liver injury within 1 to 4 weeks of starting
- “Transaminase elevations did not appear to be a predominant presentation in the cases with advanced liver disease”

Contraindicated in moderate to severe hepatic impairment (CTP B and C) and monitored closely in compensated cirrhosis (labs at least every 4 weeks)

# HBV Reactivation Associated with HCV DAA Therapy

Query of the FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS) for cases of HBV-R associated with HCV DAAs from 11/22/2013–10/15/2016

Descriptive Characteristics	Data
# of cases/geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>29 cases (5 in US, 19 Japan, 5 in other)</li></ul>
Timing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Temporally related to HCV therapy and occurred within 4-8 weeks (mean time to HBV-R was 53 days)</li></ul>
Baseline HBV viral parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HBsAg+ (n = 13) (n = 12 not reported); HBcAb+ (n = 6) (n = 23 not reported); HBV DNA undetectable/detectable (n = 16/9)</li></ul>
Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Death (n = 2) (due to decompensated liver failure); transplant (n = 1); hospitalization (n = 6); other (n = 20)</li></ul>
Specific DAAs used	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>SOF-based (n = 16); DCV+ASV (n = 11); PI-based (n = 2)</li></ul>
HBV treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>In 16 patients who received HBV treatment, treatment was delayed in ≥7 cases (44%); 1 of these 7 patients died; possible delay in ≥7 other cases (1 had a liver transplant)</li></ul>

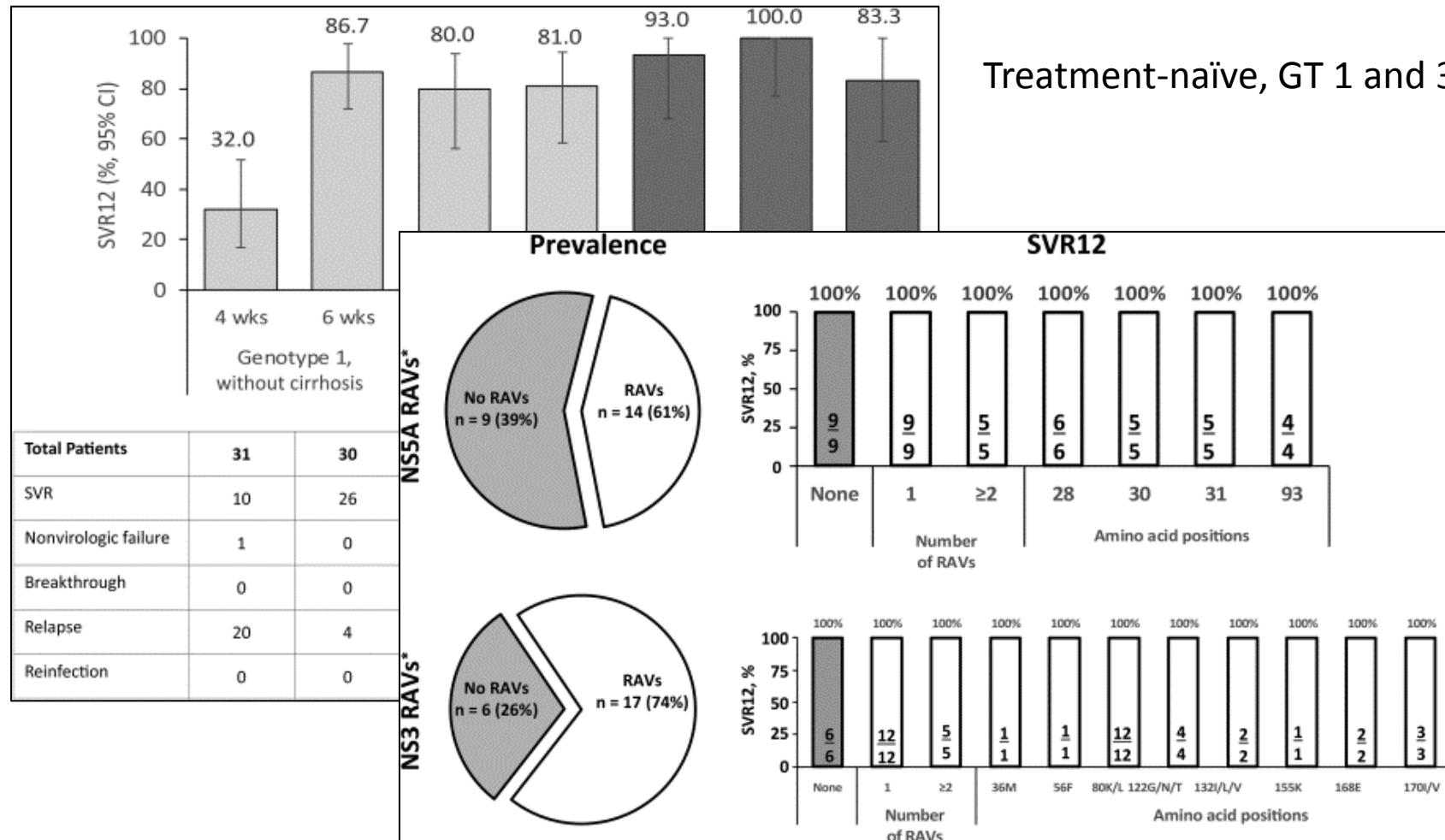
***Health care professionals should screen all patients for evidence of current or prior HBV infection before starting treatment with DAAs, and monitor patients using blood tests for HBV flare-ups or reactivation during treatment and post-treatment follow-up.***

\*HBV-R is defined as the abrupt increase in HBV replication in a patient with inactive or resolved HBV (HBsAg positive or negative, respectively), and hepatitis B core antibody (HBcAb) positive

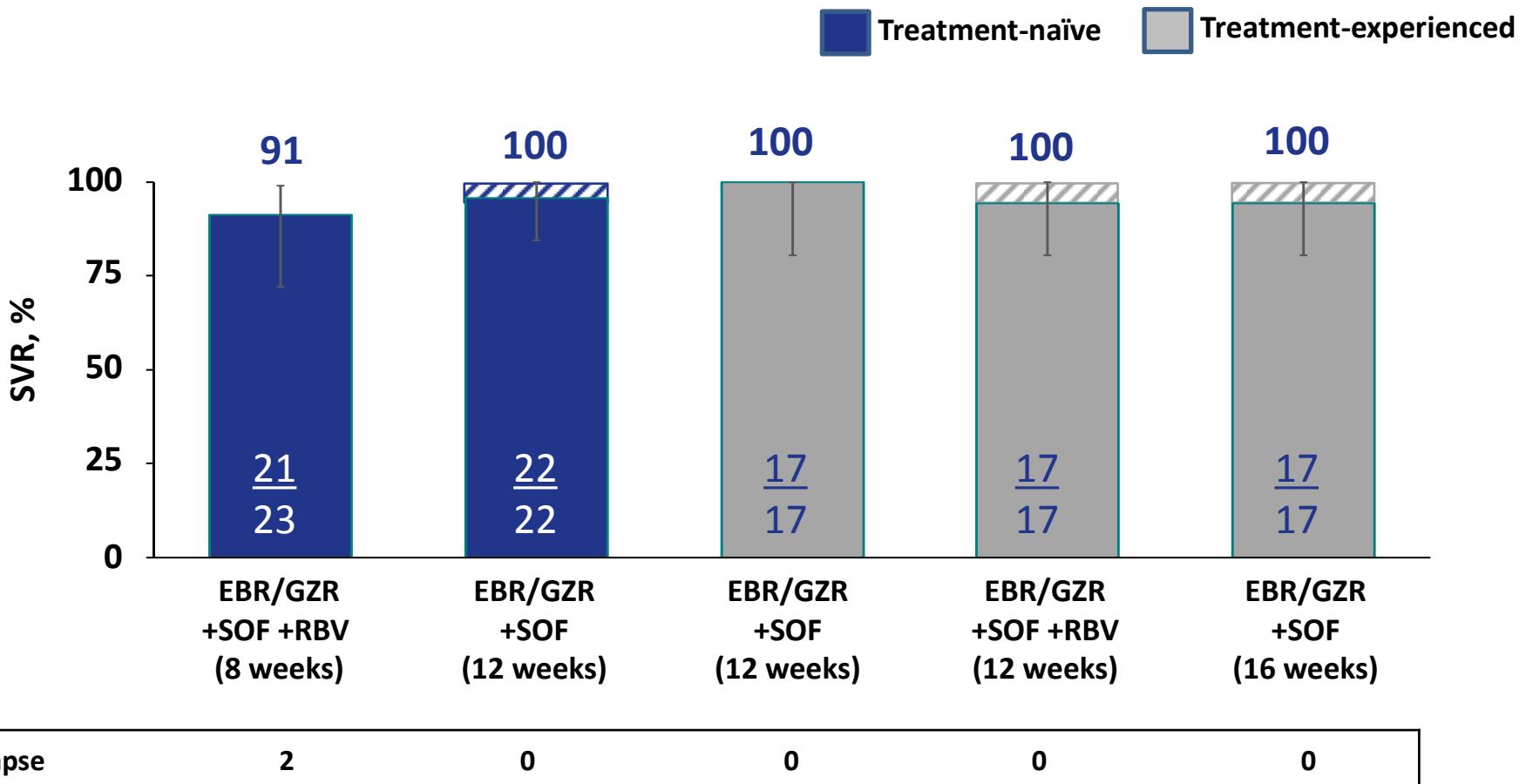
# Remaining Challenges

- Patients who require ongoing optimization:
  - Genotypes non-1
  - High-level resistance
  - Advanced renal insufficiency
  - Decompensated cirrhosis
- Regimen questions:
  - Shorter duration
  - One pill daily, ribavirin-free for all

# Grazoprevir/Elbasvir + Sofosbuvir



# C-ISLE: EBR/GZR + SOF in GT 3 and Cirrhosis



- Modified full analysis set includes excludes patients who discontinued treatment for reasons unrelated to study medication
- Baseline NS5A RAS did not impact SVR

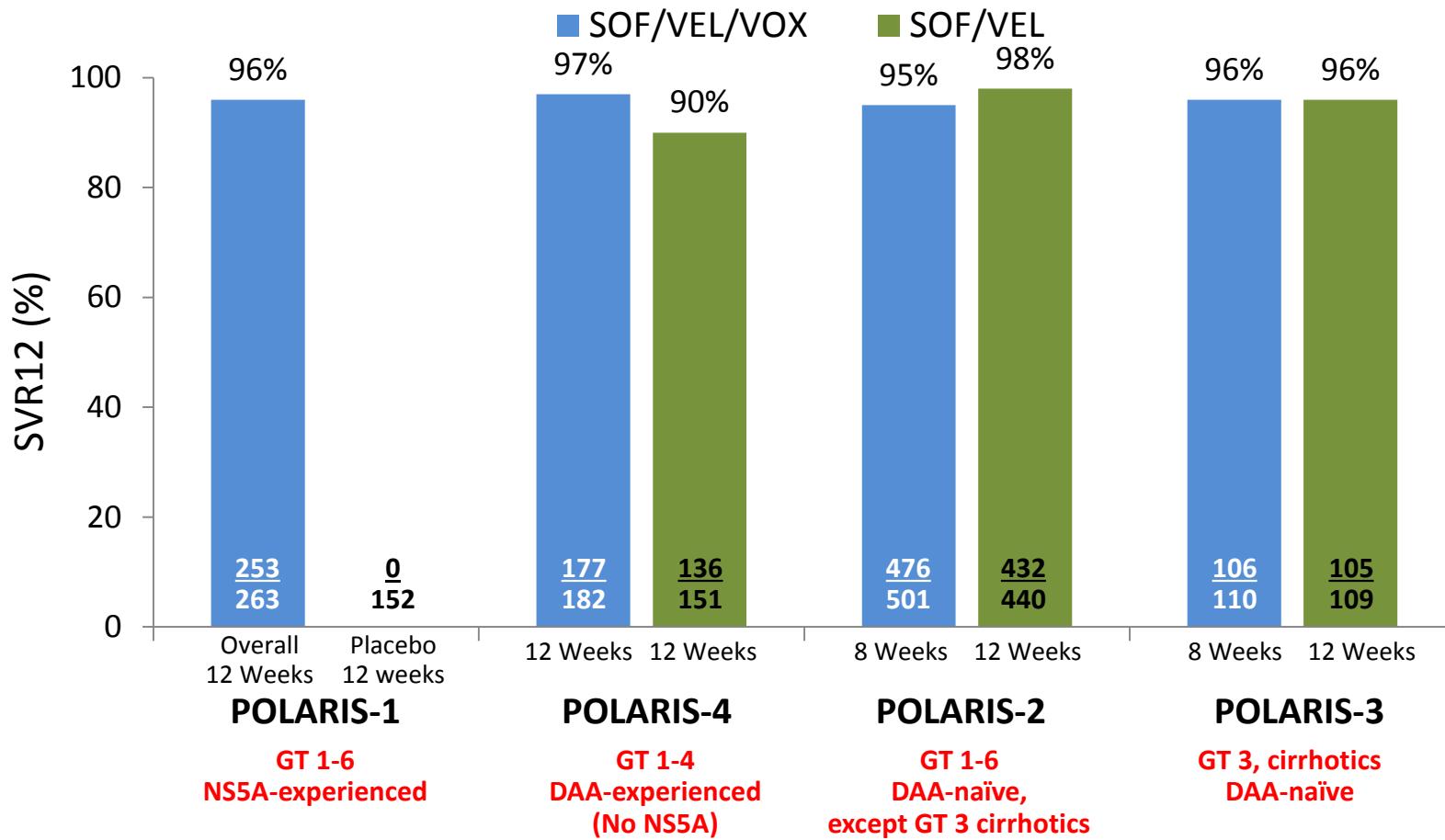
Foster et al AASLD 2016

# DAAs in Late-Stage Clinical Development

	NS3/4A Protease Inhibitors	Nucleotide NS5B Polymerase Inhibitors	Non-nucleoside NS5B Polymerase Inhibitors	NS5A Replication Complex Inhibitors	Cyclophilin Inhibitors
<b>Approved</b>	Simeprevir Boceprevir Telaprevir Paritaprevir/r <b>Grazoprevir</b>	<b>Sofosbuvir</b>	Dasabuvir	Ledipasvir Ombitasvir Daclatasvir Elbasvir <b>Velpatasvir</b>	
<b>Phase 3</b>	<b>Voxilaprevir</b> Asunaprevir <b>Glecaprevir</b>	<b>MK-3682</b>	Beclabuvir	<b>Pibrentasvir</b> <b>Ruzasvir</b>	
<b>Phase 2</b>	GS-9256 Sovaprevir	ACH-3422	ABT-072 GS-9669 TMC-647055	Odalasvir GSK2336805 PPI-668	SCY-635

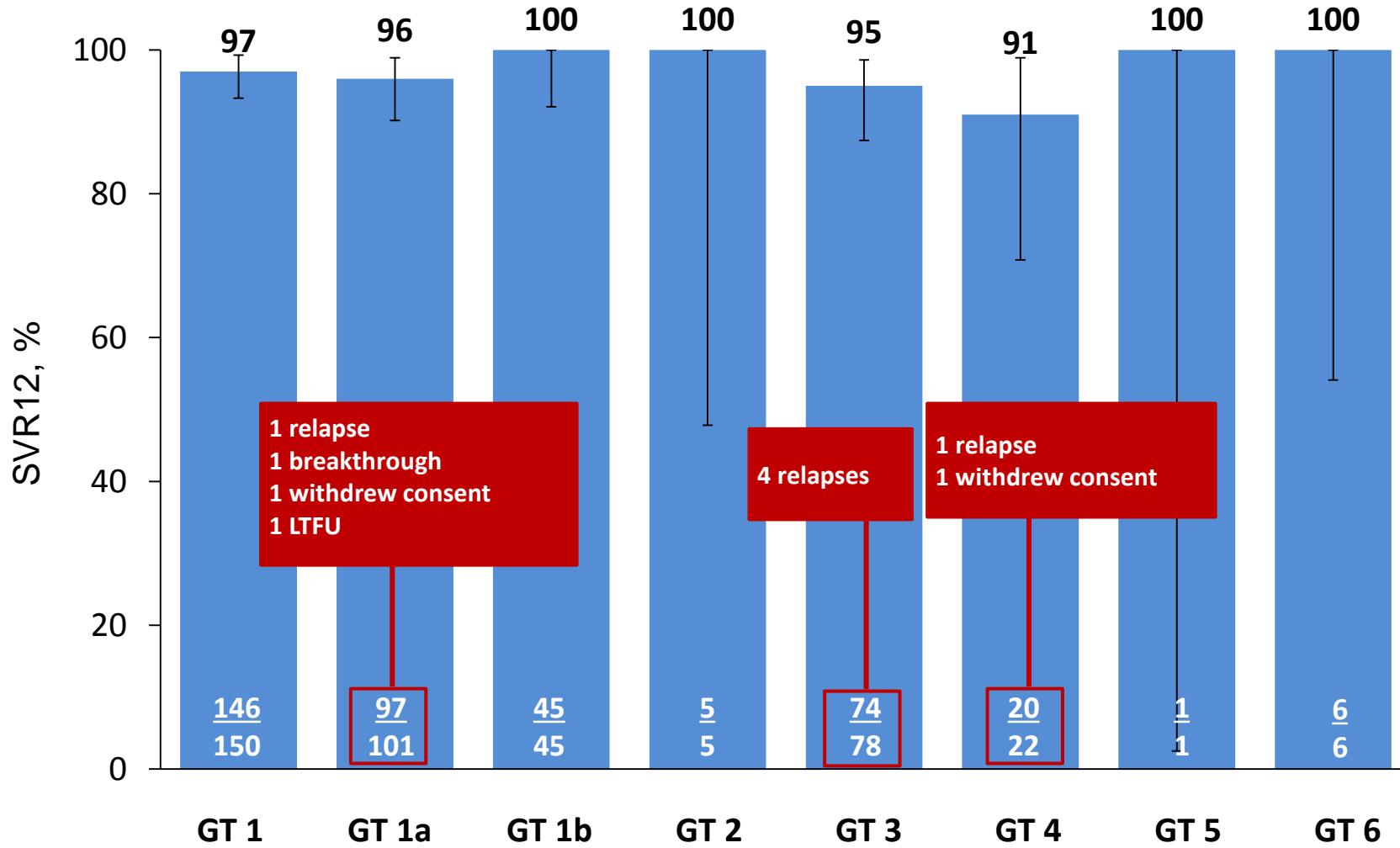
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# Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir/Voxilaprevir

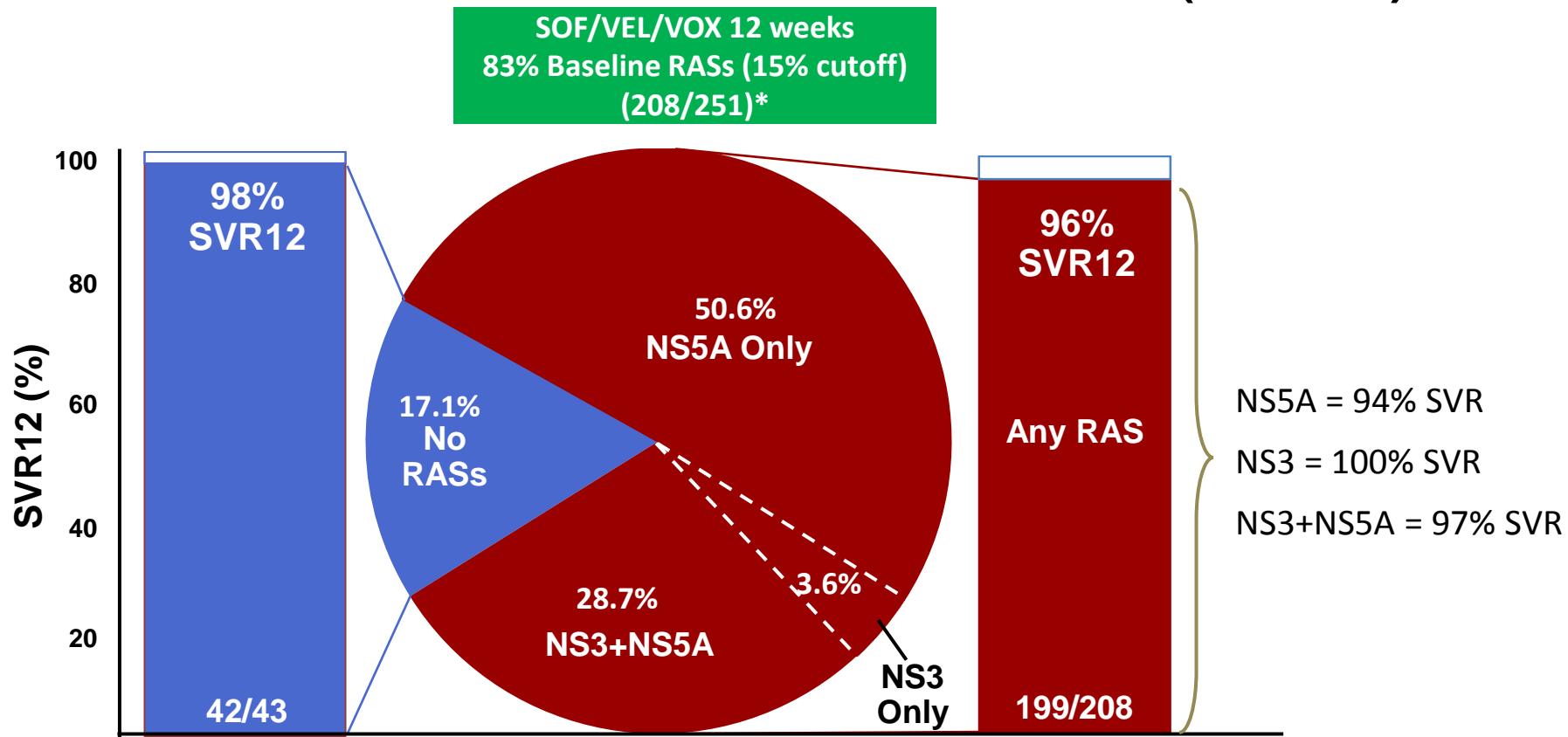


**SOF/VEL/VOX for 12 weeks provides a STR for all DAA-experienced patients and SOF/VEL for 12 weeks provides a STR for DAA-naïve patients regardless of cirrhosis status**

# POLARIS-1: SOF/VEL/VOX for 12 Wks in NS5A Inhibitor-Experienced HCV GT 1–6

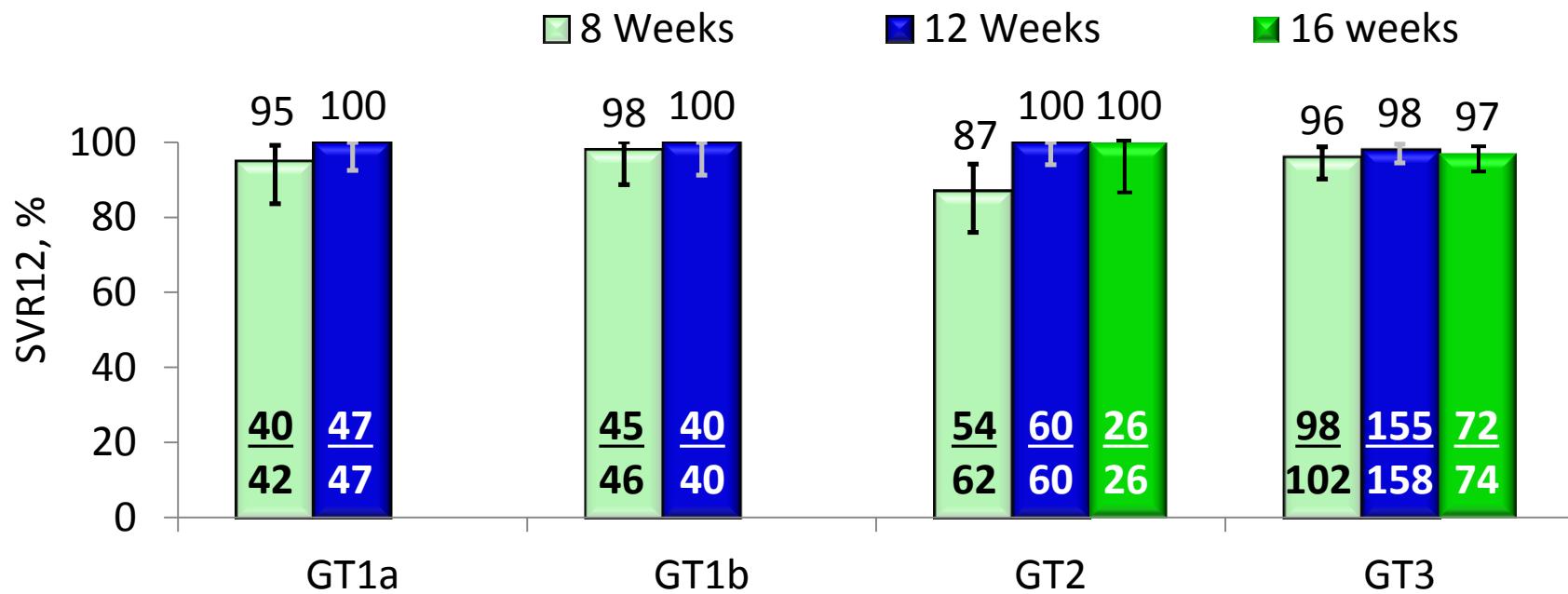


# POLARIS 1: Baseline Resistance Associated Substitutions (RAS)



- 2 patients had S282T at baseline; both achieved SVR12

# C-CREST: MK-3682/Grazoprevir/Ruzasvir (MK3)



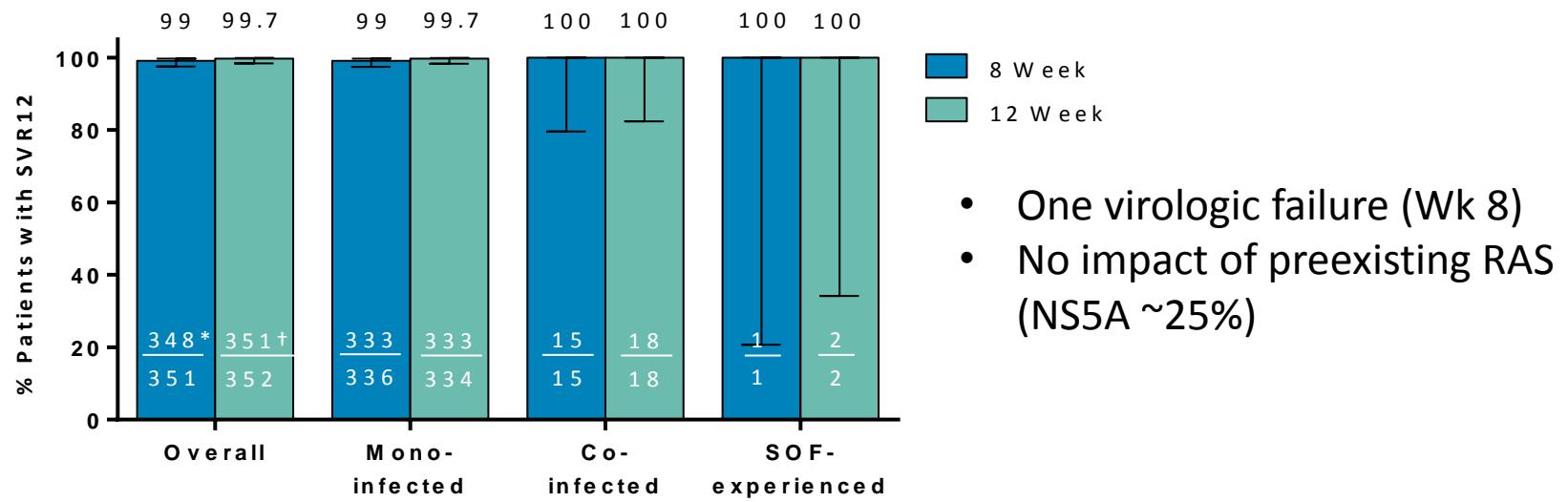
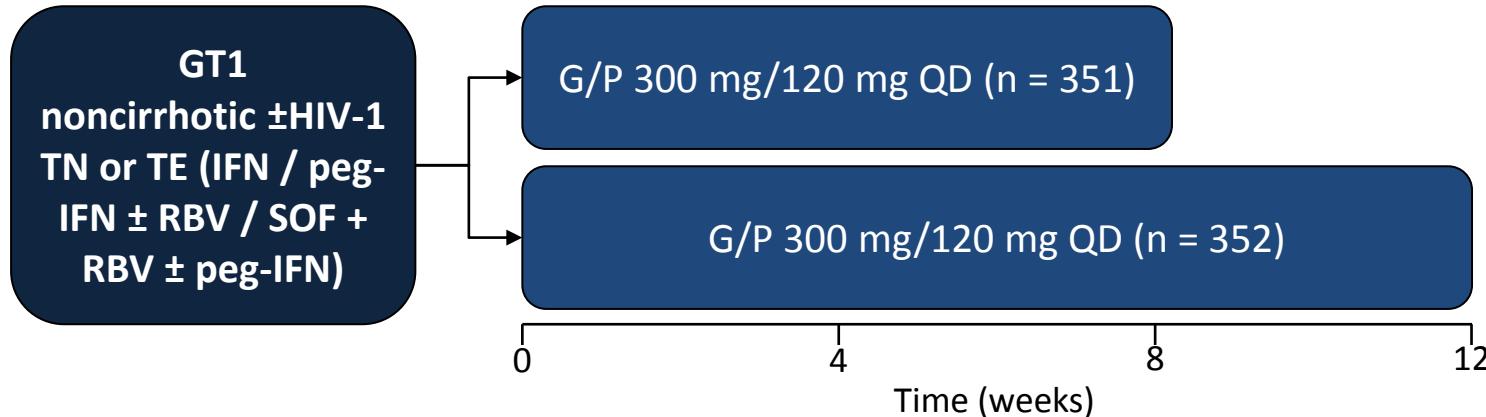
Relapses	2	0	1	0	7	0	0	4	3	2
Discontinuation (DR-AE)	0	0	0	0	1*	0	0	0	0	0

- No difference with ribavirin or based on cirrhosis or prior P/R Rx
- One GT2 patient treated with 8 weeks + RBV discontinued at Day 5 due to drug-related AEs (fatigue, malaise)

Lawitz et al, AASLD 2016.

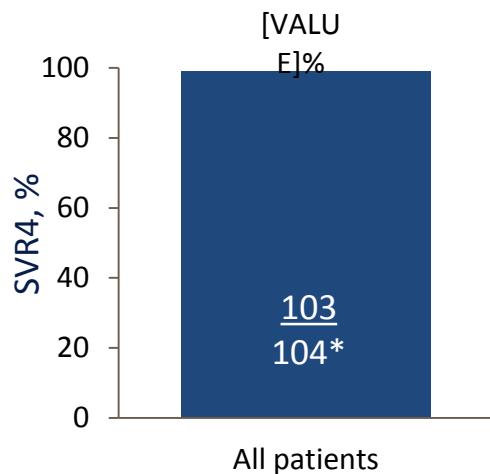
# ENDURANCE-1: G/P for 8 or 12 Weeks

## GT1 Noncirrhotics, no NS5A



# EXPEDITION-IV: G/P for 12 Weeks in Renal Impairment (GFR <30 mL/min)

- 104 patients with GT1–6 ± compensated cirrhosis TN or TE (IFN- or SOF-based regimens)
- eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m



Demographics	Patients N = 104
Treatment-experienced	42%
Compensated cirrhosis	19%
GT1/2/3/4/5/6	52%/16%/11%/19%/1%/1%
CKD stage 4	13%
CKD stage 5	87%
Dialysis	82%

- The patient not achieving SVR4 prematurely discontinued treatment
- 4 AEs (4%) led to study drug discontinuation
- 1 patient died after achieving SVR4 due to a serious AE not related to study drug (intracerebral hemorrhage)

# Conclusions

- HCV treatment continues to rapidly evolve
- Pangenotypic regimens are now available, with additional options on the horizon
- Progressively smaller groups of patients remain underserved by the regimens available
- Controversies remain: impact on liver function, HCC risk, treatment in renal failure, drug-drug interactions
- Expanding access will be the key to realizing the full potential of these DAA regimens to impact HCV-related morbidity and mortality

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