

HCV Case Study

Treat Now or Wait for New Therapies

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Learning Objectives

- Describe current data on approved and experimental DAA's used in combination with Pegylated Interferon and Ribavirin
- Define the benefits and risks of treating now versus delaying therapy for different patient populations

Glenn: Patient Characteristics

- 55 year old male
- Shift worker
- History/risk factors
 - BMI=34
 - Hypertension and dyslipidemia
 - Moderate drinker/cigarette smoker
- Concomitant medications
 - Simvastatin 20 mg/day
 - Lisinopril 10 mg/day

Glenn: Baseline Labs

- Hemoglobin 15.6 g/dL
- Neutrophils 1400 cells/mm³
- Platelets 210,000 cells/mm³
- AST/ALT 55/75 IU/L
- Albumin 4.1 g/dL
- Bilirubin 0.7 mg/dL

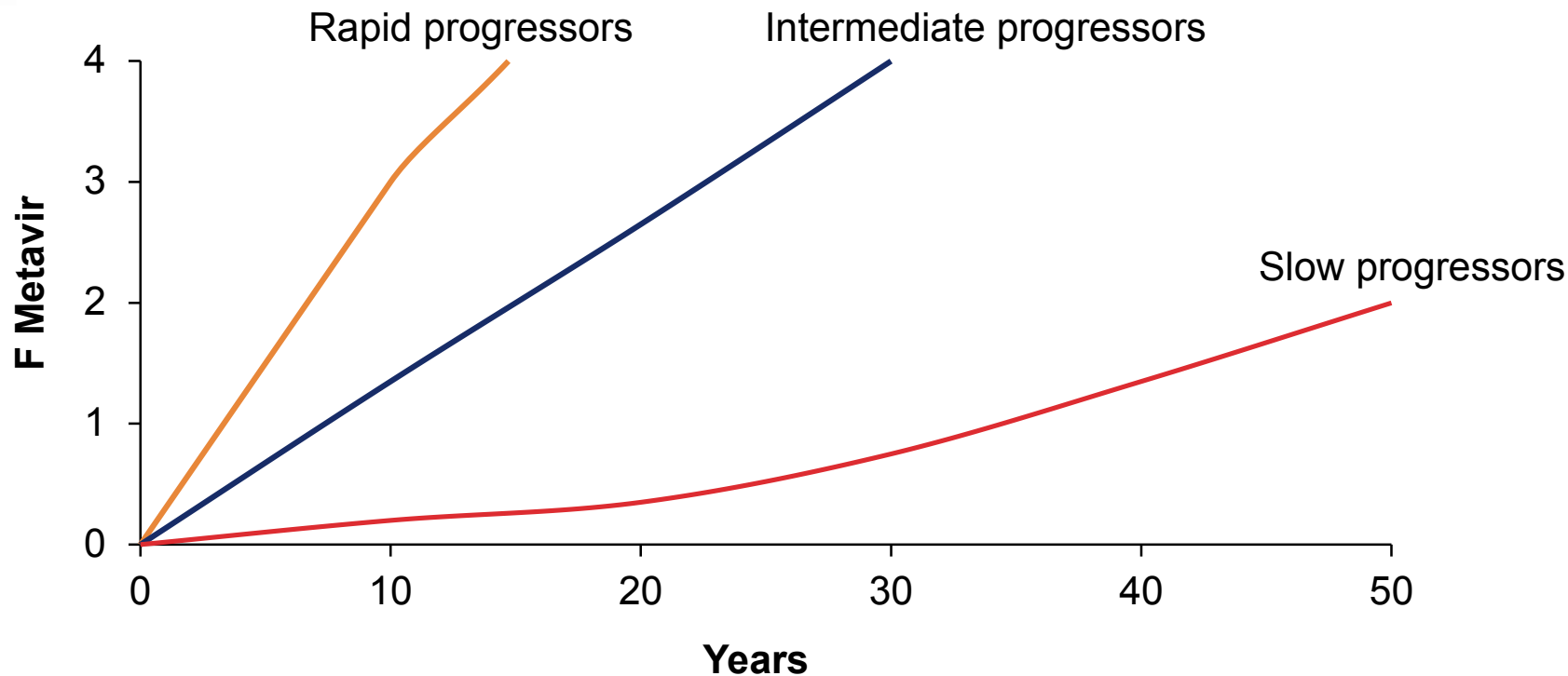
Glenn: Disease Characteristics

- Treatment naïve
- Genotype 1a
- *IL28B* CC
- METAVIR F3
- BL viral load 1,300,000 IU/mL

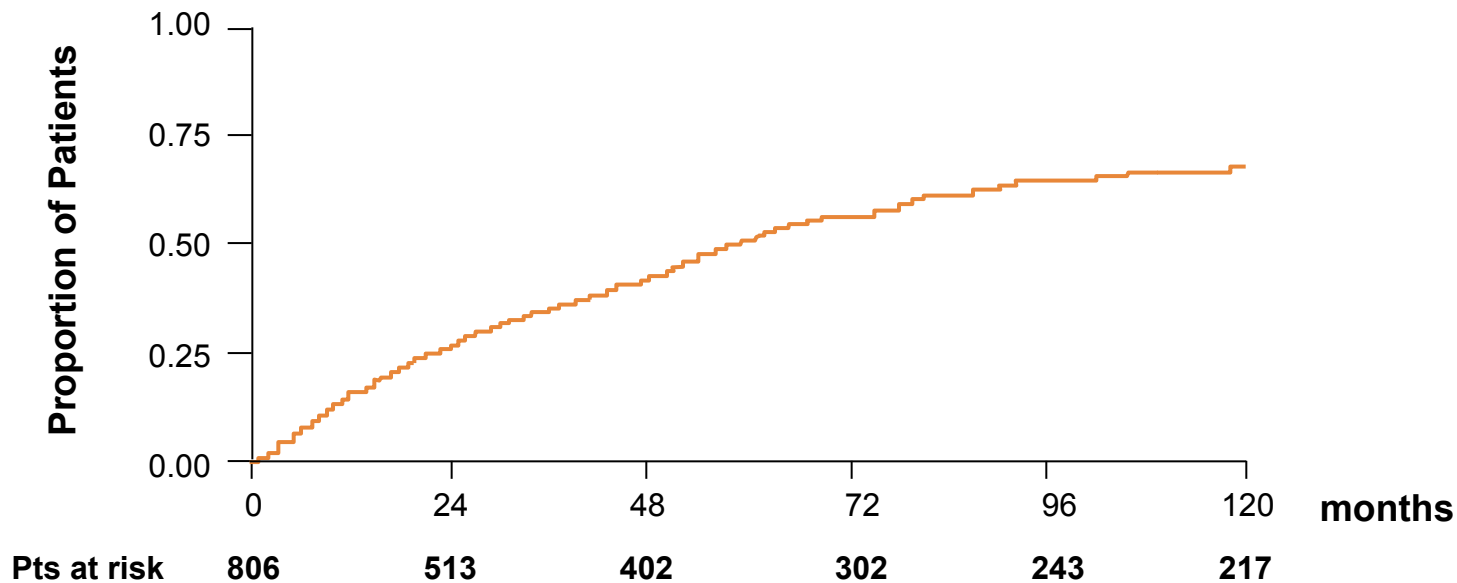
Clinical Decision 1

- How would you manage this patient?
 1. Continue to monitor patient but do not start treatment
 2. Start patient on first generation protease inhibitor/PEG-IFN/RBV

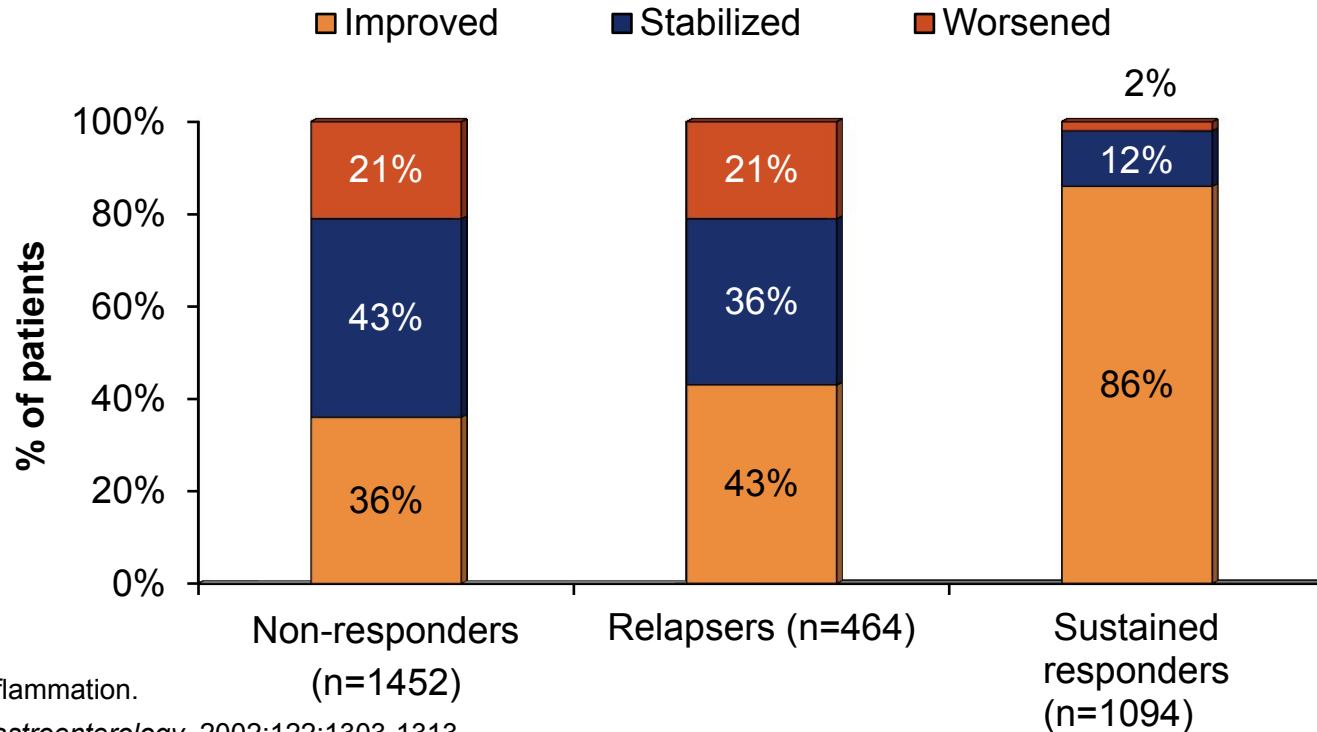
Modeling of Liver Fibrosis in Chronic Hepatitis C n=1157 Patients



Cumulative Proportion of Patients Transitioning from Compensated to Decompensated Stage Over Time



Impact According to Response of 10 Different Treatment Regimens on Evolution of Activity* in 3010 Patients with Paired Biopsies



*Necrosis and Inflammation.

Poynard et al. *Gastroenterology*, 2002;122:1303-1313.

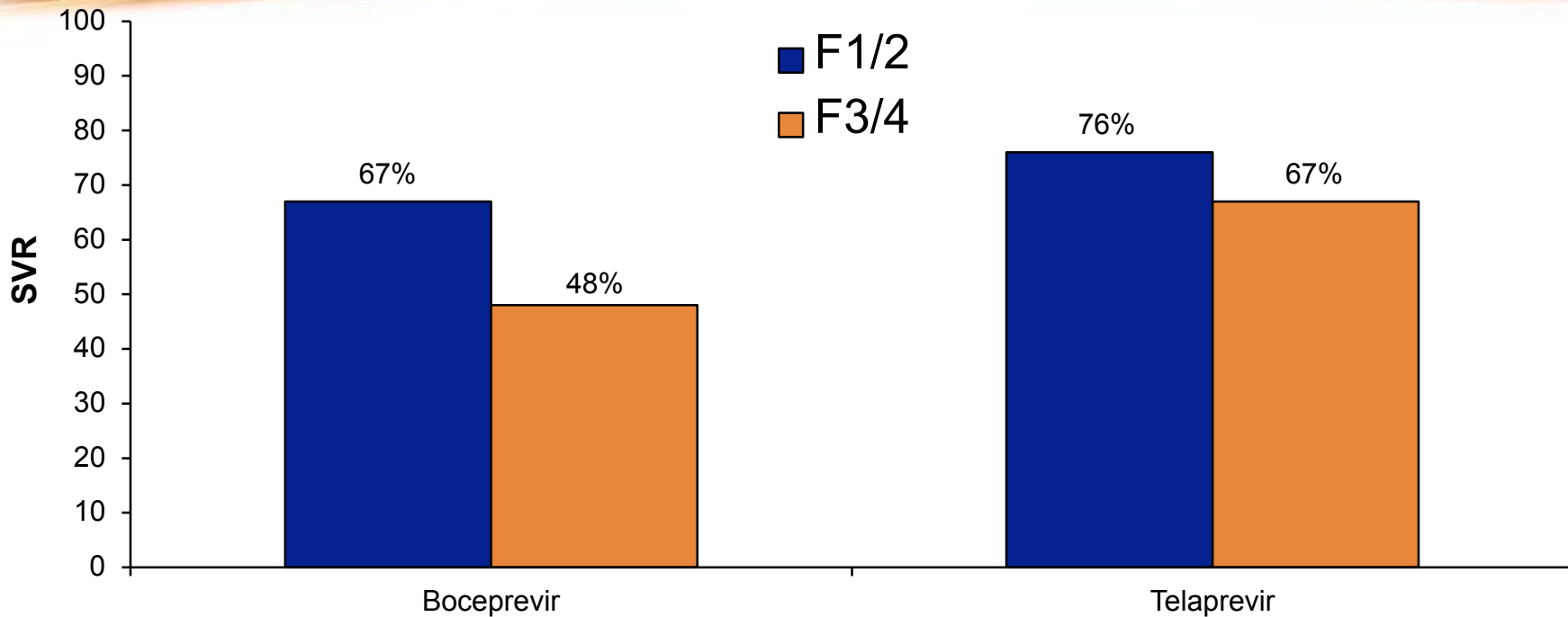
ADVANCE: *IL28B* Genotype Effect on Telaprevir Therapy

	In Patients Tested for <i>IL28B</i> (%)				In All ADVANCE Patients
	CC	CT	TT	Total	
T12PR*	90	71	73	78	75
T8PR**	87	58	59	67	69
PR	64	25	23	38	44

*T12PR = T+PR12 weeks, then PR12 or 36 weeks depending on eRVR status

**T8PR = T+PR8 weeks, then PR16 or 40 weeks depending on eRVR status

SVR Rates in F1/2 vs F3/4 Naïve Patients



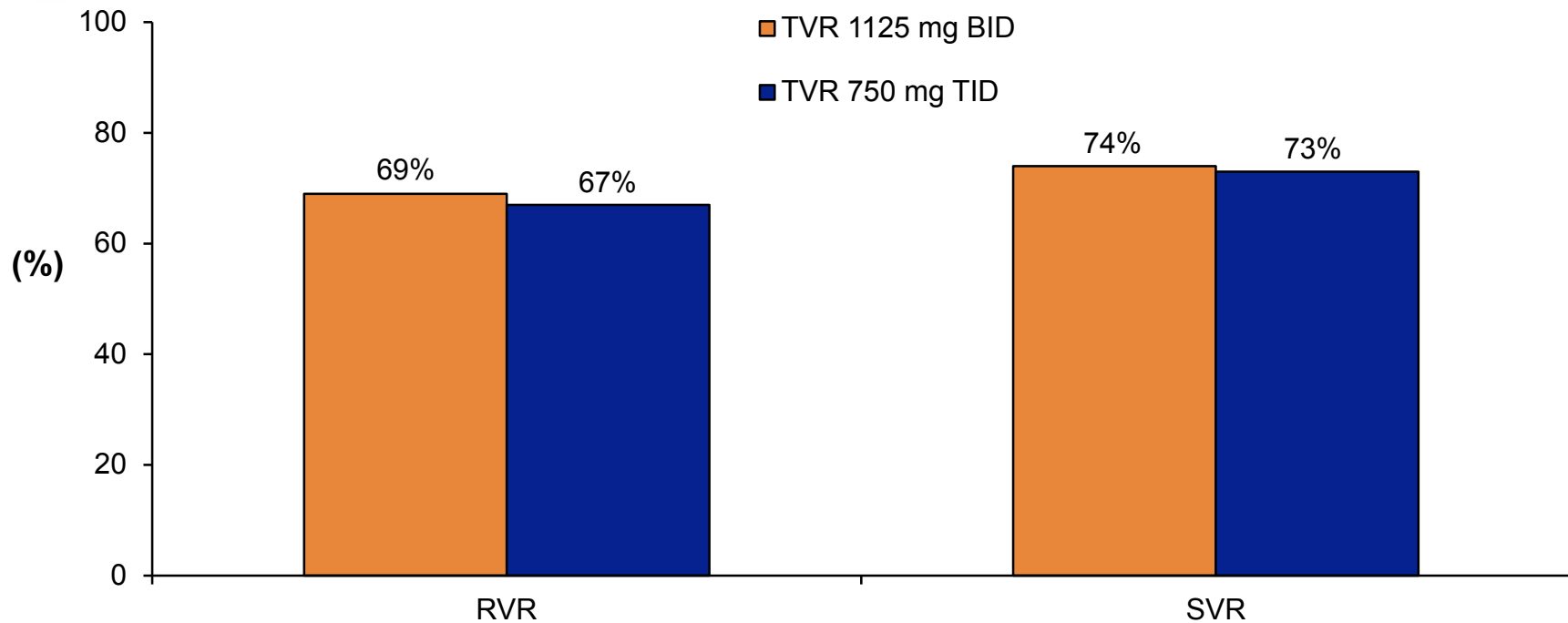
Jacobson IM et al, NEJM, 2011; 364: 2405-2416

Poordad F et al, NEJM, 2011; 364: 1195-1206

OPTIMIZE Trial: Telaprevir BID vs TID

- PR + TVR 1125 mg BID versus 750 mg TID
- Response-guided therapy
- 740 patients
- 29% bridging fibrosis or cirrhosis
- 57% G1a, *IL28B* CC 29%

OPTIMIZE Trial: Results



Should Glenn Be Treated Now?

- F3 disease – risk of progression with waiting
- *IL28B* CC
- Potential BID option is attractive

The Case for Waiting

- Multiple issues with current therapy
 - Compliance – pill burden
 - Co-morbidities
 - Adverse effects
 - New treatments on the horizon

Compliance

Pill Burden



BOC = 18/d
RBV 4-7/d



TVR = 12/d
RBV 4-7/d

Food Requirement



Co-Morbidities

- Cardiac Risk Factors
 - Hypertension, hyperlipidemia, smoker
- Pre Treatment
 - DDI – Statin with TVR/BOC □ likely just stop it
- On Treatment
 - Anemia management □ consider pre-treatment cardiac testing

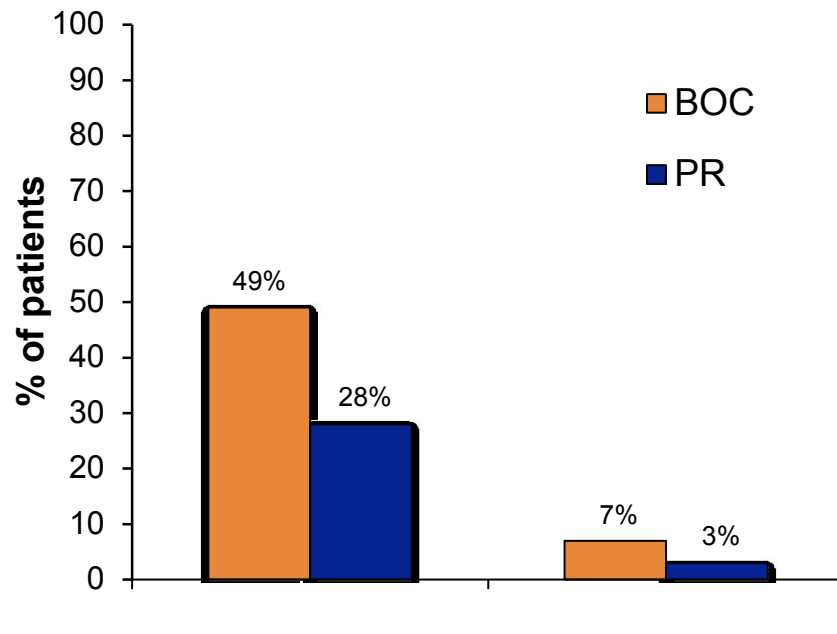
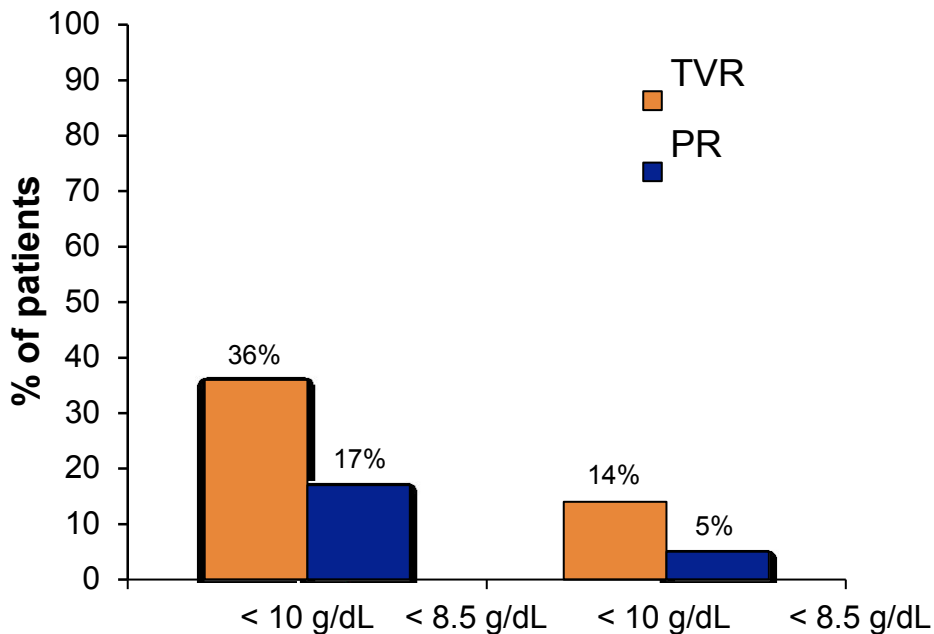
Drugs with the Potential to Interact with First Generation Protease Inhibitors are Commonly Used by HCV Patients

Drug Name	Percent	Drug Name	Percent
Zolpidem *	17.4	Diazepam	7.9
Codeine	16.0	Bupropion *	7.2
Prednisone	15.4	Trazodone	7.1
Tramadol *	14.3	Fluconazole	6.8
Citalopram	13.5	Sertraline	6.4
Fluticasone	13.1	Clarithromycin	6.1
Methylprednisolone	13	Sildenafil (Viagra)	5.4
Alprazolam *	11.8	Clonazepam	5.3
Amlodipine *	10.2	Simvastatin	5.2
Escitalopram *	8.1	Venlafaxine	5.0

New Drug-Drug Interaction Data at AASLD 2012:HCV Protease Inhibitors

- No clinically significant interactions
 - Boceprevir
 - Prednisone (abstract #1896)
 - Omeprazole (abstract #1808)
 - Ethinyl estrodiol/norethidrone (abstract #1901)
 - Simeprevir (TMC-435)
 - Cyclosporine/tacrolimus (abstract #80)
 - Ethinyl estrodiol/norethidrone (abstract #773)

Anemia is a Known Side Effect with First Generation Protease Inhibitor Based Therapies



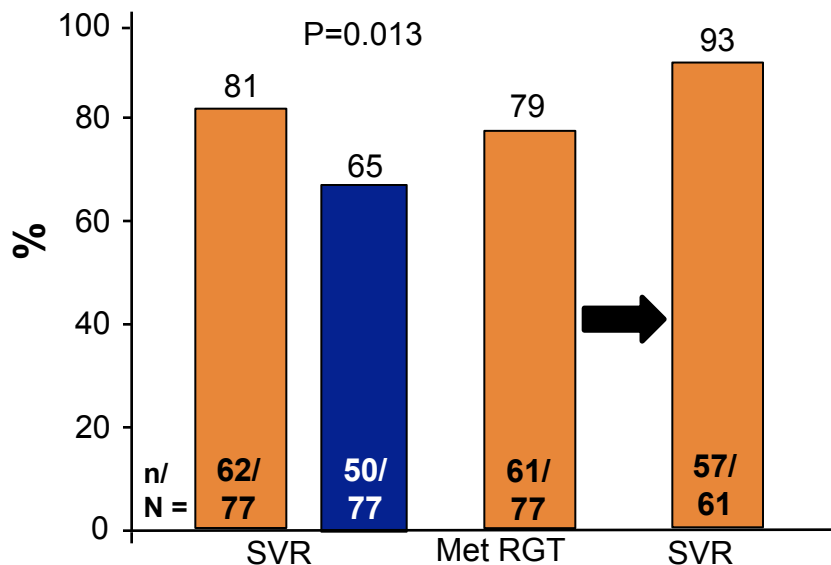
Telaprevir (INCIVEK™) Prescribing Information. Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated, Cambridge, MA. October, 2012.

Boceprevir (VICTRELIS™) Prescribing Information. Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., Whitehouse Station, NJ, November 2012.

Future Options for Waiting? (Short-Term)

PILLAR (G1 Naïve)¹

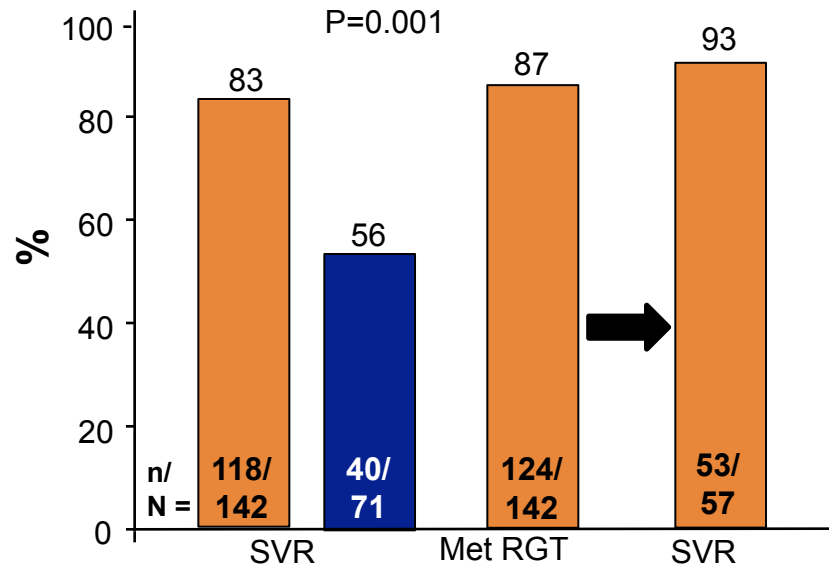
■ Simeprevir 150 mg OD x 12 wks + PR x 24-48
 ■ PR x 48



1. Fried et al. AASLD 2011

SILEN C1 (G1 Naïve)²

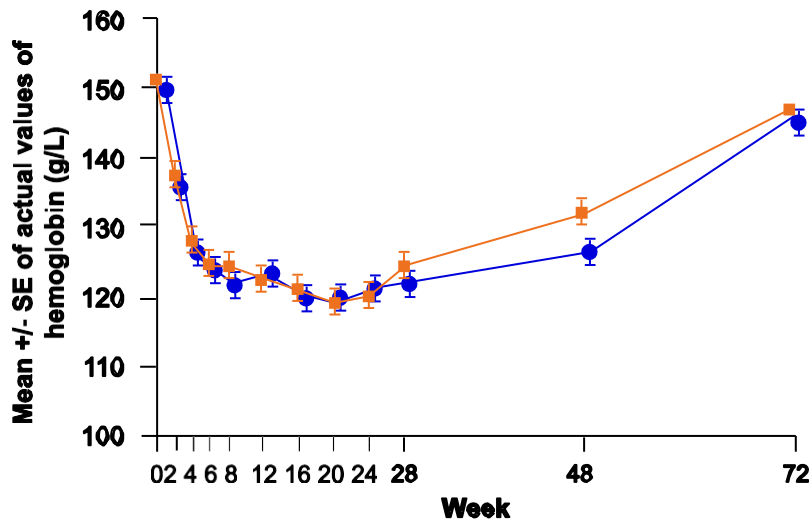
■ Faldaprevir 240 mg OD x 24 wks + PR x 24-48
 ■ PR x 48



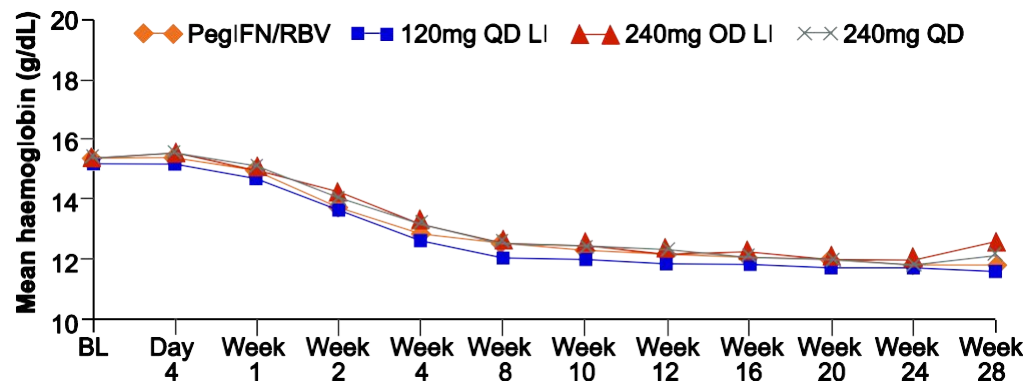
2. Sulkowski et al. EASL 2011

No Incremental Decline in Hemoglobin or Neutrophils with Simeprevir or Faldaprevir

Anemia with Simeprevir + P/R¹



Anemia with Faldaprevir + P/R²



1. Jacobson et al, IDSA, 2012

2. Sulkowski et al, EASL 2011

Select Oral Direct Acting Antivirals in Development for the Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C, 2012

Compound	Sponsor	Activity
ABT-267	Abbott	NS5A inhibitor
ABT-333	Abbott	Non-nucleoside NS5B polymerase inhibitor
ABT-450	Abbott	NS3/4A protease inhibitor
Faldaprevir (BI201335)	Boehringer Ingelheim	NS3/4A protease inhibitor
BI207127	Boehringer Ingelheim	Non-nucleoside NS5B polymerase inhibitor

Select Oral Direct Acting Antivirals in Development for the Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C, 2012 (cont)

Compound	Sponsor	Activity
Asunaprevir (BMS-650032)	Bristol-Myers Squibb	NS3 protease inhibitor
Daclatasvir (BMS-790052)	Bristol-Myers Squibb	NS5A replication complex inhibitor
BMS-791325	Bristol-Myers Squibb	Non-nucleoside NS5B polymerase inhibitor
Sofosbuvir (GS-7977)	Gilead	Uridine nucleotide analog NS5B polymerase inhibitor
GS-5885	Gilead	NS5A protein inhibitor

Not all-inclusive, but indicates drugs covered in this presentation

Should Glenn Delay Treatment?

- *IL28B* CC □ ~80% chance of shortened therapy
 - 80-90% chance of SVR
- F3 disease – risk of progression with waiting
- No clear issues with IFN
- Seems anxious and willing to be treated now
- I would suggest treatment

Glenn: On Treatment Response

- Glenn was started on TVR/PEG/RBV
- TW4 and TW12
 - HCV RNA undetectable

Clinical Decision 2

- Which regimen should Glenn receive?
 1. 12 weeks TVR/PEG/RBV
 2. 12 weeks TVR/PEG/RBV + 12 weeks PEG/RBV
 3. 12 weeks TVR/PEG/RBV + 24 weeks PEG/RBV
 4. 12 weeks TVR/PEG/RBV + 36 weeks PEG/RBV
 5. 24 weeks TVR/PEG/RBV

Recommended Treatment Duration

Treatment-Naïve and Prior Relapse Patients			
HCV-RNA	Triple Therapy TVR/Peg-IFN/RBV	Dual Therapy Peg-IFN/RBV	Total Treatment Duration
Undetectable at TW4 and TW12	First 12 weeks	Additional 12 weeks	24 weeks
Detectable (≤ 1000 IU/mL) at TW4 and/or TW12	First 12 weeks	Additional 36 weeks	48 weeks

HCV-RNA Levels and Lab Assays

- “Undetectable” (or “target not detected”) result is required for assessing RGT eligibility
- Below LLOQ but still “detectable” is not sufficient to shorten therapy—ie, patient should continue for full 48 wks

LLOQ Values for Various Assays*

Assay Name	LLOQ
Roche COBAS® AmpliPrep/COBAS® Taqman® HCV Test	43 IU/mL
Roche COBAS® Taqman® HCV Test, v2.0	25 IU/mL [†]
Abbott RealTime HCV Assay	12 IU/mL

*Package Inserts state the “the assay should have a lower limit of HCV-RNA quantification \leq 25 IU/mL and a limit of HCV-RNA detection of approximately 10-15 IU/mL.

[†] Usually considered 25 IU/mL, but 23 IU/mL per FDA-approved label.

Conclusions

- Many chronic hepatitis C patients are good candidates for treatment today
- The HCV pipeline is promising with potential new treatment modalities in the near future
- Physicians should carefully consider individual patient characteristics when deciding whether to initiate or delay treatment