

**“The science of treatment and prevention
– What do we know, what are the gaps”.**



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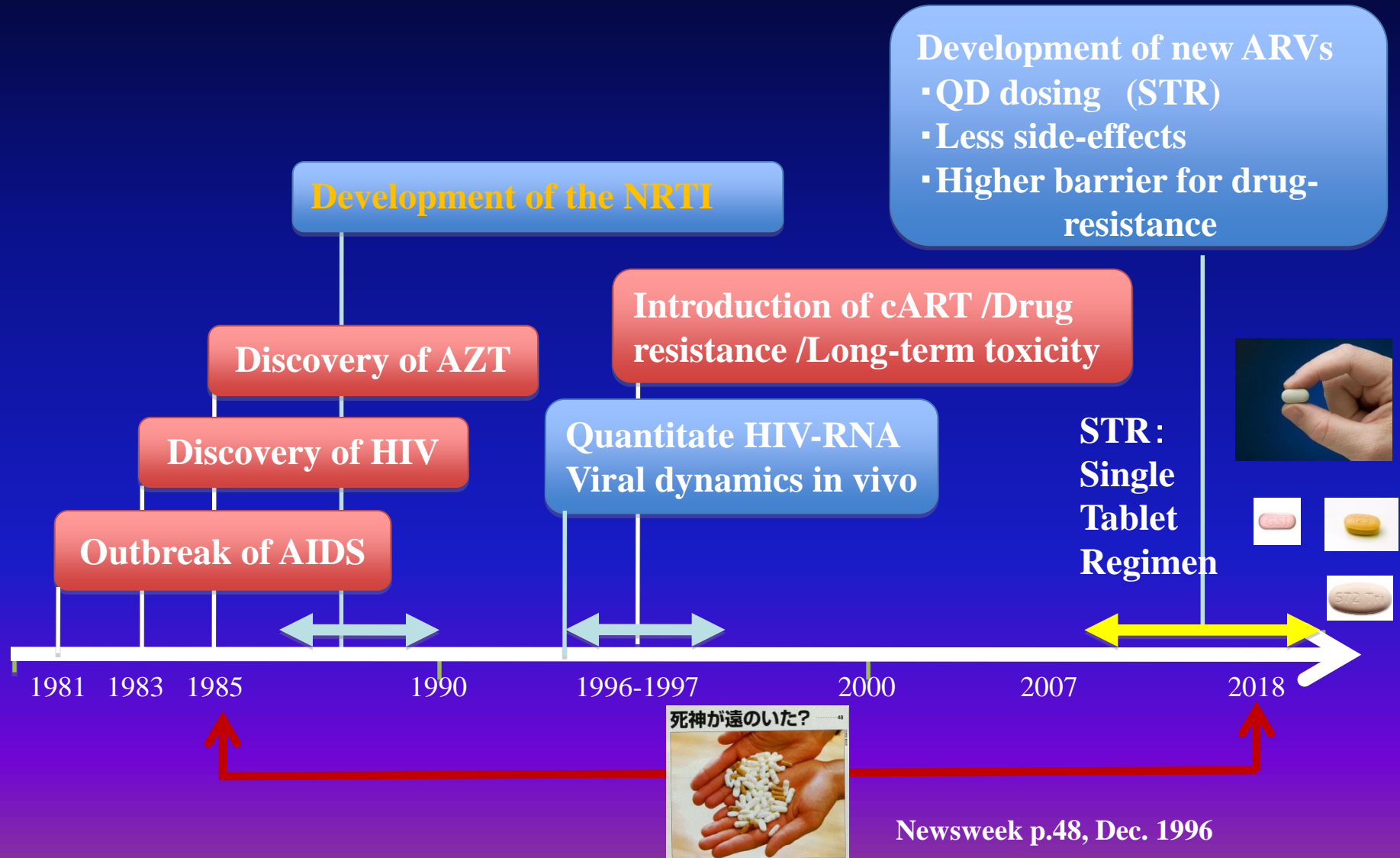
Advances in Treatment of HIV-1 infection

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Today's topics

- **Evolution of ART**
- **Current issues in treatment of HIV-1 infection**
- **Future of cure research**

History of antiretroviral treatment (ART) against HIV-1/AIDS (33 years)



Goals for antiretroviral therapy (ART)

1996~2007
Prevention of
AIDS & death

- Reduce AIDS-associated morbidity and prolong the duration and quality of survival
- Restore and preserve immunologic function

2008~
Earlier
treatment

- Proof of earlier initiation of ART beneficial for preventing comorbidity related to premature aging

2011~
ART for ALL
TasP

- Maximally and durably suppress plasma HIV viral load and prevent HIV transmission as evidenced by HPTN052 (treatment as prevention; TasP)

Earlier initiation of treatment such as Test and treat strategy has been considered as an ideal strategy of ART in terms of long-term treatment of the patients and prevention of new infection.



Life Expectancy of Recently Diagnosed Asymptomatic HIV-infected Patients Approaches that of Uninfected Individuals

A. van Sighem et al. on behalf of the ATHENA National Observational Cohort Study

■ **Life expectancy** for HIV-infected patients (without AIDS) aged 25 yrs at six months postinfection

Men: an additional 52.7 yrs (versus 53.1 yrs in general population)

Women: an additional 57.8 yrs (versus 58.1 yrs in general population)

Limitation of long-term ART

1) Adherence

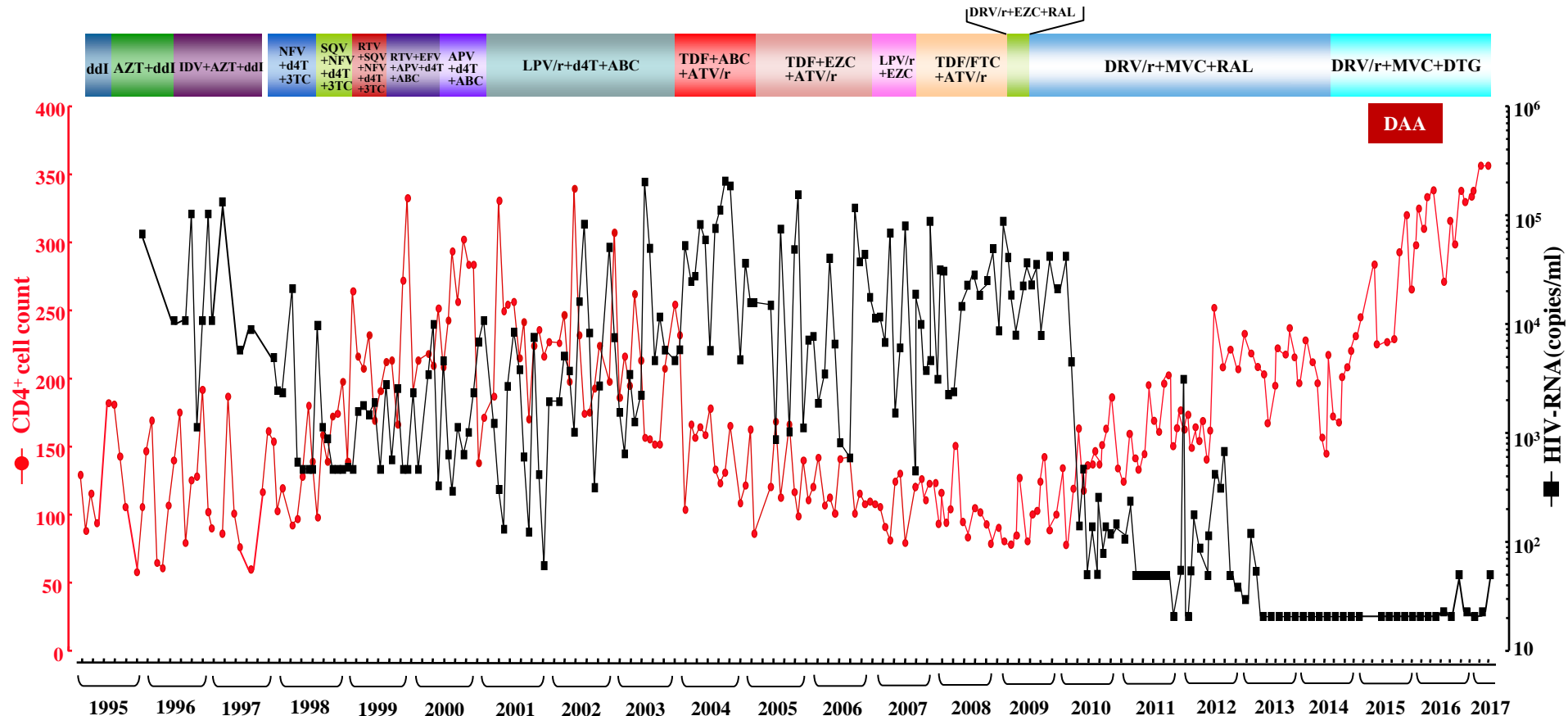
**accumulation of drug-resistance
mutations and treatment failure**

2) Comorbidities associated with premature aging (long-term toxicity of ARVs)

3) Persistence of latent virus and residual replication in the presence of most effective ART

(cure is not a realistic goal?)

Clinical course of a case with triple class resistance due to **insufficient adherence**



RT: : M41L, M184V, L2

10W, T215Y, K103N

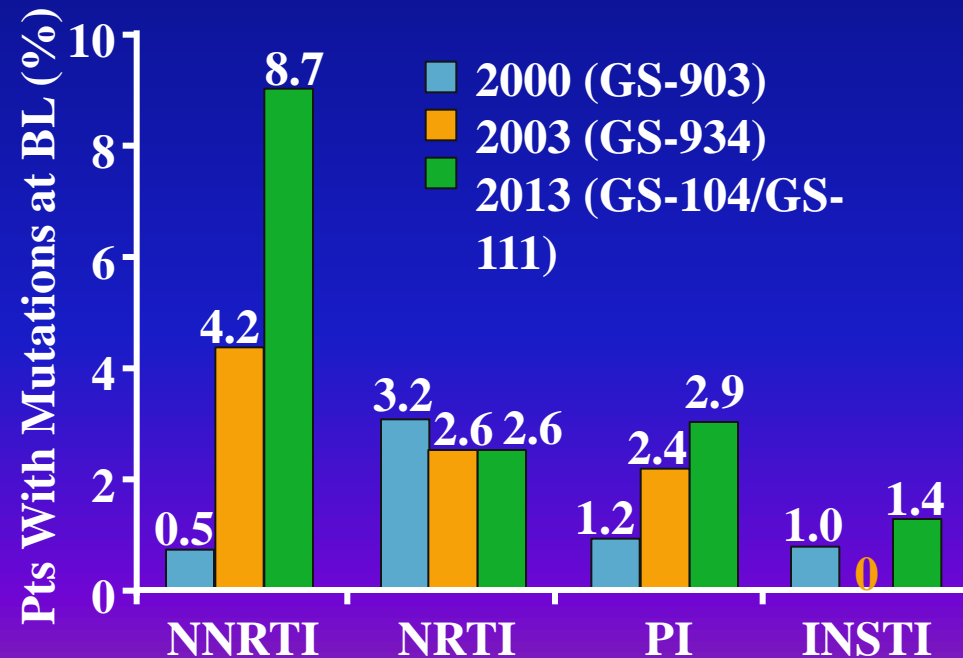
PR: M36I, I54V, A71V, G73S, V77I, L90M

Triple class resistance

HCV:2a, SOF/Rib

Prevalence of Drug Resistance Mutations in Treatment-Naive Patients, 2000-2013

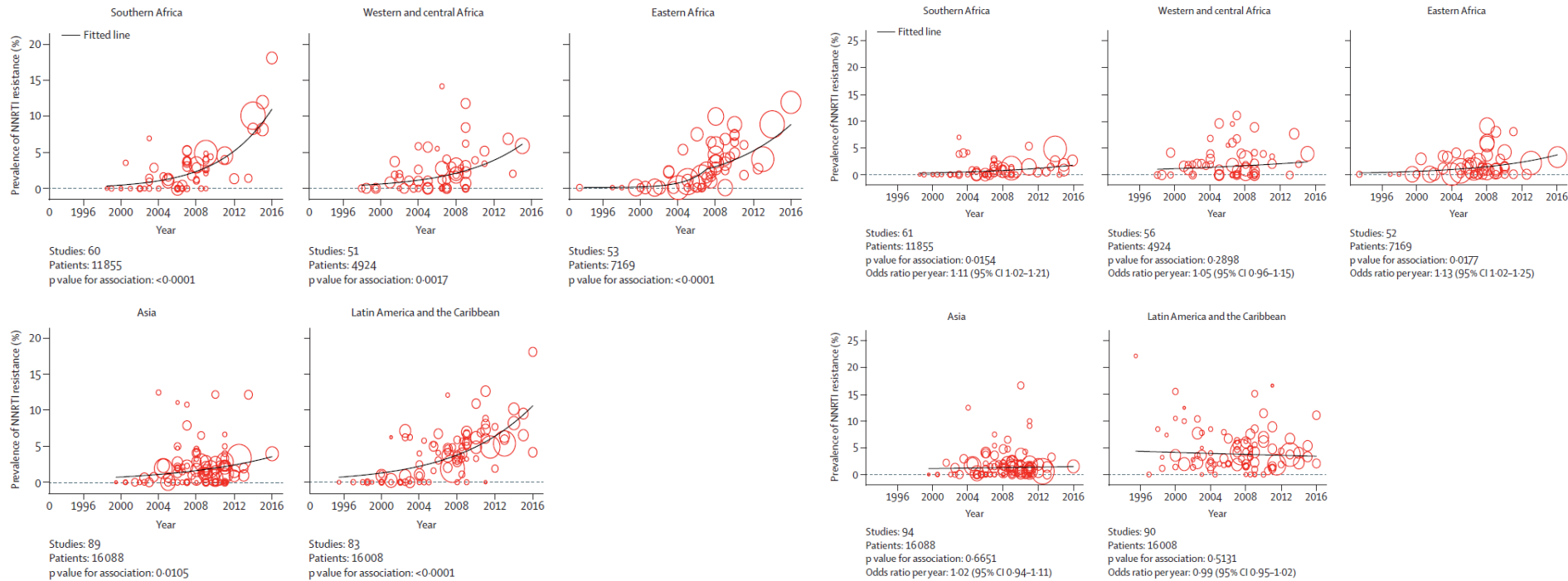
- Baseline plasma samples from 4 phase III trials (GS 903, 934, 104, 111)
 - 1617 samples analyzed for integrase mutations
 - 2531 analyzed for protease or RT mutations
- Substantial ↑ in prevalence of NNRTI resistance, modest ↑ in PI resistance
- Stable prevalence of NRTI resistance (mostly TAMs)
 - M184V/I ≤ 0.2%; K65R ≤ 0.2%
- Little evidence of transmitted INSTI resistance over period
 - Mostly T97A polymorphism



The prevalence of **pretreatment NNRTI resistance** is rising, with a significant annual increase in the odds of **23%** in southern Africa, **17%** in eastern, western and central Africa, and **11%** in Asia and in Latin America and the Caribbean. By contrast, resistance to NRTI remained below **5%**.

NNRTI

NRTI



Gupta RK, Gregson J, Parkin N, et al. HIV-1 drug resistance before initiation or re-initiation of first-line antiretroviral therapy in low-income and middle-income countries: a systematic review and meta-regression analysis. *Lancet Infect Dis* 2017; published online Nov 30. [http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S1473-3099\(17\)30702-8](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S1473-3099(17)30702-8).

Limitation of long-term cART

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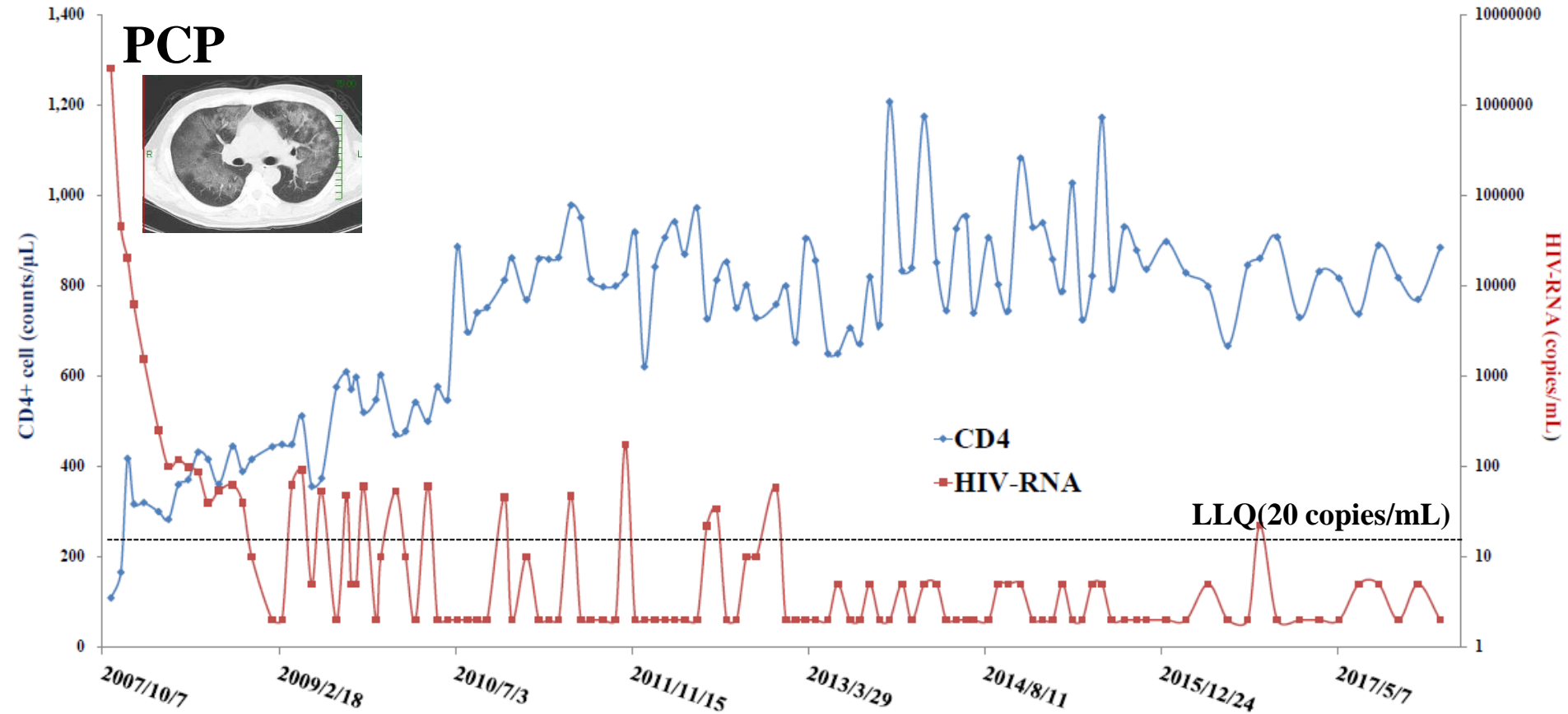
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Recovery from full-blown AIDS by ART

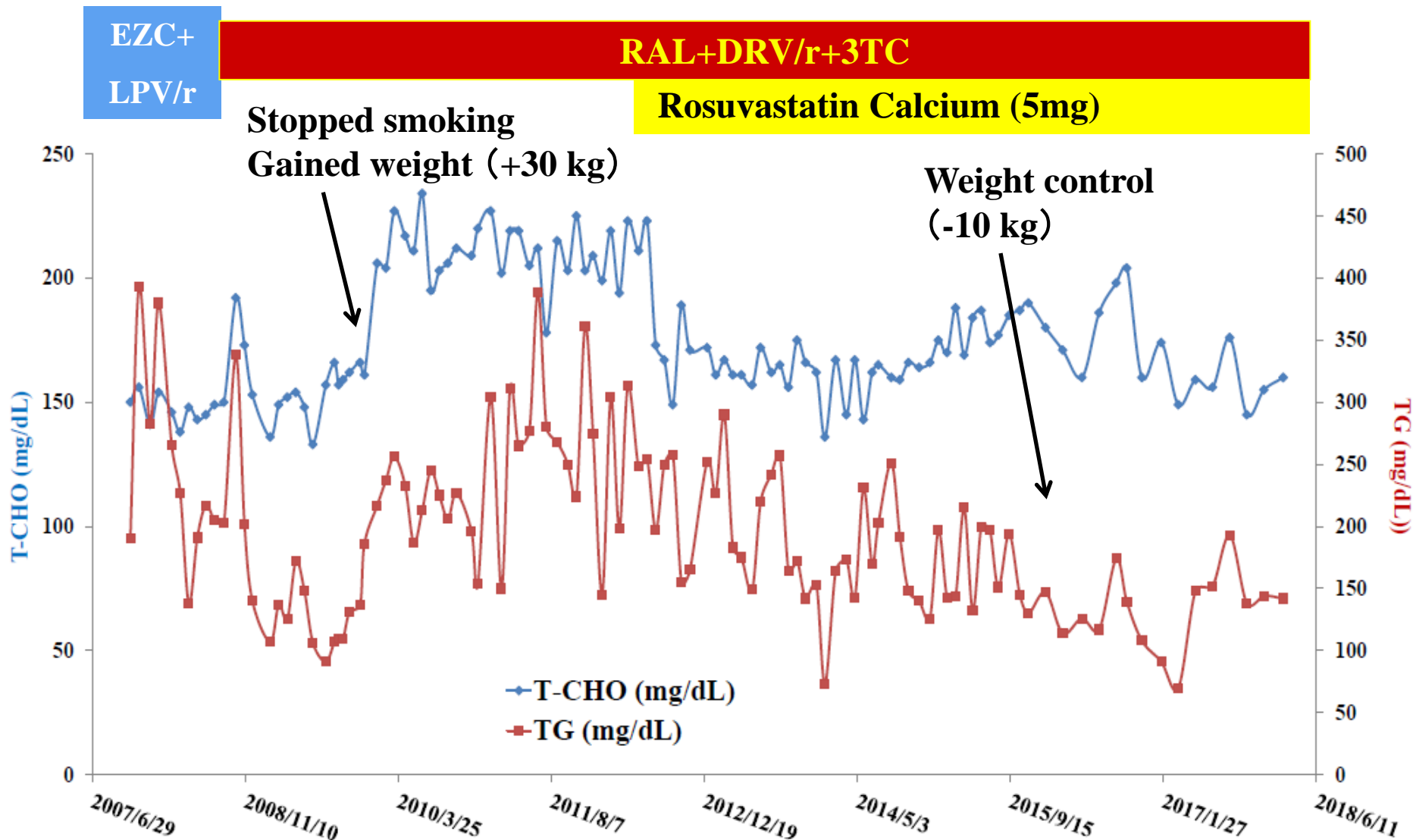
EZC+
LPV/r

RAL+DRV/r+3TC

PCP



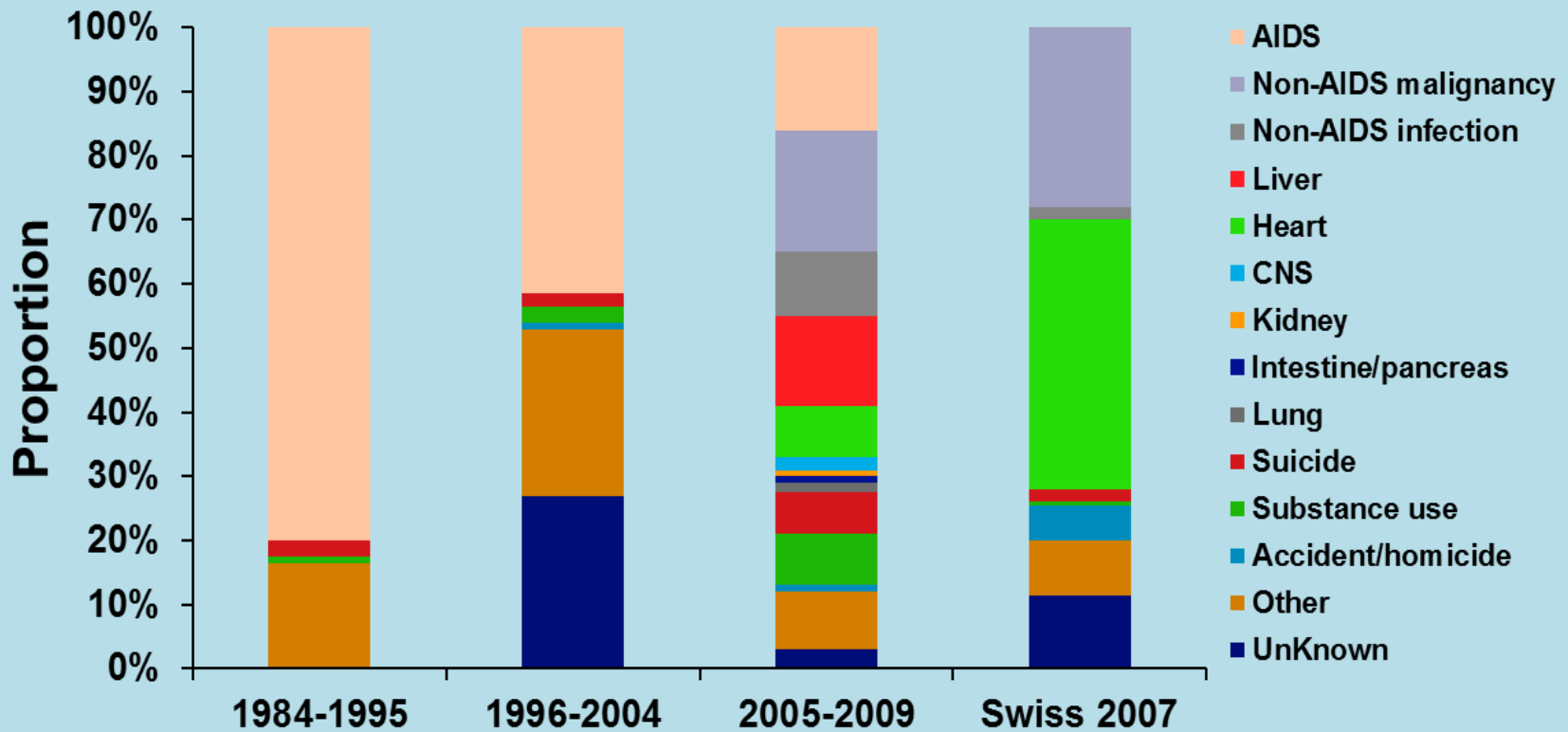
Improvement in lipid profile in the patient



(Comorbidities; 加齢や長期のARTと関連した慢性合併症;
CVD, CKD, Osteoporosis & fracture, etc)

Non-AIDS cancers

Changing the Causes of Death Swiss Cohort (SHCS)



Years of Death of HIV+ Persons Versus Swiss Population

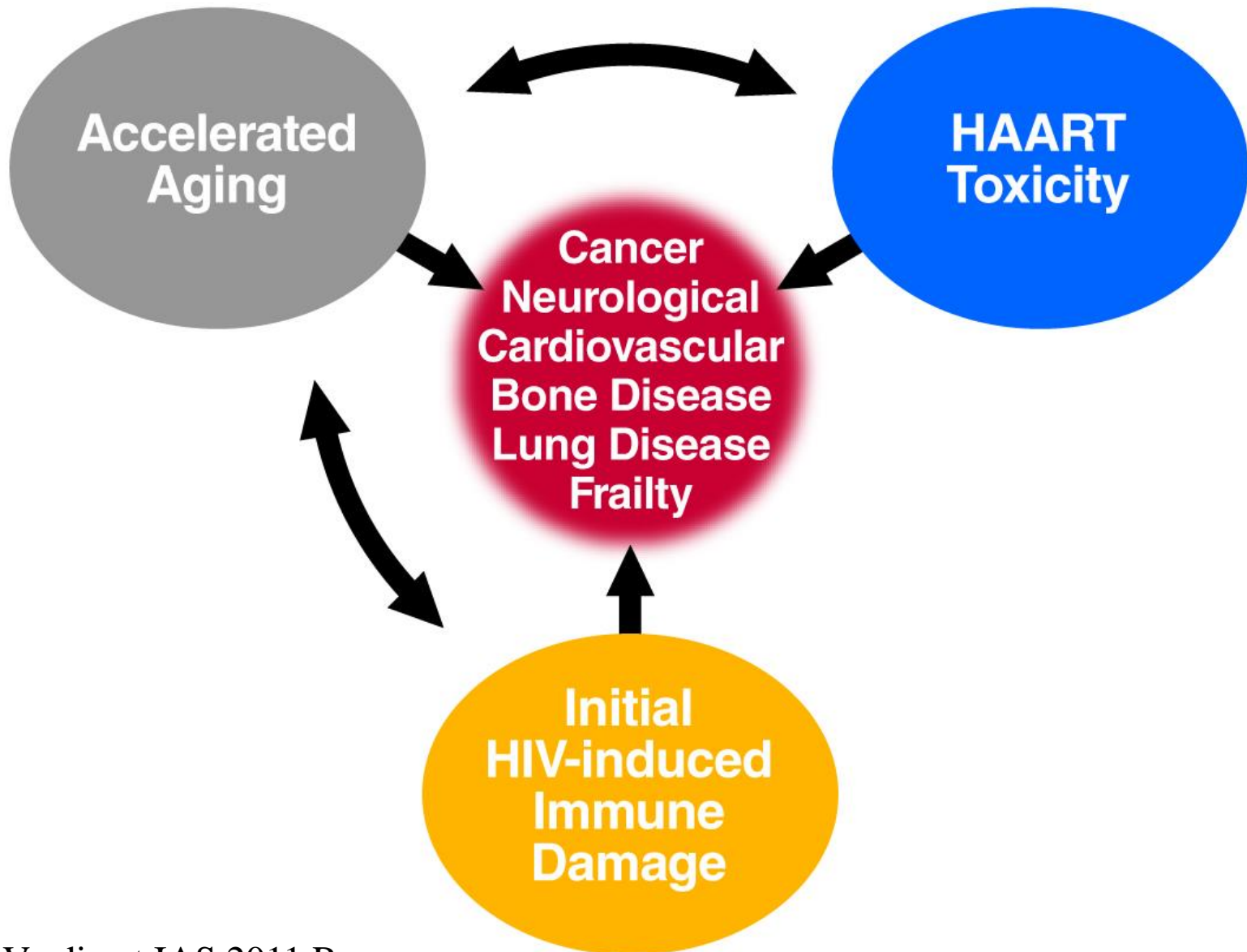
Weber R, et al. HIV Med. 2013;14:195-207

Chronic liver disease

COPD

Chronic renal disease

Patients on HAART Show Significant Morbidity



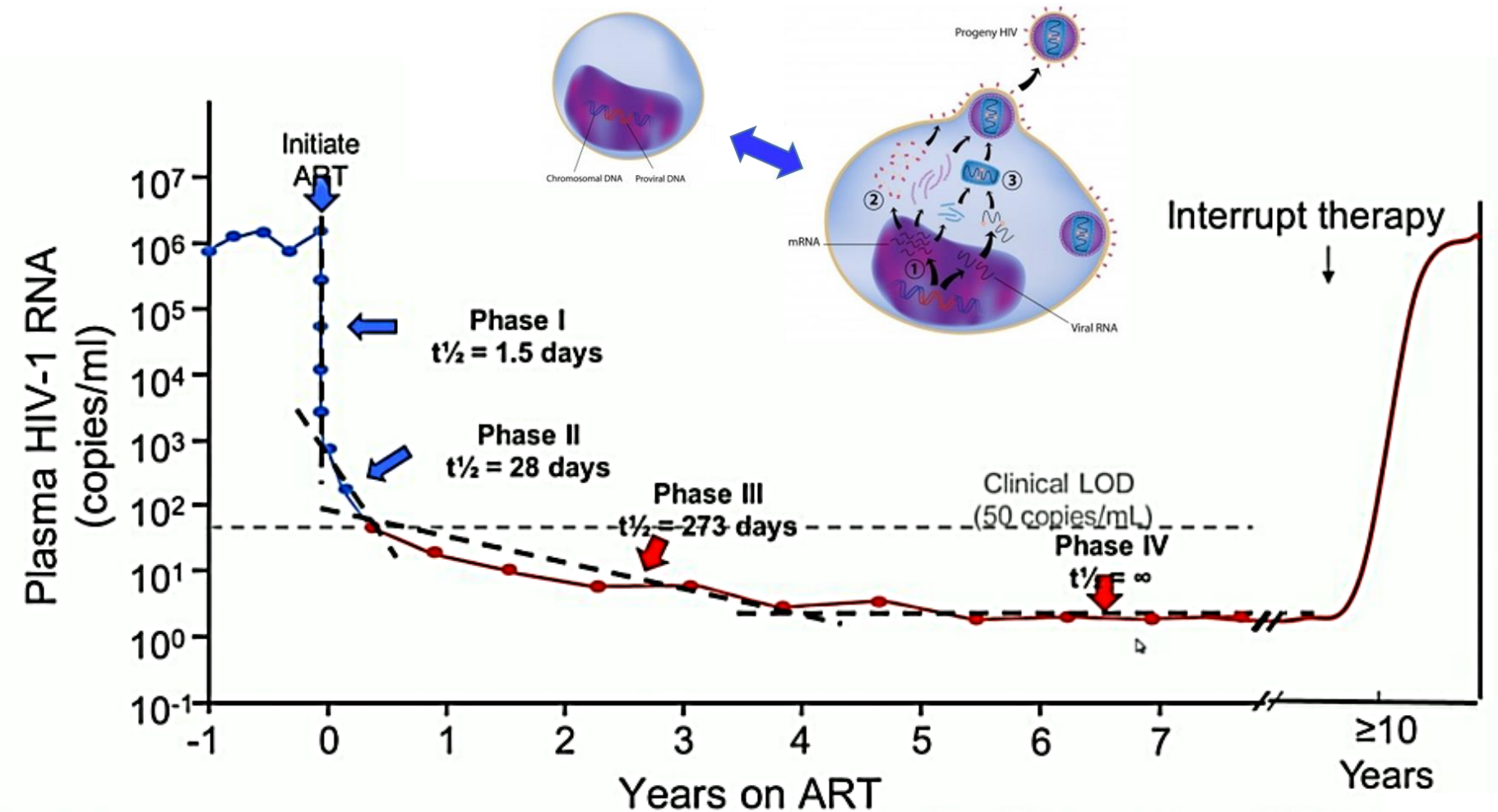
Current issue in the treatment of HIV-1 infection

- 薬剤耐性 (drug resistance)
- Agingに関連した慢性合併症(Comorbidities)の増加
- 重複感染 (co-infections; TB, HBV, HCV etc)
- 薬剤相互作用 (ARV/drug-drug interaction)
- ART アクセス (HIV care cascade)
- 全員治療時代のコスト (ART cost in all-treat era)
- **ARTは一生継続 (maintain a lifelong adherence)**

ART suppress HIV-1 replication but does not eliminate HIV-infected cells

Latently infected cells

Productively infected cells



Towards an HIV cure: a global scientific strategy

The International AIDS Society Scientific Working Group on HIV Cure



Full Recommendations

1st Edition, July 2012

Priority areas for research towards an HIV cure.

- Molecular biology of HIV latency
- Immunology of HIV persistence
- Models for HIV cure or sustainable remission
- Remission in the pediatric population
- Gene and cell therapy
- Novel biomarkers to quantify HIV persistence
- Social-science and health-systems research

Nature Reviews Immunology volume12, pages607–614(2012)

Deeks S., Lewin SR, Zacks J. et al, International AIDS Society global scientific strategy: towards an HIV cure 2016, *Nat. Med.* 22(8), p839-850, 2016

BRIEF REPORT

Long-Term Control of HIV by CCR5 Delta32/ Delta32 Stem-Cell Transplantation

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SUMMARY

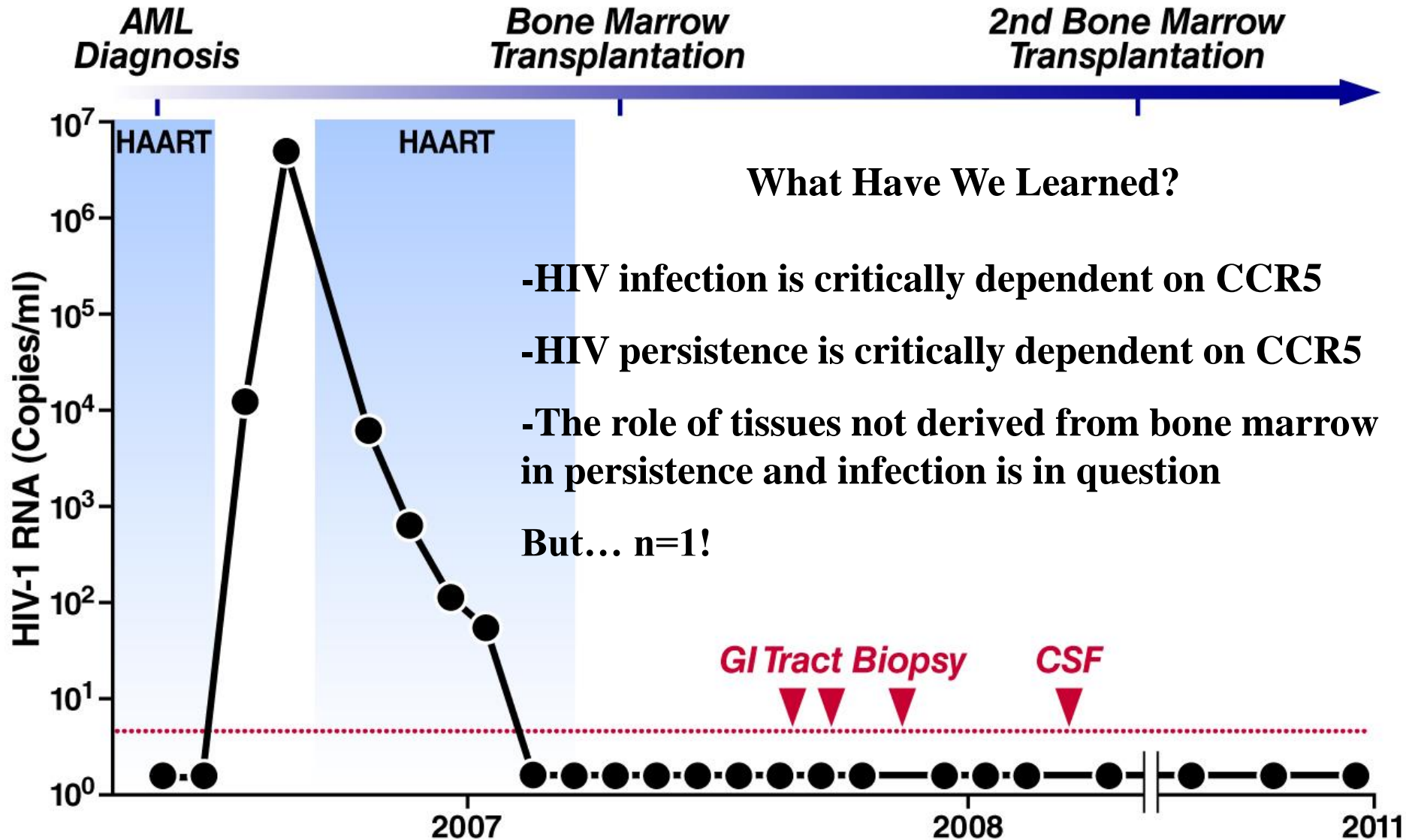
Infection with the human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) requires the presence of a CD4 receptor and a chemokine receptor, principally chemokine receptor 5 (CCR5). Homozygosity for a 32-bp deletion in the CCR5 allele provides resistance against HIV-1 acquisition. We transplanted stem cells from a donor who was homozygous for CCR5 delta32 in a patient with acute myeloid leukemia and HIV-1 infection. The patient remained without viral rebound 20 months after transplantation and discontinuation of antiretroviral therapy. This outcome demonstrates the critical role CCR5 plays in maintaining HIV-1 infection.

Allers et al. Evidence for the cure of HIV infection by CCR5Δ32/Δ32 stem cell transplantation. Blood 2011; 117:2791-9



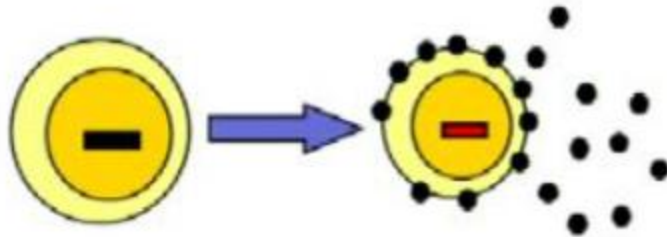
The 'Berlin Patient,' Timothy Brown, has been cured of HIV since 2007. His story has renewed interest in cure research.

Sterilizing Cure for HIV Infection: $\Delta 32/\Delta 32$ Stem Cell Transplantation

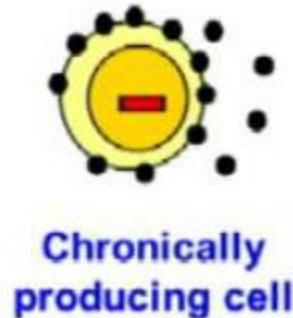


Tim Brown: Eradication Cure

Stochastic Reversal
of Latency



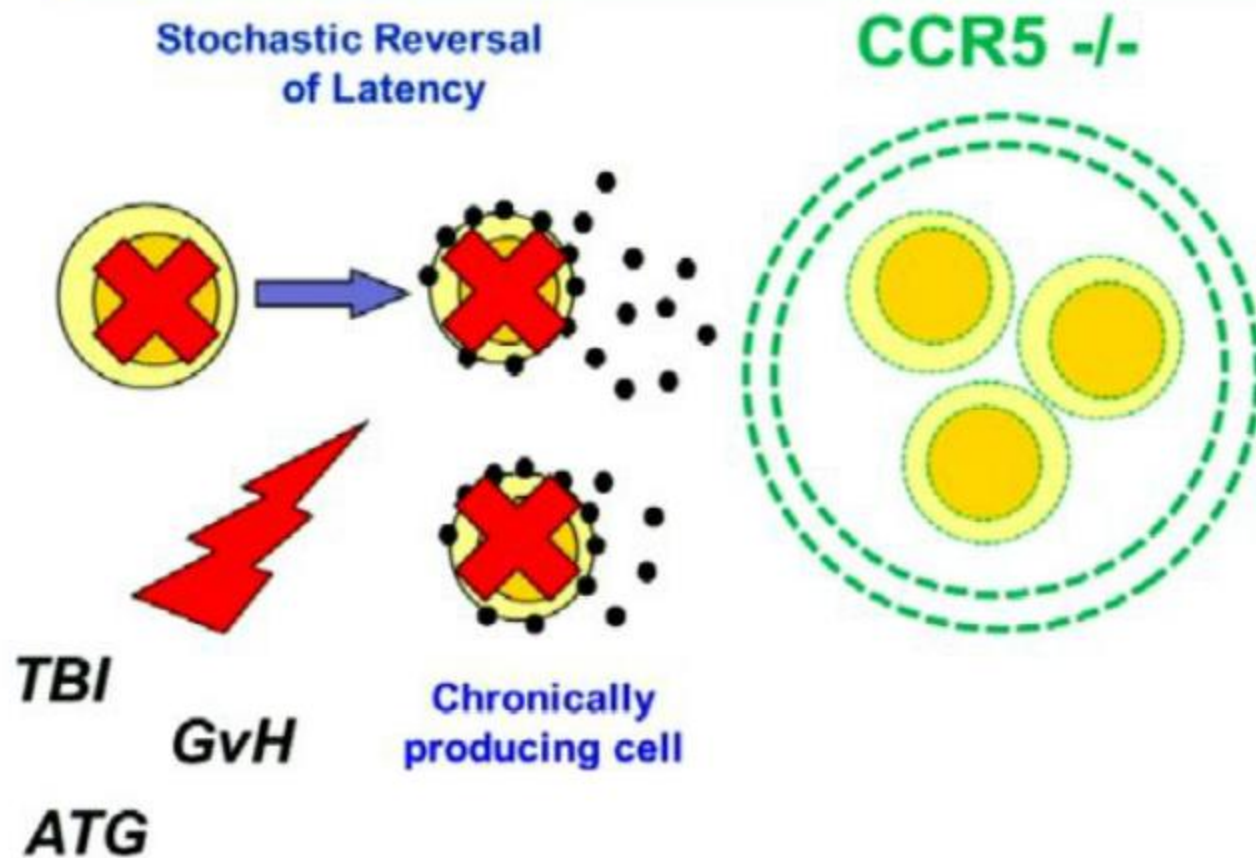
Latently infected cells



Persistently infected cells

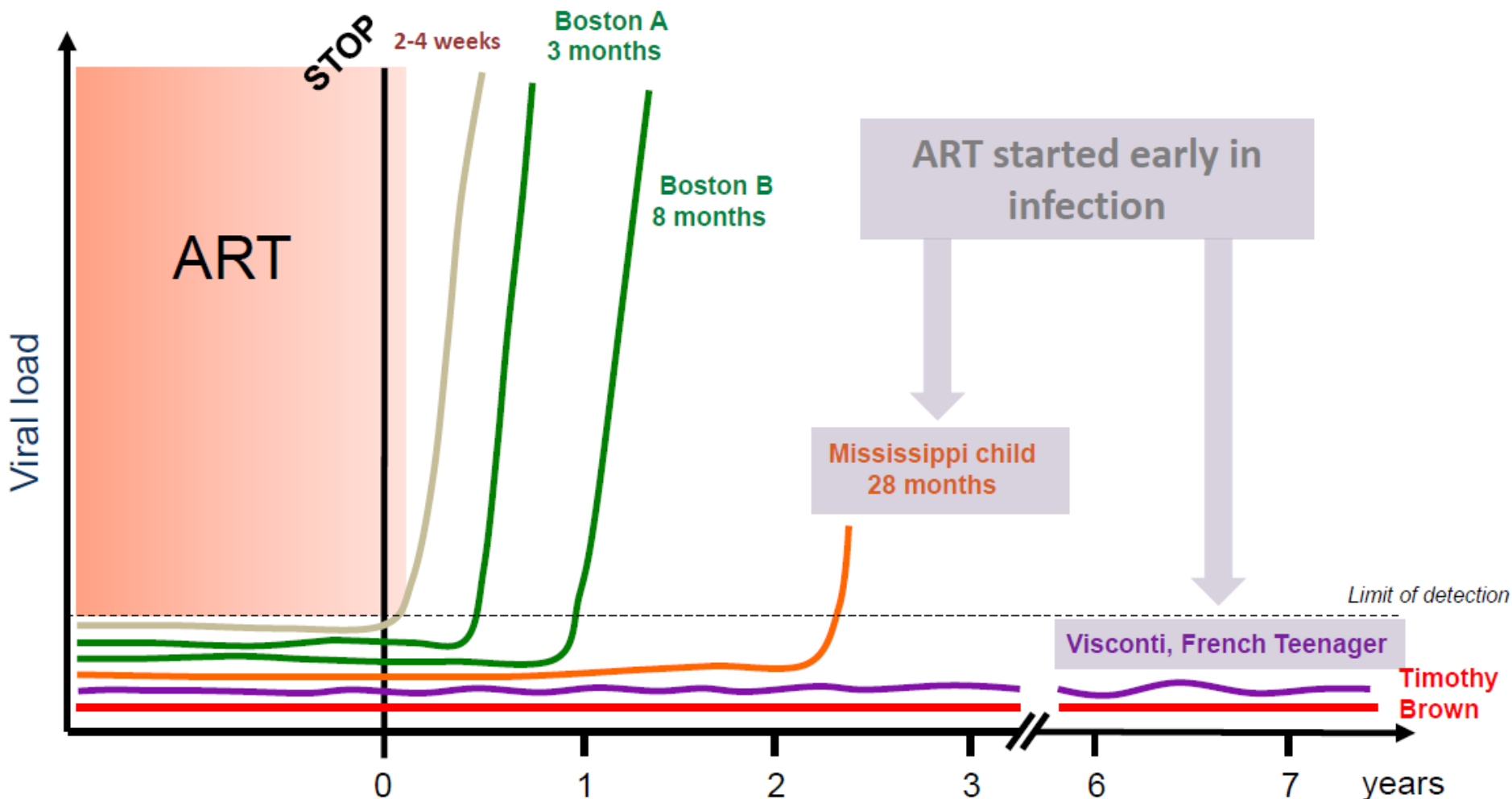
Source of residual virus replication consisted of viruses reactivated from latently infected cells and viruses produced by persistent infected long-lived cells.

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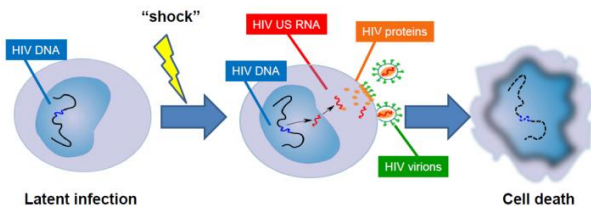
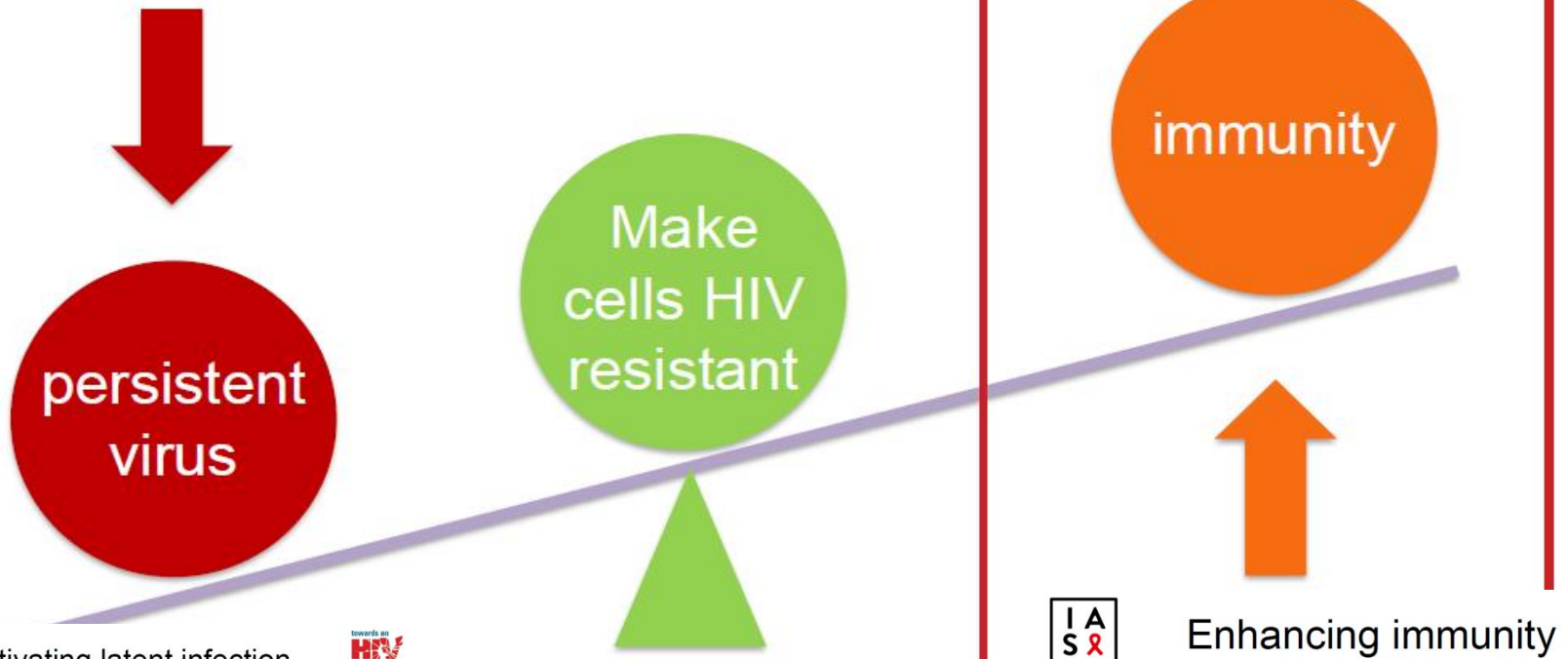




Achieving HIV remission



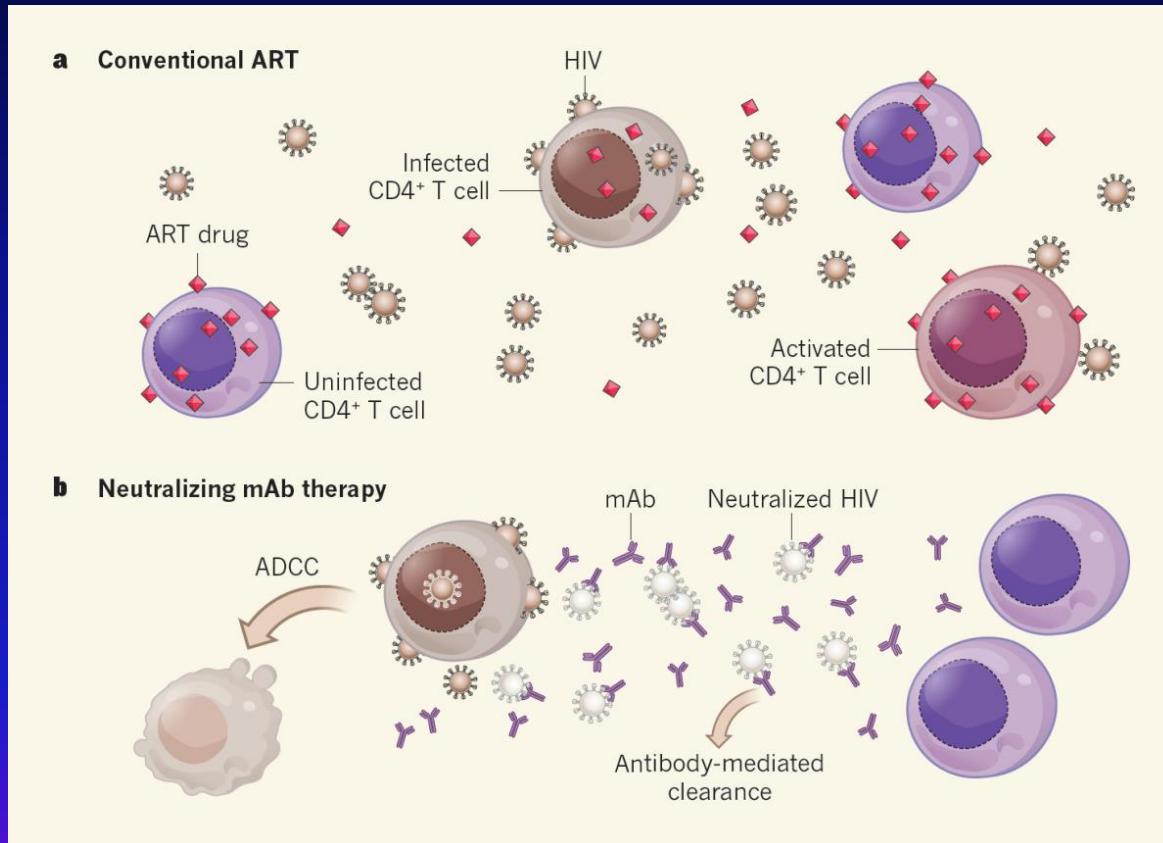
Latency Reverting Agents: LRA



- Knock out genes
 - Eliminate CCR5
 - Autologous T-cells
 - Allogeneic cord blood
 - Stem cells
 - HIV
- Knock in genes
 - Restriction factors

- Antibodies
 - Broadly neutralising Ab
 - (Bi-specific Ab)
 - (Antibody dependent cell cytotoxicity)
- T-cell vaccines
 - (CMV vaccines)
- Dendritic cell vaccines
- Immunomodulation

Neutralizing antibodies may contribute to sustainable remission by attacking HIV-infected cells (Fc-mediated functions)



Functions of nAbs

Neutralization

ADCC/ADCVI

Antibody-mediated
immune-enhancing
effects

Picker L, Deeks S. HIV: Antibodies advance the search for a cure. *Nature* 503, 207–208, 2013.

Caskey M et al., Broadly neutralizing antibodies for HIV prevention or immunotherapy. *N Engl J Med* 375;21, 2016



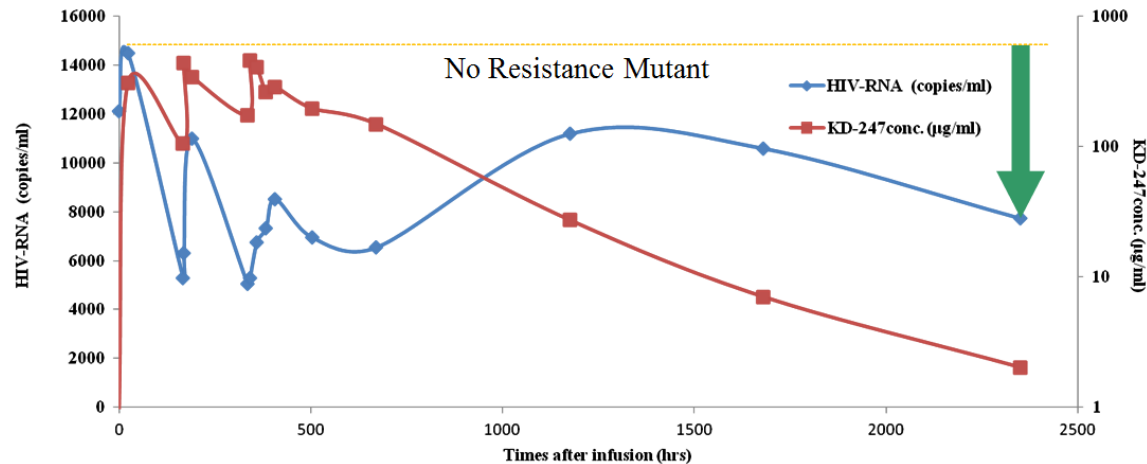
Passive transfer of neutralizing monoclonal antibody KD-247 reduces plasma viral load in patients chronically infected with HIV-1: a phase-1b clinical study of a humanized monoclonal antibody KD-247 (KD-1002)

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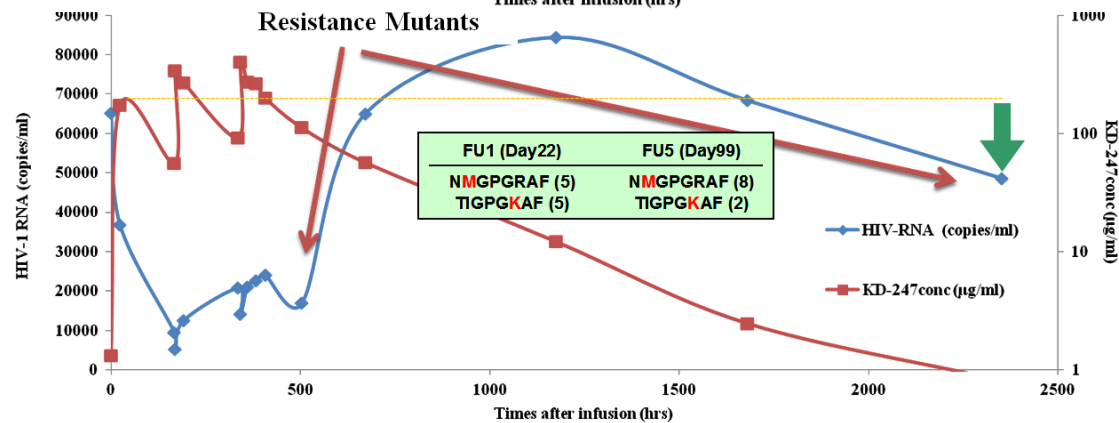
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Long-term viral suppression effect in 16mg/kg cohort

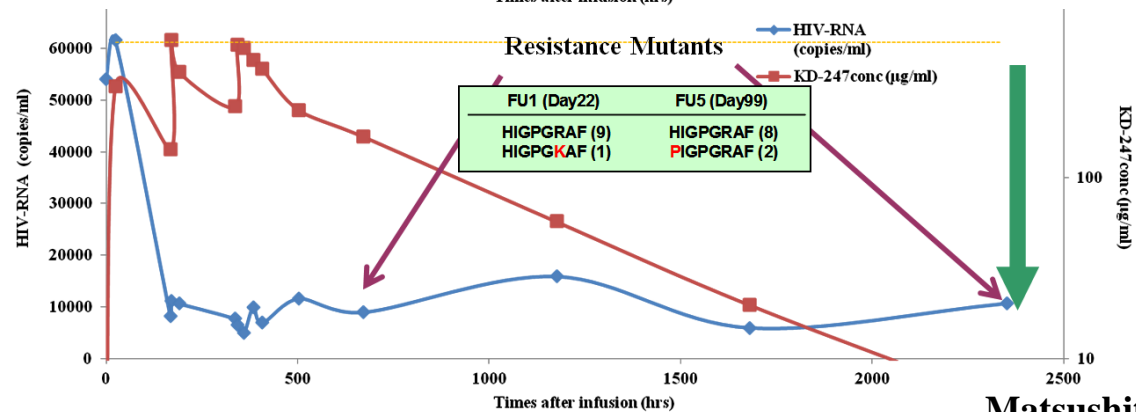
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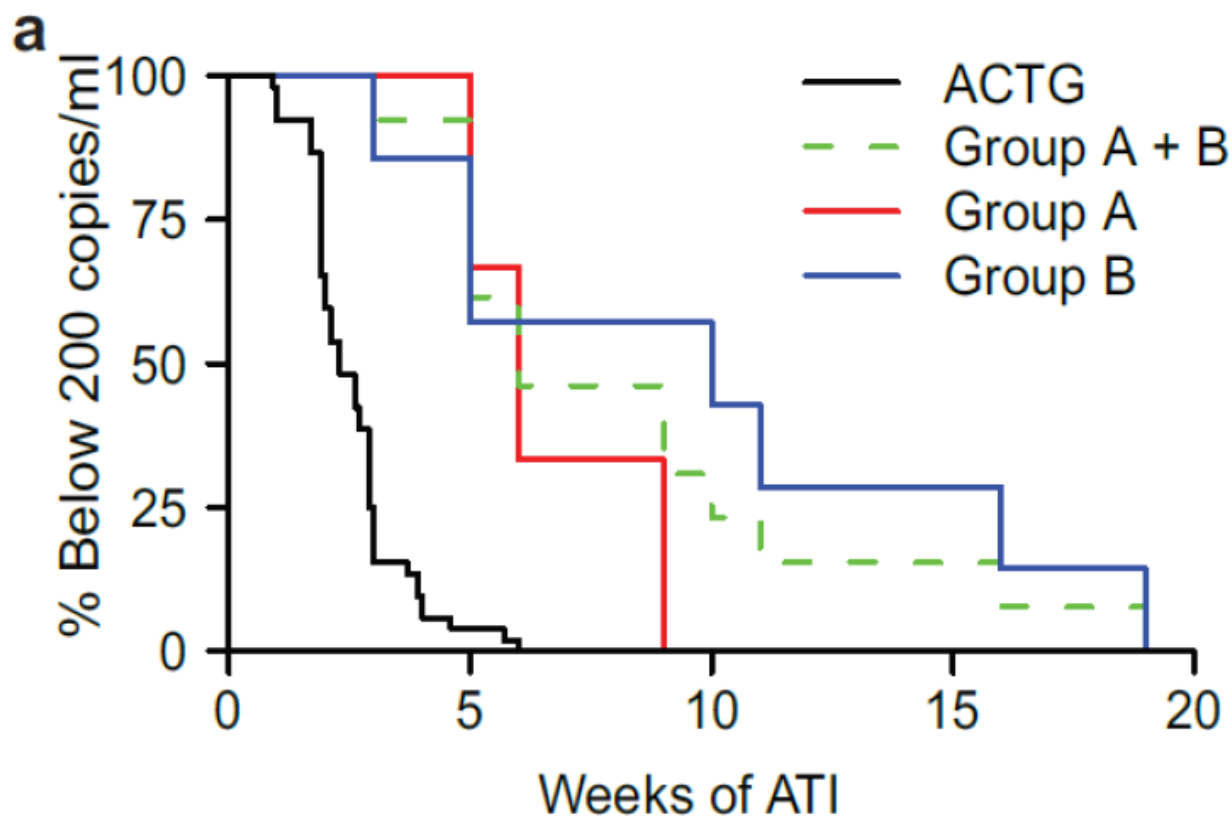


Case#12044





Broadly neutralising antibodies prolong time to rebound



Group A = 3BNC1017 x2 infusions; Group B = 3BNC1017 x 4 infusions

PGT121 Combined with GS-9620 Delays Viral Rebound in SHIV-Infected Rhesus Monkeys. E Borducchi, *et al.* Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, March 6, 2018.

Monday, March 5, 2018

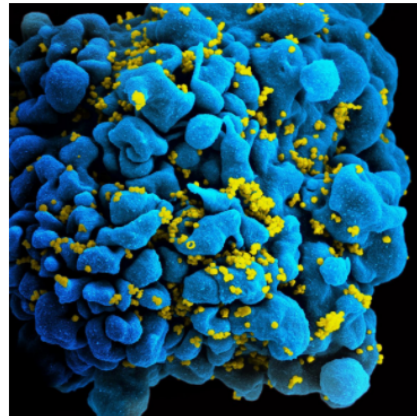
Broadly neutralizing antibody treatment may target viral reservoir in monkeys

NIH-supported scientists find combination therapy suppresses HIV-like virus in primates.

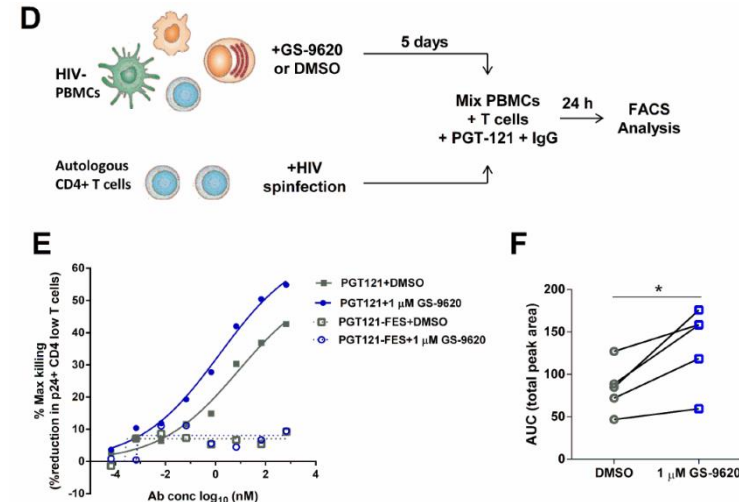


After receiving a course of antiretroviral therapy for their HIV-like infection, approximately half of a group of monkeys infused with a [broadly neutralizing antibody](#) to HIV combined with an immune stimulatory compound suppressed the virus for six months without additional treatment, according to scientists supported in part by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), part of the National Institutes of Health. The therapy may have targeted the viral reservoir — populations of long-lived, latently infected cells that harbor the virus and that lead to resurgent viral replication when suppressive therapy is discontinued.

The new findings may inform strategies that attempt to achieve sustained, drug-free [viral remission](#) in people living with HIV. Researchers discussed their results today at a press conference at the 25th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI) in Boston.



HIV-infected T cell. *NIAID*



GS-9620 (TLR7 agonist): best in class LRA + PGT121 (bNAbs) reduced viral reservoir in monkey model

Summary

- With advances in antiviral therapy (ART), HIV-1 infection has become **a controllable chronic infection**.
- **ART** is a treatment that **requires continuation for a lifetime**.
- Overcoming chronic complications referred as **comorbidities** related to aging and **drug resistance** in the course of long-term treatment is becoming a global problem.
- **Research toward an HIV cure** is progressing. Even though elimination of HIV is difficult, research aimed at "long-term remission state" which does not require ART for a long time is being conducted.

Thank you for your attention

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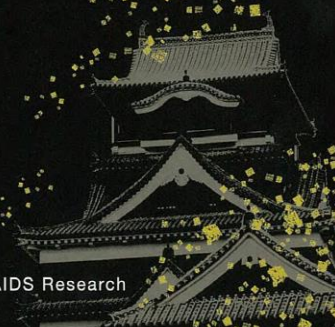
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