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## HCV: Il punto sulle resistenze ai DAA sul trattamento nei pazienti con pregresso fallimento ai DAA

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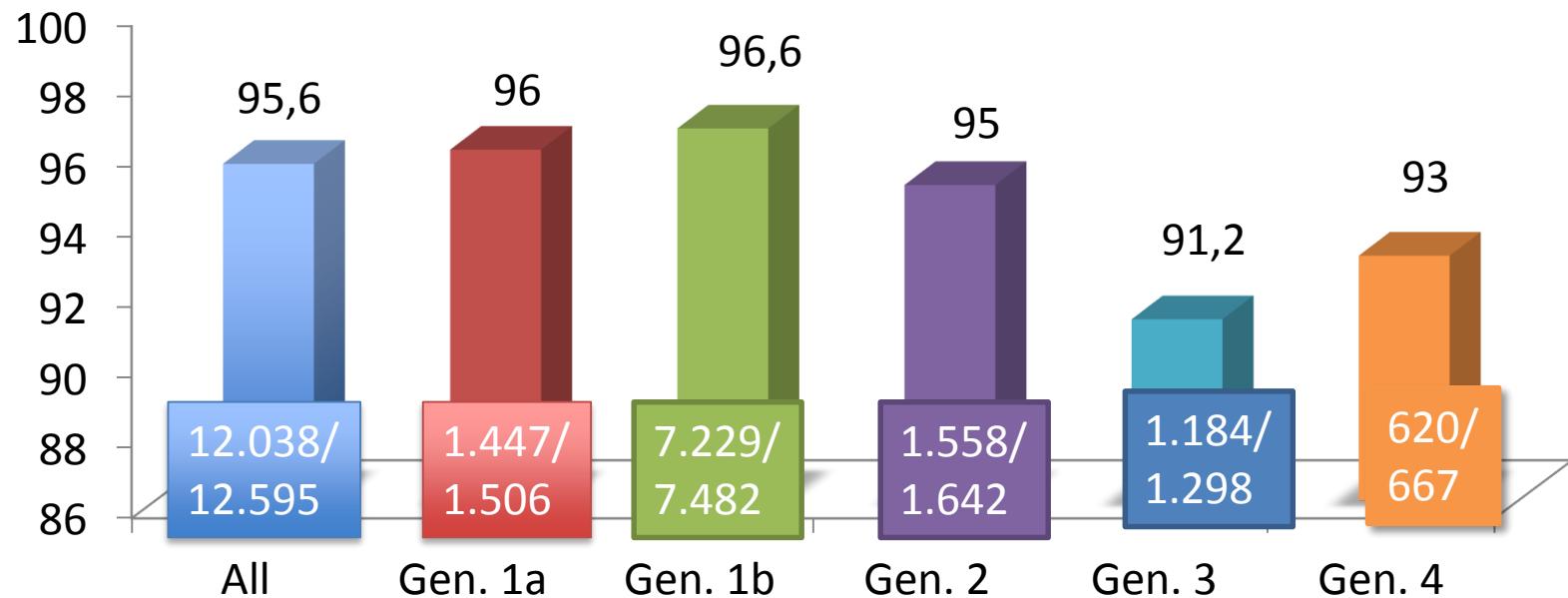
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# SVR12 in 12.595 HCV infected patients in 4 Italian Regional Registries

(66% F4 and 28% F3 stratified according to HCV Genotypes)



But 557 subjects did not achieve SVR

## Patients who have experienced DAA treatment failure are a small but important HCV patient population

VA cohort USA<sup>1</sup>  
Patients with FIB-4 >3.25  
**SVR 93%** (13,992/15,059)

Egyptian cohort<sup>2</sup>  
Patients treated with  
SOF + NS5A or PI  
**SVR 95%**  
(23,212/24,538)

DHC-R cohort, Germany<sup>3</sup>  
**SVR 96%**  
(3776/3937)

**94%** (40,980/43,534) of patients in these studies  
achieved an SVR

...but **2554** patients did not

1. Backus LI, et al. Hepatology 2017;doi: 10.1002/hep.29408;

2. Gomaa A, et al. Hepat Med 2017;9:17–25;

3. Welzel TM, et al. ILC 2016; Poster #SAT-274

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# Failure & Susceptibility to antiviral therapy.

Different levels of suppression of HCV RNA are required for final eradication of the virus by the immune system

Depending on:

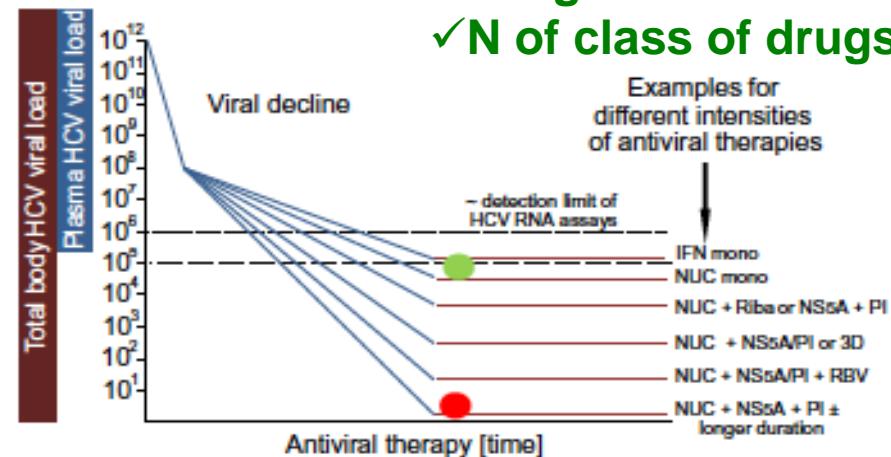
- viral-related factors:
  - **HCV Genotypes**
  - **RAs**
  - **Viremia**
- host-related factors:
  - **IL28b, IP-10, ISG → Previous IFN failure**
  - **Fibrosis**
  - **Age & gender**

Failure:

- **Breakthrough**
- **Relapse**

Treatment Modulation by:

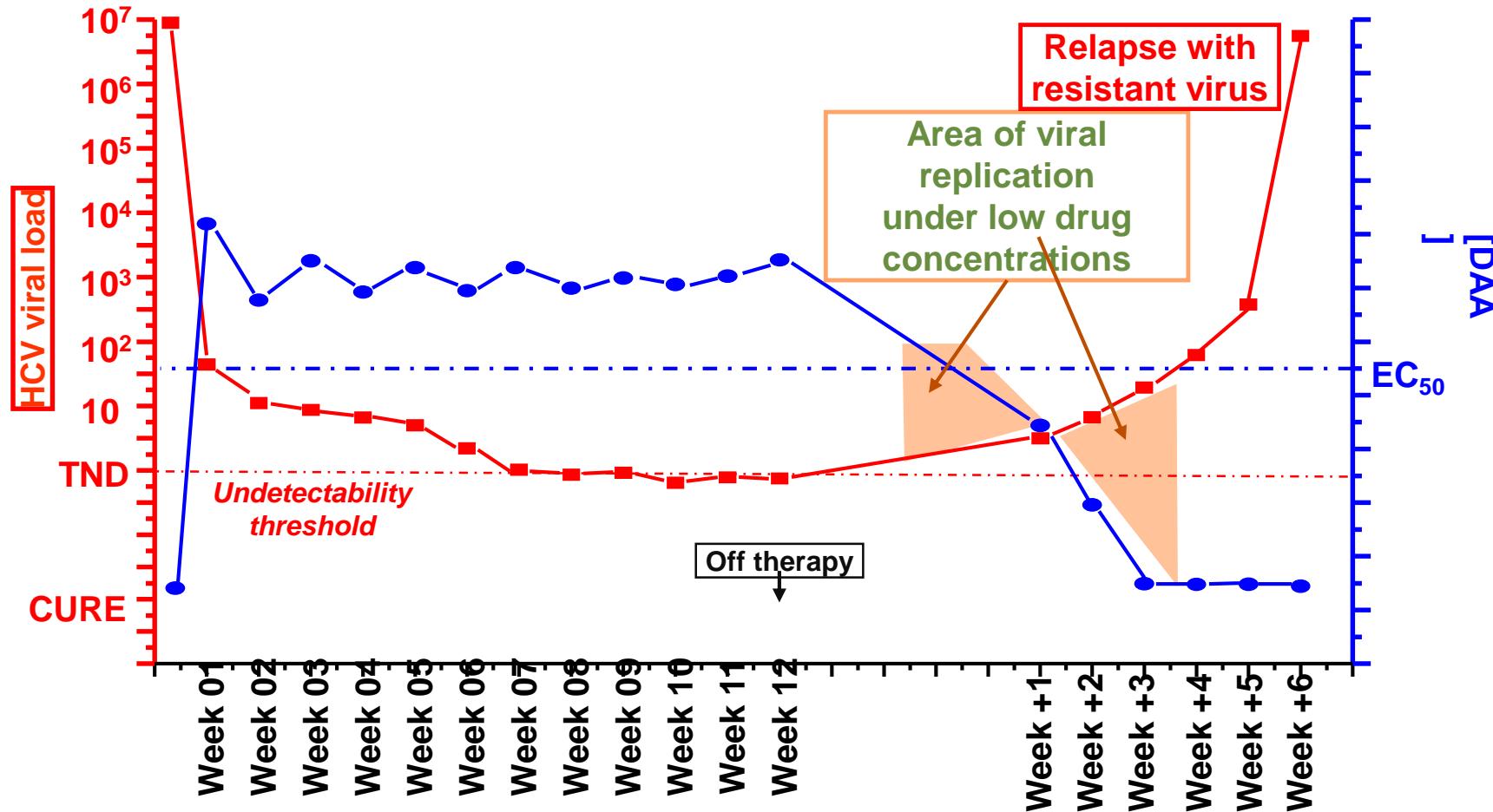
- ✓ **Ribavirin use**
- ✓ **Length of treatment**
- ✓ **N of class of drugs**



● Difficult to treat patient  
(IL28B TT, high ISG, high IP10, cirrhosis, high age, male gender, high baseline viral load, HCV genotype 1, baseline viral resistance ...)

● Easy to treat patient  
(IL28B CC, low ISG, low IP10, low fibrosis, low age, female gender, low baseline viral load, HCV genotype 2, no viral resistance ...)

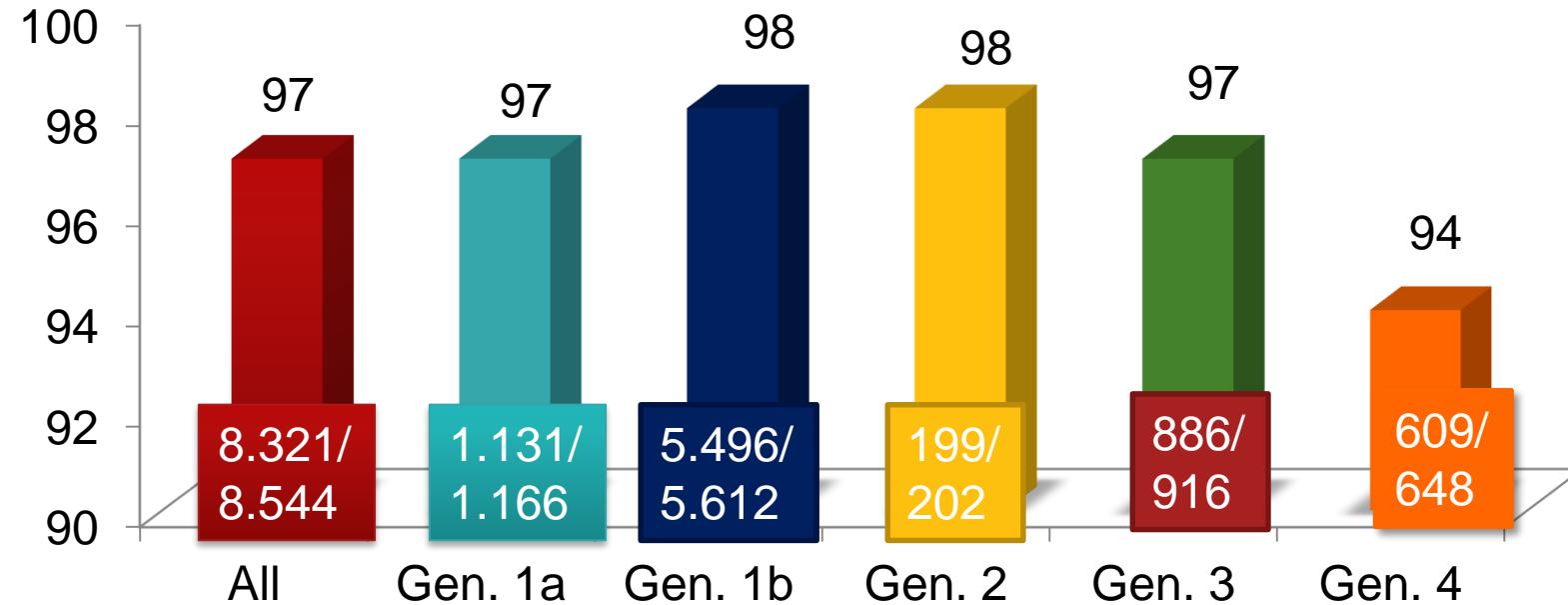
# Relapse and resistance during DAA-based anti-HCV therapy



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SVR12 in 8.544 HCV infected patients treated according to EASL 2016 recommendations in 4 Italian Regional Registries  
(66% F4 and 28% F3 stratified according to HCV Genotypes)



But 223 (3%) subjects did not achieve SVR

# Effectiveness of hepatitis C antiviral treatment in a USA cohort of veteran patients with hepatocellular carcinoma

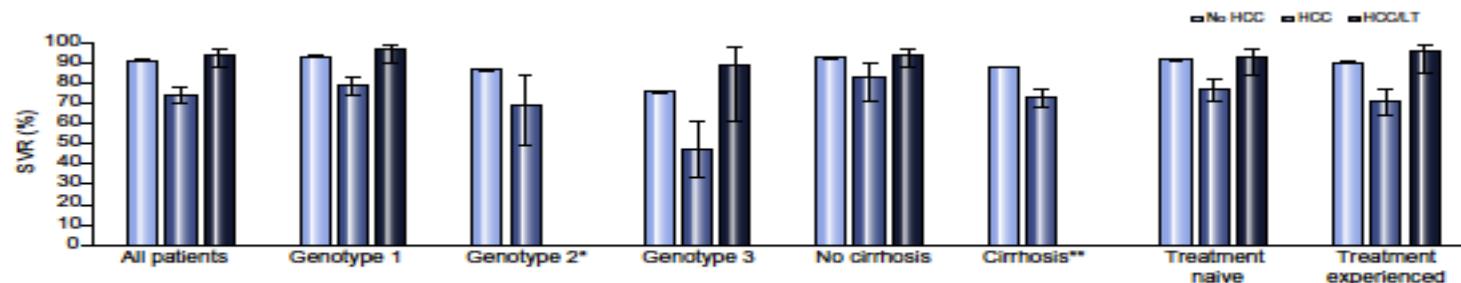


Fig. 1. SVR rates among patients with HCC, HCC/LT, and no HCC. SVR, sustained virologic response; HCC, hepatocellular carcinoma; HCC/LT, HCC with previous liver transplantation. \*Bar not shown due to small subgroup <5 patients; \*\*Bar not shown because all patients with HCC/LT were considered to be non-cirrhotic.

Table 3. Association between HCC and SVR in multivariable logistic regression models.

	All patients (n = 15,573)		Genotype 1 (n = 12,493)		Genotype 2 (n = 1,868)		Genotype 3 (n = 1,084)	
	AOR (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	p value	AOR (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	p value	AOR (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	p value	AOR (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	p value
No HCC	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-
HCC	0.38 (0.29, 0.48)	<0.001	0.34 (0.26, 0.45)	<0.001	0.59 (0.25, 1.38)	0.224	0.41 (0.22, 0.76)	0.005
HCC/LT	1.57 (0.75, 3.28)	0.23	1.89 (0.68, 5.20)	0.21	0.10 (0.01, 0.82)	0.03	2.7 (0.58, 12.6)	0.20

<sup>†</sup> AOR: Adjusted odds ratio, by multivariable logistic regression modeling including age, gender, race/ethnicity, alcohol use disorders, genotype, subgenotype, HCV regimen, baseline HCV viral load, diabetes, treatment naive/experienced, cirrhosis, decompensated cirrhosis, platelet count, bilirubin, and albumin. HCC, hepatocellular carcinoma; HCC/LT, HCC with previous liver transplantation.

# Baseline characteristics of 310 HCV failures in Italy included in the “VIRONET” analysis

	<b>Patients, N</b>	<b>310</b>
	<b>Males, N (%)</b>	<b>240 (77.4)</b>
	<b>Age (years), Median (IQR)</b>	<b>58 (52-69)</b>
	<b>Liver Transplant, N (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>7 (3.4)</b>
	<b>Hepatocellular carcinoma, N (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>28 (12.1)</b>
	<b>Cirrhotic patients, N (%)</b>	<b>251 (81.0)</b>
	<b>Stiffness at baseline (kPa), Median (IQR)</b>	<b>17.9 (12.5-25.9)</b>
	<b>HIV coinfection, N (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>14 (6.2)</b>
	<b>Naïve patients, N (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>47 (34.1)</b>
	<b>Treatment experienced, N (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>91 (65.9)</b>
	<b>Breakthrough</b>	<b>7 (7.7)</b>
	<b>Non-responder</b>	<b>35 (38.5)</b>
	<b>Relapse</b>	<b>29 (31.9)</b>
	<b>Other</b>	<b>20 (21.9)</b>
	<b>DAA experienced<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>22 (15.9)</b>
	<b>Unknown previous treatment</b>	<b>172 (55.5)</b>
	<b>Baseline HCV-RNA (logIU/ml), Median (IQR)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>6.0 (5.4-6.5)</b>
	<b>Baseline ALT (IU/ml), Median (IQR)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>76 (52-131)</b>
	<b>1a</b>	<b>70 (22.6)</b>
	<b>1b</b>	<b>119 (38.4)</b>
	<b>HCV genotype/subtype</b>	
	<b>2 (a-b-c)</b>	<b>33 (10.6)</b>
	<b>3 (a-h)</b>	<b>52 (16.8)</b>
	<b>4 (a-d-n-v)</b>	<b>36 (11.6)</b>

<sup>a</sup>Values were calculated according to the information available; IQR, interquartile range

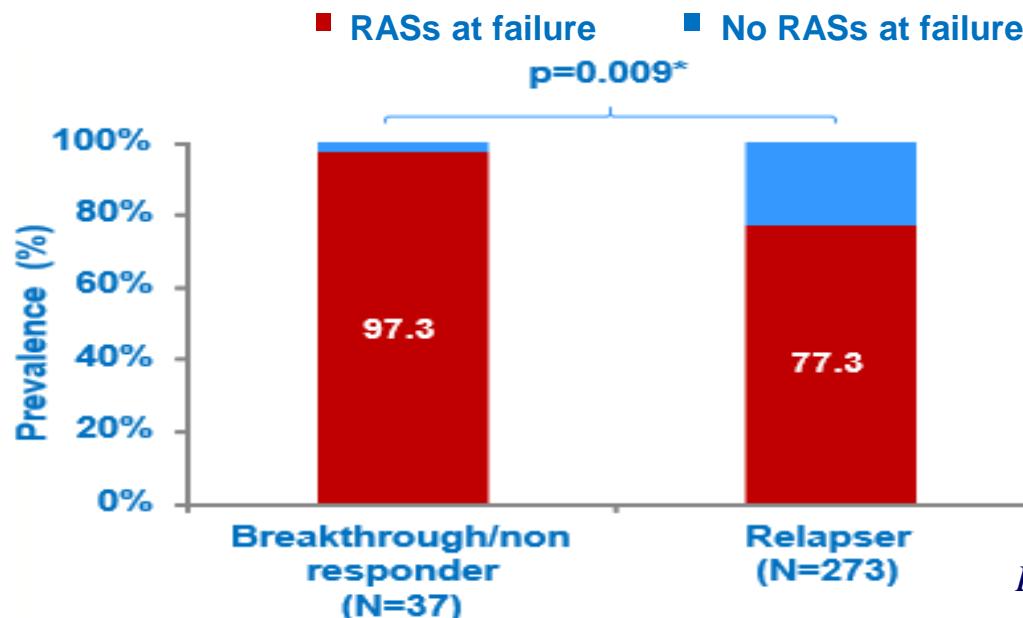
# HCV sequencing is useful for identifying RASs but also the “correct” genotype: 15/310 (4.8%) patients were found infected with a different HCV genotype at failure

Notably, 10 patients previously classified as infected with HCV-1 were actually infected with HCV-2 and HCV-3, 9/10 failed a 3D+RBV regimen and all presented RASs at failure

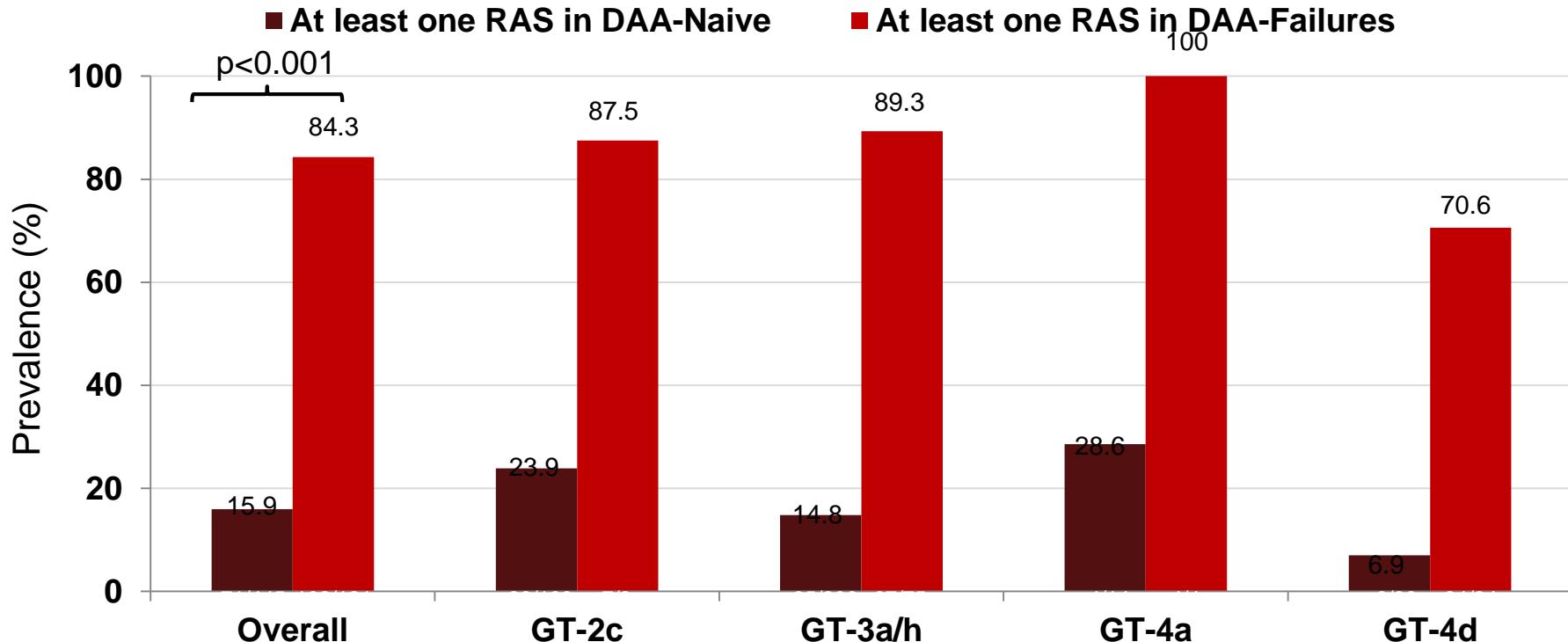
ID Patient	Pre-therapy genotype by commercial assay	Genotype by sequencing at failure	DAA regimen	DAA response	Failure RASs		
					NS3	NS5A	NS5B
1497	1a	3a	3D+RBV	Non-responder			Y93H
2150	1a	3a	3D+RBV	Breakthrough	Q80K		Y93H
2068	1b	3a	3D	Non-responder	Q80K		Y93H
1424	1b	3a	3D+RBV	Non-responder			Y93H
2140	1b	3a	3D+RBV	Non-responder			A30K
2353	1	3a	3D	Non-responder			Y93H
1823	1b	2c	3D+RBV	Non-responder	D168V		
2020	1b	2c	3D	Non-responder	D168V		F28C
2623	1b	2c	3D	Relapse			F28C
2890	1b	2c	SMV+SOF	Relapse			L31M
2204	2	1b	LDV+SOF+RBV	Relapse		R30Q+L31I+Y93H	C316N
2886	2	1b	SOF+RBV	Relapse	Y56F		C316N
2153	2	3a	SOF+RBV	Relapse		A30K+L31F	
1111	4	1a	2D+RBV	Breakthrough	V36M+Y56H	M28T	
45	4	3a	SMV+SOF	Relapse	D168K		

Overall, 247/310 patients (79.7%) showed at least one RAS related to the DAA-regimen at failure

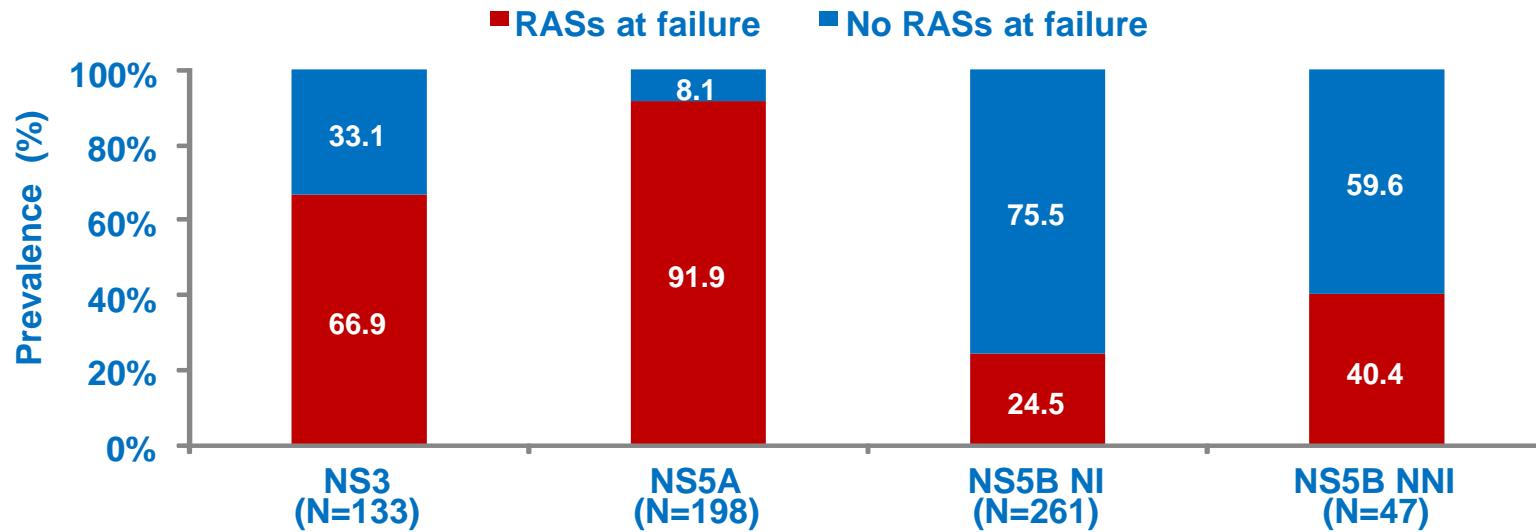
## RASs prevalence at failure was significantly higher in breakthrough/non-responders



At DAA failure, 84.3% of patients infected with non-1 GTs had at least 1 RAS



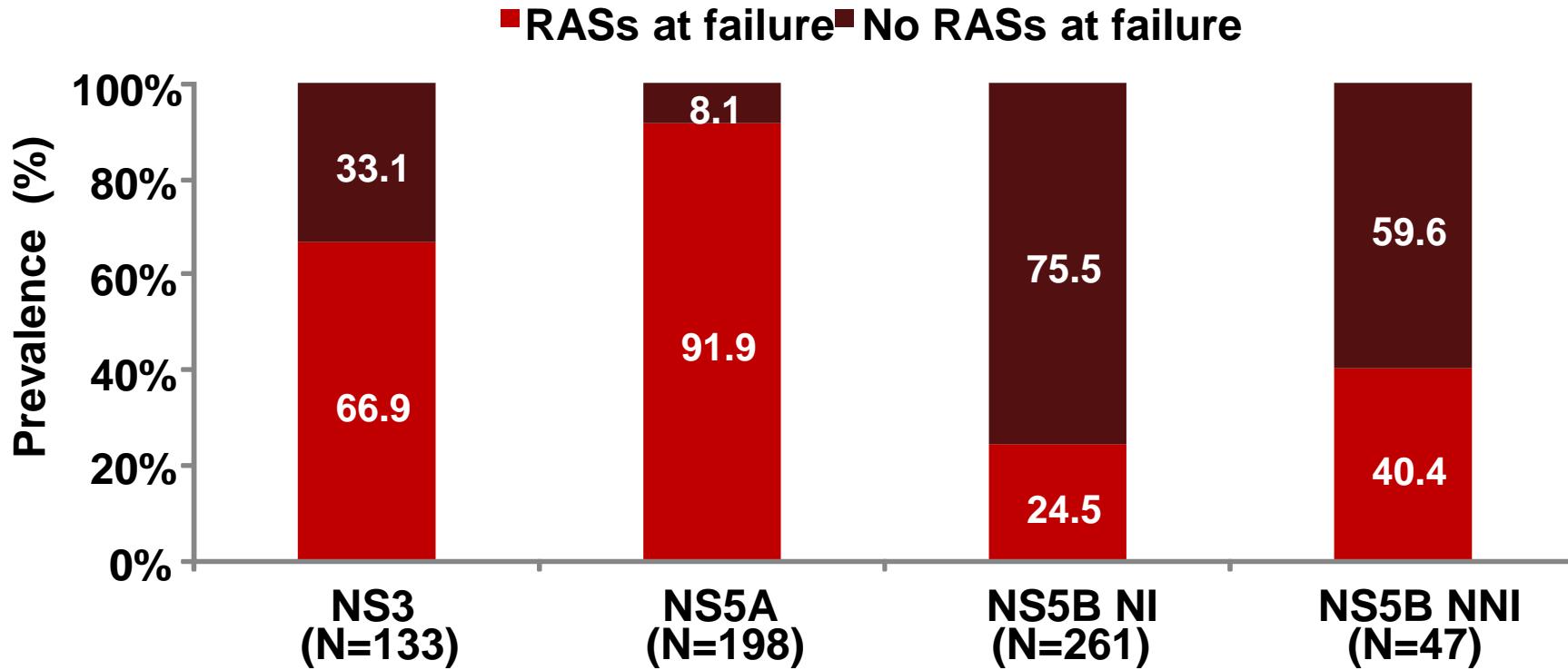
**RASs prevalence was found in all genes tested:  
NS5A very frequent (92%), NS3 frequent (67%),  
NS5B less common (24-39%)**



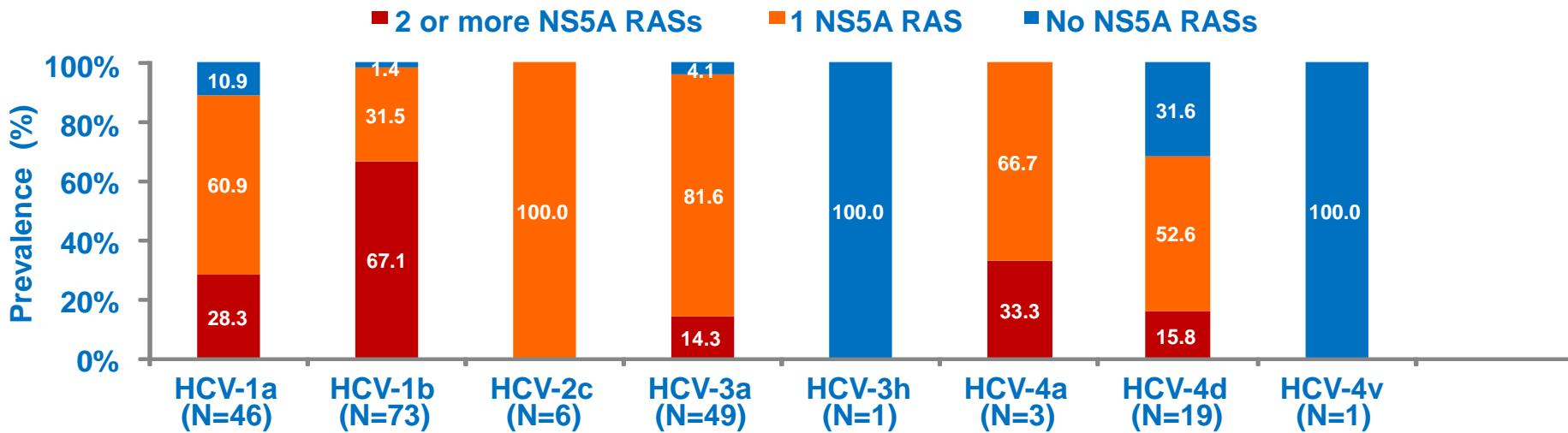
NI, Nucleotide inhibitor; NNI Non-Nucleoside Inhibitor

*Di Maio VC et al., EASL 2017  
& J Hepatol. 2017* <sup>16</sup>

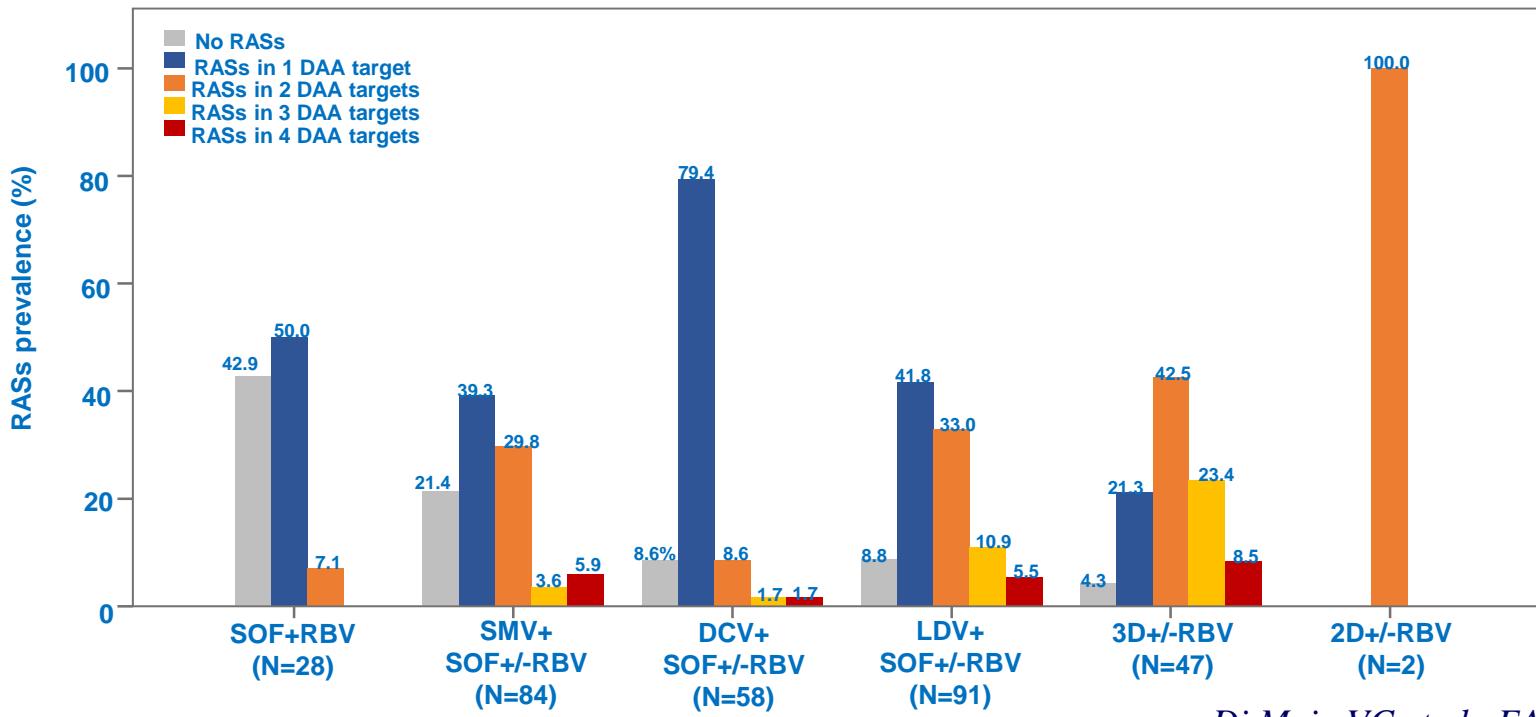
67% of NS3-failures and 92% of NS5A-failures were associated with RASs emergence



# 73/198 (36.9%) of NS5A-failing patients presented >2 NS5A-RASs



Notably, 125/282 (44.3%) patients treated with  $\geq 2$  DAA classes showed RASs on  $\geq 2$  DAA-targets at failure



Overall, the NS5B RAS S282T was detected in 9/277 (3.2%) of sofosbuvir failures

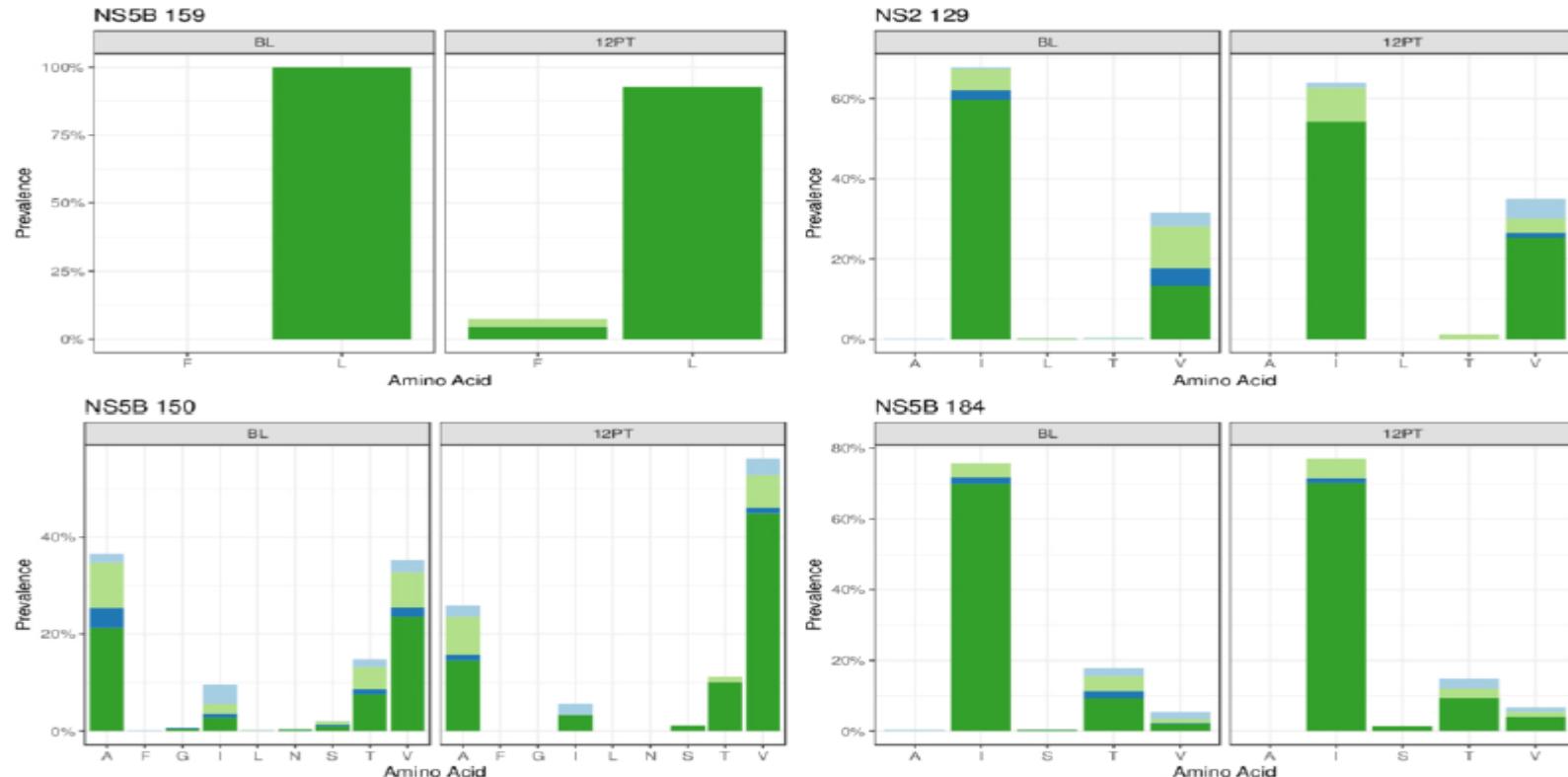
**Prevalence of S282T was higher in SOF HCV-4 failing patient 4/35 (11.4%) compared to SOF HCV-1b failing patients 4/107 (3.7%; p= n.s.)**

DAA Regimen	HCV geno/ subtype	DAA Outcome	Baseline RASs			Failure RASs		
			NS3	NS5A	NS5B	NS3	NS5A	NS5B
SMV+SOF	1b	Non-responder			L159F+C316N	D168V	L31M	L159F+ <u>S282T</u> +C316N
SMV+SOF	4a	Breakthrough				Q80R+D168E		<u>S282T</u>
LDV+SOF	1b	Relapse					L31I+Y93H	L159F+ <u>S282T</u> +C316N
LDV+SOF	1b	Relapse				Y56F+Q80L	Y93H	L159F+ <u>S282T</u> +C316N
LDV+SOF	1b	Relapse					L28M+A92T/A+Y93C	<u>S282T/S</u> +S556G
LDV+SOF	4a	Breakthrough					L30H	<u>S282T</u>
LDV+SOF	4a	Breakthrough		V28M+Y93H			V28M+Y93H	<u>S282T</u>
LDV+SOF+RBV	4d	Breakthrough					L28V	<u>S282T</u>
DCV+SOF	3a	Relapse				D168Q	Y93H	<u>S282T</u>
SOF+RBV	2a	Relapse					L31M	<u>S282R+C316T+L320C</u>

Baseline resistance test not available

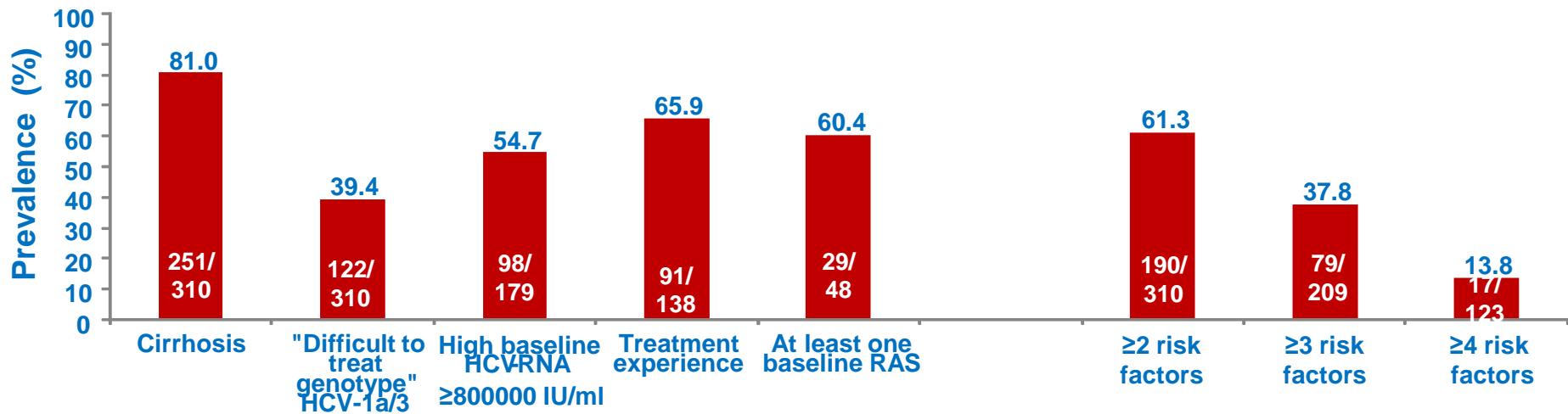
n.s., not significant

The L159F RAS and putative RASSs NS2 I129V and NS5B A150V were significantly enriched in 12-weeks post treatment samples



2 or more failure risk factors were present at baseline in the majority of failing patients

*60% of our failing patients already had natural RASs at DAA baseline*



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# Conditions for a broad use of HCV resistance testing in clinical practice

- A standardized assay should be available as a purchasable kit, externally validated for its performance and easy to routinely used in any virology laboratory with experience in molecular biology. Whatever the technology used, the assay should be able to reliably report the presence of RASs with a validated and repeatable sensitivity of 15% equivalent to population sequencing. (ii)
- Interpretation and reporting of HCV resistance data should be homogenized and standardized through recommendations by an international organization.
- Clinically relevant RASs should be clearly identified, and only these RASs should be reported and used for treatment decisions.
- Guidelines should be provided by international societies to guide treatment decisions based on resistance testing results, on the basis of data from clinical trials and real-life studies reporting strong predictive values of the different RAS profiles.



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## Validazione Nazionale Test Resistenza HCV NS3, NS5A, NS5B – GT1,2,3,4

I Fase (conclusa Febbraio 2018)

- 21 Centri Sanger Sequencing
- 1 Centro next generation sequencing

# Validazione Nazionale Test Resistenza HCV



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Fondazione Vironet C website. At the top, the foundation's name is displayed in large blue letters. Below it, a sub-headline reads "uno sguardo avanti verso la ricerca per la prevenzione dell'epatite C". Two buttons are visible at the bottom left: "CHI SIAMO" and "COSA FACCIAMO".

## Sanger Sequencing

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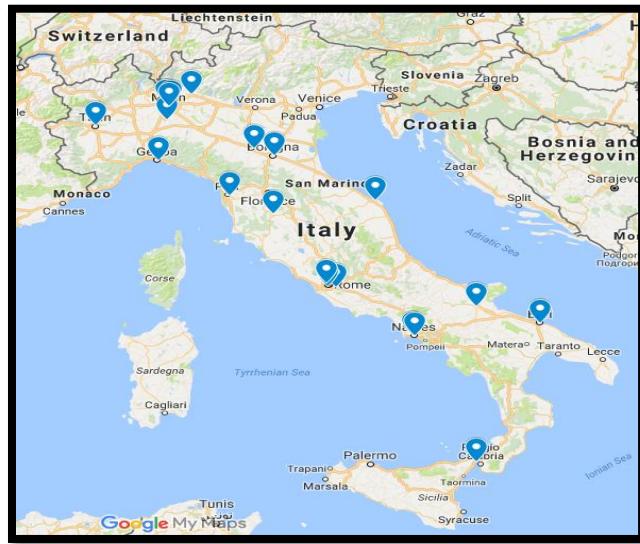


The sequencing protocols used by the 22 centers allowed full coverage of NS3 and NS5A positions associated with resistance.

With respect to next-generation sequencing results, 12 labs had 0-1 RAS discordance, 3 labs had 2 discordances, and 1 lab had 4 discordances.

- Accuracy for NS3 sequencing ranged from 83.3% to 100%.

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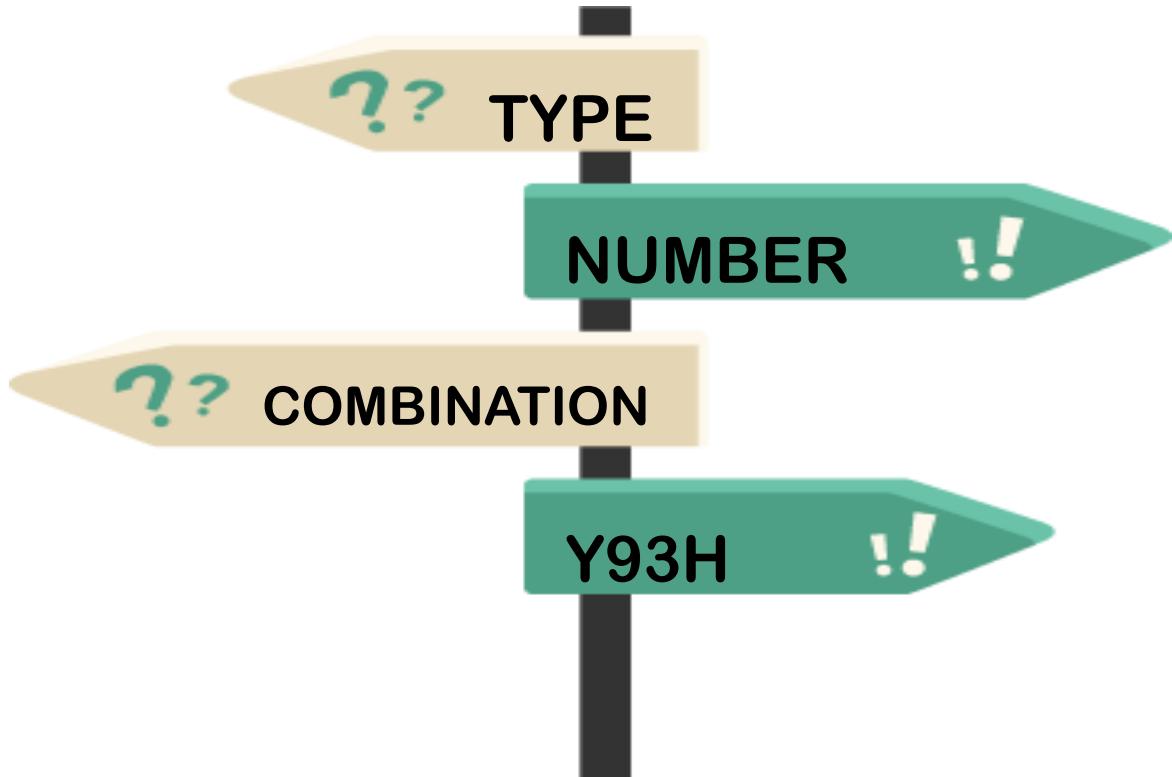
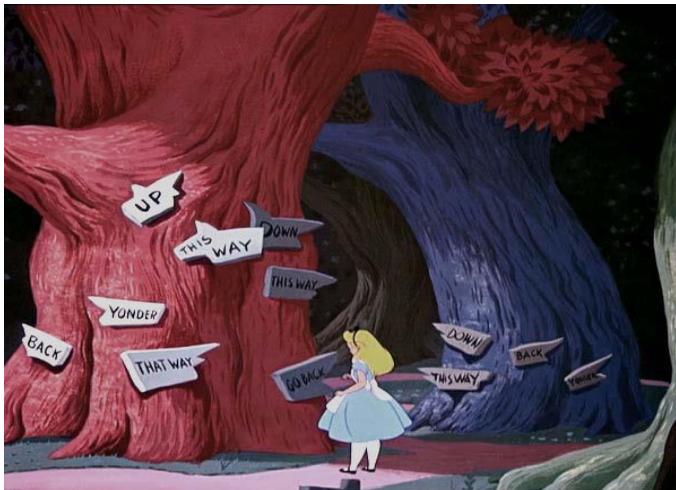


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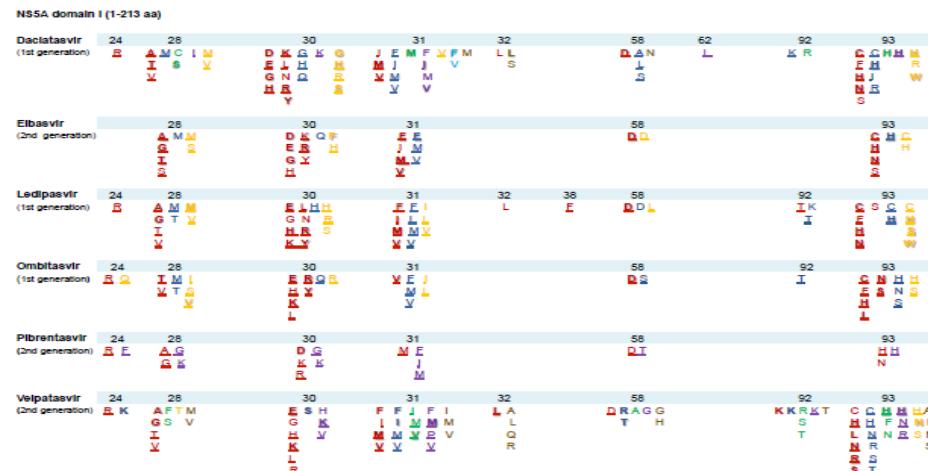
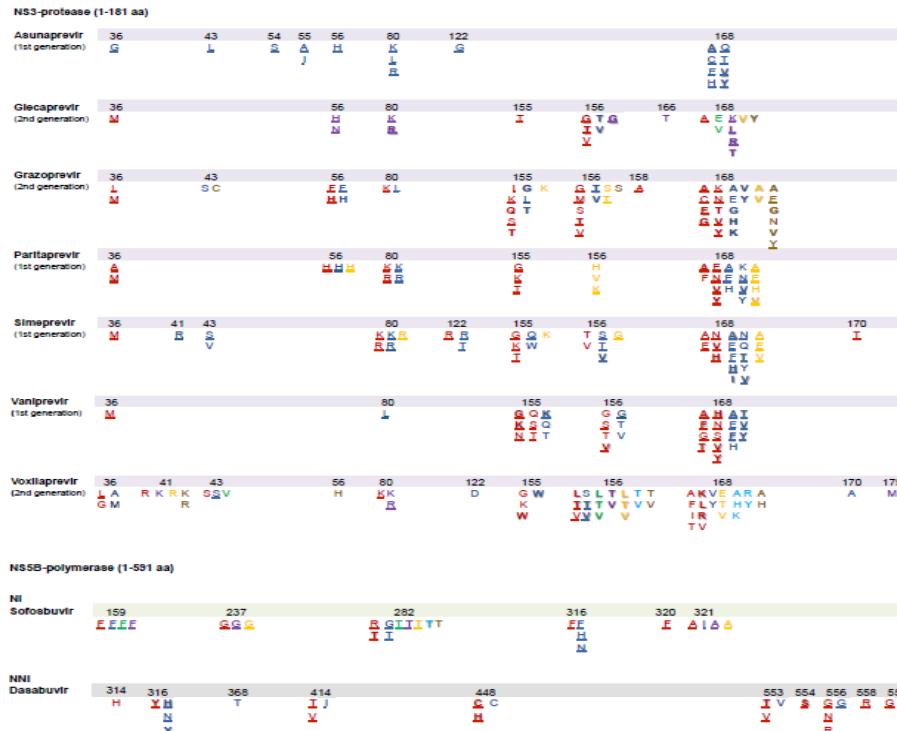


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# HCV Resistance Issue After Failure: what should I look at?



# A stunning number of RASs have been reported in literature



## Resistance figure notation

RASs detected *in vivo* in DAA failing patients are underlined, independently of *in vitro* data information.

For NS3A-inhibitors and 1<sup>st</sup> generation NS3- and NS5A-inhibitors, substitutions detected only *in vitro* with fold-change  $\geq 10$  are shown, and if detected also *in vivo* are in bold. Substitutions associated only *in vitro* with fold-change  $>1000$  are represented in bold.

For 2<sup>nd</sup> generation NS3- and NS5A-inhibitors, *in vivo* and/or *in vitro* substitutions with fold-change  $>2.5$  are shown, and with fold-change  $\geq 10$  are in bold.

156 amino acid position

HCV genotypes and subtype: 1a – red 1b – blue 2a/b/c – green 3a – purple 4a/d – yellow 5-light blue 6-brown

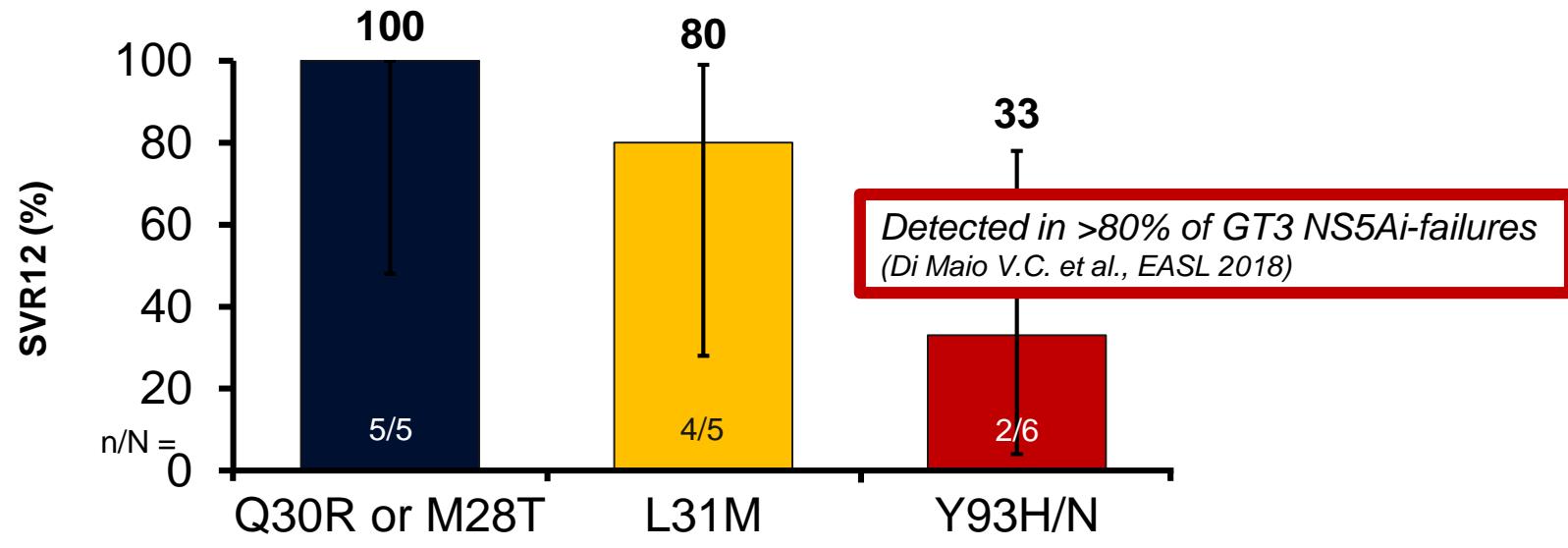
# Not all NS5A RASs are created equal

Fold Change	Genotype 1a				Genotype 1b	
	M28T	Q30R	L31M/V	Y93H/N	L31V	Y93H/N
Ledipasvir	20x	> 100x	> 100x/ > 100x	> 1000x/ > 10,000x		> 100x/-
Ombitasvir	> 1000x	> 100x	< 3x	> 10,000x/ > 10,000x	< 10x	20x/50x
Daclatasvir	> 100x	> 1000x	> 100x/ > 1000x	> 1000x/ > 10,000x	< 10x	20x/50x
Elbasvir	20x	> 100x	> 10x > 100x	> 1000x/ > 1000x	< 10x	> 100x/-
Pibrentasvir	< 3x	< 3x	< 3x	< 10x	< 3x	< 3x
Velpatasvir	< 10x	< 3x	20x/50x	> 100x/ > 1000x	< 3x	< 3x/-

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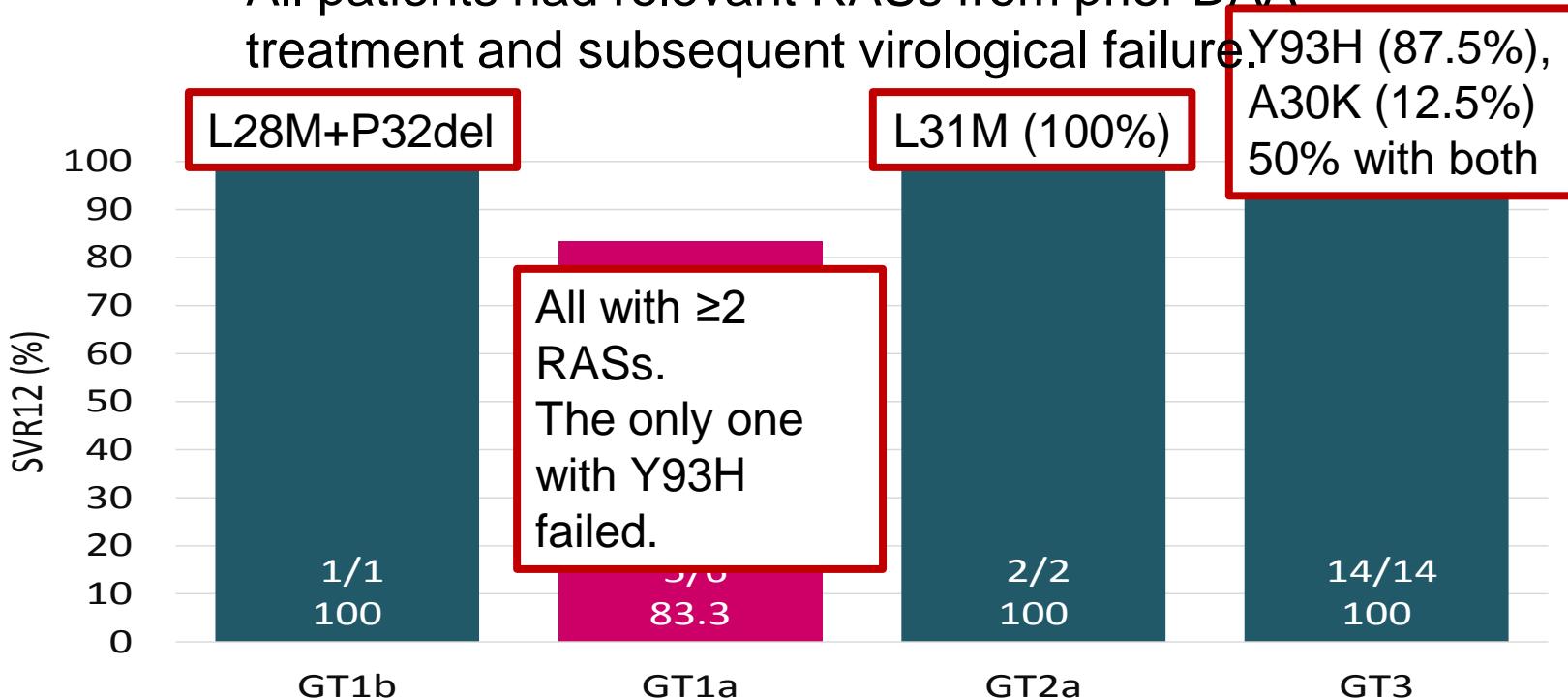
## Differential impact of NS5A RASs during retreatment with a cross-resistant regimen

- 8-wk or 12-wk LDV/SOF-based treatment failures retreated with LDV/SOF for 24 wks (N = 41)



# 96% SVR12 in G/P failures following G/P+SOF retreatment

All patients had relevant RASs from prior DAA treatment and subsequent virological failure.

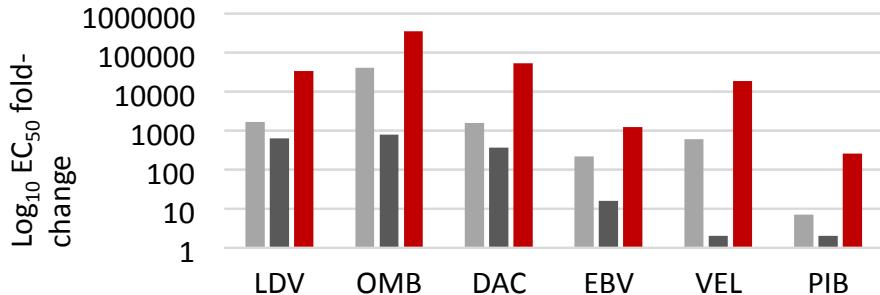


NS5Ai EC<sub>50</sub> exponentially increases when 2 or more RASs are present at the same time

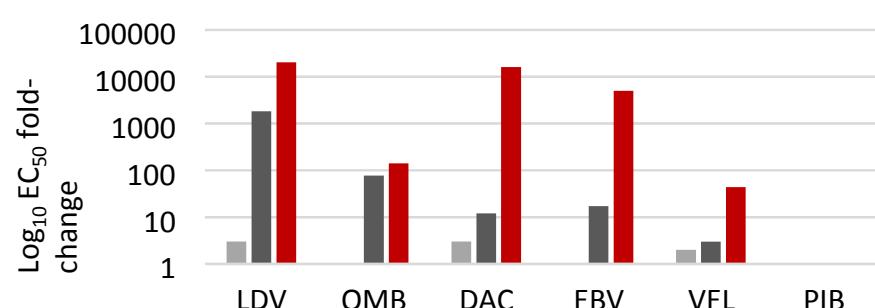
	RASs	EC <sub>50</sub> fold-change					
		LDV	OMB	DAC	EBV	VEL	PIB
<b>GT1a</b>	Y93H	1677	41383	1600	220	609	7
	Q30R	632	800	365	16	2	2
<b>GT1b</b>	L31M	3	1	3	1	2	1
	Y93H	1807	77	12	17	3	1



**GT1a** ■ Y93H ■ Q30R ■ Y93H+Q30R



**GT1b** ■ L31M ■ Y93H ■ L31M+Y93H



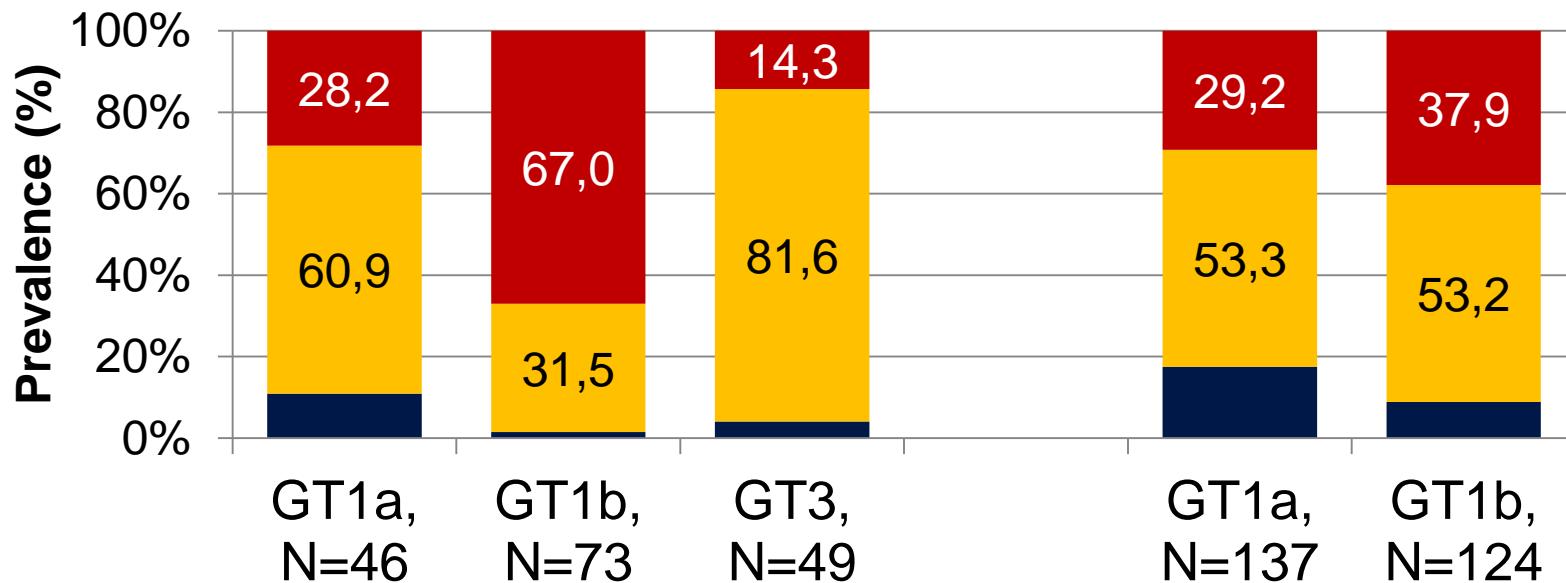
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## Prevalence of single and multiple NS5A resistance associated substitutions in after NS5A-inhibitor failure

### NS5A RAS at failure after LDV, DAC, OBV containing regimen

■ No RASs ■ 1 RAS ■ ≥2 RASs



Di Maio VC, et al., J Hepatol. 2018  
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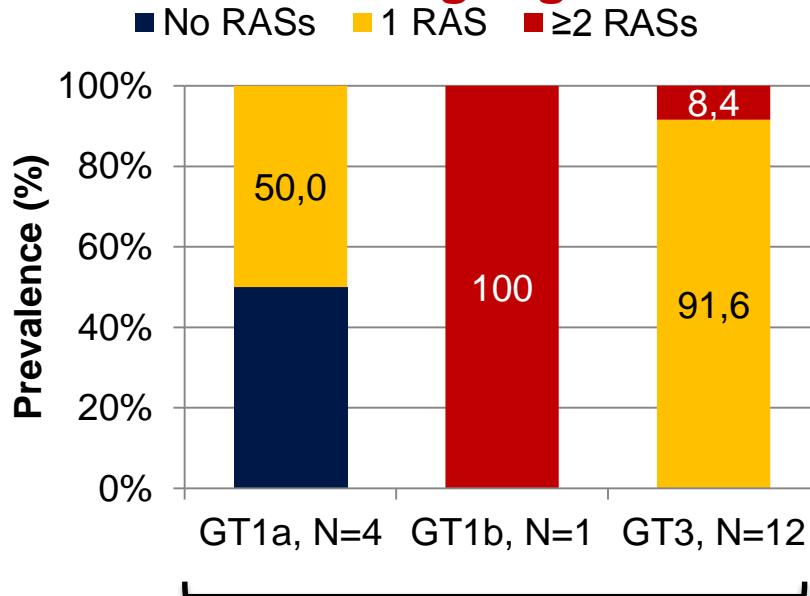
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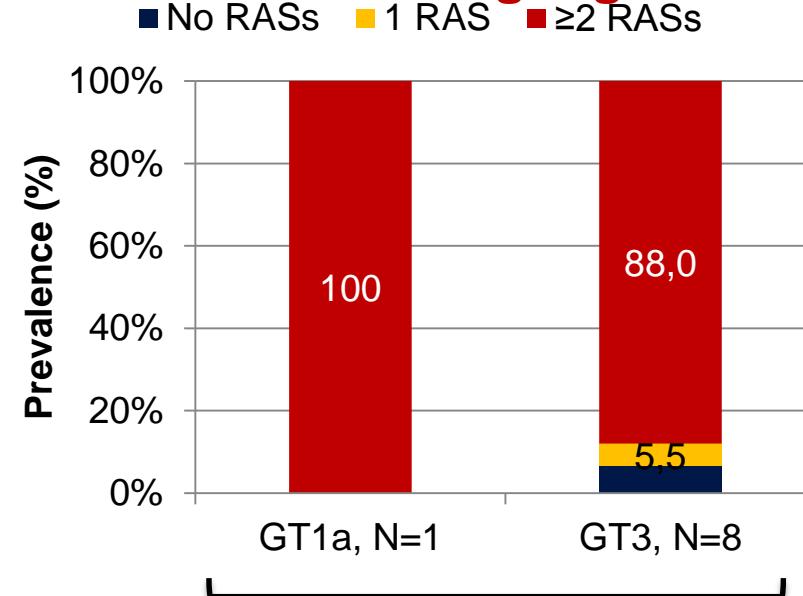
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### NS5A RAS at failure after VEL containing regimen



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### NS5A RAS at failure after PIB containing regimen



Puoti M, et al., J Hepatol. 2018 Mar 15.

**MAGELLAN-I:** efficacy of glecaprevir/pibrentasvir in DAA-experienced patients can be reduced by double-class RASs

### SVR<sub>12</sub> rate by prior DAA-experience

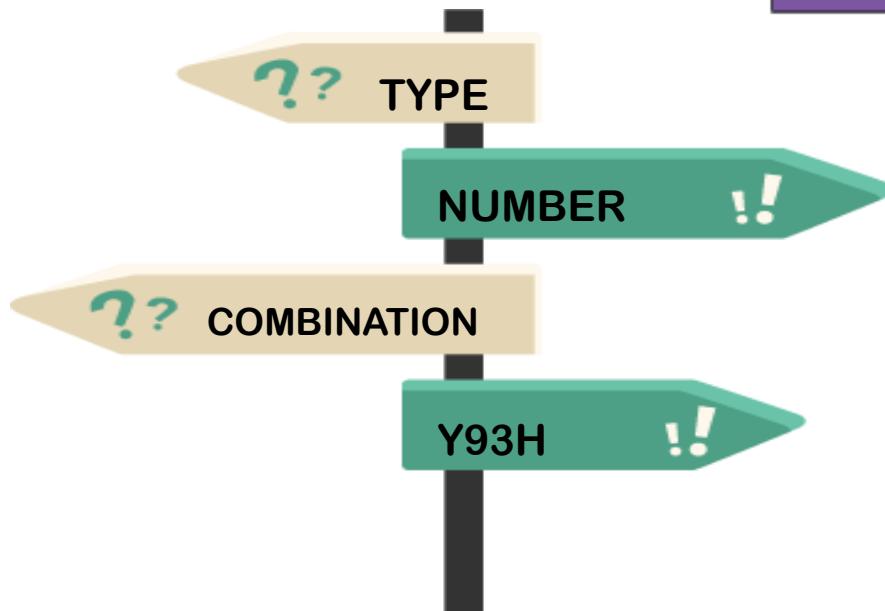
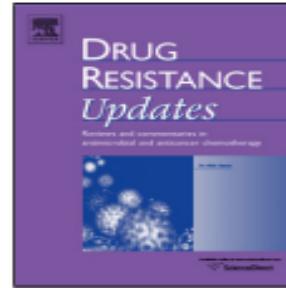
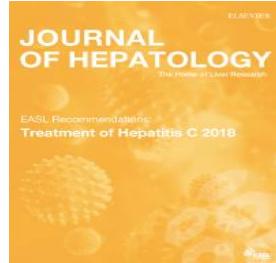
- Overall
- PI-experienced
- NSSA inhibitor-experienced
- PI + NSSA inhibitor-experienced



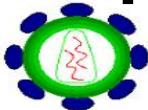
### SVR<sub>12</sub> rate by baseline RASs

- None
- NS3 only
- NSSA only
- NS3 + NSSA





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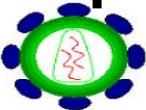
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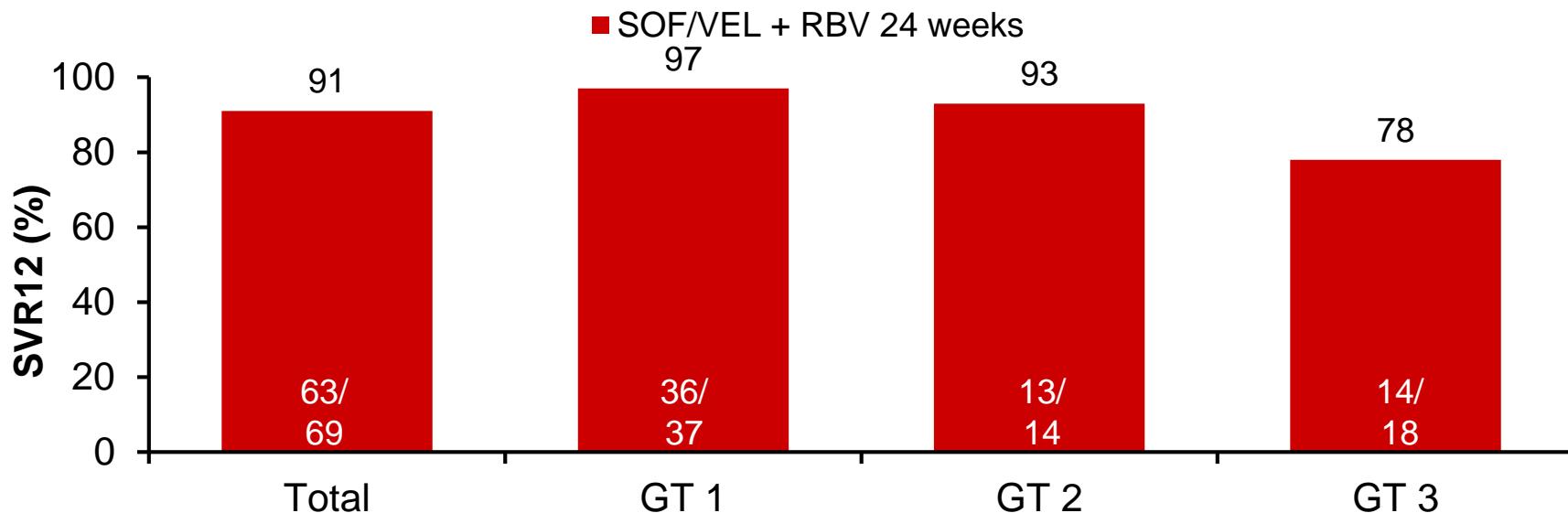
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Drugs	Scored mutations	Resistance analysis
Daclatasvir	<b>28M,93H</b>	<b>resistant</b>
Elbasvir	<b>93H</b>	<b>resistant</b>
Ledipasvir	<b>28M,93H</b>	<b>resistant</b>
Ombitasvir	<b>28M,93H</b>	<b>resistant</b>
Pibrentasvir	<b>none</b>	<b>susceptible</b>
Velpatasvir	<b>93H</b>	<b>resistant</b>

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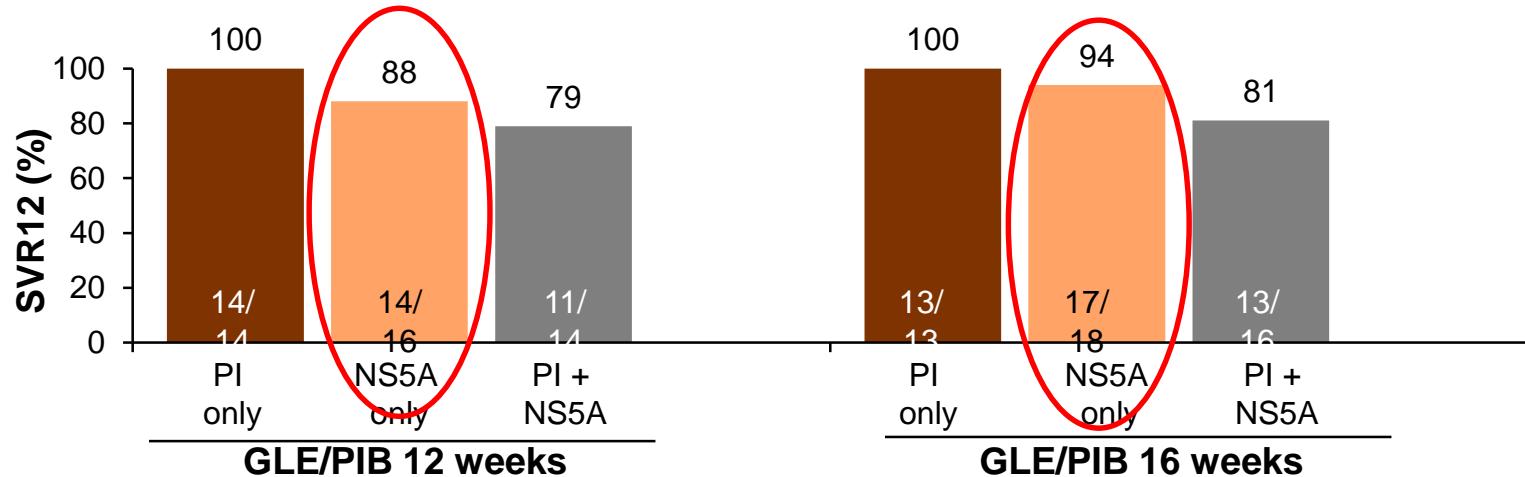
# SOF/VEL + RBV for 24 weeks in NS5A inhibitor-experienced patients



# Efficacy of GLE/PIB in DAA-experienced GT 1 patients

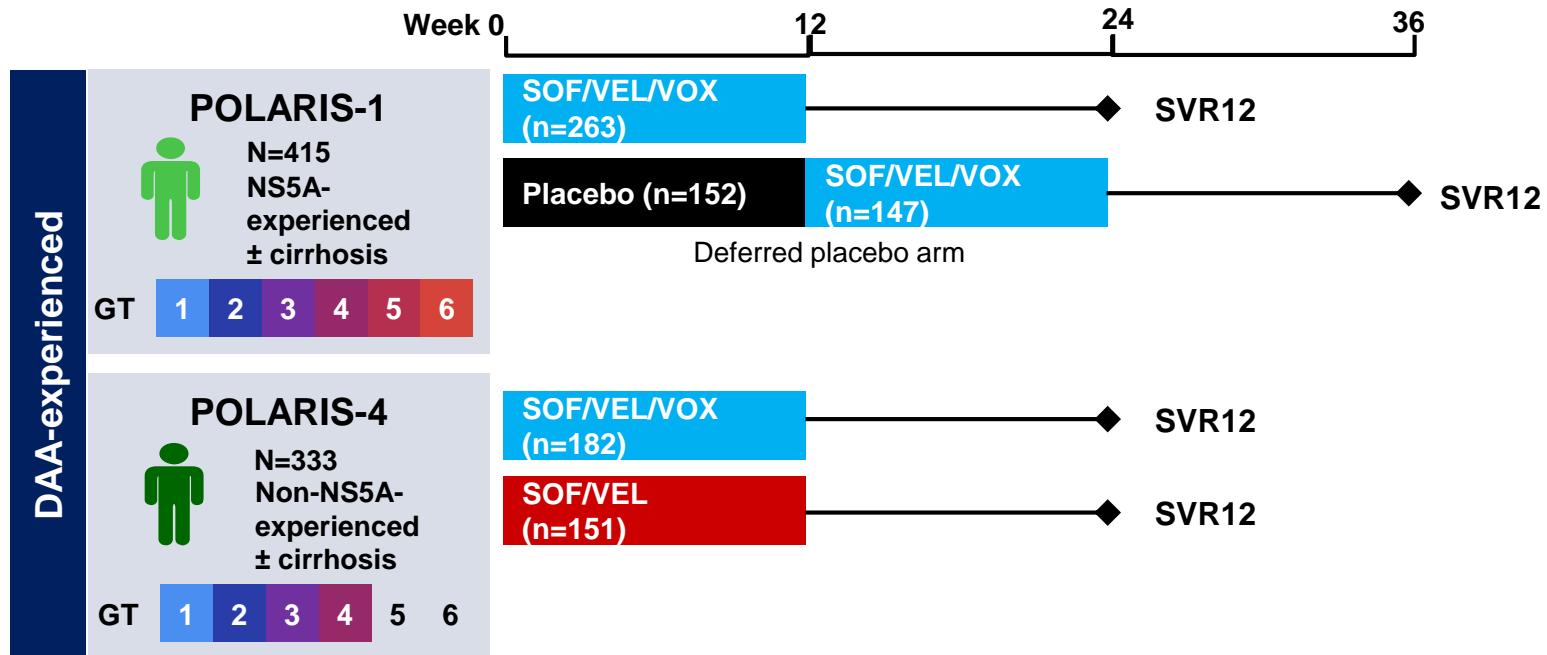
## MAGELLAN-1, part 2: randomised, open-label, Phase 2 study

Virological response in PI- and/or NS5A inhibitor-experienced patients without and with cirrhosis

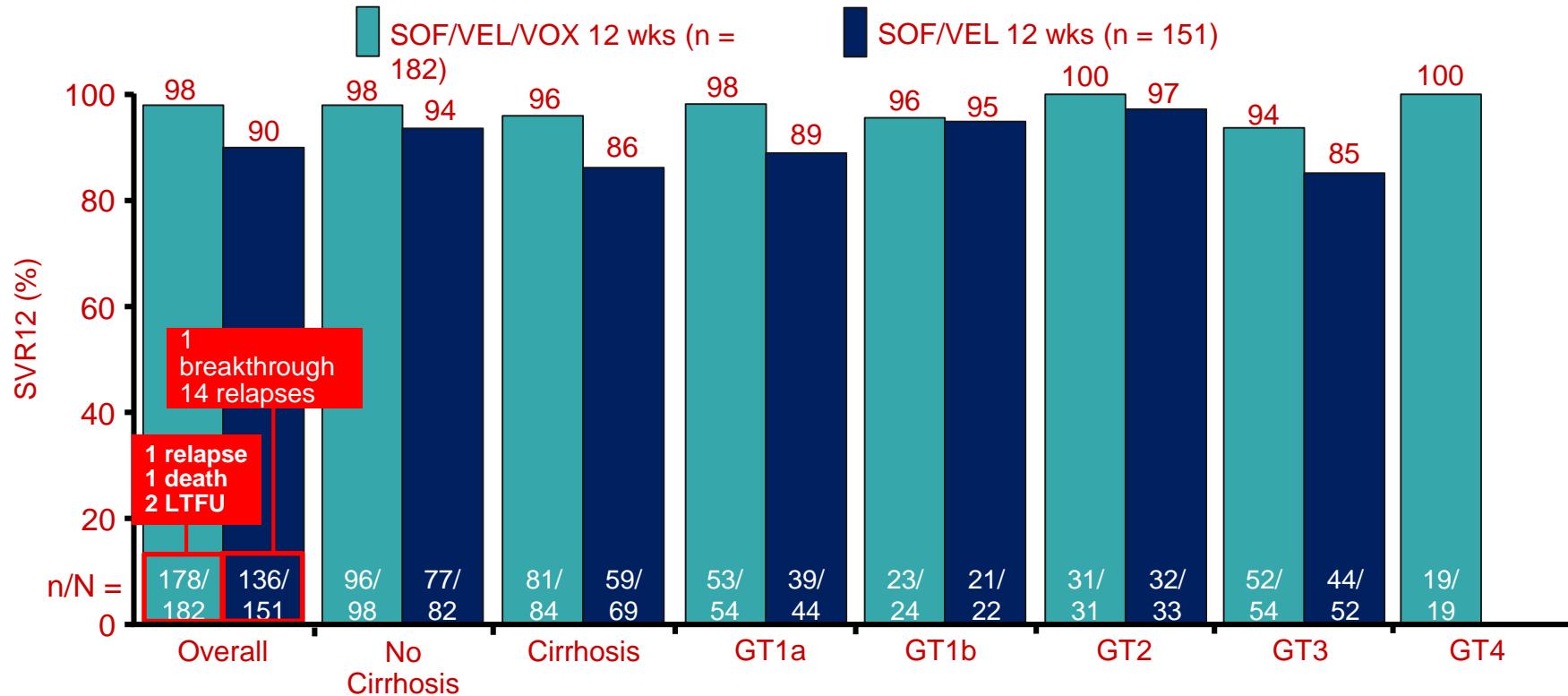


GLE/PIB is not approved in the EU for the re-treatment of patients with prior exposure to NS3/4A and/or NS5A inhibitors

# SOF/VEL/VOX for 12 weeks in GT 1–6 DAA-experienced patients: POLARIS-1 and -4

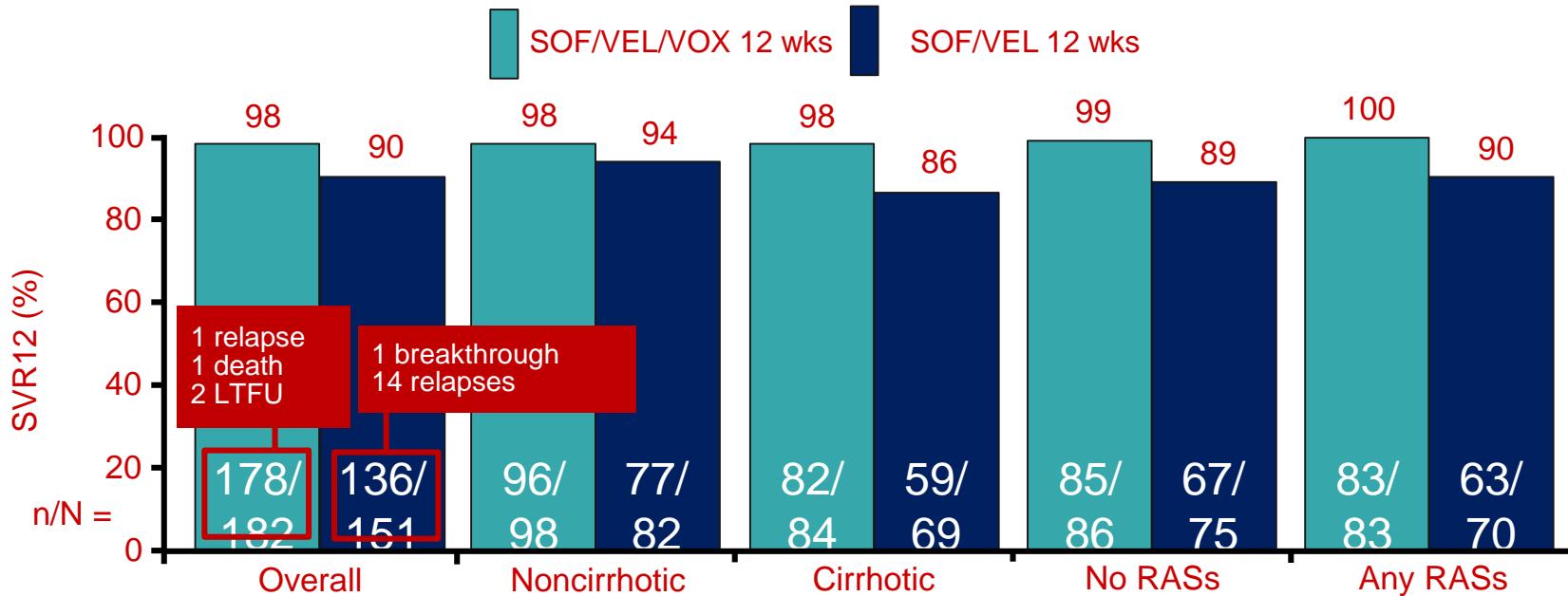


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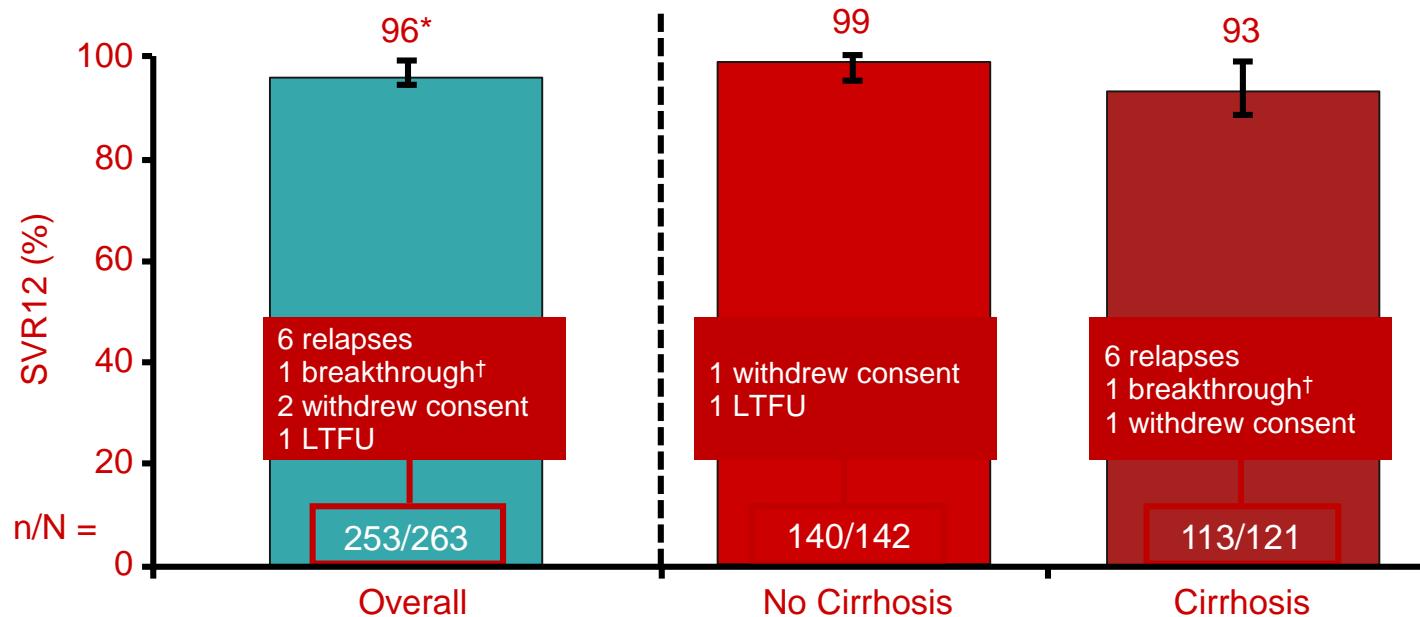


# POLARIS-4: SVR12 With SOF/VEL/VOX for 12 Wks in Non-NS5A Inhibitor, DAA-Exp'd Pts

SOF/VEL/VOX:  $P < .001$  for superiority vs prespecified 85% goal; SOF/VEL:  $P = .09$



# POLARIS-1: SVR12 With SOF/VEL/VOX for 12 Wks in NS5Ai experienced: overall and by Cirrhosis Status

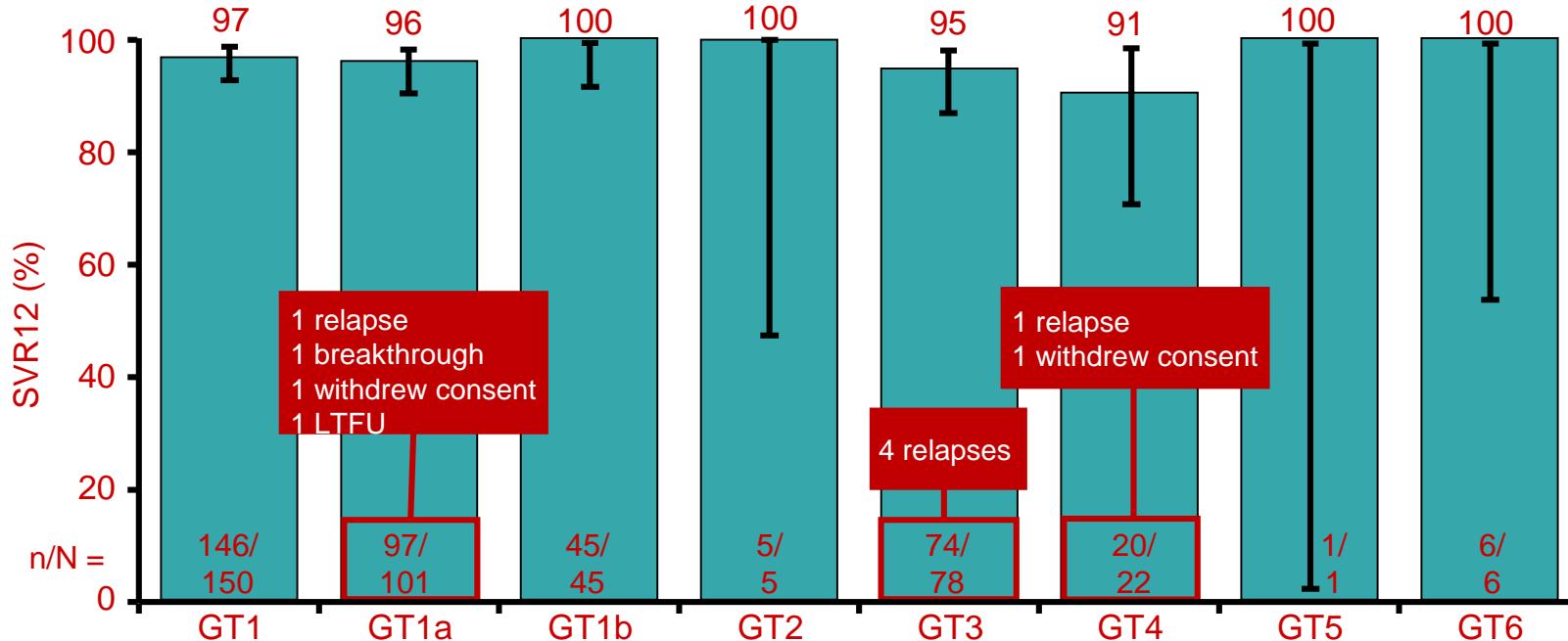


\* $P < .001$  for superiority vs prespecified 85% performance goal for SOF/VEL/VOX.

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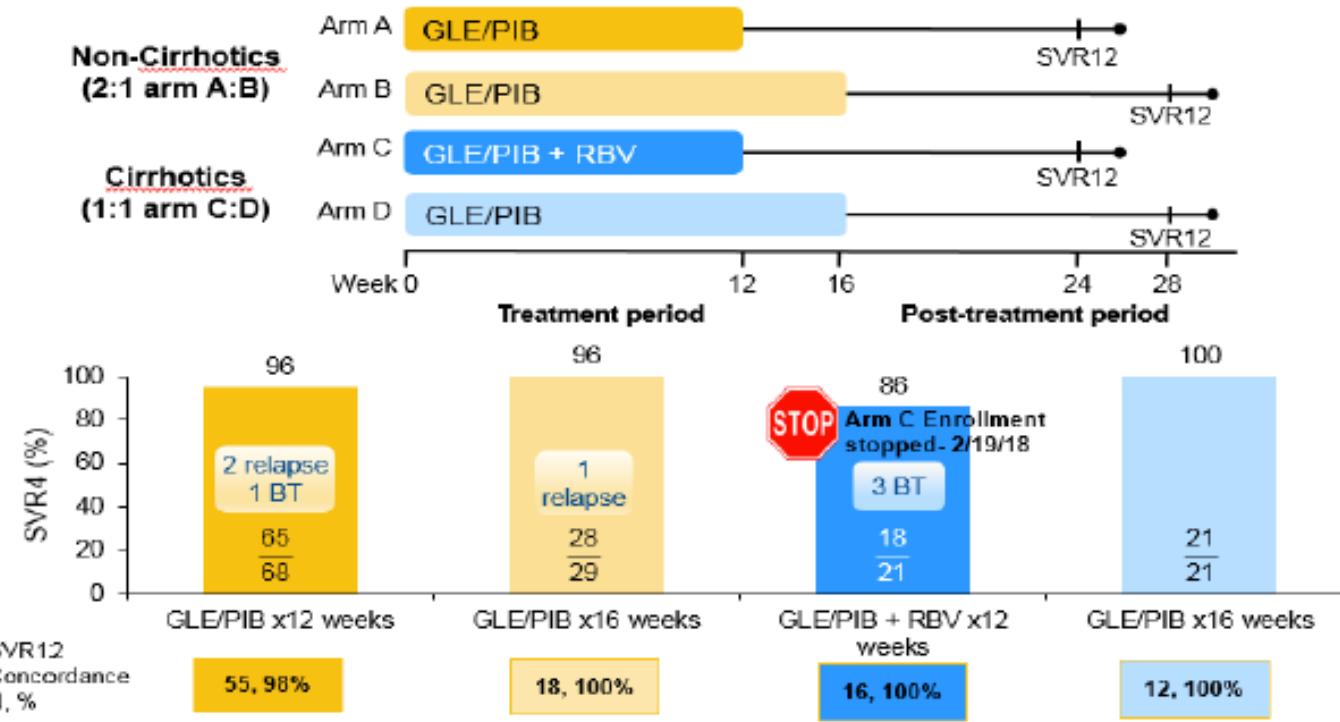
# POLARIS-1: SVR12 by Genotype With 12-Wk SOF/VEL/VOX in NS5A Inhibitor–Experienced Pts

Only 1 GT4 pt developed a treatment-emergent RAS (NS5A Y93H)



# Phase 3b, open-label, randomized study of glecaprevir /pibrentasvir +/- RBV for HCV **GT1** subjects who previously failed an NS5A Inhibitor + SOF

- Phase 3b, multi-center, randomized, open-label, pragmatic study



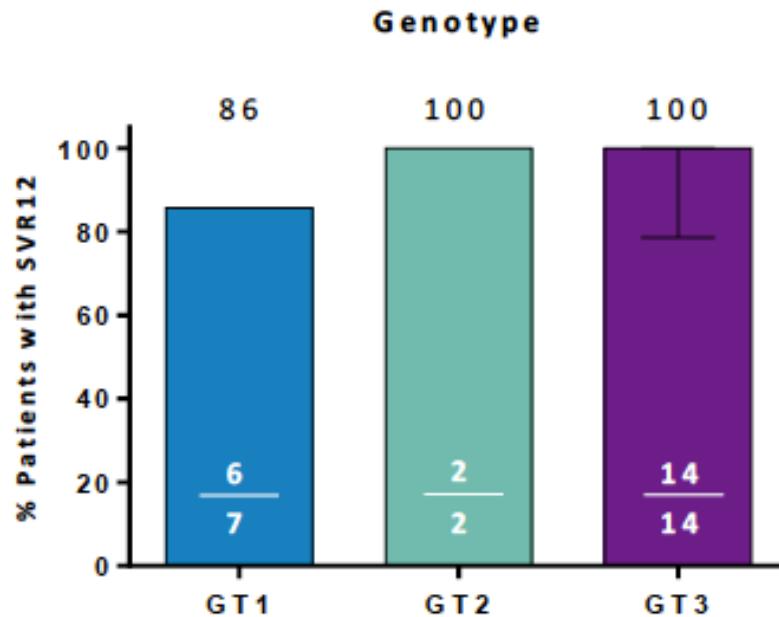
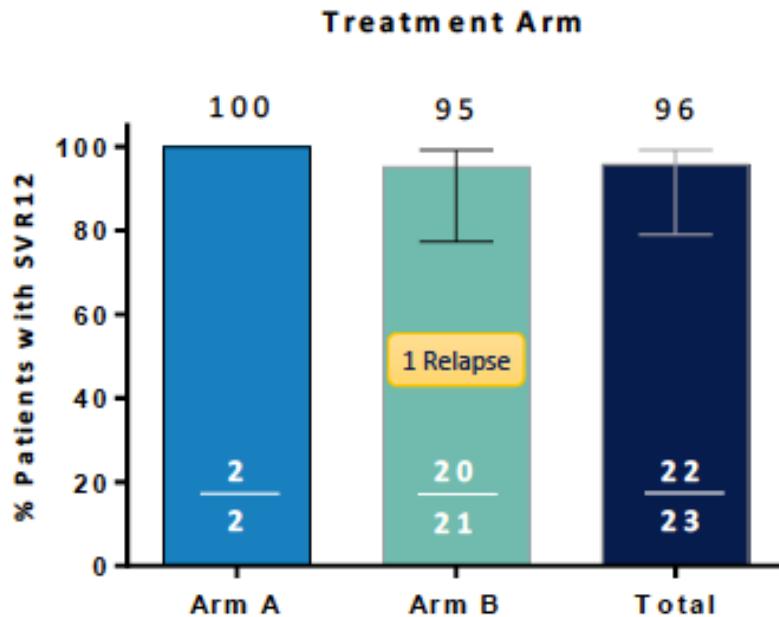
GLE, glecaprevir; PIB, pibrentasvir; RBV, ribavirin; SOF, sofosbuvir; BT, breakthrough



Lok A et al. ILC 2018;LBO-008

# Retreatment of patients who failed glecaprevir/pibrentasvir treatment for hepatitis C. Magallen-3 study

Phase 3 ongoing study evaluating the efficacy and safety of G/P +SOF+ RBV patients who previously failed G/P treatment.



- 30% had cirrhosis, 26% failed PI and/or NSSAi before G/P treatment failure, and 65% had ≥2 NSSA RAS at baseline

Arm A: Non GT 3, Non Cirrhosis G/P+SOF+RBV 12 wks

Arm B: Any GT with or without Cirrhosis G/P+SOF+RBV 16 weeks

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# Is Resistance Testing Needed When Retreating Pts Who Failed DAA-Containing Regimens?

Regimen	AASLD/IDSA RAS Testing Recommendations for Treatment-Experienced Pts
GLE/PIB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Not recommended</li></ul>
SOF/LDV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Consider for pts with GT1a HCV; if significant resistance present, extend treatment and add RBV or select a different regimen</li></ul>
SOF/VEL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recommended for pts with GT3 HCV; if Y93H mutation present, add RBV to regimen</li></ul>
SOF/VEL/VOX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Not recommended</li></ul>

# Retreatment of Persons in Whom Prior Therapy Failed

Previous Regimen	PR + NS3i						SOF + R ± PEGIFN ± NS3i									
Genotype	1a		1b		4		1a		1b		2		3		4	
Liver disease stage	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C
SOF/LDV 12 w	■		■													
SOF/LDV+R 12 w		■		■			■		■							
SOF+VEL 12 w	■	■	■	■					■	■	■	■				
G/P 12 w	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■				
EBR/GZR +R 12 w	■	■	■	■												
EBR/GZR + R 16 w if bl NS5ARAS	■	■														
SOF/VEL/VOX 12 w + RBV													■			
SOF/VEL/VOX 12 w					■	■	■	■			■		■	■		

■ Recommended  
 ■ Alternative

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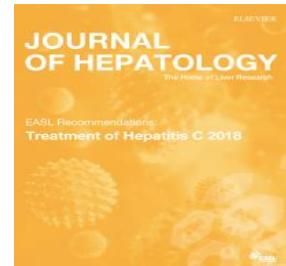
# Retreatment of Persons in Whom Prior Therapy Failed

Previous Regimen	NS5Ai containing regimen										NS5A i+ NS3i
Genotype	1a		1b		2		3		4		All
Liver disease stage	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC	C	NC & C
G/P 16 w	■	■	■	■	■	■					?
SOF/VEL/VOX 12 w + RBV								■			?
SOF/VEL/VOX 12 w	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		■	■	?

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# EASL Recommendations on Treatment of Hepatitis C 2018



## ■ Recommendations

- HCV resistance testing prior to retreatment in patients who failed after any of the DAA-containing treatment regimens is useful to guide retreatment by probabilities of response, according to the resistance profile observed in the context of a **multidisciplinary team** including experienced treaters and virologists (**B2**).

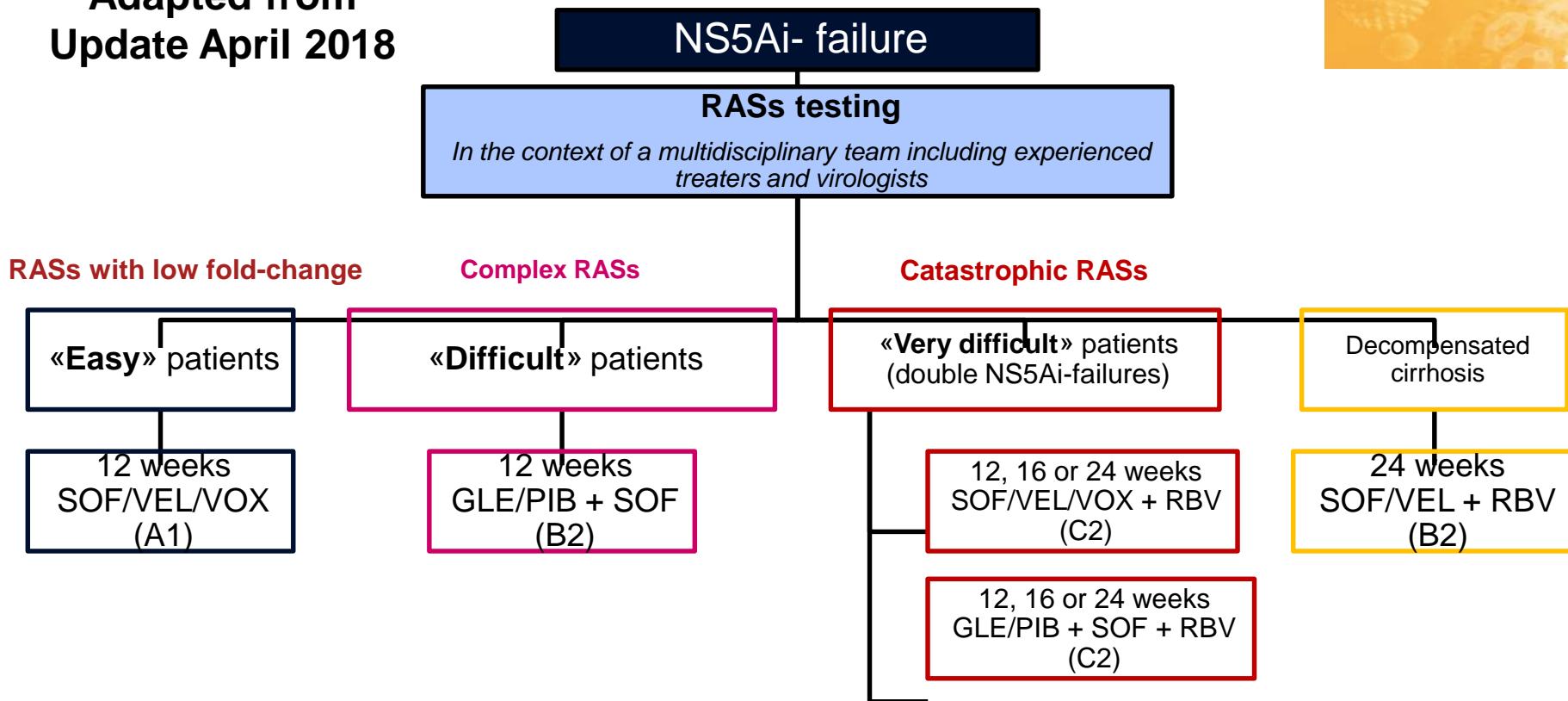
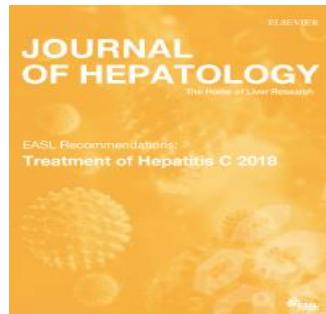
# AdHoc Working Party – Statements 2017 (... and 2018)



- Resistance testing after treatment failure in all 3 genes (independently from the failure regimen) is **mandatory** in order to optimize retreatment strategy.
  - NS3
  - NS5A
  - NS5B: for the two different classes of nucleoside and non-nucleoside inhibitors.

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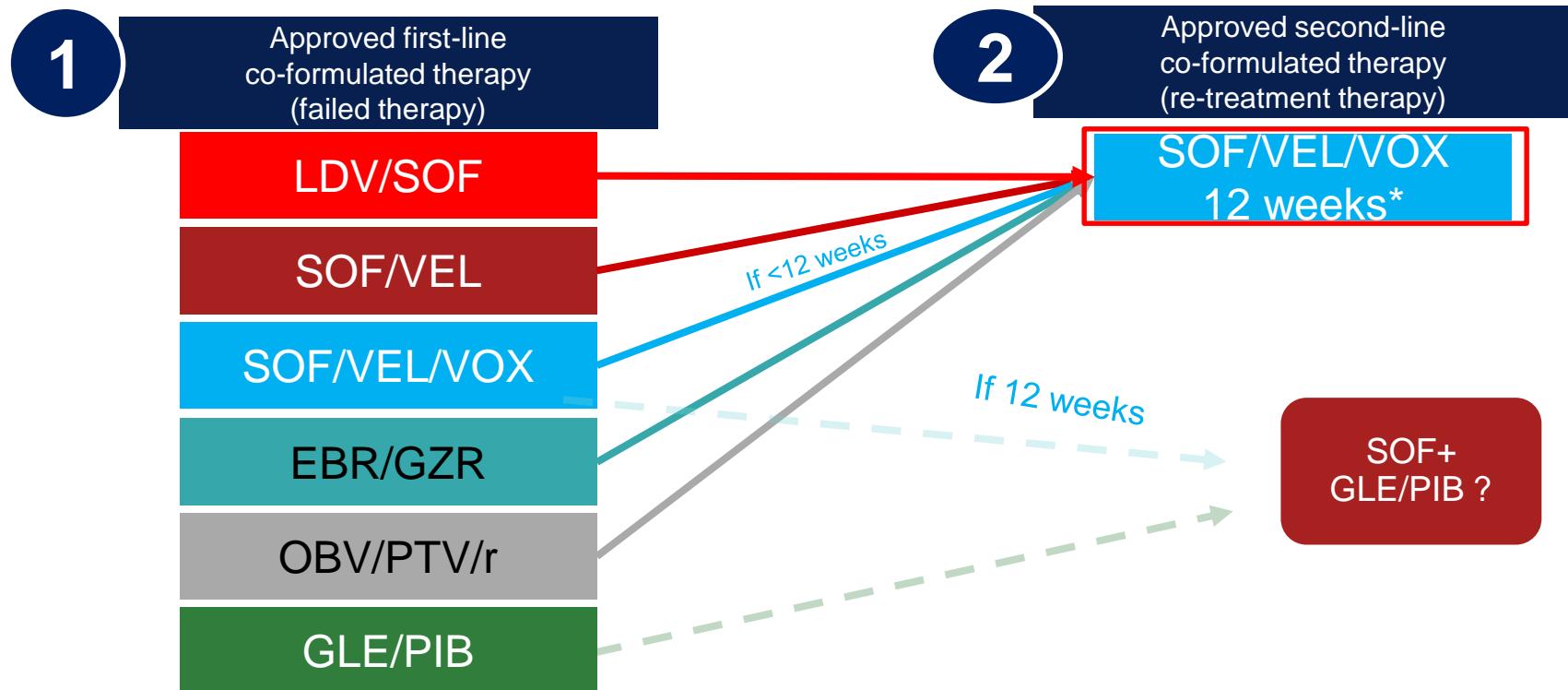
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# Re-treatment: a la carte

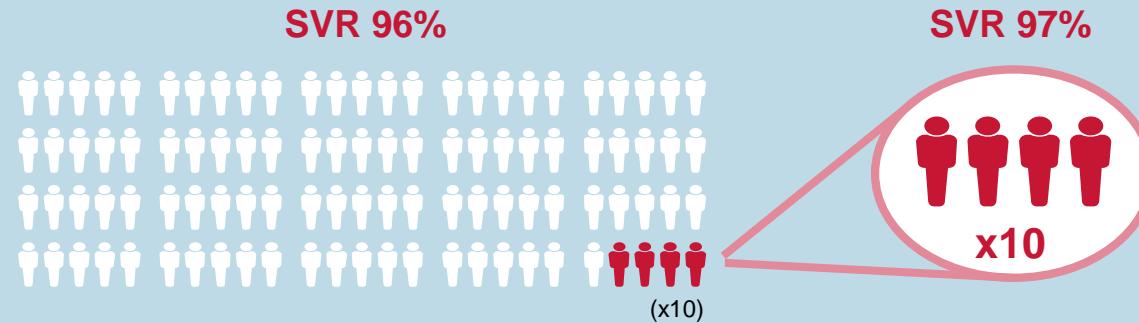
- Identify at least 2 antivirals active according to resistance testing
- Deferral of re-treatment
  - No advanced liver disease
  - Options with 2 active drugs will be available in the next future
  - Active HCC
  - ON LT waiting list
- Prolong treatment duration and/or add Ribavirin if multiple predictors of poor response are present
  - Advanced liver disease
  - Very High HCVRNA
  - Reduced activity of prescribed drugs according to RASs testing
  - IL28 non CC

## Re-treatment: fixed menu



\*SOF/VEL/VOX has not been tested in patients who have experienced treatment failure with GLE/PIB or SOF/VEL/VOX 12 weeks s

With an effective treatment and re-treatment strategy, the vast majority of patients could achieve an SVR



Overall  
Up to 999/1000 eligible patients could achieve an SVR

With the potential for an up to 99.9% SVR at the population level, elimination of HCV could become a reality!

Flamm S, et al. ILC 2017; Poster #SAT-279; Curry M, et al. ILC 2017; Oral #102; Terrault N, et al. Gastroenterology 2016;151:1131–40;  
Khalili M, et al. ILC 2017; Poster #SAT-222; Vermehren J, et al. ILC 2017;  
Poster #FRI-247; Welzel TM, et al. ILC 2016; Poster #SAT-274;  
Roberts S, et al. ILC 2017; Poster #SAT-280

\*SOF/VEL/VOX is not recommended in patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment (CTP B or CTP C). This is a concept slide based on a real-world SVR of 96% calculated from 9391 patients treated with LDV/SOF ± RBV and SOF/VEL ± RBV in the TRIO, HCV-TARGET and DHC-R cohorts. Re-treatment SVR of 97% with SOF/VEL/VOX is reported in the POLARIS-1–4 integrated analysis.<sup>66</sup>



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