

Efavirenz (*Sustiva*)

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Sustiva
[sus-TEE-vah]



200 mg

600 mg



NNRTI

Dose: 600 mg once daily on empty stomach, preferably at bedtime

INITIAL THERAPY

Efavirenz

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Summary of Key Studies

- Phase 3 Trials in Treatment-Naïve

- ACTG 5202: EFV versus ATV/r, both with TDF-FTC or ABC-3TC
- ENCORE-1: EFV 400 mg versus EFV 600 mg, with 2 NRTIs
- ACTG 5095: PI-sparing regimens
- ACTG 5142: LPV/r + EFV; LPV/r + NRTIs; EFV + NRTIs
- GS-934: EFV + TDF-FTC versus EFV + ABC-3TC
- ECHO: EFV + TDF-FTC versus RPV + TDF-FTC
- THRIVE: EFV + 2NRTIs versus RPV + 2NRTIs
- LAKE: EFV + ABC-3TC versus LPV/r + ABC-3TC
- SUPPORT: EFV + ABC-3TC in underrepresented populations

Efavirenz

Summary of Key Studies

- Phase 3 Trials in Treatment-Experienced
 - 006: EFV + IDV, EFV + ZDV-3TV versus IDV + ZDV-3TC
 - ACTG 388: Efavirenz versus Nelfinavir, both with 3TC-ZVD + IDV
- Switch/Simplification Trials
 - ACTG 5116 (and 5125s): PI-sparing versus NRTI sparing regimens

TREATMENT EXPERIENCED

Efavirenz

EFV versus ATV + RTV, both with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC
ACTG 5202

EFV versus ATV/r, both with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC

ACTG 5202: Study Design

Study Design: ACTG 5202

- **Background:** Randomized, phase 3b equivalence trial to evaluate open-label efavirenz against atazanavir + ritonavir, each with either double-blinded abacavir-lamivudine or tenofovir DF-emtricitabine, for initial treatment of HIV.
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 1857)**
 - Age >16 years
 - Antiretroviral-naive
 - No major resistance mutations
- **Treatment Arms (all medications once daily)**
 - EFV 600 mg + ABC-3TC 600-300 mg
 - ATV 300 mg + RTV 100 mg + ABC-3TC 600-300 mg
 - EFV 600 mg + TDF-FTC 300-200 mg
 - ATV 300 mg + RTV 100 mg + TDF-FTC 300-200 mg

EFV + ABC-3TC

(n = 465)

ATV + RTV + ABC-3TC

(n = 463)

EFV + TDF-FTC

(n=464)

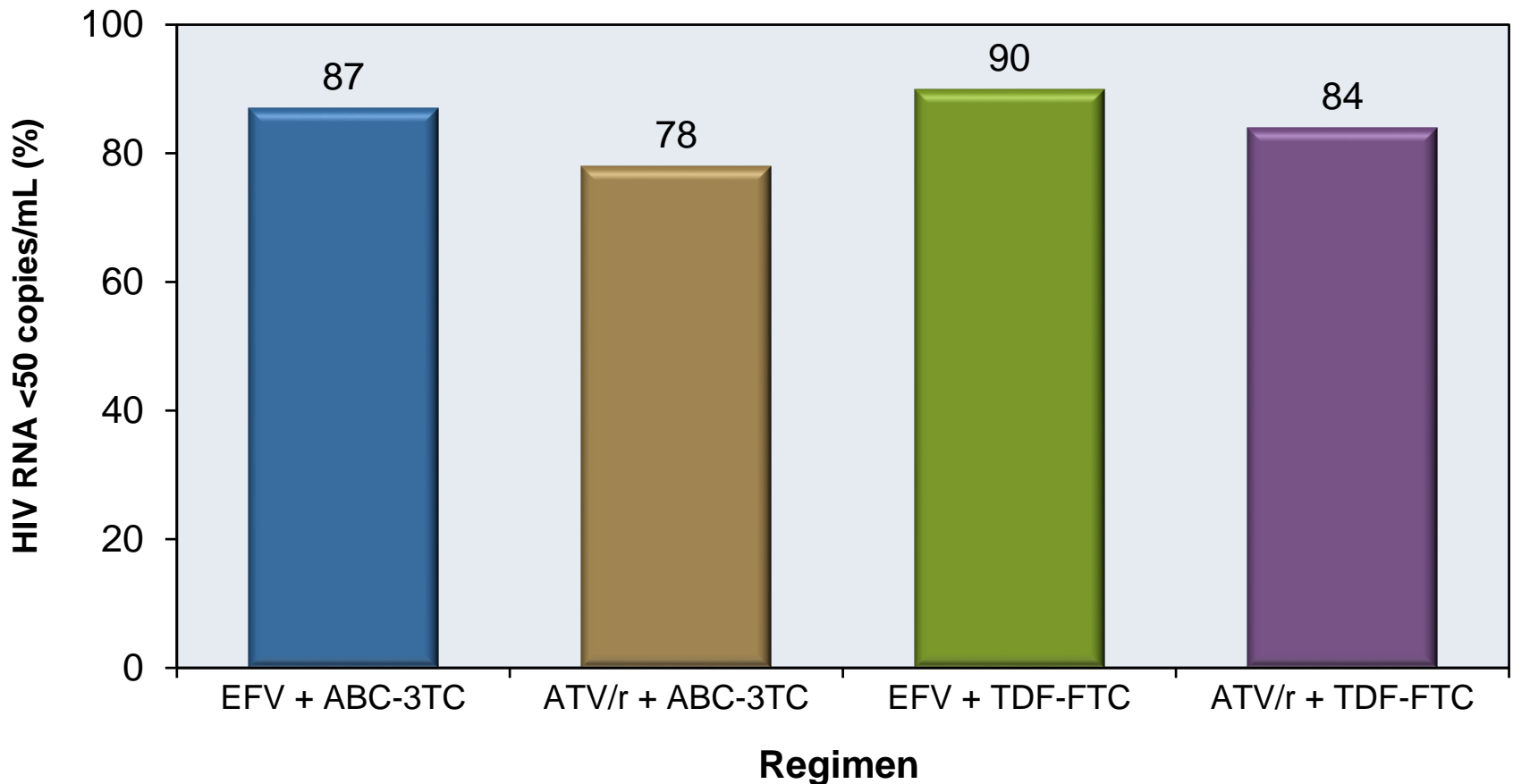
ATV + RTV + TDF-FTC

(n=465)

EFV versus ATV/r, both with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC

ACTG 5202: Results

Week 48: Virologic Response

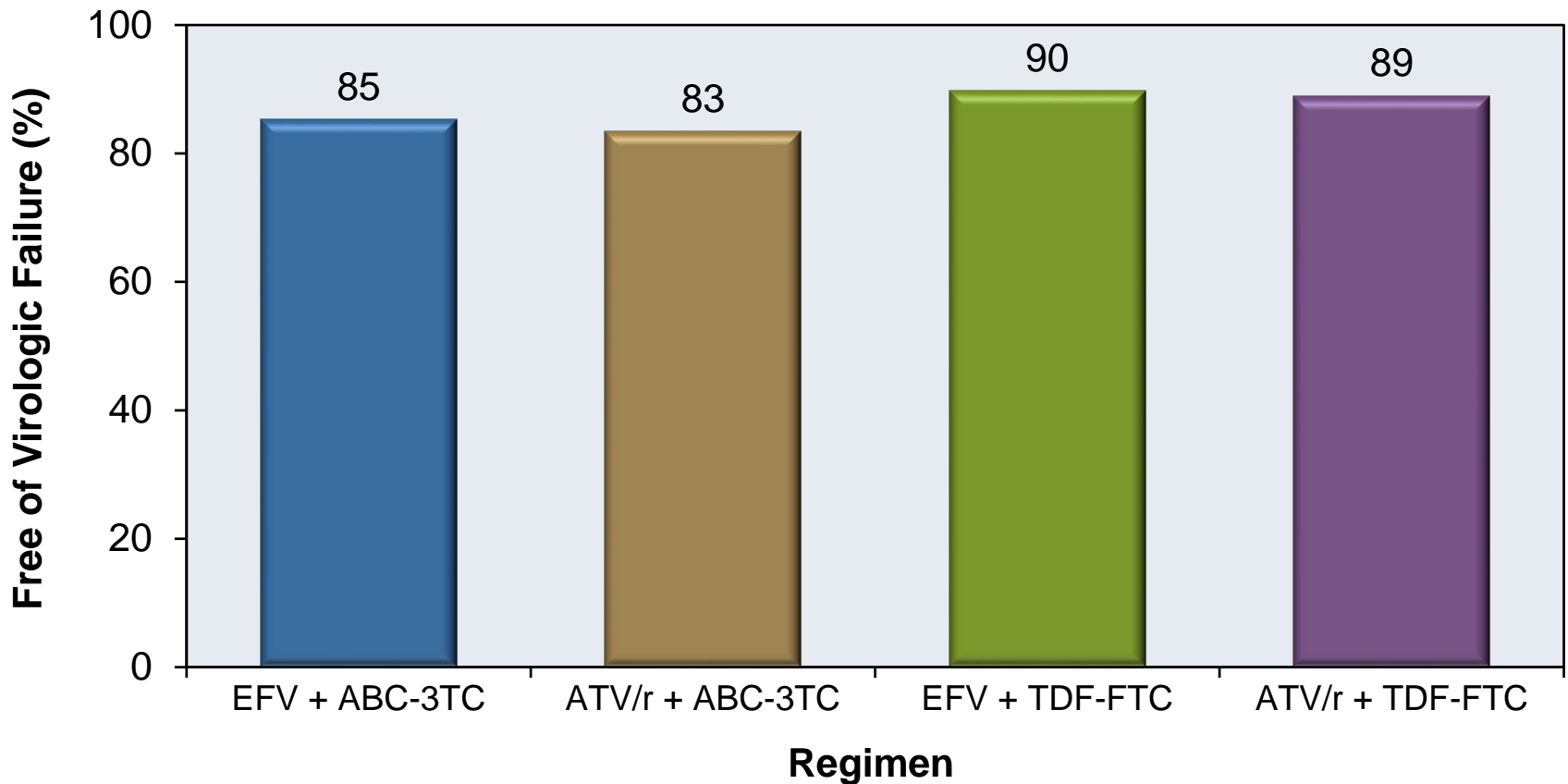


Source: Daar ES, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 2011;154:445-56.

EFV versus ATV/r, both with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC

ACTG 5202: Results

Week 96: Free of Virologic Failure



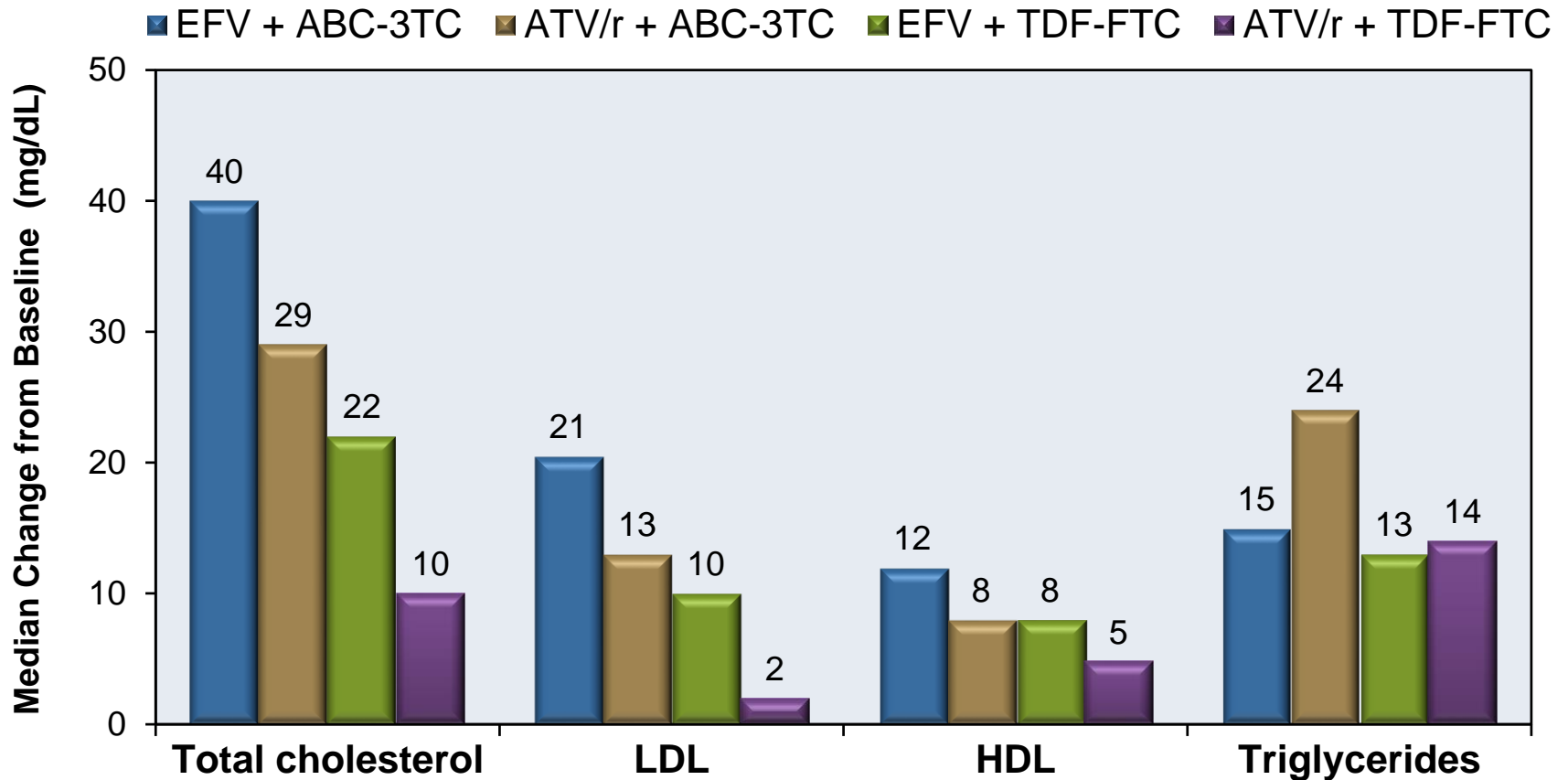
*Virologic failure = HIV RNA ≥ 1000 copies/mL between 16 and 24 weeks, or HIV RNA ≥ 200 copies/mL after 24 weeks.

Source: Daar ES, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 2011;154:445-56.

EFV versus ATV/r, both with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC

ACTG 5202: Results

Week 48: Analysis of Lipids

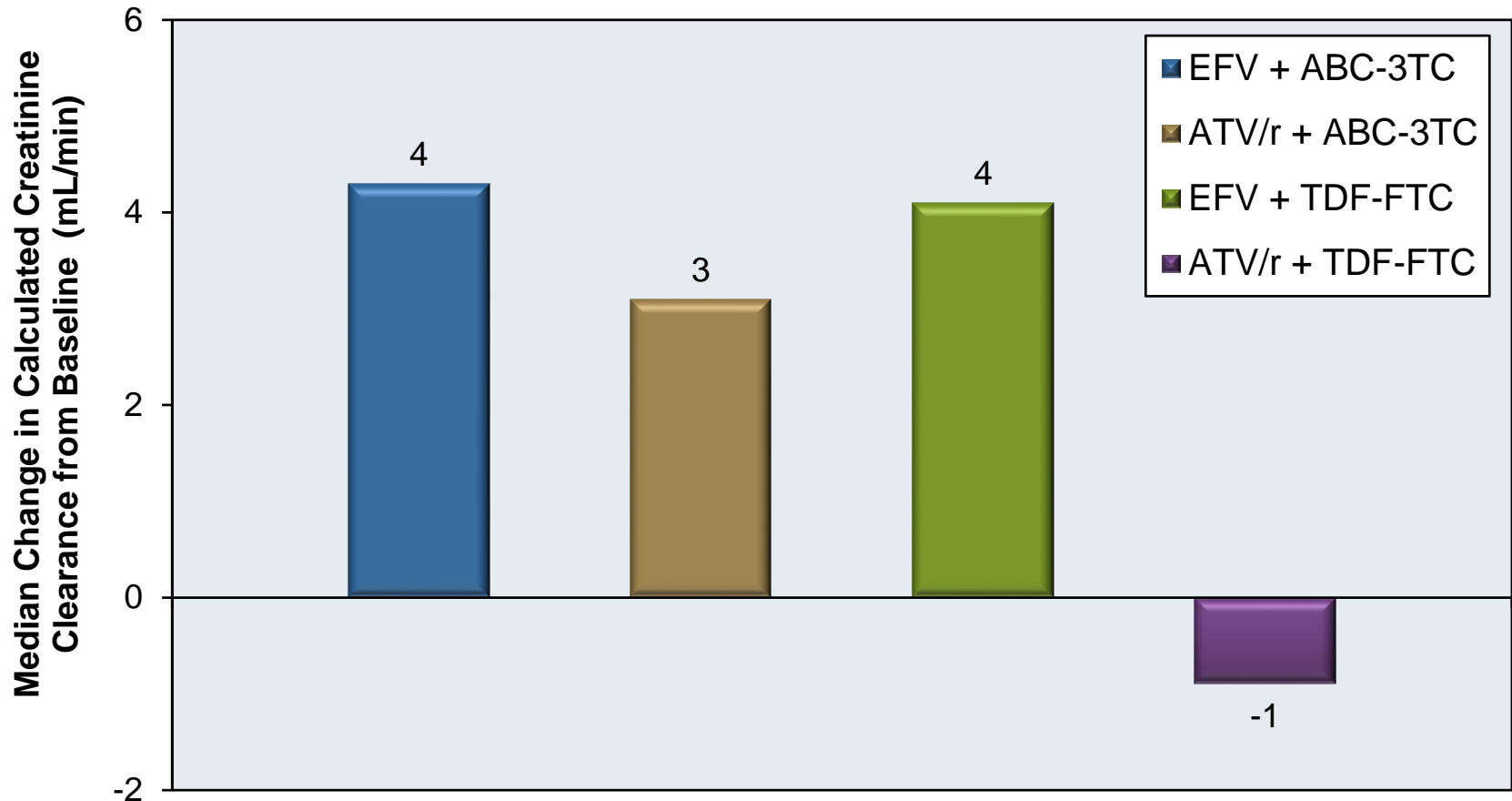


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EFV versus ATV/r, both with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC

ACTG 5202: Results

Week 48: Change in Creatinine Clearance



Source: Daar ES, et al. Ann Intern Med. 2011;154:445-56.

EFV versus ATV/r with ABC-3TC or TDF-FTC

ACTG 5202: Conclusions

Conclusion: “Atazanavir plus ritonavir and efavirenz have similar antiviral activity when used with abacavir-lamivudine or tenofovir DF-emtricitabine.”

Efavirenz 400 mg versus 600 mg, with TDF-FTC
ENCORE1 Trial

Efavirenz 400 mg versus Efavirenz 600 mg, with TDF-FTC ENCORE1: Study Design

Study Design: ENCORE1

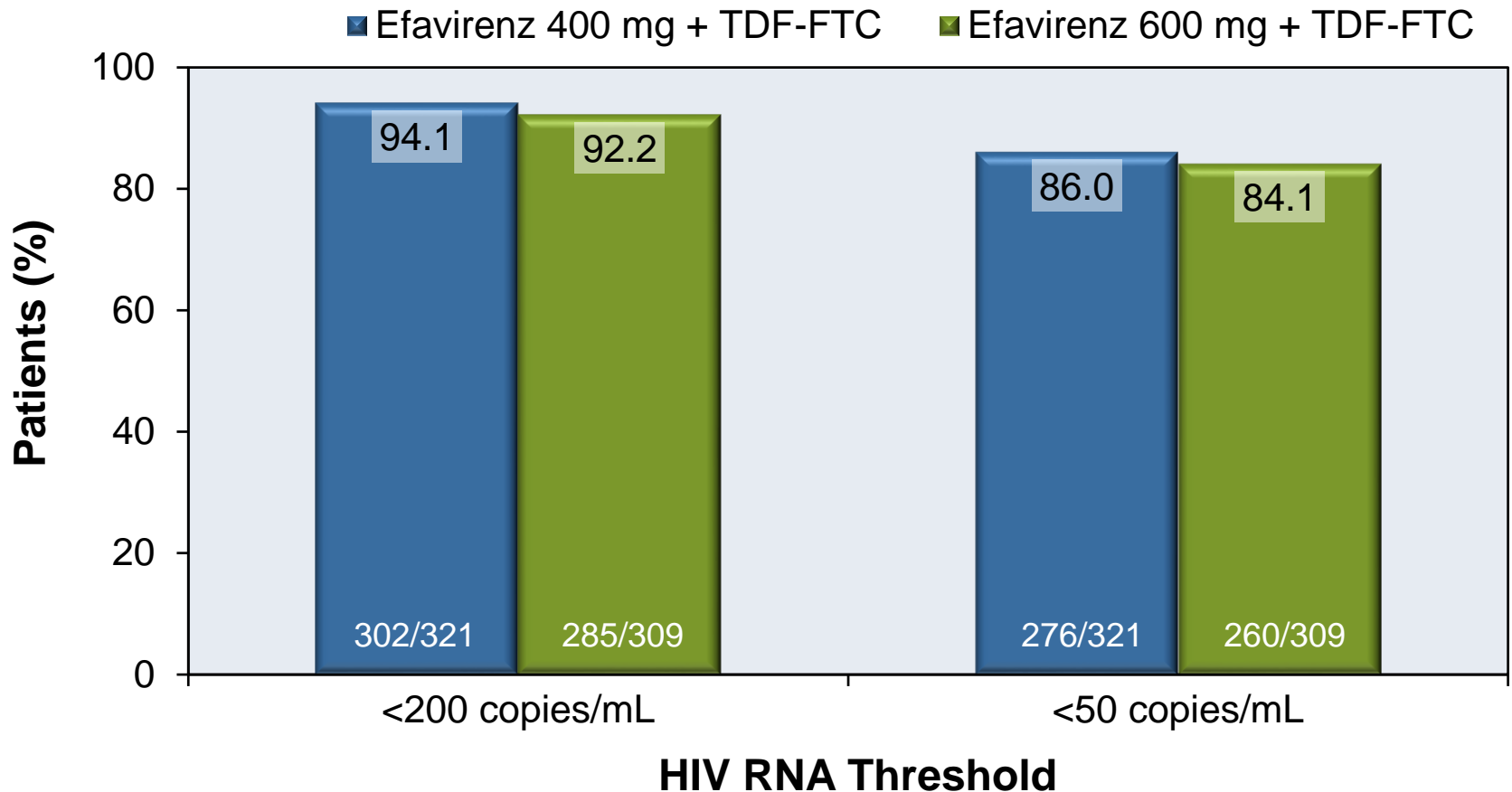
- **Background:** Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study comparing the safety and efficacy of two doses of efavirenz, in combination with co-formulated tenofovir DF and emtricitabine
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 636)**
 - Antiretroviral-naïve
 - Age ≥ 16 years
 - HIV RNA ≥ 1000 copies/mL
 - CD4 count >50 and <500 cells/mm³
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Efavirenz 400 mg QD + TDF-FTC QD
 - Efavirenz 600 mg QD + TDF-FTC QD

**Efavirenz 400 mg +
TDF-FTC QD**
(n = 321)

**Efavirenz 600 mg +
TDF-FTC QD**
(n = 309)

Efavirenz 400 mg versus Efavirenz 600 mg, with TDF-FTC ENCORE1: Results

Week 48: Virologic Response (Modified Intention-to-Treat)



Efavirenz 400 mg versus Efavirenz 600 mg, with TDF-FTC ENCORE1: Results

Overall Adverse Events		
Variable	EFV 400 mg n (%)	EFV 600 mg n (%)
Number of adverse events	1173 (49.8%)	1182 (50.2%)
Serious adverse events		
Total number of serious adverse events	31 (46.2%)	36 (53.7%)
Number with serious adverse events	23 (7.17%)	22 (7.12%)
Number with serious adverse events related to study drug	3 (0.93%)	4 (1.29%)
Adverse events probably related to study drug		
Patients with adverse events related to study drug	118 (36.8%)	146 (47.2%)
Patients stopping drug due to drug related adverse event	6 (1.9%)	18 (5.8%)

Source: ENCORE1 Study Group. Lancet. 2014;383:1474-82.

Efavirenz 400 mg versus Efavirenz 600 mg, with TDF-FTC ENCORE1: Conclusions

Interpretation: “Our findings suggest that a reduced dose of 400 mg efavirenz is non-inferior to the standard dose of 600 mg, when combined with tenofovir and emtricitabine during 48 weeks in ART-naive adults with HIV-1 infection. Adverse events related to the study drug were more frequent with 600 mg efavirenz than with 400 mg. Lower dose efavirenz should be recommended as part of routine care.”

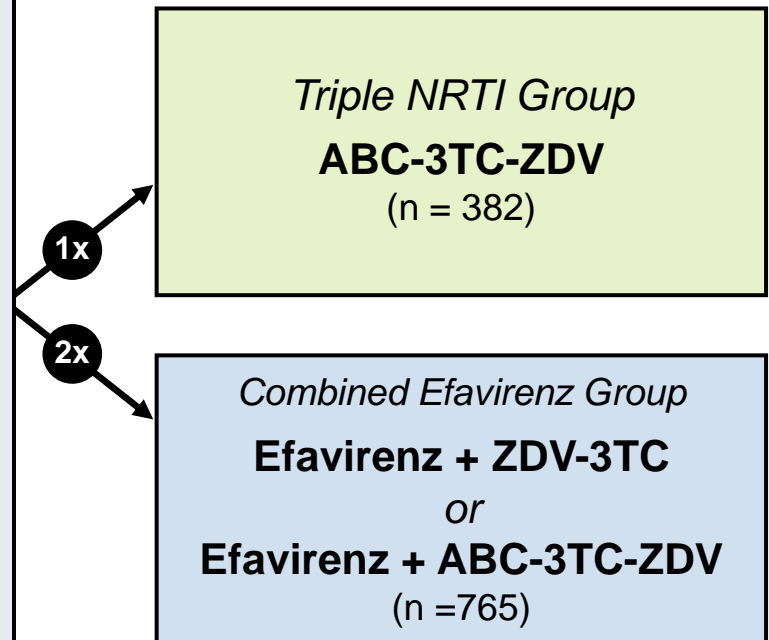
Triple NRTIs versus Efavirenz + 2-3 NRTIs
ACTG 5095 Trial

Triple NRTIs versus Efavirenz + 2-3 NRTIs

ACTG 5095: Study Design

Study Design: ACTG 5095

- **Background:** Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial comparing 3 protease inhibitor-sparing antiretroviral therapy regimens in antiretroviral-naïve patients
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 1147)**
 - Age ≥ 18 years
 - Antiretroviral-naïve
 - HIV RNA ≥ 400 copies/mL
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Triple NRTI: ABC-3TC-ZDV
 - Combined Efavirenz: ZDV-3TC + Efavirenz*
 - Combined Efavirenz: ABC-3TC-ZDV + Efavirenz*

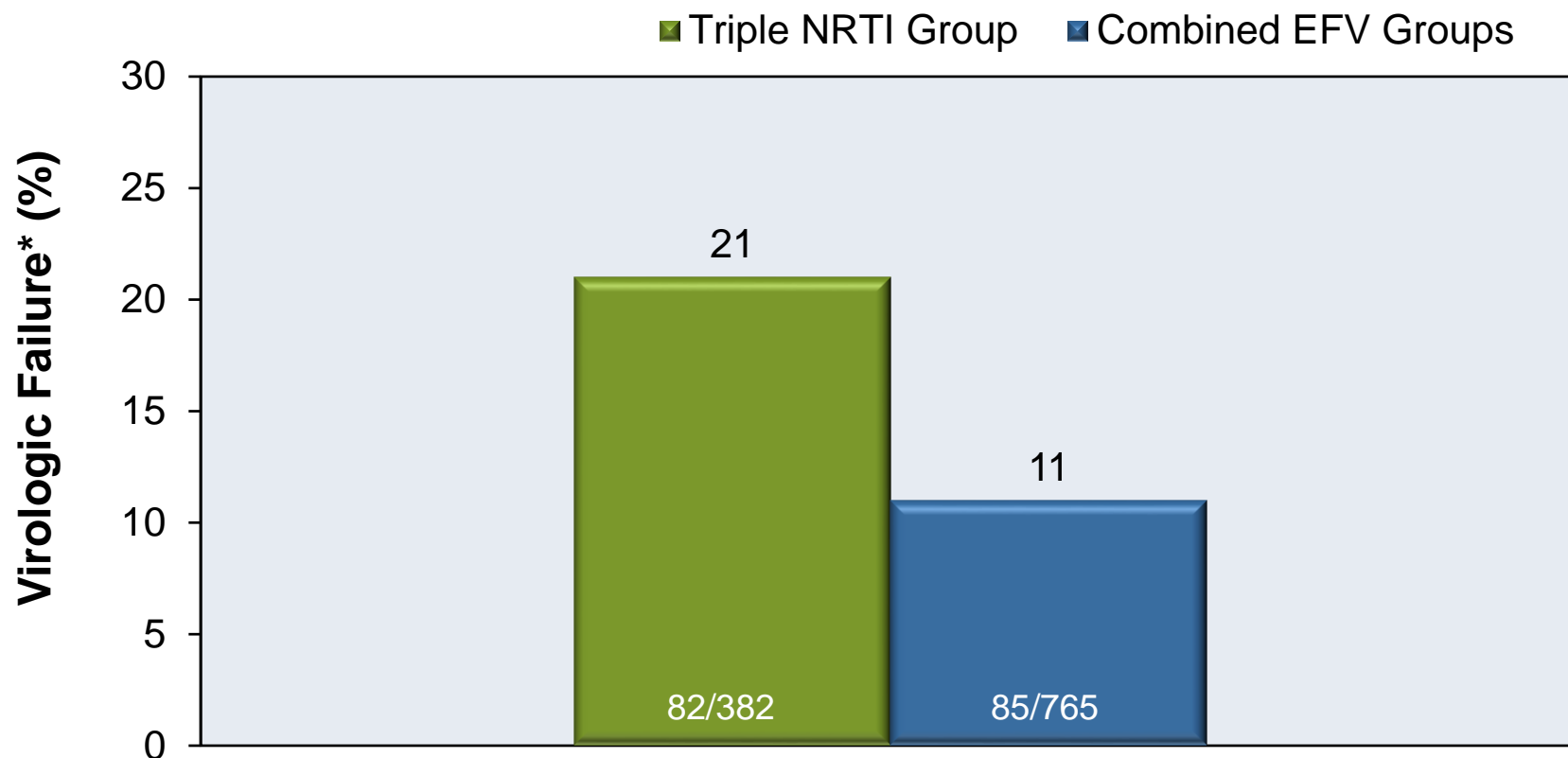


*Efavirenz arms combined for analysis

Triple NRTIs versus Efavirenz + 2-3 NRTIs

ACTG 5095: Results

Week 48: Virologic Failure



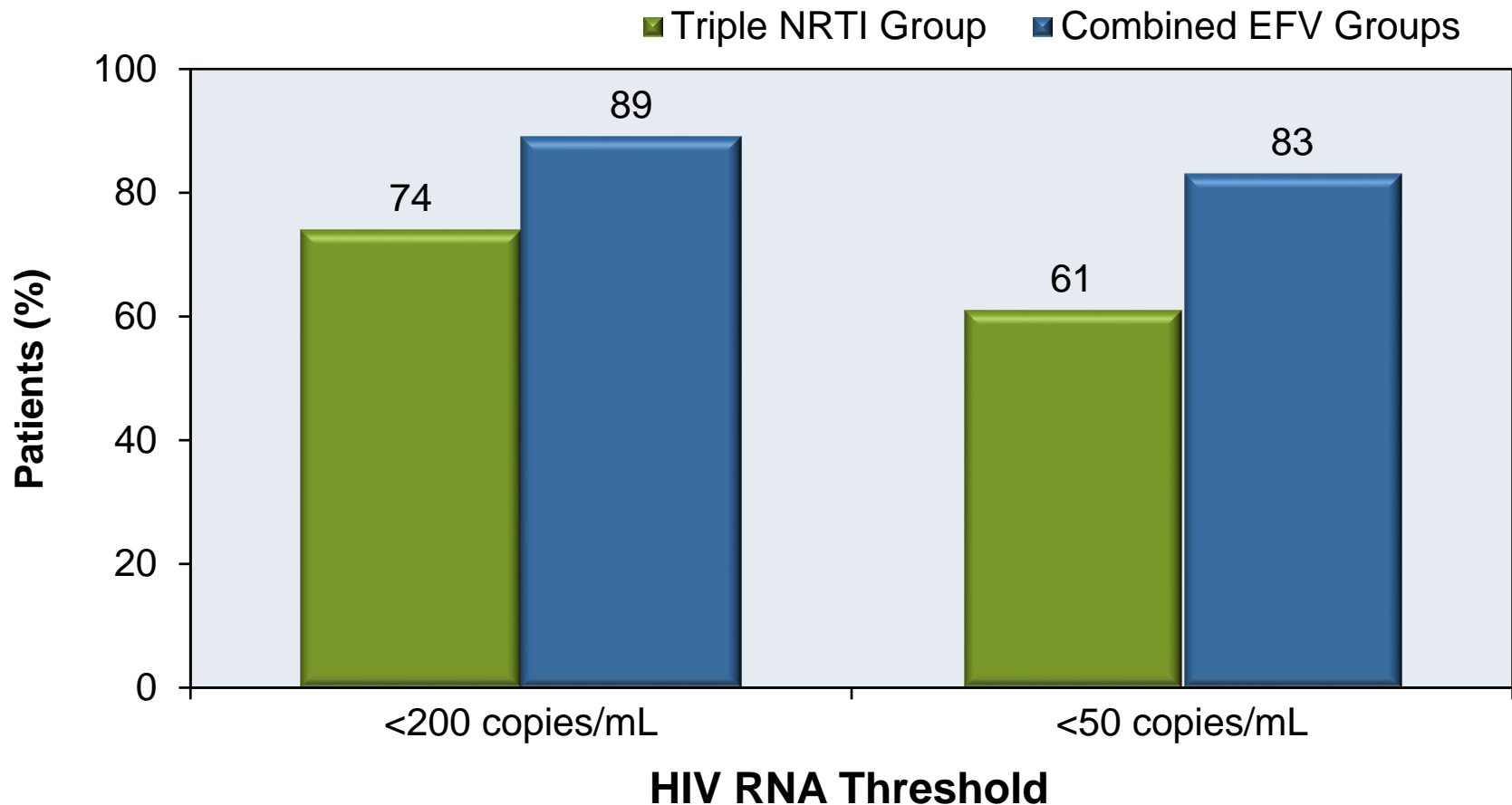
*Virologic failure = two successive HIV-1 RNA values ≥ 200 copies/mL ≥ 16 weeks after randomization

Source: Gulick RM, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2004;350:1850-61.

Triple NRTIs versus Efavirenz + 2-3 NRTIs

ACTG 5095: Results

Week 48: Virologic Response



Source: Gulick RM, et al. N Engl J Med. 2004;350:1850-61.

Triple NRTIs versus Efavirenz + 2-3 NRTIs

ACTG 5095: Conclusions

Conclusions: “In this trial of the initial treatment of HIV-1 infection, the triple-nucleoside combination of abacavir, zidovudine, and lamivudine was virologically inferior to a regimen containing efavirenz and two or three nucleosides.”

Class-Sparing Regimens for Initial Treatment of HIV
ACTG 5142

EFV + NRTIs versus LPV/r + NRTIs versus LPV/r + EFV

ACTG 5142: Study Design

Study Design: ACTG 5142

- **Background:** Randomized, phase 3 trial comparing the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of 3 different class-sparing ARV regimens in antiretroviral naïve adults and adolescents with HIV
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 753)**
 - Age ≥ 13 years
 - Antiretroviral naïve
 - HIV RNA $\geq 2,000$ copies/mL
 - No CD4 restrictions
- **Treatment Arms**
 - EFV 600 mg QD + 2 NRTIs
 - LPV/r 400/100 mg BID + 2 NRTIs
 - LPV/r 533/133 mg BID + EFV 600 mg QD

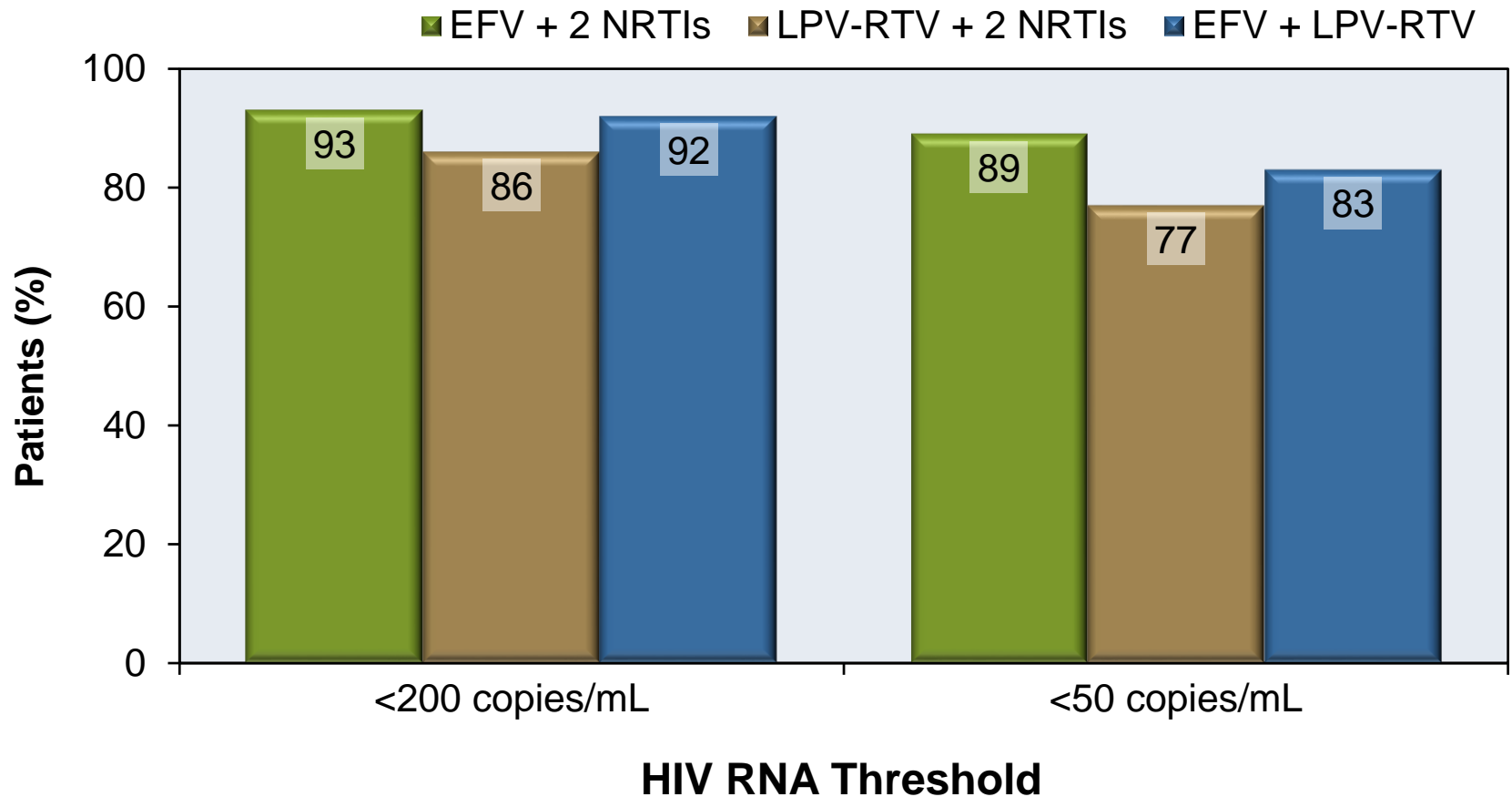
PI-Sparing Group
Efavirenz + 2 NRTIs
(n = 250)

NNRTI-Sparing Group
Lopinavir-ritonavir + 2 NRTIs
(n = 253)

NRTI-sparing Group
Lopinavir-ritonavir + Efavirenz
(n = 250)

EFV + NRTIs versus LPV/r + NRTIs versus LPV/r + EFV ACTG 5142: Results

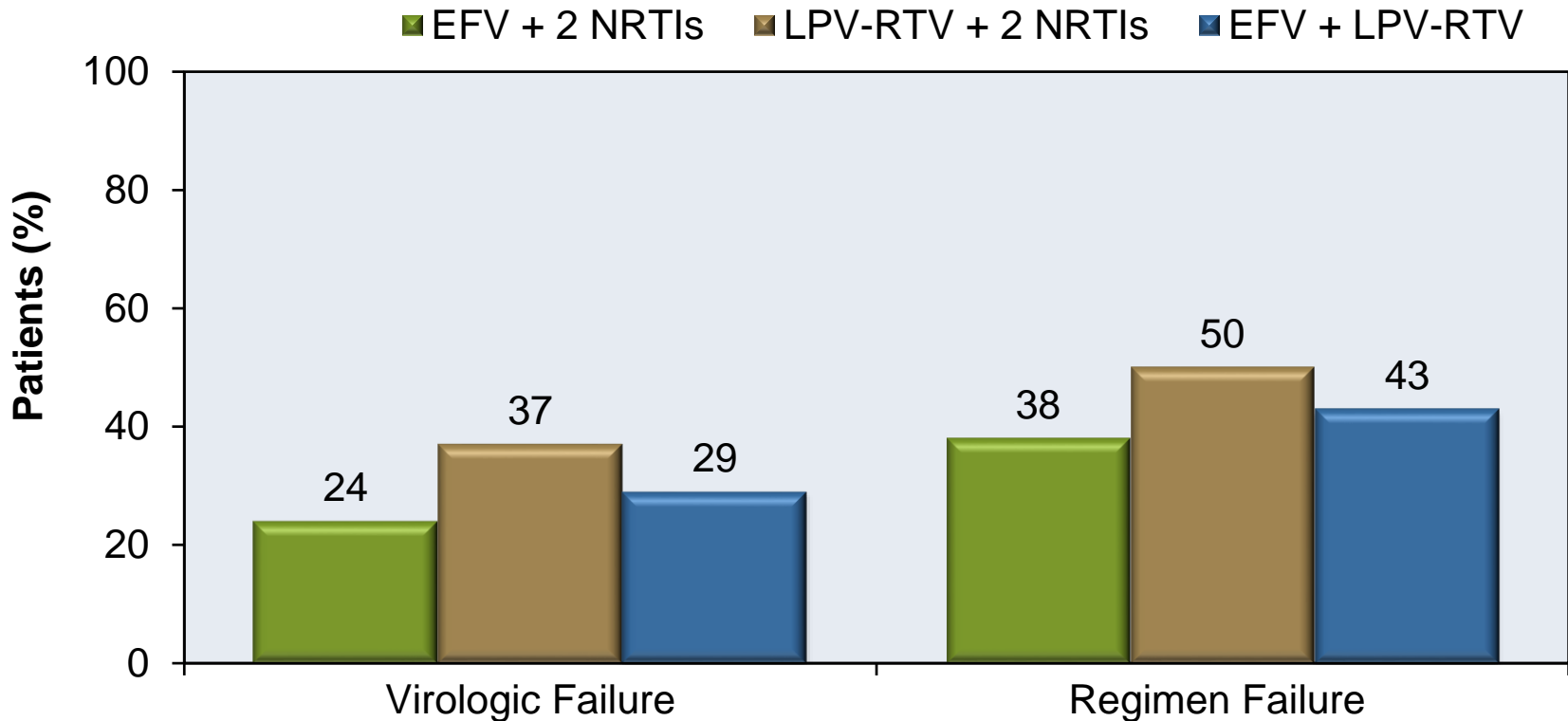
Week 96: Virologic Response



Source: Riddler SA, et al. N Engl J Med. 2008;358:2095-106.

EFV + NRTIs versus LPV/r + NRTIs versus LPV/r + EFV ACTG 5142: Results

Virologic or Regimen Failure



Virologic failure = lack of suppression of plasma HIV-1 RNA by 1 log₁₀ or rebound before week 32 or a lack of suppression to <200 copies/mL or rebound after week 32.

Regimen failure = first of either virologic failure or toxicity-related discontinuation

EFV + NRTIs versus LPV/r + NRTIs versus LPV/r + EFV ACTG 5142: Results

Summary of Resistance Mutations at Time of Virologic Failure*

Variable	EFV + 2 NRTIs (%)	LPV/r + 2NRTIs (%)	LPV/r + EFV (%)
Virologic failure events	24	37	29
Any mutation	48	21	70
NRTI-associated mutation	30	19	11
M184V	17	17	0
K65R	7	0	2
NNRTI-associated mutation	43	3	66
K103N	24	0	55
Any protease mutation	85	78	80
Major protease mutation	0	0	4
Mutation associated with 2 classes	26	1	7

*Percentages of patients with mutations were calculated for those who had an available genotype at the time of virologic failure.

Source: Riddler SA, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2008;358:2095-106.

EFV + NRTIs versus LPV/r + NRTIs versus LPV/r + EFV ACTG 5142: Conclusions

Conclusions: “Virologic failure was less likely in the efavirenz group than in the lopinavir-ritonavir group. The virologic efficacy of the NRTI-sparing regimen was similar to that of the efavirenz regimen but was more likely to be associated with drug resistance.”

EFV + TDF + FTC versus EFV + ZDV-3TC
Study 934

Efavirenz + TDF + FTC + versus Efavirenz + ZDV-3TC

Study 934: Study Design

Study Design: STUDY 934

- **Background:** Randomized, open label phase 3 study comparing efavirenz plus either tenofovir DF and emtricitabine or fixed-dose zidovudine-lamivudine
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 509)**
 - Antiretroviral-naïve adults
 - Age ≥ 18 years
 - HIV RNA $\geq 10,000$ copies/mL
 - CD4 > 50 cells/mm³
 - No AIDS conditions in prior 30 days
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Efavirenz + tenofovir DF + emtricitabine
 - Efavirenz + zidovudine-lamivudine

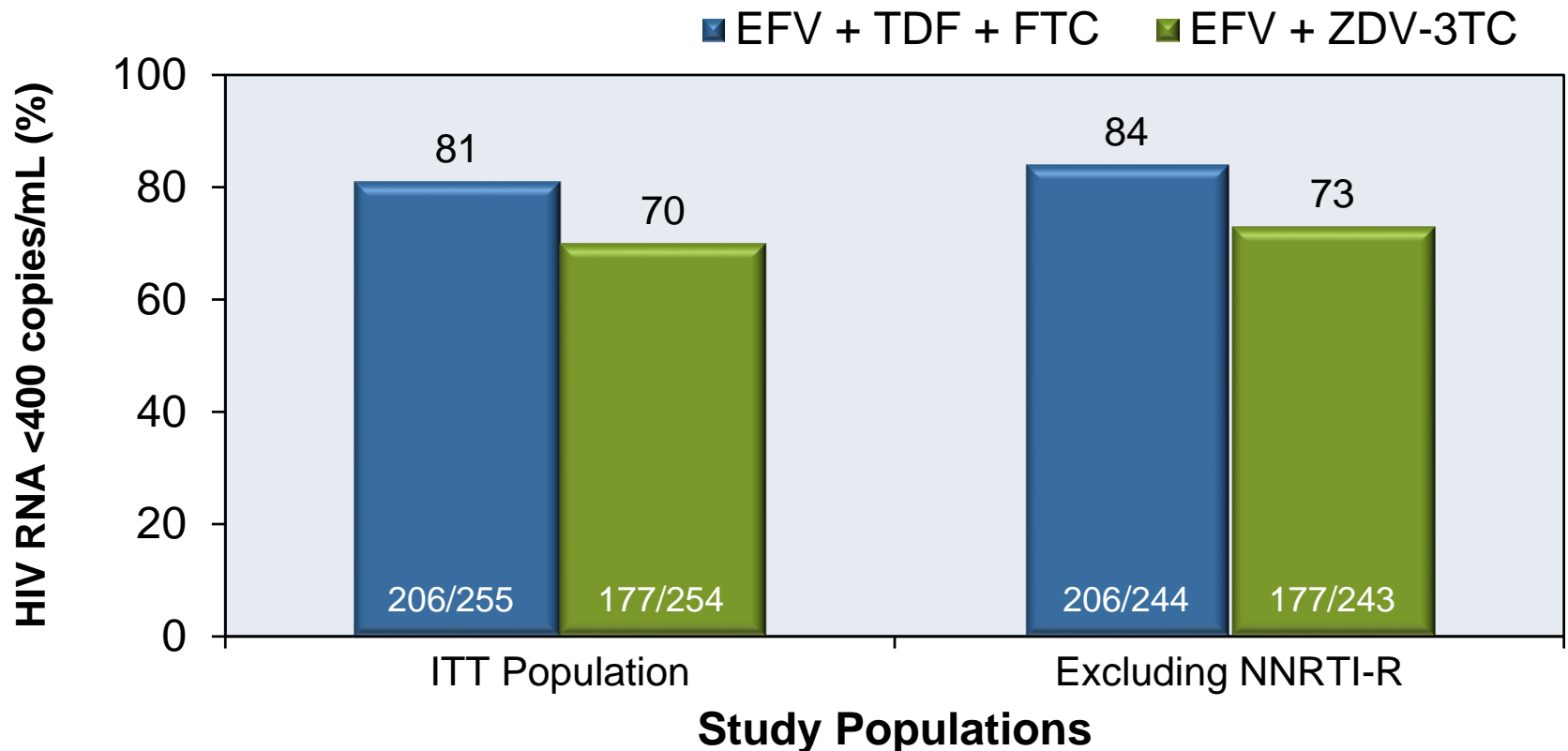
EFV QD + TDF + FTC QD
(n = 255)

EFV QD + ZDV-3TC BID
(n = 254)

Efavirenz + TDF + FTC + versus Efavirenz + ZDV-3TC

Study 934: Result

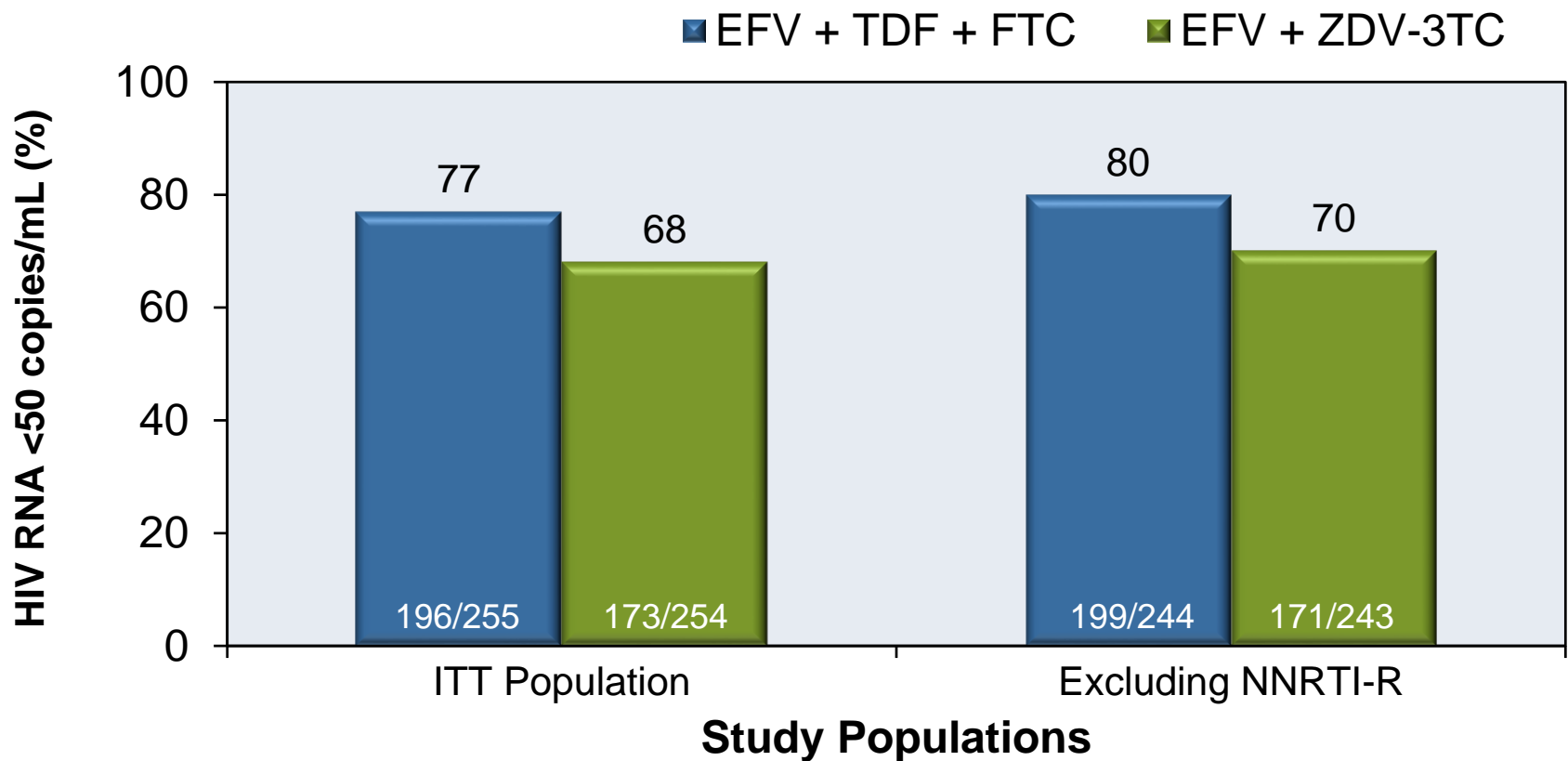
Week 48: Virologic Response (< 400 copies/mL)



ITT = Intention-to-Treat; NNRTI-R = Patients with baseline NNRTI mutations.

Efavirenz + TDF + FTC + versus Efavirenz + ZDV-3TC Study 934: Result

Week 48: Virologic Response (<50 copies/mL)

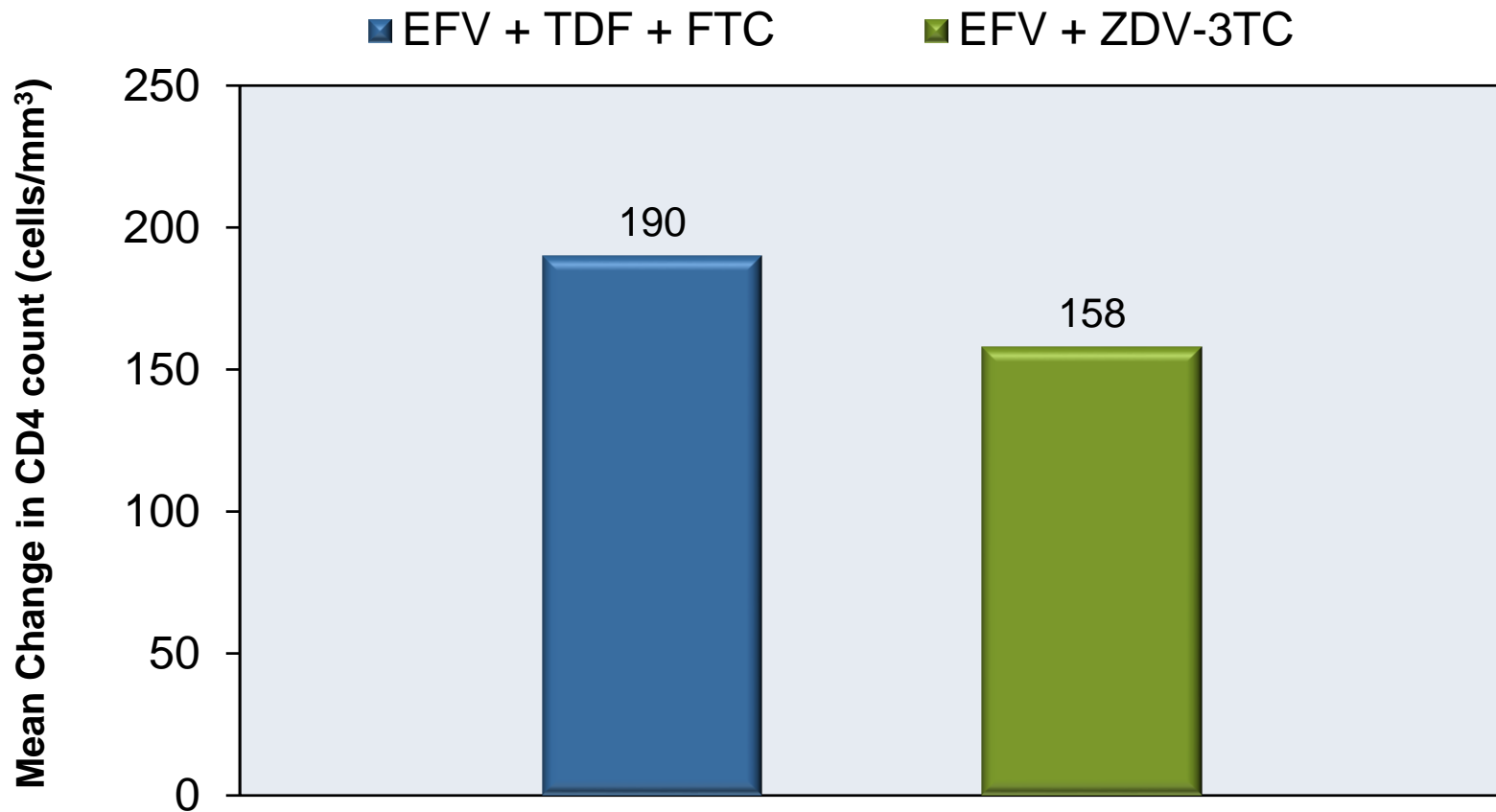


ITT = Intention-to-Treat; NNRTI-R = Patients with baseline NNRTI mutations.

Source: Gallant JE, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2006;354:251-60.

Efavirenz + TDF + FTC + versus Efavirenz + ZDV-3TC Study 934: Result

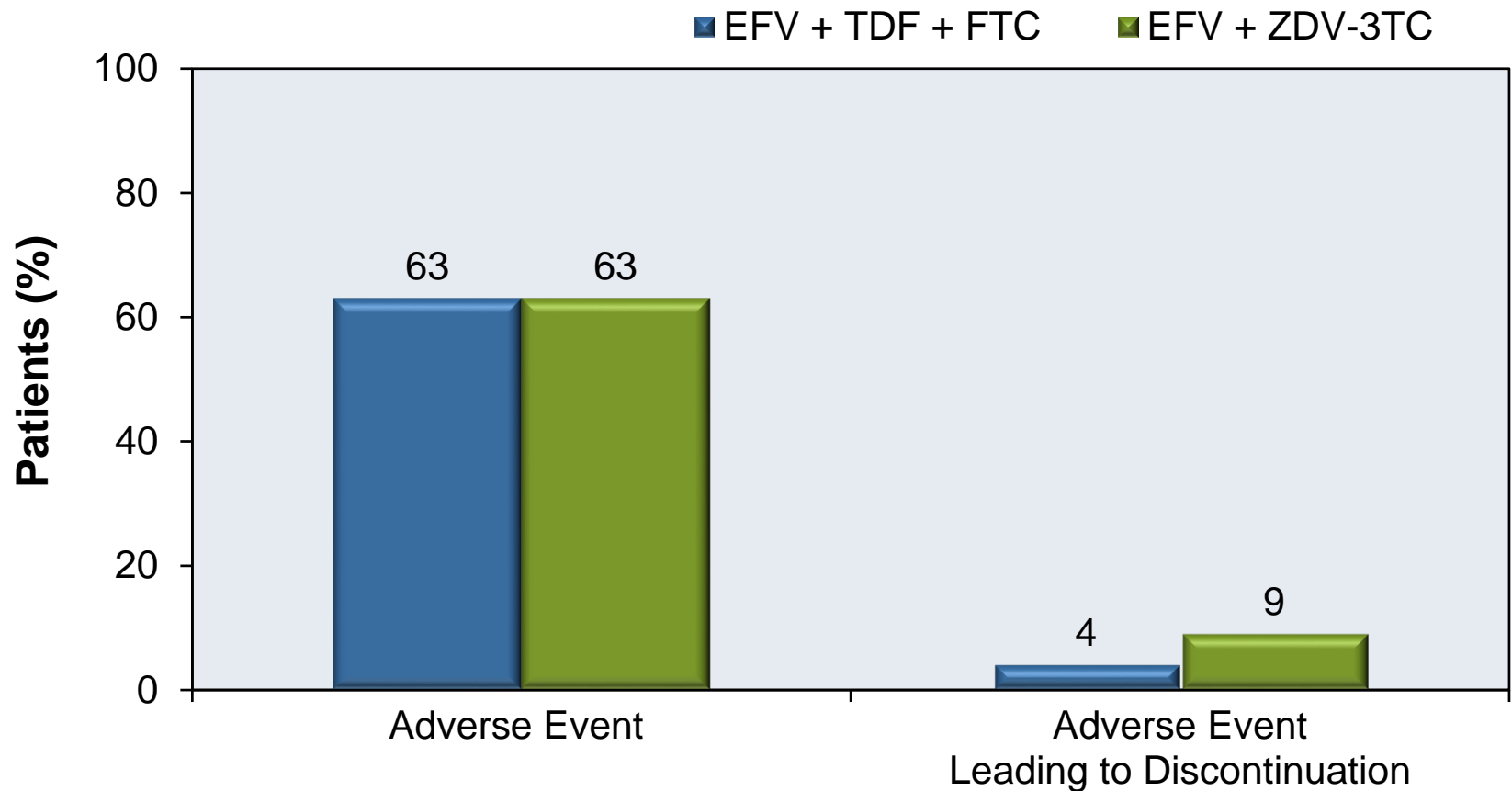
Week 48: Immunologic Response



Source: Gallant JE, et al. N Engl J Med. 2006;354:251-60.

Efavirenz + TDF + FTC + versus Efavirenz + ZDV-3TC Study 934: Result

Adverse Events through 48 Weeks



Source: Gallant JE, et al. N Engl J Med. 2006;354:251-60.

Efavirenz + TDF + FTC + versus Efavirenz + ZDV-3TC

Study 934: Common Adverse Events

Treatment Emergent Adverse Events in $\geq 5\%$ of Subjects in Either Arm		
	EFV + TDF + FTC (n = 257)	EFV + ZVD-3TC (n= 254)
Dizziness	8%	7%
Nausea	8%	6%
Diarrhea	7%	4%
Fatigue	7%	6%
Depression	4%	7%
Headache	5%	4%
Rash	5%	4%
Insomnia	4%	5%
Anemia	<1%	5%

Source: Gallant JE, et al. N Engl J Med. 2006;354:251-60

TDF+ FTC + Efavirenz versus ZDV-3TC+ Efavirenz Study 934: Conclusions

Interpretation: “Through week 48, the combination of tenofovir DF and emtricitabine plus efavirenz fulfilled the criteria for noninferiority to a fixed dose of zidovudine and lamivudine plus efavirenz and proved superior in terms of virologic suppression, CD4 response, and adverse events resulting in discontinuation of the study drugs.”

Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC versus Efavirenz + TDF-FTC
ECHO Trial

Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC versus Efavirenz + TDF-FTC

ECHO: Study Design

Study Design: ECHO Study

- **Background:** Randomized, double-blind, phase 3 trial comparing rilpivirine and efavirenz in combination with a fixed background regimen consisting of tenofovir DF-emtricitabine in treatment-naïve adults with HIV
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 690)**
 - Antiretroviral-naïve adults
 - Age ≥18 years
 - HIV RNA ≥5000 copies/mL
 - No resistance to any study drugs
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Rilpivirine + Tenofovir DF-Emtricitabine
 - Efavirenz + Tenofovir DF-Emtricitabine

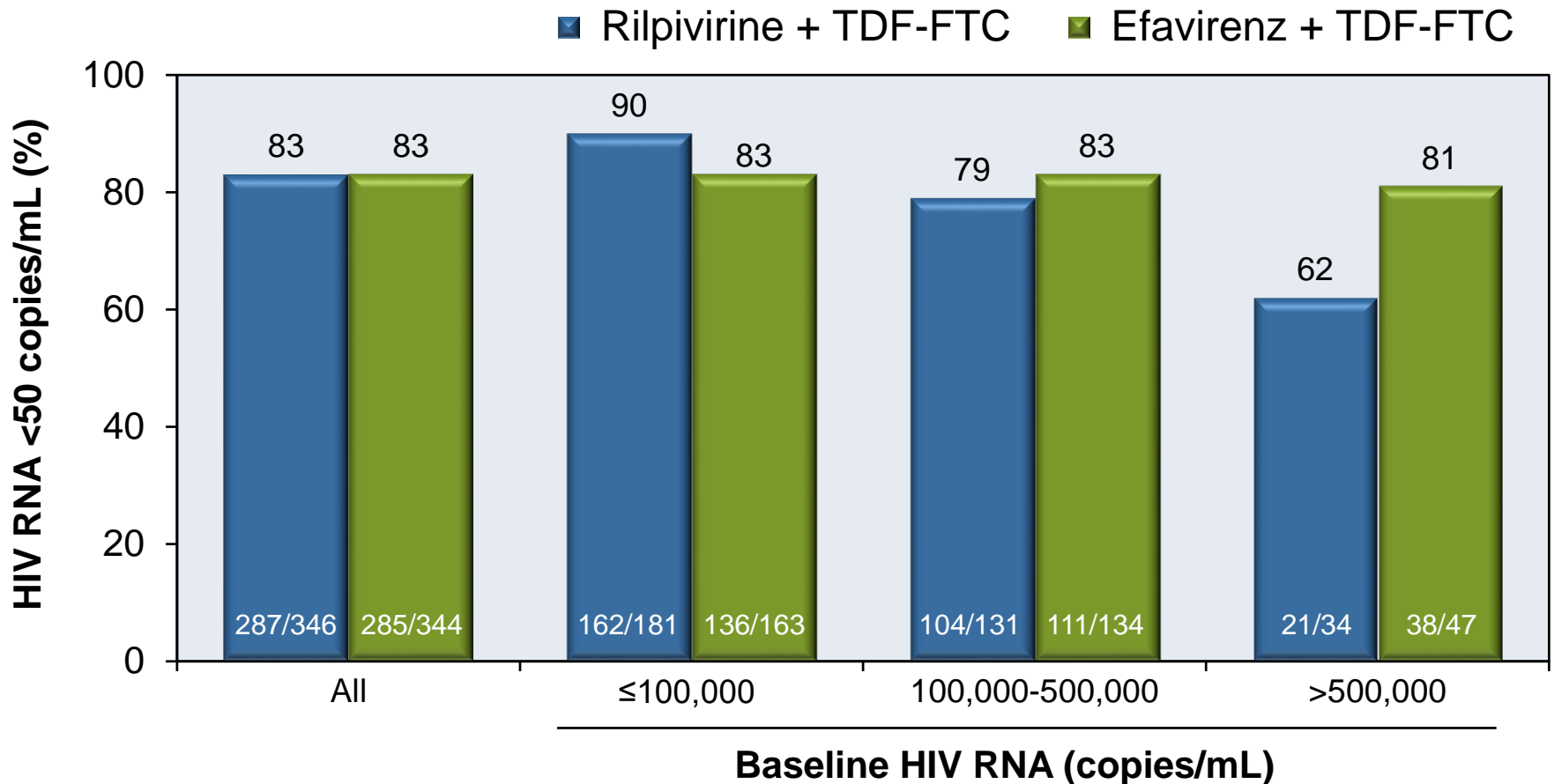
Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC QD
(n = 346)

Efavirenz + TDF-FTC QD
(n = 344)

Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC versus Efavirenz + TDF-FTC

ECHO: Result

48 Week Virologic Response (ITT-TLOVR)

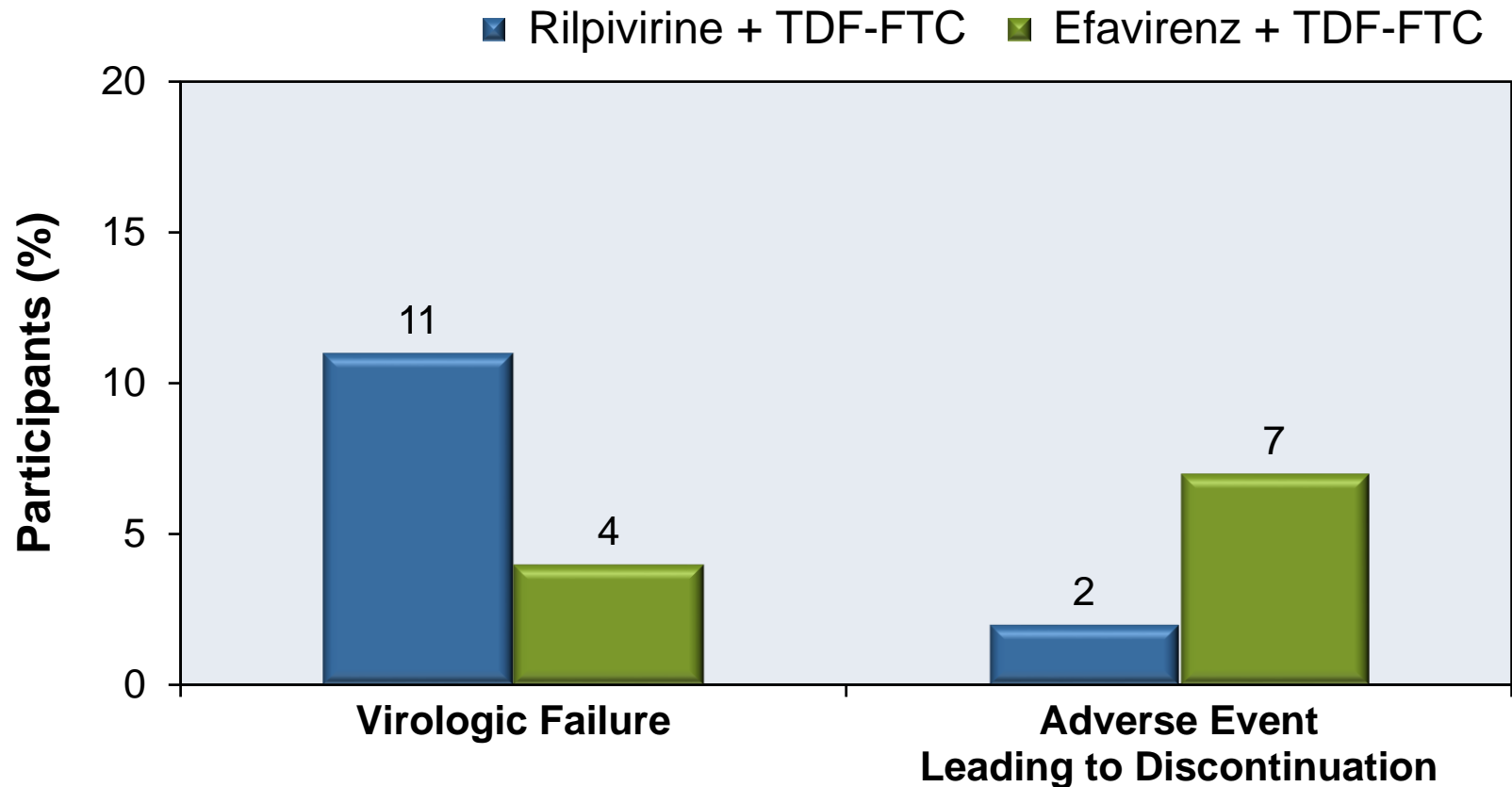


Source: Molina J-M, et al. Lancet. 2011;378:238-46.

Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC versus Efavirenz + TDF-FTC

ECHO: Result

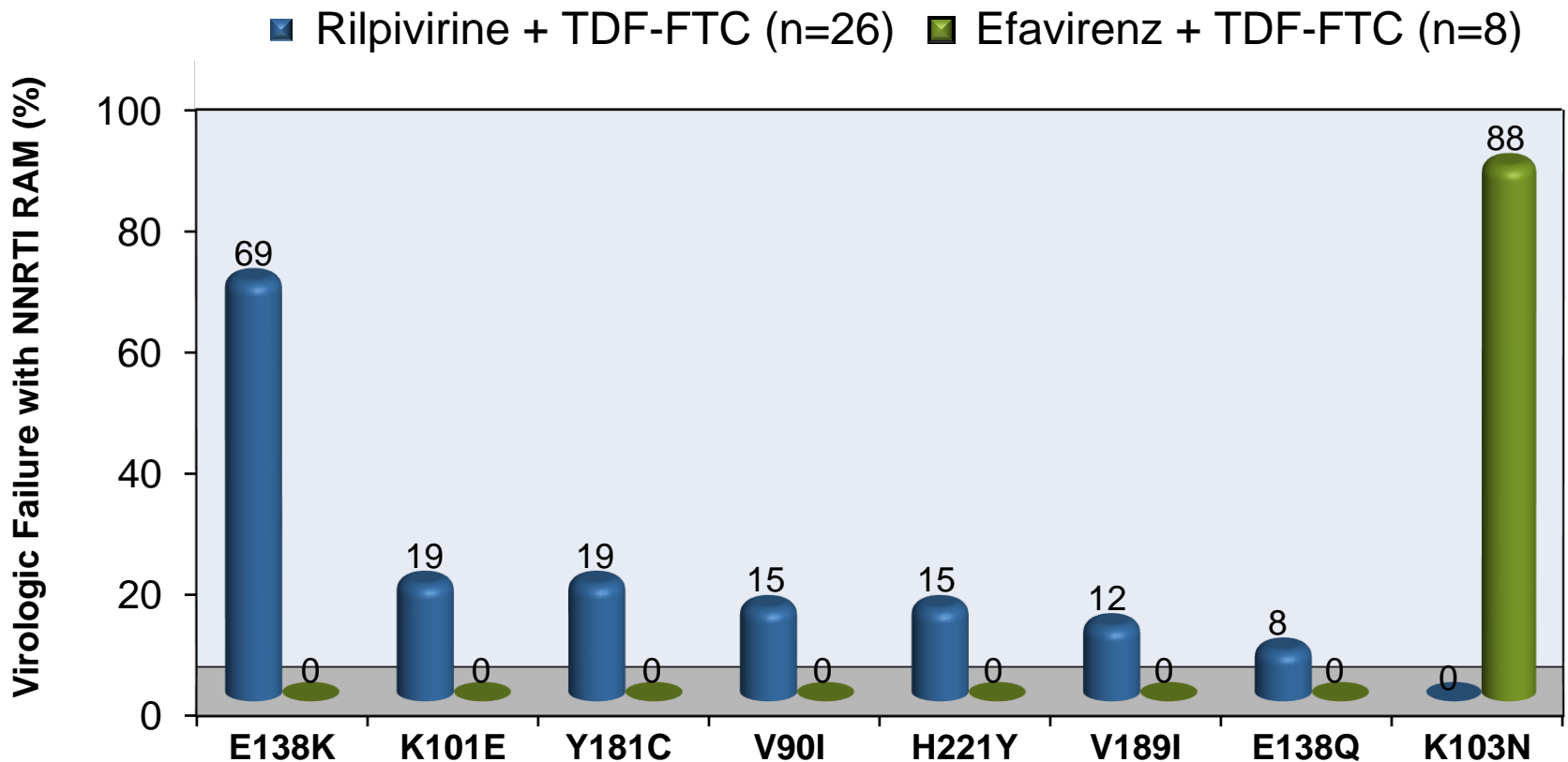
48 Week Virologic Failure and Discontinuations (ITT-TLOVR)



Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC versus Efavirenz + TDF-FTC

ECHO: Resistance Results

Incidence of NNRTI Resistance Associated Mutations (RAMs)



Rilpivirine + TDF-FTC versus Efavirenz + TDF-FTC

ECHO: Conclusions

Interpretation: “Rilpivirine showed non-inferior efficacy compared with efavirenz, with a higher virological-failure rate, but a more favourable safety and tolerability profile.”

Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with 2 NRTIs
THRIVE Study

Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with 2 NRTIs

THRIVE: Study Design

Study Design: THRIVE

- **Background:** Randomized, double-blind, phase 3 trial comparing rilpivirine and efavirenz in combination with two nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors in treatment-naïve adults with HIV
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 680)**
 - Antiretroviral-naïve
 - Age ≥18 years
 - HIV RNA ≥5000 copies/mL
 - No resistance to any study drugs
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Rilpivirine + 2 NRTIs*
 - Efavirenz + 2 NRTIs*

Rilpivirine + 2 NRTIs
(n = 340)

Efavirenz + 2 NRTIs
(n = 338)

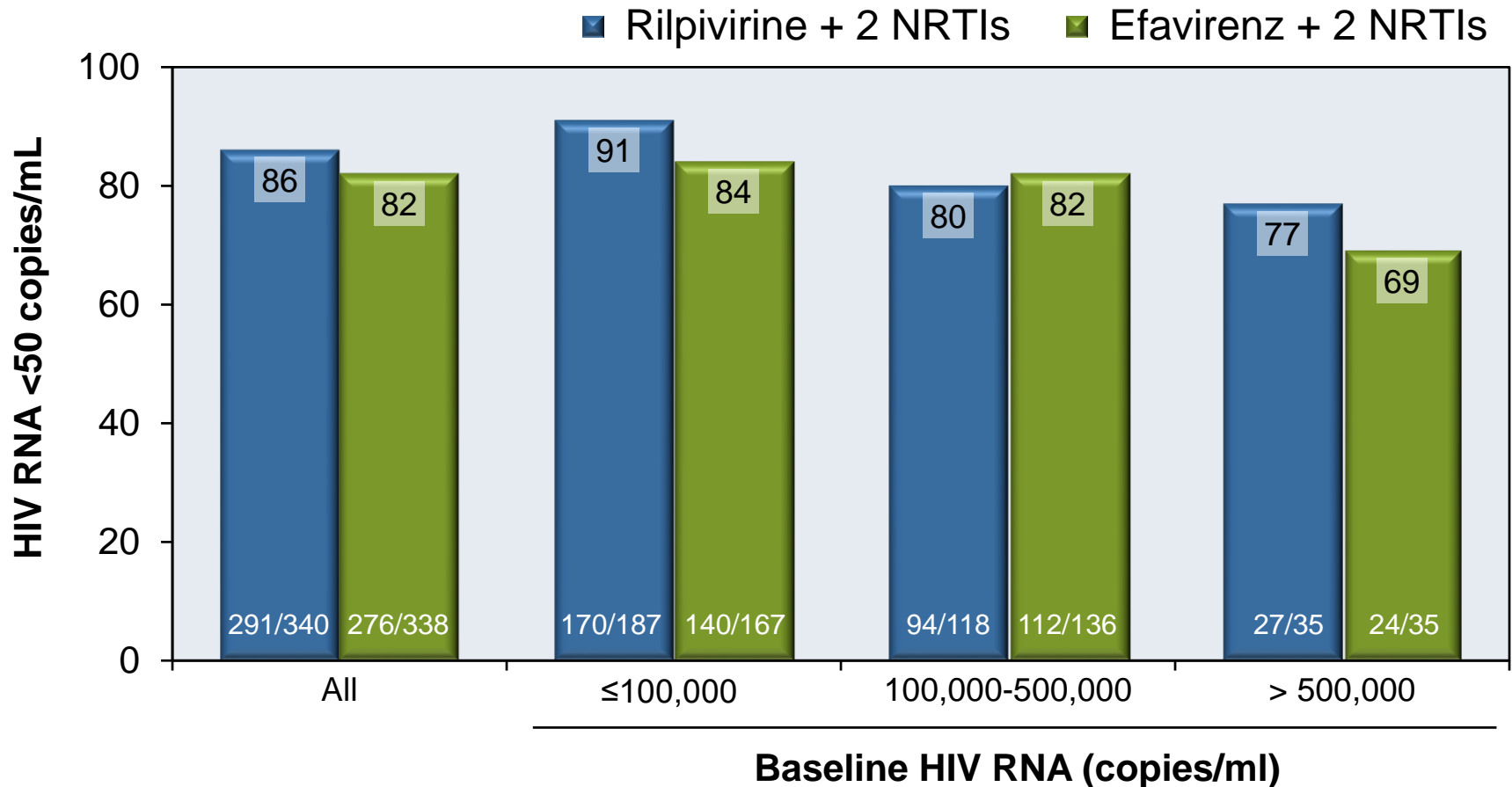
*Investigator-selected 2 NRTIs:

Tenofovir DF plus emtricitabine; zidovudine plus lamivudine; or abacavir plus lamivudine

Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with two background NRTIs

THRIVE: Result

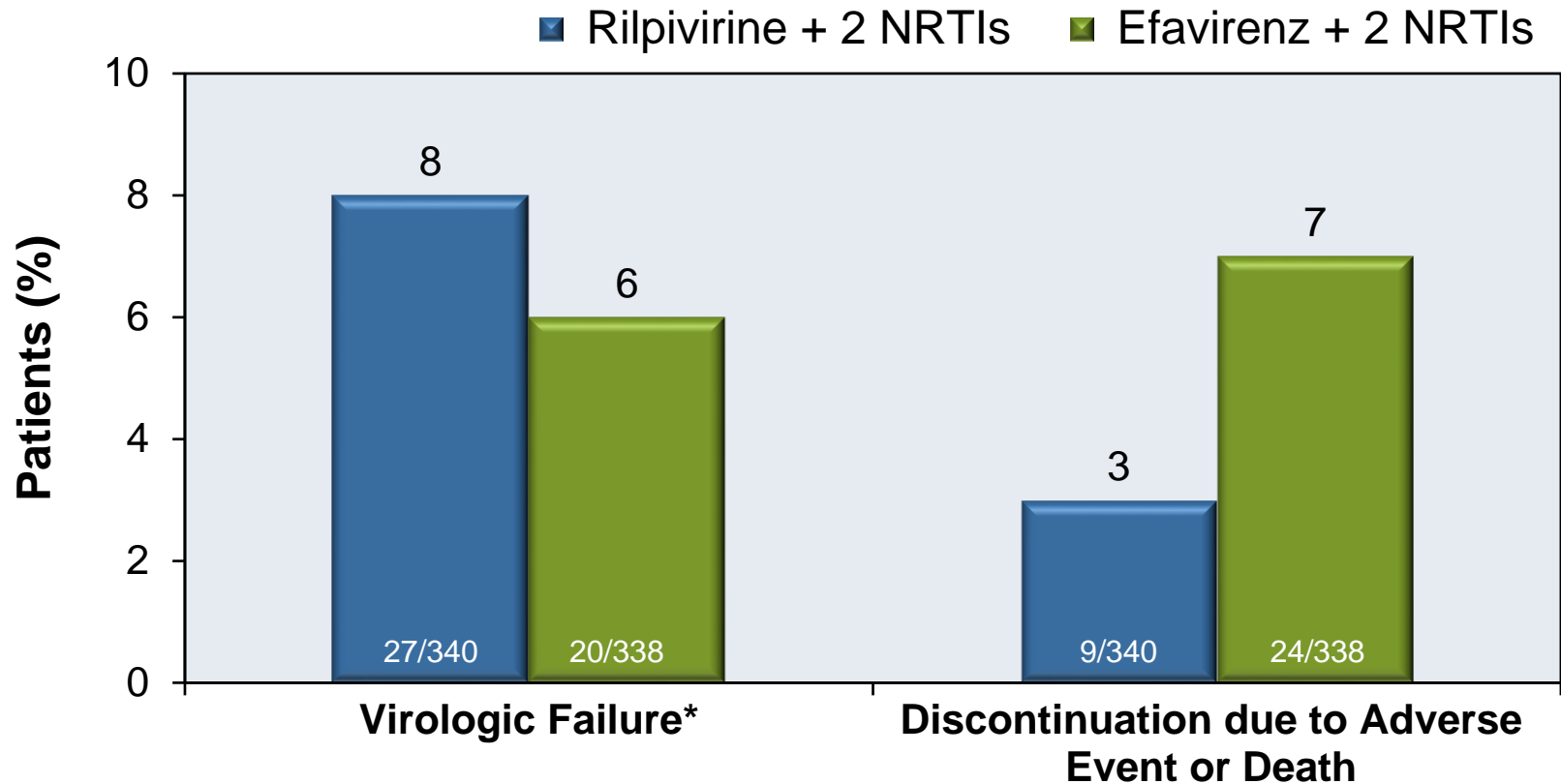
48 Week Virologic Response (ITT-TLOVR)



Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with two background NRTIs

THRIVE: Result

48 Week Virologic Failure and Discontinuations

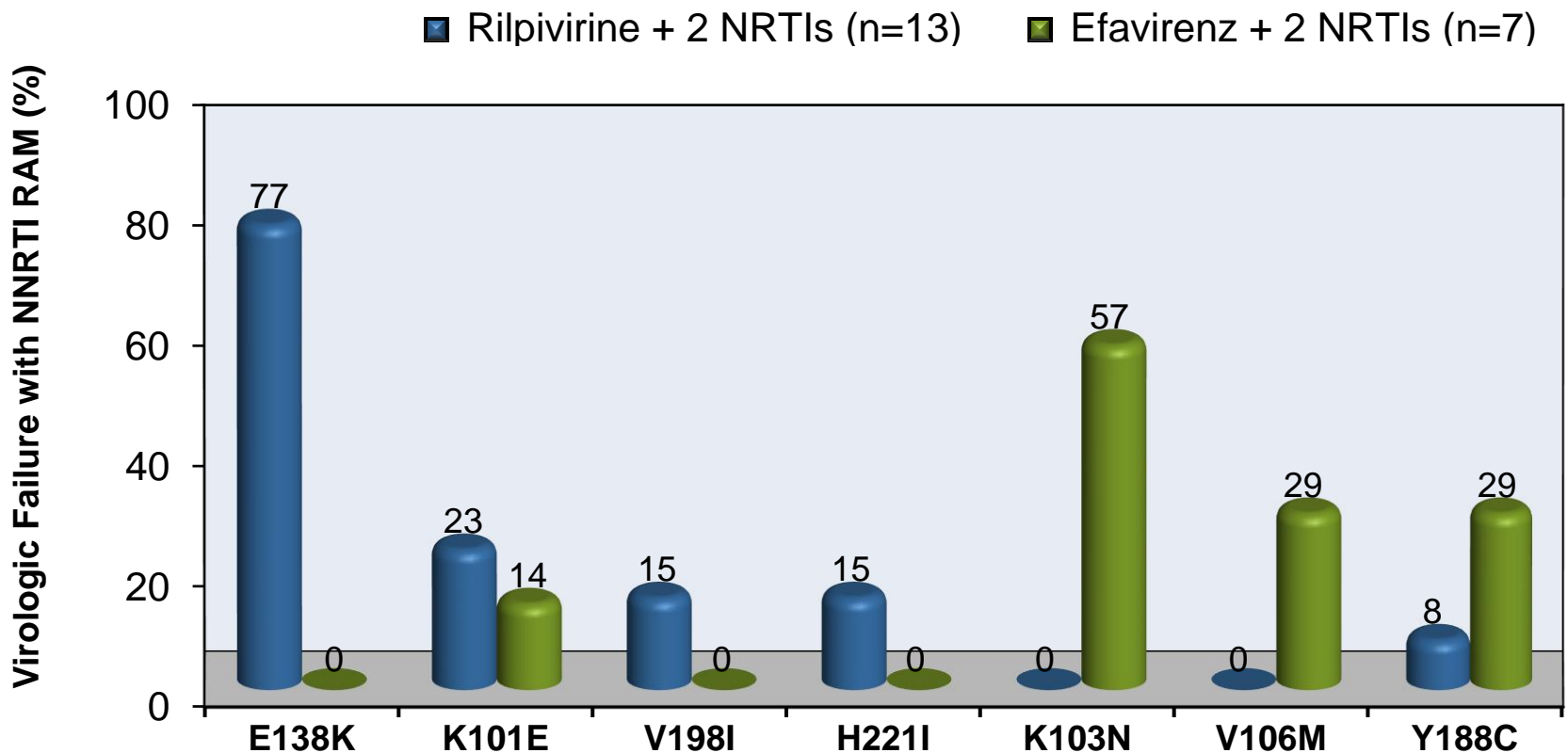


*Virologic failure includes those without emerging mutation at failure

Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with two background NRTIs

THRIVE: Resistance Results

Incidence of NNRTI Resistance Associated Mutations (RAMs)



Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with two background NRTIs

THRIVE: Result

Resistance Associated Mutations (RAMs)		
	Rilpivirine (n = 340)	Efavirenz (n = 338)
Virologic Failure with Resistance Data	27 (8%)	20 (6%)
Emergent NNRTI RAMs	59%	47%
Most Frequent NNRTI RAMs	E138K	K103N
Emergent NRTI RAMs	64%	33%
Most Frequent NRTI RAMs	M184I/V	M184V

Rilpivirine versus Efavirenz, with two background NRTIs

THRIVE: Conclusions

Interpretation: “Despite a slightly increased incidence of virological failures, a favourable safety profile and non-inferior efficacy compared with efavirenz means that rilpivirine could be a new treatment option for treatment-naive patients infected with HIV-1.”

Efavirenz versus Lopinavir-Ritonavir, with ABC-3TC
LAKE Trial

Efavirenz versus Lopinavir-Ritonavir, with ABC-3TC

LAKE: Study Design

Study Design: LAKE

- **Background:** Randomized study to compare the long-term efficacy and safety of efavirenz and lopinavir-ritonavir, each in combination with co-formulated abacavir-lamivudine, in antiretroviral-naïve adults with HIV
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 126)**
 - Age ≥18 years
 - Antiretroviral-naïve
 - No recent opportunistic infection
 - No CD4 count or HIV RNA restrictions
 - HLA*B5701 testing not available at time of study
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Efavirenz 600 mg QD + ABC-3TC QD
 - Lopinavir-RTV 400/100 mg BID + ABC-3TC QD

Efavirenz + ABC-3TC

(n = 321)

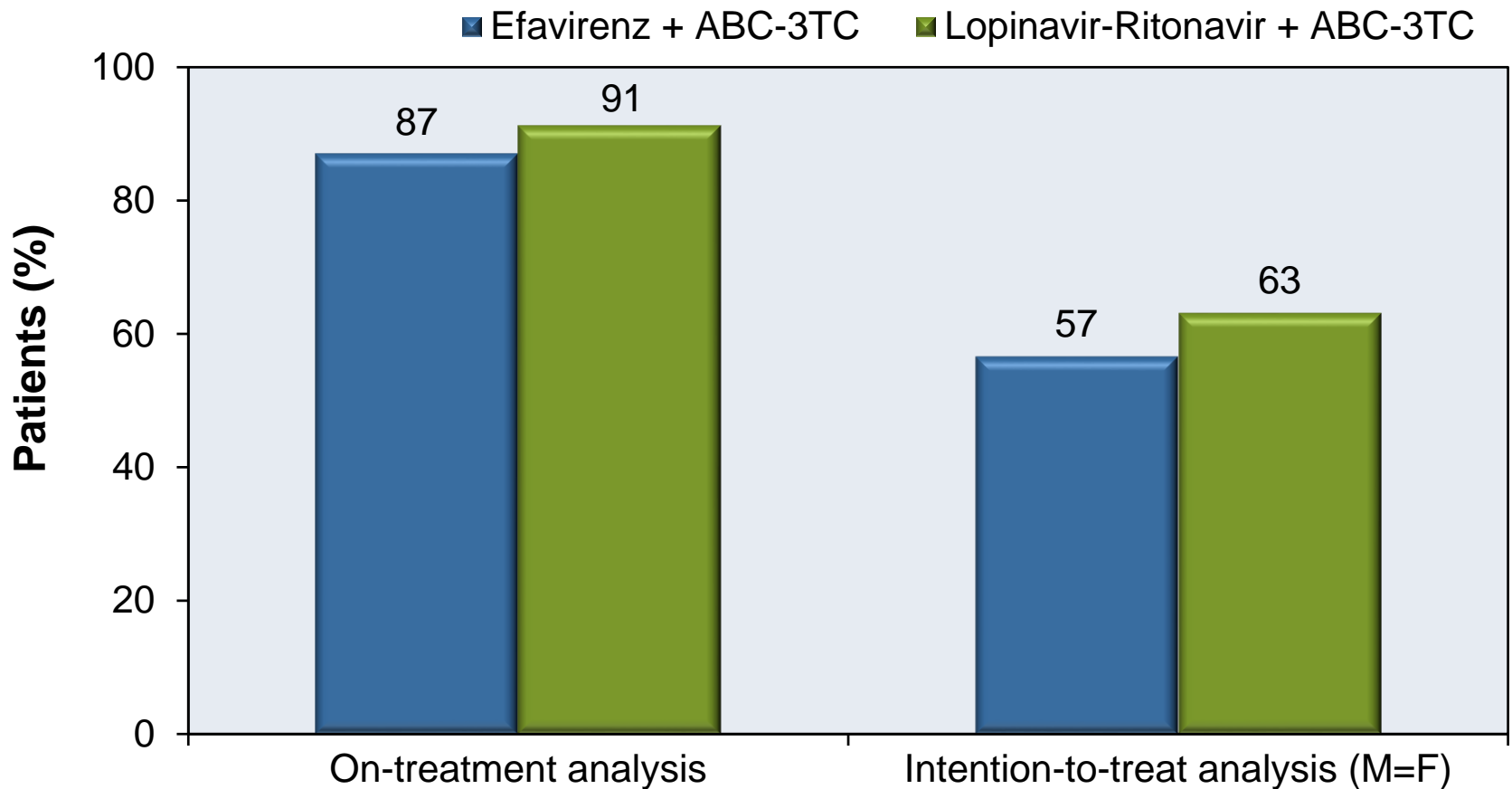
Lopinavir/r + ABC-3TC

(n = 309)

Efavirenz versus Lopinavir-Ritonavir, with ABC-3TC

LAKE: Results

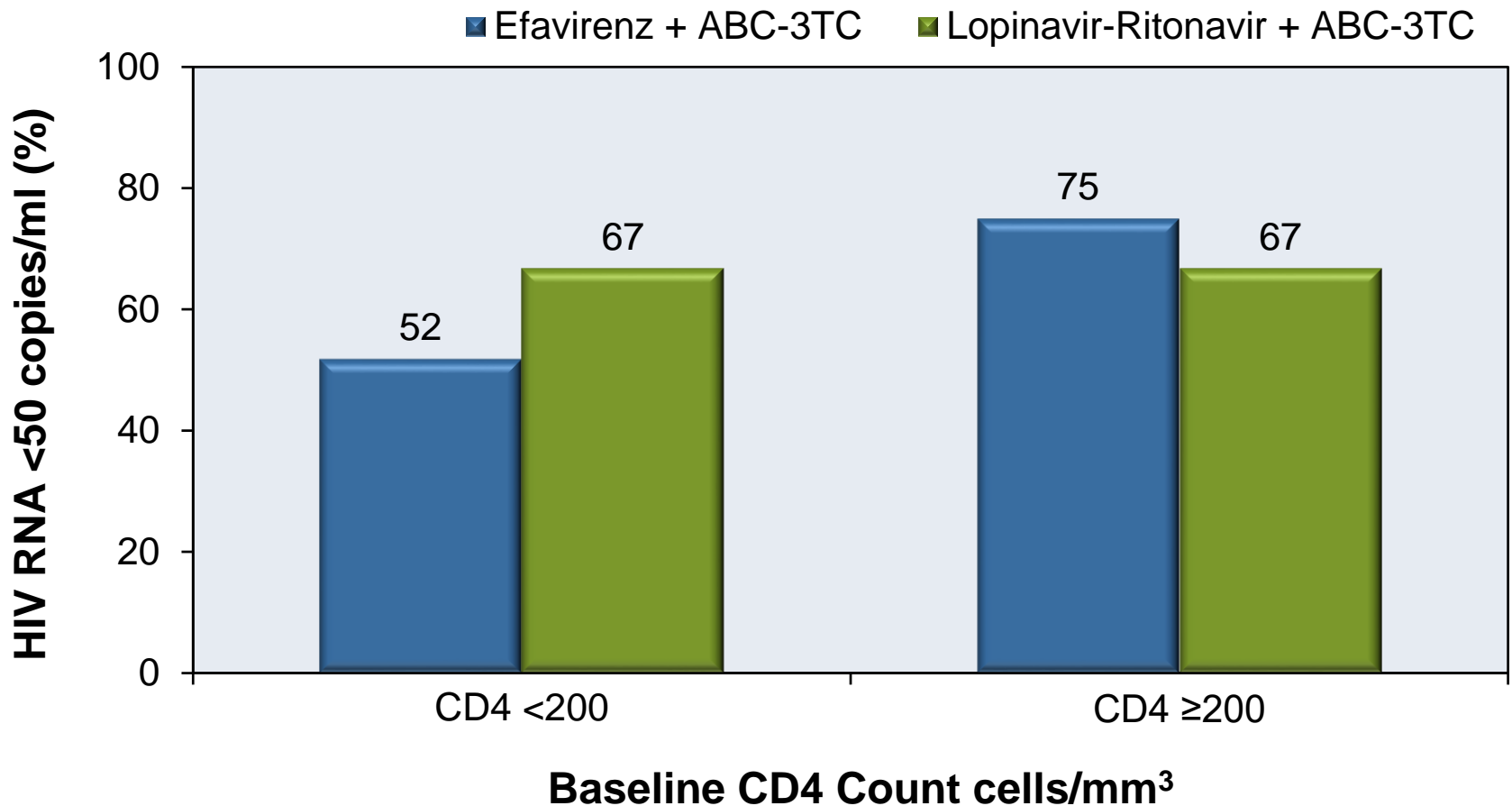
Week 48: Virologic Response



Efavirenz versus Lopinavir-Ritonavir, with ABC-3TC

LAKE: Results

Week 48: Virologic Response, by Baseline CD4 count (OT analysis)



Efavirenz versus Lopinavir/r, with ABC-3TC

LAKE: Conclusions

Conclusions: “Similar virological efficacy was observed for efavirenz and lopinavir/r, when administered with abacavir-lamivudine in antiretroviral-naïve patients, while immunological improvement was slightly superior for efavirenz. The higher rate of discontinuation due to toxicity in the efavirenz group was related to a higher incidence of hypersensitivity reaction. Nowadays, the use of the new formulation of lopinavir/r and the HLA-B*5701 genotype test before starting abacavir should improve the safety profiles of these regimens.”

Fosamprenavir + ritonavir versus Efavirenz, with ABC-3TC
SUPPORT Trial

FPV/r versus EFV, both with ABC-3TC

SUPPORT: Study Design

Study Design: SUPPORT

- **Background:** Randomized, open-label pilot study comparing ritonavir-boosted fosamprenavir versus efavirenz, both in combination with abacavir-lamivudine, in minority adults with HIV
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 101)**
 - Age ≥ 18 years
 - Antiretroviral-naïve
 - HIV RNA > 5000 copies/mL
 - HLA-B*5701 negative
 - Minority race or ethnicity
- **Treatment Arms** (all medications once daily)
 - Fosamprenavir 1400 mg + Ritonavir 100 mg + Abacavir-lamivudine 600-300 mg
 - Efavirenz 600 mg + ABC-3TC 600-300 mg

**Fosamprenavir + Ritonavir
+ Abacavir-Lamivudine**

(n = 51)

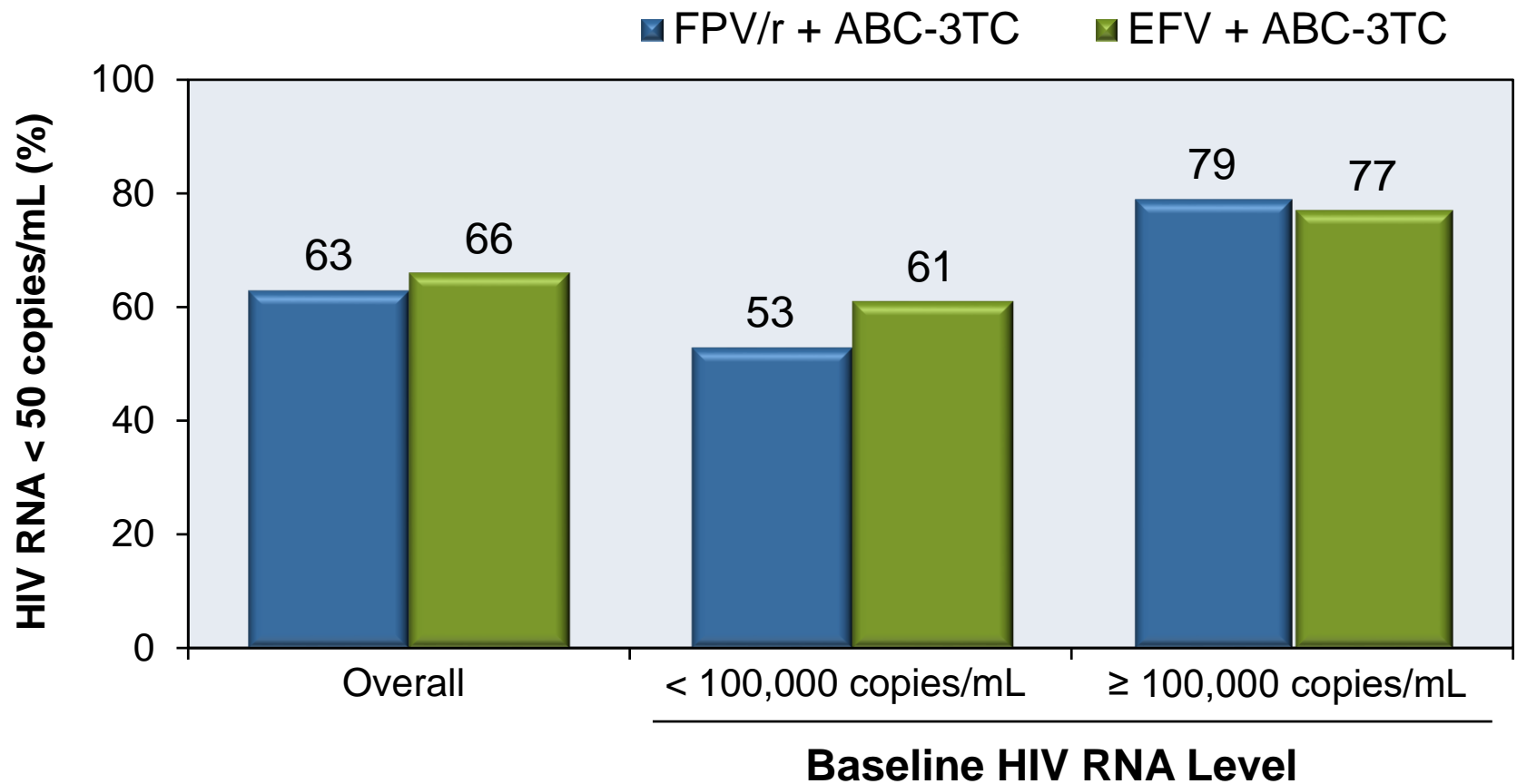
**Efavirenz
+ Abacavir-Lamivudine**

(n = 50)

FPV/r versus EFV, both with ABC-3TC

SUPPORT: Results

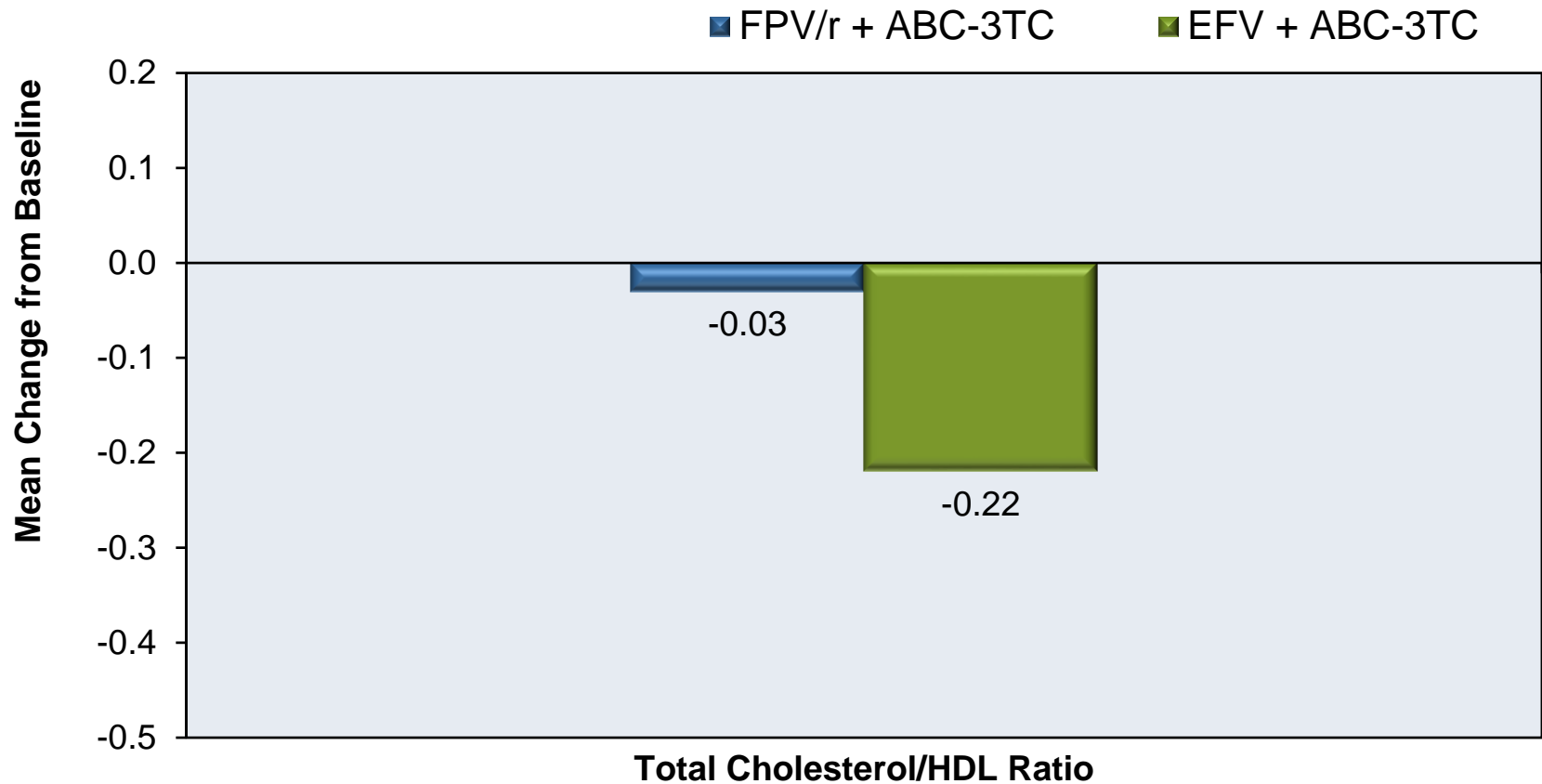
Week 96: Virologic Response (Intention-to-treat, Missing=Failure)



FPV/r versus EFV, both with ABC-3TC

SUPPORT: Results

Week 96: Analysis of Lipids

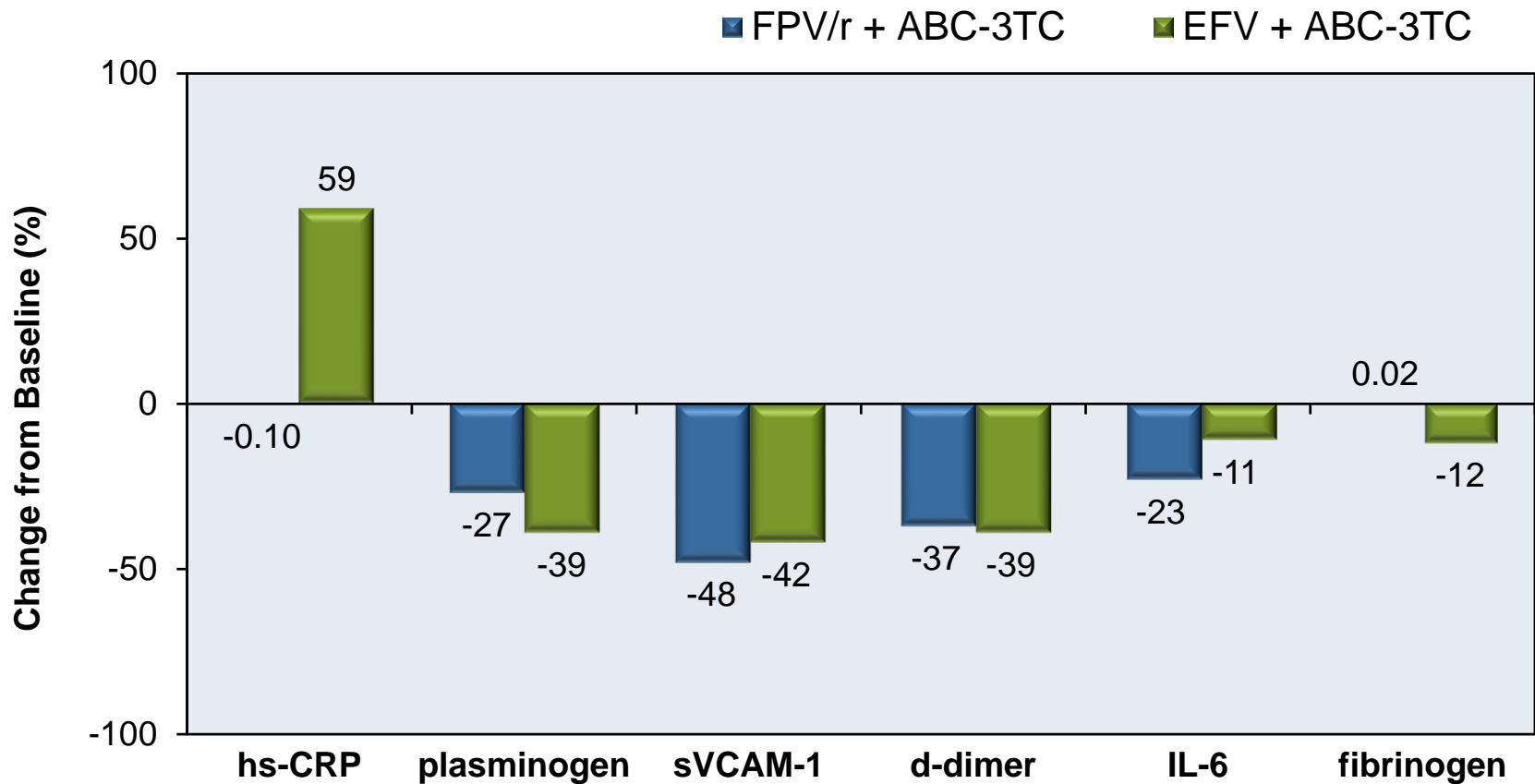


Source: Kumar P, et al. BMC Infect Dis. 2013;13:269.

FPV/r versus EFV, both with ABC-3TC

SUPPORT: Results

Week 96: Analysis of Cardiovascular Biomarkers



Source: Kumar P, et al. BMC Infect Dis. 2013;13:269.

FPV/r versus EFV, both with ABC-3TC

SUPPORT: Conclusions

Conclusions: “In this study of underrepresented patients, treatment with abacavir/lamivudine combined with either fosamprenavir/ritonavir or efavirenz over 96 weeks, produced stable or declining biomarker levels except for hs-CRP, including significant and favorable decreases in thrombotic activity (reflected by d-dimer) and endothelial activation (reflected by sVCAM-1). Our study adds to the emerging data that some cardiovascular biomarkers are decreased with initiation of ART and control of HIV viremia.”

TREATMENT EXPERIENCED

Efavirenz

EFV + ZDV + 3TC vs. EFV + IDV vs. IDV + ZDV + 3TC
006 Trial

EFV + ZDV + 3TC vs. EFV + IDV vs. IDV + ZDV + 3TC 006: Study Design

Study Design: 006

- **Background:** Open-label, randomized, phase 3 trial evaluating safety, efficacy and tolerability of efavirenz plus zidovudine plus lamivudine versus efavirenz plus indinavir versus indinavir plus zidovudine plus lamivudine in persons with HIV
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 450)**
 - Age ≥ 13 years
 - Naïve to lamivudine, NNRTIs, PIs
 - CD4 > 50 cells/mm³
 - HIV RNA $> 10,000$ copies/mL
 - No resistance to NRTIs or PIs
- **Treatment Arms**
 - EFV 600 mg QD + ZDV BID + 3TC BID
 - EFV 600 mg QD + IDV 1000 mg q8h
 - IDV 1000 mg q8h + ZDV BID + 3TC BID

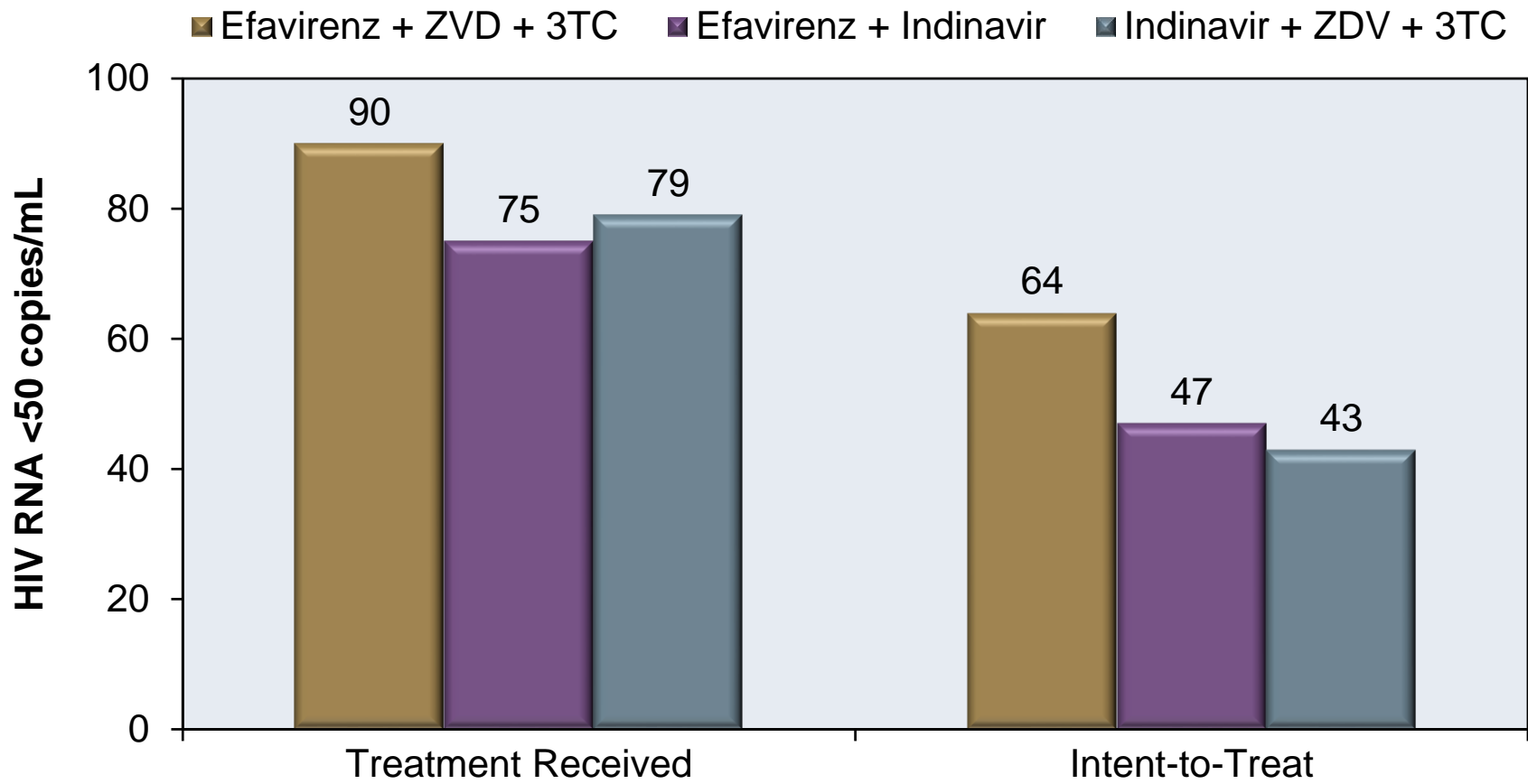
**Efavirenz 600 mg QD +
Zidovudine 300 mg BID +
Lamivudine 150 mg BID**
(n = 154)

**Efavirenz 600 mg QD +
Indinavir 1000 mg q8h**
(n = 148)

**Indinavir 1000 mg q8h +
Zidovudine 300 mg BID +
Lamivudine 150 mg BID**
(n = 148)

EFV + ZDV + 3TC vs. EFV + IDV vs. IDV + ZDV + 3TC 006: Results

Week 48: Virologic Response (Intention-to-Treat Analysis)



Source: Staszewski S, et al. N Engl J Med. 1999;341:1865-73.

EFV + ZDV + 3TC vs. EFV + IDV vs. IDV + ZDV + 3TC 006: Results

Adverse Effect	EFV + ZDV + 3TC	EFV + IND	IDV + ZDV + 3TC
Rash	34%	34%	18%
CNS Effects	58%	53%	26%
Nausea	15% (combined EFV groups)		27%
Vomiting	8% (combined EFV groups)		15%
Treatment Discontinuation	27%	Not reported	43%

Source: Staszewski S, et al. N Engl J Med. 1999;341:1865-73.

EFV + ZDV + 3TC vs. EFV + IDV vs. IDV + ZDV + 3TC 006: Conclusions

Conclusions: “As antiretroviral therapy in HIV-1-infected adults, the combination of efavirenz, zidovudine, and lamivudine has greater antiviral activity and is better tolerated than the combination of indinavir, zidovudine, and lamivudine.”

4-Drug Regimens versus 3-Drug Regimen
ACTG 388 Trial

4-Drug Regimens versus 3-Drug Regimen

ACTG 388: Study Design

Study Design: ACTG 388

- **Background:** Randomized, controlled, phase 3 trial comparing the activity, safety, and tolerability of two different 4-drug regimens with a 3-drug regimen in advanced HIV disease
- **Inclusion Criteria (n = 517)**
 - Prior ART: only ZDV, d4T, DDI, ddC
 - CD4 \leq 200 cells/mm³
 - HIV RNA \geq 80,000 copies/mL
 - No resistance to NRTIs or PIs
- **Treatment Arms**
 - IDV 800 mg TID + ZDV-3TC BID
 - EFV 600 mg QD + IDV 800 mg TID + ZDV-3TC BID
 - NFV 1250 mg BID + IDV 1000 mg BID + ZDV-3TC BID

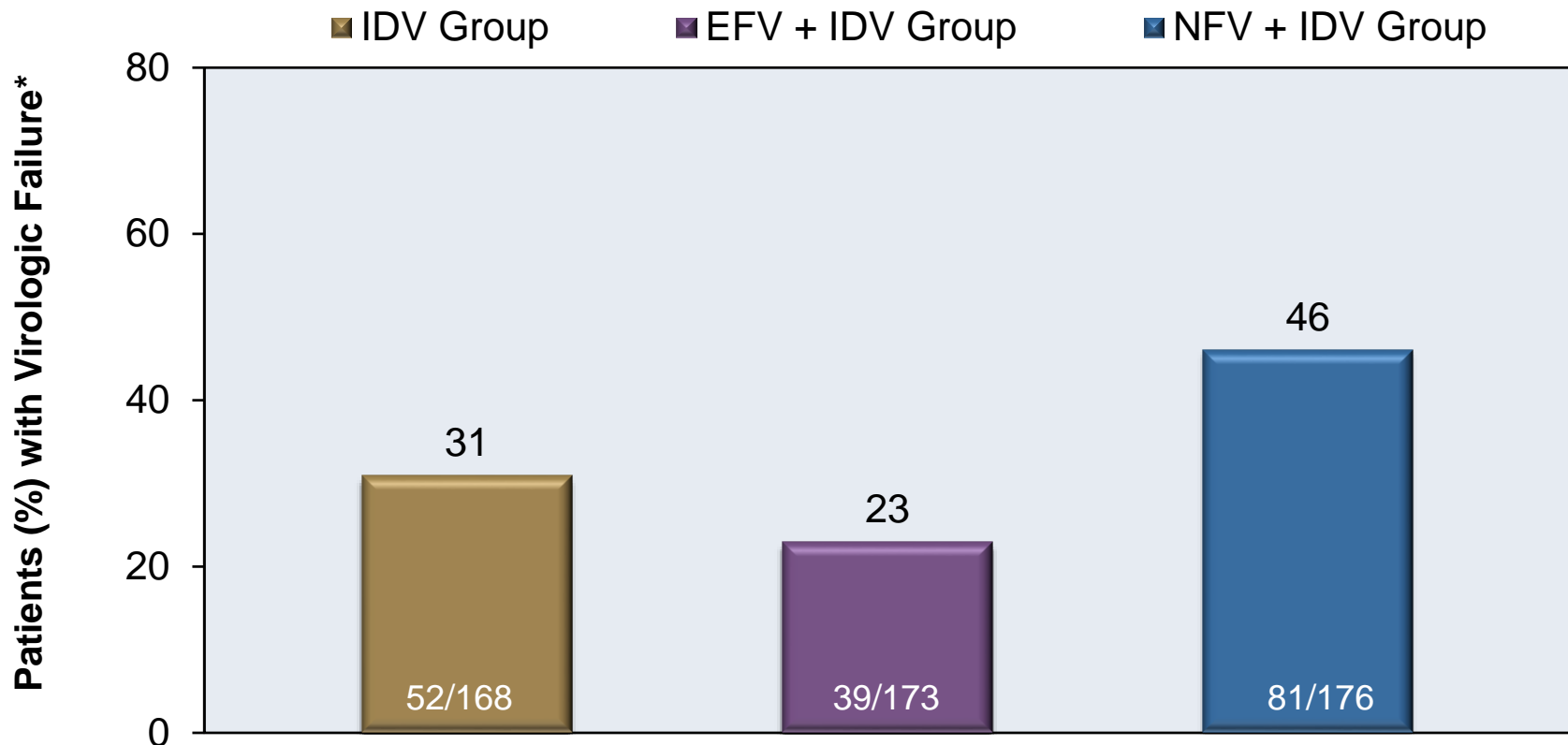
Indinavir Group
**Indinavir +
Zidovudine-Lamivudine**
(n = 168)

Efavirenz + Indinavir Group
**Efavirenz + Indinavir +
Zidovudine-Lamivudine**
(n = 173)

Nelfinavir + Indinavir Group
**Nelfinavir + Indinavir +
Zidovudine-Lamivudine**
(n = 176)

4-Drug Regimens versus 3-Drug Regimen ACTG 388: Results

Week 48: Virologic Failure



*Virologic failure = confirmed increase in HIV-1 RNA level greater than baseline or nadir values, failure to achieve HIV RNA <200 copies by week 24, or relapse (2 consecutive HIV-1 RNA levels \geq 200 copies/mL after confirmed virologic response (HIV-1 RNA levels <200 copies/mL).

Source: Fischl MA, et al. *J Infect Dis.* 2003;188(5):625-34.

4-Drug Regimens versus 3-Drug Regimen ACTG 388: Results

Clinical Toxicity and Laboratory Abnormalities			
Variable	IDV only (n = 168)	EFV + IDV (n = 168)	NVF + IDV (n = 168)
Nausea (+/- vomiting)	15	7	19
Diarrhea	4	3	16
Rash	2	7	3
Nephrolithiasis	22	5	8
Serum bilirubin >2.5x ULN	16	0	8
ANC <750 cells/mm ³	8	12	21
AST >5x ULN	6	11	8
Serum triglycerides >750 mg/dL	7	12	8

4-Drug Regimens versus 3-Drug Regimen

ACTG 388: Conclusions

Conclusions: “A 4-drug regimen containing efavirenz plus indinavir resulted in a superior virologic response, whereas one containing nelfinavir plus indinavir resulted in an inferior response and a greater likelihood of toxicity.”

NRTI-Sparing Regimens following Viral Suppression
ACTG 5116

NRTI-sparing Regimens following Viral Suppression

ACTG 5116: Study Design

Study Design: ACTG 5116

- **Background:** Randomized, open-label trial to compare NRTI-sparing regimen of lopinavir-ritonavir plus efavirenz versus efavirenz plus 2 NRTIs
- **Inclusion Criteria (n= 236)**
 - Prior ACTG 388 participants: HIV RNA \leq 200 copies/mL on a first 3- or 4-drug ARV regimen
 - Non-ACTG 388 participants: stable first 3- or 4-drug NNRTI or PI-based regimen for \geq 18 months without viral failure or resistance and HIV RNA \leq 200 copies/mL
- **Treatment Arms**
 - Lopinavir-ritonavir 533/133 mg BID + Efavirenz 600 mg QD
 - Efavirenz 600 mg QD + 2 NRTIs

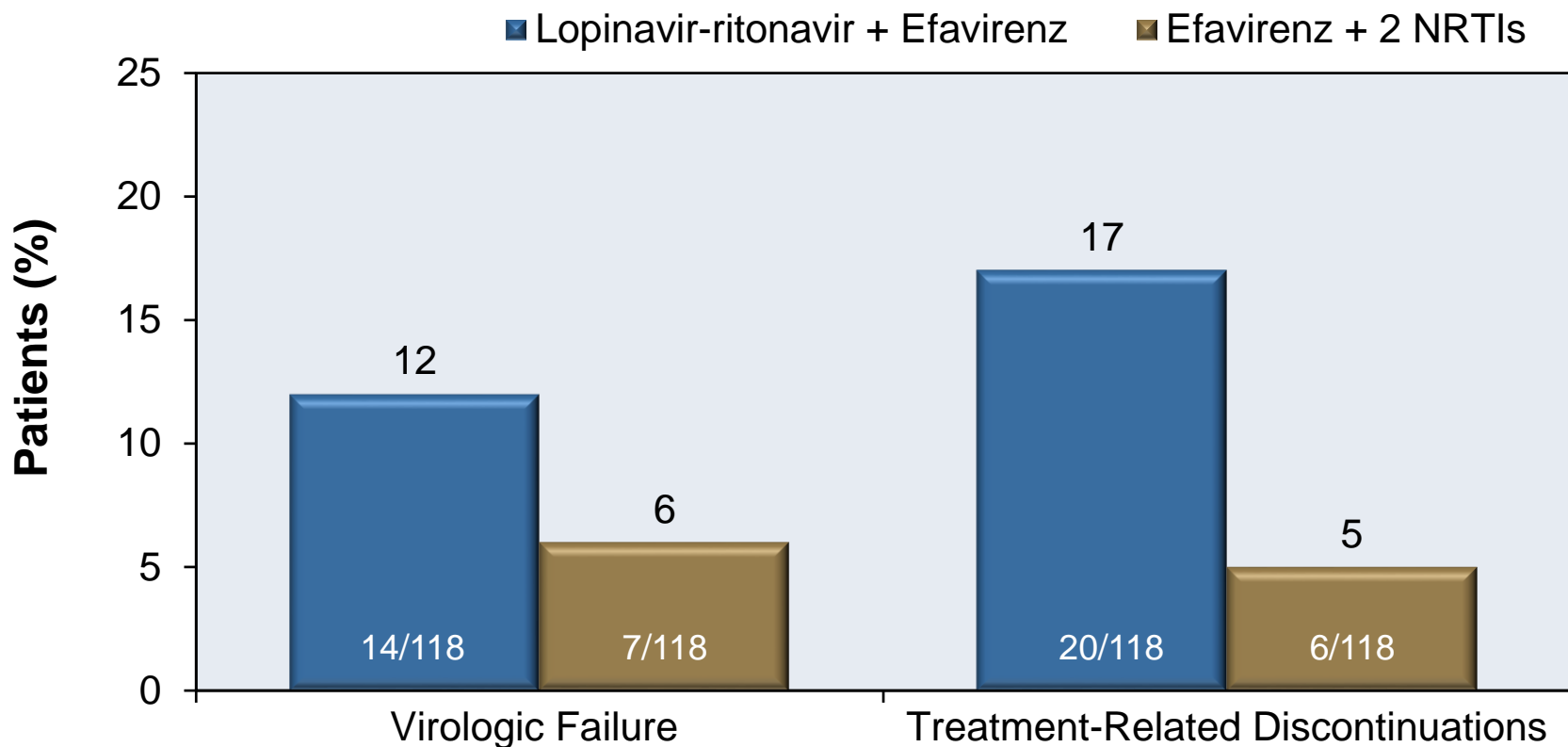
**Lopinavir-ritonavir +
Efavirenz**
(n = 118)

Efavirenz + 2NRTIs
(n = 118)

NRTI-Sparing Regimens following Viral Suppression

ACTG 5116: Results

Week 48: Virologic Failure and Treatment-Related Discontinuations

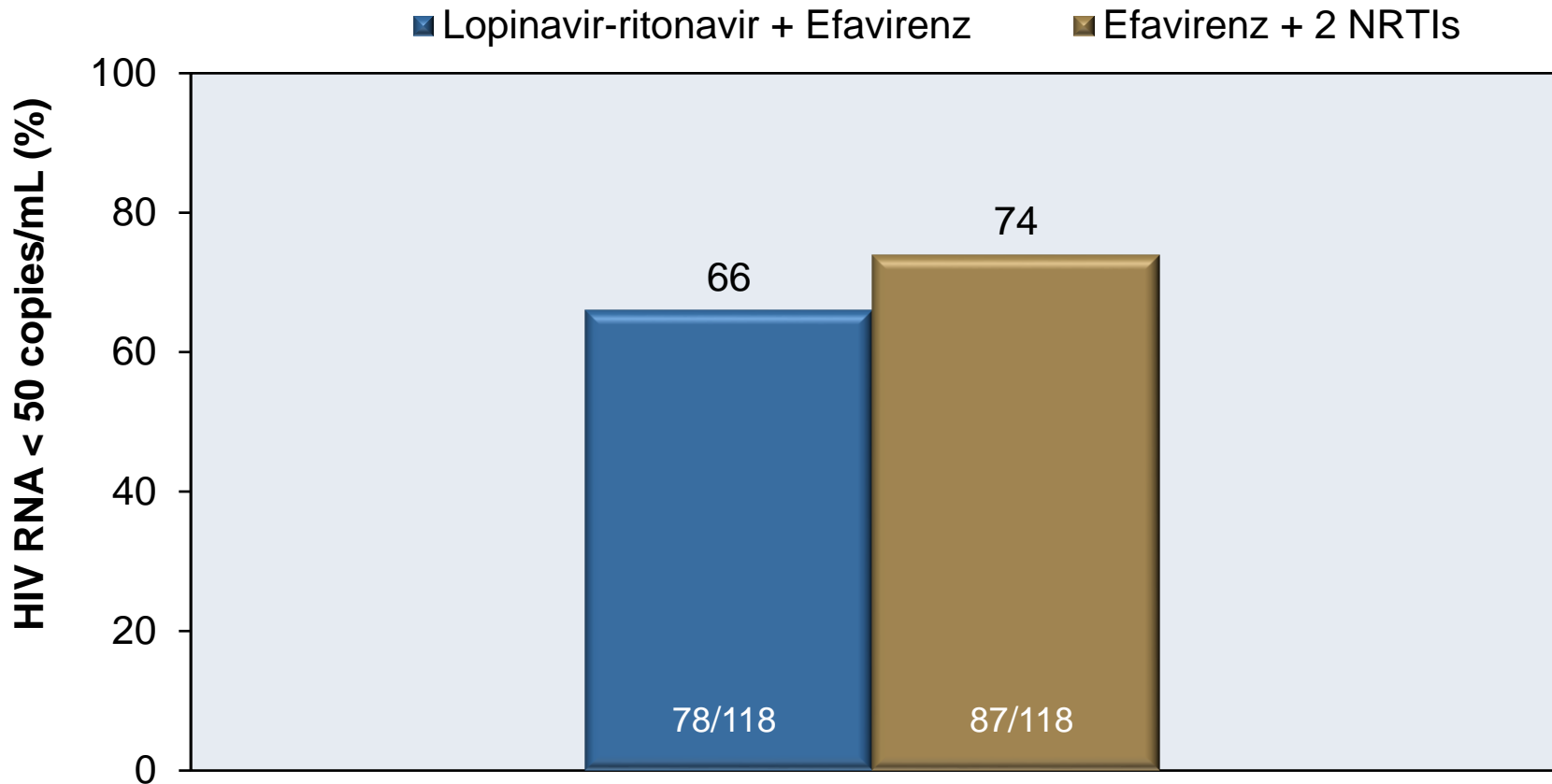


Virologic failure = two successive HIV-1 RNA values > 200 copies/mL

Class-sparing Regimens following Viral Suppression

ACTG 5116: Results

Week 48: Virologic Response (Intent-to-Treat)



Source: Fischl MA, et al. AIDS. 2007;21:325-33.

NRTI-Sparing Regimens following Viral Suppression

ACTG 5116: Conclusions

Conclusions: “Switching to EFV + NRTI resulted in better outcomes, fewer drug-related toxicity discontinuations and a trend to fewer virologic failures compared to switching to LPV/r + EFV.”

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