

# Sofosbuvir in hemodialysis: 400 mg daily or only the day of hemodialysis?

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# Hepatitis C infection in patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD)

- **HCV infection**
  - independent risk factor for CKD development
- **HCV infection in CKD patients**
  - Faster liver disease progression
  - Higher liver-related morbi-mortality
- **Anti-HCV treatment in CKD patients**
  - Reduce significantly proteinuria and stabilized serum creatinine

Chen, YC *et al.*, *Kidney Int* 2014- EASL, *J Hepatol* 2014 - Azmi AN, *et al.* *World J Hepatol* 2015

- **SOF containing-regimen in patients on hemodialysis (HD)\***
  - Neither **safety dosing** nor **efficacy data available**
  - Need for **dose adjustments unknown**
  - should not be administered to patients **until more data is available**
  - in France, no reimbursement indication, due to lack of guidelines

\*AASLD/IDSA/IAS-USA. Recommendations for Testing, Managing, and Treating Hepatitis C - Unique patient populations: patients with renal impairment 2014 <http://www.hcvguidelines.org/full-report/unique-patient-populations-patients-renal-impairment>

# SOF in CKD patients in the literature

- **15 VHC GT1 patients** on hemodialysis

SOF 200mg QD + SMV 150mg QD

- Safe and well-tolerated
- 2 relapsers

Bhamidimarri K, et al. EASL 2015

- **9 VHC GT1 or GT3 CKD patients**

SOF 200mg QD + RBV (VHC 1 or 3)

- Safe and relatively well tolerated
- 5 relapsers

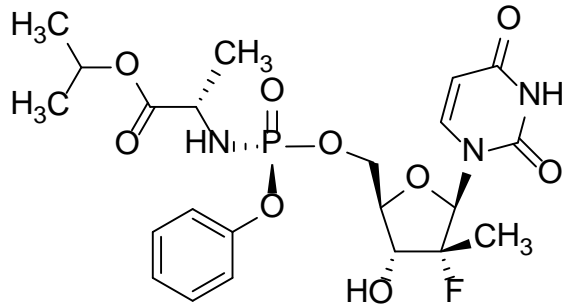
Gane EJ, et al. AASLD 2014

- **1 HCV GT1 patient on HD** with liver transplantation SOF200mg QD + SMV 150mg QD

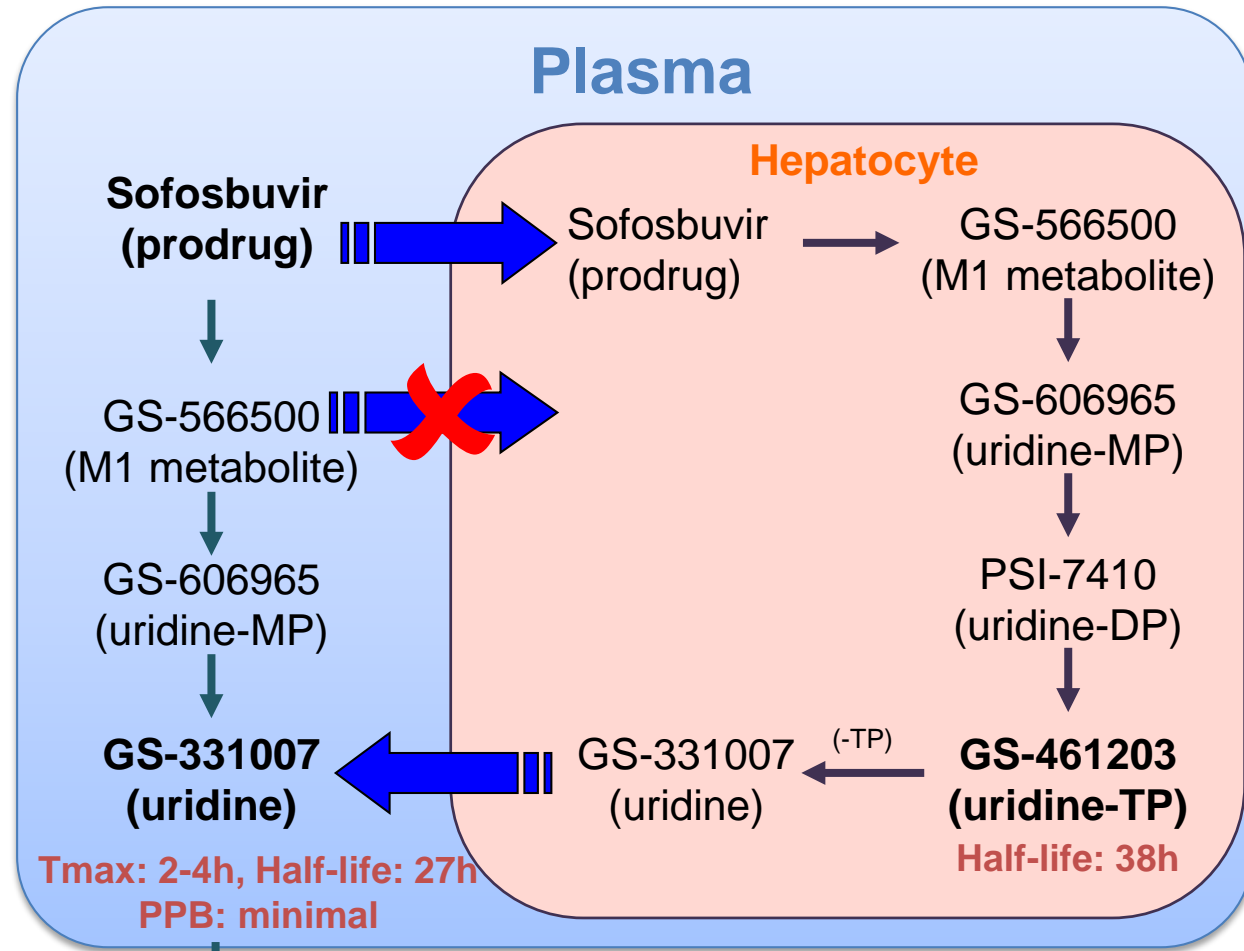
- Safe and well tolerated
- SVR 12

Perumpail RB, et al. Transpl Infect Dis 2015

# Sofosbuvir pharmacokinetic characteristics



**Sofosbuvir**  
**MW = 529.45 g/mol**  
**T<sub>max</sub>: 0.5h-2h**  
**Half-life: 1.5h**  
**Plasma Protein binding (PPB): 61-65%**

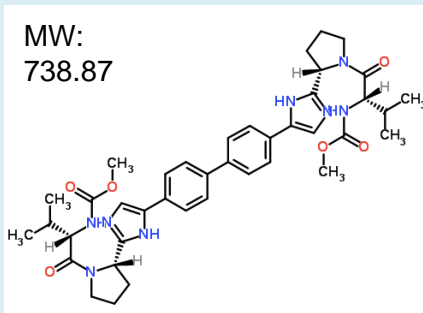


**urinary excretion (85%)**  
**hemodialysis extraction ratio (53%)**

# Other Direct Acting Anti-HCV Agents

## useful characteristics

### Daclatasvir (DCV)

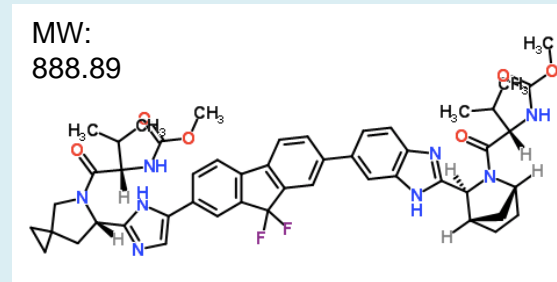


Biliary excretion

PPB>99%,  
Half-life: 15h

No dose adjustment of Daklinza® is required for patients with any degree of renal impairment

### Ledipasvir (LDV)

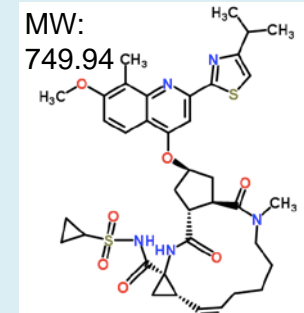


Biliary excretion

PPB>99,8%,  
Half-life: 47h

Hemodialysis is unlikely to result in significant removal of ledipasvir

### Simeprevir (SMV)



Biliary excretion

PPB>99,9%  
Half-life: 41h

As exposure may be increased in HCV infected patients with severe renal impairment, caution is recommended when prescribing simeprevir to these patients

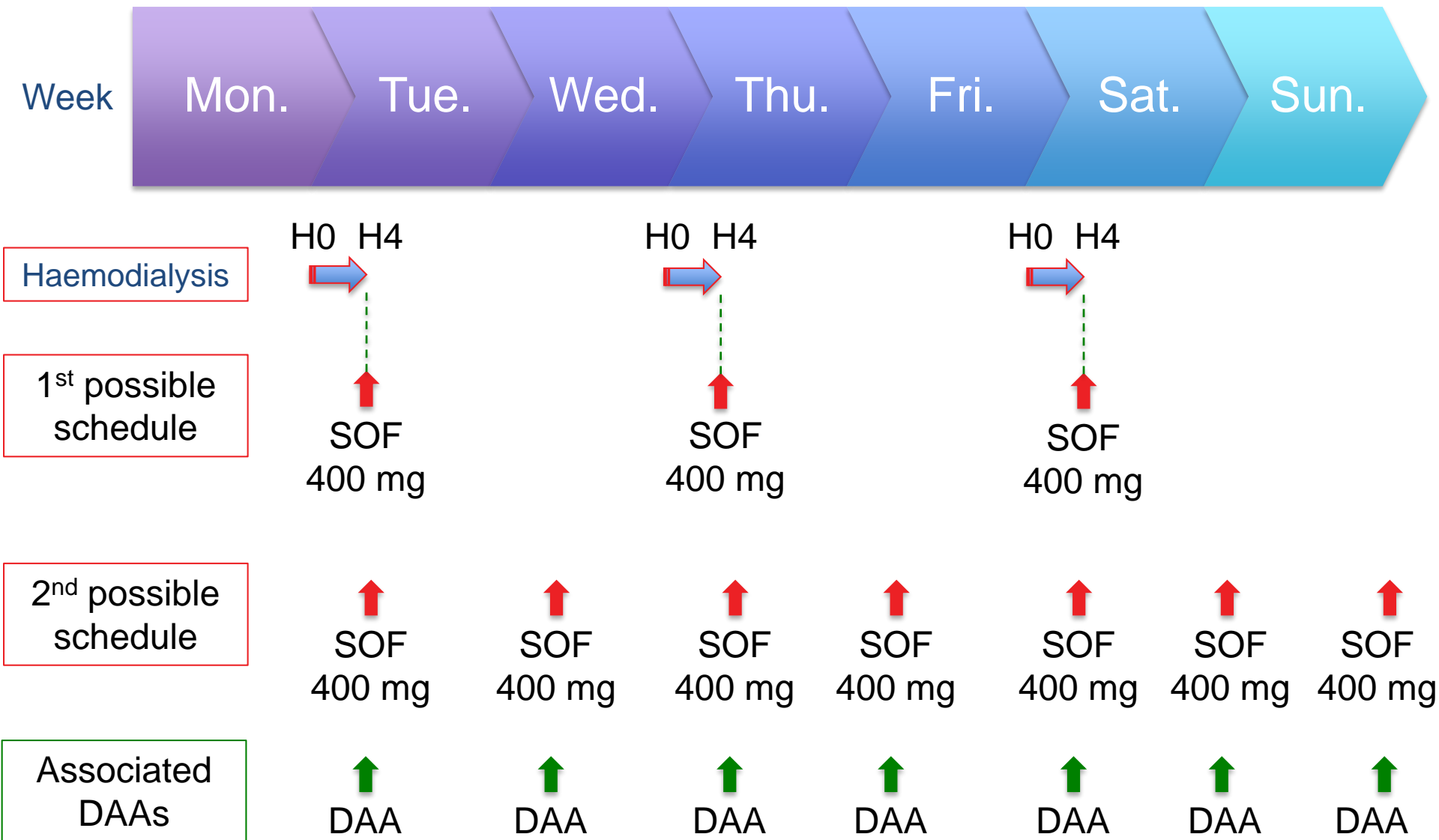
# Objectives

- To determine safety, efficacy and pharmacokinetics parameters of SOF, SOF-007 and associated DAAs in HCV-infected patients requiring hemodialysis (HD)
  - receiving SOF **400mg three times a week** (TIW) after HD
  - receiving SOF **400mg once-daily** (QD) after HD

# Materials and Methods (1)

- **Prospective, multicenter and observational study**
- **Inclusion criteria**
  - HCV-infected patients on HD requiring anti-HCV treatment
  - Naive, null or partial responders to previous anti-HCV treatment (PegIFN + Ribavirin +/- boceprevir)
  - Receiving SOF containing-regimen combined with :
    - daclatasvir (DCV) 60mg once-daily (QD),
    - Or ledipasvir (LDV) 90mg QD,
    - Or simeprevir (SMV) 150mg QD,
    - Or ribavirine (RBV) 200mg QD

# Study design





# Materials and methods (2)

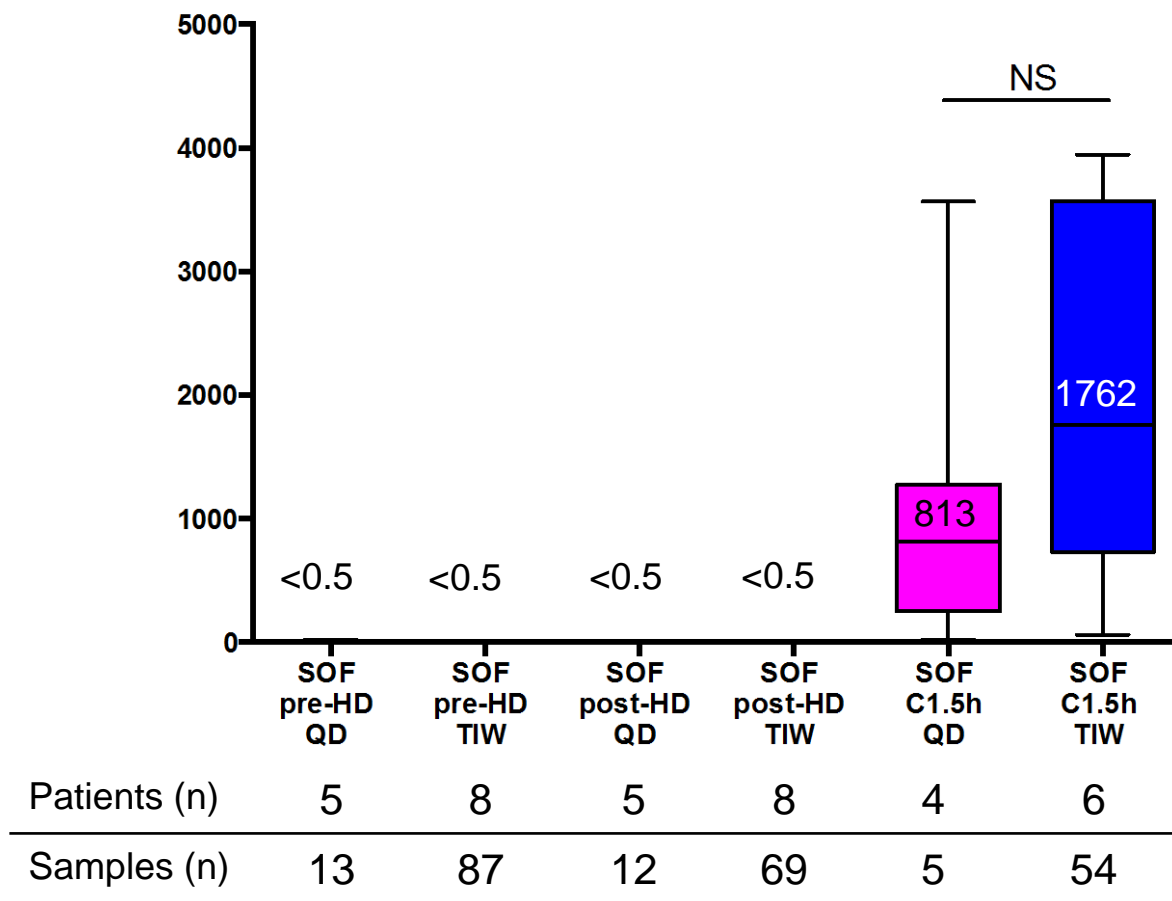
- Blood samples were collected **before HD (Pre-HD), after a 4hour-HD (Post-HD) and 1.5 hour after dose intake (C1.5h)** after the end of HD
- **Plasma concentrations** of **SOF, SOF-007, RBV, SMV, DCV** and **LDV** were determined using UPLC-MS/MS (Waters Acquity UPLC-TQD, Milford, MA, USA)
- **Lower limit of quantification** (LOQ) was 1 ng/ml for SOF and 10 ng/mL for other compounds
- **Dialysance:** determined using paired pre and post-HD plasma concentration  $[(\text{pre-HD} - \text{Post-HD})/\text{Pre-HD}]$
- **Accumulation of SOF-007:** Spearman's correlations tests between plasma concentrations and days of cumulated treatment
- **Statistical analysis:**
  - Descriptive analysis: median (IQR25-75%)
  - Non-parametric Mann-Whitney tests
  - Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed rank test

# Patients characteristics

<b>Patients, n (Men)</b>	13 (11)
<b>Samples, n (Before HD; After HD; 1.5hr post-dose)</b>	256 (100;81;75)
<b>Age, years, median (IQR)</b>	52.0 (43.5-60.8)
<b>Race/ethnicity, n</b>	
Caucasian	8
African	4
Asian	1
<b>HCV genotype, n</b>	
1 / 2 / 3 / Unknown	10 / 1 / 1 / 1
<b>Cirrhosis, n</b>	8
<b>Fibroscan®, kPa (IQR range)</b>	12.2 (1.6-7.9)
<b>Fibrotest, n</b>	
0.00-0.21 (F0)	1
0.22-0.31 (F1)	2
0.59-0.72 (F3)	2
0.75-1.00 (F4)	2
Not determined	6

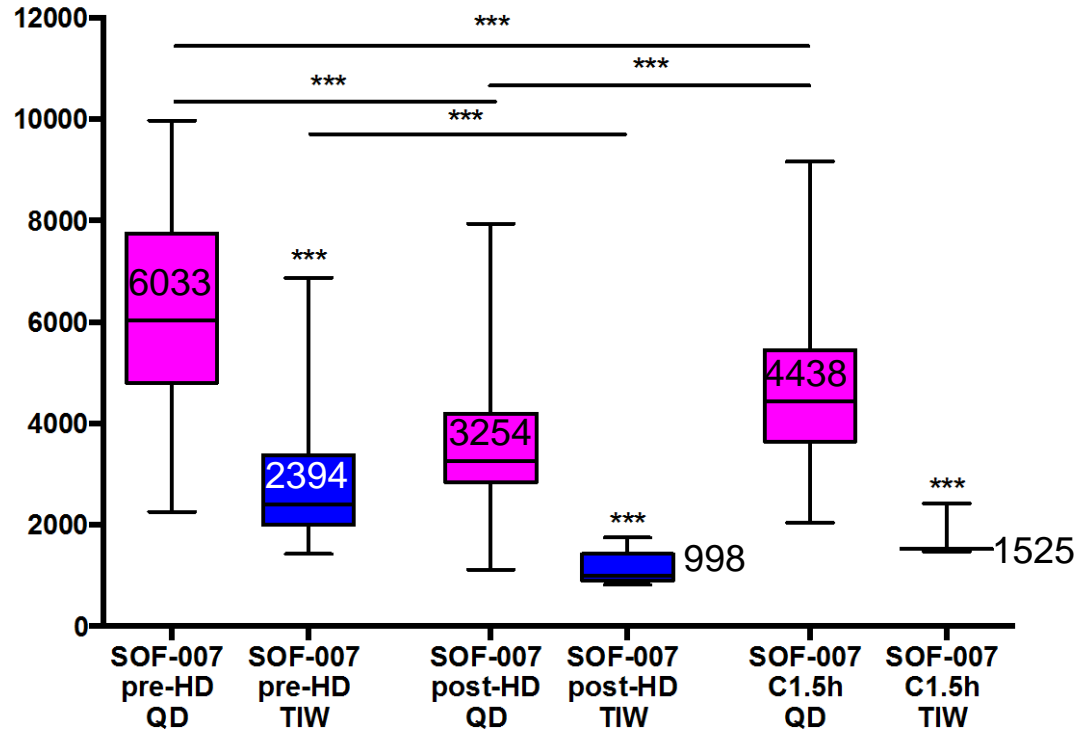
<b>Contamination mode, n</b>	
IV drug use	3
Iatrogenic	4
Unknown	6
<b>HCV viral load at baseline, Log10 IU/L, median (IQR)</b>	6.47 (5.94-6.76)
<b>HIV/HCV co-infection, n</b>	3
<b>Previous anti-HCV treatment, n</b>	
Naive	7
Null responders	4
Relapsers	2
<b>Anti-HCV regimen, n</b>	
400mg SOF TIW / SOF QD	5/8
+ DCV	9
+ LDV	1
+ SMV	2
+ RBV	1

# SOF plasma concentrations (median, ng/mL)



**No SOF accumulation pre- and post-HD either in TIW nor in QD patients**

# SOF-007 plasma concentrations (median,ng/mL)



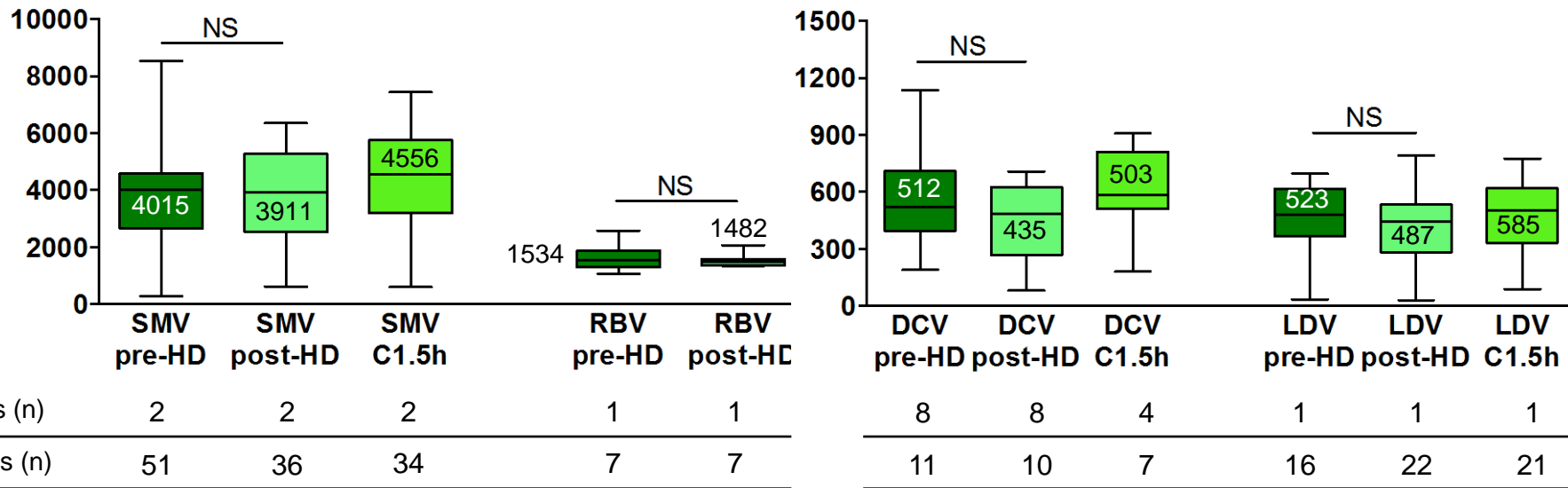
Patients (n)	6	3	6	3	6	3
Samples (n)	68	11	65	11	61	3

65 paired pre- and post-HD samples



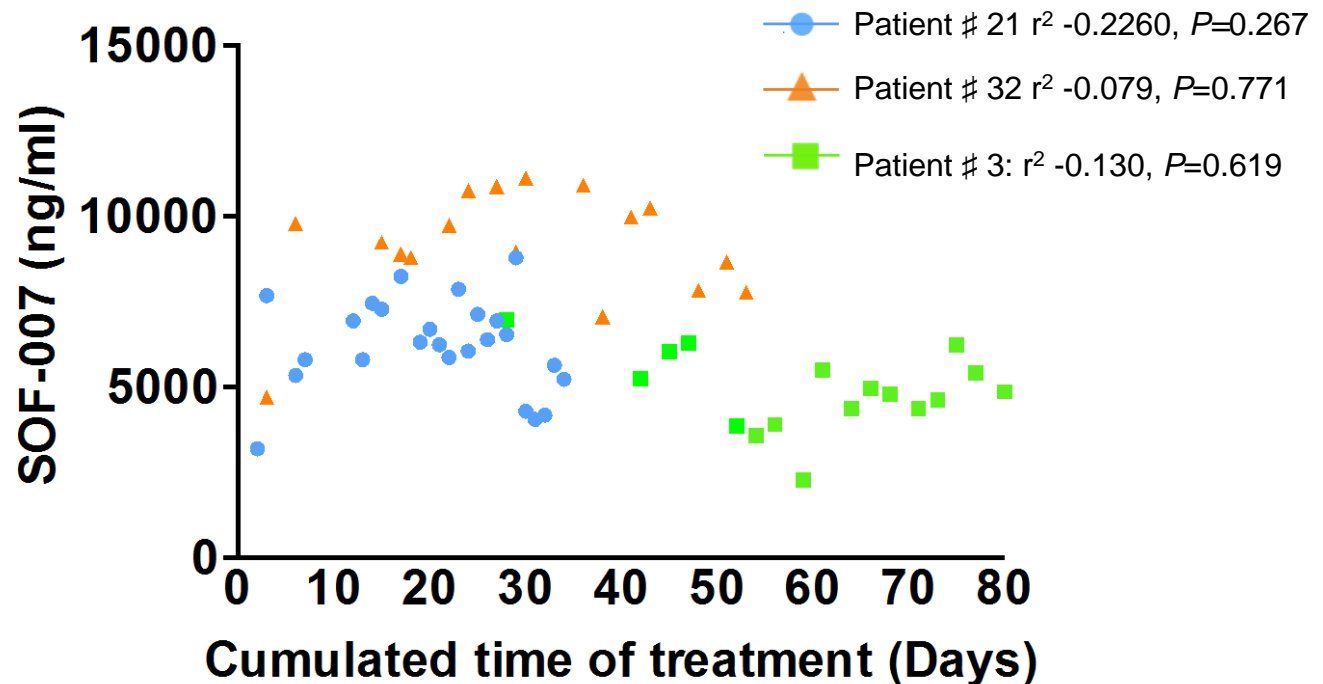
**SOF-007 Estimated extraction ratio: 52%**

# Other anti-HCV plasma concentrations (median, IQR; ng/ml)



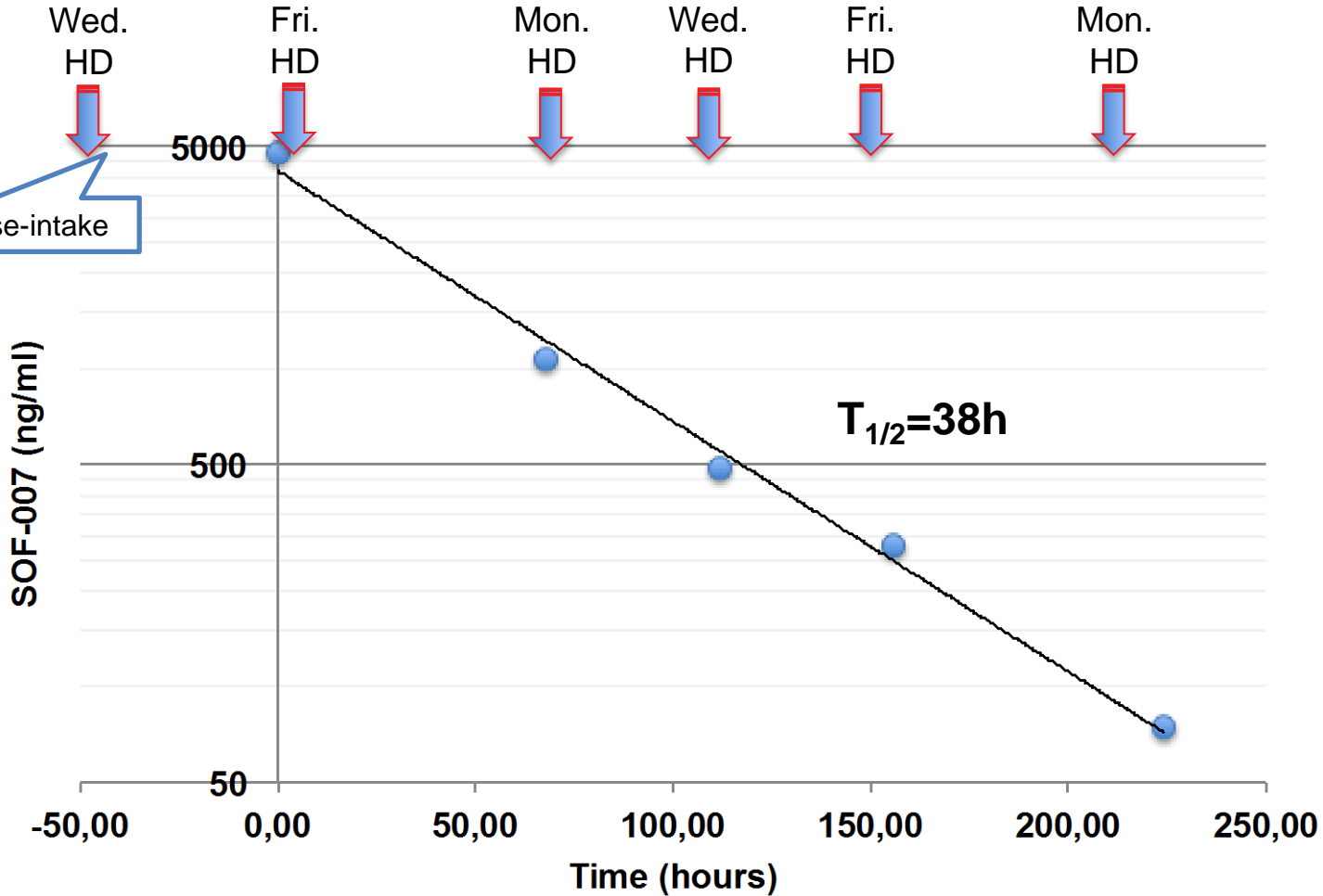
**No difference between Pre-HD and Post-HD concentrations for associated DAAs**

# No SOF-007 accumulation before HD in patients receiving SOF QD



No SOF-007 accumulation between hemodialysis sessions and during the treatment in 3 QD regimen patients

# SOF-007 elimination after DAAs cessation (SOF + SMV) in one patient



**SOF-007 plasma half-life estimated: 38 h**

# Patients' tolerance

## Median Biological parameters (IQR)

	Before treatment	After treatment	P
AST U/L	39.0 (28.5-75.0)	17.0 (15.0-24.8)	<b>0.0078</b>
ALT U/L,	38.0 (26.5-83.5)	14.5 (12.5-23.8)	<b>0.0039</b>
Total plasma Bilirubin, mg/dl	7.0 (5.3-8.5)	5.8 (5.0-15.5)	0.6875
GGT U/L	118.0 (61.0-448.0)	53.0 (40.3-128.0)	<b>0.0039</b>
Platelet G/L	169.0 (121.5-274.0)	186.5 (172.0-274.5)	0.2109

## Clinical Safety

Adverse events	Grade 1	Grade 3
Headache	2	
Muscle weakness	1	
Streptococcus sepsis on erysipelas (unrelated to treatment)		1



**Tolerance was very good in all patients**



# Virological responses

	<b>SVR4</b>	<b>SVR8</b>	<b>SVR 12</b>	<b>SVR 24</b>	<b>Relapse</b>	<b>Pending</b>
SOF TIW		1	1		0	3
SOF QD	1		3	1	0	3



**So far no relapse patients, 7 patients with a sustained viral response**

# Discussion

- SOF C1.5h and SOF-007 **higher** in HD patients than in normal renal function patients\*
- But **no SOF and SOF-007 accumulation** in HCV-patient requiring HD neither in SOF TIW nor QD
- SOF-007 extraction ratio consistent with historical data (53%)\*
- As expected, HD did not significantly remove SMV, DCV, LDV and RBV\*
- Both regimens, TIW and QD were **very well tolerated**
- SOF-007 half-life in a QD patient slightly higher than in normal renal function patients\*, but **compatible with a SOF daily-administration**

# Conclusion

- In patient on hemodialysis requiring anti-HCV treatment a regimen containing full-dose SOF is an alternative option
- A close monitoring of these patients should be carried out including clinical, biological, cardiac and therapeutic drug monitoring