

Case: Patient with Liver Cirrhosis – CPT A

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Case 2: Liver Cirrhosis, CPT A

- Mr. AB is a 52-year-old overweight male
- Works alternatively in day and night shifts
- Diagnosed for HCV genotype 1a infection more than 15 years ago
- Comorbidities:
 - Diabetes mellitus (not well controlled)
 - Gastroesophageal reflux disease
- Refused IFN-based therapies due to work and concerns about job
- Treated with sofosbuvir/ledipasvir for 12 weeks
 - HCV RNA was 28 IU/mL after 4 weeks therapy
 - Undetectable at week 8 and 12

Case 2: History (cont'd)

- Virologic relapse diagnosed 12 weeks after EoT
 - 4 weeks after EoT, HCV RNA was still undetectable
- Due to his shift work, he admitted to have switched the intake of medications from morning to evening and forgot the medication on individual days approximately 4-5 times
- Due to worsening heart burn, his GP increased the omeprazole dose from 20 mg to 2 x 40 mg for 8 weeks

Case 2: Past History, Medications, Physical Examination

Past History

- Diabetes
- Obesity
- GERD

Meds

- Metformin 2 x 1,000 mg
- Omeprazole 20 mg (intermittently increased to 2 x 40 mg due to worsening of reflux)

Physical Examination

- Blood pressure 150/90
- Heart rate 76/min
- BMI 32 kg/m²

Case 2: Laboratory Tests

- Hemoglobin 14.5 g/dL
- WBC 5.4/mm³
- Platelets 115,000/μL
- Albumin 4.0 mg/dL
- INR 1.0
- Creatinine 1.0 mg/dL
- Sodium 140 mEq/L
- Bilirubin 0.8 mg/dL
- ALT 86 U/L, AST 49 U/L, GGT 135 U/L
- HCV RNA 2,256,000 IU/ml, genotype 1a

Case 2: Ultrasound Results

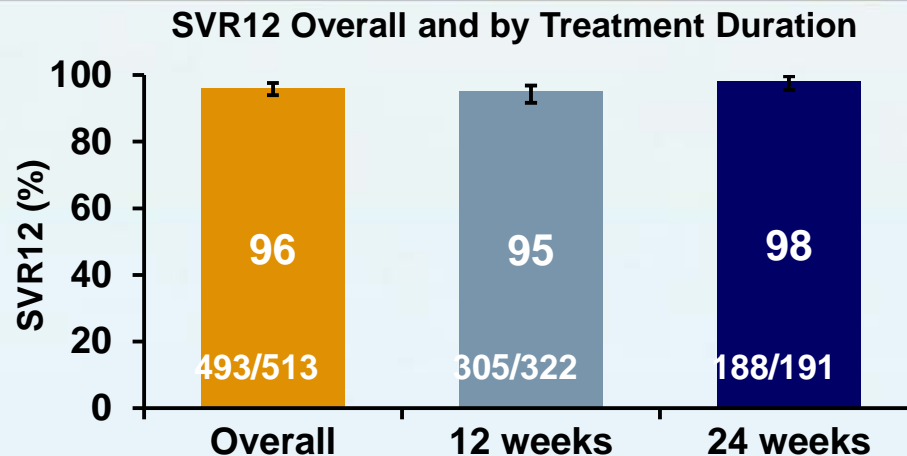
- Steatosis III
- No focal lesions
- Spleen 14.5 cm
- Stiffness 15.8 kPa (Fibroscan with XL probe)

Case 2: Question 1

Which of the following statements is most unlikely?

1. Non-compliance may have contributed to the virologic relapse after 12 weeks sofosbuvir/ledipasvir due to major
2. No virologic relapse, but rather HCV re-infection
3. Virologic relapse because treatment duration was too short and should have been 24 weeks, alternatively ribavirin should have been added to a 12 weeks treatment regimen
4. Virologic relapse due to omeprazole co-medication and insufficient bioavailability of ledipasvir

Compensated Cirrhosis Treated with LDV/SOF ± RBV



| SVR12 by Treatment regimen | | Total | Treatment-Naive | Treatment-Experienced |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Overall SVR12 | | 96% | 98% | 95% |
| Duration | 12 wk | 95% | 97% | 94% |
| | 24 wk | 98% | 99% | 98% |
| Regimen | LDV/SOF | 95% | 96% | 95% |
| | LDV/SOF + RBV | 97% | 99% | 96% |
| Duration/ ± RBV | LDV/SOF 12 wk | 92% | 96% | 90% |
| | LDV/SOF + RBV 12 wk | 96% | 98% | 96% |
| | LDV/SOF 24 wk | 98% | 97% | 98% |
| | LDV/SOF + RBV 24 wk | 100% | 100% | 100% |

Guidelines: HCV Genotype 1

| Population | | EASL Recommendations 2015 | AASLD/IDSA HCV Guidance 2015 |
|--------------------|--------------|---|--|
| TN | No cirrhosis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF 12 weeks (8 weeks with caution, <6 MIU BL HCV) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF 12 weeks (8 weeks at discretion of practitioner) |
| | Cirrhosis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF + RBV 12 weeks or LDV/SOF 24 weeks (CI for RBV) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF 12 weeks |
| TE (Peg-IFN + RBV) | No cirrhosis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF 12 weeks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF 12 weeks |
| | Cirrhosis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF + RBV 12 weeks or LDV/SOF 24 weeks (CI for RBV) • LDV/SOF + RBV 24 weeks (negative predictors) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDV/SOF 24 weeks or LDV/SOF + RBV 12 weeks |

Sofosbuvir and Ledipasvir: Effect of Acid Reducing Agents

| Concomitant Drug Class: Drug Name | Effect on Concentration | Clinical Comment |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| Acid Reducing Agents: | | Ledipasvir solubility decreases as pH increases, Drugs that increase gastric pH are expected to decrease concentration of ledipasvir |
| Antacids (e.g., aluminum and magnesium hydroxide) | ↓ Ledipasvir | It is recommended to separate antacid and [sofosbuvir/ledipasvir] administration by 4 hours |
| H ₂ -receptor antagonists (e.g., famotidine) | | H ₂ -receptor antagonists may be administered simultaneously with or 12 hours apart from [sofosbuvir/ledipasvir] at a dose that does not exceed doses comparable to famotidine 40 mg twice daily |
| Proton-pump inhibitors (e.g., omeprazole) | | Proton-pump inhibitor doses comparable to omeprazole 20 mg or lower can be administered simultaneously with [sofosbuvir/ledipasvir] under fasted conditions |

Case 2: Follow-Up

- RAV testing (population sequencing) was performed and revealed a Y93H mutation in the NS5A gene
- Patient was carefully counseled with respect to optimal compliance
- He was advised against the concurrent use of (higher dose) PPIs with an NS5A inhibitor

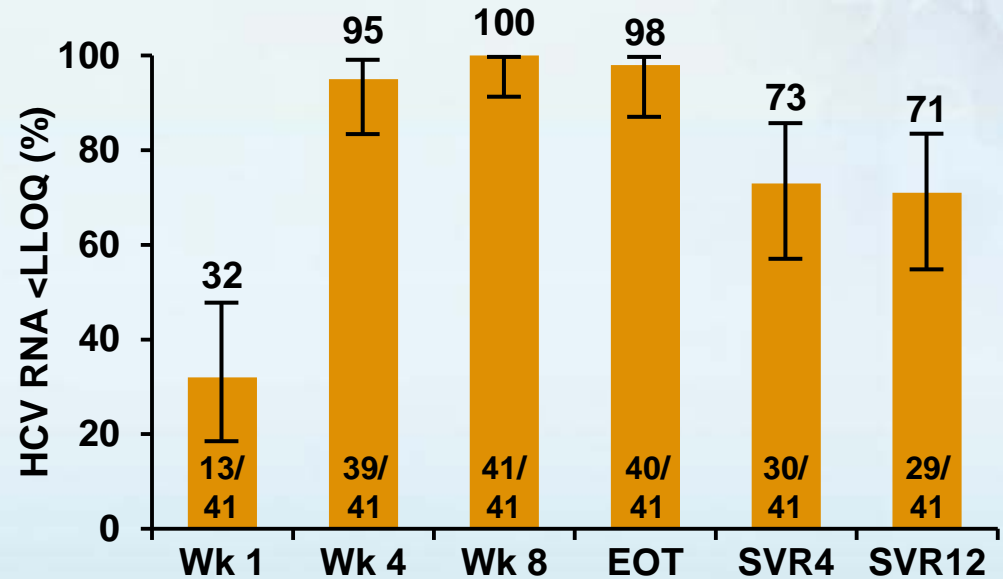
Case 2: Question 2

Which of the following statements is true?

1. No re-treatment options are available for patients who fail sofosbuvir/ledipasvir and have a confirmed Y93H RAV
2. Only IFN-based treatment options are reasonable for this patient
3. Recommended retreatment schedule is sofosbuvir/ledipasvir or sofosbuvir/daclatasvir for 24 weeks plus ribavirin
4. Sofosbuvir/simeprevir with or without RBV would be the alternative treatment option of choice

LDV/SOF for 24 Weeks in Patients Who Failed 8 or 12 Weeks of LDV/SOF-based Regimens

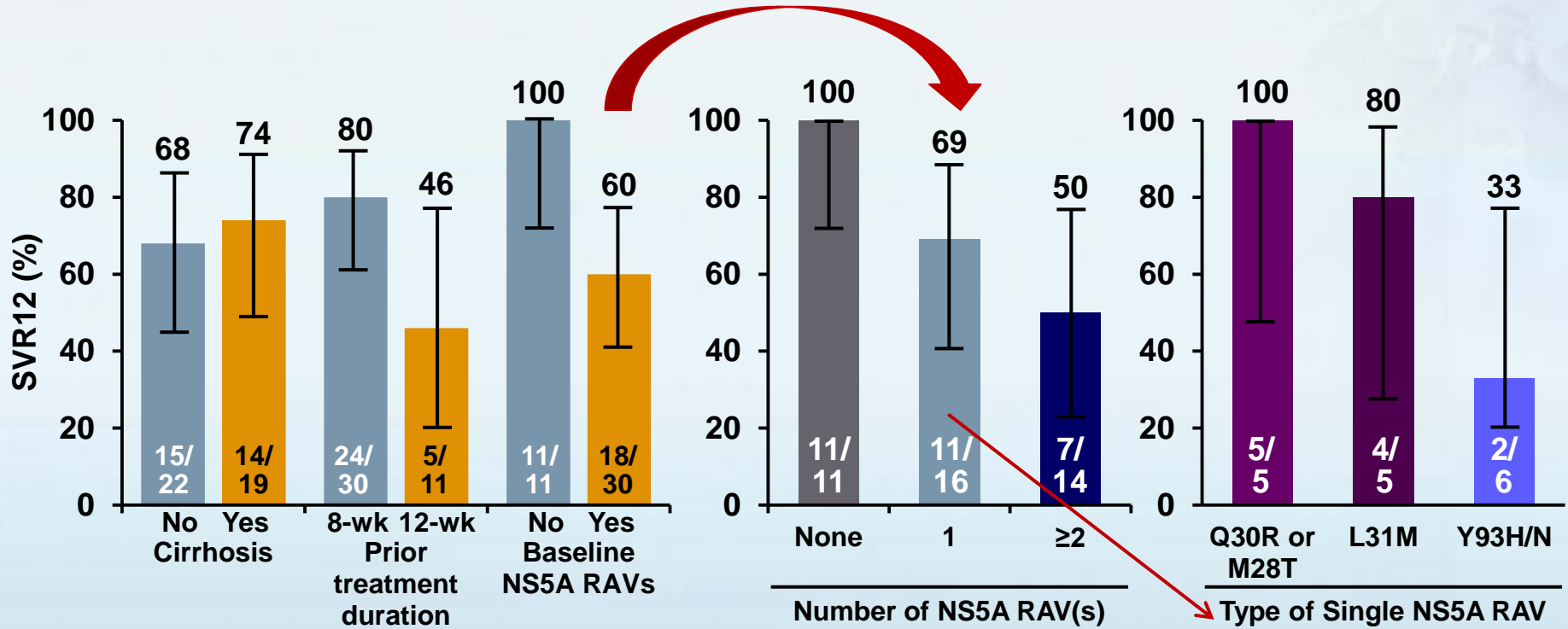
- 41 patients who failed LDV/SOF retreated for 24 weeks LDV/SOF
 - Prior Tx
 - LDV/SOF ± RBV; n=33 (80%)
 - LDV/SOF + GS-9669; n=8 (20%)
 - Tx durations
 - 8-wk Tx; n=30
 - 12-wk Tx; n=11
 - Cirrhosis; n=19 (46%)



- Safety
 - No d/c due to AE
 - HA (15%); fatigue (10%)
 - Grade 3 AE (7%) and SAE (5%)
 - None related to Tx
- Baseline resistance
 - 8-wk Tx; n=30
 - NS5A resistance; n=19 (63%)
 - No NS5B resistance
 - 12-wk Tx; n=11
 - NS5A resistance; n=11 (100%)
 - No NS5B resistance
- Post-Tx resistance
 - NS5B; n/N = 4/12 (33%)
 - S282T (n=2)
 - L159F (n=1)
 - Double-mutant S282T + L159F (n=1)

*Breakthrough

Lawitz: Treatment Duration and RAVs



- Shorter therapies produce less-frequent treatment-emergent RAVs
- More complex RAV pattern = less likely to achieve response
- Retreatment with longer duration more likely to be successful with fewer NS5A RAVs or RAVS with smaller shifts in EC_{50}

Case 2: Follow-Up (Cont.)

- Population sequencing of the NS3A region excluded the presence of a Q80K RAV
- Patient started on a regimen of sofosbuvir + simeprevir + ribavirin
- Planned treatment duration 12 weeks

Case 2: Summary

- Importance of compliance
- PK issues of NS5A inhibitors with PPIs
- Relevance of RAV selection
- What would have been the treatment option if Q80K RAV would have been present?
- Retreatment options