

How to Manage Drug-Drug Interactions – The Practice (*A Virologist's Perspective*)

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Case History: Mr RS

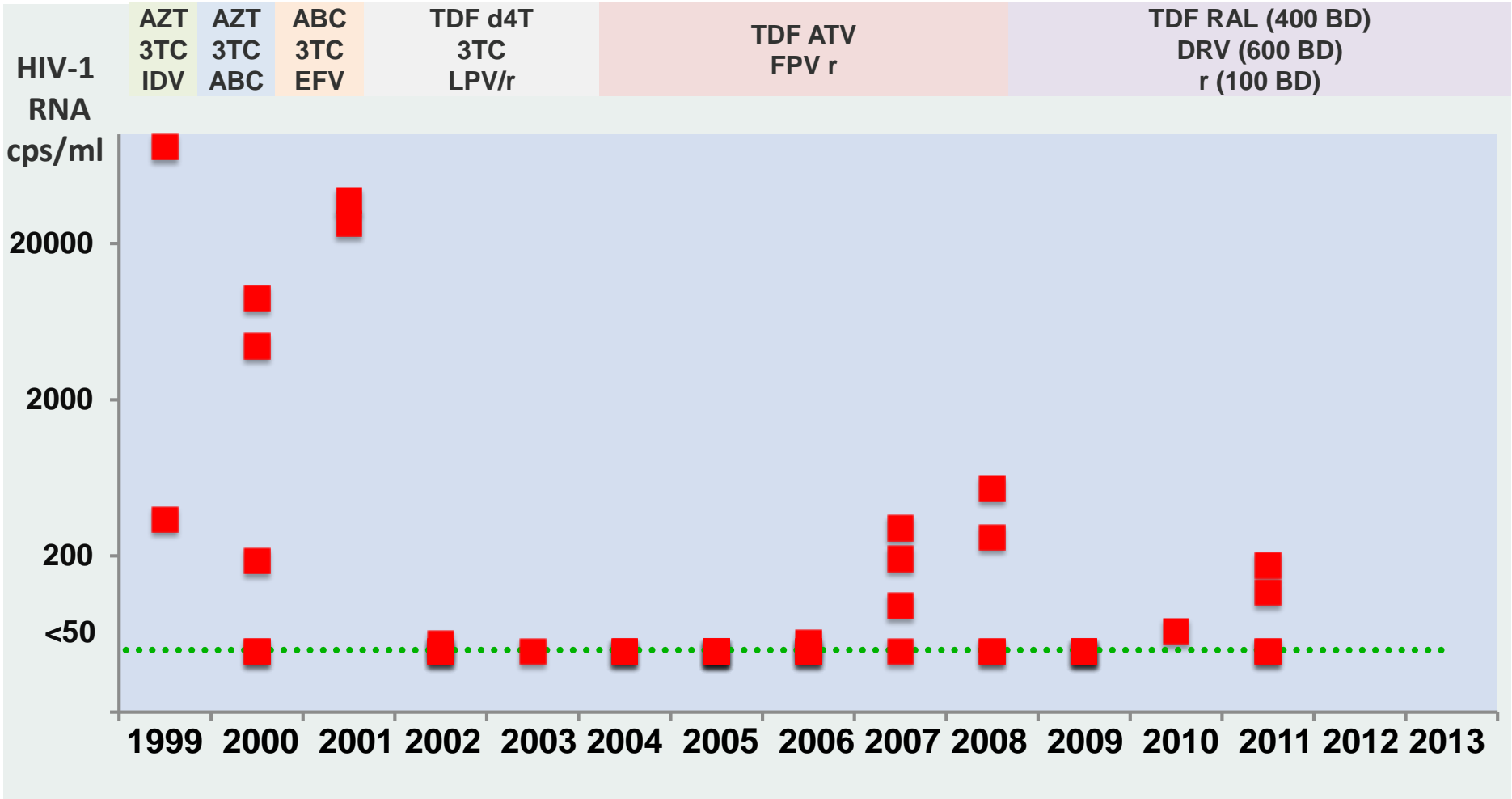
- **67-year-old male**
- **Diagnosed HIV positive in 1999**
 - *Cryptococcus meningitis*
- **Baseline CD4 count 46 cells**
- **Baseline viral load 83,000 cps**
- **Subtype C**
- **Past Hepatitis B infection**
- **Hepatitis C negative**
- **Oct 1999: AZT/3TC + IDV**

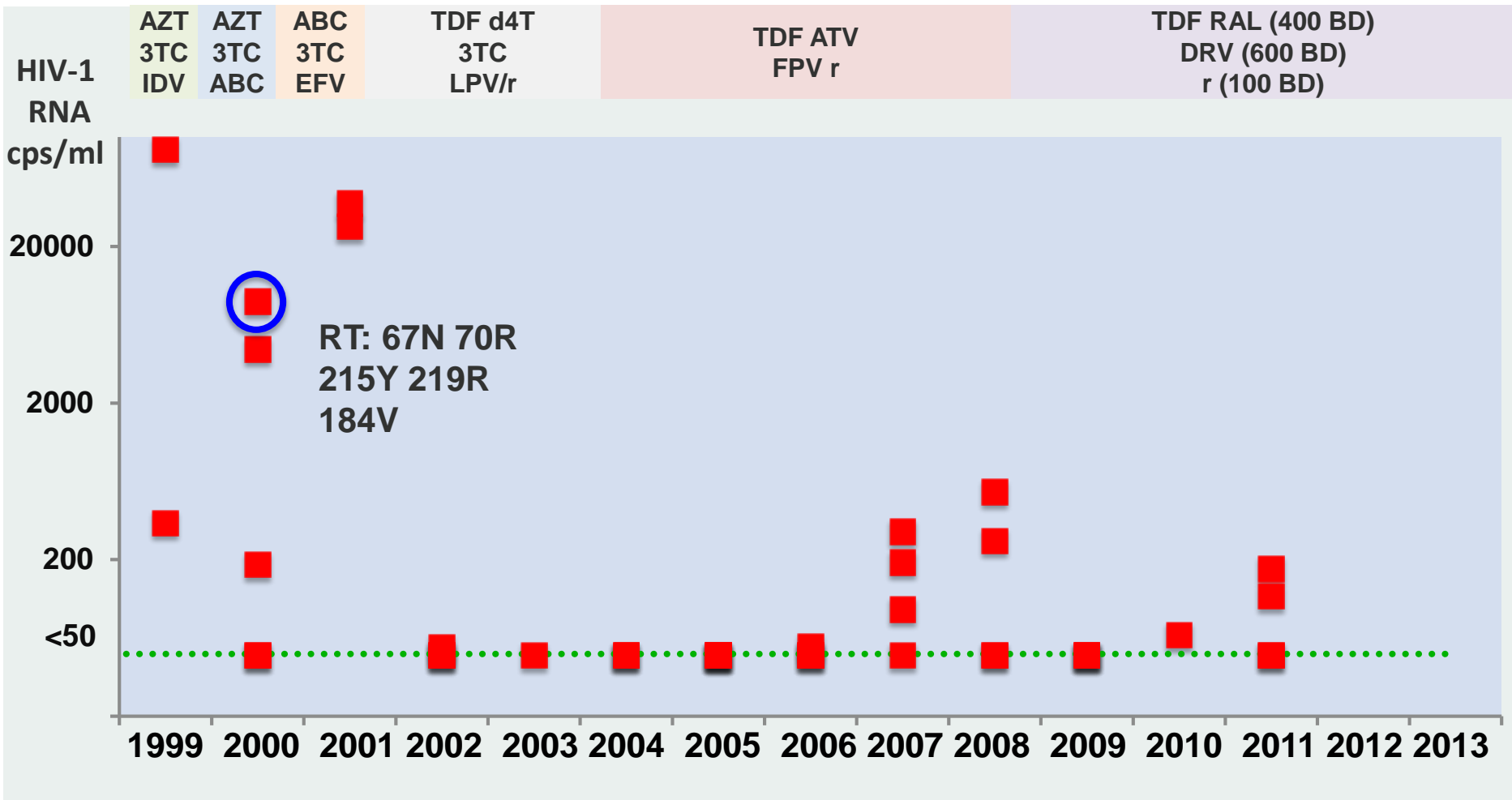
Medical and ART history

Date started	Date stopped	ART	Problem	Viral load	CD4
Oct 1999	Jan 2000	AZT/3TC IDV	↑ Transaminases LLV ₅₀₋₄₀₀	342	38
Jan 2000	Oct 2000	AZT/3TC ABC	AZT hepatotoxicity [†] Viraemia	8910	51
Oct 2000	Nov 2001	ABC/3TC EFV	Viraemia	37,600	117
Nov 2001	Jul 2004	TDF d4T 3TC LPV/r	Lipodystrophy	<50	256
Jul 2004	Jul 2008	TDF ATV FPV/r	LLV ₅₀₋₆₀₀	542	349
Jul 2008	Nov 2011	TDF RAL DRV/r	LLV ₅₀₋₂₀₀ CKD-2 c/o poor memory	<50	447

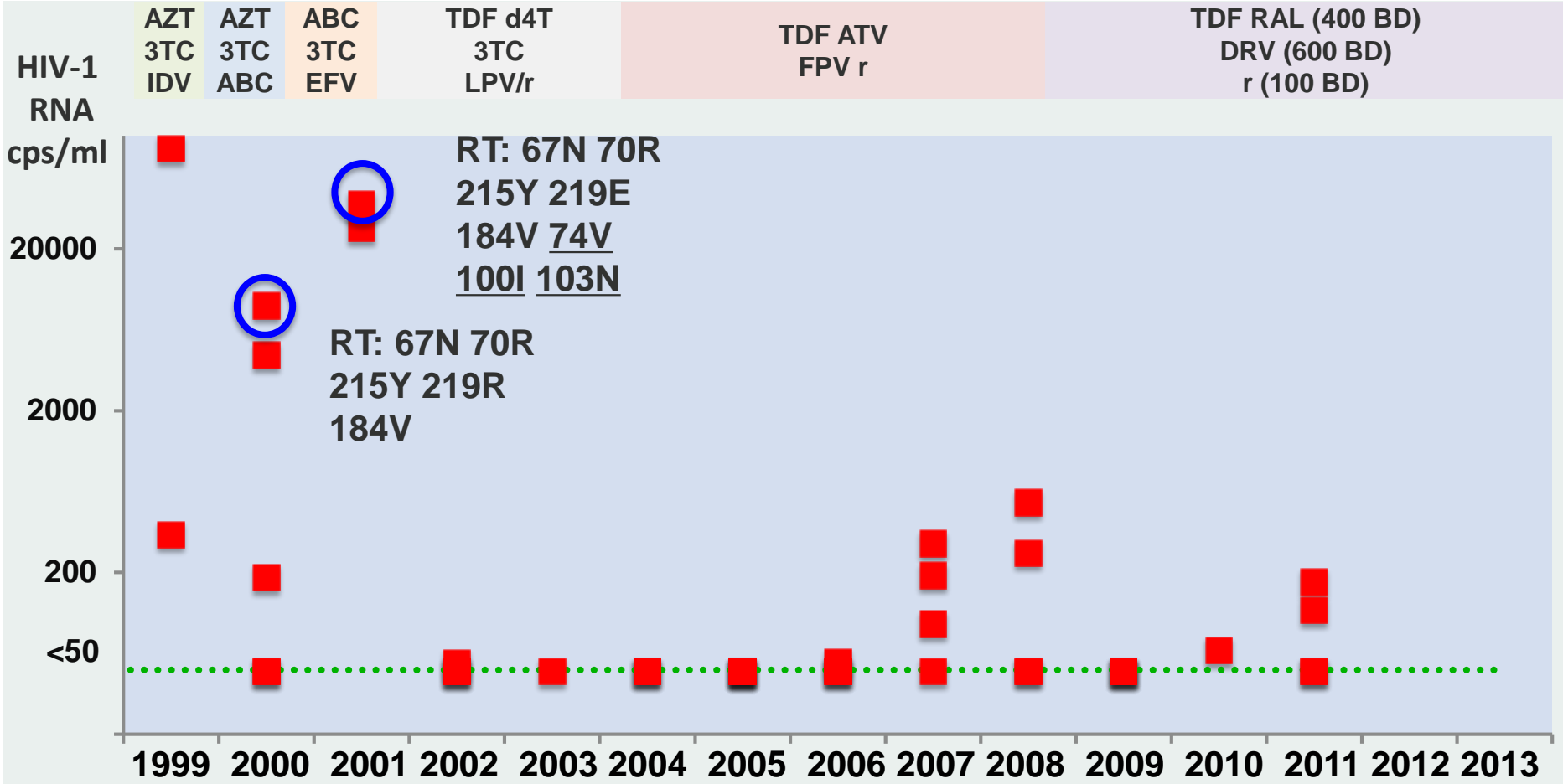
[†]liver biopsy Jul 2000: Incomplete septal cirrhosis, active portal and interface hepatitis

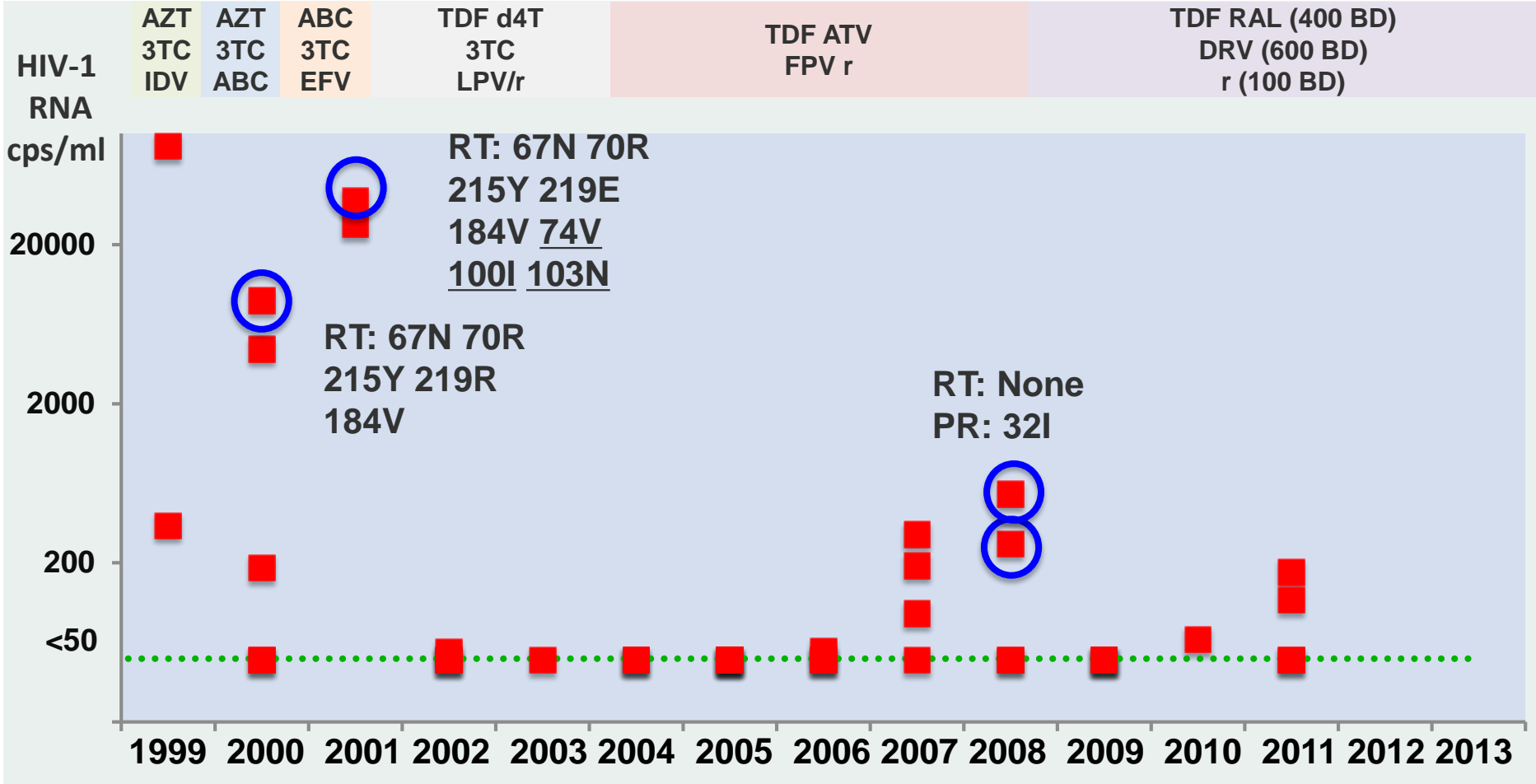
LLV= Low-level viraemia; CKD = Chronic Kydney Disease; c/o= complains of





 Resistance test





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Management options

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- 2. Request more investigations**
- 3. Change or intensify the ART regimen**
- 4. Address technical issues related to sample or test**

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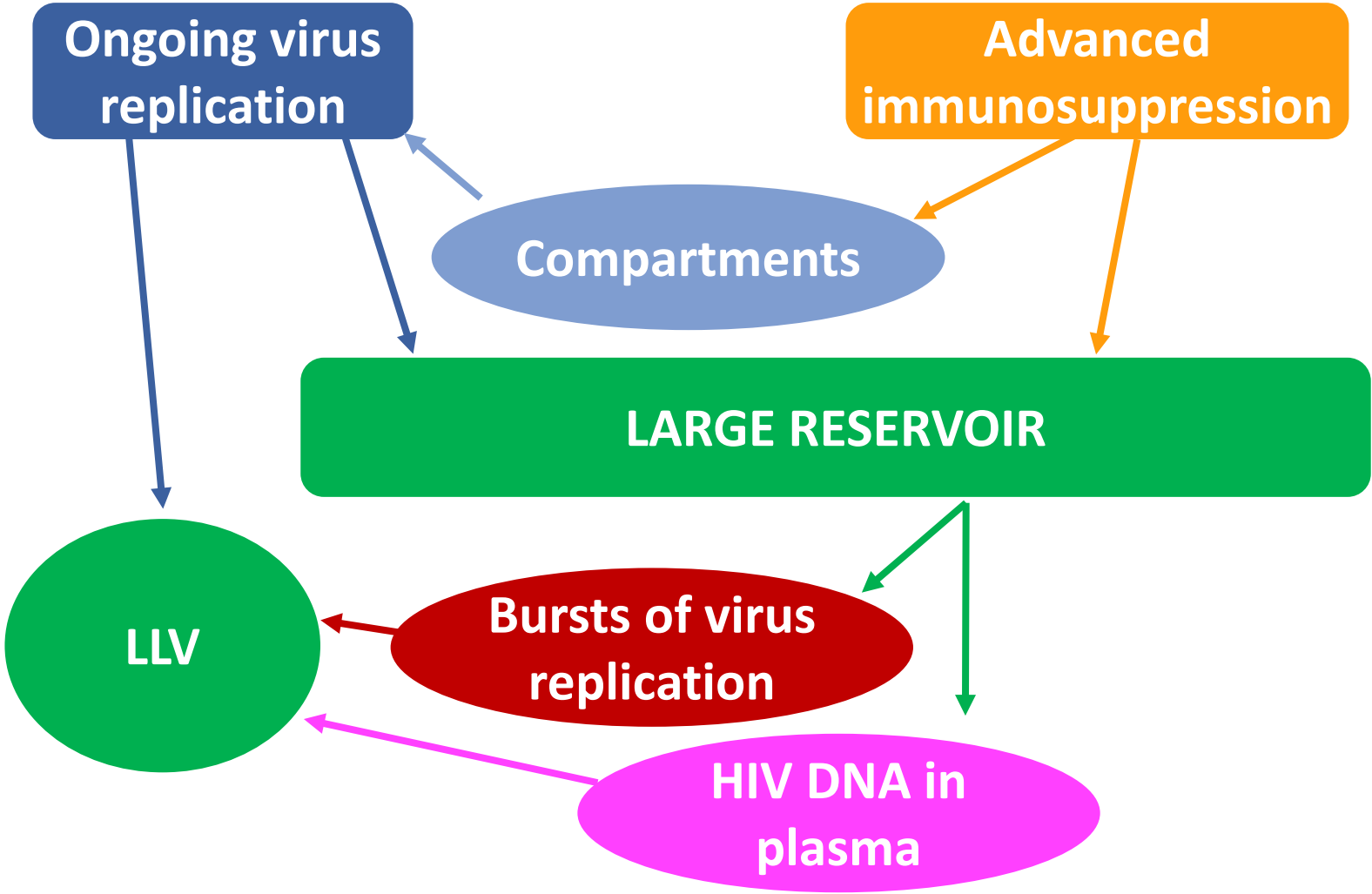
Management strategies: What to review -1

- **Adherence, tolerability, psycho-social issues**
- **Technical issues of sampling and viral load testing**
- **Expected potency of the regimen**
- **Drug-drug interactions (DDIs) and food requirements**

Management strategies: What to review -2

- Reasonable to perform a drug resistance test
- Reasonable to check drug levels
- CD4 cell count nadir and pre-ART viral load inform
 - *Size of HIV DNA reservoir which may impact on occurrence or detection of LLV*
 - *Likelihood of compartmentalised virus replication*

Relationship between HIV DNA burden and LLV

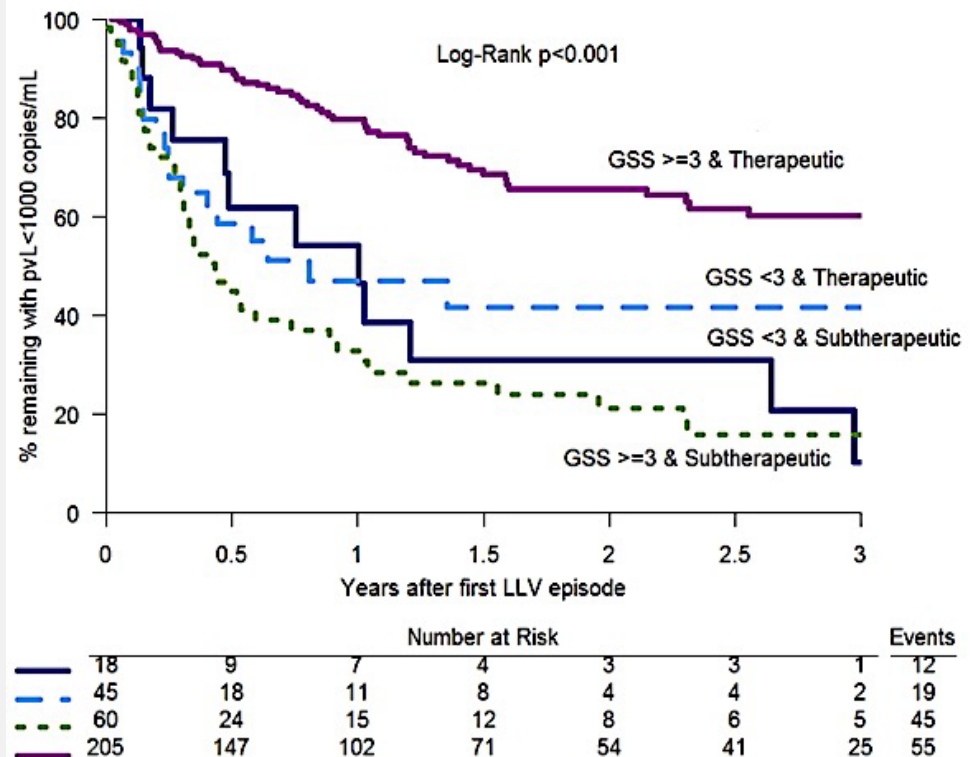


Untimed drug levels & resistance test at LLV predict viral load rebound >1000 cps

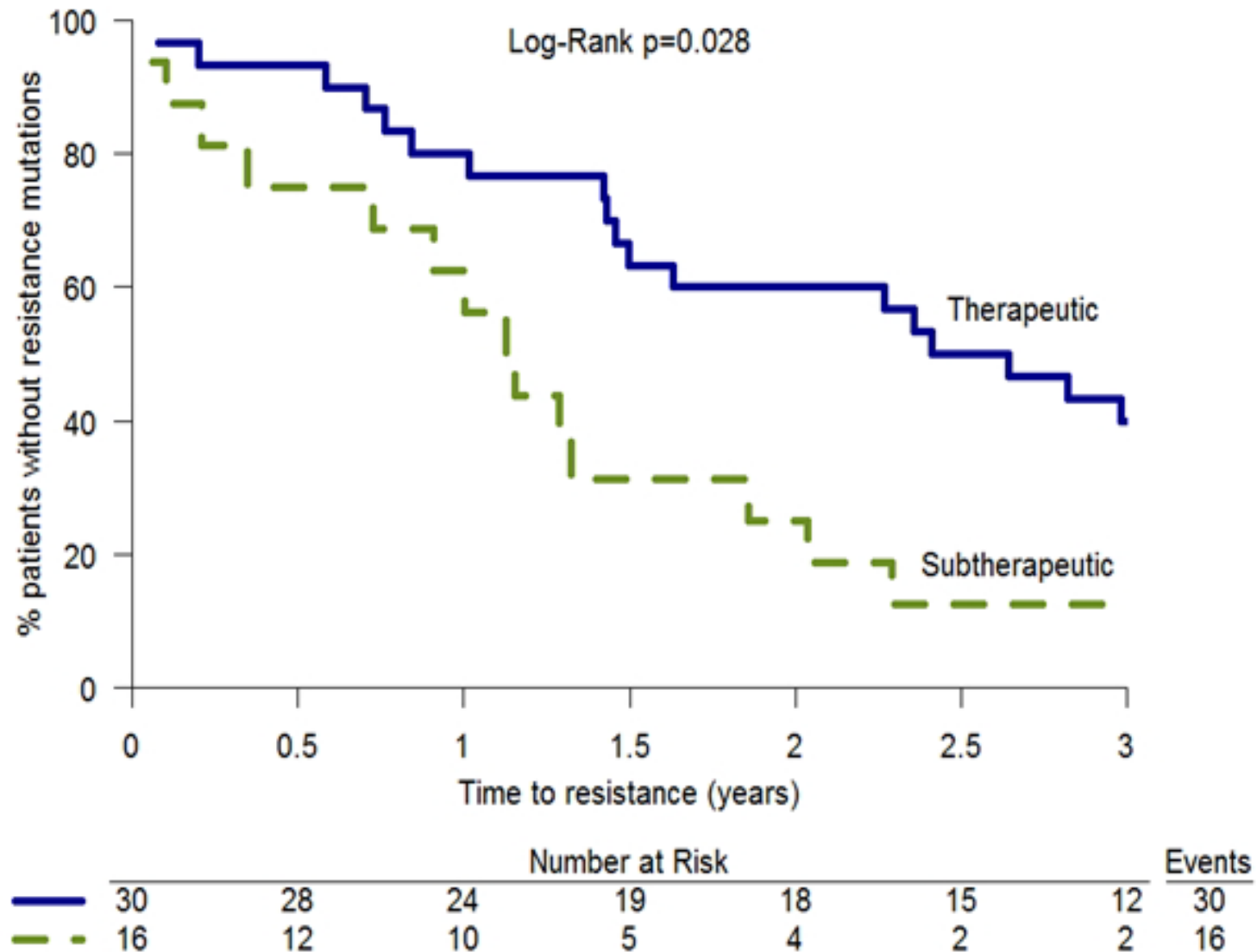
- First LLV plasma sample: PI/NNRTI concentration and resistance test (n=328)
- Concentrations classed as 'therapeutic' or 'suboptimal' based on target C_{trough}
- Genotypic sensitivity score (GSS) of regimen by Stanford algorithm

Independent predictors of VL rebound >1000 cps (adjusted OR)

- Suboptimal drug levels = **2.53**
(95% CI 1.72-3.72; p<0.001)
- GSS <3 = **1.55**
(1.02-2.34; p=0.04)
- LLV (cps):
250-499 = **2.48** (0.99-6.22)
- 500-749 = **2.36** (0.91-6.11)
- 750-999 = **3.65** (1.42-9.39)
- (p<0.001)

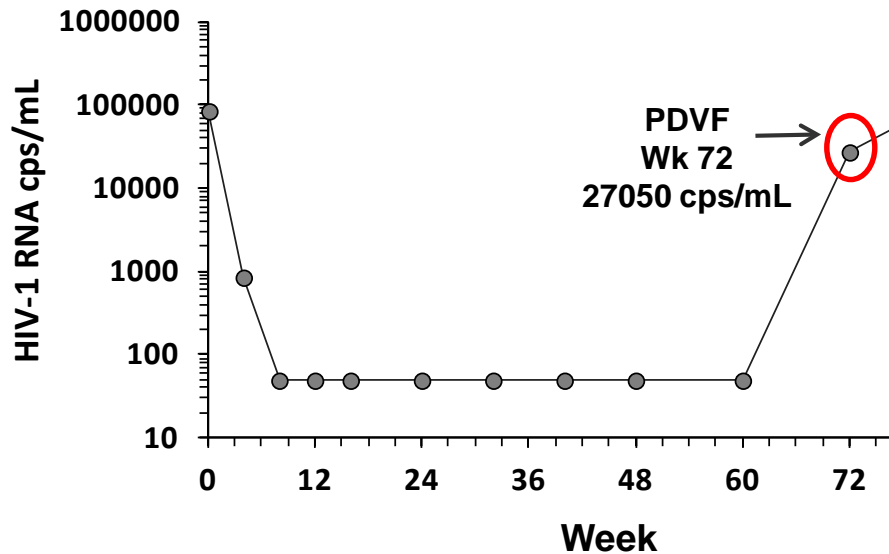


Low drug levels predict faster resistance



SAILING Study: Case History 2

- Clade C
- ART-experienced, INI-naive
- Regimen (PSS): TDF (1) + DRV/r (1) + DTG 50 mg OD



	Day 1	PDVF
HIV-1 RNA cps/ml	84313	27050
INI mutations	-	I60L, T97A , N155H
DTG FC	0.66	2.4
RAL FC	0.52	113
IN RC	NA	NA
No emergent resistance to TDF and DRV, loss of RT M184V and PR L10F, M36I, M46I, I54V, V82A		

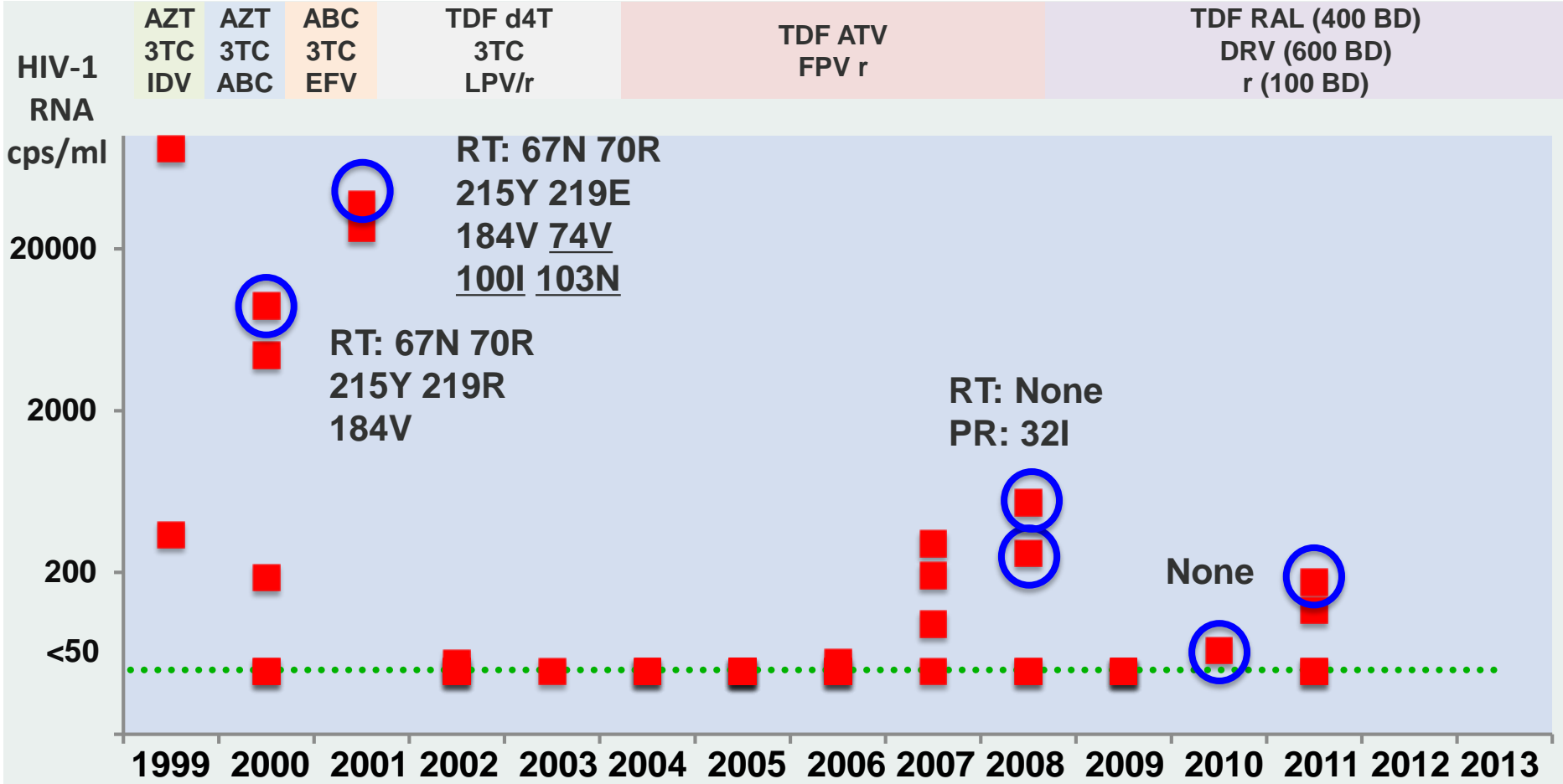
PSS = Phenotypic susceptibility score

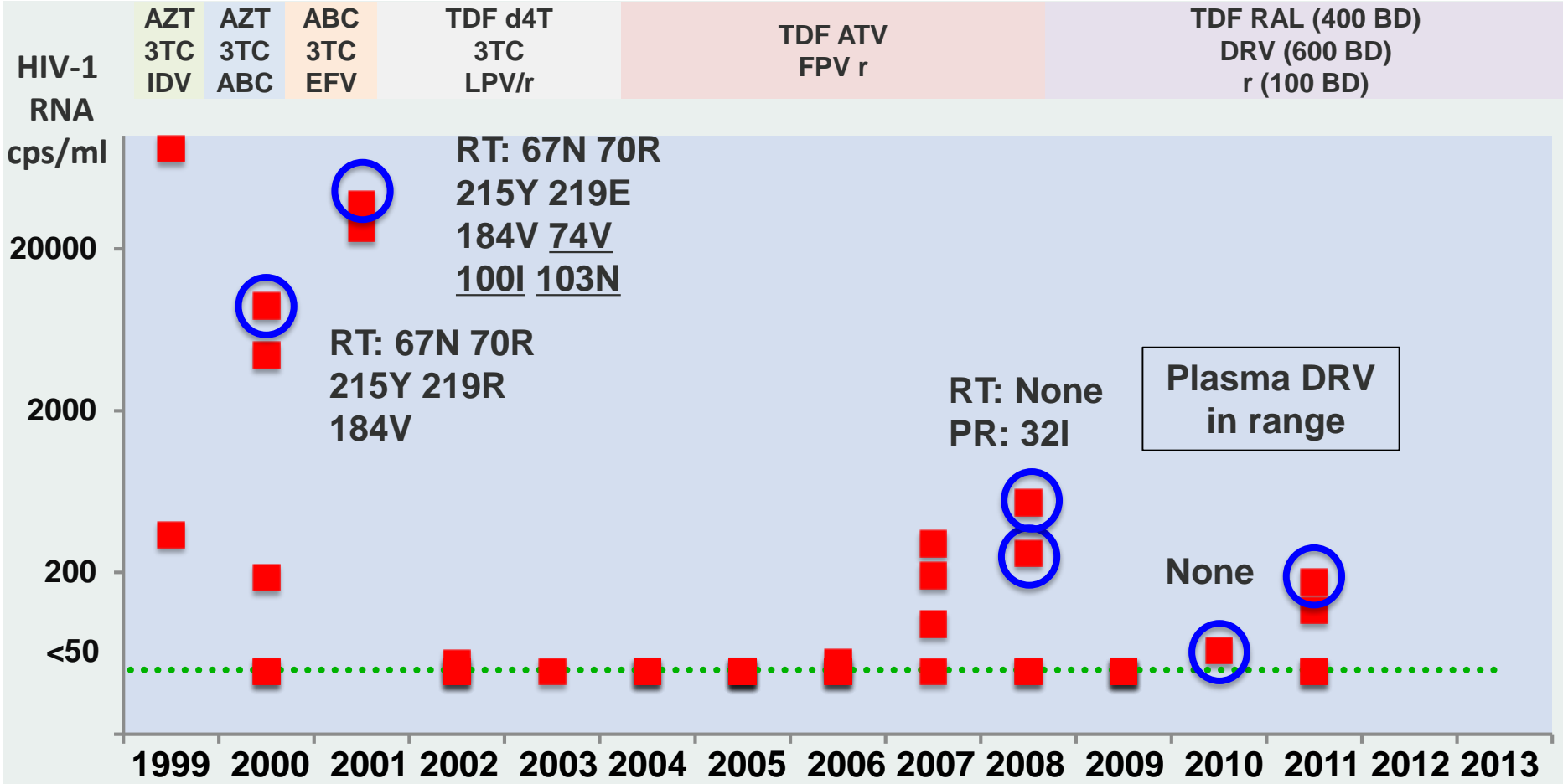
PDVF = Protocol-defined virological failure

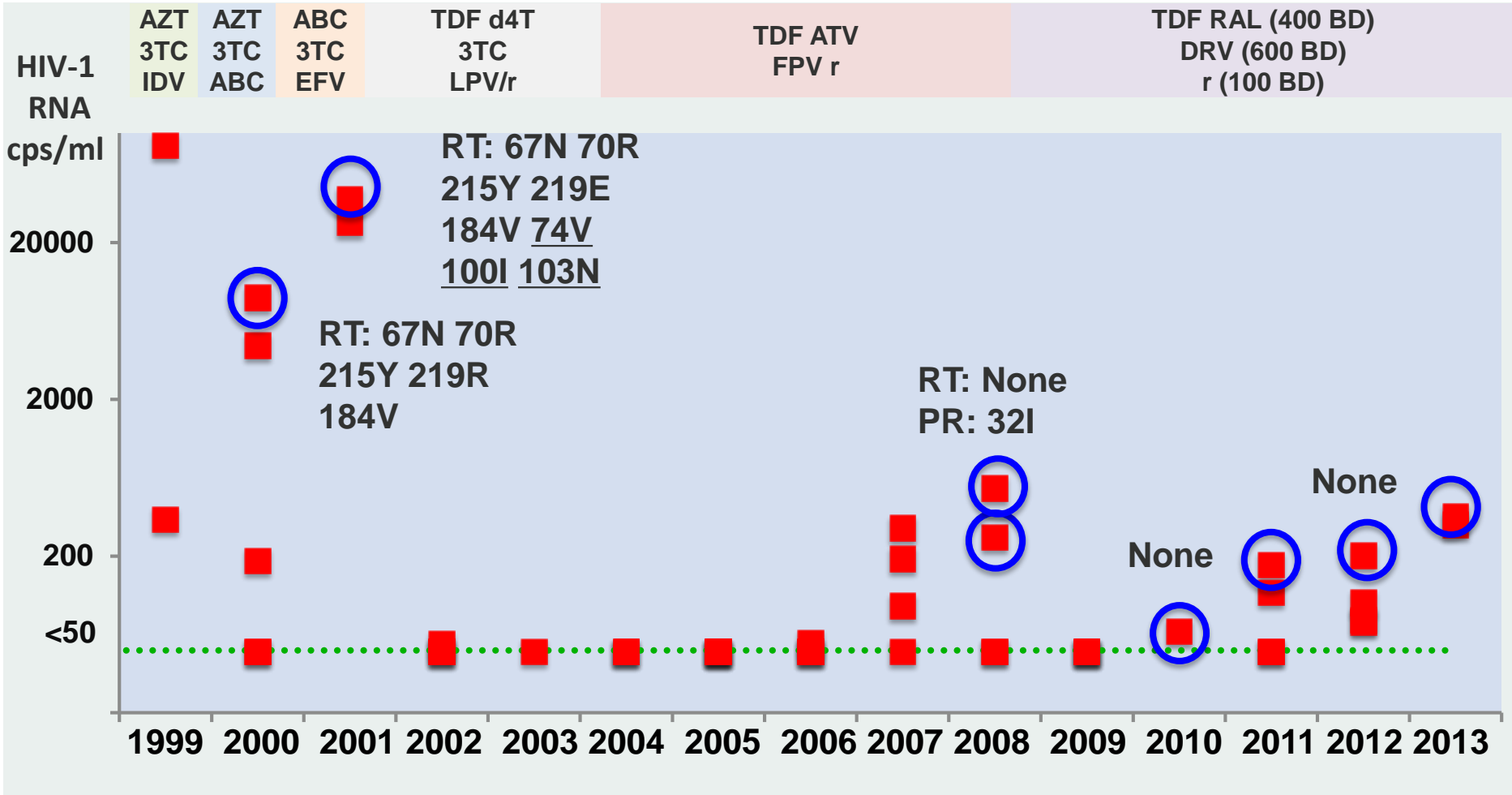
FC = Fold-change

IN = Integrase

RC = Replication capacity







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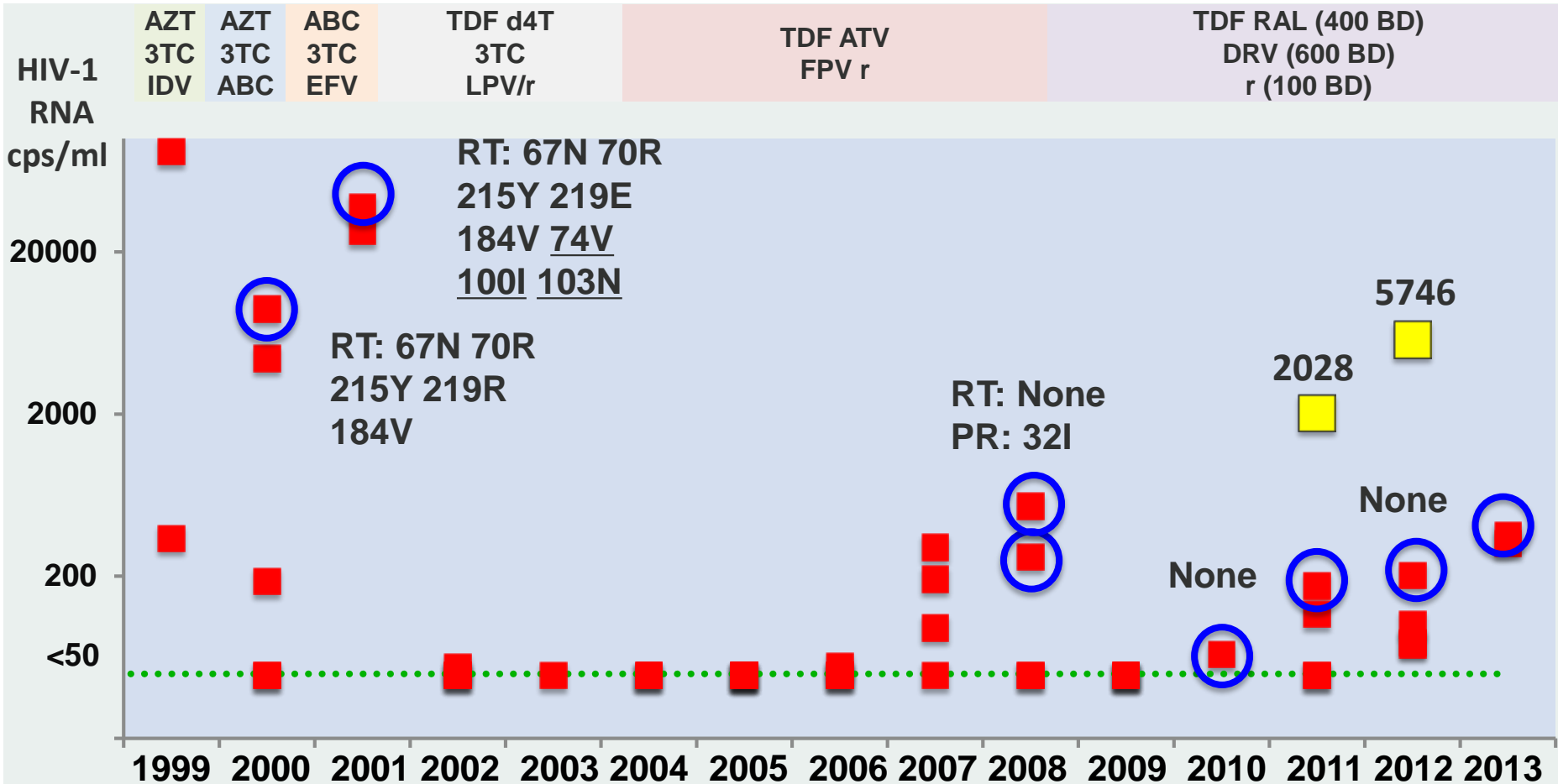
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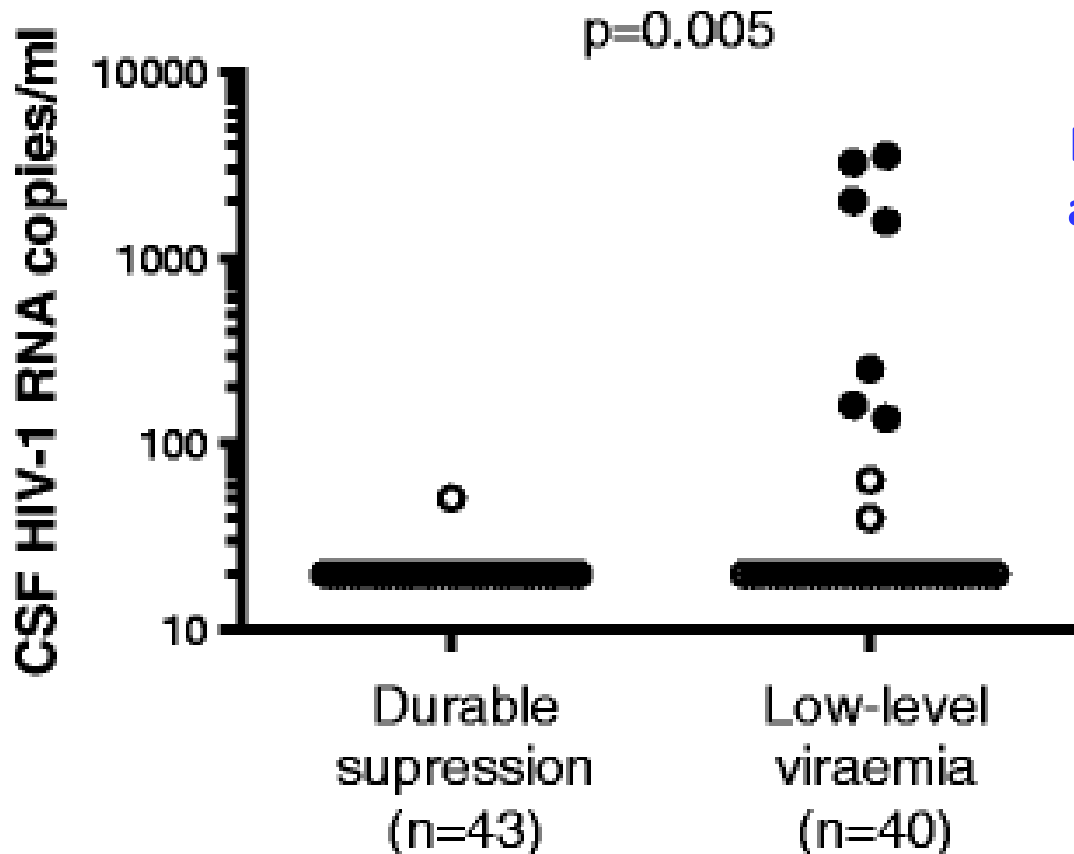
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CSF



HIV-1 RNA Detection in CSF according to LLV

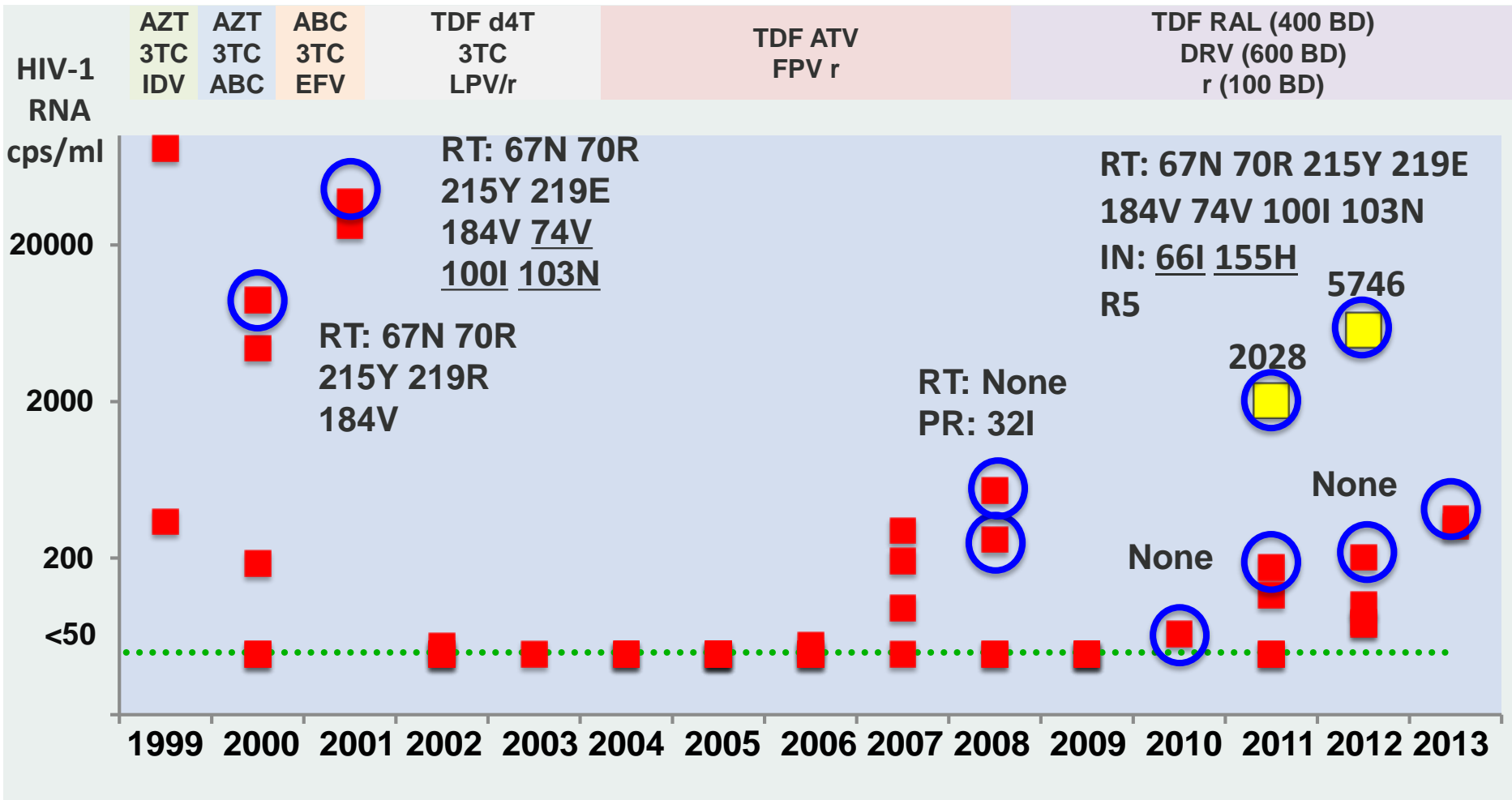
- HIV-1 RNA measured in paired plasma and CSF of 43 subjects with plasma VL <50 cps over ≥12 months of ART and in 40 subjects with a history of LLV
- HIV-1 RNA detected in CSF in 0/43 vs. 9/40 (22%) respectively



Detection of HIV-1 RNA in CSF associated with low nadir CD4 count ($p=0.030$) and black heterosexual exposure group ($p=0.007$) - not with drug concentration or CPE score

CPE= Antiretroviral CNS Penetration-Effectiveness

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Which dose of DTG?

What other considerations?

Impact of ARVs on DTG exposure

ARV	DTG C _{trough} or C ₂₄ <i>Geometric mean change</i>	Recommendation for DTG dose
Protease inhibitors		
DRV/r 600/100 mg BID	↓38%	No adjustment required
ATV 400 mg OD	↑180%	No adjustment required
ATV/r 300/100 mg OD	↑121%	No adjustment required
NNRTIs		
RPV 25 mg OD	↑22%	No adjustment required
EFV 600 mg OD	↓75%	50 mg BID [‡]
ETR 200 mg BD	↓88%	Not to be given without ATV/r, DRV/r, or LPV/r
NRTIs		
TDF 300 mg OD	↓8%	No adjustment required

[‡]INI-naive patients; alternative combinations should be considered where possible for INI-experienced patients

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Interaction Report

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Antiretroviral Treatment**Co-medications**

Dolutegravir
Emtricitabine/TAF
Etravirine

Ritonavir

Potential interaction - may require close monitoring, alteration of drug dose or timing of administration (AMBER)

ETR MVC = MVC ↓ (600 / 150 mg bd without / with PI/b)

RTV MVC = MVC ↑ (150mg bd)

RTV DTG = potentially DTG ↓

ETR DTG = DTG ↓

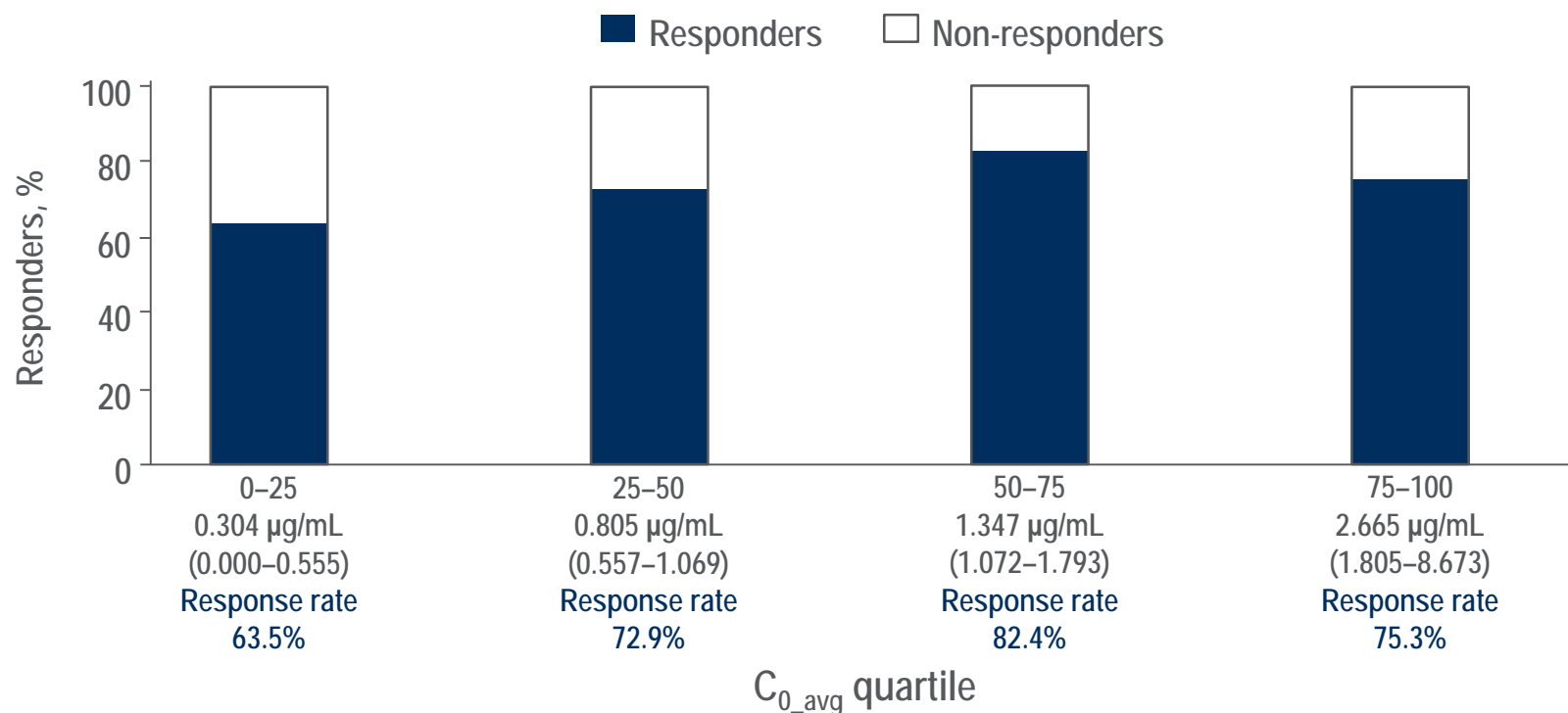
Pharmacology of integrase inhibitors

	DTG	EVG	RAL
Dose	50mg od to 100mg bd	150mg od (+ cobicistat)	400mg bd
Dose-exposure	Proportional	Less than proportional	Nearly proportional
Half-life	11-12h	9h	9h
Protein binding	>99%	99%	76-83%
Metabolism	UGT1A1 (CYP3A 10-15%)	CYP3A / UGT1A1/3	UGT1A1
Take with food?	Yes if increased exposure desirable AUC increases with low (↑33%), moderate (↑41%), and high (↑33%) fat meals	Yes AUC increases with low (↑36%), and high (↑91%) fat meals	Not required High fat meals double AUC, food increases PK variability

- Protein binding-adjusted IC_{90}/IC_{95} values in the low ng/ml range
- High inhibitory quotient: DTG > EVG > RAL
- PK variability RAL > EVG > DTG (low to moderate for DTG)
- Hepatic metabolism: RAL and DTG minimal CYP450 involvement; EVG primarily through CYP3A4; EVG/c greater DDI potential

SAILING Study: Responses by DTG concentration

SAILING: Phase III study in ART-experienced, INI-naïve subjects



The average plasma concentration of DTG was a significant predictor of virological response: subjects in the lowest quartile had a lower response

Special groups

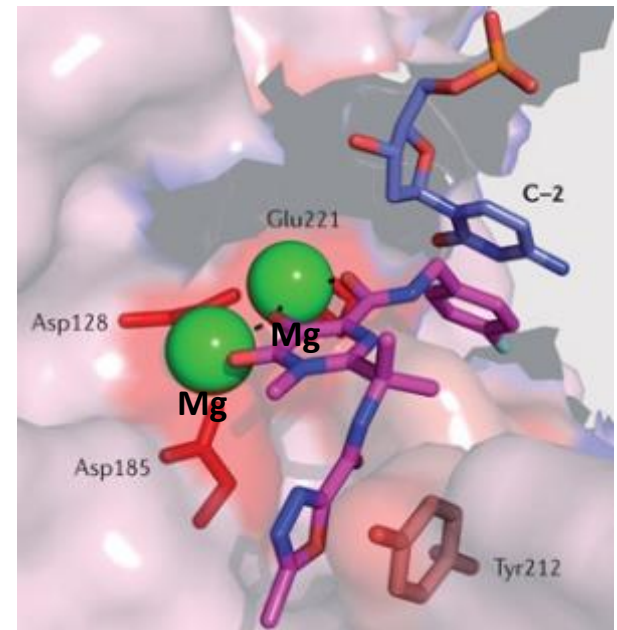
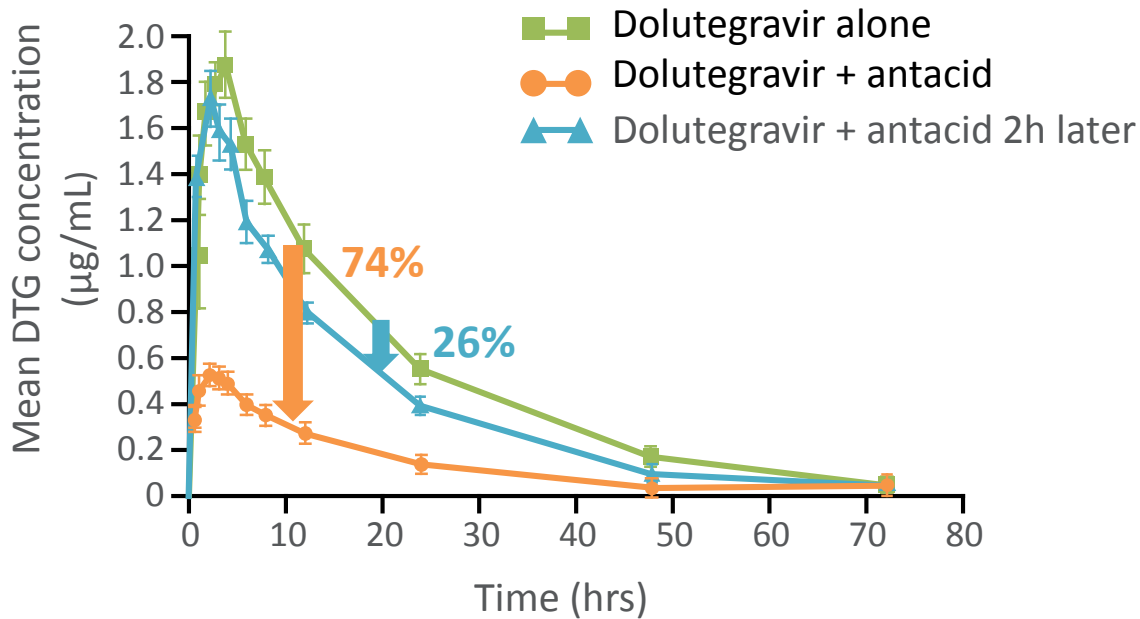
	DTG	EVG	RAL
Swallowing	Granule being developed (↑ bioavailability)	Cannot be chewed or crushed	Chewable tablets, granules (↑ bioavailability)
Children	12 years	12 years	4 weeks
Pregnancy	No data FDA Cat B	Limited data FDA Cat B	Some data FDA Cat C
Renal impairment	No adjustment – DTG exposure reduced in severe renal disease	FDC with TDF >70 FDC with TAF >30	No adjustment
Cirrhosis CP-A	No adjustment	No adjustment	No adjustment
CP C	Caution	Not recommended	Caution

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Cations	Al/Mg/Ca/Fe Multivitamins Separate -6h or +2h	Al/Mg \pm 2h Multivitamins \pm 4h	Al/Mg contraindicated Ca not clinically meaningful
Gastric pH	No significant interaction	No significant interaction	RAL absorption with OMP (\uparrow 39%) / FAM (\uparrow 45%) - No adjustment needed

- Absorption reduced by divalent/trivalent cations (e.g., multivitamins, antacids)

INI chelation with cations



Co-administered drug	DTG C_{trough} or C_{24} geometric mean change	Recommendation
Antacids and supplements		
Mg/Al containing antacid	AUC ↓ 74%	Take a minimum of 2 hrs after or 6 hrs before DTG
Ca supplements	↓ 39%	
Fe supplements	↓ 56%	
Multivitamins	↓ 32%	
Acid-lowering agents		
Omeprazole	↓ 5%	No action required

Other DTG interactions

Commonly used medications	Interactions
Oral contraceptives	No dose adjustment necessary
H ₂ -receptor antagonists (e.g., ranitidine, cimetidine)	No dose adjustment necessary
Prednisone, Methadone, Rifabutin	No dose adjustment necessary
Metformin	Limit Met to 1000 mg total daily dose. When stopping DTG, Met dose may require adjustment. Monitor blood glucose when initiating concomitant use and after withdrawal of DTG
Carbamazepine, rifampicin, EFV, NVP, TPV/r	DTG 50 mg BID. Avoid if INI resistance

Note: Co-administration of dofetilide and dolutegravir is contraindicated.^{1,2}

1. TIVICAY Summary of Product Characteristics. September 2015

2. TRIUMEQ Summary of Product Characteristics. September 2015

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Management decision

DRV/b + DTG 100mg bid + MVC 150 bid

Monitor and consider TAF/FTC

Take with food

**Counsel about concomitant meds
(by GP or over the counter)**

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