

“It is a Time to Switch”

Switching A New Backbone for Aging  
Patients and Those with Comorbidities

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## Outlines

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- General information: Tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) vs. Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF)
- Switching to TAF in HIV aging population
- Switching to TAF in PLWH with comorbidities

# General Information

## TAF vs. TDF



## The recommended initial combined 3-drug ART for adults

DHHS (2021)		EACS (2020)		WHO (2021)		Thai (2020/2021)	
Backbone	3 <sup>rd</sup> drug	Backbone	3 <sup>rd</sup> drug	Backbone	3 <sup>rd</sup> drug	Backbone	3 <sup>rd</sup> drug
TDF/3TC	DTG	TDF/3TC	DTG	TDF/3TC	DTG	TDF/3TC	DTG
TDF/FTC	BIC	TDF/FTC	BIC	TDF/FTC		TDF/FTC	
TAF/3TC		TAF/FTC	RAL			TAF/3TC	
TAF/FTC		ABC/3TC*				TAF/FTC	
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\* Used with DTG in a single-tablet regimen

TAF vs. TDF

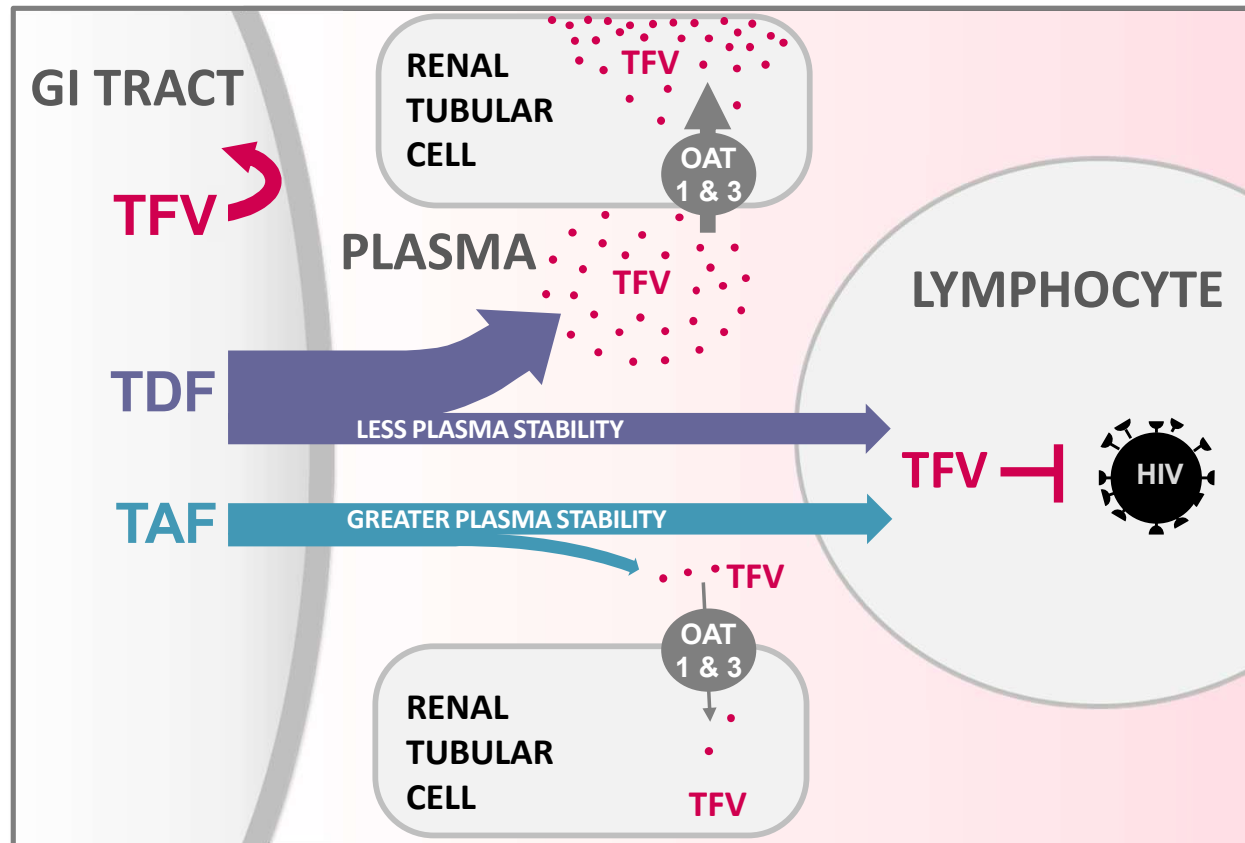
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## Tenofovir Alafenamide (TAF) – A Novel Prodrug of Tenofovir



**TAF results in 80-90% lower TFV plasma levels compared to TDF**

OAT, organic anion transporter; TAF, tenofovir alafenamide; TDF, tenofovir disoproxil fumarate; TFV, tenofovir.

1. Sax P, et al. Lancet 2015;385:2606-15. 2. Ruane P, et al. J Acquir Immune Defic Syndr 2013;63:449-5. 3. Data on file

## TDF and TAF based combination regimens: Tablet dimensions

### FTC/TDF-based

#### **E/C/F/TDF**

elvitegravir 150 mg /cobicistat 150 mg  
/emtricitabine 200 mg /tenofovir  
disoproxil fumarate 300 mg  
**20.0 mm x 10.0 mm**  
~1400 mg



#### **RPV/FTC/TDF**

rilpivirine 25 mg /emtricitabine 200 mg  
/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 300 mg  
**19.0 mm x 8.5 mm**  
~1200 mg



#### **FTC/TDF**

emtricitabine 200 mg /tenofovir  
disoproxil fumarate 300 mg  
**19.0 mm x 8.5 mm**  
~1000 mg



#### **EFV/FTC/TDF**

efavirenz 600 mg /emtricitabine 200 mg  
/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 300 mg  
**20 mm x 10.4 mm**  
~1600 mg



### FTC/TAF-based

#### **E/C/F/TAF**

elvitegravir 150 mg /cobicistat 150 mg  
/emtricitabine 200 mg /tenofovir  
alafenamide 10 mg  
**19.0 mm x 8.5 mm**  
~1100 mg



#### **RPV/FTC/TAF**

rilpivirine 25 mg /emtricitabine 200 mg  
/tenofovir alafenamide 25 mg  
**15.4 mm x 7.3 mm**  
~700 mg



#### **FTC/TAF**

emtricitabine 200 mg /tenofovir  
alafenamide 25 mg  
**12.5 mm x 6 mm**  
~225 mg



#### **B/F/TAF**

bictegravir 50 mg/ emtricitabine 200 mg/  
tenofovir alafenamide 25 mg  
**15 mm x 8 mm**  
~721 mg

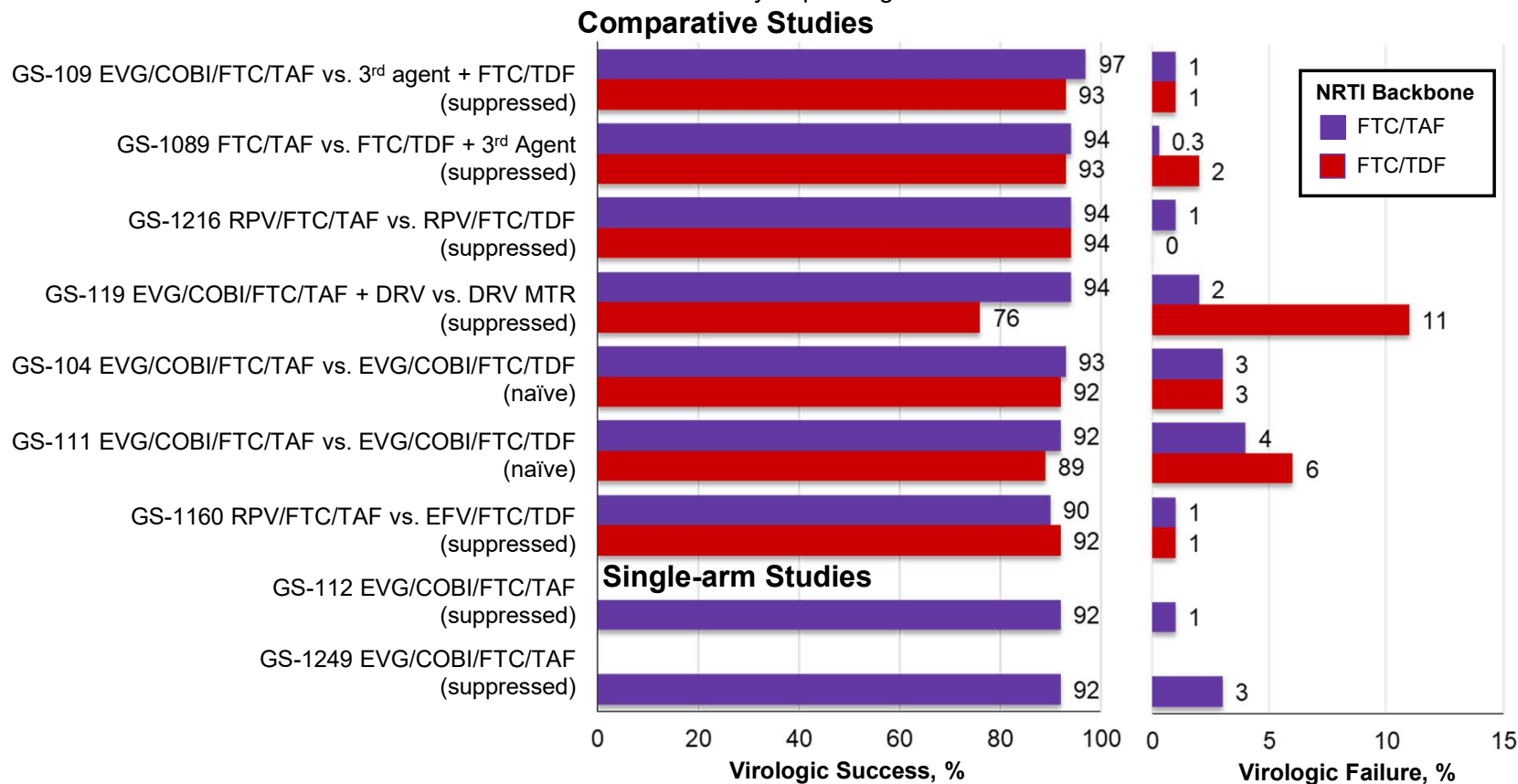


Tablet size is not intended to compare clinical efficacy and safety, indications, dosing regimens, or treatment adherence.

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# Virological Outcomes for TAF Portfolio at Week 48\* by FDA Snapshot Analysis

Not all regimens have been compared head-to-head in a clinical trial.  
Inclusion/exclusion criteria vary depending on the clinical trial.



MTR – multi-tablet regimen  
See slide notes for references

\* Week 48 was the primary endpoint for the studies depicted, except for Studies 112, 119, and 1249 which had Week 24 primary endpoints.



## Resistance Summary for TAF Portfolio at Week 48

Study Type	Studies	Resistance	RAMs		
			NRTI	NNRTI	INSTI
MDR	E/C/F/TAF 119 (n=89)	0%	-	-	-
Virologically Suppressed (n=2,360)	E/C/F/TAF 109, 112, 1249 (n=1,273)	0.1% (n=1)	0.1% (n=1; M184V)	-	-
	FTC/TAF 1089 (n=333)	0.3% (n=1)	0.3% (n=1; M184V)	-	-
	RPV/FTC/TAF 1160, 1216 (n=754)	0%	-	-	-
Naïve	E/C/F/TAF 104 & 111 (n=866)	0.8% (n=7)	0.8% (n=7)	-	0.6% (n=5)

- No resistance was detected in study of multi-drug resistant population
- Rare resistance emergence observed in virologically suppressed studies (0-0.3%)
  - 2 cases of M184V and no INSTI resistance
- In ART-naïve studies, rare resistance emergence observed (<1%)

MDR – multi-drug resistance; RAMs – resistance-associated mutations

Abram M, et al. CROI 2016. Boston, MA. Poster #496  
Gallant J, et al. Lancet HIV 2016;3(4):e158-65

## Common Adverse Drug Reactions (ADR) at Week 48 of TAF-based Products

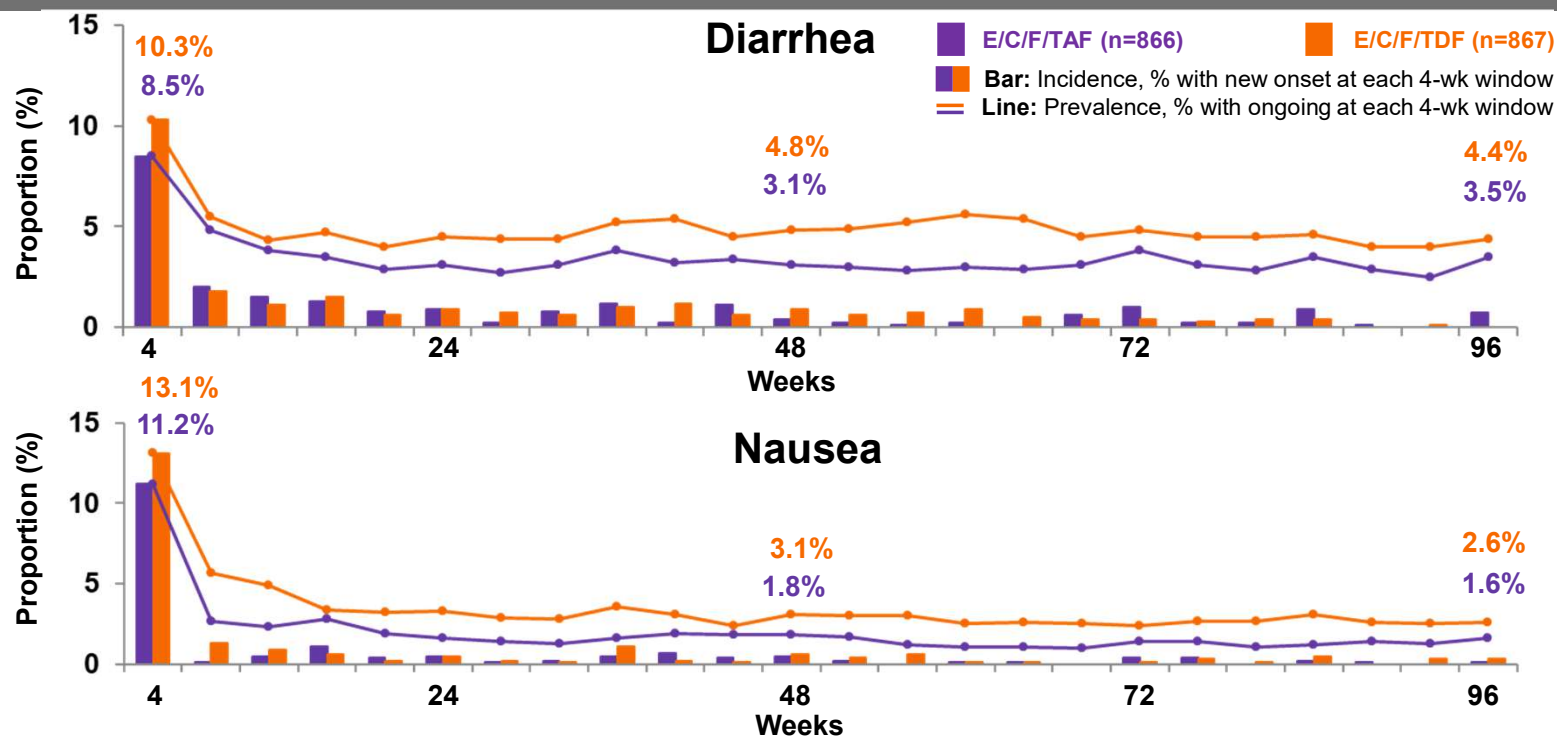
ADR Source: Grades & Prevalence:	USPI <sup>1-3</sup> Grades 1-4 or 2-4	Clinical Trials <sup>4*</sup> Grades 1-4
F/TAF		<b><u>1089 vs F/TDF (≥1%)</u></b> Nausea and diarrhea (1%)
E/C/F/TAF	<b><u>Grades 1-4 in ≥10%</u></b> nausea (10%)	<b><u>109 vs 3<sup>rd</sup> agent + F/TDF (≥2%)</u></b> diarrhea (3%), nausea (2%)  <b><u>104/111 vs E/C/F/TDF (≥5%)</u></b> nausea (10%), diarrhea (7%), headache (6%)
R/F/TAF	<b><u>Grades 2-4 in ≥2% (RPV component)</u></b> depressive disorders (5%) insomnia (3%) headache (3%)	<b><u>1160 vs EFV/FTC/TDF (≥1%)</u></b> headache (2%), flatulence (1%), insomnia (1%)  <b><u>1216 vs RPV/FTC/TDF (≥1%)</u></b> None

\* Only Studies 104 and 111 were in ART-naïve subjects. All other studies were of virologically suppressed subjects.

1. Genvoya US Prescribing Information, Gilead Sciences, Inc. April 2017
2. Odefsey US Prescribing Information, Gilead Sciences, Inc. April 2017
3. Descovy US Prescribing Information, Gilead Sciences, Inc. April 2017
4. Data on file. Gilead Sciences.

## Incidence and Prevalence of Diarrhea and Nausea

Studies 104 and 111: ART-naïve Adults



The majority of diarrhea (78%) or nausea (85%) occurred within the first 4 weeks and were mostly Grade 1 on E/C/F/TAF

There were no discontinuations in the E/C/F/TAF arm for either diarrhea or nausea

Studies 104 and 111: ART-Naïve Adults, Week 144 Combined Analysis

## Week 144 Safety Summary\*

Participants, n (%)	E/C/F/TAF n=866	E/C/F/TDF n=867	p-value†
<b>Any Adverse Event (AE)</b>	<b>817 (94.3)</b>	<b>833 (96.1)</b>	—
Grade 3 or 4 AE	140 (16.2)	137 (15.8)	—
Serious AE	121 (14.0)	124 (14.3)	—
Death	4 (0.5)**	5 (0.6)‡	—
<b>AE-related discontinuations</b>	<b>11 (1.3)</b>	<b>29 (3.3)</b>	<b>0.01</b>

\* Safety analysis set included all participants who received ≥1 dose

† Calculated using Fisher's exact test to compare treatment groups

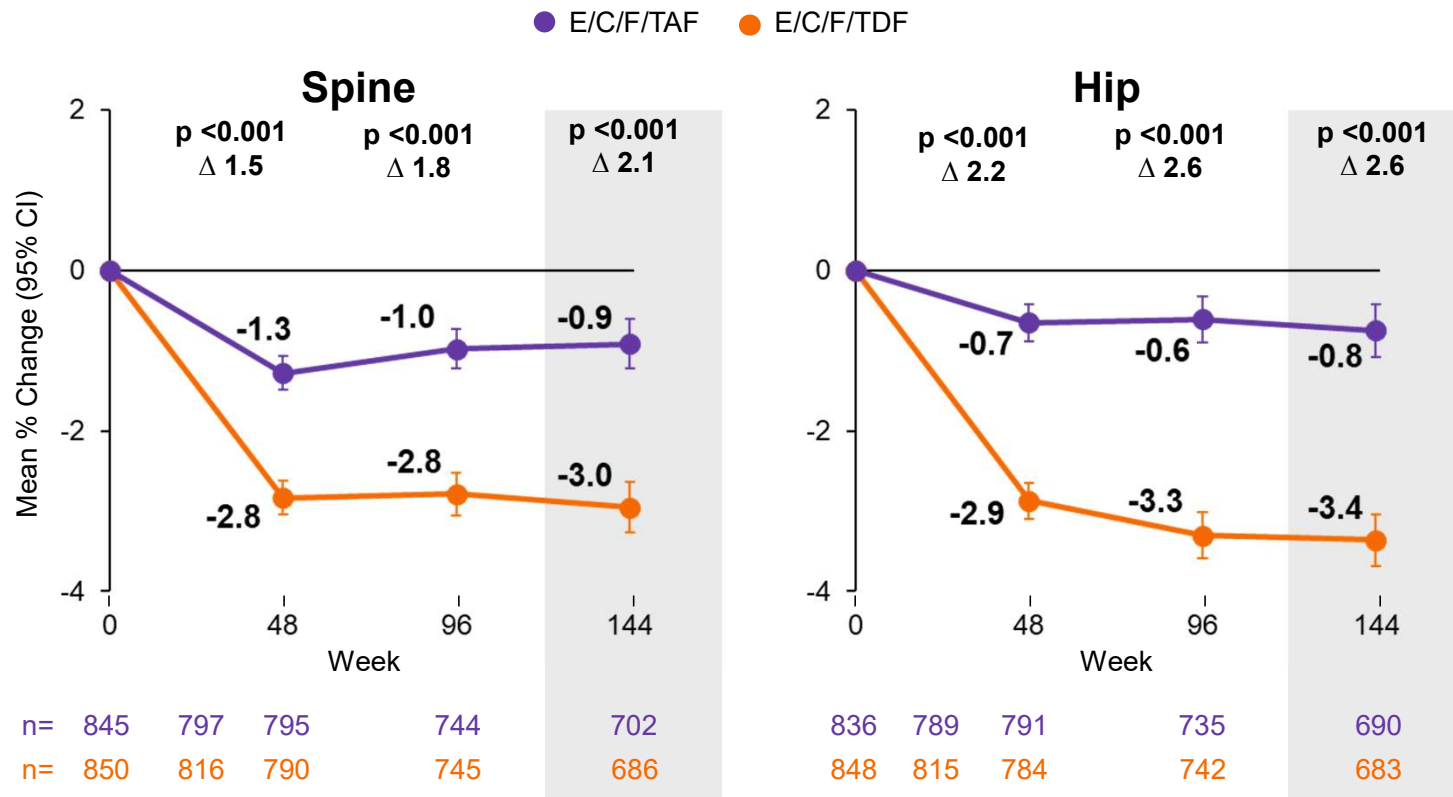
\*\* Stroke (n=2), alcohol intoxication (n=1), suicide (n=1)

‡ Alcohol and drug intoxication (n=1), myocardial infarction (n=2), cardiac arrest (n=1), unknown (n=1)

**AEs leading to discontinuations were significantly less on E/C/F/TAF compared to E/C/F/TDF at Week 144**

Studies 104 and 111: ART-Naïve Adults, Week 144 Combined Analysis

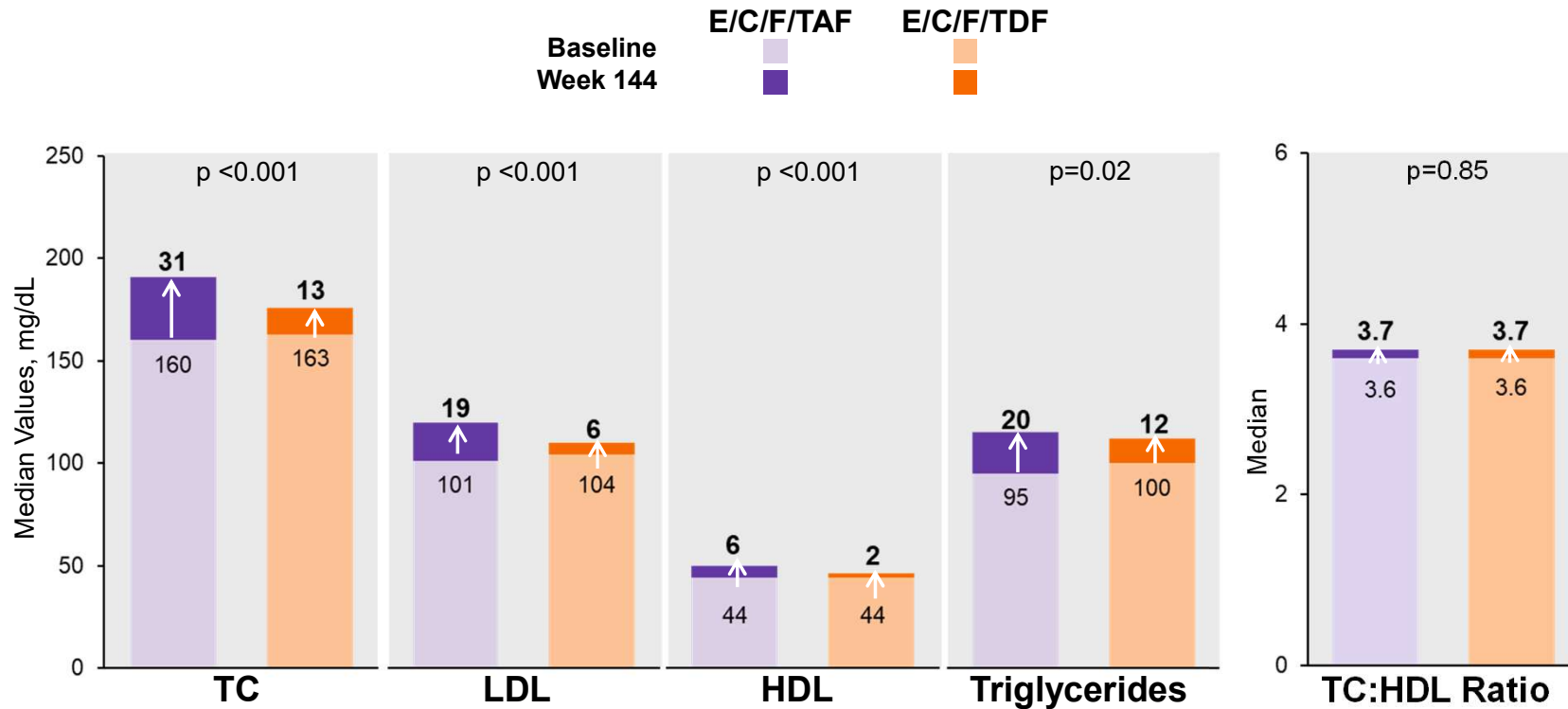
## Results: Change in Spine and Hip BMD through Week 144



Through Week 144, significantly greater losses in spine and hip BMD in TDF group

Studies 104 and 111: ART-Naïve Adults, Week 144 Combined Analysis

## Fasting Lipids through Week 144\*



- Participants on E/C/F/TAF had greater increases in TC, LDL, HDL, and TG than those on E/C/F/TDF
- No difference in TC:HDL ratio

## Weight Gain Following Initiation of Antiretroviral Therapy: Risk Factors in 8 Randomized Comparative Clinical Trials

Variable	OR	(95% CI)	PValue
CD4 count (<200 vs ≥200 cells/all)	4.36	(3.6–5.27)	<.001
HIV RNA (>100K vs ≤100K copies/mL)	1.98	(1.65–2.37)	<.001
<b>BMI</b>			
Normal vs overweight	1.54	(1.27–1.87)	<.001
Normal vs obese	1.66	(1.29–2.15)	<.001
Sex (female vs male)	1.54	(1.21–1.96)	<.001
Race (black vs non-black)	1.32	(1.10–1.59)	.003
<b>Third ART agent</b>			
BIC/DTG vs EFV	1.82	(1.24–2.66)	.002
EVG/c vs EFV	1.36	(1.04–1.78)	.026
RPV vs EFV	1.51	(1.03–2.20)	.035
ATV/r vs EFV	0.92	(.59–1.45)	.73
<b>NRTI</b>			
TAF vs ZDV	1.75	(1.04–2.95)	.034
TDF vs ZDV	1.19	(.76–1.87)	.44
ABC vs ZDV	0.93	(.47–1.8)	.82
TAF vs ABC	1.9	(1.25–2.88)	.003
TDF vs ABC	1.29	(.79–2.11)	.31
TAF vs TDF	1.47	(1.14–1.90)	.003

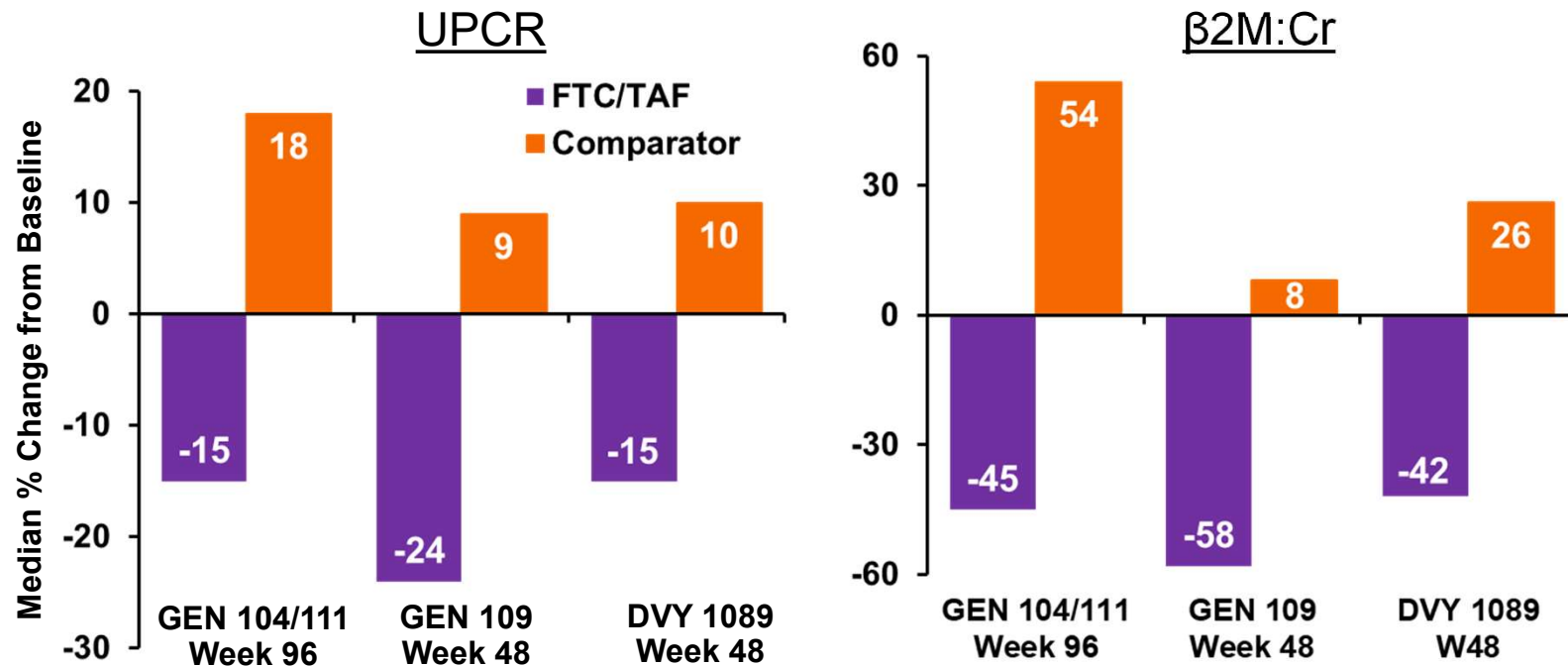
**TAF was associated with ≥ 10% weight gain compared to TDF**

# Switching to TAF in HIV aging population



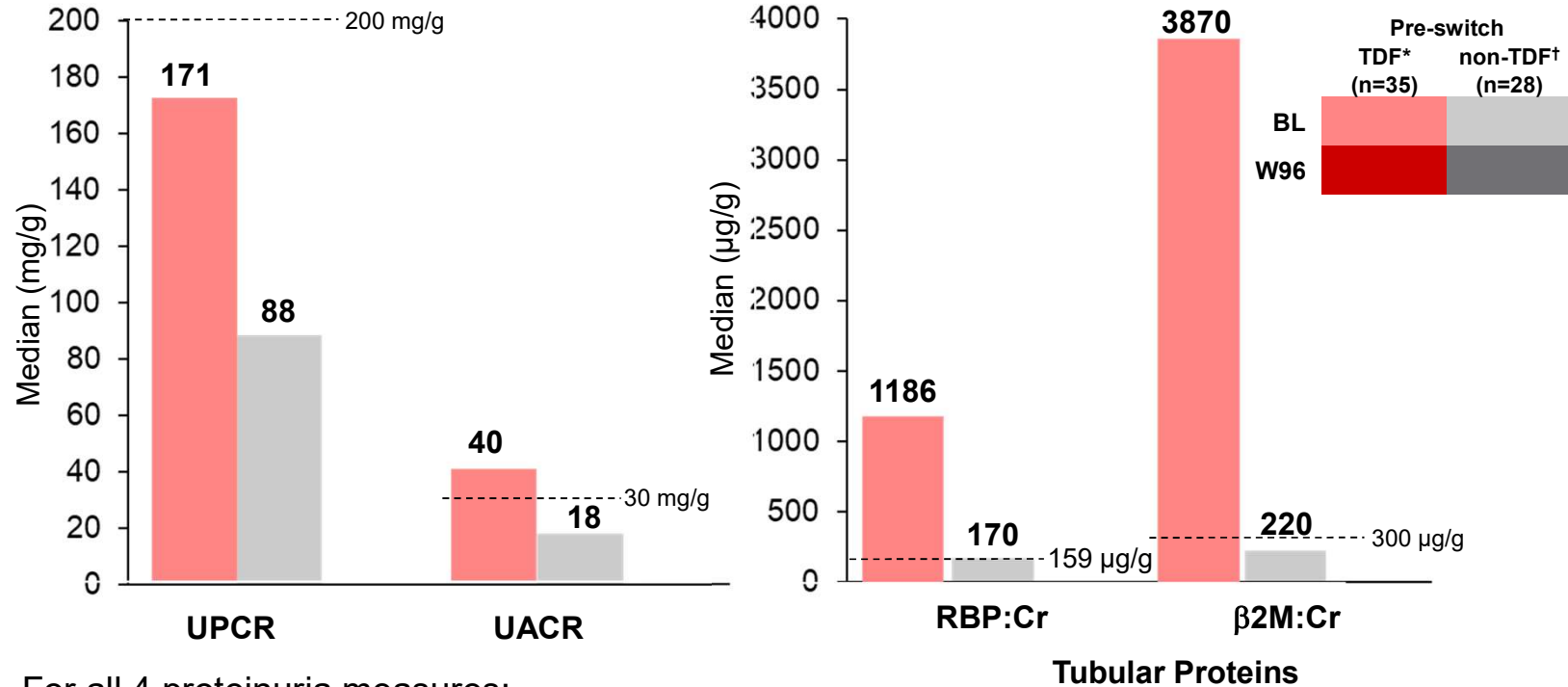


## Renal Biomarkers: Median Change (%) in $\geq 50$ Years of Age



**Switching to FTC/TAF-based regimens resulted in improvements in renal biomarkers and eGFR in subjects  $\geq 50$  years old**

## Quantitative Proteinuria at Baseline and W96 in Subjects ≥ 65 years of Age



For all 4 proteinuria measures:

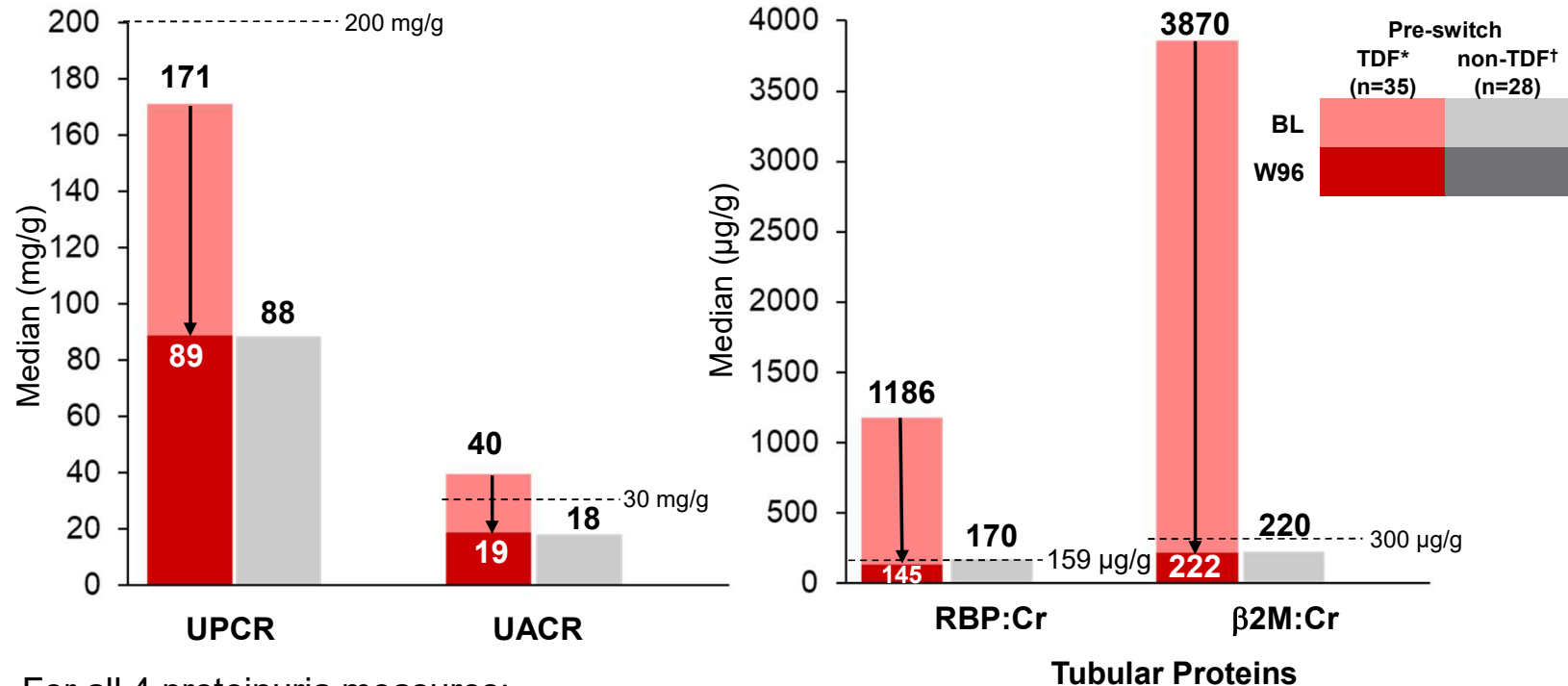
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 Martorell C, et al. HIV and Aging 2016. Washington, DC. Poster #36

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Study 112: Suppressed Adults with Renal Impairment W96 - 65 Years of Age Sub-Analysis

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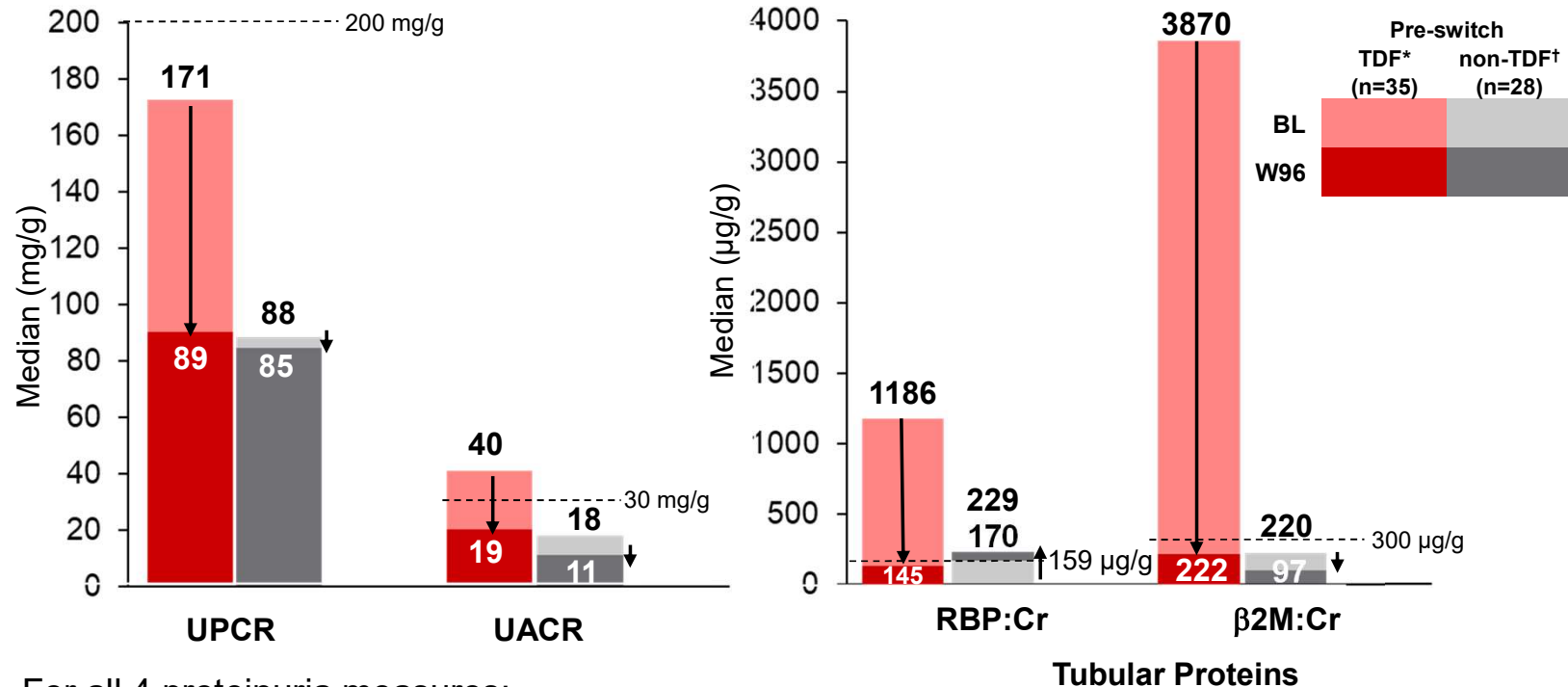
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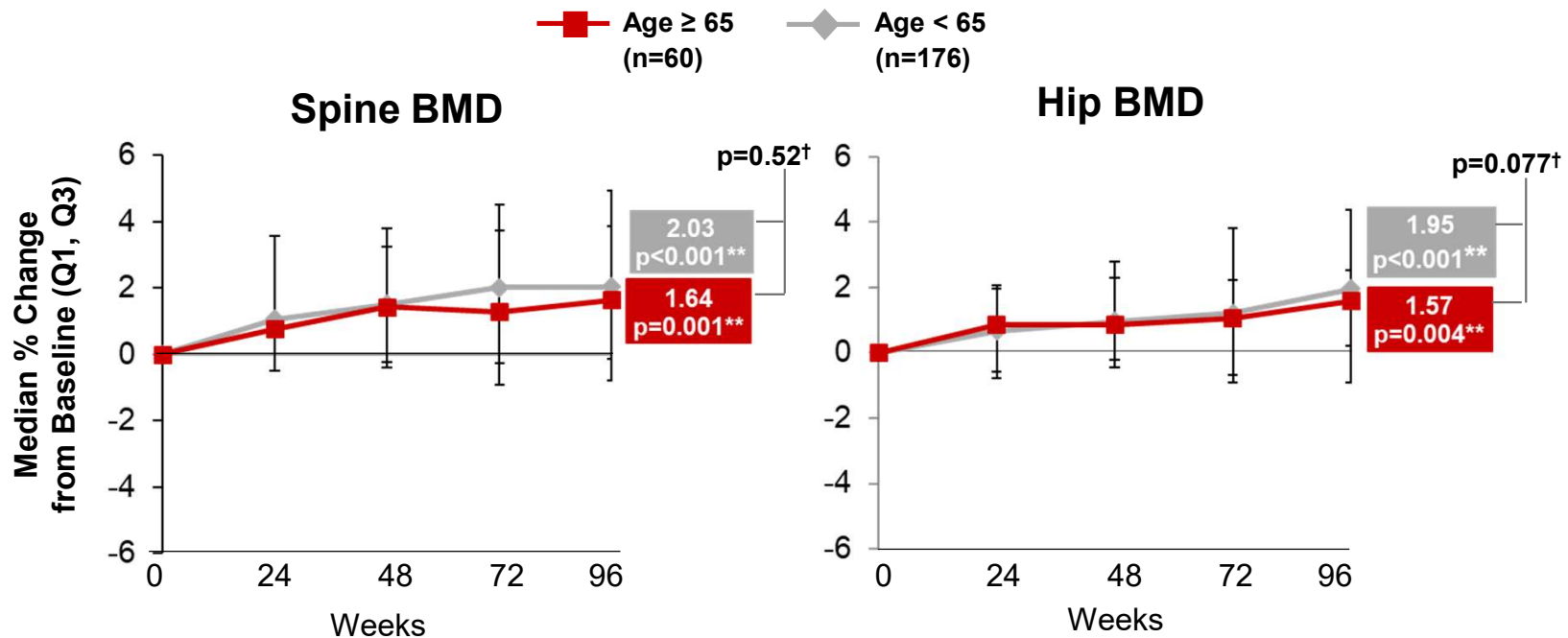
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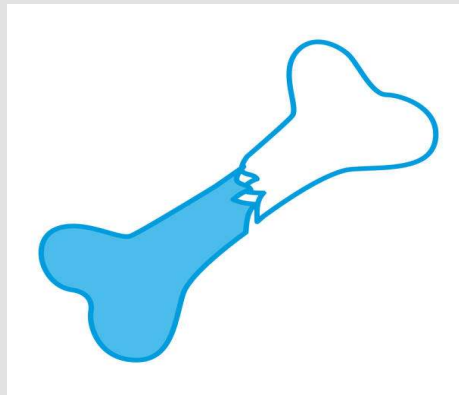
Study 112: Suppressed Adults with Renal Impairment Week 96 -  $\geq 65$ ,  $< 65$  Aging Analysis

## Median % Change in Spine and Hip BMD by Age\*



- **Regardless of age, switching to E/C/F/TAF resulted in similar significant increases in spine and hip BMD, were driven mainly by subjects switching from a TDF-containing regimen**

## Switching to TAF in PLWH with comorbidities



## Switch to TAF for Renally Impaired Patients

### FDA Approved Creatinine Clearance Cut-offs (eGFR, mL/min)

TAF-based Antiretrovirals			TDF-based Antiretrovirals			
<b>FTC/TAF</b> (25 mg)	<b>R/F/TAF</b> (25 mg)	<b>E/C/F/TAF</b> (10 mg)	<b>TDF</b> 300 mg	<b>FTC/TDF</b> (300 mg)	<b>R/F/TDF</b> (300 mg)	<b>E/C/F/TDF</b> (300 mg)
<b>≥30</b>			<b>≥50</b>			<b>≥70</b>

- TAF-based antiretrovirals are approved for HIV infection in patients with creatinine clearance of  $\geq 30$  mL/min, which is an improvement over TDF-based antiretrovirals.
- TAF (25 mg) is approved for HBV infection in patients with creatinine clearance of  $\geq 15$  mL/min.

## Renal Outcomes By D:A:D Risk Scores at Week 96

Studies 104/111: Renal Risk Sub-analysis  
by D:A:D Risk Score

	High Risk for CKD <sup>1</sup>		Medium Risk for CKD <sup>2</sup>		Low Risk for CKD <sup>3</sup>	
	E/C/F/TAF n=56	E/C/F/TDF n=84	E/C/F/TAF n=107	E/C/F/TDF n=129	E/C/F/TAF n=697	E/C/F/TDF n=648
Median baseline eGFR <sub>CG</sub> (mL/min)	88	87	98	100	121	120
Median Δ in eGFR <sub>CG</sub> at Wk 4	-3	-7	-4	-8	-8	-11
Median Δ in eGFR <sub>CG</sub> at Wk 96 <sup>4,5</sup>	2	-6	5	-7	-3	-8
Incident CKD <sup>6</sup>	0	4.8% (4)	0	2.3% (3)	0.1% (1)	1.1% (7)
Renal AE Discontinuations	0	3.6% (3) <sup>7</sup>	0	2.3% (3) <sup>8</sup>	0	0

1. CKD risk score  $\geq 5$ ; 2. CKD risk score: 0-4; 3. CKD risk score:  $< 0$ ; 4.  $P = 0.004$  (High risk: TAF vs TDF); 5.  $P < 0.001$  (Low risk: TAF vs TDF); 6. CKD defined as post-baseline eGFR<sub>CG</sub>  $< 60$  mL/min and/or UACR  $> 30$  mg/g for  $> 3$  months (with BL eGFR<sub>CG</sub>  $\geq 70$  mL/min and UACR  $< 30$  mg/g). TAF: isolated UACR elevation (N = 1, 38 year-old Black female with elevated UACR (36-73 mg/g) and eGFR<sub>CG</sub>  $> 120$  mL/min during study). TDF: isolated decreased eGFR<sub>CG</sub> (N = 5), isolated UACR elevation (N = 8), both decreased eGFR<sub>CG</sub> and UACR elevation (N = 1); 7. Renal AEs: Fanconi's Syndrome (N = 1 [an incident CKD case]), nephropathy (N = 1), renal failure (N = 1); 8. Renal AEs: Decreased GFR (N = 1 [an incident CKD case]), elevated creatinine (N = 1 [an incident CKD case]), renal failure (N = 1).

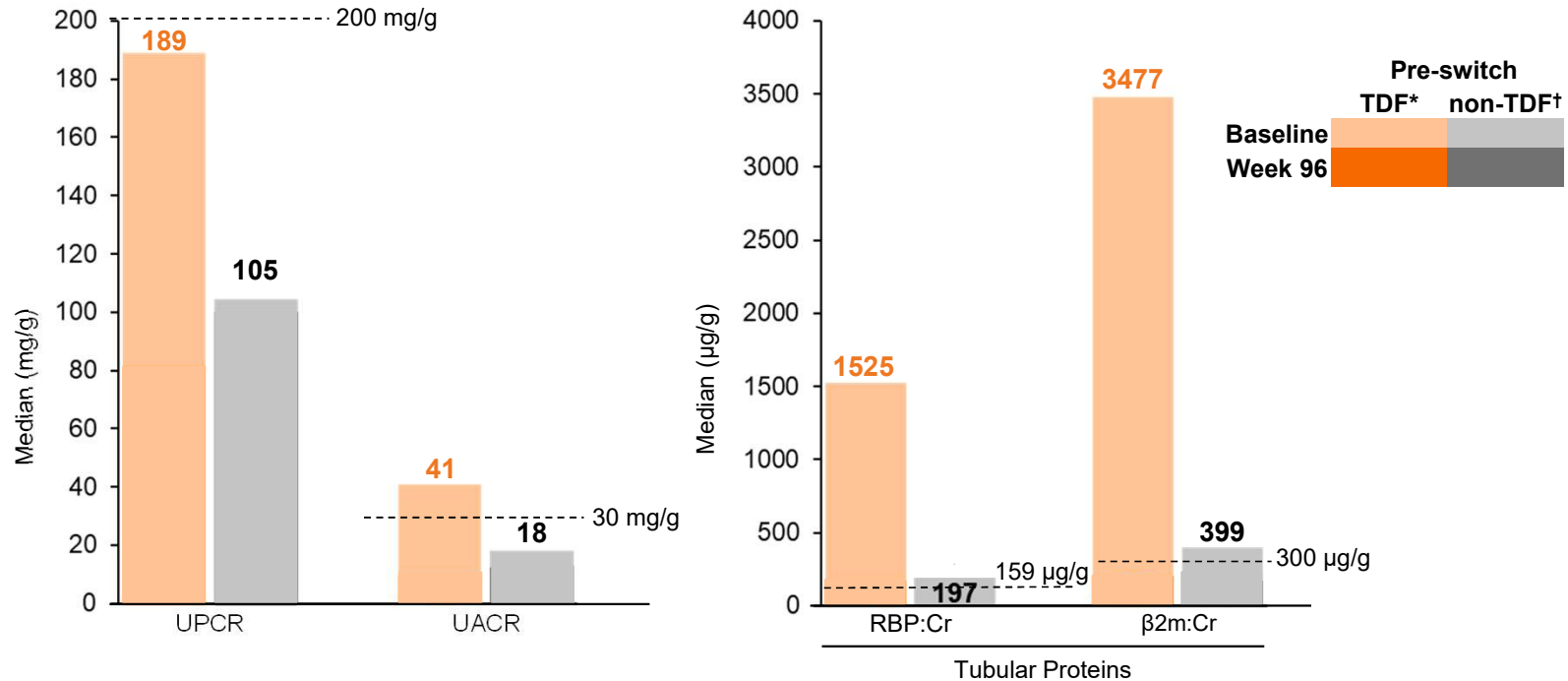
- **Overall Incident CKD: 0.1% (1) TAF vs 1.6% (14) TDF**
- **Total Renal Discontinuations: E/C/F/TAF 0 vs. E/C/F/TDF 6;  $p = 0.03$**

1. Wohl D, et al. CROI 2016. Boston, MA. #681  
2. Wohl D, et al. JAIDS 2016;72:58-64.



Study 112: Suppressed Adults with Renal Impairment Switched to E/C/F/TAF (Week 96)

## Renal Biomarkers: Changes From Baseline to Week 96



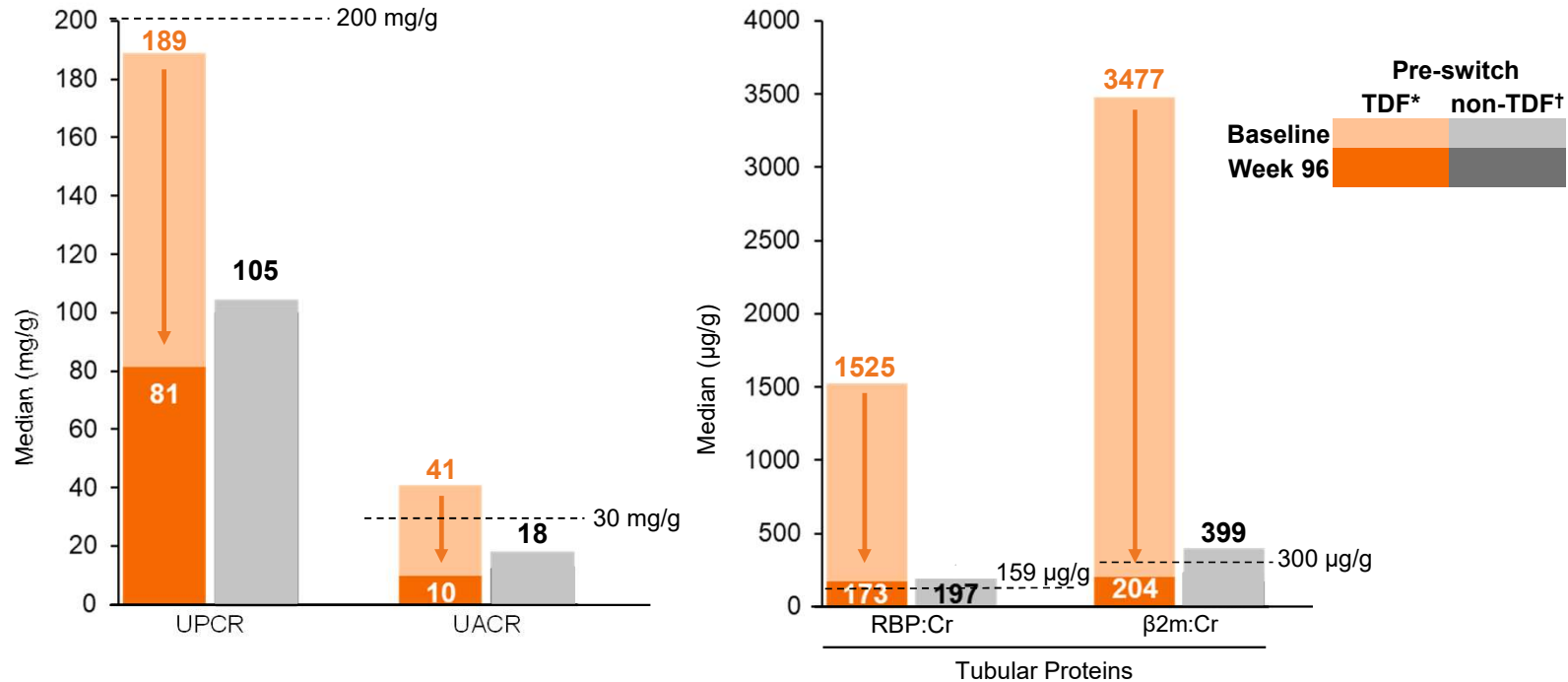
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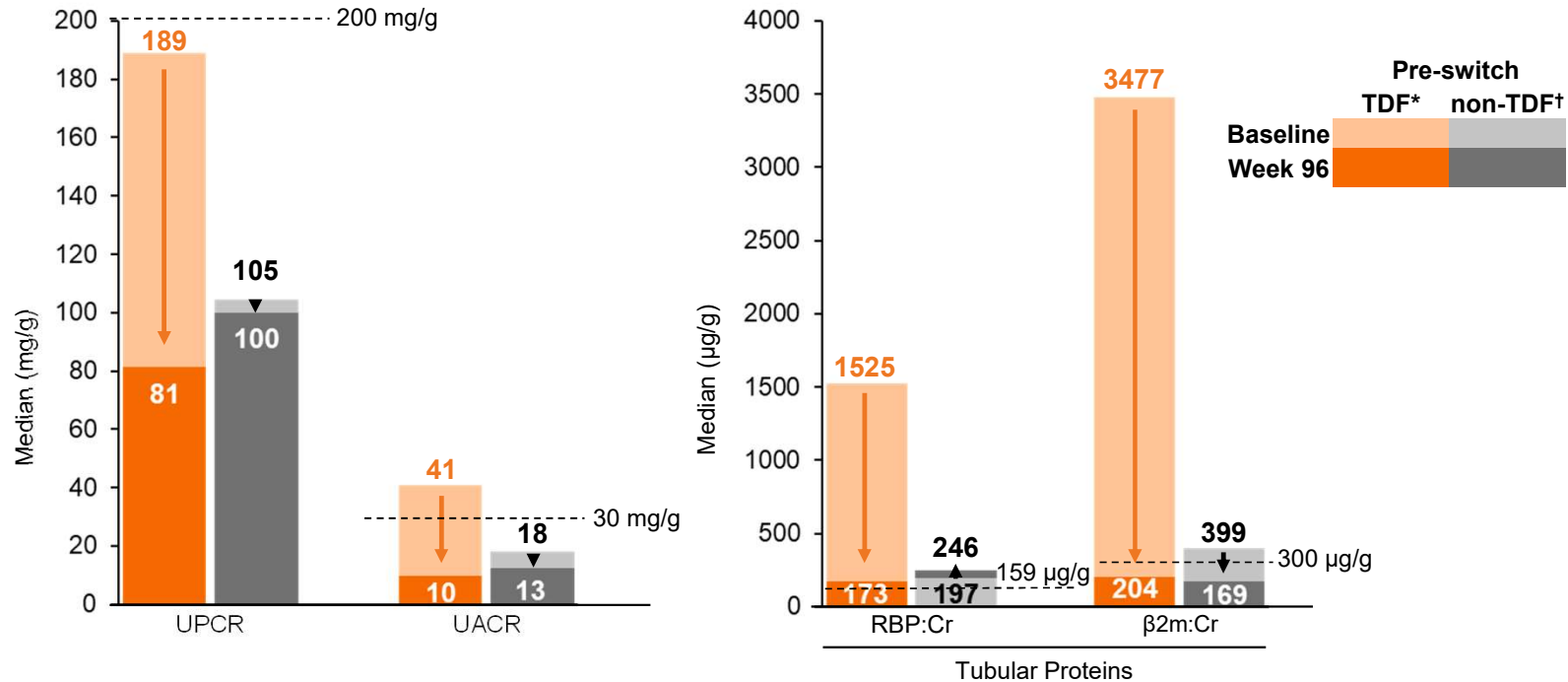
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## Switch to TAF in Patients with Renal Injury or Fanconi Syndrome from TDF

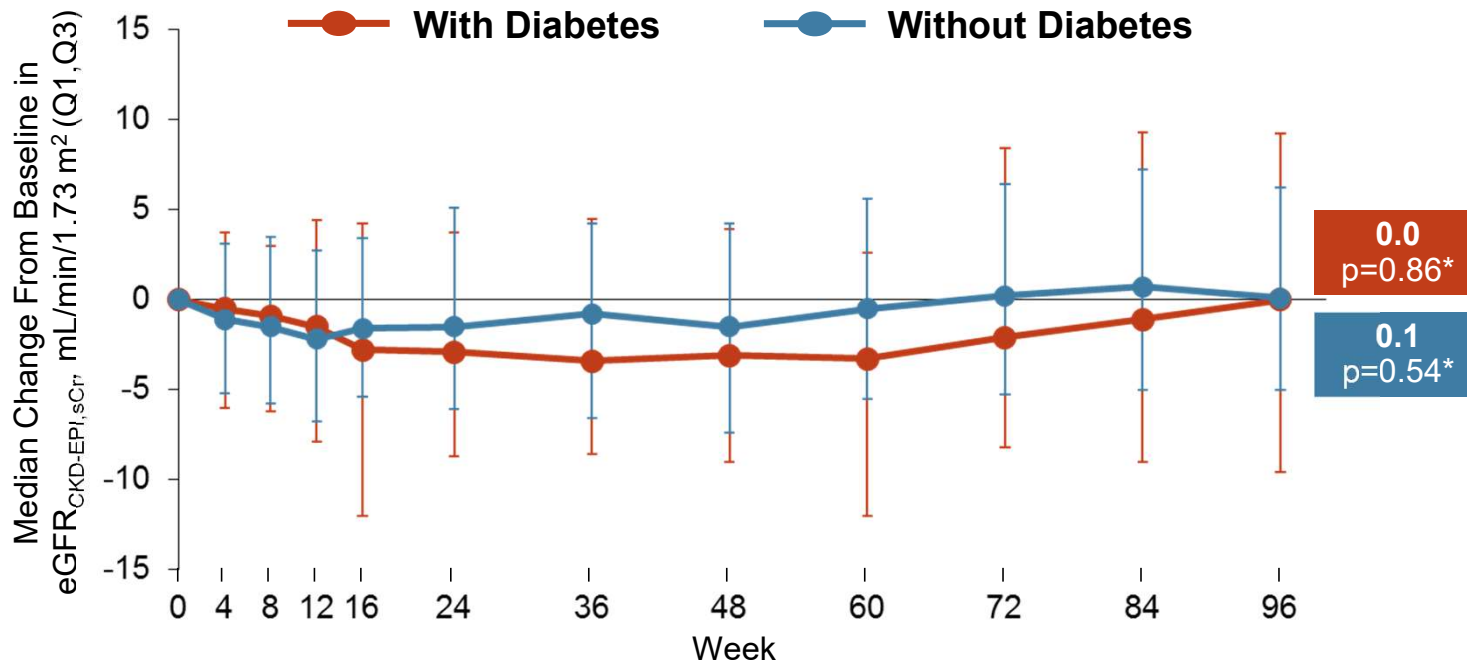
- Four patients with a history of Fanconi Syndrome were treated with FTC/TAF without recurrence of Fanconi Syndrome with 2 years of follow-up on TAF-based regimens<sup>1-4</sup>
- Most patients with renal comorbidities in Swiss Compassionate Use Program had stable eGFR and an improvement in proximal renal tubulopathy markers when switching from TDF to TAF<sup>5</sup>
  - 2 with Fanconi Syndrome
  - 2 with proximal renal tubulopathy
  - 6 with CKD Stage  $\geq 2$
- One published case with two episodes of TDF-associated acute kidney injury who switched to TAF without worsening kidney function through 48 weeks<sup>6</sup>

1. Post F, et al. CROI 2016. Boston MA. #680
2. Garcia M, et al. *AIDS*. 2016;30:1487-1488.
3. Data on File, Gilead Sciences.
4. Karris MY. *AIDS Research and Human Retroviruses* 2017.doi: 10.1089/AID.2016.0180.
5. Walti LN, et al. Swiss Society of Infectious Diseases (SSI) 2016. Poster.
6. Mikula M, et al. *Antiviral Therapy* 2016;21:553-8.

**DIABETICS**

Study 112: HIV Suppressed Diabetics with Renal Impairment Switched to E/C/F/TAF

**Changes in eGFR<sub>CKD-EPI,sCr</sub> through Week 96**



\*Baseline vs Week 96 (2-sided Wilcoxon signed-rank test).

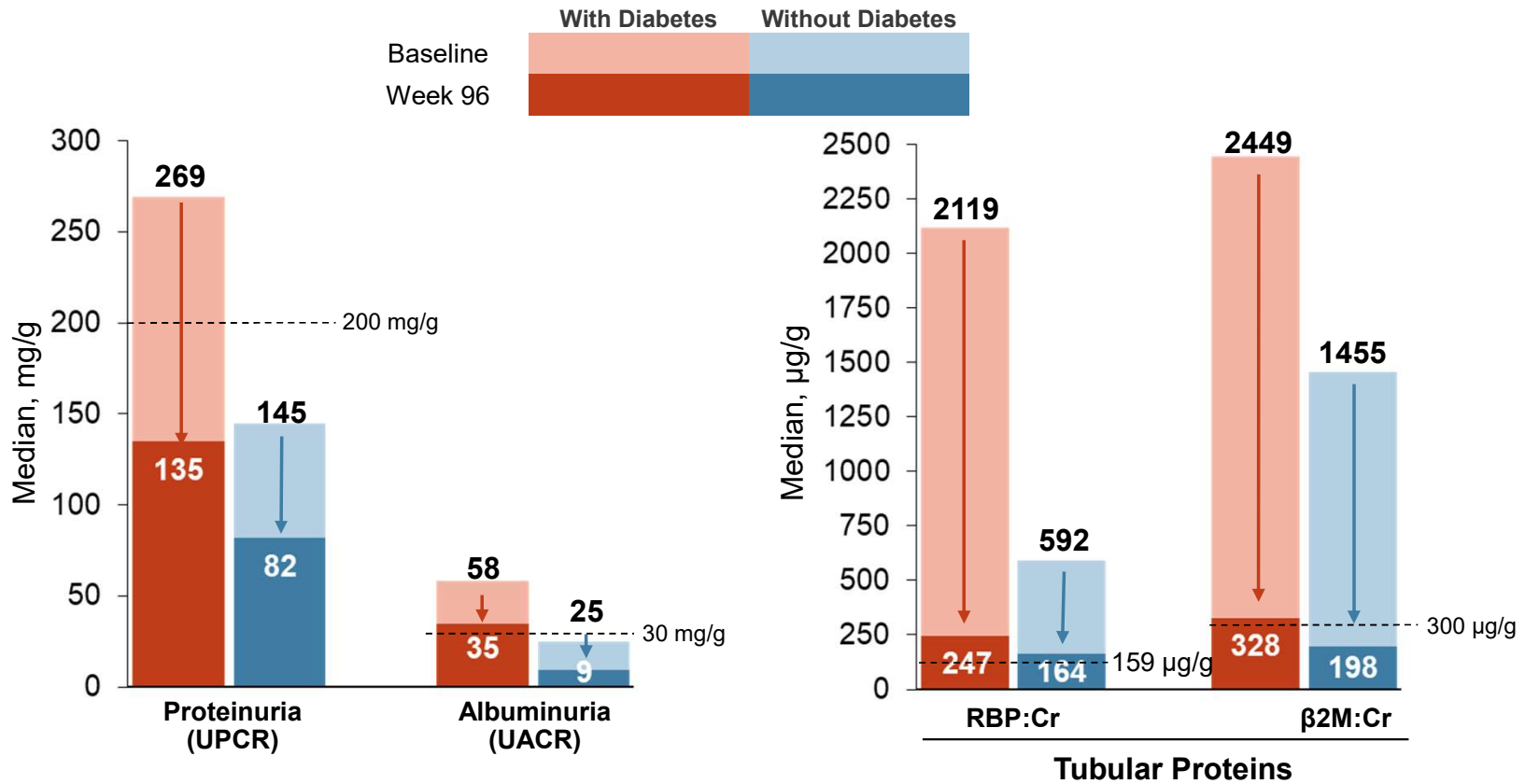
Median, mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> (Q1, Q3)	Baseline	Week 96
<b>With Diabetes (n=33)</b>	53.0 (42.0, 62.4)	55.6 (41.4, 66.6)
<b>Without Diabetes (n=209)</b>	54.2 (46.3, 62.8)	55.1 (48.1, 63.8)

**eGFR remained stable over two years after switching to E/C/F/TAF**

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# Renal Biomarkers: Changes From Baseline to Week 96 in Diabetic Subjects

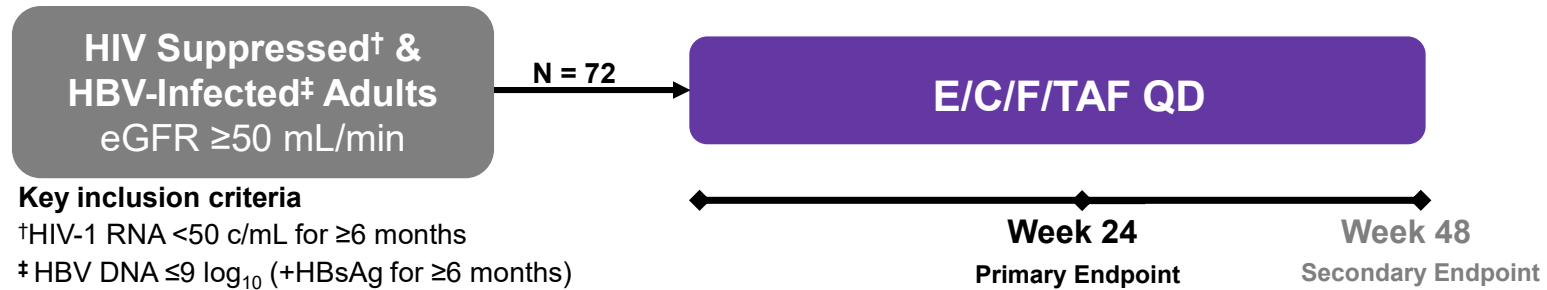


**Statistically significant reductions in proteinuria and tubular proteinuria with a trend towards reduction in albuminuria**

All changes statistically significant, with exception of UACR in diabetic patients ( $P= 0.09$ ).  
Stein D, et al. ASM Microbe 2016. Oral.

## Switching to TAF in HBV-HIV co-infected individuals

### Phase 3, 48-week, multicentered, single-arm, open label study

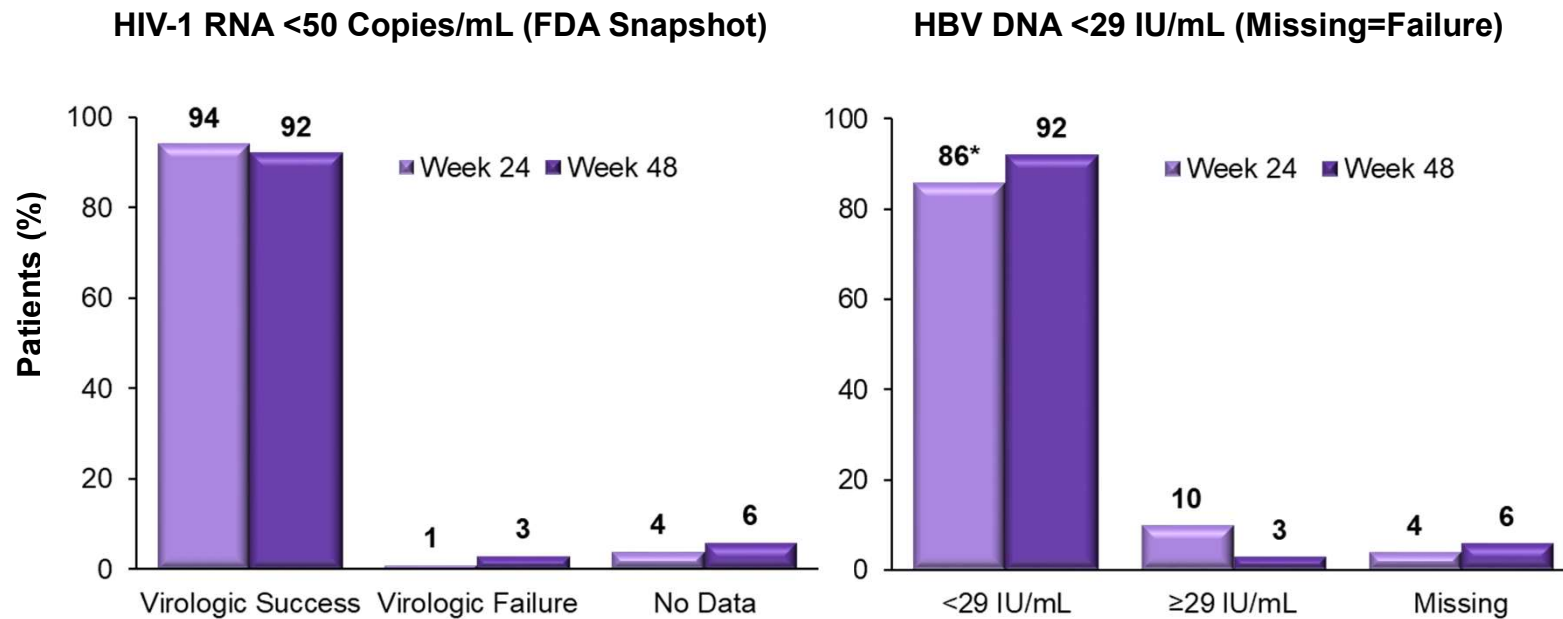


		N=72
<b>Demographics</b>	Median age, y (Q1, Q3)	51 (45, 55)
	Male, n (%)	66 (92)
	Asian, n (%)	7 (10)
	Black, n (%)	13 (18)
<b>HIV</b>	Median Cockcroft-Gault eGFR, mL/min (Q1, Q3)	95 (77, 117)
	TDF-based ART (TDF and FTC or 3TC), n (%)	69 (96)*
<b>HBV</b>	HBsAg+; HBeAg+, n (%)	71 (99) <sup>†</sup> ; 30 (42)
	ALT ≤ULN, n (%)	62 (86)

\*3 patients received non-TDF-based antiretroviral therapy (ART): ABC/3TC+LPV/r; RAL+ATV+RTV; ATV+RTV only.

<sup>†</sup>1 patient was positive at screening, negative at baseline, positive at Week 12, and negative afterwards.

## Switching to TAF in HBV-HIV co-infected individuals



\*Note: 86% of patients had baseline HBV DNA <29 IU/mL

**Switching to E/C/F/TAF maintained/achieved high rates of HIV and HBV suppression through 48 weeks**



## Switch to TAF in PLWH with concurrent medications

Concomitant Drug Class: Drug Name	Effect on Concentration (↓ = decrease)	Clinical Comment
<b>Protease Inhibitor:</b> Tipranavir/ritonavir	↓TAF	Coadministration with FTC/TAF is not recommended.
<b>Anticonvulsants:</b> Carbamazepine Oxcarbazepine Phenobarbital Phenytoin	↓TAF	Consider alternative anticonvulsant.
<b>Antimycobacterials:</b> Rifabutin Rifampin Rifapentine	↓TAF	Coadministration of FTC/TAF with rifabutin, rifampin, or rifapentine is not recommended.
<b>Herbal Products:</b> St. John's wort ( <i>Hypericum perforatum</i> )	↓TAF	Coadministration of FTC/TAF with St. John's wort is not recommended.

## Conclusions

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**Switching to TAF should be considered in specific populations:**

- Efficacy is maintained for HIV treatment
- Well-tolerated and safe
- Better safety profile (kidney and bone)
- Adverse effects on lipids and weight gain
- Considering drug-drug interaction