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HIV DRUG RESISTANCE

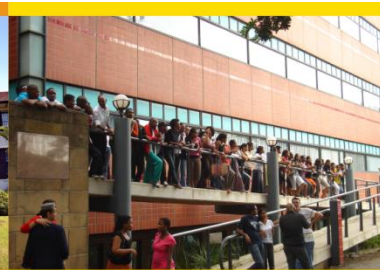
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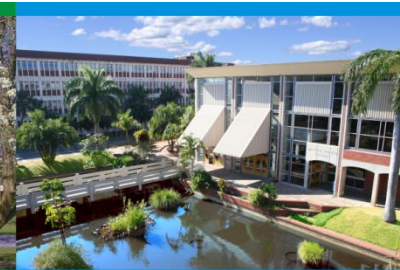
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Question

Have you ordered an HIV drug resistance test?

A. Yes

B. No

C. I don't know what an HIV drug resistance test is

Clinical case



44-year old HIV-positive male

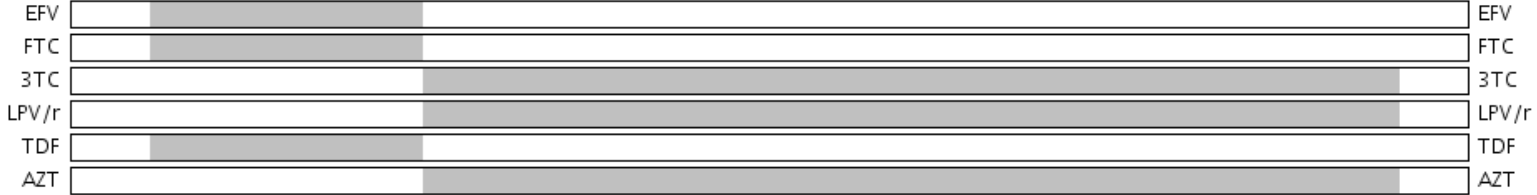
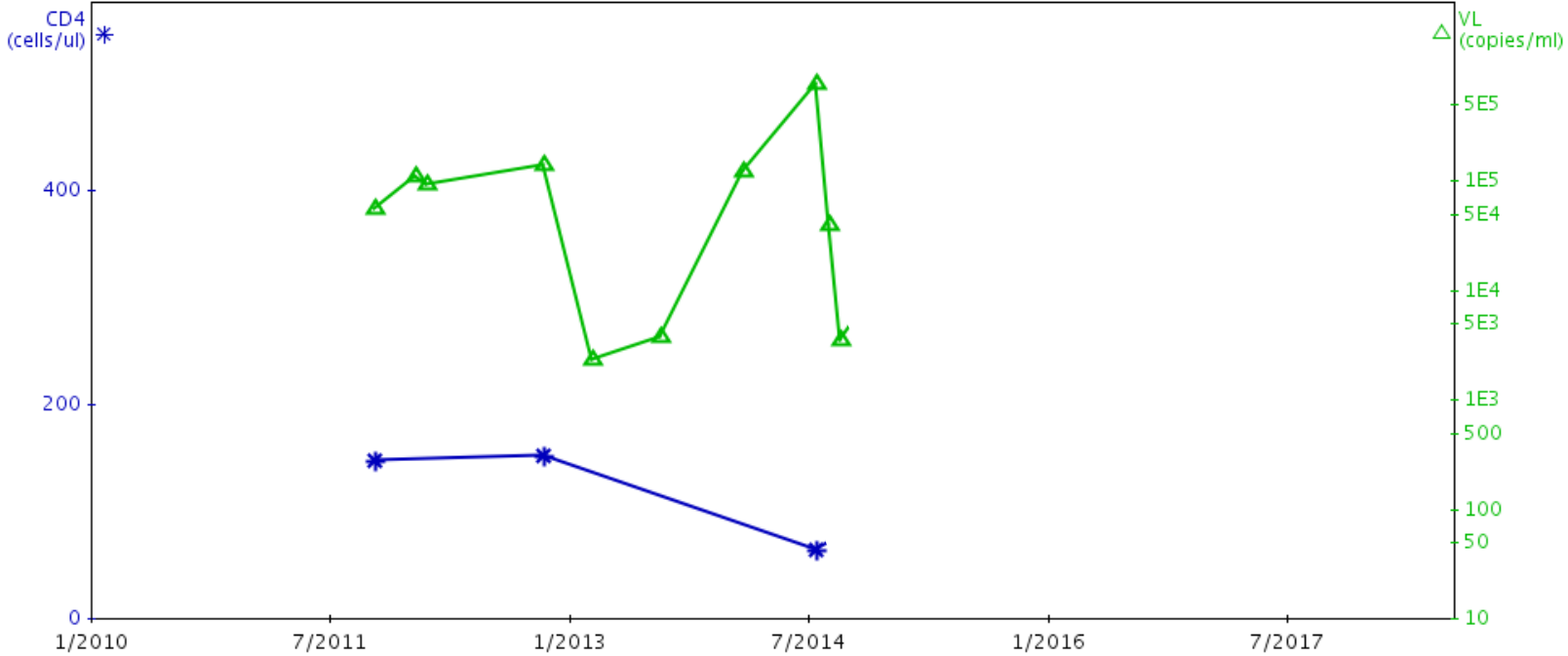
HIV diagnosis 2010

Pre-treatment CD4+ count not known

Initiated first-line ART (TDF/FTC/EFV) in private sector
2010 – transferred into public sector Oct 2011

4 x episodes pulmonary TB (last 2010)

Clinical chart



↑ PTB ↑ Virological failure ↑ Genotype

Genotypic resistance test report

Antiretroviral experience: TDF, FTC, EFV, AZT, 3TC, LPVr
Subtype: HIV-1 Subtype C
Resistance interpretations: HIVdb 8.6

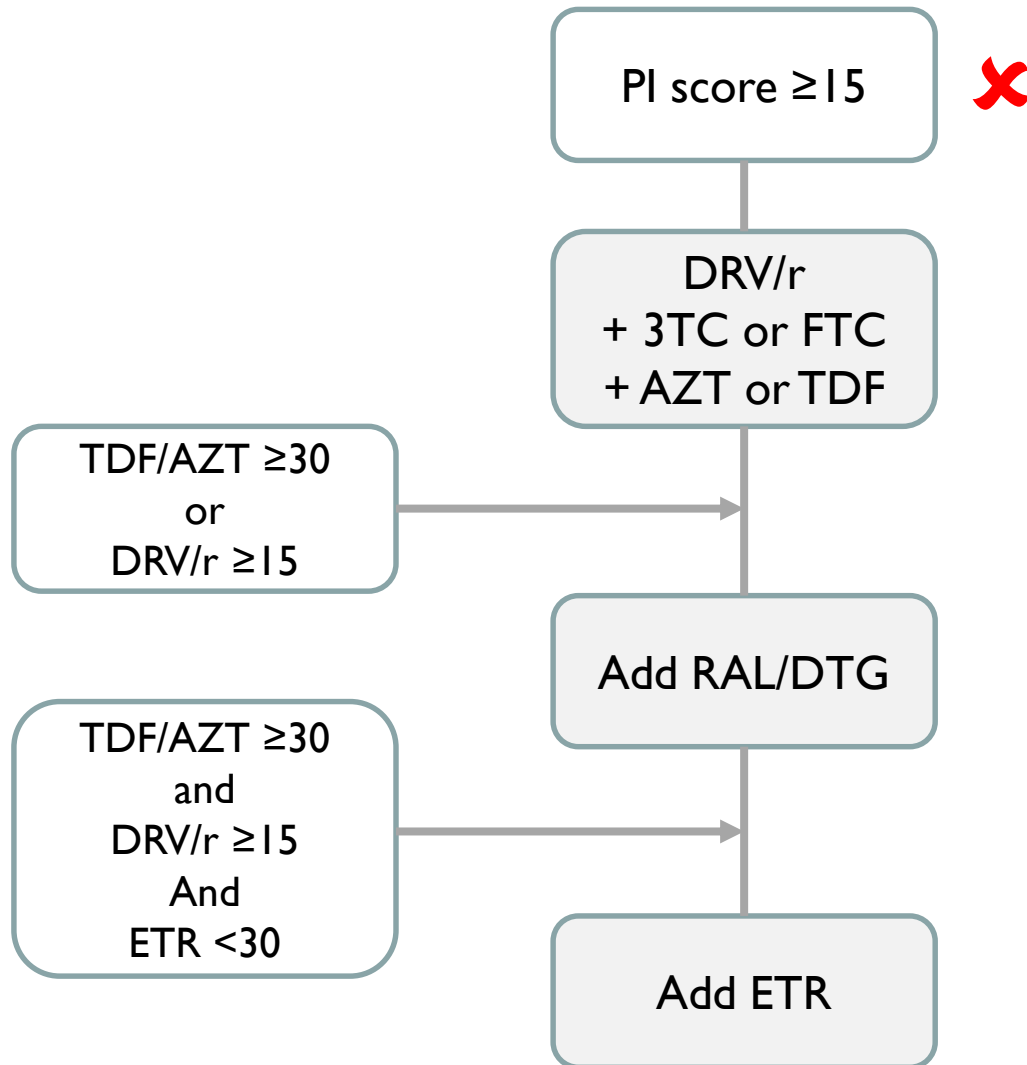
Drug	Mutations	Description	Score
Zidovudine	M184V,T215S	Potential low-level resistance	10
Lamivudine	M184V	High-level resistance	60
Abacavir	M184V,T215S	Low-level resistance	20
Emtricitabine	M184V	High-level resistance	60
Tenofovir	M184V,T215S	Susceptible	-5
Nevirapine	-	Susceptible	0
Efavirenz	-	Susceptible	0
Etravirine	-	Susceptible	0
Lopinavir/r	-	Susceptible	0
Atazanavir/r	-	Susceptible	0
Darunavir/r	-	Susceptible	0

Question

Would you submit a request for third-line antiretroviral therapy now?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. I would phone adult ID hotline for advice first

Third-line ART algorithm



Question

Does the genotypic resistance test help you to understand this man's ART adherence?

- A. Yes - he must be completely non-adherent to ART
- B. Yes - he must have differential adherence, i.e. he is taking AZT/3TC but not LPVr
- C. Maybe - it's likely that he has poor adherence but difficult to say more than that
- D. No - it doesn't help at all

Routine genotypic resistance test data

NHLS, KwaZulu-Natal, 2015-16

- All genotypic resistance tests performed for adult second-line ART failure 2015-16 (N = 353)
- Median age 34 yrs (IQR 19-42)
- 59% female
- 93% LPVr-based regimens
- Median duration second-line ART 30 months (IQR 18-48)
- Median duration all ART 72 months (IQR 50-95)

Question

In KwaZulu-Natal 2015-2016, approximately what proportion of adults with a resistance test done for virological failure on second-line ART had at least one major PI mutation?

- A. 10%
- B. 20%
- C. 33%
- D. 50%
- E. 75%

Routine HIV drug resistance testing

NHLS, KwaZulu-Natal, 2015-2016



33% at least one major protease mutation

So the majority were failing without protease resistance

66% NRTI mutations

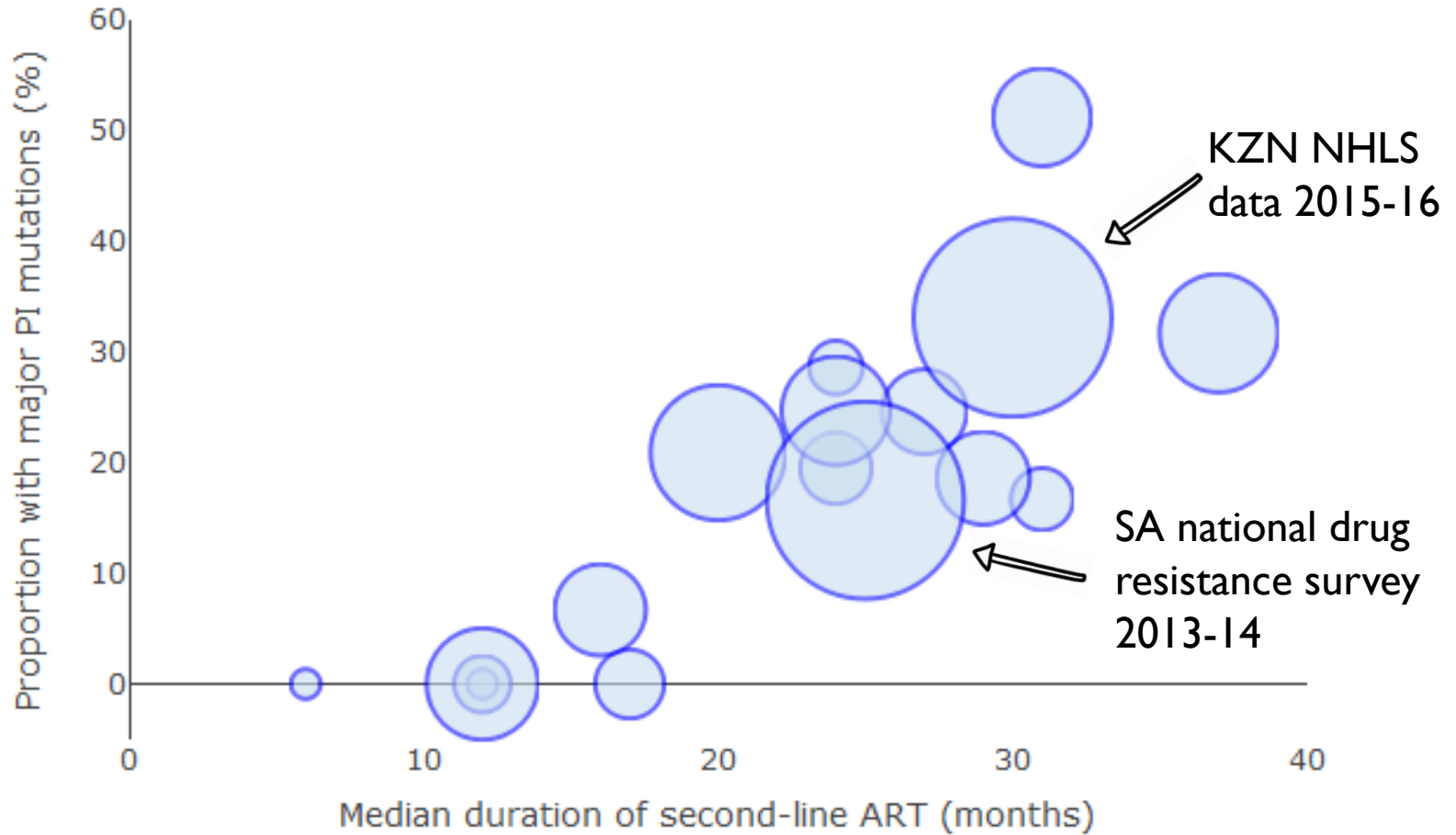
64% NNRTI mutations

19% no drug resistance mutations

PI resistance at second-line ART failure

17 studies from Africa

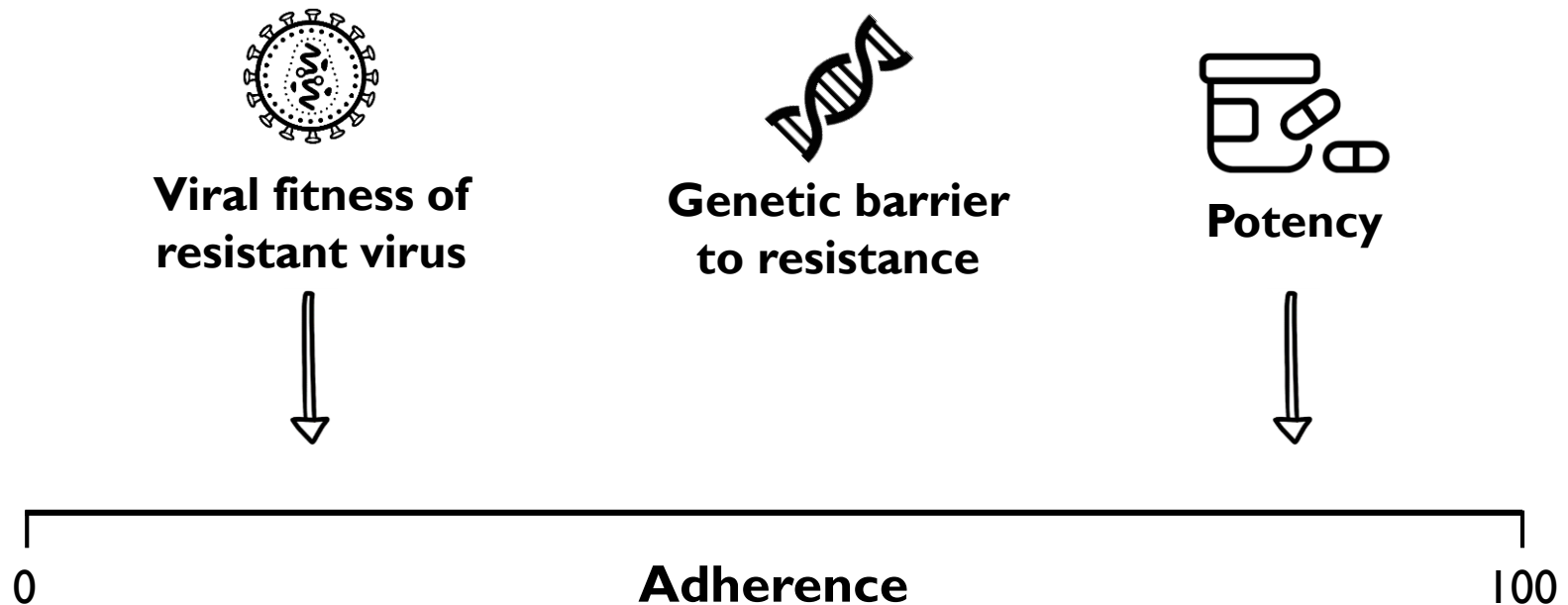
Each circle represents a study; size of circle proportional to number of genotypes



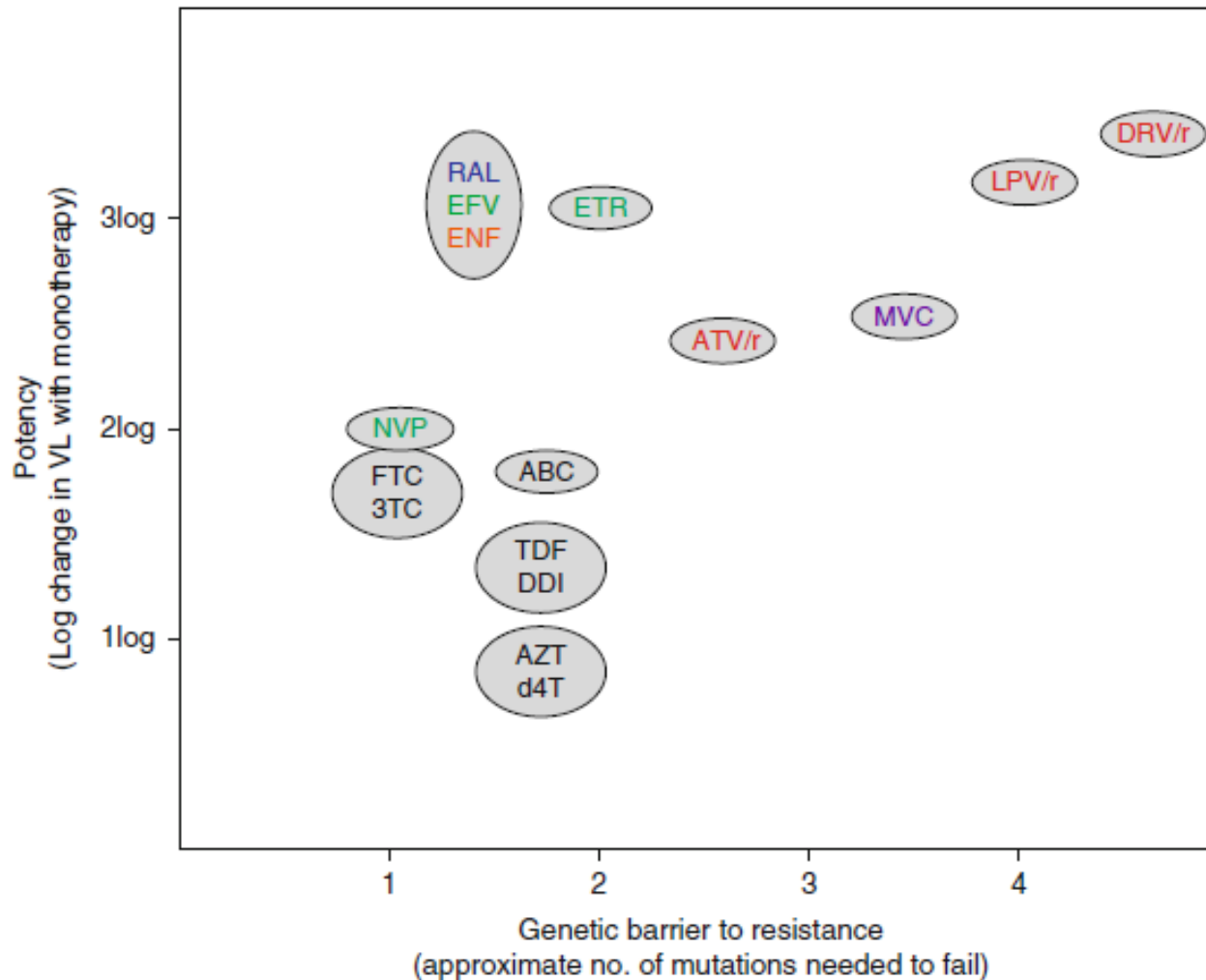
Adapted and updated from Stockdale CID 2018

Why do most adults with virological failure on second-line ART have no major PI mutations?

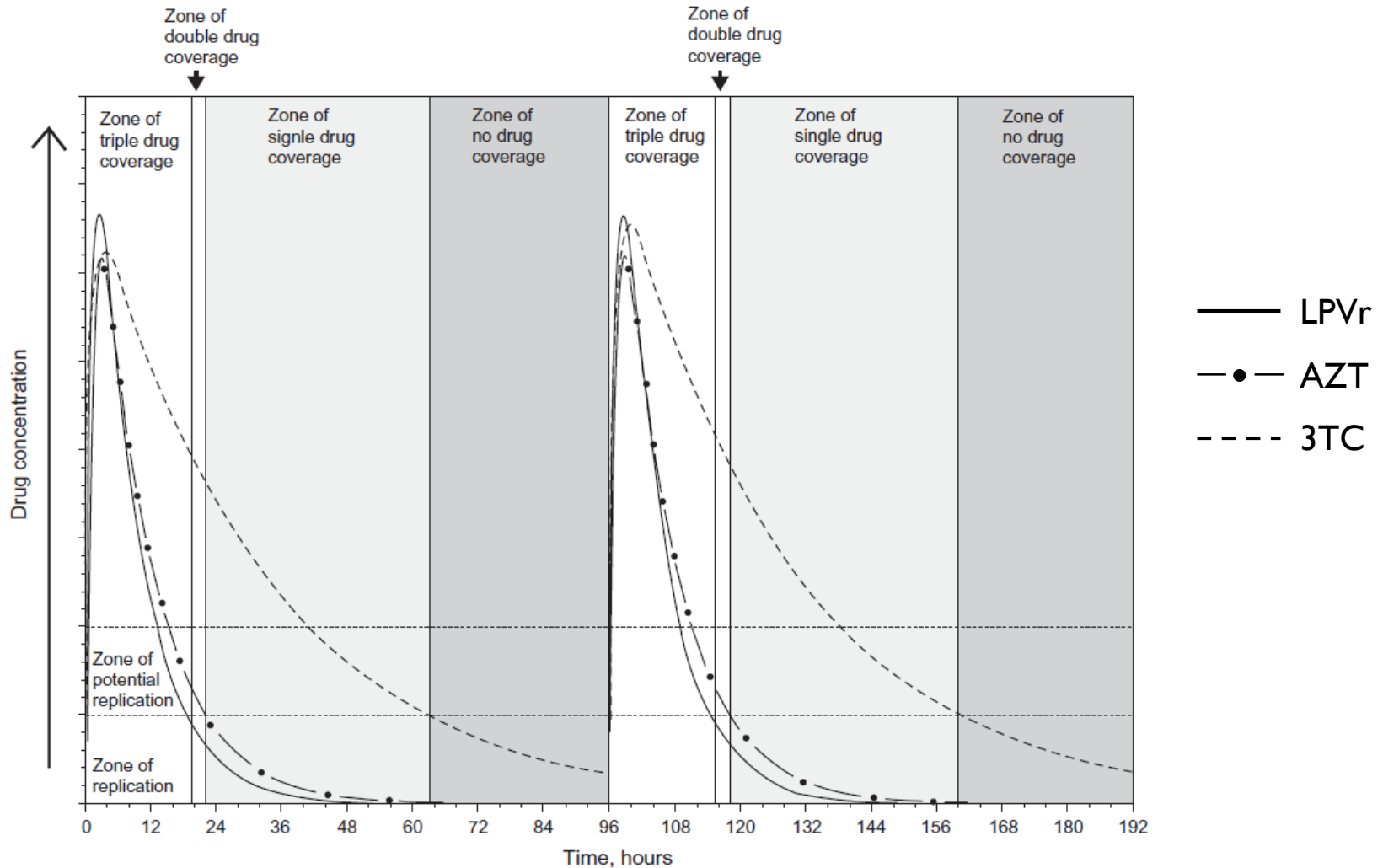
The development of protease inhibitor resistance is relatively uncommon at all adherence levels



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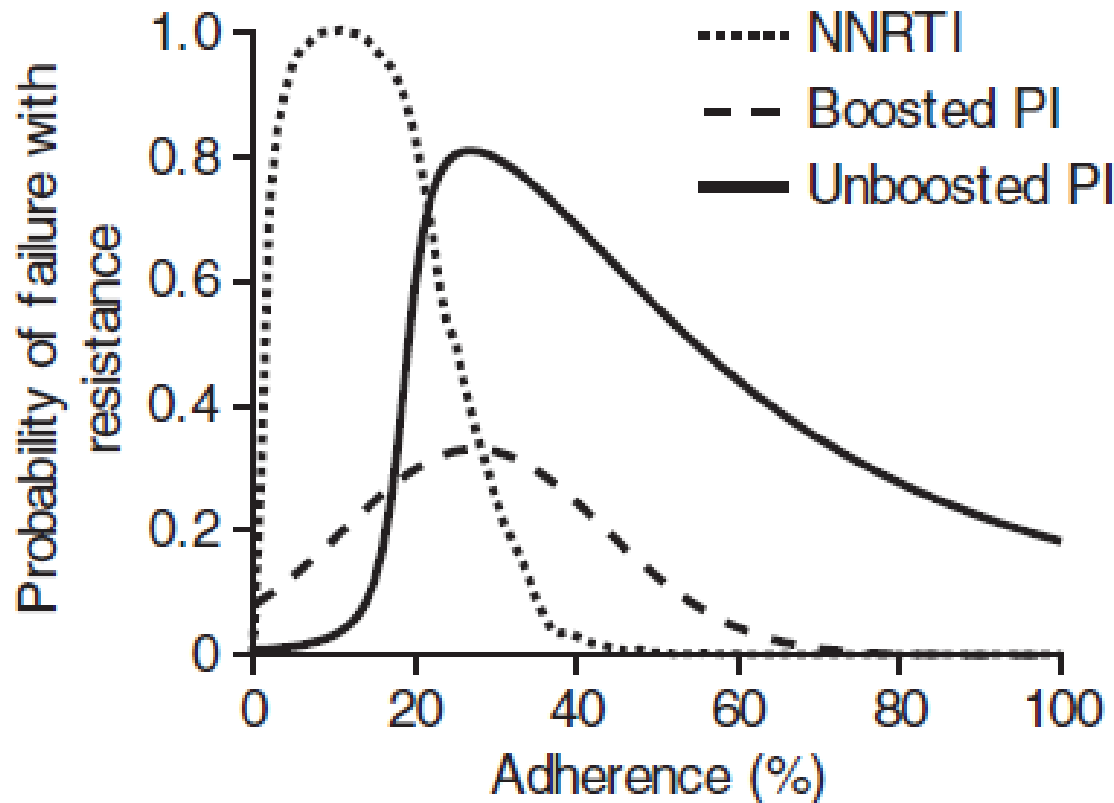
Short mutant selection window



Source: Gardner AIDS 2009

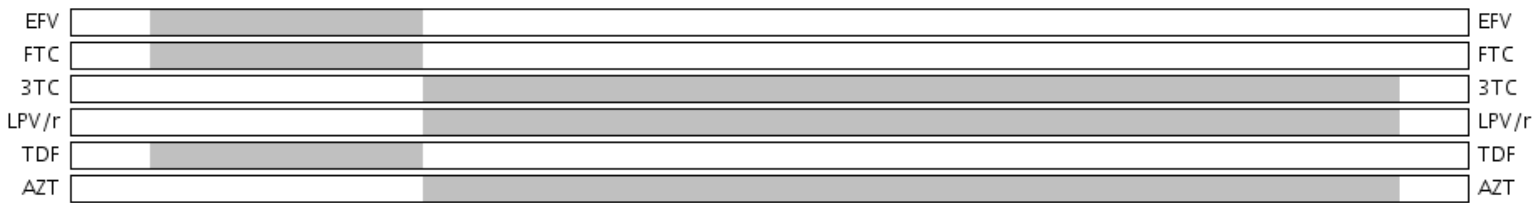
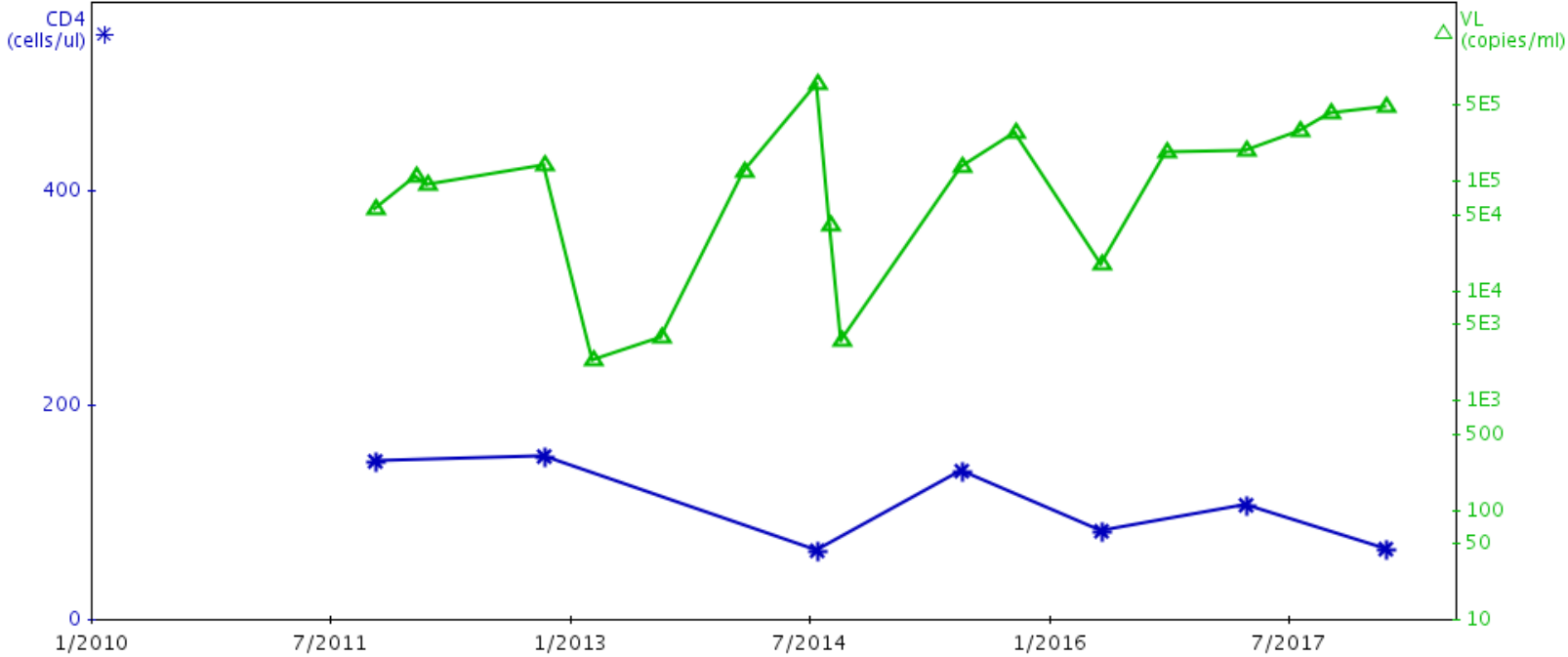
Why do most adults with virological failure on second-line ART have no major PI mutations?

Association between adherence and drug resistance quite different for PIs compared to NNRTIs



Source: Rosenbloom Nature

Clinical chart



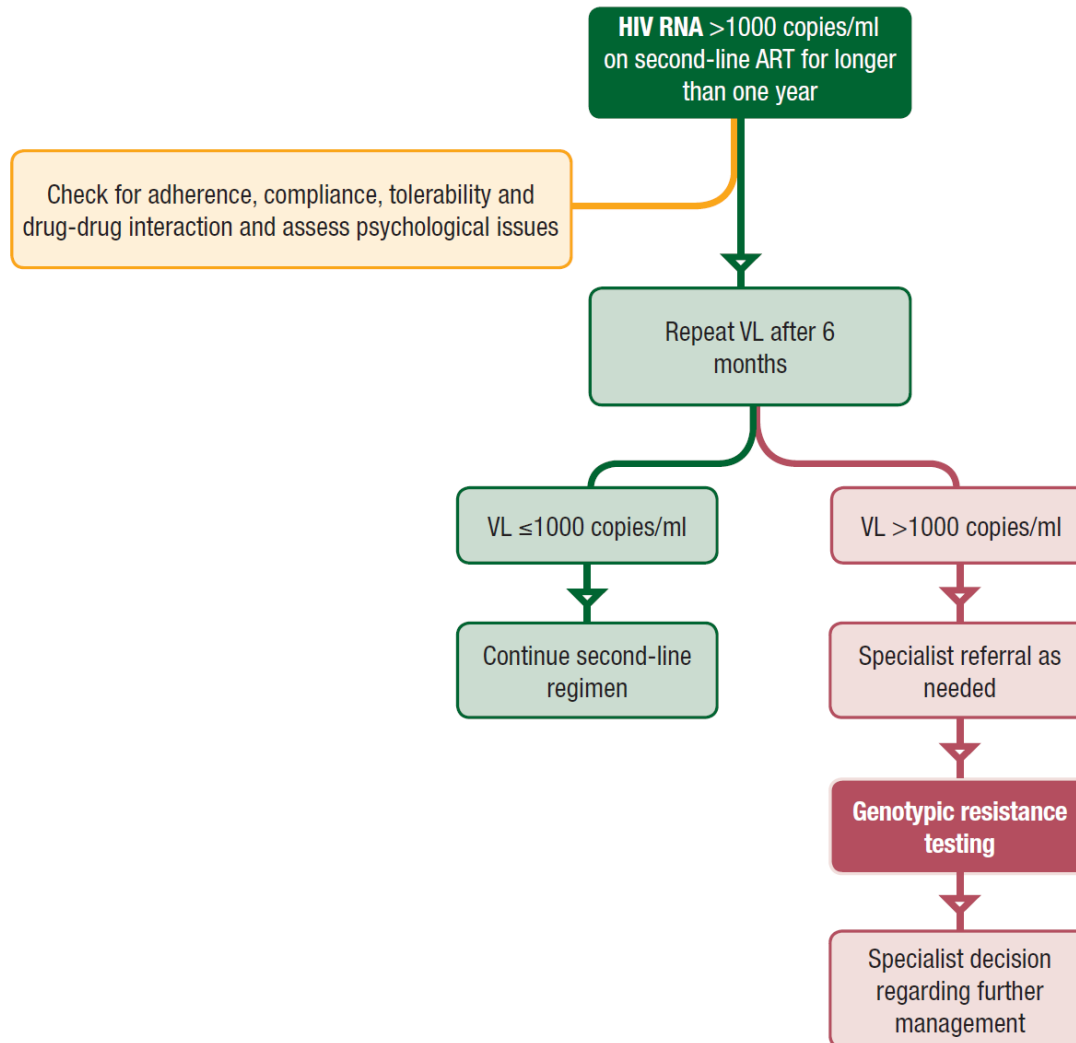
↑ PTB ↑ Virological failure ↑ Genotype ↑ PTB (Xpert +)

Question

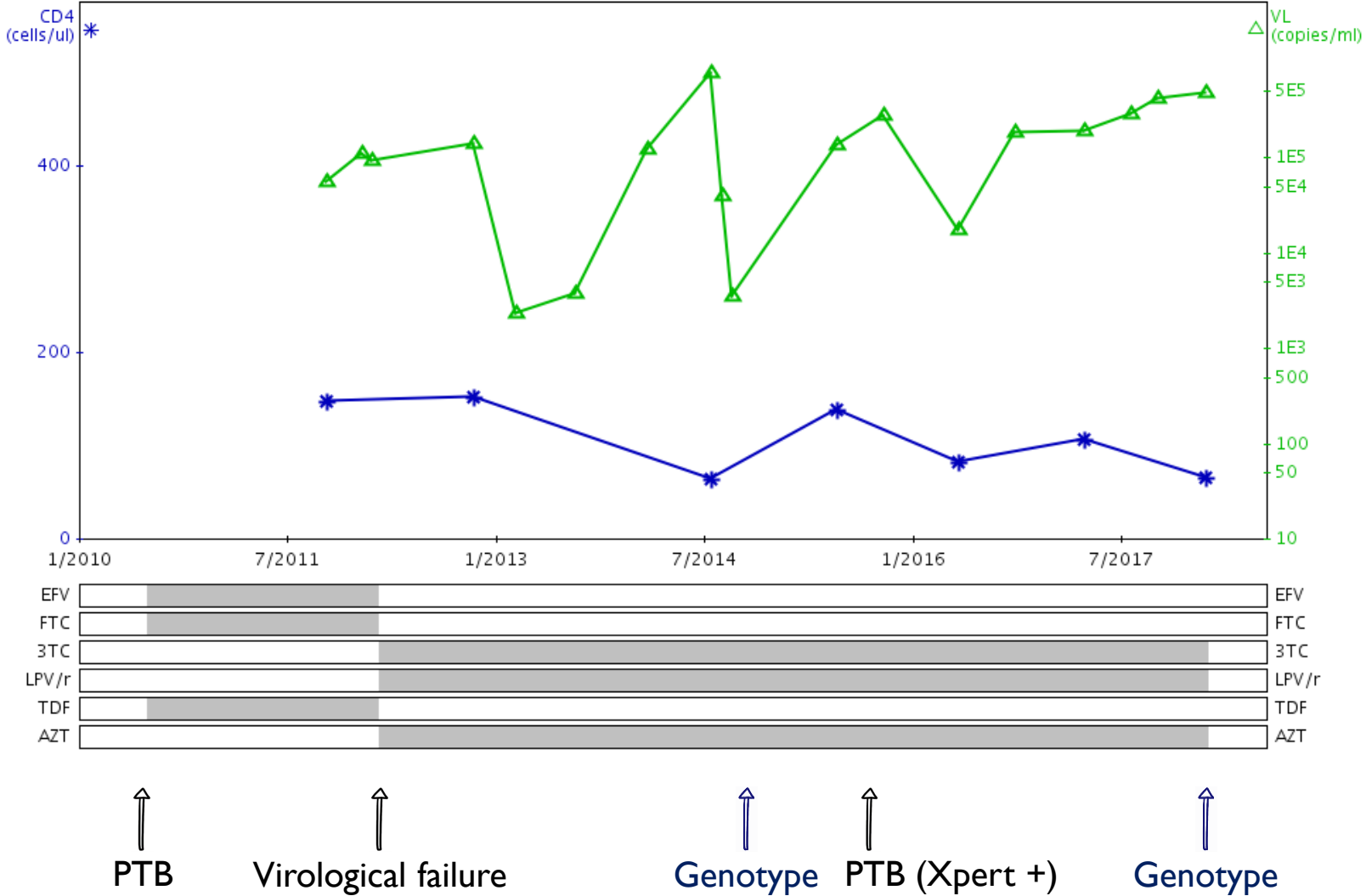
When would you repeat a resistance test in an adult patient who has no major PI mutations, continues on second-line ART and has persistent viraemia despite enhanced adherence counselling?

- A. After 3 months if VL > 1000 copies/mL
- B. After 3 months if < 1 log₁₀ copies/mL decrease in VL
- C. After 6 months if VL > 1000 copies/mL
- D. After at least 12 months if persistent VL > 1000 copies/mL
- E. When immunological or clinical failure develops

Consolidated ART guidelines



Clinical chart



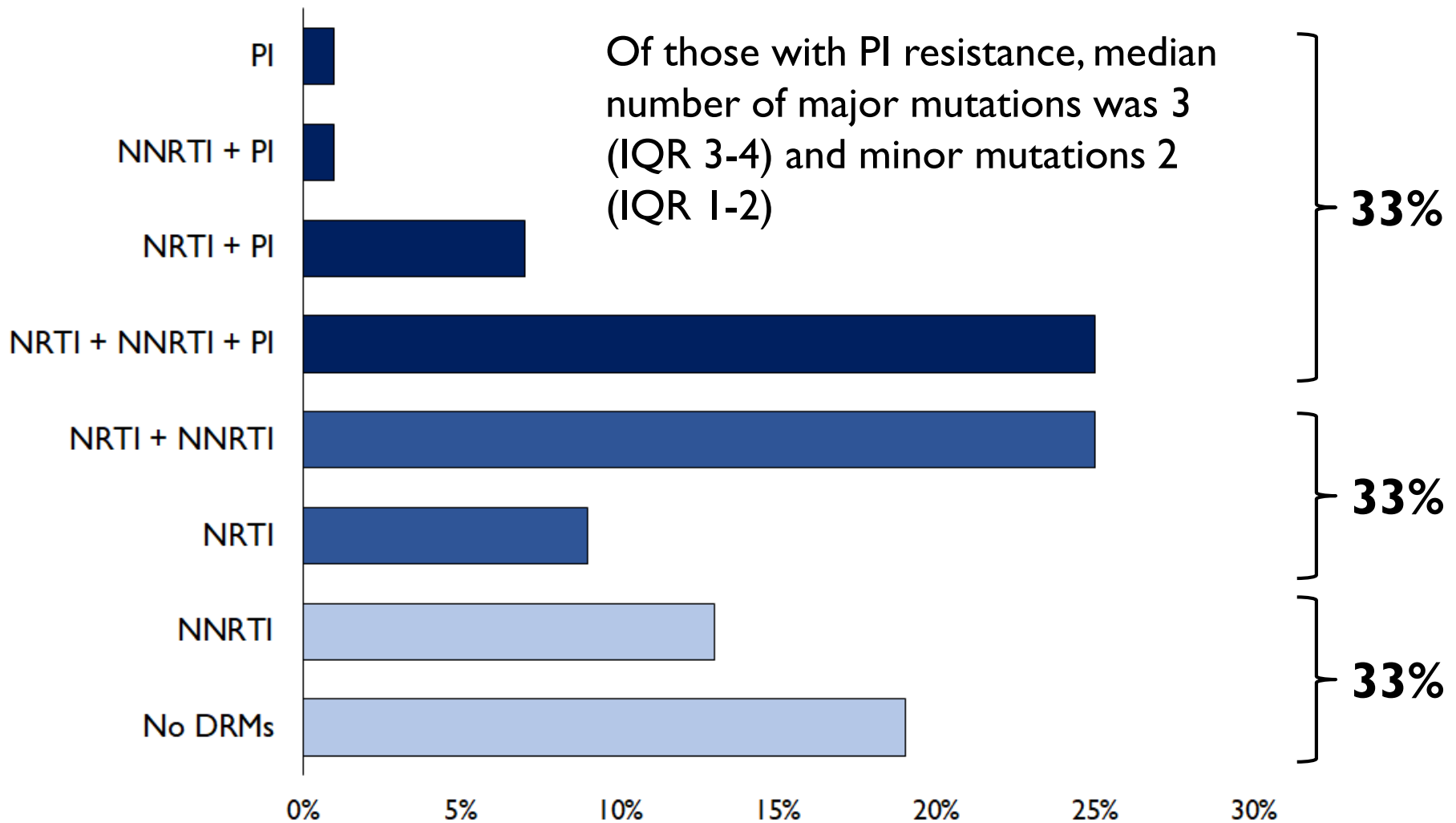
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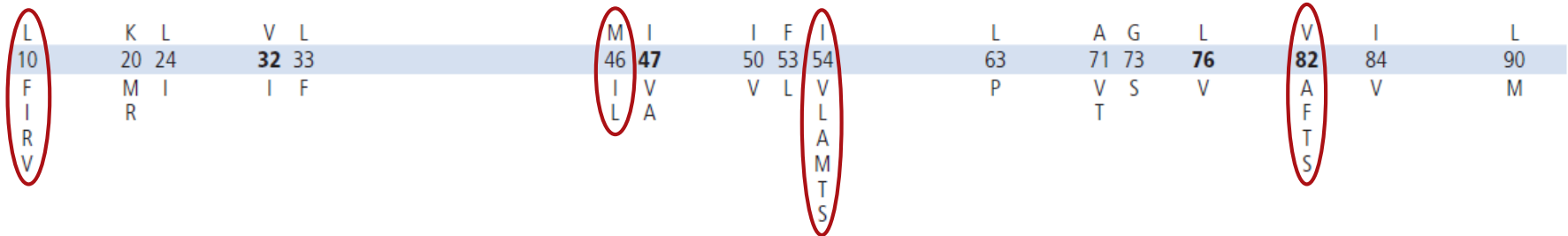
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Lamivudine	M41L, M184V, T215S	High-level resistance	65
Abacavir	M41L, M184V, T215S	Intermediate resistance	45
Emtricitabine	M41L, M184V, T215S	High-level resistance	65
Tenofovir	M41L, M184V, T215S	Low-level resistance	15
Nevirapine	A98G	Intermediate resistance	30
Efavirenz	A98G	Low-level resistance	15
Etravirine	A98G	Potential low-level resistance	10
Lopinavir/r	L10F, M46I, I54V, V82A	High-level resistance	80
Atazanavir/r	M46I, I54V, V82A	High-level resistance	60
Darunavir/r	L10F	Susceptible	5

Patterns of HIV drug resistance

Adults with second-line failure, KwaZulu-Natal, 2015-2016 (n = 353)



Protease mutations



Major PI mutations – mutations occurring within the active binding site of protease enzyme which disrupt PI binding; have the greatest impact on PI susceptibility

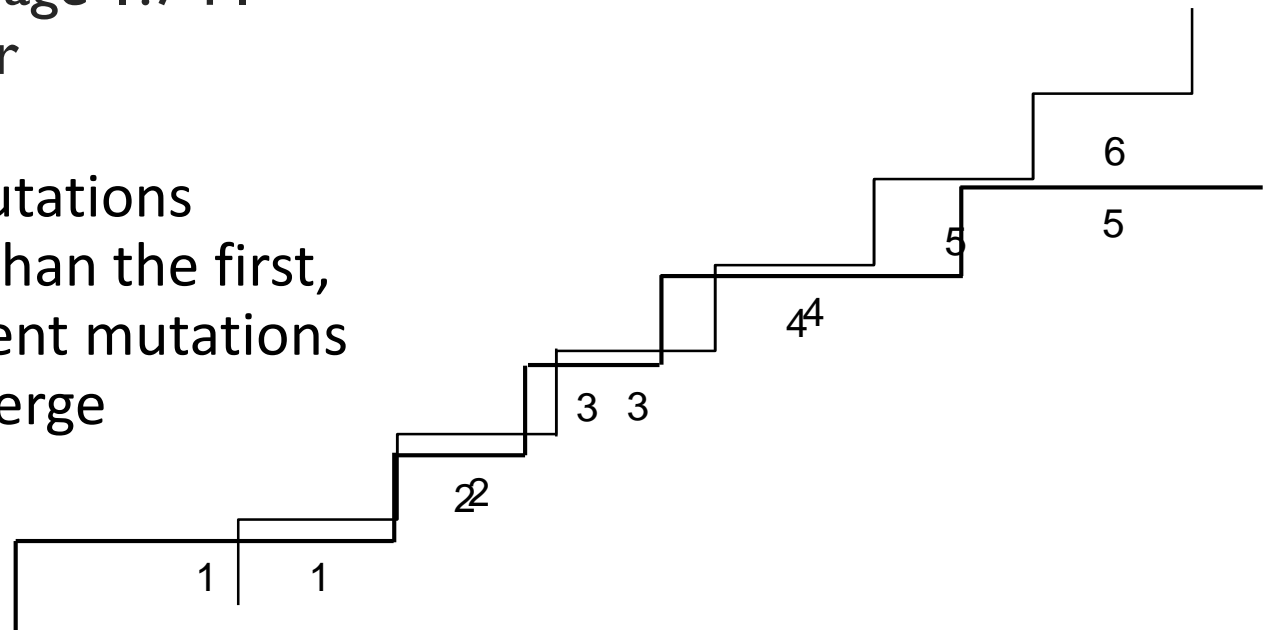
Minor PI mutations – mutations outside the active binding site; can enhance resistance and can be compensatory, i.e. restore enzyme activity or reverse viral fitness defects

Accumulation of protease mutations

Mutations occur sequentially rather than simultaneously

In EARNEST trial LPVr monotherapy arm, participants developed on average 1.7 PI mutations per year

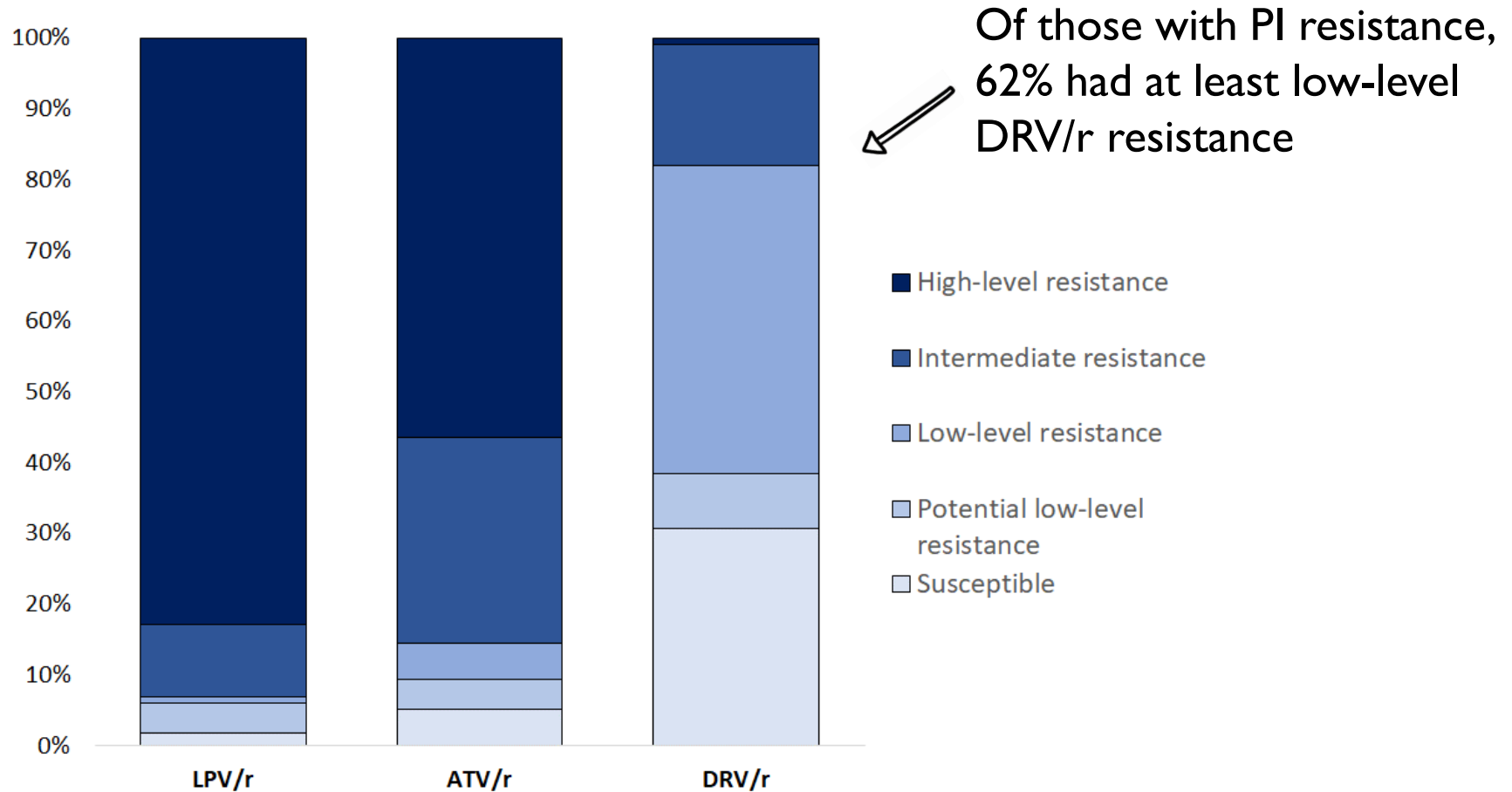
Second & third mutations developed faster than the first, but then subsequent mutations took longer to emerge



Source: Thompson CID 2018

Effect of mutations on PI susceptibility

Adults with PI resistance, KwaZulu-Natal, 2015-2016 (n = 117)



Predicted need for third-line ART regimens

Adults with genotypic resistance test, KZN, 2015-2016 (n = 353)



Only around one in three needs a third-line ART regimen



Continued 2nd-line ART



DRV/r + 2 NRTIs



DRV/r + INSTI + 2 NRTIs



DRV/r + INSTI + ETR + 2 NRTIs

Key learning points



Most adults with virological failure on second-line ART do not have major PI mutations



Adherence measurement, support and interventions remain critical to prevent development of drug resistance



Genotypic resistance testing should be repeated in people with persistent viraemia despite good adherence on second-line ART, but optimal timing not clear



Once PI resistance occurs, most have high-level LPVr resistance and at least low-level DRV/r resistance

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