



JAKi and the Theory of Relativity

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Objectives

- **Understand the relative differences and similarities with regard to adverse events between JAK inhibitors**
- **Appreciate the distinct safety profile of JAK inhibitors relative to biologic therapies**
- **Understand JAK inhibitors and their role/risk in COVID-19**

Polling Question

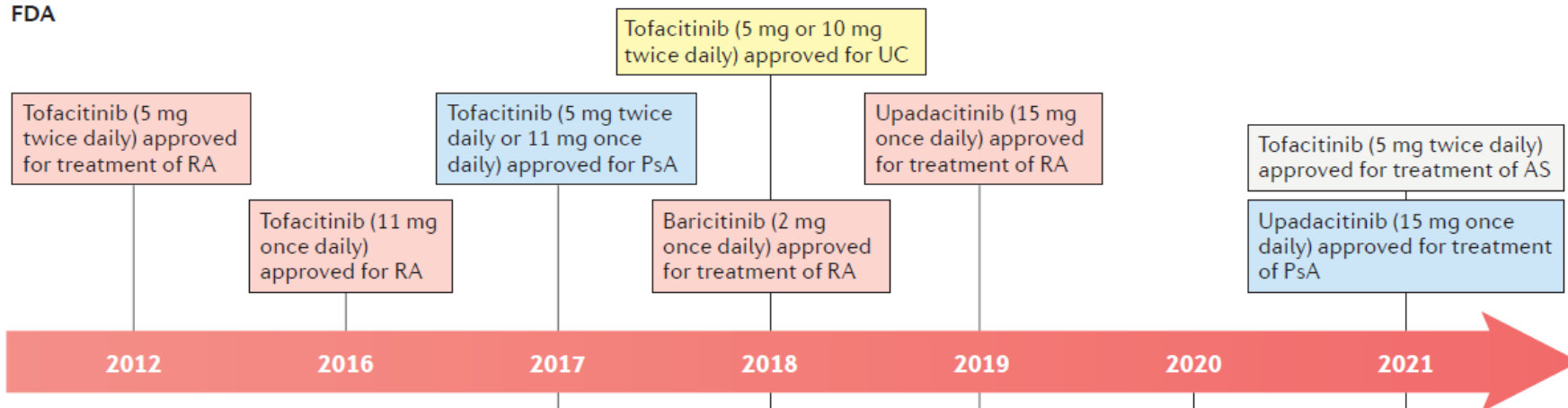
RA patients over age 50 with cardiovascular risk factors appear to be at higher risk for what event(s) when taking tofacitinib 5mg BID as compared to a TNF blocker? (Select all that apply)

- A. Serious infection
- B. Herpes zoster
- C. Malignancy
- D. VTE
- E. Melanoma

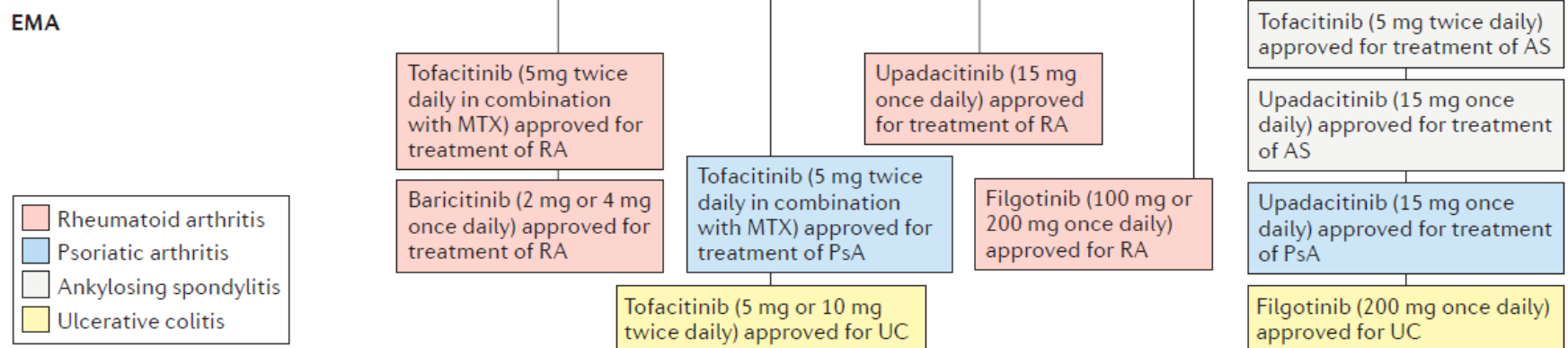
RA AEs of Interest

- **Serious infections, malignancy, cardiovascular disease**
- **Disease activity increases the risk of these outcomes**
- **Relative to no disease control, all DMARDs likely decrease the risk**
- **Safety study evolution**
 - **Biologics Vs MTX**
 - **TNFis vs other biologics**
 - **JAKs versus other biologics**

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- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Psoriatic arthritis
- Ankylosing spondylitis
- Ulcerative colitis

TABLE 1 Mean IC₅₀ values in enzymatic assay for tofacitinib, baricitinib, upadacitinib, and filgotinib inhibition of JAK1, JAK2, JAK3, and TYK2

	IC ₅₀ (nmol/L) [n] ^{a,b}			
	JAK1	JAK2	JAK3	TYK2
Tofacitinib	15 [7]	71 [7]	45 [8]	472 [10]
Baricitinib	0.78 [3]	2 [3]	253 [3]	14 [3]
Upadacitinib	0.76 [3]	19 [3]	224 [3]	118 [3]
Filgotinib	45 [3]	357 [3]	9097 [3]	397 [3]

Abbreviations: ATP, adenosine triphosphate; IC₅₀, half-maximal inhibitory concentration; JAK, Janus kinase; TYK, tyrosine kinase.

^aIC₅₀ values represent the geometric mean of independent experiments; [n] denotes the number of experiments.

^bAll reactions were carried out in the presence of 1 mmol/L ATP.

Table 3. Mean changes in selected laboratory parameters after drug start by individual JAK inhibitor and its reported JAK selectivity.[‡]

	Tofacitinib	Peficitinib	Baricitinib	Decernotinib	Filgotinib	ABT-494
JAK “selectivity”	JAK 1,3	JAK 1,3	JAK 1,2	JAK 3	JAK 1	JAK 1
Lymphocytes	Decreased	No change	No change	Decreased	No change	Decreased
NK cells	Decreased	Not reported	Decrease [‡]	Not reported	No change	Decrease
Neutrophils	Decrease	Decrease	Decrease	Decrease	Decreased	Decrease
Hemoglobin	Increased	Increased	Decrease	No change	Increase	Decrease
Platelets	Decrease	Decrease	No change	Not reported	Decreased	Not reported
LFTs	Increased	Not reported	Increase	increase	No change	Increased
CPK	Increased	Increased	Increase	Not reported	Not reported	Increased
HDL	Increased	Increase	Increased	No change	Increased	Increased
LDL	Increased	Increase	Increased	Increase	No change	Increased
Creatinine	Increased	Increase	Increased	increase	Increase	Increased

[‡]These are general trends reported in the development program for each compound. Magnitude of change varies by compound, and within each compound, by dose. In some cases, changes were seen at only certain doses (e.g. high doses). Note: grade changes for laboratory parameters can occur in the opposite direction of mean trends for a given parameter. Also note, in some cases, reported experience involves a very small number of exposed patients such that these estimations of laboratory change are less robust (e.g. decernotinib, peficitinib).

[‡]Initial rise followed by a decrease

JAKi and COVID Severity

Rheumatoid arthritis

Table 2 Frequencies and proportions of outcomes in the ordinal COVID-19 severity scale according to baseline use of biologic or targeted synthetic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug for patients with rheumatoid arthritis at the time of COVID-19 onset (N=2869)

COVID-19 severity scale	Overall N=2869 n (%)	Abatacept n=237 n (%)	Rituximab n=364 n (%)	IL-6 inhibitors n=317 n (%)	JAK inhibitors n=563 n (%)	TNF inhibitors n=1388 n (%)
Not hospitalised	2256 (78.6)	181 (76.4)	210 (57.7)	271 (85.5)	409 (72.6)	1185 (85.4)
Hospitalised without oxygenation	137 (4.8)	12 (5.1)	20 (5.5)	13 (4.1)	28 (5.0)	64 (4.6)
Hospitalised with any oxygen or ventilation	319 (11.1)	26 (11.0)	80 (22.0)	24 (7.6)	86 (15.3)	103 (7.4)
Death	157 (5.5)	18 (7.6)	54 (14.8)	9 (2.8)	40 (7.1)	36 (2.6)

IL-6, interleukin 6; JAK, Janus kinase; TNF, tumour necrosis factor.

Table 4 Multivariable* OR of biologic or targeted synthetic disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs at each binary level of the COVID-19 severity scale (N=2869)

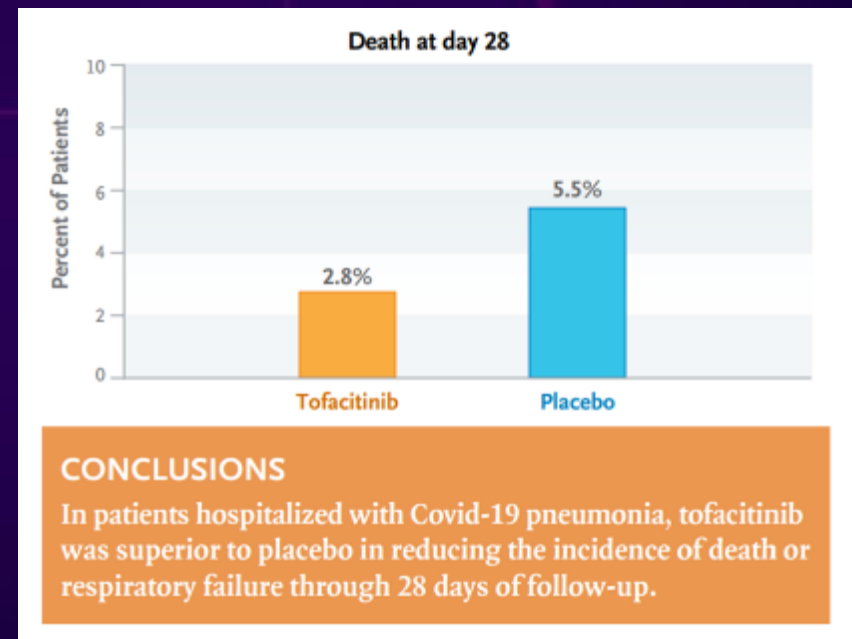
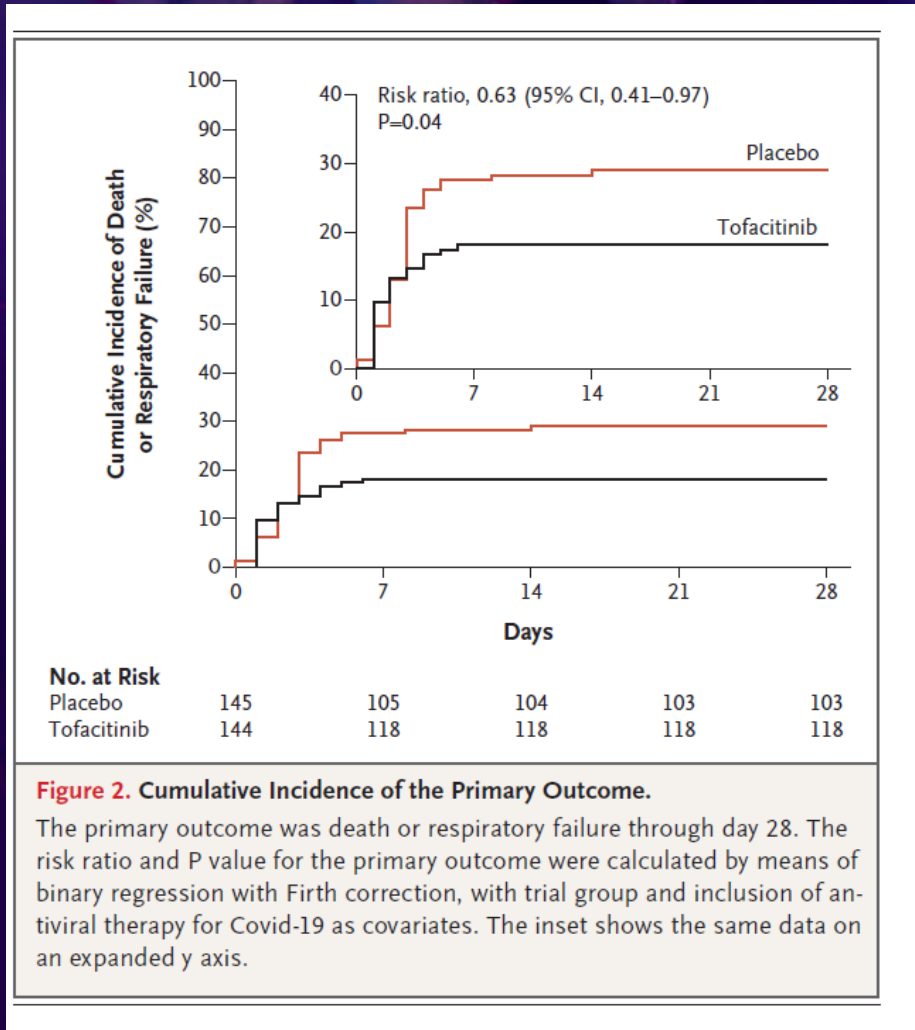
COVID-19 outcome	Abatacept		Rituximab		IL-6 inhibitors		JAK inhibitors		TNF inhibitors
	OR (95% CI)	P value	OR (95% CI)	P value	OR (95% CI)	P value	OR (95% CI)	P value	
Hospitalised	1.18 (0.76 to 1.82)	0.47	4.53 (3.32 to 6.18)	<0.01	0.84 (0.53 to 1.33)	0.45	2.40 (1.78 to 3.24)	<0.01	Ref
Hospitalised with oxygenation/ventilation or death	1.12 (0.70 to 1.81)	0.63	2.87 (2.03 to 4.06)	<0.01	0.72 (0.43 to 1.20)	0.20	1.55 (1.04 to 2.18)	0.01	Ref
Death	1.46 (0.72 to 2.89)	0.30	4.57 (3.32 to 9.01)	<0.01	1.13 (0.50 to 2.59)	0.77	2.04 (1.58 to 2.65)	<0.01	Ref
Mechanical ventilation (restricted to only hospitalised patients, n=613)	1.41 (0.94 to 2.10)	0.09	4.05 (3.08 to 5.33)	<0.01	0.75 (0.51 to 1.10)	0.14	2.03 (1.56 to 2.62)	<0.01	Ref
Mechanical ventilation or death	1.14 (0.78 to 1.66)	0.50	4.44 (3.39 to 5.82)	<0.01	0.74 (0.50 to 1.09)	0.12	2.02 (1.56 to 2.61)	<0.01	Ref

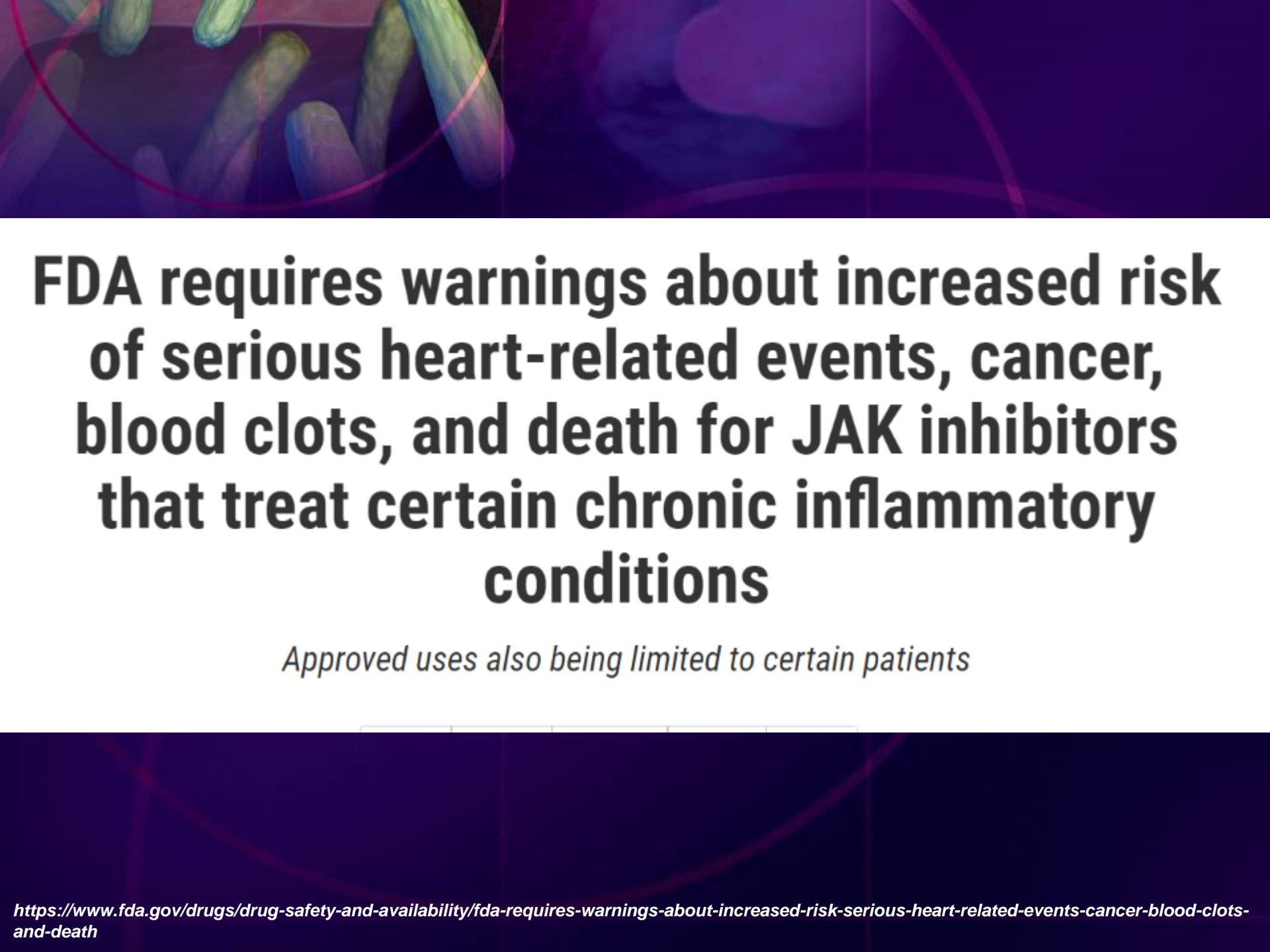
*Adjusted for age, sex, region, calendar time, obesity, smoking, concomitant csDMARD use, glucocorticoid use/dose, comorbidity count, hypertension/cardiovascular disease, interstitial lung disease, cancer and rheumatoid arthritis disease activity.
csDMARD, conventional synthetic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; IL-6, interleukin 6; JAK, Janus kinase; Ref, reference; TNF, tumour necrosis factor.

Cov-Barrier

- 79% steroids, 19% Rem
- Reduction of mortality
 - 8.1% vs 13.1% (HR: 0.57; 95% CI: 0.41, 0.78)
- Primary endpoint progress to ventilation (non-invasive or mechanical) or death
 - -2.7% (p=0.18)
- Safety
 - SIE 8.5% bari vs 9.8% placebo
 - VTE 2.7% bari vs 2.5% placebo

Tofa and Hospitalized COVID



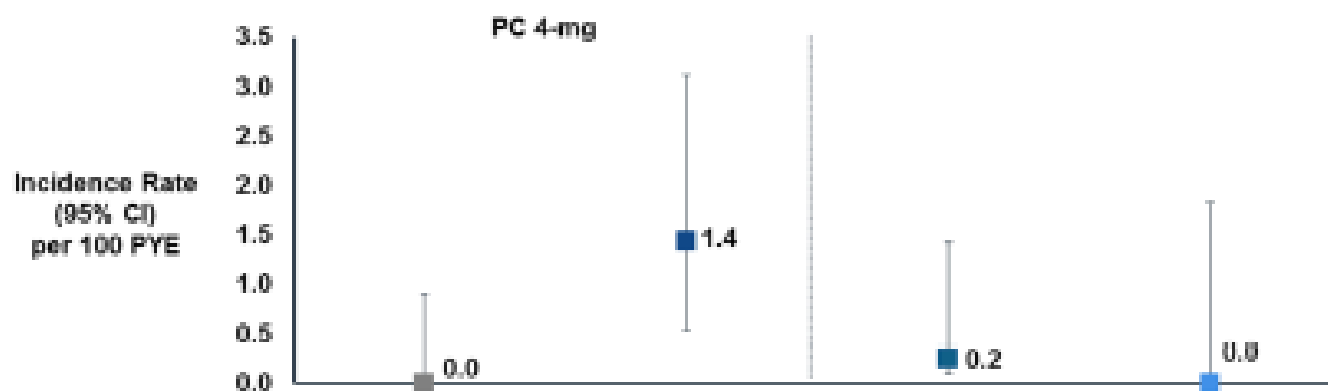


FDA requires warnings about increased risk of serious heart-related events, cancer, blood clots, and death for JAK inhibitors that treat certain chronic inflammatory conditions

Approved uses also being limited to certain patients

VTE Risk and Baricitinib

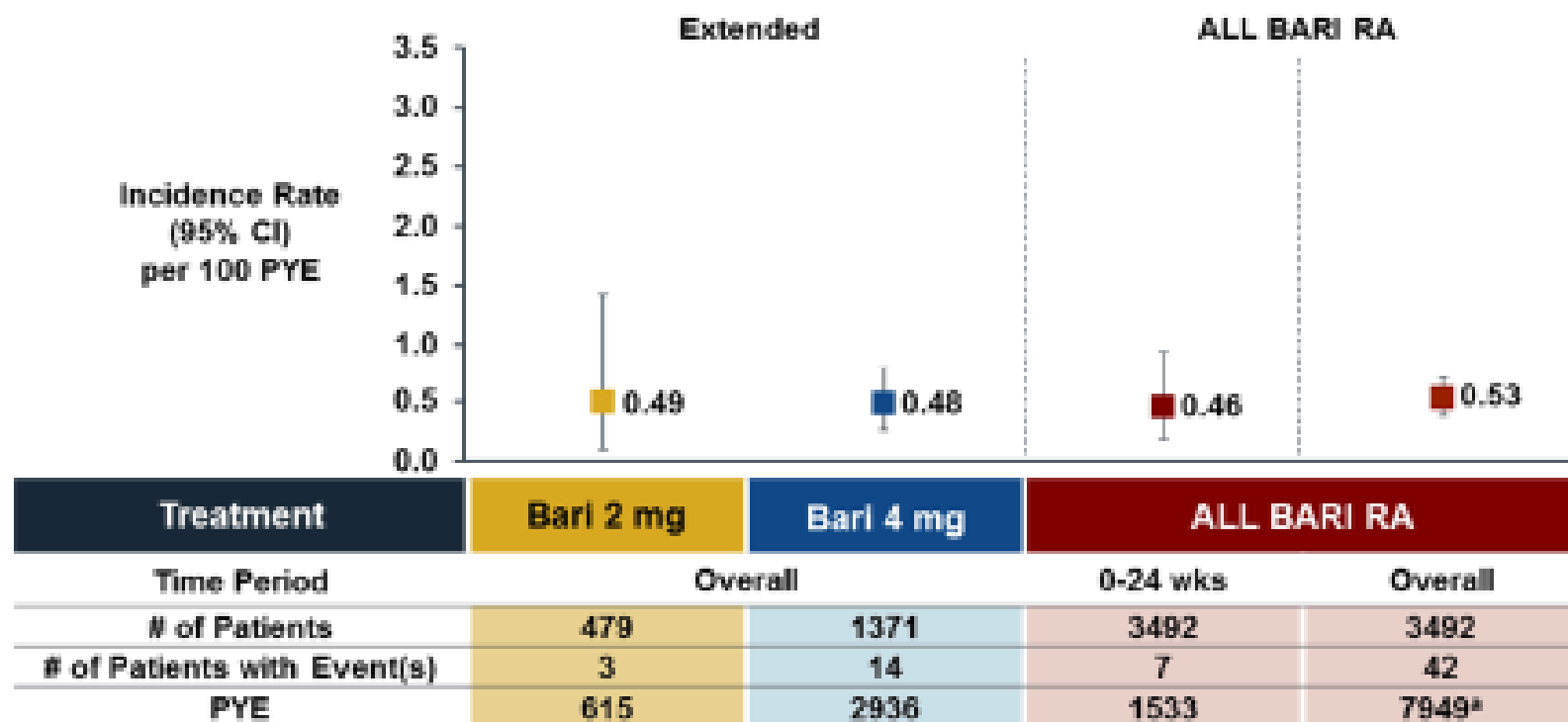
Figure 25: VTE Incidence Rates during First 24 Weeks of Baricitinib Exposure for the PC 4-mg Dataset and Rescued or Switched Groups



Treatment	PBO	BARI 4 mg	PBO → BARI 4 mg	Active → BARI 4 mg
Time Period	24 wks post-randomization		24 wks post-switch or rescue	24 wks post-switch or rescue
# of Patients	1070	997	928	451
# of Patients with Event(s)	0	6	1	0
PYE	406	418	410	203

VTE and Bari

Figure 26: VTE Incidence Rates for Extended and All BARI RA Datasets

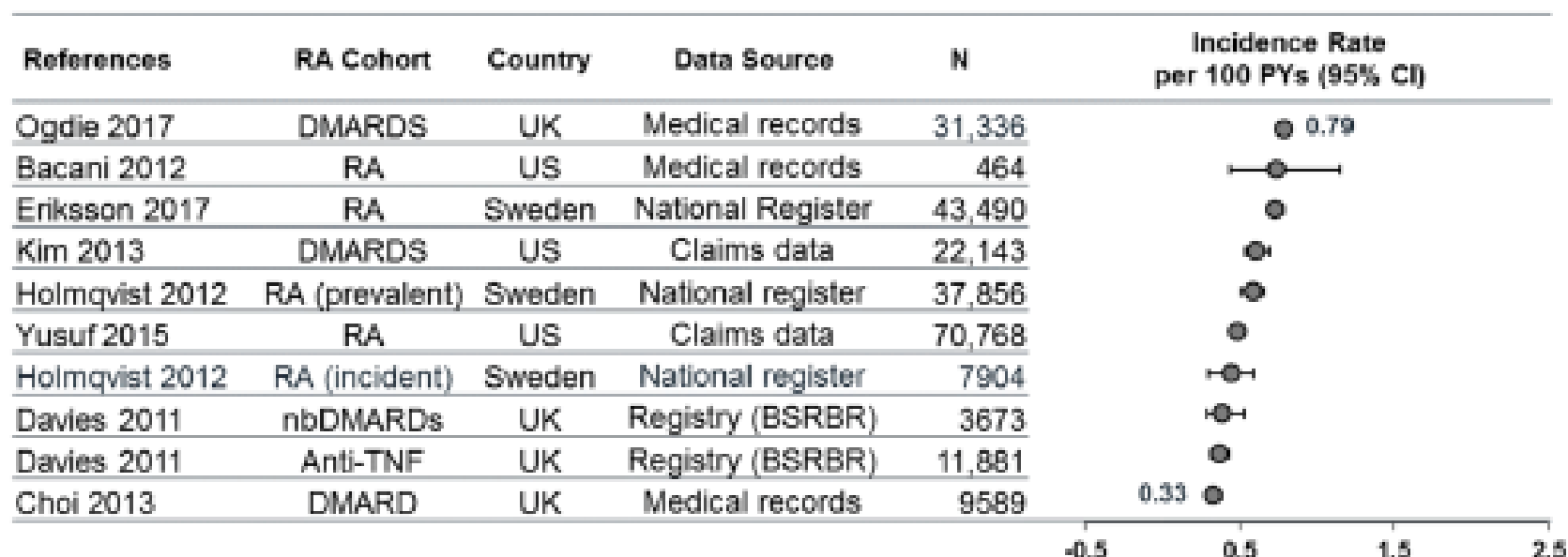


Abbreviations: BARI = Baricitinib; CI = confidence interval; PYE = patient years exposure; VTE = venous thromboembolism.

^a Includes follow up time

VTE Risk in RA (Real World)

Figure 67: Incidence Rates of VTE among RA Patients Reported in Published Observational Studies

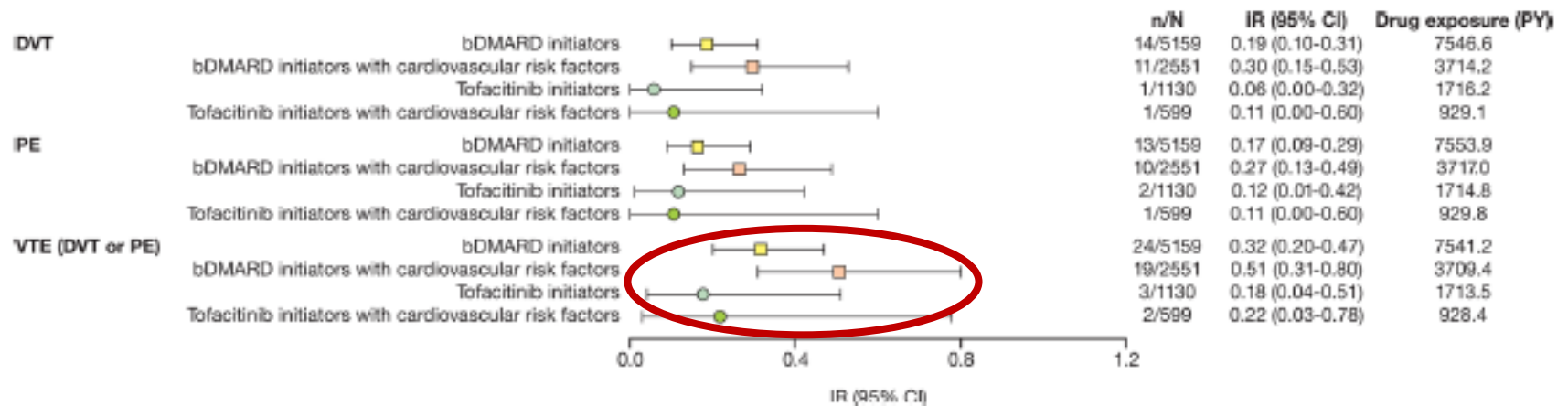


Abbreviations: BSRBR = British Society for Rheumatology Biologics Registers; DMARD = disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; nbDMARD = non-biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; RA = rheumatoid arthritis; TNF = tumor necrosis factor; UK = United Kingdom; US = United States

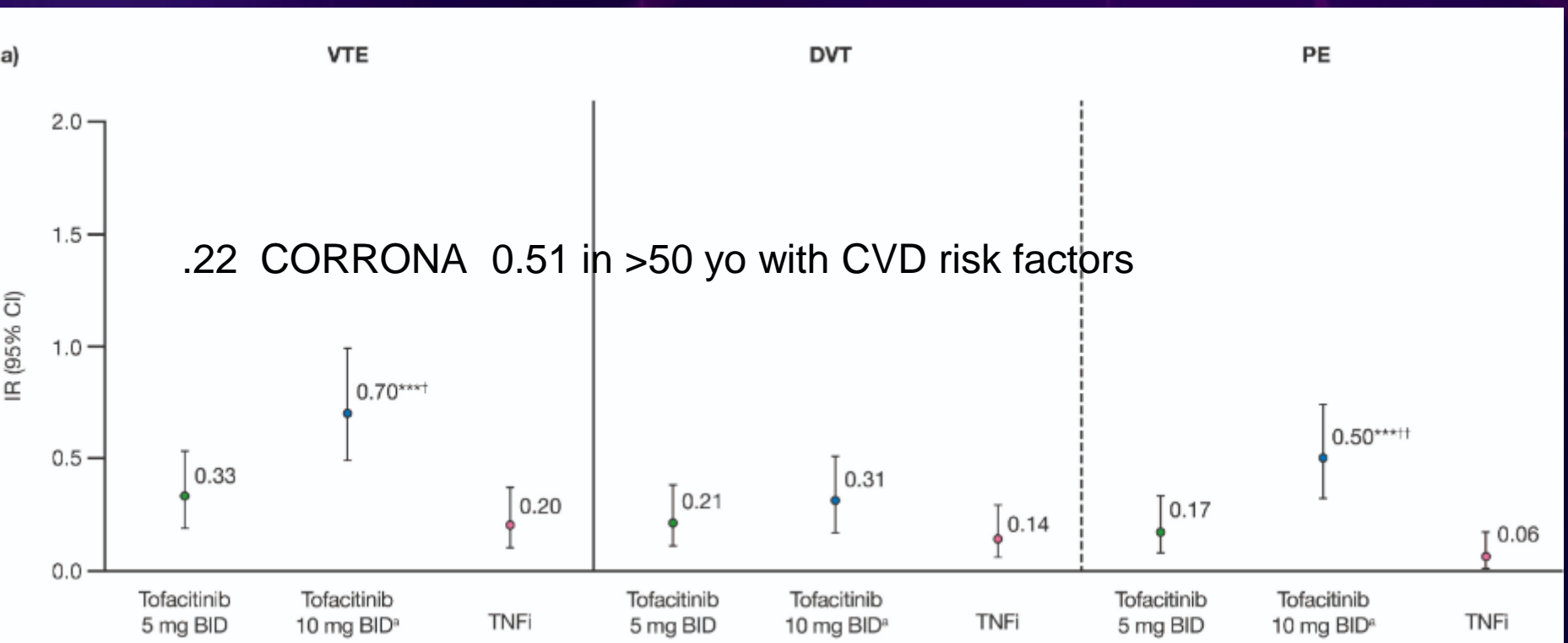
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Real World Risk

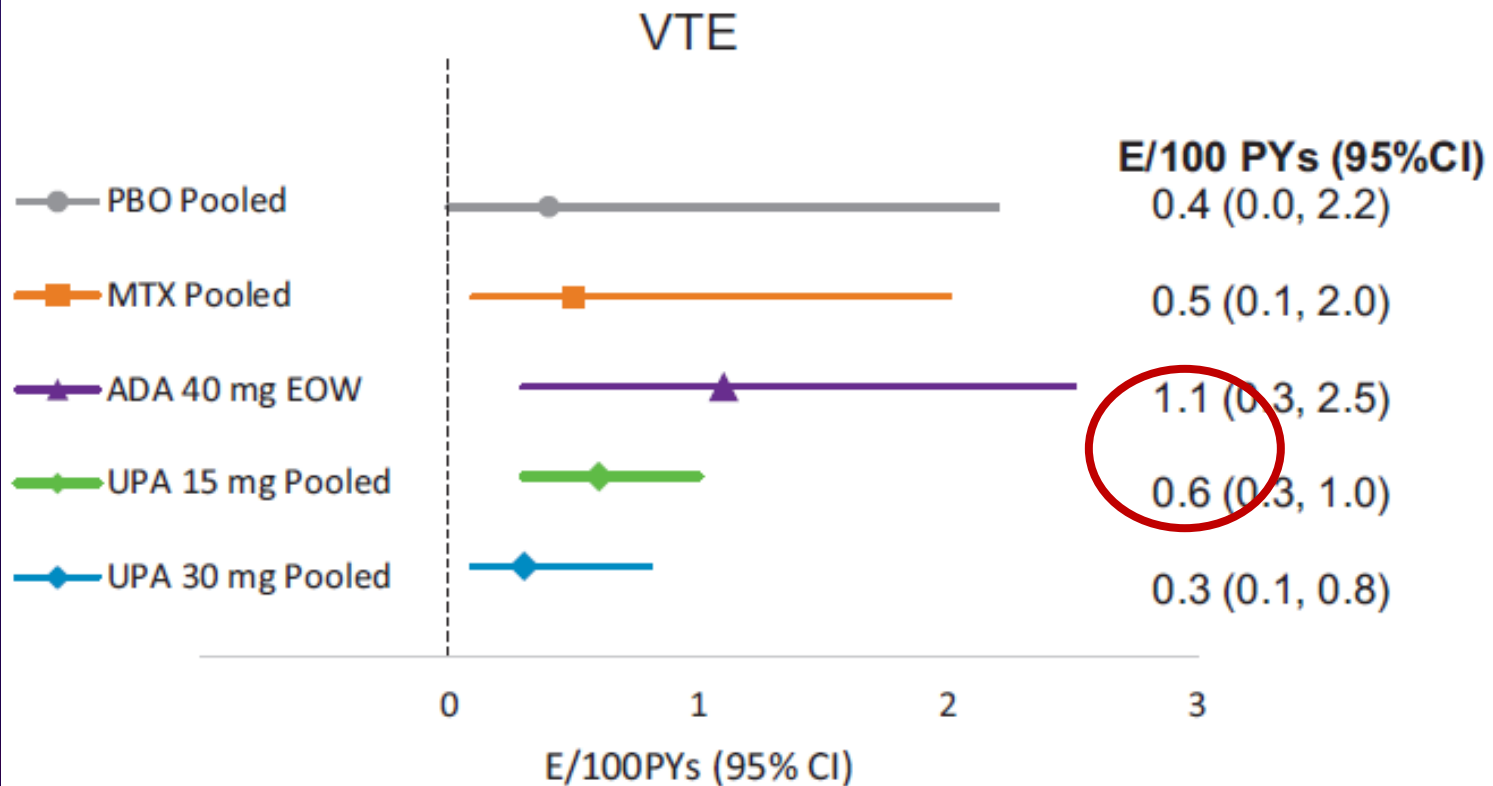
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Oral Surveillance VTE

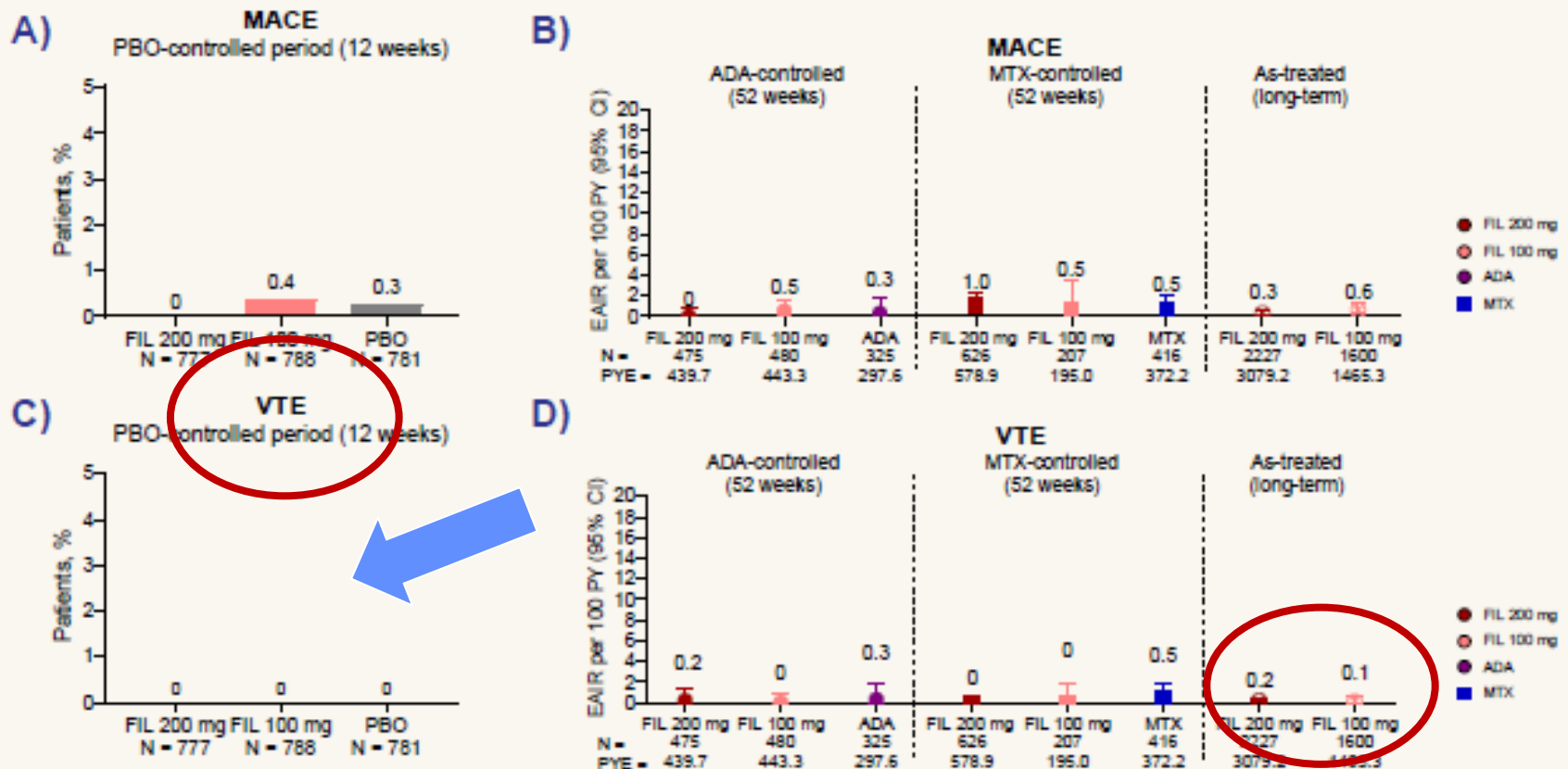


Upa ISS in Phase 3 RA



Filgo phase 2/3 ISS

Figure 3. MACE and VTE incidence rates in the PBO-controlled set (A, C) and EAIRs in the active-controlled and long-term analysis sets (B, D)



ADA, adalimumab; CI, confidence interval; EAIR, exposure-adjusted incidence rate; FIL, filgotinib; MACE, major adverse cardiovascular event; MTX, methotrexate; PBO, placebo; PY, patient-years; PYE, patient-years exposure; VTE, venous thromboembolism.

Malignancy and Tofa

Table 2 IRs and SIRs for all malignancies (excluding NMSC), lymphoma, lung and breast cancer for tofacitinib-treated patients with RA (across phase II, III and LTE studies)

	IR Events/100 py (95% CI) Tofacitinib N=5671	SIR ^{26*} (95% CI) Tofacitinib N=5671
All malignancies (excluding NMSC)	0.85 (0.70 to 1.02)	1.17 (0.96 to 1.41)
Lymphoma	0.08 (0.04 to 0.14)	2.64 (1.27 to 4.86)
Lung cancer	0.19 (0.13 to 0.28)	2.19 (1.39 to 3.29)
Breast cancer	0.18 (0.12 to 0.28)	0.78 (0.47 to 1.22)

Tofacitinib data up to 10 April 2013.

*SEER database (US General Population), SIR data adjusted for age and sex.

IR, incidence rate; LTE, long-term extension; NMSC, non-melanoma skin cancer; py, patient-years; RA, rheumatoid arthritis; SEER, Surveillance Epidemiology and End Result; SIR, standardised incidence ratio as compared with the SEER database.

Tofa Malignancy Vs TNFi

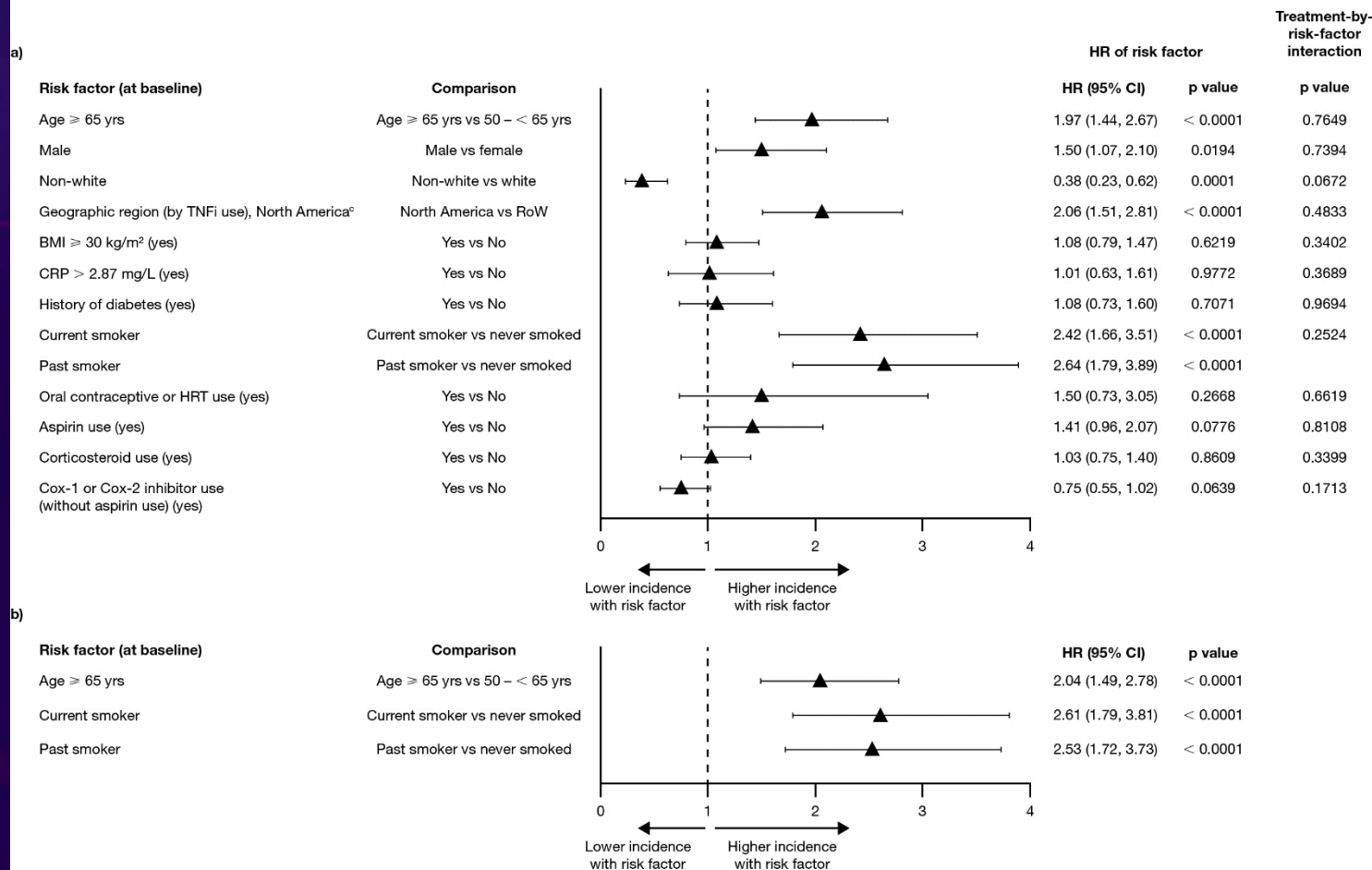
Adjudicated Malignancies Excluding NMSC*

	Tofacitinib 5 mg BID	Tofacitinib 10 mg BID**	Tofacitinib Doses Combined	TNFi
Total number of subjects	1455	1456	2911	1451
Number of subjects with first event within the risk period*** (%)	62 (4.26)	60 (4.12)	122 (4.19)	42 (2.89)
Person-years	5491.48	5311.71	10803.19	5482.30
IR (95% CI) (number of subjects with event/100 person-years)	1.13 (0.87, 1.45)	1.13 (0.86, 1.45)	1.13 (0.94, 1.35)	0.77 (0.55, 1.04)
HR (95% CI) for tofacitinib vs TNFi	1.47 (1.00, 2.18)	1.48 (1.00, 2.19)	1.48 (1.04, 2.09)****	

**Including a statistically increased risk of Lung cancer for 10mg BID
MV model---age >65yo and smoking risk factors for malignancy overall**

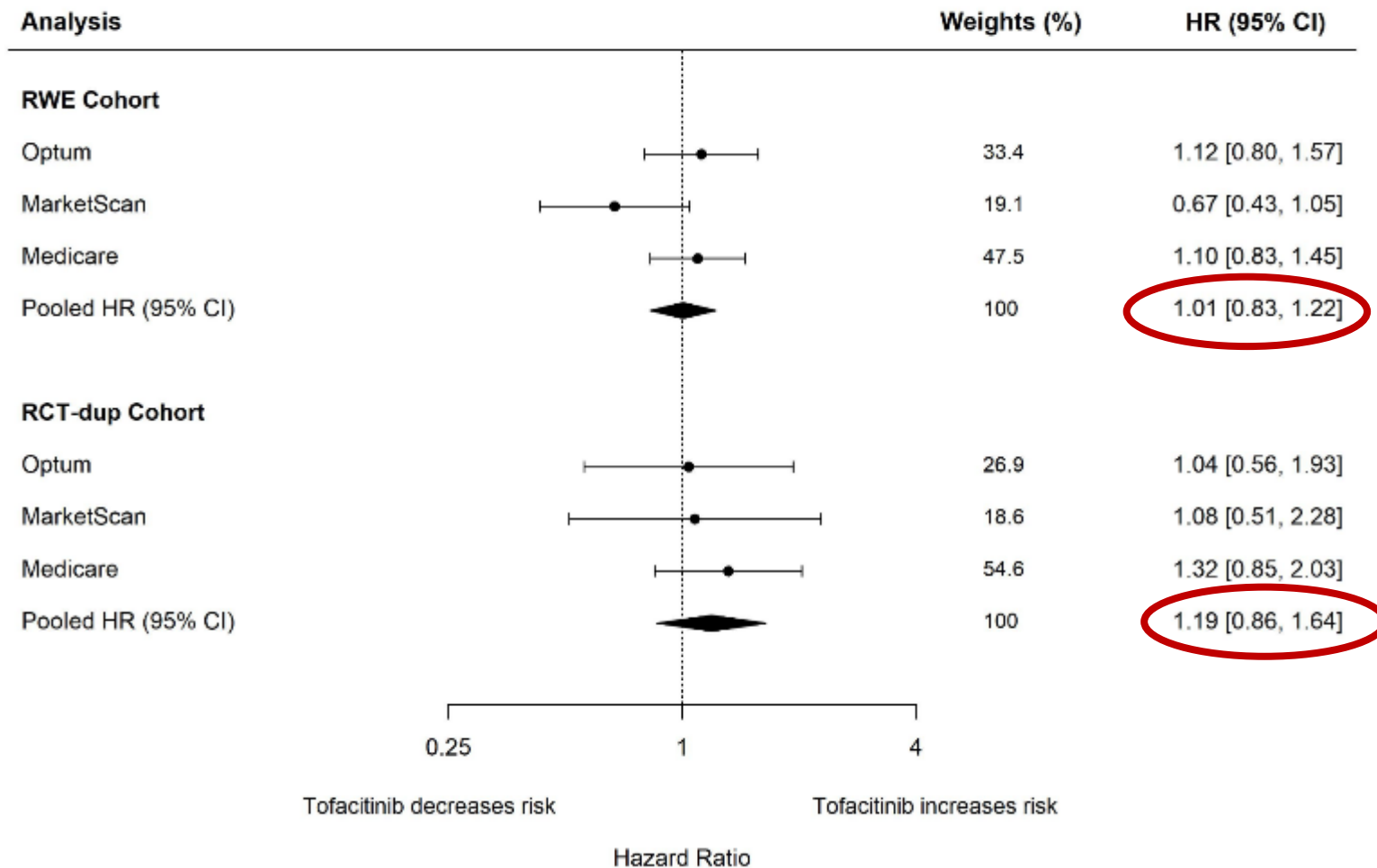
Tofa Malignancy MV Model

Figure 1. Risk factors at baseline for all malignancies excluding NMSC in ORAL Surveillance: a) univariate analysis of potential risk factors and their interaction with treatment^a; b) multivariate analysis of potential independent overall risk^b

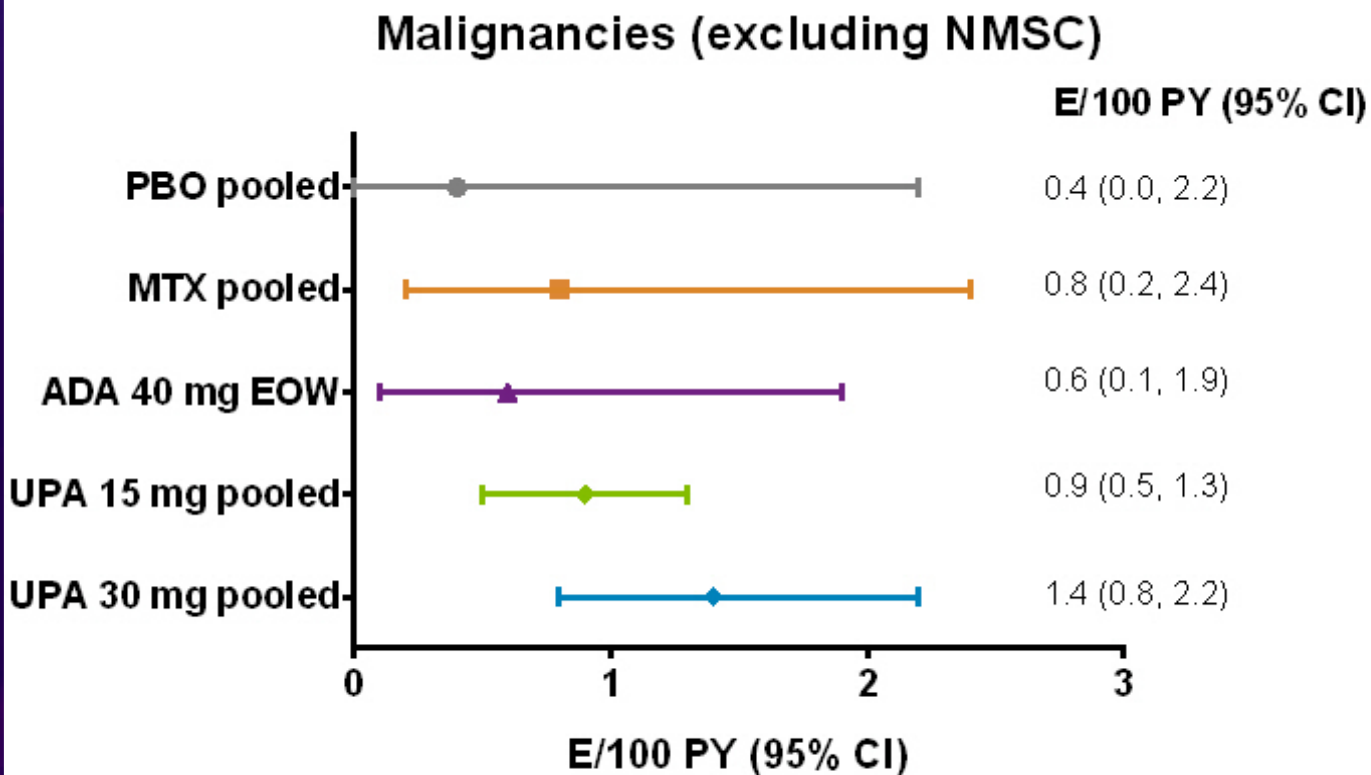


Tofa Vs TNFi

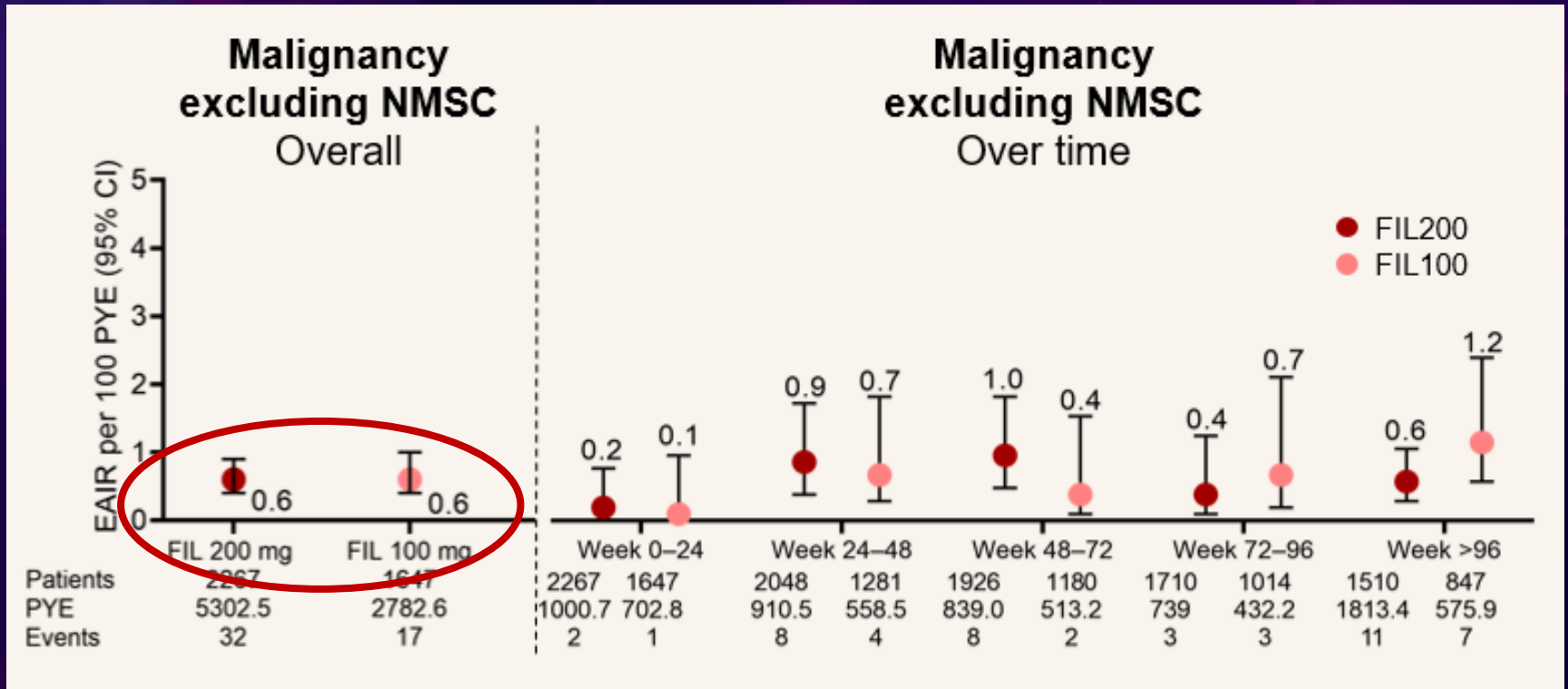
Real World Malignancy



Upa ISS in RA



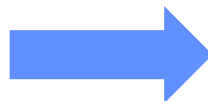
Filgo Malignancy

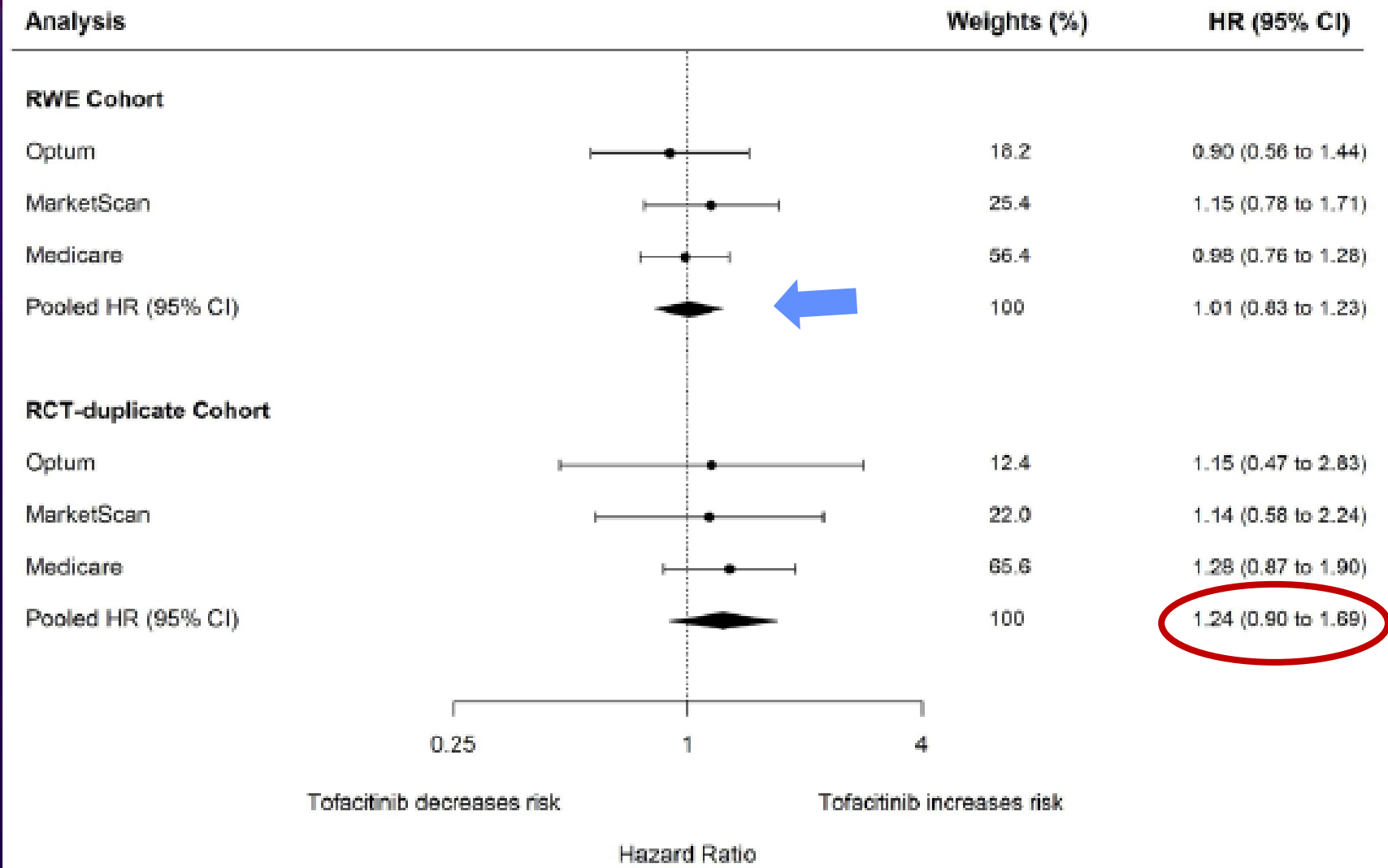


MACE Tofa Vs TNFi

Adjudicated MACE*

	Tofacitinib 5 mg BID	Tofacitinib 10 mg BID**	Tofacitinib Doses Combined	TNFi
Total number of subjects	1455	1456	2911	1451
Number of subjects with first event within the risk period*** (%)	47 (3.23)	51 (3.50)	98 (3.37)	37 (2.55)
Person-years	5166.32	4871.96	10038.28	5045.27
IR (95% CI) (number of subjects with event/100 person-years)	0.91 (0.67, 1.21)	1.05 (0.78, 1.38)	0.98 (0.79, 1.19)	0.73 (0.52, 1.01)
HR (95% CI) for tofacitinib vs TNFi	1.24 (0.81, 1.91)	1.43 (0.94, 2.18)	1.33 (0.91, 1.94)****	





ENTRACTE Trial

MACE: Tocilizumab Vs. Etanercept

First event IR was 0.73 ADA in ORALSURV

End point	Etanercept		Tocilizumab		HR†	95% CI†
	No. (%) first events	No. first events/ 100 person- years (95% CI)	No. (%) first events	No. first events/ 100 person- years (95% CI)		
Primary end point of MACE, including undetermined cause of death						
ITT population‡	78 (5)	1.70 (1.35–2.10)	83 (5)	1.82 (1.46–2.24)	1.05	0.77–1.43
On-treatment population§	52 (3)	1.28 (0.97–1.66)	57 (4)	1.44 (1.10–1.85)	1.11	0.76–1.62
Sensitivity analysis of primary end point (ITT population)						
MACE, excluding undetermined cause of death	72 (5)	1.57 (1.24–1.97)	74 (5)	1.63 (1.29–2.03)	1.01	0.73–1.40

Active RA and >50 yo with CVD risk factor(s)

ABA vs TNFi in CV Patients

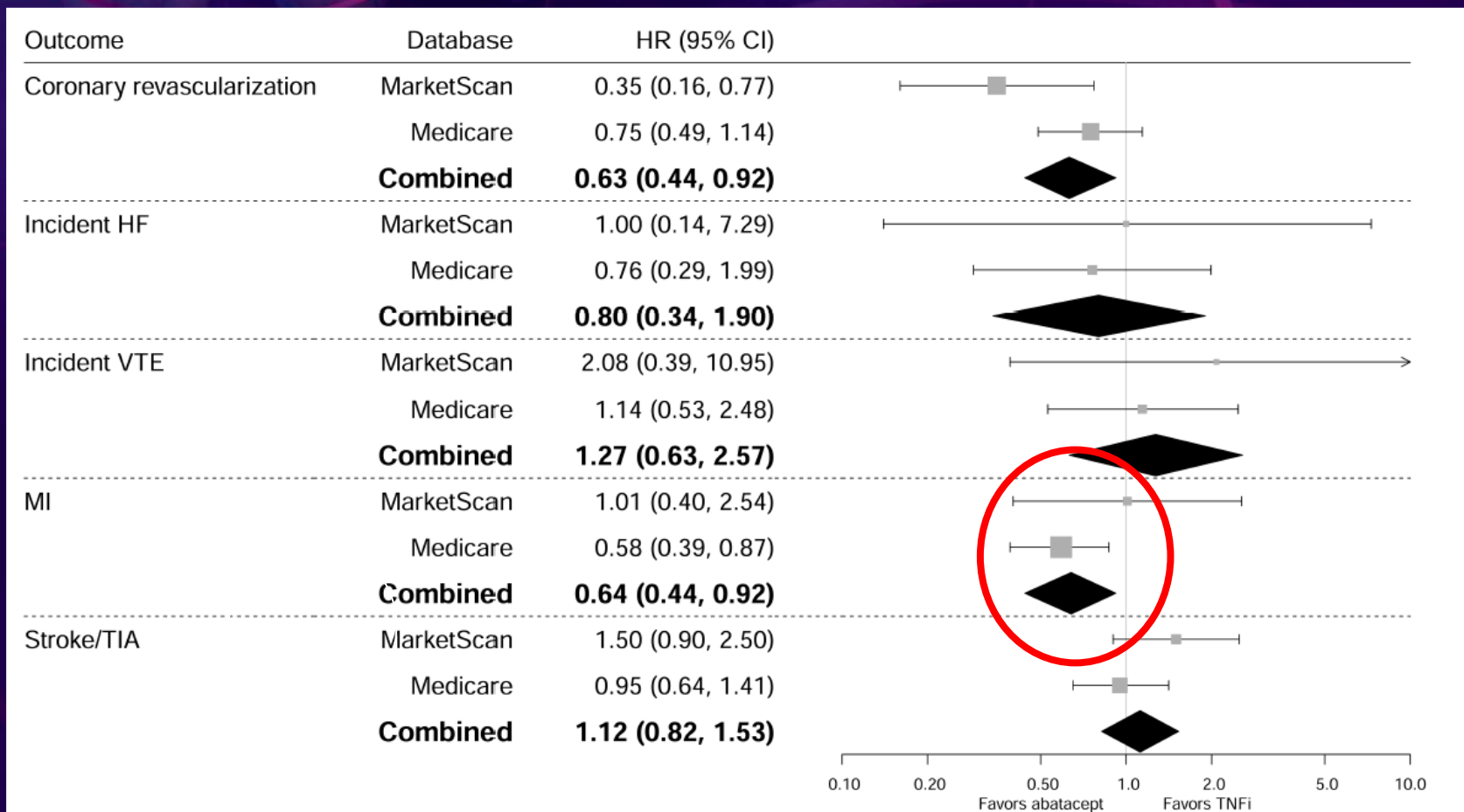


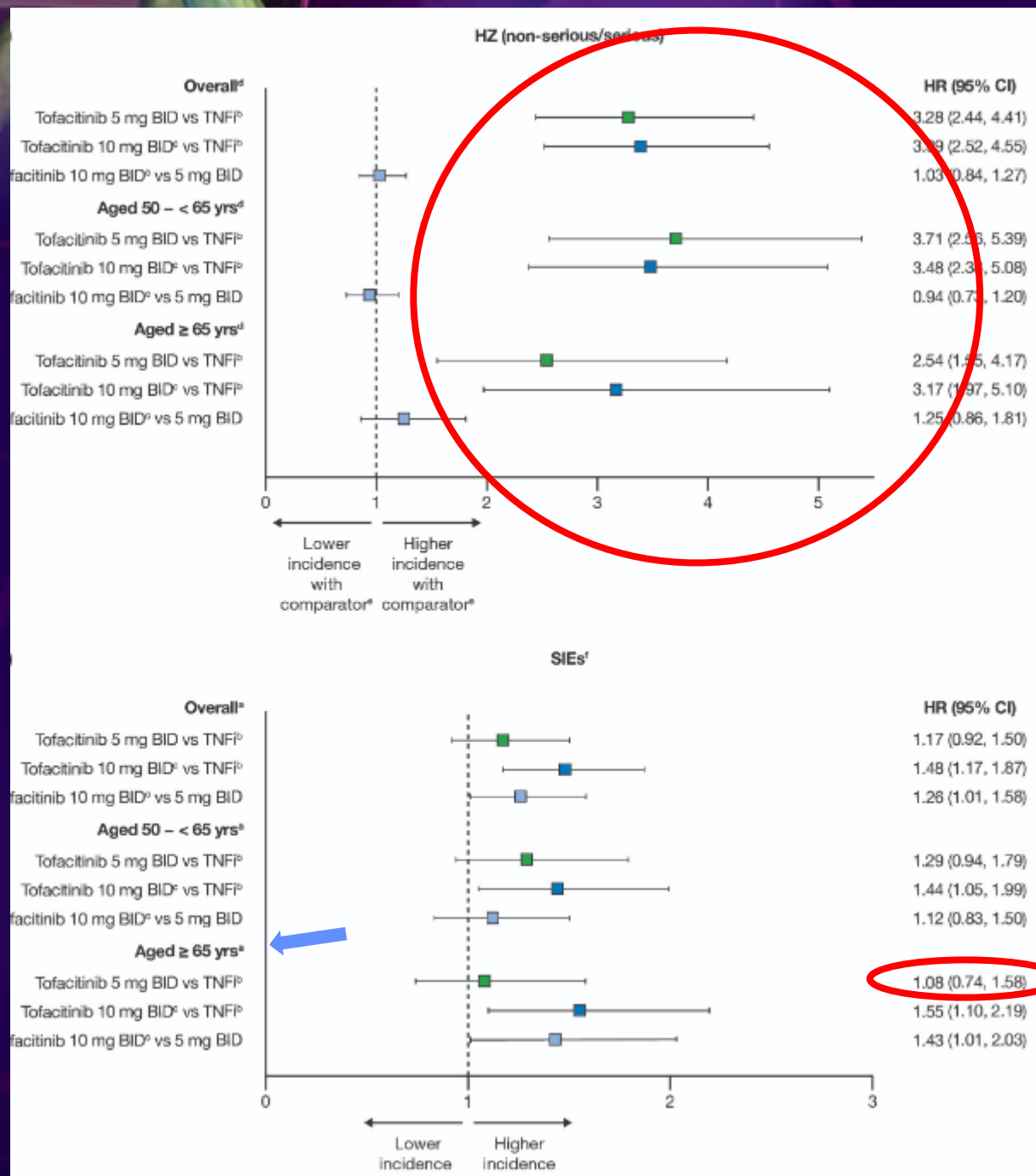
Figure 3. Risk of secondary outcomes for ABA versus TNFi after PS matching in baseline CVD+ subgroup. ABA: abatacept; CVD: cardiovascular disease; HF: heart failure; MI: myocardial infarction; VTE: venous thromboembolism; TNFi: tumor necrosis factor inhibitor.

EMA CHMP Announcement

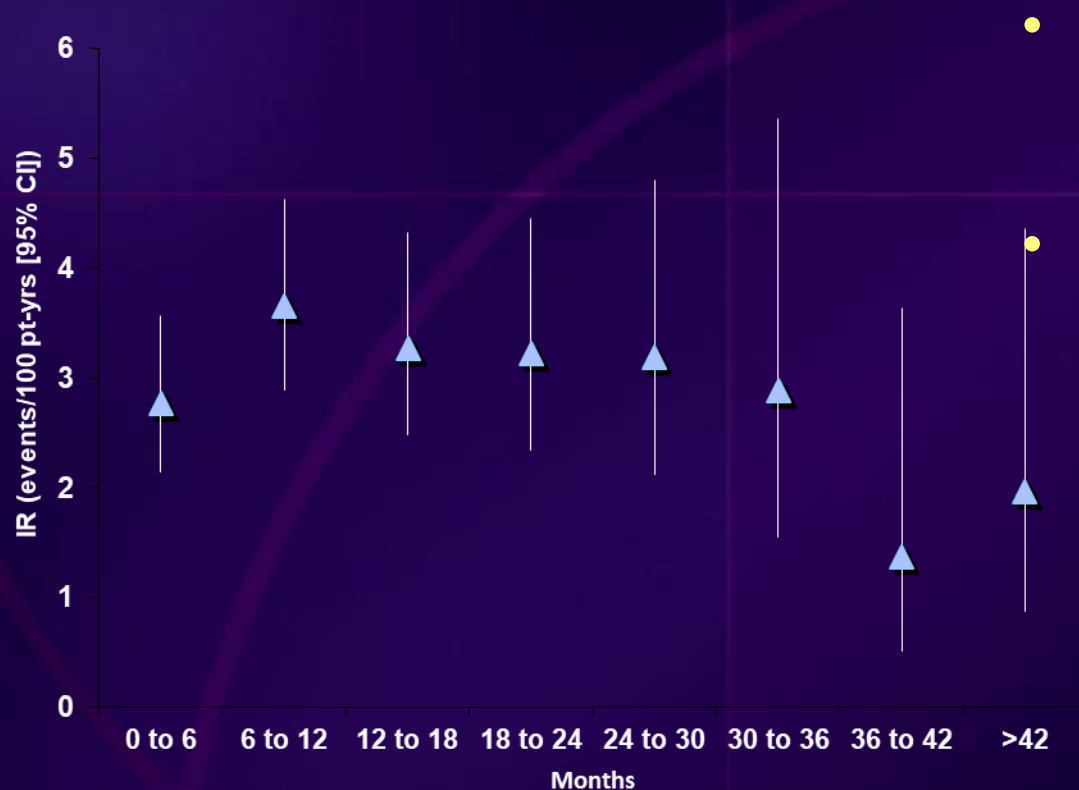
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- “As a result, tofacitinib should be used with caution in patients with known risk factors for VTE, regardless of indication and dosage. This includes patients who have had a heart attack or have heart failure, cancer, inherited blood clotting disorders or a history of blood clots, as well as patients taking combined hormonal contraceptives or hormone replacement therapy, are undergoing major surgery or are immobile.”
- “Other risk factors to be considered when prescribing tofacitinib include age, diabetes, obesity (BMI>30), smoking status and hypertension.”
- **“Available data also showed that the risk of serious infections and fatal infections was further increased in elderly patients above 65 years of age, as compared to younger patients. Therefore, tofacitinib should only be considered in these patients if no suitable alternative treatment is available.”**

Oral Surveillance Tofa



Incidence Rates of Serious Infections (SIs) by 6-Month Intervals



- Overall SI rate reported with tofacitinib:

— 3.1/100pys

- Rates previously reported in RA clinical trial safety analyses

— Adalimumab 3.9–5.1/100pys

— Rituximab 3.9–4.3/100pys

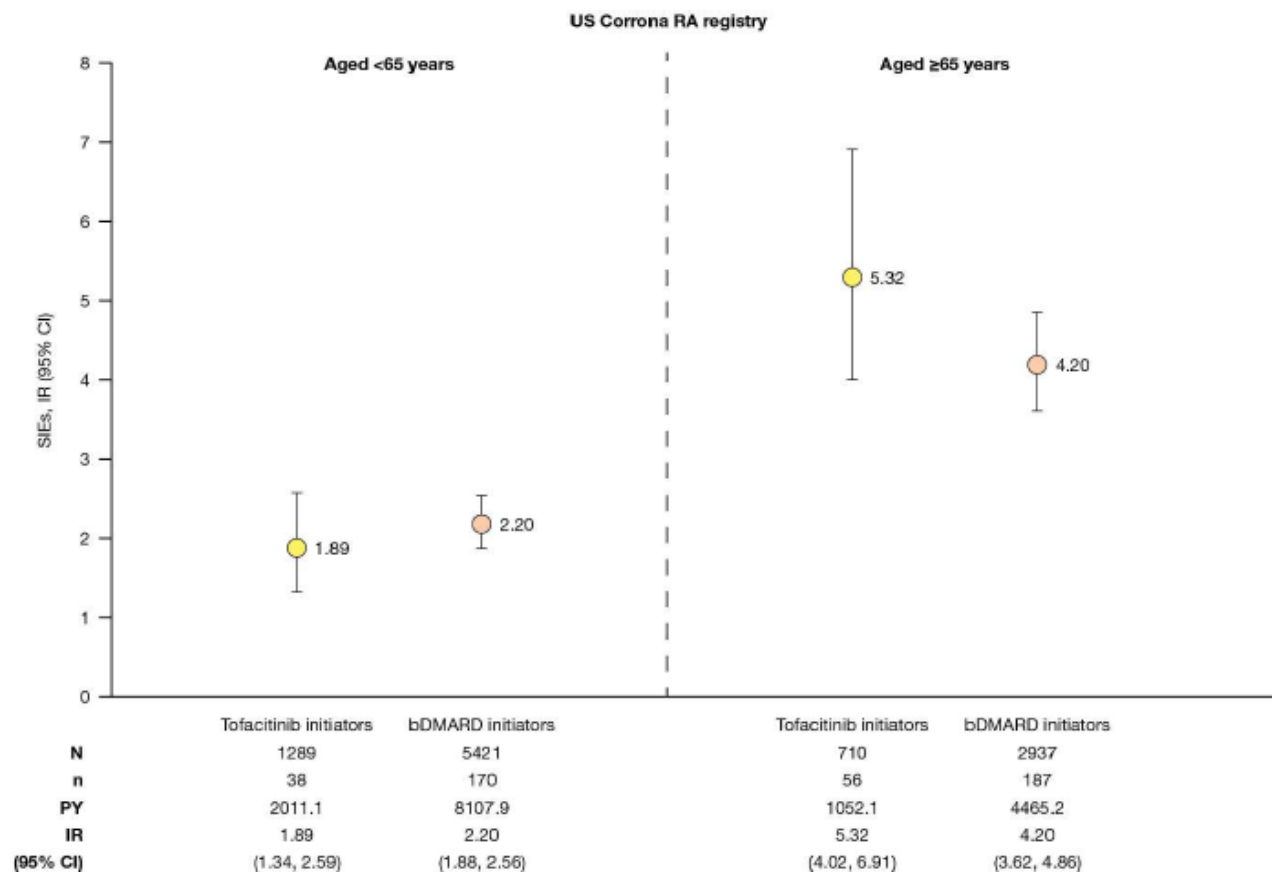
— Tocilizumab 3.8–5.1/100pys

— Etanercept 3.8/100pys

— Abatacept 2.0–3.1/100pys

— Golimumab 5.09/100pys

Supplementary figure S2 IRs (95% CI) of SIEs in the US Corrona RA registry, stratified by age (<65 years or ≥65 years).



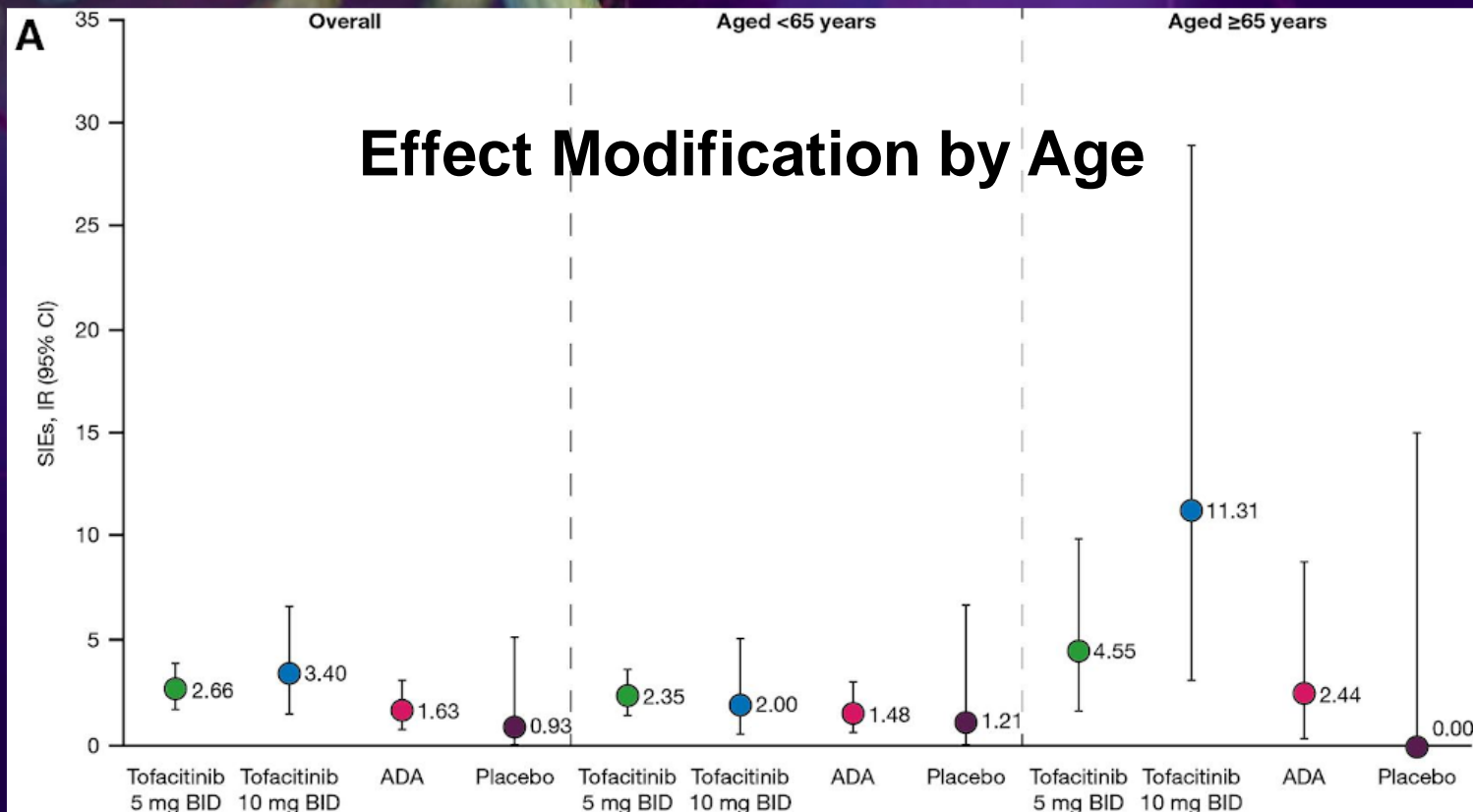
Data from the US Corrona RA registry for patients initiating tofacitinib or bDMARDs between 6 November 2012 and 31 January 2019

Age-/gender-adjusted IR=first events/100 PY

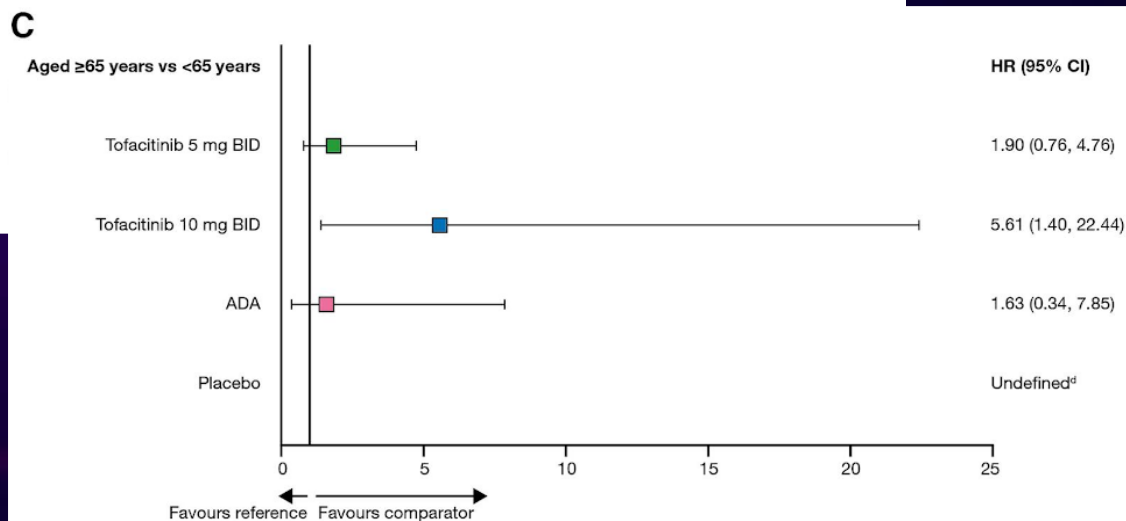
bDMARD, biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; CI, confidence interval; IR, incidence rate;

N, number of patients in each treatment group; n, number of patients with event; PY, patient-years;

RA, rheumatoid arthritis; SIE, serious infection event

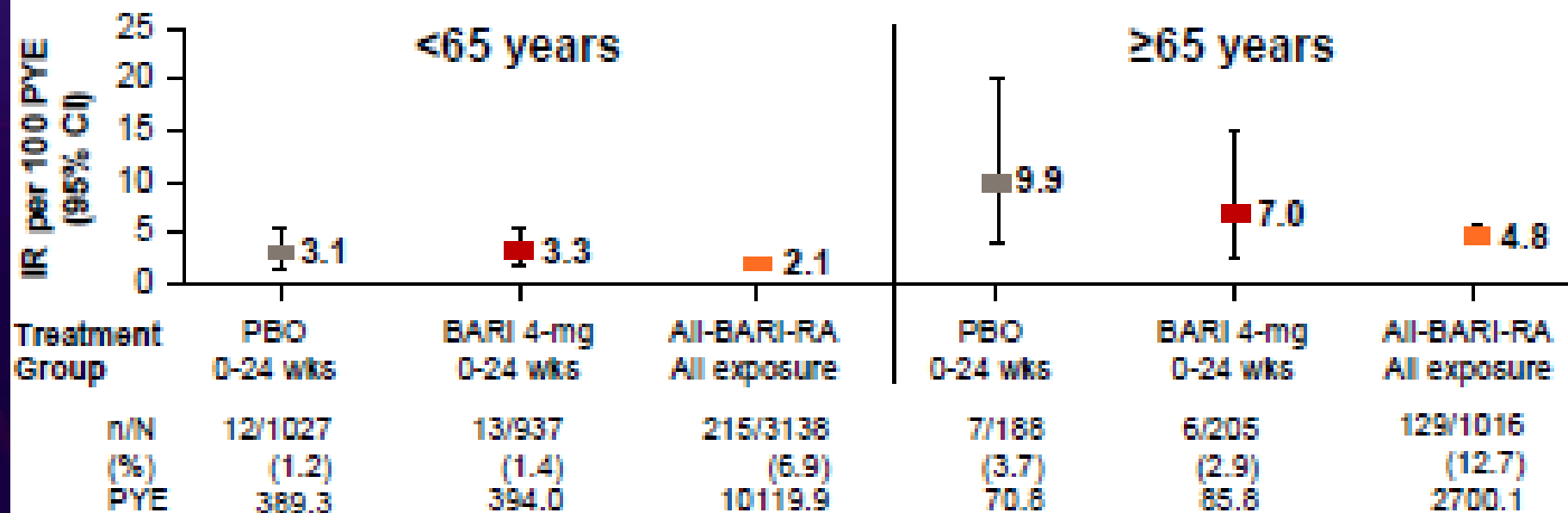


N	1064	306	643	167
n	25	8	9	1
PY	939.6	235.1	553.5	107.3
IR	2.66	3.40	1.63	0.93
(95% CI)	(1.72, 3.93)	(1.47, 6.70)	(0.74, 3.09)	(0.02, 5.19)



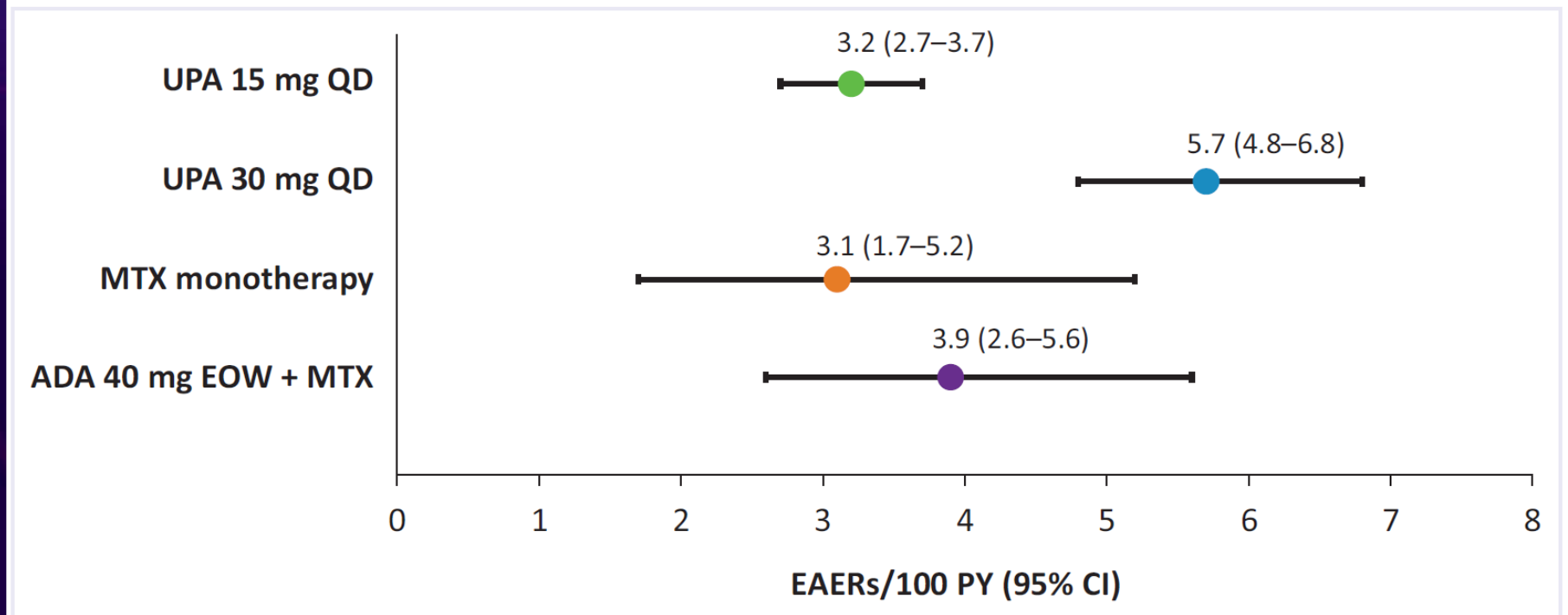
SIE Bari up to 8.5 years

Serious Infections by Age Group



UPA SIE Phase 3

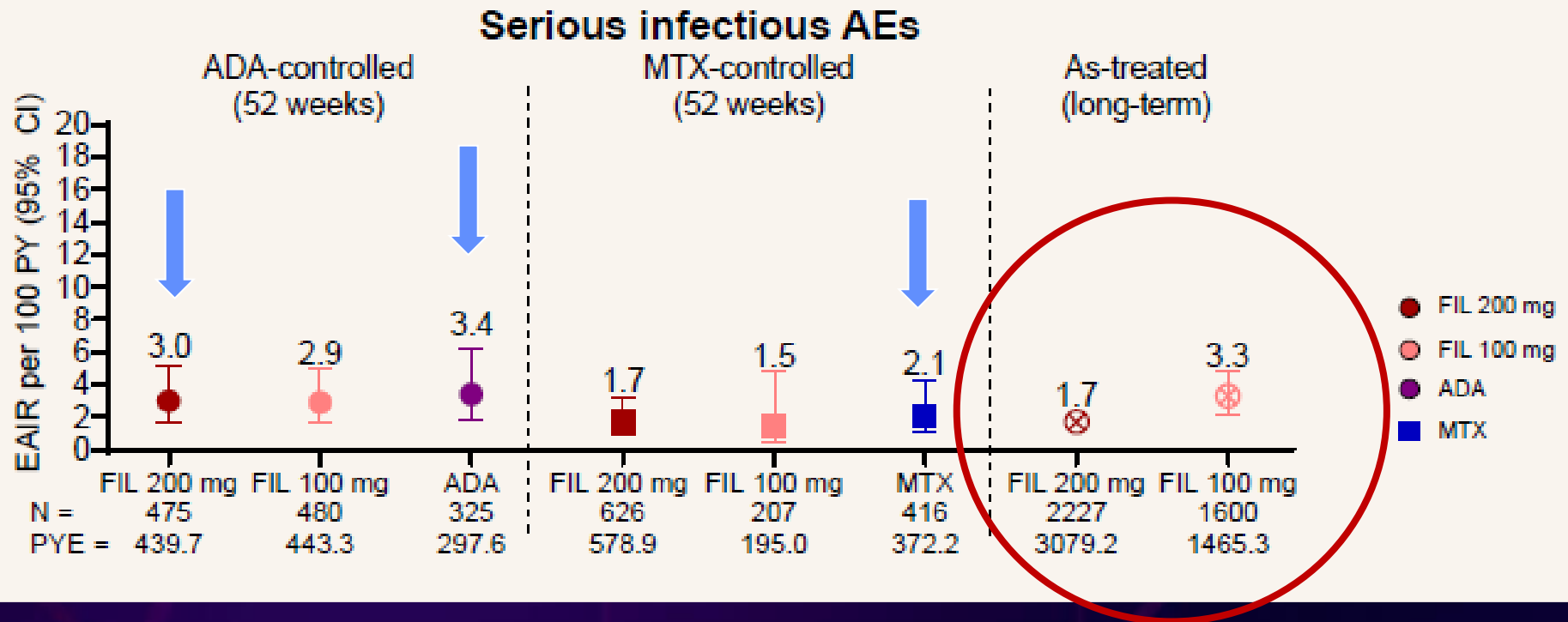
Figure 2. Forest Plot of Exposure-adjusted Serious Infection Rates



ADA, adalimumab; CI, confidence interval; EAERs, exposure-adjusted event rates; EOW, every other week; MTX, methotrexate; PY, patient-years; QD, once daily; UPA, upadacitinib.

Filgo phase 2/3 ISS

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Other Potential Opportunistic Infections

All Baricitinib RA Analysis Set

- ♦ 8 cases of candidiasis, including involvement of the
 - esophagus (6); none were serious/severe, 2 did not require treatment
 - lung (1); pre-existing bronchiectasis
 - soft tissue (1); serious
- ♦ 3 cases of *Pneumocystis jirovecii* pneumonia in Japan
- ♦ Single cases of
 - histoplasmosis, paracoccidioidomycosis, and cryptococcal lung infections
 - aspergillosis skin infection
 - Cytomegalovirus
 - Epstein-Barr virus
- ♦ No progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML)

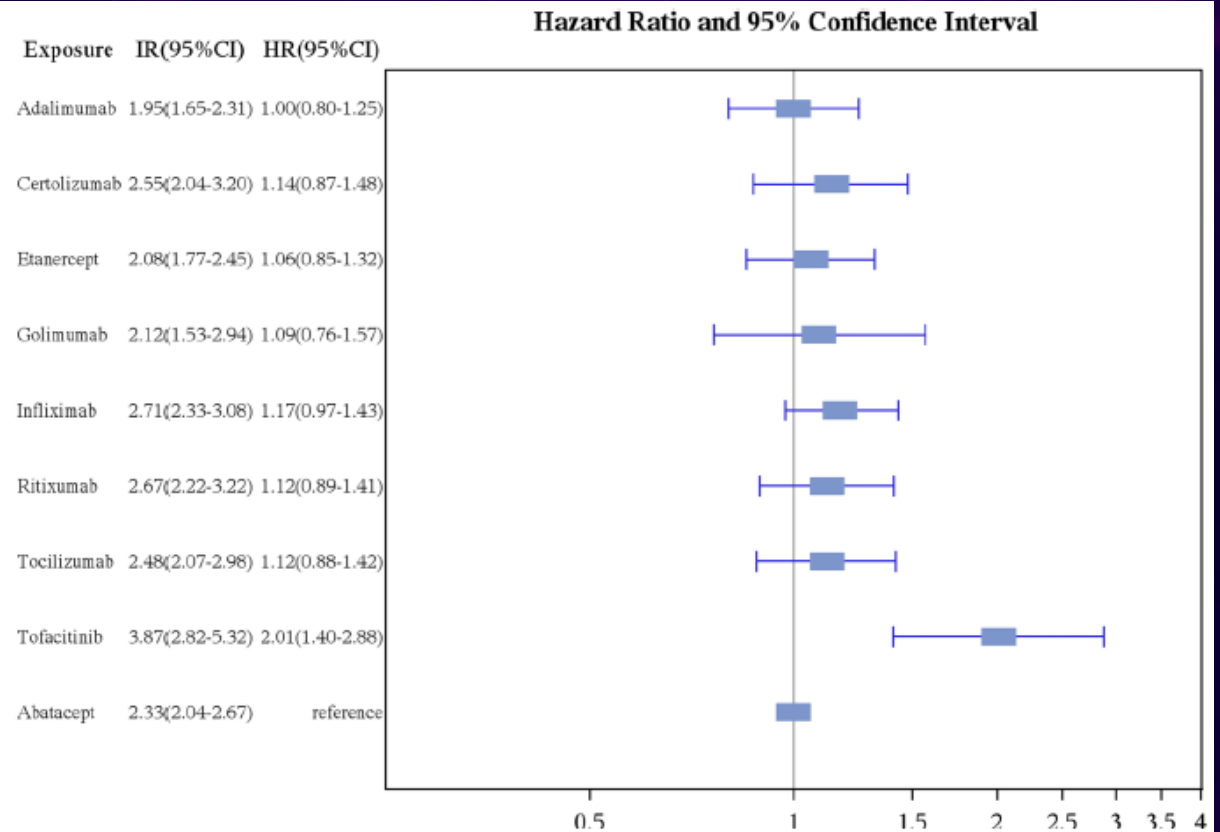
RA=rheumatoid arthritis

Recurrent zoster is rare

- **17, 413 persons with 1.8 million pys follow-up**
 - **9.4/1,000 incidence of first zoster**
 - **0.4% persons with second episode**
 - **Recurrence lowest in 12 months post-first episode**
 - **Increased risk with female, younger age of first zoster**
- **Recurrence in JAKi programs was 3-5% on average**

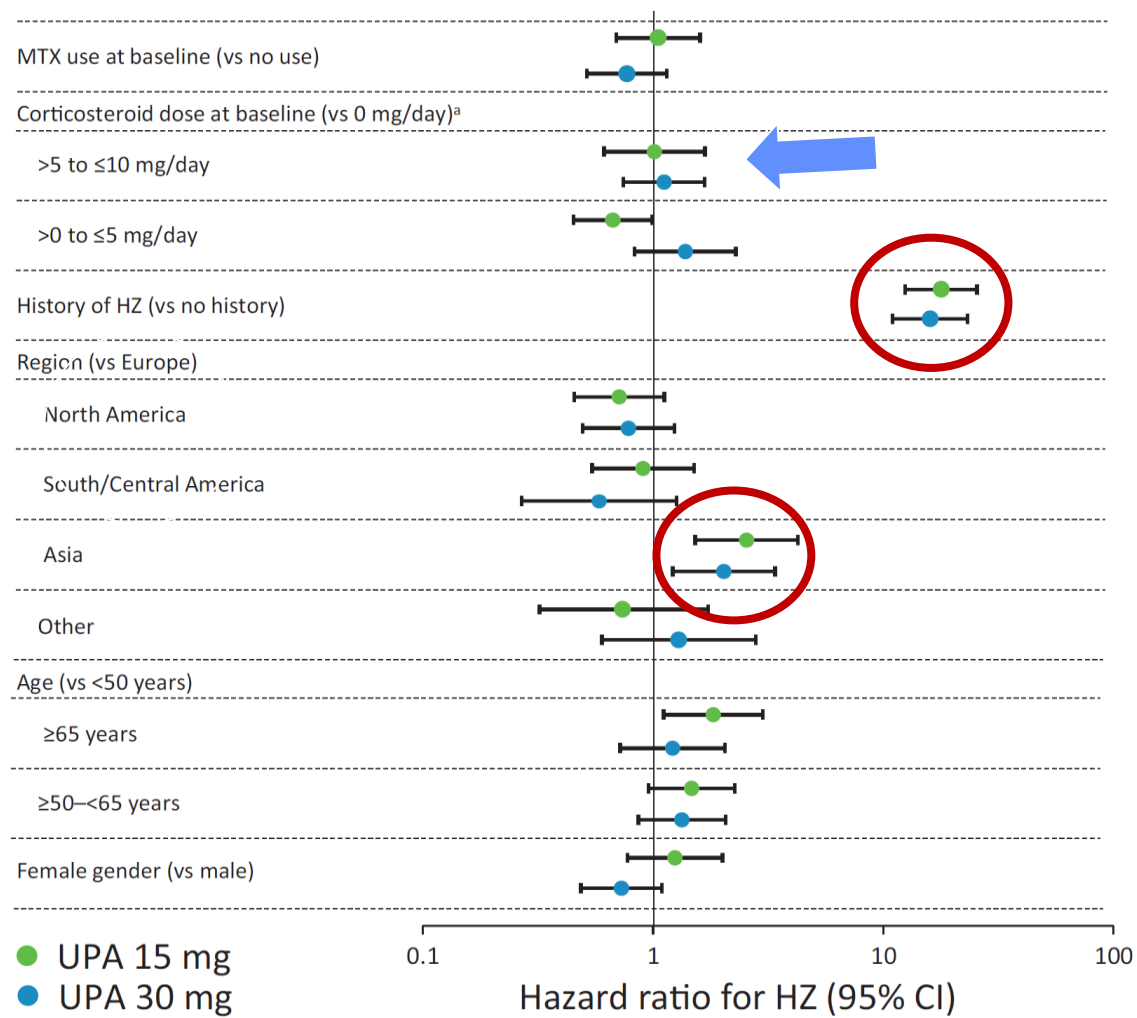
Real World HZ with Tofa and Biologics

Figure 1 Incidence rates and adjusted* HRs of herpes zoster among tofacitinib and biologic-treated patients with RA. *Adjusted for age, gender, glucocorticoid use, methotrexate, number of biologics used, prior hospitalised infection, prior hospitalisation for other reasons, prior outpatient infection (other than varicella) and zoster vaccination. CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; IR, incidence rate; RA, rheumatoid arthritis.



Upa Phase 3 RA Program

Figure 3. Risk Factors for HZ in Patients Receiving UPA (Multivariate Analysis)

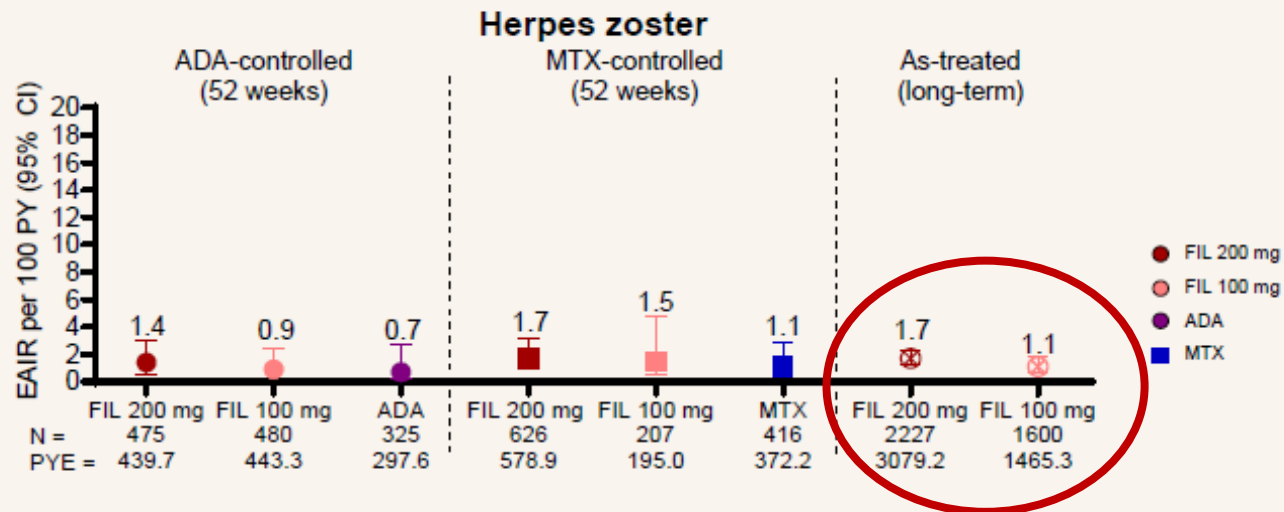


^aPrednisone or equivalent dose.

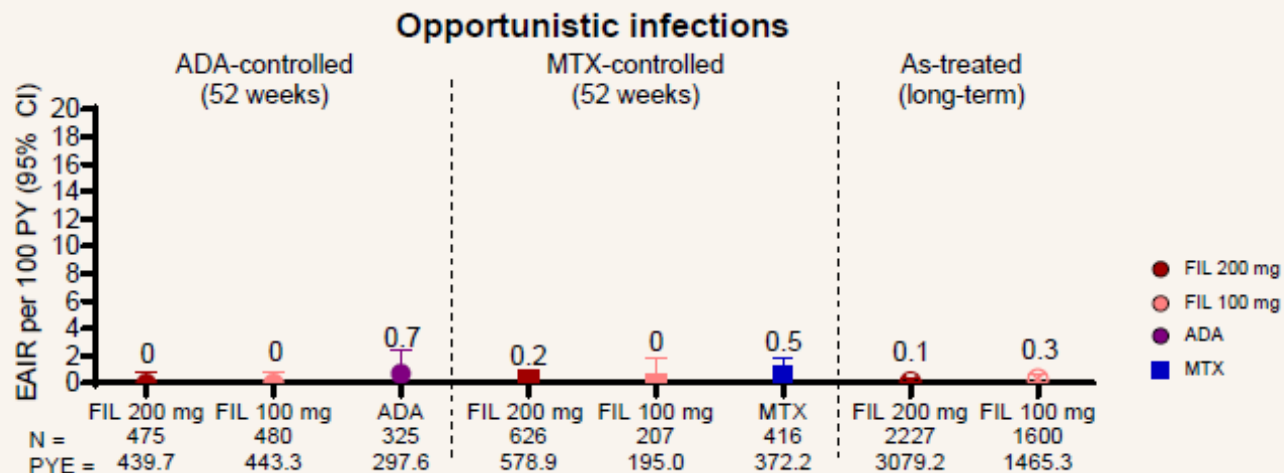
CI, confidence interval; HZ, herpes zoster; MTX, methotrexate; UPA, upadacitinib.

Filgo phase 2/3 ISS

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Abrocitinib (JAK 1) for AD

Table 1 Demographic and baseline characteristics in the placebo-controlled and all-abrocitinib cohorts

	Placebo-controlled cohort ^a N = 1540	All-abrocitinib cohort ^b N = 2856
Age, y, median (IQR)	33.0 (24.0–46.0)	31.0 (22.0–44.0)

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Table 4 Summary of infection events in the placebo-controlled and all-abrocitinib cohorts

	Placebo-controlled cohort			All-abrocitinib cohort	
	Placebo N = 342	Abrocitinib 100 mg N = 608	Abrocitinib 200 mg N = 590	Abrocitinib 100 mg N = 885	Abrocitinib 200 mg N = 1971
Serious infections					
N (%)	2 (0.6)	6 (1.0)	2 (0.3)	17 (1.9)	24 (1.2)
IRs (95% CI)	2.31 (0.28–8.33)	3.80 (1.39–8.27)	1.28 (0.16–4.62)	2.65 (1.55–4.25)	2.33 (1.49–3.47)
Herpes zoster					
N (%)	0	3 (0.5)	8 (1.4)	13 (1.5)	44 (2.2)
IRs (95% CI)	0.00 (0.00–4.25)	1.90 (0.39–5.55)	5.16 (2.23–10.16)	2.04 (1.09–3.49)	4.34 (3.15–5.82)
Herpes simplex ^a					
N (%)	6 (1.8)	19 (3.1)	25 (4.2)	54 (6.1)	116 (5.9)
IRs (95% CI)	7.20 (2.60–14.58)	12.07 (7.26–18.59)	16.22 (10.49–23.67)	8.73 (6.56–11.39)	11.83 (9.77–14.19)
Eczema herpeticum					
N (%)	3 (0.9)	6 (1.0)	0 (0)	15 (1.7)	8 (0.4)
IRs (95% CI)	3.46 (0.71–10.12)	3.81 (1.40–8.28)	0.00 (0.00–2.36)	2.34 (1.31–3.86)	0.78 (0.34–1.53)

CI confidence interval, IR incidence rate

^aIncludes events of genital herpes, genital herpes simplex, herpes dermatitis, herpes ophthalmic, herpes simplex, nasal herpes, ophthalmic herpes simplex, and oral herpes

Abro VTE

- VTE (IR 0.3/100)

100mg (n=885)	200mg (n=1971)
0	5

TYK2 Inhibitor in PsO

Table 3. Summary of Safety.*

Adverse Event	Placebo (N= 45)	BMS-986165				
		3 mg Every Other Day (N= 44)	3 mg Daily (N= 44)	3 mg Twice Daily (N= 45)	6 mg Twice Daily (N= 45)	12 mg Daily (N= 44)
		<i>number of patients (percent)</i>				
Death	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serious adverse event†	1 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	0	0
Adverse event	23 (51)	26 (59)	24 (55)	29 (64)	36 (80)	34 (77)
Adverse event leading to discontinuation of trial regimen‡	2 (4)	1 (2)	2 (5)	1 (2)	3 (7)	1 (2)
Most frequent adverse events§						
Nasopharyngitis	2 (4)	1 (2)	4 (9)	5 (11)	7 (16)	2 (5)
Headache	2 (4)	4 (9)	4 (9)	3 (7)	3 (7)	2 (5)
Diarrhea	2 (4)	1 (2)	1 (2)	2 (4)	2 (4)	4 (9)
Nausea	2 (4)	4 (9)	0	1 (2)	1 (2)	2 (5)
Upper respiratory tract infection	0	1 (2)	3 (7)	1 (2)	4 (9)	1 (2)
Pruritus	2 (4)	0	1 (2)	1 (2)	3 (7)	2 (5)
Acne	0	1 (2)	0	1 (2)	2 (4)	4 (9)
Toothache	1 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	3 (7)	1 (2)
Psoriasis	2 (4)	1 (2)	3 (7)	1 (2)	0	0
Aphthous ulcer	0	0	0	3 (7)	0	1 (2)

* Data have been rounded to the nearest integer. Adverse events were events reported by patients that began after the administration of the trial regimen and within 30 days after the last dose.

† Five serious adverse events were reported in four patients: two events in one patient in the placebo group (hemorrhagic anemia and hemorrhoidal hemorrhage) and one event in one patient each in the groups receiving 3 mg every other day (gastroenteritis due to rotavirus), 3 mg daily (accidental eye injury), and 3 mg twice daily (dizziness due to vestibular dysfunction with a history of the same).

‡ For patients who discontinued the trial regimen, data up to 30 days after the last dose were included; for patients who completed the 12-week intervention period, data up to the date of the last dose were included.

§ Shown are adverse events reported by three or more patients in any trial group; events elicited by laboratory testing are not included.

Jak inhibitors: Regulatory Agencies Response to Oral Surveillance

EMA

- The Pharmacovigilance Risk Assessment Committee (PRAC) of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) has recommended that XELJANZ® (tofacitinib) should only be used in patients over 65 years of age, patients who are current or past smokers, patients with other cardiovascular (CV) risk factors, and patients with other malignancy risk factors, if no suitable treatment alternative is available

FDA

- **Health Professionals** should consider the benefits and risks for the individual patient prior to initiating or continuing therapy with Xeljanz/Xeljanz XR, Olumiant, or Rinvoq. This is particularly the case in patients who are current or past smokers, those with other cardiovascular risk factors, those who develop a malignancy, and those with a known malignancy other than a successfully treated nonmelanoma skin cancer. Reserve these medicines for patients who have had an inadequate response or intolerance to one or more TNF blockers. Counsel patients about the benefits and risks of these medicines and advise them to seek emergency medical attention if they experience signs and symptoms of a heart attack, stroke, or blood clot

Conclusion

- **Maybe TNFi should be in the water?**
 - **Or maybe ABA**
- **All JAKs might not be the same**
 - **Are you more European or more American?**
 - **Need comparison studies like with Biologics**
- **For now, place Tofa after TNFi**
 - **Particularly among those over 50 with CV risk**
 - **Smokers**
- **Avoid in those with history of DVT**

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APPENDIX

JAKi and COVID Vax

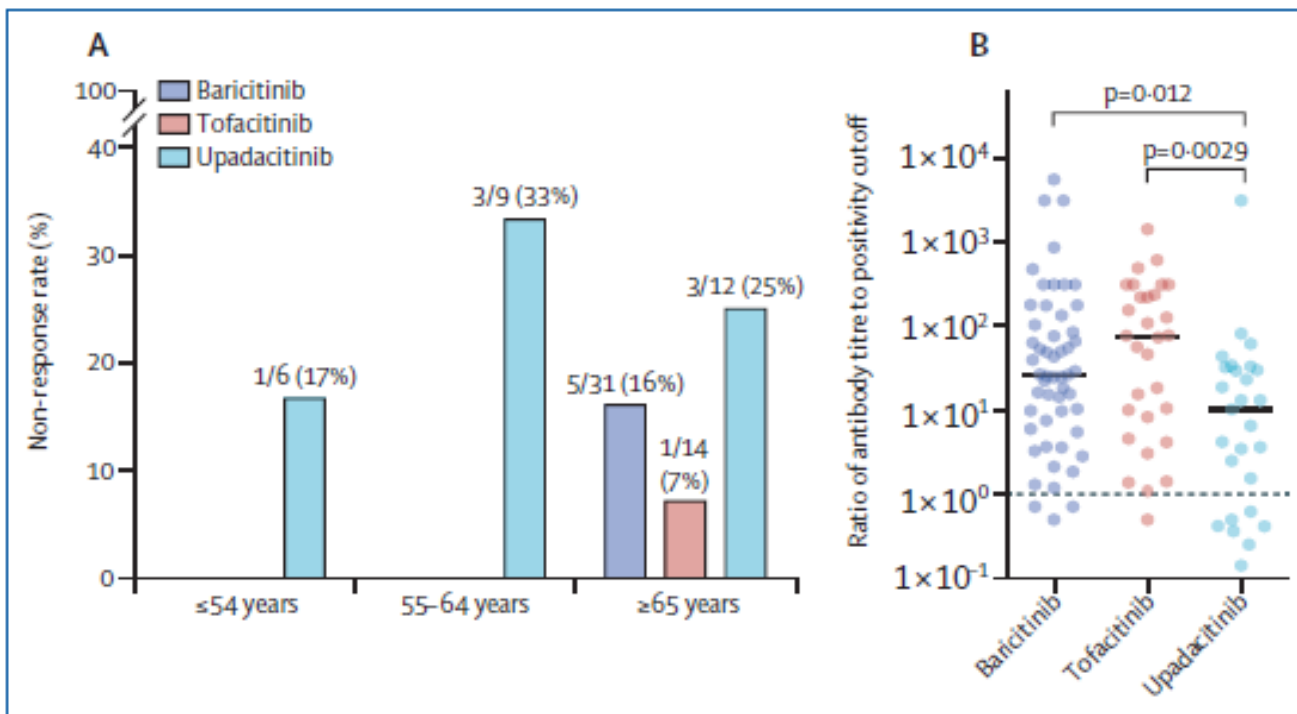
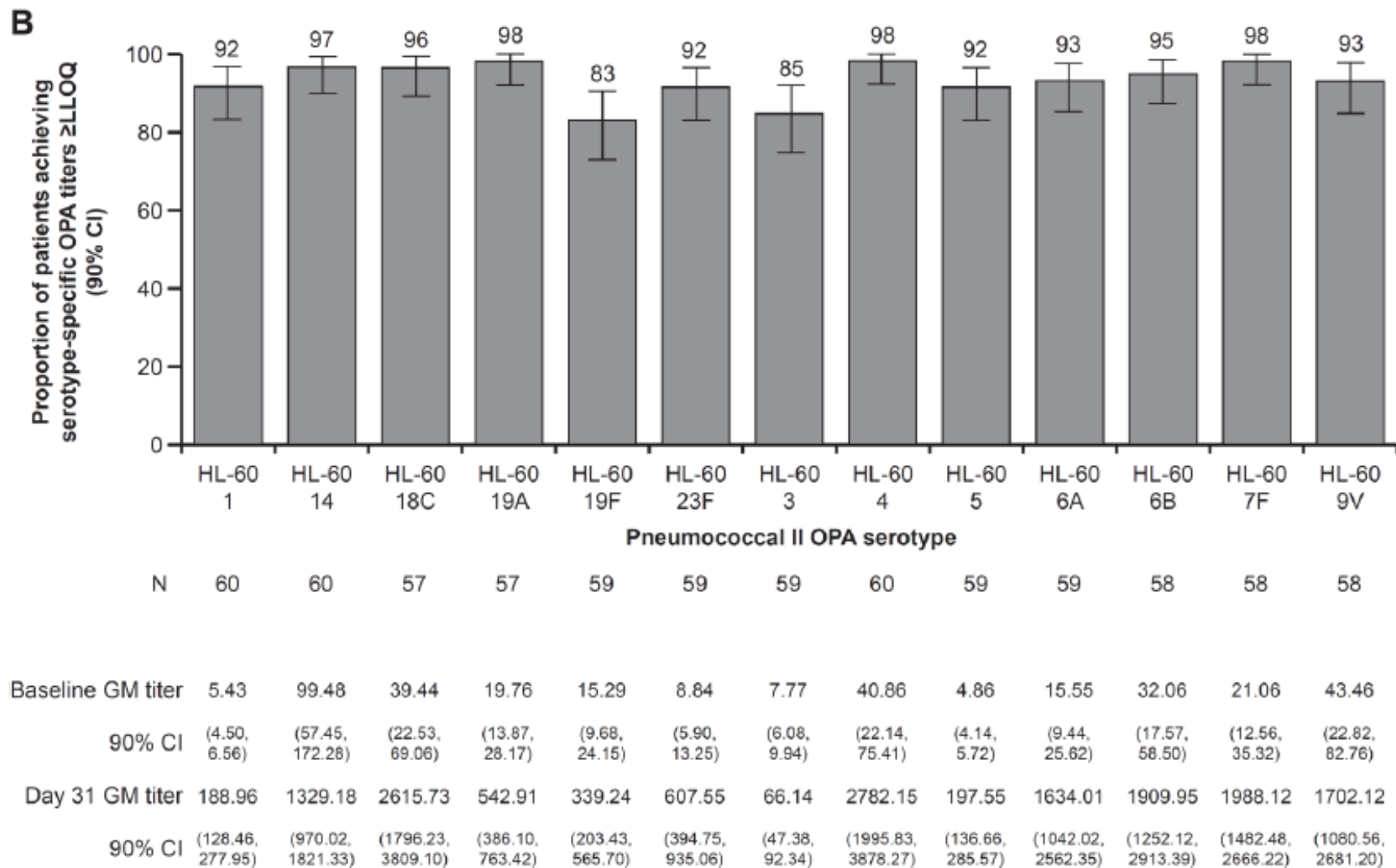


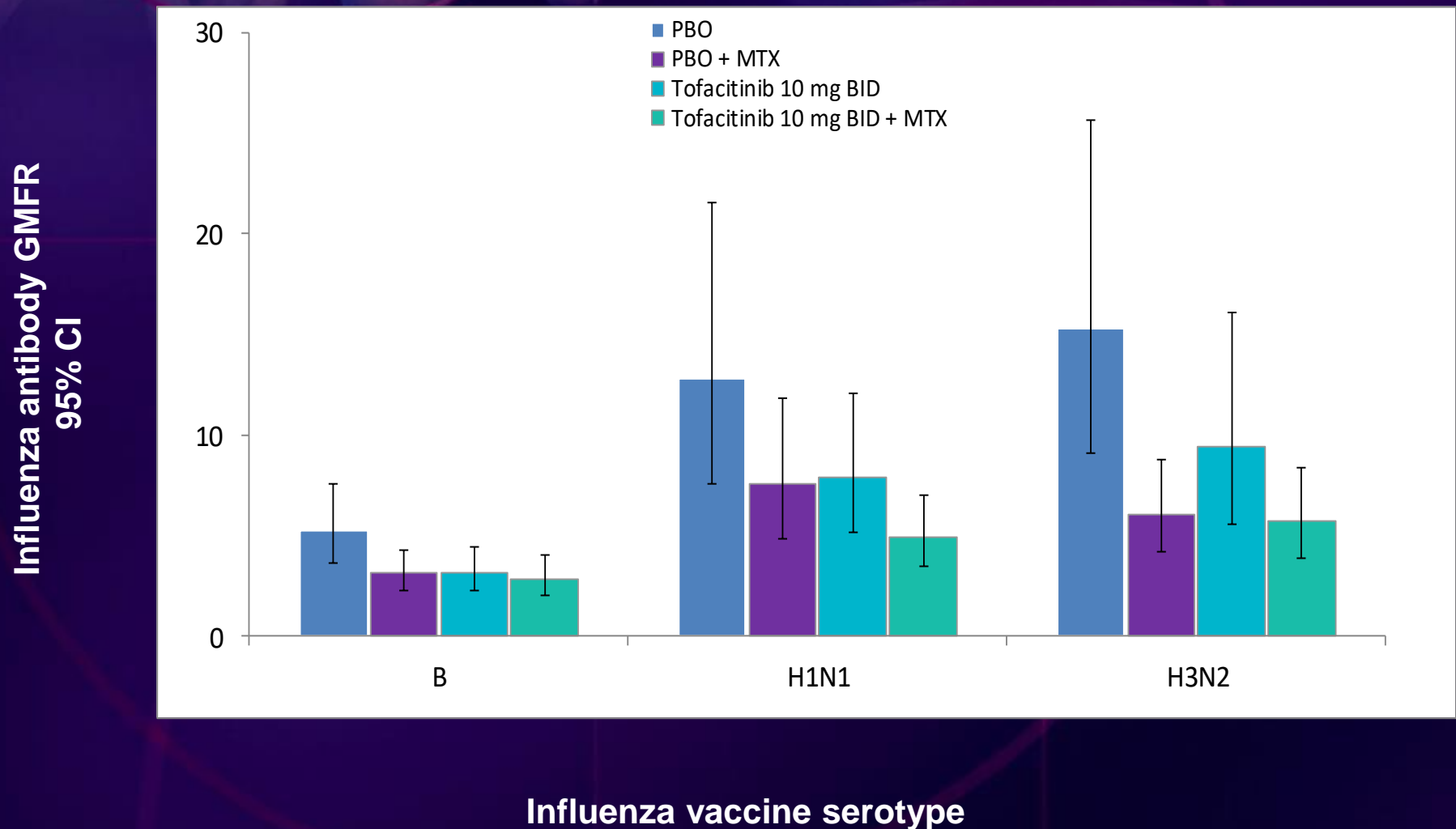
Figure: Immune response to COVID-19 vaccination for patient treated with JAK inhibitor

(A) Proportion of non-responders in each age group (≤54, 55-64, and ≥65 years) according to their JAK inhibitor. (B) Antibody titres (measured as ratio of antibody titre to assay's positivity cutoff) for each patient according to JAK inhibitor. Solid horizontal bars show the median for each inhibitor group and the horizontal dashed line shows the threshold for positive response to the vaccines. Comparisons are based on Kruskal-Wallis analysis of variance on ranks (n=111, the antibody titres were not available for two patients, the result of the serology was only indicated as being positive or negative).

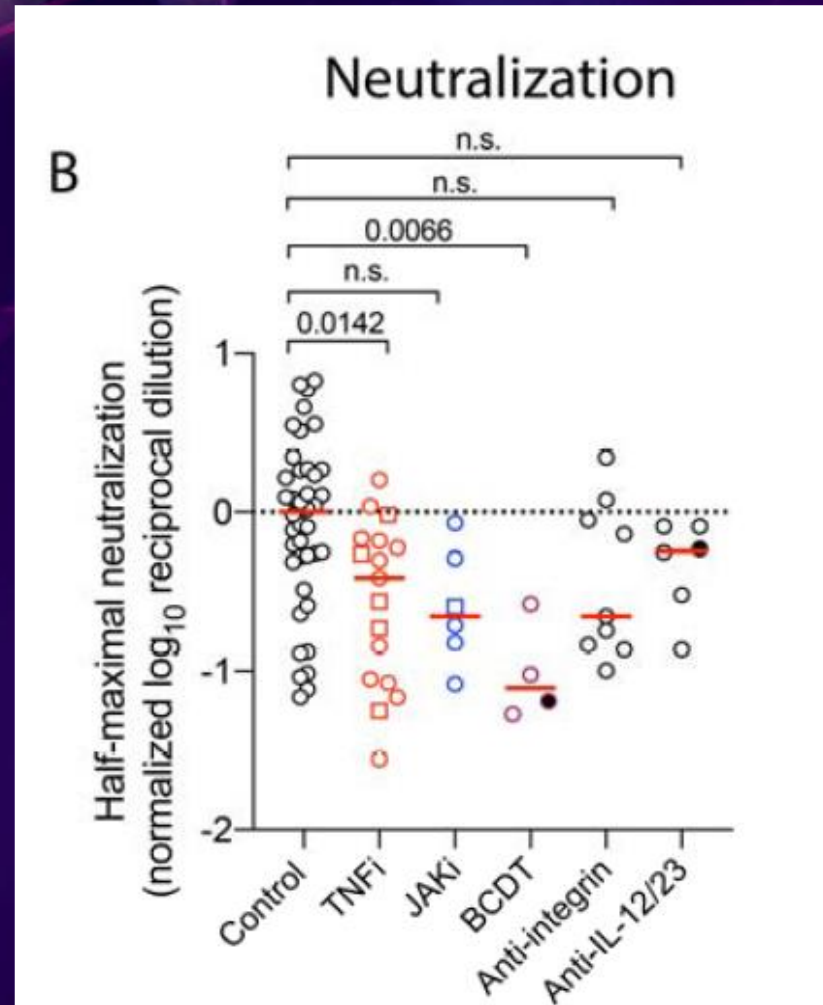
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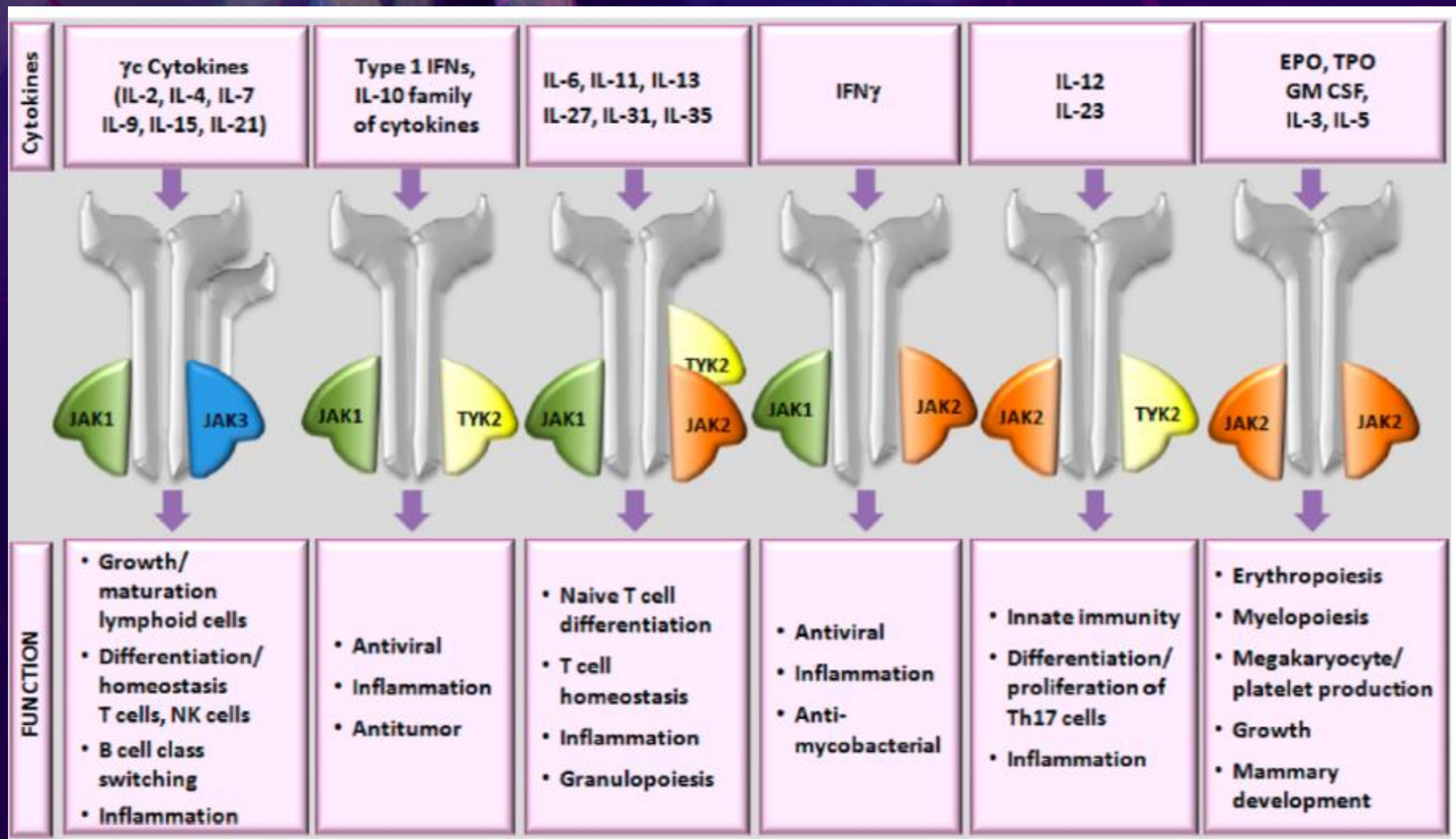
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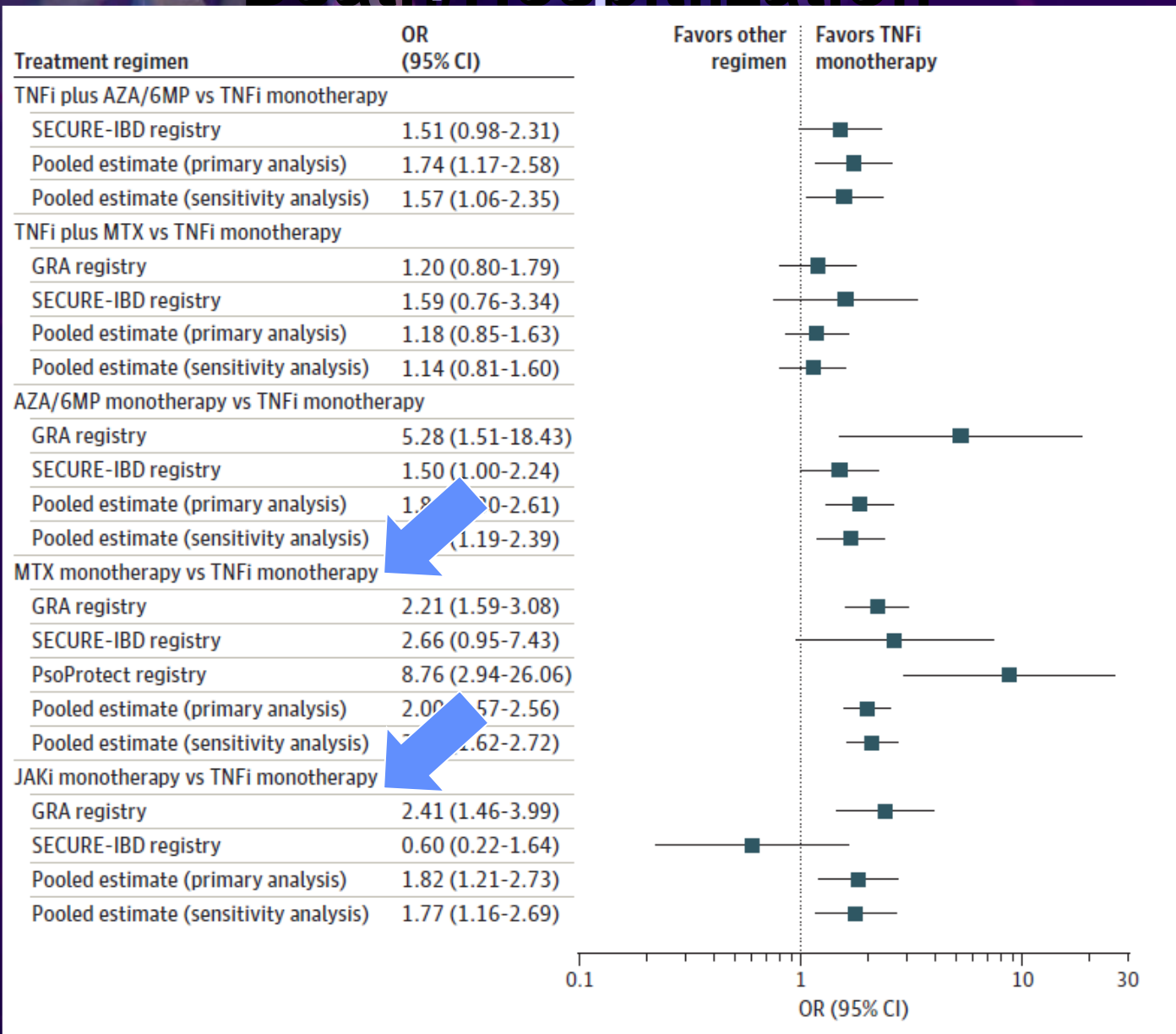
DMARDs on mRNA Vaccine Response



Mixed IMID, low numbers of disease and therapy groups



TNFi Protective against COVID Death/Hospitalization



ORALSURV

Malignancy

The overall rate of malignancy for JAK inhibitors in RA randomized clinical trials and long-term extension studies has been reported to be similar to that seen with bDMARDs, and lower than that observed for tofacitinib in this study. In the ORALSURV study, the incidence rate for malignancy was 1.13 (95% CI 0.87–1.14) for patients treated with tofacitinib 5 mg twice daily and 1.13 (95% CI 0.86–1.14) for those treated with tofacitinib 10 mg twice daily, compared with 0.77 (95% CI 0.55–1.04) for the TNF inhibitor-treated patients (HR 1.48; 95% CI 1.04–2.09). This signal was driven by differential rates of several cancers (particularly lung cancer and lymphoma) primarily seen in the North American strata of the study (compared with the rest of the

Box 1 | FDA and EMA responses to ORAL Surveillance

The results of the ORAL Surveillance study¹ have led regulatory authorities such as the FDA and EMA to recommend different changes to the utilization of Janus kinase inhibitors.

EMA²²

- For patients ≥ 65 years old, those with a history of smoking and those with risk factors for cardiovascular disease or malignancy, tofacitinib should be used only if no suitable alternatives exist

FDA²

- Use of tofacitinib, baricitinib and upadacitinib is recommended for use only in patients who have had an inadequate response to, or intolerance of, one or more TNF inhibitors
- Boxed warnings for tofacitinib, baricitinib and upadacitinib updated to include information about the risks of serious heart-related events, cancer, blood clots and death
- Health-care professionals should consider the benefits and risks for an individual patient prior to initiating or continuing treatment with tofacitinib, baricitinib or upadacitinib, particularly for patients with a history of smoking, those with risk factors for cardiovascular disease and those with a malignancy