

Interferon Intolerant, Unwilling, or Ineligible

# Sofosbuvir in HCV Genotype 2, 3 (PEG not an Option) POSITRON

\*Note: Published in tandem with **FUSION** Trial (GT 2,3 and prior failure with PEG)

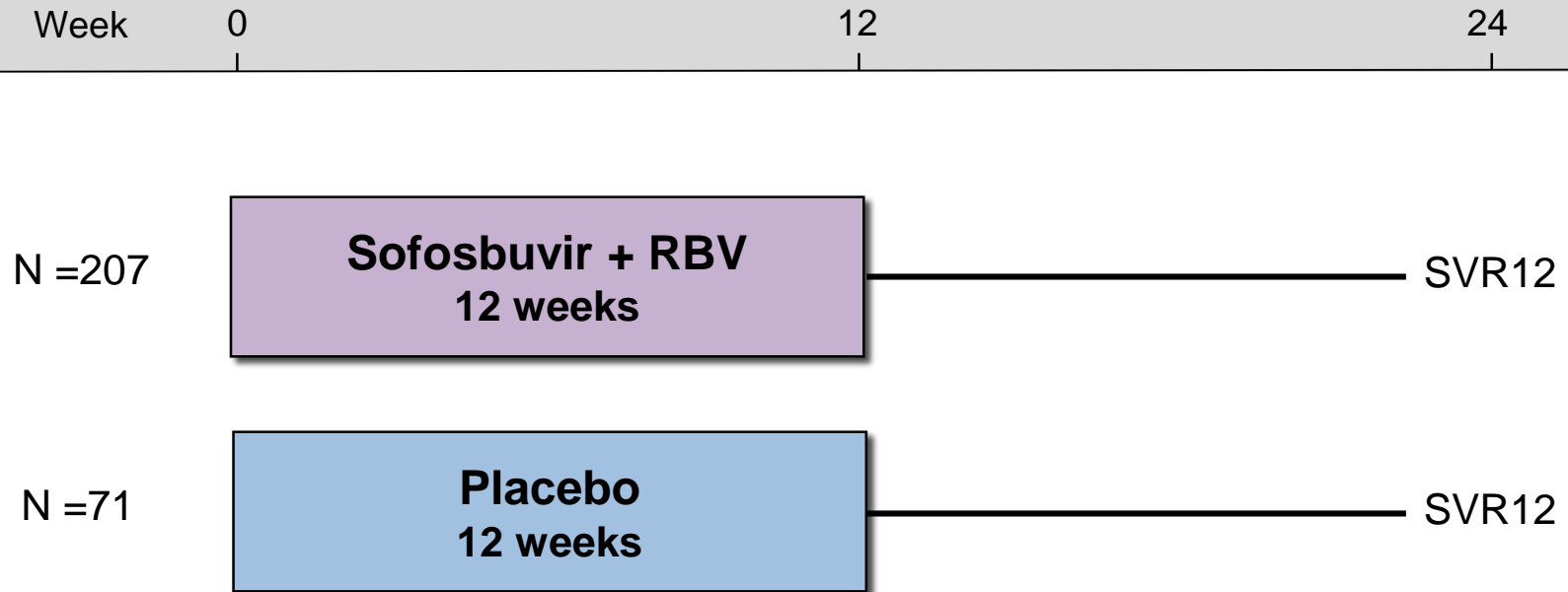
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# Sofosbuvir + Ribavirin for HCV GT 2 or 3 (PEG not an option) POSITRON Trial: Design

## POSITRON: Study Features

- **Design:** Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial of sofosbuvir + ribavirin versus placebo in patients with HCV GT 2 or 3
- **Setting:** 63 sites in US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, enrolled March-May 2012
- **Entry Criteria**
  - Interferon intolerant with prior treatment, ineligible, or unwilling
- **Patient Characteristics**
  - N = 278 HCV-monoinfected patients
  - HCV Genotype: 2 (51%), 3 (49%)
  - IL28B Genotype: 55% non-CC
  - Age and Sex: 52 (range 21-75); 54% male
  - Race: 91% white; 5% black
  - Liver disease: 16% had cirrhosis
- **Primary End-Point:** SVR12

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## Drug Dosing

Sofosbuvir: 400 mg once daily

Weight-Based Ribavirin (in 2 divided doses): 1000 mg/day if < 75 kg or 1200 mg/day if ≥ 75 kg

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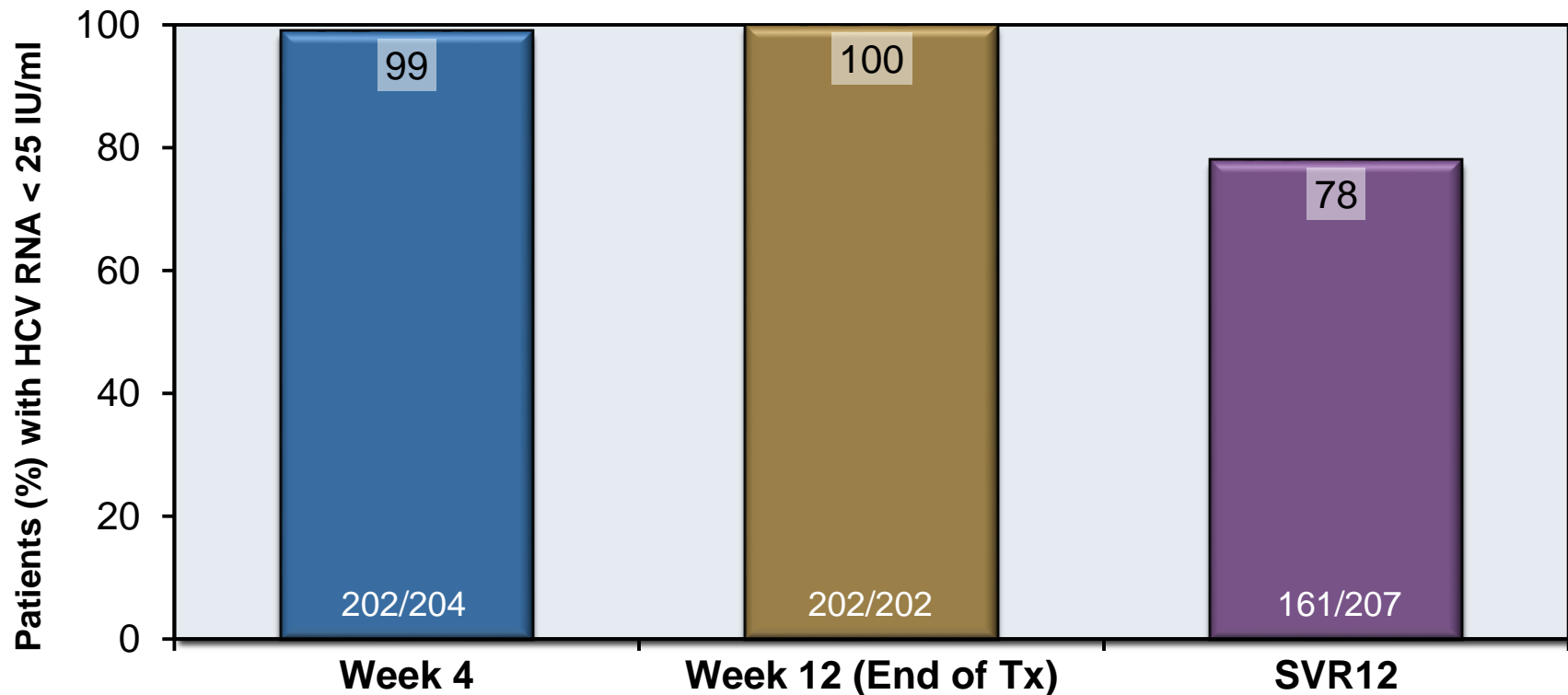
<b>Interferon Category</b>	<b>Sofosbuvir + RBV (n=207)</b>	<b>Placebo (n=71)</b>
Ineligible	43%	46%
Intolerant	8%	11%
Unwilling	49%	42%

# Sofosbuvir + Ribavirin for HCV GT 2 or 3 (PEG not an option) POSITRON Trial: Duration on Prior Interferon

Interferon Category	Sofosbuvir + RBV (n=207)	Placebo (n=71)
None	82%	79%
≤ 12 weeks	10%	11%
> 12 weeks	8%	10%

# Sofosbuvir for HCV Infection GT 2,3 (PEG not an option) POSITRON: Results with Sofosbuvir + Ribavirin

POSITRON: Patients with HCV RNA <25 IU/ml by Study Timepoint



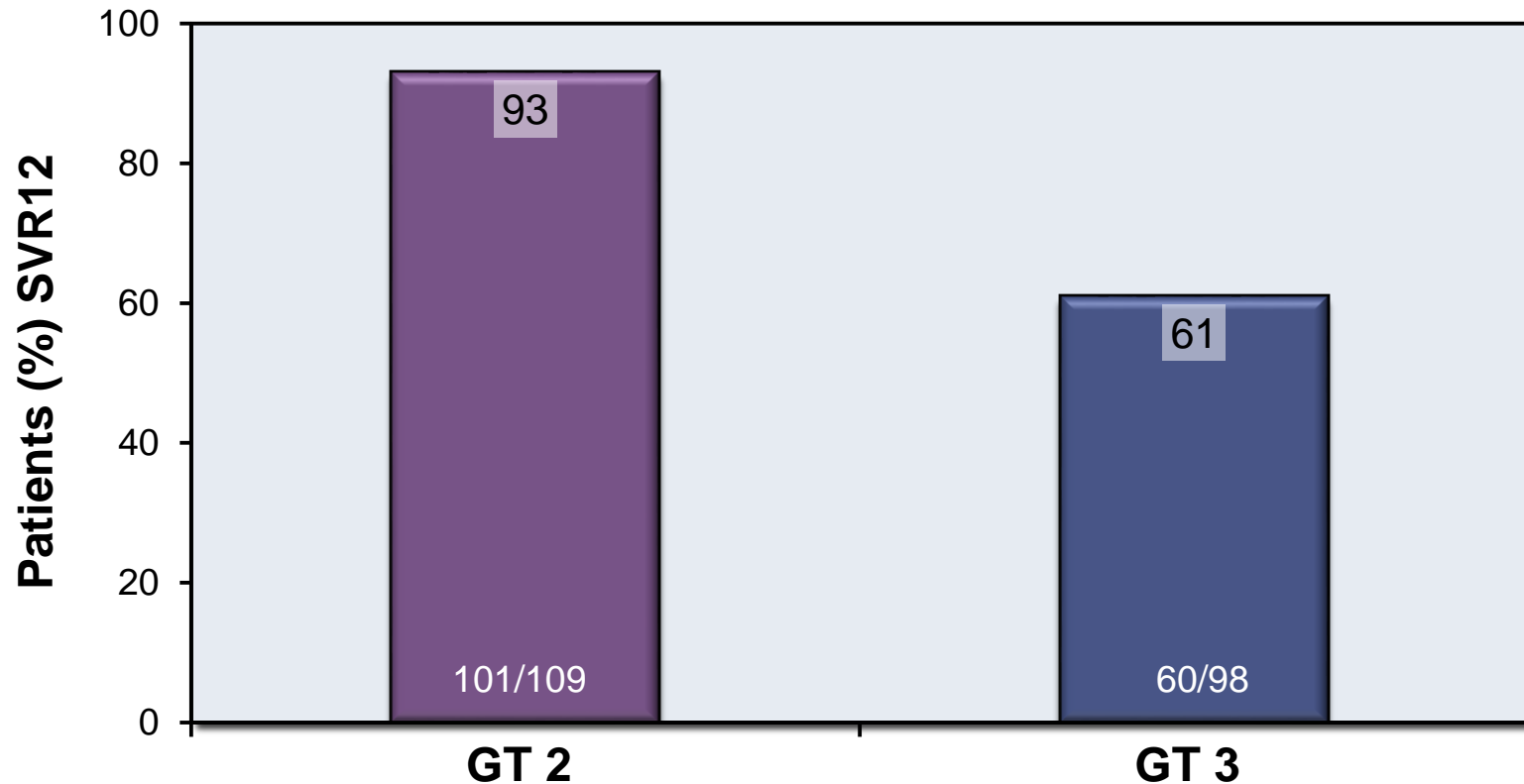
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Abbreviations: SOF = sofosbuvir; RBV = ribavirin

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## POSITRON: SVR12 by HCV Genotype

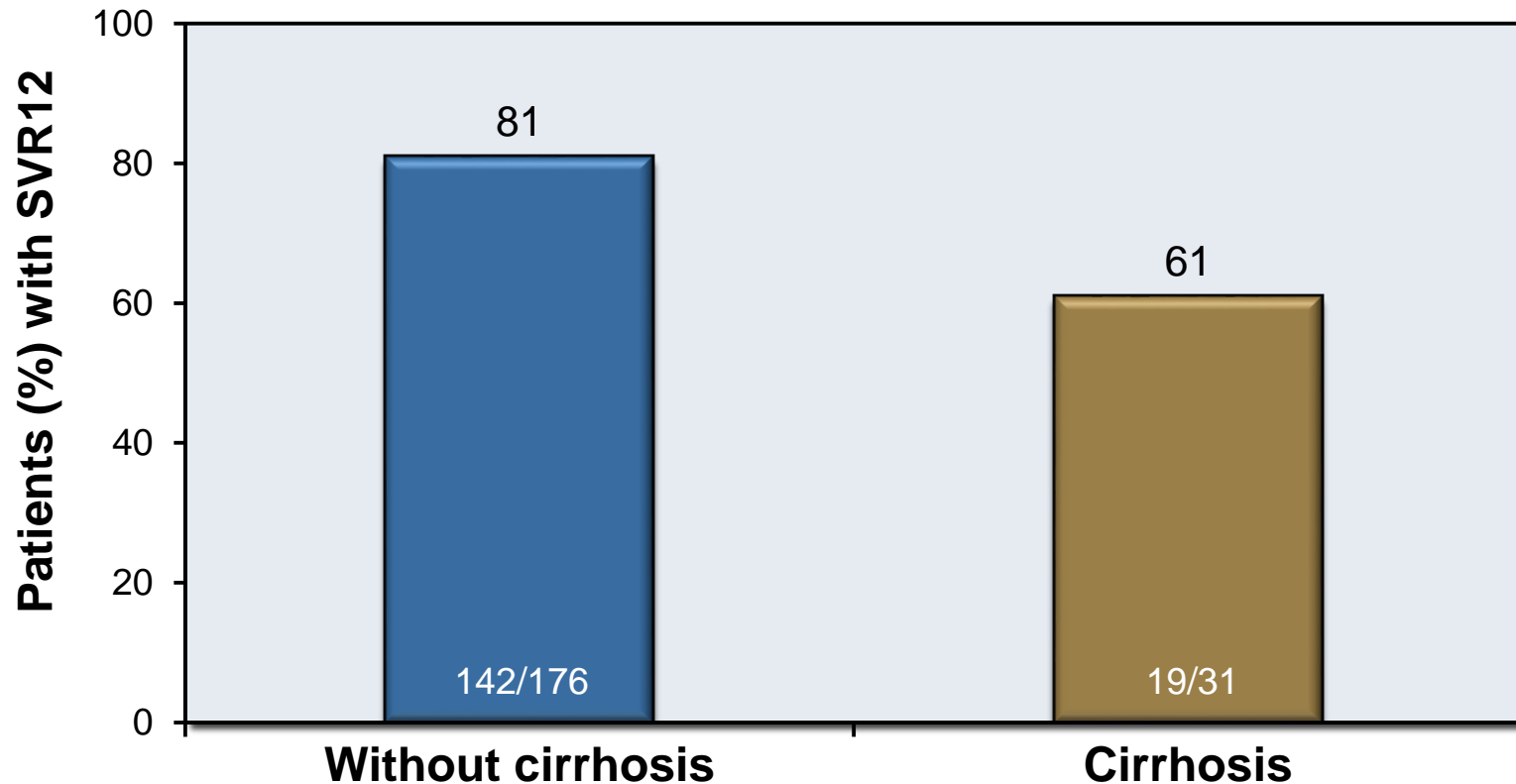


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## POSITRON: SVR12 by Liver Disease



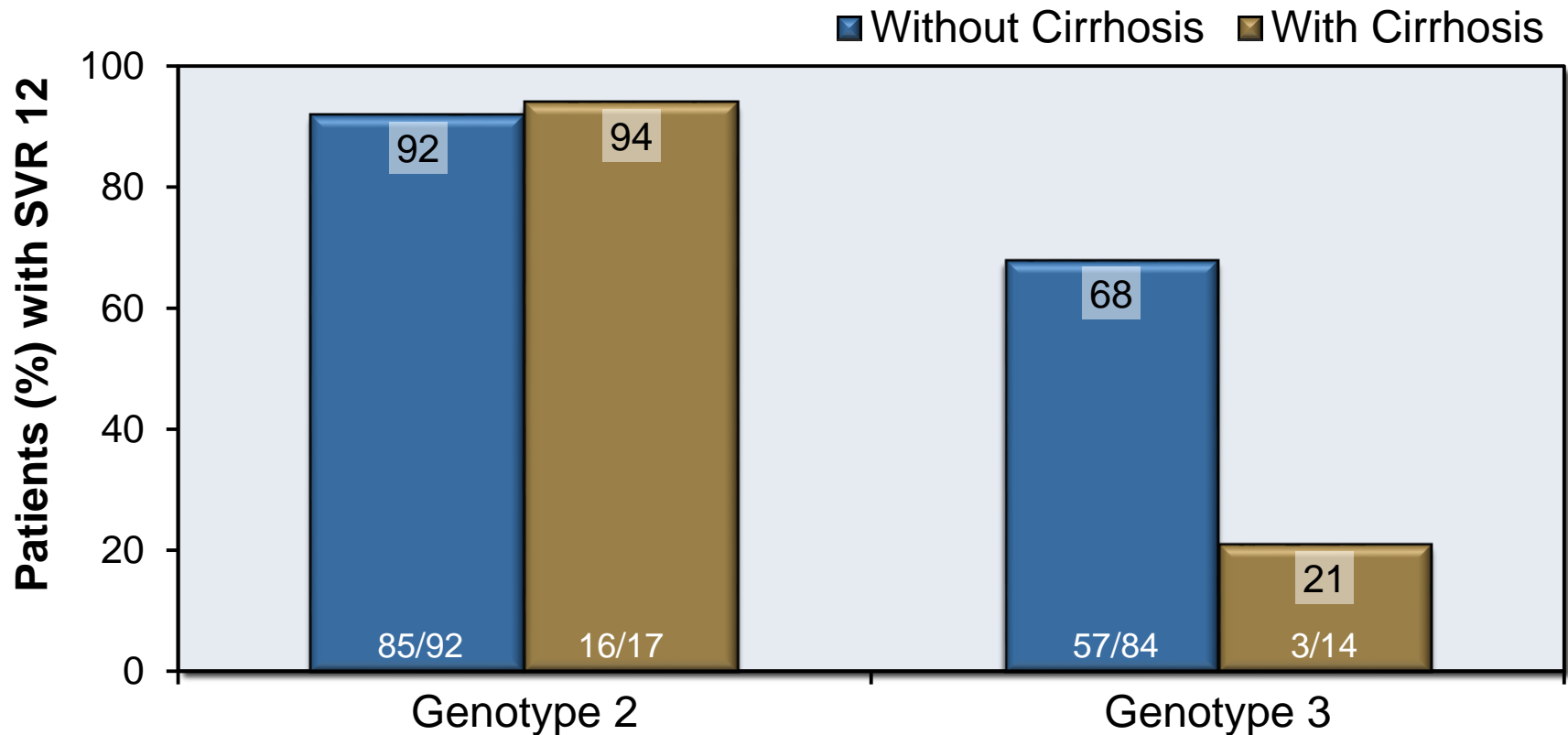
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## POSITRON: SVR12 by Liver Disease and Genotype



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# Sofosbuvir + Ribavirin for HCV GT 2,3 (PEG not an option) POSITRON Trial: Conclusions

**Conclusion\***: “In patients with HCV genotype 2 or 3 infection for whom treatment with peginterferon and ribavirin was not an option, 12 [or 16] weeks of treatment with sofosbuvir and ribavirin was effective. Efficacy was increased among patients with HCV genotype 2 infection and those without cirrhosis.”

\*Note: This conclusion pertains to both the **POSITRON** and **FUSION** trials, which were published in tandem

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