

Two-year Time Course of Biomarker and Imaging Responses in Patients with Well-Compensated MASH Cirrhosis Treated With Resmetirom

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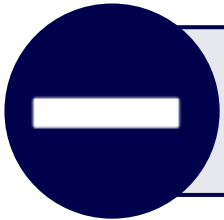
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Unmet Need in Patients with MASH Cirrhosis

High Risk of Outcomes, No Approved Disease Modifying Therapies



Resmetirom, an oral, once-daily, liver-directed thyroid hormone receptor β (THR- β) agonist, is FDA-approved for treatment of MASH with liver fibrosis (as of 2024).



No approved therapies for patients with compensated cirrhosis due to MASH.

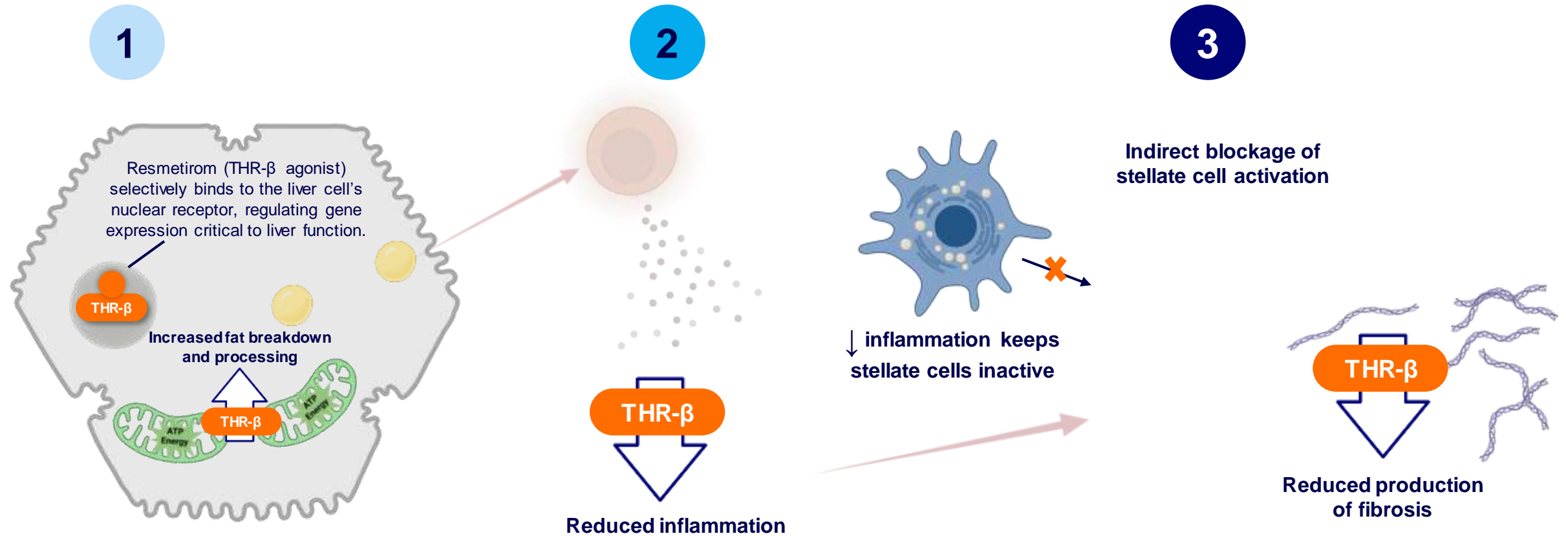


Cirrhosis (F4) is highly associated with clinical outcomes including hepatic decompensation events, liver failure, liver transplant and mortality

MASH: metabolic dysfunction-associated steatohepatitis.

Harrison SA et al. N Engl J Med. 2024 Feb 8;390(6):497-509; Sanyal AJ et al. N Engl J Med. 2021 Oct 21;385(17):1559-1569.

Resmetirom, a THR- β Agonist, Works Directly in the Liver to Improve Critical Hepatic Processes and Reduce Fibrosis



- Increase in clearance of defective mitochondria (mitophagy) and synthesis of healthy mitochondria (mitochondrial biogenesis)
- Liver THR- β Activity identified as a “Master Regulator”^a in protecting from progression to decompensated MASH Cirrhosis

^aKendall TJ, Jimenez-Ramos M, Turner F, et al. An integrated gene-to-outcome multimodal database for metabolic dysfunction-associated steatotic liver disease. Nat Med. 2023;29:2939-2953.

Open-Label (OL) 52 Week Cirrhosis Arm of MAESTRO-NAFLD-1 Followed by a 52 Week Extension Trial^a

Inclusion Criteria

- ≥3 metabolic risk factors
- Well-compensated MASH cirrhosis (Child Pugh A):
 - F4 fibrosis^a on biopsy OR
 - Clinical assessment
- **Allowed platelet count ≥70,000**
- No history of decompensation

Open
Label

MAESTRO-NAFLD-1
OL cirrhosis cohort

RESMETIROM 80 mg

52-week OL treatment

*Mean treatment gap off
resmetirom, 77 (58) days*

OL EXTENSION

RESMETIROM 80 mg

OL treatment- data analyzed after
second 52-week treatment period

Primary Endpoint

**Safety and tolerability of resmetirom
in patients with cirrhosis**

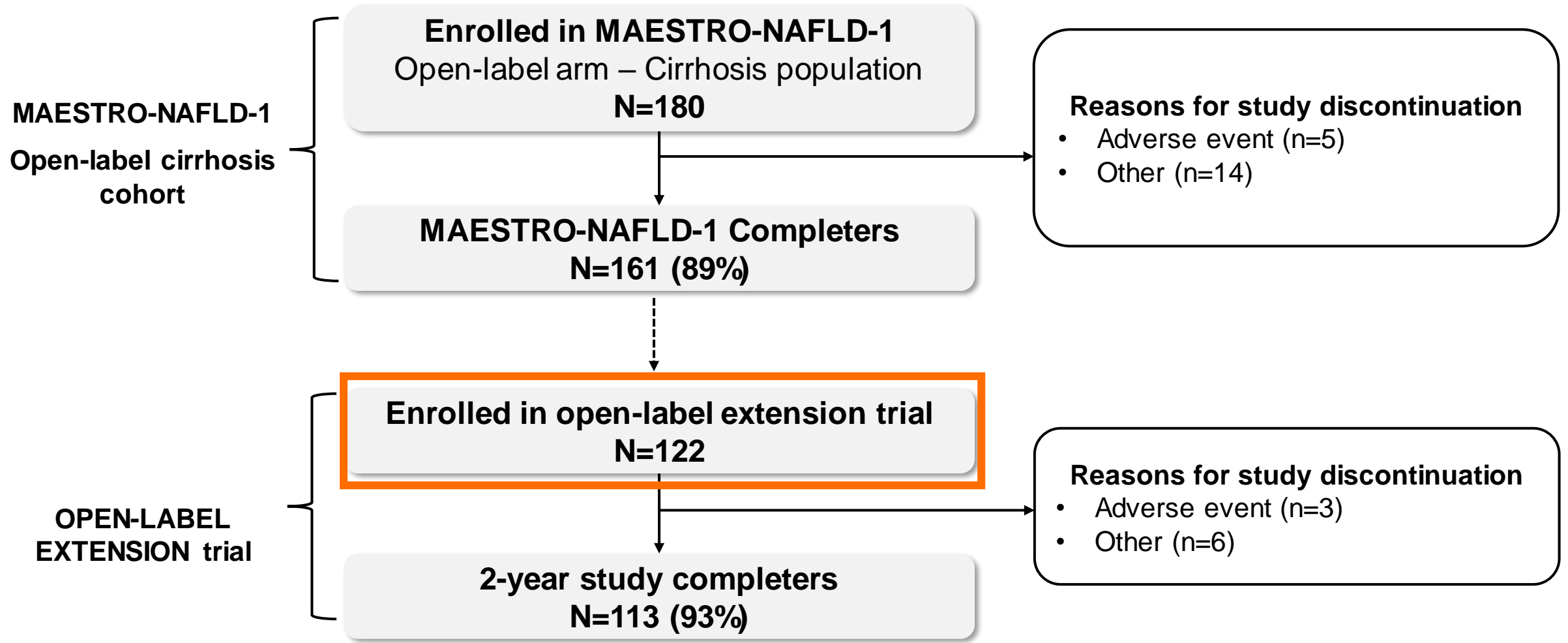
Secondary/Exploratory Endpoints

**LSM (VCTE), MRE, MRI-PDFF, liver
enzymes, biomarkers, lipids, liver
and spleen volume**

LSM, liver stiffness measurement; MASLD, metabolic dysfunction–associated steatotic liver disease; MRE, magnetic resonance elastography; MRI-PDFF, magnetic resonance imaging proton density fat fraction; OL, open-label; OLE, open-label extension; Liver biopsy was obtained 66% of patients; for patients with clinical progression from F3 on biopsy to F4; clinical assessment used imaging, biomarker and clinical identification consistent with F4.

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Baseline Characteristics

	BL Platelets < 100 (N=30)	BL Platelets ≥ 100 (N=92)
Age , years	61 (56, 66)	62 (57, 69)
Sex , Female	14 (46.7%)	54 (58.7%)
BMI , kg/m ²	35.1 (32.7, 38.9)	33.4 (30.4, 39.1)
Type 2 Diabetes	22 (73.3%)	63 (68.5%)
VCTE , kPa	26.4 (17.7, 39.6)	19.3 (16.1, 27.4)
CAP , dB/m	317.5 (291.5, 376.5)	331.0 (292.5, 368.5)
MRE , kPa	5.9 (4.9, 6.7)	5.1 (4.0, 5.9)
MRI-PDFF , %	6.7 (4.8, 8.6)	9.2 (6.6, 12.2)
Agile 3+	0.98 (0.97, 0.99)	0.95 (0.87, 0.98)
Agile 4	0.85 (0.80, 0.92)	0.56 (0.31, 0.72)
Liver Volume , mL	2035.3 (1773.1, 2468.0)	2295.0 (1920.5, 2687.1)
Spleen Volume , mL	906.5 (657.2, 1121.1)	424.7 (305.4, 633.8)

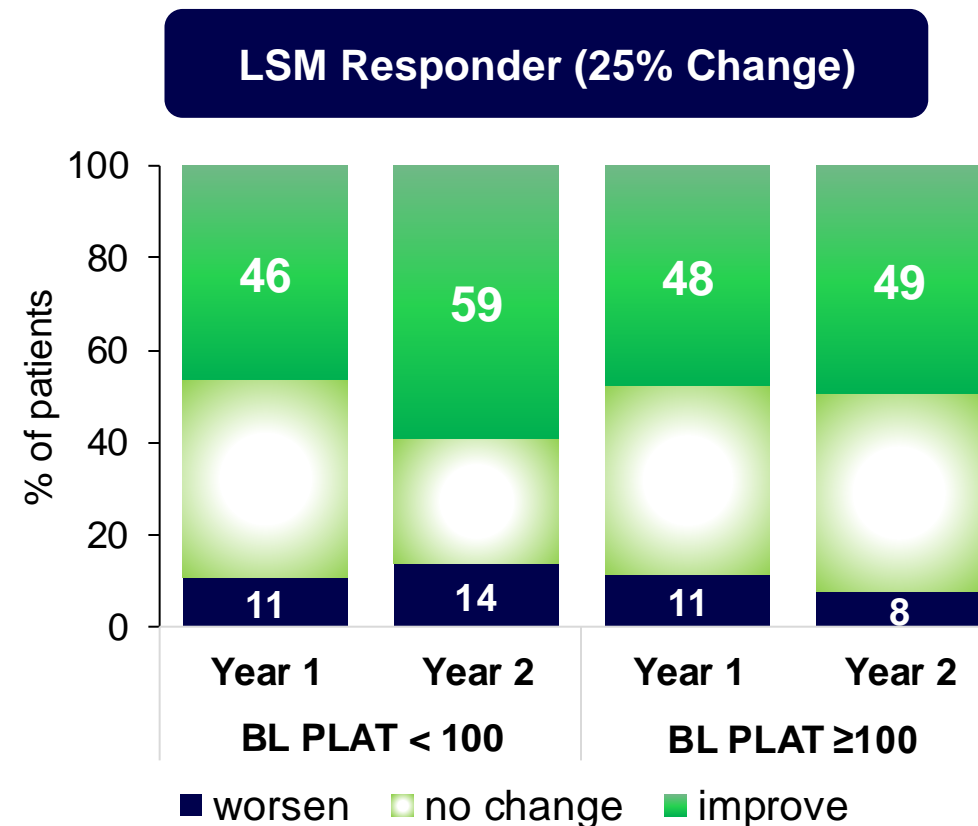
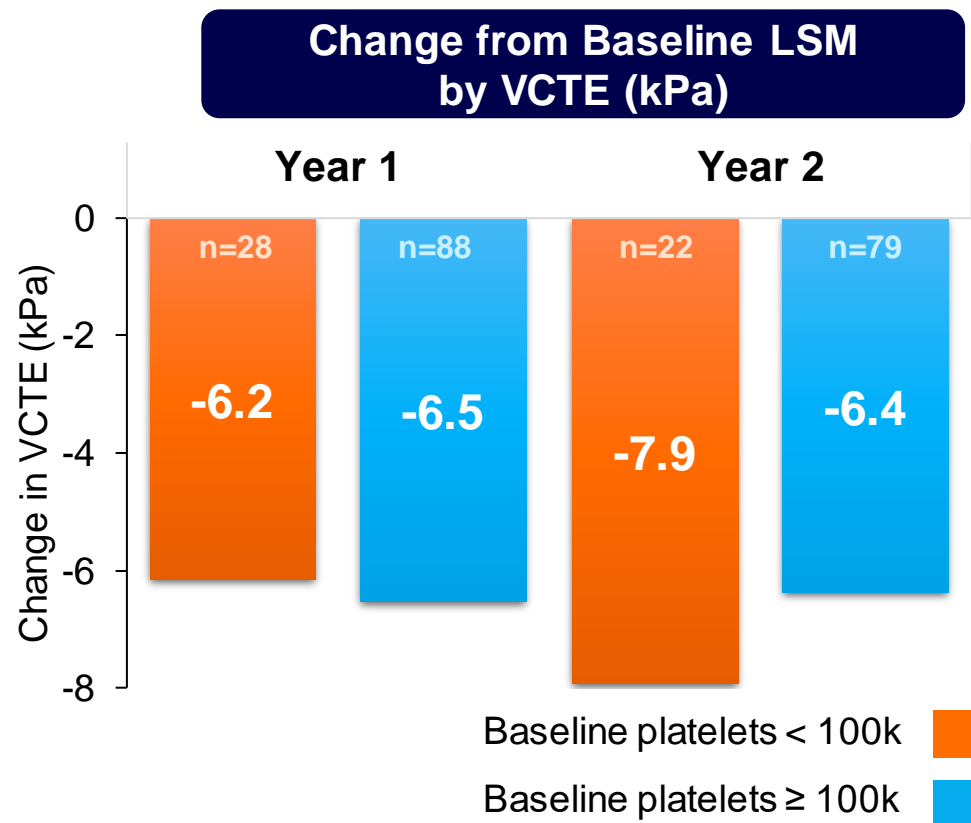
	BL Platelets < 100 (N=30)	BL Platelets ≥ 100 (N=92)
ALT , U/L	30 (26, 38)	38 (28, 53)
AST , U/L	35 (26, 39)	38 (24, 49)
Platelets , 10 ⁹ /L	89 (77, 91)	156 (128, 208)
Albumin , g/dL	4.2 (3.8, 4.3)	4.3 (4.0, 4.4)
FIB-4	3.9 (3.3, 5.8)	2.0 (1.5, 3.0)
ELF Score	11.1 (10.7, 11.9)	10.5 (9.9, 11.4)

Major differences in subgroups:

- Spleen volume, twice as high in low platelet group reflective of advanced portal hypertension
- Agile-4, MRE, VCTE, FIB-4, all higher in low platelet group

Data are median (Q1, Q3) or n (%); BL, baseline. CAP, controlled attenuation parameter; VCTE, vibration-controlled transient elastography; LSM, liver stiffness measurement; MRE, magnetic resonance elastography; MRI-PDFF, magnetic resonance imaging proton density fat fraction.

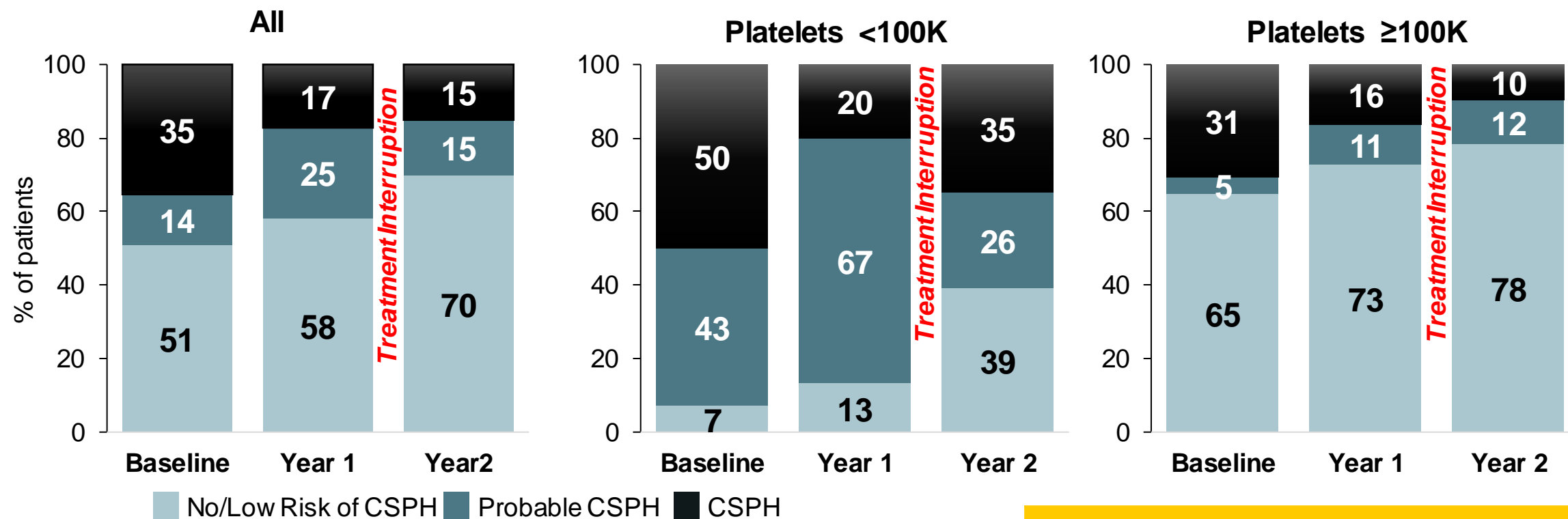
Reduction in LSM by VCTE: Magnitude and Response



- Statistically significant improvements in VCTE at Year 1 and 2
- Clinically meaningful response ~50% improved, few worsening, independent of baseline platelets

Based on observed data – Mean change from baseline (CFB); 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-13.2, 0.9) kPa, Year 2, (-15.3, -0.5) kPa; BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-9.4, -3.7) kPa, Year 2, (-9.2, -3.6) kPa
LSM, liver stiffness measure; VCTE, vibration controlled transient elastography (FibroScan)

Baveno Clinically Significant Portal Hypertension (CSPH) Risk

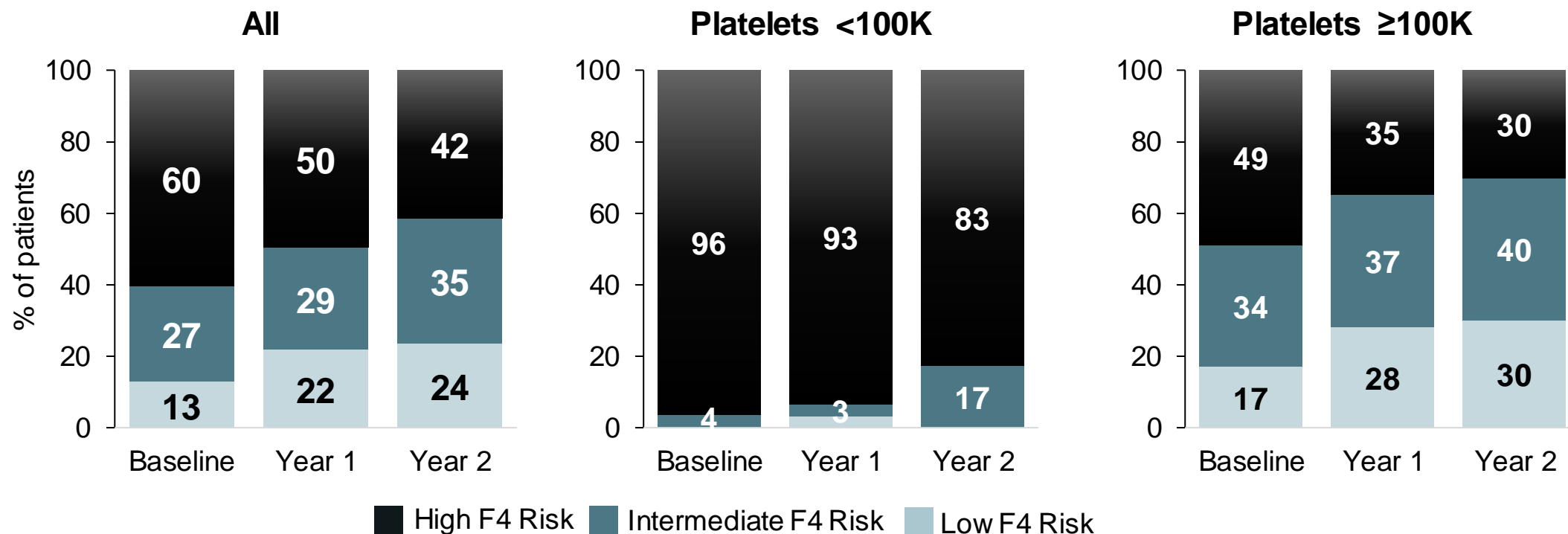


- >90% of patient with platelets <100k have CSPH/probable CSPH
- Resmetirom treatment shifted 2/3 of patients with CSPH to lower Baveno CSPH risk score

^aJ Hepatol. 2021 Dec 30;76(4):959–974. doi: 10.1016/j.jhep.2021.12.022

Risk of CSPH	Baveno ^a
CSPH	VCTE ≥ 25
Probable CSPH	20 ≤ VCTE < 25 & PLT < 150 or 15 ≤ VCTE < 20 & PLT < 110
No/Low CSPH	Not meeting above criteria

Agile-4 Cirrhosis Risk



- Agile-4 predicts the likelihood of having F4 stage fibrosis (cirrhosis)
 - Sensitivity and specificity of predicting cirrhosis and ruling out cirrhosis, 0.93 and 0.90^{a,b}: parameters include VCTE, platelets, AST/ALT ratio, sex, diabetes status
- Resmetirom shifts patients to a lower Agile-4 Score and lower risk of cirrhosis

Agile 4 Risk Groups	
High F4 Risk	Agile 4 > 0.57
Intermediate F4 Risk	0.25 ≤ Agile 4 ≤ 0.57
Low F4 Risk	Agile 4 < 0.25

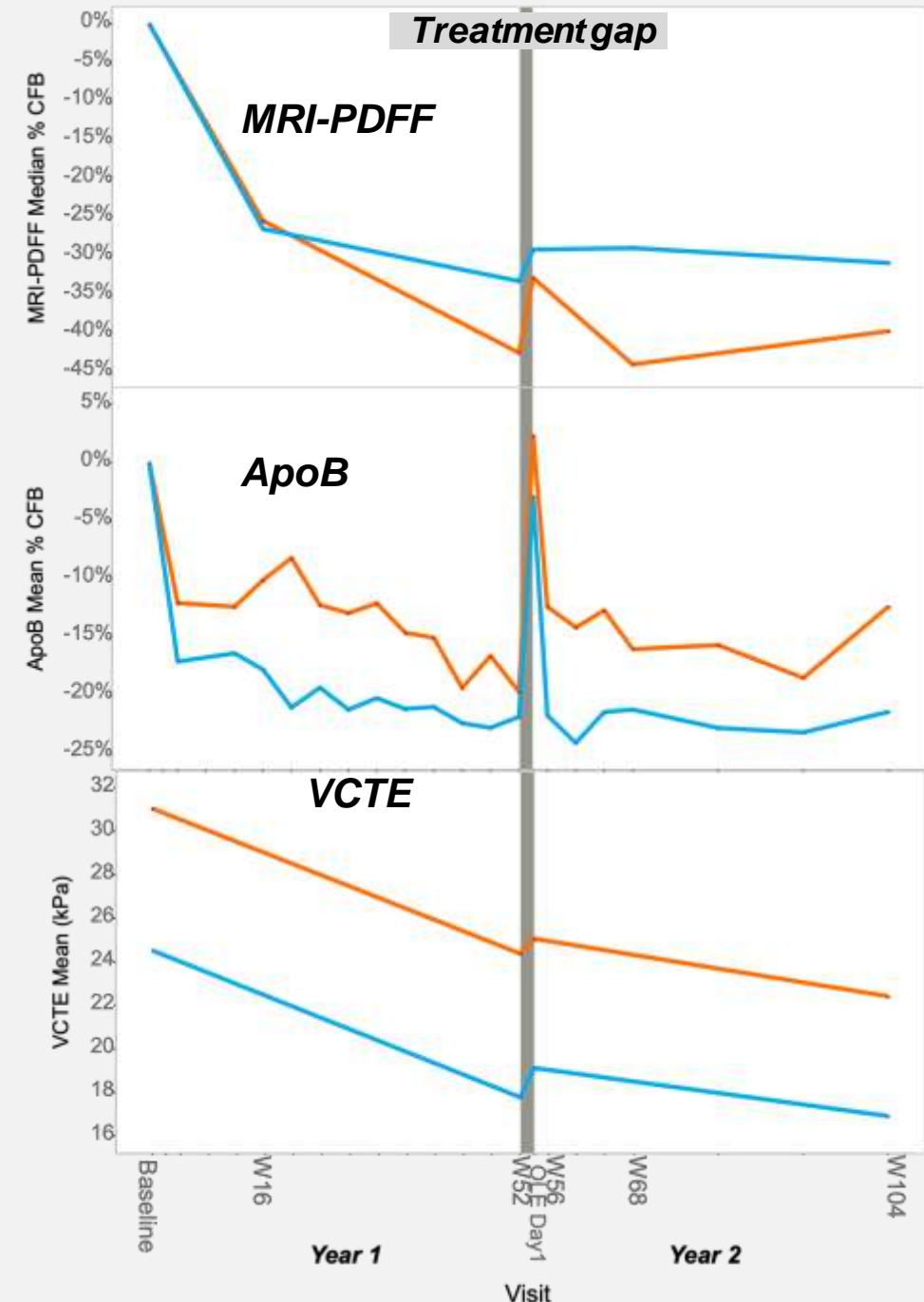
^aDiabetes Obes Metab 2024 Dec 20;27(3):1406–1414. doi: [10.1111/dom.16142](https://doi.org/10.1111/dom.16142); ^bSanyal AJ, Foucquier J, Younossi ZM, et al. J Hepatol. 2023;78:247-259. Enhanced diagnosis of advanced fibrosis and cirrhosis in individuals with NAFLD using FibroScan-based agile scores.

Impact of Resmetirom Treatment Interruption

- Resmetirom treatment was interrupted for approximately 77 days between Year 1 and Year 2
- MRI-PDFF, Apolipoprotein B (ApoB), VCTE (liver stiffness) decreased during Year 1 of resmetirom treatment and increased during the treatment gap between Year 1 and Year 2
- Addition of resmetirom at Year 2 led to restoration of resmetirom treatment effect that was observed at the end of Year 1

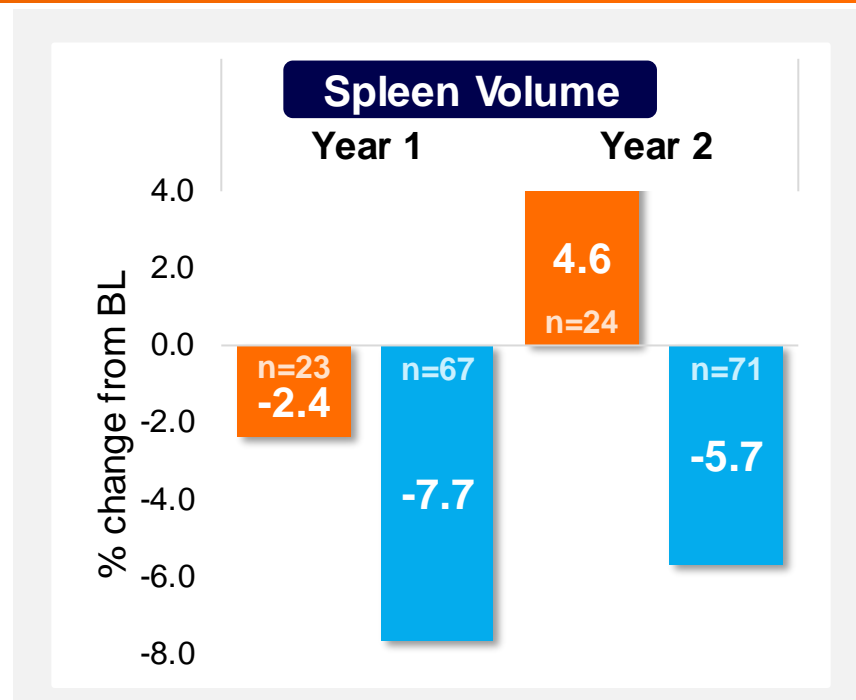
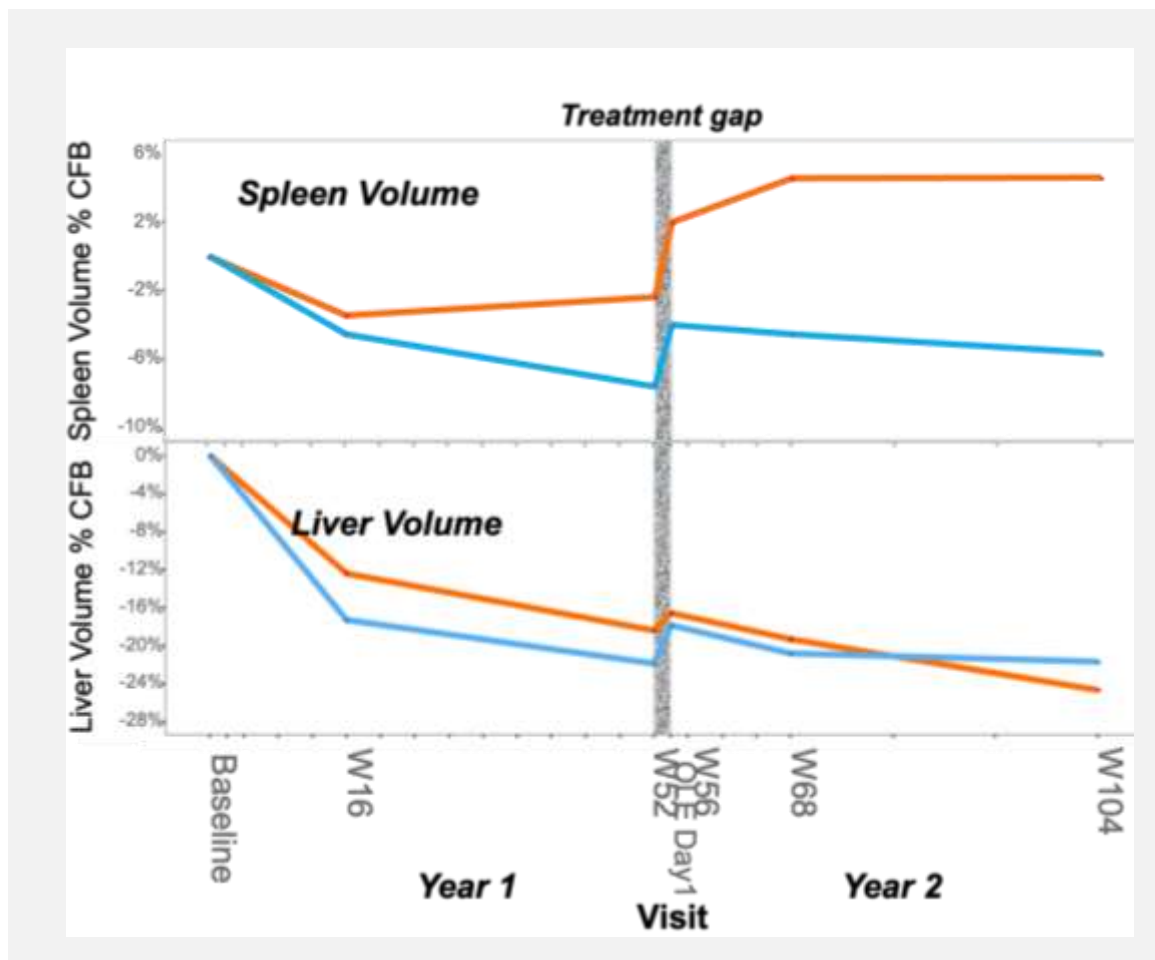
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Baseline platelets ≥ 100k ■

MRI-PDFF: magnetic resonance imaging-proton densityfat fraction; ApoB, apolipoprotein B; VCTE, vibration controlled transient elastography



Spleen Volume Improvement

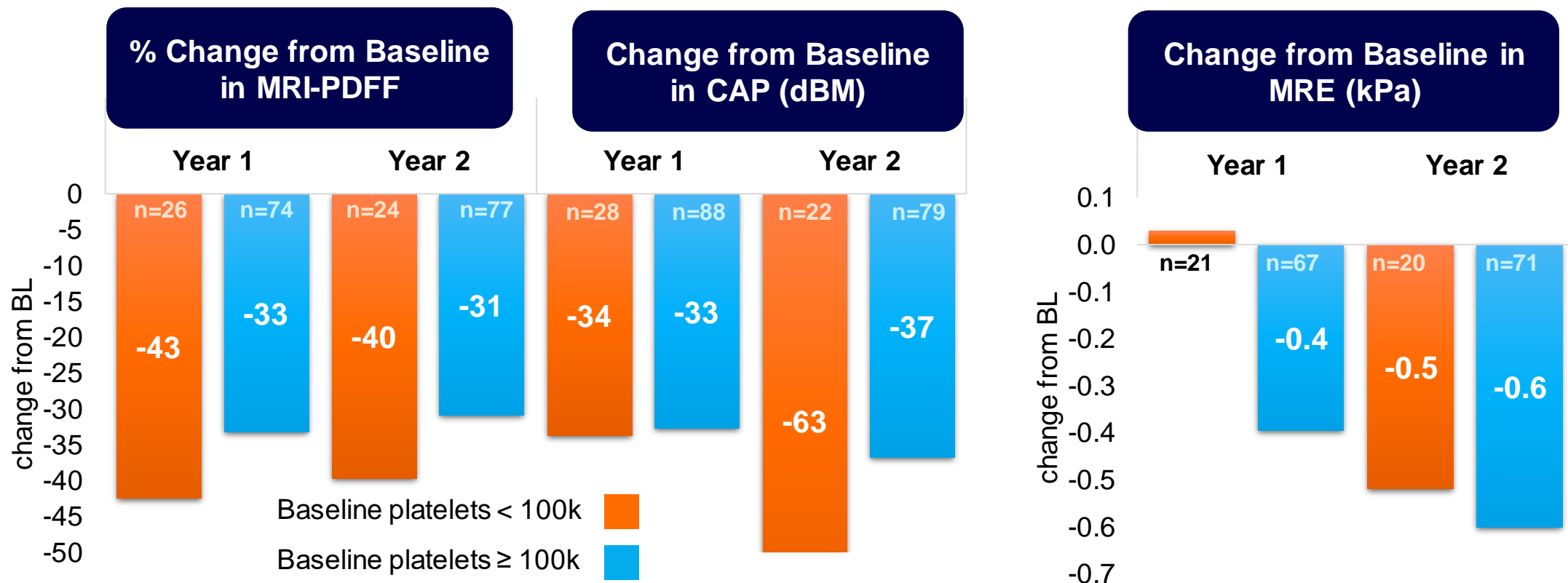
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- In Year 1, both platelet groups showed a decline in spleen and liver volume
- The gap in resmetirom treatment led to a rapid increase in spleen volume, more notable in group with baseline platelets <100K
- Year 2 of treatment stabilized spleen volume in patients with platelets <100K
- Spleen volume was significantly^a decreased in patients with platelets ≥100K and correlated with an increase in platelet count (correlation coefficient= -0.53)

^a95% confidence intervals, spleen volume (platelets ≥100k): Year 1, (-10.6, -4.7); Year 2, (-9.5, -1.9).

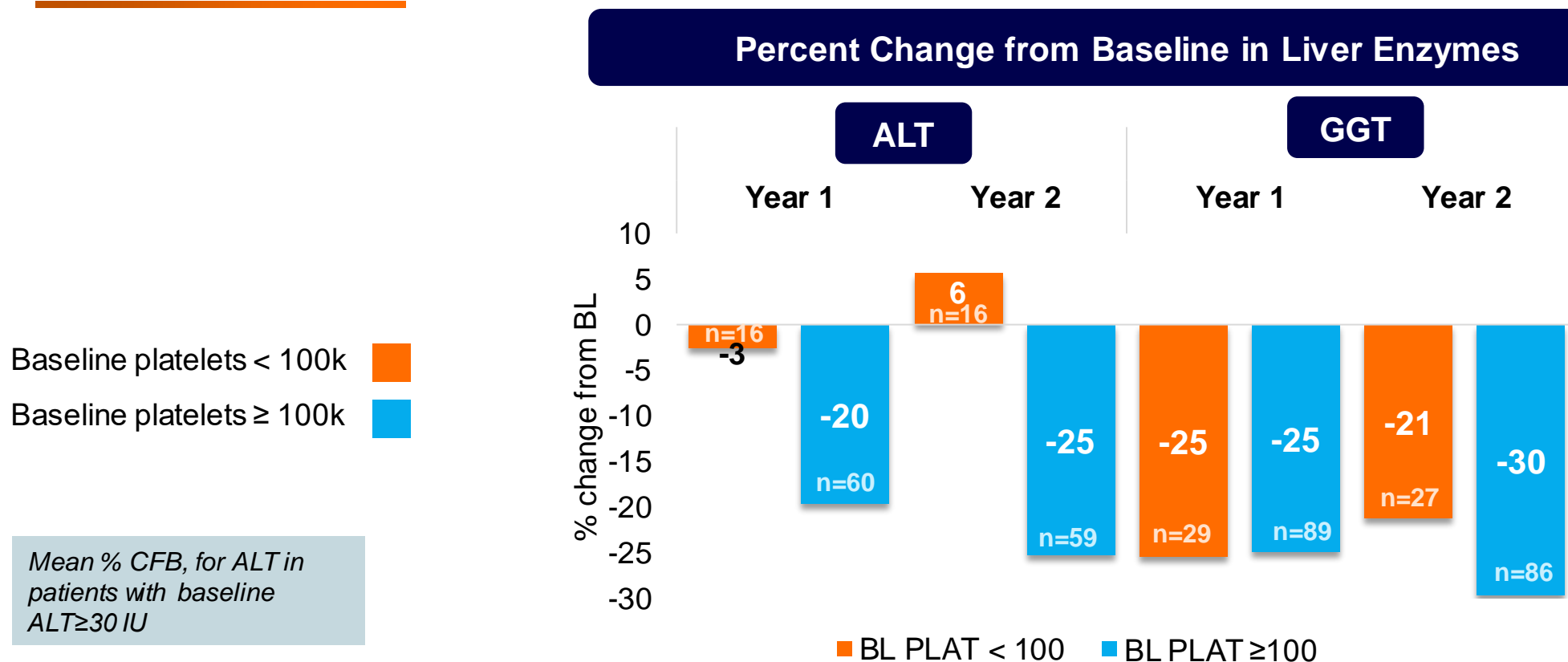
Improvement in Imaging Measures Independent of Baseline Platelets



Statistically significant improvements in MRI-PDFF, CAP and MRE at 2 Years

Based on observed data – Median % CFB for MRI-PDFF; IQR: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-63%, -7%), Year 2, (-62%, -17%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-49%, -3%), Year 2, (-53%, 6%)
Mean CFB for CAP and MRE; CAP 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-57, -10), Year 2, (-90, -37); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-46, -19), Year 2, (-53, -20); MRE 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-0.6, 0.6), Year 2, (-1.2, 0.2);
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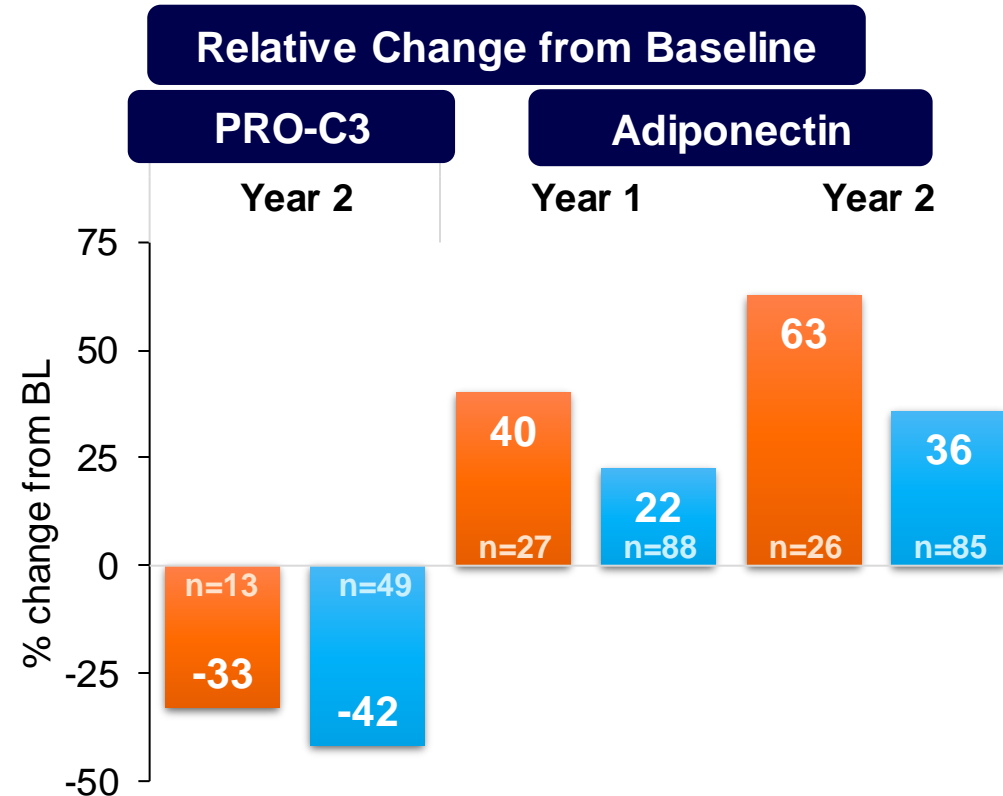
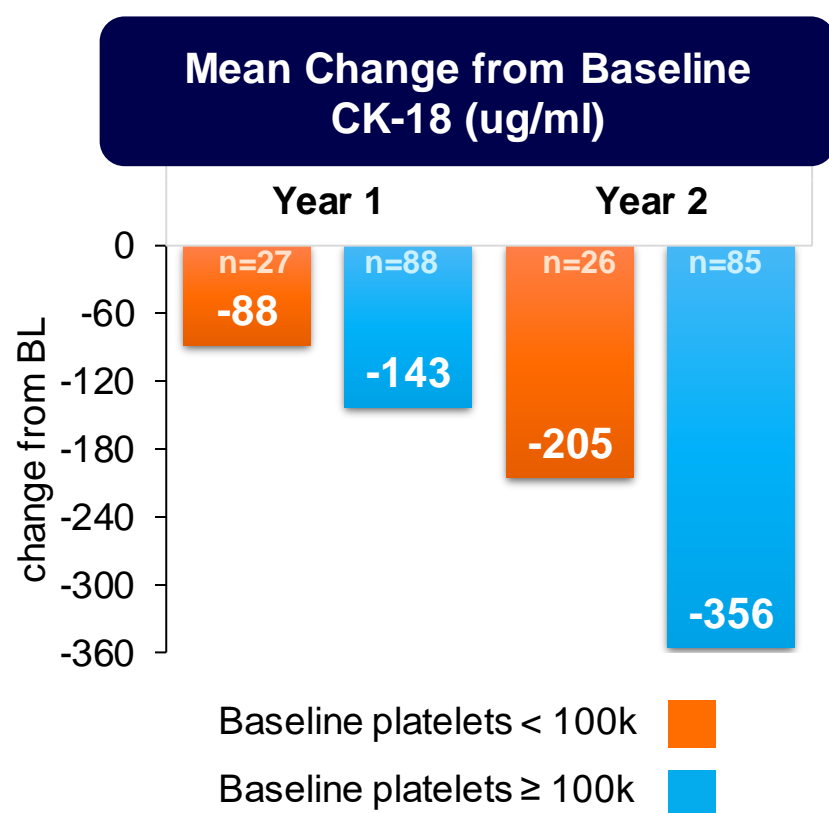
Improvements in ALT and GGT



- Statistically significant liver enzyme reductions especially in group with baseline platelets ≥ 100k
- No change in MELD

Based on observed data – Mean % CFB, for ALT in patients with baseline ALT ≥ 30 IU; ALT 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-22%, 16%), Year 2, (-15%, 27%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-29%, -10%), Year 2, (-33%, -17%); GGT 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-33%, -18%), Year 2, (-39%, -4%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-32%, -18%), Year 2, (-38%, -22%).
ALT: alanine aminotransferase; GGT: gamma-glutamyl transferase; CFB, change from baseline

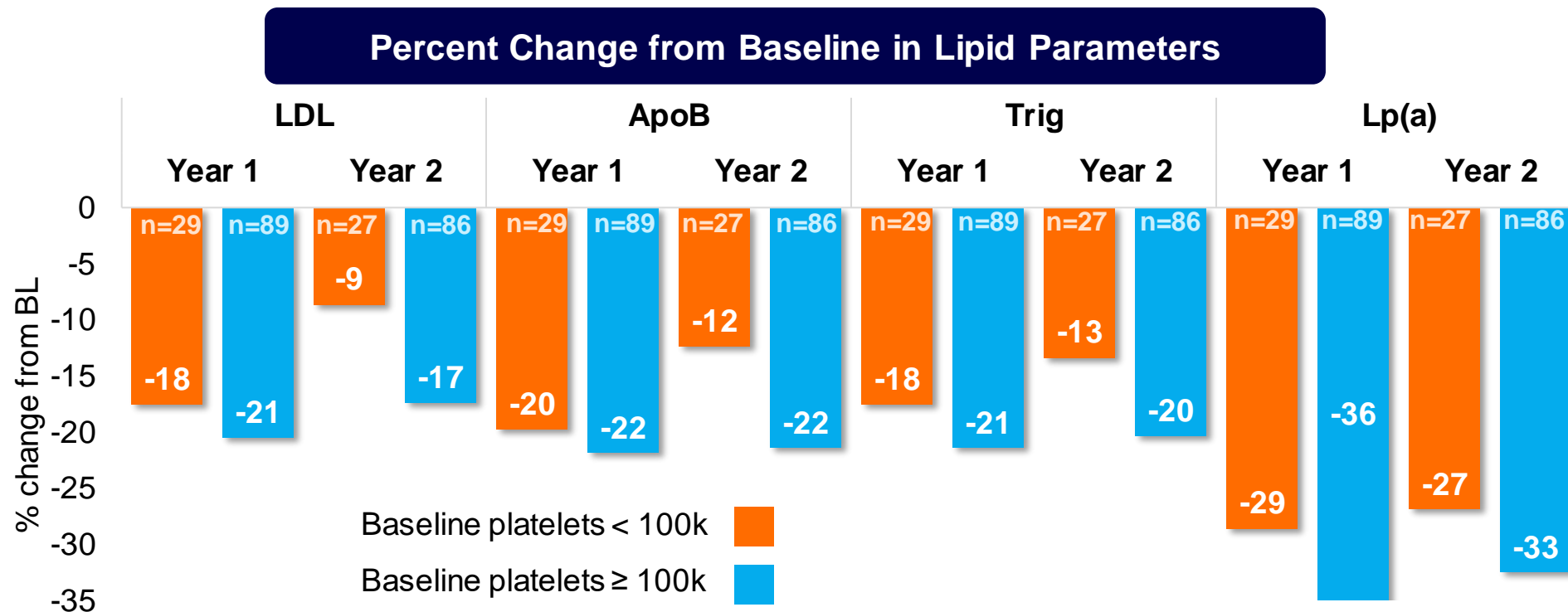
Reductions in Fibrosis and Liver Injury Biomarkers



Statistically significant changes in liver injury/fibrosis markers

Based on observed data – Mean CFB for CK-18; 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-196,20), Year 2, (-309,-102); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-252,-35), Year 2, (-452,-260); Mean % CFB for PRO-C3 and Adiponectin; PRO-C3 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 2, (-57%, -9%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 2, (-49%, -35%); Adiponectin 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (15%, 65%), Year 2, (25%, 100%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (13%, 32%), Year 2, (24%, 48%)

Sustained Reductions in Atherogenic Lipids and Lipoproteins



Statistically significant atherogenic lipid reductions consistent with non-cirrhotic MASH, independent of liver fat content

Based on observed data – Mean % CFB; LDL 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-25%, -11%), Year 2, (-21%, 3%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-26%, -15%), Year 2, (-24%, -11%); ApoB 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-26%, -13%), Year 2, (-20%, -5%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-26%, -18%), Year 2, (-26%, -17%); Trig 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-33%, -2%), Year 2, (-40%, 13%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-27%, -16%), Year 2, (-28%, -13%); Lp(a) 95% CI: BL PLAT < 100K, Year 1, (-38%, -19%), Year 2, (-41%, -13%); BL PLAT ≥ 100K, Year 1, (-43%, -30%), Year 2, (-42%, -23%).
 LDL: low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; ApoB: Apolipoprotein B; Trig, Triglycerides; Lp(a), lipoprotein(a).

Safety Summary (2 years of Resmetirom treatment)

Summary AEs	Resmetirom (n=122)
Any TEAE	120 (98.4%)
Any SAE	27 (22.1%)
TEAE leading to Trial Discontinuation	3 (2.5%)
Death	2 (1.6%)
Common AEs occurring in >15% of patients	Resmetirom (n=122)
Diarrhea	46 (37.7%)
COVID-19	38 (31.1%)
Nausea	38 (31.1%)
Urinary Tract Infection	31 (25.4%)
Headache	20 (16.4%)
Pruritus	20 (16.4%)
Fatigue	19 (15.6%)
Arthralgia	18 (14.8%)
Vomiting	18 (14.8%)

Data are n (%); 2 deaths are COVID and metastatic cancer. TEAE, treatment emergent adverse event; SAE, serious adverse event; BMD, bone marrow density

- Safety data were consistent with previous studies
- Resmetirom was well-tolerated in this high-risk population, low discontinuation rate
 - All SAEs were unrelated to study drug
- No change in BMD or fracture risk over two years
- Overall, 6/122 patients experienced decompensation events through 2 years of treatment
 - 5/6 patients had platelets <100k and elevated spleen volume at baseline

Summary

- Resmetirom treatment for 2 years led to statistically significant improvement in multiple imaging and biomarker parameters
- Temporary interruption of resmetirom treatment between year 1 and 2 led to temporary attenuation of beneficial effects that generally reversed with treatment restoration
- Patients with platelets <100k at baseline, 25% of the enrolled population, had more hepatic decompensation events after two years of treatment
- These findings highlight the potential of resmetirom to demonstrate clinical benefit in MAESTRO-NASH OUTCOMES, an ongoing 845 clinical outcome study in patients with cirrhosis due to MASH