

New and Emerging Treatments for Pulmonary Fibrosis

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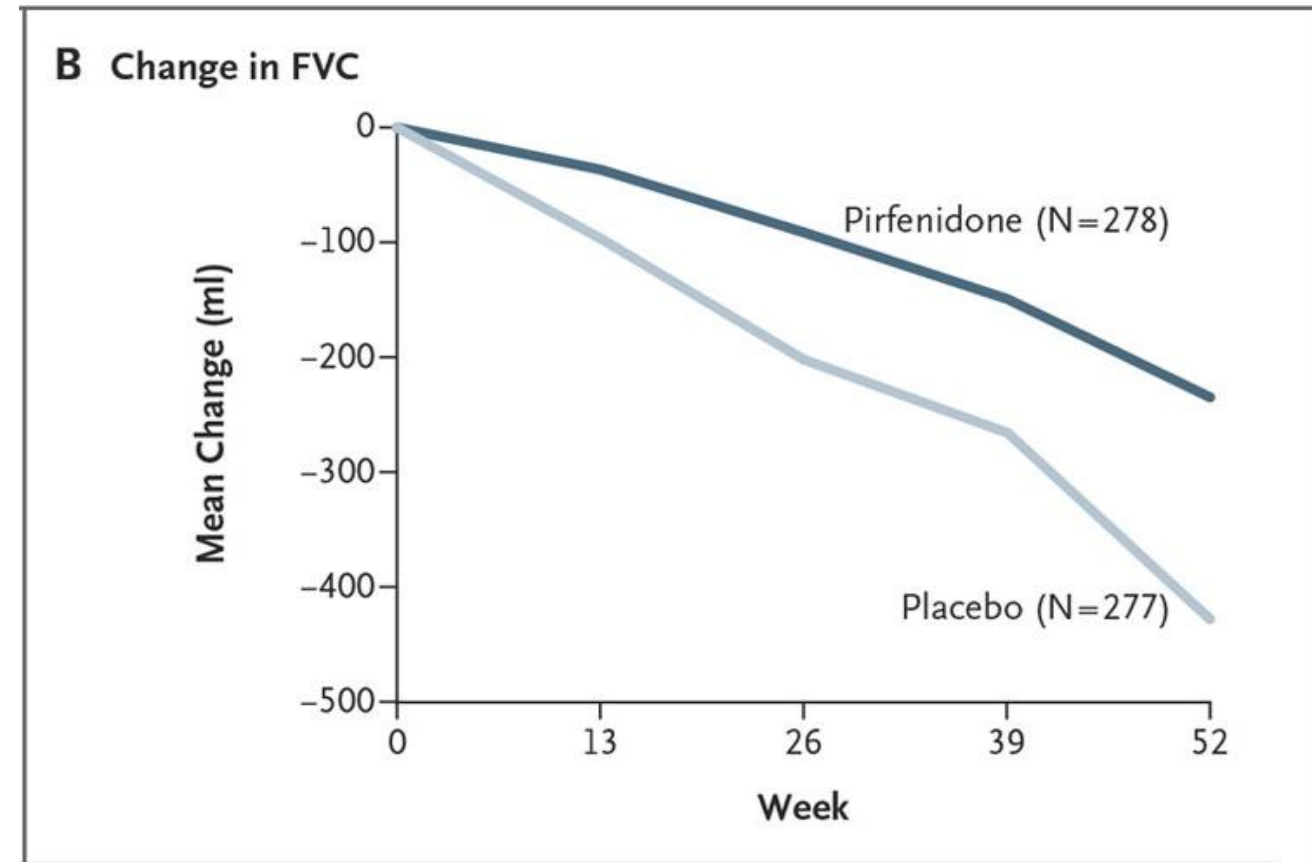
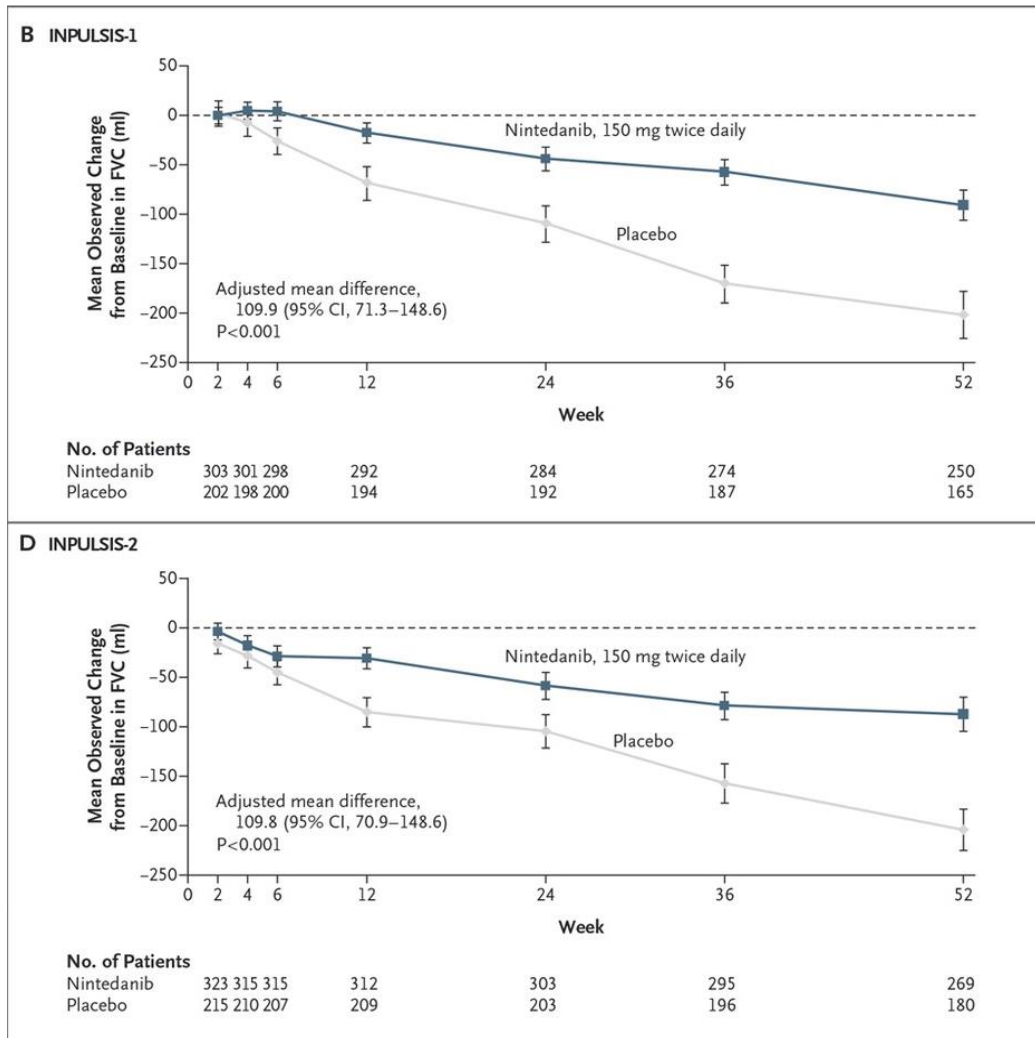
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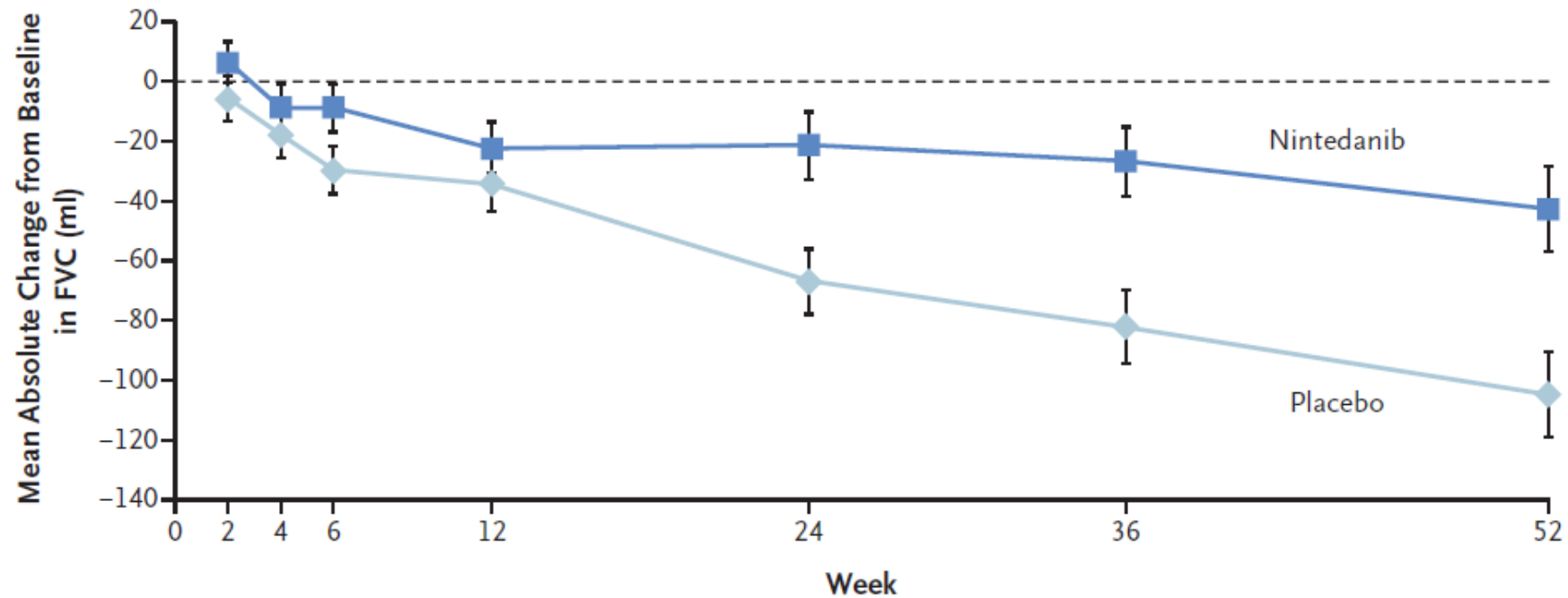


Existing “Legacy” Antifibrotic Therapy: INPULSIS and ASCEND Trials



SENSCIS Trial: Antifibrotics for SSc-ILD

RCT of Nintedanib vs. placebo for SSc-ILD (n = 576)

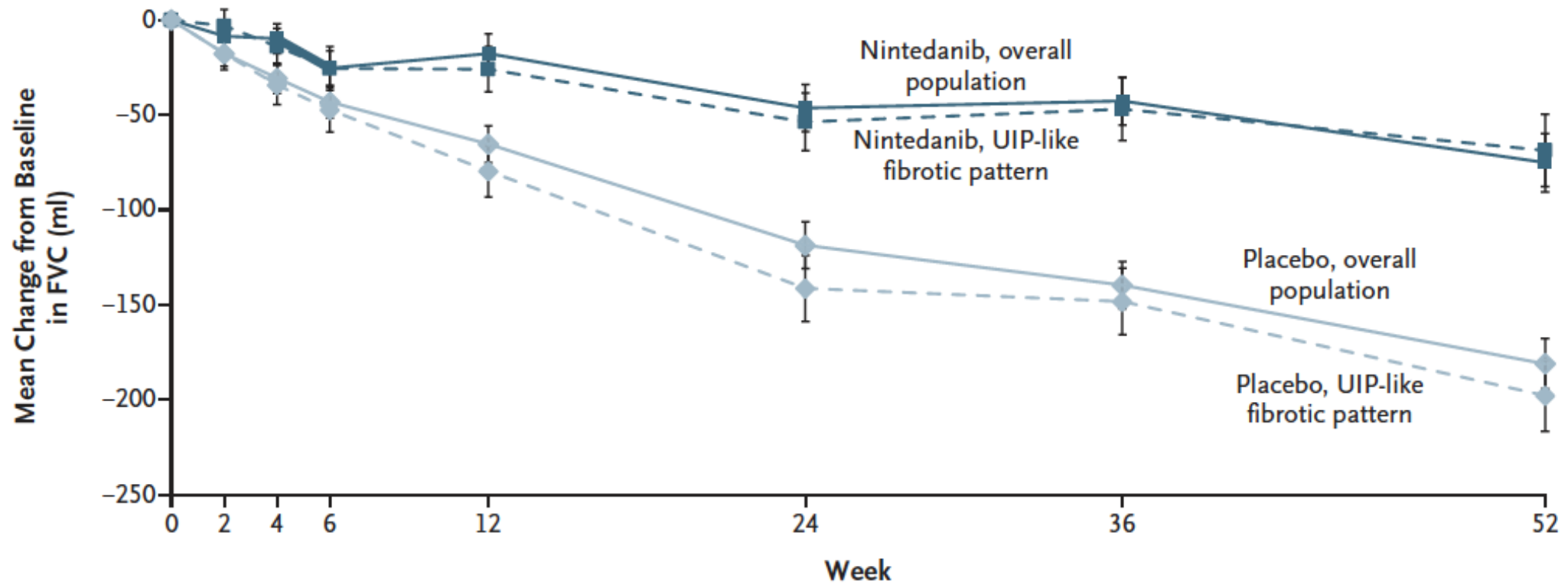


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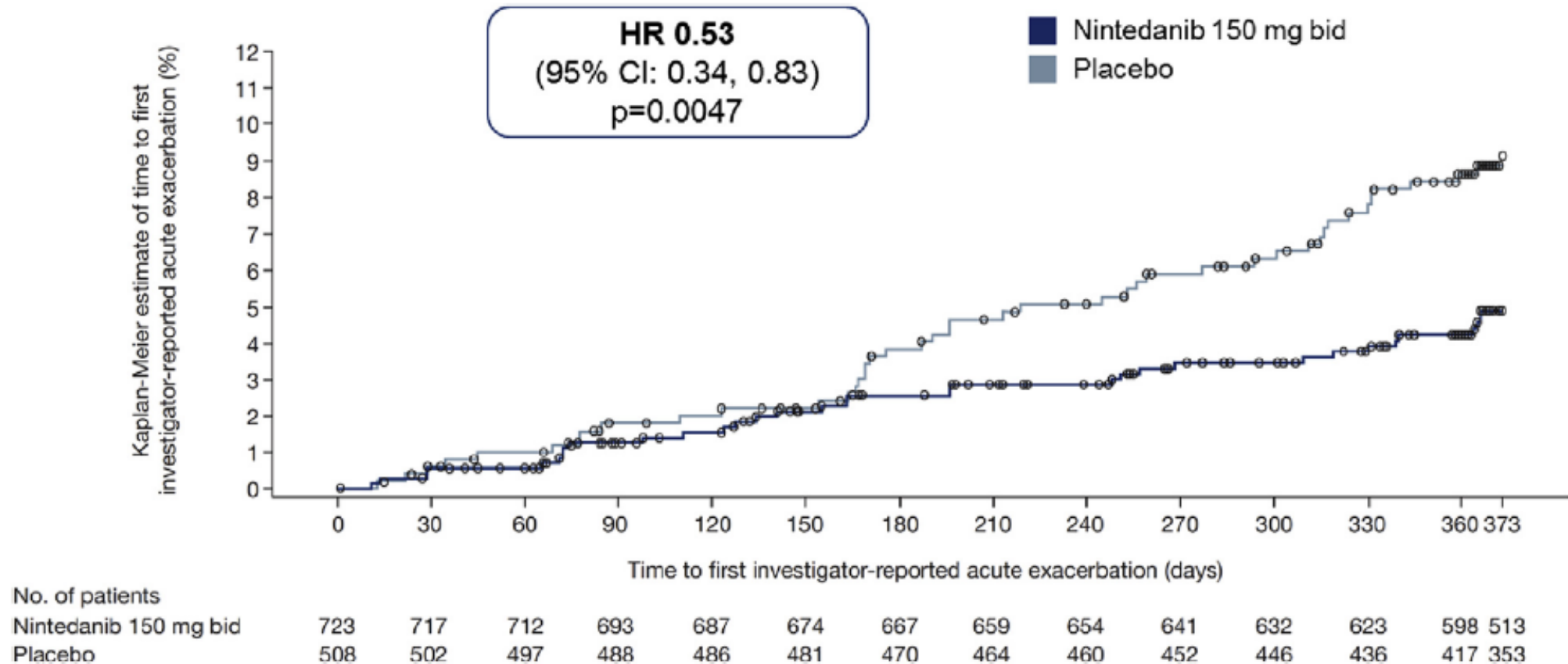
Nintedanib	288	283	281	273	278	265	262	241
Placebo	288	283	281	280	283	280	268	257

INBUILD Trial: Antifibrotics for progressive fibrosing ILDs

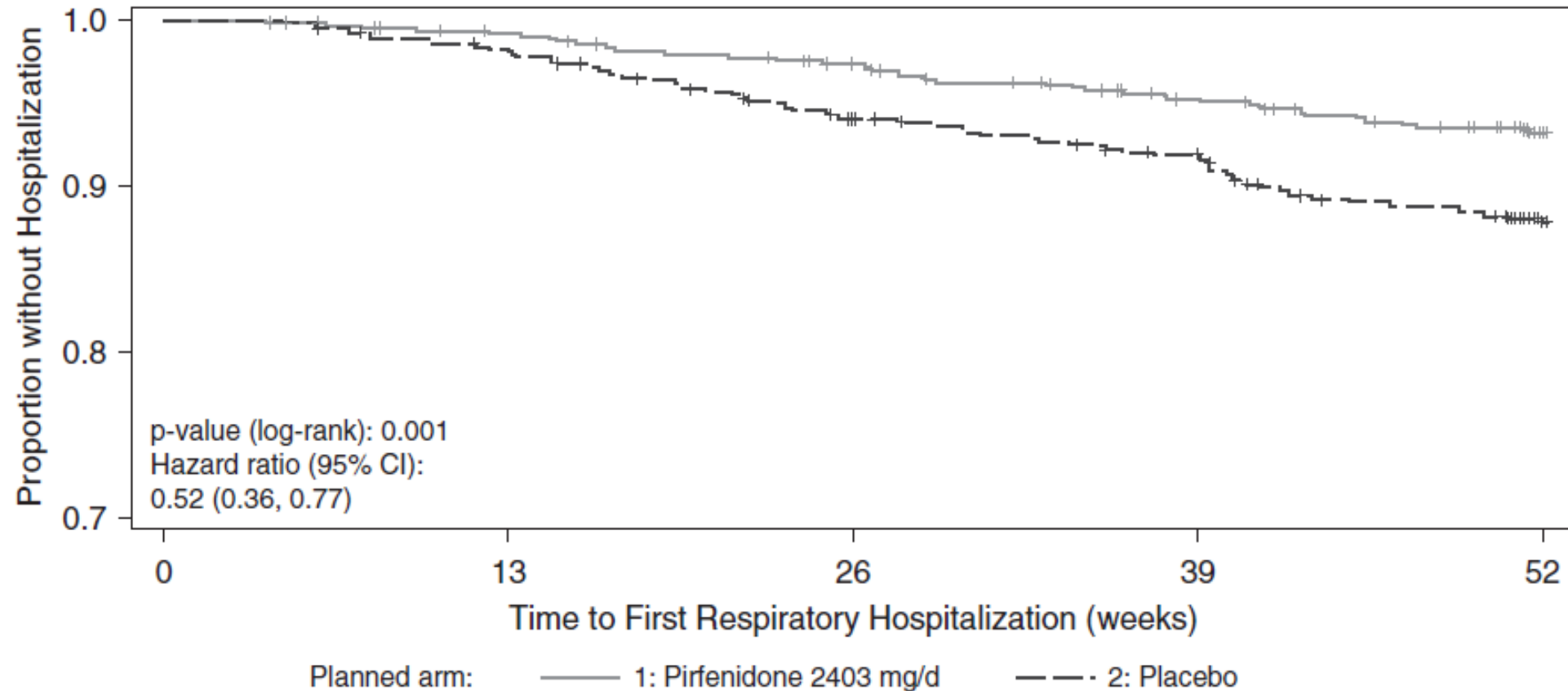
RCT of Nintedanib vs. placebo for **progressive fibrosing** ILD (n = 663)



Effects of Nintedanib on Acute Exacerbations in IPF



Effects of Pirfenidone on Respiratory Hospitalizations in IPF

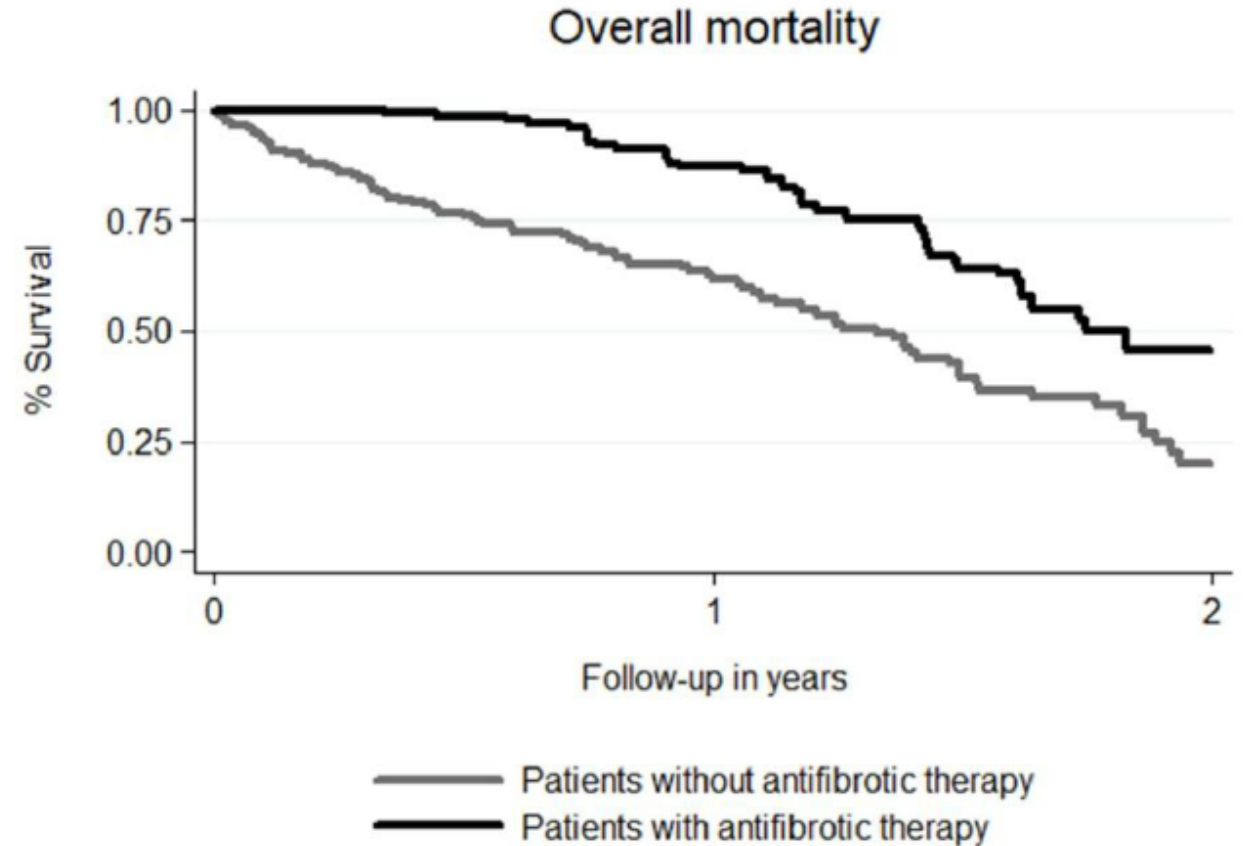
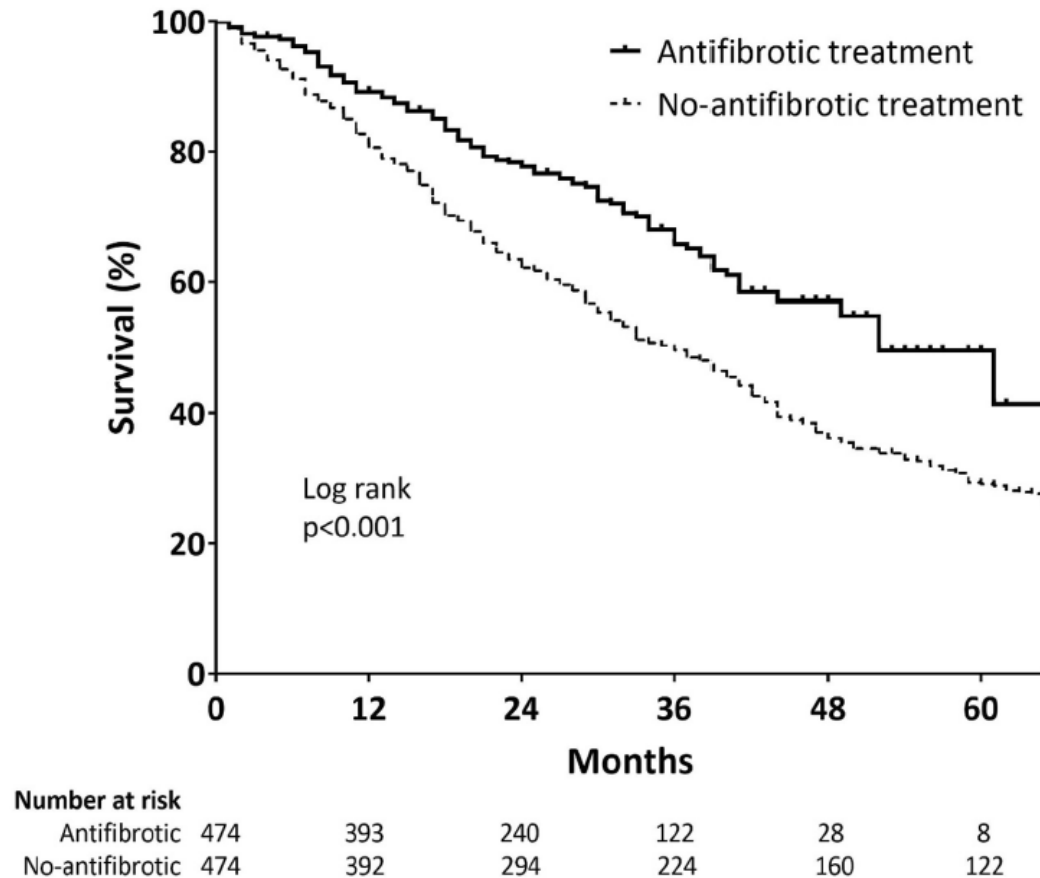


Effects of Antifibrotic Therapy on Mortality

Nintedanib vs Placebo <i>Pooled data* from 3 trials (N=1231); 52 weeks</i>			
Mortality Outcome	Hazard Ratio (95% CI) <i>P</i>	Deaths, %	
		Nintedanib	Placebo
On-treatment	0.57 (0.34–0.97) <i>P</i> =0.0274	3.5	6.7
All-cause	0.70 (0.46–1.08) <i>P</i> =0.0954	5.8	8.3
Respiratory-related	0.62 (0.37–1.06) <i>P</i> =0.0779	3.6	5.7

Pirfenidone vs Placebo <i>Pooled data* from 3 trials (N=1247); 52 weeks†</i>			
Mortality Outcome	Hazard Ratio (95% CI) <i>P</i>	Deaths, %	
		Pirfenidone	Placebo
Treatment-emergent all-cause	0.45 (0.24–0.83) <i>P</i> =0.0094	2.2	5.1
All-cause	0.52 (0.31–0.87) <i>P</i> =0.0107	3.5	6.7
IPF-related	0.35 (0.17–0.72) <i>P</i> =0.0029	1.6	4.5

Do antifibrotics improve survival in IPF in the real world?



Antifibrotic Therapy – the Good and the Bad

Efficacy

Nintedanib	Pirfenidone
~ 50% reduction in FVC decline at 1 year	~ 50% reduction in FVC decline at 1 year
Fewer acute exacerbations?	Fewer respiratory hospitalizations?
Prolongs survival?	Prolongs survival?

Safety/tolerability

Nintedanib	Pirfenidone
Diarrhea (>60%), nausea (24%), vomiting (12%), anorexia (11%), weight loss (10%)	Nausea (35%), vomiting (13%), dyspepsia (18%), anorexia (16%), weight loss (13%)
Thrombosis? MI in 1.6% vs. 0.5%	Photosensitivity rash (28%)
Bleeding?	
GI perforation?	
Transaminitis	Transaminitis



A new era in antifibrotic therapy?

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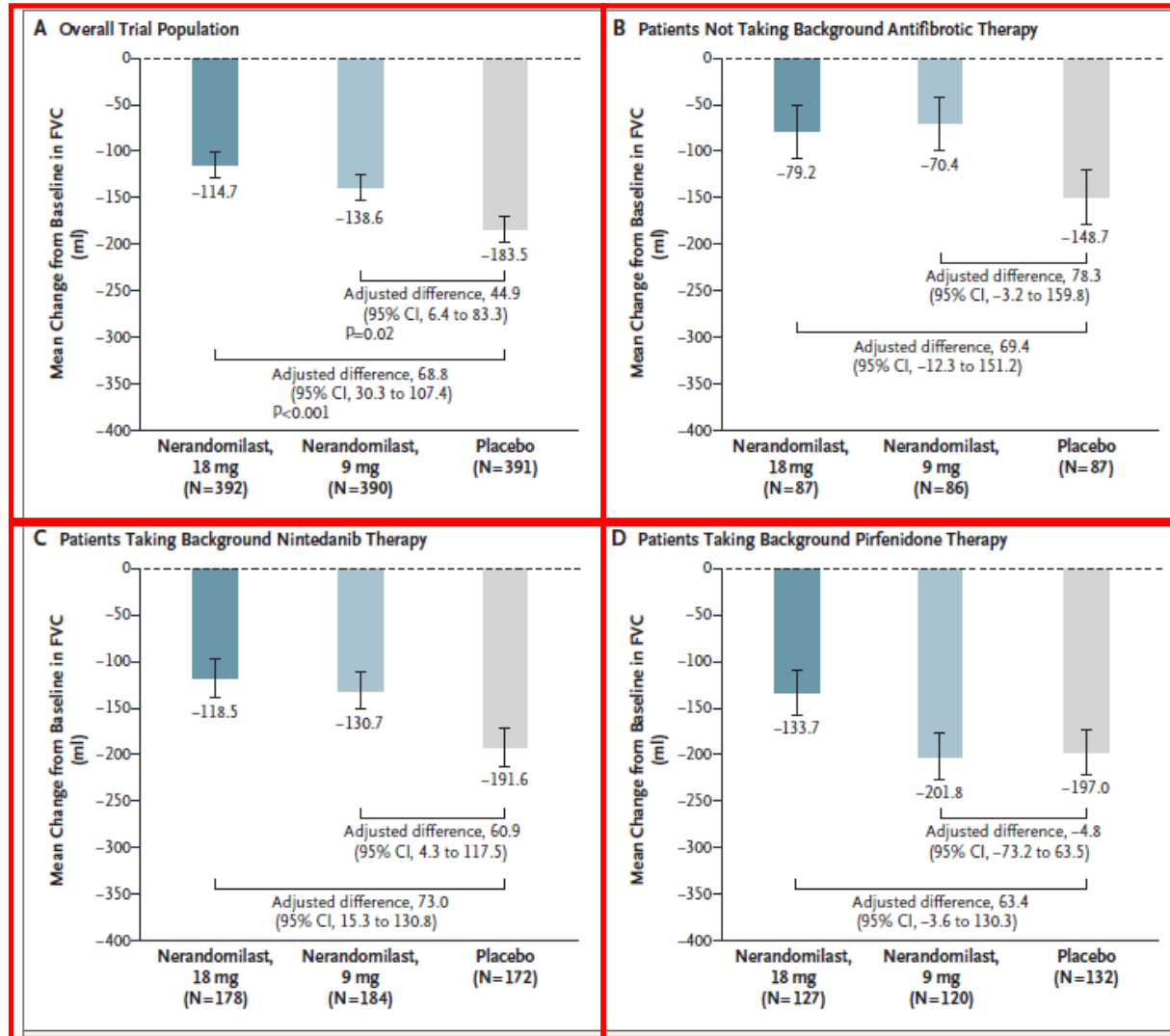
Nerandomilast in Patients with Progressive Pulmonary Fibrosis

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Nerandomilast: PDE4B inhibitor → increases intracellular cAMP

- *In vitro*: inhibits fibroblast proliferation, myofibroblast activity, and lung microvascular permeability
- PDE4 inhibition attenuates experimental lung fibrosis in mice

FIBRONEER-IPF: Nerandomilast slows FVC decline in IPF



Nerandomilast 18 mg vs. 9 mg. vs placebo PO BID (n = 1177)

➤ 9 mg and 18 mg both reduced FVC decline at 52 weeks

- 9 mg vs. placebo 45 ml ($p = 0.02$)
- 18 mg vs. placebo 69 ml ($p < 0.001$)

➤ No background Rx (22%) or background nintedanib (45%)

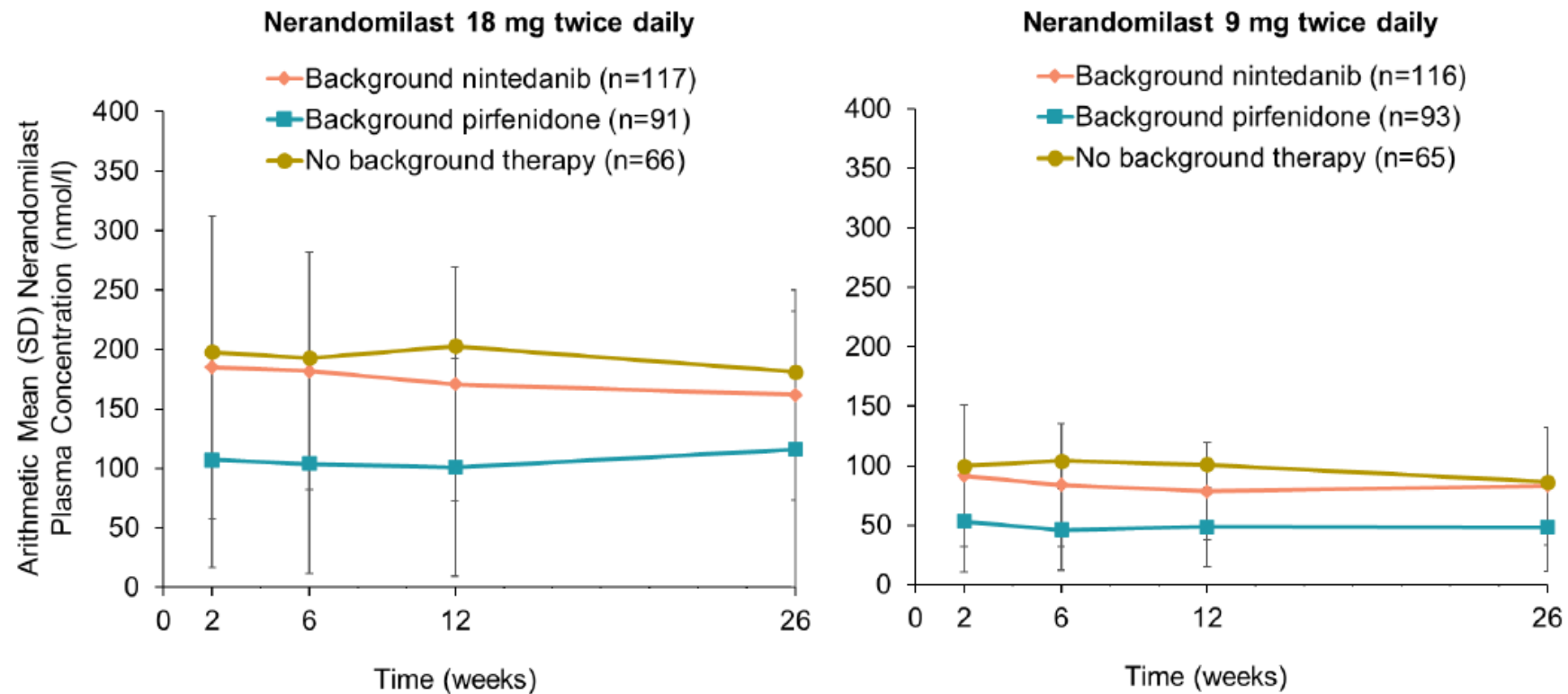
- 9 mg $\approx$ 18 mg

➤ Background pirfenidone (32%)

- Only 18 mg dose was effective!

Pirfenidone lowers nerandomilast plasma levels ~50%

Figure S12. Plasma concentration–time profiles of nerandomilast after oral administration of nerandomilast 18 mg twice daily or 9 mg twice daily in patients taking nintedanib, pirfenidone, or no background therapy.



FIBRONEER-IPF: Secondary endpoints

Table 2. Time-to-Event End Points up to First Database Lock.*

End Point	Nerandomilast, 18 mg (N=392)	Nerandomilast, 9 mg (N=392)	Placebo (N=393)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	
				Nerandomilast, 18 mg, vs. Placebo	Nerandomilast, 9 mg, vs. Placebo
				<i>number with event (percent)</i>	
Key secondary end point					
First acute exacerbation, hospitalization for a respiratory cause, or death	85 (21.7)	79 (20.2)	80 (20.4)	1.17 (0.86–1.59)†	1.03 (0.75–1.41)‡
Other secondary end points					
Acute exacerbation or death	50 (12.8)	51 (13.0)	49 (12.5)	1.11 (0.75–1.65)	1.12 (0.76–1.67)
Hospitalization for a respiratory cause or death	75 (19.1)	68 (17.3)	73 (18.6)	1.13 (0.82–1.56)	0.98 (0.70–1.36)
Death	21 (5.4)	26 (6.6)	28 (7.1)	0.81 (0.46–1.43)	1.03 (0.60–1.76)
Absolute decline in percentage of predicted value of FVC of >10 percentage points from baseline or death	94 (24.0)	107 (27.3)	111 (28.2)	0.84 (0.64–1.10)	0.96 (0.74–1.25)
Absolute decline in percentage of predicted value of DLco of >15 percentage points from baseline or death	59 (15.1)	59 (15.1)	66 (16.8)	0.88 (0.62–1.26)	0.98 (0.69–1.41)

➤ No significant differences in secondary endpoints

FIBRONEER-IPF: Adverse Events

Table 3. Adverse Events over a Period of 52 Weeks.*

Event Category	All Patients			No Background Antifibrotic Therapy			Background Nintedanib Therapy			Background Pirfenidone Therapy		
	Nerandomilast		Placebo (N= 393)	Nerandomilast		Placebo (N= 87)	Nerandomilast		Placebo (N= 173)	Nerandomilast		Placebo (N= 133)
	18 mg (N= 392)	9 mg (N= 392)		18 mg (N= 87)	9 mg (N= 88)		18 mg (N= 178)	9 mg (N= 184)		18 mg (N= 127)	9 mg (N= 120)	
	<i>number of patients (percent)</i>											
Any event	372 (95)	364 (93)	371 (94)	79 (91)	77 (88)	83 (95)	174 (98)	175 (95)	163 (94)	119 (94)	112 (93)	125 (94)
Most frequent events†												
Diarrhea	162 (41)	122 (31)	63 (16)	23 (26)	15 (17)	7 (8)	110 (62)	91 (49)	46 (27)	29 (23)	16 (13)	10 (8)
Cough	55 (14)	65 (17)	65 (17)	9 (10)	12 (14)	4 (5)	21 (12)	28 (15)	31 (18)	25 (20)	25 (21)	30 (23)
Covid-19	51 (13)	59 (15)	45 (11)	14 (16)	8 (9)	5 (6)	17 (10)	30 (16)	21 (12)	20 (16)	21 (18)	19 (14)
URT infection	49 (12)	39 (10)	40 (10)	13 (15)	10 (11)	8 (9)	24 (13)	17 (9)	14 (8)	12 (9)	12 (10)	18 (14)
Dyspnea	35 (9)	39 (10)	50 (13)	6 (7)	2 (2)	12 (14)	14 (8)	21 (11)	23 (13)	15 (12)	16 (13)	15 (11)
Nasopharyngitis	35 (9)	40 (10)	44 (11)	8 (9)	9 (10)	12 (14)	17 (10)	19 (10)	19 (11)	10 (8)	12 (10)	13 (10)
Condition aggravated	38 (10)	32 (8)	40 (10)	7 (8)	3 (3)	10 (11)	18 (10)	16 (9)	17 (10)	13 (10)	13 (11)	13 (10)
Weight decreased	40 (10)	35 (9)	30 (8)	6 (7)	1 (1)	5 (6)	28 (16)	24 (13)	19 (11)	6 (5)	10 (8)	6 (5)
Events leading to discontinuation of trial regimen												
Any	55 (14)	46 (12)	42 (11)	6 (7)	7 (8)	7 (8)	38 (21)	31 (17)	22 (13)	11 (9)	8 (7)	13 (10)
Diarrhea	24 (6)	7 (2)	2 (1)	1 (1)	0	0	23 (13)	4 (2)	2 (1)	0	3 (2)	0
Event leading to interruption of trial regimen	76 (19)	72 (18)	56 (14)	11 (13)	12 (14)	13 (15)	48 (27)	45 (24)	21 (12)	17 (13)	15 (12)	22 (17)
Serious events‡												
Any	117 (30)	121 (31)	131 (33)	20 (23)	22 (25)	28 (32)	56 (31)	62 (34)	50 (29)	41 (32)	37 (31)	53 (40)
Fatal event	6 (2)	16 (4)	18 (5)	0	3 (3)	7 (8)	4 (2)	9 (5)	5 (3)	2 (2)	4 (3)	6 (5)

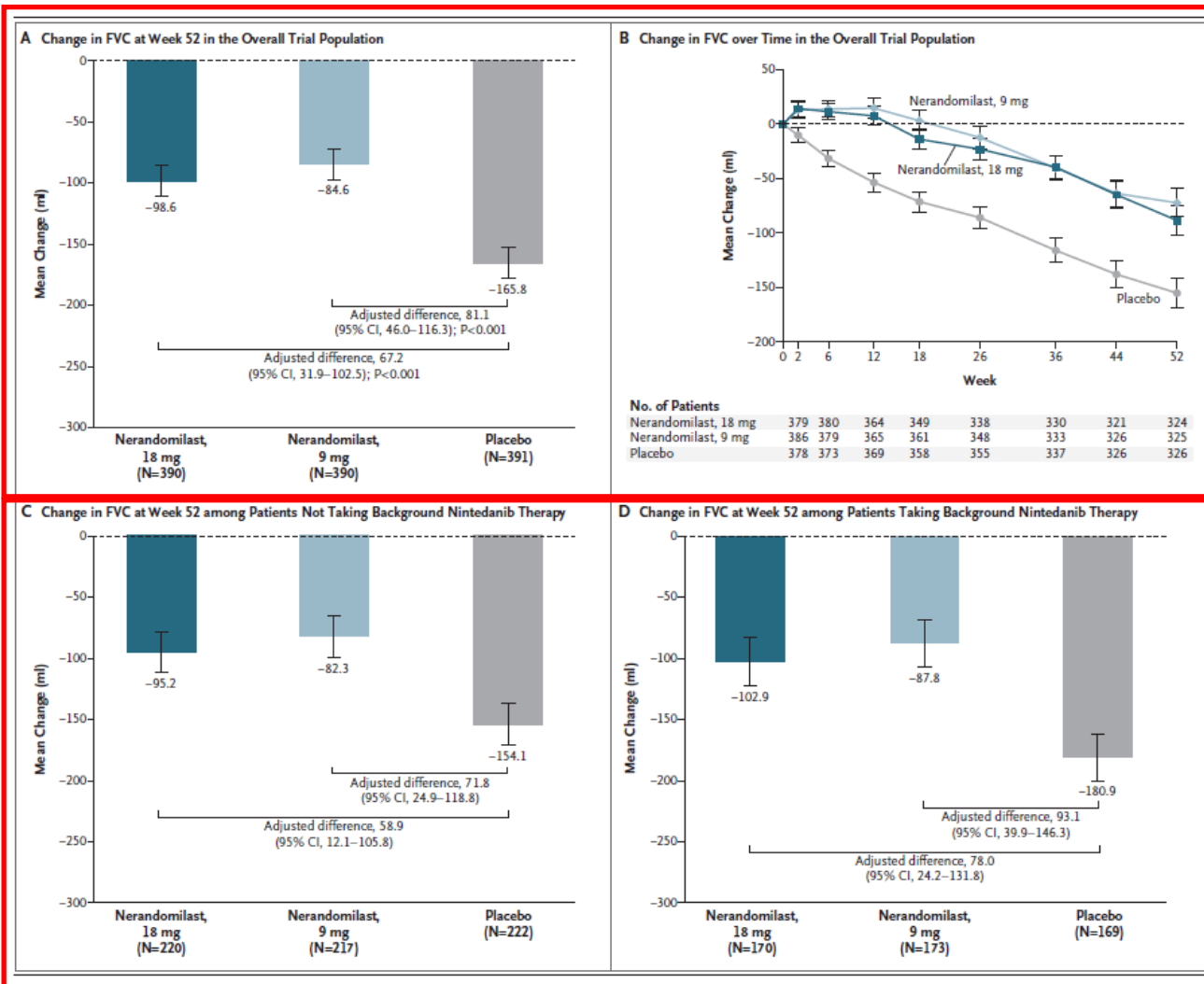
FIBRONEER-ILD: Nerandomilast slows FVC decline in PPF

Nerandomilast 18 mg vs. 9 mg. vs placebo PO BID (n = 1176)

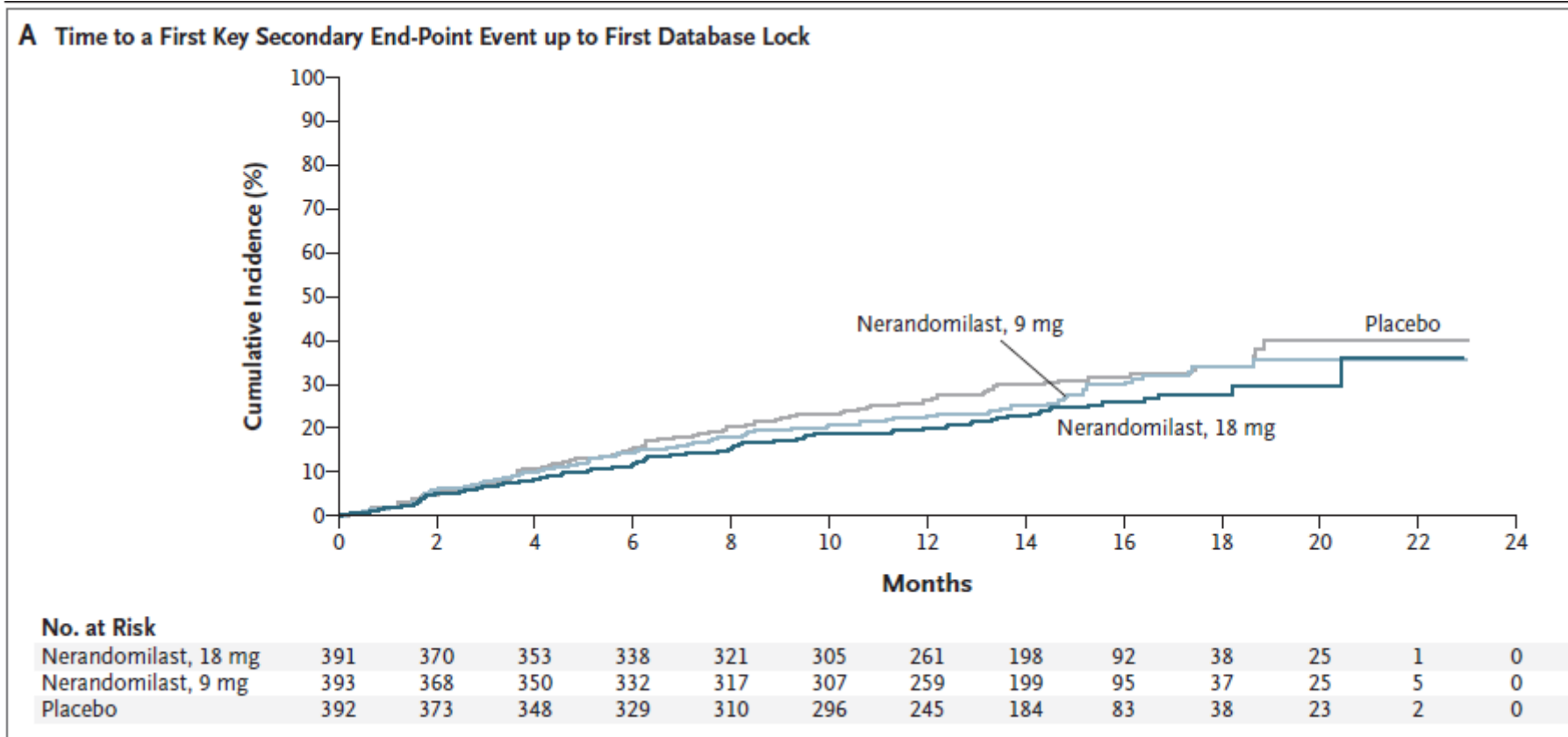
➤ 9 mg and 18 mg both reduced FVC decline at 52 weeks

- 9 mg vs. placebo 81 ml (p < 0.001)
- 18 mg vs. placebo 67 ml (p < 0.001)

➤ Similar results with (44%) and without (56%) background nintedanib

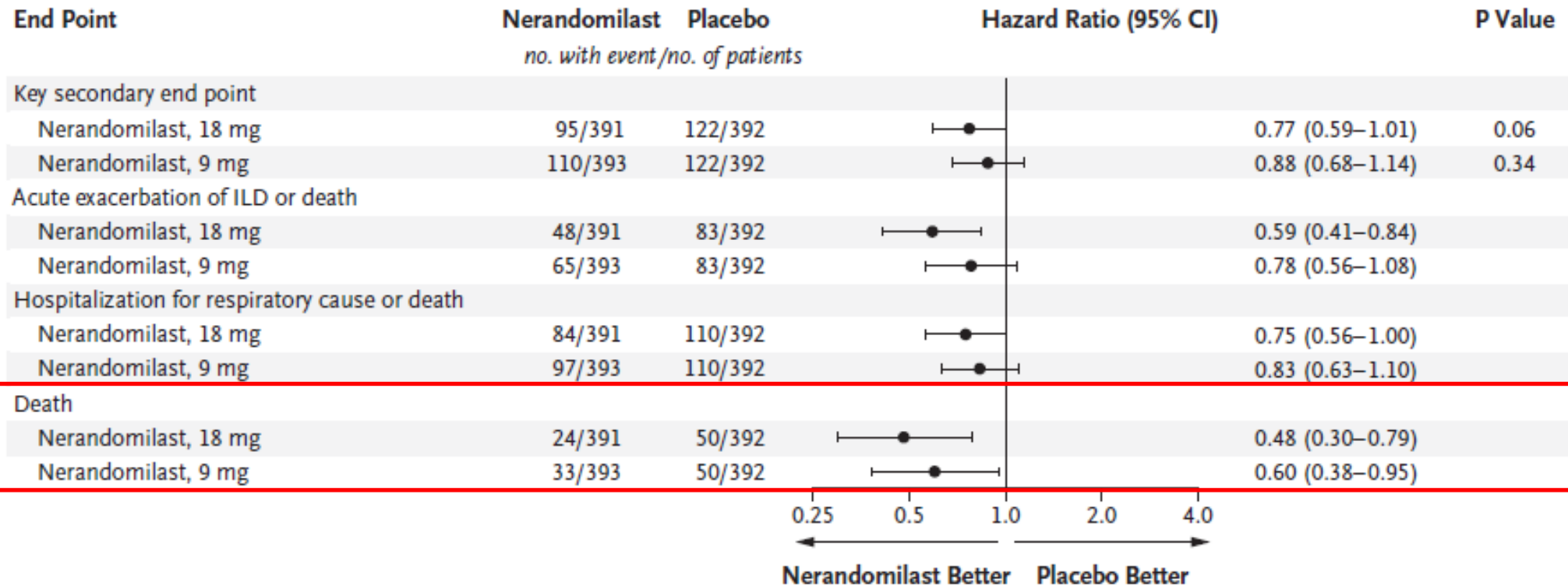


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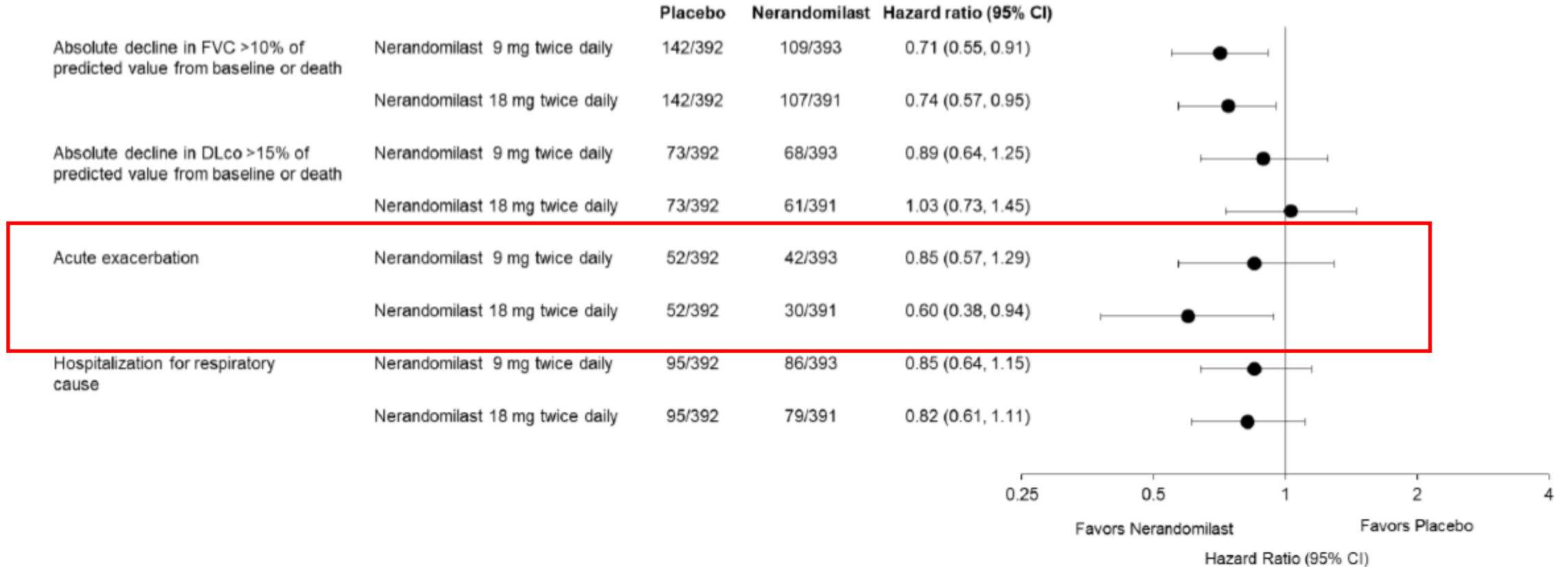


FIBRONEER-ILD: Secondary endpoints

B Analyses of Key Secondary End Point and Related Secondary End Points up to First Database Lock



FIBRONEER-ILD: Secondary endpoints



FIBRONEER-ILD: Adverse Events

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Event Category	All Patients			No Background Nintedanib Therapy			Background Nintedanib Therapy†		
	Nerandomilast		Placebo	Nerandomilast		Placebo	Nerandomilast		Placebo
	18 mg (N = 391)	9 mg (N = 393)	(N = 392)	18 mg (N = 220)	9 mg (N = 220)	(N = 222)	18 mg (N = 171)	9 mg (N = 173)	(N = 170)
	<i>number of patients (percent)</i>								
Any event	362 (92.6)	362 (92.1)	360 (91.8)	202 (91.8)	200 (90.9)	202 (91.0)	160 (93.6)	162 (93.6)	158 (92.9)
Most frequent events‡									
Diarrhea	143 (36.6)	116 (29.5)	97 (24.7)	59 (26.8)	33 (15.0)	35 (15.8)	84 (49.1)	83 (48.0)	62 (36.5)
Cough	58 (14.8)	49 (12.5)	55 (14.0)	35 (15.9)	24 (10.9)	31 (14.0)	23 (13.5)	25 (14.5)	24 (14.1)
URT infection	46 (11.8)	39 (9.9)	60 (15.3)	31 (14.1)	26 (11.8)	44 (19.8)	15 (8.8)	13 (7.5)	16 (9.4)
Covid-19	42 (10.7)	41 (10.4)	58 (14.8)	26 (11.8)	20 (9.1)	27 (12.2)	16 (9.4)	21 (12.1)	31 (18.2)
Condition aggravated	28 (7.2)	46 (11.7)	57 (14.5)	12 (5.5)	24 (10.9)	34 (15.3)	16 (9.4)	22 (12.7)	23 (13.5)
Depression	40 (10.2)	38 (9.7)	44 (11.2)	23 (10.5)	21 (9.5)	24 (10.8)	17 (9.9)	17 (9.8)	20 (11.8)
Nasopharyngitis	34 (8.7)	45 (11.5)	39 (9.9)	16 (7.3)	21 (9.5)	18 (8.1)	18 (10.5)	24 (13.9)	21 (12.4)
Anxiety	37 (9.5)	40 (10.2)	37 (9.4)	22 (10.0)	20 (9.1)	20 (9.0)	15 (8.8)	20 (11.6)	17 (10.0)
Nausea	40 (10.2)	30 (7.6)	26 (6.6)	13 (5.9)	9 (4.1)	8 (3.6)	27 (15.8)	21 (12.1)	18 (10.6)
Weight decreased	42 (10.7)	27 (6.9)	23 (5.9)	23 (10.5)	11 (5.0)	9 (4.1)	19 (11.1)	16 (9.2)	14 (8.2)
Event leading to discontinuation of trial regimen									
Any	39 (10.0)	32 (8.1)	40 (10.2)	19 (8.6)	16 (7.3)	23 (10.4)	20 (11.7)	16 (9.2)	17 (10.0)
Diarrhea	10 (2.6)	5 (1.3)	2 (0.5)	3 (1.4)	0	0	7 (4.1)	5 (2.9)	2 (1.2)
Event leading to interruption of trial regimen	69 (17.6)	68 (17.3)	59 (15.1)	28 (12.7)	31 (14.1)	30 (13.5)	41 (24.0)	37 (21.4)	29 (17.1)
Serious events§									
Any	130 (33.2)	125 (31.8)	138 (35.2)	65 (29.5)	68 (30.9)	82 (36.9)	65 (38.0)	57 (32.9)	56 (32.9)
Fatal event	8 (2.0)	14 (3.6)	20 (5.1)	5 (2.3)	10 (4.5)	11 (5.0)	3 (1.8)	4 (2.3)	9 (5.3)



October 7, 2025

FDA approves drug to treat idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis

First new treatment in more than a decade for rare lung condition

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Action

Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved [Jascayd \(nerandomilast\) tablets](#) to treat idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), a rare, serious, and progressive disease with no cure and limited treatments. This is the first new therapy approved in more than 10 years for IPF.



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FDA Approves Drug to Treat Chronic, Progressive Lung Disease

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Action

Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved [Jascayd \(nerandomilast\) tablets](#) to treat adults with progressive pulmonary fibrosis (PPF). Jascayd was previously approved to treat idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) in adults.

Incorporating nerandomilast into IPF and PPF treatment algorithms

On existing Rx and tolerating well:

- Pirfenidone → add nerandomilast 18 mg BID
- Nintedanib → add nerandomilast 9* or 18 mg BID

On existing Rx with tolerability issues:

- Switch to alternative legacy antifibrotic or nerandomilast 9 or 18 mg

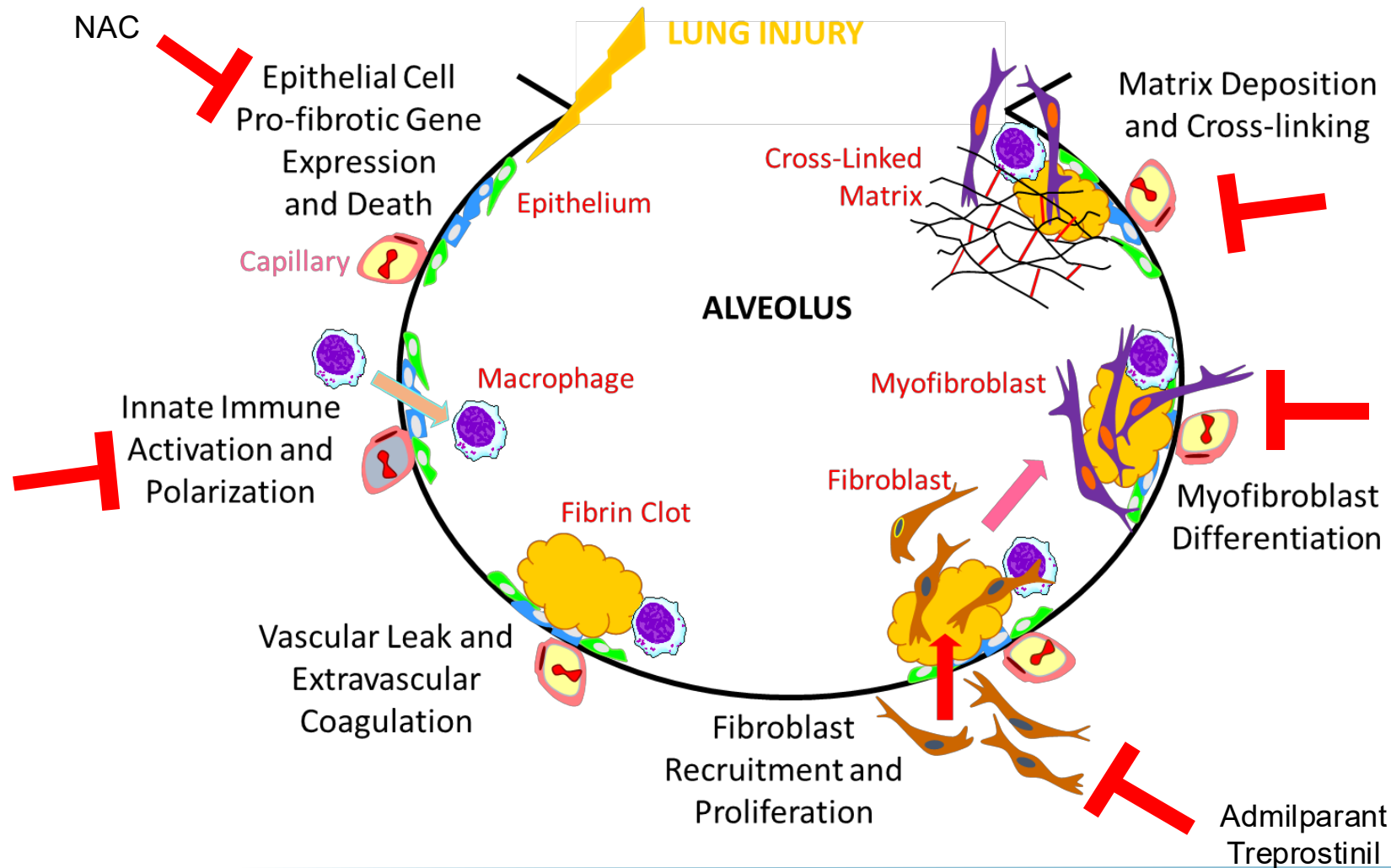
Treatment naïve:

- Pirfenidone/Nintedanib or Nerandomilast first line?
- Nera 9 vs 18 mg depending on plans for combination Rx, concerns for AE's, etc.

*preferred based on tolerability profile?



More PF treatments on the horizon?



Inhaled Treprostinil for PF?

INCREASE Trial: Phase 3 RCT of inhaled Treprostinil for PH-ILD)

Variable	Visit			Contrast: Inhaled treprostinil - Placebo	
Treatment	N	LS Mean	Estimated Difference	P-value	
			(95% CI)		
FVC (mL)					
Week 8					
Inhaled treprostinil	142	5.49	28.47	0.35	
Placebo	141	-22.98	(-30.81, 87.74)		
Week 16					
Inhaled treprostinil	130	9.77	44.40	0.21	
Placebo	126	-34.63	(-25.25, 114.05)		
FVC (% predicted)					
Week 8					
Inhaled treprostinil	142	0.77	1.79	0.01	
Placebo	141	-1.02	(0.37, 3.21)		
Week 16					
Inhaled treprostinil	130	1.07	1.80	0.03	
Placebo	126	-0.72	(0.20, 3.39)		

TETON-1 and TETON-2:

➤ Phase 3 RCTs of inhaled treprostinil in IPF

TETON-PPF

➤ Phase 3 RCT of inhaled treprostinil in PPF

➤ Results expected 2026/2027

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FVC (mL)	Week 8	Inhaled treprostinil	142	5.4
		Placebo	141	-22.1
	Week 16	Inhaled treprostinil	130	9.7
		Placebo	126	-34.1
FVC (% predicted)	Week 8	Inhaled treprostinil	142	0.7
		Placebo	141	-1.0
	Week 16	Inhaled treprostinil	130	1.0
		Placebo	126	-0.7



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United Therapeutics Corporation Announces *TETON-2* Pivotal Study of Tyvaso® Meets Primary Endpoint for the Treatment of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis

Positive results were observed across all subgroups

Study meets several key secondary endpoints with statistical significance

Evolving landscape of PF treatment

