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## OA06 Monoclonals for prevention

# Analytical Treatment Interruption (ATI) in Peru: Stakeholder Engagement & Early Clinical Data



# Summary

## What is your main question?

Can durable virologic control (low or undetectable viral load) off ART be achieved among individuals with early ART initiation +/- **VRC01**, close to HIV acquisition?

- Is it possible to implement an ATI in LMICs, e.g. Peru?

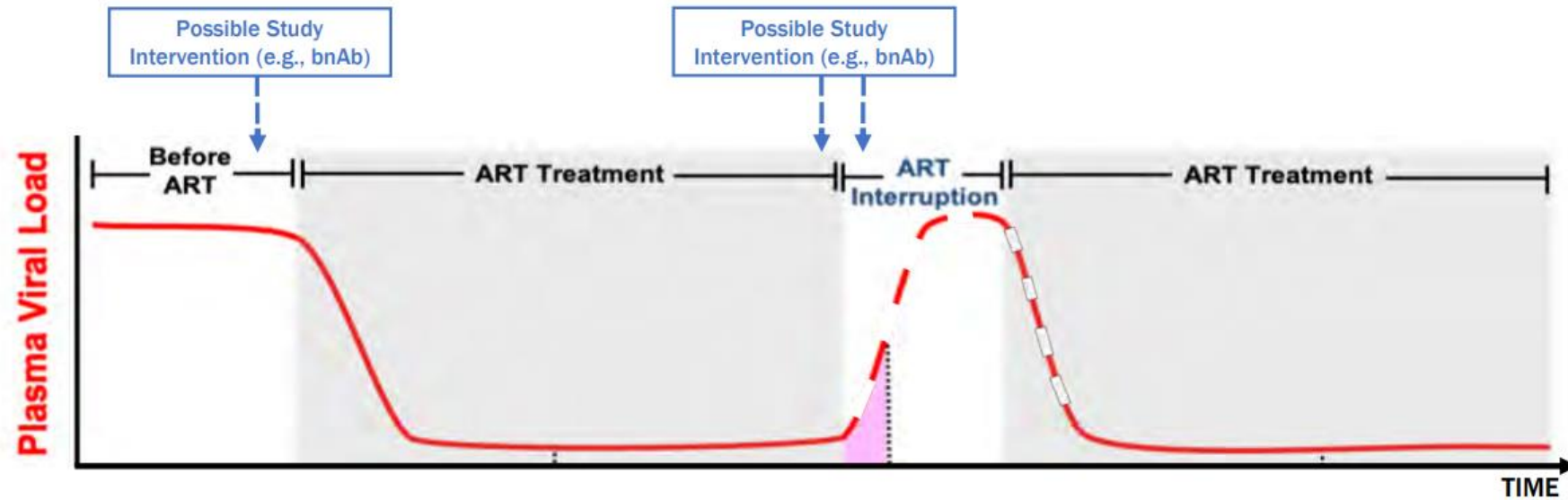
## What did you find?

Yes, with strong local stakeholder engagement, we successfully implemented an ATI in Peru. However, we did not observe evidence of durable off-ART virologic control in our participants

## Why is it important?

ATIs could serve as safe & effective tools for evaluating new HIV prevention & cure/remission strategies, including vaccines and monoclonal antibodies

# Analytical treatment interruption (ATI)



- A carefully monitored ART pause for an individual living with HIV
- Historically used as part of therapy, in hopes of minimizing ARV toxicities, addressing multiresistant virus, & treatment failure
- Now used in research to evaluate options for HIV viral suppression, including for sustained, ART free virologic remission (SVR); safe & well-tolerated “design of choice” in HIV cure research

# Antibody Mediated Prevention: The AMP studies



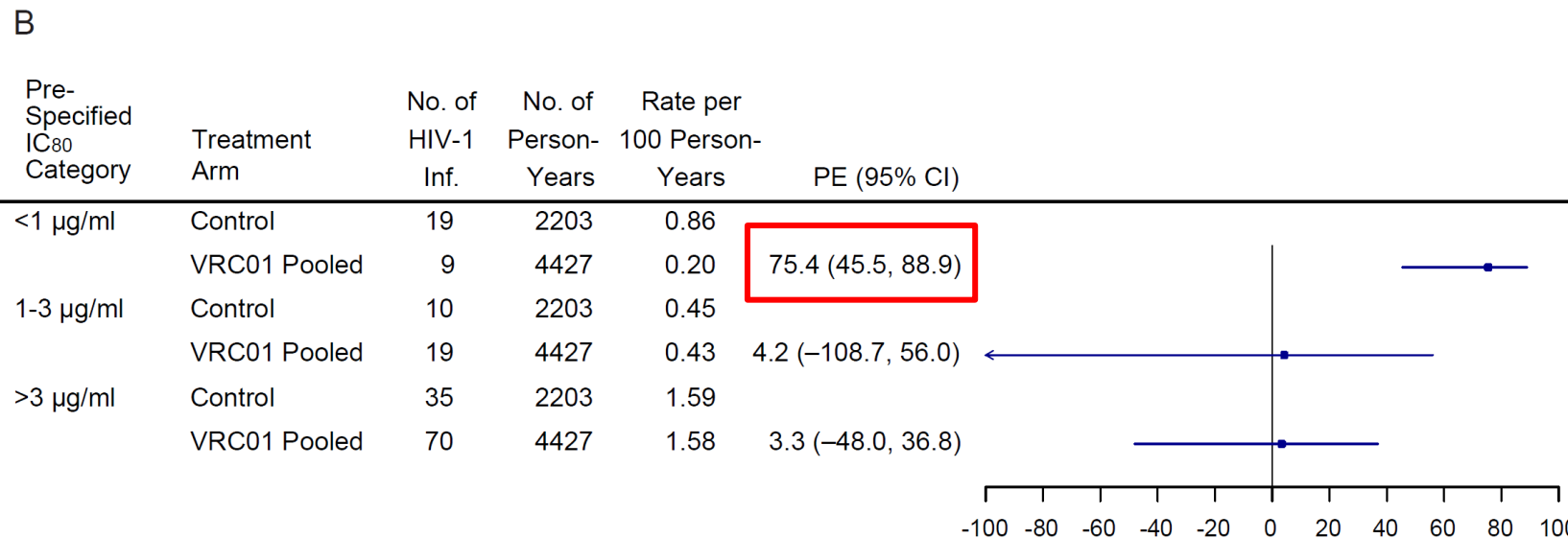
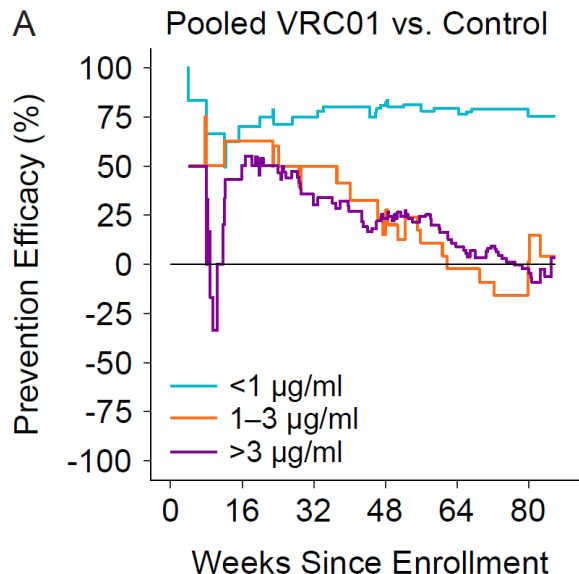
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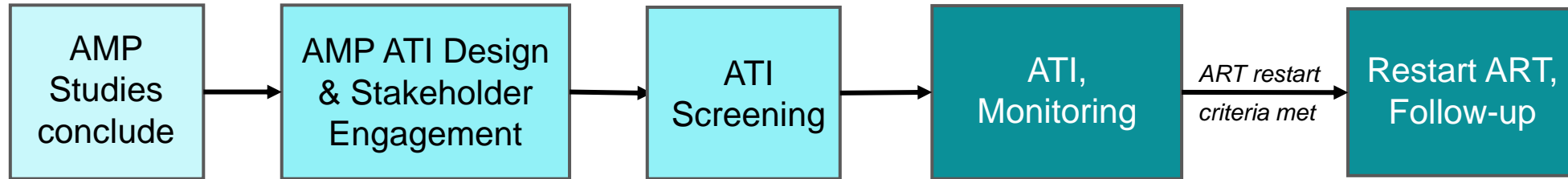
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- Peru: 48.9%  
(1131/2701) ppts

**Proof of concept: The mAb VRC01 showed prevention efficacy against neutralization-sensitive HIV viruses**

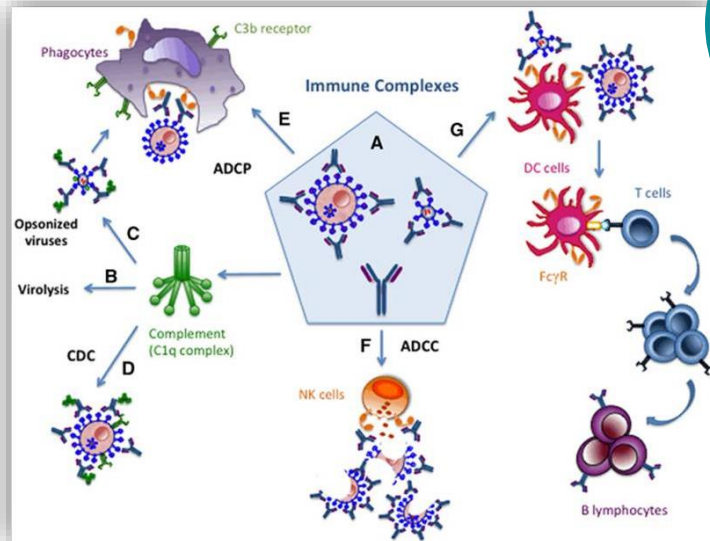


# AMP ATI Design & Select Endpoints



## Hypothesis

*Vaccinal Effect?*

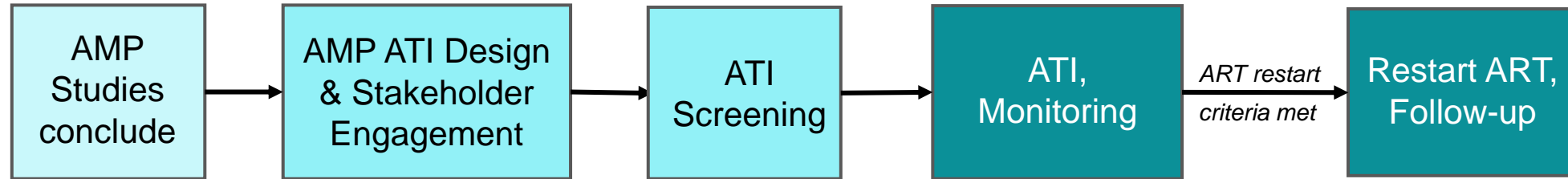


## Objectives/endpoints

To evaluate the effect of **early ART initiation, with or without VRC01** receipt in the immediate pre-HIV acquisition period and/or during early infection on:

- Duration of ART-free viral control
- Development of HIV-specific immune responses

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## Key inclusion criteria

- Acquired HIV within 8 weeks of an AMP infusion
- Initiated ART early & remained virally suppressed for at least a year
- Meet other eligibility criteria

## ART re-initiation criteria

- Viral load > 1,000 copies/mL for  $\geq 4$  consecutive weeks & not declining by 0.5 log from prior week.
- CD4+ T cell count < 350 cells/mm<sup>3</sup>, confirmed on a second sample.
- Any HIV-related syndrome (eg, acute retroviral syndrome, an opportunistic infection).
- Participant or provider wish to re-initiate ART.





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# Peru Stakeholder engagement (2019)

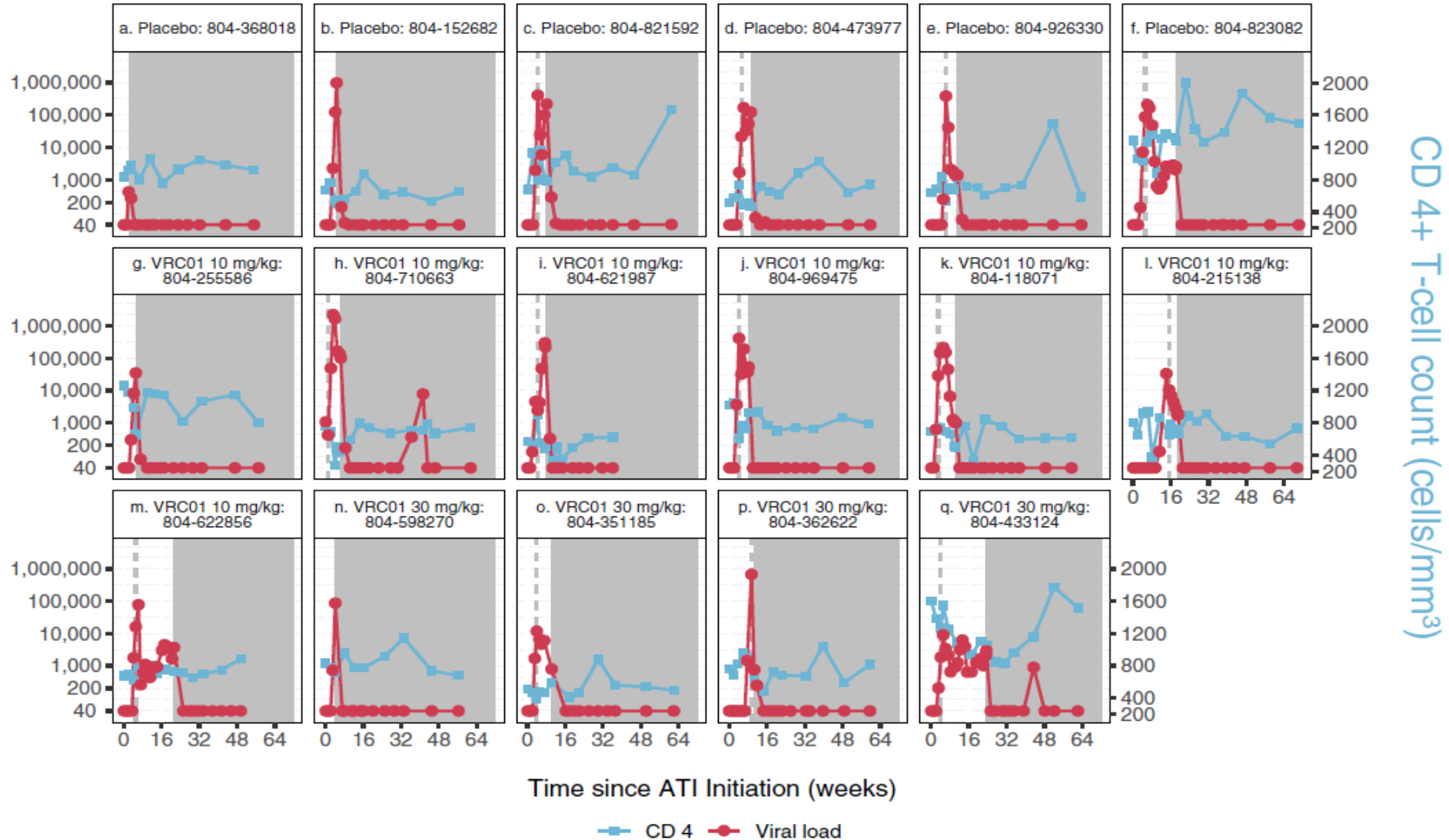
Multi-Stakeholder meetings with:

- Community members
- Investigators
- ART providers
- MoH officials
- Regulatory bodies (INS)

Helped to build trust, addressed misconceptions, and facilitated regulatory review



# Viral load & CD4 over 64 weeks since ATI, n=17



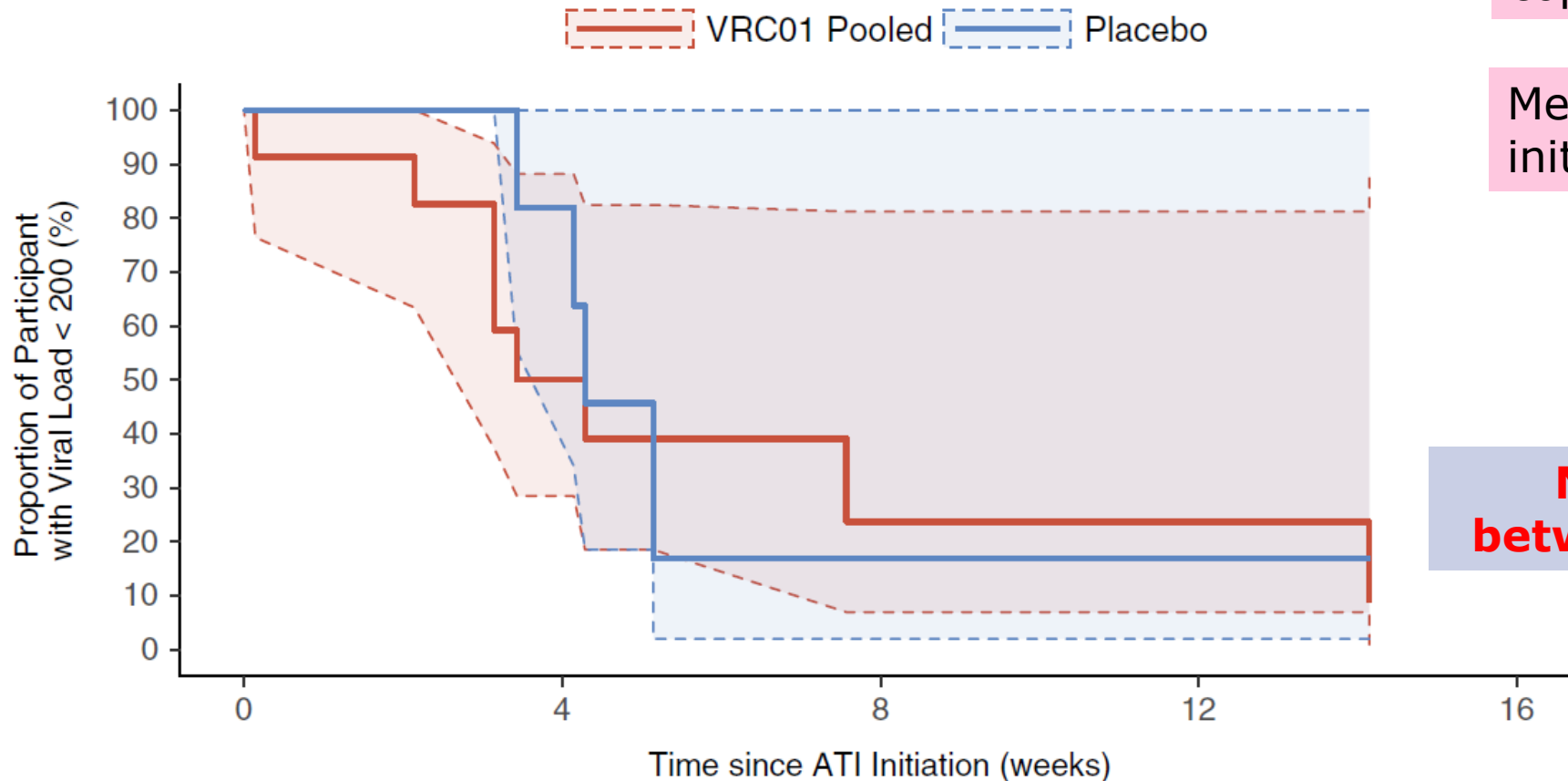
**No evidence of durable viral control**  
 (VL < 200 copies/mL for >24 wks off ART)





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# Time to VL > 200 copies/mL



Median time to VL > 200 copies/mL: 4.1wks (0.1-14.1)

Median time to ART re-initiation: 7.9wks (2.7-23)

**No significant difference between VRC01 & placebo ppts**



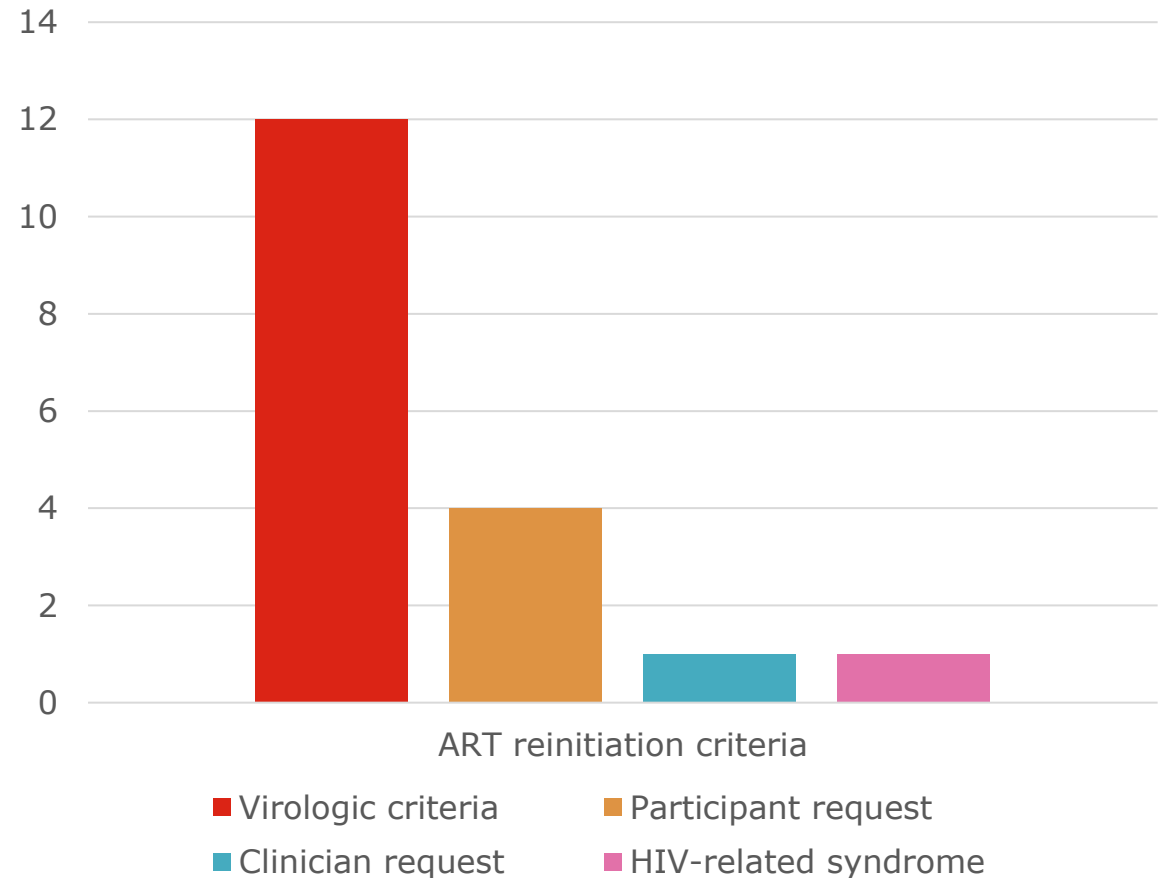
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# Peru AMP ATI: Clinical data

Total participants in Peru ATI: 18

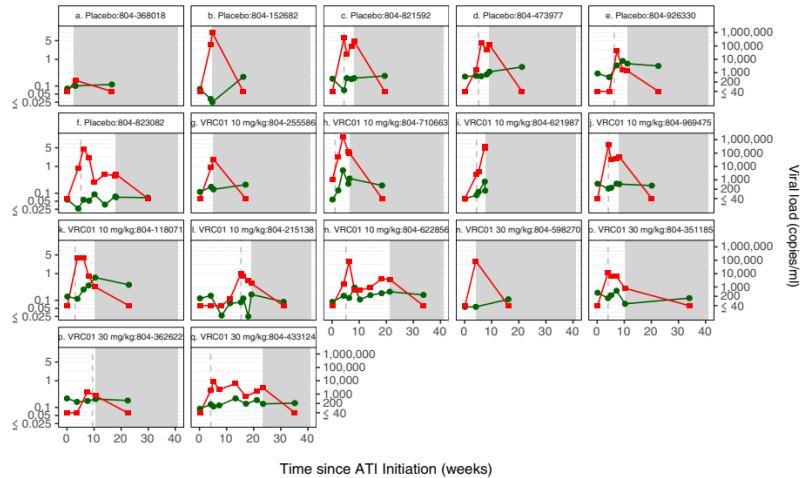
- 14 MSM, 3 trans individuals, 1 gender non-binary
- No HIV transmissions
- No SAEs or AEs Grade  $\geq 3$ 
  - One ppt reported ARS
- 9 STIs in 8 ppts
- One participant with tenofovir levels compatible with ongoing ART use (excluded from analysis for virologic control; included in safety analyses)

ART re-initiation criteria



# Next steps

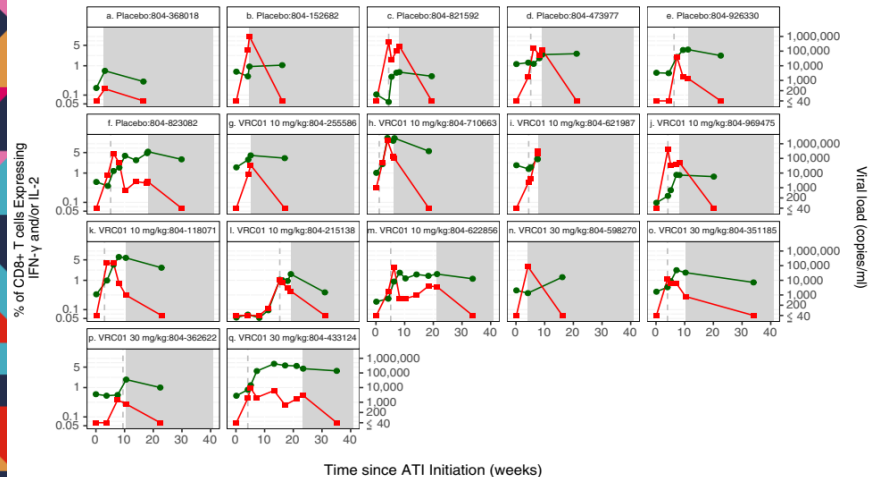
Figure 11.1 HVTN 804: Longitudinal Summaries of ICS Response Magnitude and Viral Load  
CD4+T cells expressing IFN- $\gamma$  and/or IL-2 in response to Any HIV



- To evaluate the effect of early ART initiation +/- VRC01 on the development of **anti-HIV immune responses** and the potential association of those immune responses with time to ART re-initiation criteria:

- HIV-specific CD4+ and CD8+ T-cell responses
- Autologous & heterologous neutralizing antibody responses
- Non-neutralizing, Fc $\gamma$ R-mediated antibody effector functions
- Dendritic cell activation and maturation markers
- T- and B-cell activation and exhaustion markers

Figure 11.11 HVTN 804: Longitudinal Summaries of ICS Response Magnitude and Viral Load  
CD8+T cells expressing IFN- $\gamma$  and/or IL-2 in response to Any HIV



# Conclusions

- The AMP ATI in Peru was successfully implemented with strong local stakeholder engagement
- We did not observe evidence of durable virologic control in our participants, nor differences on time to VL > 200 copies/mL between VRC01 & placebo recipients
- There is ongoing work to better understand the immune landscape of these participants and inform HIV vaccine development

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