

A Genetic Approach to the Treatment of Cystic Fibrosis



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Introduction

- CFTR Modulation Approach
- Ivacaftor (VX-770) Registration Program
- Moving beyond G551D
- Lessons learned



Vertex Cystic Fibrosis Program

CFTR Mutations

Defect in CFTR Protein

Loss of Chloride
Transport

Airway dehydration
Reduced cilia beating



Hypothesis

Improving CFTR function
will reduce or halt disease
progression

Strategy

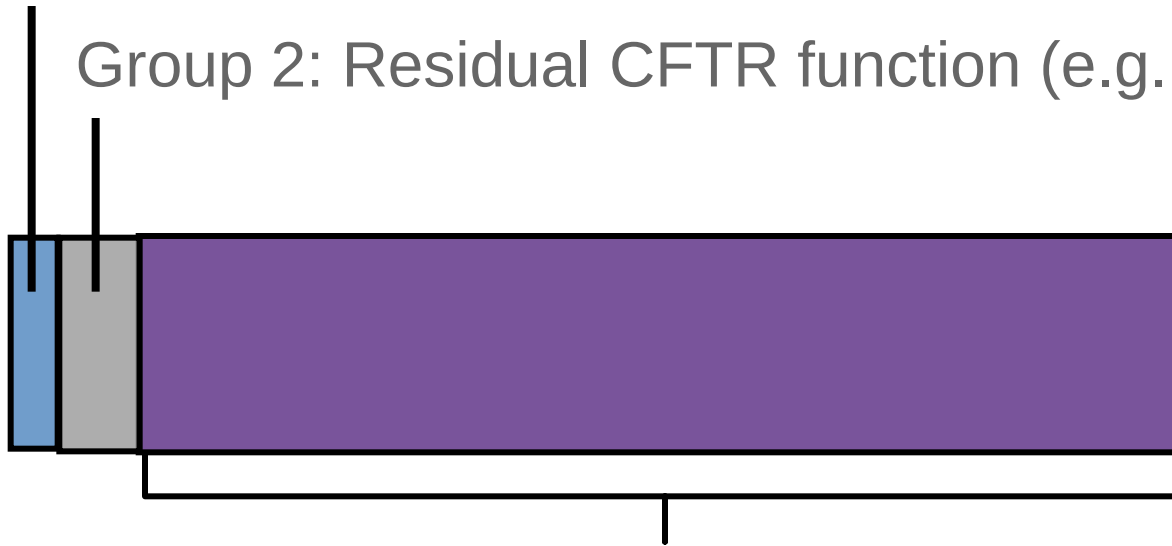
Develop orally bioavailable
small molecule CFTR
modulators to be used
alone or in combination for
the treatment of CF



1700+ Mutations: Analysis of the *In Vitro* Data, Sweat Chloride, and Disease Severity Led Us to Identify 3 Groups of CFTR Mutations

Group 1: *CFTR* Gating Mutations (e.g., G551D)

Group 2: Residual *CFTR* function (e.g., R117H, A445E)



Group 3: Minimal *CFTR* function

- F508del homozygous
- F508del/other
- Other/other

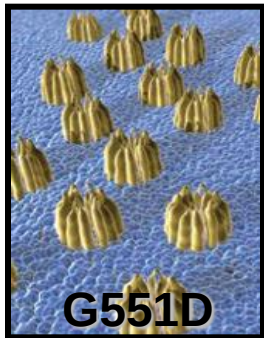
Source: 2009 US CFF Patient Registry



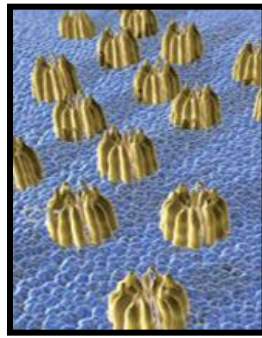
CFTR Mutations Can Affect the Quantity and/or Function of CFTR Channels

CFTR FUNCTION at cell surface

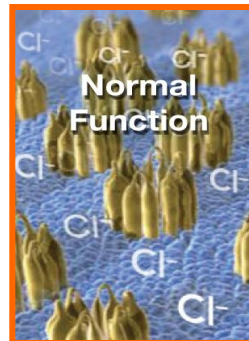
Gating
Channel Opening



Conductance
Channel Structure



Potentiators
increase channel activity of
CFTR protein located at the
cell surface

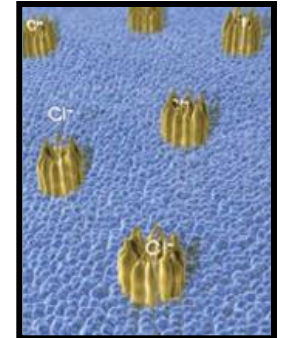


CFTR QUANTITY at cell surface

Little to no
CFTR



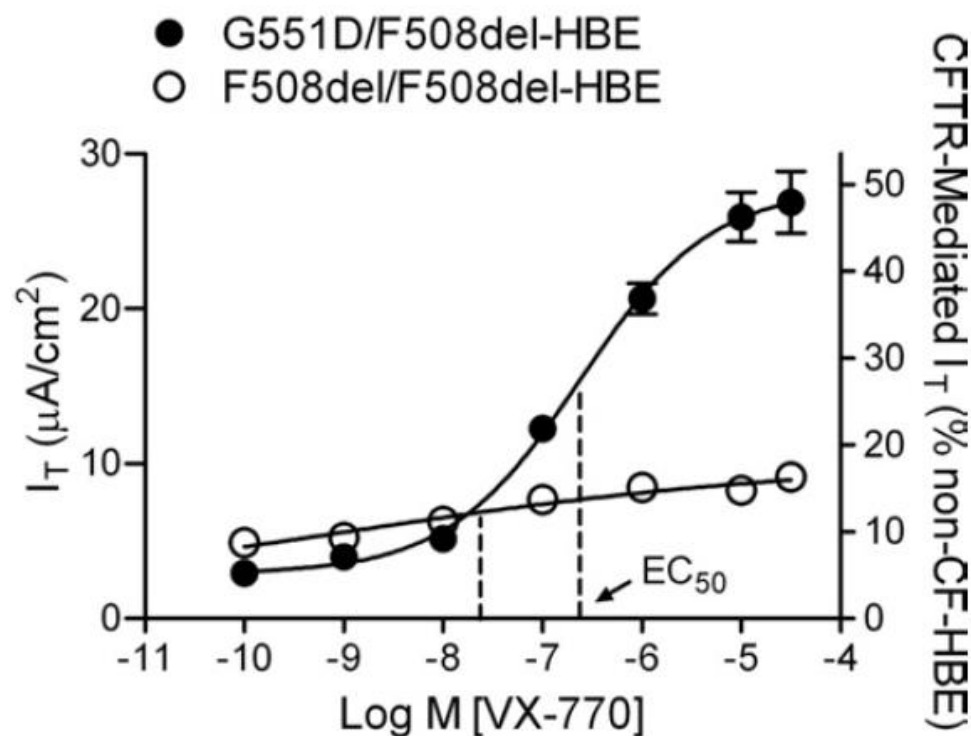
Some CFTR



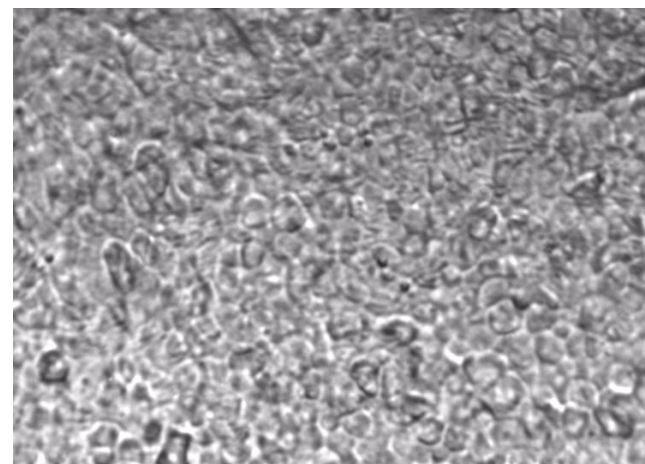
Correctors
increase delivery & amount of
functional CFTR protein to the
cell surface

In Vitro Evidence that CFTR Modulators Restore Downstream Defects Believed to Cause Lung Disease

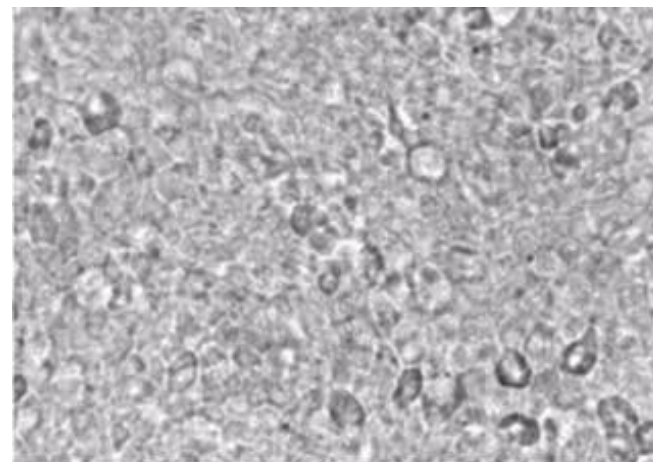
Cultured Airway Cells From a G551D CF Patient



No Ivacaftor

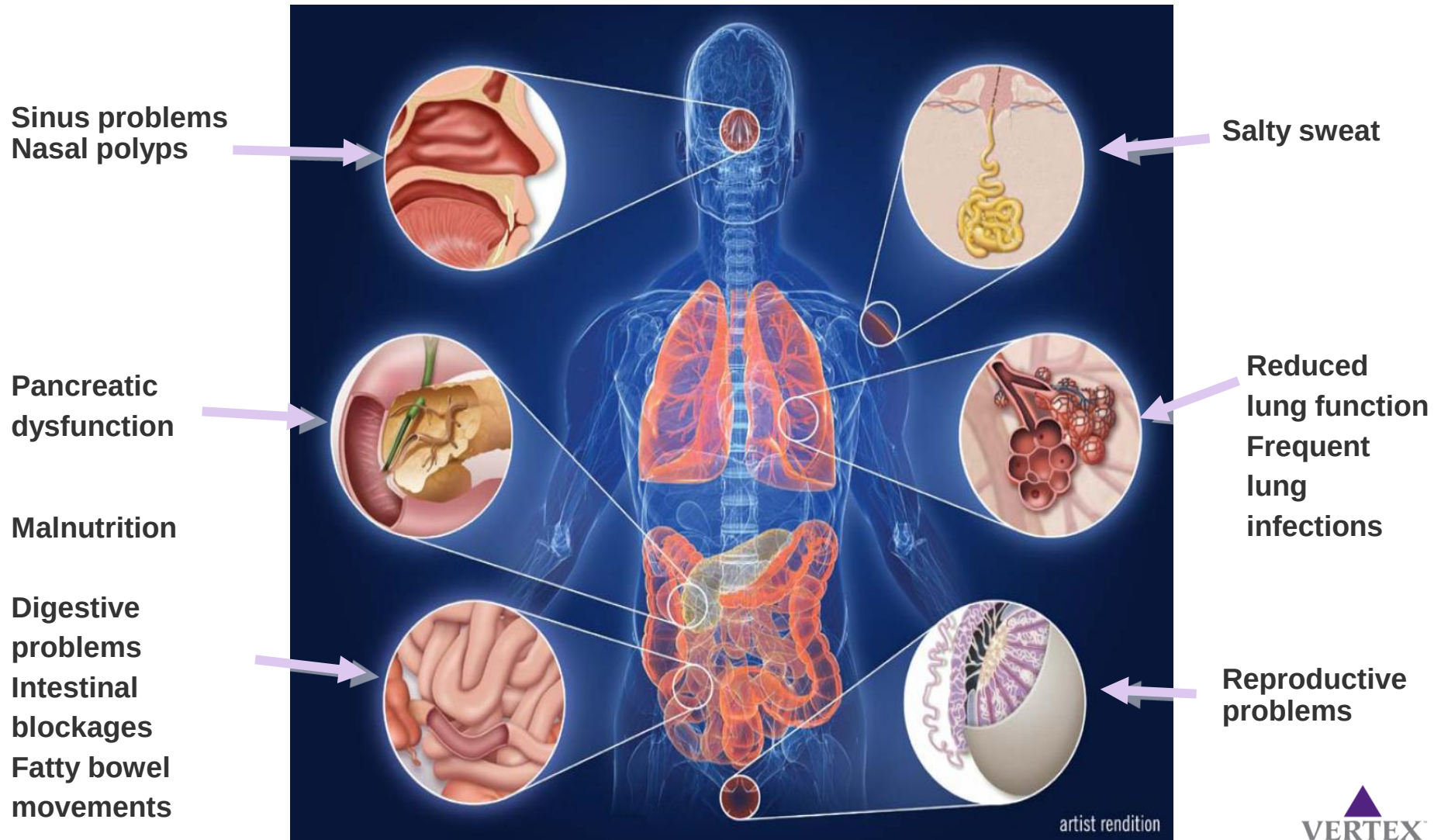


With Ivacaftor



Source: Van Goor et al., PNAS 2009

CF is a Multi-Organ Disease





Ivacaftor Phase 3 Registration Program



Targeting the Fundamental Mechanism of CF Disease

Registration program focused on G551D patients

~340 patients across three trials

**NDA and MAA submissions in October 2011,
FDA Approval January 2012**



G551D Subjects aged 12 and older



G551D Subjects aged 6 to 11



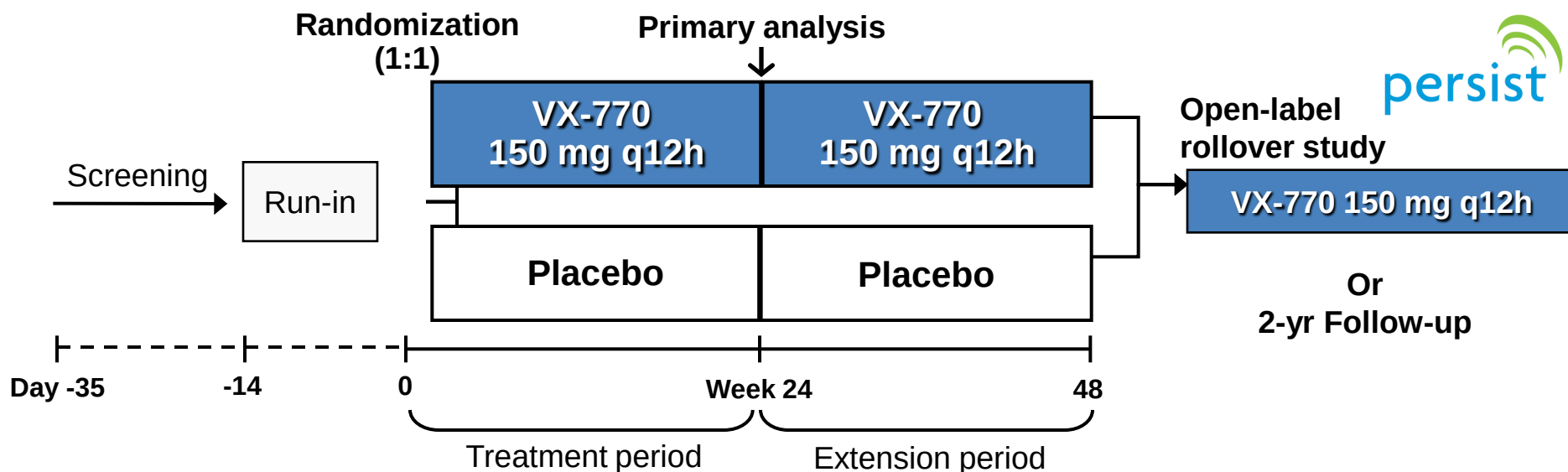
Safety study in subjects homozygous for F508del mutation



Open-label, rollover extension trial that enrolled subjects who completed STRIVE and ENVISION.



STRIVE: Phase 3 Study Design

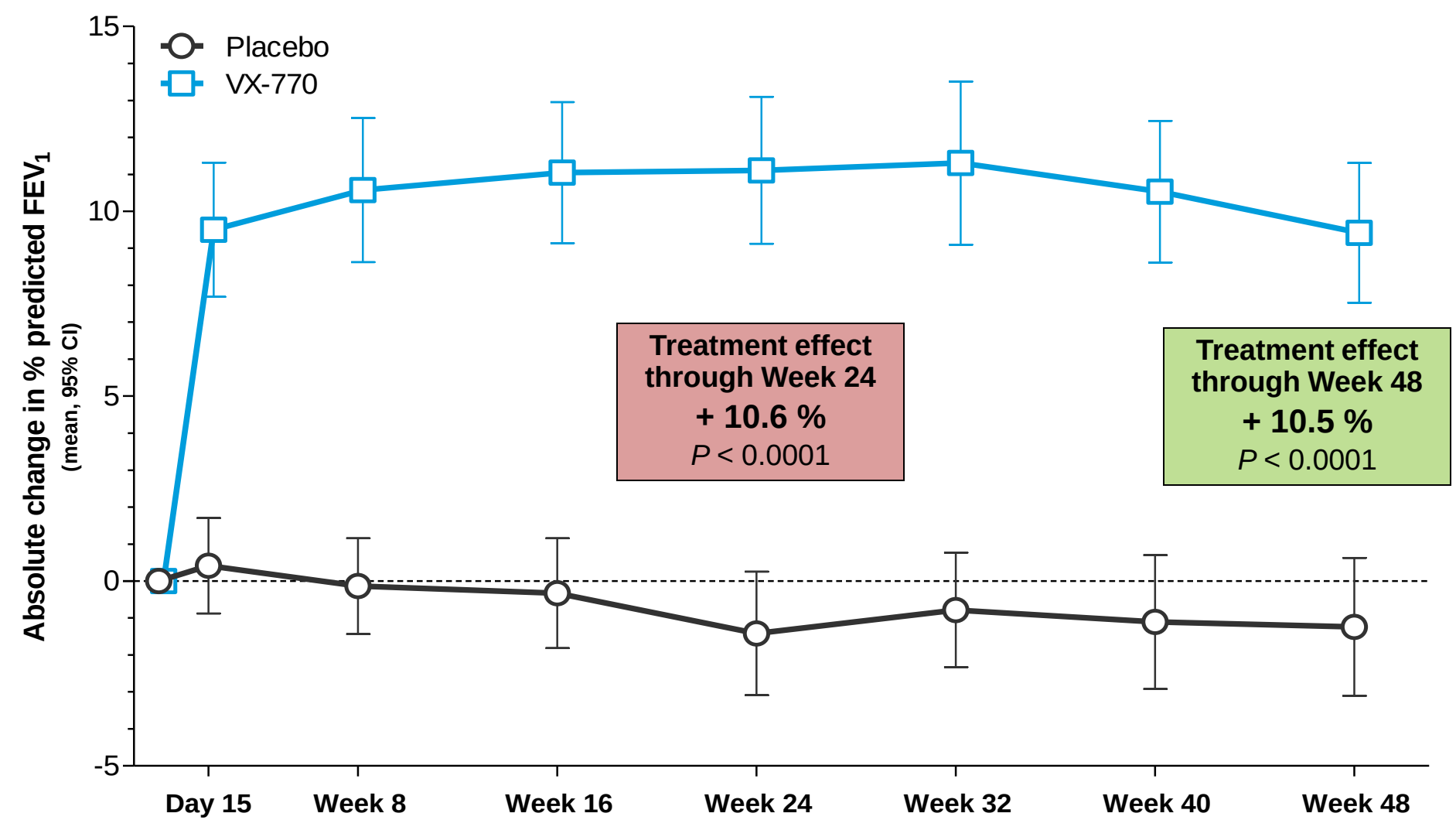


- Trial sized to detect a 4.5% absolute change in percent predicted FEV₁ at 80% power based on Phase 2 study
- Key inclusion criteria
 - G551D mutation on at least one CFTR allele
 - Aged ≥ 12 years
 - FEV₁ 40% to 90% predicted

B Ramsey et al, NEJM 2011;365:1663-72



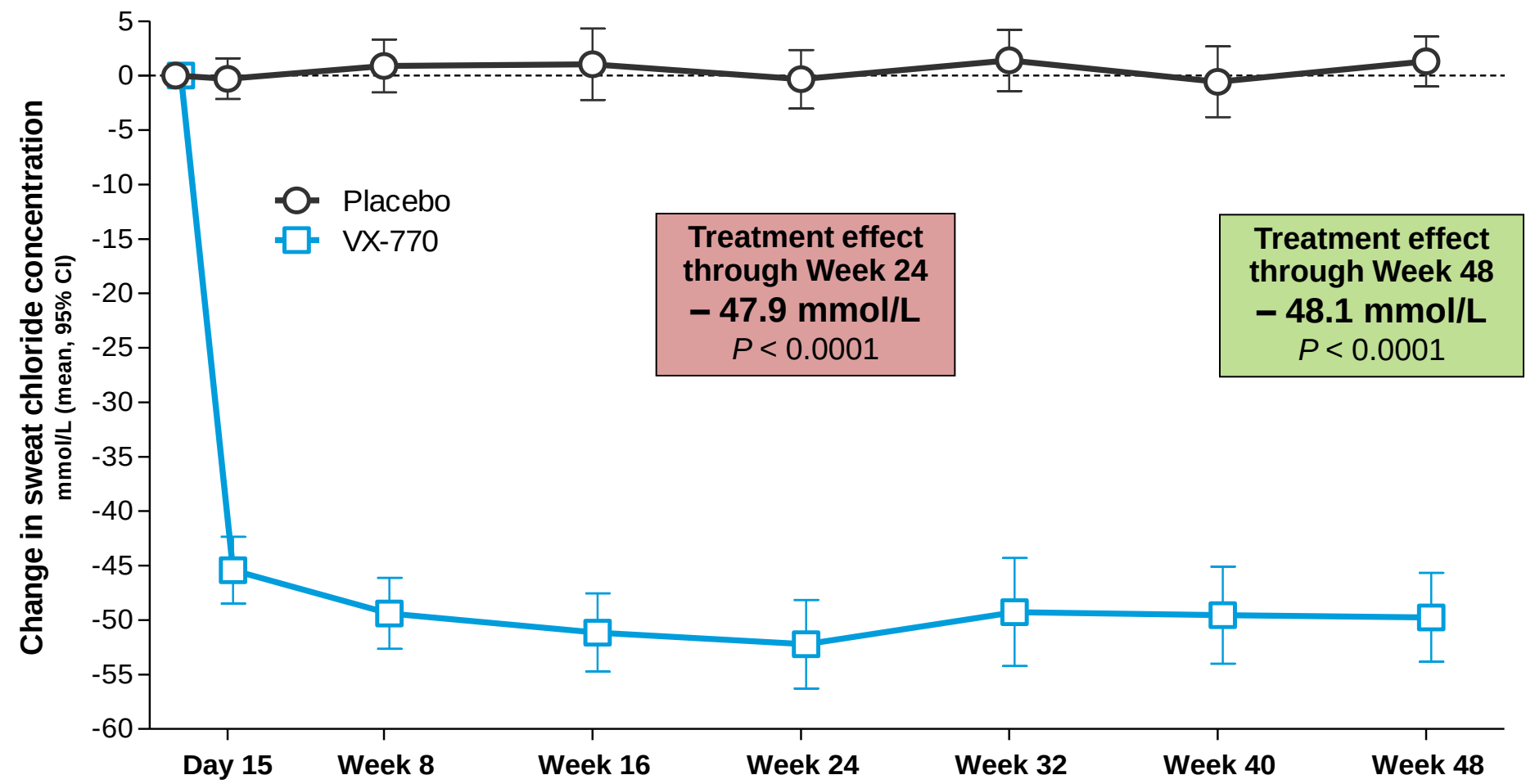
STRIVE: FEV₁ % Predicted Absolute Change from Baseline



Treatment effects are point estimates of VX-770 minus placebo using a mixed model for repeated measures
Values shown at each visit obtained from descriptive statistics, not model-derived measures *B Ramsey et al, NEJM 2011;365:1663-72*

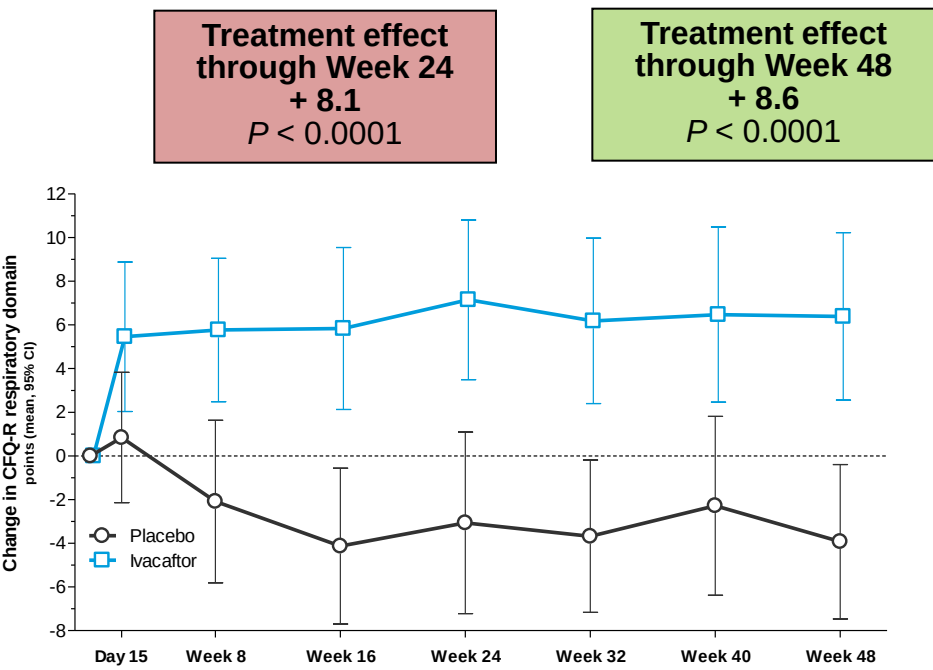


STRIVE: Change from Baseline in Sweat Chloride

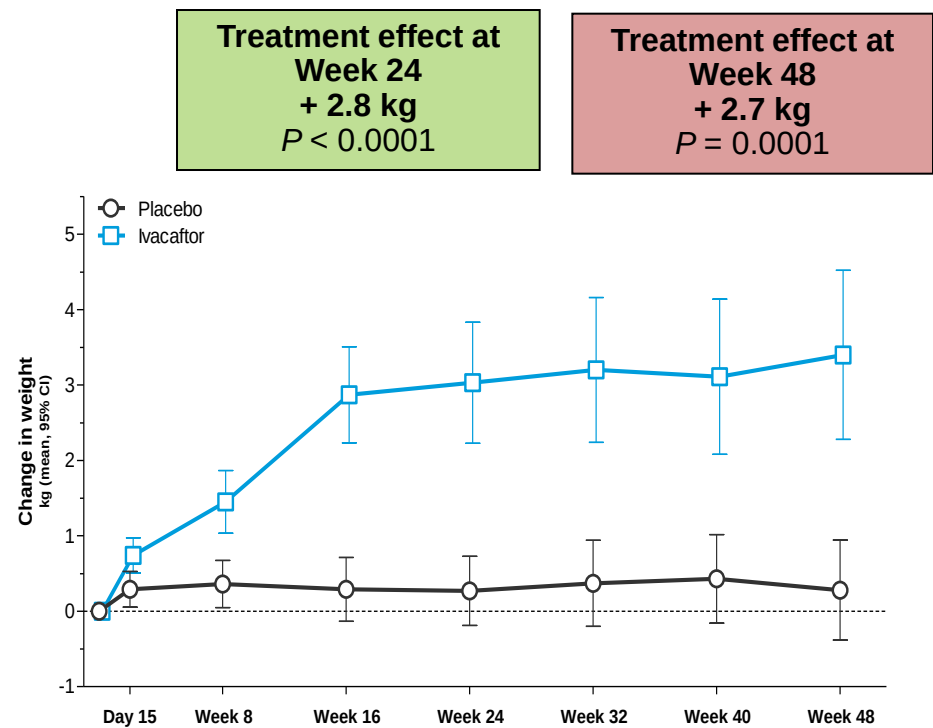


STRIVE: Changes from Baseline in CFQ-R Respiratory Domain and Weight

Change from Baseline in CFQ-R Respiratory Domain



Change from Baseline in Weight



Estimates are model-based. Points and 95% CI are unadjusted (raw)

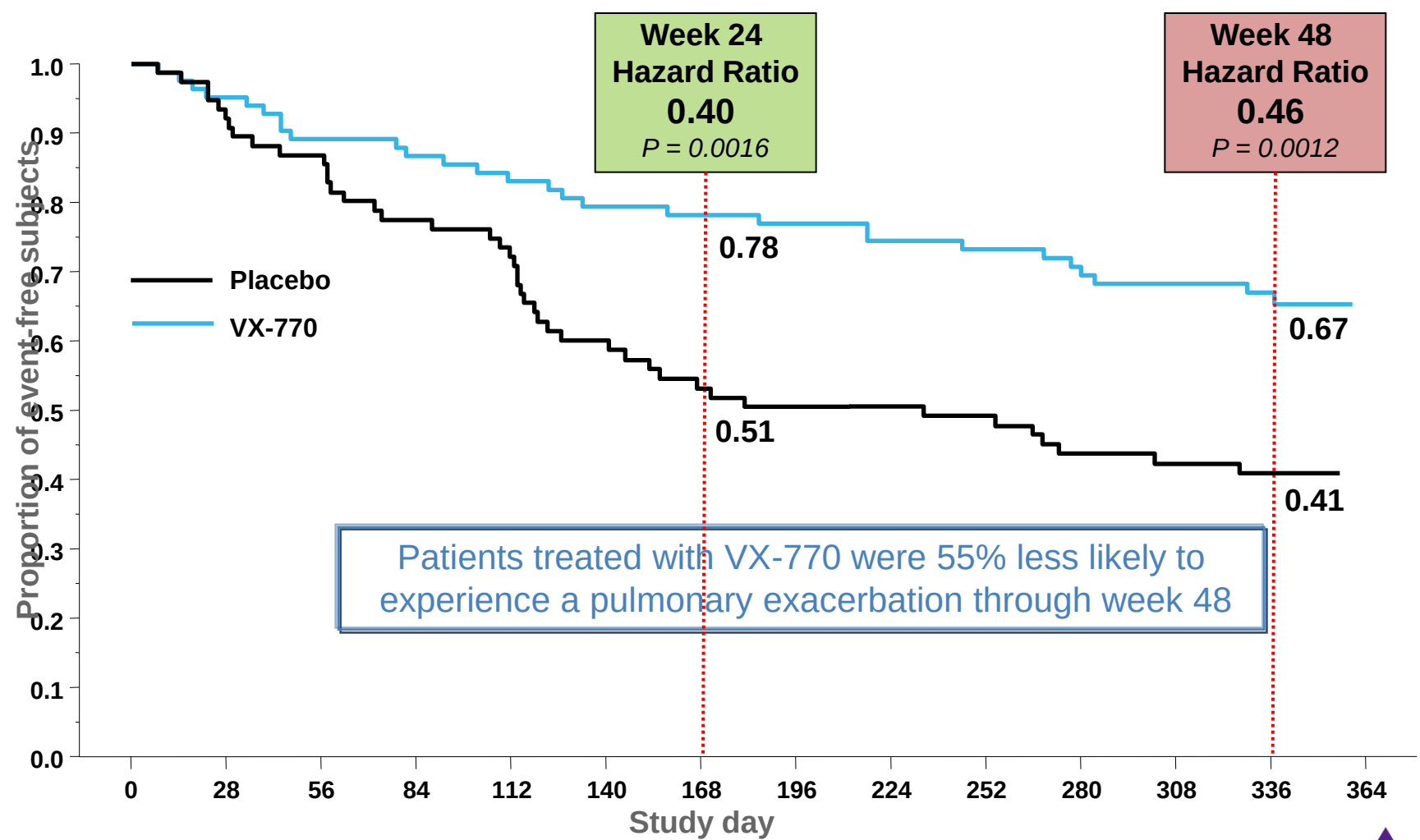
Pooled data from Adolescent/Adult and Children versions
Established minimal clinically important differences (MCID) for respiratory domain is 4 (Quittner et al 2009)

B Ramsey et al, NEJM 2011;365:1663-72



STRIVE: Time-to-First Pulmonary Exacerbation

Modified Fuchs' criteria



STRIVE: Safety Summary Through Week 48

Serious adverse events occurring in > 1 subject in either group

Adverse event, n (%)	Placebo (N = 78)	Ivacaftor (N = 83)
Subjects with any serious adverse event	33 (42.3)	20 (24.1)
Pulmonary exacerbation (physician determined)	26 (33.3)	11 (13.3)
Hemoptysis	4 (5.1)	1 (1.2)
Hypoglycemia	0	2 (2.4)

Adverse events with $\geq 10\%$ incidence in either treatment group and $\geq 5\%$ difference relative to placebo

Adverse event, n (%)	Placebo (N = 78)	Ivacaftor (N = 83)
More common in Ivacaftor group		
Headache	13 (16.7)	19 (22.9)
Upper respiratory tract infection	12 (15.4)	19 (22.9)
Nasal congestion	12 (15.4)	17 (20.5)
Rash	4 (5.1)	12 (14.5)
Dizziness	1 (1.3)	10 (12.0)

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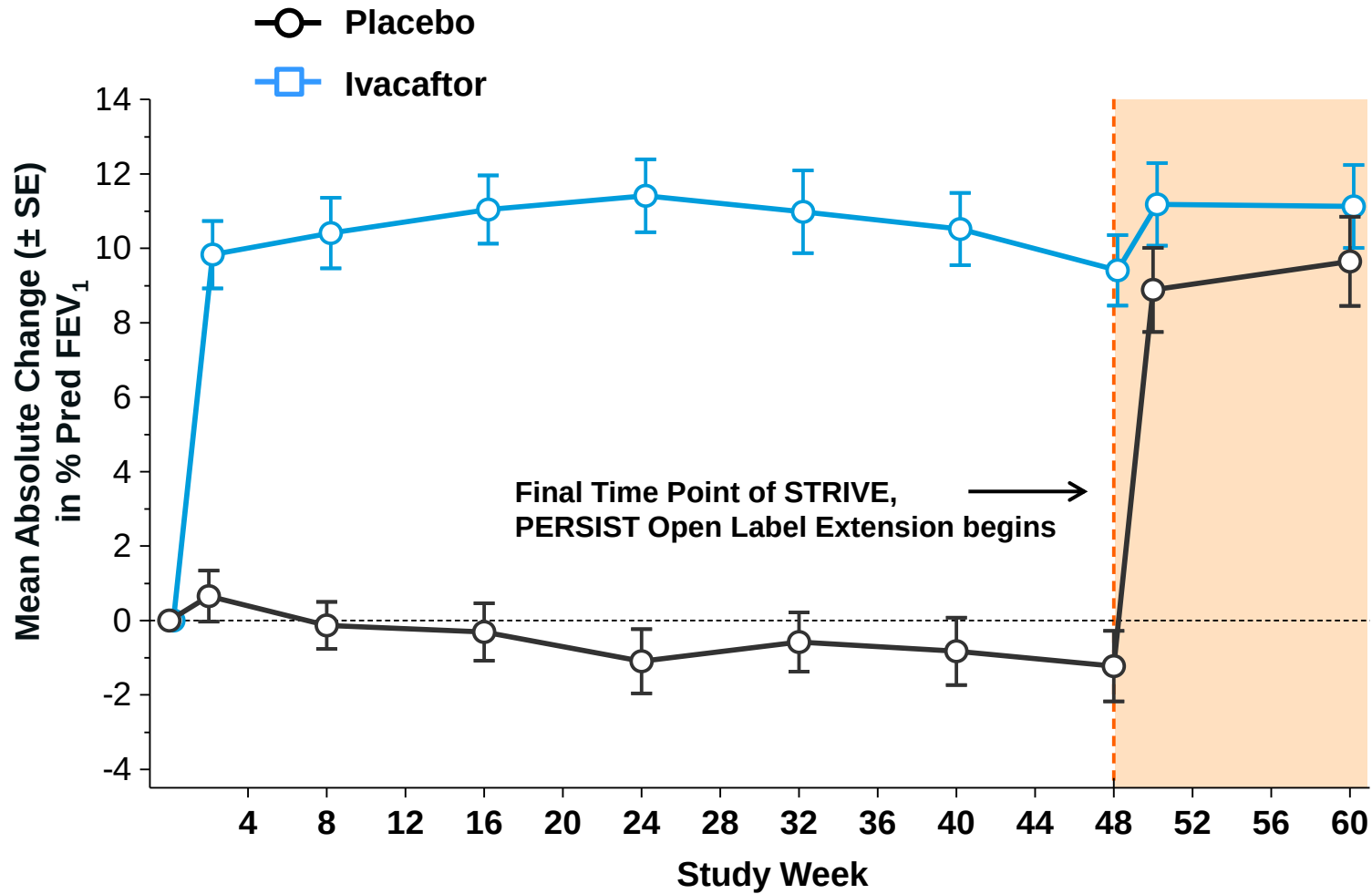


STRIVE: Results Summary

- Primary endpoint (absolute change in percent predicted FEV₁) achieved with a clinically meaningful magnitude of effect
 - **10.6%** absolute improvement in FEV₁ % predicted from baseline compared to placebo
- 16.7% relative improvement in FEV₁ % predicted from baseline compared to placebo
- Lung function improvements were rapid in onset and durable through 48 weeks
- Pattern of improvement in CFTR function mirrored improvements in lung function
- Sustained improvements through week 48 in other clinically important outcomes were observed, including risk of exacerbation, weight gain, and respiratory symptoms
- Adverse Events reported were similar between the Ivacaftor and Placebo arms
- No important safety concerns identified for administration of Ivacaftor 150 mg q12h for 48 weeks

Mean Absolute Change From STRIVE Baseline in % Pred FEV₁ by Treatment

persist
Extension trial



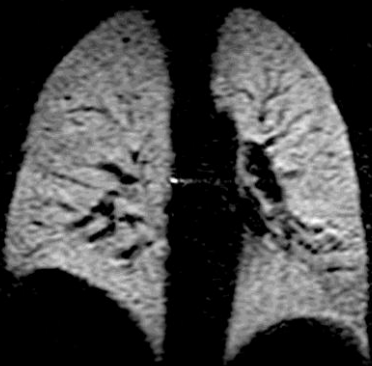
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McKone E et al. NACFC; November 3-5, 2011; Anaheim, CA; poster 204

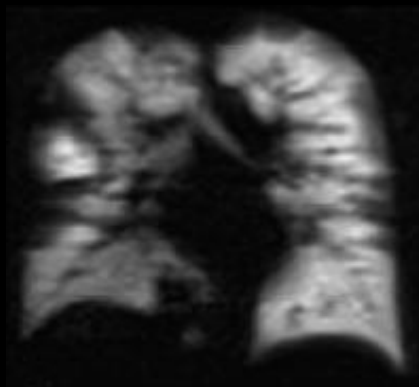
VERTEX
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Hyperpolarized ^3He Ventilation Imaging

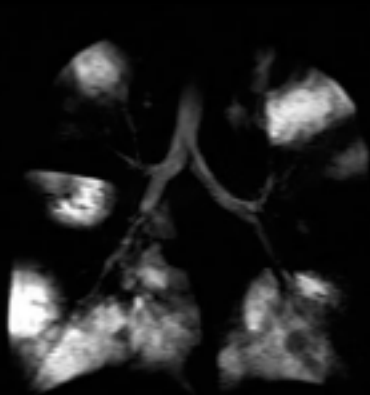
Healthy



Smoker



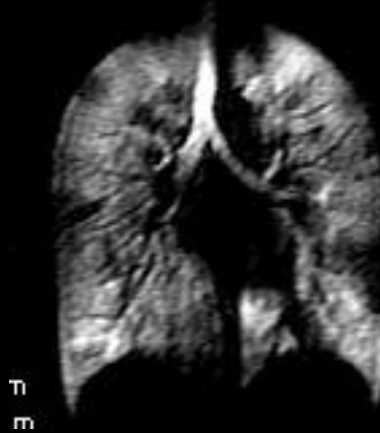
COPD



Cystic Fibrosis



Asthma



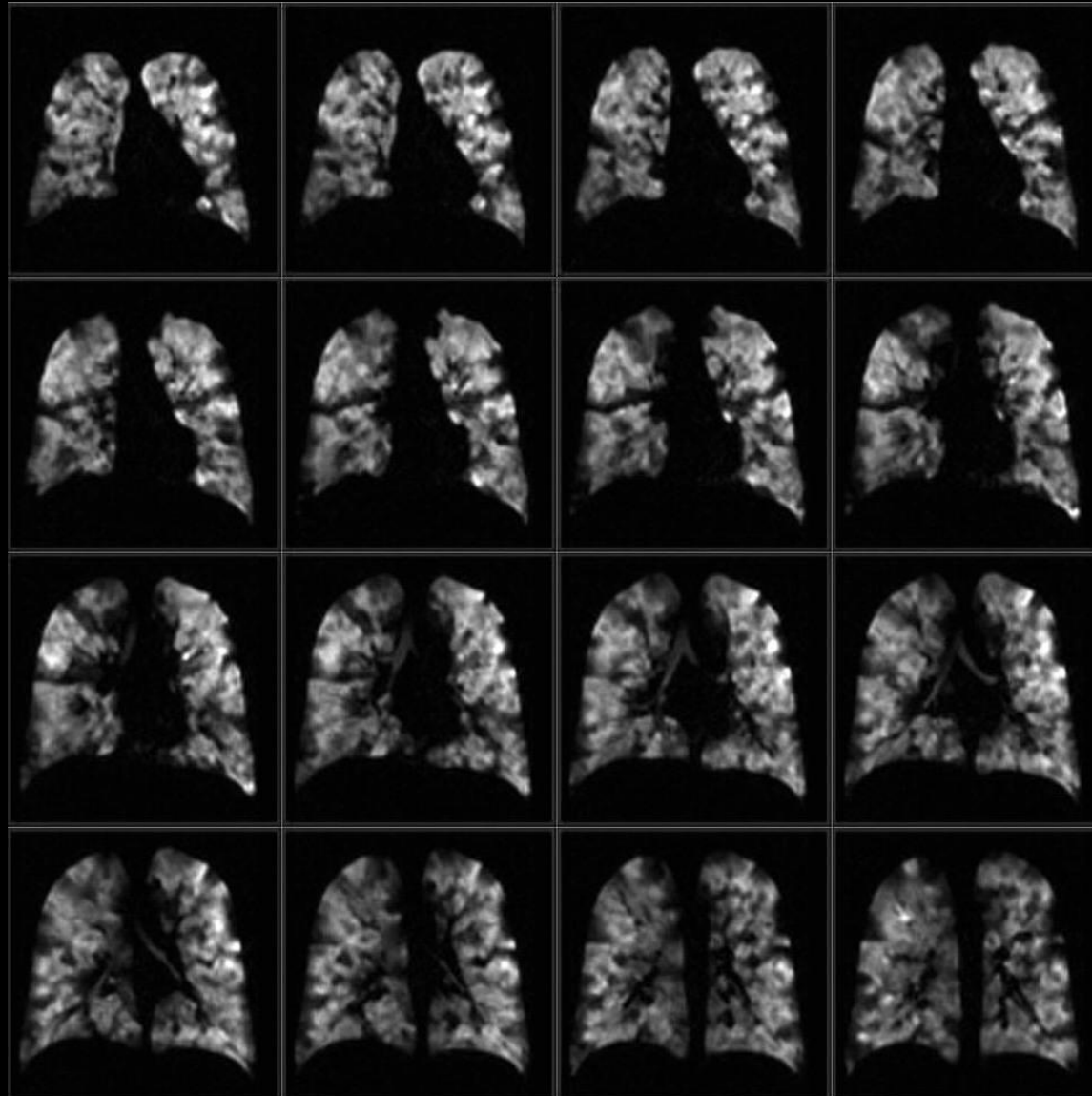
α -1 antitrypsin def

Mitchell Albert, UMass Medical School



VX770-025002: Visit 2 (Day 15)

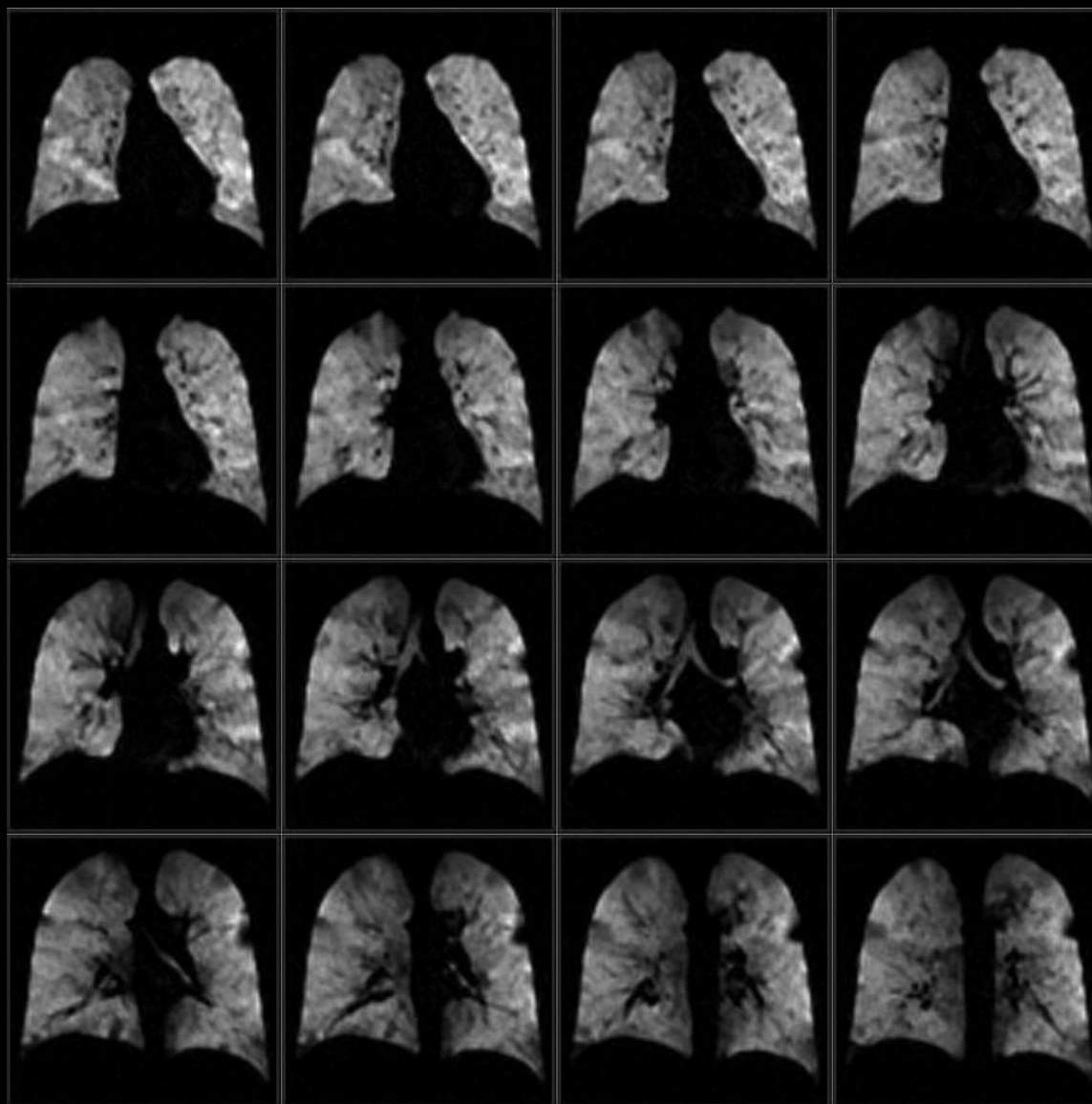
**FEV1:
62
%pred
(2.72 L)**



**Placebo:
2 wks** 

VX770-025002: Visit 4 (Day 43)

**FEV1:
83 %pred
(3.63 L)**



**VX770:
4 wks**

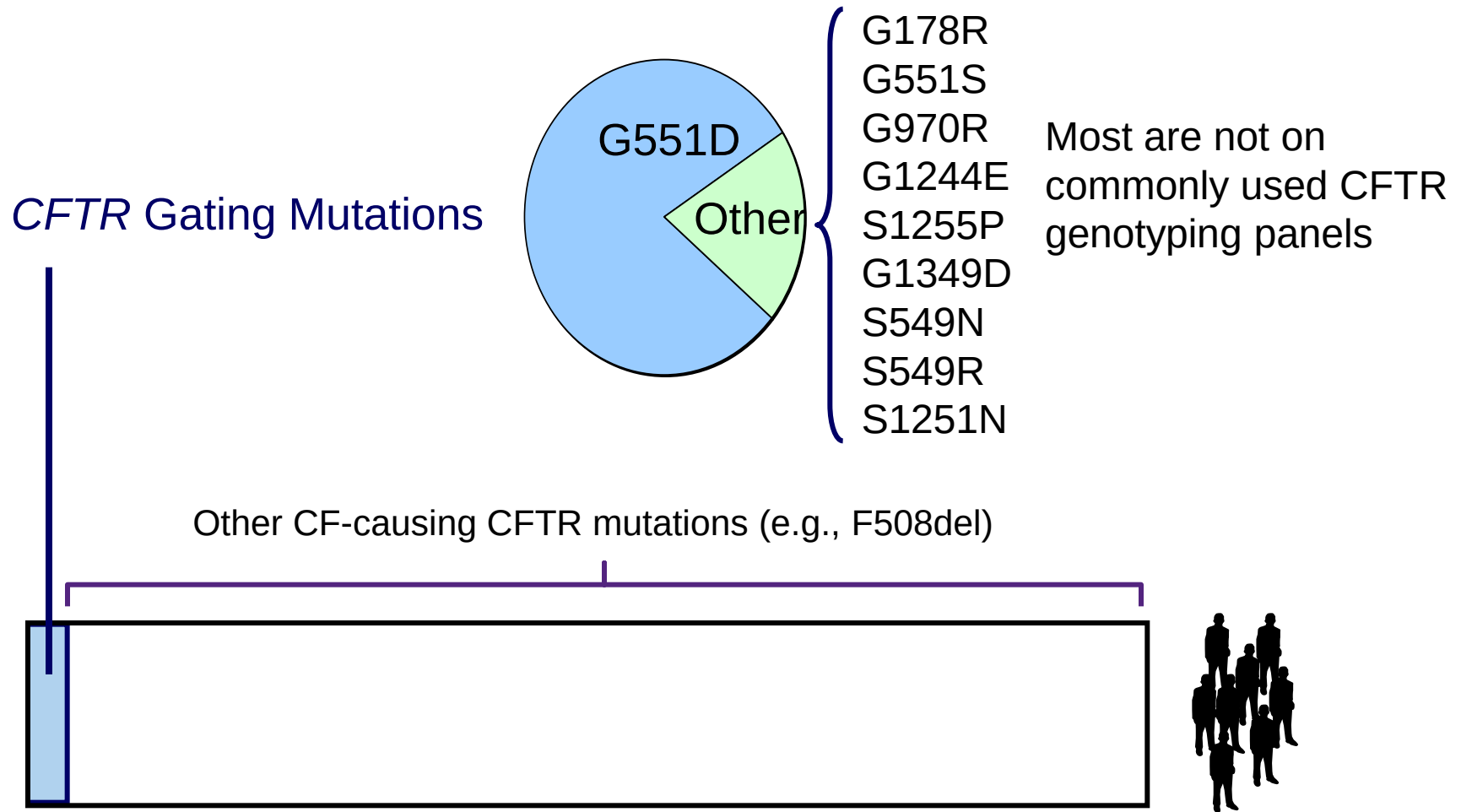




Beyond G551D

- Other Gating and Residual function mutations
- Trafficking mutations

Approximately 5% of Patients with CF Have a *CFTR* Gating Mutation

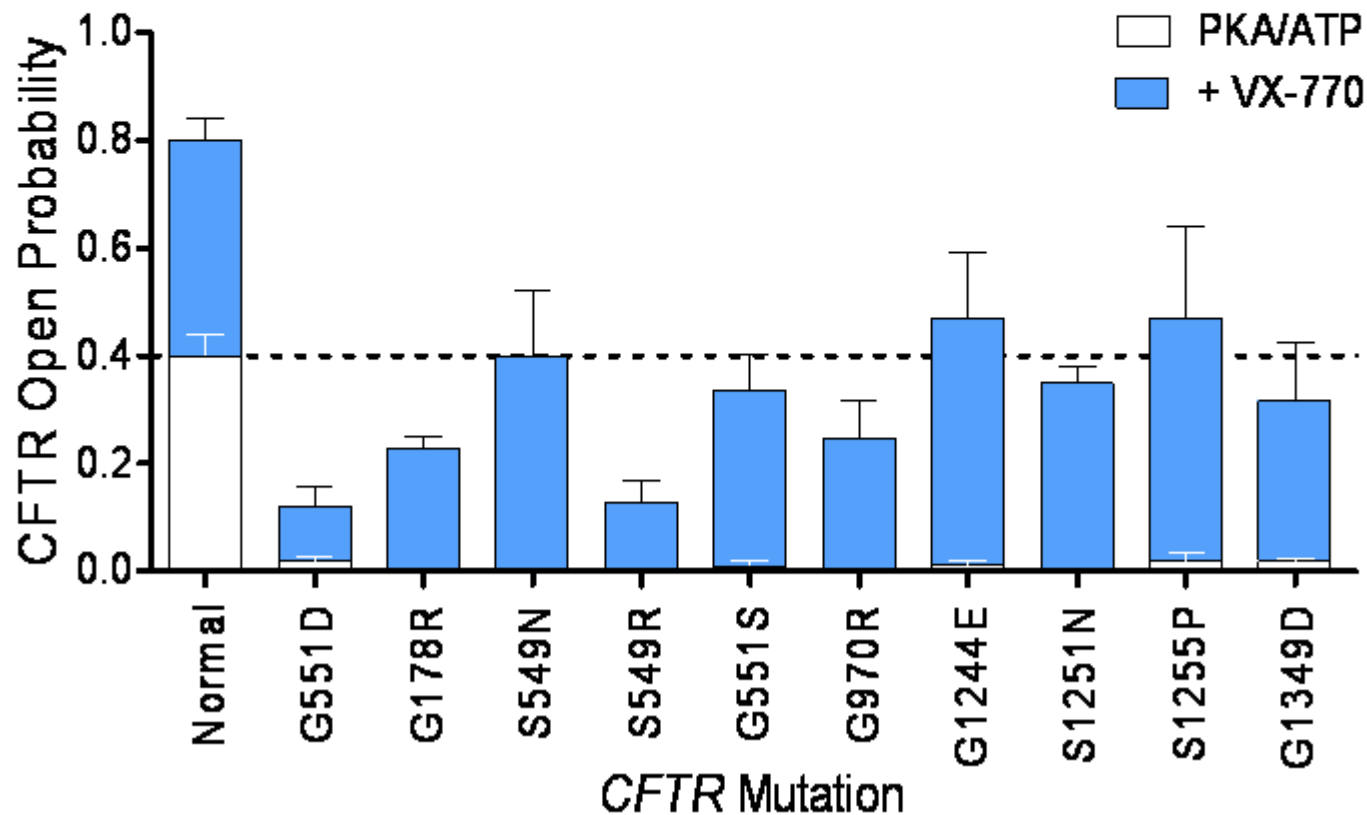


Bobadilla et al. *Hum Mutat.* 2002 Jun;19(6):575-606; <http://genet.sickkids.on.ca>; European CF Society Patient Registry; 2009 US CFF Patient Registry



VX-770 Increased the Channel Open Probability of CFTR Produced by all *CFTR* Gating Mutations Tested

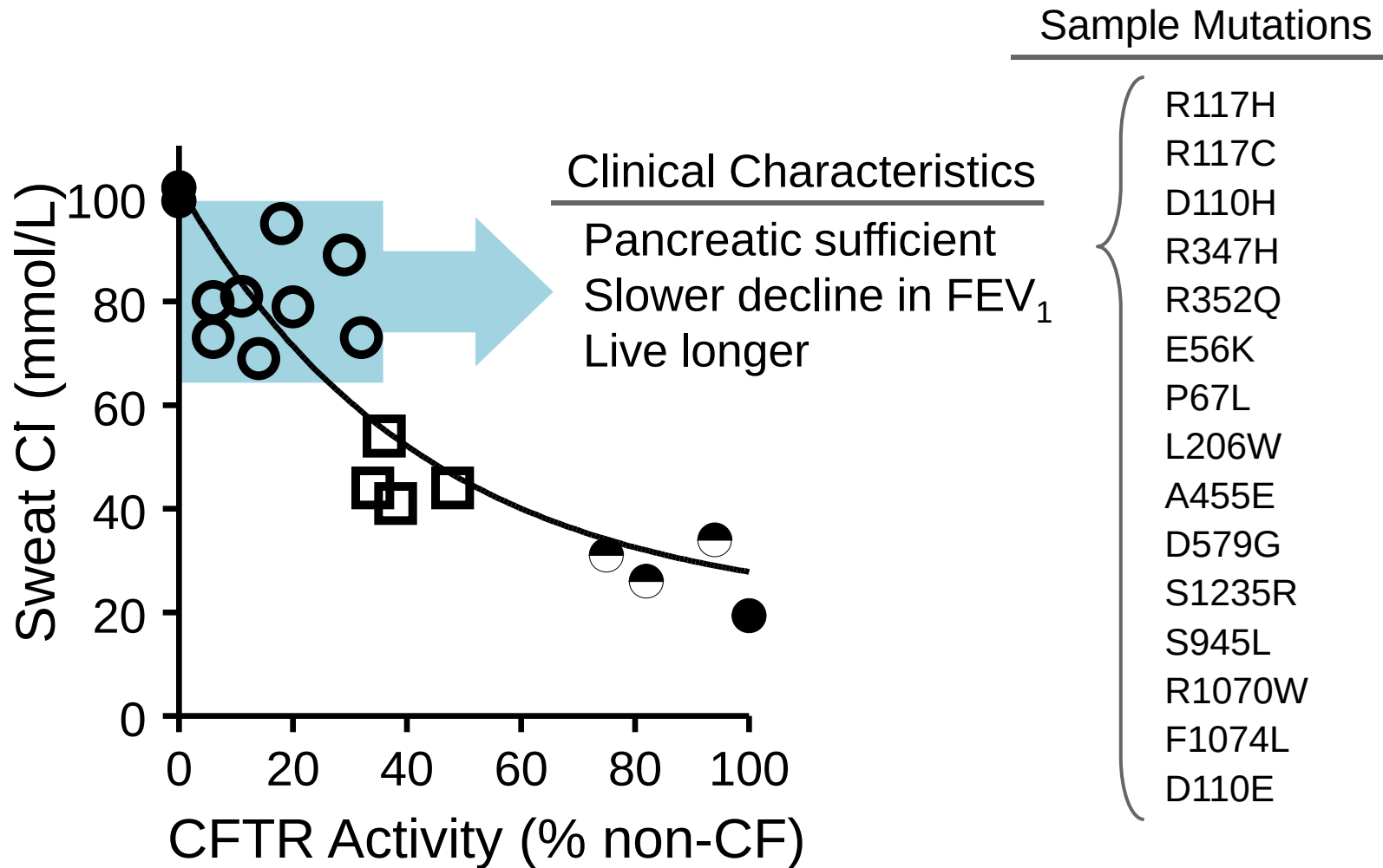
Mutant CFTR expressed in Fischer rat thyroid cells



Van Goor F et al. NACFC; November 3-5, 2011; Anaheim, CA; abst 10



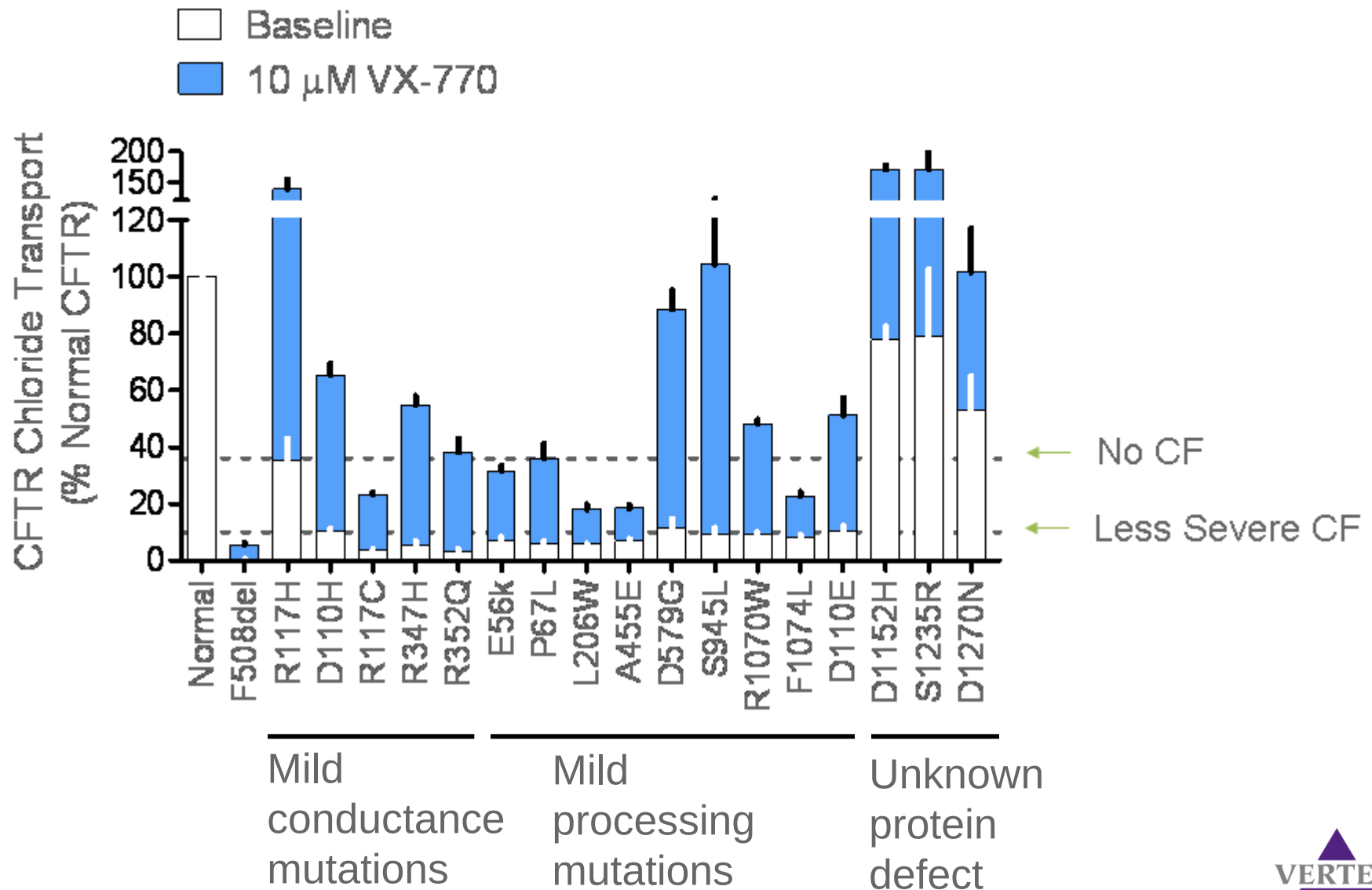
Residual CFTR function results in less severe CF



Sources: Davis et al., Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 1996; McKone et al., Lancet. 2003; Noone et al., Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2000; Noone et al., Gastroenterology. 2001; Strausbaugh Clin Chest Med. 2007



VX-770 Potentiates Mutant CFTR Forms Associated with Residual CFTR Function

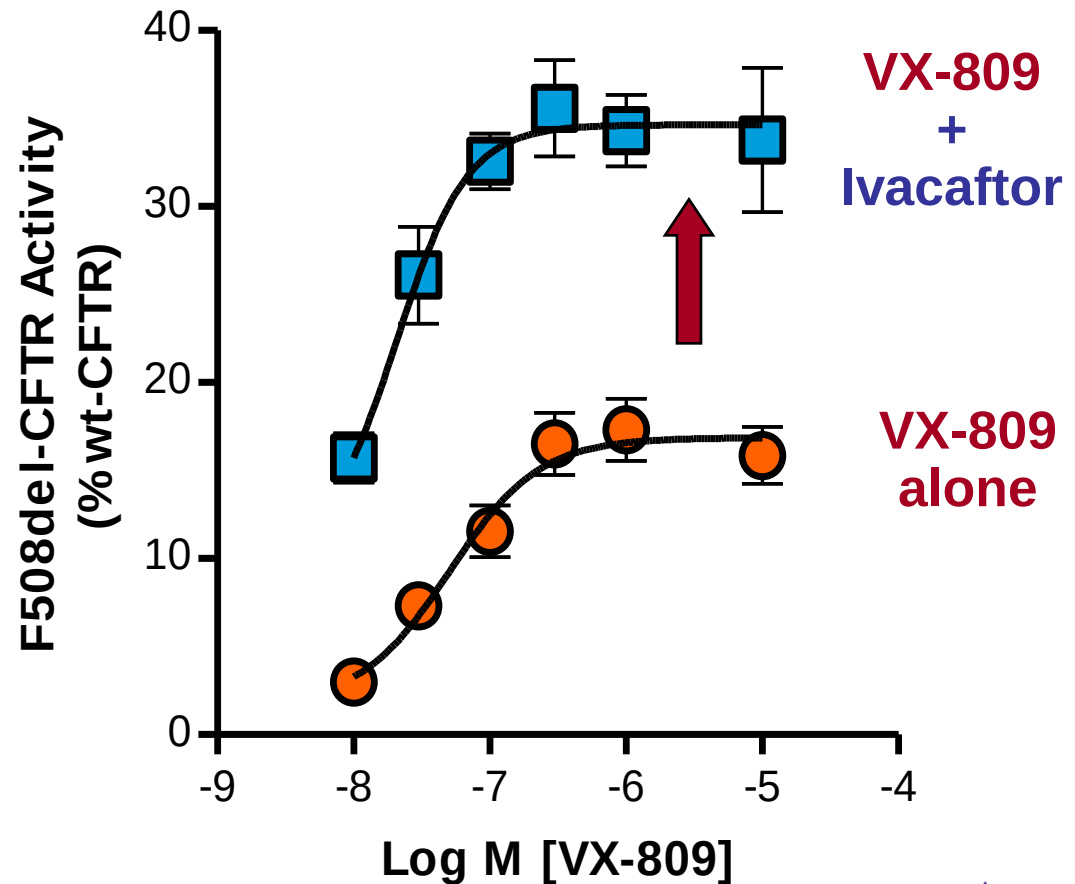
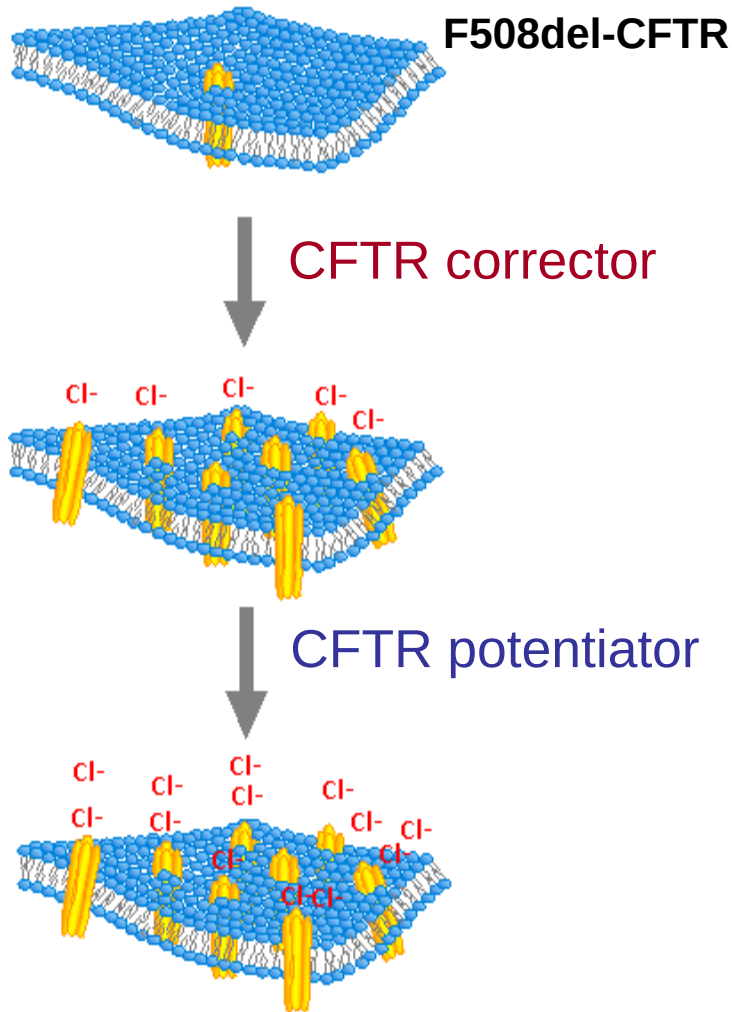


Conclusions

- In Vitro studies show:
 - Ivacaftor potentiated all tested mutant CFTR forms produced by *CFTR* gating mutations
 - G551D, G178R, G551S, G970R, G1244E, S1255P, G1349D
 - Three additional *CFTR* gating mutations were identified which were also potentiated by ivacaftor
 - S549N, S549R, S1251N
- These data support the potential for benefit of ivacaftor in patients with CF who have *CFTR* gating mutations beyond G551D.



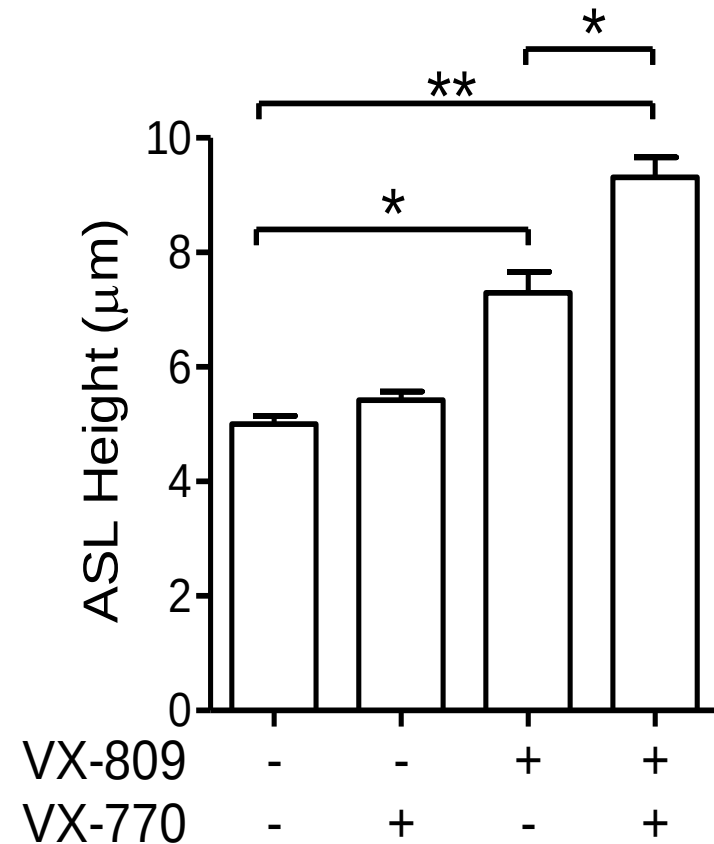
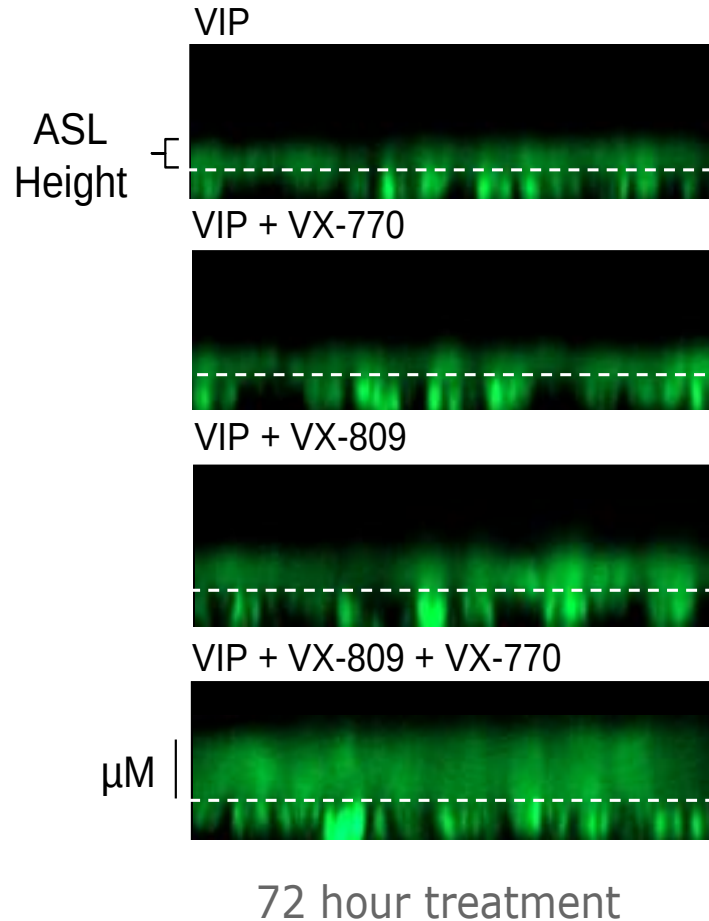
Combination Approach: CFTR Potentiator Ivacaftor (VX-770) Doubled the *In Vitro* Activity of VX-809



Van Goor et al. *Pediatr Pulmonol* 2009;44(S32):154absS9.4

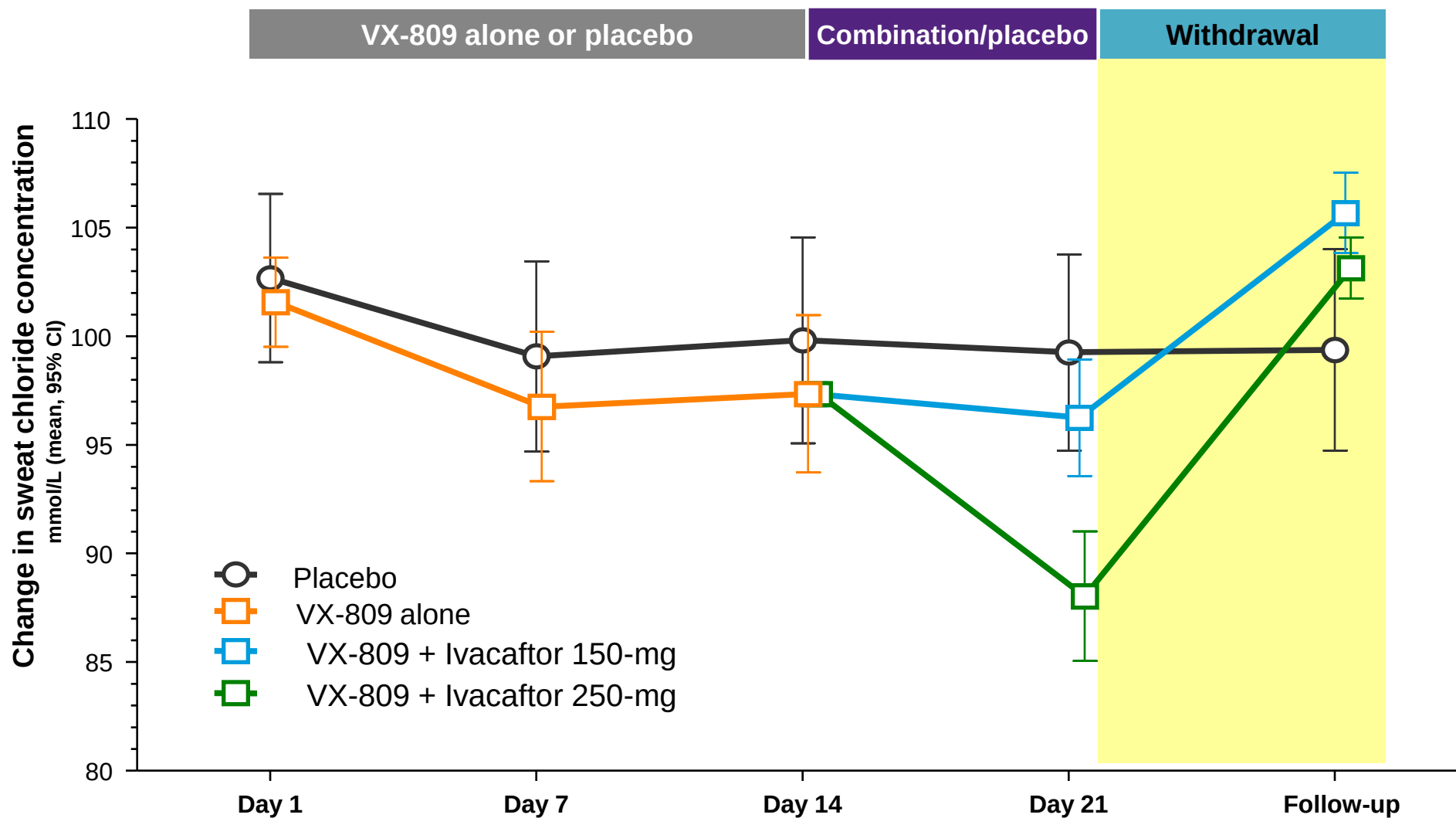


VX-809 and ivacaftor increased fluid transport in F508del-HBE



* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$ (ANOVA)
Non-CF HBE + VIP = $21 \pm 2 \mu\text{M}$

Effect of Combination of VX-809 + Ivacaftor in Subjects with CF Homozygous for *F508del-CFTR*



Analysis of evaluable patients

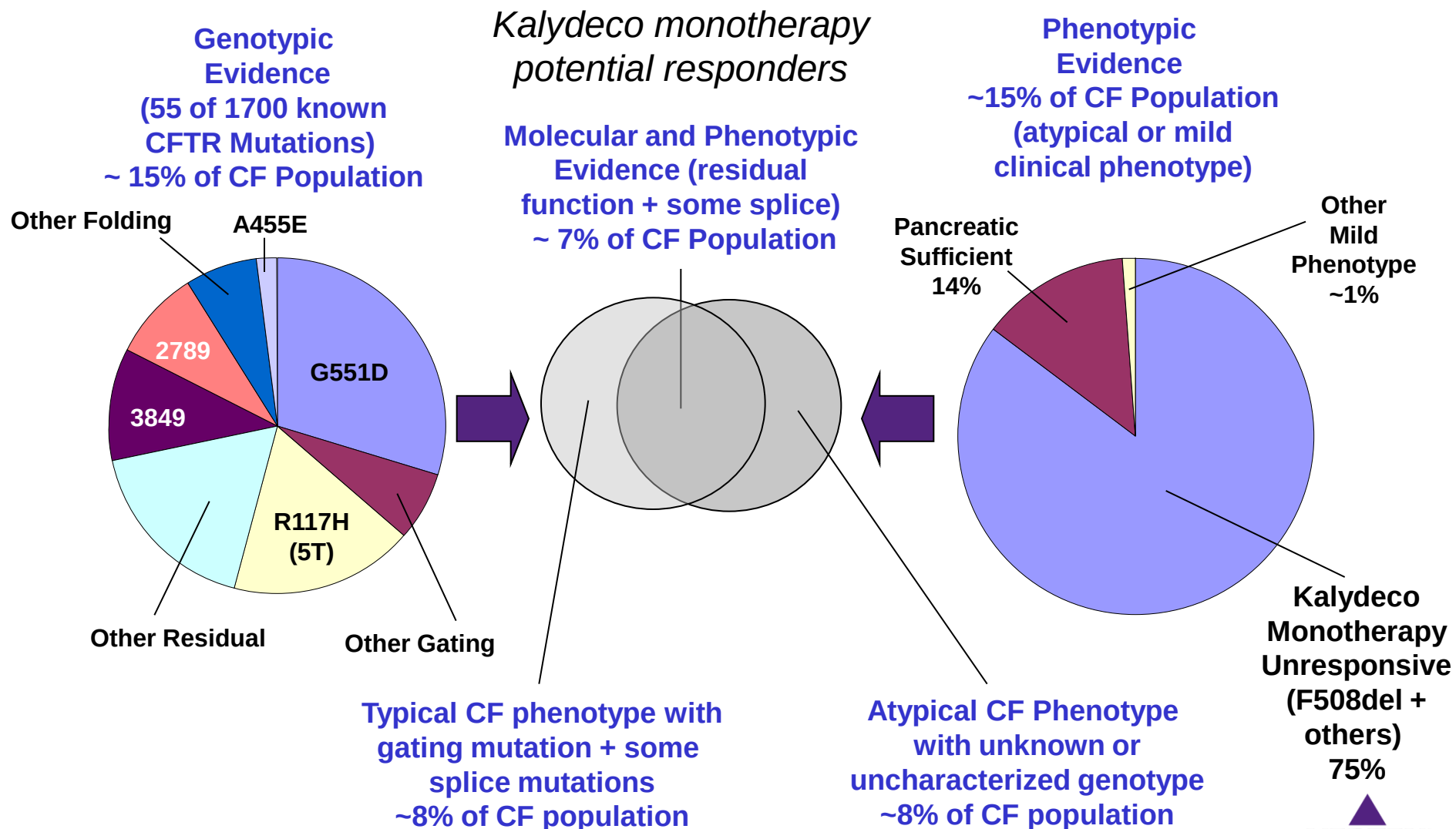


VX-809 Conclusions

- VX-809 is a CFTR corrector
 - Promoted the proper folding of a fraction of F508del-CFTR in the ER to increase its processing and delivery to the cell surface, resulting in enhanced chloride transport
- VX-809 and ivacaftor are additive in vitro
- VX-809 and ivacaftor are additive in subjects with CF who carry two copies of the F508del mutation
- Clinical studies are needed to determine if the improvement in F508del-CFTR function is sufficient to improve lung function

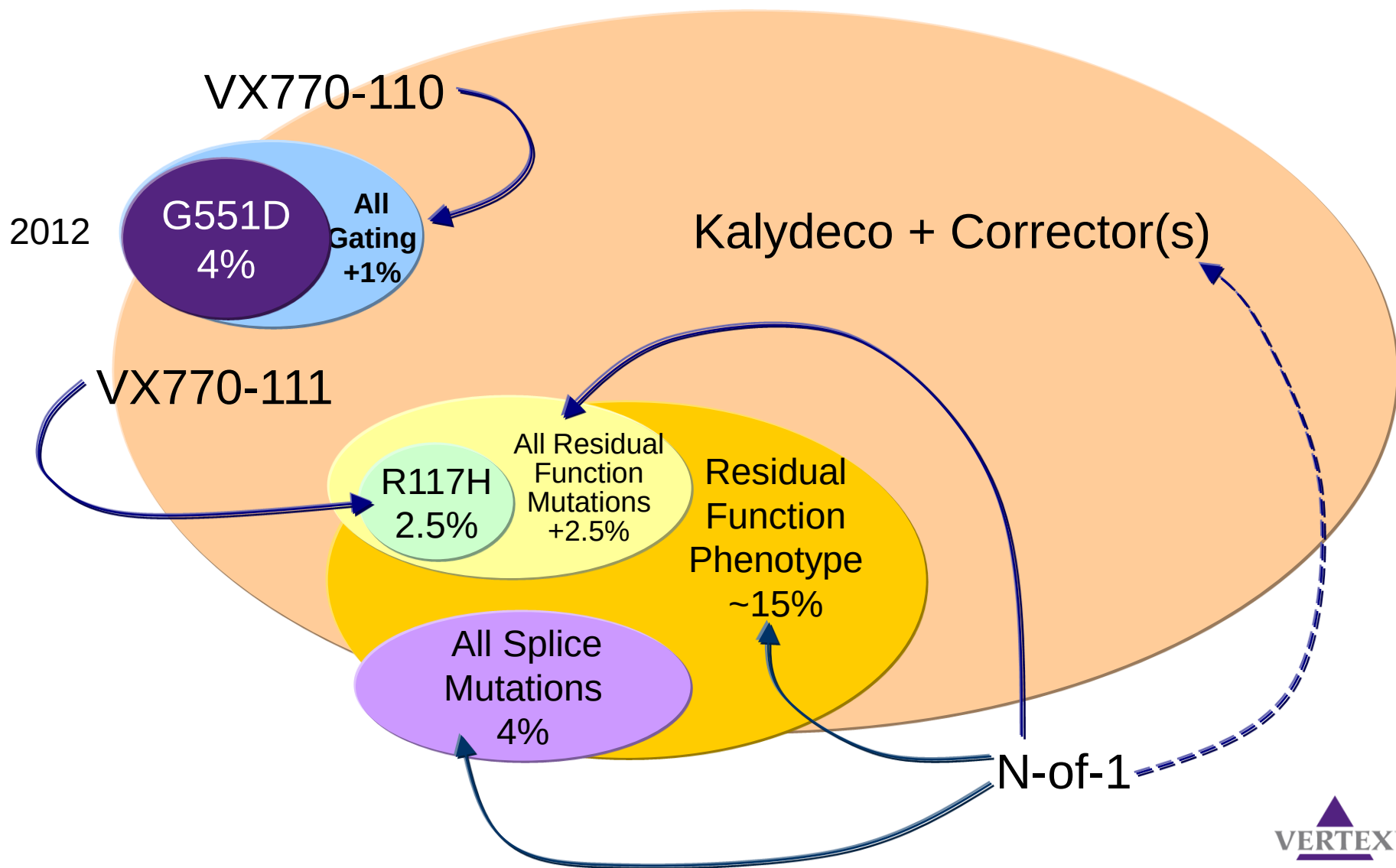


Genotypic and Phenotypic Patient Identification are Complementary



How does n-of-1 fit into the lifecycle strategy for Kalydeco?

Potential to identify Kalydeco response in 10-15% of CF population not readily addressed by conventional registration trials.



What are N-of-1 Clinical Trials?

The ultimate small sample randomized clinical trial (SRCT) design

- First used in the 60s for behavioral research
- Essentially a randomized, placebo-controlled repeated cross-over in a single individual
- Remote clinical phenotyping has greatly increased the practicality of N-of-1 clinical trials
- Methodology exists for aggregation of multiple n-of-1 trials to generate information similar to that of a large randomized clinical trial



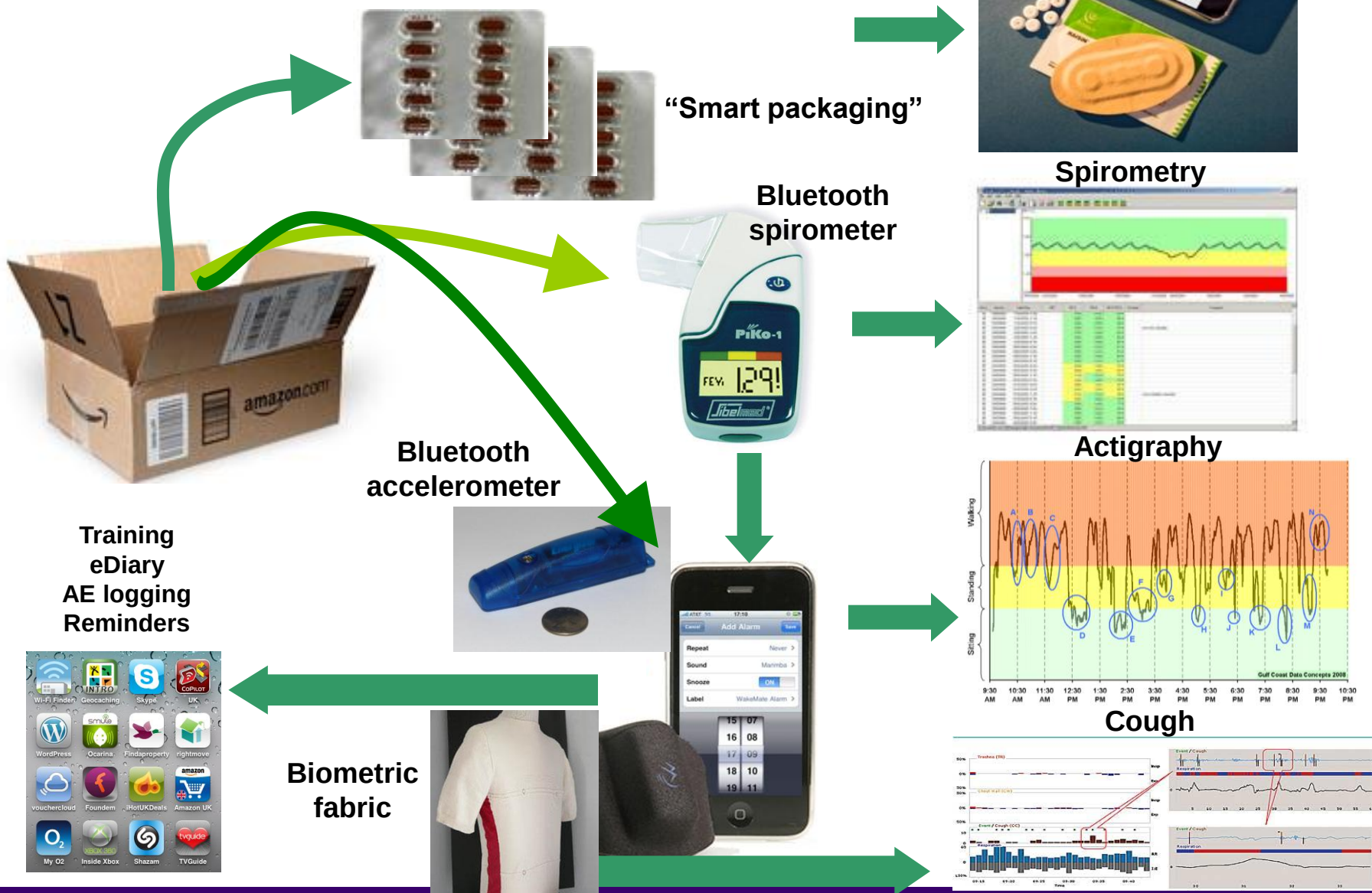
Efficacy Measures for Response-guided Therapy for CF

- “Gold-standard” is FEV-1
- Sweat chloride has good positive-predictive value for FEV-1 and weight improvement, but inadequate negative-predictive value
- Lung Clearance Index (LCI) shows promise with less variability than FEV1 – may be useful for mild disease
- Use of ambulatory/home monitoring can improve precision and power relative to traditional, infrequent single-time point data capture.



"Trial in a Box"

Decentralized, Response-guided Therapy



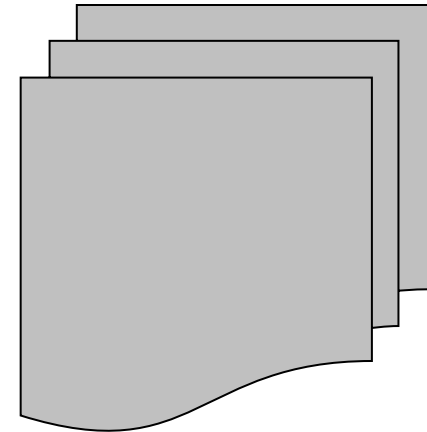
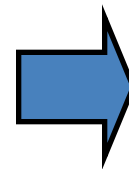
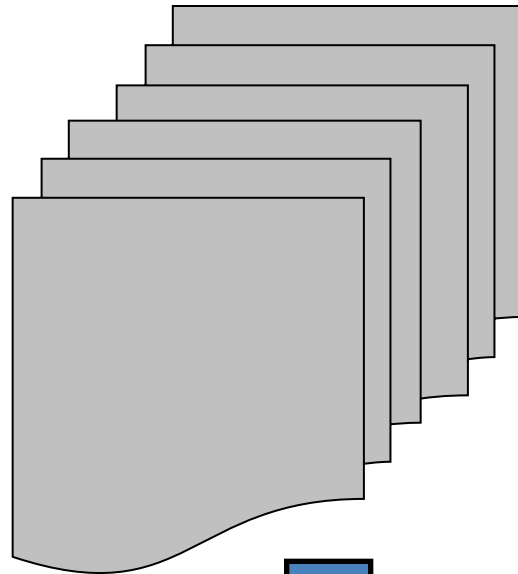
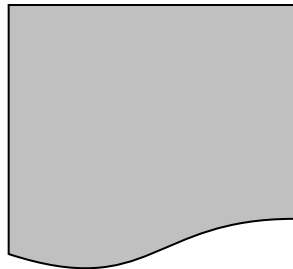
Bayesian Adaptive Model

When *n-of-1* is more than 1

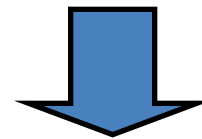
Individual
n-of-1
result

Meta-analysis of all prior
Kalydeco response
Information

Informative
Kalydeco response
subset



Response-guided
Treatment Decision



Population
Responses

Response-guided +
Population-based
Treatment Decision

*****Type-II (false negative) error rate
controlled by including results
from other informative *n-of-1* trials*****

*****Type-I (false positive) error rate
controlled by requirement for
multiple, concordant individual
responses*****

Lessons learned:

- Kalydeco – premier example for a personalized medicine approach
- It's not just about genetics/genomics
- Therapeutic success is driven by both genotype and phenotype
- Biomarker situation is complex!
- New clinical development strategies (eg: n=1) could make a difference
- Complete R&D&C integration is essential
- Early involvement of regulators and payers is key
- New regulatory guidelines and global harmonization needed





CF Foundation

Clinical Investigators and their teams

People with CF

National Patient Organizations

