

Πρώιμη έναρξη της βιολογικής θεραπείας  
στη ρευματοειδή αρθρίτιδα.

Υπάρχει επαρκής βιβλιογραφική τεκμηρίωση?

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# **Στρατηγική Θεραπείας ρευματοειδούς αρθρίτιδας**

Πρώιμη Θεραπευτική παρέμβαση

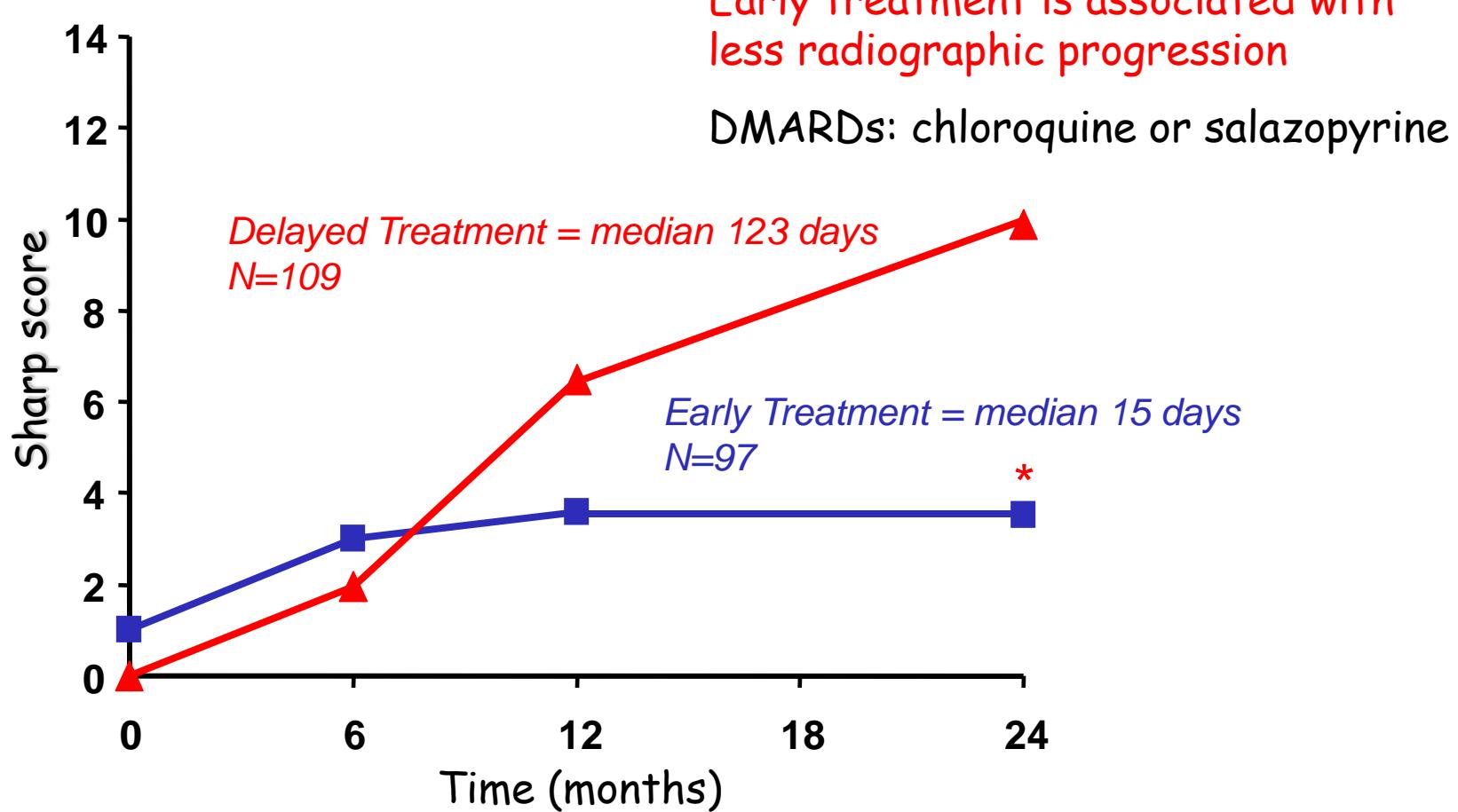
«Εντατική» παρακολούθηση

Καθορισμός αντικειμενικών στόχων θεραπείας

Συνδυασμός φαρμάκων

Early treatment

## Πρώιμη Θεραπευτική παρέμβαση



\* p<0.05 compared with delayed treatment group

Lard LR, et al. Am J Med. 2001;111:446-451

# Πώς επιτυγχάνονται οι θεραπευτικοί στόχοι;

**Table 1** Characteristics of the tight control studies

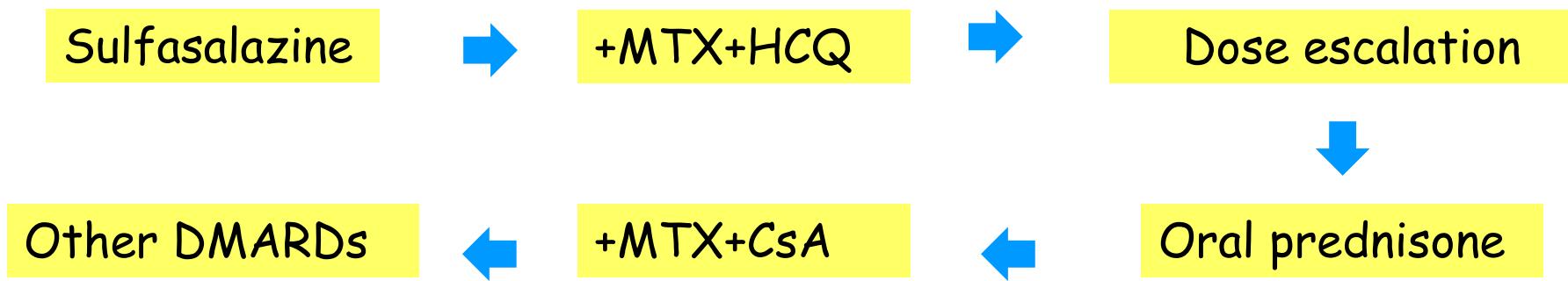
Study	Interventions/groups	n	Medication at the start	Frequency of assessment	Inclusion criteria	Disease duration
FIN-RACo	Combination therapy*	97	SSZ, MTX, HCQ, predn	3 months (variable)	ARA criteria RA, 18–65 yr, symptoms <2 yr, active disease ≥3 SJ and 3 of: ≥28 mm/h ESR or ≥19 mg/l CRP, ≥29 min/ms, >5 SJ or >10 TJ	<2 yr
	Mono therapy	98	SSZ ± predn	3/6 months (clinical decision/variable)		
TICORA	Intensive management*	55	DMARD, i.a. steroid	1 month (DAS)	18–75 yr, disease duration <5 yr, active disease (DAS>2.4)	<5 yr
	Routine management	55	DMARD mono	3 months (clinical decision)		
BeSt	Sequential mono therapy*	126	MTX	3 months (DAS44)	ACR criteria RA, ≥18 yr, disease duration ≤2 yr, active disease: ≥6 of 66 SJ, ≥6 of 68 TJ, ≥28 mm/h ESR, ≥20 mm VAS global health	≤2 yr
	Step-up combination therapy*	121	MTX	3 months (DAS44)		
	Initial combination therapy + h.d. predn*	133	MTX, SSZ, predn	3 months (DAS44)		
	Initial combination therapy + infliximab*	128	MTX, infliximab	3 months (DAS44)		
CAMERA	Intensive strategy group*	151	MTX	1 month (computer decision program)	ACR criteria RA, >16 yr, early RA (<1 yr)	<1 yr
	Conventional strategy group	148	MTX	3 months (clinical decision)		

# Tight control Αποτελεσματικότητα της συστηματικής παρακολούθησης βάσει του DAS TICORA

Single-blind, 18-month, controlled trial, including 110 patients with RA <5 years, randomized to either intensive management of protocol-based escalation of DMARDs or routine care

## A. Εντατική παρακολούθηση

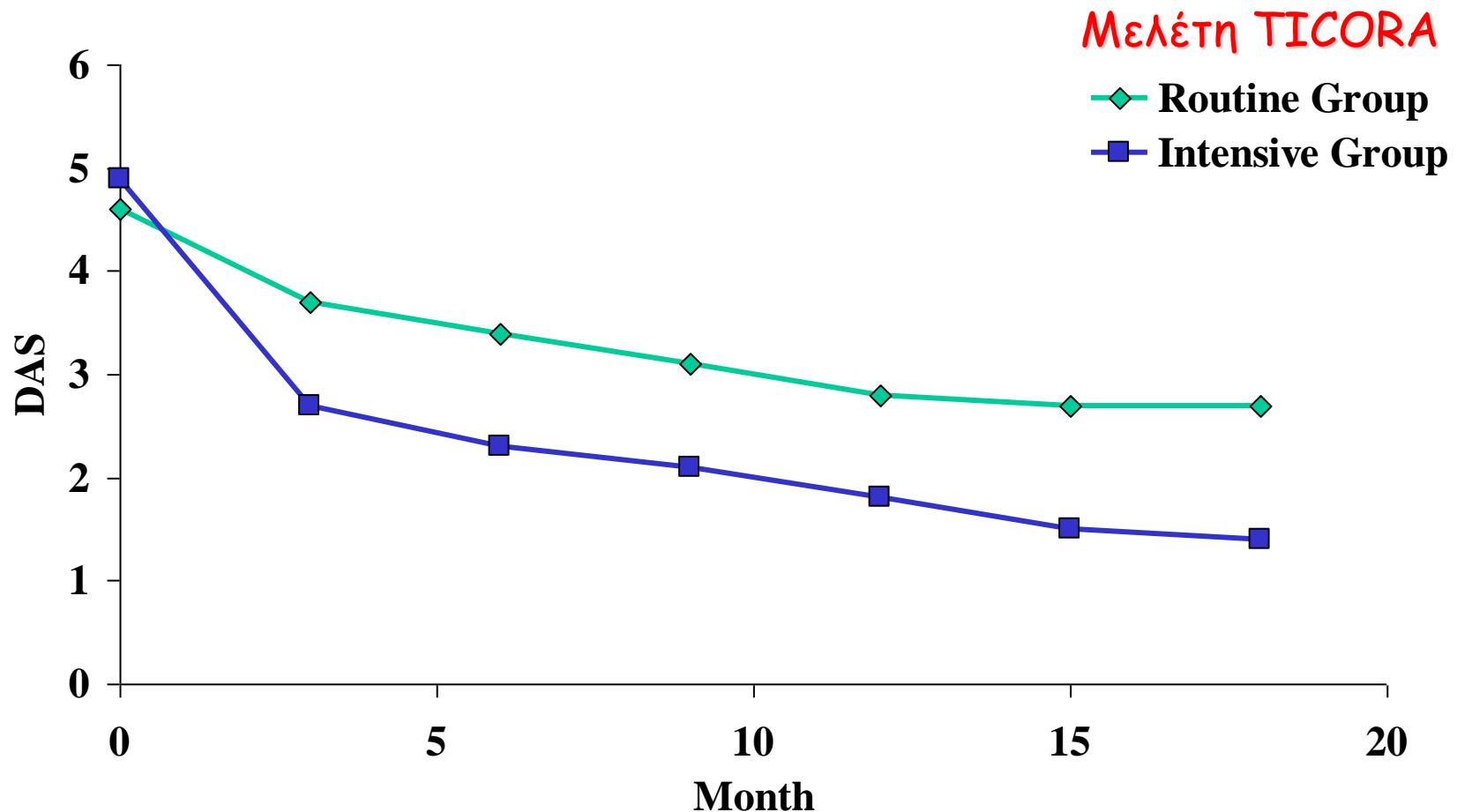
- Εκτίμηση DAS / μήνα
- DAS >2.4 → ↑ DMARDs



## B. Συνήθης παρακολούθηση

- Εκτίμηση / 3μήνες
- Τροποποίηση αγωγής βάσει της γνώμης του ιατρού

# Αποτελεσματική η συστηματική παρακολούθηση και τροποποίηση της αγωγής βάσει του DAS



# Κλινικά αποτελέσματα σε 18 μήνες

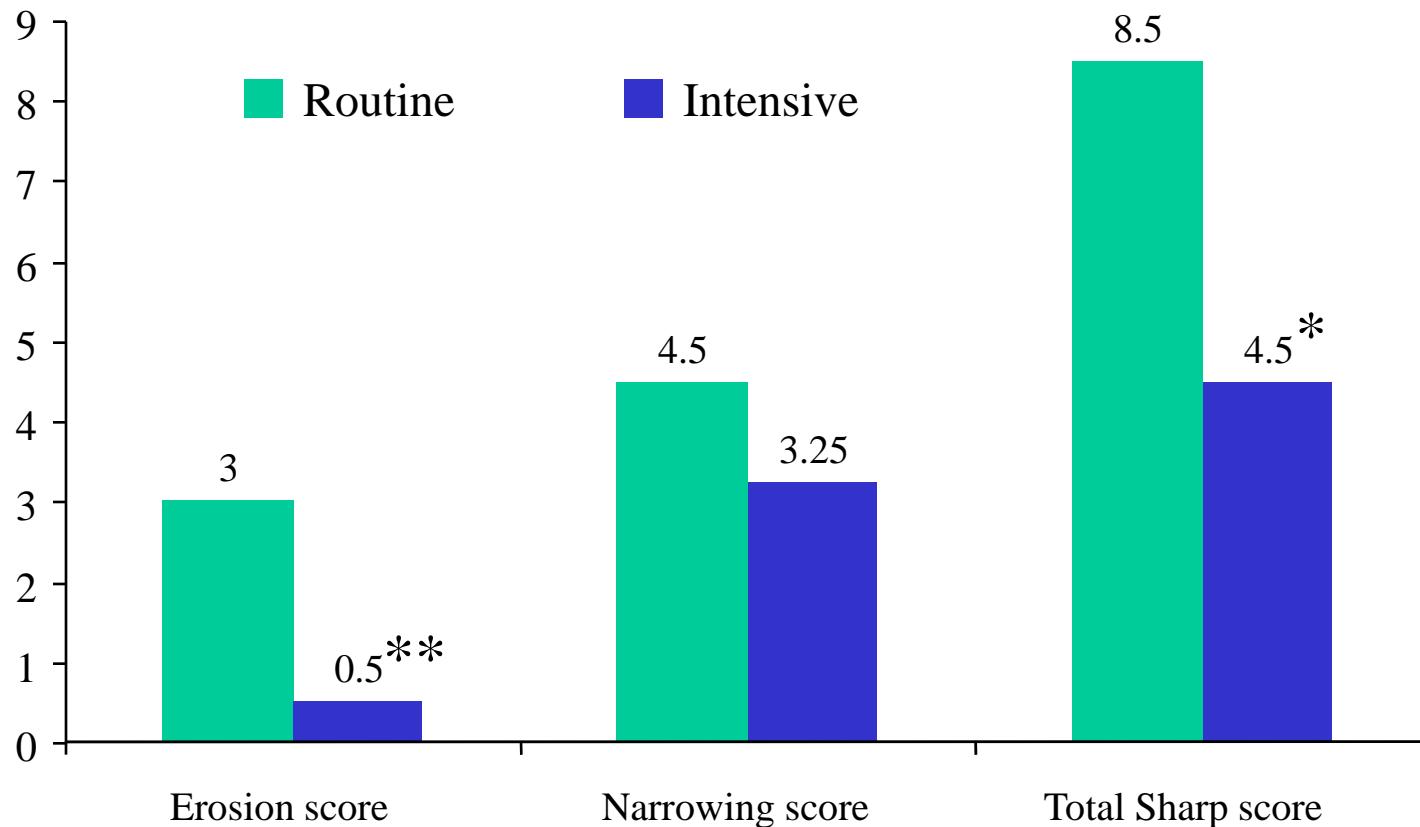
	Routine Care (n=53)	Intensive Care (n=50)	P-value
Mean Fall in DAS	-1.9	-3.5	<i>P</i> <0.0001
EULAR Good Response (DAS ≤2.4 and fall of 1.2 from baseline)	44%	82%	<i>P</i> <0.0001
<b>EULAR Remission</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<i>P</i> <0.0001
ACR50	40%	84%	<i>P</i> <0.0001
ACR70	18%	71%	<i>P</i> <0.0001
Change in CRP (mg/dL)	-14	-30	<i>P</i> =0.09
Change in HAQ	-0.47	-0.97	<i>P</i> =0.0025
SF12 Physical Summary Score	4.0	9.3	<i>P</i> =0.021

Εντατική παρακολούθηση και κλινικές μετρήσεις μειώνουν τη δραστηριότητα της νόσου

Grigor C, et al. Lancet. 2004;364:263-269

# Ακτινολογική εξέλιξη: Ο και 18 μήνες

Median change in erosion, joint space narrowing and total Sharp score



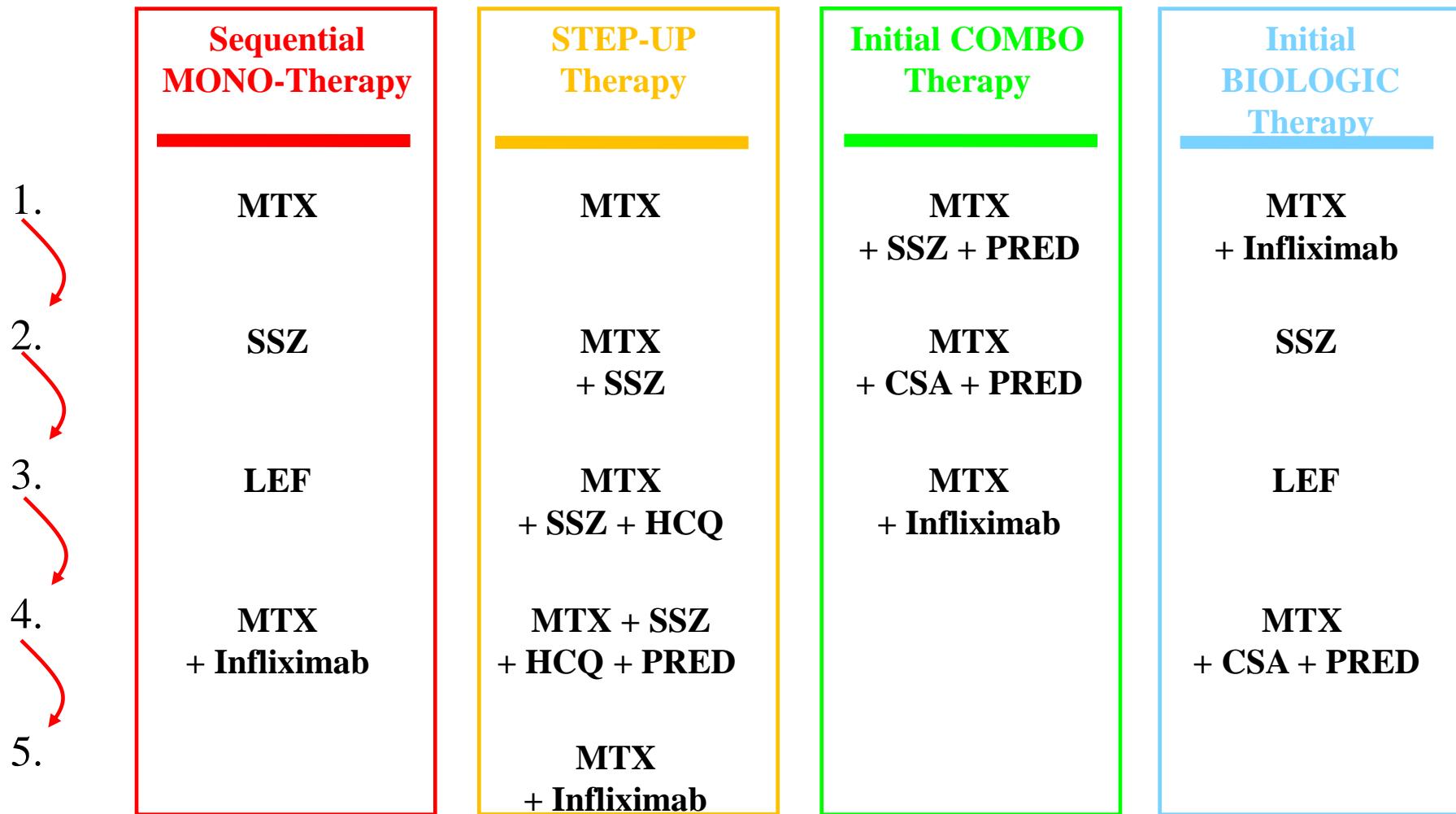
\*  $P<0.02$ , \*\*  $P<0.002$ , Mann-Whitney

# Treatment Strategies in Early RA *BeSt*

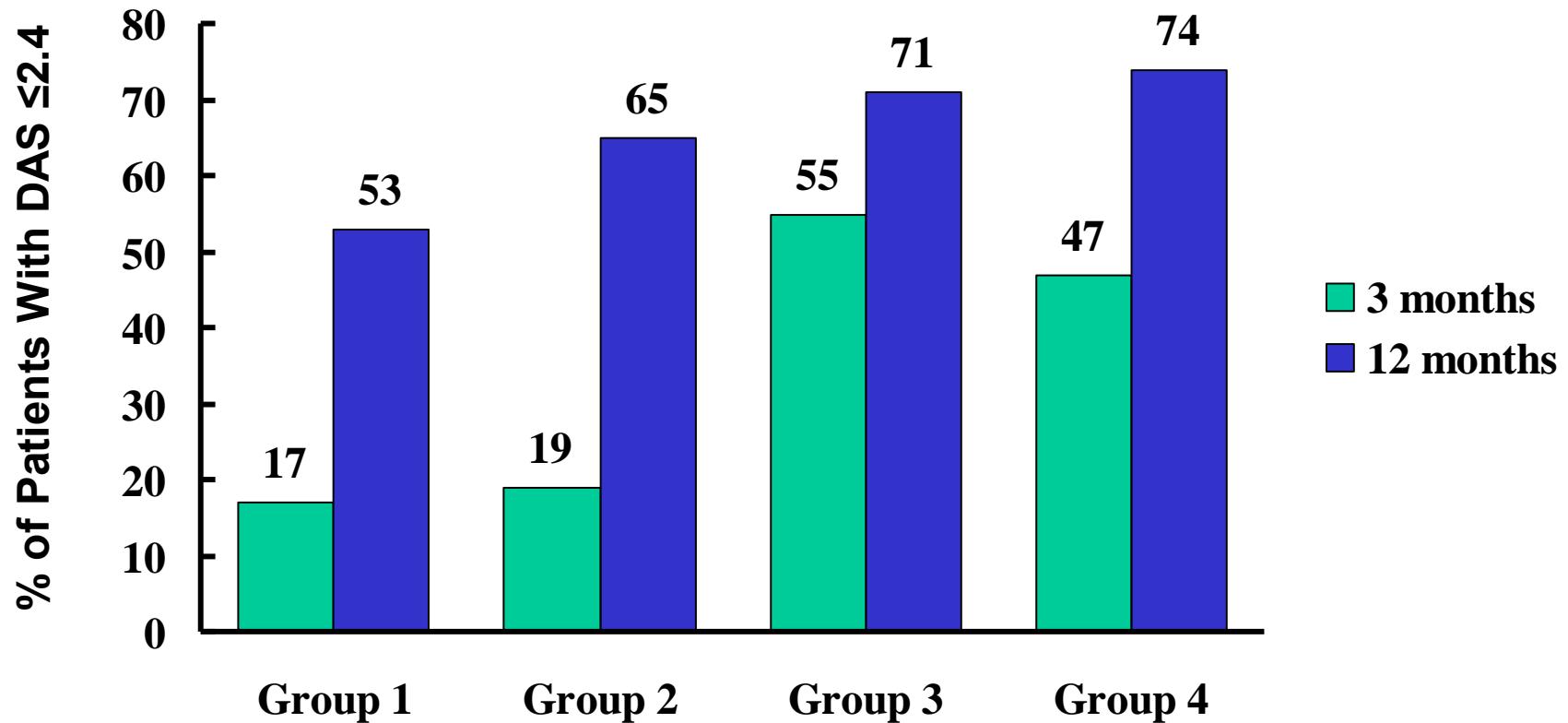
Target to treat

N=508

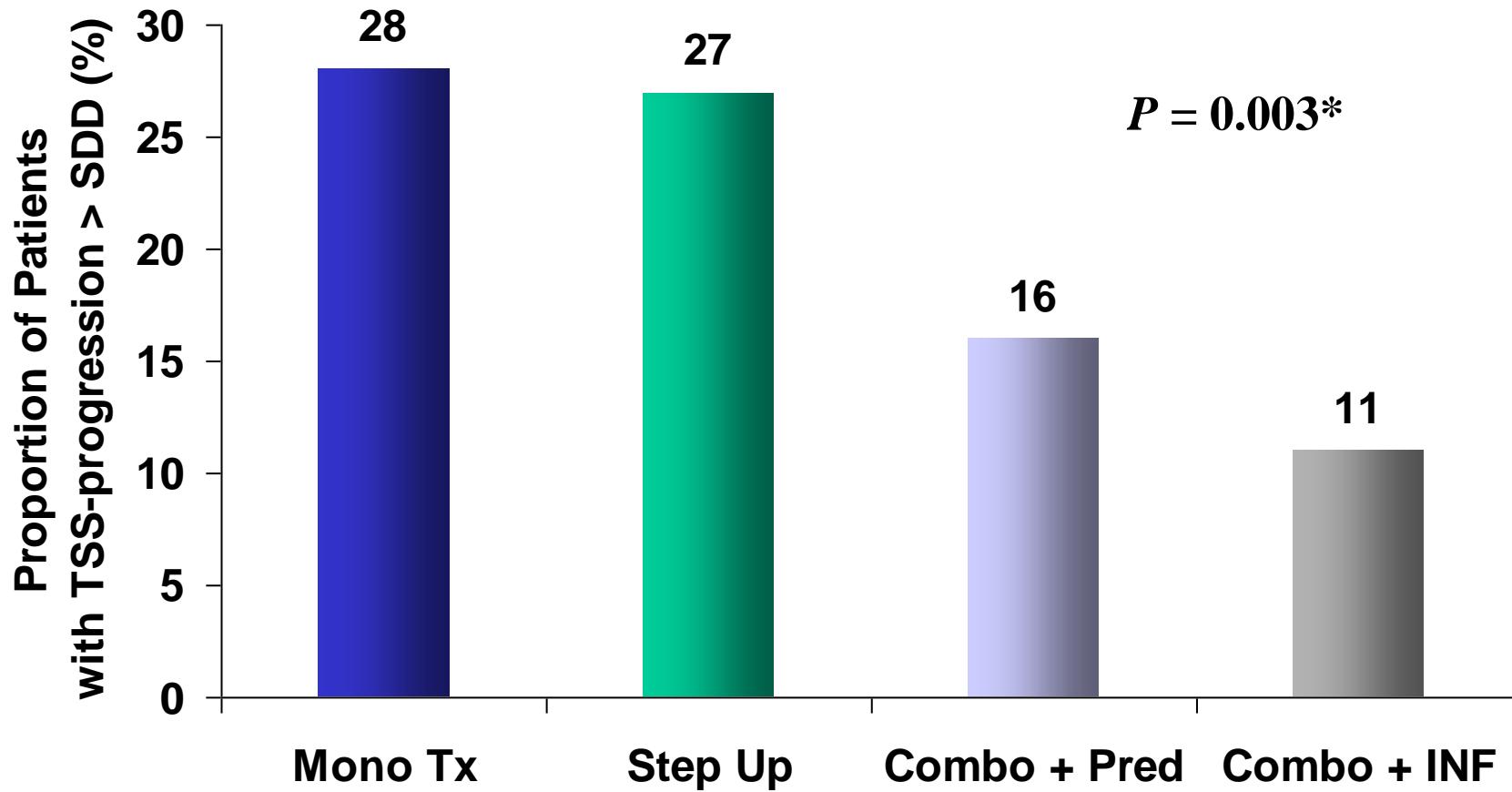
Treatment adjustments were made every 3 months in an effort to obtain low disease activity



# DAS Responders: BeSt Study



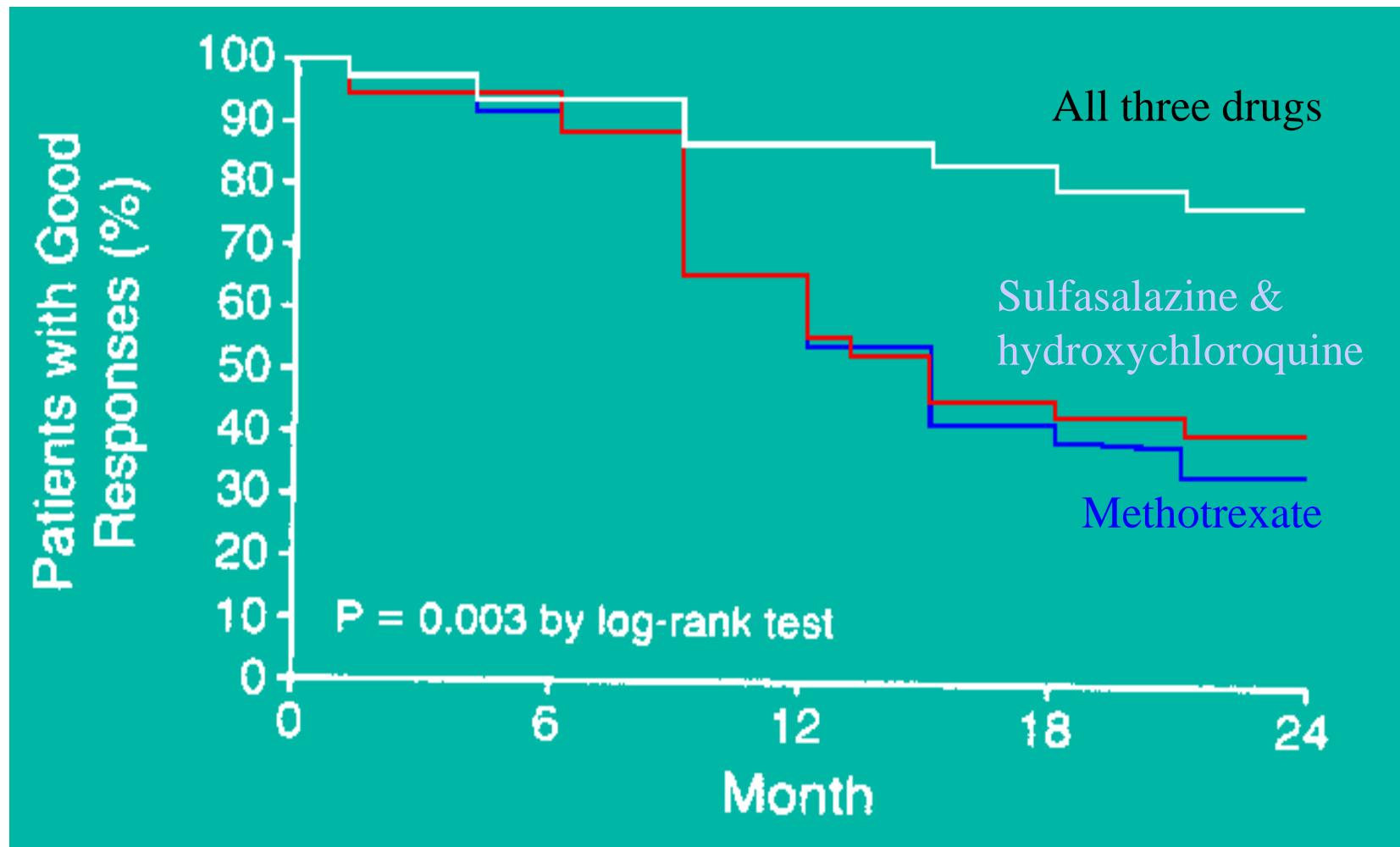
## Ακτινολογική εξέλιξη στα 2 χρόνια



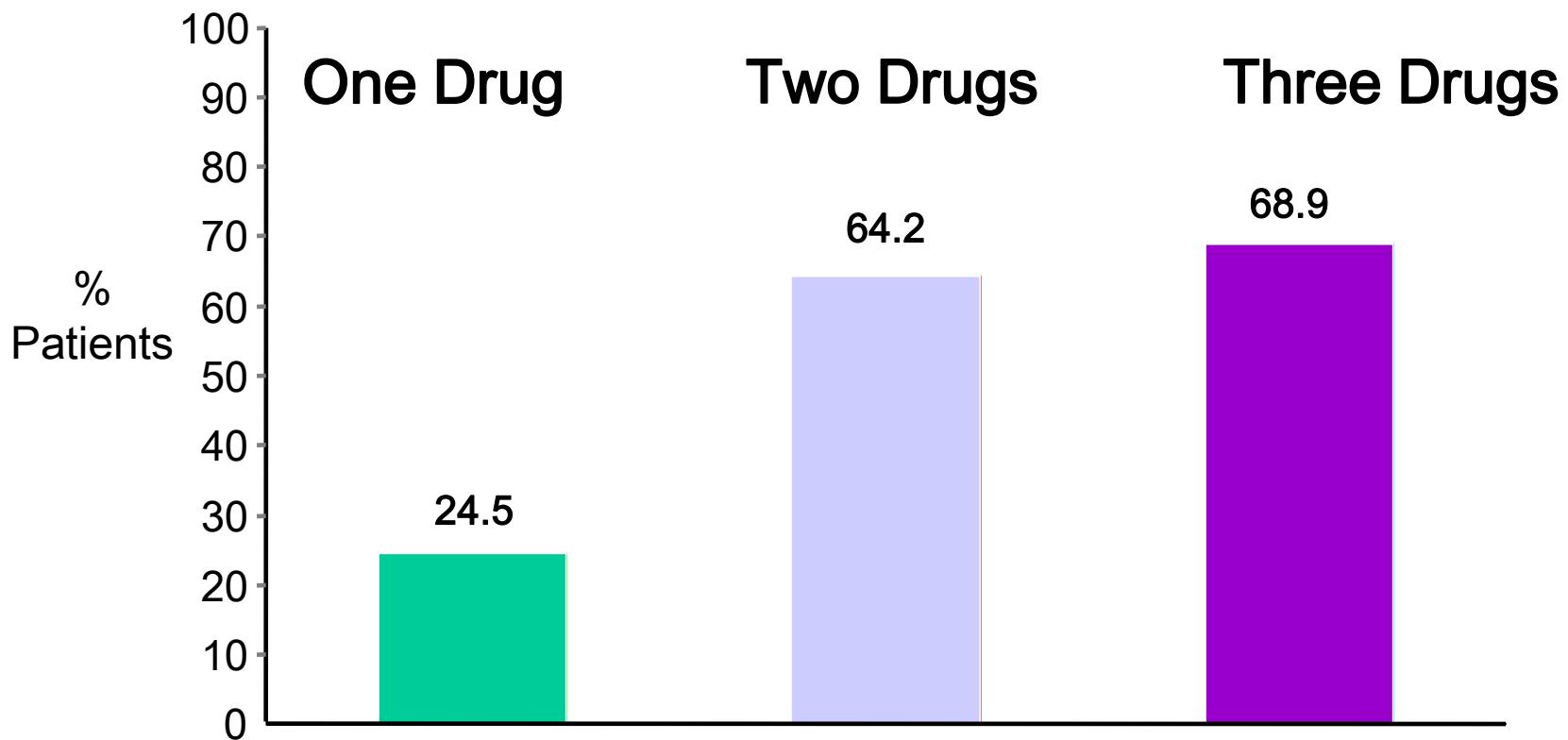
\* Overall  $P$ -value, SDD = smallest detectable difference

# Monotherapy vs Combination therapy?

# Treatment of RA with methotrexate alone, sulphasalazine and hydroxychloroquine, or a combination of all three medications



# Combination Therapy in Early RA No Radiographic Progression at 24 Months



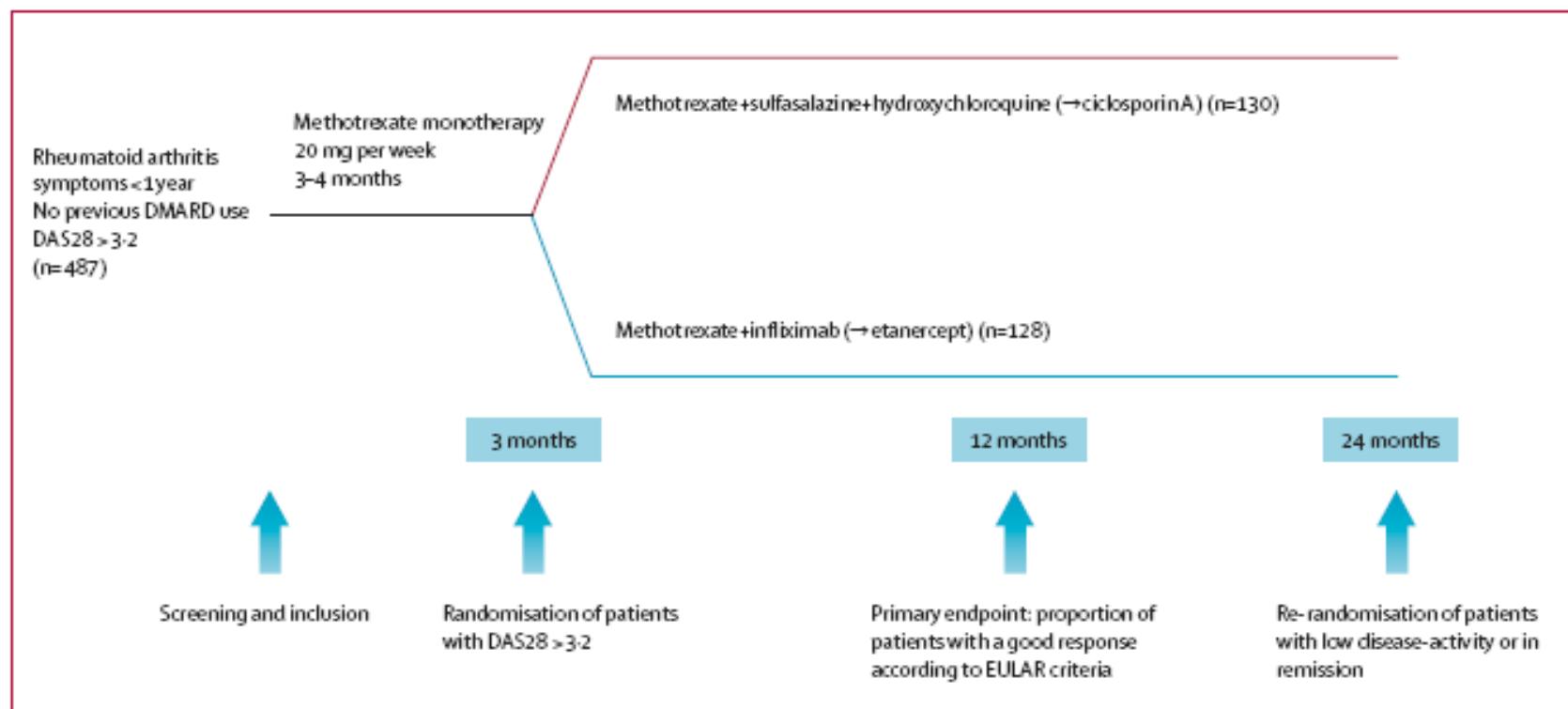
Grp I: One drug: MTX or HCQ or SSZ    Grp II: Two drugs : MTX + HCQ or MTX + SSZ

Grp III: Three drugs: MTX + HCQ + SSZ;    I vs II ( $P=0.001$ ); I vs III ( $P=0.001$ ); II vs III ( $P$  NS)

# Addition of infliximab compared with addition of sulfasalazine and hydroxychloroquine to methotrexate in patients with early rheumatoid arthritis (Swefot trial): 1-year results of a randomised trial

RF van Vollenhoven, S Ernestam, P Geborek, IF Petersson, L Cöster, EWaltbrand, A Zickert, J Theander, Å Thörner, H Hellström, A Teleman, CDackhammar, FAkre, K Forslind, LLjung, R Oding, A Chatzidionysiou, M Wörnert, J Bratt

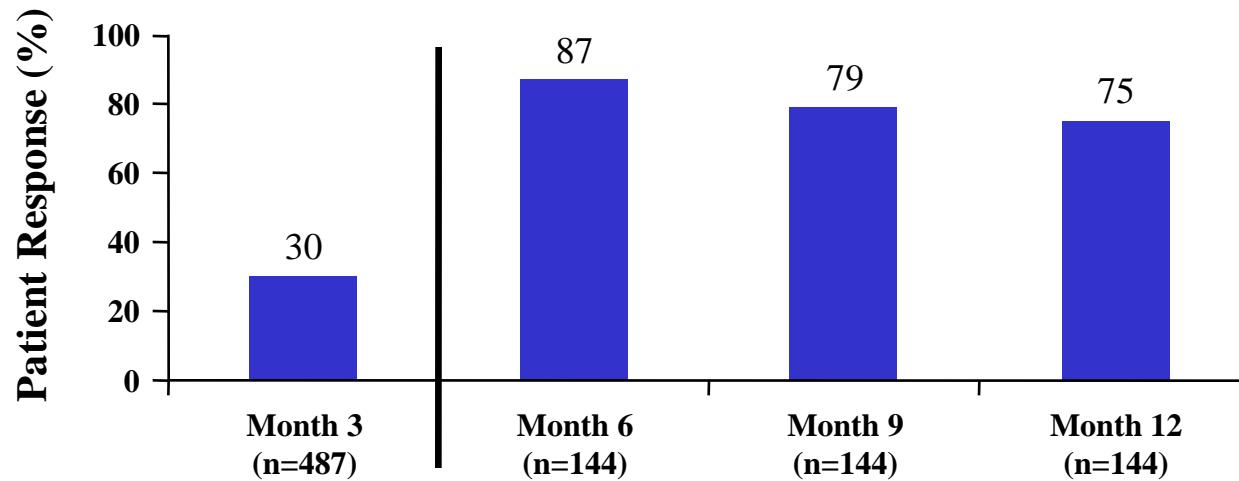
Lancet 2009; 374: 459-66



# Μονοθεραπεία με MTX σε πρώιμη PA οδηγεί σε LDA

- N=487 με πρώιμη PA (< 1 έτος)
- Σε όλους χορηγήθηκε MTX (έως 20 mg/week)
- Μετά 3-4 μήνες, **144 ασθενείς** με DAS28<3.2 συνέχισαν με MTX & δεν συμμετείχαν στην ελεγχόμενη μελέτη SWEFOT

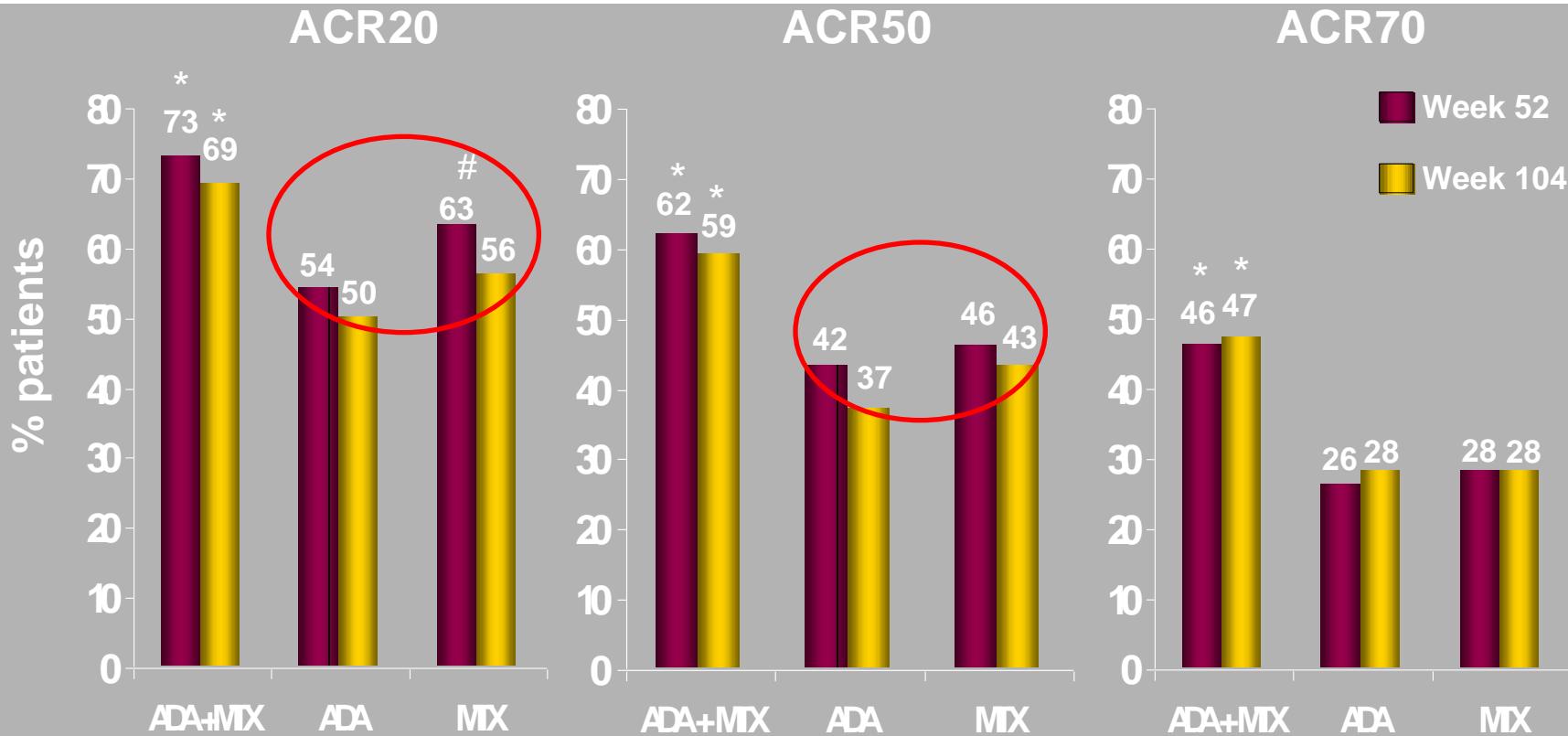
## Patients on MTX Monotherapy with DAS28<3.2



- 75% των ασθενών συνεχίζουν με MTX (μονοθεραπεία) με LDA (DAS28 <3.2)

# *PREMIER Study*

## ACR 20/50/70 at Weeks 52 and 104

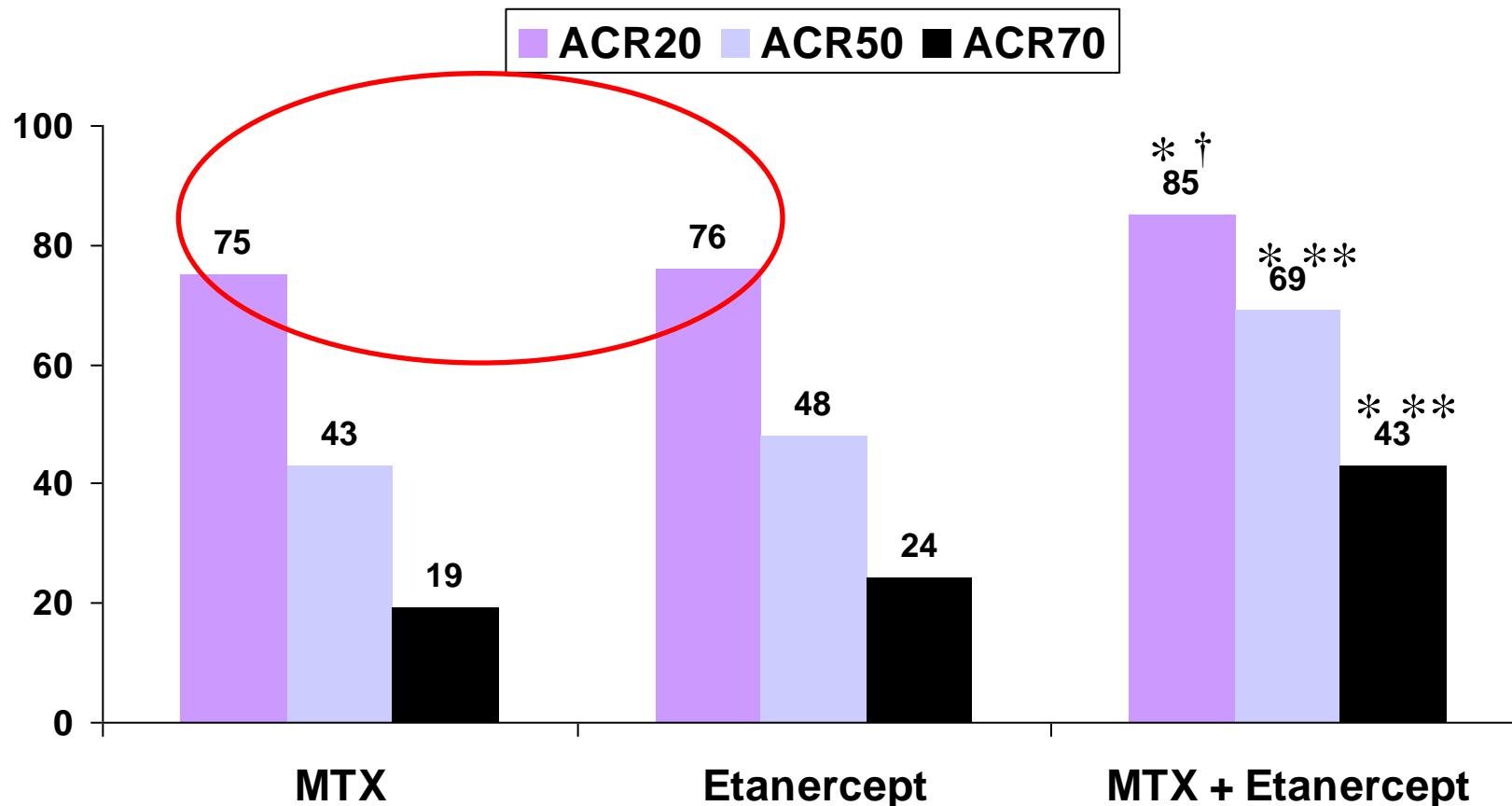


\* $p<0.001$  for adalimumab + MTX vs MTX alone and adalimumab alone

#  $p=0.043$  for MTX vs adalimumab, others NS

Breedveld FC, et al. Arthritis Rheum. 2006;54:26-37.

# TEMPO: Clinical Response at Week 52



\* $P<0.01$  combination vs MTX; † $P<0.05$  combination vs etanercept; \*\* $P<0.01$  combination vs etanercept

Klareskog L. EULAR 2003. Satellite Symposium: 'New Perspectives on Treatment Expectations in Rheumatoid Arthritis' Efficacy and Tolerability – Evolving Expectations for Biological Therapy in Rheumatoid Arthritis.

# TEAR Trial: RCT in early RA

Immediate  
MTX+HCQ+SSZ  
(Triple Therapy)

Immediate  
MTX+  
etanercept

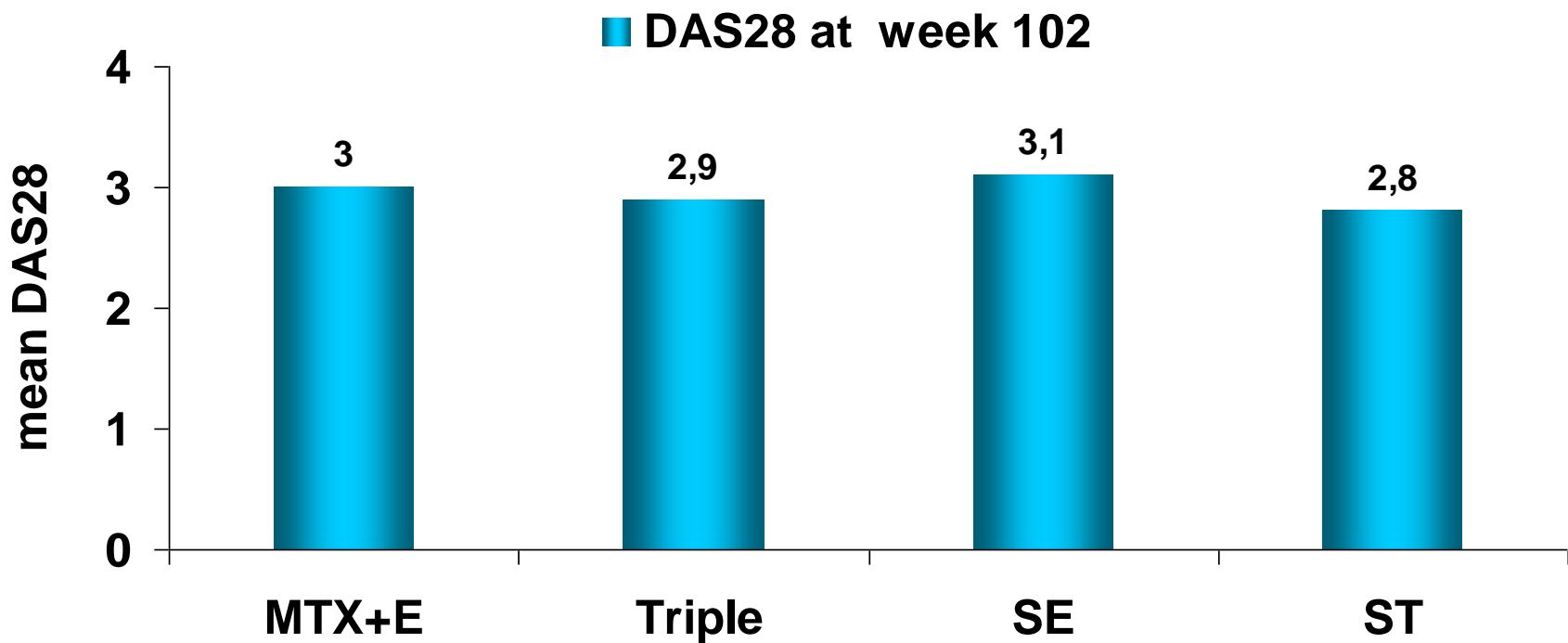
Step up from  
MTX to triple  
therapy

Step up from  
MTX to  
MTX+etanercept

*If DAS > 3.2 at 6 months*

DAS28 at 2 years	2.9	3.0	2.8	3.1
ACR20 at 6 months (%)	64.0	63.6	47.7	45.2
ACR50 at 6 months (%)	38.6	35.5	21.5	22.1
ACR70 at 6 months (%)	11.4	13.1	4.7	3.2

## TEAR: mean DAS28 στις 102 Εβδομάδες

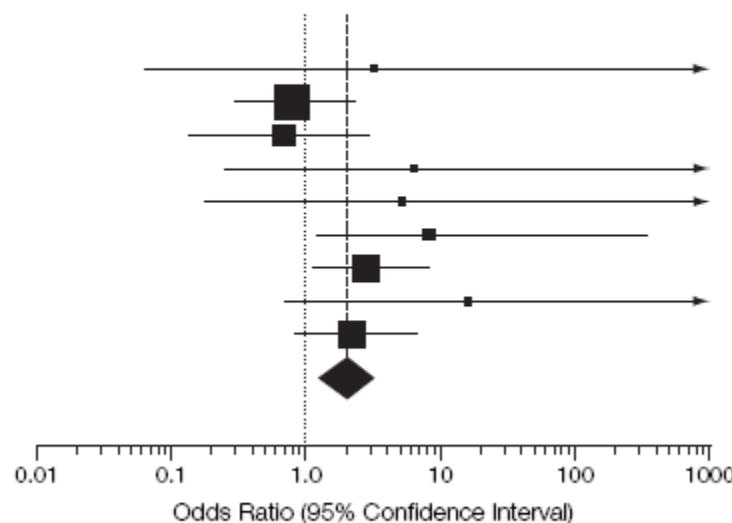


# Αυξάνει ο κίνδυνος λοιμώξεων με τη χορήγηση των αντι-TNFα παραγόντων;

- All published RCTs with infliximab and adalimumab
- N = 9 (6 excluded, <12 weeks or differential exclusion criteria or lack of control group)

**Figure 3.** Effect of Anti-TNF Antibody Therapy vs Control Therapy on Occurrence of 1 or More Serious Infections in Patients With Rheumatoid Arthritis

Source	Serious Infections, No./Total		Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)
	Anti-TNF	Placebo	
Maini et al, <sup>32</sup> 1998	2/87	0/14	3.13 (0.06-Infinity)
Lipsky et al, <sup>9</sup> 2000	21/342	7/86	0.76 (0.30-2.18)
Furst et al, <sup>8</sup> 2003	4/318	6/318	0.66 (0.14-2.83)
Van de Putte et al, <sup>10</sup> 2003	4/214	0/70	6.33 (0.30-Infinity)
Weinblatt et al, <sup>11</sup> 2003	3/209	0/62	4.93 (0.19-Infinity)
Keystone et al, <sup>6</sup> 2004	16/419	1/200	7.90 (1.21-332.96)
St Clair et al, <sup>7</sup> 2004	40/749	6/291	2.68 (1.11-7.81)
Van de Putte et al, <sup>33</sup> 2004	11/434	0/110	15.34 (0.71-Infinity)
Westhovens et al, <sup>34</sup> 2004	25/721	6/361	2.13 (0.84-6.30)
Total	126/3493	26/1512	2.01 (1.31-3.09)
Test for overall effect: Mantel-Haenszel $\chi^2=9.1$ ; P=.002	3.6%	1.7%	



TNF indicates tumor necrosis factor. Size of the data markers is proportional to the statistical weight of the trial.

- 126 σοβαρές λοιμώξεις σε RA υπό infliximab ή adalimumab
- 12 ήσαν κοκκιωματώδεις, οι υπόλοιπες βακτηριακές
- OR για τις σοβαρές λοιμώξεις: 2.0 (95% CI 1.3- 3.1)

# Κίνδυνος σοβαρών βακτηριακών λοιμώξεων

Table 2. Types of physician-confirmed “definite” bacterial infections during hospitalization\*

	TNF $\alpha$ antagonist patients	MTX-only patients
No. (%) of patients with any infection	65 (2.7)	58 (2.0)
Site-specific infections, no.		
Pneumonia/empyema	25	23
Cellulitis/soft tissue	23	17
Bacteremia/sepsis	7	8
Kidney/urinary tract	8	10
Postoperative	7	5
Device-associated	6	4
Septic arthritis	4	4
Gastroenteritis	1	5
Abdominal abscess	1	2
Osteomyelitis	1	3
Bacterial sinusitis	3	0
Diverticulitis	0	1
Total†	86	82

Ο κίνδυνος για νοσηλεία ήταν ~2- φορές υψηλότερος γενικά (σε περίοδο 20 μηνών) και 4-φορές υψηλότερος τους πρώτους 6 μήνες σε σύγκριση με αυτούς που λάμβαναν μόνο ΜΤΧ (ηλικία, ΧΑΠ, ΣΔ)

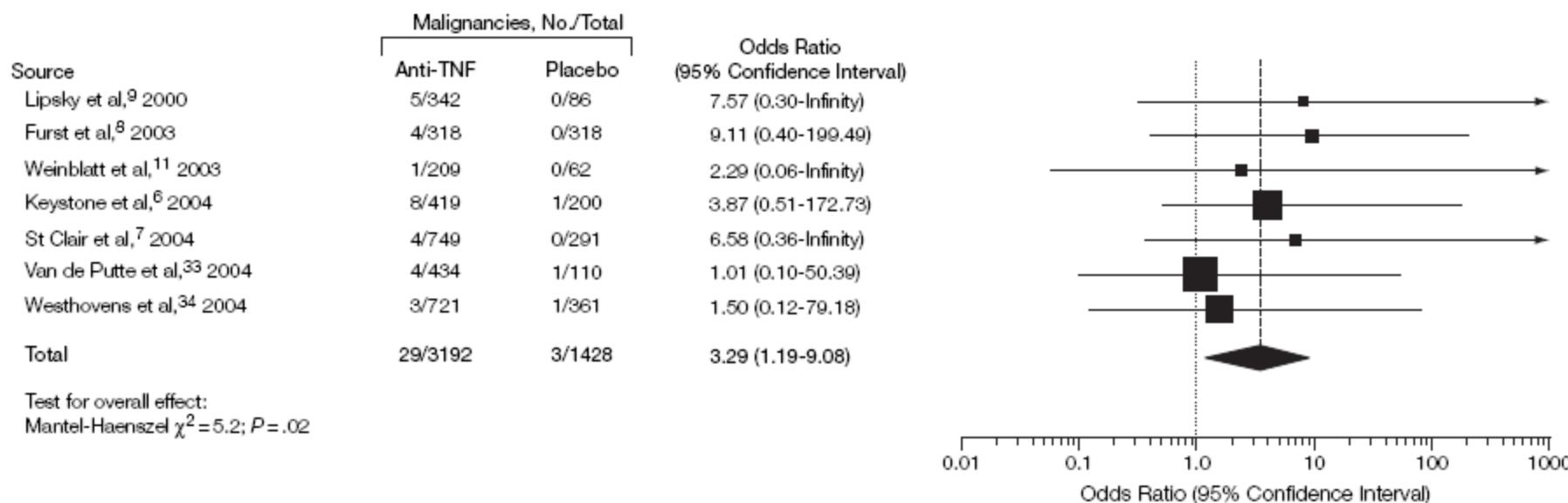
# H. Zoster infection with TNF inhibitor Use

- RABBIT (German Biologics Registry) 2001-06
- DMARD vs TNF (5040) pts (ETN, ADA, INF)
  - 86 Varicella-Zoster Viral (VZV) infections in 82 patients
    - TNF use "may" increase risk of H. Zoster
    - 12 hospitalized
    - 4 H. zoster ophthalmicus
- VZV Rates: TNF vs DMARD
- Significantly Increased Risk w/
  - Age (1.73),
  - ↑DAS (1.36),
  - Pred  $\geq$ 10mg (2.9)

		95%CI
ETN	1.36	(0.73-2.5)
MAbs	1.82	(1.05-3.15)
All TNF	1.63	(0.97-2.4)

# Αυξάνει ο κίνδυνος νεοπλασιών με τη χορήγηση των αντι-TNFα παραγόντων?

**Figure 2.** Effect of Anti-TNF Antibody Therapy vs Control Therapy on Occurrence of 1 or More Malignancies in Patients With Rheumatoid Arthritis



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OR για νεοπλασίες: 3.3 (95% CI 1.2- 9.1)

# Medication costs

Drug	Approximate time to benefit	Usual maintenance dose	Annual drug cost (cost of generics), dollars*
Hydroxychloroquine	2–6 months	200 mg twice a day	1,056 (559)
Sulfasalazine	1–3 months	1,000 mg 2–3 times a day	509–763 (205–308)
Methotrexate	1–2 months	Oral 7.5–20 mg/week; injectable 7.5–20 mg/week	697–1,859 (259–691); 419–806 (42–81)
Leflunomide	4–12 weeks (skewed earlier)	20 mg/day in a single dose, if tolerated; otherwise, 10 mg/day†	2,938
Etanercept	A few days to 12 weeks	25 mg subcutaneously twice a week	15,436
Infliximab plus oral and subcutaneous methotrexate	A few days to 4 months	3–10 mg IV every 8 weeks or 3–5 mg IV every 4 weeks‡	13,940–30,287 or 28,040–36,694§
Azathioprine	2–3 months	50–150 mg/day	579–1,737 (471–1,414)
D-penicillamine	3–6 months	250–750 mg/day	865–2,595 (398–1,194)
Gold, oral	4–6 months	3 mg twice a day	1,622
Gold, intramuscular	3–6 months	25–50 mg intramuscularly every 2–4 weeks	198# (142)
Minocycline	1–3 months	100 mg twice a day	2,592 (582)
Cyclosporine	2–4 months	2.5–4 mg/kg/day**	4,432–8,859 (3,512–7,022)
Staphylococcal protein A immunoabsorption	3 months	Weekly for 12 weeks	20,433††

## Συνεπώς

- Έκβαση νόσου βελτιώνεται όταν υπάρχει καθορισμένος στόχος θεραπείας
- Ύφεση ή χαμηλή δραστηριότητα νόσου
- **Early treatment and “Tight control” of RA**
- Έναρξη με ΜΤΧ (προοδευτική αύξηση δόσης)
- Συνδυασμός DMARDs
- Αποτελεσματικότητα, Ασφάλεια, Κόστος, Προτίμηση ασθενούς