

I nuovi broncodilatatori nella BPCO



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The scientific rationale for combining long-acting β_2 -agonists and muscarinic antagonists in COPD

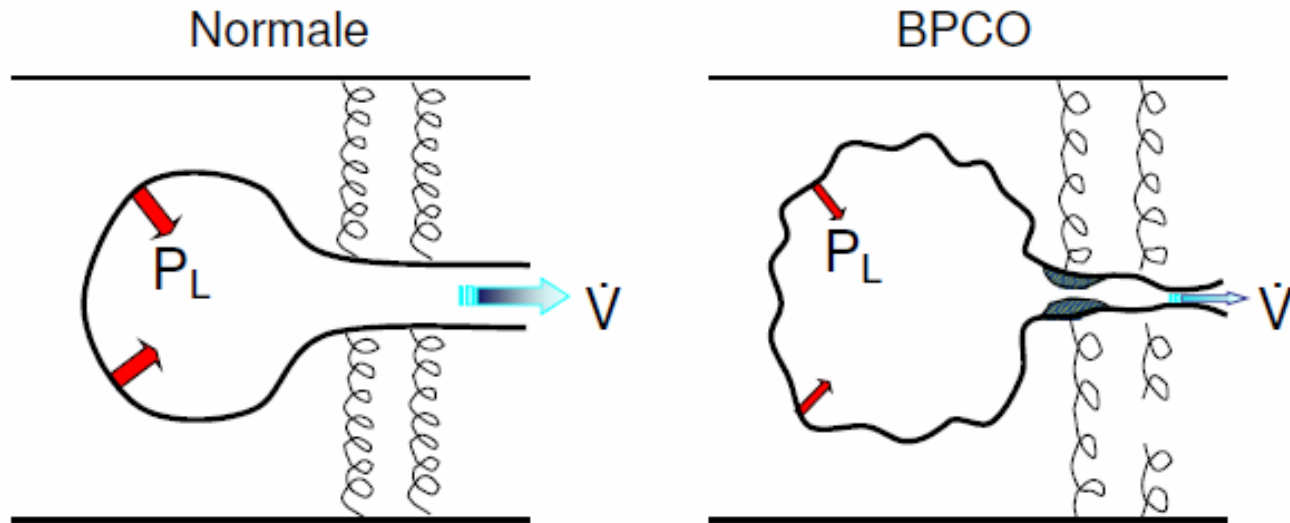
I broncodilatatori sono il cardine della terapia farmacologica per la malattia polmonare ostruttiva cronica (BPCO) e sono raccomandati dalle attuali linee guida nazionali e internazionali come la prima linea della terapia nei pazienti sintomatici e quelli che dimostrano limitazione del flusso aereo.

Managing stable COPD: goals of therapy

Managing Stable COPD: Goals of Therapy

- Relieve dyspnea
 - Improve exercise tolerance
 - Improve health status
- Reduce symptoms
- Prevent disease progression
 - Prevent and treat exacerbations
 - Reduce mortality
- Reduce risk
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Ostruzione al flusso aereo espiratorio



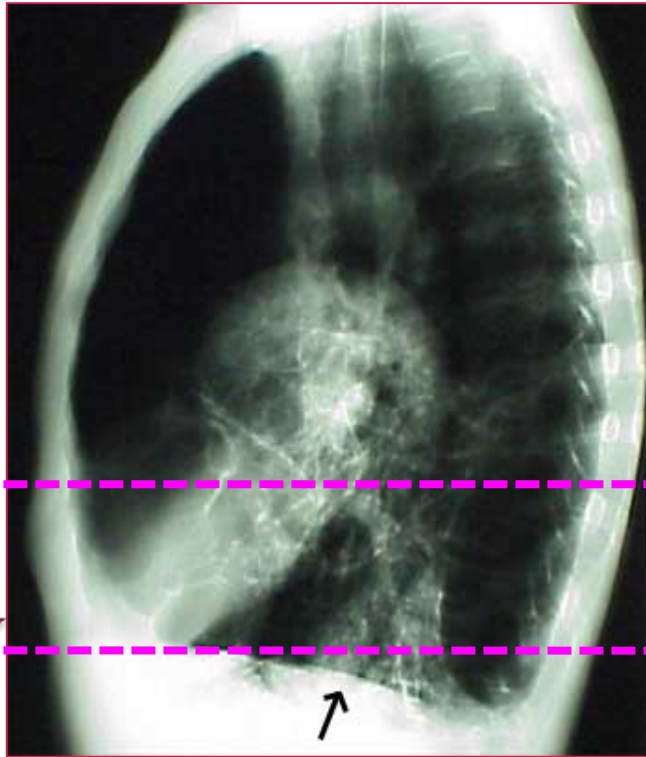
Ipersecrezione di muco
Maggiore tono broncomotore colinergico
Iperreattività bronchiale
Aumento dell'ostruzione bronchiale
(rimodellamento)

Ridotto ritorno elastico
Ridotte connessioni parenchimali
Aumento delle resistenze

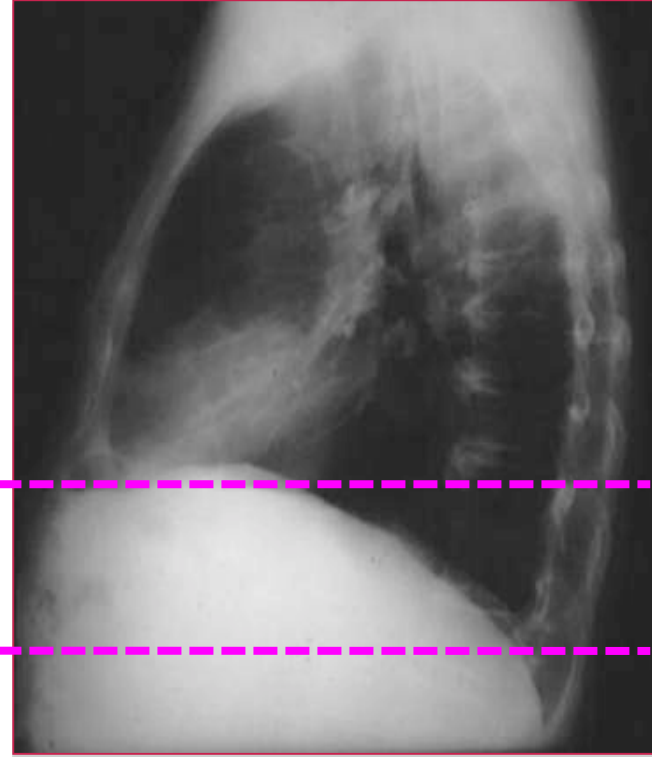
Ostruzione al flusso aereo nella BPCO

il ridotto ritorno elastico determina iperinflazione

BPCO



Normale

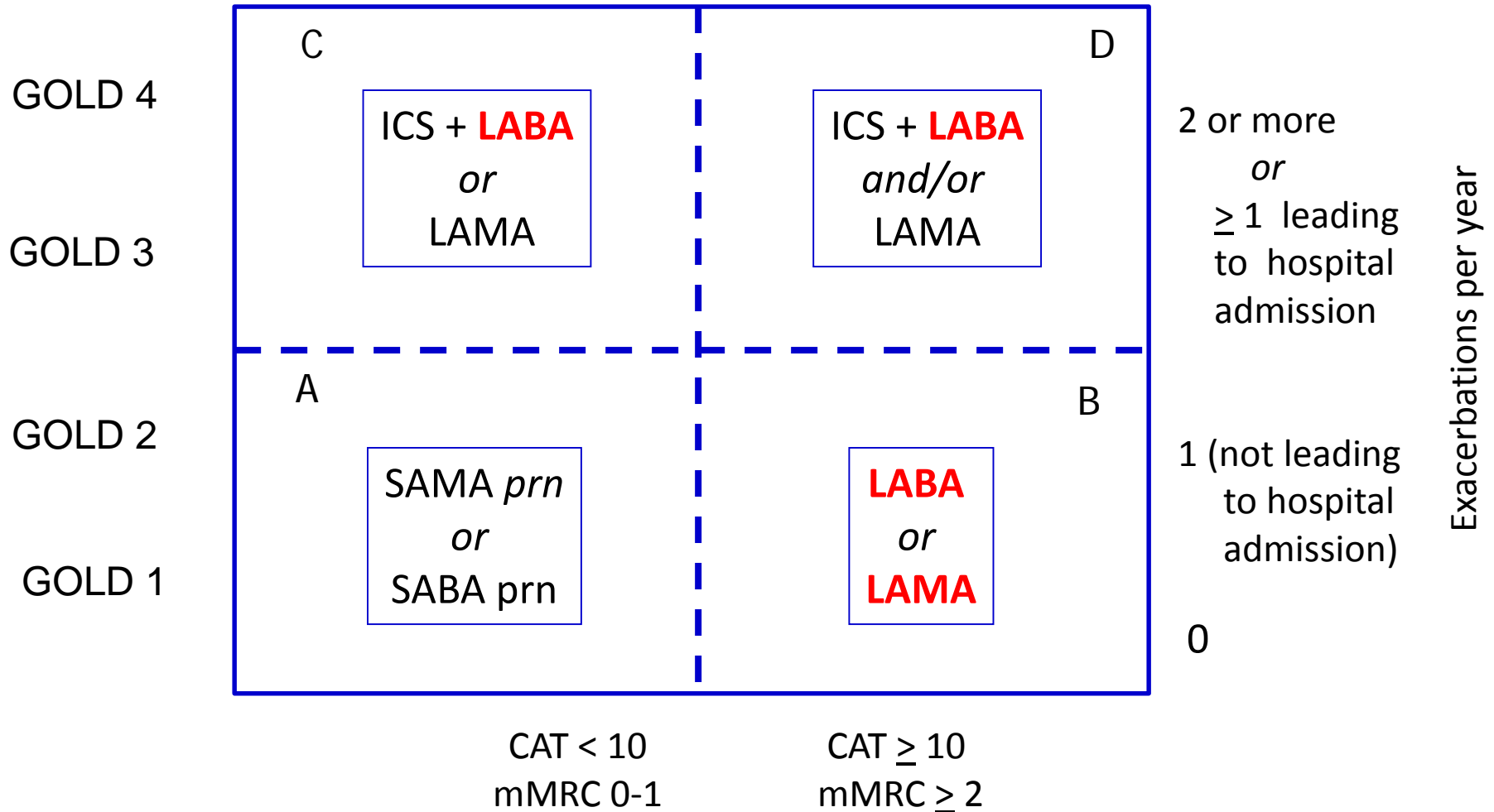


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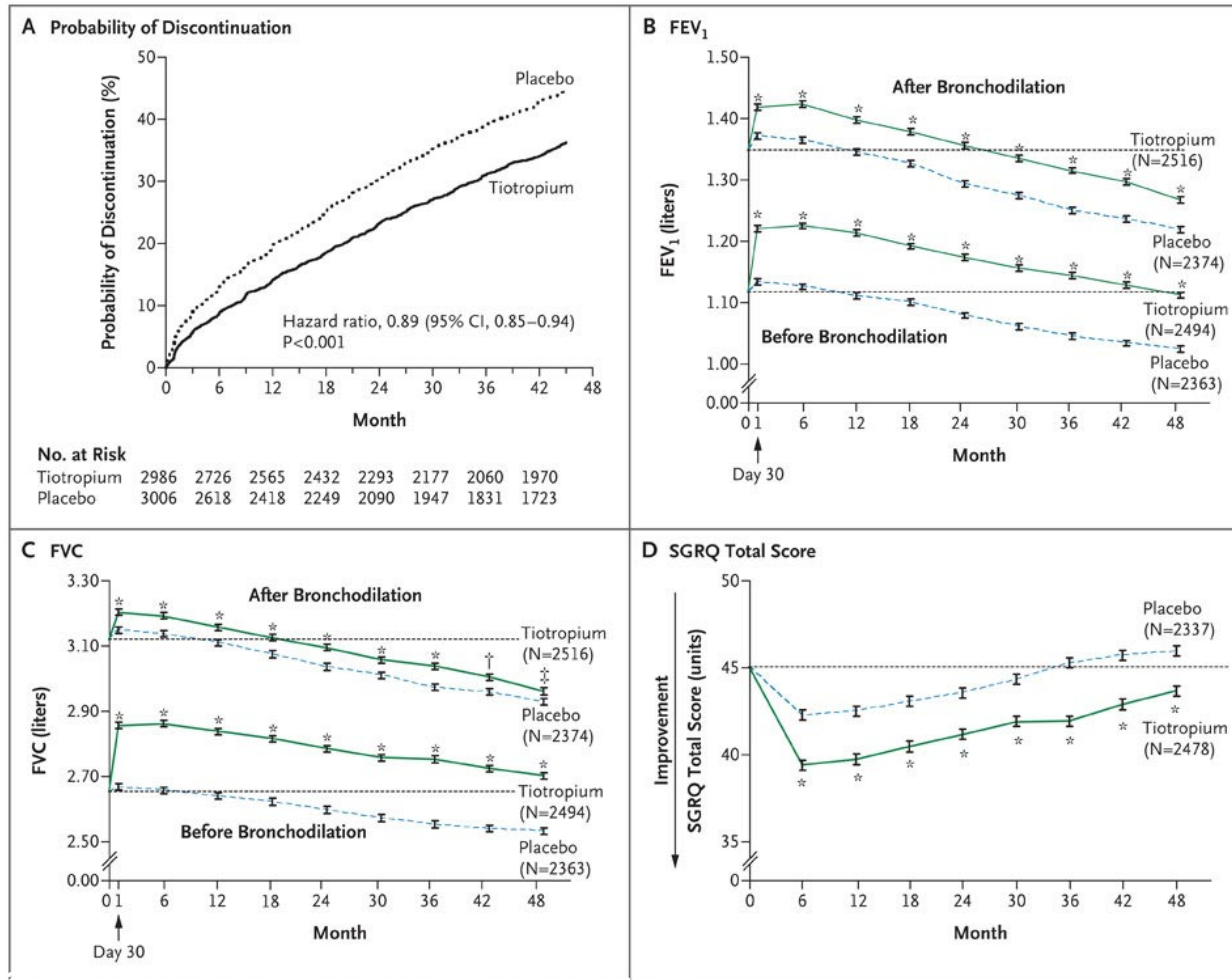
- Alterazione della parete toracica e dei meccanismi diaframmatici
- Lavoro della respirazione ↑

Dispnea ↑

Global Strategy for Diagnosis, Management and Prevention of COPD
 Manage Stable COPD: Pharmacologic Therapy
RECOMMENDED FIRST CHOICE

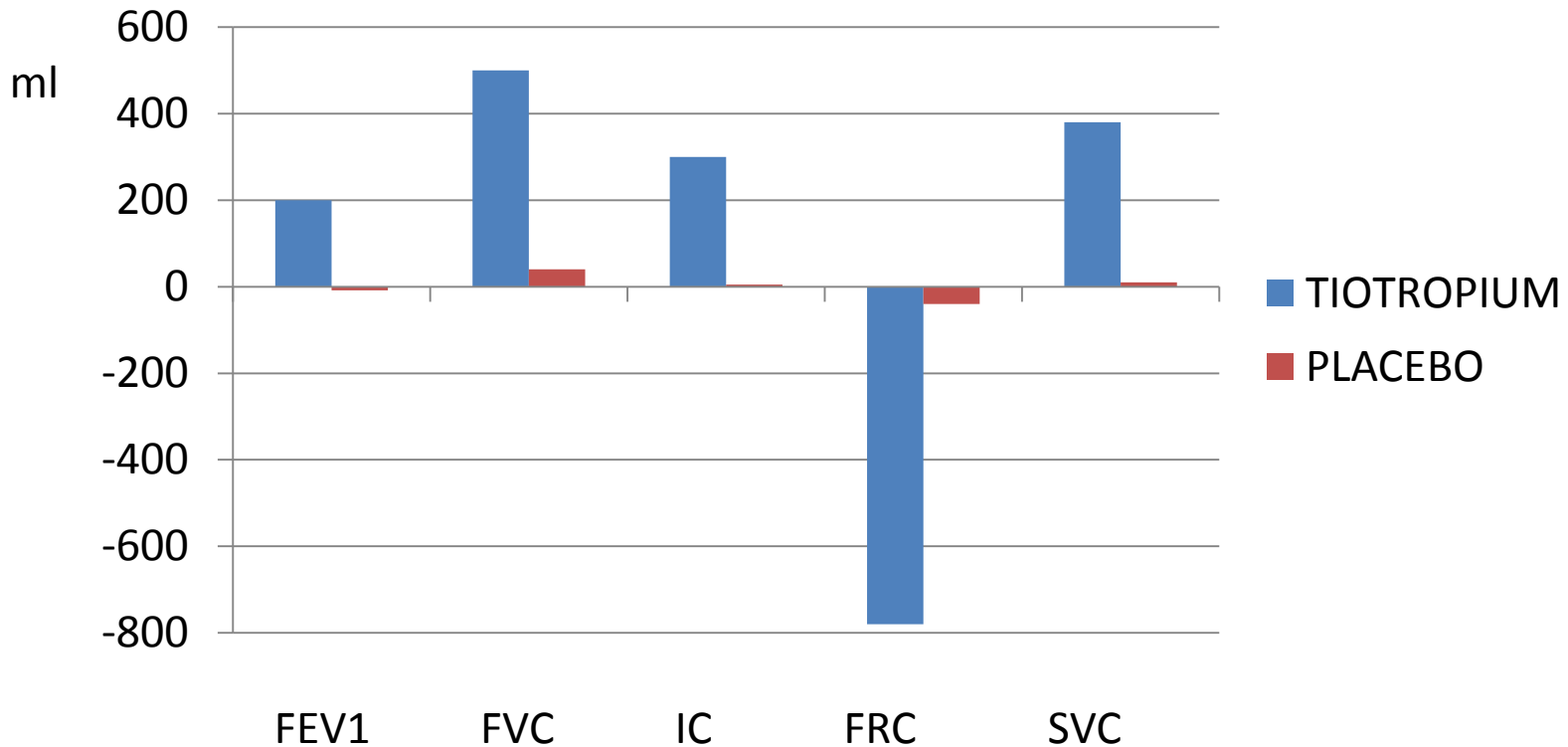


Probability of Treatment Discontinuation, Mean FEV₁ and FVC before and after Bronchodilation, and Scores for Health-Related Quality of Life



Effect of tiotropium on lung volumes

COPD patients: FEV₁ 45% predicted
Lung function 4 weeks after treatment



Changes in lung volumes and spirometry following 4 weeks of treatment with tiotropium or placebo

Efficacy and safety of once-daily NVS237 in patients with Mild to Moderate COPD: the GLOW1 trial.

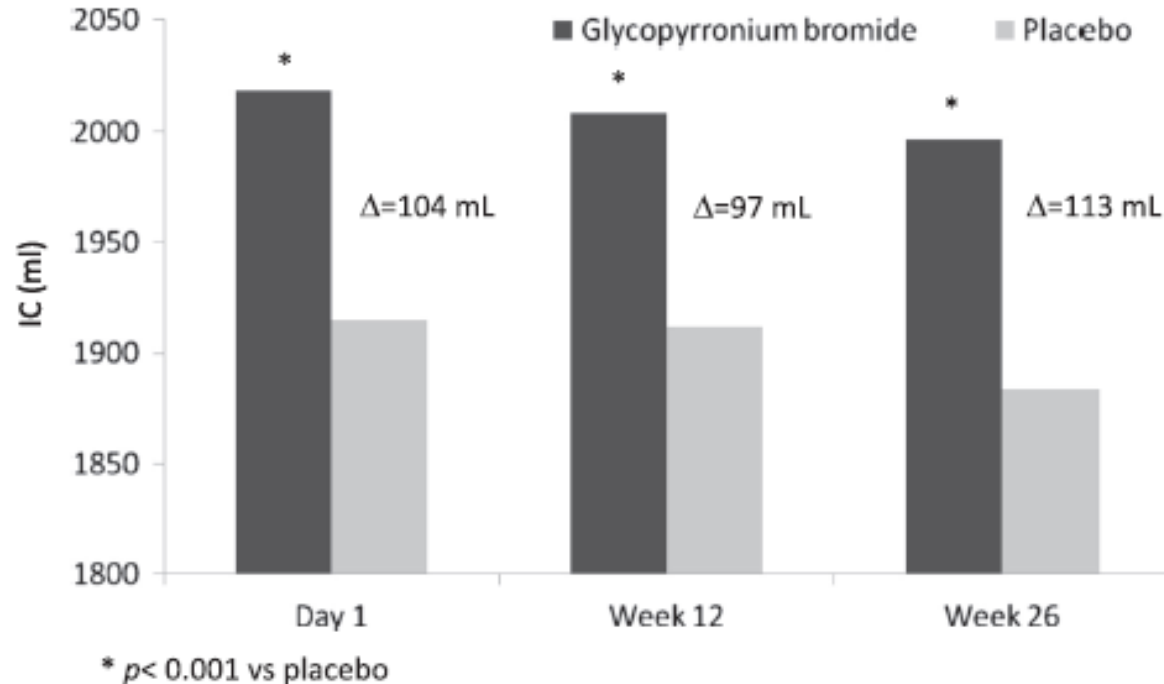


Figure 3 Difference of inspiratory capacity (IC) values between glycopyrronium bromide and placebo at the end of the first day and at 12th and 26th week of therapy before the administration of the active drug or placebo. Δ = Difference between glycopyrronium bromide and placebo.

Aclidinium improves exercise endurance, dyspnea, lung hyperinflation in COPD patients

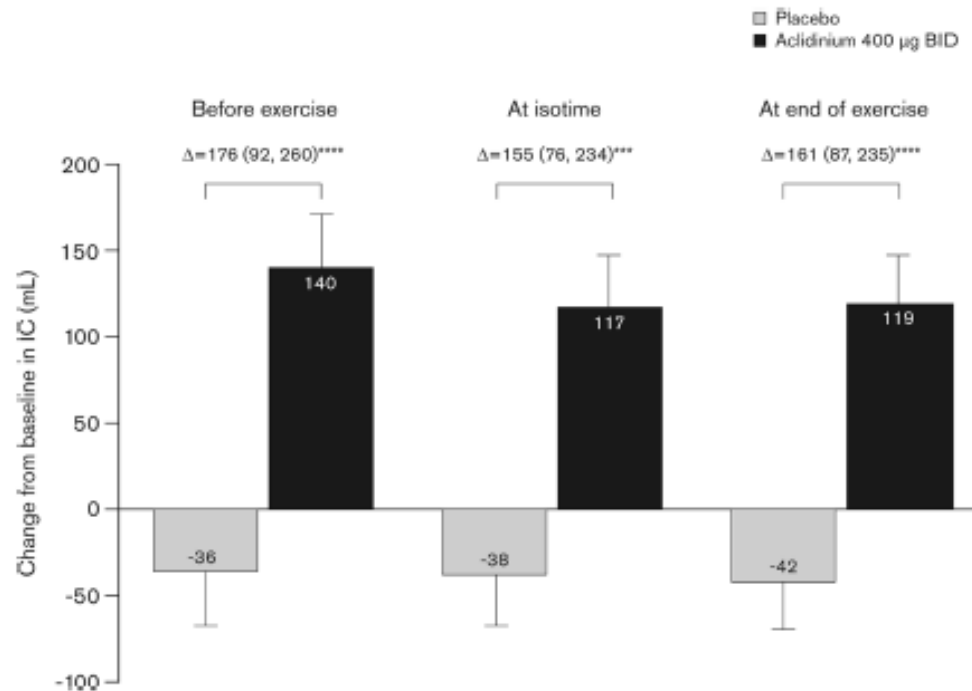


Figure 4 Change from baseline in dynamic IC at end of exercise at Week 3. Change from baseline in dynamic IC measured before exercise, at isotime, and at end of exercise was assessed at Week 3 (ITT population). Data reported as least squares means change from baseline (analysis of covariance) + standard error; Δ = least squares means difference (95% confidence intervals). *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$ versus placebo. BID, twice daily; IC, inspiratory capacity; ITT, intent-to-treat.

Acute effects of indacaterol on lung hyperinflation in moderate COPD: A comparison with tiotropium

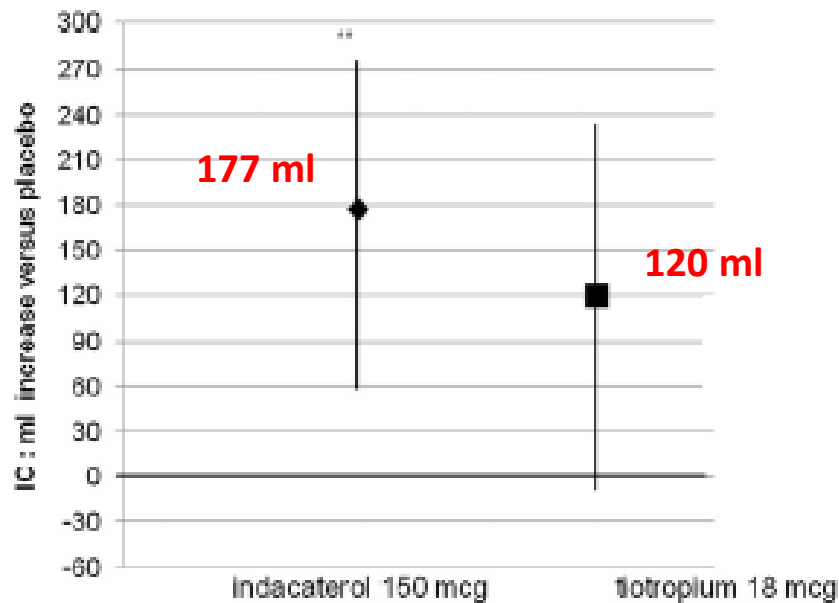


Figure 2 Difference in peak inspiratory capacity (IC). Data are mean \pm 95% CI. ** $p < 0.01$ versus placebo.

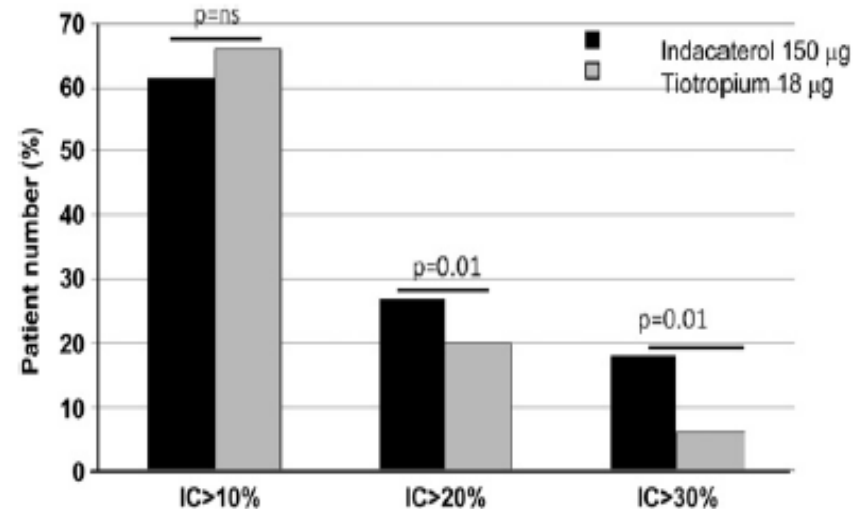


Figure 4 Distribution of patients with significant improvements in inspiratory capacity (IC) over 4 h. P-values denote significant differences between indacaterol and tiotropium.

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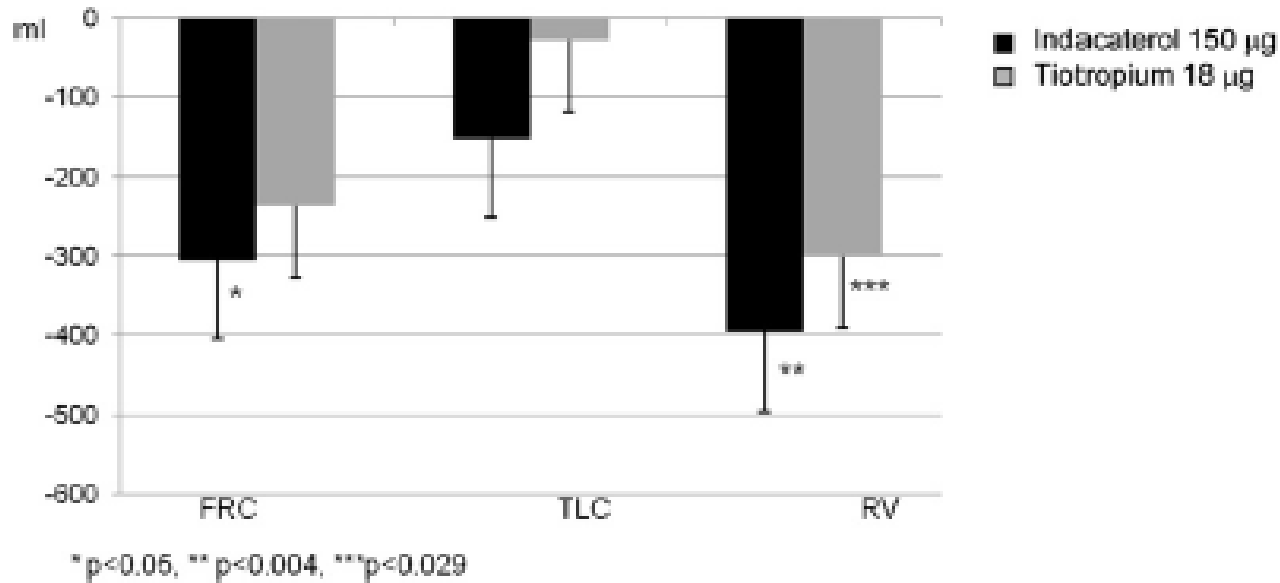
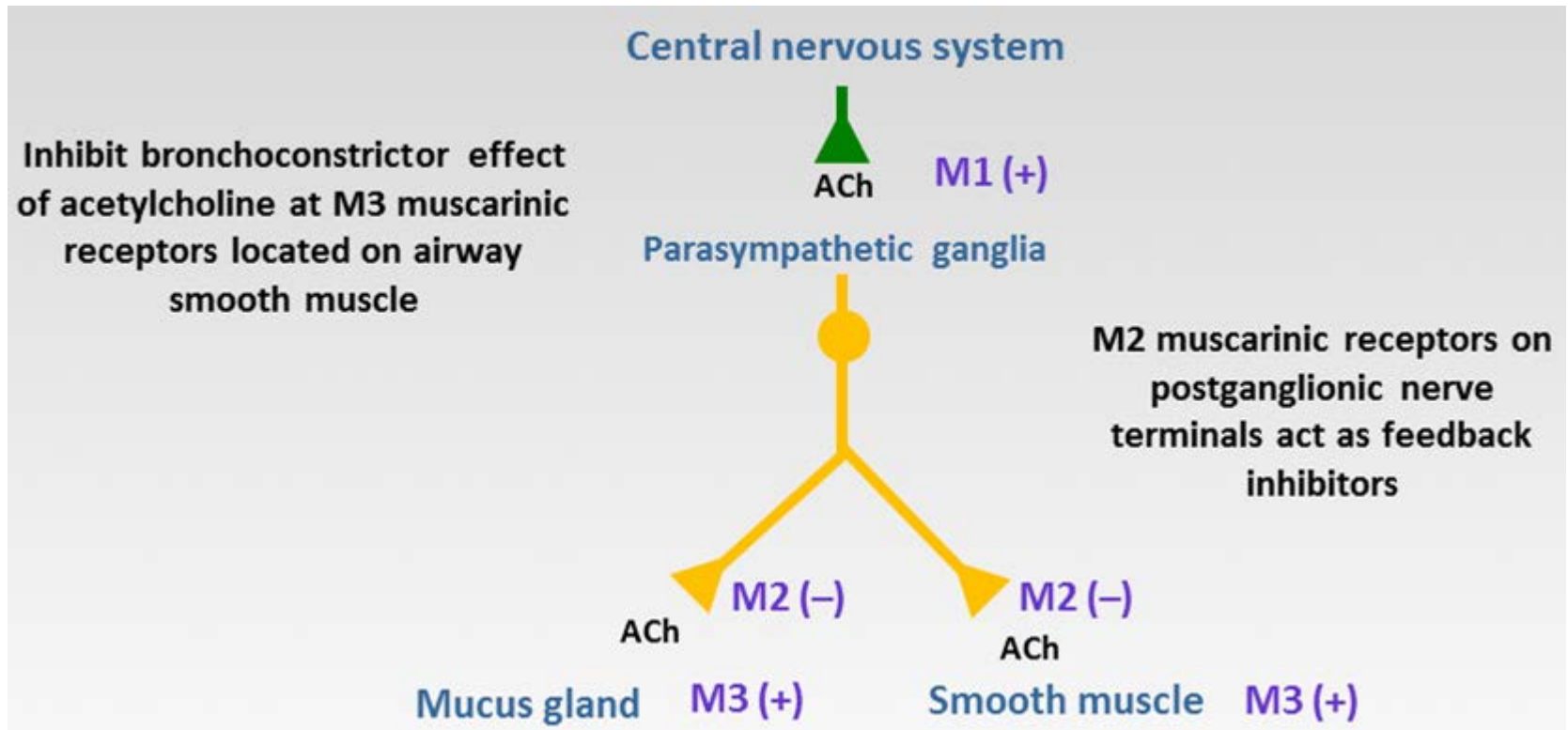


Figure 6 Changes in FRC, TLC and RV at the 4th hours after administration. FRC was decreased compared to pre-dose by 305 ± 100 ml with indacaterol ($p = 0.01$) and by 236 ± 88 ml with tiotropium ($p = 0.053$); TLC by 152 ± 114 ml with indacaterol ($p = 0.208$) and by 28 ± 85 ml with tiotropium ($p = 0.806$); RV by 396 ± 125 ml with indacaterol ($p = 0.004$) and by 301 ± 106 ml with tiotropium ($p = 0.029$). Data are expressed as mean \pm SE.

Rationale for dual bronchodilation

Why combine bronchodilating therapies ?

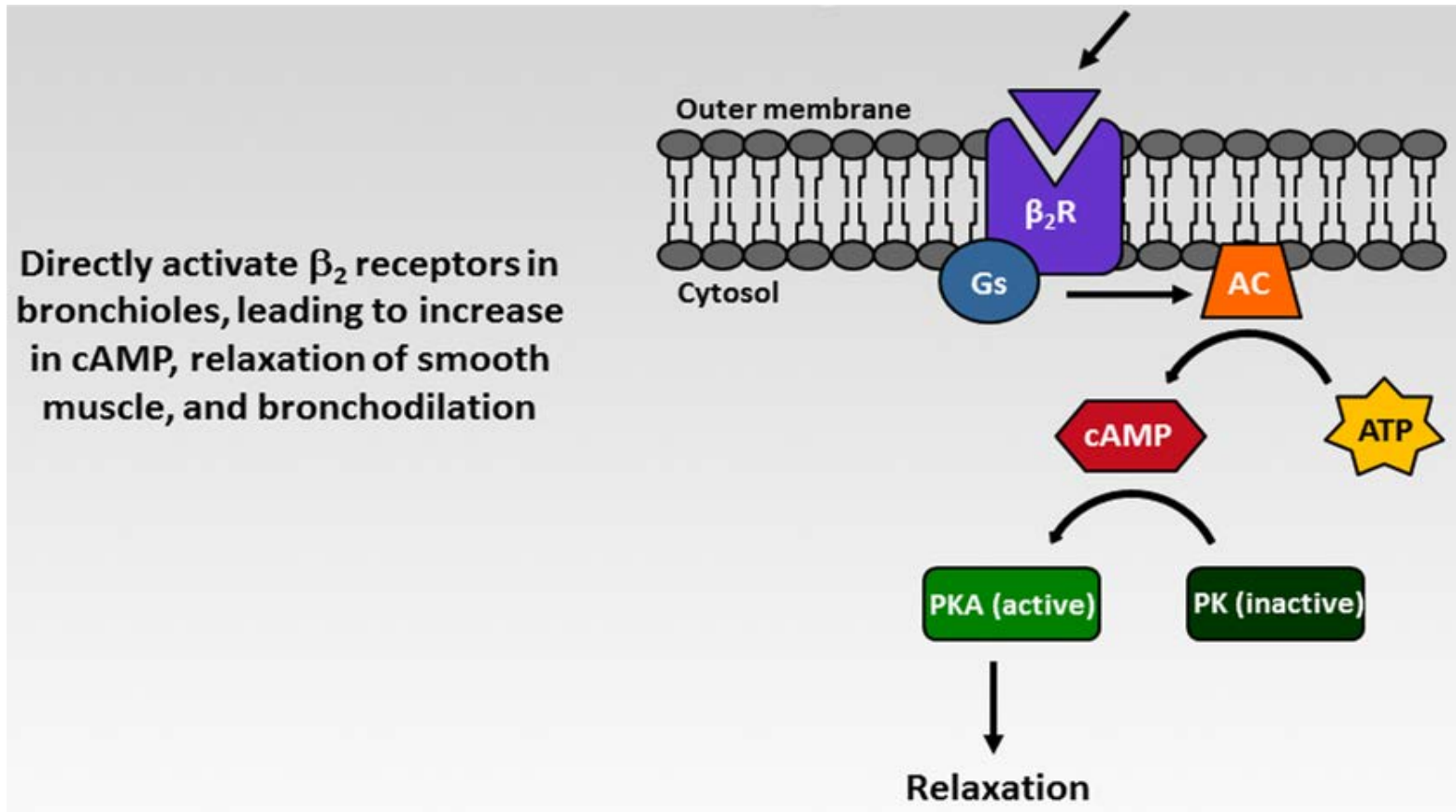
Mechanism of action of muscarinic antagonists



Muscarinic antagonists block M_1 and M_3 receptors to prevent binding of acetylcholine and inhibiting airway smooth muscle contraction.

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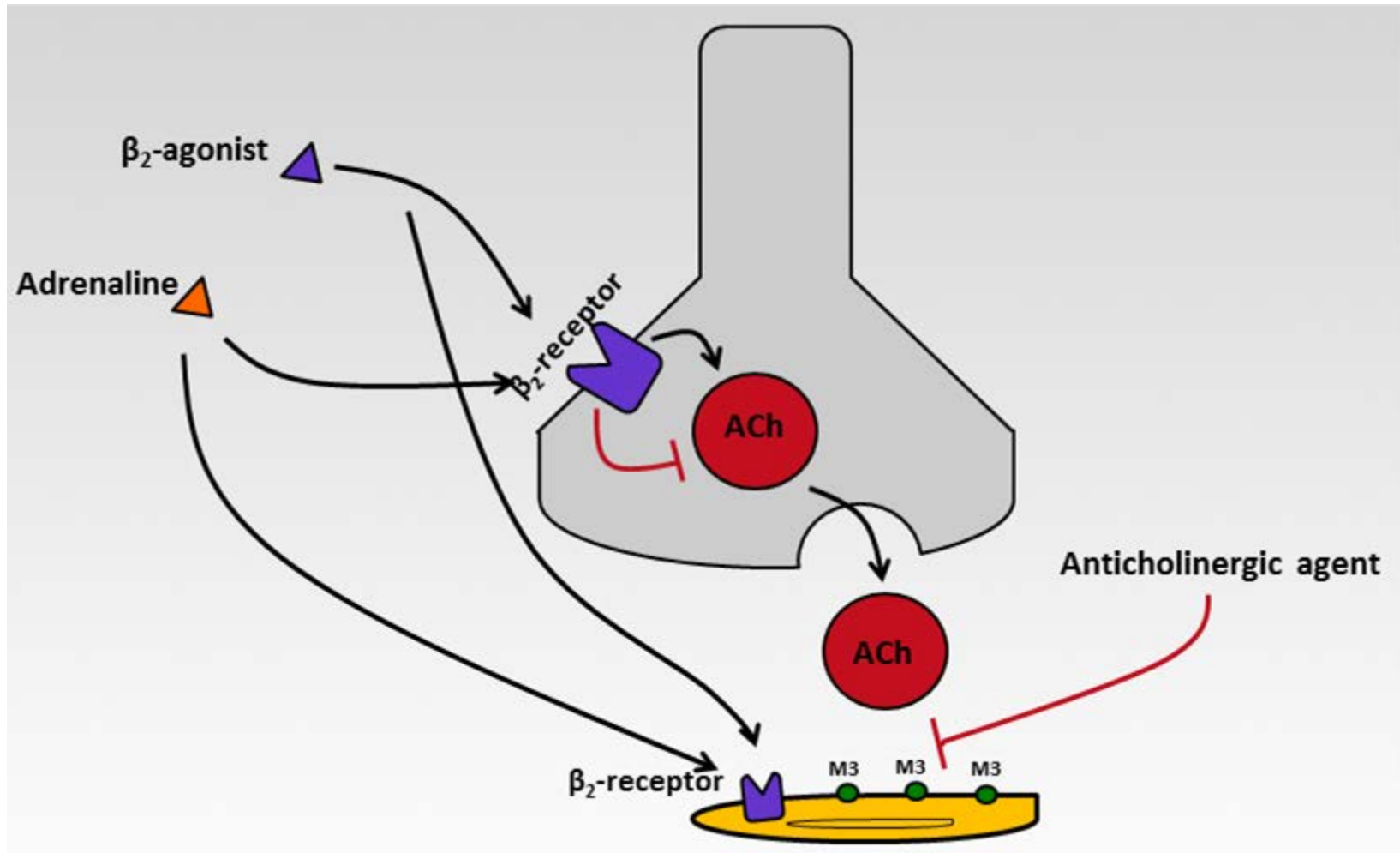
Mechanism of action of β_2 -agonists



AC = adenylyate cyclase; ATP = adenosine triphosphate; β_2R = β_2 receptor; cAMP = cyclic adenosine monophosphate; PKA = protein kinase A

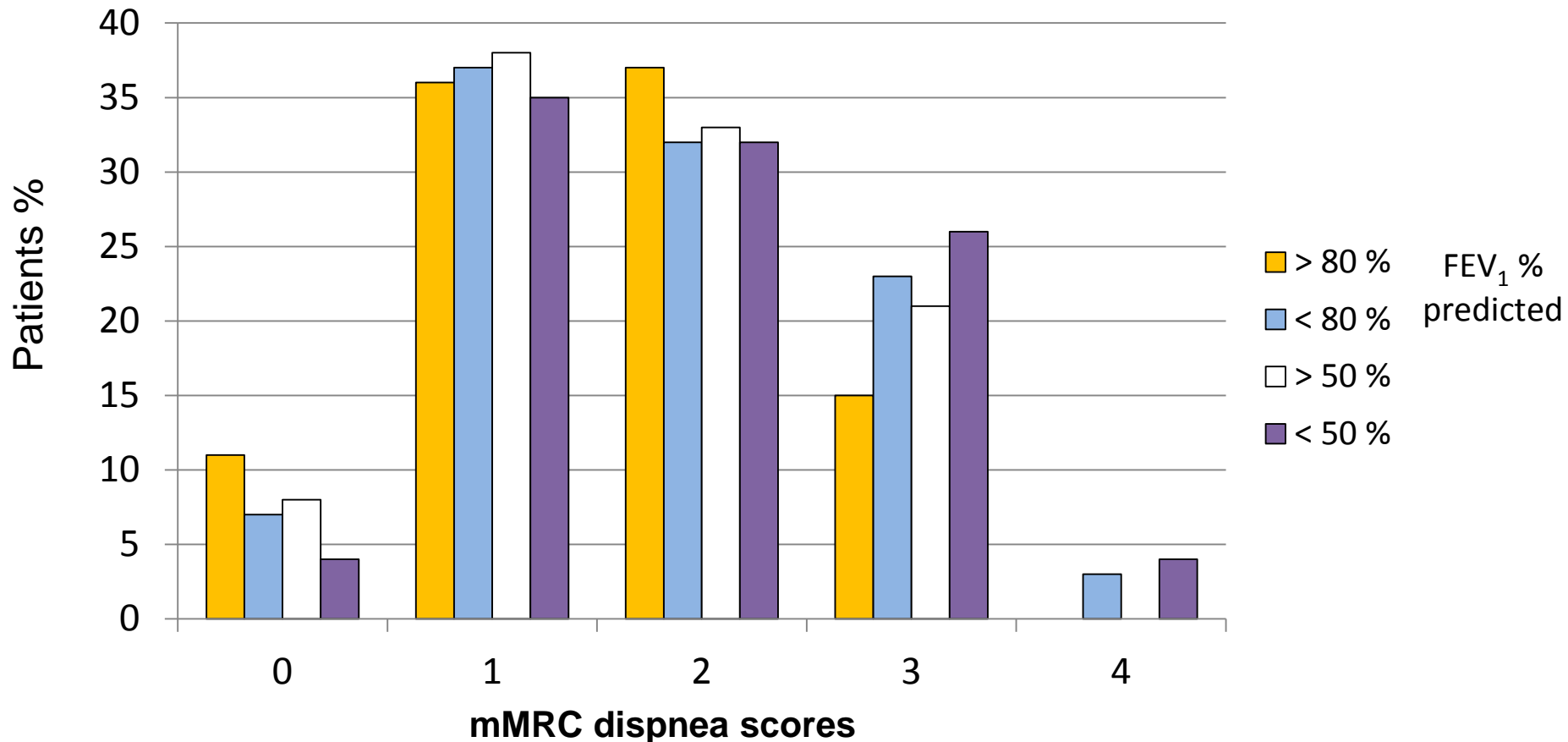
Johnson M. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med*. 1998;158(5 Pt 3):S146-153.

LABA/LAMA combination: interaction between Receptors and Neurotransmission pathways



Real world study: patients can still be breathless with long acting bronchodilator monotherapy

mMRC dyspnoea scores in the FEV₁/FVC ≤0.70 group by Post-bronchodilator FEV₁ % predicted (n = 689)



LABA/LAMA combination therapy

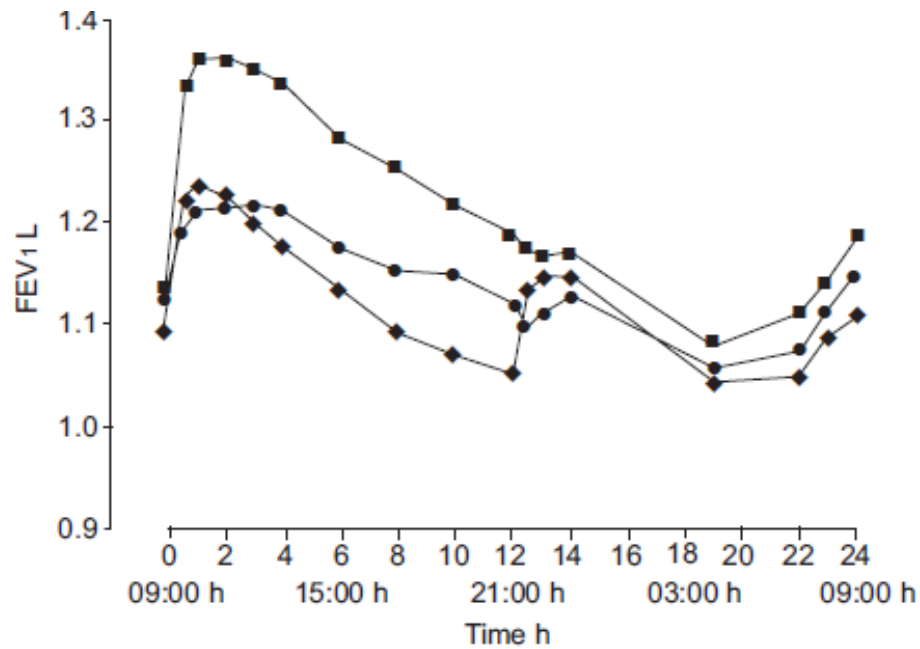


FIGURE 2. Mean forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV₁; adjusted for period, centre and patient within centre) before and during 24 h after the inhalation of tiotropium *q.d.* (●), formoterol *b.i.d.* (◆), and tiotropium plus formoterol *q.d.* (■) at the end of the 6-week treatment periods.

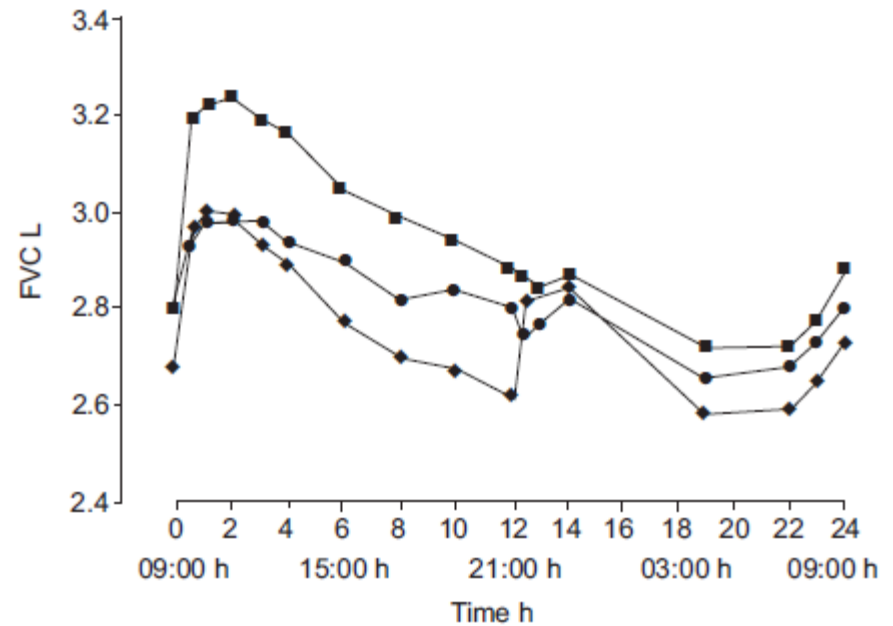
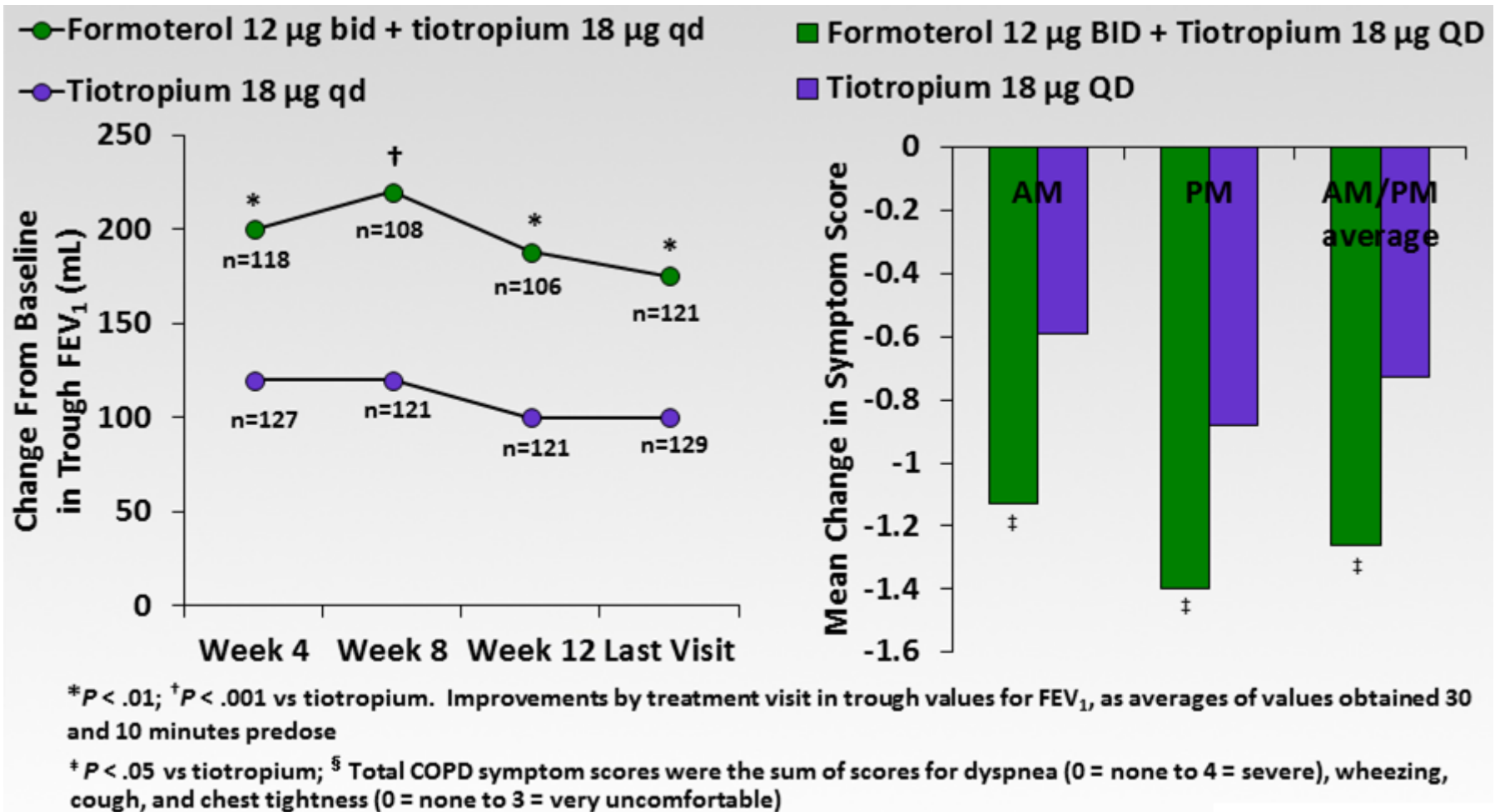


FIGURE 3. Mean forced vital capacity (FVC; adjusted for period, centre and patient within centre) before and during 24 h after inhalation of tiotropium *q.d.* (●), formoterol *b.i.d.* (◆), and tiotropium plus formoterol *q.d.* (■) at the end of the 6-week treatment periods.

LABA/LAMA combination: improved lung function and symptoms vs LAMA alone



Available and emerging bronchodilators for COPD

Agents

- **LABAs (twice daily)**
 - formoterol
 - salmeterol
- **LAMAs (twice daily)**
 - aclidinium
- **LABAs (once daily)**
 - indacaterol
 - olodanterol
 - vilanterol
- **LAMAs (once daily)**
 - glycopyrronium
 - tiotropium
 - umeclidinium

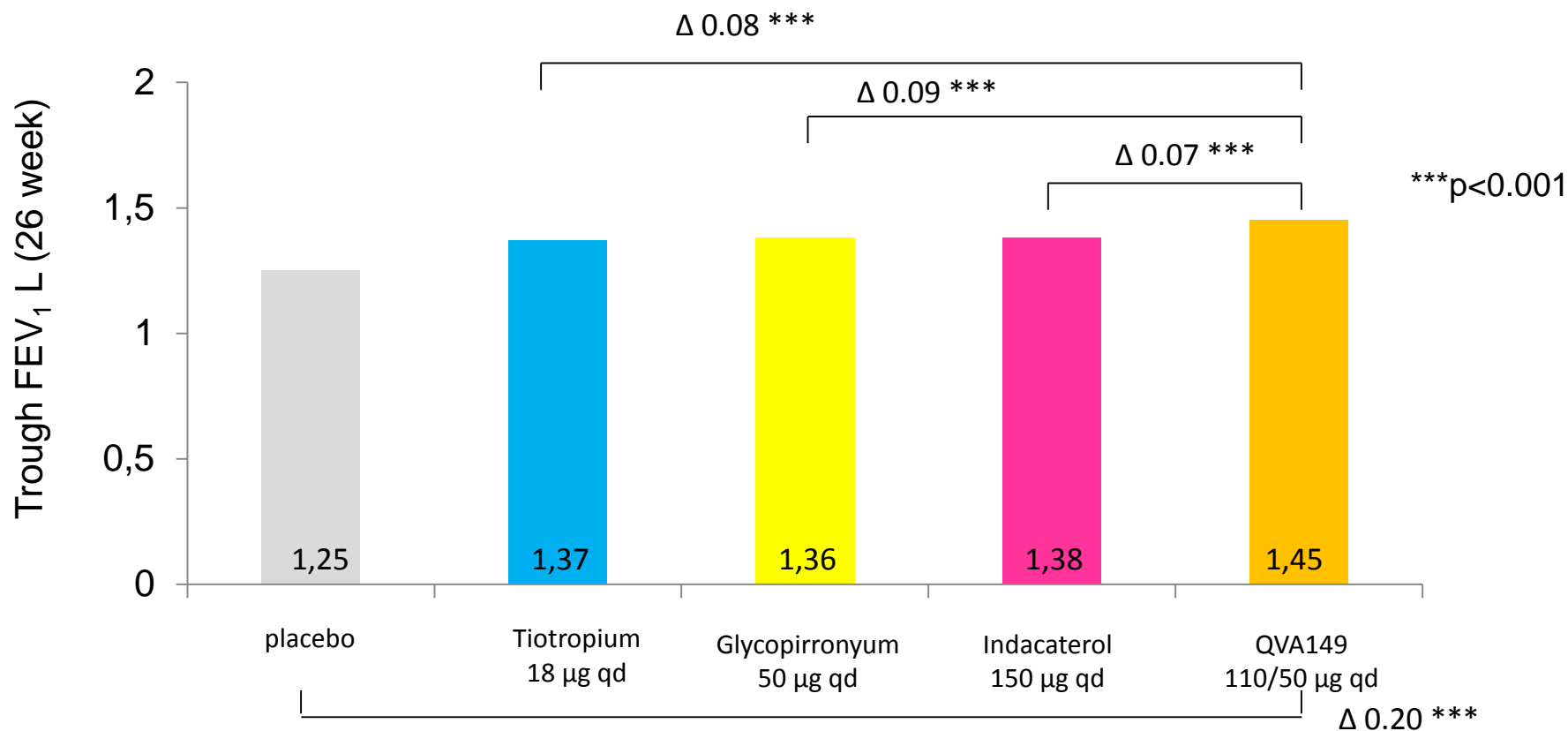
LABA/LAMA combinations

- **Once daily**
 - indacaterol/glycopyrronium
 - vilanterol/umeclidinium
 - olodaterol/tiotropium
- **Twice daily**
 - formoterol/aclidinium
 - formoterol/glycopyrrolate*

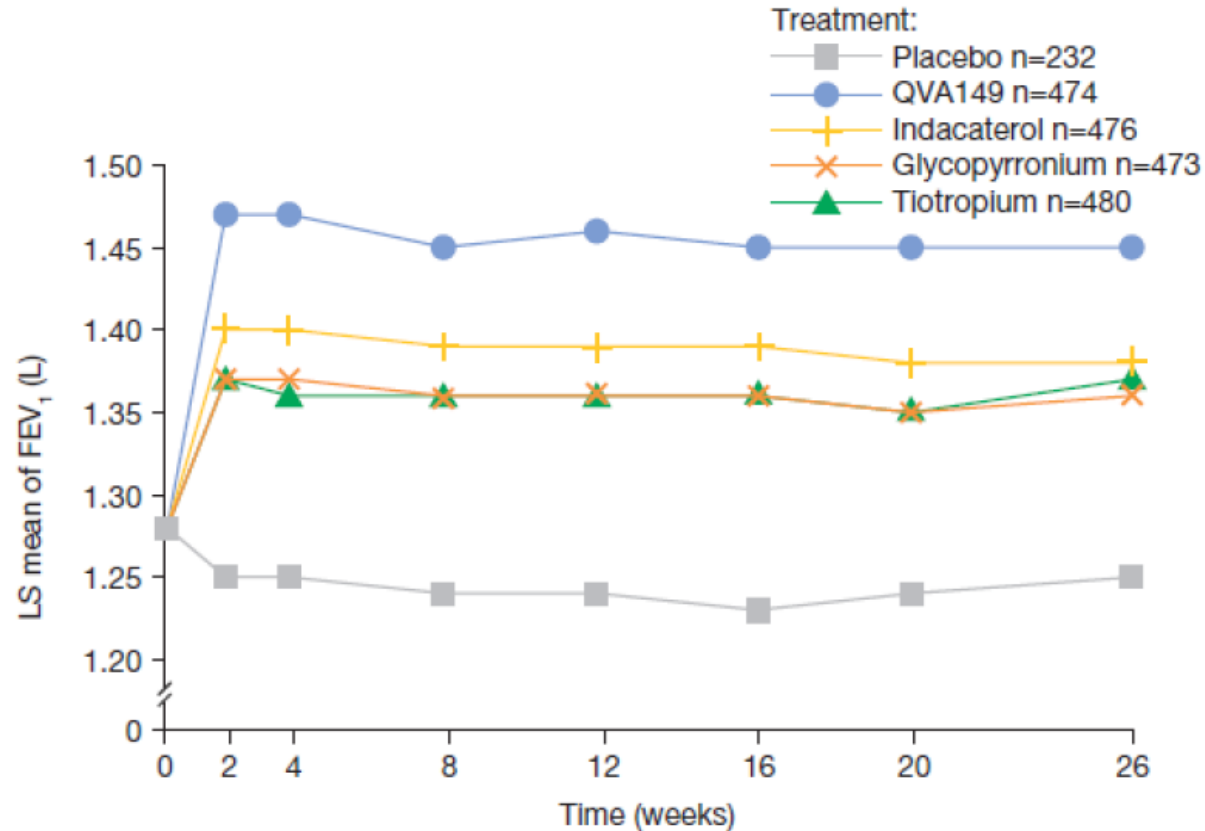
* under investigation in Europe

Improved lung function with QVA 149 (glycopyrronium plus indacaterol) versus monotherapy and placebo

SHINE: 26-week randomized, controlled study in patients with moderate to severe COPD (n= 2144).



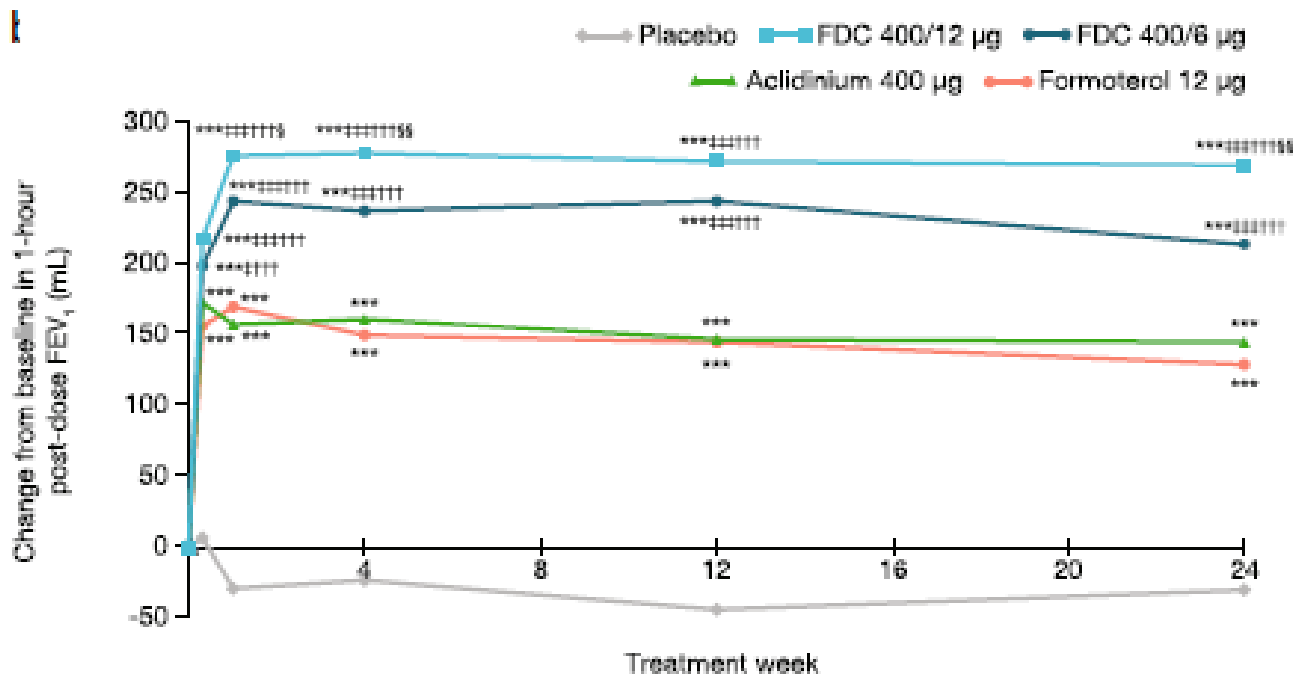
Dual bronchodilation with QVA149: the SHINE study



QVA149 was superior to all active treatments and placebo at all time points (all $p < 0.001$).

- 2/3 of the subjects moderate;
- 80% no exacerbations
- entry SGRQ >40

Efficacy and safety of acclidinium/formoterol fixed-dose combinations compared with individual components and placebo in patients with COPD (ACLIFORM-COPD)

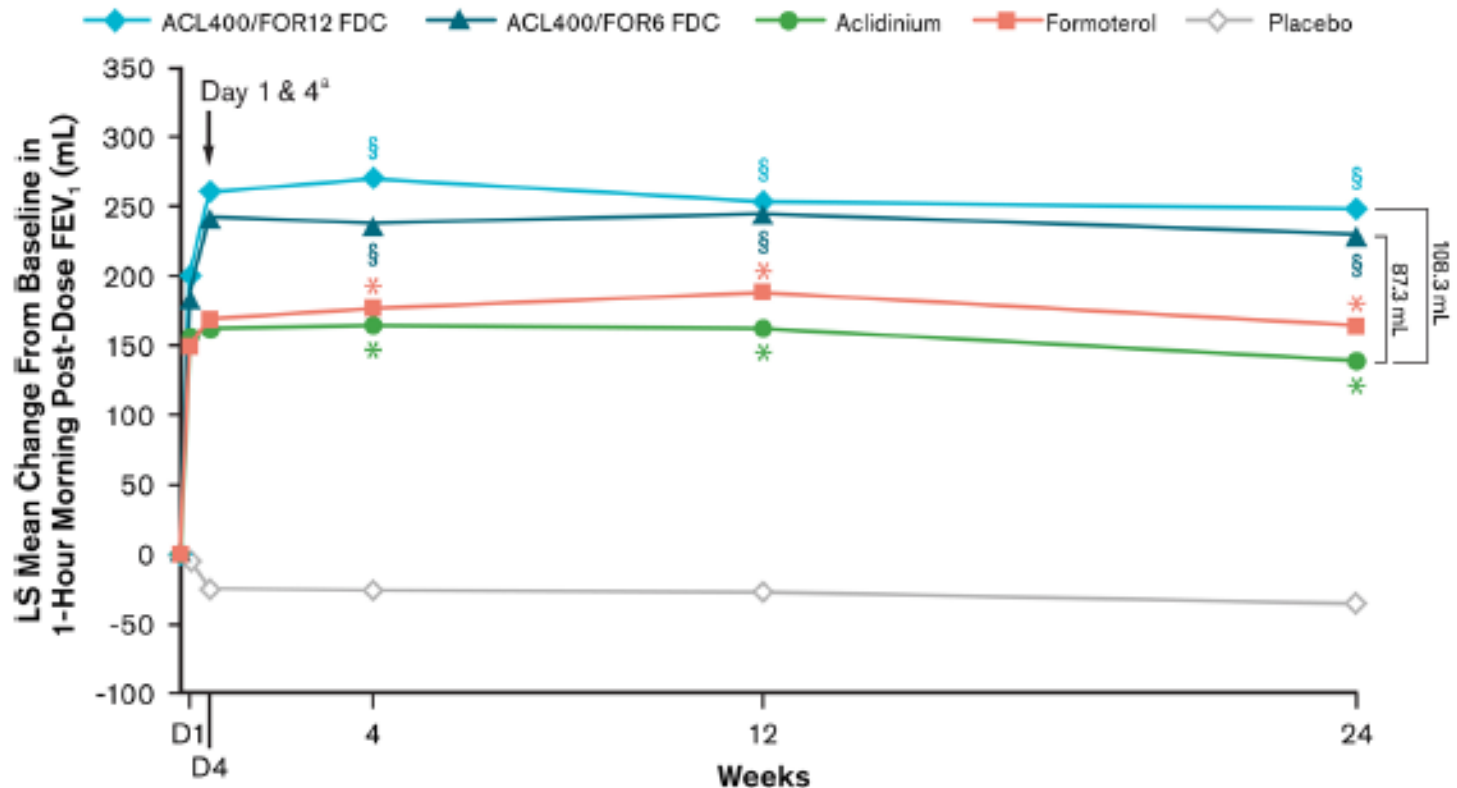


Mean treatment differences for change from baseline in 1-hour **post-dose** FEV₁

***p < 0.001 vs placebo; † p < 0.05; ††† p < 0.001 vs acclidinium;

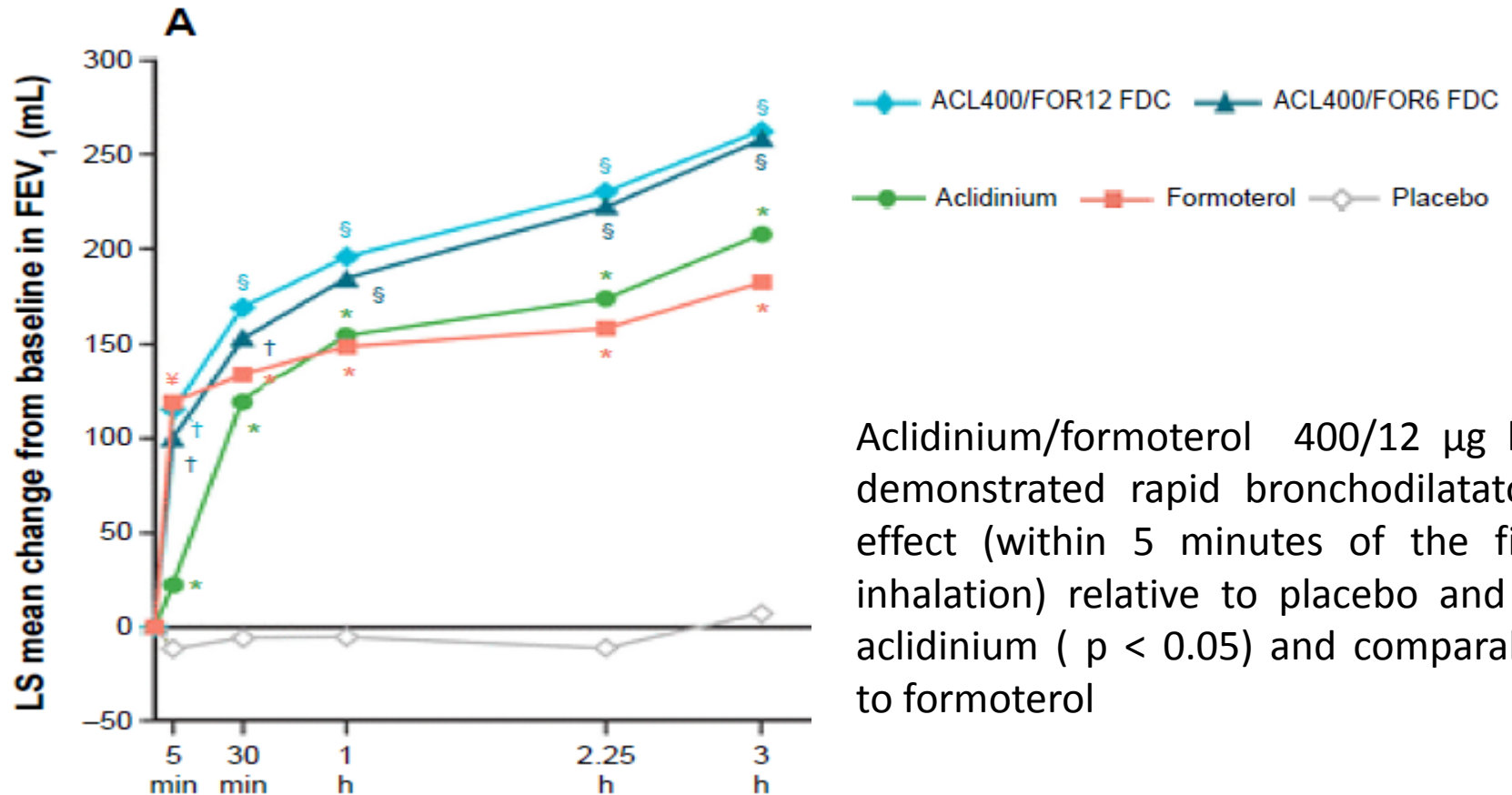
††† p < 0.001 vs formoterol; § p < 0.05; §§ p < 0.01 vs FDC 400/6 µg.

Efficacy and safety of fixed-dose combinations of acclidinium bromide/formoterol fumarate: the 24-week, randomized, placebo-controlled AUGMENT COPD study



*p < 0.05 versus placebo; §p < 0.05 versus acclidinium, formoterol, and placebo

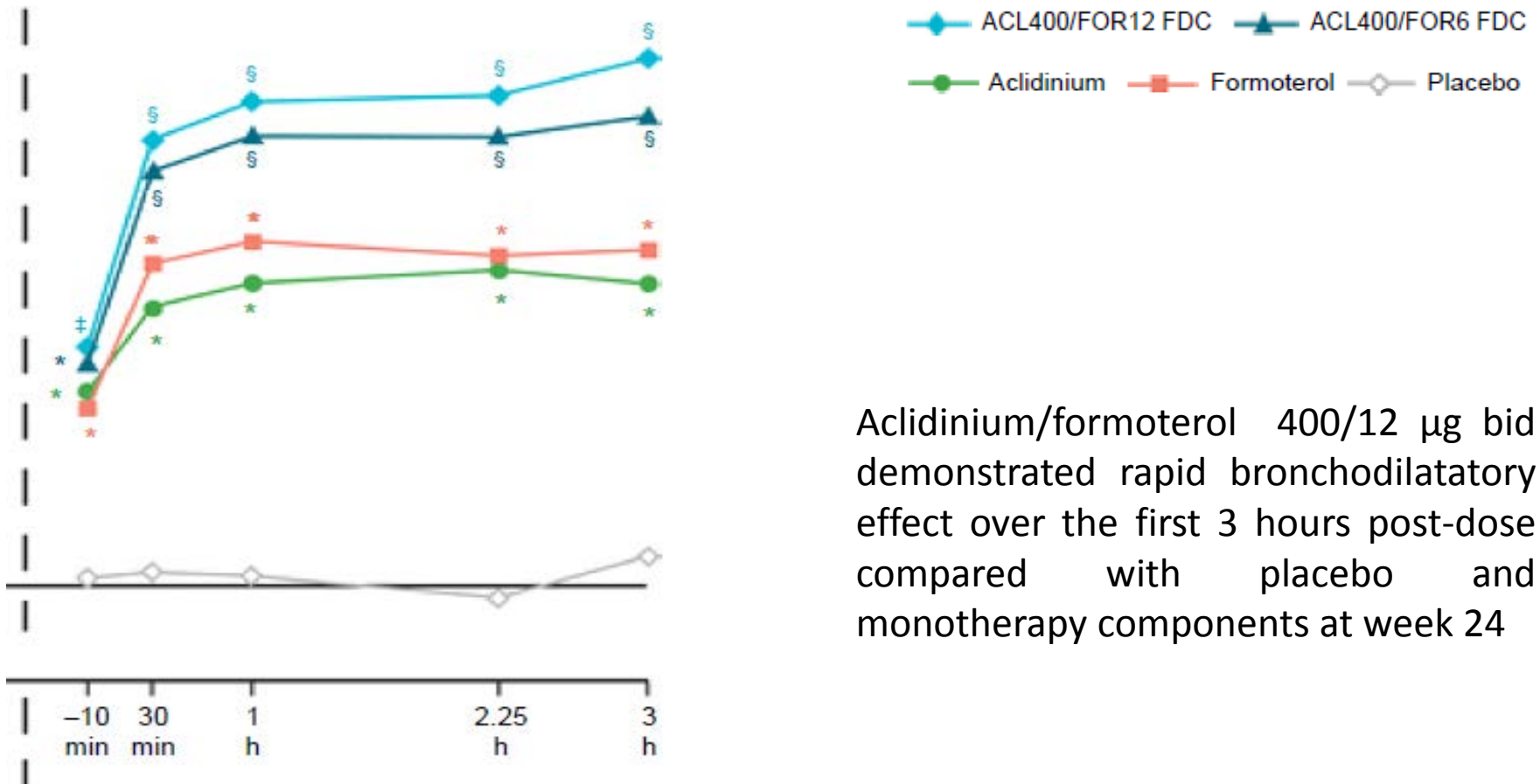
Acridinium/formoterol: FEV₁ improvement on Day 1



Acridinium/formoterol 400/12 µg bid demonstrated rapid bronchodilatory effect (within 5 minutes of the first inhalation) relative to placebo and to acridinium ($p < 0.05$) and comparable to formoterol

* $P < 0.05$ vs placebo; † $P < 0.05$ vs acridinium and placebo; § $P < 0.05$ vs acridinium, formoterol, and placebo; ¥ $P < 0.05$ vs acridinium/formoterol FDC 400/6 µg and placebo

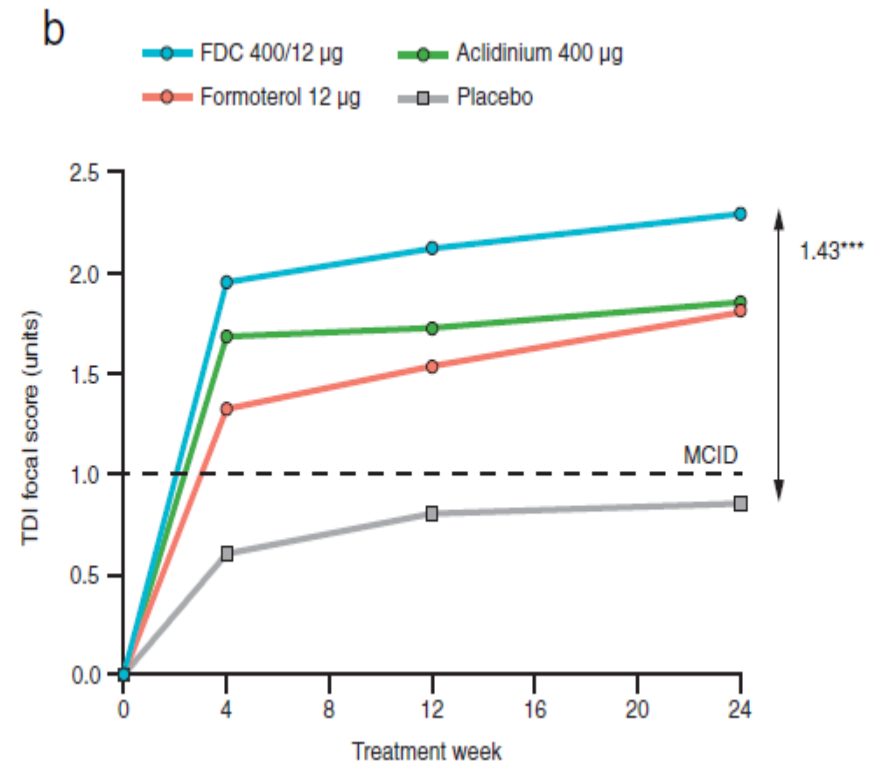
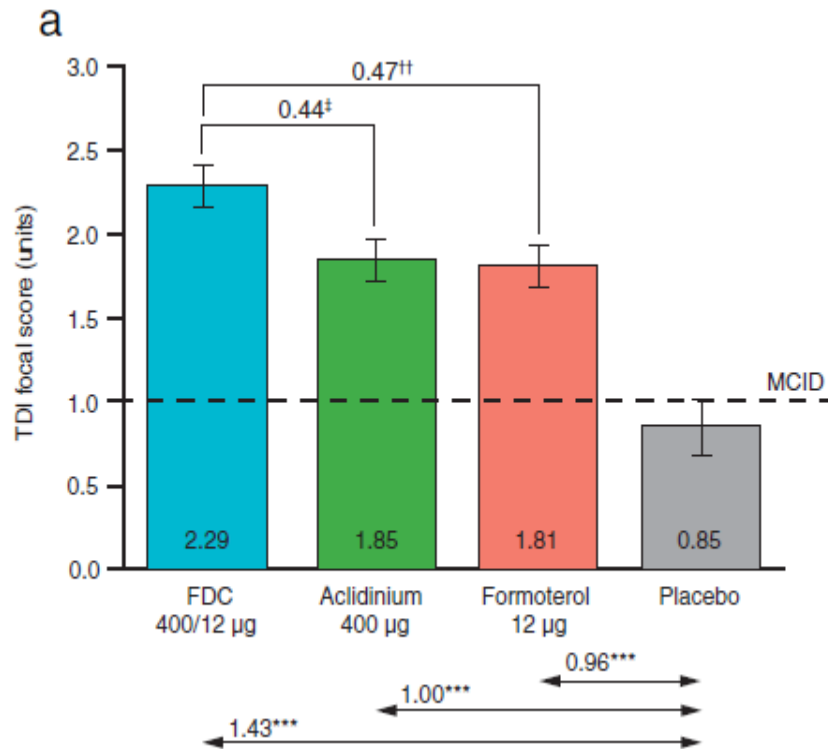
Acclidinium/formoterol: FEV₁ improvement at week 24



Acclidinium/formoterol 400/12 µg bid demonstrated rapid bronchodilatory effect over the first 3 hours post-dose compared with placebo and monotherapy components at week 24

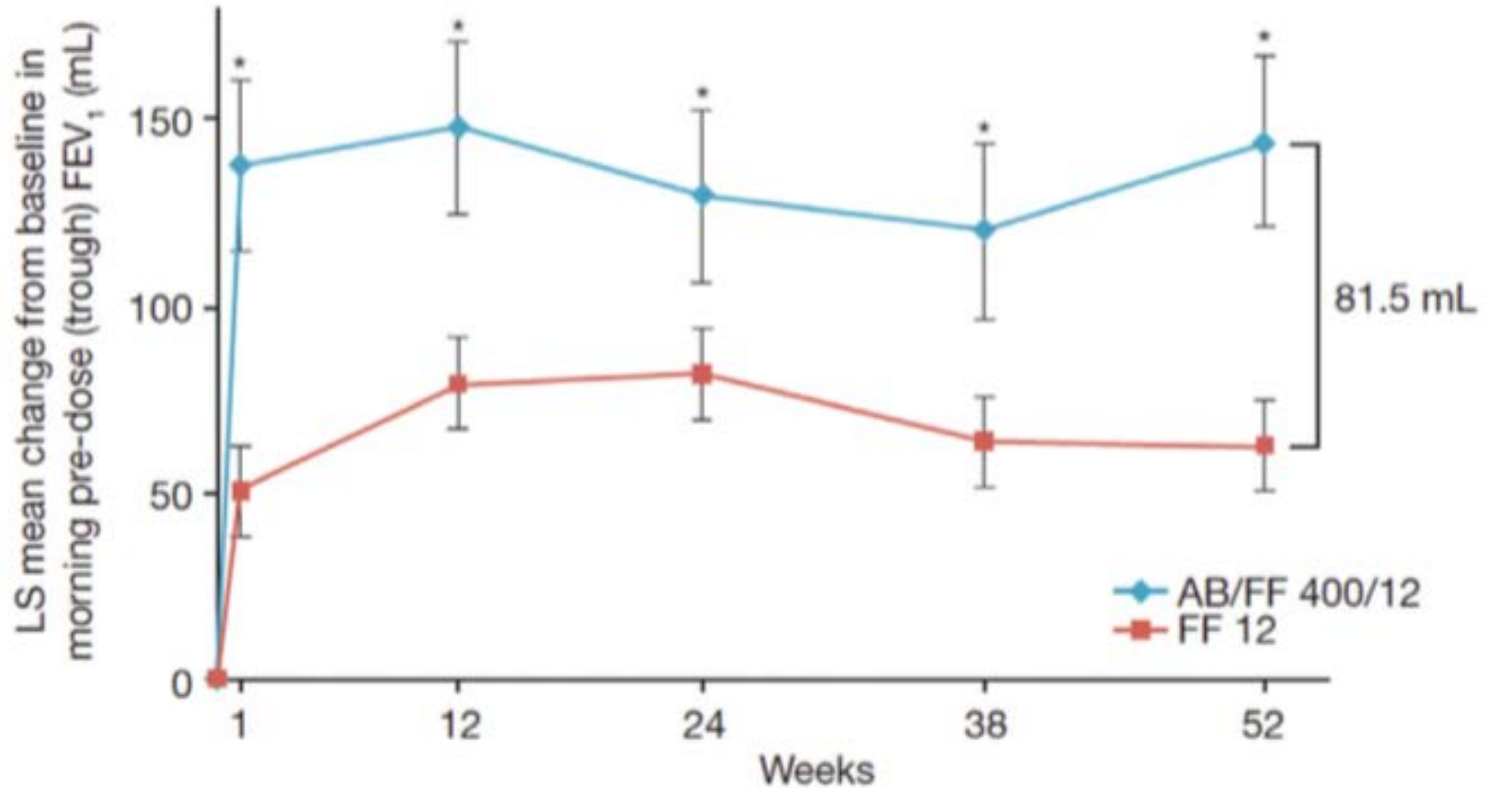
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Pooled Analysis: Improvement in TDI focal score at Week 24 and over 24 weeks



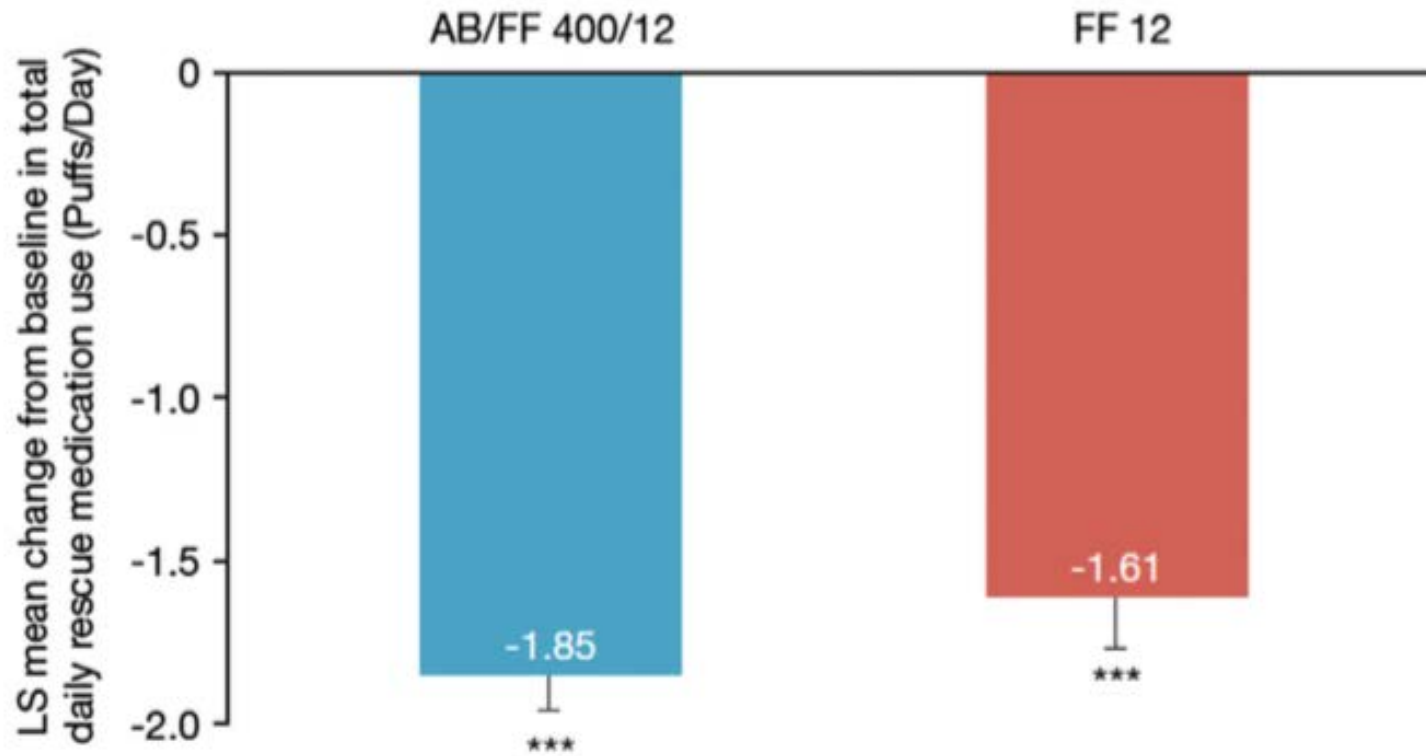
FDC 400/12 µg vs placebo	p<0.001	p<0.001	p<0.001
FDC 400/12 µg vs acclidinium 400 µg	ns	p<0.05	p<0.05
FDC 400/12 µg vs formoterol 12 µg	p<0.001	p<0.001	p<0.01
Acclidinium 400 µg vs placebo	p<0.001	p<0.001	p<0.001
Formoterol 12 µg vs placebo	p<0.001	p<0.001	p<0.001

Long-term safety of acclidinium bromide/formoterol fumarate fixed-dose combination: Results of a randomized 1-year trial in patients with COPD



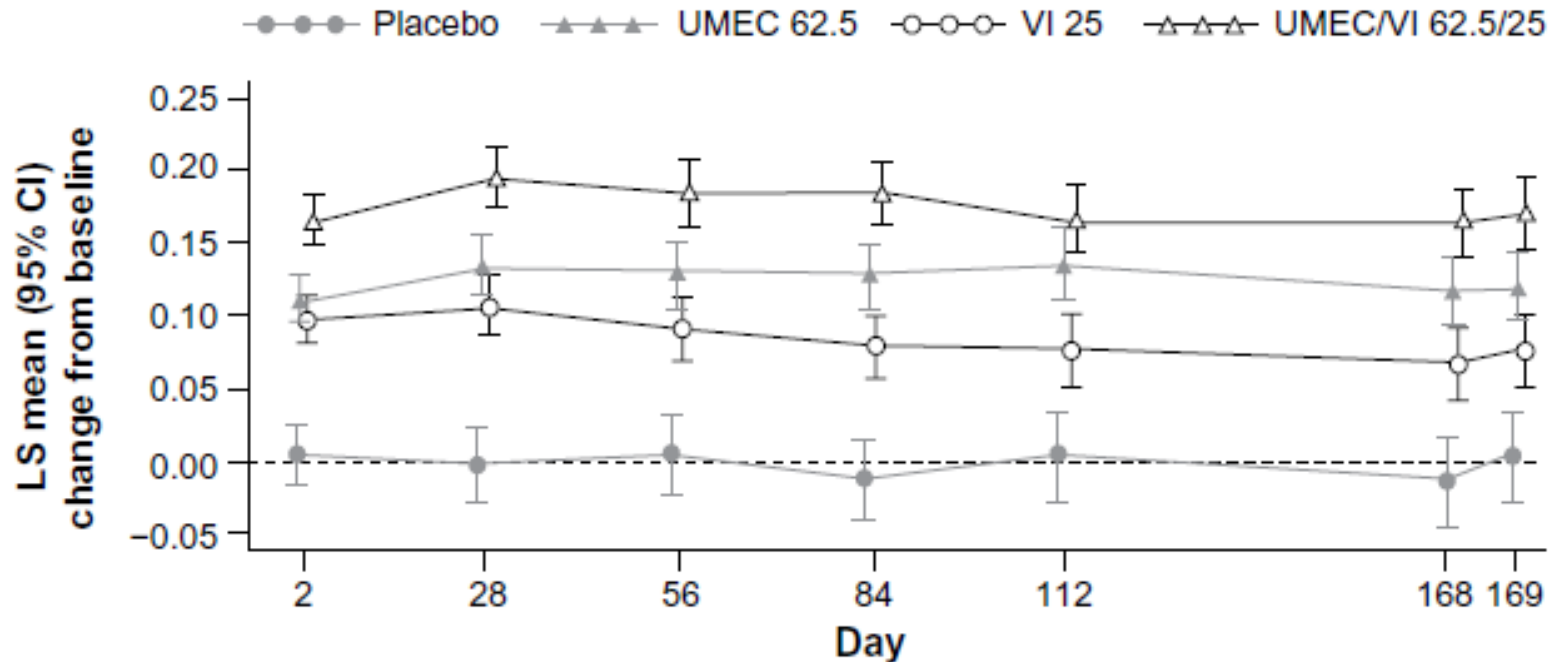
*p < 0.05 vs formoterol 12 mg

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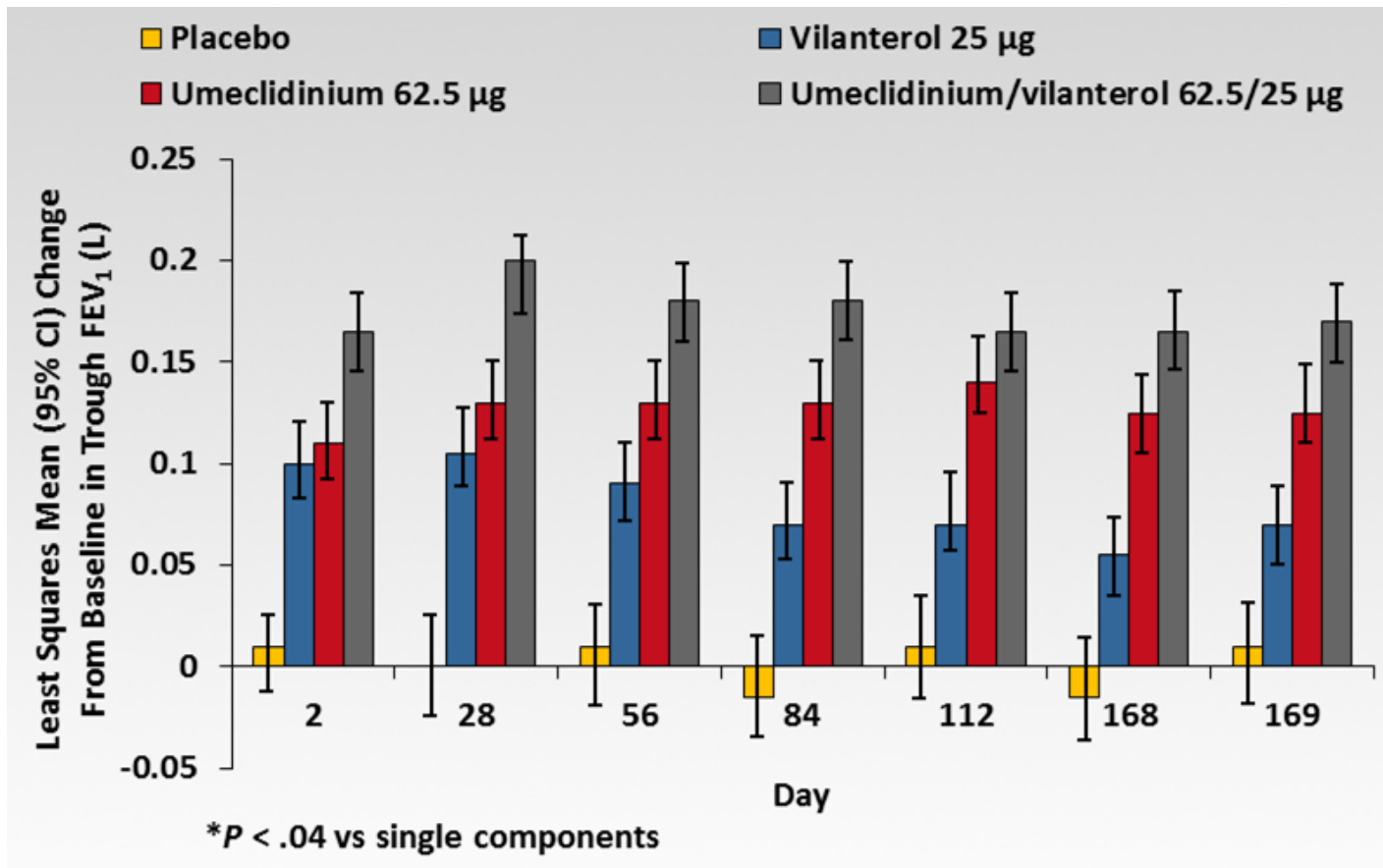
***p < 0.0001 vs baseline

Efficacy and safety of once daily umeclidinium/vilanterol 62.5/25 mcg in COPD

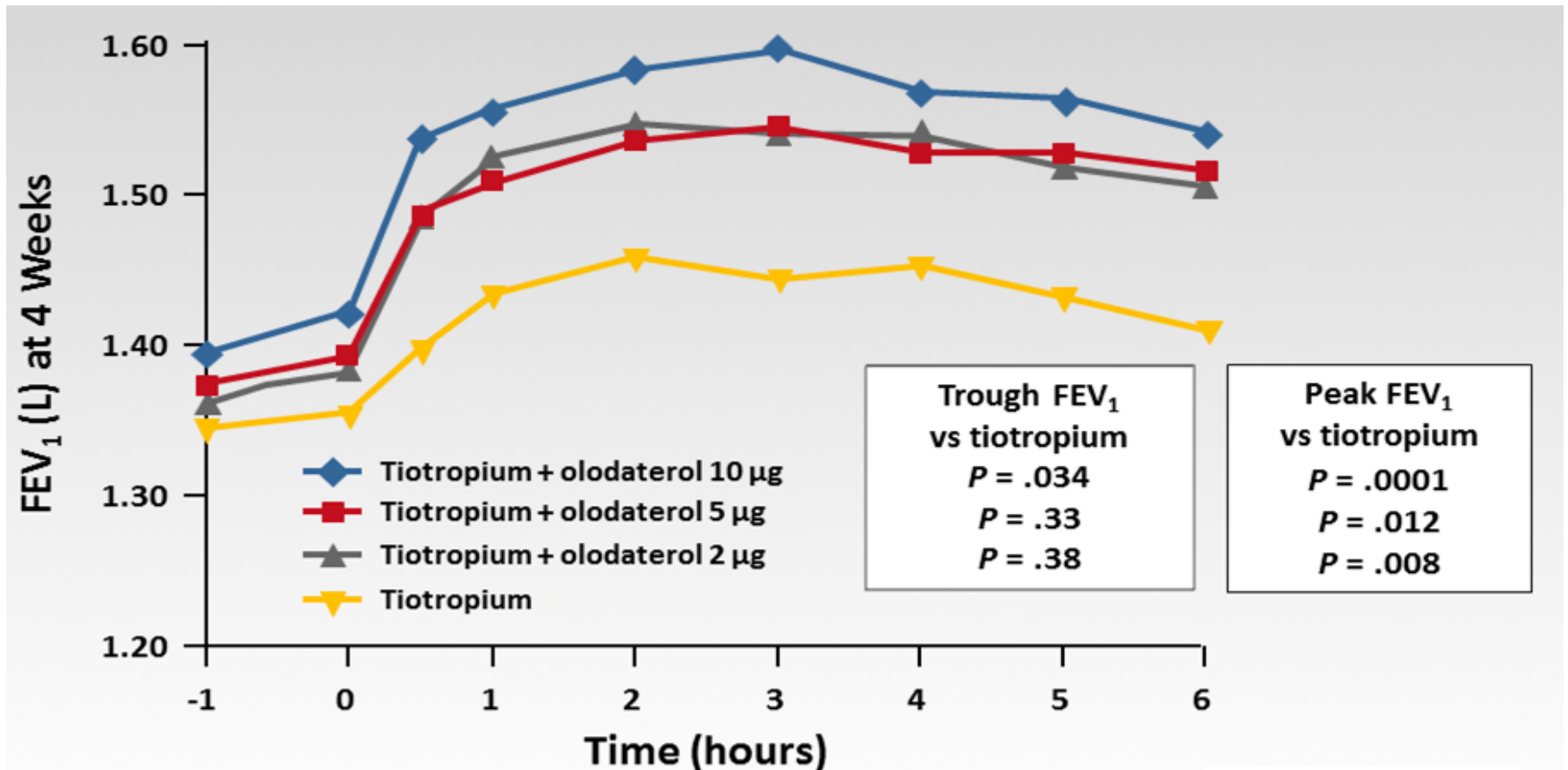


All active treatments produced statistically significant improvements in trough FEV₁ compared with placebo on Day 169 (0.072-0.167 L, all $p < 0.001$); increases with UMEC/VI 62.5/25 mcg were significantly greater than monotherapies (0.052-0.095 L, $p < 0.004$).

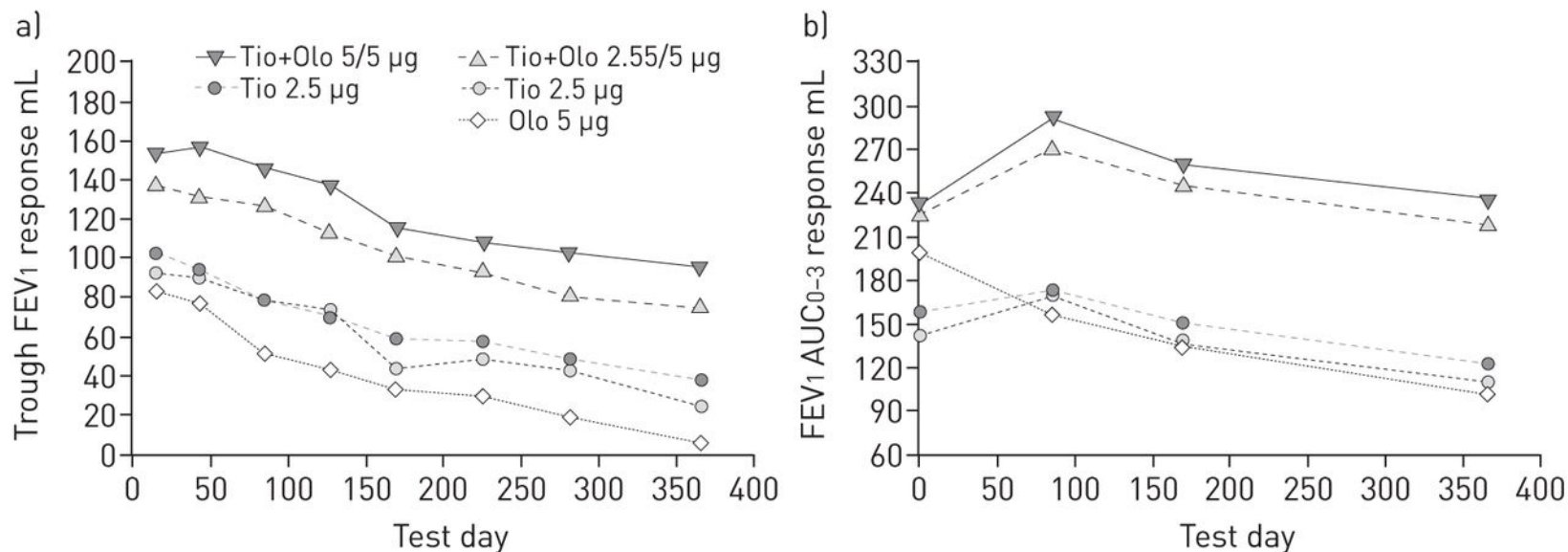
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3 doses of olodaterol/tiotropium vs tiotropium alone



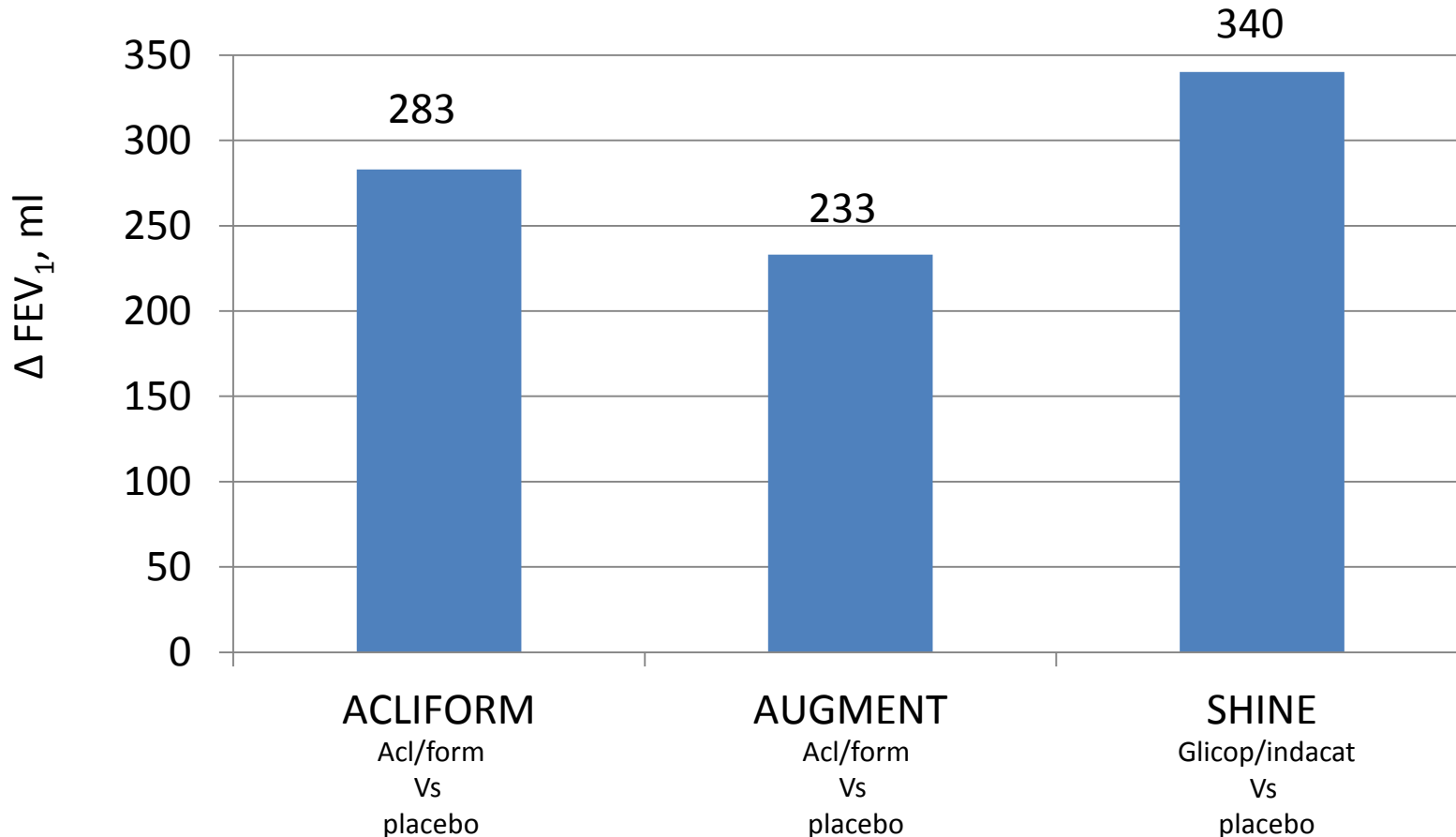
Tiotropium and olodaterol combination versus mono/components COPD GOLD 2 /4



Lung function end points (combined data set) over 52 weeks: full analysis set.
a) adjusted mean trough forced expiratory volume in 1 s (FEV1); b) area under the curve from 0 to 3 hours

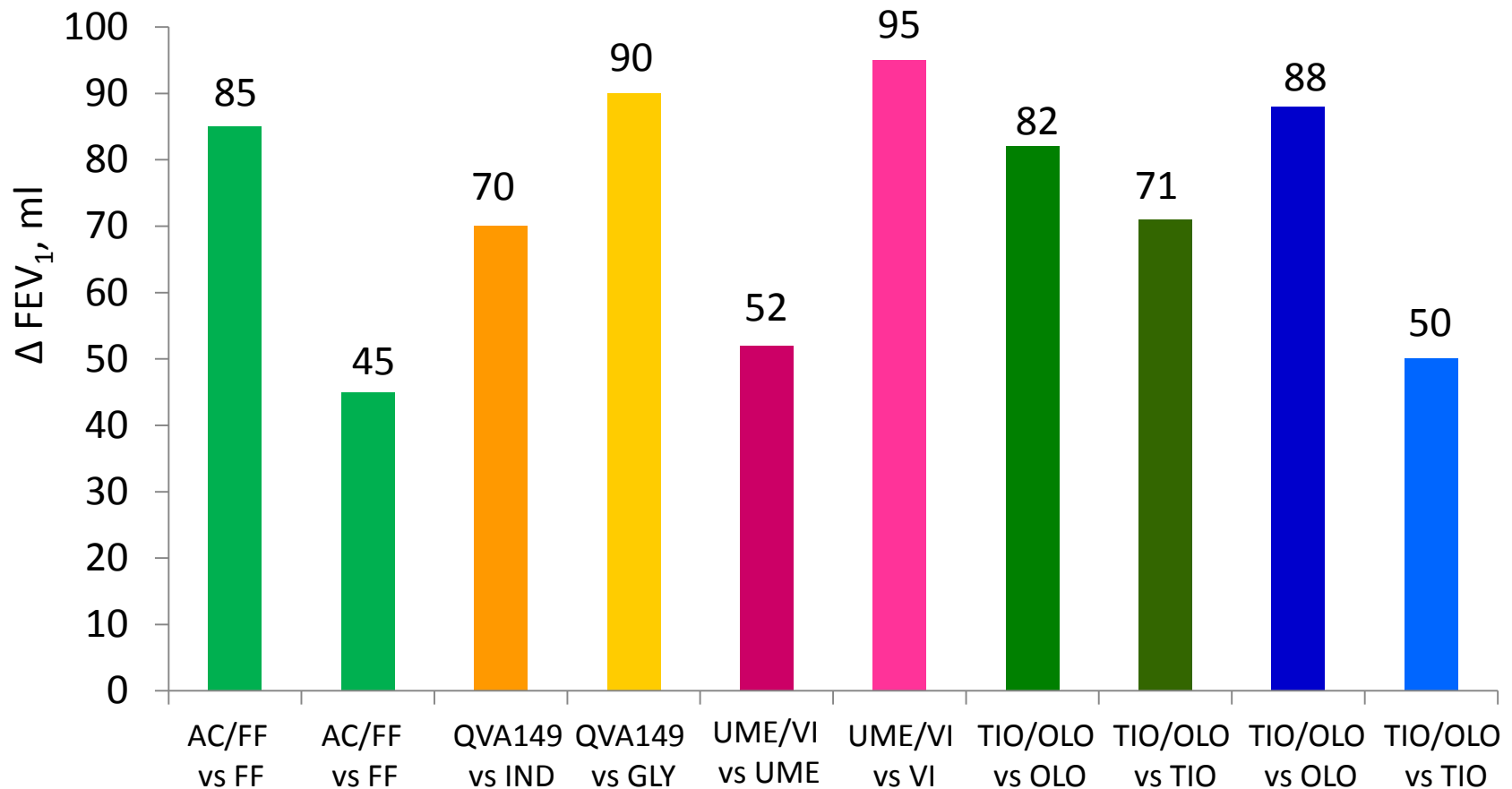
Combination treatments cause large FEV₁ changes immediately post-dose

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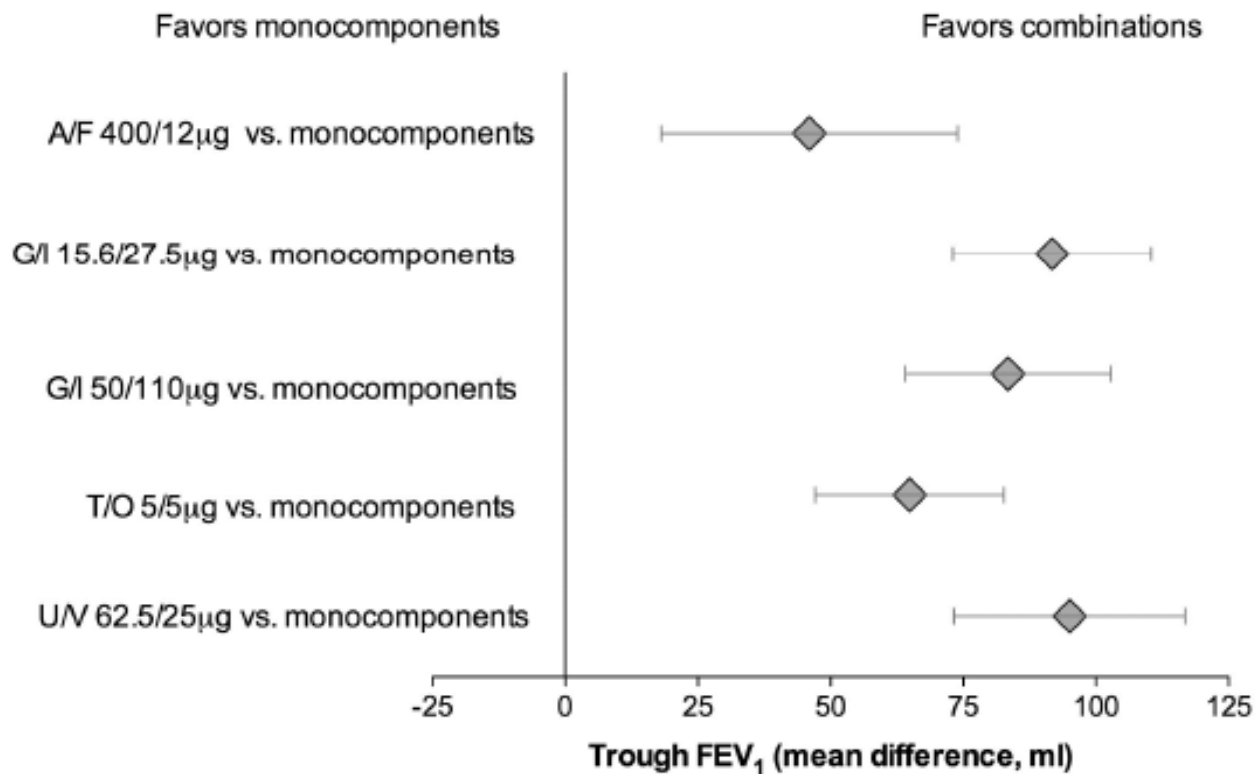
Changes in trough FEV₁: Combination vs monotherapy

Changes in trough FEV₁ for combination vs monotherapy from all studies (range 45-95 ml)

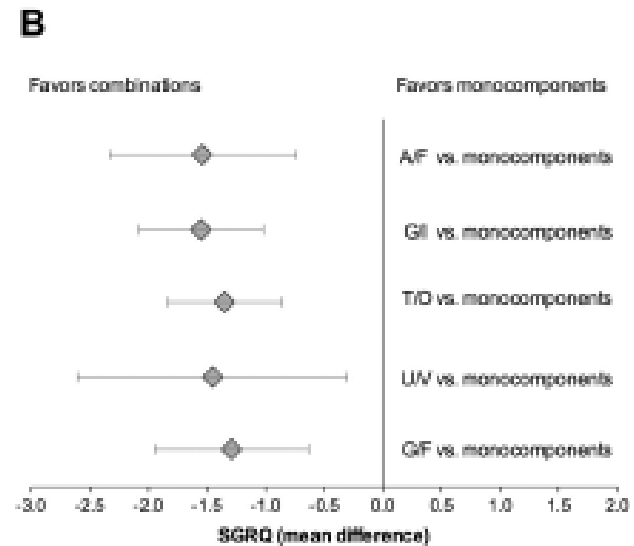
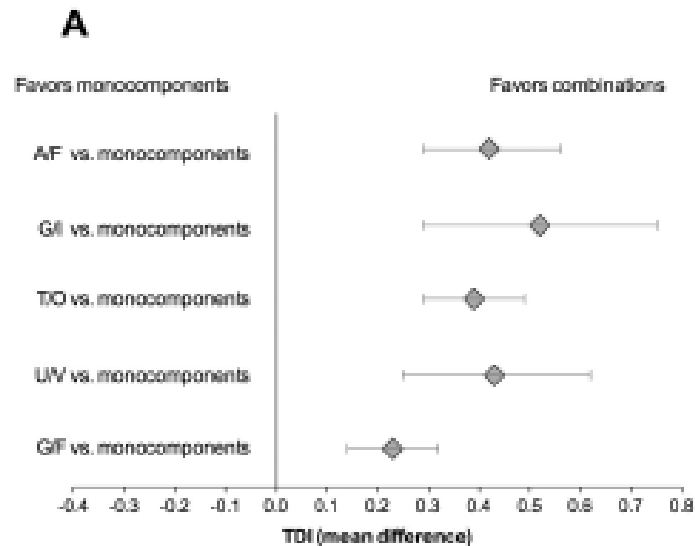


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A Systematic Review With Meta-Analysis of Dual Bronchodilation With LAMA/LABA for the Treatment of Stable COPD



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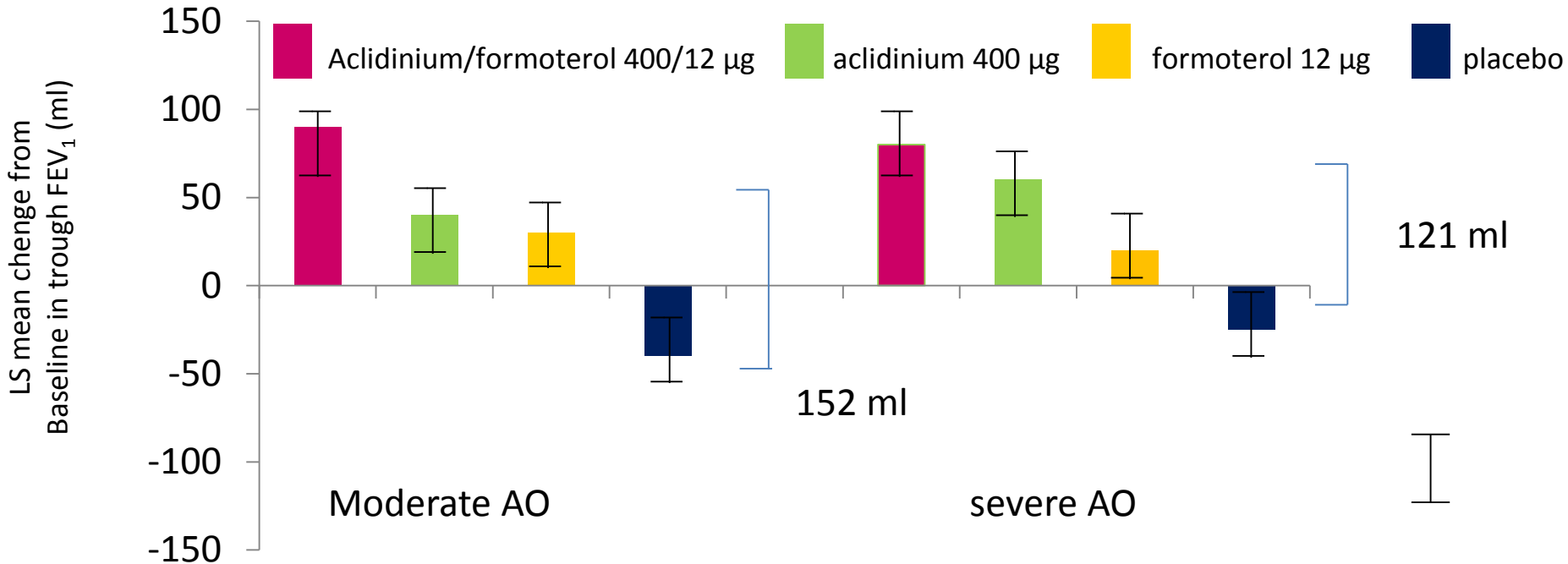


Response to LABA/LAMA combination by patient subgroup

- Is there a change in response to LABA/LAMA due to:
 - Severity of airflow obstruction
 - Concomitant ICS
 - Patient age

ACLIFORM/AUGMENT pooled post-hoc analysis stratified by COPD severity

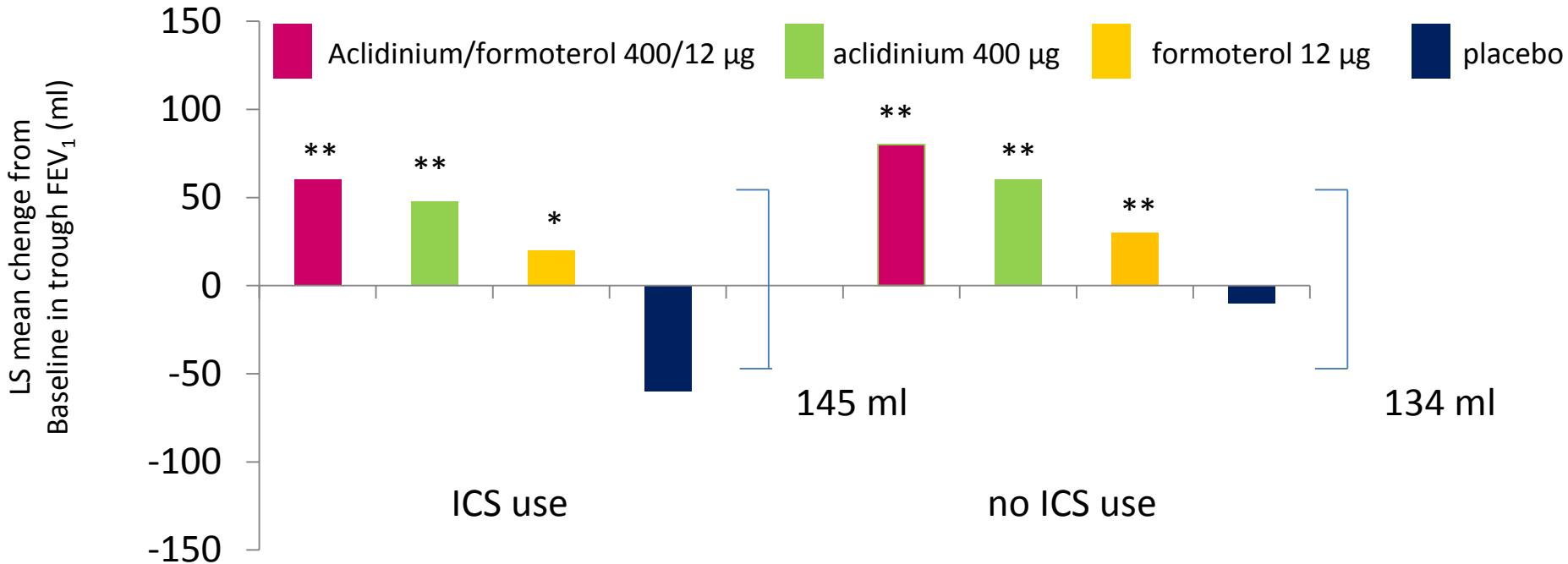
Trough FEV₁ change from baseline at Week 24



- Acclidinium/formoterol 400/12 µg BID:
 - improved morning pre-dose (trough) FEV₁ versus Formoterol $p < 0.001$ regardless of AO severity
 - improved morning pre-dose (trough) FEV₁ versus Acclidinium $p < 0.05$ in patients with moderate AO

ACLIFORM/AUGMENT pooled post-hoc analysis stratified by ICS use

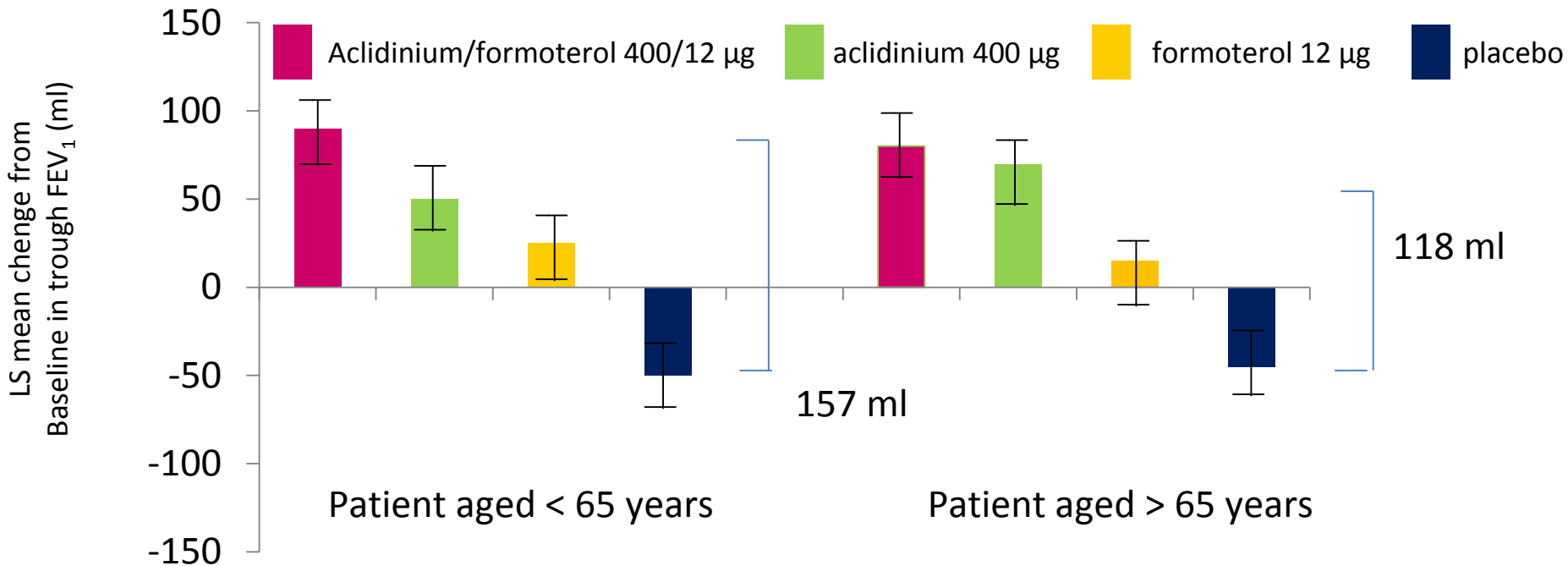
Trough FEV₁ change from baseline at Week 24



- Acclidinium/formoterol 400/12 µg BID improved trough FEV₁ by 71 ml versus Formoterol alone ($p < 0.001$) and by 54 ml vs Acclidinium alone ($p < 0.05$) in patients using concomitant ICS.
- Trough FEV₁ was significantly greater with all active treatments vs placebo, regardless of ICS use.

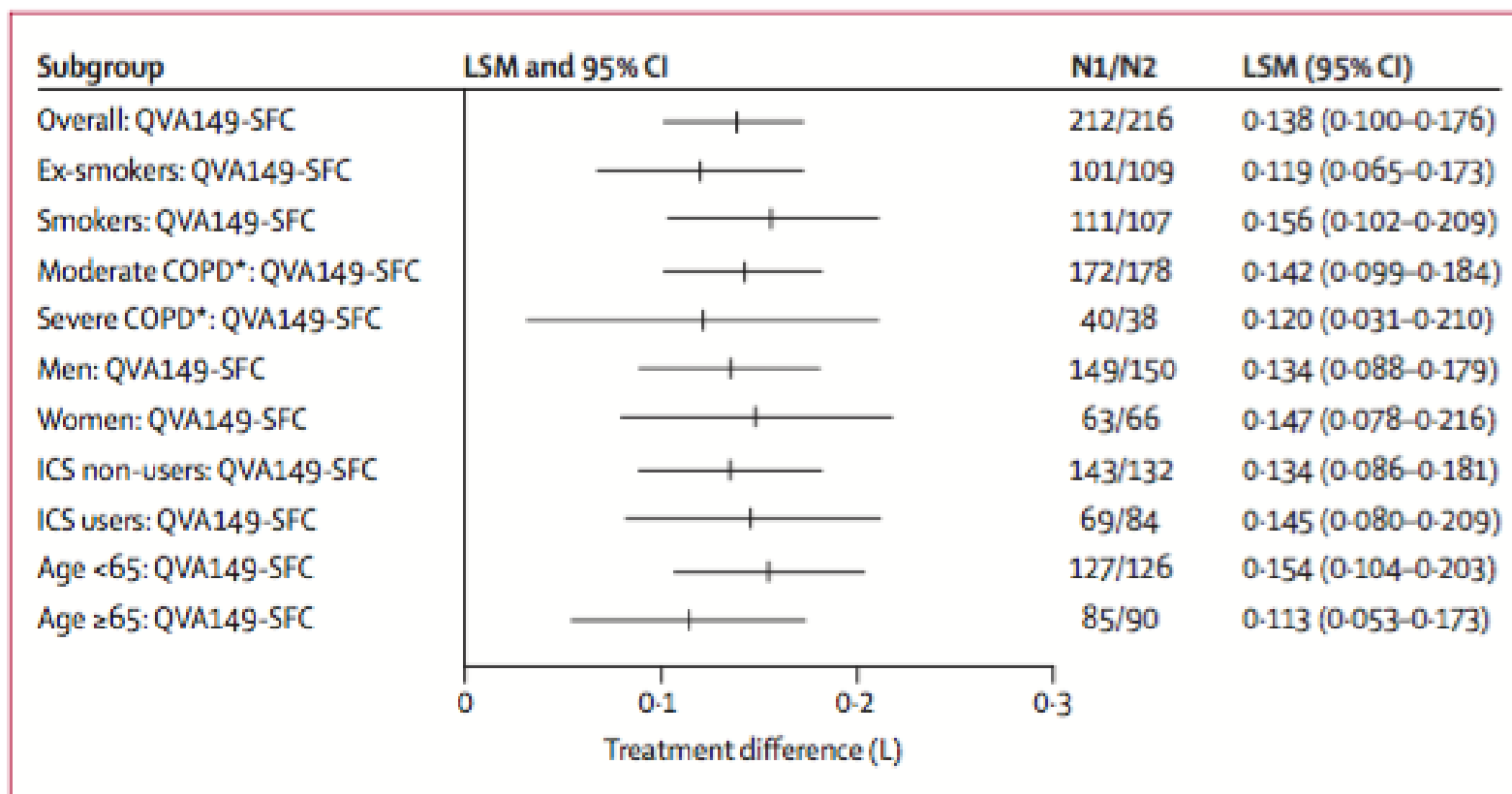
ACLIFORM/AUGMENT pooled post-hoc analysis stratified by patient age

Trough FEV₁ change from baseline at Week 24



- Regardless of patient age, Acclidinium/formoterol 400/12 µg BID:
 - improved morning pre-dose (trough) FEV₁ versus Formoterol p < 0.001
 - improved morning pre-dose (trough) FEV₁ versus Acclidinium p < 0.05 in patients aged < 65 years

Efficacy and safety of once-daily QVA149 compared with twice-daily salmeterol–fluticasone in patients with COPD



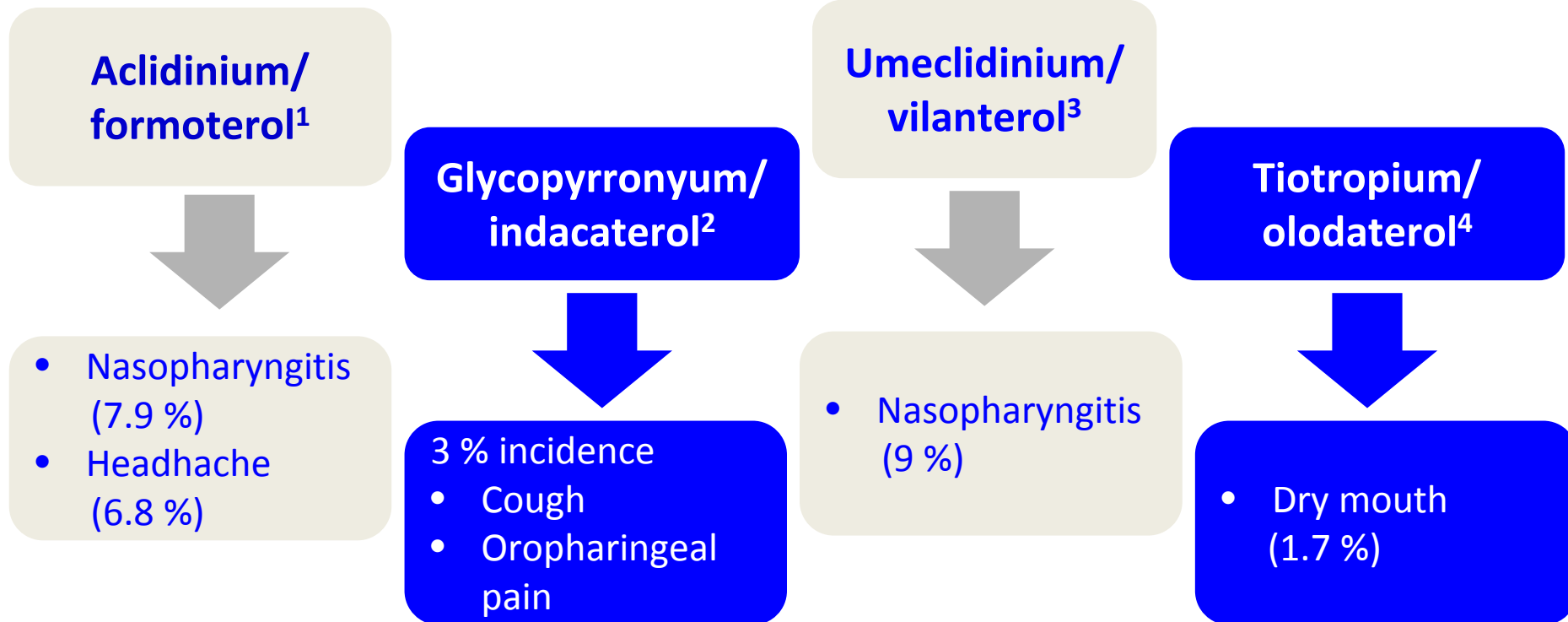
Risks and benefits of LABA/LAMA combination therapy

- Compared with separated monotherapy inhalers, LABA/LAMA combination may offer:¹
 - superior bronchodilation
 - reduced symptom burden and relief medication use
 - improved inhaler compliance

Safety and tolerability profiles of LABA/LAMA combination therapies

The safety and tolerability profiles of the approved LABA/LAMA combinations are similar in those of the individual monotherapy components

Most common AEs by preferred term



LABA/LAMA vs LABA/ICS

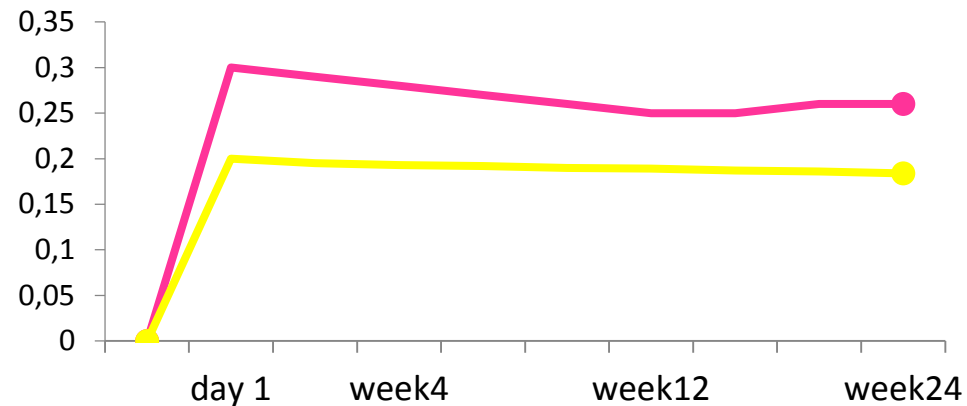
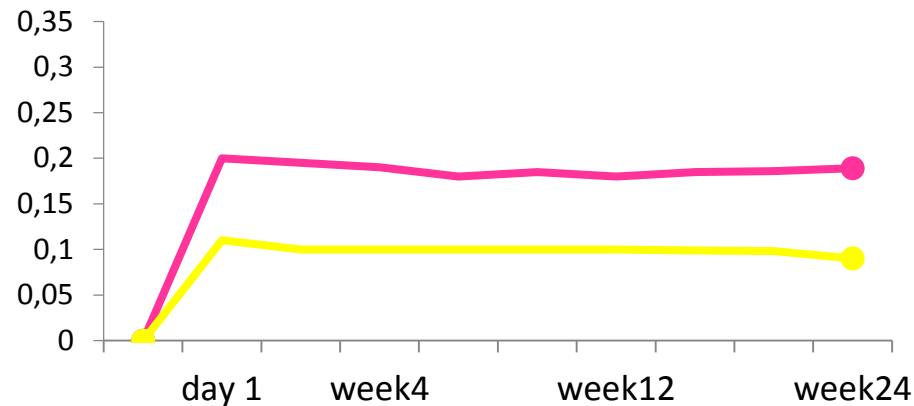
AFFIRM: Aclidinium/formoterol vs salmeterol/fluticasone

- Phase III AFFIRM study demonstrated improvements in bronchodilatation with acclidinium/formoterol 400/12 µg BID vs salmeterol/fluticasone 50/500 µg BID. Patients with stable symptomatic COPD (n= 933)

Change from baseline in FEV₁
AUC_{0-3h} (ITT population)^a

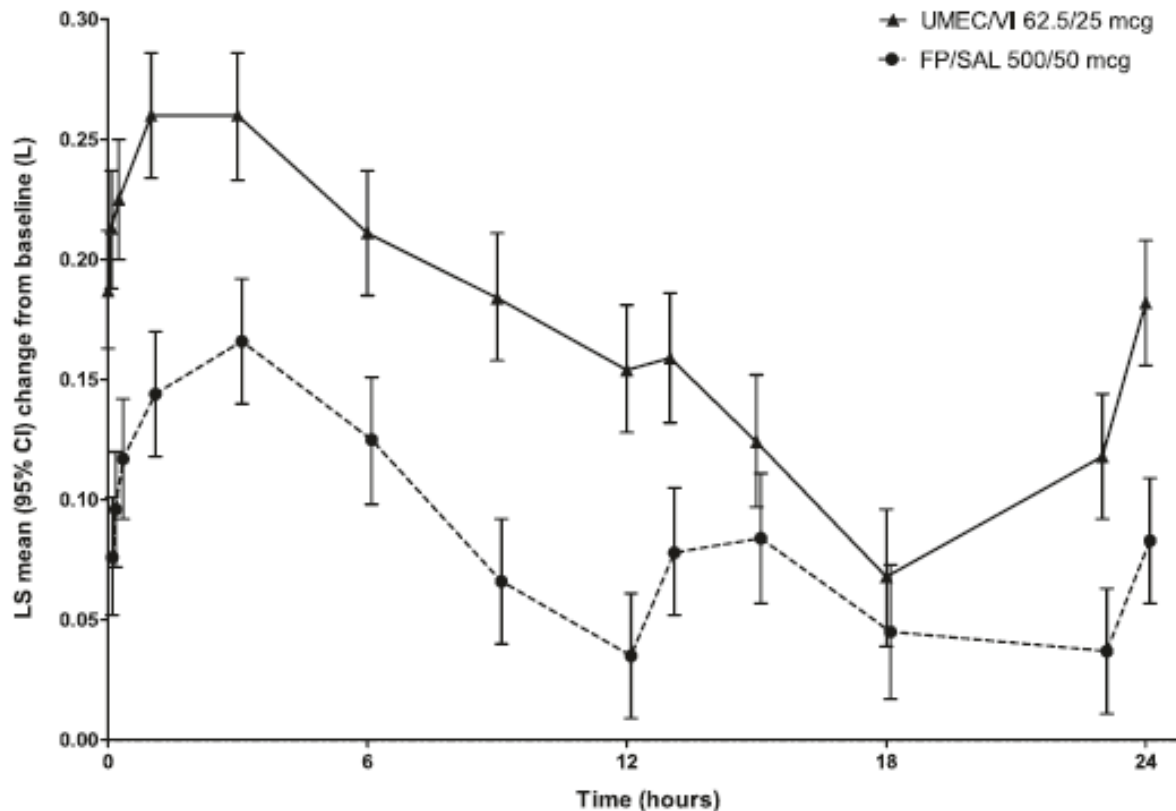
Change from baseline in peak FEV₁
(ITT population)^a

● Aclidinium/formoterol ● salmeterol/fluticasone

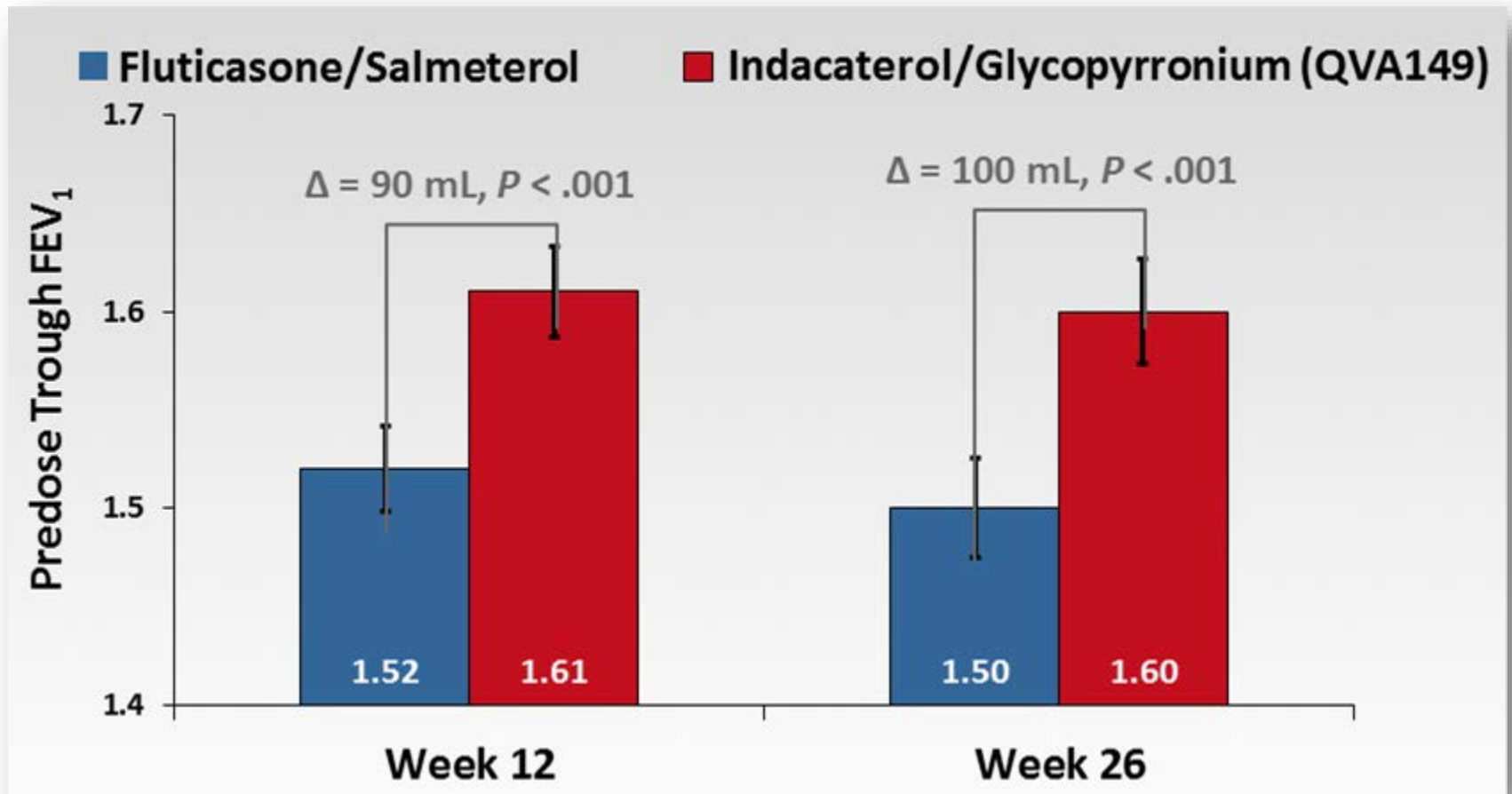


Umeclidinium/vilanterol vs salmeterol/fluticasone

- Umeclidinium/vilanterol 62.5/25 μg QD over 12 weeks improved lung function compared with salmeterol/fluticasone 50/500 μg BID in patients with moderate-to-severe COPD with infrequent exacerbations (n = 717)



ILLUMINATE: indacaterol/glycopyrronium vs fluticasone/salmeterol



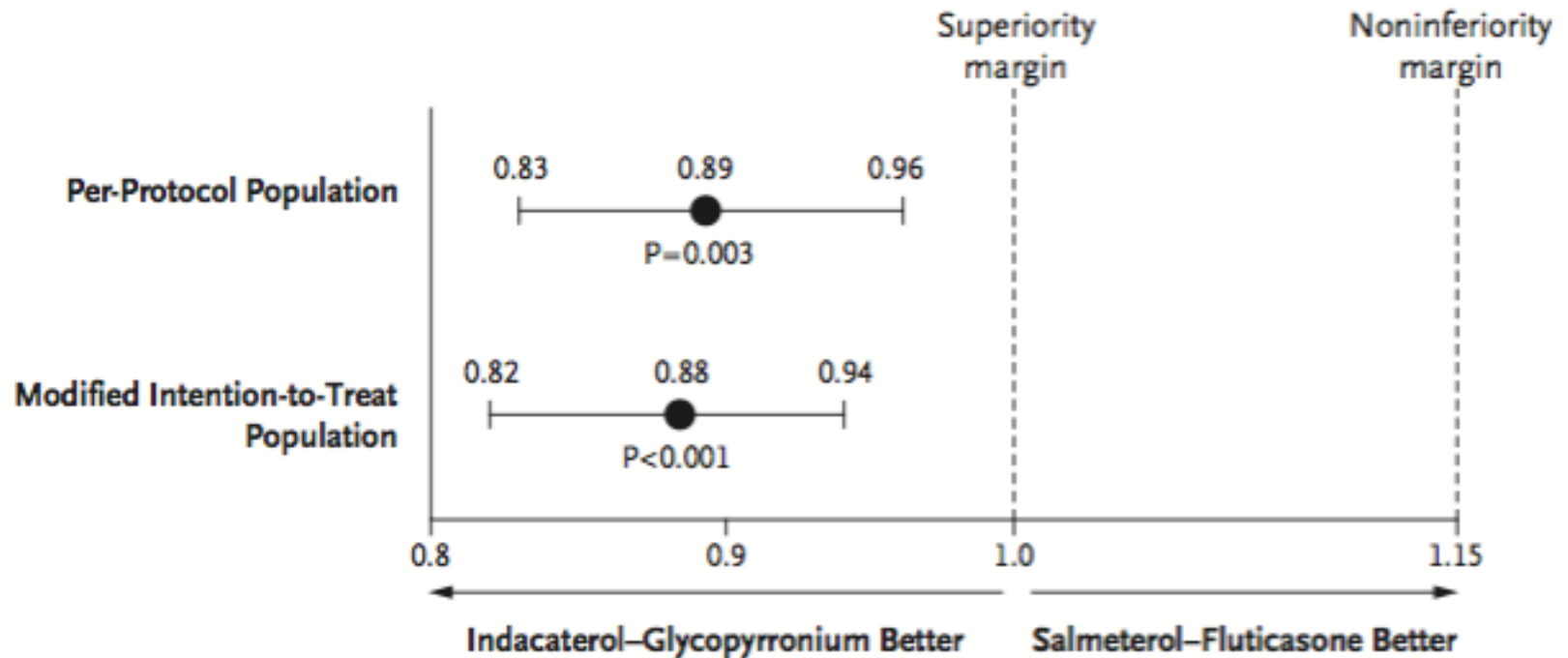
Indacaterol–Glycopyrronium versus Salmeterol–Fluticasone for COPD

Primary outcome

In the per-protocol population, the annual rate of all COPD exacerbations was **3.59** (95% confidence interval [CI], 3.28 to 3.94) in the indacaterol–glycopyrronium group and **4.03** (95% CI, 3.68 to 4.41) in the salmeterol–fluticasone group (rate ratio, 0.89 [95% CI, 0.83 to 0.96], representing an **11%** lower rate; P = 0.003)

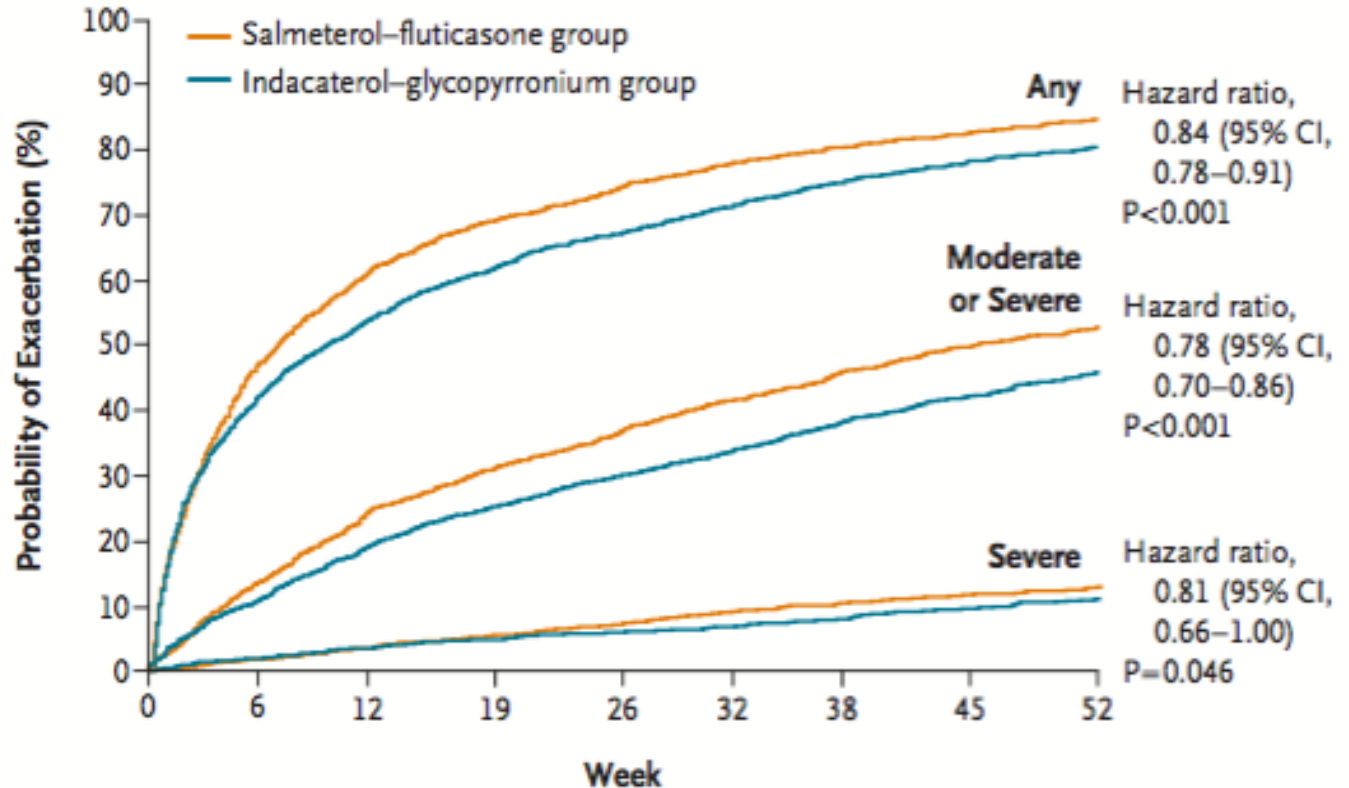
Indacaterol–Glycopyrronium versus Salmeterol–Fluticasone for COPD

Rate Ratio for All Exacerbations



Indacaterol–Glycopyrronium versus Salmeterol–Fluticasone for COPD

Time to First Exacerbation



Indacaterol–Glycopyrronium versus Salmeterol–Fluticasone for COPD

Table 2. Adverse Events and Serious Adverse Events.*

Variable	Indacaterol– Glycopyrronium Group (N=1678)	Salmeterol– Fluticasone Group (N=1680)
	<i>number (percent)</i>	
Patients with ≥1 adverse event	1459 (86.9)	1498 (89.2)
Adverse events that occurred in ≥3% of either treatment group†		
Worsening of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	1299 (77.4)	1374 (81.8)
Nasopharyngitis	197 (11.7)	195 (11.6)
Viral upper respiratory tract infection	132 (7.9)	138 (8.2)
Bacterial upper respiratory tract infection	125 (7.4)	168 (10.0)
Lower respiratory tract infection	82 (4.9)	98 (5.8)
Upper respiratory tract infection‡	81 (4.8)	83 (4.9)
Pneumonia	53 (3.2)	80 (4.8)
Cough	50 (3.0)	51 (3.0)
Dyspnea	49 (2.9)	51 (3.0)
Influenza	35 (2.1)	56 (3.3)
Oral candidiasis	20 (1.2)	71 (4.2)
Serious adverse event§	308 (18.4)	334 (19.9)
Death	24 (1.4)	24 (1.4)
Patients who discontinued because of adverse event	126 (7.5)	143 (8.5)
Patients who discontinued because of serious adverse event	85 (5.1)	87 (5.2)
Patients who discontinued because of nonserious adverse event	49 (2.9)	70 (4.2)

Conclusioni

- Le terapie di combinazione LABA/LAMA migliorano la broncodilatazione, confrontate con i monocomponenti ed il placebo.
- Gli effetti positivi delle terapie di combinazione LABA/LAMA sono osservati immediatamente nel post-dose
- L'effetto broncodilatante è presente in tutti i sottogruppi
- Il profilo di sicurezza e tollerabilità della duplice terapia LABA/LAMA è confrontabile a quello delle monoterapie.
- Il rapporto rischio/beneficio dovrebbe essere considerato nella gestione ottimale della terapia per ogni singolo paziente.