

**P1063: Phase I/II Safety And  
Efficacy Investigation of  
Atorvastatin for Treatment of  
Increased LDL Cholesterol in HIV-  
infected Children and Adolescents**



# Primary aim

To evaluate the safety and efficacy (based on direct LDL-cholesterol levels) of escalating doses of atorvastatin in HIV-1-infected children treated with combination antiretroviral treatment regimens.

- Grade 3-4 toxicities, LDL-cholesterol at weeks 12, 24 and 48.

# Secondary aims

- To evaluate changes from baseline in fasting total cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL cholesterol, ApoA1 and B, and lipoprotein (a) after initiation of atorvastatin.
- To evaluate changes from baseline in inflammatory-associated cardiac risk markers (e.g. high-sensitivity CRP) after initiation of atorvastatin.
- To describe the pharmacokinetics of atorvastatin when administered concurrently with protease inhibitors.
- To evaluate changes from baseline in plasma HIV-1 RNA levels after initiation of atorvastatin.

# Study status

- Opened for enrollment in June 2009
  - Version 2.0 – May 2010- expanded age range, lowered LDL-C entry criterion, removed PI requirement
- Study closed in February 2014
- Primary manuscript in press PIDJ
- Awaiting contract for atorvastatin levels for secondary manuscript

# Methods

- HIV-infected youth aged 10- <24 years
  - On stable ART
  - LDL-C  $\geq$  130 mg/dL for  $\geq$  6 months
- Started 10mg atorvastatin once daily
  - Increased to 20 mg if LDL-C decreased  $<$  30% from baseline or was  $>$  110 mg/dL at week 4
- Fasting lipids and safety labs at screening, entry, weeks 4, 8(safety labs only), 12, 24 and 48
- Apo A1, B, hs-CRP, IL-6 batched and run at end of the study

# RESULTS



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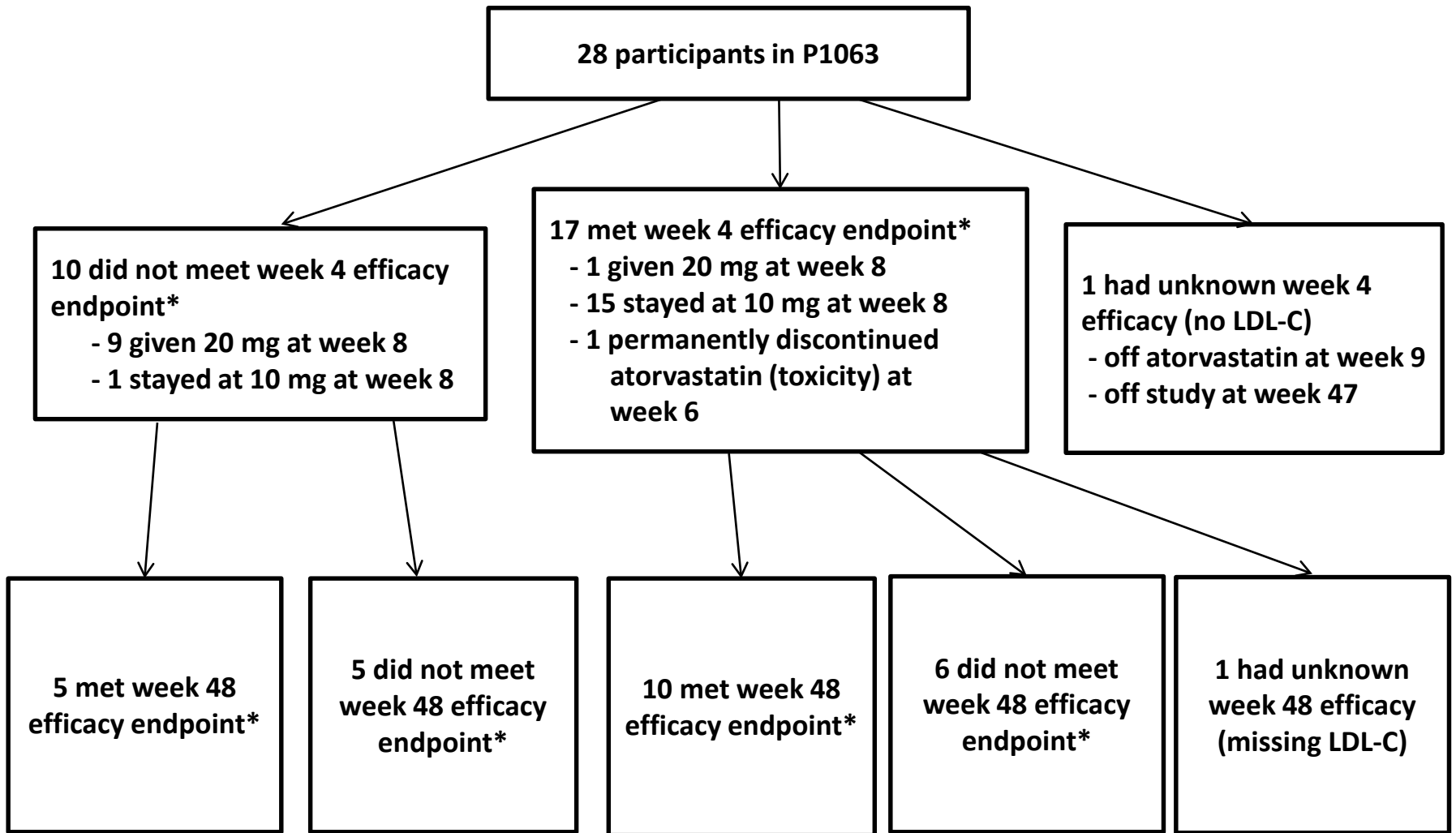
# Baseline Characteristics N=28

		Number (%)
Age at study entry (years)	Mean (range)	17 (10-23)
Age Group	≥10 to <15 years old	7 (25%)
	15 to <19 years old	12 (43%)
	19 to <24 years old	9 (32%)
Sex	Male	9 (32%)
	Female	19 (68%)
Race/Ethnicity	White Non-Hispanic	4 (14%)
	Black Non-Hispanic	18 (64%)
	Hispanic	5 (18%)
	Asian, Pacific Islander	1 (4%)
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) at entry	Mean (range)	25.6 (14.7-55.8)

# Baseline Characteristics N=28

		Number (%)
CD4 Percent at screening	15 to <25%	2 (7%)
	≥25%	26 (93%)
HIV-1 RNA (copies/mL)	≥LLQ	8 (29%)
	<LLQ	20 (71%)
ARV regimen at entry	At least 1 PI and at least 1 NNRTI	5 (18%)
	At least 1 PI and no NNRTI	17 (61%)
	At least 1 NNRTI and no PI	4 (14%)
	Other ARV regimen	2 (7%)





\*Efficacy endpoint: <110 mg/dL or  $\geq 30\%$  decrease in LDL-C from baseline

# Safety

- 2 discontinued atorvastatin due to potentially related toxicity – both in the 10-15 yr age group
  - Grade 3 elevation in creatinine at week 6
  - Grade 4 ALT/AST at final study visit
- 6 non-related Grade 3 events

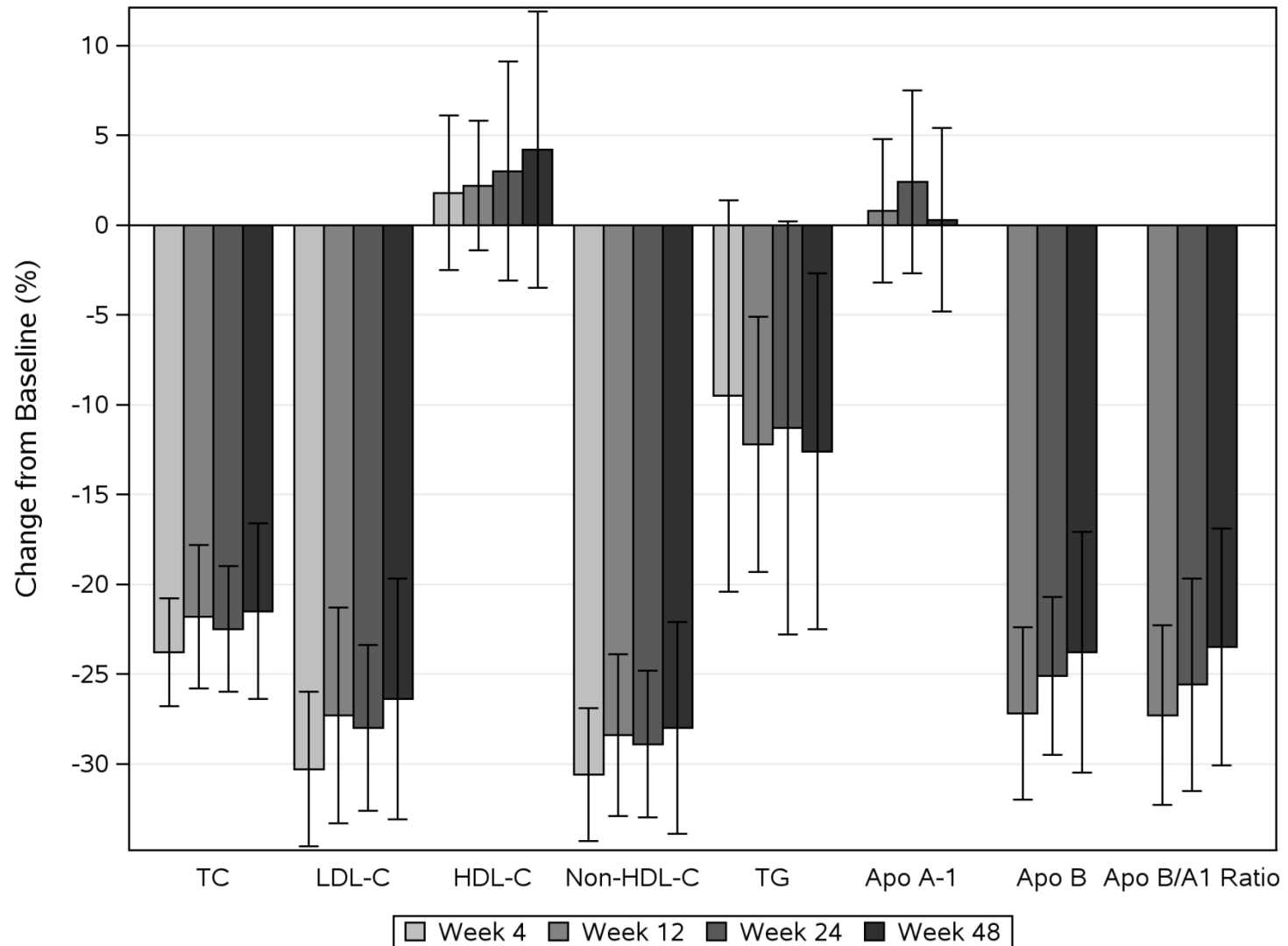
# Lipid concentrations at baseline and changes on atorvastatin treatment

	Baseline	Wk 4	Wk 12	Wk 24	wk 48
	N=28	N=27	N=26	N=26	N=25
LDL-C (mg/dL)	162 (133, 207)	113 (74, 165) -30.3 (-34.6, -26.1)	114 (68, 179) -27.3 (-33.3, -21.4)	110 (84, 173) -28.0 (-32.7, -23.4)	115 (67, 164) -26.4 (-33.0, -19.7)
HDL-C (mg/dL)	50 (31, 77)	49 (35, 80) 1.8 (-2.5, 6.1)	50 (25, 88) 2.2 (-1.4, 5.8)	48 (36, 90) 3.0 (-3.1, 9.1)	53 (30, 84) 4.2 (-3.5, 11.9)
TC (mg/dL)	240 (179, 285)	178 (135, 235) -23.8 (-26.8, -20.8)	187 (113, 249) -21.8 (-25.8, -17.9)	176 (142, 261) -22.5 (-26.0, -19.0)	185 (120, 248) -21.5 (-26.4, -16.6)
Non-HDL-C (mg/dL)	186 (136, 250)	129 (86, 185) -30.6 (-34.3, -26.9)	132 (79, 181) -28.4 (-32.9, -23.9)	124 (99, 192) -28.9 (-33.0, -24.8)	130 (74, 197) -28.0 (-34.0, -22.1)
TGs (mg/dL)	124 (61, 387)	121 (38, 272) -9.5 (-20.4, 1.4)	126 (32, 390) -12.2 (-19.3, -5.1)	121 (57, 250) -11.3 (-22.8, 0.3)	111 (44, 566) -12.6 (-22.5, -2.7)

Median (Min, Max)

Mean % change (90% CI)

# Mean percent change in lipid and lipoprotein concentrations from baseline during atorvastatin treatment.



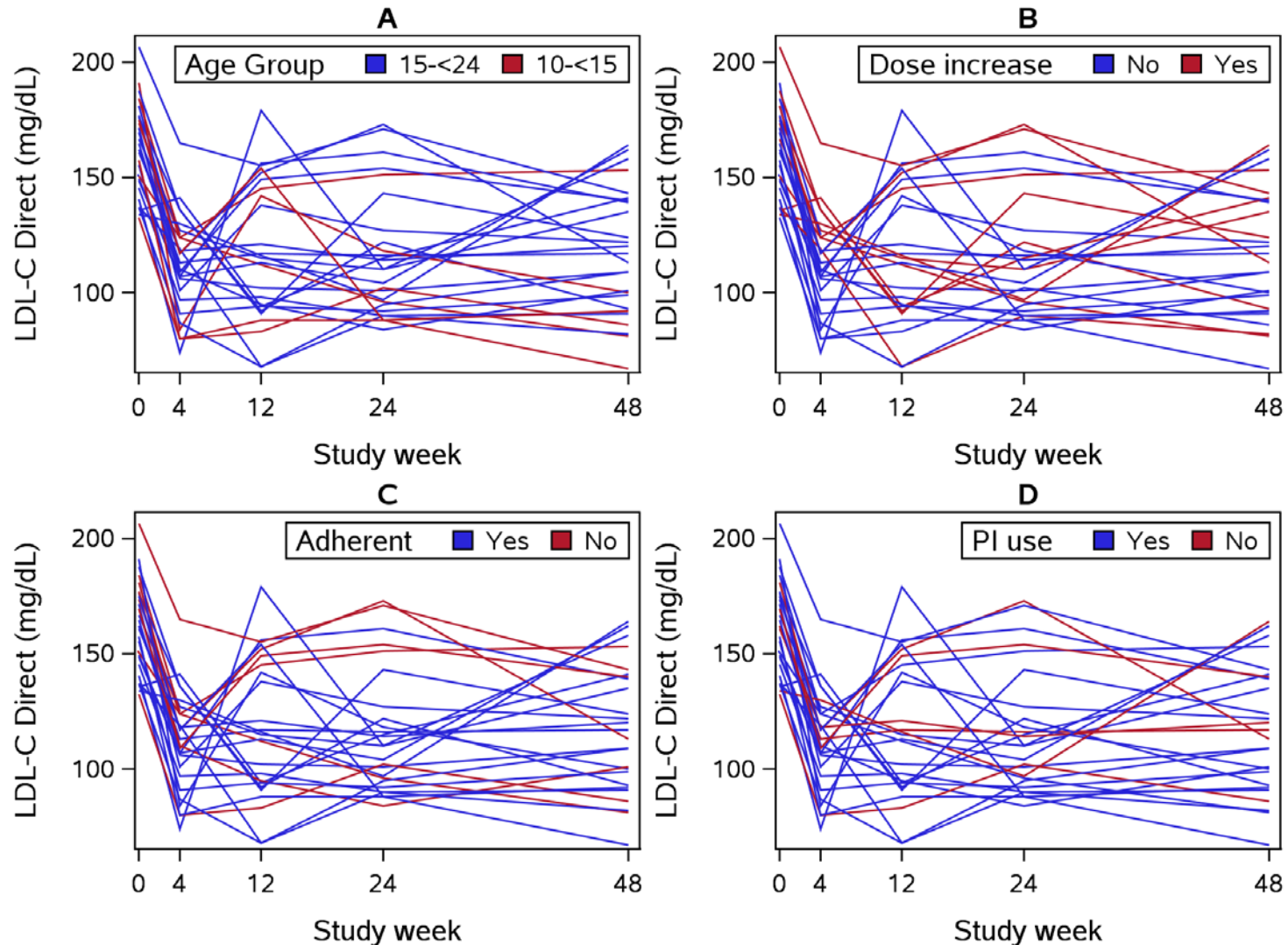
# Absolute inflammatory marker concentrations before atorvastatin treatment and changes during atorvastatin treatment

	Baseline	Wk 12	Wk 24	Wk 48
	N=27	N=24	N=23	N=24
IL-6 (pg/mL)	1.66 (0.47, 7.94)	1.94 (0.51, 6.97) -1 (-32, 110)	1.36 (0.42, 4.41) -19 (-32, -5)	1.15 (0.56, 24.56) -11.5 (-34, 46)
hs-CRP (mg/L)	1.20 (0.20, 22.00)	1.00 (0.20, 20.50) 0 (-35, 44)	0.50 (0.20, 18.90) -20 (-67, 0)	0.60 (0.20, 19.30) 0 (-78, 17)

Median (Min, Max)

Median % change (90% CI)

Observed direct LDL-C concentrations over time by age group at study initiation (panel A), actual dose at week 8 (panel B), adherence assessment (panel C) and ARV treatment at study initiation (Panel D)



# Conclusions

- Atorvastatin lowered TC, LDL-C, non-HDL-C and ApoB in HIV-infected youth with ART-associated hyperlipidemia
- Safety monitoring is important particularly in younger children

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