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Ethnic Differences in PK and PD of Anti-Rheumatic Drugs

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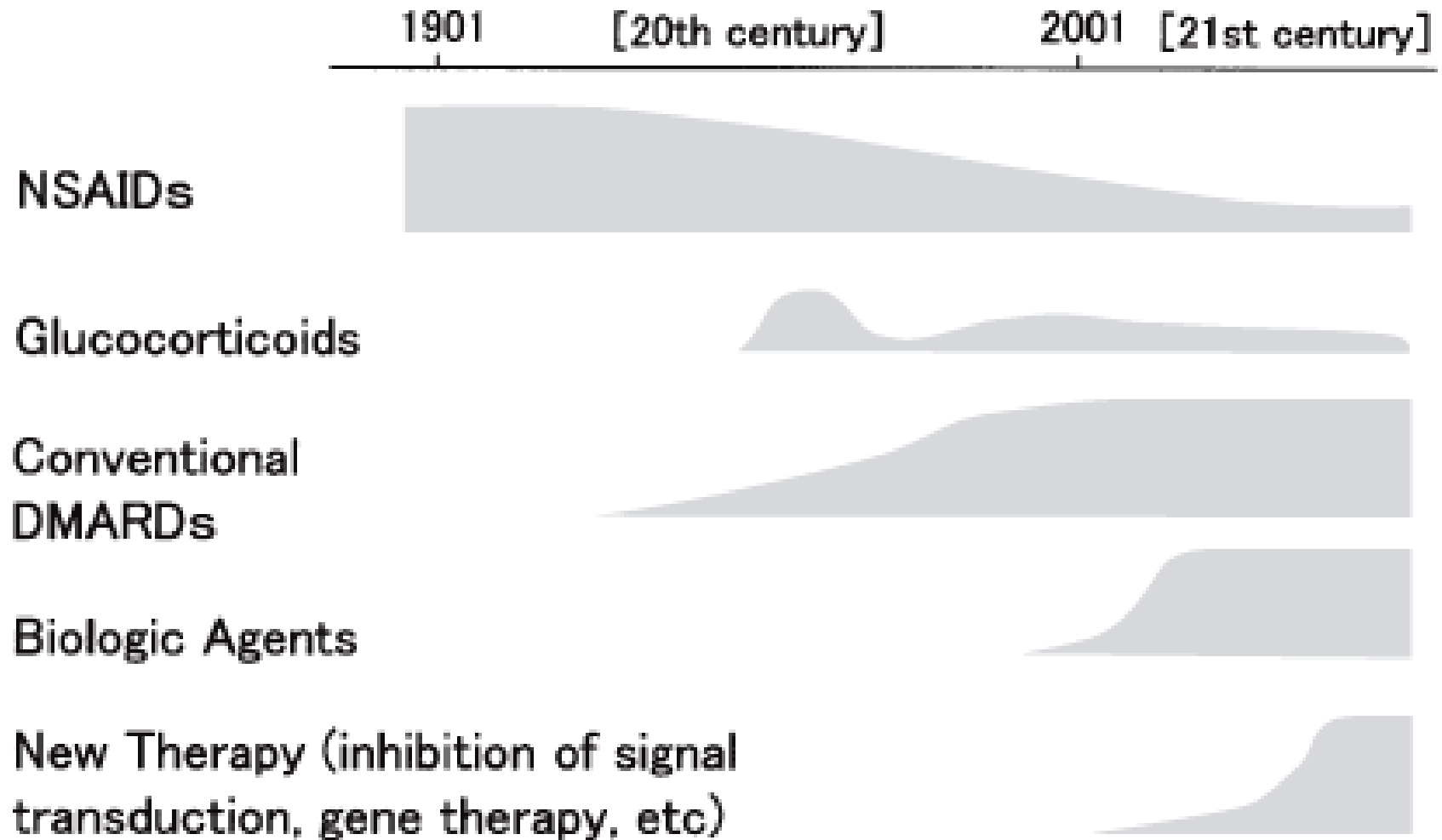
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History of Drug Therapy for RA



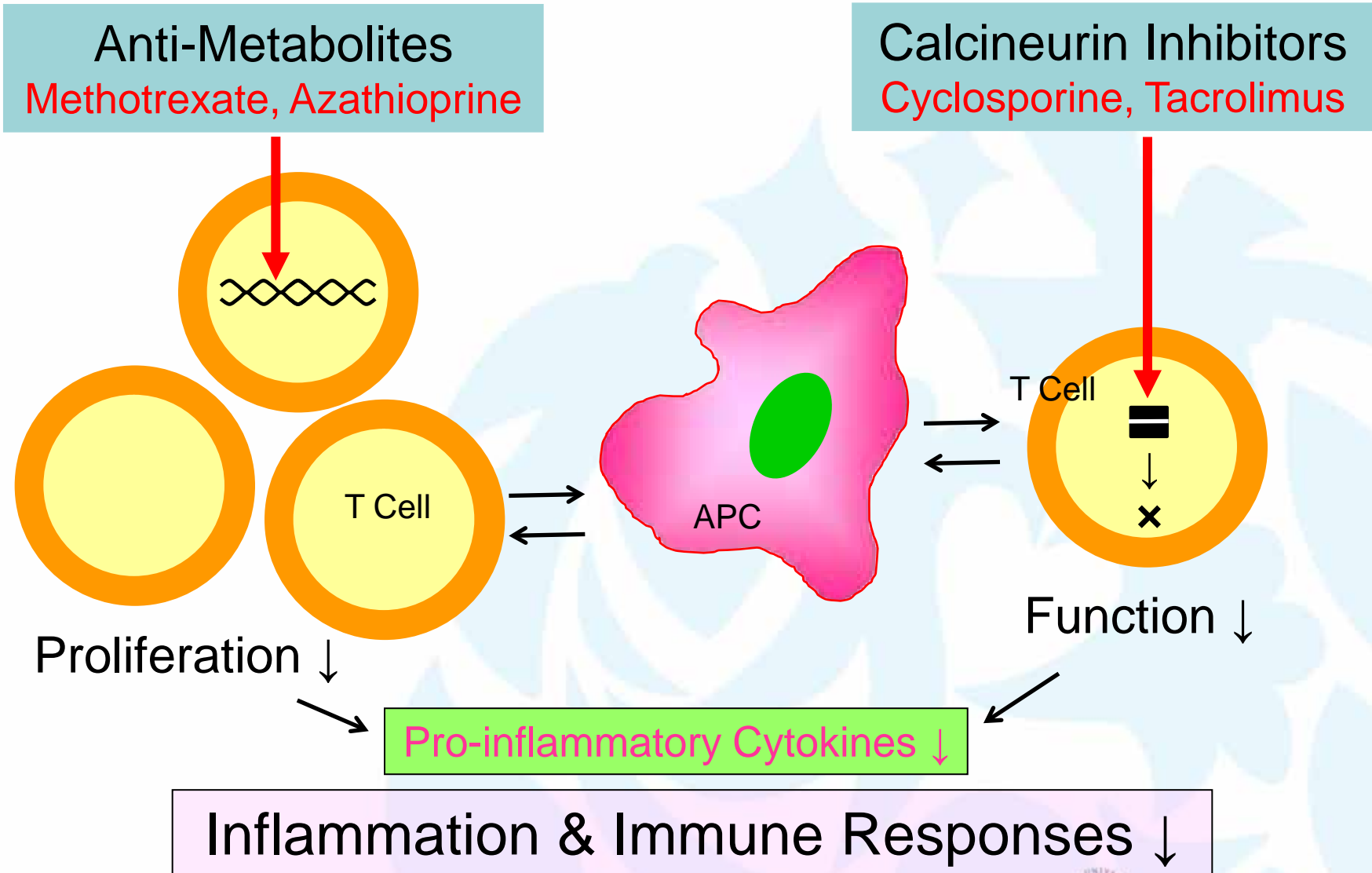
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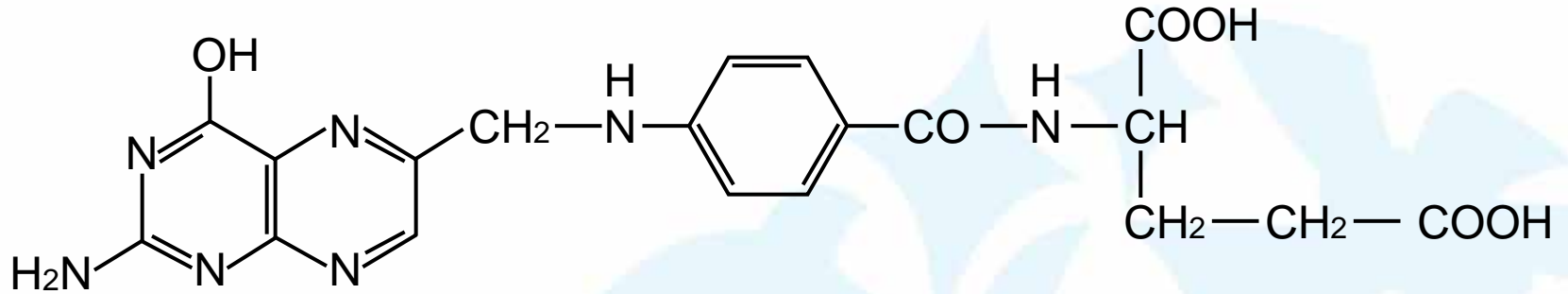
Immunosuppressive Drugs



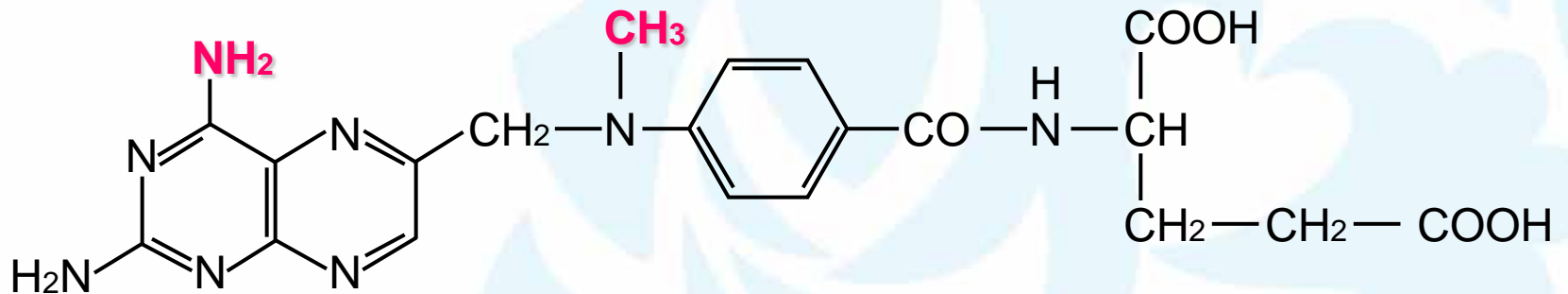
Immunosuppressive Drugs for RA



Folic acid & Methotrexate



Folic acid



Methotrexate

A Chinese Patient (M, 35y.o.) with RA under MTX Therapy of 12.5 mg/w



1st Visit



1 Year After

Interstitial Pneumonitis Complicated with MTX Therapy in RA Patient



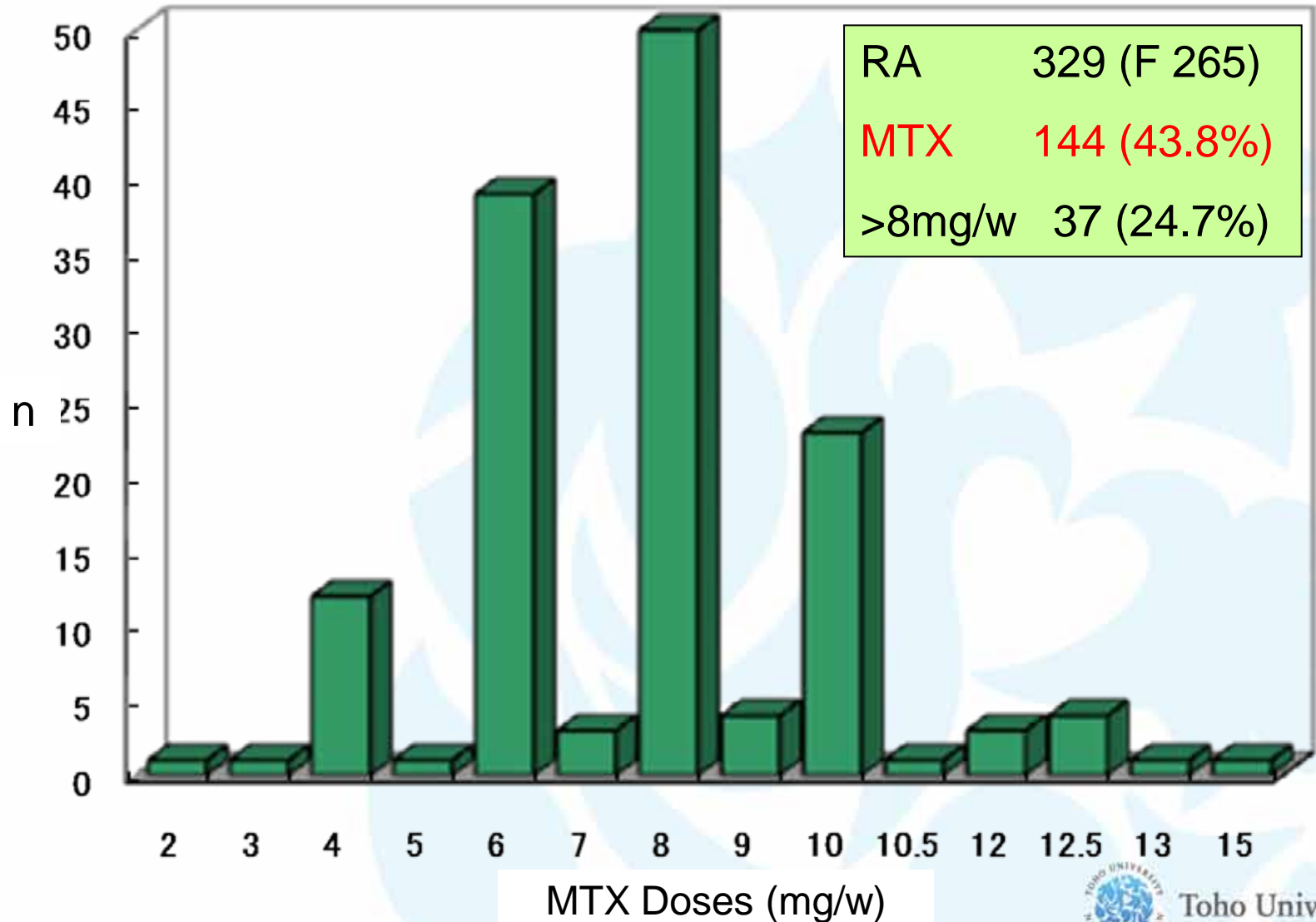
MTX Doses (mg/w) for RA Patients in Various Countries

	Start	Regular Doses	Upper Limit
USA	7.5	Increasing	30
UK	7.5	10-15	20
Canada	7.5	Increasing	20
Germany	7.5	10-15	20
China	7.5	Increasing	20
Korea	7.5	Increasing	20
Japan	6	6	8

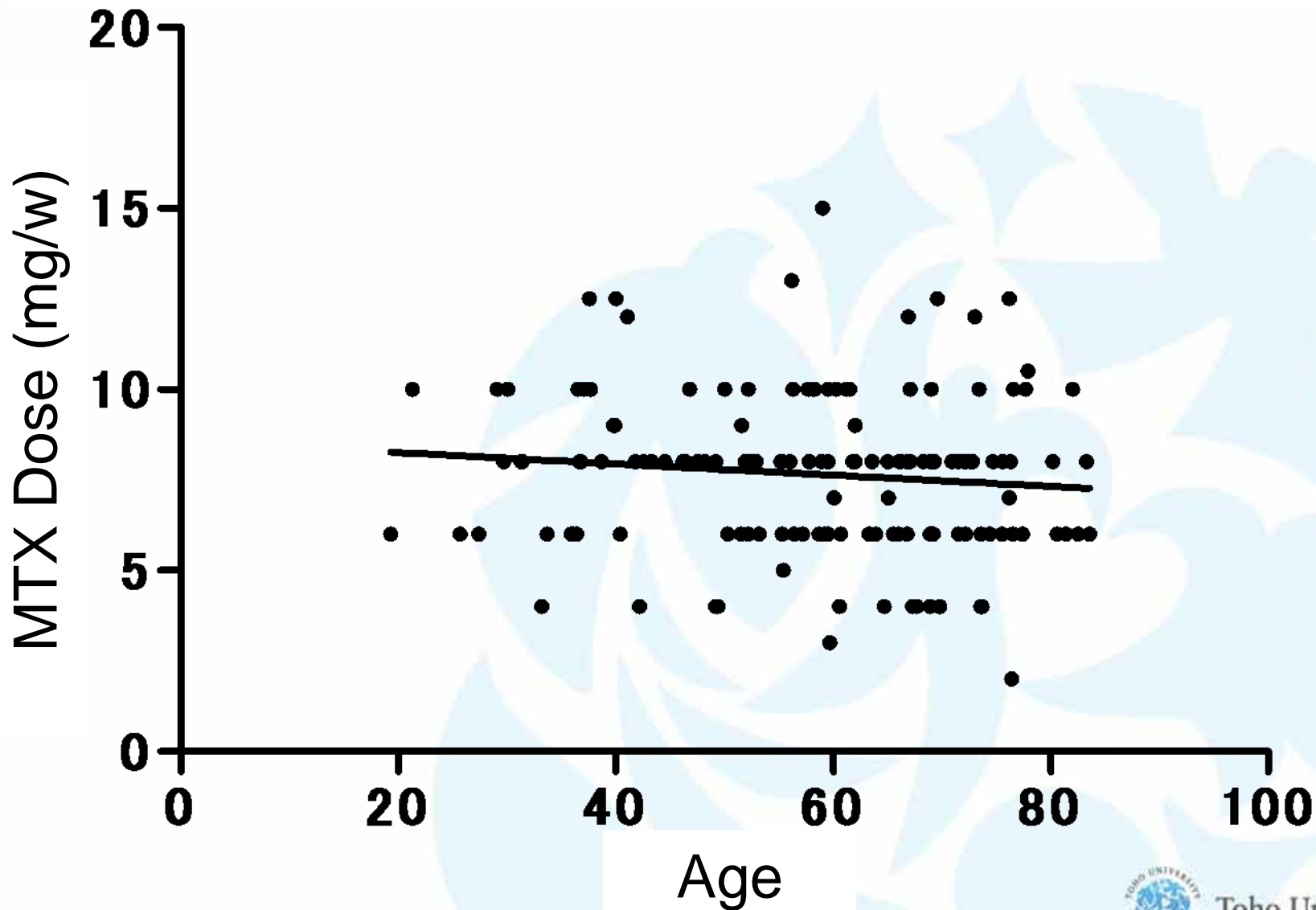
(Modified from Kawai S. Nikkei Medical, Oct 2008)



MTX Doses for RA Patients in Our Clinic of Toho University Omori Medical Center



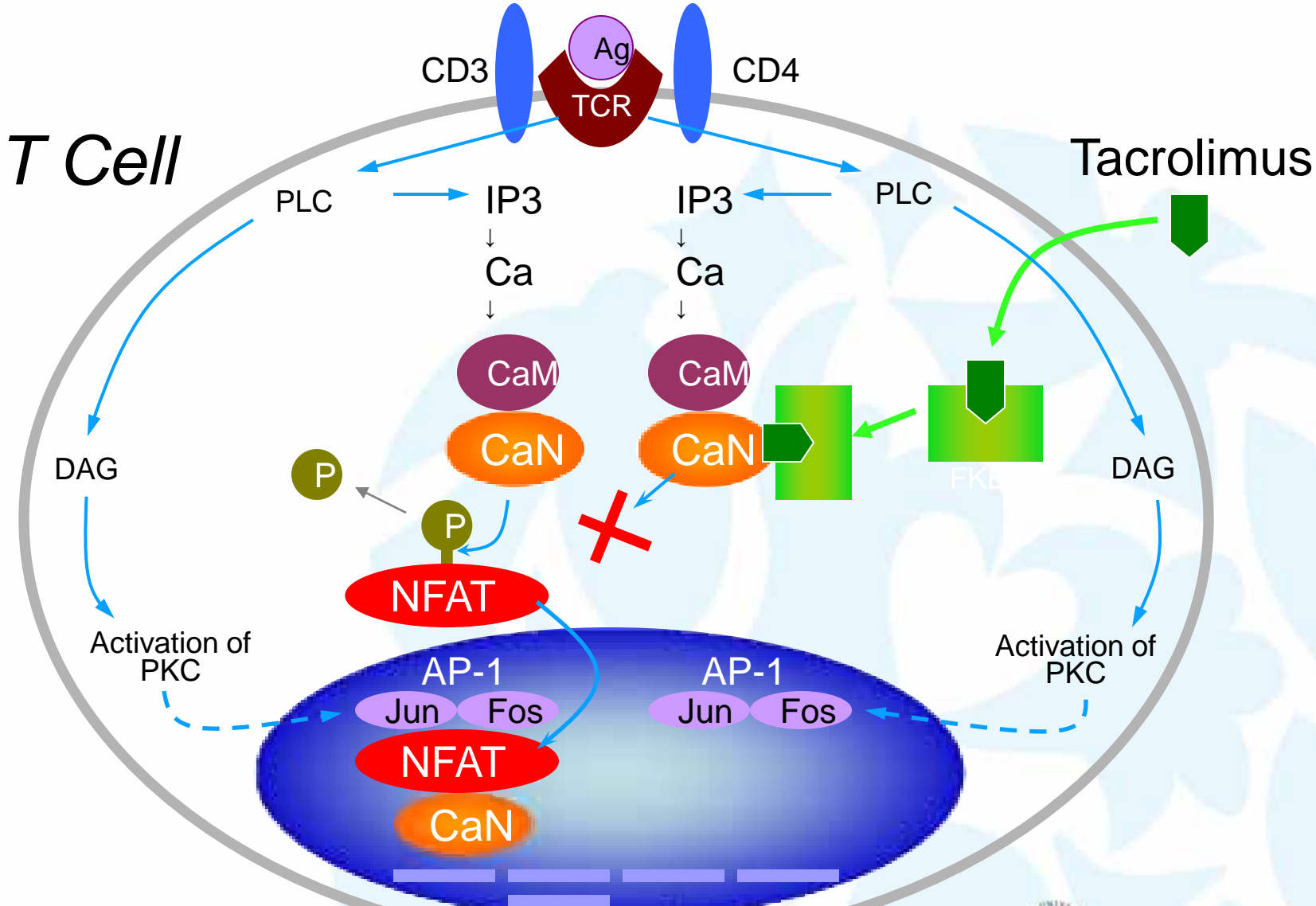
Relationship between Ages and MTX Doses of RA Patients in Our Clinic



Calcineurin Inhibitors



Mechanism of Action of Tacrolimus in T Cell



Production of Cytokines

Human Tacrolimus-Binding Proteins

FKBP ^a	Refseq ID	Locuslink ^b	Class	Chromosome
FKBP12	FKBP1	2280	C	20p13
FKBP12.6	FKBP1B	2281	C	2p23
FKBP25	FKBP3	2287	N	14q21
FKBP135	KIAA0674	23307	N	9q32
FKBP36	FKBP6	8468	TPR	7q11
FKBP37	AIP	9049	TPR	11q13
FKBP38	FKBP8	23770	TPR	19p12
FKBP51	FKBP5	2289	TPR	6p21
FKBP52	FKBP4	2288	TPR	12p13
FKBP13	FKBP2	2286	ER	11q13
FKBP19	FKBP11	51303	ER	12q13
FKBP22	FKBP14	55033	ER	7p15
FKBP23	FKBP7	51661	ER	2q31
FKBP60	FKBP9	11328	ER	7p11
FKBP65	FKBP10	60681	ER	17q21

C = cytoplasmic, N = nuclear, TPR = TPR-containing, ER = secretory pathway.

^aFKBPs are grouped by subfamily (see Results section).

^bLocuslink IDs and chromosomal positions as recorded in the NCBI Locuslink database are shown.

(Rulten SL, et al. *Mamm Genome* 2006;17:322)



Major Cyclophilins and Their Cellular Distribution

Cyclophilins	kDa	Distribution
CypA	18	cytoplasm
CypB	22	secretory pathways
CypC	23	secretory pathways
CypD	22	mitochondria
CypE	ND	nuclear
Cyp40	40	cytoplasm
CypNK	ND	cytoplasm

ND; not determined

Cyclosporine



RCT of Cyclosporine and Other Drugs in RA Patients

Year	Author	Study design	Period	Dose	No. of patients	Results	Ref.
2006	Hetland et al.	R, DB, PC	52wk	(1) MTX 7.5mg/wk + CyA 2.5mg/kg/day + i.a. Betamethasone (2) MTX 7.5mg/wk + i.a. Betamethasone	160	CyA+MTX > MTX	50
2006	Karanikolas et al.	O, R, P	12mo	(1) CyA 2.5-5mg/kg/day (2) LEF 20mg/day (3) (1) + (2)	106	CyA+LEF > CyA or LEF	49
2005	Sarzi-Puttini et al.	O, R	12mo	(1) CyA 3-5mg/kg/day + MTX 7.5-10mg/wk (2) CyA 3-5mg/kg/day + HCQ 400mg/day (3) CyA 3-5mg/kg/day	105	CyA+MTX > CyA+HCQ	48
2004	Miranda et al.	R, DB, PC	12mo	(1) CyA 2.5-5mg/kg/day + Clq 150mg/day (2) CyA 2.5-5mg/kg/day	149	NS	47
2003	Gerards et al.	R, DB, PC	48wk	(1) CyA 2.5-5mg/kg/day + MTX 7.5-15mg/wk (2) CyA 2.5-5mg/kg/day	120	CyA+MTX > CyA	46
2003	Marchesoni et al.	R, SB	12mo	(1) CyA 3-4mg/kg/day + MTX 10-20mg/wk (2) MTX 10-20mg/wk	61	CyA+MTX > MTX	45
1998	van den Borne et al.	R, DB, PC	24wk	(1) Clq 100-300mg/day (2) Clq 100-300mg/day + CyA 1.25mg/kg/day (3) Clq 100-300mg/day + CyA 2.5mg/kg/day	88	CyA+Clq > Clq	44
1996	Bendix et al.	R, DB, PC	6mo	(1) CyA 2.5-5mg/kg/day + i.m. gold 20-40mg (2) i.m. gold 20-40mg	40	NS	43
1995	Tugwell et al.	R, DB, PC	6mo	(1) CyA 2.5-5mg/day + MTX maximal tolerated dose (2) MTX maximal tolerated dose	148	CyA + MTX > MTX	42

O; open trial, R; randomized, DB; double blind, SB; single blind, PC; placebocontrolled

Clq; chloroquine, CyA; cyclosporin A, HCQ; hydroxychloroquine, mPSL; methylprednisolone, MTX; methotrexate, SSZ; sulfasalazine

NS; not significant

(Kitahara K & Kawai S. *Curr Opin Rheumatol* 2007;19:238)

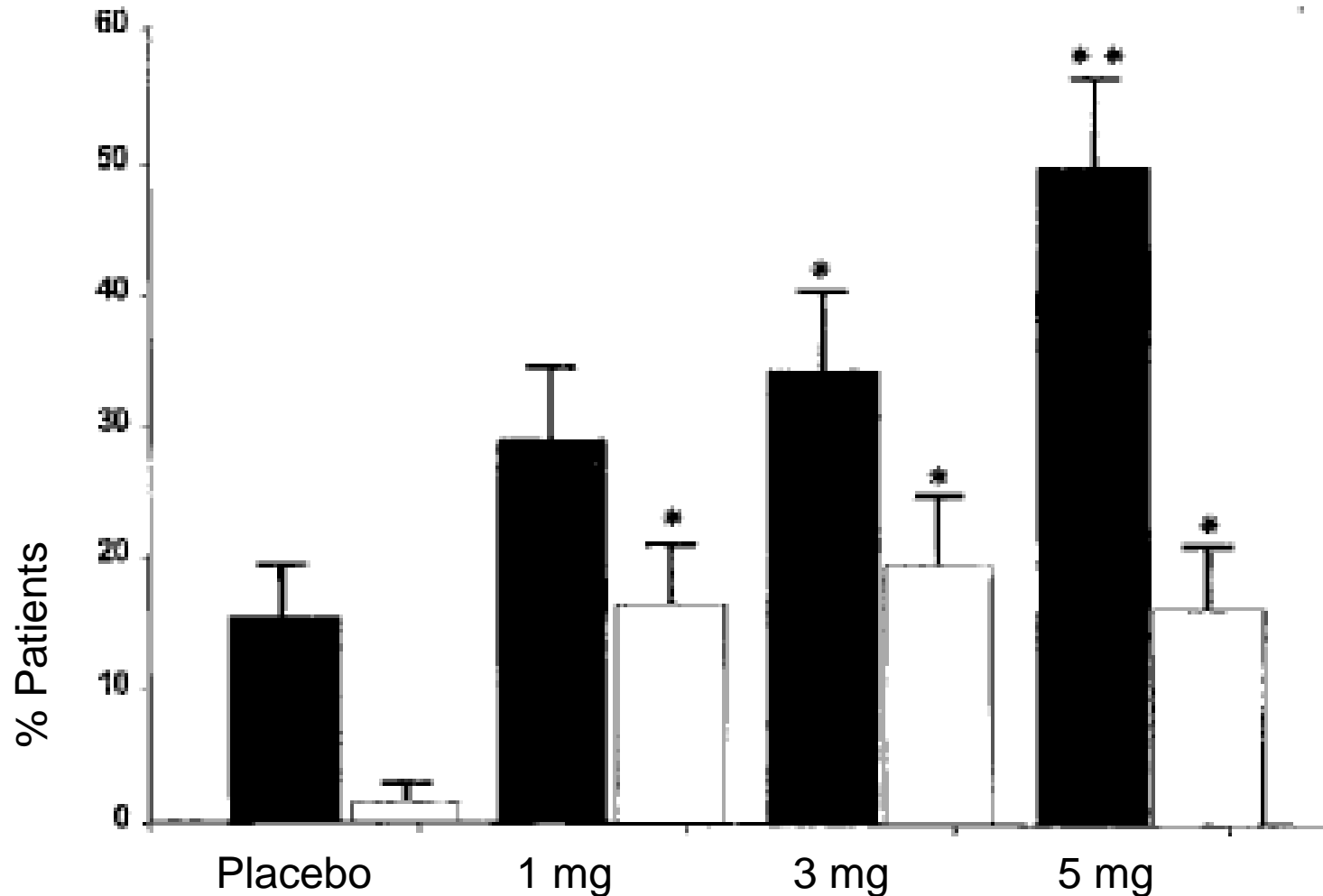


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Tacrolimus



ACR20 & 50 Response Rates for Tacrolimus Therapy in American RA Patients



(Furst DE, et al. *Arthritis Rheum* 2002;46:2020)



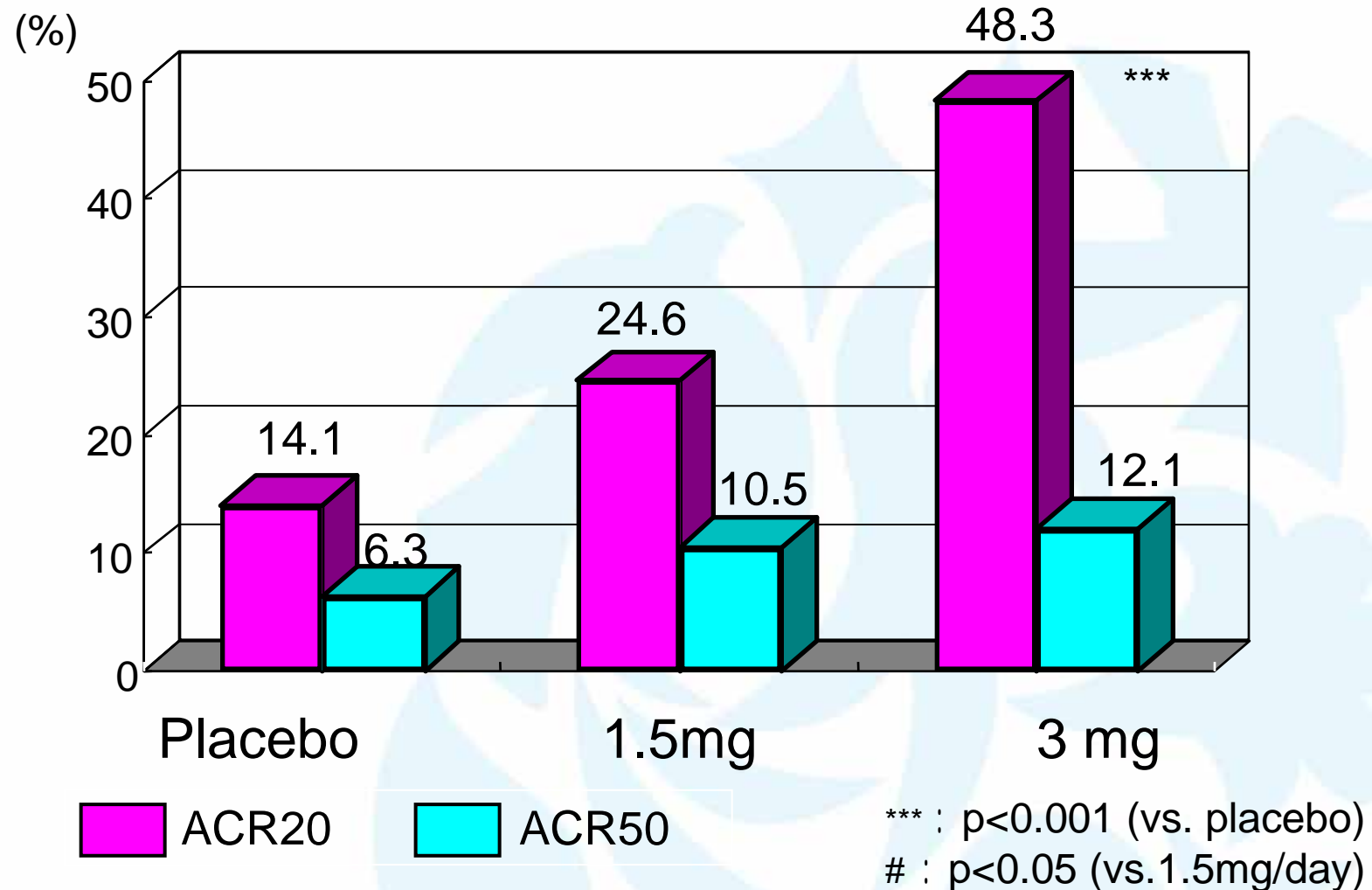
ACR20, 50, 70 Response Rates for Tacrolimus Therapy in American RA Patients

Treatment group	Response rate					
	ACR20		ACR50		ACR70	
	No. (%)	<i>P</i>	No. (%)	<i>P</i>	No. (%)	<i>P</i>
Placebo (n = 157)	21 (13.4)	–	7 (4.5)	–	1 (0.6)	–
Tacrolimus 2 mg (n = 154)	33 (21.4)	0.0595	18 (11.7)	0.0228	8 (5.2)	0.0425
Tacrolimus 3 mg (n = 153)	49 (32.0)	0.0001	18 (11.8)	0.0228	5 (3.3)	0.1314

(Yocum DE, et al. *Arthritis Rheum* 2003;48:3328)



ACR20 & 50 Response Rates for Tacrolimus Therapy in Japanese RA Patients (4Mo)



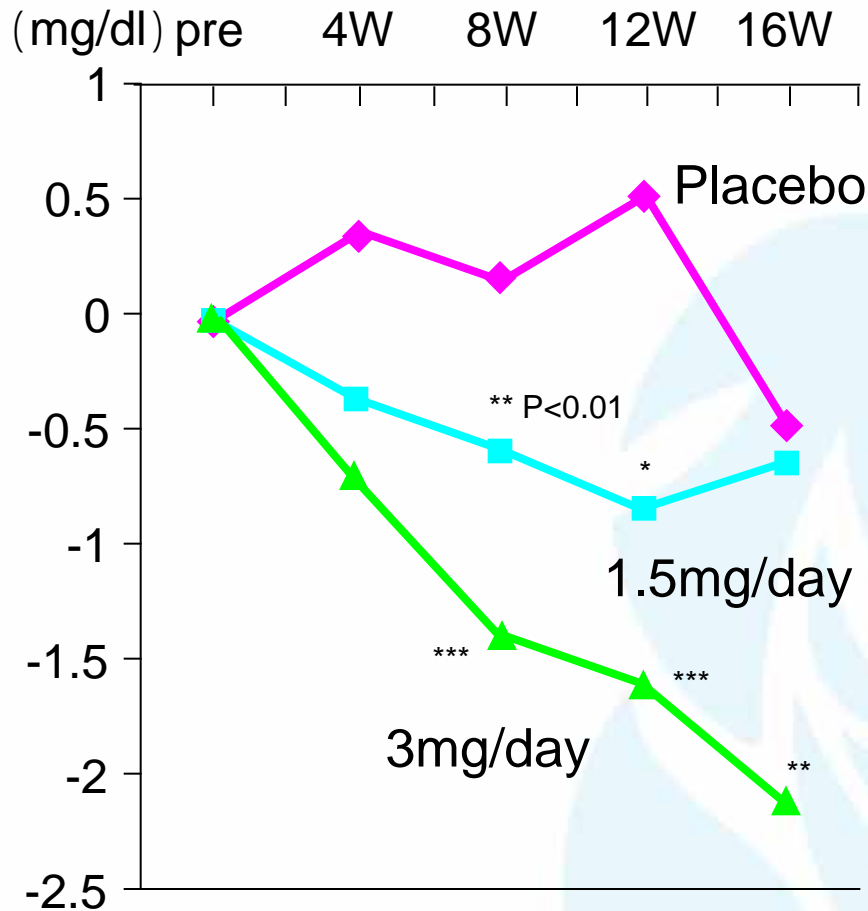
(Kondo Y, et al. *J Rheumatol* 2004;31:243)



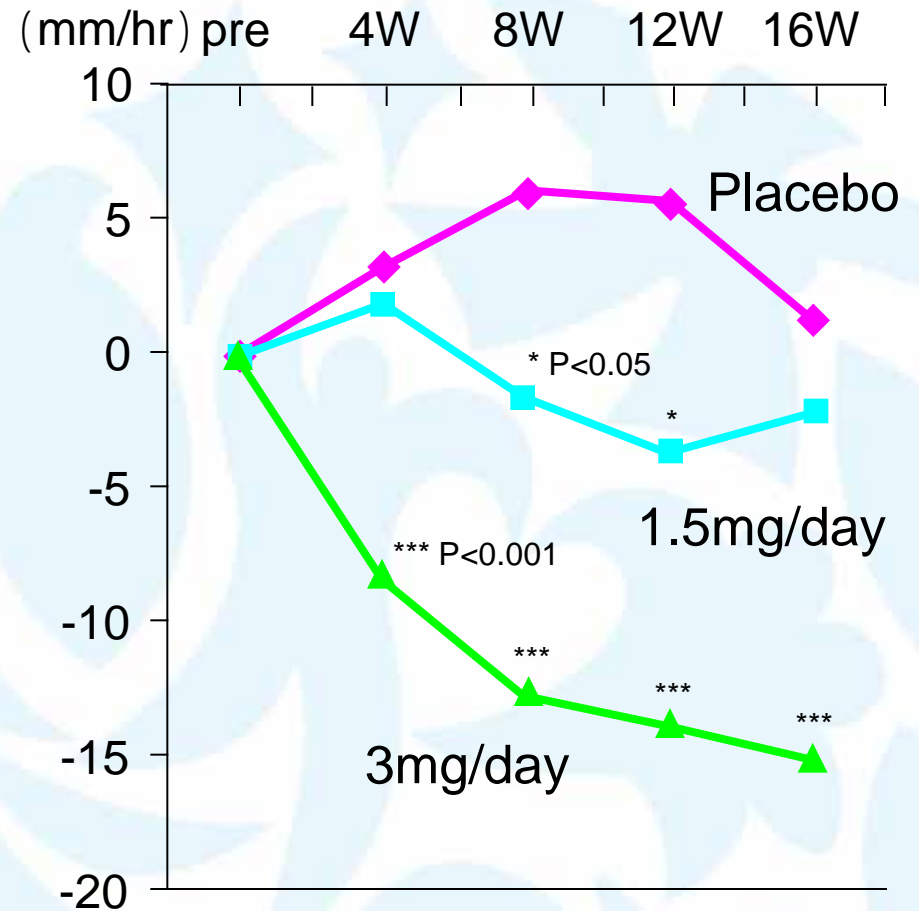
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Effects of Tacrolimus on RA Patients

CRP



ESR

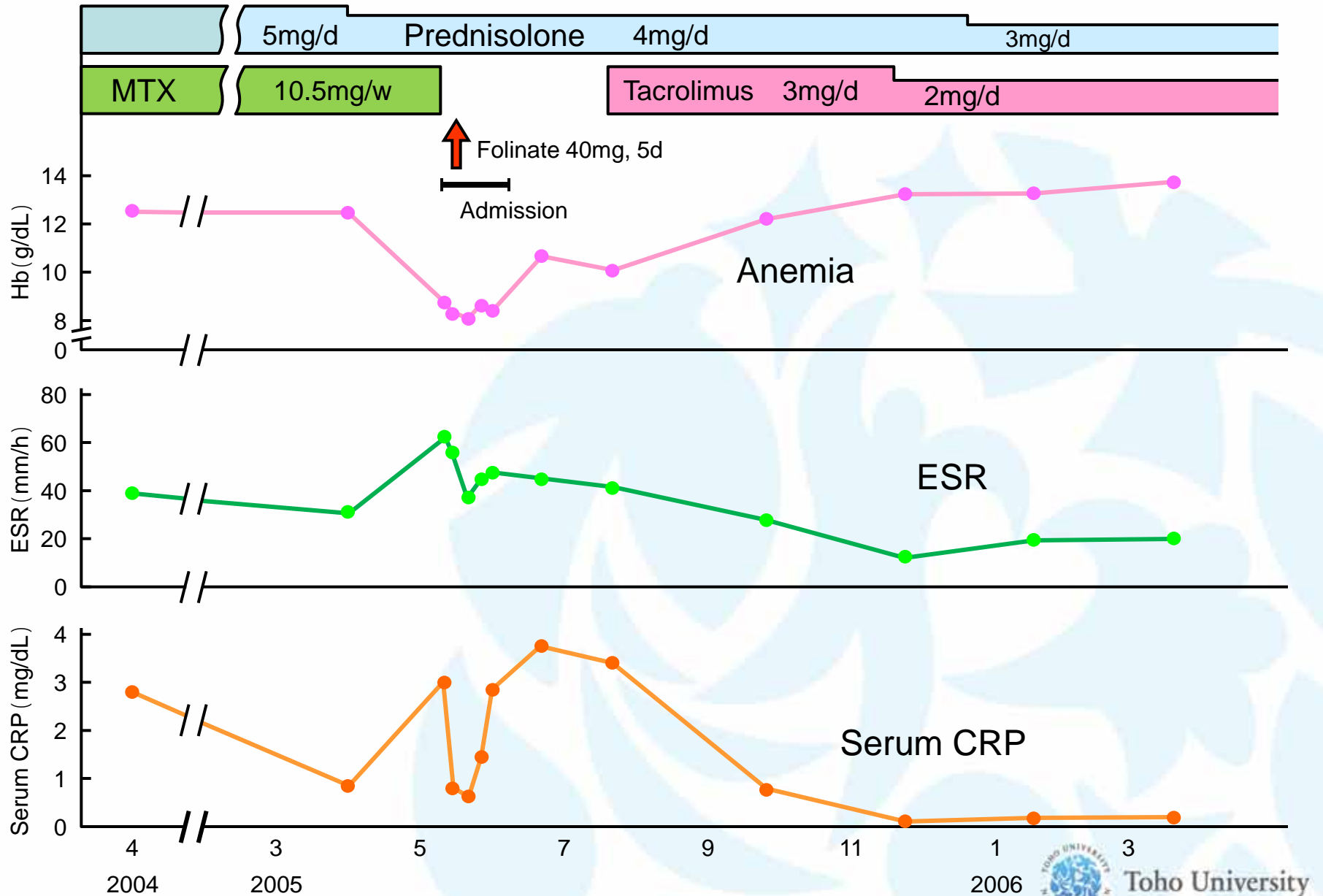


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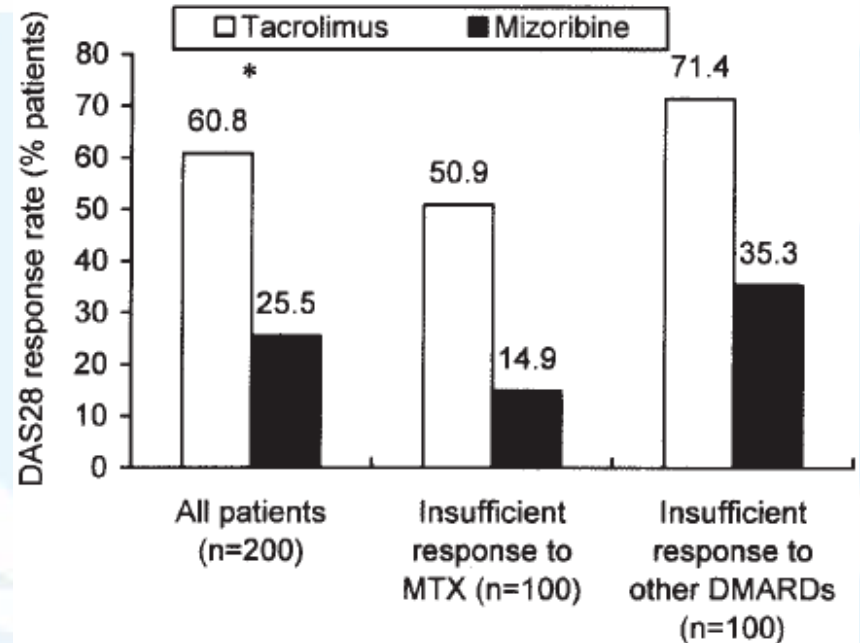
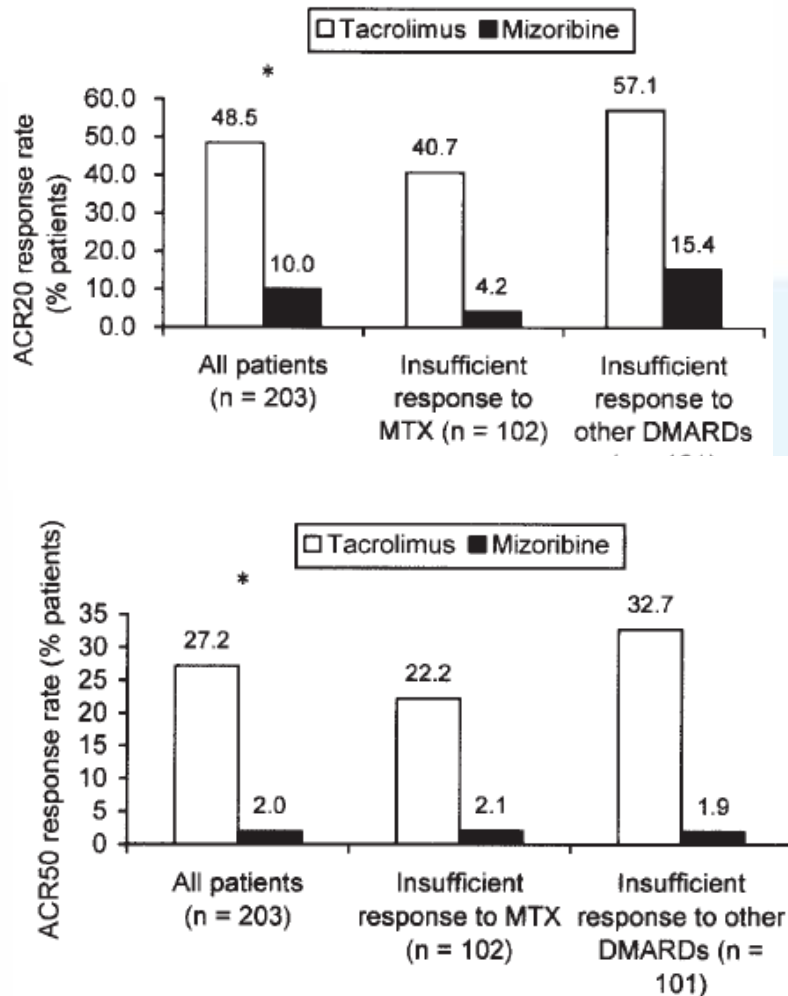


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56y.o. Female Patient with RA



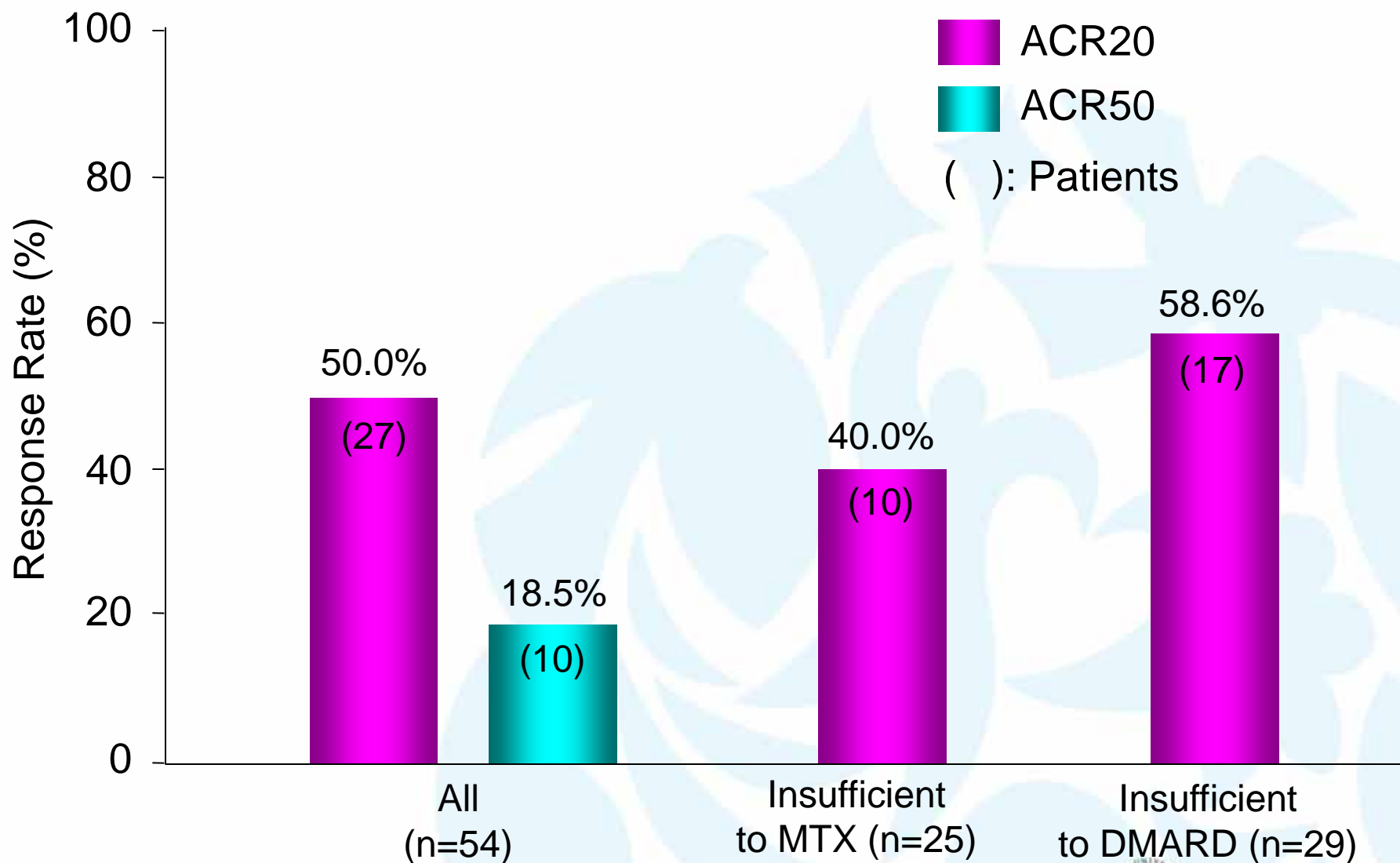
ACR20, 50, and DAS28 Response Rates for Tacrolimus and Mizoribine in Japanese RA Patients



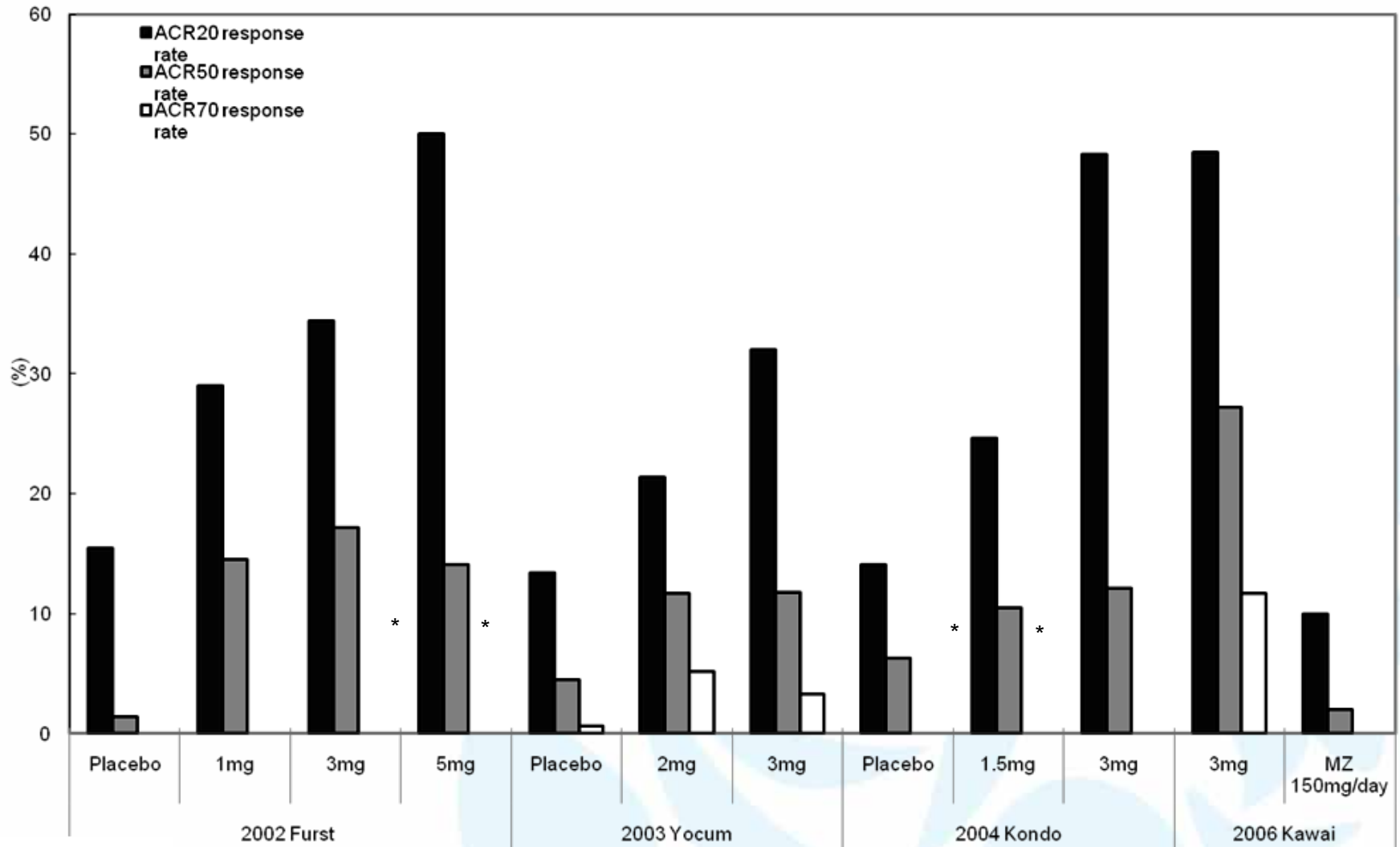
(Kawai S, et al. *J Rheumatol* 2006;33:2153)



Open Study of Tacrolimus in the Elderly Japanese RA Patients



Comparison of ACR Response Rates to Tacrolimus in RCT for RA Patients



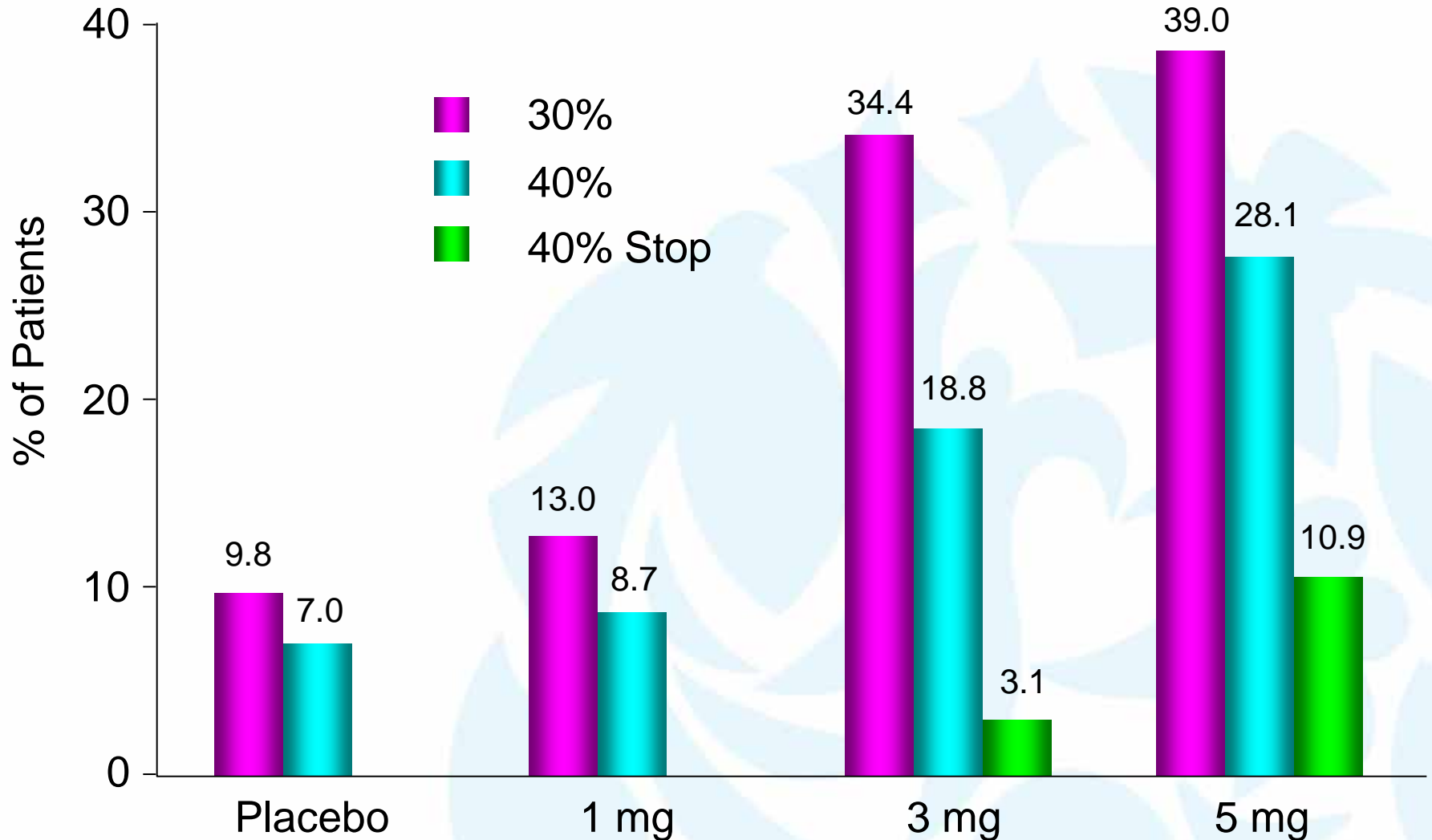
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% of Patients with Increases in Serum Cr Levels Relative to Baseline



(Furst DE, et al. *Arthritis Rheum* 2002;46:2020)



Increase in Serum Cr after Tacrolimus & MTX Therapy in American RA Patients

Table 2. Incidence of increase in serum creatinine (Cr) among patients who received at least one dose of study drug and for whom a baseline and at least one on-treatment Cr measurement were available*

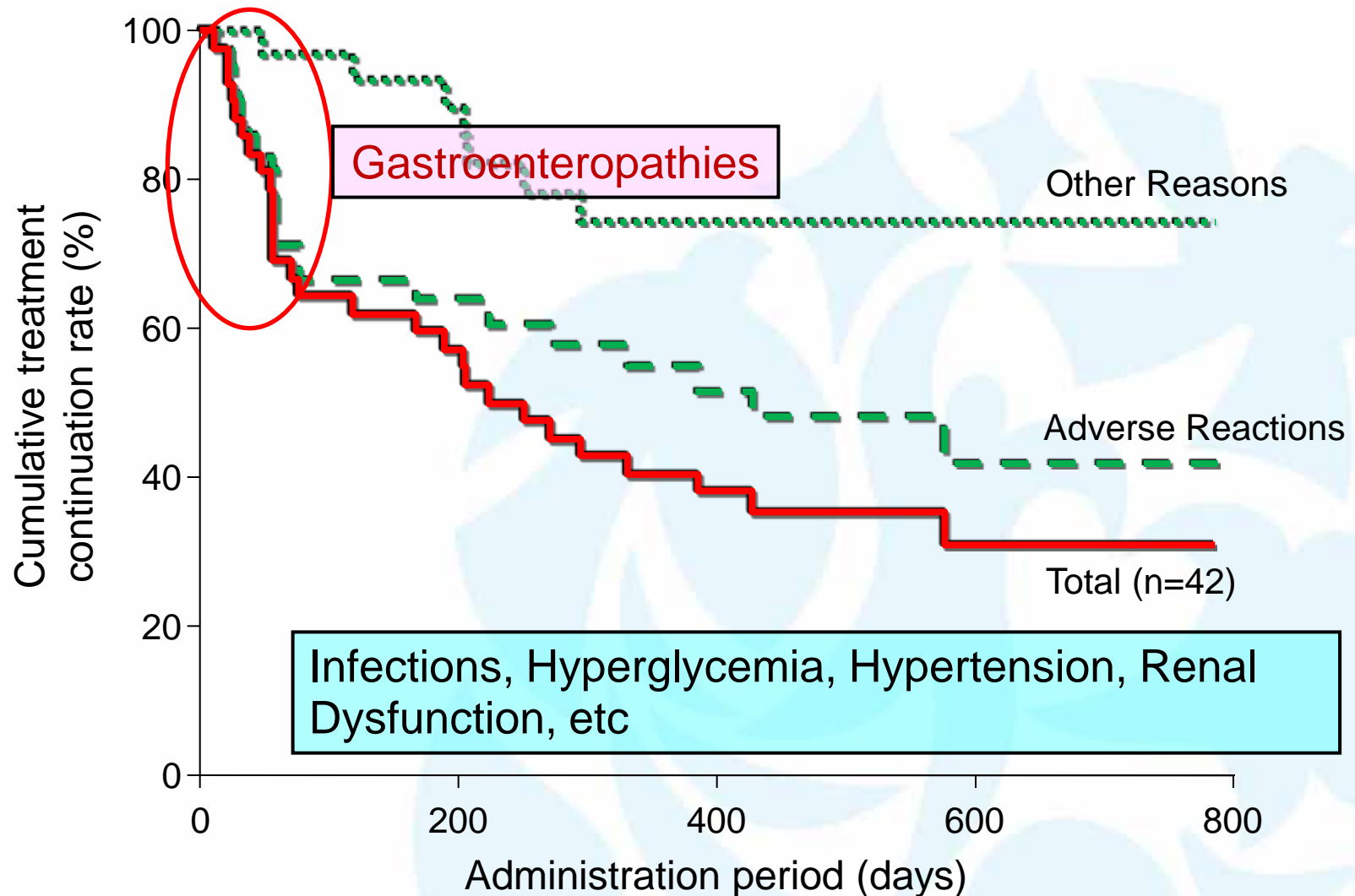
Serum Cr	Tacrolimus 3 mg + MTX 5–12.5 mg/week (n = 35)	Tacrolimus 3 mg + MTX 15–20 mg/week (n = 45)	Total (n = 80)
% increase from baseline			
≥30% to <40%			
Maximum†	4 (11.4)	5 (11.1)	9 (11.3)
End of treatment	2 (5.7)	4 (8.9)	6 (7.5)
≥40%			
Maximum†	7 (20)	7 (15.6)	14 (17.5)
End of treatment	3 (8.6)	3 (6.7)	6 (7.5)
Maximum on-treatment value			
≥0.5 mg/dl to ≤1.4 mg/dl‡	34 (97.1)	43 (95.6)	77 (96.3)
>1.4 mg/dl to ≤1.8 mg/dl	1 (2.9)	2 (4.4)	3 (3.7)
>1.8 mg/dl	0	0	0

* Values are the number (percentage) of patients.

† Maximum increase during treatment, from baseline.

‡ Normal range.

Cumulative Treatment Continuation Rate to Tacrolimus Therapy for RA Patients



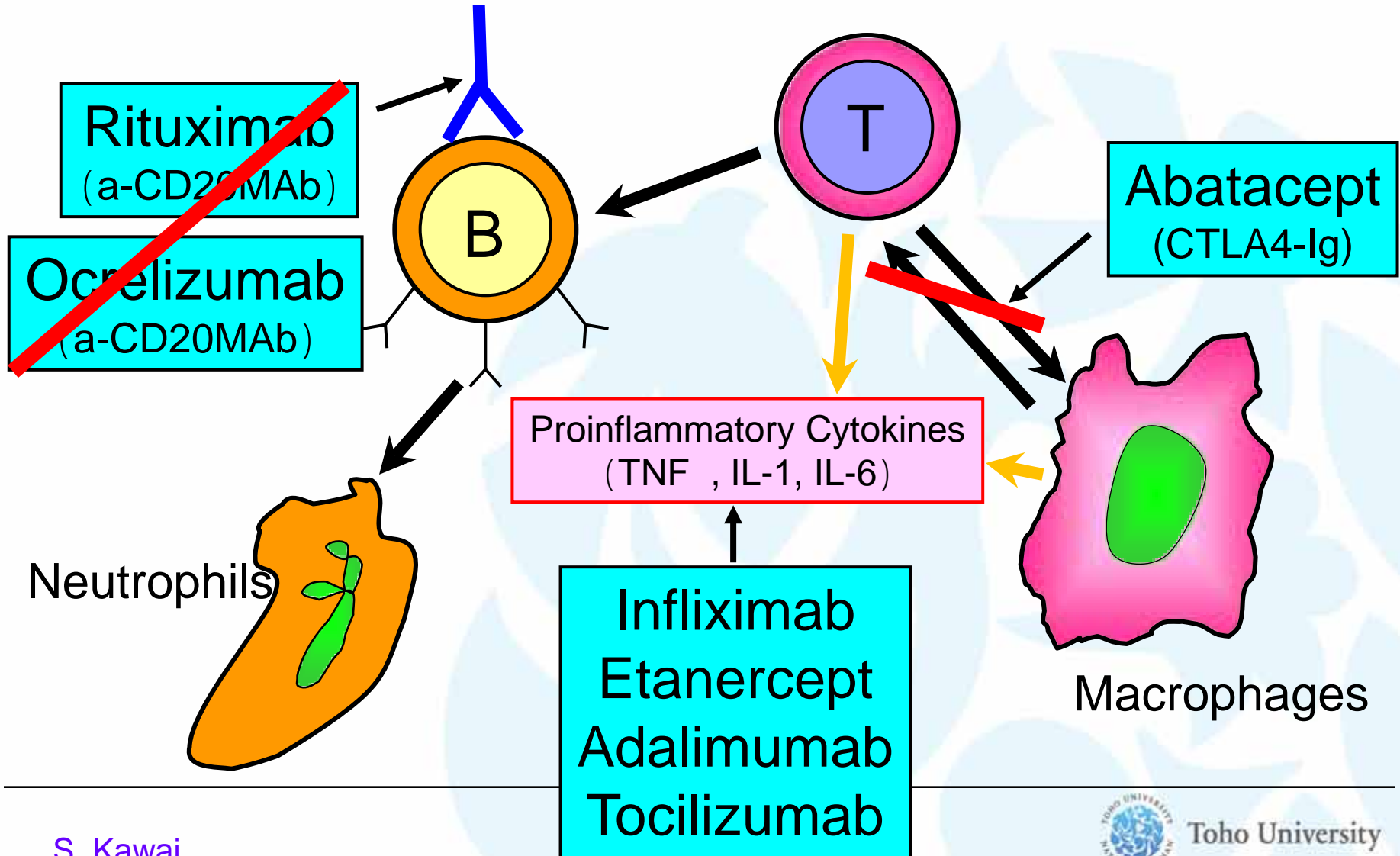
(Akimoto K, et al. *Clin Rheumatol*, 2008;27:1393)



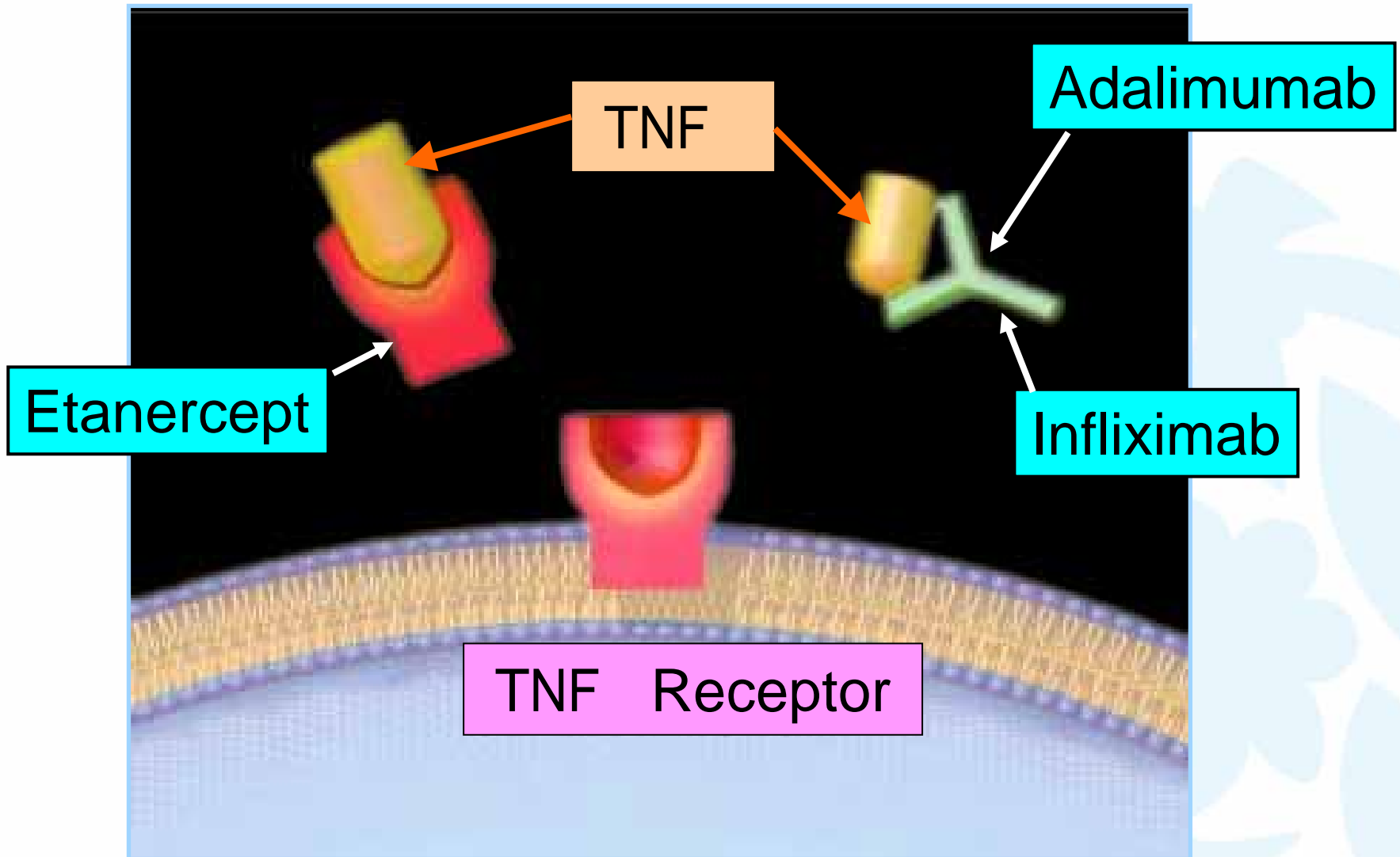
Biological Agents








Recent Biological Agents



TNF Inhibitors for RA Patients



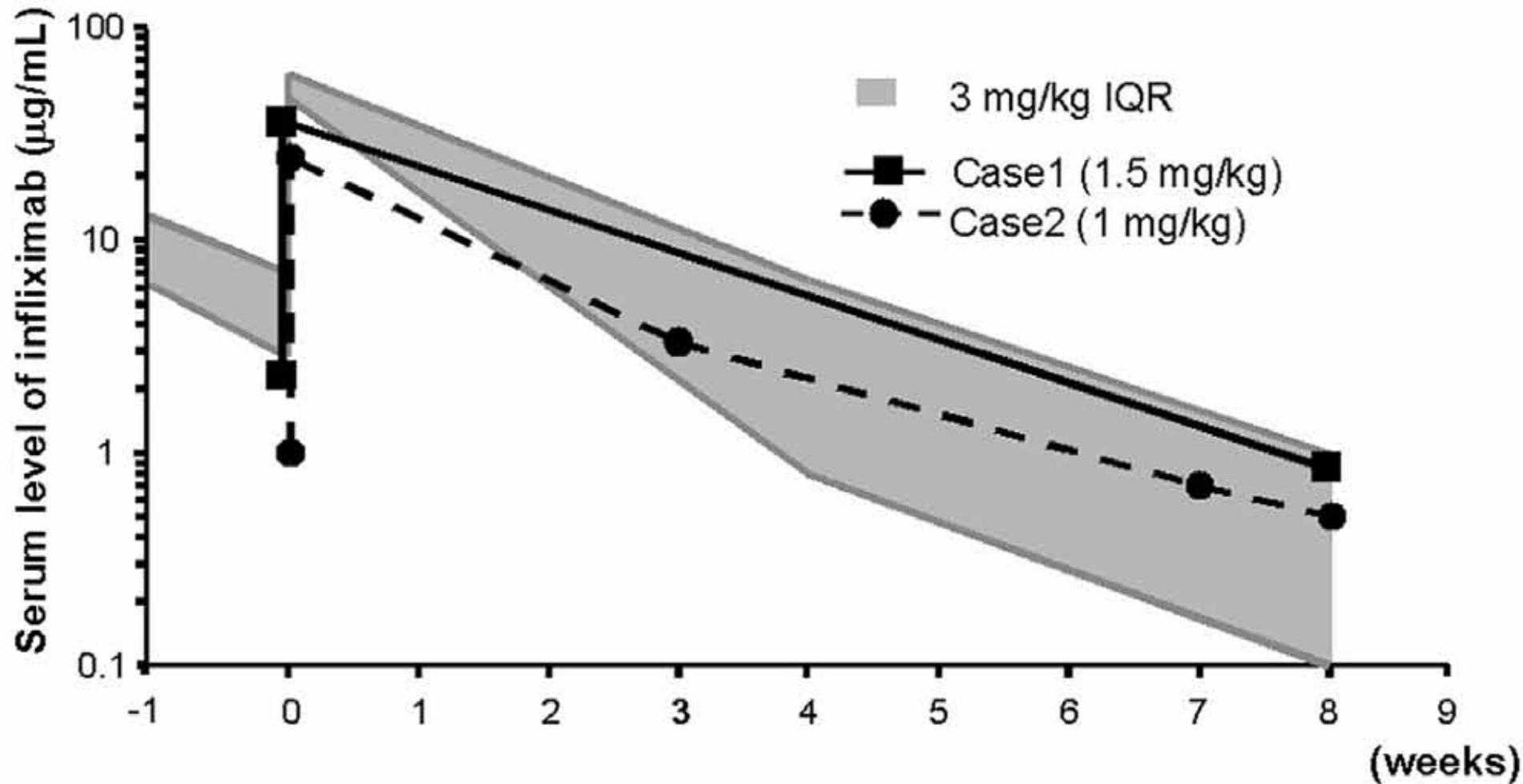
Various Biologic Drugs: TNF Antagonists

		Compound	
Approved			
Chimeric anti-TNF mAb (IgG1)		Infliximab	
TNF-receptor p75 IgG1 construct		Etanercept	
Fully human anti-TNF mAb (IgG1)		Adalimumab	
In late-stage development			
PEGylated humanized anti-TNF Fab fragment		CDP870	
TNF-receptor p55 PEG		PEG-sTNF-R1	
● Human	● Mouse	● Synthetic element	— = Polyethylene glycol

Infliximab



Concentration versus Time Curves for Infliximab in Our RA Patients



(Nishio S, et al. *Mod Rheumatol* 2009;19:329)



PK Data for Our RA Patients and A Japanese Clinical Trial

	C1h ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	Ctrough ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	$t_{1/2}$ (hrs)
Patient 1 (1.5 mg/kg)	35.6	1.2	274.8
Patient 2 (1 mg/kg)	24.3	0.5	245.3
Trial median*	53.3	0.5	159.5
(Interquartile range)	(46.7-60.5)	(<0.1-1.0)	(45.6-232.8)

(Nishio S, et al. *Mod Rheumatol* 2009;19:329)



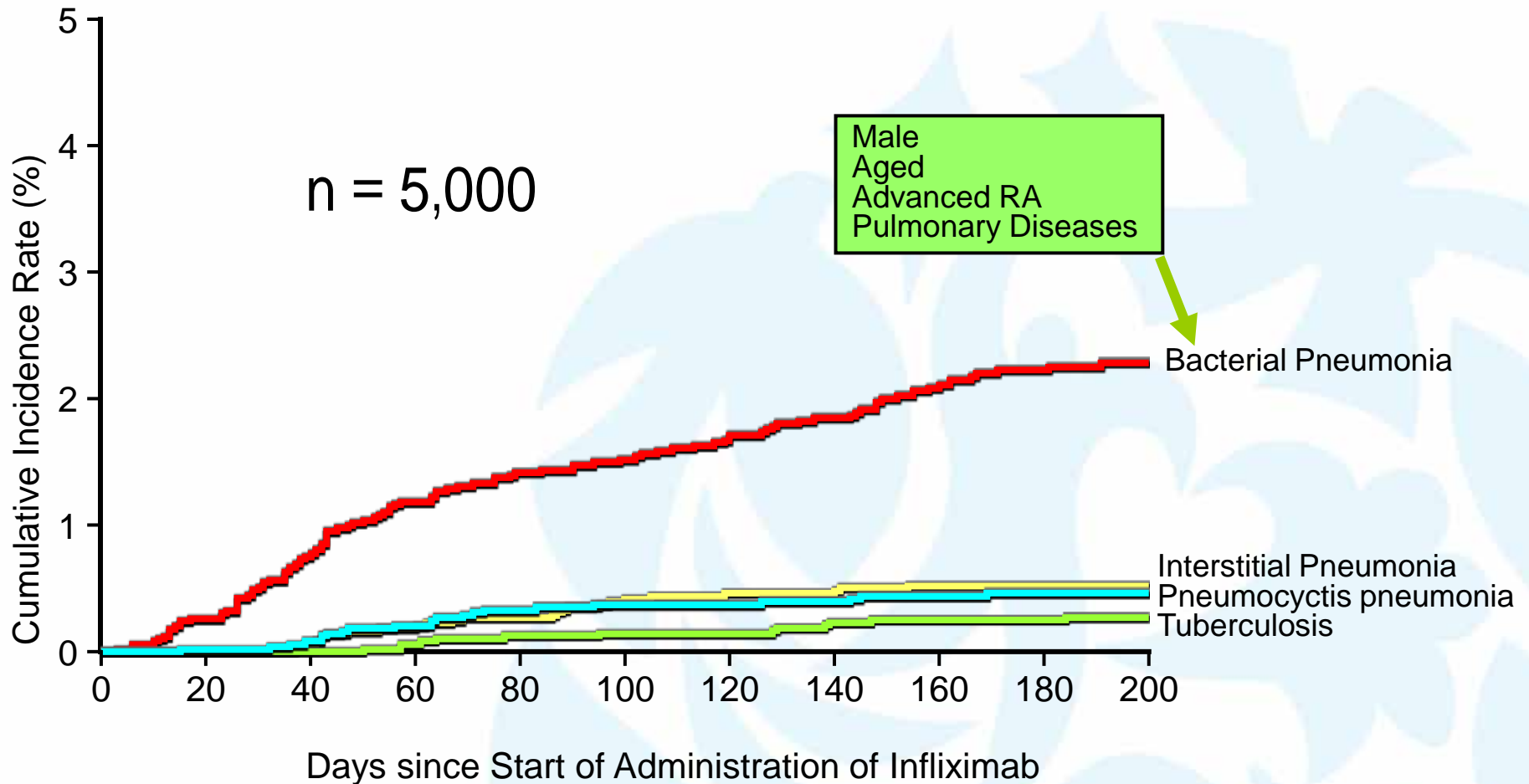
Fcγ Receptor Gene Polymorphisms in Our RA Patients Controlled by Low-Dose Infliximab

	Patient 1	Patient 2
FcγRIIA	131H/H	131H/H
FcγRIIIA	176F/F	176F/F
FcγRIIIB	NA1/NA2	NA2/NA2

(Nishio S, et al. *Mod Rheumatol* 2009;19:329)



Cumulative Incidence Rate of Complications in RA Patients on Infliximab Therapy



(Takeuchi T, et al. *Ann Rheum Dis* 2008;67:189)



Comparisons between PMS of Infliximab and Etanercept in Japanese RA Patients

	Infliximab	Etanercept
Duration	2003.7 - 2005.8.	2005.3 - 2007.4
Patient Number	5,000	7,091
Adverse Event	1,401 (28.0%)	2,173 (30.6%)
Severe A.E.	308 (6.2%)	403 (5.7%)
Pneumonia	108 (2.2%)	102 (1.4%)
Tuberculosis	14 (0.28%)	10 (0.14%)
PCP	25 (0.50%)	16 (0.23%)
Int. Pneumonia	22 (0.44%)	44 (0.62%)

PCP= Pneumocystis Pneumonia

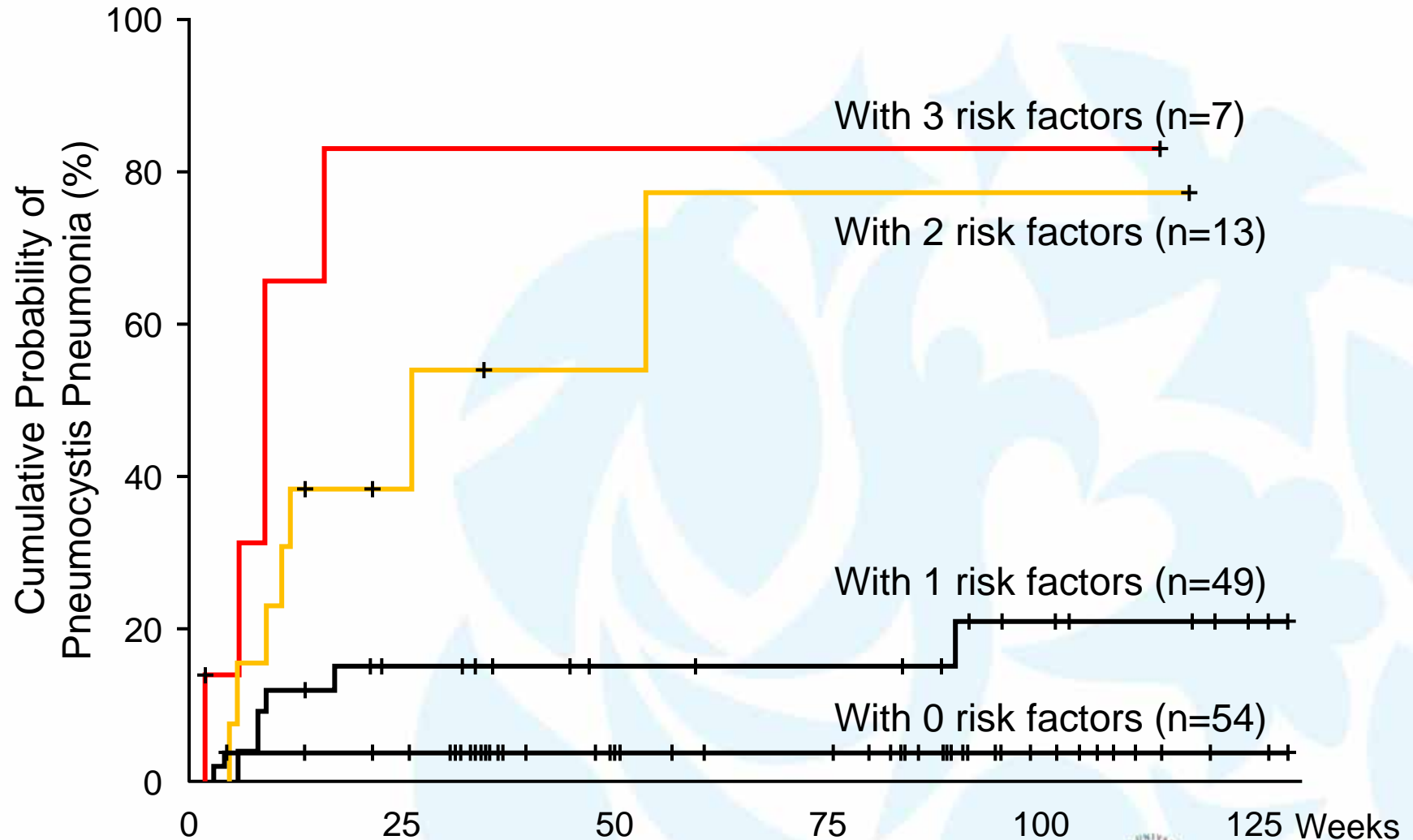
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(Koike T, et al. *J Rheumatol.* 2009;36:898)



Cumulative Probability of Pneumocystis Pneumonia in RA Patients on Infliximab Therapy

(Risk Factors: Elderly; >6mg Prednisolone; Pulmonary Diseases)



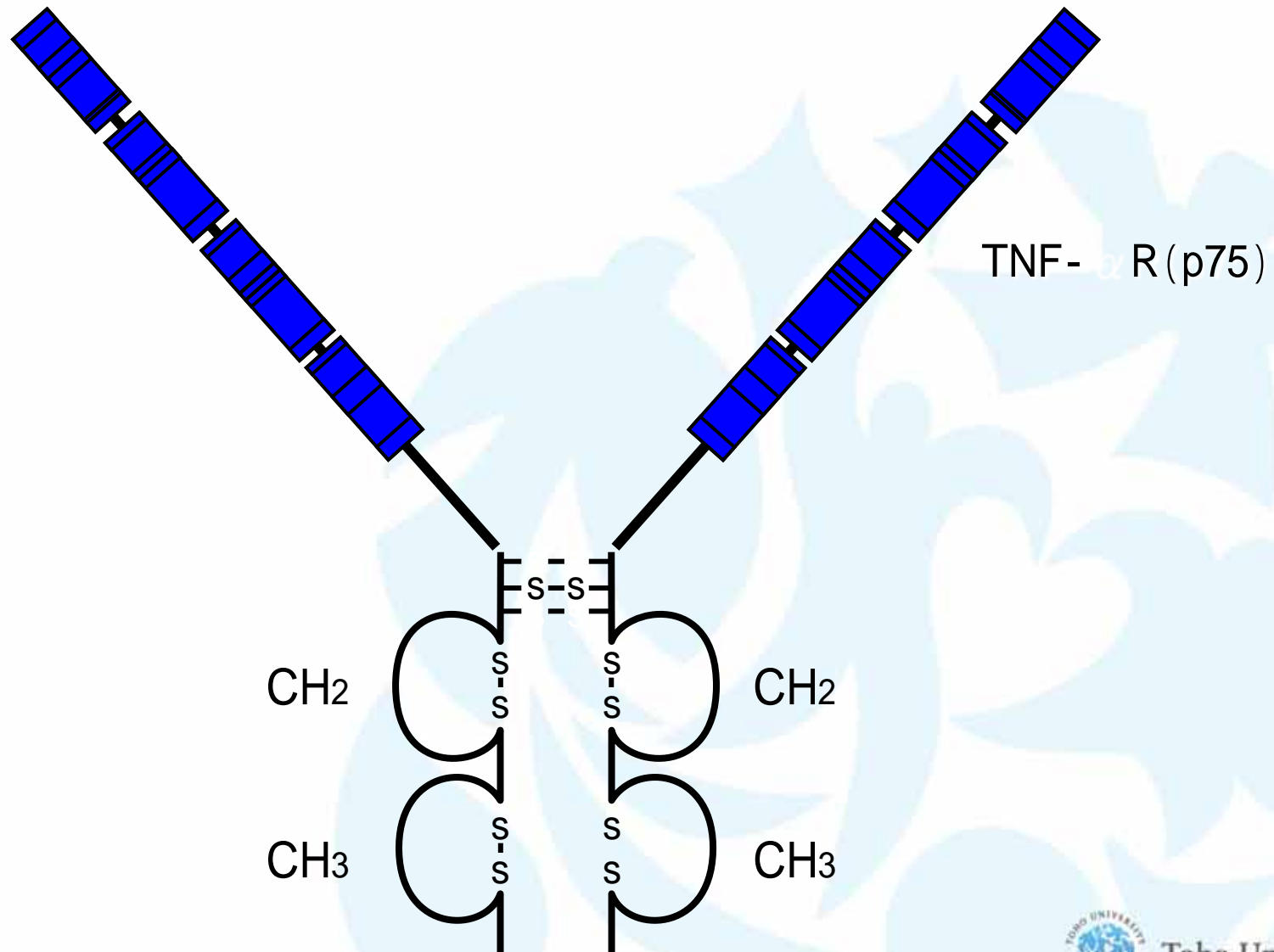
(Harigai M, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2007; 357:1874)



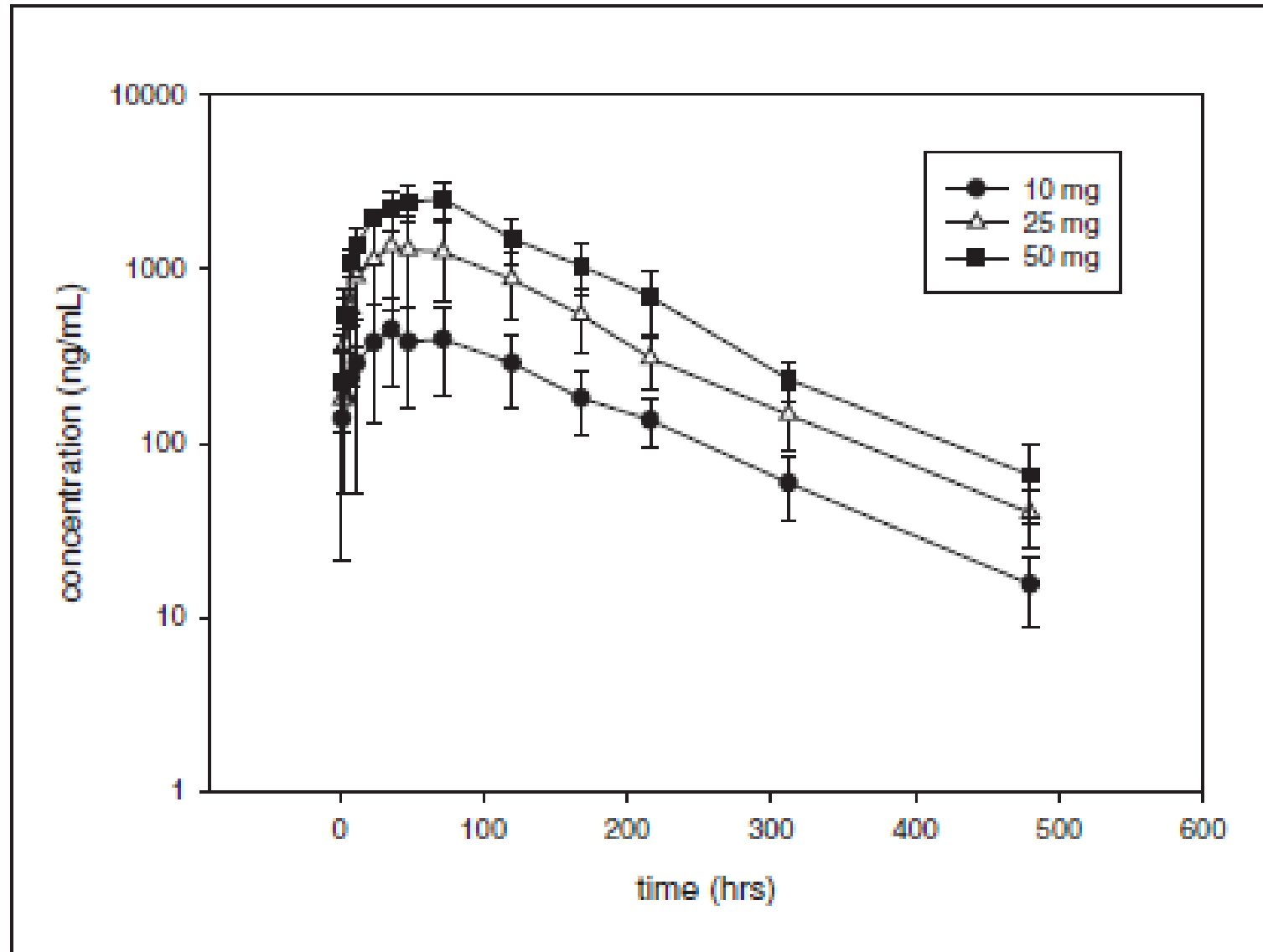
Etanercept



Structure of Etanercept



Serum Etanercept in Japanese Volunteers



(Kawai S, et al. *J Clin Pharmacol* 2006;46:418)



Comparison of PK of Etanercept between Japanese & American Volunteers

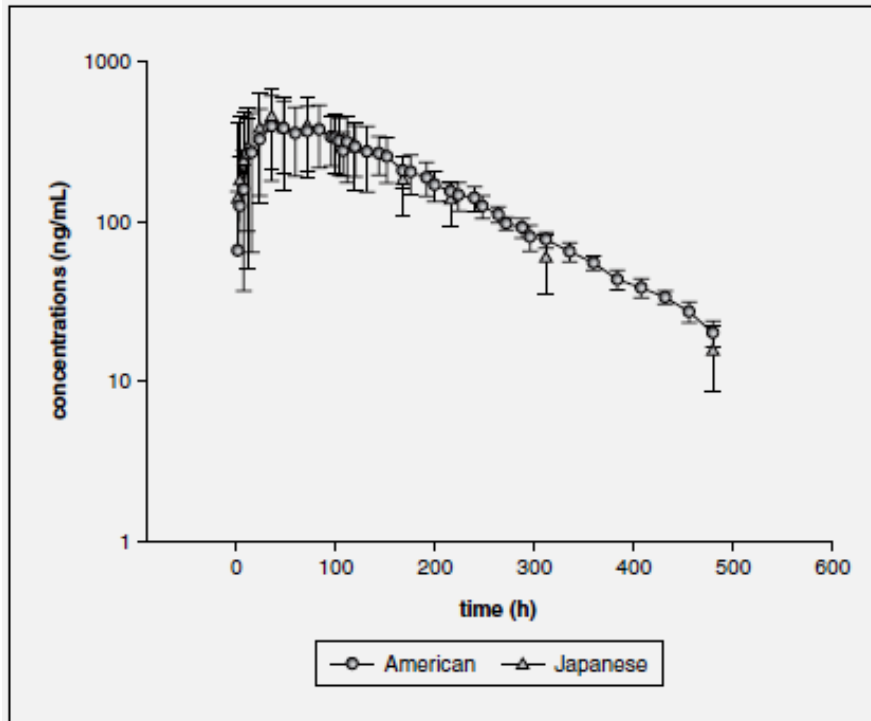


Figure 2. Mean \pm SD serum etanercept concentrations after single 10-mg doses.

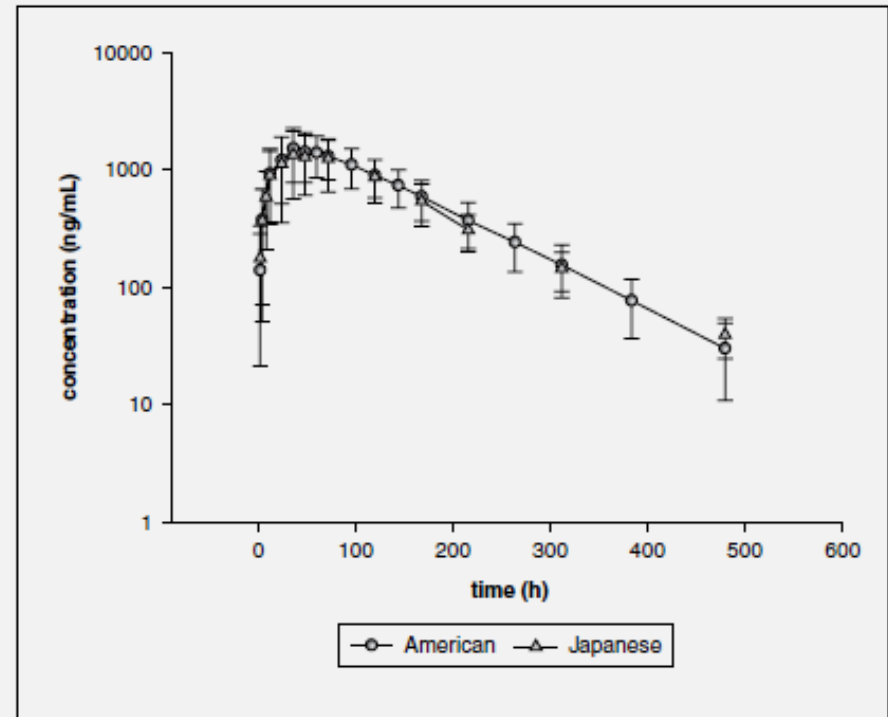


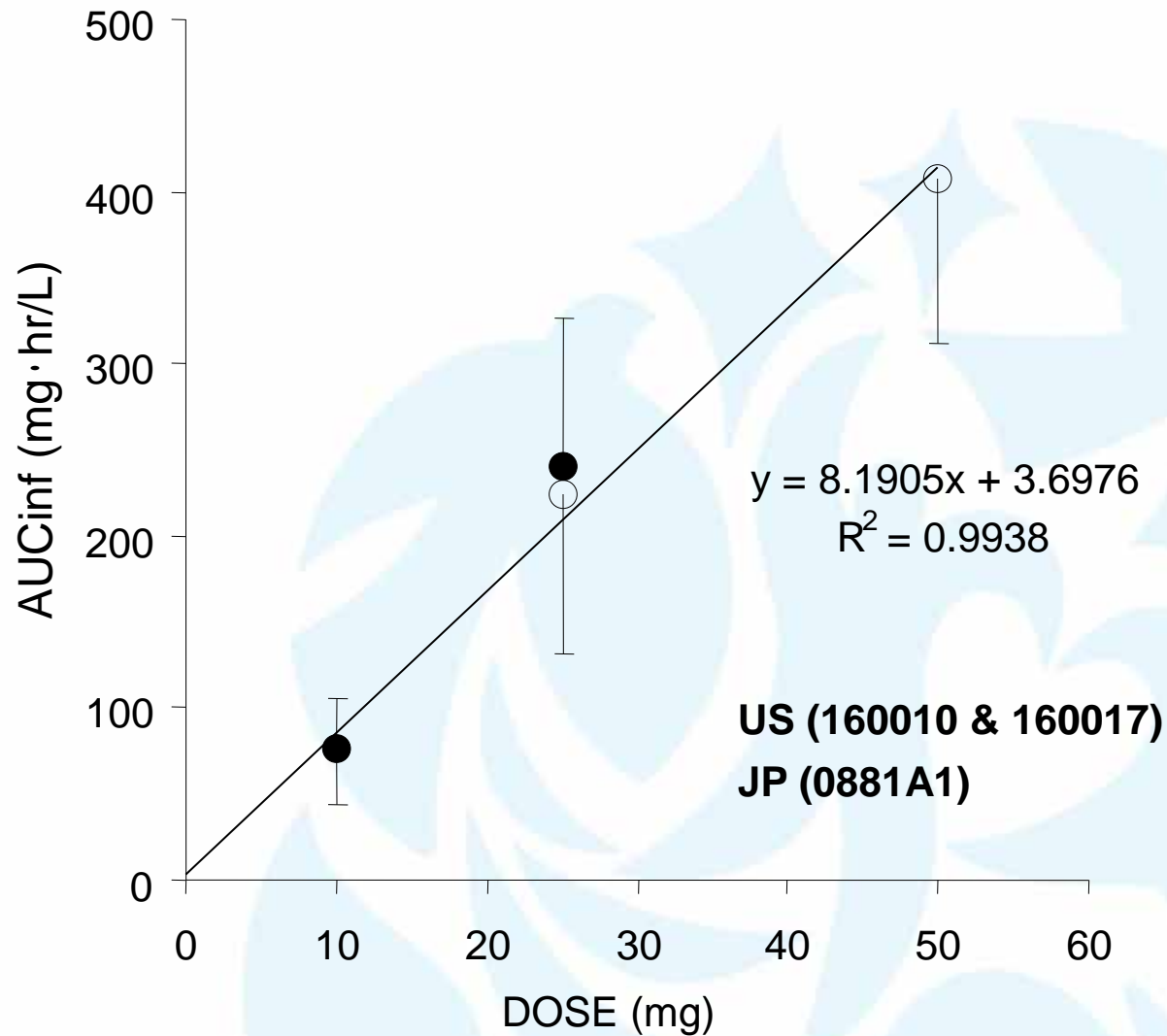
Figure 3. Mean \pm SD serum etanercept concentrations after single 25-mg doses.

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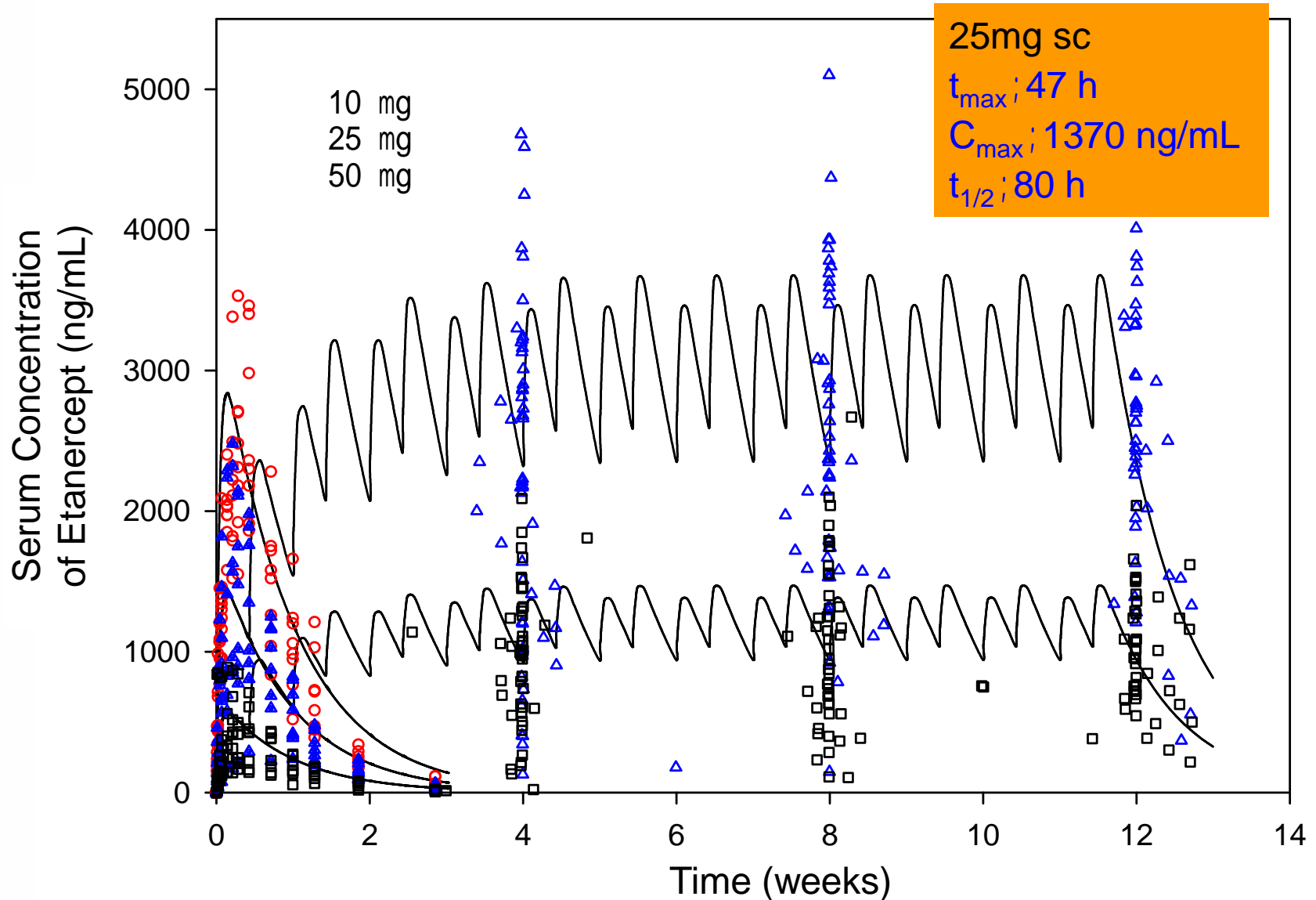
Relationship between $AUC_{0-\infty}$ and Dose of Etanercept in Japanese & American Healthy Subjects



(Calculated from Kawai S, et al. *J Clin Pharmacol* 2006;46:418)



Simulation of Serum Etanercept Concentration



(Calculated from Kawai S, et al. *J Clin Pharmacol* 2006;46:418)



Comparison of PD of Etanercept between Japanese & American Patients

