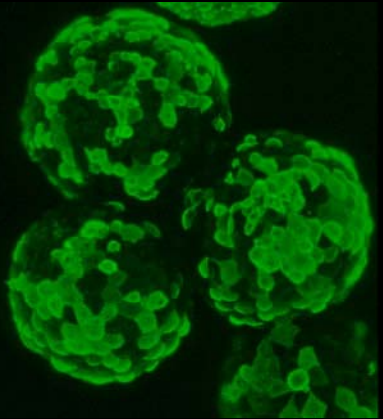
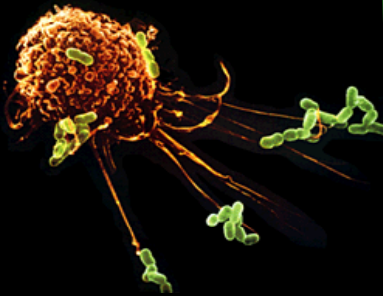
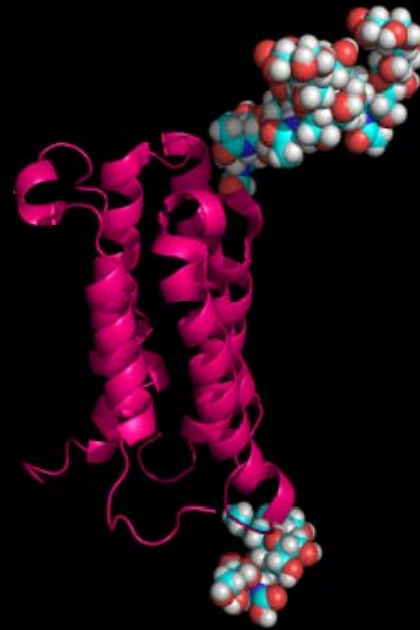


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Development of Novel Hyperglycosylated Type I IFNs: A Strategy to Improve PK Without Loss of Biological Potency



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Clinical Needs for Novel Interferons

» Chronic Hepatitis C

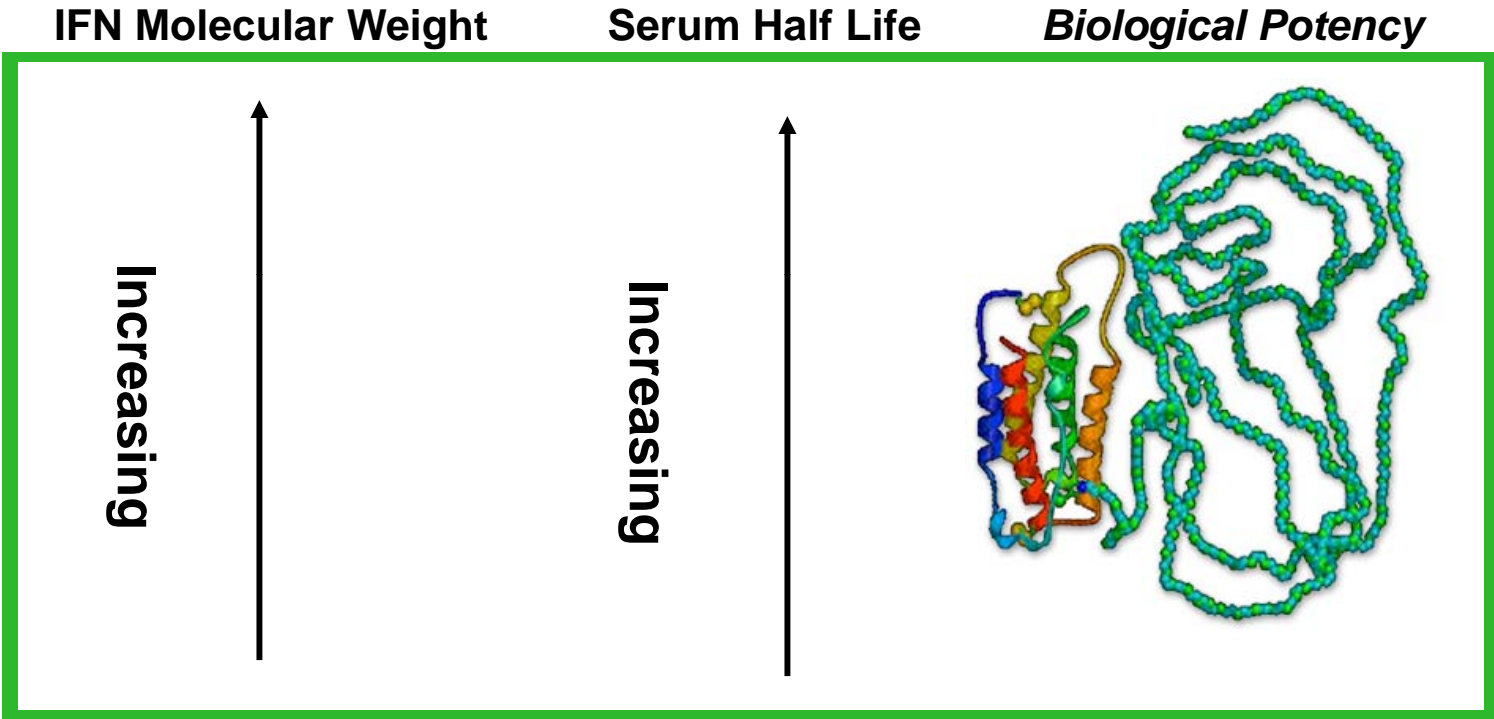
- Currently less than 50% of HCV genotype 1 patients can achieve a SVR following Peg-IFN + Ribavirin Therapy
- STAT-C Promising But Some Patients May Not Benefit From 1 Direct Antiviral + Peg-IFN + Ribavirin

» HBV

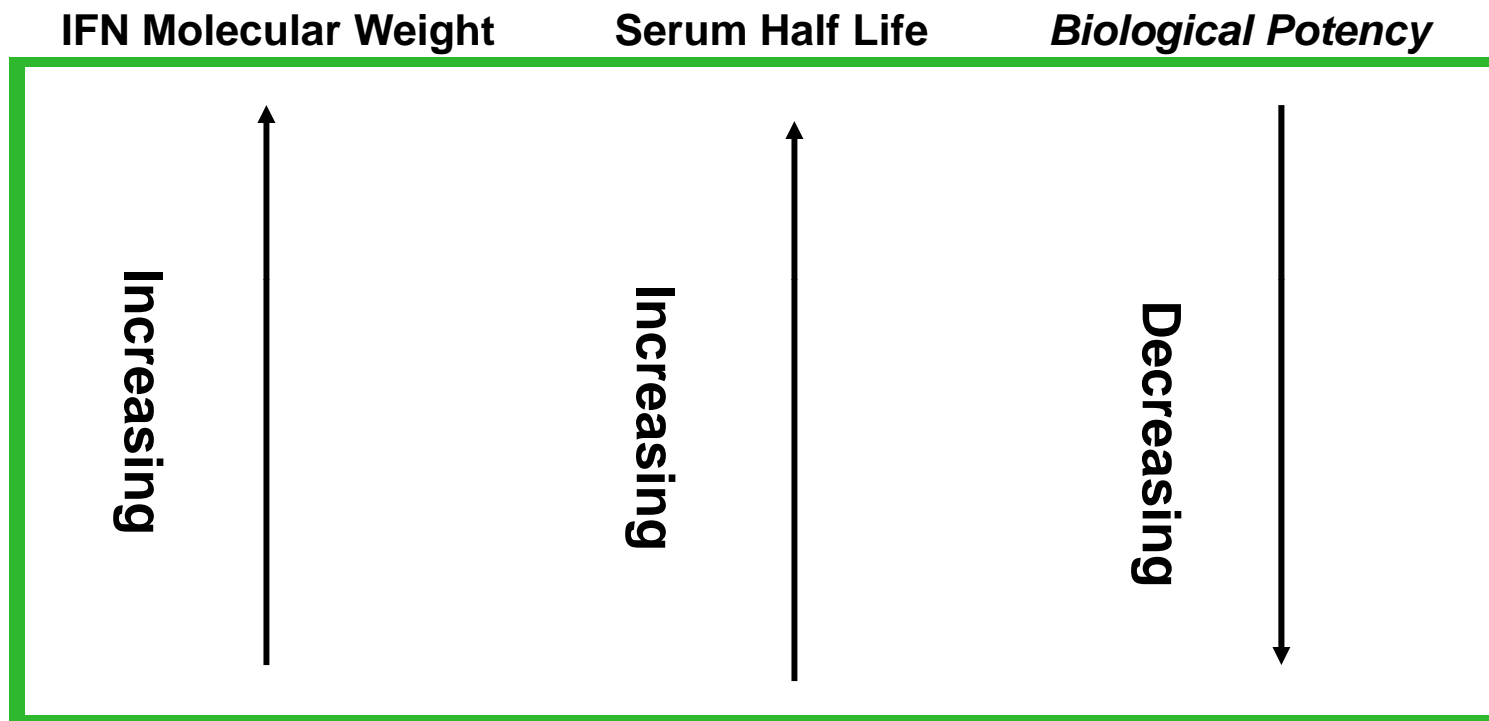
- Goal of Therapy is Sero-conversion in HBeAg positive patients

Non-Responders to Triple Rx May Require Novel IFN

The Pegylation model for improving PK

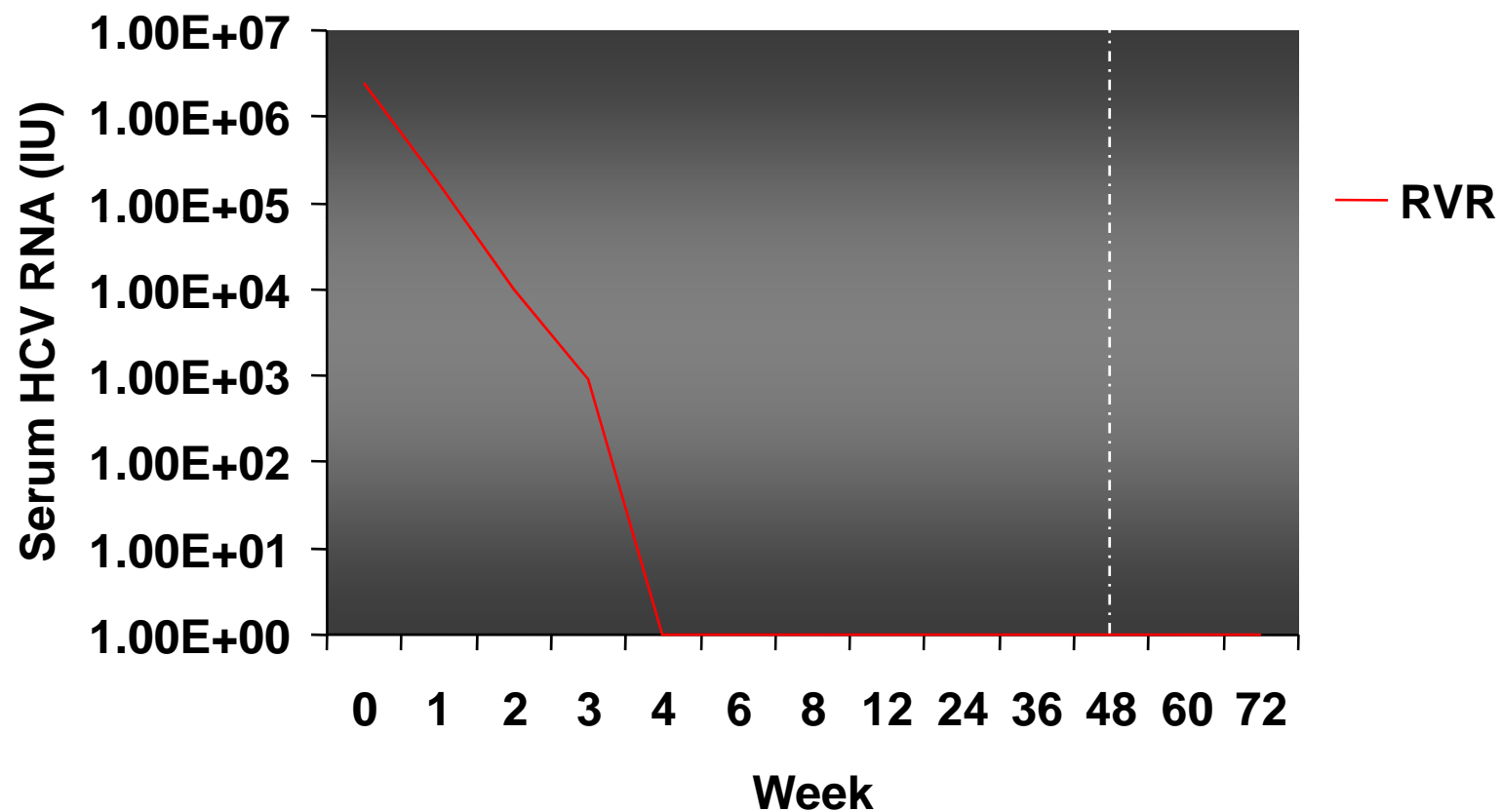


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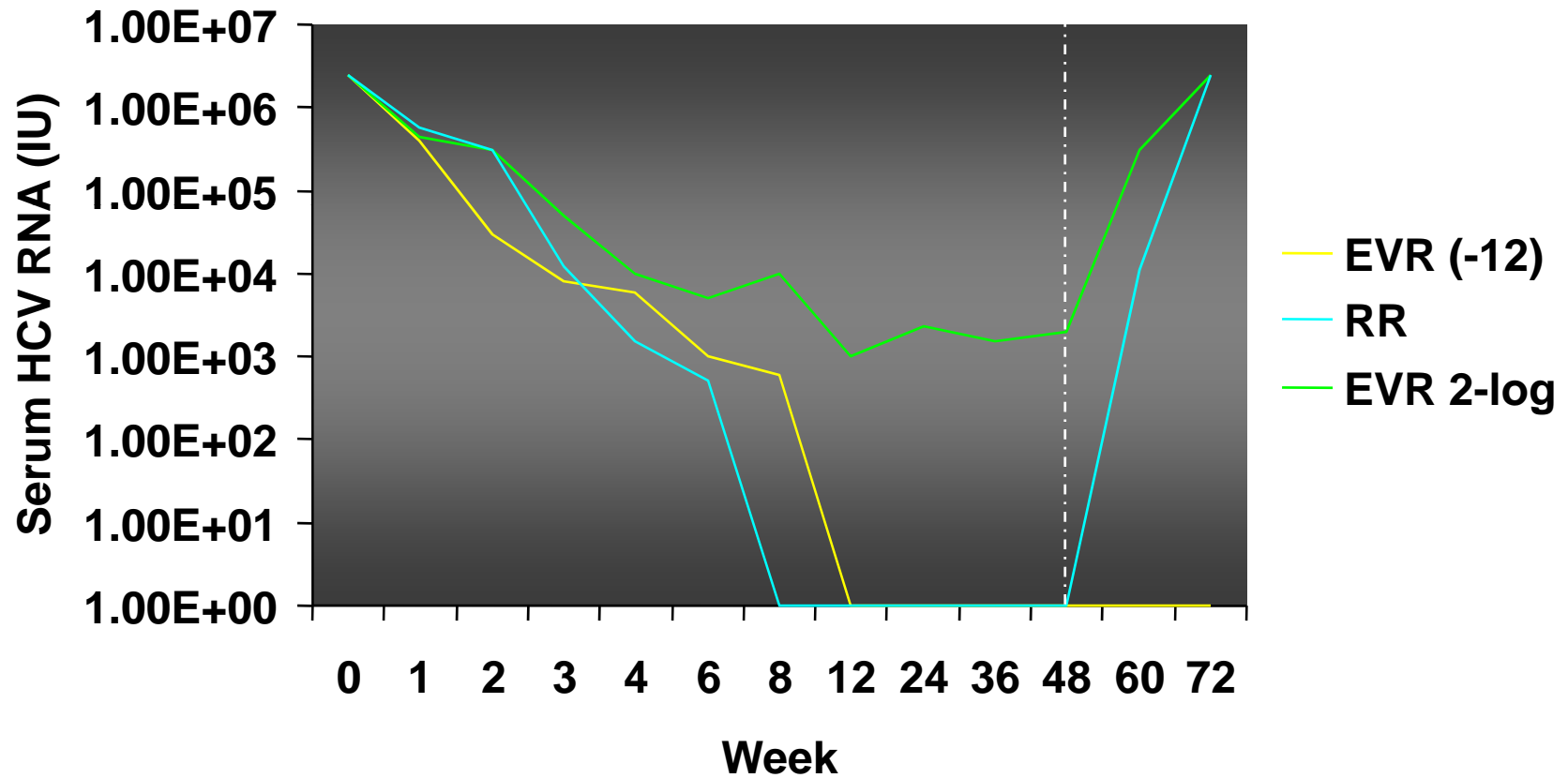
IFN with improved PK but undiminished potency may have advantage

Patterns of Response to Peg-IFN +Ribavirin



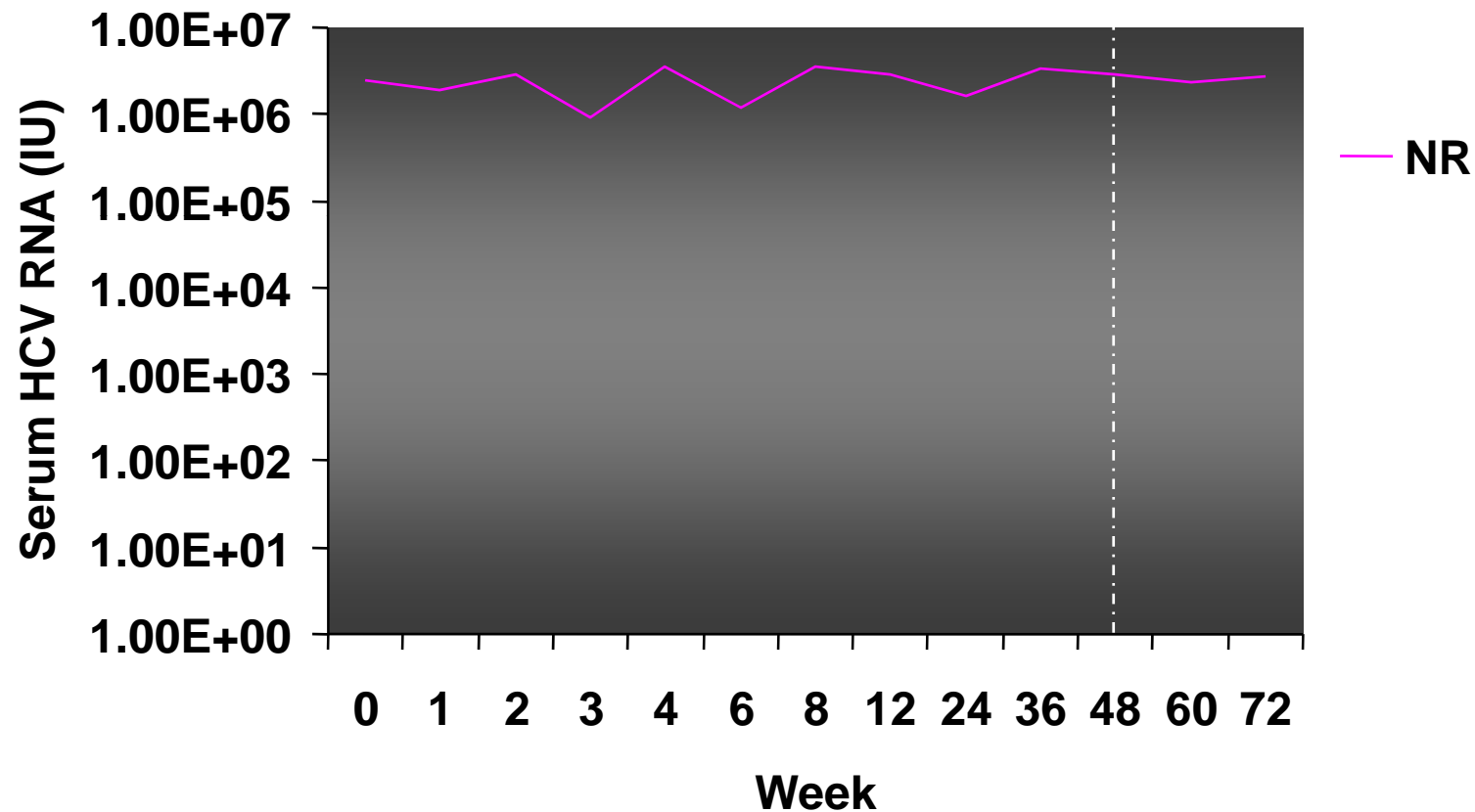
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Patterns of Response to Peg-IFN +Ribavirin: Patients Who May Benefit From STAT-C Triple Rx



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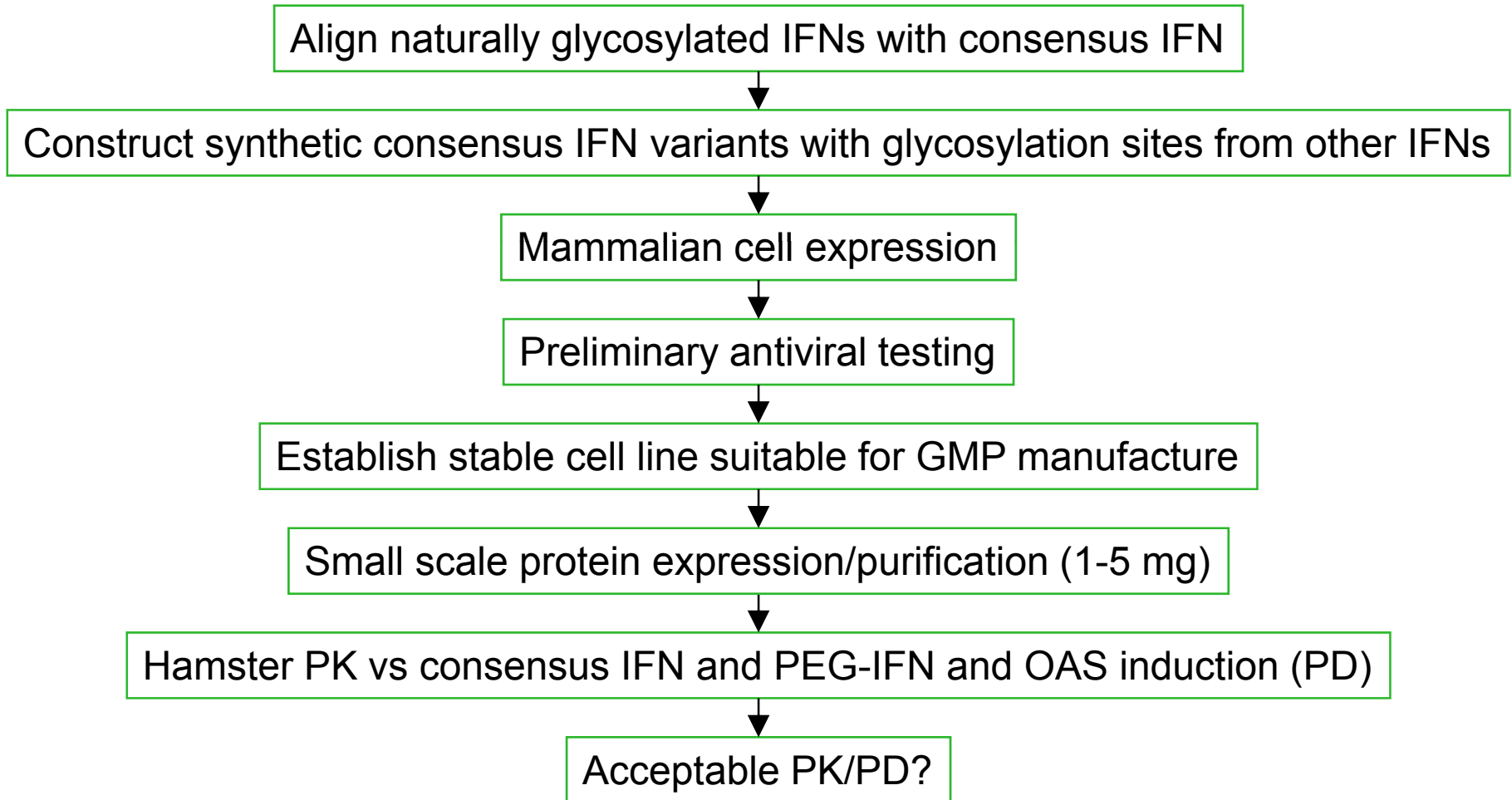
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Glycoengineering concept

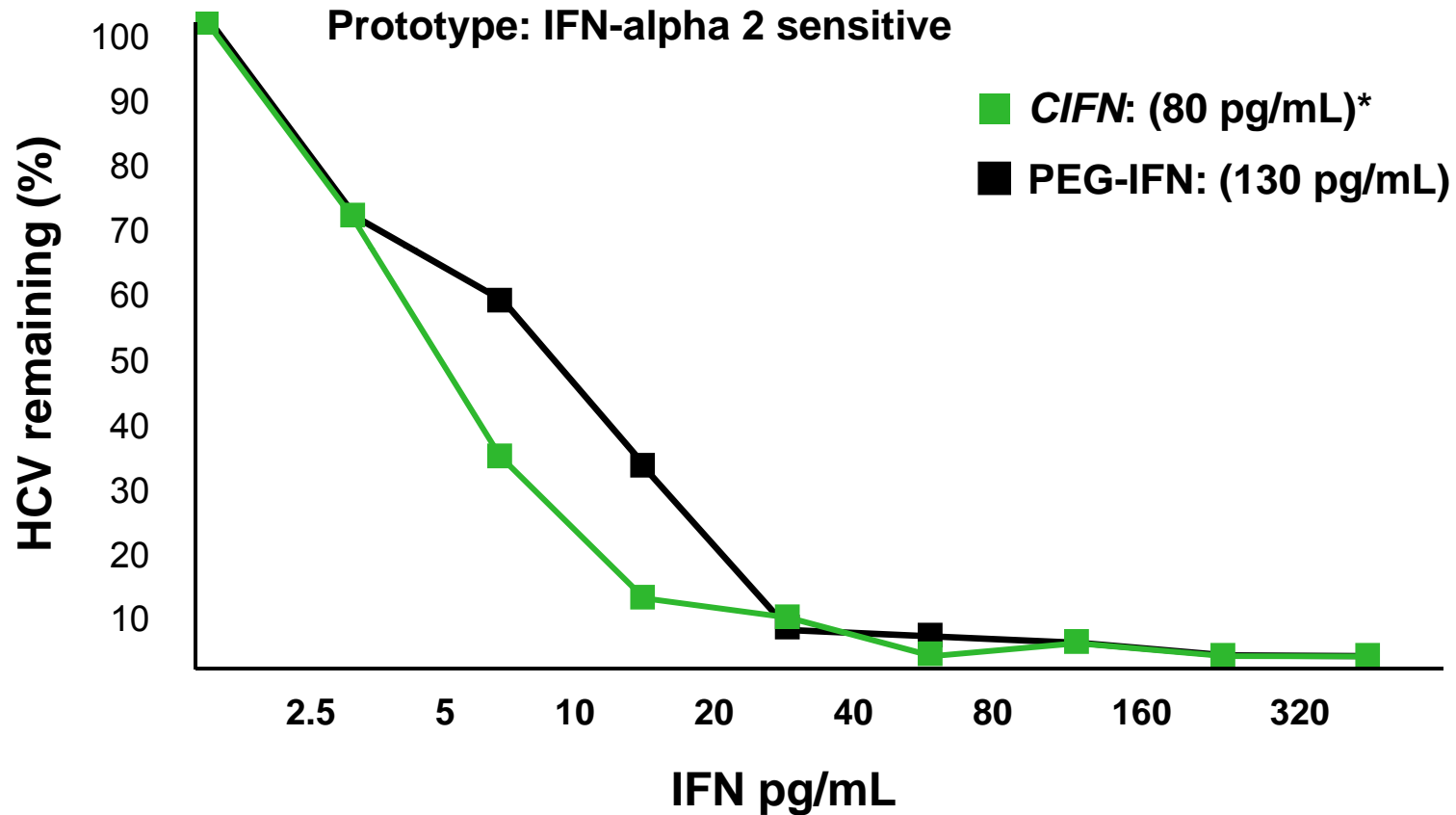
- » **Natural Human Cytokines including several IFN's are post-transcriptionally modified with carbohydrate residues**
 - These moieties increase molecular weight and hydrodynamic radius
 - Block Proteolysis
 - Block Antigenicity
- » **Introduction of Glycosylation Sites can improve a therapeutic protein's pharmacokinetic characteristics**
- » **Aranesp[®] (darbepoetin)**
 - Hyperglycosylated Erythropoietin : Reduced dosing from TIW to QW with no loss of efficacy
 - Approved WW for the treatment of Anemia
 - Amgen (Thousand Oaks, California)

Alios Glycoengineering Discovery Efforts:

IFN alfacon 1 as parent IFN



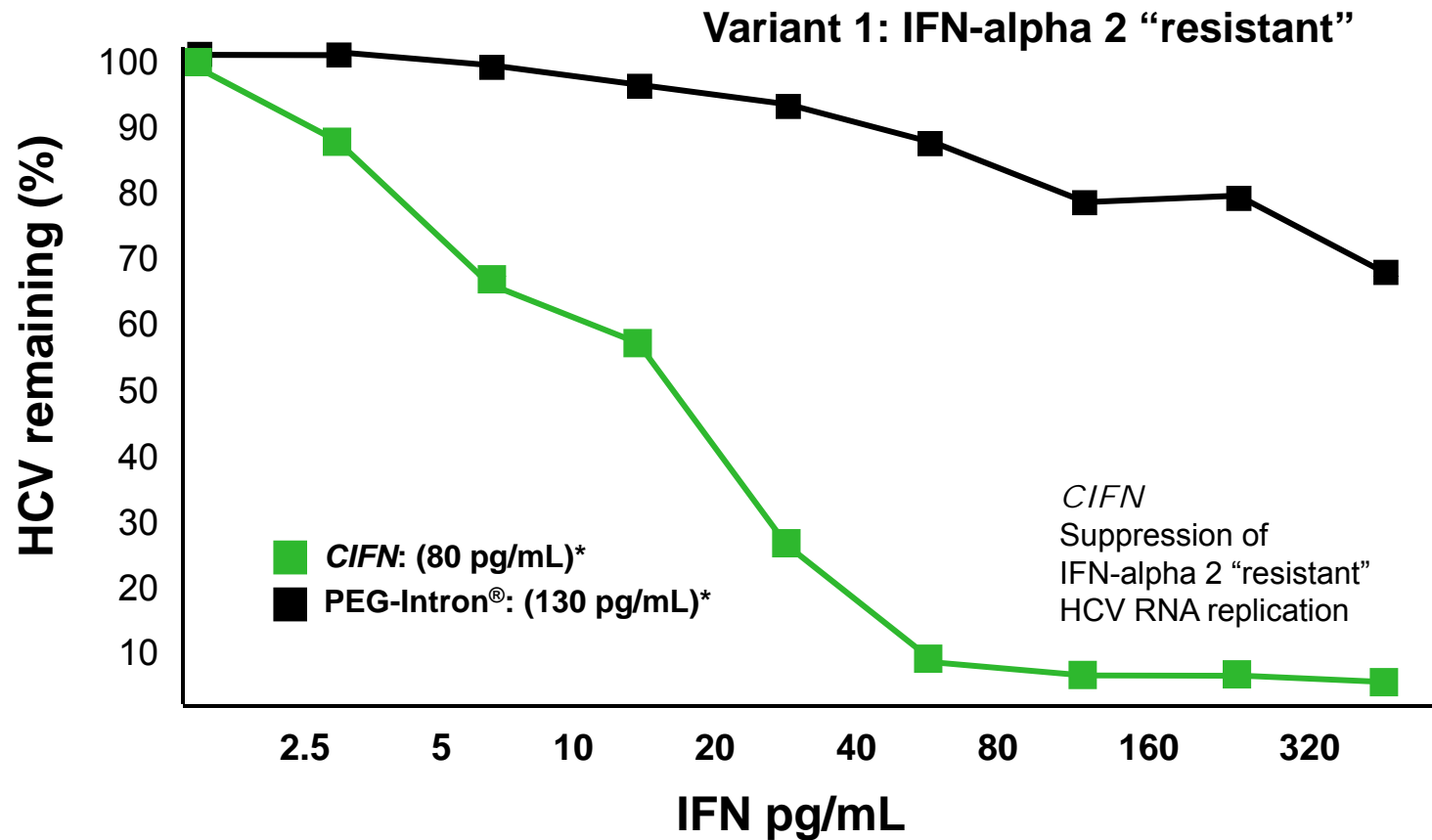
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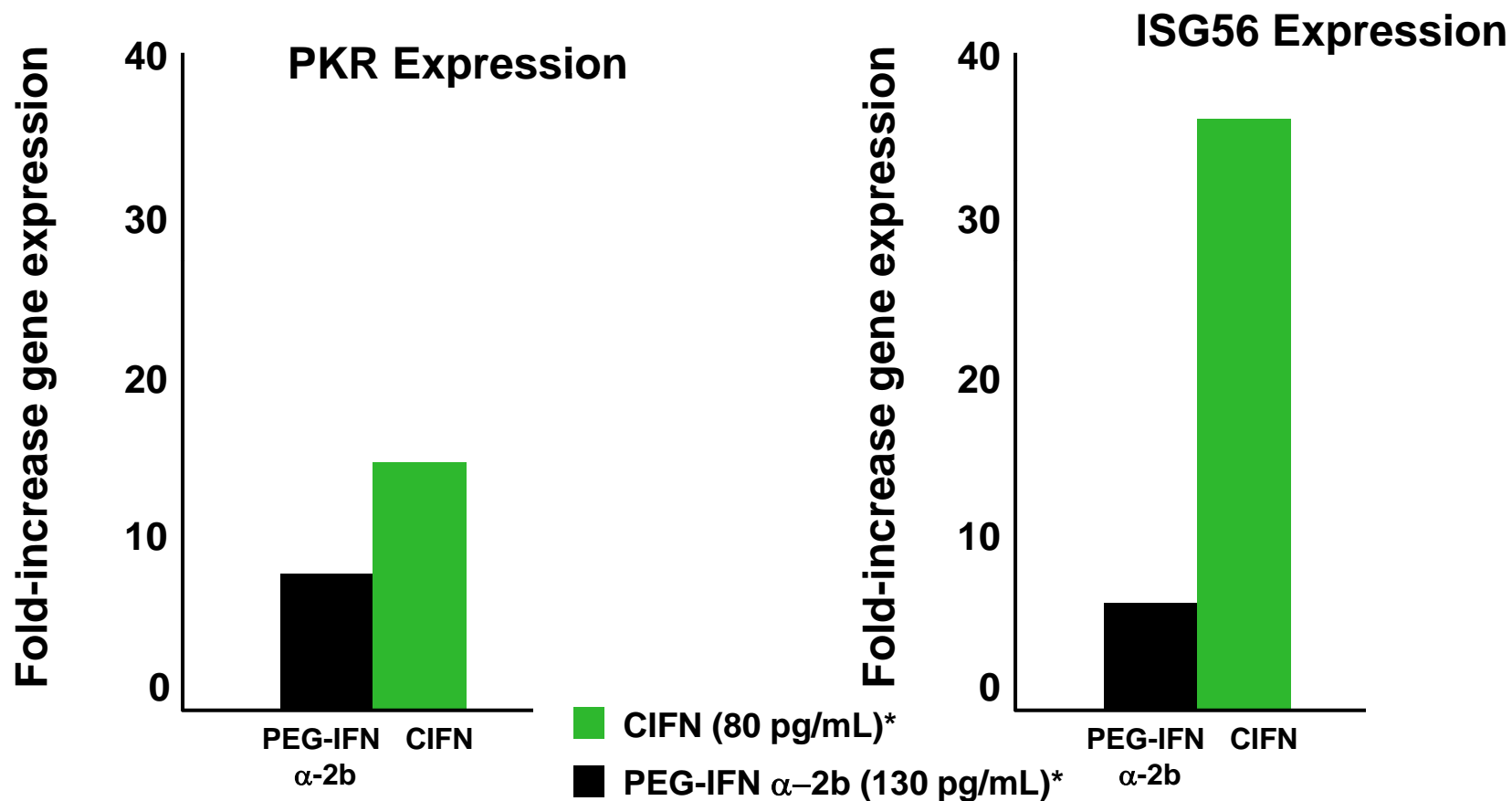
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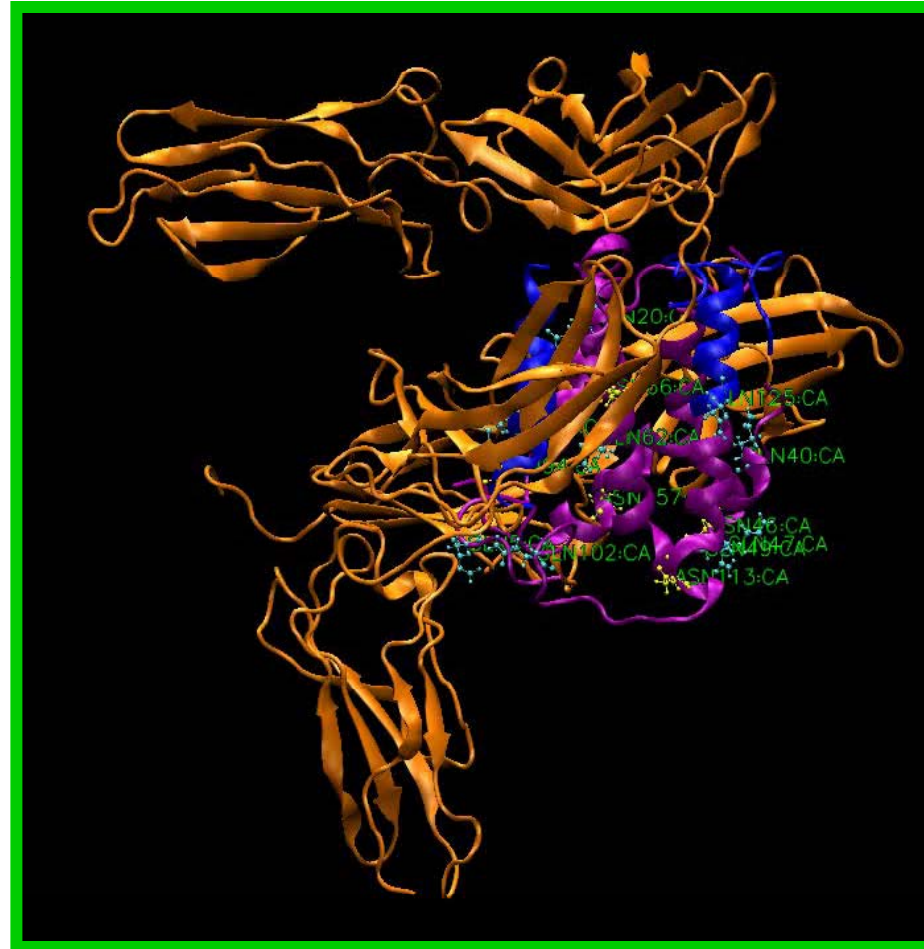
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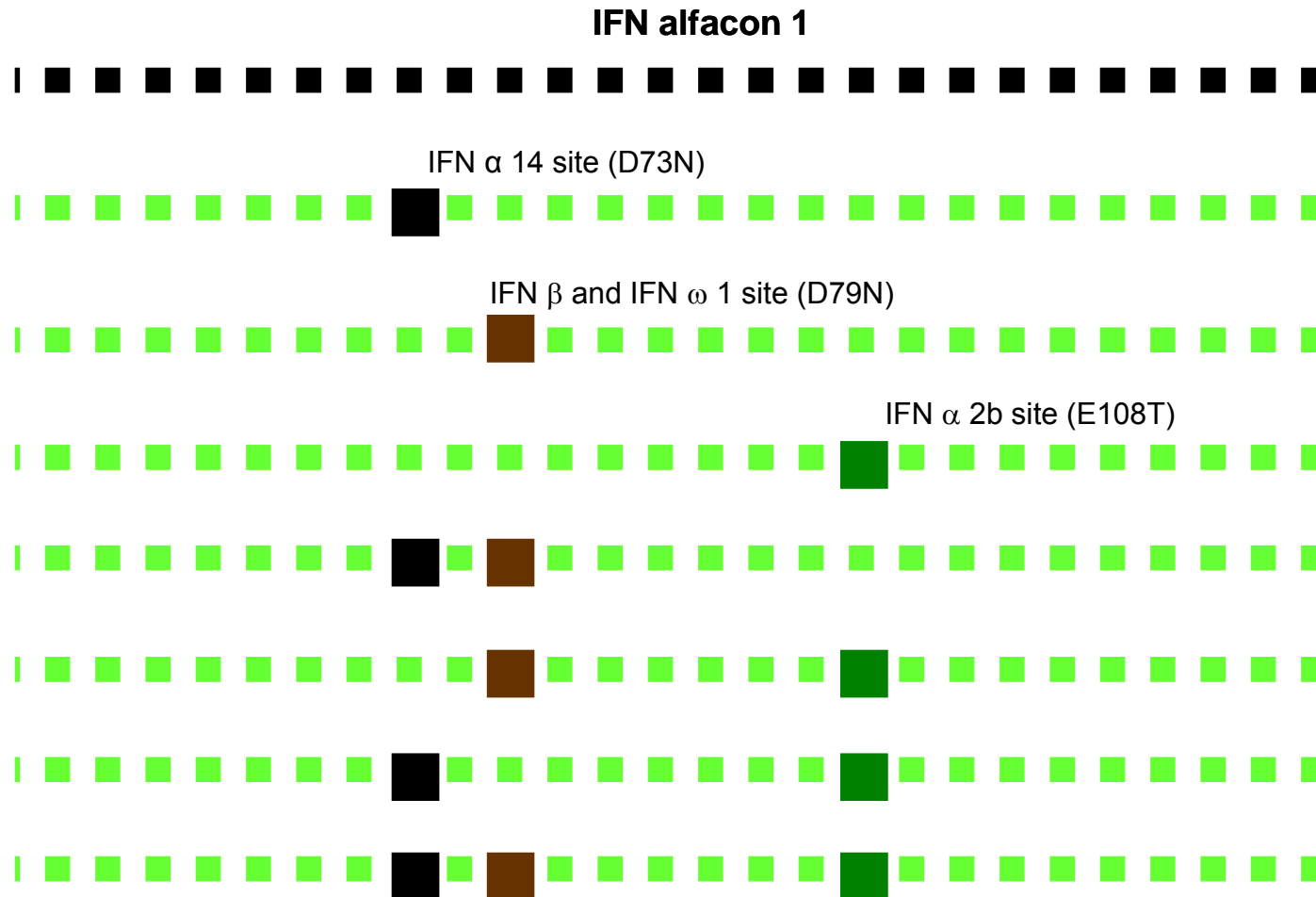
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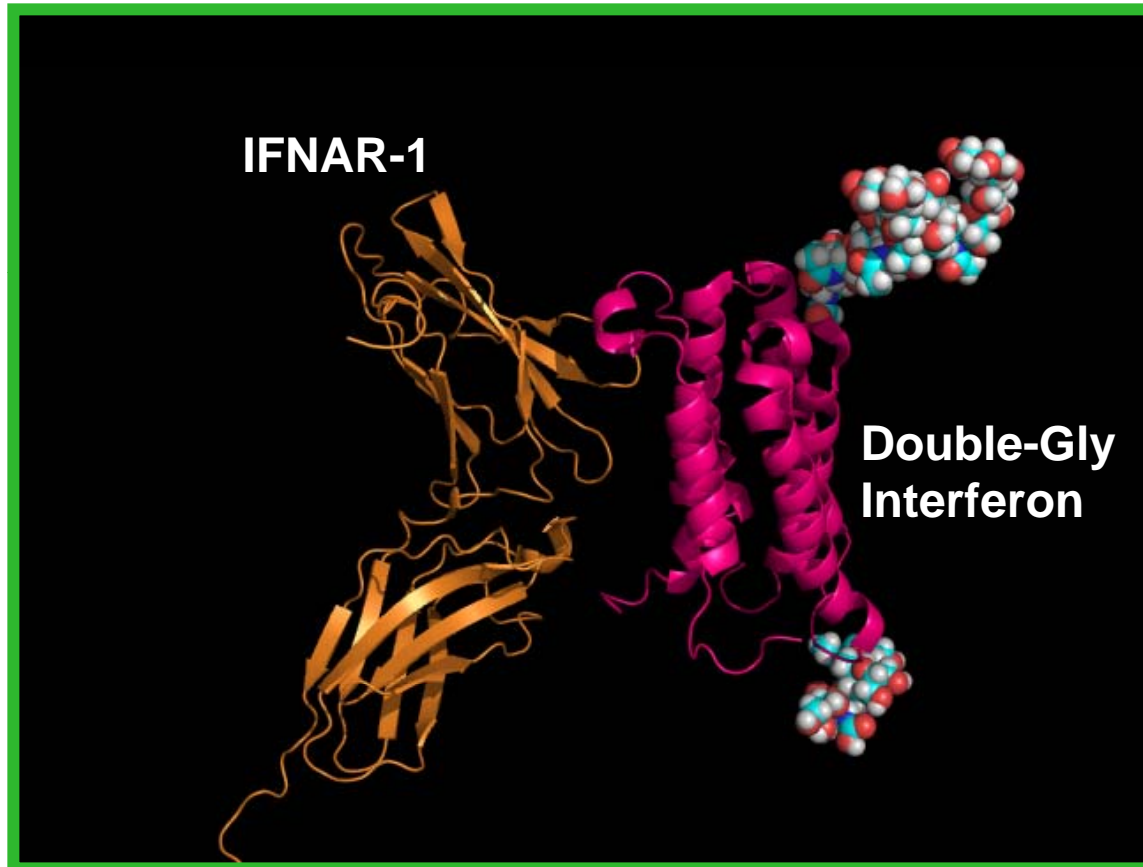
Addition of Glycosylation Sites Cannot Interfere With Binding of the IFN to its Receptor (IFNAR-1 and IFNAR 2)



IFN Glycosylation Mutants Derived From Natural Glycosylation Sites In IFN Non-Allelic Subtypes



Docking of Double-Gly IFN to IFNAR-1: No steric hindrance

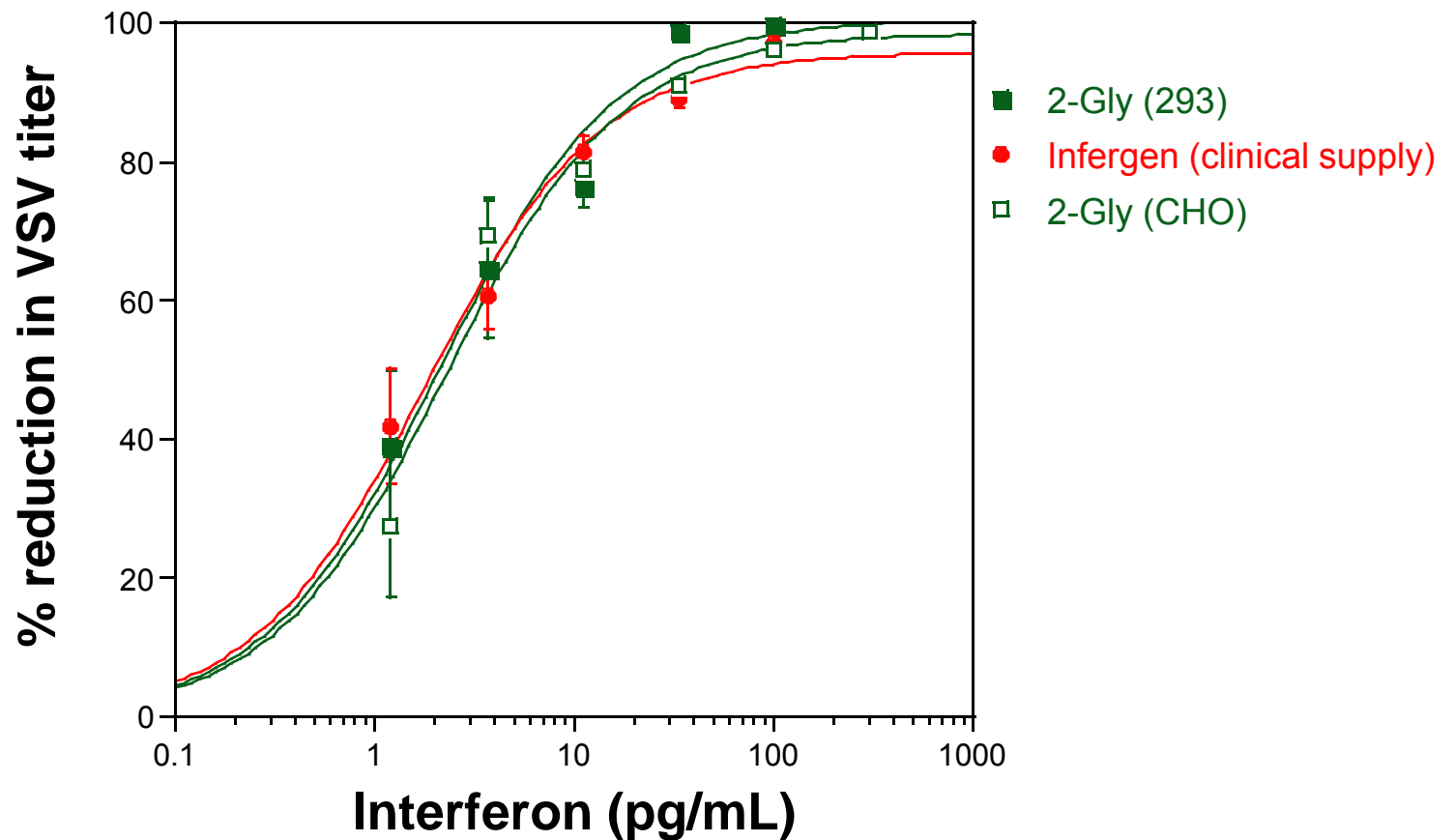


Comparison of Single and Double Glycosylation Variants For Biological Potency with IFN alfacon 1 (VSV)

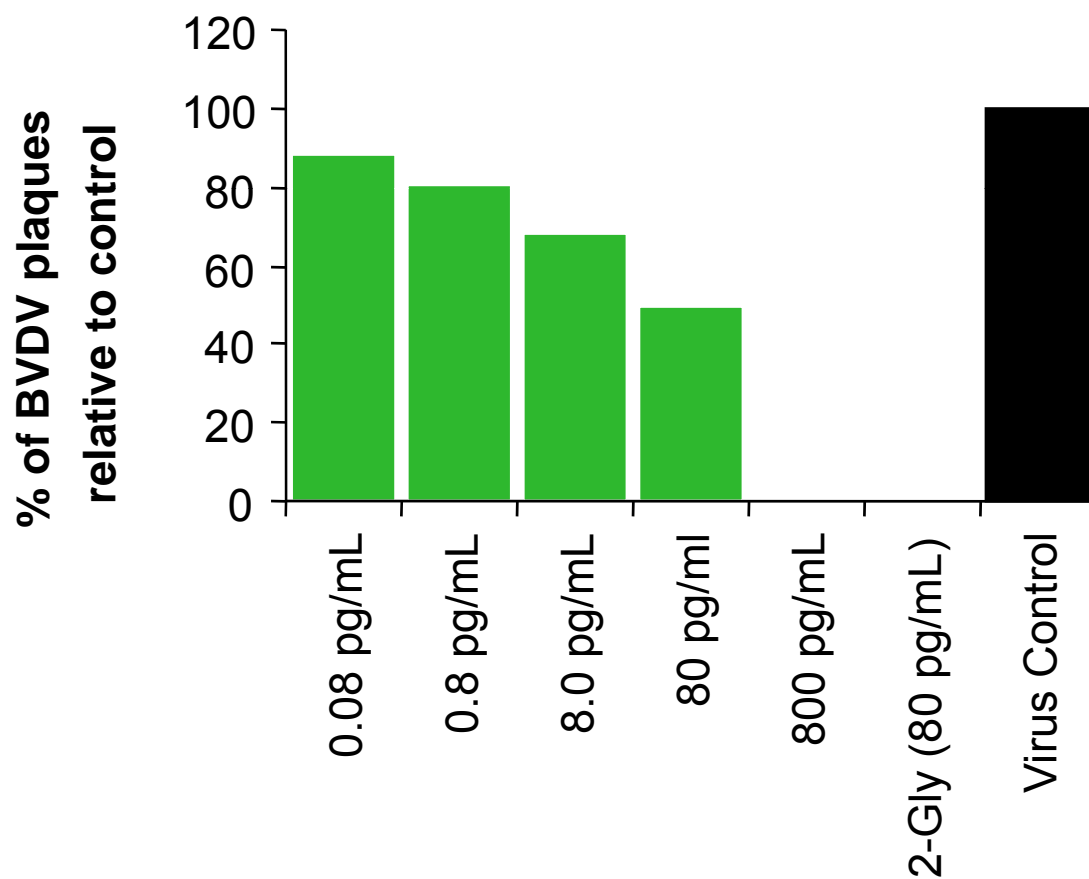
IFN	Glycoprotein source	Construct	EC ₅₀ (pg/mL)
IFN alfacon 1	293	Infergen	1.83 ± 0.41
1-Gly-A	293	D73N	2.53 ± 0.53
1-Gly-B	293	E108T	3.98 ± 0.85
2- Gly	293	D73N/E108T	2.13 ± 0.50
2-Gly	CHO	D73N/E108T	2.27 ± 0.41
Pegasus (PEG-IFN- α -2a)	NA	NA	1200 ± 600

Glyco- IFN variants retain full antiviral biological potency and are $\sim 3 \log_{10}$ more biologically active compared to Peg-IFN α 2a

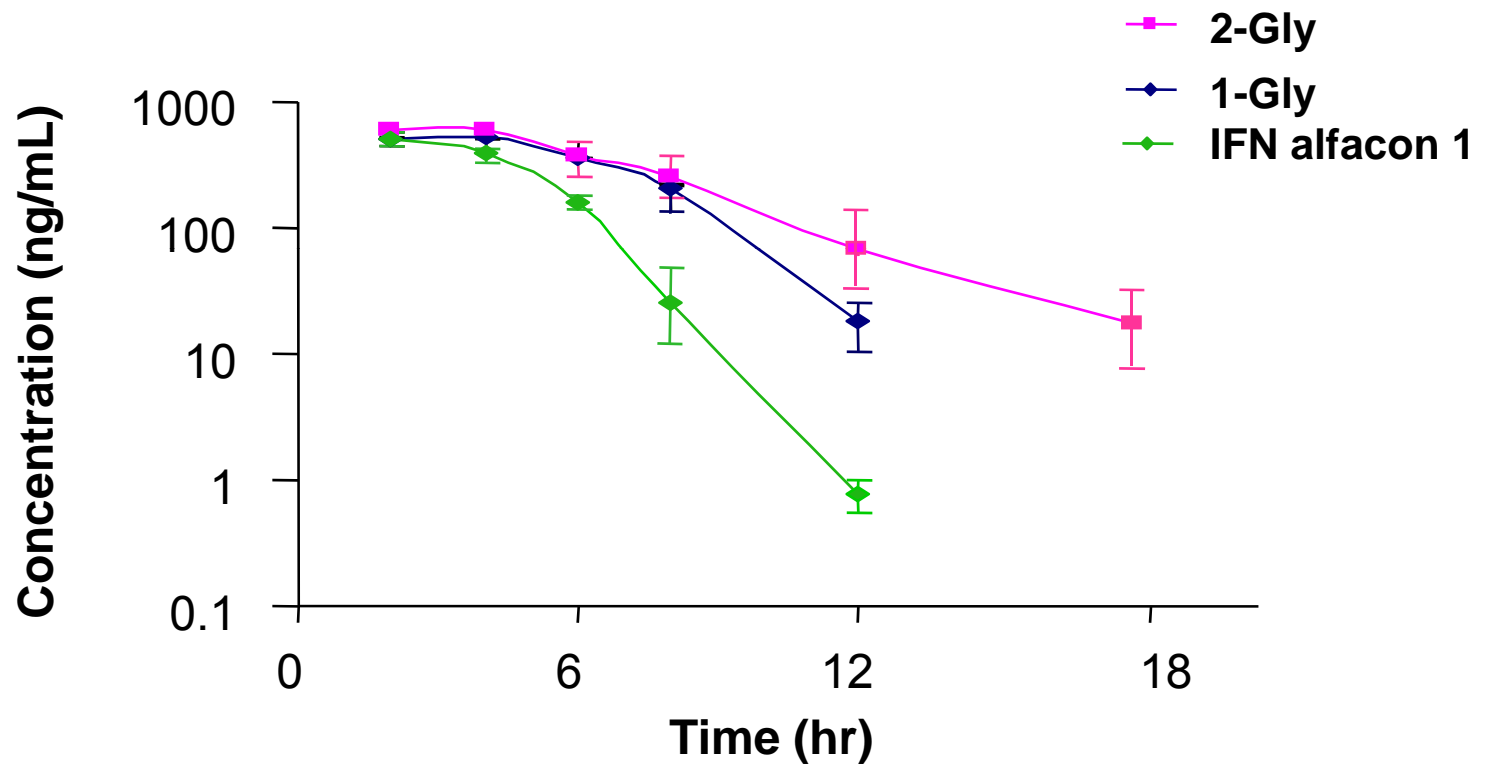
Hyperglycosylated (Double) Interferon Variants Dose Response



Potent effects on Flavivirus (BVDV)



Plasma Pharmacokinetics of prototype Glycosylated IFNs in Hamsters



Overall clearance of 1Gly improved over IFN alfacon 1 and even more significant improvement with 2-Gly

Conclusions

- » **A need still exists for IFN-based products with novel biological properties**
- » **Addition of Glycosylation Sites**
 - Improved PK
 - Maintained Biological Potency
 - May Address HCV NR
 - Additional applications in HBV and possibly HIV
- » **Continuing optimization of glycosylation**
 - Optimization cell culture conditions will improve carbohydrate incorporation
 - More glycosylation sites can be added if needed
- » **Further Study is Warranted**