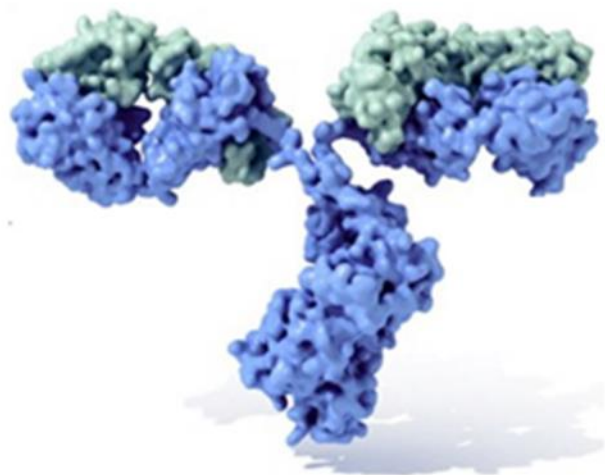


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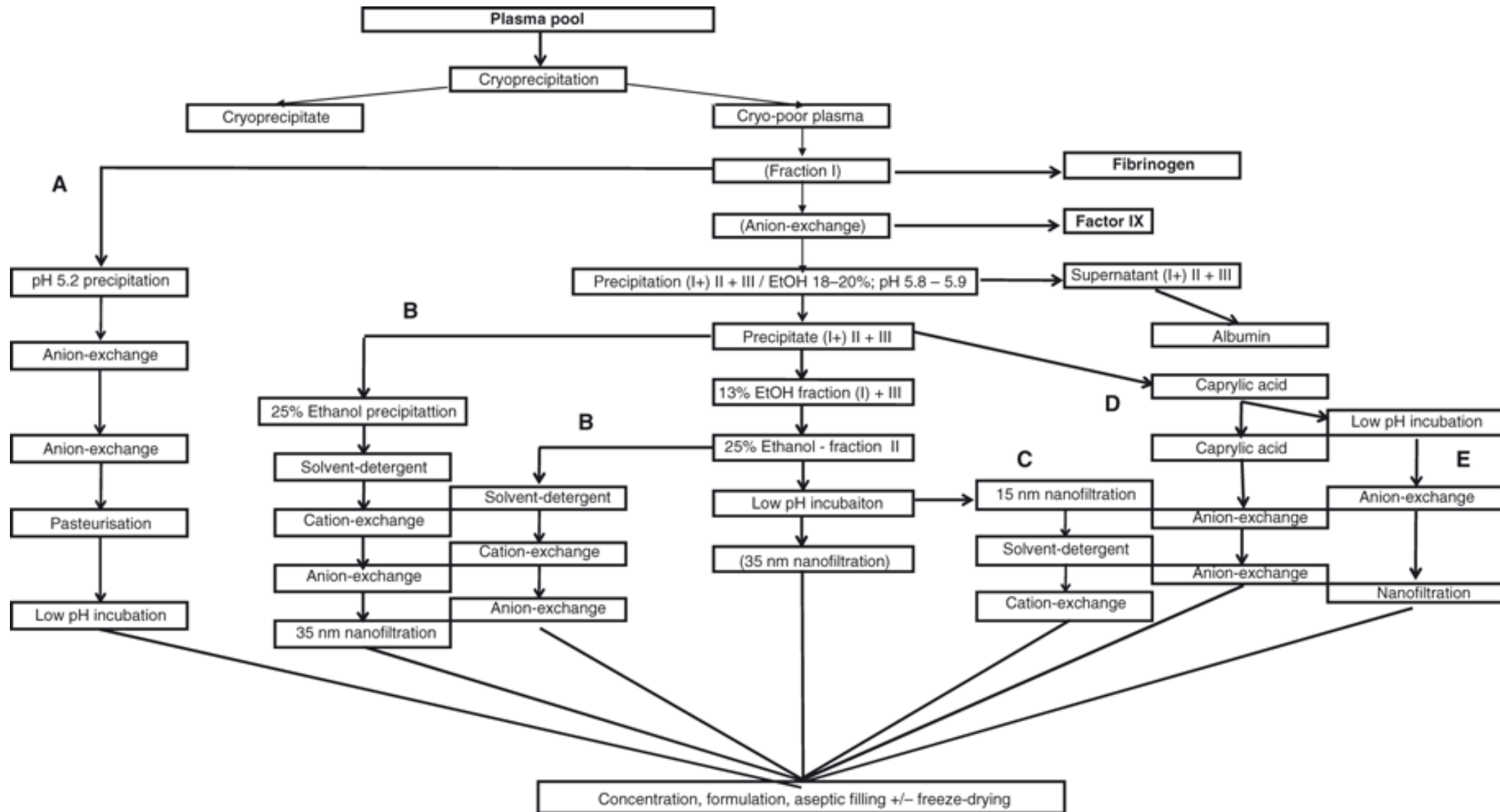
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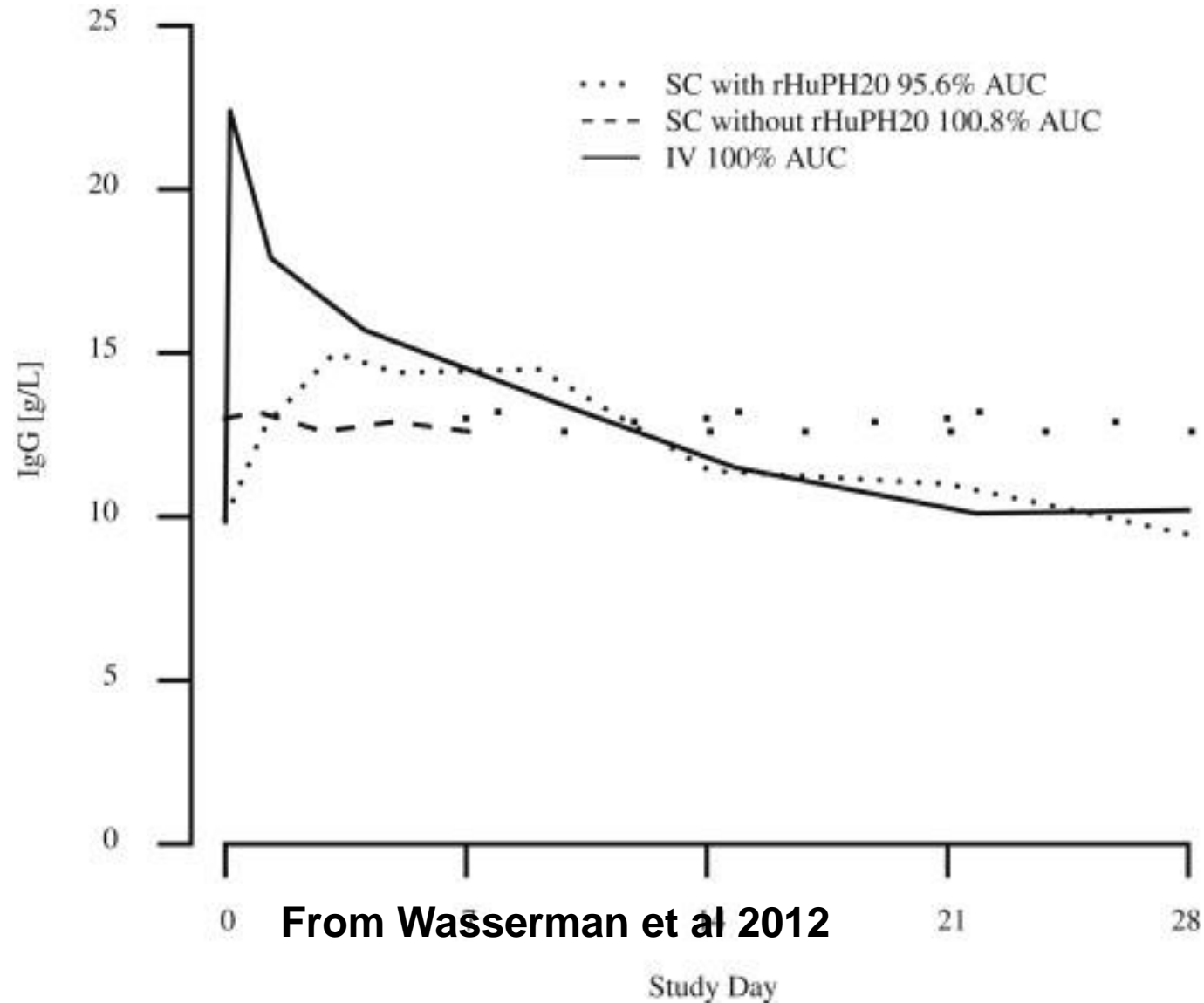


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Intravenous immunoglobulin G: trends in production methods, quality control and quality assurance



Serum IgG concentration following infusion of IVIG, SCIG and SCIG with recombinant hyaluronidase to facilitate access.



Personalising treatment – do no harm

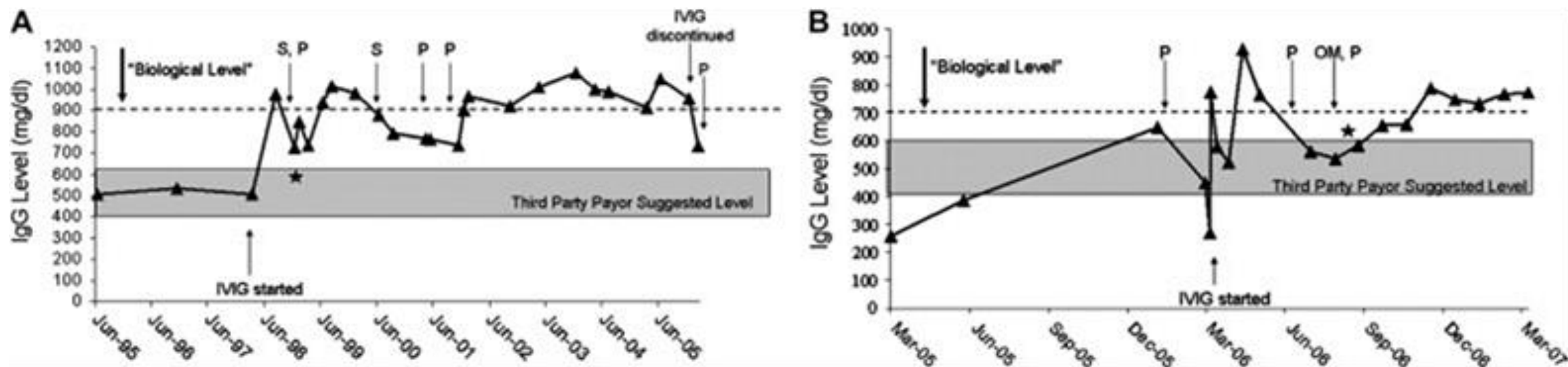


Figure 3 IgG trough levels in two individual PID patients A and B before, during, and after initiating IVIG therapy and associated infection history. *Time at which patient was put in practice which dosed on basis of biological, rather than guideline driven, through level. S, Acute sinusitis; P, pneumonia; OM, otitis media. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2008 Jul;122 (1):210-2

Personalising treatment – tailor treatment

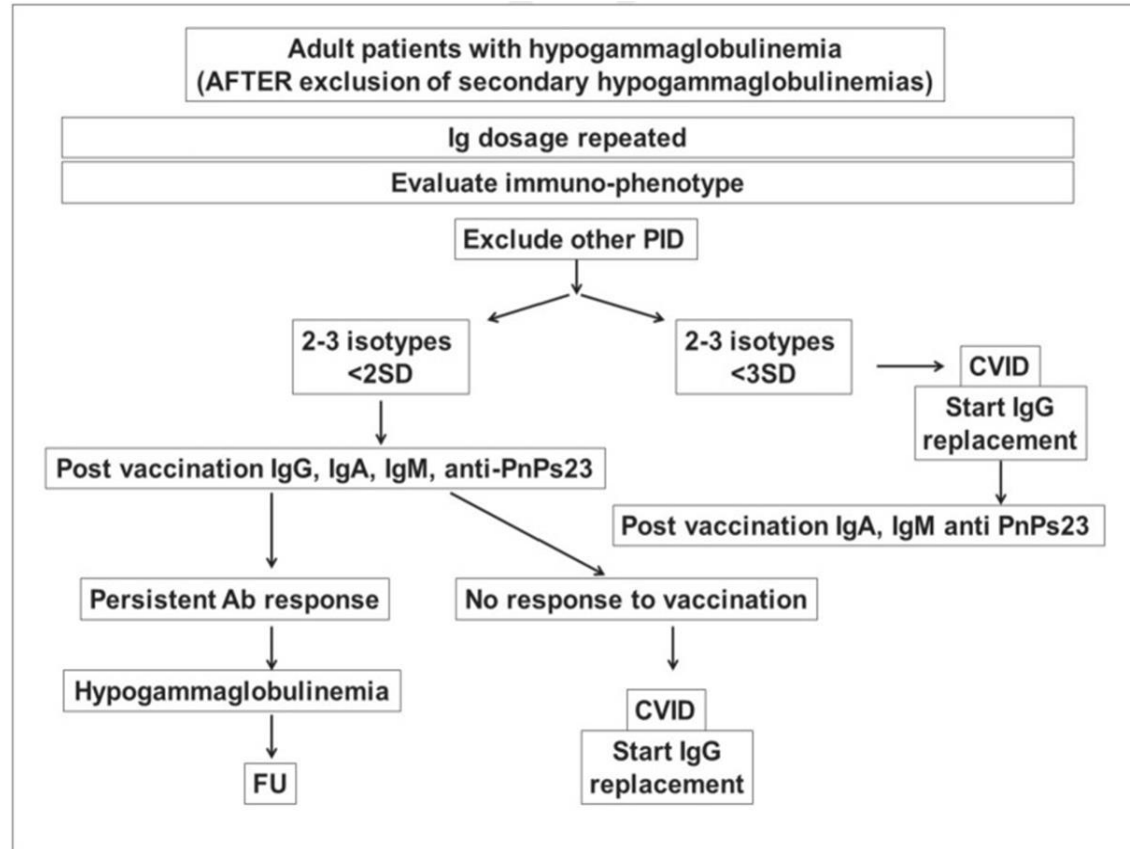


Figure 4 Algorithm for diagnosis in patients with hypogammaglobulinemias. Legend Ig: immunoglobulins; PID: Primary Immune Deficiencies; Ab: antibodies; PnPs23: 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharides; FU: follow up; SD: standard deviation. Blood Transfus 2013; 11 Suppl 4: s40-4

Personalising treatment – dosages can be adjusted

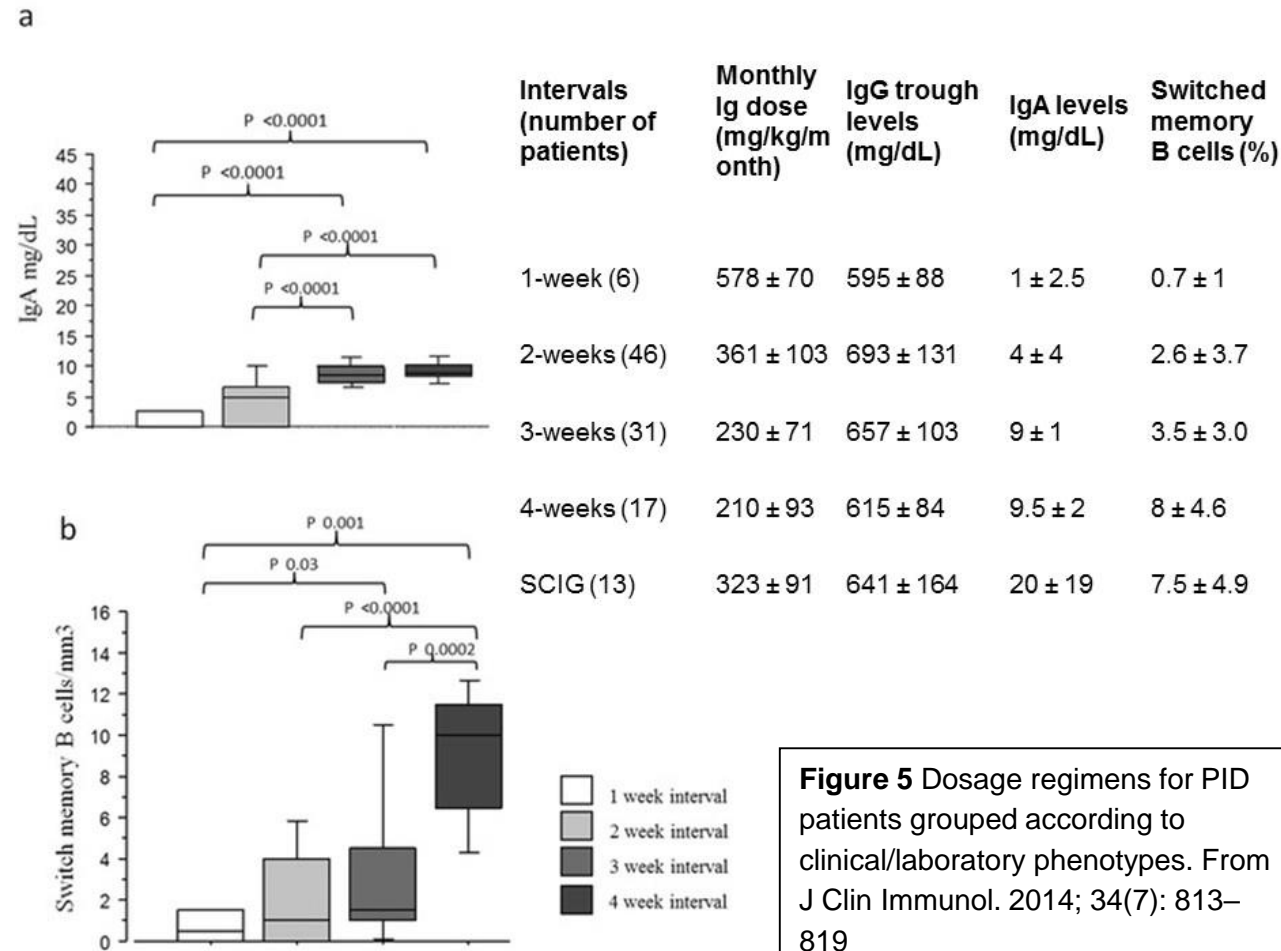
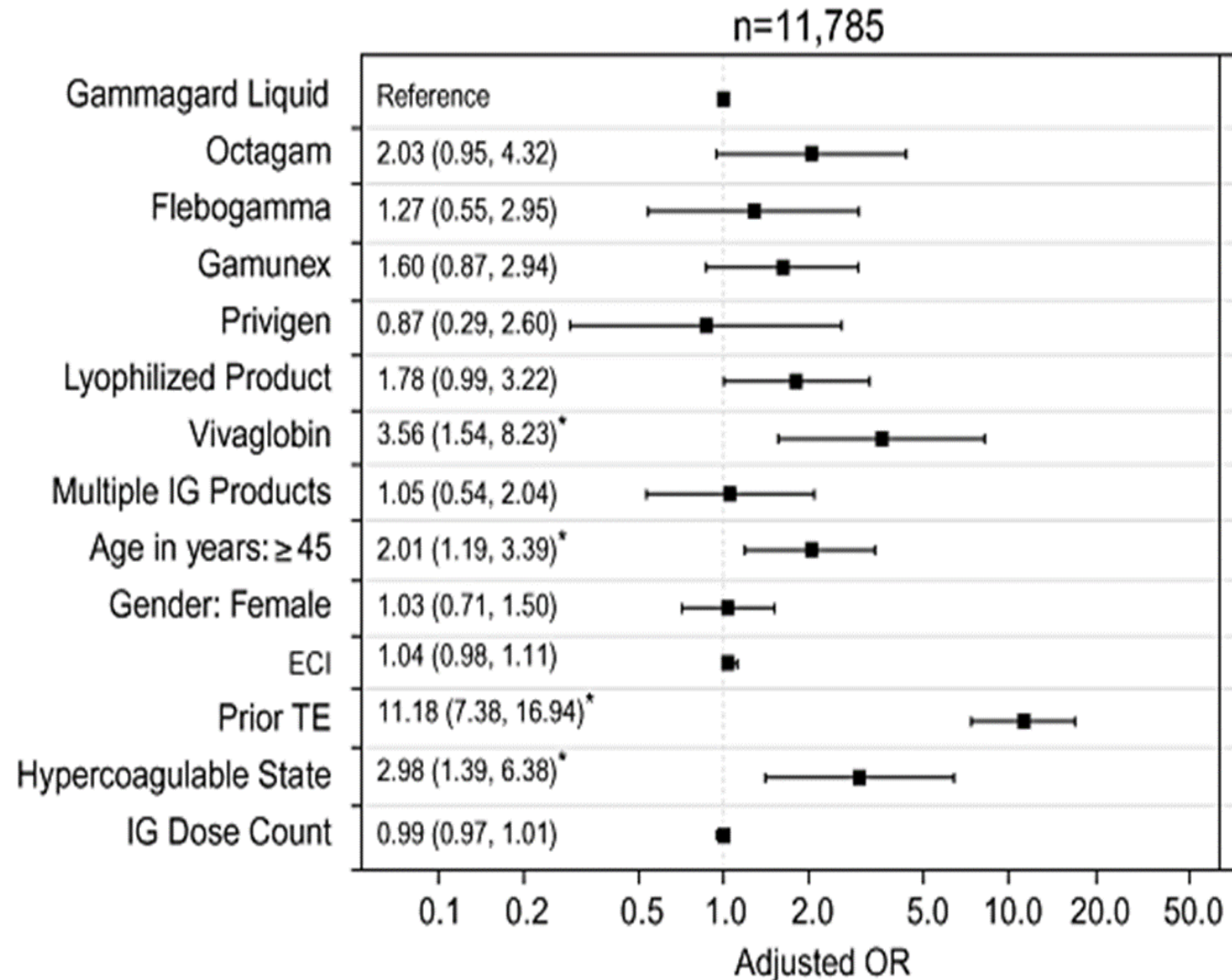


Figure 5 Dosage regimens for PID patients grouped according to clinical/laboratory phenotypes. From J Clin Immunol. 2014; 34(7): 813–819

Adverse events as a result of IgG therapy

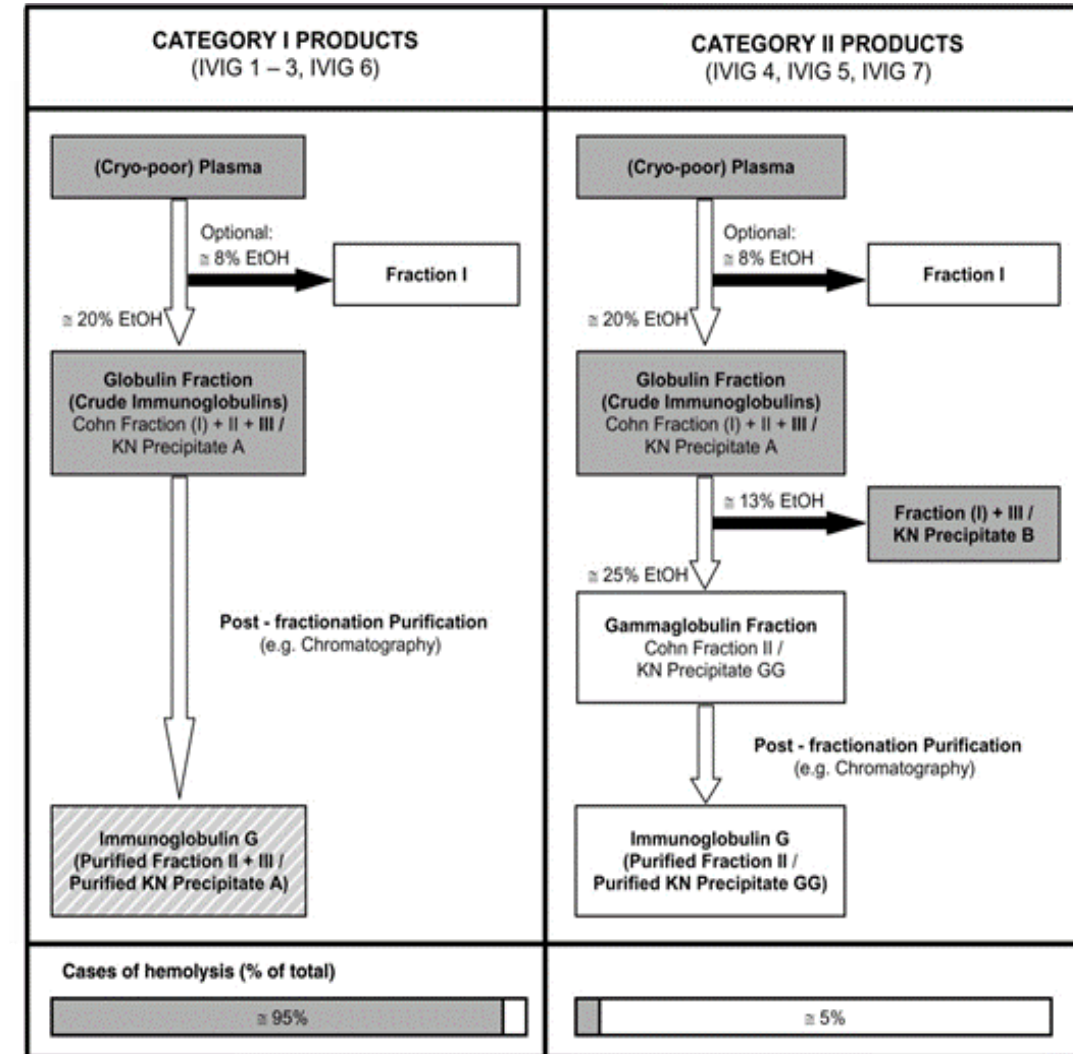
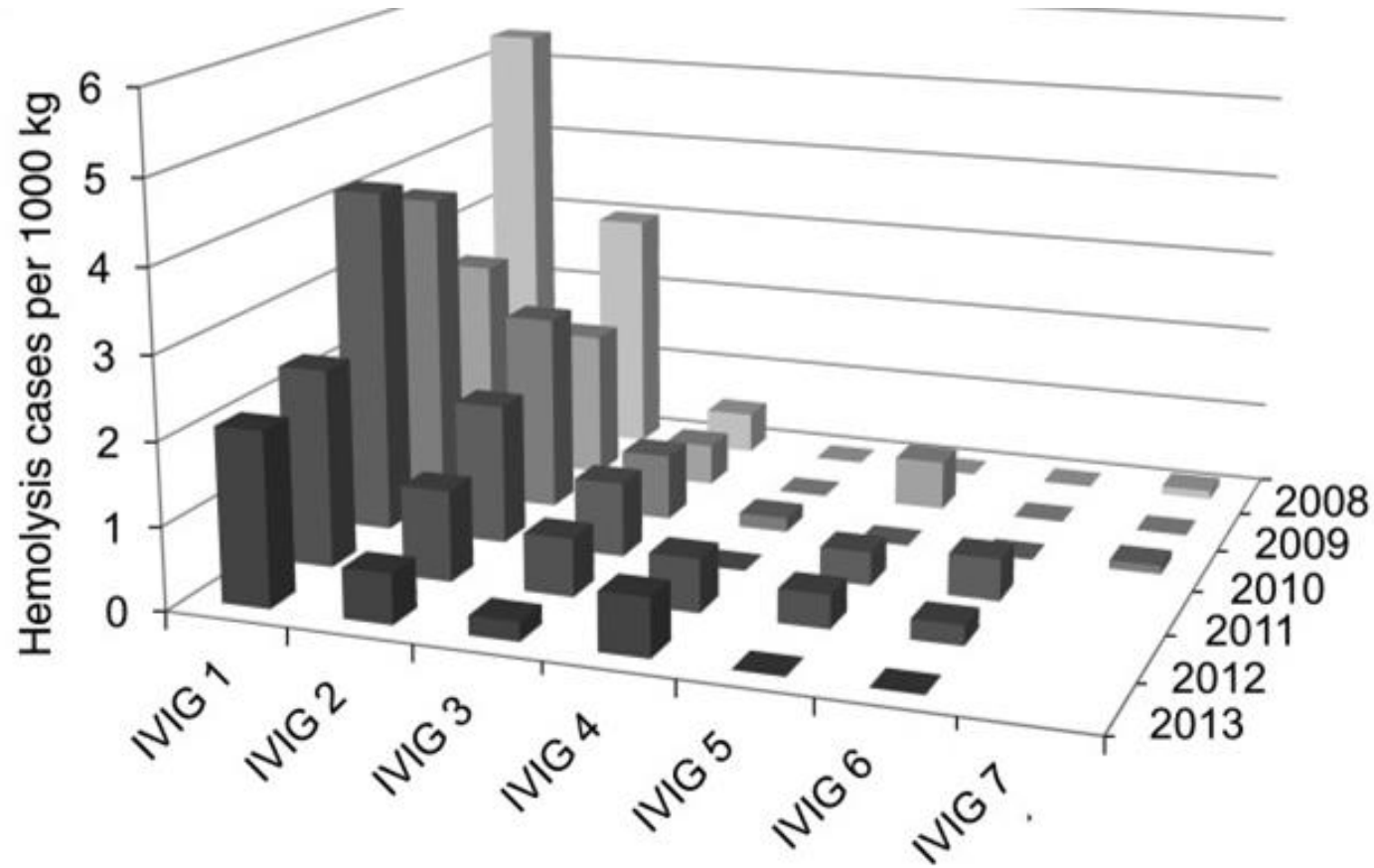
Adverse Event	Examples
Infusion Reactions	<p>Non-anaphylactic: headache, chills, low-grade fever, flushing, back or abdominal pain, nausea, myalgias, hypotension. Associated with release of TNF and/or PAF.</p> <p>Anaphylactic: flushing, swelling, dyspnea, hypotension, nausea, vomiting, vascular collapse and rarely death. Associated with IgA deficiency and either IgG or IgE antibodies against IgA</p>
Vascular Events	<p>Congestive heart failure</p> <p>Thromboembolic events</p>
Renal failure: oliguric renal failure with high sucrose preparations. On biopsy renal tubular epithelial cells are swollen and contain vacuoles	
Aseptic meningitis	
Hematologic events	<p>Hemolytic anemia</p> <p>Neutropenia</p>
Pulmonary edema and transfusion-related acute lung injury	
Infections	<p>Hepatitis C</p> <p>Parvovirus B19</p>
Skin rash	
<p>PAF = Platelet activating factor</p> <p>TNF = Tumor necrosis factor</p>	

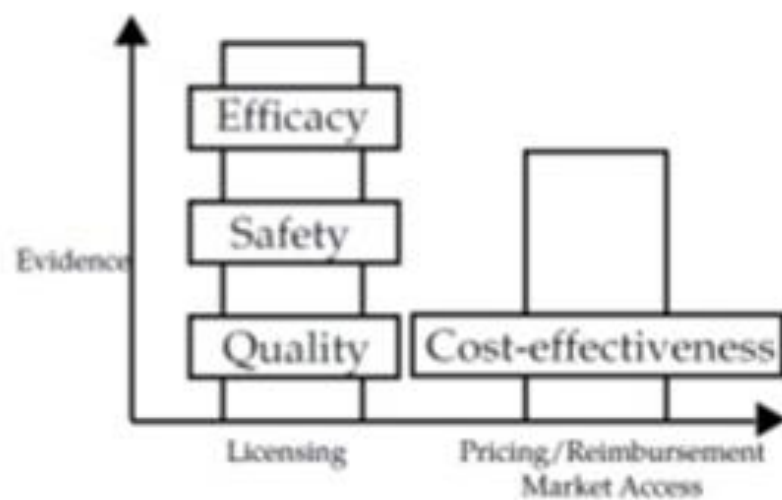
Association between different immunoglobulin products and risk of thrombotic events



Sensitivity analyses of the association between different immunoglobulin products and risk of thrombotic events. From Daniel et al 2012

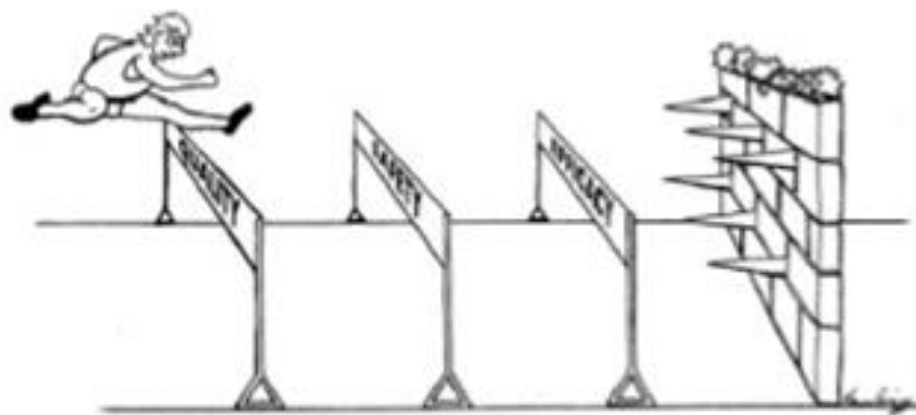
Haemolysis following IG products





Cost-effectiveness (or CER) has become the “fourth hurdle” to market access

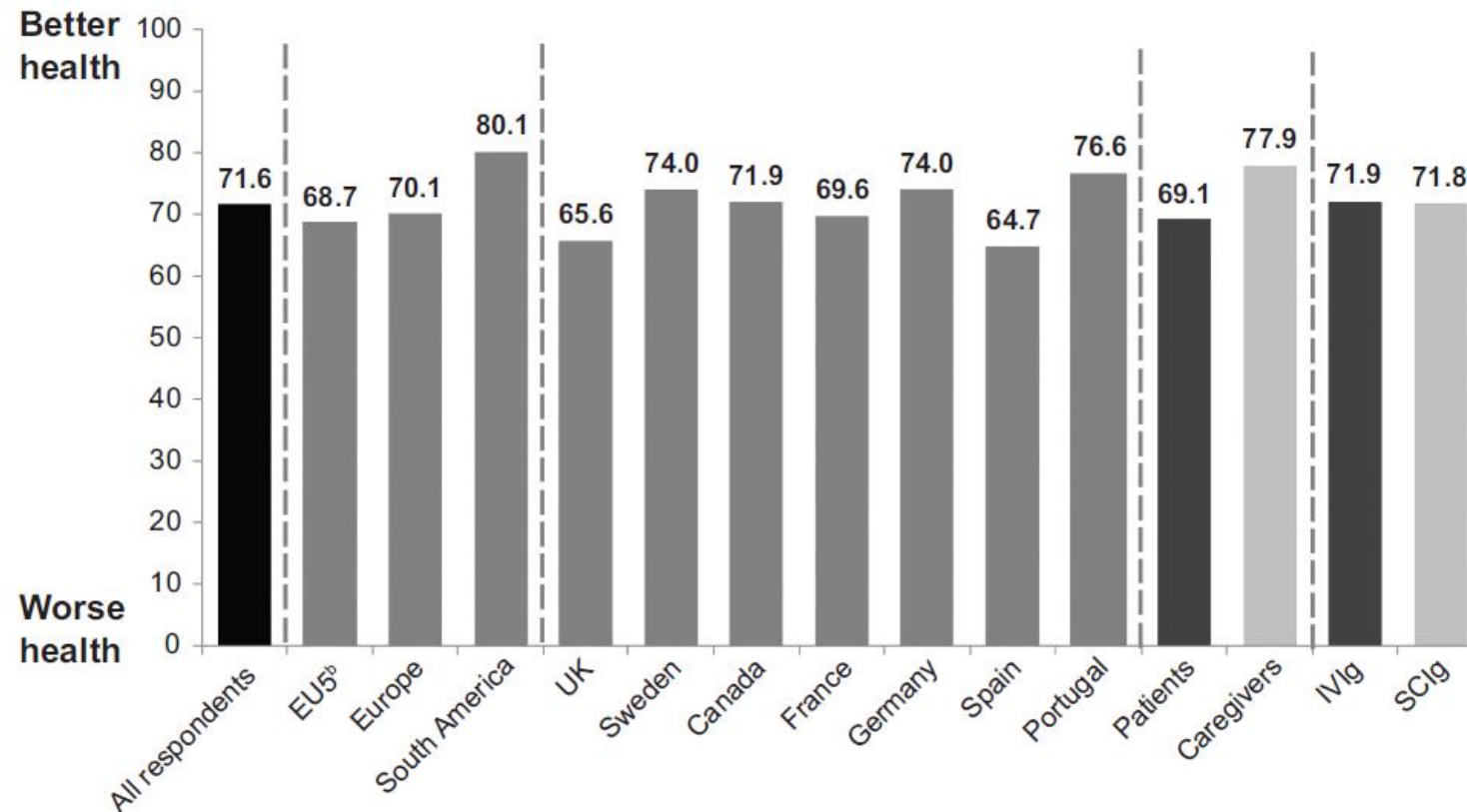
THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT THE FOURTH HURDLE WAS THE ONE TO LOOK OUT FOR



Health of patients with primary immunodeficiency disease

Country and route of immunoglobulin administration

IPOPI Survey



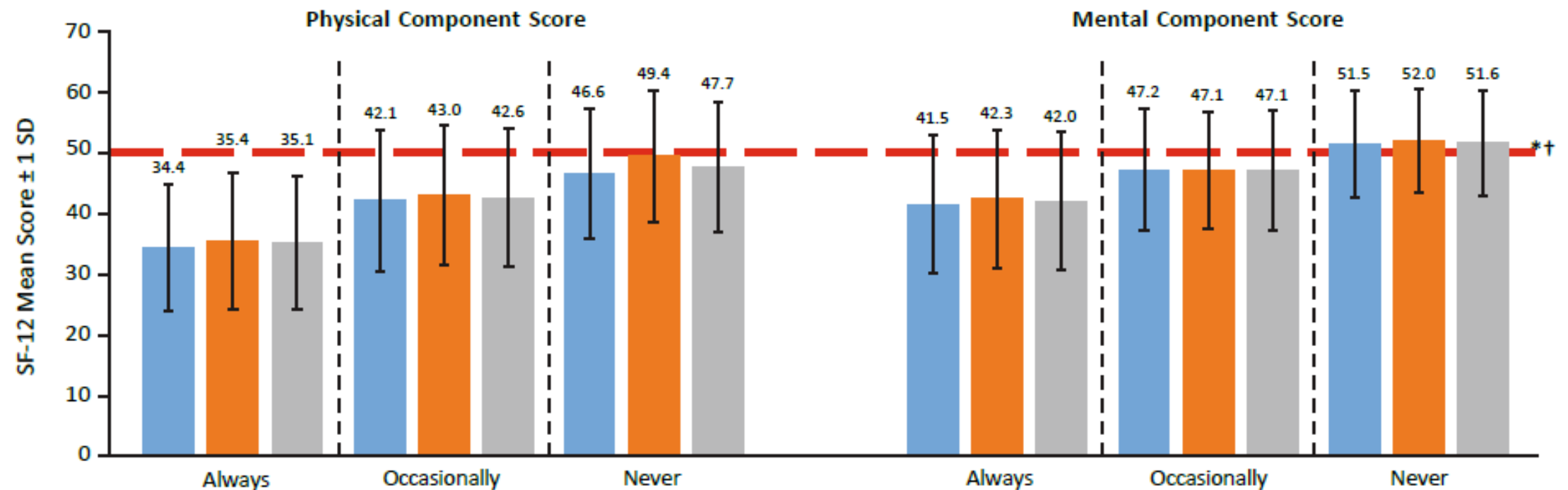
No significant difference in HRQOL between IVIG and SCIG IDF Survey

CVID: Route of Ig Administration

SCIG (n=418)

IVIG (n=515)

Total (n=933)



Choosing and paying for Ig products for PID

- Ig products have increased and enhanced the lives of patients with PID
- The number of these products has increased in number in concentration, mode of and speed of administration, and all are safe and effective
- Adverse events studied over the past decade show that caution is necessary when modifying technology for reasons of commercial advantage or patient convenience
- Guideline-driven dosage protocols are now under pressure in the era of personalised medicine
- Health technology assessments need to be based on real data involving patient preference