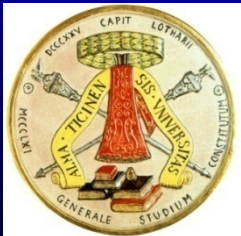


Triple Antiplatelet Therapy: Lights and Shadows

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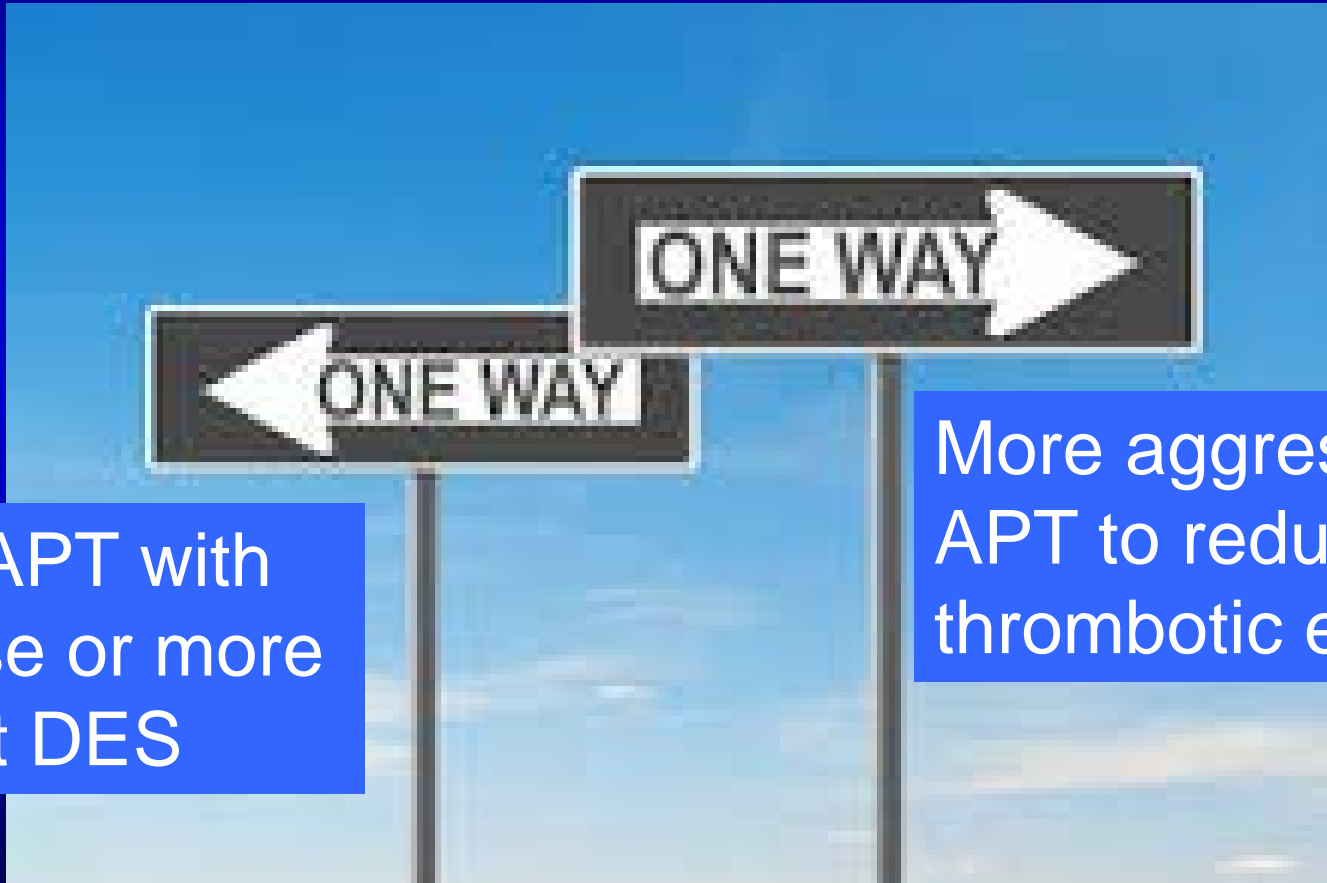
The following relationships exist :

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More or Less APT ?



Less APT with
the use of more
recent DES

More aggressive
APT to reduce
thrombotic events

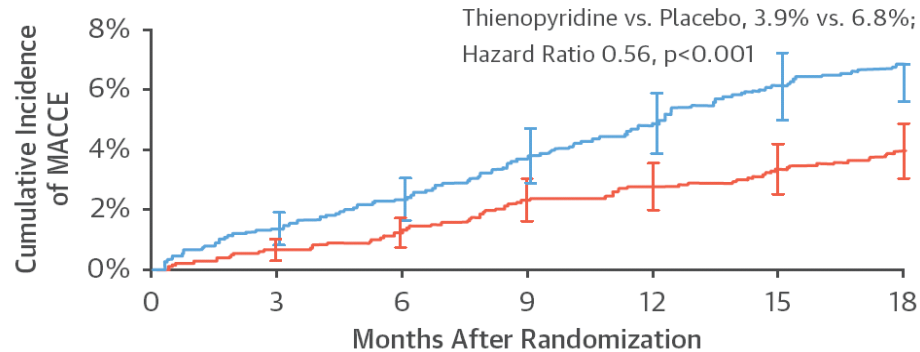
MACE in the DAPT Trial Based on Presentation with MI

DEATH, MI, STROKE

— Thienopyridine — Placebo

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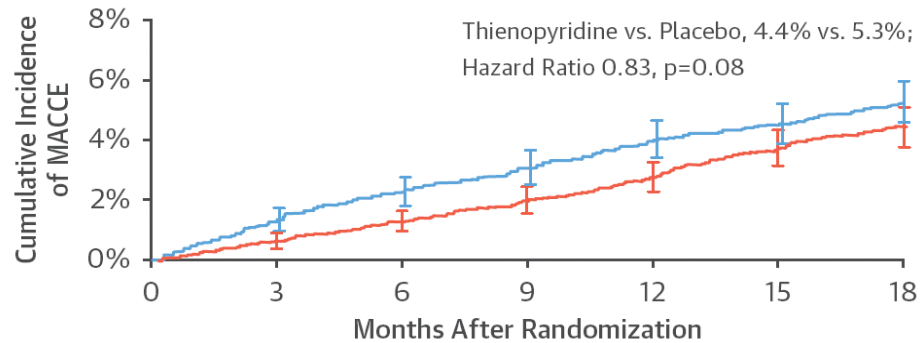
Patients Presenting With Myocardial Infarction



Thienopyridine	1805	1770	1741	1713	1687	1654	1633
Placebo	1771	1712	1683	1643	1603	1559	1534

B

Patients Presenting Without Myocardial Infarction



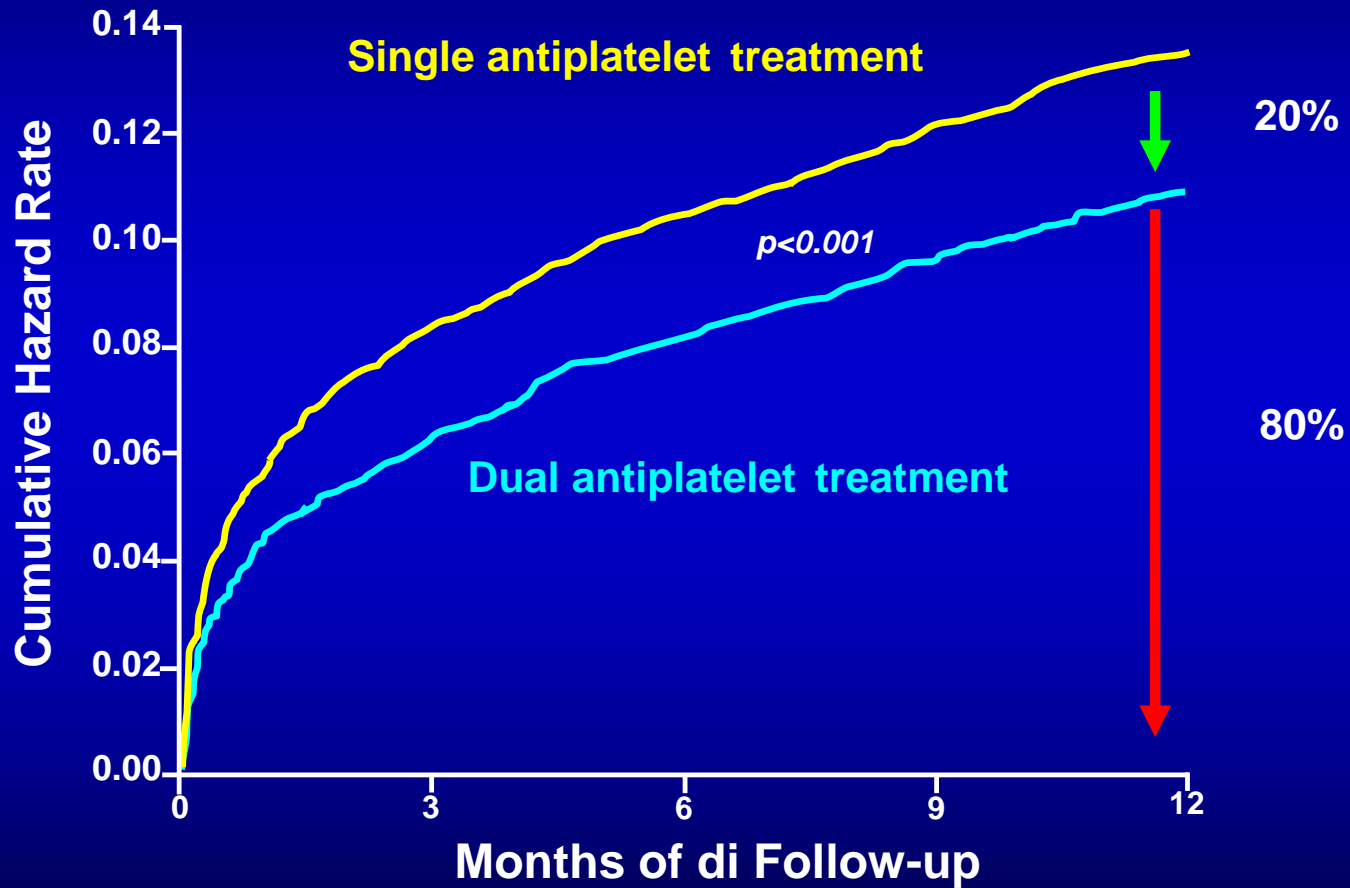
Thienopyridine	4057	3971	3906	3866	3805	3728	3680
Placebo	4015	3910	3839	3788	3720	3669	3623

P for interaction=0.03

N= 3.576

N= 8.072

Mortality + MACE During DAPT for ACS

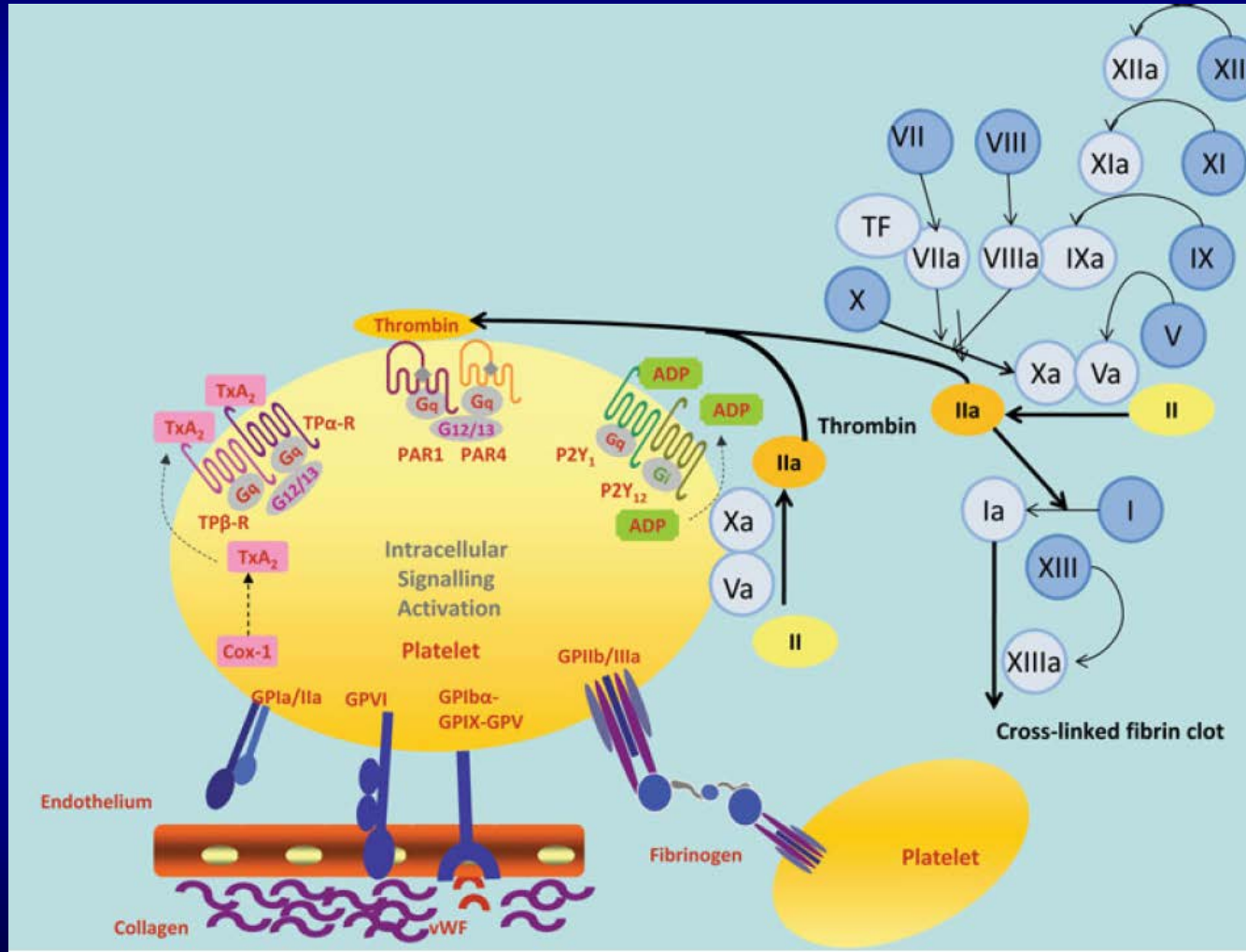


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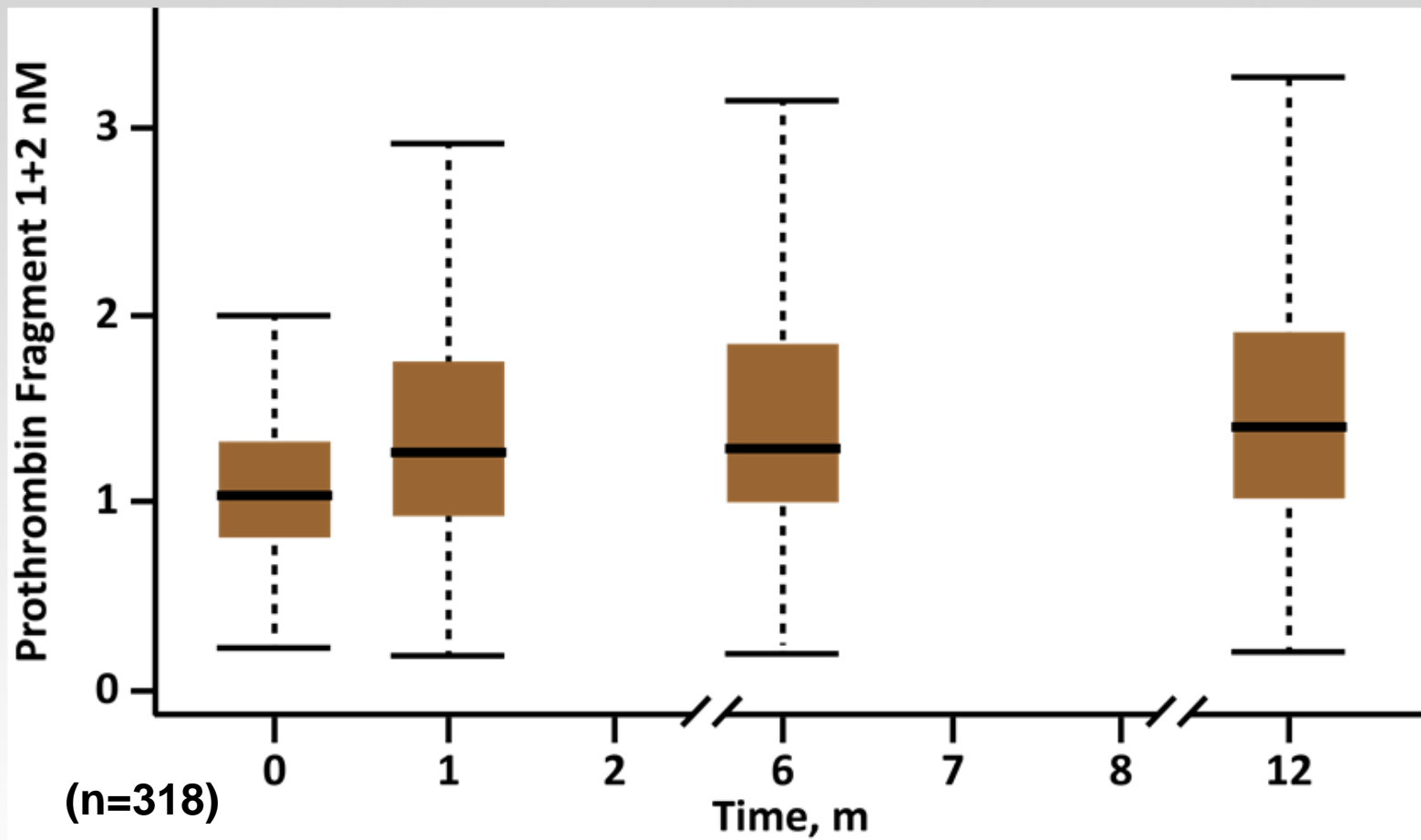
Among subjects with a recent ACS, how do we recognise high risk patients ?

- High Risk Scores
- Diabetics
- PAD
- Multivessel, extensive CAD
- LM or proximal LAD stents
- CABG
- Patients with index event on APT
- Smokers
- Non revascularised (part nSTE ACS)

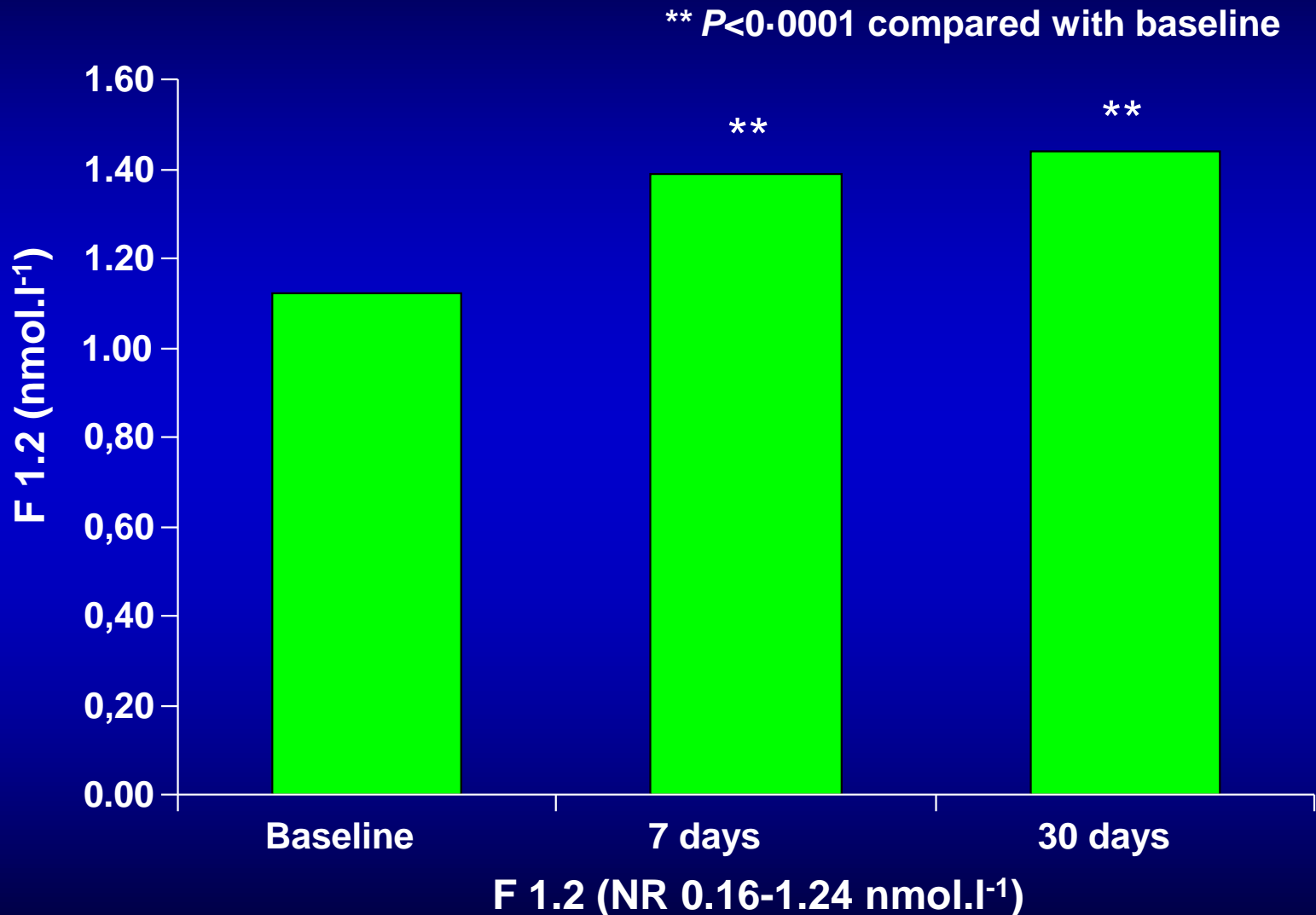
The Platelet Activation Pathways and the Coagulation Cascade

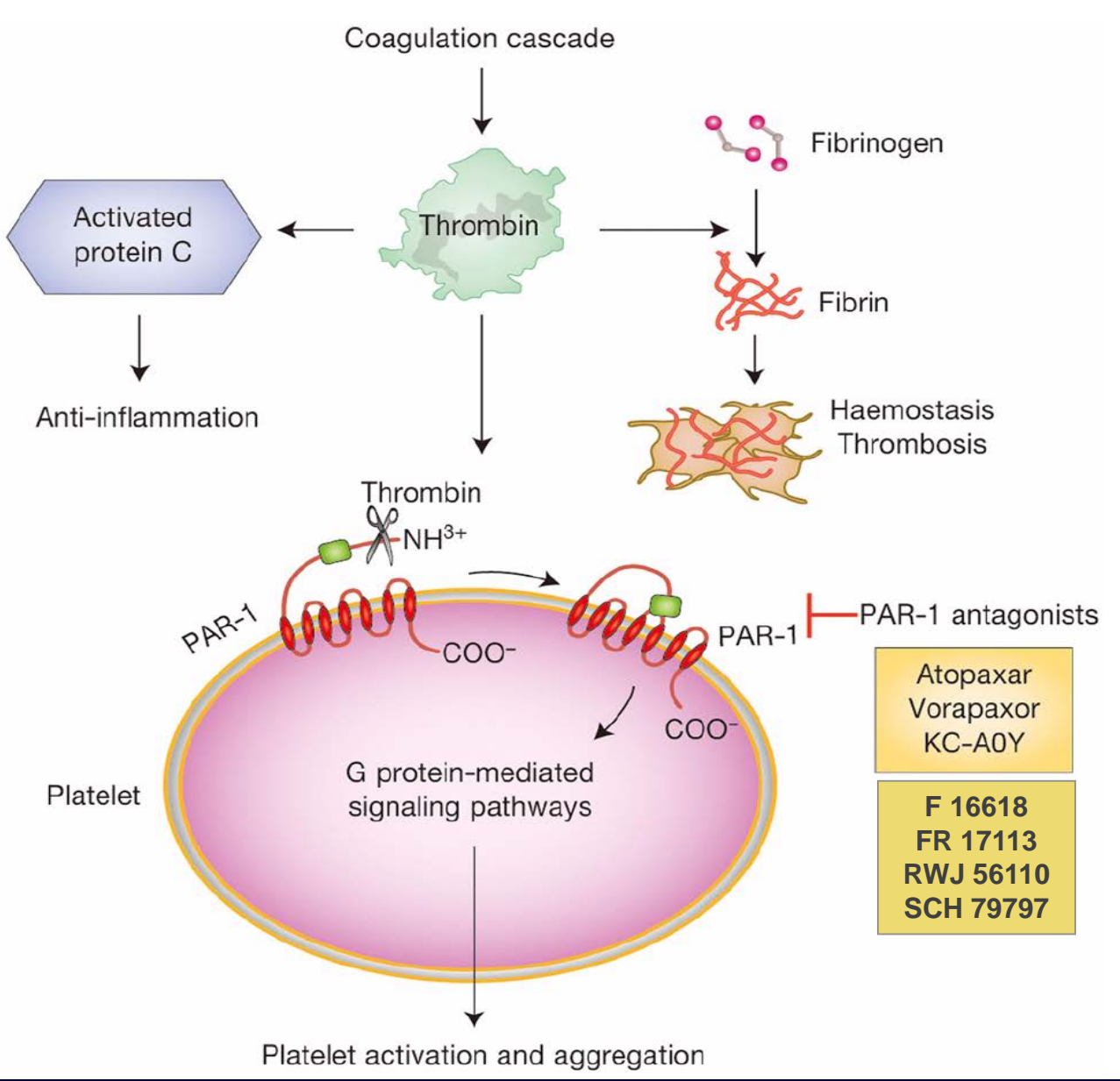


Thrombin Generation Persists Long After ACS



Thrombin Generation is not Prevented by DAPT





Modified from Lee S. Arch Pharm Res 2011;34;515-7

TRA-2P Trial Design

Morrow et al. N Engl J Med 2012
ClinicalTrials.gov NCT00526474

**Prior MI, CVA, or PAD
N=26,449**

Prior MI Inclusion:

Type 1 MI >2 wks and <12 months
before randomization

Standard care
including oral antiplt rx

RANDOMIZE 1:1 DOUBLE BLIND

**Vorapaxar
2.5 mg/d**

Stratified by:

- 1) **Qualifying Disease State**
- 2) **Use of thienopyridine**

Placebo

**Median F/U
30 Months**

**Follow up Visits
Day 30, Mo 4, Mo 8, Mo 12
Q6 months**

Final Visit

Primary Efficacy Analysis:

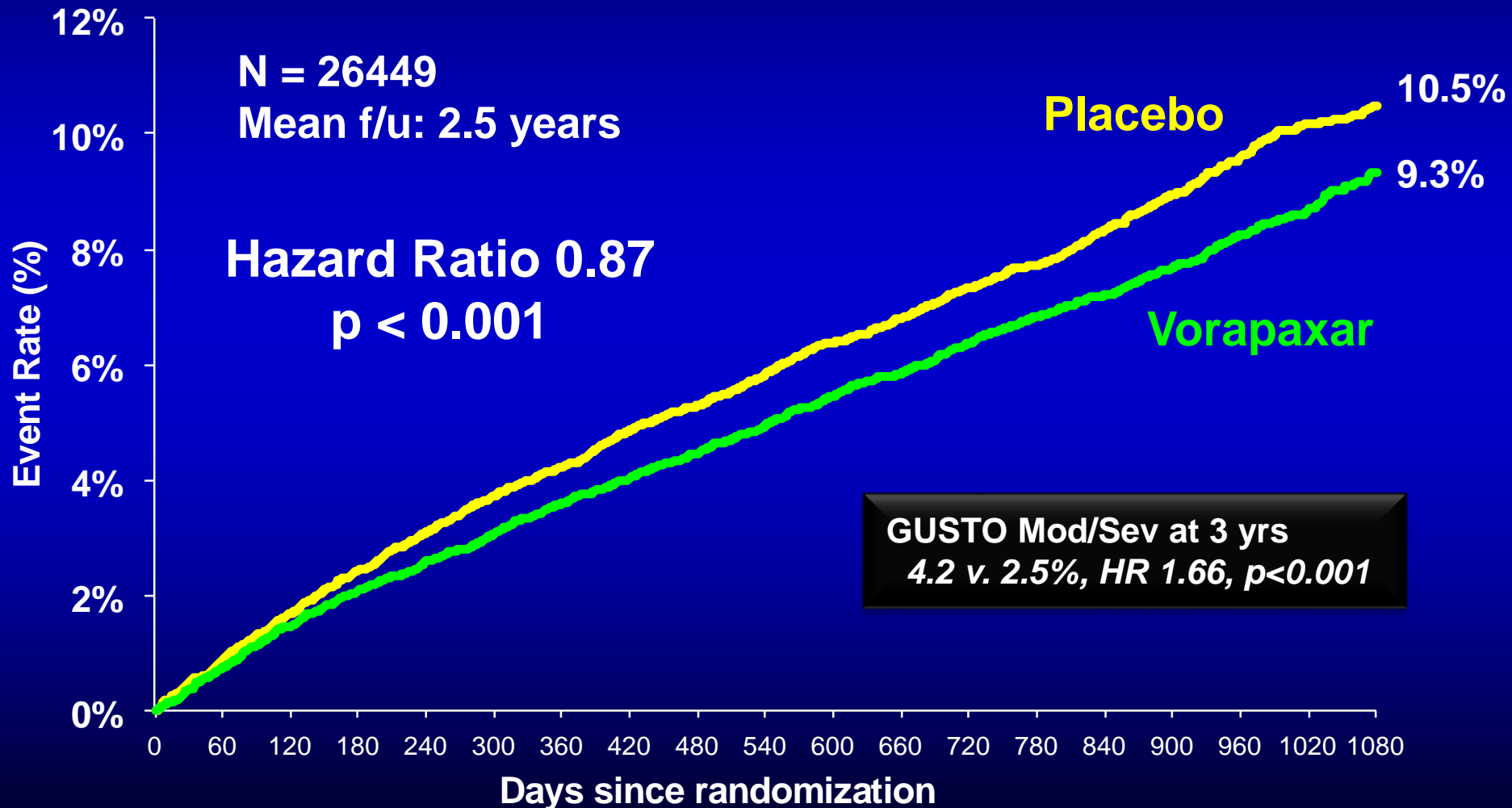
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2. CVD/MI/Stroke/Urgent
Coronary Revasc

Principal Safety EP:

- GUSTO Mod/Sev bleeding

TRA-2P Primary Endpoint

CV Death, MI, or Stroke



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Baseline Characteristics

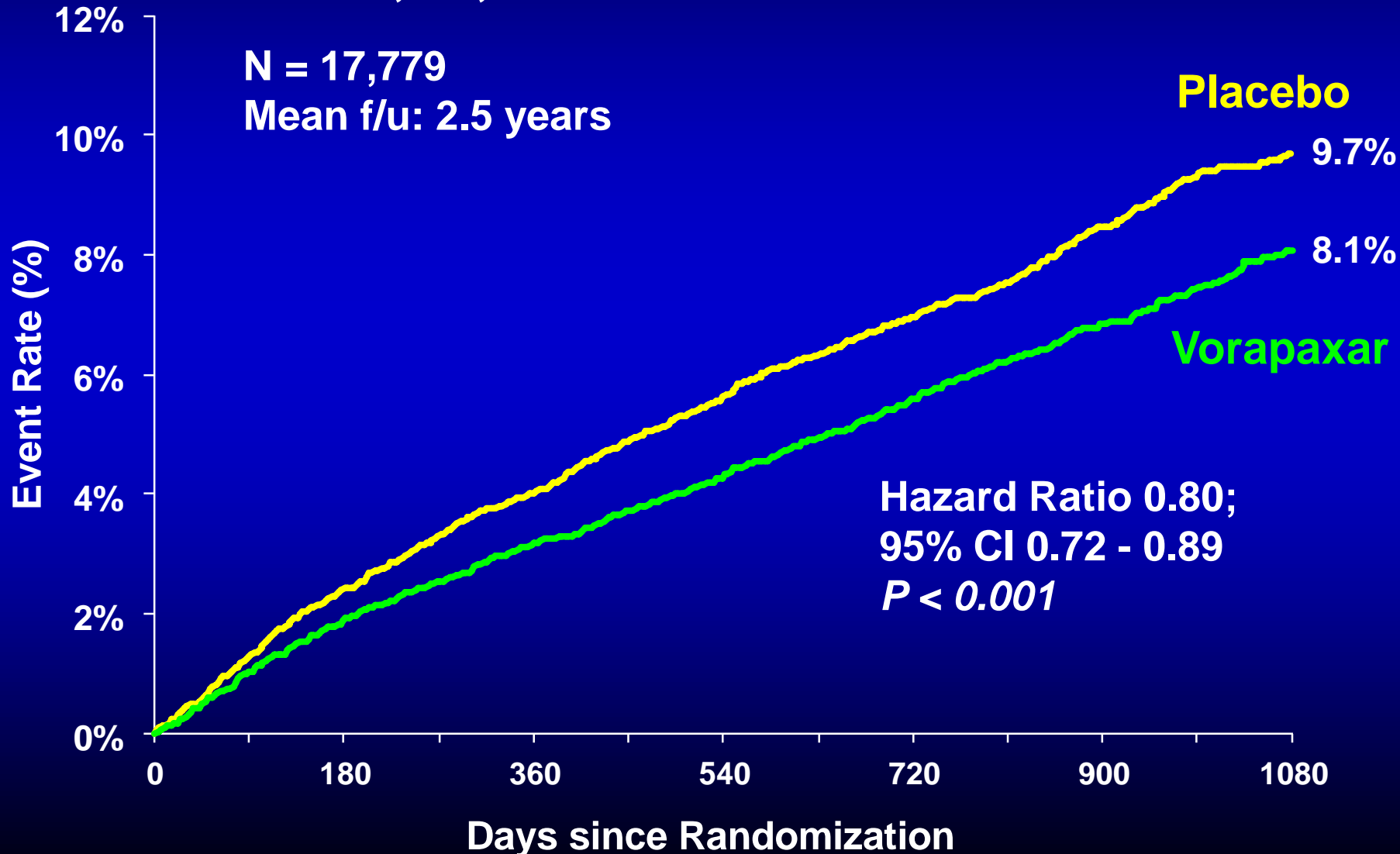
Prior MI Cohort

	Prior MI Cohort N=17,779
<i>Demographics</i>	
Age, median (IQR)	59 (51-66)
Age >=75 years (%)	8
Female (%)	21
<i>Clinical Characteristics</i>	
Diabetes mellitus (%)	22
Hypertension (%)	63
Hyperlipidemia (%)	85
Current smoker (%)	20
Prior coronary revasc (%)	86
Any cerebrovascular event (%)	5
<i>Baseline Medical Therapy</i>	
Aspirin (%)	98
Thienopyridine (%)	78
Lipid-lowering therapy (%)	96

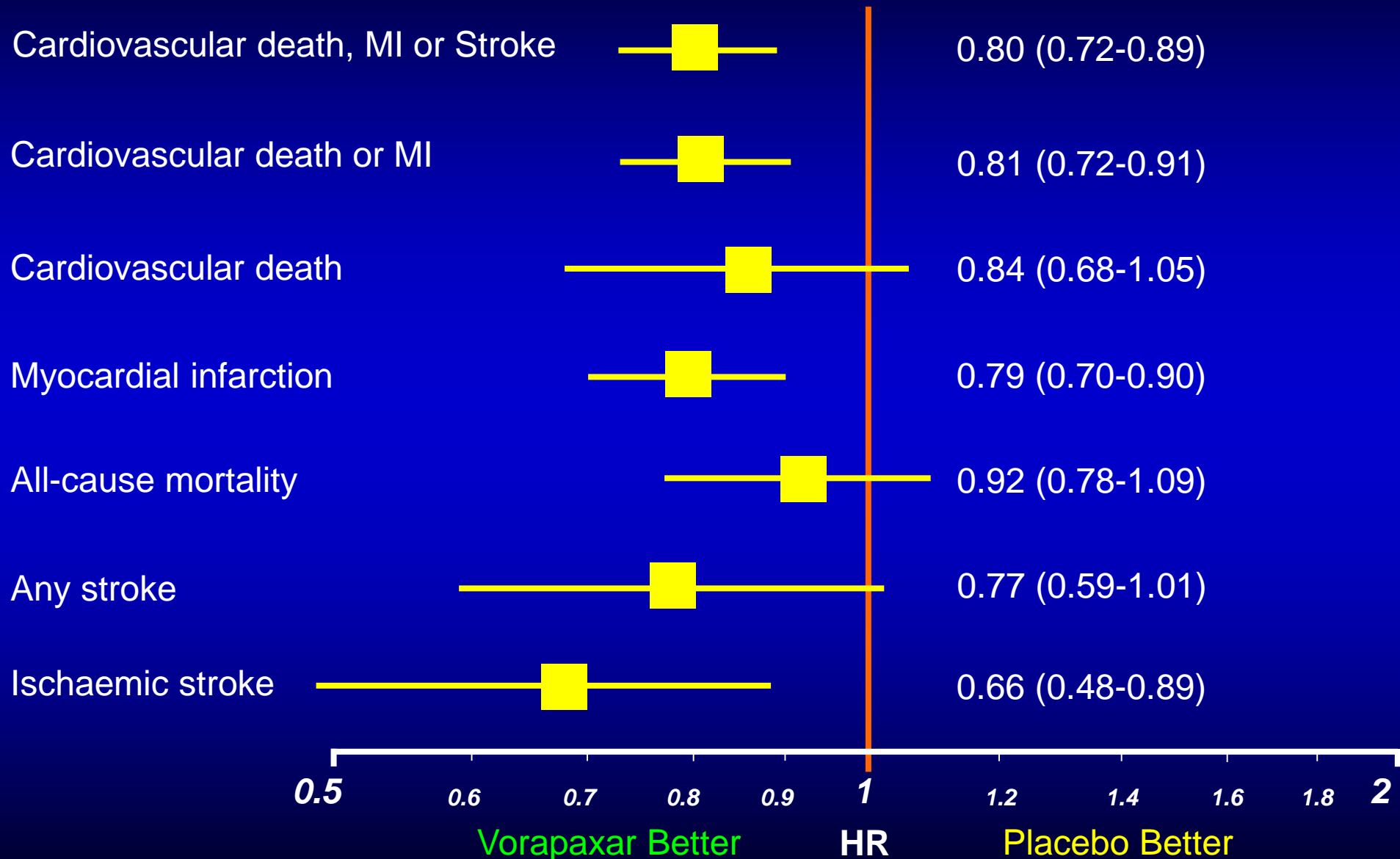
No differences between treatment groups

Primary Efficacy Evaluation

CV Death, MI, or Stroke



Efficacy Endpoints at 3 Years in the MI Population



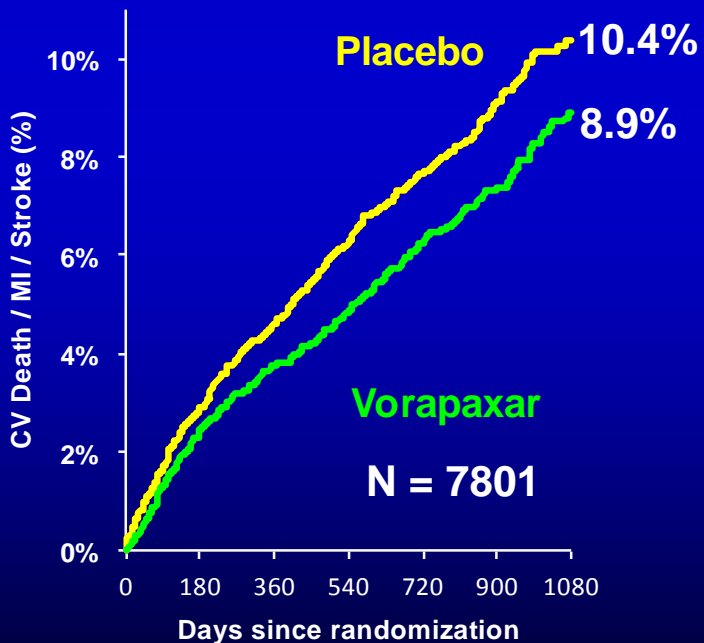
Efficacy by Time from Qual MI

Prior MI Cohort

Time from qualifying MI to Randomizations

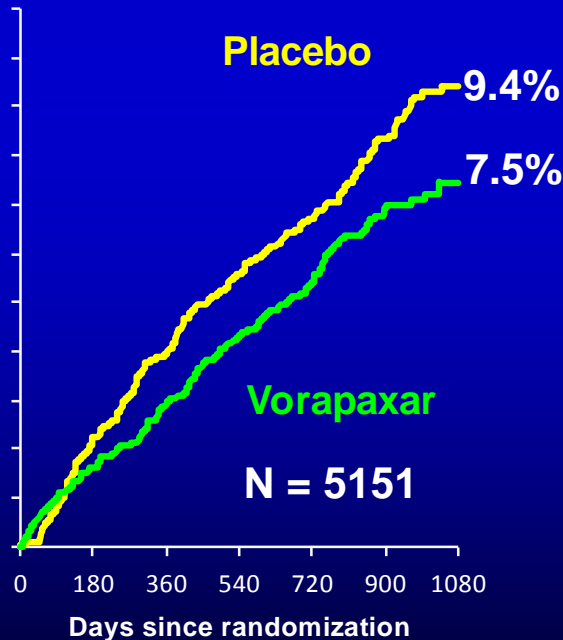
< 3 months

HR 0.82
p = 0.011



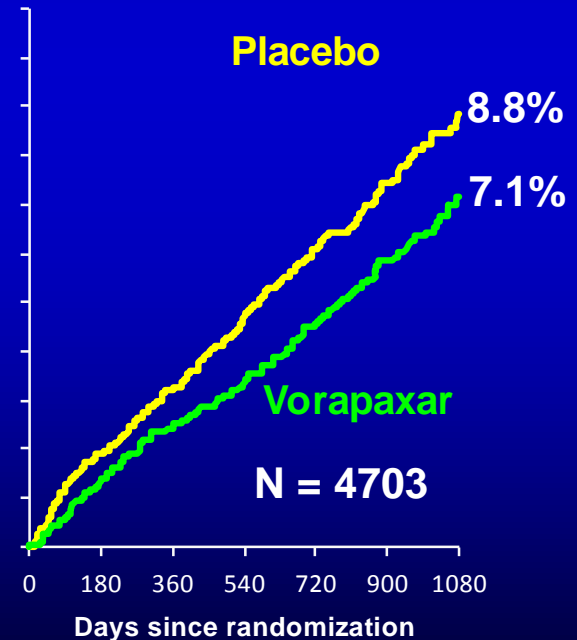
3 to 6 months

HR 0.79
p = 0.023



>6 months

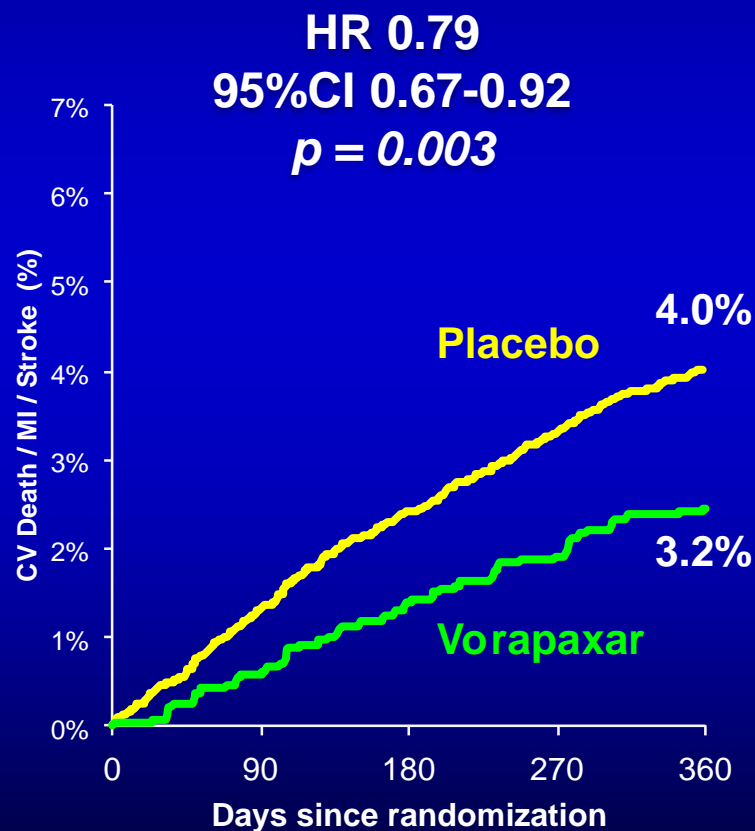
HR 0.78
p = 0.026



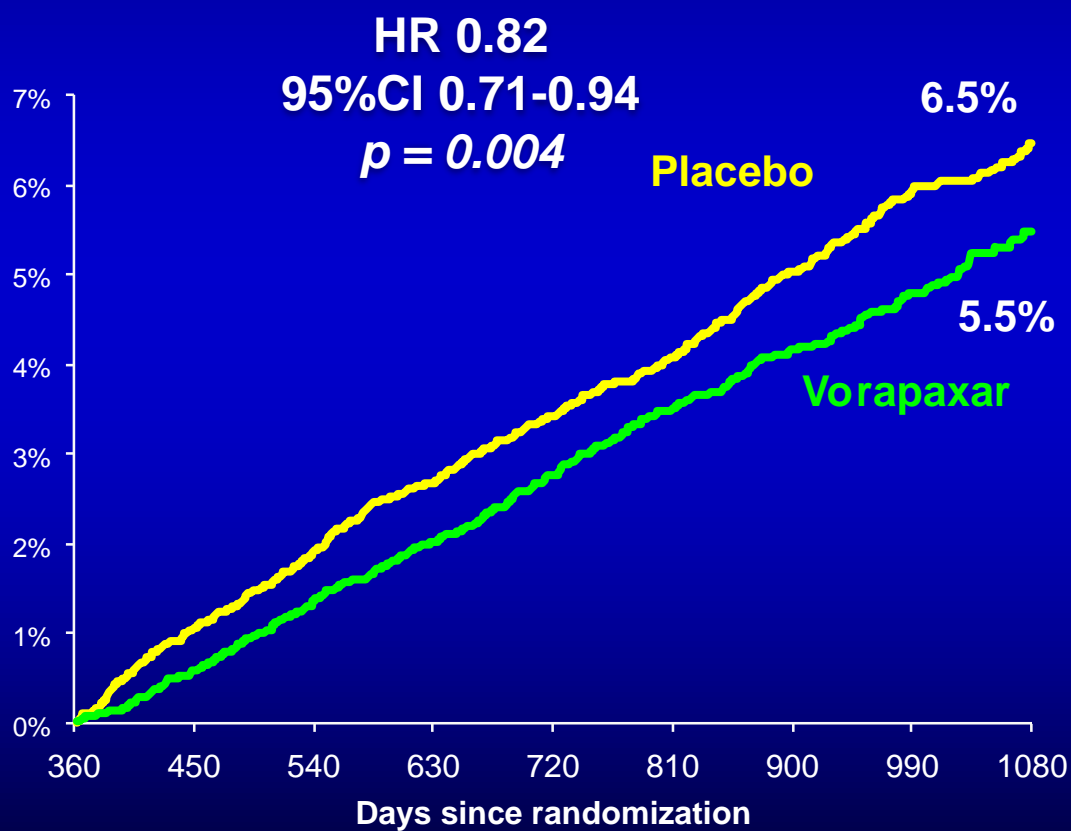
Efficacy Early and Late

Prior MI Cohort

Days 0 to 360

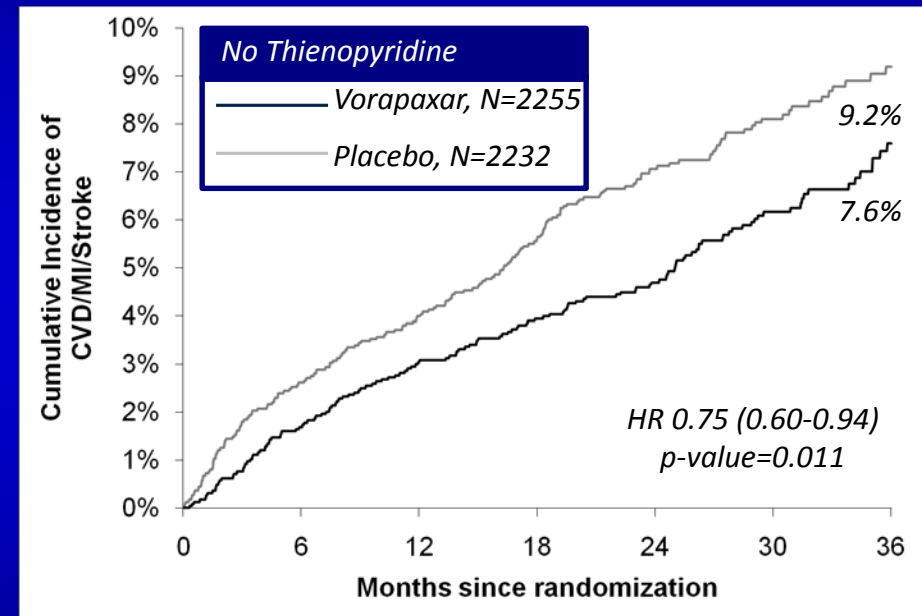
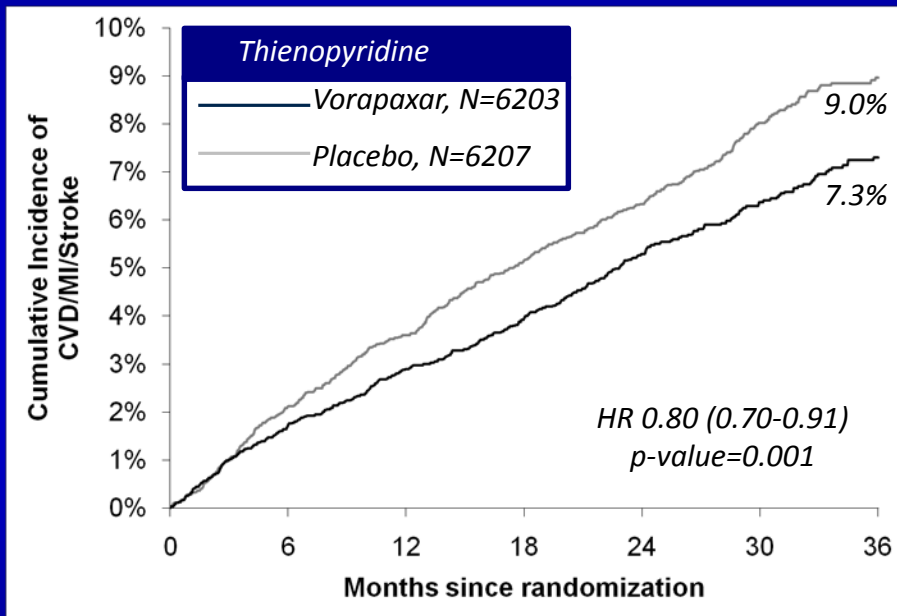


Day 360 to 1080



Primary Efficacy By Planned TP Use

MI Without History of TIA or Stroke



p-interaction = 0.67

- Significant reduction in primary efficacy endpoint (~20-25%)
- No modification by thienopyridine treatment

Safety Endpoints at 3 Years

	Vorapaxar group	Placebo group	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p value
Safety endpoints*				
GUSTO moderate or severe bleeding	241 (3.4%)	151 (2.1%)	1.61 (1.31-1.97)	<0.0001
TIMI clinically significant bleeding	1159 (15.1%)	801 (10.4%)	1.49 (1.36-1.63)	<0.0001
GUSTO severe bleeding	86 (1.2%)	71 (1.0%)	1.22 (0.89-1.67)	0.22
GUSTO moderate bleeding	161 (2.2%)	85 (1.2%)	1.91 (1.47-2.48)	<0.0001
GUSTO mild bleeding	2047 (25.4%)	1432 (18.1%)	1.51 (1.41-1.62)	<0.0001
TIMI non-coronary artery bypass graft, major bleeding	156 (2.2%)	121 (1.6%)	1.29 (1.02-1.64)	0.033
TIMI minor bleeding	108 (1.5%)	44 (0.6%)	2.47 (1.74-3.51)	<0.0001
TIMI non-coronary artery bypass graft, major or minor bleeding	258 (3.6%)	162 (2.2%)	1.60 (1.32-1.95)	<0.0001
Fatal bleeding	14 (0.2%)	9 (0.1%)	1.56 (0.67-3.60)	0.30
Intracranial haemorrhage	43 (0.6%)	28 (0.4%)	1.54 (0.96-2.48)	0.076

Net Clinical Outcome in All MI Patients

Cardiovascular death, MI, Stroke,
Urgent coronary revascularization,
GUSTO moderate or severe bleeding



0.91 (0.84-0.99)

Cardiovascular death, MI, Stroke,
GUSTO moderate or severe bleeding



0.91 (0.83-1.01)

All-cause death, MI, Stroke, or
GUSTO severe bleed



0.86 (0.78-0.95)



ONE SIZE FITS ALL.
EXCEPT FOR YOU,
OF COURSE.



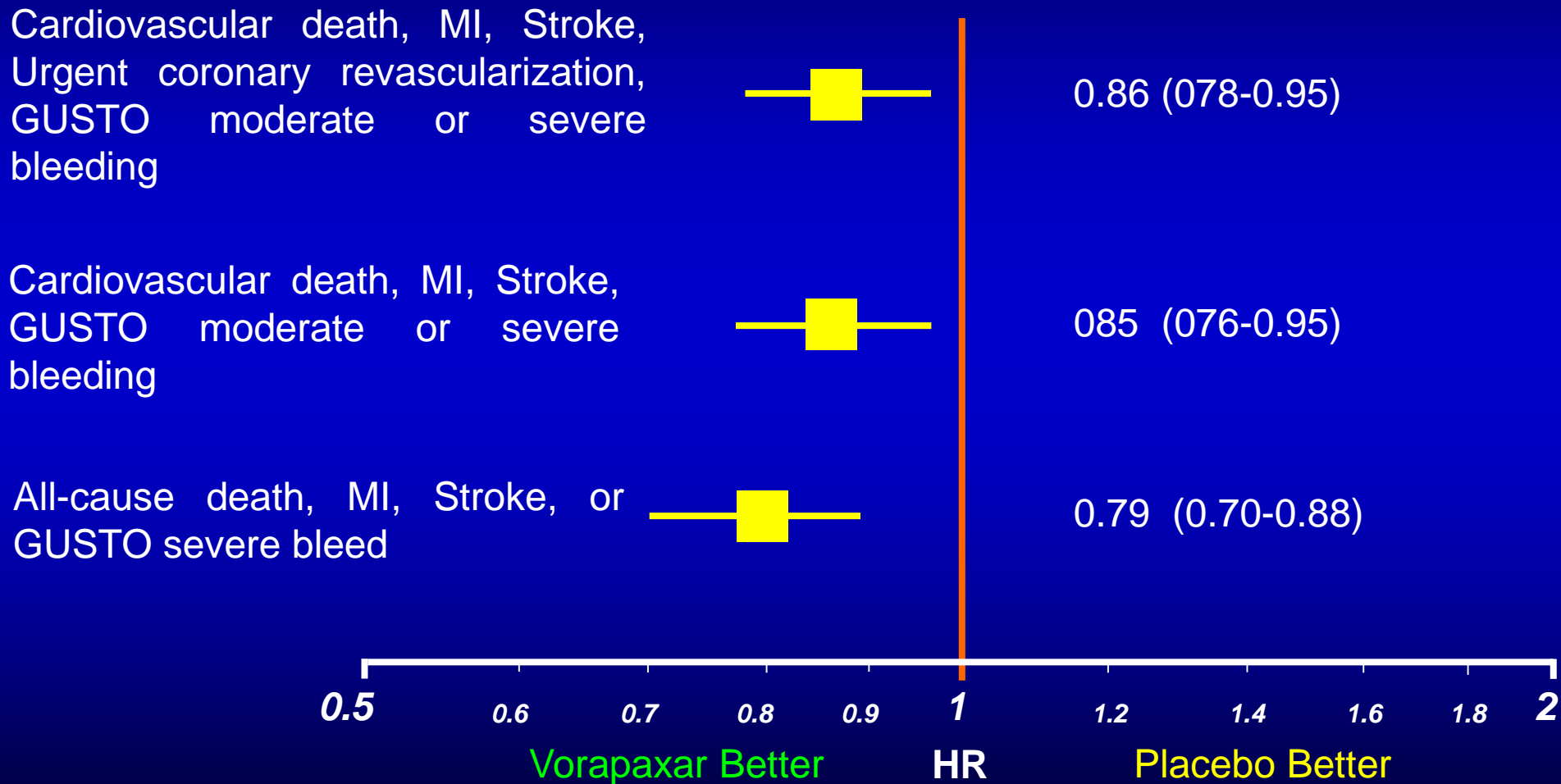
**Can we further improve
the Net Clinical Benefit ?**

Net Clinical Benefit of Vorapaxar in TRA-2P: Analysis of the Low Bleeding Risk Cohort

- Based on prior studies¹, we applied previously established criteria to identify patients with a low risk of bleeding who have potential for improved net clinical outcomes with potent antiplatelet Rx:
 - No hx of stroke/TIA
 - Weight ≥ 60 kg
 - Age < 75 yr
 - -14,909 patients (84% of prior MI cohort)

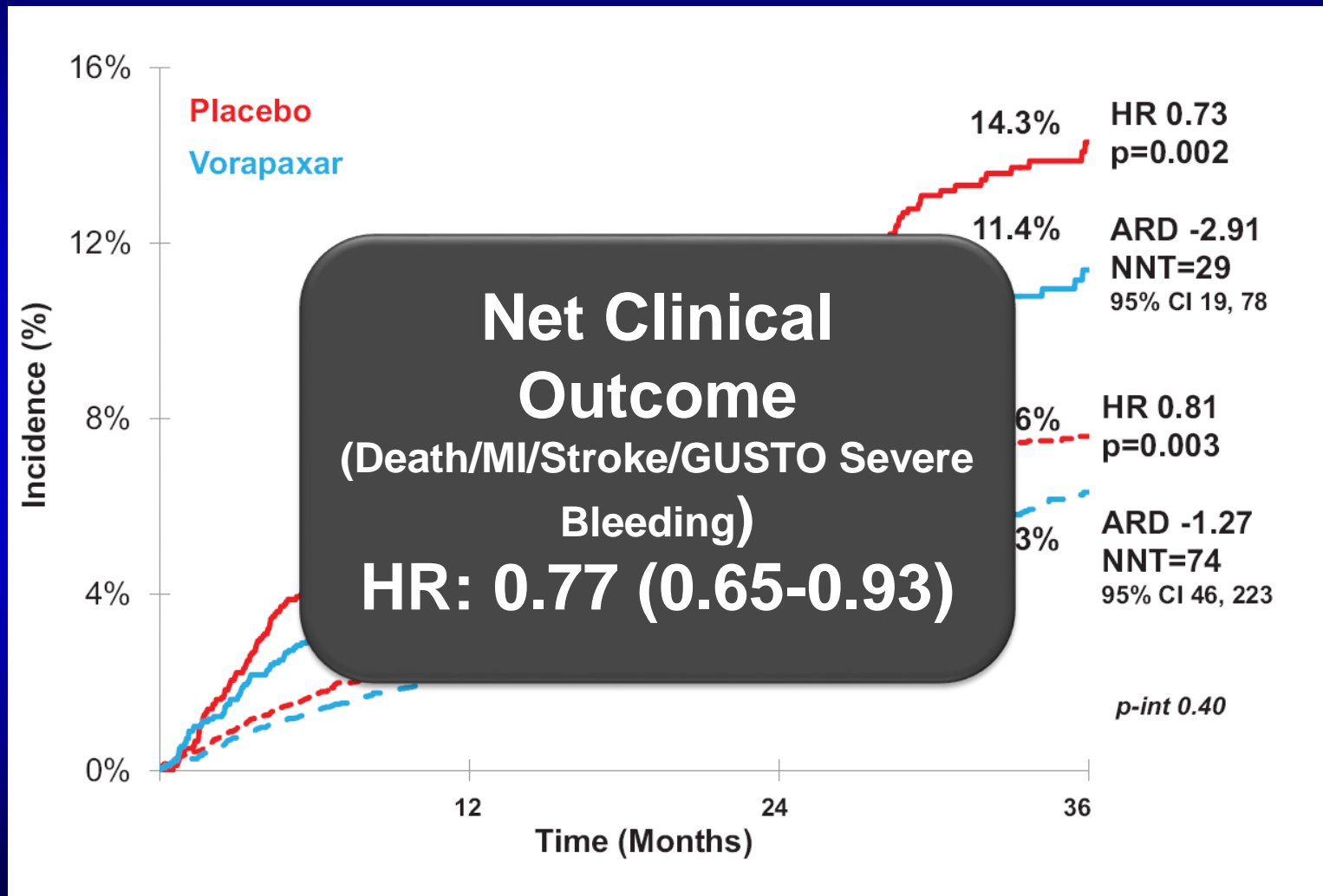
¹ Wiviott SD, et al. NEJM 2007

Net Clinical Outcome in Low Bleeding Risk Cohort

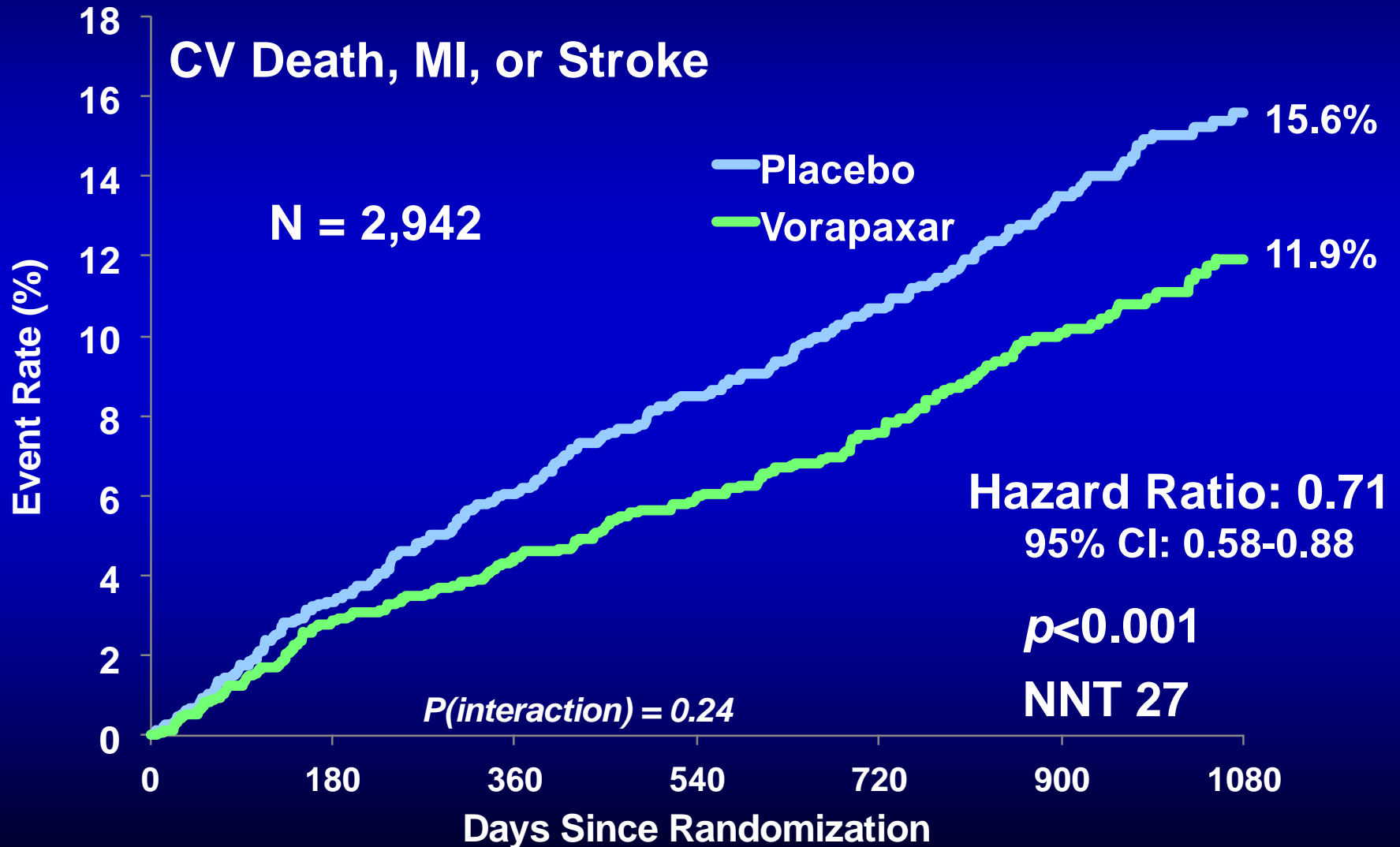


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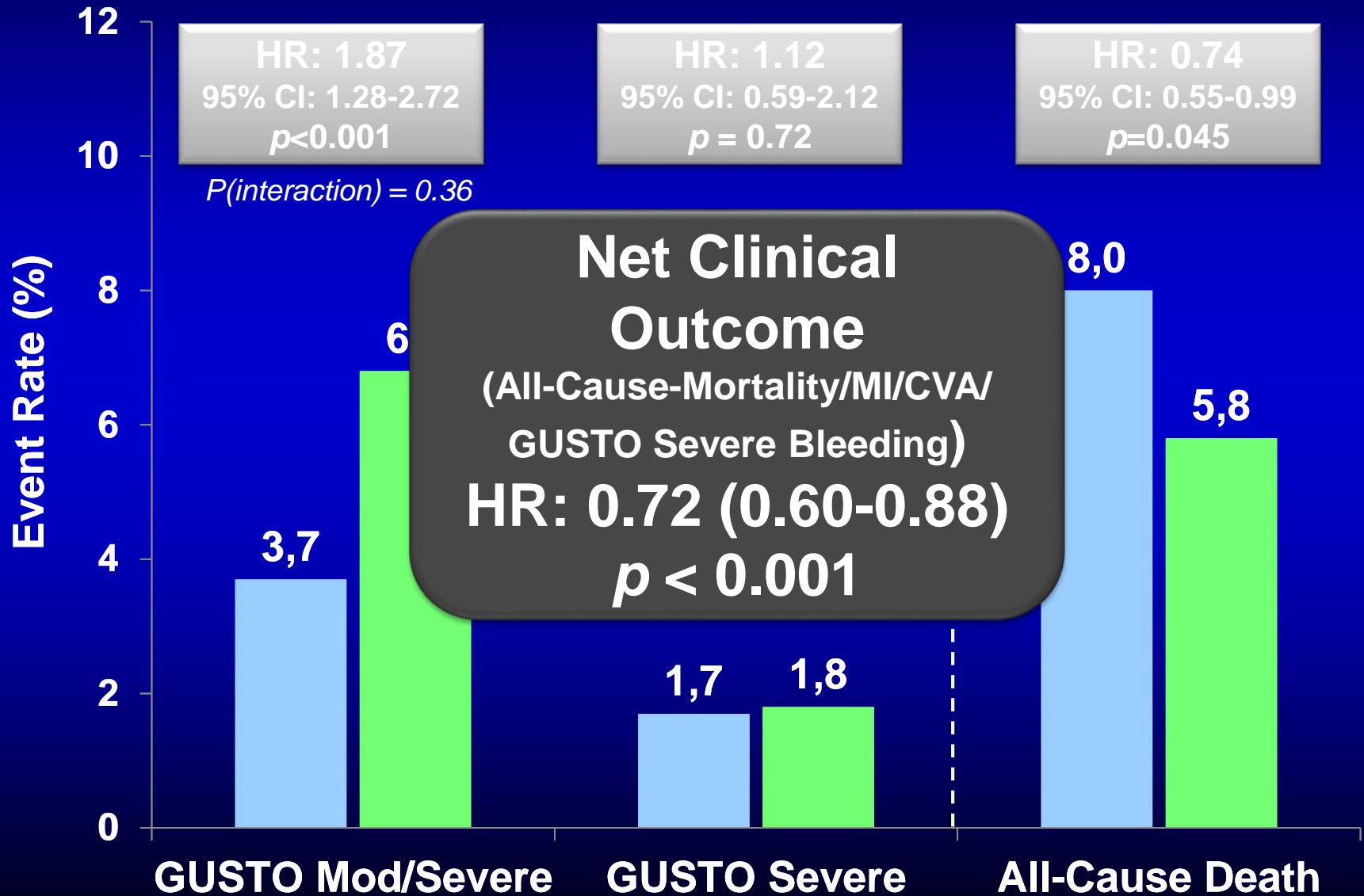
Efficacy of Vorapaxar in Patients w/ Prior MI Based on Diabetes History



Efficacy of Vorapaxar in Patients with Prior CABG



Safety Endpoints in the Prior CABG Population



Take Home Messages

- **Thrombin plays a pivotal role in platelet aggregation**
- **The addition of the PAR-1 Receptors Antagonist Vorapaxar reduces MACE in patients with a previous MI at the expense of an increase in bleeding**
- **The net clinical benefit can be improved by careful patient selection.**

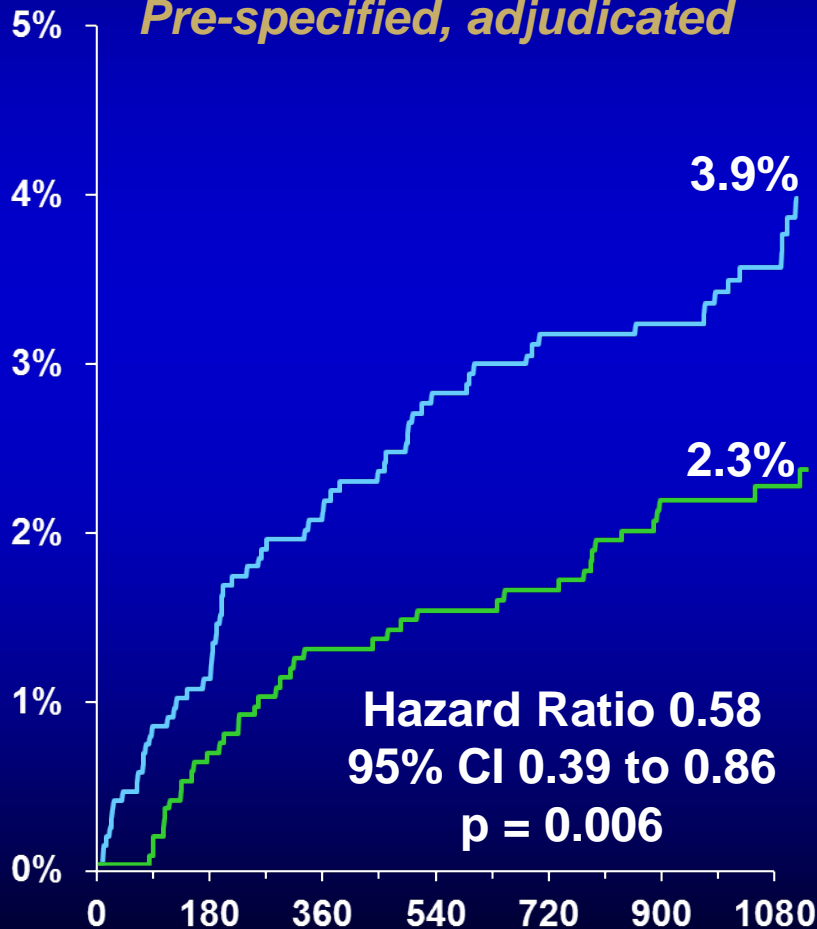
- **Discussion slides**

Vorapaxar and Limb Vascular Efficacy

Hospitalization for Acute Limb Ischemia

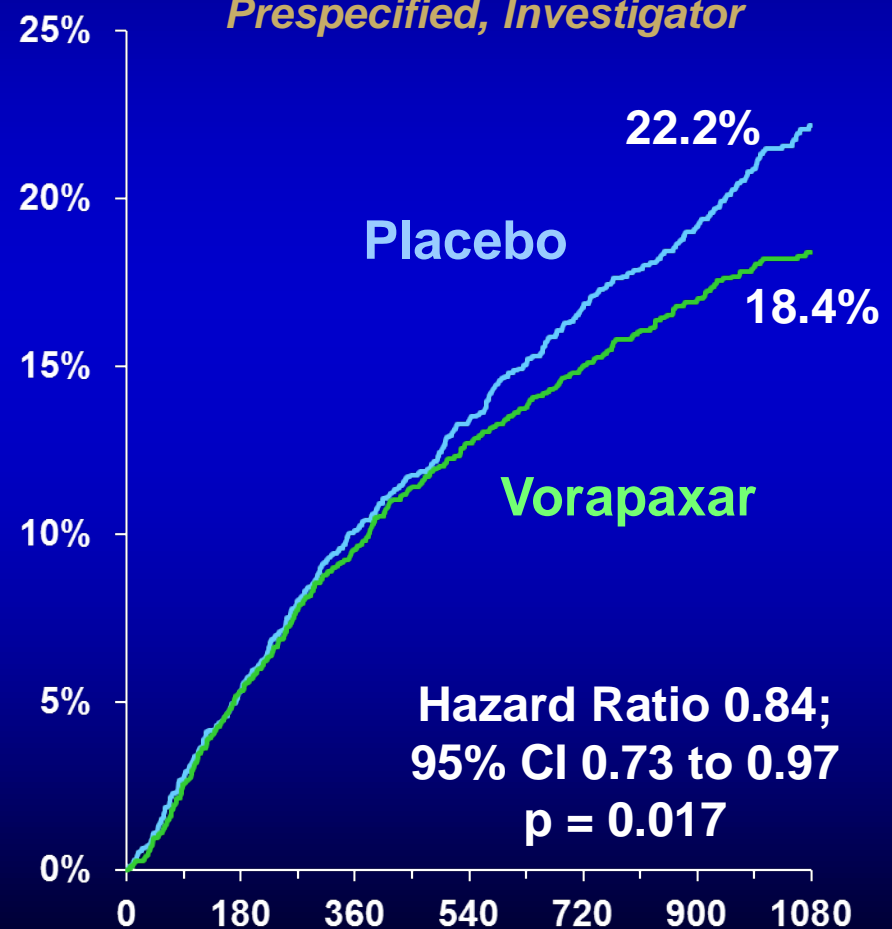
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N = 3767



Peripheral Revascularization

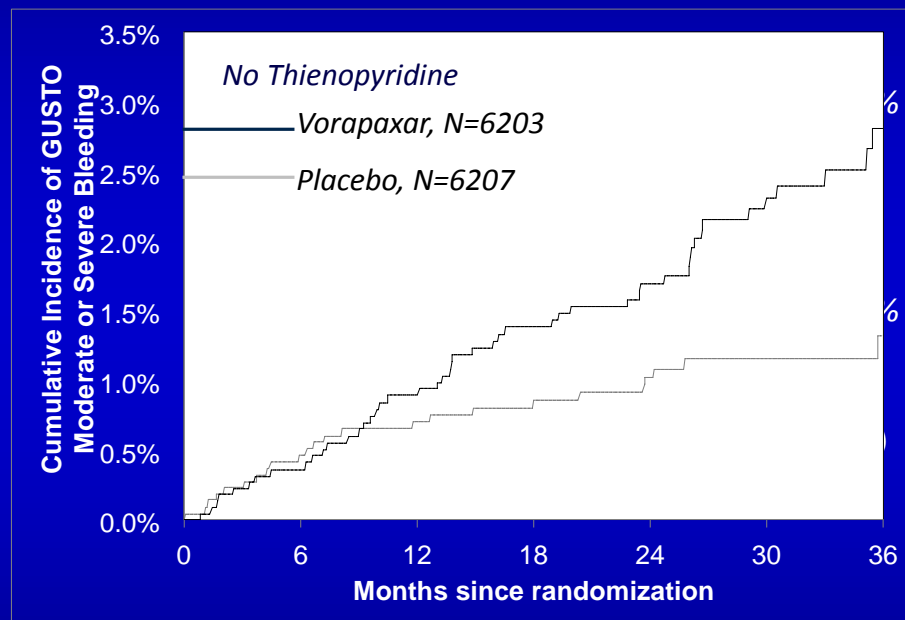
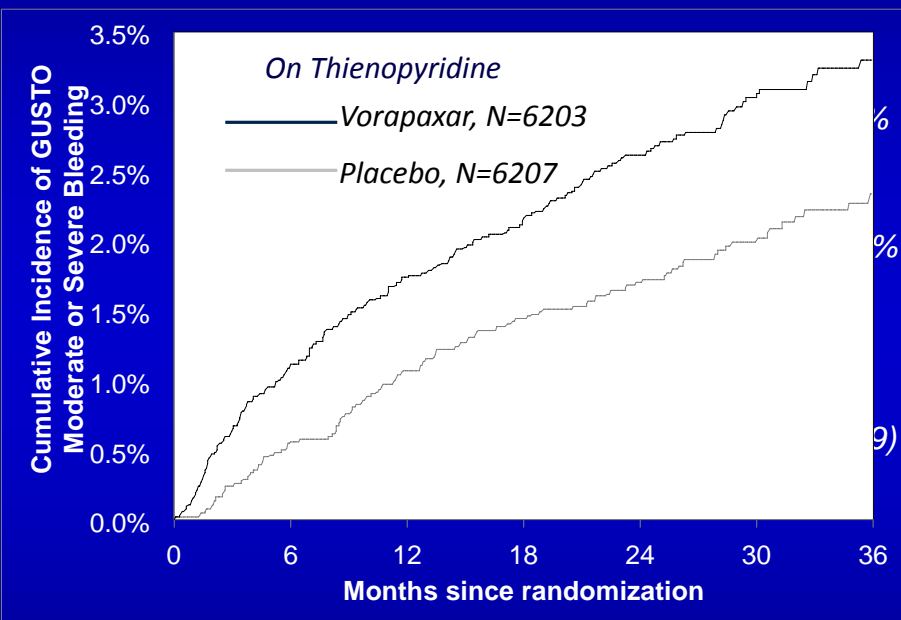
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Primary Safety By Planned TP Use

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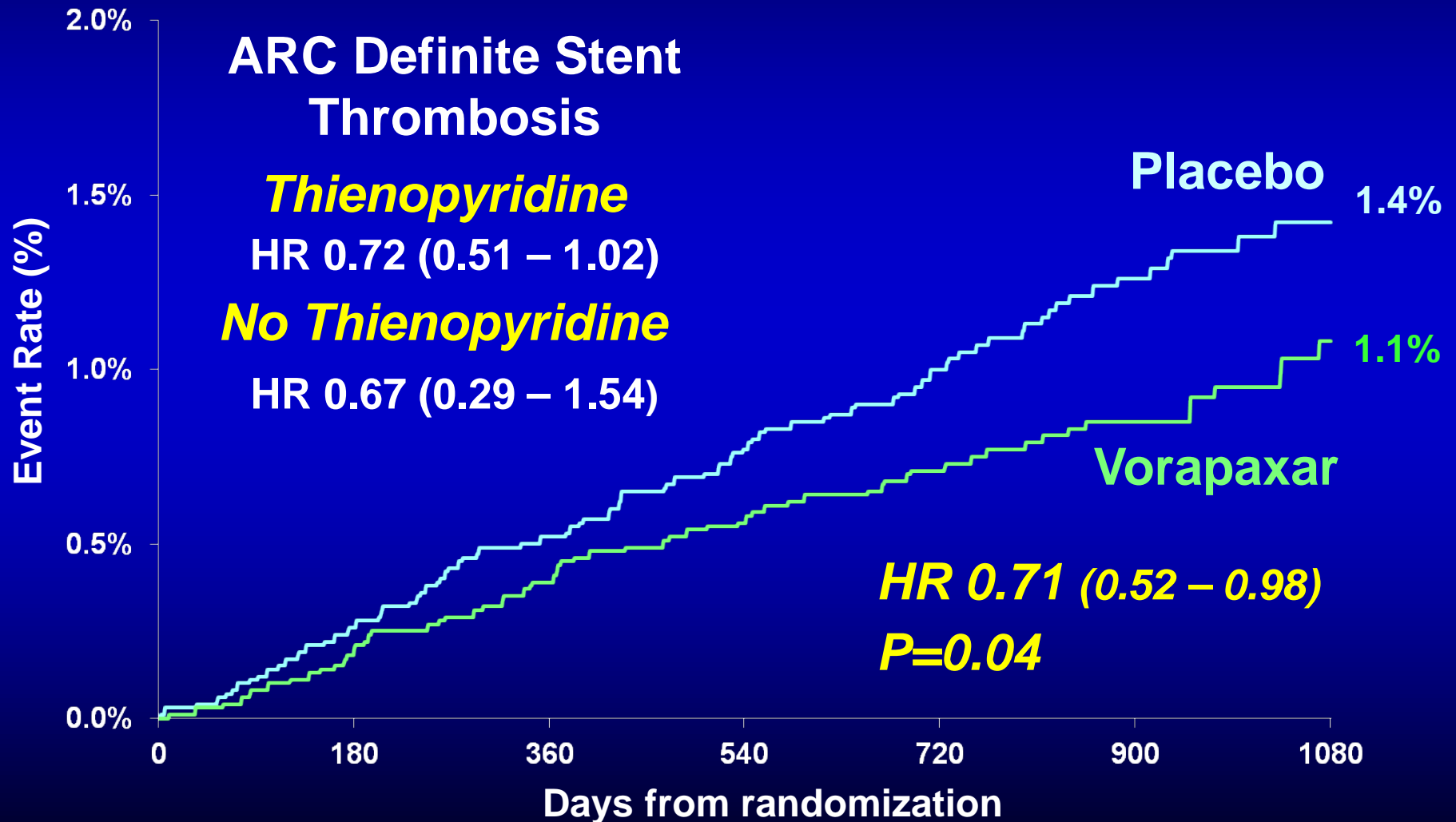
Overall HR ~1.6



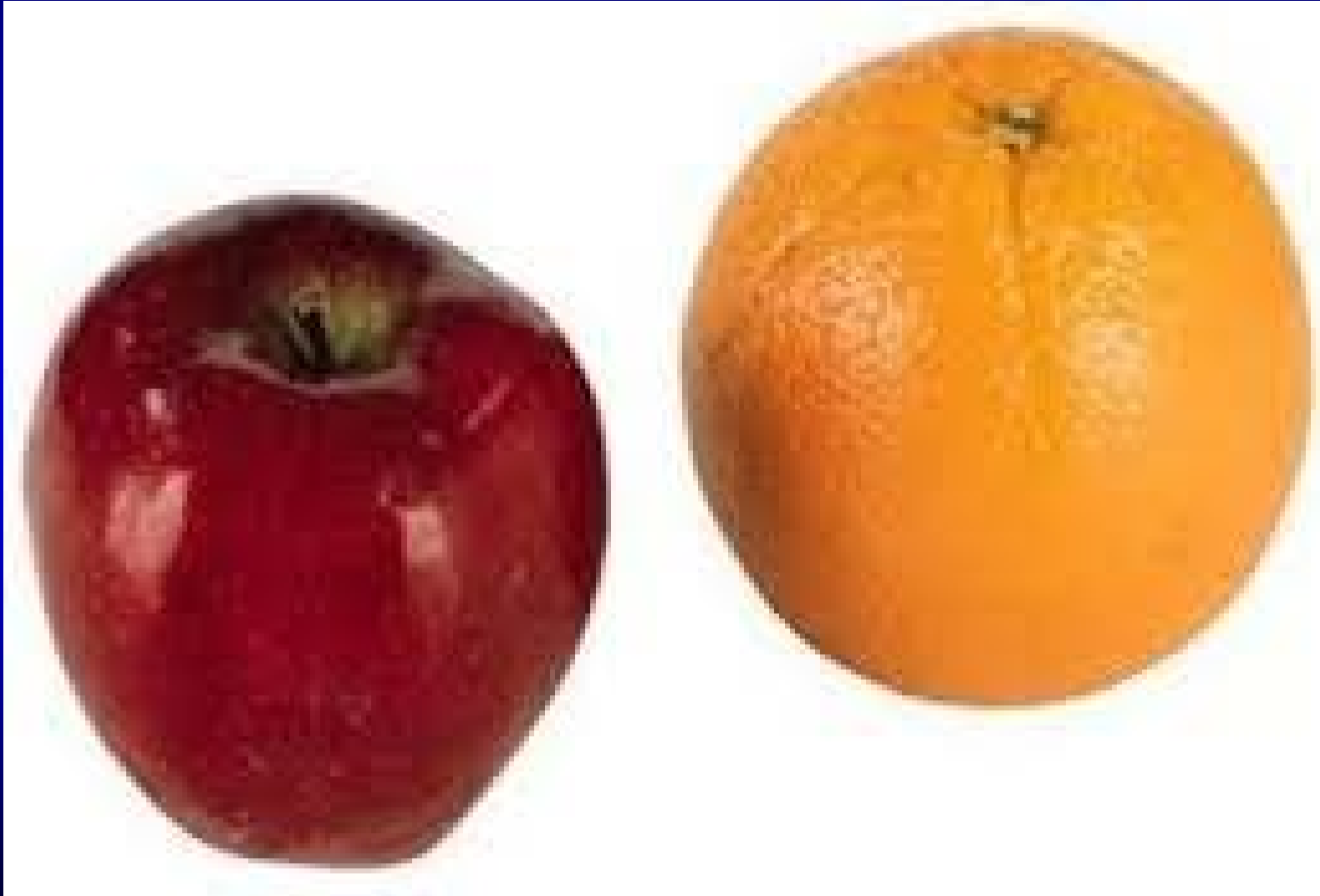
p -interaction = 0.37

- Significantly more GUSTO moderate or severe bleeding events
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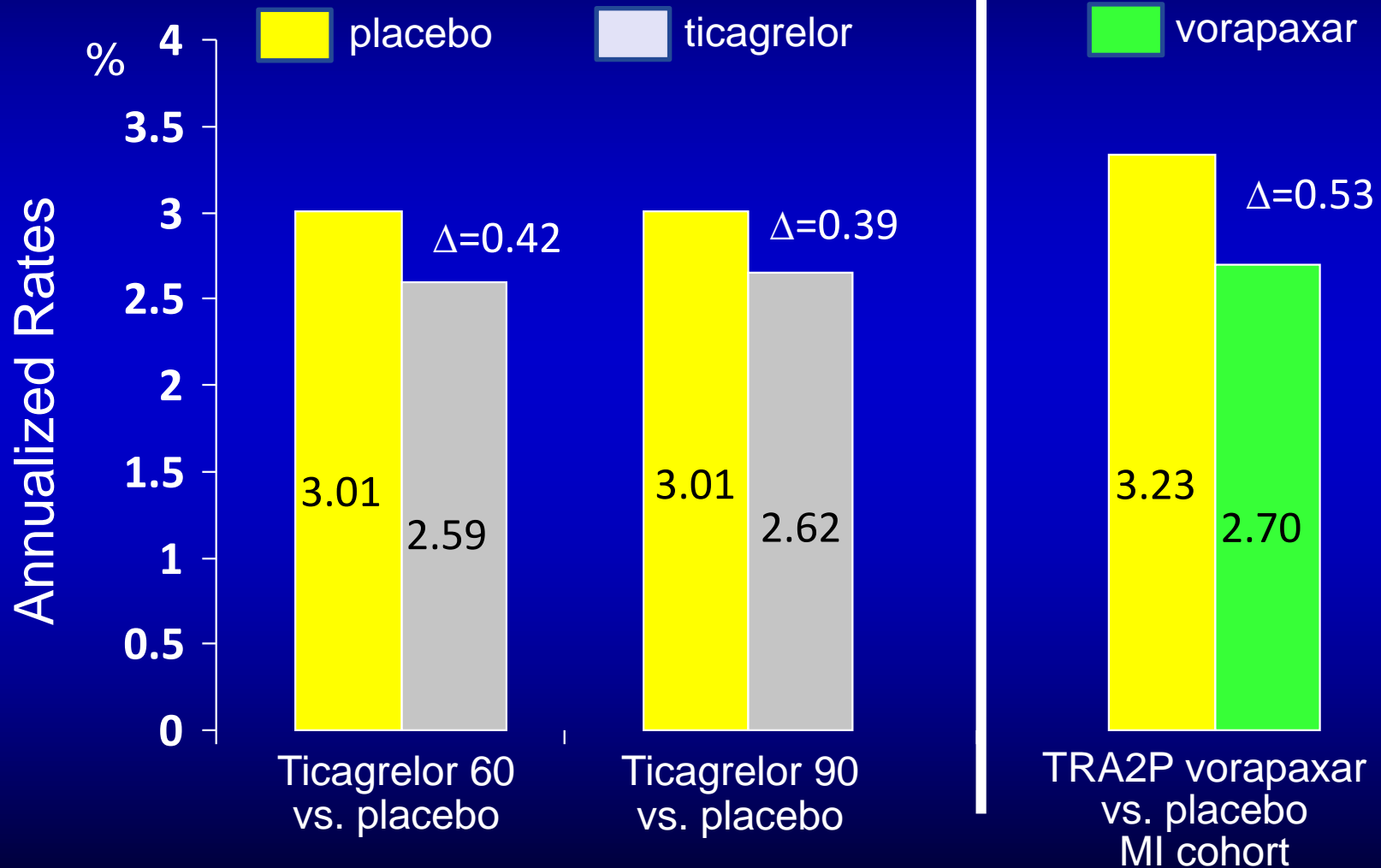
Stent Thrombosis by Randomized Treatment



**Be aware: we are now starting
an inappropriate activity**



Aggressive Treatment and CV Death/MI/Stroke

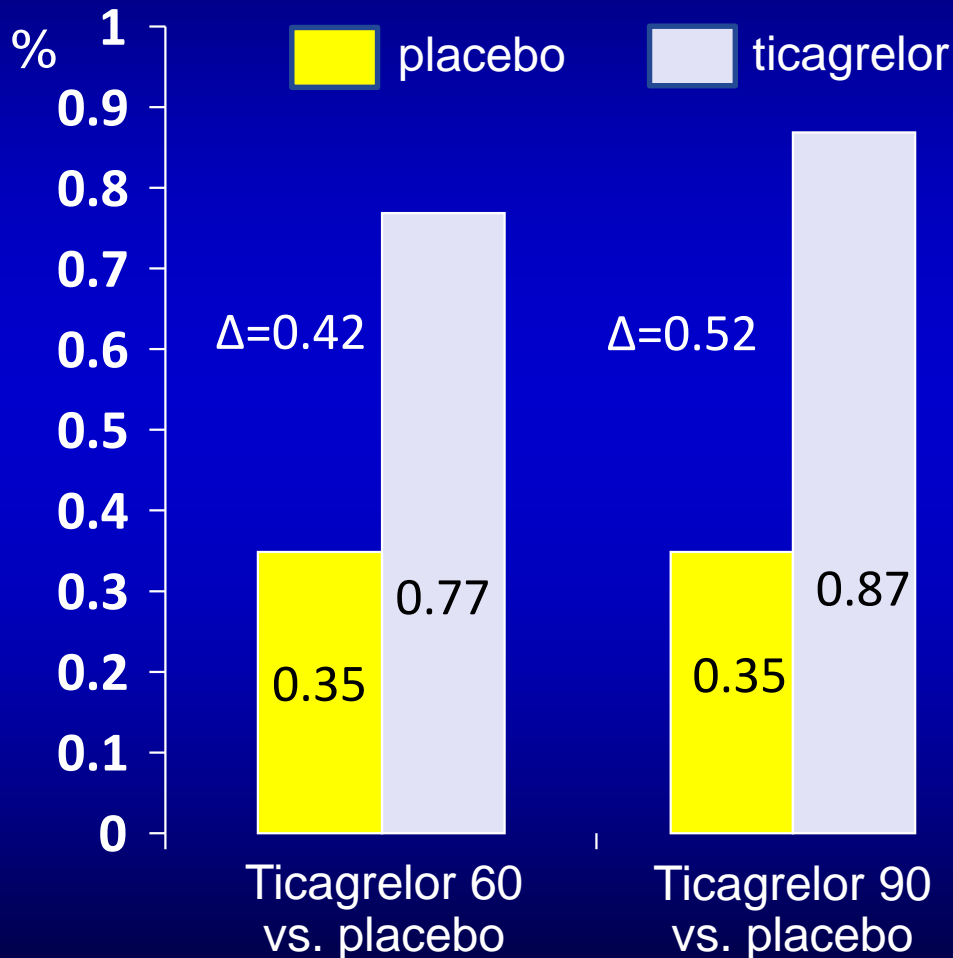


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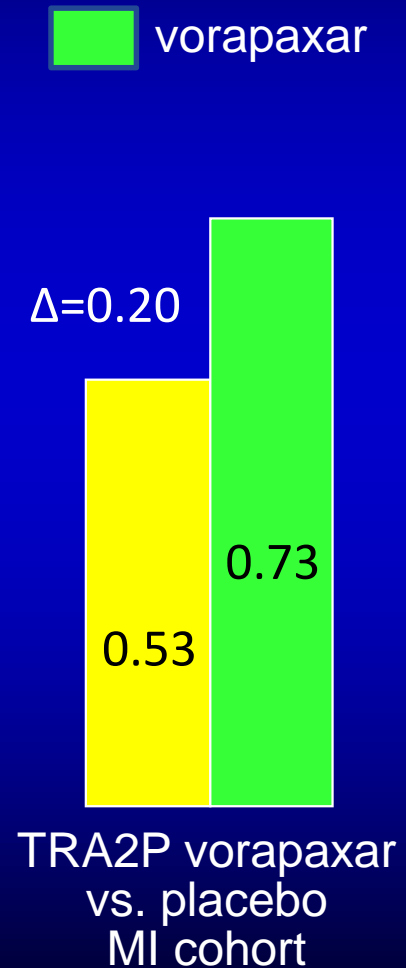
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Aggressive Treatment and Bleeding

Annualized Rates of TIMI non-CABG major bleeds

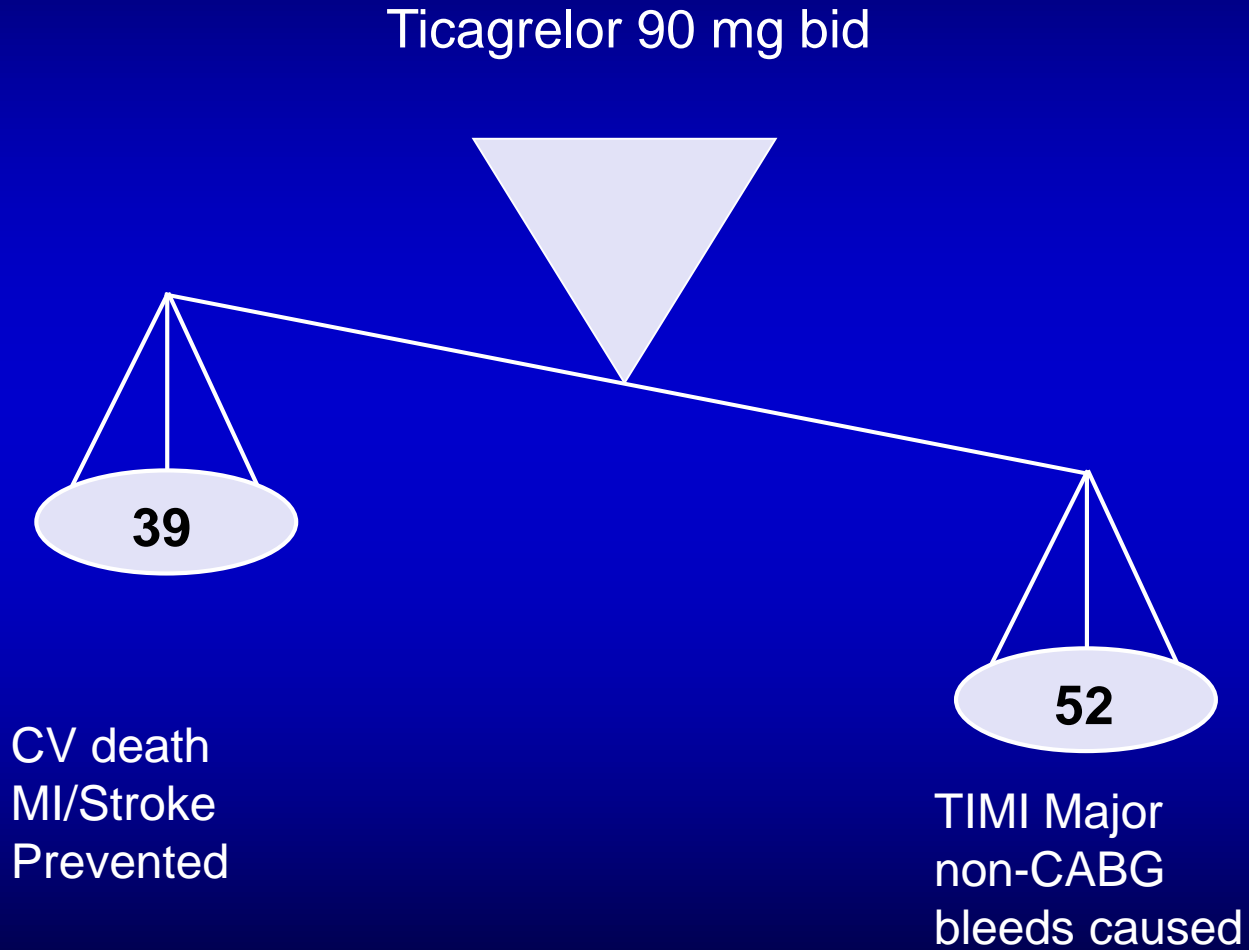


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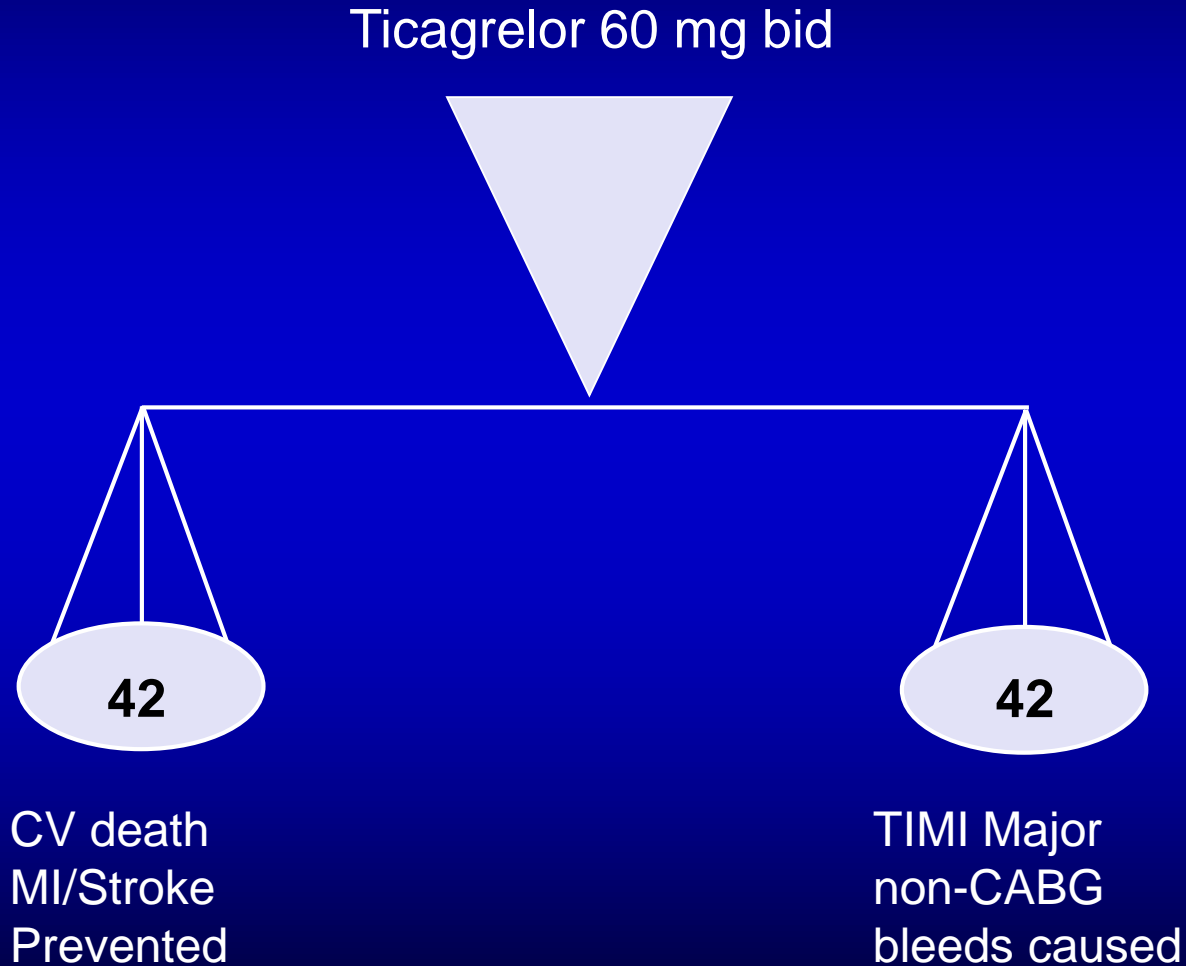


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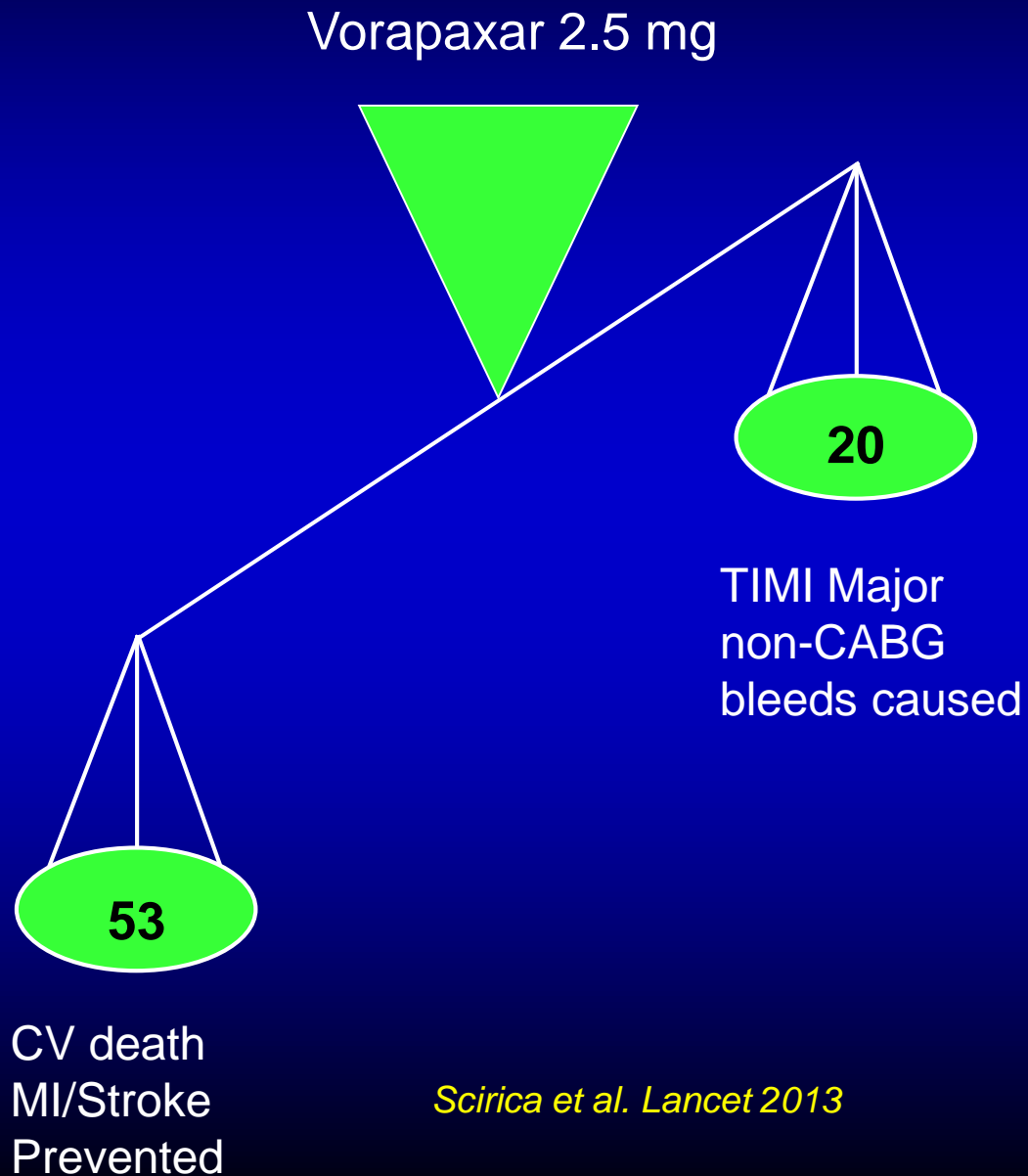
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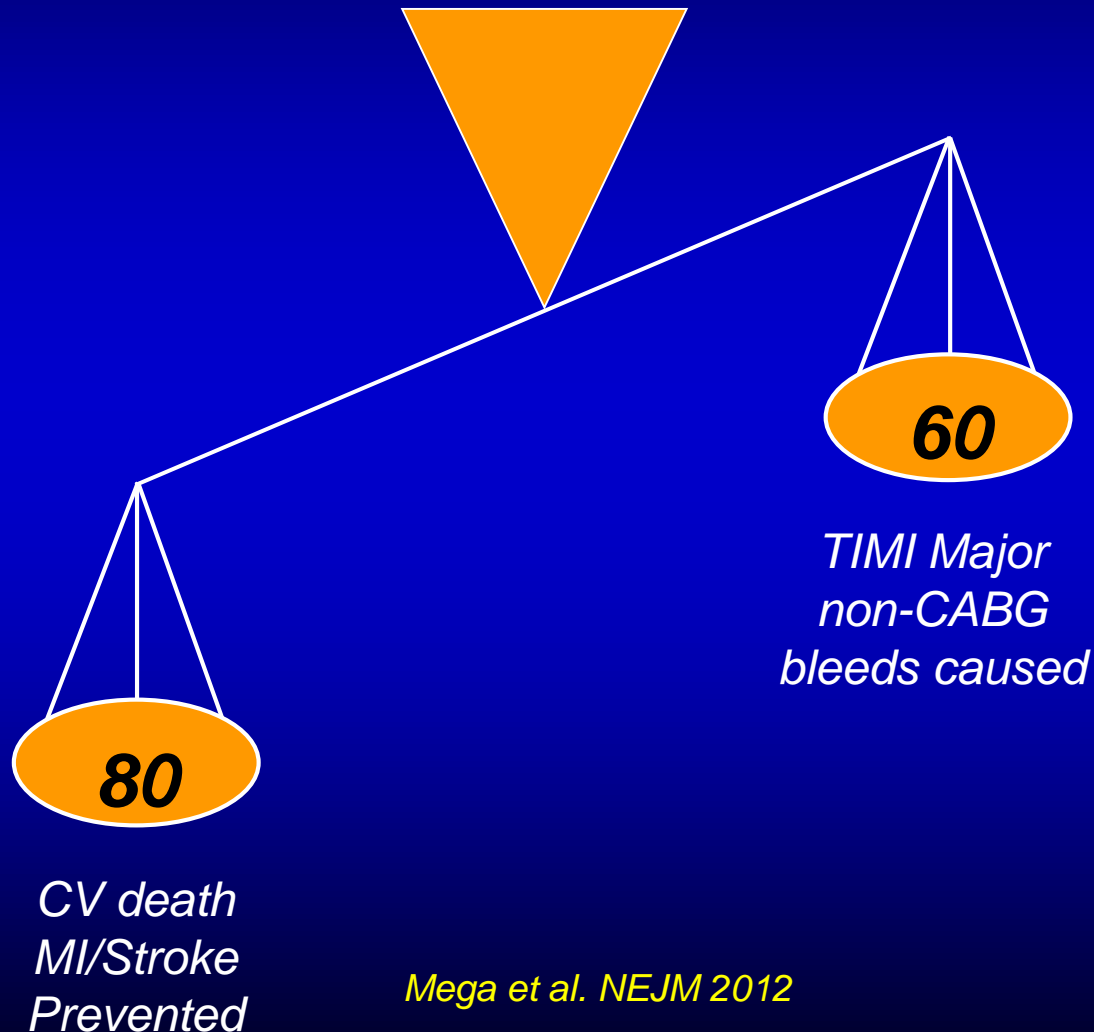
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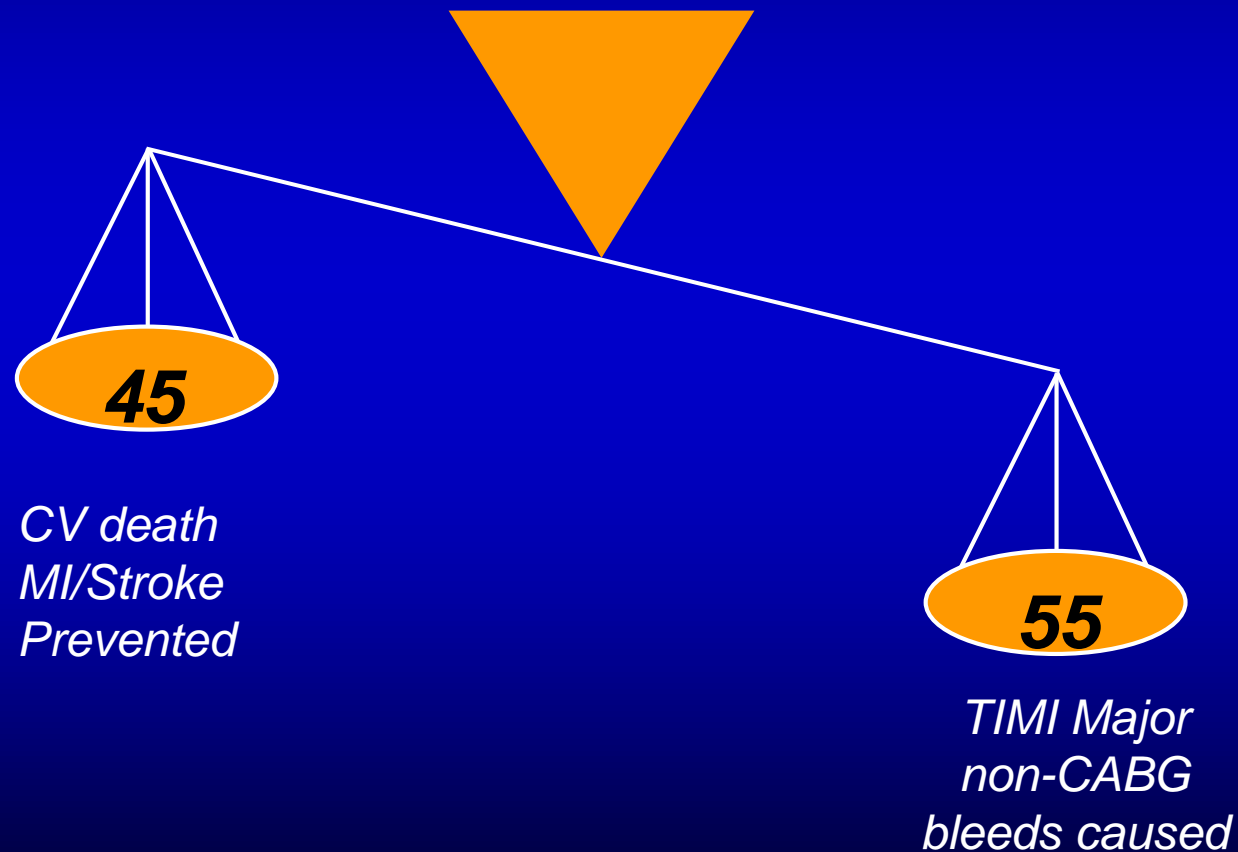
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Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg bid (overall pop.)



Effect of Treatment for 10000 Pt. Years vs Placebo

Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg bid (STEMI pop.)



Mega et al. NEJM 2012

DAPT-MI; TRA 2°P-TIMI50; PEGASUS

Clinical characteristics in the three trials

	DAPT-MI n=3.371	PEGASUS n=21.162	TRA 2°P-TIMI50 n=17.779
Age (median)	58	65	59
Female	22%	24%	21%
Weight (Kg)	90	82	N.A.
Diabetes	21%	32%	22%
Hypertension	58%	77%	62%
STEMI	47%	53%	52%
PAD	3%	5%	9%
CKD	3%	23%	11%
Prior PCI	100%	83%	83%
Multivessel CAD	NA	59%	NA
PriorStroke/TIA	2%	Excluded	5%
F-up duration (months)	18	33 (median)	30 (median)

PEGASUS and TRA2P Results Comparison

Item	TRA2 ^o P (PLP)	PEGASUS T60 arm
Population	Hx stroke excluded MI 2 wks-12mo prior	Hx stroke excluded MI 1-3 yrs prior
% Female / Smoker	20 / 20	24 / 17
% Diabetic / PAD	21 / 5.0	32 / 5.4
Age (yr)	59±10	65±8
Background Rx	ASA ± clopidogrel	ASA
3yr KM% MACE	7.4 vs. 9.0 (HR .78, p<.001)	7.8 vs. 9.0 (HR .84, p=.004)
3yr KM% CV Death	1.9 vs. 2.2 (HR .82, ns)	2.9 vs. 3.4 (HR .83, ns)
3yr KM% All Death	3.4 vs. 3.7 (HR .91, ns)	4.7 vs. 5.2 (HR .89, ns)
3yr KM% TIMI maj	2.2 vs. 1.8 (HR 1.2, ns)	2.3 vs. 1.1 (HR 2.3, p<.001)
Gout (%)	1.4 vs. 1.2 (HR N/C)	2.0 vs. 1.5 (HR 1.5, p=.01)
Dyspnea (%)	4.1 vs. 4.3 (HR N/C)	15.8 vs. 6.4 (HR 2.7, p<.001)
...leading to D/C	N=8 vs. N=6	297 (4.3%) vs 51 (0.7%) p<.001

N/C = not calculated

Prolonged Antiplatelet Therapy and Bleeding

GUSTO Moderate or Severe

