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(although I was once accused of being an Interventionalist)

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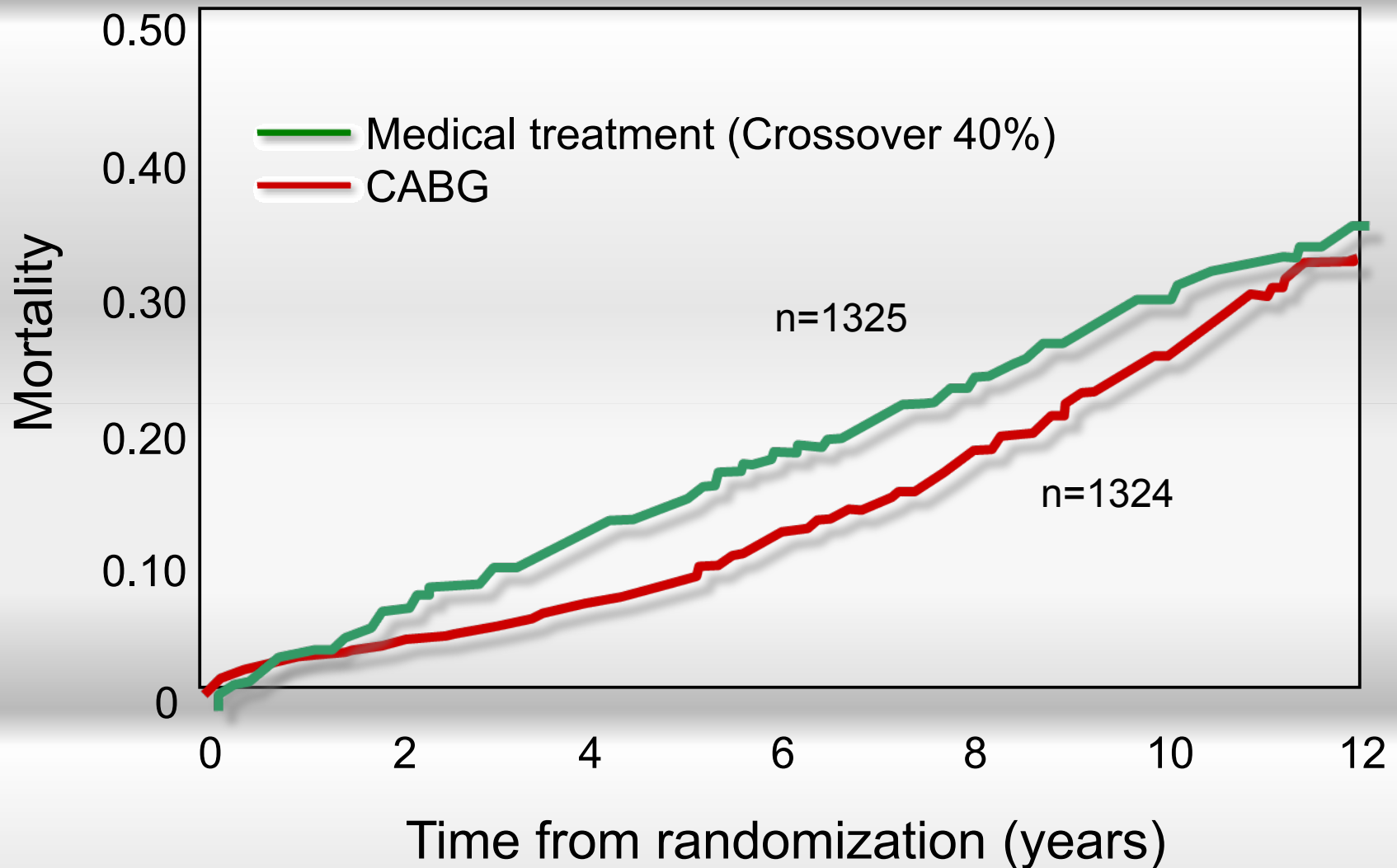
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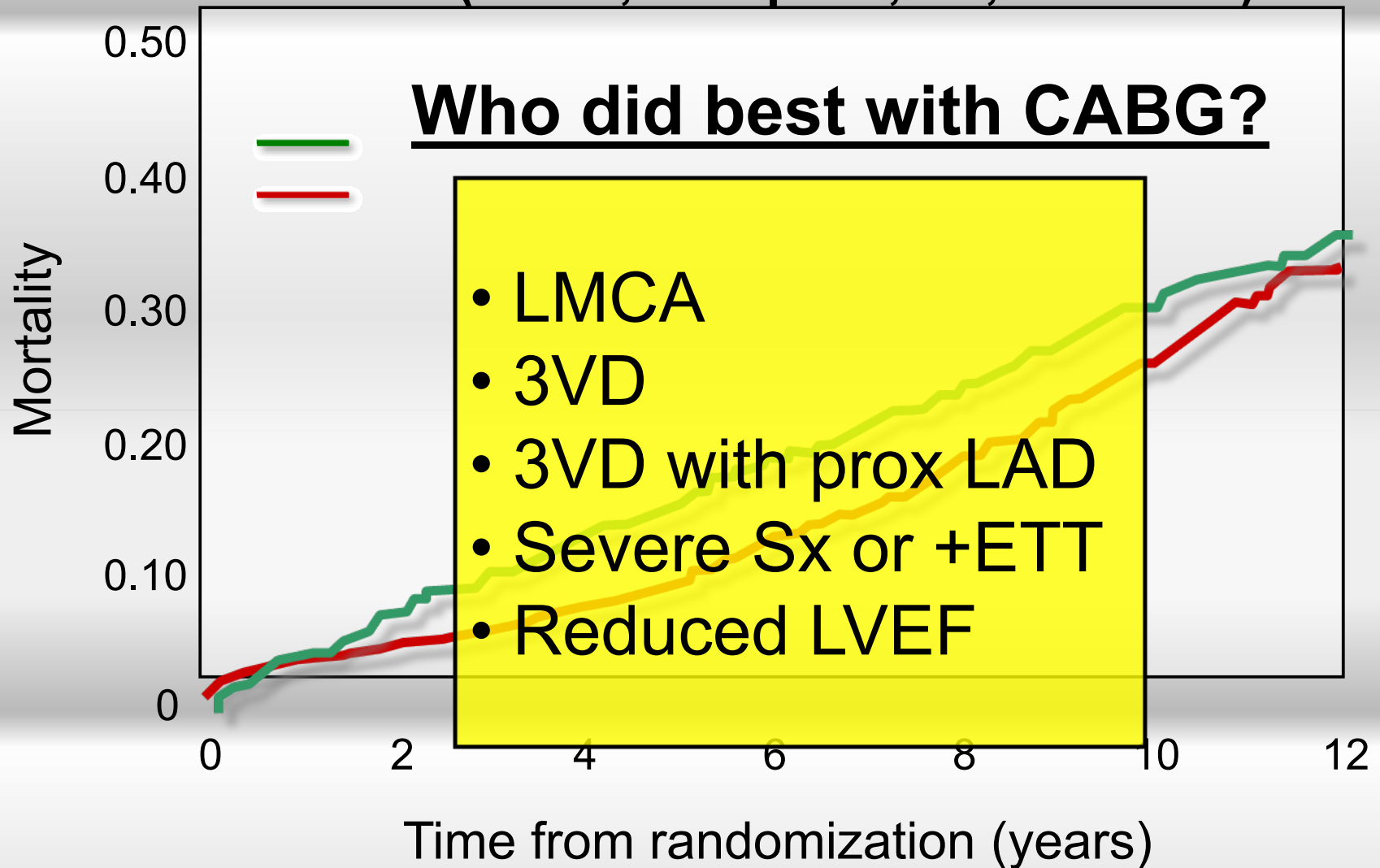
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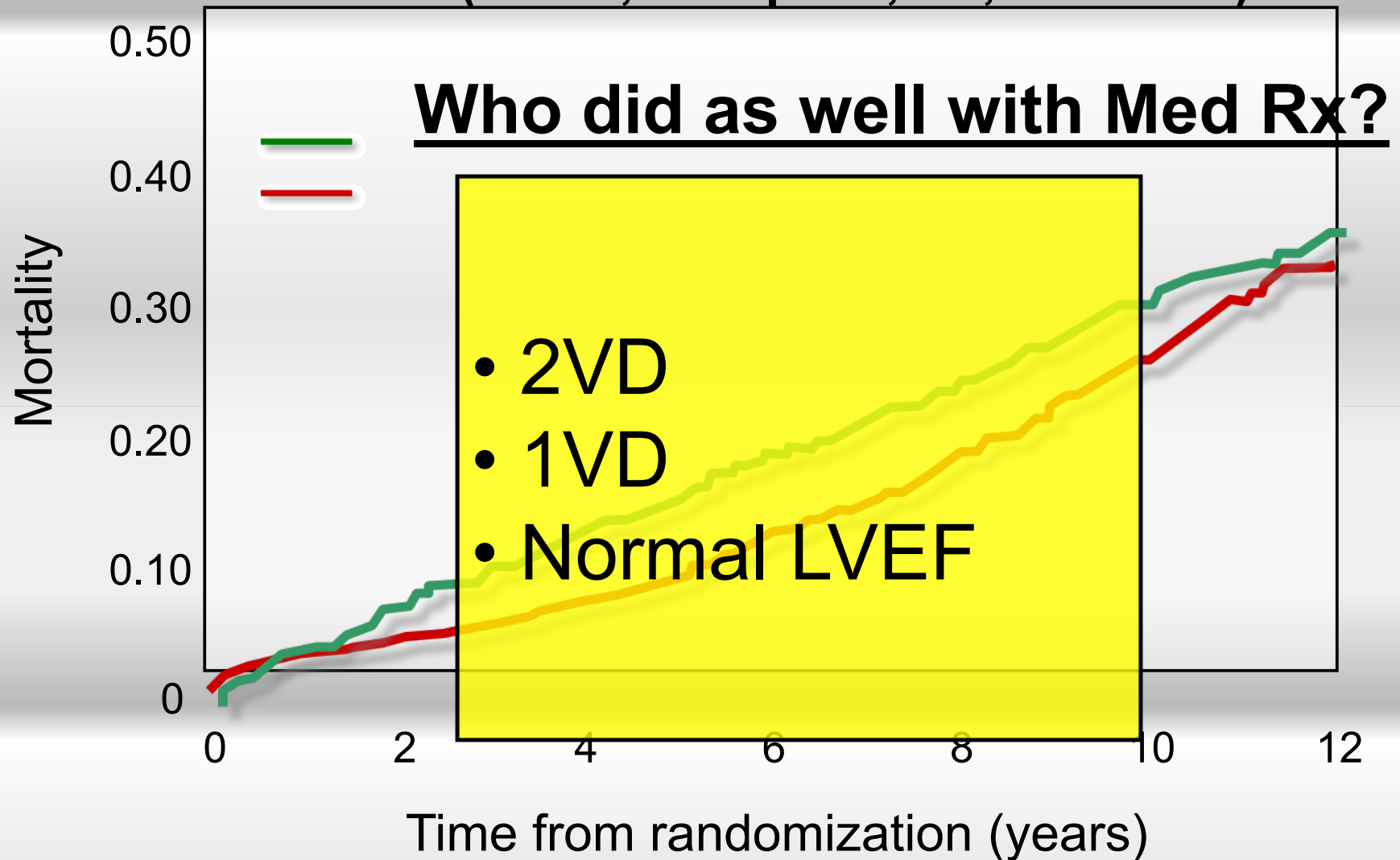


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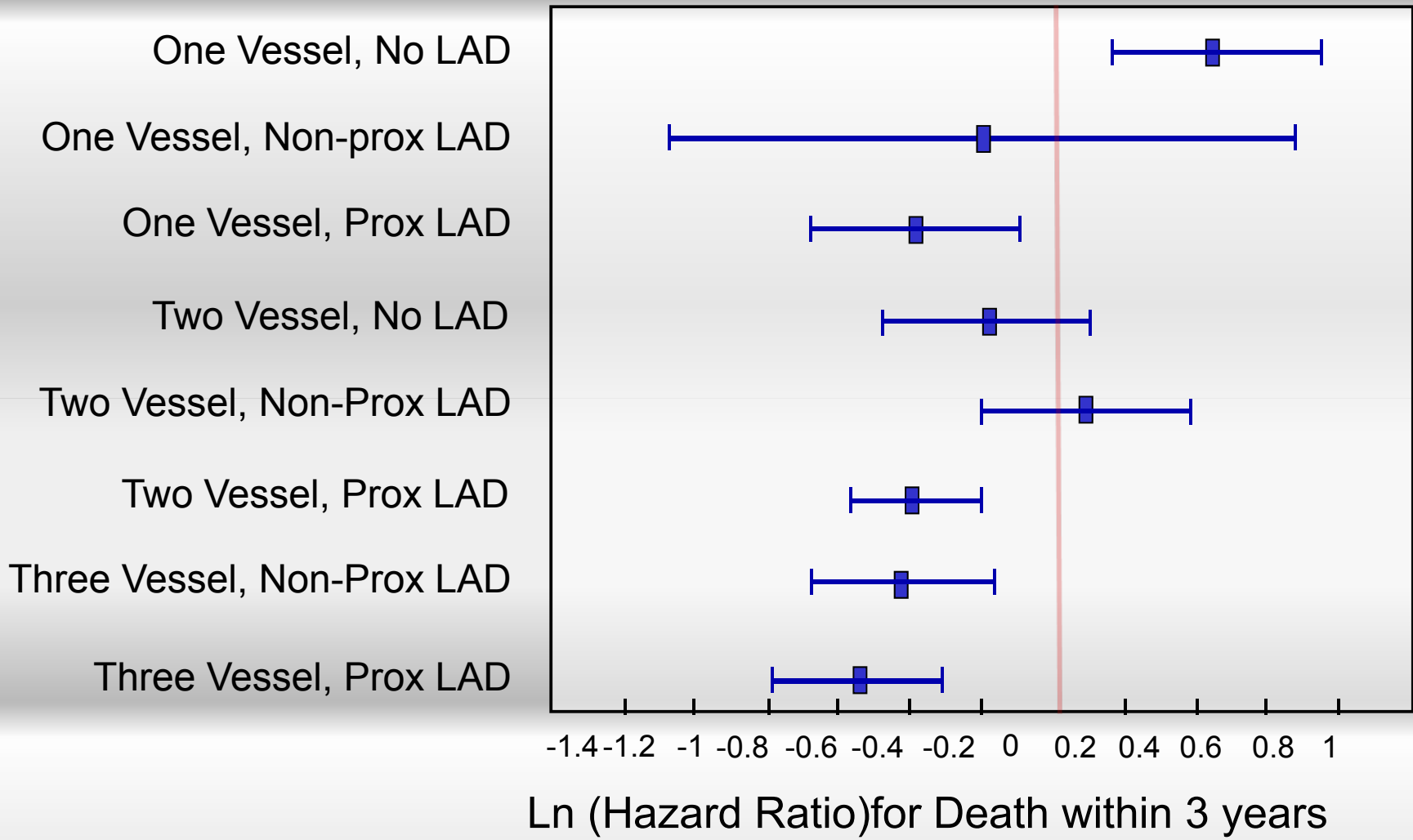
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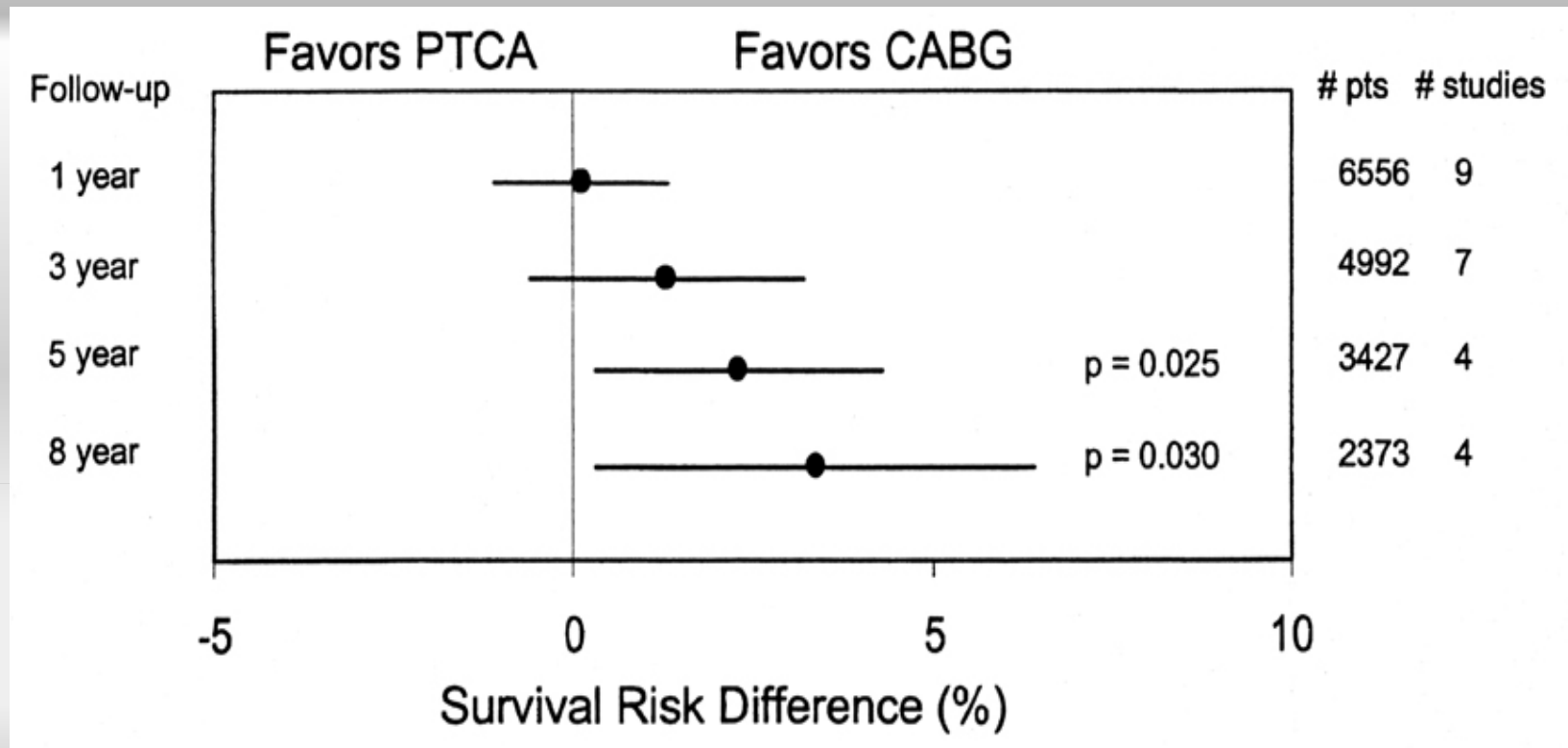
Meta-analysis of RCT's comparing PCI to CABG

CABG Better

PTCA Better



Meta-analysis of PTCA vs CABG: Multivessel Disease



13 randomized trials, 7,964 patients

2/3 2 VD
100% normal LVEF

Risk difference for all-cause mortality for years 1,3,5 and 8 post initial revascularization for multivessel coronary artery disease. The lines represent 95% confidence intervals. Event rates for the coronary bypass arm at 1,3,5 and 8 years were 3.49%, 5.3%, 8.99%, and 15.8%.

CABG vs Stent: New York State Registries

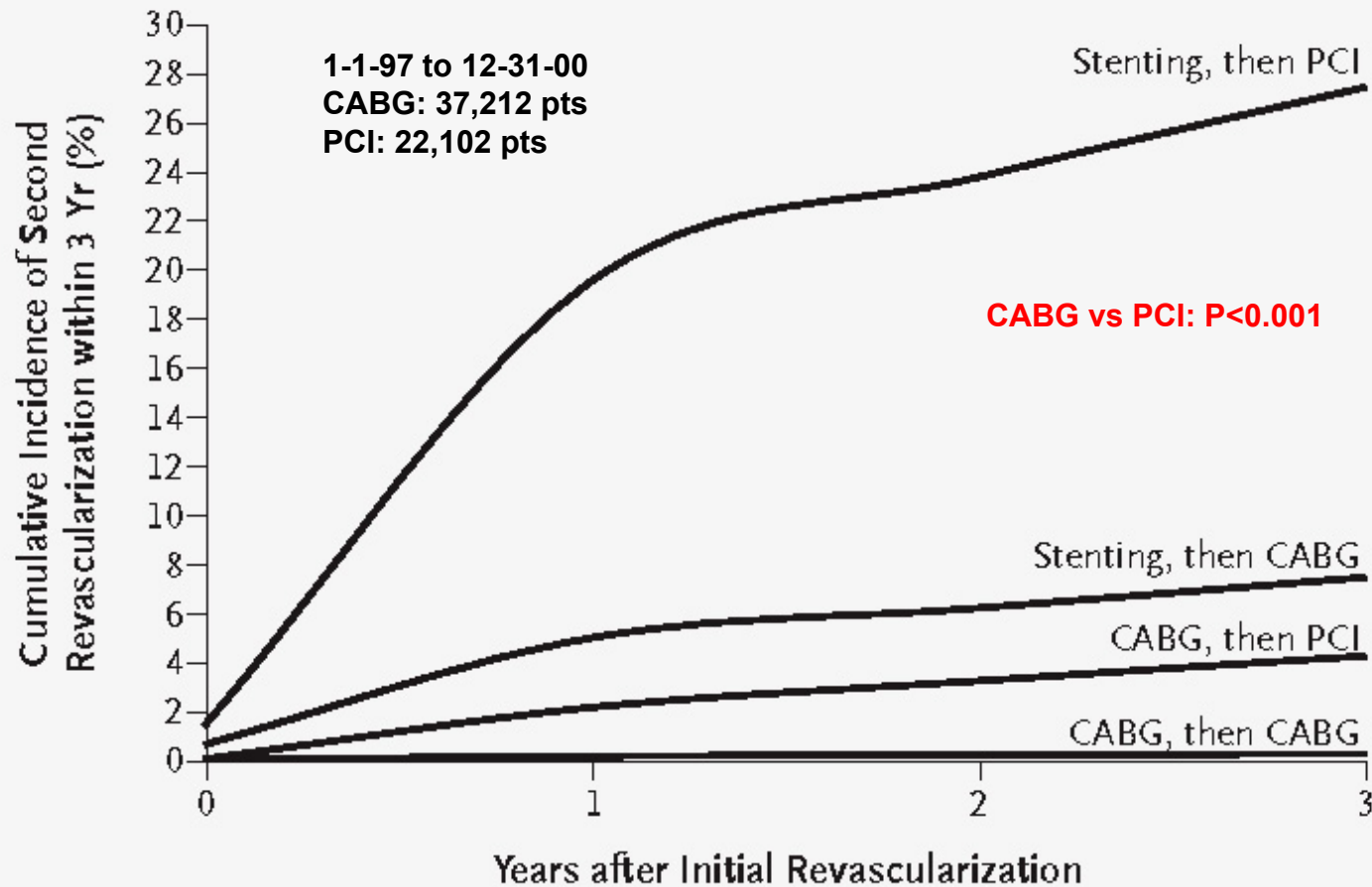
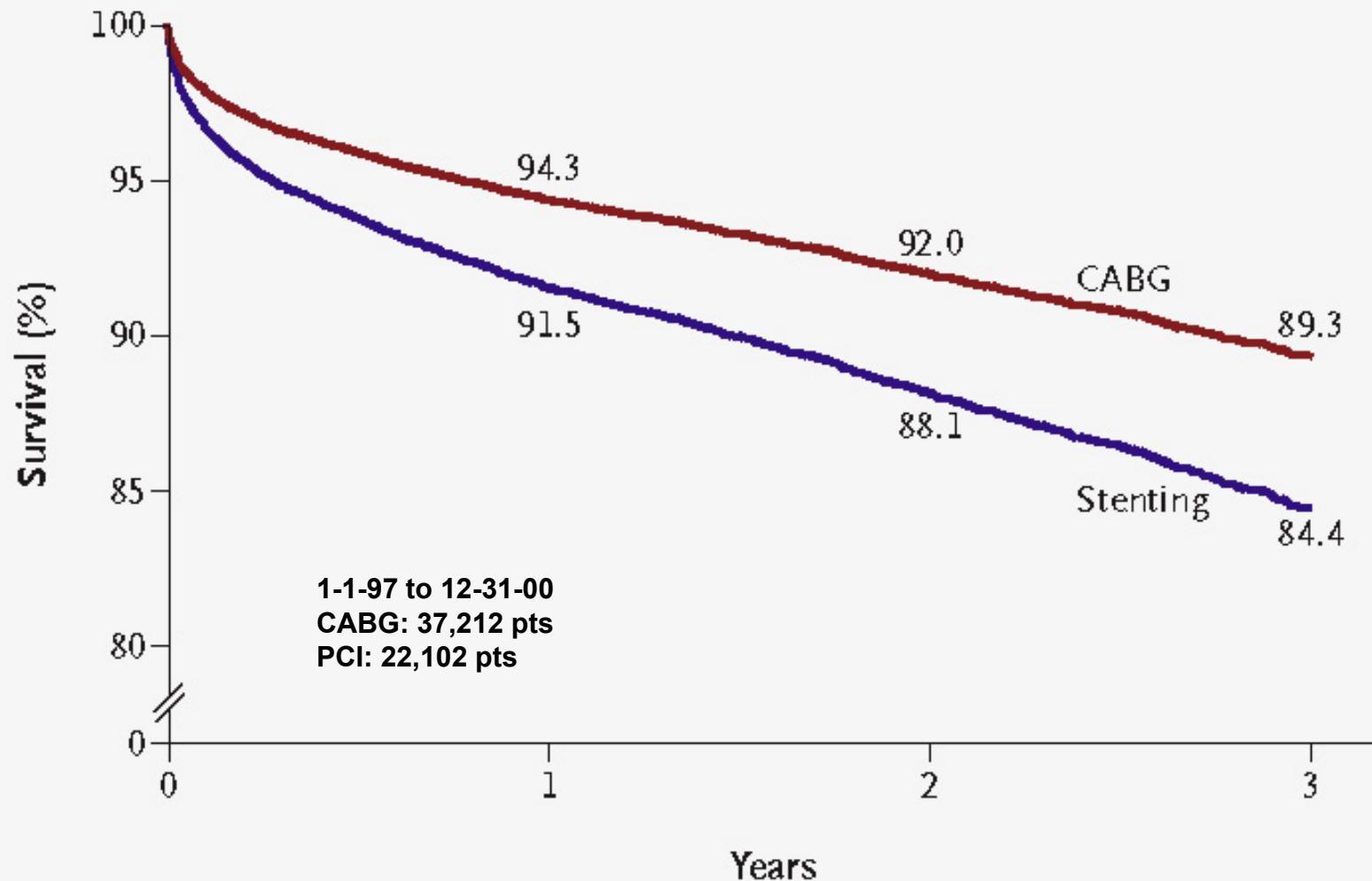


Figure 1. Percentage of Patients Undergoing a Second Revascularization Procedure within Three Years.

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Original Article

Drug-Eluting Stents vs. Coronary-Artery Bypass Grafting in Multivessel Coronary Disease

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≥80 yr	10.2	12.7	
Median age (yr)	67.0	66.0	<0.001
Mean age (yr)	66.0±10.9	65.4±11.9	<0.001
Sex (%)			<0.001
Male	72.5	67.2	
Female	27.5	32.8	
Hispanic ethnic background (%)†	6.9	9.3	<0.001
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Congestive heart failure (%)			<0.001
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Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (%)	17.4	6.6	<0.001
Diabetes (%)	38.2	32.7	<0.001
Renal failure (%)			0.01
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No renal failure	95.8	96.3	
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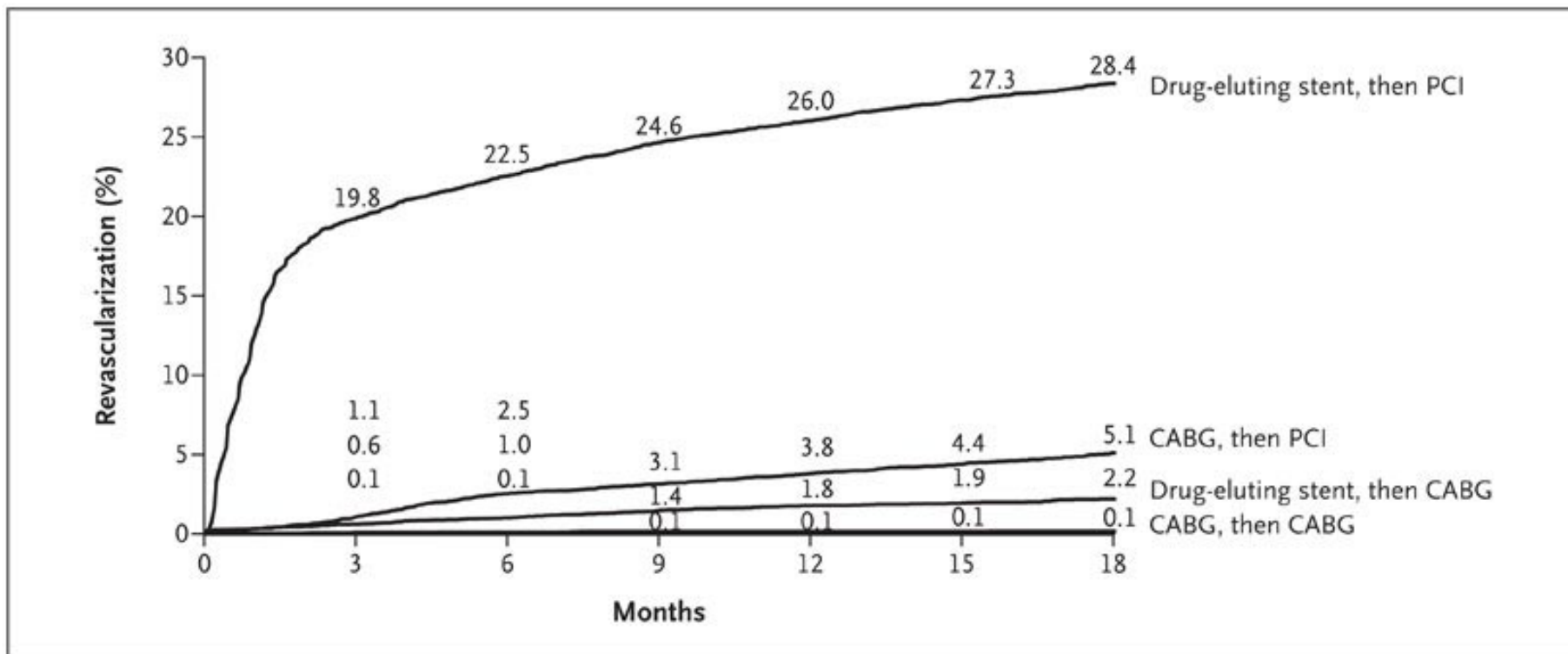
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**CABG patients were:
Older
Had lower EF
And had more:
previous MI
Cerebrovascular disease
Peripheral vascular disease
Instability/shock
CHF
Malignant arrhythmias
COPD
Diabetes
Renal failure
Number of diseased vessels**



Revascularization within 18 Months after Initial Procedure

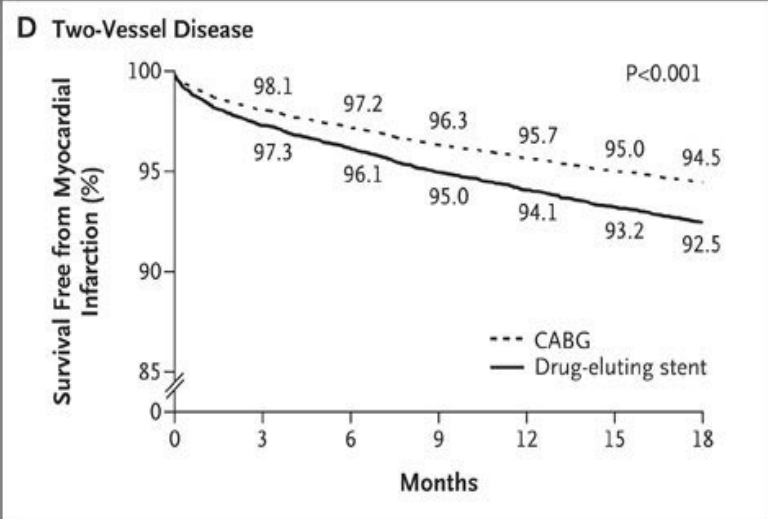
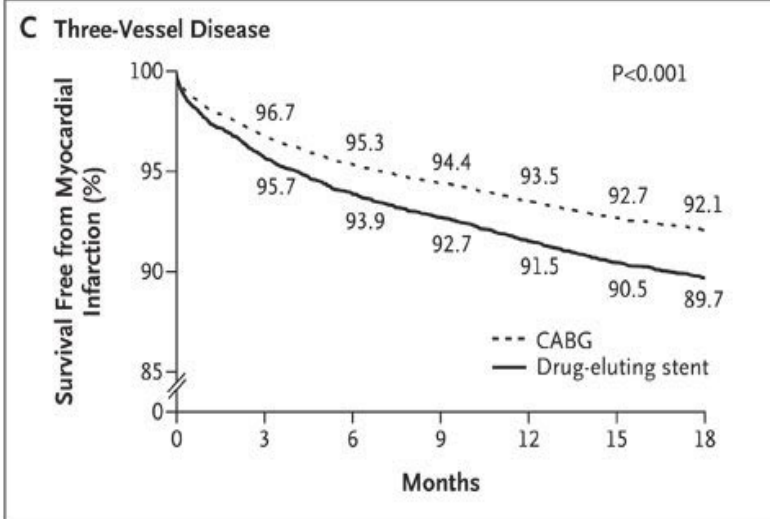
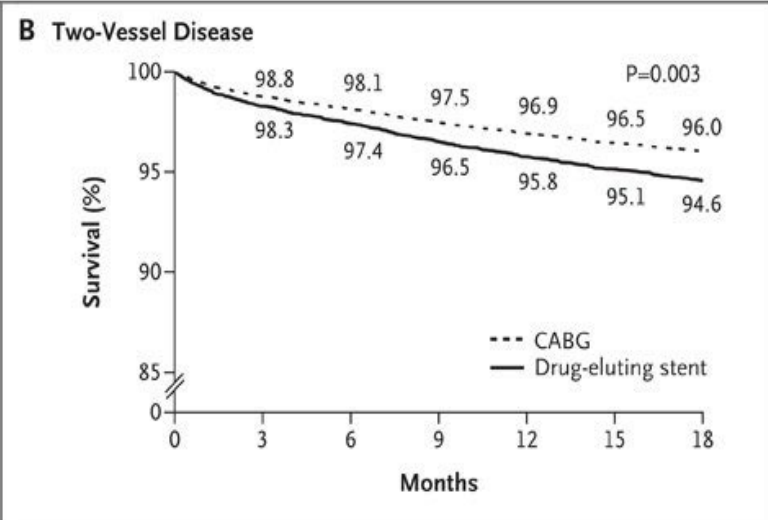
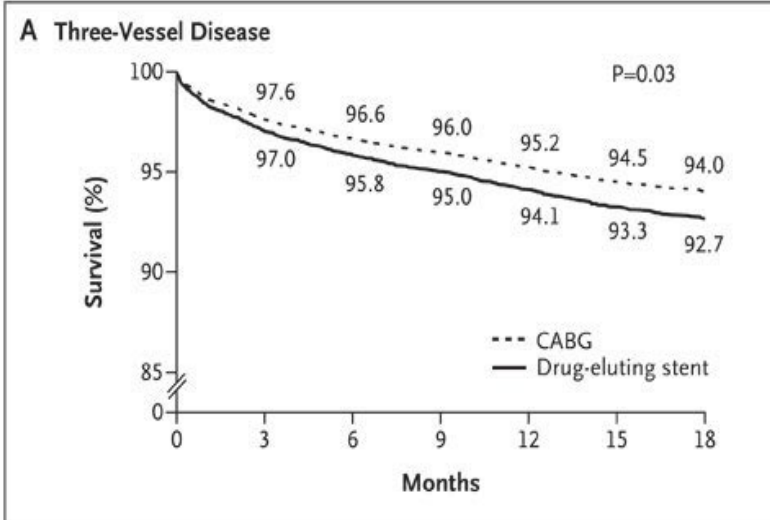


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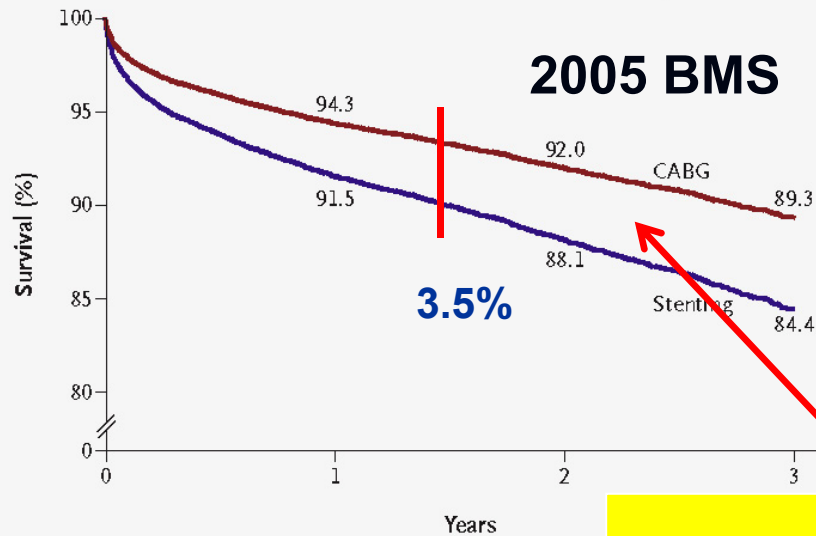
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CABG vs DES PCI: 2VD and 3VD, Adjusted Survival Curves

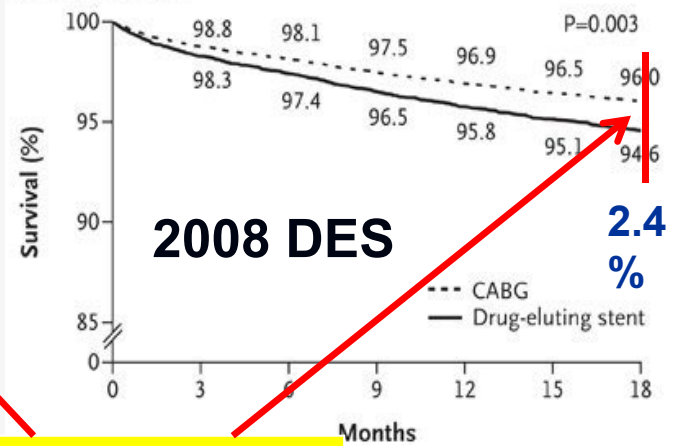


CABG vs PCI: BMS vs DES at 18 months, Adjusted Survival Curves

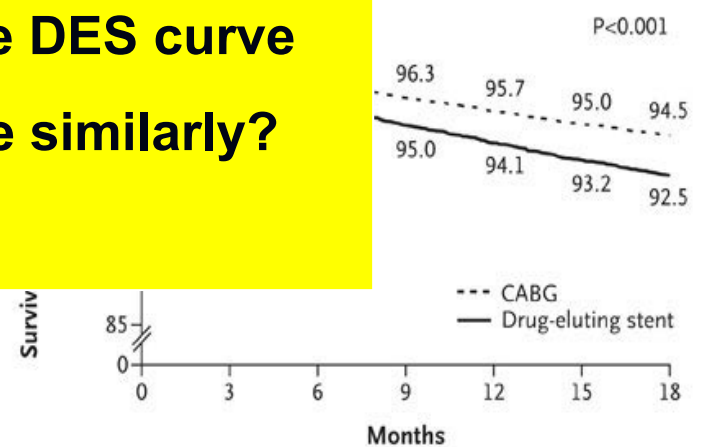
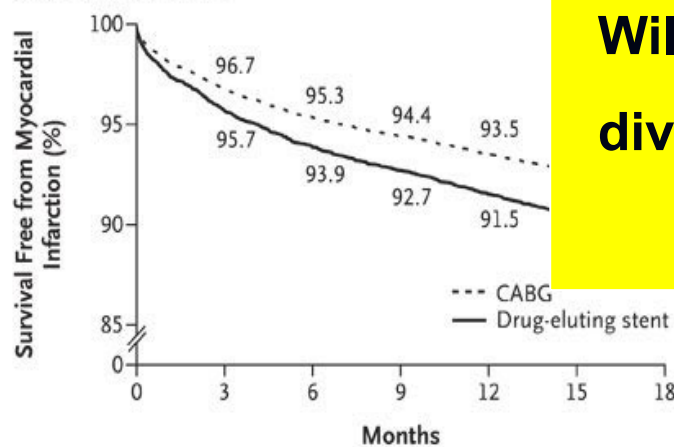
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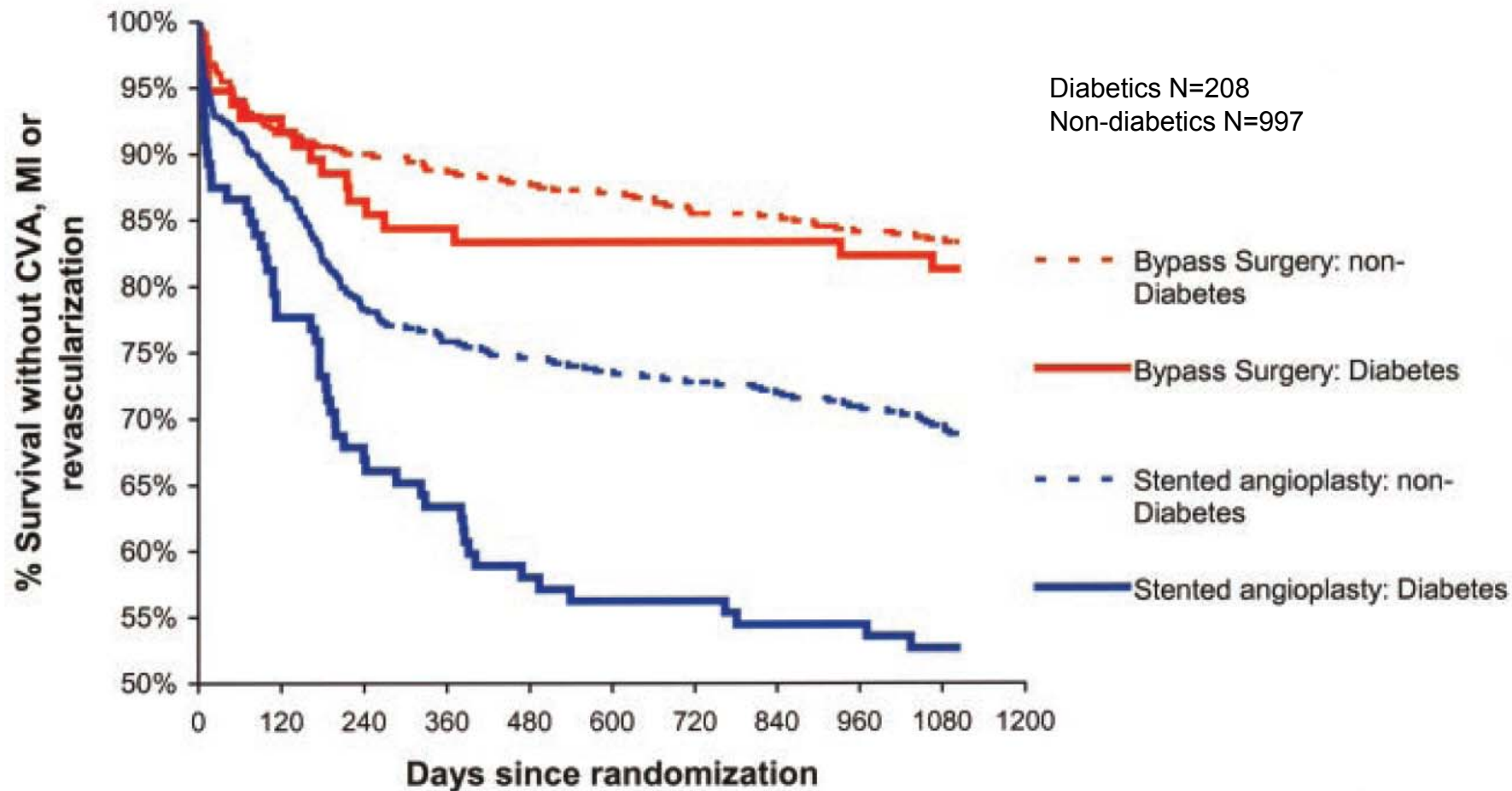
Will the DES curve diverge similarly?

Editorial Comment*

- Suggestion of decreased TLR/TVR with DES
- Unmeasured confounders (dementia?)
- Enrollment prior to widespread use of extended dual antiplatelet Rx for DES
- F/U too short to see vein graft failures
- But... "CABG remains the standard of care" for multivessel CAD

*Carozza, N Engl J Med 2008;358:405-7

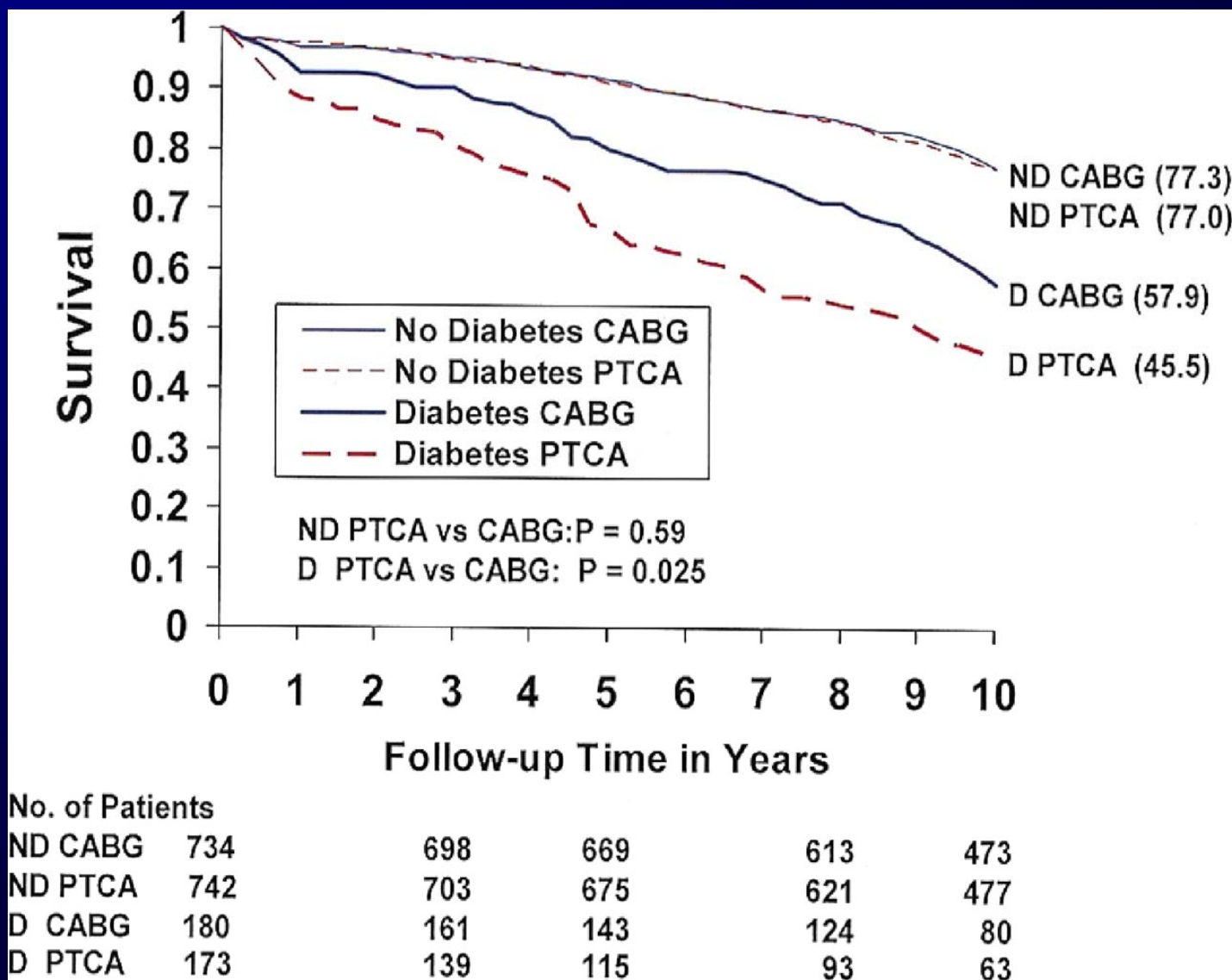
ARTS: 3-year Event-free Survival



Repeat revascularization rate at 3y: **26.7%** (PCI) vs **6.6%** (CABG)



BARI Randomized Trial 10-Year Survival Stratified by Diabetes Status





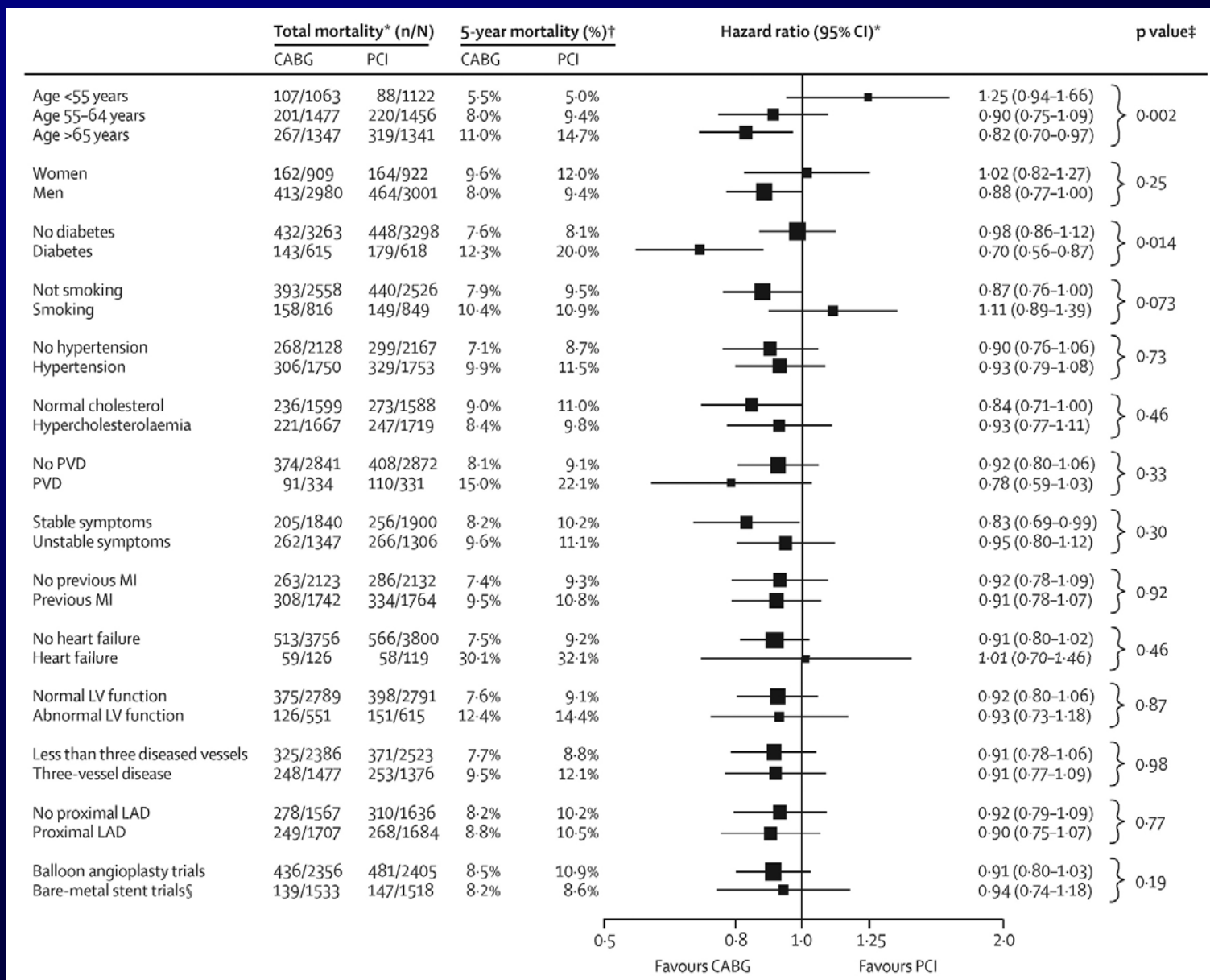
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	Overall (N=7812)	ARTS ¹ (N=1205)	BARI ² (N=1829)	CABRI ³ (N=1054)	EAST ⁴ (N=392)	ERACI-II ⁵ (N=450)	GABI ⁶ (N=323)	MASS-II ⁷ (N=408)	RITA-1 ⁸ (N=1011)	SoS ⁹ (N=988)	Toulouse ¹⁰ (N=152)
Age											
<55 years	2185 (28%)	332 (28%)	442 (24%)	286 (27%)	94 (24%)	124 (28%)	107 (33%)	131 (32%)	403 (40%)	253 (26%)	13 (9%)
55-64 years	2933 (38%)	420 (35%)	678 (37%)	443 (42%)	143 (36%)	163 (36%)	130 (40%)	135 (33%)	442 (44%)	340 (34%)	39 (26%)
≥65 years	2688 (34%)	453 (38%)	709 (39%)	320 (31%)	155 (40%)	162 (36%)	86 (27%)	142 (35%)	166 (16%)	395 (40%)	100 (66%)
Female	1831 (23%)	283 (23%)	489 (27%)	234 (22%)	103 (26%)	93 (21%)	67 (21%)	125 (31%)	196 (19%)	206 (21%)	35 (23%)
Diabetes	1233 (16%)	208 (17%)	353 (19%)	124 (12%)	90 (23%)	78 (17%)	41 (13%)	115 (28%)	62 (6%)	142 (14%)	20 (13%)
Current smoker	1665 (25%)	323 (27%)	463 (25%)	NA	79 (20%)	233 (52%)	36 (11%)	134 (33%)	169 (17%)	149 (15%)	79 (52%)
Hypertension	3503 (45%)	540 (45%)	896 (49%)	378 (36%)	206 (53%)	318 (71%)	136 (42%)	253 (62%)	265 (26%)	447 (45%)	64 (42%)
Hypercholesterolaemia	3386 (52%)	694 (58%)	725 (44%)	460 (44%)	146 (40%)	275 (61%)	201 (63%)	322 (79%)	NA	509 (52%)	54 (36%)
Peripheral vascular disease	665 (10%)	64 (5%)	303 (17%)	72 (7%)	NA	103 (23%)	26 (8%)	0 (0%)	NA	66 (7%)	31 (20%)
Unstable symptoms	2653 (41%)	451 (37%)	1250 (68%)	166 (16%)	NA	412 (92%)	41 (13%)	0 (0%)	NA	202 (20%)	131 (86%)
Previous myocardial infarction	3506 (45%)	520 (43%)	987 (55%)	439 (43%)	160 (41%)	126 (28%)	150 (47%)	191 (47%)	428 (43%)	448 (45%)	57 (38%)
Heart failure	245 (3%)	0 (0%)	161 (9%)	0 (0%)	13 (3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	62 (6%)	9 (6%)
Abnormal left ventricular function	1166 (17%)	189 (17%)	341 (19%)	138 (15%)	63 (16%)	88 (20%)	25 (13%)	13 (3%)	142 (26%)	153 (20%)	14 (9%)
Three-vessel disease	2853 (37%)	338 (29%)	754 (41%)	449 (43%)	156 (40%)	219 (49%)	119 (38%)	230 (56%)	125 (12%)	419 (42%)	44 (29%)
Proximal LAD disease	3391 (51%)	NA	668 (37%)	638 (61%)	283 (72%)	230 (51%)	92 (28%)	389 (95%)	567 (56%)	457 (46%)	67 (44%)
Follow-up (years)	5.9 (5.0-10.0)	5.1 (5.0-5.3)	10.4 (10.0-11.0)	3.0 (2.4-3.7)	8.2 (8.2-8.2)	5.0 (5.0-5.0)	13.0 (12.1-14.5)	5.1 (5.1-5.2)	10.0 (10.0-10.0)	6.0 (5.5-6.7)	4.9 (4.0-5.7)
Stent use in PCI*	1432 (37%)	580 (98%)	9 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	221 (100%)	0 (0%)	157 (82%)	0 (0%)	465 (97%)	0 (0%)
IMA use in CABG†	2573 (83%)	539 (93%)	729 (82%)	NA	NA	198 (96%)	62 (39%)	188 (95%)	364 (74%)	451 (93%)	42 (55%)

Hlatky et al. Lancet 2009;373:1190-1197

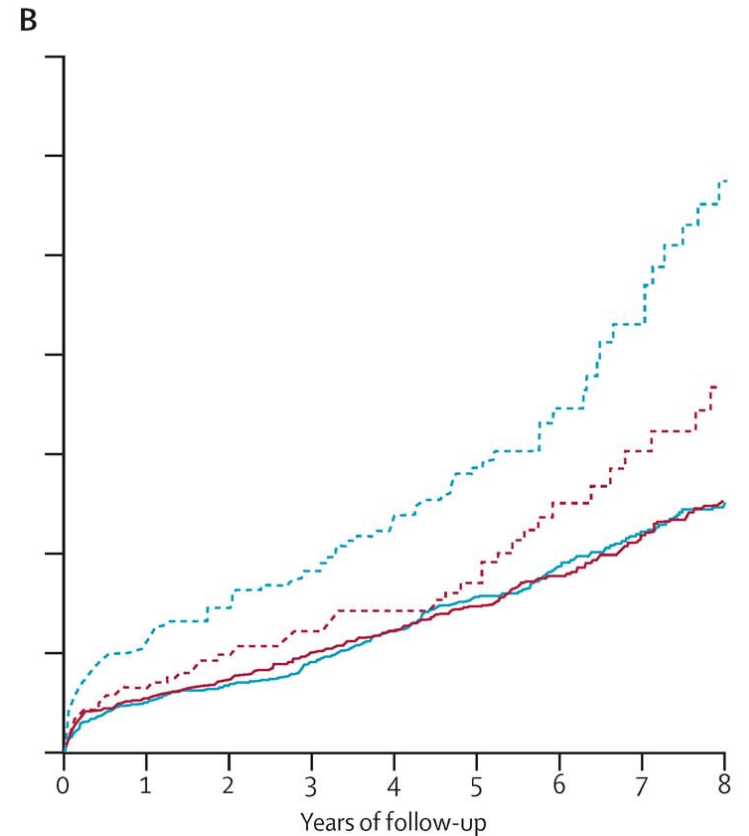
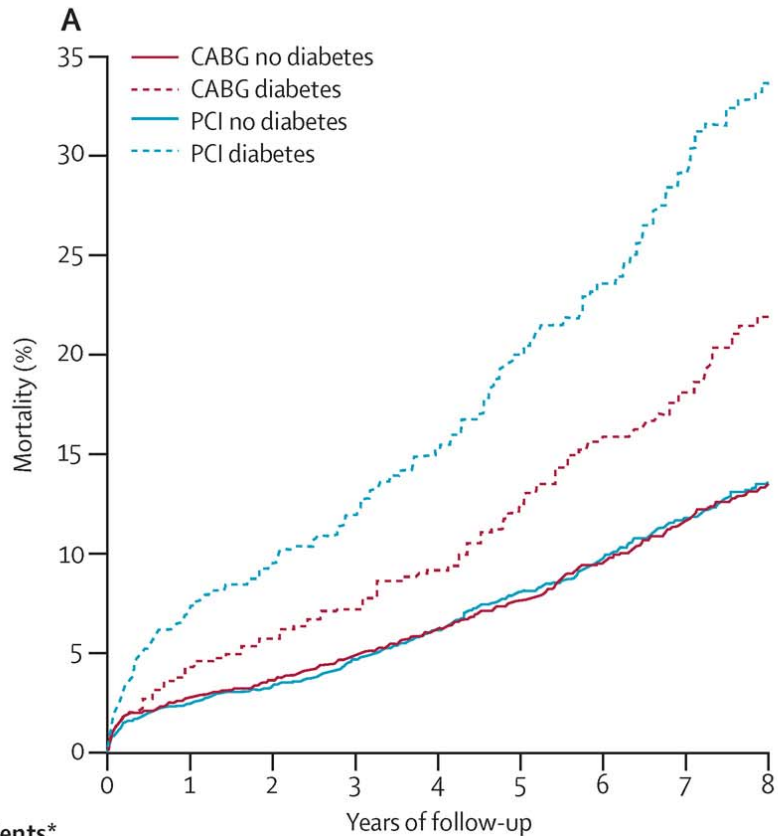


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Number of patients*

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
CABG no diabetes	3263	3169	3089	2877	2677	2267	1592	1380	1274
CABG diabetes	615	587	575	532	498	421	257	225	200
PCI no diabetes	3298	3217	3148	2918	2725	2281	1608	1393	1288
PCI diabetes	618	574	555	508	475	373	218	179	160

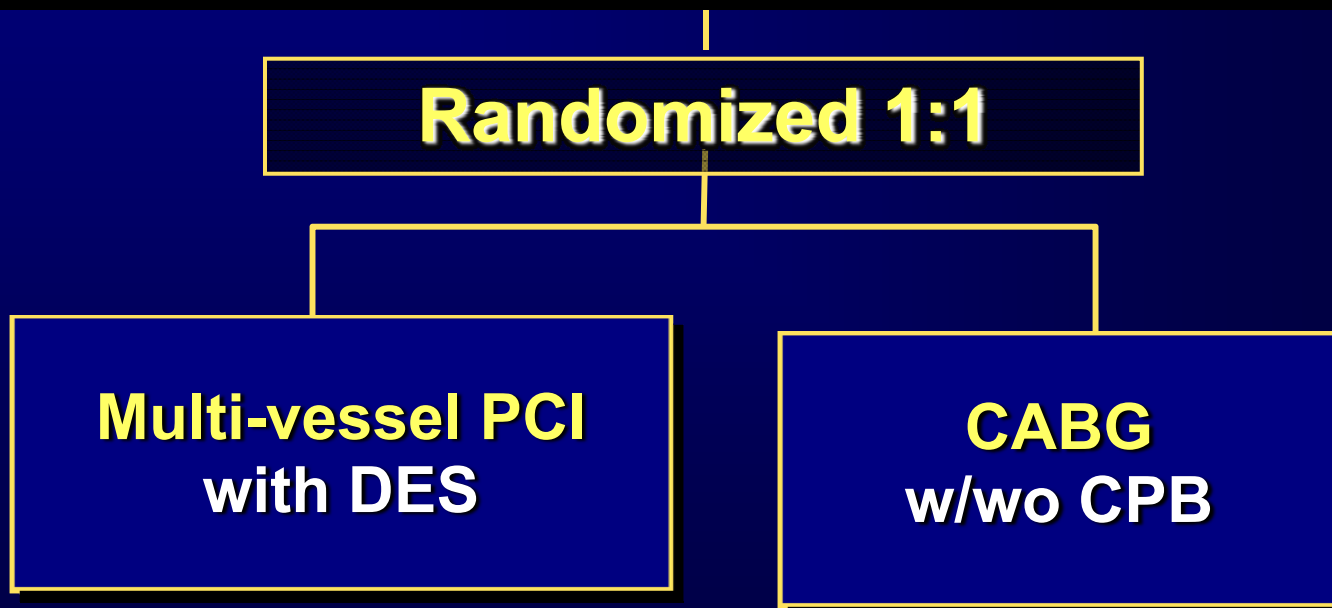
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CABG diabetes	435	420	410	371	344	278	120	91	73
PCI no diabetes	2556	2493	2432	2215	2031	1606	946	750	655
PCI diabetes	445	421	408	369	344	258	110	81	66



FREEDOM Design (1)

Eligibility: DM patients with MV-CAD eligible for stent or surgery

Exclude: Patients with acute STEMI



Largest RCT of PCI vs CABG in diabetics
Intensive, state-of-the-art medical treatment



FREEDOM Trial Design (2)

Design: Superiority trial over 7 yrs

Minimum 2 yrs

Median 3.8 yrs

Sample Size: N= 1900, 131 Centers

953 PCI / DES

947 CABG

Primary Outcome: Composite of earliest occurring:

All cause mortality

Non-fatal MI

Non-fatal Stroke



FREEDOM Trial Design (3)

Secondary Outcomes

MACCE: Death, MI, Stroke, Repeat Revasc at 30 d and 1 Year

Survival: at 1,2,3 Years

Cost-Effectiveness: Quality of Life at 30 d, 6 Mos, 1, 2 & 3 yrs



FREEDOM: Inclusion Criteria

- **Diabetes Mellitus (Type 1 or Type 2):** Based on the American Diabetes Association.
 - **Angiographically:** $\geq 70\%$ stenosis in at least two major epicardial vessels
 - **Indication for revascularization:** Angina and/or objective evidence of myocardial ischemia
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FREEDOM – Exclusion Criteria

- Severe CHF (class III or IV)
 - Simultaneous surgical procedure
 - Prior CABG or PCI with stent within 6 months
 - Prior Cardiac Valve Surgery
 - **LMCA stenosis, or 2+ CTO's in major territories**
 - **Acute ST-elevation MI (Q-wave) within 72 hours**
 - CK > 2x normal and/or abnormal CK-MB levels
 - Stroke within 6 mo. or > 6 mo. with residual deficit
 - Concurrent enrollment in another clinical trial
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Pre - Randomization

- All qualifying angiograms reviewed by a participating interventionalist and surgeon
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Diabetes & Medical Management

- Target Hemoglobin A1C: **< 7.0%**
 - Therapy managed by **MD/Diabetologist**
 - Recommended **ACCORD** Protocol

 - Target LDL- C: **< 70 mg/dL**

 - Target BP: **< 130/80 mm Hg**
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CABG Management

- **IMA to the LAD strongly recommended in all patients**
 - **On-pump vs OPCAB left to individual surgeon judgement**
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Interventional – Pre-Stent Process

- Prior to PCI:** Clinical suitability of each lesion
Certified operator
PCI within 14 days of randomization
- DES:** For all lesions, only one DES type per patient
- Antithr:** Oral ASA 325 mg + Clopid. \geq 300 mg load ,
Unfractionated Heparin or Bivalirudin,
Abciximab at initial PCI

ASA 81-100 mg + Clopid. 75 mg/day 1-yr



TRIAL SCREENING & ENROLLMENT

32,966 Patients were screened for eligibility

3,309 were eligible (10%)

1,409 did not consent

1,900 consented (57%)

953 Randomized to PCI/DES*

5 underwent CABG
3 withdrew prior to procedure
3 died prior to procedure
3 underwent neither PCI/DES or CABG

16 withdrew post-procedure
43 were lost to follow-up

947 Randomized to CABG

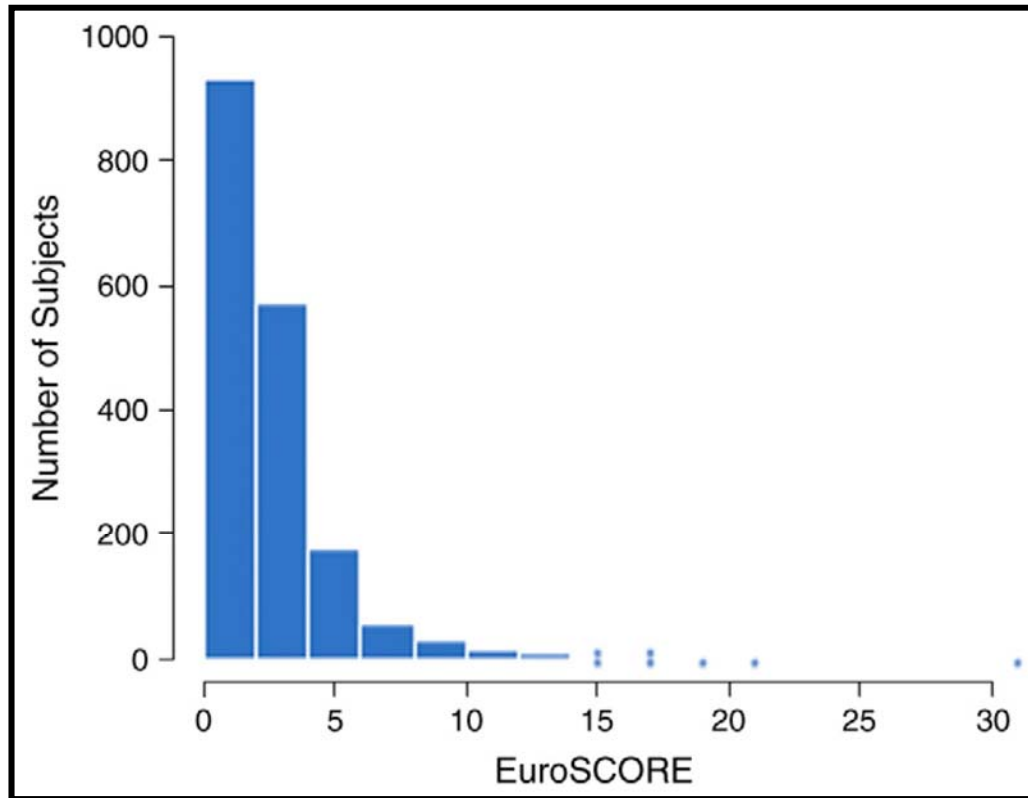
18 underwent PCI/DES
26 withdrew prior to procedure
3 died prior to procedure
7 underwent neither PCI/DES or CABG

36 withdrew post-procedure
51 were lost to follow-up

***953 and 947 included in ITT analysis using all available follow-up time post-randomization**

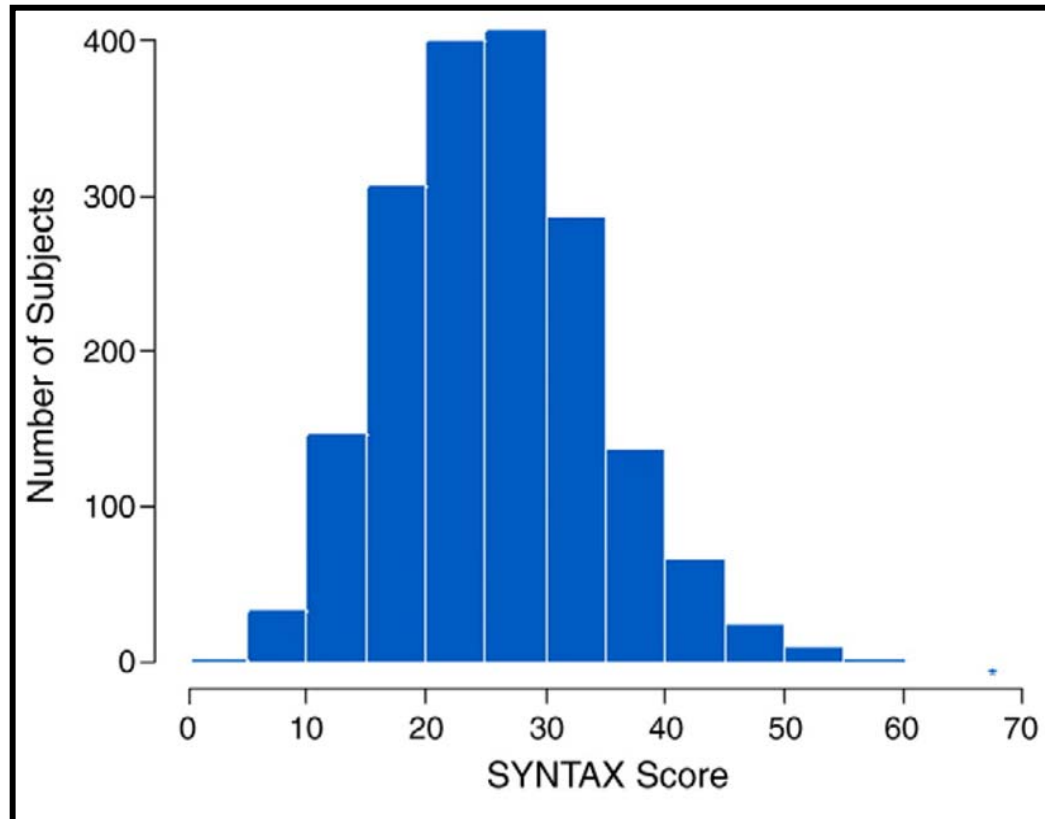
FREEDOM Trial Clinical Characteristics

EuroSCORE

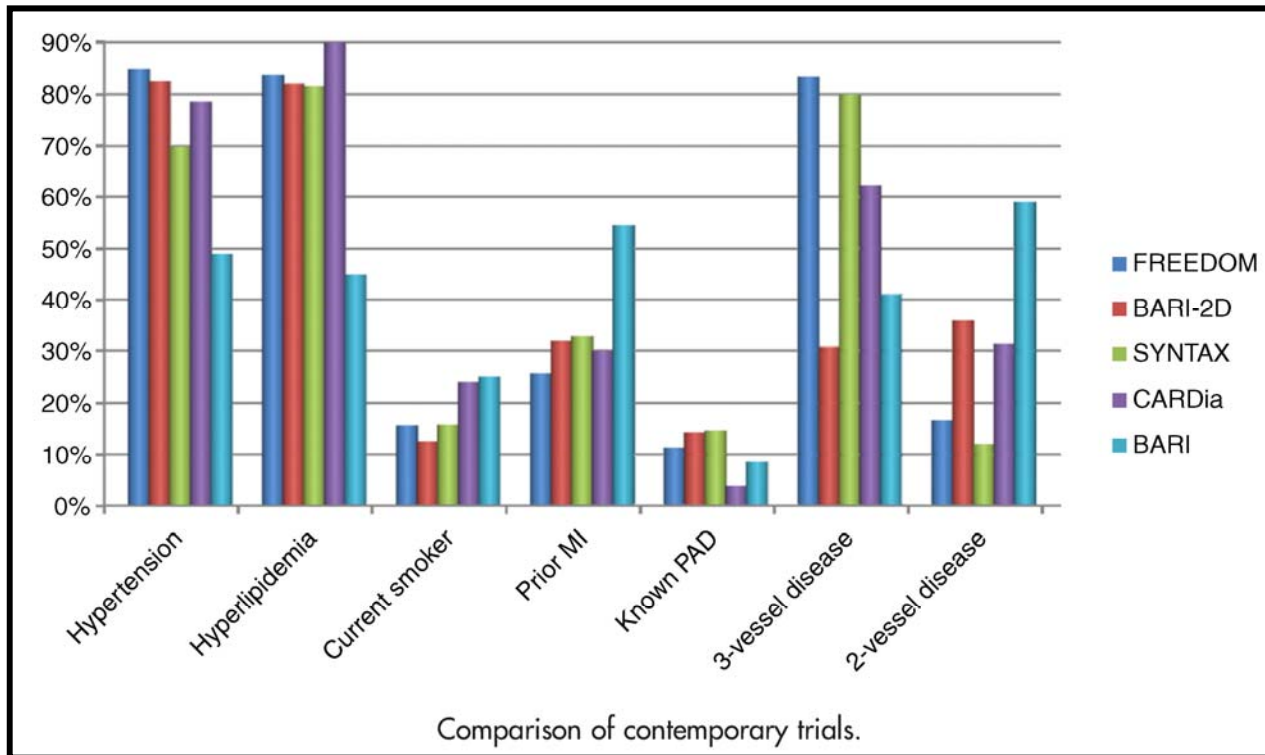


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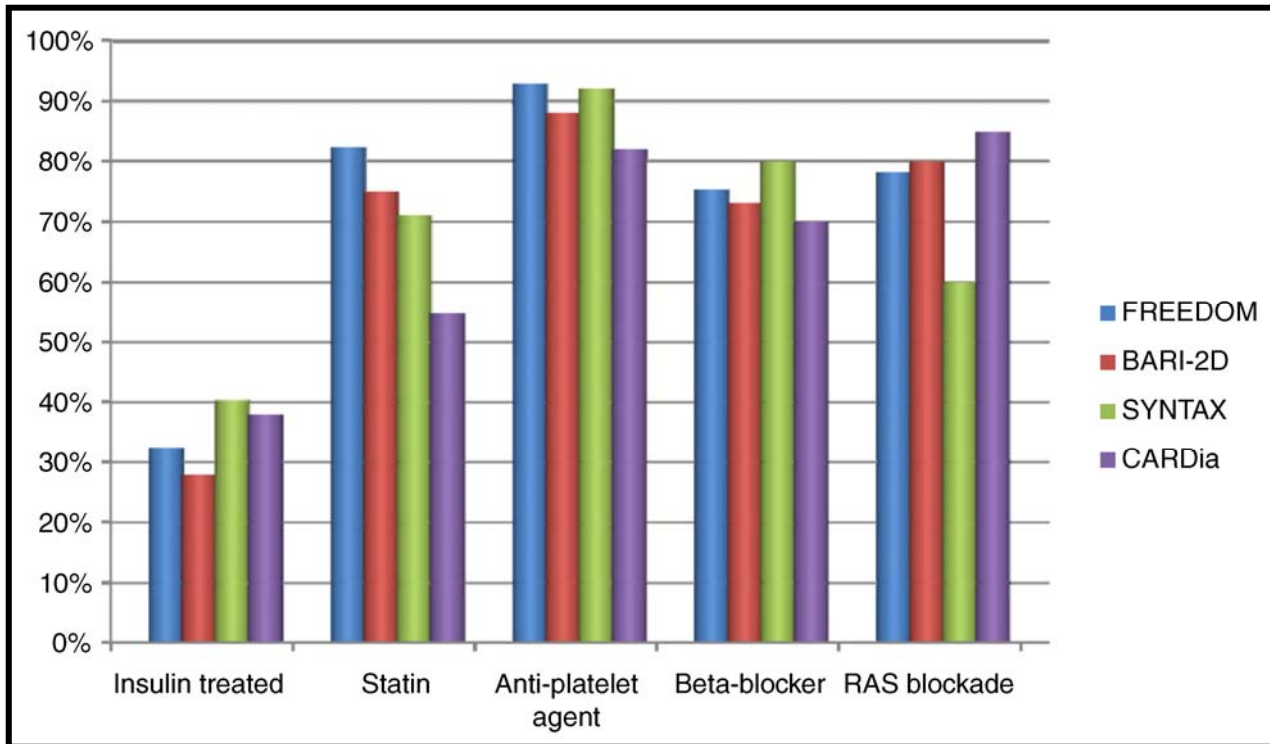
SYNTAX Score



FREEDOM Trial Clinical Characteristics Comparison to Similar Trials

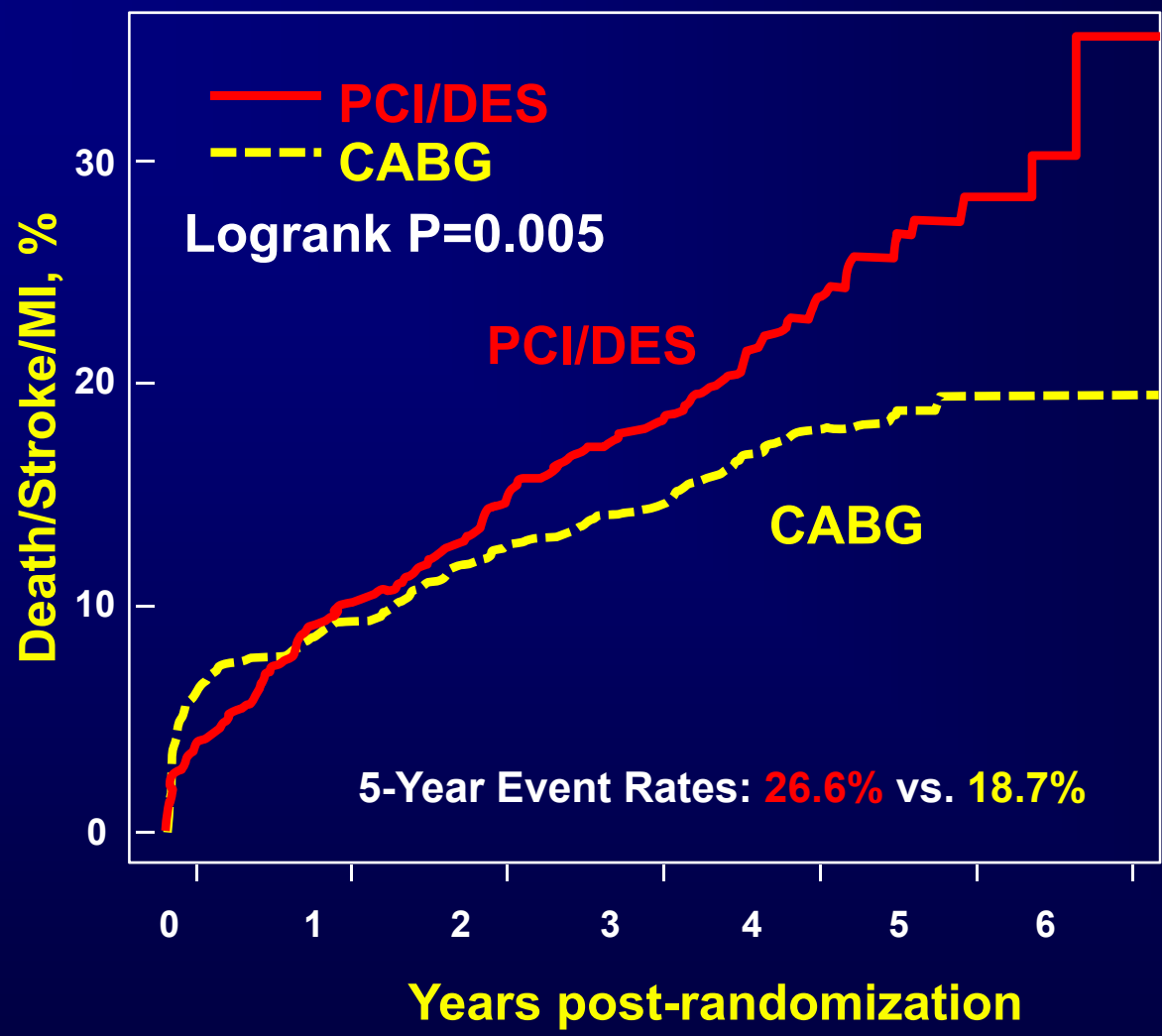


FREEDOM Trial Clinical Characteristics Comparison to Similar Trials





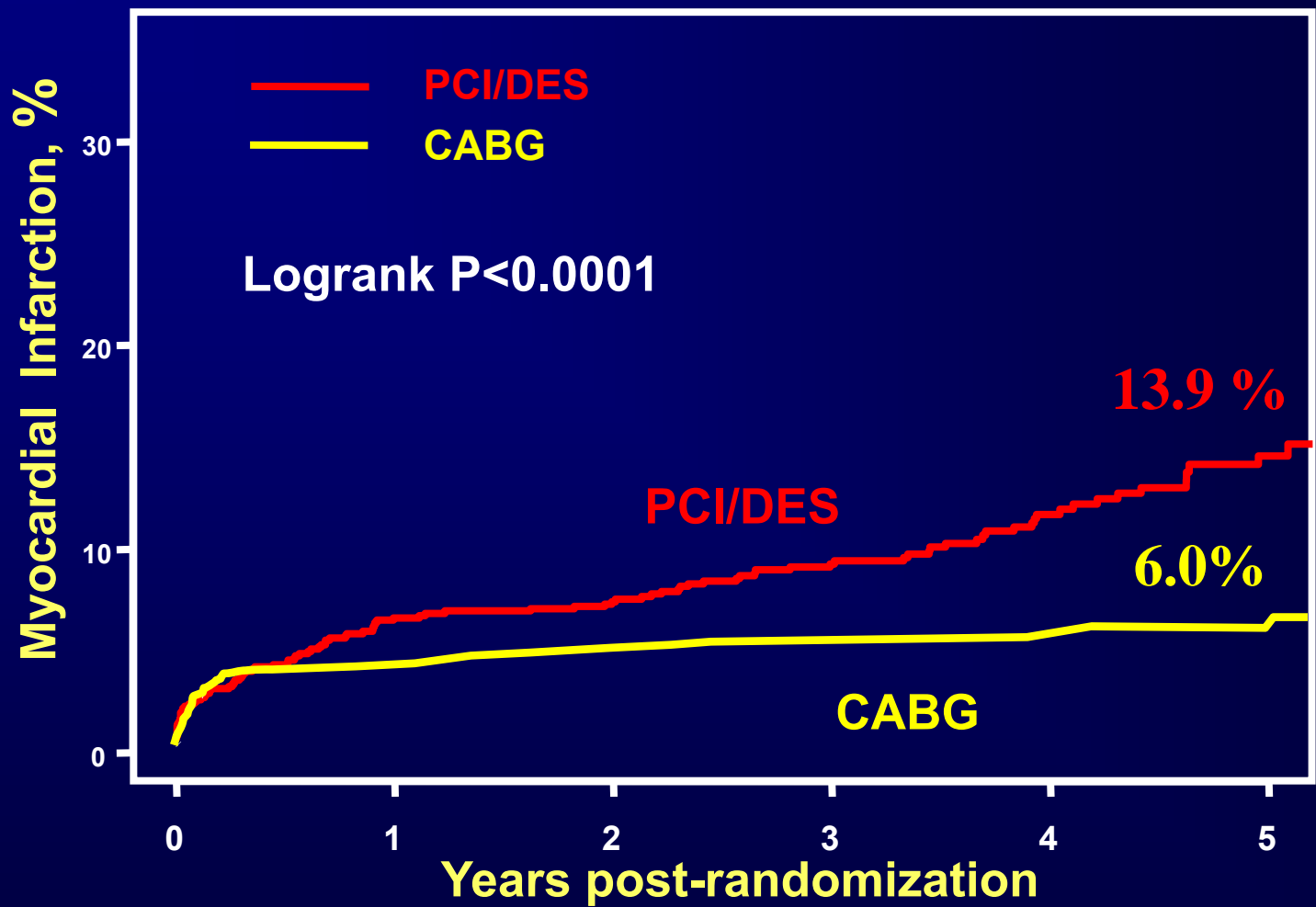
PRIMARY OUTCOME – DEATH / STROKE / MI



PCI/DES N	953	848	788	625	416	219	40
CABG N	943	814	758	613	422	221	44



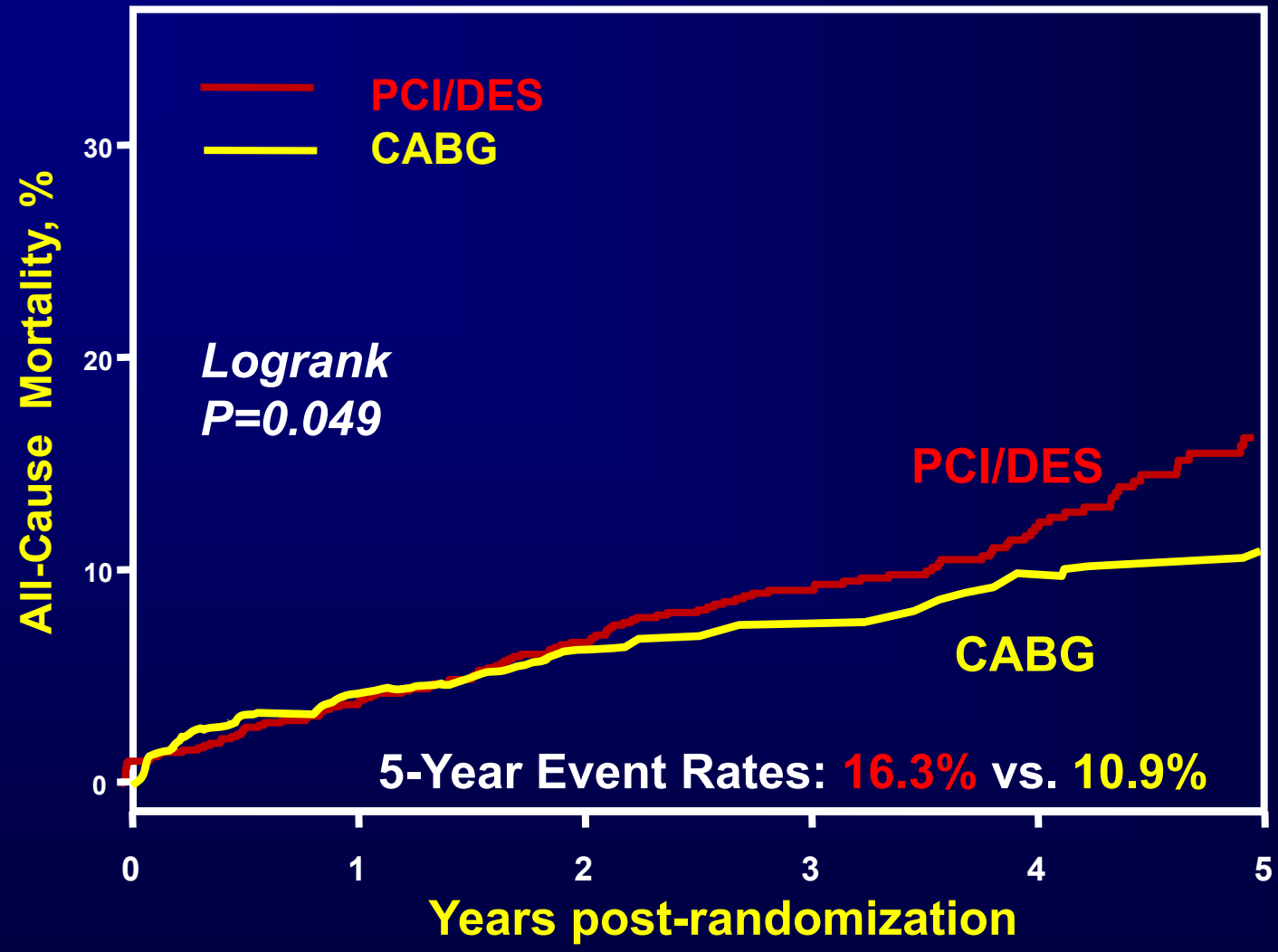
MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION



PCI/DES N 953	853	798	636	422	220
CABG N 947	824	772	629	432	229



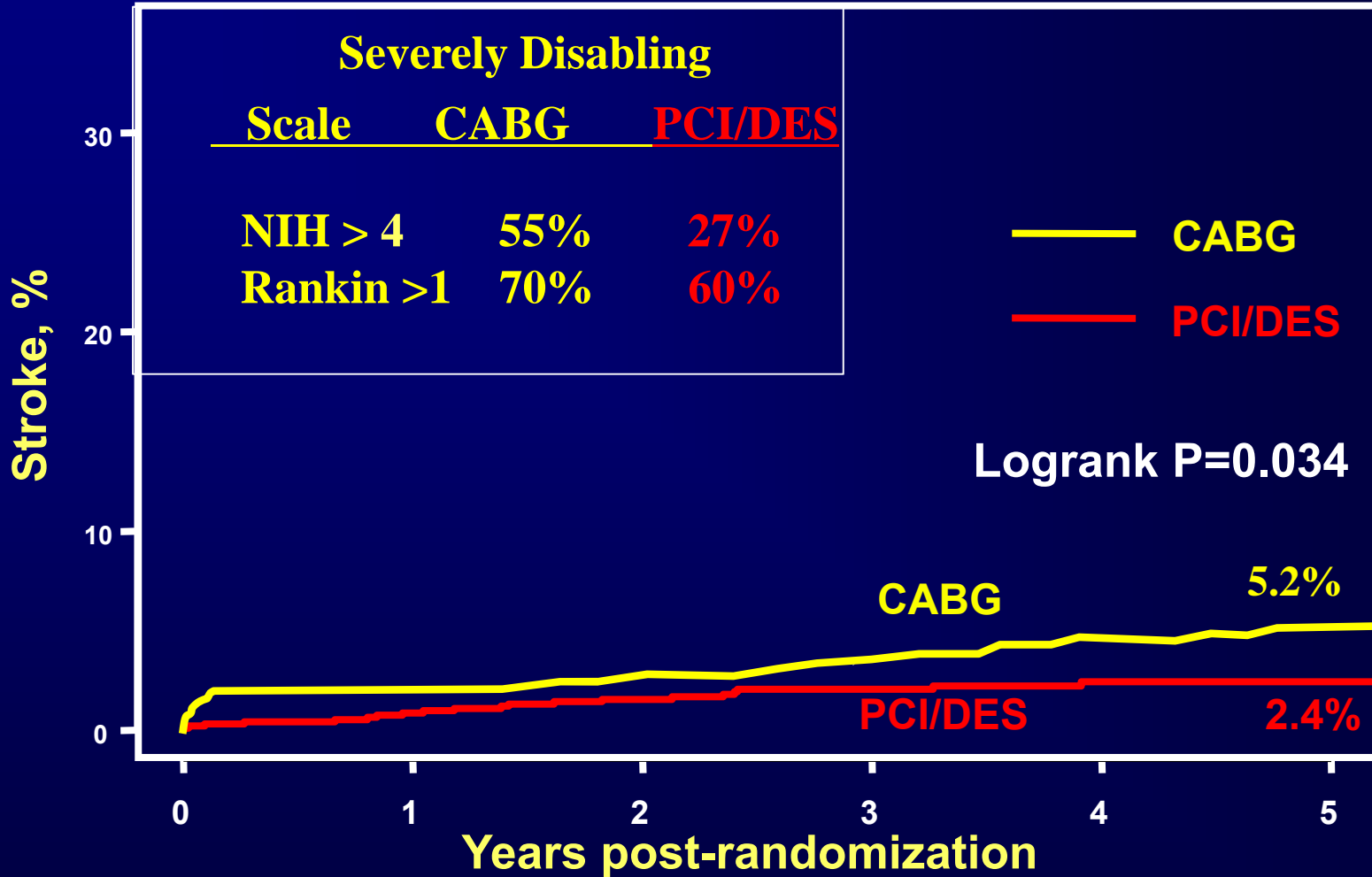
ALL-CAUSE MORTALITY



PCI/DES N	953	897	845	685	466	243
CABG N	947	855	806	655	449	238



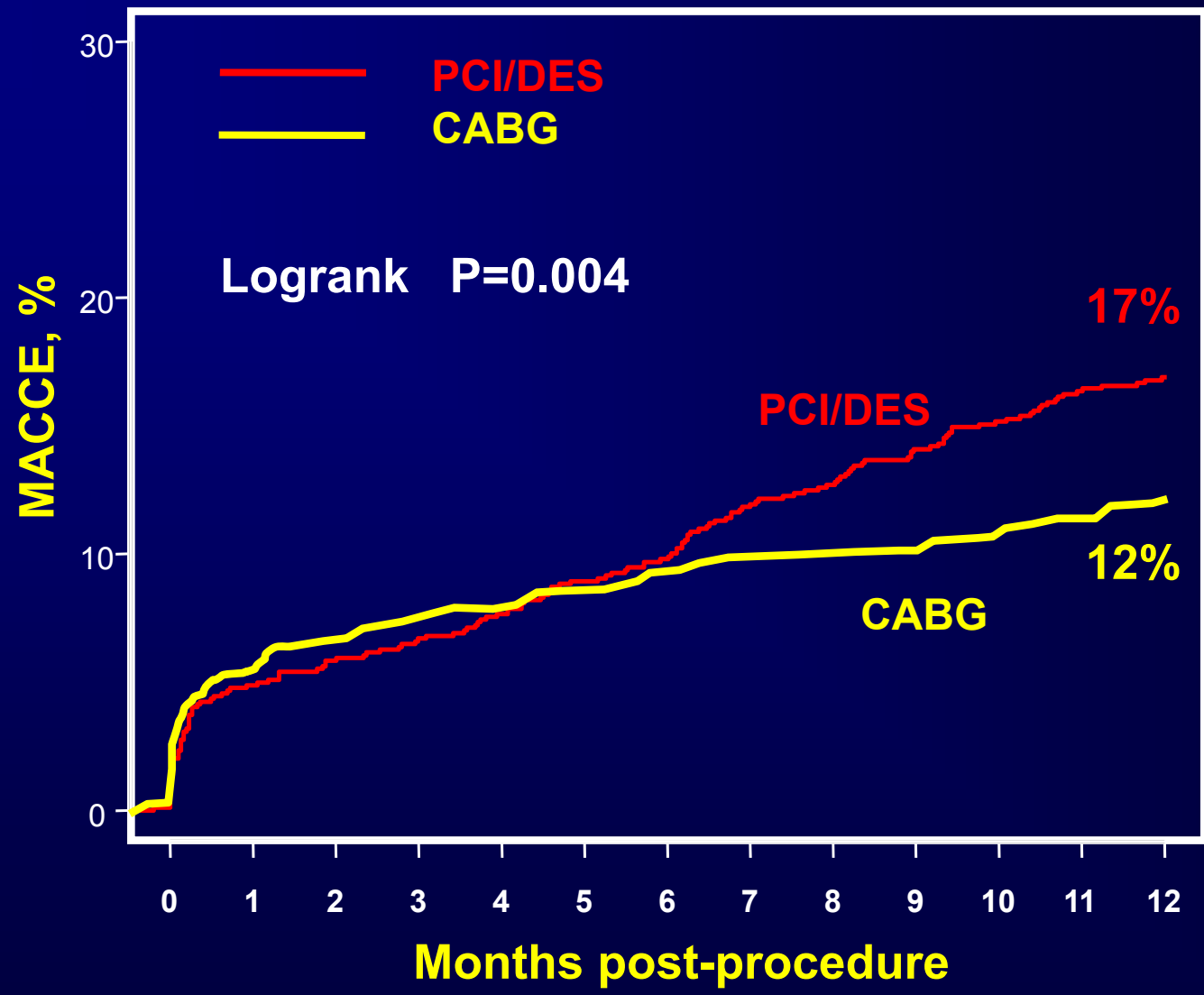
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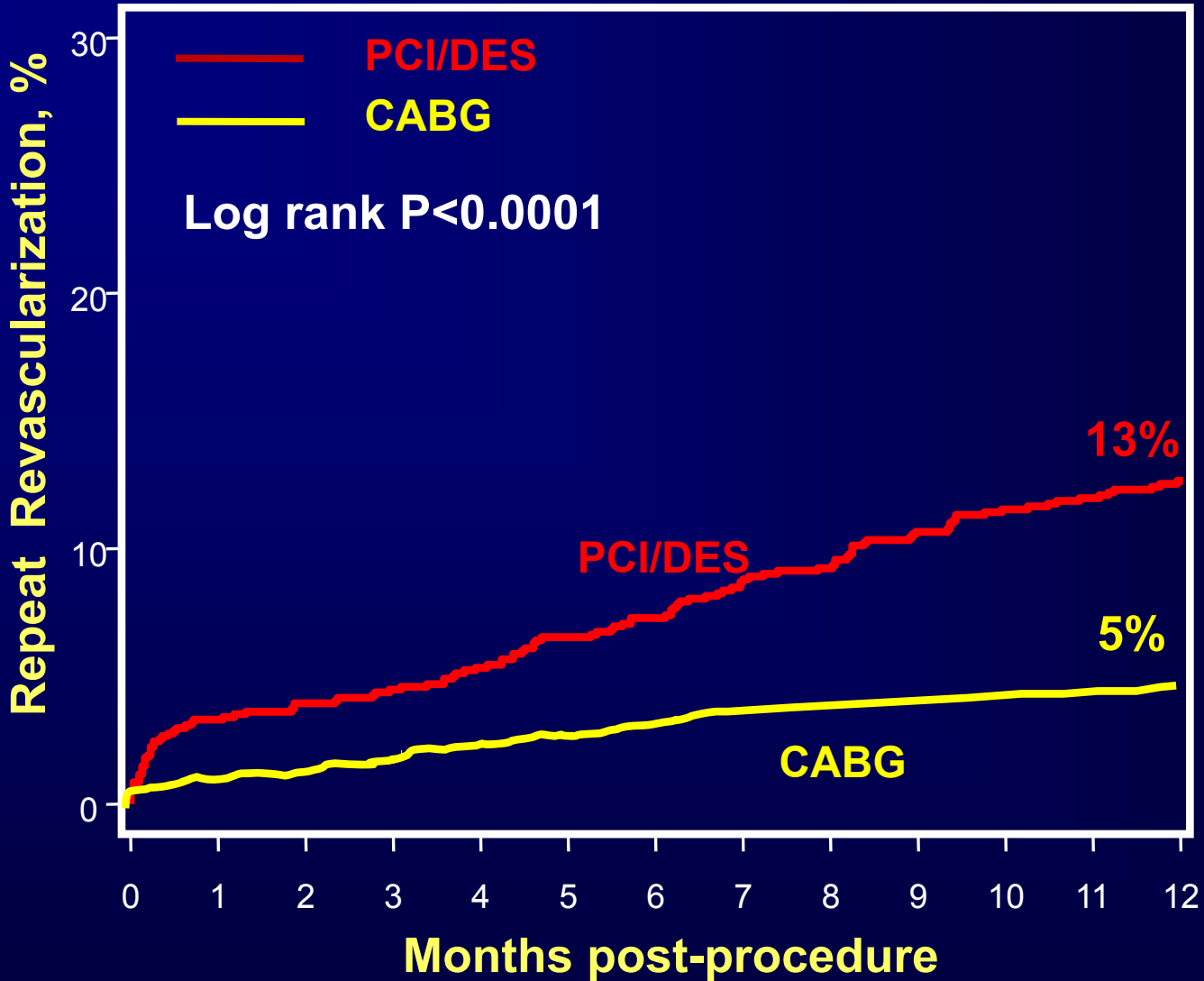
MACCE (DEATH / STROKE / MI / REPEAT REV.)



PCI/DES N 944	873	842	803	773
CABG N 911	825	805	794	773



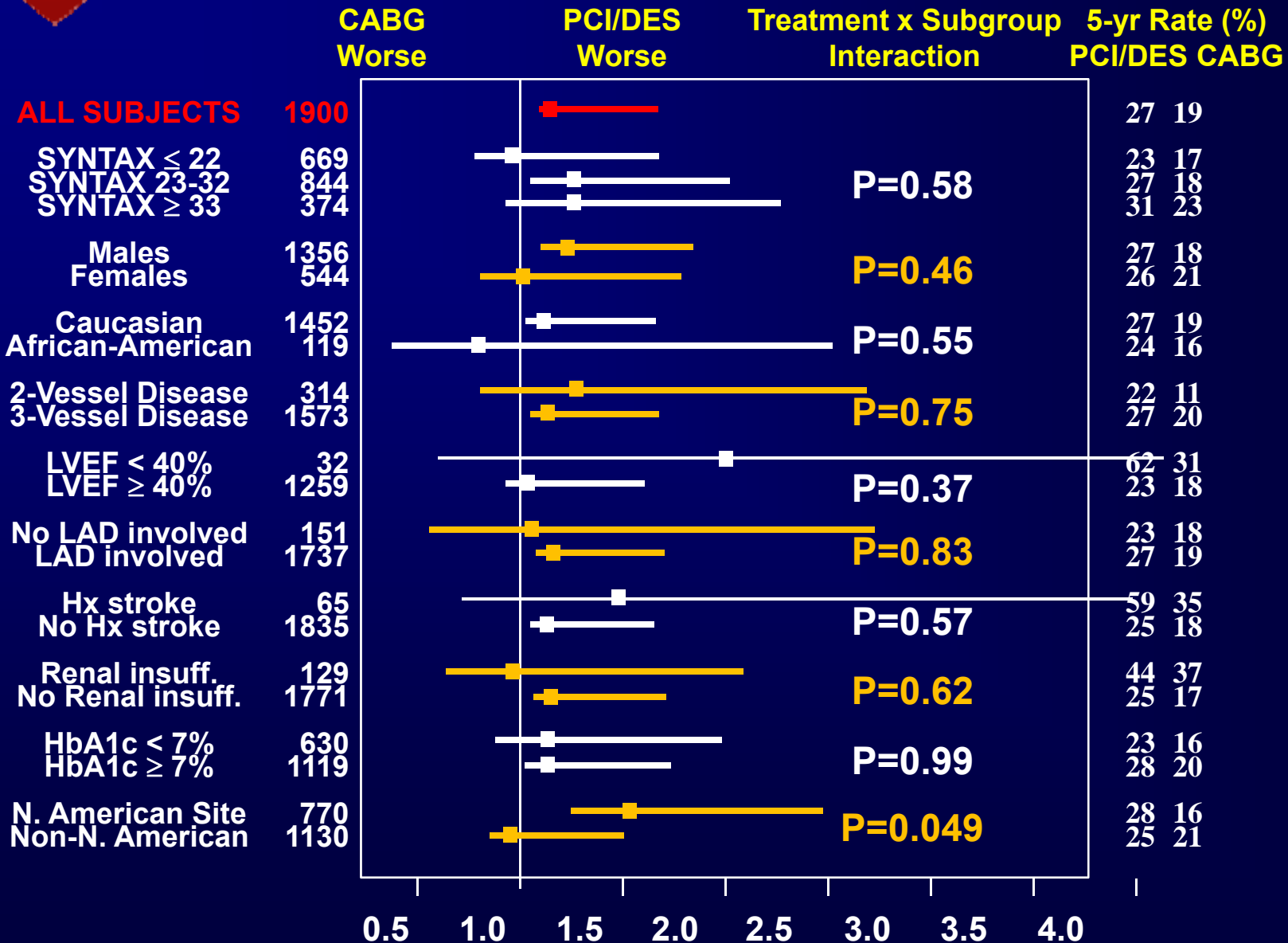
REPEAT REVASCULARIZATION



PCI/DES N 944	887	856	818	792
CABG N 911	858	836	825	806



SUBGROUP ANALYSES



Hazard Ratio for Death/Stroke/MI



Conclusion

- Comparing CABG to PCI in patients with diabetes and advanced coronary disease, MI & all cause mortality were independently decreased, while stroke was slightly increased
- There was no significant interaction between the treatment effect of CABG on the primary endpoint according to SYNTAX score or any other prespecified subgroup.
- **CABG surgery is the preferred method of revascularization for patients with diabetes & multi-vessel CAD.**



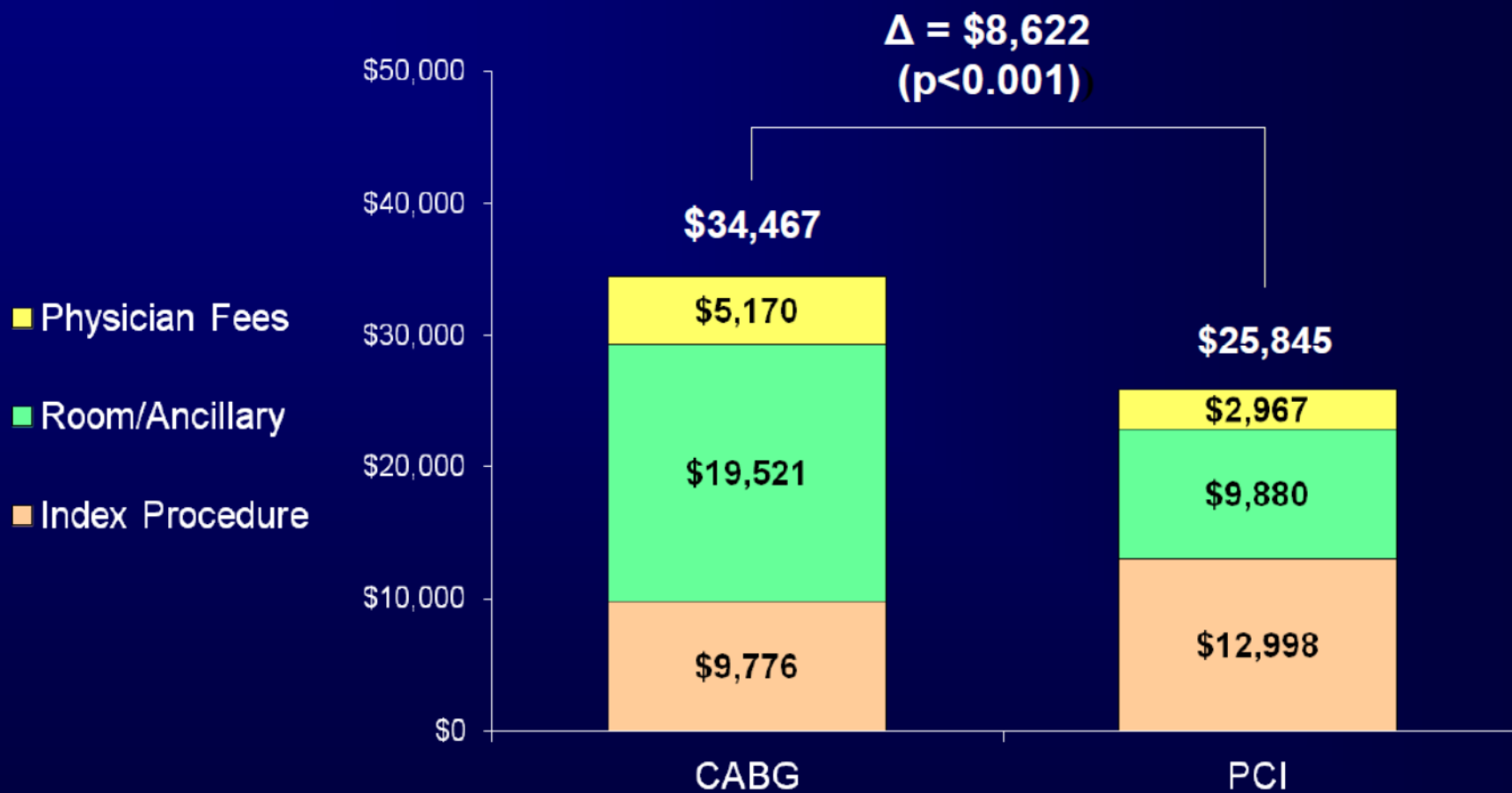
**Cost-Effectiveness of PCI with Drug Eluting
Stents vs. Bypass Surgery for Patients with
Diabetes and Multivessel CAD:
*Results from the FREEDOM Trial***

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Kaijun Wang, Katherine Vilain, Haiyan Li, Jaime Appelwick,
Victoria Muratov, Lynn A. Sleeper, Mouin Abdallah, David J. Cohen

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Index Hospitalization Costs

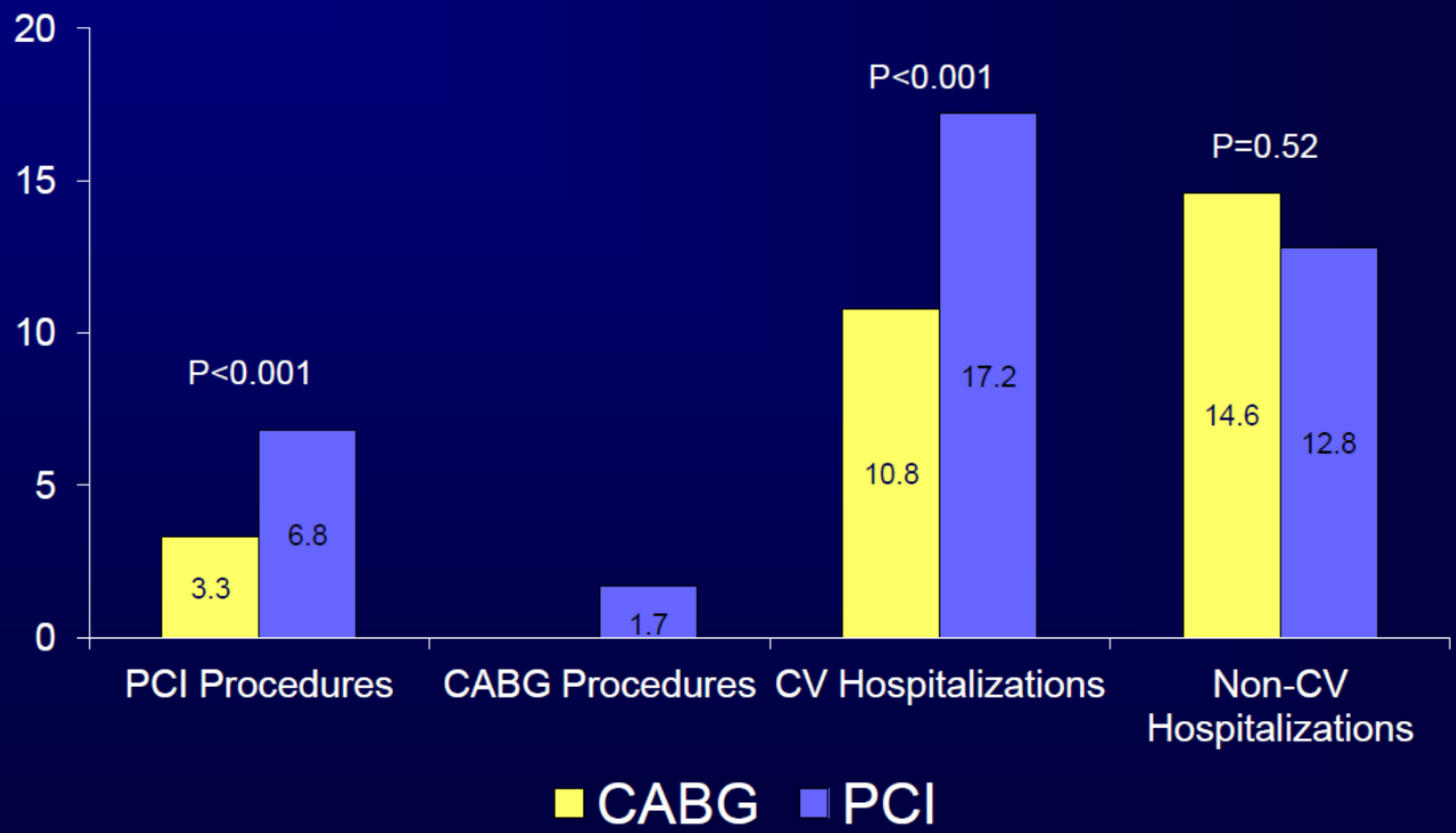


* ITT population (includes planned staged procedures)



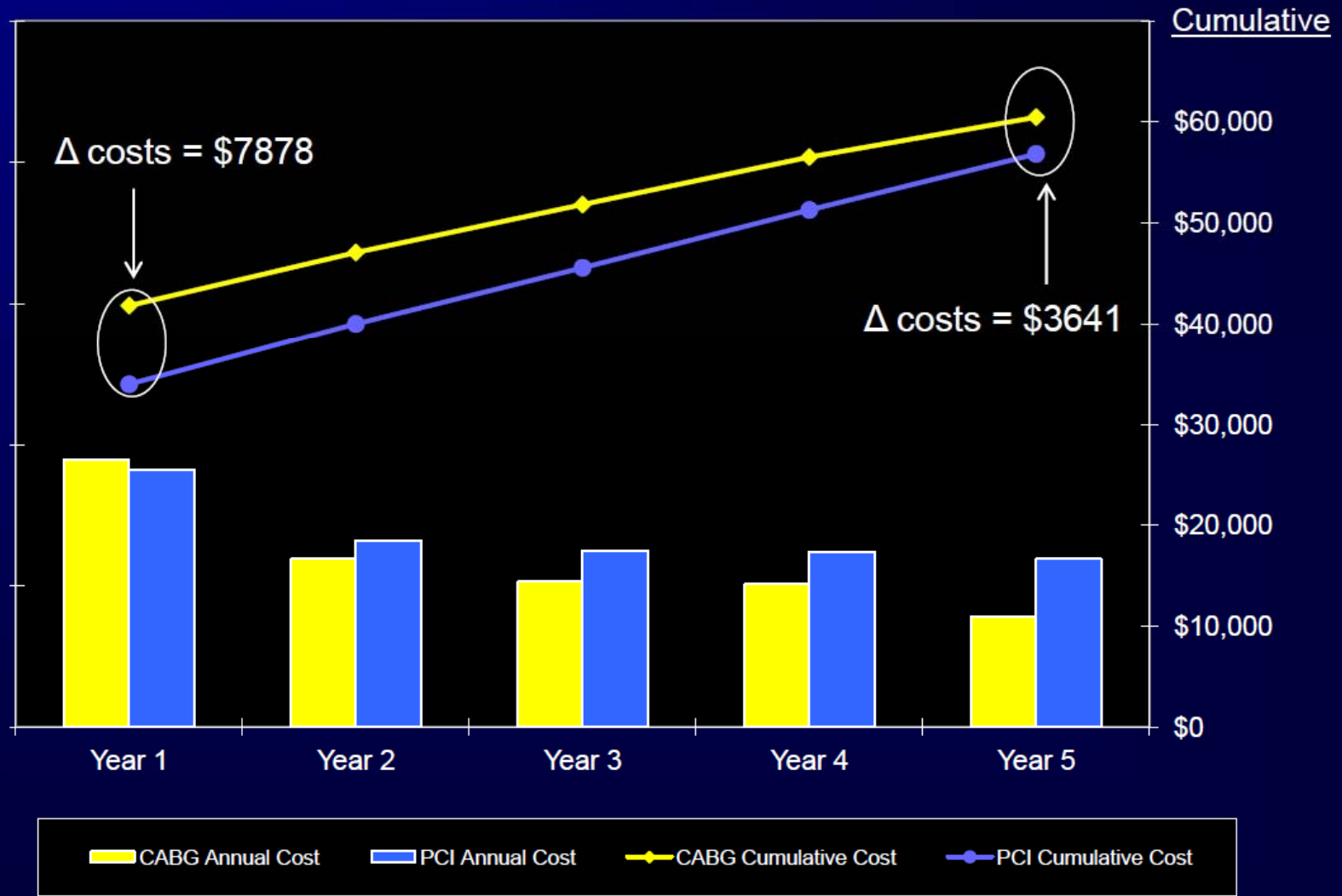
5-Year Follow-up Resource Utilization

Rates per 100 person-years





Annual and Cumulative Costs: Years 1- 5



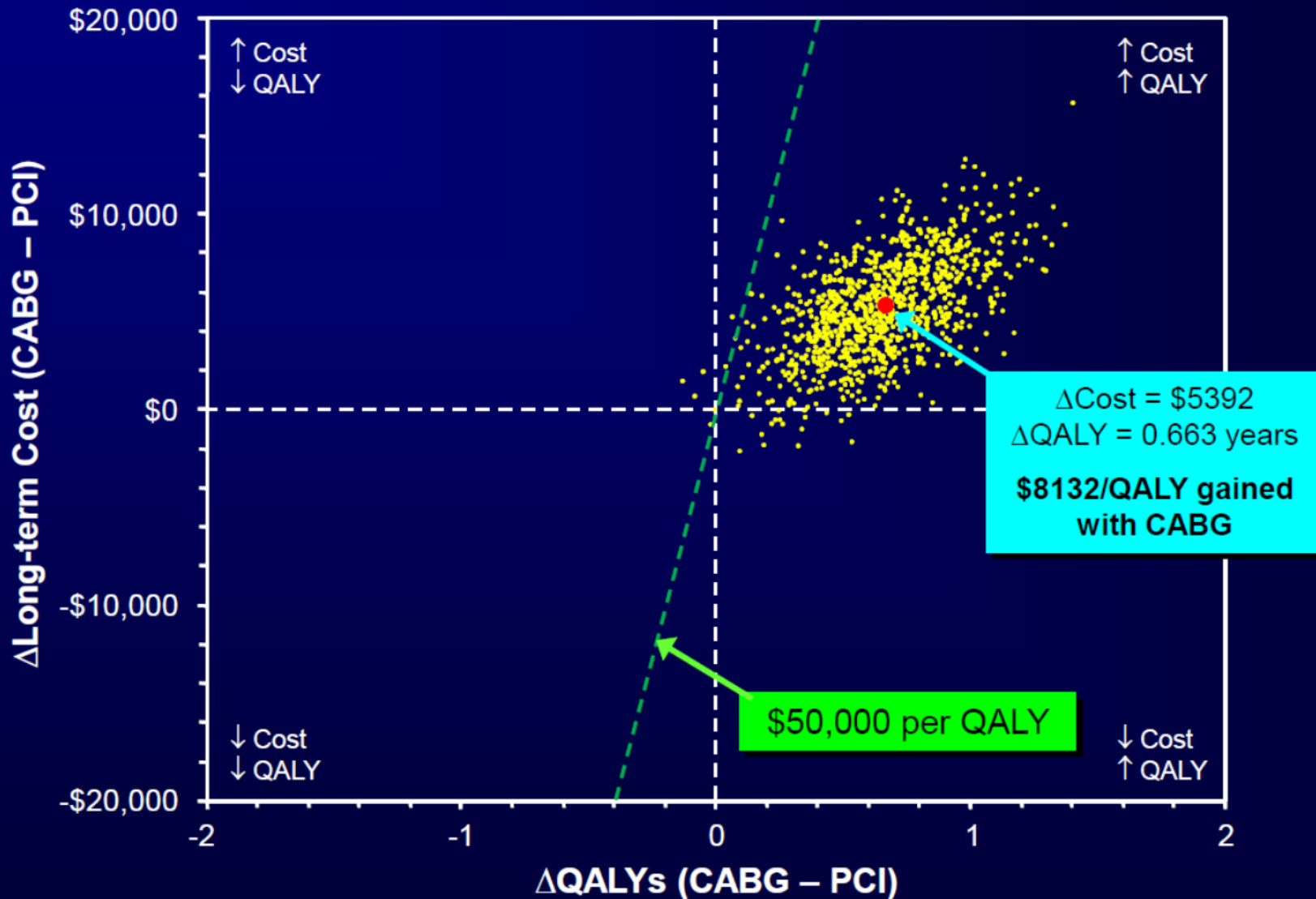


Annual Differences in Life Years and QALYs

Time Since Randomization (Years)	Δ Life Years (CABG-PCI)	Δ QALYs (CABG-PCI)
1	-0.008	-0.033
2	-0.010	-0.034
3	-0.0006	-0.029
4	+0.015	-0.004
5	+0.053	+0.031



Lifetime Cost-Effectiveness Results



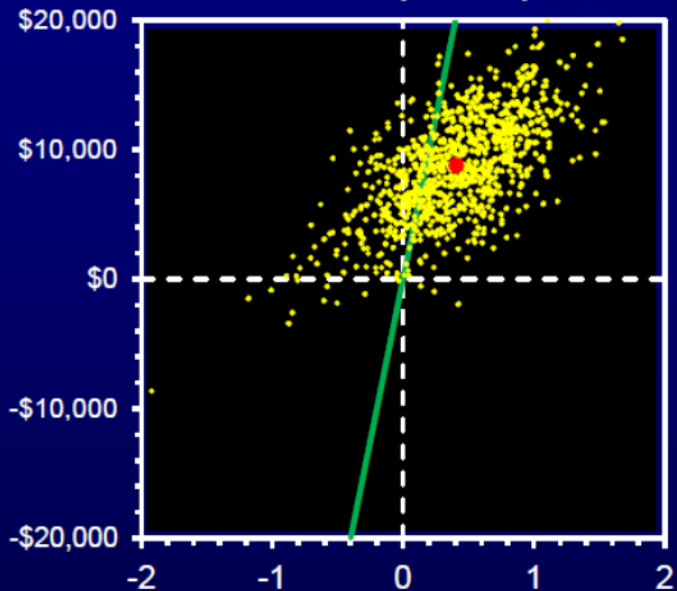
Costs and QALYs discounted 3% annually



Cost-Effectiveness of CABG vs. PCI

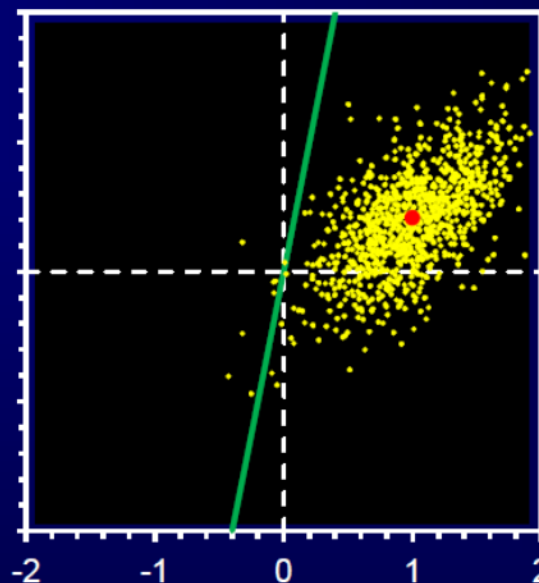
SYNTAX Score Tertiles

Low (<23)



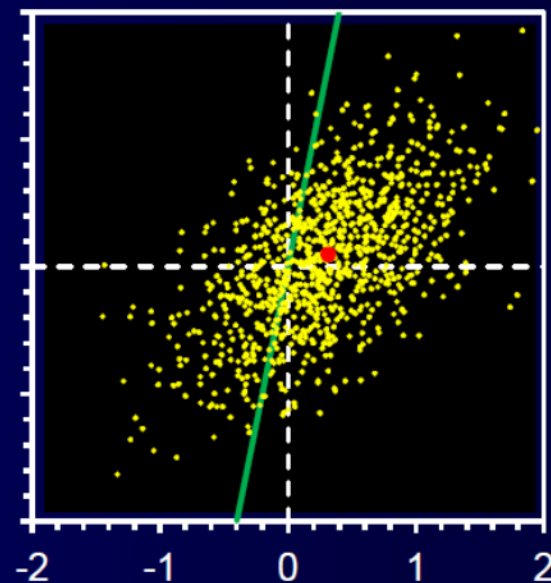
Δ Costs	\$8,784
Δ QALYs	0.407
ICER	\$21,582

Mid (23-32)



Δ Costs	\$4,160
Δ QALYs	0.997
ICER	\$4,172

High (>32)



Δ Costs	\$973
Δ QALYs	0.315
ICER	\$3,088



Conclusions

- For patients with diabetes and multivessel CAD, CABG provides not only better long-term clinical outcomes than DES-PCI but these benefits are achieved at an overall cost that represents an attractive use of societal health care resources
- These findings provide additional support for existing guidelines that recommend CABG for diabetic patients with multivessel CAD



CABG Again Outshines Stenting for Some Patients With Coronary Artery Blockage

Mike Mitka, MSJ

LOS ANGELES—A study of patients with diabetes in need of multivessel revascularization has shown that coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery produces better outcomes than percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI). The study, highlighted here in November during the annual Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association (AHA), adds to the growing list of investigations showing superiority of CABG over PCI in a variety of patient populations.

Yet mounting evidence suggests that PCI continues to be performed at rates higher than is appropriate. So why does it remain difficult for interventional cardiologists to embrace this corner of the evidence-based medicine world?

At the AHA meeting, attendees heard the results from the Future Revascularization Evaluation in Patients With Diabetes Mellitus: Optimal Management of Multivessel Disease (FREEDOM) trial. The FREEDOM researchers randomized 1900 patients with diabetes and

“CABG surgery is the preferred intervention for patients with diabetes and multivessel disease,” said Valentin Fuster, MD, PhD, senior author of FREEDOM



Antonia Reeve/www.sciencesource.com

New findings suggest that coronary artery bypass graft surgery produces better outcomes than stenting in patients with diabetes who require multivessel revascularization.

103 549 patients who underwent PCI for treatment of 2-vessel or 3-vessel coronary artery disease without acute myocardial infarction from 2004 through 2008 (Weintraub WS et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2012;366[16]:1467-1476).

William S. Weintraub, MD, one of ASCERT's principal investigators and director of the Christiana Center for Outcomes Research in Wilmington, Del, said the FREEDOM trial should reinforce the superiority of CABG in revascularization of complicated patients. “Overall, surgery has been in decline for a number of years, and we’ve moved to less invasive procedures fairly easily,” said Weintraub in an interview. “But with FREEDOM, you are moving the needle back toward surgery.”

Fred H. Edwards, MD, another principal investigator with ASCERT and emeritus professor in the department of surgery at the University of Florida Academic Health Center in Jacksonville, said his trial and FREEDOM should give clinicians the evidence they need to make better-informed deci-

Final Five-Year Follow-up of the SYNTAX Trial:

Optimal Revascularization Strategy in Patients With Three-Vessel Disease and/or Left Main Disease

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On behalf of the SYNTAX investigators

Conflicts of Interest: None

SYNTAX Trial Design



De novo disease (n=1800)

Limited Exclusion Criteria

- Previous interventions
- Acute MI with CPK > 2x
- Concomitant cardiac surgery

Left Main Disease
(isolated, +1, +2 or +3 vessels)

N=705

3 Vessel Disease
(revasc all 3 vascular territories)

N=1095

Primary endpoint = death/MI/stroke/repeat revasc at 1 year

Study Design & Patient Disposition



 **62 EU Sites**

+

 **23 US Sites**

De novo 3VD and/or LM (isolated, +1,2,3 VD)

Heart Team (Surgeon & Interventional Cardiologist) Review

- ▶ Randomized if suitable for either CABG or PCI or
- ▶ Enrolled in nested registry if not equally suitable



*N=649 followed for 5 years, N=1077 enrolled, **CABG N=644, PCI N=192 treated per protocol. PCI performed with TAXUS Express

Patient Characteristics



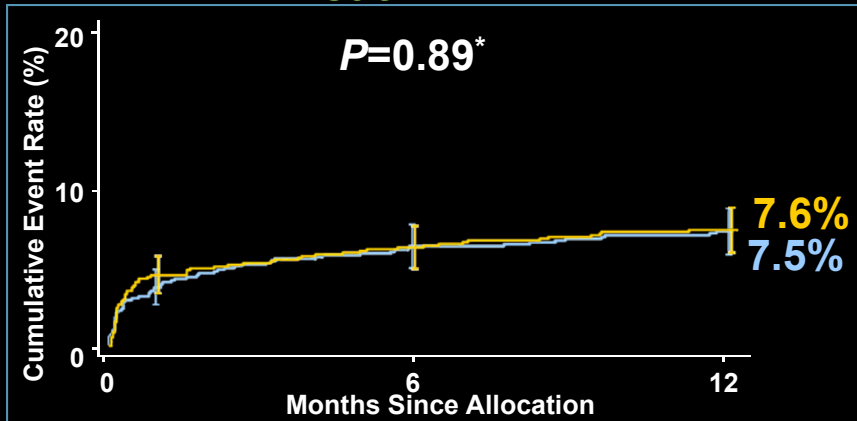
	CABG RCT N=897	PCI RCT N=903	P value	CABG Registry N=644	PCI Registry N=192
Age* (y)	65.0±9.8	65.2±9.7	0.55	65.7±9.4	71.2±10.4
Male, %	78.9	76.4	0.20	80.7	70.3
Diabetes*†, %	24.6	25.6	0.64	26.4	30.2
Additive euroSCORE*	3.8±2.7	3.8±2.6	0.78	3.9±2.7	5.8±3.1
Total Parsonnet score*	8.4±6.8	8.5±7.0	0.76	9.0±7.1	14.4±9.5
Total SYNTAX Score	29.1±11.4	28.4±11.5	0.19	37.8±13.3	31.6±12.3
Mean # of lesions	4.4±1.8	4.3±1.8	0.44	4.6±1.7	4.5±1.8
3VD only, %	66.3	65.4	0.70	59.7	66.7
Left main, any, %	33.7	34.6	0.70	40.3	33.3
Total occlusion, %	22.2	24.2	0.33	56.4	36.5
Complete revasc, %	63.2	56.7	0.005	74.7	36.5

Values are mean±SD or %. Core laboratory reported unless *Site-reported †Medically treated

Summary of Primary Endpoint (1 Year)



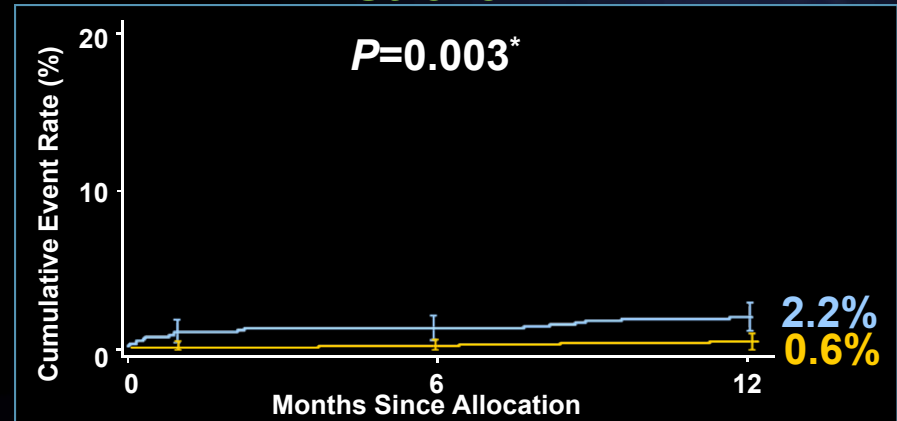
Death/CVA/MI



Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value;*Binary rates

ITT population

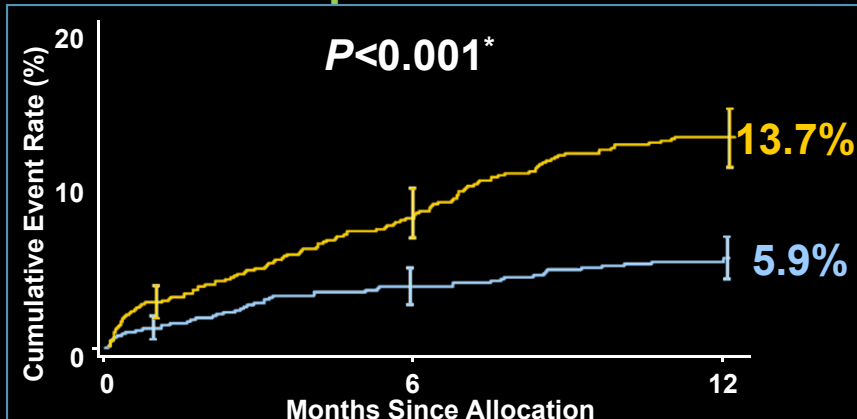
Stroke



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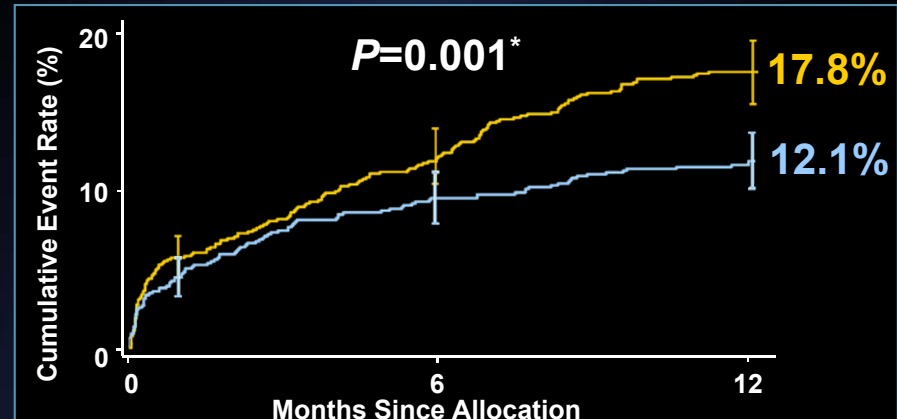
Repeat Revasc.



Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value;*Binary rates

ITT population

MACCE



Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value;*Binary rates

ITT population

- Death/CVA/MI rates were similar between CABG and PCI
- Stroke was increased in CABG vs PCI
- Repeat revascularization and MACCE were increased in PCI vs CABG



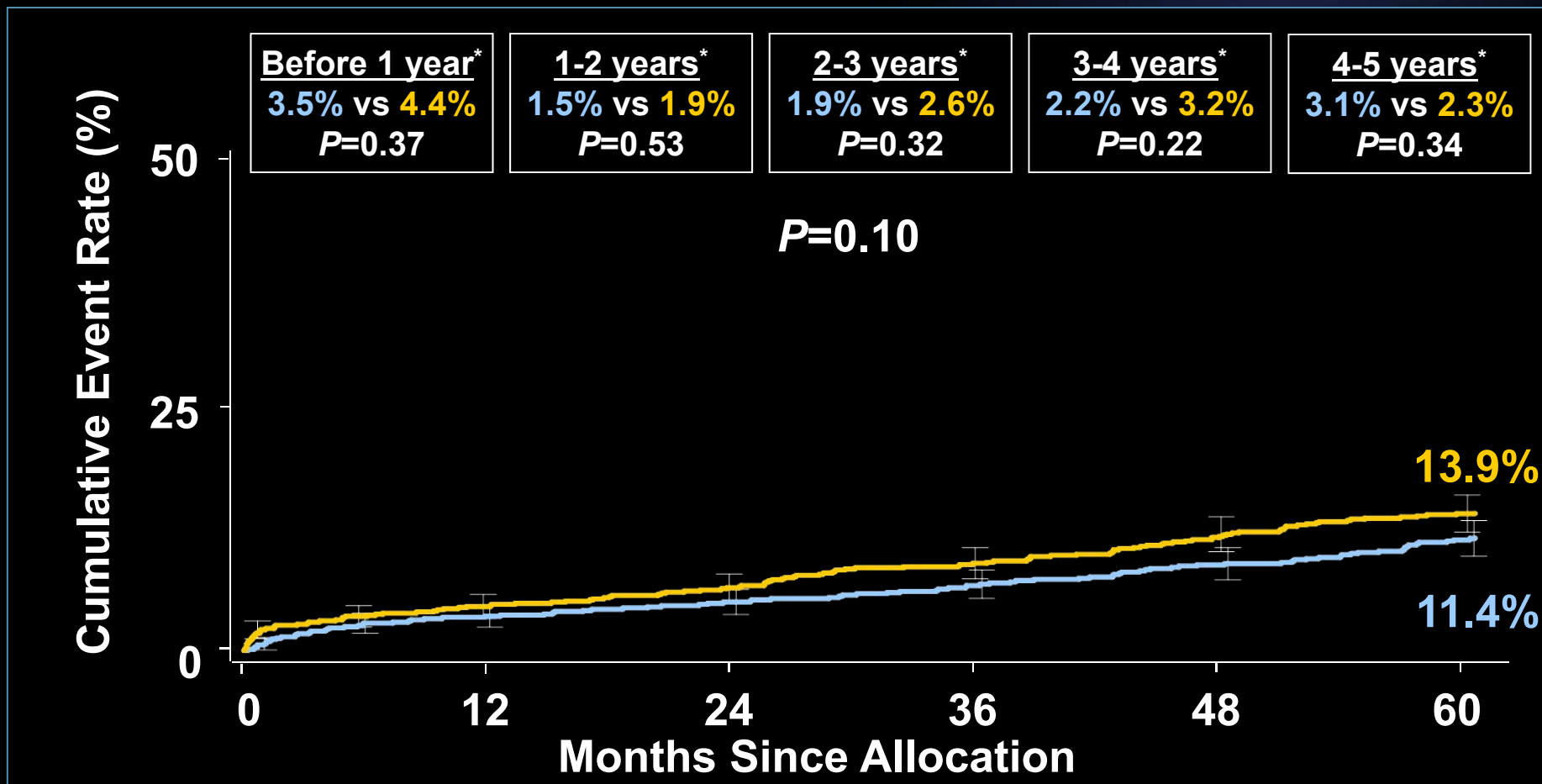
■ CABG (N=897) ■ PCI (N=903)

All-Cause Death to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value; *Binary rates

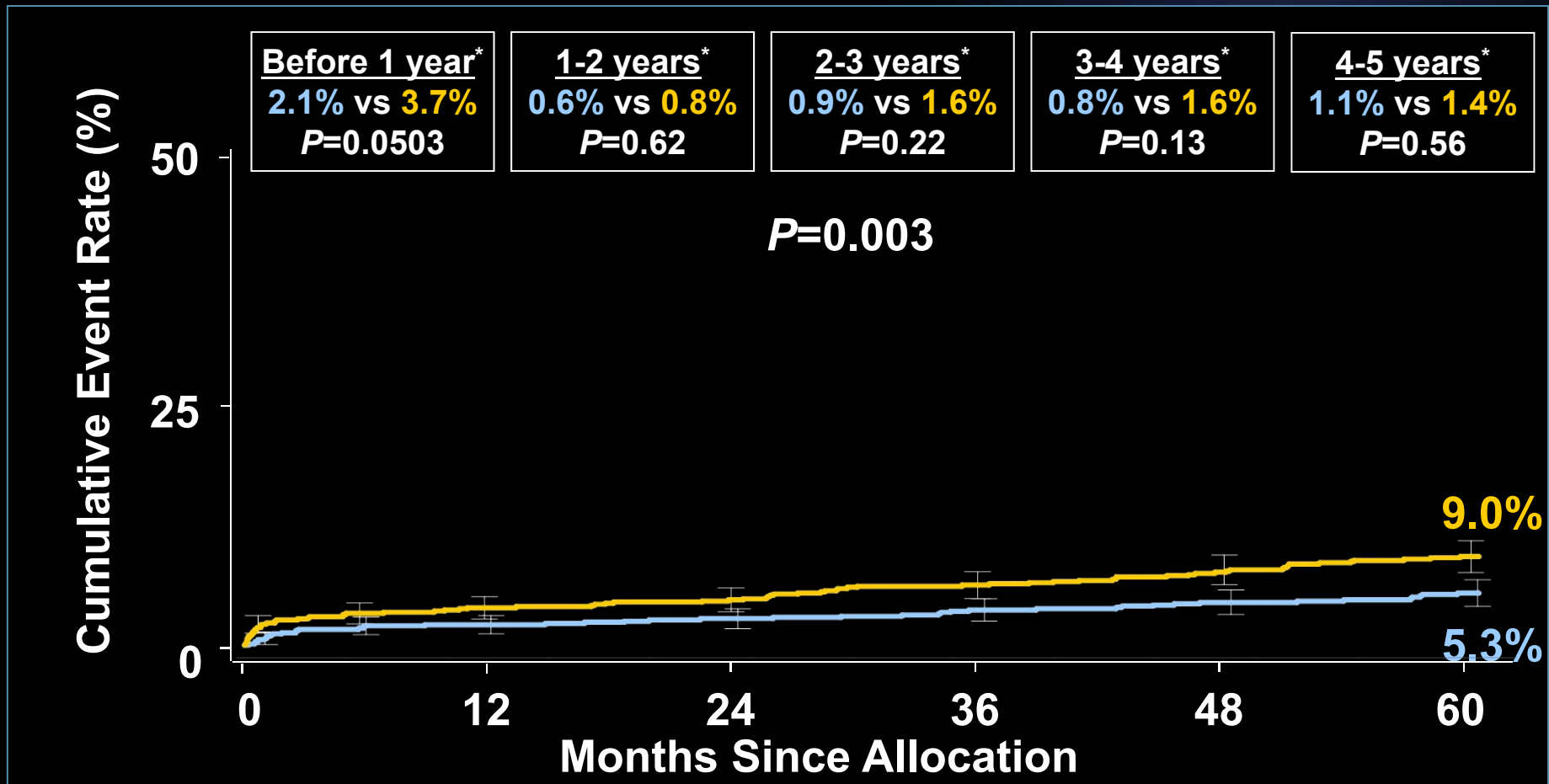
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Cardiac Death to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value; *Binary rates

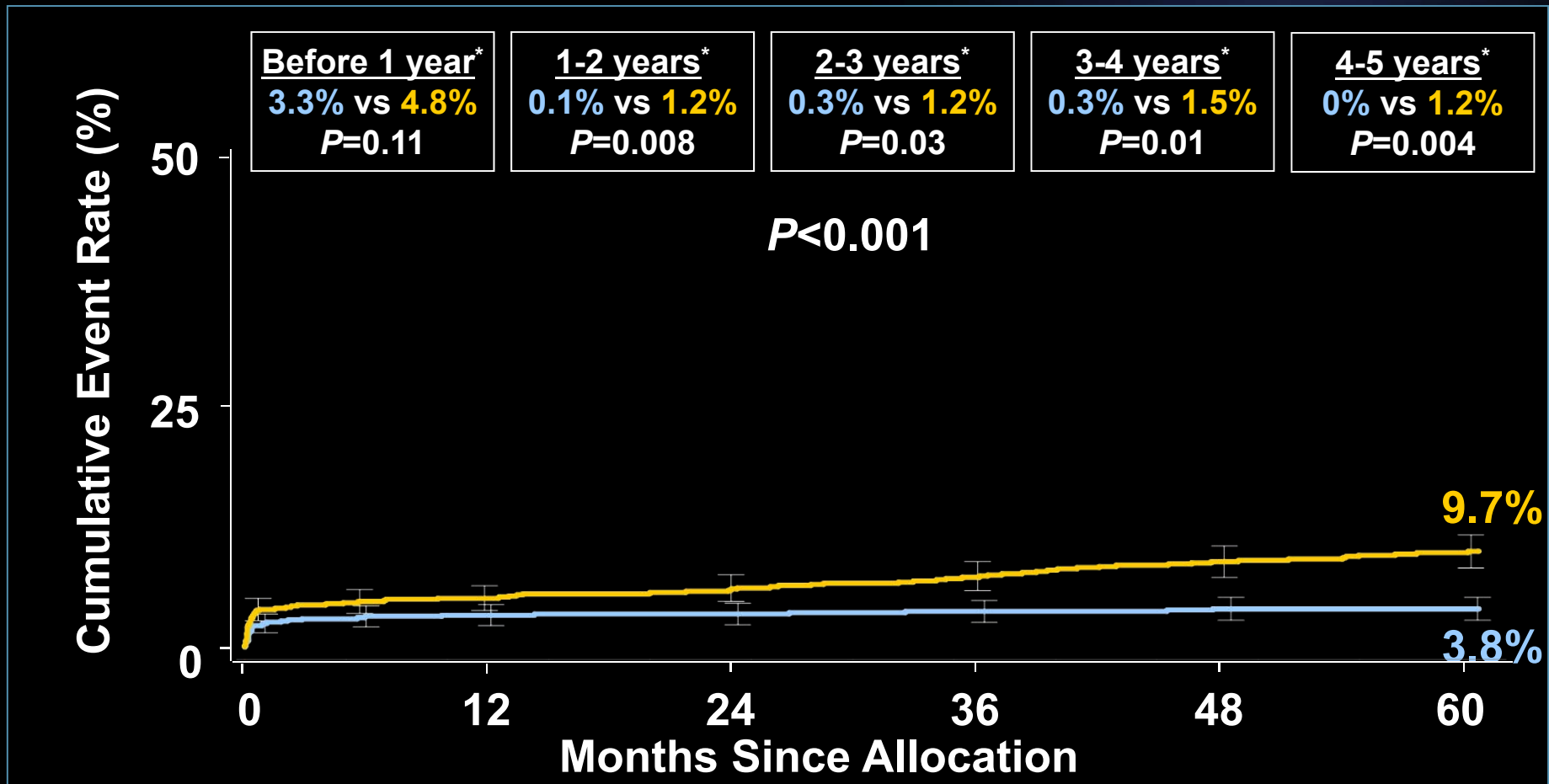
ITT population

Myocardial Infarction to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



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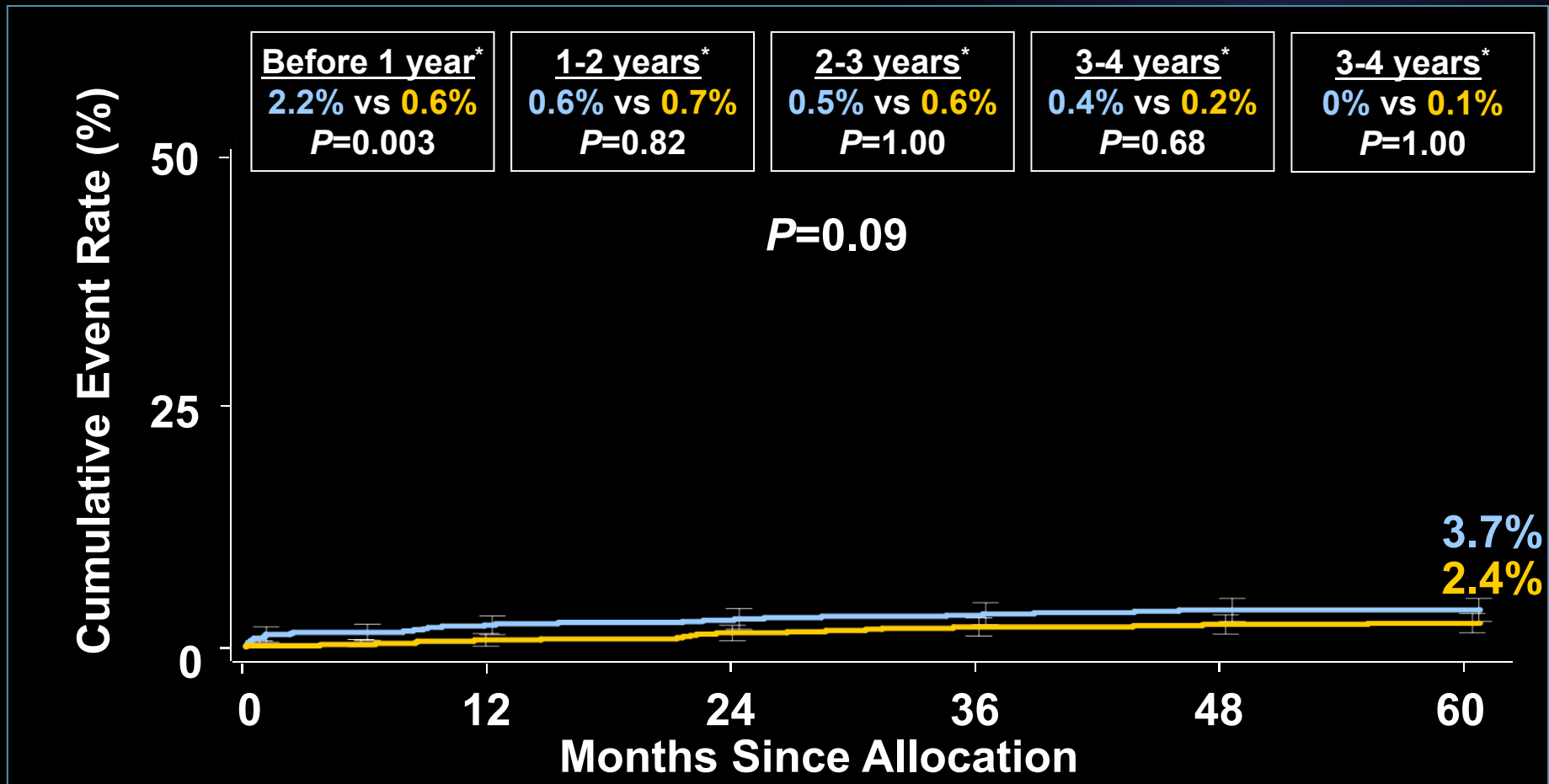
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CVA to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



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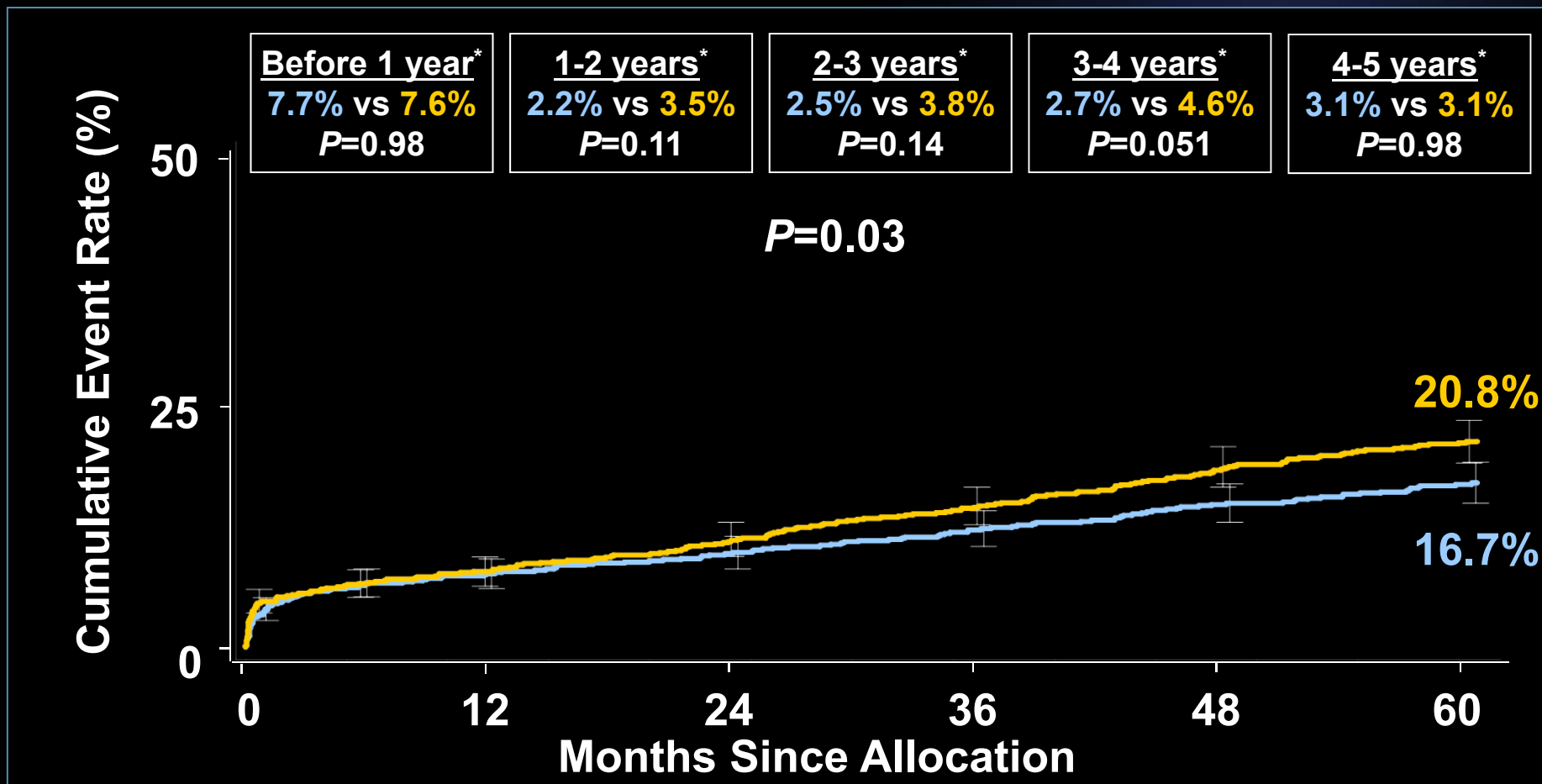
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All-Cause Death/CVA/MI to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



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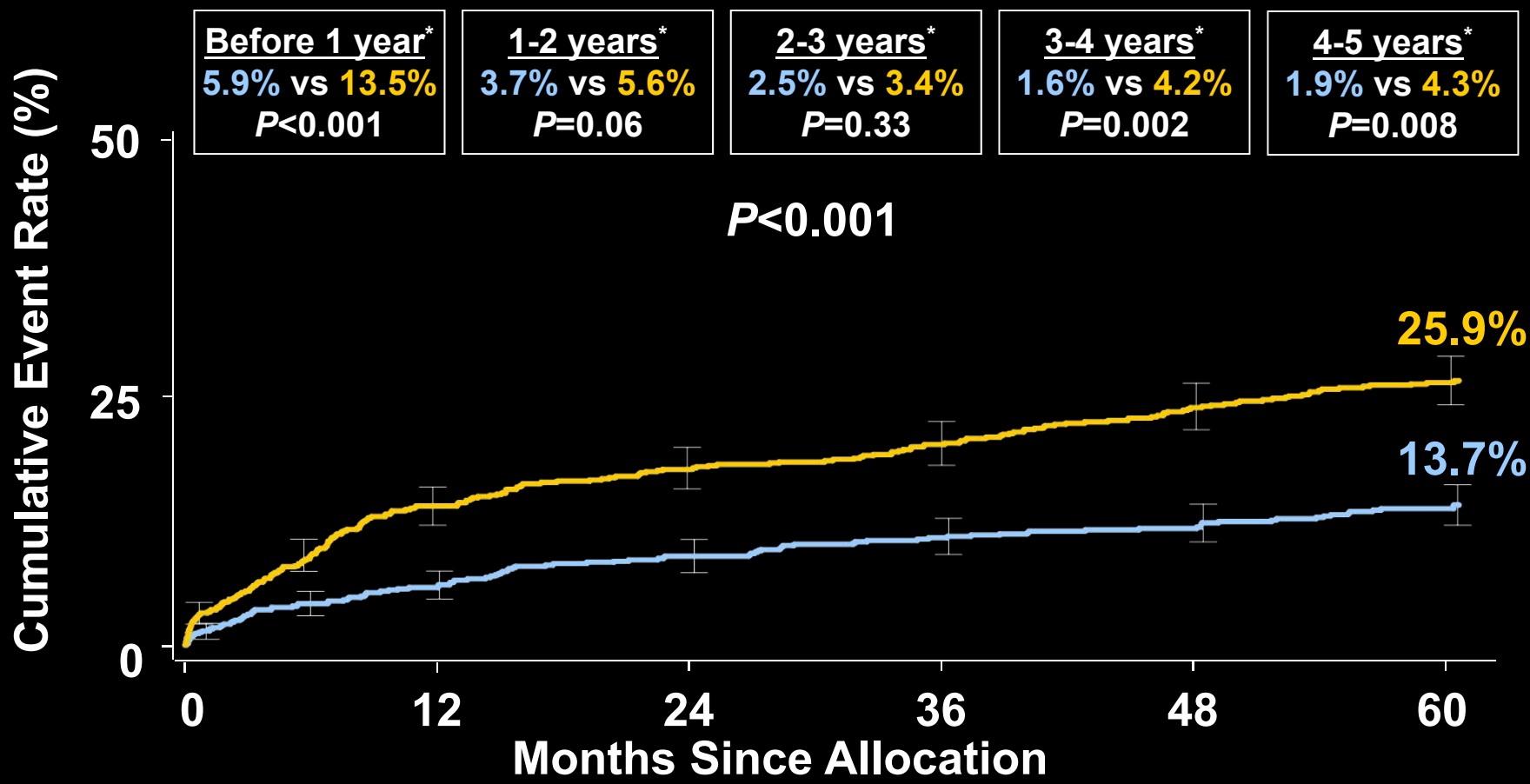
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Repeat Revascularization to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



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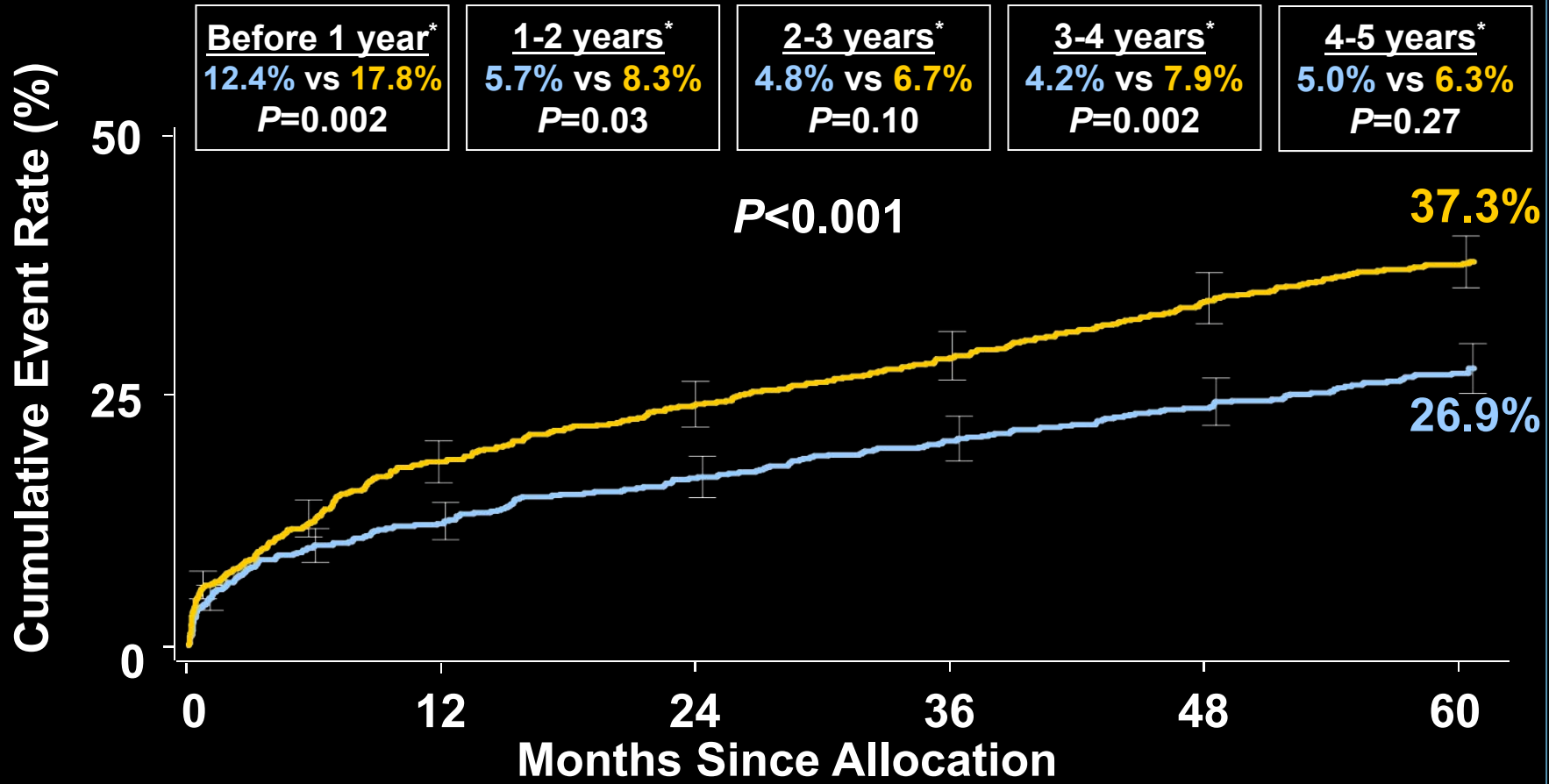
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MACCE to 5 Years



■ CABG (N=897)

■ TAXUS (N=903)



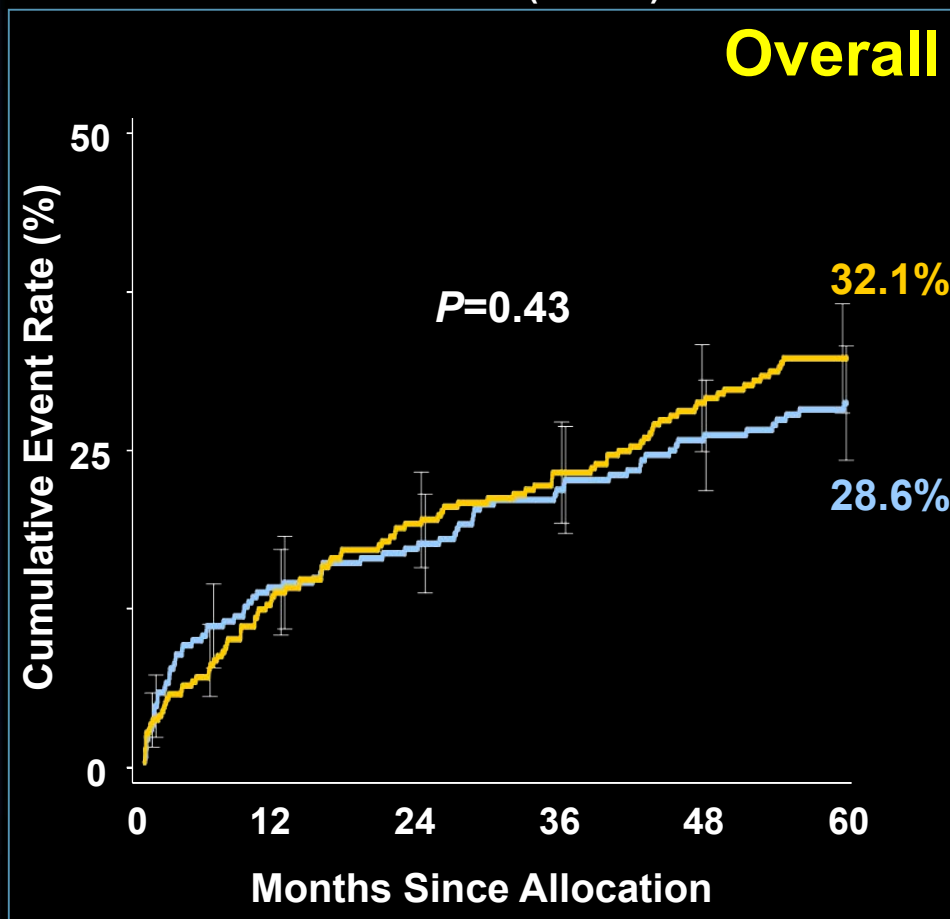
Cumulative KM Event Rate ± 1.5 SE; log-rank P value; *Binary rates

ITT population

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile *Low Scores (0-22)*



■ CABG (N=275)
■ TAXUS (N=299)



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	10.1%	8.9%	0.64
CVA	4.0%	1.8%	0.11
MI	4.2%	7.8%	0.11
Death, CVA or MI	14.9%	16.1%	0.81
Revasc.	16.9%	23.0%	0.06

Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value

Core lab-reported Data; ITT population

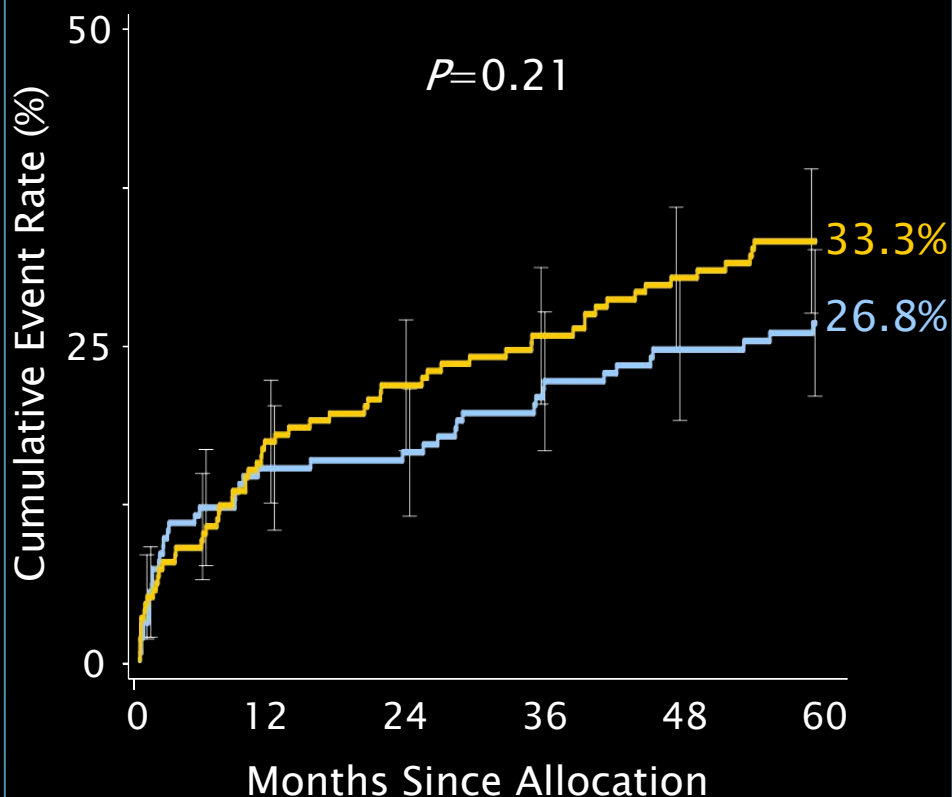
MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile

3VD Subset *Low Scores 0-22*



■ CABG (N=171)
■ TAXUS (N=181)

3-Vessel Disease



	CABG	PCI	Pvalue
Death	9.3%	10.2%	0.81
CVA	3.9%	1.8%	0.24
MI	4.9%	8.8%	0.20
Death, CVA or MI	14.8%	17.5%	0.56
Revasc.	14.6%	23.1%	0.04

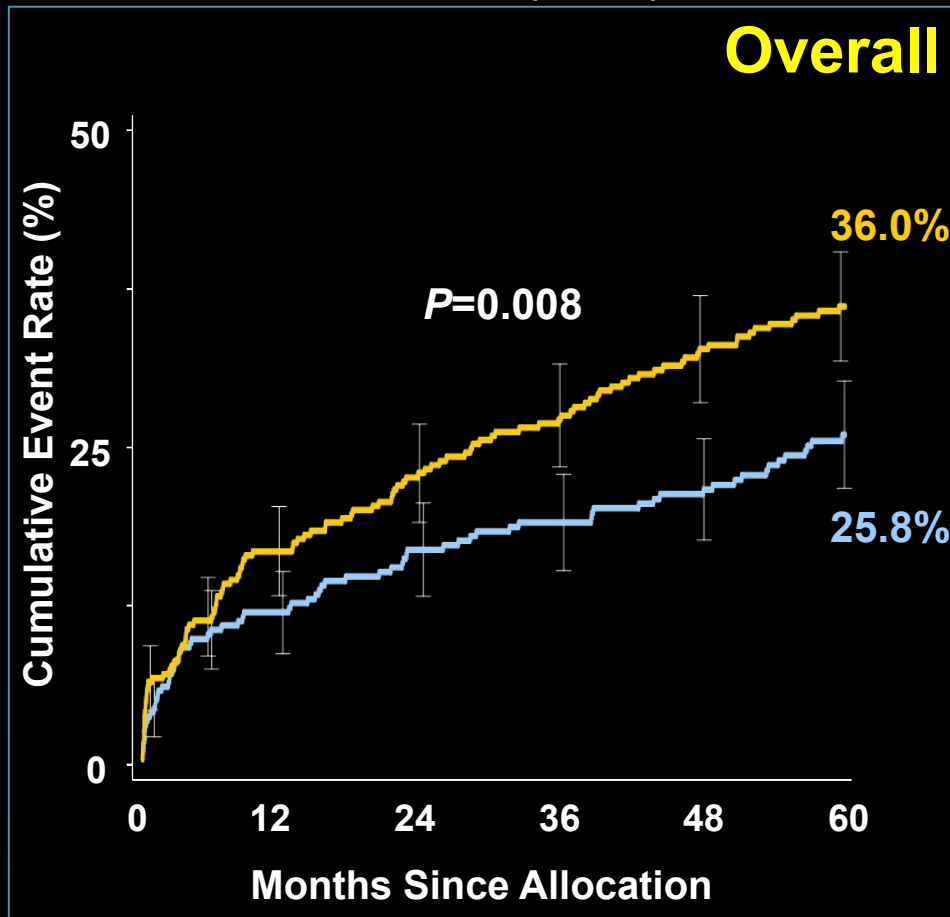
Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank Pvalue

Site-reported Data; ITT population

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile *Intermediate Scores (23-32)*



■ CABG (N=300)
■ TAXUS (N=310)



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	12.7%	13.8%	0.68
CVA	3.6%	2.0%	0.25
MI	3.6%	11.2%	<0.001
Death, CVA or MI	18.0%	20.7%	0.42
Revasc.	12.7%	24.1%	<0.001

Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value

Core lab-reported Data; ITT population

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile

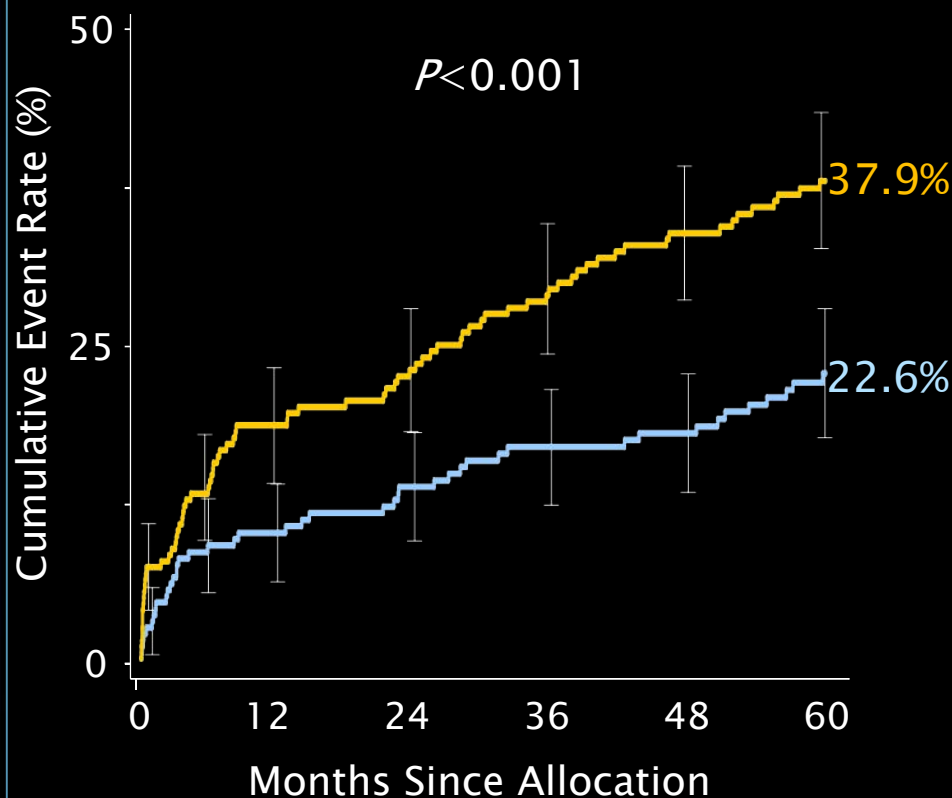
3VD Subset *Intermediate Scores 23–32*



■ CABG (N=208)

■ TAXUS (N=207)

3-Vessel Disease



	CABG	PCI	Pvalue
Death	9.6%	16.3%	0.047
CVA	3.6%	2.5%	0.53
MI	3.1%	13.8%	<0.001
Death, CVA or MI	14.7%	23.2%	0.04
Revasc.	11.0%	25.1%	<0.001

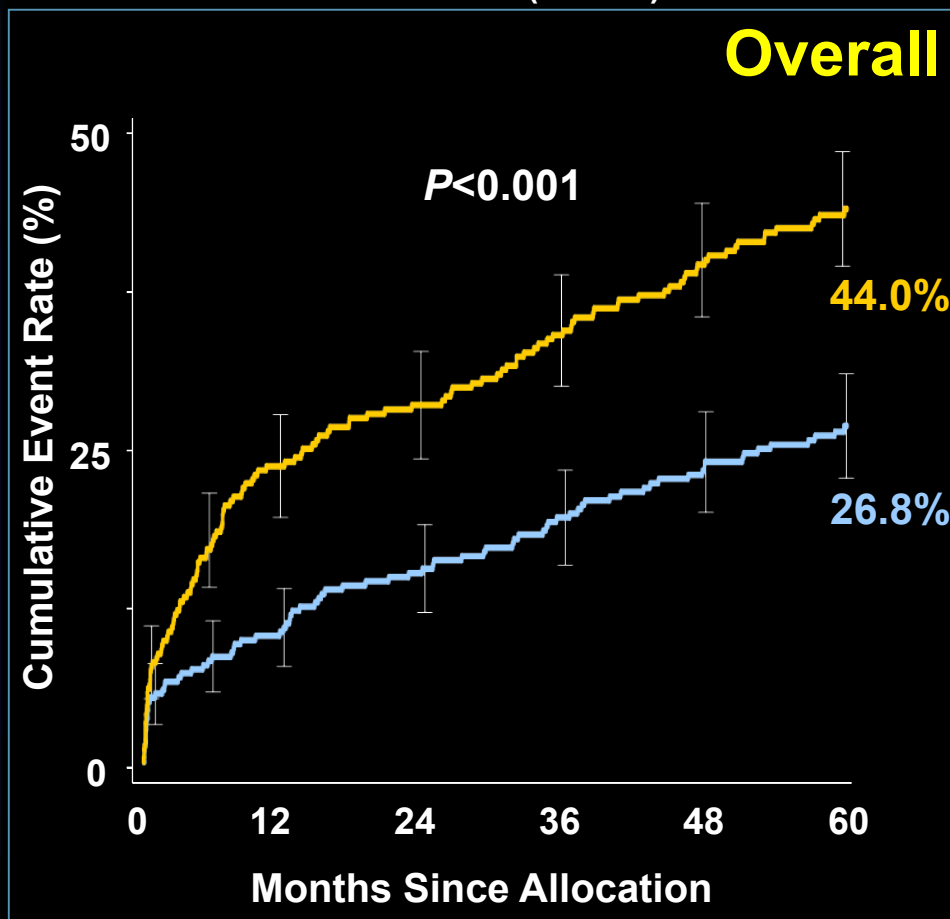
Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank Pvalue

Site-reported Data; ITT population

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile *High Scores (≥33)*



■ CABG (N=315)
■ TAXUS (N=290)



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	11.4%	19.2%	0.005
CVA	3.7%	3.5%	0.80
MI	3.9%	10.1%	0.004
Death, CVA or MI	17.1%	26.1%	0.007
Revasc.	12.1%	30.9%	<0.001

Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value

Core lab-reported Data; ITT population

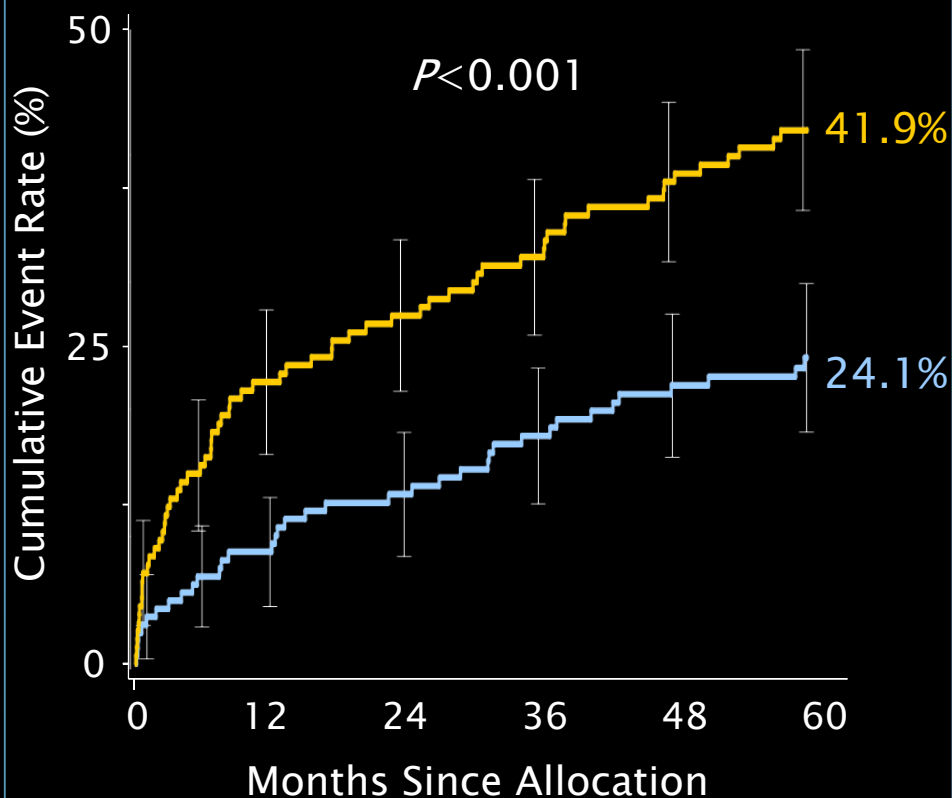
MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile

3VD Subset *High Scores* ≥ 33



■ CABG (N=166)
■ TAXUS (N=155)

3-Vessel Disease



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	8.8%	17.8%	0.02
CVA	2.6%	5.1%	0.31
MI	1.9%	8.7%	0.008
Death, CVA or MI	12.5%	26.2%	0.002
Revasc.	12.6%	28.2%	<0.001

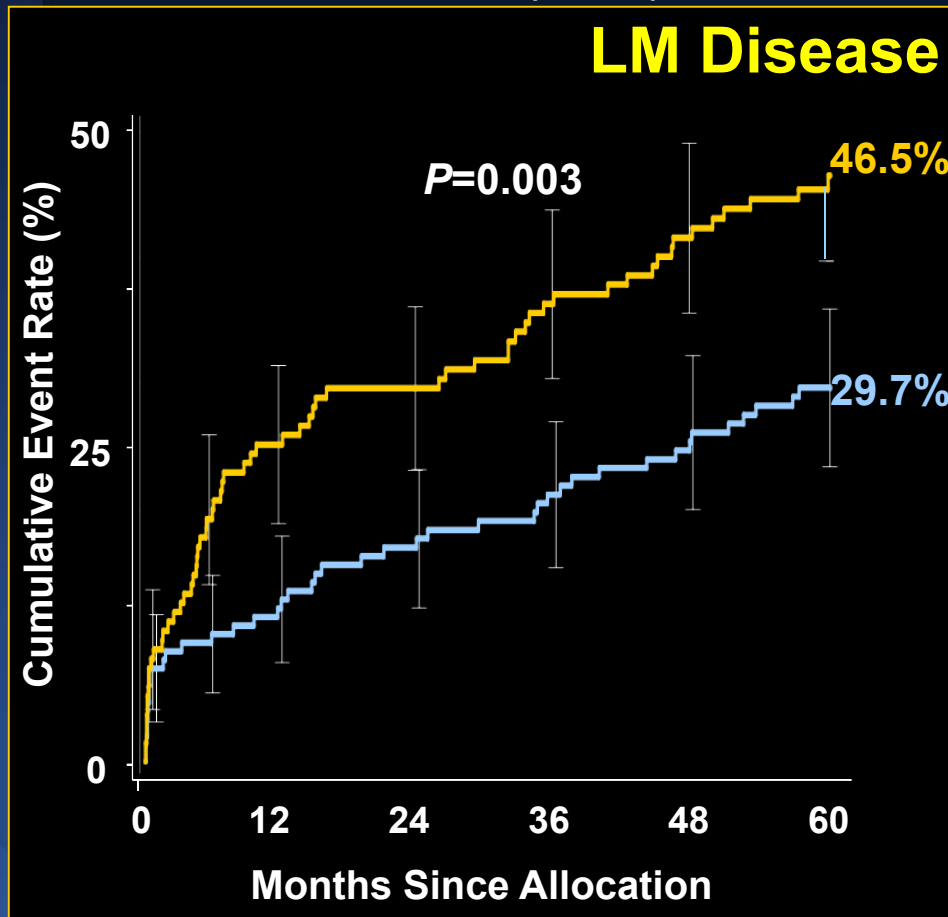
Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value

Site-reported Data; ITT population

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile LM Subset High Scores ≥ 33

 CABG (N=149)

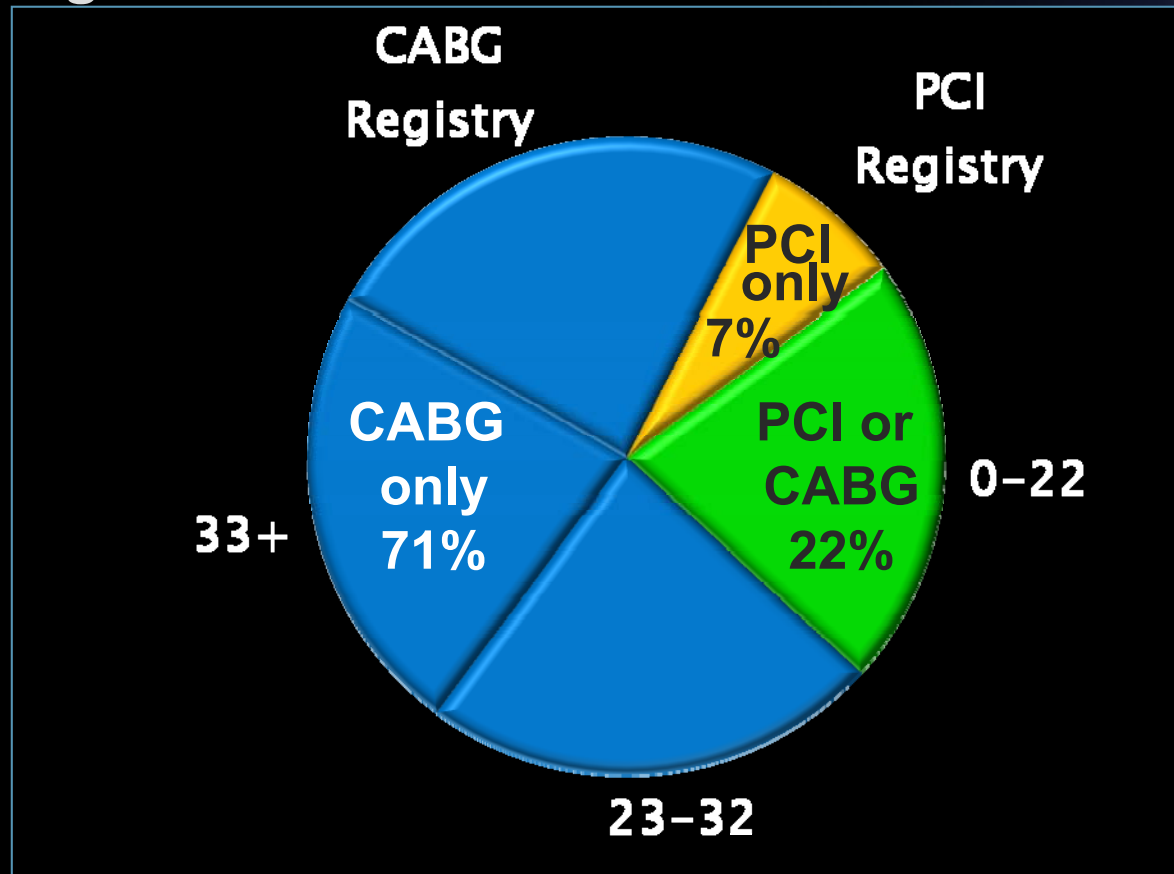
 TAXUS (N=135)



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	14.1%	20.9%	0.11
CVA	4.9%	1.6%	0.13
MI	6.1%	11.7%	0.13
Death, CVA or MI	22.1%	26.1%	0.40
Revasc.	11.6%	34.1%	<0.001

MACCE to 5 Years

Interpreting Results Based on SYNTAX Score



Five-year results of the SYNTAX trial suggest that 71% of all patients are still best treated with CABG; however, for the remaining patients PCI is an alternative to surgery

Summary & Conclusions



- ❖ The final 5-year results of the SYNTAX trial demonstrate that surgery remains the gold standard for patients with complex multivessel disease
- ❖ In patients with less complex disease, PCI is an acceptable alternative treatment
- ❖ Treatment decisions for an individual patient should continue to be made in consultation between the patient and the Heart Team, while considering the risks and benefits of the respective treatment options

Thank you to the SYNTAX Steering Committee and Investigators



Are FREEDOM and SYNTAX
conclusions consistent with real-world
experience?

3-year Outcomes Within PCI and CABG Registries Stratified by SYNTAX Score

3,075 pts in SYNTAX

6.4% in PCI Registry

- 71% b/o too high risk for CABG

35% in CABG Registry

- 71% b/o too complex anatomy

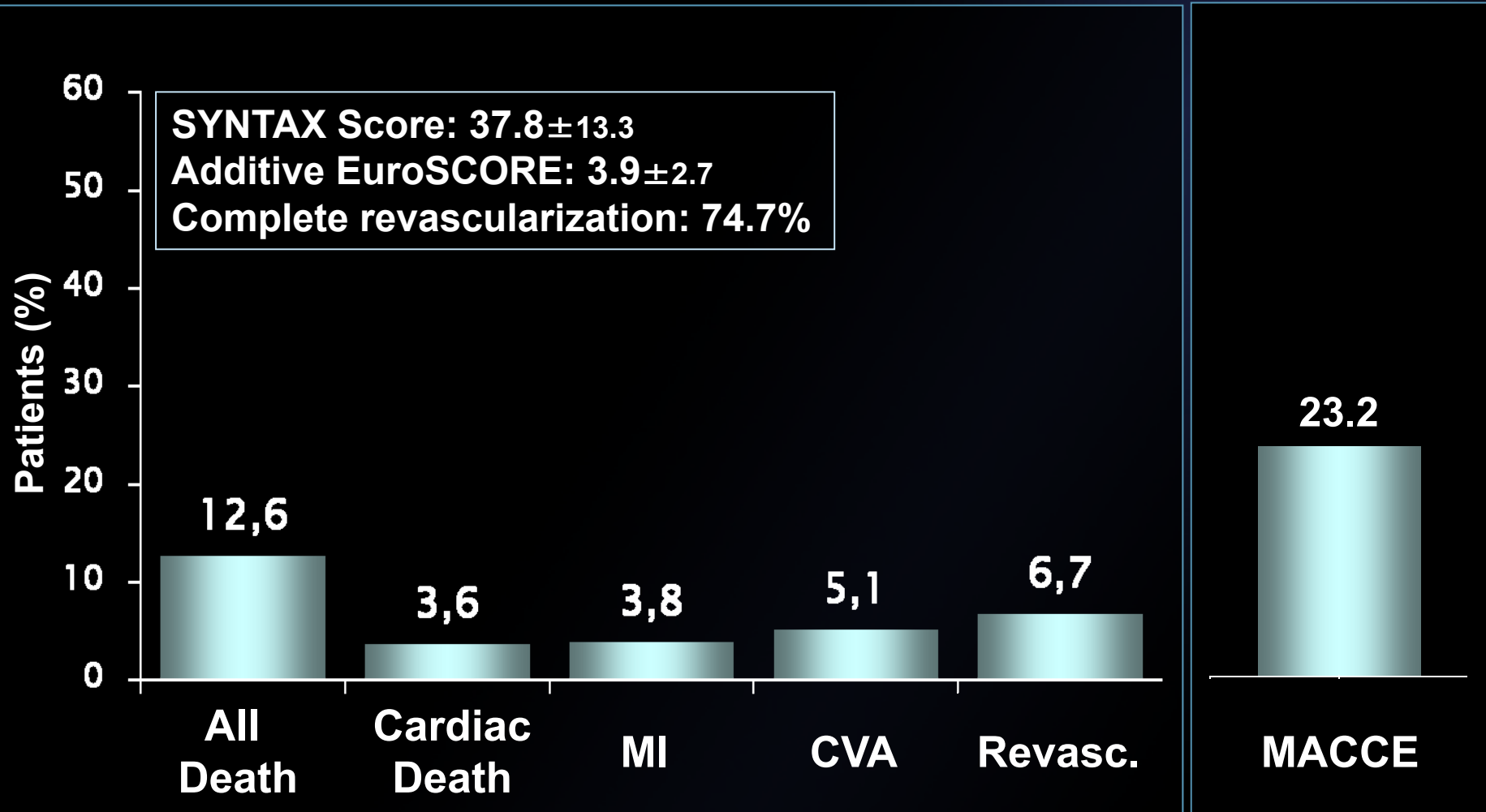
DM more prevalent in PCI
(35% vs 30% all, 15% vs 9% IDDM)

MACCE to 5 Years

SYNTAX CABG Registry



■ CABG Registry (n=644)

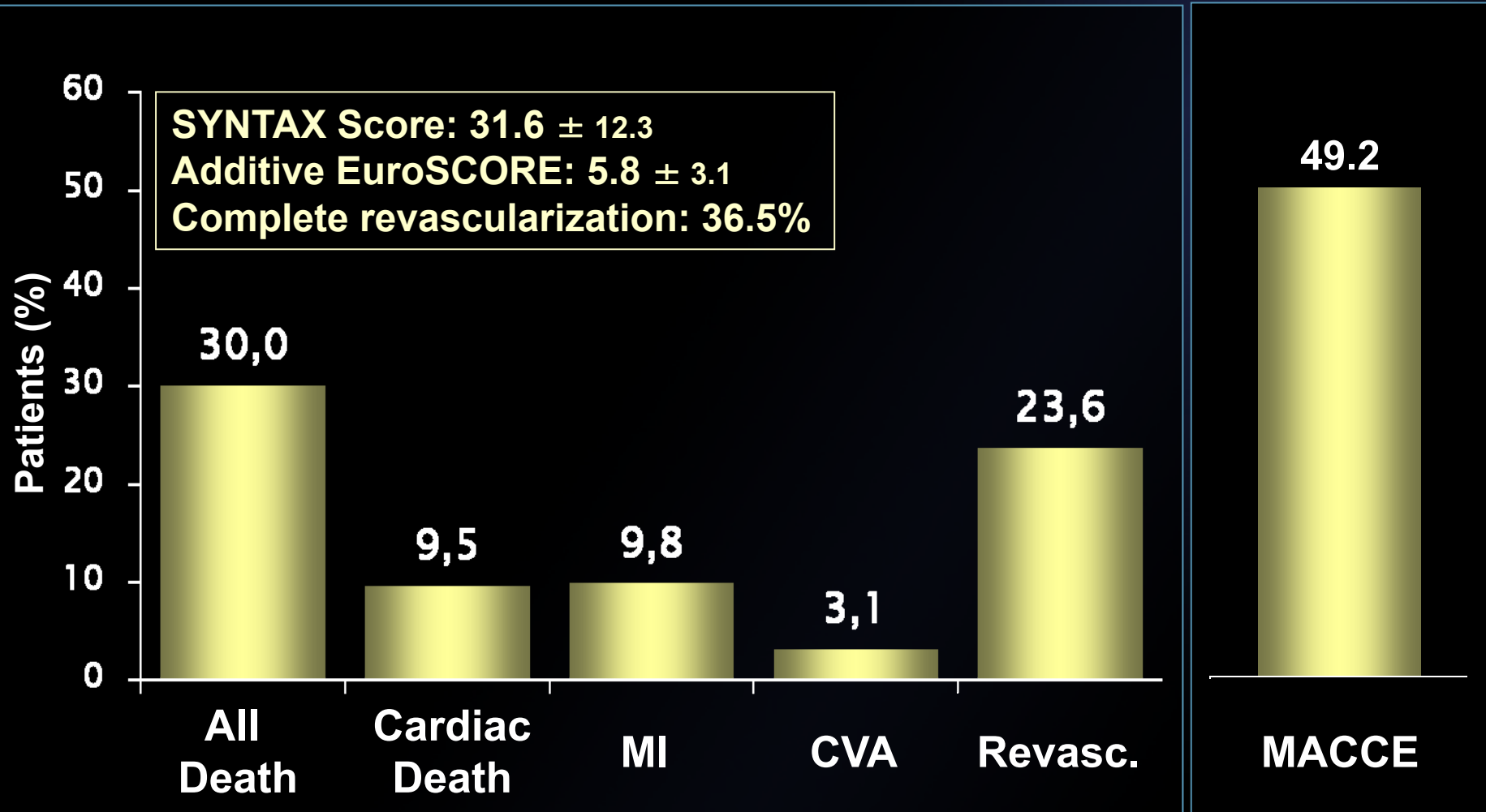


MACCE to 5 Years

SYNTAX PCI Registry



■ PCI Registry (n=192)

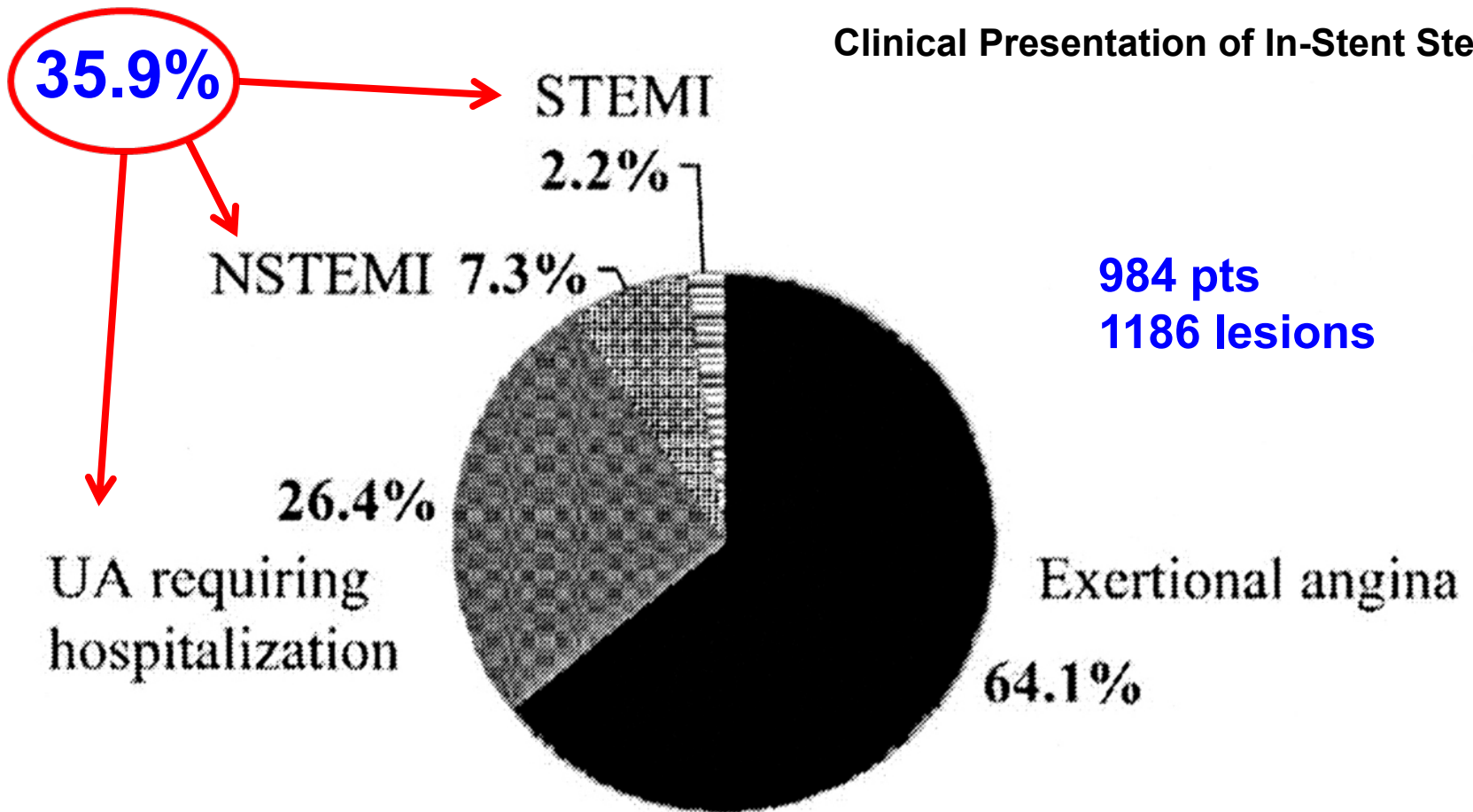


**What's the big deal about
Re-stenosis?**

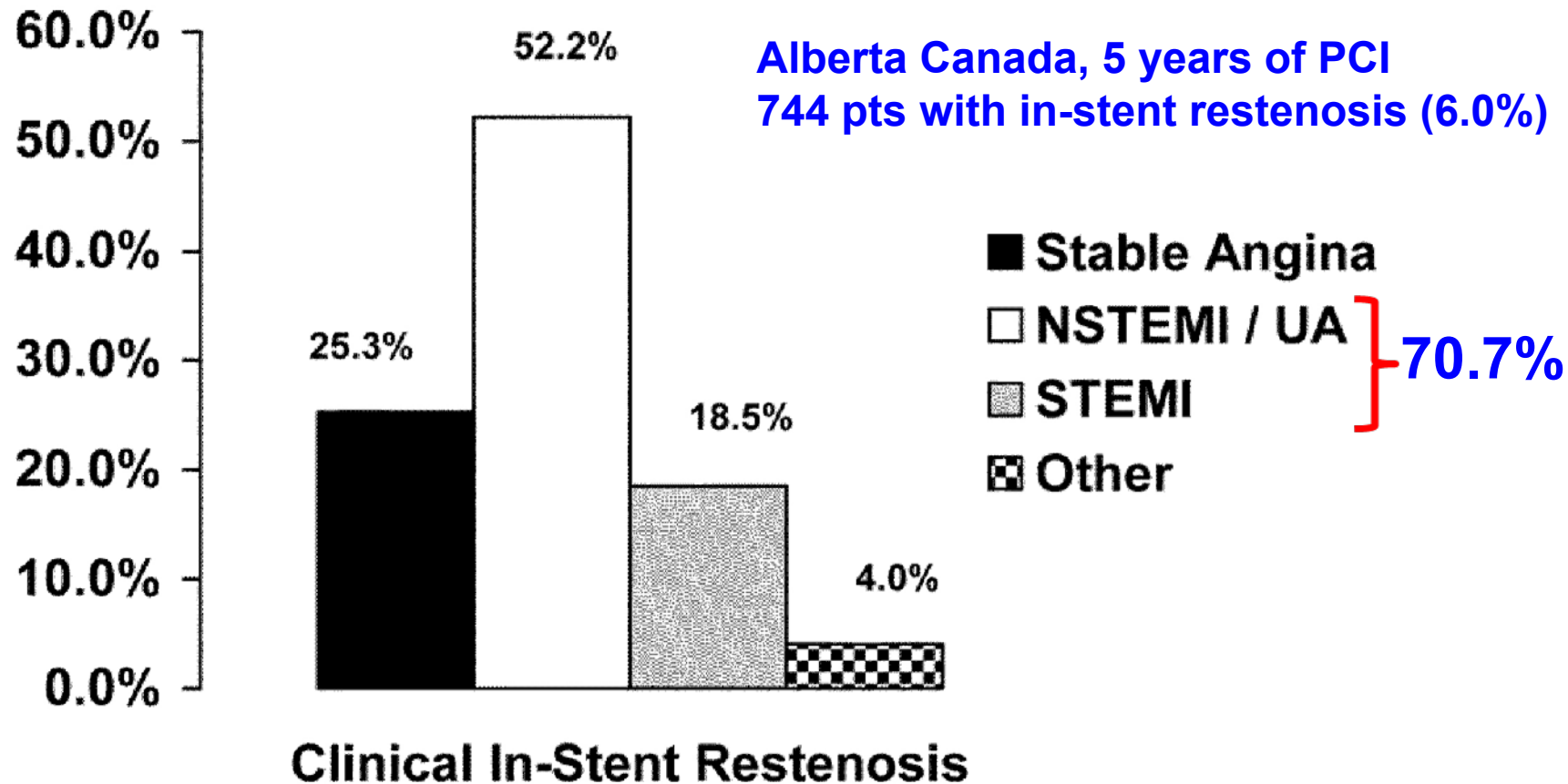
Just do PCI again!

Is In-stent Re-stenosis Benign?

Clinical Presentation of In-Stent Stenosis



Is In-stent Restenosis Benign?



Patient presentation with clinical ISR ($n=744$)

Treatment of DES Re-stenosis

- PCI for DES re-stenosis
 - 24 pts
 - 82% had BMS
 - F/U 1 year
 - 23% re-re-stenosis

“...secondary failure rate *only* 23%....”

Moussa et al, Am J Cardiol 2006;97:1582-84

Treatment of DES In-Stent Re-stenosis

Quantitative coronary angiographic data

Variable	Same DES	Different DES	P
Preprocedure	107	94	
RVD (mm)	3.04 ± 1.04	2.81 ± 0.62	
MLD (mm)	0.98 ± 0.55	0.86 ± 0.55	
DS (%)	67.3 ± 13.8	70.1 ± 17.2	
Lesion length (mm)	12.9 ± 9.6	11.7 ± 7.4	
Postprocedure			
RVD (mm)	3.26 ± 0.54	3.16 ± 0.51	.19
MLD (mm)	2.86 ± 0.54	2.77 ± 0.53	.22
DS (%)	12.4 ± 7.7	12.3 ± 8.4	.88
Follow-up	72	66	
RVD (mm)	3.09 ± 0.46	3.1 ± 0.58	.95
MLD (mm)	2.2 ± 0.89	2.0 ± 1.1	.32
DS (%)	29.6 ± 25	37.1 ± 30	.18
Restenosis	26.4% (19)	25.8% (17)	1.0

DES ISR
201 lesions
174 pts
Angio at 9 mos
in 70%

Data are presented as percentages and absolute numbers or means and SD. RVD, Reference vessel diameter; MLD, minimal lumen diameter; DS, diameter stenosis.

Outcomes of PCI to treat In-Stent Re-stenosis or Thrombosis

Kaplan-Meier Estimates	Overall (n = 92)	Homo-Stents (n = 59)	Hetero-Stents (n = 18)	Other (n = 15)
6 Month	Percent of Patients (95% CI)			
Death	4.4 (1.7-11.3)	3.4 (0.9-12.9)	5.9 (0.9-35.0)	6.7 (0.9-38.7)
Myocardial infarction	0	0	0	0
Target lesion revascularization†	9.7 (5.3-17.3)	8.1 (3.4-18.3)	14.3 (4.8-38.0)	10.0 (2.6-34.4)
All MACE, % of patients (95% CI)	12.7 (7.2-21.7)	9.1 (3.9-20.6)	17.6 (6.1-45.3)	21.0 (7.3-52.1)
12 Month	Percent of Patients (95% CI)			
Death	6.7 (3.1-14.3)	6.8 (2.6-17.2)	5.9 (0.9-35.0)	6.7 (0.9-38.7)
Myocardial infarction	2.4 (0.3-16.1)	0	0	20.0 (3.1-79.6)
Target lesion revascularization†	28.2 (20.4-38.2)	28.5 (18.8-42.0)	19.0 (7.6-43.1)	36.5 (19.3-62.0)
All MACE, % of patients (95% CI)	42.9 (31.5-56.4)	43.0 (29.5-59.5)	25.1 (10.1-54.4)	76.3 (38.1-98.7)

All differences among study groups are statistically non-significant. *Three patients underwent 2 separate procedures for in-stent restenosis of different lesions; †total number of lesions = 108.

CI = confidence interval; MACE = major adverse cardiac events.

12 months:
6.7% Death
28.2% TLR
MACE 42.9%

Consequences of Re-Re-stenosis

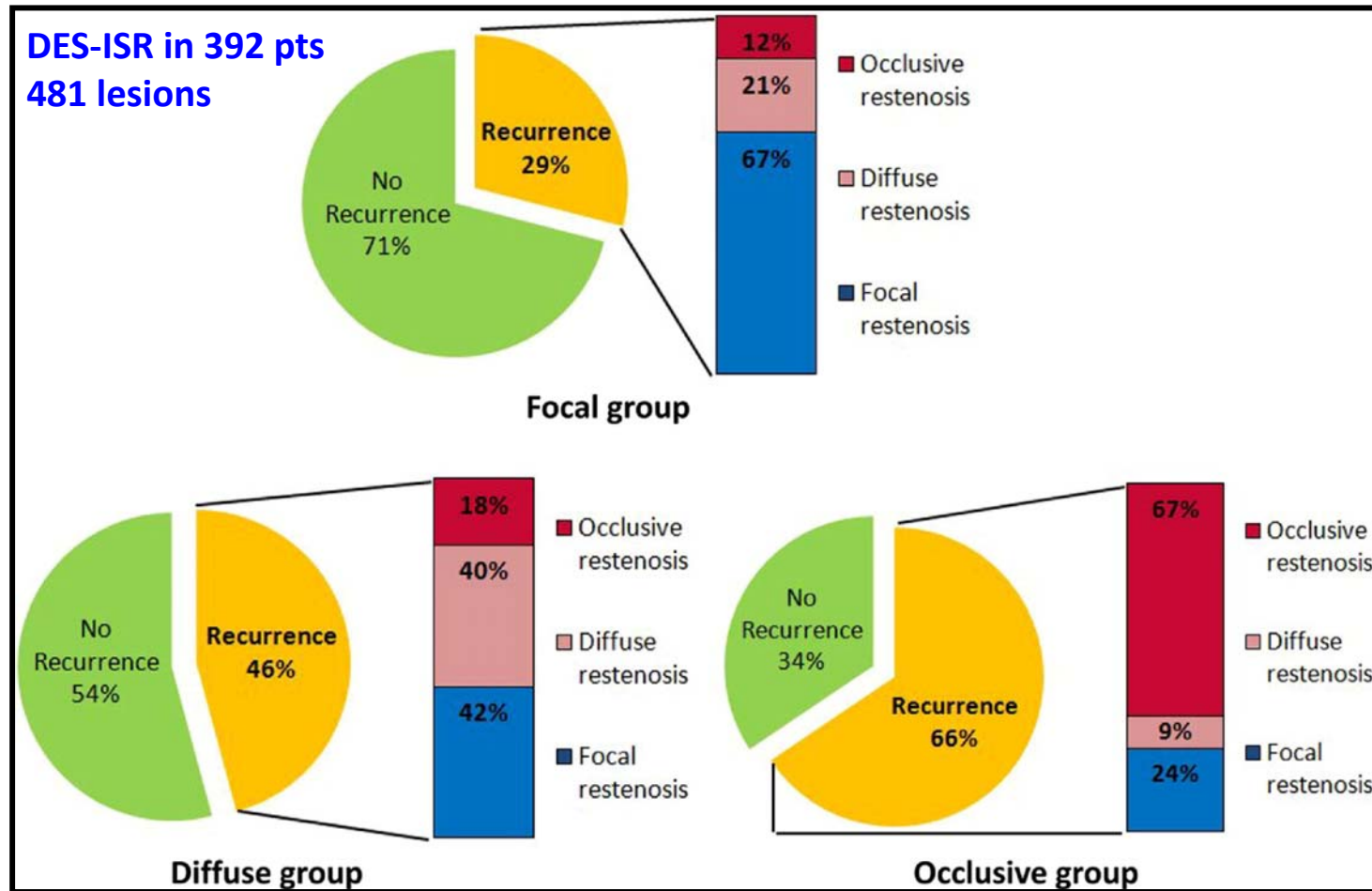
Clinical Outcomes at 2 Years after PCI for SES

114 pts with restenosis
101 treated and restudied

Restenosis

Total number of patients	101
MI (%)	4 (3.9)
SAT (%)	0 (0)
LST (%)	0 (0)
CHF (%)	2 (2.0)
TLR (%)	36 (35.6)
PCI (%)	34 (33.7)
CABG (%)	2 (1.9)
Death (%)	8 (7.9)
Noncardiac (%)	4 (3.9)
Cardiac (%)	4 (3.9)
Total MACE (%)	44 (43.5)

Outcomes After PCI for DES-ISR According to Initial Pattern of Restenosis



Patterns of Recurrent Angiographic Restenosis According to the Initial Pattern of Restenosis. For each of the initial patterns of restenosis, the rate of recurrent restenosis after treatment of DES-ISR is shown as a pie chart with the pattern of recurrence in the bar graph.

Impact of Stenosis after PCI on Survival

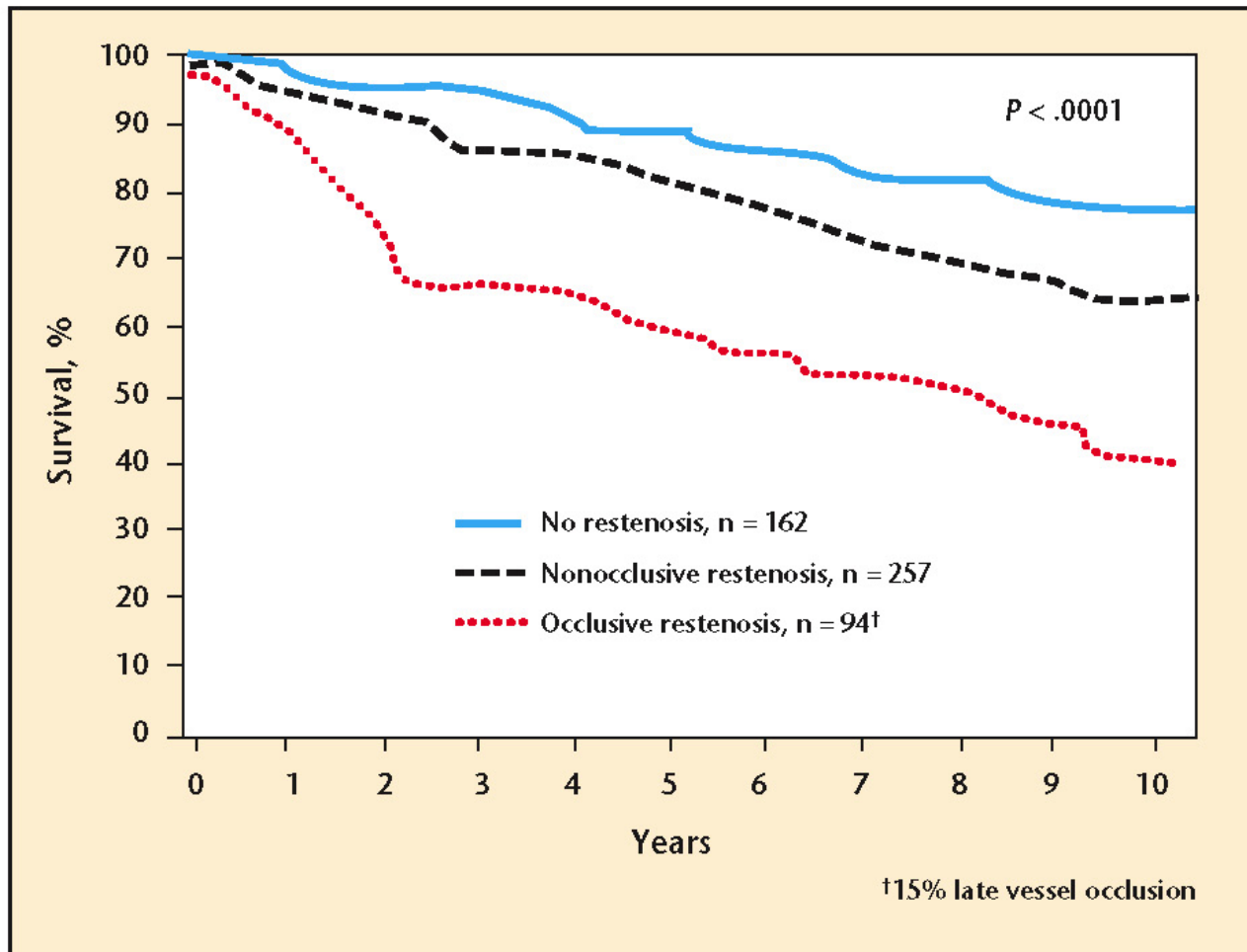


Figure 3. Survival at late follow-up (mean 6.5 ± 2.4 yrs [SD]) by vessel patency following percutaneous coronary intervention. Survival is reduced in patients who have occlusive restenosis, which was observed in 15% of the total population. Both restenosis and occlusive restenosis were increased in diabetic patients. SD, standard deviation. Reproduced with permission from Van Belle et al.²²

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2012 Appropriate Use Criteria for Coronary Revascularization: Focused Update

Indication		Appropriate Use Score (1–9)	
		PCI	CABG
62.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two-vessel CAD with proximal LAD stenosis 	A (7)	A (8)
63.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three-vessel CAD with low CAD burden (ie, 3 focal stenoses, low SYNTAX score) 	A (7)	A (9)
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65.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated left main stenosis 	U (6)	A (9)
66.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Left main stenosis and additional CAD with low CAD burden (ie, 1- to 2-vessel additional involvement, low SYNTAX score) 	U (5)	A (9)
67.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Left main stenosis and additional CAD with intermediate to high CAD burden (ie, 3-vessel involvement, presence of CTO, or high SYNTAX score) 	I (3)	A (9)
68.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior bypass surgery with native 3-vessel disease and failure of multiple bypass grafts LIMA remains patent to a native coronary artery Depressed LVEF 	U (6)	A (7)
69.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior bypass surgery with native 3-vessel disease and failure of multiple bypass grafts LIMA was used as a graft but is no longer functional Depressed LVEF 	A (8)	U (6)

Blue shading: New and updated indications

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	CABG		PCI
Two-vessel CAD with proximal LAD stenosis	A		A
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Three-vessel CAD with intermediate to high CAD burden (i.e., multiple diffuse lesions, presence of CTO, or high SYNTAX score)	A		U
Isolated left main stenosis	A		U
Left main stenosis and additional CAD with low CAD burden (i.e., one to two vessel additional involvement, low SYNTAX score)	A		U
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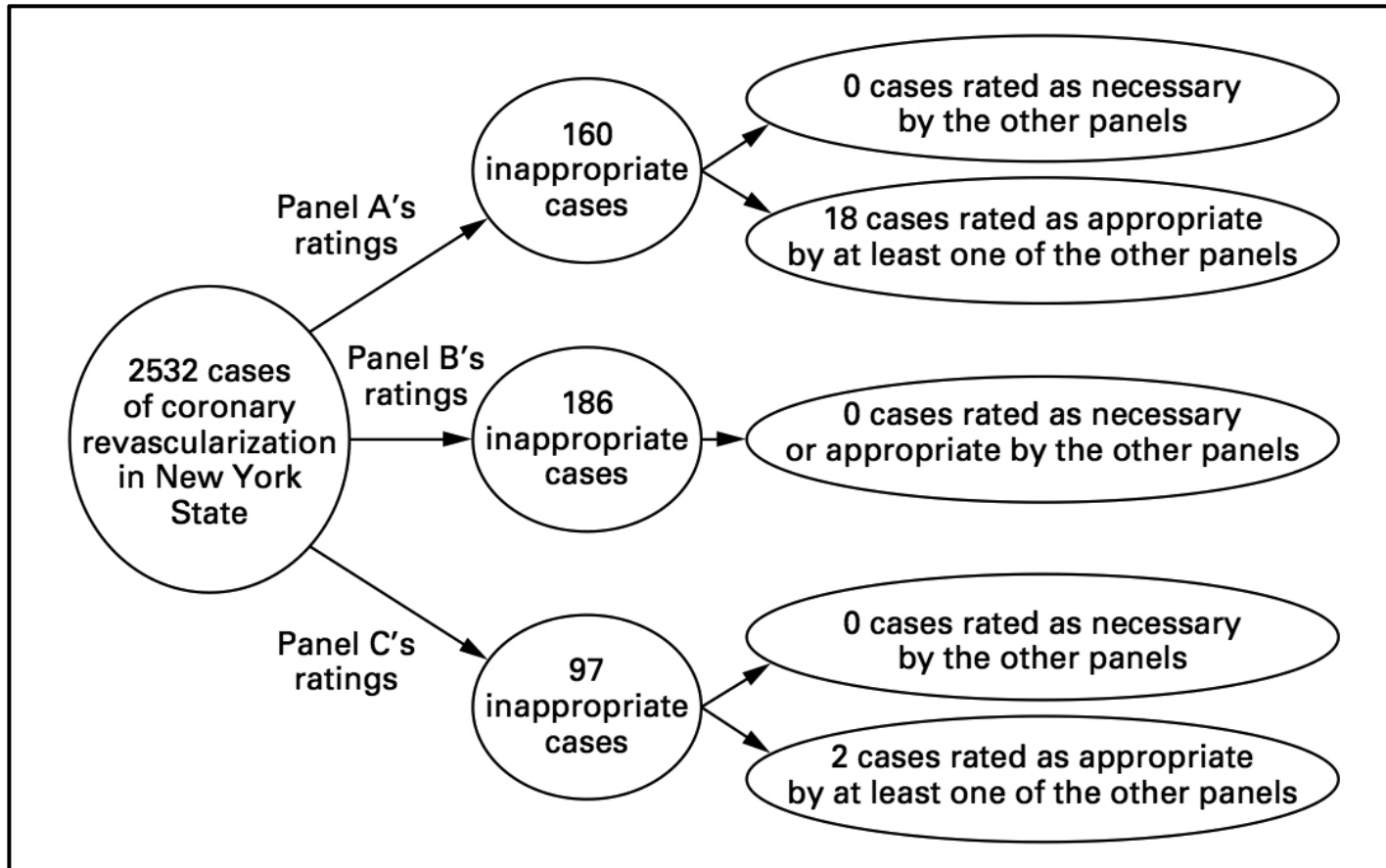
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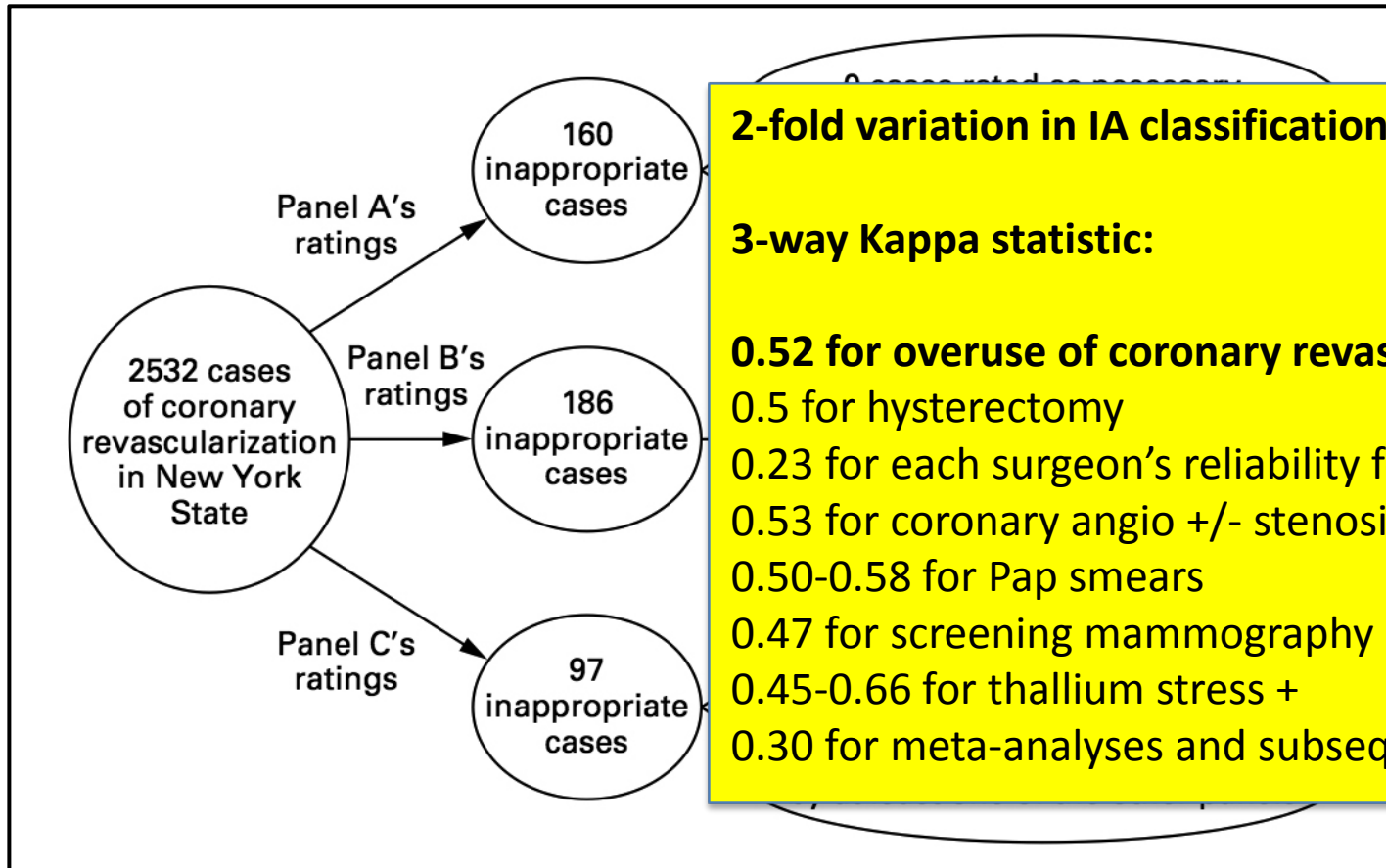
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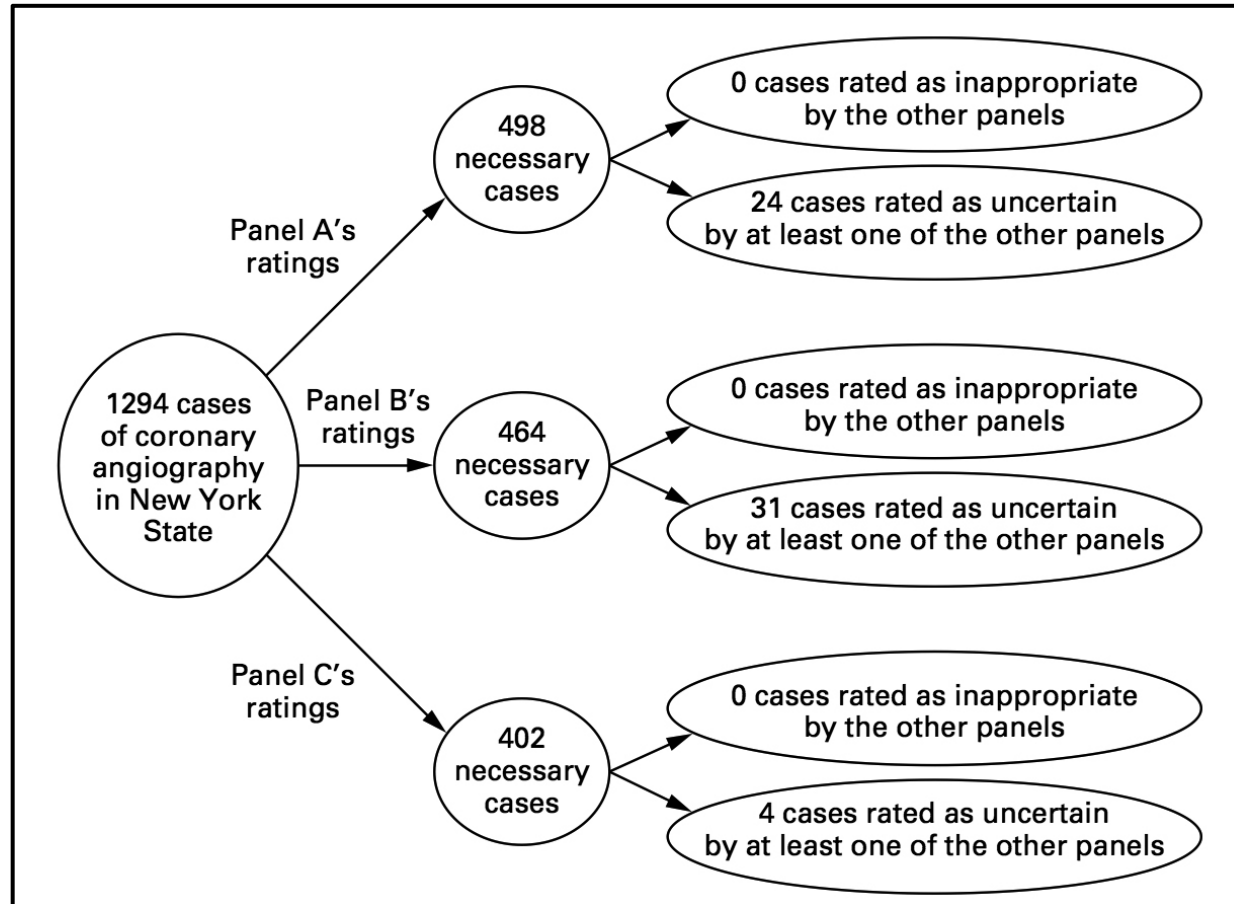
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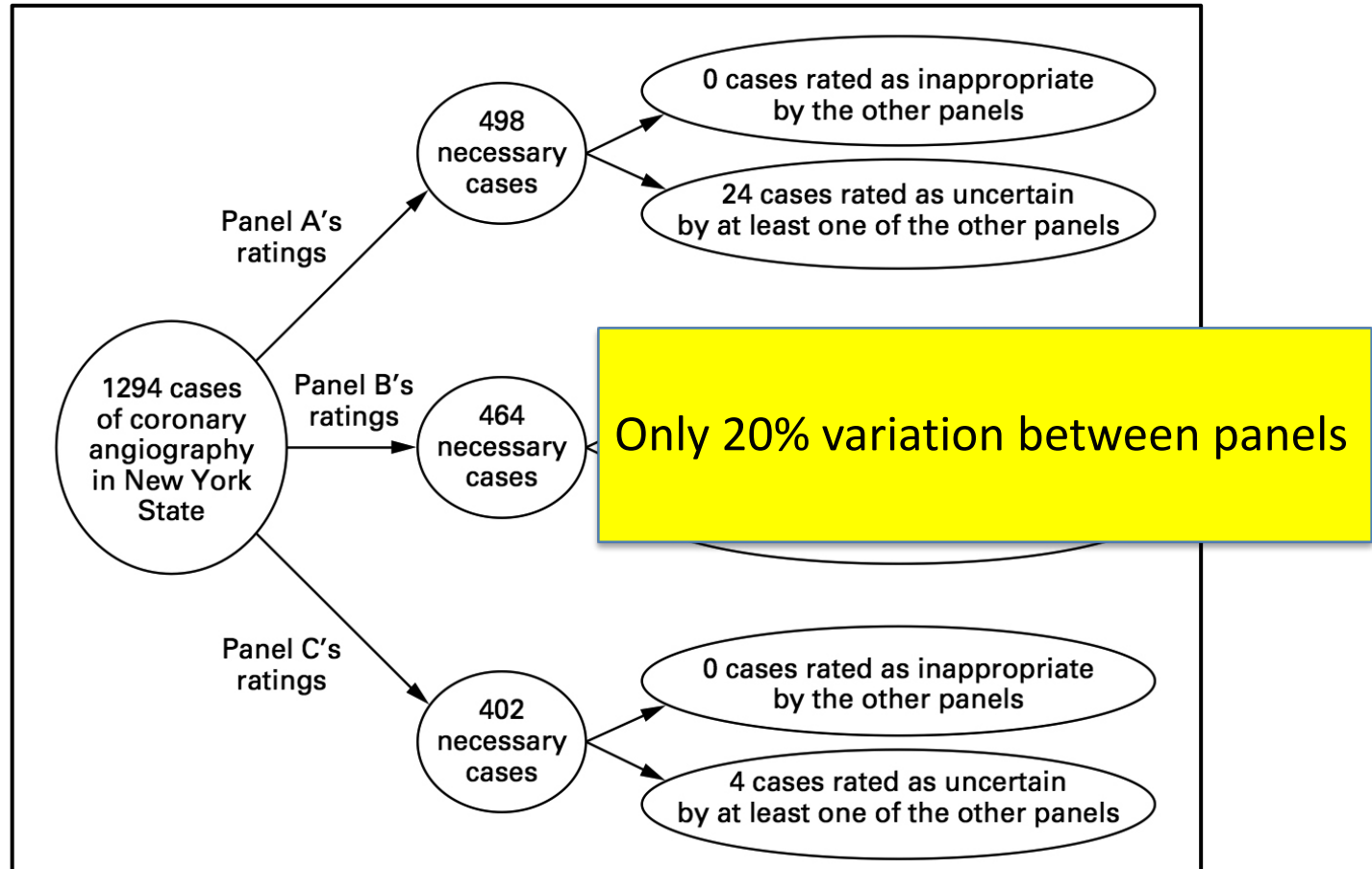
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Appropriateness of Referral for Coronary Revascularization in Sweden in 1994

By treatment for which they were referred

<i>Referral</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>Appropriateness of coronary revascularisation (%)</i>			
		<i>Appropriate and necessary</i>	<i>Appropriate</i>	<i>Uncertain</i>	<i>Inappropriate</i>
CABG	1387	77.6	0.4	12.3	9.7
PTCA	687	21.3	10.5	30.0	38.3
Medical*	693	8.2	—	—	—

**For patients referred for continued medical therapy we only determined the necessity of undergoing coronary revascularization.*

2767 consecutive patients

50% referred for CABG

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By procedure and clinical indication

<i>Indication</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>Appropriateness (%)</i>			
		<i>Appropriate and necessary</i>	<i>Appropriate</i>	<i>Uncertain</i>	<i>Inappropriate</i>
CABG					
Asymptomatic	28	64.3	0	21.4	14.3
Chronic stable angina	1038	78.3	0	13.2	8.5
Unstable angina	204	73.0	0	10.3	16.7
Postmyocardial infarction	117	82.1	5.1	6.0	6.8
PTCA					
Asymptomatic	9	0	0	44.4	55.6
Chronic stable angina	447	12.3	13.2	37.8	36.7
Unstable angina	150	24.7	6.7	12.7	56.0
Postmyocardial infarction	81	66.7	3.7	17.3	12.4

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S J Bernstein, et al.; Heart 1999; 81:470–477

Appropriateness of Referral for CABG and PCI: Multinational vs Dutch Criteria

Chronic Stable Angina

Procedure	Criteria	Appropriateness rating [% (95% CI)]		
		Inappropriate	Uncertain	Appropriate
PTCA	Dutch	34.8 (31.7–37.9)	35.6 (32.5–38.7)	29.6 (26.6–32.6)
	Multinational	6.1 (4.5–7.6)	24.1 (21.2–26.9)	69.8 (66.8–72.8)
CABG	Dutch	3.7 (2.6–4.9)	13.2 (11.1–15.3)	83.0 (80.7–85.3)
	Multinational	1.5 (0.7–2.2)	9.9 (8.1–11.7)	88.6 (86.7–90.6)

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Following Recent MI

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PTCA	Dutch	28.1 (22.3–33.9)	40.9 (34.5–47.2)	31.1 (25.1–37.0)
	Multinational	0.9 (0.0–2.0)	23.8 (18.3–29.3)	75.3 (69.7–80.9)
CABG	Dutch	3.9 (1.2–6.5)	14.6 (9.7–19.4)	81.6 (76.2–86.9)
	Multinational	2.4 (0.3–4.5)	11.1 (6.8–15.5)	86.4 (81.7–91.1)

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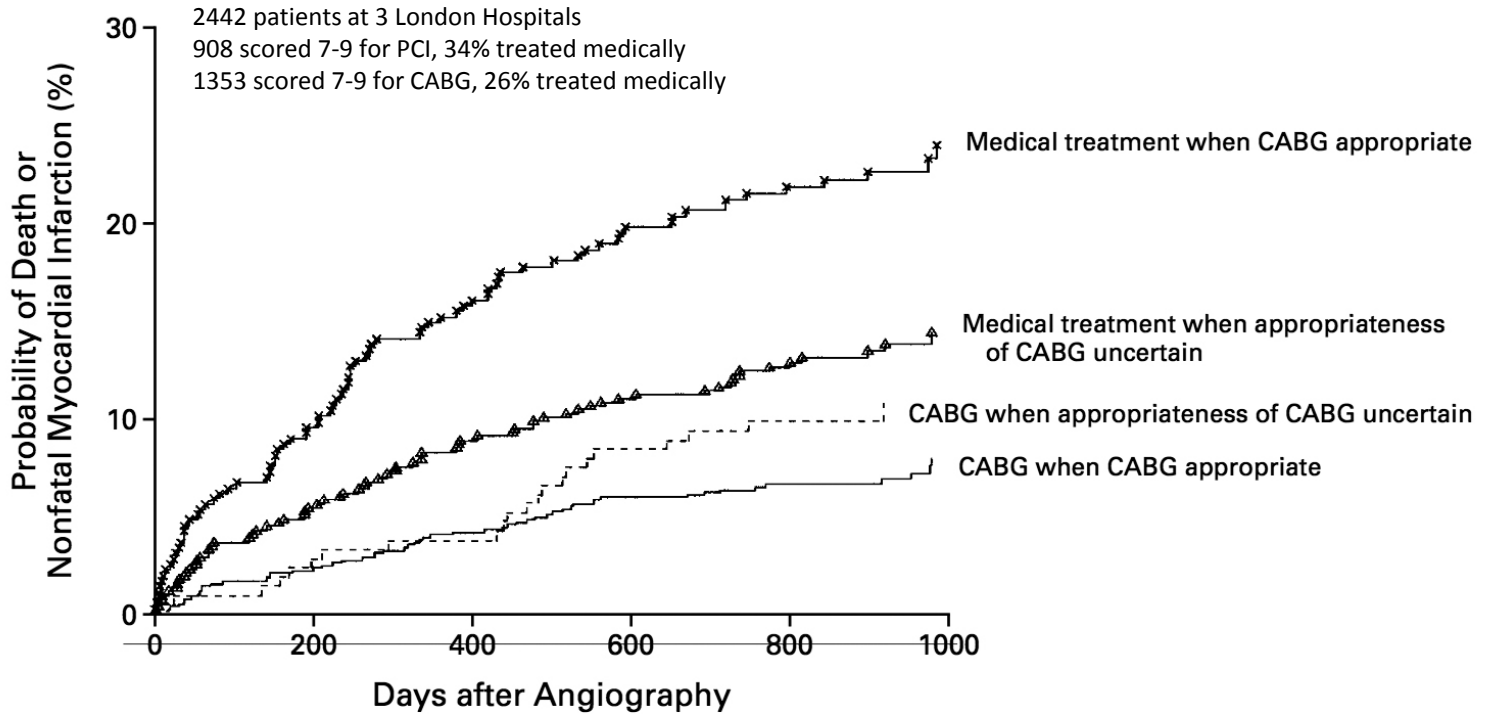
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PTCA	Dutch	6.5 (5.1–7.9)	9.2 (7.5–10.9)	84.3 (82.1–86.4)
	Multinational	5.0 (3.7–6.3)	24.0 (21.5–26.5)	71.0 (68.3–73.6)
CABG	Dutch	2.1 (1.3–2.9)	7.6 (6.1–9.1)	90.3 (88.6–92.0)
	Multinational	1.6 (0.9–2.3)	10.1 (8.4–11.8)	88.2 (86.4–90.1)

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Consequences of Medical Treatment when CABG Appropriate



No. AT RISK

Medical treatment

CABG appropriate (x)	354	320	297	283	240	92
CABG uncertain (Δ)	514	486	468	457	366	118

CABG

CABG uncertain (- -)	213	206	204	194	162	51
CABG appropriate (—)	765	747	733	719	584	198

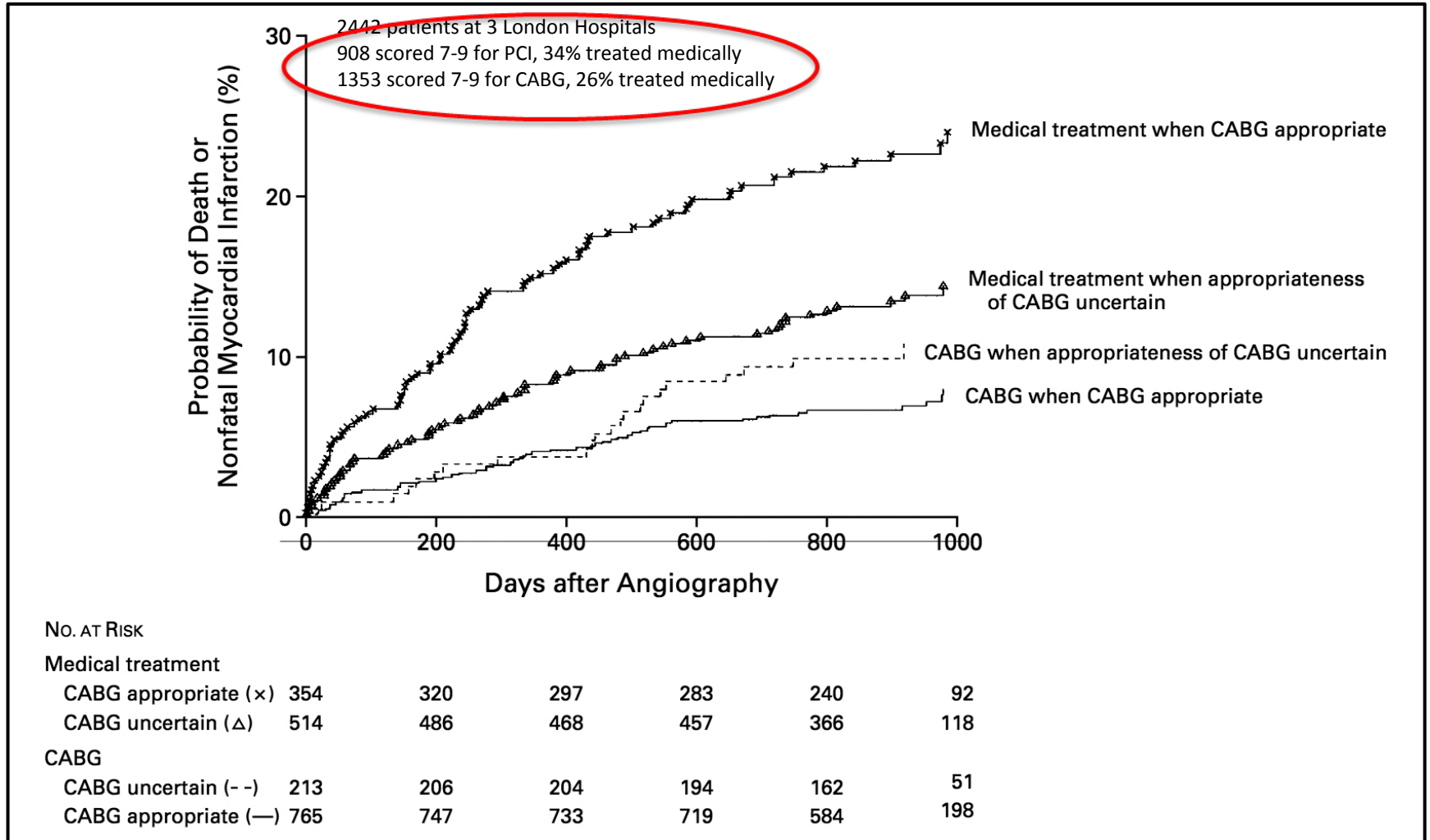
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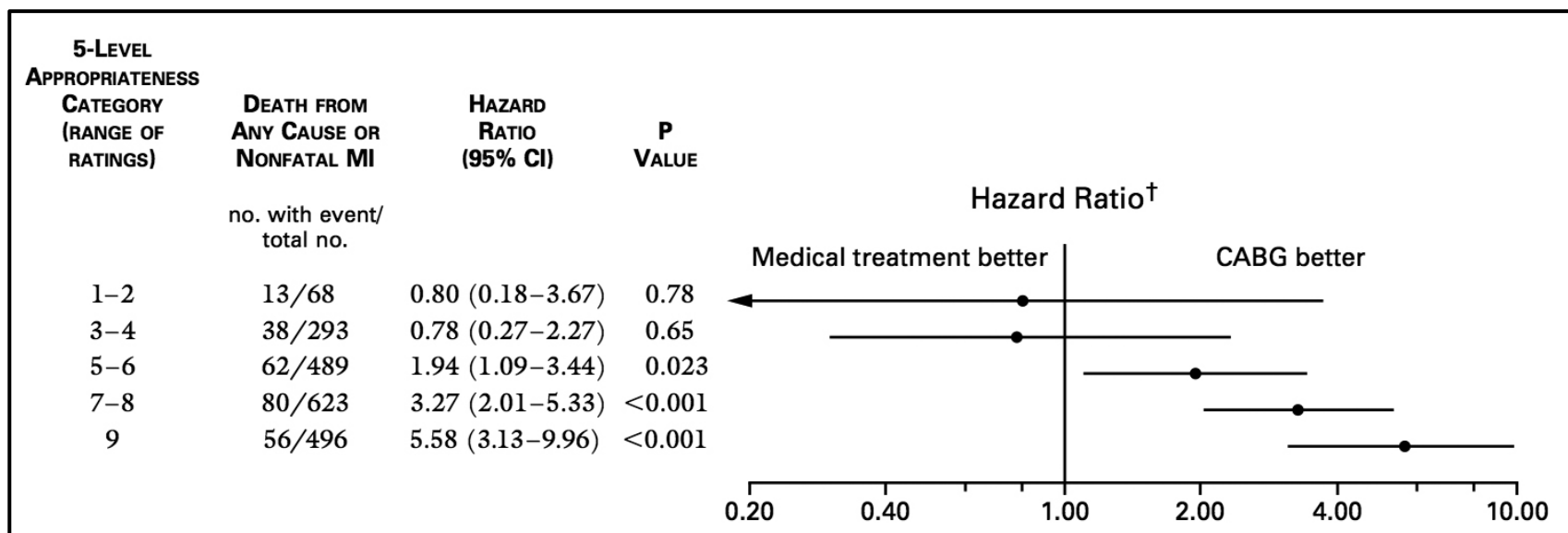
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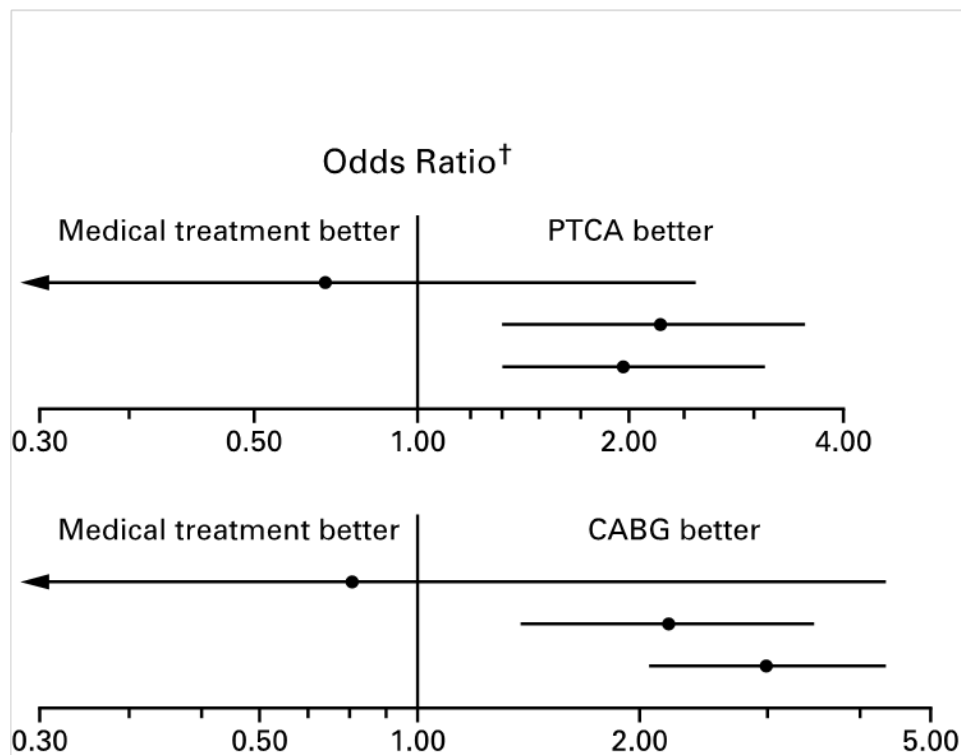
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APPROPRIATENESS CATEGORY	ANGINA AT FOLLOW-UP		ODDS RATIO (95% CI)
	MEDICAL TREATMENT	REVASCULAR- IZATION	
	no. with angina/total no.		
PTCA			
Inappropriate	56/110	9/14	0.73 (0.22–2.42)
Uncertain	172/317	67/142	2.15 (1.34–3.44)
Appropriate	143/205	114/210	1.97 (1.29–3.00)
CABG			
Inappropriate	49/70	6/8	0.82 (0.15–4.40)
Uncertain	189/348	60/136	2.23 (1.40–3.55)
Appropriate	137/208	213/547	3.03 (2.08–4.42)



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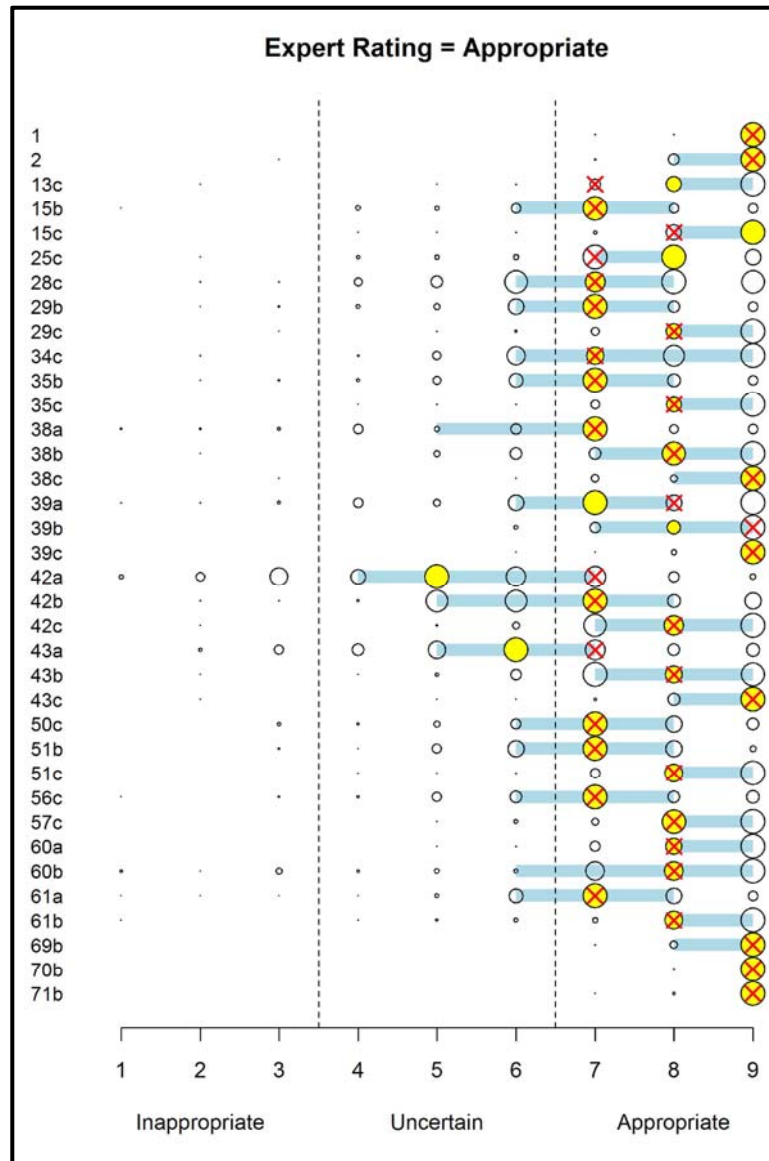
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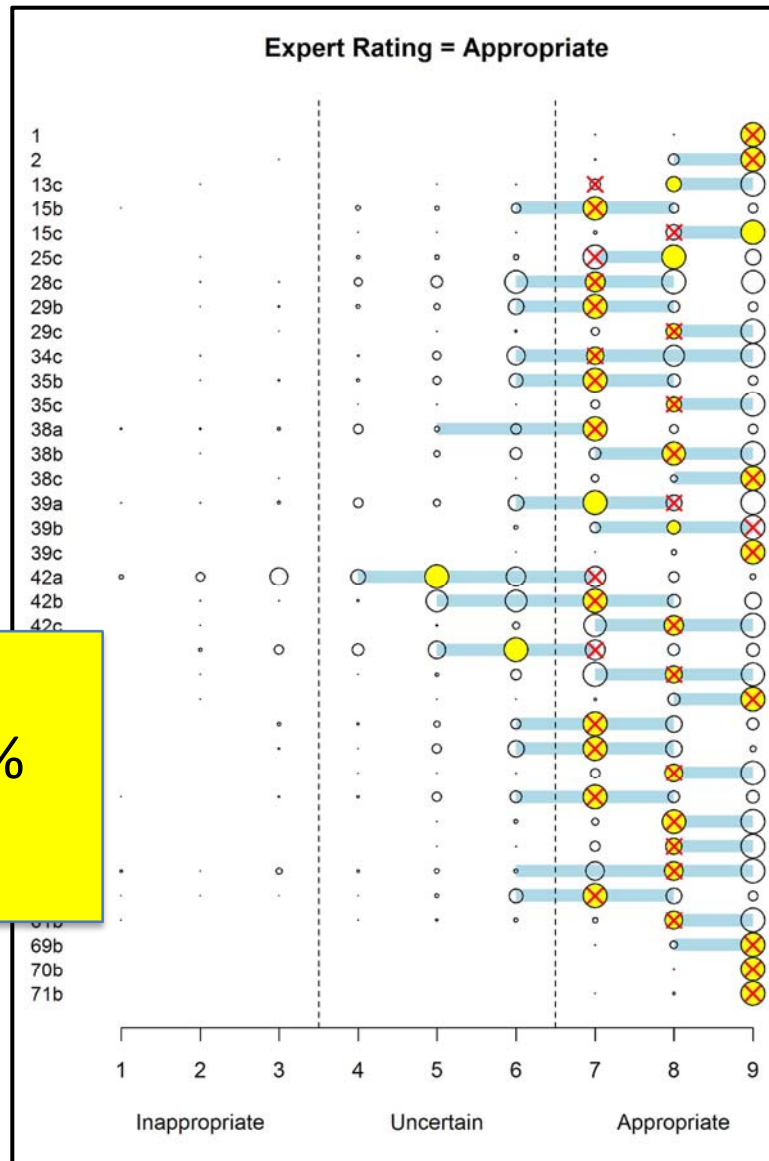
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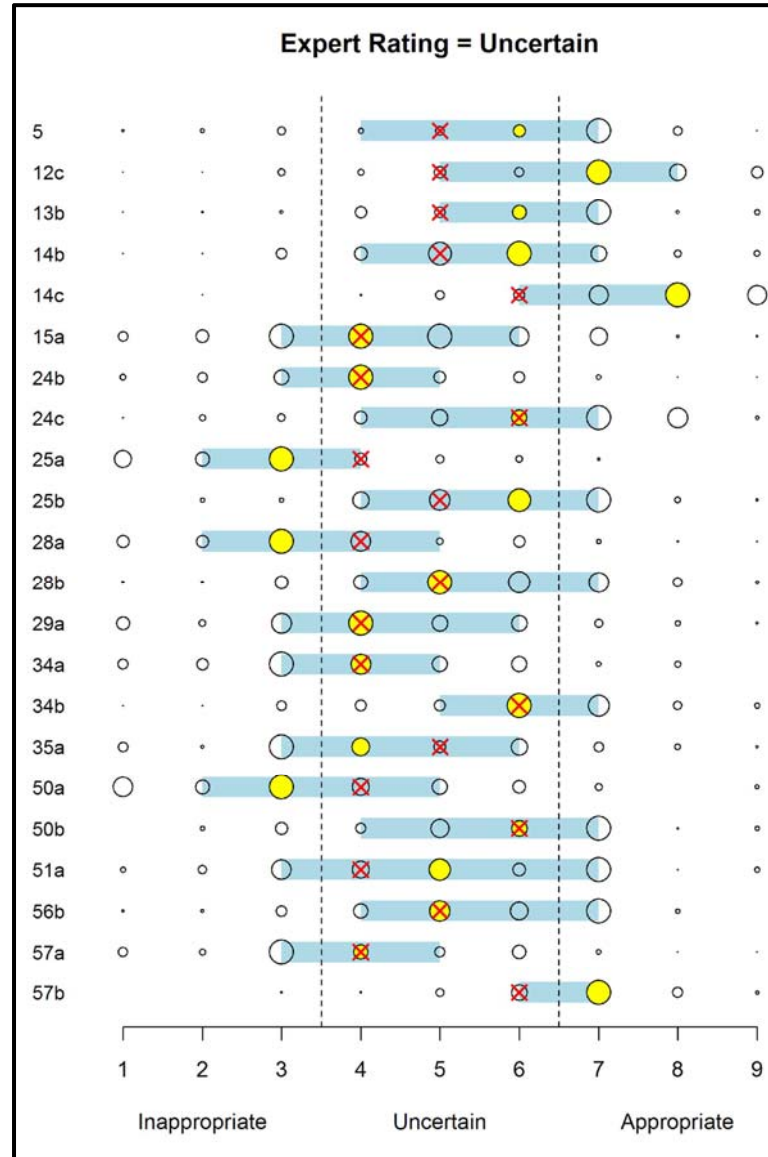


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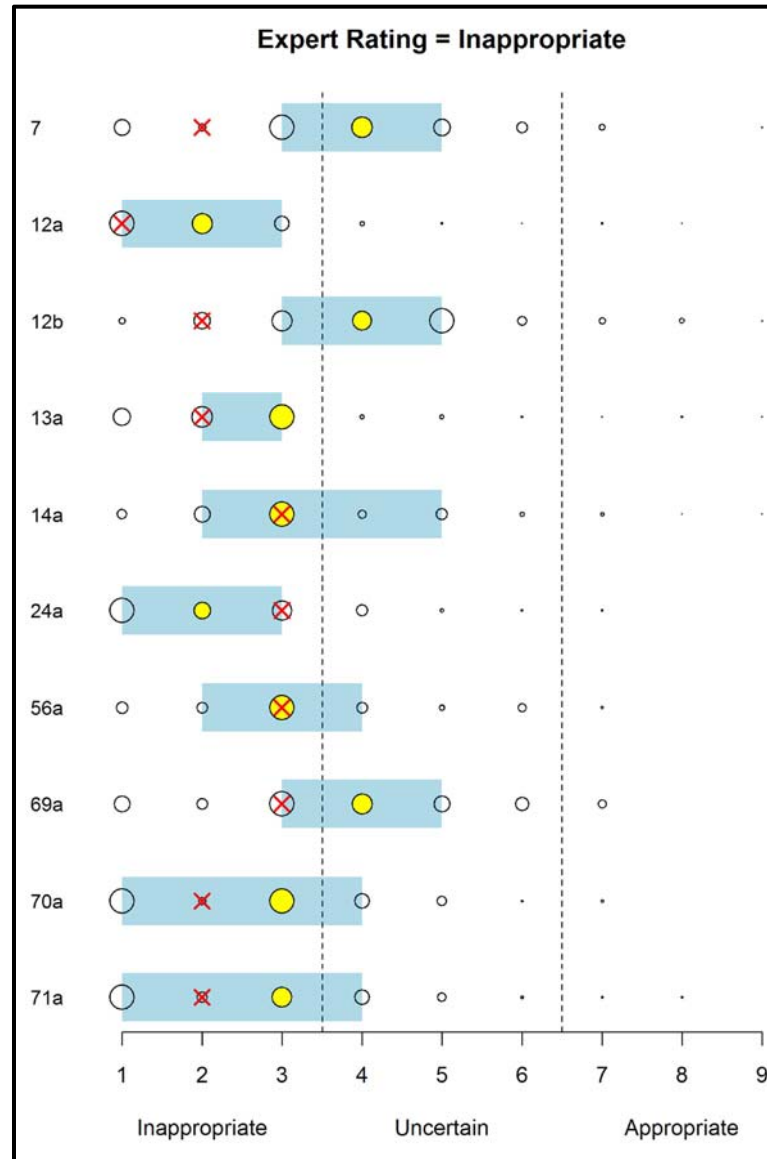
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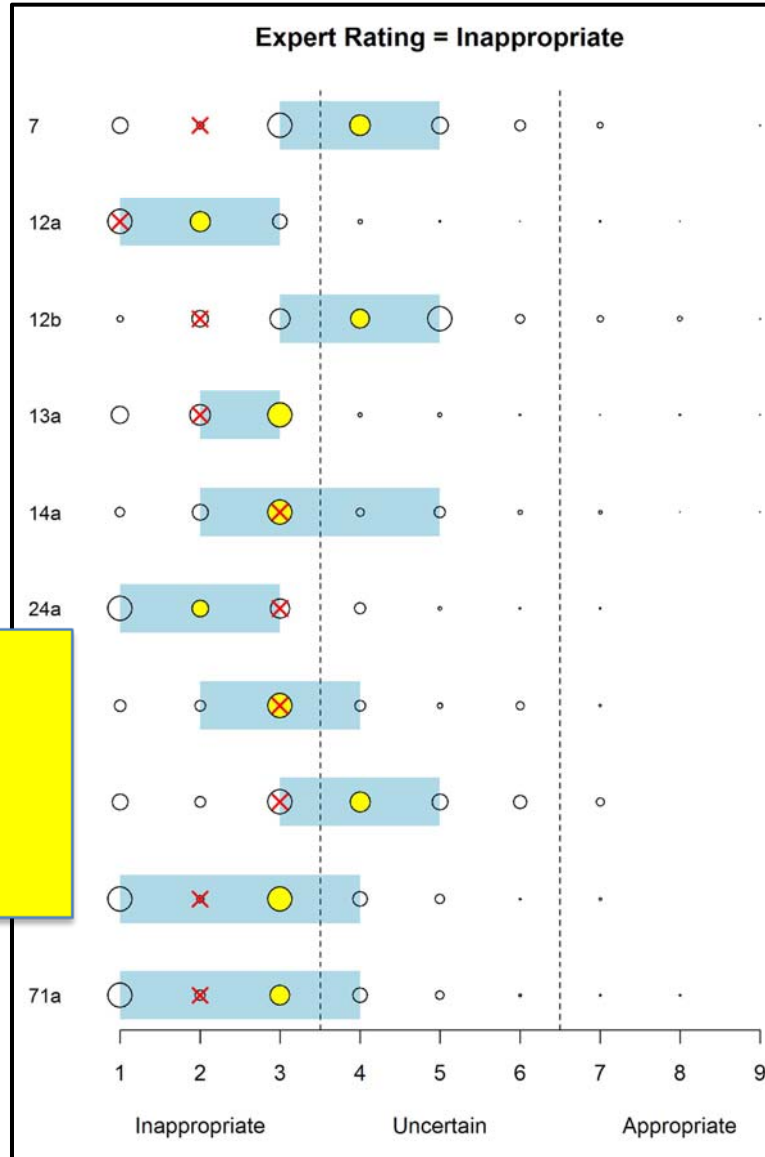
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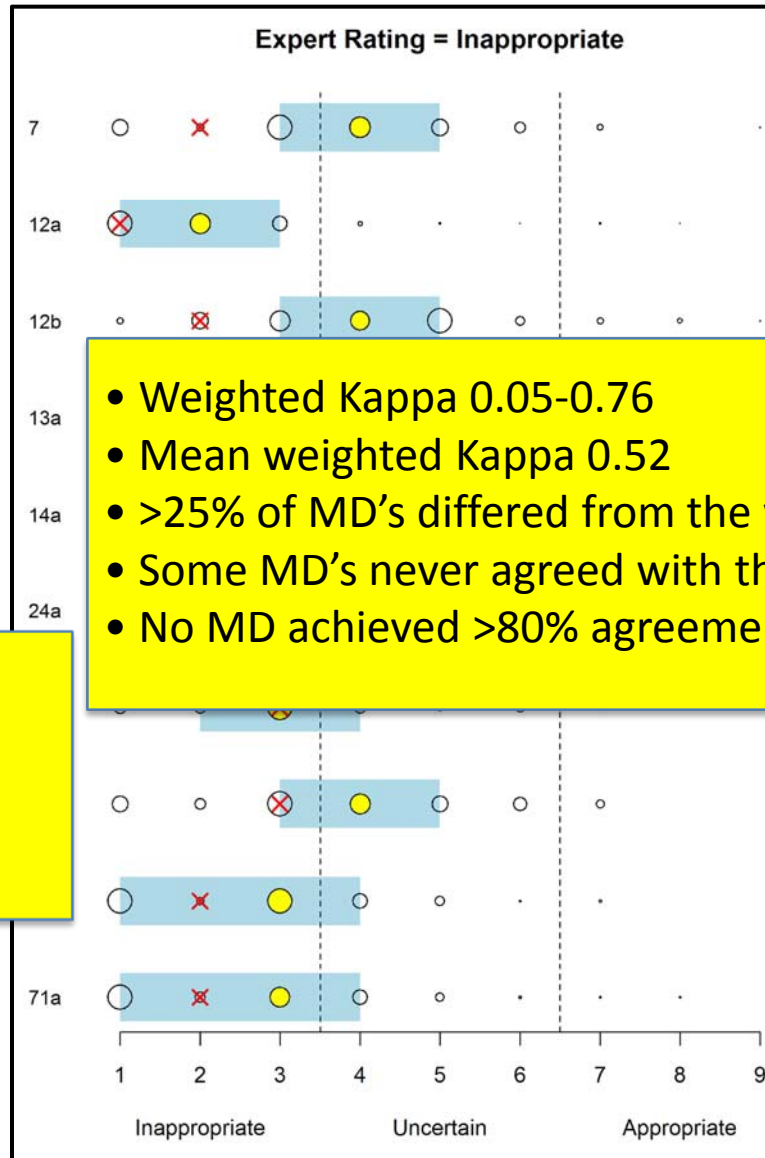
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- No MD achieved >80% agreement with the Technical Panel

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Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in New York State

18 mos (2009-2010)
2009 AUC applied

Case Description	Procedure Performed	
	CABG	PCI
Total cases reported	14,519	81,407
Eligible cases—no ACS, no previous CABG (% of all cases reported that are eligible)	10,460 (72.04)	33,970 (41.73)
Eligible cases where rating cannot be determined	2,292	9,425
Cases rated for appropriateness of revascularization	8,168	24,545
Revascularization (CABG or PCI) is		
Appropriate	7,372 90.25%	8,856 36.08%
Inappropriate	91 1.11%	3,508 14.29%
Uncertain	705 8.63%	12,181 49.63%

Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in New York State

Most common scenarios for CABG patients rated IA or U

Rating	Anatomy	Symptoms	Stress Test	Anti-Ischemic Therapy	n (%)
Inappropriate					
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	Asymptomatic	Intermediate risk	None/minimal	51 (55.4)
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class I-II	Low risk	None/minimal	20 (21.7)
Uncertain					
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class I-II	Intermediate risk	None/minimal	113 (16.0)
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class III-IV	Intermediate risk	None/minimal	131 (18.5)
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	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	Asymptomatic	Low risk	None/minimal	488 (11.6)
Uncertain					
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class I-II	Not done	No mention	5,019 (46.3)
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class I-II	Intermediate risk	None/minimal	3,132 (28.9)
Appropriate					
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class I-II	High risk	None/minimal	1,248 (14.1)
	1-, 2-vessel non-PLAD	CCS class III-IV	Not done	No mention	1,170 (13.2)
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Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in New York State

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Scenario 19: 1- or 2-vessel disease, no PLAD, no IVUS/FFR; no noninvasive testing. Asymptomatic; AUC gives no rating	2	12
No vessels diseased (stenosis \geq50% for LM, 70% all others)	36	330
Stress test result = positive, risk unavailable	571	3,171
Noninvasive testing not done or results unknown (no high/moderate risk)	1,619	3,078

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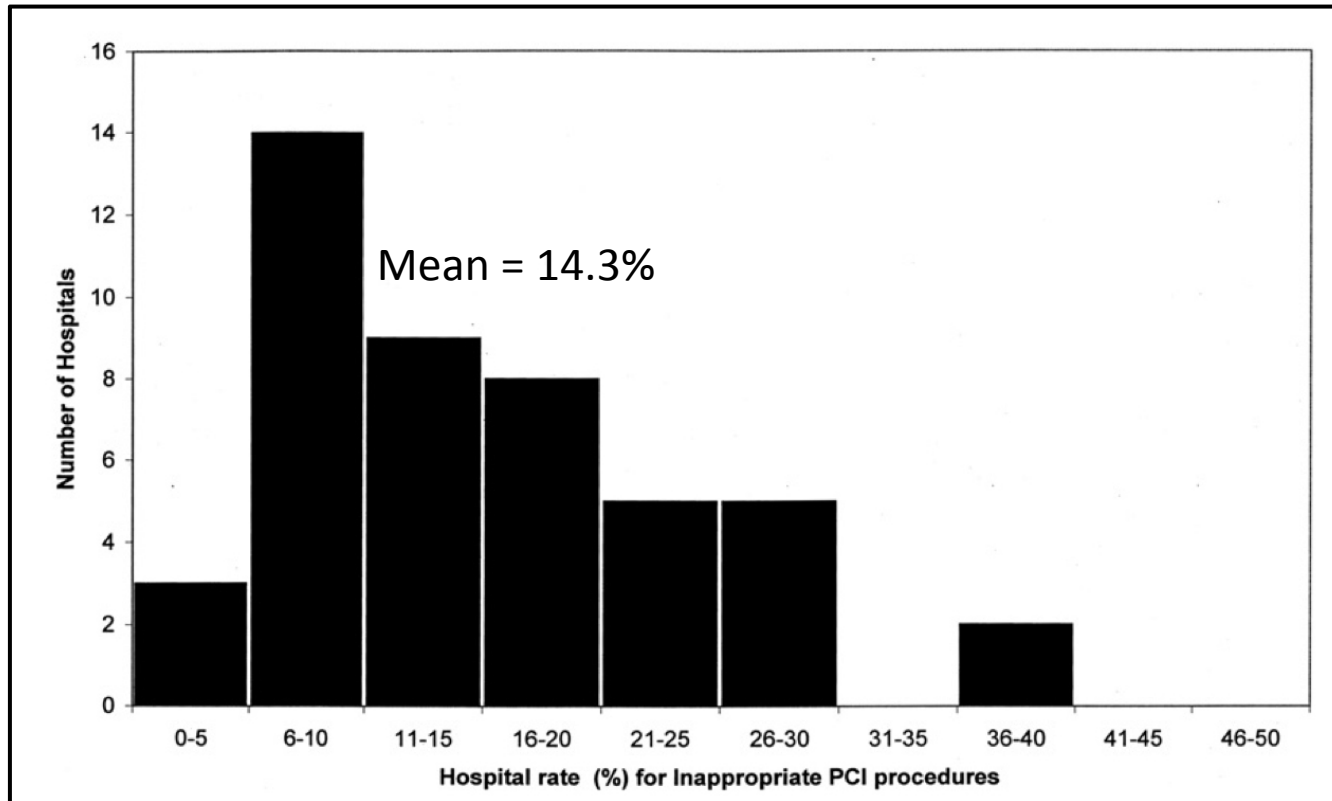
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- If added to IA cases, IA rate for PCI increases to 23.2%

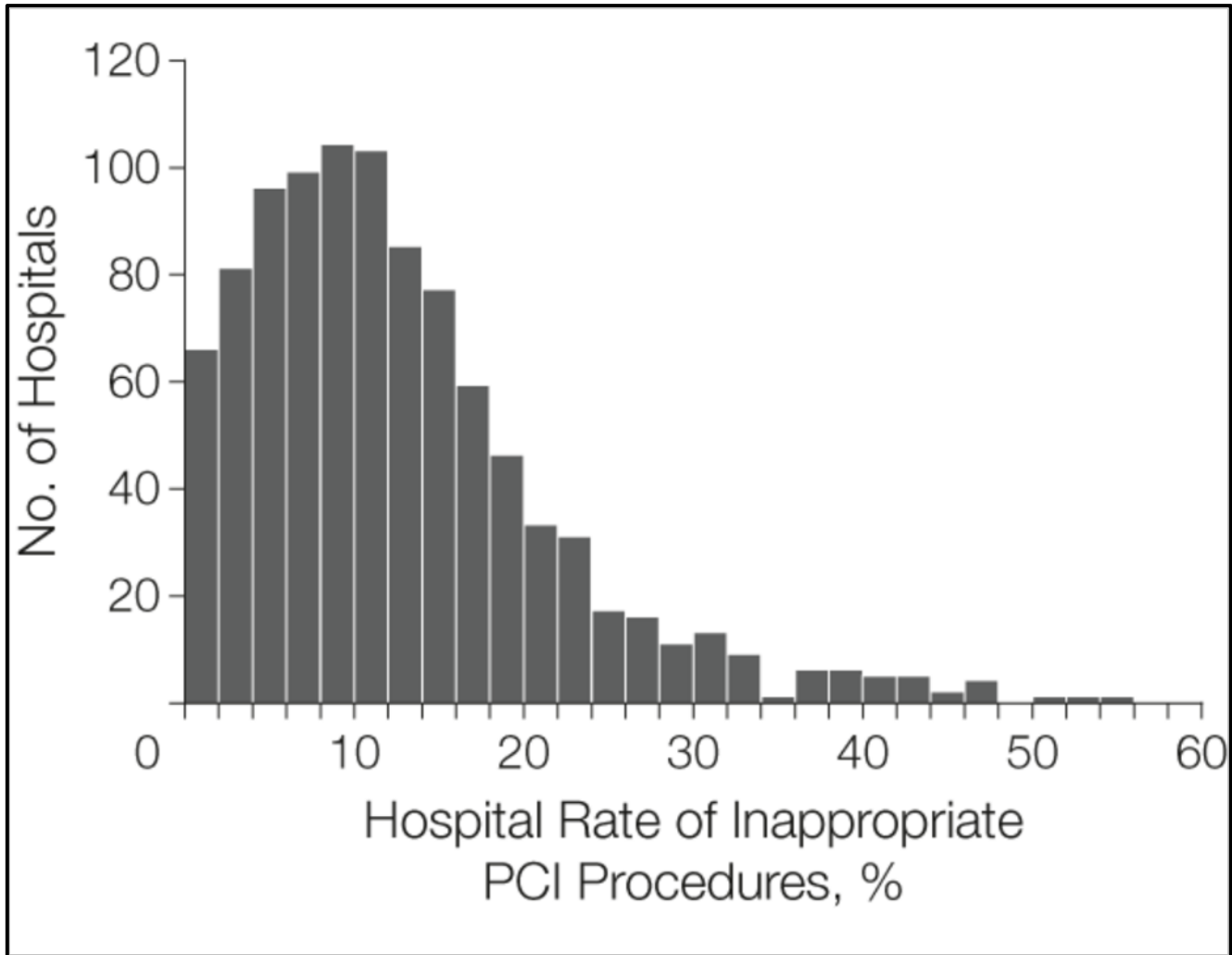
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Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in New York State



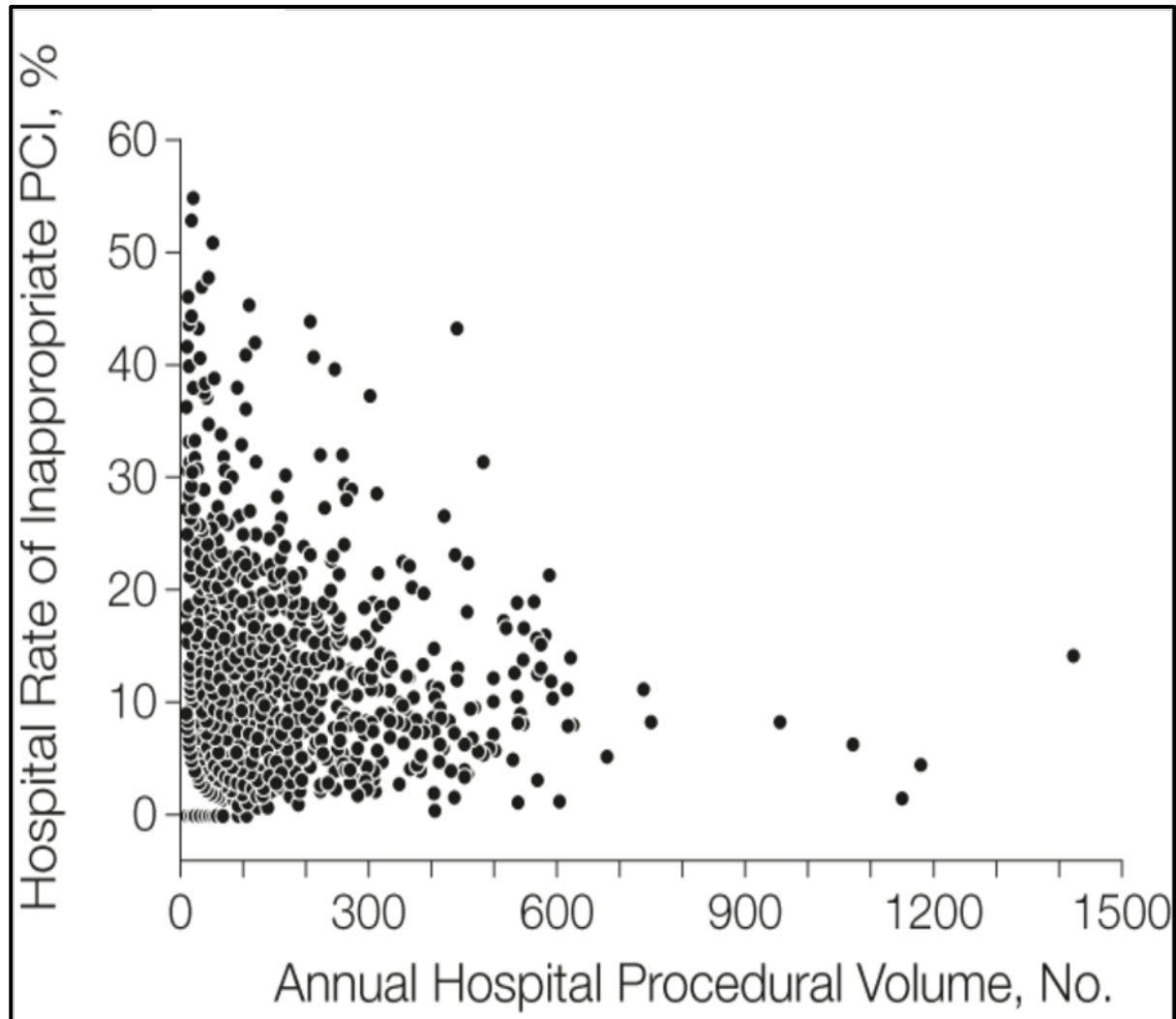
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Appropriateness of PCI



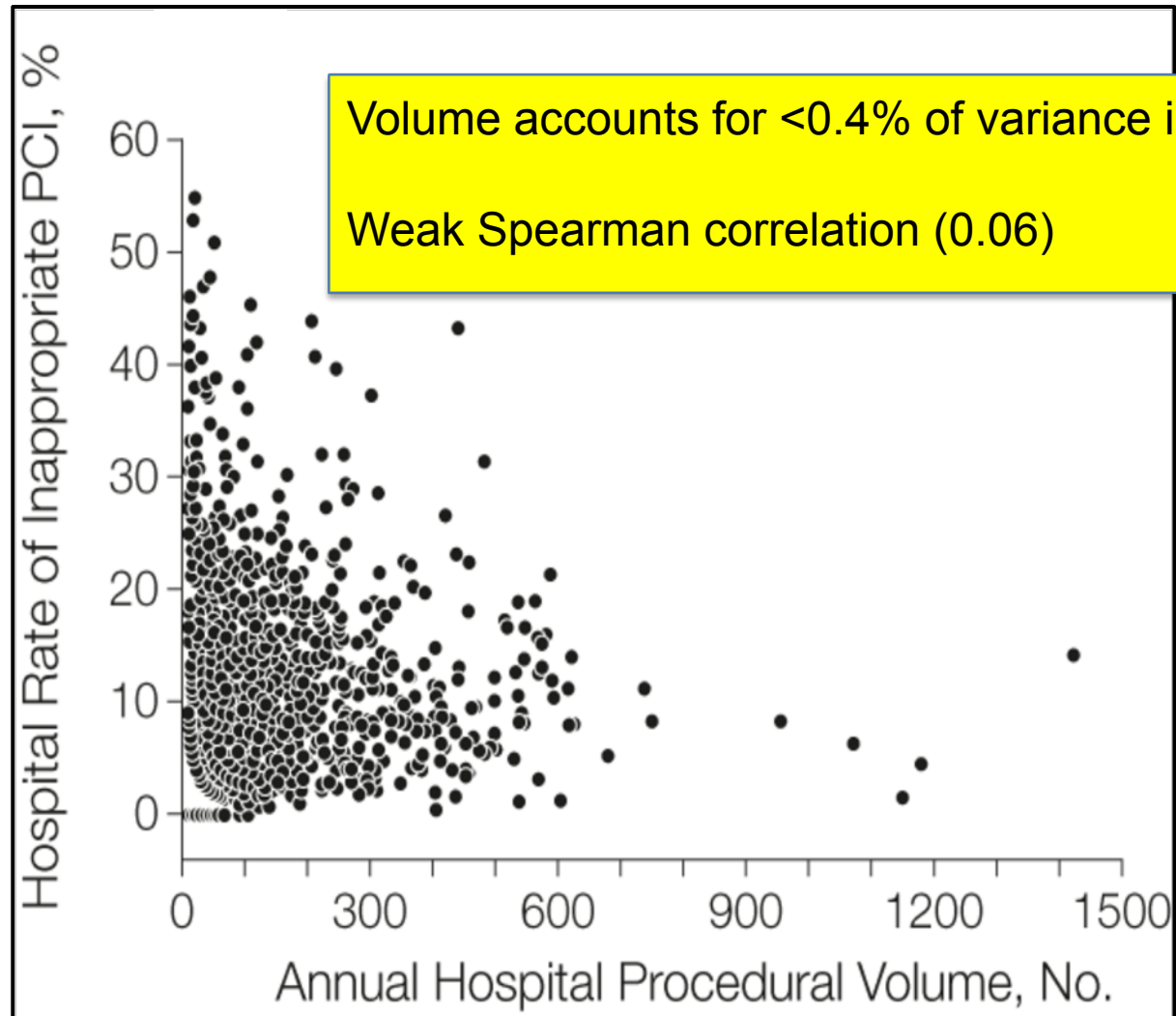
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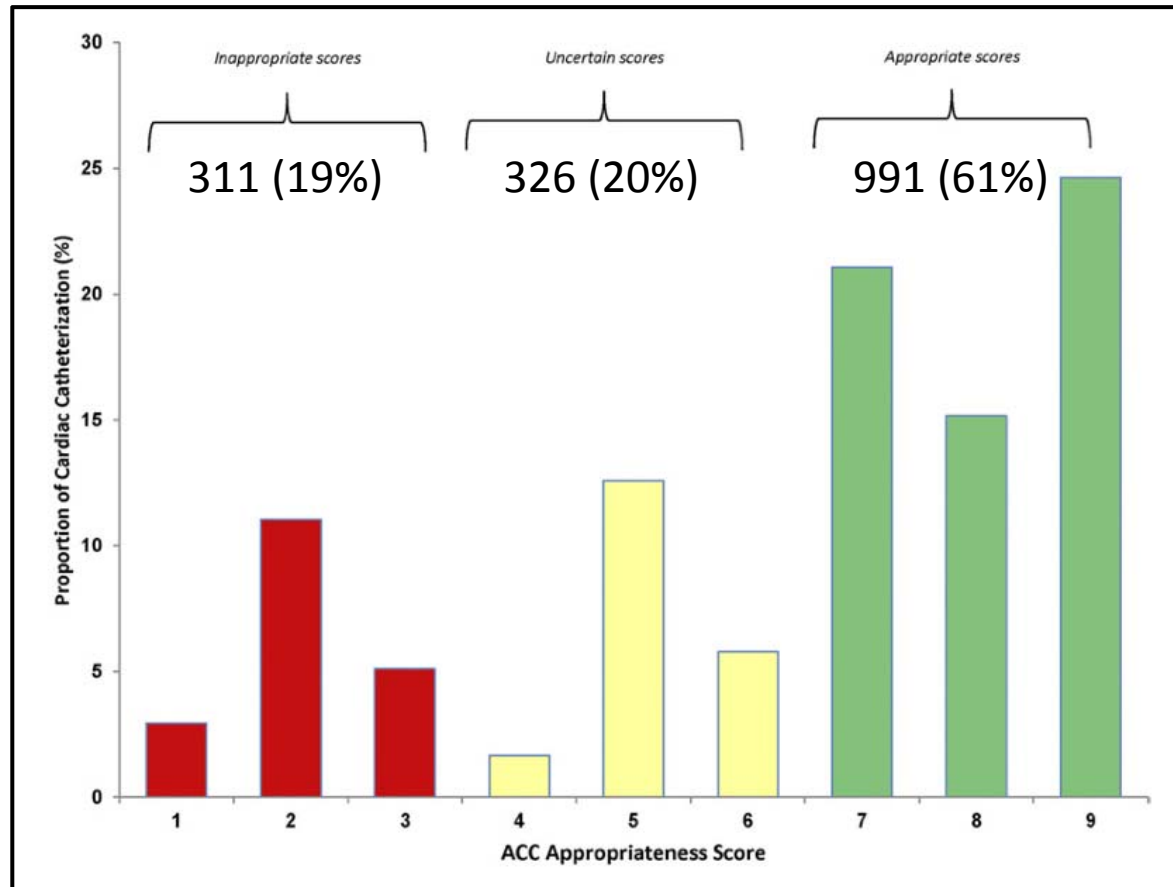
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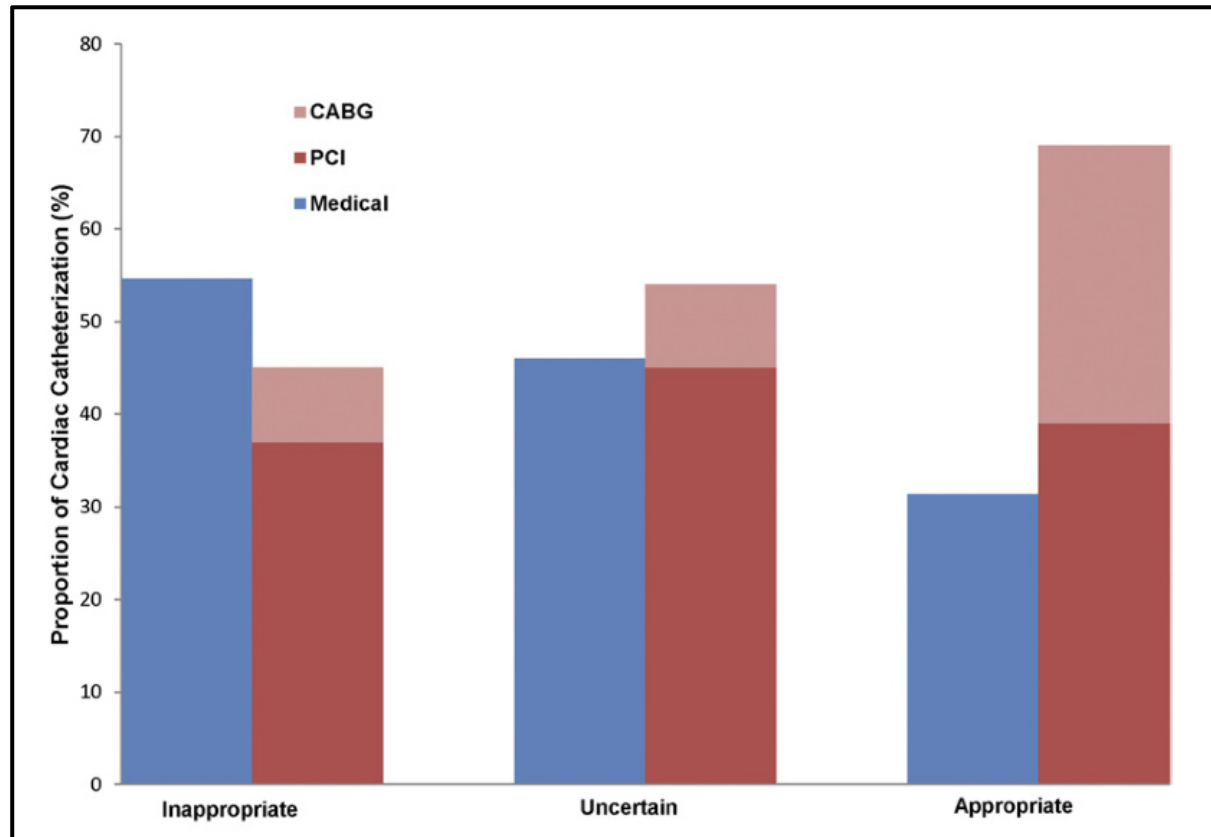
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Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in Ontario



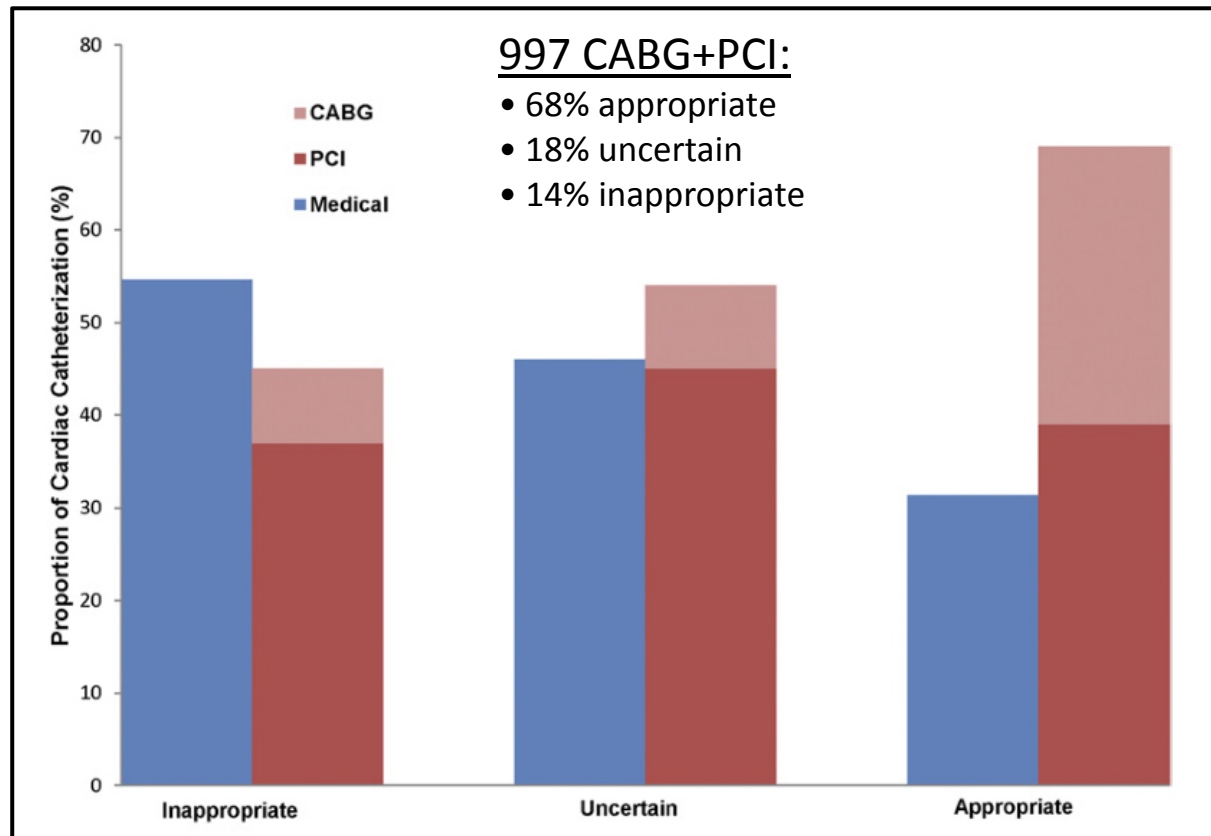
1,628 patients with coronary angiograms and data allowing assignment of AUC score

Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in Ontario



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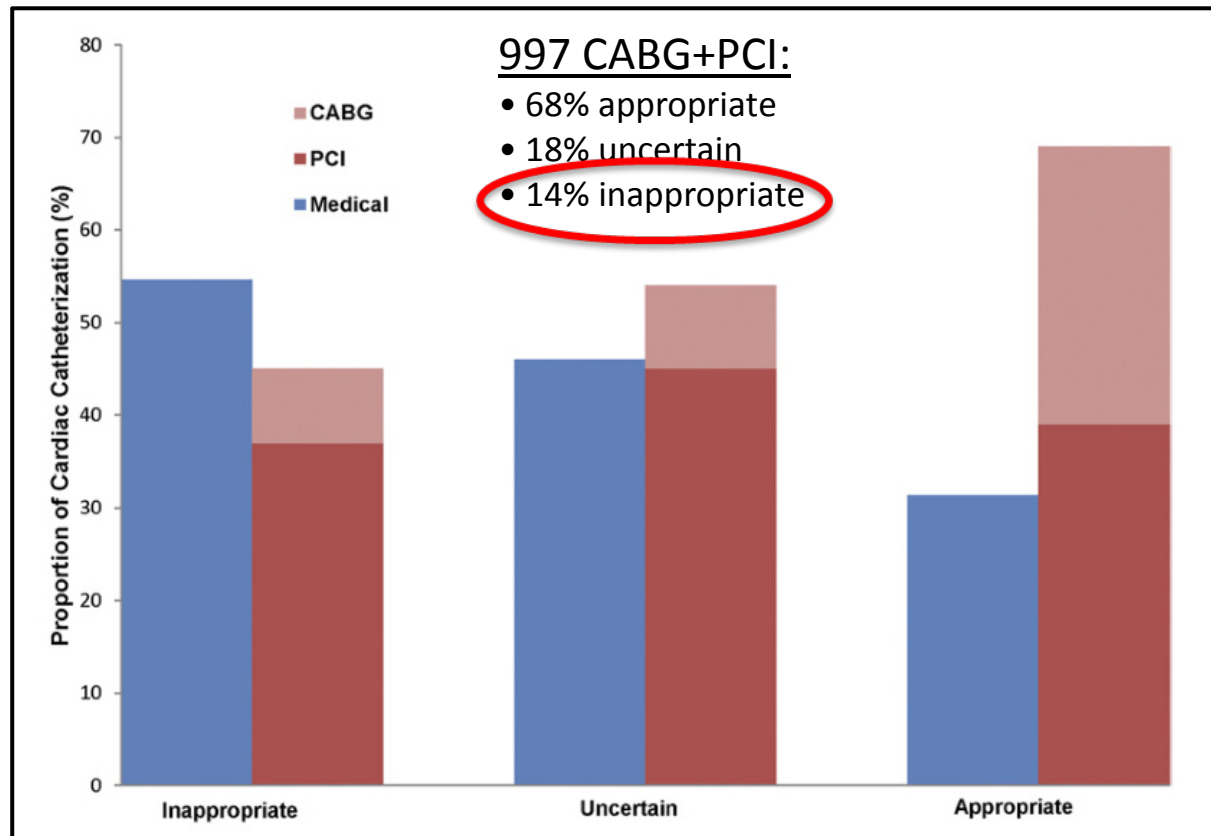
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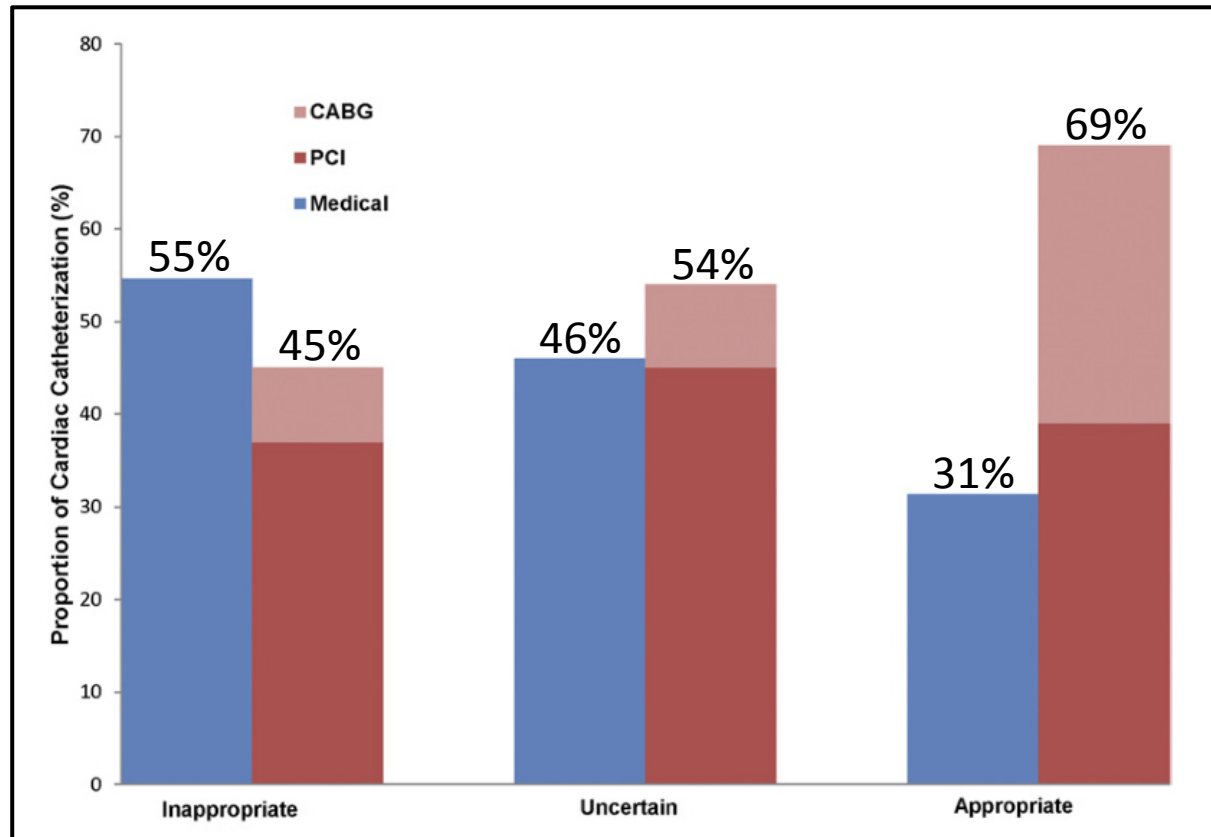
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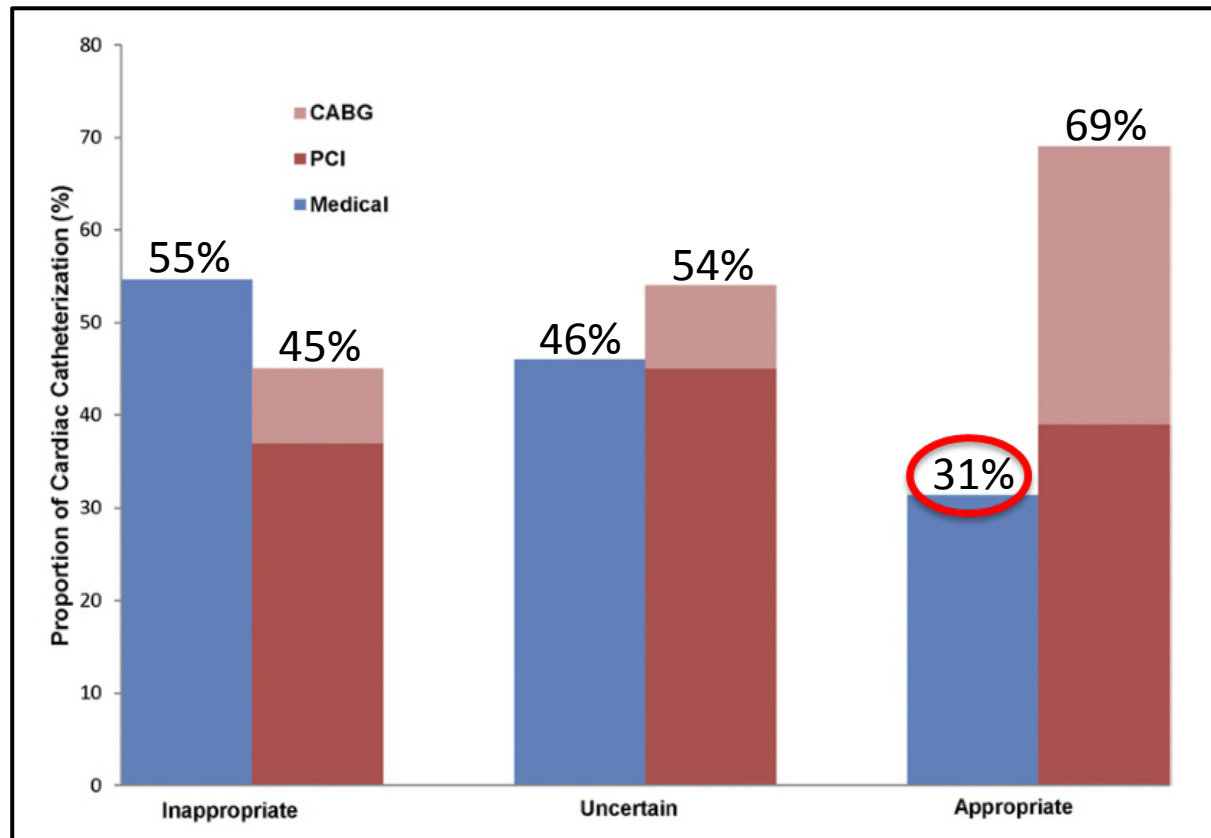
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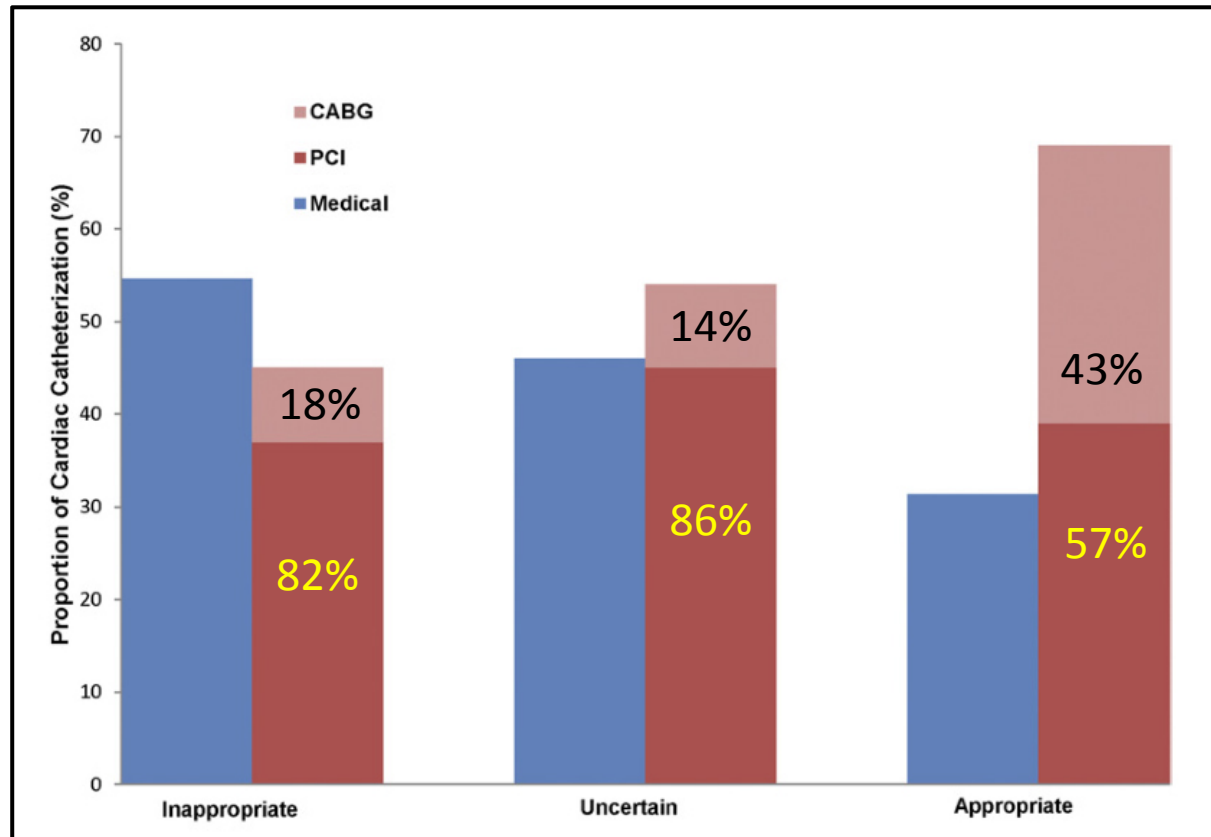
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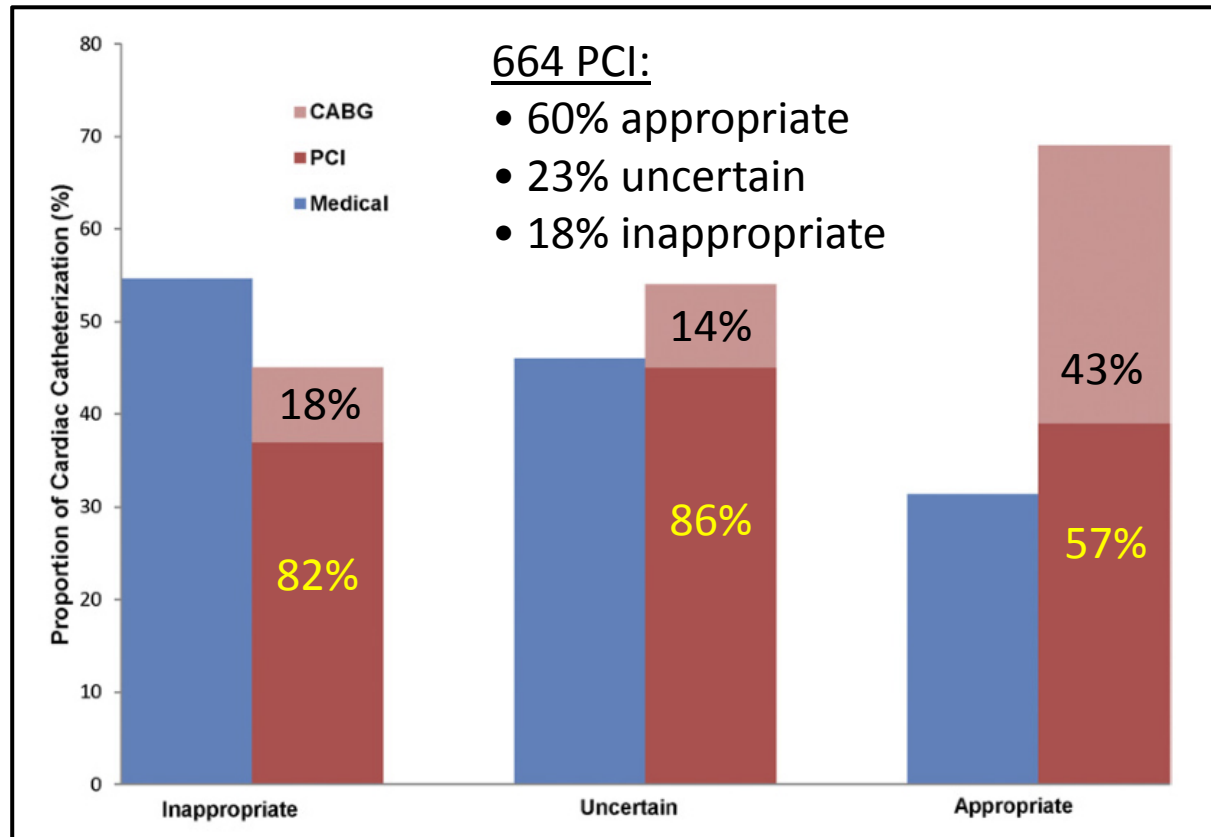
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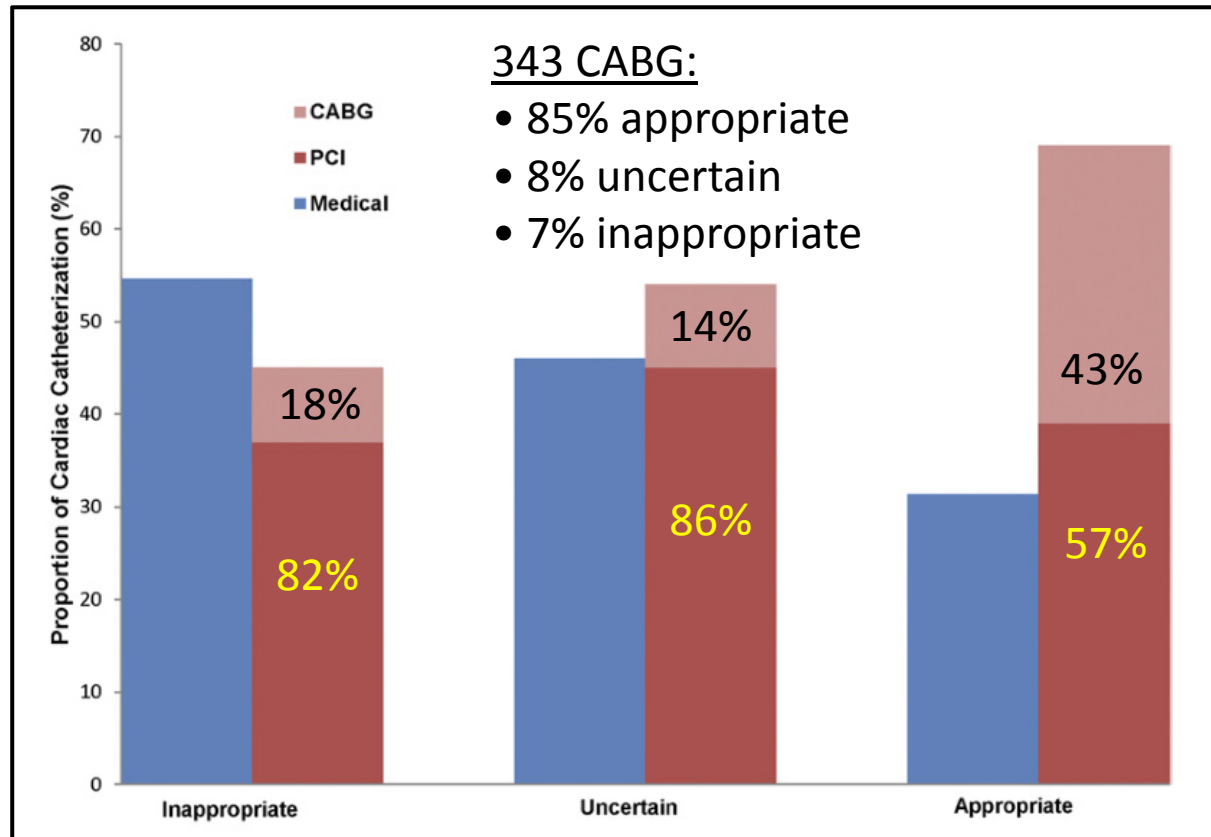
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Appropriateness of Coronary Revascularization in Ontario

Rate of Death plus Recurrent ACS

Appropriateness Category	n	Crude Rate %		HR (95% CI)	Adjusted p Value
		No Revascularization	Revascularization		
Inappropriate*	311	16 (9.4%)	20 (14.2%)	0.99 (0.48–2.02)	0.97
Uncertain*	326	23 (15.3%)	14 (8.0%)	0.57 (0.28–1.16)	0.12
Appropriate†	991	50 (16.1%)	80 (11.8%)	0.61 (0.42–0.88)	0.0087

Revascularization by method:

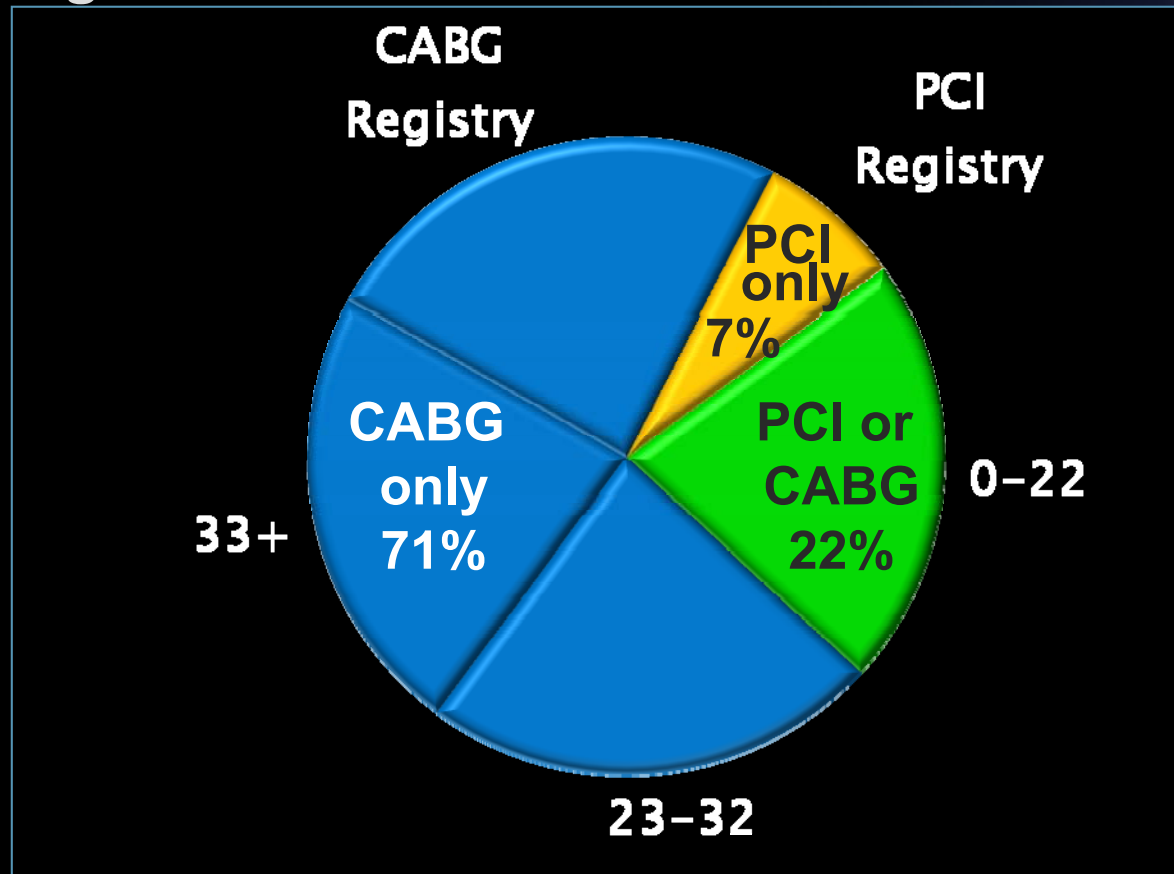
HR for CABG vs medical therapy = 0.33 (p=0.006)

HR for PCI vs medical therapy = 0.83 (p=NS)

How do results of PCI and CABG compare?

MACCE to 5 Years

Interpreting Results Based on SYNTAX Score



Five-year results of the SYNTAX trial suggest that 71% of all patients are still best treated with CABG; however, for the remaining patients PCI is an alternative to surgery

Unfortunately, SYNTAX and FREEDOM
do **NOT** Represent Current PCI Practice:
Major changes since these trials

- **Importance of complete revascularization**
 - **Ischemia-guided intervention**
 - **2nd generation DES**

What Are We Really Fighting?





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How are PCI and CABG being used?

- Appropriate Use Criteria are not perfect
- Substantial variability in assessment
- Underuse is more common than overuse
- Overuse of PCI >> CABG
- Heart Team approach may balance overuse

A Simple Choice

PCI

vs.

CABG

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The Pickett's Charge Intervention (PCI): Why would it fail?

Post PCI, blood must pass through:

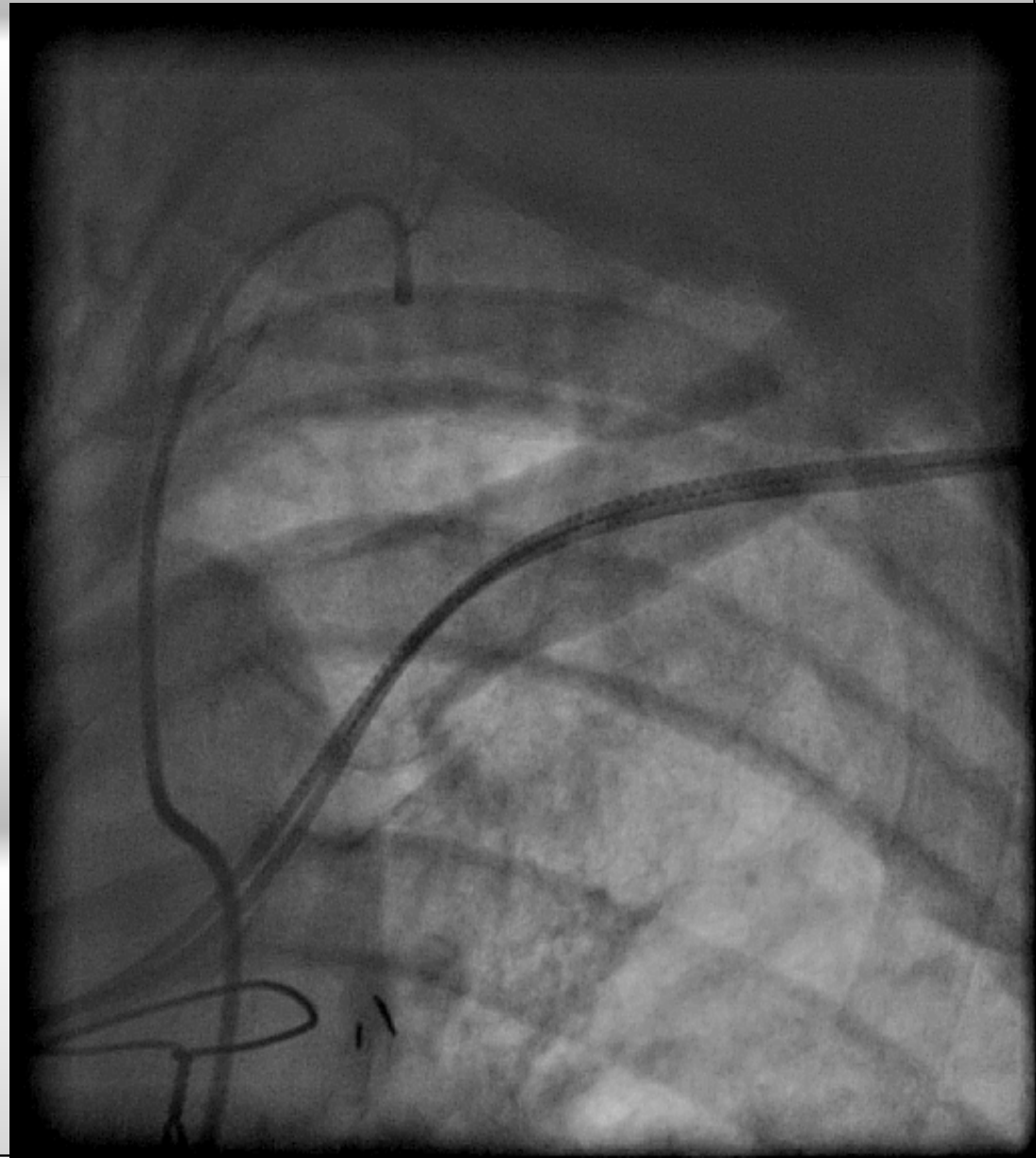
- A site prone to native disease
- A site that is rarely focal
- Now it contains a foreign body
- The foreign body includes drug and matrix
- The balance of drug-effect on healing is ??

Why does CABG* succeed?

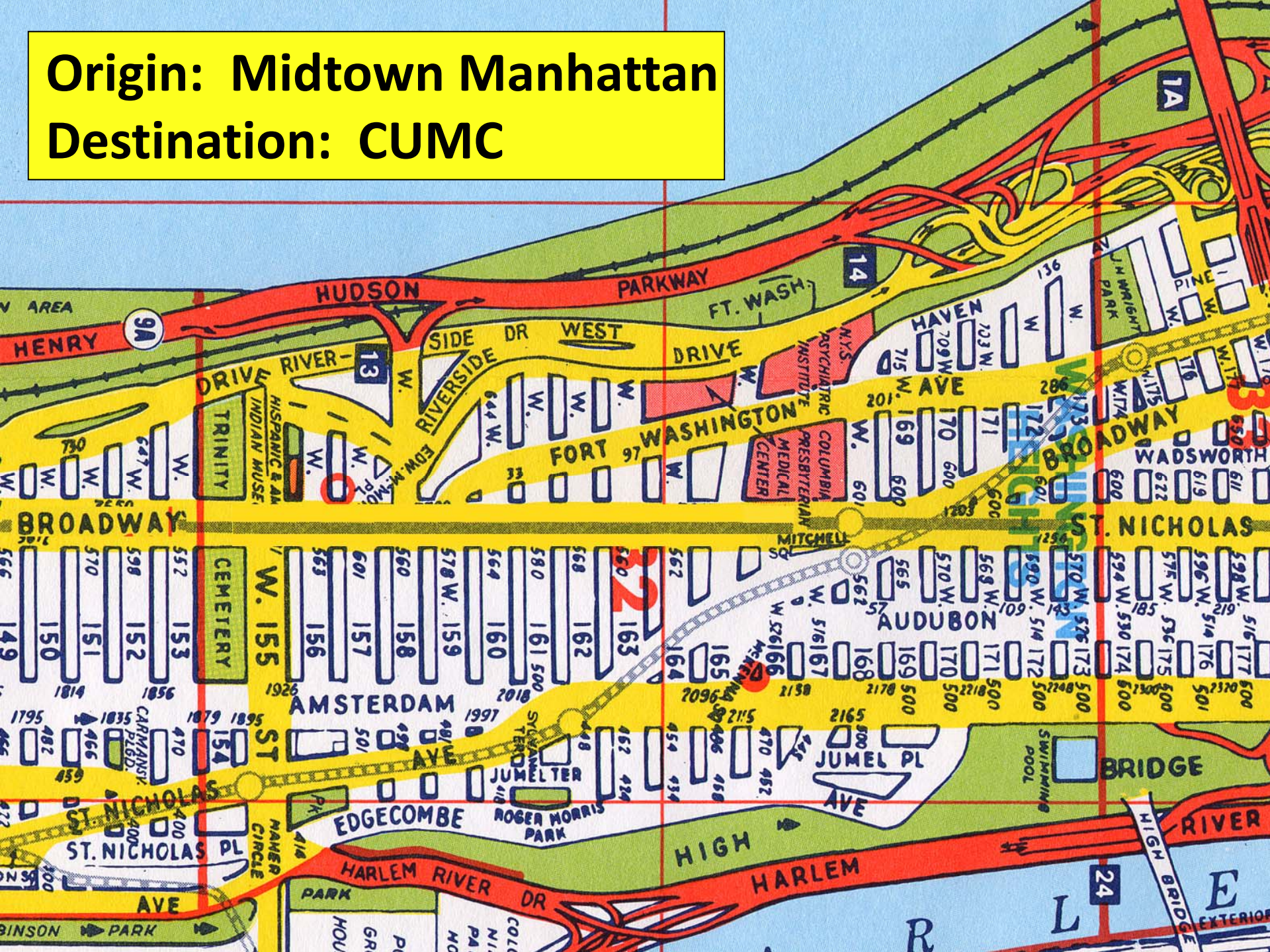
Blood must pass through:

- A relatively normal conduit
- One anastomosis
- The most normal segment of the coronary target

***Credible Advantage
Beats Gatekeeping**

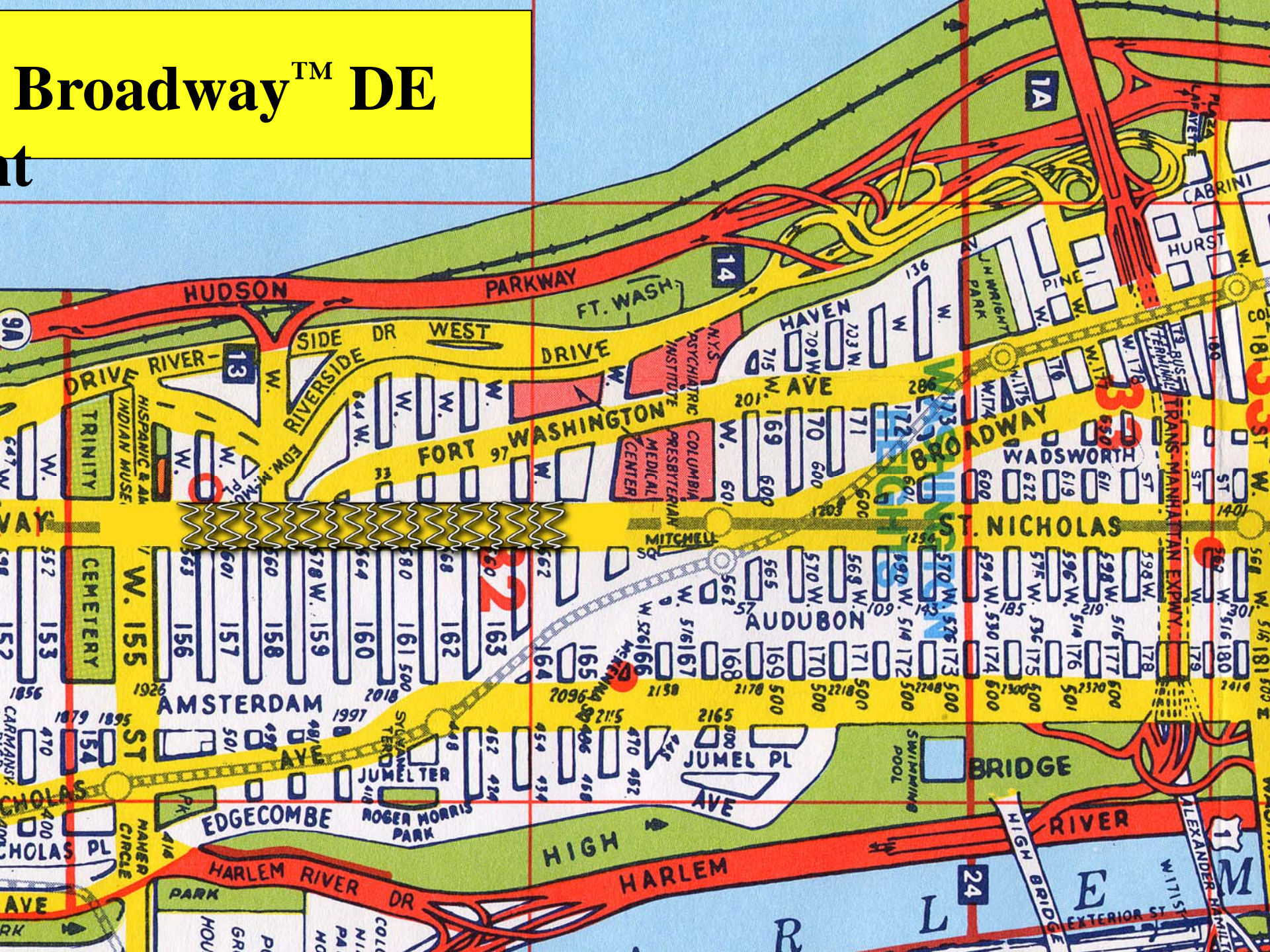


Origin: Midtown Manhattan
Destination: CUMC

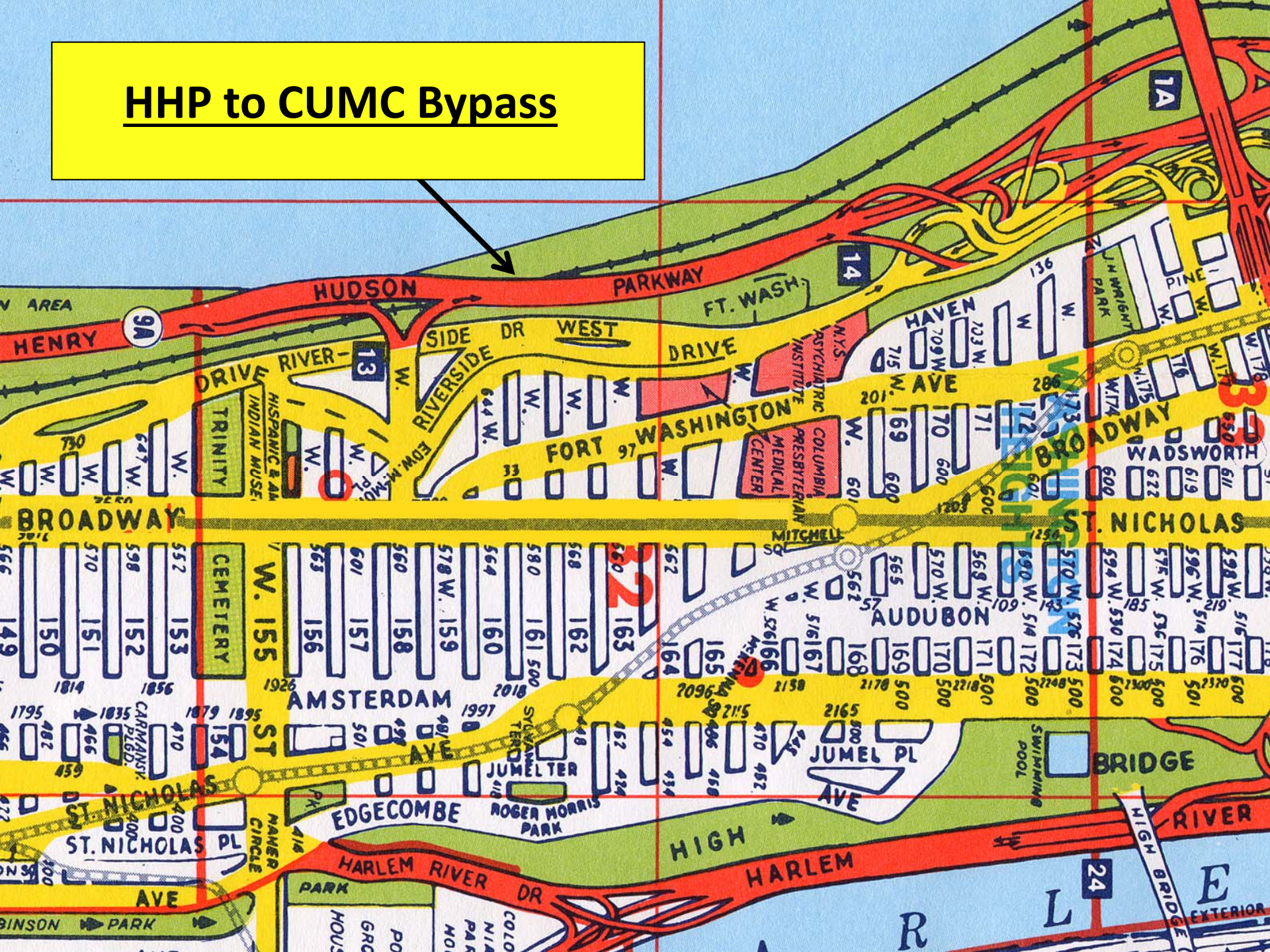


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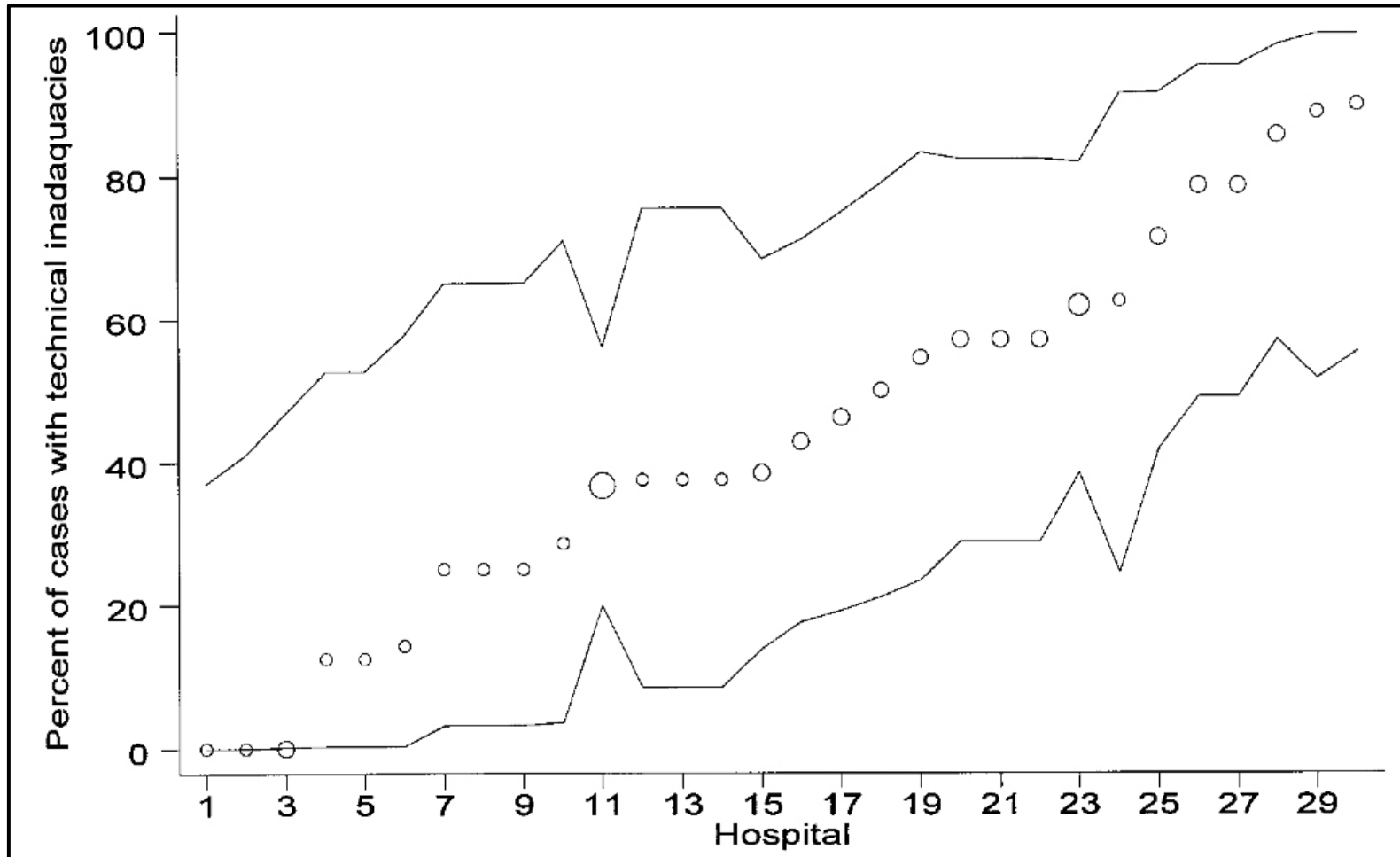
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HHP to CUMC Bypass



Variability in Coronary Angiogram Interpretation: Effect on Appropriate Use Scoring



Circle size proportional to sample size (range 7-30). Solid lines are bound binomial CI's.

Appropriateness of CABG

- Appropriateness criteria developed and updated for 16 surgical procedures including CABG.
- Appropriate use: 54% to 93%
- Overuse: 0% to 14%
- Underuse: 24% to 57%

Methodologic foundations of Appropriateness of medical interventions

- Appropriateness is defined as “the health benefits exceed the risks by a sufficiently wide margin that the procedure is worth doing”
- RAND/UCLA appropriateness method developed in 1984 by Rand Health Utilization Study
- 9-point scale with 1 being lowest and 9 being highest appropriateness
- 3 categories of appropriateness: appropriate/necessary (7 to 9), equivocal (4 to 6), inappropriate (1 to 3)

Assessing Appropriateness

1. Define intervention, lit review, meta-analysis.
2. Panel of experts ranking scale of appropriateness
3. Abstraction and review of medical records for indication and intervention.
4. Each patient record independently reviewed by expert panel and assigned level of intervention appropriateness.

Analysis is performed by considering appropriateness similar to a diagnostic test

Phelps, NEJM 1993

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- 94,867 excluded b/o no stress test, or stress test with no ischemia specified
- IA rate increases to 21% if the 94,867 are included

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INTERNAL MEDICINE

REVIEW ARTICLE

LESS IS MORE

Initial Coronary Stent Implantation With Medical Therapy vs Medical Therapy Alone for Stable Coronary Artery Disease

“We certainly have abundant scientific evidence to support a more selective, measured, and balanced approach to the initial management of SIHD and one that *promotes and embraces optimal medical therapy for the majority of patients as a proven alternative to revascularization.*”

PCI

CABG

Underestimating Medical Therapy for Coronary Disease . . . Again

James C. Fang, M.D.

The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

“With the results of the STICH trial, we should be comfortable with the notion that in general, *surgery is not superior to optimal medical therapy for ischemic left ventricular dysfunction.*”



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Except if you have prognostically important disease!

Two Goals of Therapy in Patients with Stable CAD

1. Improve Symptoms and Quality of Life

- Measured by “soft endpoints” (i.e. angina/QOL scales)

2. Improve Prognosis

- Measured by “hard endpoints” (i.e. death, MI)

BARI 2D: Patient Flow

Coronary angiography in
pts with type 2 diabetes

2368 pts were enrolled

763 were selected for
CABG vs. OMT

1605 were selected for
PCI vs. OMT

385 assigned
to OMT

378 assigned
to CABG

807 assigned
to OMT

798 assigned
to PCI

Exclusions:
Revasc not indicated
Imm. revasc required
LM disease
S. Cr. >2.0 mg/dL
HgbA1C >13.0%,
CI III or IV HF
Hepatic dysfunction
PCI or CABG w/i 1 yr

*A study of prophylactic revascularization among patients
with no “definite need for invasive intervention”*



CARDIA

Trial design: Diabetic patients with multi-vessel disease or complex single-vessel disease, but not left main disease, were randomized to either CABG or PCI. Clinical outcomes were compared at 12 months.

Results

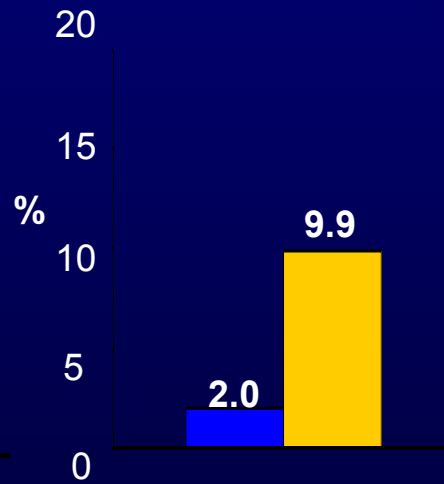
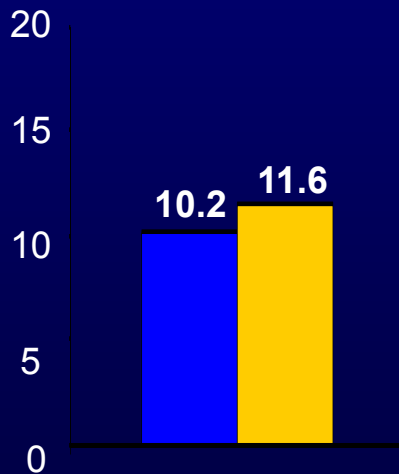
- Primary endpoint (death, MI, stroke) was similar between CABG and PCI (10.2% vs. 11.6%, $p = 0.63$)
- Significant \downarrow in repeat revascularization in CABG arm (2% vs. 9.9%, $p = 0.001$). True in drug-eluting stent subset also
- Trend toward increased CVA in CABG arm ($p = 0.09$)

Conclusions

- Similar incidence of death, MI, or stroke in diabetics with CABG or PCI
- CABG was associated with fewer repeat revascularizations compared with PCI
- No difference in death, MI, but trend toward increased stroke with CABG, as suggested by other studies

($p = 0.63$)

($p = 0.001$)



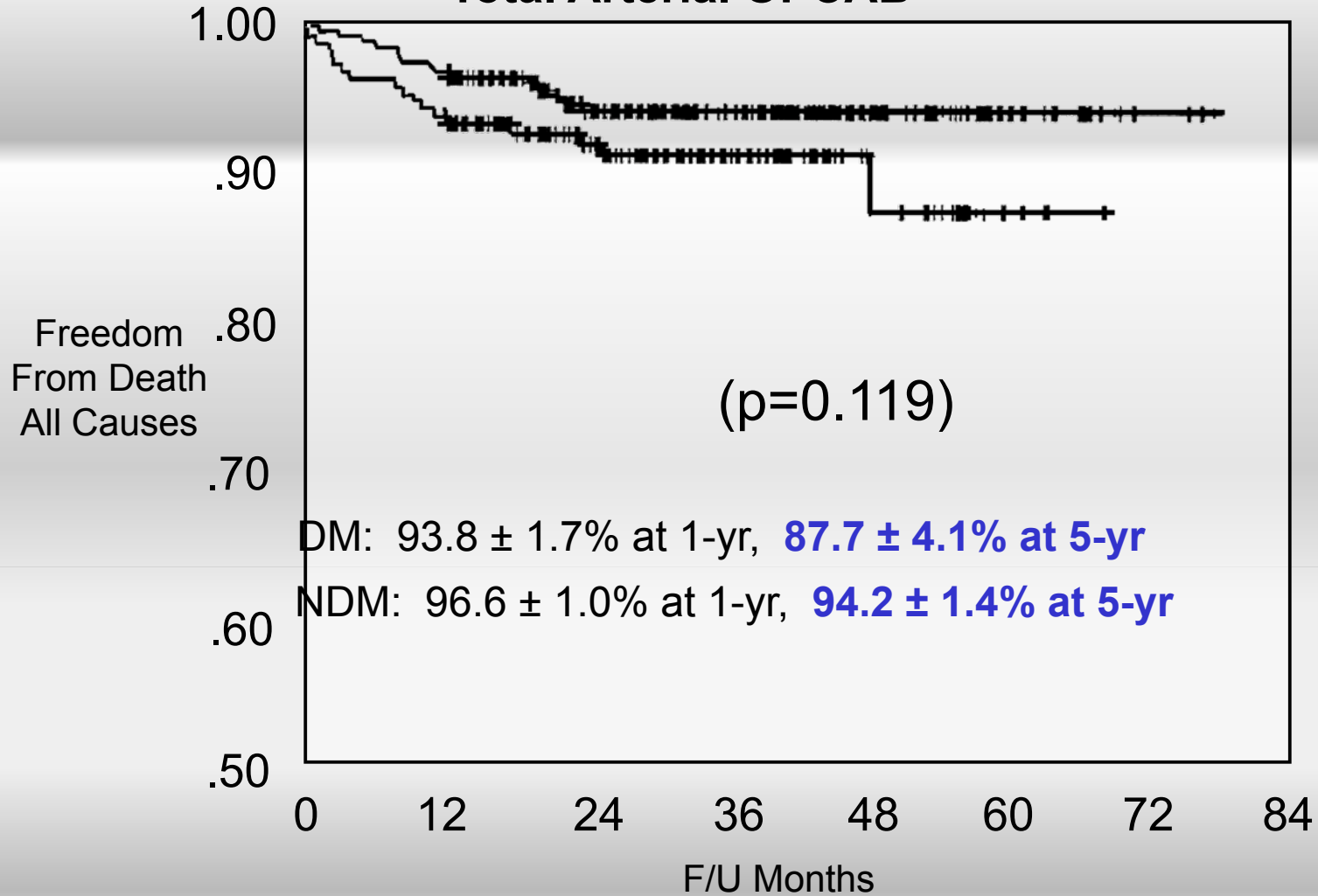
Primary endpoint

Repeat revascularization

CABG
(n = 254)

PCI
(n = 256)

Total Arterial OPCAB

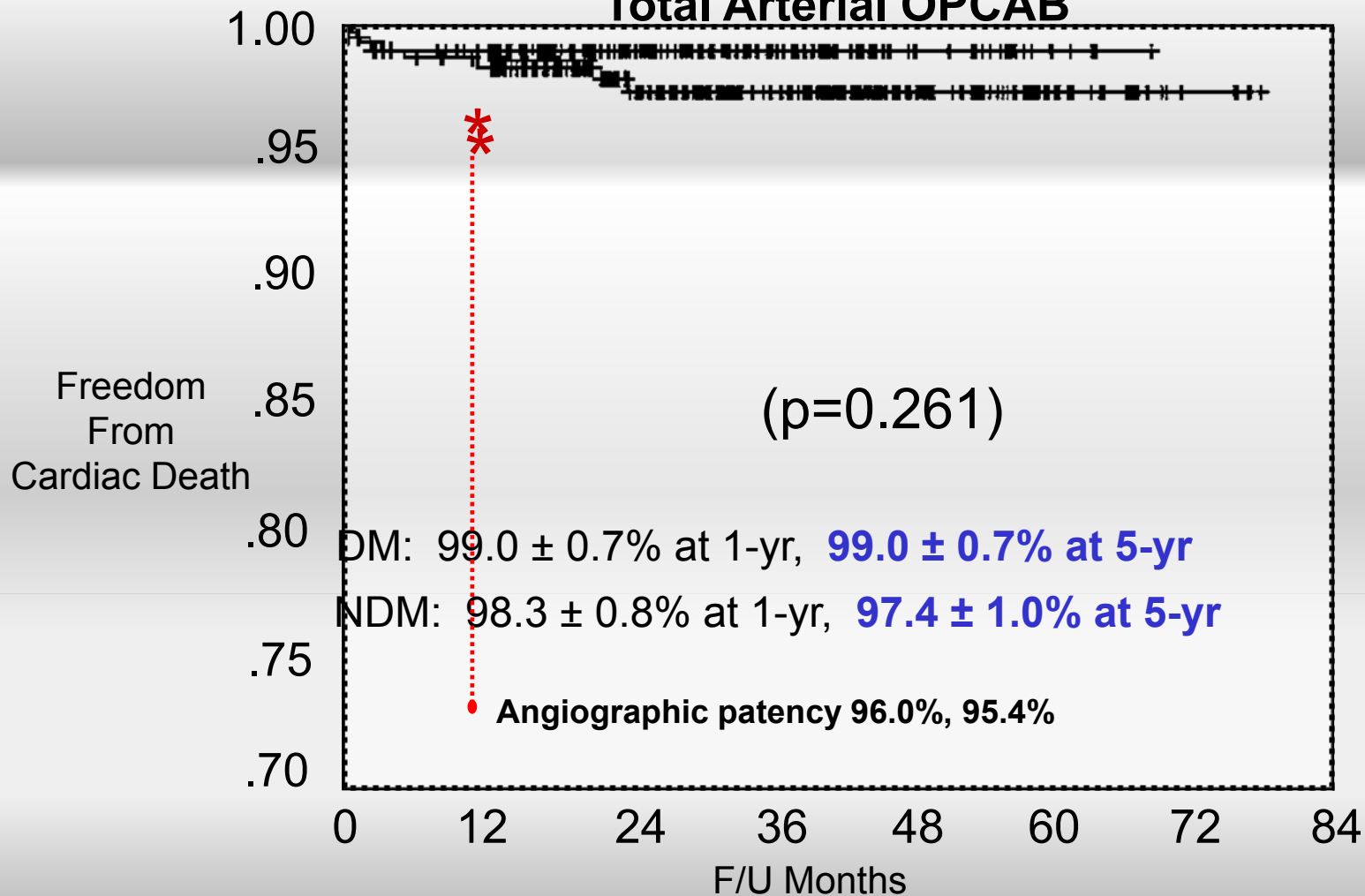


Postoperative months: 12 24 36 48 60 72

DM group (N): 194 134 77 26 5

NDM group (N): 288 208 141 77 29 6

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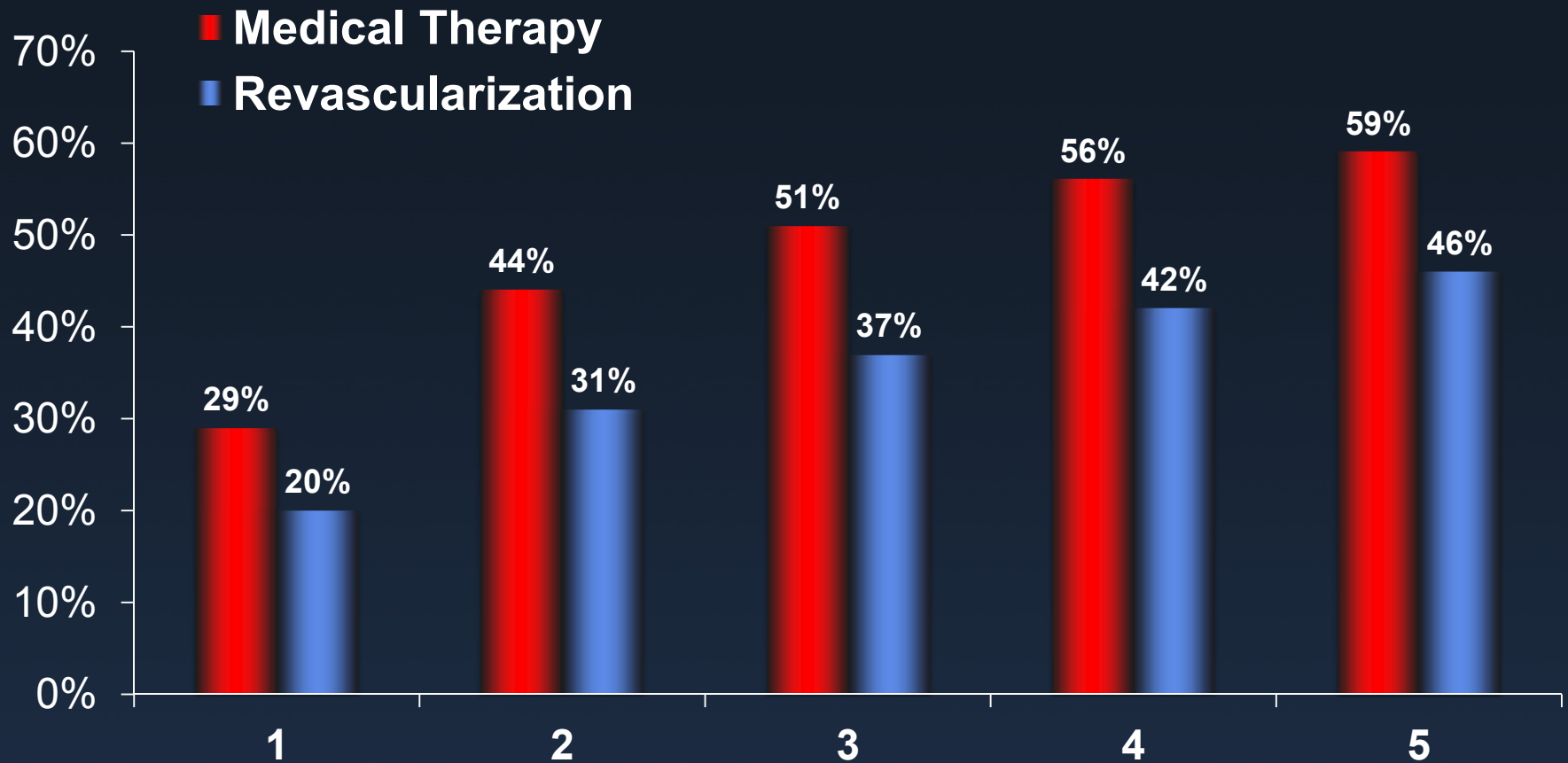
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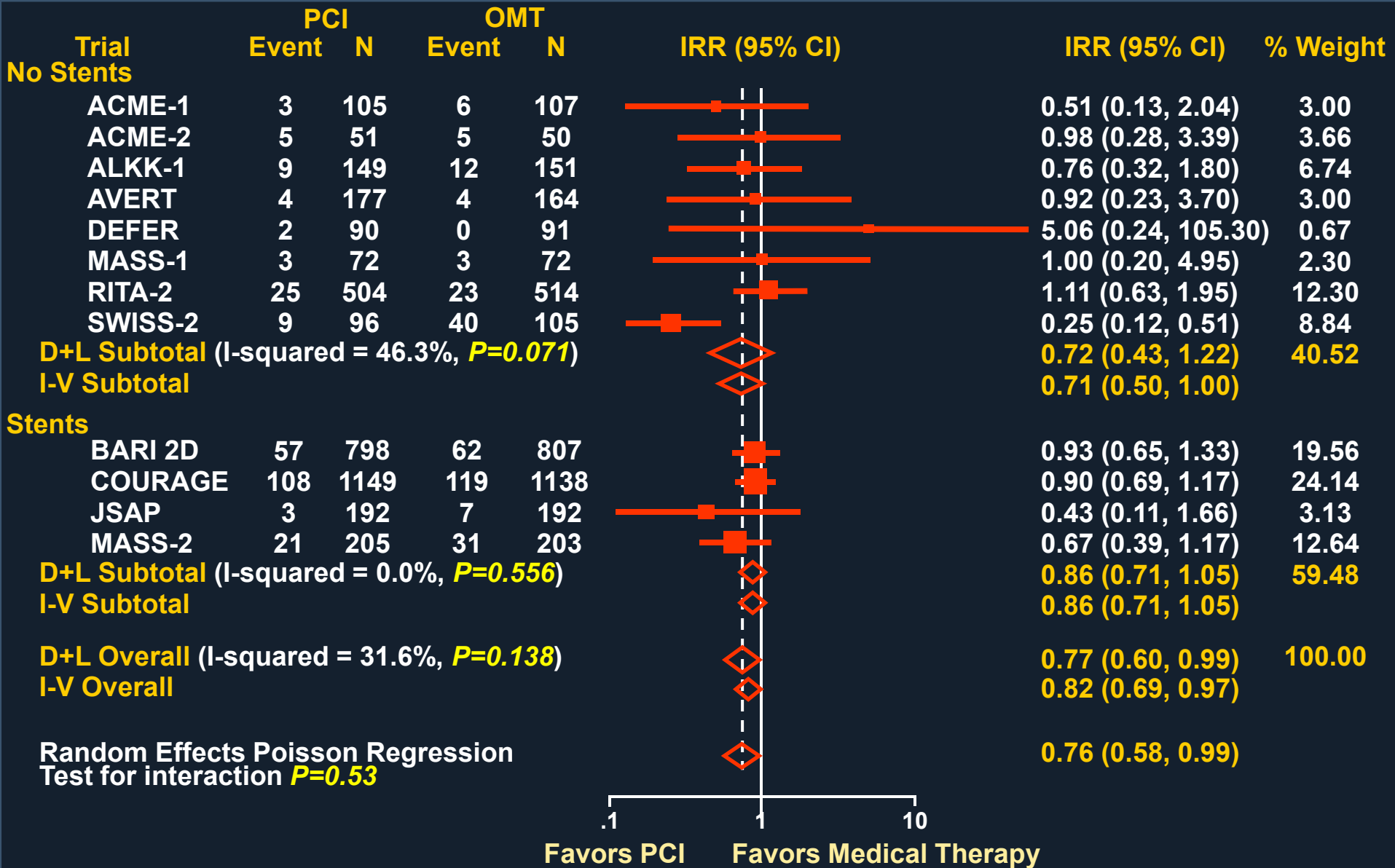
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BARI-2D: Cumulative Incidence of New Angina in Initially Asymptomatic Patients

Log-rank p<0.001

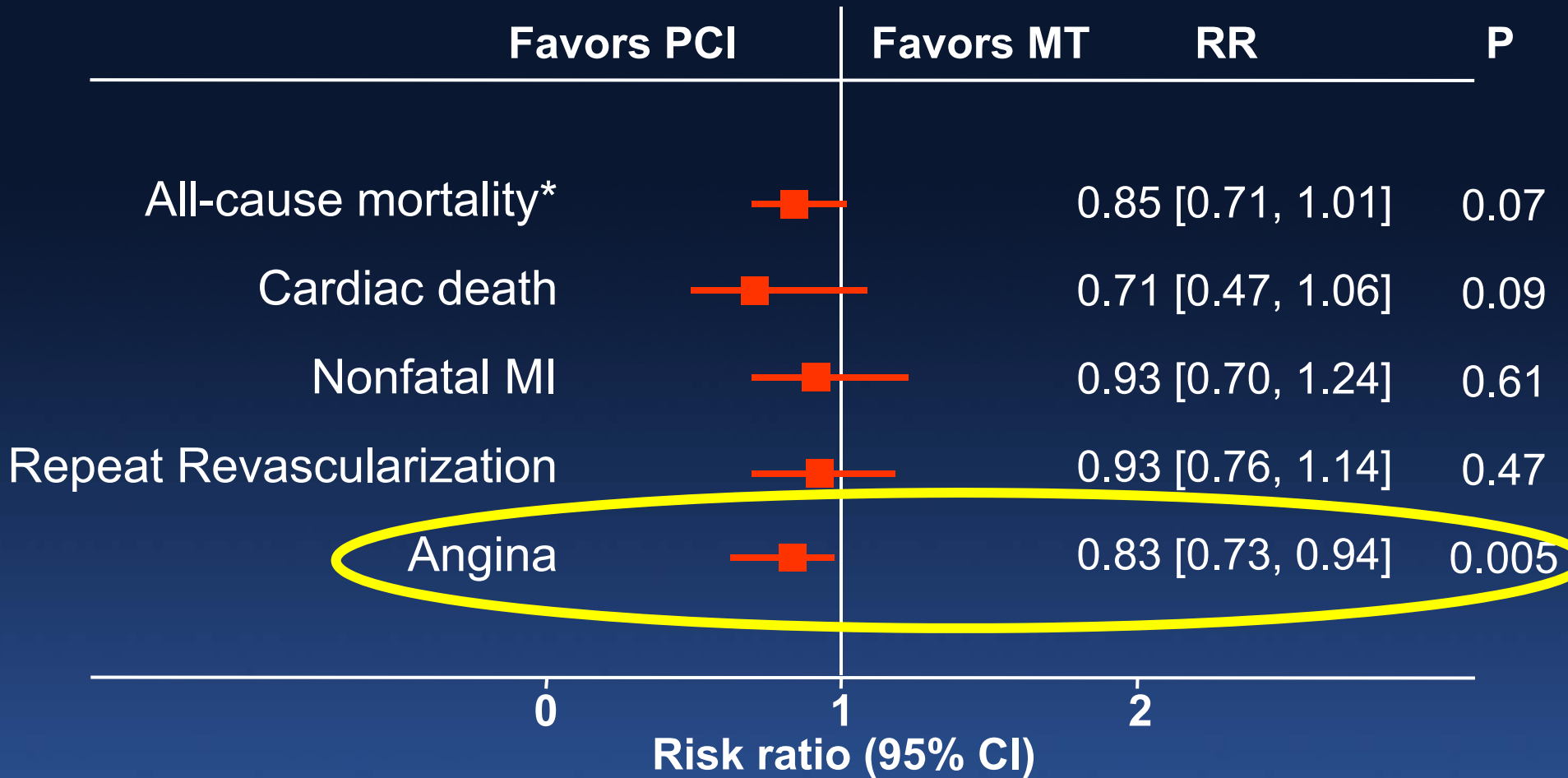


Spontaneous MI in Trials of PCI vs. OMT



PCI vs. Medical Therapy for Stable CAD

12 RCTs enrolling 7182 participants



*All-cause mortality (in trials with >50% stent use) 0.93 [0.78, 1.11]

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CLINICAL CROSSROADS

Management of
Needlestick Injuries:

VIEWPOINTS

Reversals of Established Medical Practices:
Evidence to Abandon Ship

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V. PRASAD, A. CIFU, J. P. A. IOANNIDIS

“As is the case with vertebroplasty, stenting performed in patients with stable disease is probably widely used as an expensive placebo for pain control.”

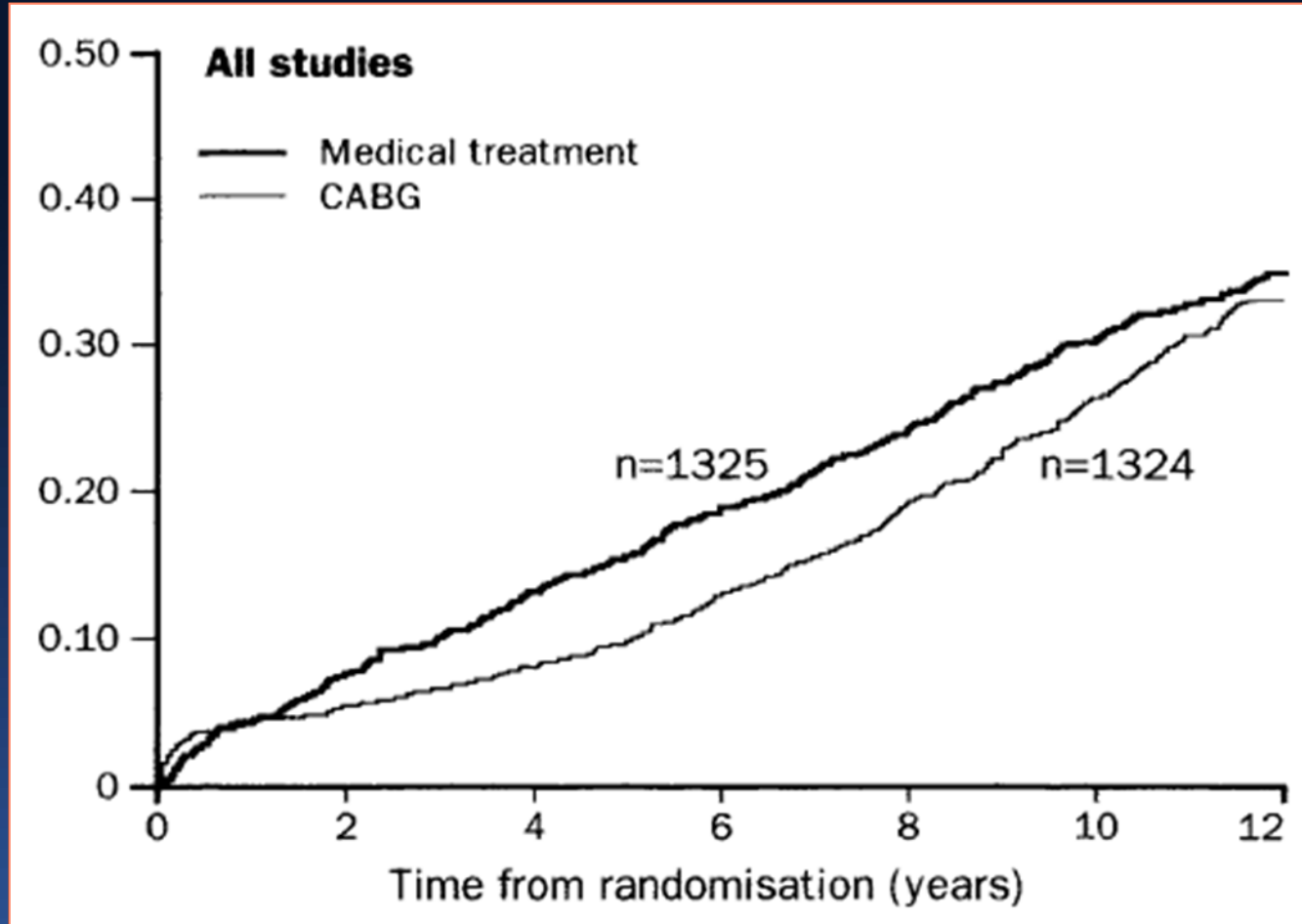
How Do Our Patients Really Feel About Anti-Anginal Agents/OMT?



Agent	Issues for Patients
Beta-blockers	Sluggishness, fatigue
Nitrates	Really need to push for effect
Ca++ Channel Blockers	Reasonably tolerated
Ranolazine	COST!!! \$200-\$400/month

Multivessel CAD is Prognostically Important: Meta-Analysis of 7 RCTs

Mortality



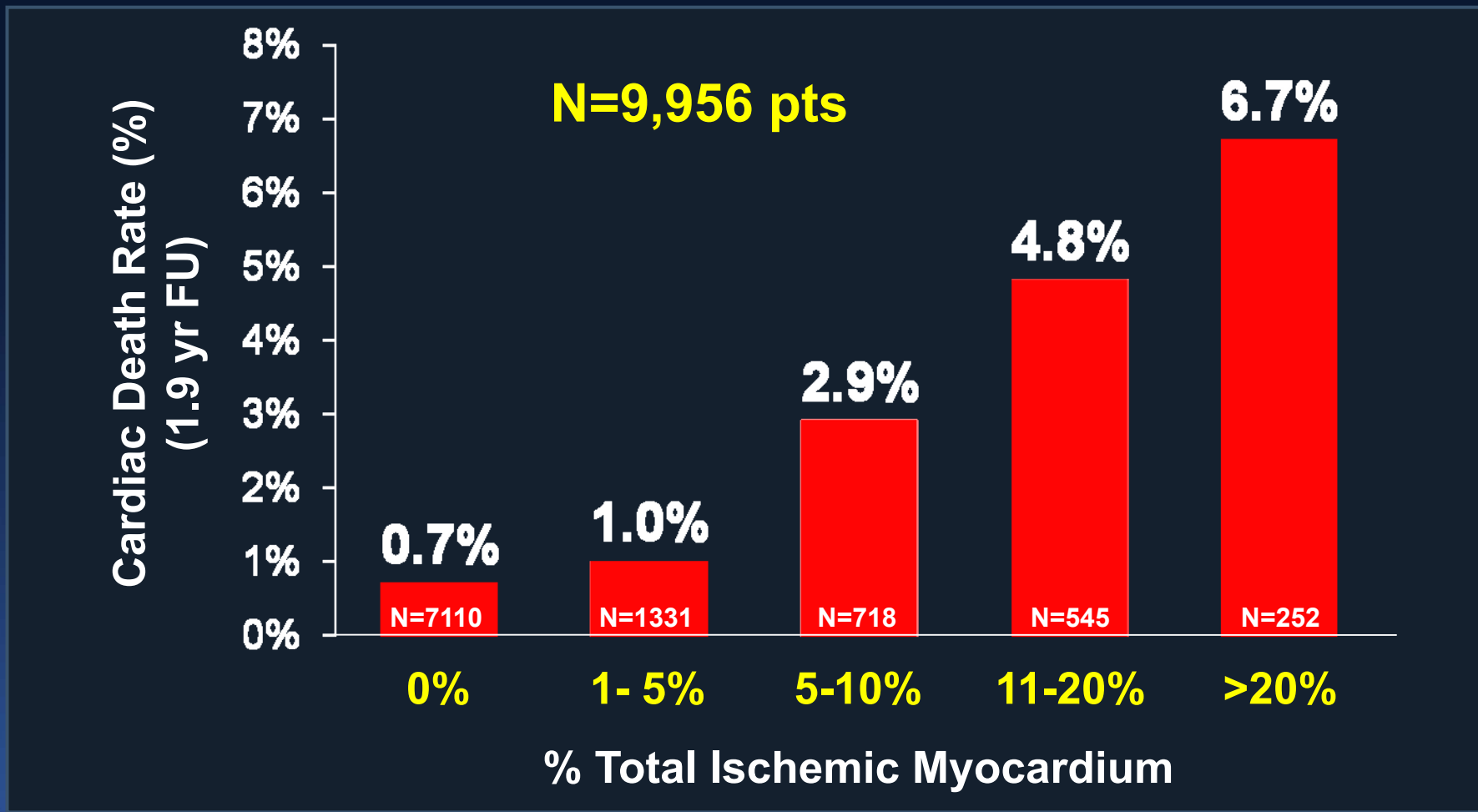
Yusuf S et al, Lancet 1994

MASS II: 10-year Follow-up

	Medical n=203	PCI n=205	CABG n=203	p
Death/QWMI/Refractory Angina Req Revasc	59.1%	42.4%	33.0%	<0.001
Death	31.0%	24.1%	25.1%	0.089
Cardiac Death	20.7%	14.3%	10.8%	0.019
MI	20.7%	13.3%	10.3%	0.010
Additional Revasc	39.4%	41.9%	7.4%	0.001

90% proximal LAD involvement; 58% 3VD

Non-Invasive Risk-Stratification in Stable CAD



Hachamovitch et al, *Circulation*
2003;107:2900-07

Look AHEAD Stopped for Futility

The New York Times

October 19, 2012

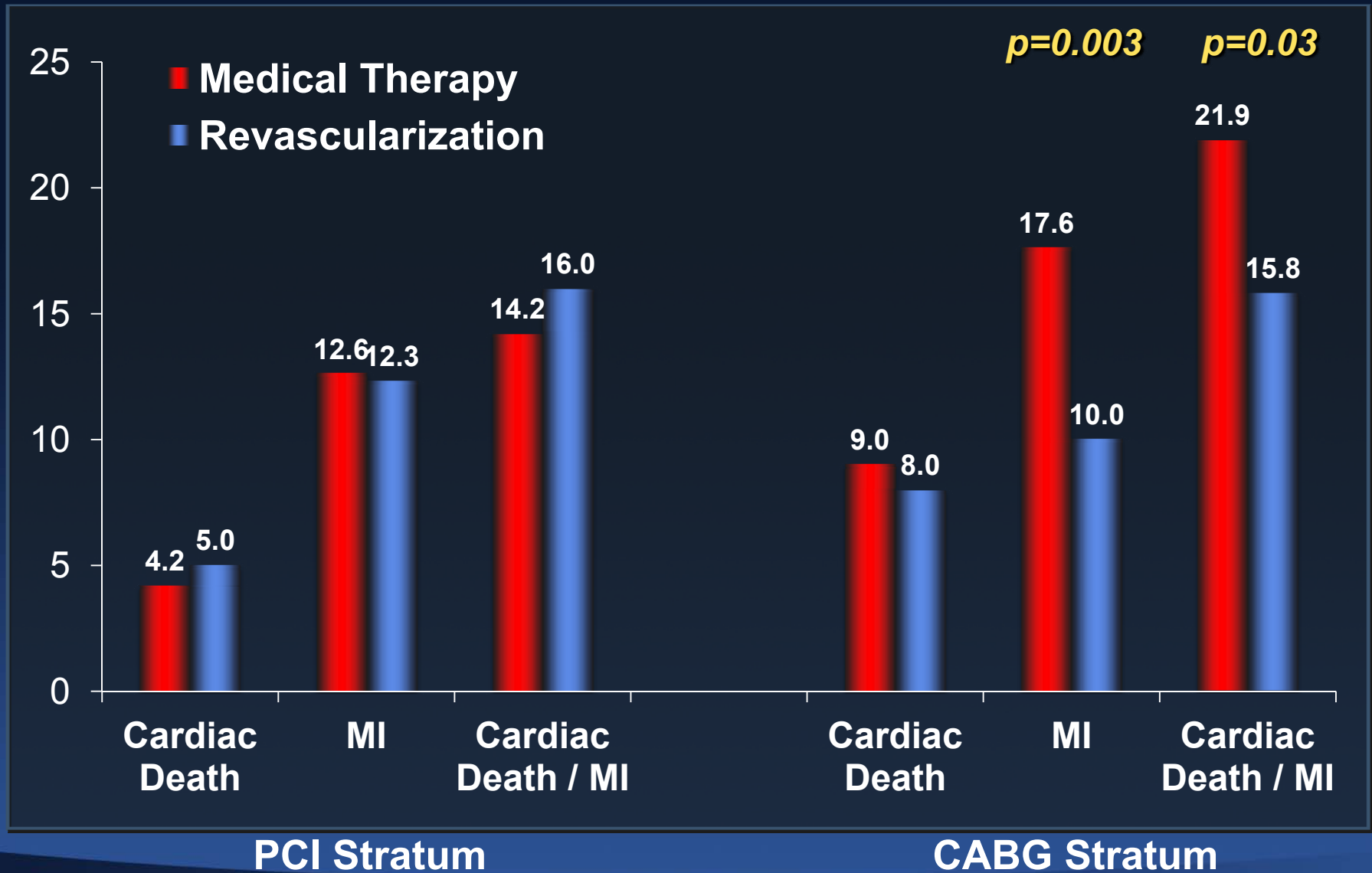
Diabetes Study Ends Early With a Surprising Result

By GINA KOLATA

A large federal study of whether diet and weight loss can prevent heart attacks and strokes in overweight and obese people with [Type 2 diabetes](#) has ended two years ahead of schedule because the intensive program did not help.

“That may be the choice we are highlighting. You can take more medications - and more, I should say, expensive medications - or you can chose a lifestyle intervention and use fewer drugs and come to the same cardiovascular disease risk”

BARI-2D Endpoints by Stratum

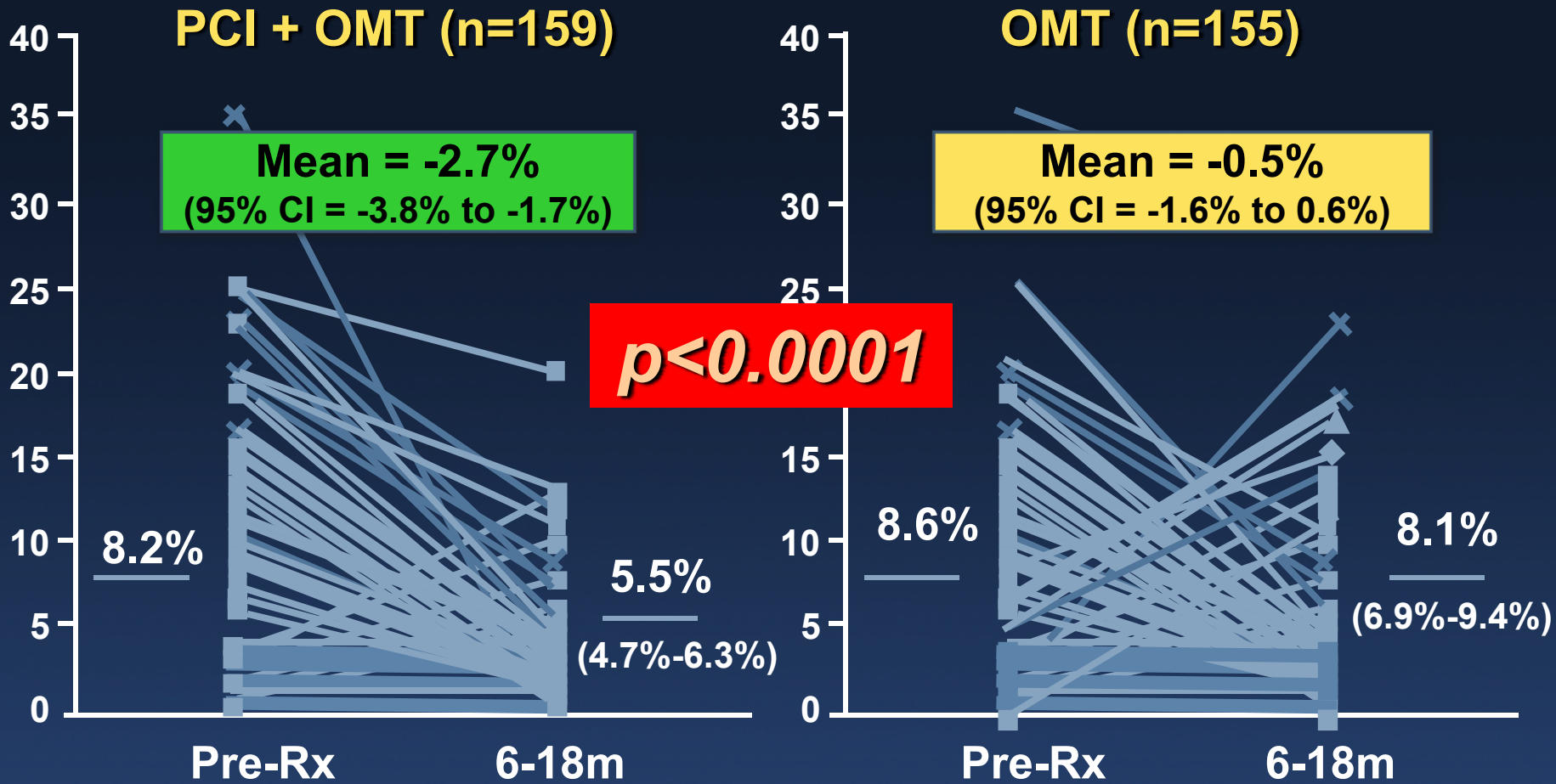


BARI 2D: Who got Revascularized?

	PCI Stratum	CABG Stratum	p
	N=1176	N=1192	
USA	73.7%	41.4%	<0.0001
Prior MI	30.1%	36.0%	<0.05
Proximal LAD disease	10.3%	19.4%	<0.05
Pts without prior procedures			
N lesions \geq 50% DS, mean	2.1 \pm 1.5	3.6 \pm 1.7	<0.0001
N lesions \geq 70% DS, mean	0.8 \pm 1.0	1.7 \pm 1.3	<0.0001
N of diseased vessels			<0.0001
- 0	4%	1%	
- 1	41%	9%	
- 2	36%	37%	
- 3	19%	53%	
Any total occlusions	7%	14%	<0.0001
Jeopardy index, %	38 \pm 22	61 \pm 21	<0.0001



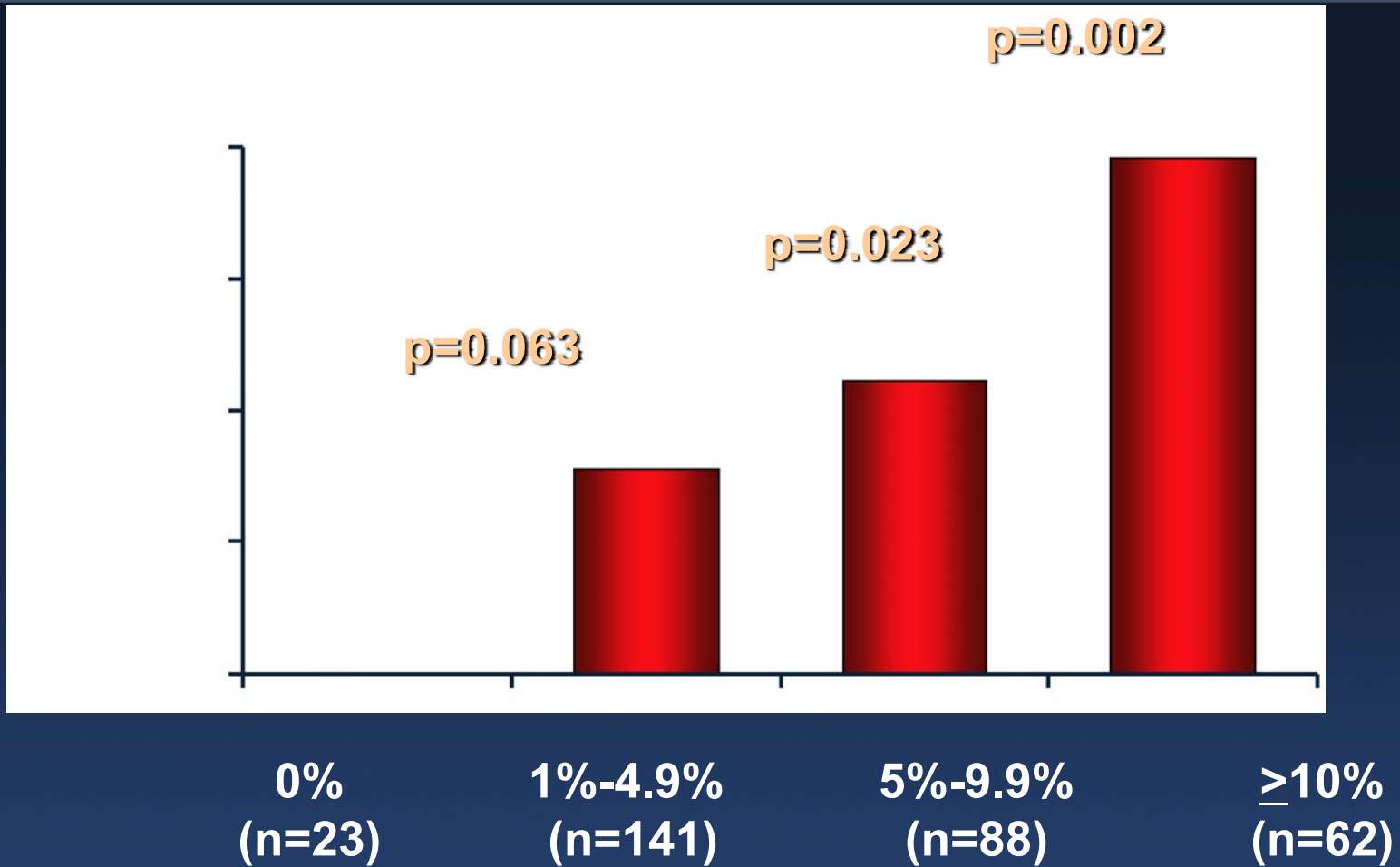
MPS % Ischemic Myocardium (95% CI) Pre-Rx & 6-18 Months





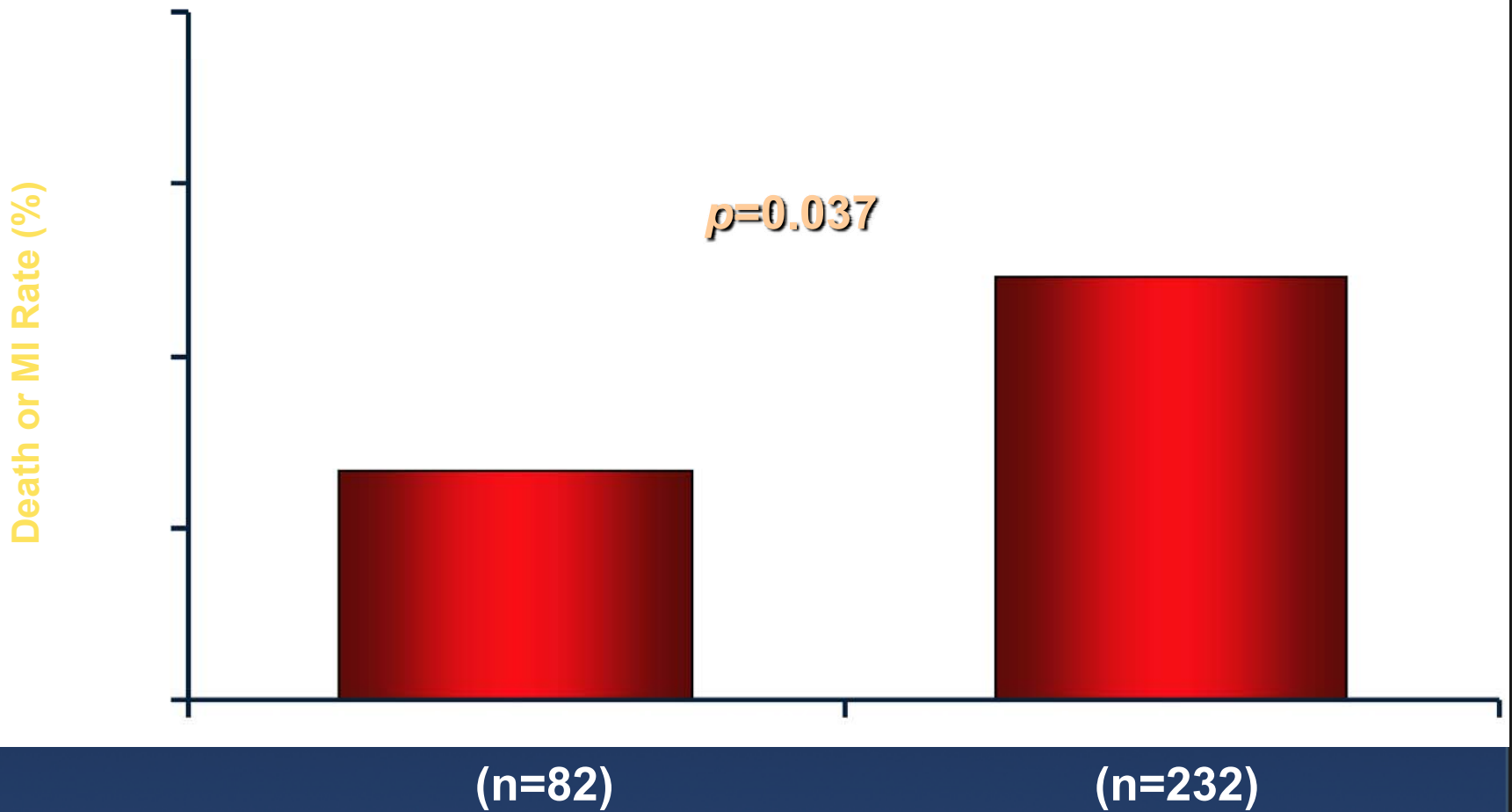
Rates of Death or MI by Residual Ischemia on 6-18m MPS

Death or MI Rate (%)





Rates of Death or MI by Ischemia Reduction



ISCHEMIA Trial Proposed Design

Ischemia-Eligible Stable Patient
(Stable CAD, Moderate-Severe Ischemia)

Blinded Coronary CTA

Eligible Anatomy?

CT Exclusion
Ancillary Study

NO

YES

RANDOMIZE

Invasive Strategy
(Cath with
Optimal Revasc + OMT)

OMT Strategy
(OMT Alone)

Five-year Survival with Balloon Angioplasty or Stents vs. Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting in Patients with Multivessel Disease

Study, Year (Reference)

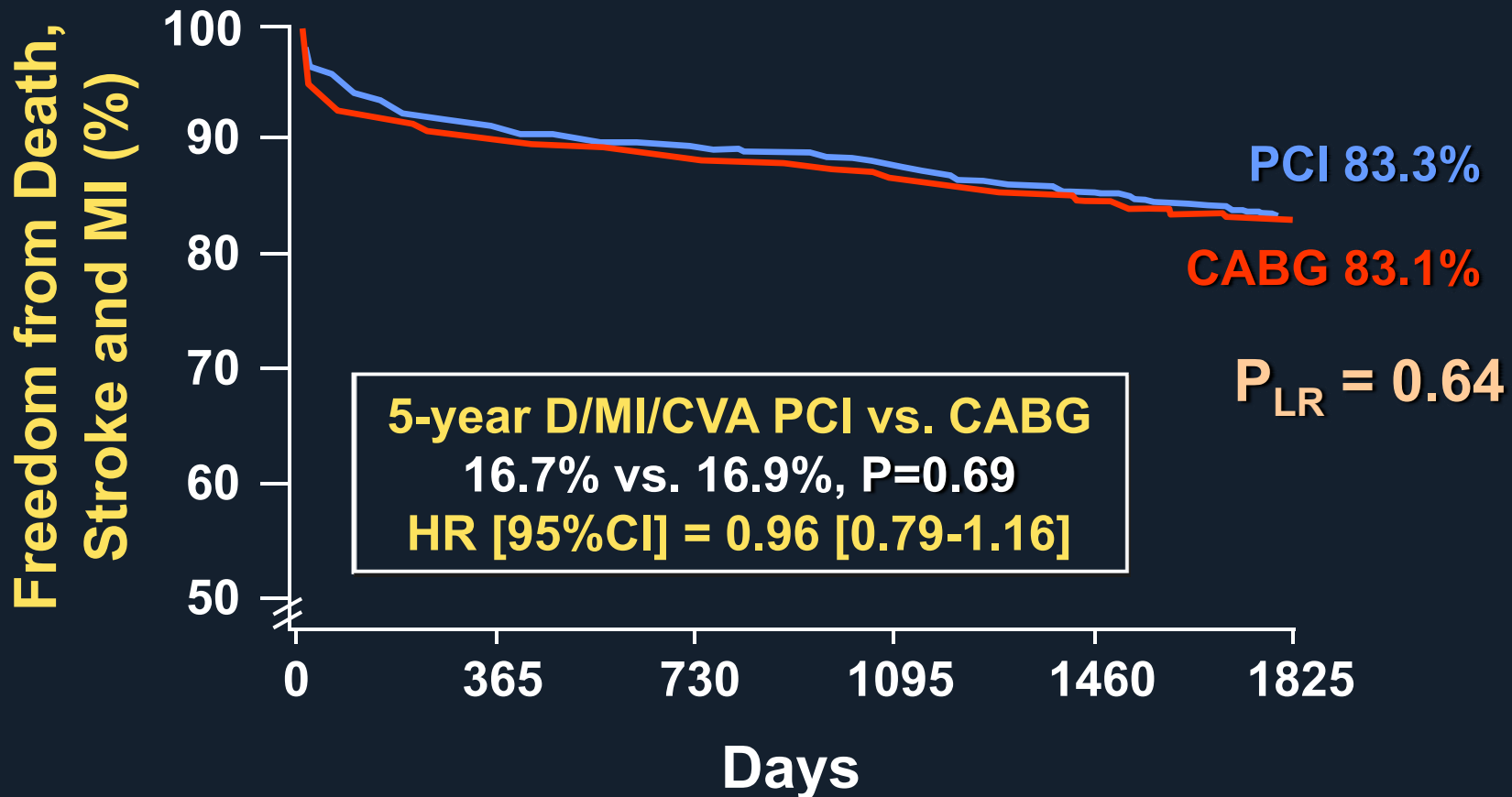
Surviving Patients/All Patients,
n/n

Risk Difference (95% CI)



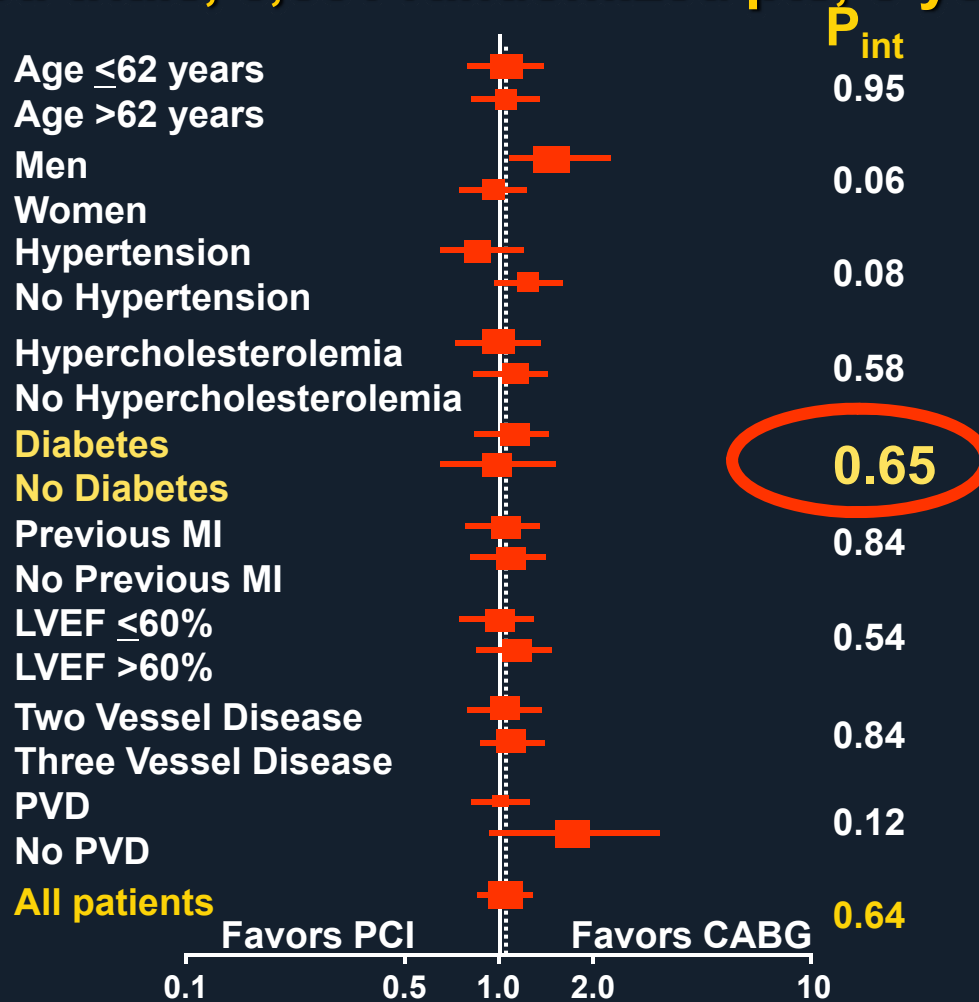
Bare Metal Stents vs. CABG

4 randomized trials, 3,051 randomized pts,
5-year follow-up (patient level pooled analysis)



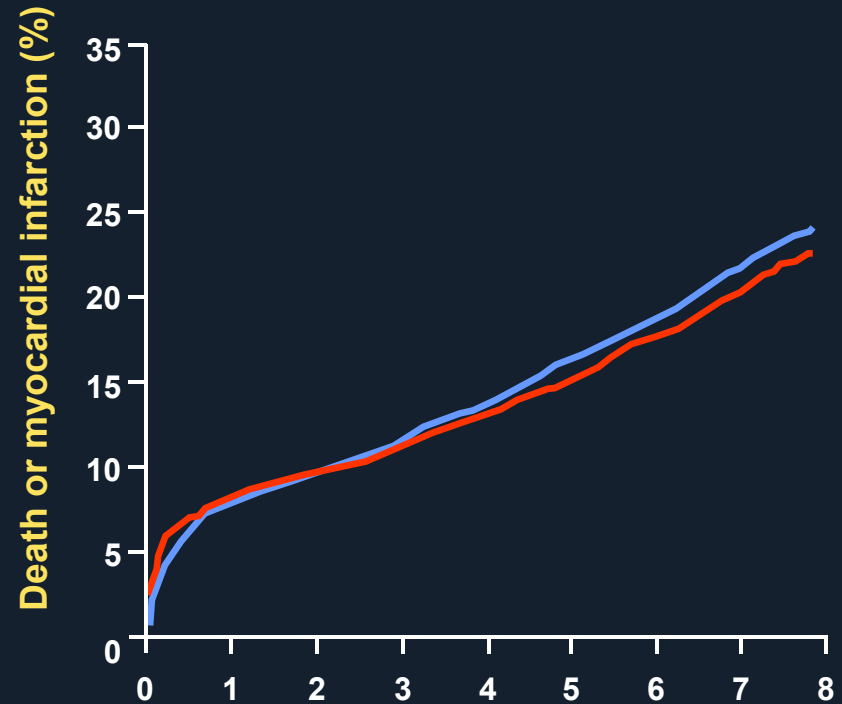
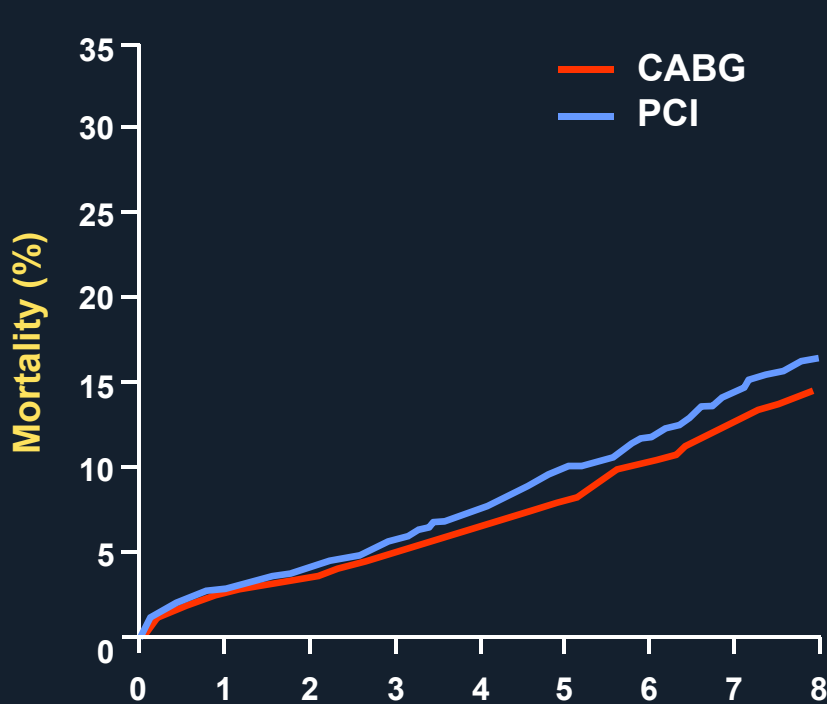
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Adjusted HR [95%CI] for death, stroke or MI

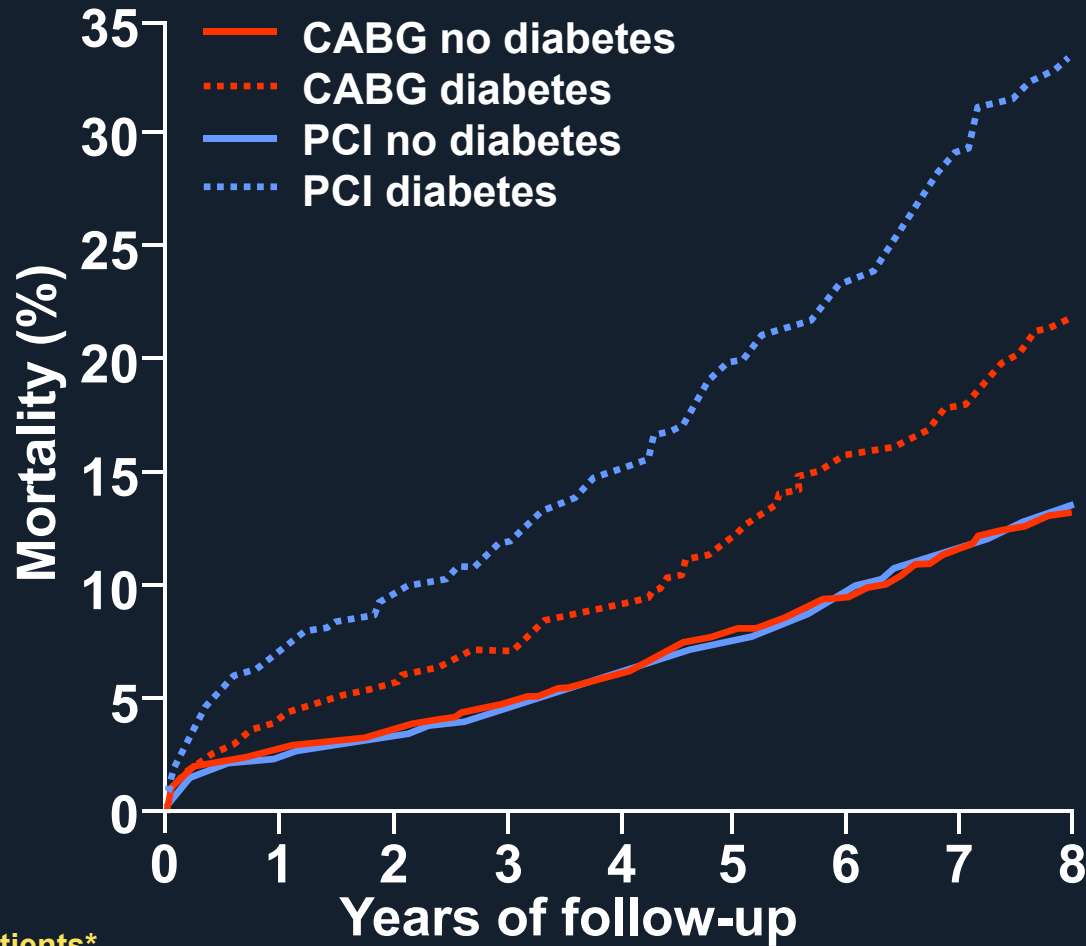
10 RCTs 7812 Pts: CABG vs. PCI: No Difference in Death and MI



No. of patients*

CABG	3889	3767	3675	3415	3180	2693	1853	1609	1477	CABG	3695	3369	3269	3001	2763	2294	1501	1269	1161
PCI	3923	3798	3709	3431	3205	2658	1828	1576	1452	PCI	3725	3419	3310	3023	2797	2267	1491	1253	1150

CABG vs PCI :Death and Diabetic Status



Number of patients*

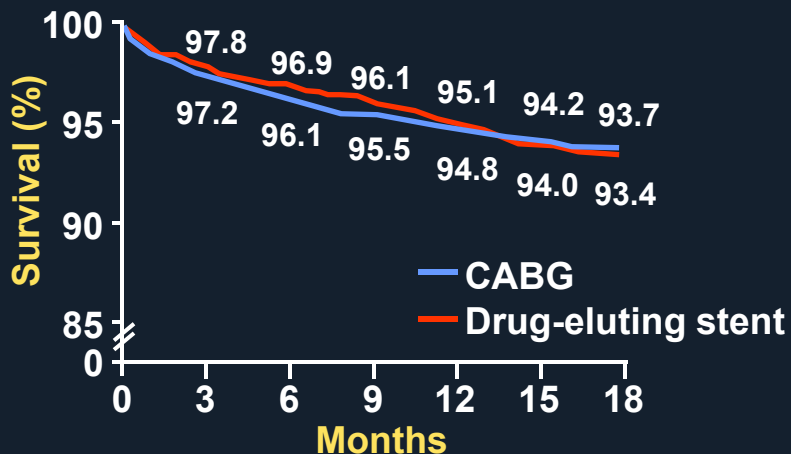
CABG no diabetes	3263	3169	3089	2877	2677	2267	1592	1380	1274
CABG diabetes	615	587	575	532	498	421	257	225	200
PCI no diabetes	3298	3217	3148	2918	2725	2281	1608	1393	1288
PCI diabetes	618	574	555	508	475	373	218	179	160

NY State Registries: DES vs CABG Unadjusted and Adjusted Mortality

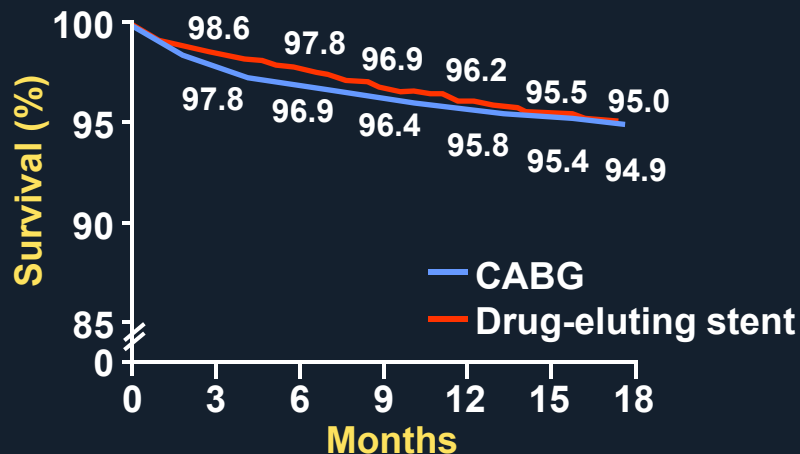
CABG=9963 DES=7437

Unadjusted

Three-vessel Disease

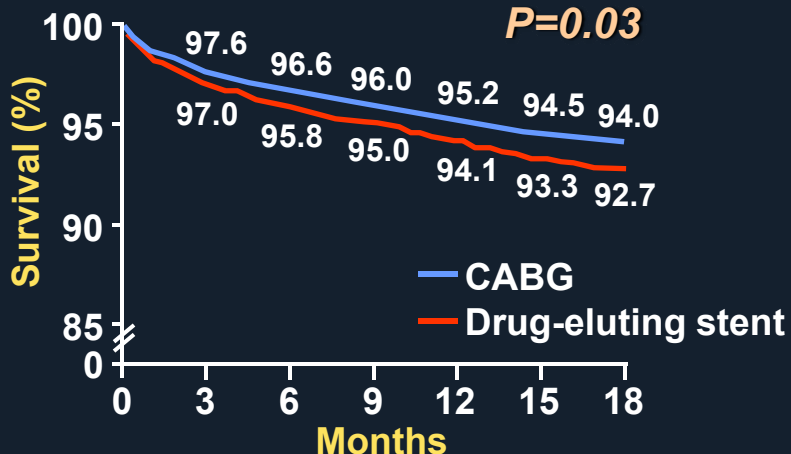


Two-vessel Disease

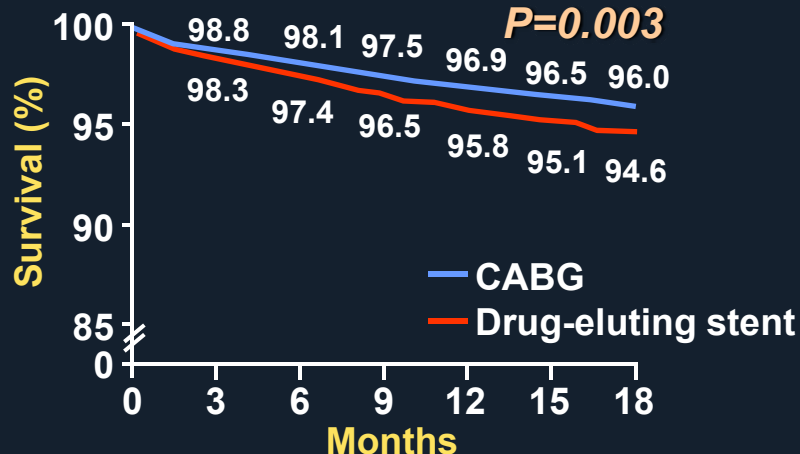


Adjusted

Three-vessel Disease

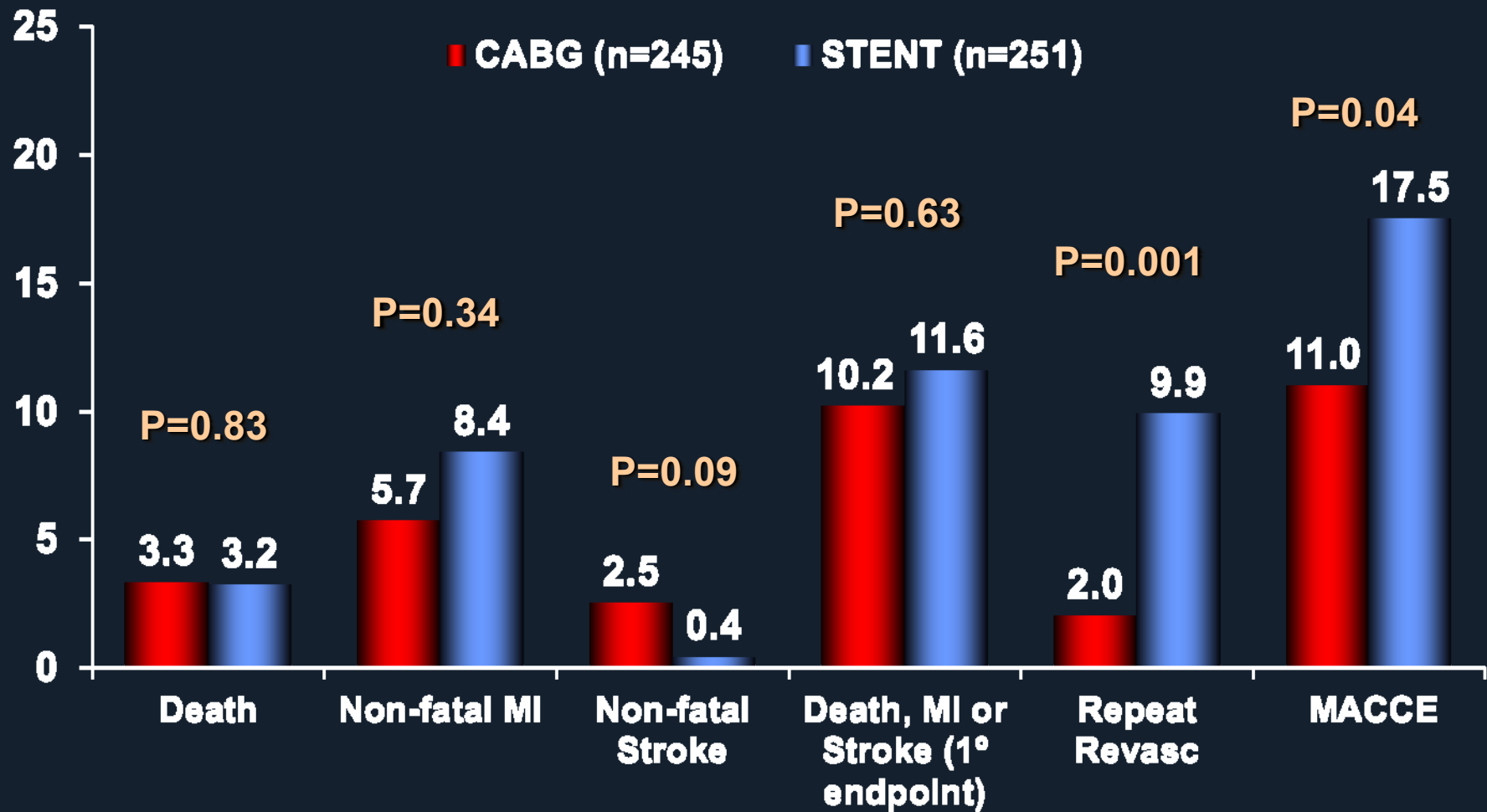


Two-vessel Disease



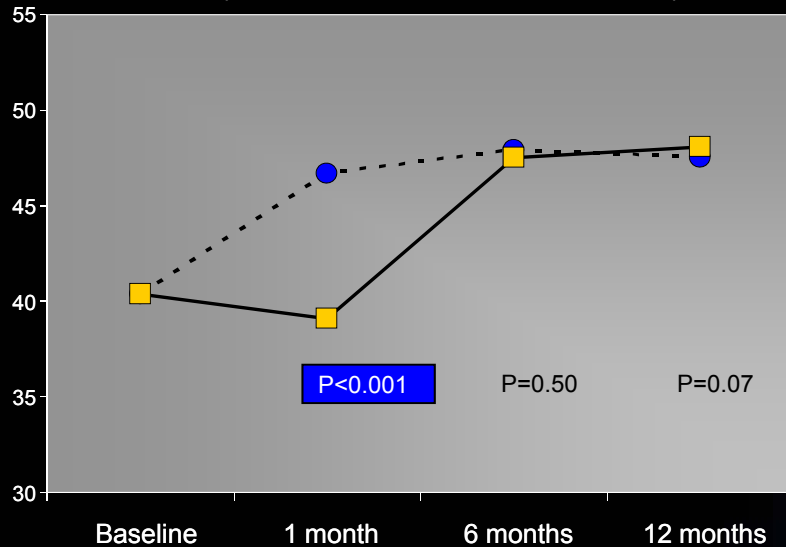
CARDia: 1-Year MACCE

61% 3VD (LM excluded) 31% IDDM

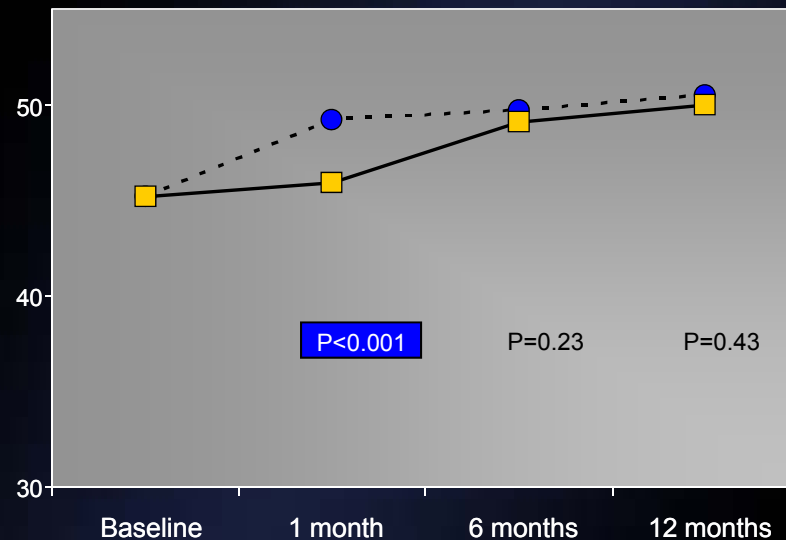


SYNTAX: Generic QOL and Utilities

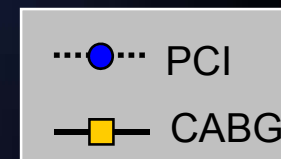
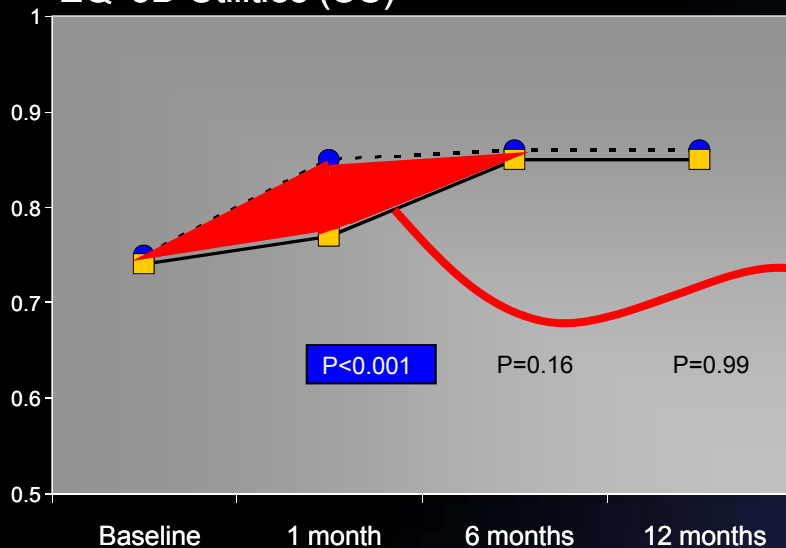
SF- 36 Physical Component Summary



SF- 36 Mental Component Summary



EQ- 5D Utilities (US)



Quality Adjusted Life Years
 $\Delta = 0.02$ (P<0.01)

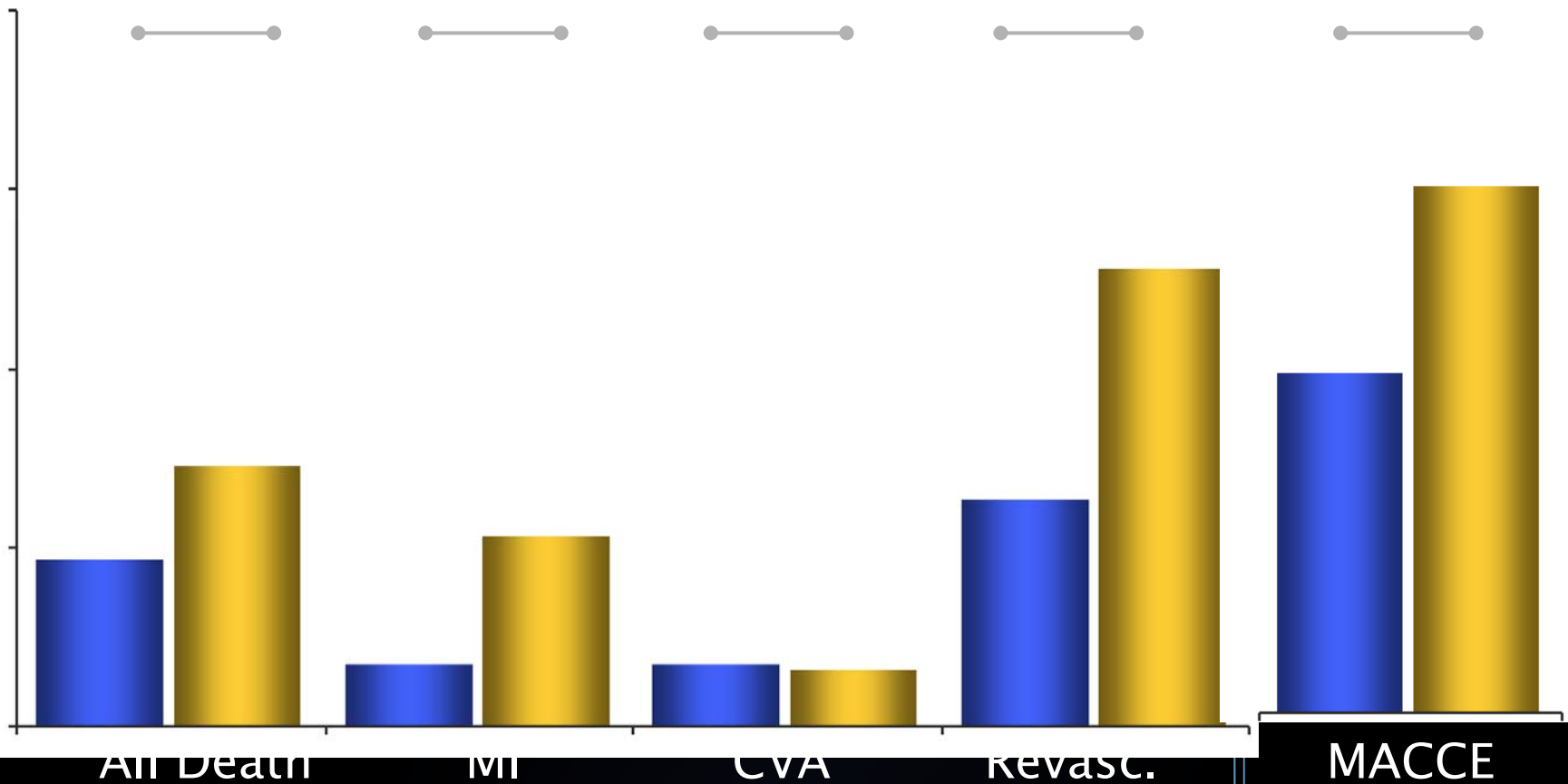
Cohen DJ et al. NEJM 2011;364:1016-26.

3VD Disease 5-year Outcomes (N=1095)

SYNTAX

CABG (n=549)

TAXUS (n=546)

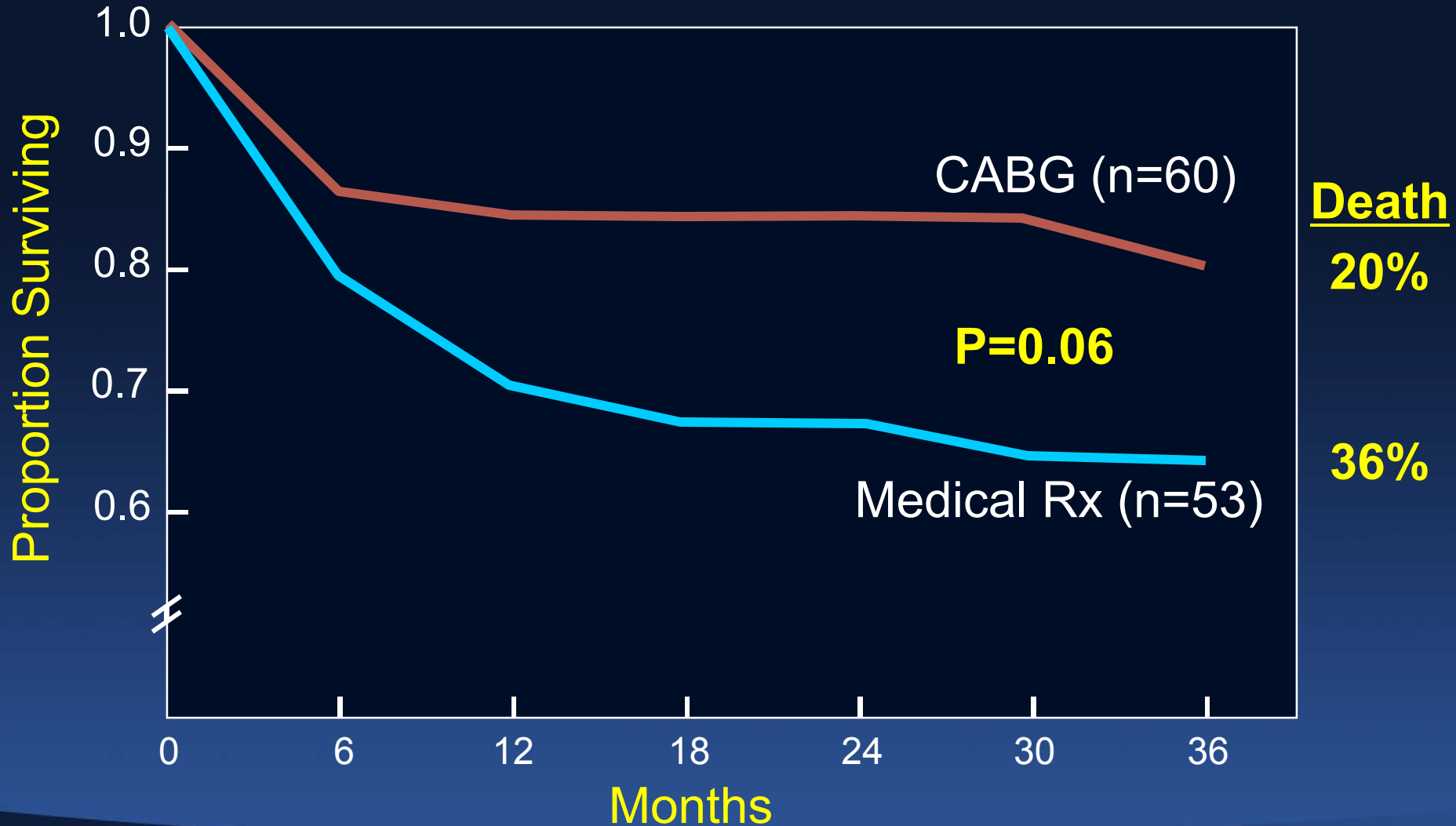


Cumulative KM Event Rate; log-rank *P* value

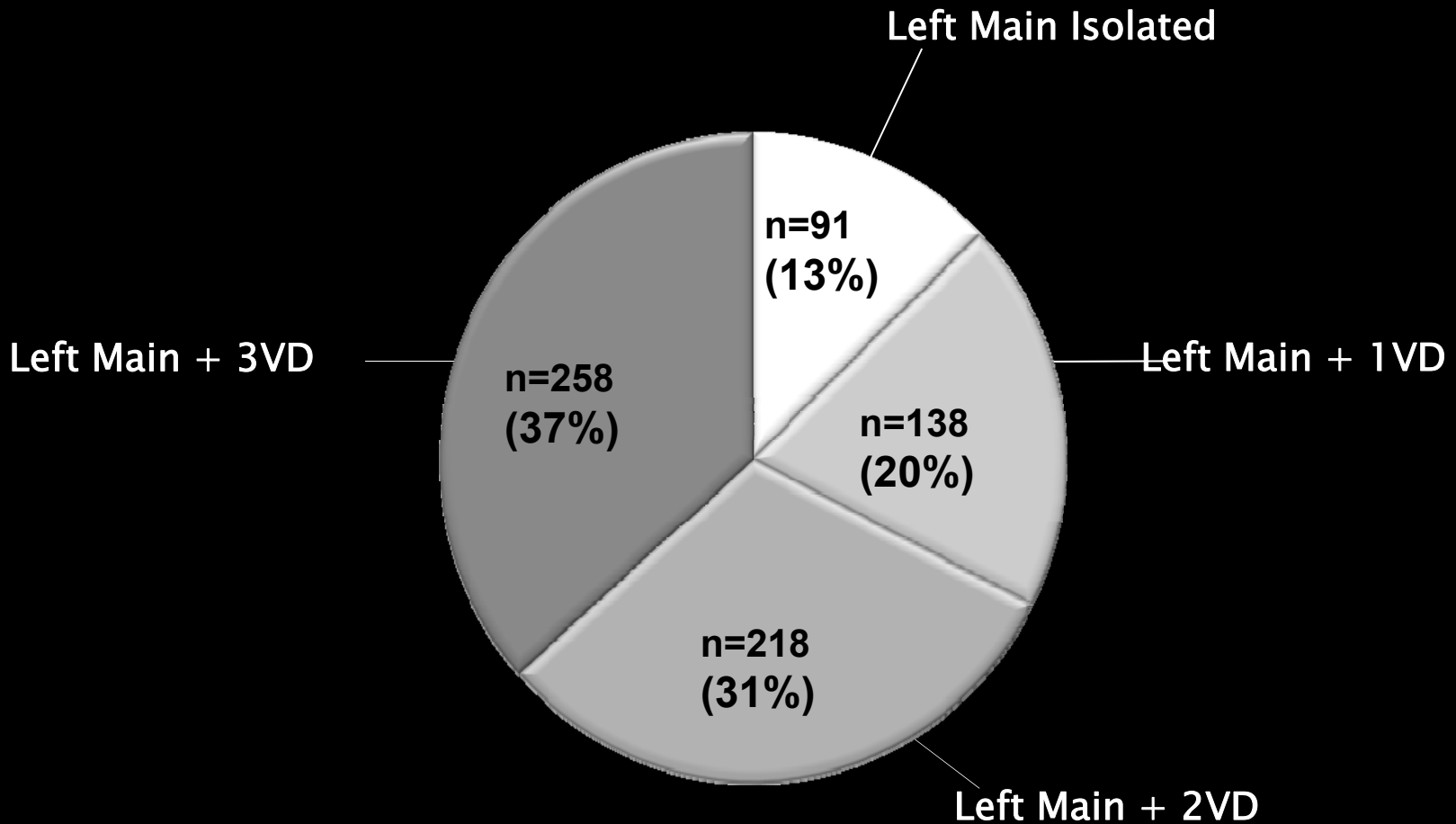
ITT population

- In randomized 3VD patients at 5 years:
 - Significantly higher rate of revascularization in the PCI group (12.6% CABG vs 26.4% PCI)
 - Overall MACCE in the PCI group was significantly higher than in CABG patients (24.2% CABG vs 37.5% PCI)
 - Overall safety outcomes (Death/CVA/MI) were significantly increased in PCI patients (14.0% CABG vs 22.0% PCI)
- Results notably affected by baseline lesion complexity
 - In low SYNTAX Scores (0–22), MACCE, all-cause death, and MI rates are comparable between treatment groups
 - Most importantly, in patients with intermediate (23–32) or high SYNTAX Scores (≥ 33), MACCE, mortality and MI are significantly higher compared to CABG at 5 years
- In contrast to PCI, surgical results at 5 years remain excellent and unaffected by baseline lesion complexity

VA Randomized Trial (n=113) LM Stenosis



Heterogeneity in the Left Main Group



Patient Characteristics

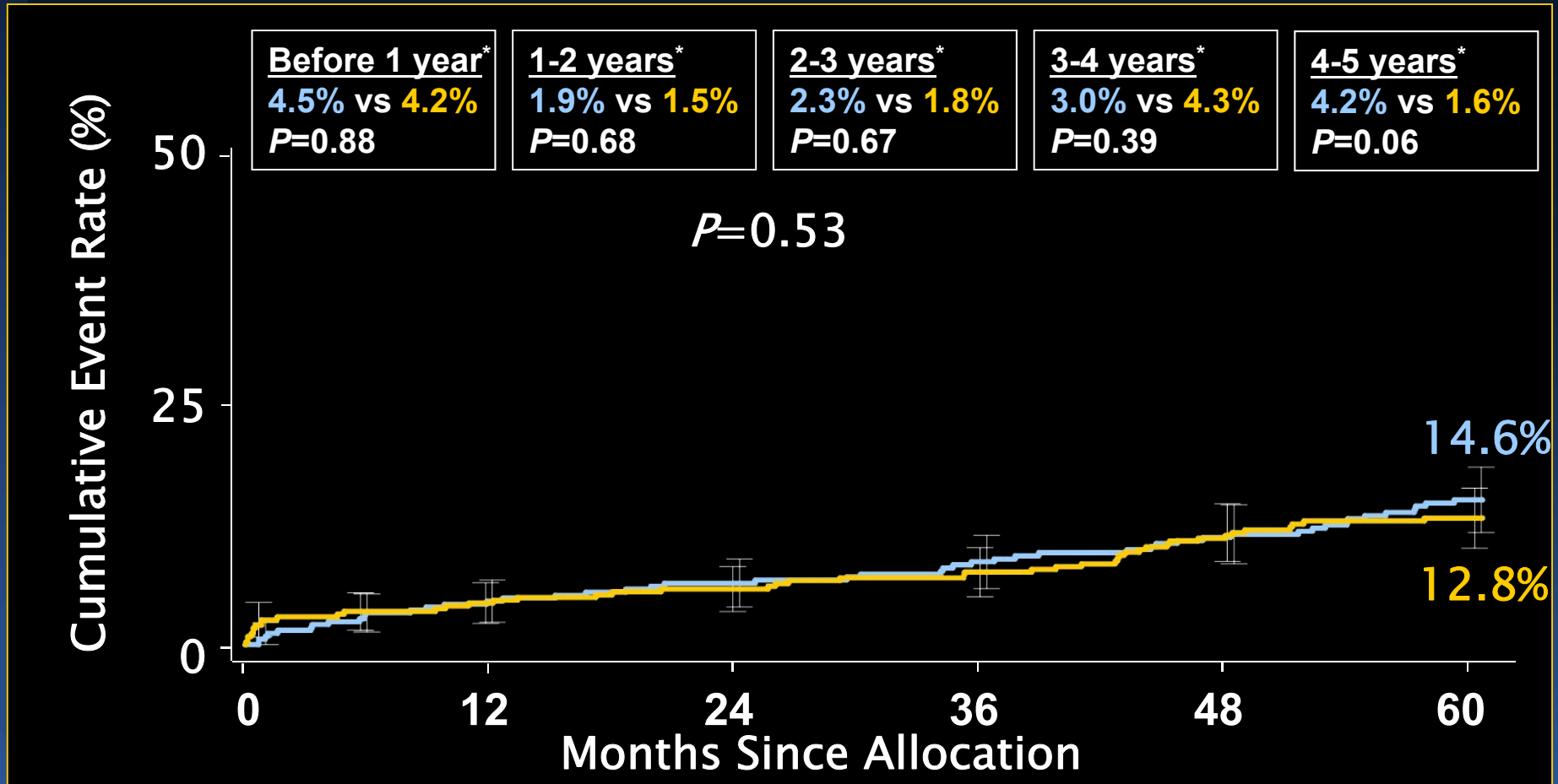
LM Subset

	CABG N=348	TAXUS N=357	P value
Age*, mean \pm SD (y)	65.6 \pm 10.1	65.4 \pm 9.8	0.78
Medically treated diabetes*, %	22.4	21.8	0.86
BMI, mean \pm SD	27.7 \pm 5.0	28.2 \pm 4.9	0.24
Additive euroSCORE*, mean \pm SD	3.9 \pm 2.9	3.9 \pm 2.8	0.91
Total Parsonnet score*, mean \pm SD	9.1 \pm 7.4	8.9 \pm 7.8	0.77
Total SYNTAX Score, mean \pm SD	26.7 \pm 11.5	28.1 \pm 12.4	0.13
No. lesions, mean \pm SD	3.2 \pm 1.9	3.3 \pm 1.8	0.89

All-Cause Death to 5 Years Left Main Subset

■ CABG (N=348)

■ TAXUS (N=357)

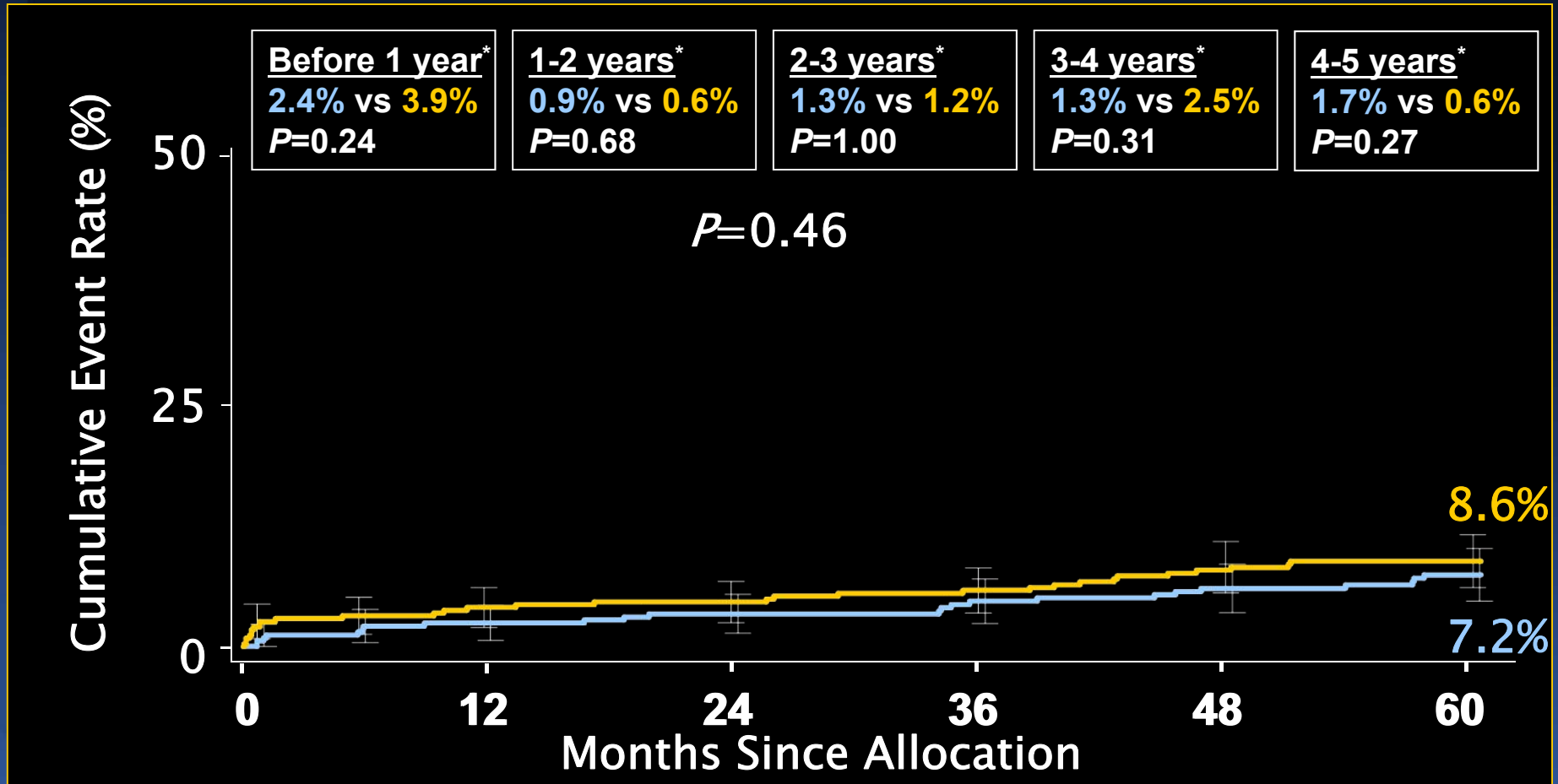


Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value; *Binary rates

Cardiac Death to 5 Years Left Main Subset

■ CABG (N=348)

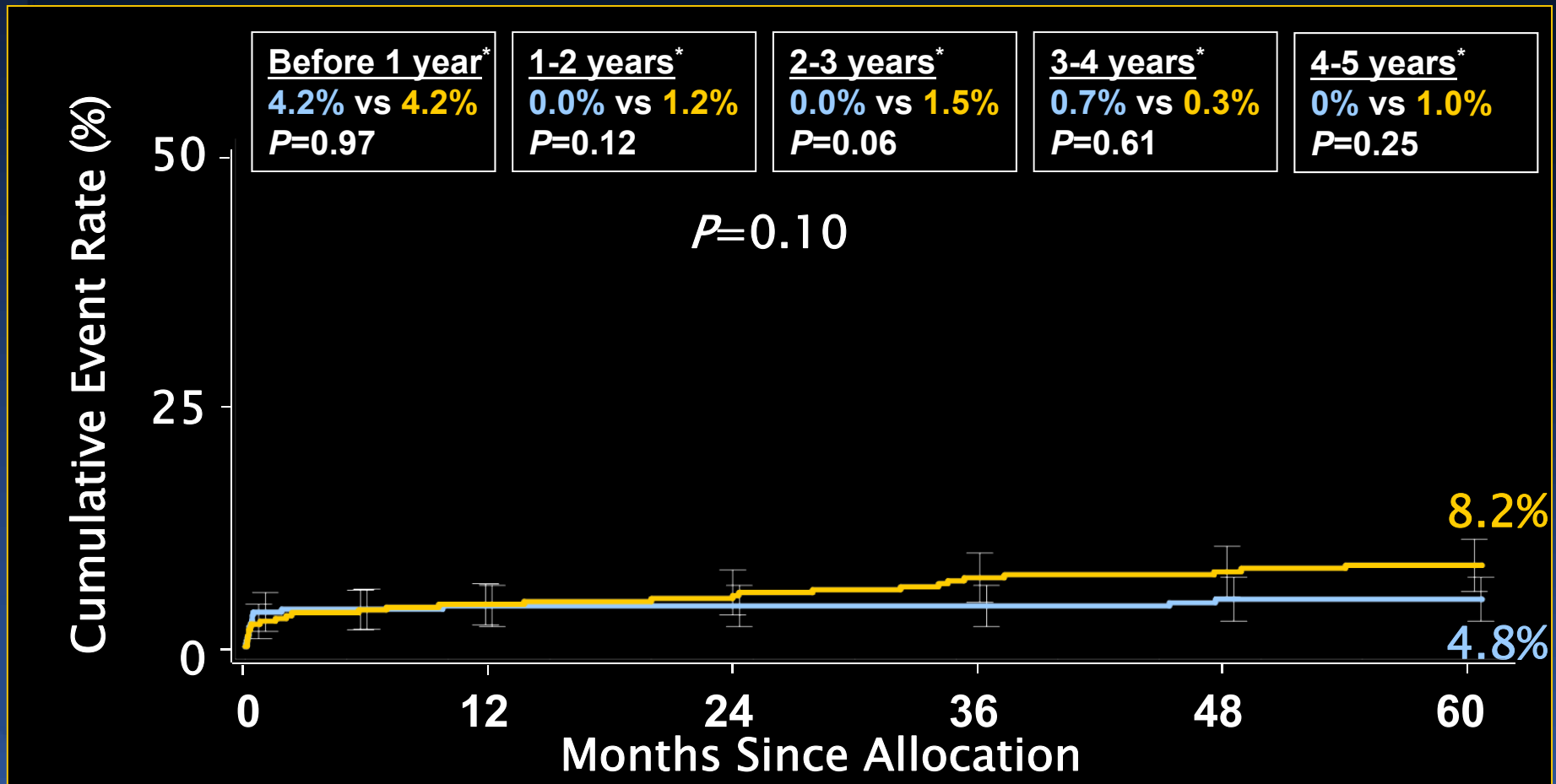
■ TAXUS (N=357)



Myocardial Infarction to 5 Years *Left Main Subset*

■ CABG (N=348)

■ TAXUS (N=357)

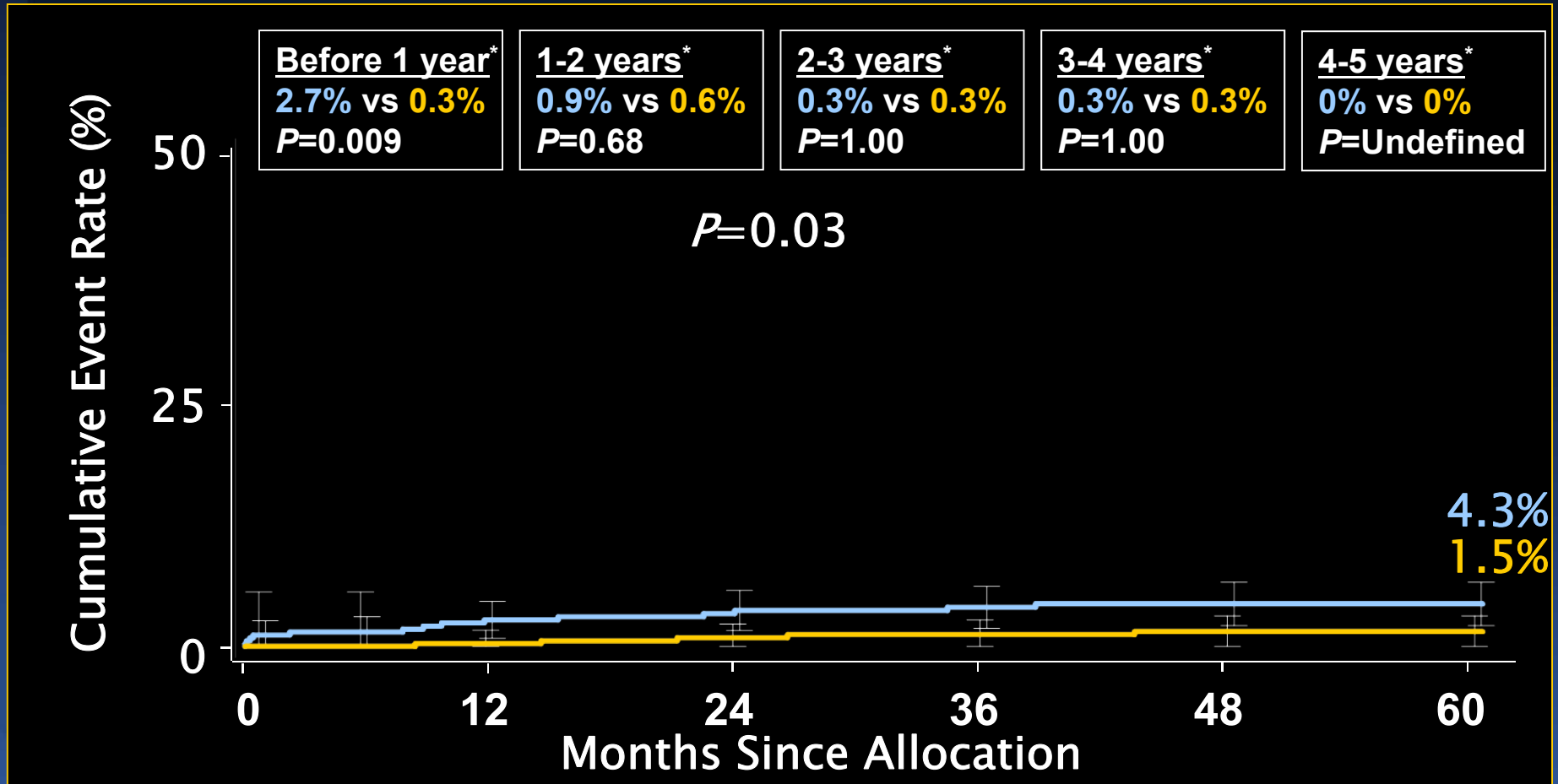


Cumulative KM Event Rate \pm 1.5 SE; log-rank P value; *Binary rates

CVA to 5 Years Left Main Subset

■ CABG (N=348)

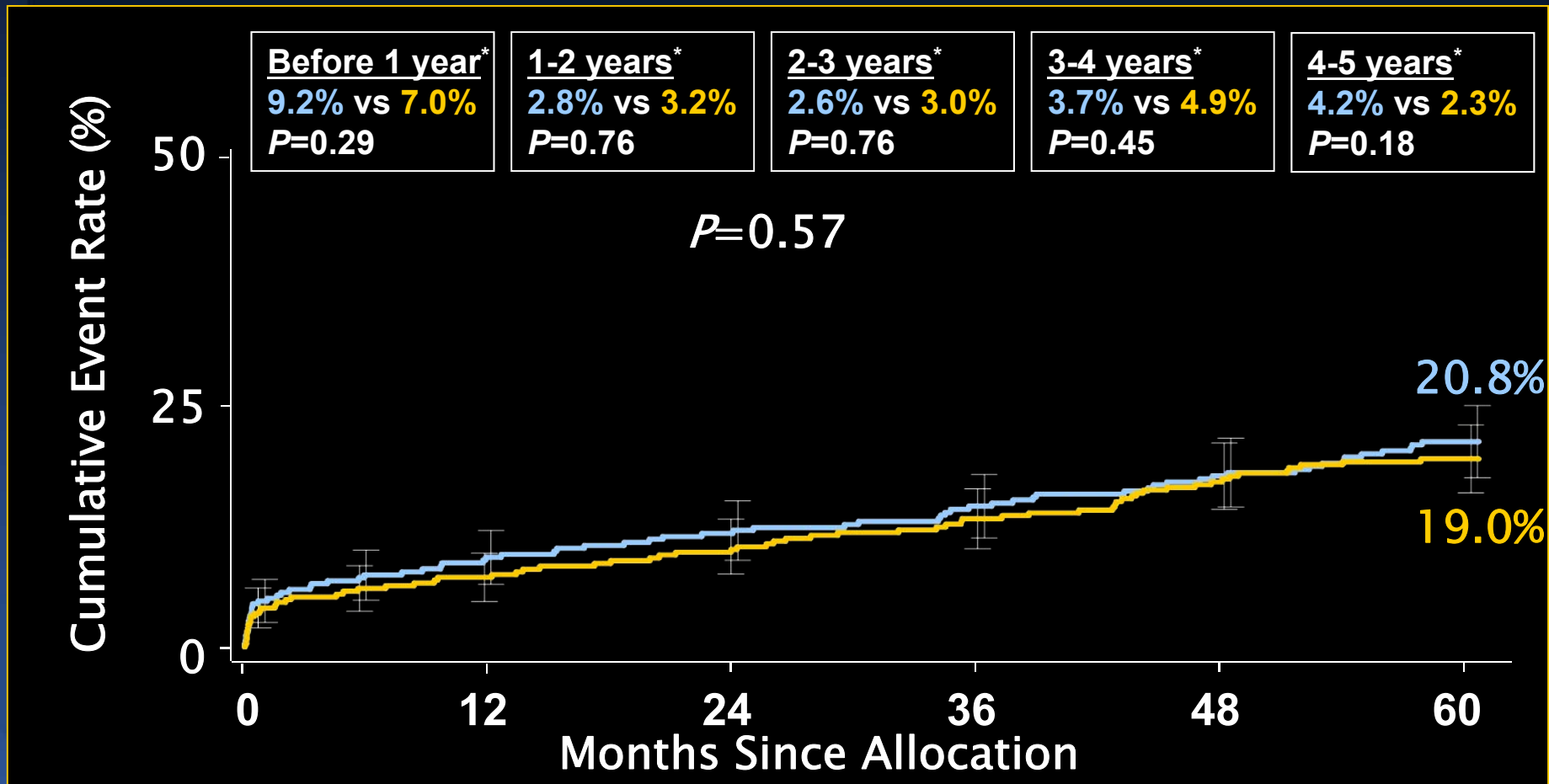
■ TAXUS (N=357)



All-Cause Death/CVA/MI to 5 Years *Left Main Subset*

■ CABG (N=348)

■ TAXUS (N=357)

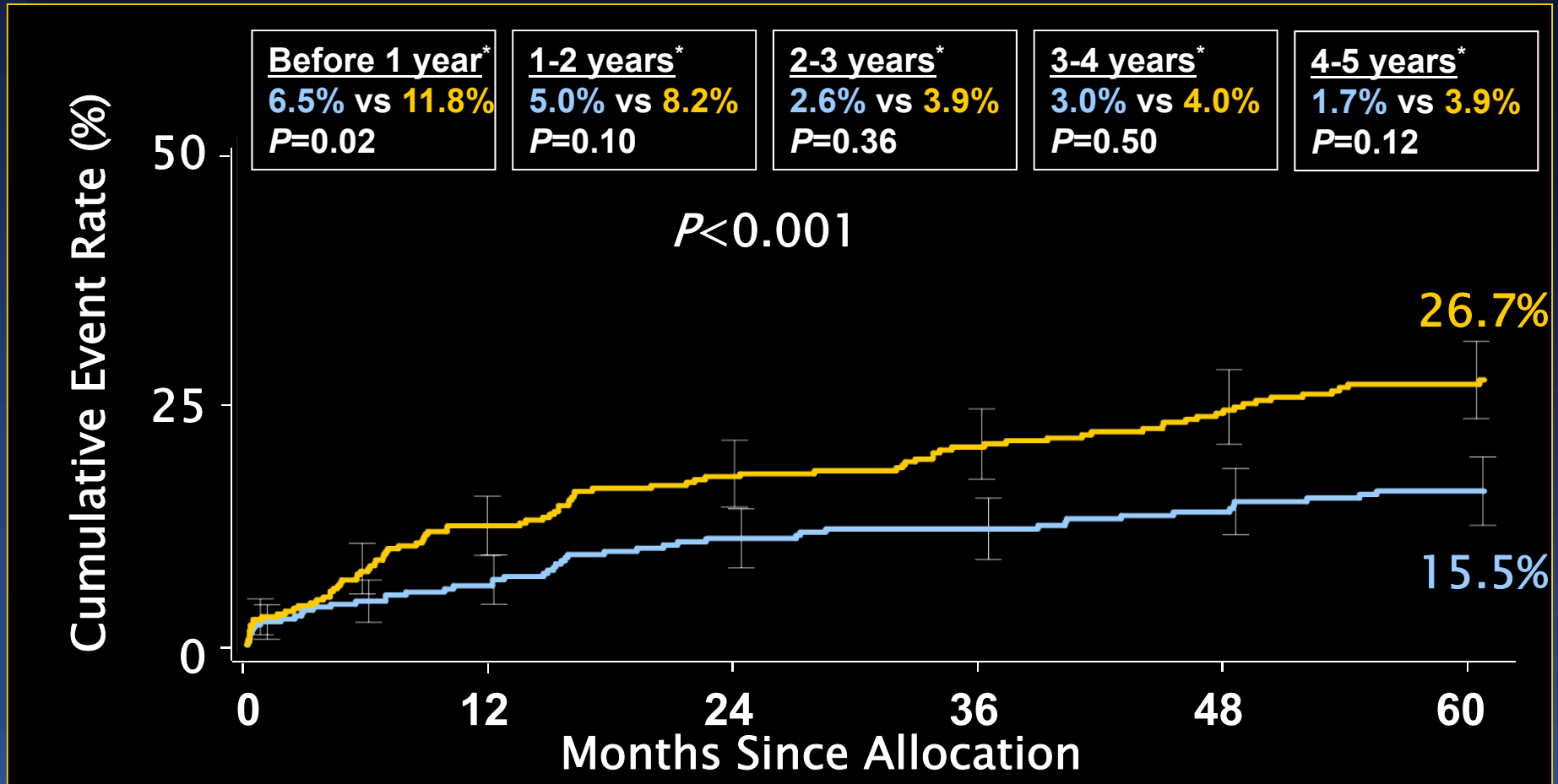


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Repeat Revascularization to 5 Years Left Main Subset

■ CABG (N=348)

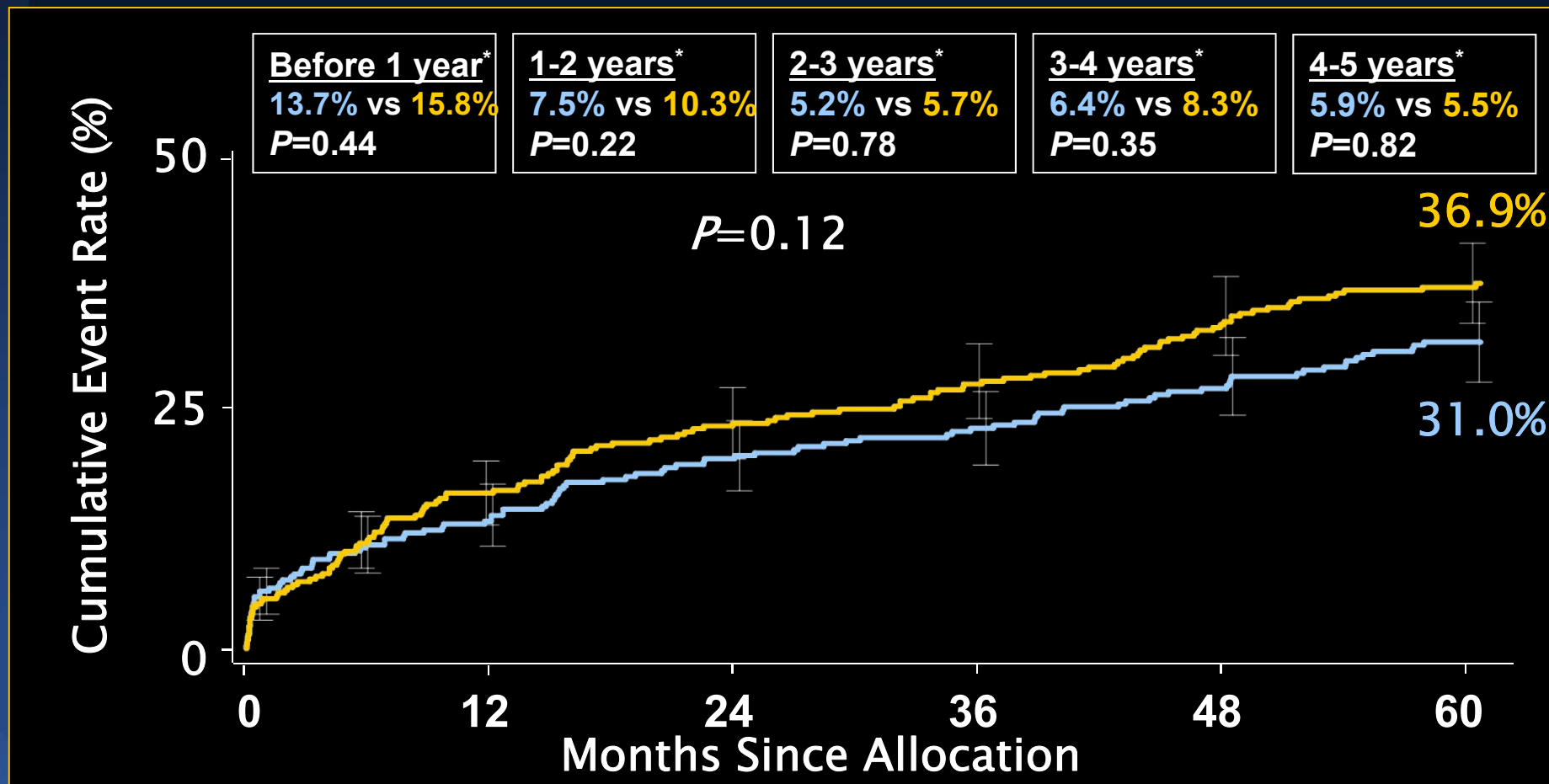
■ TAXUS (N=357)



MACCE to 5 Years *Left Main Subset*

■ CABG (N=348)

■ TAXUS (N=357)



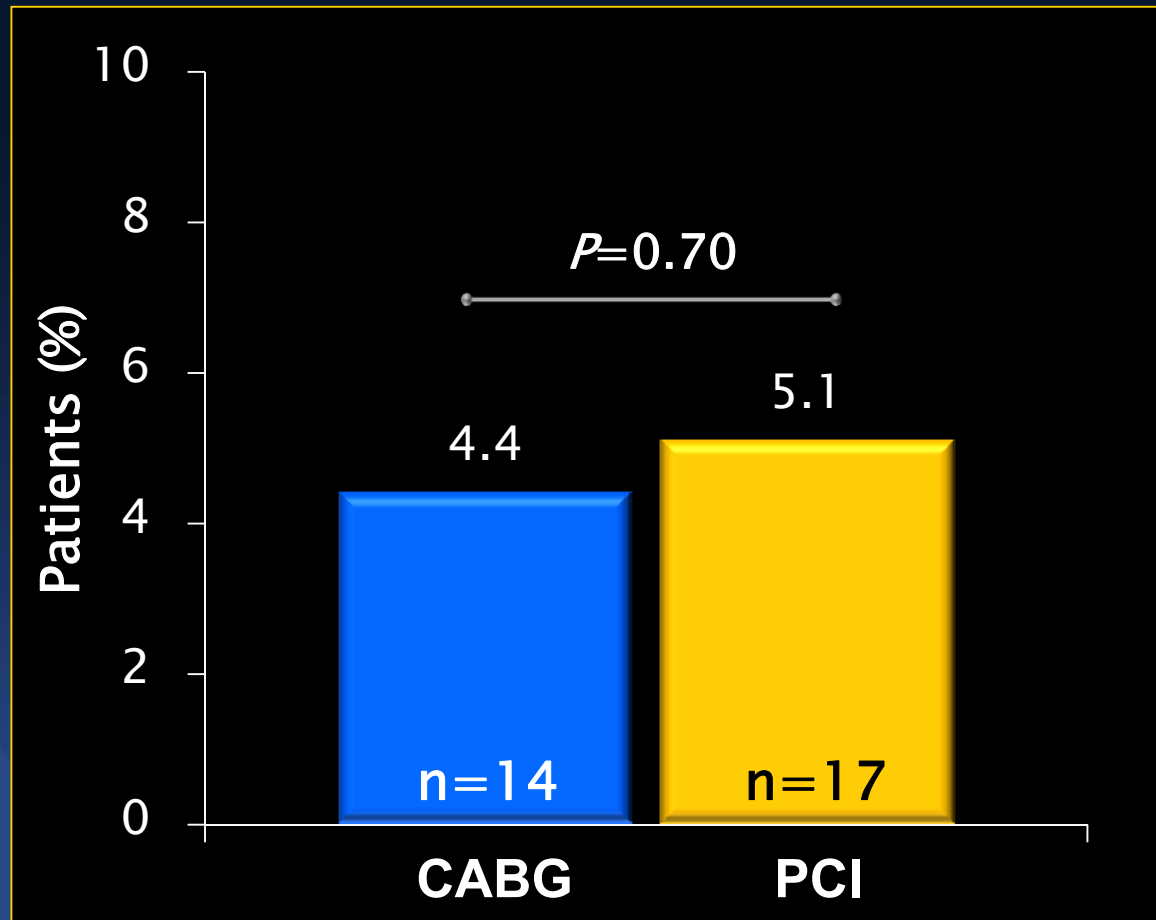
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Symptomatic Graft Occlusion & Stent Thrombosis to 5 Years

LM Subset

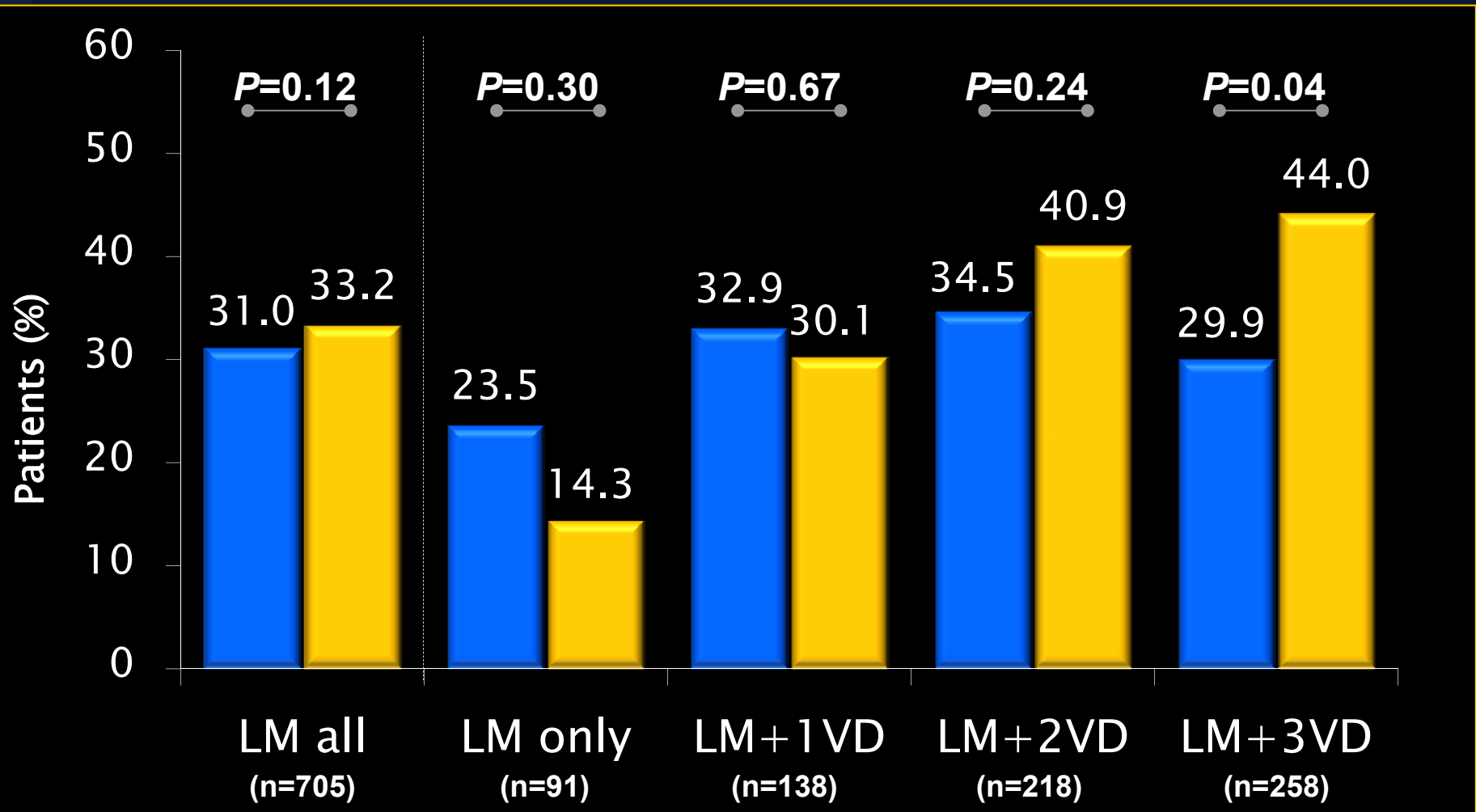
■ CABG (n=348)

■ TAXUS (n=357)



MACCE to 5 Years *Left Main Subsets*

■ CABG ■ TAXUS

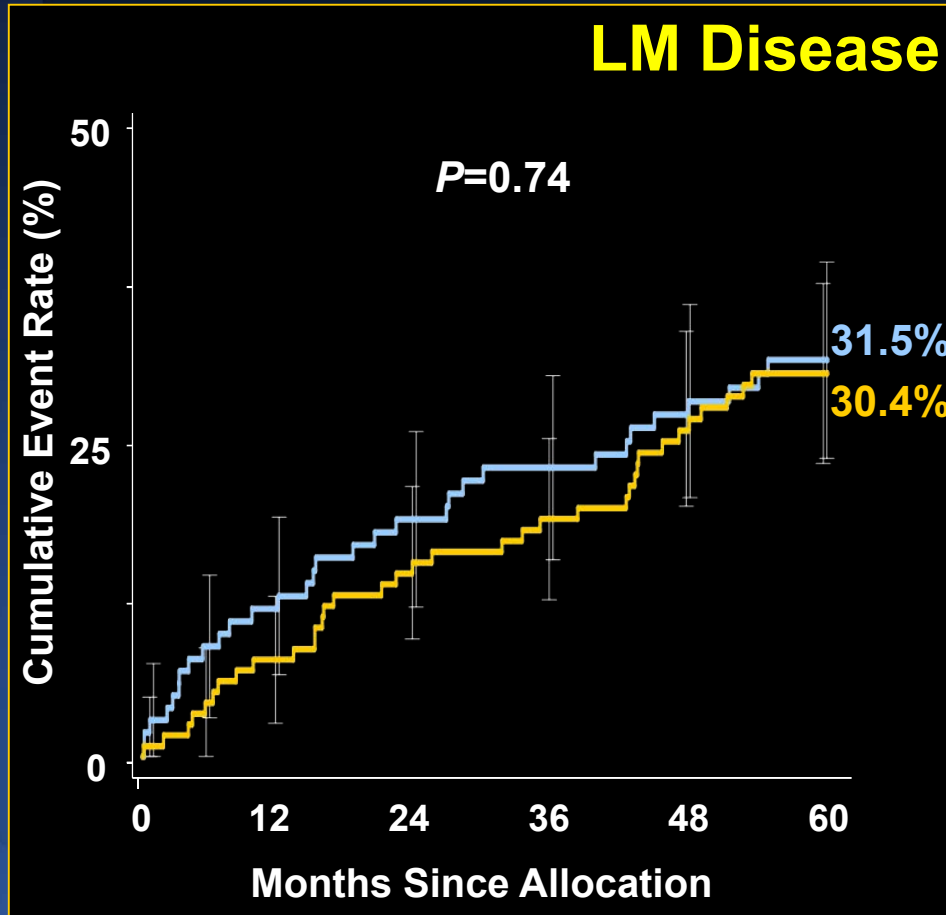


Cumulative KM Event Rate; log-rank P value

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile LM Subset *Low Scores 0-22*

 CABG (N=104)

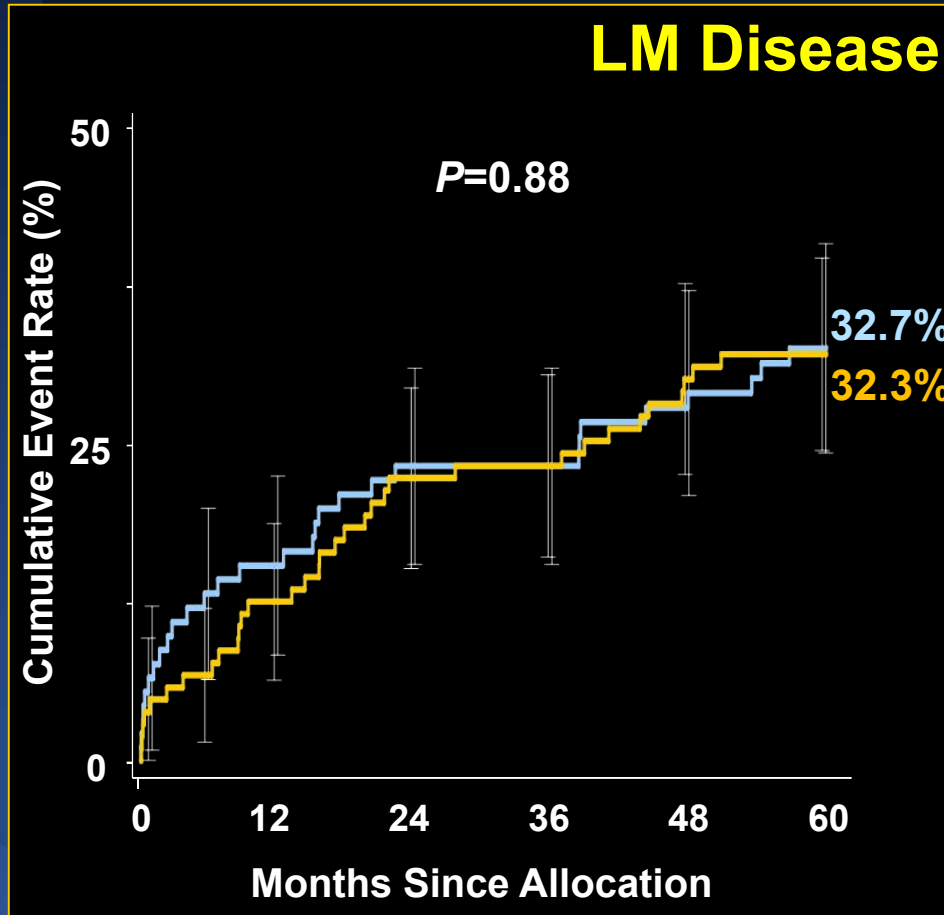
 TAXUS (N=118)



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	11.3%	7.0%	0.28
CVA	4.1%	1.8%	0.28
MI	3.1%	6.2%	0.32
Death, CVA or MI	15.2%	13.9%	0.71
Revasc.	20.3%	23.0%	0.65

MACCE to 5 Years by SYNTAX Score Tercile LM Subset *Intermediate Scores 23-32*

■ CABG (N=92)
■ TAXUS (N=103)



	CABG	PCI	P value
Death	19.3%	8.9%	0.04
CVA	3.6%	1.0%	0.23
MI	4.6%	6.0%	0.71
Death, CVA or MI	24.9%	15.7%	0.11
Revasc.	16.6%	22.2%	0.40

Summary

Left Main Subset

- At 5 years, overall MACCE in the PCI group was comparable with CABG (31.0% CABG vs 36.9% PCI)
- Similar overall safety outcomes (Death/CVA/MI) between CABG and PCI at 5 years (20.8% CABG vs 19.0% PCI)
- There was a higher rate of revascularization in the PCI group (15.5% CABG vs 26.7% PCI), driven primarily by patients with high baseline SYNTAX scores
- A higher rate of CVA in the CABG group (4.3% CABG vs 1.5% PCI) was driven mostly by periprocedural events, with no difference between groups after 1 year
- PCI outcomes are excellent relative to CABG in LM isolated and LM+1VD

Conclusions

For patients with left main disease

- Revascularization with PCI has comparable safety and efficacy outcomes to CABG
- PCI is therefore a reasonable treatment alternative in this patient population, in particular, when the SYNTAX Score is low (≤ 22) or intermediate (23–32)

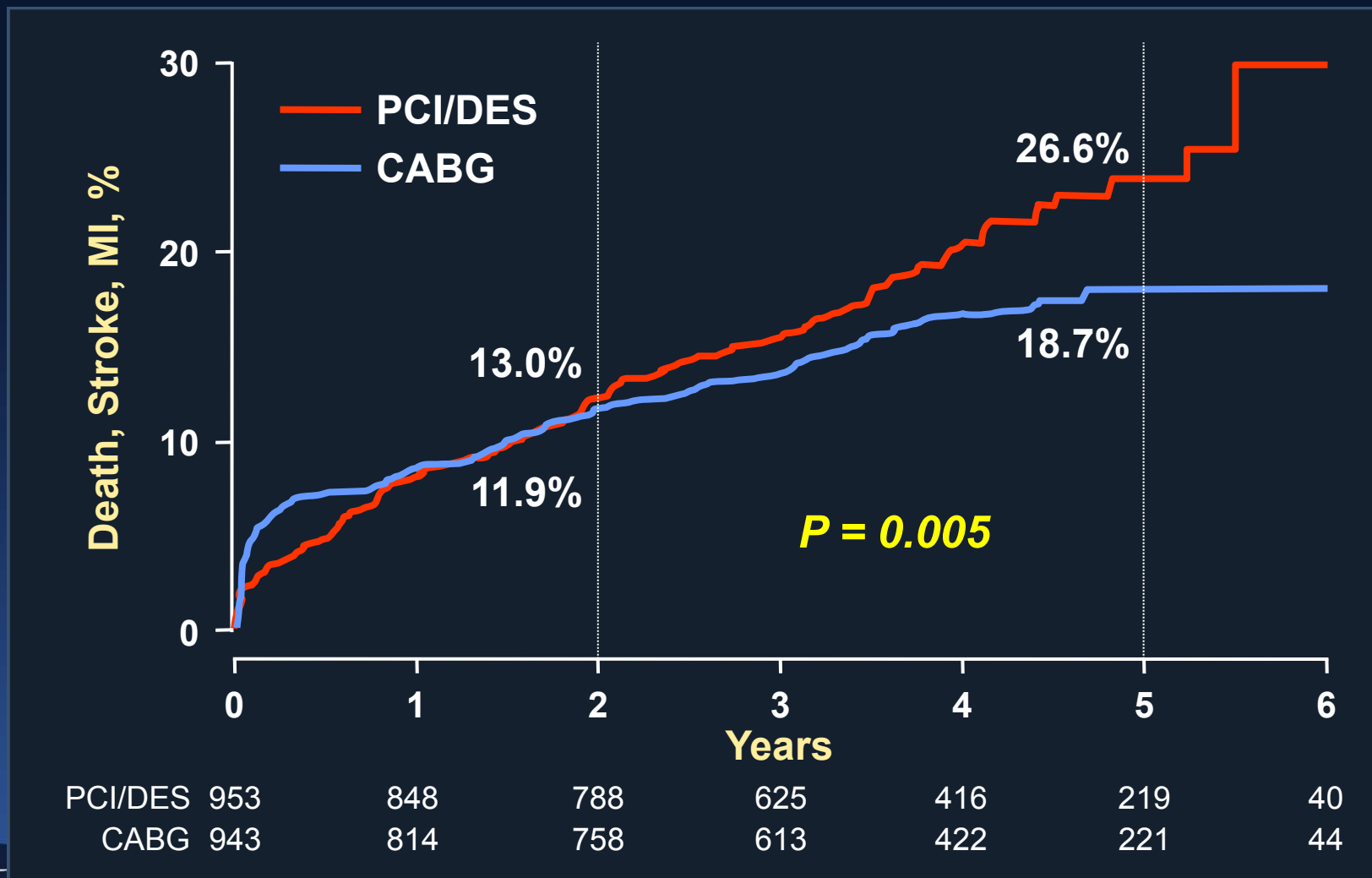
Backups

PCI and CABG Post-SYNTAX

- Each strategy can have great outcomes in appropriately selected patients
- What outcomes are important?
 - Repeat procedures with PCI
 - Increased morbidity with CABG
- Site-specific differences
- Anatomic and patient factors
- Patient preferences

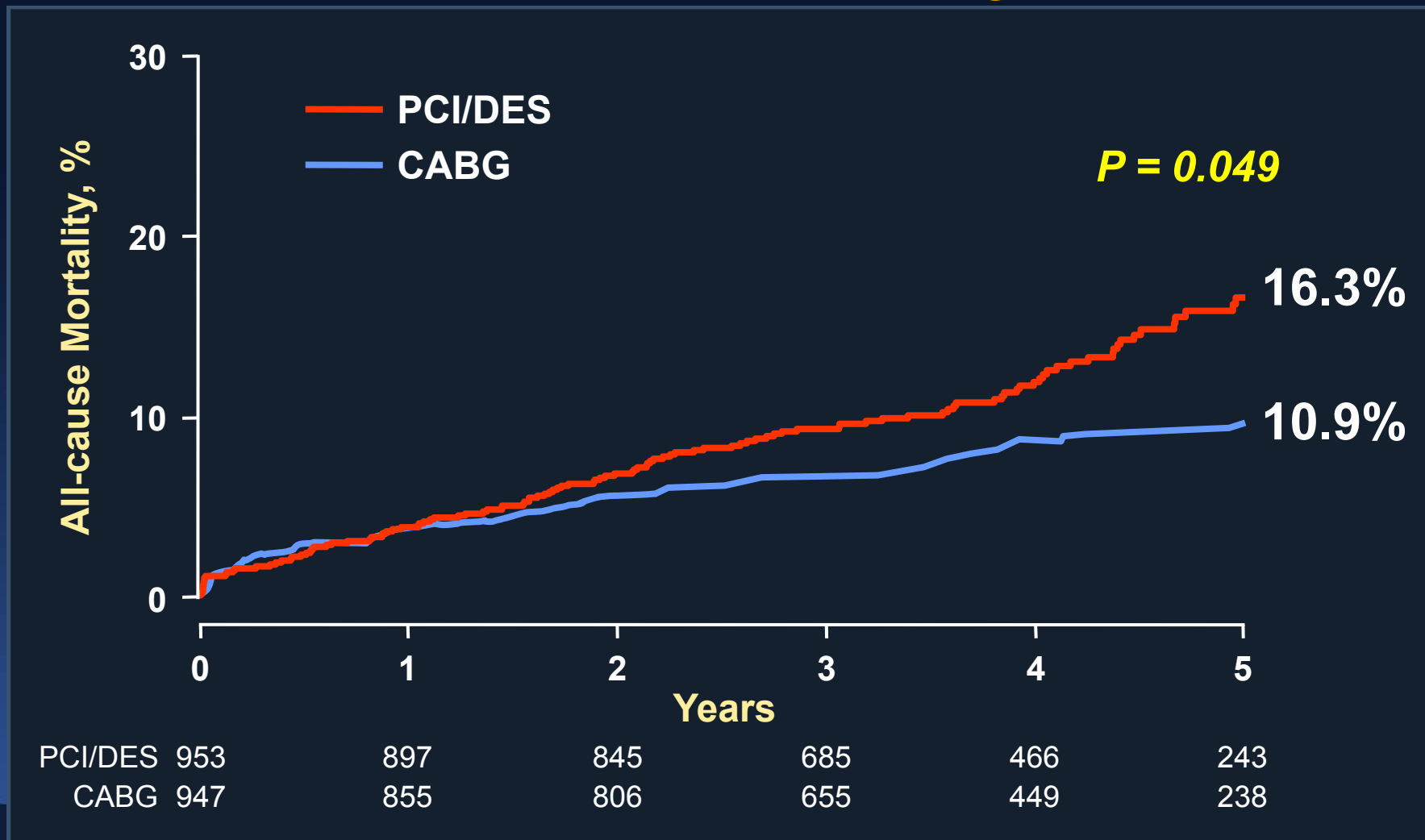


FREEDOM: 1900 pts with diabetes +MVD randomized to SES/PES vs. CABG **1° Endpoint:** Death, Stroke, or MI



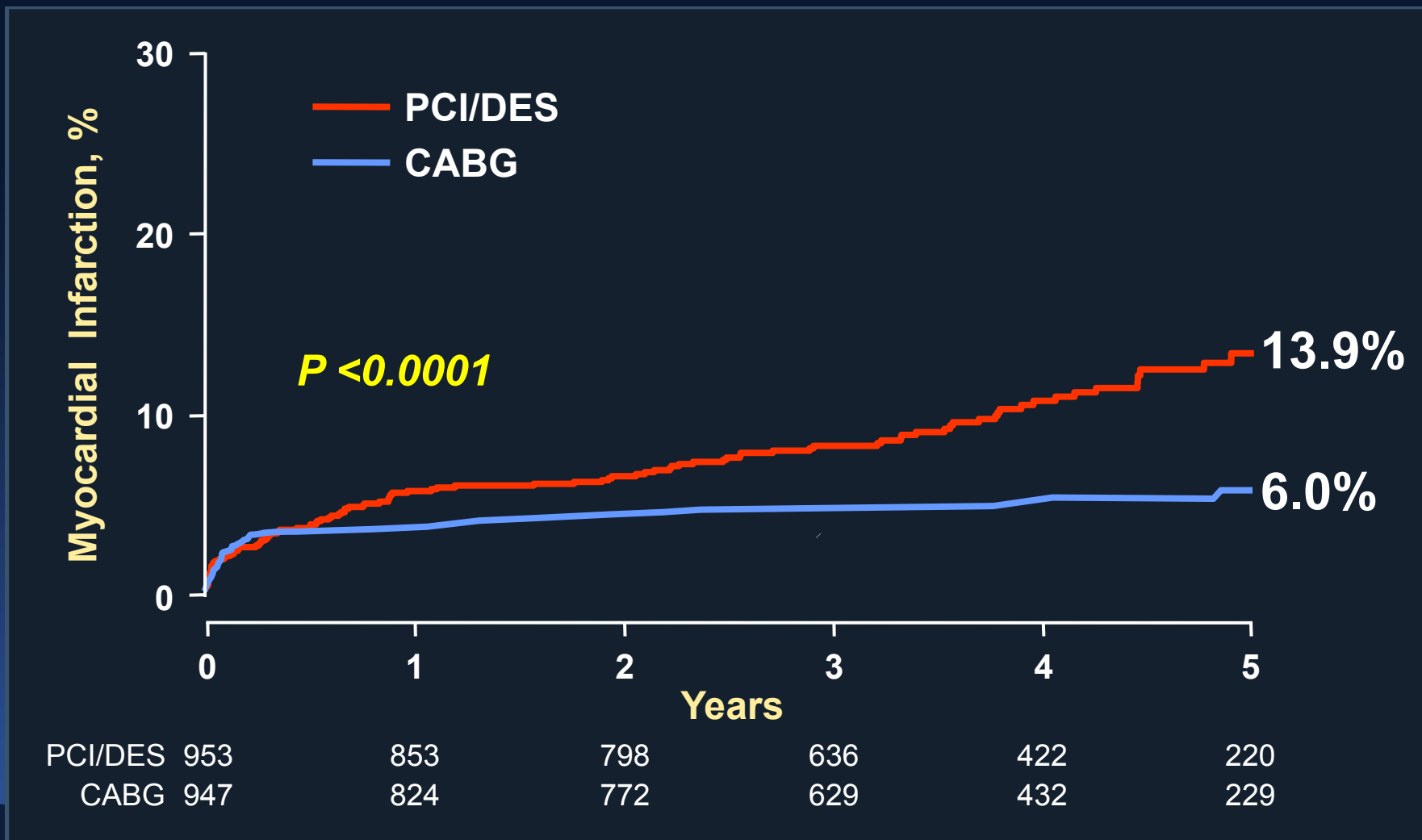


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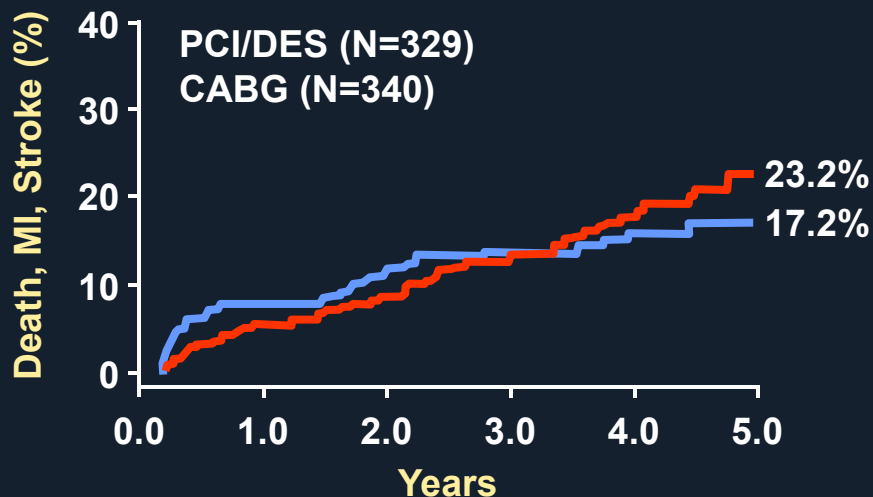
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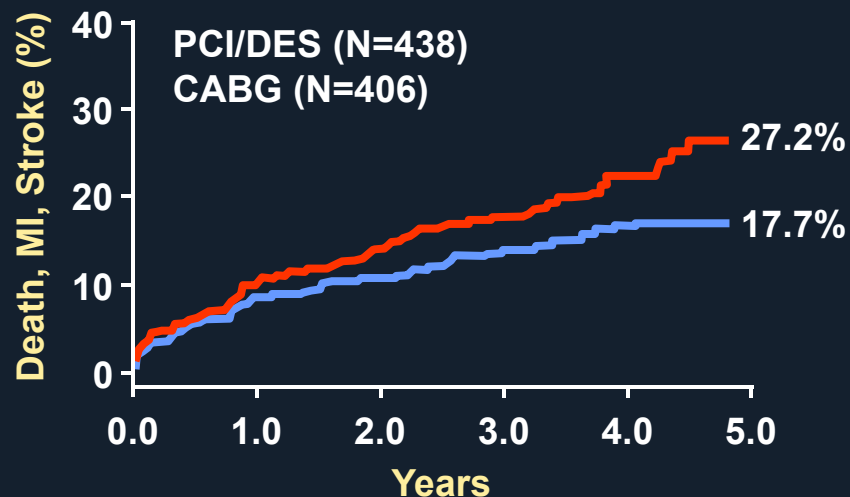


Death, Stroke, MI by Syntax Score

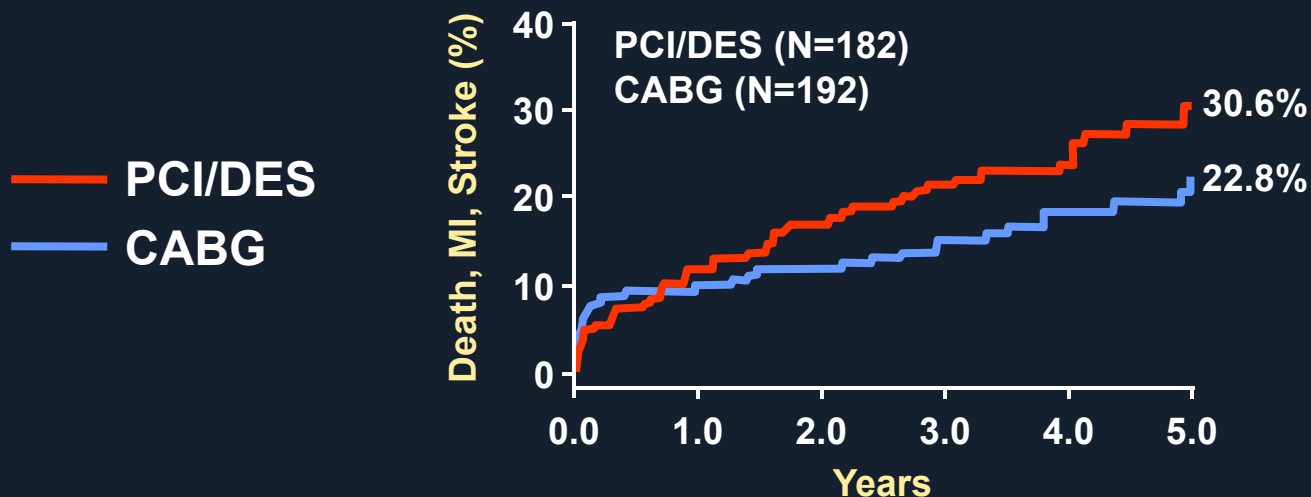
SYNTAX Score ≤ 22 (N=669)



SYNTAX Score 23-32 (N=844)



SYNTAX Score ≥ 33 (N=374)



$P_{int} = 0.58$

— PCI/DES
— CABG



Other notes about **FREEDOM**

- 3VD: 86%
- Mean 5.7 lesions per pt
- Mean 3.5 lesions per pt stented
 - CTOs: only 6% of pts
- Prior stroke: only 3% of pts

What is Great about CABG (The Gold Standard for Multivessel Disease)

- One-stop shopping with a lasting procedure and data (both vs. PCI AND vs. OMT) in its favor!
- Complete / Difficult revascularization is more easily achievable
- Compliance/adherence less of an issue
- Provided the patient isn't frail, I generally feel confident with surgical risk assessment

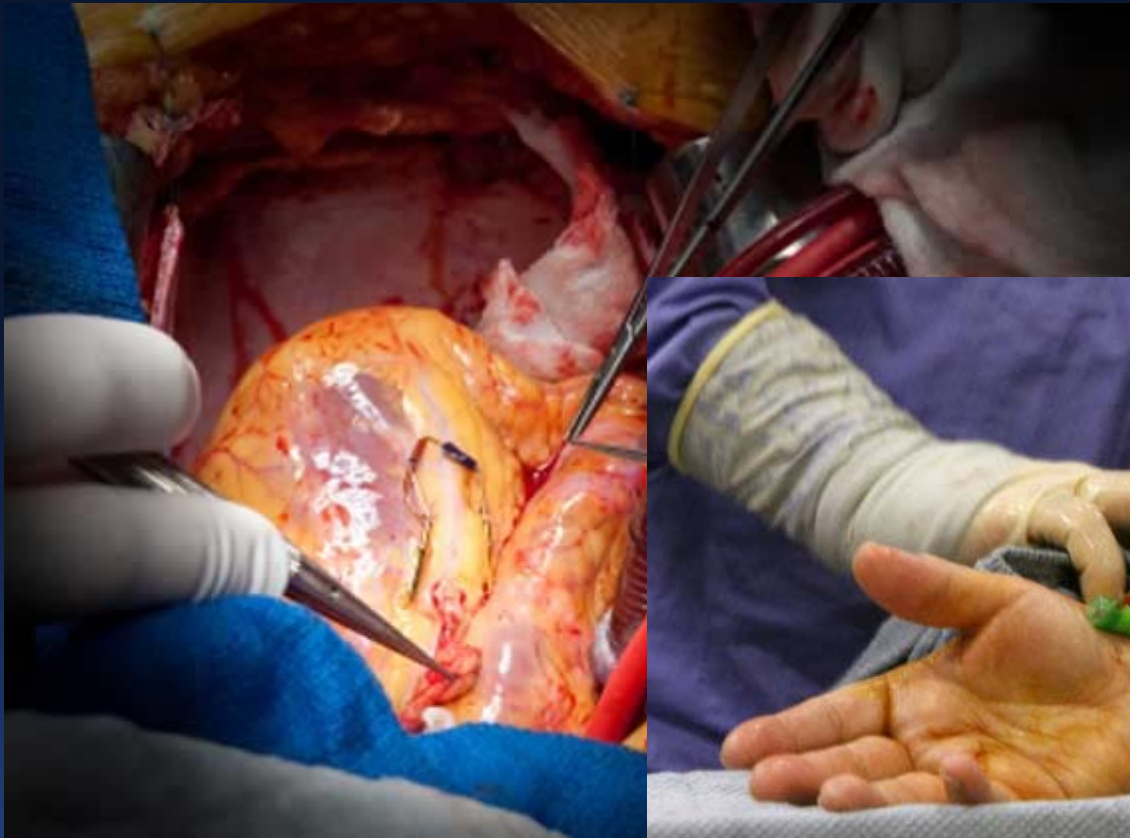
**So why do many patients and physicians
still favor PCI?**

Answer: (It's not all referral bias!)

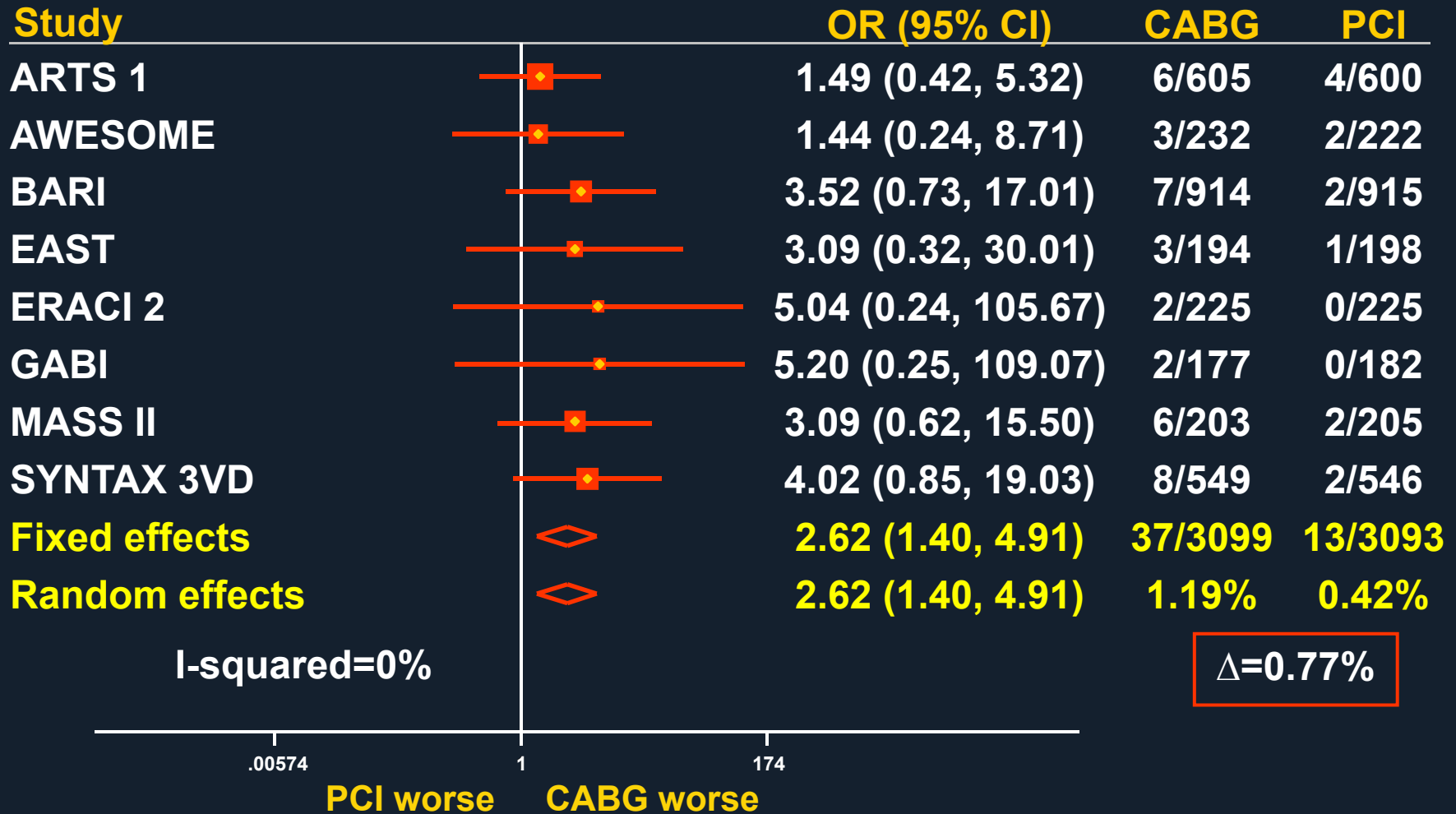
Why Patients (and Physicians) Still Often Prefer PCI...

- Referral Bias
- It's LESS INVASIVE!
- Other issues with CABG including neurocognitive issues, stroke
- The SYNTAX and FREEDOM data doesn't apply to current practice
- Non-randomized data are poorly informative
 - Selection bias is rampant

Two Very Different Procedures...



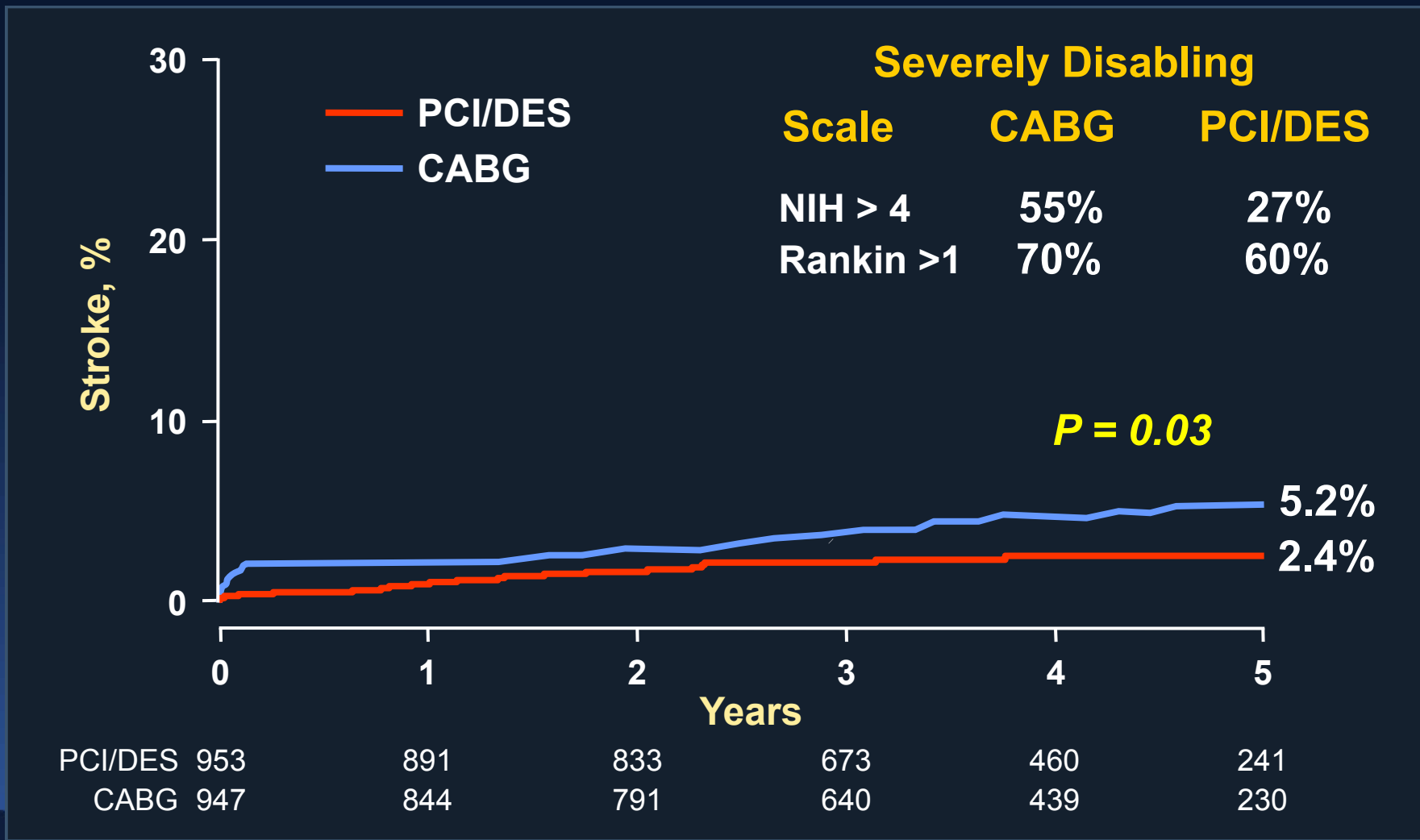
Risk of Stroke with CABG vs PCI: Meta-analysis of 8 RCTs: 30-day Follow-up



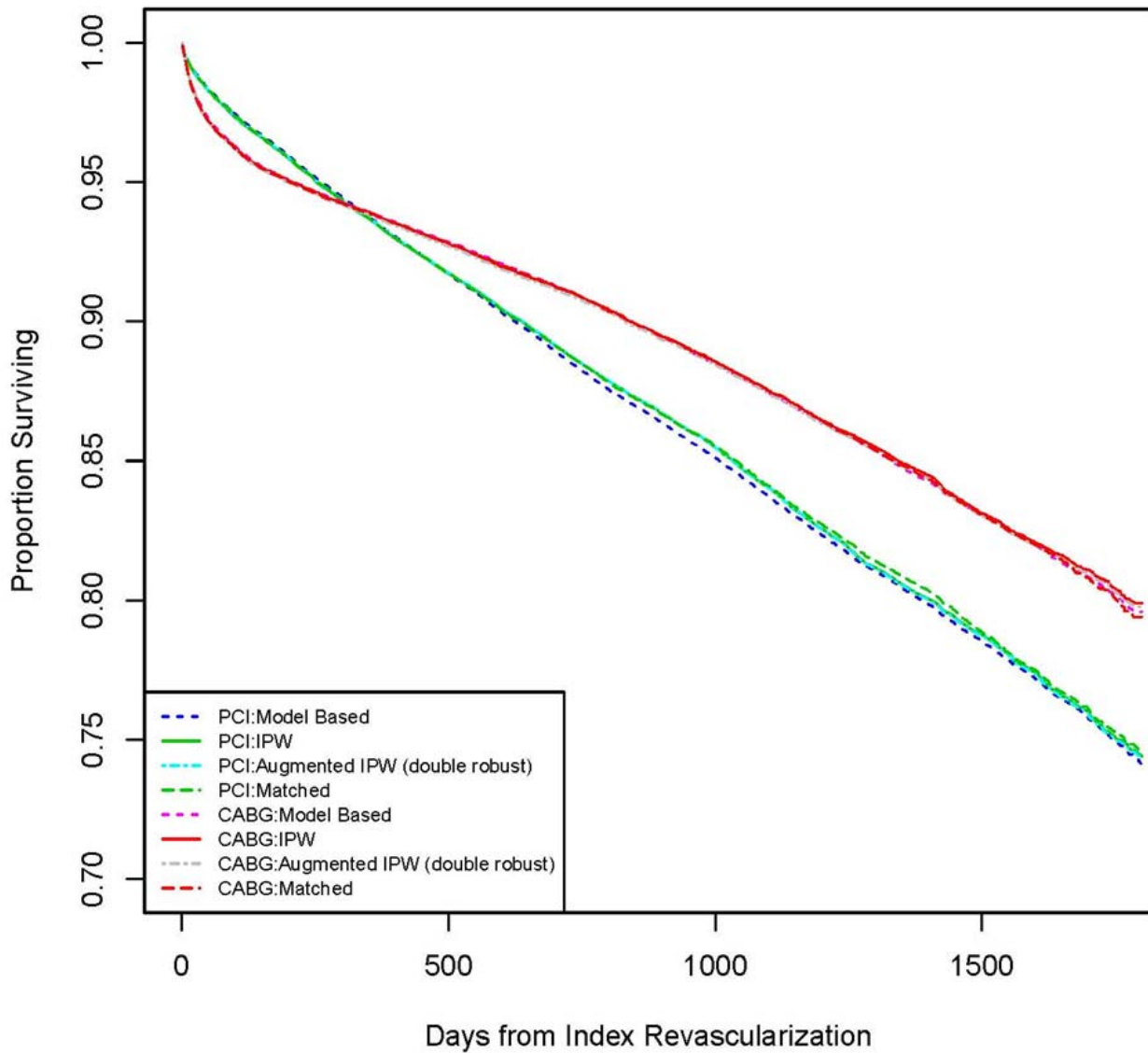


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Stroke



Comparison of Risk Adjusted Survival Methods

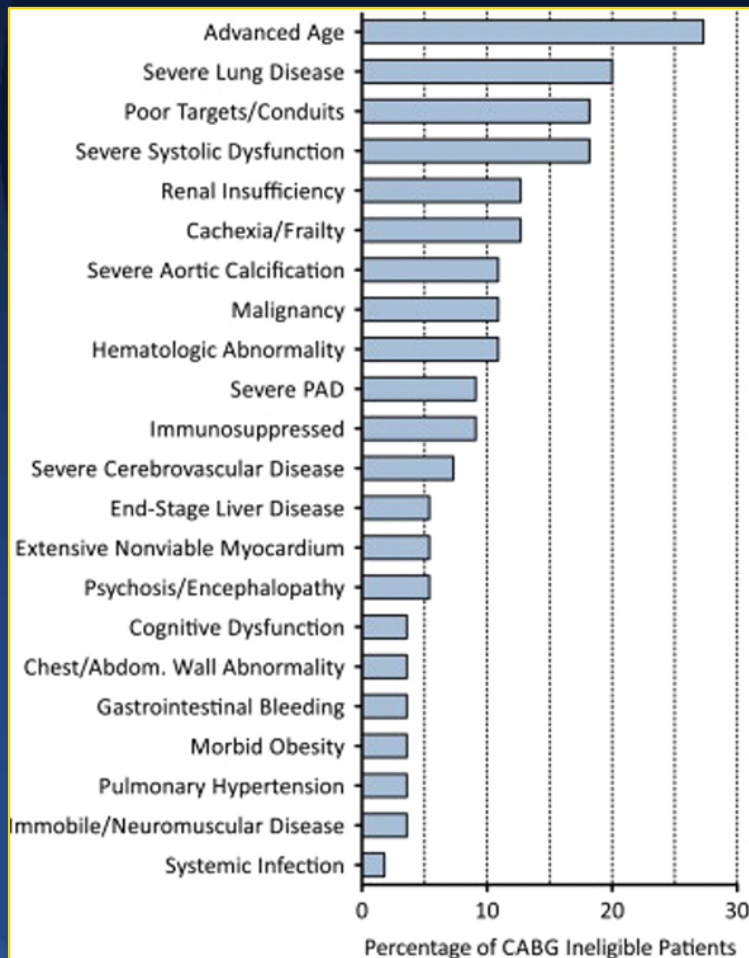




Baseline Data

	Unadjusted			IPW Adjusted		
	CABG (n=86,244)	PCI (n=103,549)	P Value	CABG (n=86,244)	PCI (n=103,549)	P Value
Age	73.1 ± 5.6	74.7 ± 6.5	<0.0001	74.0 ± 9.2	74.0 ± 8.3	0.49
Male	68.6	57.8	<0.0001	62.3	62.8	0.17
History of CHF	11.5	10.2	<0.0001	11.2	10.8	0.067
History of MI	25.3	24.6	0.0001	24.5	24.7	0.51
Diabetes	38.6	34.4	<0.0001	35.8	35.8	0.97
Insulin Requiring	10.2	9.8	0.0069	9.7	9.9	0.35
Hypertension	84.8	83.4	<0.0001	83.9	83.8	0.58
Renal Failure	6.1	6.2	0.57	6.1	6.1	0.80
CKD	20.7	18.9	<0.0001	19.4	19.6	0.50
CVD	17.6	15.8	<0.0001	16.6	16.6	0.86
PAD	17.9	15.3	<0.0001	16.4	16.4	0.97
BMI	28.7 ± 5.8	28.7 ± 5.9	0.78	28.8 ± 8.6	28.7 ± 7.9	0.97
Former Smoker	44.0	42.5	<0.0001	43.0	43.3	0.45
Current Smoker	12.9	11.6	<0.0001	11.9	12.0	0.74
No Angina	21.8	30.8	<0.0001	26.4	26.8	0.23
Stable Angina	49.6	22.6	<0.0001	34.6	34.9	0.46
Unstable Angina	28.6	46.6	<0.0001	39.0	38.3	0.066
Ejection Fraction	52.9 ± 12.2	55.5 ± 11.4	<0.0001	54.4 ± 17.6	54.4 ± 16.2	0.58
3 Vessel Disease	80.3	32.1	<0.0001	53.2	53.8	0.043
Status Urgent	68.6	57.8	<0.0001	62.3	62.8	0.17

Surgical Candidacy and Selection Bias in National Observational Registries: Case Study Using LMCA PCI

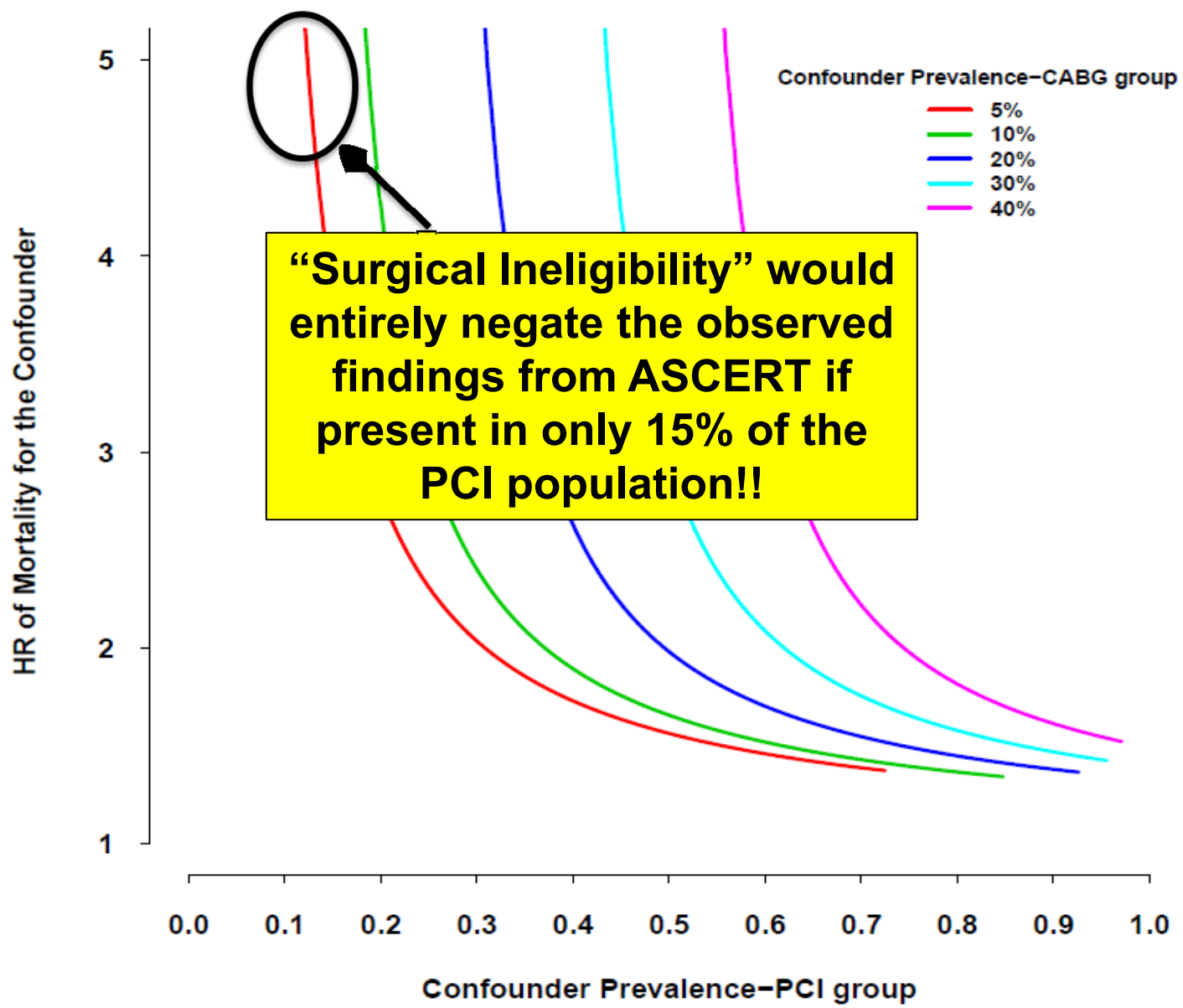


**“Surgical ineligibility”
independently
conferred a 5-fold
higher risk of mortality
not accounted for by:**

- ***NCDR risk score***
- ***STS risk score***
- ***Euroscore***

Ascertain

Sensitivity Analysis – Unmeasured Confounding



When does “comparative effectiveness” in fact represent “ineffective comparativeness”??

CABG

vs.

PCI



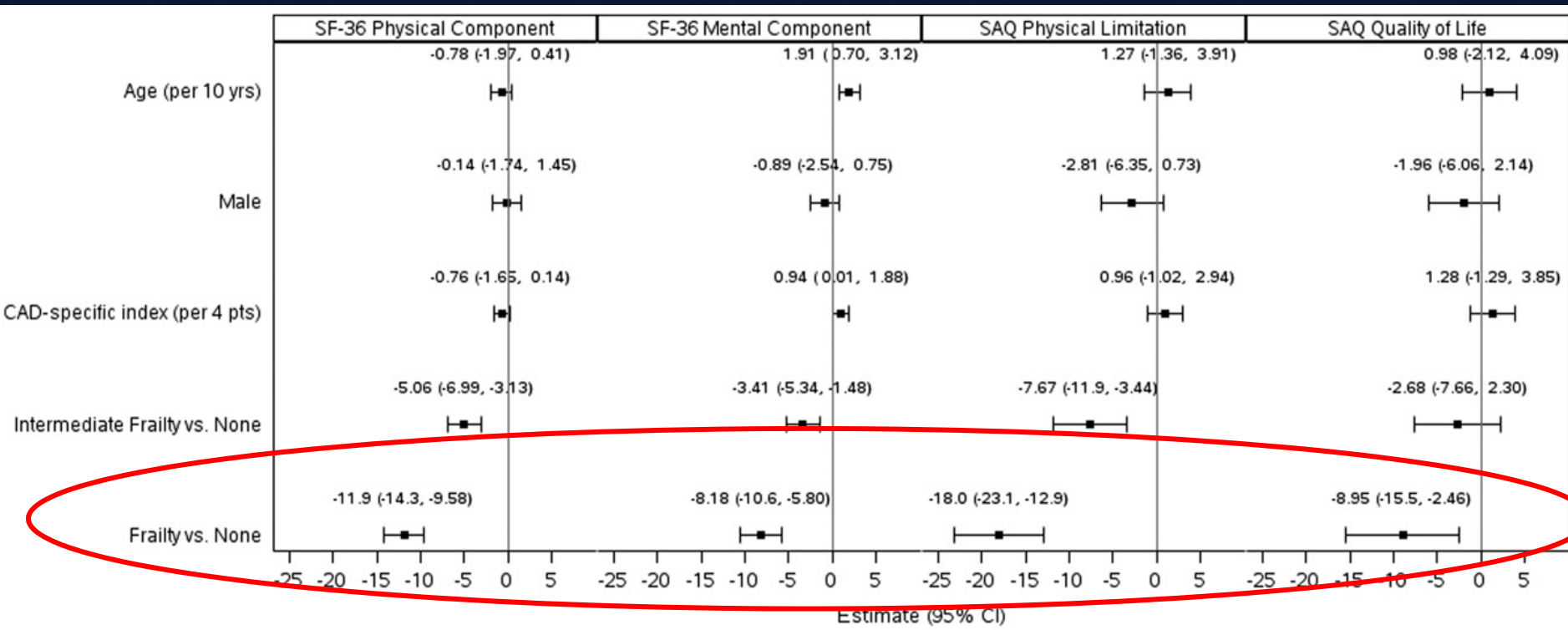
Same age and predicted risk!

Impact of Frailty on Health Status of Elderly Patients Undergoing PCI

629 patients ≥ 65 yrs old who underwent PCI at Mayo Clinic

~1/5 were “frail” and nearly 1/2 were “intermediate”

Frail pts had more CAD and more comorbidities

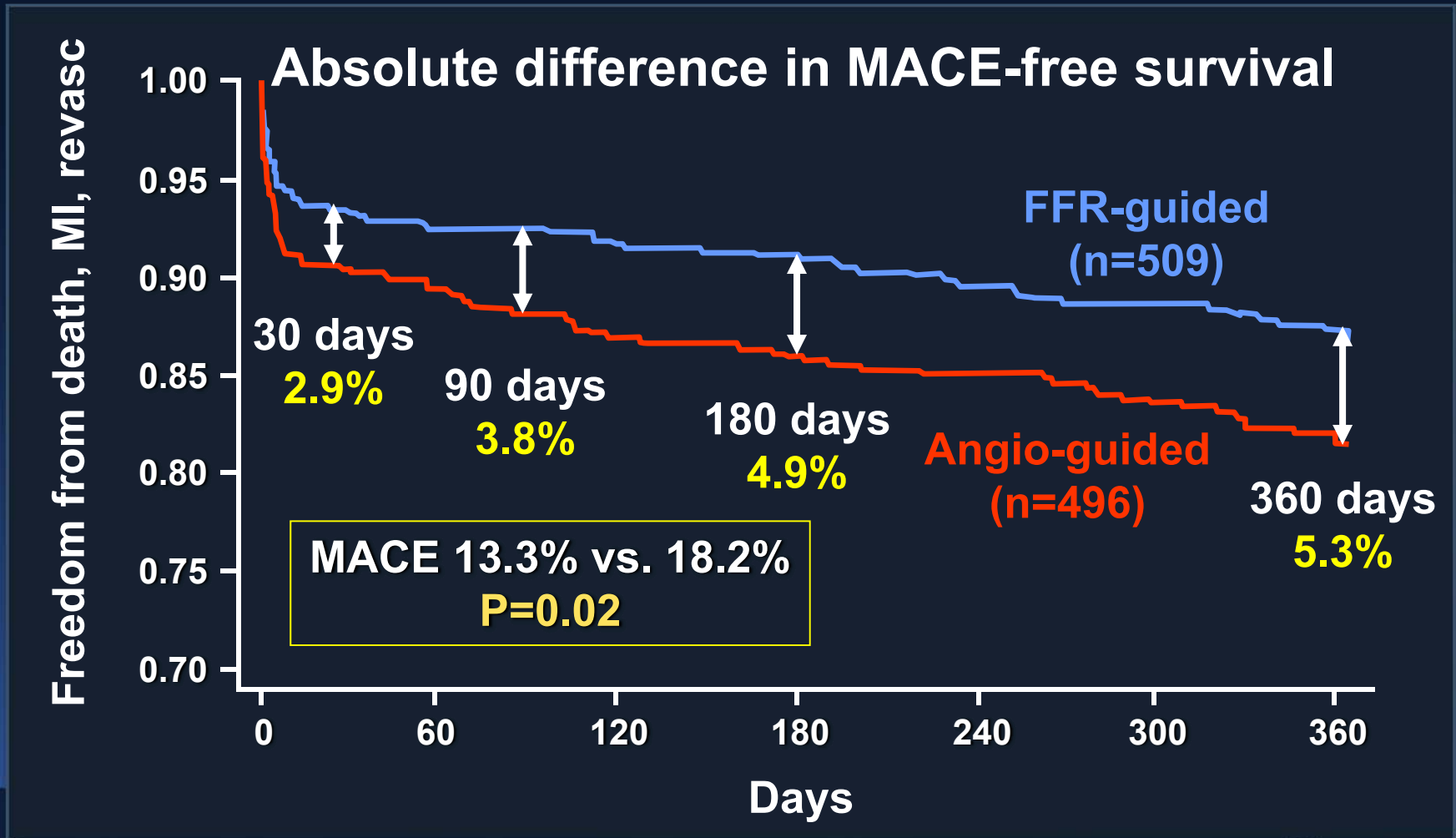


**PCI is Better Now than
it Was in SYNTAX and
FREEDOM!**

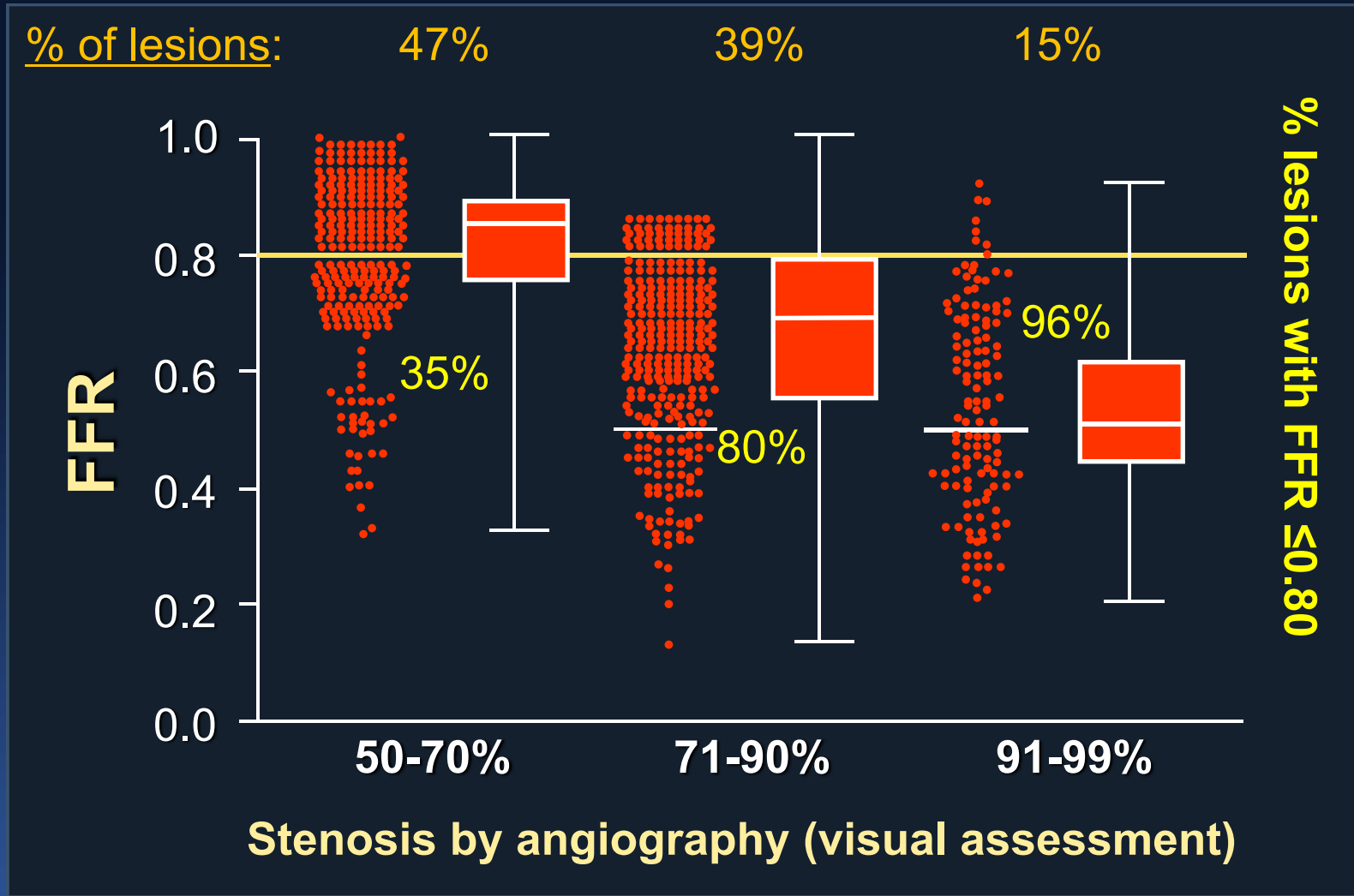
FAME: Optimizing Complete Revascularization



1005 pts with MVD undergoing PCI with DES were randomized to FFR-guided vs. angio-guided intervention



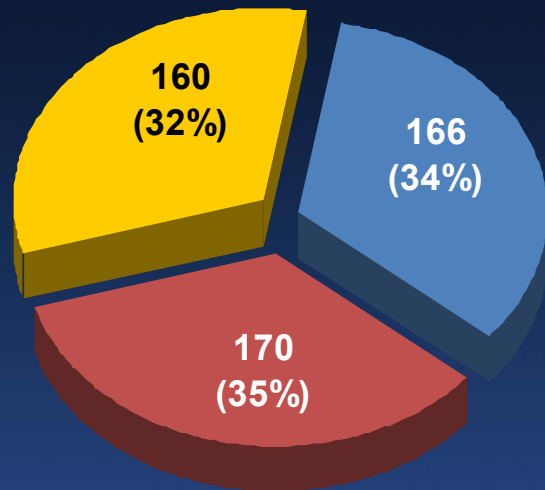
Relationship Between Visual Angiographic %DS and FFR (n=1,329)



Change in SYNTAX Score after FFR

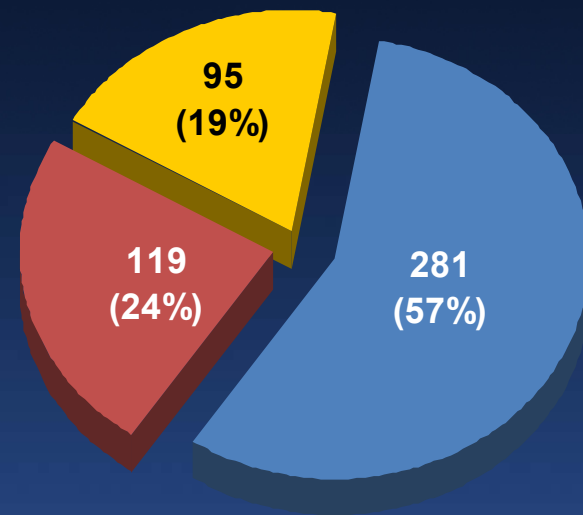
SYNTAX score ~500 FAME patients after FFR

- Lowest Tertile
- Middle Tertile
- Highest Tertile



Without FFR

- Lowest Tertile
- Middle Tertile
- Highest Tertile



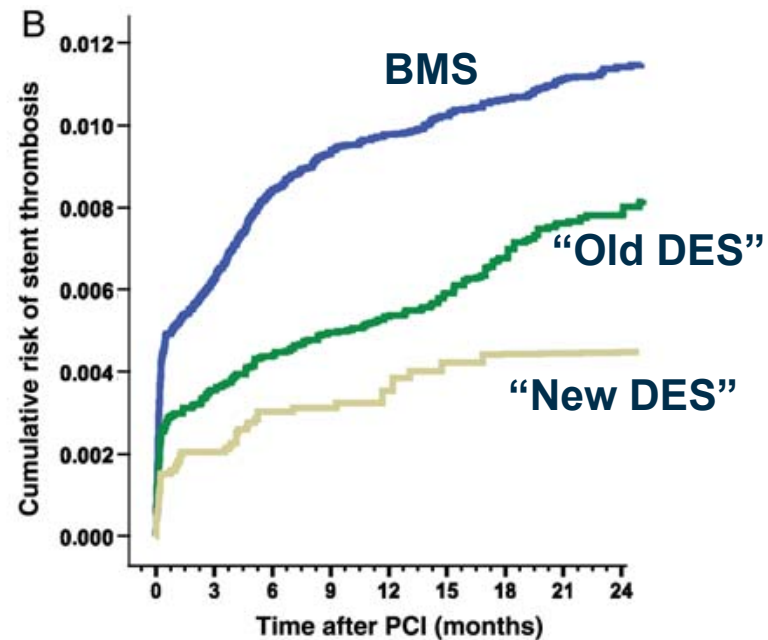
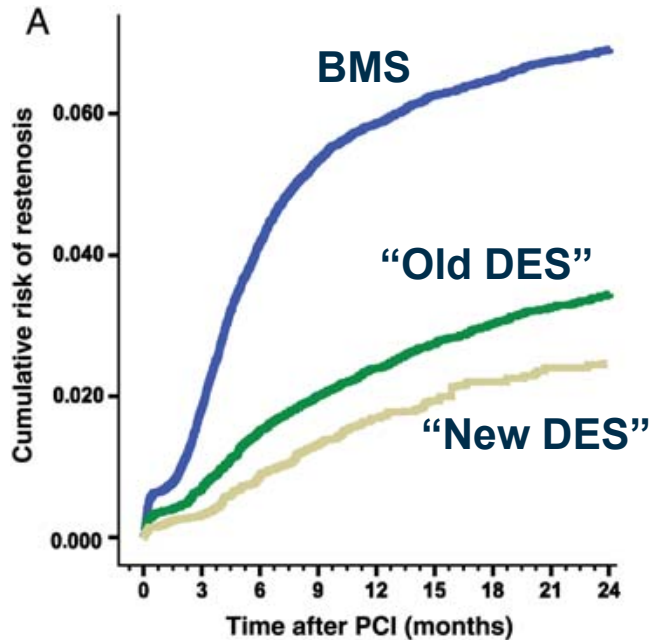
With FFR

SCAAR Registry (94,384 pts)

Adjusted Risks of Adverse Events at 2 yrs

Restenosis

Definite ST



<i>n</i> at risk	0 months	6 months	12 months	18 months	24 months
BMS	64 631	56 070	47 968	40 539	32 698
o-DES	19 202	17 862	16 014	13 517	10 533
n-DES	10 551	8 092	4 188	2 005	847

SYNTAX Trial Design



62 EU Sites

+



23 US Sites

Heart Team (surgeon & interventionalist)

Amenable for both
treatment options

Amenable for only one
treatment approach

Stratification:
LM and Diabetes

Randomized Arms

N=1800

CABG
N=897

vs

TAXUS*
N=903

3VD
66.3%

LM
33.7%

3VD
65.4%

LM
34.6%

Two Registry Arms

N=1275

CABG
N=1077

PCI
N=198

ACC/AHA/SCAI PCI Guidelines: Heart Team Approach to Revascularization Decisions



A Heart Team approach to revascularization is recommended in patients with unprotected left main or complex CAD.



Calculation of the STS and SYNTAX scores is reasonable in patients with unprotected left main and complex CAD.



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Conclusions

PCI and CABG for MVD in 2013

- Multivessel disease is a high-risk and prognostically important patient scenario
 - “Least stable” subtype of “stable ischemic heart disease (SIHD)”
- (Regional) functional assessments trump angiography
- For true MVD, take patients off of the table to objectively assess all options
- Honest patient selection attuned to objective patient preference will generally dictate the best/most appropriate care!