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Revascularization in Patients with ACS without ST segment elevation

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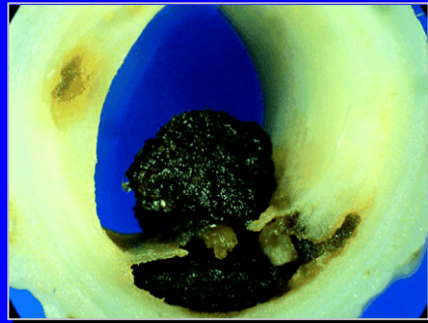


Presentation

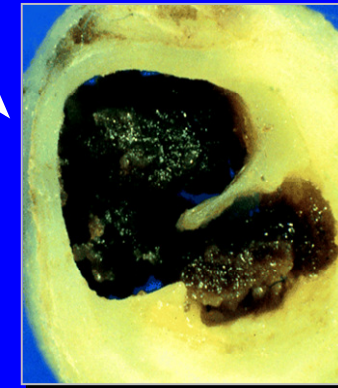
Ischemic Discomfort

Working Dx

Acute Coronary Syndrome



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ECG

No ST Elevation

ST Elevation

**Biochem.
Marker**

NSTEMI

Myocardial Infarction

Final Dx Unstable Angina

NQMI

Qw MI

Revascularization in STEMI / NSTEMI

- ♥ When there is a clinical diagnosis of thrombotic coronary artery occlusion, immediate angiography and mechanical reperfusion therapy is recommended and has been shown to reduce mortality
- ♥ For NSTEMI / UA this is less clear

Revascularization in nSTE-ACS 2012

- ♥ Revascularization to improve prognosis
- ♥ Revascularization to relieve symptoms
- ♥ Revascularization as part of a comprehensive strategy in nSTE-ACS

Revascularization in nSTE-ACS

Patients with nSTE-ACS represent a very heterogeneous population:

- ♥ **45-year old male, positive family history, new onset chest pain early morning, symmetrical negative T-waves anterior ECG leads, normal troponin**
- ♥ **80-year old lady with hypertension, diabetes, mitral regurgitation, paroxysmal atrial fibrillation, LBBB, progressive chest pain on exertion, presenting with elevated troponin**

Acute coronary syndromes

Non-ST-elevation ACS is often a combination of hemodynamically significant lesion, plaque rupture, thrombus formation, coronary spasm and increased oxygen demand, but with preserved flow

Medical treatment combination of anti-ischemic, vaso-dilator, anti-platelet and anti-coagulant drugs

Checklist of treatments when an ACS diagnosis appears likely

Aspirin	Initial dose of 150–300 mg non-enteric formulation followed by 75–100 mg/day (i.v. administration is acceptable)
P2Y₁₂ inhibitor	Loading dose of ticagrelor or clopidogrel ^a
Anticoagulation	<p>Choice between different options depends on strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fondaparinux 2.5 mg/daily subcutaneously• Enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice daily subcutaneously• UFH i.v. bolus 60–70 IU/kg (maximum 5000 IU) followed by infusion of 12–15 IU/kg/h (maximum 1000 IU/h) titrated to aPTT 1.5–2.5 × control• Bivalirudin is indicated only in patients with a planned invasive strategy
Oral β-Blocker	If tachycardic or hypertensive without signs of heart failure

Decision-making algorithm in ACS

1. Clinical Evaluation

2. Diagnosis/Risk Assessment

3. Coronary angiography

Urgent coronary angiography (<2 h) is recommended in patients at very high ischaemic risk (refractory angina, with associated heart failure, life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias, or haemodynamic instability).

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Risk of ischemic events according to the GRACE risk score

Table 5 Mortality in hospital and at 6 months⁵⁰ in low, intermediate, and high risk categories in registry populations, according to the **GRACE** risk score

Risk category (tertile)	GRACE risk score	In-hospital death (%)
Low	≤ 108	< 1
Intermediate	109–140	1–3
High	> 140	> 3
Risk category (tertile)	GRACE risk score	Post-discharge to 6-month death (%)
Low	≤ 88	< 3
Intermediate	89–118	3–8
High	> 118	> 8

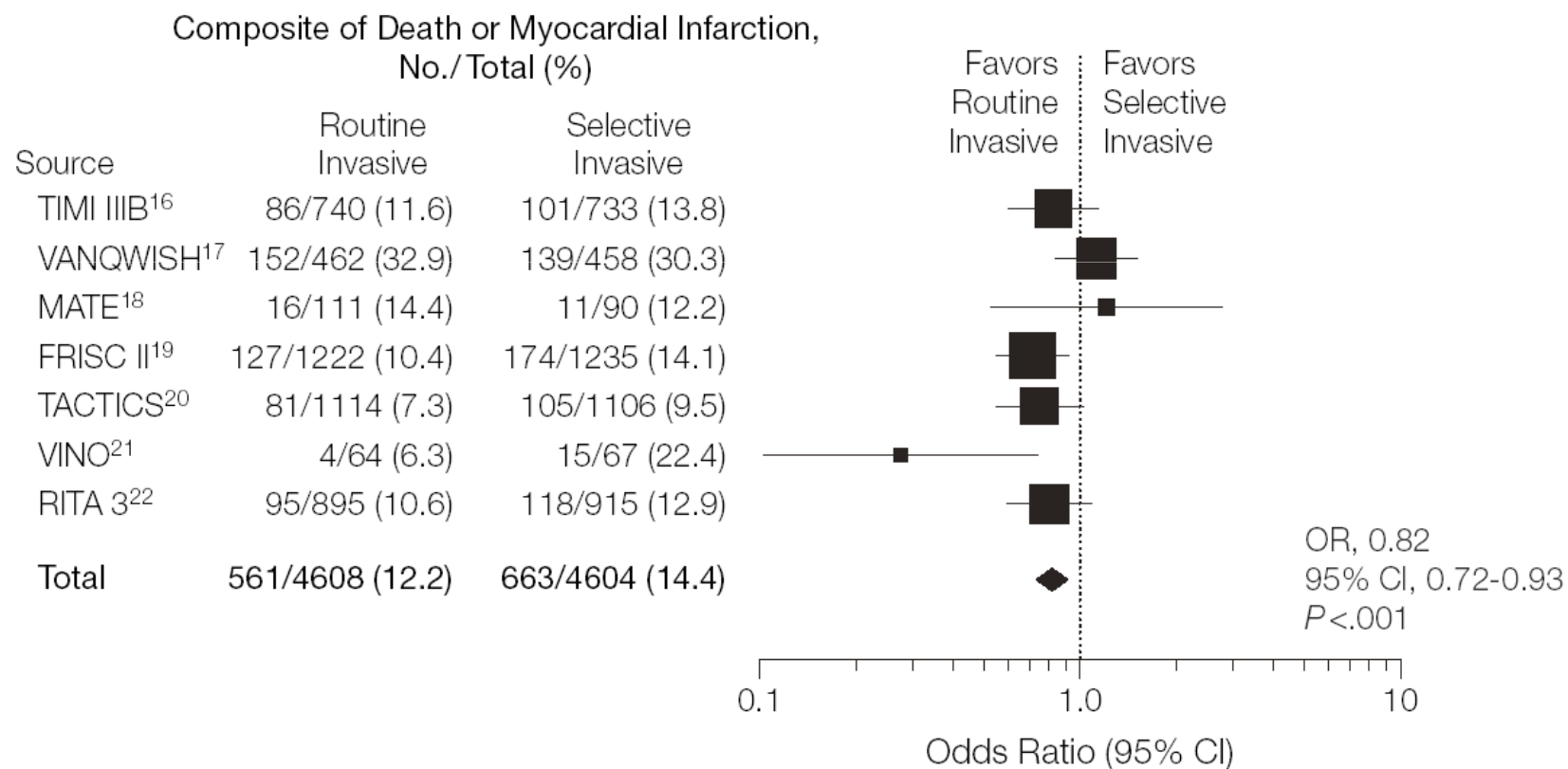
CRUSADE score of in-Hospital major bleeding

Predictor	Score
Baseline haematocrit, %	
<31	9
31–33.9	7
34–36.9	3
37–39.9	2
≥40	0
Creatinine clearance, ^a mL/min	
≤15	39
>15–30	35
>30–60	28
>60–90	17
>90–120	7
>120	0
Heart rate (b.p.m.)	
≤70	0
71–80	1
81–90	3
91–100	6
101–110	8
111–120	10
≥121	11

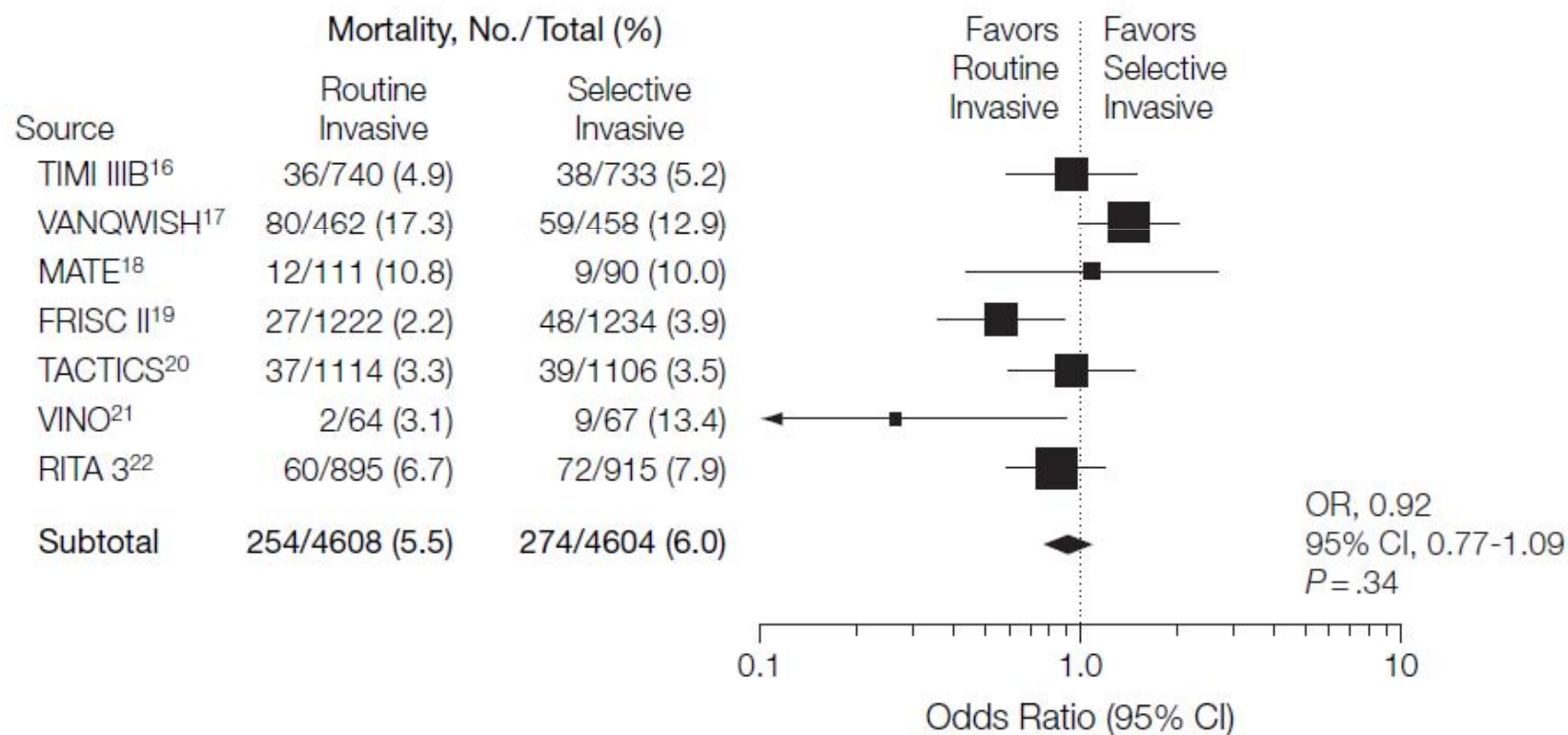
Predictor	Score
Sex	
Male	0
Female	8
Signs of CHF at presentation	
No	0
Yes	7
Prior vascular disease ^b	
No	0
Yes	6
Diabetes mellitus	
No	0
Yes	6
Systolic blood pressure, mmHg	
≤90	10
91–100	8
101–120	5
121–180	1
181–200	3
≥201	5

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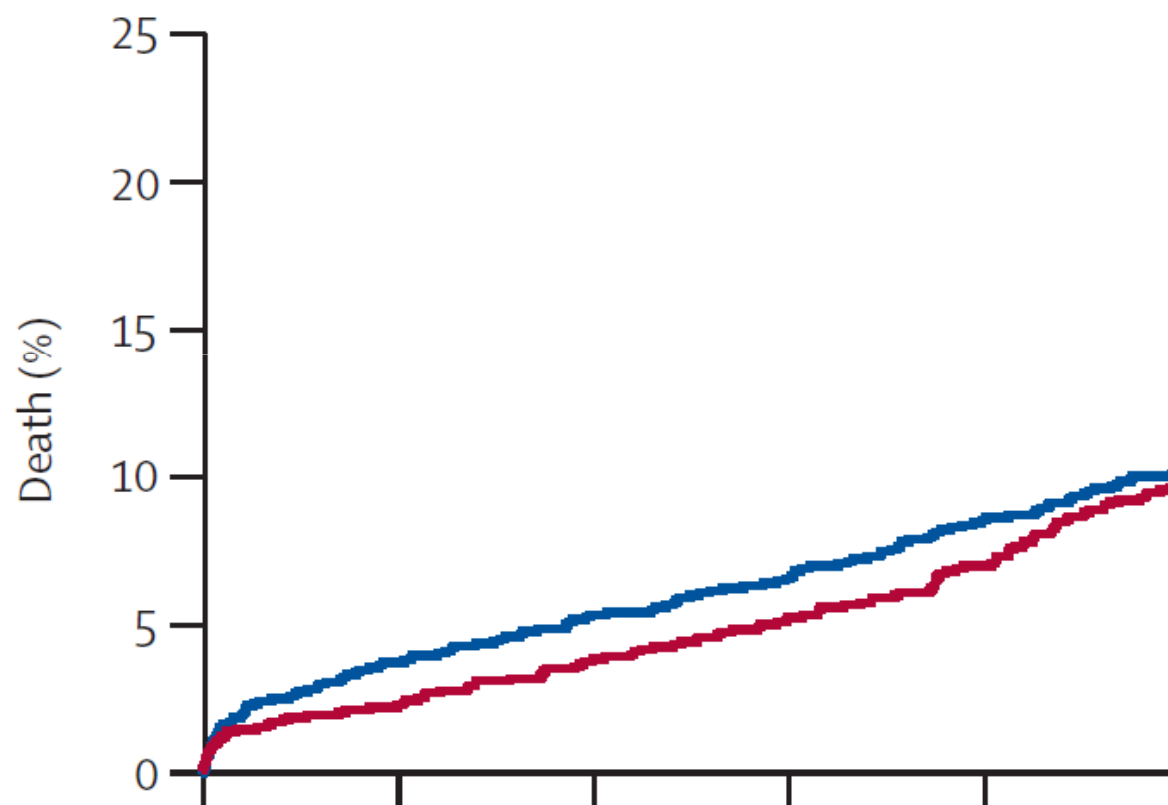
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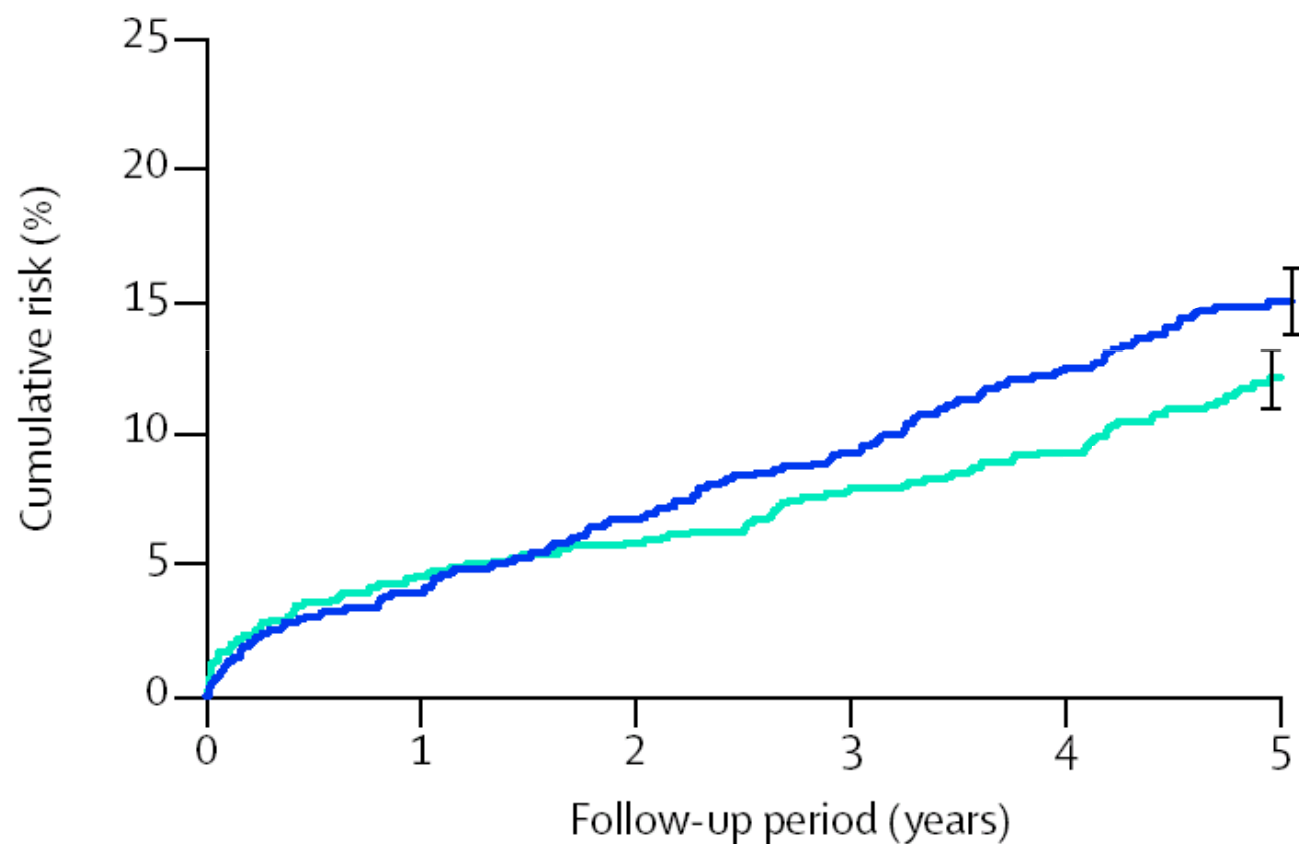
FRISC II: 5-year mortality



Numbers at risk

Invasive	1222	1189	1168	1137	1126	1094
Non-invasive	1235	1170	1116	1079	1118	1099

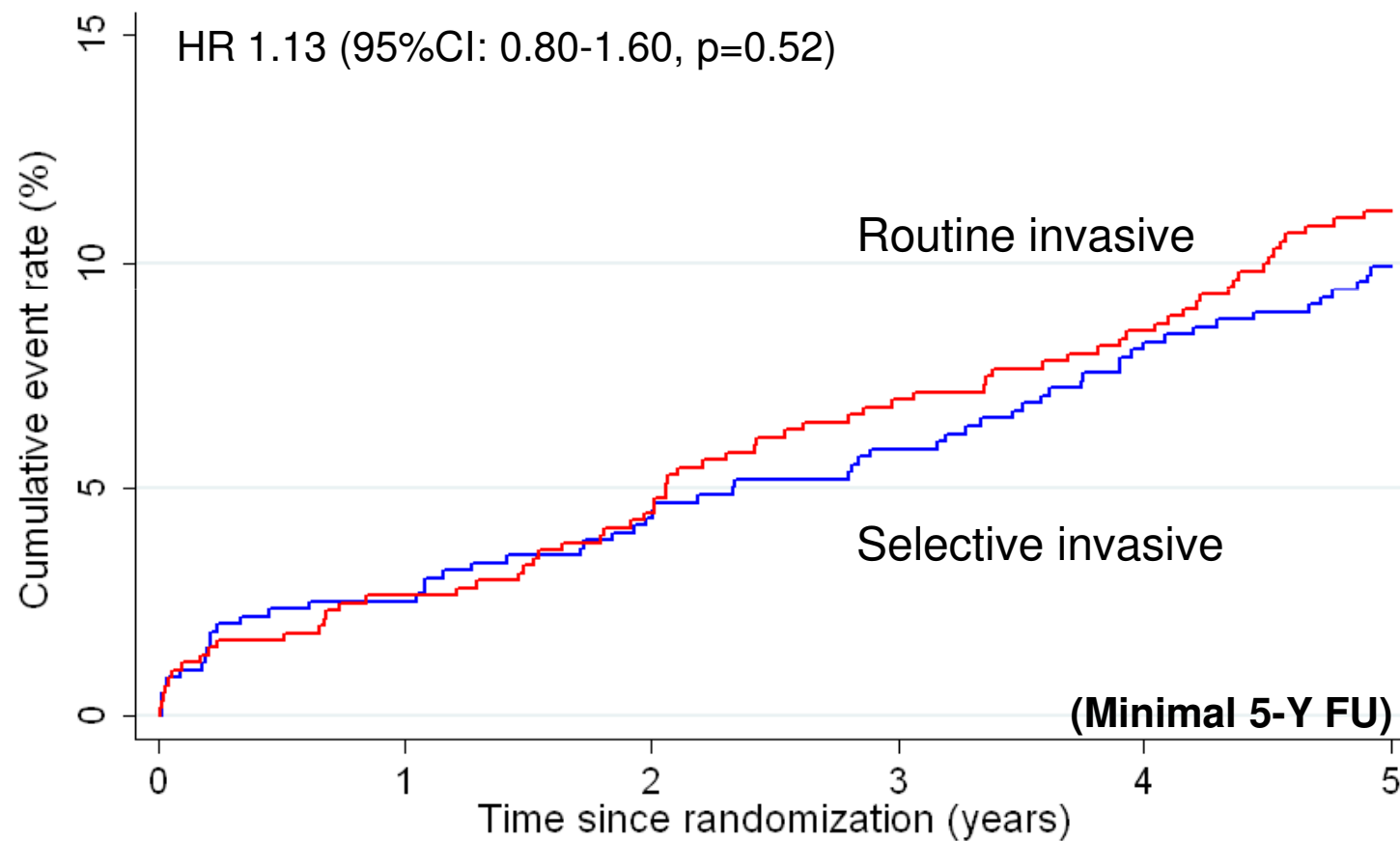
RITA-3: 5-year mortality



Numbers at risk

Intervention	895	854	842	822	743	470
Conservative	915	878	853	828	729	463

ICTUS: 5-year mortality



Long-Term Outcome of a Routine versus Selective Invasive Strategy in Patients with non-ST elevation ACS

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FIR collaboration: FRISC ICTUS RITA



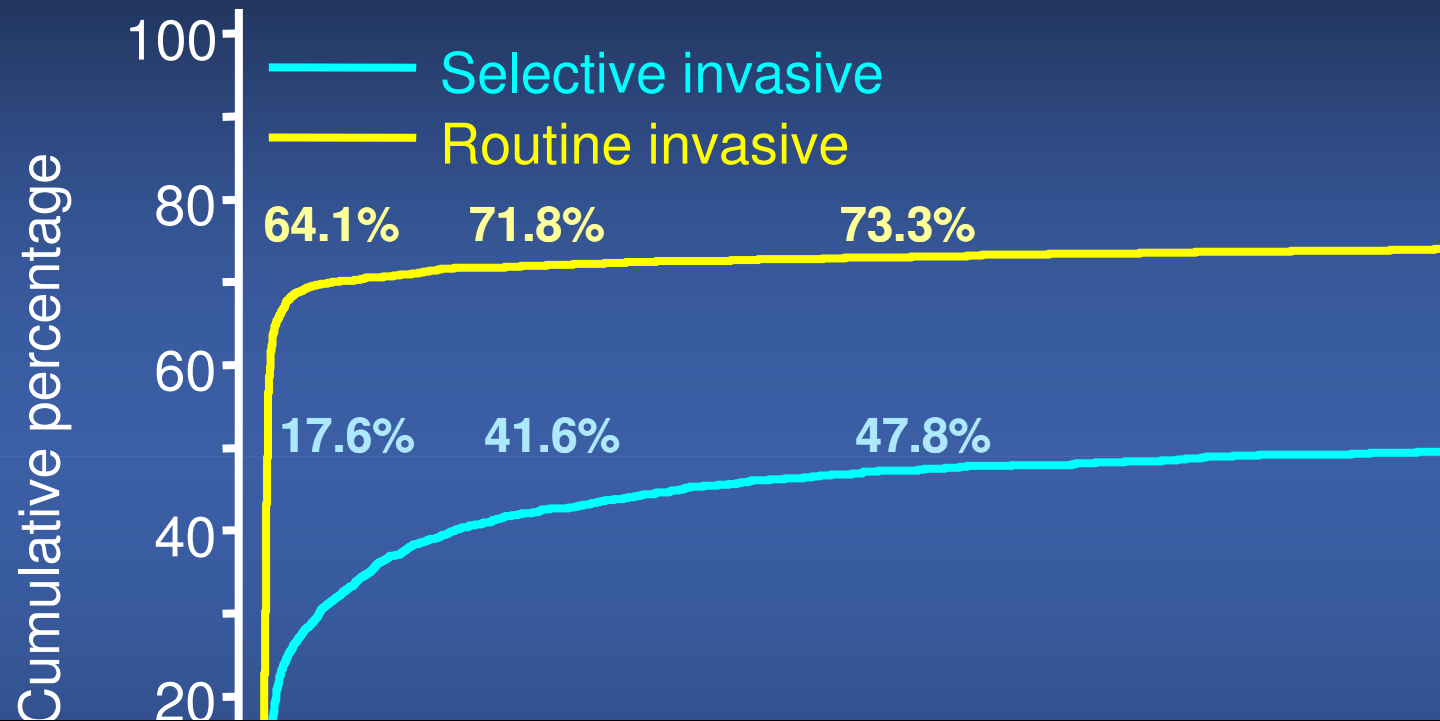
FIR patient-pooled database

- Core variables:
 - Demographics
 - Clinical history
 - Risk factors for CAD
 - Baseline ECG characteristics
 - Baseline laboratory results
 - 5-year clinical outcomes
- 5467 patients with nSTE-ACS included

FIR collaboration: FRISC ICTUS RITA



Timing of first coronary revascularization



Revasc at 1yr %	Routine invasive	Selective invasive
ICTUS	79	54
FRISC II	78	44
RITA-3	57	28

Primary outcomes at 5 years

Table 2: Outcomes by study and treatment

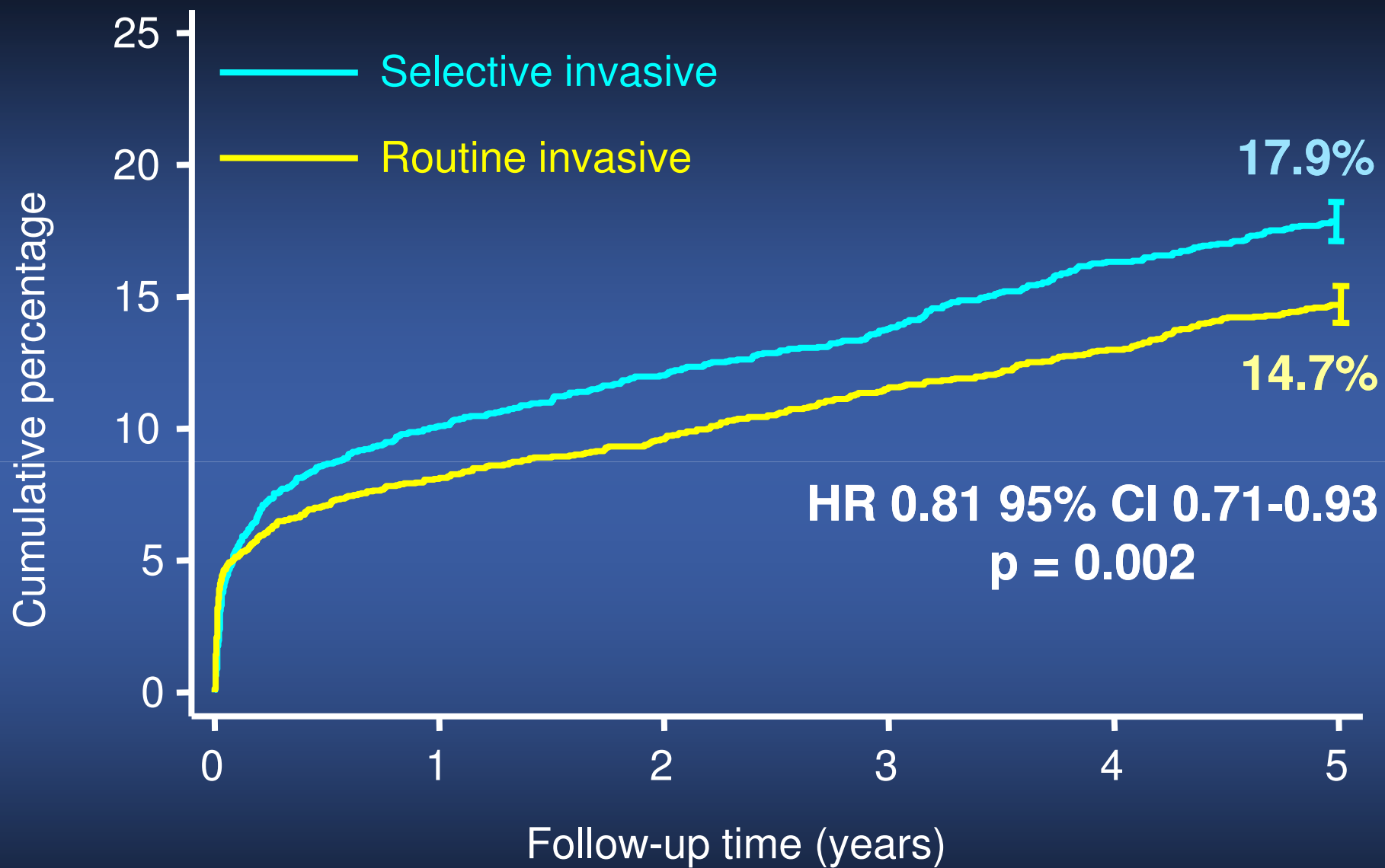
	Combined dataset		Hazard ratio	p-value
	Selective invasive n = 2746	Routine invasive n = 2721	(95% CI)	
MI	338 12.9%	260 10.0%	0.77 (0.65 - 0.90)	0.001
CV death	218 8.1%	181 6.8%	0.83 (0.68 - 1.01)	0.068
CV death/MI	475 17.9%	389 14.7%	0.81 (0.71 -0.93)	0.002

Outcomes at 5 years

Table 2: Outcomes by study and treatment

	Combined dataset		Hazard ratio	p-value
	Selective invasive	Routine invasive	(95% CI)	
All-cause death	321 11.7%	288 10.6%	0.90 (0.77 -1.05)	0.19
All-cause death/MI	560 20.9%	480 18.1%	0.85 (0.75 - 0.96)	0.008

Cumulative risk of CV death or MI



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RI 2721

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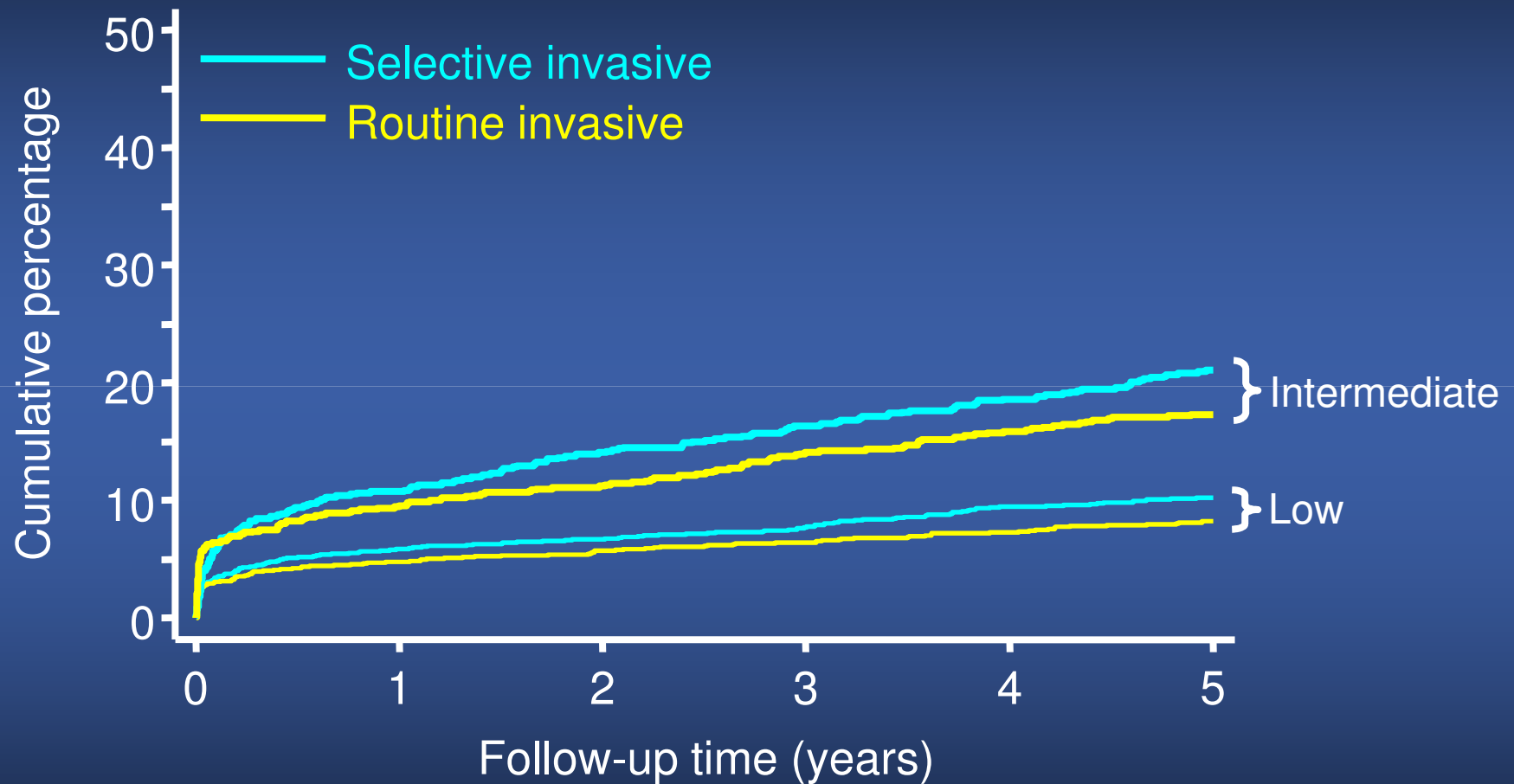
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Are the results influenced by the baseline risk of the patients?

- Univariable and multivariable predictors of outcome derived (Cox regression).
 $p < 0.01$ for inclusion in multivariable model (Wald test)
- Simplified integer score derived:
 - **Age, diabetes, prior MI, ST depression, hypertension, BMI**

Cumulative risk of CV death or MI by risk group



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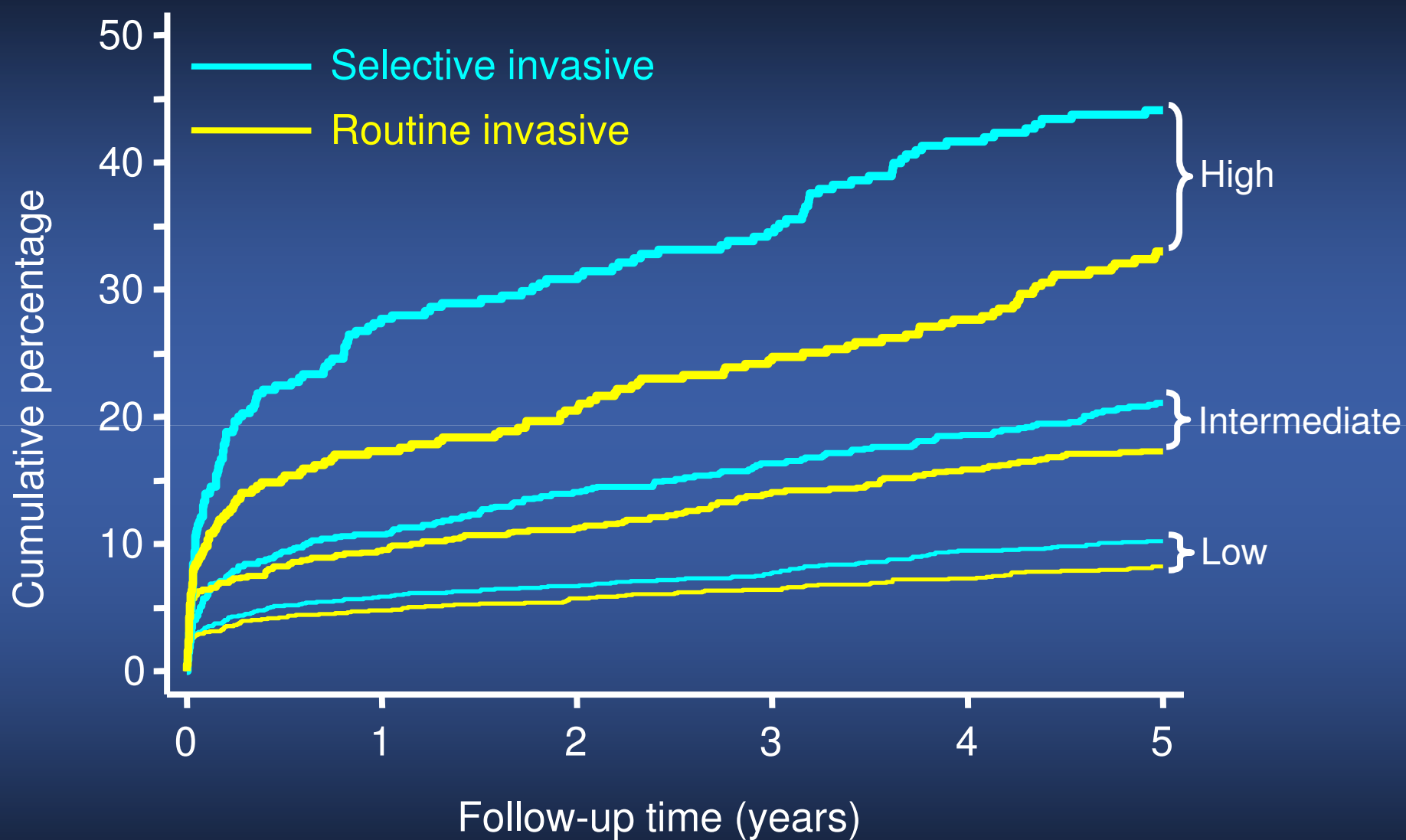
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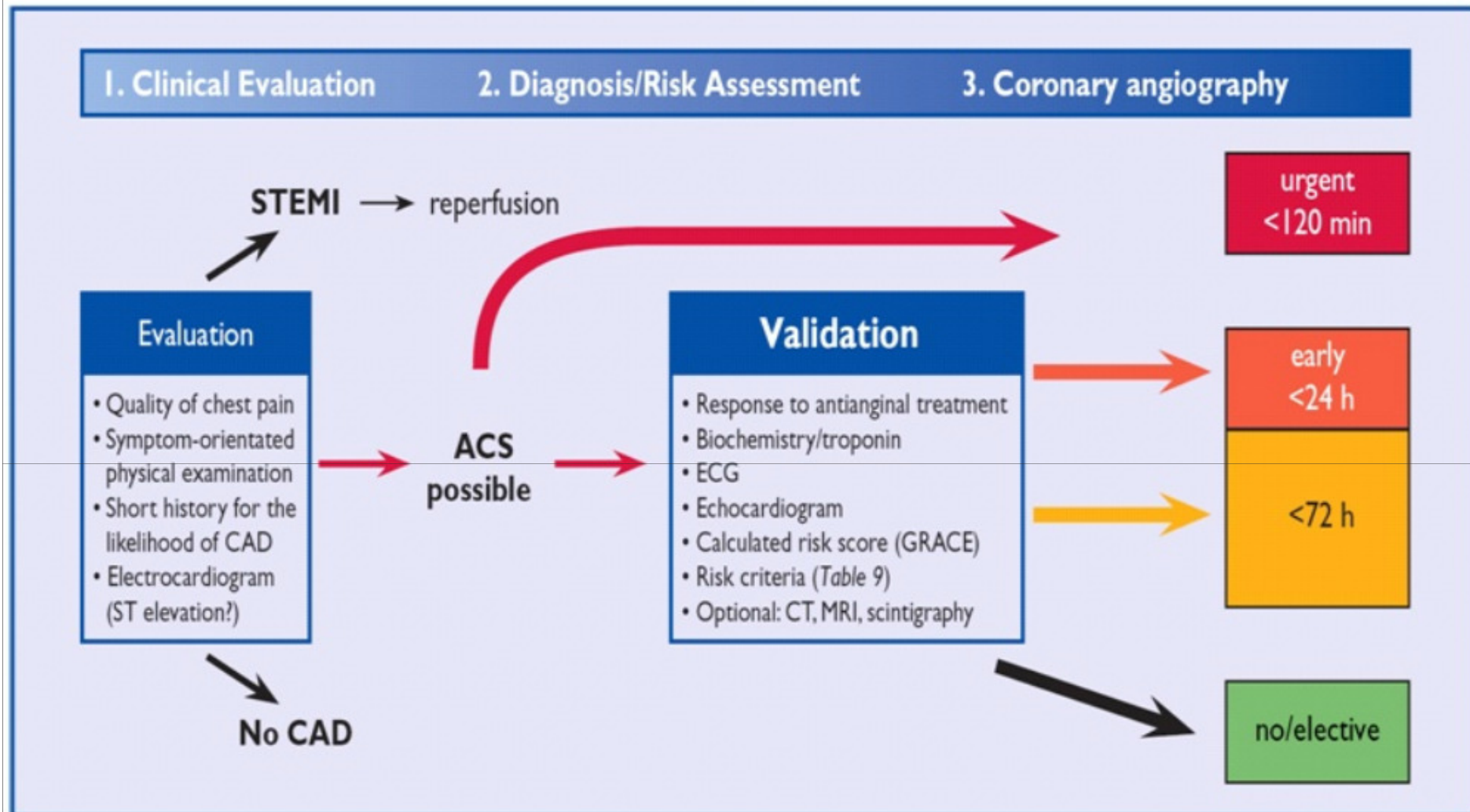
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Summary

- The routine invasive strategy reduced cardiovascular death or MI at long-term follow-up
 - 3.2% absolute risk reduction in CV death/MI
 - 19% relative risk reduction
 - No statistically significant reduction in mortality
- Risk stratification identifies the patient group with the greatest absolute benefits
 - 11.1% absolute risk reduction in highest risk patients

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Decision-making algorithm in ACS



Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
An invasive strategy (within 72 h after first presentation) is indicated in patients with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at least one high-risk criterion (Table 9); • recurrent symptoms. 	I	A
Urgent coronary angiography (<2 h) is recommended in patients at very high ischaemic risk (refractory angina, with associated heart failure, life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias, or haemodynamic instability).	I	C
An early invasive strategy (<24 h) is recommended in patients with a GRACE score >140 or with at least one primary high-risk criterion.	I	A
Non-invasive documentation of inducible ischaemia is recommended in low-risk patients without recurrent symptoms before deciding for invasive evaluation.	I	A

< 72 hrs

< 24 hrs

Criteria for high risk with indication for invasive management

Primary

- Relevant rise or fall in troponin^a
- Dynamic ST- or T-wave changes (symptomatic or silent)

< 24 hrs

Secondary

- Diabetes mellitus
- Renal insufficiency (eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m²)
- Reduced LV function (ejection fraction <40%)
- Early post infarction angina
- Recent PCI
- Prior CABG
- Intermediate to high GRACE risk score (Table 5)

< 72 hrs



TIMACS

*Timing of Intervention
in patients with
Acute Coronary Syndromes*

**An International Randomized Trial of Early
Versus Delayed Invasive Strategies in
Patients with Non-ST Segment Elevation
Acute Coronary Syndromes**

Preliminary Results

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Interventions and Timing

	Early N=1,593	Delayed N=1,438
Coronary Angiography (%)	97.6	95.5
Median time (h \pm iqr)	14 (3-21)	50 (41-81)
PCI (%)	59.6	55.0
Median time (h \pm iqr)	16 (3-23)	52 (41-101)
CABG (%)	14.7	13.6
Median time (d \pm iqr)	7.7 (4.7-17.4)	10.8 (6.7-19.8)

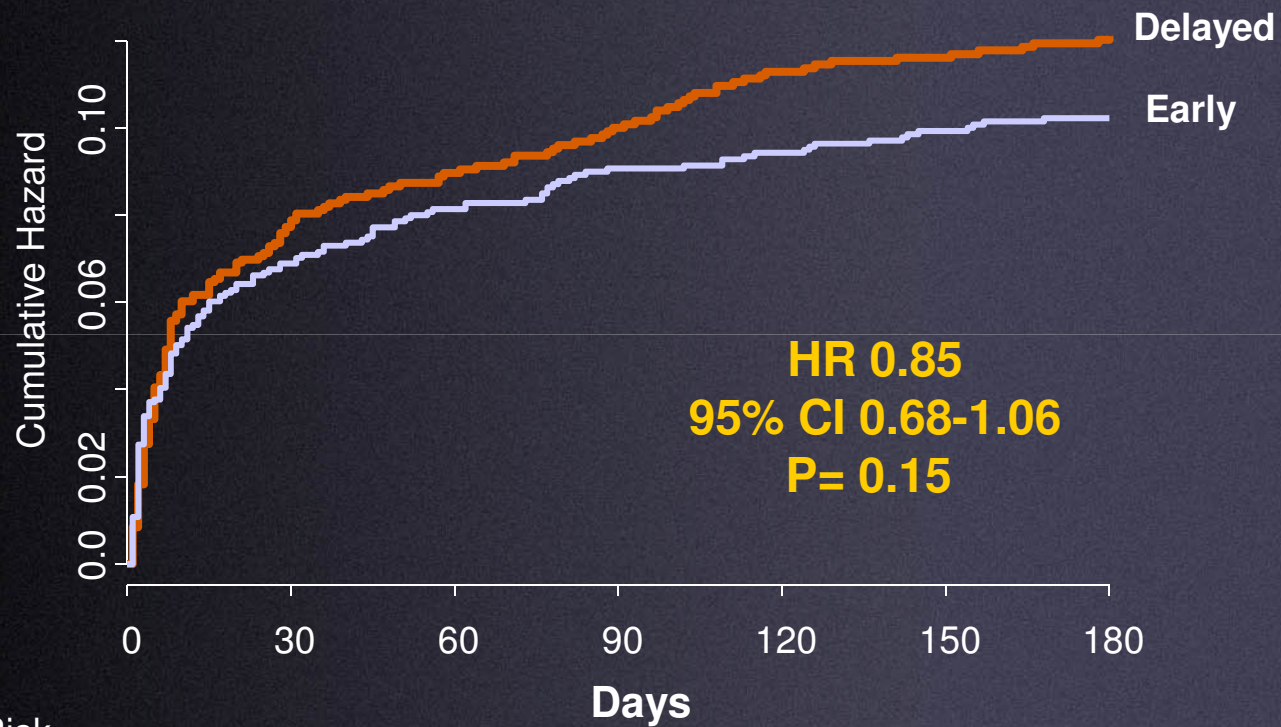
iqr=interquartile range

Preliminary Results as of Nov 7, 2008



Primary Outcome Death, MI, or Stroke

Death/MI/Stroke at 180 days



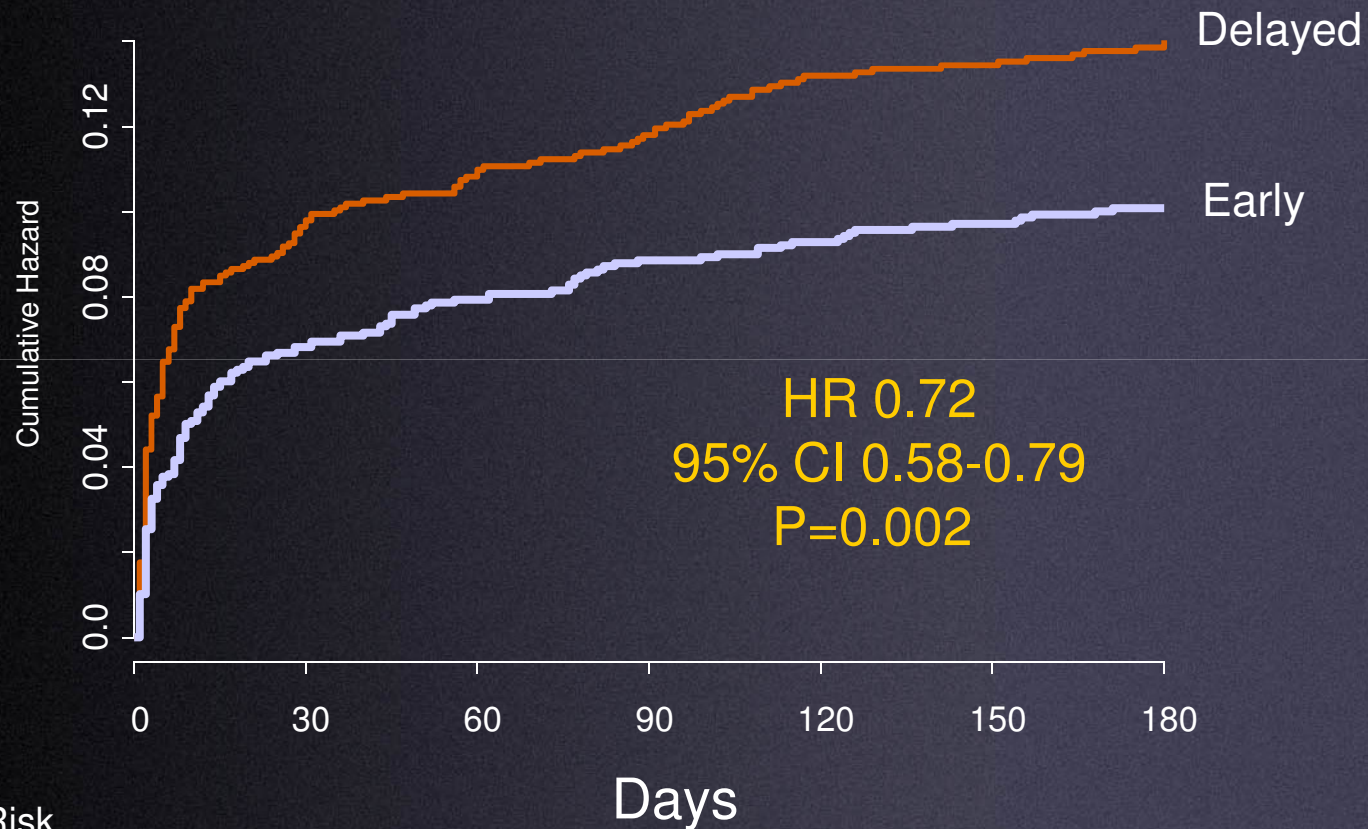
No. at Risk

Delayed	1438	1328	1269	1254	1234	1229	1211
Early	1593	1484	1413	1398	1391	1382	1363



Secondary Outcome Death, MI, or Refractory Ischemia

Death/MI/RI at 180 days



No. at Risk

Delayed	1438	1303	1243	1230	1209	1205	1187
Early	1593	1485	1417	1402	1394	1386	1366



Pre-specified Subgroups

Characteristic	N	Early %	Delayed %		HR (95% CI)	Interaction p-Value
Overall	3031	9.7	11.4		0.85 (0.68 - 1.06)	
Age < 65	1293	6.5	6.5		0.98 (0.64 - 1.52)	0.463
>=65	1736	12.3	14.8		0.83 (0.64 - 1.07)	
Female	1052	9.7	12.3		0.77 (0.54 - 1.12)	0.540
Male	1976	9.8	10.9		0.89 (0.68 - 1.18)	
No ST deviation	1523	7.6	8.7		0.88 (0.62 - 1.26)	0.722
ST deviation	1508	11.7	14.3		0.81 (0.61 - 1.07)	
No elevated marker	668	10.5	10.5		1.00 (0.62 - 1.60)	0.423
Elevated marker	2363	9.5	11.7		0.81 (0.63 - 1.04)	
GRACE 0-140	2070	7.7	6.7		1.14 (0.82 - 1.58)	0.0097
GRACE >=141	961	14.1	21.6		0.65 (0.48 - 0.88)	

0.33 0.5 0.7 1.00 1.5 2.0 3.0
 Early better Delayed better
 Hazard Ratio (95% CI)

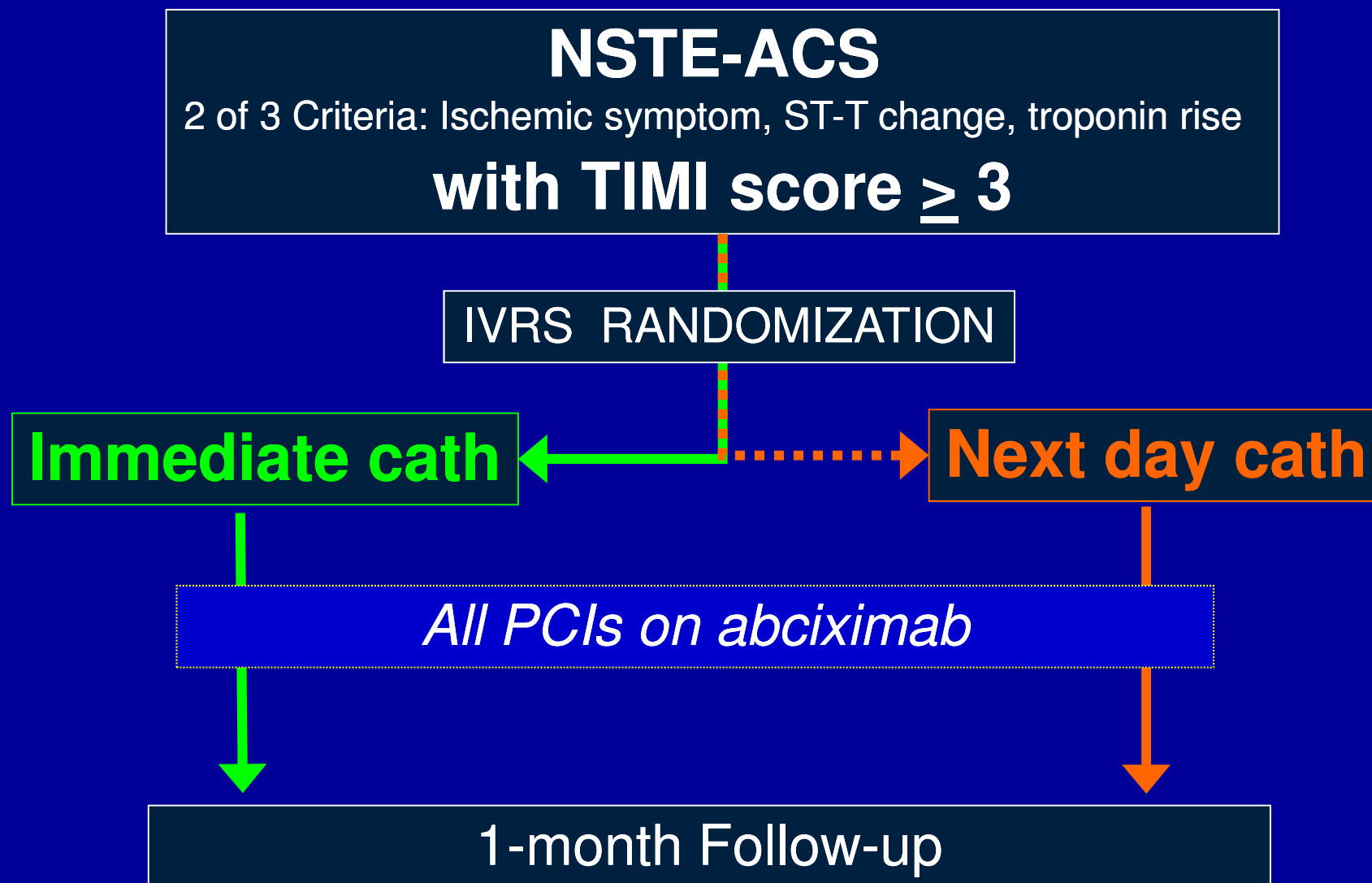


Conclusions

1. Overall, we found no significant difference between an early and a delayed invasive strategy for prevention of death, MI or stroke (primary outcome).
2. In the subgroup at highest risk (GRACE score > 140), an early invasive strategy appears to be superior to a delayed invasive strategy for prevention of death, MI or stroke.
3. The early invasive strategy had a large impact on reducing the rate of refractory ischemia by 70%.
4. There were no significant differences in major bleeding or other safety concerns between the two strategies.



ABOARD study design





Outcomes

- Primary

- MI: defined as the peak of troponin I during hospitalization

- Secondary

1. Death (any), new MI (CK-MB) or urgent revascularization (PCI or CABG)
2. Death, new MI, urgent revascularization or recurrent ischemia
3. Individual parameters



Index ACS event

Entry criteria, (%)	Immediate (N=175)	Delayed (N=177)
Ischemic symptom	98.2	97.7
ST-T segment changes	69.7	76.8
Elevated Troponin I	75.4	72.9
TIMI score, (%)		
≥ 3	95.4	95.5
≥ 5	22.9	30.5

Preliminary Results



In-hospital medications

	Immediate (N=175)	Delayed (N=177)
Aspirin, (%)	99.4	100
Clopidogrel, (%)	96.6	98.9
Loading dose, mean \pm sd, mg	660 \pm 268	663 \pm 267
Maintenance dose, mean \pm sd, mg	111 \pm 40	111 \pm 39
Abciximab, (%)	65.1	57.4
Unfractionated heparin only, (%)	5.1	3.4
Low Molecular Weight Heparin only, (%)	68.6	67.2
Both UFH and LMWH, (%)	22.9	28.8
Neither UFH nor LMWH, (%)	2.9	0.6
Beta-blocker, (%)	87.4	85.3
Statin, (%)	94.3	95.5
ACE inhibitor or ARB, (%)	84.5	80.2

Preliminary Results



Time to catheterization (hrs)

	IMMEDIATE	DELAYED
FRISC 2 (1999)	96	408
TRUCS (2000)	48	120
TIMI-18 (2001)	22	79
VINO (2002)	6	1464
RITA 3 (2002)	48	1020
ELISA (2003)	6	50
ISAR-COOL (2003)	3	86
ICTUS (2005)	23	283
TIME-ACS (2008)	14	50
ABOARD (2009) median (IQR), hr.min	1.10 (0.51-2.03)	20.48 (17.30-24.36)

Preliminary Results



Interventions

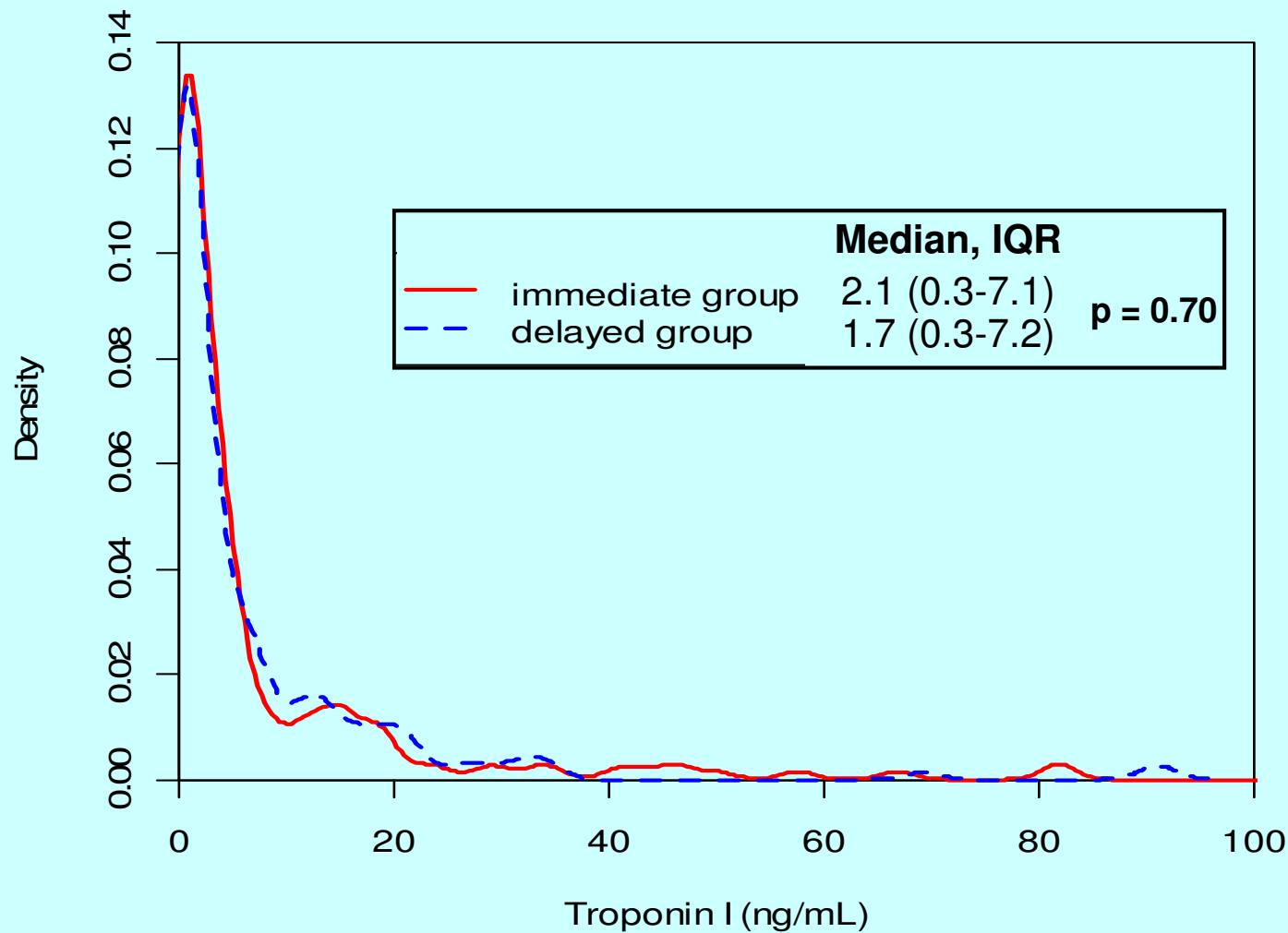
	IMMEDIATE	DELAYED
Radial access (%)	87.4	81.8
Culprit artery		
Left main trunk, (%)	4.1	7.3
Left anterior descending artery, (%)	48.6	45.0
Circumflex artery, (%)	24.7	29.1
Right coronary artery, (%)	24.7	25.2
Coronary bypass graft, (%)	2.1	2.0
Percutaneous Coronary Intervention, (%)	80.1	69.5
Stent (at least one), (% of PCI)	94.0	96.2
DES (at least one), (% of PCI)	47.9	55.2
Number of stents/patient, mean±sd	1.2 ± 0.9	1.2 ± 1.0
CABG surgery, (%)	11.0	11.3

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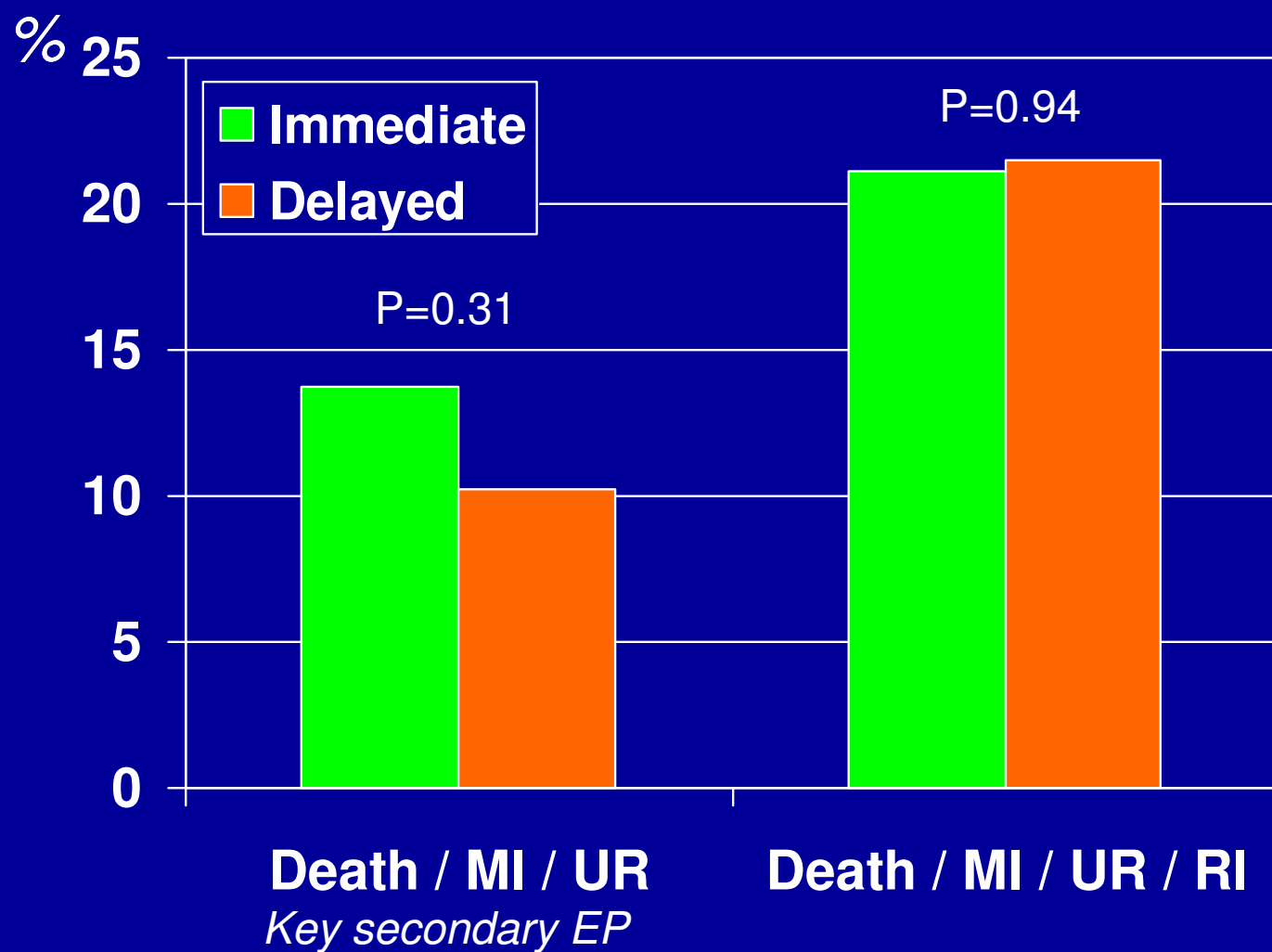
Primary EP (peak of troponin I)

Peak values of troponin I in the 2 groups





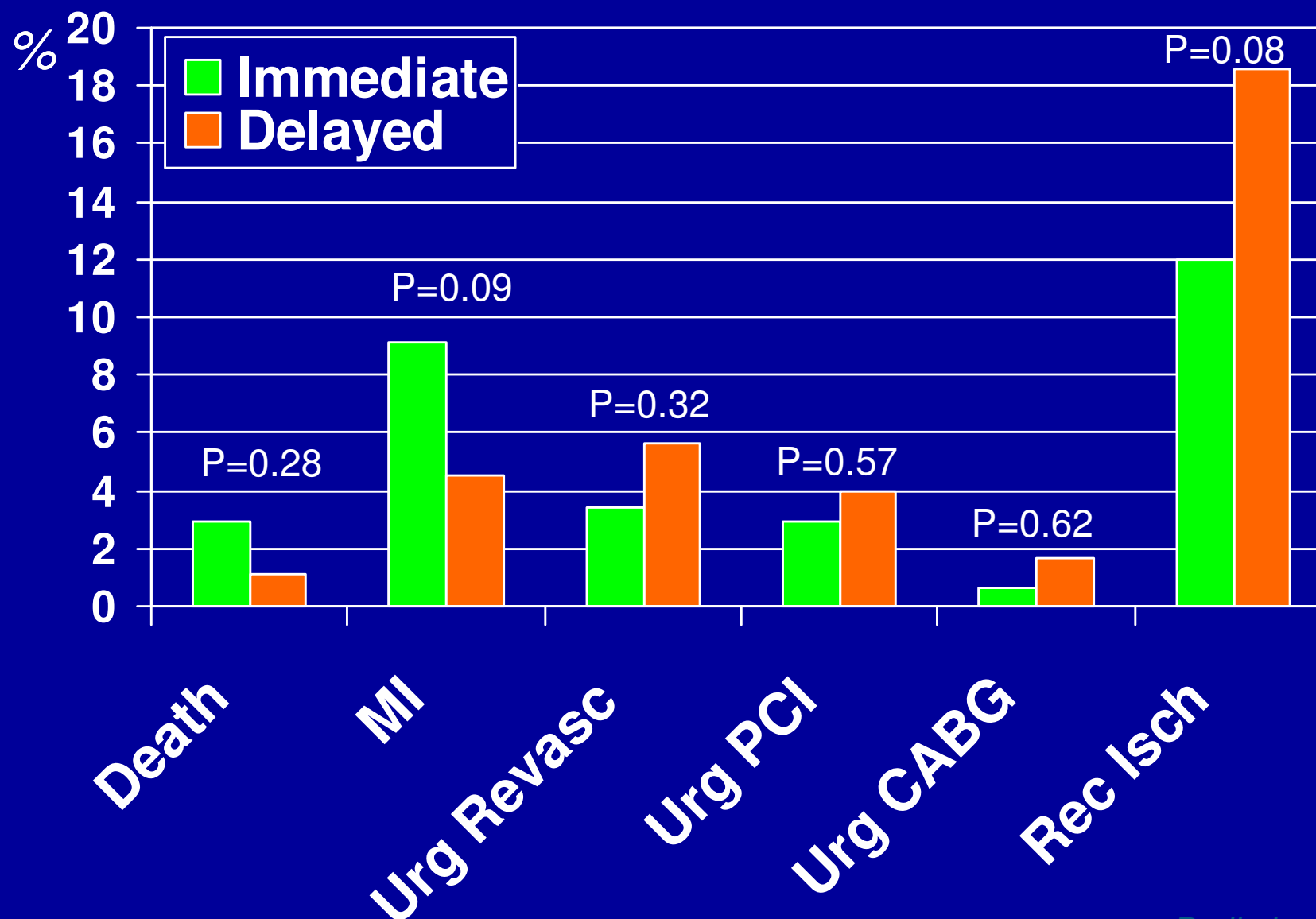
Composite Ischemic Endpoints at 1 month



Preliminary Results



Individual Ischemic Endpoints at 1 month



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Safety outcomes at 1 month

	Immediate	Delayed	<i>P</i>
Major bleeding at 1 month, (%)	4.0	6.8	<i>0.25</i>
Non-CABG related major bleeding,	2.3	5.1	<i>0.26</i>
CABG-related major bleeding	1.7	1.7	<i>1.00</i>
Transfusion \geq 2 units	3.4	5.6	<i>0.32</i>
Transfusion \geq 5 units	1.1	1.1	<i>1.00</i>
Thrombocytopenia at 1 month, (%)	2.9	4.5	<i>0.41</i>
Non-CABG thrombocytopenia, (%)	2.3	4.0	<i>0.54</i>
Post-CABG thrombocytopenia, (%)	0.6	0.6	<i>1.00</i>

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Sites of Major Bleedings

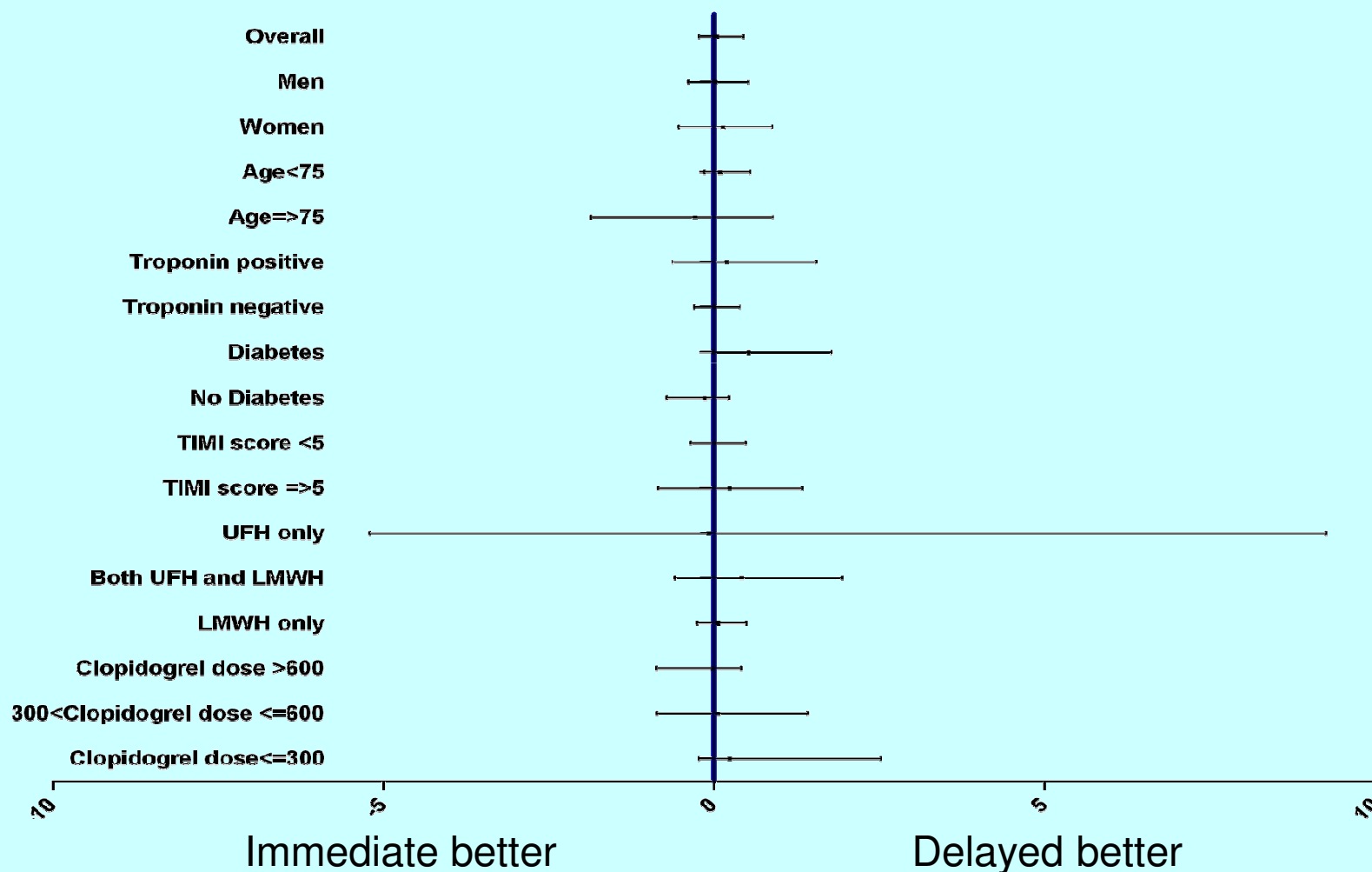
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1- Gastro-Intestinal	4
2- Puncture-related	4
3- Hemopericardium	2
4- Intracranial	1
5- Epistaxis	1
6- Hematoma (not puncture-related)	1
unknown	7

One patient had 2 bleeding events



Subgroup analysis (primary EP)

Median differences and Hodges-Lehmann CI for the primary end point (peak of troponin)





Hospital stay

Immediate Median, IQR, hrs	55 (30; 98)	$P < 0.001$
Delayed Median, IQR, hrs	77 (49; 145)	

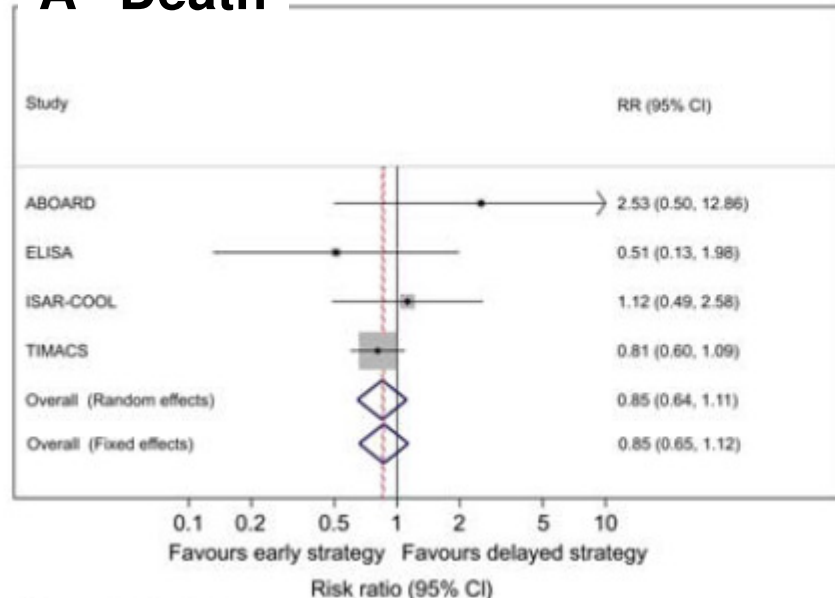


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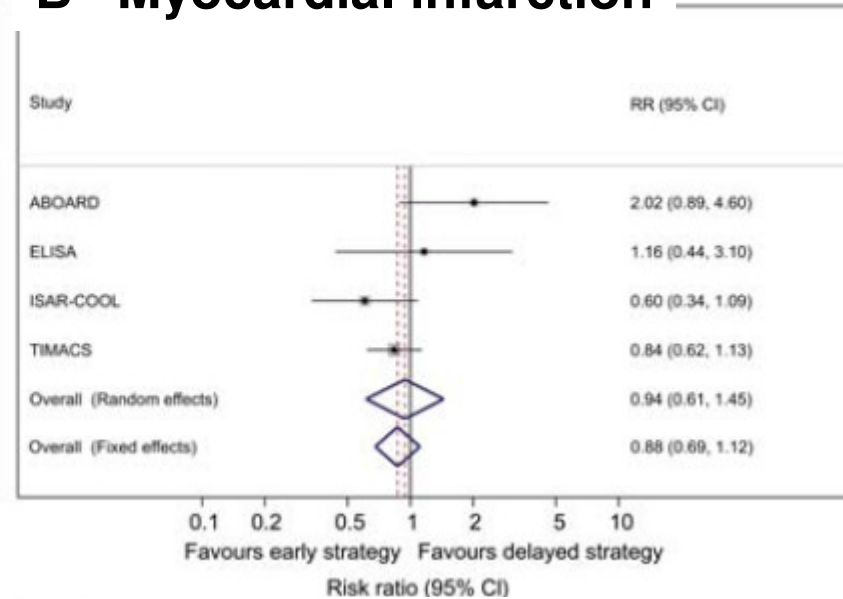
**A « primary PCI strategy » in NSTEMI-ACS
(compared with a rapid intervention on the next
day):**

- is feasible, but does not reduce the risk of MI (primary outcome)
- is not associated with significant differences in other efficacy or safety outcomes
- does not benefit to a particular subgroup of patients
- shortens significantly hospital stay

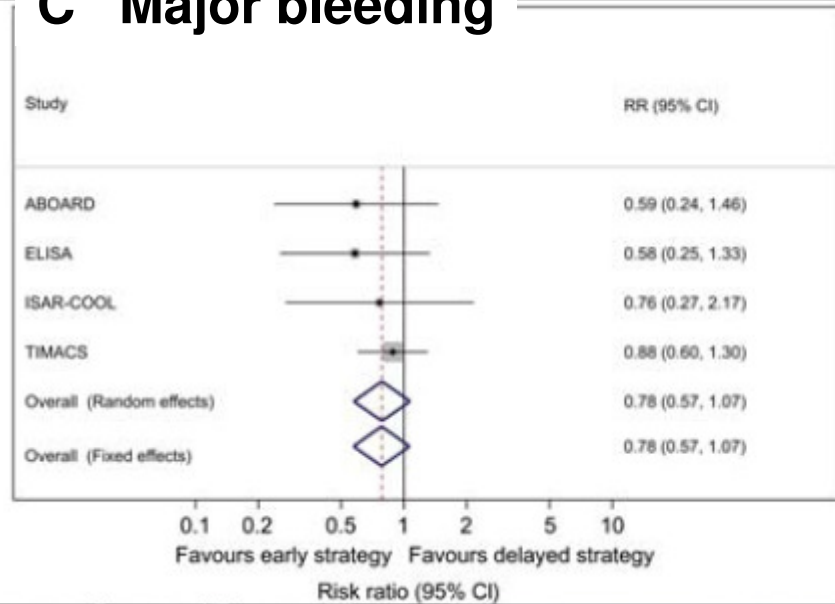
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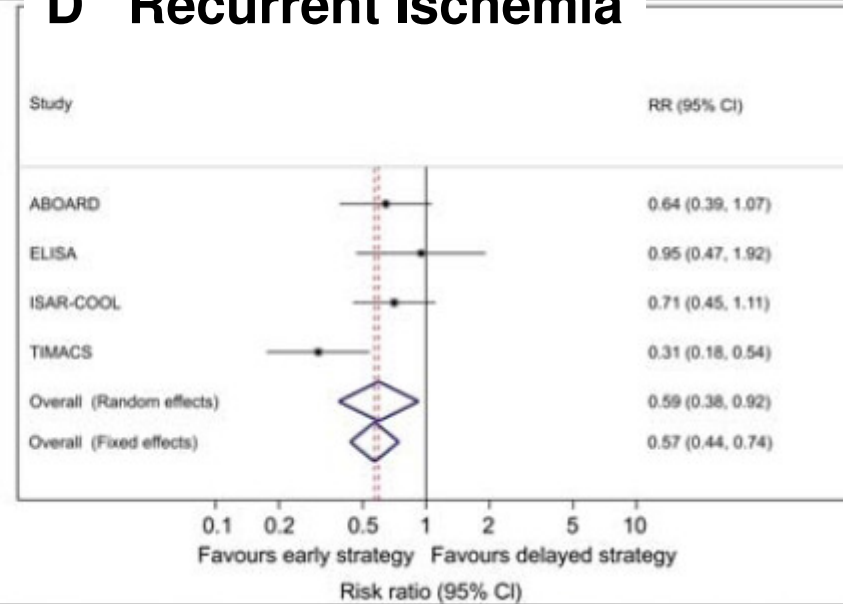
B Myocardial infarction



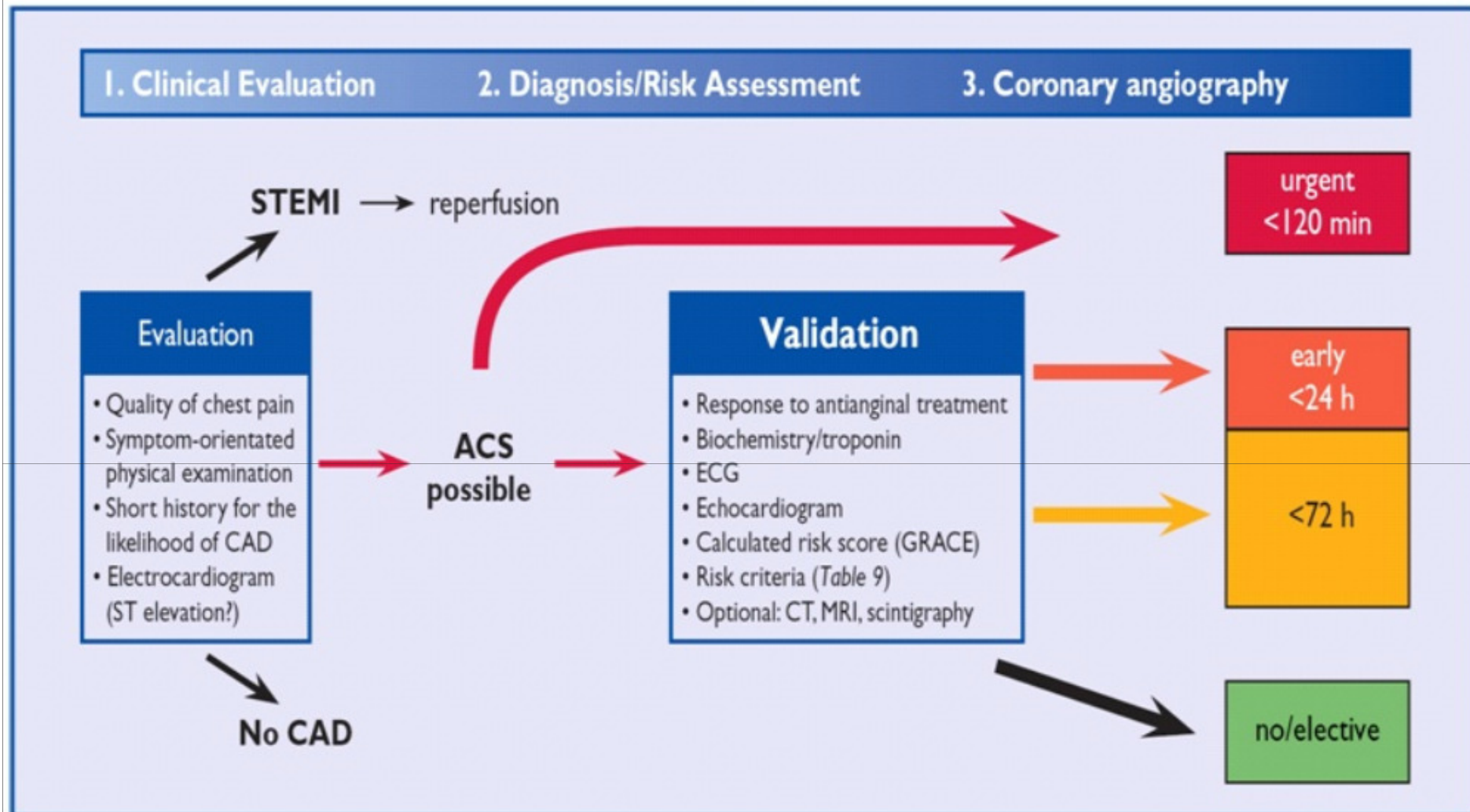
C Major bleeding



D Recurrent Ischemia



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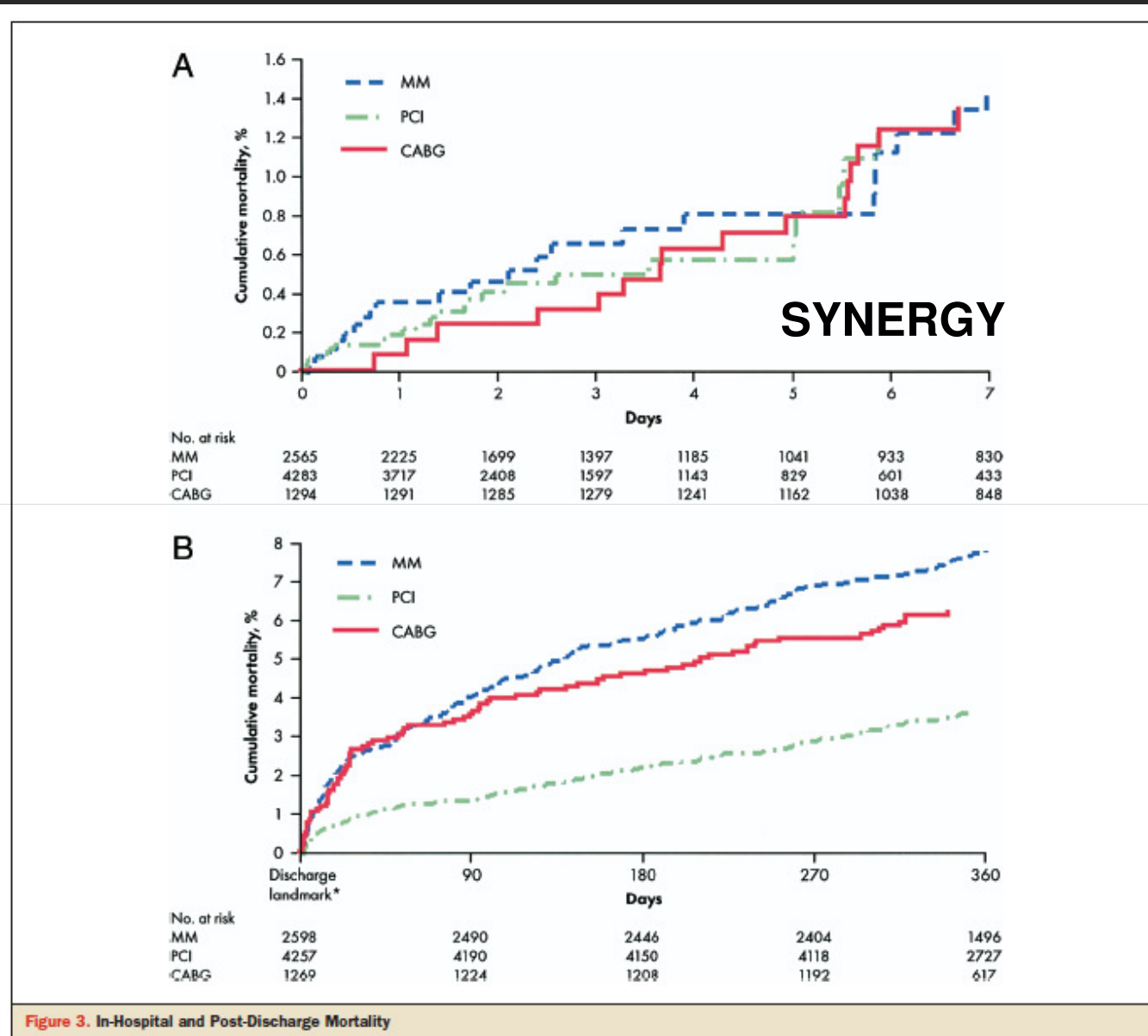


Medical management vs Revascularization

Table 4 Predictors of subsequent conservative management of NSTEMI-ACS patients with angiographically documented significant coronary artery disease (adapted from SYNERGY data [37])

Predictors of conservative management	Odds ratio (95% CI)
More likely (revascularization less likely)	
Prior history of CABG	1.44 (1.25–1.64)
Weight (per 10 kg decrease)	1.10 (1.05–1.14)
Three-vessel disease	1.33 (1.17–1.50)
History of heart failure	1.48 (1.24–1.77)
Killip class II–IV	1.33 (1.13–1.56)
Diabetes mellitus	1.15 (1.03–1.29)
Less likely (revascularization more likely)	
MI after admission but before catheterization	0.21 (0.11–0.42)

Medical management vs Revascularization

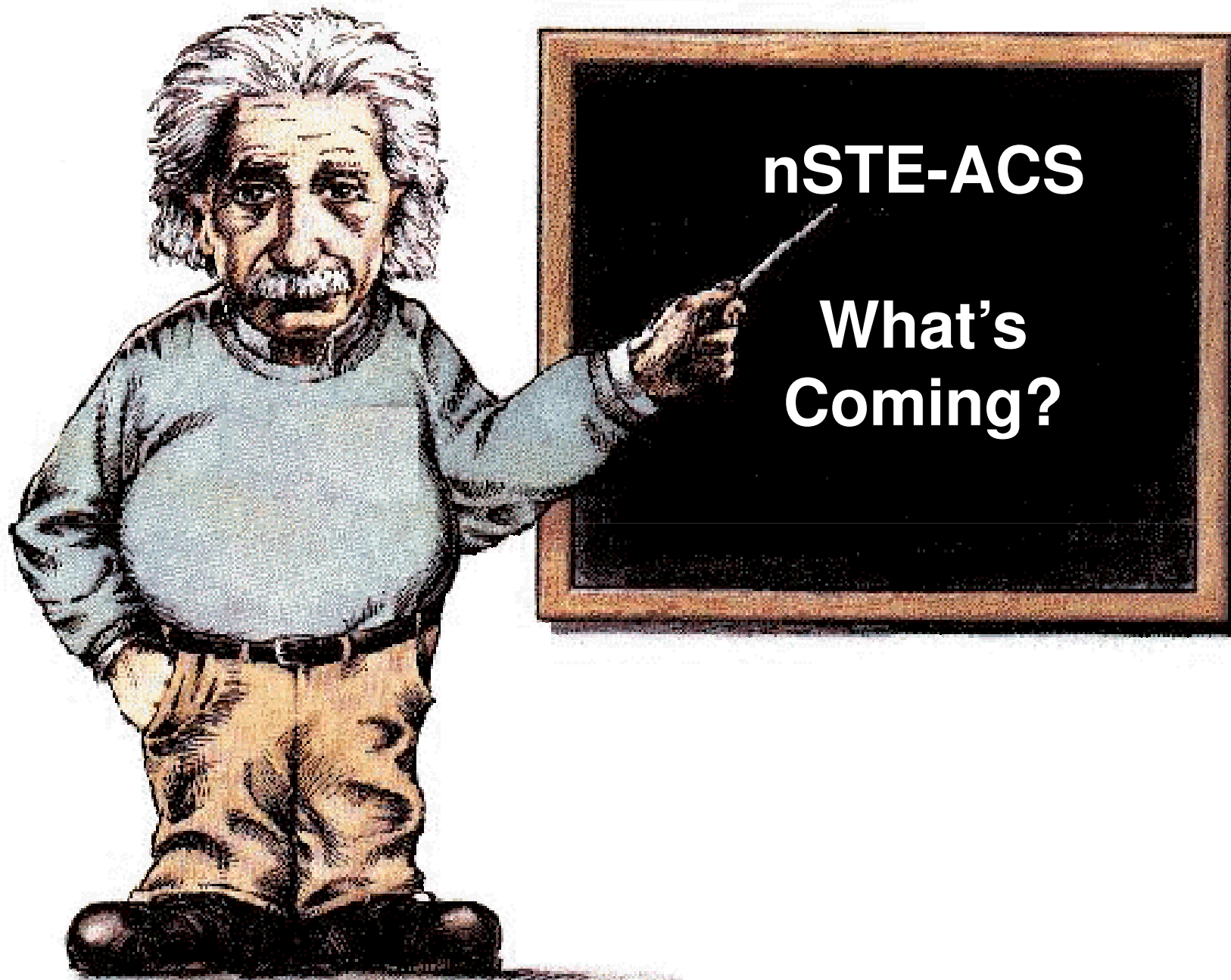


Predictors of early invasive management

Predictors of early invasive management CRUSADE	Odds ratio (95% CI)	<i>P</i> value
More likely		
Cardiology care	2.21 (2.06–2.37)	<0.001
ST segment depression	1.26 (1.16–1.36)	<0.001
Positive cardiac markers	1.51 (1.36–1.67)	<0.001
Hospital angioplasty capabilities	1.41 (1.12–1.76)	<0.001
Prior PCI	1.35 (1.24–1.47)	<0.001
Less likely		
Age (per 10 year increase)	0.80 (0.77–0.82)	<0.001
Prior congestive heart failure	0.49 (0.44–0.55)	<0.001
Female gender	0.86 (0.80–0.92)	<0.001
Renal insufficiency (creatinine >2.0 mg/dL or CrCl <30 mL/min)	0.51 (0.46–0.58)	<0.001
Off-hour presentation	0.80 (0.75–0.85)	<0.001
Diabetes	0.93 (0.86–1.00)	0.04
Prior CABG	0.83 (0.76–0.91)	<0.001

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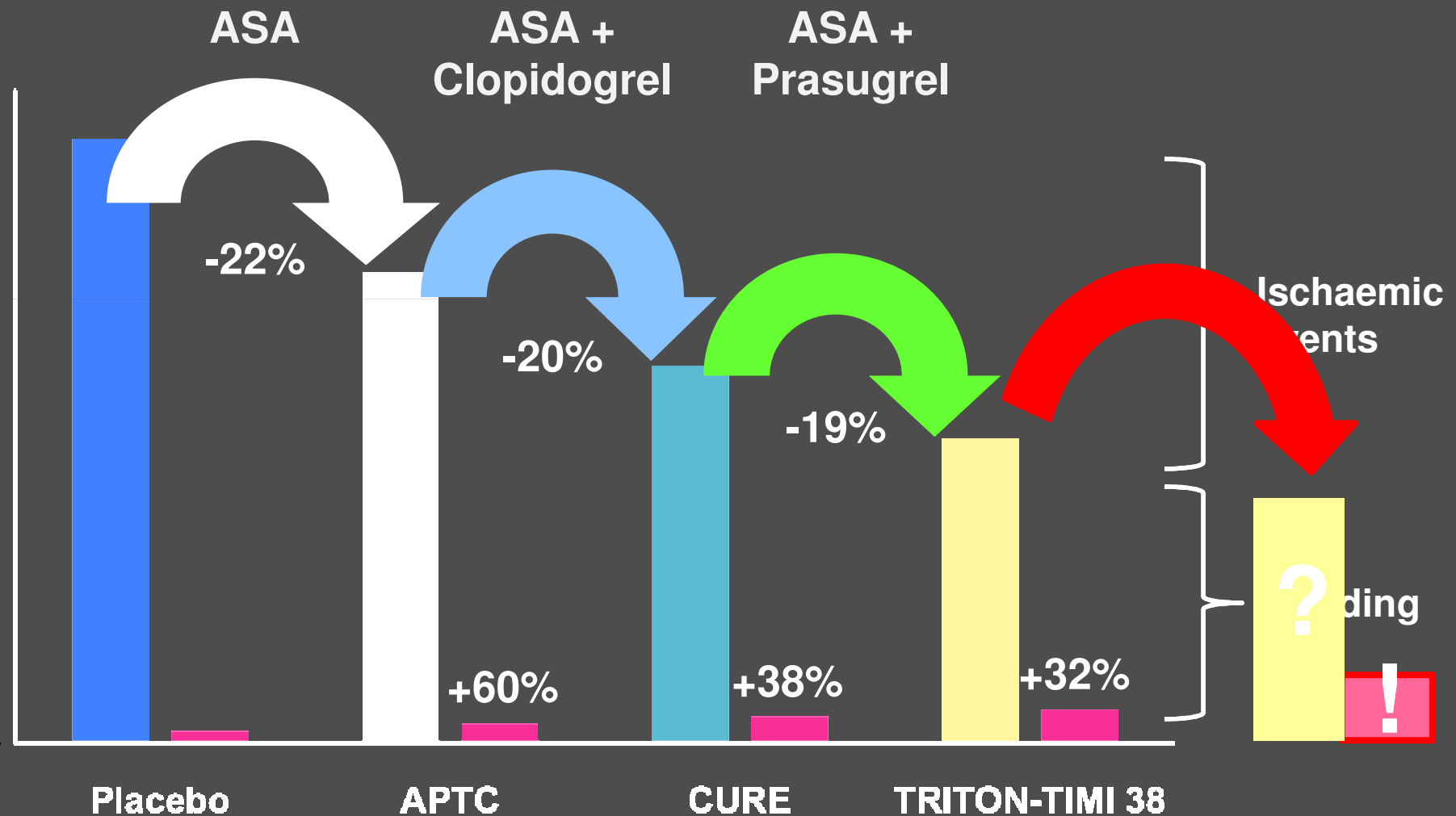
- ♥ Post hoc analyses SYNERGY / CRUSADE
- ♥ Patients managed medically after angiography constitute a particularly high risk group of patients
- ♥ We need better strategies to improve outcome in these patients



"The secret to creativity is knowing how to hide your sources."

Antiplatelet therapy in ACS

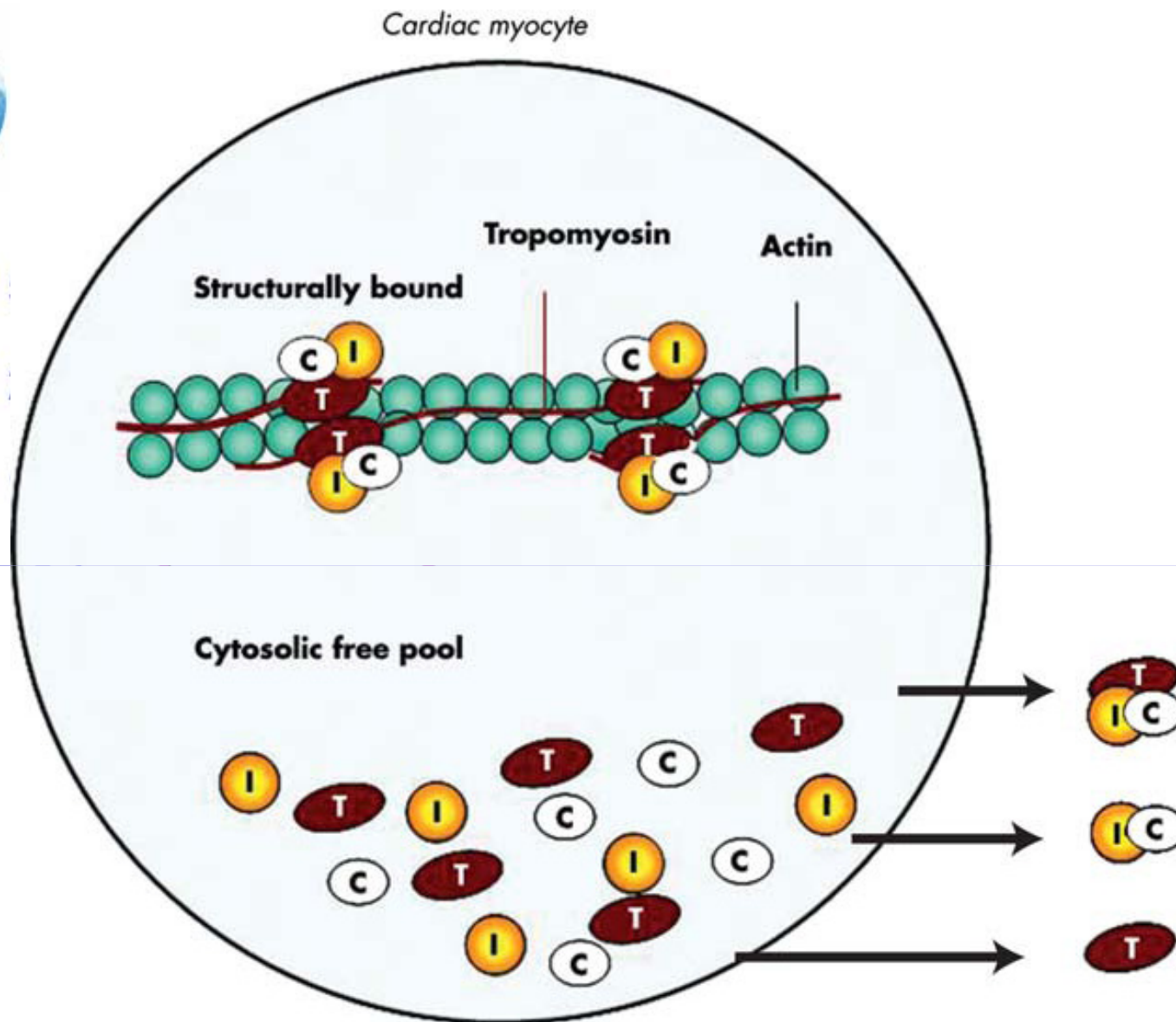
The risk of bleeding





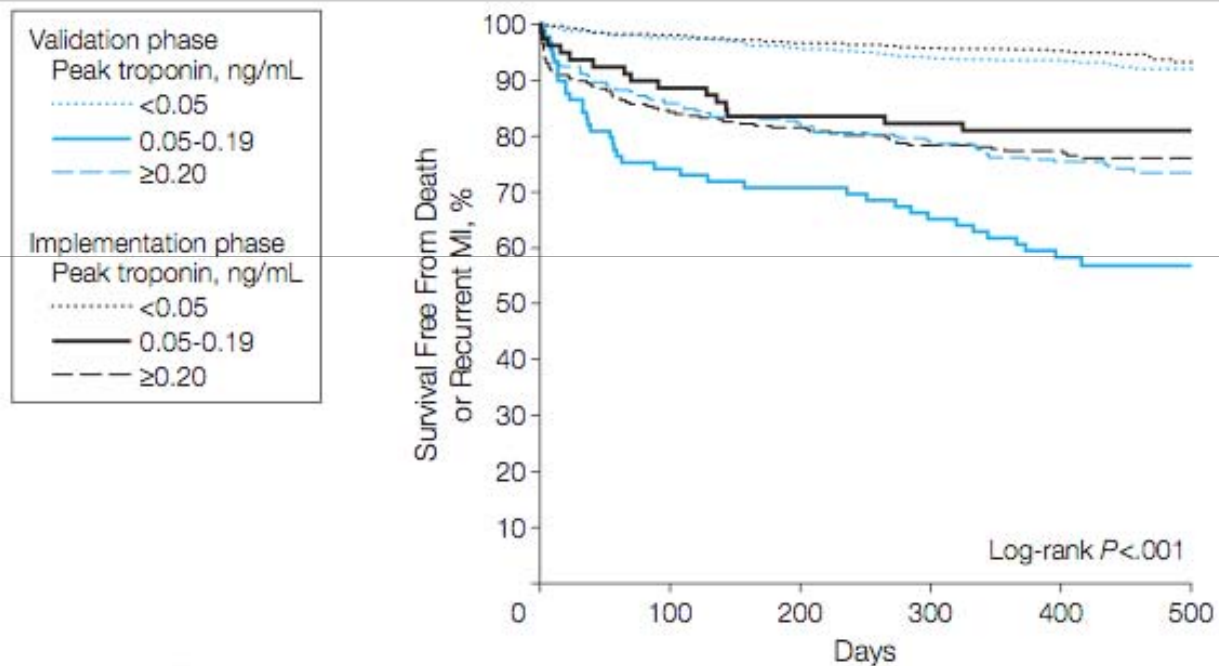


**Multiples of the AMI
cutoff limit**

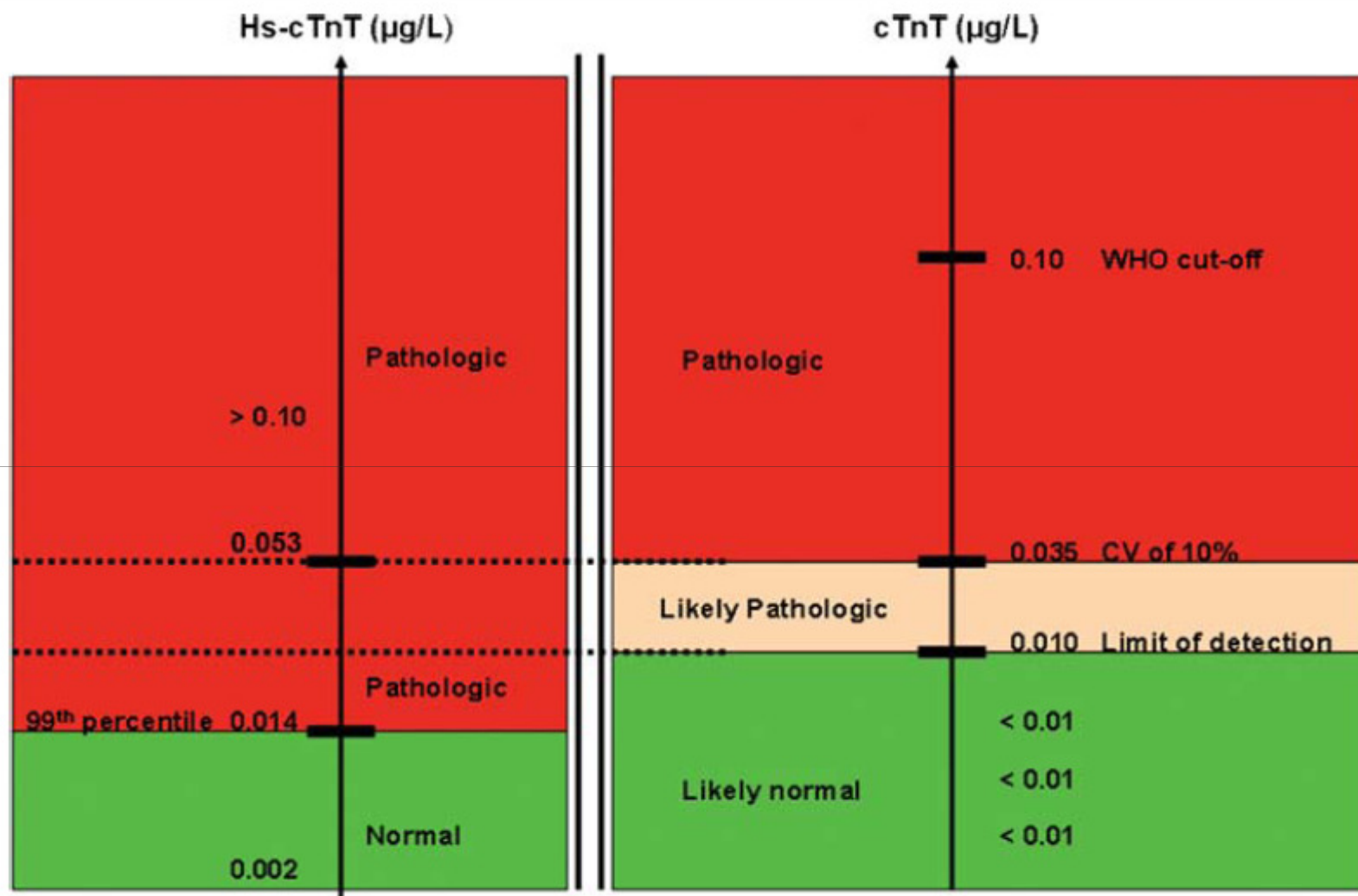


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Figure. Survival Free From Death or Recurrent MI in Patients With Suspected Acute Coronary Syndrome Before (Validation Phase) and After (Implementation Phase) the Introduction of a Sensitive Troponin Assay



Mills et al, JAMA 2011



Criteria for high risk with indication for invasive management

Primary

- Relevant rise or fall in troponin^a
- Dynamic ST- or T-wave changes (symptomatic or silent)

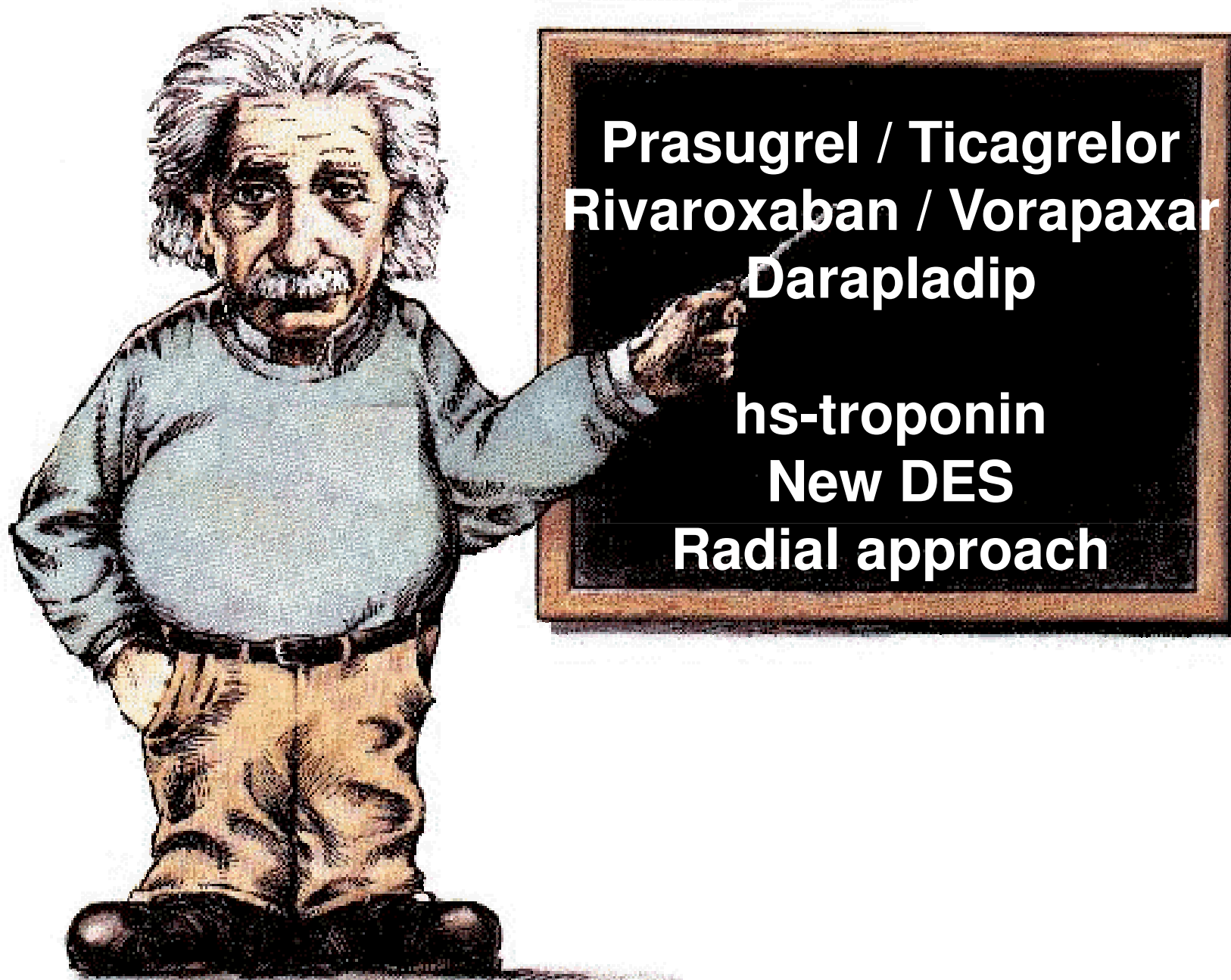


< 24 hrs

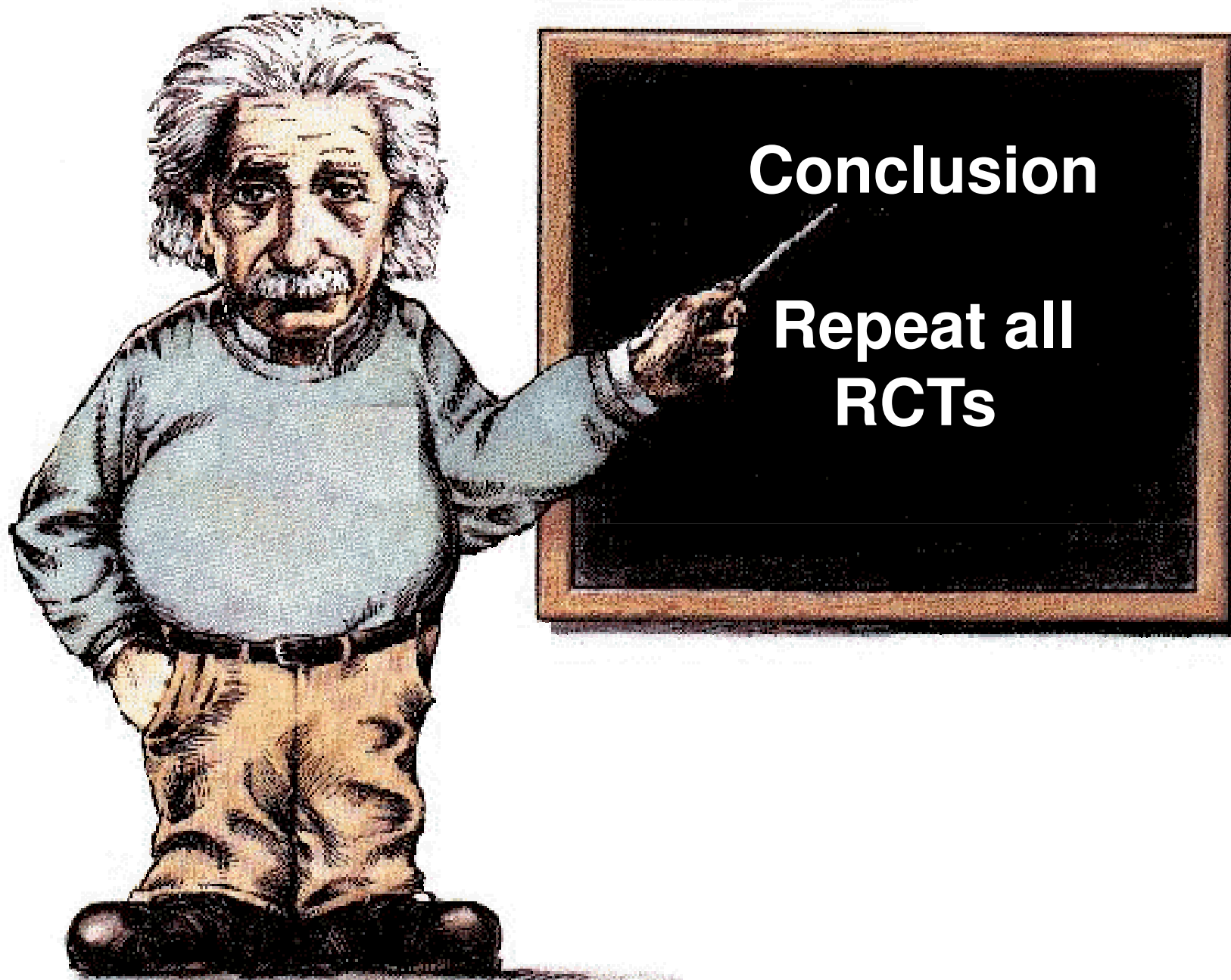
Secondary

- Diabetes mellitus
- Renal insufficiency (eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m²)
- Reduced LV function (ejection fraction <40%)
- Early post infarction angina
- Recent PCI
- Prior CABG
- Intermediate to high GRACE risk score (Table 5)

< 72 hrs

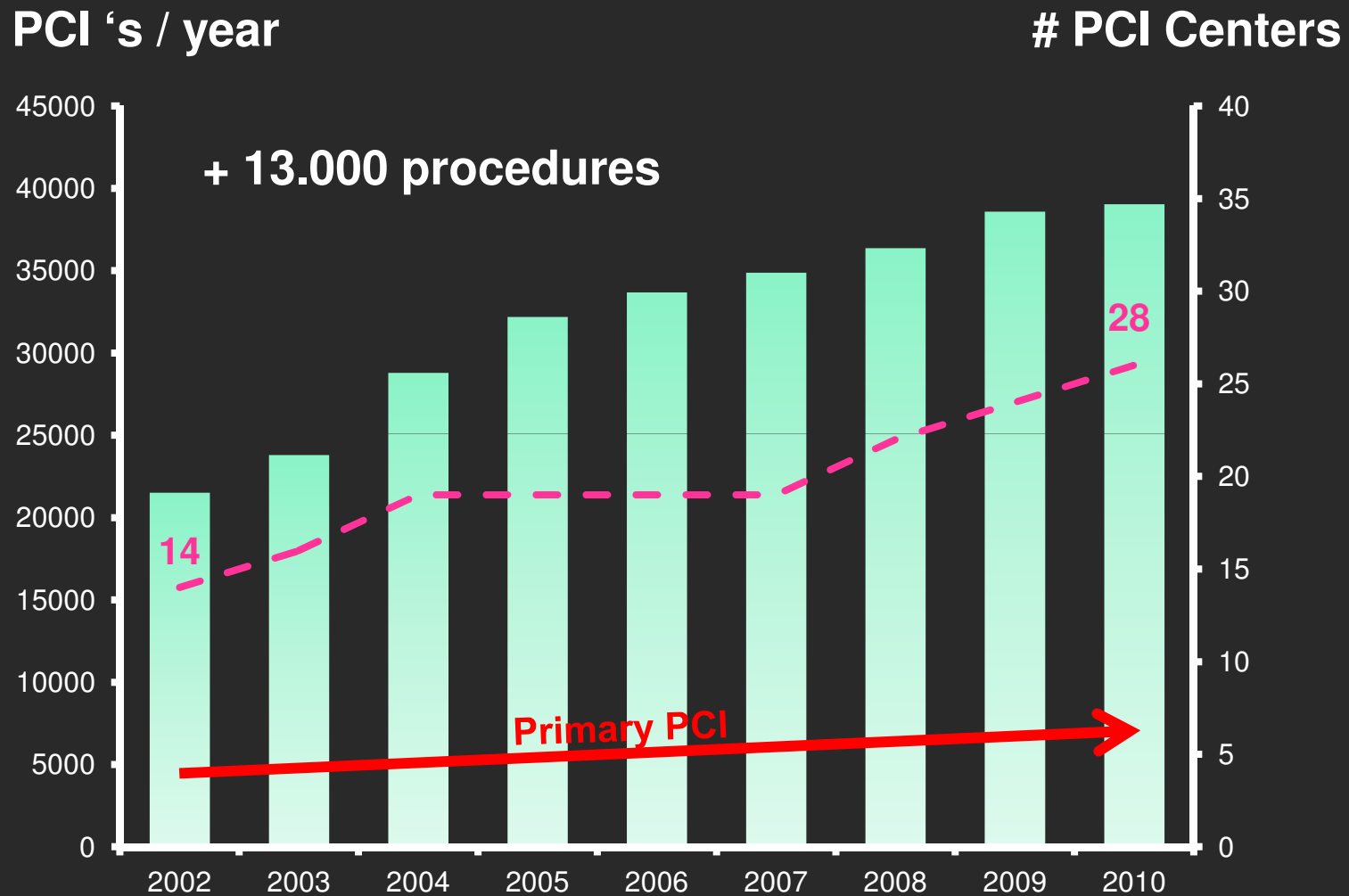


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Number of PCI's procedures and PCI-centers in the Netherlands



Source: BHN Nederland

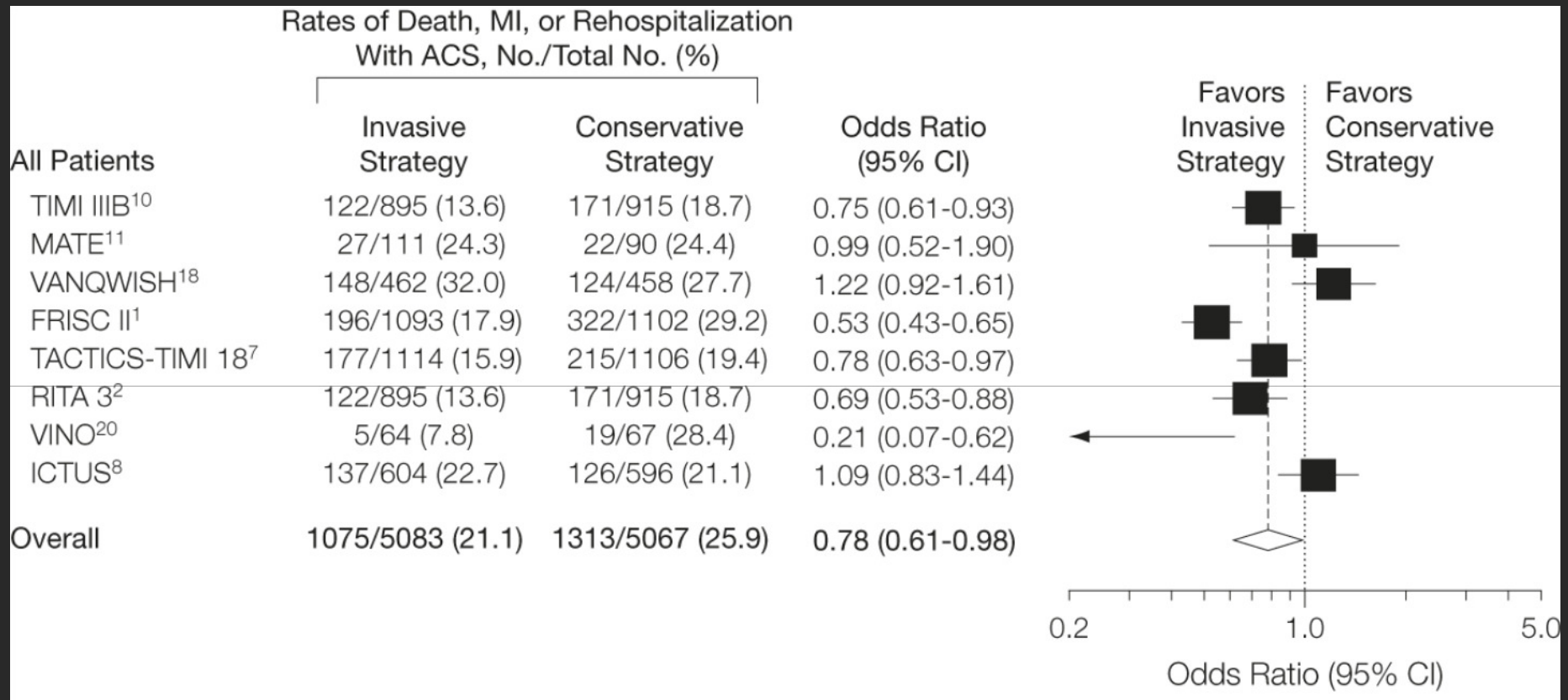
Revascularization in nSTE-ACS 2012

- ♥ **Invasive strategy after risk stratification**
 - √ most patients
- ♥ **Reduction in death or MI**
 - √ mortality reduction modest
- ♥ **Reduction length of stay**
- ♥ **Improvements in pharmacology & stents & hs-Troponins**
 - √ has not been tested

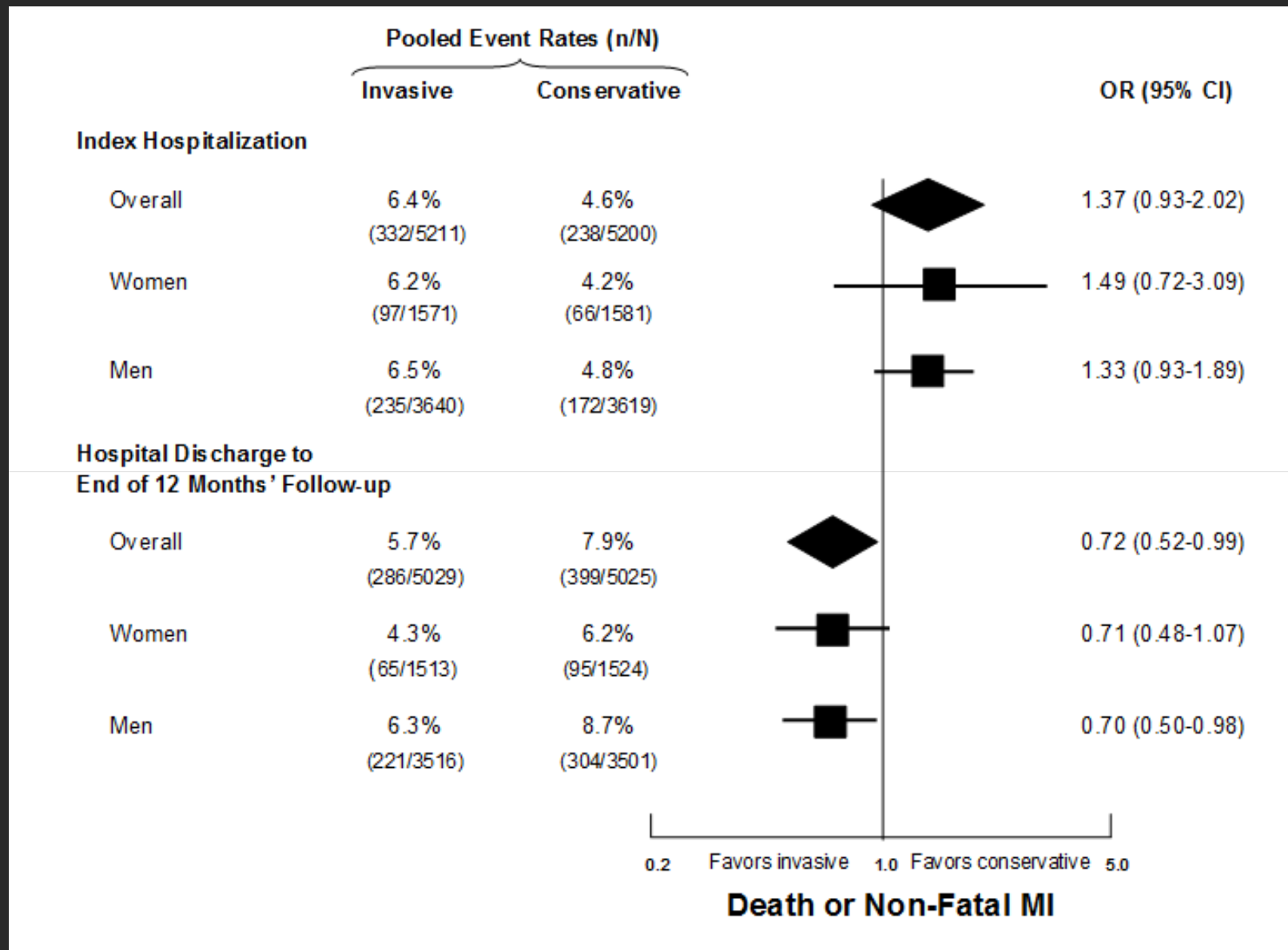


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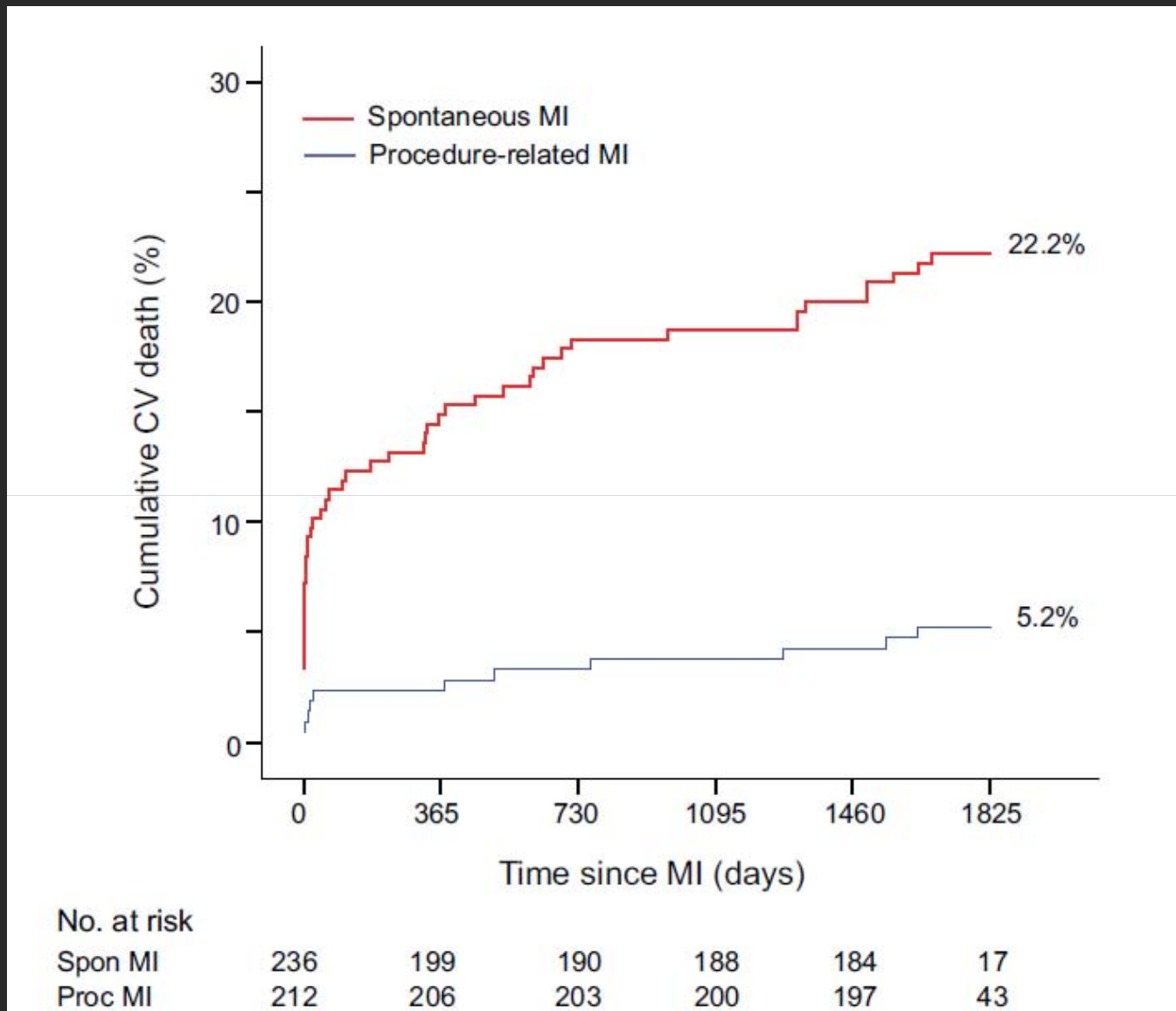
Gender and revascularization in nSTE-ACS



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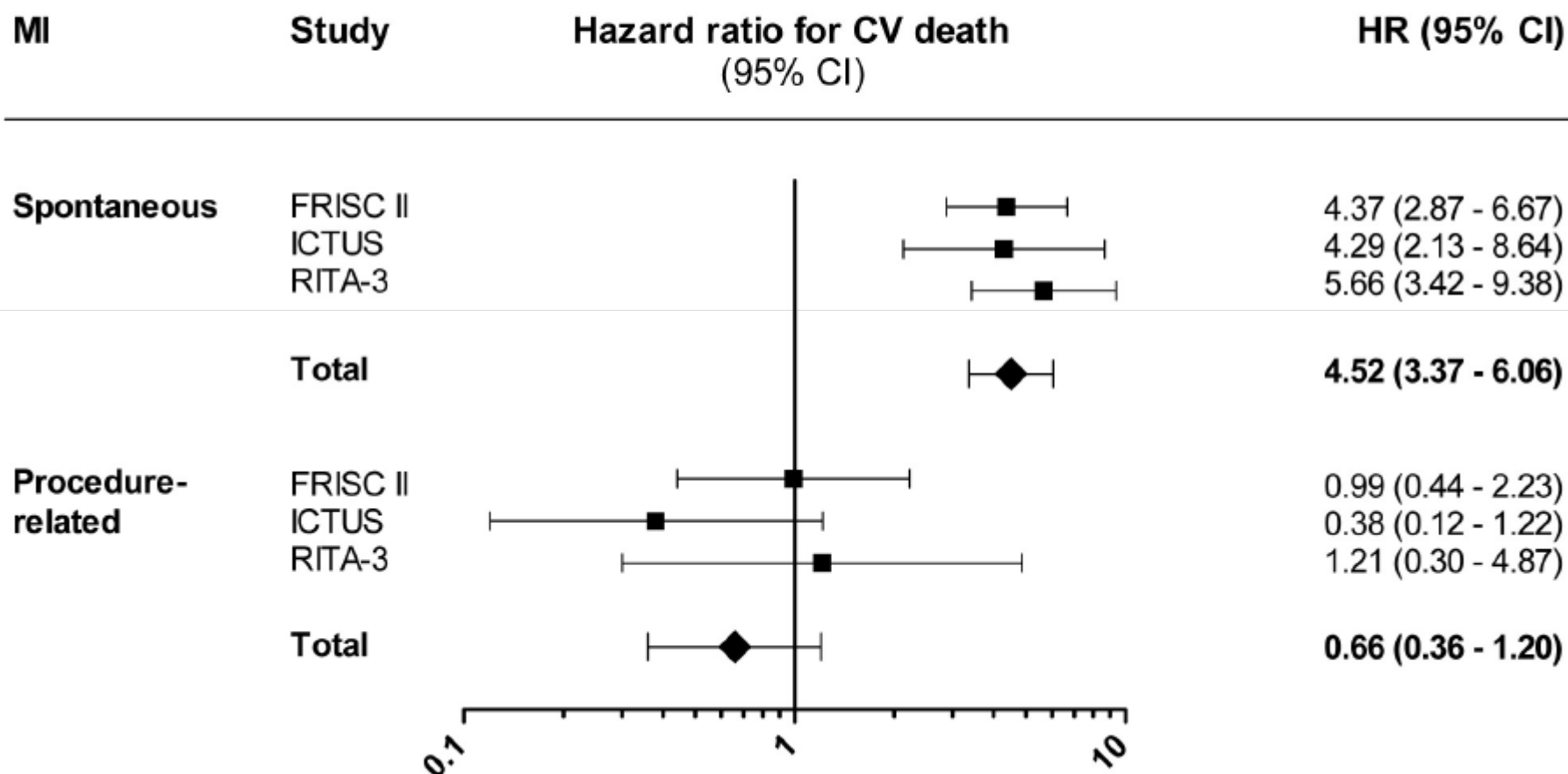
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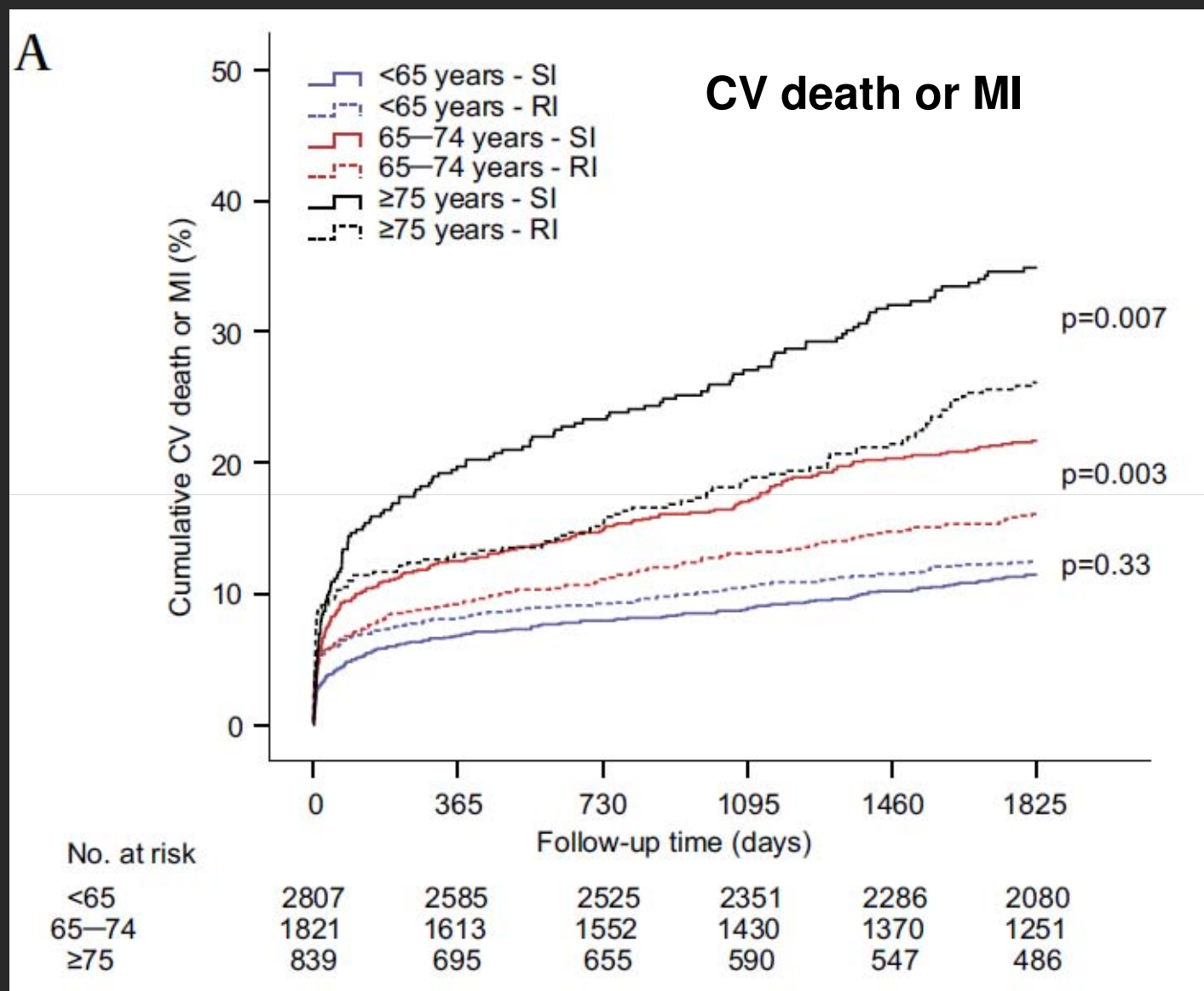
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Long-term cardiovascular mortality after spontaneous or procedure-related MI

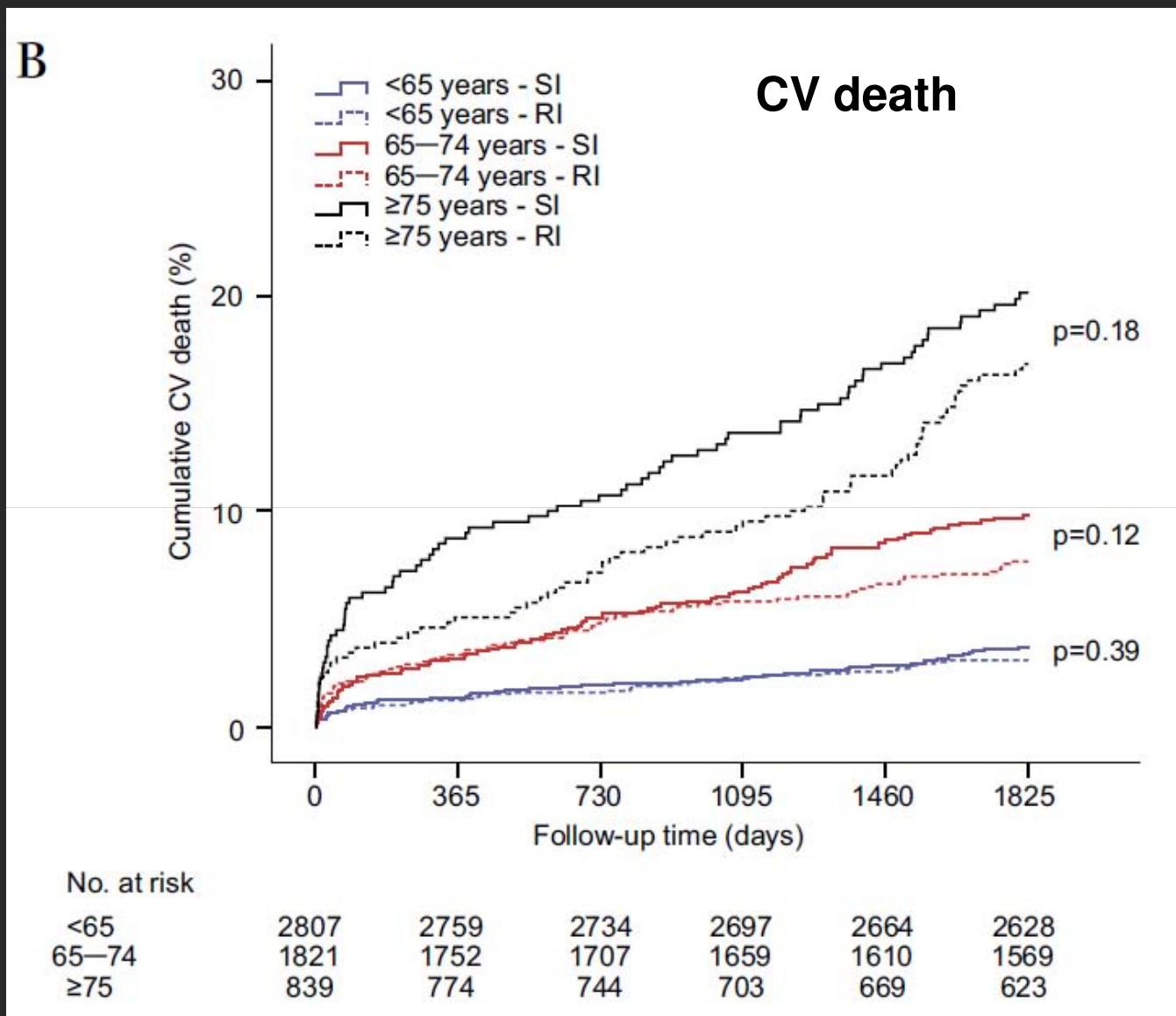


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Age and revascularization in nSTE-ACS



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