

# ESC NSTEMI Guidelines

## An Update

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# What was new?

- **Diagnostic**
  - High-sensitive troponin introduced
  - Echocardiography standard
  - Coronary CT for rule-out in low/intermediate risk patients
- **Risk Stratification**
  - 3-hour fast rule-out protocol
  - Bleeding risk score (CRUSADE)
- **Medical Treatment**
  - Ticagrelor and prasugrel introduced
- **Revascularization**
  - Timing of revascularization

# What is new 2013 ?

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- hs-Troponin: more data
  - CT: new studies
  - Invasive strategy: new metaanalysis
  - Prasugrel new study: TRILOGY
  - Vorapaxar: new antiplatelet drug
  - Rivaroxaban: new anticoagulation
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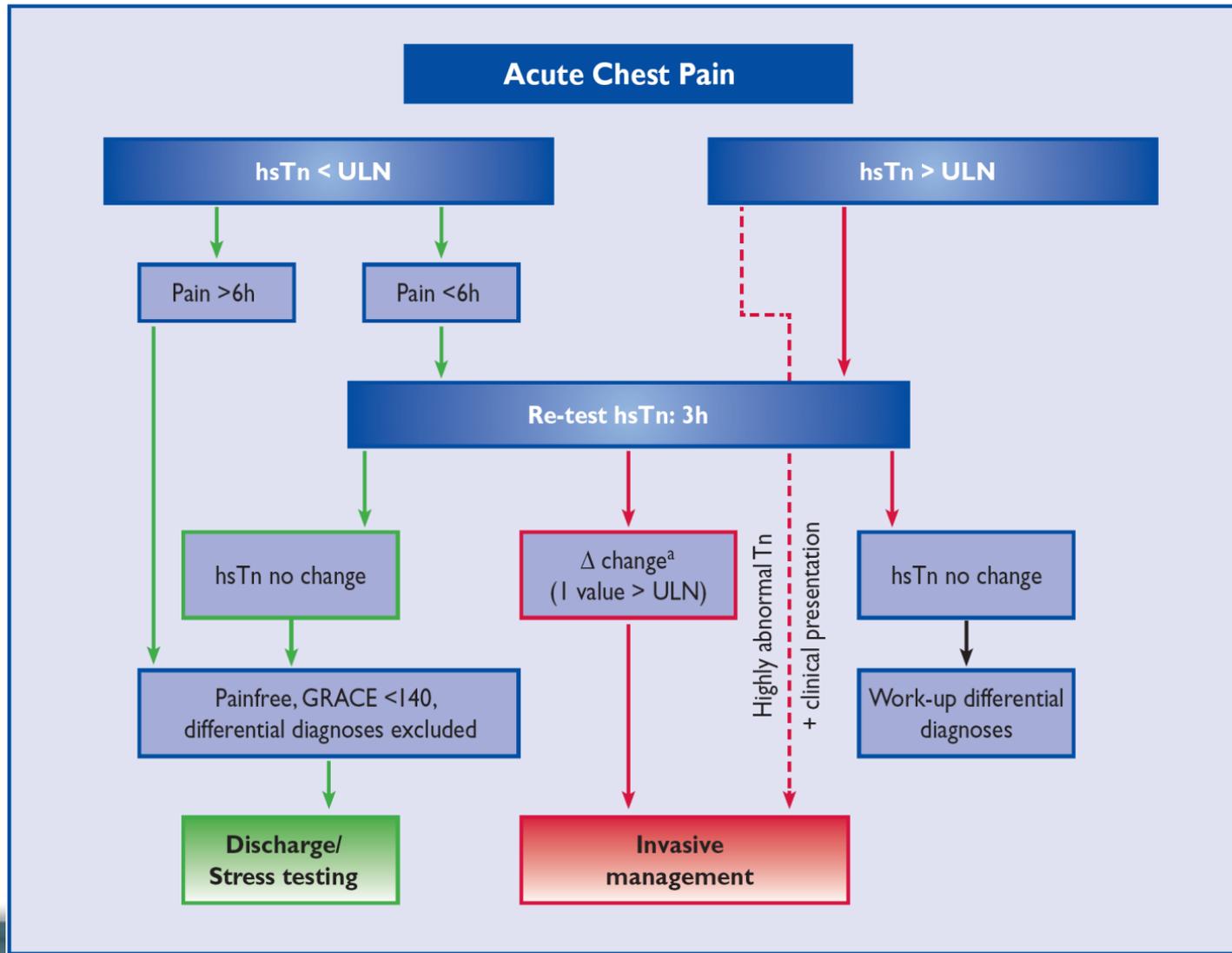
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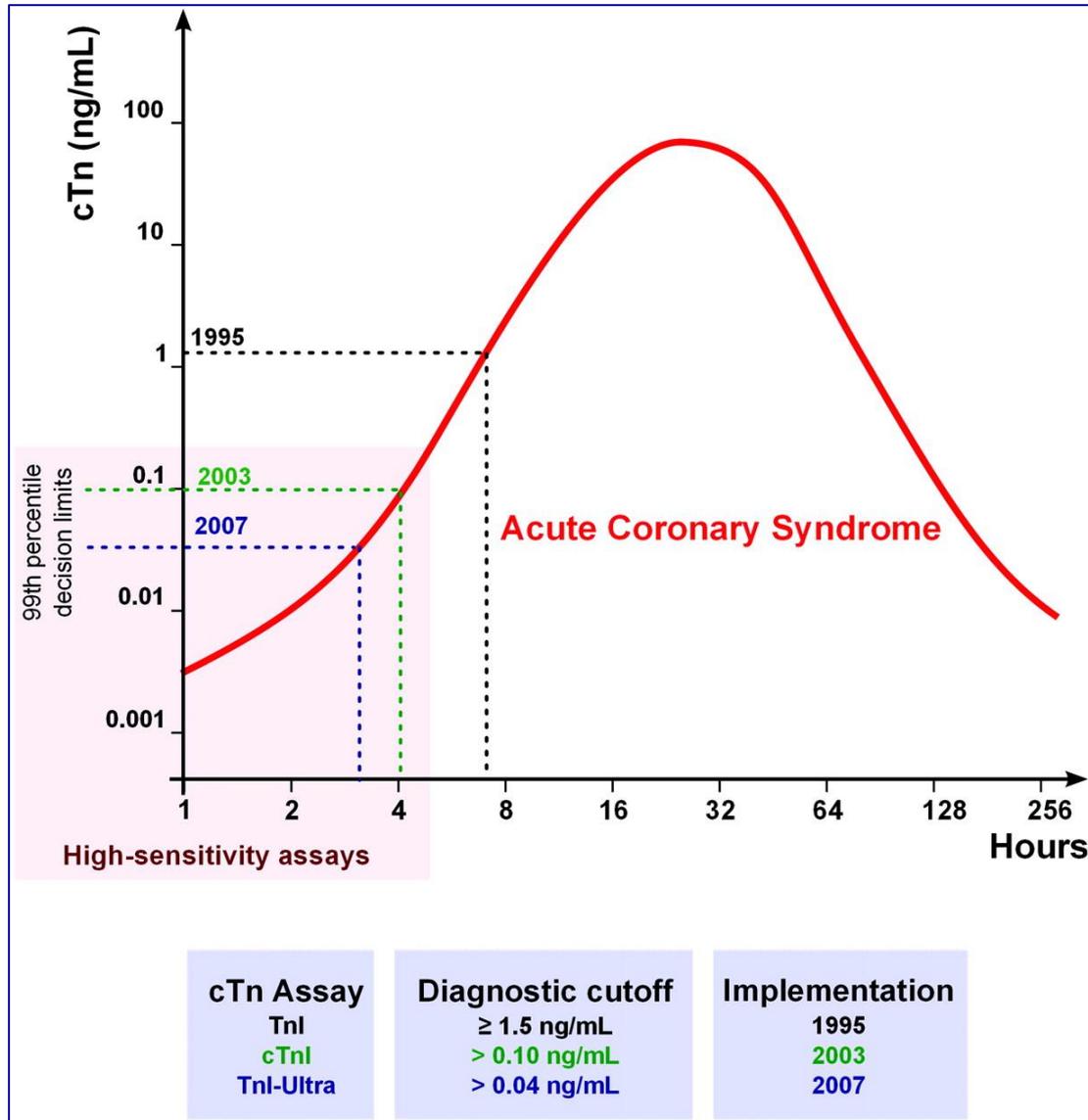
**A rapid rule-out protocol (0 and 3 h) is recommended when highly sensitive troponin tests are available.**

An echocardiogram is recommended for all patients to evaluate regional and global LV function and to rule in or rule out differential diagnoses.	I	C
Coronary angiography is indicated in patients in whom the extent of CAD or the culprit lesion has to be determined.	I	C
Coronary CT angiography should be considered as an alternative to invasive angiography to exclude ACS when there is a low to intermediate likelihood of CAD and when troponin and ECG are inconclusive.	IIa	B
In patients without recurrence of pain, normal ECG findings, negative troponin tests, and a low risk score, a non-invasive stress test for inducible ischaemia is recommended before deciding on an invasive strategy.	I	A

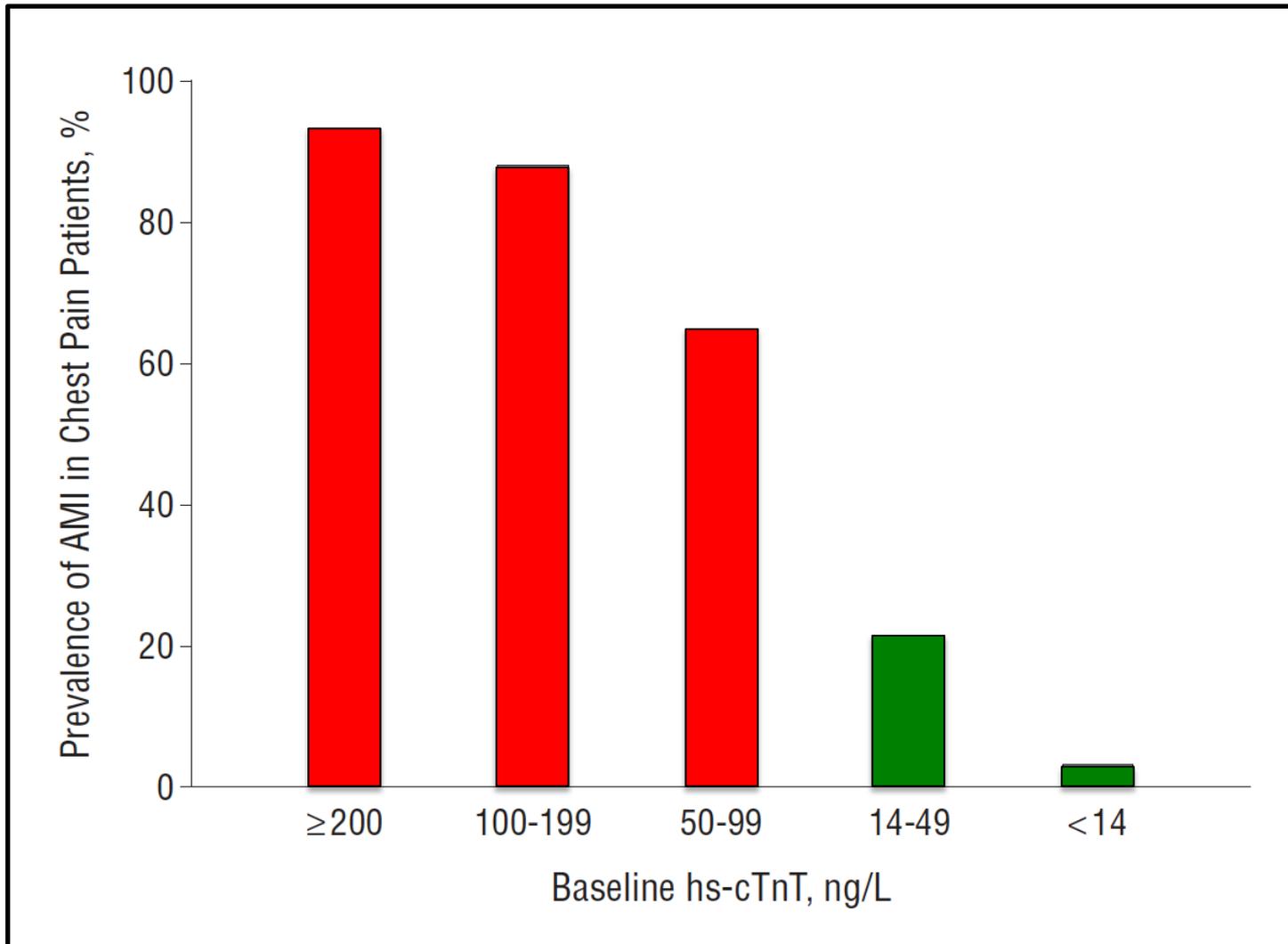
# Rapid rule-out of ACS with high-sensitivity troponin.



# Evolution of the cardiac troponin (cTn) assays



# Hs-Troponin Elevation on Admission





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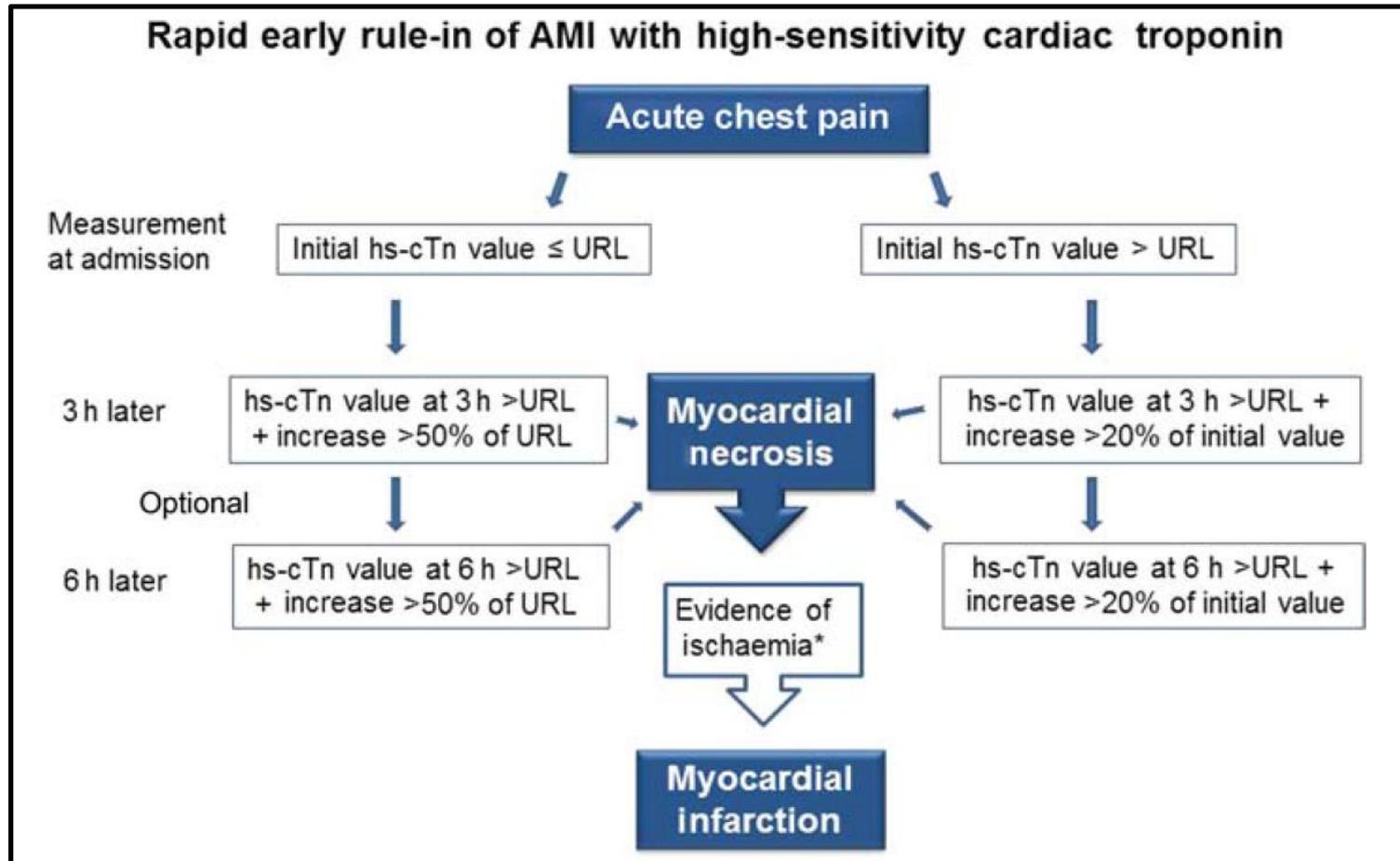
# How to use high-sensitivity cardiac troponins in acute cardiac care<sup>†</sup>

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# Algorithm for Rapid Rule-in



# Recommendations for diagnosis and risk stratification (2)

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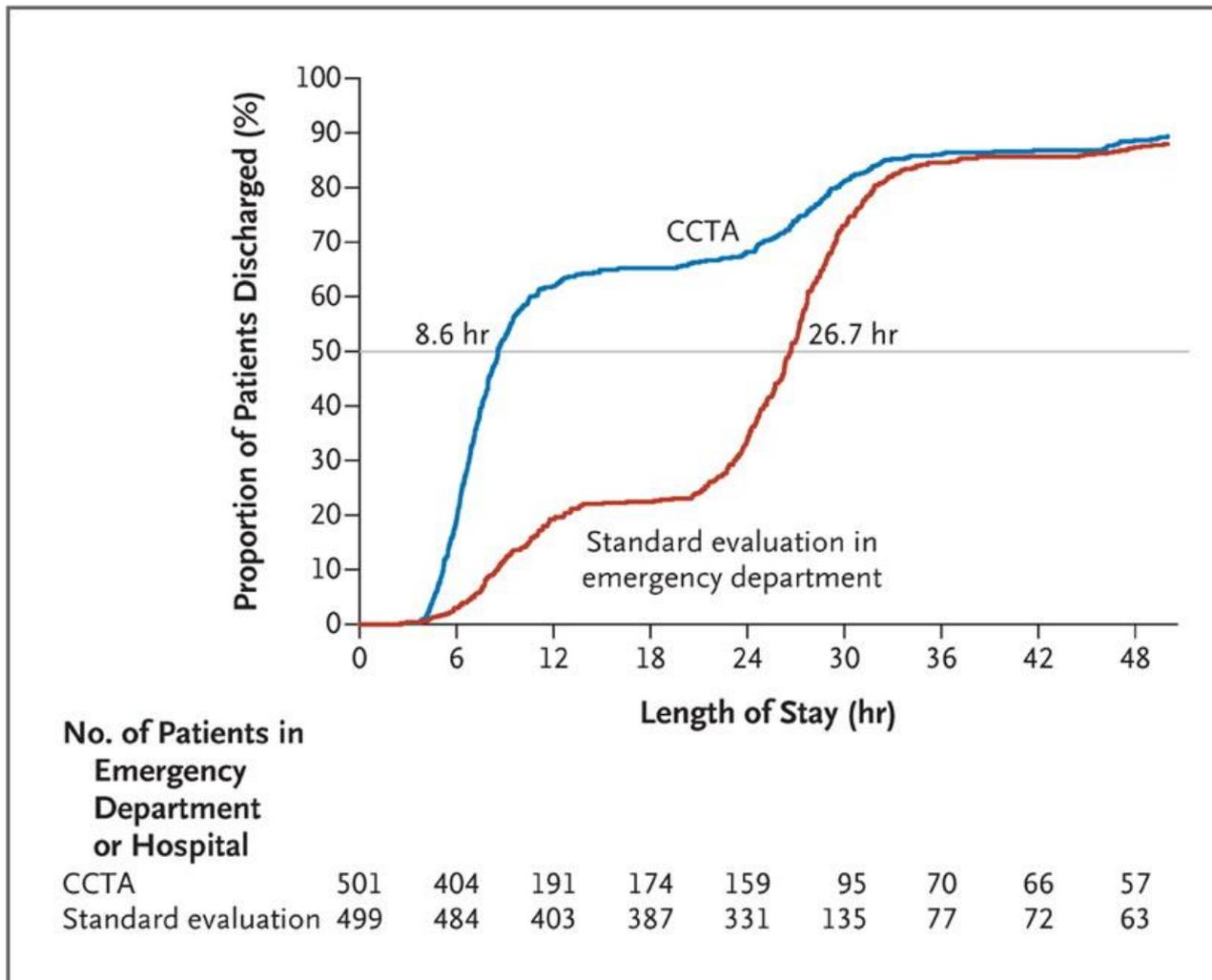
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Coronary CT Angiography versus Standard Evaluation  
in Acute Chest Pain

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## Length of Stay in the Hospital and Proportion of Patients Discharged.



# Criteria for high risk with indication for invasive management

## Primary

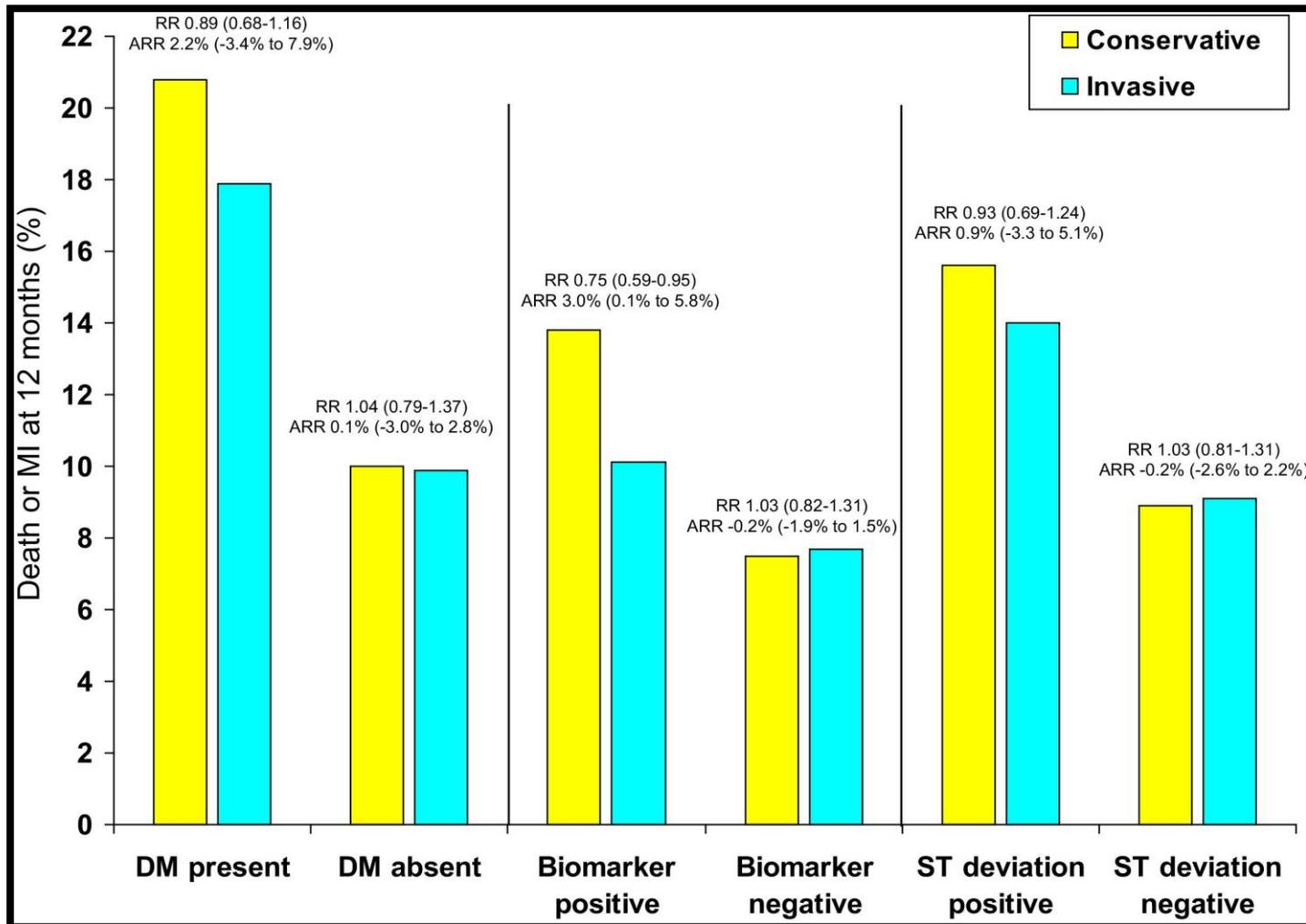
- Relevant rise or fall in troponin.
- Dynamic ST- or T-wave changes (symptomatic or silent).

## Secondary

- Diabetes mellitus.
- Renal insufficiency (eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>).
- Reduced LV function (ejection fraction < 40%).
- Early post infarction angina.
- Recent PCI.
- Prior CABG.
- Intermediate to high GRACE risk score.

# Meta-analysis in Diabetes

## Invasive vs conservative Management



# Recommendations for oral antiplatelet agents

Recommendations	Class	Level
Aspirin should be given to all patients without contraindications at an initial loading dose of 150-300 mg, and at a maintenance dose of 75-100 mg daily long-term regardless of treatment strategy.	I	A
A P2Y <sub>12</sub> inhibitor should be added to aspirin as soon as possible and maintained over 12 months, unless there are contraindications such as excessive risk of bleeding.	I	A
A proton pump inhibitor (preferably not omeprazole) in combination with DAPT is recommended in patients with a history of gastrointestinal haemorrhage or peptic ulcer, and appropriate for patients with multiple other risk factors ( <i>H. helicobacter</i>	I	A

Prasugrel (60 mg loading dose, 10 mg daily dose) is recommended for P2Y<sub>12</sub>-inhibitor-naïve patients (especially diabetics) in whom coronary anatomy is known and who are proceeding to PCI unless there is a high risk of life-threatening bleeding or other contraindications.



**Prasugrel vs. Clopidogrel for Acute  
Coronary Syndromes Patients Managed  
without Revascularization —  
the TRILOGY ACS trial**

On behalf of the TRILOGY ACS Investigators



**Duke Clinical Research Institute**

[www.clinicaltrials.gov](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov) Identifier: NCT00699998

# TRILOGY ACS Study Design

Medically Managed UA/NSTEMI Patients

Randomization Stratified by:  
**Age, Country, Prior Clopidogrel Treatment**  
 (Primary analysis cohort — Age < 75 years)

Median Time to Enrollment = 4.5 Days

Medical Management Decision ≤ 72 hrs  
 (No prior clopidogrel given) — 4% of total

Medical Management Decision ≤ 10 days  
 (Clopidogrel started ≤ 72 hrs in-hospital OR  
 on chronic clopidogrel) — 96% of total

**Clopidogrel<sup>1</sup>**  
 300 mg LD  
 +  
 75 mg MD

**Prasugrel<sup>1</sup>**  
 30 mg LD  
 +  
 5 or 10 mg MD

**Clopidogrel<sup>1</sup>**  
 75 mg MD

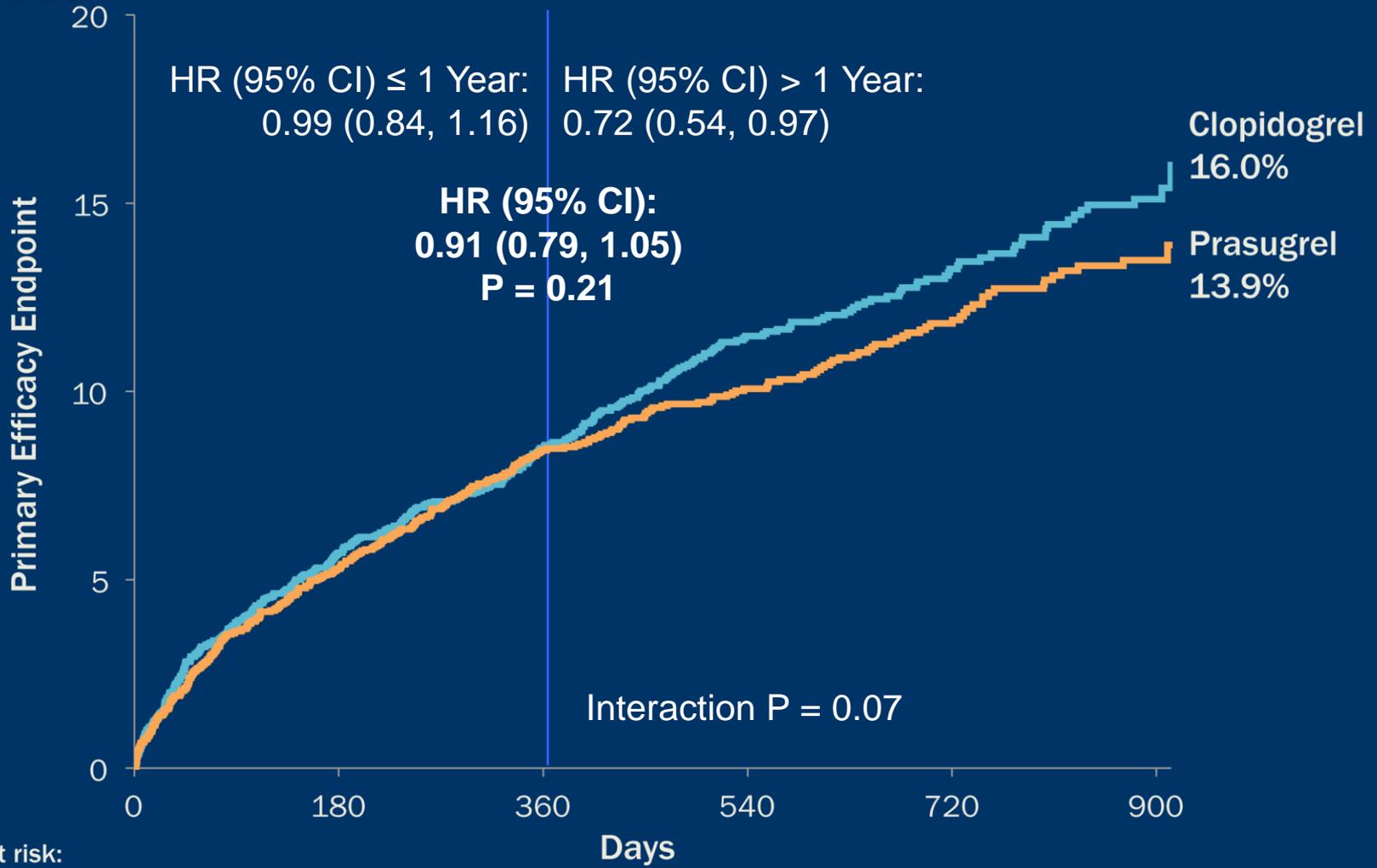
**Prasugrel<sup>1</sup>**  
 5 or 10 mg MD

Minimum Rx Duration: 6 months; Maximum Rx Duration: 30 months

Primary Efficacy Endpoint: CV Death, MI, Stroke

1. All patients were on aspirin and low-dose aspirin (< 100 mg) was strongly recommended. For patients <60 kg or ≥75 years, 5 mg MD of prasugrel was given. Adapted from Chin CT et al. *Am Heart J* 2010;160:16-22.e1.

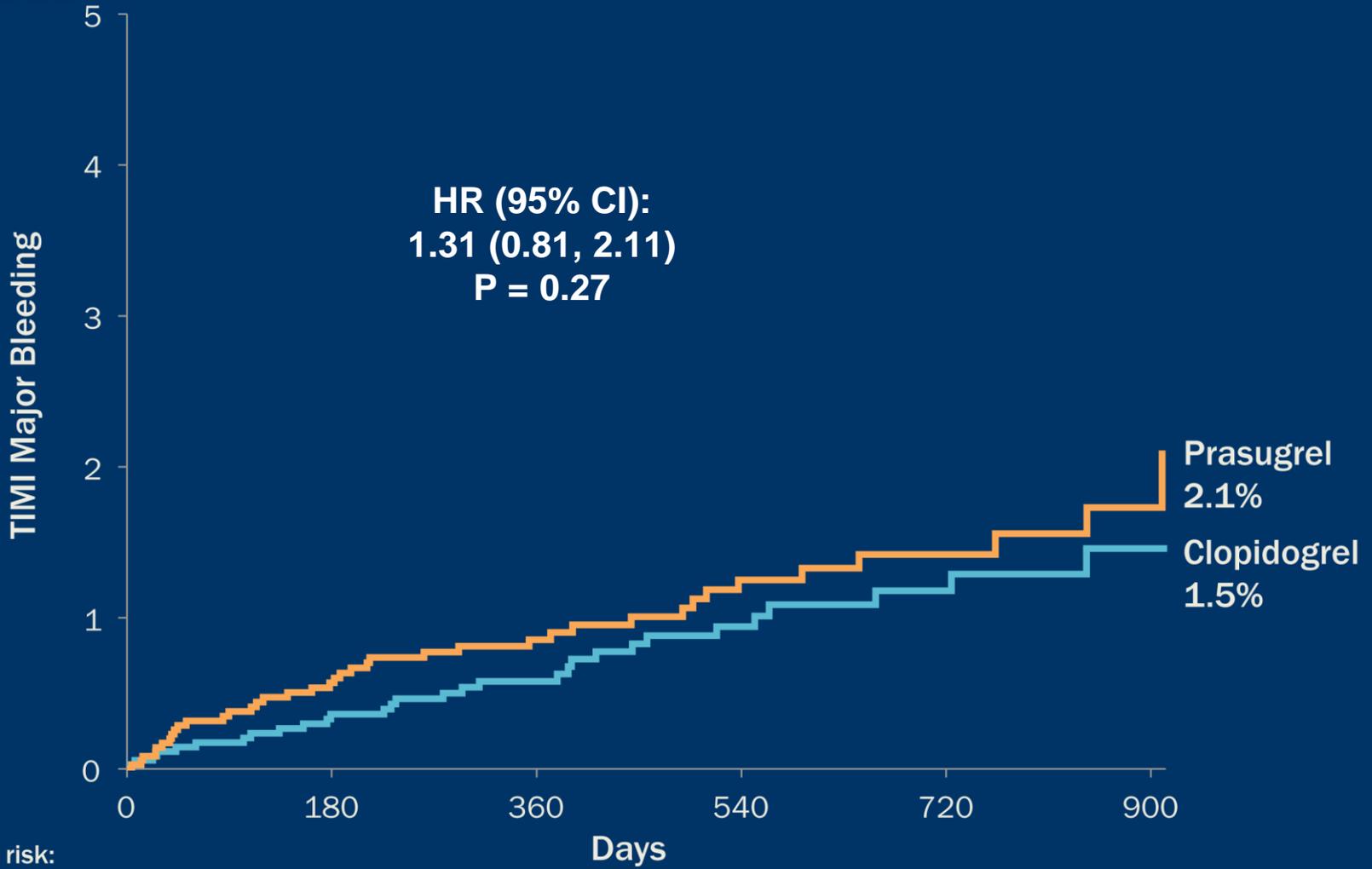
# Primary Efficacy Endpoint to 30 Months (Age < 75 years)



No. at risk:

	0	180	360	540	720	900
Prasugrel:	3620	3248	2359	1611	953	389
Clopidogrel:	3623	3244	2390	1596	946	399

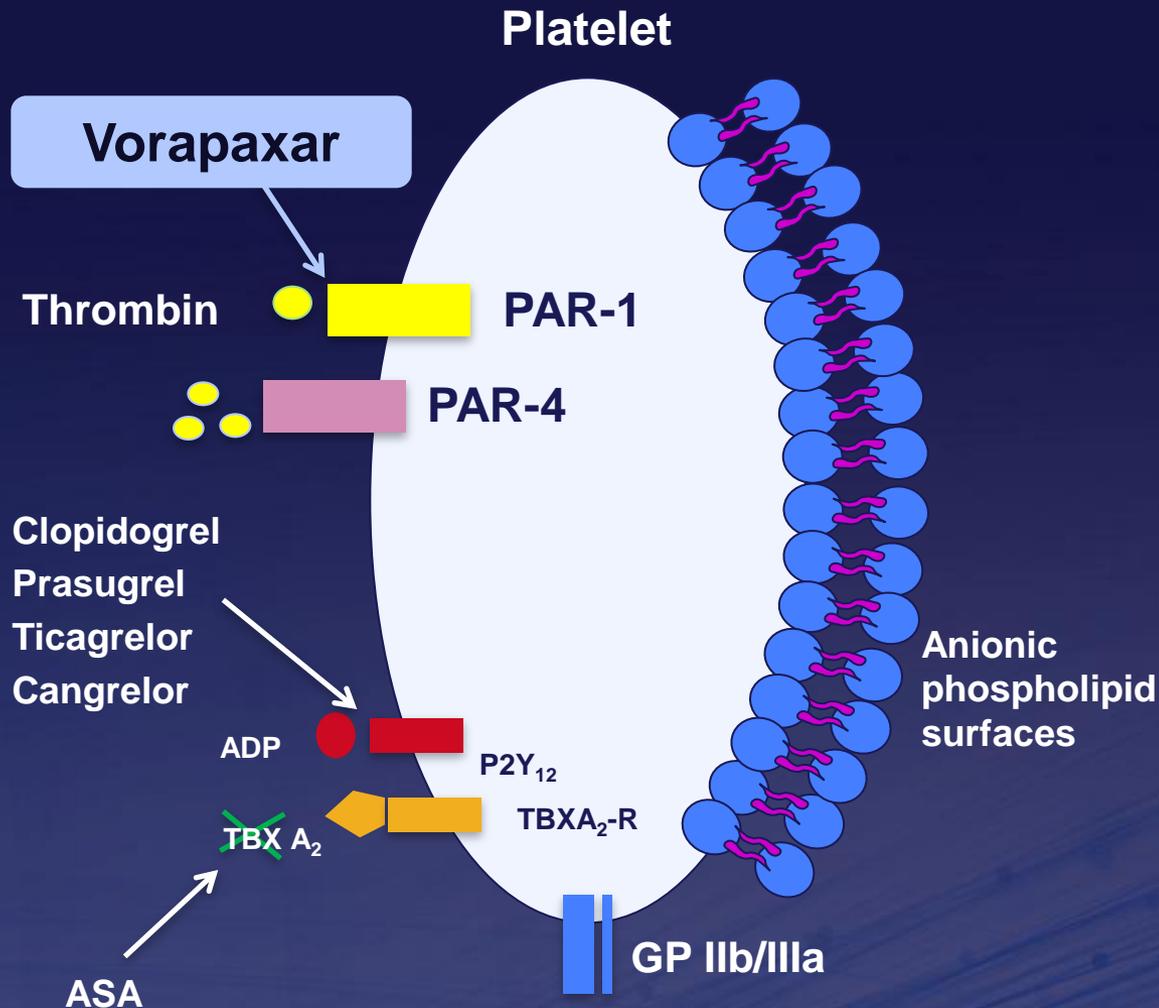
# TIMI Major Bleeding to 30 Months (Age < 75 years)



**No. at risk:**

	0	180	360	540	720	900
Prasugrel:	3590	3072	2244	1499	885	427
Clopidogrel:	3590	3116	2303	1552	925	425

# New Anti-Platelet Agent



- Vorapaxar:
  - First-in-class
  - Oral PAR-1 inhibitor
- Metabolism:
  - Primarily hepatic via CYP 3A4
  - Terminal half-life: ~126–269 hrs
- Prior trials:
  - No increase in bleeding and fewer MIs

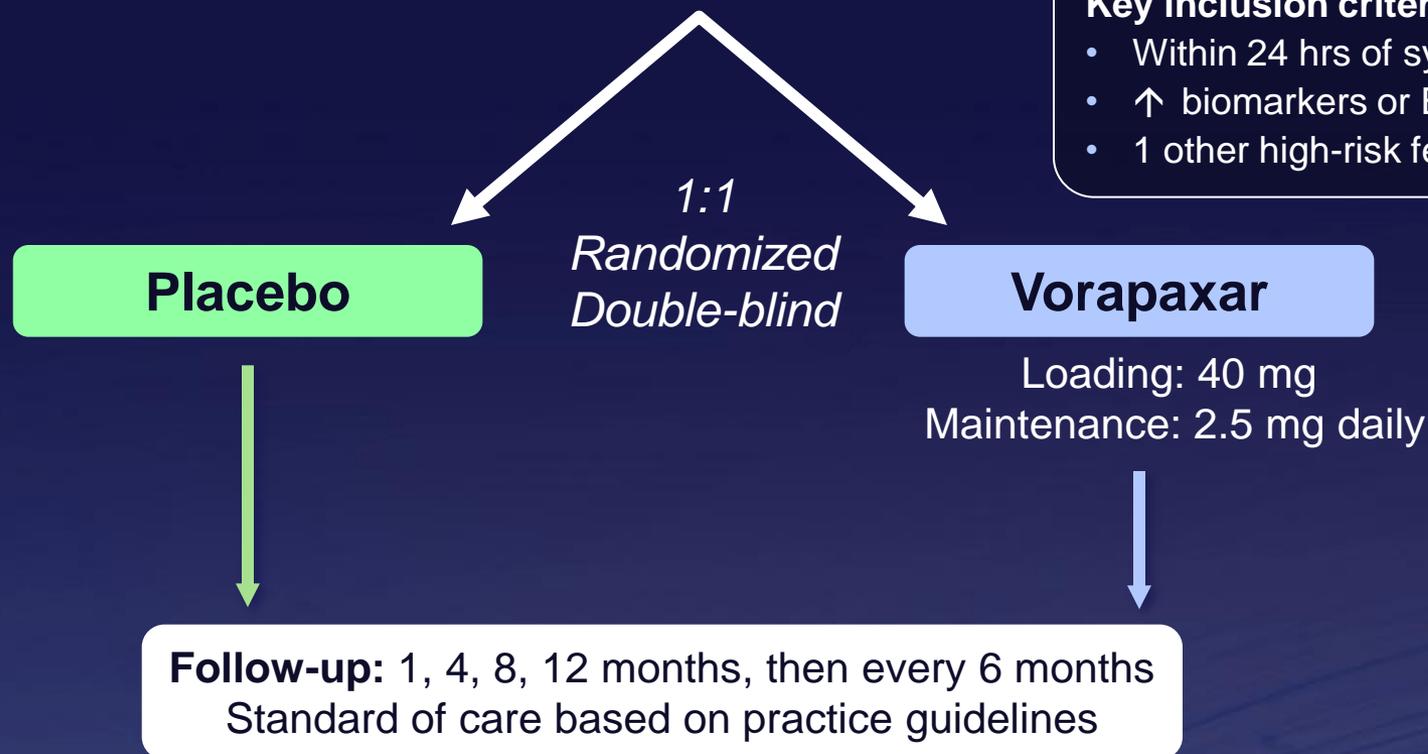
# Trial Design

## NSTEMI Acute Coronary Syndromes



### Key inclusion criteria

- Within 24 hrs of symptoms
- ↑ biomarkers or ECG changes
- 1 other high-risk feature



### Efficacy Endpoints

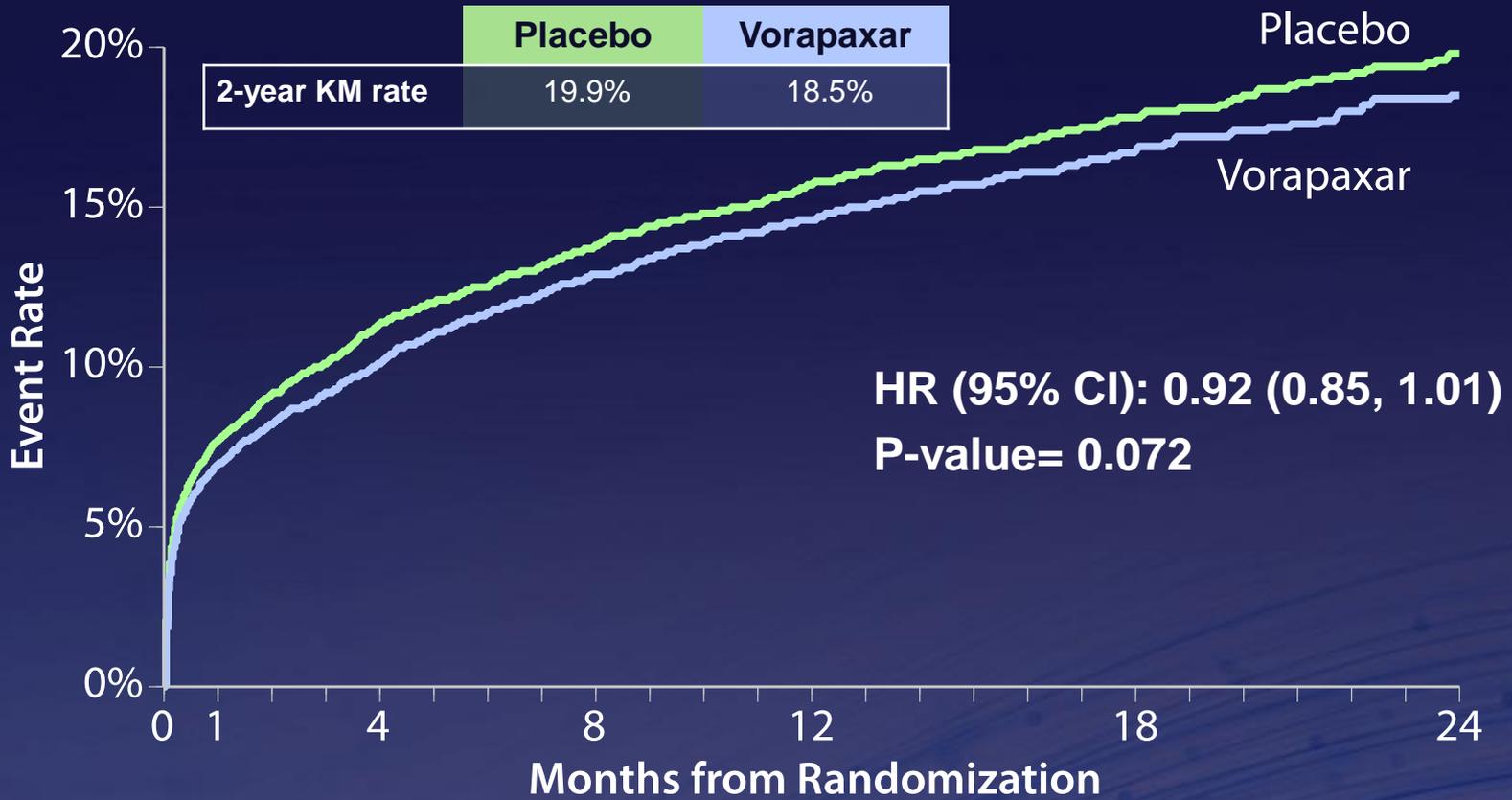
**Primary:** CV death, MI, stroke, hospitalization for ischemia, urgent revascularization

**Key Secondary:** CV death, MI, stroke

**Bleeding Endpoints:** GUSTO moderate or severe and clinically significant TIMI bleeding

# Primary Endpoint

CV Death, MI, Stroke, Hospitalization for Ischemia, Urgent Revascularization

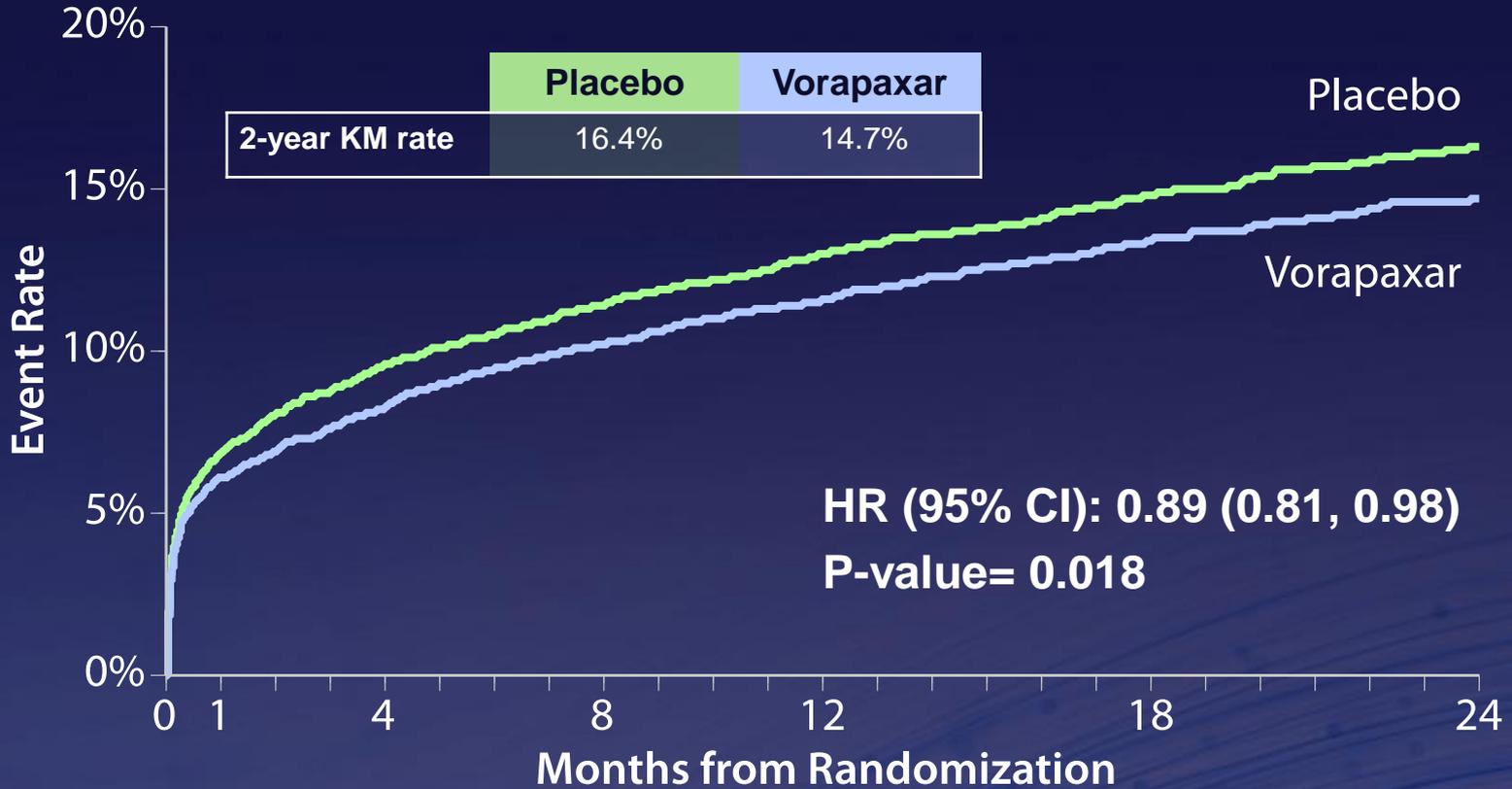


## No. at risk

	0	1	4	8	12	18	24
Placebo	6471	5844	5468	5121	3794	2291	795
Vorapaxar	6473	5897	5570	5199	3881	2318	832

# Key Secondary Endpoint

CV Death, MI, Stroke



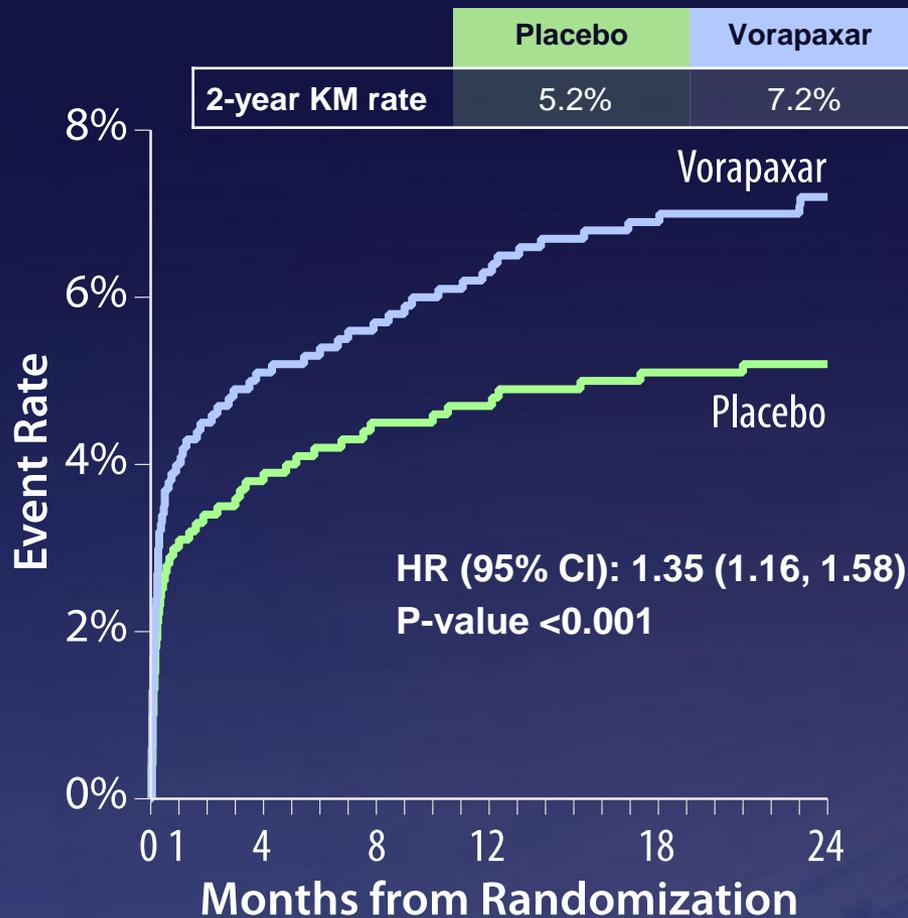
No. at risk

	0	1	4	8	12	18	24
Placebo	6471	5895	5575	5263	3922	2383	830
Vorapaxar	6473	5949	5684	5356	4023	2427	868

# Bleeding Outcomes

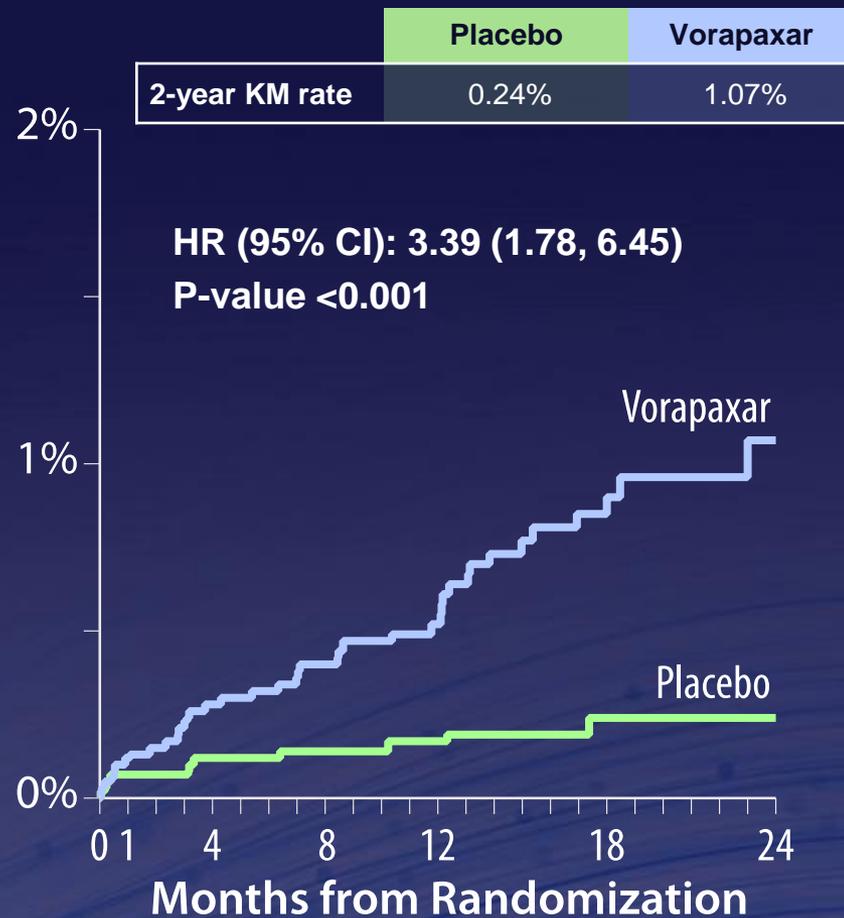


## GUSTO Moderate/Severe



No. at risk						
6441	5536	5137	4674	3393	1972	650
6446	5529	5108	4598	3278	1883	625

## ICH



No. at risk						
6441	5673	5281	4823	3511	2038	678
6446	5694	5272	4760	3411	1965	657

# Recommendations for anticoagulants

Recommendations	Class	Level
Anticoagulation is recommended for all patients in addition to antiplatelet therapy.	I	A
The anticoagulation should be selected according to both ischaemic and bleeding risks, and according to the efficacy-safety profile of the chosen agent.	I	C
Fondaparinux (2.5 mg subcutaneously daily) is recommended as having the most favourable efficacy-safety profile with respect to anticoagulation.	I	A
If the initial anticoagulant is fondaparinux, a single bolus of UFH (85 IU/kg adapted to ACT, or 60 IU in the case of concomitant use of GPIIb/IIIa receptor inhibitors) should be added at the time of PCI.	I	B
Enoxaparin (1 mg/kg twice daily) is recommended when fondaparinux is not available.	I	B
If fondaparinux or enoxaparin are not available, UFH with a target aPTT of 50-70 s or other LMWHs at the specific recommended doses are indicated.	I	C
Bivalirudin plus provisional GPIIb/IIIa receptor inhibitors are recommended as an alternative to UFH plus GPIIb/IIIa receptor inhibitors in patients with an intended urgent or early invasive strategy, particularly in patients with a high risk of bleeding.	I	B



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**Anti-Xa Therapy to Lower**

**Cardiovascular Events in Addition to Standard Therapy in  
Subjects with Acute Coronary Syndrome – Thrombolysis in  
Myocardial Infarction 51 Trial (ATLAS-ACS 2 TIMI 51):**

**A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo Controlled Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of  
Rivaroxaban in Subjects with Acute Coronary Syndrome**

**Funded by a Research Grant from Johnson and Johnson and Bayer to Brigham & Women's  
Hospital. Dr. Gibson has received honoraria & consulting fees from J&J and Bayer.**

**Recent ACS: STEMI, NSTEMI, UA**  
No increased bleeding risk, No warfarin, No ICH, No prior stroke if on ASA + Thienopyridine  
Stabilized 1-7 Days Post-Index Event

**Stratified by Thienopyridine use at MD Discretion**

+ ASA 75 to 100 mg/day

**Placebo**  
N=5,176  
ASA + Thieno, n=4,821  
ASA, n=355

**RIVAROXABAN**  
2.5 mg BID  
n=5,174  
ASA + Thieno, n=4,825  
ASA, n=349

**RIVAROXABAN**  
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N=5,176  
ASA + Thieno, n=4,827  
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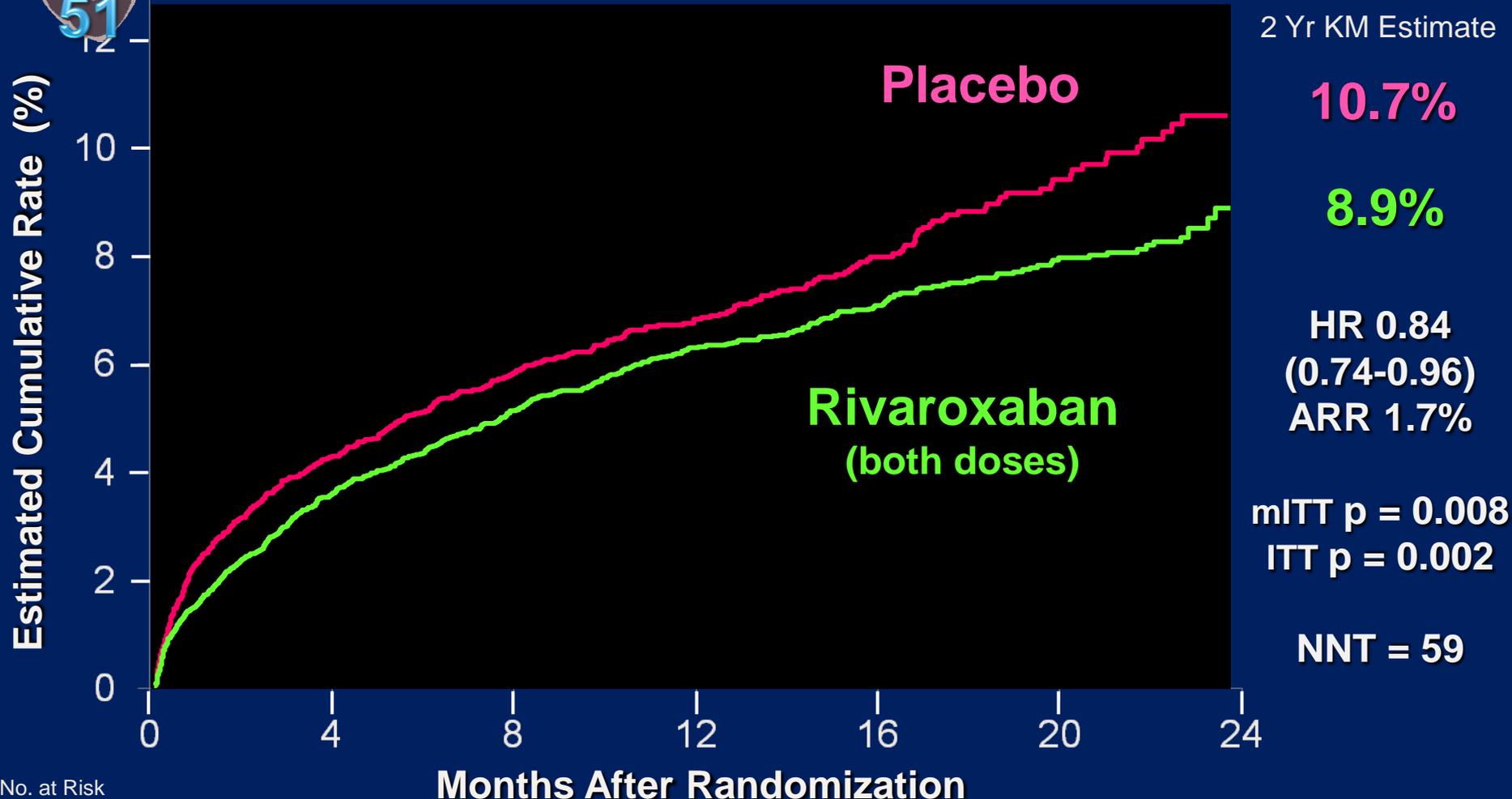
**PRIMARY ENDPOINT:**  
**EFFICACY: CV Death, MI, Stroke\* (Ischemic + Hemg.)**  
**SAFETY: TIMI major bleeding not associated with CABG**  
**Event driven trial of 1,002 events in 15,342 patients\*\***

\* Stroke includes ischemic stroke, hemorrhagic stroke, and uncertain stroke

\*\* 184 subjects were excluded from the efficacy analyses prior to unblinding

# PRIMARY EFFICACY ENDPOINT:

CV Death / MI / Stroke\* (Ischemic + Hemg.)



No. at Risk

No. at Risk	0	4	8	12	16	20	24
Placebo	5113	4307	3470	2664	1831	1079	421
Rivaroxaban	10229	8502	6753	5137	3554	2084	831

\*: First occurrence of cardiovascular death, MI, stroke (ischemic, hemorrhagic, and uncertain) as adjudicated by the CEC across thienopyridine use strata  
 Two year Kaplan-Meier estimates, HR and 95% confidence interval estimates from Cox model stratified by thienopyridine use are provided per mITT approach; Stratified log-rank p-values are provided for both mITT and ITT approaches; ARR=Absolute Relative Reduction; NNT=Number needed to treat; Rivaroxaban=Pooled Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg BID and 5 mg BID.

# STENT THROMBOSIS\*

ARC Definite, Probable, Possible

2 Yr KM Estimate

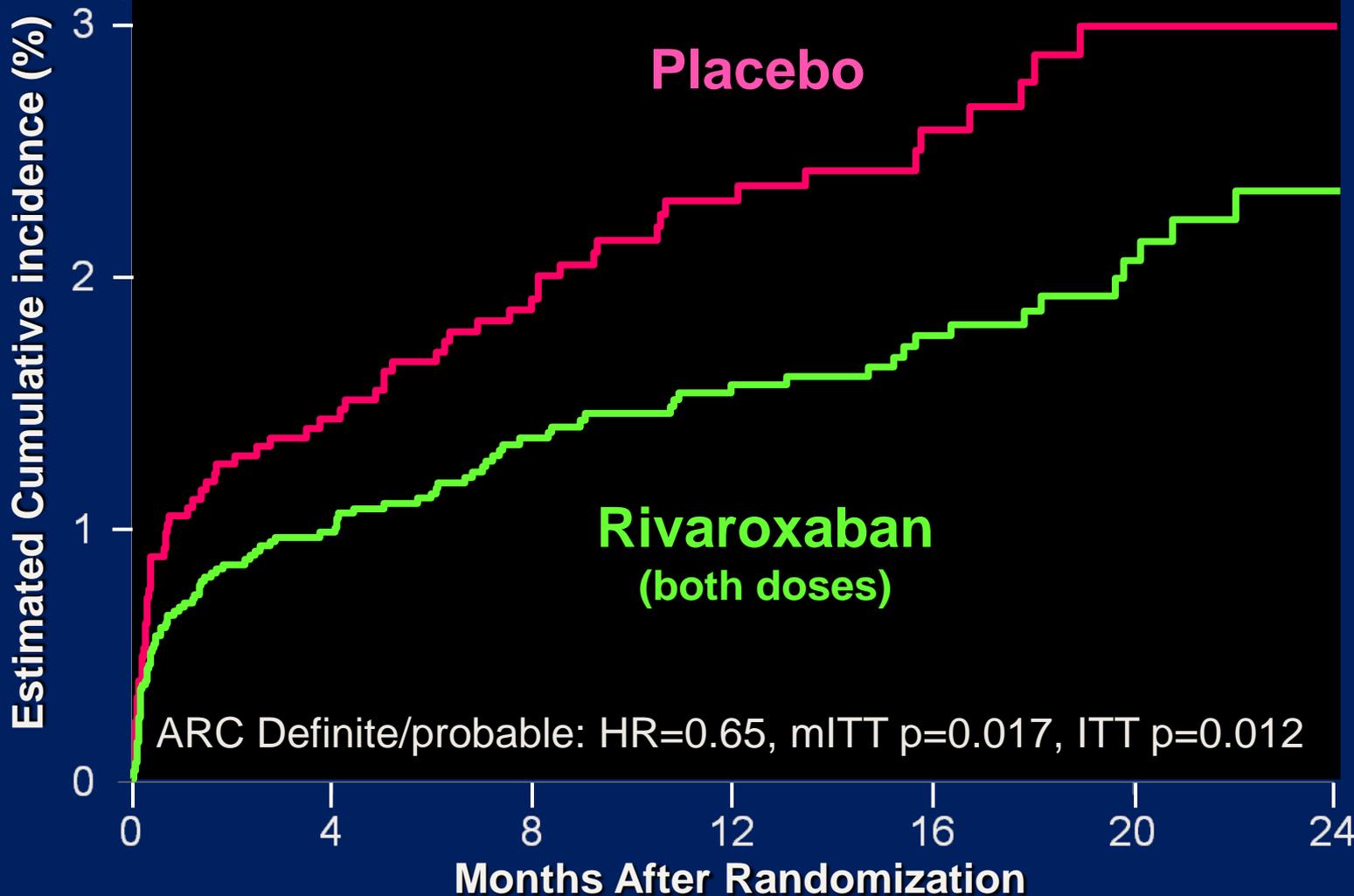
**2.9%**

**2.3%**

**HR 0.69**  
**(0.51- 0.93)**

**mITT p = 0.016**

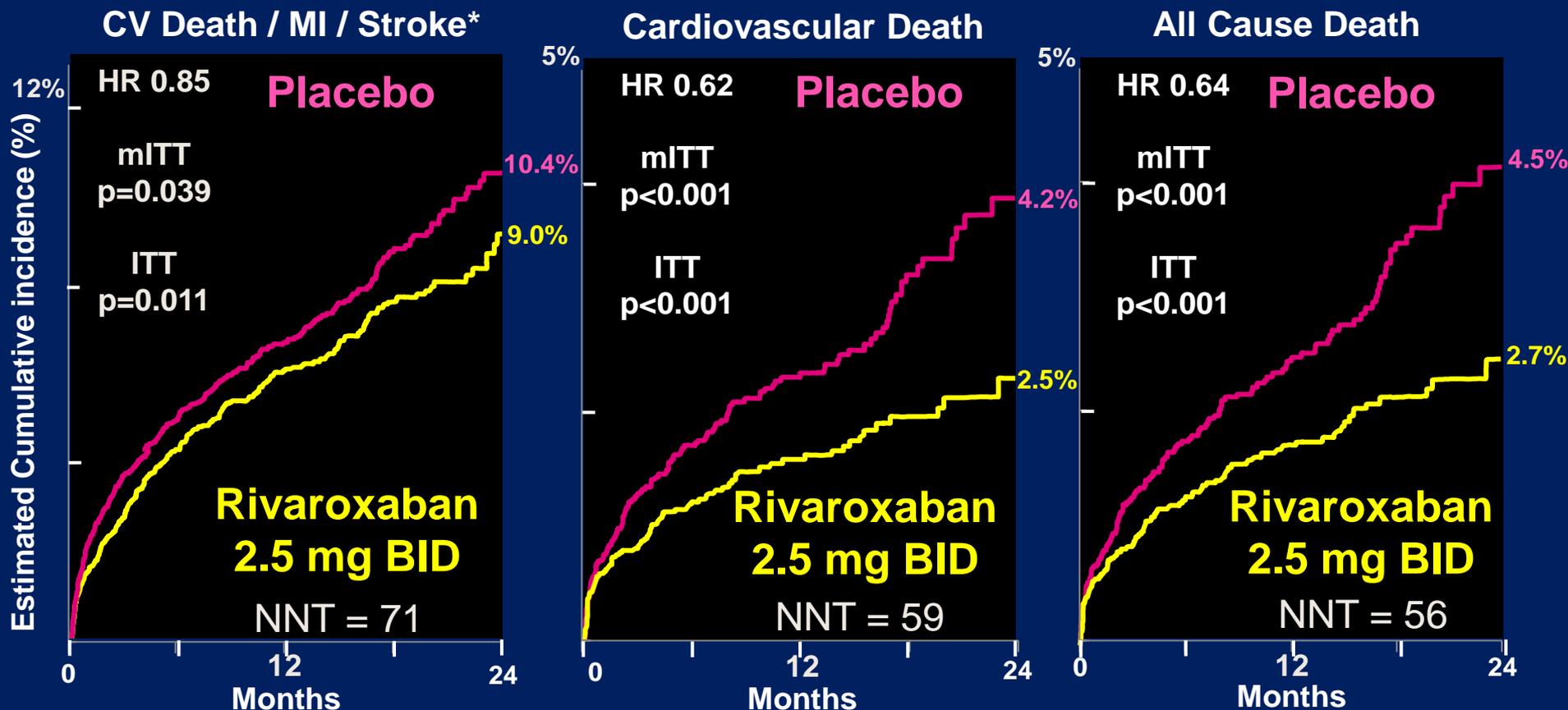
**ITT p = 0.008**



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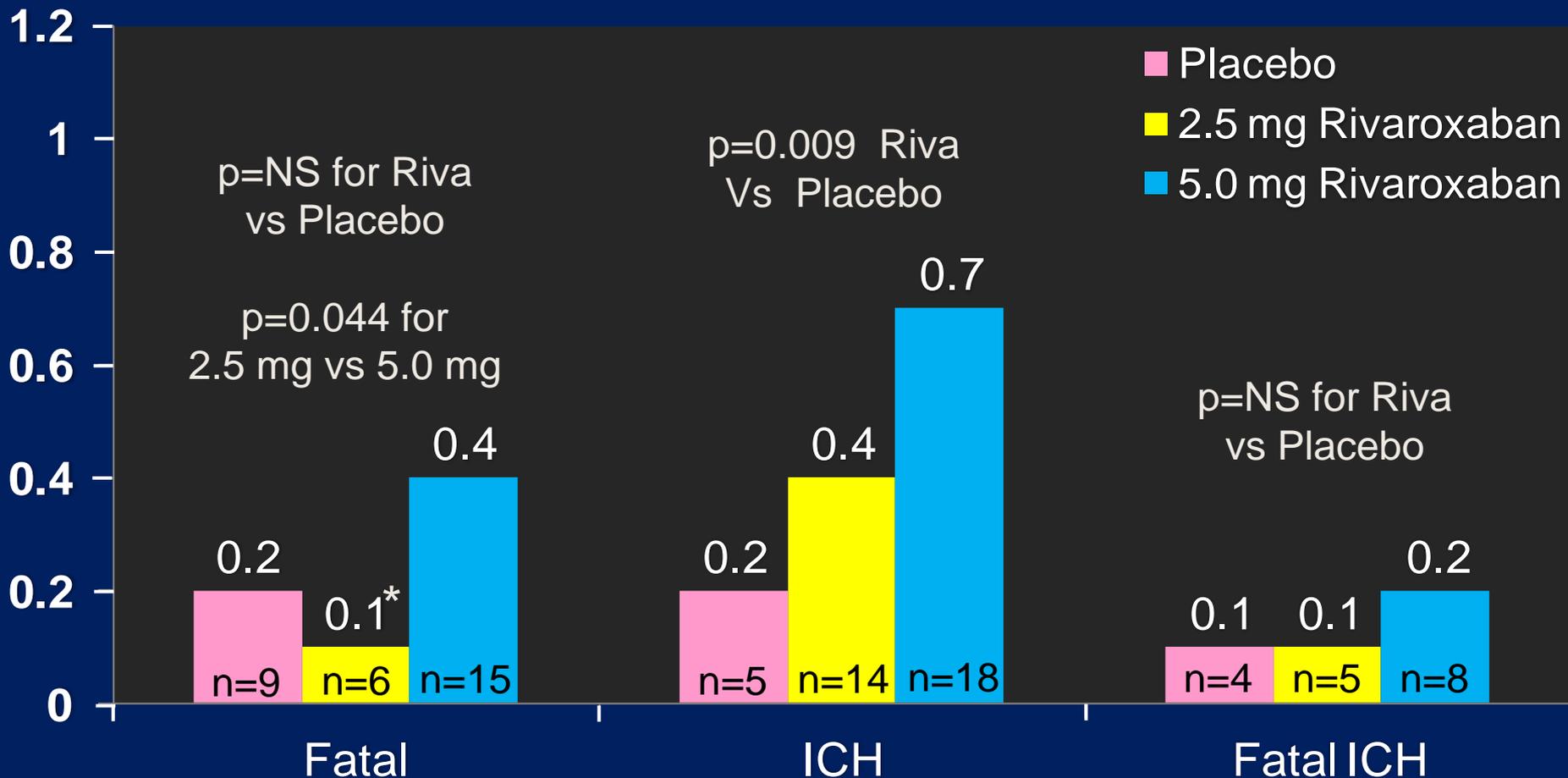
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# PRIMARY EFFICACY ENDPOINTS: 2.5 mg PO BID In Patients Treated with ASA + Thienopyridine



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# TREATMENT-EMERGENT FATAL BLEEDS AND ICH



\*Among patients treated with aspirin + thienopyridine, there was an increase in fatal bleeding among patients treated with 5.0 mg of Rivaroxaban (15/5110) vs 2.5 mg of Rivaroxaban (5/5115) (p=0.02)

- Many interesting new data
  - Nothing to change our current strategy
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*Thank you !*

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# P2Y<sub>12</sub> Inhibitors

	Clopidogrel	Prasugrel	Ticagrelor
Class	Thienopyridine	Thienopyridine	Triazolopyrimidine
Reversibility	Irreversible	Irreversible	Reversible
Activation	Prodrug, limited by metabolism	Prodrug, not limited by metabolism	Active drug
Onset of effect	2-4 h	30 min	30 min
Duration of effect	3-10 days	5-10 days	3-4 days
Withdrawal before major surgery	5 days	7 days	5 days

# Recommendations for oral antiplatelet agents (1)

Recommendations	Class	Level
Aspirin should be given to all patients without contraindications at an initial loading dose of 150-300 mg, and at a maintenance dose of 75-100 mg daily long-term regardless of treatment strategy.	I	A
A P2Y <sub>12</sub> inhibitor should be added to aspirin as soon as possible and maintained over 12 months, unless there are contraindications such as excessive risk of bleeding.	I	A

**PLATO**

Ticagrelor (180 mg loading dose, 90 mg twice daily) is recommended for all patients at moderate-to-high risk of ischaemic events (e.g. elevated troponins), regardless of initial treatment strategy and including those pre-treated with clopidogrel (which should be discontinued when ticagrelor is commenced).

P2Y<sub>12</sub>-inhibitor-naïve patients (especially diabetics) in whom coronary anatomy is known and who are proceeding to PCI unless there is a high risk of life-threatening bleeding or other contraindications.

I

B

# Recommendations for oral antiplatelet agents (2)

Recommendations	Class	Level
Clopidogrel (300 mg loading dose, 75 mg daily dose) is recommended for patients who cannot receive ticagrelor or prasugrel.	I	A
A 600 mg loading dose of clopidogrel (or a supplementary 300 mg dose at PCI following an initial 300 mg loading dose) is recommended for patients scheduled for an invasive strategy when ticagrelor or prasugrel is not an option.	I	B
A higher maintenance dose of clopidogrel 150 mg daily should be considered for the first 7 days in patients managed with PCI and without increased risk of bleeding.	IIa	B
Increasing the maintenance dose of clopidogrel based on platelet function testing is not advised as routine, but may be considered in selected cases.	IIb	B
Genotyping and/or platelet function testing may be considered in selected cases when clopidogrel is used.	IIb	B
In patients pre-treated with P2Y <sub>12</sub> inhibitors who need to undergo non-emergent major surgery (including CABG), postponing surgery at least for 5 days after cessation of ticagrelor or clopidogrel, and 7 days for prasugrel, if clinically feasible and unless the patient is at high risk of ischaemic events should be considered.	IIa	C
Ticagrelor or clopidogrel should be considered to be (re-)started after CABG surgery as soon as considered safe.	IIa	B
The combination of aspirin with an NSAID (selective COX-2 inhibitors and non-selective NSAID) is not recommended.	III	C

# Recommendations for oral Antiplatelet Agents 2

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
Clopidogrel (300-mg loading dose, 75-mg daily dose) is recommended for patients who cannot receive ticagrelor or prasugrel.	I	A
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# Decision-making algorithm in ACS

1. Clinical Evaluation

2. Diagnosis/Risk Assessment

3. Coronary angiography

