

# Ticagrelor

## Platelet Inhibition and Beyond ...

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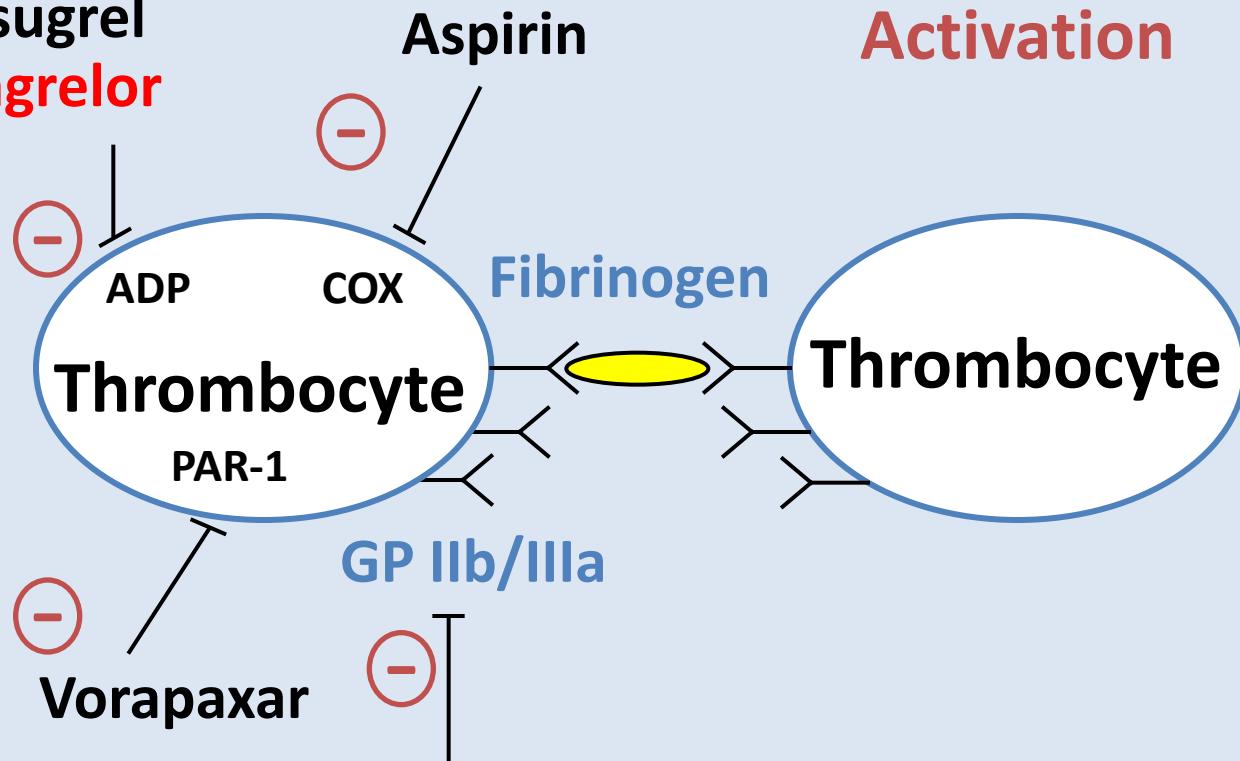
# Anti-Platelet Therapy

Oral

Clopidogrel  
Prasugrel  
Ticagrelor

Aspirin

Activation

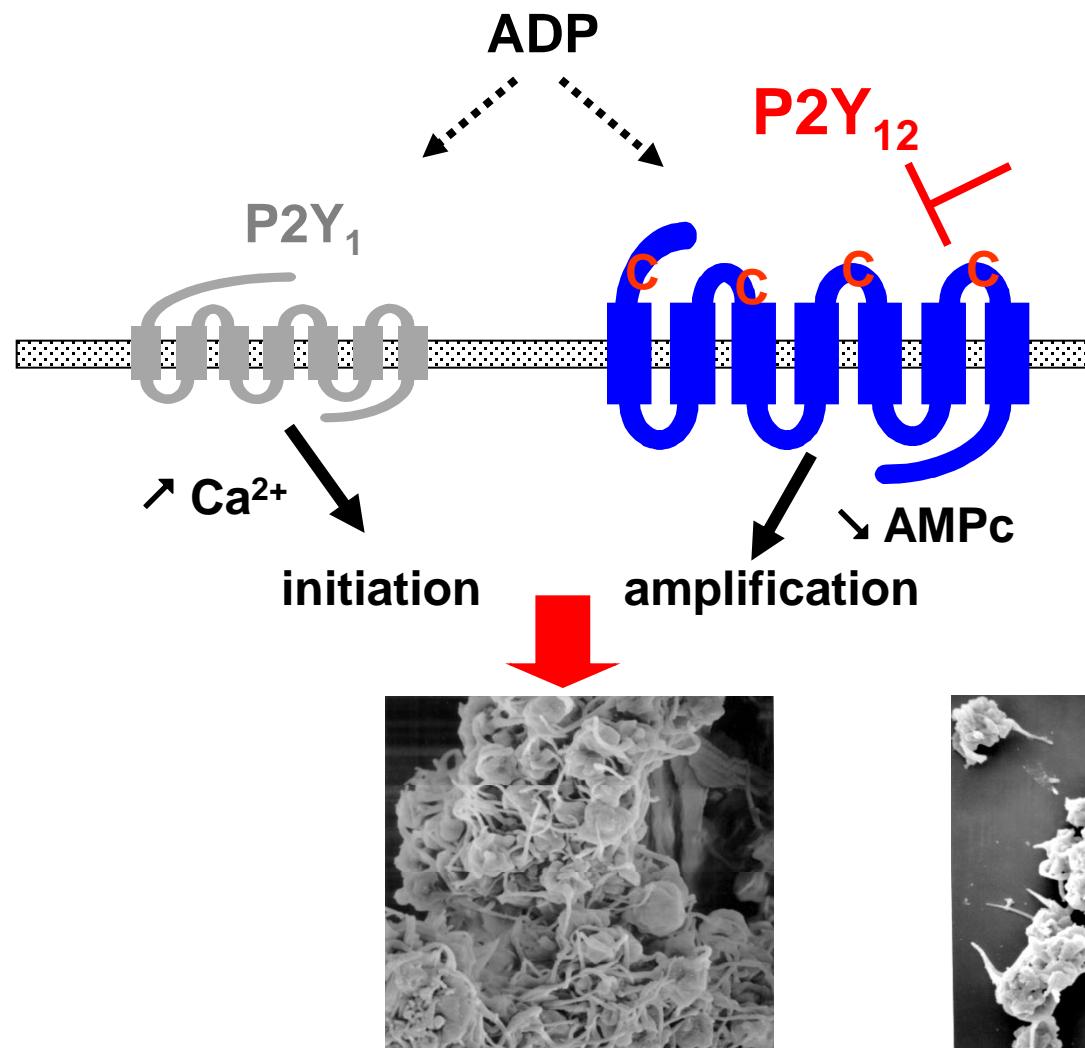


IV

GP IIb/IIIa Inhibitors

Aggregation

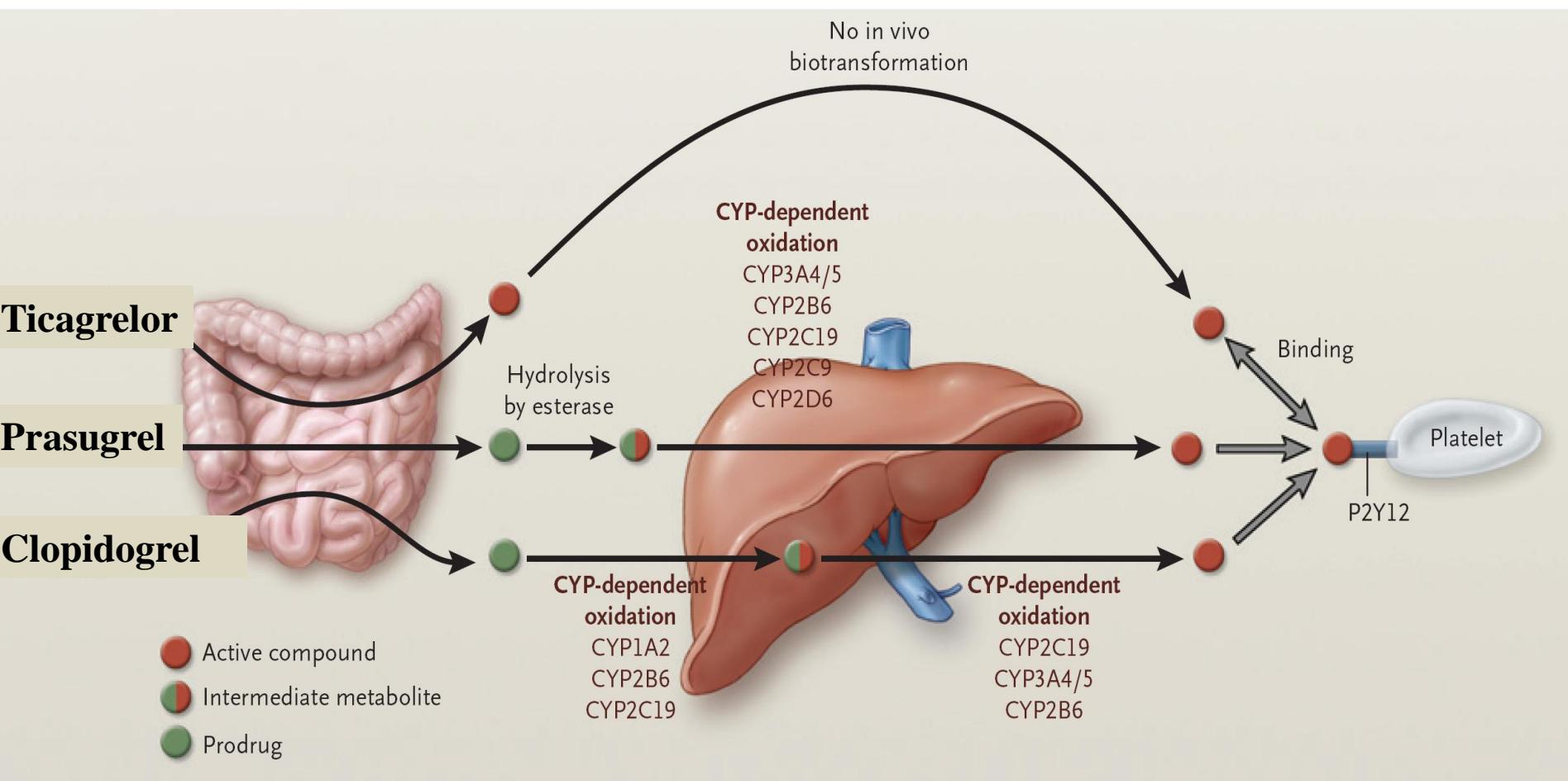
# P2Y<sub>12</sub> Receptor Blockade



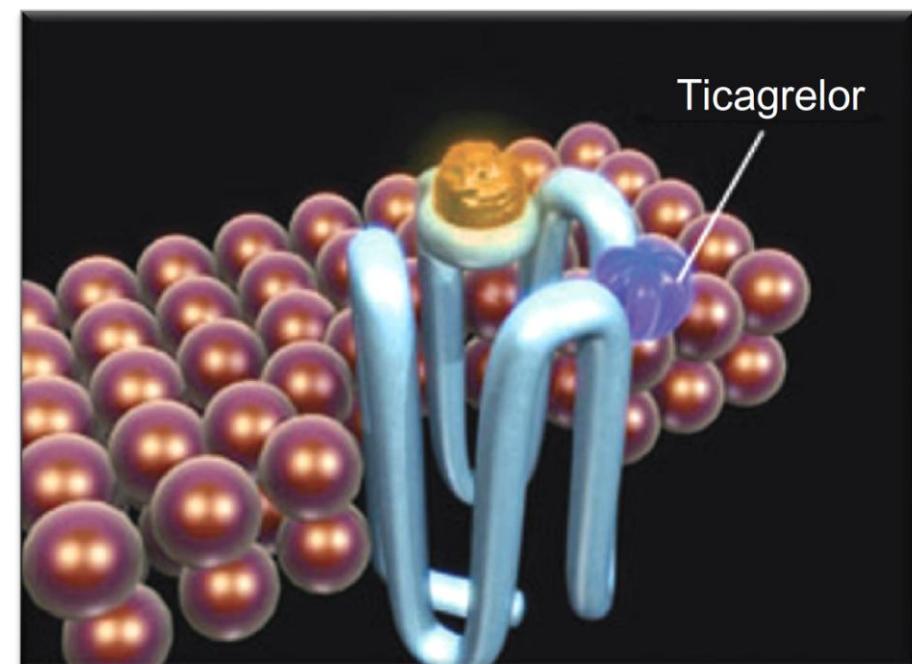
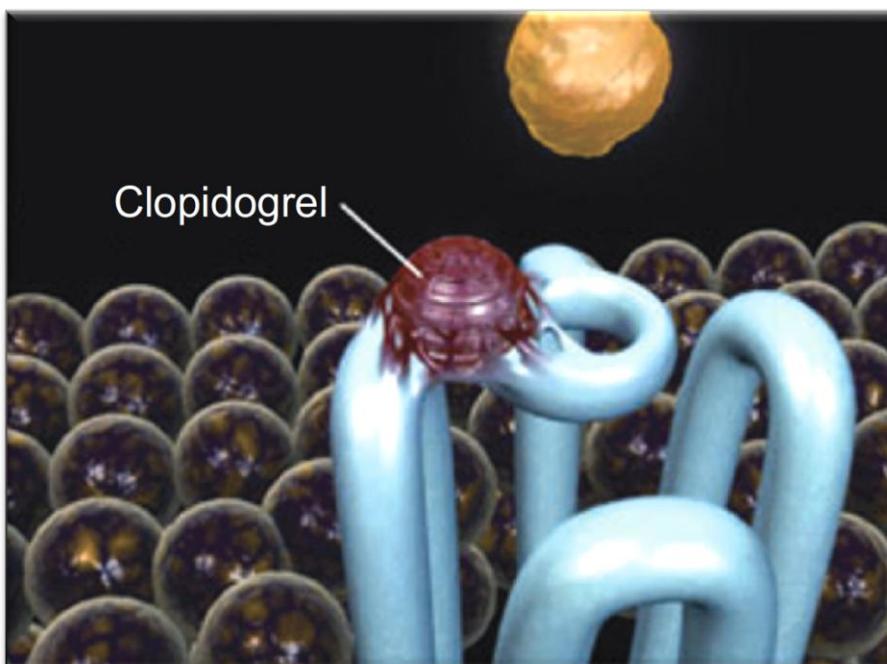
# P2Y<sub>12</sub> Inhibitors

	Clopidogrel	Prasugrel	Ticagrelor
Class	Thienopyridine	Thienopyridine	Triazolopyrimidine
Binding	Irreversible	Irreversible	Reversible
Activation	Prodrug, limited by metabolism	Prodrug, not limited by metabolism	Active drug
Nonresponders	Yes	No	No
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

# Metabolism of P2Y<sub>12</sub> Inhibitors

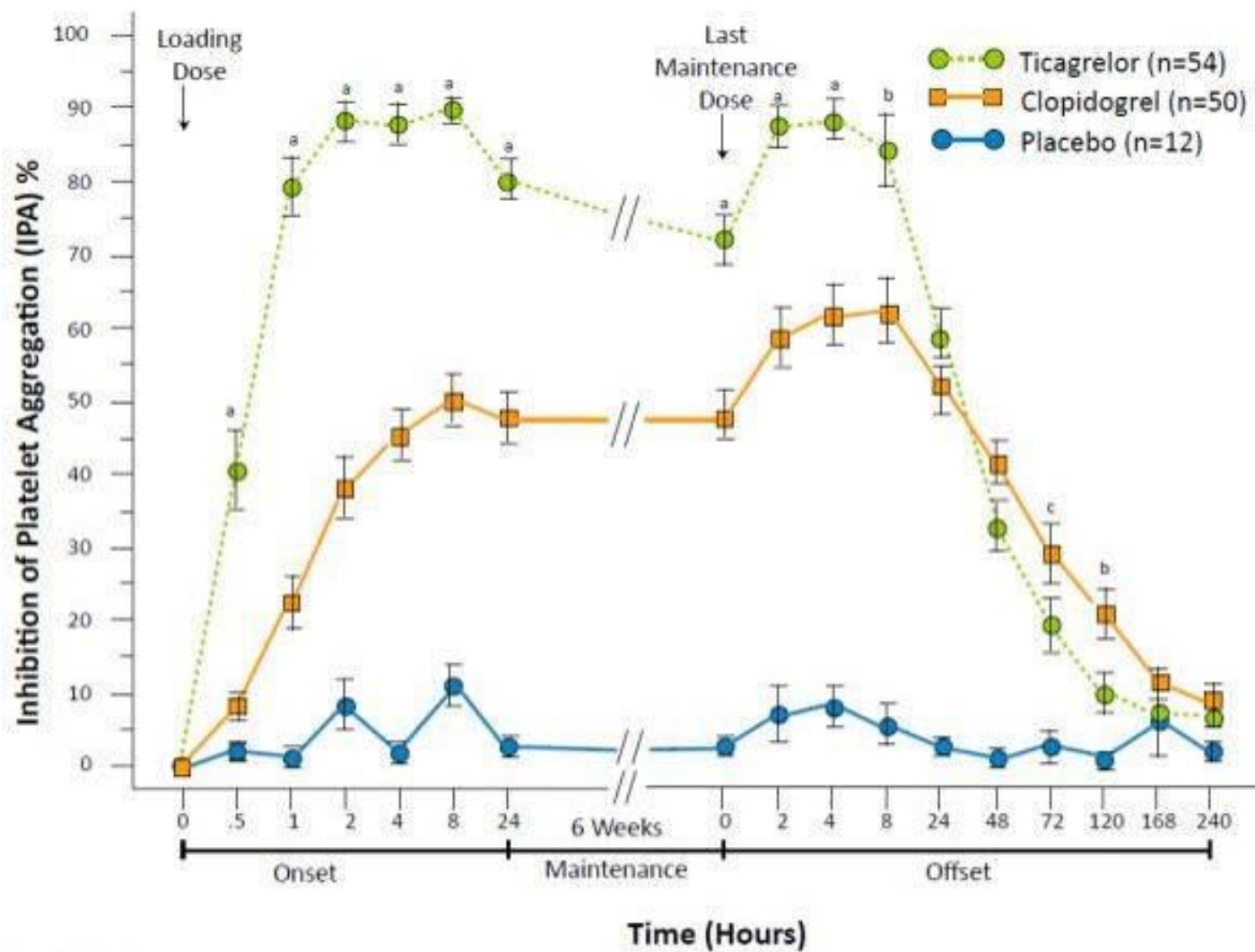
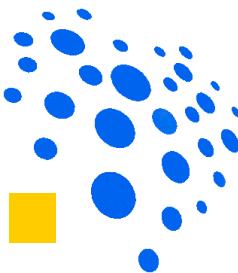


# Binding Sites to P2Y<sub>12</sub>

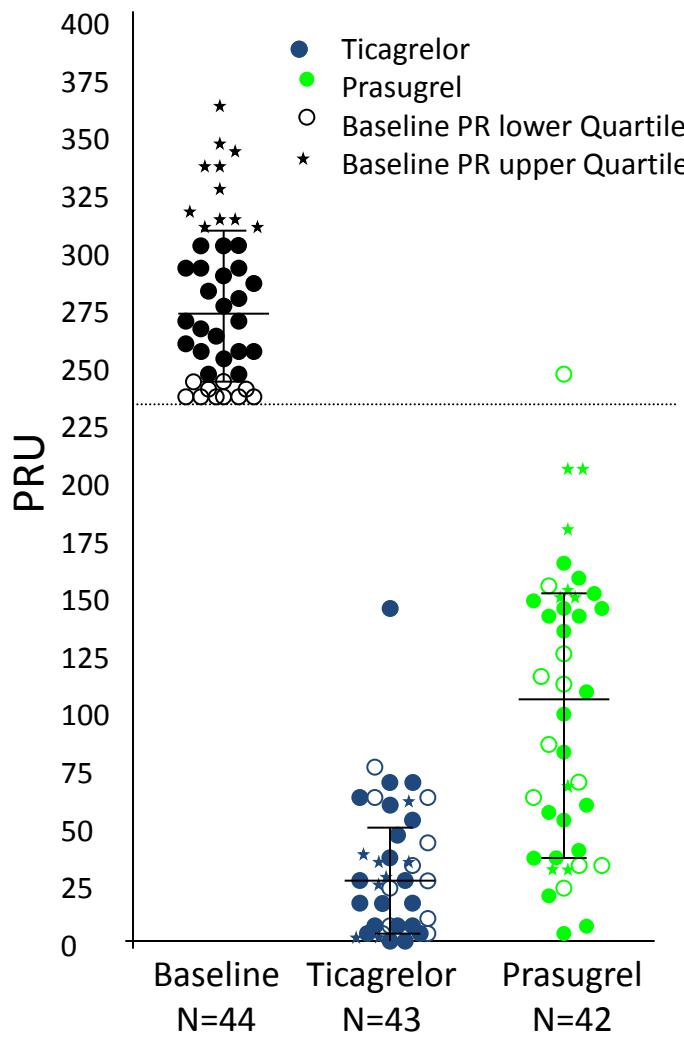
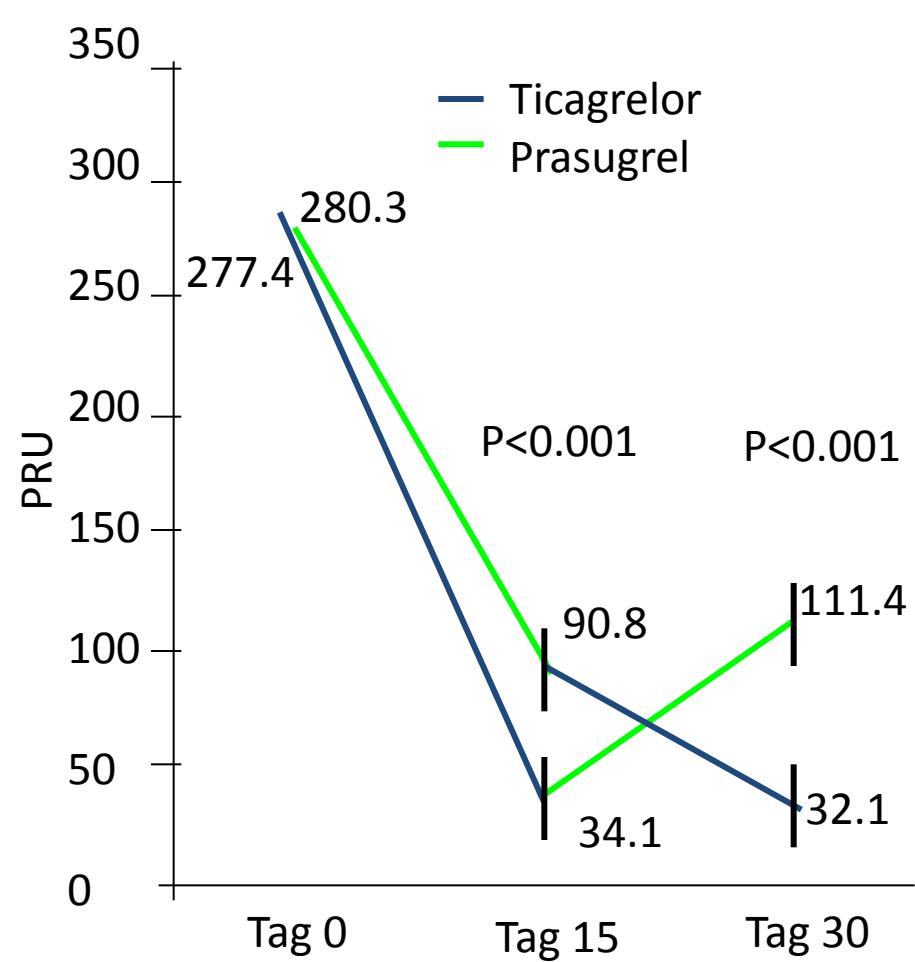


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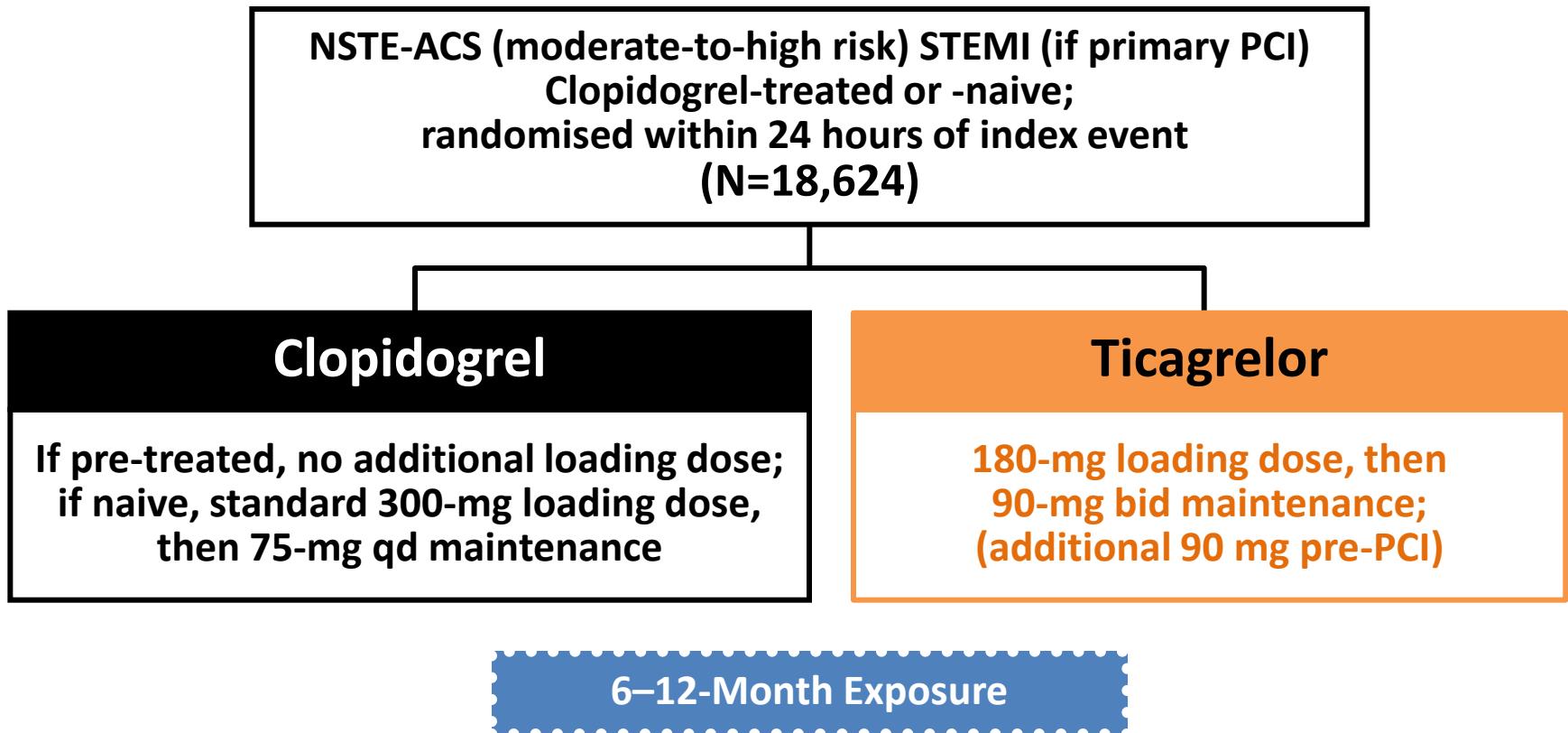
# Antiplatelet Effect Clopidogrel vs. Ticagrelor



# Prasugrel vs. Ticagrelor: Platelet Inhibition



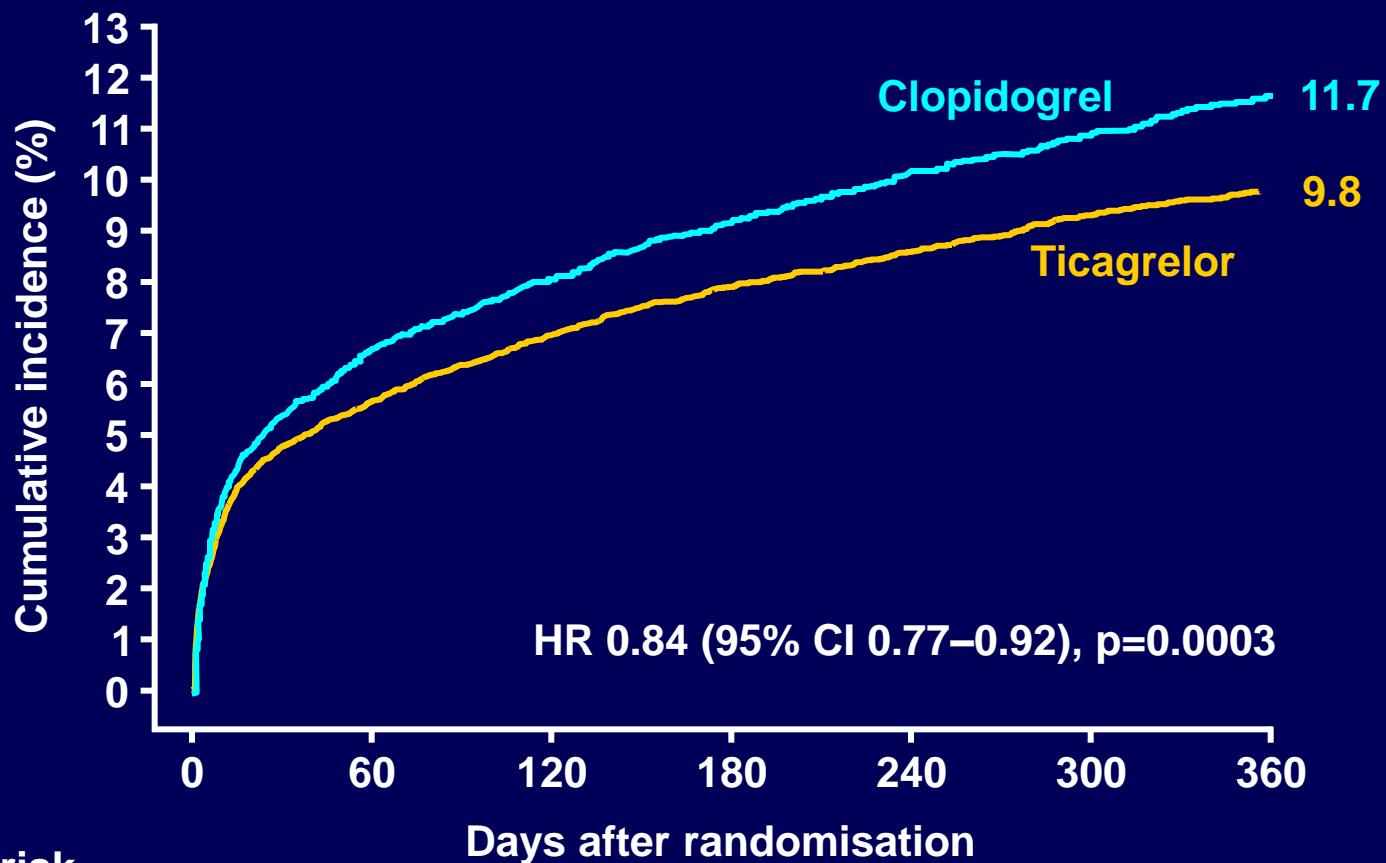
# PLATO Study Design



**Primary End Point: CV Death + MI + Stroke**  
**Primary Safety End Point: Total major bleeding**

# K-M estimate of time to first primary efficacy event (composite of CV death, MI or stroke)

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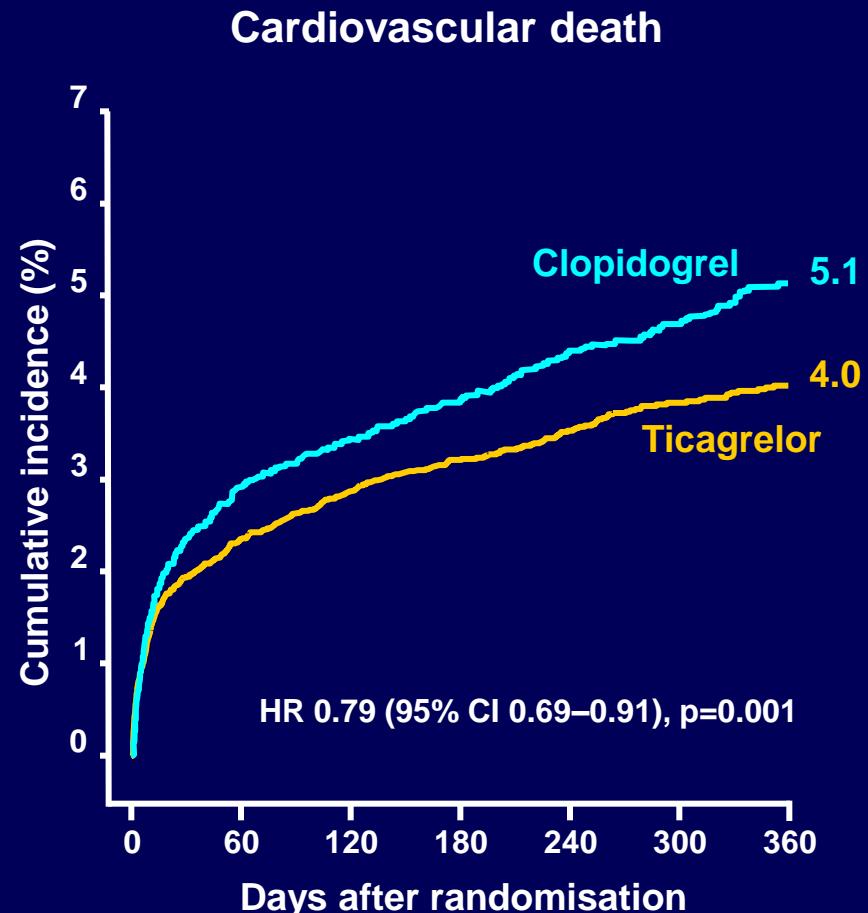
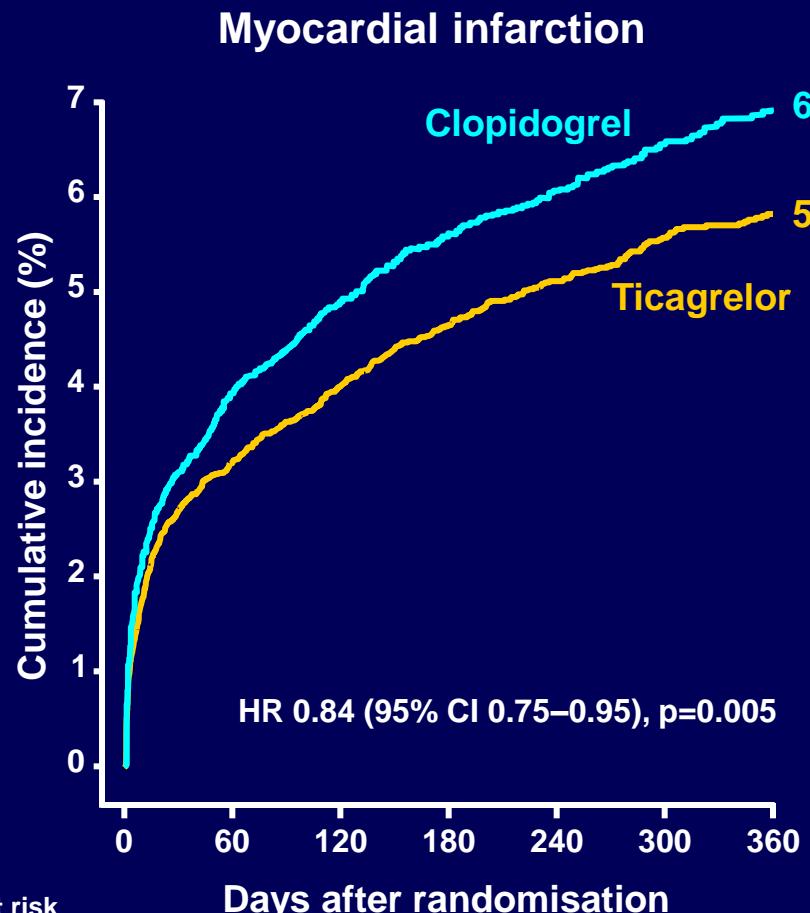
## No. at risk

Ticagrelor	9,333	8,628	8,460	8,219	6,743	5,161	4,147
Clopidogrel	9,291	8,521	8,362	8,124	6,743	5,096	4,047

K-M = Kaplan-Meier; HR = hazard ratio; CI = confidence interval

# Secondary efficacy endpoints over time

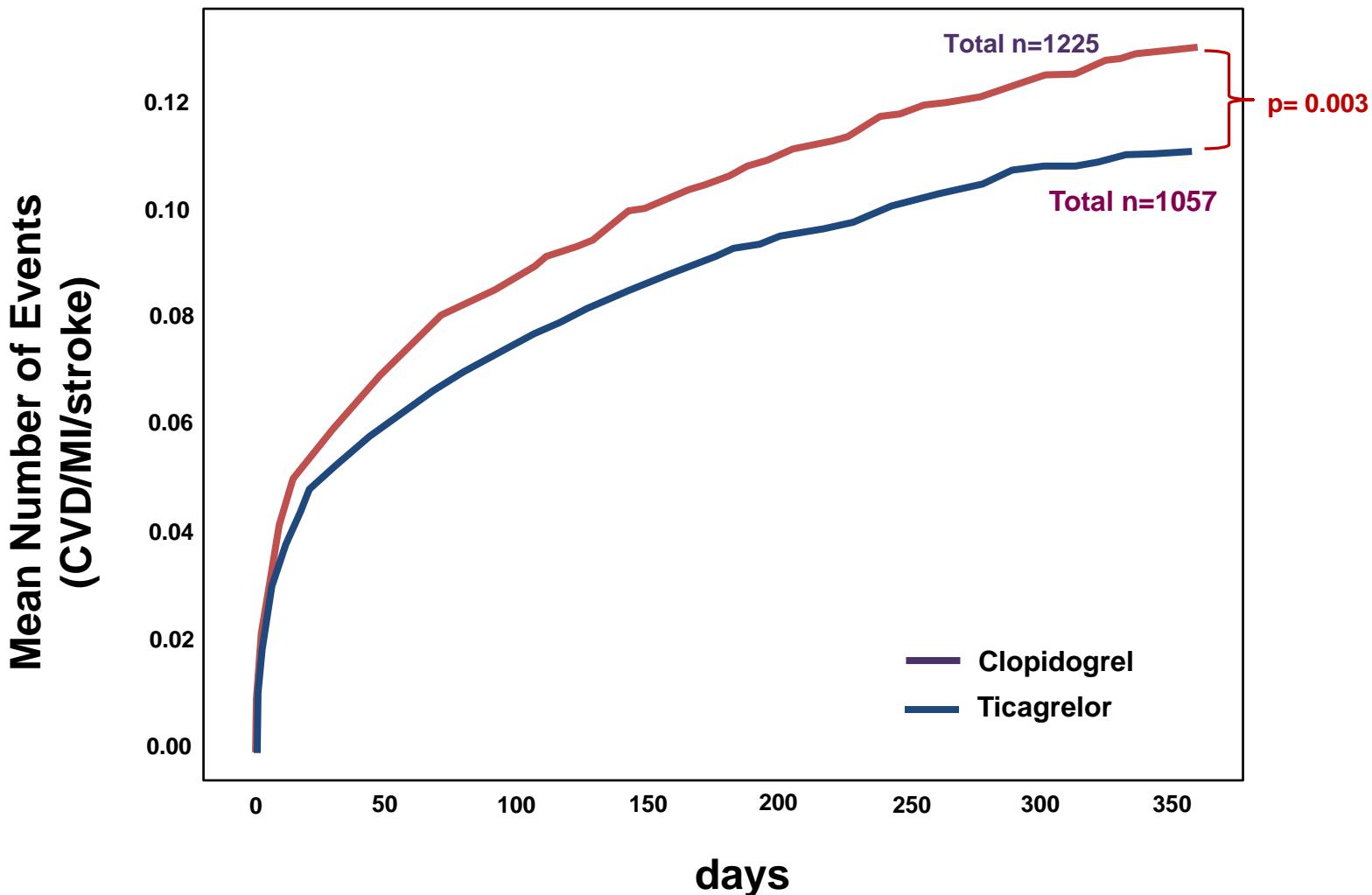
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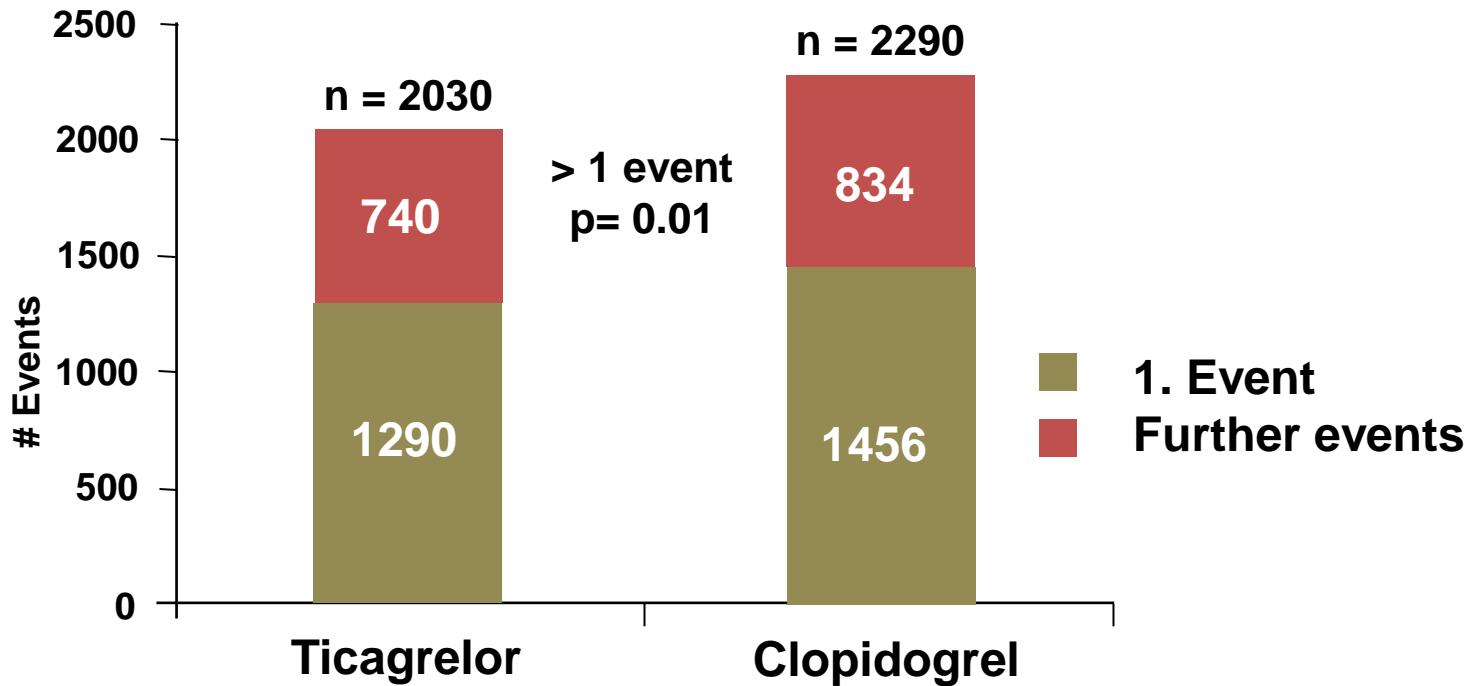
	0	60	120	180	240	300	360
Ticagrelor	9,333	8,678	8,520	8,279	6,796	5,210	4,191
Clopidogrel	9,291	8,560	8,405	8,177	6,703	5,136	4,109

	0	60	120	180	240	300	360
Ticagrelor	9,333	8,294	8,822	8,626	7119	5,482	4,419
Clopidogrel	9,291	8,865	8,780	8,589	7079	5,441	4,364

# Clinical Events per Patient



# Reduction of Clinical Events under Ticagrelor in PLATO

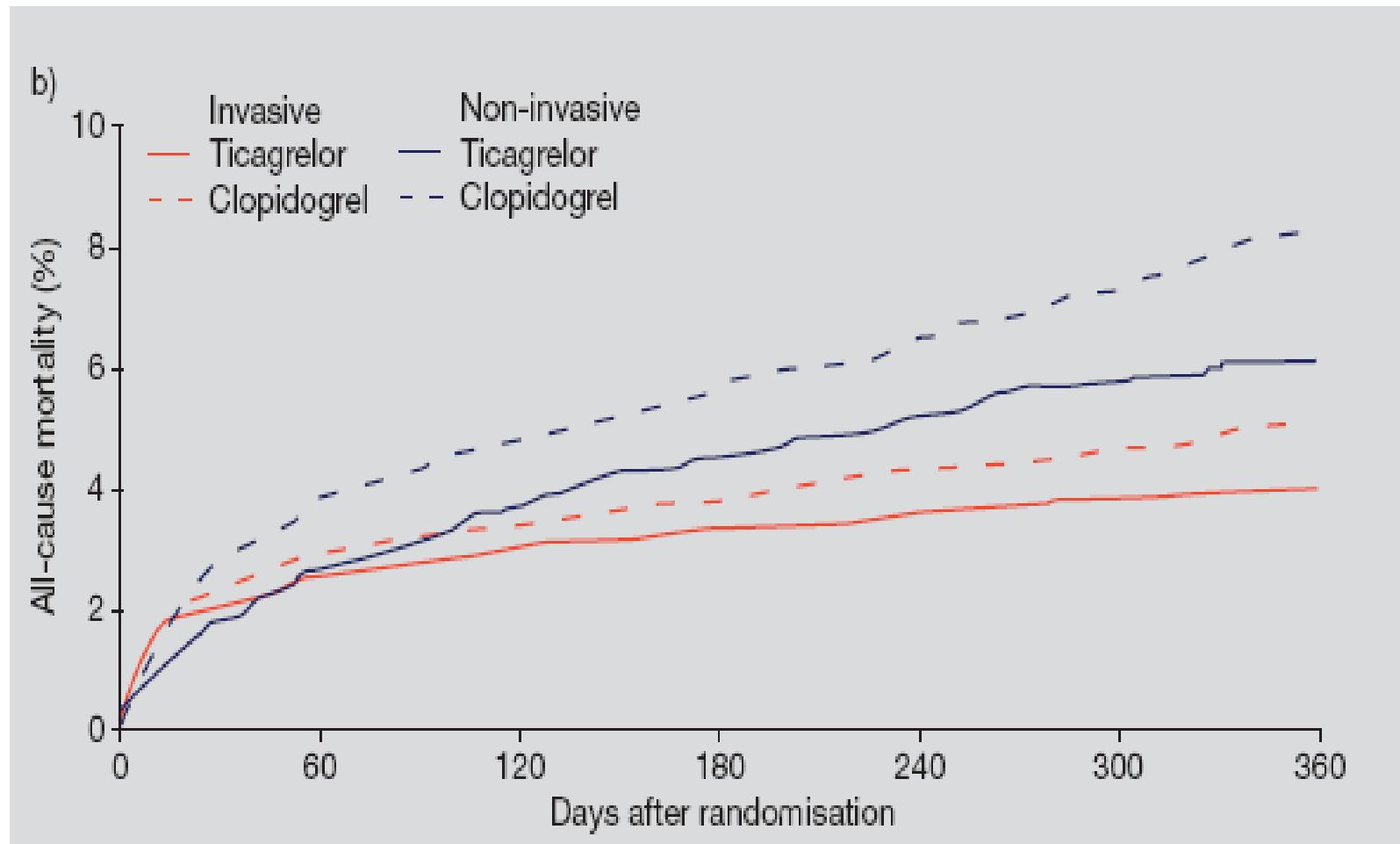


inkl. CV Death/MI/Stroke/SRI/RI/TIA/ATE  
(severe) recurrent ischemia (SRI/RI), transient ischemic attack (TIA), arterial thromboses (ATE)

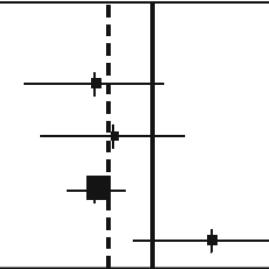
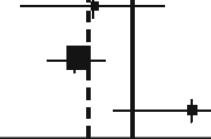
# Ticagrelor versus Clopidogrel – Invasive/ Non-invasive

(sub-analysis of PLATO Trial)

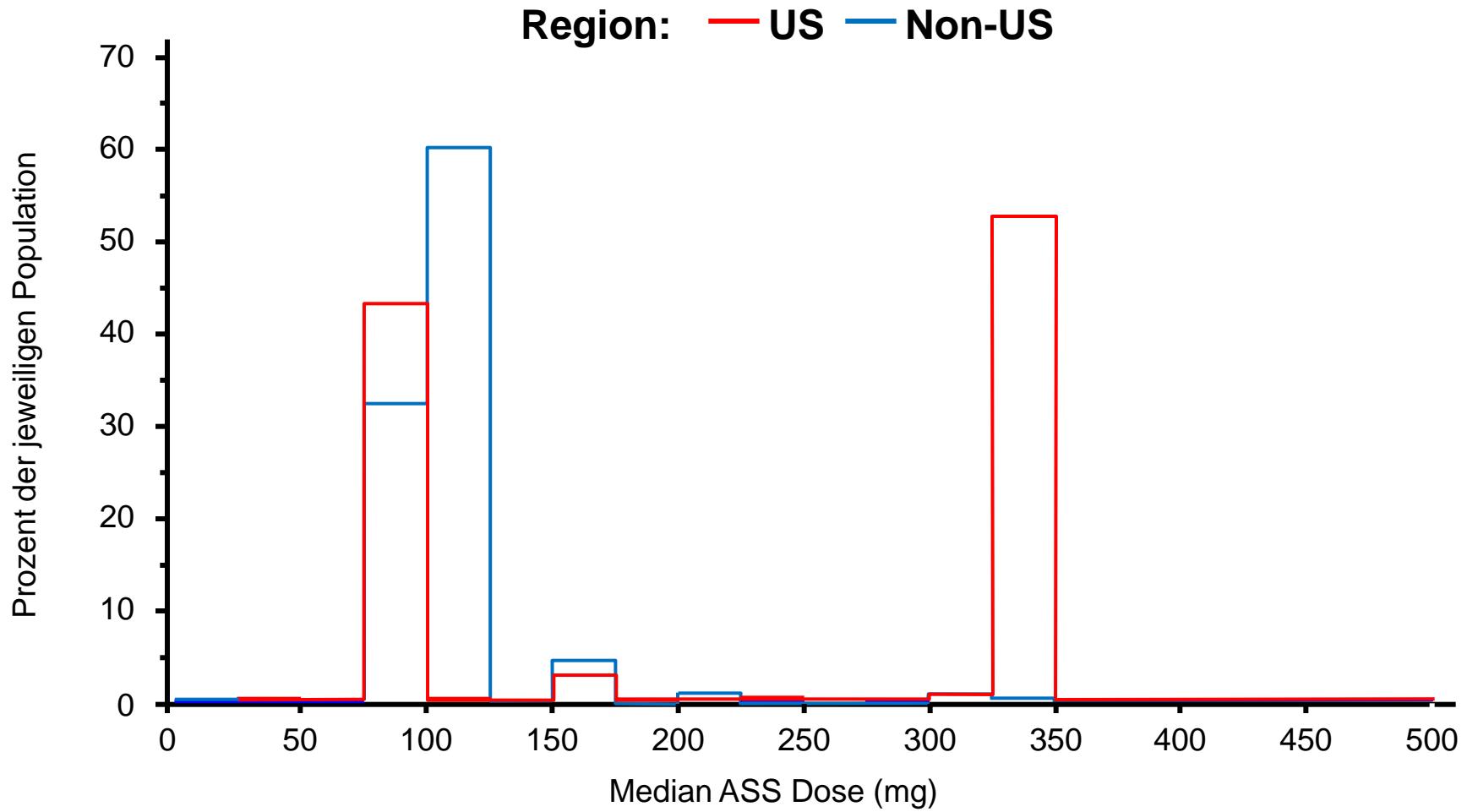
- Cumulative all-cause mortality in patients intended for invasive and non-invasive management.



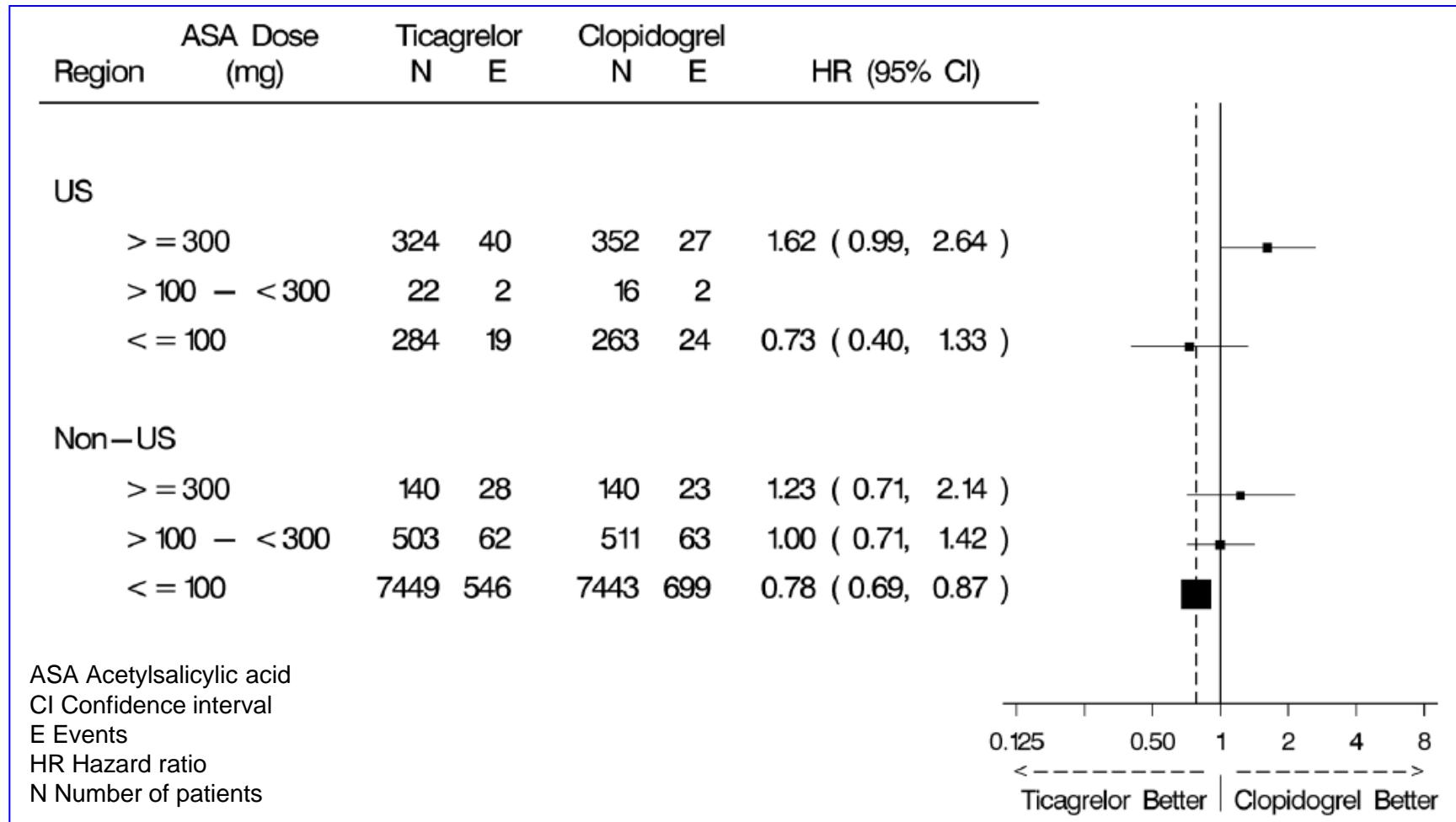
## Hazard Ratios and Rates of Primary End Point in Predefined Subgroups of Study Patients

Characteristic	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Total Patients	KM % at Month 12		HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i> value (Interaction)
			Ti.	CI.		
Region						0.05
Asia/Australia		1714	11.4	14.8	0.80 (0.61, 1.04)	
Central/South America		1237	15.2	17.9	0.86 (0.65, 1.13)	
Europe/Middle East/Africa		13859	8.8	11.0	0.80 (0.72, 0.90)	
North America		1814	11.9	9.6	1.25 (0.93, 1.67)	

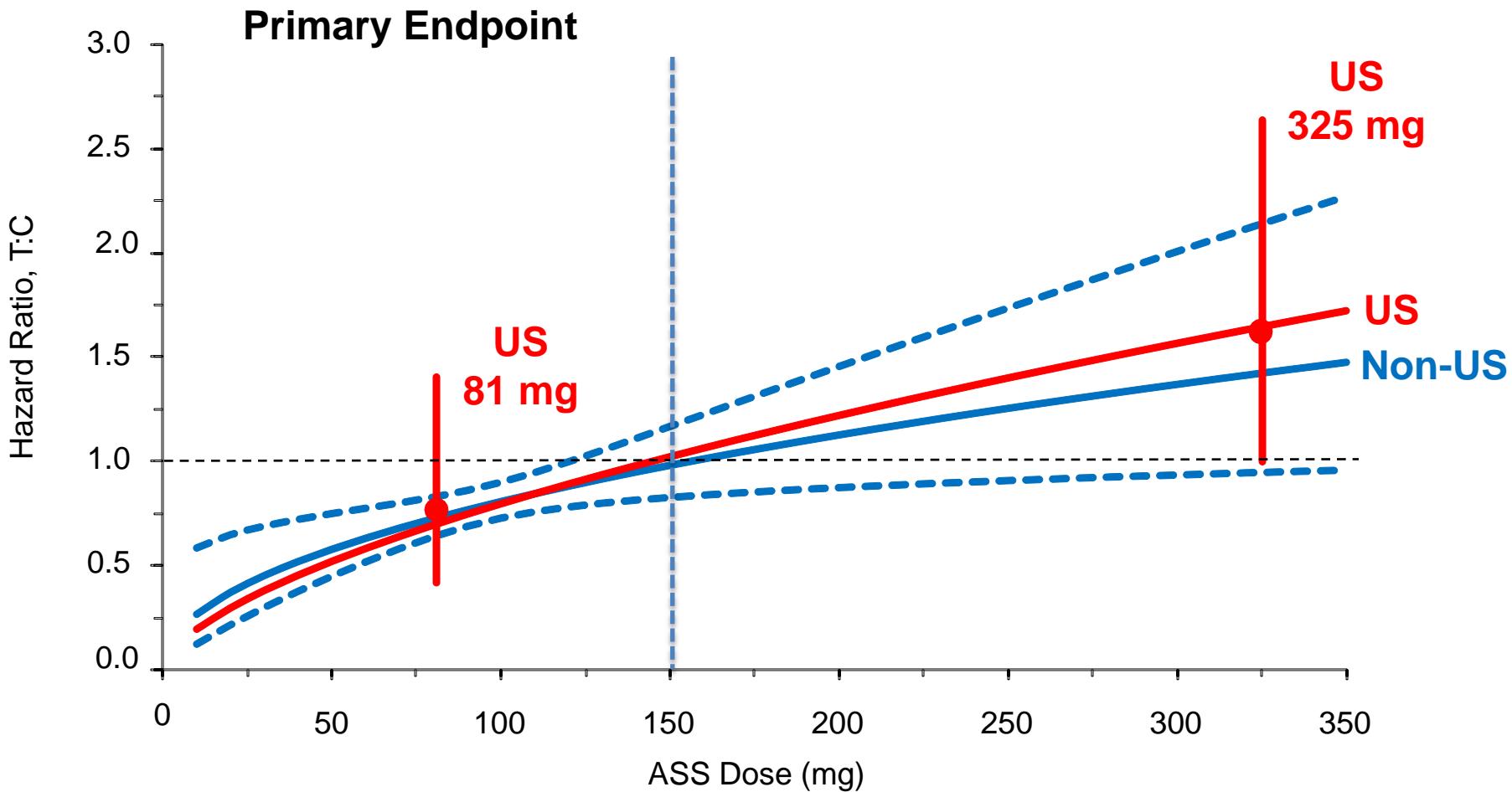
# PLATO: Distribution of ASA Dose



# ICAC-adjudicated primary endpoint by ASA dose category and treatment for US and non-US

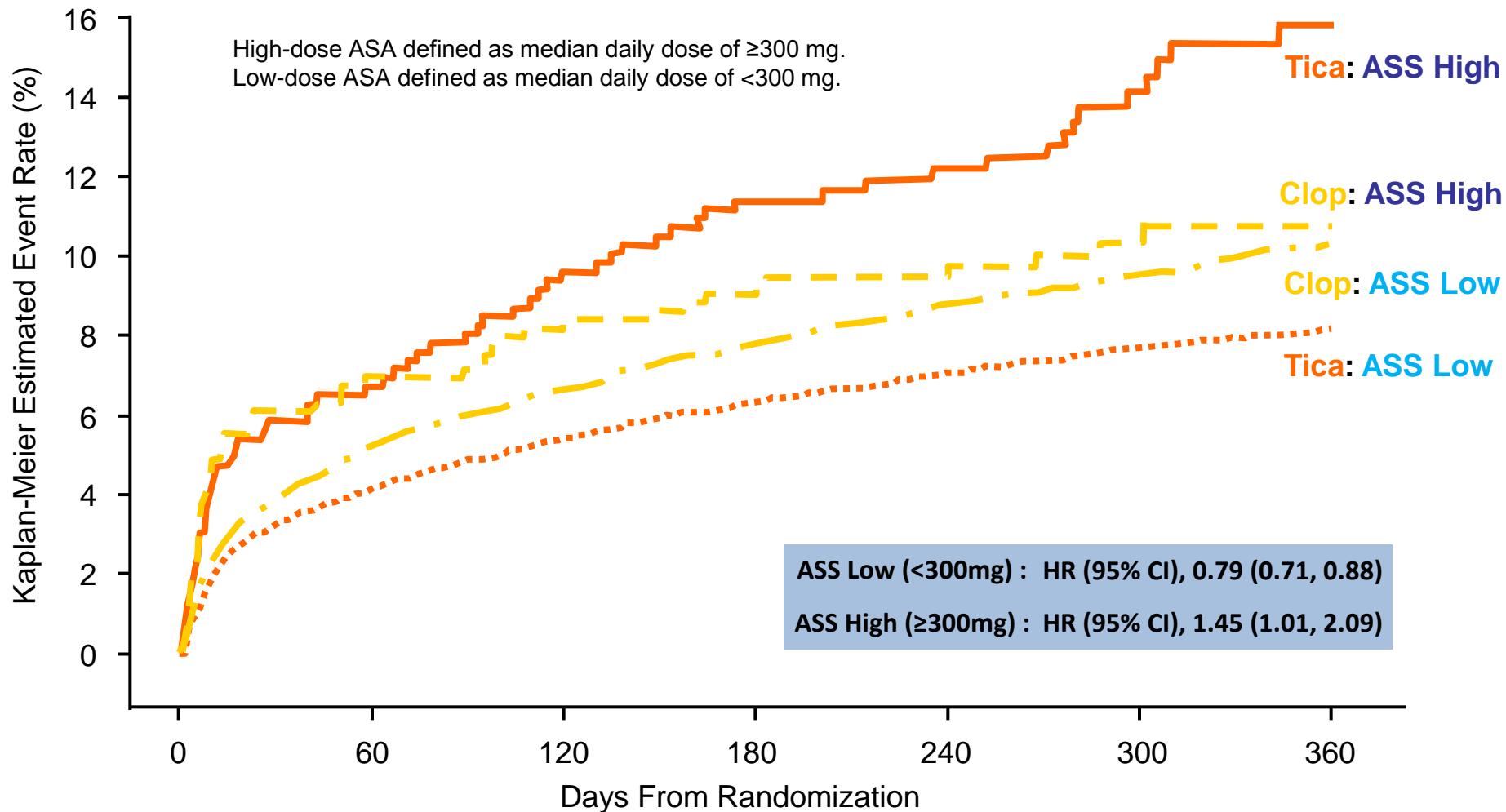


# Optimal ASA Dose

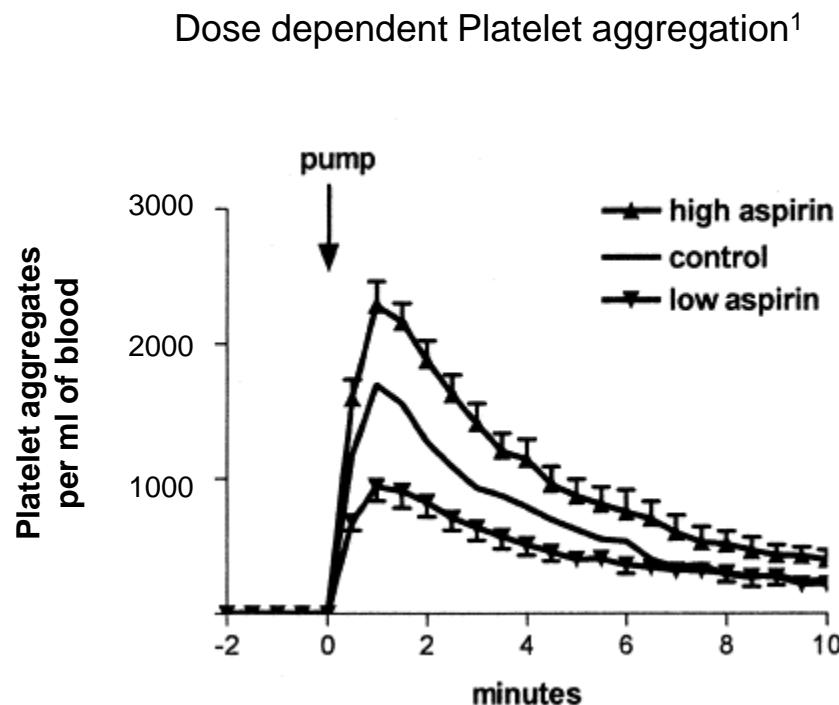
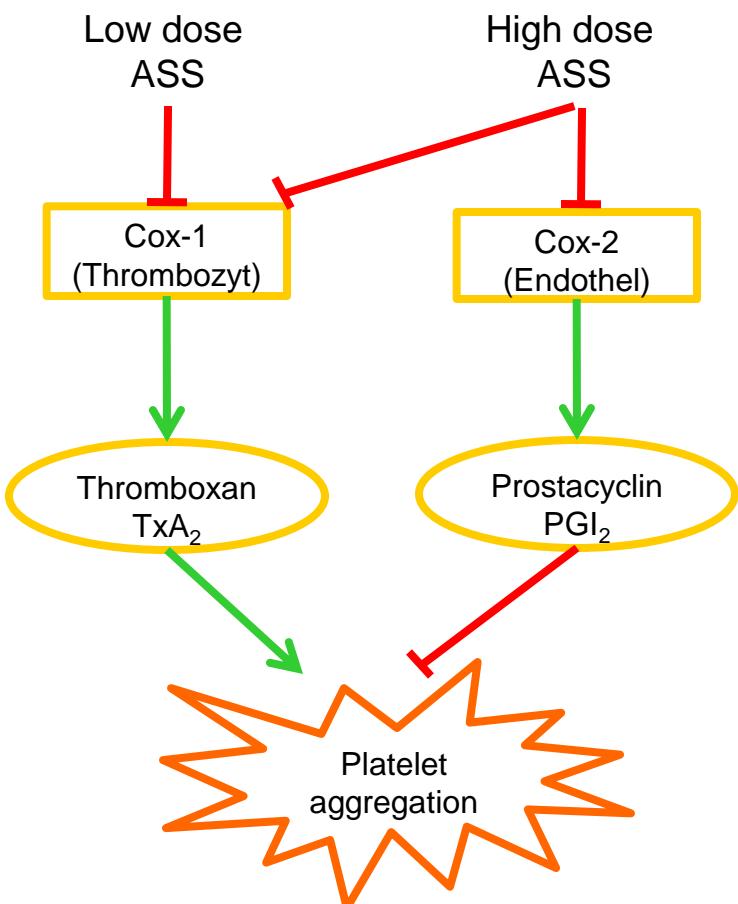


# KAPLAN-MEIER PLOT OF ICAC-ADJUDICATED PRIMARY ENDPOINT BY TREATMENT GROUP AND ASA DOSE CATEGORY

– PLATO FULL ANALYSIS SET



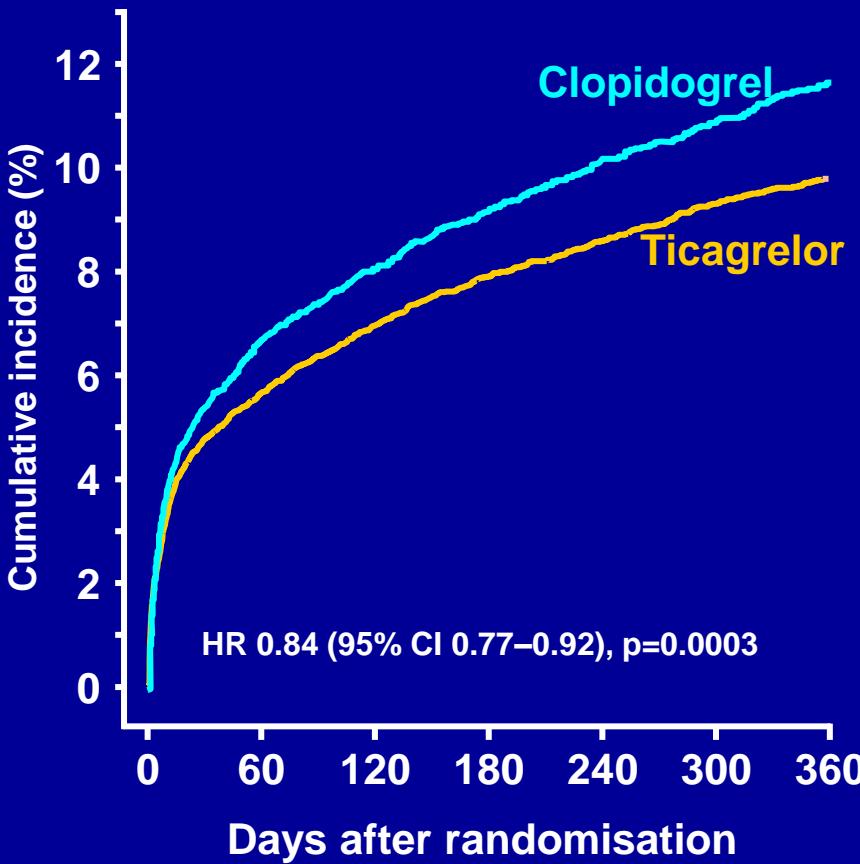
# ASA-Hypothesis: High dose ASA blocks PGI<sub>2</sub>-Production



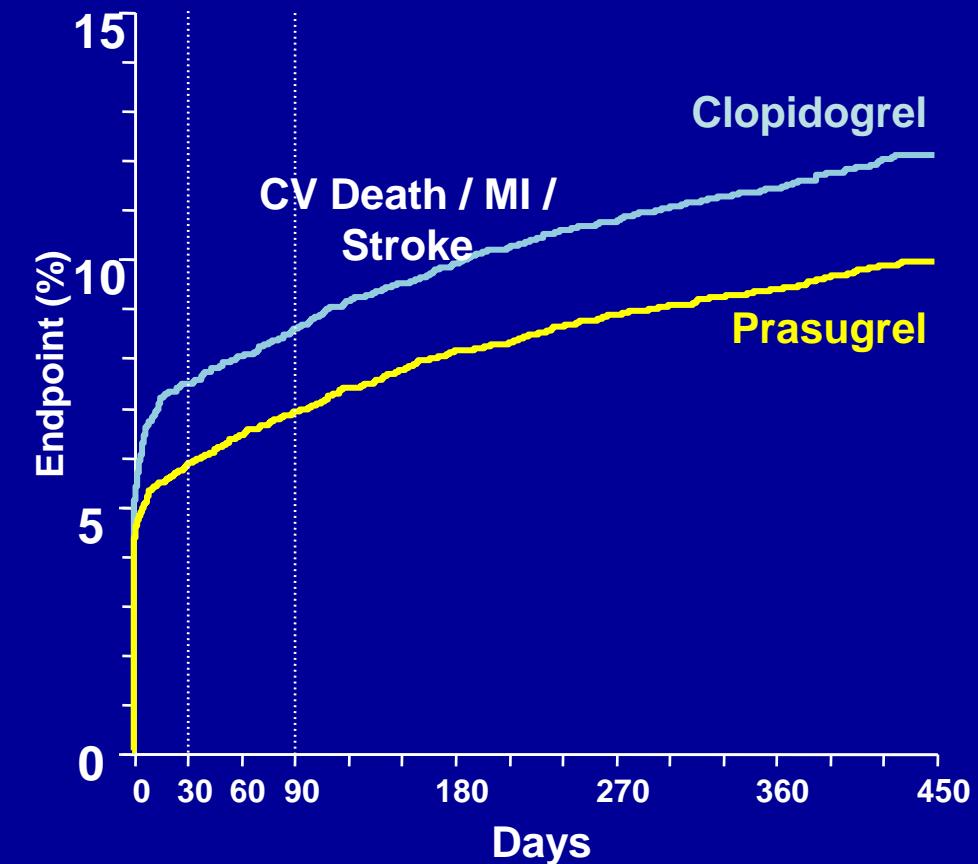
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PLATO



TRITON

# Adenosine Metabolism

Thrombocyts



cardiomyocys,

**Exogen**



ATP → ADP → AMP → **Adenosin** → Xanthine/ → Uric Acid

Hypoxanthine



Erythrocyts,  
Granulocysts



**Ticagrelor**

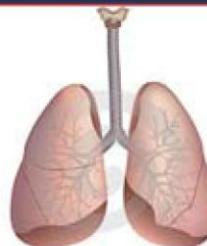
Nucleoside-  
transport

Erythrocyts  
Endothelial cells

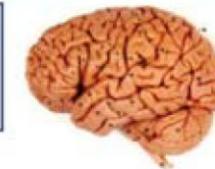
# Ticagrelor: Potential Mechanism of Action



Asystole  
Cytoprotection  
Apoptosis  
Vasodilatation

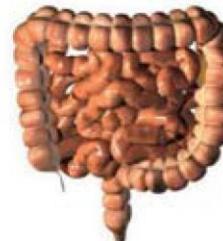
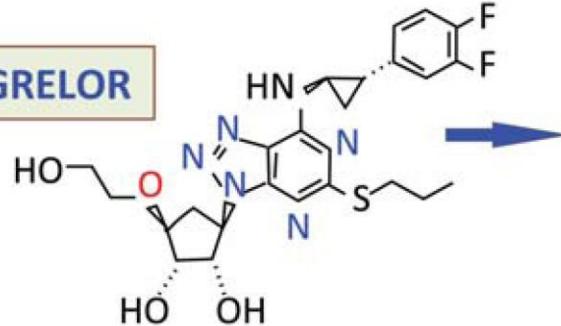


Dyspnea  
Bronchospasm



Agitation  
Anxiety

**TICAGRELOR**



A1

A2A

A2B

A3

**CLOPIDOGREL, PRASUGREL**

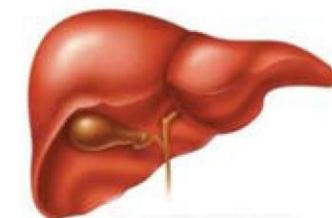


P2Y12 inhibition  
↓ Aggregation  
↓ Secretion

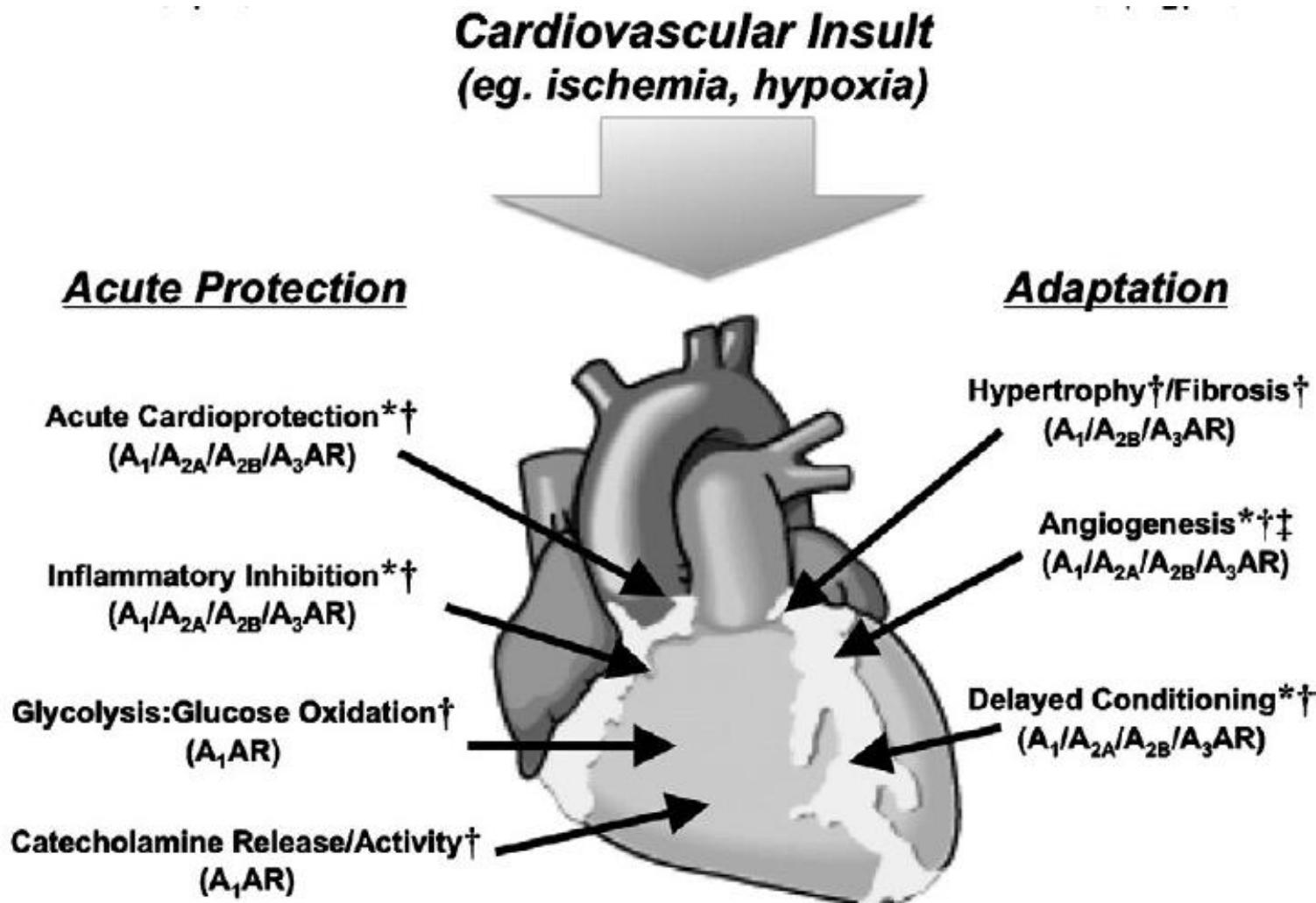


**ADENOSINE**

↑ Uric acid  
↑ Creatinine

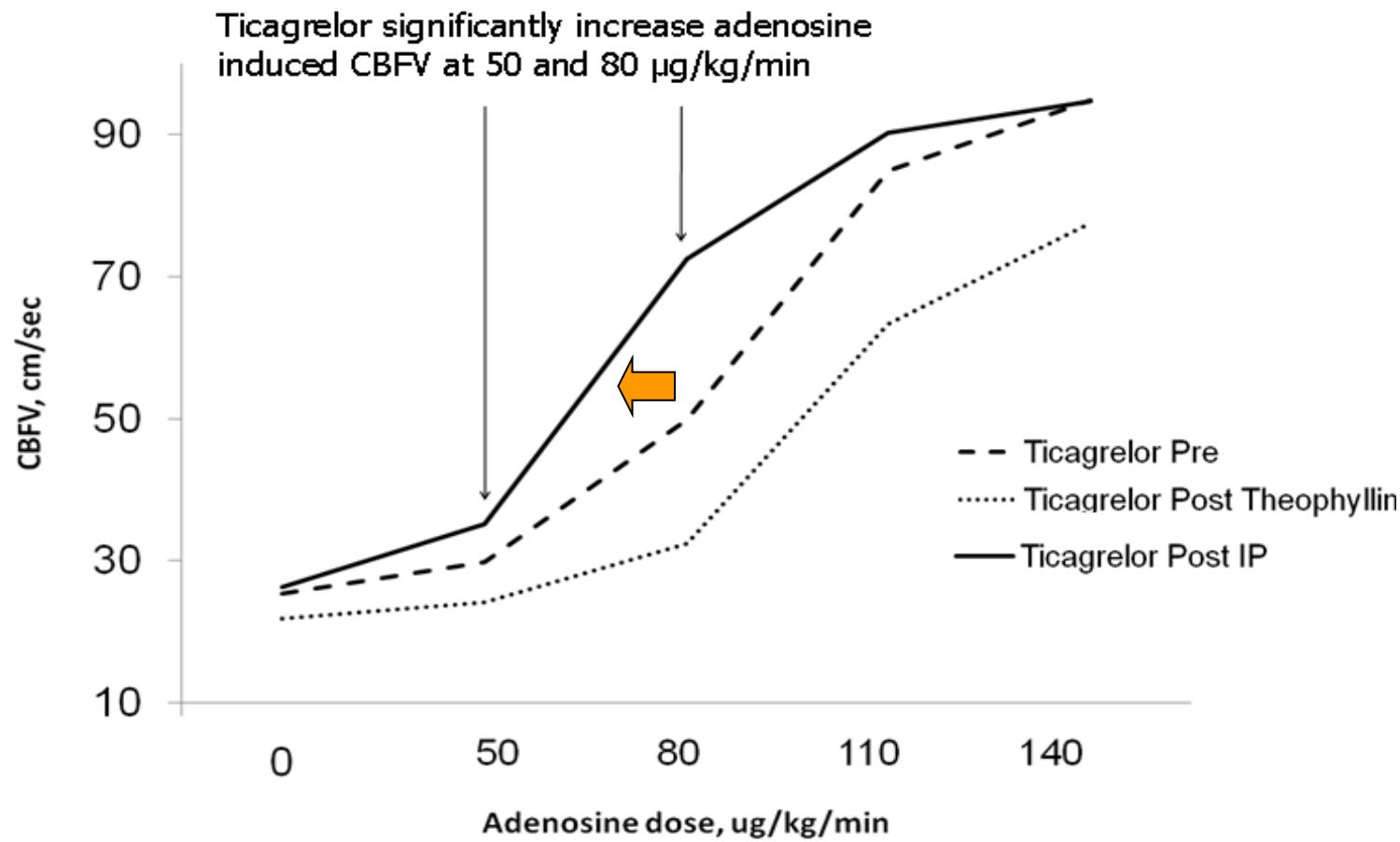


# Adenosine Effects on Myocardium



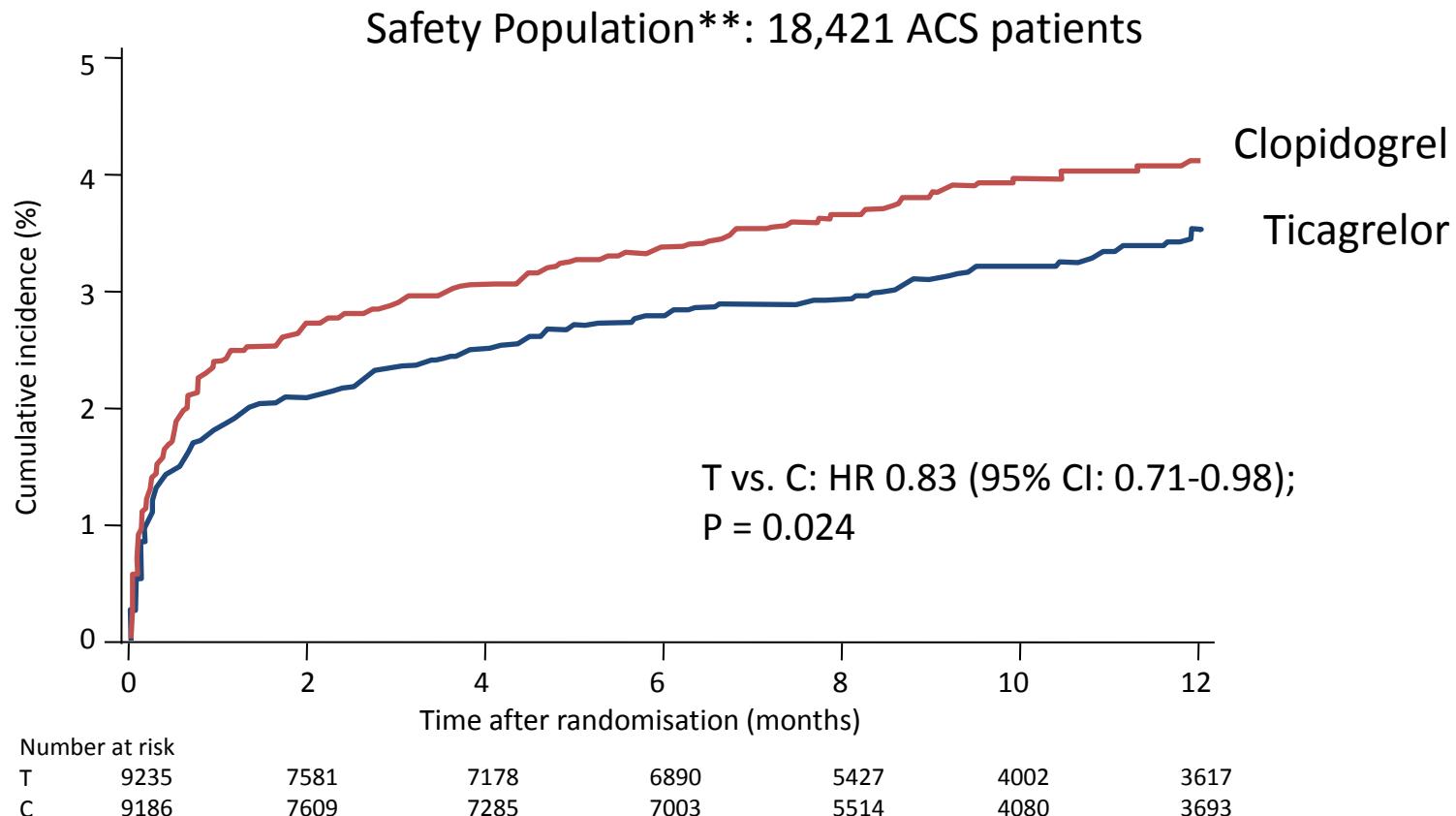
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# Ticagrelor Increases Blood Flow



# Time to Pulmonary AE on Treatment\*

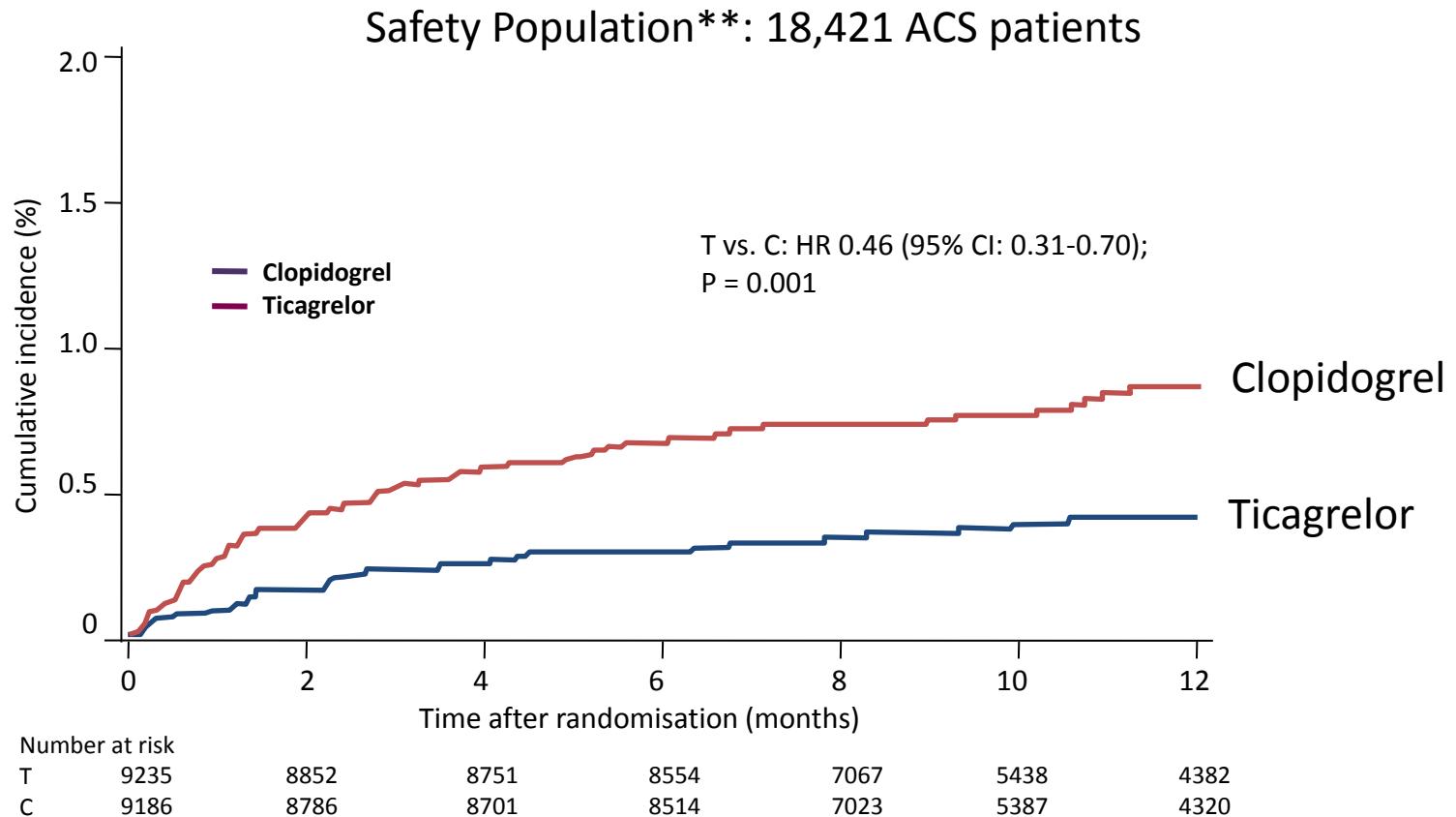
## Pulmonary Infection or Sepsis



\* Within 7 days of last intake of study drug

\*\* received at least one dose of study medication

# Time to death following pulmonary AE on-treatment\* – an exploratory post-hoc analysis



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*Thank you !*

# What do the Guidelines Recommend?



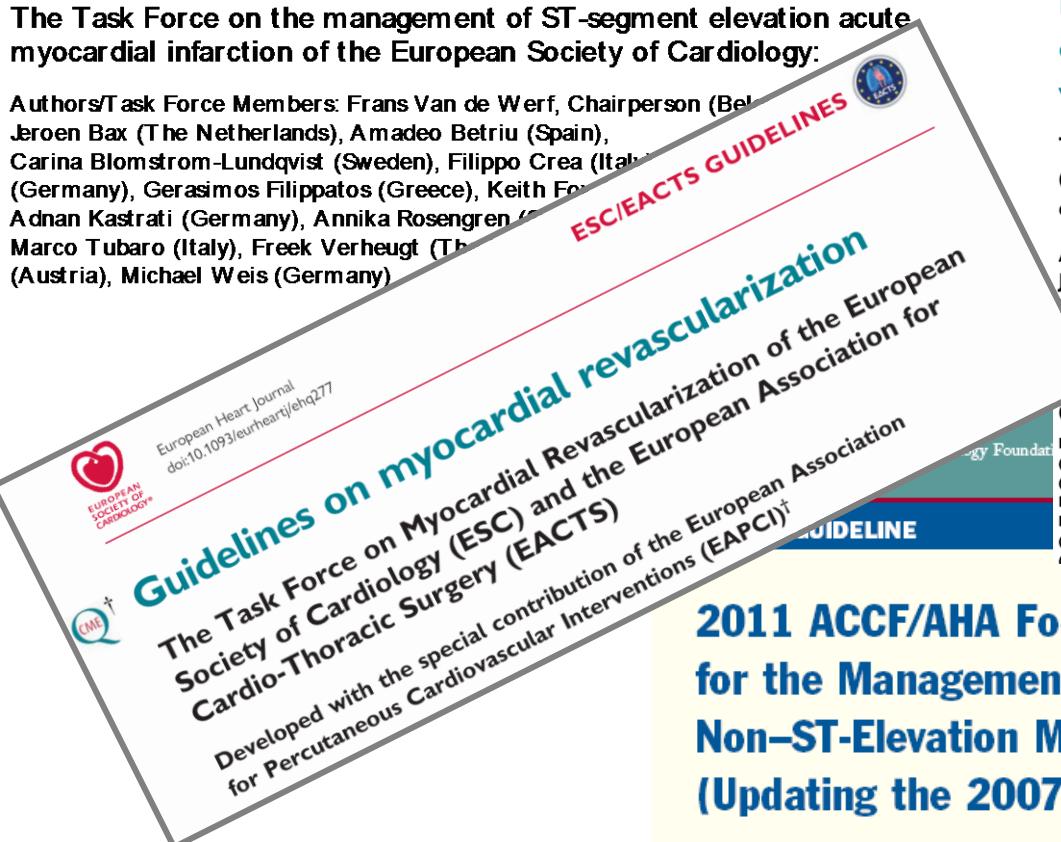
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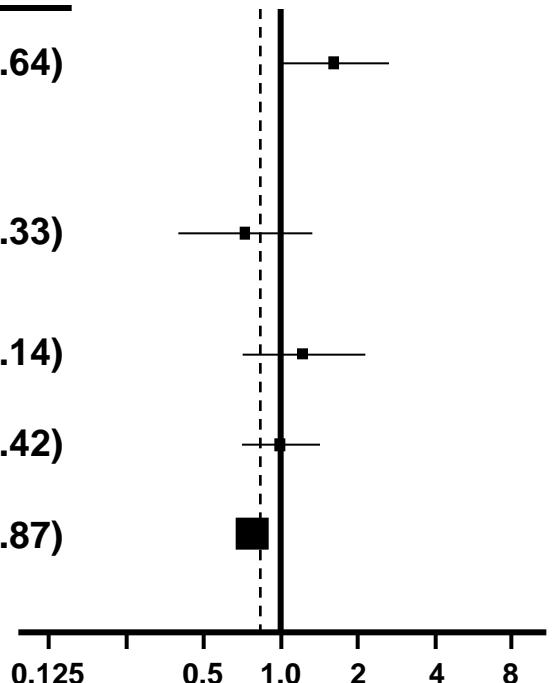
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# Ticagrelor vs. Clopidogrel nach Region und ASS-Dosis in PLATO

PLATO: Primärer Endpunkt (CV-Mortalität, MI, Schlaganfall)

Region	ASS Dosis (mg)	Ticagrelor		Clopidogrel		HR (95% CI)
		N	E	N	E	
US	≥300	324	40	352	27	1.62 (0.99, 2.64)
	>100 – <300	22	2	16	2	
	≤100	284	19	263	24	0.73 (0.40, 1.33)
Non-US	≥300	140	28	140	23	1.23 (0.71, 2.14)
	>100 – <300	503	62	511	63	1.00 (0.71, 1.42)
	≤100	7449	546	7443	699	0.78 (0.69, 0.87)



N = Anzahl Patienten; E = primäre Endpunkt Ereignisse

Ticagrelor Better      Clopidogrel Better

# 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

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
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