



# **Dual Antiplatelet Therapy Beyond One Year After Drug-eluting Coronary Stent Procedures**

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# Background

- Coronary stents are placed to relieve angina, or treat myocardial infarction in millions each year
- Drug-eluting stents (DES) reduce restenosis compared with bare metal stents (BMS), but may be associated with stent thrombosis
- Stent thrombosis is rare, but frequently associated with myocardial infarction, and may be fatal
- While risks diminish over time, there is an ongoing risk of stent thrombosis and other ischemic events, beyond one year
- No randomized study of dual antiplatelet therapy duration has been powered to assess stent thrombosis
- The DAPT Study was designed in response to a request from the FDA to evaluate the effect of dual antiplatelet therapy beyond one year in subjects treated with coronary stents

- To determine whether dual antiplatelet therapy beyond 12 months is associated with reduction in **stent thrombosis** and/or major adverse cardiovascular and cerebrovascular events (MACCE, **death, myocardial infarction or stroke**)
- To determine the impact of dual antiplatelet therapy beyond 12 months on **moderate or severe bleeding**

In a broadly inclusive population treated with coronary stents

Randomization\*

Study Drug  
Treatment Ends

12-Month  
Observational Period:  
Open-Label  
Thienopyridine +  
Aspirin Required

Thienopyridine + Aspirin

Placebo + Aspirin

3-Month  
Observational  
Period: Off  
Thienopyridine, On  
Aspirin



Time in months after index stent procedure (not to scale)

Enrolled: Subjects treated with FDA-approved DES or BMS. Subjects on oral anticoagulant therapy or with life expectancy < 3 years excluded.

Randomized: Alive and free from MI, stroke, repeat revascularization, and moderate or severe bleeding, and adherent with thienopyridine (80% to 120% of doses taken and no interruption > 14 days).

- Multicenter, international, placebo-controlled
- Operators selected stent and thienopyridine type from those available and approved by FDA
- Single randomized trial incorporating 5 individual component studies for enrollment - each following uniform inclusion criteria and follow-up schedule specified by the DAPT Study protocol
- Randomization and analysis stratified by site, DES vs BMS, thienopyridine type, and by presence of risk factors for stent thrombosis
- One overall clinical events committee, blinded to treatment
- One overall data safety monitoring committee

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## **Public-Private Partnership**

### **US Food and Drug Administration**

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### **8 Funding Stent and Pharmaceutical**

**Manufacturers:** Abbott Vascular, Boston Scientific Corp., Bristol-Myers Squibb Co./Sanofi Pharmaceuticals Partnership, Cordis Corp., Daiichi Sankyo Co. Limited, Eli Lilly & Co., Medtronic Vascular

### **Harvard Clinical Research Institute**

(HCRI, Boston, MA) as the study sponsor

# Enrolling Countries



**11 Countries, 452 Sites**

Two powered co-primary effectiveness end points

- **Definite or probable stent thrombosis** (Academic Research Consortium definition)
- **Major adverse cardiovascular or cerebrovascular events** (MACCE, death, MI or stroke)

Powered primary safety end point

- **Moderate or severe bleeding** (Global Utilization of Streptokinase and TPA for Occluded Arteries classification [GUSTO])

**Primary analysis period = drug treatment period of 12-30 m**

**Primary analysis cohort: randomized DES-treated subjects**

**Secondary analysis period of 12-33 m**



# Co-Primary Effectiveness Hypotheses

Continued thienopyridine (vs. placebo)

- Increases survival free from ST over 12-30m period after stenting
- Increases survival free from MACCE over 12-30m period after stenting

Benjamini-Hochberg approach requires either of the following to conclude superiority

1)  $p < 0.05$  on both end points and both HRs favor continued thienopyridine

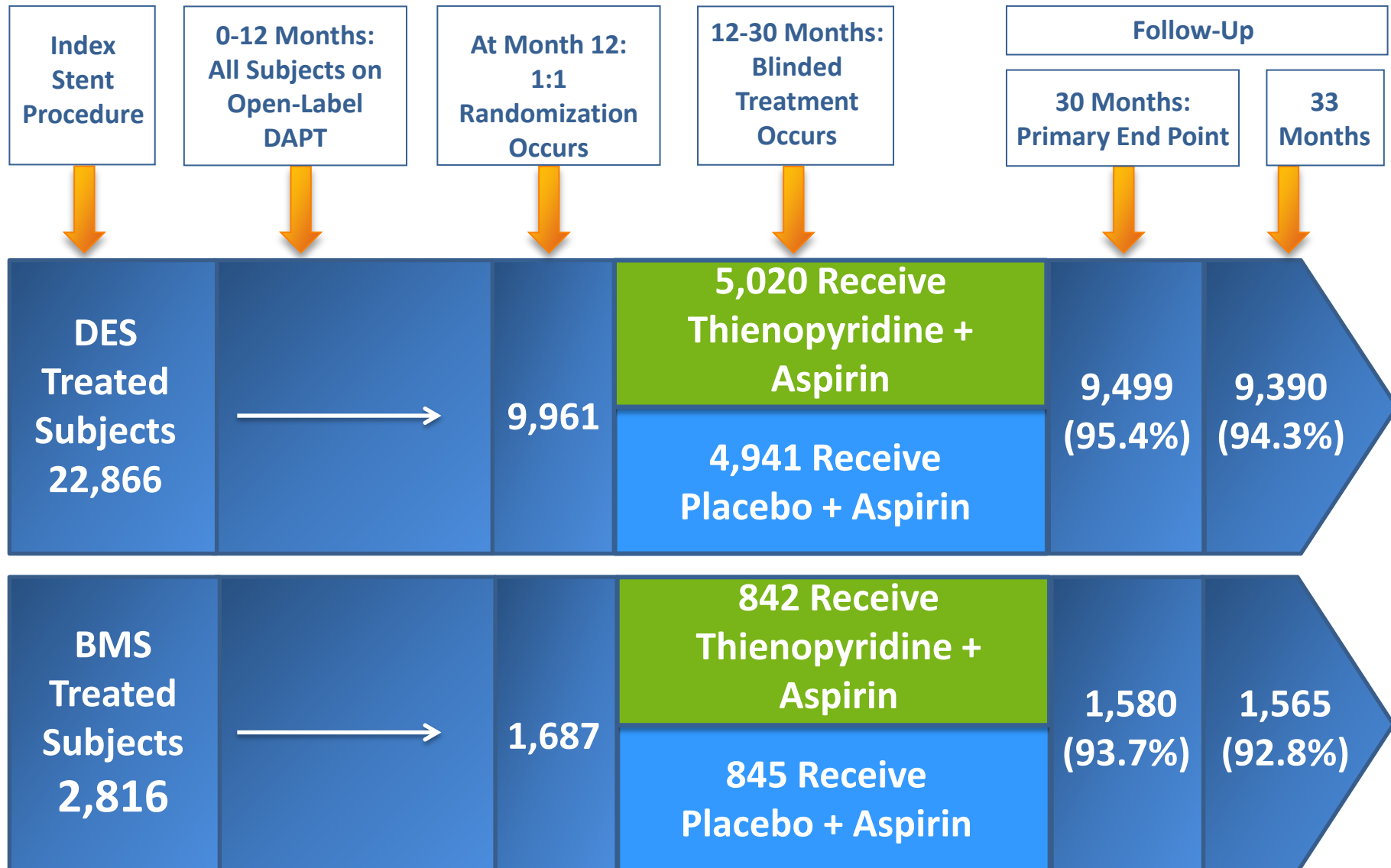
OR

2)  $p < 0.025$  on one end point with HR favoring continued thienopyridine

Anticipated treatment effect	HR
ST	0.45
MACCE	0.75

A sample size of 9,960 randomized drug-eluting stent subjects had >85% power to detect superiority in terms of ST and/or MACCE from 12-30 m.

# Subject Flow



# Baseline Demographics

	Thienopyridine N=5020	Placebo N=4941	P-value
Age (years)	61.8	61.6	0.24
Female	24.7%	26.0%	0.15
Race – Non White	8.9%	8.6%	0.67
Ethnicity-Hispanic or Latino	3.2%	3.3%	0.91
Weight – kg	91.5	91.5	0.93
BMI	30.5	30.6	0.92
Diabetes Mellitus	31.1%	30.1%	0.28
Hypertension	75.8%	74.0%	0.03
Cigarette Smoker	24.6%	24.7%	0.91
Prior PCI	30.4%	31.0%	0.50
Prior CABG	11.3%	11.8%	0.49
NSTEMI	15.5%	15.5%	0.93
STEMI	10.6%	10.3%	0.65

# Procedure and Lesion Characteristics

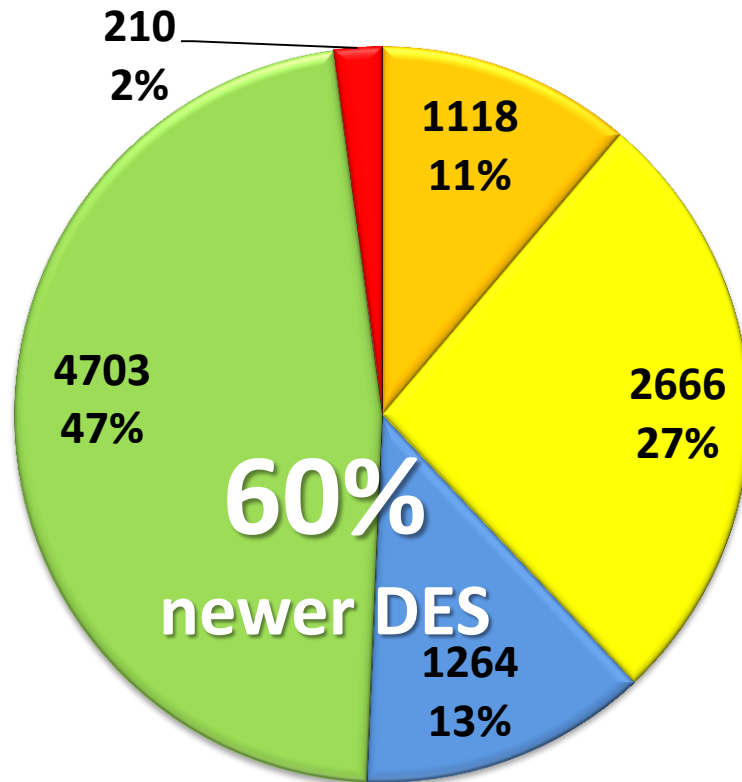
	Thienopyridine N=5020 (6594 Lesions)	Placebo N=4941 (6413 Lesions)	P- Value
Number of Treated Vessels	1.11	1.12	0.60
Number of Stents	1.47	1.45	0.23
Total Stent Length (mm)	27.7	27.4	0.43
Stent Diameter <3mm (min per subject)	46.6%	46.4%	0.99
Native Coronary	97.1%	96.8%	0.36
Left Main	0.84%	0.86%	0.92
LAD	41.2%	40.4%	0.33
Circumflex	22.4%	23.5%	0.12
RCA	32.7%	32.1%	0.49
Venous Graft	2.3%	2.7%	0.20
Arterial Graft	0.55%	0.47%	0.54
Modified ACC/AHA Lesion Class B2 or C	43.5%	43.1%	0.65

# Stent Thrombosis Risk Factors at Index Procedure

	Thienopyridine N=5020	Placebo N=4941	P-value
STEMI or NSTEMI	26.10%	25.87%	0.80
Renal insufficiency/failure	4.46%	4.00%	0.27
LVEF < 30%	1.72%	1.48%	0.40
> 2 vessels stented	0.38%	0.59%	0.15
> 2 lesions per vessel	1.85%	1.90%	0.88
Lesion length $\geq$ 30 mm	10.04%	10.15%	0.87
Bifurcation lesion	6.49%	6.52%	0.97
In stent restenosis of DES	3.12%	3.19%	0.86
Vein bypass graft	2.53%	3.10%	0.09
Unprotected left main	0.38%	0.47%	0.54
Thrombus-containing lesion	11.83%	11.71%	0.87
Prior brachytherapy	0.26%	0.26%	1.00
<b>Any Risk Factor</b>	<b>50.73%</b>	<b>50.99%</b>	<b>0.81</b>

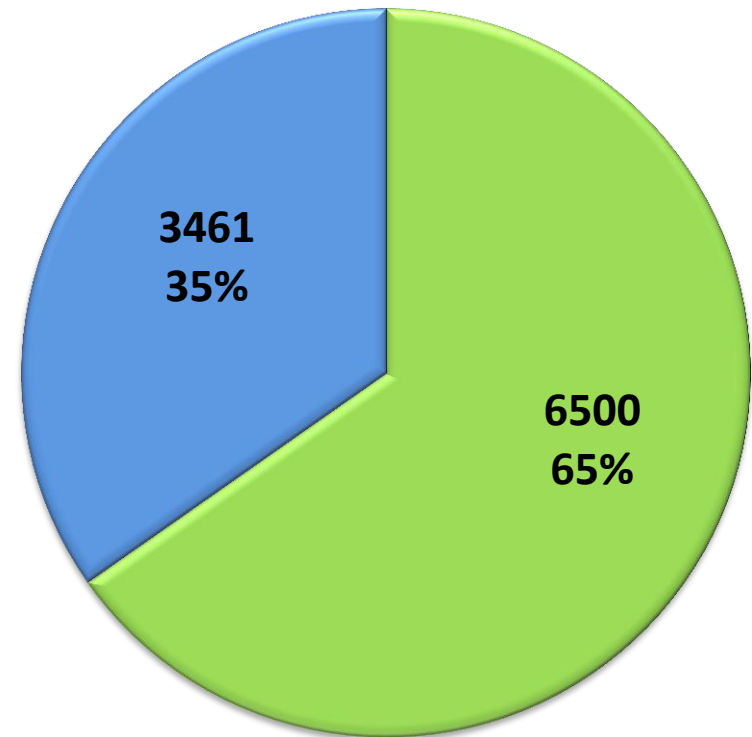
# Stent & Drug Types

## Drug Eluting Stent Type



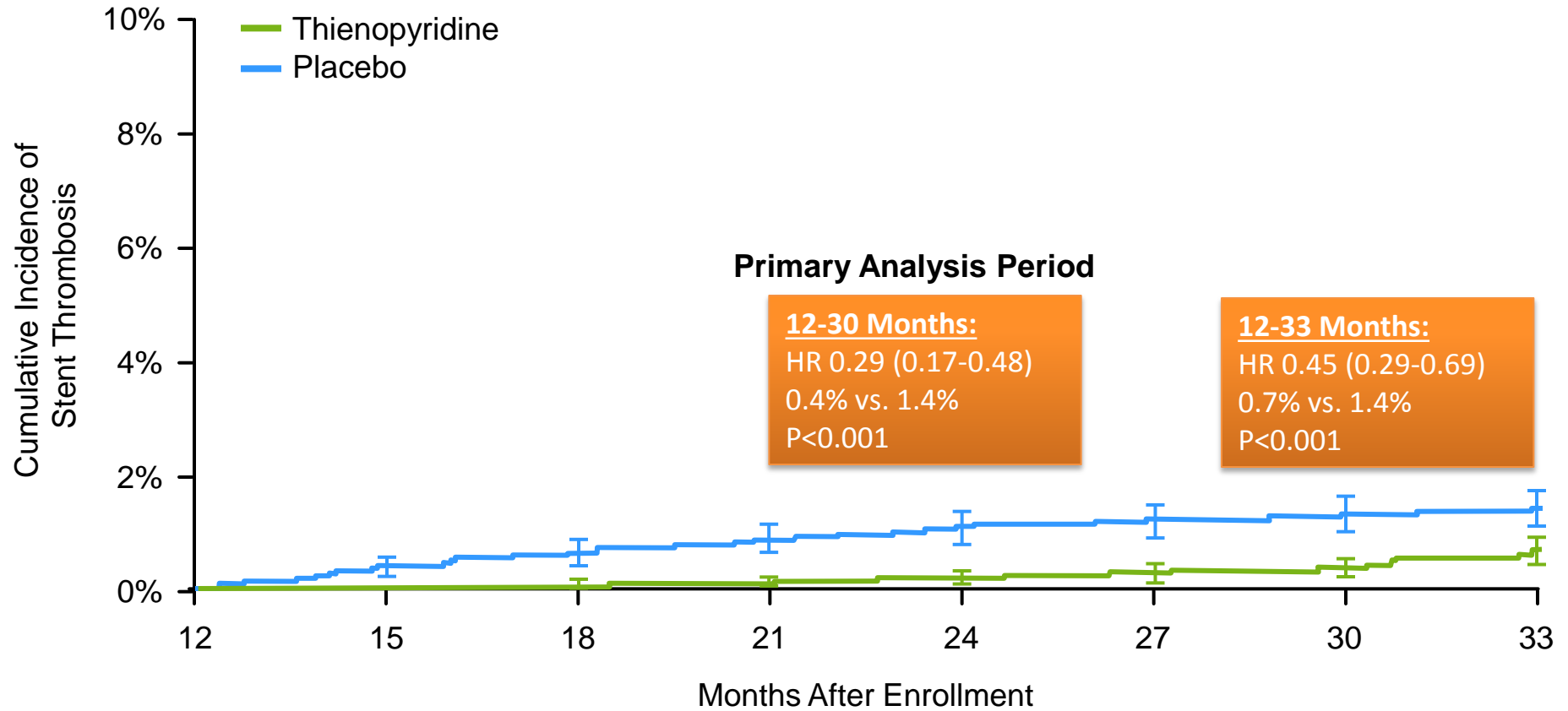
- sirolimus
- paclitaxel
- zotarolimus (Endeavor)
- everolimus
- >1 DES Type

## Thienopyridine Type



- clopidogrel
- prasugrel

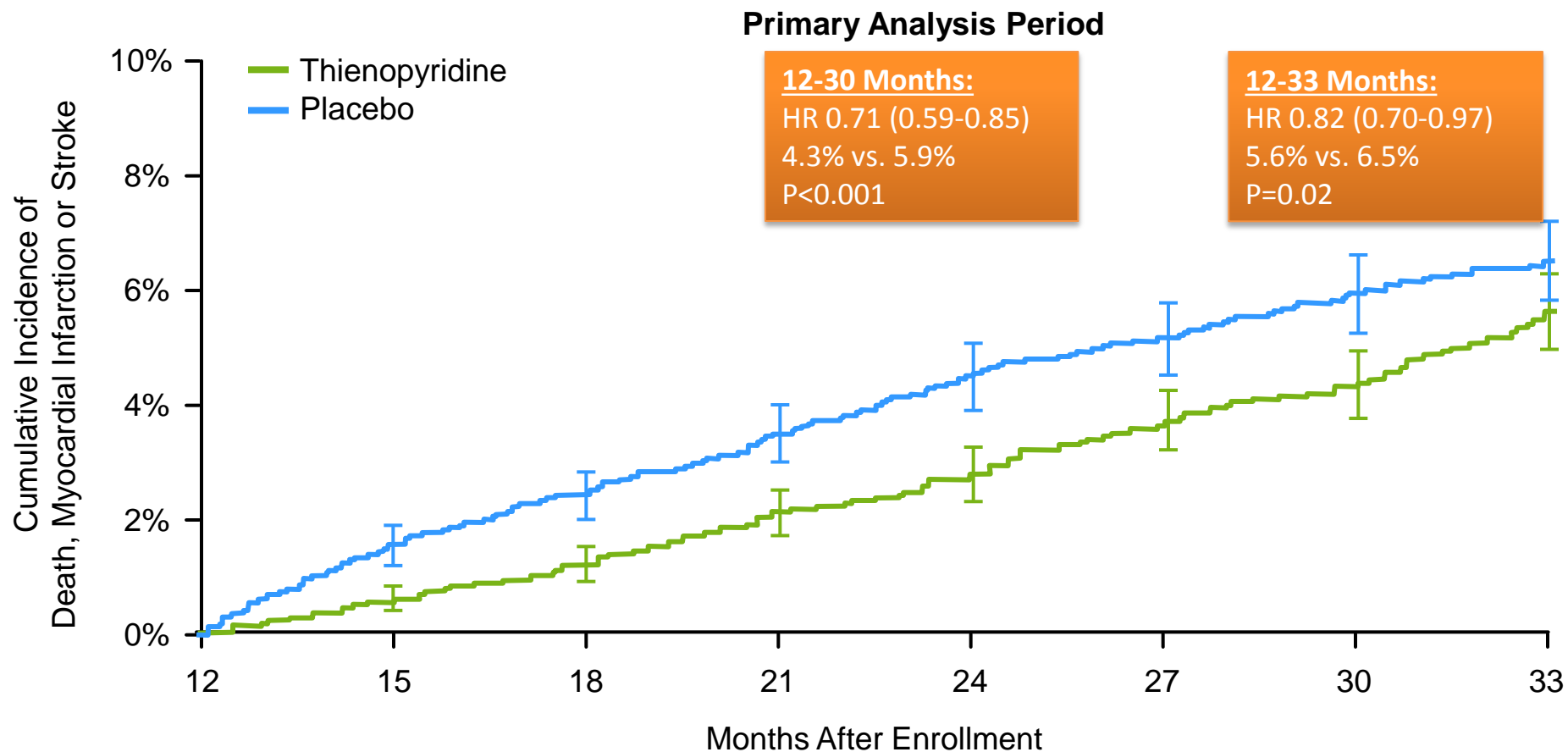
# Co-Primary Effectiveness End Point Stent Thrombosis



# At Risk

Thienopyridine	5020	4934	4870	4828	4765	4686	4642	3110
Placebo	4941	4845	4775	4721	4651	4603	4556	3105

# Co-Primary Effectiveness End Point MACCE

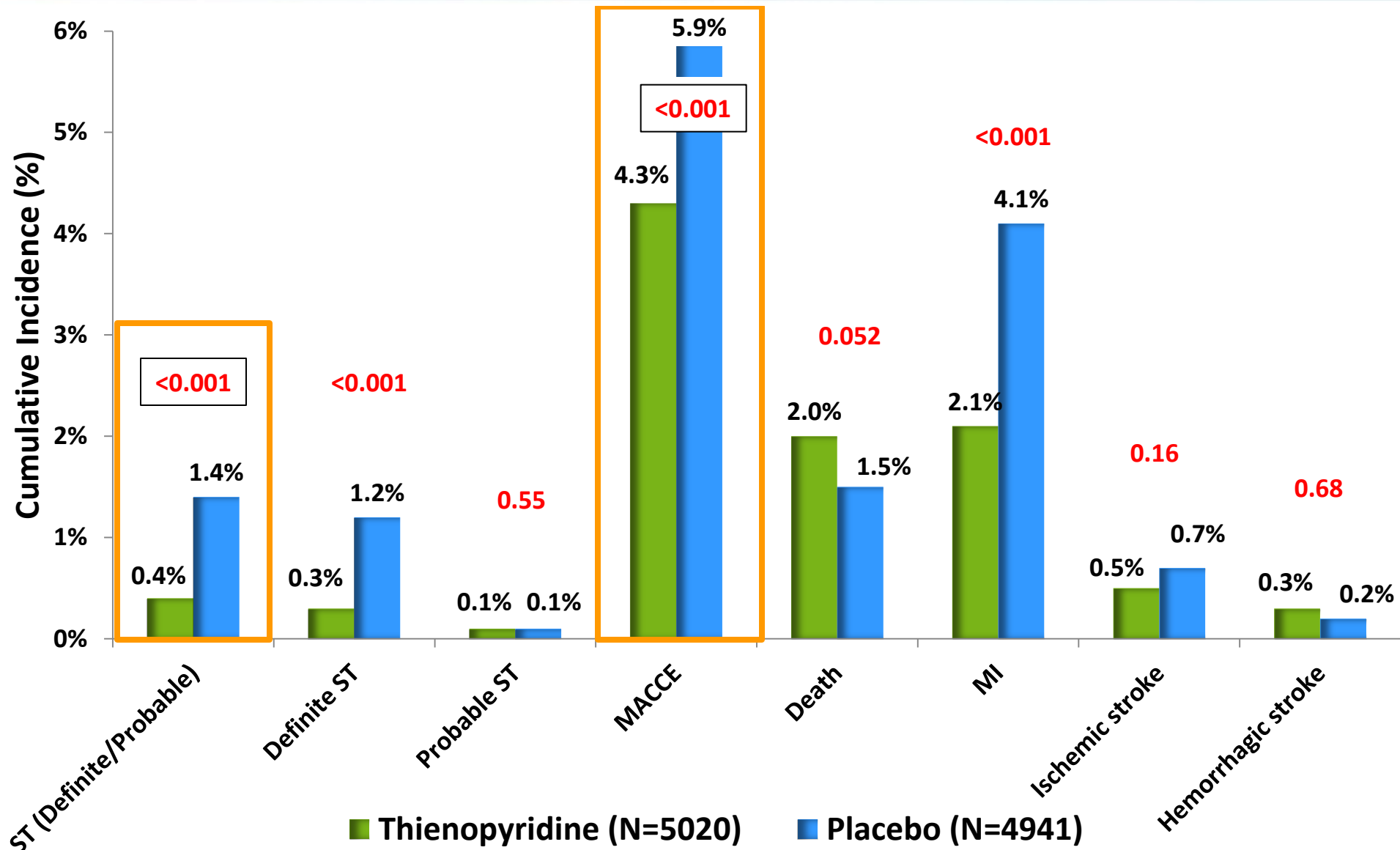


# At Risk

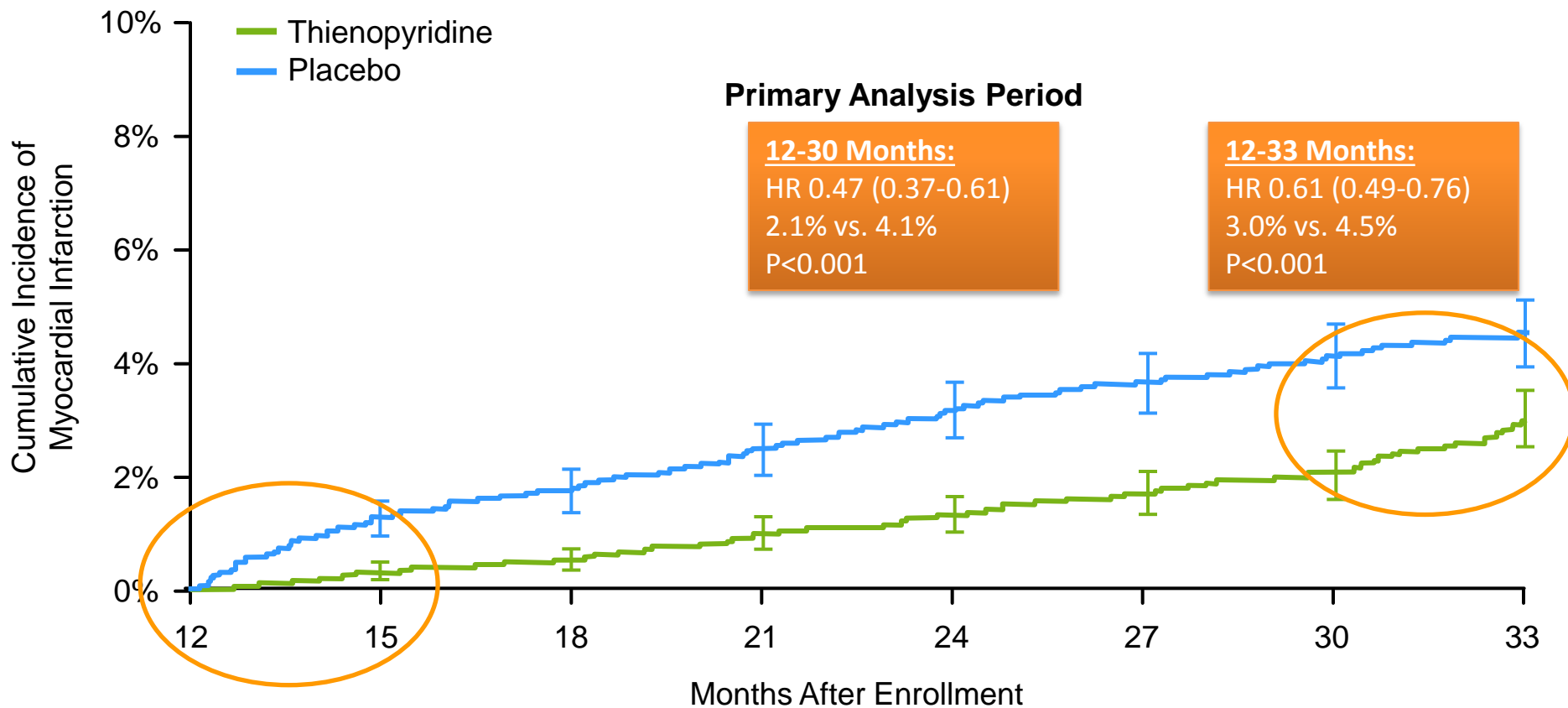
Thienopyridine	5020	4917	4840	4778	4702	4611	4554	3029
Placebo	4941	4799	4715	4635	4542	4476	4412	2997



# Co-Primary Effectiveness End Points & Components: 12-30 Months



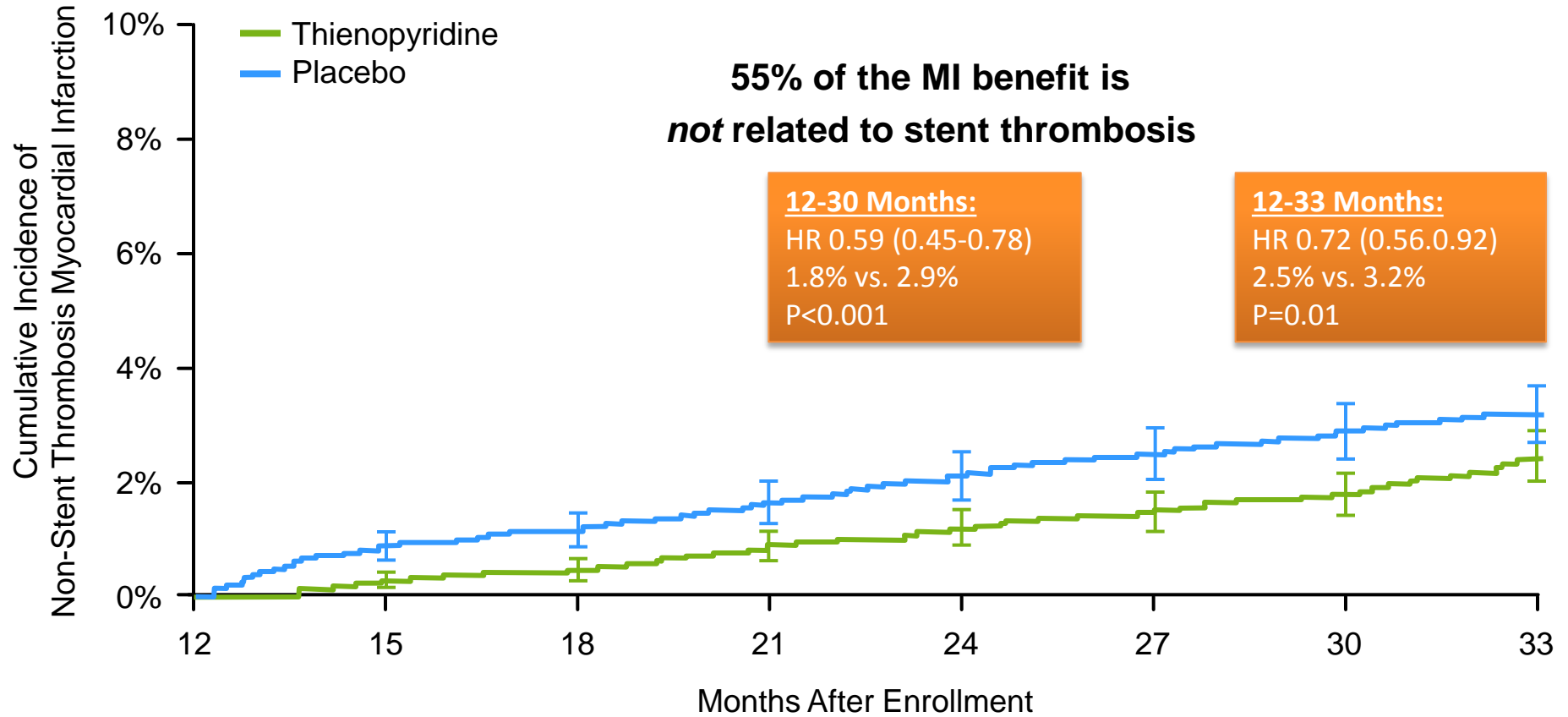
# Myocardial Infarction



# At Risk

Thienopyridine	5020	4920	4849	4789	4717	4634	4580	3051
Placebo	4941	4804	4727	4653	4565	4501	4440	3012

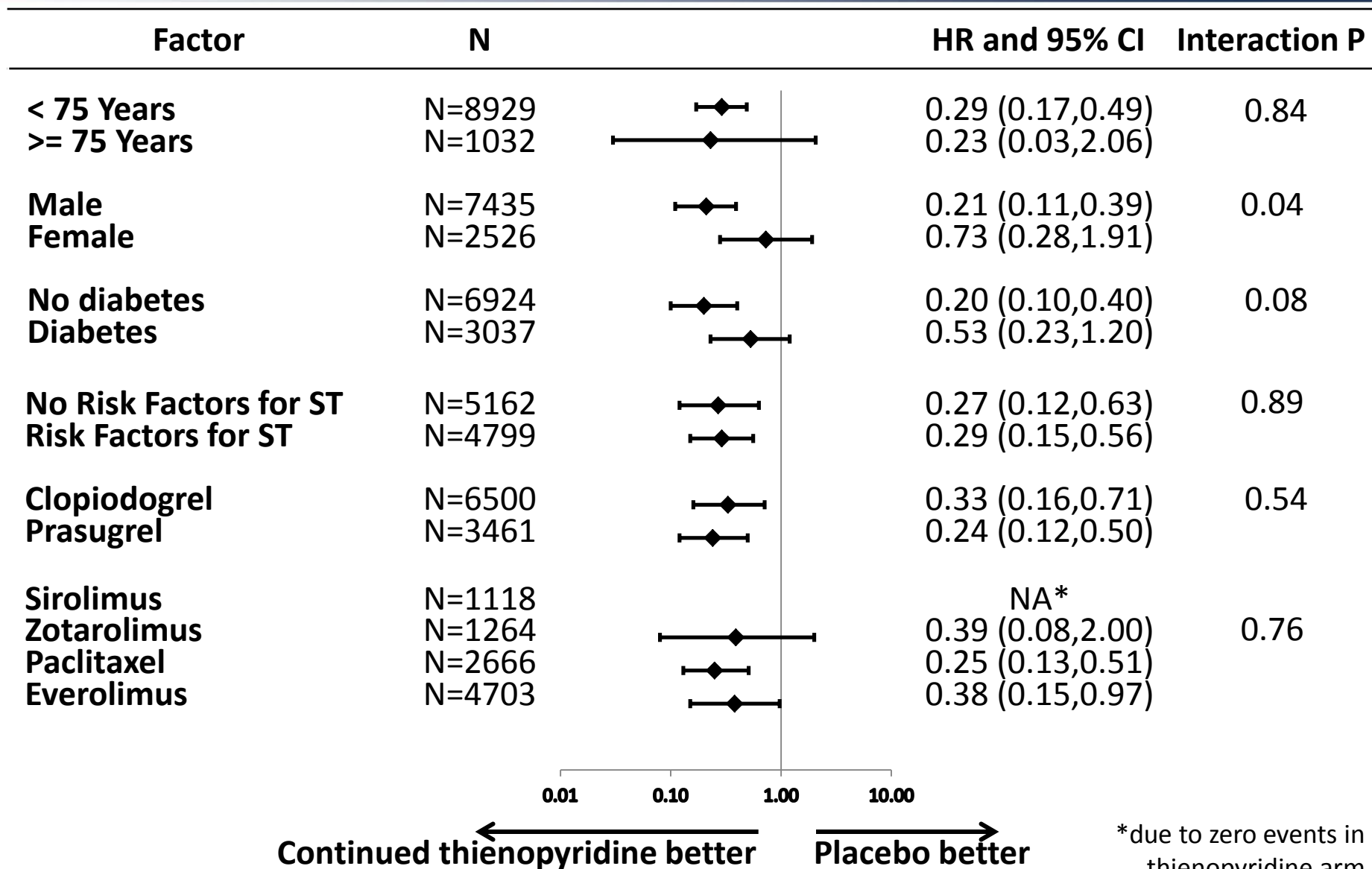
# Non-Stent Thrombosis Myocardial Infarction



# At Risk

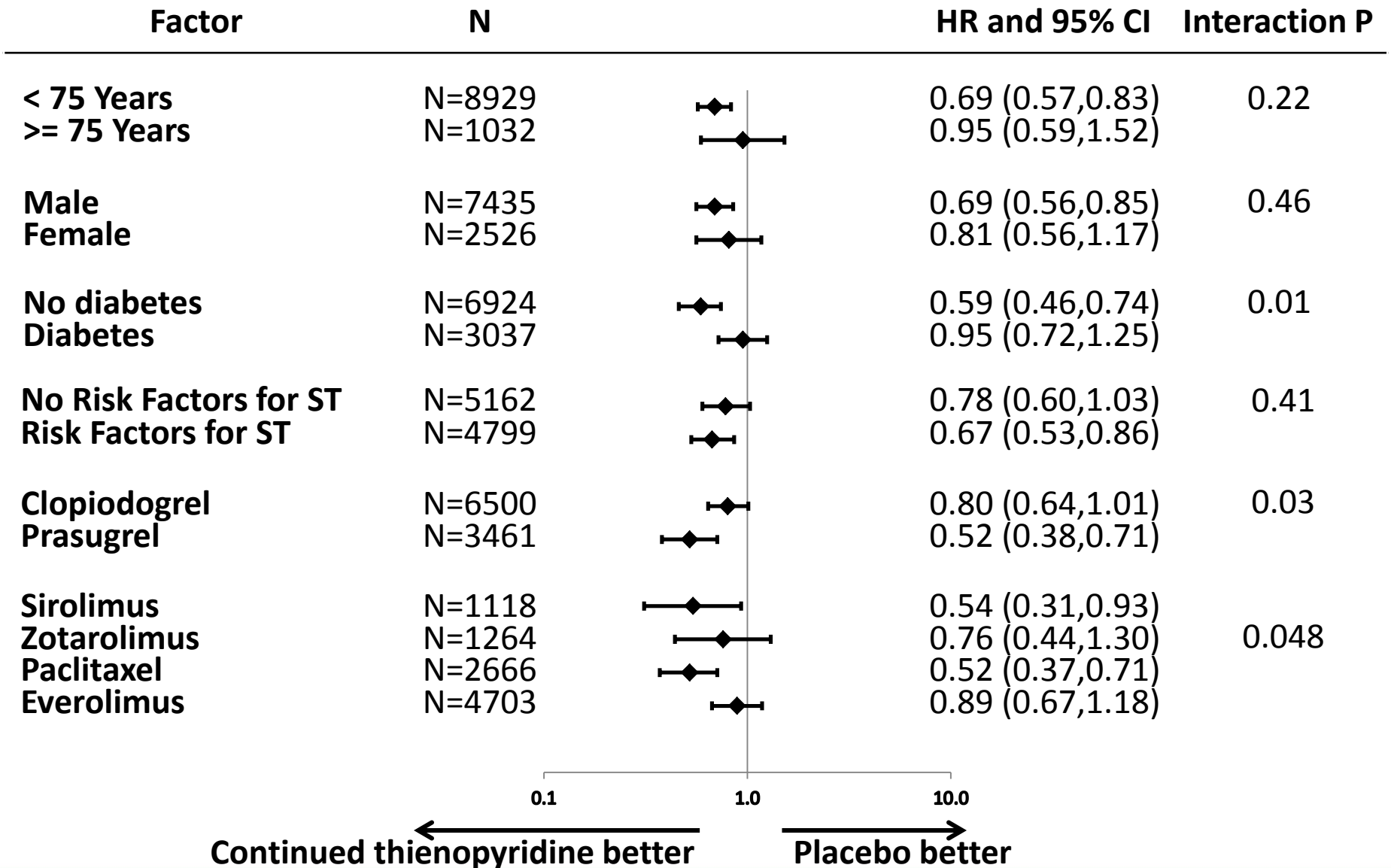
Thienopyridine	5020	4920	4851	4792	4721	4641	4588	3066
Placebo	4941	4820	4751	4686	4607	4547	4491	3052

# Consistency of Treatment Effect Stent Thrombosis (12-30 Months)



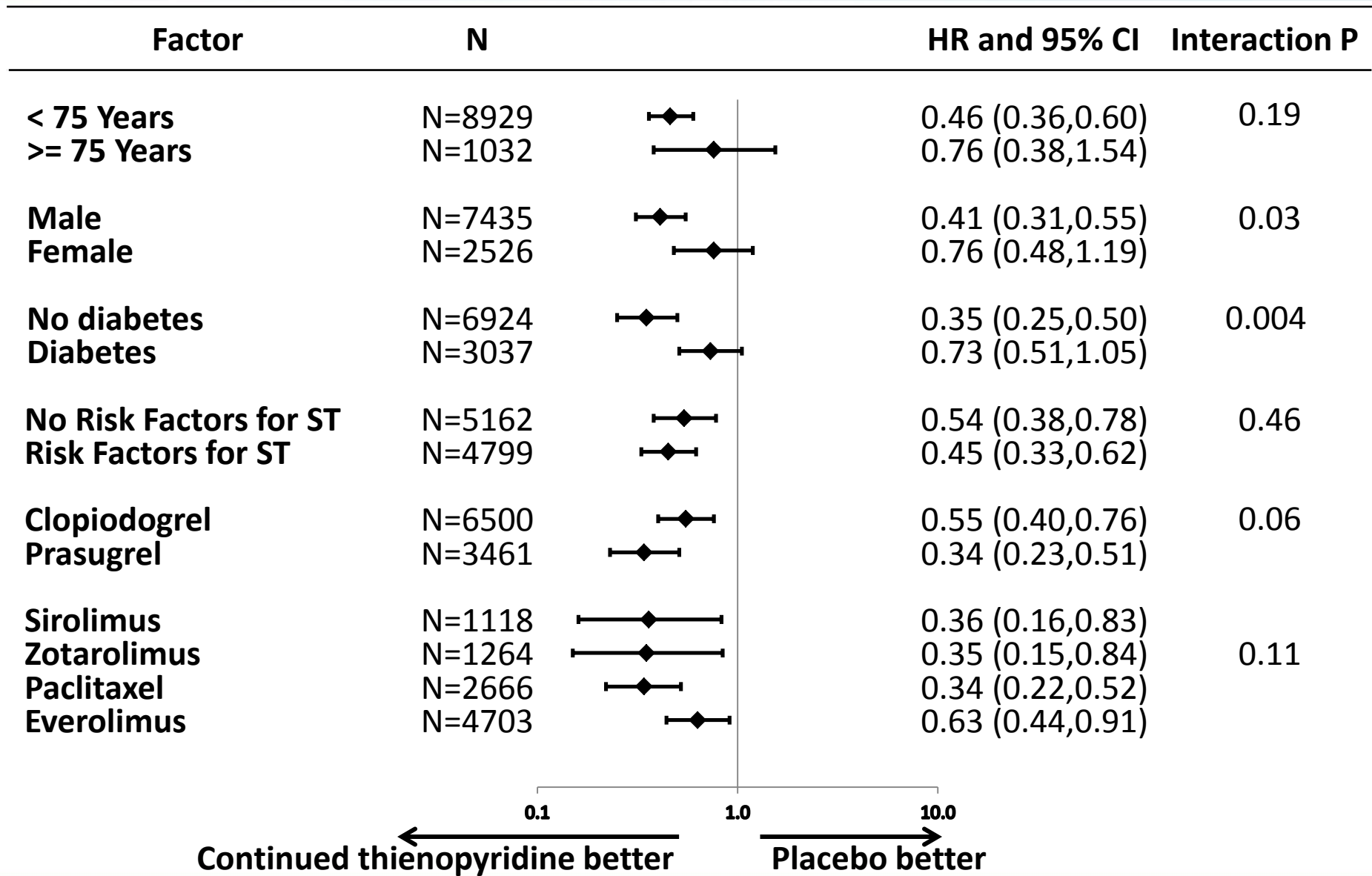
\*due to zero events in thienopyridine arm

# Consistency of Treatment Effect MACCE (12-30 Months)

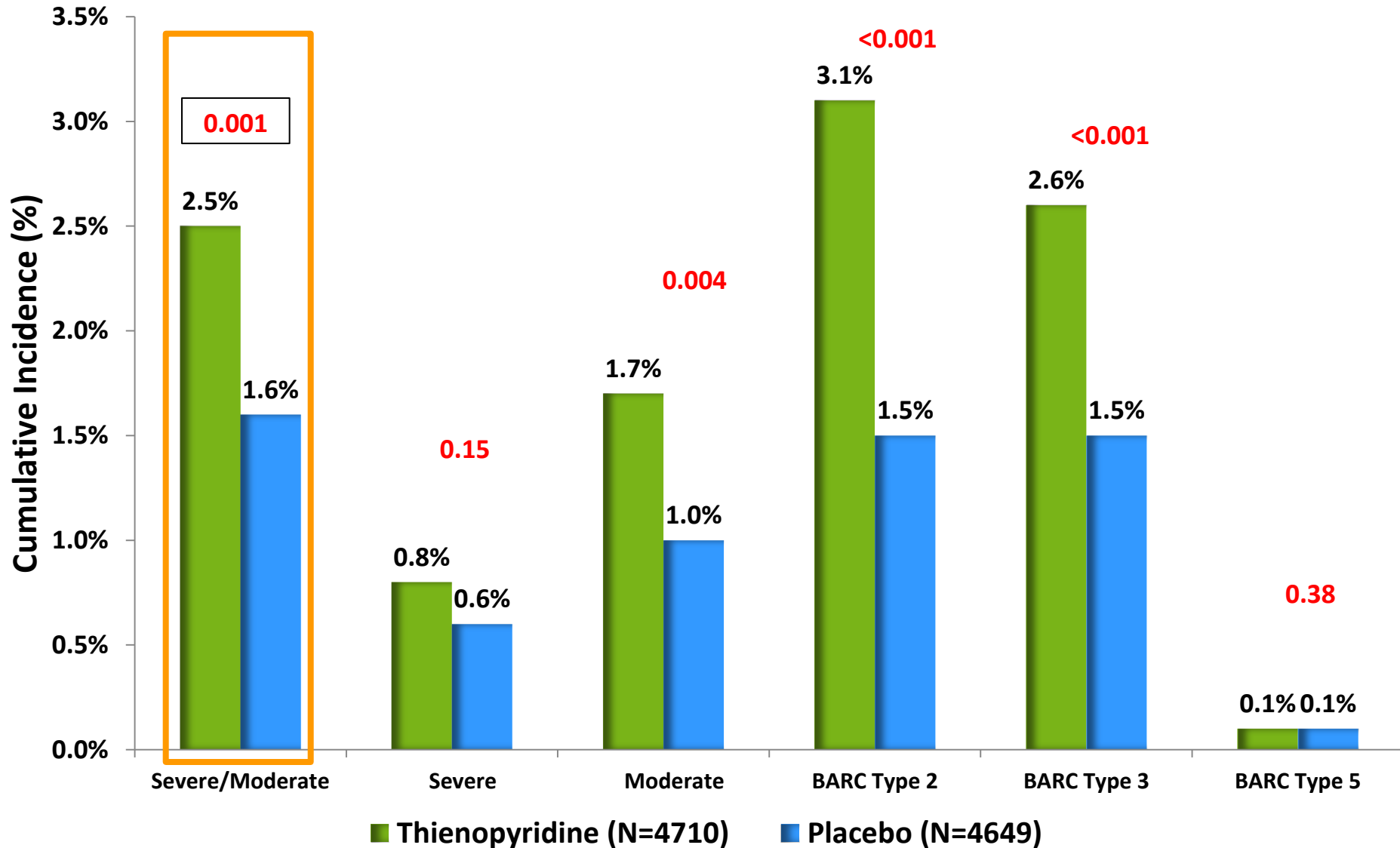


# Consistency of Treatment Effect

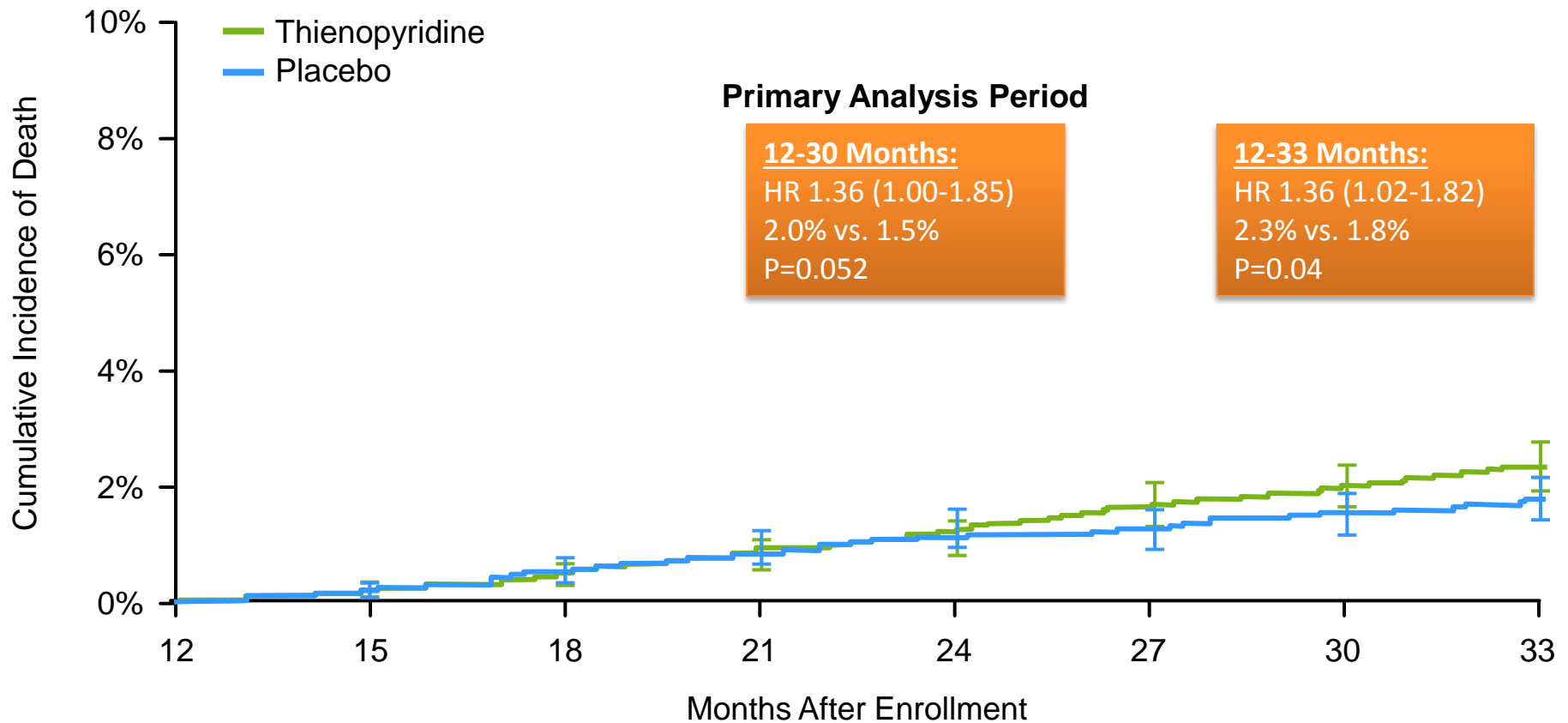
## Myocardial Infarction (12-30 Months)



# Primary Safety End Point & Components: 12-30 Months



# All-Cause Mortality



# At Risk

Thienopyridine	5020	4936	4875	4835	4777	4703	4663	3139
Placebo	4941	4866	4805	4761	4700	4659	4618	3159



# All-Cause Mortality

12-30 Months				
	Thienopyridine N=5020	Placebo N=4941	P-Value	Absolute Difference
<b>All-Cause Mortality</b>	<b>98 (2.0%)</b>	<b>74 (1.5%)</b>	<b>0.052</b>	<b>24 (0.5%)</b>
Cardiac	45 (0.9%)	47 (1.0%)	0.98	-2 (-0.1%)
Vascular	5 (0.1%)	5 (0.1%)	0.98	0 (-)
Non-Cardiovascular	48 (1.0%)	22 (0.5%)	0.002	26 (0.5%)

12-33 Months				
	Thienopyridine N=5020	Placebo N=4941	P-Value	Absolute Difference
<b>All-Cause Mortality</b>	<b>113 (2.3%)</b>	<b>84 (1.8%)</b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>29 (0.5%)</b>
Cardiac	54(1.1%)	49 (1.0%)	0.53	5 (0.1%)
Vascular	7 (0.1%)	6 (0.1%)	0.81	1 (-)
Non-Cardiovascular	52 (1.1%)	29 (0.6%)	0.01	23 (0.5%)

Cumulative incidence is presented according to Kaplan-Meier method

## **Additional Blinded Adjudication and Meta-Analysis**

# Additional Adjudication and Analysis

## Additional Adjudication Results, Non-Cardiovascular Deaths, 12-33 Months

	Thienopyridine N=5020	Placebo N=4941	P-value
Relatedness for Deaths*			
Bleeding-Related Death	11 (0.22%)	3 (0.06%)	0.057
Trauma-Related Death	9 (0.18%)	2 (0.04%)	0.07
Cancer-Related Death	31 (0.62%)	14 (0.28%)	0.02

\*not mutually exclusive

Nine (7 vs. 2) of the 11 trauma-related deaths were also bleeding-related.  
Three (3 vs. 0) of the 45 cancer-related deaths were also bleeding-related.

## Site-Reported Cancer Incidence, 12-33 Months

	Thienopyridine	Placebo	P-value
Cancer reported after randomization	102 (2.03%)	80 (1.62%)	0.14

# Cancer Prior to Enrollment and Randomization

Site-Reported Cancer			
	Thienopyridine	Placebo	P-value
History of cancer prior to enrollment	488 (9.8%)	466 (9.5%)	0.63

## Blinded adjudication results:

Among subjects who died of cancer, 9 were related to cancers known to be present **prior** to enrollment and randomization: 8 in the thienopyridine group, and 1 in the placebo group. Sensitivity analysis without these subjects is shown below:

	Thienopyridine N=5012	Placebo N=4940	P-value	All N=9952
Cancer Related Death	25 (0.50%)	14 (0.28%)	0.11	39 (0.39%)
Non-Cardiovascular Death	45 (0.90%)	28 (0.57%)	0.06	73 (0.73%)
All –Cause Mortality	105 (2.09%)	83 (1.68%)	0.14	188 (1.89%)

- Net impact of ischemic and bleeding events not quantified, yet decision analysis suggests that small absolute differences in cardiovascular event rates may be sufficient to counterbalance bleeding risks.<sup>1</sup>
- Whether the treatment benefits will be generalizable to other stent types or non-thienopyridine P2Y12 inhibitors is unknown.
- Thienopyridine and stent types not randomized: direct comparisons of different stent or drug types likely confounded. Within-subgroup estimates of treatment effect are underpowered.
- Non-cardiovascular death difference is of uncertain significance, possibly explained by chance imbalance among enrolled subjects, and was not expected based on prior data.

<sup>1</sup>Garg P, Galper BZ, Cohen DJ, Yeh RW, Mauri L. Balancing the Risks of Bleeding and Stent Thrombosis: A Decision Analytic Model to Compare Duration of Dual Antiplatelet Therapy after Drug-Eluting Stents. *Am Heart J* Published online November 10, 2014.

# Randomized Trials Thienopyridine+Aspirin vs. Aspirin Alone (N=69644)



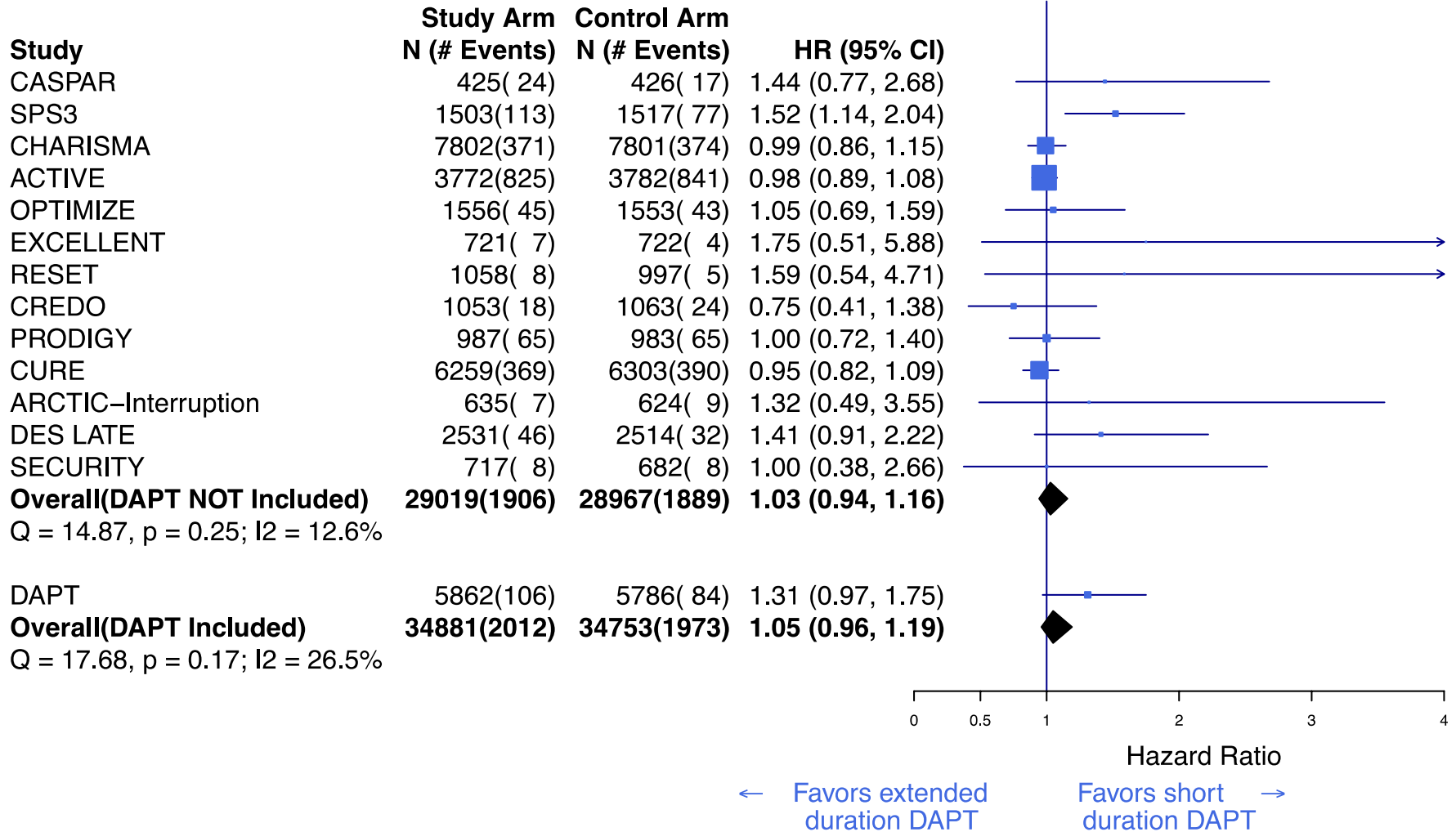
Study Name	Clinical Setting	Randomized Treatment Arms	Sample Size			On-Treatment Follow-Up Duration (Months)	Difference in DAPT Duration (Months)
			Total	Study Arm	Control Arm		
<b>CASPAR</b>	Surgical Peripheral Revascularization	DAPT 6-24 mos vs. ASA alone	851	425	426	24	11.6**
<b>SPS3</b>	Lacunar stroke	DAPT vs. ASA alone	3020	1503	1517	40.8*	40.8*
<b>CHARISMA</b>	Documented or high-risk for CVD	DAPT vs. ASA	15603	7802	7801	28**	28**
<b>ACTIVE-A</b>	Atrial fibrillation	DAPT vs. ASA	7554	3772	3782	43.2**	43.2**
<b>OPTIMIZE</b>	CAD - PCI	DAPT 12 mos vs. DAPT 3 mos	3119	1556	1553	12	9
<b>EXCELLENT</b>	CAD - PCI	DAPT 12 mos vs. DAPT 6 mos	1443	721	722	12	6
<b>RESET</b>	CAD - PCI	DAPT 12 mos vs. DAPT 3 mos	2055	1058	997	12	9
<b>CREDO</b>	CAD - PCI	DAPT 12 mos vs. DAPT 1 mos	2116	1053	1063	12	11
<b>PRODIGY</b>	CAD - PCI	DAPT 24 mos vs. DAPT 6 mos	1970	987	983	24	18
<b>CURE</b>	CAD - ACS	DAPT vs. ASA	12562	6259	6303	12	9**
<b>ARCTIC-Interruption</b>	CAD - 1 yr post-PCI	Continued DAPT vs ASA	1259	635	624	17**	17**
<b>DES LATE</b>	CAD - ≥1 yr post-PCI	Continued DAPT vs. ASA	5045	2531	2514	42.0**	42.0**
<b>SECURITY</b>	CAD - PCI	DAPT 12 mos vs. DAPT 6 mos	1399	717	682	12	6
<b>DAPT</b>	CAD - 1 yr post-PCI	Continued DAPT 18 mos vs. ASA	11648	5862	5786	18	18

\* Mean \*\* Median

ACS, acute coronary syndrome; ASA, aspirin; CVD, cardiovascular disease; DAPT, dual antiplatelet therapy; mos, months; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention; yr, year

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# Randomized Trials of Thienopyridine+Aspirin vs. Aspirin Alone; All-Cause Mortality



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- Following drug-eluting stent treatment, continuation of thienopyridine plus aspirin beyond one year reduces the risk of stent thrombosis and MACCE compared with aspirin alone.
  - This treatment benefit was driven by concurrent reductions in myocardial infarction related to the stent and occurring in other locations.
  - The treatment benefit on ST and MI was consistent across all stent and drug types and across subjects with higher or lower risk of events.
- The benefit of extended thienopyridine treatment was tempered by an increase in bleeding events. Severe and/or fatal bleeding was uncommon.



# Conclusions (2)

- An unexpected finding was that all-cause mortality during the treatment period was higher in the continued thienopyridine group, driven by an increase in non-cardiovascular deaths. This finding, not entirely accounted for by bleeding, appeared to reflect a chance imbalance in subjects with known cancer prior to enrollment who were subsequently randomized.
- Meta-analysis of >69,000 subjects in randomized trials does not show a difference in mortality or non-cardiovascular mortality.
- Continued thienopyridine therapy markedly reduces both stent-related and other ischemic events beyond the stent-treated region in patients who have tolerated one year of DAPT after drug-eluting coronary stent treatment.

## **Additional results to be presented Tuesday**

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**November 18, 2014 4:51 – 5:01 pm, S100ab**

### **“Comparison of Ischemic and Bleeding Events After Drug-Eluting Stents or Bare Metal Stents: Results from the DAPT Study”**

- DES non-inferior to BMS on ST and MACCE (over 0-33m follow up) and superior on ST in prospective propensity-matched analysis of 10,026 subjects
- Results in BMS-treated subjects randomized to continued thienopyridine vs placebo (N=1,687) are consistent with DES results on ST (HR 0.49, respectively) and bleeding.
- Randomized BMS-treated cohort did not demonstrate a difference in mortality for continued thienopyridine vs. placebo.

Thank you to the patients and investigators who made this study possible.



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