



# ALBATROSS



**A**ldosterone **L**ethal effects **B**lockade in **A**cute myocardial infarction **T**reated with or without **R**eperfusion to improve **O**utcome and **S**urvival at **S**ix months follow-up

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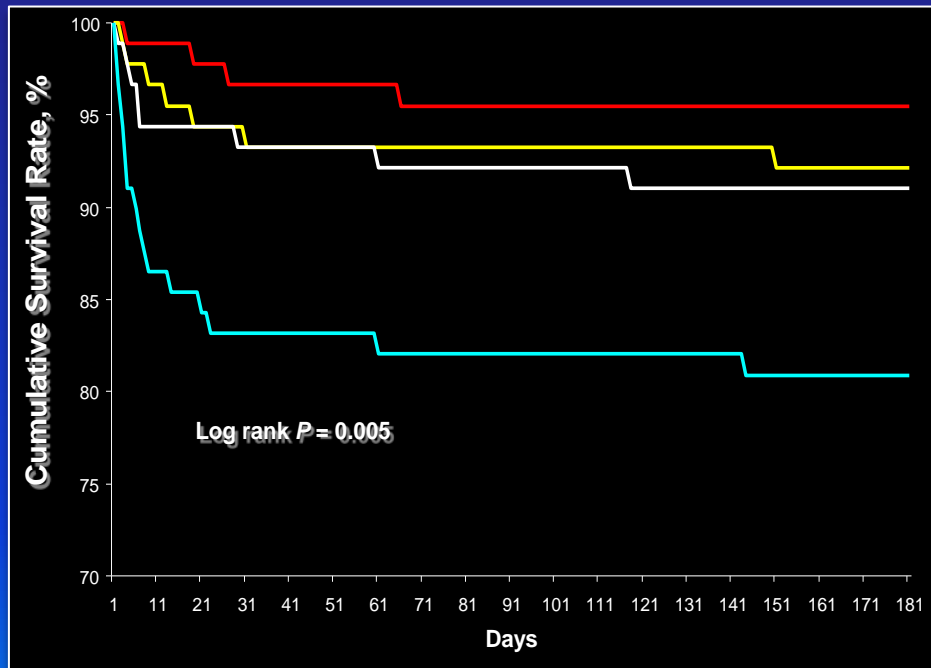
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# Aldosterone levels and death in AMI

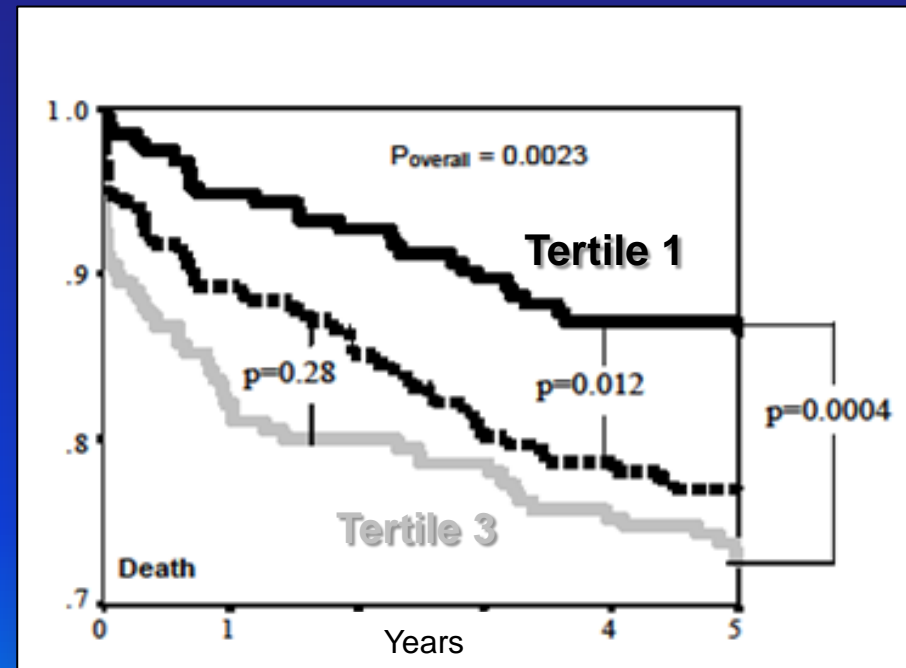


Death according to quartiles of aldosterone in STEMI



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Death according to tertiles of aldosterone in MI



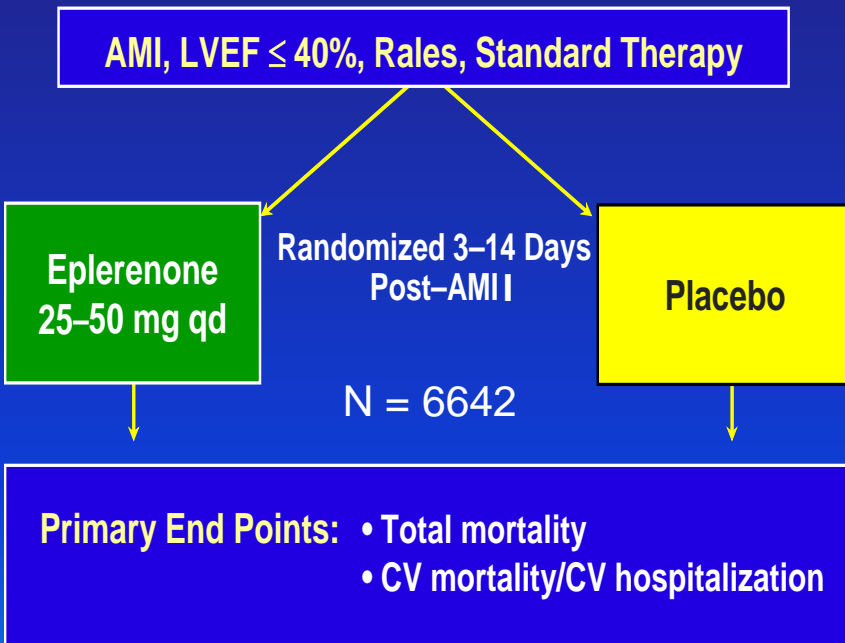
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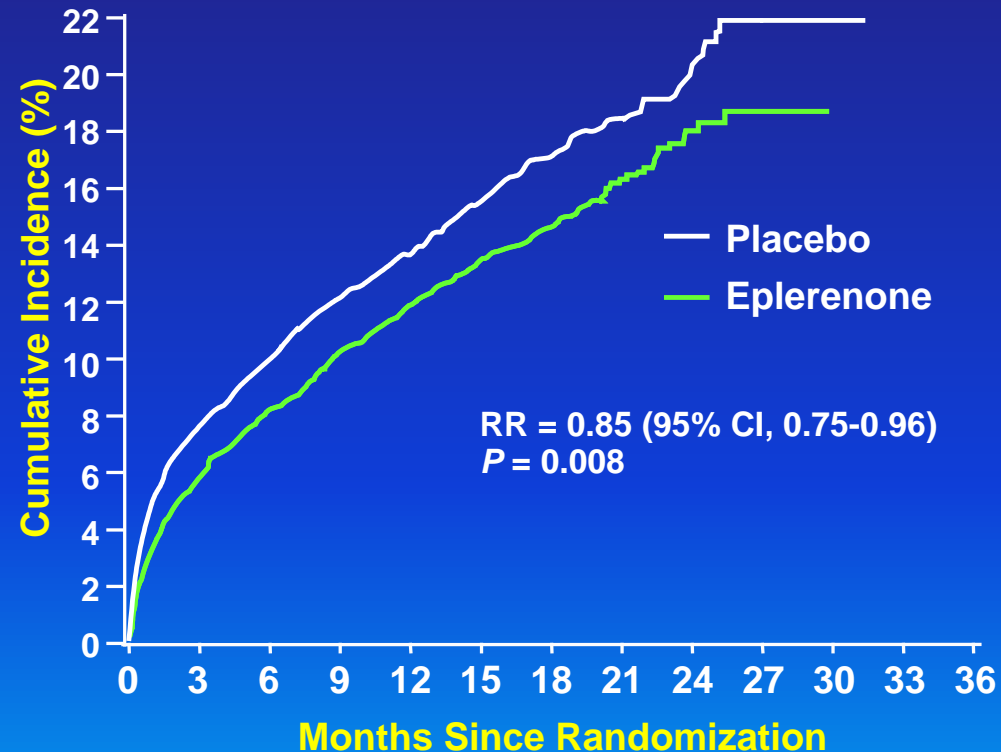
# EPHESUS : Post-MI heart failure



## Design



## Mortality





# ALBATROSS study design



**AMI (ST+ or ST-) in the first 72hrs**

**Aldosterone blockade**

**iv K<sup>+</sup> canrenoate\***

\* Soludactone 200mg

*then*

**spironolactone\*\***

\*\* Aldactone 25mg od

Randomized  
Open label

N=1600

**control**

**1° End Point: death, resuscitated cardiac death,  
VF/VT, indication for defibrillator, heart failure  
*up to 6-month FU***



# Baseline characteristics

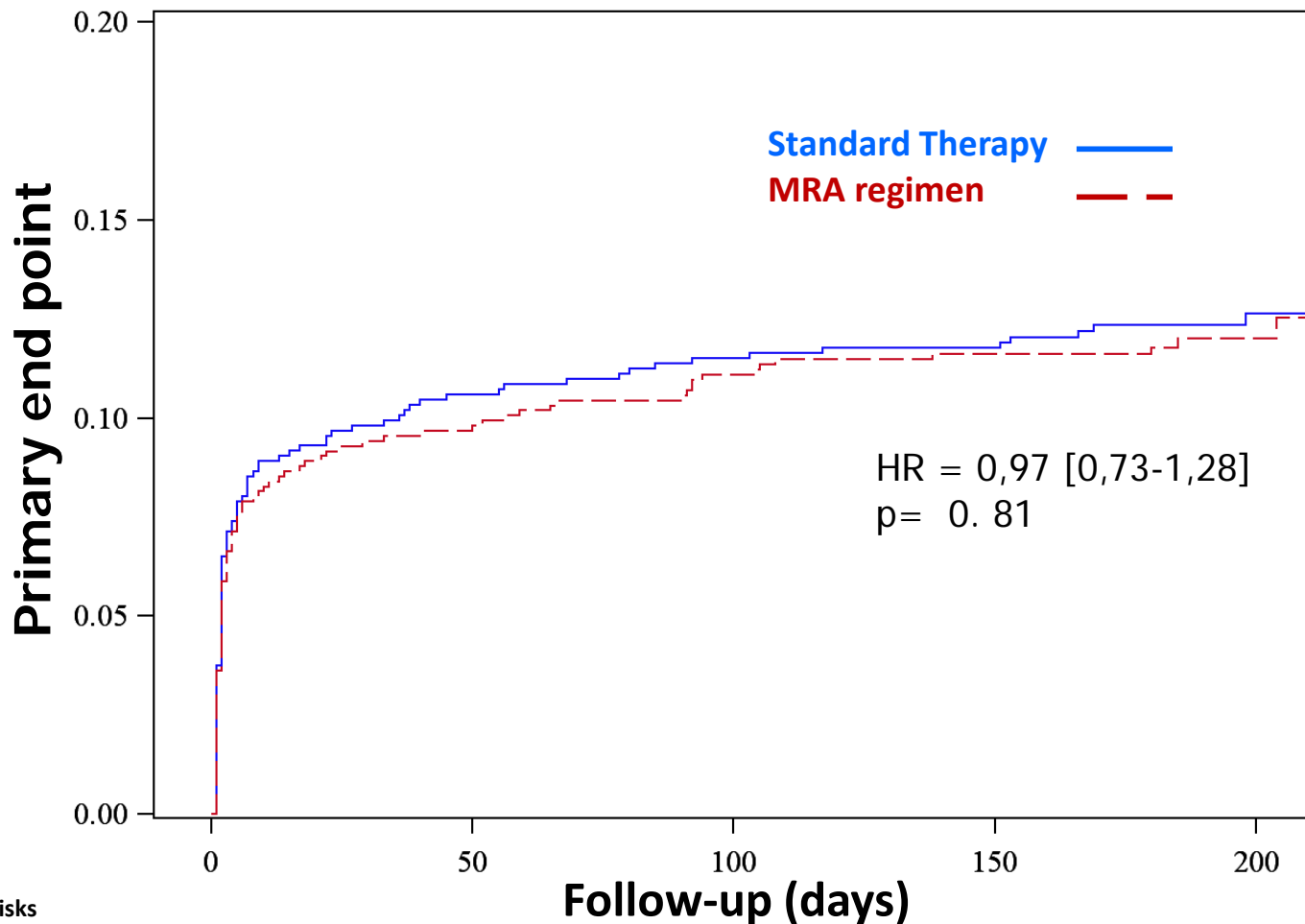


	Standard treatment (N=801)	MRA regimen (N=802)
Age (median)	58	58
Current smoking (%)	52	47
Diabetes (%)	16	16
Hypertension (%)	44	42
Dyslipidemia (%)	46	47
Prior MI (%)	9	8
Prior HF (%)	1	1
STEMI (n)	617	612
NSTEMI (n)	183	186
Killip I (%)	91	93
PCI (%)	81	82
LV ejection fraction (median in %)	50	50



# Primary End Point

Death, resuscitated death, VF/VT, indication for ICD or heart failure



N at risks

Standard Therapy	801	687	669	645	273
MRA Regimen	802	705	683	660	183



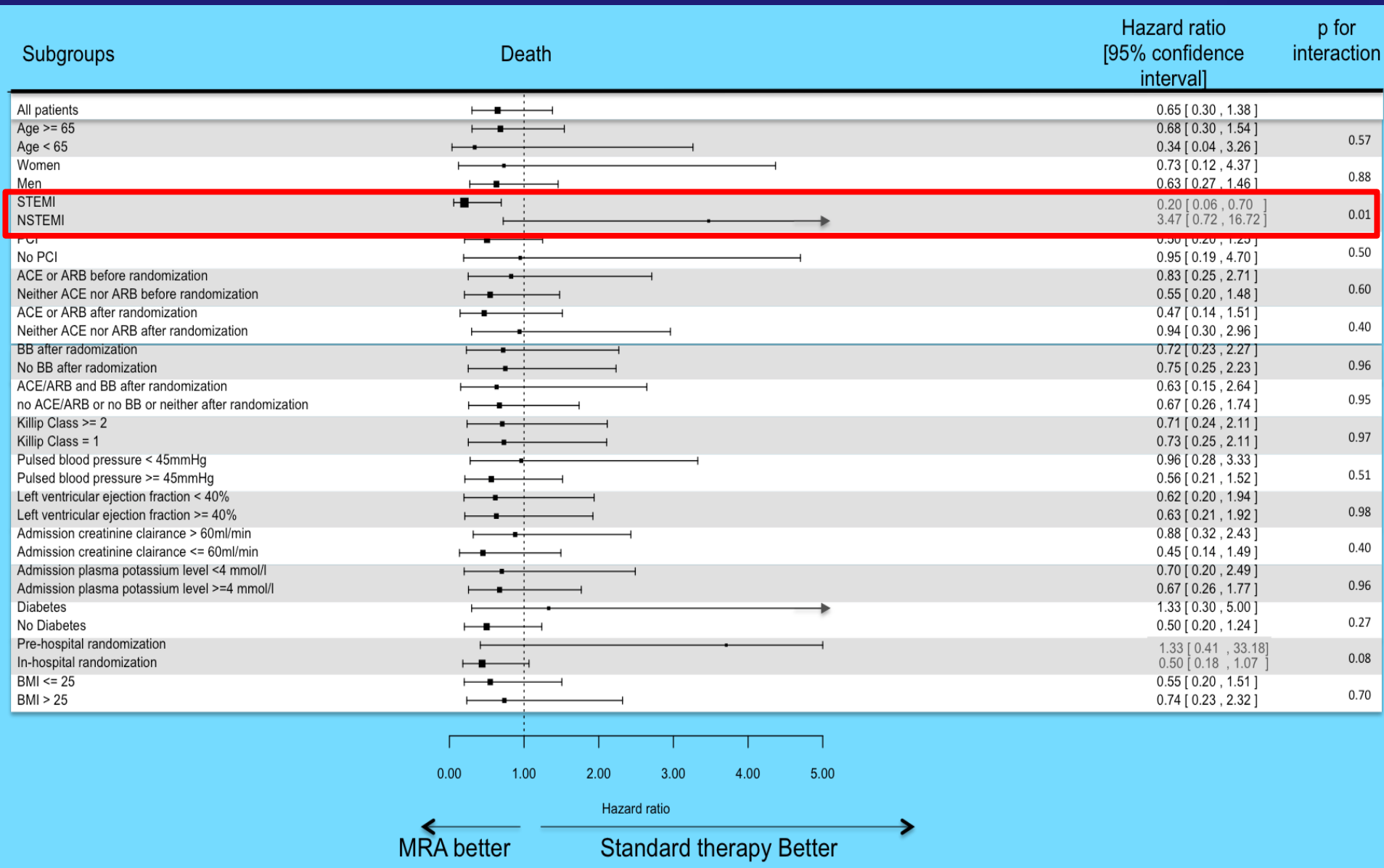
## Secondary End Points



	Standard therapy (n=801)	MRA regimen (n=802)	P value
Significant ventricular arrhythmia (%)	6	5.6	0.75
New or worsening heart failure (%)	5.6	5.9	0.85
Recurrent myocardial infarction (%)	1	0.6	0.39
Death or resuscitated cardiac arrest (%)	2.4	1.6	0.28
<b>Hyperkalemia &gt; 5.5mmol.L<sup>-1</sup> (%)</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>

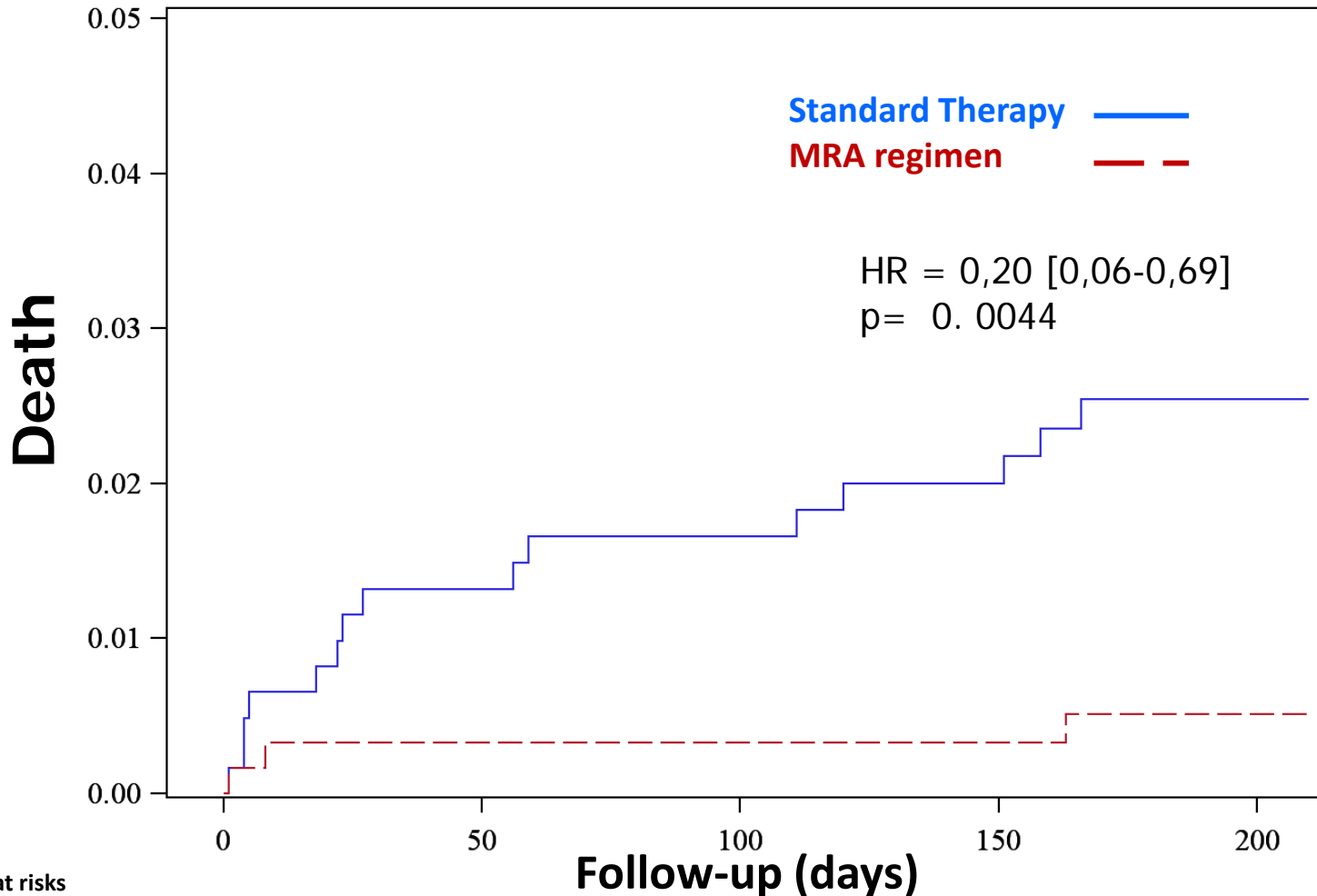


# Death in pre-specified subgroups





# Death in STEMI patients (n=1229)



N at risks

Standard Therapy	617	587	579	556	236
MRA Regimen	612	595	587	571	162



1. Despite a strong pre-clinical rationale and favorable clinical data from registries and small randomized studies, the ALBATROSS trial failed to show a benefit of aldosterone blockade initiated early in MI, when heart failure is in general not present
2. The ALBATROSS study highlights the relative safety of the aldosterone blockade used in the study
3. Our finding of a mortality reduction associated with early aldosterone blockade in STEMI patients needs confirmation in future studies specifically dedicated to these patients
4. Meanwhile, the results of the ALBATROSS study do not warrant the extension of aldosterone blockade to MI patients without heart failure.