

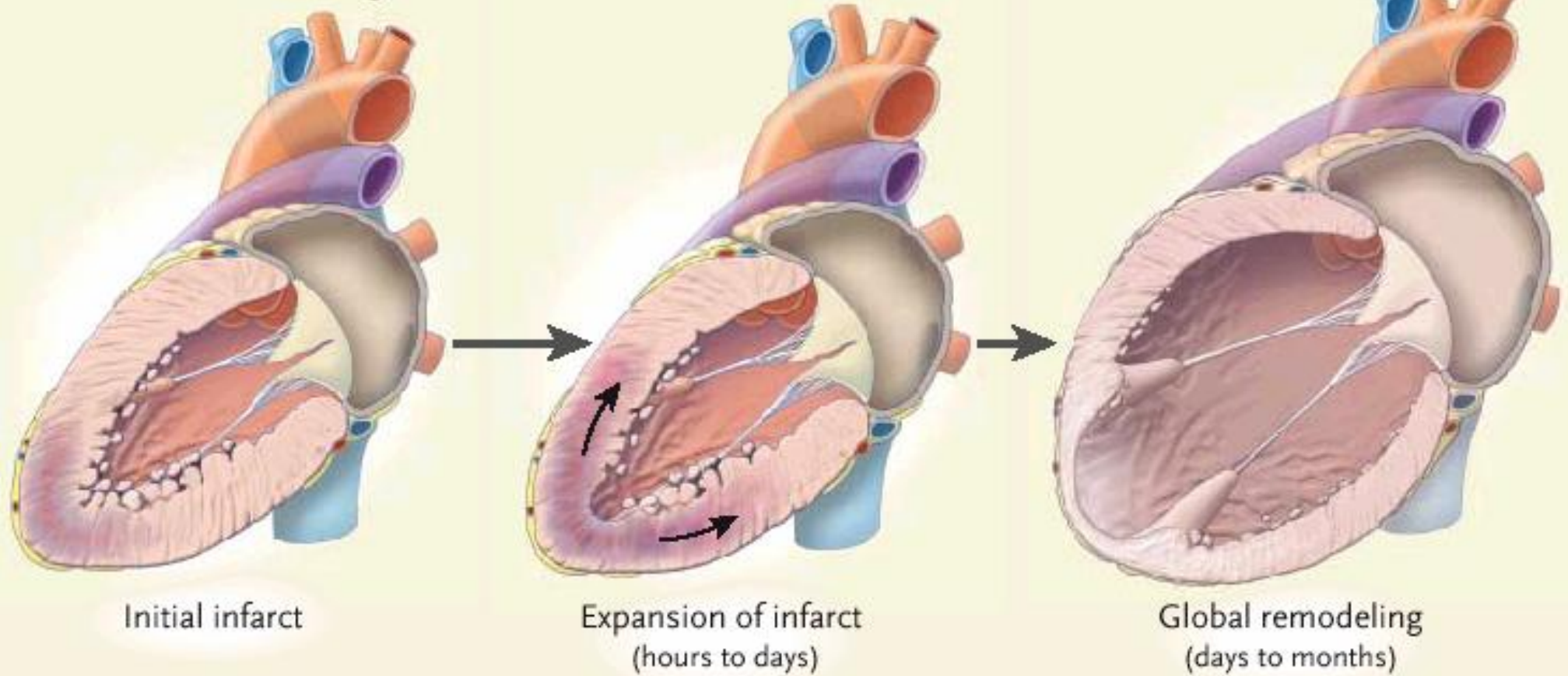
# **Ποιά η Θέση των Αποκλειστών ΑΤ1 στη Θεραπεία της Καρδιακής Ανεπάρκειας**

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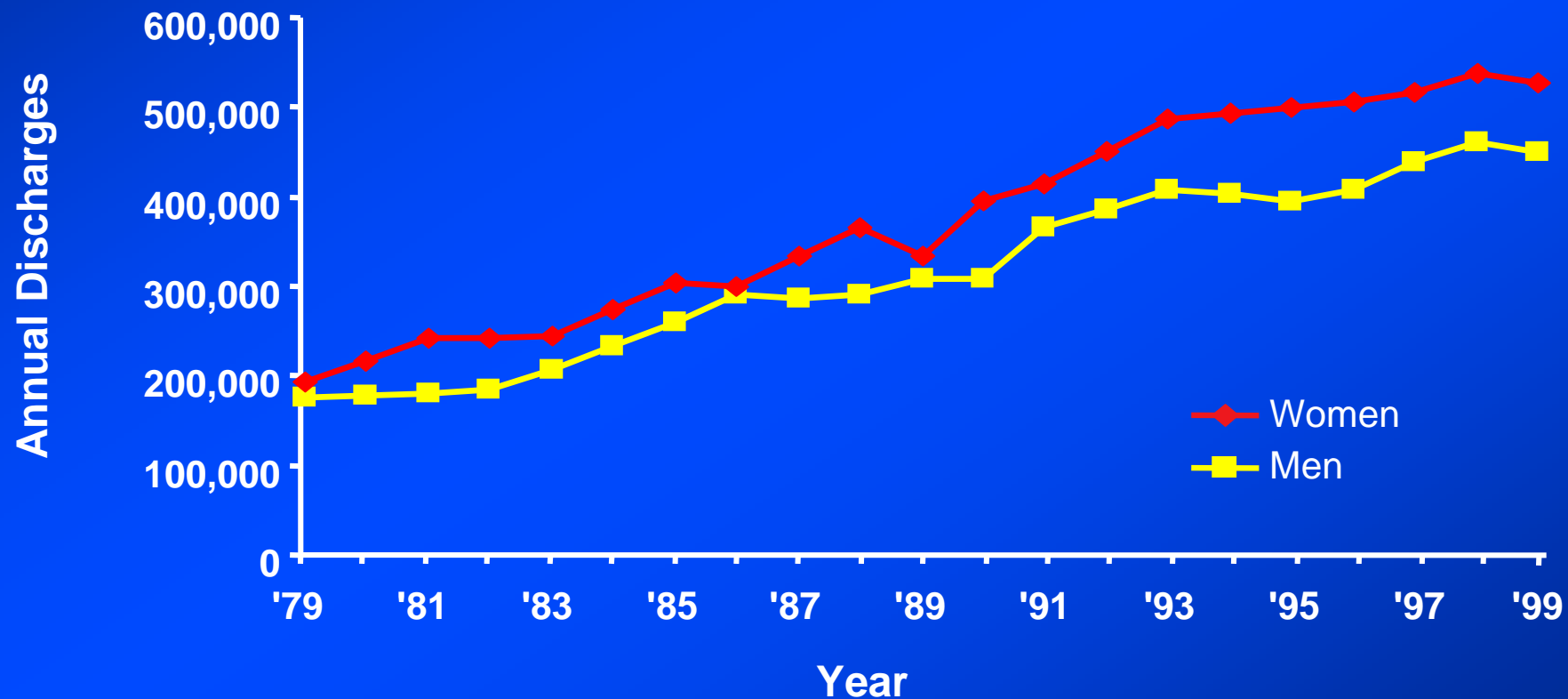
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## Ventricular remodeling after acute infarction



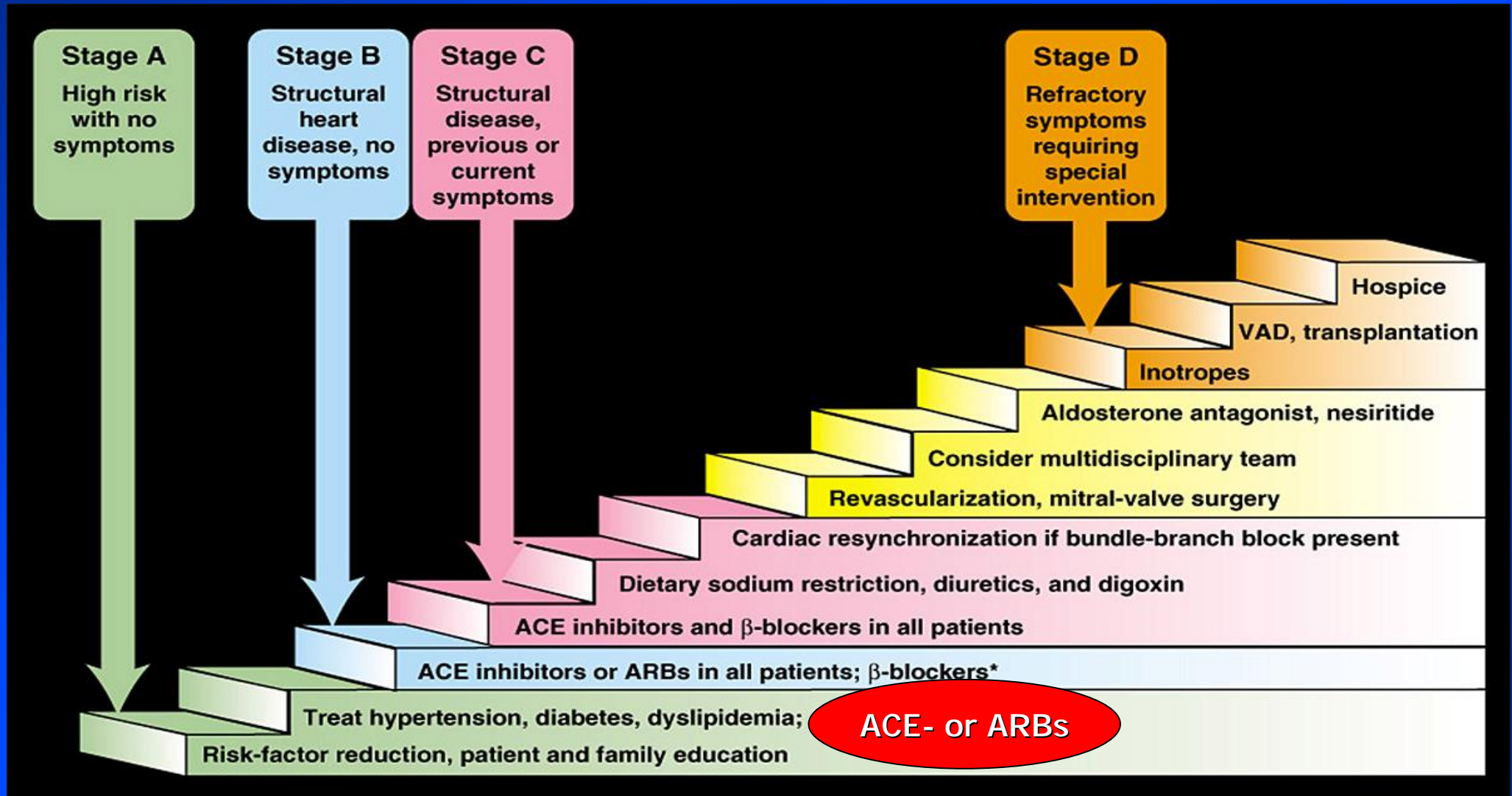
# Heart Failure Hospitalizations

The Number of Heart Failure Hospitalizations Is Increasing in Both Men and Women

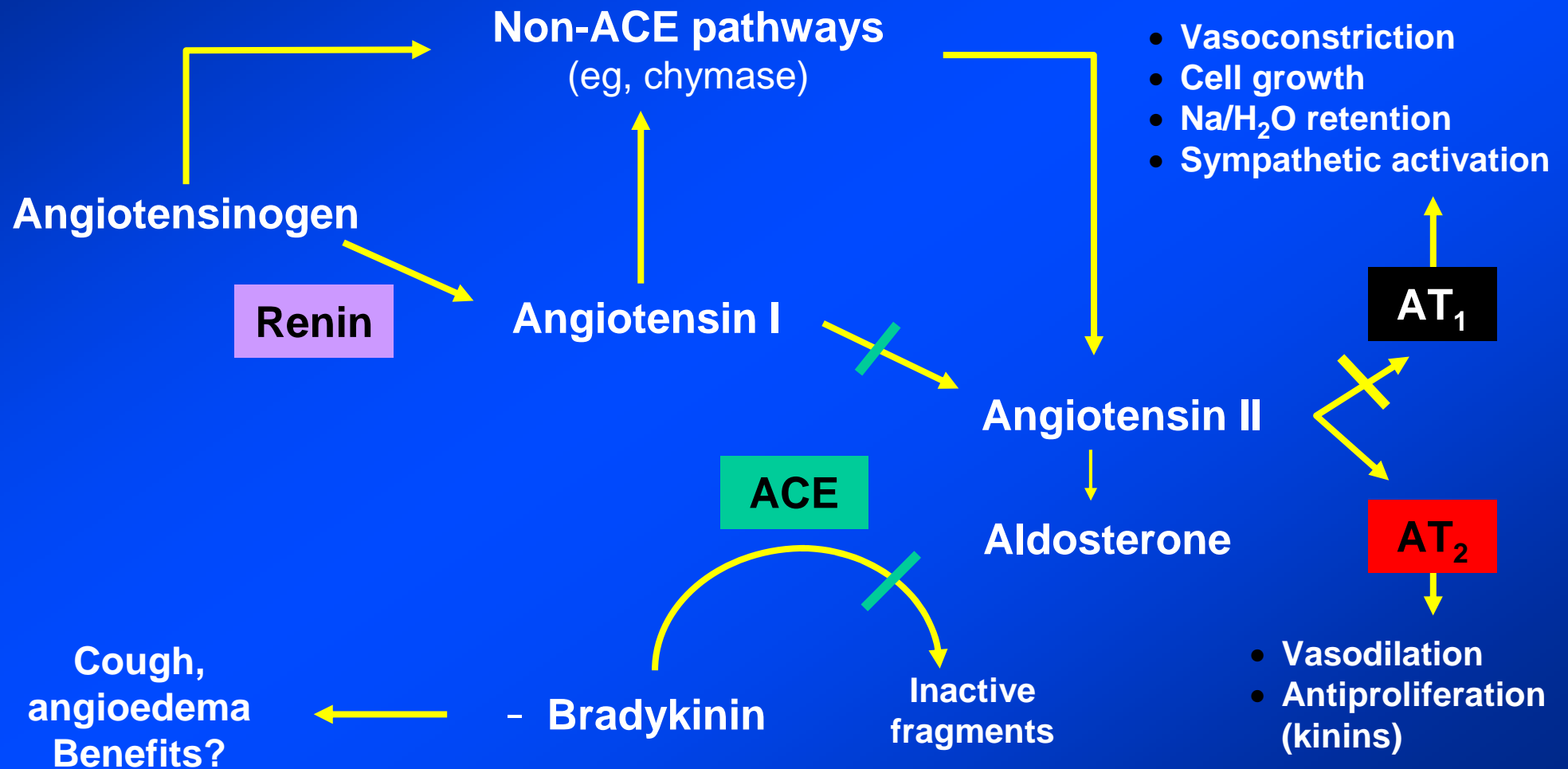


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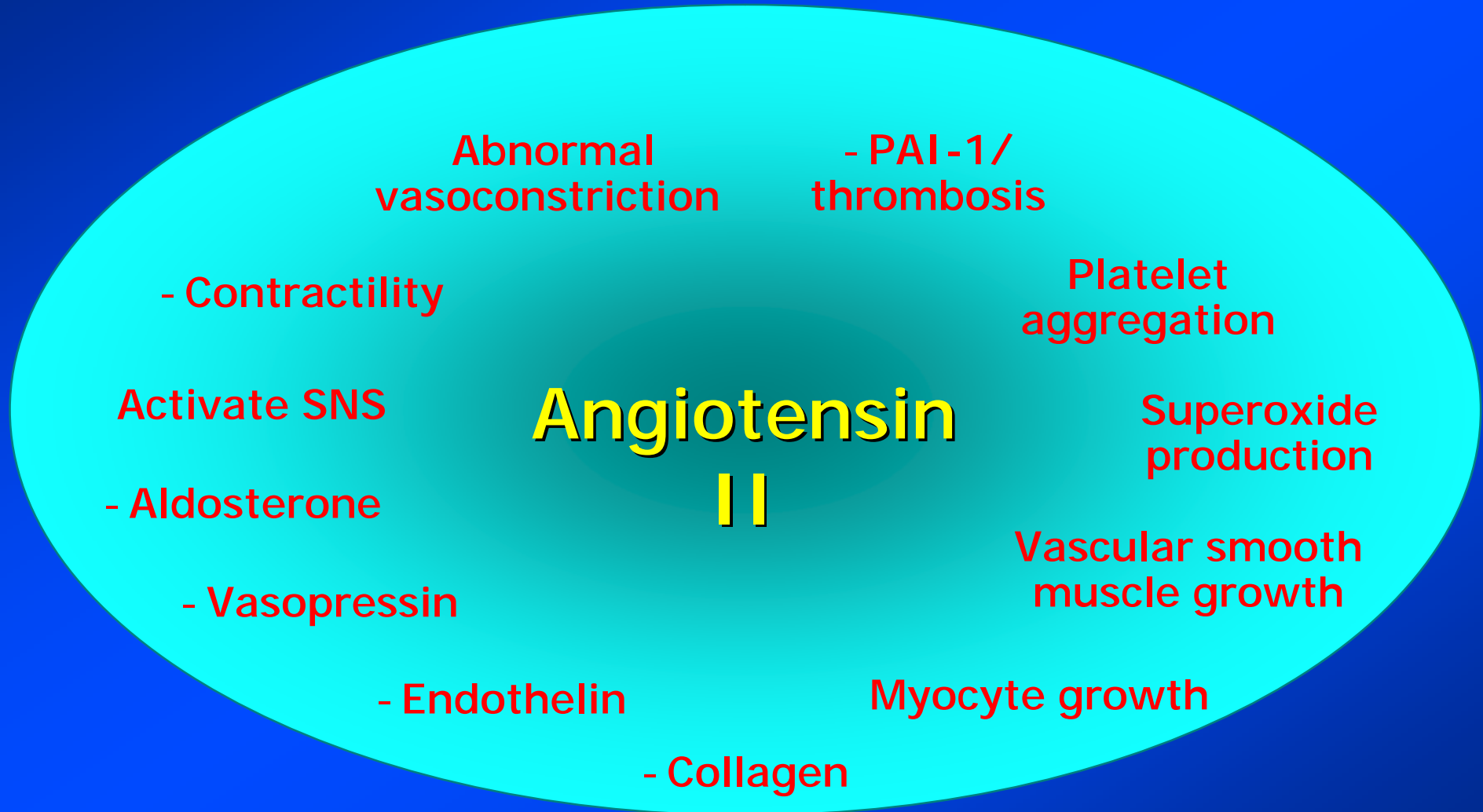
# ACC/AHA Stages of Systolic HF and Treatment Options



# Renin-Angiotensin Aldosterone System

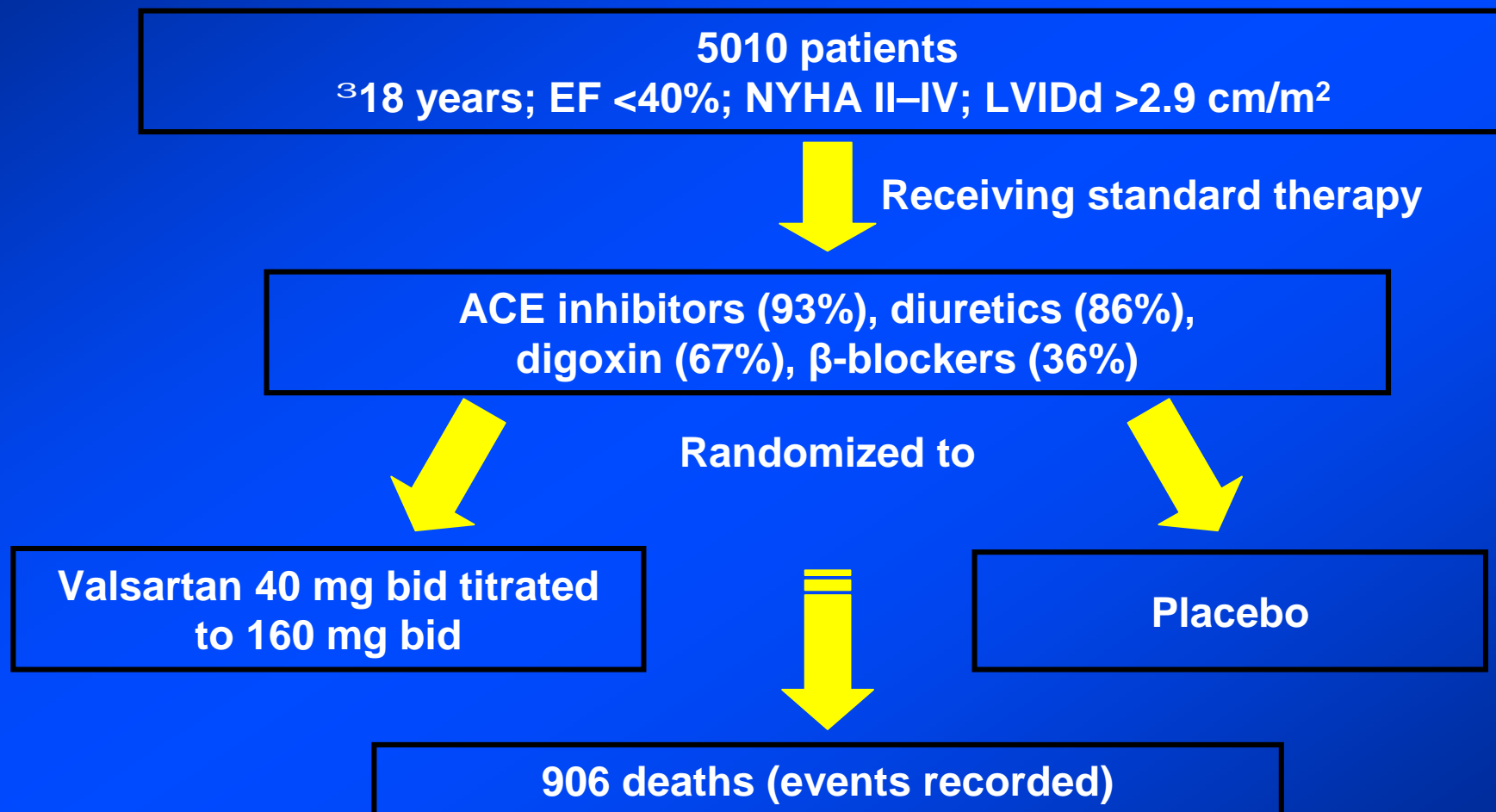


# Pathophysiologic Effects of Angiotensin II



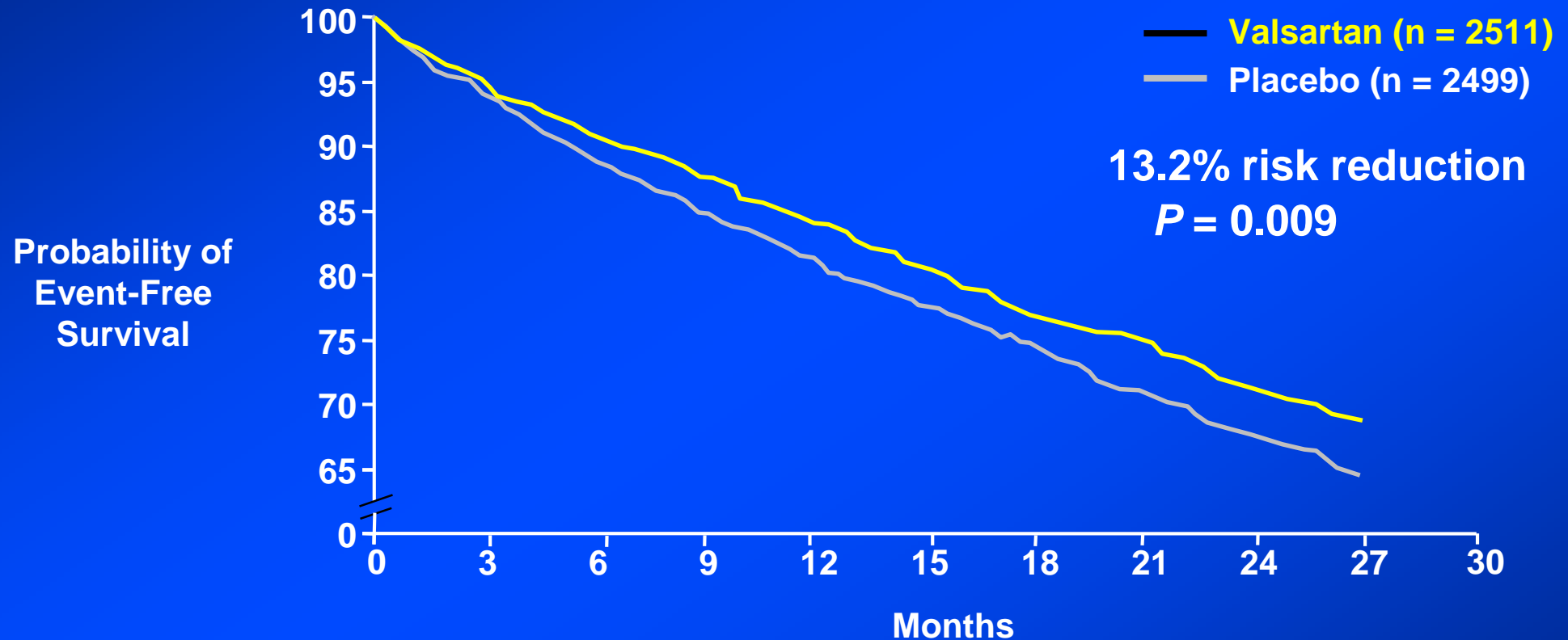
*Burnier M, Brunner HR. Lancet. 2000;355:637–645.*

# Val-HeFT : *Valsartan + ACE-I in HF: Valsartan Heart Failure Trial*



EJ = ejection fraction; LVIDd = left ventricular internal diastolic diameter.  
Cohn JN et al. *Eur J Heart Fail.* 2000;2:439-446.

# Effect of Valsartan on Combined Mortality and Morbidity End Point\* in Overall Population



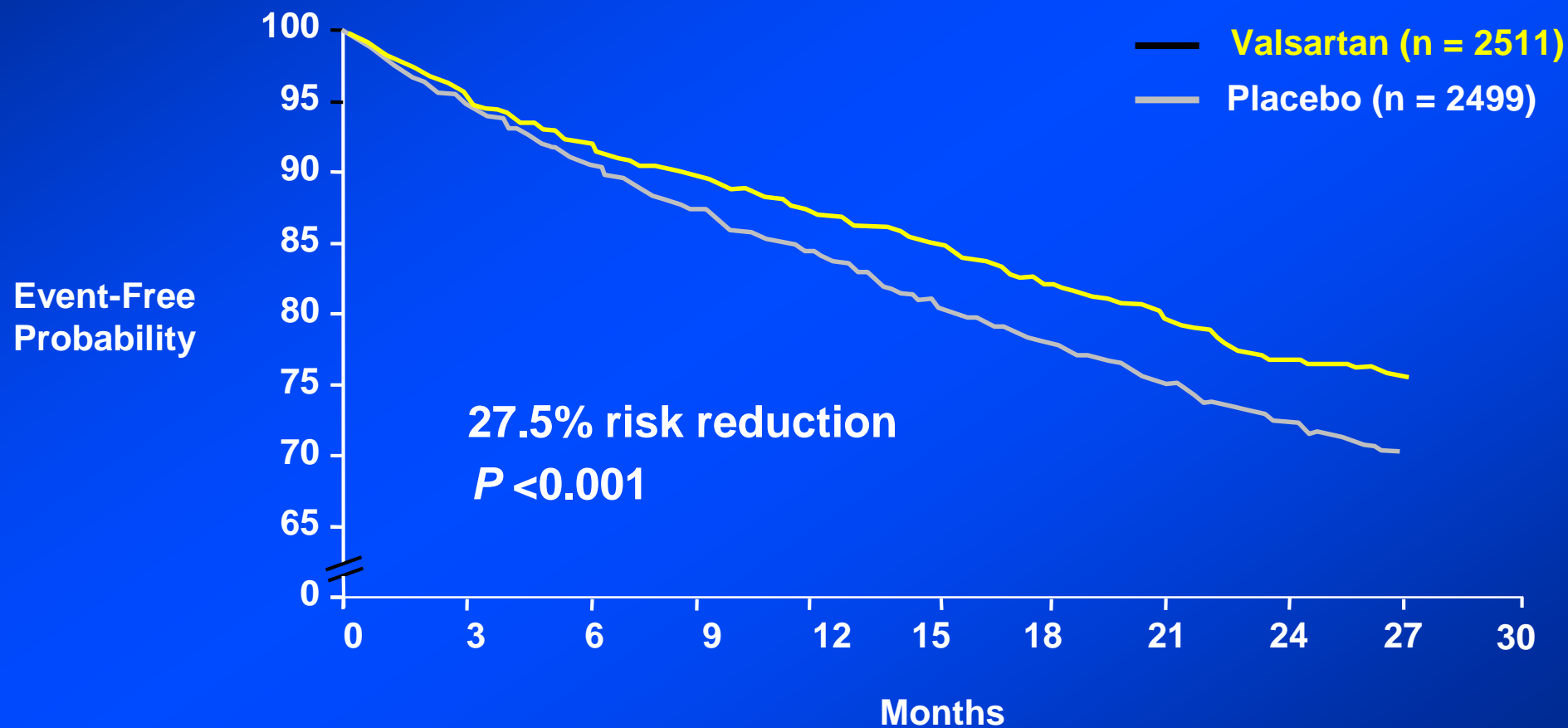
Valsartan significantly reduces the combined endpoint of mortality and morbidity and improves clinical signs and symptoms in patients with heart failure, when added to prescribed therapy.

\*All-cause mortality, sudden death with resuscitation, hospitalization for worsening heart failure, or therapy with IV inotropes or vasodilators.

Cohn JN et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2001;345:1667-1675.



# Val-HeFT: Heart Failure-Related Hospitalizations\*

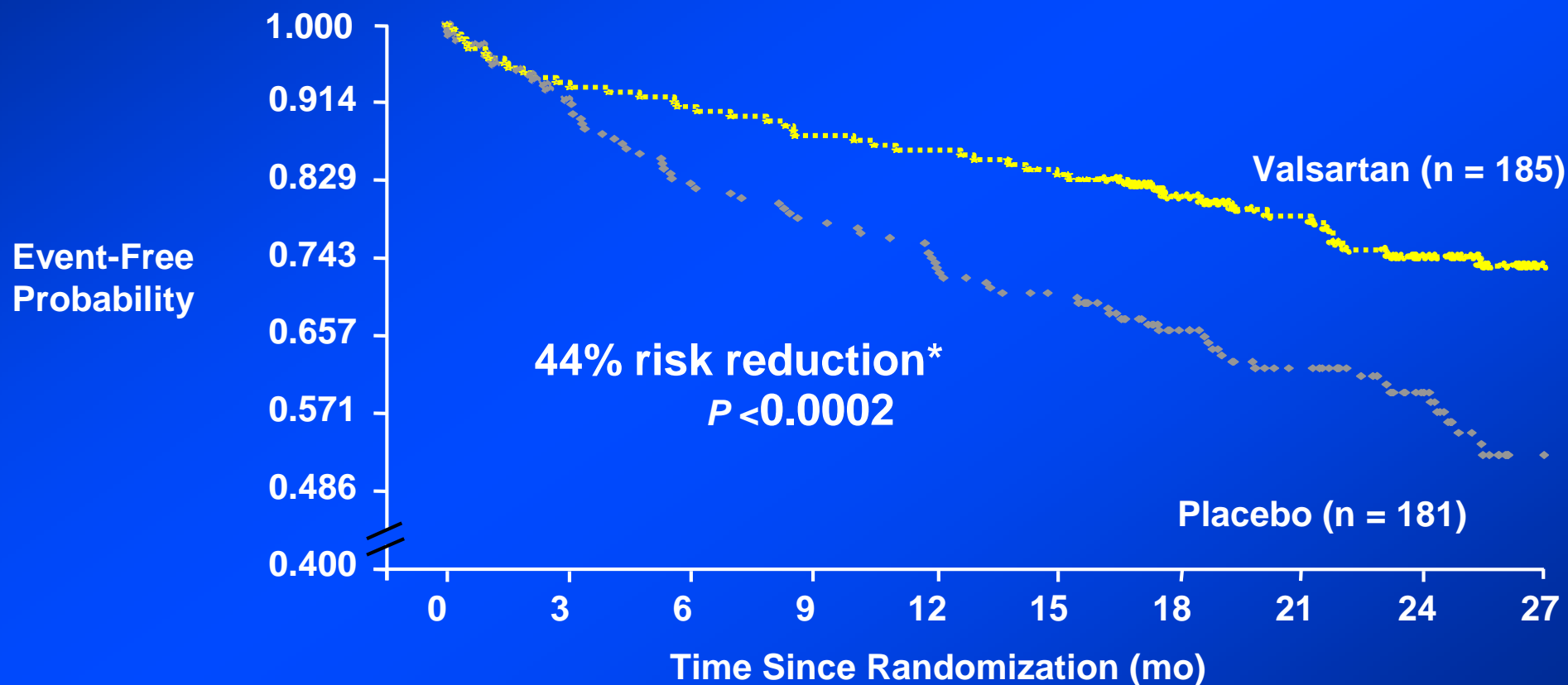


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# Val-HeFT: Combined Morbidity and Mortality End Point

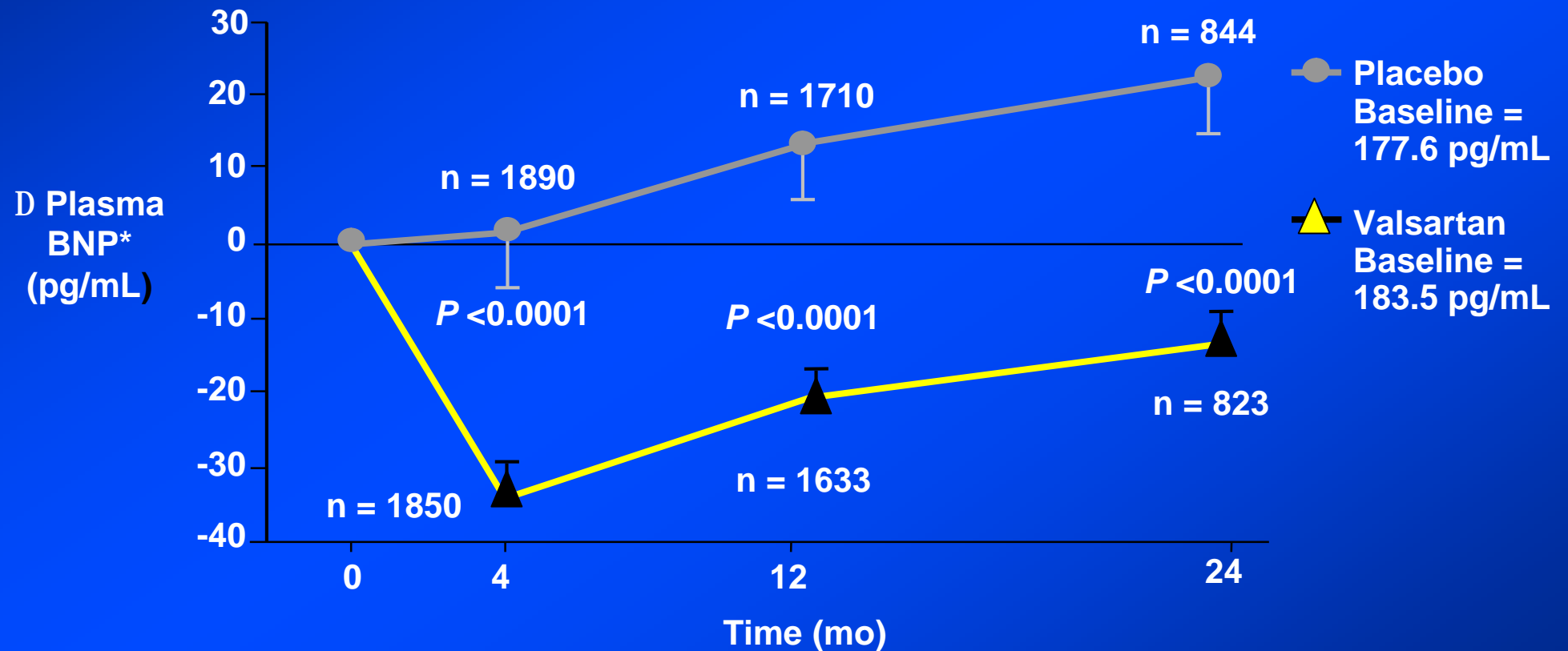
Subgroup without ACE-I background therapy



\*For morbidity; 34% RR for mortality.

Adapted from Maggioni AP et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2002;40:1414-1421.

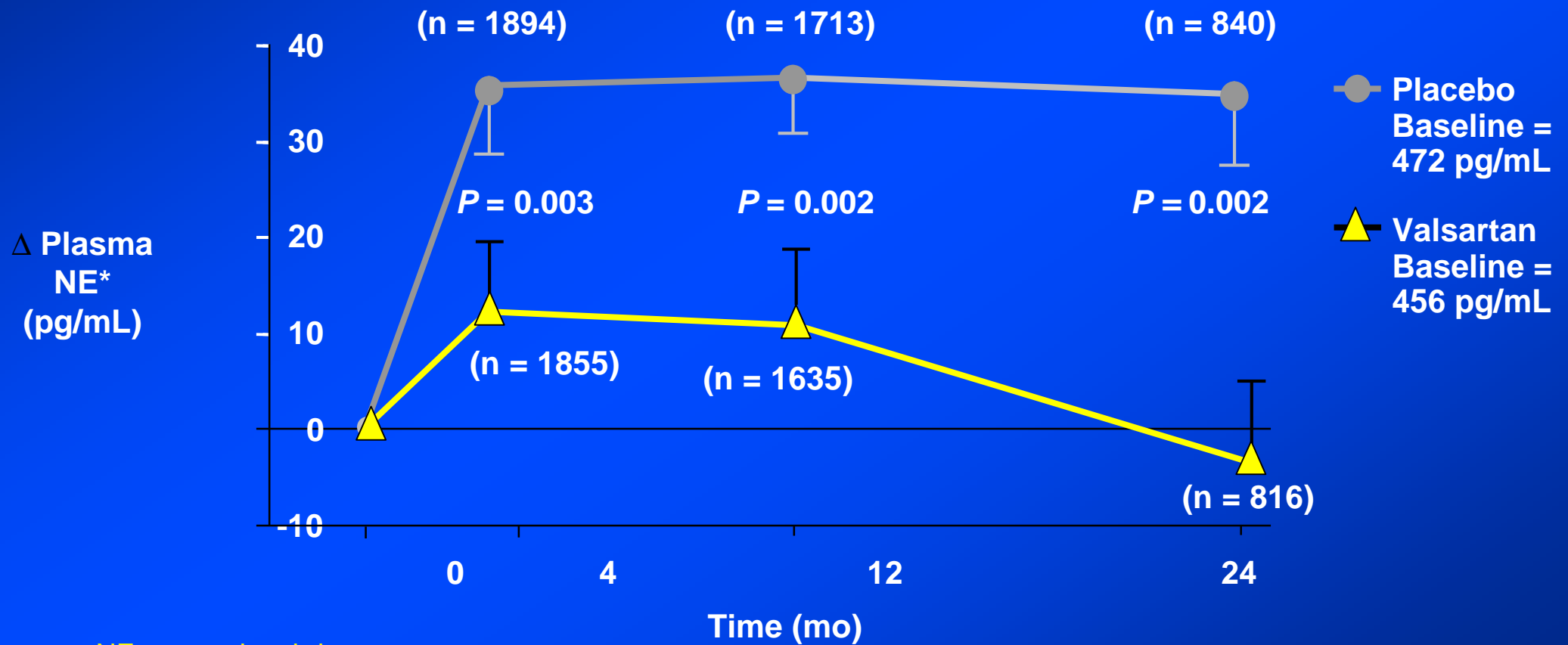
# Val-HeFT: Change in Plasma Brain Natriuretic Peptide Over Time



\*R et Mean  $\pm$  SEM.

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# Val-HeFT: Neurohormones – Change in Plasma NE Over Time

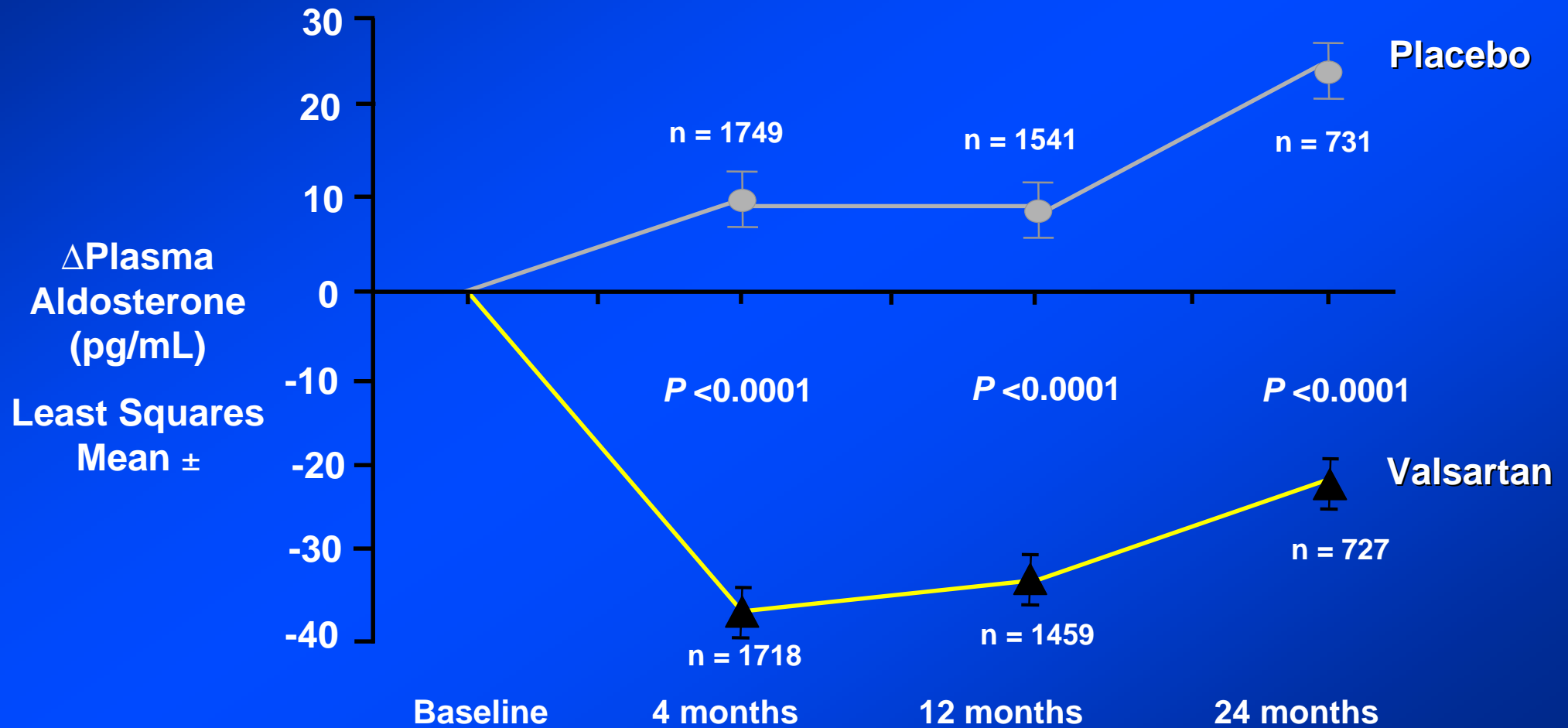


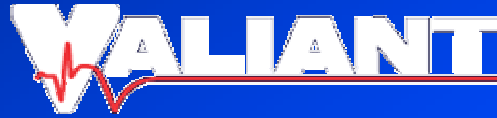
NE = norepinephrine.

\*Mean ± SEM.

Latini R et al. *Circulation*. 2002;106:2454-2458.

# Val-HeFT: Change From Baseline in Plasma Aldosterone





Acute MI (0.5–10 days)—SAVE, AIRE or TRACE eligible  
(either clinical/radiologic signs of HF or LV systolic dysfunction)

double-blind active-controlled

Captopril 50 mg tid  
(n = 4909)

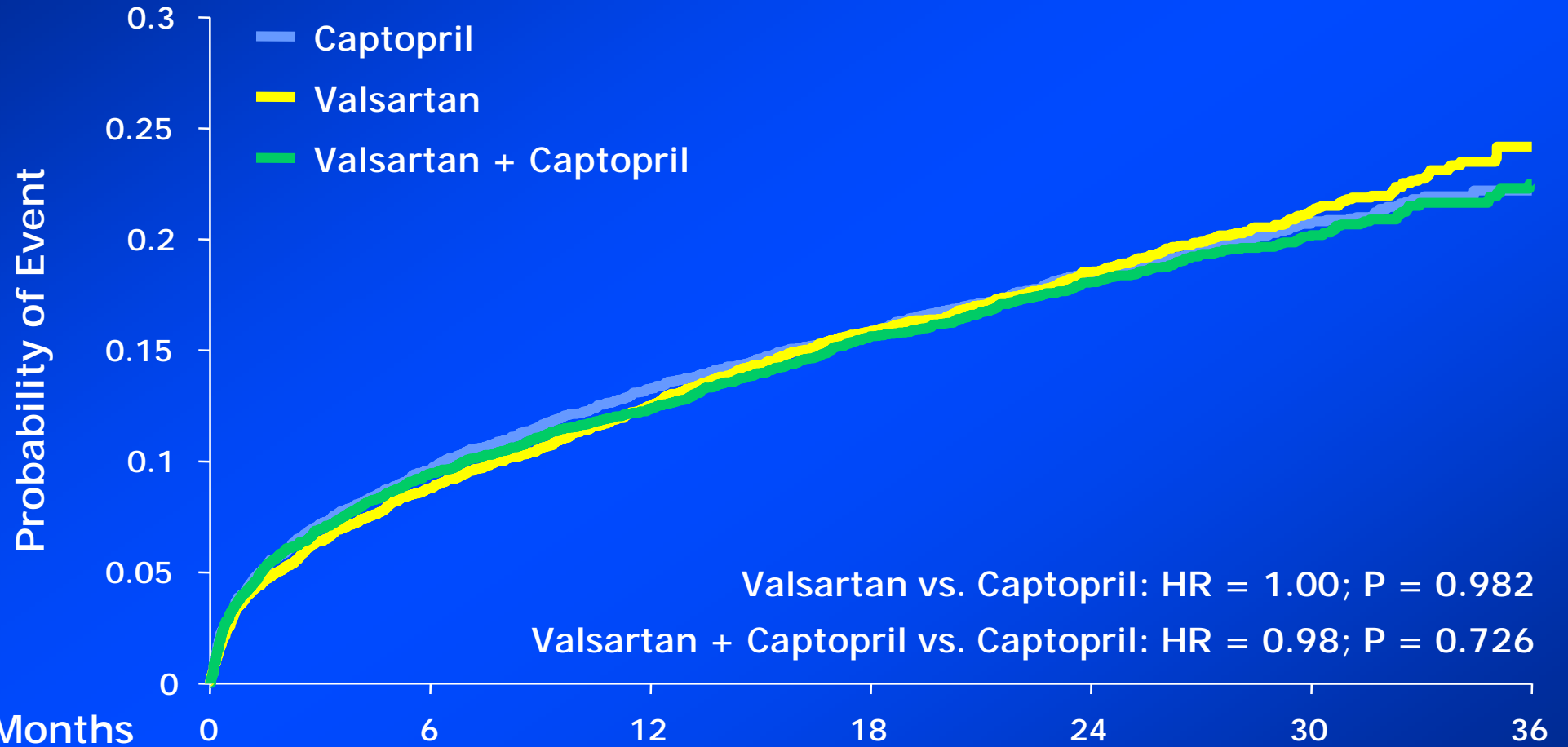
Valsartan 160 mg bid  
(n = 4909)

Captopril 50 mg tid +  
Valsartan 80 mg bid  
(n = 4885)

median duration: 24.7 months  
event-driven

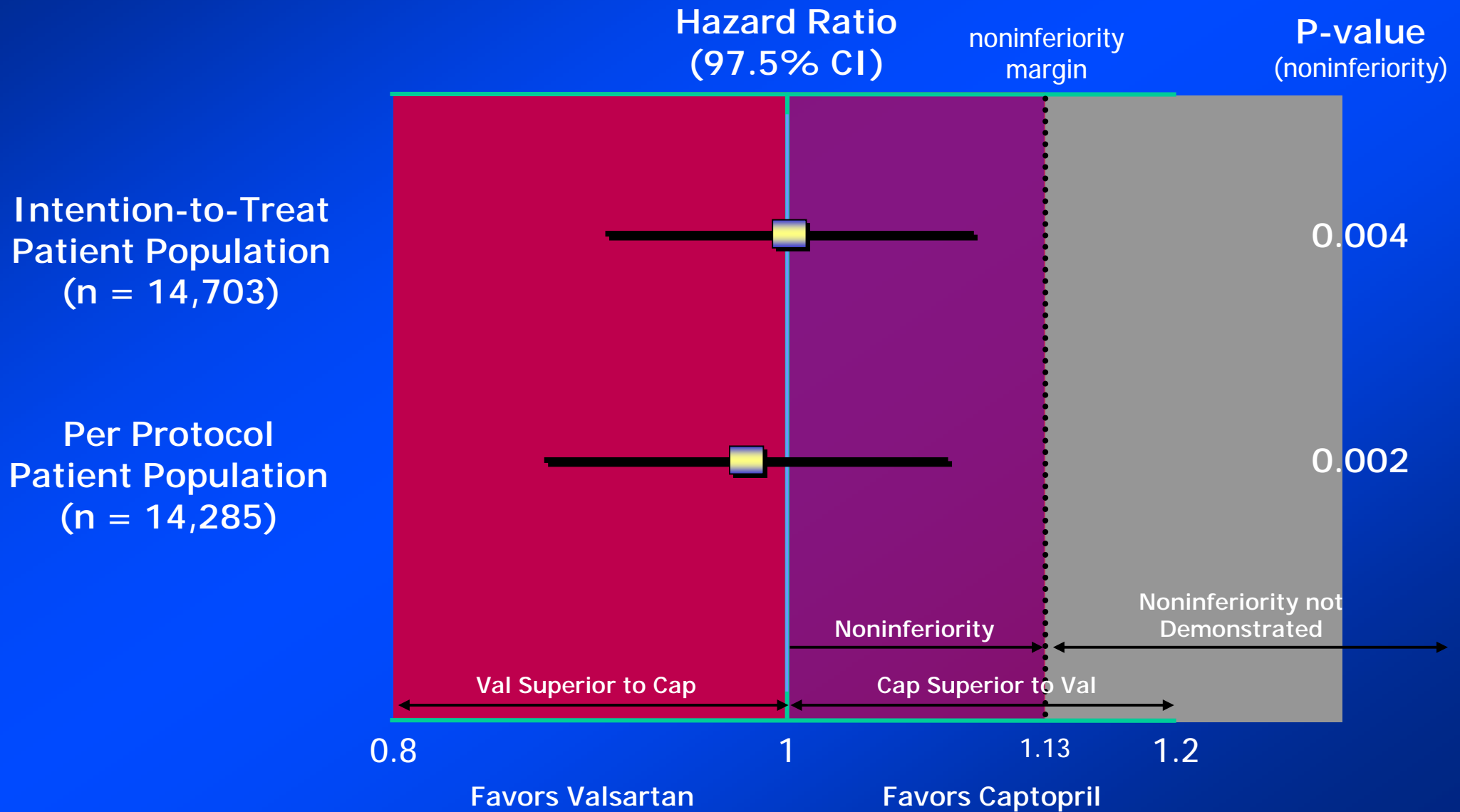
**Primary Endpoint:** All-Cause Mortality  
**Secondary Endpoints:** CV Death, MI, or HF  
**Other Endpoints:** Safety and Tolerability

# Mortality by Treatment



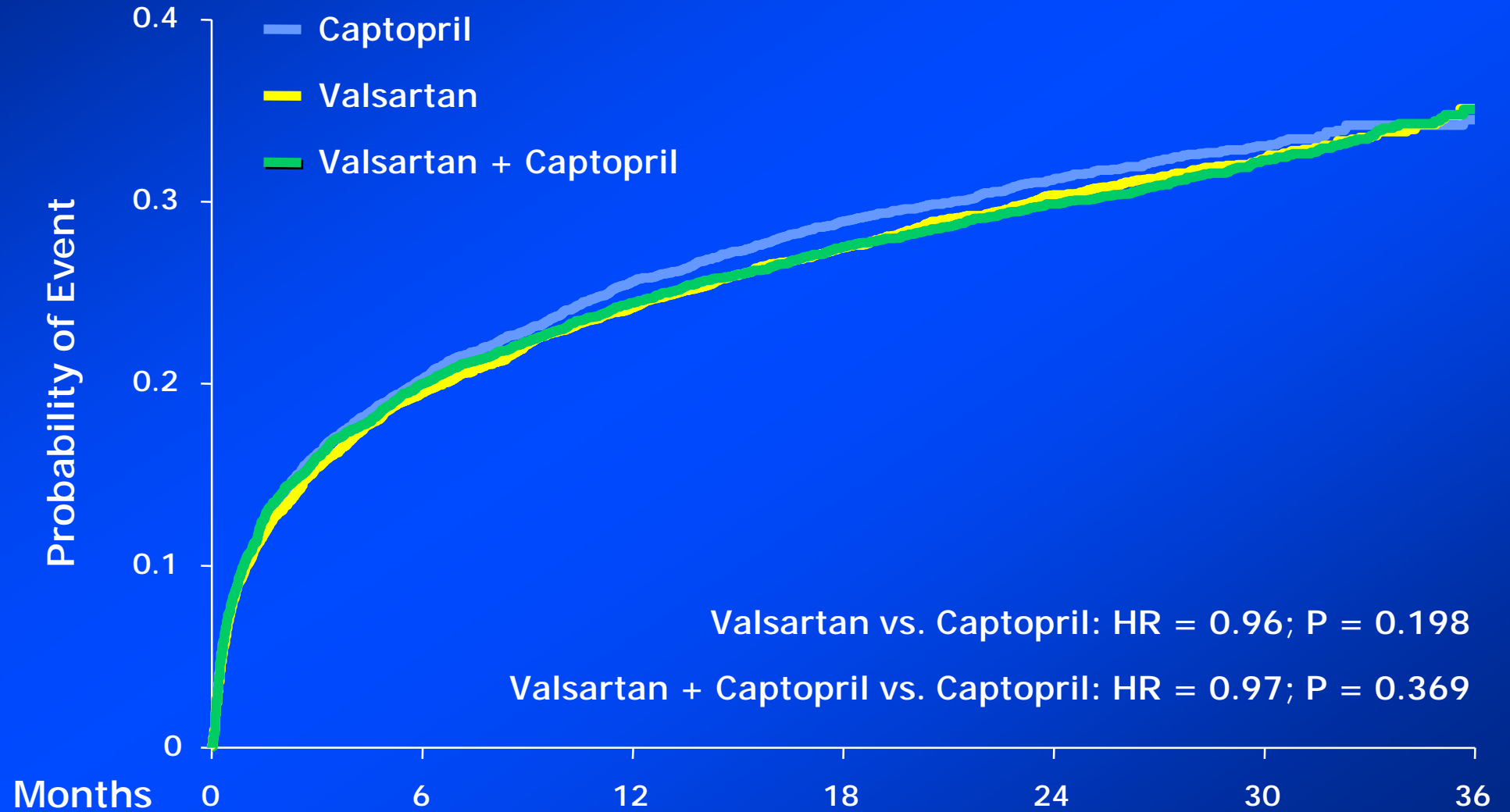
Months	0	6	12	18	24	30	36
Captopril	4909	4428	4241	4018	2635	1432	364
Valsartan	4909	4464	4272	4007	2648	1437	357
Valsartan + Cap	4885	4414	4265	3994	2648	1435	382

# All-Cause Mortality: Non-Inferiority Analyses





# CV Death, MI, or HF by Treatment



# Hazard Ratios (95% CI) for CV Death, MI, or HF

## Valsartan vs. Captopril:

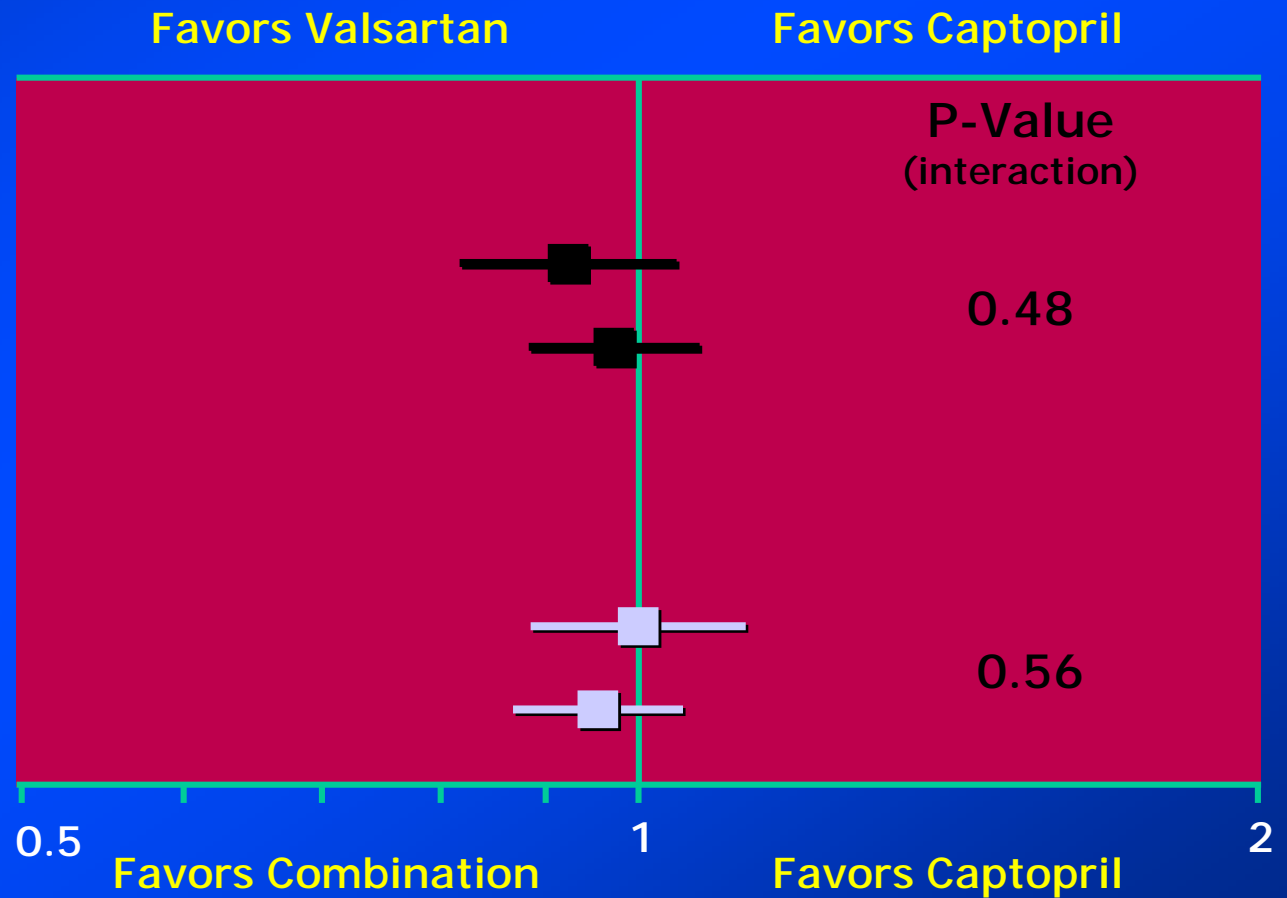
No Beta-Blocker (n = 2907)

Beta-Blocker (n = 6911)

## Combination vs. Captopril:

No Beta-Blocker (n = 2910)

Beta-Blocker (n = 6882)



# CHARM Programme

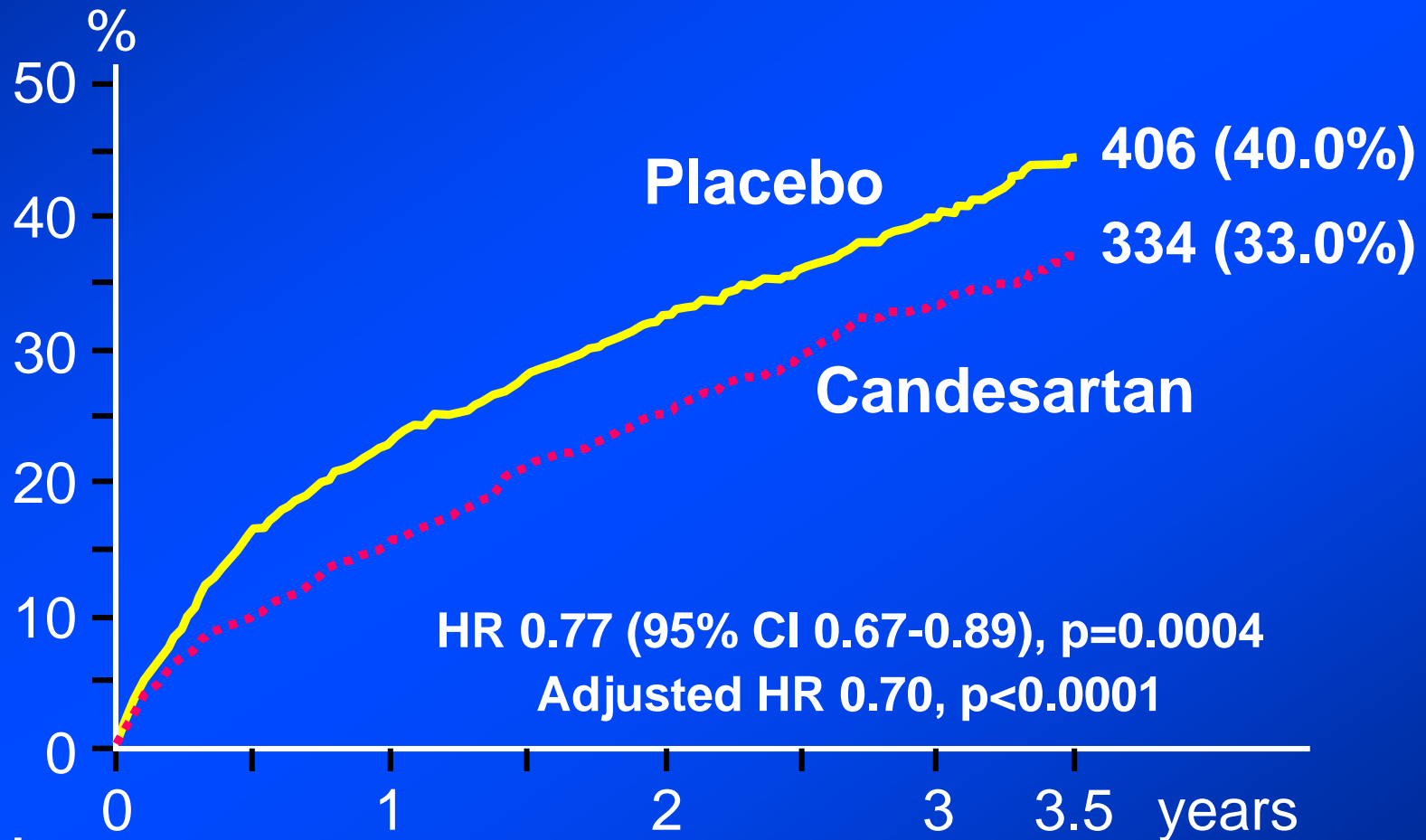
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candesartan to placebo*



**Primary outcome:**  
CV death or CHF hosp

# CHARM-Alternative: Primary outcome

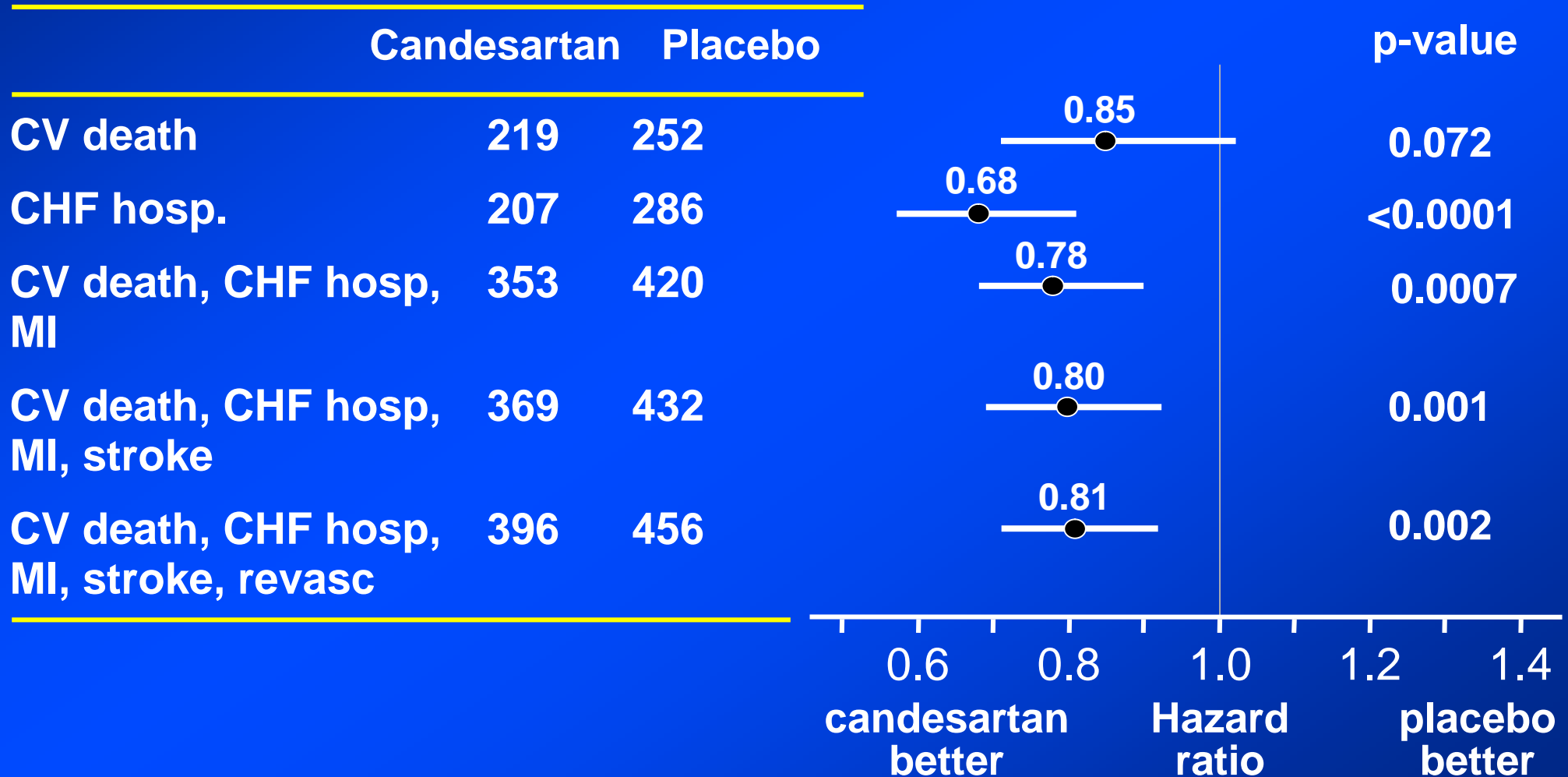
## CV death or CHF hospitalisation



### Number at risk

Candesartan	1013	929	831	434	122
Placebo	1015	887	798	427	126

## CHARM-Alternative: Secondary outcomes

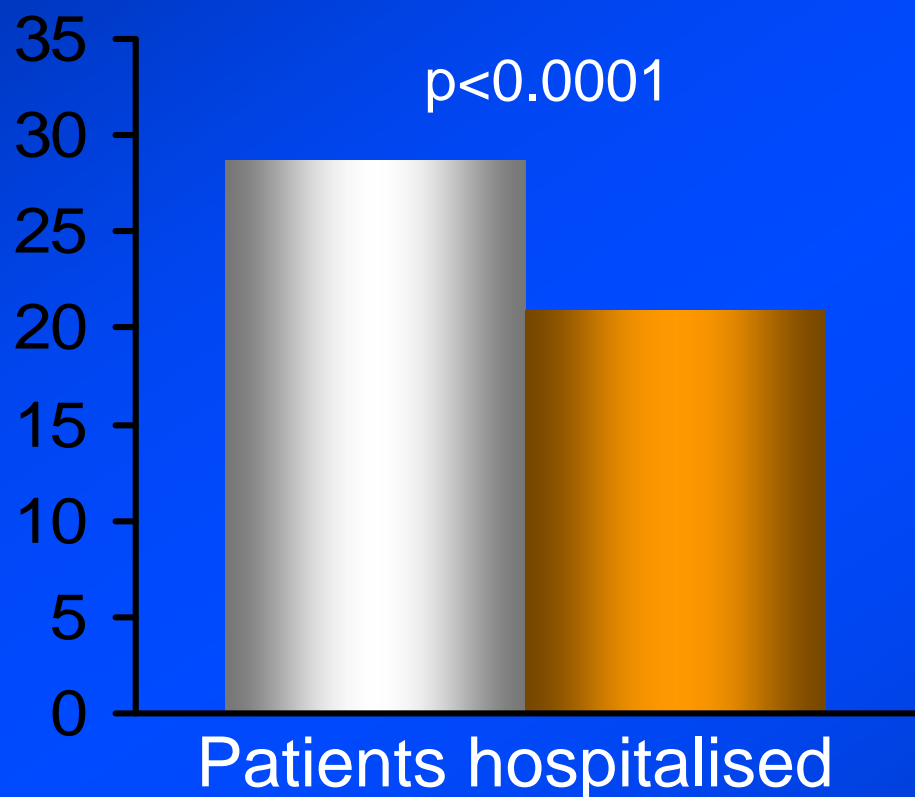


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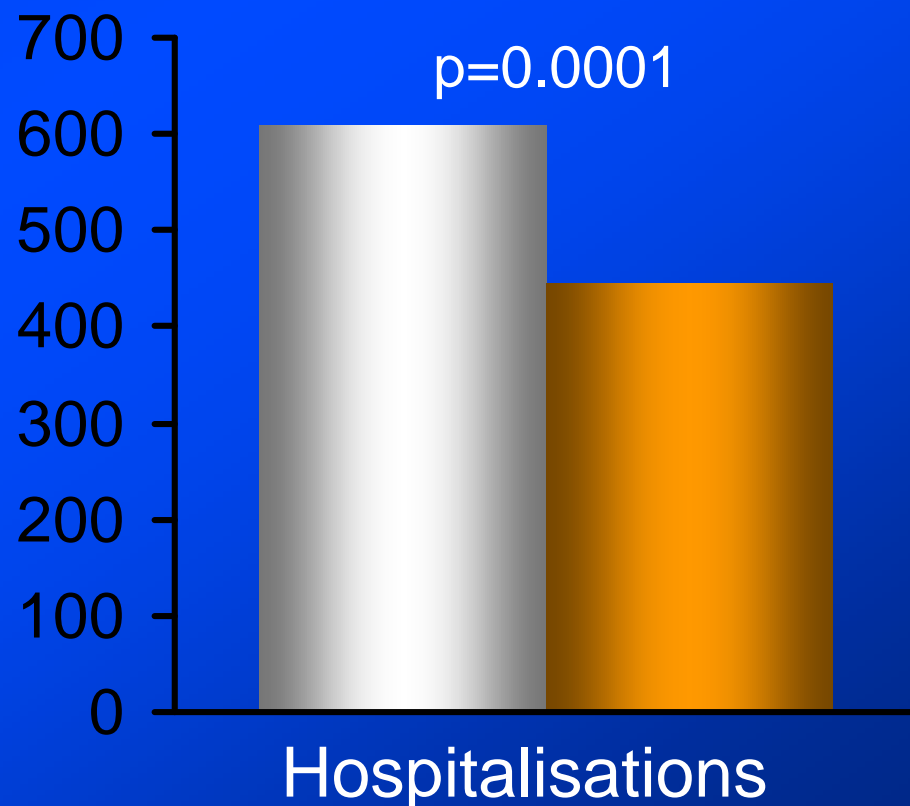
## Investigator reported CHF hospitalisations

Placebo  
Candesartan

Proportion of patients (%)



Number of episodes



## CHARM-Alternative Conclusions

- Despite prior intolerance to another inhibitor of the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system, candesartan was well tolerated
- In patients with symptomatic chronic heart failure and ACE-inhibitor intolerance, candesartan reduces cardiovascular mortality and morbidity

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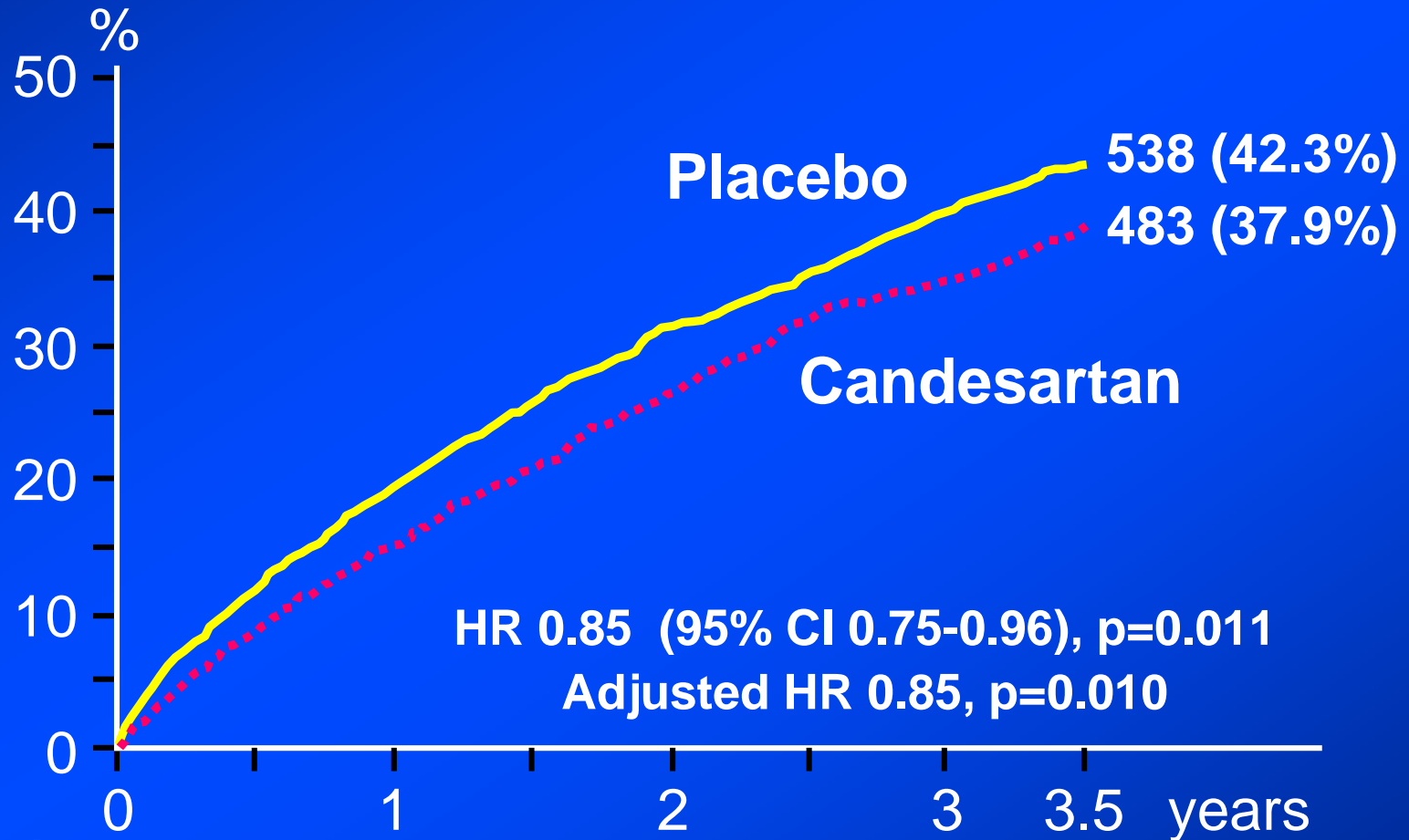
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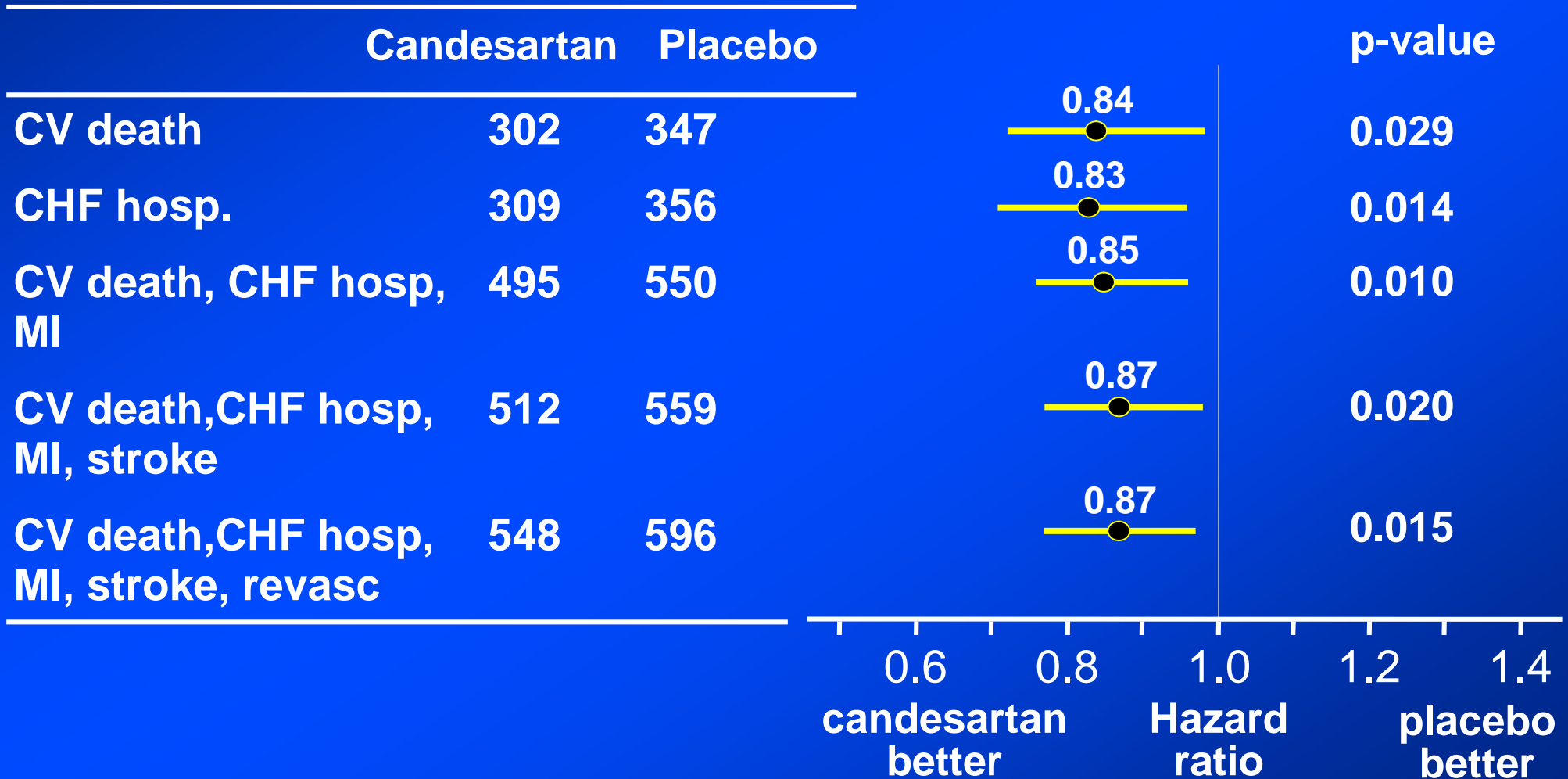
# CHARM-Added: Primary outcome CV death or CHF hospitalisation



## Number at risk

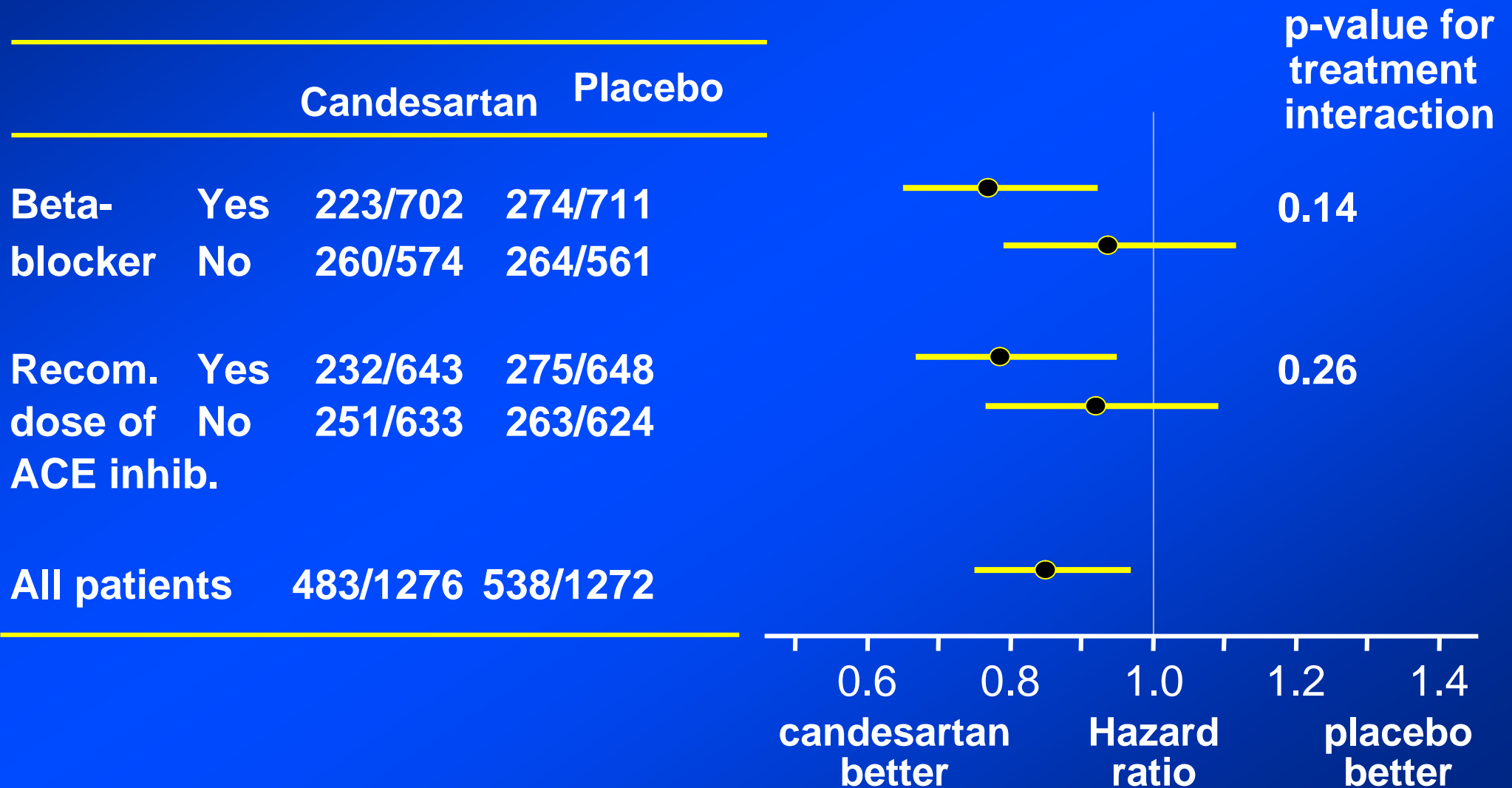
Candesartan	1276	1176	1063	948	457
Placebo	1272	1136	1013	906	422

## CHARM-Added Secondary outcomes



# CHARM-Added

## Prespecified subgroups, CV death or CHF hosp.

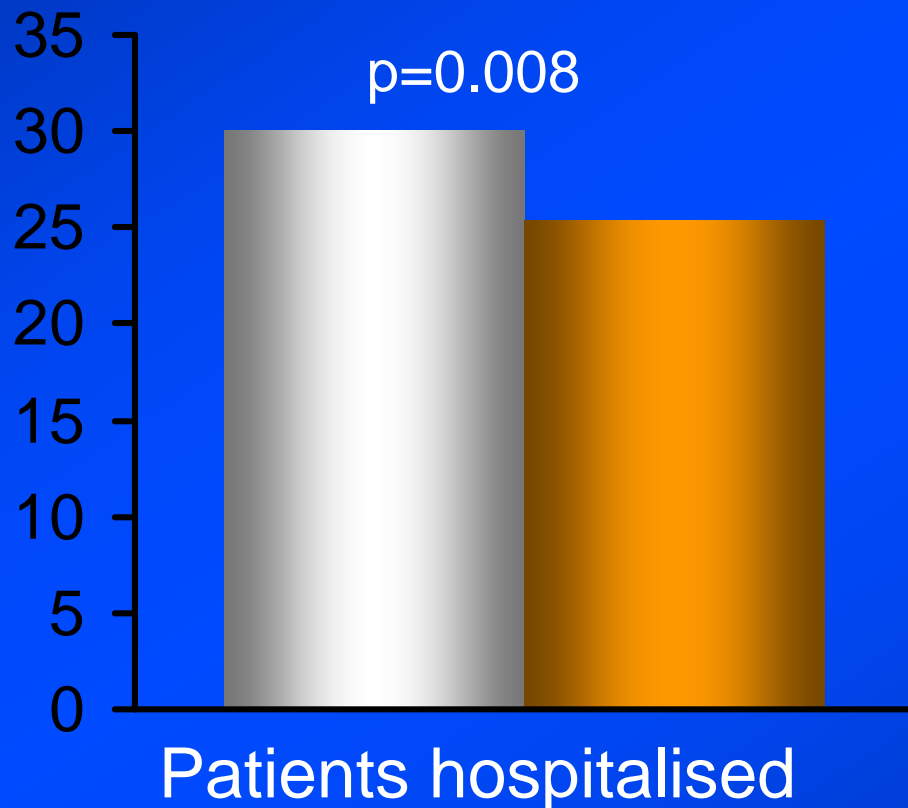


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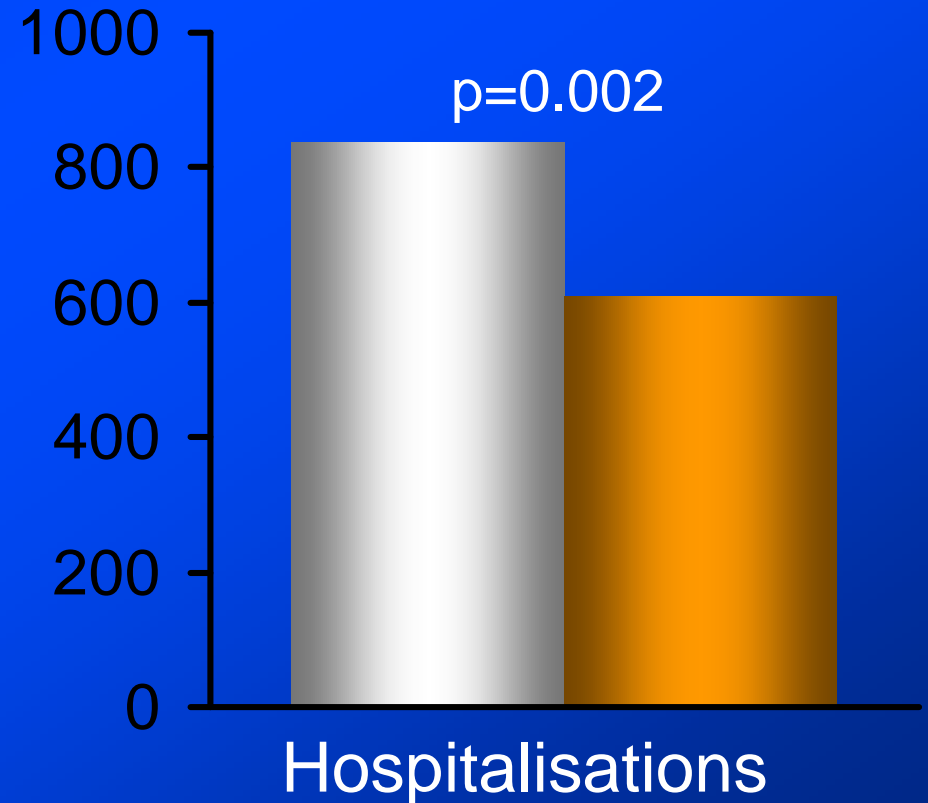
## Investigator reported CHF hospitalisations

Placebo  
Candesartan

Proportion of patients (%)



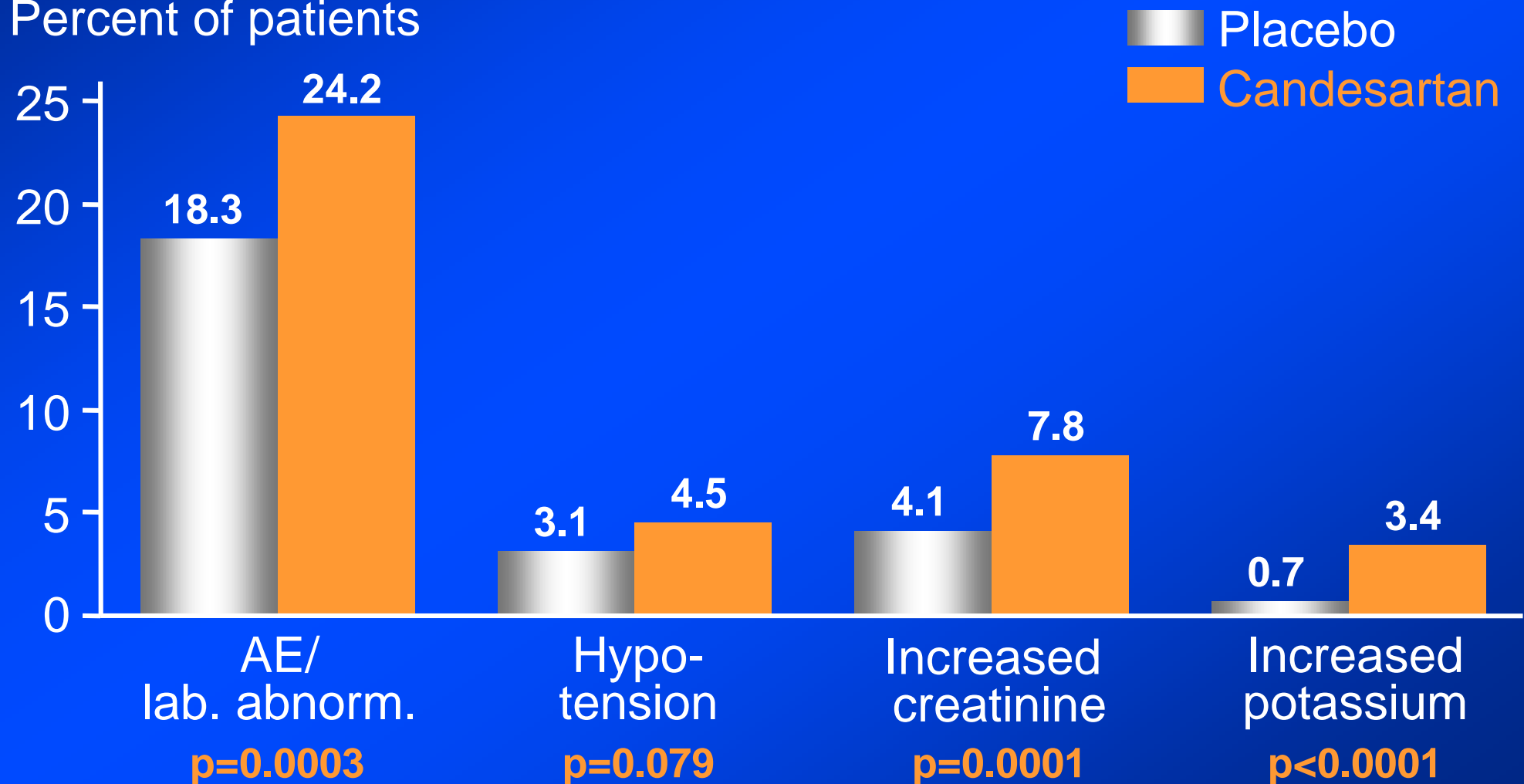
Number of episodes



# CHARM-Added

## Permanent study drug discontinuations

Percent of patients



## CHARM-Added Conclusions

- Addition of candesartan to an ACE inhibitor (and beta-blocker) leads to a further and clinically important reduction in CV mortality and morbidity in patients with CHF
- This benefit is obtained with relatively few adverse effects, although there is an increased risk of hypotension, hyperkalaemia and renal dysfunction

## **Definition of Diastolic Dysfunction and HF**

- Ø Diastolic HF is a clinical syndrome characterized by the symptoms and signs of HF, a preserved EF and abnormal diastolic function.**
- Ø Diastolic dysfunction occurs when the time period during which the myocardium loses its ability to generate force and shorten and returns to an unstressed length and force, is prolonged, slowed or incomplete.**
- Ø Systolic and diastolic HF occurs when patients have a modest decrease in EF and a modest increase in end-diastolic volume but a marked increase in end-diastolic pressure and a diastolic pressure-volume relationship that reflects decreased chamber compliance.**

# Diastolic Heart Failure: Effects of Age on Prevalence and Prognosis

## Age, y

<50

50-70

>70

Prevalence

15

33

50

Mortality

15

33

50

Morbidity

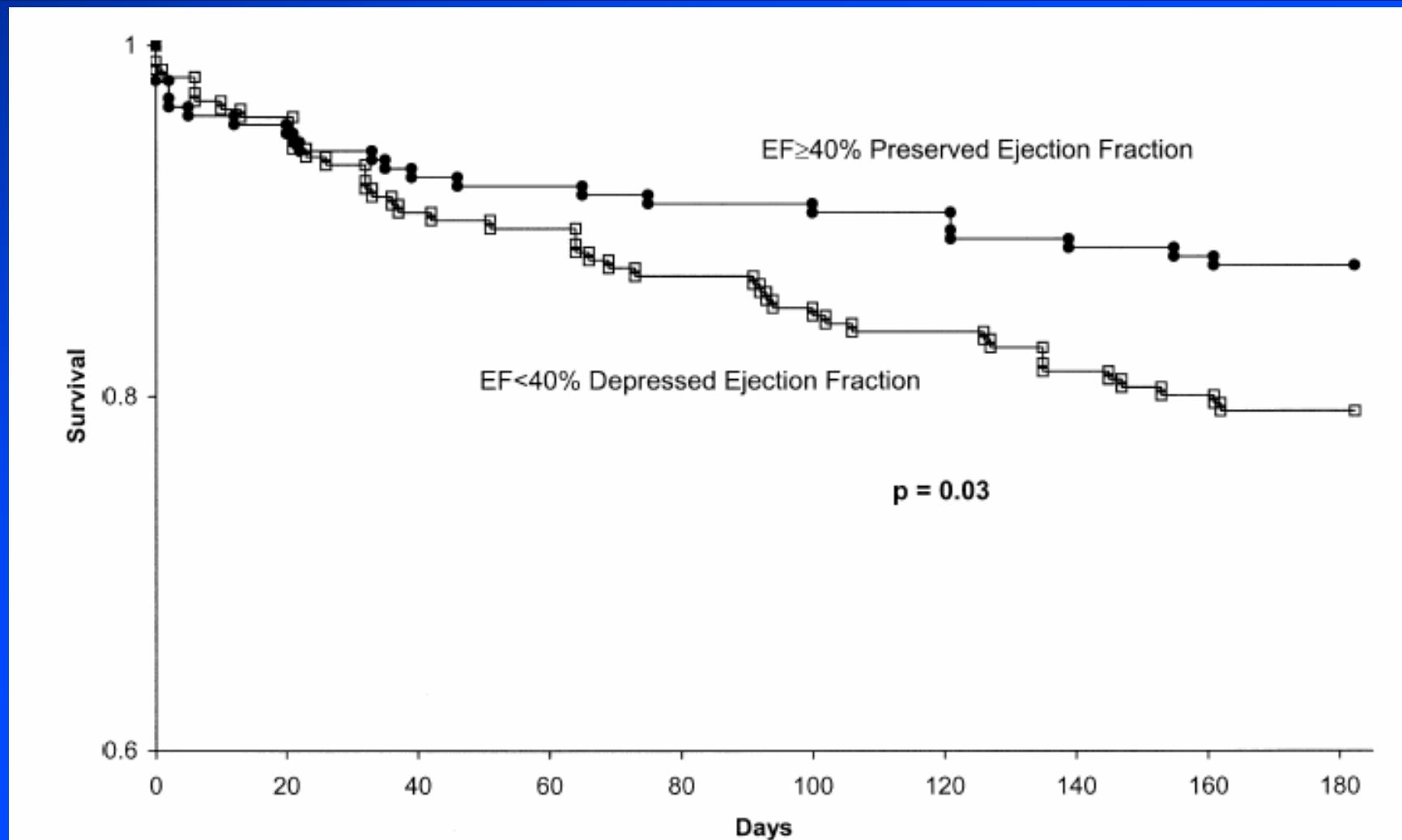
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## Outcomes in Hf Patients with Preserved EF

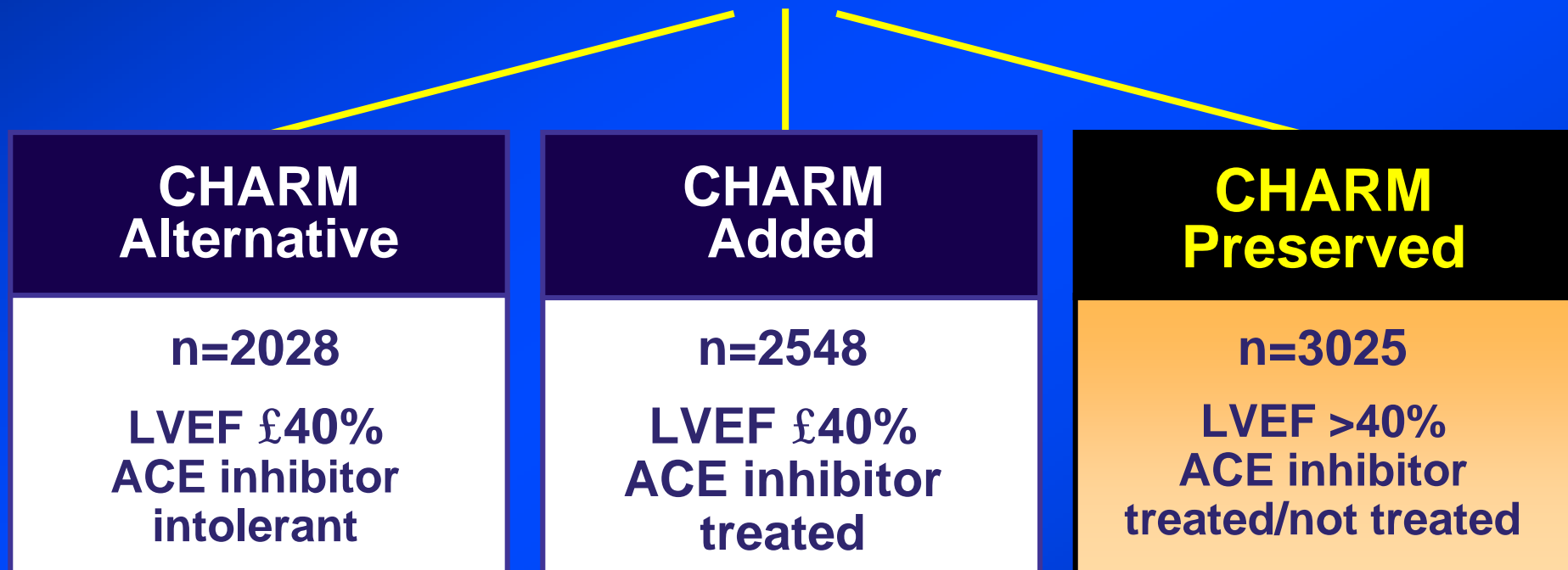


## Patients with Preserved Versus Depressed EF

Clinical Outcomes	HR or OR	95% CI	p Value
Mortality*	0.51	0.27,0.96	0.04
All-cause readmission†	1.01	0.72,1.43	0.96
HF readmission†	0.77	0.38,1.56	0.46
Functional decline or death‡	0.98	0.57,1.69	0.63
Functional decline only (survivors: n = 316)‡	1.59	0.83,3.04	0.33

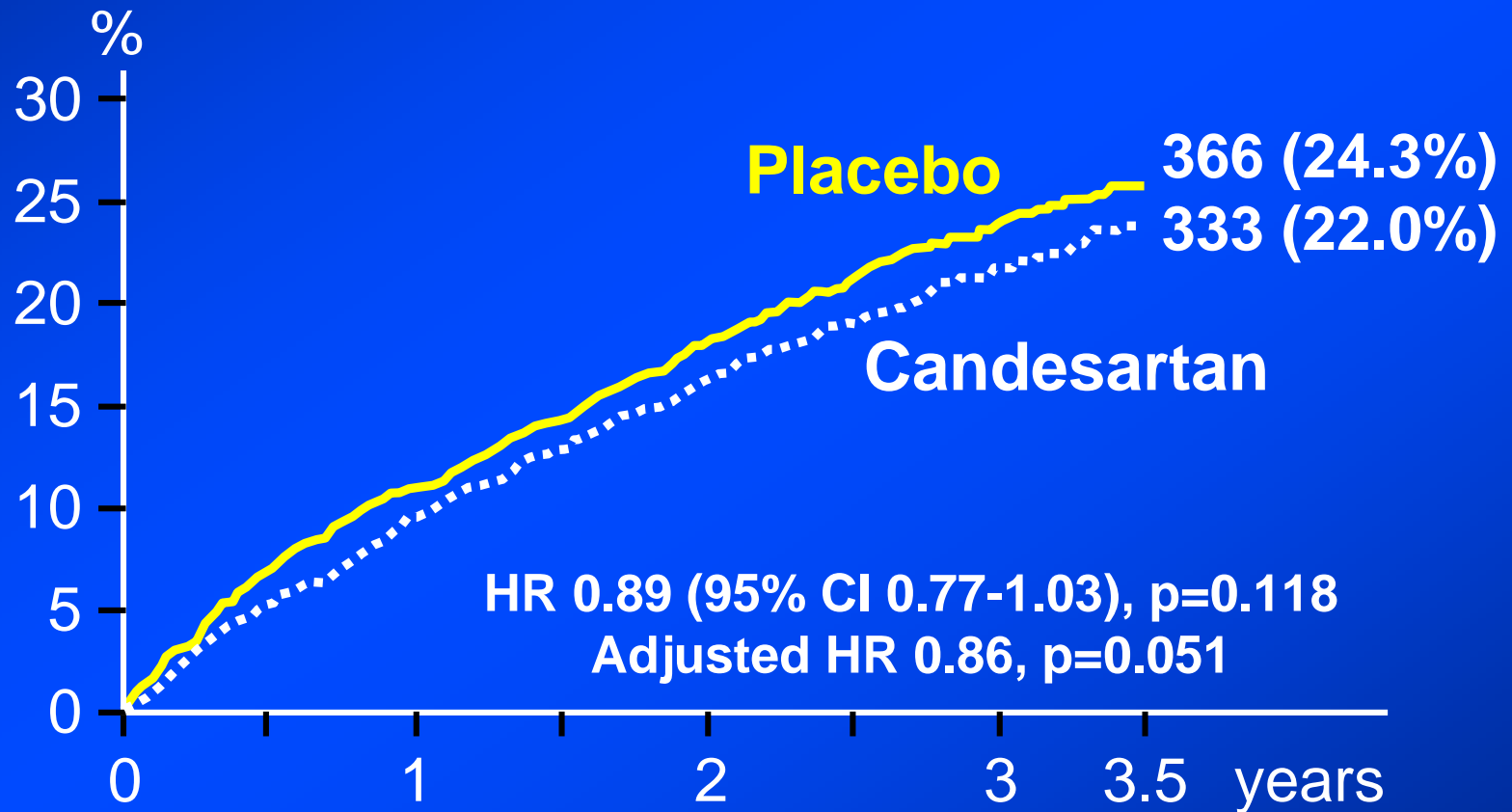
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# CHARM-Preserved: Primary outcome CV death or CHF hospitalisation

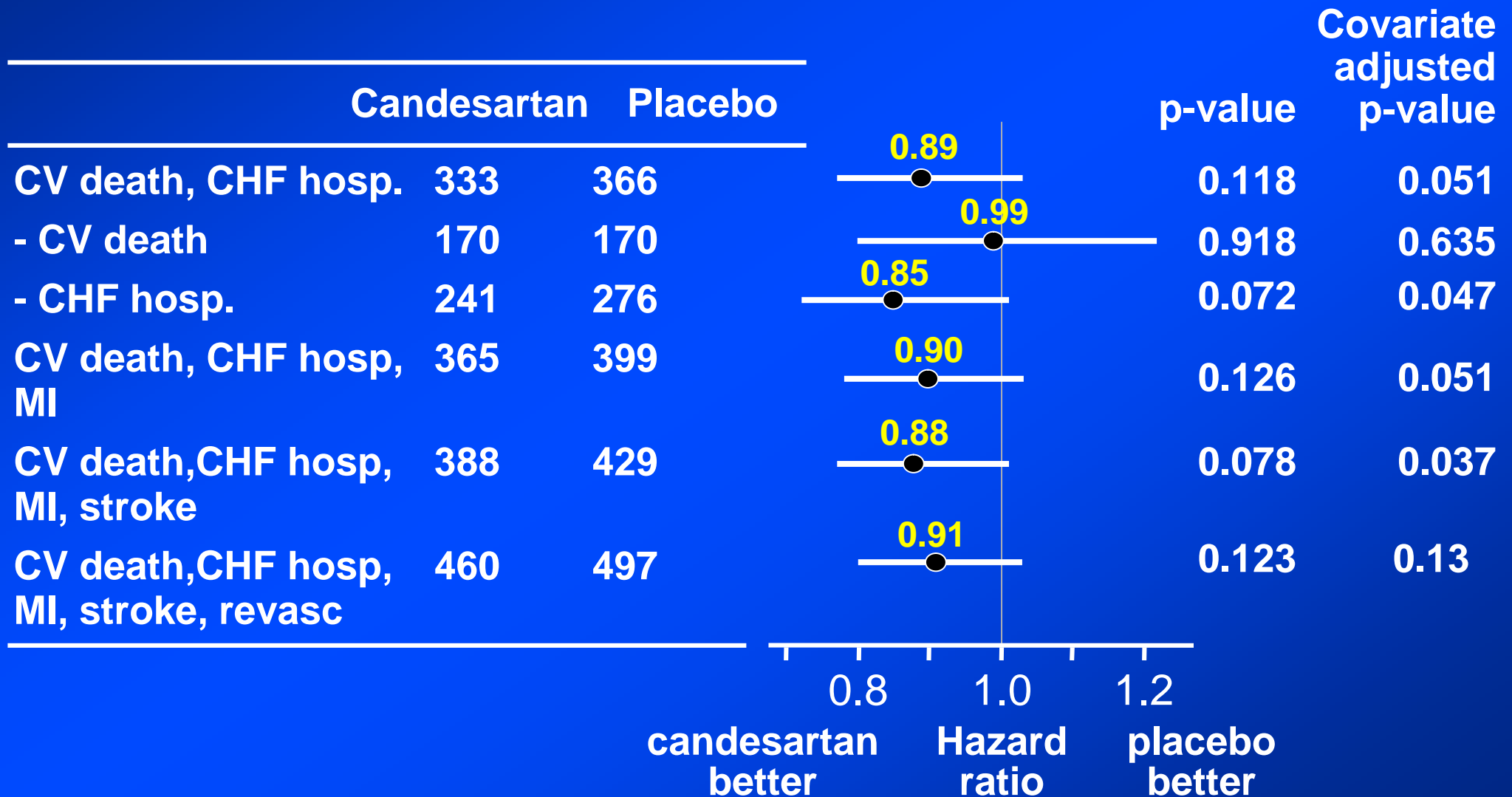


## Number at risk

Candesartan	1514	1458	1377	833	182
Placebo	1509	1441	1359	824	195

# CHARM-Preserved

## Primary and secondary outcomes

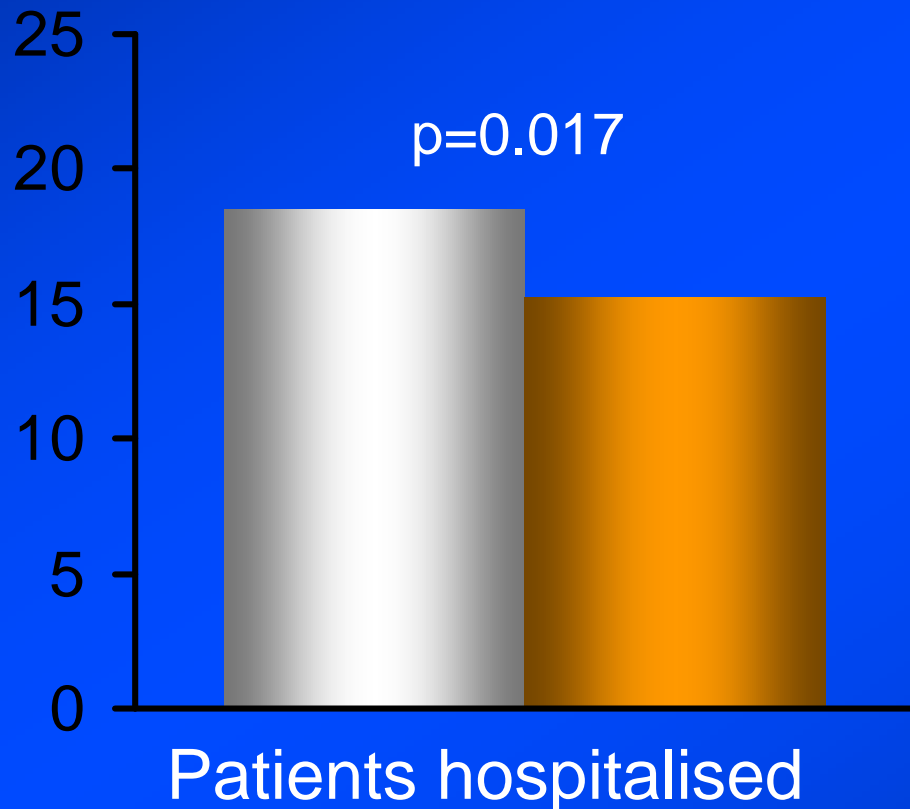


# CHARM-Preserved

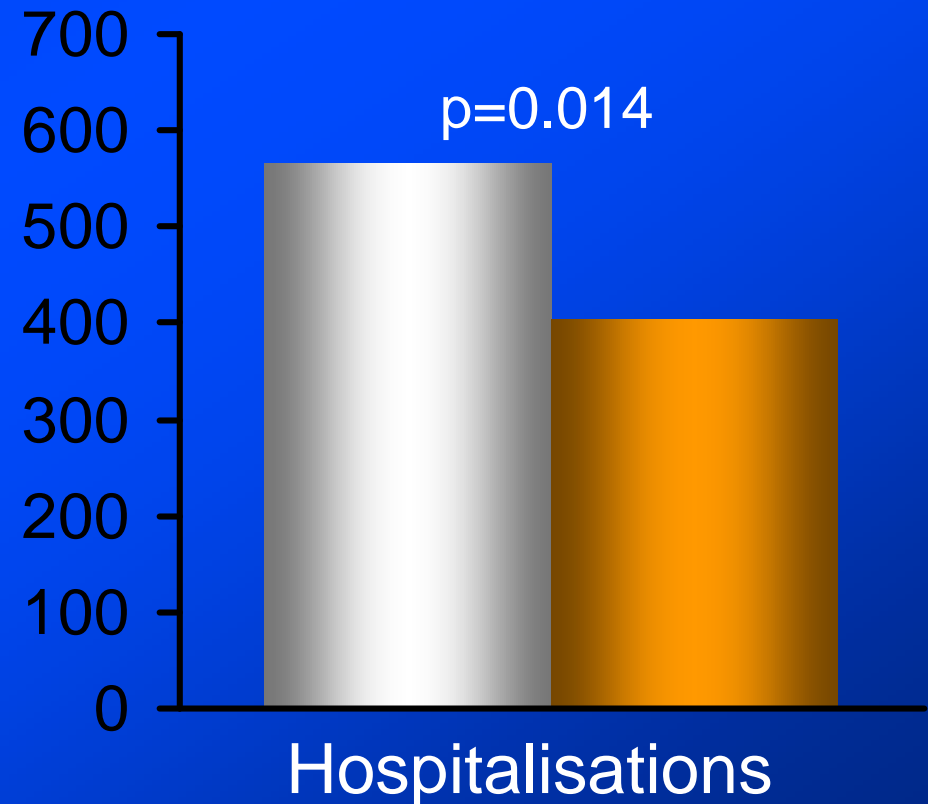
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Proportion of patients (%)



Number of episodes

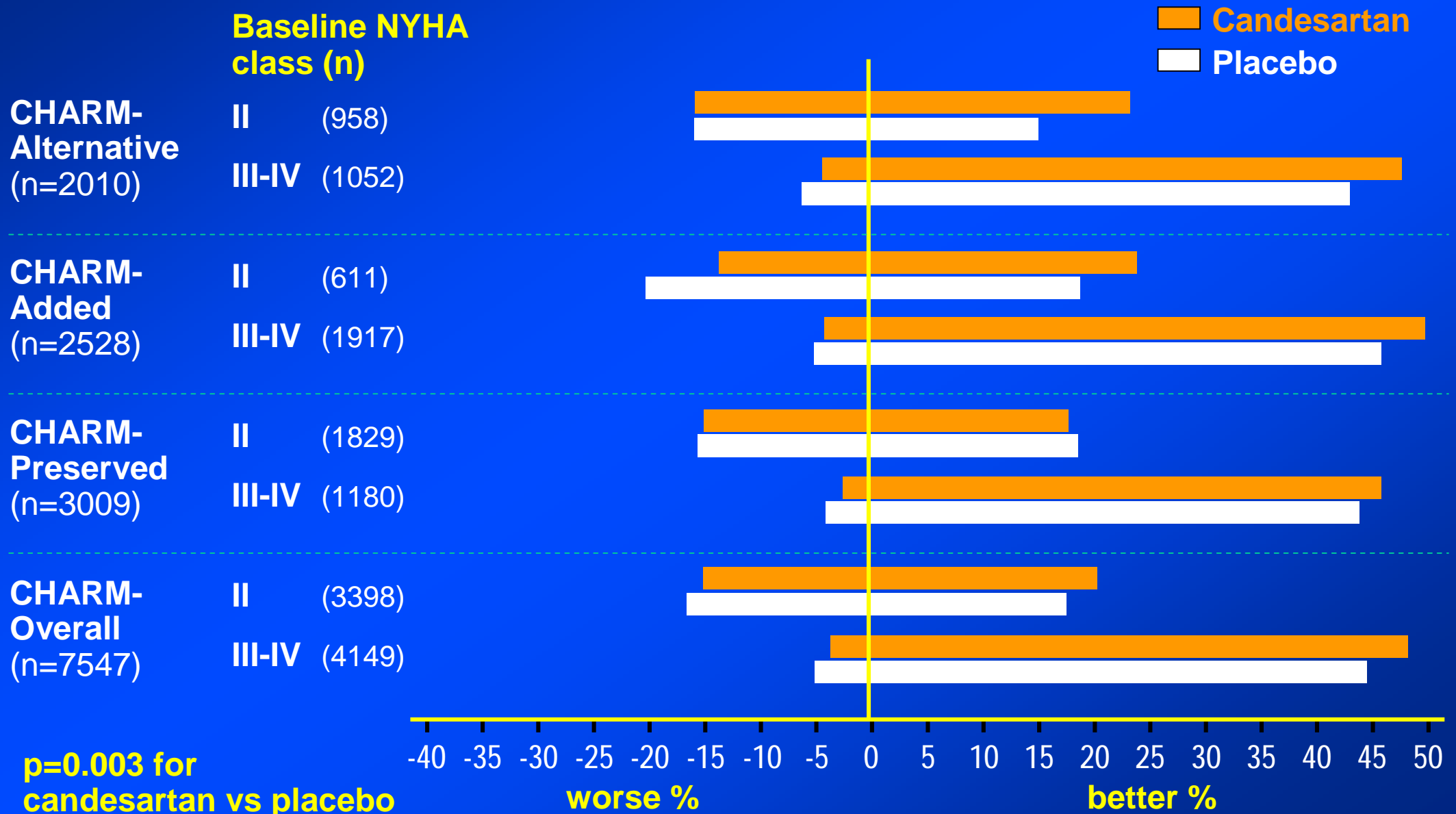


## **CHARM-Preserved Conclusions**

The CHARM Preserved trial provides supportive evidence that the ARB, candesartan can prevent CHF hospitalisations and can prevent the development of diabetes mellitus.

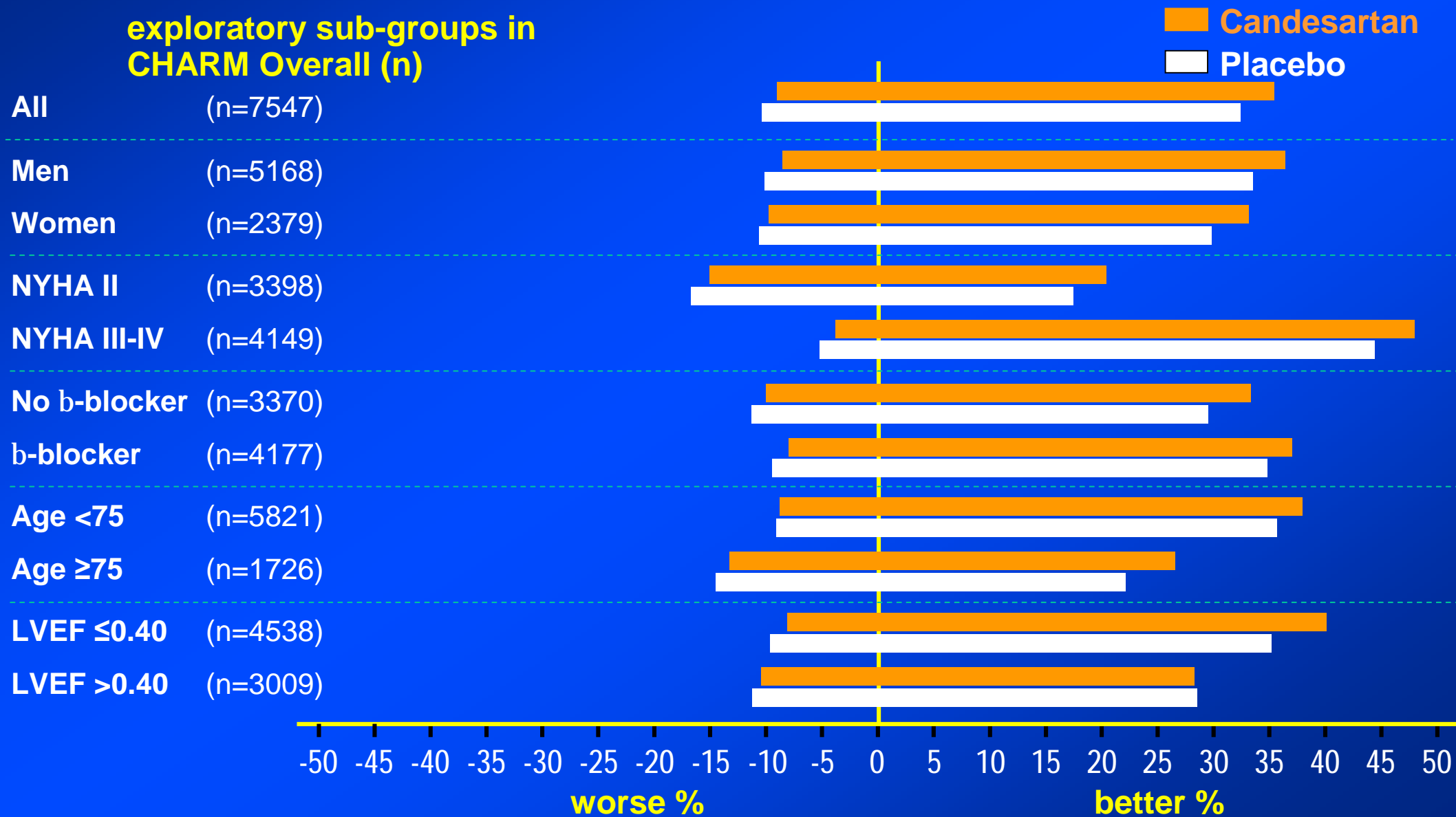
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*O'Meara E. et al. Eur Heart J 2004*





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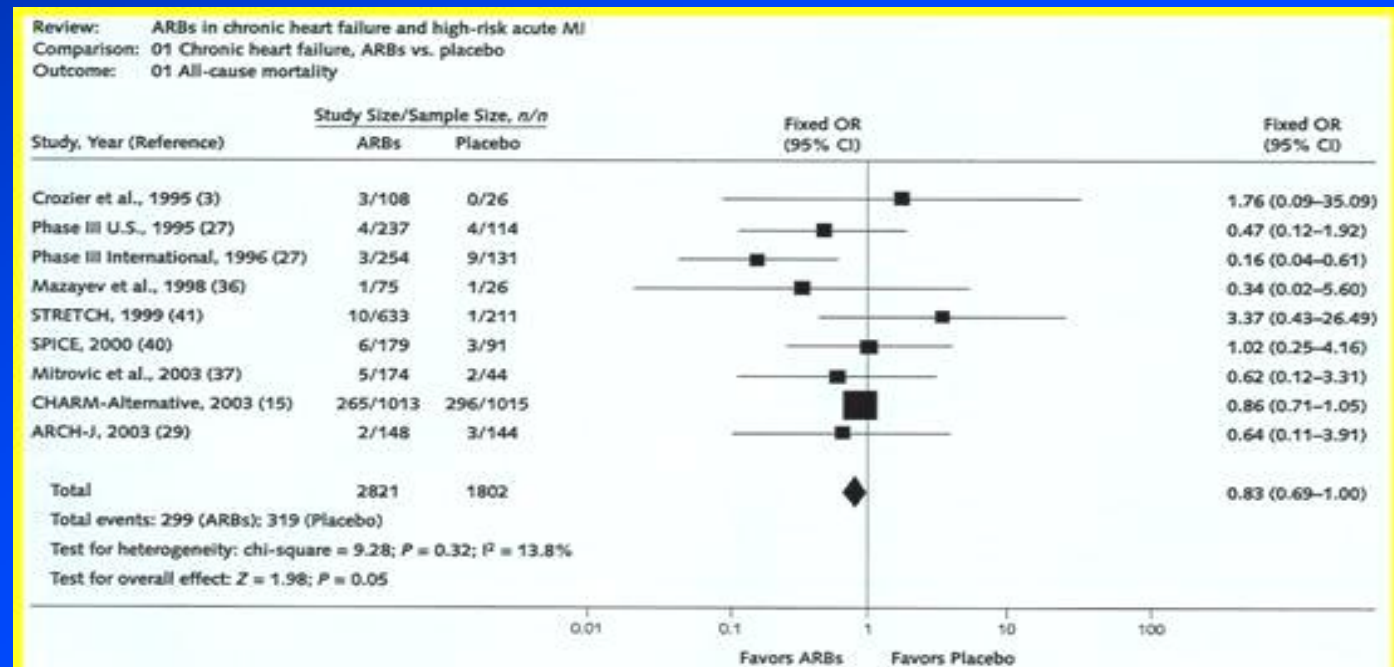


## Effects of Candesartan on NYHA functional class. Results of the CHARM programm

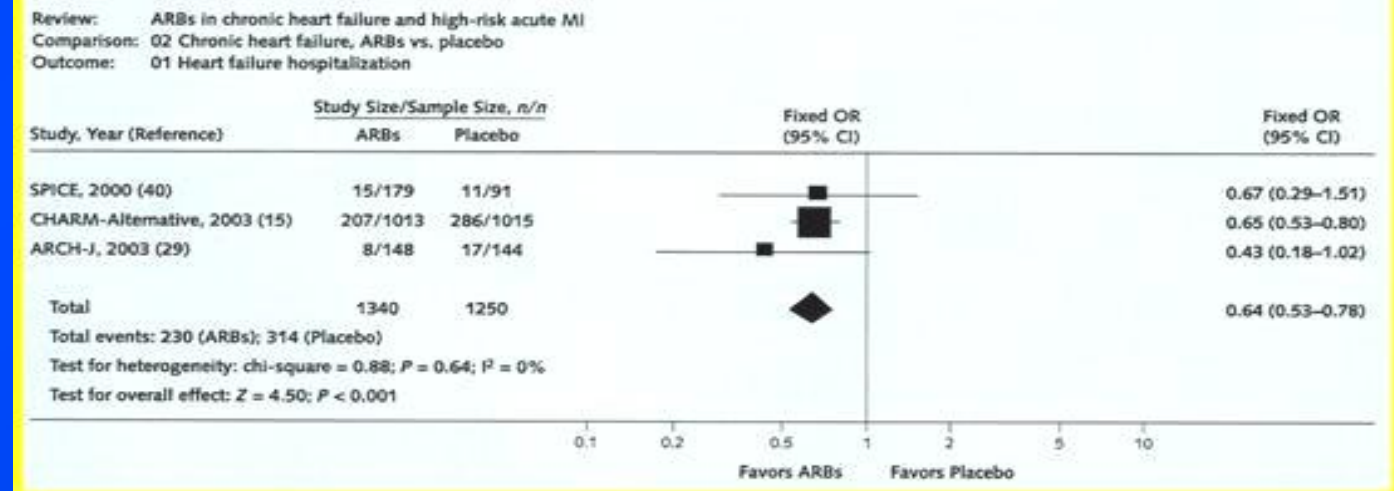
- The ARB candesartan improved overall NYHA class in patients with CHF and left ventricular systolic dysfunction
- This benefit was seen even in patients treated with full conventional therapy
- The benefit observed was similar in magnitude to that observed with other treatments for CHF
- Candesartan improves symptoms, reduces hospital admissions for CHF and increases survival in patients with CHF and left ventricular systolic dysfunction

# ARBs vs Placebo in Patients with Chronic Heart Failure

*All cause mortality*

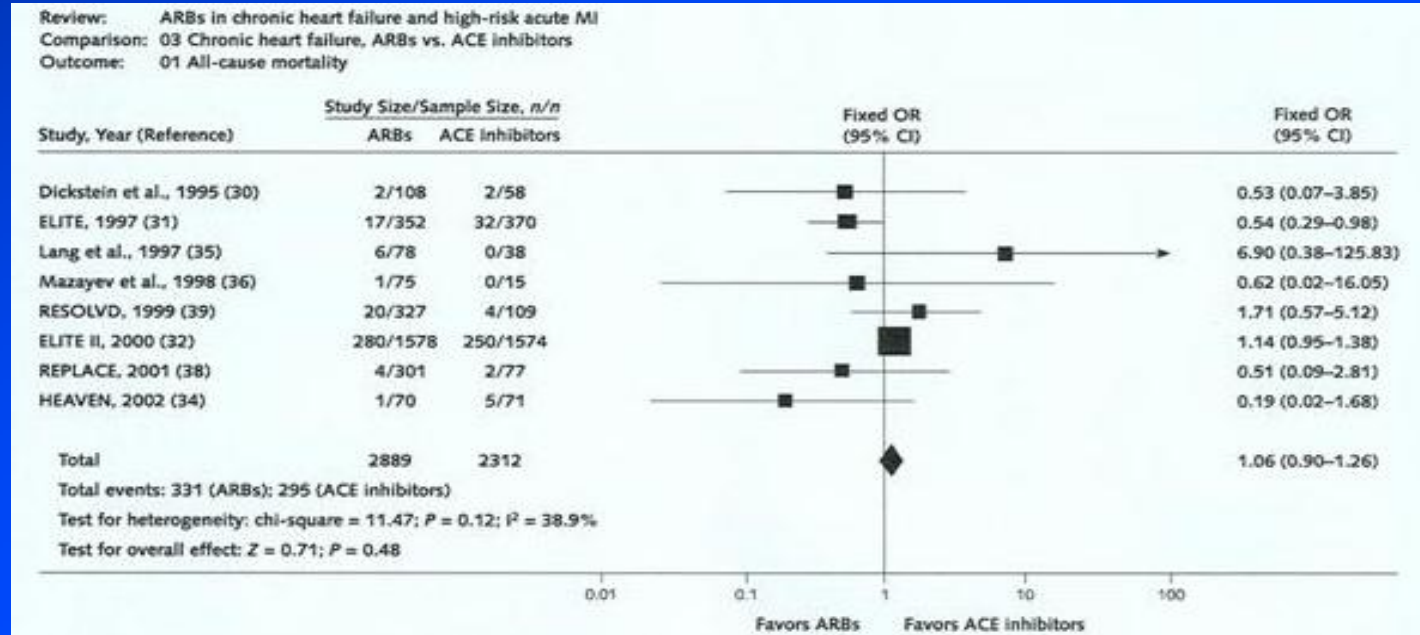


*Hospitalisations*

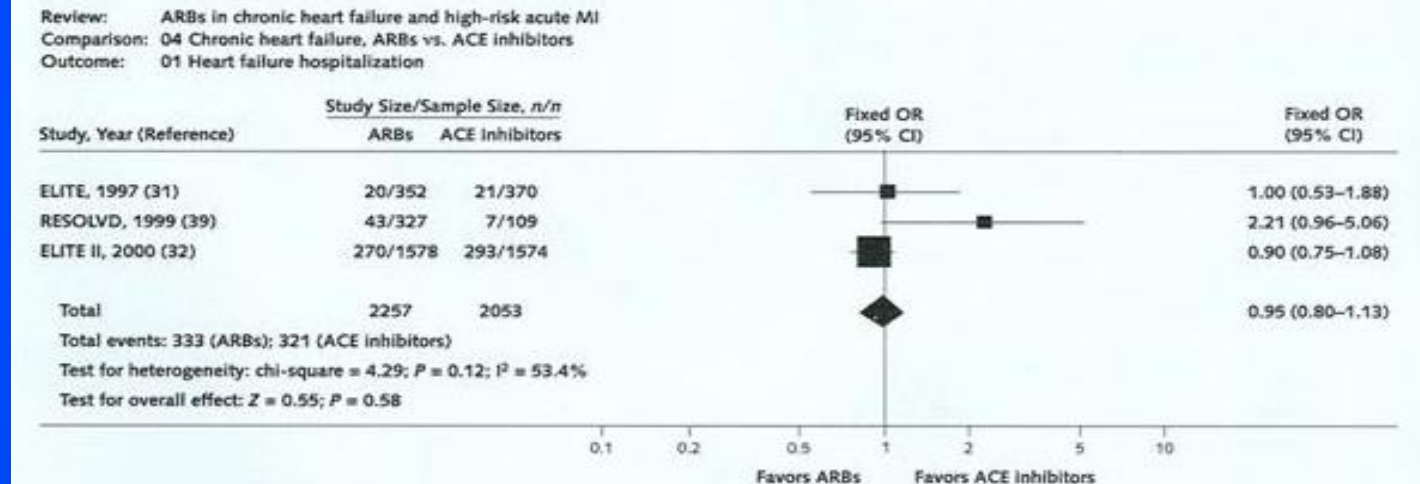


# ARBs vs ACE inhibitors in patients with CHF

All cause mortality

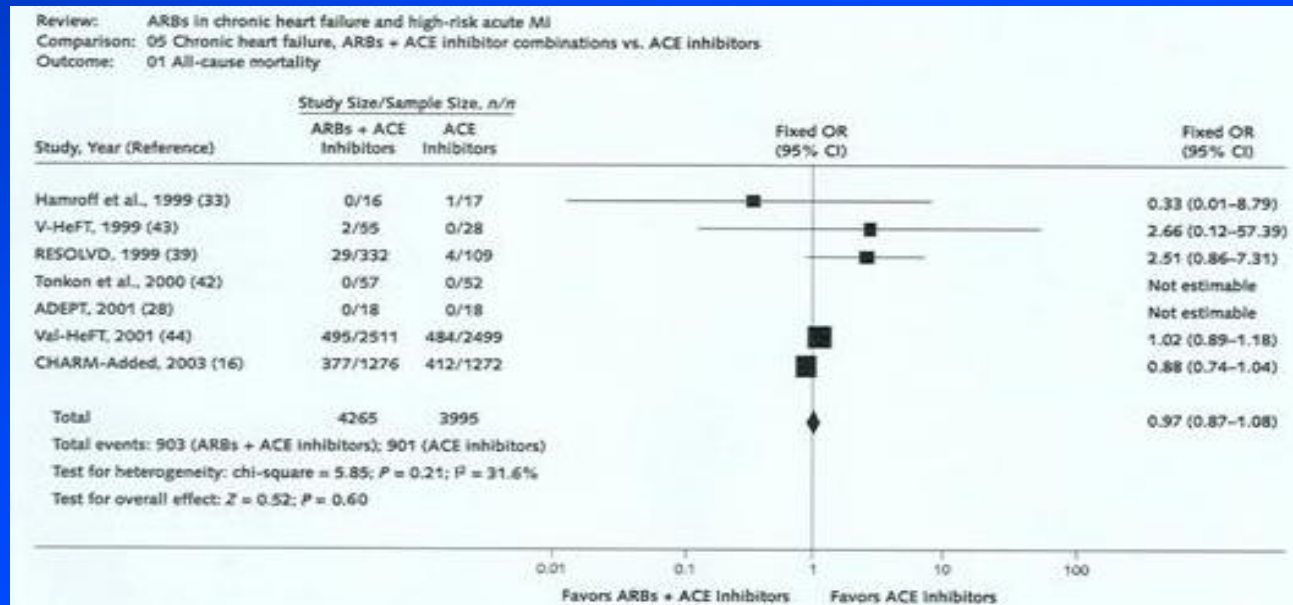


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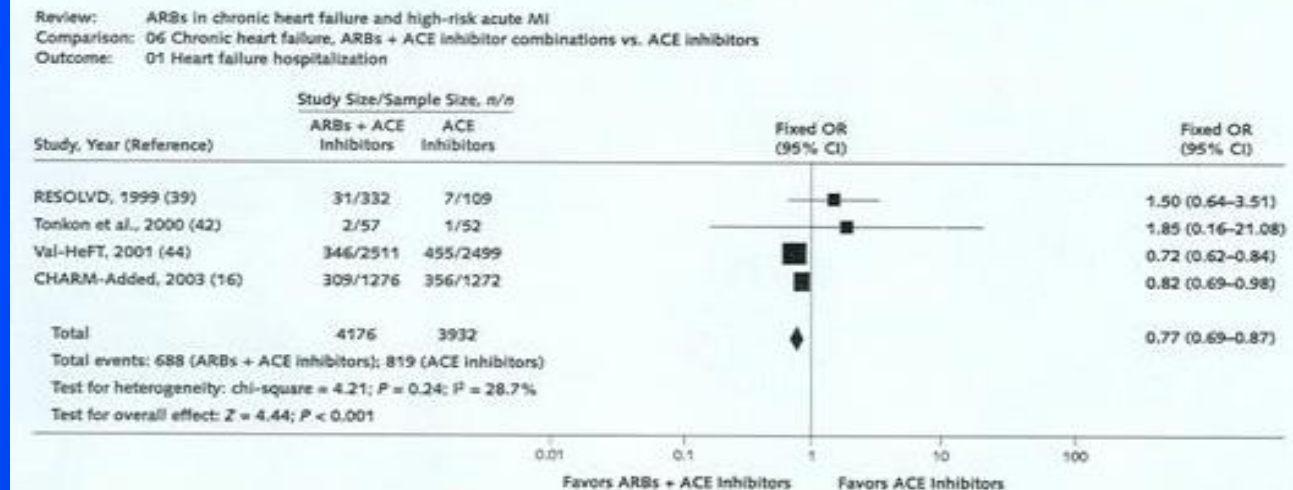


# ARB and ACE inhibitor combinations vs ACE inhibitors in patients with chronic heart failure.

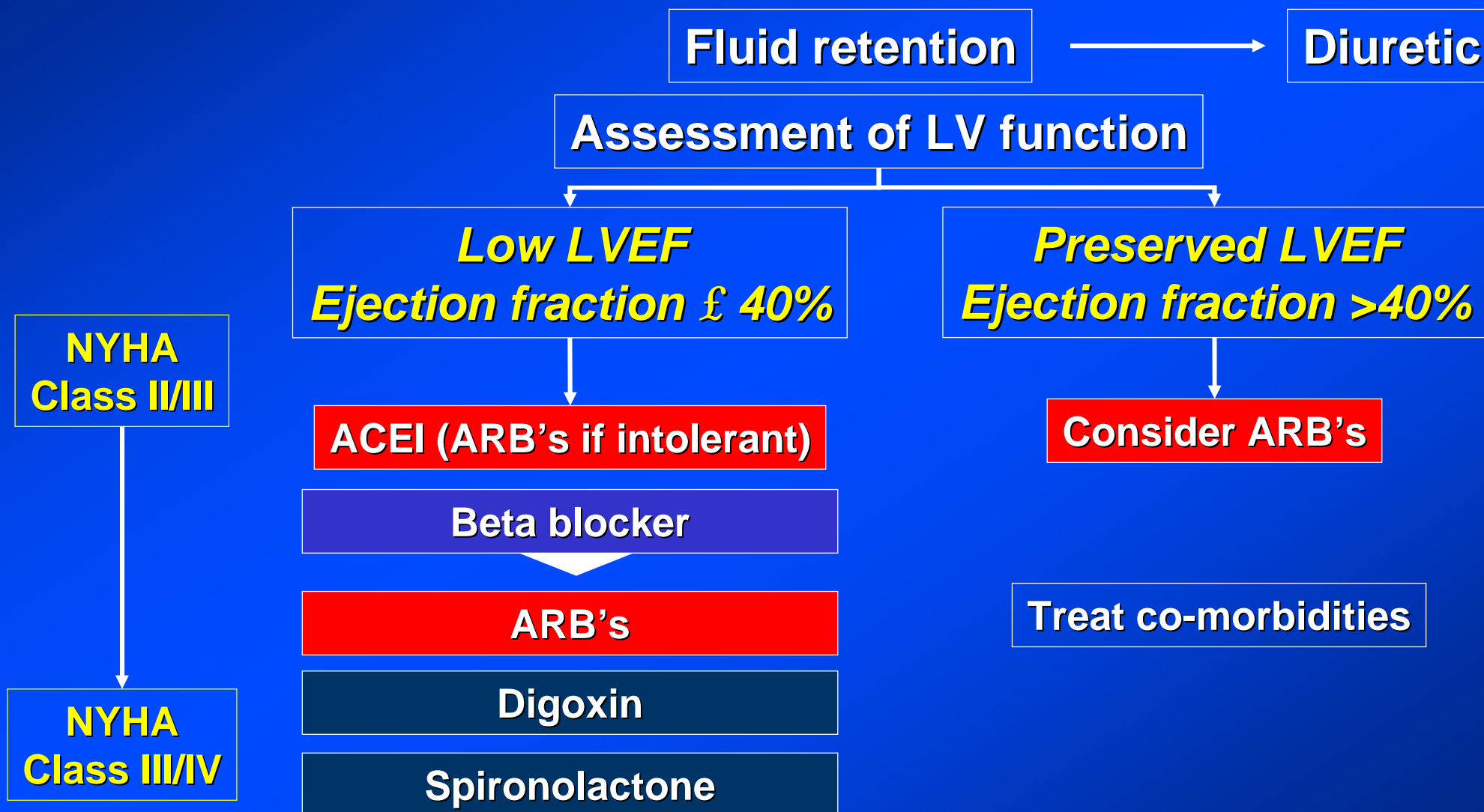
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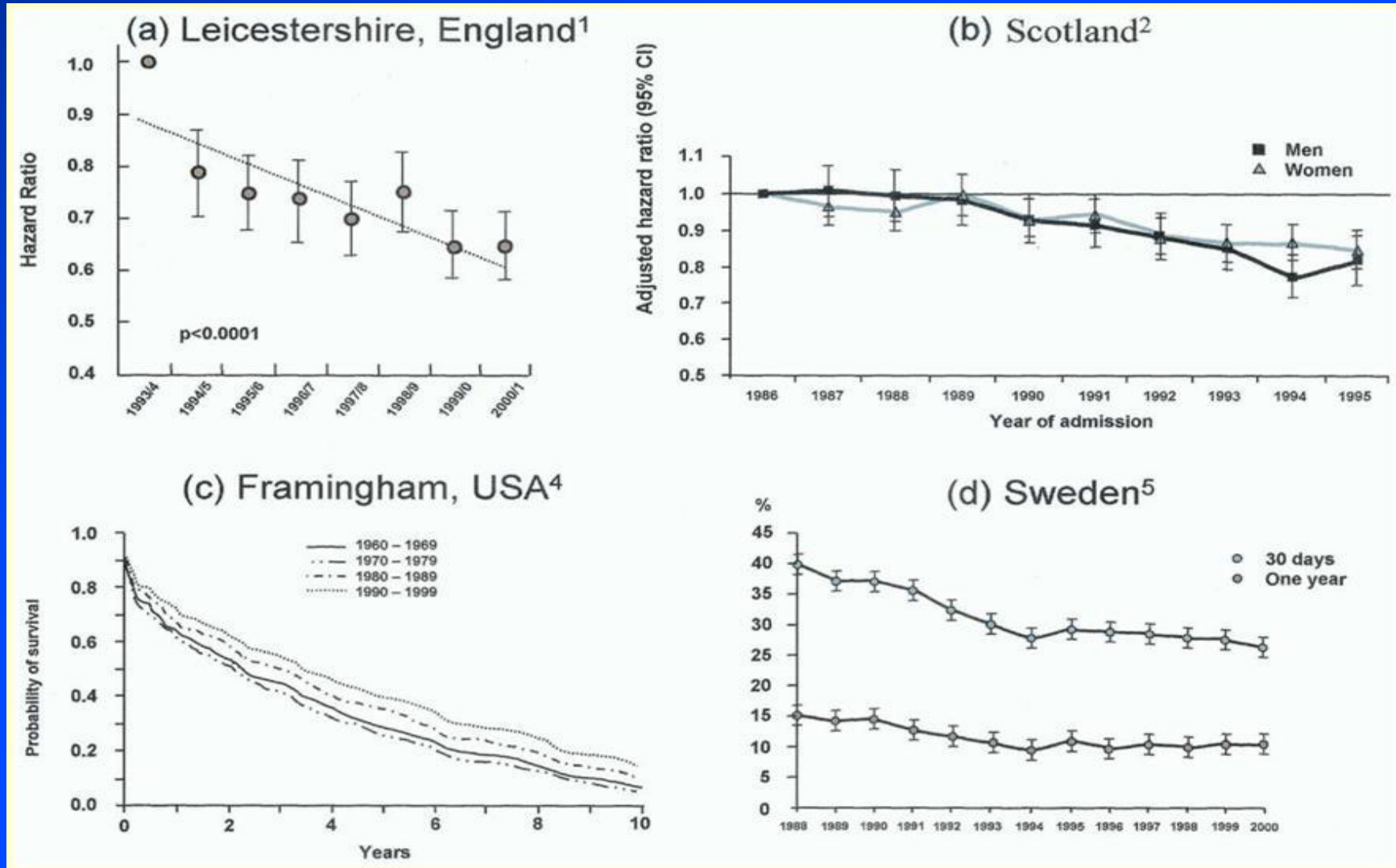
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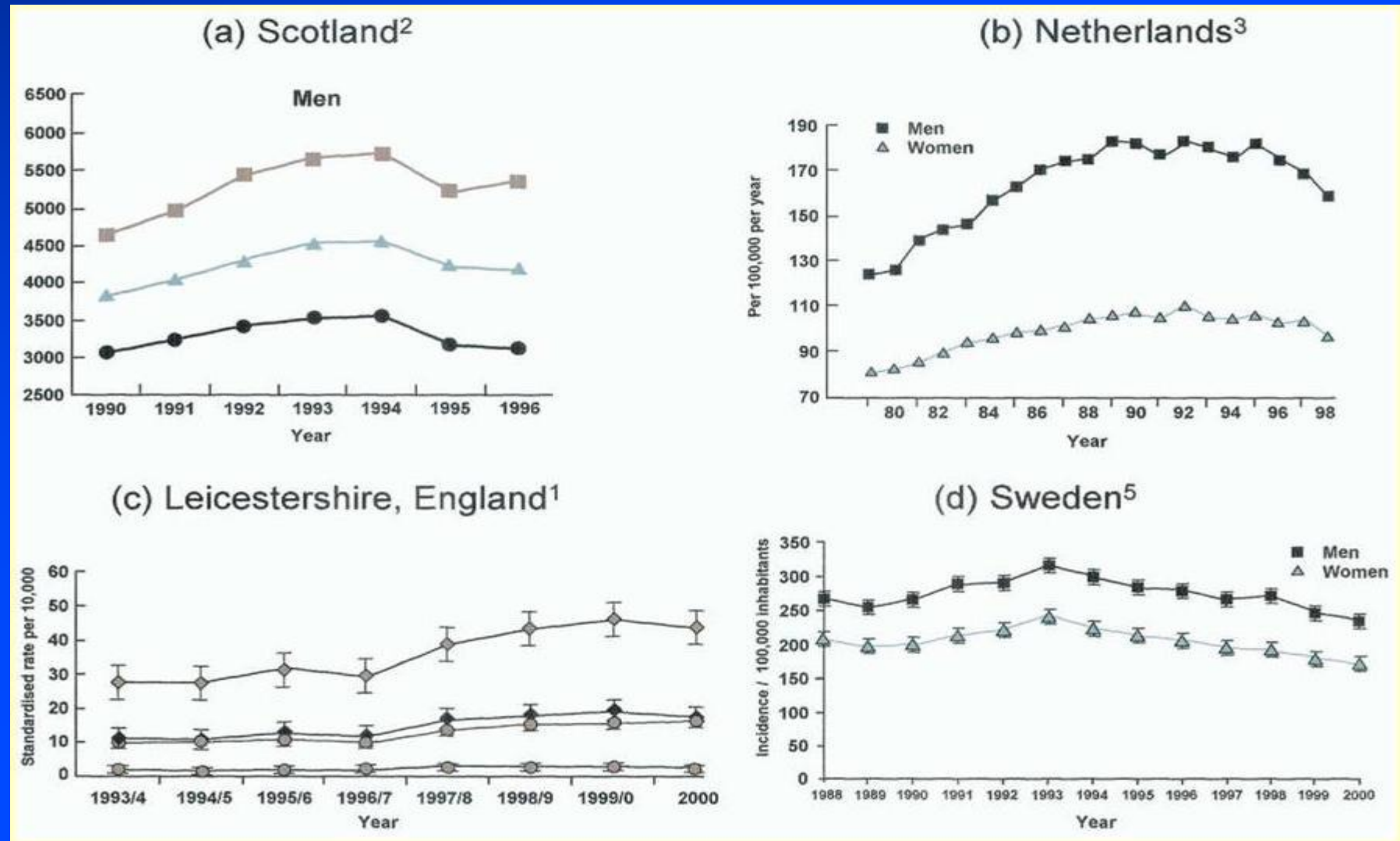
# Approaches to the patient with heart failure: implications from recent trials



# Evidence of improving survival from heart failure in the general population



# Recent trends in hospital admissions for heart failure demonstrating recent plateau or decline







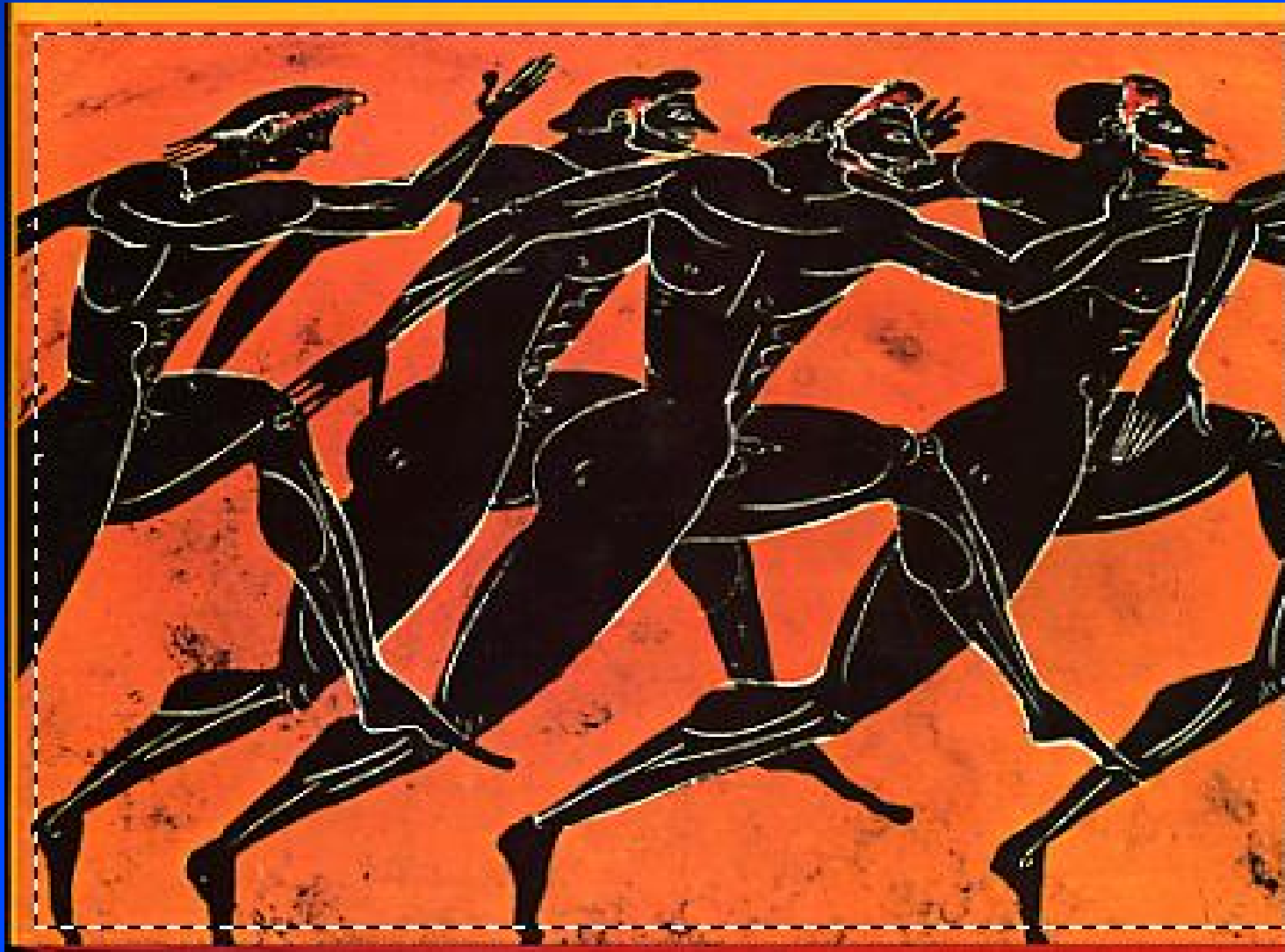
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## 2004: The Year in Heart Failure

Ø Η Καρδιακή ανεπάρκεια παραμένει ένα δυναμικό πεδίο

Ø Η θεραπεία συνεχίζει να βελτιώνεται, και επιτέλους το όφελος που παρατηρήθηκε στις μεγάλες μελέτες φαίνεται να περνά και στο γενικό πληθυσμό.

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