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# Revisiting Standards of Comparison in DES Trials

## SORT OUT IV, EXCELLENT, BASKET PROVE, ISAR TEST 4

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# Lessons Learned from Comparative DES Trials

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1. Class effect of existing DES is an oversimplification evidenced by comparative trials
2. Not all randomized trials are alike, and not all 'all comers' trials include everyone
3. How a stent fares in clinical practice may not always be represented through clinical trials
4. Despite their intuitive appeal, the threshold for novel and 'advanced generation' stent designs to demonstrate superiority over selected existing DES is formidable

## LESSON 1

### 3 Year Outcomes, N=1,342 Matched Comparison of EES vs SES

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End point	Everolimus (%)	Sirolimus (%)	HR (95% CI)	P value
<b>Death, MI, TVR*</b>	14.9	18.0	0.83 (0.68–1.0)	0.056
<b>MI</b>	3.3	5.0	0.62 (0.42–0.92)	0.017
<b>TVR</b>	7.0	9.6	0.76 (0.57–0.99)	0.039
<b>Definite stent thrombosis</b>	0.5	1.6	—	0.010
<b>Definite or probable stent thrombosis</b>	2.5	4.0	—	0.041

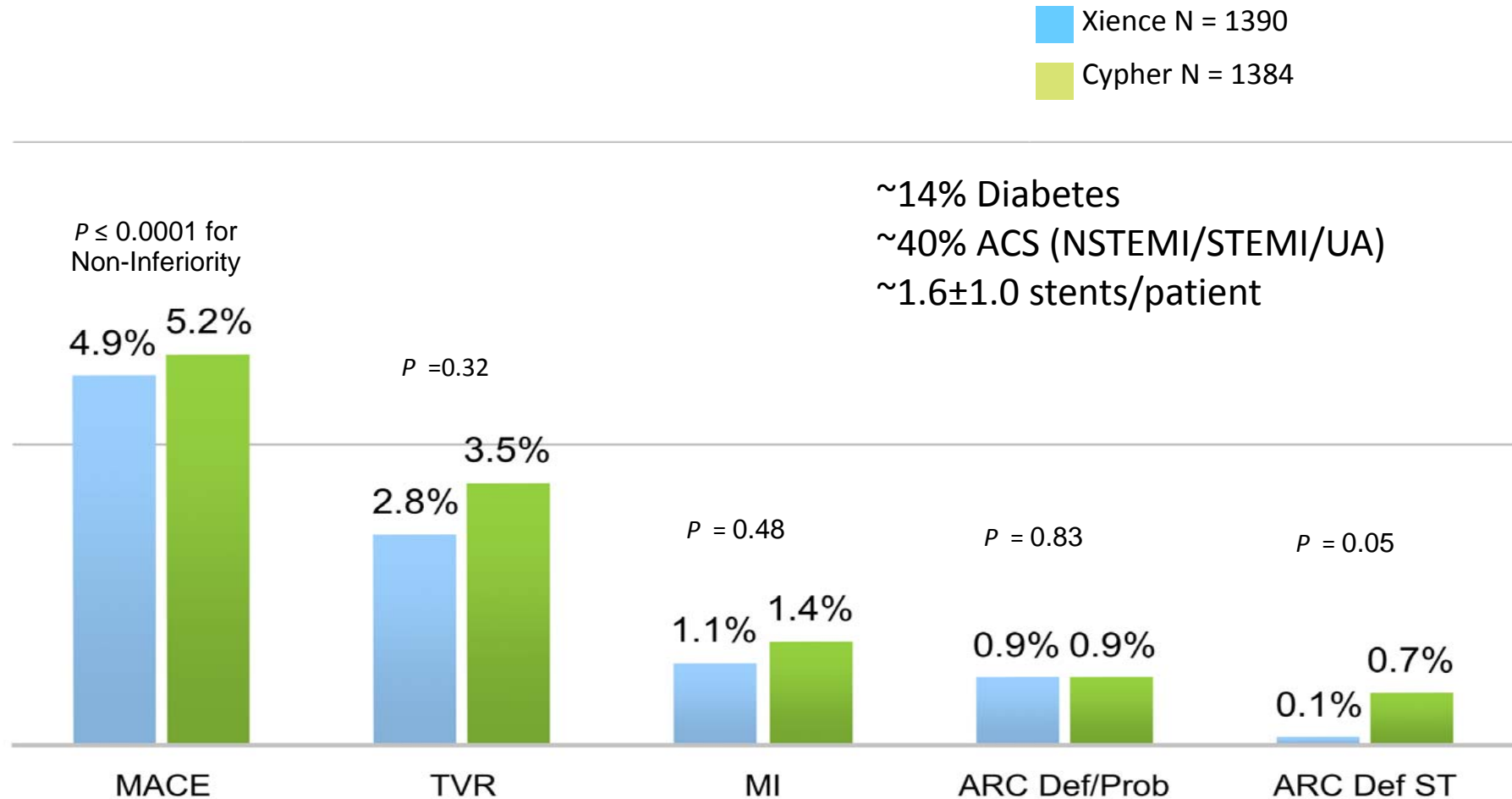
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\*Primary end point

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# SORT OUT IV

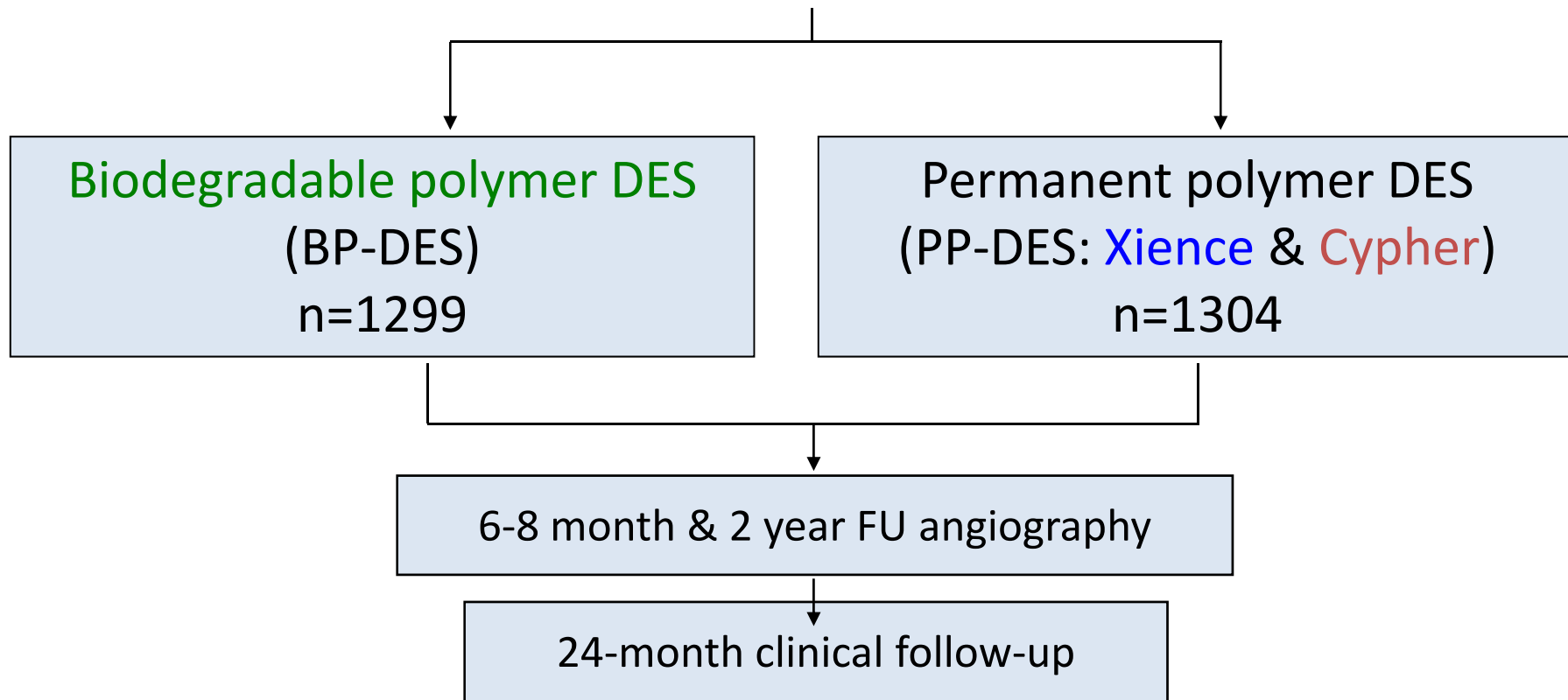
## Event Rates at 9 Months



# ISAR-TEST 4 Study Algorithm

Intracoronary Stenting and Angiographic Results:  
Test Efficacy of 3 Limus-Eluting Stents - 4

2603 patients with de novo lesions



# ISAR-TEST 4 EES vs. SES

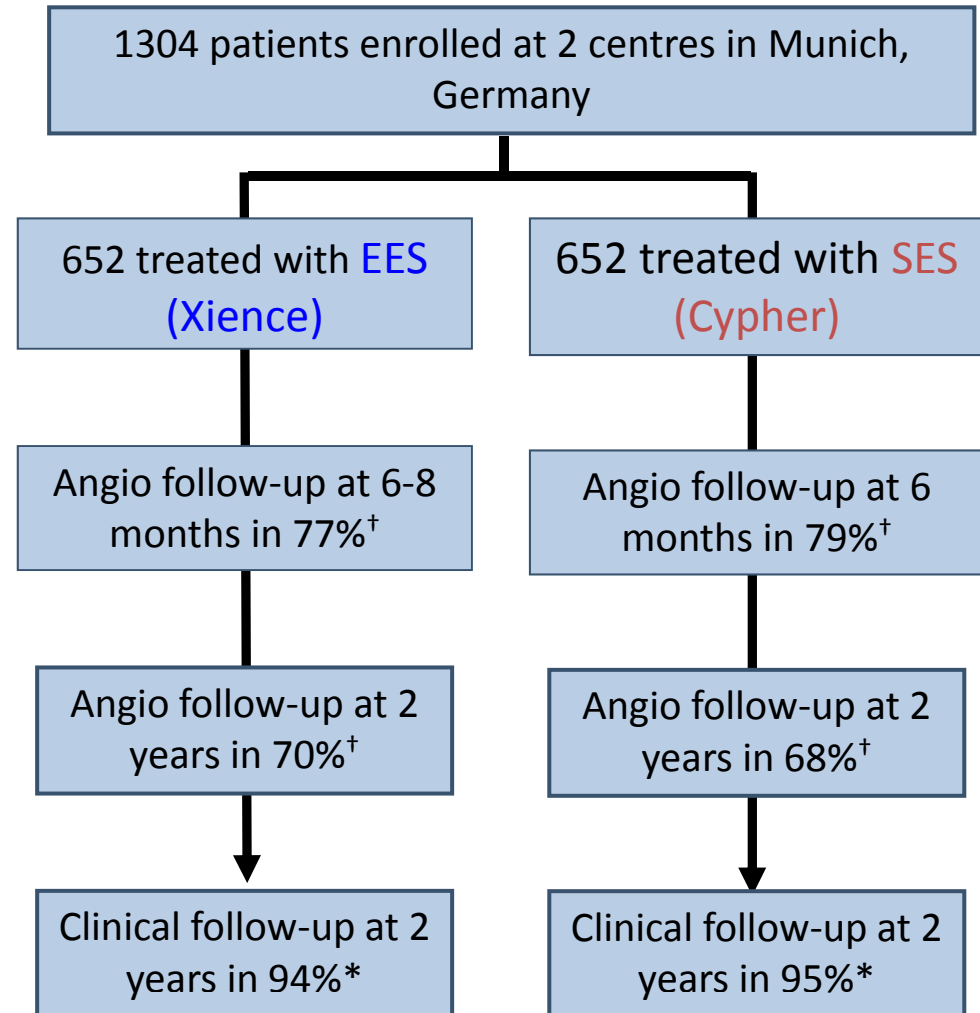
## Design

- **DESIGN:** Investigator-initiated, industry-independent, randomized, two-center clinical trial
- **INCLUSION:** Patients with de novo coronary artery stenosis  $\geq 50\%$  AND symptoms or objective evidence of ischaemia
- **EXCLUSION CRITERIA:** Left main stem disease  
Cardiogenic shock

~29% Diabetes

~41% ACS (NSTEMI/STEMI/UA)

~87% Multivessel Disease

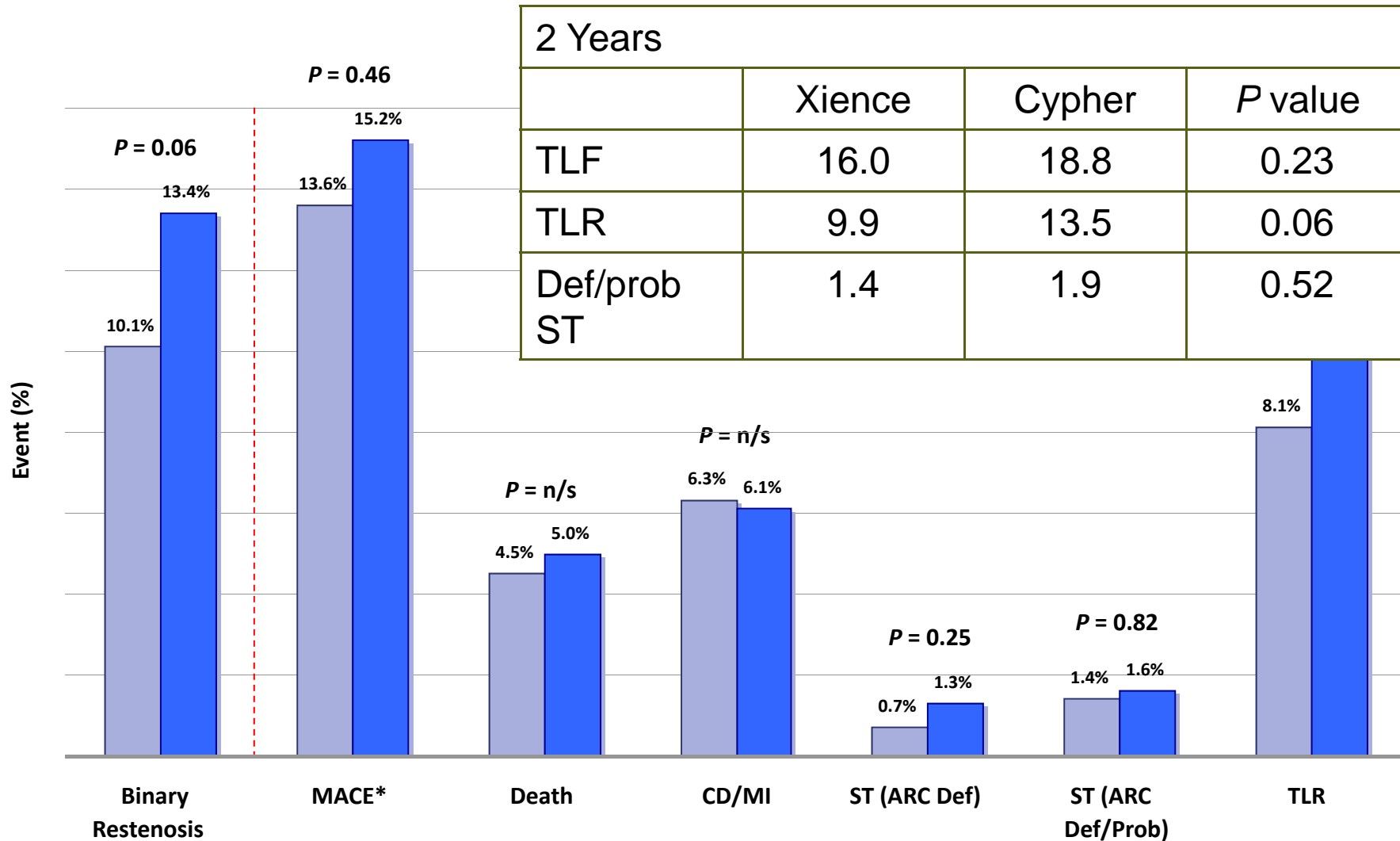


<sup>†</sup> of eligible

\* of incomplete, median FU = 12 [3-16] mos

# ISAR-TEST-4

## 1- and 2-Year Outcomes: Cypher SES vs Xience EES



\*MACE = CD, MI, TLR

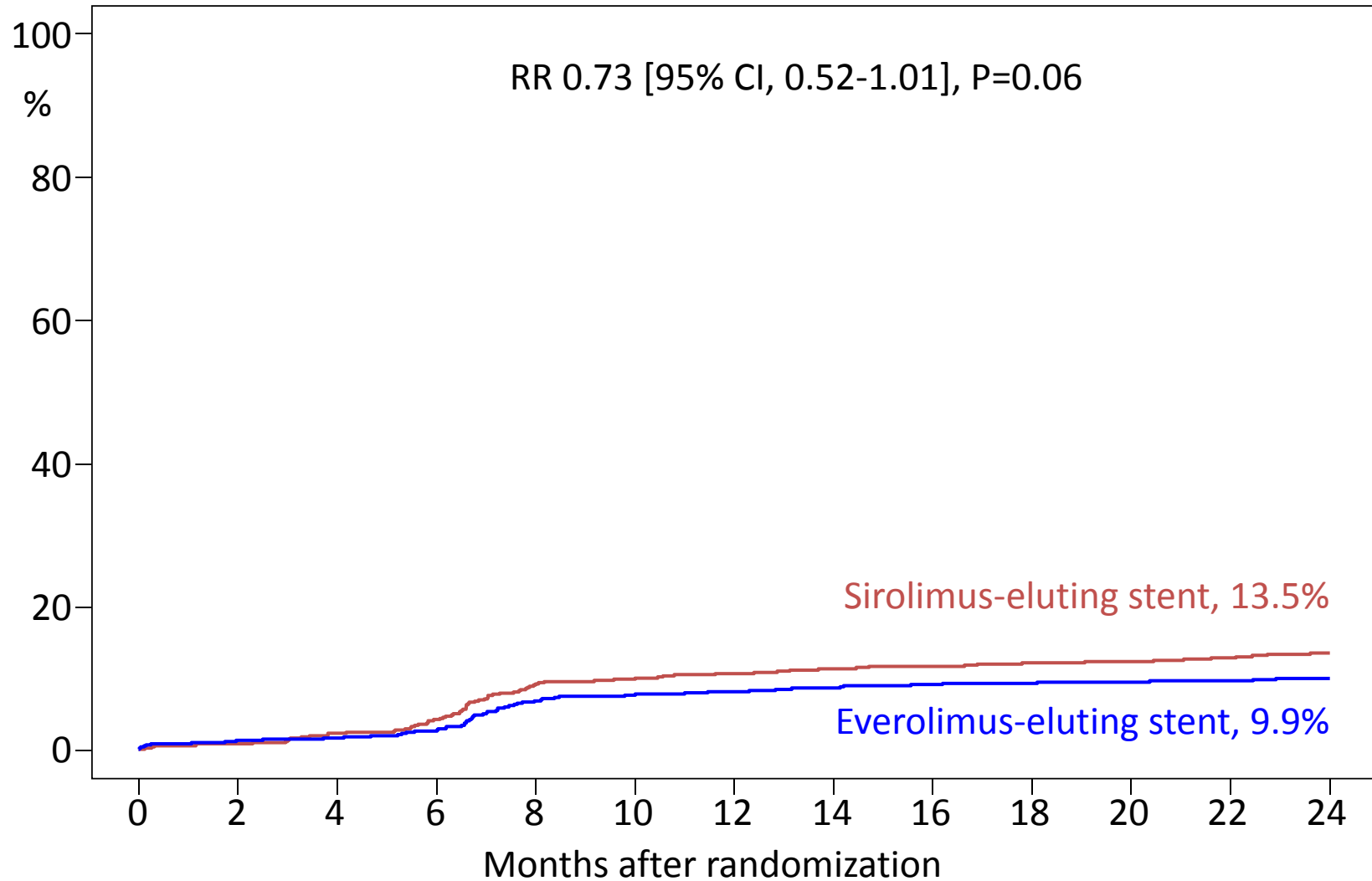
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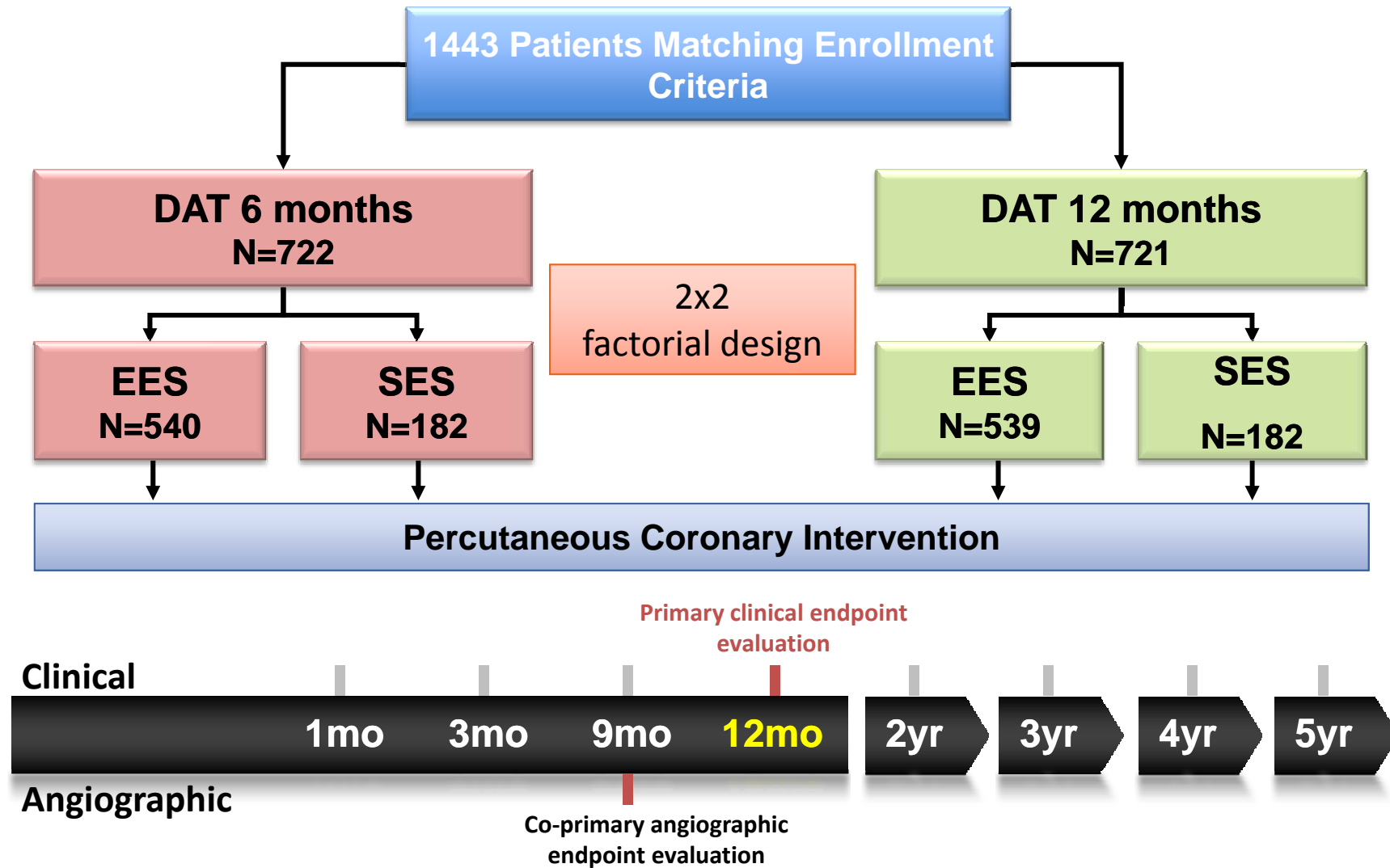
## 2-Year Target Lesion Revascularization

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# EXCELLENT

Prospective, open label, two-arm, randomized multi-center trial



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## Patient Eligibility

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### Inclusion Criteria

- > 50% stenosis by visual estimation
- Evidence of myocardial ischemia
  - ✓ Stable angina
  - ✓ Unstable angina
  - ✓ Recent infarction, silent ischemia
  - ✓ + functional study or reversible changes in the ECG c/w ischemia
- Target lesion must be located in a native coronary artery
- $2.25\text{mm} \leq \text{RVD} \leq 4.25\text{mm}$
- Lesion length: no limitation
- Multiple stenting: no limitation

### General Exclusion Criteria

- GI or GU bleeding  $\leq 3$  months, major surgery  $\leq 2$  months
- $\text{Hb} < 10 \text{ g/dL}$ ,  $\text{PLT} < 100\text{K}$
- Elective surgical procedure planned  $\leq 12$  months
- **LVEF < 25%, or in shock**
- **MI  $\leq 72$  hours**
- **Creatinine level  $\geq 3.0\text{mg/dL}$  or dependence on dialysis**
- Severe hepatic dysfunction ( $\text{AST}, \text{ALT} \geq \text{x3 UNL}$ )
- Patients who have received any stent implantation in the target vessel prior to enrollment

### Angiographic Exclusion Criteria

- **Patients with significant LM stenosis**
- **BMS or DES ISR**
- **CTO**
- **True bifurcation lesions requiring two stents**

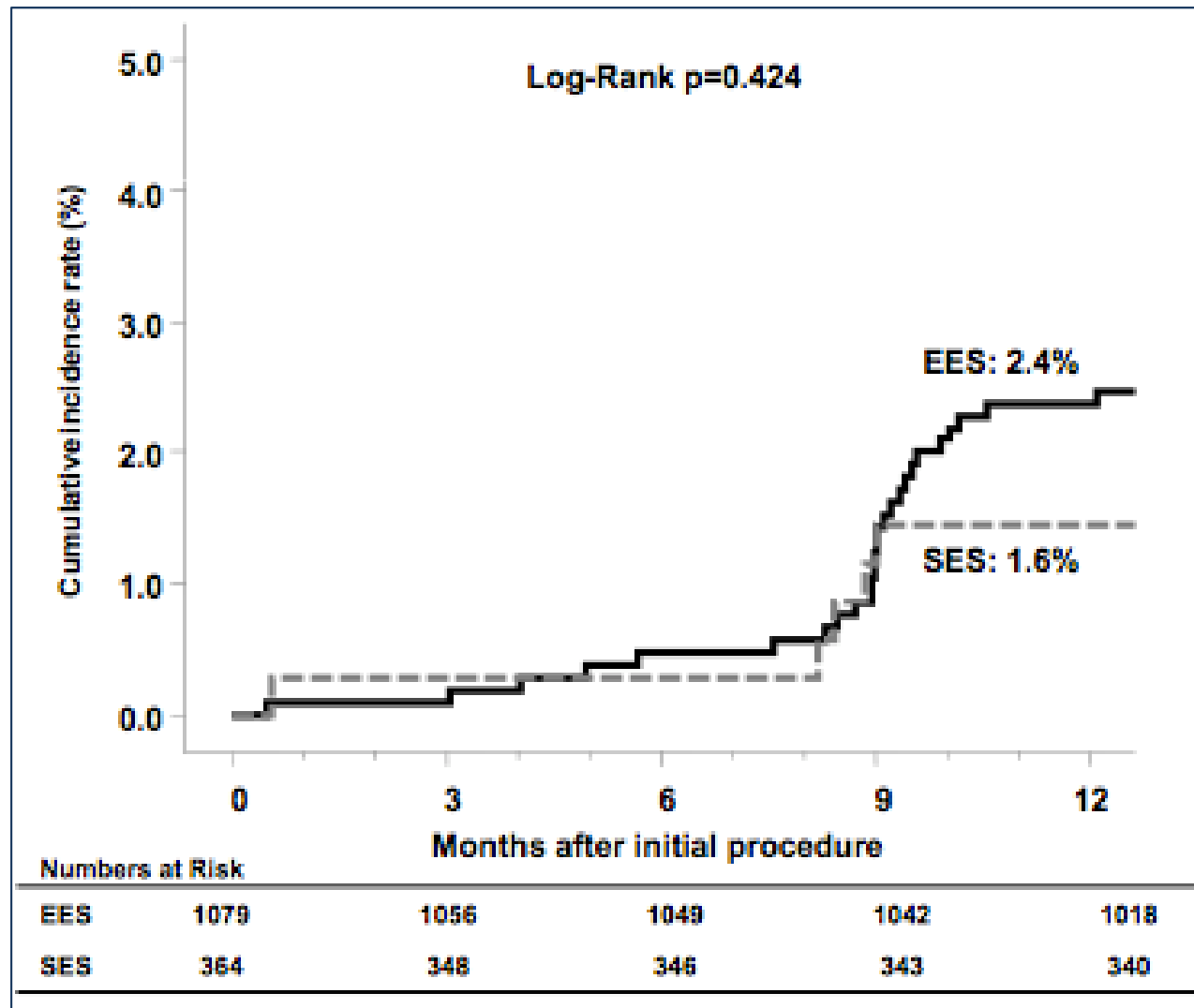
# EXCELLENT

## 9 Month Angiographic and 1-Year Clinical Outcomes

	Sirolimus, N=266	Everolimus N=935	P Value
Angiographic Outcomes			
In-Stent Late Loss, mm	0.15±0.33	0.19±0.33	0.005 <sub>Noninferiority</sub>
In-Segment Late Loss, mm	0.05±0.34	0.10±0.36	0.017 <sub>Noninferiority</sub>
Clinical Outcomes, %			
TLF	3.0	3.7	0.58
Cardiac Death/MI	1.9	1.5	0.55
TLR	1.6	2.4	0.42
Def/prob ST	0.8	0.4	0.27

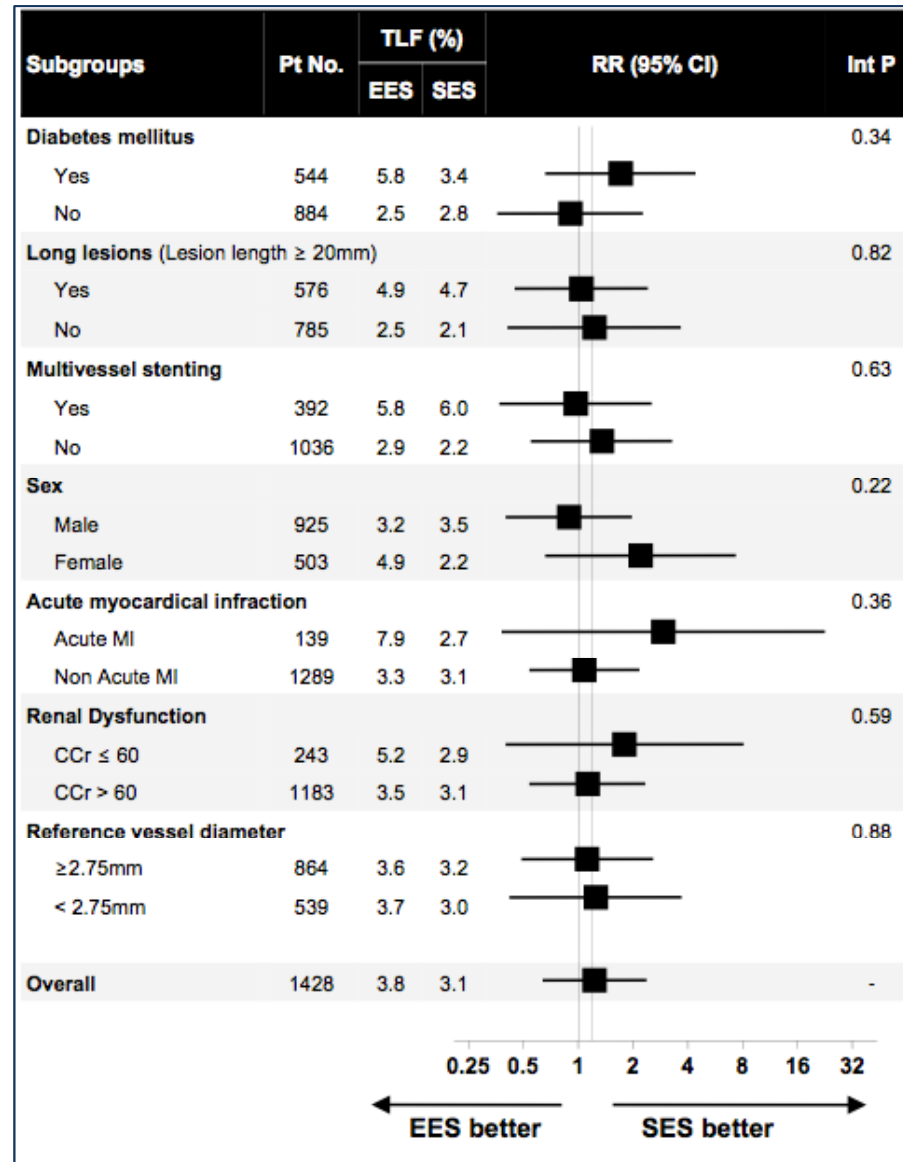
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## 1 Year Target Lesion Revascularization



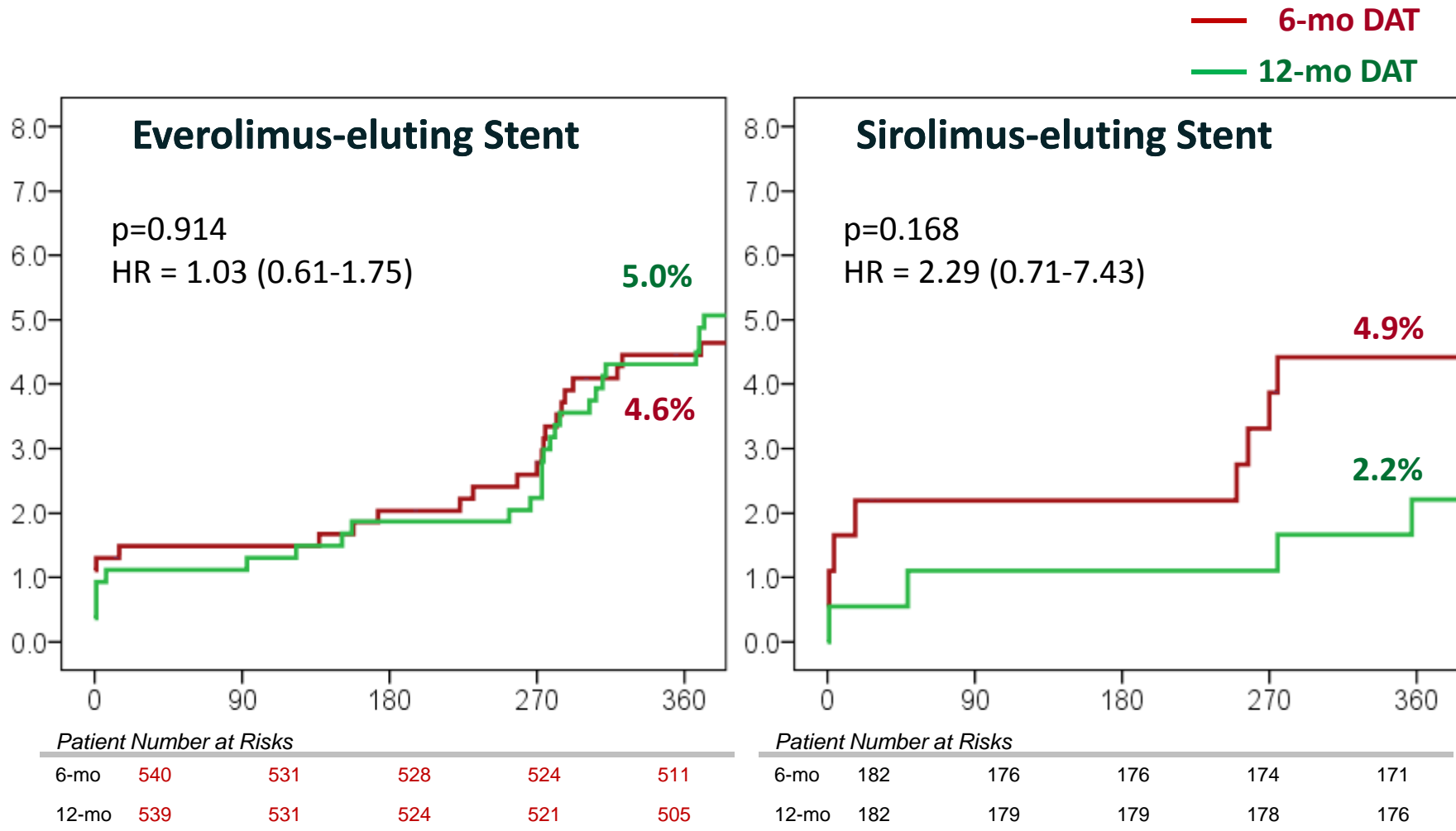
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## Subgroup Analysis



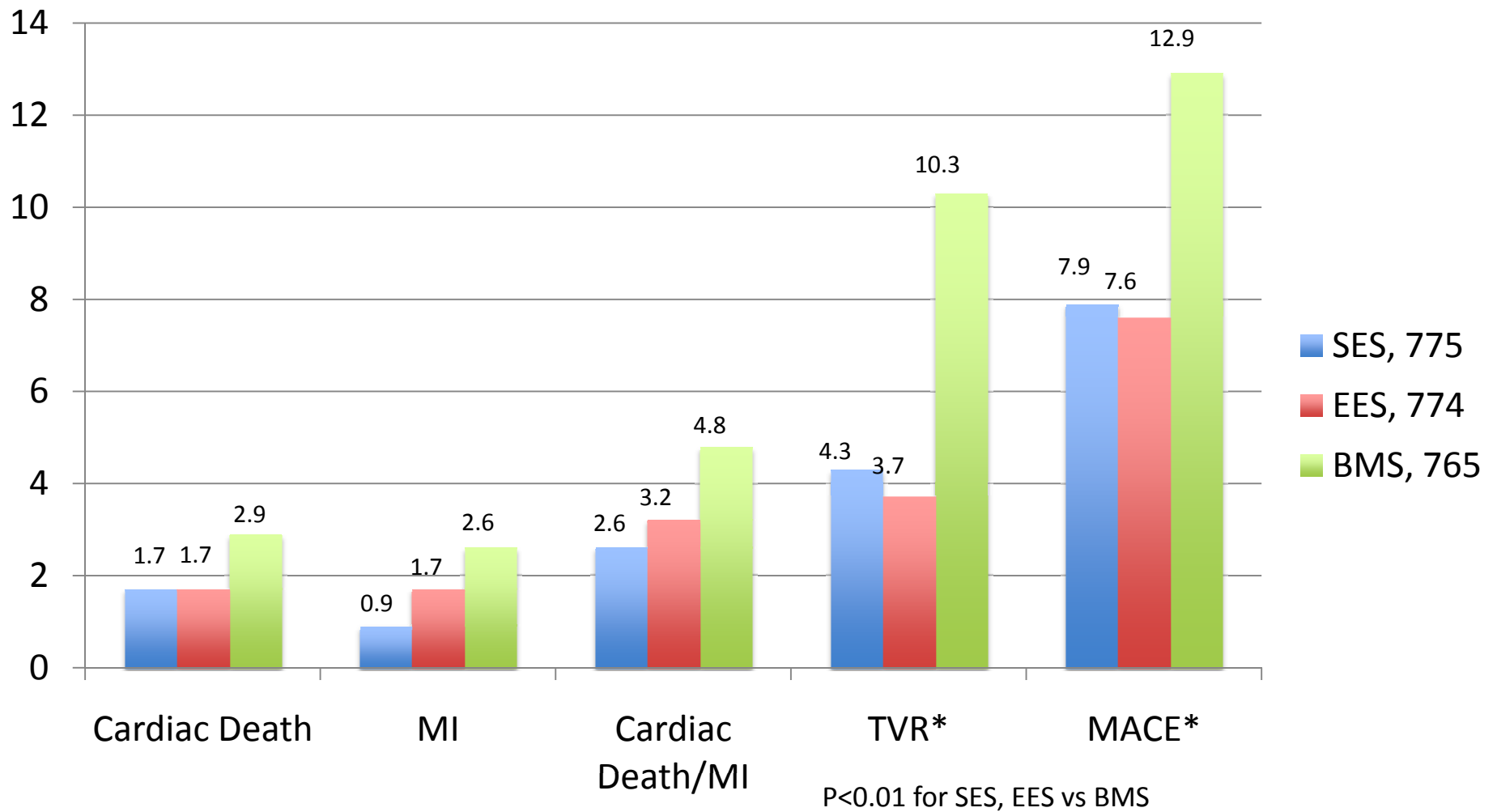
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## 1-Year TVF According to Stent Type and DAPT Duration

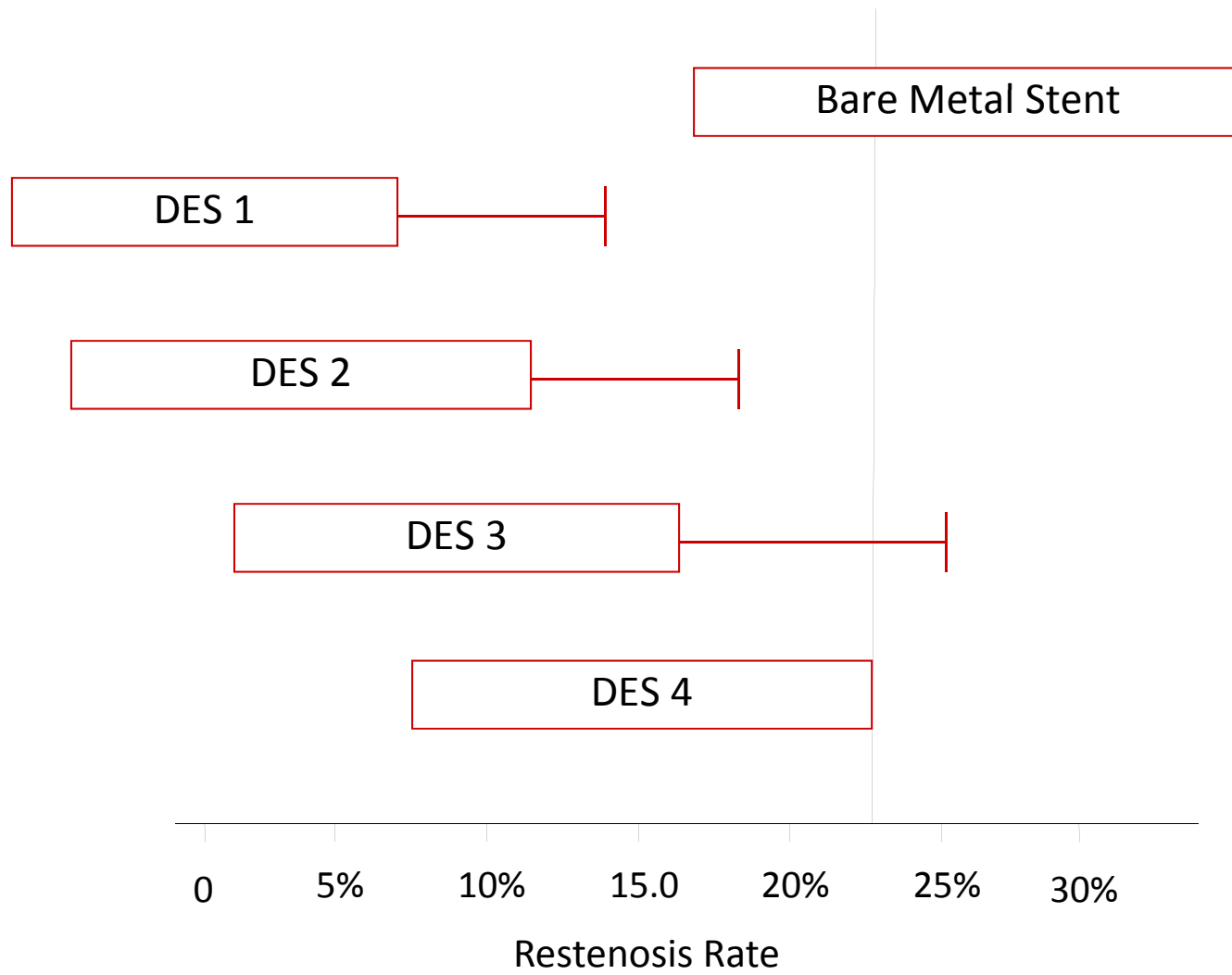


# BASKET PROVE

## 2-Year Outcomes for Vessel Caliber $\geq 3.0$







## Revisiting Standards of Comparison in DES Trials

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- › While recent comparative study has highlighted safety and efficacy differences with new DES compared with PES, no well designed trial to date has demonstrated superiority to SES
- › As newer DES are introduced, adoption will be driven more by intuition than scientific evidence as the opportunity to refine outcomes is increasingly difficult
  - › ‘Next generation’ in *most* instances will represent iterative modifications to existing platforms rather than ‘game changing’ technology
- › Rather than focus on device approval through non-inferiority, an opportunity exists for new technologies to inform existing practice with new DES