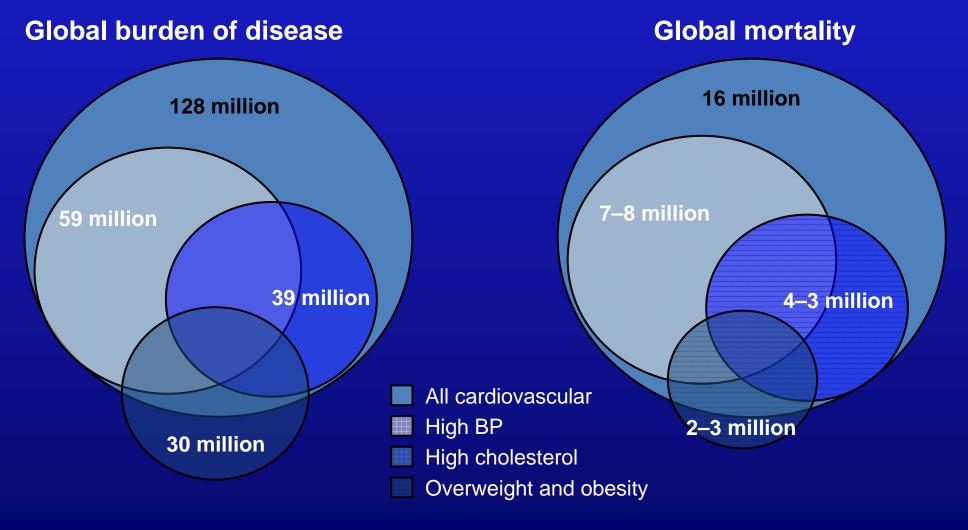
# Improving Effect of ARB to Asian Hypertension Patients

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## Hypertension is the most powerful risk factor for cardiovascular morbidity and mortality

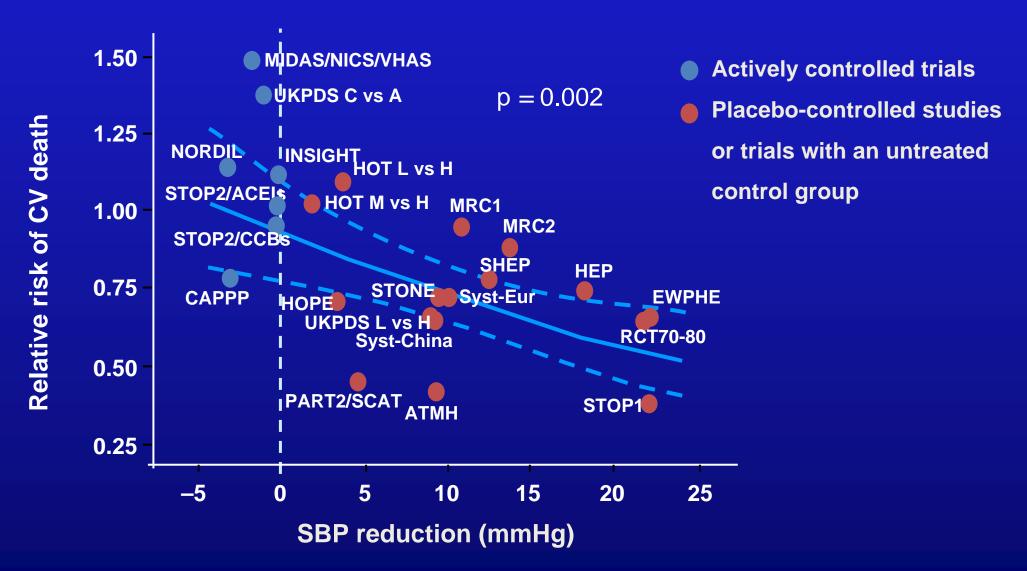


### How about hypertension in Asia

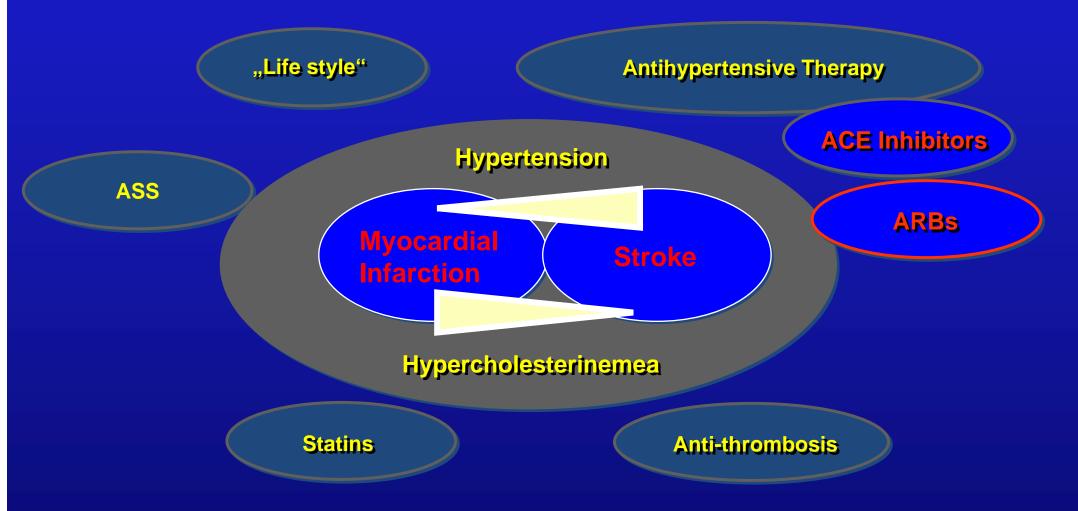
Region	Death	Disability*			
East Asia & Pacific	13.6%	6.5%			
Europe & Central Asia	35.0%	19.6%			
Latin America & The Caribbean	13.0%	5.1%			
Middle East & North Africa	16.5%	6.1%			
South Asia	9.6%	4.3%			
Sub-Saharan Africa	4.0%	1.7%			
Low-/ middle-income economies	12.9%	5.6%			
High-income economies	17.6%	9.3%			
World .	13.5%	6.0%			

<sup>\*</sup> Disability-adjusted life years

#### **BP** reduction reduces CV risk



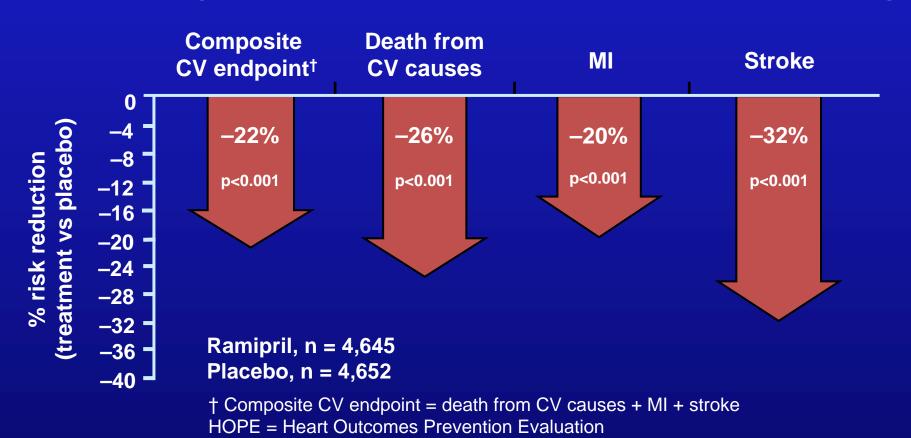
#### Interaction between Risk and Therapy



**RAS-Inhibition – CV Global Protection?** 

## The ACEi ramipril reduces CV mortality and morbidity in CV high-risk patients

HOPE: CV high-risk patients; mean baseline SBP/DBP 139/79 mmHg



# Concerns about Angiotensin receptor blockers (ARB)

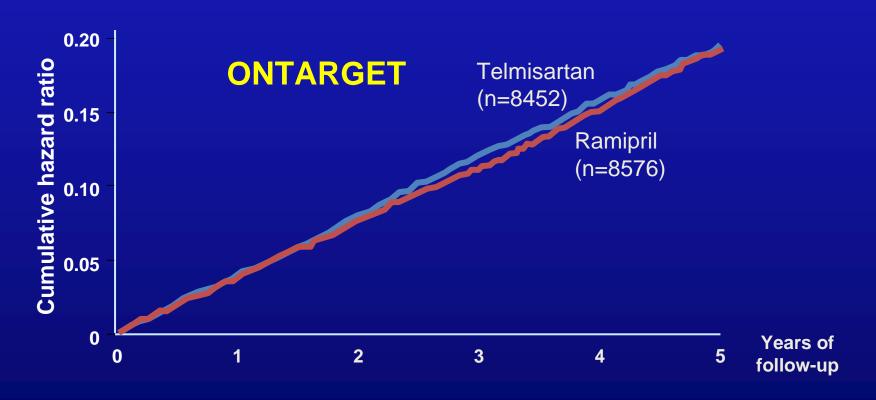
- ARBs 'may increase myocardial infarction': ARB-MI Paradox
  Verma and Strauss. BMJ 2004;329:1248
- There were similar BP-dependent effects of ACE inhibitors and ARBs for the risk of stroke, coronary artery disease, & heart failure. And only for ACE inhibitors but not for ARBs, was there evidence of a BP-independent effect on the risk of major coronary disease events.

BP lowering treatment trialists collaboration, J Hypertens 2007;25:951

## The ARB telmisartan is similarly effective to ACE inhibitor ramipril in preventing CV events in CV high-risk patients

#### Reduction in composite CV risk

(Primary endpoint: CV mortality, non-fatal MI, hospitalisation for CHF, non-fatal stroke)



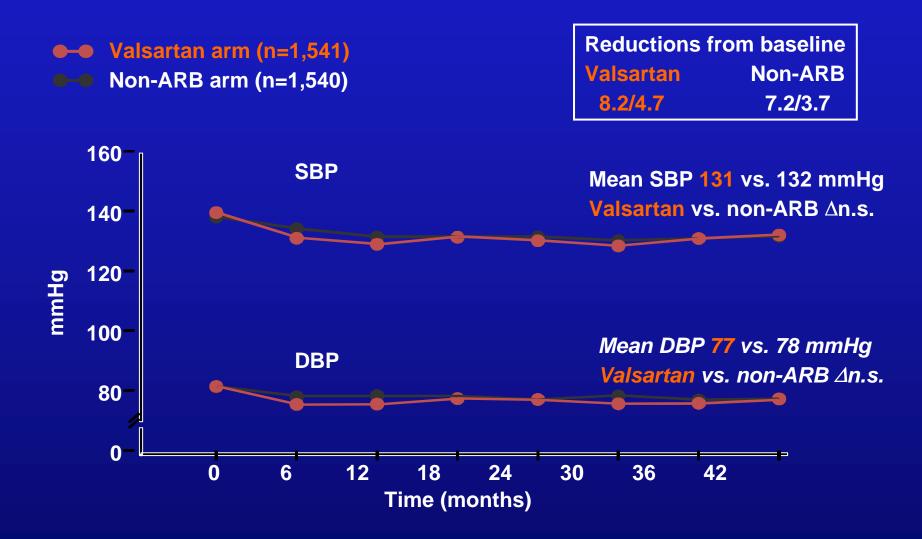
## Valsartan in a Japanese population with HT and other CVD (Jikei Heart Study):

#### a randomised, open-label, blinded endpoint morbidity-mortality study

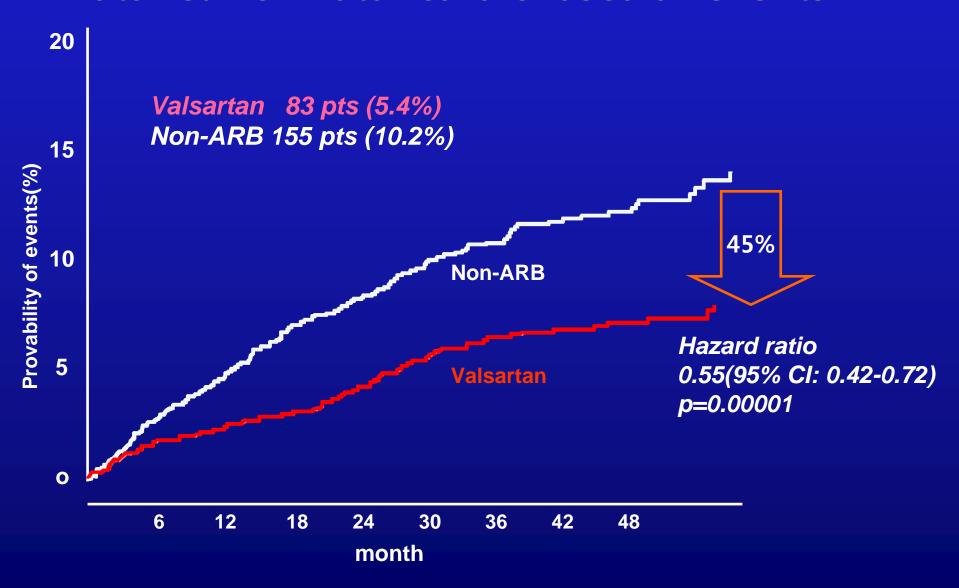
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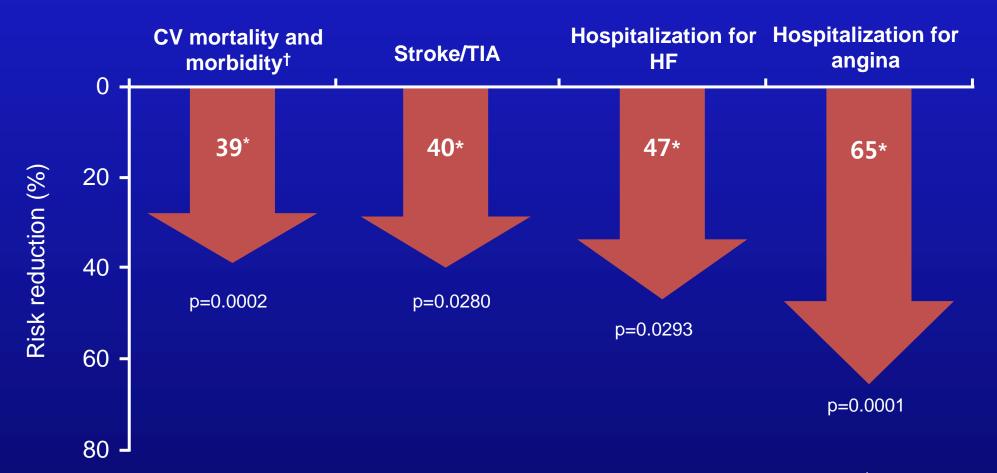
#### **Blood Pressure Results**



## Primary endpoint Fatal & non-fatal cardiovascular events



#### ARB Effects on Asian Hypertension *JIKEI Heart study*



\*With valsartan-based therapy compared with non-ARB therapy †Primary endpoint

TIA = transient ischemic attack

### Effect of valsartan in Japanese hypertensive patients with coronary artery disease:

**Results from the Jikei Heart Study** 





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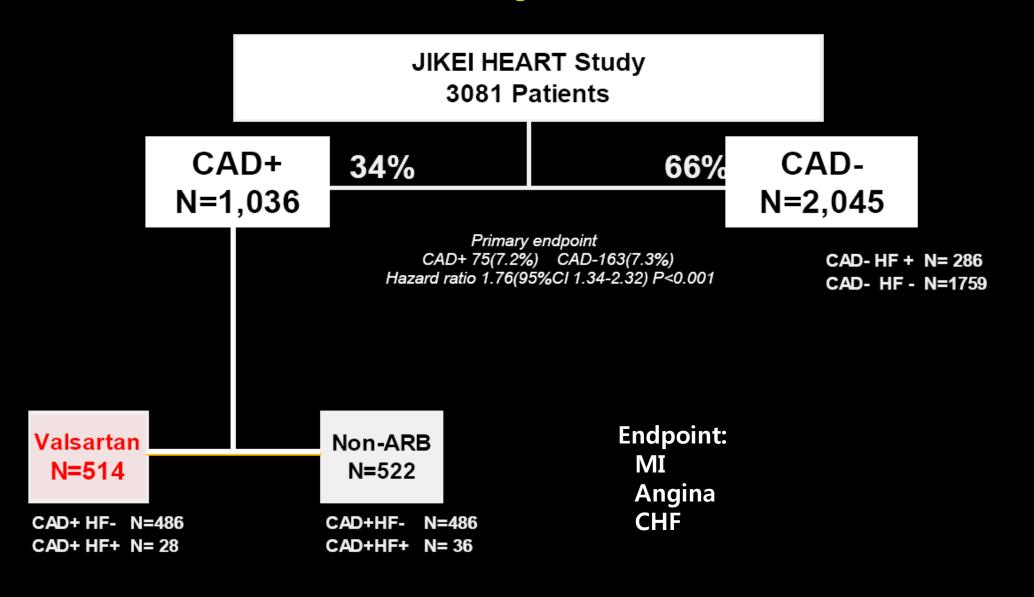
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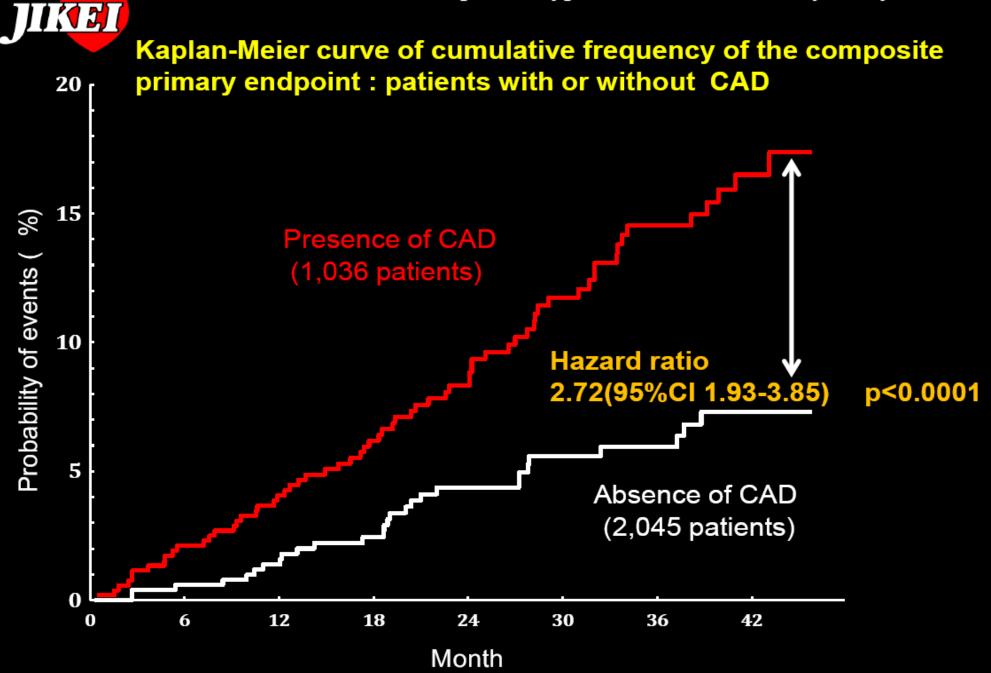
The risk of cardiac events in hypertensive patients with coronary artery disease (CAD) was higher than in those without CAD. We here report the result of a subanalysis of a large-scale trial [JIKEI HEART Study (JHS)] which demonstrated that the addition of the angiotensin Il receptor blocker (ARB) valsartan to standard cardiovascular treatments significantly reduced the primary composite endpoint of cardiovascular complications as compared with conventional treatments without ARB in Japanese patients.



Effect of valsartan in Japanese hypertensive with coronary artery disease

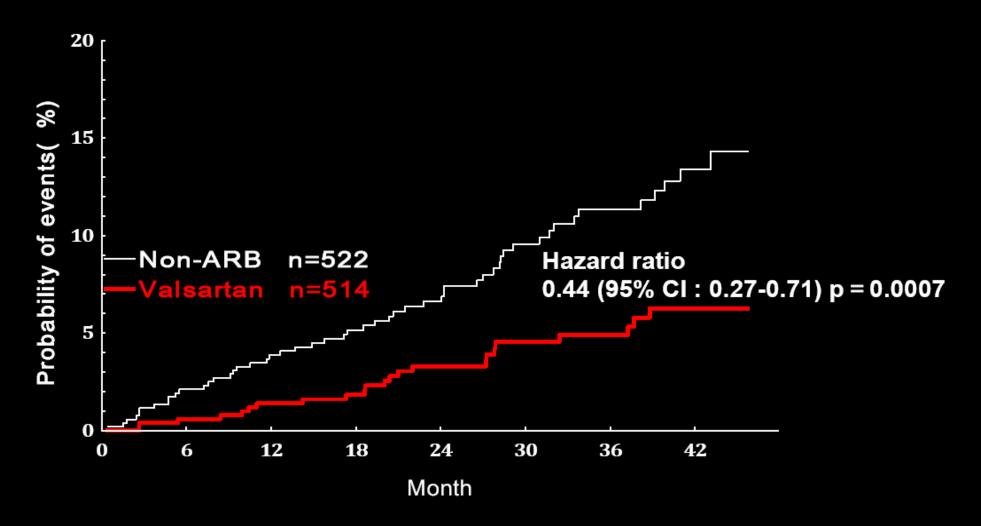
#### Trial profile





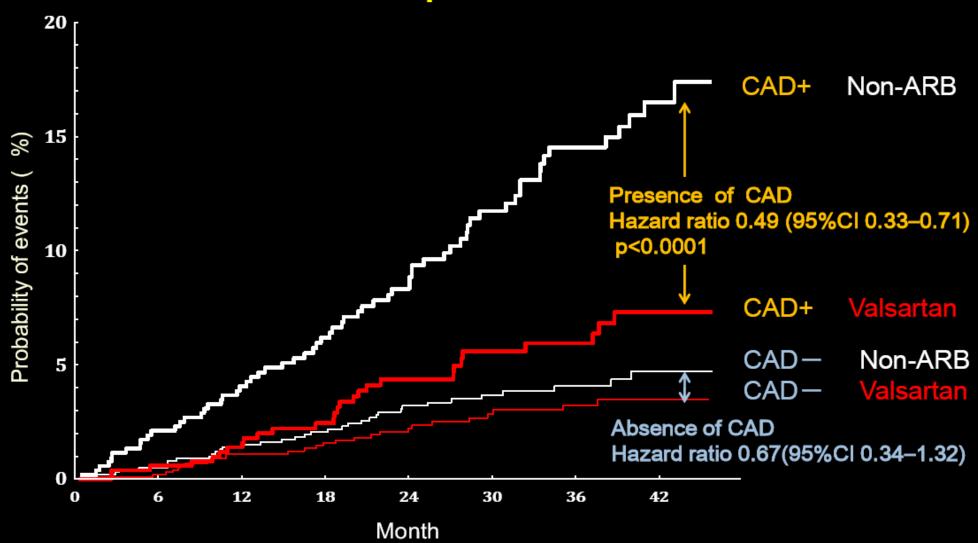


### Kaplan-Meier curve of cumulative frequency of the fatal and non-fatal coronary events : patients with CAD



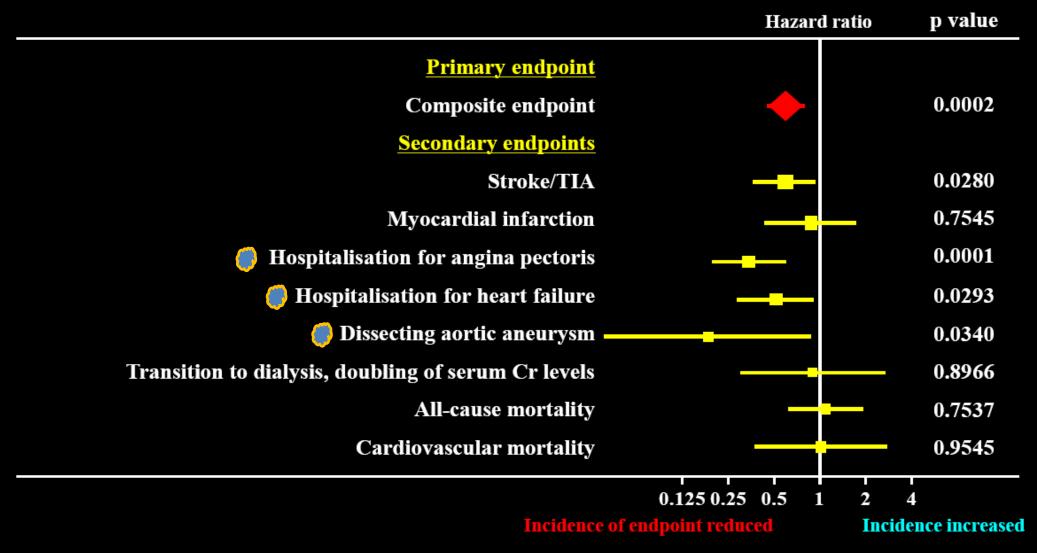


### Kaplan-Meier curve of cumulative frequency of the cardiac events: patients with or without CAD



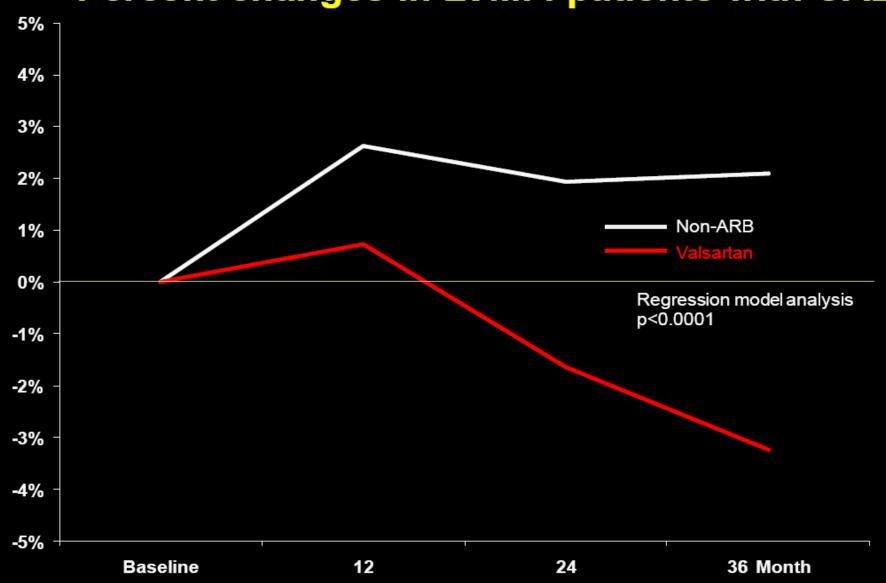


#### **Effect of treatment on endpoints**





#### Percent changes in LVMI: patients with CAD



KYOTO HEART Study: Effect of Valsartan on cardiovascular outcomes in patients with high-risk hypertension: updated ancillary analyses



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## Study background and hypothesis

- Although many reports show that ACEi and ARB are superior for prevention of CV events, data are not enough for the patients with high risk hypertension.
- In Japan, there were only a few large-scale trials for CVD prevention, and it has not been clarified whether the evident in Western countries could be unqualifiedly applied to Japanese patients.
- Valsartan will improve the CV morbidity and mortality when added to the conventional antihypertensive treatment in high-risk Japanese patients with uncontrolled hypertension.



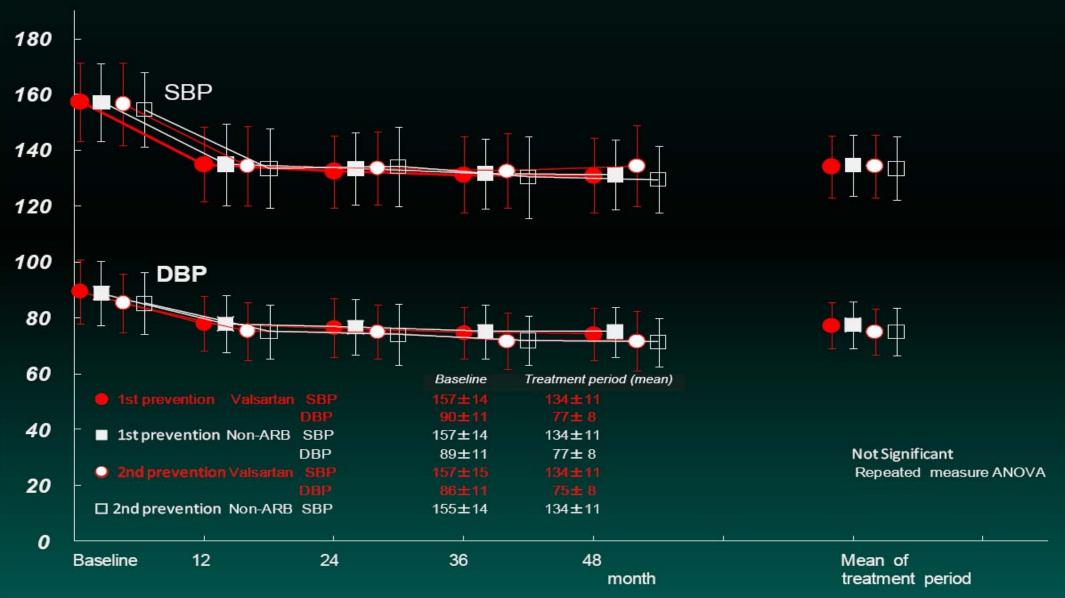
#### Study purpose

As the ancillary analysis of the KYOTO HEART study, we investigated:

- 1) Effects of valsartan on primary and secondary prevention
- Combination therapy with calcium channel blockers (CCB)
- 3) Additional analysis of angina & stroke events



#### **Changes of Blood pressure**





#### Primary & secondary prevention

#### KYOTO HEART Study n=3031

Coronary heart disease (n= 707) Cerebrovascular disease (n= 123) Heart failure (n= 193)

Primary endpoint Hazard ratio 2.65 (95%CI 2.01-3.50) p<0.0001

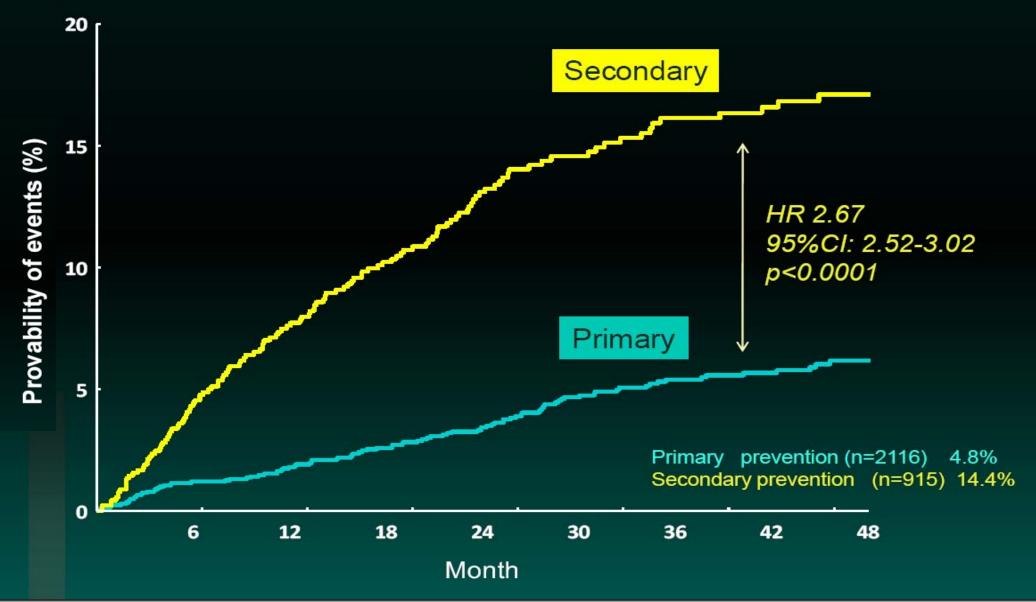
Absence of CV disease n=2116

Presence of CV disease n=915

Valsartan \_n=1065 Non-ARB n=1051 Valsartan n=452 Non-ARB n=463

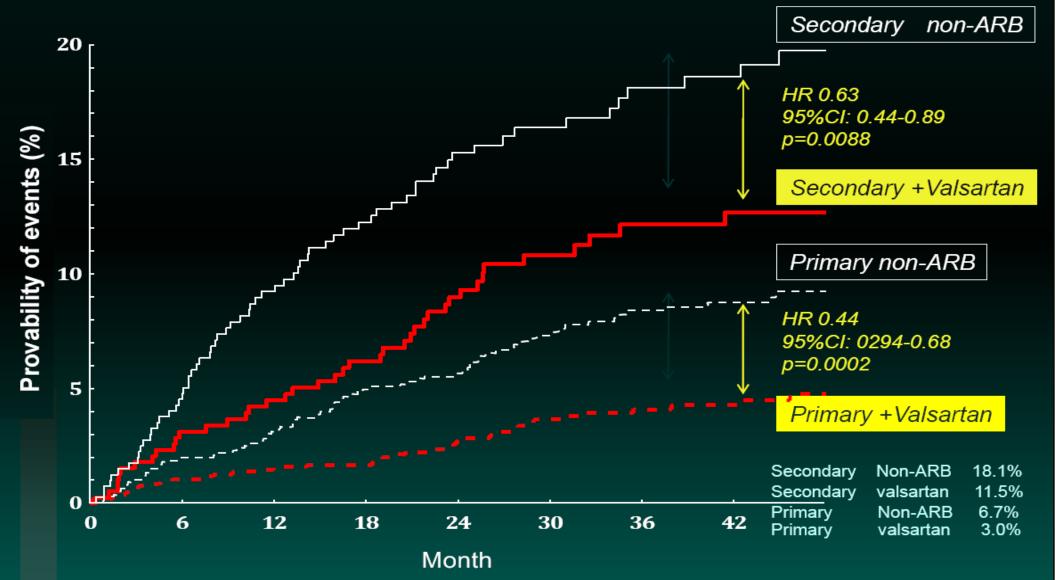


## Comparison between primary and secondary prevention



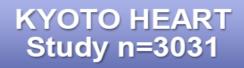


## Effect of valsartan for primary and secondary prevention





#### **Combination therapy with CCB**



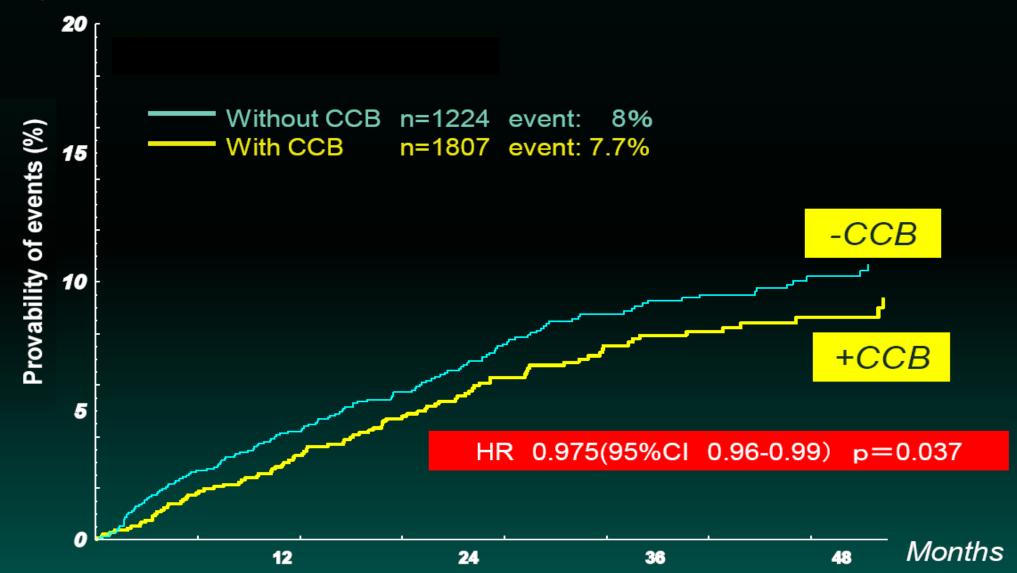
'With CCB' is defined as the usage of CCBs more than 12months.

With CCB n=1807 Without CCB n=1224

Valsartan+CC B N=773 Non-ARB+CCB n=1034 Valsartan+Oth ers n=744 Non-ARB+Others n=480

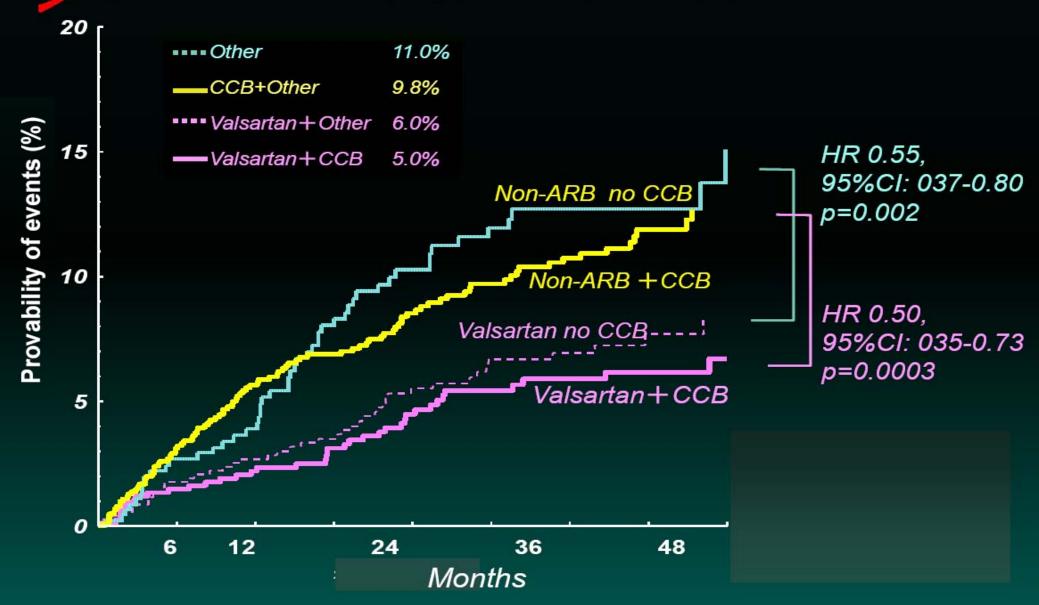


### Comparison between With CCB and Without CCB





## Combination therapy With valsartan and CCB

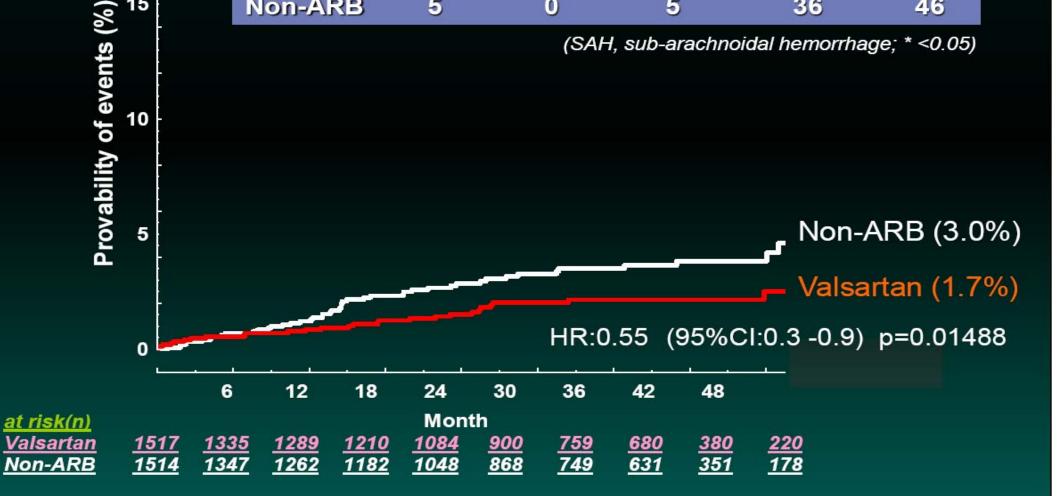




#### analysis of stroke events

	TIA	SAH	Bleeding	Infarction*	Total
Valsartan	4	1	2	18	25
Non-ARB	5	0	5	36	46

(SAH, sub-arachnoidal hemorrhage; \* <0.05)





#### ART Hazard ratio and 95% confidence intervals

Event	Valsartan 1517	Non-ARB 1514	0.25 0.5 1.0 2.0	HR	95%CI	р
Angina	22 1.45%	44 2.91%		0.51	0.30 - 0.90	0.0106
Effort	16 1.05%	34 2.25%		0.47	0.26 - 0.86	0.0134
Unstable	3 0.20%	9 0.59%		0.33	0.09 - 1.22	0.0974
Unknown	3 0.20%	1 0.06%				
AMI	7 0.46%	11 0.73%		0.65	0.20 - 1.80	0.6500
ACS	10 0.66%	20 1.32%		0.53	0.24 - 1.14	0.1019
Coronary	29 1.91%	55 3.63%		0.54	0.35 - 0.85	0.0082

AMI, acute myocardial infarction; ACS, acute coronary syndrome, AMI+unstable angina; Coronary, all events

#### Summary

- In JIKEY HEART Sub-Study done in 3081 Japanese patients with hypertension, coronary heart disease, and/or heart failure, valsartan adding to conventional therapy resulted in significant 51% reduction in the risk of CV events in CAD patients.
- In the KYOTO HEART subanalysis stratified among primary- and secondary-prevention patients,
  - the benefit of treatment was largest among primary-prevention patients,
     56%, and 37% among secondary-prevention patients, which, while
     smaller, was still statistically significant.
  - patients treated with the valsartan-CCB combination had lower event rates compared with patients in the non-ARB/CCB arm (5.0% vs 9.8%).

## **Conclusion: ARB in Japanese Hypertensives**

 ARB is, at least, as effective in Japanese hypertensives as shown in Western patients.
 This is probably true in other eastern Asians.

"ARBs might not be inferior to ACEis with respect to prevention of MI and CV death". Therefore, there exits BP-independent effect of ARB in hypertension with high CV risk.



#### Summary

- Valsartan was more effective for both primary prevention (3.0% vs 6.7%) and secondary prevention (11.5% vs 18.1%), in which primary stroke and secondary AP events are significantly inhibited, respectively.
- Combination with Valsartan+CCB showed lower primary events than non-ARB+CCB (5.0% vs 9.8%)
- Stroke prevention by Valsartan was mainly due to inhibition of cerebral infarction (18 vs 36) but not bleeding.
- Valsartan was significantly effective for prevention of effort angina (1.1% vs 2.3%), but not for unstable angina (0.20% vs 0.59%, p=0.10).