

# Duration of Dual Antiplatelet Therapy : Less than 6~12months

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# ESC Congress News



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## Do drug-eluting stents increase deaths?

TWO SEPARATE, independent meta-analyses, presented in Hot Line session I, suggest drug-eluting stents (DES) may increase death, Q-wave myocardial infarction (clinical surrogates of in-stent thrombosis) and cancer deaths, bringing the long-term safety of DES firmly into the spotlight. Discussant Salim Yusuf (McMaster University, Canada) hailed the data as one of the most important presentations to come out of this year's meeting.

"Six million people in the world have been implanted with DES, yet their long-term safety and efficacy is unknown," said Yusuf. "I've a feeling the data we're seeing today is only the tip of the iceberg. We need to encourage more



obtain this data from the manufacturer," said Nordmann. He speculated that the increase in cancer might be due to a rapid impairment of the immune system.

Yusuf widened the debate to include percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI). "The overuse of PCI is an insidious change in the culture of cardiology that needs to be reversed," he said. The use of PCI was established in MI, high-risk unstable angina and cardiogenic shock. However, its use in stable disease was a totally different question.

"There's no beneficial influence on mortality - PCI does nothing to prevent heart attack. All we are doing is providing short-term relief of chest

Safety of DES Highlighted at ESC 2006

## 'Mandatory DAPT for 1yr' strategy

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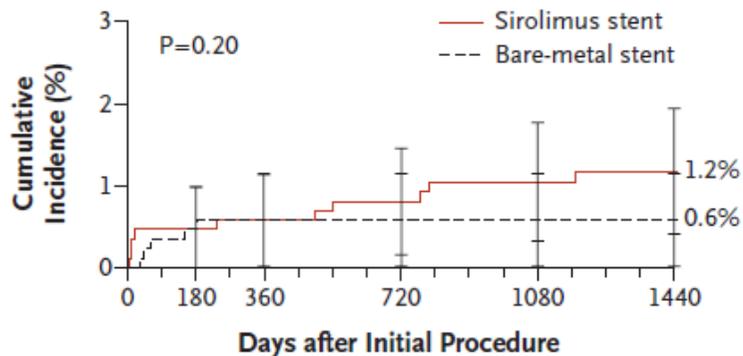
- ❑ It was not based on prospective RCTs.
- ❑ It did not reflect the results of newer-generation DES with thinner struts and more biocompatible polymer.
- ❑ Definitions of stent thrombosis that have been used in clinical trials of drug-eluting stents have been restrictive and have not been used in a uniform manner.

DESs, are they really vulnerable to stent thrombosis compared to BMS?

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# ST set by ARC definition were not different between DES vs. BMS

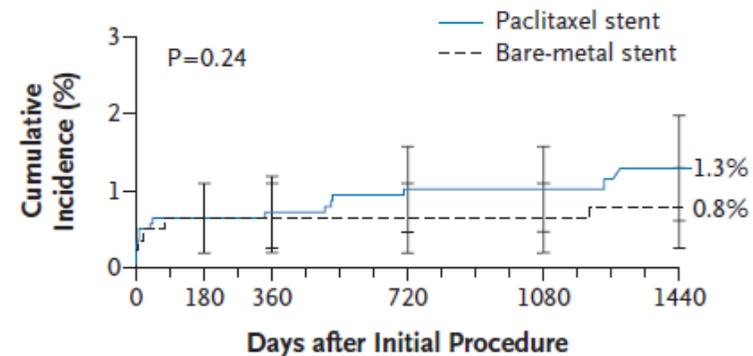
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**No. at Risk**

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Bare-metal stent	870	857	846	830	795

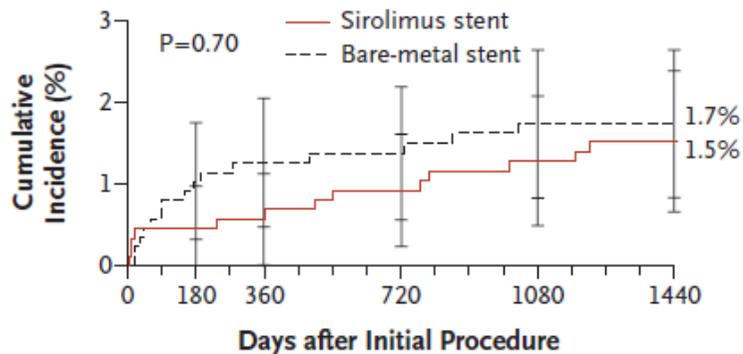
**B Paclitaxel Stent (Protocol)**



**No. at Risk**

Paclitaxel stent	1400	1352	1301	1118	717
Bare-metal stent	1397	1354	1305	1128	746

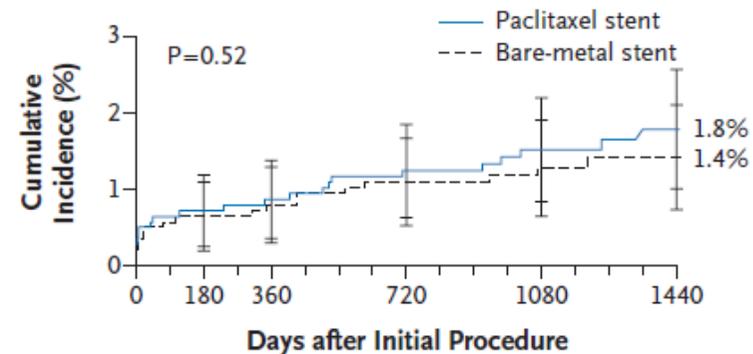
**C Sirolimus Stent (ARC)**



**No. at Risk**

Sirolimus stent	878	863	848	823	788
Bare-metal stent	870	853	842	825	789

**D Paclitaxel Stent (ARC)**

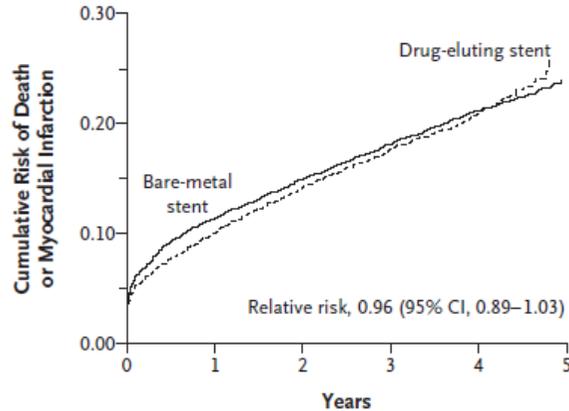


**No. at Risk**

Paclitaxel stent	1400	1351	1300	1117	715
Bare-metal stent	1397	1353	1302	1123	743

# Long-term safety and efficacy of DES vs. BMS in Sweden

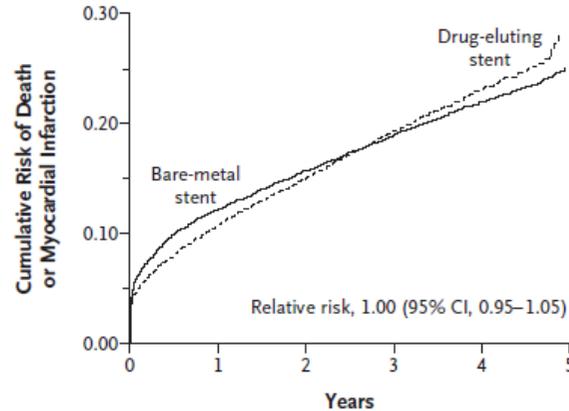
**A Death or Myocardial Infarction in the One-Stent Cohort**



No. at Risk

Bare-metal stent	18,659	16,567	11,697	7,988	3,929	5
Drug-eluting stent	10,294	9,223	6,105	2,842	879	0

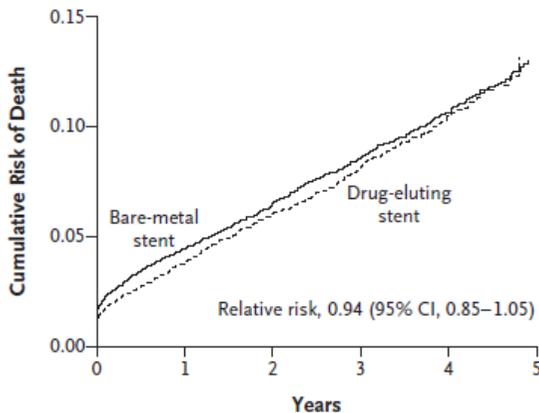
**B Death or Myocardial Infarction in the Total Cohort**



No. at Risk

Bare-metal stent	12,286	24,832	17,636	12,149	5,956	5
Drug-eluting stent	19,681	17,593	11,526	5,367	1,687	0

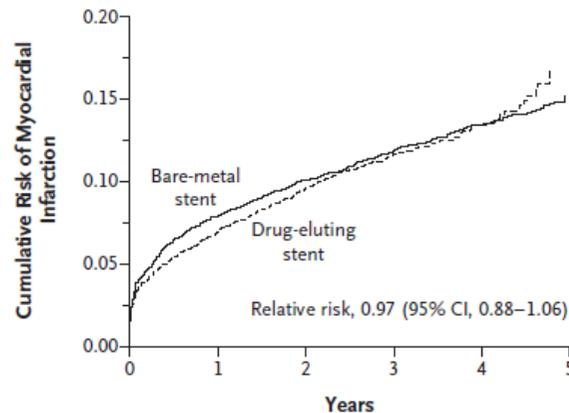
**C Death in the One-Stent Cohort**



No. at Risk

Bare-metal stent	18,659	17,830	12,825	8,890	4,391	6
Drug-eluting stent	10,294	9,902	6,717	3,180	1,016	0

**D Myocardial Infarction in the One-Stent Cohort**



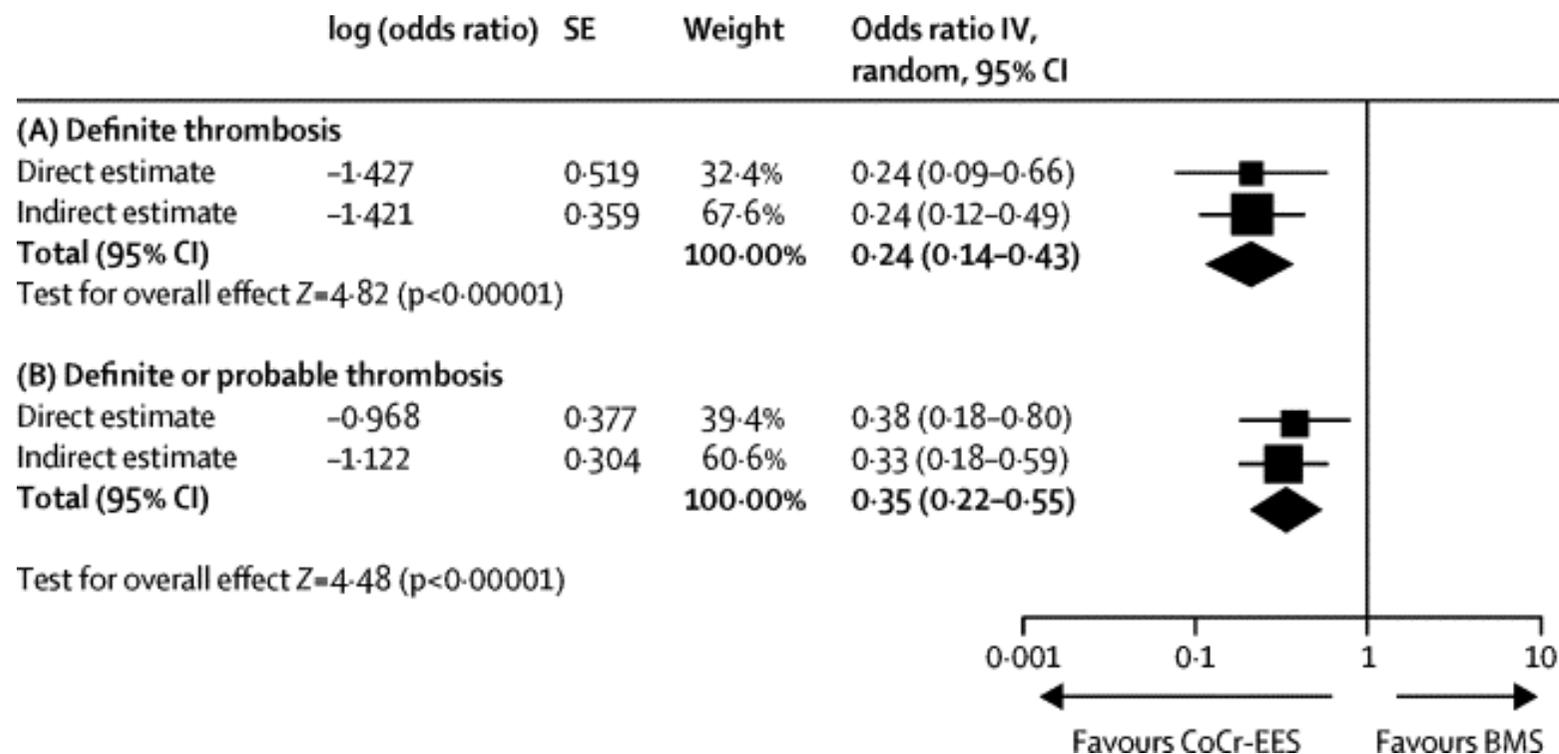
No. at Risk

Bare-metal stent	18,659	16,567	11,697	7,988	3,929	5
Drug-eluting stent	10,294	9,223	6,105	2,842	879	0

\*Included stents :

Cypher, TAXUS, Endeavor

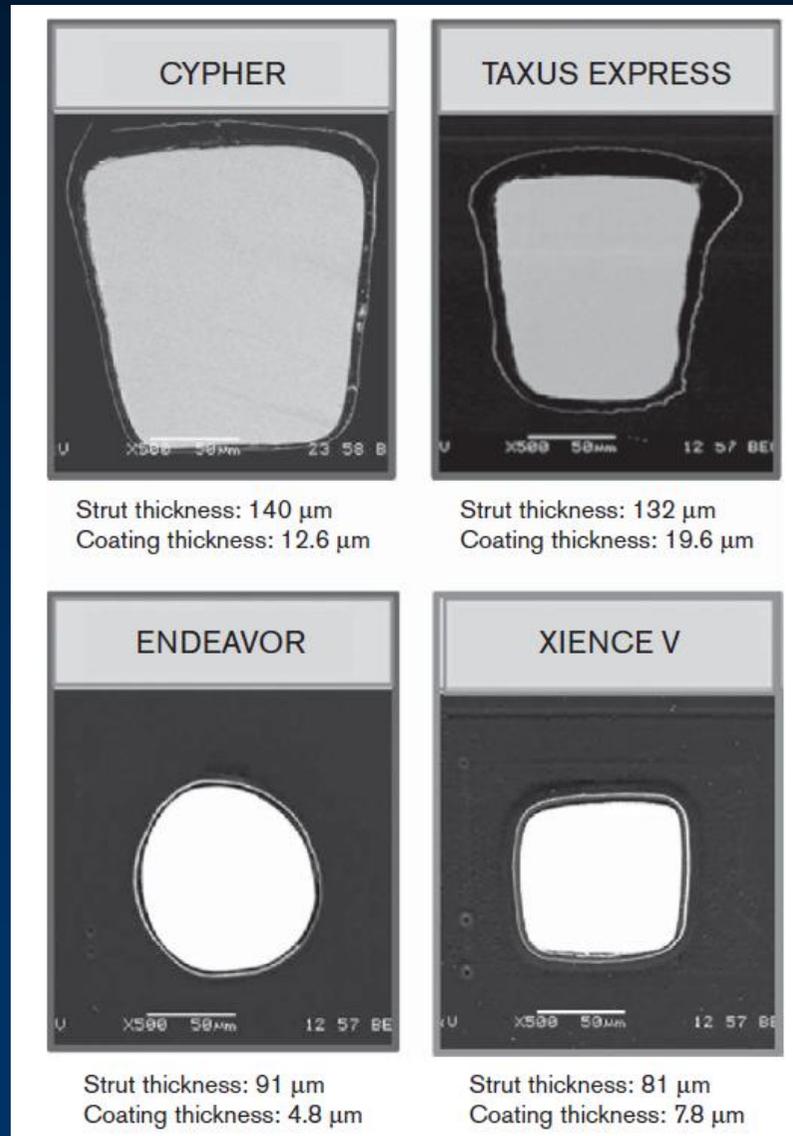
# CoCr-EES vs. BMS



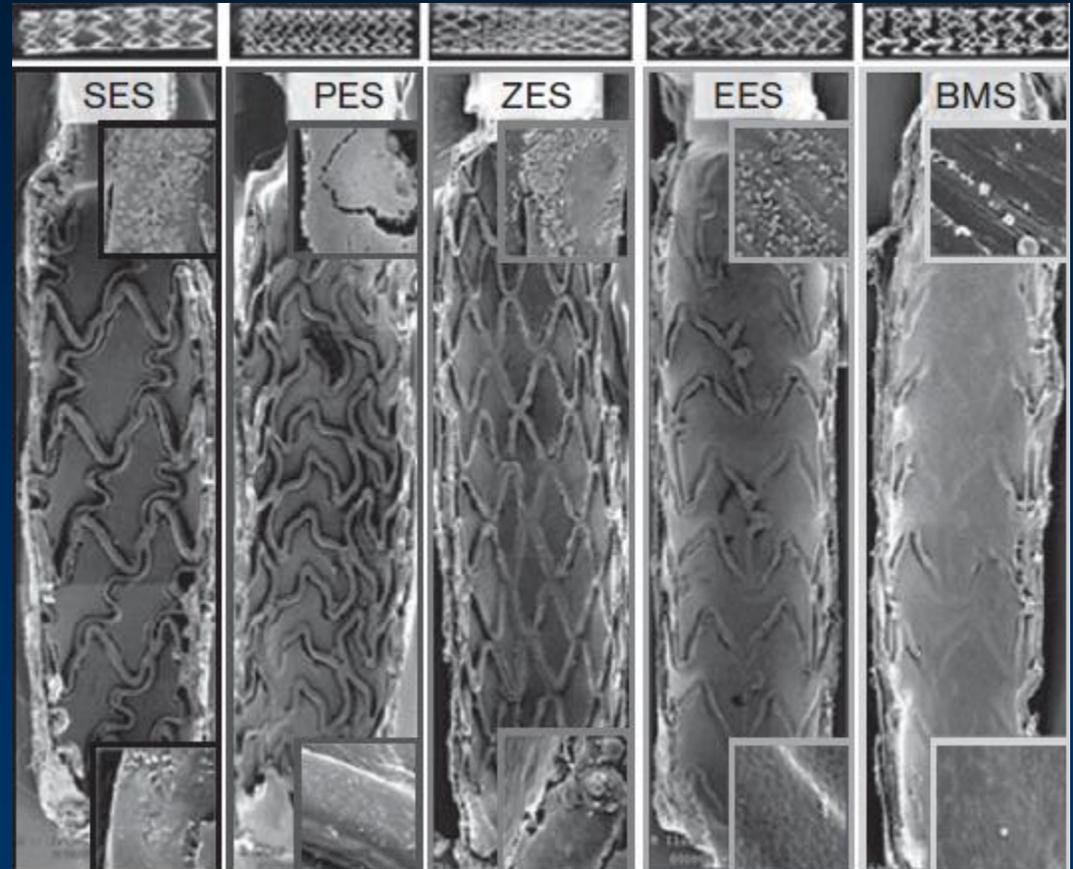
# 1<sup>st</sup> generation vs. newer DESs

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# Comparison between 1<sup>st</sup> generation vs. newer DESs

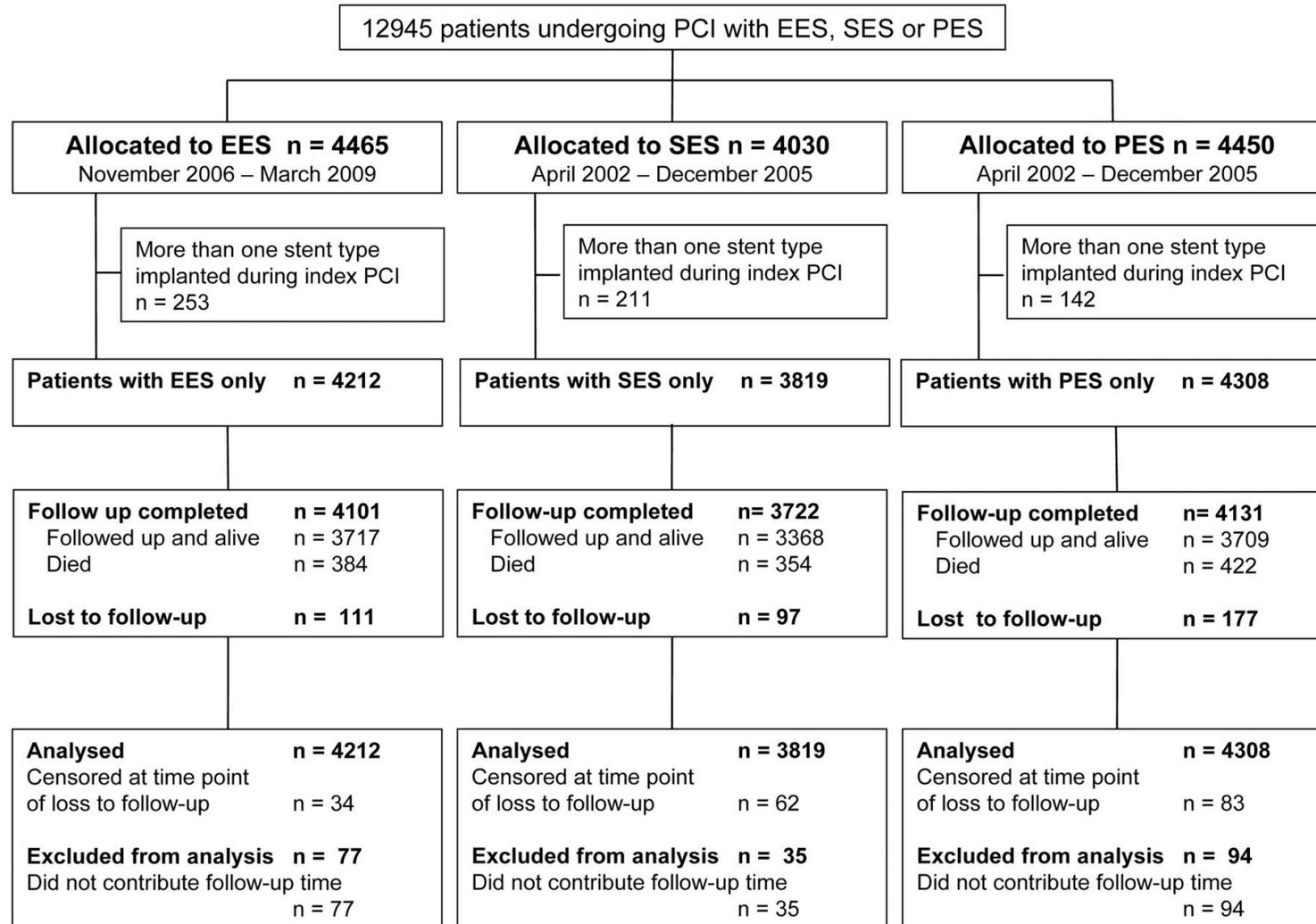


Scanning Electron Micrographs of 14-day

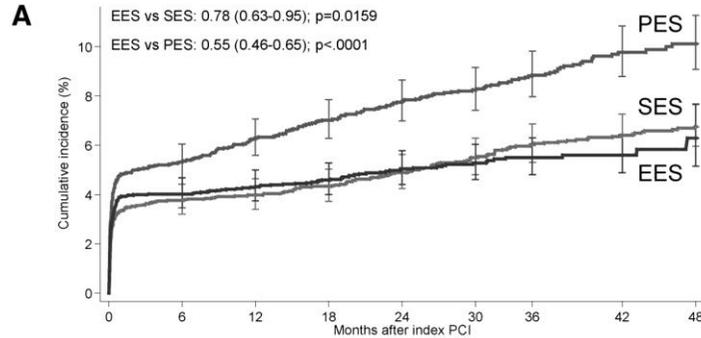


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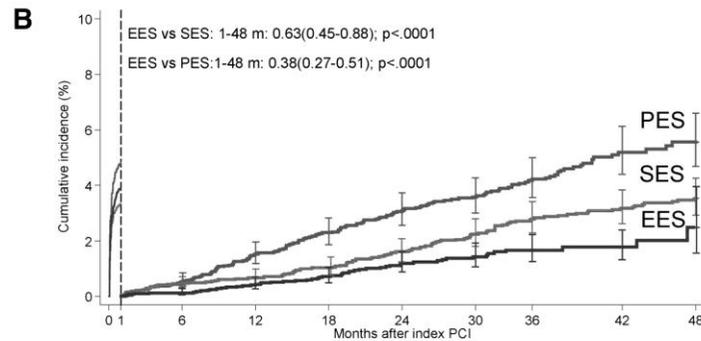
# Very late ST of EES compared with 1<sup>st</sup> gen. DESs: Meta-analysis



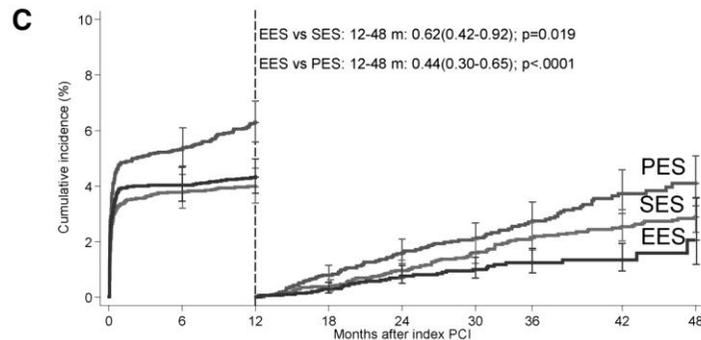
# Definite or probable ST



Cumulative incidence of definite ST up to 4 years



Landmark analysis at 30 days

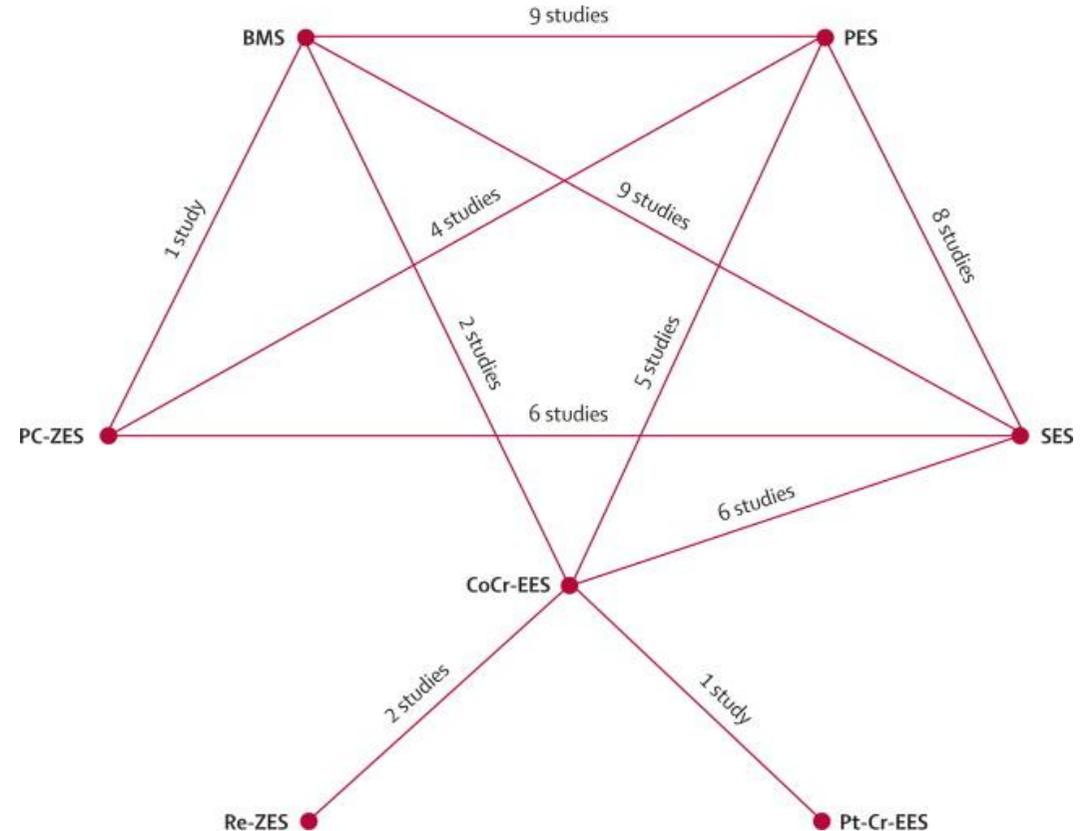
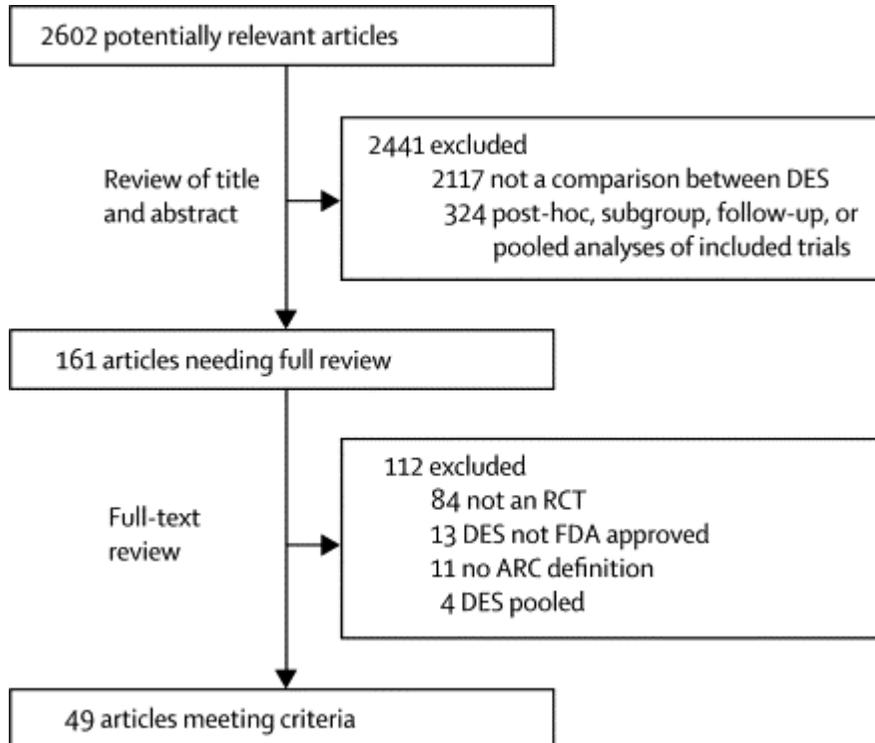


Landmark analysis at 1 year

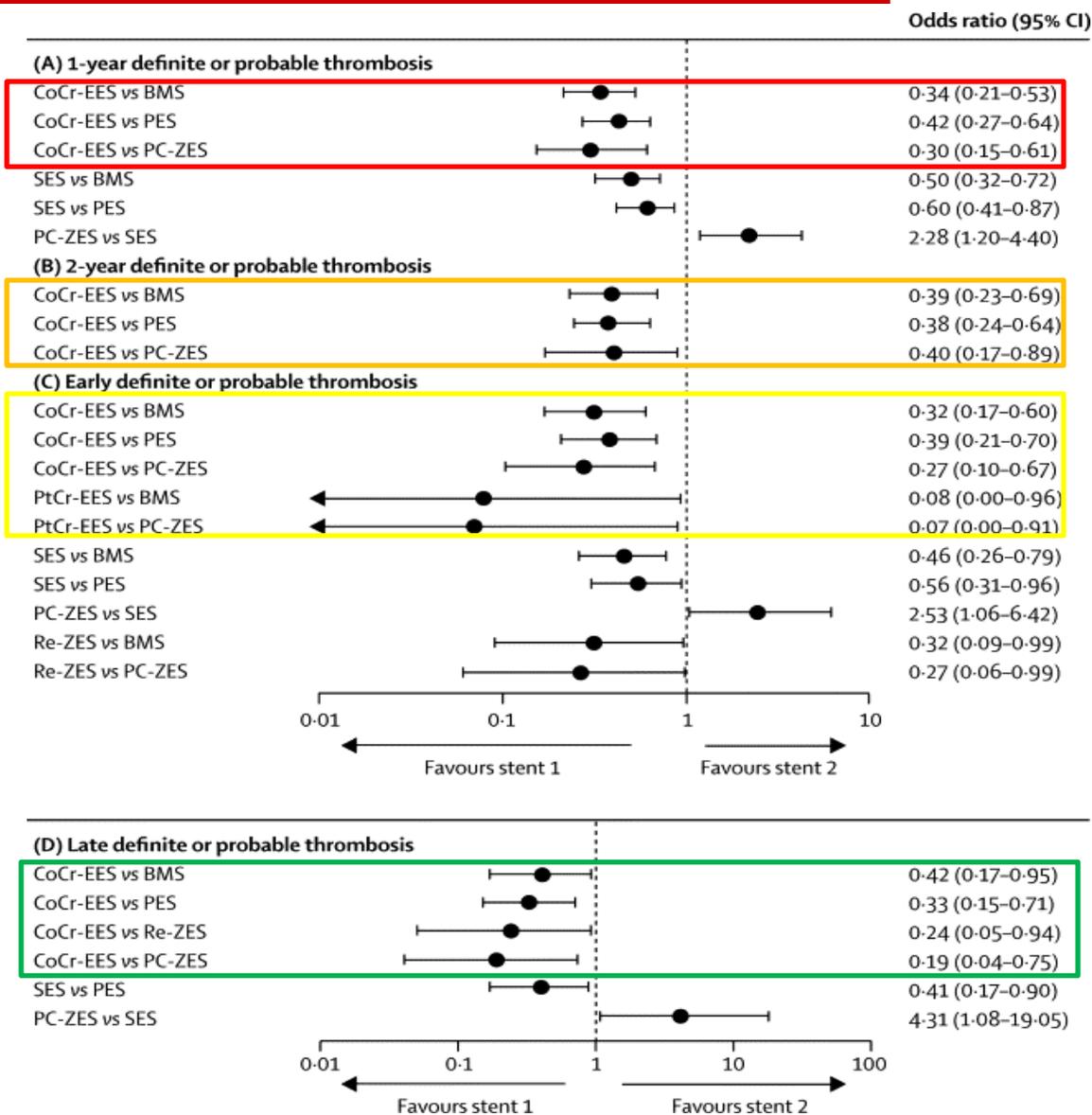
No. at risk									
PES	4214	3873	3739	3118	2843	2286	1831	1042	666
SES	3784	3587	3535	3463	3361	3031	2473	2075	1695
EES	4135	3896	3768	3254	2572	1835	1029	506	204

# Stent thrombosis with DES and BMS

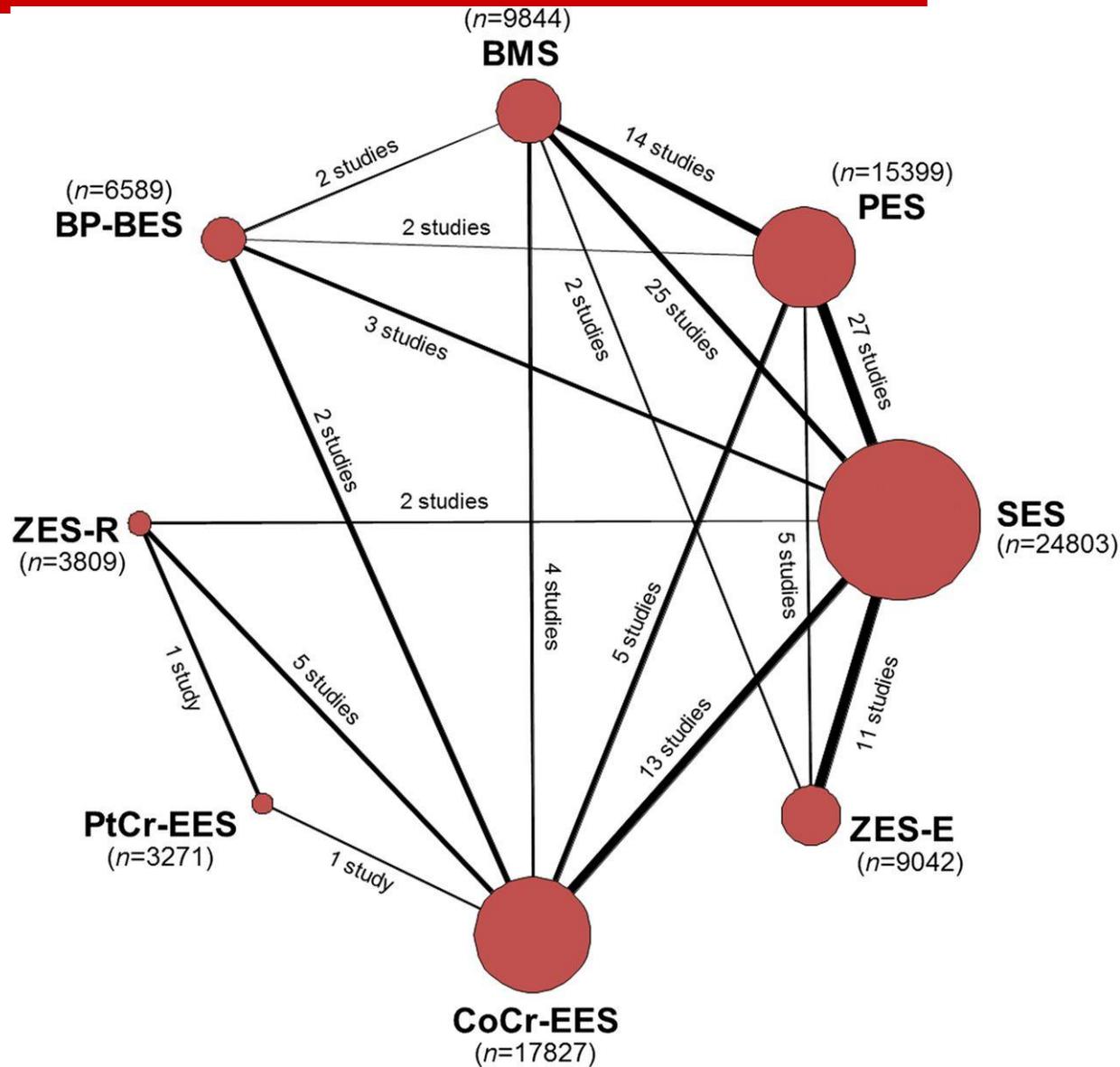
: Evidence from a comprehensive network meta-analysis



# Definite or probable ST

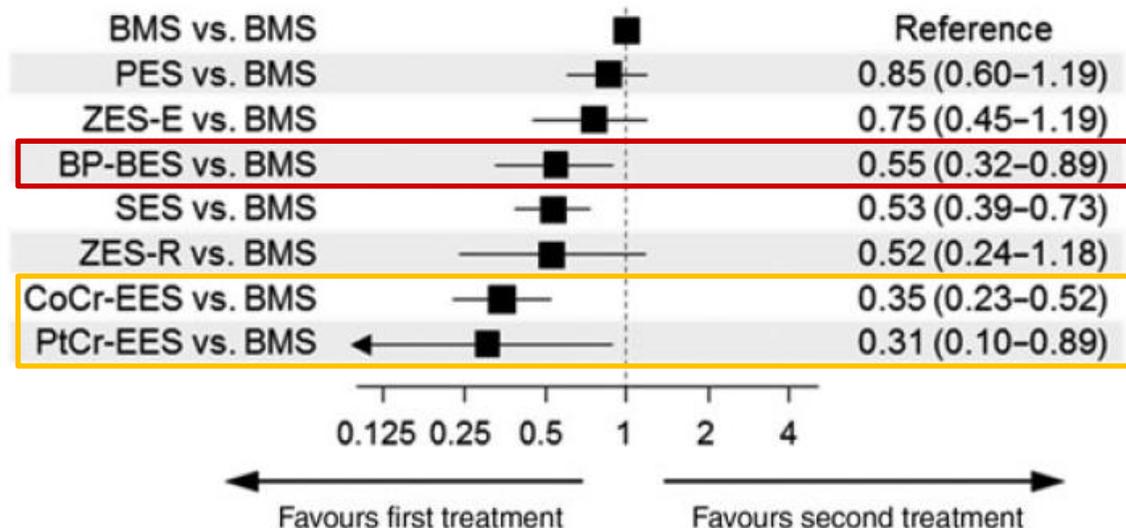


# Biodegradable-polymer DES vs. BMS vs. durable-polymer DES : network meta-analysis

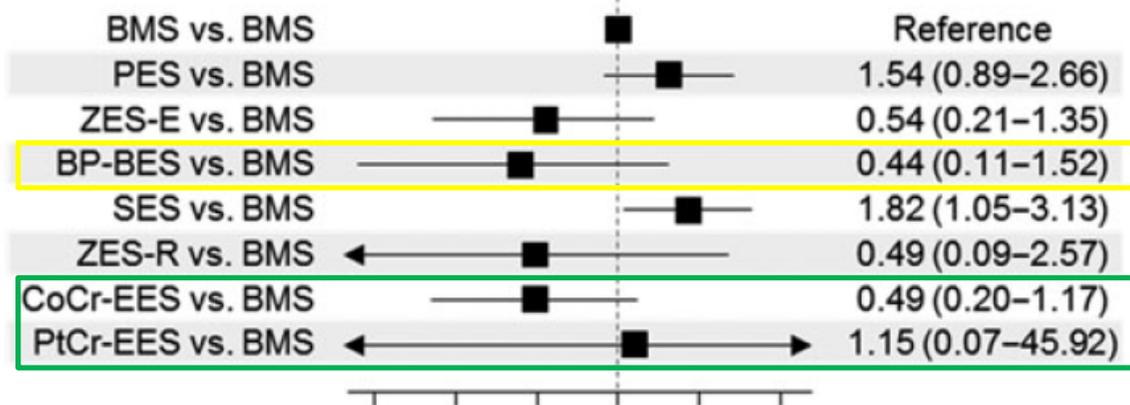


# Definite or probable ST with reference to BMS

## (C) ST within 1 year (<math>-365</math> days)

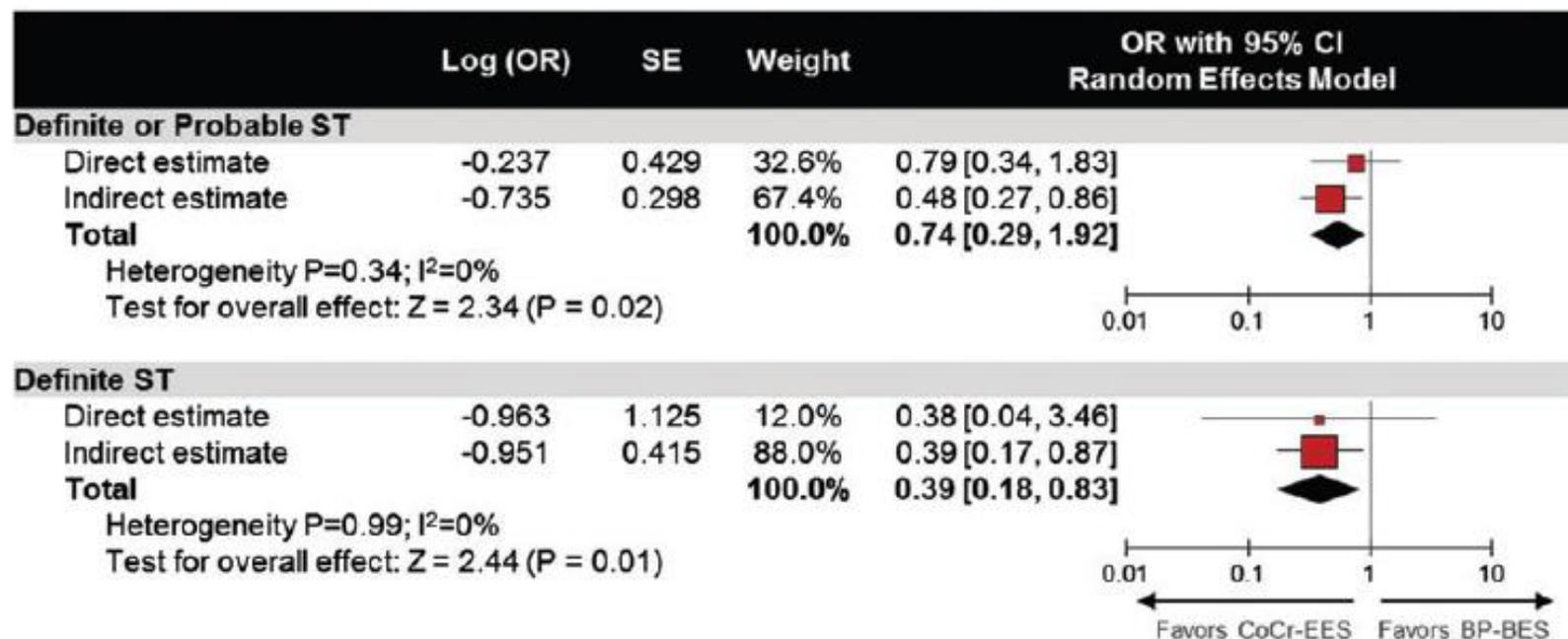


## (D) Very Late ST (>365 days)



# Comparison b/w CoCr-EES vs. BP-BES

## B CoCr-EES vs. BP-BES

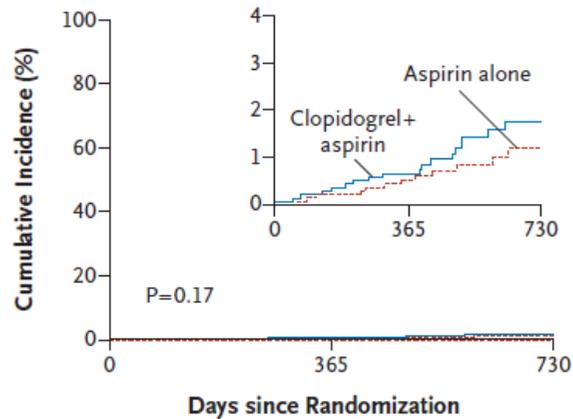


Do we really have to maintain long-term DAPT  
in patients with DES?

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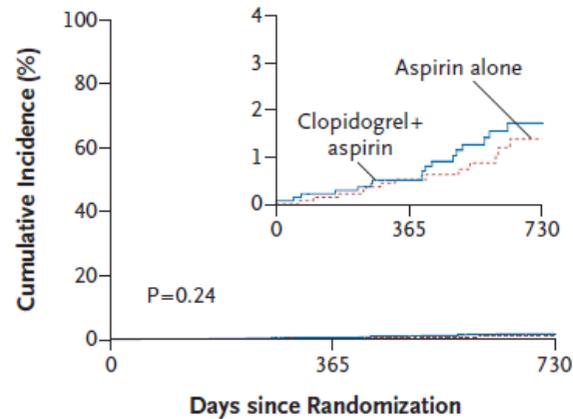
# ZEST-LATE & REAL-LATE

**A Primary End Point: MI or Death from Cardiac Causes**



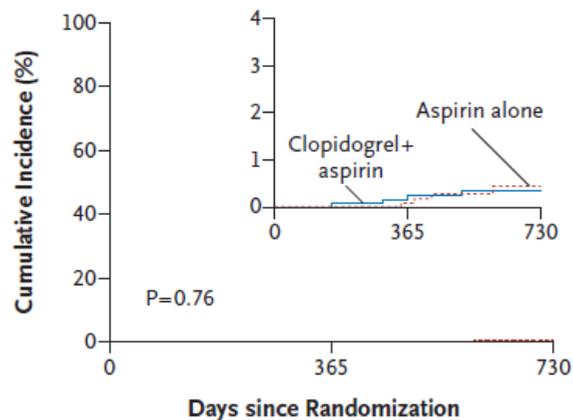
No. at Risk			
Clopidogrel+aspirin	1357	1122	299
Aspirin alone	1344	1100	301

**B Death from Any Cause**



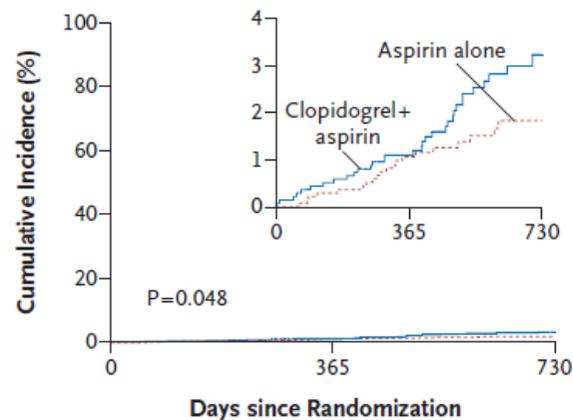
No. at Risk			
Clopidogrel+aspirin	1357	1125	302
Aspirin alone	1344	1103	303

**C Definite Stent Thrombosis**



No. at Risk			
Clopidogrel+aspirin	1357	1124	301
Aspirin alone	1344	1102	303

**D MI, Stroke, or Death from Any Cause**

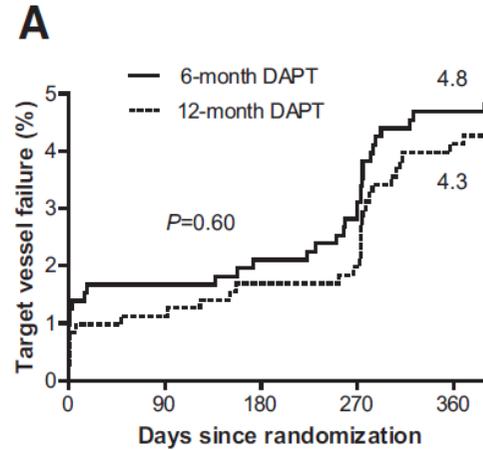
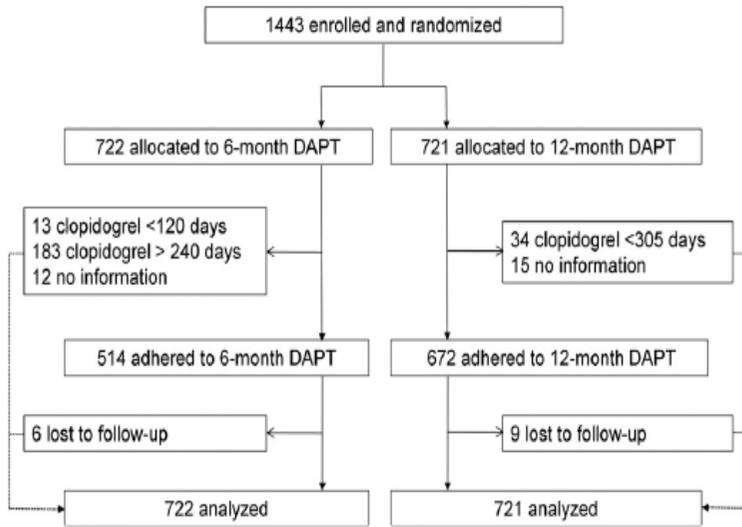


No. at Risk			
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Aspirin alone	1344	1097	300

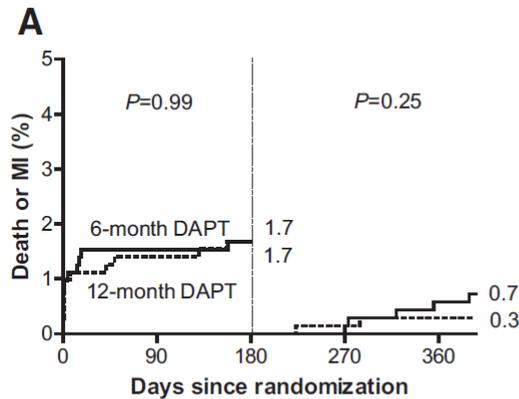
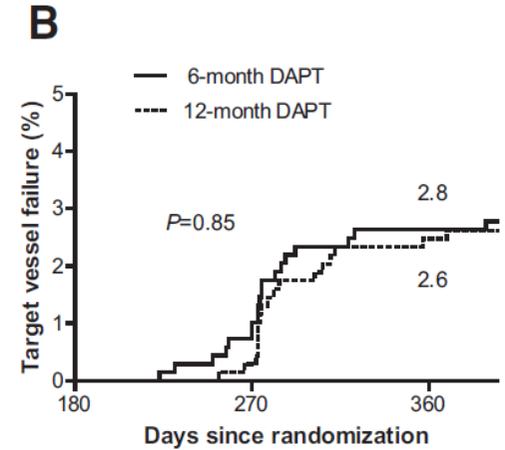
\* Park SJ, et al.  
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\* Included Stents  
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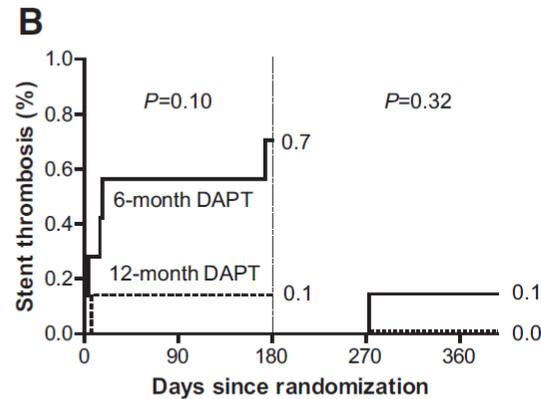
# EXCELLENT



6-month DAPT	722	692	686	680	663	6-month DAPT	686	680	663
12-month DAPT	721	697	692	687	668	12-month DAPT	692	687	668

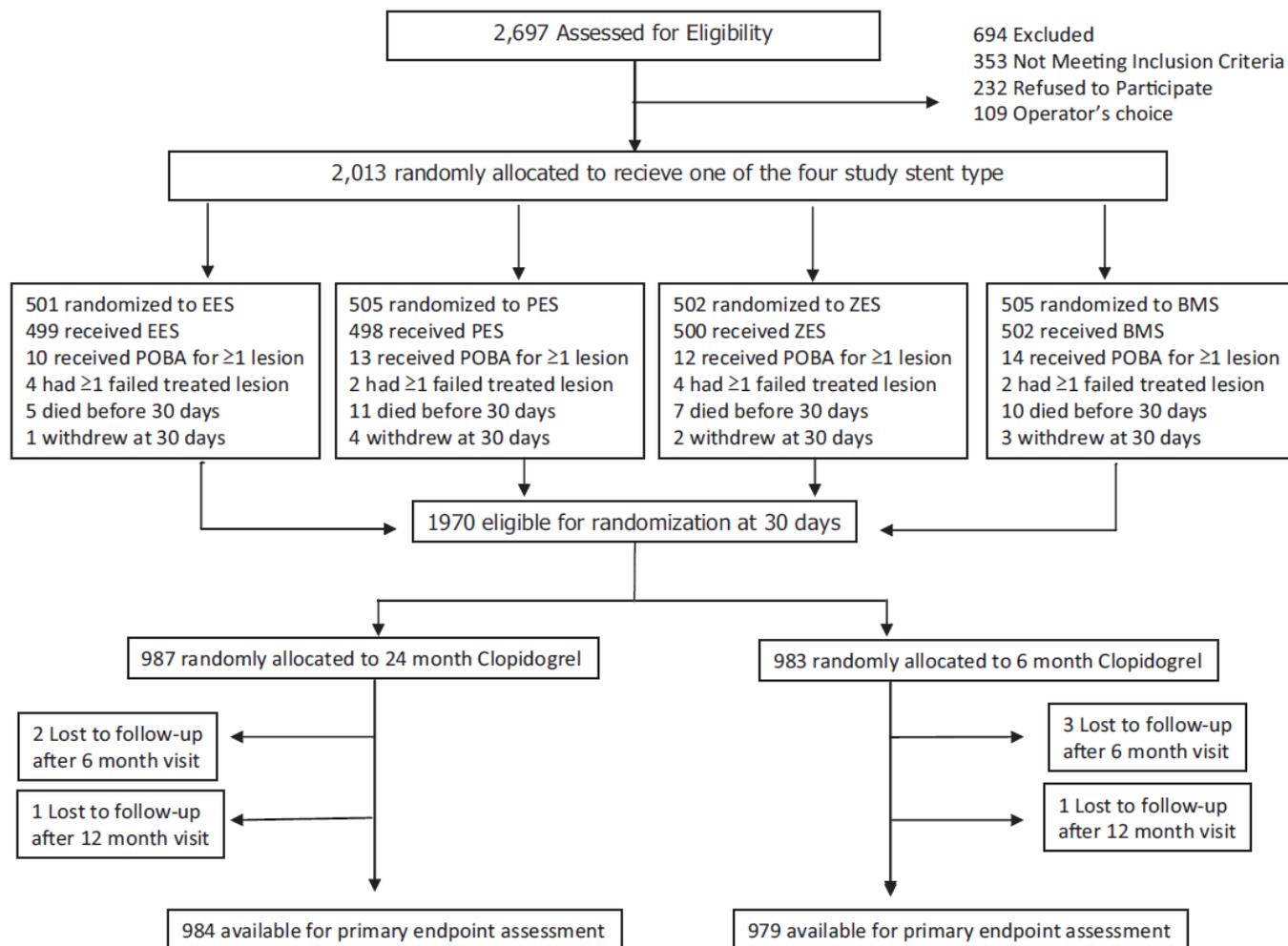


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12-month DAPT	721	696	694	691	686

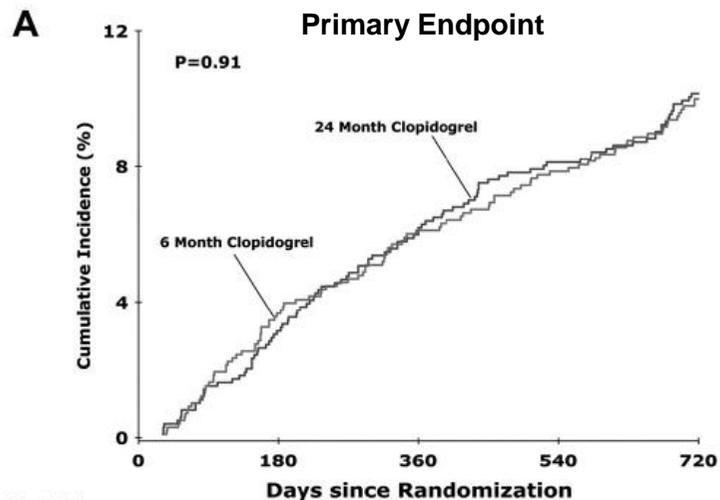


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12-month DAPT	721	703	701	698	694

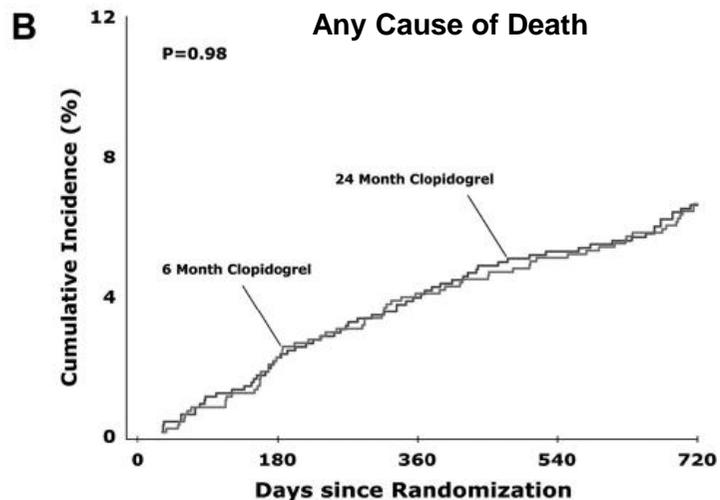
# PRODIGY: Study flow



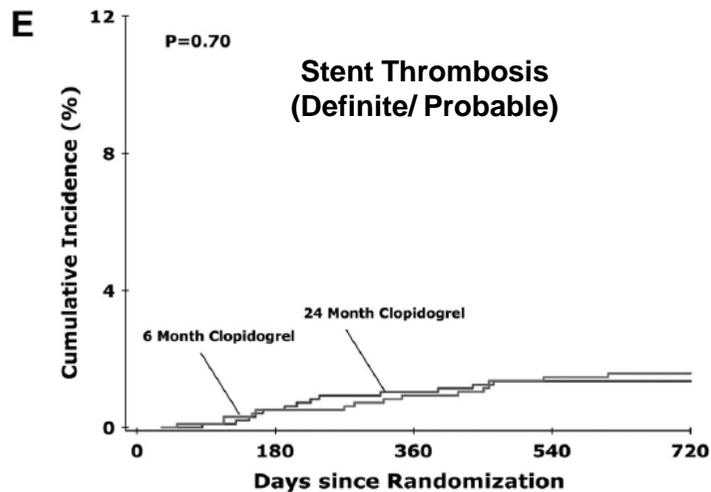
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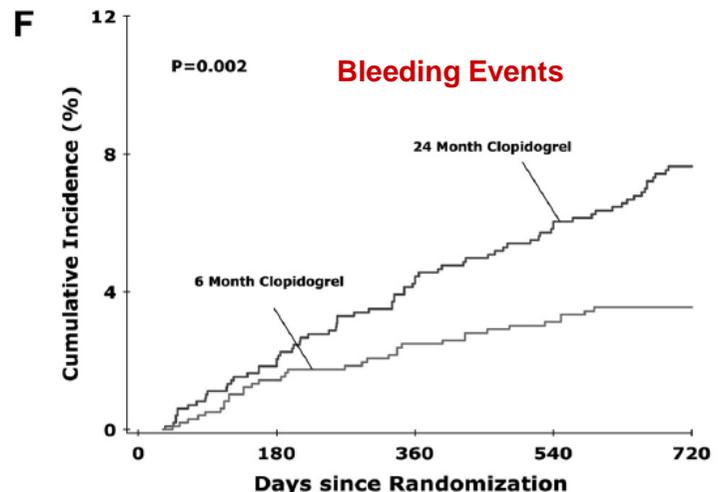
No. at Risk			
24-Month Clopidogrel	987	925	884
6-Month Clopidogrel	983	919	881



No. at Risk			
24-Month Clopidogrel	987	945	919
6-Month Clopidogrel	983	939	914



No. at Risk			
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6-Month Clopidogrel	983	934	906



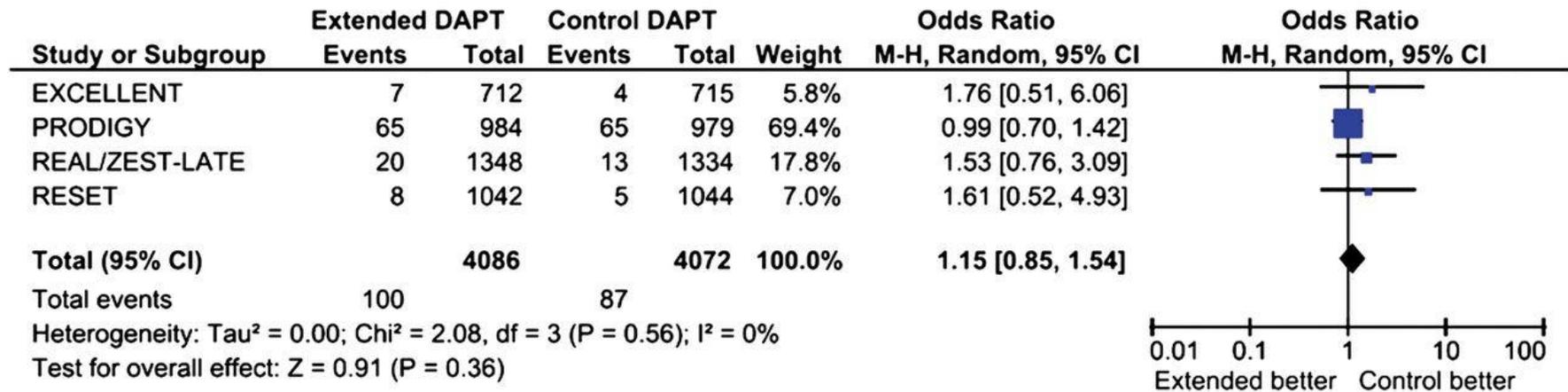
No. at Risk			
24-Month Clopidogrel	987	911	858
6-Month Clopidogrel	983	923	892

# Meta-analysis :

EXCELLENT,PROGIDY,REAL/ZEST-LATE & RESET

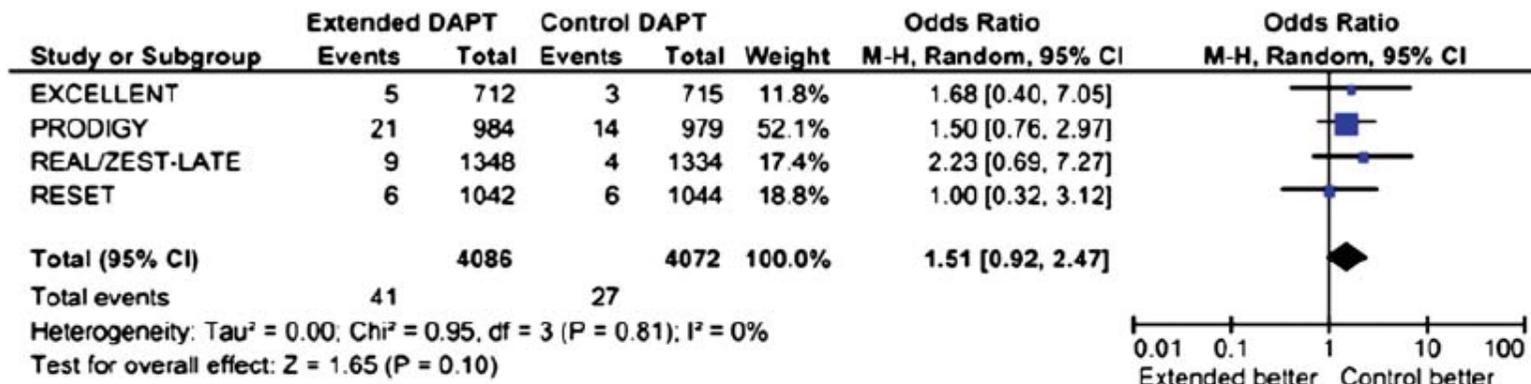
- Extended (16.8 mo) vs. Control (6.2 mo) DAPT groups
- Endpoints
  - Primary : all-cause death
  - Secondary : MI, ST, CVA, TIMI major bleedings

## Death

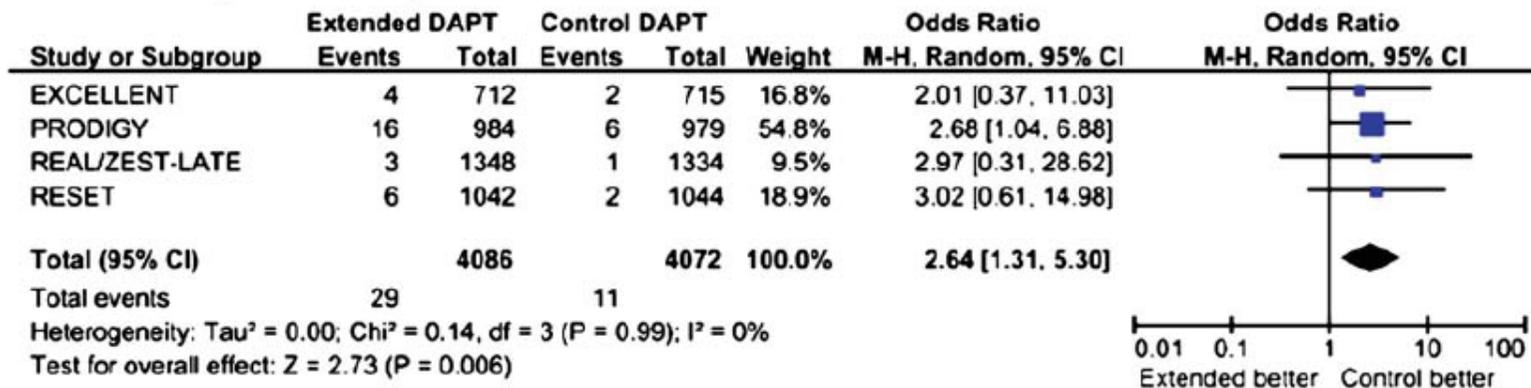


# Meta-analysis : EXCELLENT,PROGIDY,REAL/ZEST-LATE & RESET

## C Cerebrovascular accidents



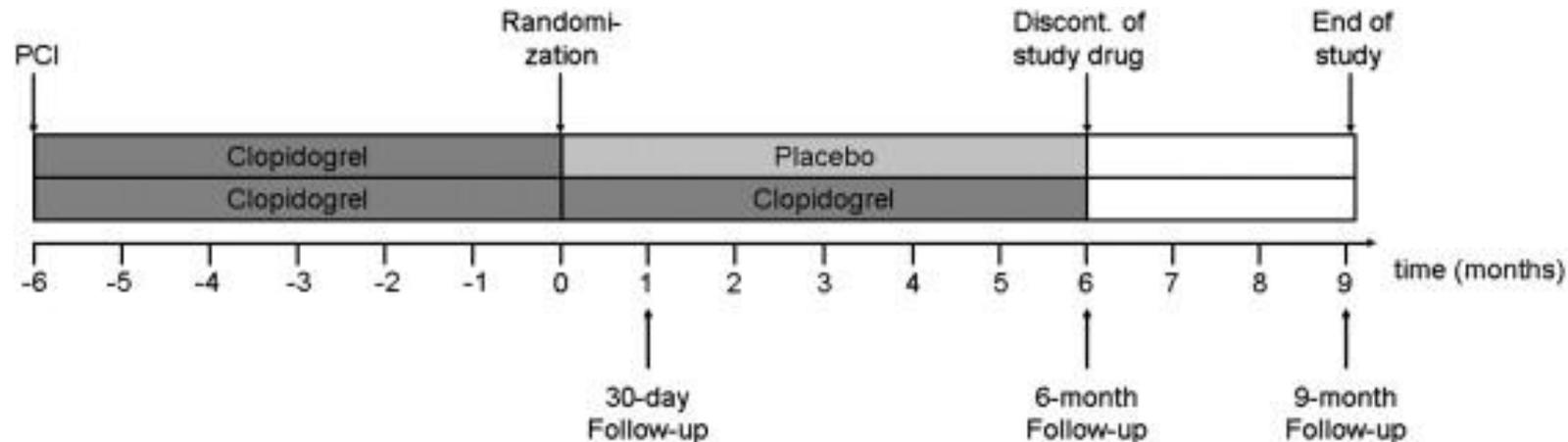
## D TIMI Major bleeding



# ISAR-SAFE

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- ❑ Previous trials were not powered for ischemic endpoints, were open-label and the time from stenting to randomization varied.
- ❑ Study design of ISAR-SAFE (n=6,000)



- ❑ Primary endpoint : composite of death, MI, ST, stroke, or major bleeding

## ISAR-SAFE : Results (AHA 2014)

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- Terminated early due to a lower than-expected event rate.
  - 12 mo. (n=2007) vs. 6 mo. (n=1997)
  - The results met the prespecified criteria for non-inferiority ( $p < 0.001$ )

Table 1. Outcomes at 9 Months Postrandomization by DAPT Duration

	6 Months	12 Months	P Value
Primary Endpoint	1.5%	1.6%	.70
Death, MI, Definite/Probable Stent Thrombosis, Stroke	1.3%	1.5%	.59
Definite Stent Thrombosis	0.3%	0.2%	.49
MI	0.7%	0.7%	.85
TIMI Major or Minor Bleeding	0.3%	0.7%	.12

- The results are aligned with those of several prior studies, and DAPT interruption at 6 mo may be possible.

# 2014 ESC/EACTS Guidelines on myocardial revascularization

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## □ SCAD

- DAPT for 6mo after DES → aspirin (IB)
- DAPT for 1mo after BMS → aspirin (IA)
- Shorter DAPT duration (<6mo) may be considered after DES in patients with high risk bleeding risk (IIbA)

## □ NSTE-ACS

- DAPT (ticagrelor, prasugrel > clopidogrel) over 12mo unless there are contraindications such as excessive bleeding (IA)

## □ STEMI

- DAPT (ticagrelor, prasugrel > clopidogrel) over 12mo unless there are contraindications such as excessive bleeding (IA)
- Reference : PCI-CURE, TRITON-TIMI38, PLATO

# Problems of '>12mo DAPT' recommendation in ACS

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- ❑ PCI-CURE did not reflect contemporary PCI.
- ❑ TRITON & PLATO trial
  - >12months use : no enough data yet
- ❑ Clinical predictors of ischemic and bleeding complications are largely overlapped.
  - Women, CKD, old age, leukocytosis, anemia, Killip class etc..
  - Bleeding complications are not negligible and they have long-term adverse effects on patient's prognosis.

# Conclusion

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- $\leq 6$  months DAPT is reasonable in SCAD patients with newer-generation DESs, especially CoCr-EES.
- Routine 12 months' DAPT strategy in ACS patients should be confirmed.
- Weighing balance b/w ischemia vs. bleeding is required.