

VOYAGER PAD

Efficacy and Safety of Rivaroxaban in Patients with PAD undergoing Recurrent Lower Extremity Revascularization

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PAD Patients with Prior Revascularization are at 4-Fold Risk of Acute Limb Ischemia

TRA2P-TIMI 50 PAD

Characteristic	Adjusted HR for ALI
Prior Peripheral Revascularization	HR 3.60 (2.10 – 6.18) P<0.001
ABI < 0.5	HR 2.86 (1.81 – 4.51)
ABI ≥ 1.3	HR 2.71 (1.09 – 6.72)
Current Smoking	HR 2.17 (1.01 – 4.67) P=0.046

Bonaca et al. Circulation 2016

PEGASUS-TIMI 54 PAD

Prior revascularization
Adjusted HR for ALI 3.76
(2.26 – 6.25)
p<0.001

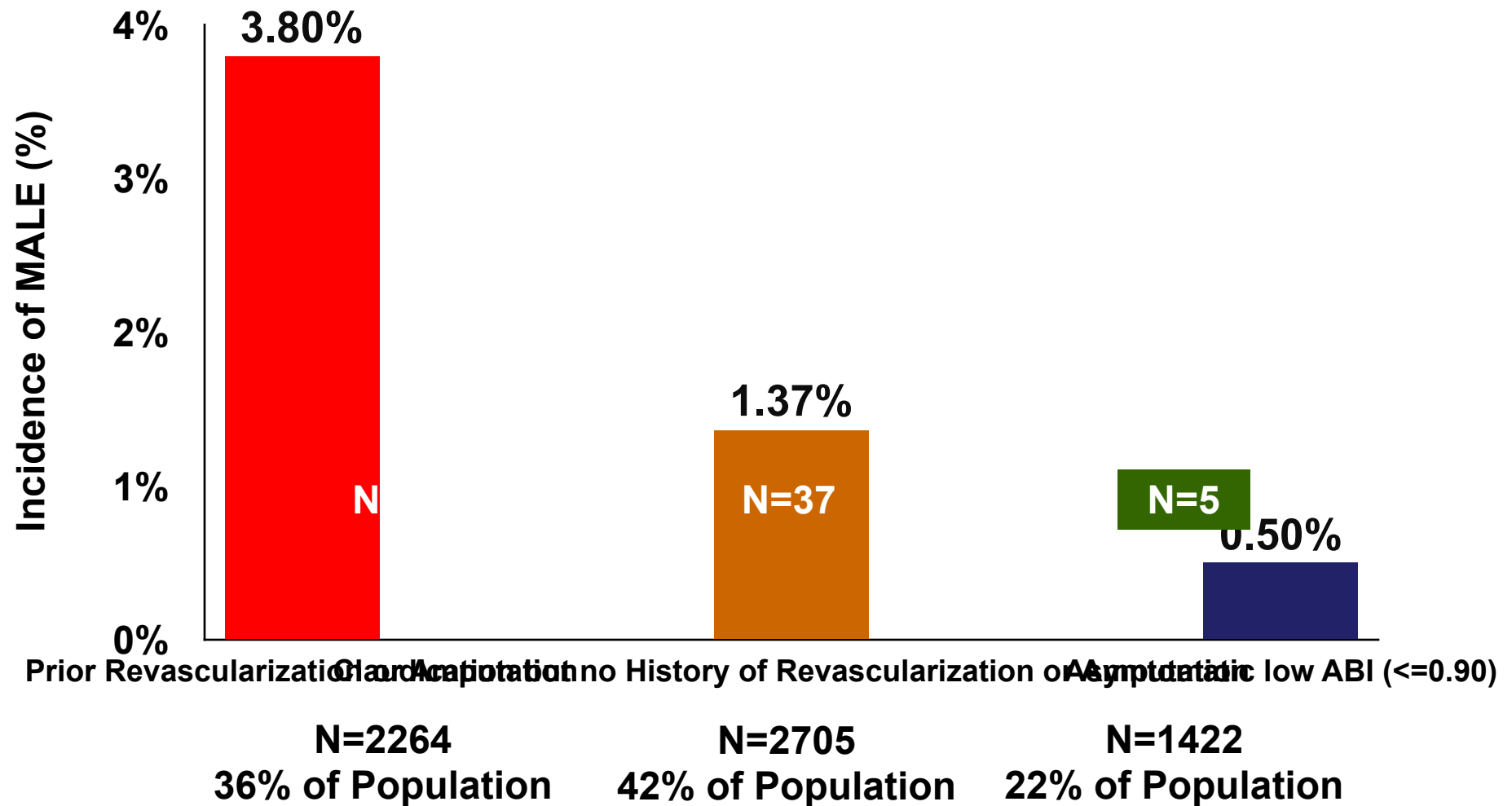
Bonaca et al. JACC 2016

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Prior revascularization
Adjusted HR for ALI 4.23
(2.86 – 6.25)
p<0.001

Jones et al. Circulation 2016

Heterogeneity in Risk of Major Adverse Limb Events by Severity of Limb Disease



Trial Design

NCT02504216

6,564 Patients with Symptomatic Lower Extremity PAD* Undergoing Peripheral Revascularization

*ASA 100 daily for all Patients
Clopidogrel at Investigator's Discretion*

Randomized 1:1 Double Blind

**Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg
twice daily**

*Stratified by
Revascularization Approach
(Surgical or Endovascular
with and without clopidogrel)*

Placebo

Follow up Q6 Months, Event Driven, Median f/u 28 Months

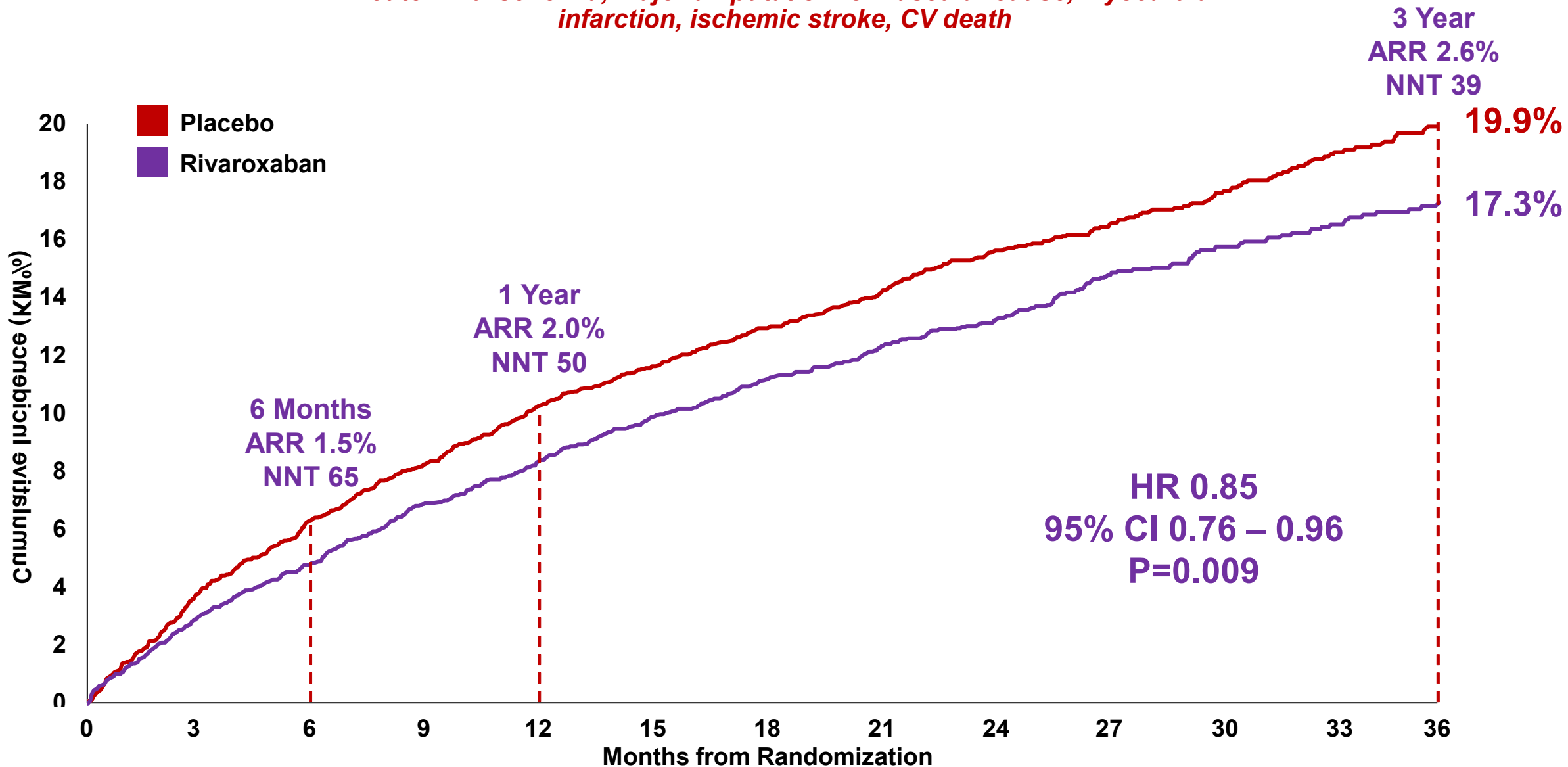
Primary Efficacy Endpoint: Acute limb ischemia, major amputation of vascular etiology, myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke or cardiovascular death

Principal Safety Outcome: TIMI Major Bleeding

*PAD defined as:
- Ischemic symptoms
(functional limitation, rest pain or ischemic ulceration) AND
- Imaging evidence
of occlusion AND
- Abnormal ABI/TBI

Primary Endpoint

Acute limb ischemia, major amputation for vascular cause, myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke, CV death



Hypotheses

Symptomatic PAD patients undergoing recurrent lower extremity revascularization (prior LER) versus those undergoing first LER:

- **Will have a higher rate of acute limb ischemia**
- **Will derive even greater benefits with a rivaroxaban plus aspirin strategy versus aspirin alone, particularly for acute limb ischemia**

Methods

- **The presence of known prior LER was reported by investigators at baseline and was defined as any history of endovascular, hybrid or surgical LER**
- **Primary outcome is composite of acute limb ischemia, major amputation of vascular etiology, myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke, CV death**
- **COX model with interaction terms to assess for heterogeneity of efficacy and safety of rivaroxaban by prior LER status**

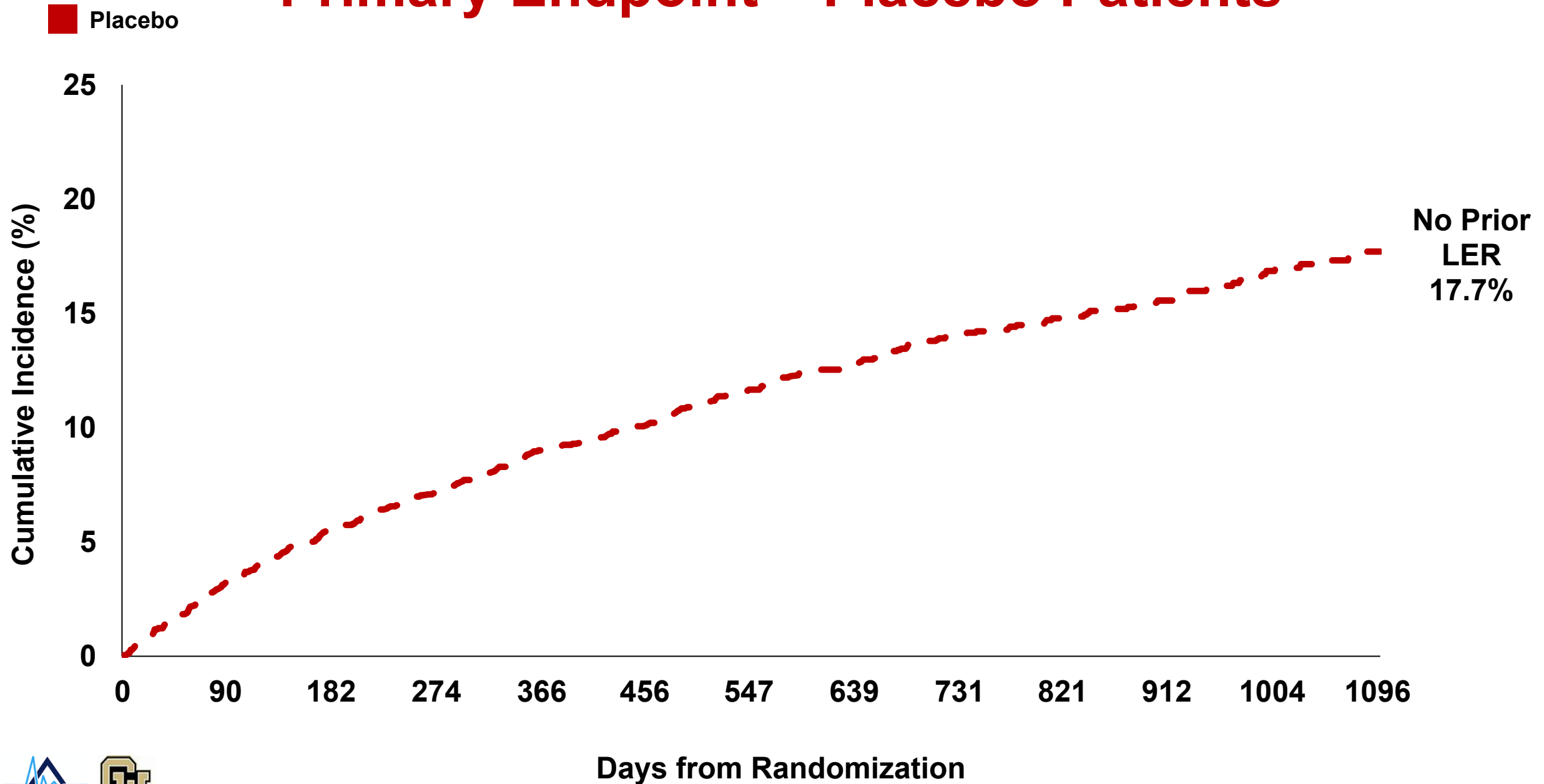
Baseline Characteristics

Baseline Characteristics	No Prior LER N=4226	Prior LER N=2336	P-value
Median age, median (IQR) – yr	67 (61 – 73)	67 (61 – 73)	0.74
Female no. (%)	26	25	0.46
White Caucasian no. (%)	81	80	<0.001
Hypertension (%)	79	86	<0.001
Diabetes Mellitus (%)	35	51	0.066
Hyperlipidemia (%)	54	71	<0.001
Current smoking (%)	35	33	<0.001
eGFR < 60 ml/min.1.73m ²	19	22	0.0259
Coronary artery disease (%)	28	38	<0.001
Carotid stenosis ≥ 50% (%)	6	11	<0.001
History of heart failure (%)	8	8	0.42

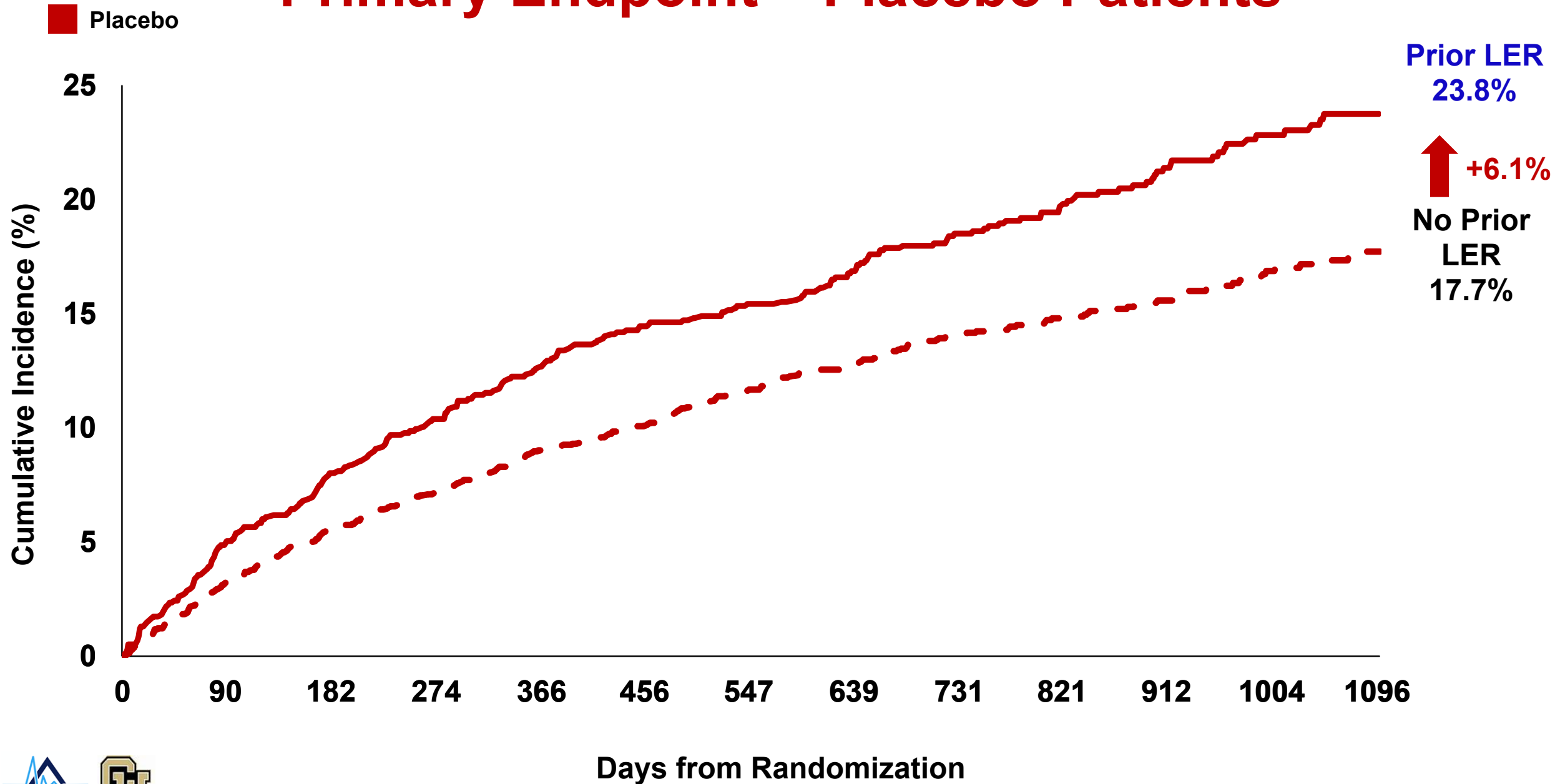
Baseline Characteristics

<i>Baseline Characteristics</i>	No Prior LER N=4226	Prior LER N=2336	P-value
<i>Qualifying revascularization</i>			<0.001
Surgical (%)	36	27	
Endovascular (%)	64	73	
<i>Reason for revascularization</i>			<0.001
Critical limb ischemia (%)	26	18	
<i>PAD Characteristics</i>			
Prior major amputation (%)	0.7	1.5	0.0026
Prior amputation (%)	5	7	0.0054
Prior bypass (%)	0	28	<0.001
Prior endovascular (%)	0	82	<0.001
ABI (median, IQR)	0.53 (0.40 – 0.65)	0.58 (0.45 – 0.70)	<0.0001
<i>Medications</i>			
Statins	77	85	<0.001
ACE/ARB	61	68	<0.001
Clopidogrel at randomization	47	56	<0.001

Primary Endpoint – Placebo Patients



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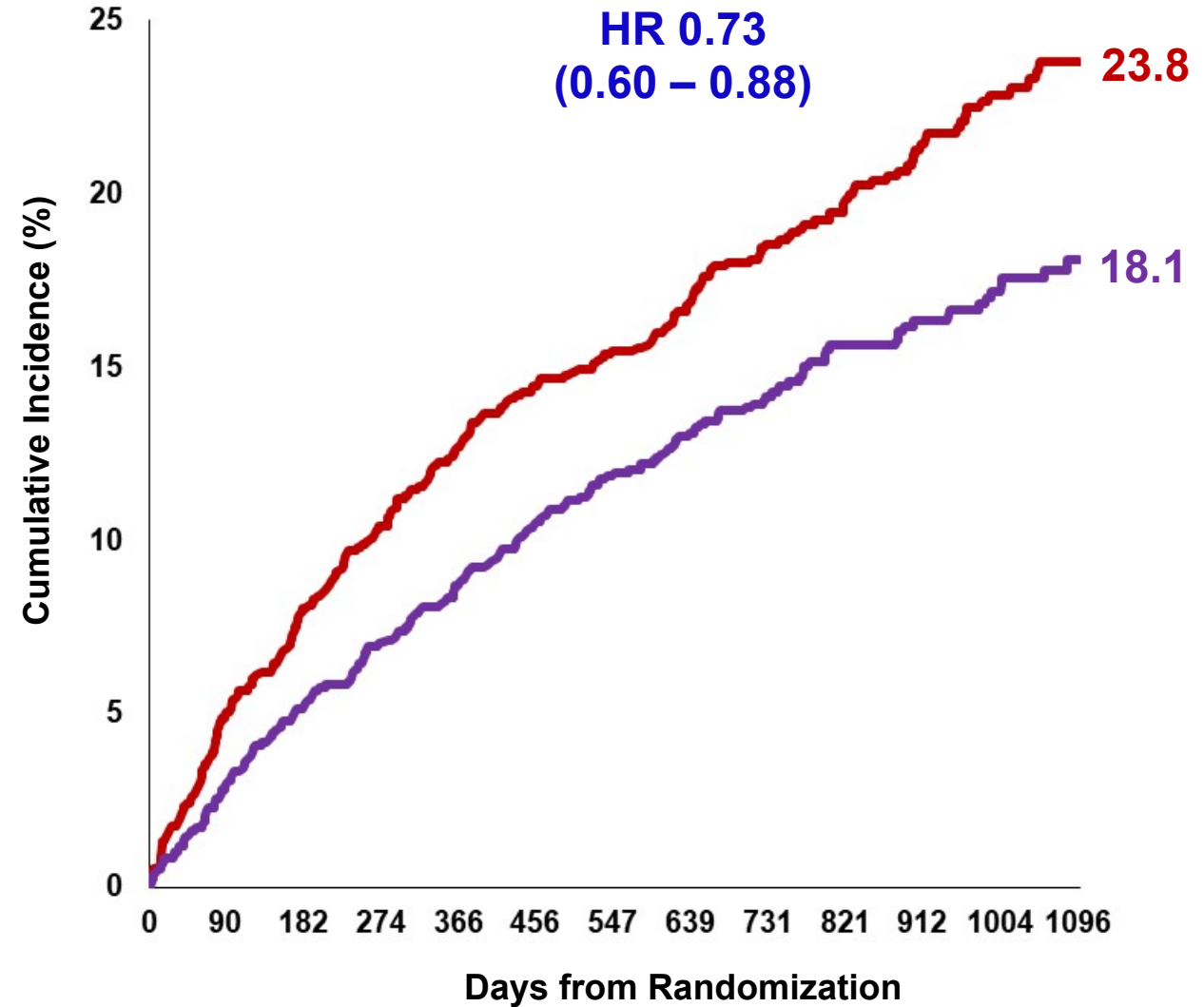
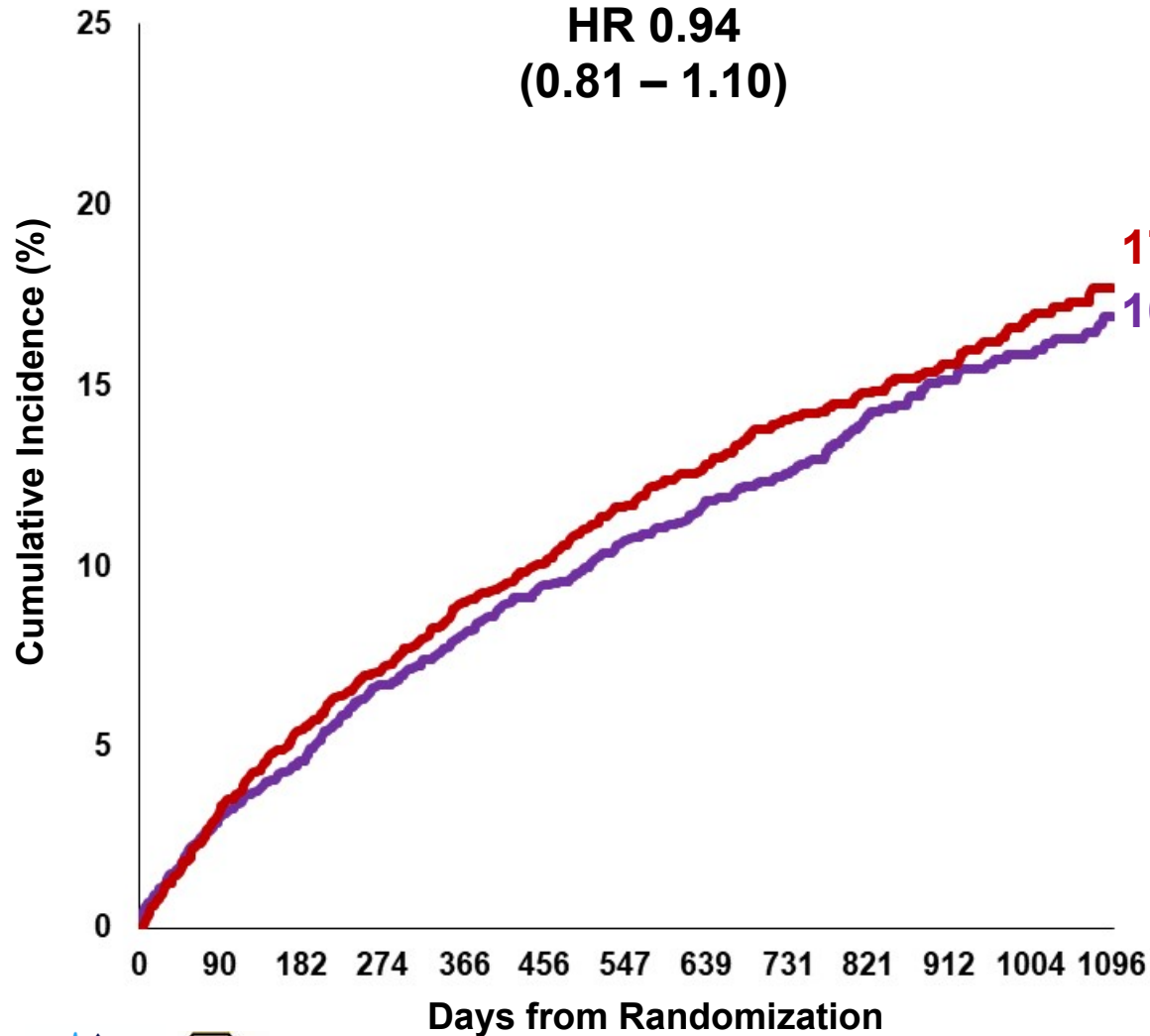
Primary Endpoint by Prior LER

■ Placebo
■ Rivaroxaban

No Prior LER

P-interaction 0.0360

Prior LER



Limb Outcomes with Rivaroxaban with and without Prior LER

■ Placebo
■ Rivaroxaban

No Prior LER
4,226

All p-interaction > 0.05

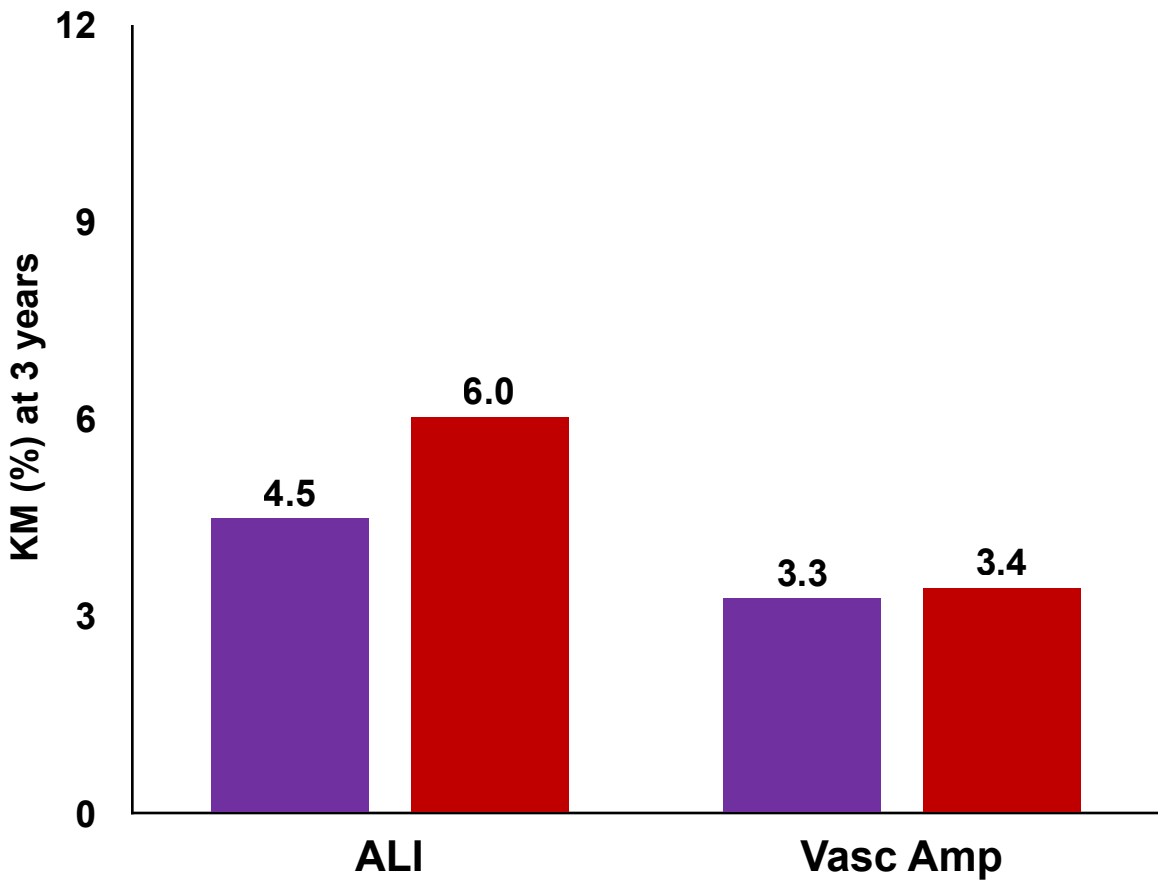
Prior LER
2,336

HR 0.74
(0.56 – 0.98)

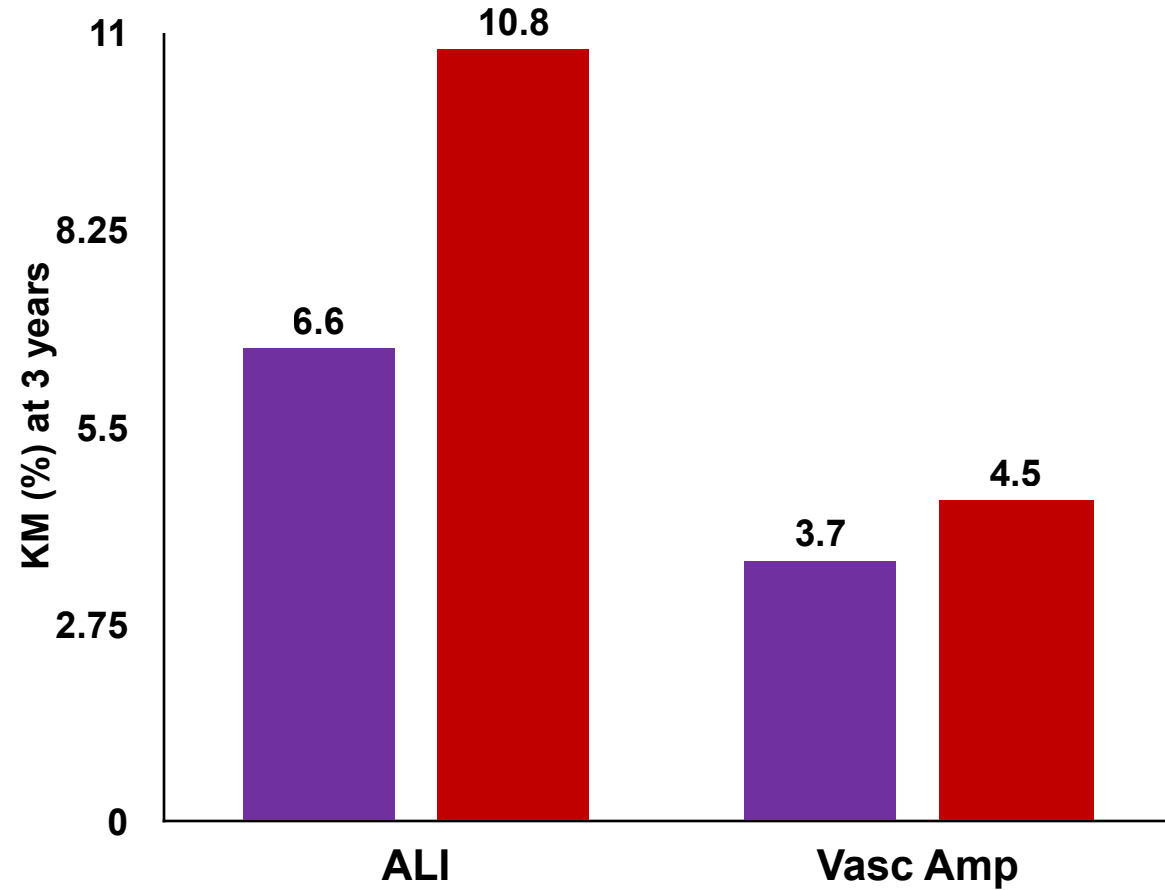
HR 0.91
(0.65 – 1.27)

HR 0.59
(0.44 – 0.80)

HR 0.86
(0.56 – 1.31)



Limb Outcomes



Limb Outcomes

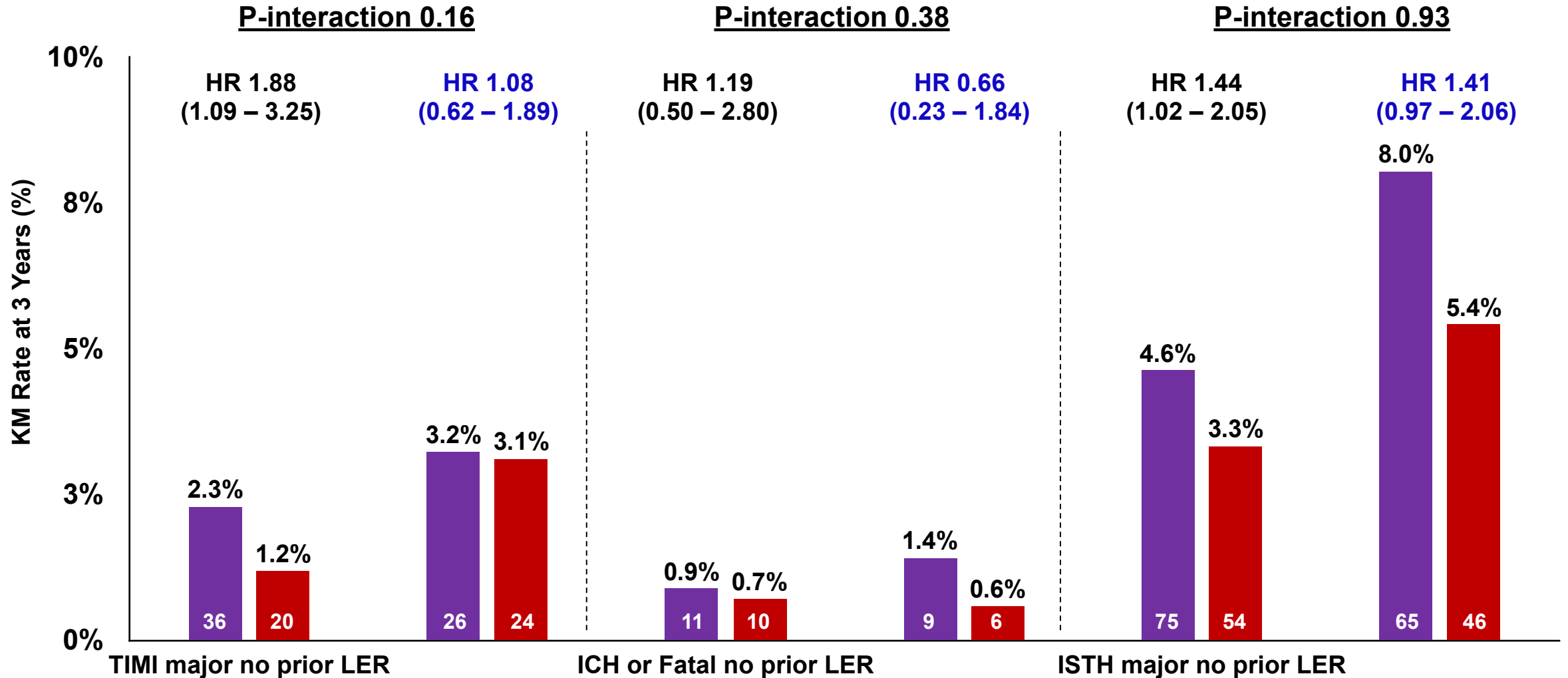


Safety of Rivaroxaban With and Without CAD

■ Placebo
■ Rivaroxaban

No Prior LER
N=4,187

Prior LER
N=2,316



Summary

Symptomatic PAD patients undergoing recurrent lower extremity revascularization (prior LER) versus those undergoing first LER:

- Have higher rates of ischemic events, particularly acute limb ischemia**
- Derive even greater benefit of a rivaroxaban plus aspirin versus aspirin alone for the composite of acute limb ischemia, major amputation of a vascular etiology, myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke or cardiovascular death with the greatest absolute benefit for acute limb ischemia**
- The safety of rivaroxaban plus aspirin versus aspirin alone is consistent regardless of prior LER**

Conclusion

- **Prior analyses in stable PAD demonstrate that prior LER is an independent predictor of ALI even late after intervention**
- **The current analysis demonstrates that within this population, those with a multiple revascularizations are at higher risk than those who have undergone a first revascularization only and may derive particularly robust benefit from rivaroxaban plus aspirin versus aspirin alone**
- **These observations further demonstrate the heterogeneity of risk in the PAD population and may assist in clinical risk stratification and therapeutic decision making**