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A Prospective, Randomised, Non-Inferiority Trial Comparing
Biolimus-Eluting Stent With Biodegradable Polymer Versus
Sirolimus-Eluting Stent With Durable Polymer

Clinical Result Overview



Biolimus A9™ Eluting Stent (BES)

The abluminal biodegradable polymer DES

ABLUMINAL BIODEGRADABLE COATING

Early BMS-like endothelial coverage¹
More targeted tissue release
Less systemic exposure



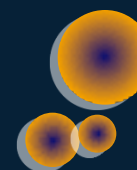
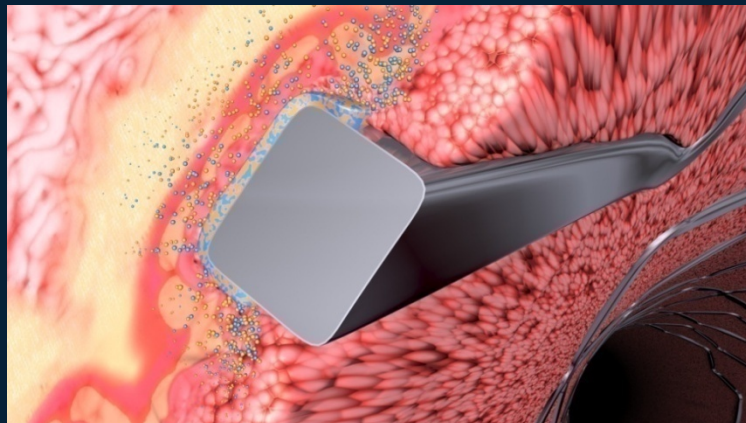
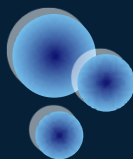
BIOLIMUS A9™ DRUG

Biosensors' proprietary rapamycin derivative
Highest lipophilicity of the common limus drugs



BIODEGRADABLE PLA

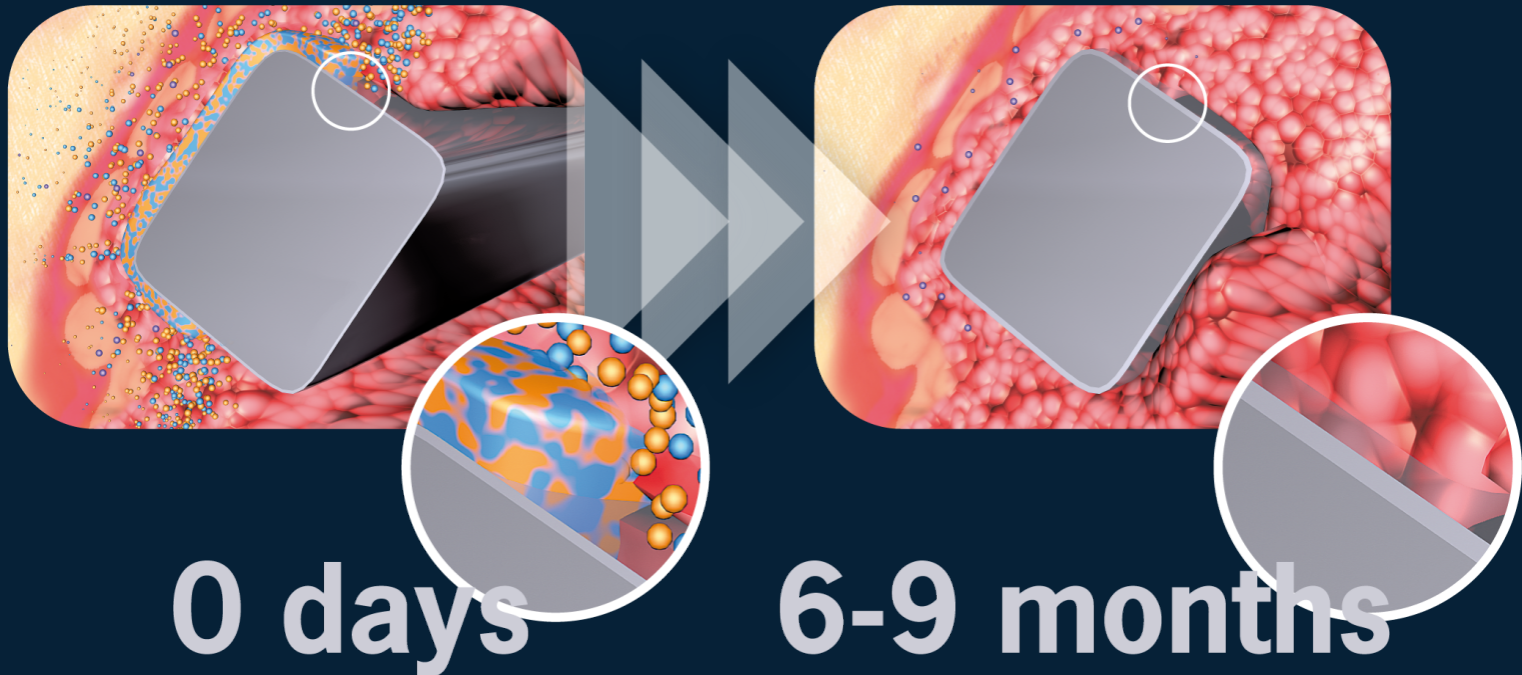
PLA biodegradation along with BA9™ elution
No PLA /BA9™ coating on the stent after 6 to 9 months^{*}



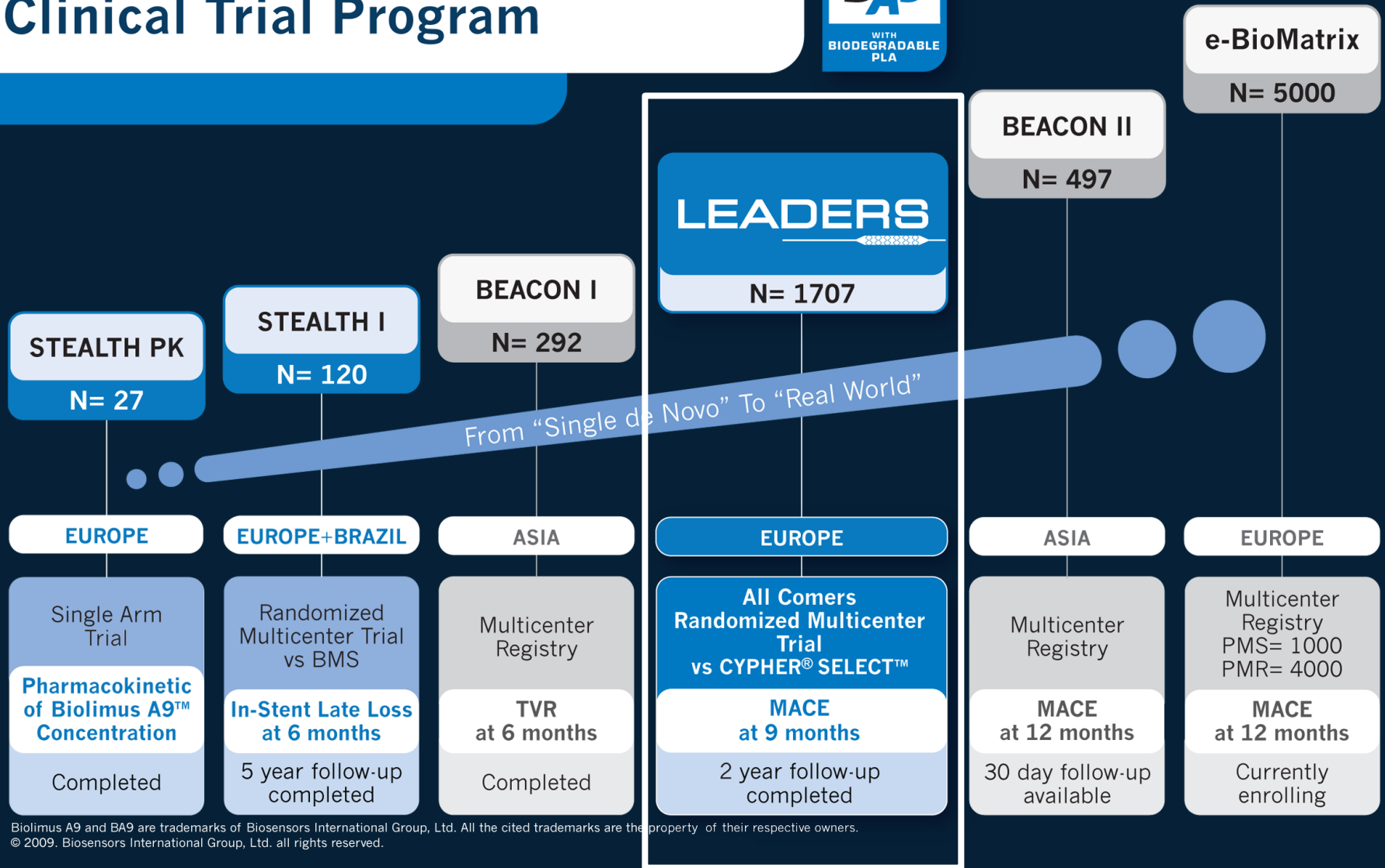
Biolumus A9™ Eluting Stent – The abluminal biodegradable polymer DES

**PLA biodegradation
and BA9™ elution**

**Abluminal biodegradable coating
absorbed after 6-9 months***



Biolimus A9™ / Biodegradable Polymer DES Clinical Trial Program



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Trial Design

Stable and ACS Patients Undergoing PCI

Assessor-blind
1:1 Randomisation

N=1700 Patients

BES

BioMatrix* Flex N=850

SES

Cypher Select N=850

1:3 Randomisation

Clinical F/U
N=640

Angio F/U
N=210

Clinical F/U
N=640

Angio F/U
N=210

1° endpoint:

2° endpoints:

Angiographic study:

DAPT recommended for 12 months

CV death, MI, clinically-indicated TVR (9 month)

Death, CV death, MI, TLR, TVR

Stent thrombosis according to ARC

In-stent % diameter stenosis

Late loss, binary restenosis



Patient Eligibility

Inclusion Criteria

Coronary artery disease

- Stable angina
- Silent ischemia
- Acute coronary syndrome including UA, NSTEMI and STEMI

At least one lesion with

- Diameter stenosis $\geq 50\%$
- RVD: 2.25-3.5 mm
- Number of lesions: no limitation
- Number of vessels: no limitation
- Lesion length: no limitation

Written informed consent

Exclusion Criteria

Known allergy to

- aspirin, clopidogrel, heparin, stainless steel, sirolimus, biolimus, contrast material

Planned, elective surgery within 6 months of PCI unless dual APT could be maintained

Pregnancy

Participation in another trial



Patient Demographics

	BES 857 Patients	SES 850 Patients
Age in years	65 ± 11	65 ± 11
Male gender	75%	75%
Arterial hypertension	74%	73%
Diabetes mellitus	26%	23%
- insulin-dependent	10%	9%
Hypercholesterolemia	65%	68%
Family history	40%	44%
Smoking	24%	25%
Previous MI	32%	33%
Previous PCI	36%	37%
- with drug-eluting stent	12%	14%
Previous CABG	11%	13%
Chronic stable angina	45%	44%

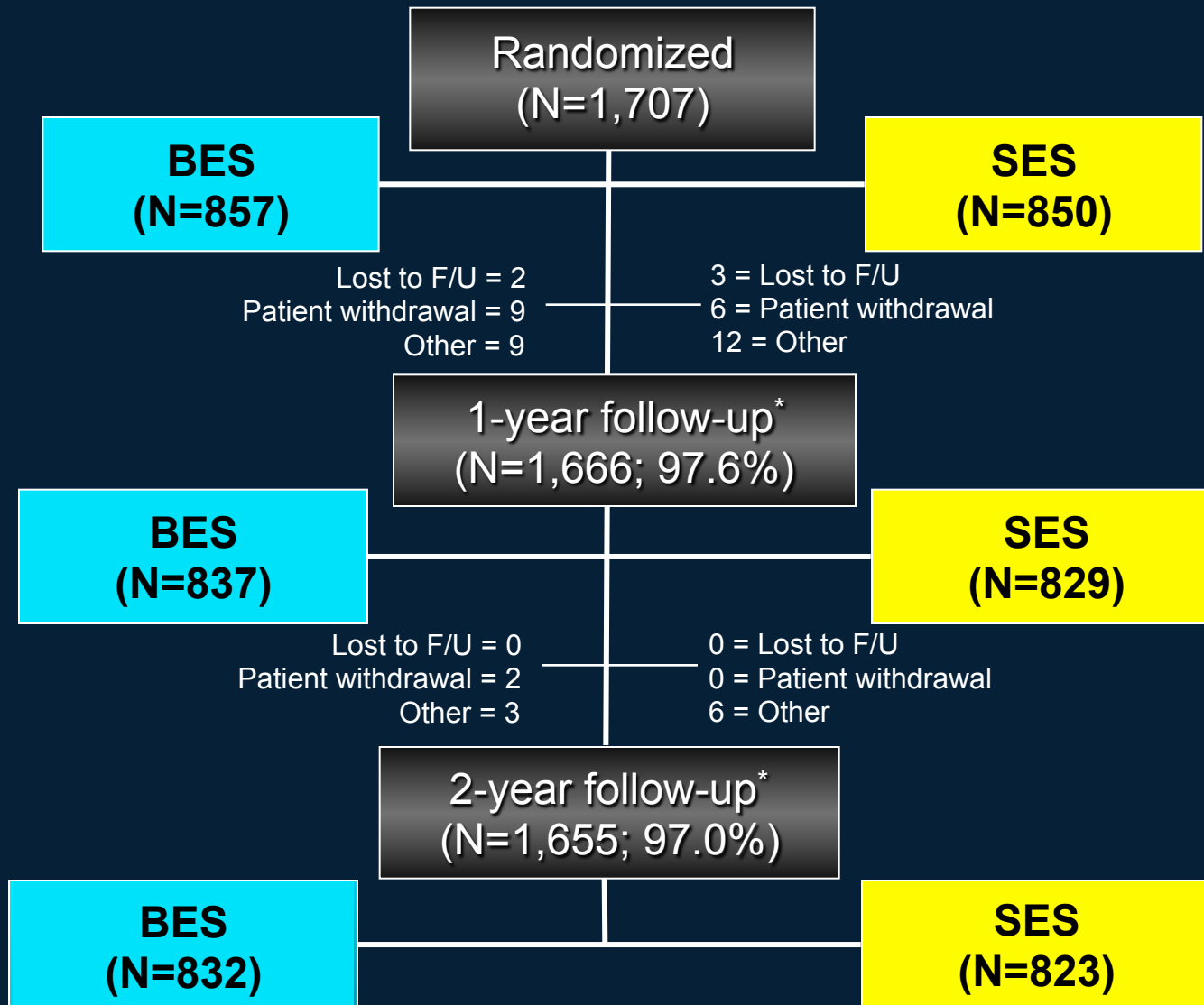


Patient Characteristics

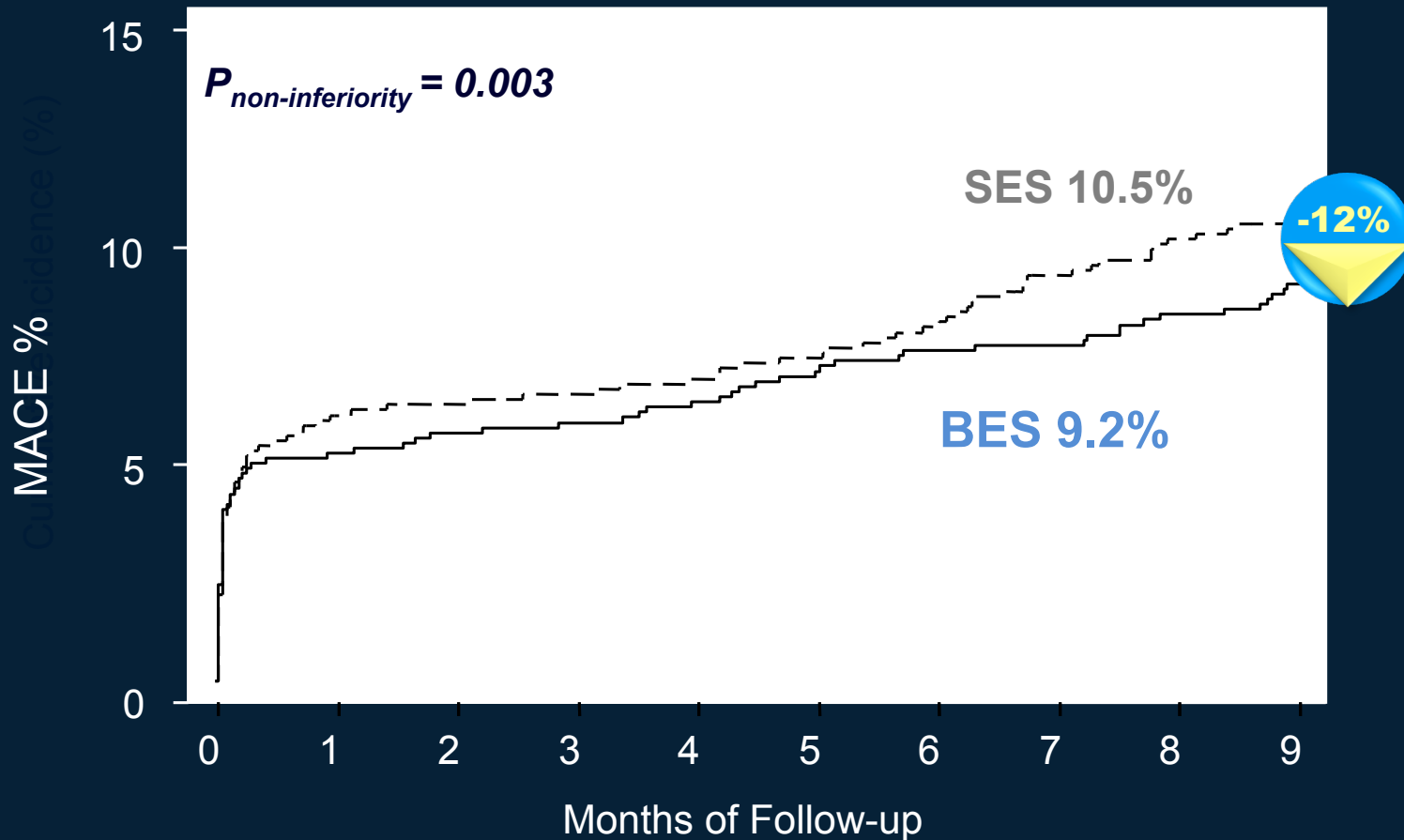
	BES 857 Patients	SES 850 Patients
Acute coronary syndrome	55%	56%
- Unstable angina	22%	21%
- Non-ST-elevation MI	17%	18%
- ST-elevation MI	16%	17%
Left ventricular ejection fraction	56 ± 11%	55 ± 12%
Number of lesions per patient	1.5 ± 0.7	1.4 ± 0.7
Lesions per patient		
- 1 lesion	63%	69%
- 2 lesions	29%	22%
- 3 lesions	7%	8%
- > 4 lesions	1%	2%
De novo lesions	92%	91%
Long lesions (>20 mm)	31%	27%
Small vessels (RVD ≤2.75 mm)	68%	69%
Off label use	81%	78%



Patient Flow - Clinical



Primary Endpoint Cardiac Death, MI and TVR @ 9 Months²



BES reached its primary endpoint



Long Term Results

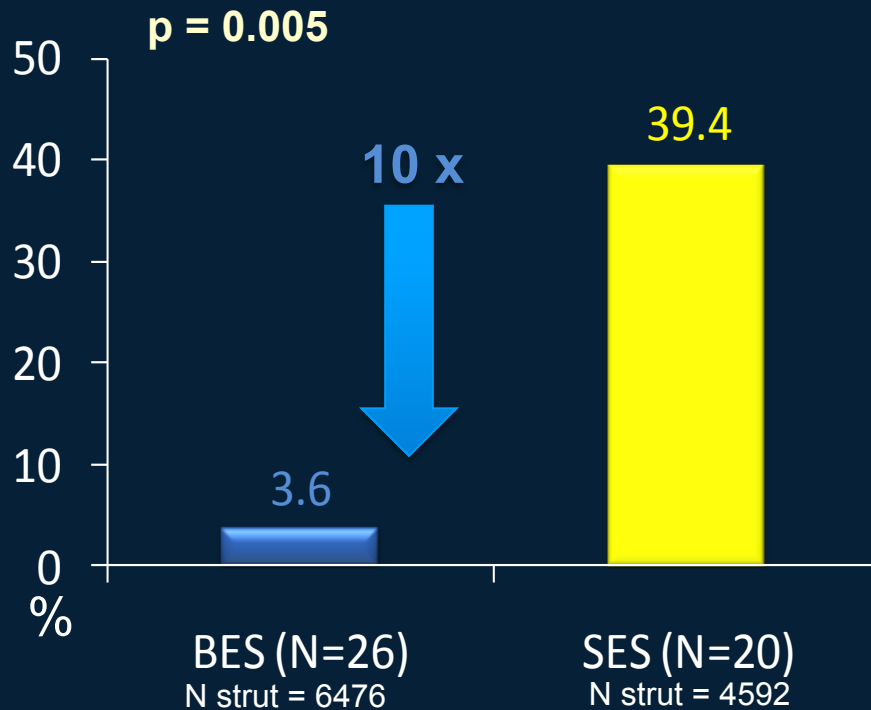
Proven Safety and Efficacy



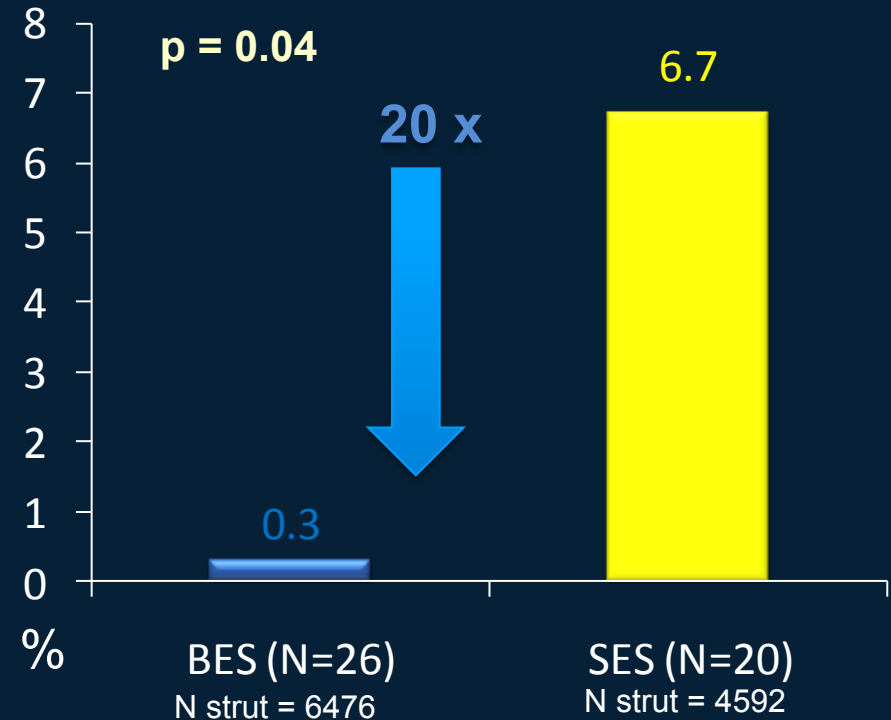
Superior Strut Coverage and Stent Apposition³



Lesions with at least 5% uncovered struts



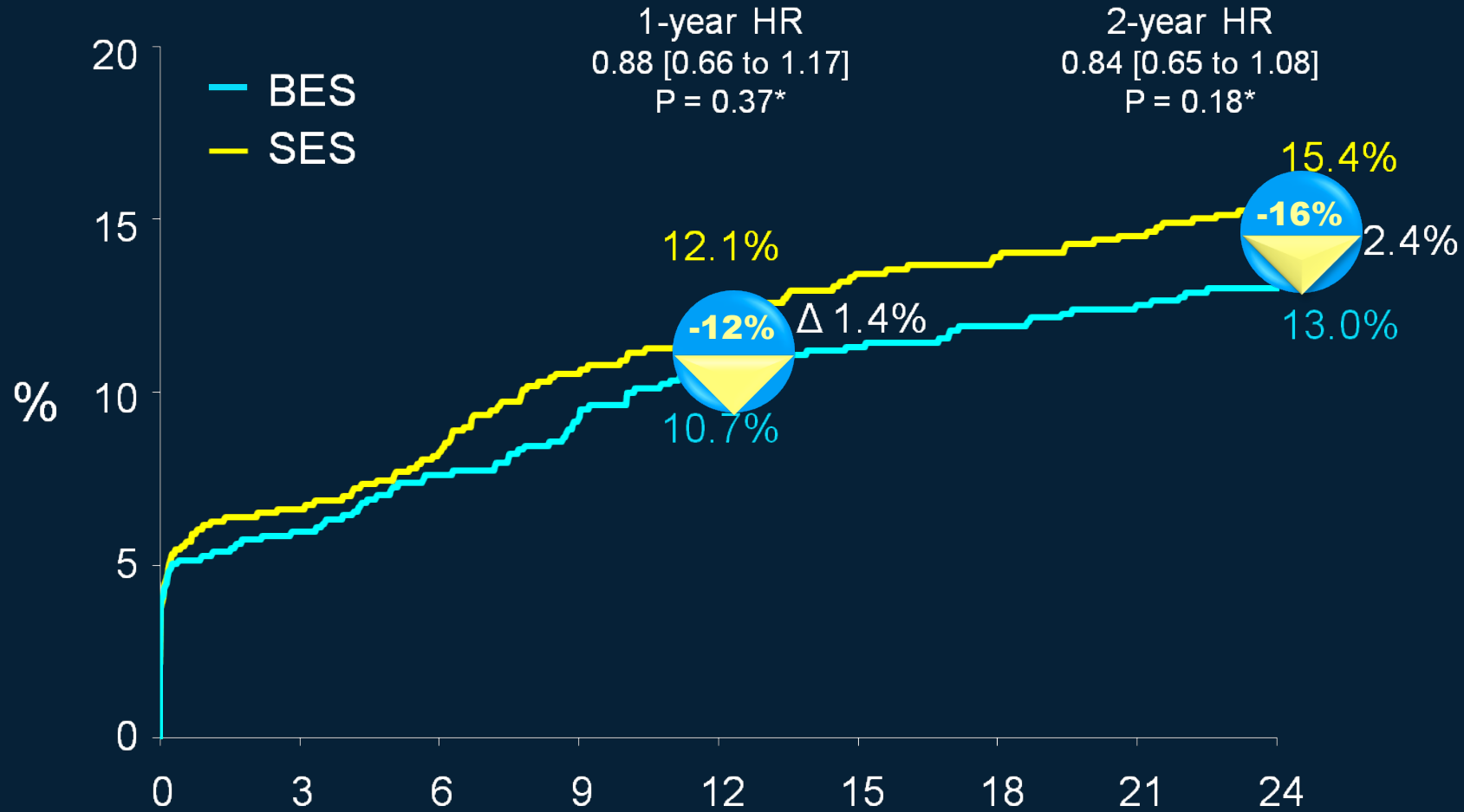
Lesions with at least 5% malapposed struts



BES with an abluminal biodegradable polymer achieved a 10 x better strut coverage and a 20 x better stent apposition vs. SES with a symmetric durable polymer at 9 months



MACE⁴



Number at risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
BES	857	804	795	777	760	742	731	725	716
SES	850	791	786	771	747	727	712	707	694

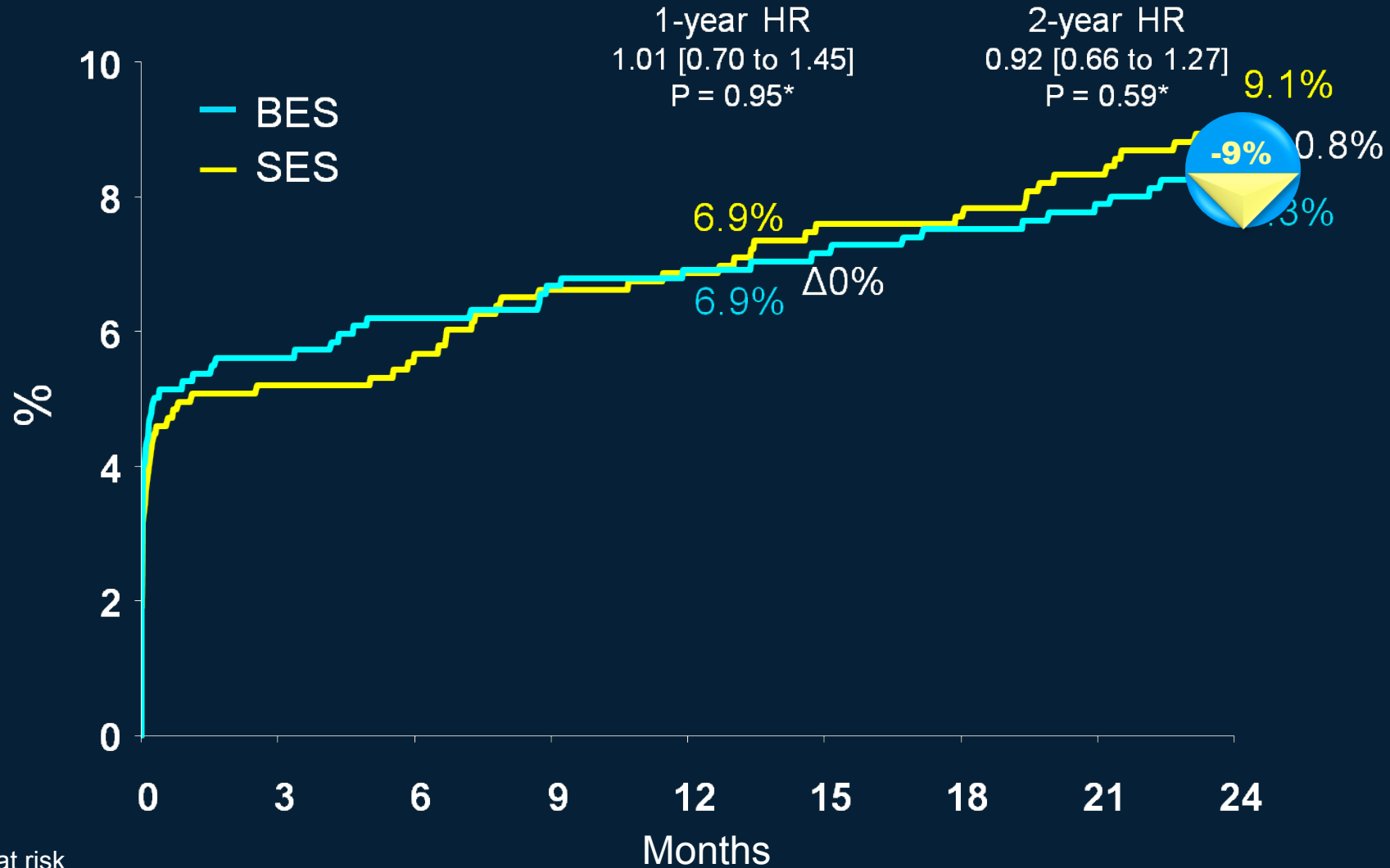
MACE = Cardiac Death, MI, or Clinically-Indicated TVR

*P values for superiority

⁴ Klauss V., TCT 2009



Cardiac Death or MI⁴



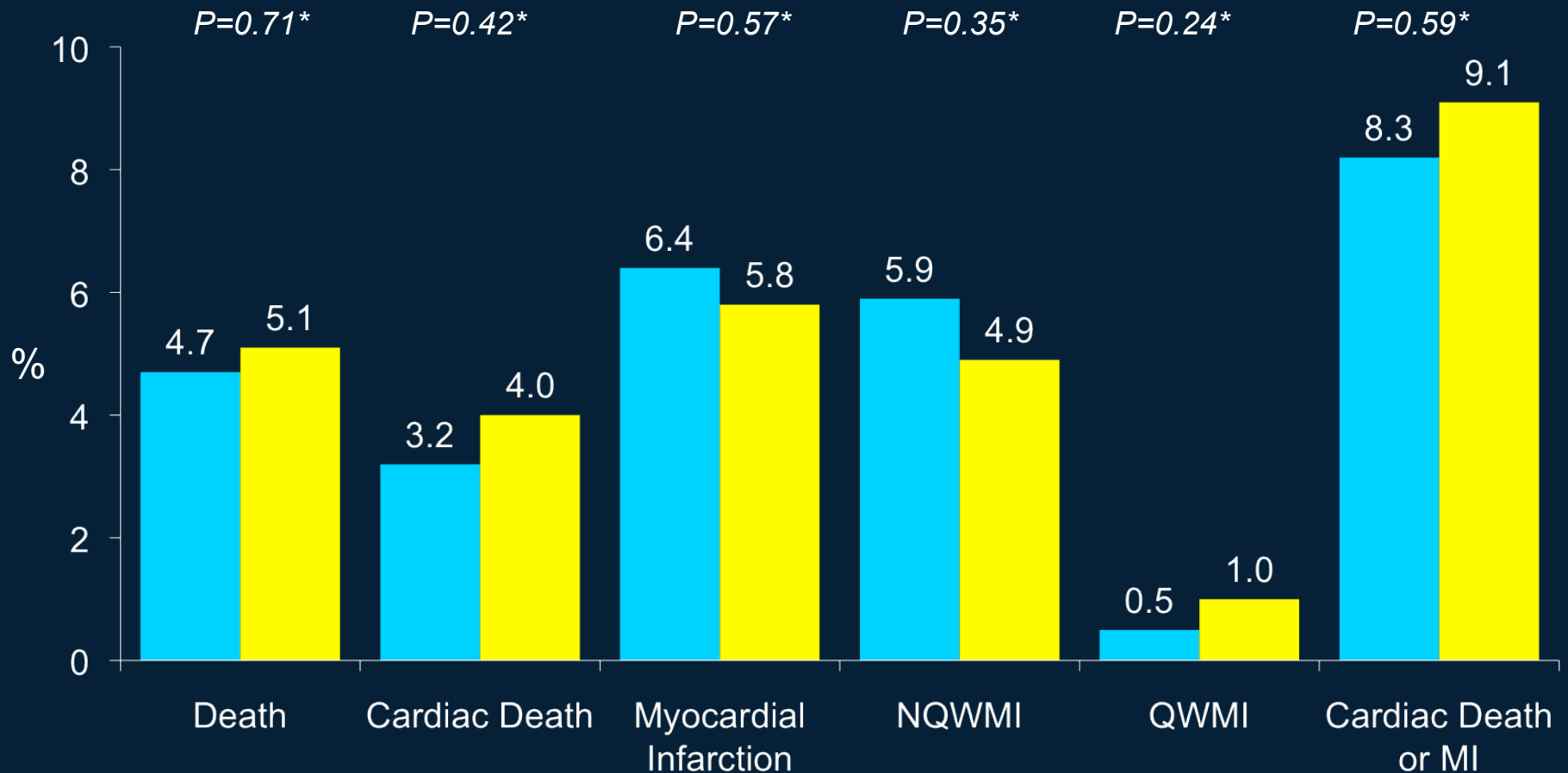
Number at risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
BES	857	804	797	788	780	772	764	760	752
SES	850	801	798	793	779	770	758	755	742

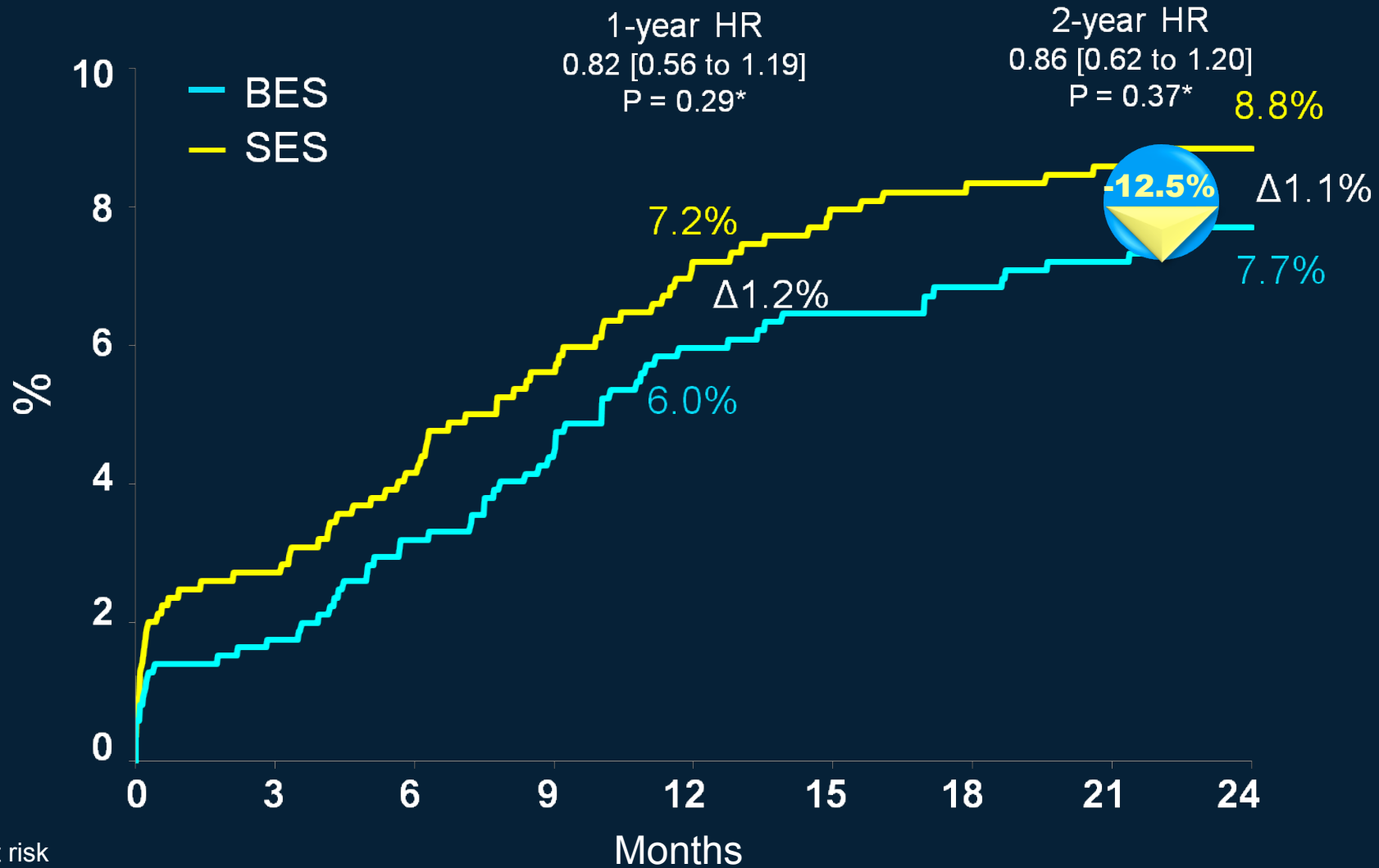


2-Year Safety Endpoints⁴

■ BES (N=857) ■ SES (N=850)



Clinically-Indicated TVR⁴



Number at risk

BES	857	832	823	805	788	767	755	750	741
SES	850	8814	809	791	770	747	735	729	717

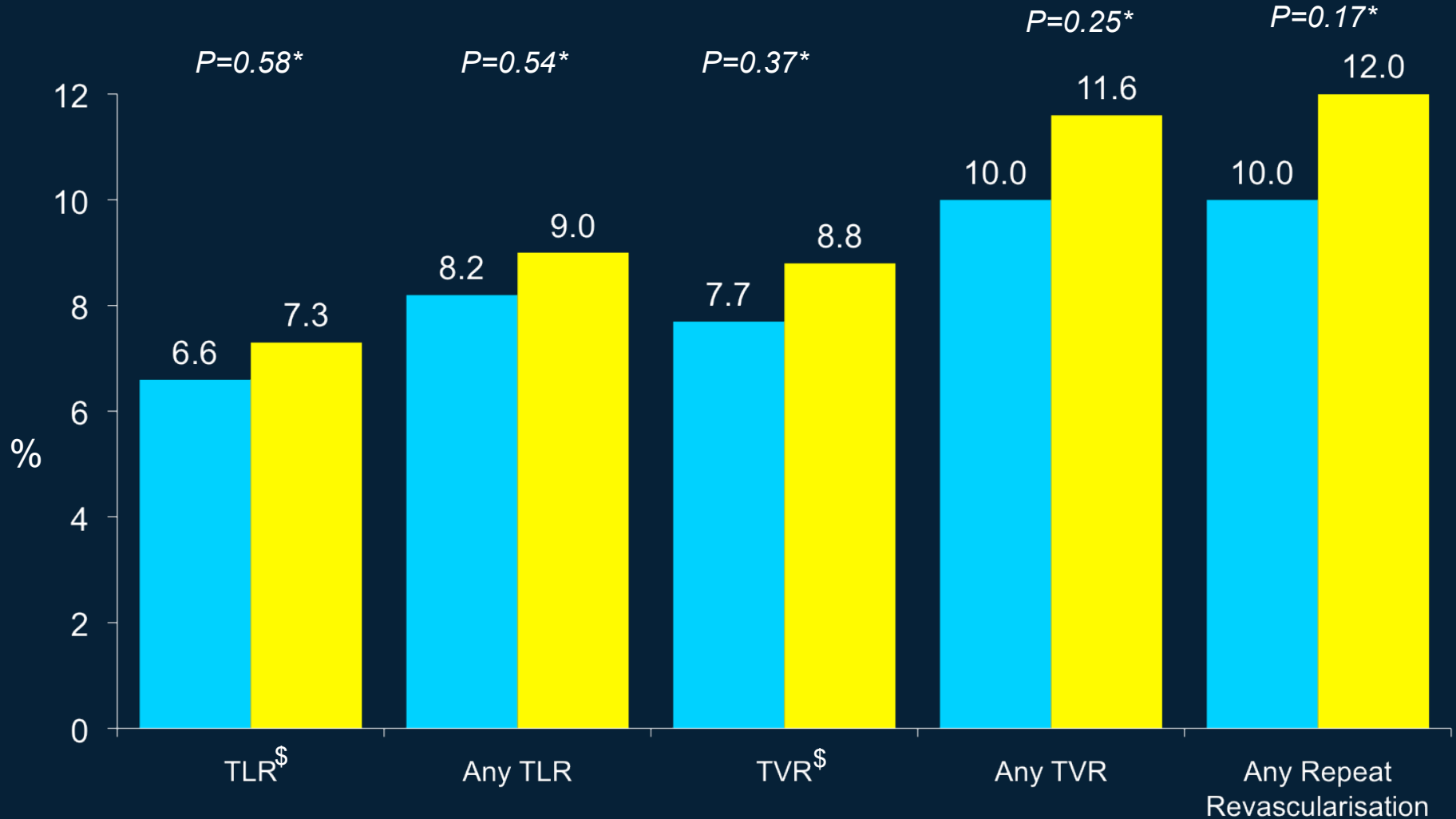
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2-Year Efficacy Endpoints⁴

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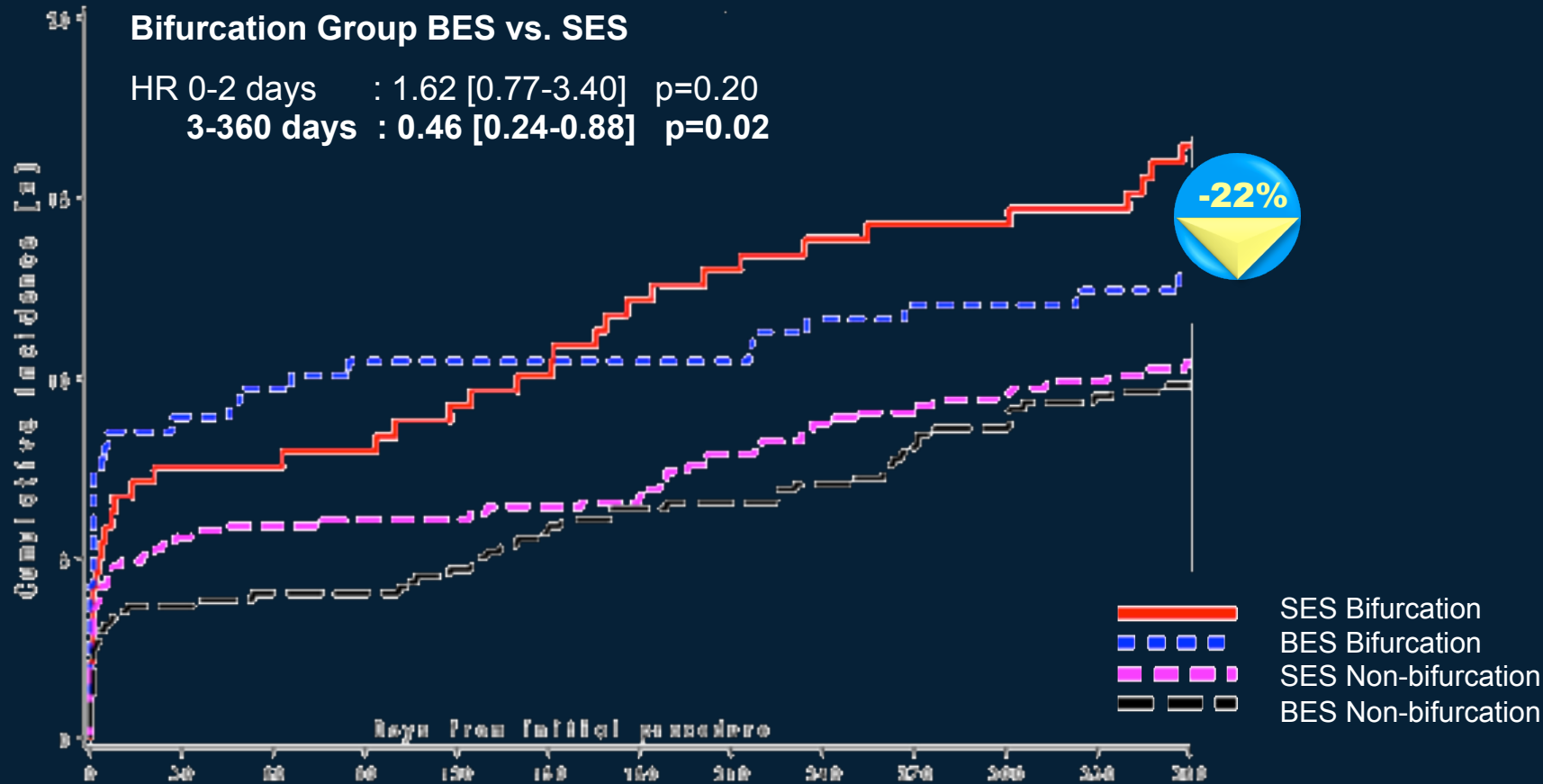


Advantage in Complex Patients



Complex Patients – Bifurcation Lesions

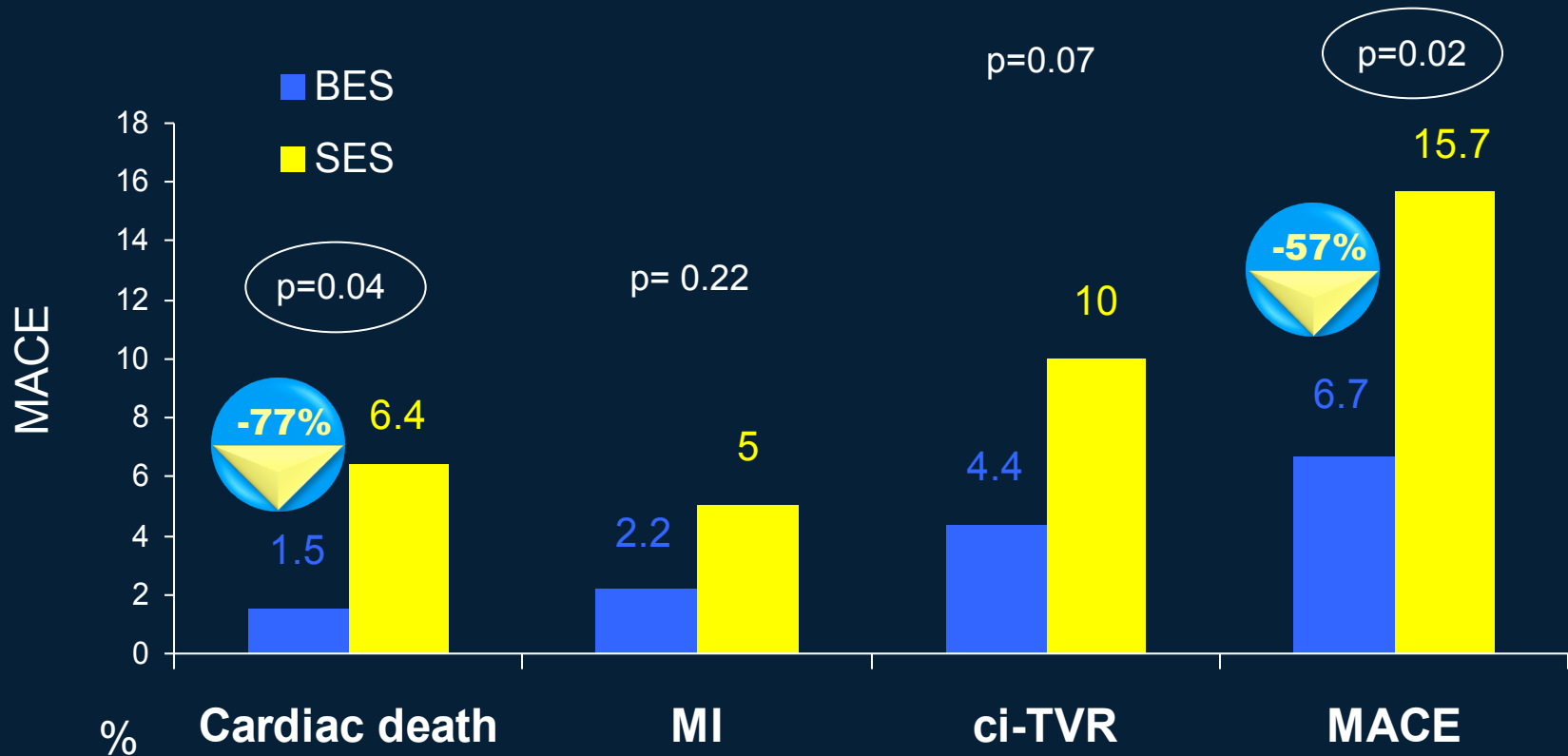
12 Month MACE⁵



Significant reduction in MACE for BES vs. SES in bifurcation lesions up to 12 months



Complex Patients – STEMI 12 Month MACE⁶

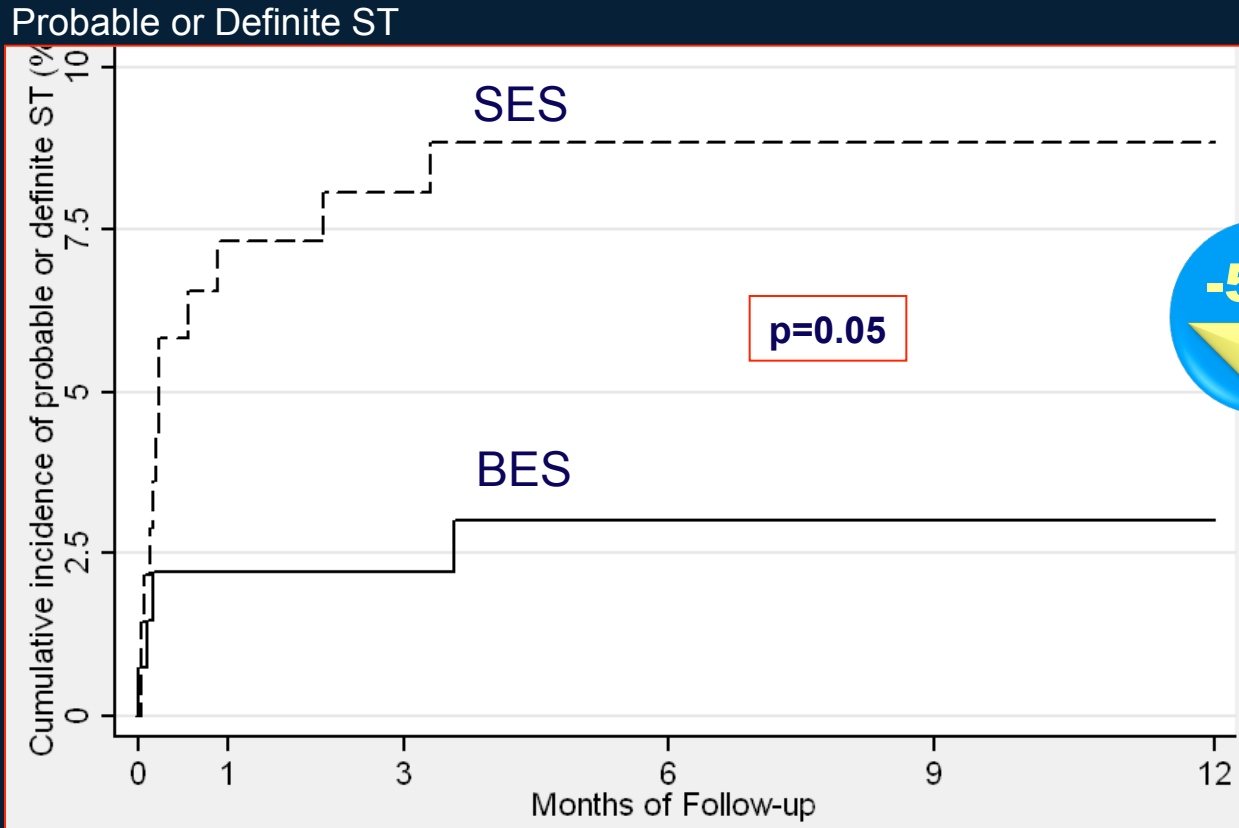


**Superior clinical outcomes
for the BES vs. SES up to 12 months**



Complex Patients - STEMI

12 Month Def/Prob Stent Thrombosis⁶



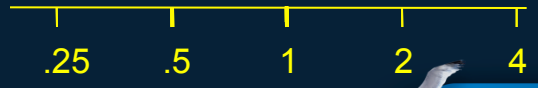
BES has significant lower rates of ST vs. SES up to 12 months



Stratified Analysis of MACE @ 2 Years⁴

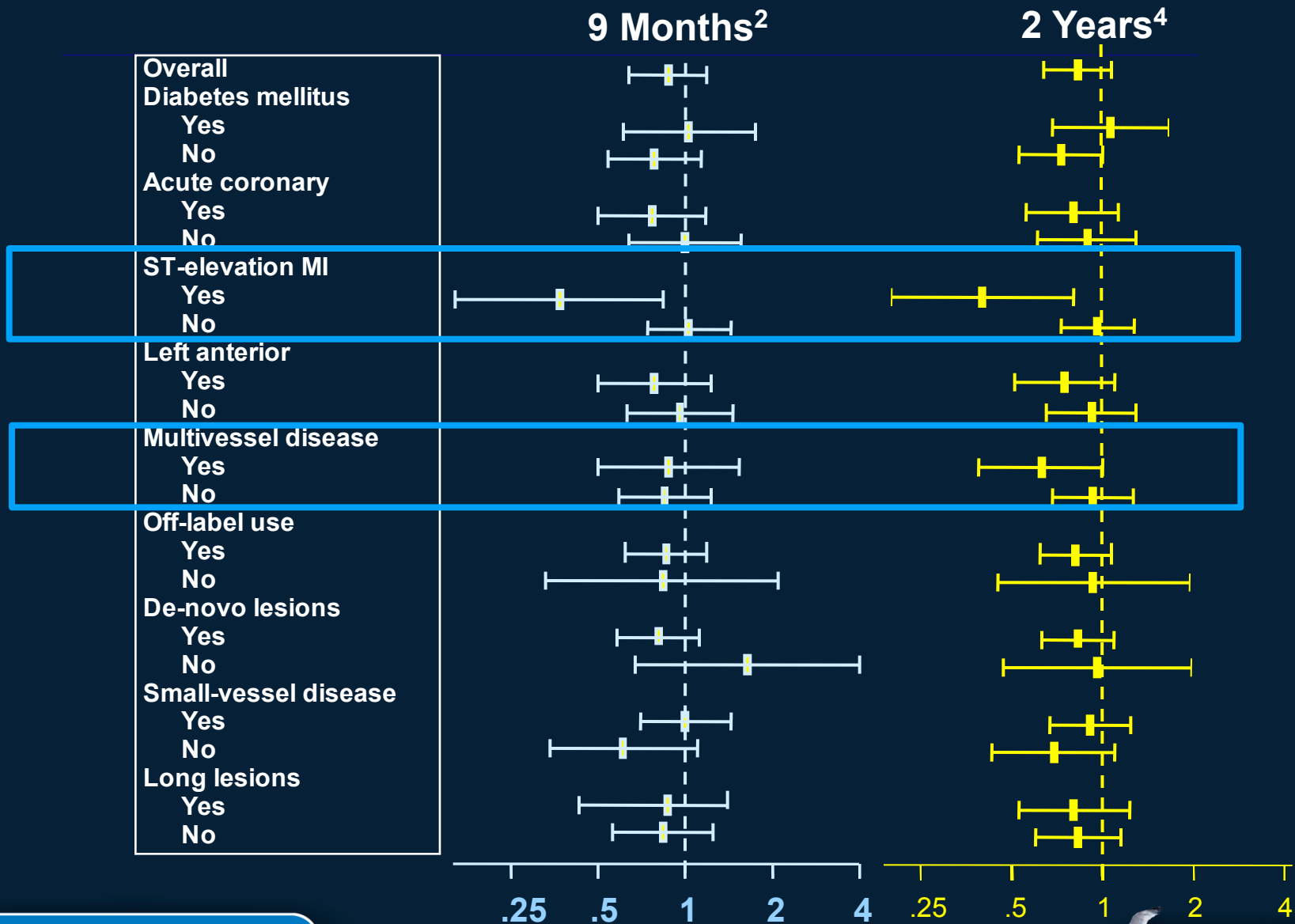
	BES	SES	Risk Ratio (95% CI)	<i>P</i> Value	<i>P</i> _{Int}
Overall	109/857	129/850	0.83 (0.64 to 1.07)		ns
Diabetes mellitus					ns
Yes	44/223	36/191	1.06 (0.68 to 1.65)	0.79	
No	66/634	93/659	0.73 (0.53 to 1.00)	0.05	
Acute coronary					ns
Yes	56/470				
No	54/387				
ST-elevation MI					
Yes	11/135				
No	99/722				
Left anterior					ns
Yes	46/407	62/417	0.75 (0.51 to 1.10)	0.14	
No	64/449	67/431	0.92 (0.65 to 1.29)	0.62	
Multivessel disease					ns
Yes	31/209	41/176	0.63 (0.39 to 1.00)	0.05	
No	79/648	88/674	0.93 (0.68 to 1.26)	0.63	
Off-label use					ns
Yes	97/696	113/665	0.81 (0.62 to 1.07)	0.13	
No	13/160	16/183	0.93 (0.45 to 1.94)	0.85	
De-novo lesions					ns
Yes	96/788	113/774	0.83 (0.63 to 1.09)	0.18	
No	14/68	16/74	0.96 (0.47 to 1.96)	0.9	
Small-vessel disease					ns
Yes	80/585	85/568	0.91 (0.67 to 1.24)	0.57	
No	30/271	44/280	0.69 (0.43 to 1.10)	0.11	
Long lesions					ns
Yes	43/262	45/225	0.80 (0.53 to 1.23)	0.31	
No	67/594	84/623	0.83 (0.60 to 1.15)	0.26	

MACE 8.1% for BES vs 19.3% for SES
*p*_{sup} < 0.01



Stratified Analysis of MACE

9 Months vs. 2 Years



²Windecker S. et al., The Lancet 2008; 372 No. 9644: 1163-1173

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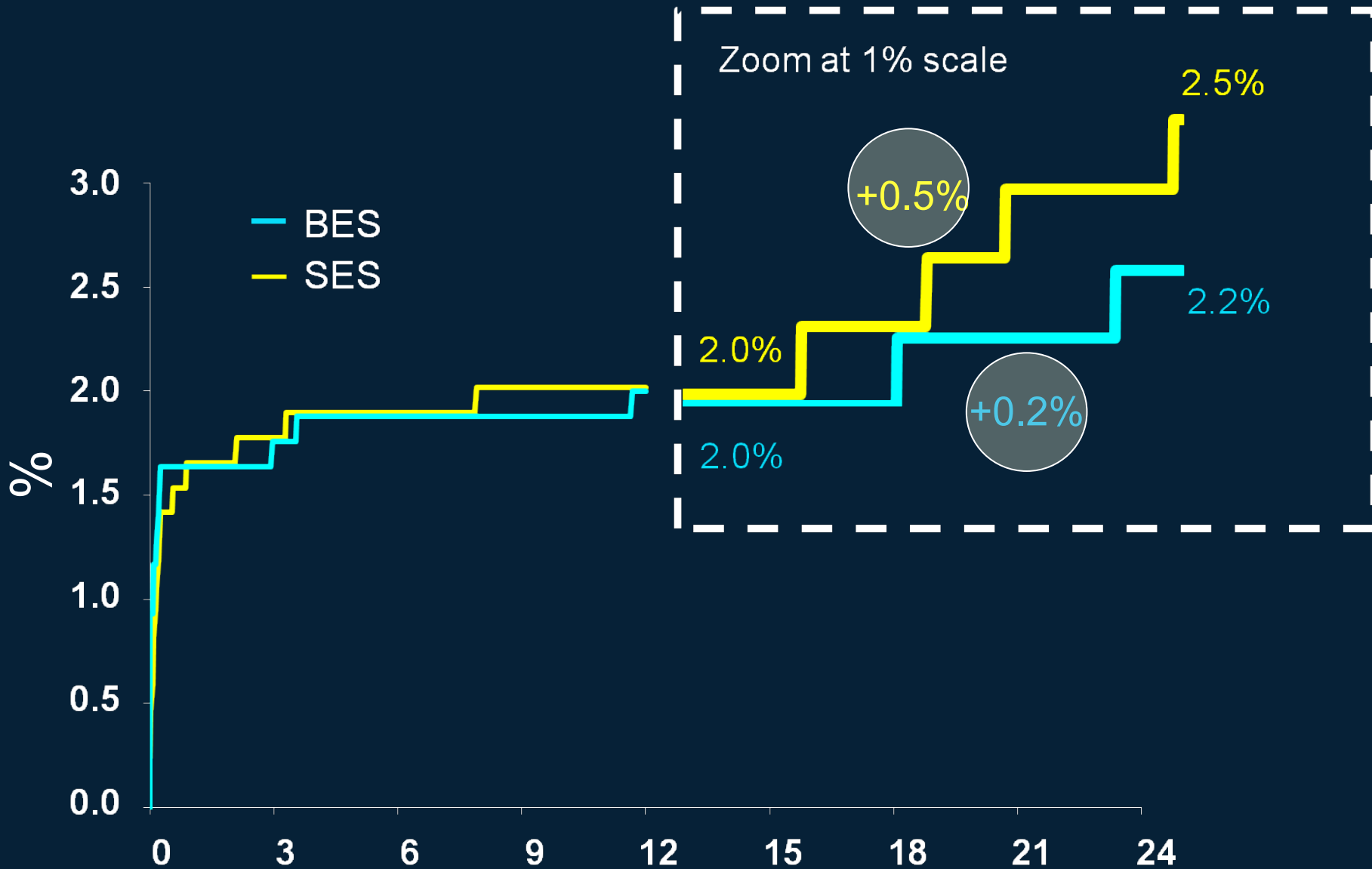


Very Late Stent Thrombosis

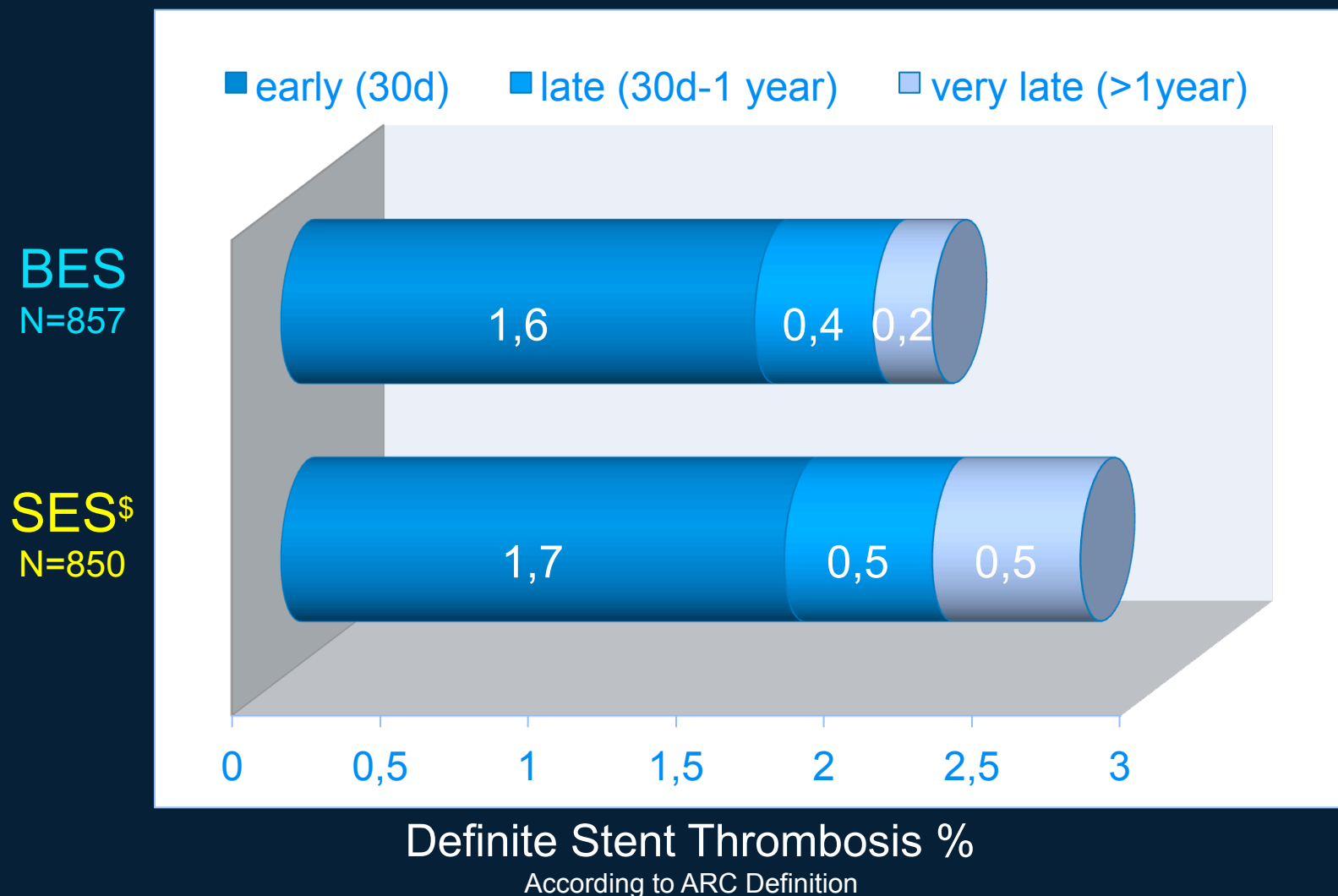
Signs of Safety Benefits Beyond One Year



Definite ST through 2 Years⁴



Primary and Secondary Definite ST



\$Includes one secondary, definite ST occurring at 60 days in a patient who had early ST at 3 days

**P values for superiority*

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Antiplatelet Agent Utilization⁴

	BES	SES	P value*
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Aspirin

- At 9 months	96.6% (n=818)	97.4% (n=798)	0.39
- At 12 months	97.0% (n=810)	96.1% (n=801)	0.34
- At 24 months	94.9% (n=789)	94.2% (n=778)	0.58

Clopidrogel/Thienopyridine

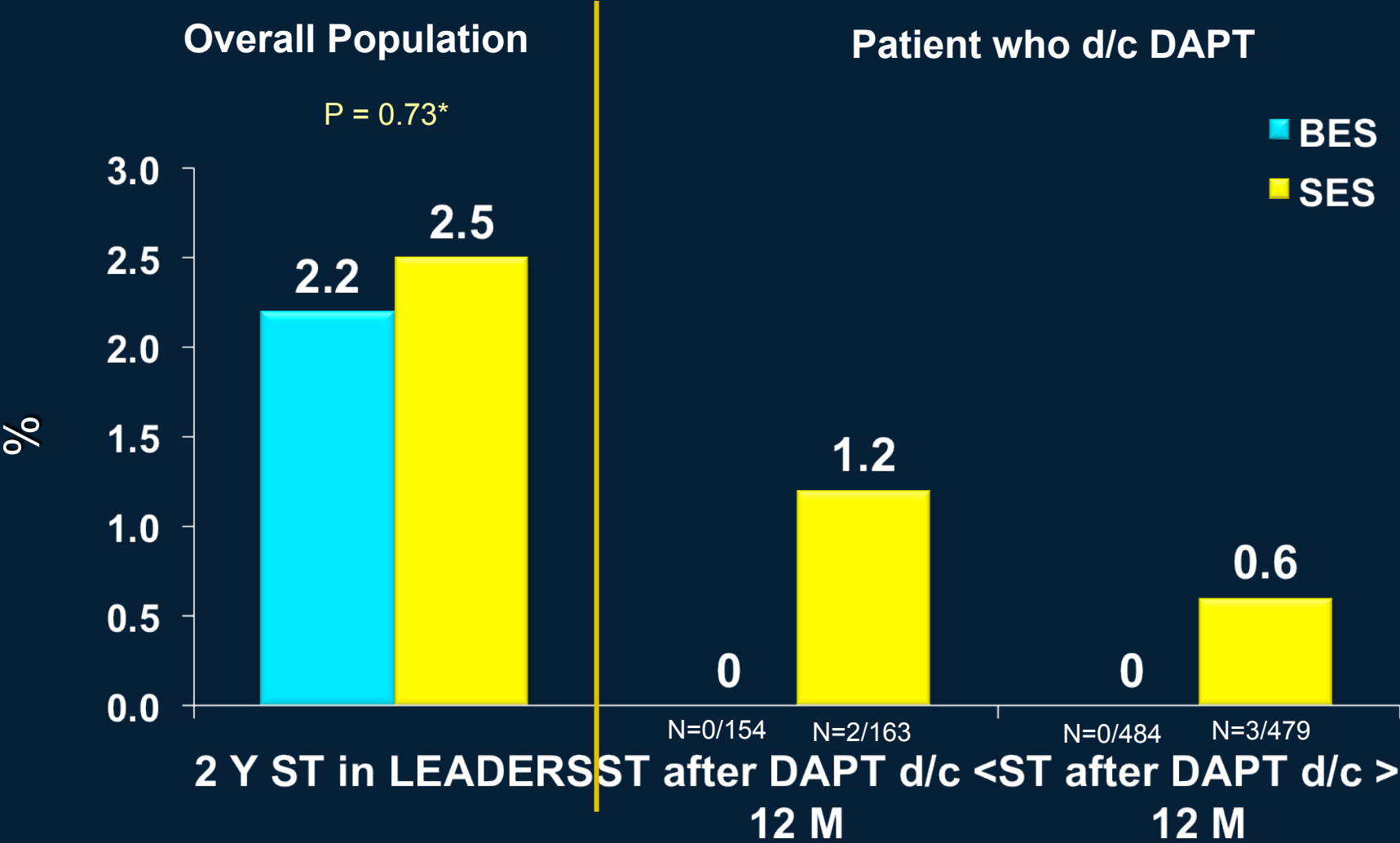
- At 9 months	95.6% (n=818)	95.2% (n=798)	0.81
- At 12 months	68.1% (n=810)	66.5% (n=801)	0.52
- At 24 months	23.4% (n=789)	24.3% (n=778)	0.72

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Effect of DAPT Discontinuation⁴



Conclusions

9 months follow-up

- *Primary endpoint met: non-inferior MACE rate at 9 months
(9.2% BES vs. 10.5% SES $p=0.003$)*
- *BES showed superior strut coverage and stent apposition at 9 months in OCT sub-analysis*

2 years follow-up

- *Non-inferiority of BES vs. SES in an all-comers population was sustained up to 2 years*
- *BES showed superior outcomes in STEMI patients
(MACE was 8.1% for BES vs. 19.3% for SES $p_{\text{sup}} < 0.01$)*



Conclusions

Very Late Stent Thrombosis

- *Although this was an all-comers study, very late stent thrombosis events were rare (BES 0.2% vs. SES 0.5% $p_{\text{sup}} = 0.73$)*
- *BES VLST events were limited to SVGs*
- *There were no VLST events in BES patients following discontinuation of DAPT*

