

# A Prospective, Randomised Investigation of a Novel Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation System: **The REPRISE III Trial**

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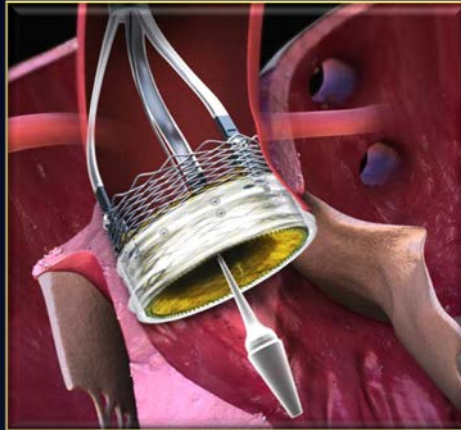
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# Background



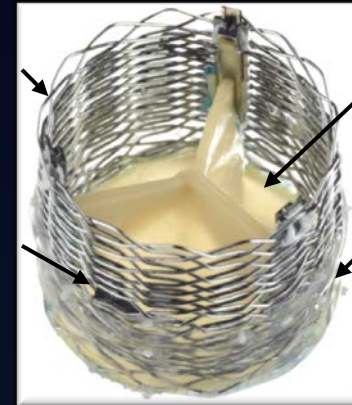
- Transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI): Well-established alternative to surgery for patients with severe aortic stenosis
- Current TAVI limitations include: Suboptimal deployment & paravalvular leak
- Lotus Valve System: Fully repositionable & retrievable TAVI device; Adaptive Seal to minimise PVL

Lotus  
Valve  
System



Nitinol  
Frame

Radiopaque  
Marker



Bovine  
Pericardium

Adaptive  
Seal

- Controlled mechanical expansion; rapid pacing not needed during deployment
- Early valve function; haemodynamic stability during implantation
- Complete assessment before release; reposition/retrieve if not acceptable

# REPRISE III Trial Characteristics



## DESIGN

- Global, prospective, multicentre, randomised, controlled, noninferiority trial to compare safety & effectiveness with the Lotus valve versus a self-expanding TAVI valve in patients at extreme or high surgical risk

## PRIMARY / SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

- **Primary Safety:** Composite of all-cause mortality, stroke, life-threatening and major bleeding events, acute kidney injury (stage 2/3) and major vascular complications at 30 days
- **Primary Effectiveness:** Composite of all-cause mortality, disabling stroke, and moderate or greater paravalvular leak (core lab assessment) at 1 year
- **Secondary:** Moderate or greater PVL (core lab assessment) at 1 year

## INDEPENDENT DATA ASSESSMENTS

- Clinical Events Committee
- Core Labs (Angiography & CT/X-ray, Echocardiography, ECG, Pathology)
- Independent Data Validation (primary, secondary & clinical endpoints)

# REPRISE III Study Organization



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# REPRISE III Key Enrollment Criteria



## **Inclusion**

- Symptomatic calcified native aortic stenosis
- NYHA Class  $\geq$  II; aortic annulus 20-27mm diameter
- STS score  $\geq$  8% and/or extreme or high surgical risk due to other specific criteria

## **Exclusion – Clinical**

- AMI within 30 days
- Cerebrovascular accident or transient ischaemic attack within 6 months
- End-stage renal disease or GFR  $<$  20 (based on Cockcroft-Gault formula)
- Cardiogenic shock or haemodynamic instability
- Any therapeutic invasive cardiac procedure within 30 days (except balloon aortic valvuloplasty or permanent pacemaker implantation)
- Untreated coronary artery disease requiring revascularisation
- GI bleed within 3 months
- Life expectancy  $<$  12 months due to non-cardiac, co-morbid conditions

## **Exclusion – Anatomic**

- Unicuspid/bicuspid aortic valve, prosthetic valve or ring
- 4+ aortic, mitral, or tricuspid regurgitation
- Femoral arterial access that is not acceptable for both test & control devices
- LVEF  $<$  20%



# REPRISE III RCT Study Algorithm



Severe aortic stenosis; extreme or high operative risk  
Annulus  $\geq 20$  mm and  $\leq 27$  mm; transfemoral access

Heart Team assessment →

← Case Review Committee confirmation

Randomised 2:1 (Lotus : CoreValve)  
N=912

Neurologist examination<sup>‡</sup> →

CoreValve<sup>†</sup> (26, 29 & 31mm)

Lotus Valve<sup>\*</sup> (23, 25 & 27mm)

← Neurologist examination<sup>‡</sup>

- DAPT  $\geq 1$ m OR warfarin + ASA or clopidogrel  $\geq 1$ m (if anticoagulation needed)
- Clinical & echocardiographic follow-up: discharge or 7d, 30d, 6m, annually 1-5y

<sup>‡</sup> Performed by a neurologist, neurology fellow, neurology physician assistant, or neurology nurse practitioner

<sup>†</sup> CoreValve platform (includes CoreValve Classic and Evolut R)

<sup>\*</sup> Centres with no Lotus experience enrolled 2 roll-in patients before commencing enrollment of the evaluable cohort

# Enrollment



*912 patients between Sept 2014 & Dec 2015 at 55 centres\**

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58

54

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43

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26

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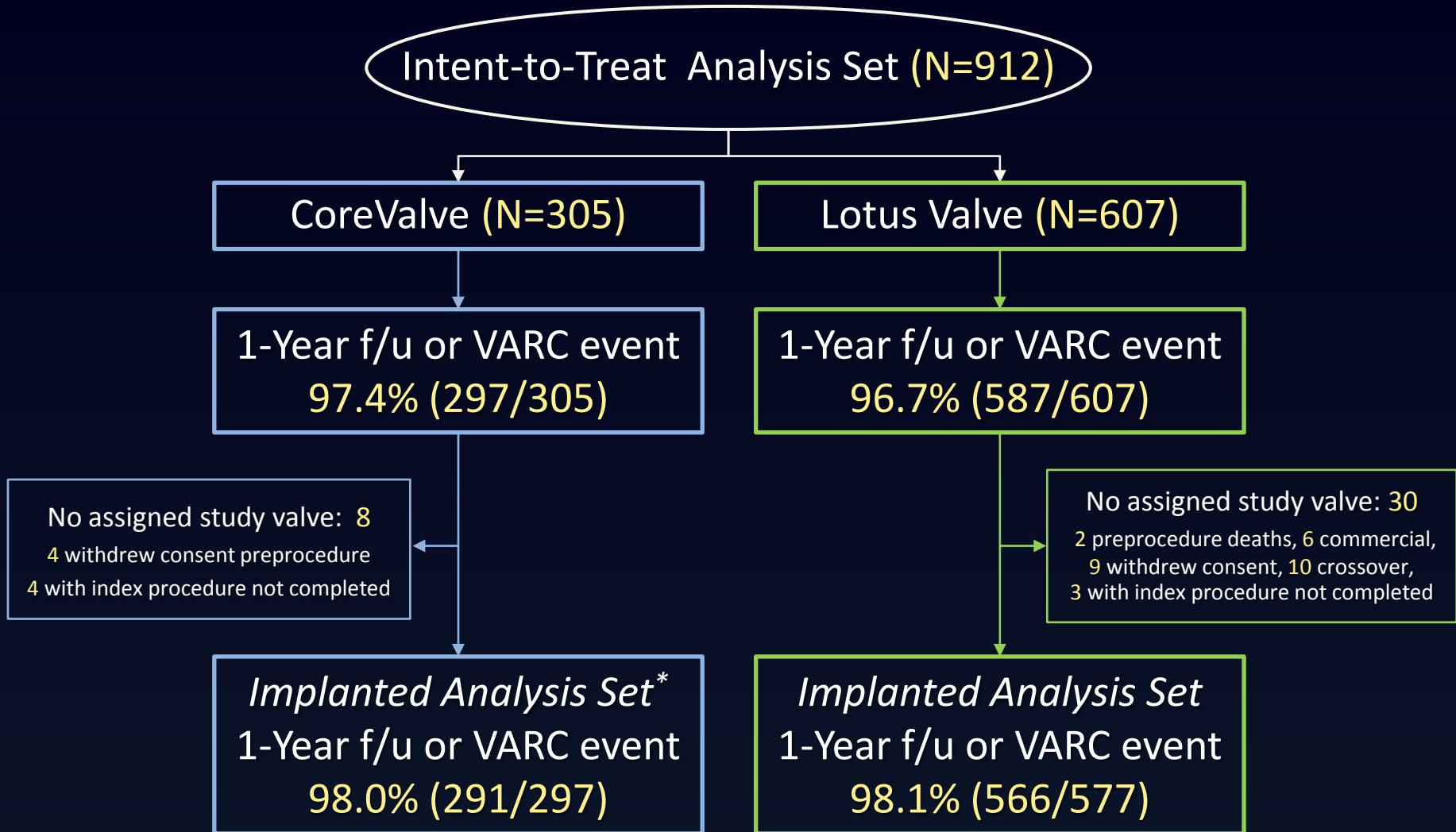
\* United States (792), Germany (53), France (36), Australia (23), The Netherlands (6) & Canada (2)



# Patient Flow



55 Centres: United States, Germany, France, Australia, The Netherlands, Canada



\*153 CoreValve Classic, 144 CoreValve Evolut R

# Baseline Characteristics



## Demographics & Comorbidities – Intent-to-Treat

	CoreValve (N=305)	Lotus (N=607)	P Value
Age, years	82.9±7.6 (305)	82.8±7.1 (607)	0.71
Female sex, %	52.1 (159)	50.1 (304)	0.56
STS score, %	6.9±4.1 (305)	6.7±4.0 (607)	0.49
EuroSCORE II, %	6.4±5.5 (304)	6.4±5.5 (605)	1.00
Extreme surgical risk, %	21.6 (66)	23.1 (140)	0.63
Diabetes, treated, %	32.6 (99)	30.9 (187)	0.60
CAD, %	73.4 (224)	71.5 (433)	0.53
Prior PCI/CABG, %	43.9 (134)	44.6 (271)	0.84
Prior MI, %	19.0 (58)	18.3 (109)	0.78
Atrial fibrillation, %	31.6 (96)	35.1 (213)	0.28
Pacemaker, %	19.0 (58)	17.8 (108)	0.65
Prior stroke, %	14.5 (44)	11.3 (68)	0.17
PVD, %	25.7 (78)	31.1 (187)	0.09
COPD, %	30.7 (93)	31.9 (191)	0.72

Values are % (n) or mean±SD (n)

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# Baseline Characteristics



## Additional Risk Assessments – Intent-to-Treat

Qualifying Risk Criterion	CoreValve (N=305)	Lotus (N=607)	P Value
STS Score $\geq$ 8, %	29.5 (90)	31.0 (188)	0.65
STS Score < 8, %	70.5 (215)	69.0 (419)	0.65
CABG – reoperation risk, %	20.0 (43)	16.0 (67)	0.21
Severe lung disease, %	14.0 (30)	15.3 (64)	0.66
Orthopaedic disease, %	12.6 (27)	18.6 (78)	0.05
Age $\geq$ 90 years, %	12.6 (27)	10.0 (42)	0.33
Severe pulmonary hypertension, %	8.4 (18)	8.1 (34)	0.91
Hostile chest, %	4.7 (10)	4.1 (17)	0.73
Prior chest radiation therapy, %	3.7 (8)	4.1 (17)	0.84
Porcelain aorta, %	3.3 (7)	4.5 (19)	0.44
Neuromuscular disease, %	2.3 (5)	1.4 (6)	0.52
Frailty*, %	70.7 (152)	72.6 (304)	0.62

Values are % (n)

\* Has at least one of the following: 5-metre walk >6 sec, Katz score of 3/6 or less, BMI <21, wheelchair bound, cannot live independently

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# Baseline Echocardiography

## Core Lab Data – Intent-to-Treat



	CoreValve (N=305)	Lotus (N=607)	P Value
Aortic valve area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	0.70±0.19 (280)	0.69±0.19 (541)	0.33
Aortic regurgitation (mod/sev), %	8.3 (24/290)	6.4 (36/562)	0.64
Mean aortic gradient (mmHg)	43.9±12.3 (294)	44.6±13.4 (575)	0.40
Peak aortic gradient (mmHg)	72.4±18.1 (294)	73.6±20.8 (575)	0.40
Mitral regurgitation (mod/sev), %	11.7 (33/283)	10.7 (59/554)	0.66
LVEF (%)	55.9±11.8 (254)	56.1±11.4 (485)	0.80
Doppler velocity index	0.23±0.05 (292)	0.22±0.05 (553)	0.01

Values are % (n/N) or mean±SD (n)

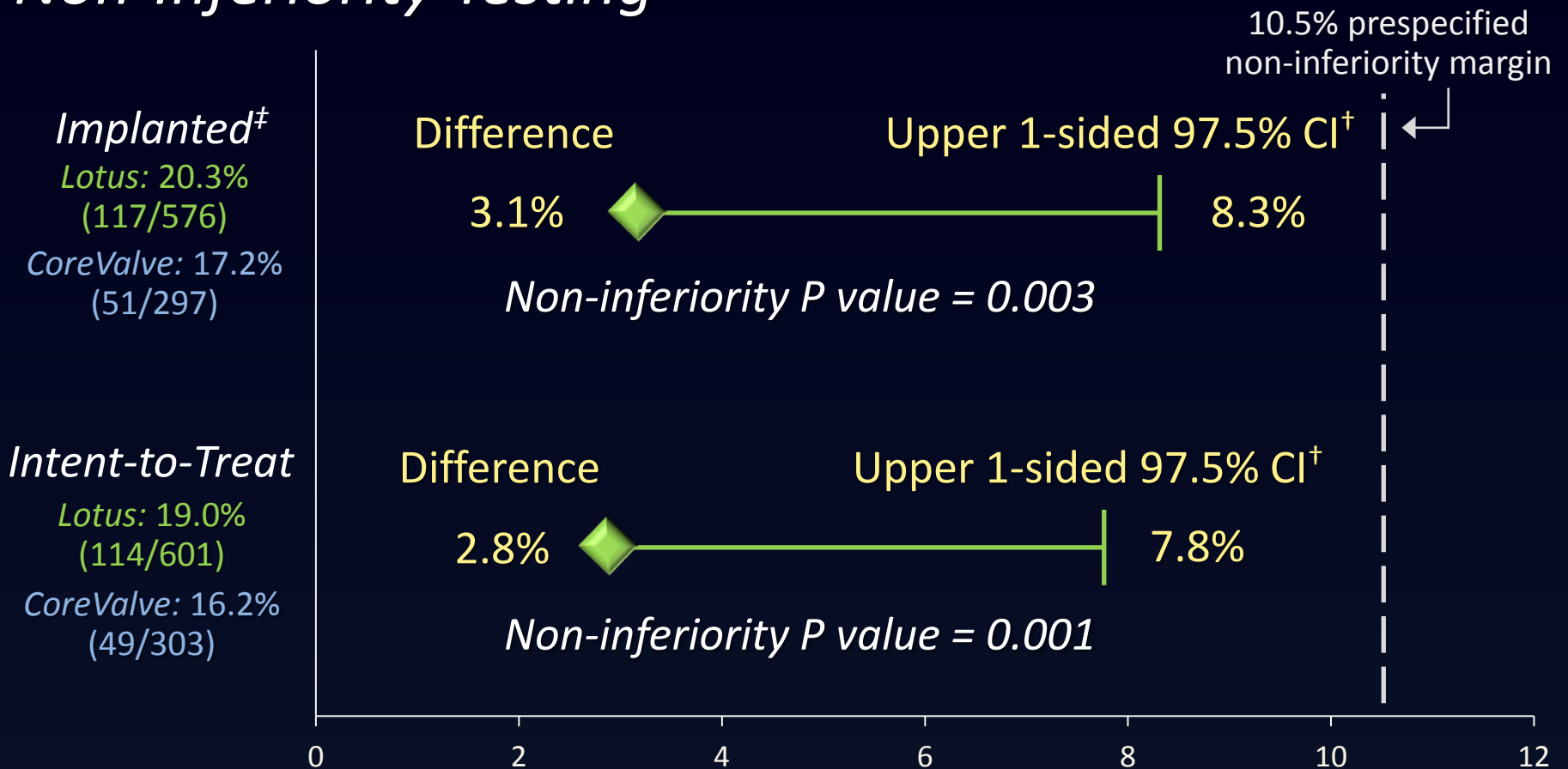
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# Primary Composite Safety Endpoint\*

## Non-Inferiority Testing

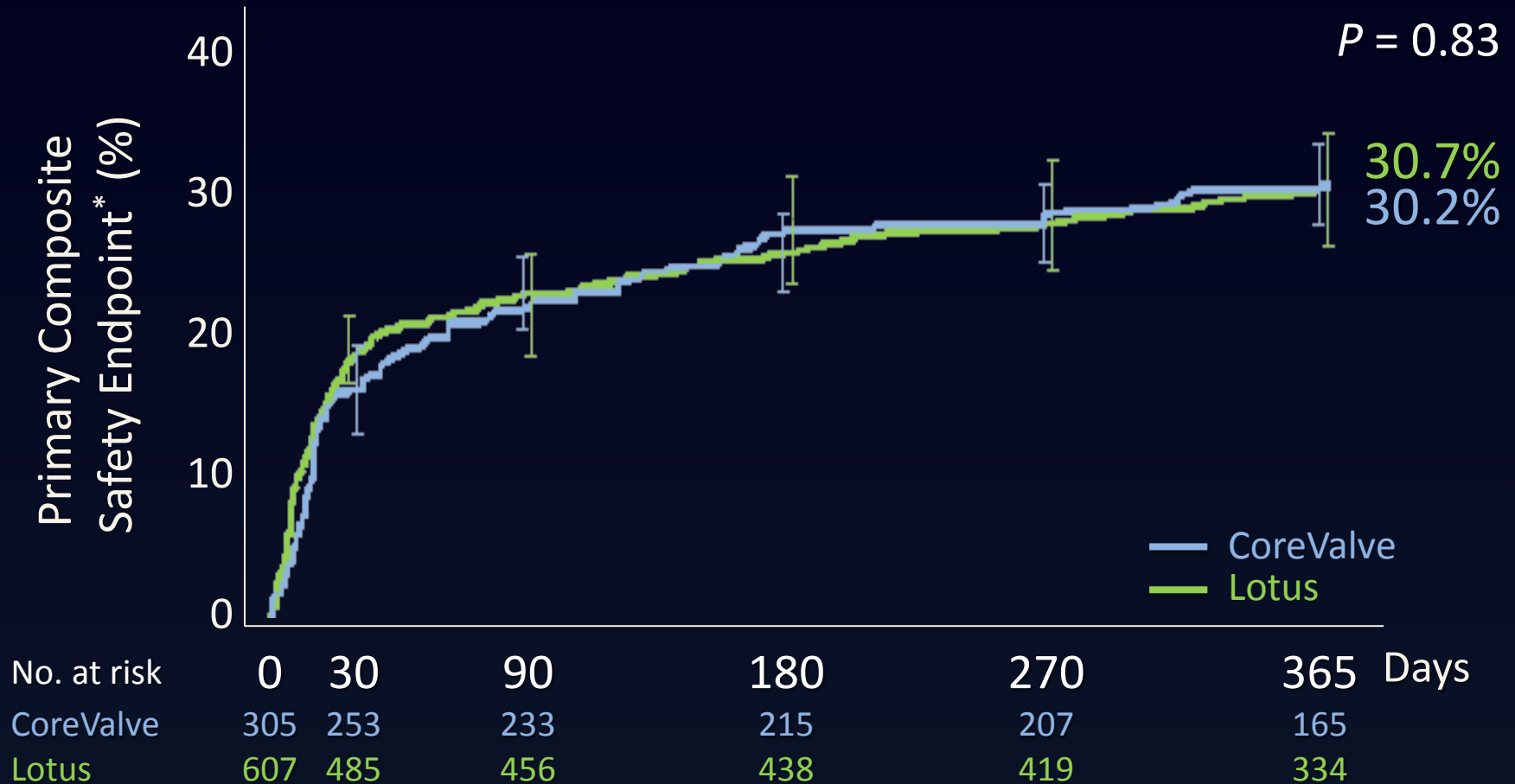


➔ **Non-inferiority criteria met for primary safety endpoint**

<sup>‡</sup> Primary analysis set - enrolled patients implanted with the assigned valve  
<sup>†</sup> Upper 1-sided CI and P value are derived from the Farrington-Manning test

# Primary Composite Safety Endpoint

## 1 Year – Intent-to-Treat



\*All-cause mortality, stroke, life-threatening/major bleed, stage 2/3 AKI, major vascular complications

ITT; KM Event Rate  $\pm$  1.5 SE; log-rank  $P$  value

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# Outcomes – 30 Days

## Intent-to-Treat



		CoreValve (N=305)	Lotus (N=607)	P Value
Primary Composite Safety Endpoint	All-cause mortality, %	2.3 (7)	2.5 (15)	0.86
	Stroke, %	4.3 (13)	4.8 (29)	0.72
	Disabling, %	3.3 (10)	2.0 (12)	0.23
	Life threatening bleeding, %	5.0 (15)	8.0 (48)	0.09
	Major bleeding, %	5.9 (18)	4.8 (29)	0.48
	Major vascular complications, %	5.3 (16)	7.0 (42)	0.32
	AKI (Stage 2/3 ≤7d), %	3.6 (11)	2.5 (15)	0.34
	New pacemaker, %	15.8 (48)	29.1 (175)	<0.001
	With no prior pacemaker, %	19.6 (48)	35.5 (175)	<0.001
	TAV-in-TAV deployment*, %	3.0 (9)	0.0 (0)	<0.001
	Aortic valve malpositioning*, %	2.6 (8)	0.0 (0)	<0.001

\*Procedural; includes valve migration, valve embolization & ectopic valve deployment to discharge/7 days

Values are % (n); binary event rates

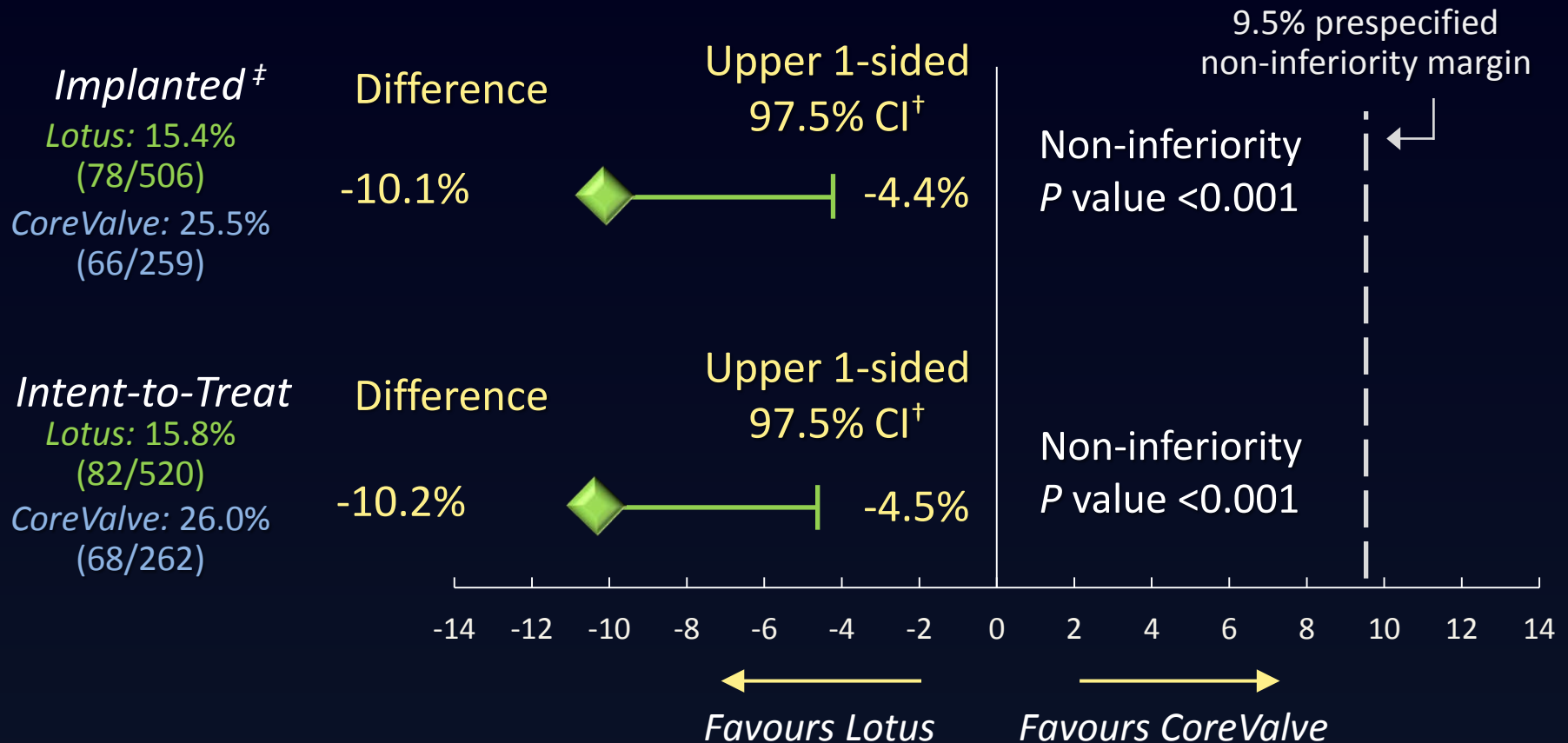
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# Primary Effectiveness—Non-inferiority

*Death, Disabling Stroke,  $\geq$  Moderate PVL at 1 Year*



➔ *Non-inferiority criteria met for primary effectiveness endpoint*

<sup>‡</sup> Primary analysis set - enrolled patients implanted with the assigned valve

<sup>†</sup> Upper 1-sided CI and P value are derived from the Farrington-Manning test  
Moderate or greater PVL is based on core lab assessment

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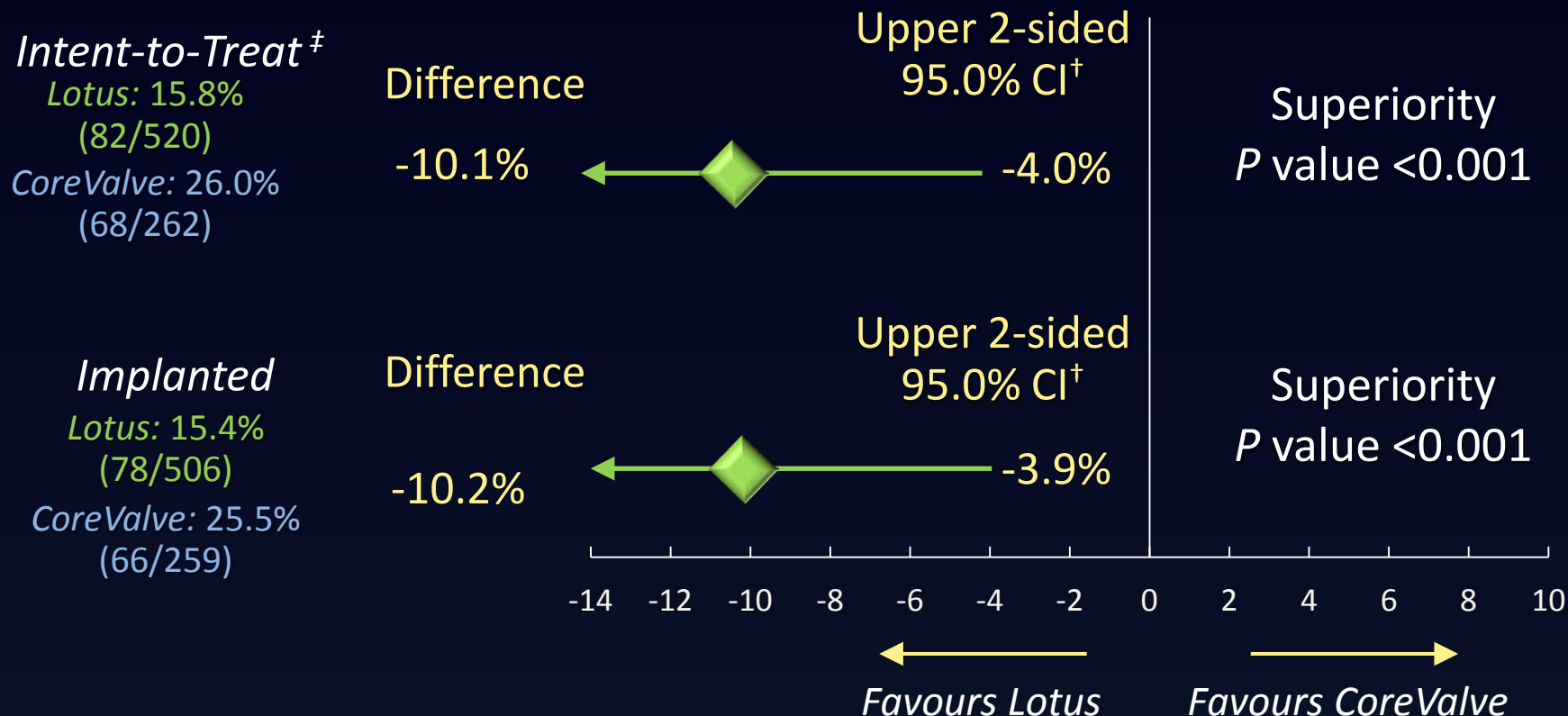
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# Primary Effectiveness – Superiority



*Death, Disabling Stroke,  $\geq$  Moderate PVL at 1 Year*



→ *Superiority achieved for primary effectiveness endpoint*

<sup>‡</sup> Primary analysis set

<sup>†</sup> Superiority  $P$  value and 95% CI are derived from the Chi-square test

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# Primary Effectiveness Endpoint

## *Components at 1 Year – Intent-to-Treat*



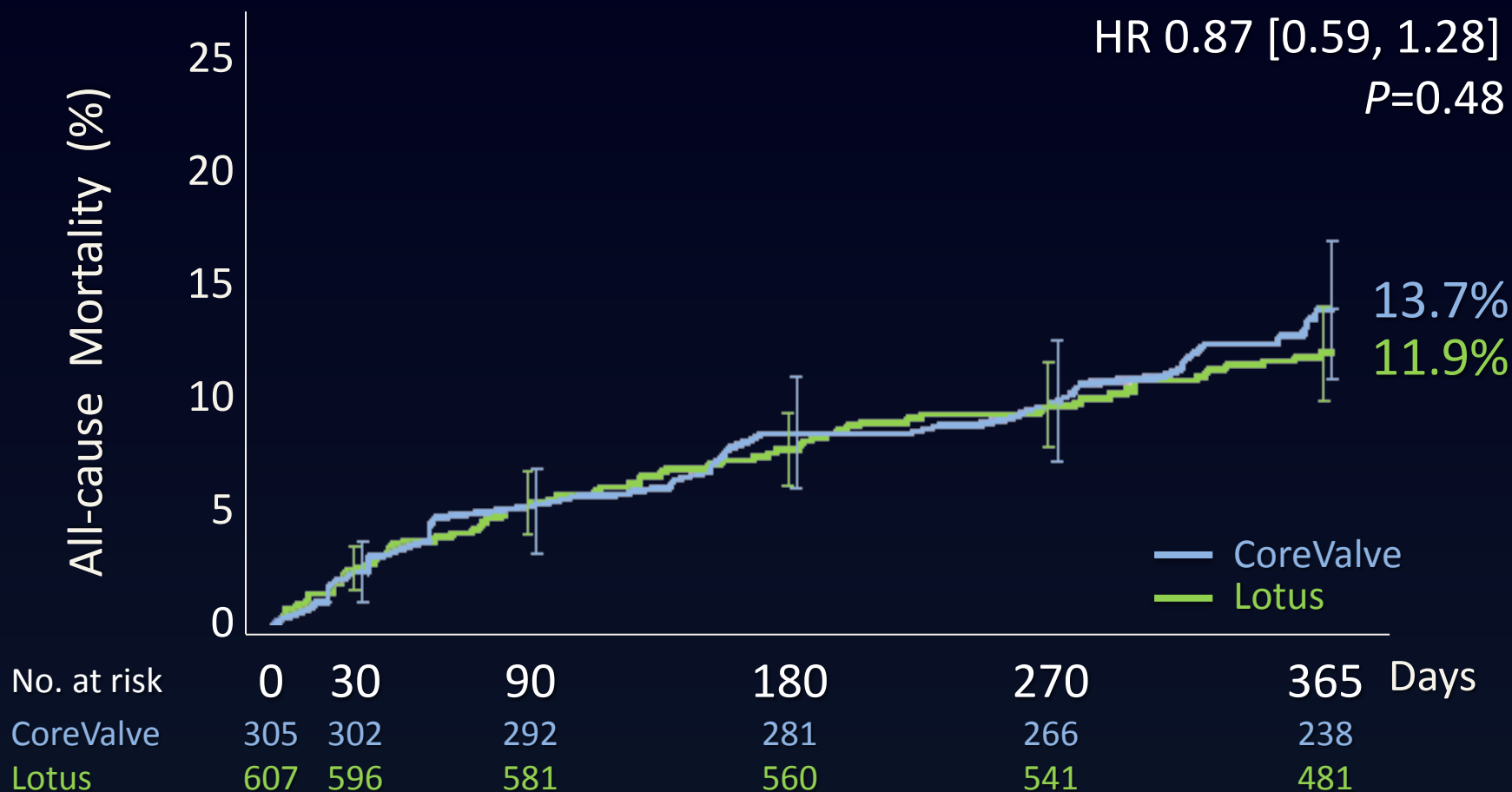
	CoreValve (N=305)	Lotus (N=607)	P Value
All-cause mortality*	13.5% (40/297)	11.9% (70/587)	0.51
Cardiac death	9.8% (29/297)	7.7% (45/587)	0.29
Stroke <sup>†</sup>	9.4% (28/297)	7.0% (41/587)	0.20
Disabling*	7.1% (21/297)	3.6% (21/587)	0.02
Moderate or greater PVL*	6.9% (15/216)	0.9% (4/452)	<0.001

\* Component of the primary effectiveness endpoint

<sup>†</sup> All patients had a neurological examination conducted by a neurology professional at baseline, discharge, 1 year, and after any suspected stroke. All patients also had NIHSS at discharge and 1 year and mRS at baseline and all f/u time points.

# All-cause Mortality

## 1 Year – Intent-to-Treat



ITT; KM Event Rate  $\pm$  1.5 SE; log-rank P value

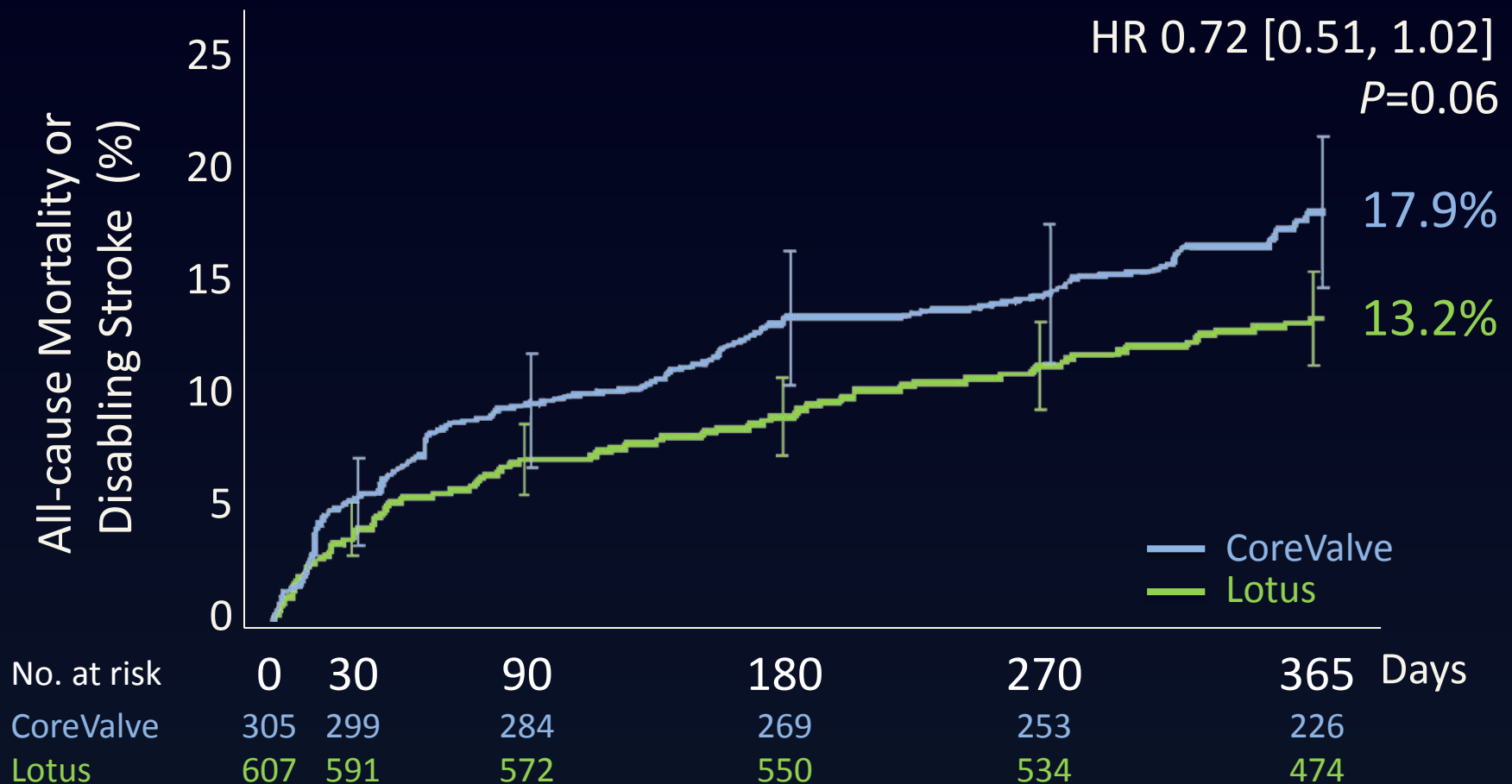
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# All-Cause Mortality/Disabling Stroke

1 Year – Intent-to-Treat



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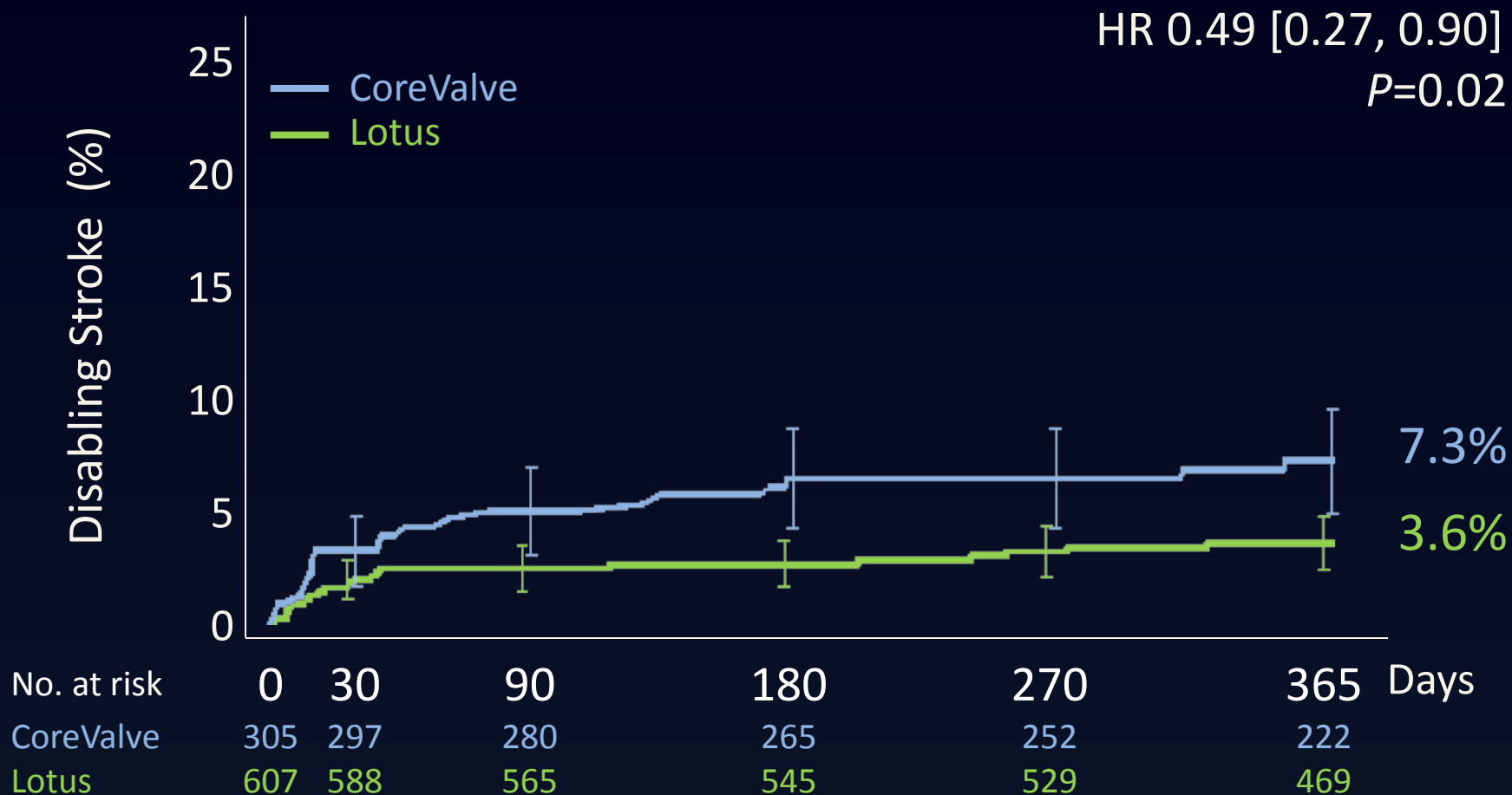
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# Disabling Stroke

## 1 Year – Intent-to-Treat



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# Additional VARC Events at 1 Year

## *Intent-to-Treat*



	CoreValve (N=305)	Lotus (N=607)	P Value
Myocardial infarction, %	4.4 (13)	3.2 (19)	0.39
Life threatening bleeding, %	9.8 (29)	9.9 (58)	0.96
Major bleeding, %	8.4 (25)	8.3 (49)	0.97
New onset atrial fibrillation, %	4.7 (14)	6.6 (39)	0.25
Hospitalisation*, %	13.8 (41)	11.2 (66)	0.27
Endocarditis, %	0.0 (0)	0.7 (4)	0.31
Valve thrombosis, %	0.0 (0)	1.5 (9)	0.03
Repeat procedure†, %	2.0 (6)	0.2 (1)	0.007

\* Hospitalisation for valve-related symptoms or worsening congestive heart failure (NYHA class III or IV)

† Repeat procedure for valve-related dysfunction

Values are % (n); binary event rates

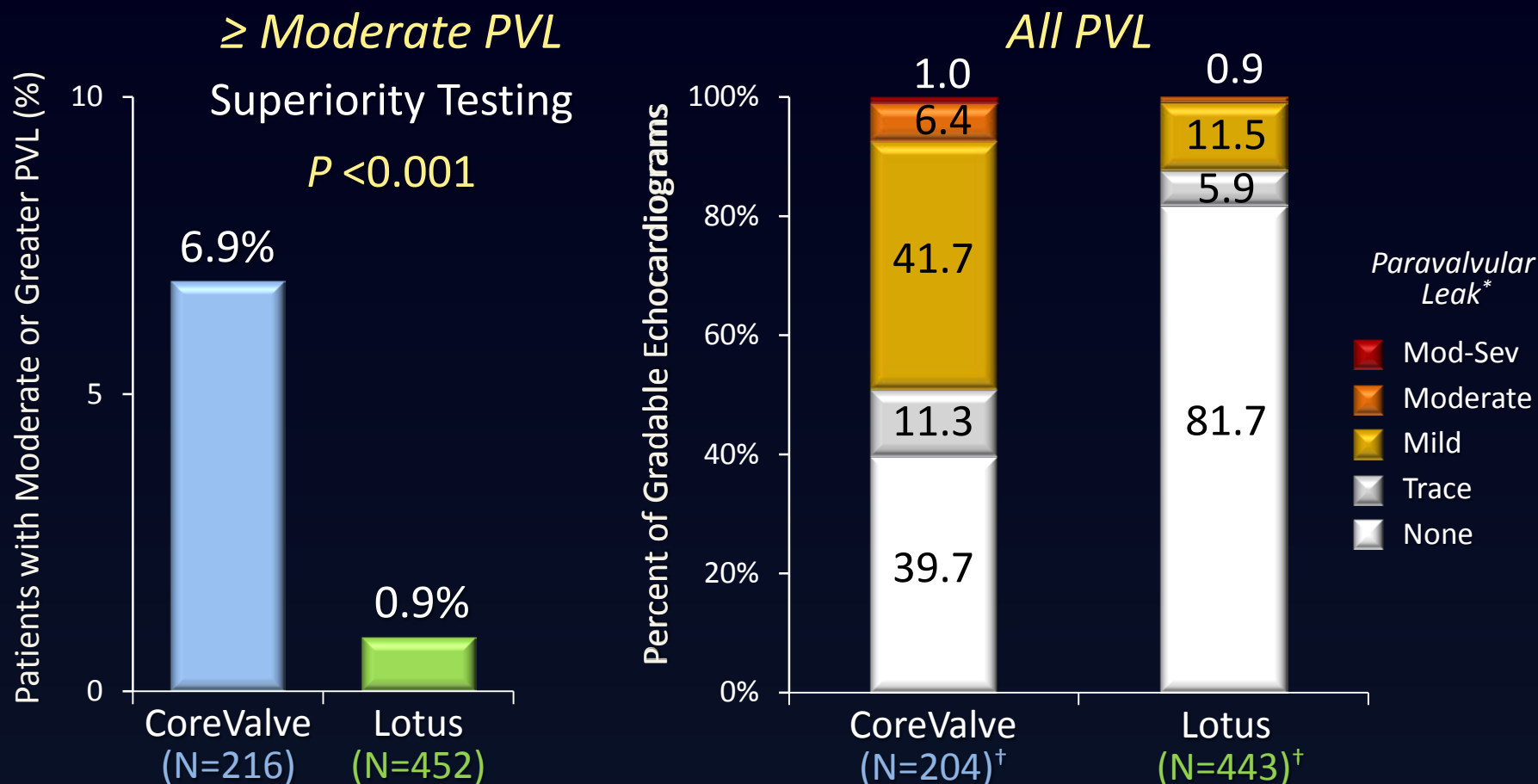
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# Paravalvular Leak at 1 Year

## Core Lab Assessment – Intent-to-Treat



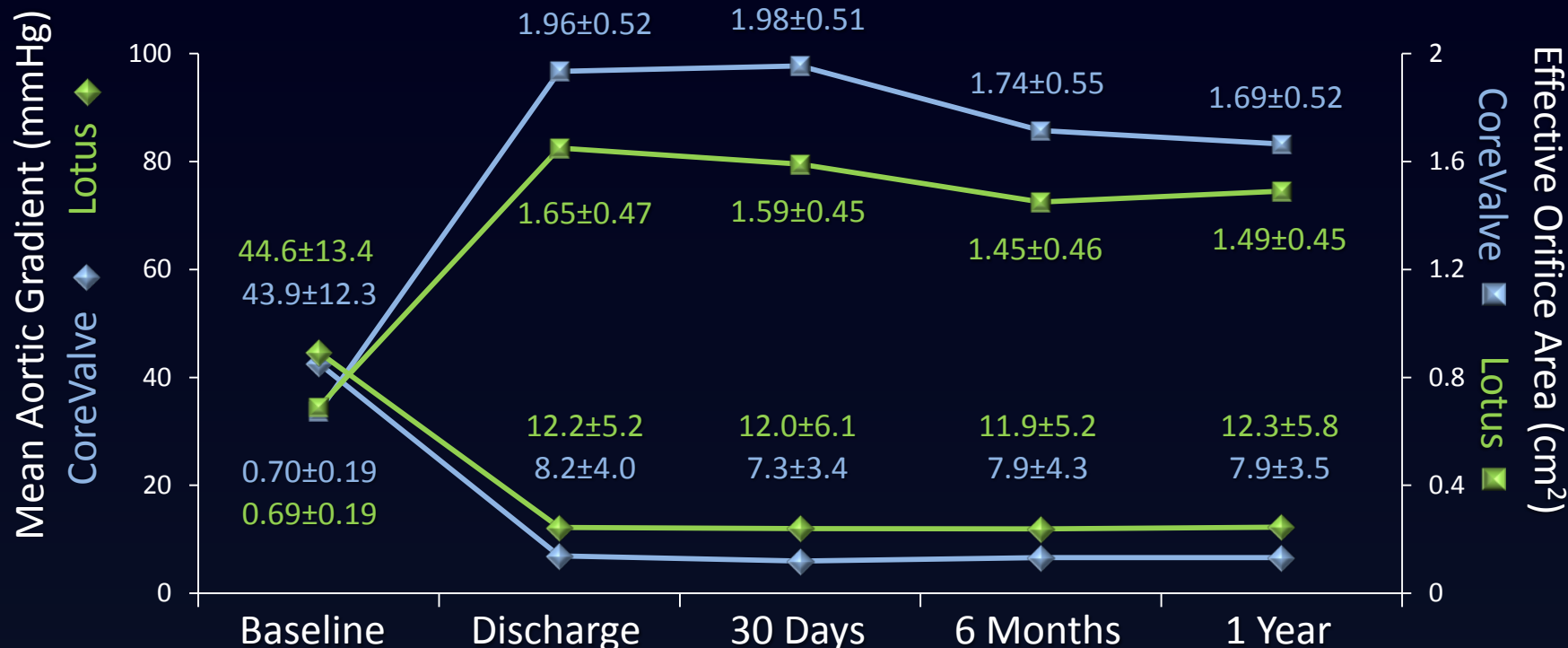
→ **Superiority achieved for secondary endpoint**

\* There were no cases of severe PVL (grading per Pibarot, et al., JACC Cardiovasc Imaging 2015;8:340)

† For superiority testing, echocardiograms with less than moderate total aortic regurgitation and visible PVL that was not gradable were included in the group with less than moderate PVL. For reporting of all PVL, only echocardiograms with gradable PVL were included.

# Haemodynamics

## Core Lab Data



Mean Aortic Gradient (mmHg)	294	281	261	233	219	CoreValve (N)
	575	564	543	484	461	Lotus (N)
Effective Orifice Area (cm²)	280	247	238	209	199	CoreValve (N)
	541	510	505	439	419	Lotus (N)

Lotus vs CoreValve:  $P < 0.001$  at discharge and later time points

Values are mean±SD; intent-to-treat analysis set

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# Summary



*In this large global randomised trial comparing Lotus to CoreValve the Lotus Valve demonstrated:*

- **Noninferiority for the 30-day primary safety endpoint<sup>†</sup>**
  - <sup>†</sup> All-cause mortality, stroke, life-threatening/major bleeding, stage 2/3 AKI and major vascular complications
- **Superiority for the 1-year primary effectiveness endpoint<sup>‡</sup>**
  - <sup>‡</sup> All-cause mortality, disabling stroke and moderate or greater PVL
- **Less moderate or greater paravalvular leak**
- **Fewer disabling strokes**
- **Fewer repeat procedures**
- **More valve thrombosis**
- **More new pacemaker implantations**
- **Smaller valve areas and higher gradients**
- **Less TAV-in-TAV deployment and less valve malpositioning**