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Valdecoxib:

Cardiovascular Safety, Skin Reactions

&

Benefit-Risk Assessment

Valdecoxib - Background

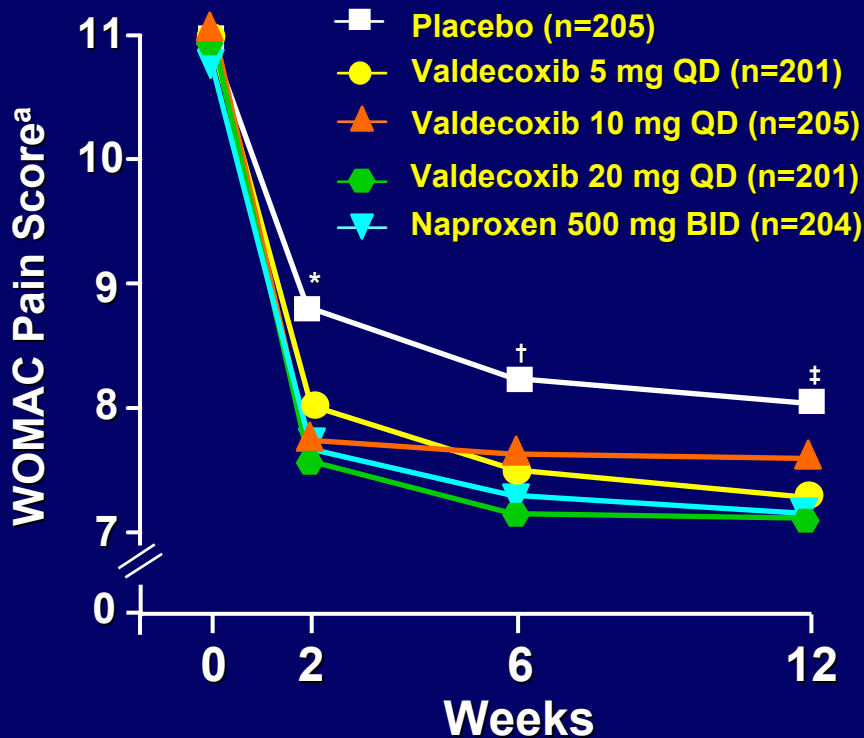
- Valdecoxib approved for OA and RA in US Nov 2001 (first approval) & in Canada in Dec 2002
- Approved dose = 10-20 mg once daily
- >15,000 individuals studied in the registration program = celecoxib
- Valdecoxib approved in 68 countries; Since April 2005, sales have been suspended in 48 countries
 - Due to concerns regarding severe cutaneous adverse reactions (SCAR)

Benefit-Risk of Valdecoxib - Conclusions

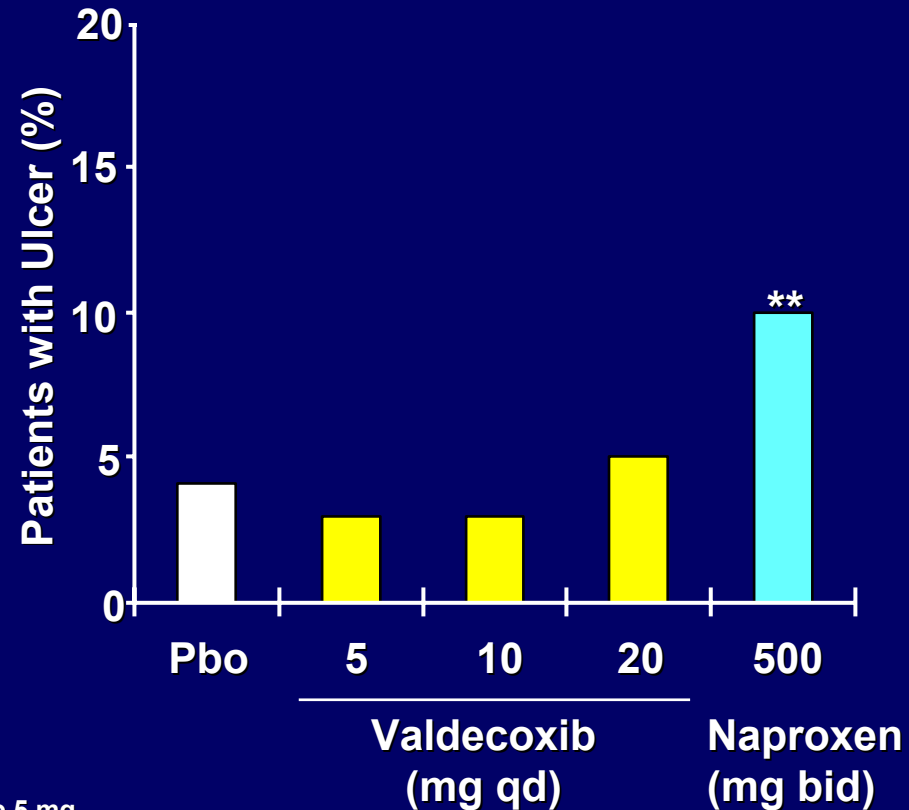
- Valdecoxib remains a viable treatment alternative for arthritis patients
 - Efficacy similar to NSAIDs
 - GI safety benefit superior to NSAIDs
 - CV safety profile comparable to NSAIDs
 - Higher rate of severe cutaneous adverse reactions compared to other COX-2 selective inhibitors

Clinical Effects of Valdecoxib in OA

Efficacy



Upper GI Safety



a. Scale = 0 (best) to 20 (worst)

* Placebo significantly different from all treatments; $p < 0.05$

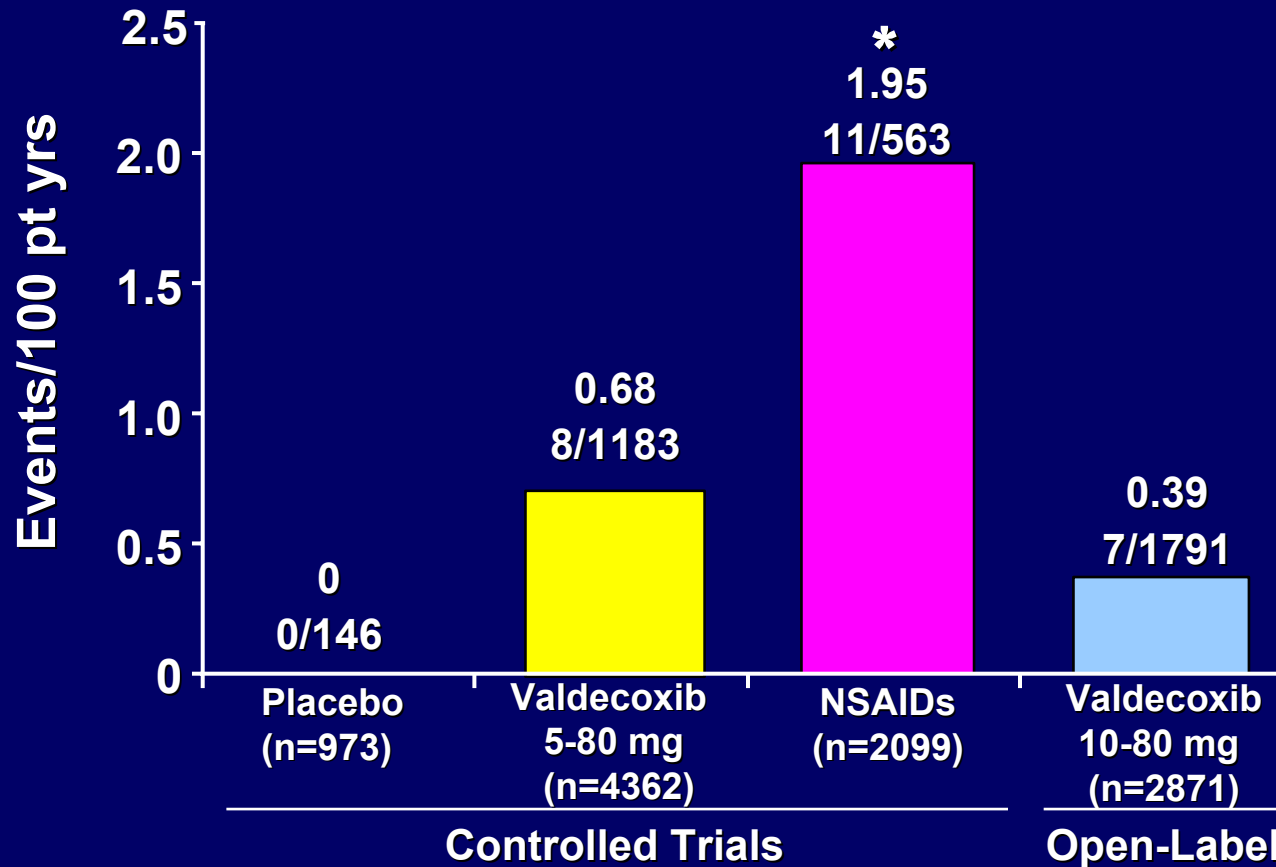
† Placebo significantly different from all treatments except valdecoxib 5 mg and valdecoxib 10 mg; $p < 0.05$

‡ Placebo significantly different from valdecoxib 20 mg and naproxen; $p < 0.05$

** Significantly different from placebo, valdecoxib 5 mg and 10 mg; $p < 0.05$

Incidence of Ulcer Complications

Pre-defined analysis of 8 randomized controlled trials (12-26 wks)
& 3 open label studies up to 1 yr



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Goldstein et al. Alimentary Pharmacol Ther 2004;20:527-538

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CV Safety of Valdecoxib

- Randomized controlled trials in arthritis
- Short-term acute pain studies with parecoxib followed by valdecoxib

Cardiovascular Safety of Valdecoxib: Meta-analysis

- 19 randomized controlled trials and a total of 12,254 treated patients (>84% OA/RA)
 - 7,061 valdecoxib-treated patients
 - 2,235 placebo-treated patients
 - 2,958 patients treated with active comparators
- Study duration: 2 wks – 12 months
 - 11 studies \geq 3 month duration
- Valdecoxib doses; 1 – 80 mg daily

Valdecoxib exposure

\geq 3 months – 2714 (50%) of patients

\geq 6 months – 1176 (22%) of patients

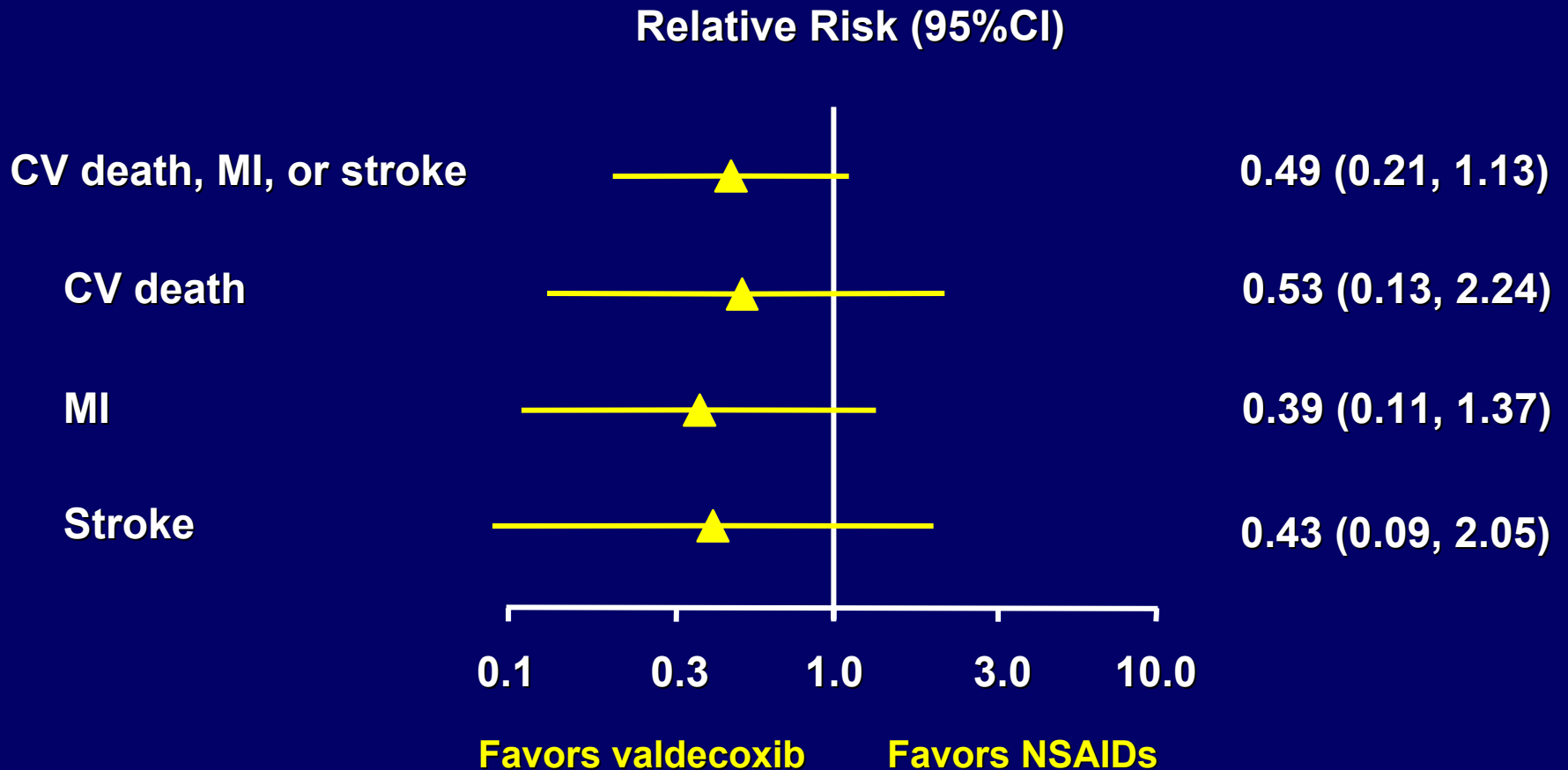
\geq 1 yr – 211 (4%) of patients

CV Death, MI and Stroke: Valdecoxib vs NSAIDs

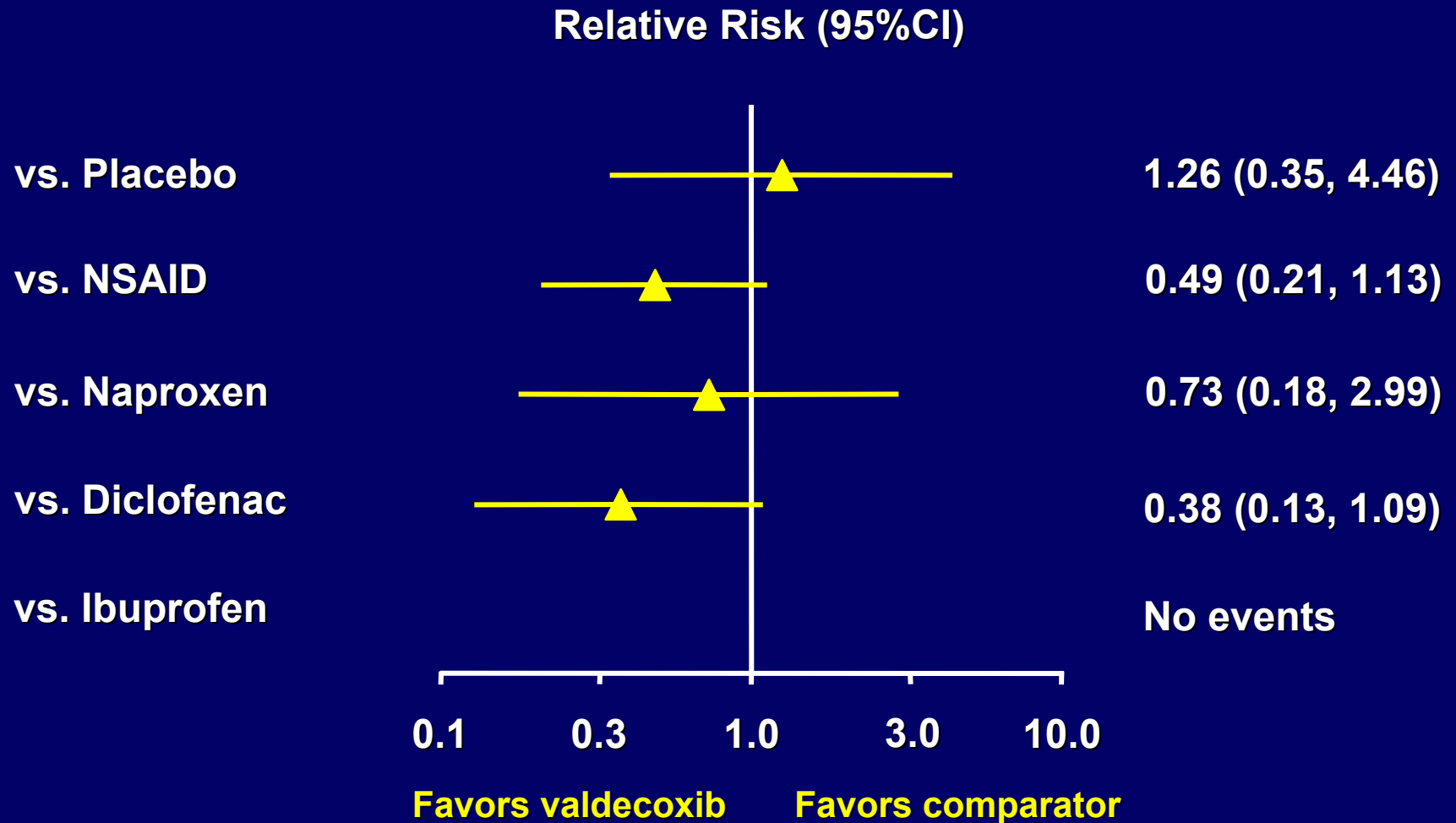
	Valdecoxib ≥ 10 mg N=4591	NSAIDs N=2323
Patient-years	1346	662
Mean exposure/patient (mos)	3.5	3.4
CV death, MI, stroke	11 (0.8)	10 (1.5)
CV death	3 (0.2)	3 (0.5)
MI	5 (0.4)	5 (0.8)
Stroke	3 (0.2)	3 (0.5)

n (events per 100 patient-years)

CV Death, MI and Stroke: Valdecoxib vs NSAIDs



CV Death, MI and Stroke: Valdecoxib vs Pbo, NSAIDs Combined & Individually



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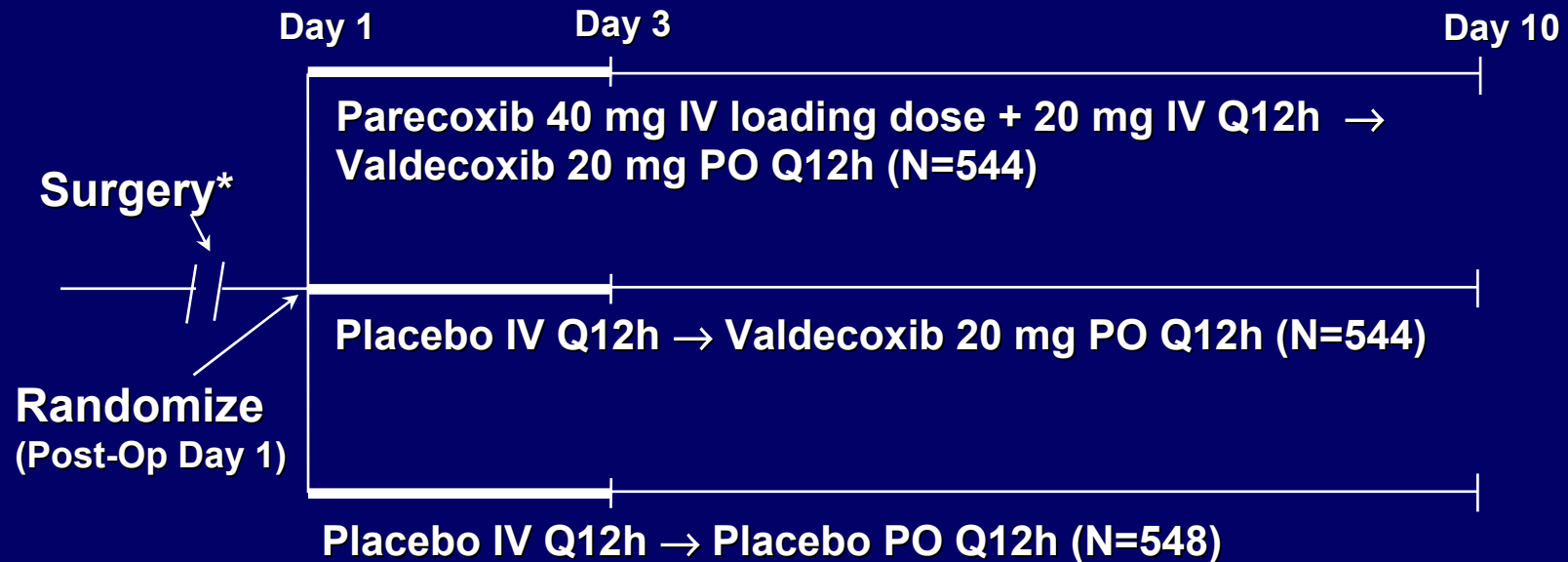
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CV Safety of Valdecoxib

- Randomized controlled trials in arthritis
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 - Initial CABG study identified CV safety signal for parecoxib followed by valdecoxib
 - Two larger placebo-controlled studies further evaluated parecoxib + valdecoxib safety in CABG and General Surgery patients
 - Primary endpoints: Pre-specified adjudicated adverse events
 - CV thromboembolic events included myocardial, cerebrovascular, peripheral vascular and pulmonary embolism events

Study Design

CABG Surgery Study 071



Both treatment groups receive: PRN Supplemental Analgesia (PCA morphine → oral APAP+codeine)

All patients received aspirin (75-325 mg daily)

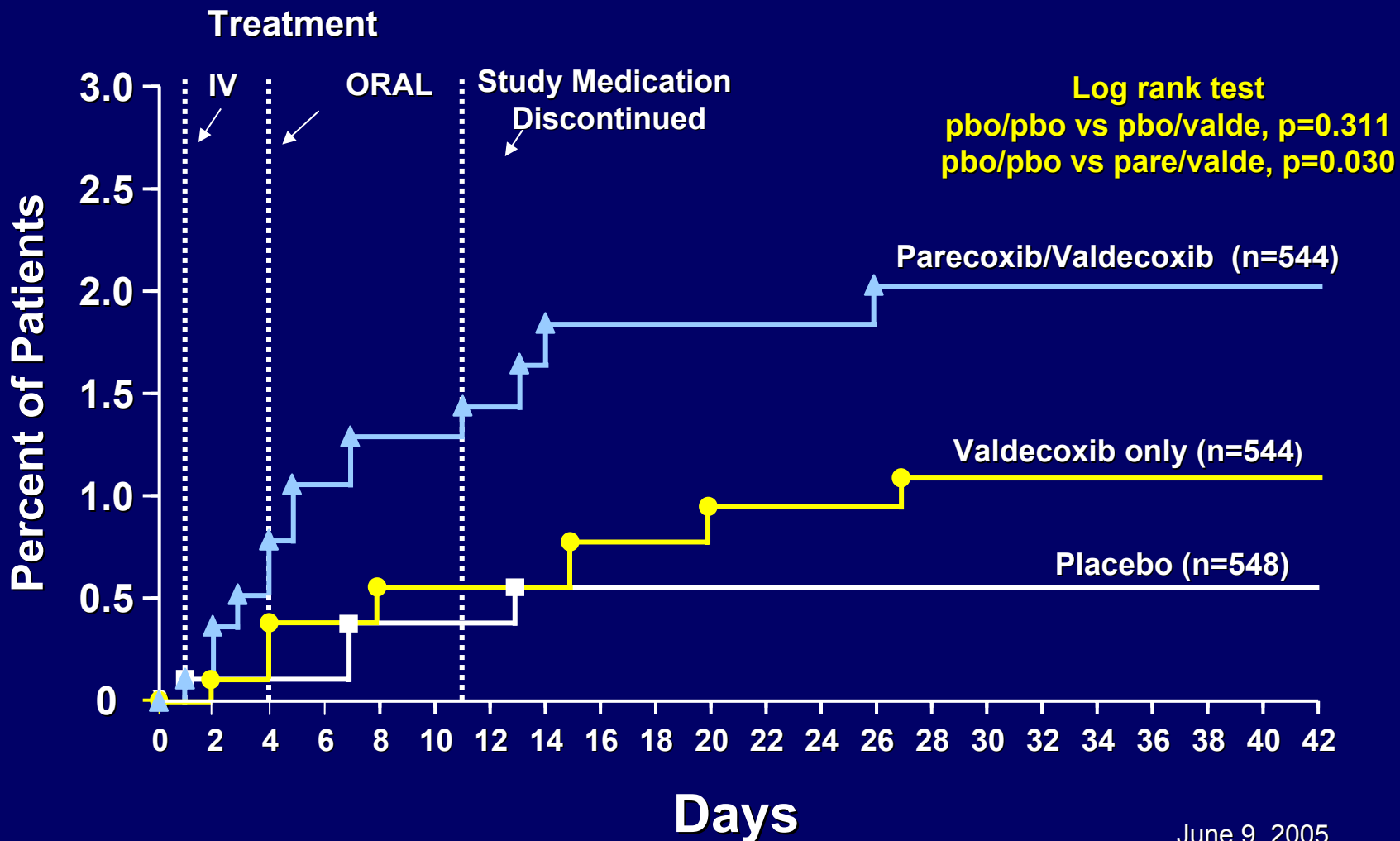
*all cases were cardiopulmonary bypass

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Adjudicated Thromboembolic CV Events

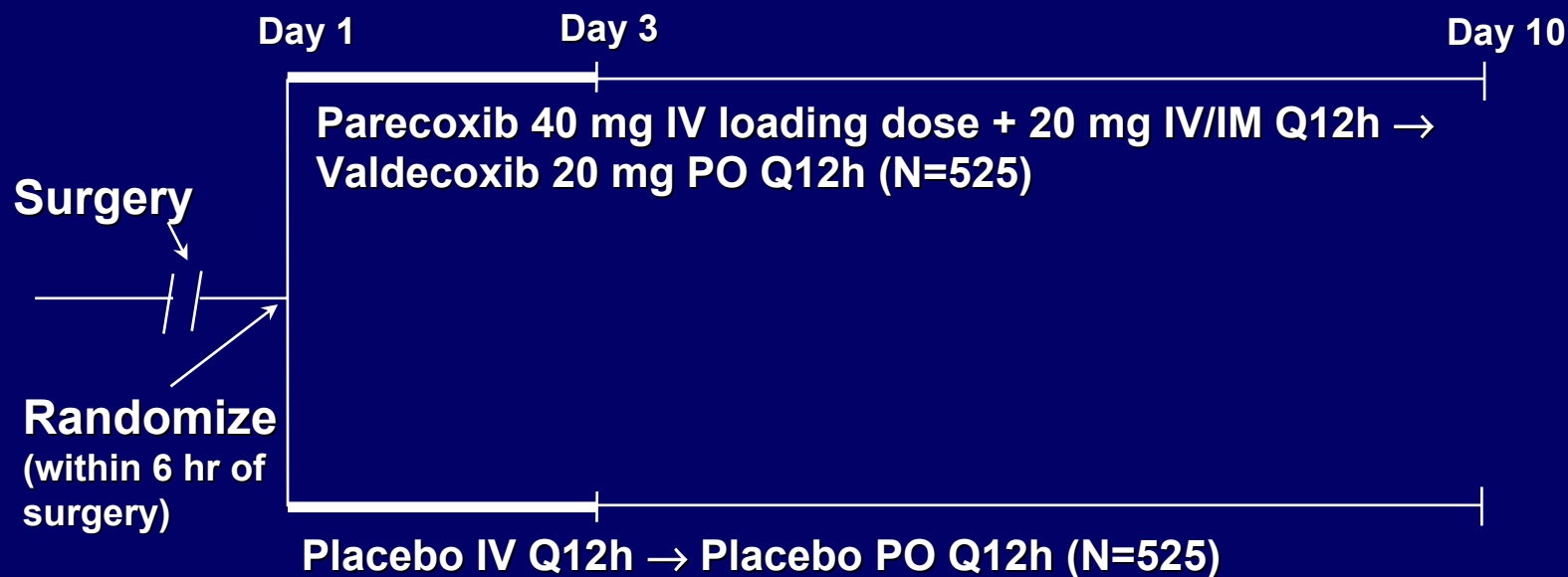
CABG Surgery Study 071

Time to Event Analysis



Study Design

General Surgery Study 069

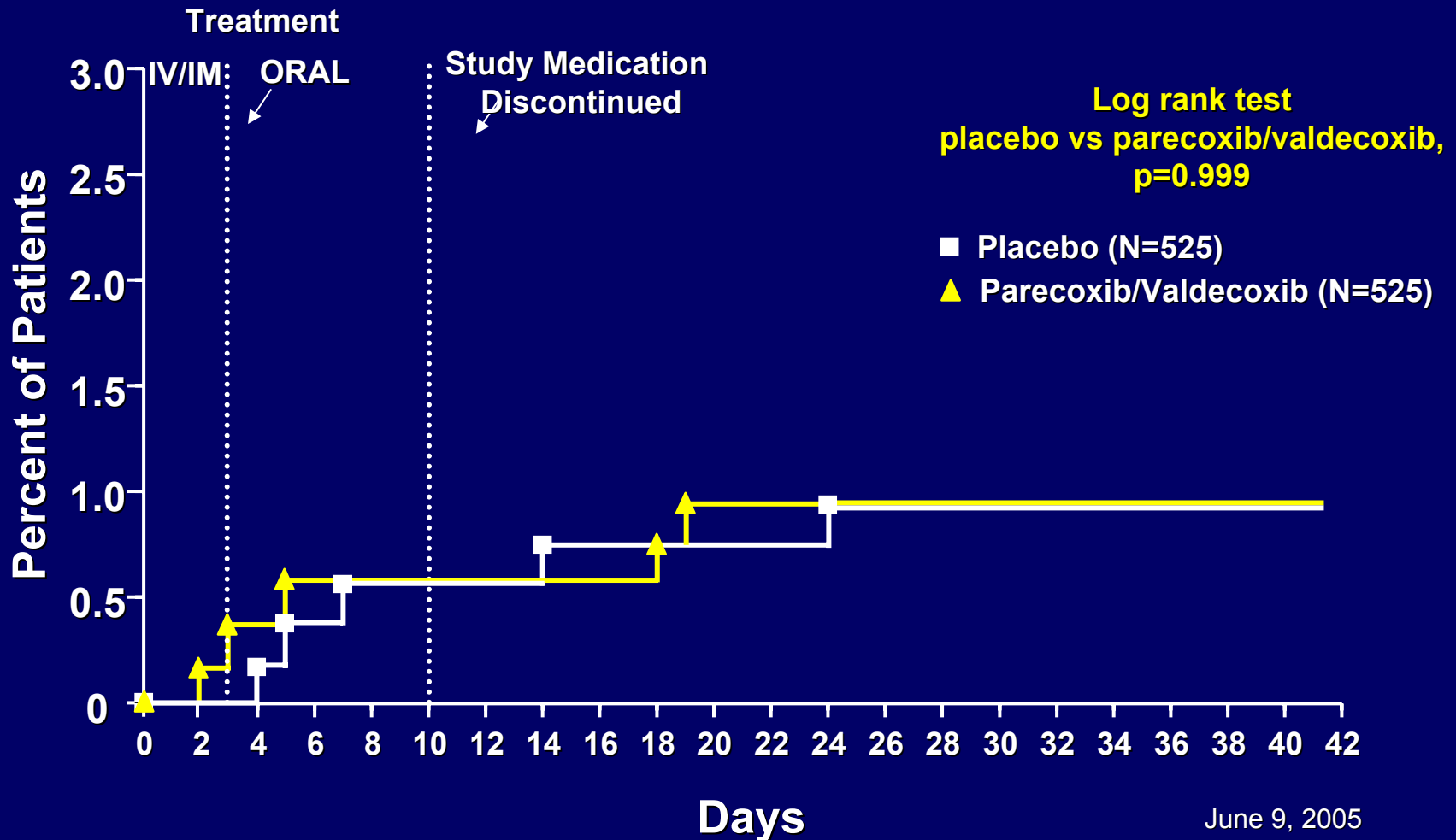


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Valdecoxib CV Safety Conclusions

- Valdecoxib CV safety database is small relative to celecoxib; large relative to NSAIDs
- CV safety profile of valdecoxib is similar to NSAIDs for up to 6 months
- CV signal in high risk CABG surgery setting does not extrapolate to the general surgery or arthritis populations
- Limited data to evaluate the effects of NSAIDs in CABG surgery setting

Spontaneous SCAR Reports with Valdecoxib

- SCAR Classification
 - Erythema Multiforme
 - Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
 - Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis
 - + (Exfoliative Dermatitis)
- As of 15 March 2005
 - estimated 12.9 million patients exposed
 - 227 total reports of SCAR
 - 188 reports of SCAR from HCP
 - 10 SCAR-related deaths

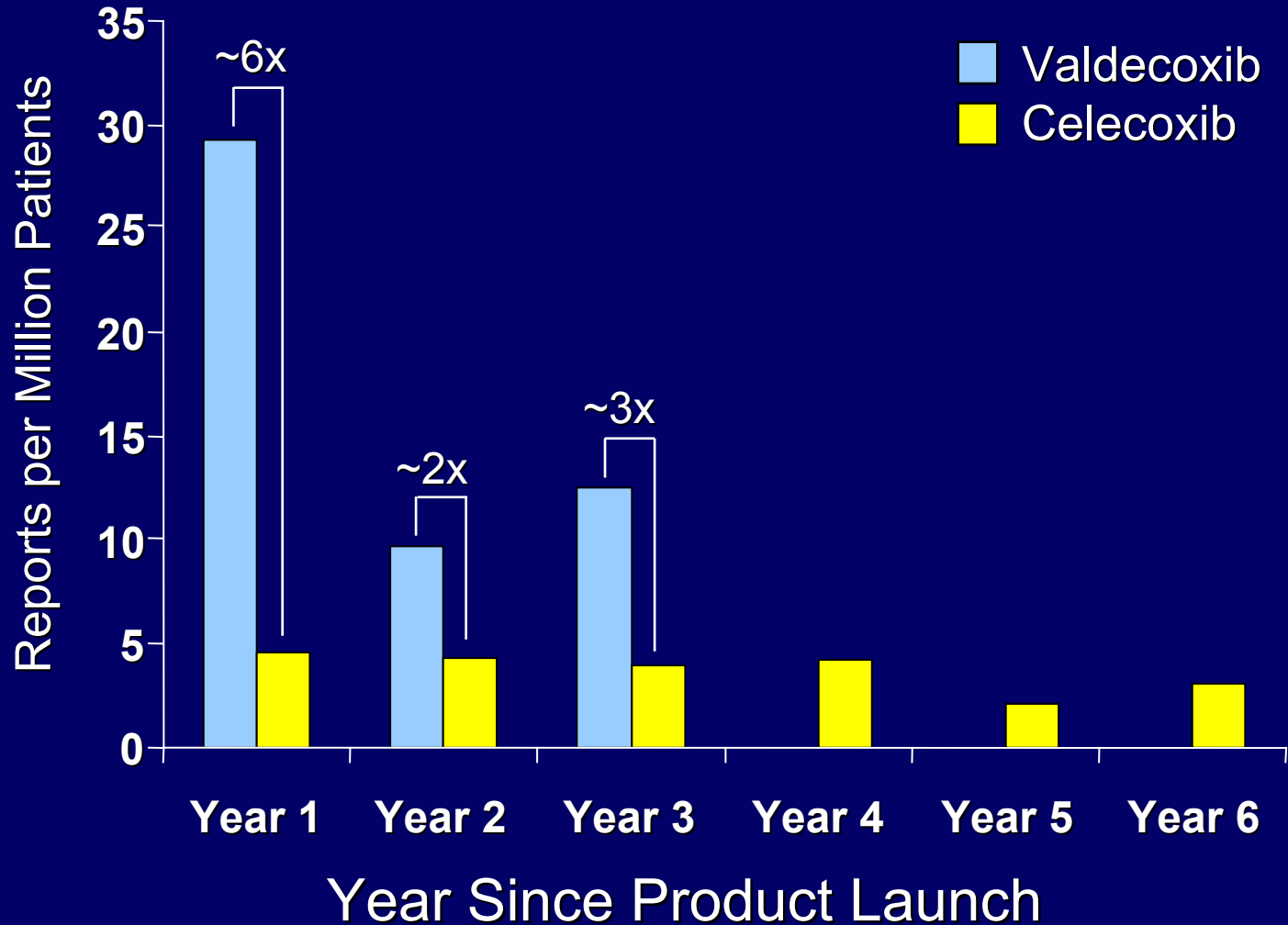
Valdecoxib: SCAR Reports

Safety Database Analysis

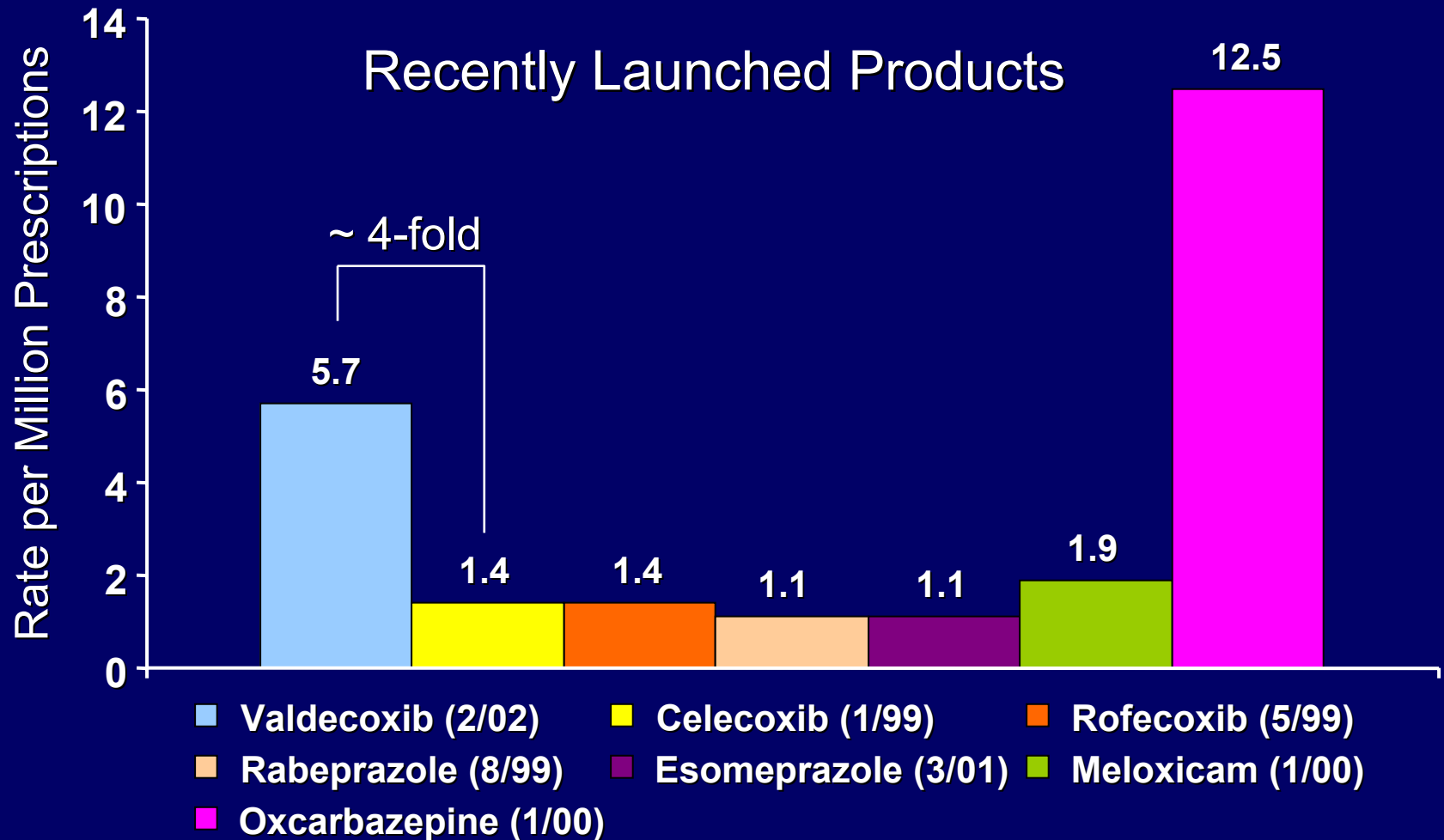
- Most reports occur early during the course of therapy
 - ~90% \leq 1 month
 - 8 of 10 deaths within 20 days of starting treatment; 2 onset unknown
- 11% of reports in sulfonamide allergic patients
- 13% of reports in patients with history of drug allergy other than sulfonamide
- 11% of reports recorded with another suspect drug (anti-convulsant, MTX, NSAID)

HCP-Reported SCAR

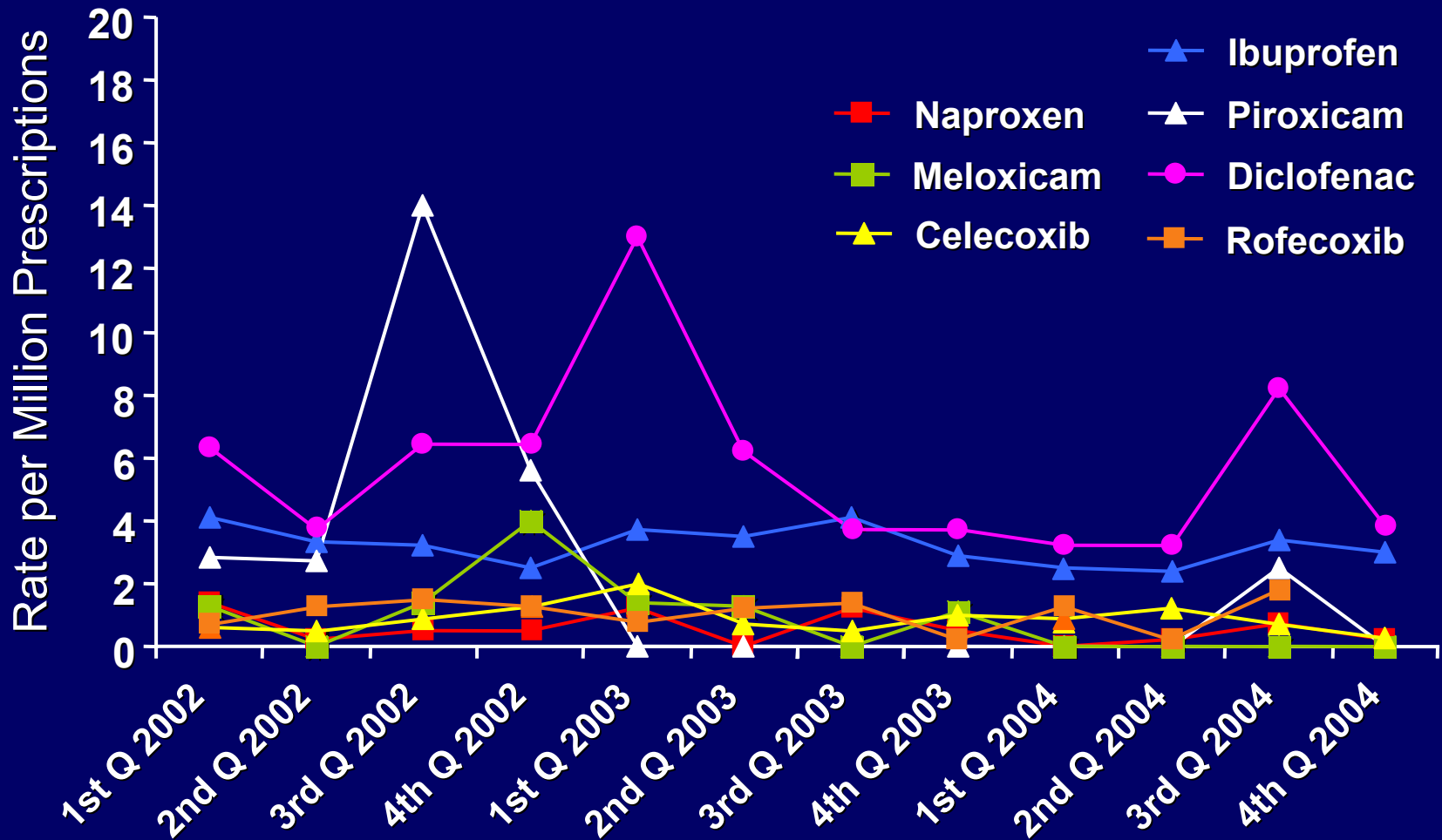
Annual Reporting Rates



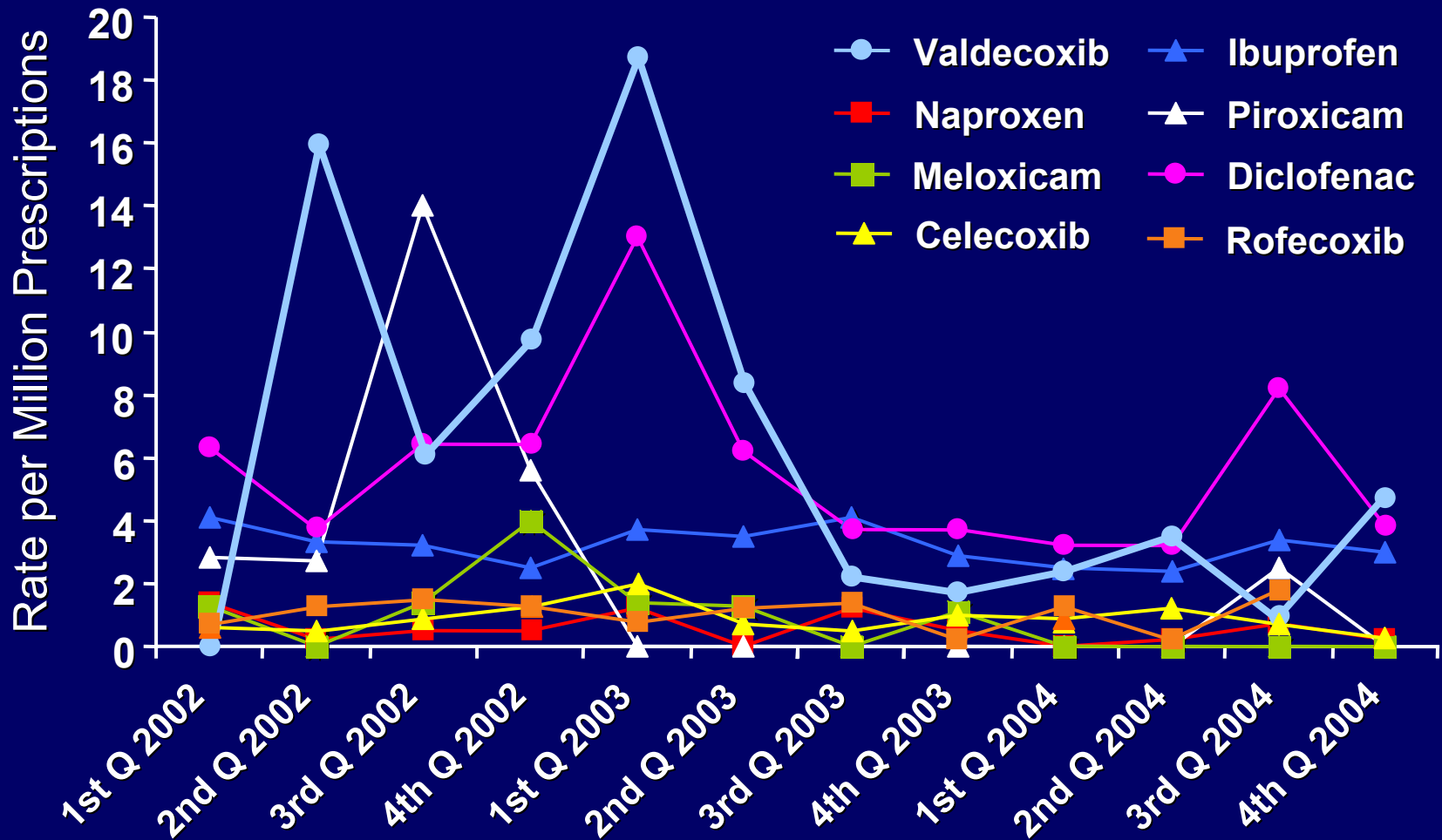
SCAR Reporting Rates from FDA AERS: Cumulative Reporting Rates Since Product Launch



SCAR Reporting Rates from FDA AERS: Reporting Rates by Quarter



SCAR Reporting Rates from FDA AERS: Reporting Rates by Quarter – Valdecoxib



Conclusions

- The cumulative SCAR reporting rate with valdecoxib is higher than other COX-2 selective inhibitors;
 - only marginally worse than some other NSAIDs
 - dropped substantially since Year 1
 - excess attributable risk = 2 –10 per million

Future Action

- Pfizer is committed to continuing discussions with Health Canada and regulators worldwide to evaluate ways to make valdecoxib available to patients who really need it.