

Impact of Vutrisiran on Outpatient Worsening Heart Failure in Patients with Transthyretin Amyloidosis with Cardiomyopathy in the HELIOS-B Trial

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Introduction

Transthyretin Amyloidosis with Cardiomyopathy (ATTR-CM)

- Results from accumulation of wild-type or variant TTR amyloid fibrils in the heart,^{1–5} causing worsening HF, increased hospitalizations, and reduced survival^{6–10}
- Intensification or initiation of oral diuretics, a common sign of disease progression and worsening HF in the outpatient setting,^{11–14} is common in patients with ATTR-CM and is associated with mortality^{15–17}

HELIOS-B Study

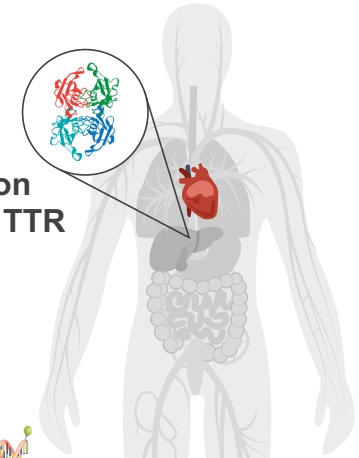
- Evaluated vutrisiran, a SC-administered (quarterly dosing) RNAi therapeutic, in patients with ATTR-CM in a Phase 3, randomized, placebo-controlled trial¹⁸

Objective

- Investigate the prognostic value of and the effect of vutrisiran on outpatient worsening HF, defined by oral diuretic initiation or intensification in ATTR-CM

Therapeutic Hypothesis: Vutrisiran Targets Both Variant and wt TTR

Hepatic production
of variant and wt TTR



With vutrisiran 

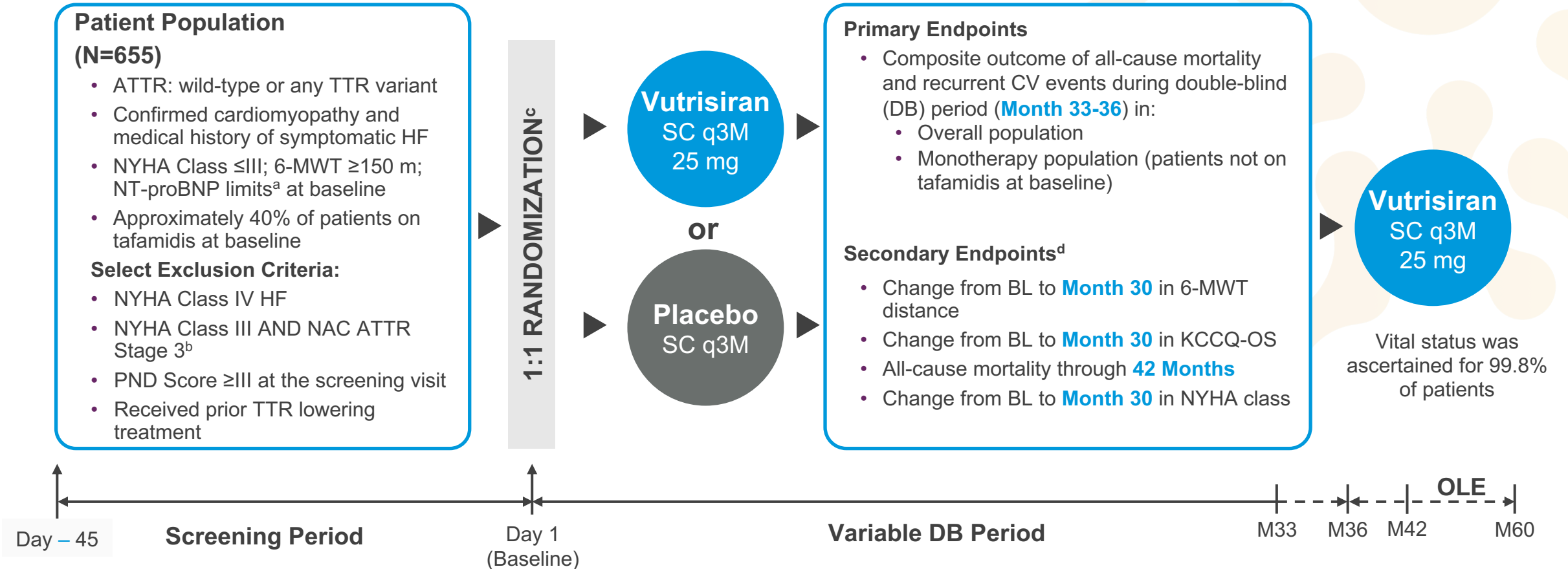
- Rapid knockdown of circulating TTR tetramers
- Prevents amyloid fibril deposition in multi-organ tissues
- Improves cardiac outcomes and reduced mortality and hospitalization

Abbreviations: ATTR-CM, transthyretin amyloidosis with cardiomyopathy; HF, heart failure; RNAi, RNA interference; SC, subcutaneous; TTR, transthyretin; wt, wild-type.

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HELIOS-B Study Design

A randomized, double-blind outcomes study to evaluate vutrisiran in patients with ATTR-CM



^aNT-proBNP levels of >300 pg/mL and <8500 pg/mL (or >600 pg/mL and <8500 pg/mL for patients with atrial fibrillation). ^bNAC ATTR stage 3 defined as NT-proBNP levels >3000 pg/mL and an eGFR of <45 mL/min/1.73 m² of body-surface area. ^cRandomization was stratified according to the use of tafamidis at baseline (yes versus no), ATTR disease type (hATTR or wtATTR), and NYHA class and age at baseline (NYHA Class I or II and age <75 years versus all others). ^dAssessed in the overall population and monotherapy population as separate endpoints. **Abbreviations:** 6-MWT, 6-minute walk test; ATTR, transthyretin amyloidosis; ATTR-CM, ATTR with cardiomyopathy; CV, cardiovascular; DB, double-blind; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; hATTR, hereditary ATTR; HF, heart failure; M, Month; KCCQ-OS, Kansas City Cardiomyopathy Questionnaire – Overall Summary; NAC, National Amyloidosis Centre; NT-proBNP, N-terminal prohormone of B-type natriuretic peptide; NYHA, New York Heart Association; OLE, open-label extension; PND, polyneuropathy disability; q3M, every 3 months; SC, subcutaneous; TTR, transthyretin; wtATTR, wild-type ATTR. **Reference:** Clinicaltrials.gov identifier: NCT04153149.

Contemporary Population with Baseline Characteristics Balanced across Arms



Parameter	Overall Population	
	Placebo (N=328)	Vutrisiran (N=326)
Age (years), median (range)	76 (46, 85)	77 (45, 85)
Male sex, n (%)	306 (93.3)	299 (91.7)
hATTR amyloidosis, n (%)	39 (11.9)	37 (11.3)
NYHA class, n (%)	I	35 (10.7)
	II	258 (78.7)
	III	35 (10.7)
ATTR disease stage, n (%)	1	229 (69.8)
	2	87 (26.5)
	3	12 (3.7)
Baseline 6-MWT, meters, mean (SD)	377 (96)	372 (104)
Baseline KCCQ-OS, points, mean (SD)	72.26 (19.92)	72.96 (19.44)
Baseline NT-proBNP, ng/L, median (IQR)	1801 (1042, 3082)	2021 (1138, 3312)
Baseline Troponin I, ng/L, median (IQR)	65.2 (41.1, 105.5)	71.9 (44.9, 115.9)

Substantial use of effective background medications

- **Tafamidis**
 - Baseline ~40% in both treatment arms
 - Drop-in on monotherapy population during DB period ~21% and ~22% for placebo and vutrisiran, respectively
- **SGLT2 inhibitors**
 - Baseline ~3% in both treatment arms
 - Drop-in during DB period ~35% and ~31% for placebo and vutrisiran, respectively

Substantial use of diuretics

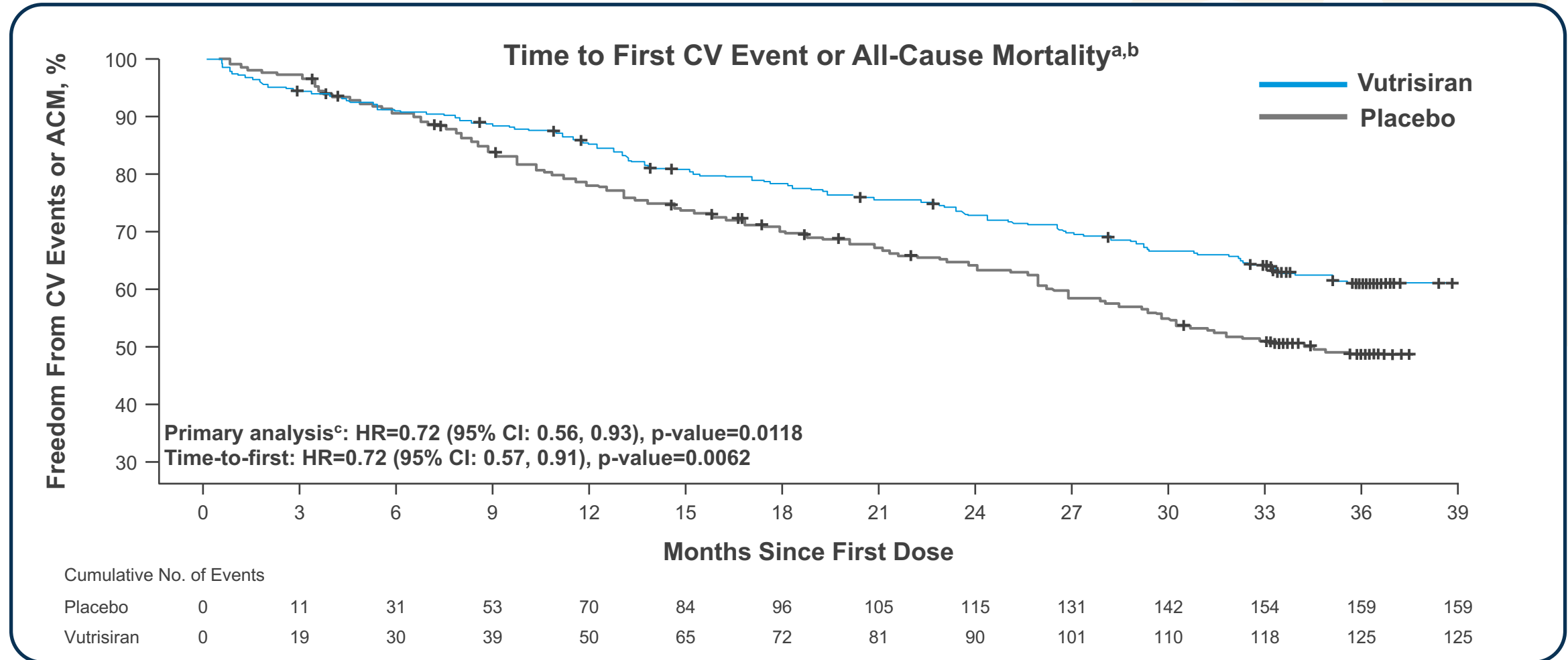
- Baseline ~80% in both treatment arms
- Outpatient initiation or intensification of diuretics after first dose was ~56% and ~48% for placebo and vutrisiran, respectively

Patients were not randomized to baseline tafamidis; patients on baseline tafamidis were generally healthier based on NYHA class, NT-proBNP, 6-MWT, and KCCQ-OS score

Primary Endpoint: Statistically Significant Reduction in the Composite of All-Cause Mortality and Recurrent CV Events



Achieved 28% reduction in the overall population



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^aBased on inverse probability of treatment weighting-adjusted Kaplan–Meier curves. ^bHR derived from Cox proportional hazards model, p-value derived from log-rank test. ^cPrimary analysis based on the modified Andersen–Gill model, also known as LWYY.

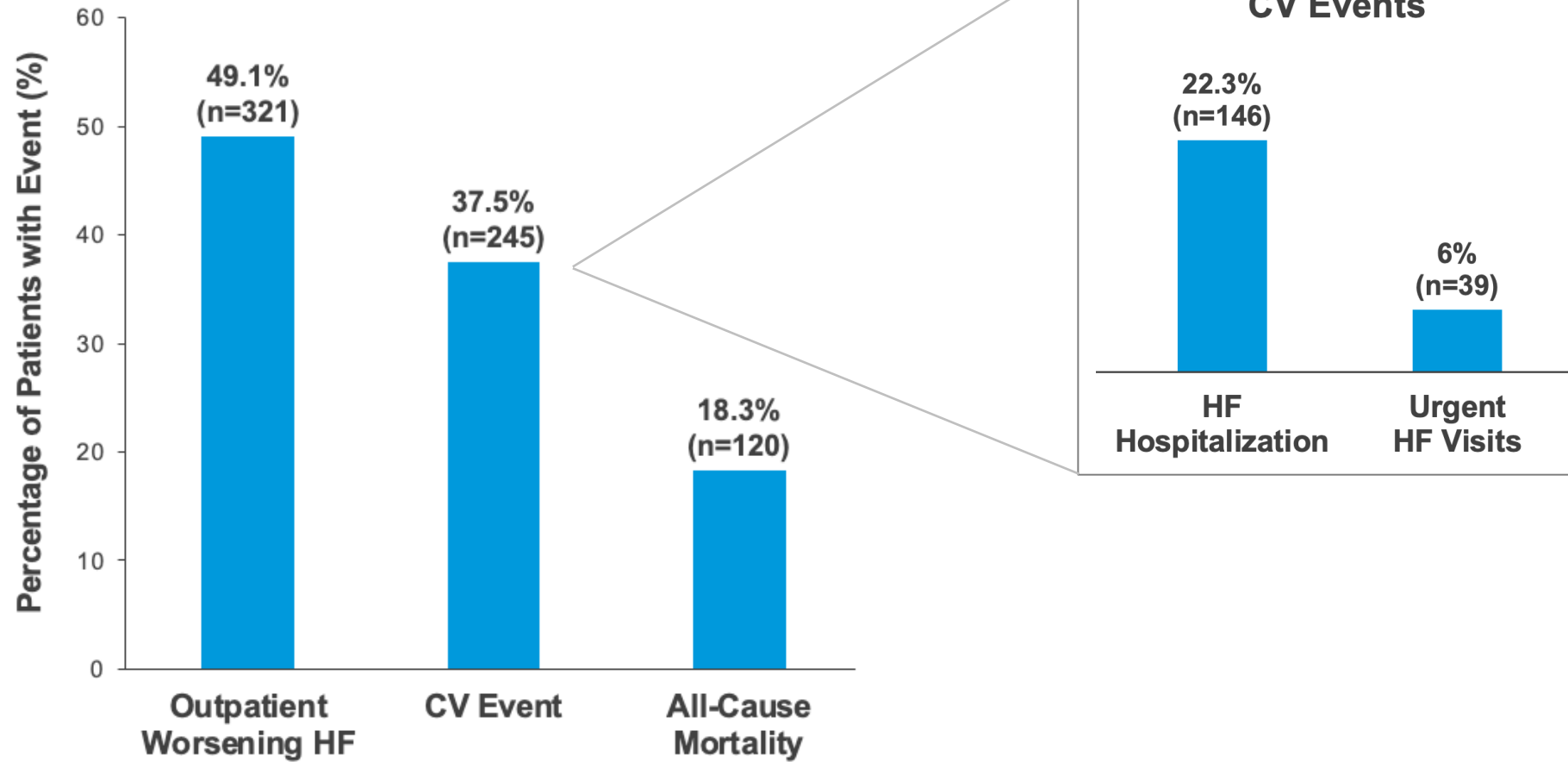
Abbreviations: ACM, all-cause mortality; CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HR, hazard ratio; LWYY, Lin, Wei, Yang, and Ying.

Outpatient Worsening Heart Failure



- Reduction in HF hospitalization or urgent HF visits have been used as markers of efficacy for testing HF therapies. However, worsening HF can also manifest in the outpatient setting with initiation or intensification of loop diuretic therapy, which has been shown to be prognostic for mortality and discriminatory for therapies in HF
- Outpatient oral diuretic intensification is frequent in ATTR-CM and has strong prognostic significance, and such events represent a potential opportunity for intervention to prevent downstream hospitalization and mortality events
- Because outpatient oral diuretic initiation or intensification may occur more frequently and earlier than HF hospitalizations and may be more modifiable by treatment, inclusion of these events in a composite endpoint could provide more complete capture of HF events

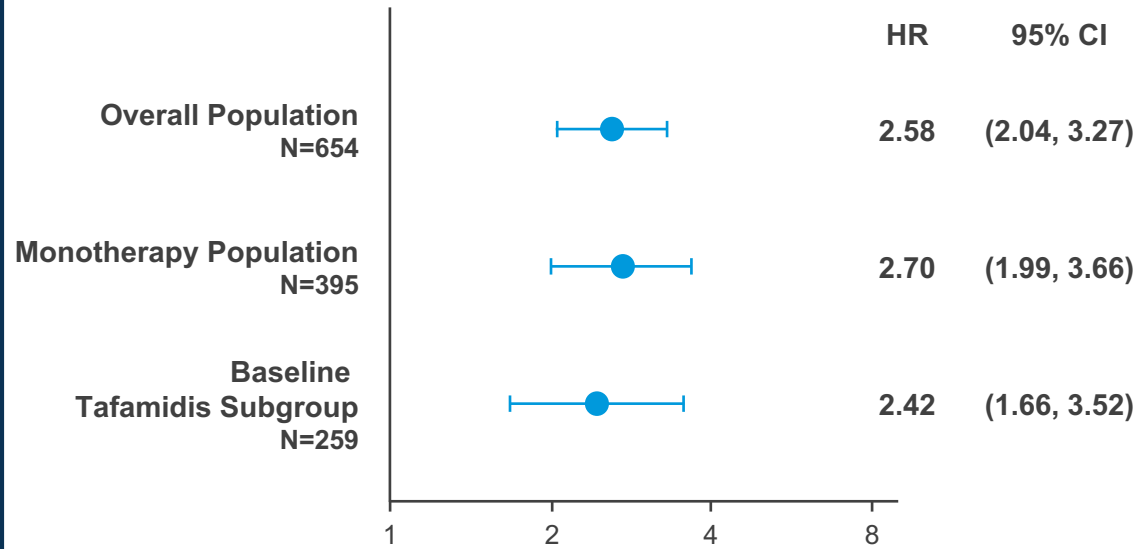
Outpatient Worsening HF was Common in HELIOS-B



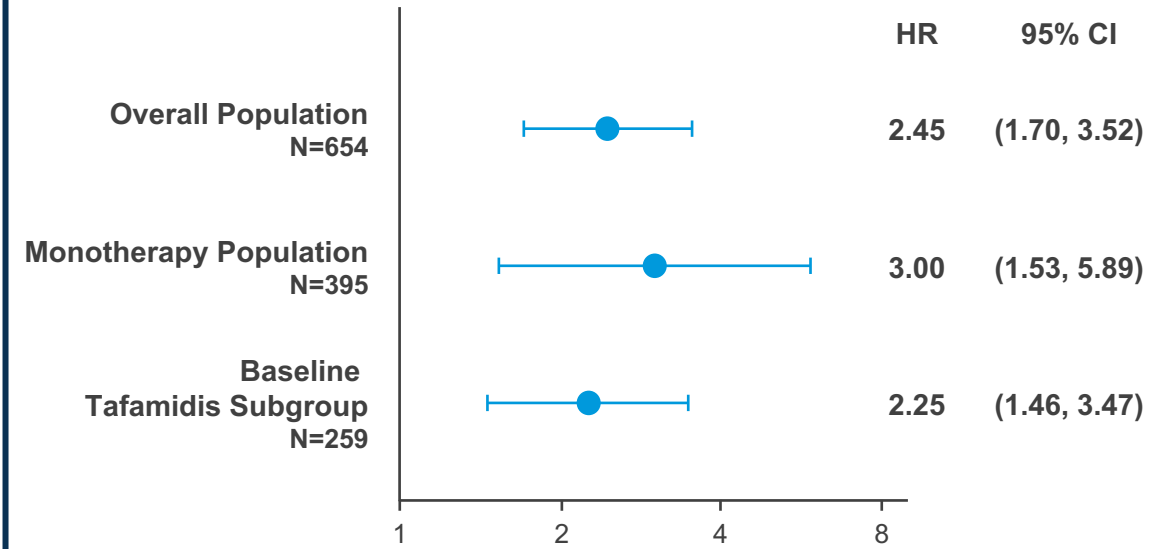
Outpatient Worsening HF Is Associated with Risk of CV Events and All-Cause Mortality

Outpatient worsening HF more than doubles the risk

Association of Outpatient Worsening HF with the Composite of All-Cause Mortality and Recurrent CV Events^a



Association of Outpatient Worsening HF with All-Cause Mortality^b



- The risks were similar in the overall and monotherapy populations and the baseline tafamidis subgroup

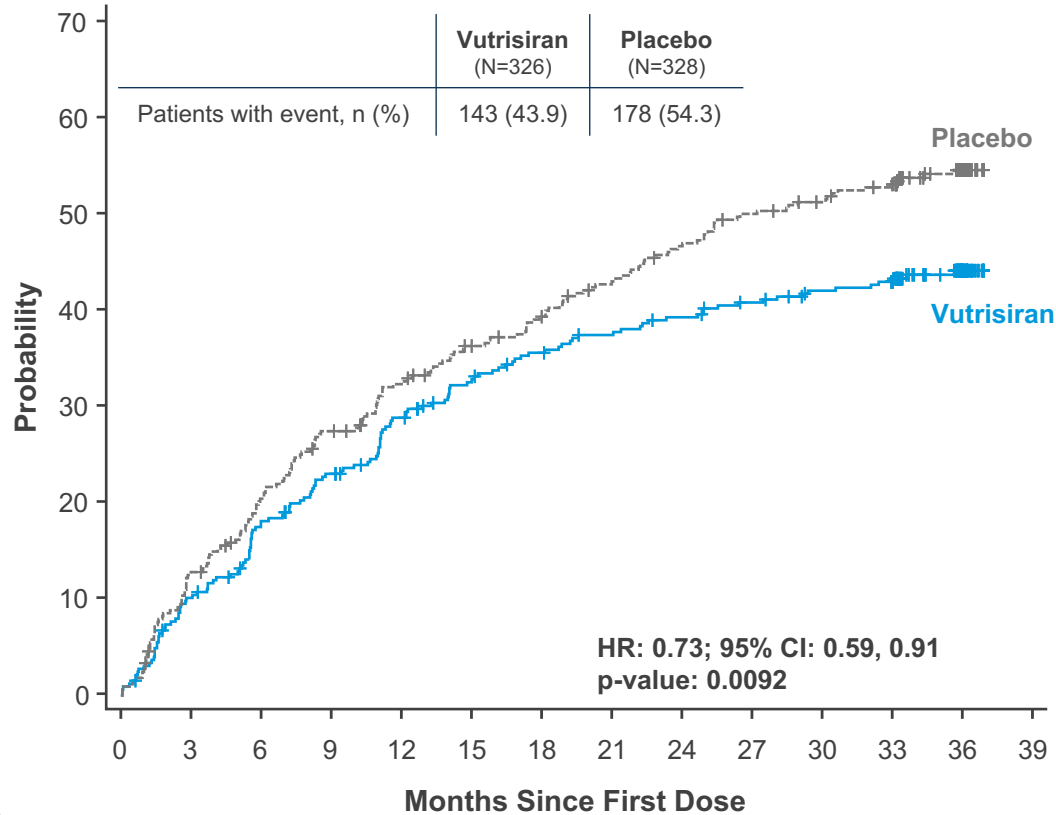
^aThe HR for the association between outpatient worsening HF and the composite of all-cause mortality and recurrent CV events was analyzed using a modified Andersen–Gill model with a robust variance estimator stratified by randomized treatment. ^bThe HR for the association between outpatient worsening HF events and all-cause mortality was analyzed using a Cox regression model stratified by randomized treatment. Outpatient worsening HF events were included as time-varying covariates and in the overall population, all models were stratified by baseline tafamidis use. An HR >1 indicates greater risk with outpatient worsening HF. **Abbreviations:** ATTR-CM, transthyretin amyloidosis with cardiomyopathy; CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio.

Vutrisiran Reduces the Risk of Outpatient Worsening HF

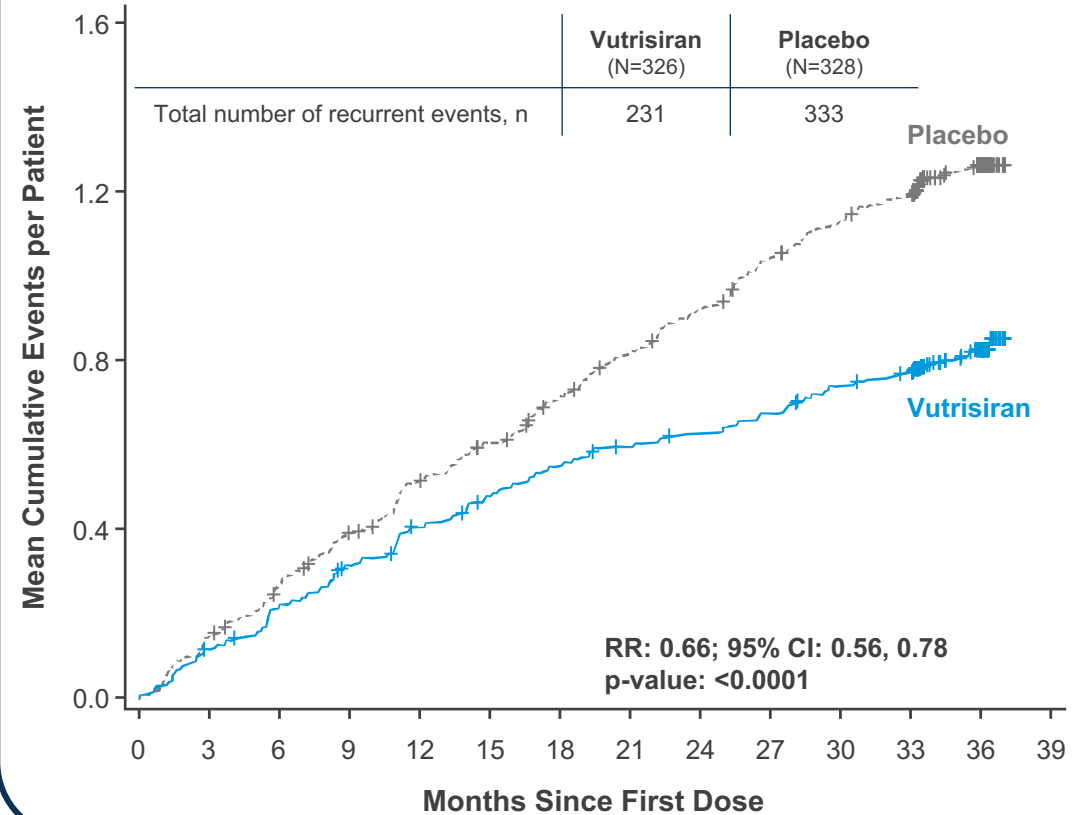
Decreased risks of both a first outpatient worsening HF and of recurrent outpatient worsening HF



Impact of Vutrisiran on Time to First Outpatient Worsening HF^a



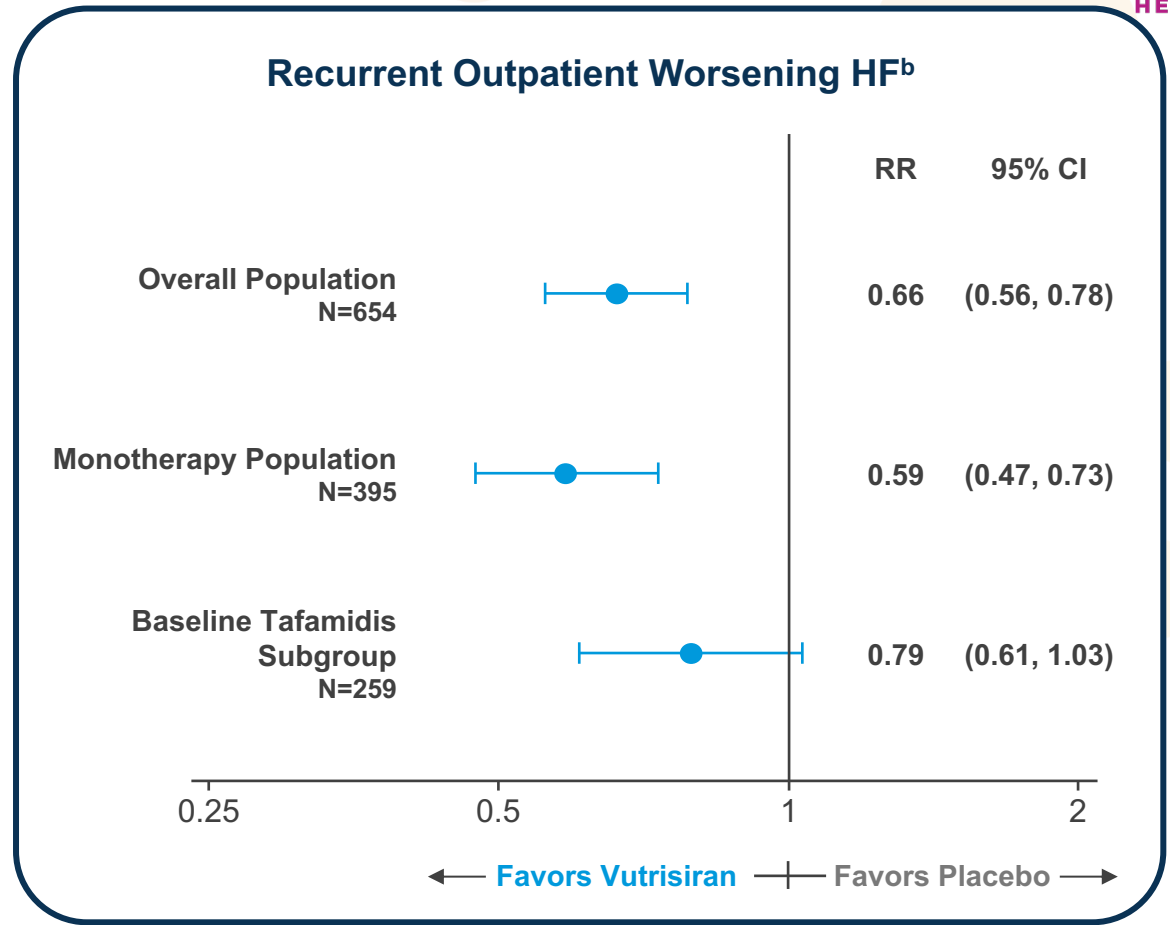
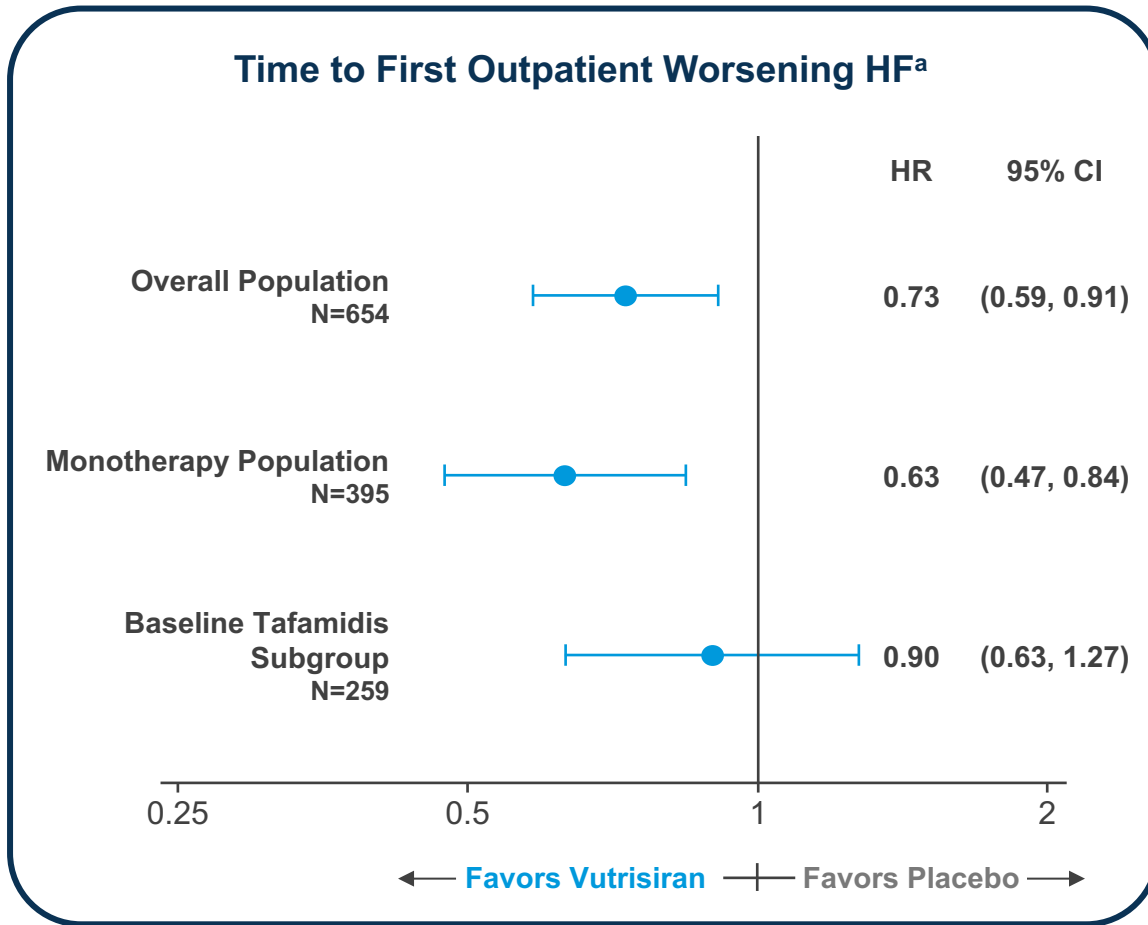
Impact of Vutrisiran on Recurrent Outpatient Worsening HF^b



^aProbabilities are estimated from the cumulative incidence function. HR was derived from a Cox proportional hazards model stratified by baseline tafamidis use, with treatment group, log-transformed baseline NT-proBNP, ATTR amyloidosis type, NYHA class, and age group as covariates, and with death treated as a competing risk. ^bMean cumulative events are estimated from the mean cumulative function. RR was derived using the Poisson regression model including treatment group, log-transformed NT-proBNP, type of ATTR amyloidosis, NYHA class, age group, baseline tafamidis use, and treatment-by-baseline tafamidis use interaction as covariates, with the logarithm of the follow-up time as an offset variable. Data are truncated when the at-risk population reaches five patients.

Abbreviations: ATTR, transthyretin amyloidosis; CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio, NT-proBNP, N-terminal prohormone of B-type natriuretic peptide; NYHA, New York Heart Association; PH, proportional hazards; RR, rate ratio.

The Benefit of Vutrisiran Is Consistent across Study Populations



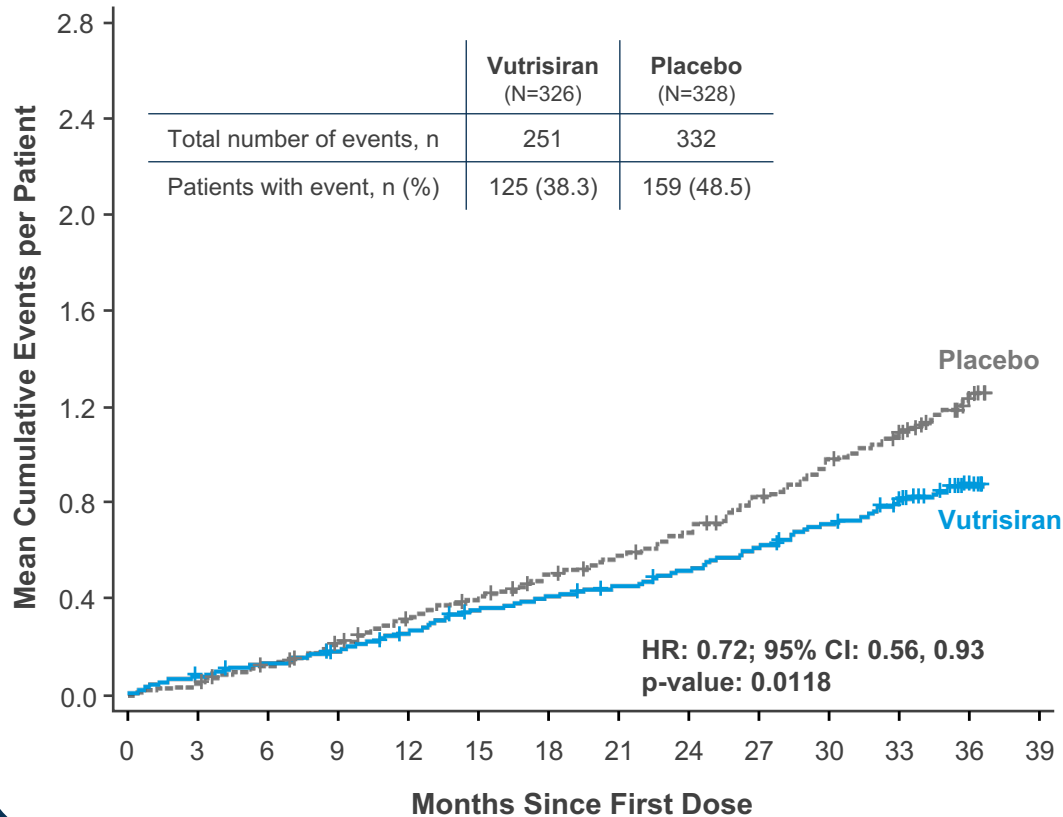
- Results are consistent with data from APOLLO-B,¹ where patisiran significantly reduced the risk of:
 - Time to first outpatient worsening HF, HR: 0.70; 95% CI: 0.51, 0.96
 - Recurrent outpatient worsening HF, HR: 0.71; 95% CI: 0.53, 0.95

^aHR was analyzed with a Cox proportional hazards model including treatment, ATTR disease type, NYHA class, age group, and log-transformed baseline NT-proBNP as covariates, with mortality treated as a competing risk. In the overall population, the model was stratified by baseline tafamidis use; ^bPoisson regression model includes treatment group, log-transformed NT-proBNP, type of ATTR, NYHA class and age group as covariates, and the logarithm of the follow-up time as an offset variable. For subgroups, the analysis is based on the subgroup data only. For overall population, the model includes baseline tafamidis use and treatment-by-baseline tafamidis use interaction. **Abbreviations:** ATTR, transthyretin amyloidosis; CI, confidence interval; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio; NT-proBNP, N-terminal prohormone of B-type natriuretic peptide; NYHA, New York Heart Association RR, rate ratio. **Reference:** 1. Fontana et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2024 Apr, 83 (13_Supplement) 511. [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0735-1097\(24\)02501-4](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0735-1097(24)02501-4). (Manuscript In Press).

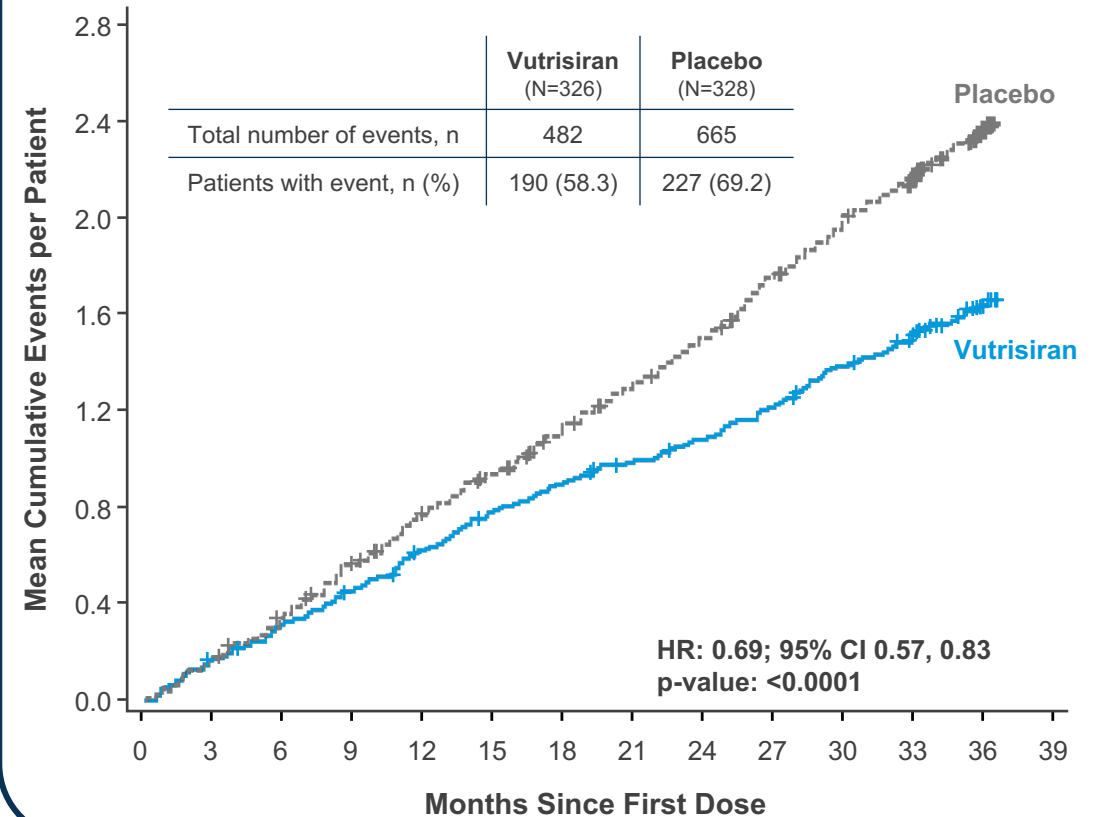
Vutrisiran Reduces the Risk of Outpatient Worsening HF, Recurrent CV Events, and All-Cause Mortality

Early benefit of vutrisiran on the expanded composite endpoint

Composite of All-Cause Mortality or Recurrent CV Events^{a,b}



Composite of All-Cause Mortality, Recurrent CV Events^a, or Recurrent Outpatient Worsening HF Events^b



^aCV events defined as CV hospitalizations or urgent HF visits. ^bMean cumulative events are estimated from the mean cumulative function. HRs were derived using the modified Andersen–Gill model with robust variance estimator stratified by baseline tafamidis use, with treatment group, log-transformed NT-proBNP, type of ATTR amyloidosis, NYHA class, and age group as covariates. Data are truncated when the at-risk population reaches five patients.

Abbreviations: ATTR, transthyretin amyloidosis; CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio; NT-proBNP, N-terminal prohormone of B-type natriuretic peptide.

Summary



For US HCPs Only

- In HELIOS-B, vutrisiran rapidly knocked down TTR, lowered risk of all-cause mortality and CV events, and preserved functional capacity and quality of life, compared with placebo, in a population reflective of today's patients with ATTR-CM that had substantial use of background therapy
- In this prespecified analysis of HELIOS-B, outpatient worsening HF was common, occurring in 49% of patients with ATTR-CM during the 36-month double-blind period
- Outpatient worsening HF was associated with an increased risk of all-cause mortality and recurrent CV events, all-cause mortality alone
- Vutrisiran reduced the risk of outpatient worsening HF and the composite of outpatient worsening HF, all-cause mortality, and recurrent CV events compared with placebo
- Compared with placebo, the benefit of vutrisiran on the risk of worsening HF is observed early after treatment initiation

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