

Effects of Dapagliflozin on Symptoms, Function and Quality of Life in Patients with Heart Failure: **The DAPA-HF Trial**

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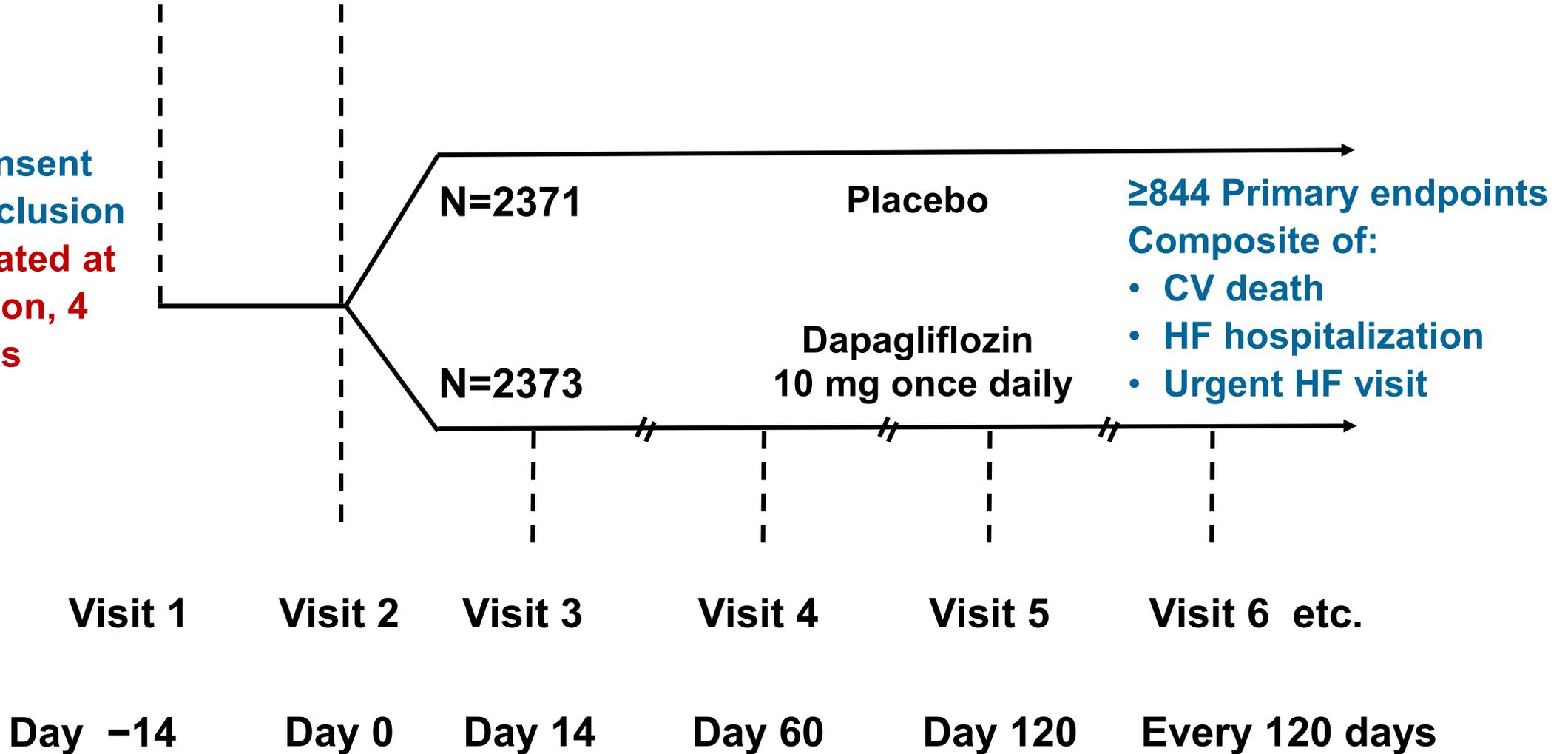
Goals of Care in Heart Failure

- Reduce death and hospitalizations
- Improve health status
 - Symptoms
 - Physical Limitations
 - Quality of Life

DAPA-HF Design

Enrolment Randomization

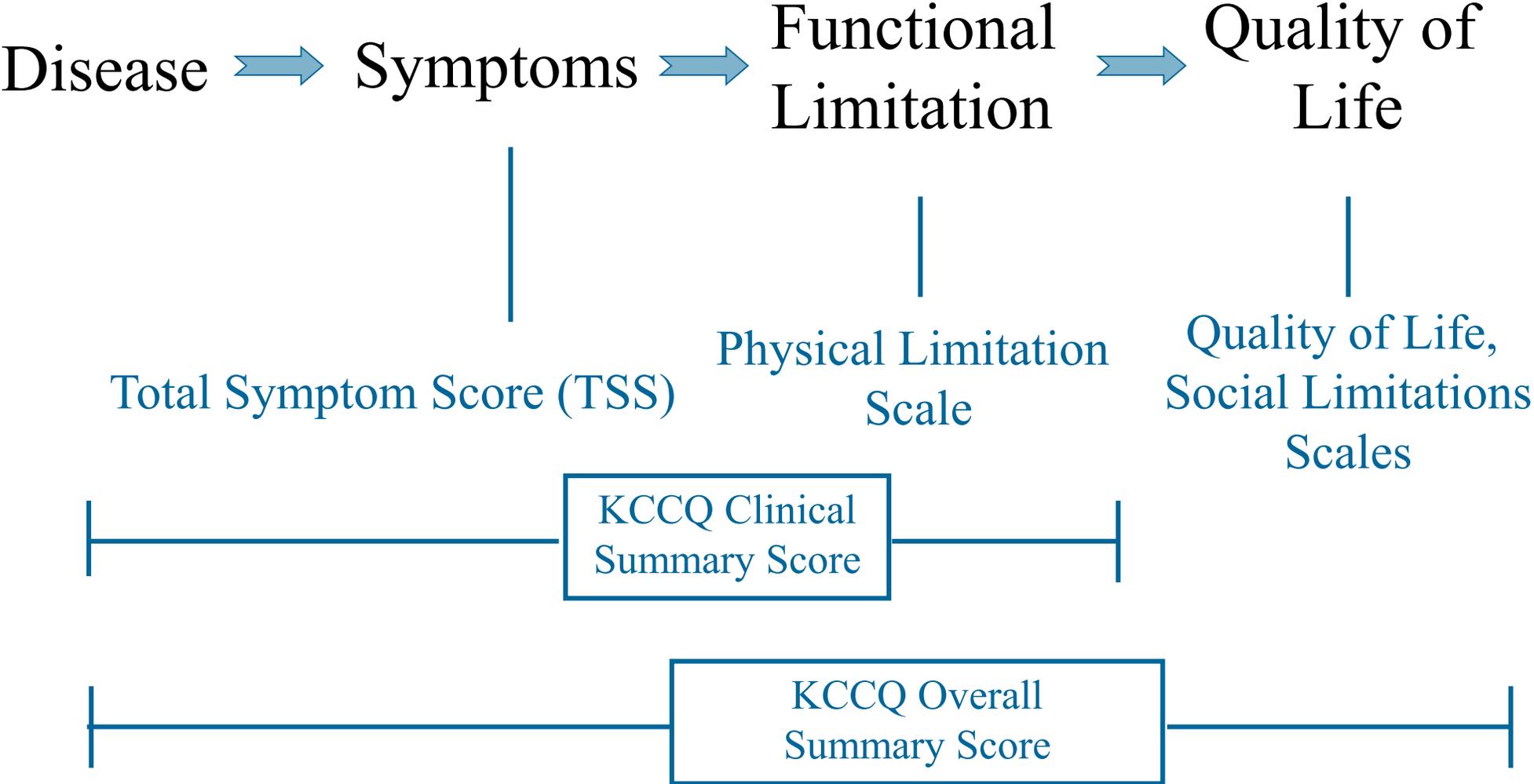
- Informed consent
- Inclusion/exclusion
- **KCCQ evaluated at Randomization, 4 and 8 months**



Kansas City Cardiomyopathy Questionnaire

- 23 items that measure 4 clinical domains
 - Symptoms: Frequency and Severity
 - Physical Limitation
 - Quality of Life
 - Social Limitation
- Represents the *patient's* perspective of their HF
- Scores range 0-100, higher scores reflect better health status
- Established validity, reliability and responsiveness
 - Independently associated with death and hospitalization
- 5-point threshold established as clinically meaningful change

Mapping the KCCQ Scales



Statistical Analysis

- Patients divided based on baseline KCCQ-TSS tertiles
- Effects of dapagliflozin on clinical outcomes across the KCCQ tertiles evaluated using Cox proportional-hazards models
- Between-group differences in mean KCCQ-TSS, CSS and OSS at 4 and 8 months assessed by using mixed models for repeated measures, adjusted for baseline KCCQ
- Responder analyses examined proportions of patients with a deterioration, and clinically meaningful improvements in KCCQ at 8 months (≥ 5 point [at least small], ≥ 10 point [at least moderate], and ≥ 15 point [large] change)

Baseline Characteristics

KCCQ-TSS at Baseline	Tertile 1 (N=1,487)	Tertile 2 (N=1,564)	Tertile 3 (N=1,392)	Total (N=4,443)	p for trend
Age (years)	65.8	66.4	66.8	66.3	0.007
Male	72.2%	78.0%	83.3%	77.7%	<0.001
White Race	79.0%	73.0%	62.1%	71.6%	<0.001
NT-proBNP (pg/mL)	1716	1389	1292	1432	<0.001
NYHA Class III/IV	49.9%	29.4%	18.2%	32.6%	<0.001
T2DM	45.9%	39.5%	40.7%	42.0%	0.004
Atrial fibrillation	44.0%	36.8%	35.4%	38.8%	<0.001
ACE-I/ARB/ARNI	94.2%	94.8%	93.7%	94.3%	0.544
Diuretic	96.2%	94.0%	90.5%	93.6%	<0.001
Beta blocker	96.3%	96.3%	96.0%	96.2%	0.653
MRA	73.8%	71.5%	67.0%	70.9%	<0.001

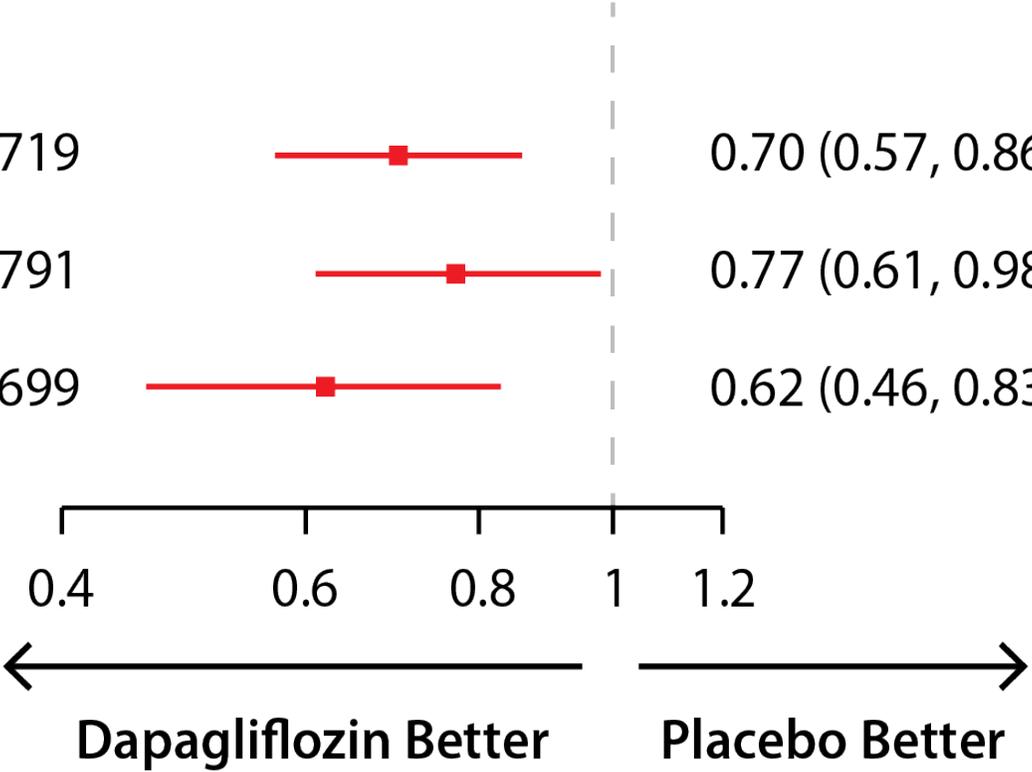
Effects of Dapagliflozin on Primary Endpoint by KCCQ Tertiles

Cardiovascular Death,
Hospitalization for HF
or Urgent HF Visit

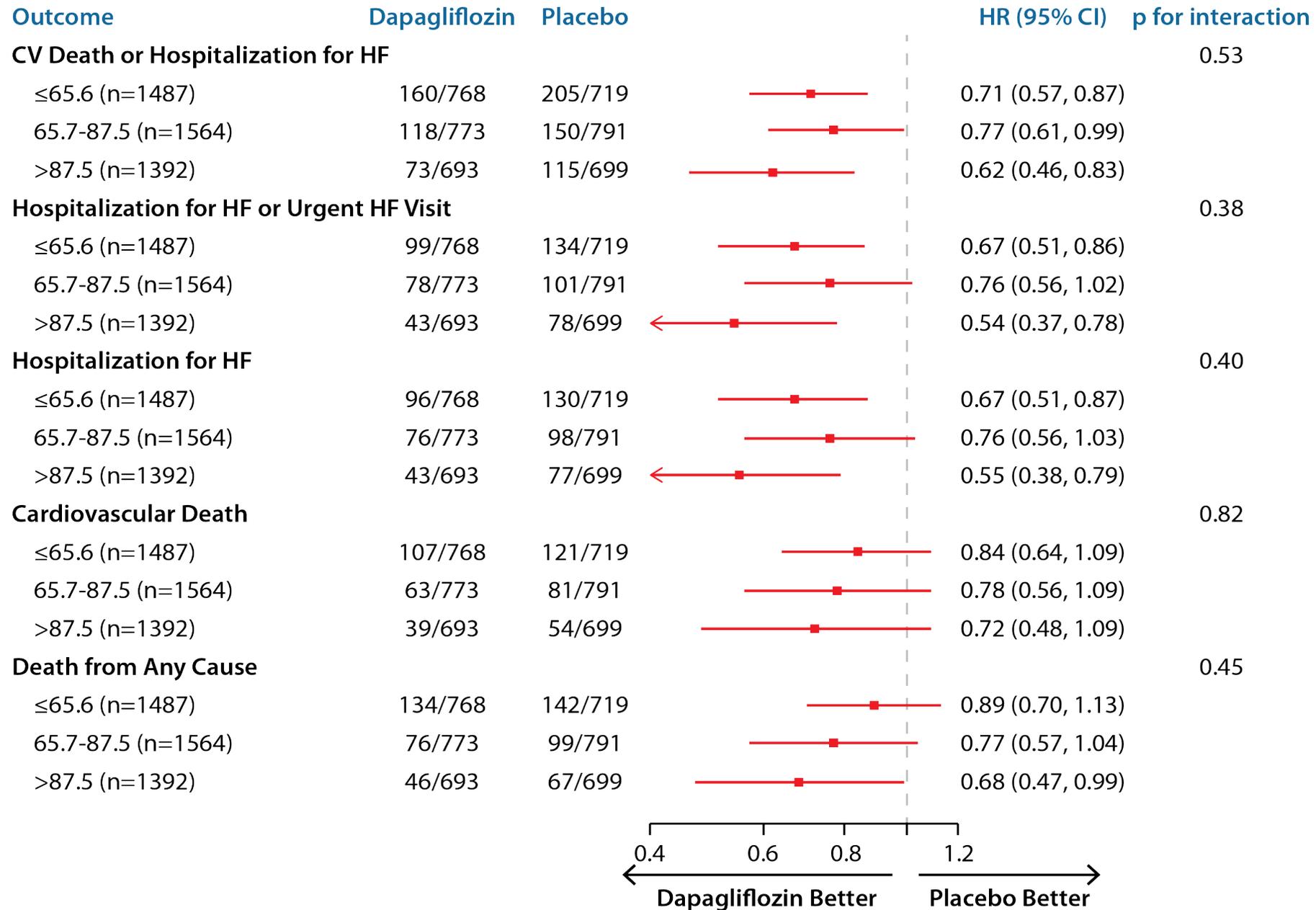
Dapagliflozin Placebo

HR (95% CI) p-value for Interaction

KCCQ Tertile (n)	Dapagliflozin	Placebo	HR (95% CI)	p-value for Interaction
≤65.6 (n=1487)	162/768	209/719	0.70 (0.57, 0.86)	0.52
65.7-87.5 (n=1564)	119/773	152/791	0.77 (0.61, 0.98)	
>87.5 (n=1392)	73/693	116/699	0.62 (0.46, 0.83)	



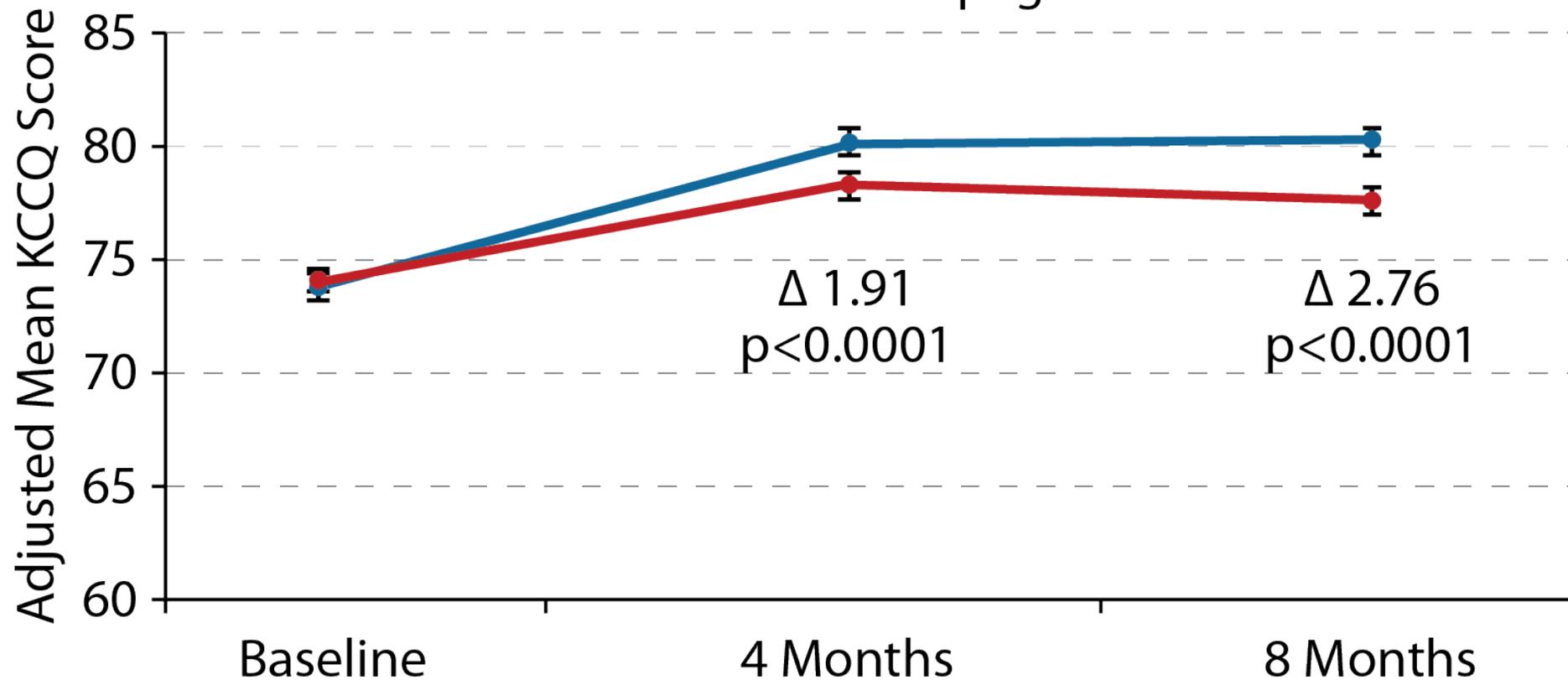
Effects of Dapagliflozin on Secondary Endpoints by KCCQ Tertiles



Effect of Dapagliflozin on KCCQ Total Symptom Score at 4 and 8 months

KCCQ Total Symptom Score

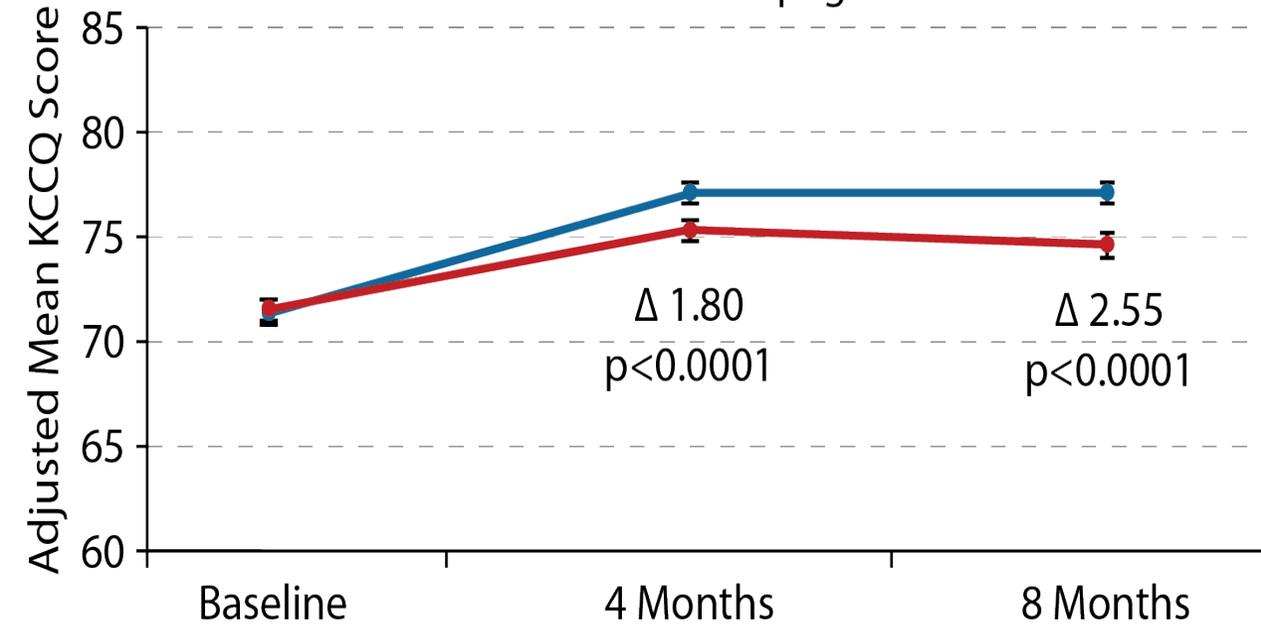
—●— Placebo —●— Dapagliflozin



Effect of Dapagliflozin on KCCQ Clinical Summary Score and Overall Summary Score at 4 and 8 months

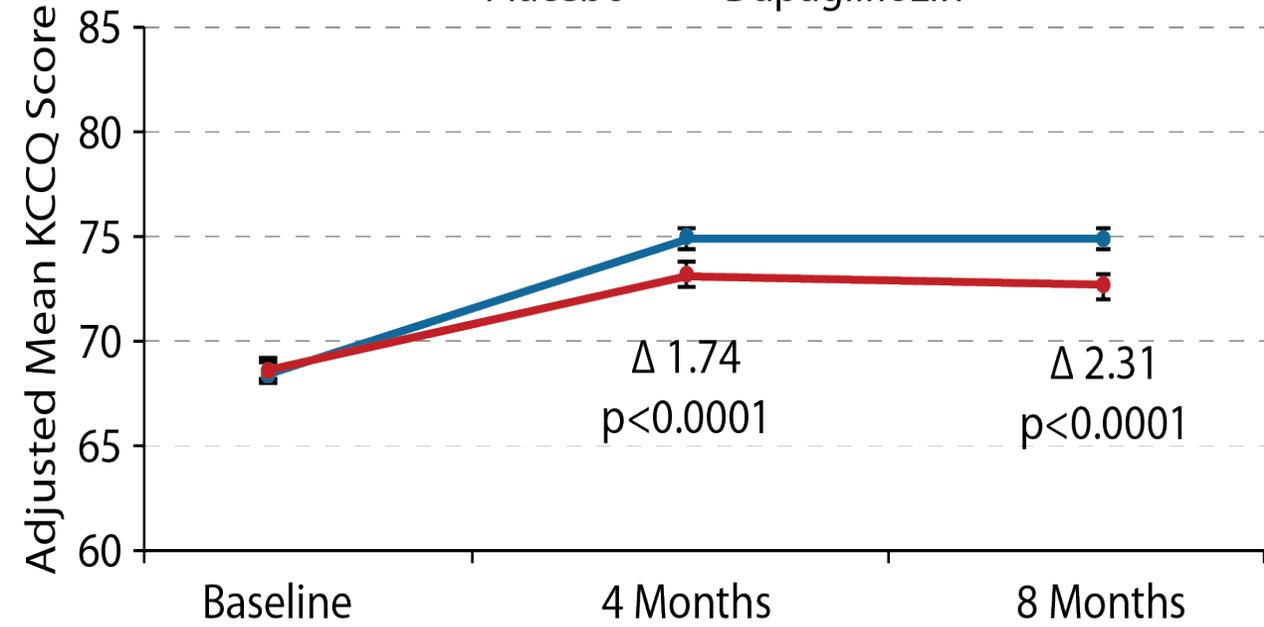
KCCQ Clinical Summary Score

Placebo Dapagliflozin



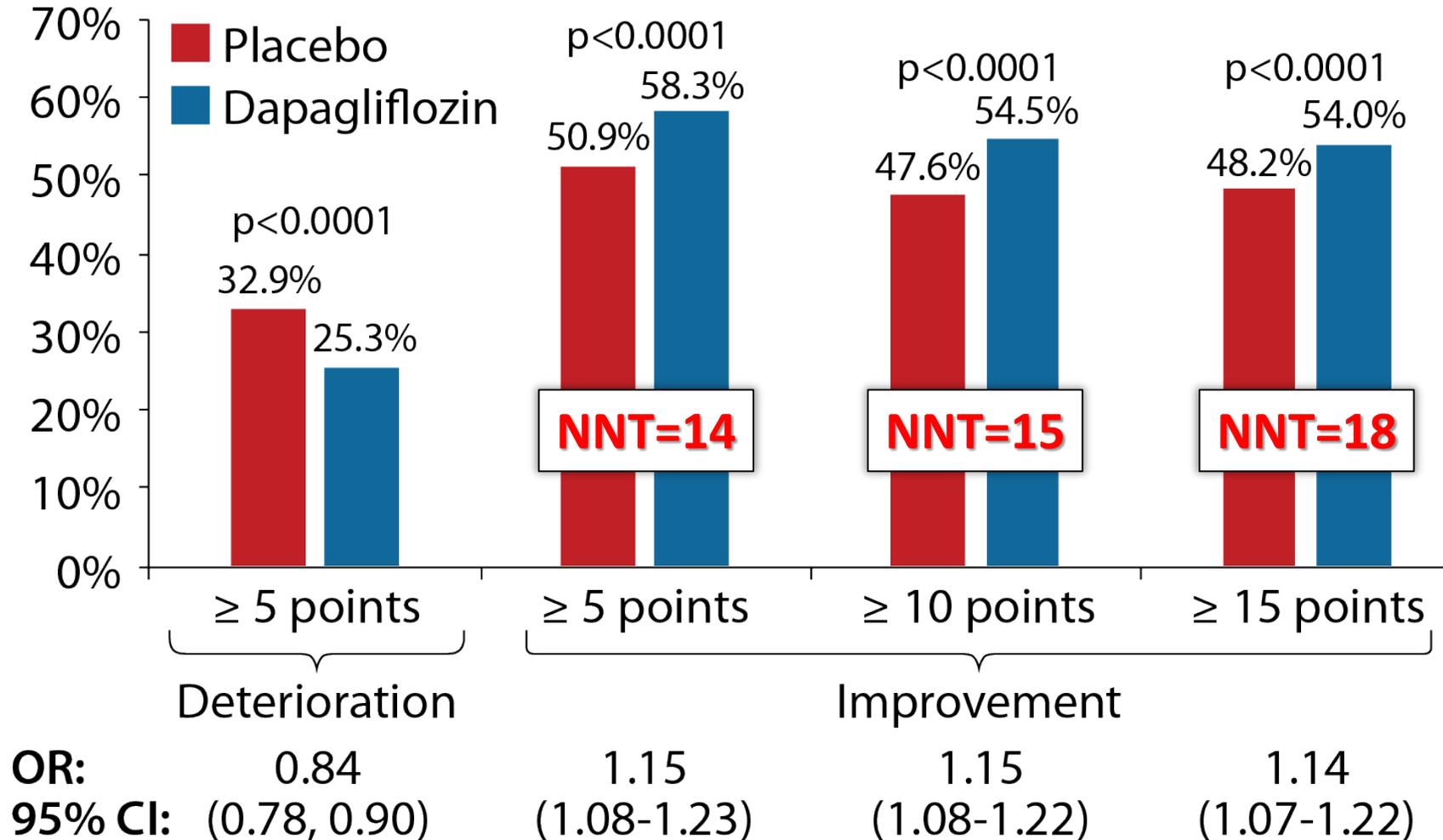
KCCQ Overall Summary Score

Placebo Dapagliflozin



Clinically Meaningful Change in KCCQ: Dapagliflozin vs. Placebo

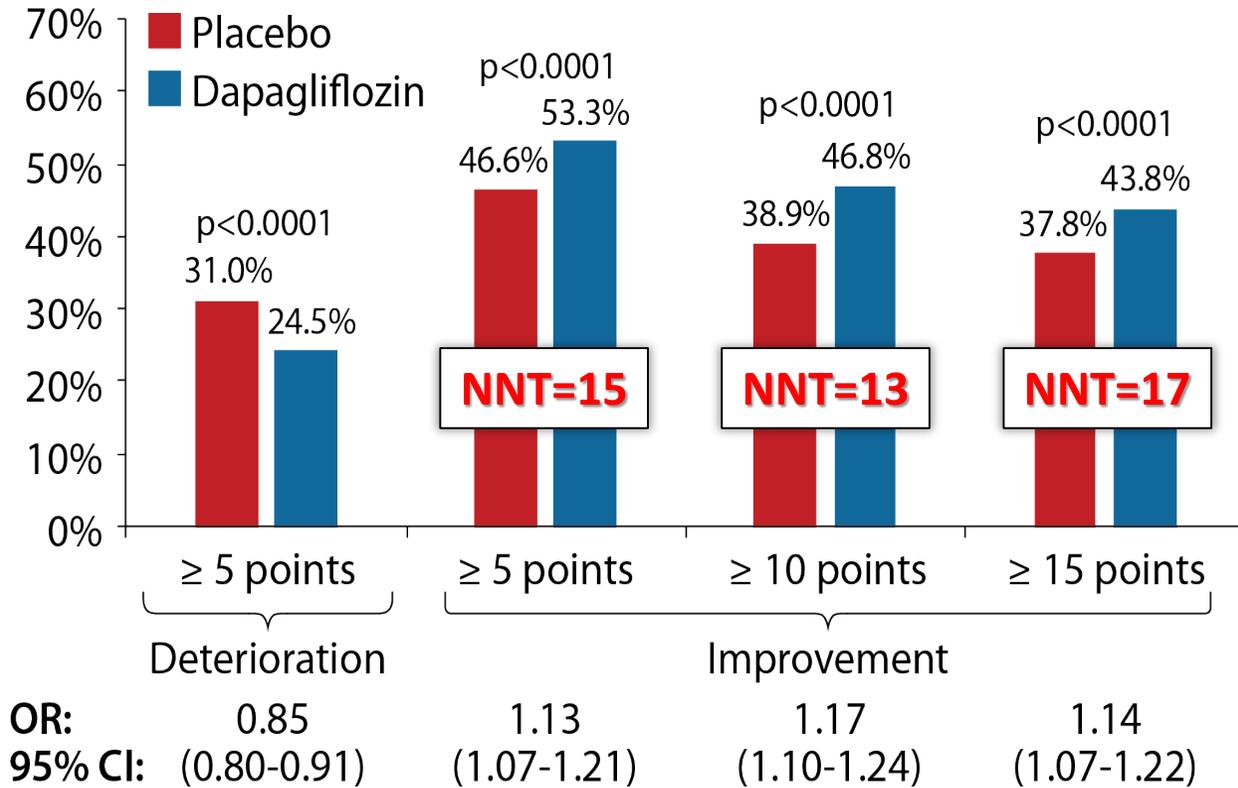
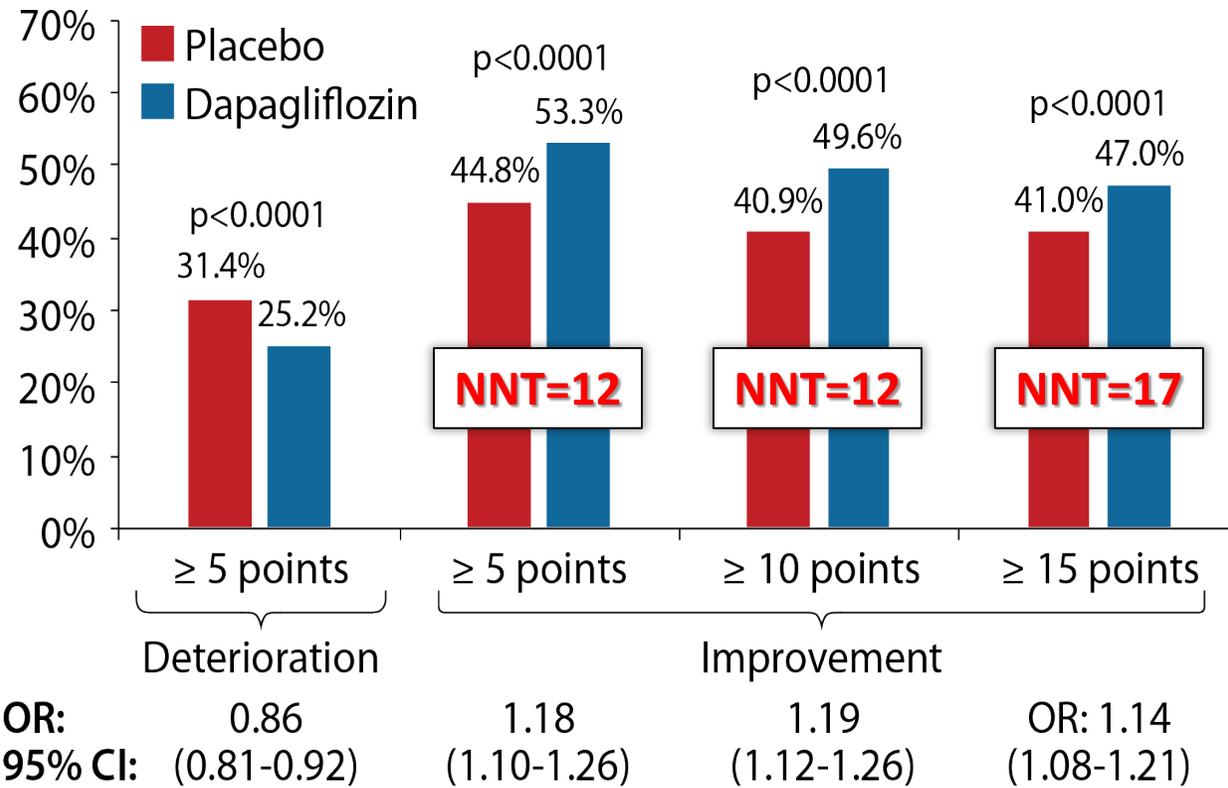
KCCQ Total Symptom Score



Clinically Meaningful Change in KCCQ: Dapagliflozin vs. Placebo

KCCQ Clinical Summary Score

KCCQ Overall Summary Score



Conclusions

- Dapagliflozin improved all key clinical outcomes, including CV death and worsening HF, to a similar extent across the entire range of KCCQ at baseline
- Dapagliflozin improved all major components of KCCQ - effects amplified over time
- Fewer dapagliflozin-treated patients had significant deterioration, and more experienced small, moderate and large clinically meaningful improvements across all key domains of KCCQ
- Effects were substantial, with NNT ranging between 12 and 18 when compared to placebo after just 8 months of treatment
- Dapagliflozin offers a new approach to improving symptoms, functional limitations and quality of life in patients with HFrEF

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