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**Campath, Calcineurin inhibitor reduction and
Chronic allograft nephropathy: the 3C Study**

Alemtuzumab-based *versus* basiliximab-based induction therapy in kidney transplantation

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Novartis Pharma (unrestricted grant); Pfizer (unrestricted grant)

I intend to reference unlabeled/unapproved uses of alemtuzumab for induction therapy in
kidney transplantation in my presentation.

Background




- Over the last few decades, long-term outcomes after kidney transplantation have not improved¹
- Chronic calcineurin inhibitor (CNI) nephrotoxicity may contribute to late graft loss²
- Reliable large randomized trials needed of strategies to reduce CNI exposure

¹ Meier-Kreische *Am J Transplant* 2004





² Nankivell *et al. New Engl J Med* 2003

Induction therapy regimens in the 3C Study

Alemtuzumab-based induction therapy

Alemtuzumab	 30mg on days 0 & 1 (only day 0 if age >60)
Mycophenolate	 360 mg twice daily
Tacrolimus	 target trough 5-7 ng/mL

Basiliximab-based induction therapy

Basiliximab	 20mg on days 0 and 4
Mycophenolate	 540 - 720 mg twice daily
Tacrolimus	 target trough 5-12 ng/mL
Prednisolone	

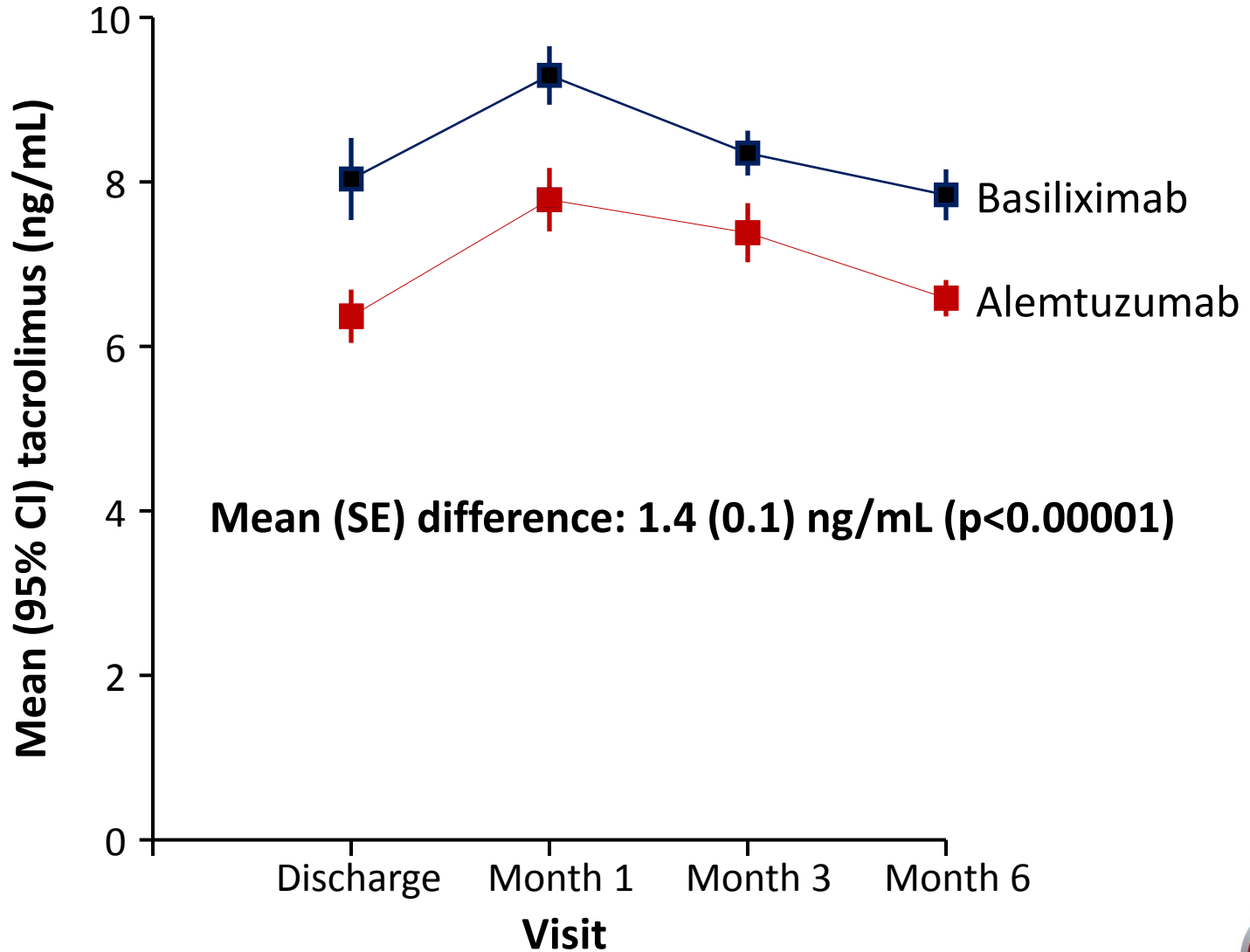
Eligibility criteria

- Inclusion criteria
 - Age ≥ 18 years
 - Scheduled to receive kidney transplant in next 24 hours
- Exclusion criteria
 - Prior treatment with alemtuzumab
 - History of malignancy in last 5 years
 - Active infection
 - Multi-organ transplants

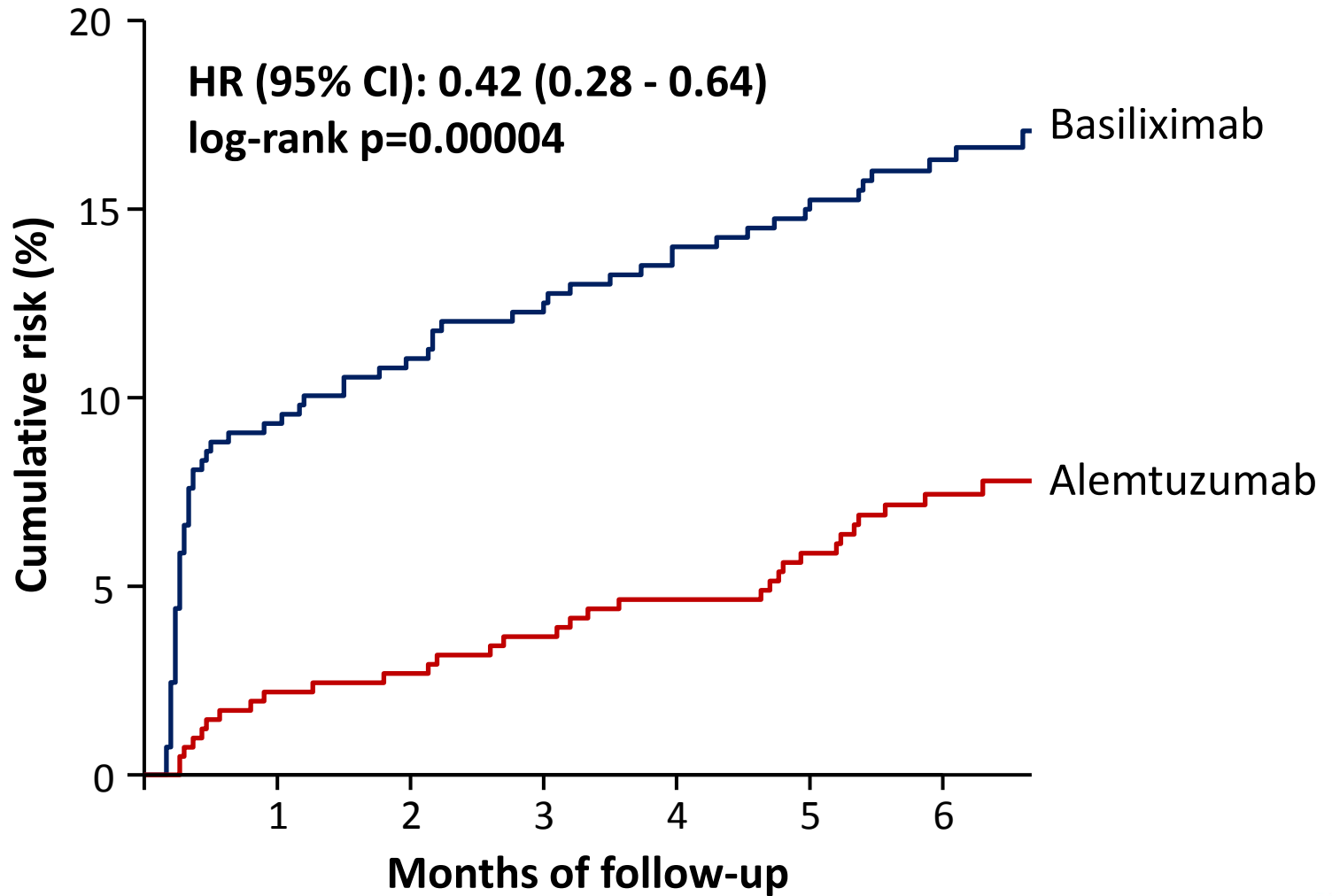
Baseline characteristics

	Alemtuzumab n=426	Basiliximab n=426
Age (SD)	51.6 (13.3)	51.3 (13.3)
Male sex (%)	65%	65%
Prior transplant (%)	8%	8%
Mean HLA mismatch A-B-DR	1.0 – 1.0 – 0.7	1.0 – 1.0 – 0.7
Highly sensitized (cRF >85%) (%)	4%	4%
Donor type (%)		
DBD	35%	34%
DCD	37%	37%
Living	28%	29%
Donor age, mean (SD)	48.1 (17.8)	47.8 (19.6)

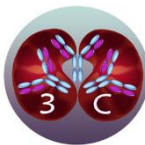
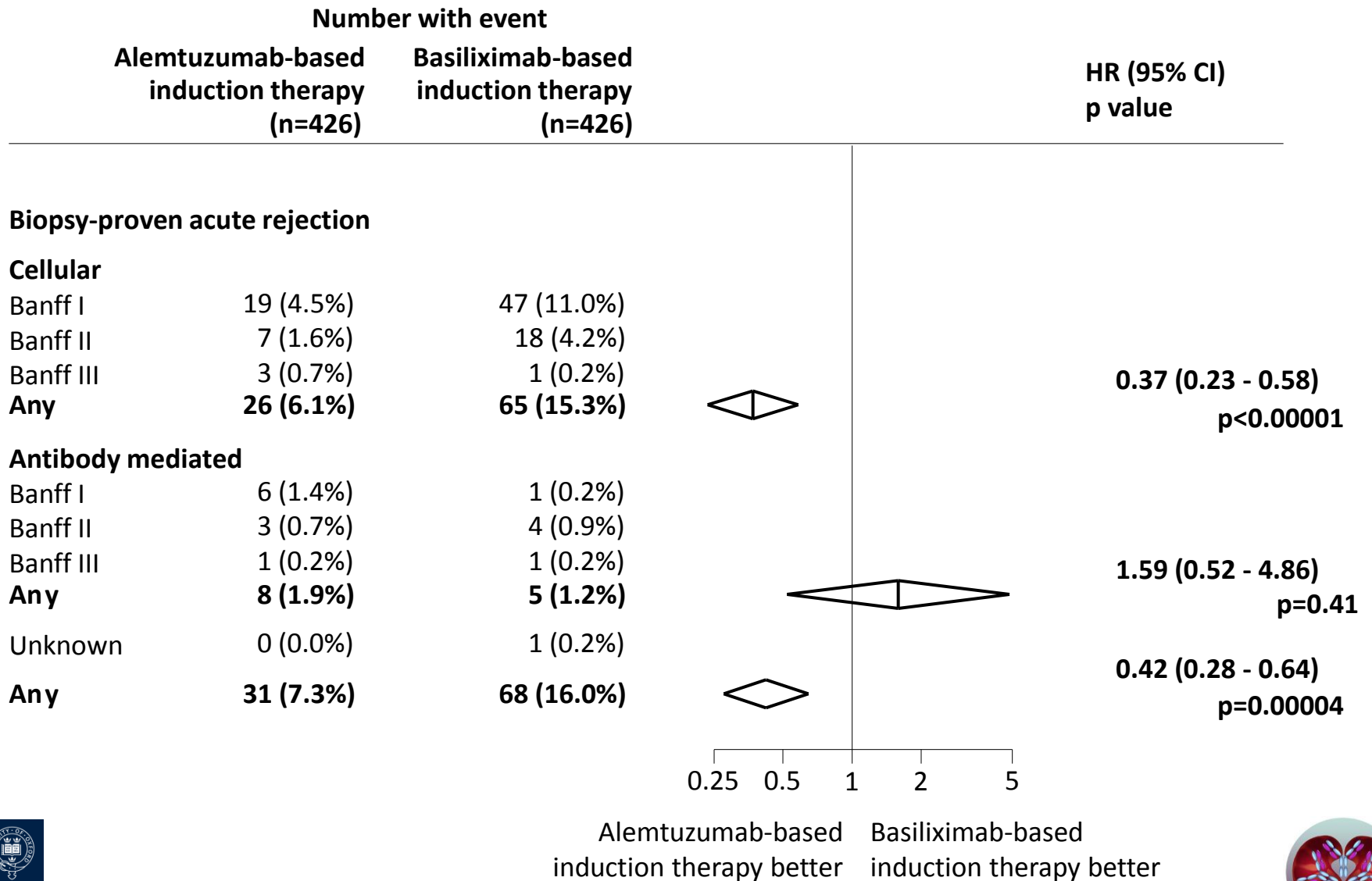
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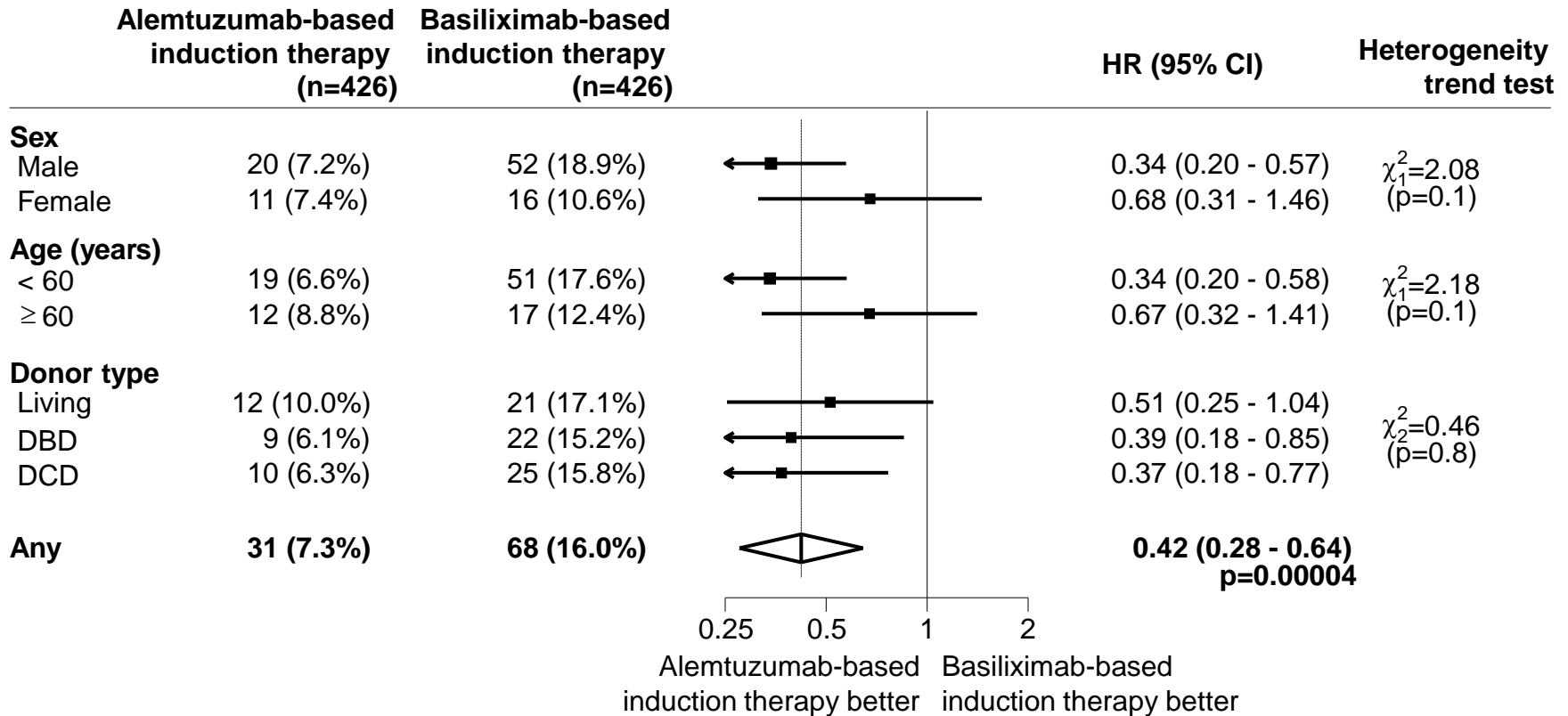
Biopsy-proven acute rejection



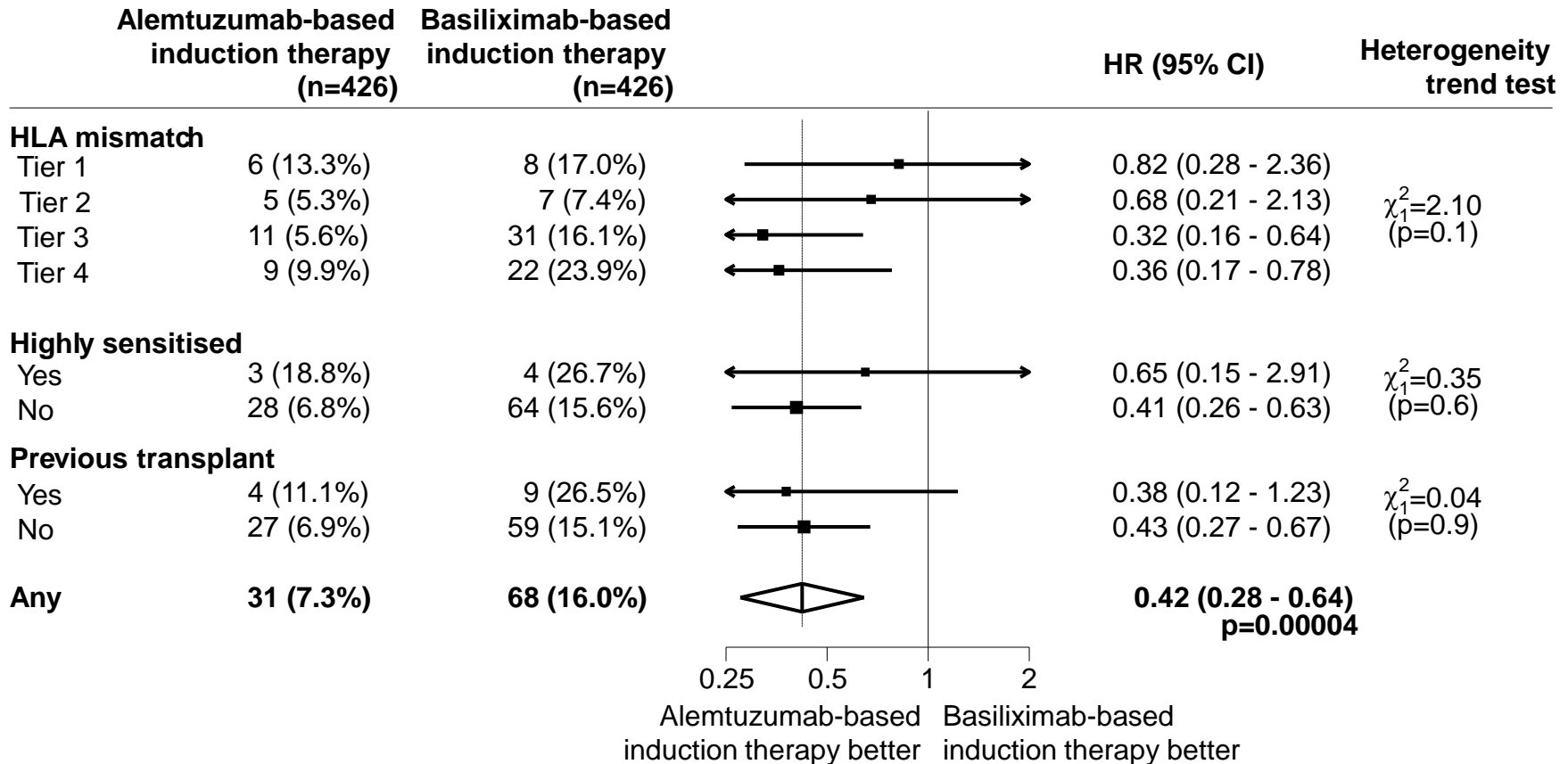
BPAR events in the first 6 months, by type



BPAR in first 6 months, by baseline characteristics



BPAR in first 6 months, by baseline characteristics



Serious infections in the first 6 months

	Alemtuzumab n=426	Basiliximab n=426	HR (95% CI)	p value
Opportunistic infections				
Cytomegalovirus	39 (9.2%)	43 (10.1%)		
BK	32 (7.5%)	17 (4.0%)		
Fungal	9 (2.1%)	13 (3.1%)		
Other	16 (3.8%)	11 (2.6)		
Any opportunistic infection	81 (19.0%)	78 (18.3%)	1.06 (0.78-1.45)	0.70
Other serious infections				
Urinary tract	44 (10.3%)	55 (12.9%)		
Respiratory	22 (5.2%)	22 (5.2%)		
Any other serious infection	71 (16.7%)	83 (19.5%)	0.85 (0.62-1.17)	0.33
Any serious infection	135 (31.7%)	136 (31.9%)	1.02 (0.80-1.29)	0.88

Transplant failure and death in the first 6 months

	Alemtuzumab n=426	Basiliximab n=426	HR (95% CI)	p value
Transplant failure				
Primary non-function	2 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)		
Glomerular disease	2 (0.5%)	1 (0.2%)		
Fibrosis/atrophy	0 (0.0%)	3 (0.7%)		
Medical/surgical condition	7 (1.6%)	8 (1.9%)		
Rejection	5 (1.2%)	1 (0.2%)		
Any transplant failure	16 (3.8%)	13 (3.1%)	1.23 (0.59-2.55)	0.58
Death	11 (2.6%)	6 (1.4%)	1.79 (0.66-4.83)	0.25

Conclusions

- 3C is the largest trial of induction therapy in kidney transplantation
- Alemtuzumab-based induction therapy halved the risk of acute rejection in first 6 months
- No overall excess of serious infections with alemtuzumab-based therapy
- Long-term results will provide reliable assessment of this strategy on transplant function and survival

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