



# Prevalence of early repolarization in Thailand and long term risk of cardiac mortality

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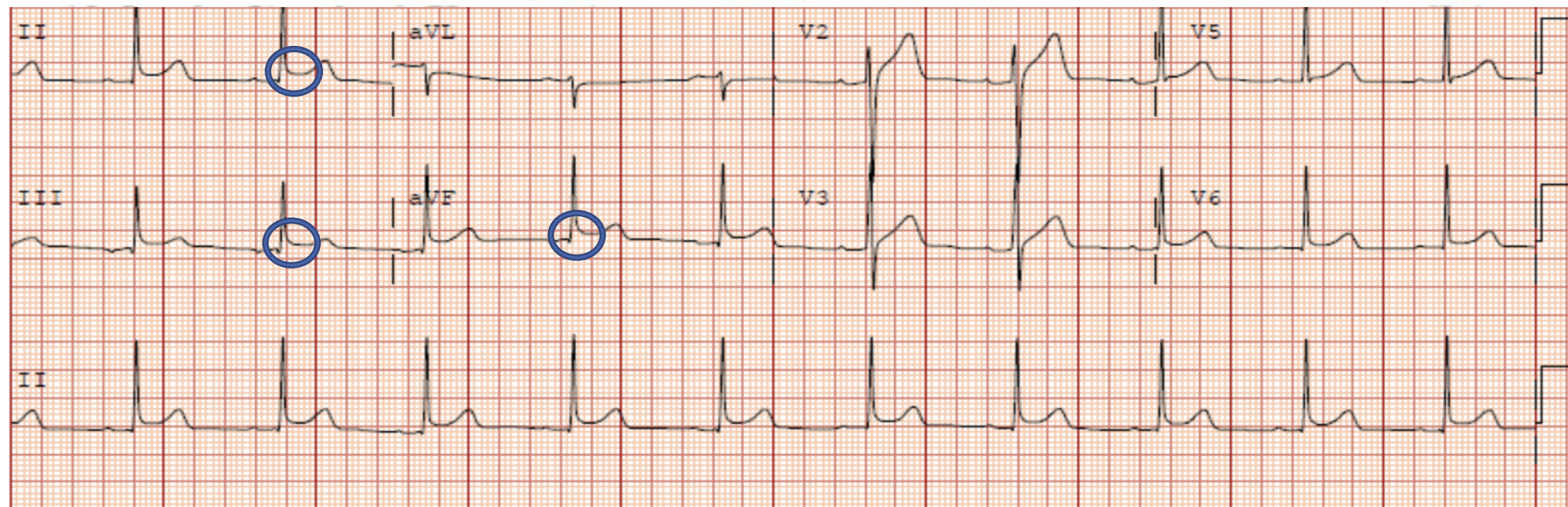


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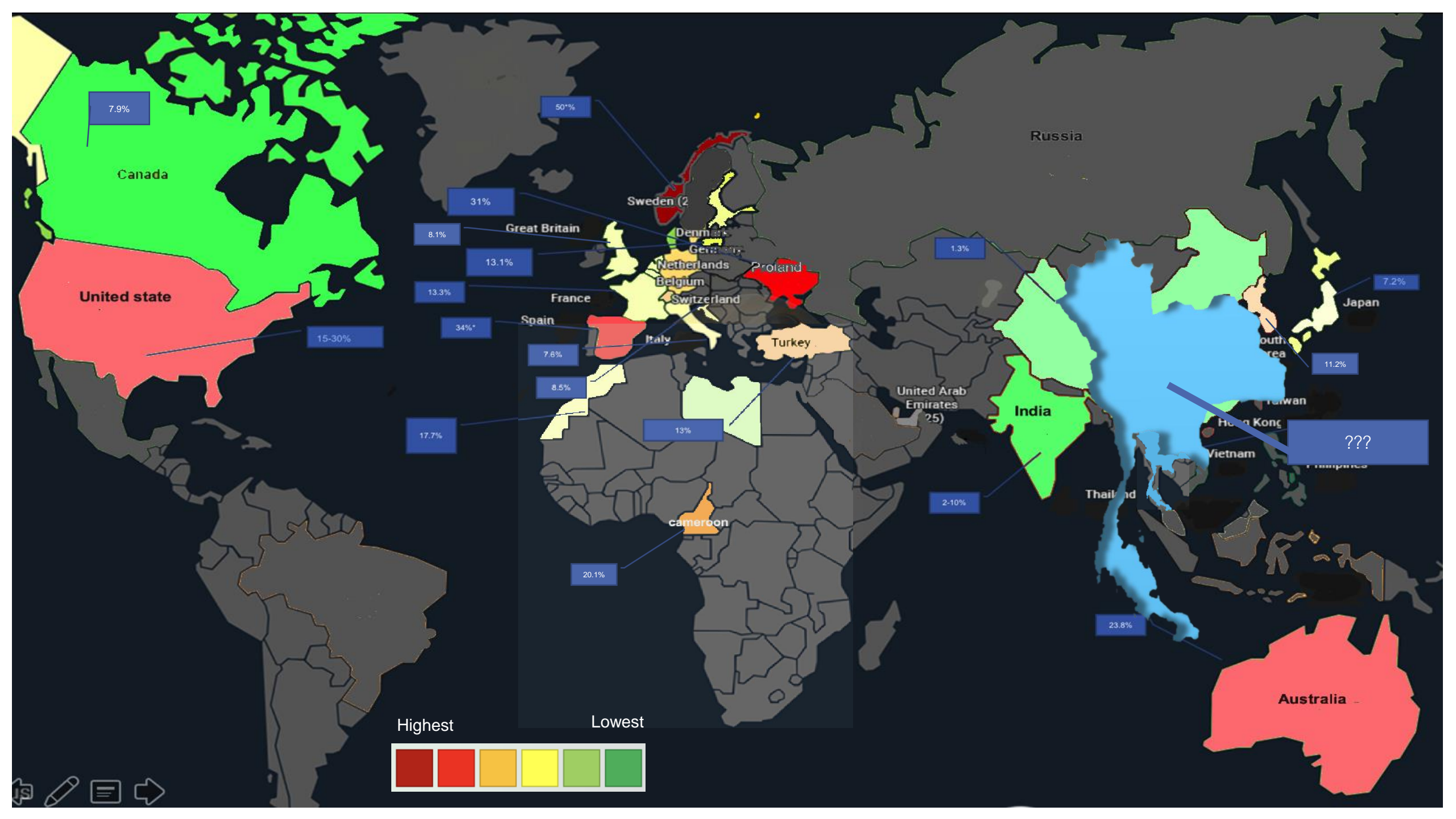
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- ABNORMAL ECG -

Previous Study:28-Sep-2018 10:24:07 - Abnormal Unconfirmed

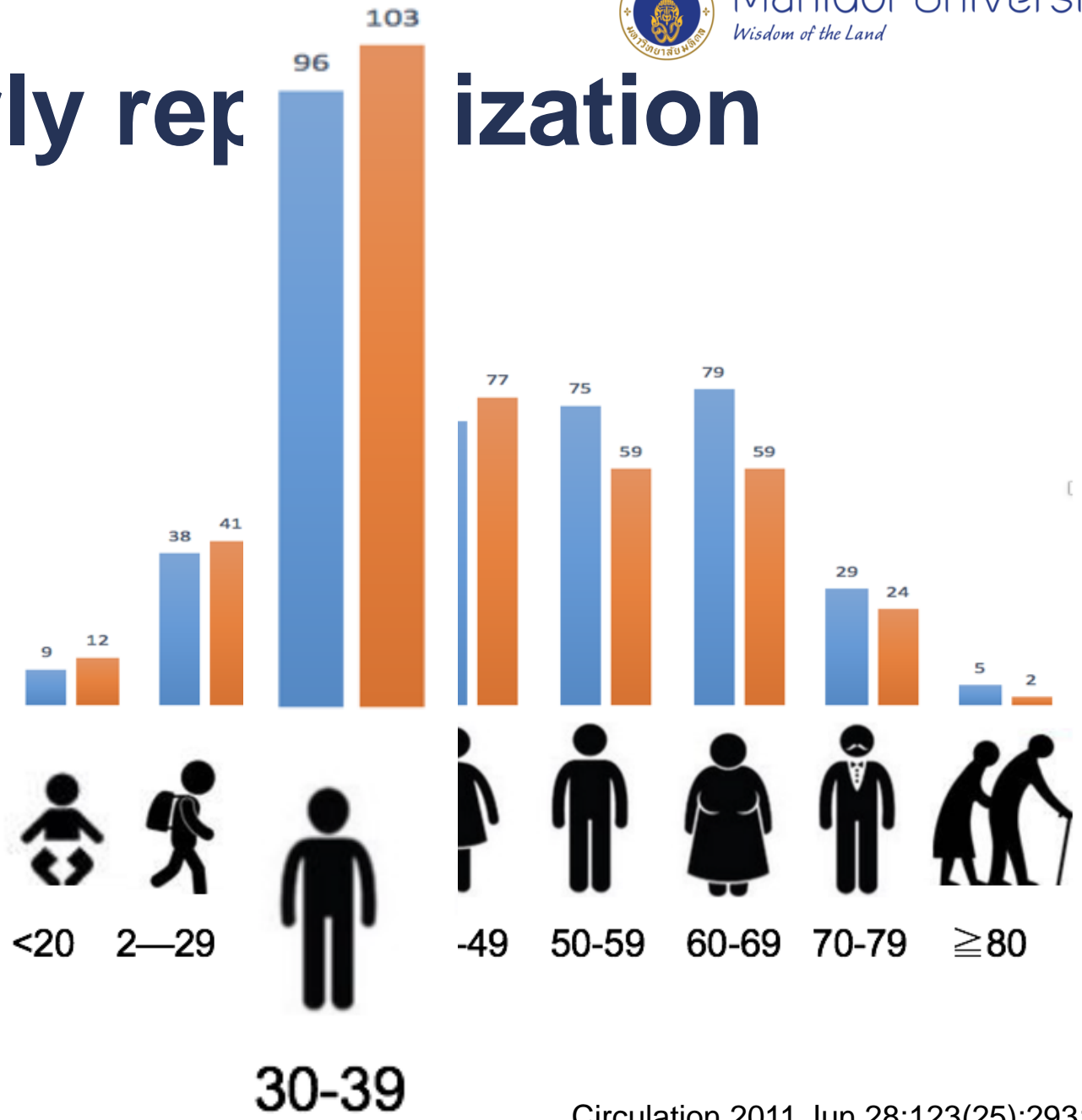
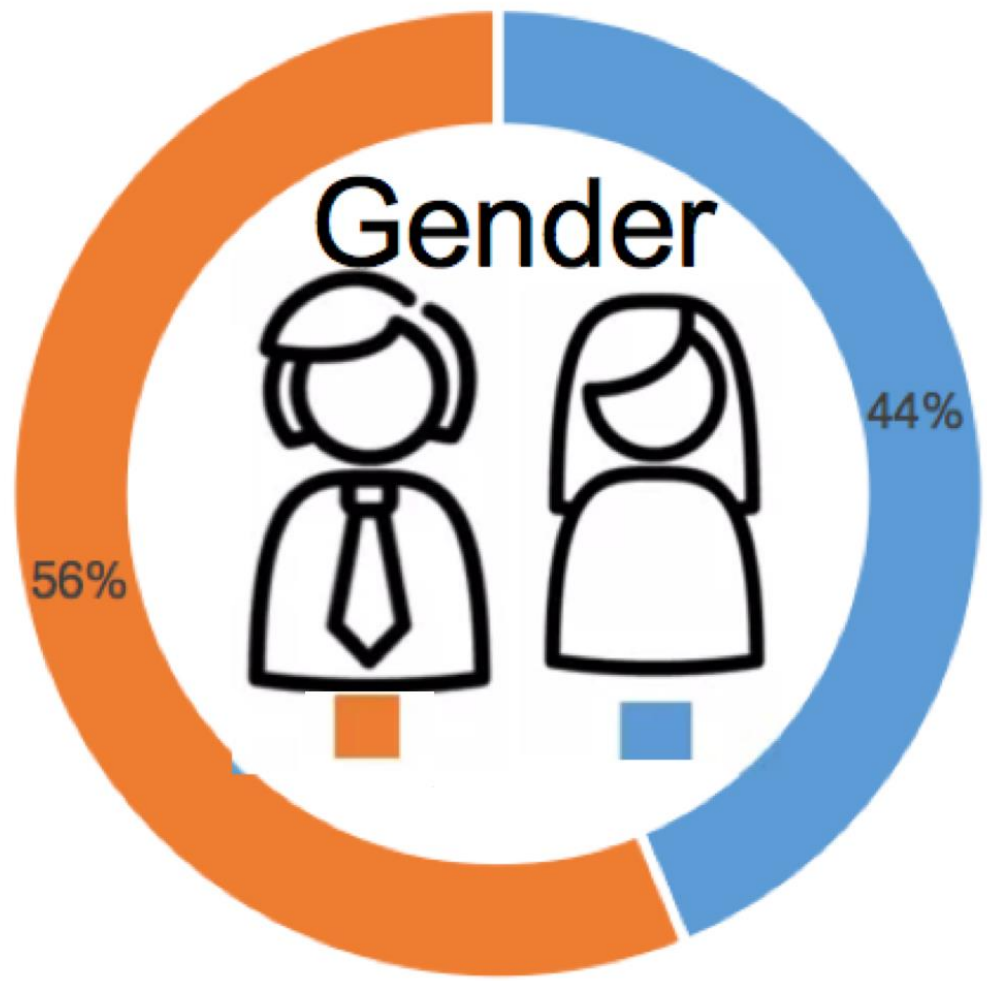


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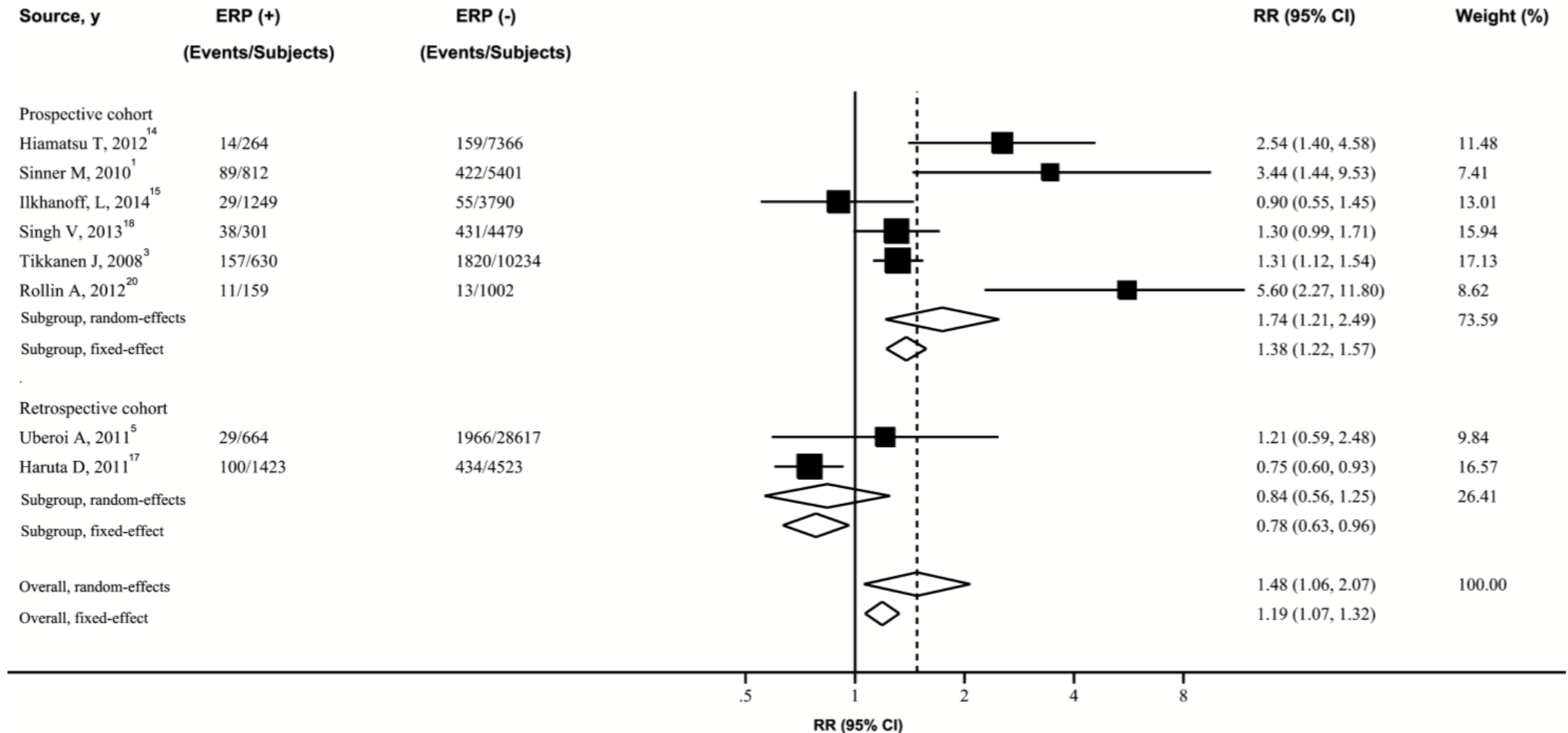


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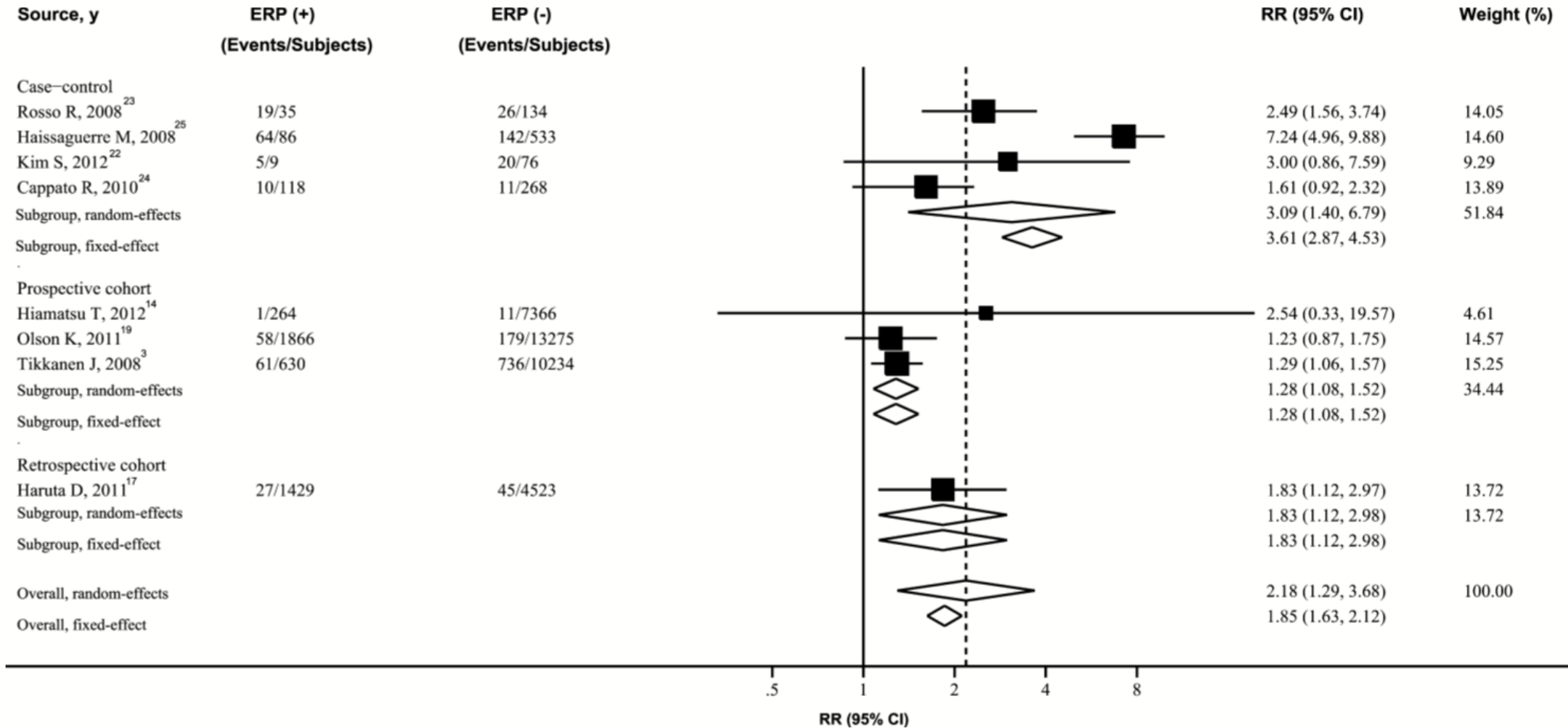


# ERP and cardiac mortality



Forest plot showing relative risk for cardiac death associated with ERP

# ERP and cardiac mortality



Forest plot showing relative risk for SCA associated with ERP



# Primary outcome

- Prevalence of early repolarization in Thai population
- Long term risk of cardiac mortality in Thai population



# Secondary outcome

- Determine the characteristics and potential predictors of malignant ERP in a resting electrocardiogram that increases the cardiac mortality risk a in Thai general population





# Research methodology

- Prospective cohort study



# Inclusion criteria

- Participants of the secondary survey EGAT 1 consists 2,756 age 35–65 years olds who underwent 12 leads standard EKGs



# Exclusion criteria

- Unreadable EKG
- Incomplete baseline characteristic
- Participants who established prior Cardiovascular disease before underwent the EKG



# Material and methods

- All subjects underwent 12 leads standard EKGs with digital filters in supine position and paper speed is 25mm/s
- ECG of each participant was interpreted blindly (without clinical information of the participant and with an anonymous identifier) and random confirmed by Cardiac electrophysiology



# Measurements

**Baseline assessment were record**

**History;** age, sex, educational level, occupation, tobacco smoking, alcohol drinking

**Physical examination;** BP, HR, weight, height and waist and hip circumference

**Laboratory tests;** BS, total cholesterol, LDL, HDL, TG and creatinine



# Material and methods

- Primary endpoints are composed of all-caused of death, 3P-MACE (CV death, nonfatal MI and nonfatal stroke) and sudden cardiac death



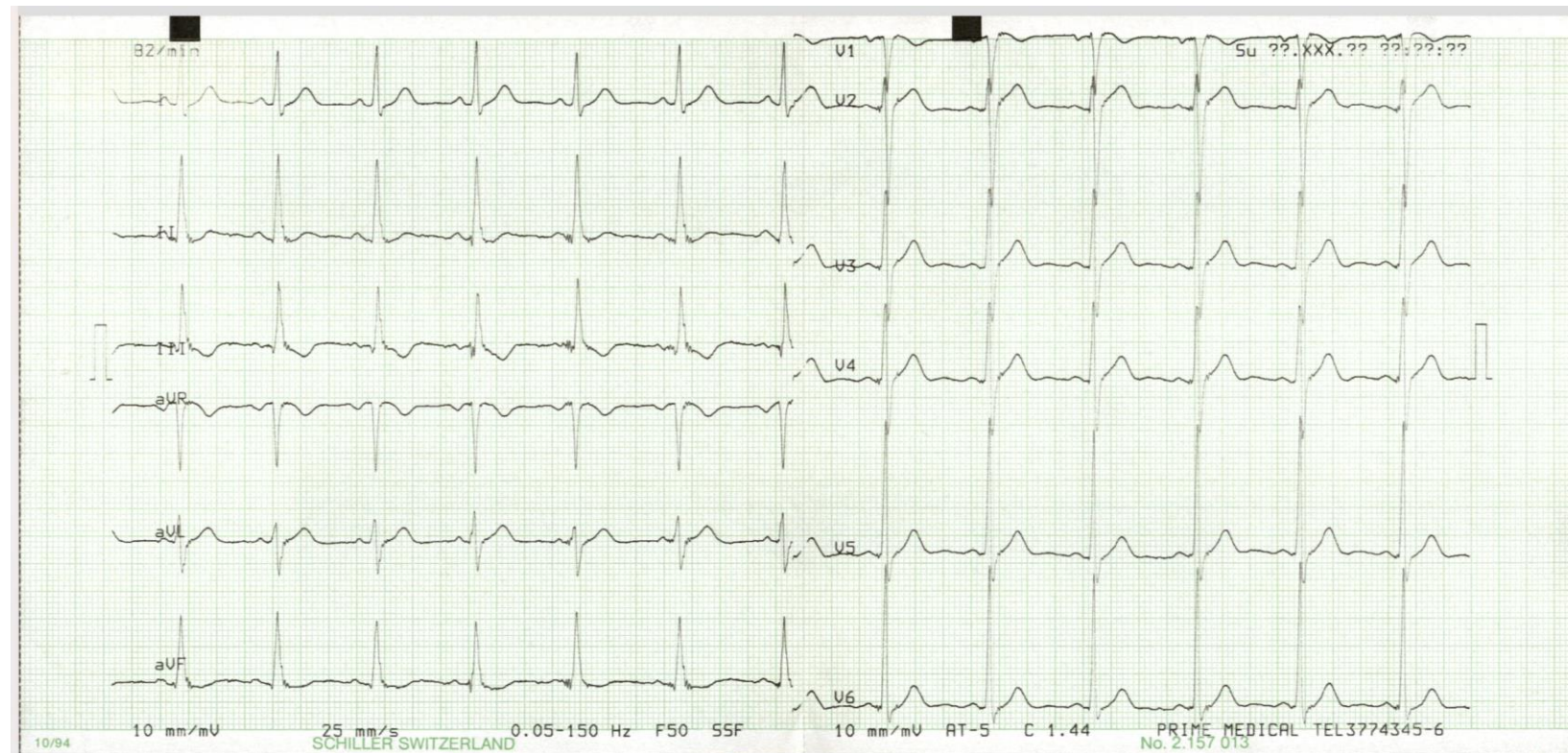


# Material and methods

- Vital status of all participants using national registration system. We collected all of the death certificates from 1997 to 2015.

# Measurements

- Electrocardiography
- A standard resting 12-lead electrocardiogram was obtained for each participant with a digital electrocardiograph with paper speed is 25mm/sec.





# Definition Early repolarization

- ERP was diagnosed if there was J-point elevation of  $\geq 0.1\text{mV}$  in  $\geq 2$  leads in the inferior (II, III, aVF) or lateral (I, aVL, V4-6) territory, or both.(11)
- Terminology

Pattern	Descriptionn
J point	The point where the QRS ends and the ST segment begins.
J-point elevation	An elevation of the J point $\geq 1$ mm above the isoelectric baseline.
Terminal QRS Slurring	An abrupt change in the slope of the last deflection at the end of the QRS.
Terminal QRS notching	Low frequency deflection at the end QRS

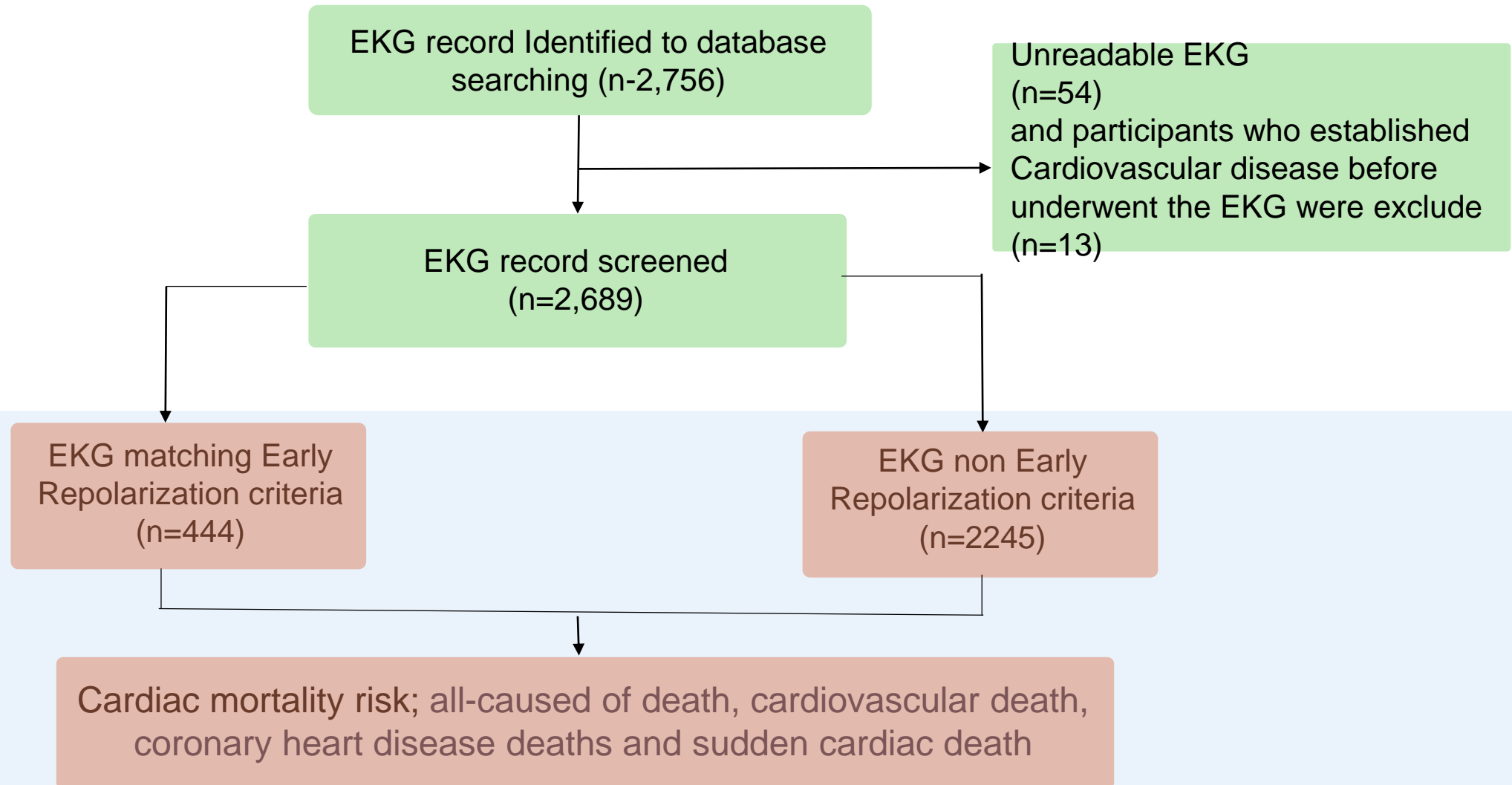


# Statistic

- Continuous variables : Mean  $\pm$  SD , t-test
- Chi-square test.
- Cox-regression hazards models.



# Result





# Results : Baseline characteristic

Characteristic	All patients (N=2,689)	Early repolarization (N=444)	Non Early repolarization (N= 2,245)	P-value
Age-years Mean±SD	55±5.1	54±5.0	54±4.8	0.156
Sex– no (%) male	2,120 (78.8)	355 (80.0)	1,765 (78.6)	0.498
Weight – kg Mean±SD	65±10	65±11	66±16	0.081
Height – cm Mean±SD	162±8	163±7	163±8	0.127
BMI – kg/m <sup>2</sup> Mean±SD	24.7±3.4	24.2±3.3	24.8±3.4	0.001
Waist circumference – cm Mean±SD	87.5±23.6	87.3±9.8	87.8±26.5	0.700
Hip circumference – cm Mean±SD	97.4±23.2	98.0±39.3	97.3±19.7	0.568
Pulse rate – beat/min Mean±SD	79±12	78.7±11	79.2±11	0.382





# Results : Baseline characteristic

Characteristic	All patients (N=2,689)	Early repolarization (N=444)	Non Early repolarization (N= 2,245)	P-value
<b>Systolic blood pressure — mm Hg Mean±SD</b>	135.8±21.5	132.4±20.4	136.8±21.6	<0.001
<b>Diastolic blood pressure — mm Hg Mean±SD</b>	81.6±13.2	79.4√12.3	82.2±13.3	<0.001
<b>Mean arterial blood pressure — mm Hg Mean±SD</b>	99.7±15.0	97.1±14.0	100.4±15.0	<0.001
<b>Hypertension – no (%)</b>	1250 (48.3)	174 (39.5)	1076 (50.1)	<0.001
<b>Hypertension on treatment – no (%)*</b>	421 (16.3)	52(11.8)	369 (17.2)	0.004
<b>Diabetes – no (%)</b>	414 (16.4)	64 (14.6)	350 (16.8)	0.287
<b>Diabetes with Hypertension – no (%)</b>	274 (10.2)	39 (8.8)	235 (10.5)	0.344
<b>Dyslipidemia – no (%)*</b>	963 (35.8)	782 (36.5)	181 (33.2)	0.184



# Results : Baseline characteristic

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>All patients (N=2,689)</b>	<b>Early reperolization (N=444)</b>	<b>Non Early reperolization (N= 2,245)</b>	<b>P-value</b>
<b>Fasting plasma glucose – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	96.0 ± 29.4	96.5±30.1	96.1±29.6	0.769
<b>Postprandial Plasma glucose – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	120.2±48.4	117.2±59.8	120.9±48.7	0.165
<b>Total Cholesterol – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	239.0±41.2	234.2±39.6	239.3±41.5	0.017
<b>HDL- Cholesterol – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	52.75±11.1	53.3±10.8	52.4±11.1	0.133
<b>LDL- Cholesterol – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	155.3±40.1	150.6±39.9	155.4±40.1	0.023
<b>Triglyceride – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	162.37±106.4	159.0±92.3	165.3±111.7	0.270
<b>Creatinine – mg/dL Mean±SD</b>	1.07±0.3	1.07±0.4	1.08±0.4	0.541



# Results : Baseline characteristic

Characteristic	All patients (N=2,689)	Early repolarization (N=444)	Non Early repolarization (N= 2,245)	P-value
<b>GFR1997:CKD-EPI</b> equation – ml/min*1.73m <sup>2</sup> * Median				0.049
Normal or increase GFR≥90 no(%)	1728 (49.6)	270 (64.0)	1296 (65.4)	
Mildly decreased 60-89 no(%)	339 (9.7)	50 (11.8)	269 (13.6)	
Moderately decreased 30-59 no(%)	8 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	6 (0.3)	
Severely decreased 15-29 no(%)	3 (0.1)	1 (0.2)	1 (0.3)	
Renal failure <15 no(%)				
<b>Smoking – no (%)</b>	622 (23.5)	122 (28.5)	496 (22.5)	0.080
<b>Alcohol 1997 – no 735()(%)</b>	945 (35.9)	171 (39.0)	774 (35.3)	0.156



# Results : Pattern ERP EKG and sudden cardiac death

- Prevalence of early repolarization according to J-wave morphology

	Any morphology (n=2,689)		Slurring (n=444)		Notching (n=444)		Slurring and notching (n=444)	
	subject	percent	subject	percent	subject	percent	subject	percent
<b>ERP</b>	444	16.5	241	54.3	170	38.3	33	7.4

- Prevalence of early repolarization according to ER localization

	Any localization (n=2,689)		Inferior (n=444)		Lateral (n=444)		Inferior and Lateral (n=444)	
	subject	percent	subject	percent	subject	percent	subject	percent
<b>ERP</b>	444	16.5	221	49.8	158	35.6	65	14.6



# Results : Baseline characteristic

<b>Causes of death</b>	<b>Early repolarization (N=91)</b>	<b>Non-early repolarization (N= 475)</b>
Sepsis	3 (3.3%)	25 (5.3%)
Traffic accident	5 (5.5%)	33 (6.9%)
Malignancy	37 (40.7%)	143 (30.1%)
cardiac events		
Acute myocardial infarction	16 (17.6%)	96 (20.2%)
Cardiomyopathy	0 (0%)	2 (0.2%)
Arrhythmias	0 (0%)	1 (0.3%)
Heart failure	1 (1.0%)	17 (3.5%)
Sudden cardiac death	6 (6.6%)	27 (5.7%)
Metabolic/Renal failure	3 (3.3%)	7 (1.5%)
Neurovascular	4 (4.4%)	33 (6.9%)
COPD/Lung disease	6 (6.6%)	35 (7.4%)
GI bleeding/Cirrhosis	2 (2.2%)	27 (5.7%)
Unknown	8 (8.8%)	29 (6.1%)



# Results : Sudden cardiac death and ERP

Cause of death	Early repolarization		total	P-value
	No	Yes		
Sudden cardiac death	27(1.2)	6 (1.4)	33	0.813
total	2248	441	2689	





# Results : Univariate analyses of potential newly observed cardiac events

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Hazard ratio</b>	<b>95% confidence interval</b>	<b>P value</b>
Early repolarization and All-cause mortality	1.04	0.81-1.34	0.750
Early repolarization and CHD	1.06	0.71-1.56	0.790
Early repolarization and CVS	1.03	0.75-1.41	0.872
Early repolarization and sudden cardiac death	1.05	0.40-2.78	0.915

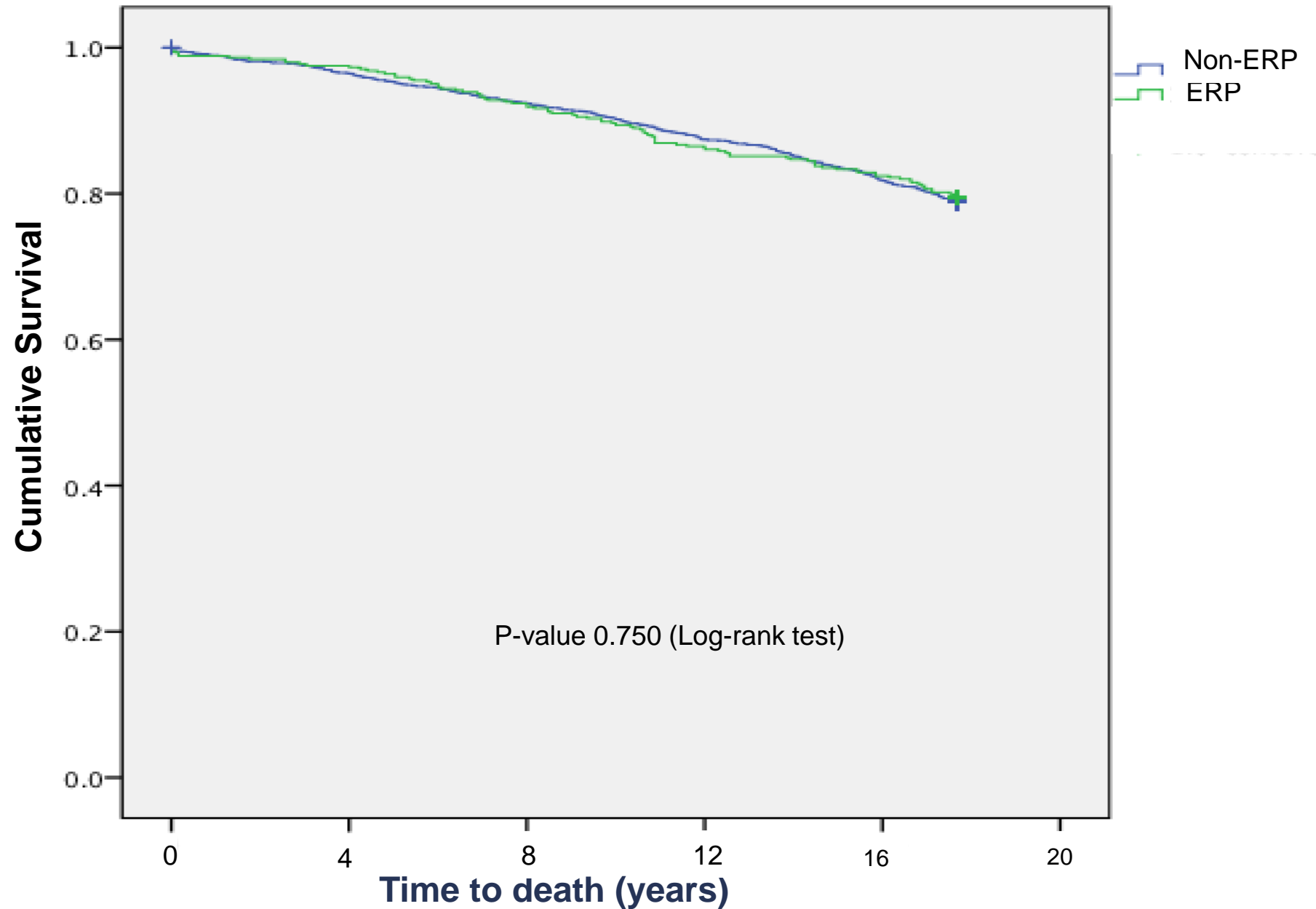


# Results : Multivariate age and sex-Adjusted analyses of potential newly observed cardiac events

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Hazard ratio</b>	<b>95% confidence interval</b>	<b>P value</b>
Early repolarization and All-cause mortality	1.09	0.83-1.43	0.536
Early repolarization and CHD	1.13	0.75-1.71	0.563
Early repolarization and CVS	1.12	0.80-1.57	0.516
Early repolarization and sudden cardiac death	1.42	0.57-3.56	0.452

# Results all-caused

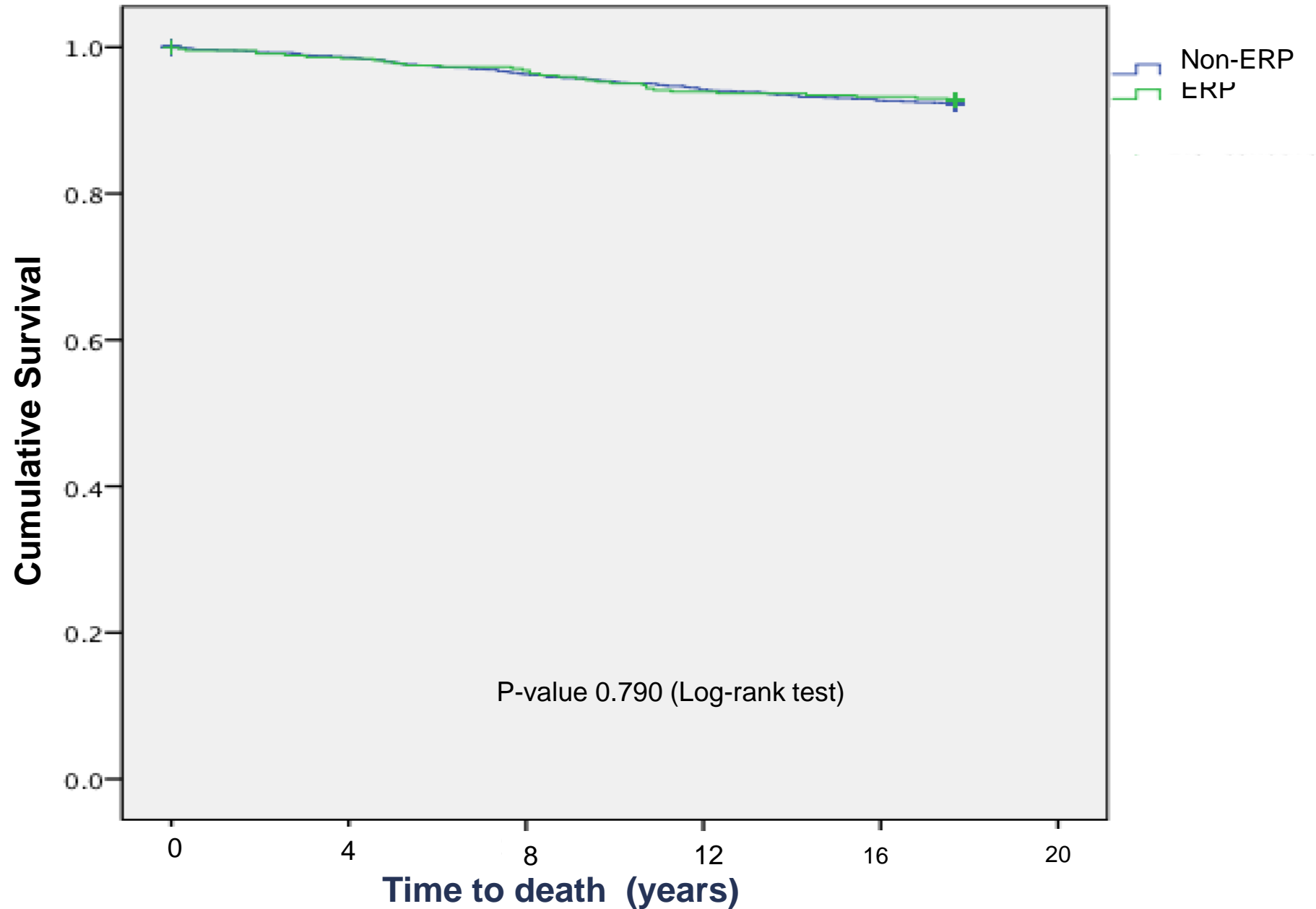
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# Results

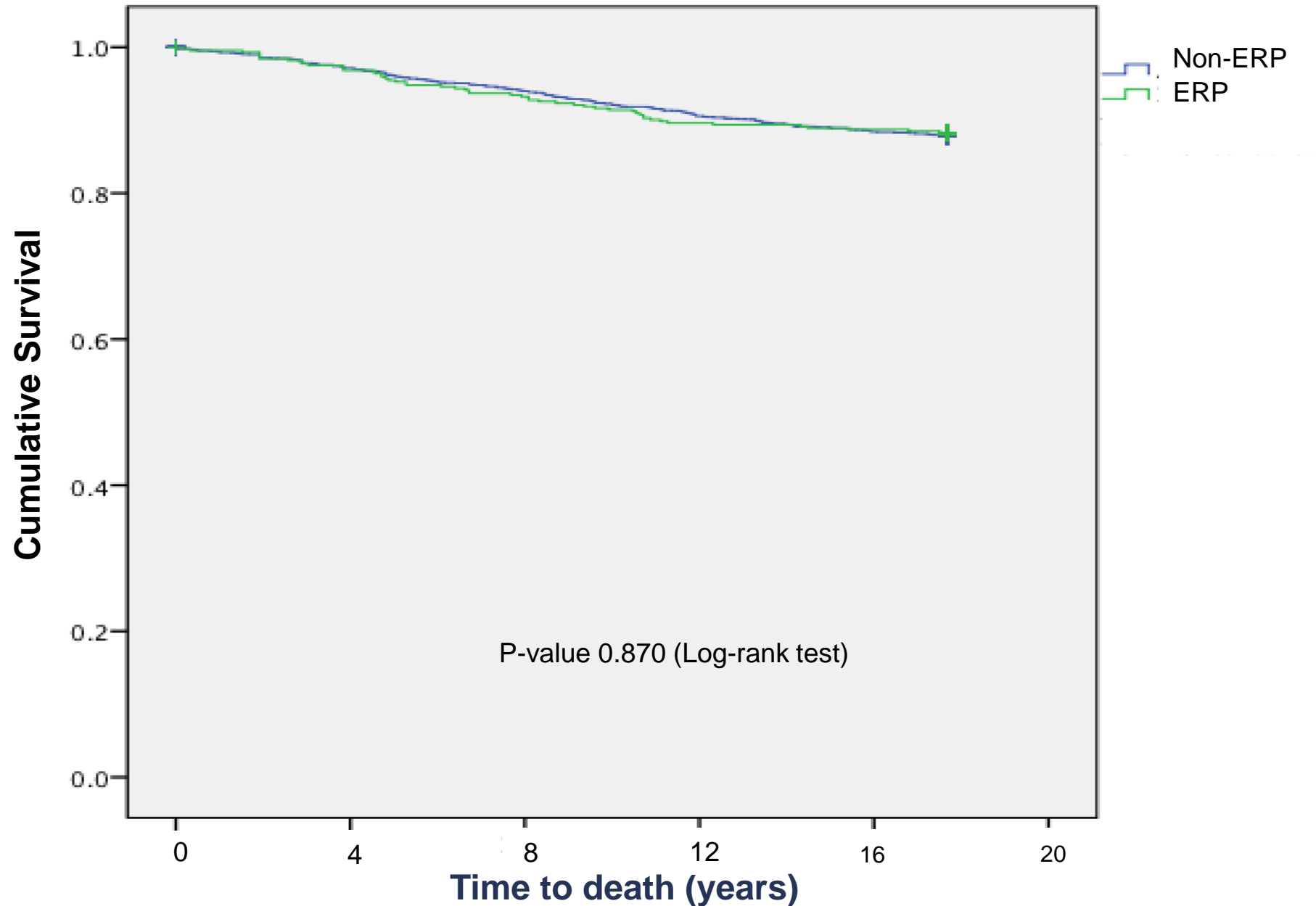
## CHD

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# Results CVS

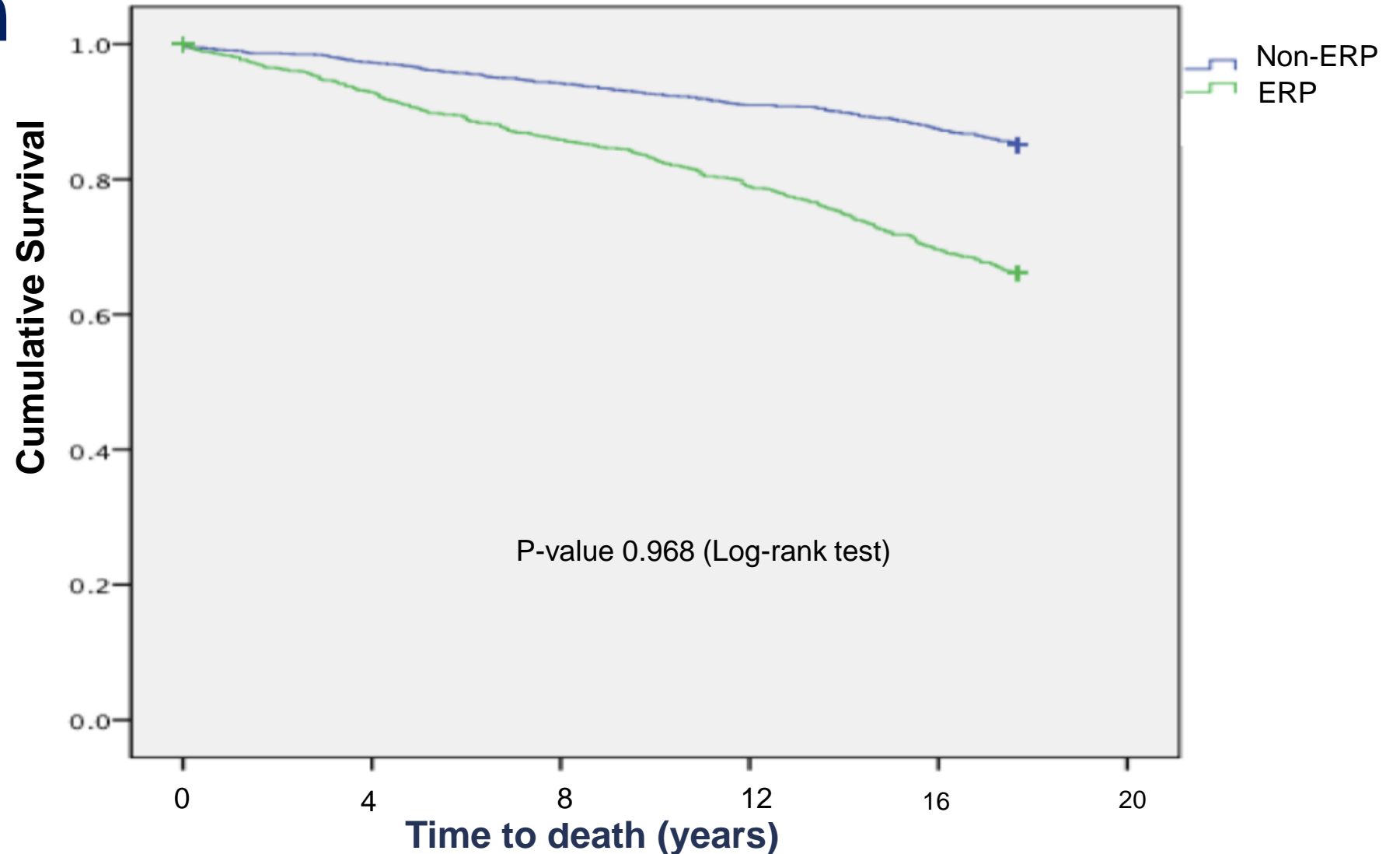
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# Results

## all-caused mortality in population $\leq 55$ years old

Kaplan–Meier curves showed non-significant trend of decreased survival from all-cause mortality in population  $\leq 55$  years old with early repolarization pattern compared with non-early repolarization pattern.





# Conclusion

- The prevalence of ERP in Thai population was higher when compared to other countries in Asia.
- ERP in middle aged populations do not predict the occurrence of cardiac death
- Our study supports previous reports that ERP was significantly associated with an increased risk of all-causes mortality in the young population. ERP in the younger population may increased risk of coronary heart disease, cardiovascular disease, and SCD.



## Strength

- Long term follow up 18 years cohort study collected resting surface EKG 97 % and nearly 100% in vital status and disease adjudication

## Limitation

- Population worker cohort may not represent entire general population due to healthy worker effect.
- We will not be able to note the influence of ERP outside the age range of 47 to 66 years and more studies will be required to clear up the impact of ERP in younger individuals.





**Thank you**



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