

# PreSERVE-AMI: A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo Controlled Clinical Trial of Intracoronary Infusion of Autologous CD34+ Cells (NBS10) in Patients with Left Ventricular Dysfunction Post STEMI

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# Background

- **>2600 AMI patients have received intracoronary Infusion of Bone Marrow MNC (BMNC) Post AMI and have had significant improvements in:**<sup>1</sup>
  - Modest improvement in ejection fraction (EF 3 to 4%)
  - Reduction in infarct size and end-systolic volume
  - Reduction in MACE (recurrent AMI, new onset CHF and death)
- **Significant Improvement in cardiac function and reduction in MACE dependent on:**<sup>2,3</sup>
  - Infusion of BMNC 5 or more days post STEMI
  - IRA infusion of higher numbers of CD34+ cells.

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# CD34<sup>+</sup> cell infusion after ST elevation myocardial infarction is associated with improved perfusion and is dose dependent

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- Phase I study
- Patients: Randomized to autologous bone marrow harvest (n=16) or placebo (n=15).
- CD34<sup>+</sup> cells infused intracoronary at a median of 8.3 days after coronary stenting for STEMI
- 3 dose levels (5, 10 and 15 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells)

**The phase I study provided initial evidence of feasibility and safety and suggested a threshold dose of 10 million CD34 cells for bioactivity**



# PreSERVE Study Design

Phase II, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled

Safety and Efficacy Trial of CD34 cells (NBS10) following Acute STEMI

- NBS10 is a formulation of autologous CD34+ cells which enhances and preserves functional CXCR4 expression
- 160 subjects randomized 1:1 to receive intracoronary autologous CD34+ cells (NBS10) or matching placebo (cell diluent) 6 and 11 days after stent placement



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# PreSERVE: Eligibility

## INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Acute ST elevation myocardial infarction.
- Stenting within 3 days of chest pain
- LVEF  $\leq 48\%$  by CMR or  $\leq 45\%$  by SPECT after 4 days
- Wall motion abnormality associated with the target lesion
- NYHA heart failure class I, II or III.

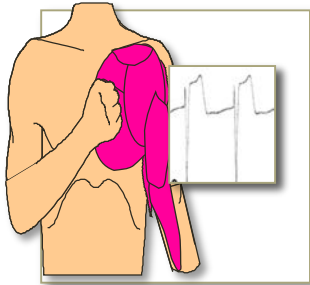
## EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- STEMI  $> 4$  days before stenting.
- Cardiogenic shock
- Severe aortic stenosis.
- Re-occlusion of the infarct related artery (IRA) prior to the infusion.
- Planned revascularization during the next 6 months.



# PreSERVE: Study Protocol

1. Patient presents with chest pain + STEMI



Day 1

2. Stenting and usual medical Rx



Day 1 - 3

3. Enrolled if EF  $\leq$  48%  
CMR



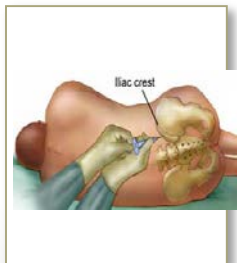
Day 4

4. Patient randomized to Treatment or Control



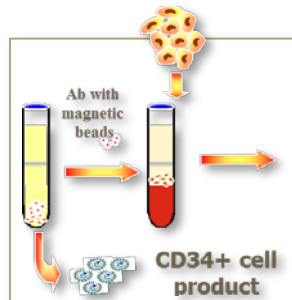
Day 4

5. Patient Bone Marrow Harvested



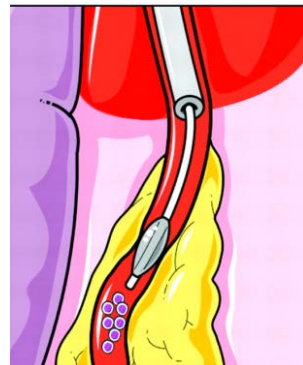
Day 4-9

6. CD34<sup>+</sup>CXCR4<sup>+</sup> immunomagnetic separation



Day 5-10

7. Intracoronary injection: CD34+ Cells/Placebo



Day 6-11

8. MACE and Cardiac function measures by SPECT MPI, CMR

- SAE, MACE
- RTSS
- LVEF

6 Months

9. MACE

- Mortality
- AMI
- Admission for CHF
- Vascular events

12, 18, 24, 36 Months





# PreSERVE-AMI

## Enrollment

Screened (N = 281)

- Patients with STEMI and successful stent placement
- LVEF  $\leq$  48% by CMR or  $\leq$  45% by SPECT measured  $\geq$  4 days after stent

Screen Failure (n = 86)

Randomized (n=195)

## Allocation

CD34+ cells (NBS10; n = 100)

Placebo (n= 95)

Did not undergo BM harvest (n = 11)  
Death (n=2); Withdrawal (n=6);  
Screen Failure (n=2); AE (n=1)

## Bone Marrow Harvest and Infusion

Underwent BM Harvest (n = 96)  
CD34+ cells infusion (n = 78)

Underwent BM harvest (n = 88)  
Placebo infusion (n = 83)

Post-harvest, no infusion; n=23  
Cell product did not meet  
release criteria (n=16);  
AE (n=6); Withdrawal (n=1)

## Follow-up (6 months efficacy, 3 years safety)

## Analysis

Intent-to-Treat (n=100)  
Modified Intent-to-Treat (n=78)  
Per Protocol (n=75)

Intent-to-Treat (n=95)  
Modified Intent-to-Treat (n=83)  
Per Protocol (n=81)



# Study Endpoints

- **Primary Endpoints**

- MACE (cardiac death, recurrent MI, heart failure hospitalization, coronary revascularization) through 3 year follow-up
- Serious Adverse Events (SAEs) through 3 year follow-up
- 6 month change in myocardial perfusion (RTSS) measured quantitatively by gated SPECT MPI

- **Secondary Endpoint**

- 6 month change in left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF)



# Baseline Characteristics

	Treated NBS10 (N=78)	Placebo (N=83)	P-value*
<b>Demographics</b>			
Age; mean ± SD	57.1 ± 10.1	56.4 ± 10.1	0.65
Female; n (%)	12 (15%)	17 (20%)	0.4
Race; White, n (%)	56 (72%)	62 (75%)	0.87
<b>CV Risk Factors</b>			
Hypertension (%)	53 (68%)	56 (67%)	0.80
Diabetes (%)	27 (35%)	19 (23%)	0.1
Hyperlipidemia (%)	13 (17%)	17 (20%)	0.82
NYHA Class*; mean ± SD	1.8 ± 0.6	1.9 ± 0.7	0.59
<b>CV Medical History</b>			
Prior CABG; n(%)	2 (3%)	2 (2%)	0.95
Prior PCI; n(%)	15 (19%)	15 (18%)	0.85
Prior CHF; n(%)	11 (14%)	11 (13%)	0.88
Prior MI; n(%)	13 (17%)	15 (18%)	0.34
<b>Index AMI/PCI</b>			
Infarct size (grams); mean ± SD	33.8 ± 17.4	38.6 ± 19.5	0.16
Pre-discharge LVEF (%); mean ± SD	34.3 ± 7.3	34.1 ± 8.4	0.90
LVEDV index; mean ± SD	98.0 ± 25.6	91.9 ± 20.8	0.12
LVESV index; mean ± SD	61.2 ± 23.6	58.5 ± 19.9	0.46
<b>Time from symptoms to stent (min); mean ± SD</b>	<b>931 ± 1277</b>	<b>569 ± 864</b>	<b>0.041</b>
Time from stent to infusion (days); mean ± SD	9.3 ± 1.23	9.4 ± 1.43	0.60

\*P-values for quantitative characteristics are based on a t-test. P-values for categorical characteristics are based on a Chi-square test.



# PreSERVE-AMI: Bone Marrow Aspiration and Cell Product

- Bone marrow aspirated:  $388 \pm 18$  ml
- CD34+ cell yield: Range 20 to 100 million
- CD34+ cells infused: mean  $14.9 \pm 8$  (range 8 to 40) million



# Overall Safety

## Bone Marrow Harvest and Infusion

<i>Harvest (n=184)</i>	Treated	Placebo	Total	P-value*
<b>Serious Adverse Event</b>	5 (5.2%)	3 (3.4%)	8 (4.3%)	0.42

<i>Infusion (n=161)</i>	Treated	Placebo	Total	P-value*
<b>Serious Adverse Event</b>	7 (9%)	7 (8%)	14 (9%)	0.90

\*P-value reflects a chi-square test



# Primary Endpoint: Adverse Events

Follow-up period  
(median 12 months)

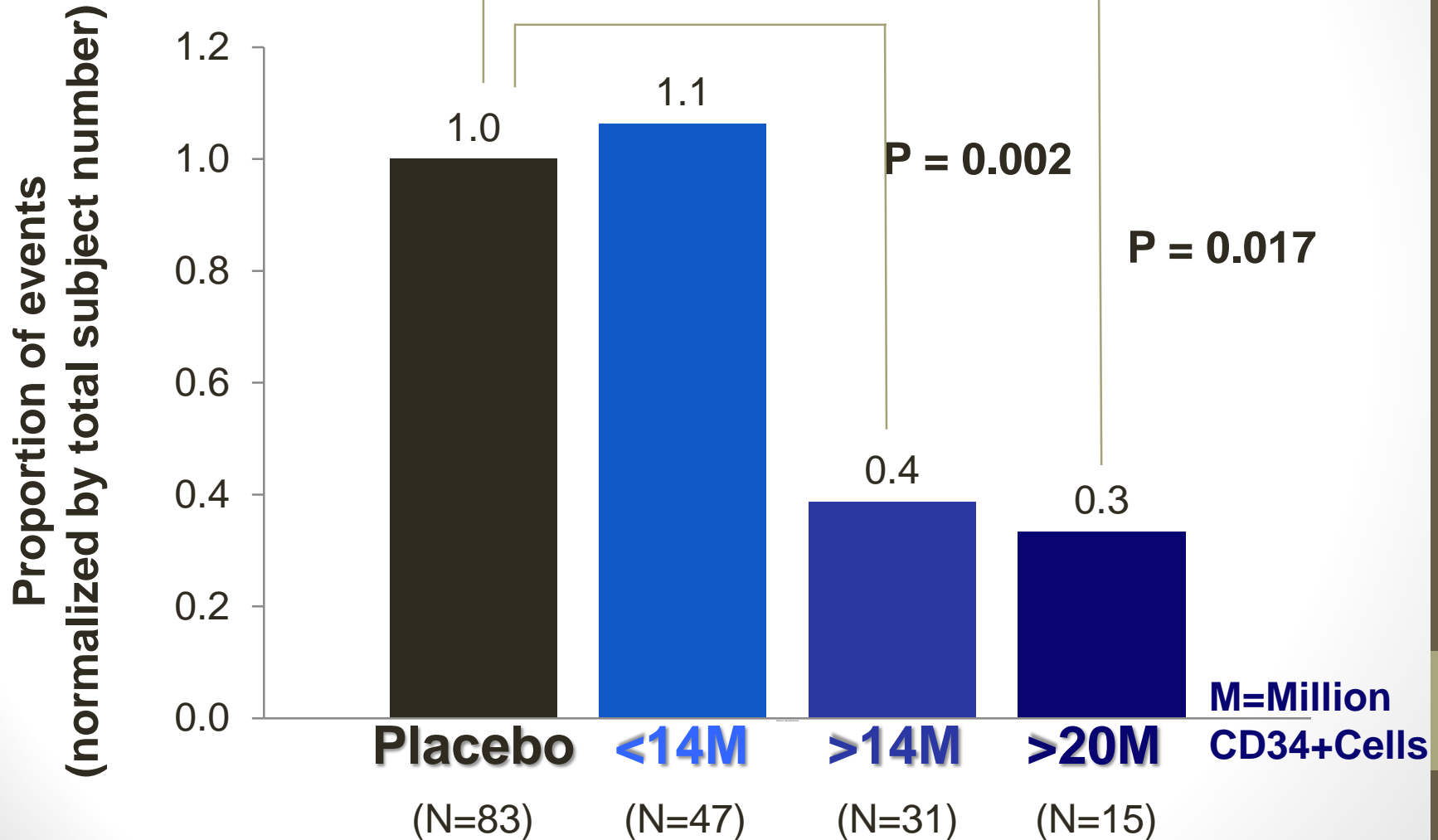
	<b>Treated (N=78)</b>	<b>Placebo (N=83)</b>	<b>Total (N=161)</b>	<b>P-value*</b>
<b>Adverse Event</b>	49 (63%)	53 (64%)	102 (63%)	0.89
<b>Serious Adverse Event</b>	28 (36%)	30 (36%)	58 (36%)	0.97

\*P-value reflects a chi-square test



# Primary Endpoint: Serious Adverse Events CD34+ Cell Dose-Dependent Reduction

## Total Serious Adverse Events



P-values comparing groups of NBS 10 treated subjects to placebo subjects is based on a Poisson regression model



# Mortality and Overall MACE

MACE= Death, MI, CHF Hospitalization, Revascularization

Infusion through last follow-up visit

	Placebo	Treated (NBS10)	p-value*
Death	3 (3.6%)	0 (%)	0.04
Total MACE	14 (16.9%)	15 (19.2%)	0.66

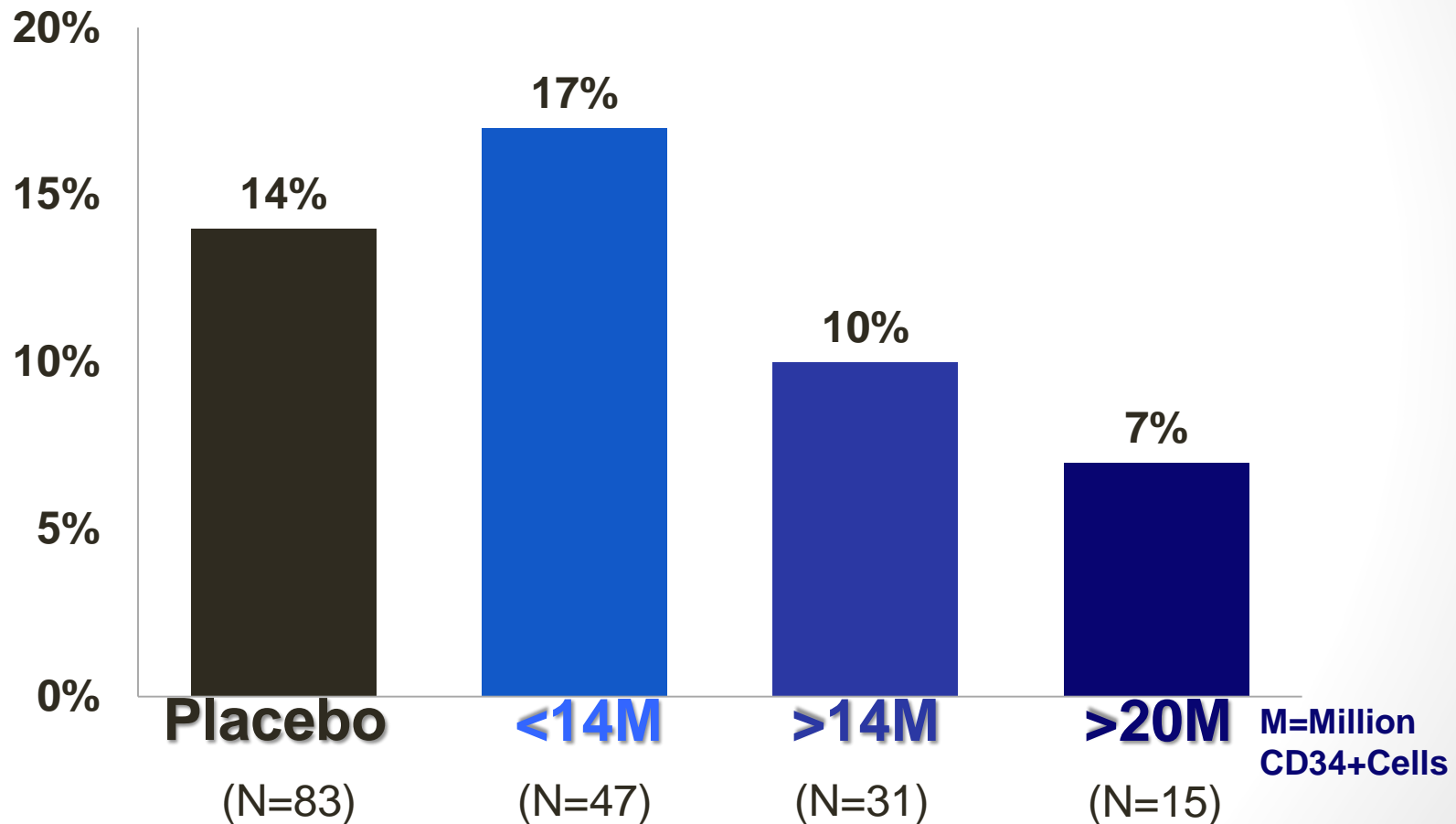
Subjects with MACE through 6 month follow up of last patient; P-value reflects a z-test \*\*P-value reflects a z-test of the null hypothesis of no difference in mean number of total events against the alternative that treatment group subjects experience fewer total events on average compared to controls.





# CD34+ Cell Dose-Dependent Reduction in MACE Incidence

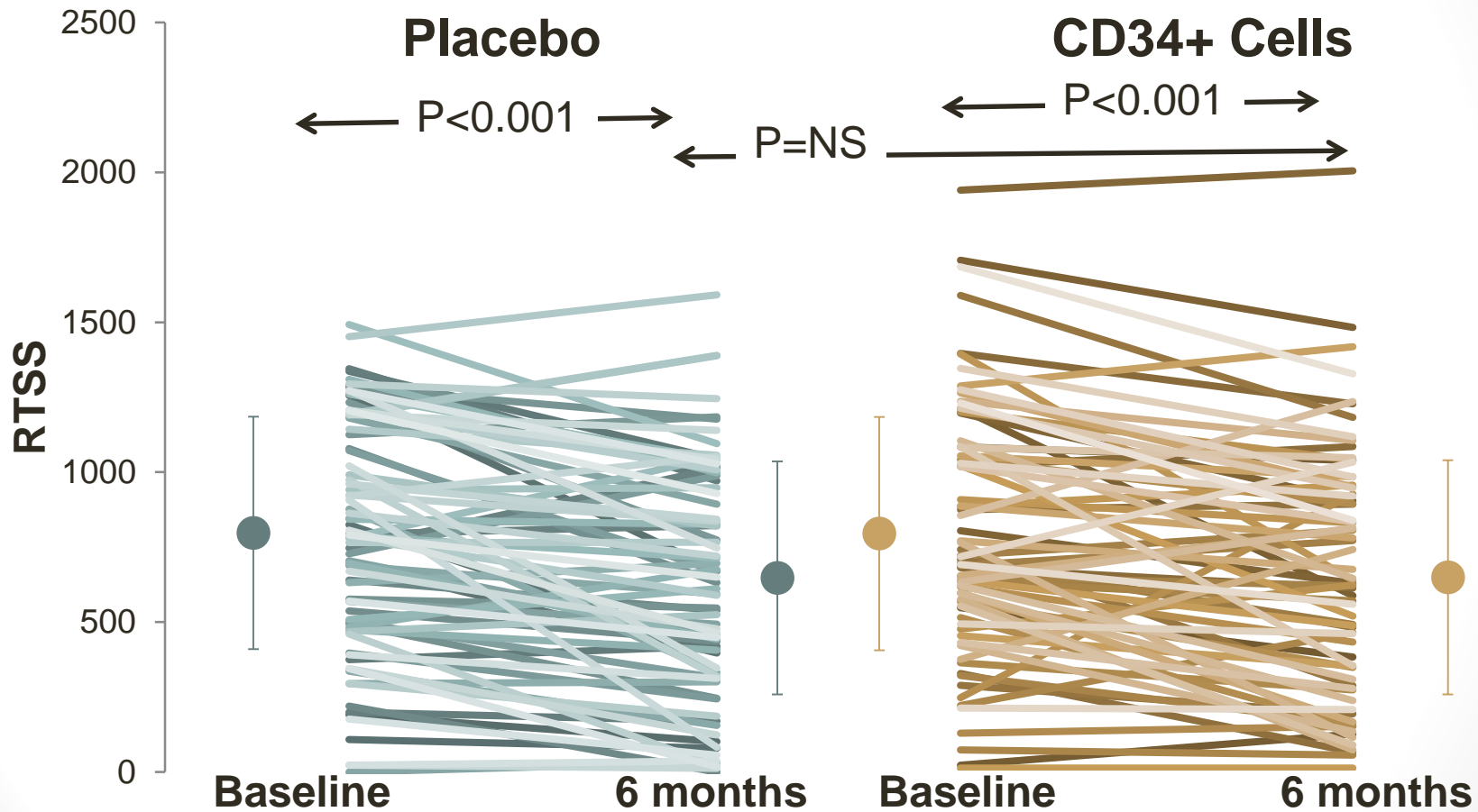
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1 week post-infusion through last f/u visit.



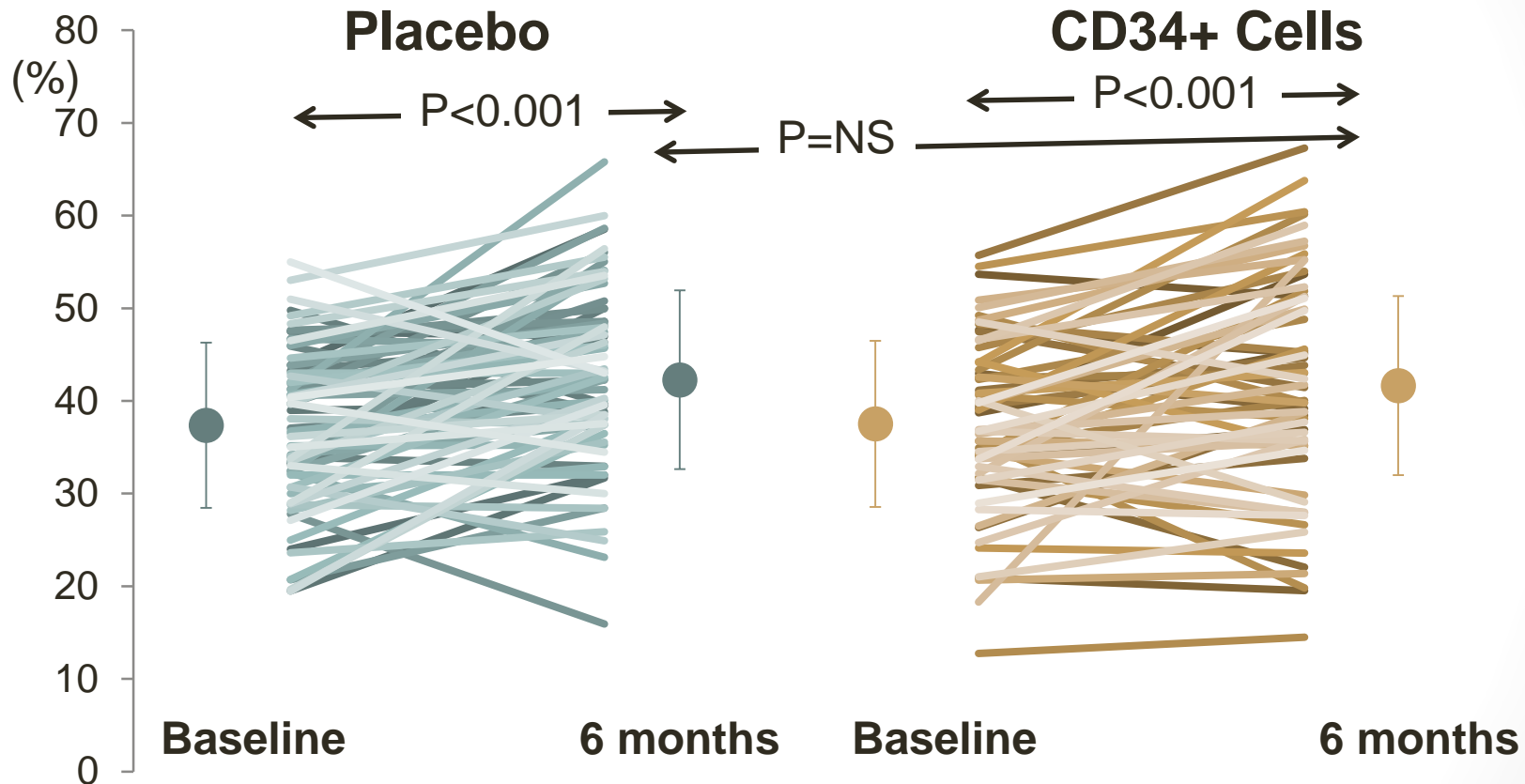
# Perfusion: SPECT Resting Total Severity Score (RTSS)



	Placebo	CD34+ cells	P Value
RTSS Mean Change from Baseline ( $\pm$ SD)	-149.6 $\pm$ 221.16	-142.7 $\pm$ 257.80	NS



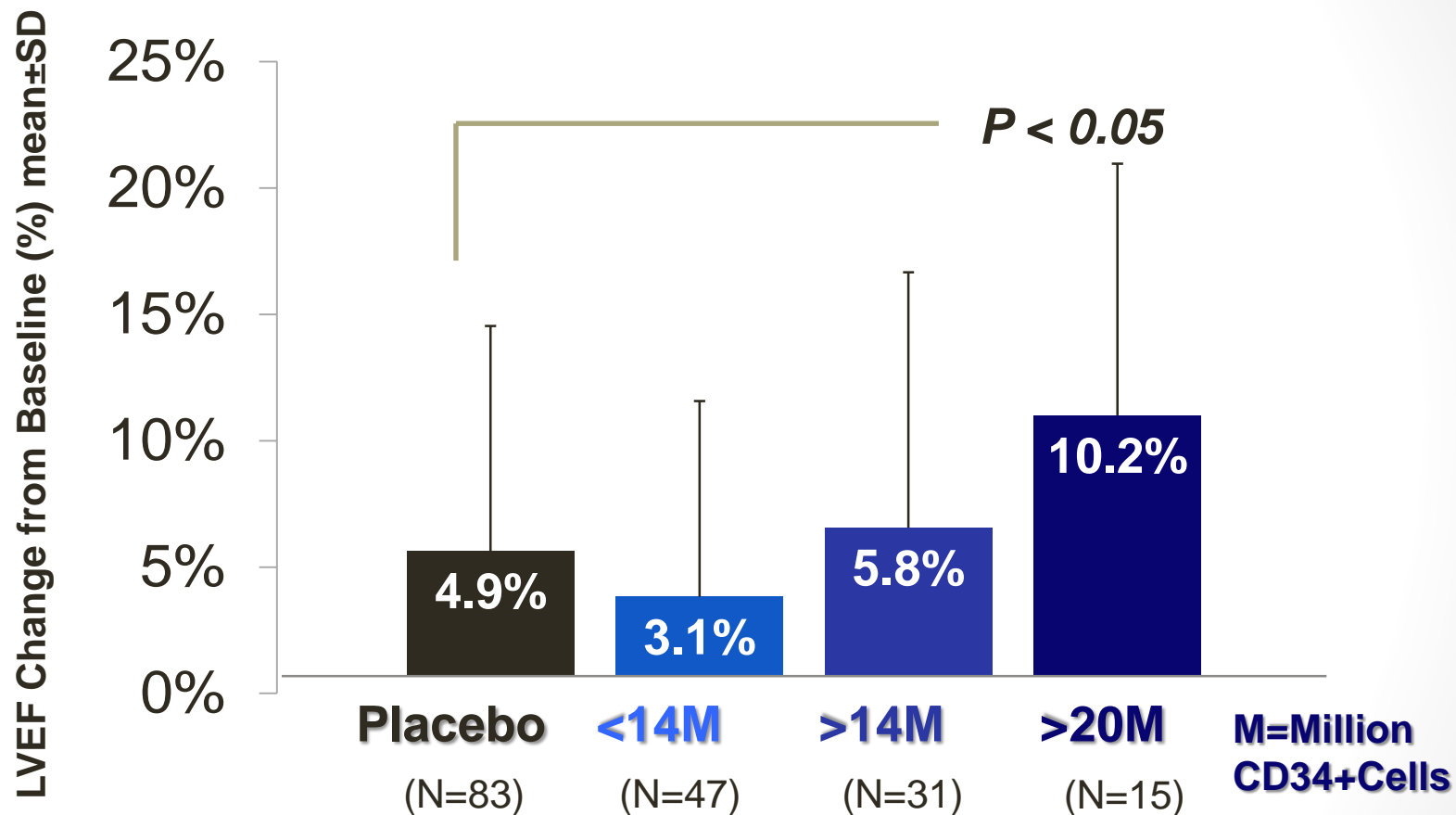
# Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction



	Placebo	CD34+ cells	P Value
LVEF Mean Change from Baseline ( $\pm$ SD)	4.9 $\pm$ 8.8	4.1 $\pm$ 8.7	NS



# CD34+ Cell Dose-Dependent Increase in LVEF Change from Baseline



*Multiple regression model with change in LVEF modeled as a function of time from pain to stent and infused CD34+ cell dose.*

Parameter	Parameter Estimate (SE)*	P-Value*
Infused CD34+ Dose**	2.21 (1.084)	<b>0.045</b>



# Conclusions

- Intracoronary administration of autologous CD34+ cells (NBS10) is
  - Safe and well tolerated
  - Associated with a statistically significant reduction in mortality
  - Associated with a statistically significant, dose-dependent reduction in SAE's
  - A dose dependent numerical reduction in MACE events
  - Associated with no change in myocardial perfusion
  - Associated with a statistically significant dose-dependent increase in LVEF



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