

## Quality of life in 9985 patients following aortic valve replacement: One-year results from the German Aortic Valve Registry

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*on behalf of GARY*

- **Design:**

Prospective, controlled, multicenter registry

- **Inclusion:**

All consecutive patients undergoing an invasive therapy for acquired aortic valve disease

- **Exclusion:**

No informed consent by the patient

## Support

German Society for Thoracic Cardiovasc. Surg. (DGTHG)  
German Cardiac Society (DGK)  
German Heart Foundation (DHS)

## Data management

BQS – Institute for Quality & Patient Safety

## Sponsorship

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Direct Flow

### EQ-5 Dimensions – 3 Level

#### Mobility

- I have no problems in walking about
- I have some problems in walking about
- I am confined to bed

- no complains
- mild complains
- severe complains

#### Self-Care

- I have no problems with self-care
- I have some problems washing or dressing myself
- I am unable to wash or dress myself

#### Usual Activities (e.g. work, study, housework, family or leisure activities)

- I have no problems with performing my usual activities
- I have some problems with performing my usual activities
- I am unable to perform my usual activities

#### Pain/Discomfort

- I have no pain or discomfort
- I have moderate pain or discomfort
- I have extreme pain or discomfort

#### Anxiety/Depression

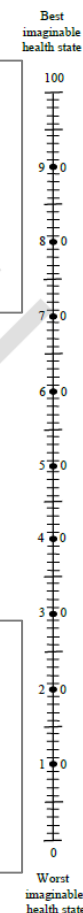
- I am not anxious or depressed
- I am moderately anxious or depressed
- I am extremely anxious or depressed

### Visual analogue scale (VAS)

**Best  
imaginable  
health status  
= 100%**

**Your own  
health state  
today**

**Worst  
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### Pre-OP – 1-Year-FU

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Worst  
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health state

53 cardiac surgery units

**14220** included Patients  
01/01/2011– 31/12/2011

n = 360 Ross /David OP

n = 3875 TAVI  
(TV and TA)

6523 P (AVR)

3462 P (AVR+CABG)

438 P died

115 P denied FuP

986 P  $\nabla$  compl. EQ-5D

395 P died

73 P denied FuP

524 P  $\nabla$  compl. EQ-5D

EQ-5D completed  
Pre- & 1 Year FuP

**4984** AVR

**2470** AVR &  
CABG

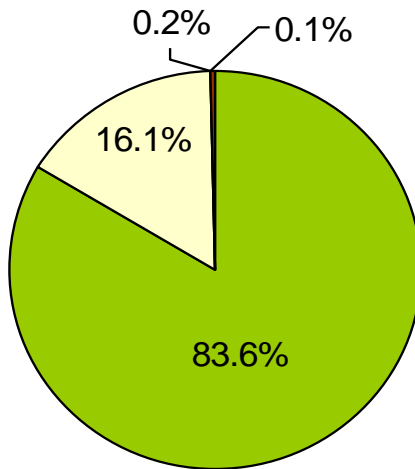
# Preoperative patient characteristics

	AVR n = 4984	AVR & CABG n = 2470	P-Value
Age [years] Mean $\pm$ SD	68.2 $\pm$ 11.0	72.3 $\pm$ 7.9	< 0.001
Age $\geq$ 75	32.2%	43.8%	< 0.001
Female	38.4%	26.4 %	< 0.001
CAD	18.4%	97.6%	< 0.001
Previous cardiac Surgery	8.5%	6.1%	< 0.001
Pulmonary hypertension	9.8%	9.7%	0.868
Diabetes (insulin dependent)	7.9%	11.6%	< 0.001
Atrial fibrillation	14.8%	13.8%	0.264
COPD requir. medication	5.9%	6.5%	0.356
EF [%] > 50 30-50 < 30	77.6% 19.7% 2.7%	68.9% 26.7% 4.4%	< 0.001

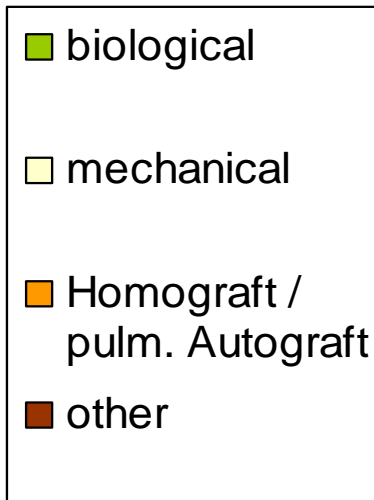
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Active endocarditis	2.7%	1.4%	< 0.001
Peripheral arterial vascular disease	4.0%	11.2%	< 0.001
AÖF [cm <sup>2</sup> ] Mean ± SD	0.86 ± 0.67	0.85 ± 0.51	< 0.001
Pmean [mmHg] Mean ± SD	44.5 ± 19.6	41.7 ± 17.4	< 0.001
Pmax [mmHg] Mean ± SD	70.3 ± 29.5	66.2 ± 26.1	< 0.001
MI ≥ 2°	13.9%	13.4%	0.561
Log ES Mean ± SD	8.2 ± 8.9	10.1 ± 9.7	< 0.001
German AV Score Mean ± SD	2.2 ± 2.8	2.7 ± 3.4	< 0.001

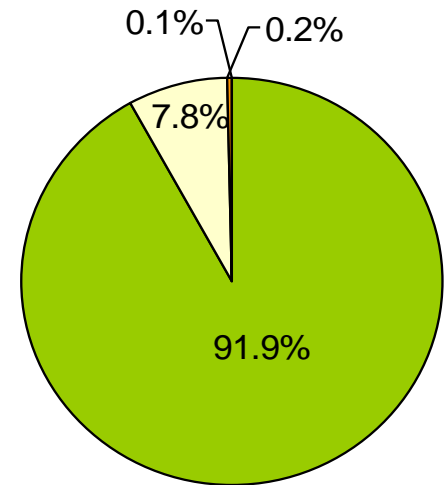




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## Surgical AVR

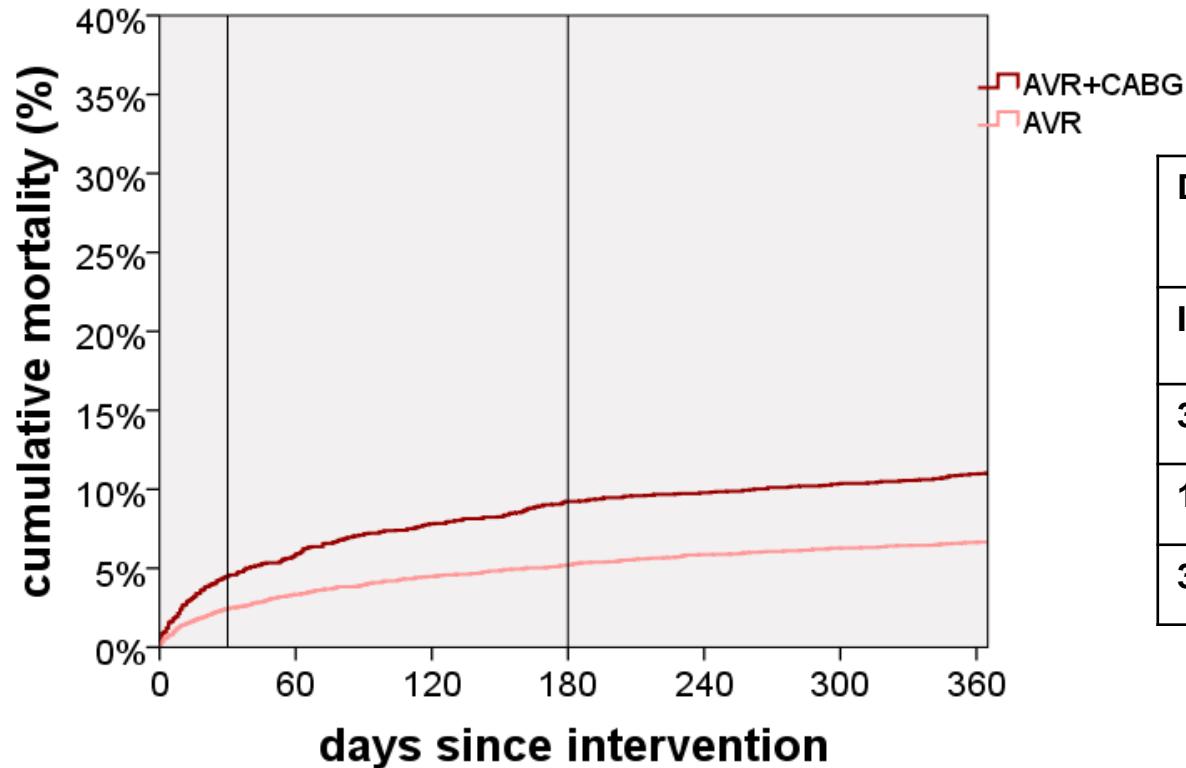


AVR &amp; CABG

# Postoperative patient characteristics

	AVR n = 4984	AVR & CABG n = 2470	P-Value
TIA	0.9%	1.5%	0.022
Stroke	1.0%	1.4%	0.136
Myocardial infarction	0.3%	0.3%	0.821
New onset Afib	5.4%	5.6%	0.727
New onset pace-maker / aicd implant.	4.4%	3.9%	0.345
Dialysis (new onset)			0.427
temporary	1.9%	2.2%	
chronic	0.1%	0.2%	
PostOP In-hospital stay [days] Mean ± SD	11.8 ±7.2	12.7 ±8.3	< 0.001
PostOP Intensive care [days] Mean ± SD	3.2 ±5.2	4.2 ±6.2	< 0.001

# Kaplan-Meier Time-to-Event Curve



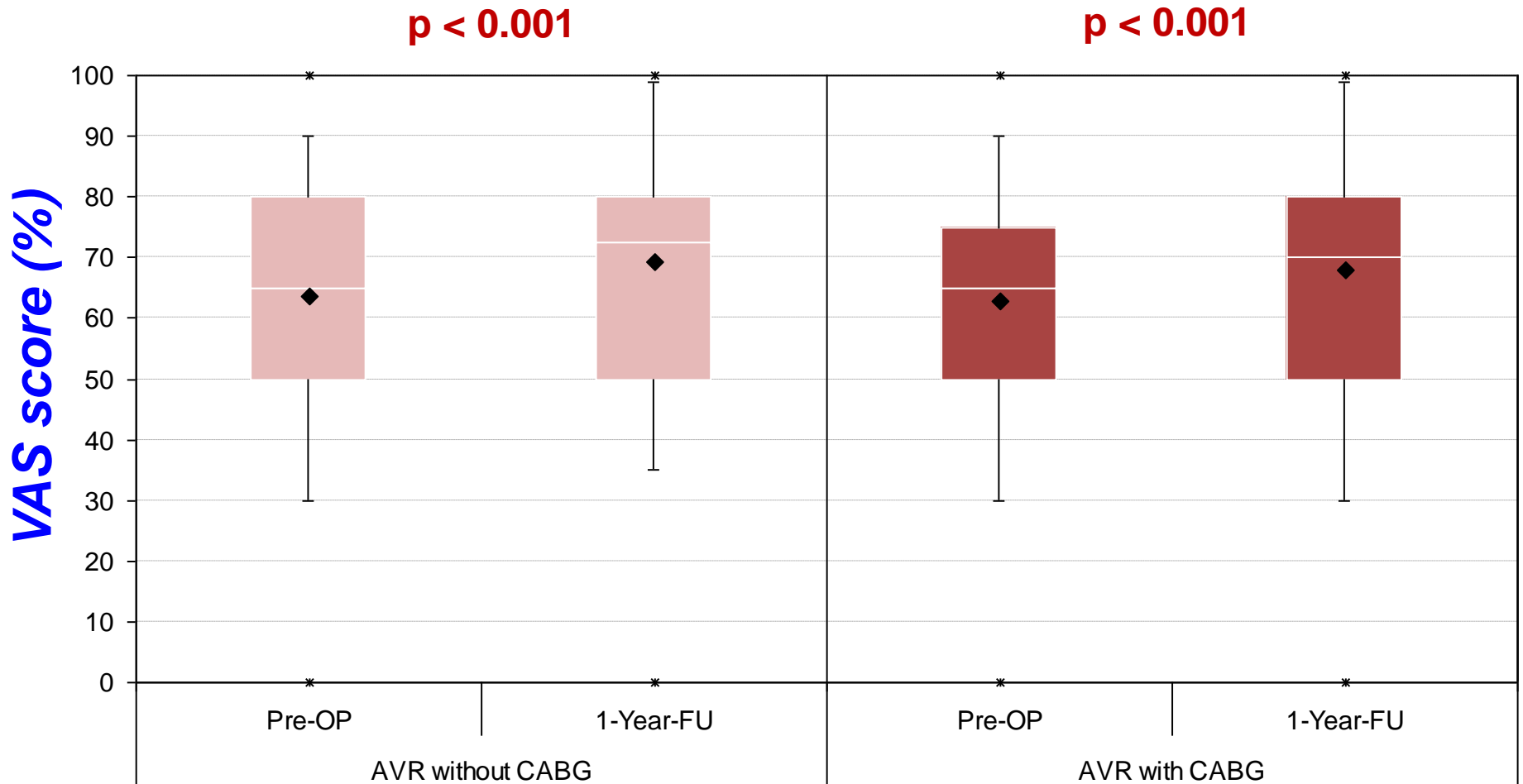
Death	AVR	AVR + CABG
In-Hospital	2.1%	4.5%
30 Days	2.4%	4.5%
180 Days	5.2%	9.2%
365 Days	6.7%	11.0%

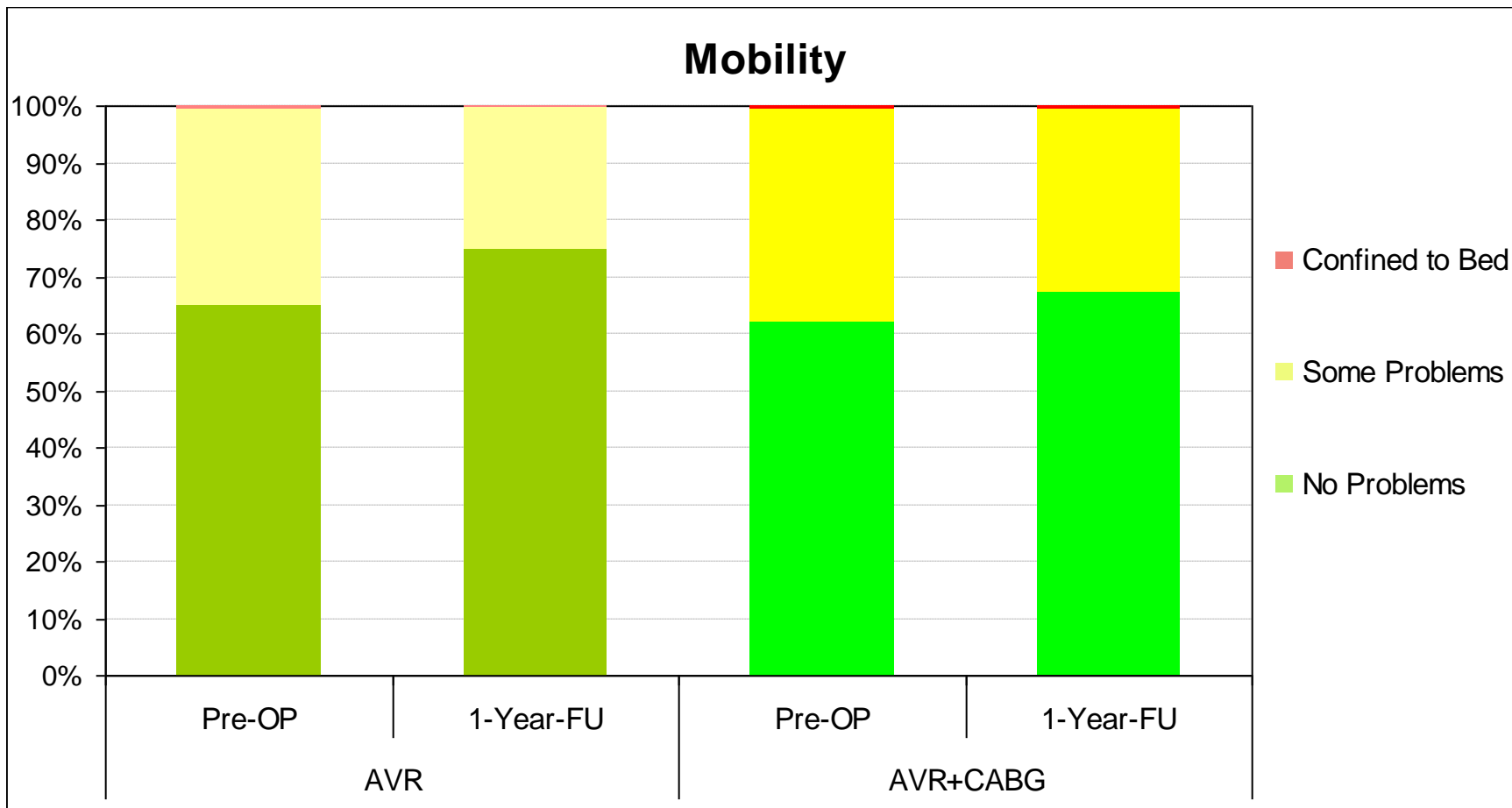
Cum.Events No. at Risk	Day 0	Day 30	Day 180	Day 365
AVR	12 6523	158 6346	337 6089	430 5982
AVR+CABG	12 3462	157 3293	316 3079	377 3016

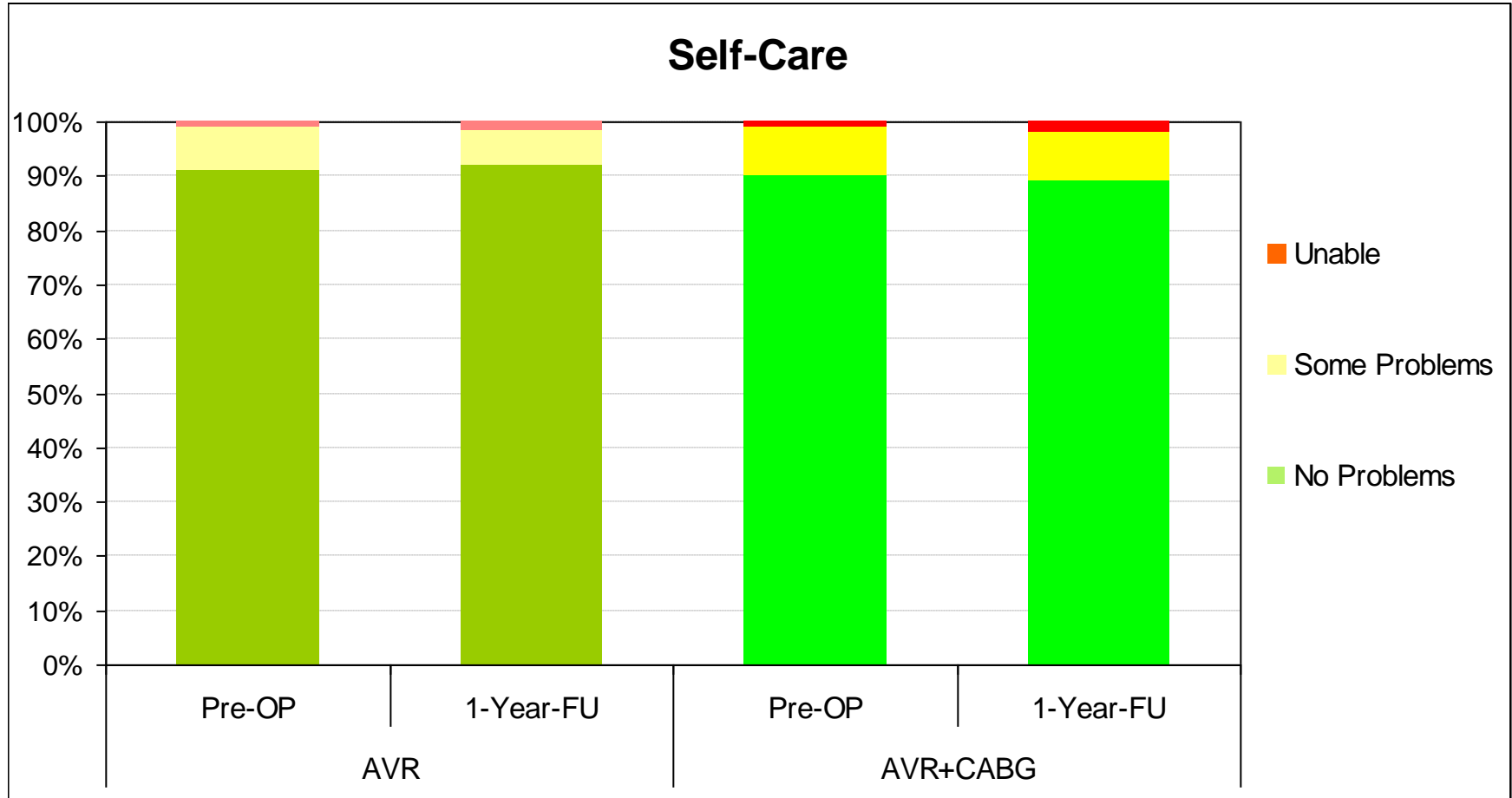
log-rank test  
p-value: < 0.001

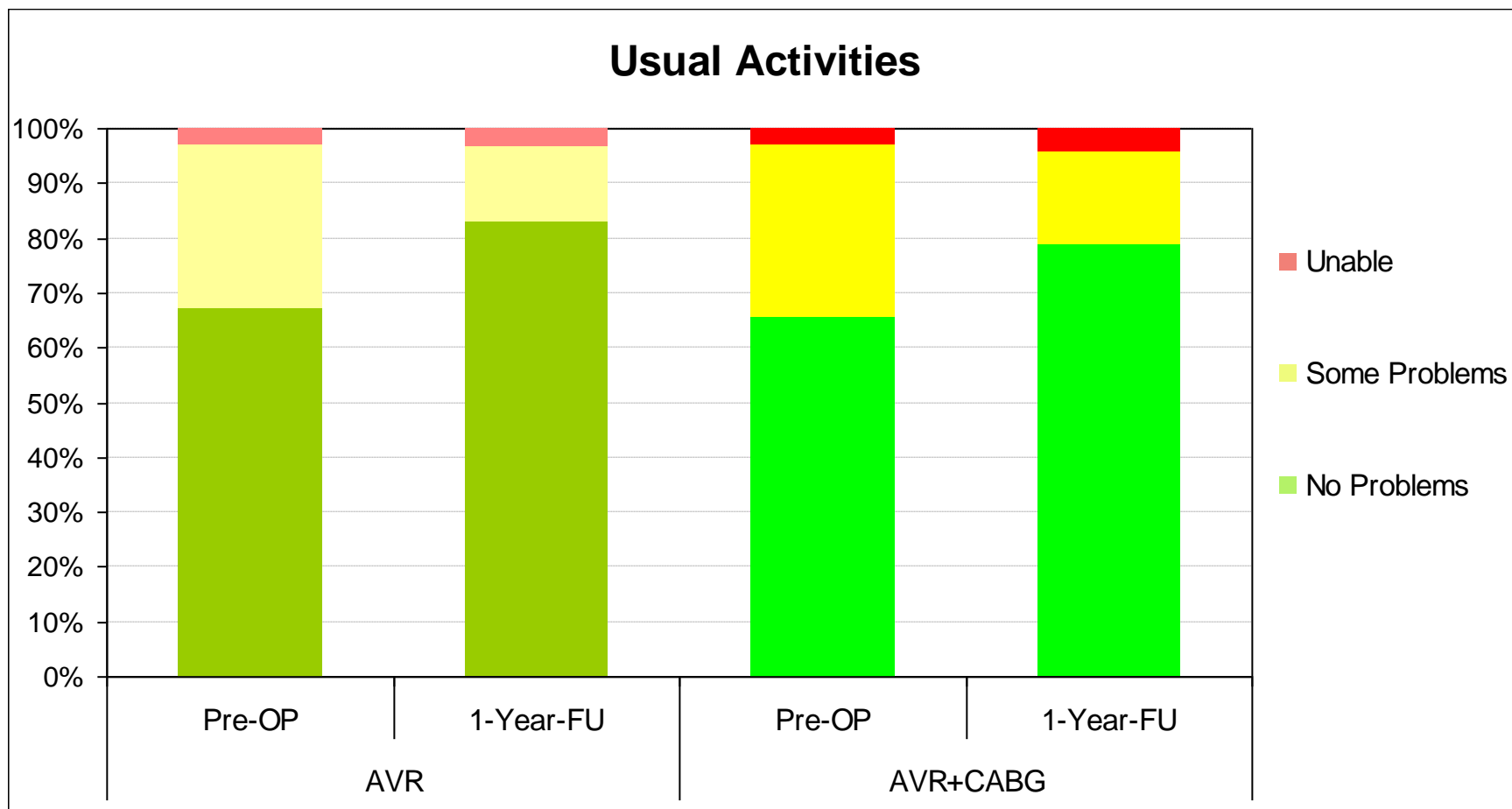
# VAS Score

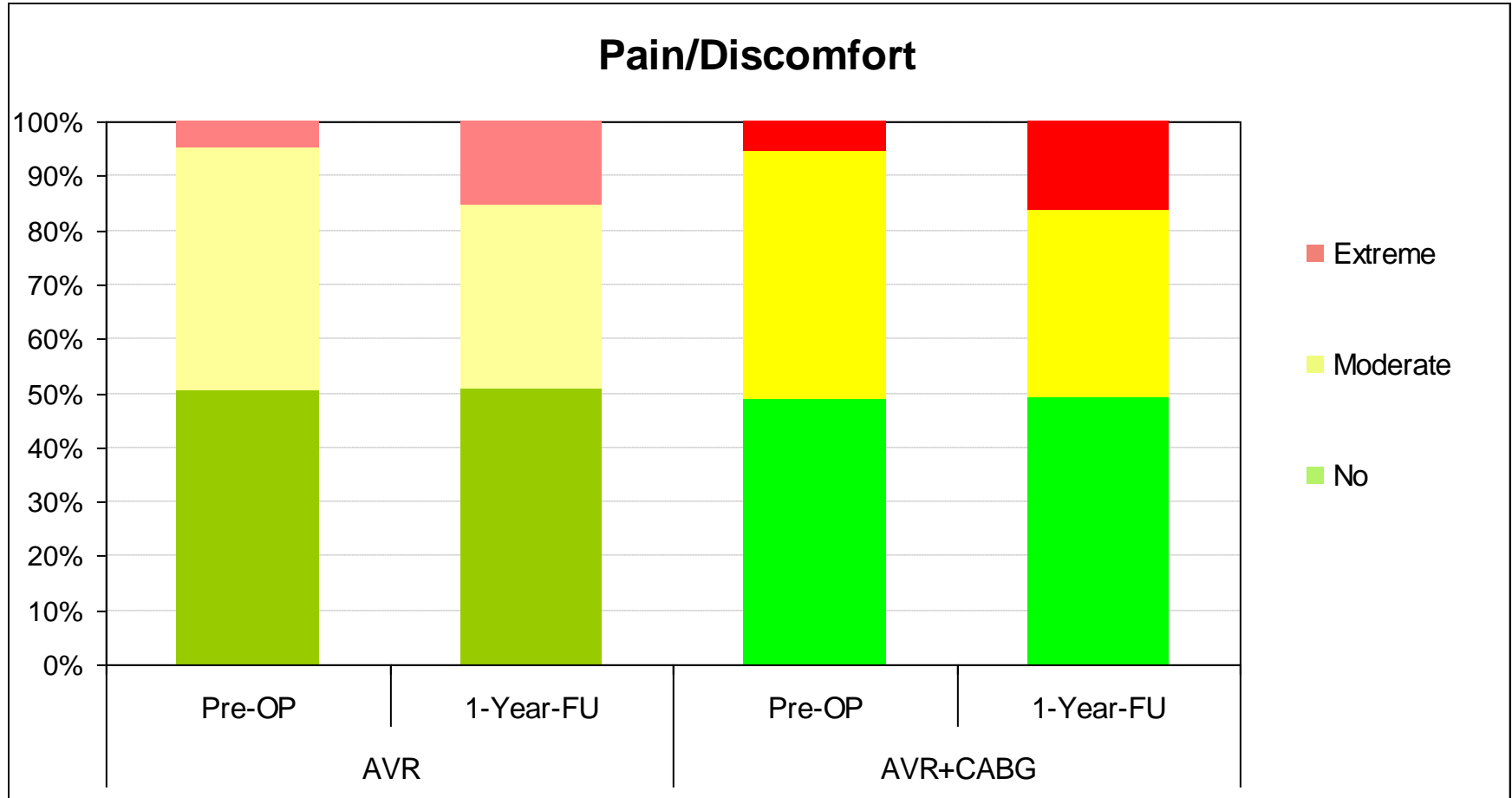
## Comparison: pre-OP → 1-year-Follow Up



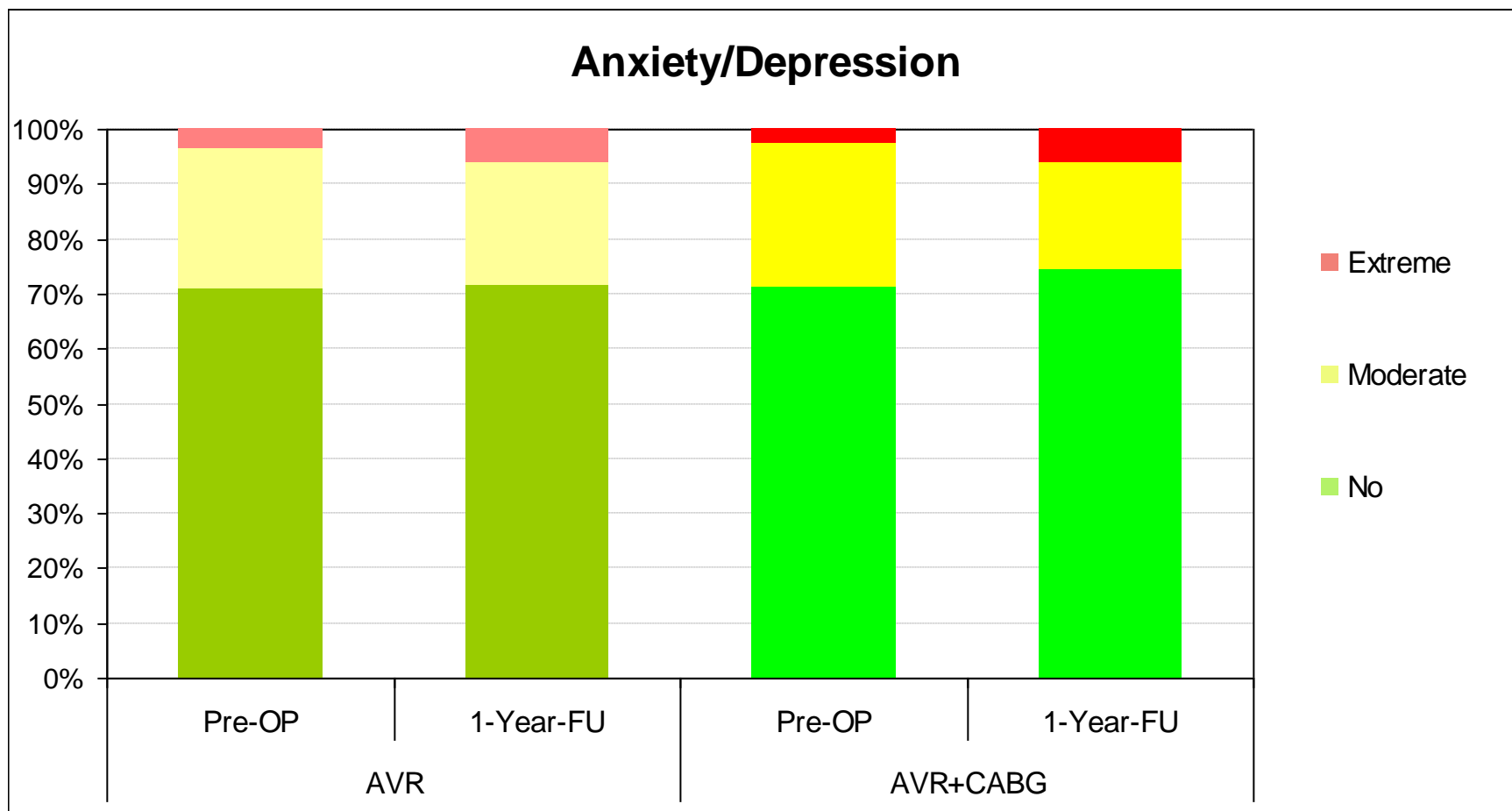


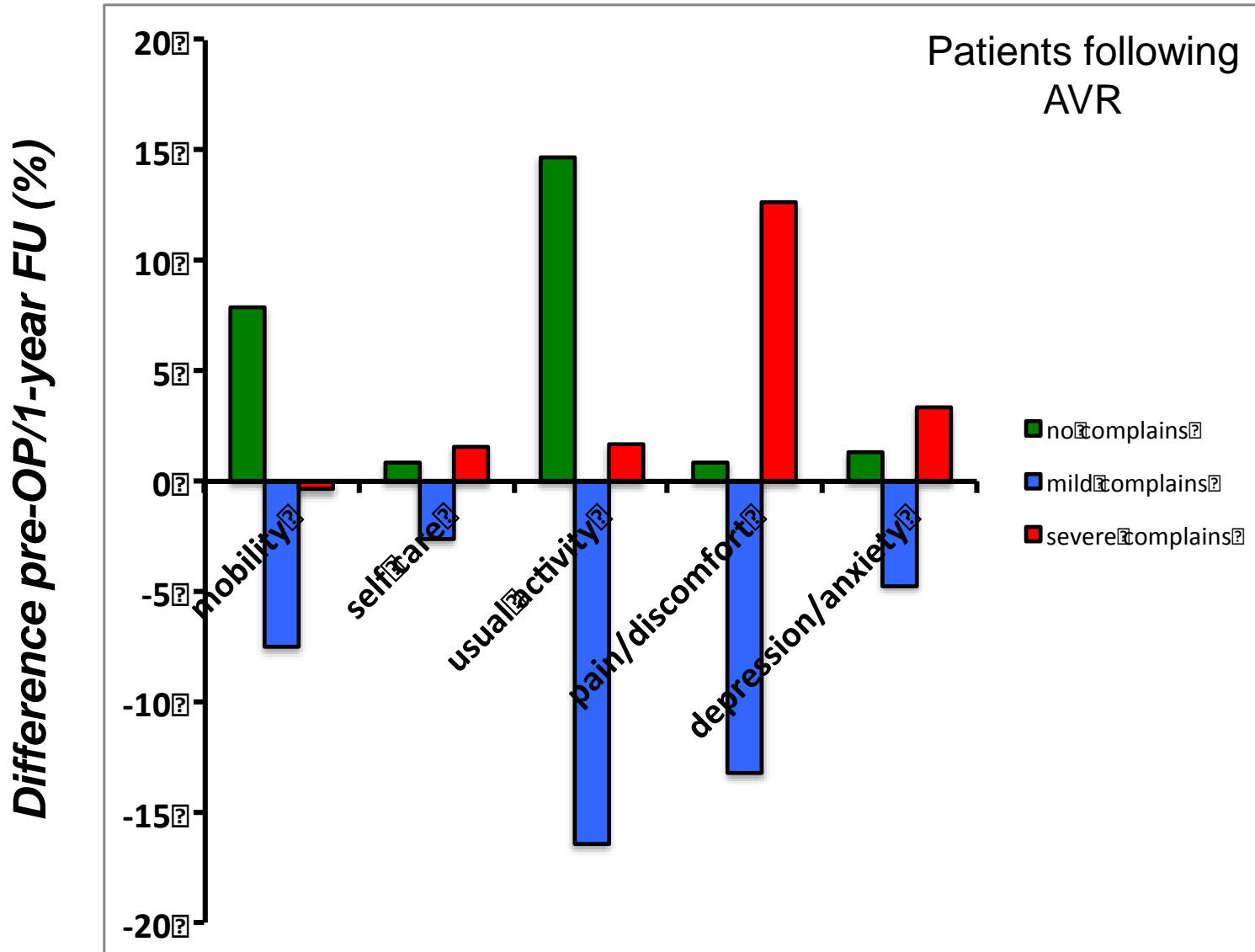


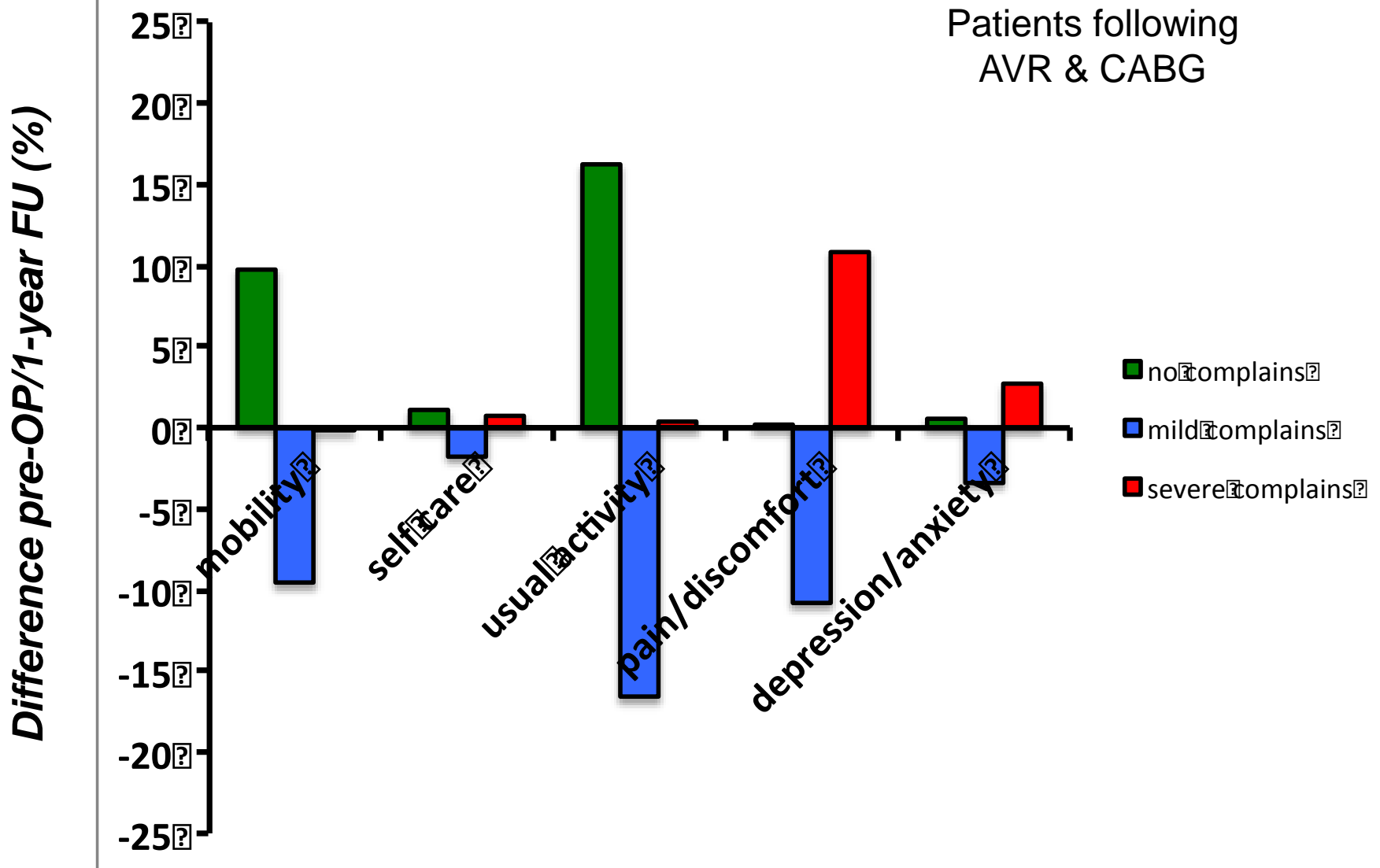














**GARY** engages a **national real world study population** with complete follow-up



Treatment of patients suffering from aortic valve disease leads to significant **improvement in Quality of Life** shown by

- **increased** proportions of patients in Level 1 (uncomplicated status) in nearly all dimensions of the EQ-5D, especially in mobility and usual activity.
- **improved VAS Scores** in the overall group as well as in the isolated AVR and combined AVR + CABG groups



The dimensions **pain/discomfort** and **anxiety/depression** demonstrate an increase for patient numbers in Level 3 reflecting a **worsening in QoL** in these categories



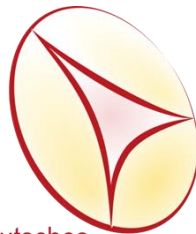
Further analysis should be performed to **identify patients** which have **no** treatment **benefit** in terms of an improved **Quality of Life**

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# Thank you!



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