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**De rol van producteigenschappen  
(filtratie, bewaarduur) op de uitkomsten  
van transfusie**

**TRIM-research**



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Transfusion  
Related  
Immuno  
Modulation



- Alloimmunisatie
- Orgaan transplantatie
- Cancer recurrence
- Mortaliteit
- Infectie

**Pre-”TRIM”, voor 1970's = RBC = Packed Cells +/- BC**

- 1. RBC transfusies kunnen anti HLA-Ab's induceren**
  - 2. Anti HLA-Ab's kunnen tot (acute) afstoting leiden**
- Aanname: Na RBC transfusie zullen patiënten slechtere transplantaat survival hebben

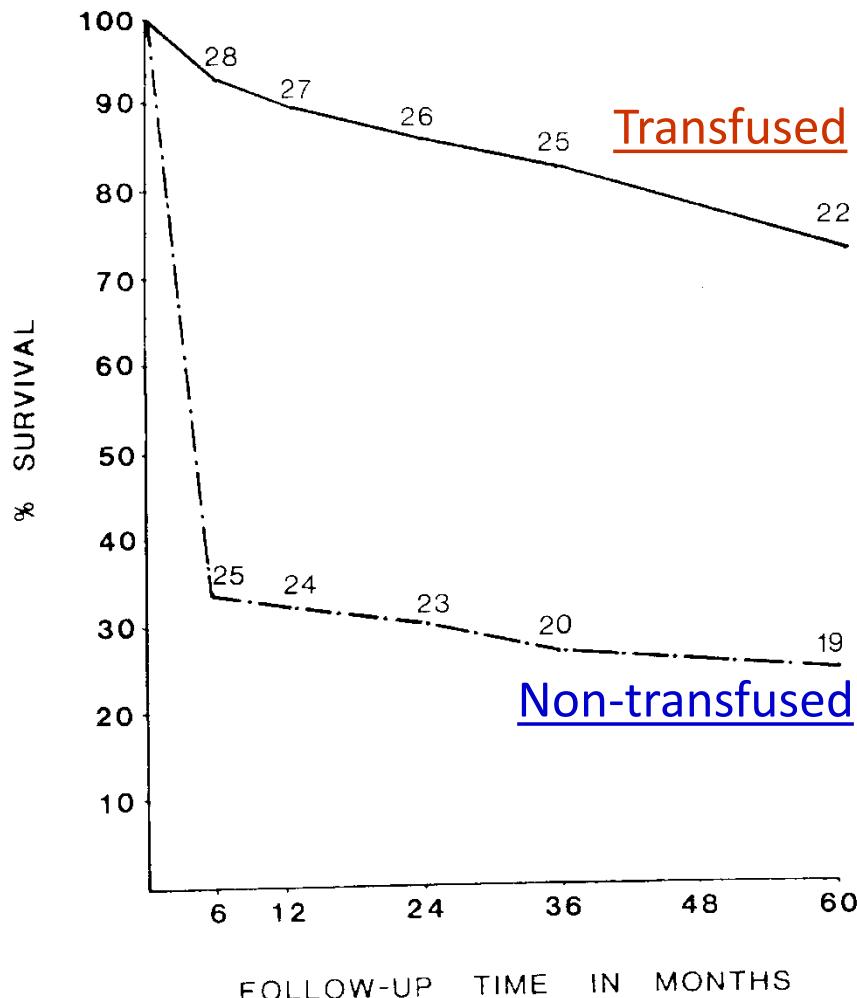
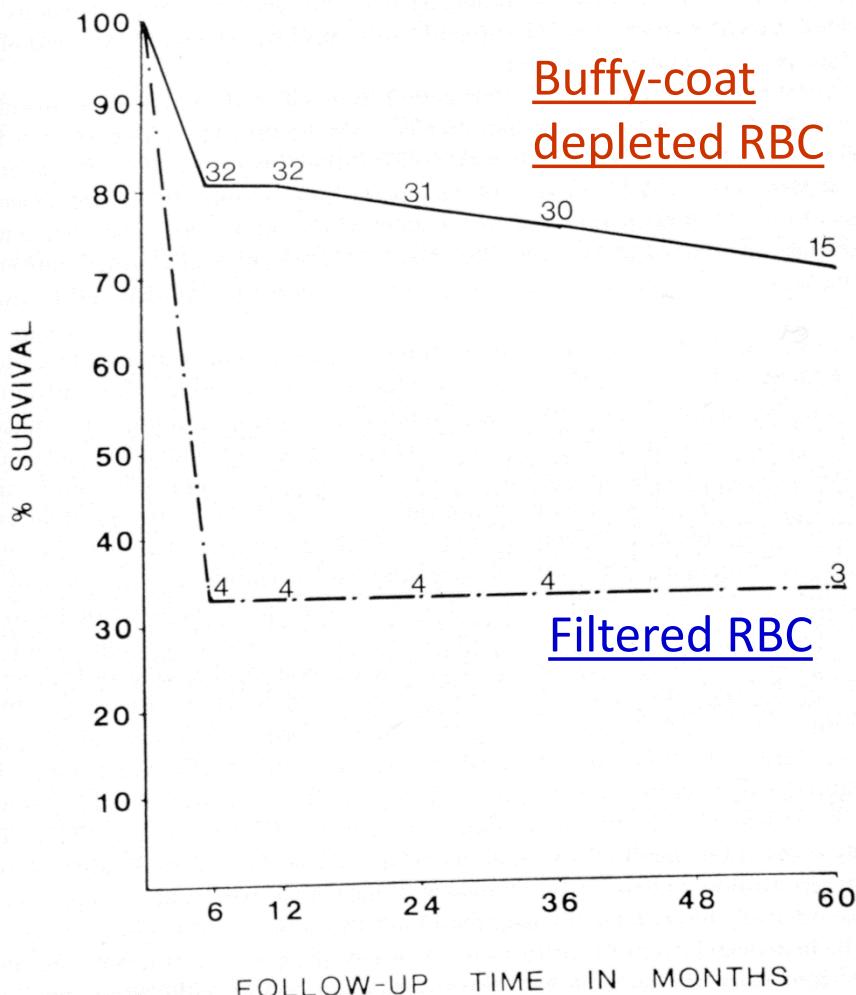


Figure 5.1. Kidney graft survival in the retrospective blood transfusion study. The —— line represents the patients who have received 1 pretransplant blood transfusion while the non-transfused patients are represented by - - - line. The overall difference is very significant ( $p = 0.00001$ ).

Opelz 1973

Kidney graft survival:

Pre-transplant transfused patients show better graft-survival than non-transfused.



Buffy-coat  
depleted RBC

Filtered RBC

### Kidney graft survival:

Transfusies met gefiltreerd (WBC-arm) bloed geeft **GEEN** extra graft survival.

**“Transfusie effect”**

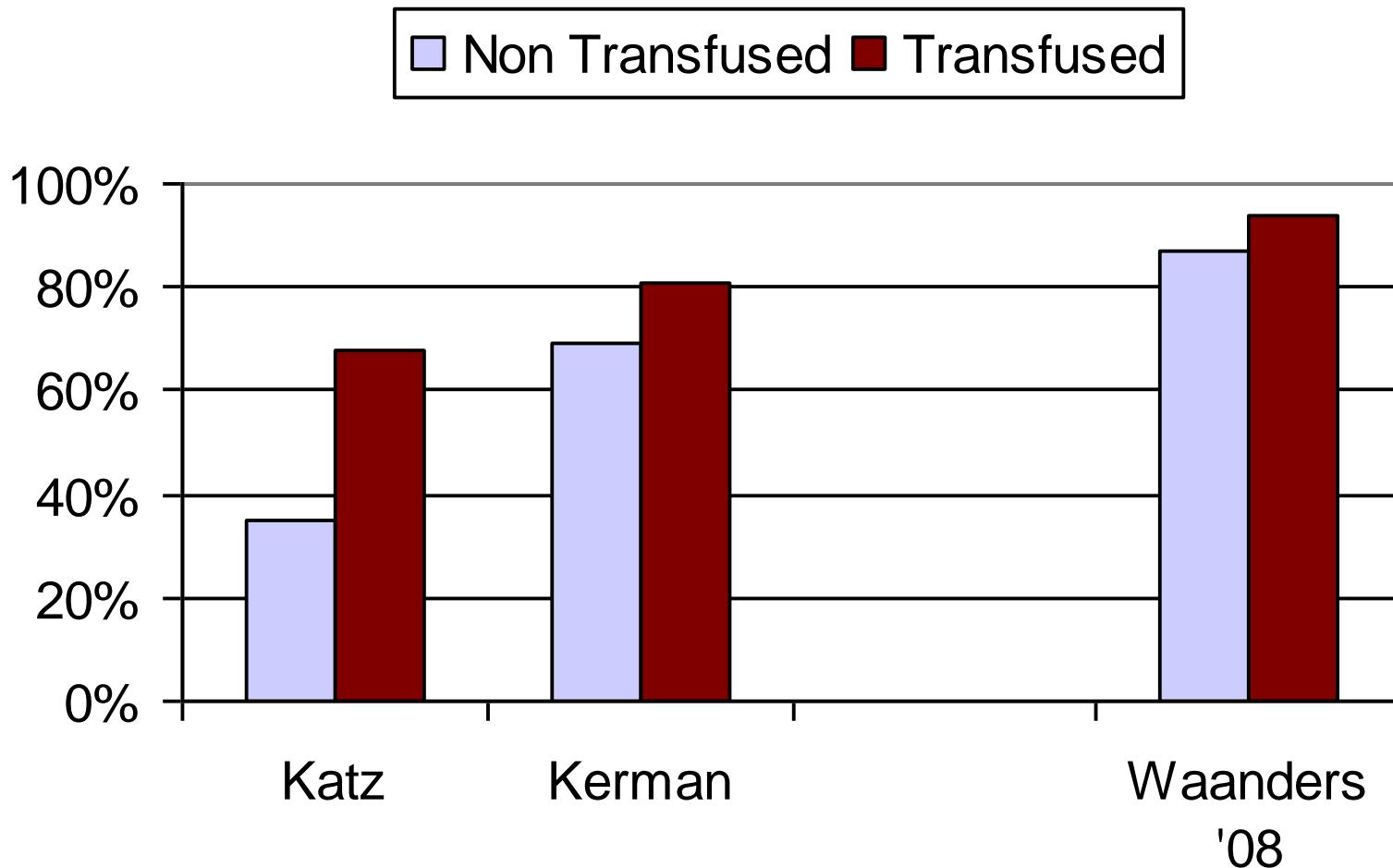
a.k.a. “**TRIM**”

**Transfusion Related ImmunoModulation**

Figure 5.2. Kidney graft survival in the prospective blood transfusion study. The —— line represents the patients who have received 1 leukocyte-poor blood transfusion prospectively. The -.-. line is the group of patients who received 1 or 3 leukocyte-free blood transfusions prior to transplantation. The overall difference is significant ( $p = 0.007$ ).

G.G. Persijn, Thesis 1985

## Graft survival (heart, SPKT)



Hoewel het gunstige effect bij transplantaties nog steeds aanwezig lijkt, ook met de moderne immunosuppressiva, worden pre-transplantatie transfusies vrijwel nergens meer toegepast.

Als belangrijkste redenen hiervoor noemt men het risico op TTI en alloimmunisatie.

## TRIM EFFECTS:

BENEFICIAL

1. Enhanced survival of renal allografts
2. Reduced recurrence rate of Crohn's disease

DELETERIOUS

1. Increased recurrence rate of resected malignancies
2. Increased incidence of postoperative bacterial infections
3. Activation of endogenous CMV or HIV infection
4. Increased short-term (up to 3-month) mortality

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# Cancer Recurrence And Blood transfusion

## Recidief:

Wordt vaker gezien in patiënten die bloedtransfusies hebben ontvangen

Gesuggereerde mechanismes bij colorectale carcinomen:

- Micrometastases (BM), immunosurveillance inhibited  
(Munich, M. Heiss et al)
- Confounder, complexe (rectale) chirurgie  
(Rotterdam, O. Busch et al)

		Non-transfused	Transfused	p
Total population	At risk (N)	<b>251</b>	<b>446</b>	
	Survival (%)	72.9	59.6	<0.001
	<u>Recurrence (%)</u>	<u>24.3</u>	<u>29.8</u>	<u>0.13</u>
	<i>Loc. Rec. (%)</i>			
	<i>Reg. Rec. (%)</i>			
	<i>Dist. Rec. (%)</i>			
Rectum/r-s patients	At risk (N)	<b>96</b>	<b>243</b>	
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Immunomodulatie  
door bloed transfusie:  
Systemisch of lokaal?

Complexe chirurgie:  
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	<i>Loc. Rec. (%)</i>	<i>7.6</i>	<i>11.9</i>	<i>0.09</i>
	<i>Reg. Rec. (%)</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>6.1</i>	<i>0.29</i>
	<i>Dist. Rec. (%)</i>	<i>18.7</i>	<i>18.4</i>	<b>0.92</b>
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	<i>Reg. Rec. (%)</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>6.6</i>	<i>0.16</i>
	<i>Dist. Rec. (%)</i>	<i>19.8</i>	<i>20.6</i>	<b>0.99</b>

Zowel de transfusies als het recidief lijken veroorzaakt door de meer complexe (rectum) surgery

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		Total	PCwbc	Filtered	p
Total population	At risk (N)	697	360	337	
	Survival (%)	64.4	63.6	65.3	<b>0.69</b>
	<u>Recurrence (%)</u>	<u>27.8</u>	<u>27.8</u>	<u>27.9</u>	<u>0.99</u>

Er is géén verschil in recidieven tussen de verschillende bloedproducten  
Terwijl PCwbc wel verbeterde graft survival gaf en gefiltreerde RBC niet.

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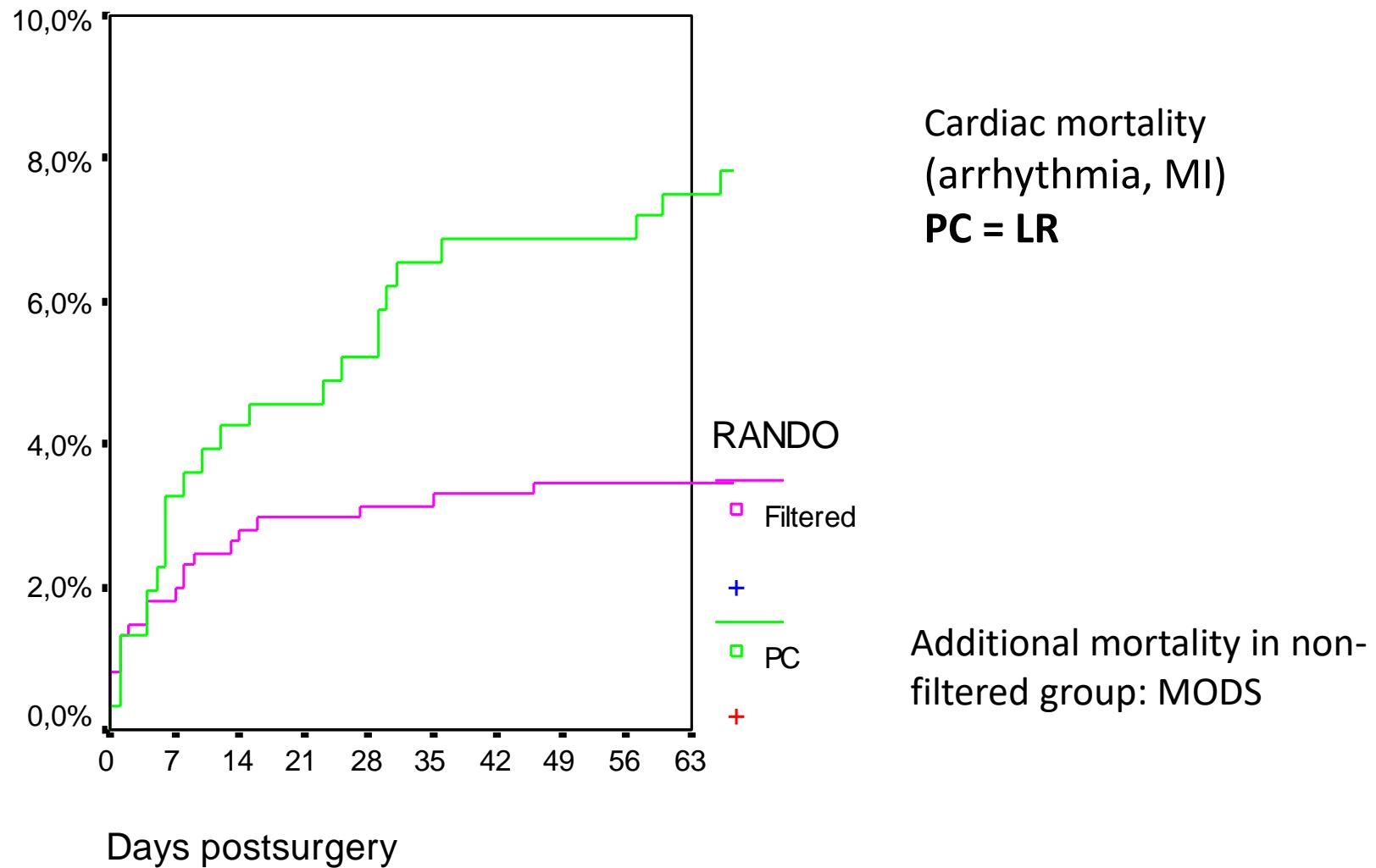
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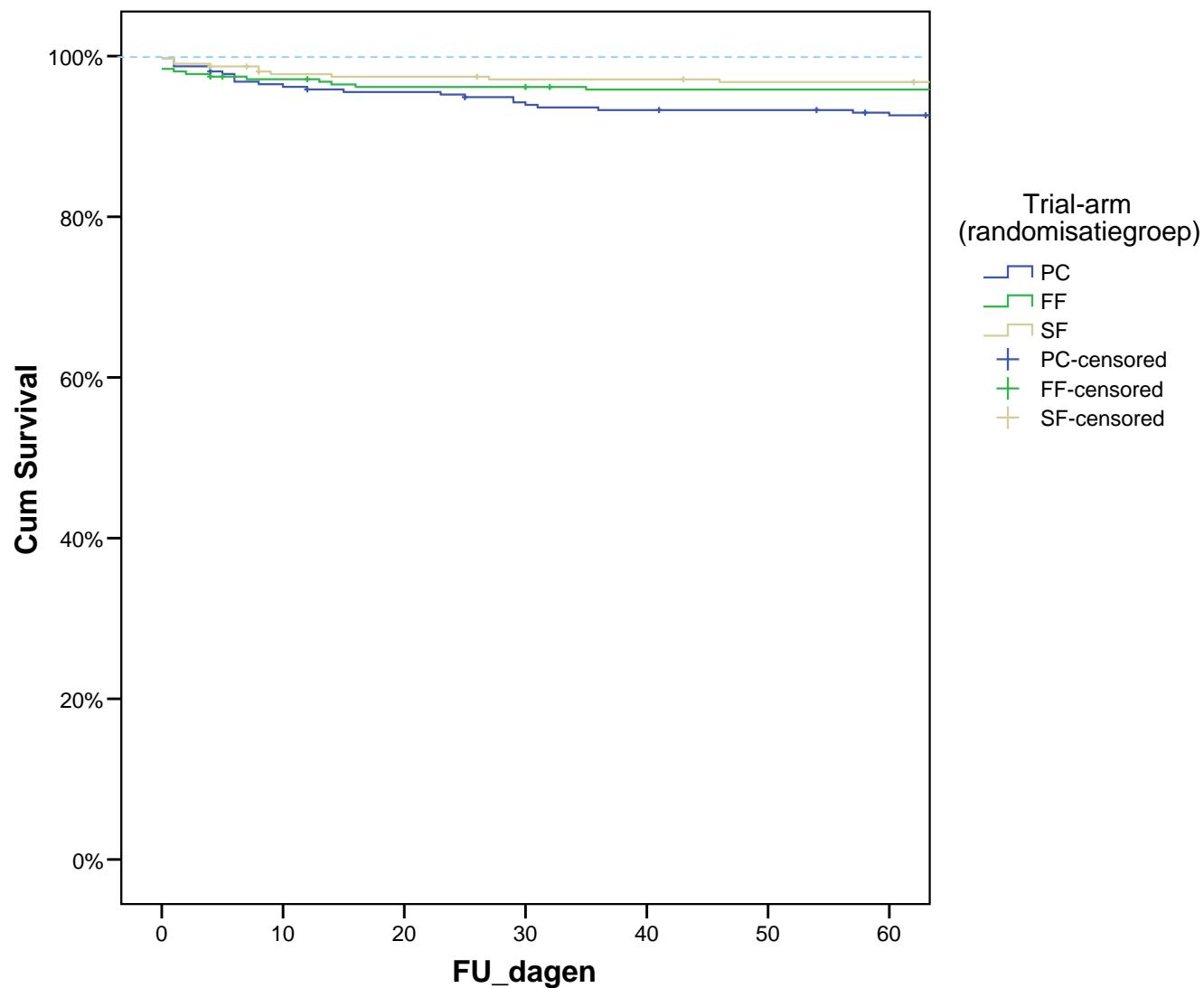
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	<b>PC</b>		<b>FF</b>		<b>SF</b>	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
All patients	306	7.8	305	3.6	303	3.3
<b>Transfusion status</b>						
0 BT	12	0	20	5.0	16	0
Transfused	294	8.2	285	3.5	287	3.5
<b>Number of transfusions</b>						
1-3 BT's	125	1.6	117	0.9	113	1.8
4-6 BT's	98	5.1	99	1.0	104	1.9
7-10 BT's	39	10.3	39	2.6	43	4.7
> 10 BT's	32	40.6	30	23.3	27	14.8

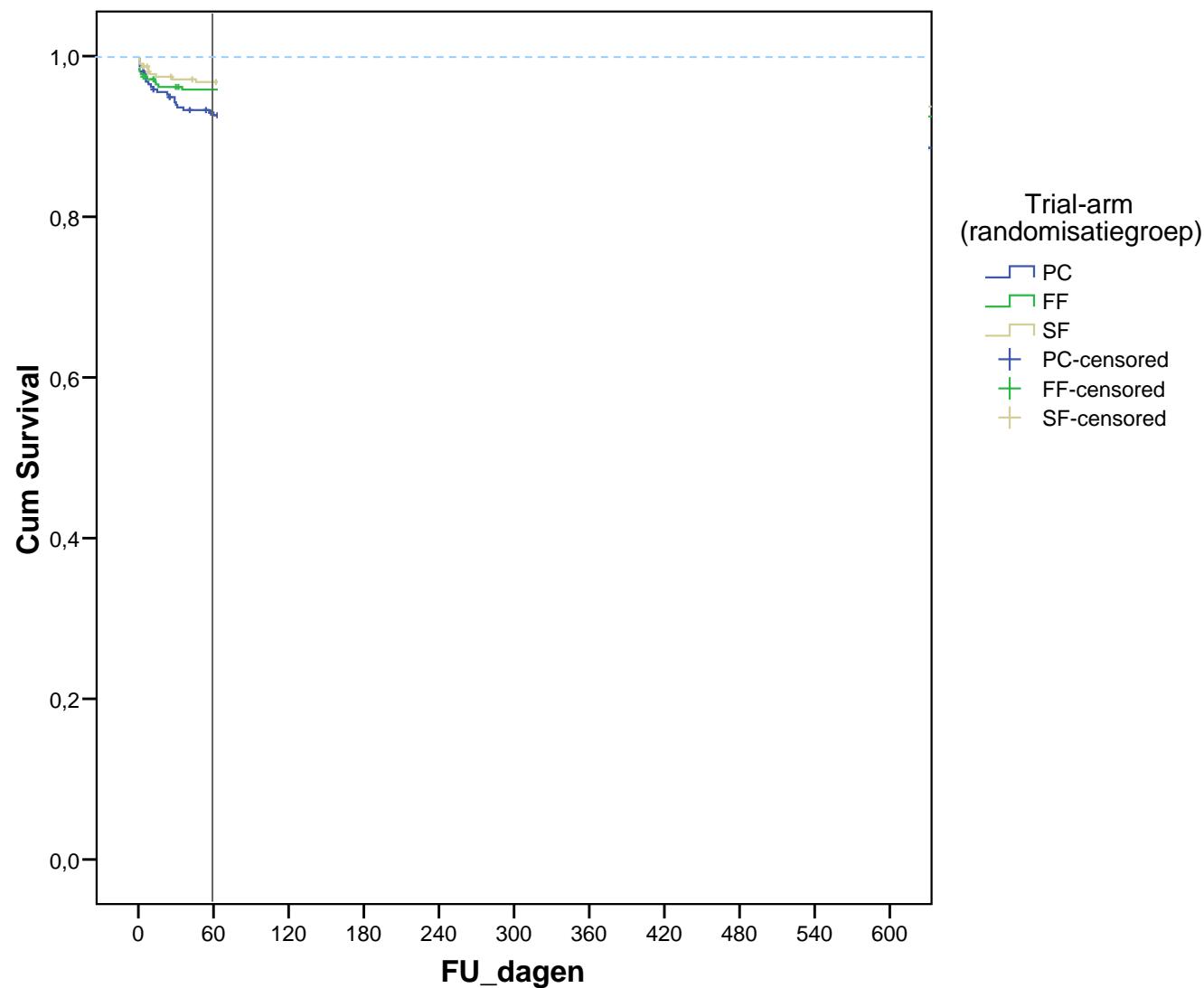
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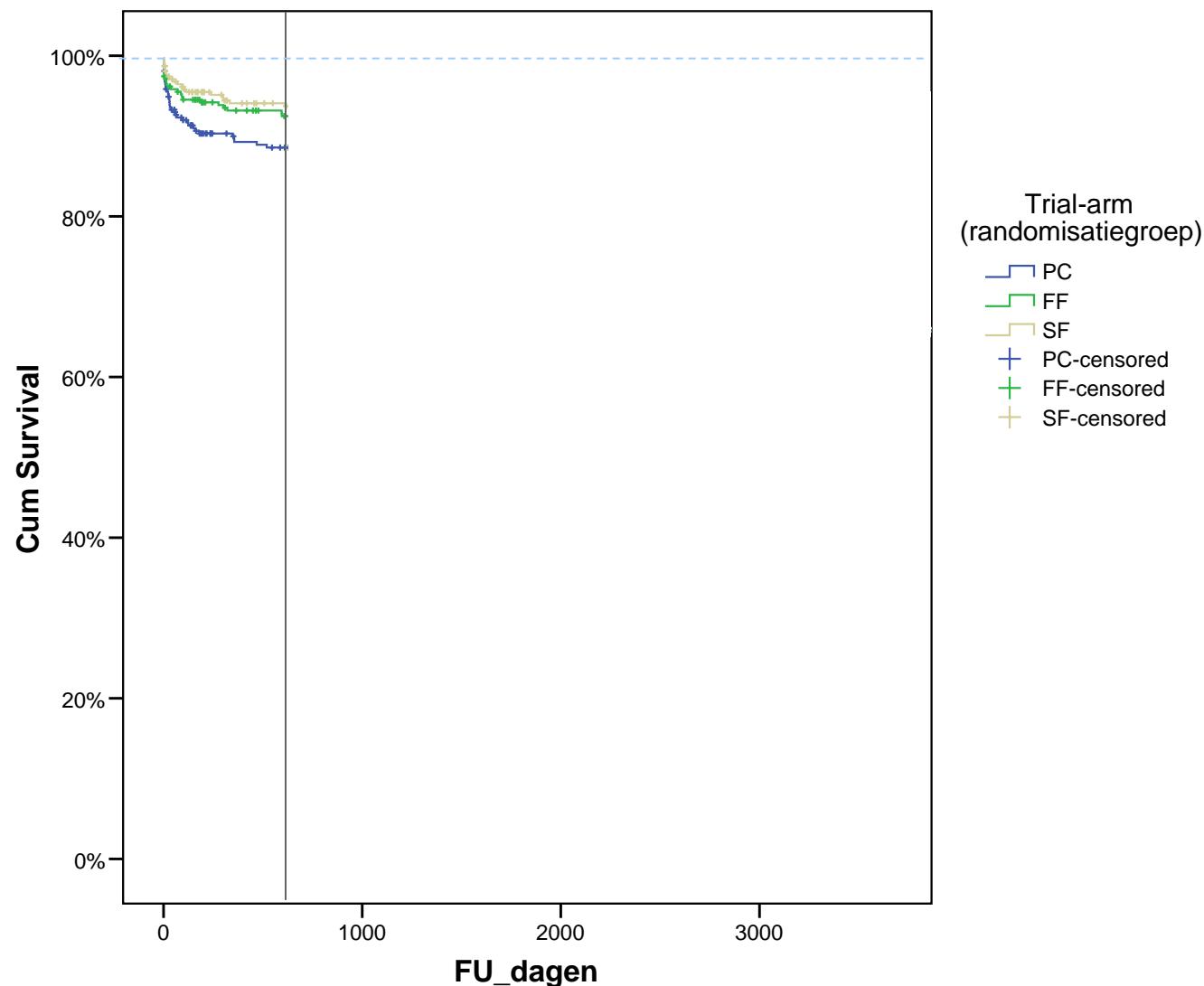
## short term (60d)



## medium term (600d)



long-term (10y)



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- 19 Ziekenhuizen
- Patienten: Acuut AAA  
Electief AAA  
GE-onco
- Randomisatie: PC vs LD (=FF)
- Stratificatie (Zh; Type chirurgie)
- Power: 18% vs 10% mortaliteit  
 $\alpha = 0.05$  ;  $\beta = 0.1$   
=> 625 pat./trialarm



- Twee centra (AMC; LUMC)
- Type chirurgie: Klep  $\pm$  CABG
- Randomisatie: PC vs LD (=FF)
- Stratificatie (Zh; Type chirurgie)
- Power: 15% vs 5% mortaliteit

$$\alpha = 0.05 ; \beta = 0.1$$

=> 207 pat./trialarm

## ISBT 2004, Edinburgh: Leucodepletion: Is There a Step Too Far?

~~Evidence based medicine~~  
**Believers & non-believers**

“... we recommend universal adoption (of LR) even if we are not certain of its benefits.” Carson & Berlin, Can J Anesth 2004

“Although opponents of ULR are correct in their assertion that the clinical value of ULR has not been unequivocally demonstrated, I believe that the application of this rigid standard ... is not appropriate and will retard advances in transfusion medicine” Sweeney, Am J Clin Pathol 2001

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Max.age  
RBC > 21d

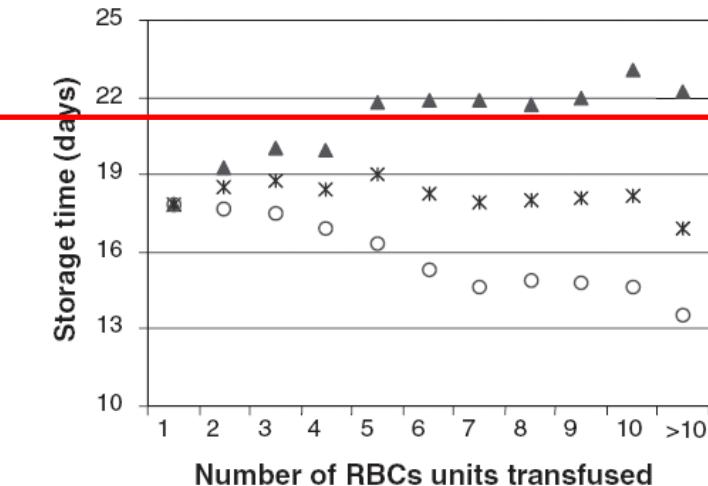


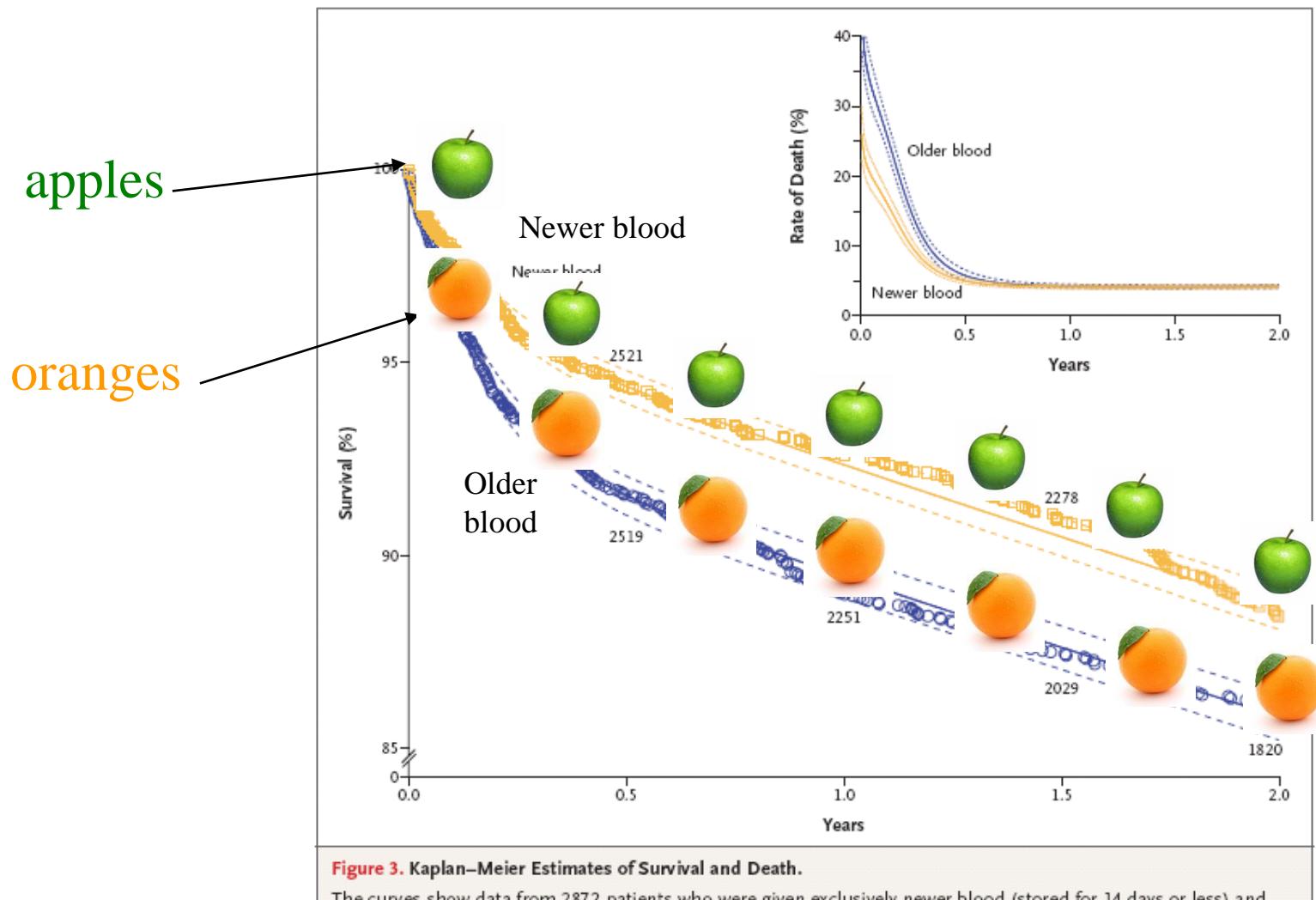
Fig. 2. Correlation of the total number of transfusions with the storage times of RBCs. (▲) Mean maximum storage time; (\*) mean average storage time; (○) mean minimum storage time.

TABLE 3. Association of RBC storage time with length of ICU stay and 30-day mortality

Characteristic	Crude model		Adjusted model	
	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p Value	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p Value
<b>ICU stay ("risk" of ICU discharge)</b>				
Storage time*				
Mean of all RBC units (weeks)	1.01 (0.96-1.06)	0.84	1.01 (0.96-1.06)	0.76
Oldest RBC unit (weeks)	0.95 (0.91-0.99)	0.015	1.01 (0.96-1.05)	0.80
Youngest RBC unit (weeks)	1.05 (1.01-1.10)	0.029	1.00 (0.96-1.05)	0.90
All RBCs > 18 days†	0.97 (0.89-1.06)	0.52	0.98 (0.89-1.09)	0.74
<b>30-day survival</b>				
Storage time*				
Mean of all RBC units (weeks)	1.13 (0.89-1.43)	0.34	0.96 (0.72-1.29)	0.80
Oldest RBC unit (weeks)	0.85 (0.69-1.05)	0.13	0.98 (0.76-1.25)	0.85
Youngest RBC unit (weeks)	1.33 (1.04-1.68)	0.021	0.93 (0.71-1.23)	0.62
All RBCs > 18 days†	0.97 (0.58-1.61)	0.89	0.76 (0.42-1.37)	0.35

\* Storage time is analyzed as a continuous variable, expressed in weeks.

† In the analysis "All RBCs > 18 days," the 950 patients receiving all RBCs older than 18 days are compared to the 945 patients receiving all RBCs younger than 18 days. The 837 patients receiving RBCs both younger and older than 18 days or RBCs stored for 18 days were excluded from this analysis.



**Figure 3. Kaplan–Meier Estimates of Survival and Death.**

The curves show data from 2872 patients who were given exclusively newer blood (stored for 14 days or less) and

In this un-adjusted comparison,

determined by the Kaplan–Meier method, is superimposed on the parametric survival function estimator. In this un-adjusted comparison, the percentage of patients receiving older blood who survived was lower than the percentage of those receiving newer blood who survived, especially during the initial follow-up period.

**NCT00326924 “ARIPI” (Canada, D. Fergusson)**

<7d vs St.; Composite endpoint in premature infants

**ISRCTN44878718 “ABLE” (Canada, J. Lacroix)**

<8d vs St.; 90 day mortality in high risk ICU patients

**NCT00991341 (01274390) Recess (RECAP) (US, NHLBI)**

<11d vs >20d; MODS (O<sub>2</sub> saturation) compl.cardiac surgery

**ISRCTN08188744 “INFORM” (CAN,US R. Barty)**

Freshest vs St.; In-hosp.mort. in all transfused patients >18y

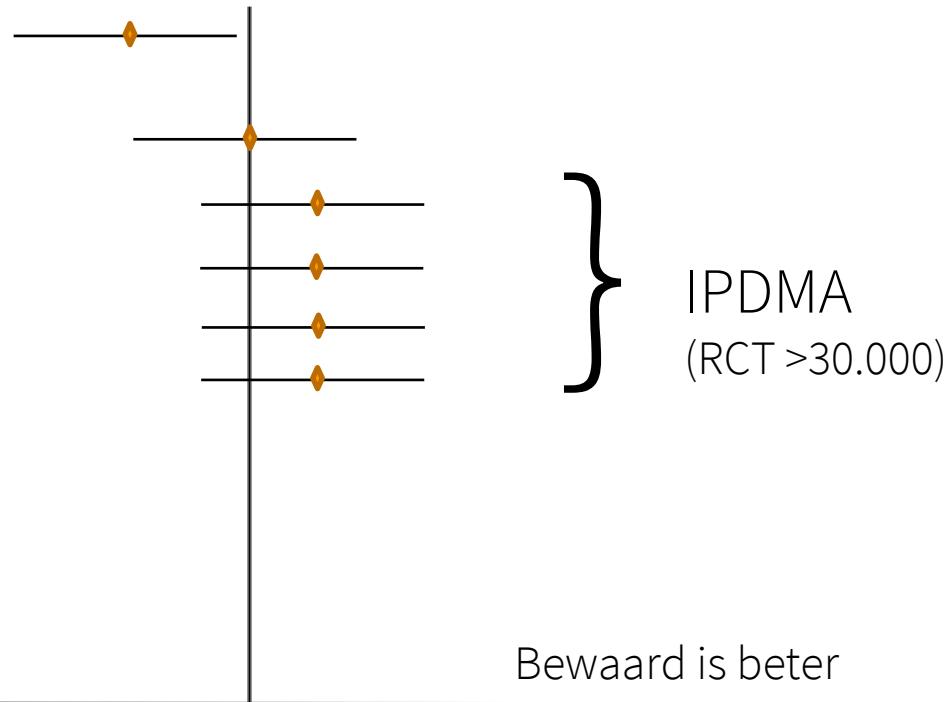
**NCT01638416 “TRANSFUSE” (ANZIC, B.Ady)**

Freshest vs St.; 90-d.mortality in ICU patients >18y

“Verwachting”

ARIPI  
ABLE  
RECESS  
INFORM  
TRANSFUSE

Vers is beter



IPDMA  
(RCT >30.000)

Bewaard is beter

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