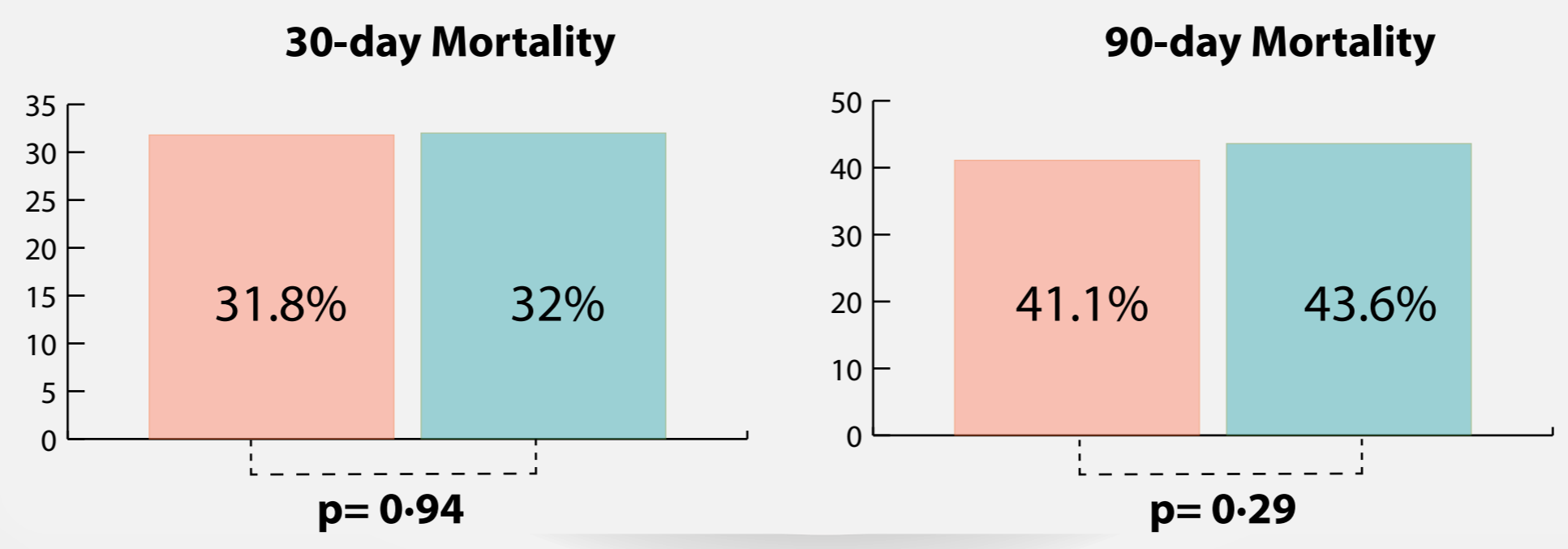


Does the replacement of albumin in patients with severe sepsis improve mortality compared to no replacement?

ALBUMIN GROUP
Patients received 300 ml of 20% albumin solution on a daily bases from day 1 until 28 or ICU discharge (whichever came first), to maintain a serum albumin level of 30 g per liter or more

NO ALBUMIN GROUP
No albumin replacement regardless of albumin level. Crystalloids were administered whenever it was clinically indicated by the attending physicians.



CONCLUSION

Mortality at 28 days or 90 days was not different in patients with severe sepsis and albumin replacement compared to crystalloids alone.