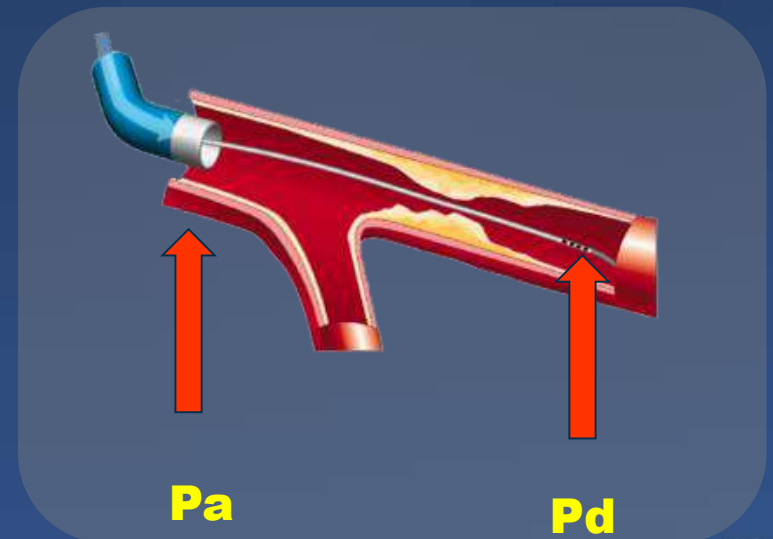


Coronary Imaging

Fractional Flow Reserve

Under the maximal hyperemia

$$\text{FFR} = \frac{Q_{s_{\max}}}{Q_{n_{\max}}} = \frac{(\cancel{P_d} - \cancel{P_v}) / \cancel{R}}{(\cancel{P_a} - \cancel{P_v}) / \cancel{R}}$$
$$= \frac{P_d}{P_a}$$



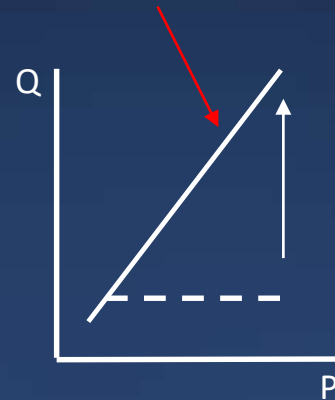
Importance of Maximum Hyperemia

$$FFR = \frac{Q_S^{\max}}{Q_N^{\max}}$$



$$= \frac{P_d}{P_a}$$

Maximal vasodilation



During maximal vasodilation, the ratio of *stenotic flow* to *normal flow* is proportional to their respective driving pressures.

This is exactly the definition of the FFR: the ratio of *distal coronary pressure* to *aortic pressure*.

Importance of Maximum Hyperemia

Insufficient hyperemia



Underestimation of pressure gradient



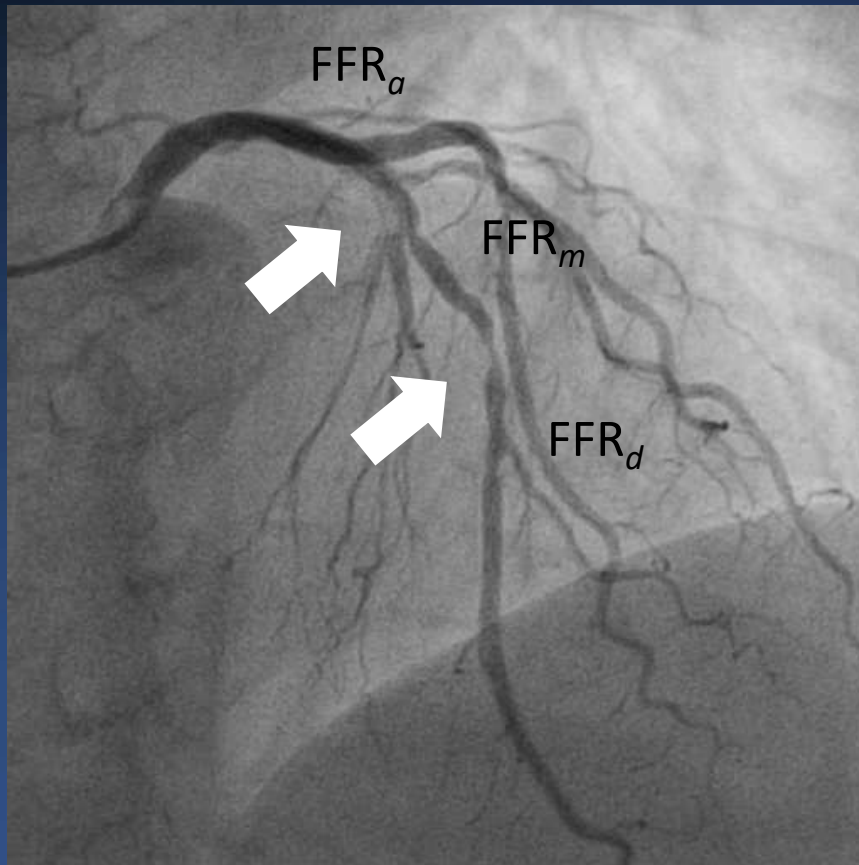
Overestimation of FFR



Underestimation of Stenosis Severity

Coronary Tandem Lesions

Multiple stenoses in series along one coronary artery



Rule of Big Delta

If $FFR_a - FFR_m > FFR_m - FFR_d$

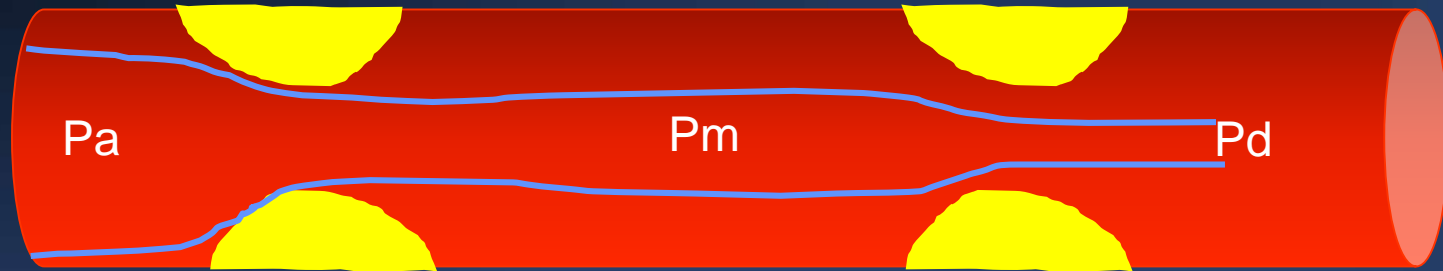
→ Proximal Lesion Tx First

If $FFR_a - FFR_m < FFR_m - FFR_d$

→ Distal Lesion Tx First

Coronary Tandem Lesions

Multiple stenoses in series along one coronary artery



“a” lesion

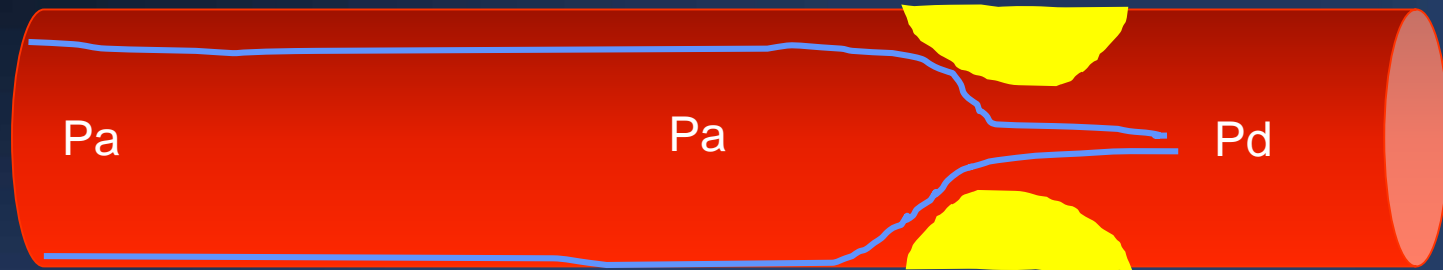
$$FFRa = \frac{Pa - Pm}{Pa}$$

“b” lesion

$$FFRb = \frac{Pd - Pm}{Pm} \quad (\text{at maximal hyperemia})$$

Coronary Tandem Lesions

Multiple stenoses in series along one coronary artery



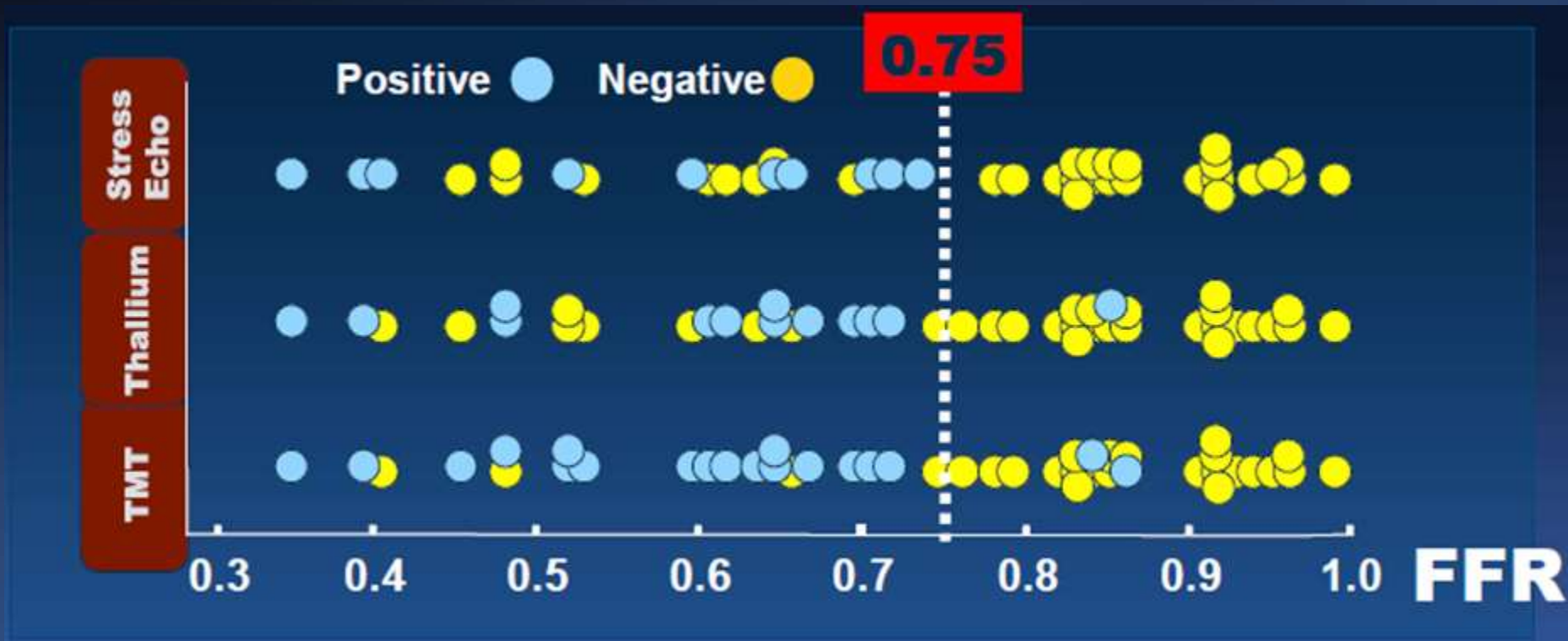
If “a” lesion is removed

FFR of “b” lesion will change

$$FFR_b = \frac{Pd - Pa}{Pa} \text{ (At maximal hyperemia)}$$

First Validation of FFR

Comparison with 3 non-invasive functional studies



N = 45 patients

Sensitivity 88%, Specificity 100%, PPV 10%, NPV 88%

N Engl J Med 1996;334:1703-8

FFR Cut-Off Value

0 ←————→ 0.75 ↔ 0.80 ←————→ 1.0

Significant

grey zone

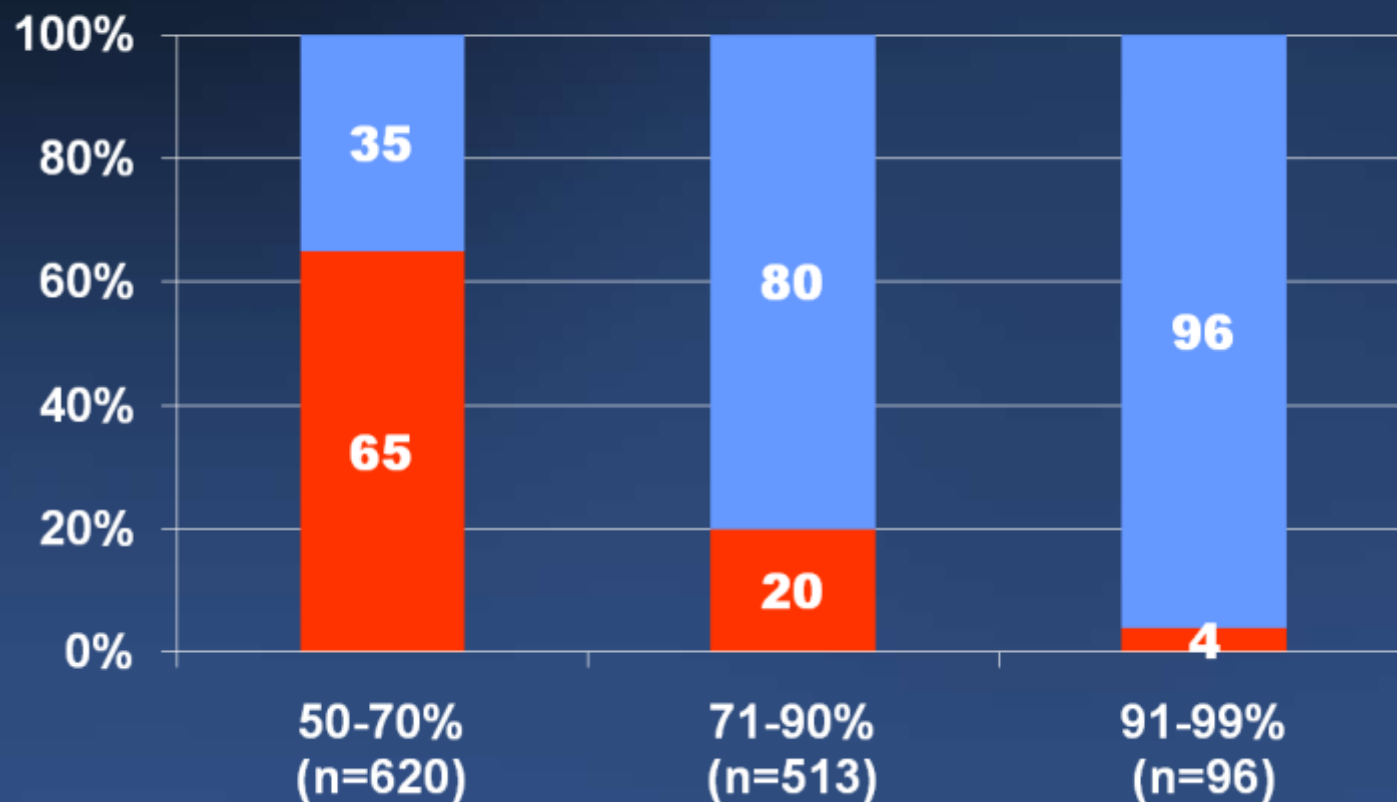
Non-significant

Author	Number	Stress Test	BCV	Accuracy
Pijls et al.	60	X-ECG	0.74	97
DeBruyne et al.	60	X-ECG/SPECT	0.72	85
Pijls et al.	45	X-ECG/SPECT/pacing/DSE	0.75	93
Bartunek et al.	37	DSE	0.68	90
Abe et al.	46	SPECT	0.75	91
Chamuleau et al.	127	SPECT	0.74	77
Caymaz et al.	40	SPECT	0.76	95
Jimenez-Navarro et al.	21	DSE	0.75	90
Usui et al.	167	SPECT	0.75	79
Yanagisawa et al.	167	SPECT	0.75	76
Meuwissen et al.	151	SPECT	0.74	85
DeBruyne et al.	57	MIBI-SPECT post-MI	0.78	85
Samady et al.	48	MIBI-SPECT post-MI	0.78	85

Visual-Functional Mismatch (I)

From FAME Study

■ **FFR>0.80** ■ **FFR≤0.80**



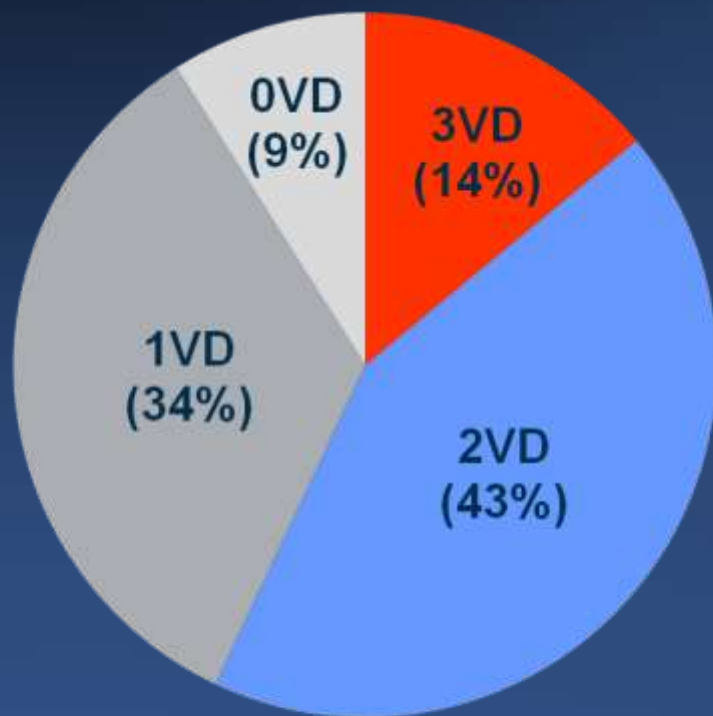
**Mismatch
36.3%**

Visual Estimated Diameter Stenosis, %

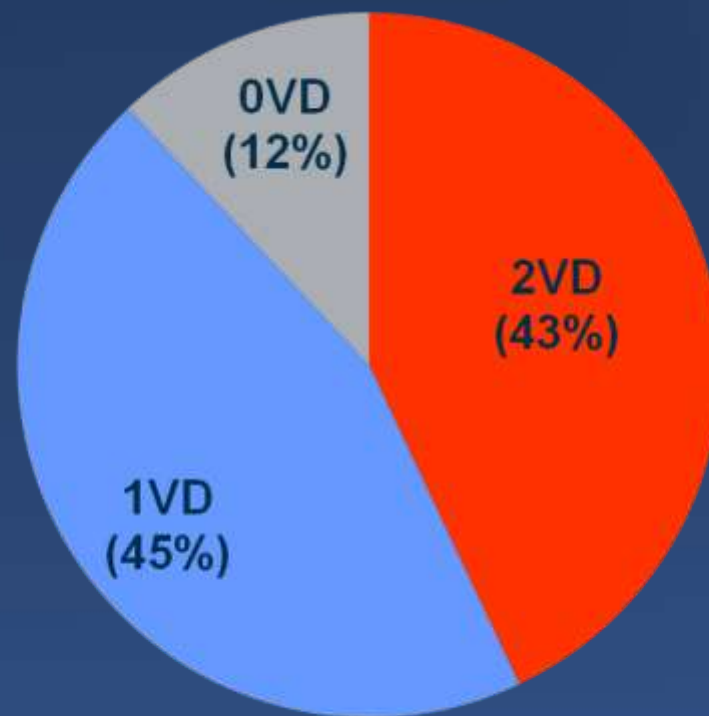
Visual-Functional Mismatch (II)

From FAME Study

Functionally Diseased Coronary Arteries



Angiographic 3VD

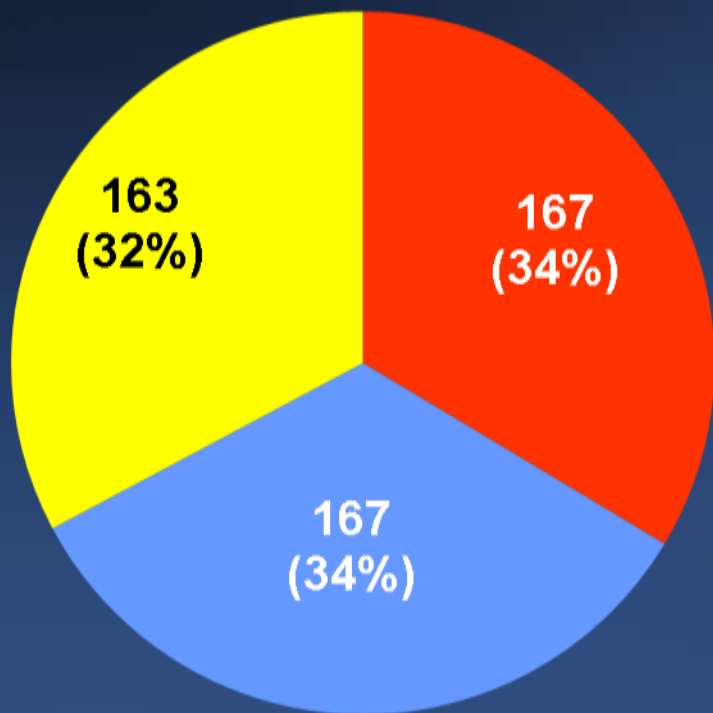


Angiographic 2VD

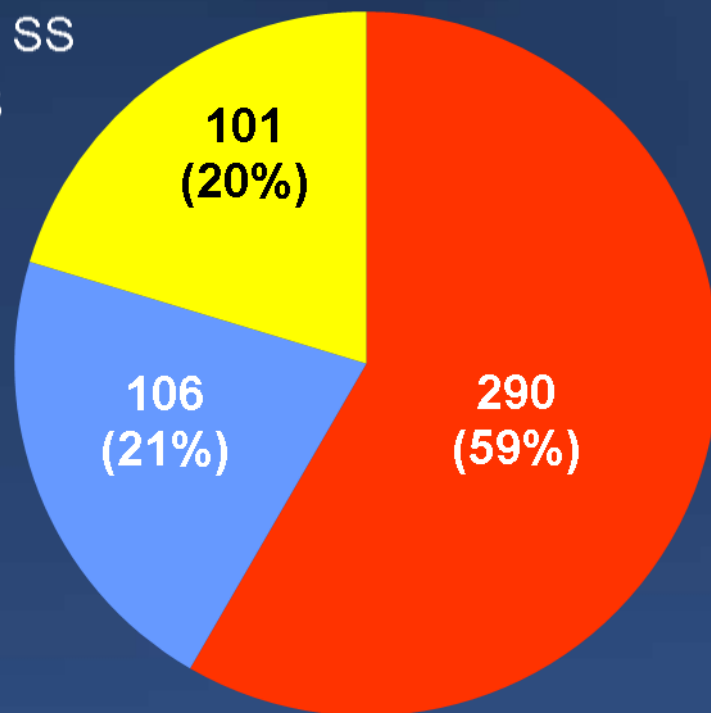
Visual-Functional Mismatch (III)

Functional SYNTAX Score in FAME

- Low SS
- Medium SS
- High SS



Classic SS



Functional SS

FRAME @ 2yr FU

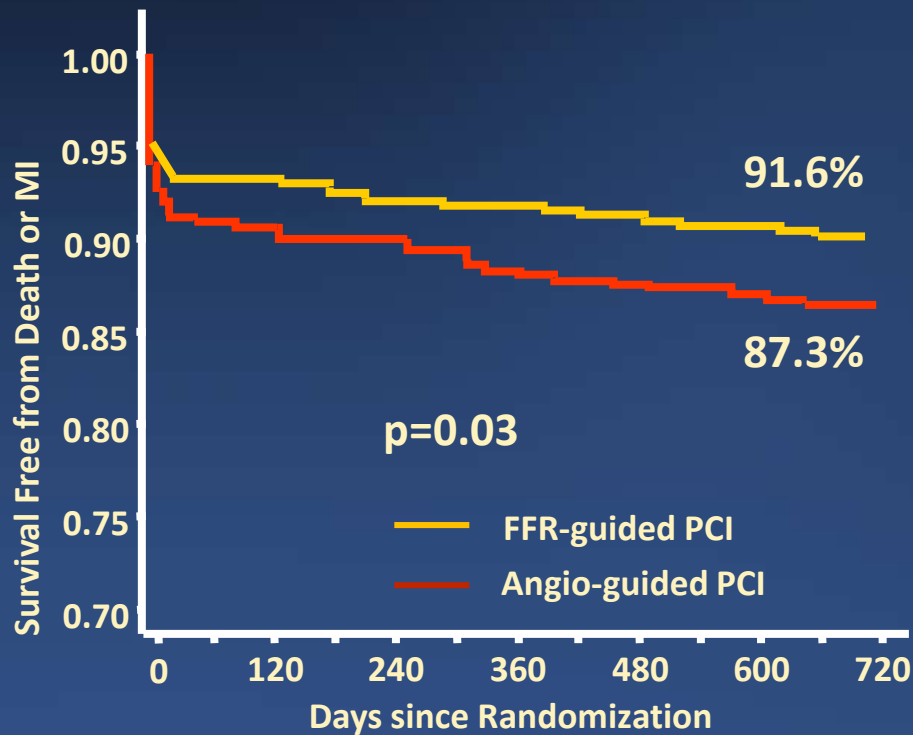
A total of 1,005 patients with multivessel CAD were randomly assigned

	Angio-Guided N=496	FFR-Guided N=509	p value
Total no. of MACE	139	105	
Individual Endpoints			
Death	19 (3.8)	13 (2.6)	0.25
MI	48 (9.7)	31 (6.1)	0.03
CABG or repeat PCI	61 (12.3)	53 (10.4)	0.35
Composite Endpoints			
Death or MI	63 (12.7)	43 (8.4)	0.03
Death, MI, CABG, or re-PCI	110 (22.2)	90 (17.7)	0.07
Total no. of MACE	139	105	

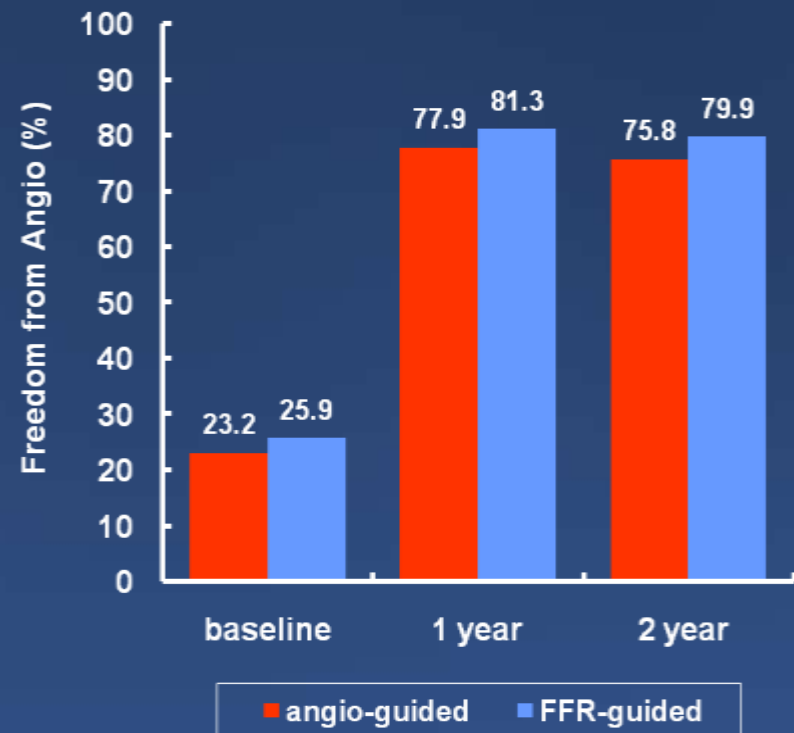
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A total of 1,005 patients with multivessel CAD were randomly assigned

Death or MI

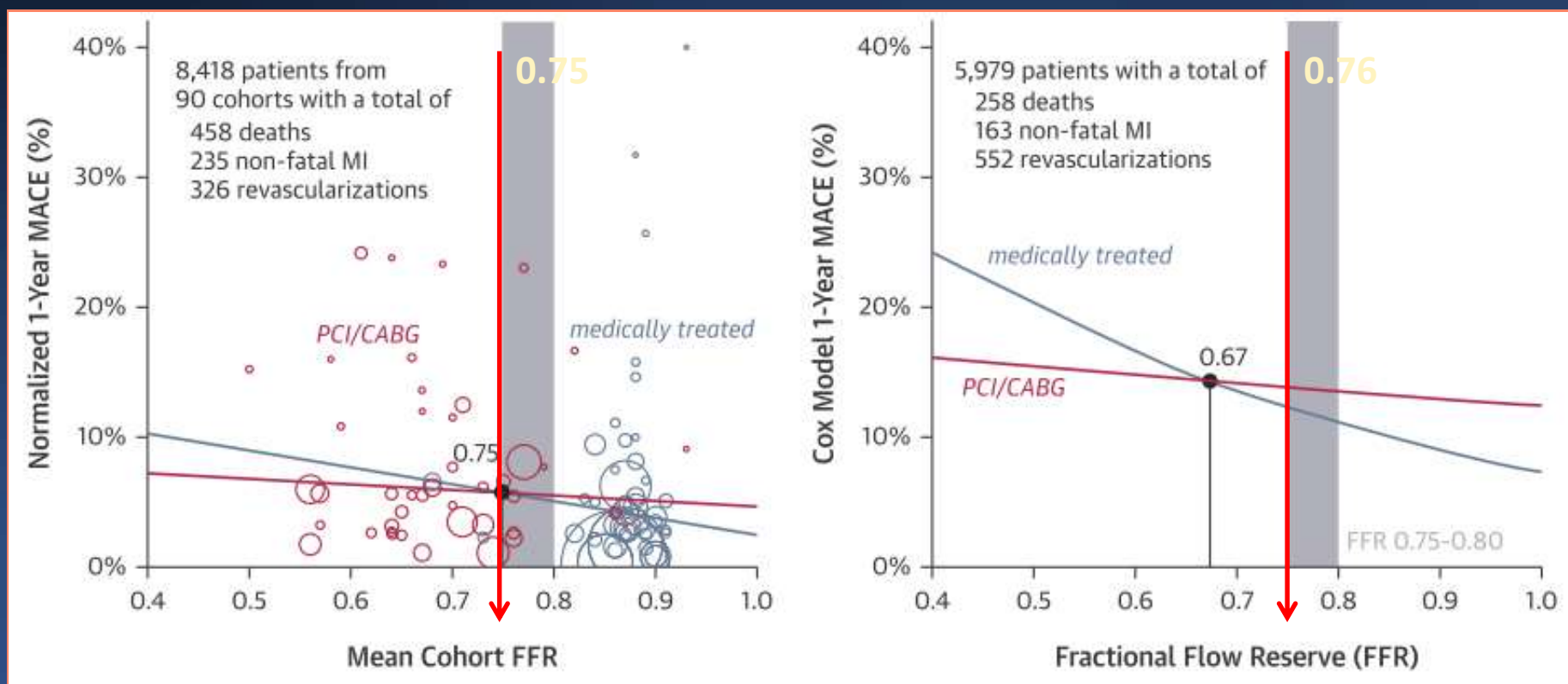


Free From Angina



Prognostic Value of FFR on Clinical Outcomes

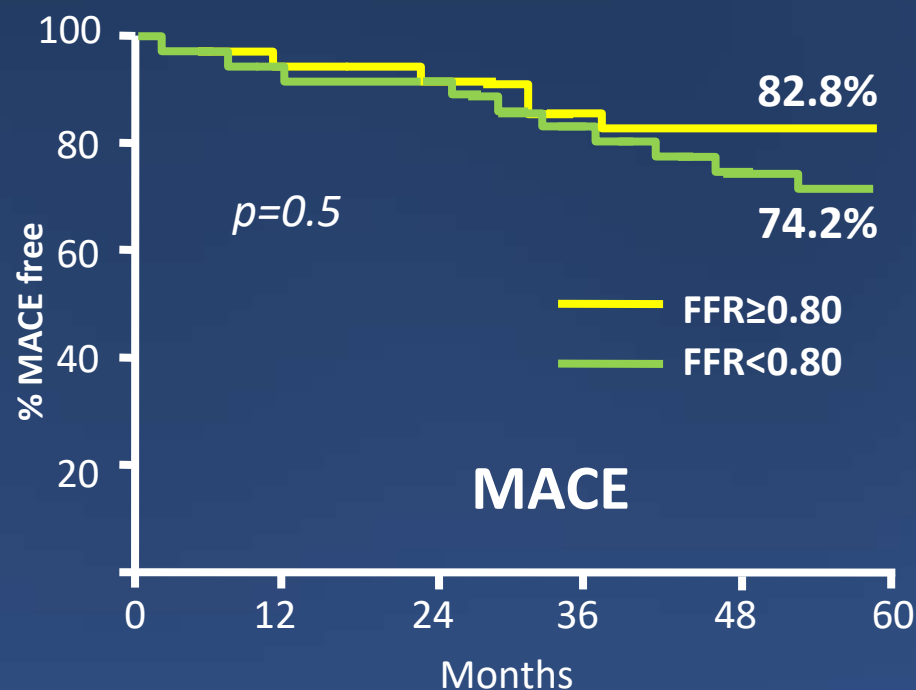
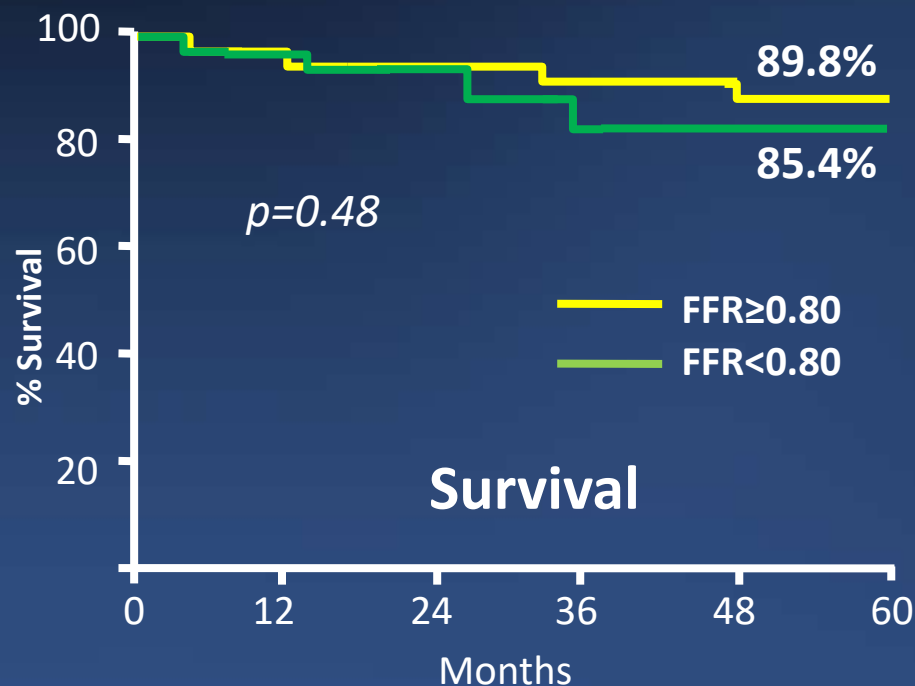
6,961 pts, 9,173 lesions



Johnson et al, JACC 2014;64:1641-54

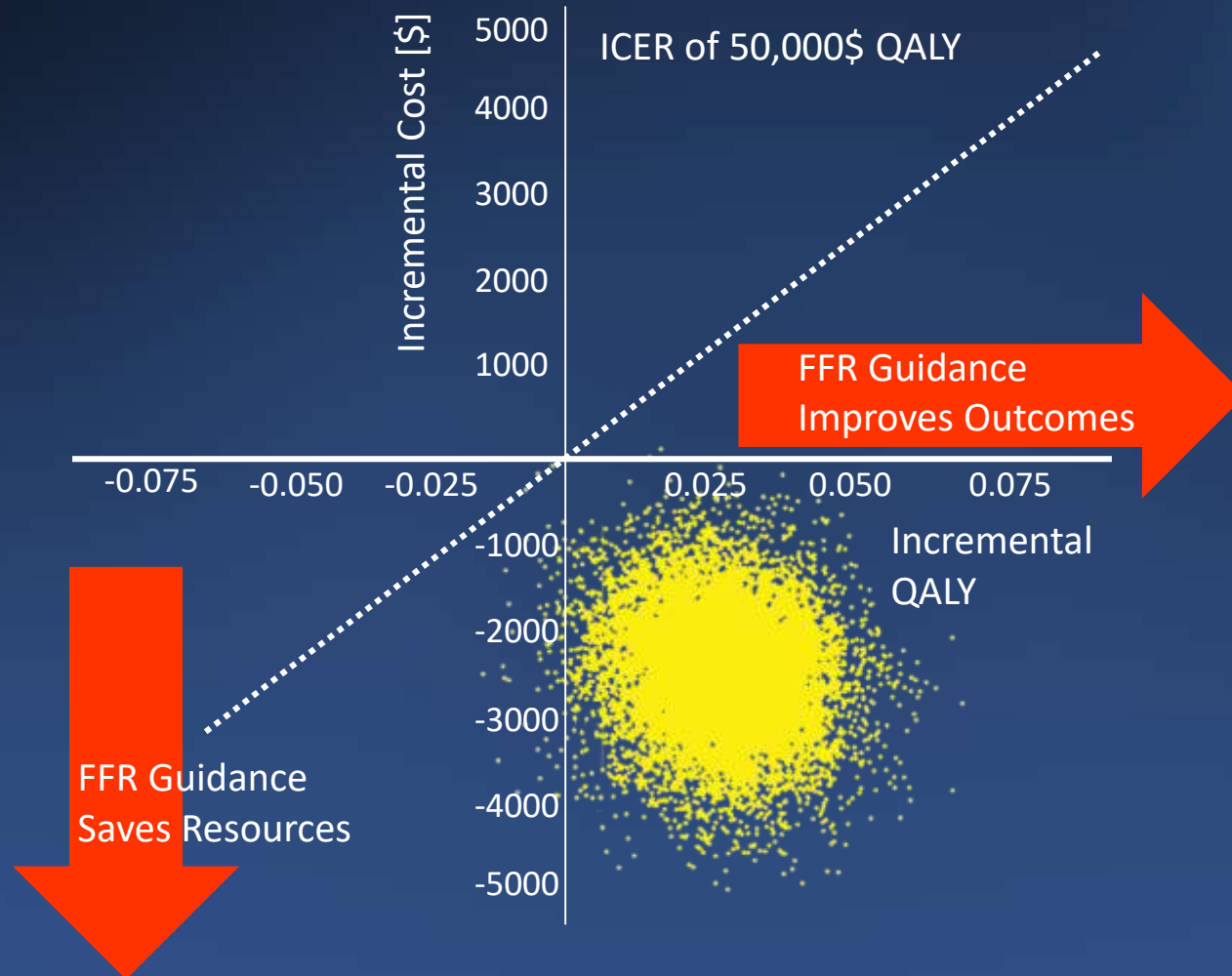
FFR guided PCI in Equivocal LMCA

- In 213 patients with an equivocal LMCA stenosis
- FFR ≥ 0.80 : Medication (n=138) vs. FFR < 0.80 : CABG (n=75)



An FFR-guided strategy showed the favorable outcome.

Saving Costs and Improving Outcomes By FFR guidance



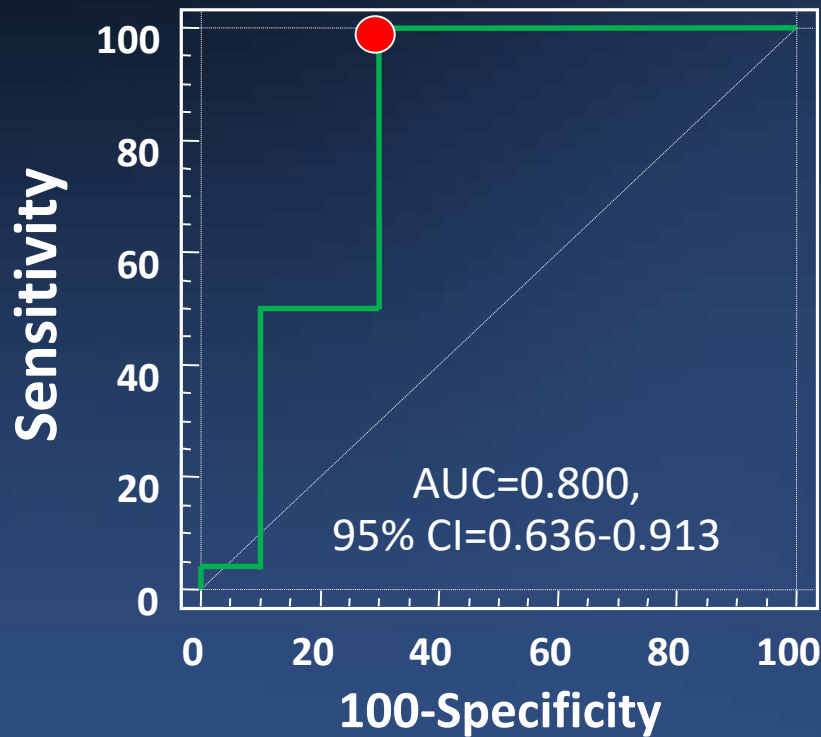
Use of IVUS vs. FFR in SB Assessment After LM Cross-over



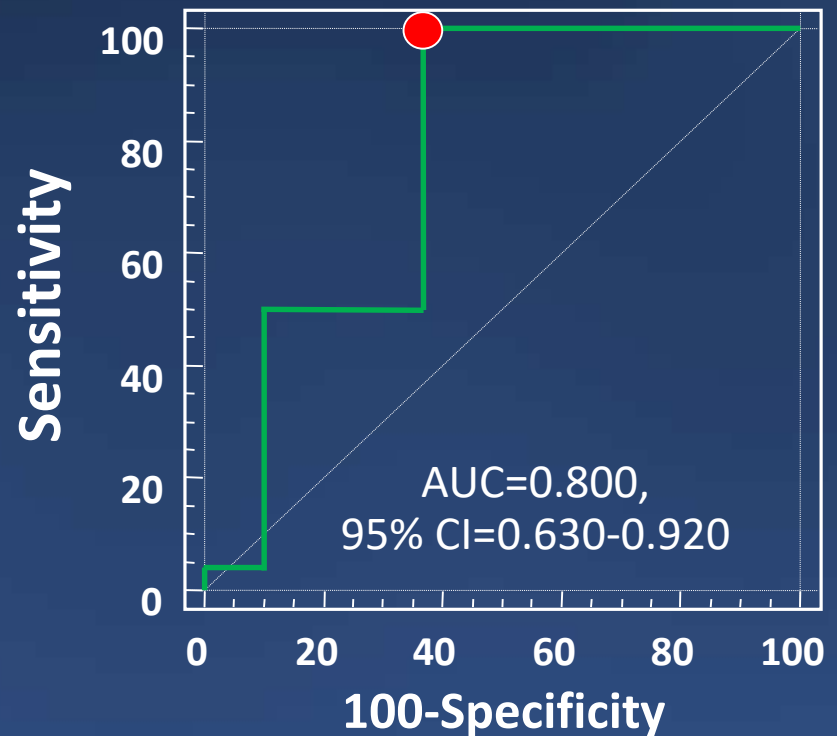
	SB-pullback IVUS	SB FFR
Advantage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm the anatomical compromise and MLA loss Mechanism of SB jailing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm the functional SB compromise
Pitfalls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MLA-FFR mismatch No MLA criteria Low feasibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minority - not feasible

Functional Compromise of LCX after LM Cross-Over Stenting

Preprocedural MLA and plaque burden
of poststenting LCX FFR < 0.80

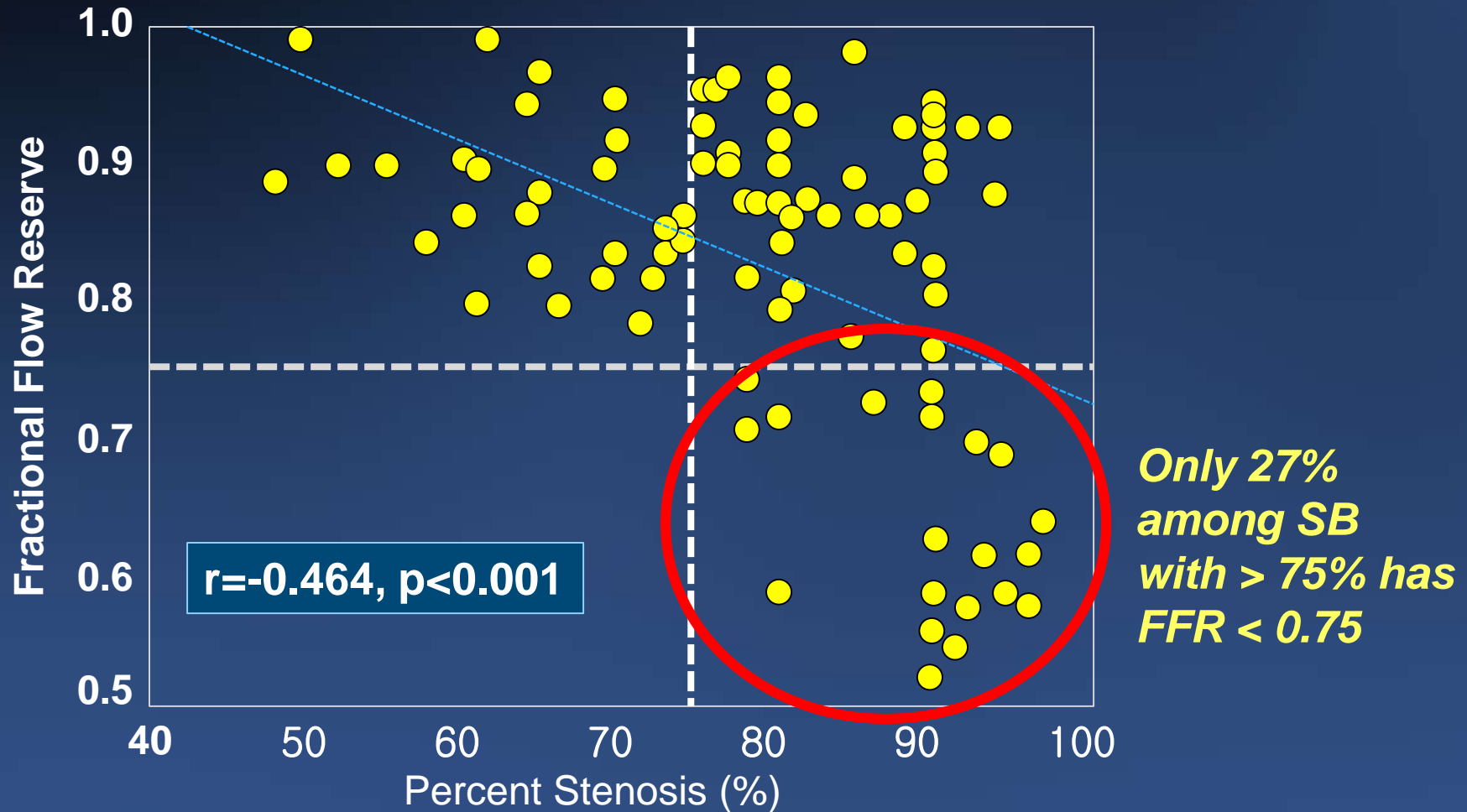


MLA 3.7 mm²



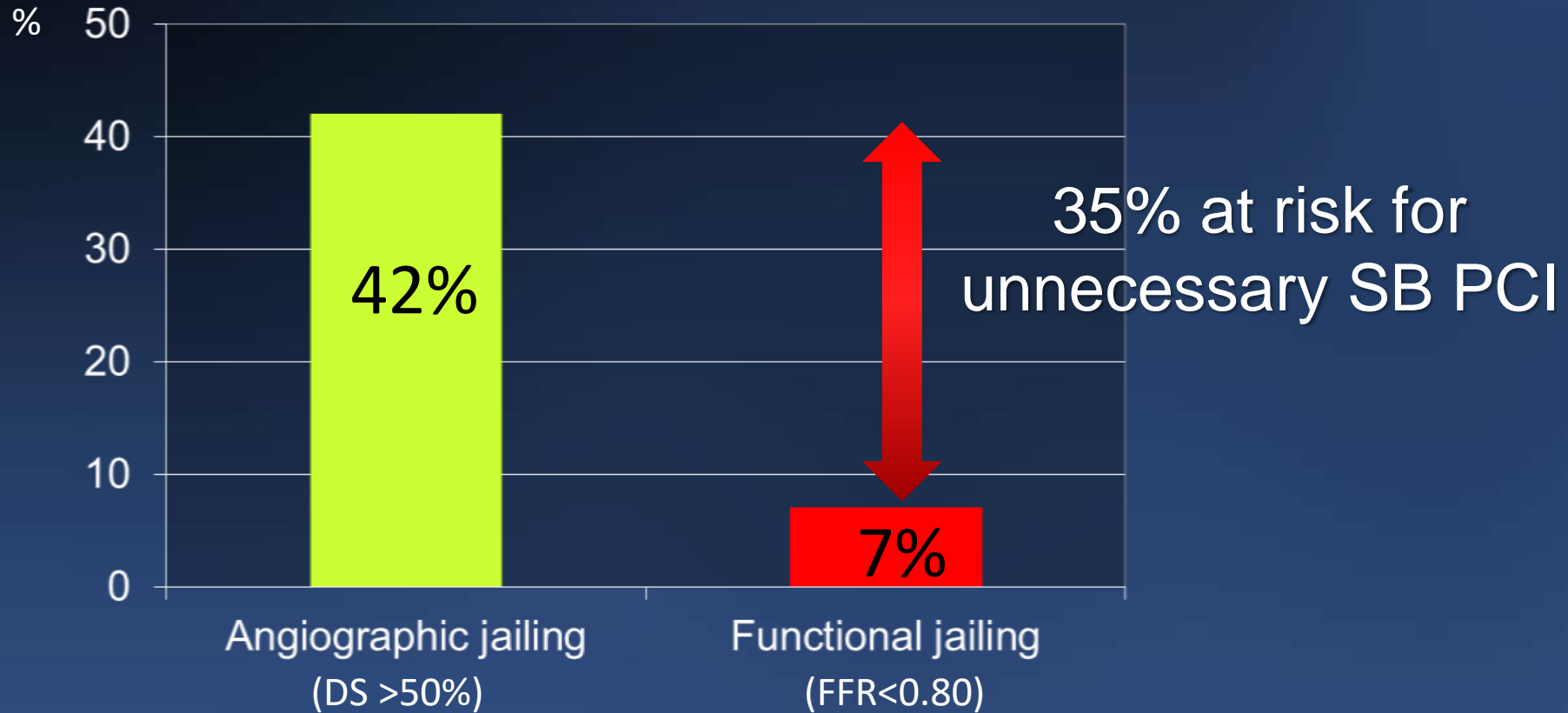
Plaque burden 56%

FFR of the Jailed Side Branch



Functional LCX Compromise

In LMCA Bifurcations (LCX ostial DS<50%)

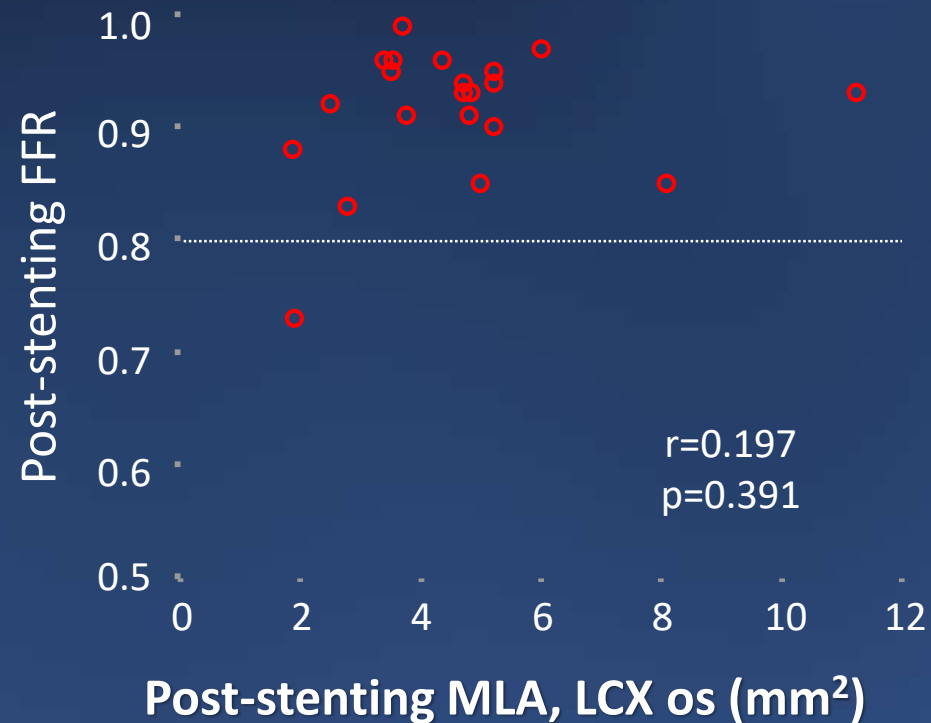
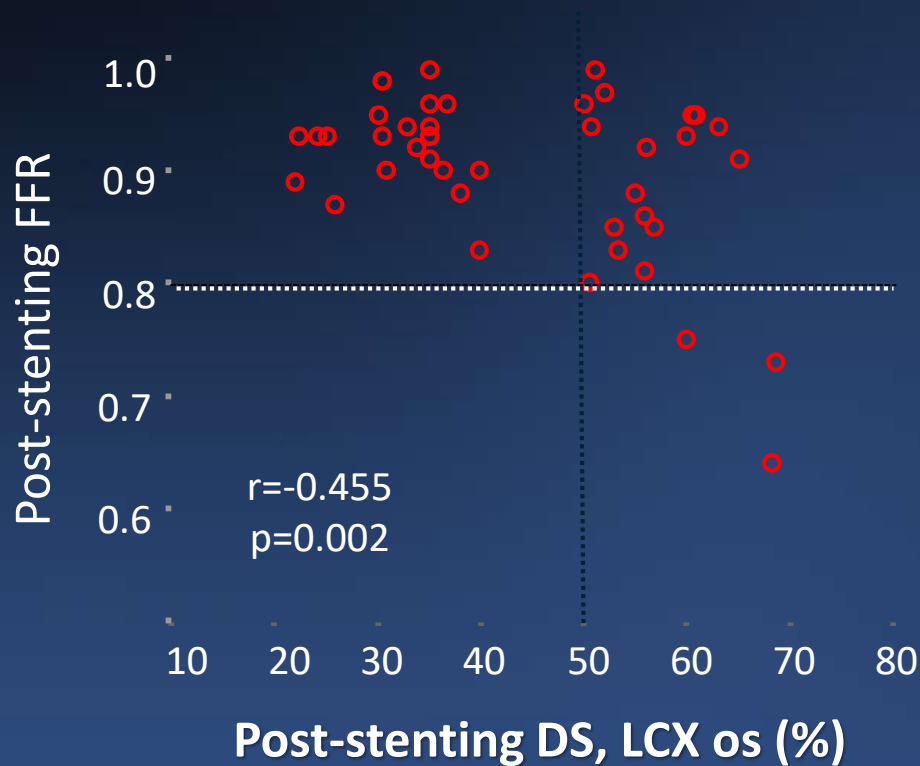


Kang et al. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2014;83(4):545-52

**When Pre-PCI LCX Ostial DS<50%,
Just Do Single Stent!**

LMCA Bifurcation

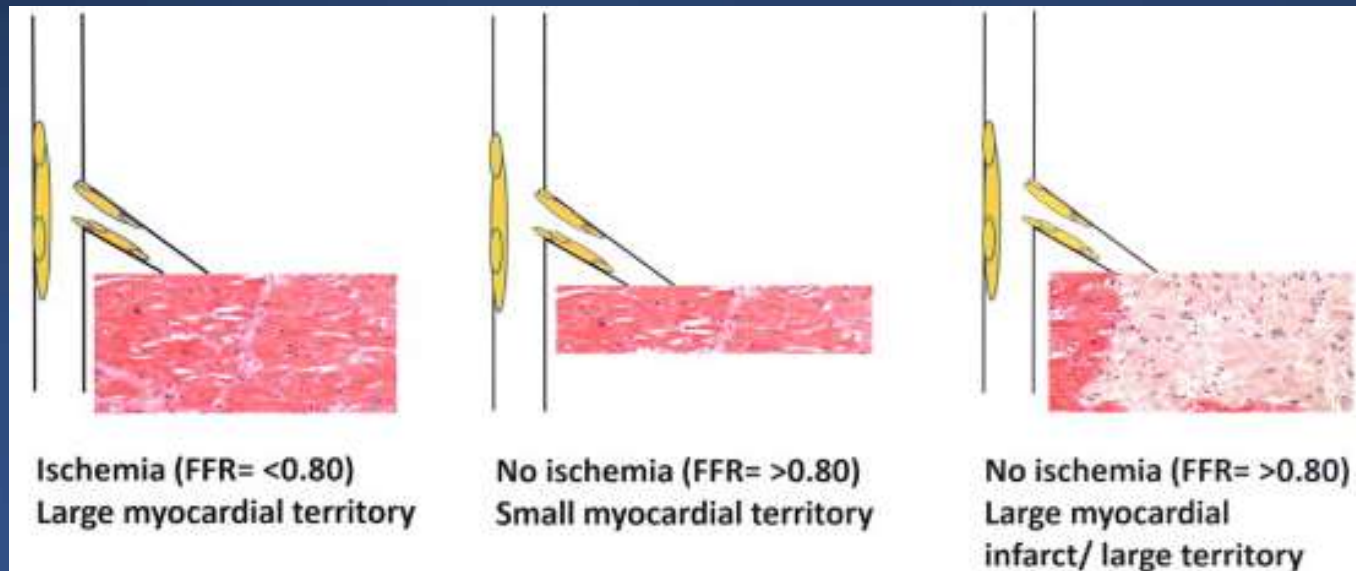
Post-stenting LCX Stenosis



Kang et al. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2014;83:542-52

Why Mismatch?

- Lesion eccentricity of SB
- Negative remodeling of ostium
- Various size of myocardium
- Strut artifacts
- Focal carina shift

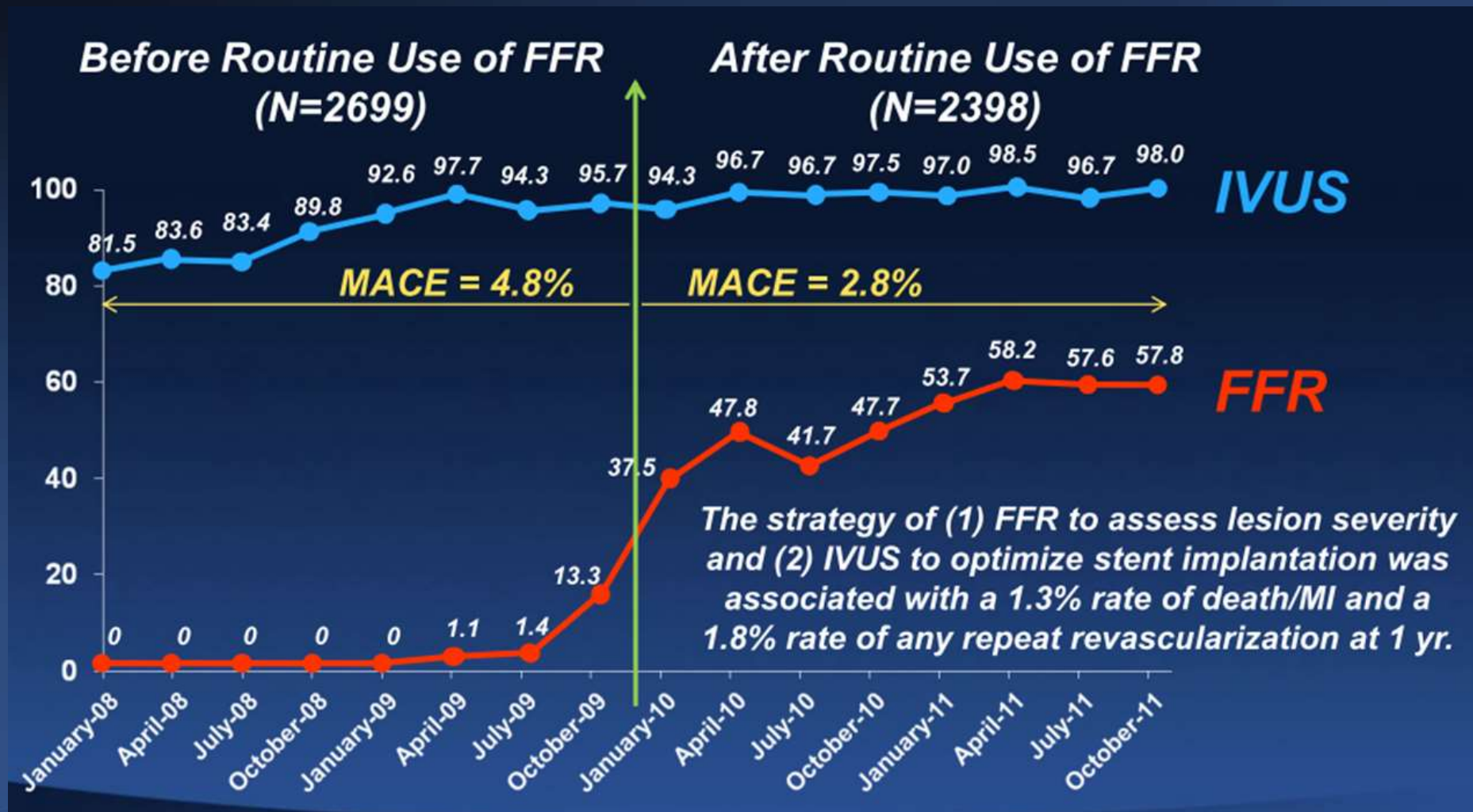


Sachdeva et al. Am J Cardiol 2011;107:1794-5

The Use of FFR

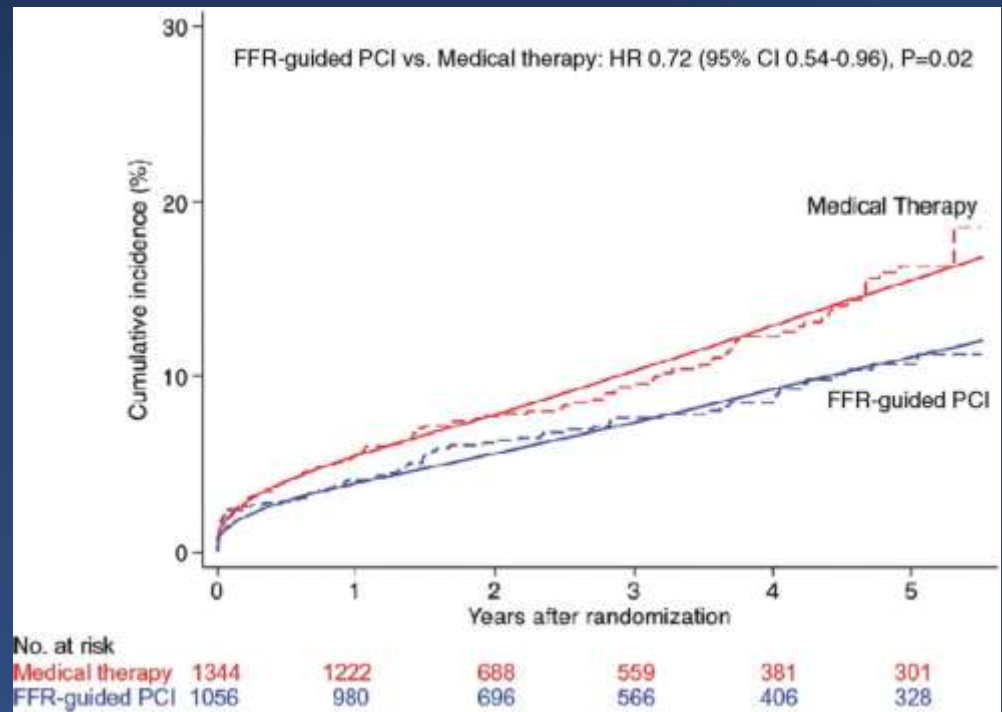
- Single Vessel Stenting
- Multivessel Stenting
- Complex Bifurcation Stenting
- Full Metal Jacket
- Deferral of PCI under OMT
- Single Vessel Stenting
- Simple Bifurcation Stenting
- Selected Stent Implantation

Between Jan 2008 and Dec 2011, 5097 pts underwent PCI at Asan Medical Center, Seoul, Korea and were followed for 1 year



FFR-Guided Multivessel Angioplasty in SCAD

- Stable coronary artery disease
- Meta-analysis of 3 randomized control trials
 - FAME 2 study
 - DANAMI-3-PRIMULTI
 - Compare-Acute
- Primary composite end-point : cardiac death or MI
HR 0.72 (95% CI 0.54-0.96)



FFR-Guided Multivessel Angioplasty in Myocardial Infarction

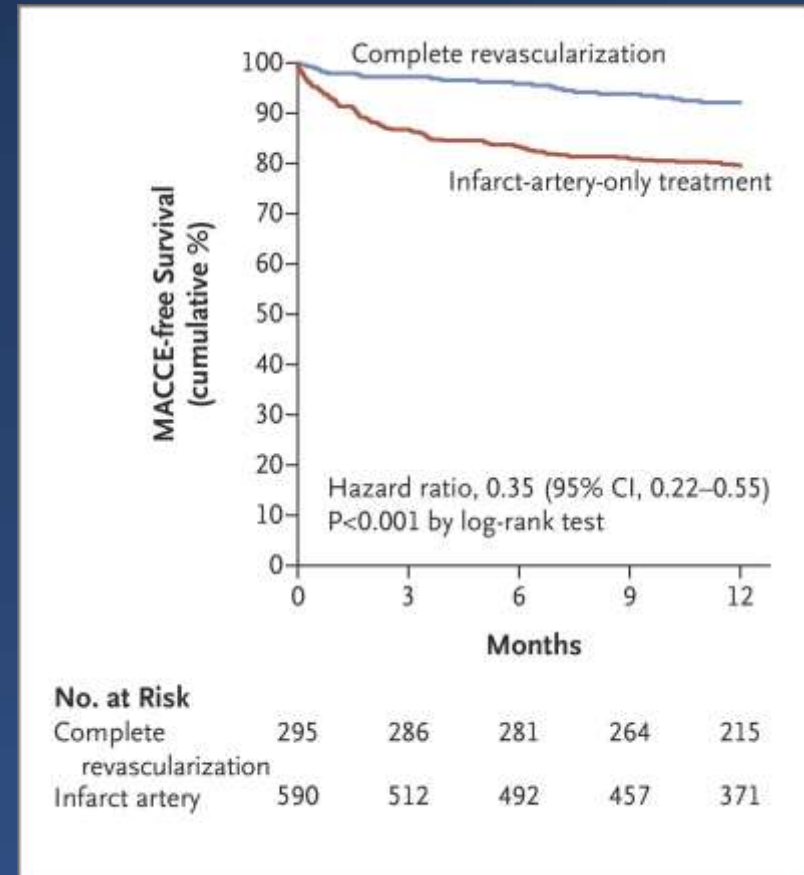
COMPARE-ACUTE trial

- 885 patients with STEMI and multivessel
- underwent primary PCI
- Randomization(1:2)

Complete revascularization of non–infarct-related coronary arteries guided by FFR (295 patients)

VS

No revascularization of non–infarct-related coronary arteries (590 patients)



Smits PC et al. N Engl J Med 2017;376:1234-1244

FFR-Guided Multivessel Angioplasty in STEMI

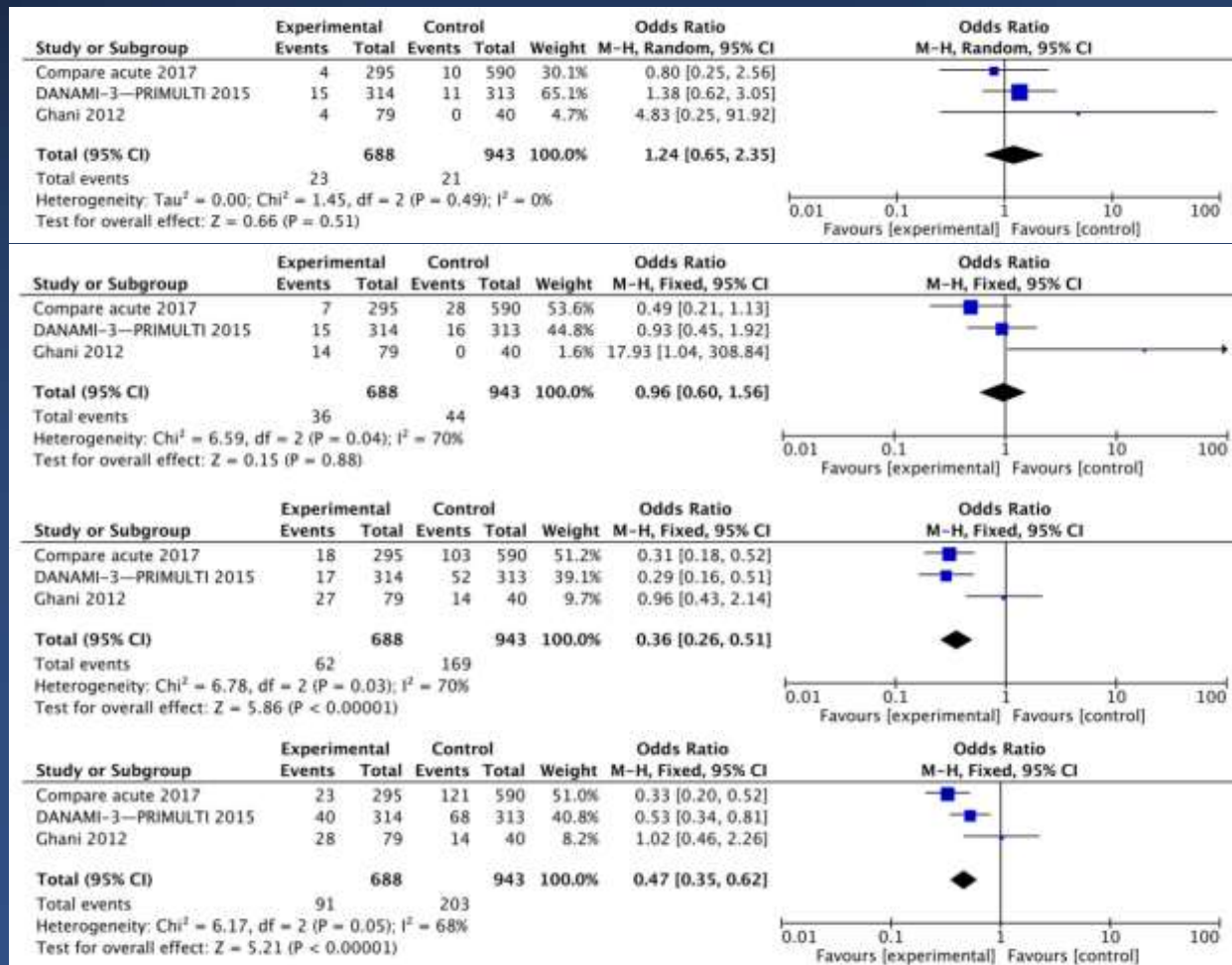
Complete revascularization by FFR vs culprit only revascularization

All cause mortality
HR 1.24 [0.65-2.35]

Non-fatal MI
HR 0.96 [0.60-1.56]

Repeat revascularization
HR 0.36 [0.26-0.51]

MACE
HR 0.47 [0.35-0.62]



Pitfalls with Pressure Measurement

- Introducer needle
- Height of the fluid-filled transducer
- Equalization
- Hyperemia
- Drift
- Guiding catheter wedging
- Side holes
- Whipping
- Accordion effect

Instantaneous wave-Free Ratio (iFR)

$$\Delta P = \Delta Q \times R \longrightarrow \Delta P \approx \Delta Q \times R$$

Changes in pressure across a stenosis

under constant and minimized coronary resistance can be a surrogate for blood flow to myocardium.

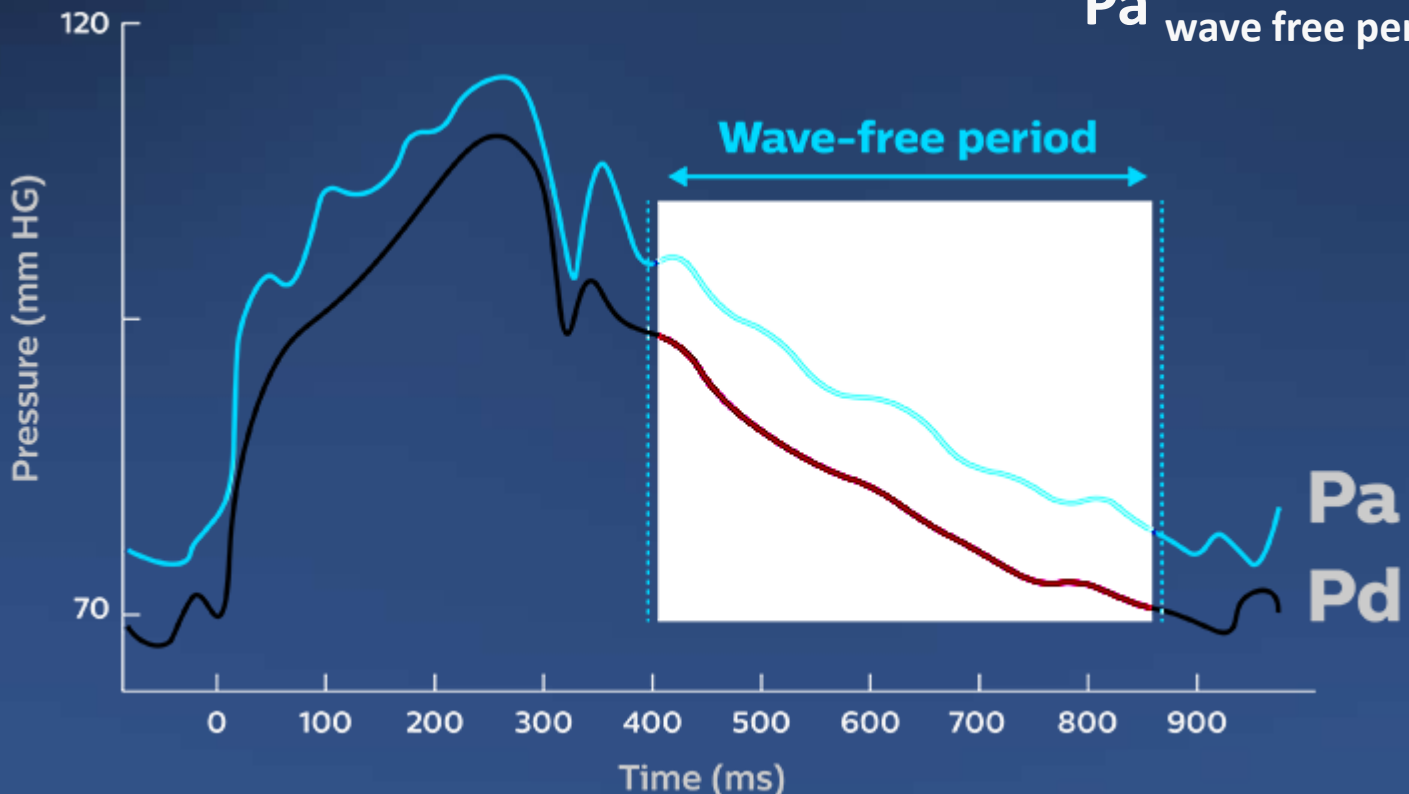
For minimizing intracoronary resistance during measurement

- FFR : adenosine infusion, average over several cycles
- iFR : **wave free period**, instantaneous pressure

Instantaneous wave-Free Ratio (iFR)

- Wave free period ; resistance naturally constant and minimized in the cardiac cycle

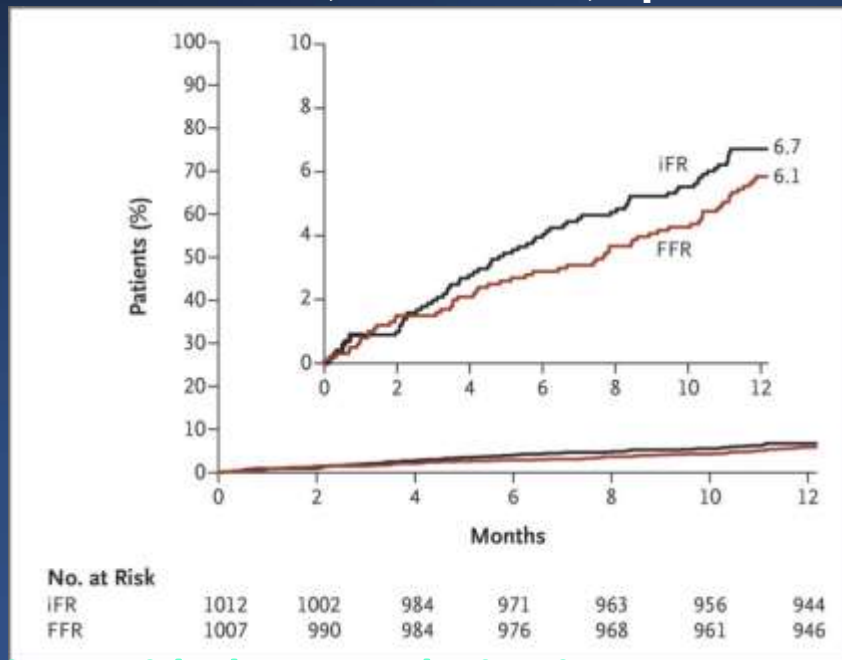
$$iFR = \frac{Pd_{\text{wave free period}}}{Pa_{\text{wave free period}}}$$



iFR vs FFR to Guide PCI

iFR-SWEDEHEART trial

- 2037 participants with stable angina or an acute coronary syndrome
- Underwent coronary revascularization
- Randomization (1:1)
- a multicenter, controlled, open-label clinical trial



iFR-guided
VS
FFR-guided

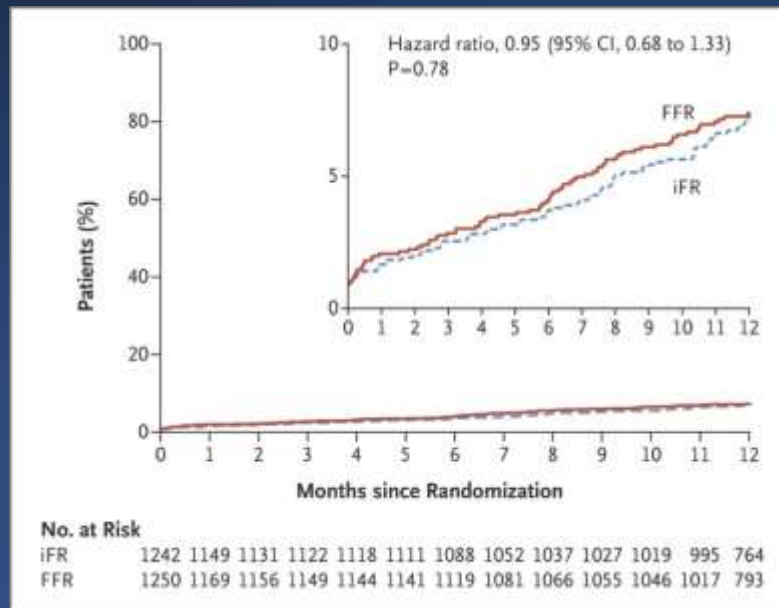
An iFR-guided revascularization strategy was noninferior to an FFR-guided revascularization strategy with respect to the rate of MACE(1yr)

Göteborg M et al. *N Engl J Med* 2017. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1616540

Use of the Instantaneous Wave-free Ratio

DEFINE-FLAIR trial

- 2492 patients with coronary artery disease
- Underwent coronary revascularization
- Randomization (1:1)
- a multicenter, international, blinded trial



iFR-guided
VS
FFR-guided

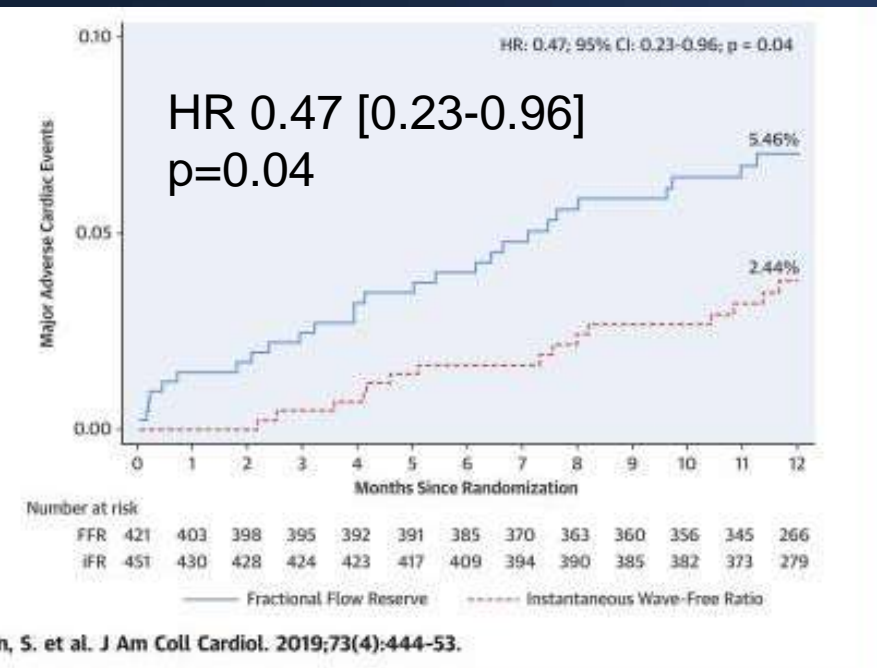
Coronary revascularization guided by iFR was noninferior to revascularization guided by FFR with respect to the risk of MACE(1yr)

Davies JE et al. N Engl J Med 2017. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1700445

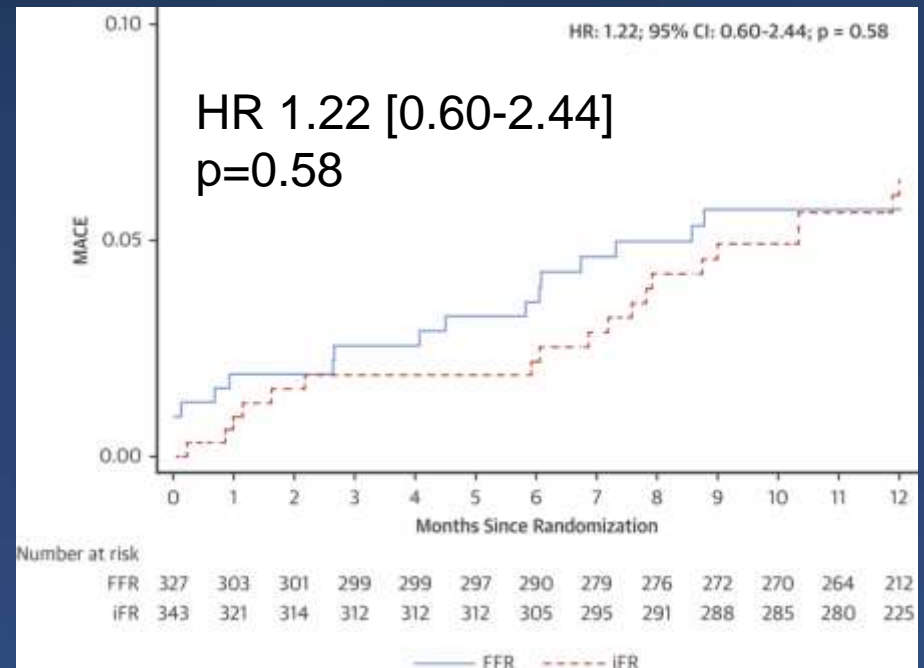
iFR vs FFR in LAD lesions

DEFINE-FLAIR trial sub-study

LAD lesion



Non-LAD lesion

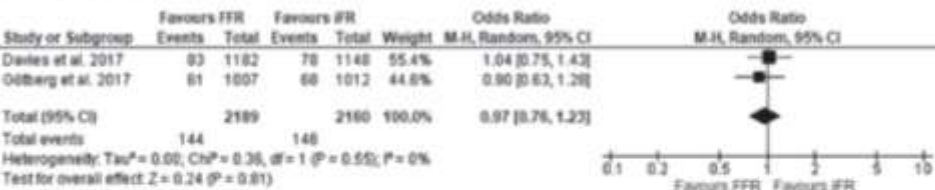


iFR vs FFR to Guide PCI

META-ANALYSIS OF ANGIOGRAPHY, IFR AND FFR GUIDED PCI

FFR vs. iFR guided revascularization

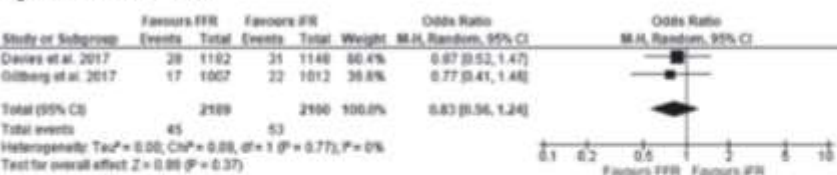
Major adverse cardiac events



Death from any cause



Myocardial infarction



Unplanned revascularization



iFR-SWEDHEART study
DEFINE-FLAIR study

significant lower numbers in chest discomfort ($P < 0.001$) when using iFR

There is no significant superiority of FFR over iFR

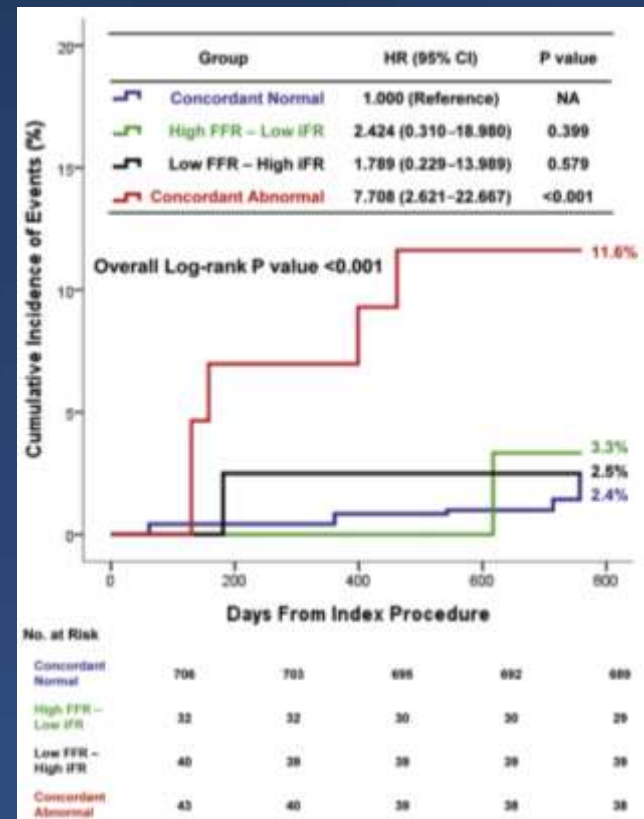
Baumann et al. *Exp Ther Med.* 2019 Mar;17(3):1939-1951. doi: 10.3892/etm.2019.7156. Epub 2019 Jan 7.

iFR vs FFR concordance

3V FFR-FRIENDS substudy

- Comparison of 2-Year Clinical Outcomes of Lesions Classified by FFR and iFR in Deferred Lesions
- 821 deferred lesion (n=374)
- Primary outcome : MACE at 2 years
- Group 1 : FFR > 0.80 and iFR > 0.89
- Group 2 : FFR > 0.80 and iFR ≤ 0.89
- Group 3 : FFR ≤ 0.80 and iFR > 0.89
- Group 4 : FFR ≤ 0.80 and iFR ≤ 0.89

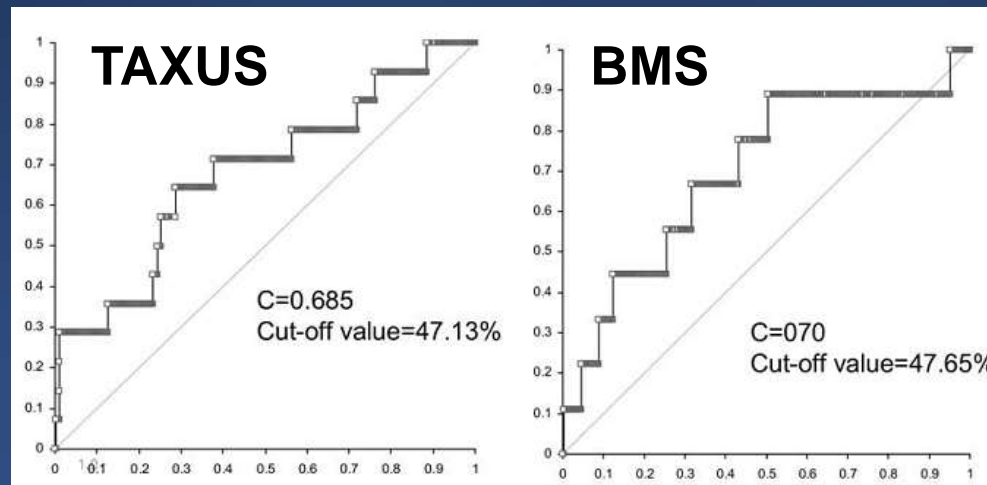
The discordant results between FFR and iFR were not associated with the increased risk of MACE. The risk of MACE was significantly increased only in lesions with abnormal results of both FFR and iFR.



IVUS

Residual Plaque Predicts Edge Restenosis

	Population	DES	F/U time	Predictor
SIRIUS¹	6 edge restenosis vs. 162 controls	SES	8 mo	Ref segment PB 60% vs. 41% (p<0.01)
TAXUS²	276 edge stenosis	PES	9 mo	Ref segment PB 47%



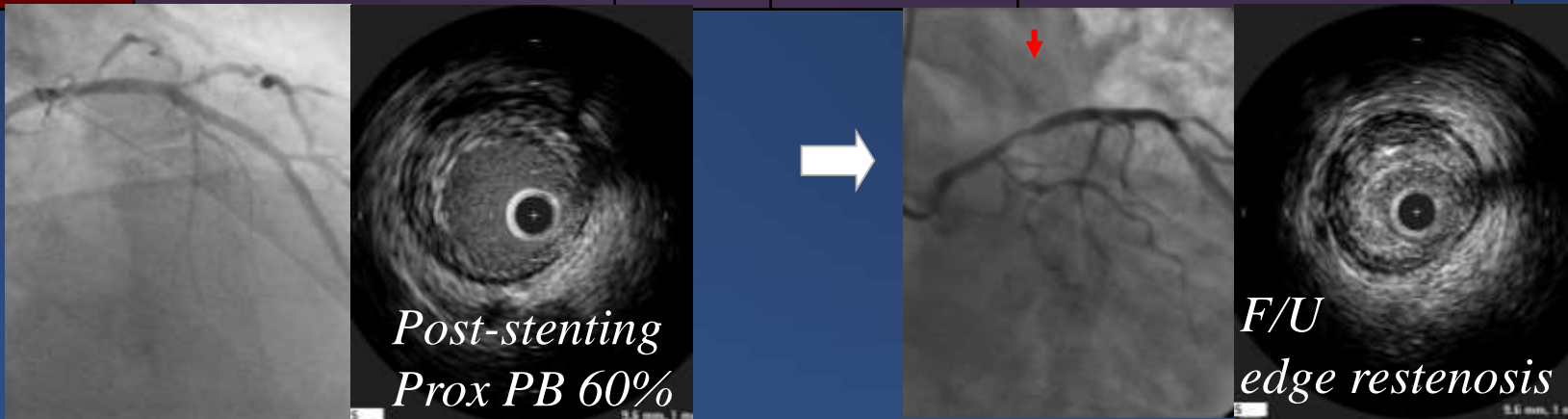
predict 9-mo edge restenosis

¹ Am J Cardiol 2005;96:1251-3

² Liu et al. Am J Cardiol 2009;103:501-6

Residual Plaque Predicts DES Thrombosis

	Population	DES	Endpoint	Predictor
Fujii¹	15 ST vs. 45 controls	SES	ST <1 mo	Ref. PB 62% vs. 46%
Okabe²	13 ST vs. 27 controls	DES	ST <1 yr	Ref. PB 66% vs. 56%
Liu³ ↓	20 ST vs. 50 controls	DES	ST <1 yr	Ref. PB 57% vs. 38%

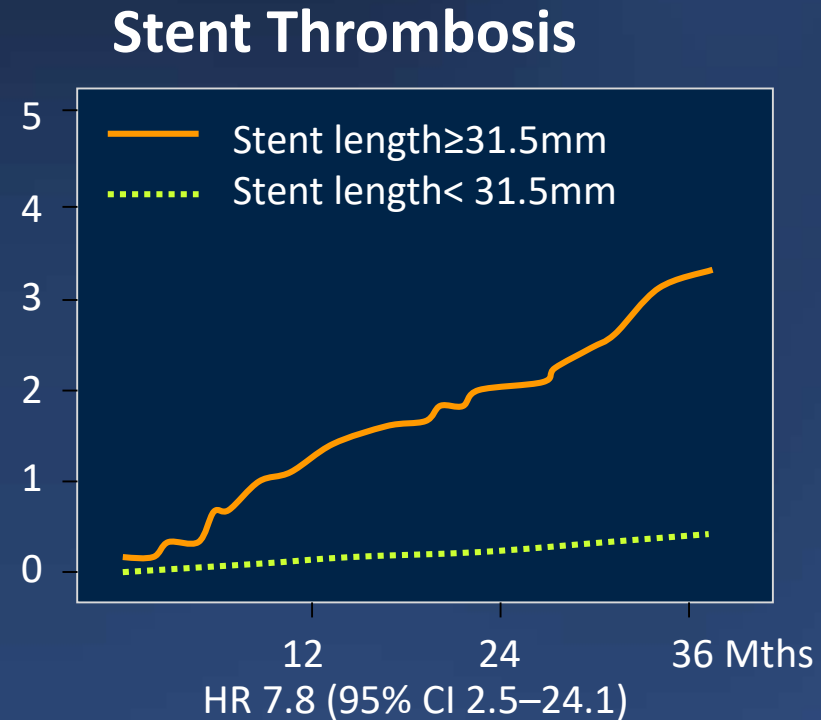
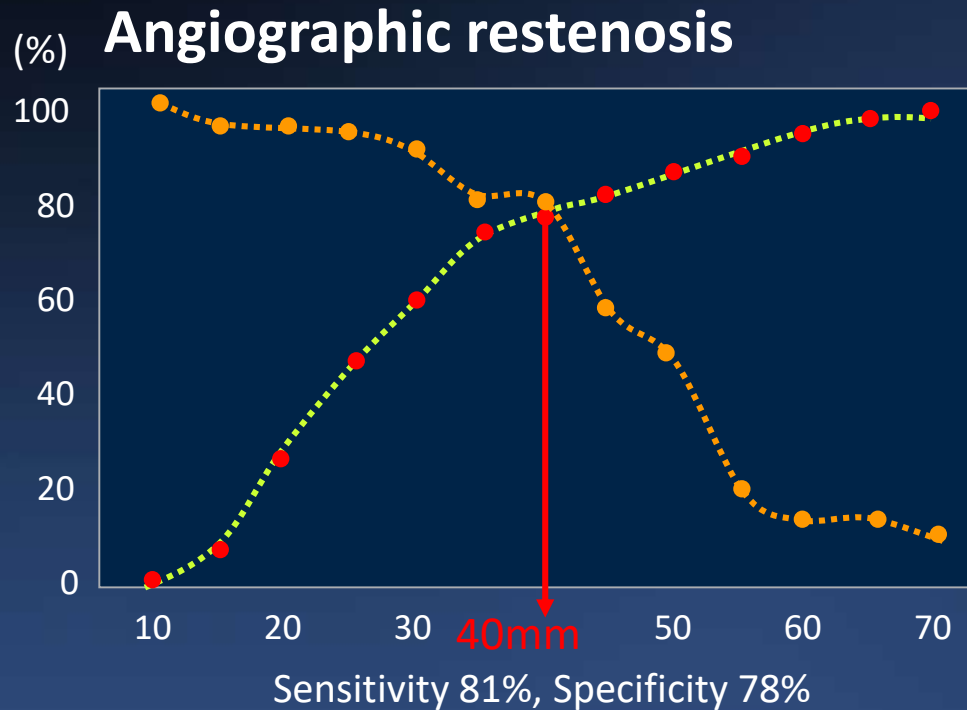


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² Okabe et al. *Am J Cardiol* 2007;100:615-20

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Stent Length Predicts DES Failure



IVUS-guided PCI is necessary to achieve full lesion coverage and to avoid the waste of stent

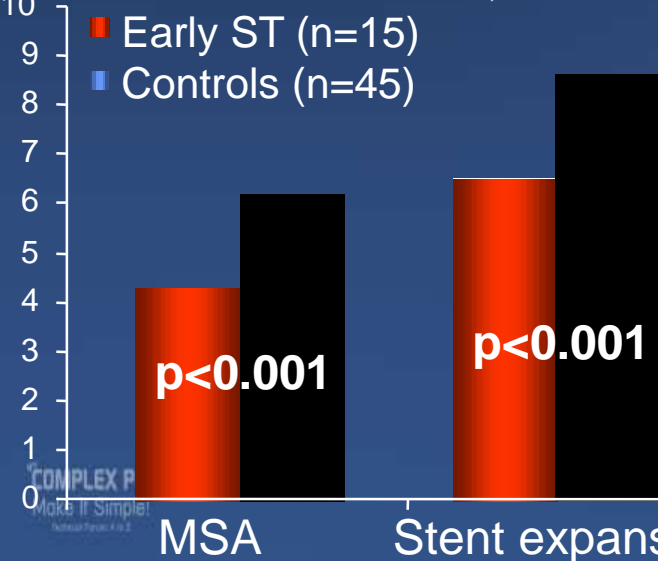
Hong et al. Eur Heart J 2006;27:1305-10

Suh et al. JACC interv 2010;3:383-9

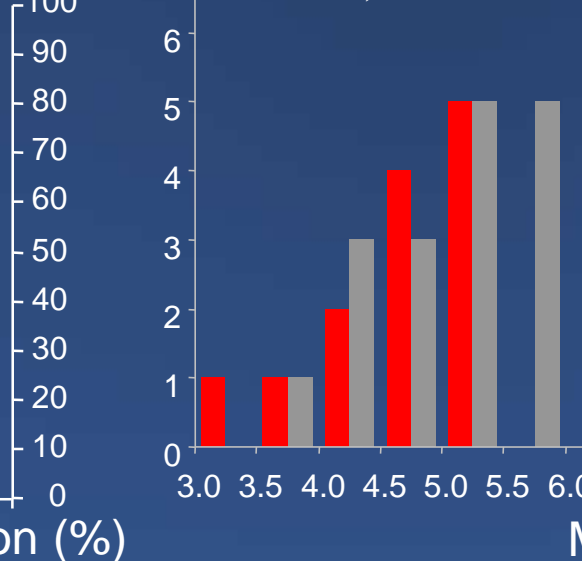
Underexpansion Predicts DES Restenosis

	Population	DES	Endpoint	Rate of Underexpansion
Fujii ¹	15 ST vs. 45 controls	SES	ST <1 month	<5.0mm ² in 80% vs. 29%
Okabe ²	13 ST vs. 27 controls	DES	ST <1 year	<5.0mm ² in 79% vs. 40%
Liu ³	20 ST vs. 50 controls	DES	ST <1 year	<5.0mm ² in 85% vs. 26%

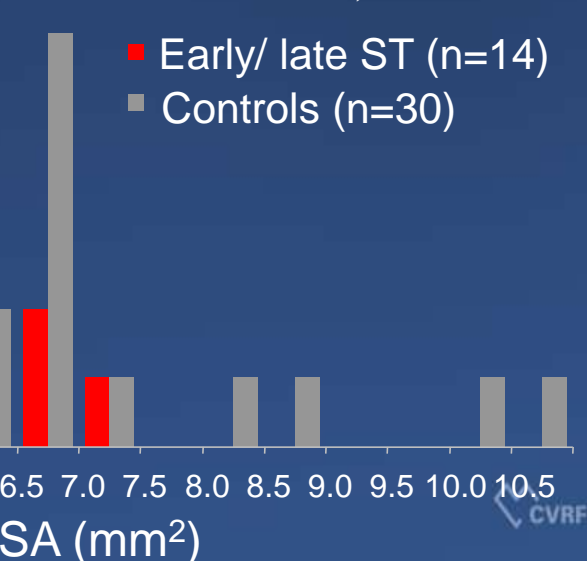
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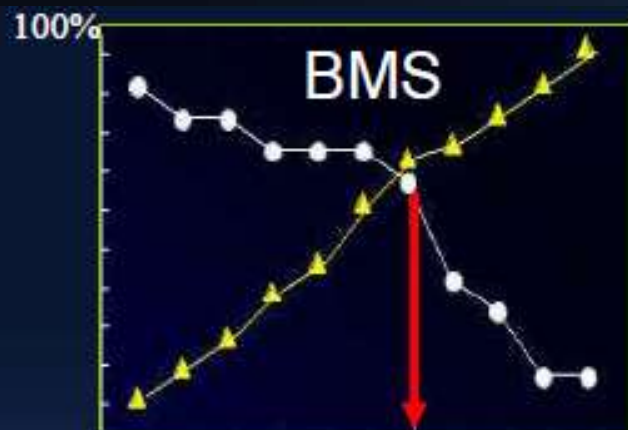
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Underexpansion Predicts DES Restenosis



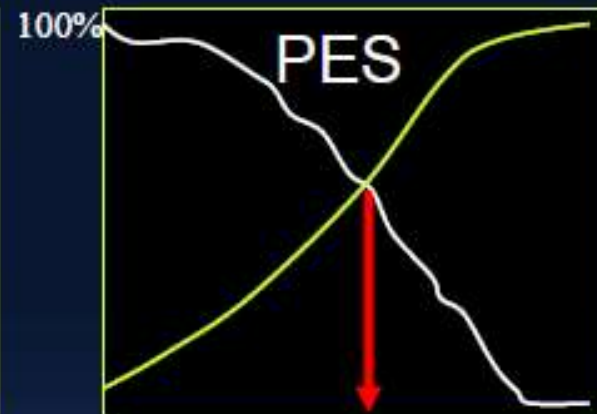
MSA 6.5mm²

Predictive value 56%



MSA 5.0mm²

Predictive value 90%

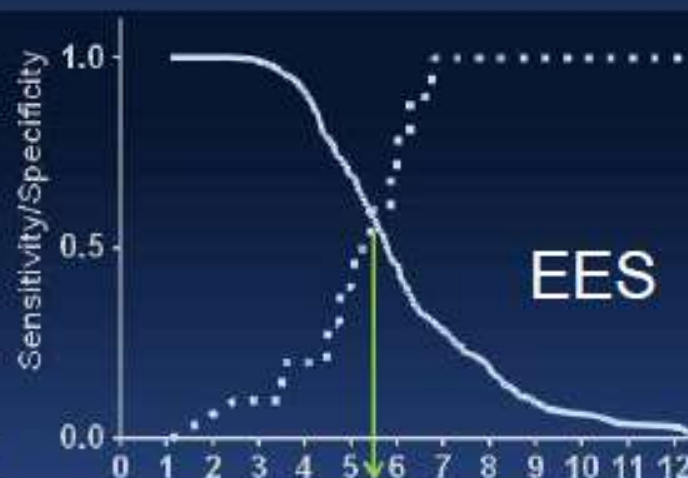


MSA 5.7mm²

*Eur Heart J 2006;27:1305-10
JACC Interv 2009;2:1269-75*



MSA 5.3mm²

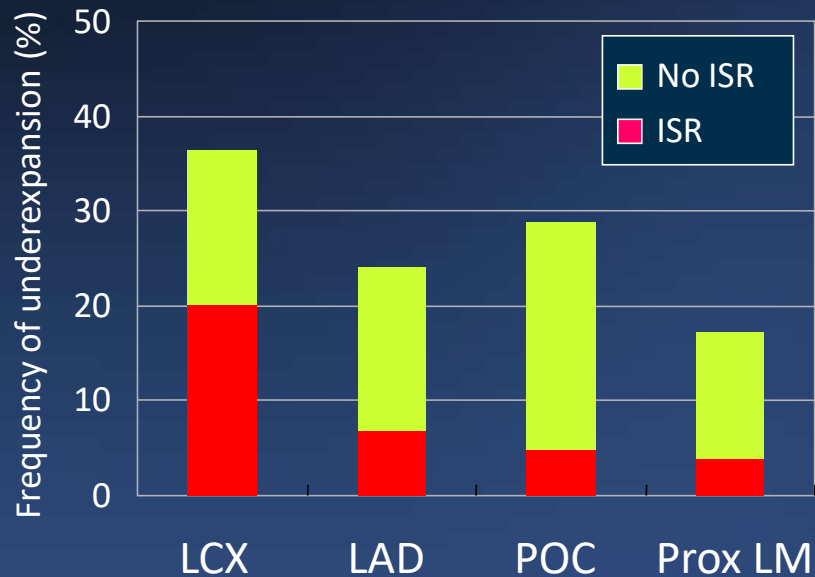


MSA 5.4mm²

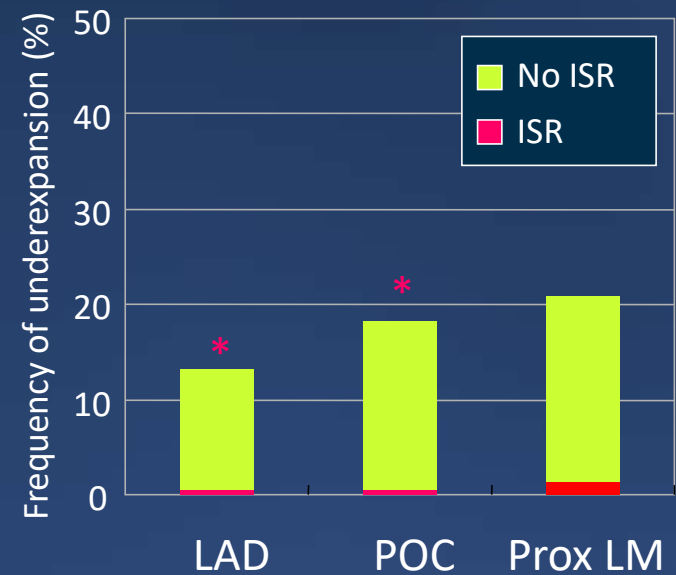
Frequency of Underexpansion and ISR

33.8% had underexpansion of at least one stented segment

Two-stent



Single-stent



* single-stent vs. two-stent, $p < 0.05$

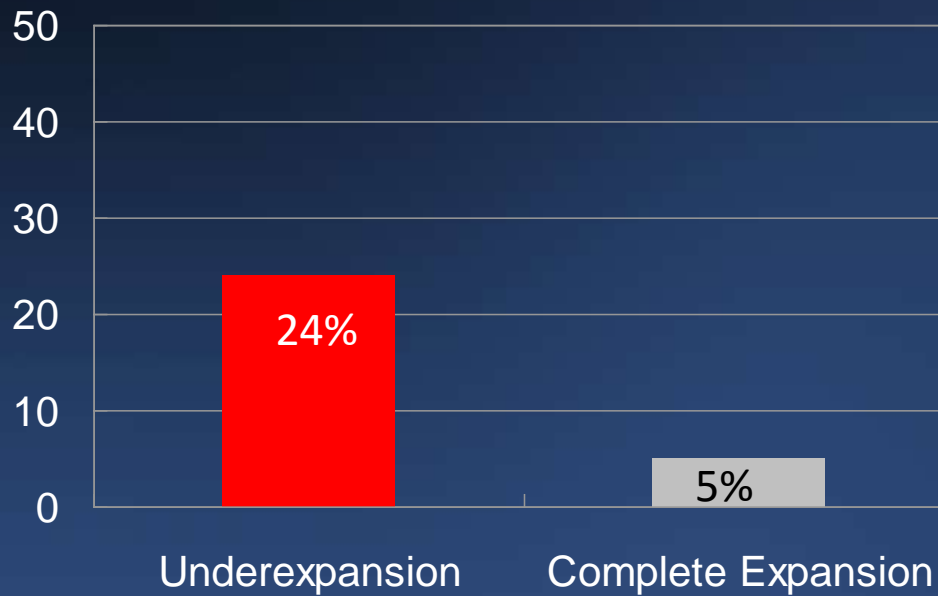
54% had underexpansion in at least one of the 4 stented segments

27% had underexpansion in at least one of the 3 stented segments

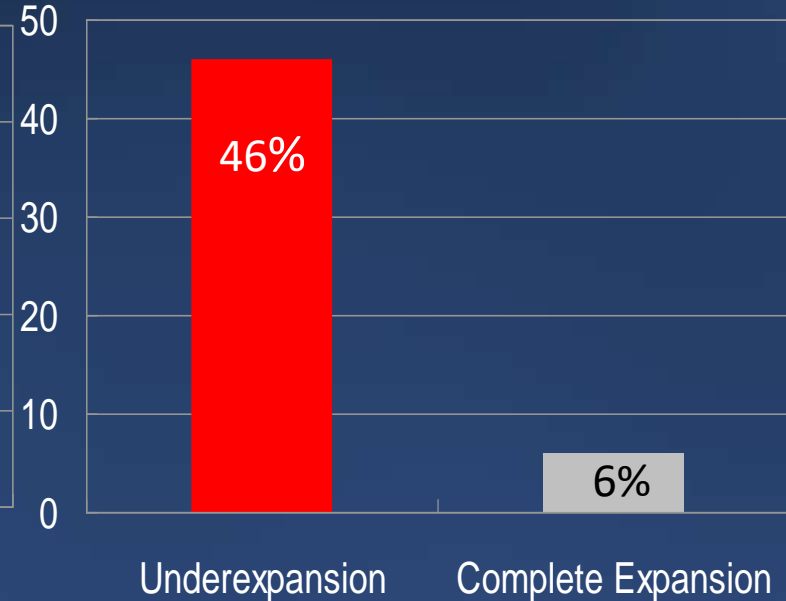
Frequency of ISR in LM Lesions

with vs without Underexpansion

Overall lesions



Two-stent

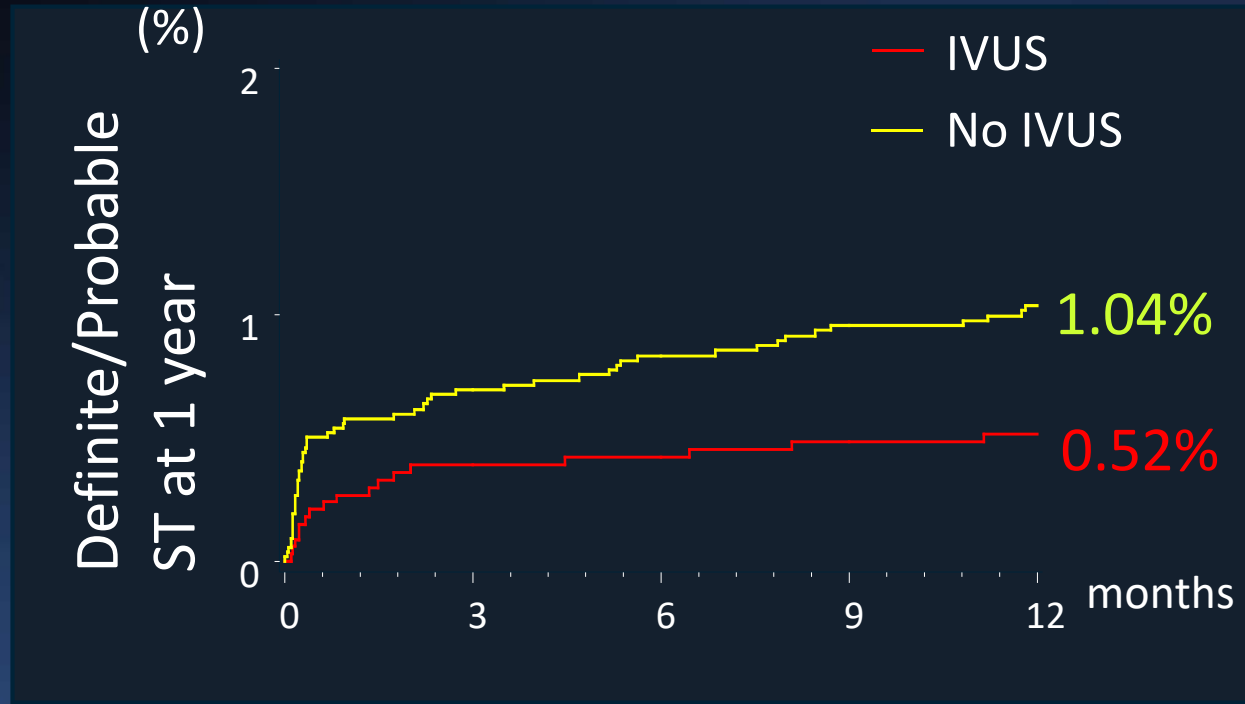


Underexpansion of at least 1 segment

Adequate expansion at all sites

Kang et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv 2011 2011;4:1168-74

ADAPT-DES 1-year Outcomes



p=0.01
HR 0.50
95%CI 0.29-0.86

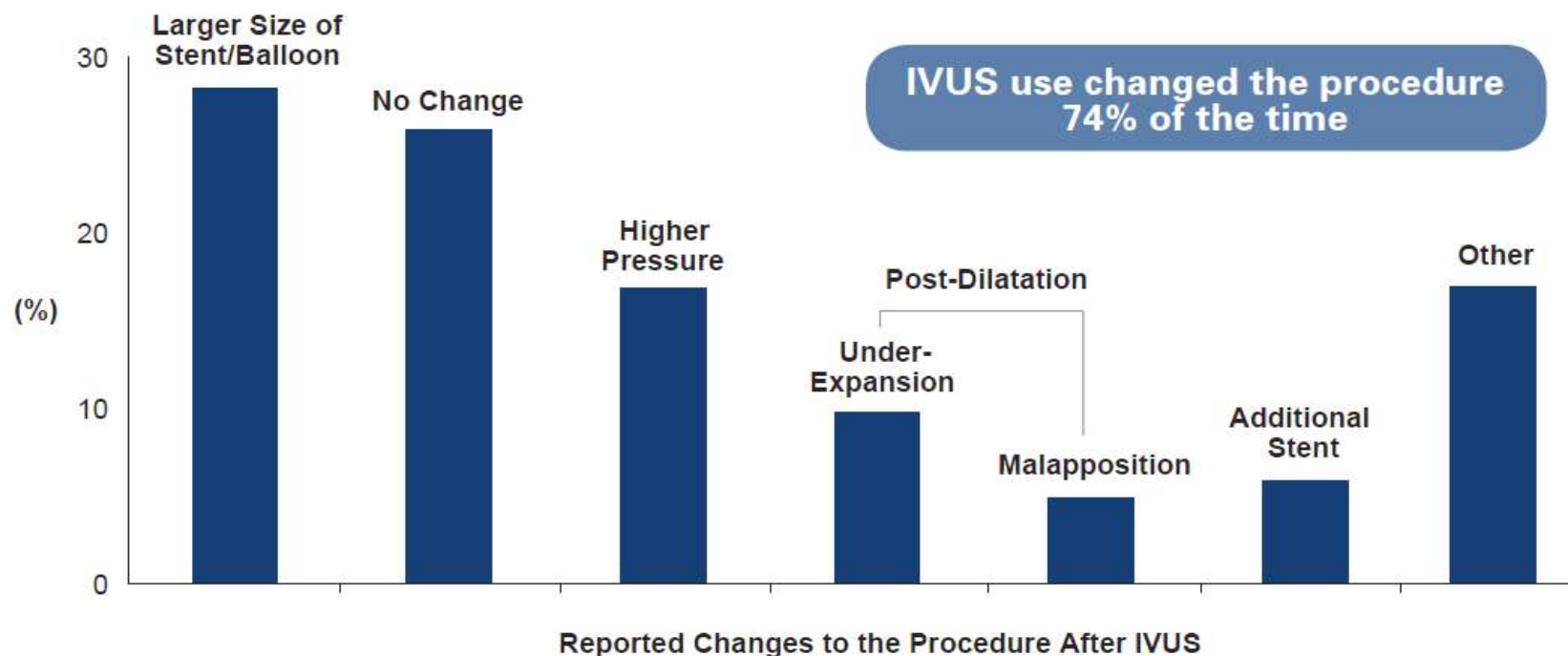
	IVUS n = 3349	No IVUS n = 5234	p Value
Definite/probable ST	0.52% (17)	1.04% (53)	0.011
All myocardial infarction	2.46% (81)	3.68% (188)	0.0022
Ischemic driven TVR*	2.42% (81)	3.95% (207)	0.0001

Maehara et al. 2013 TCT

ADAPT-DES 2-YEAR RESULTS

The largest prospective study of IVUS use to date

IVUS Arm Reported Improved Clinical Outcomes



- IVUS use was associated with longer stent length and larger stent size without increasing peri-procedural MI or the number of stents
- IVUS use was associated with reduction of MACE in complex lesions

ADAPT-DES 2-YEAR RESULTS

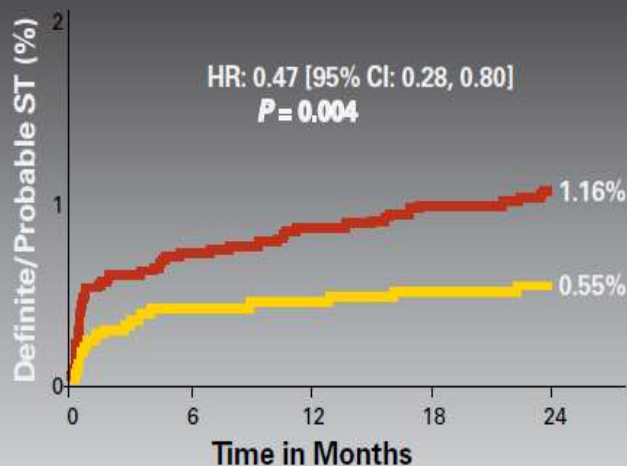
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Results From IVUS and No IVUS Study Arms

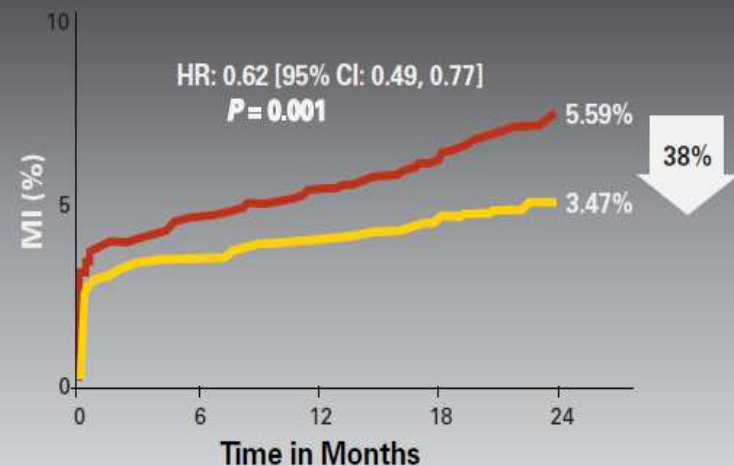
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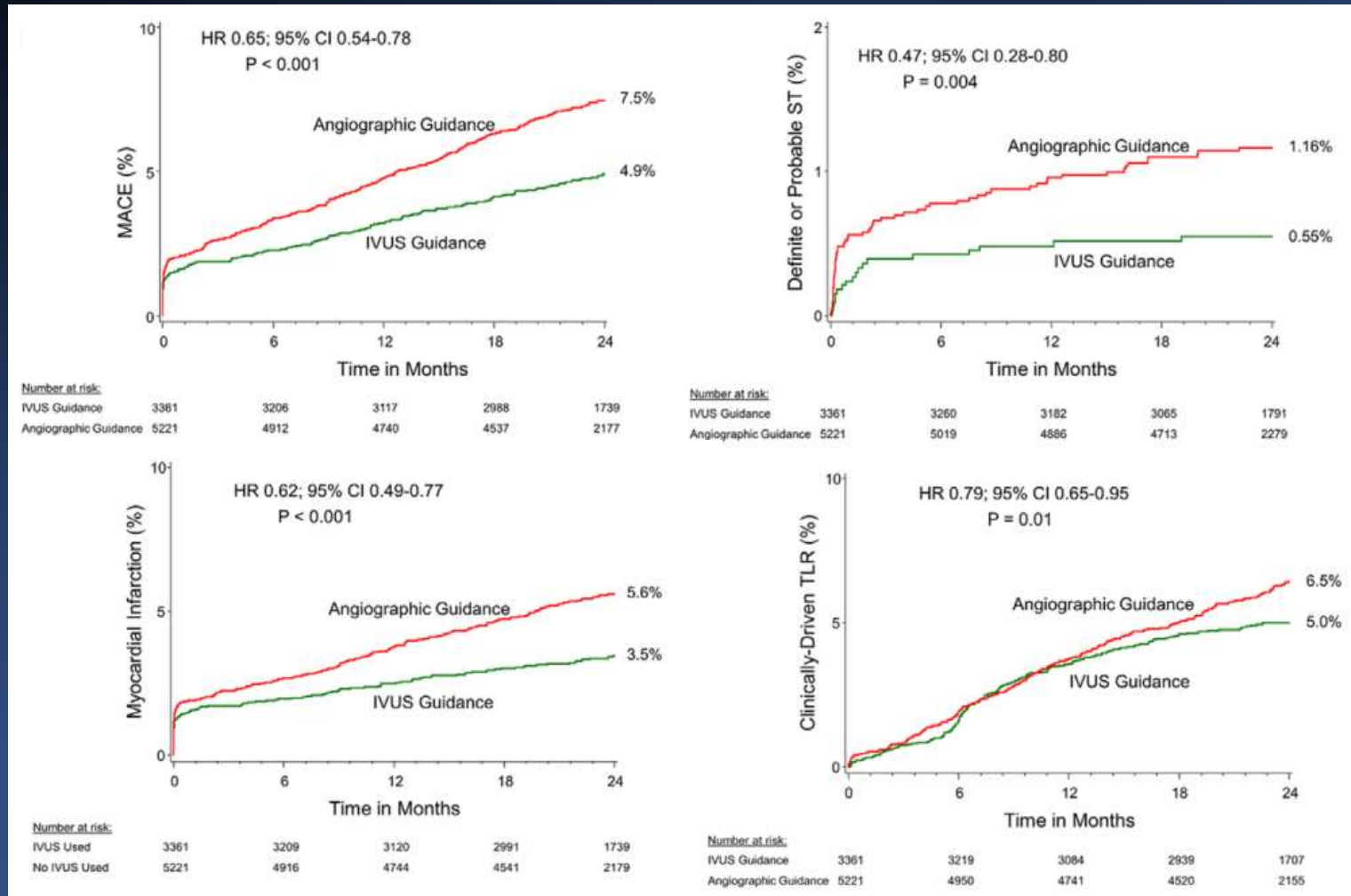
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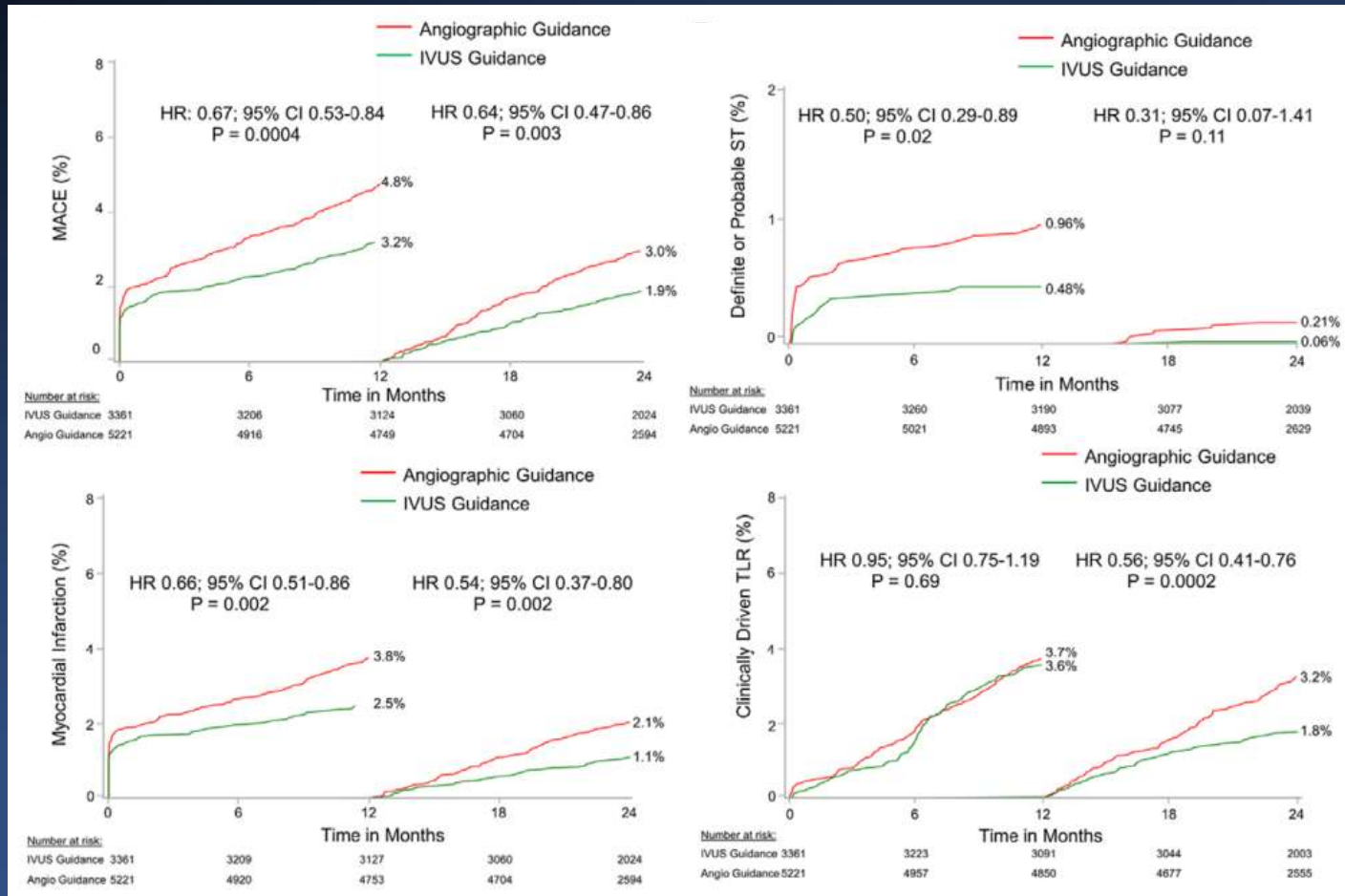
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Landmark analysis between 1 and 2 year

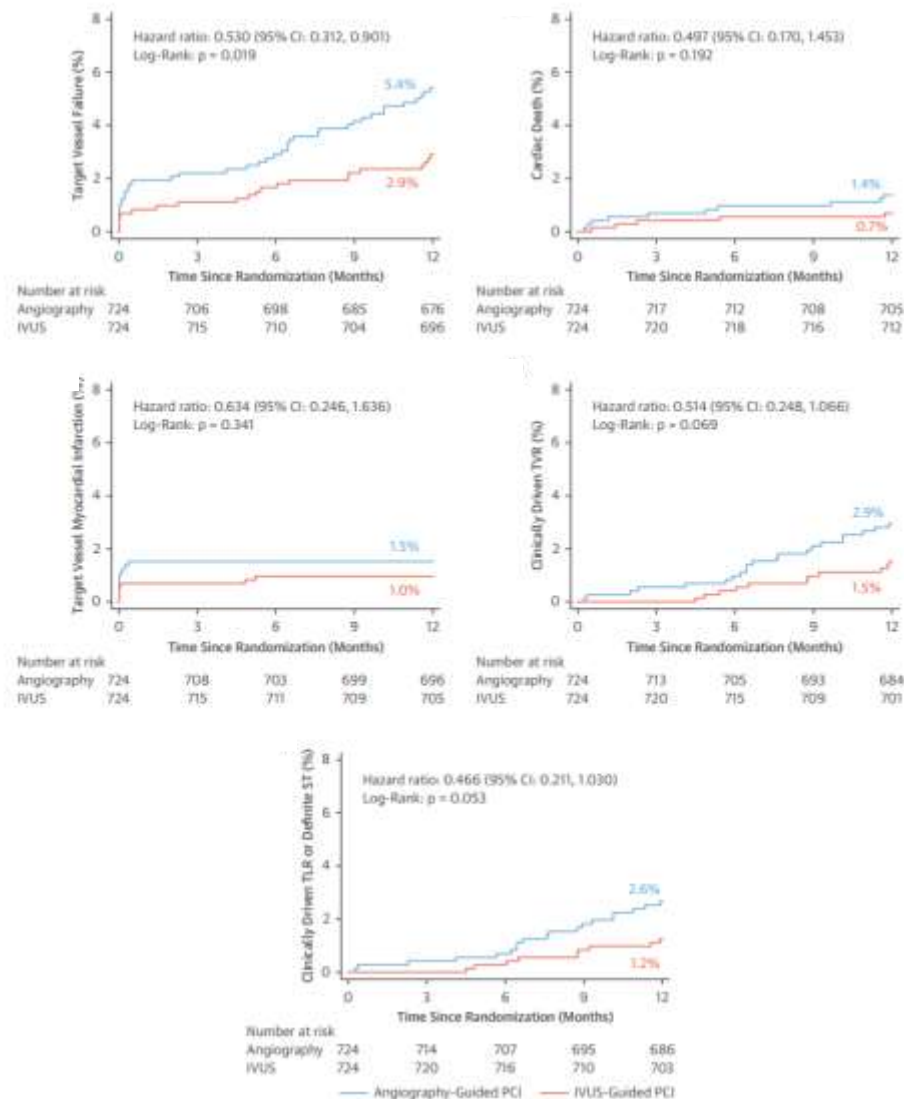


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IVUS vs angio-guided DES

The ULTIMATE trial

	IVUS guidance	Angiography guidance	p value
Number	1.81 ± 0.80	1.76 ± 0.77	0.16
Stent diameter	3.14 ± 0.51	2.97 ± 0.48	<0.001
Stent length, mm	49.99 ± 25.10	47.38 ± 22.42	0.02
Minimum stent diameter, mm	3.73 ± 0.56	3.51 ± 0.53	<0.001
Minimum dilation pressure, atm	19.7 ± 3.7	19.0 ± 3.7	<0.001



IVUS vs angio-guided DES

Meta-analysis

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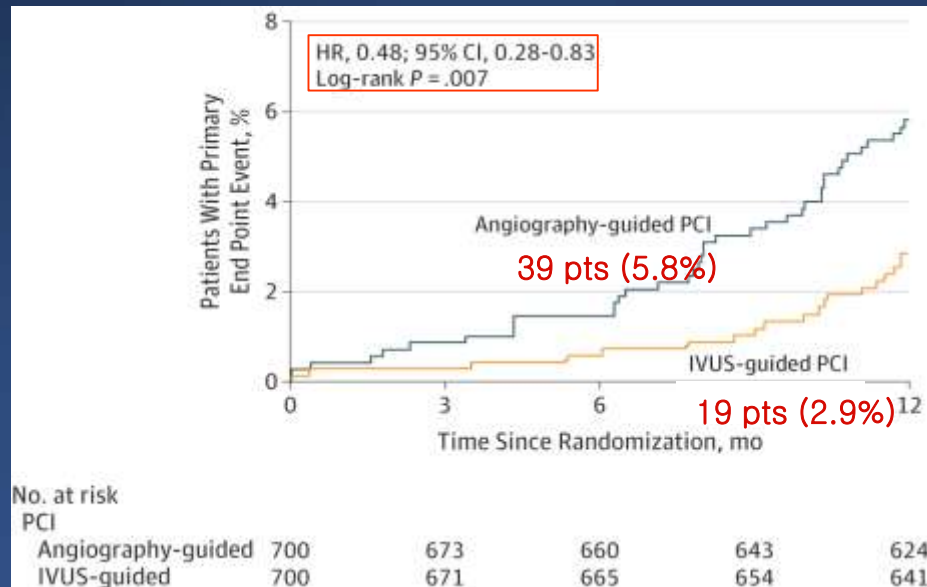
	IVUS vs angiography
Primary endpoints	
All cause mortality	0.75 [0.58-0.98]
Secondary endpoints	
MACE	0.79 [0.67-0.91]
Cardiovascular death	0.47 [0.32-0.66]
MI	0.72 [0.52-0.93]
TLR	0.74 [0.58-0.90]
ST	0.42 [0.20-0.72]

Buccheri et al. ACC Cardiovasc Interv. 2017 Dec 26;10(24):2488-2498

IVUS-XPL Randomized Clinical Trial

Effect of IVUS-Guided vs Angiography-Guided Everolimus-Eluting Stent Implantation

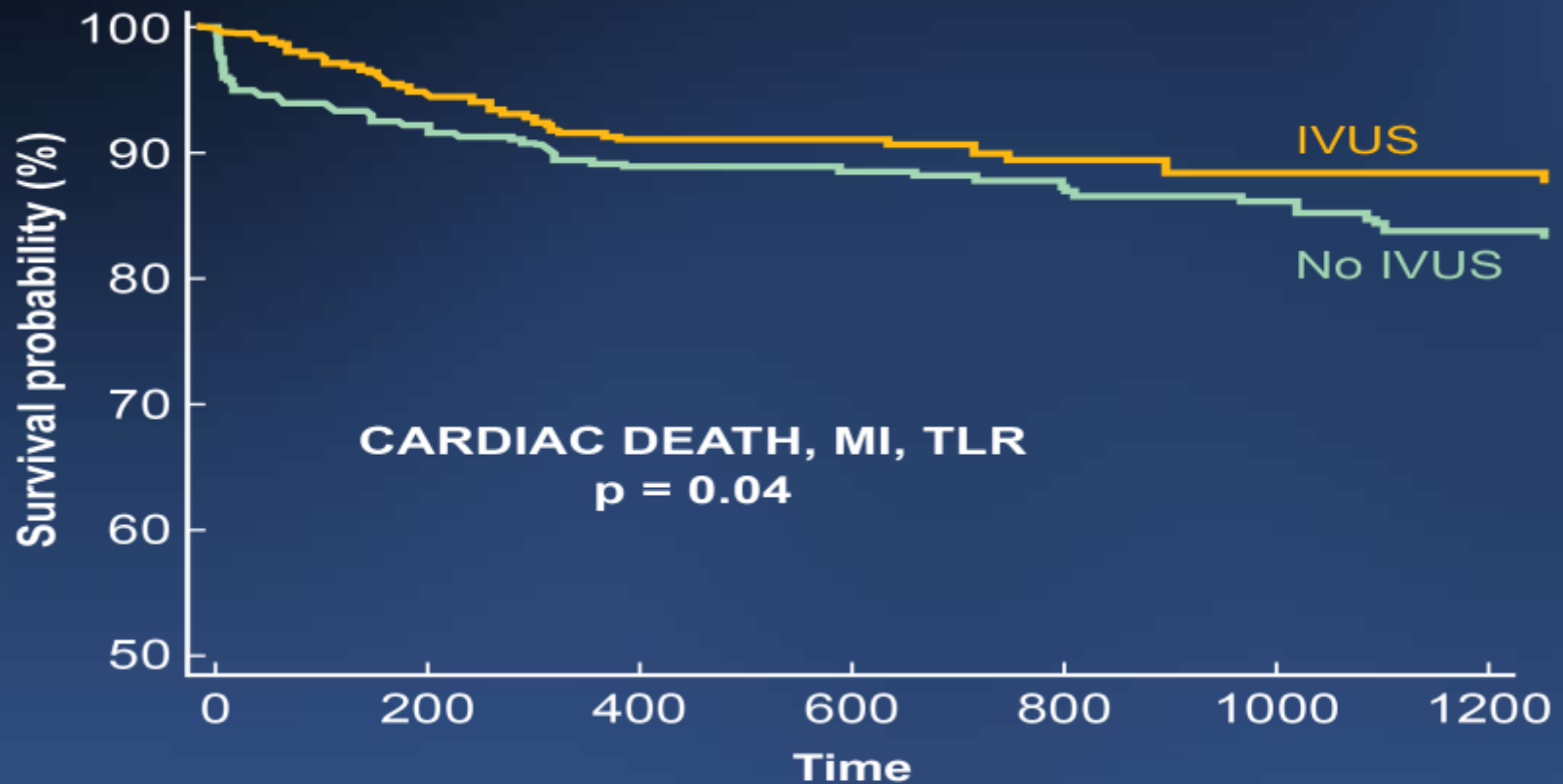
- Multicenter trial
- 1400 patients with long coronary lesions (implanted stent ≥ 28 mm in length)
- 1yr follow-up
- Primary end point : MACE



Hong et al. JAMA. 2015;314(20):2155-2163

Pooled analysis

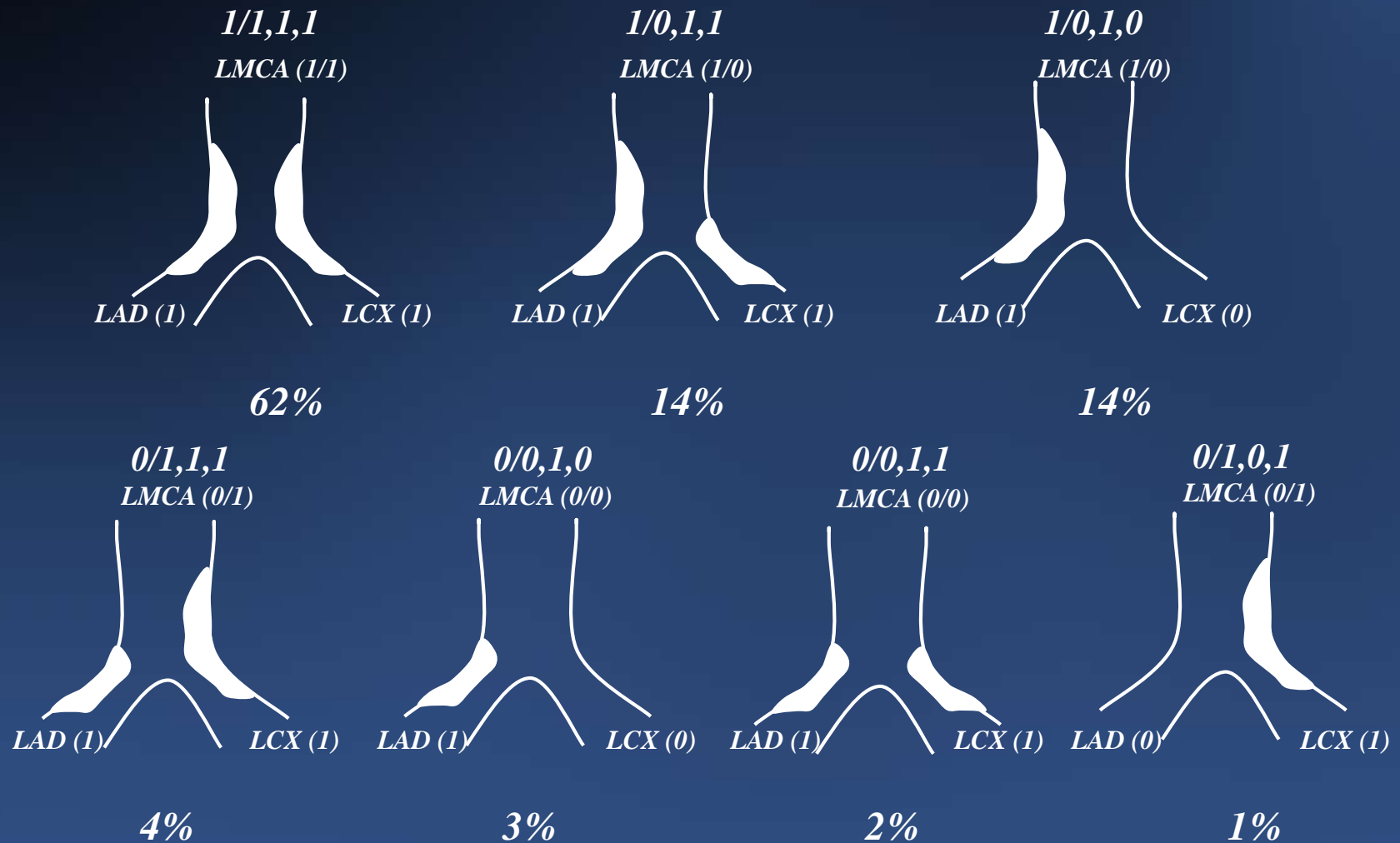
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Effectiveness of IVUS on LM PCI



Pts. at risk	365 days	730 days	1095 days
IVUS	485	286	203
No IVUS	470	275	201


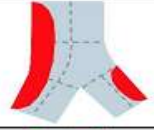
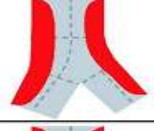
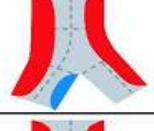
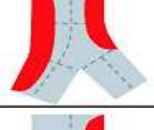
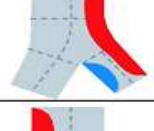
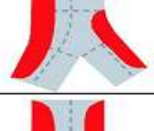
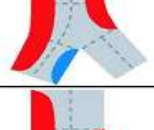

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Plaque Distribution by IVUS (n=140)



In 90% plaque extends from LMCA-LAD

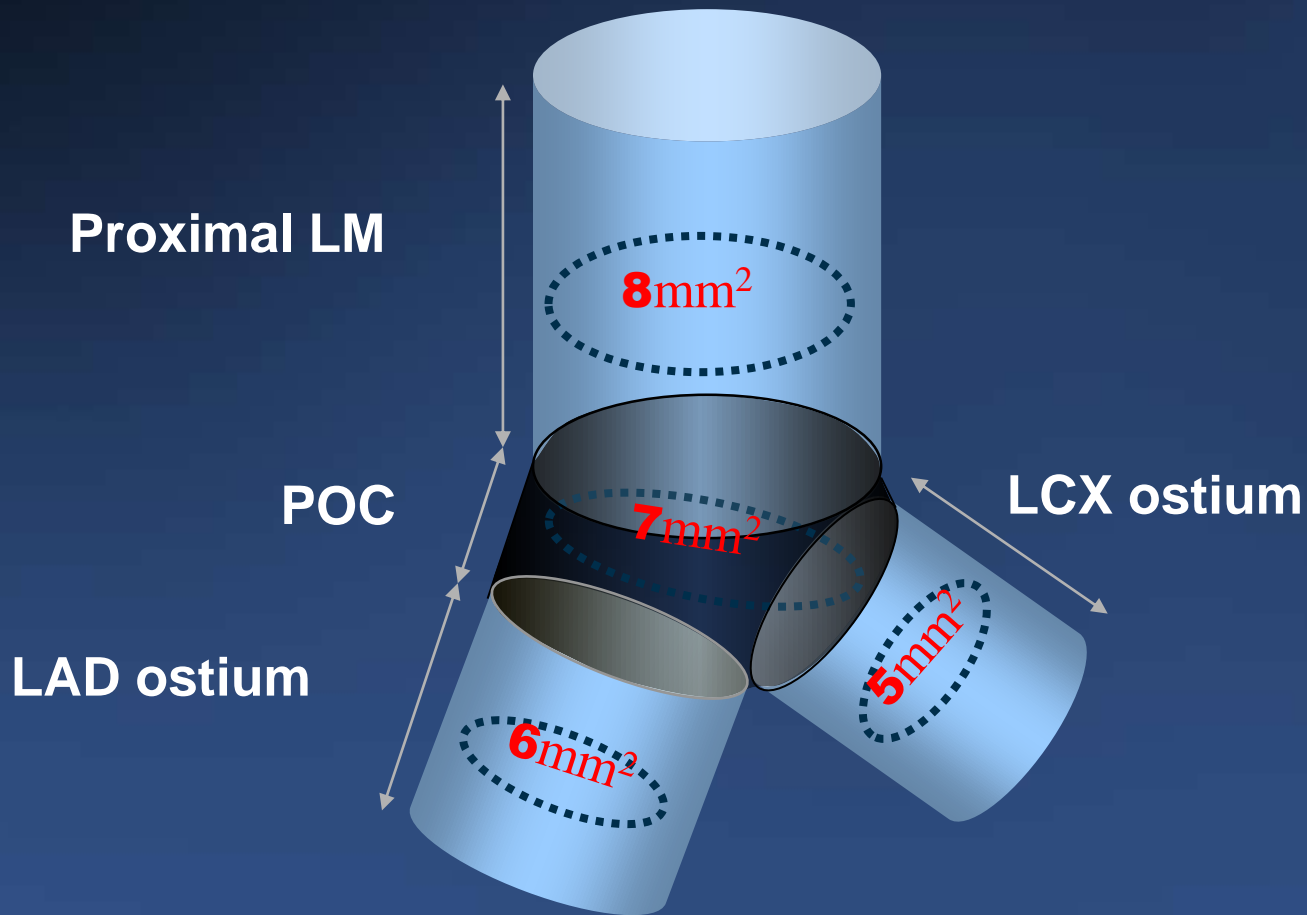
Plaque Distribution by IVUS (n=82)

	N. (%)	LAD ostium, MLA (mm ²)	POC, MLA (mm ²)	DLM, MLA (mm ²)	LCX ostium, MLA (mm ²)
	5 (6%)	4.4±2.0	9.6±4.4	8.1±4.7	3.4±1.6
	26 (32%)	4.2±2.8	5.3±2.6	4.6±1.5	3.9±2.1
	12 (15%)	2.6±1.3	4.5±1.6	4.5±2.1	3.3±2.0
	9 (11%)	4.3±2.5	5.6±3.3	5.7±3.8	7.6±3.6
	9 (11%)	3.2±1.4	6.1±2.0	4.8±2.5	3.9±1.4
	4 (5%)	3.4±1.9	5.2±1.9	5.8±4.7	3.9±2.0
	4 (5%)	2.8±0.7	5.1±2.1	5.1±2.2	6.6±1.7
	5 (6%)	3.4±1.9	5.2±2.6	5.1±3.8	4.6±2.1

*In all cases,
the LM disease
extended into LAD and
LCX continuously.*

Optimal MSA

on a segmental basis

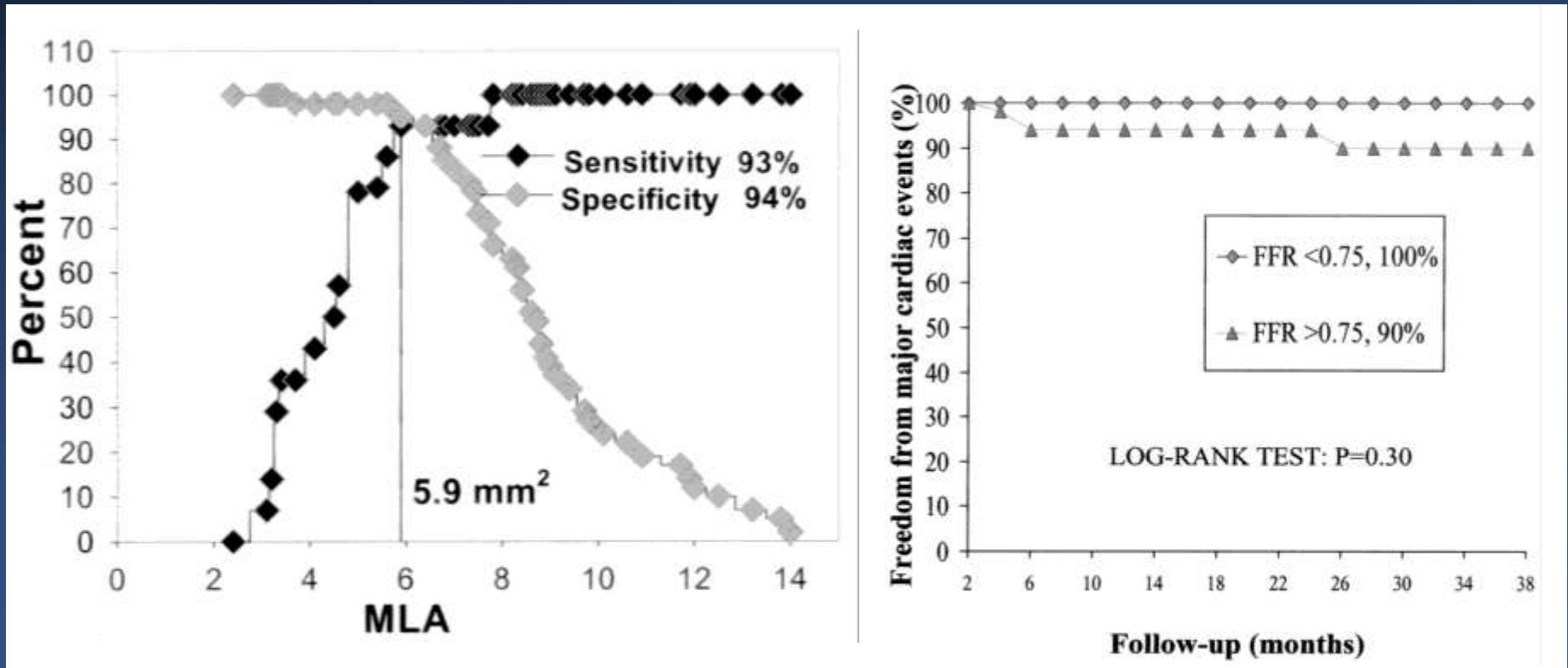


Kang et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv 2011 2011;4:1168-74

Cut-off for Predicting LM FFR<0.75

LM MLA 6.0mm²

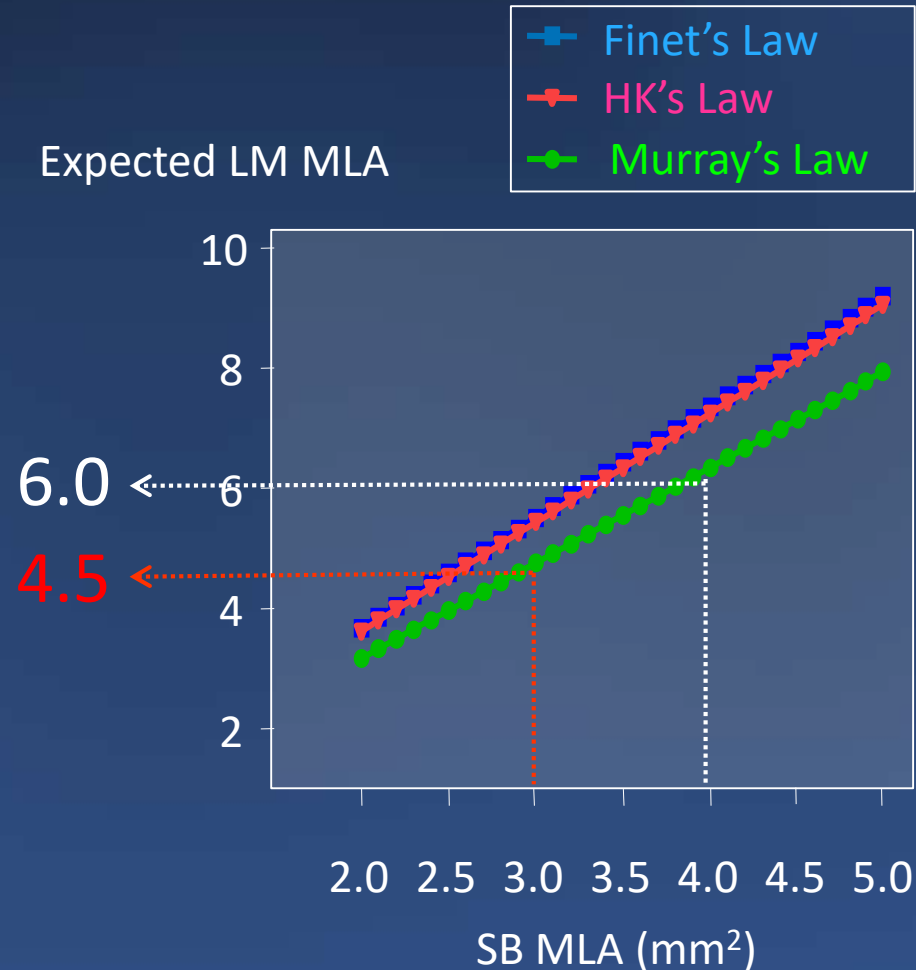
- Sum of lumen areas of two daughter vessels (Each of LAD and LCx should be 4.0mm²) = 150% of the parent LM
- Murray's Law ($LM\ r^3 = LAD\ r^3 + LCx\ r^3$)



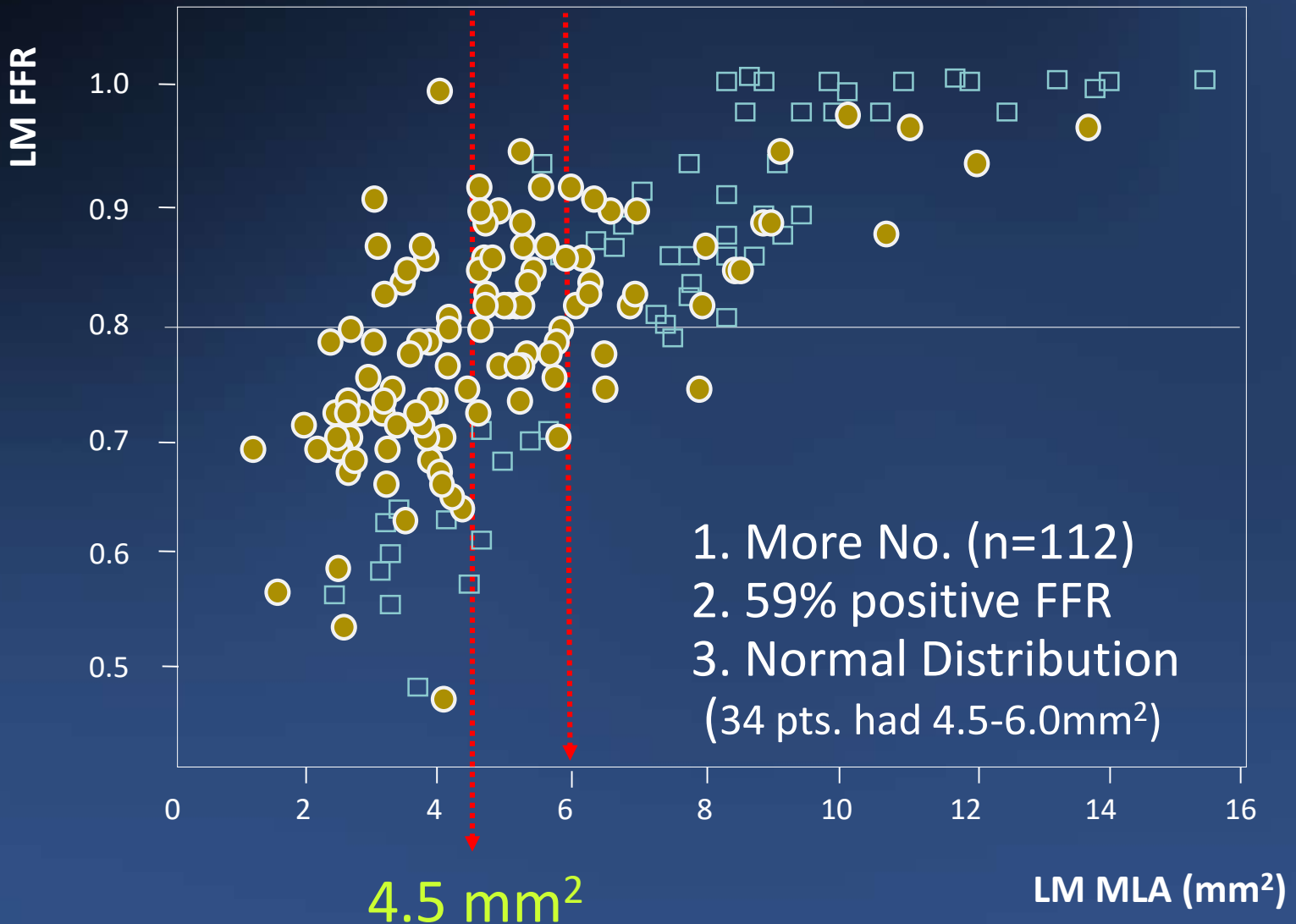
False Assumption...

The used cut-off 4.0mm² is too Big!

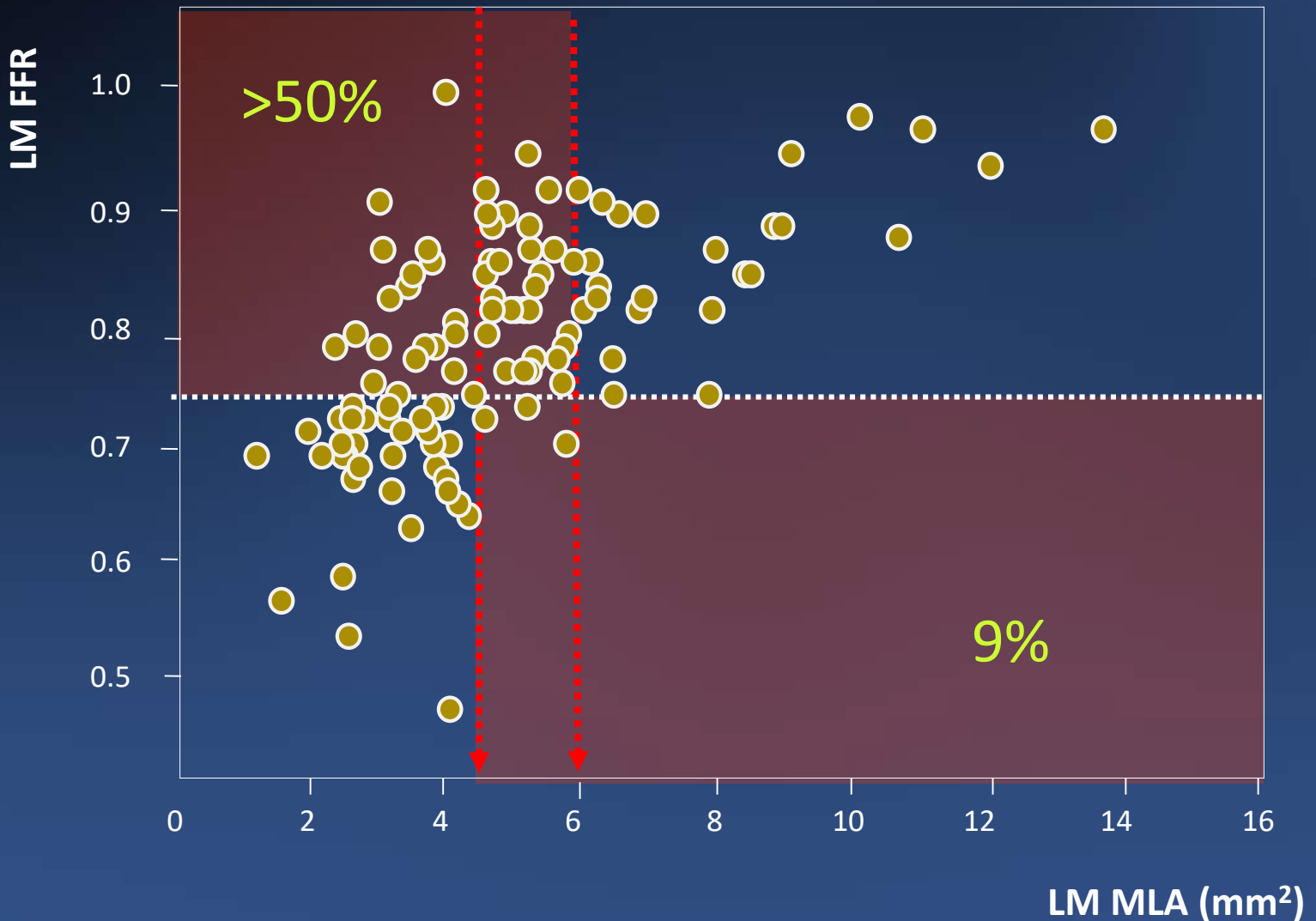
LAD	LCX	LM (Murray's)
3.0	3.0	4.76
3.0	2.9	4.68
3.0	2.8	4.60
3.0	2.7	4.53
3.0	2.6	4.45
3.0	2.5	4.37



AMC New Data (n=112)



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Park SJ et al. JACC Interv 2014;7:868–74

- Old data (MLA 6.0mm²) included downstream SB disease, and 32 of 55 (58%) were distal LM lesions that usually extend to the SB ostia
- Recent data (MLA 4.5mm²) evaluated only pure LM lesions, which more reliably assessed the impact of LM-MLA on functional significance

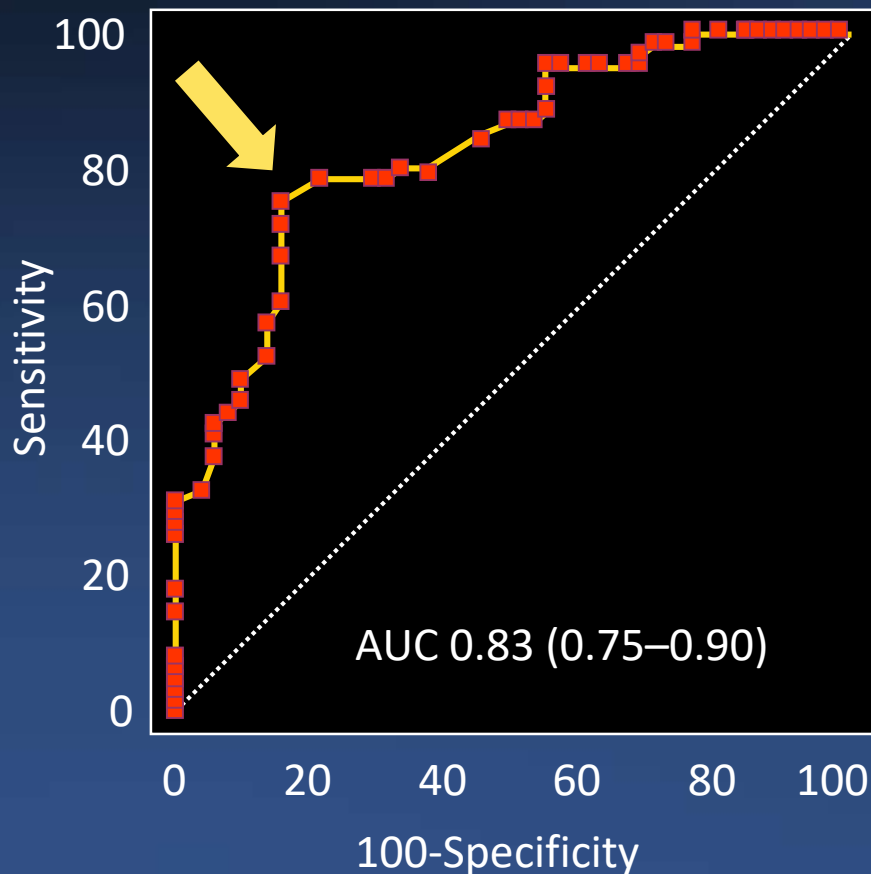
TABLE 1. Baseline Clinical, Angiographic, and IVUS Characteristics of Patients (n=55)

Age, y	62±11
Diabetes mellitus, n	20
Hypertension, n	50
Smoking, n	39
Prior bypass surgery, n	13
Ostial LM stenosis, n	20
Mid-LM stenosis, n	3
Distal LM stenosis, n	32

Jasti et al. Circulation 2004;110:2831-6

New LM MLA 4.5mm²

Matched with FFR <0.80
Ostial and Shaft LM Disease (N=112)



Sensitivity	79%
Specificity	80%
PPV	83%
NPV	76%

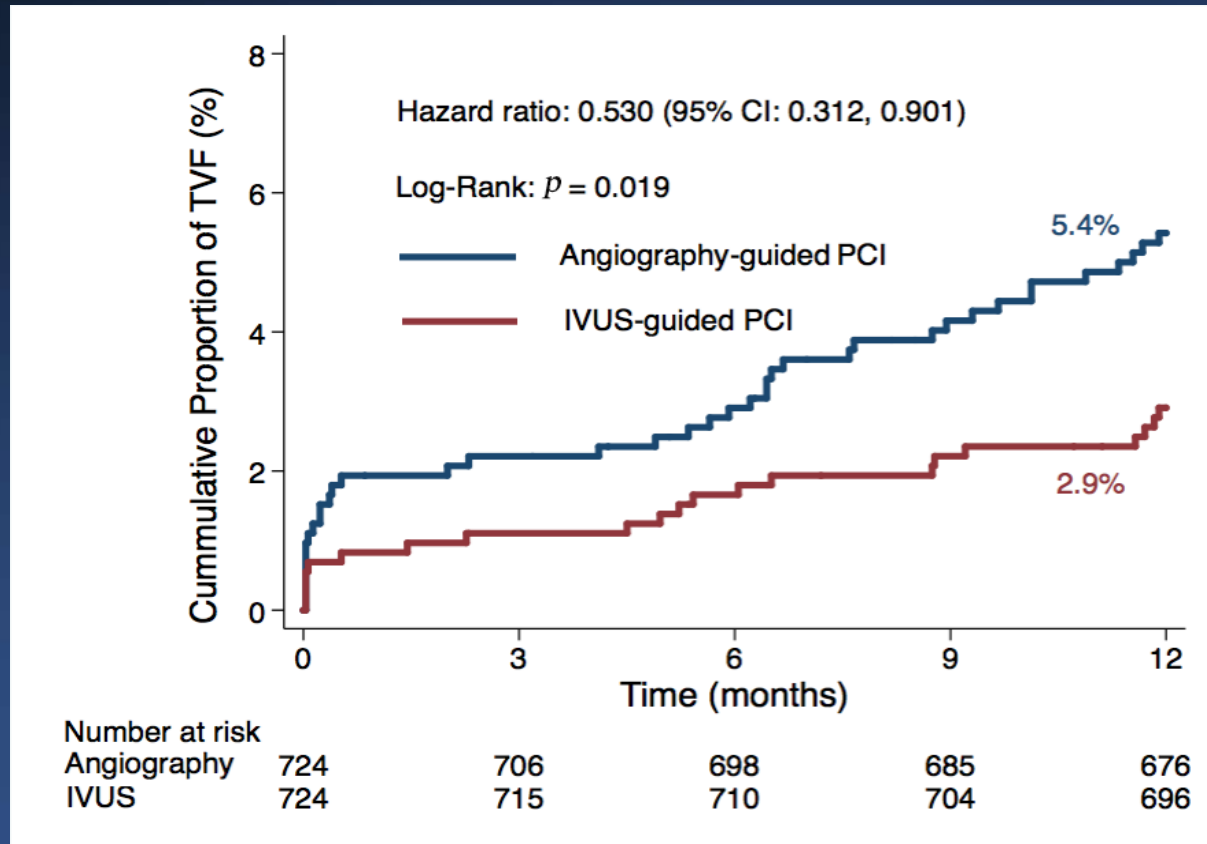
Angio-guided PCI vs. IVUS-guided PCI

Procedural Data
ULTIMATE trial

	IVUS guidance (n=962)	Angiography guidance (n=1016)	<i>P</i>
Per lesion, n (%)			
Stent number	1.81±0.80	1.76±0.77	0.16
Mean stent length, mm	49.99±25.10	47.38±22.42	0.02
Mean stent diameter, mm	3.14±0.51	2.97±0.48	<0.001
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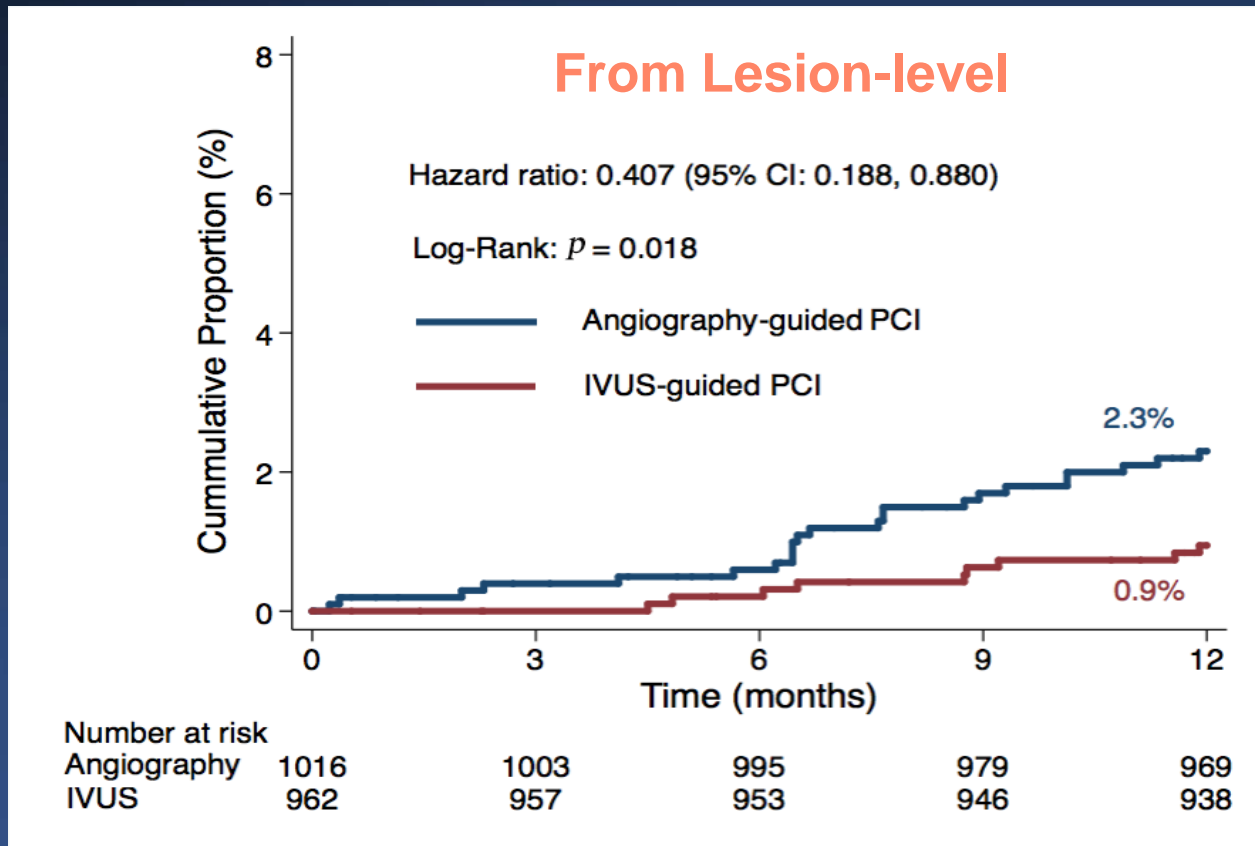
Angio-guided PCI vs. IVUS-guided PCI

TVF at 12-months
ULTIMATE trial



Angiography-guided PCI vs. IVUS-guided PCI

CD-TLR or Definite ST at 12-month
ULTIMATE trial



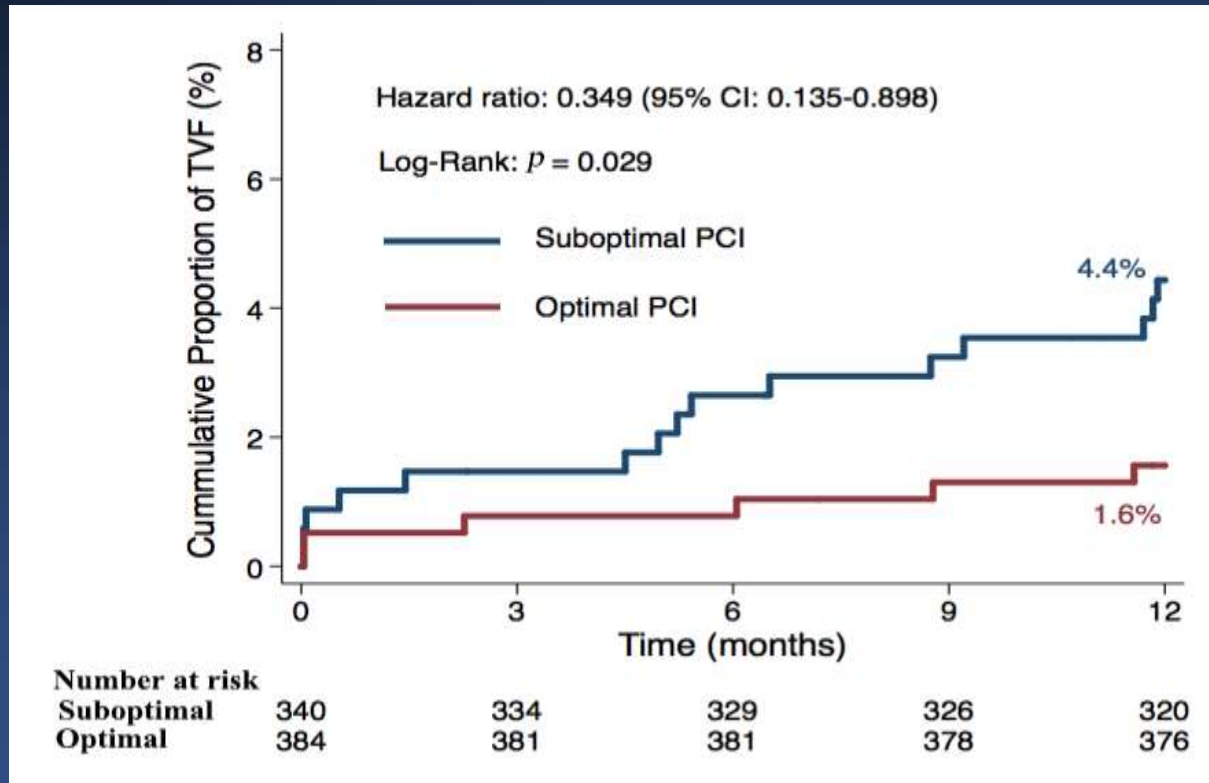
On-site Post-procedure IVUS Assessment

ULTIMATE trial

	Optimal group	Suboptimal group	<i>P</i>
Number of patients, n (%)	384 (53.0)	340 (47.0)	
Number of lesions, n (%)	578 (60.1)	384 (39.9)	
MSA, mm ²	6.09	5.45	<0.001
Prox. edge plaque burden	37.2%	51.2%	<0.001
Dist. edge plaque burden	24.2%	35.1%	<0.001

Optimal vs. Suboptimal IVUS-guided PCI

TVF at 12-months
ULTIMATE trial



Angiogram-guided PCI vs. IVUS-guided PCI

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IVUS compared with angiography
Odds ratio [95% CI]

Primary outcome

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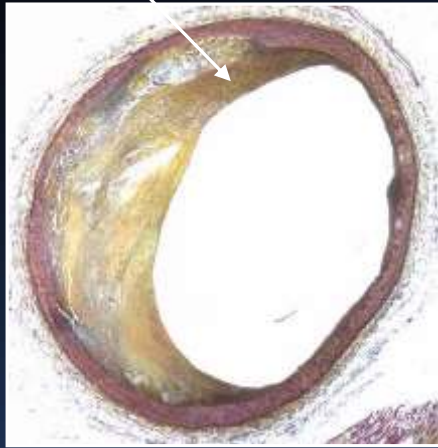
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VH-IVUS

Fibrous Tissue



Densely packed collagen fibers with no evidence of lipid accumulation. No evidence of macrophage infiltration.

Necrotic Core



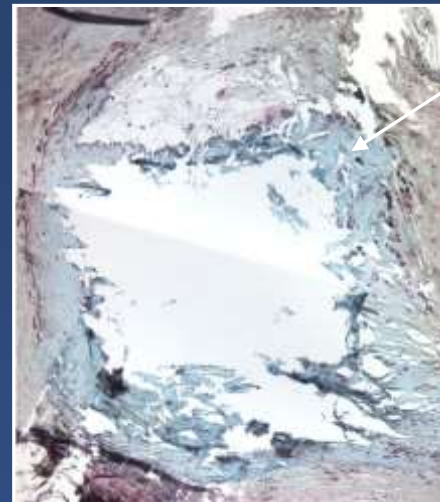
Highly lipidic necrotic region with remnants of foam cells and dead lymphocytes. No collagen fiber, Cholesterol clefts and micro calcifications

Fibro-Fatty



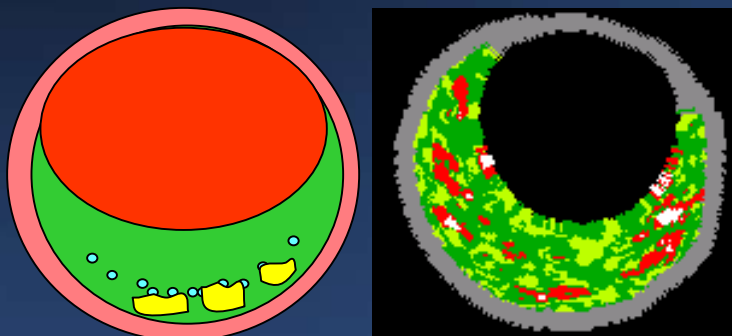
Loosely packed bundles of collagen fibers with regions of lipid deposition present. No cholesterol clefts or necrosis. Increase in extra-cellular matrix

Dense Calcium



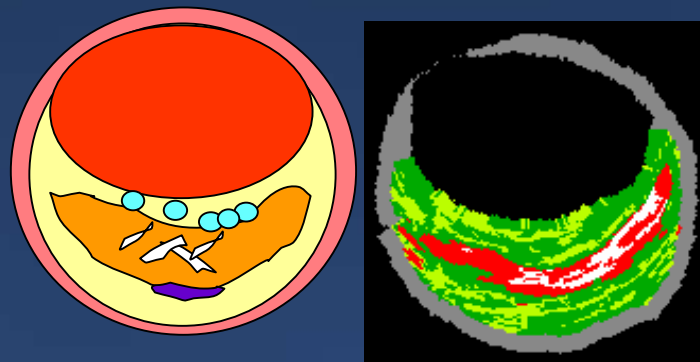
Focal dense calcium

PIT



Plaque thickness $> 600\mu\text{m}$
Fibrofatty $> 15\%$

Fibroatheroma

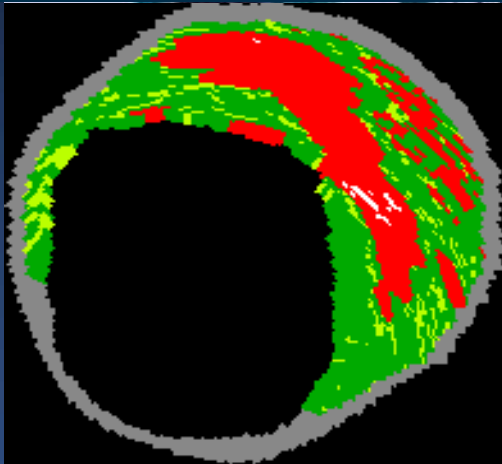


Confluent NC $> 10\%$

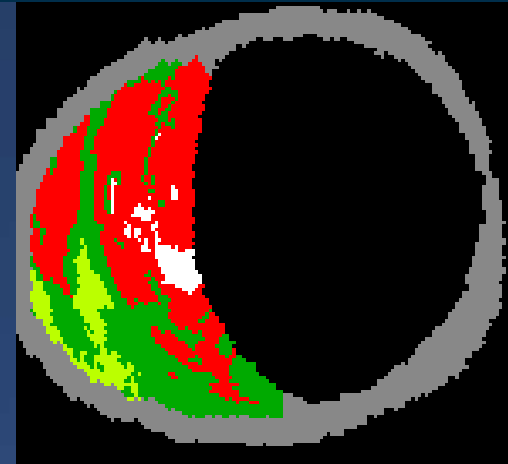
Criteria of TCFA

In at least 3 consecutive frames:

- 1) Necrotic core $\geq 10\%$
- 2) without evident overlying fibrous tissue
- 3) Percent atheroma area $\geq 40\%$



Thick fibrous cap
Low lipid conc
Low macrophage density



Thin fibrous cap
High lipid conc
High macrophage density

Rodriguez-Granillo et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2005;46:2038–42

Change of Plaque Type

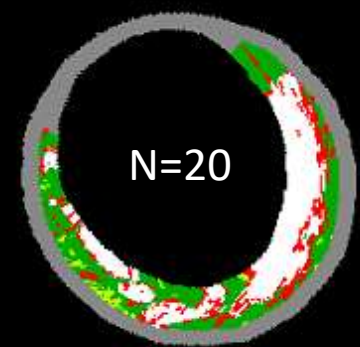
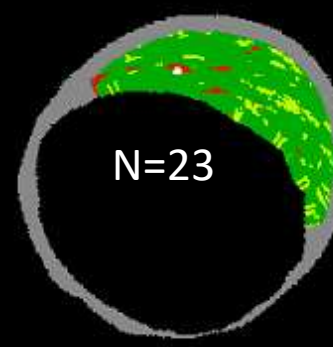
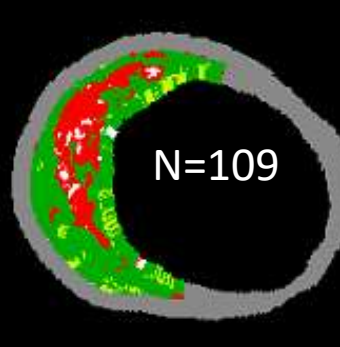
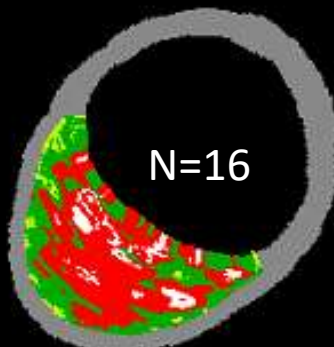
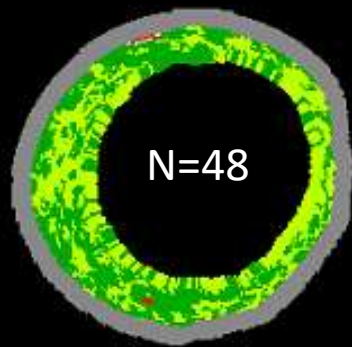
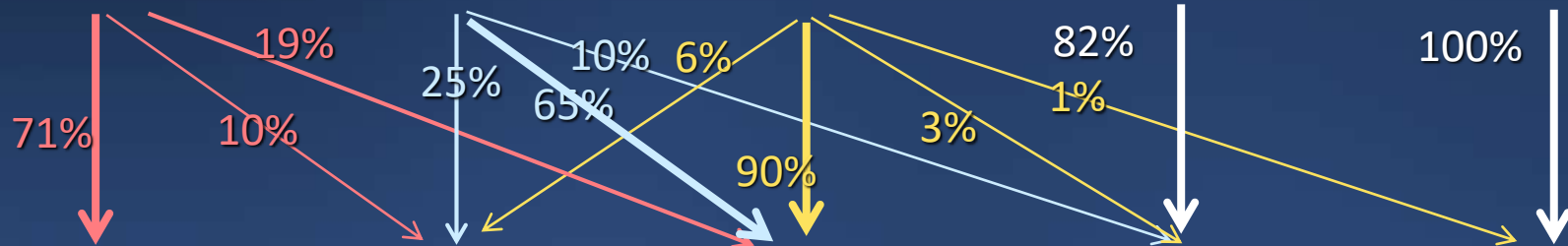
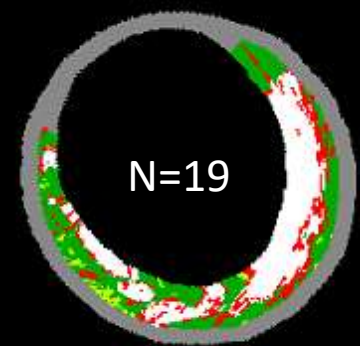
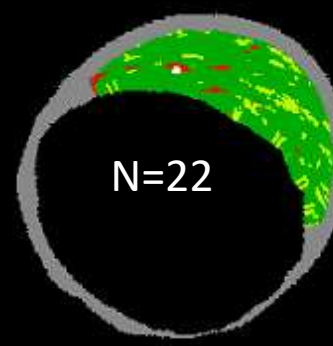
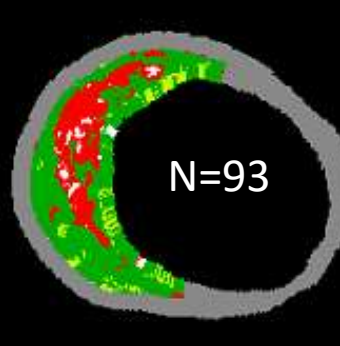
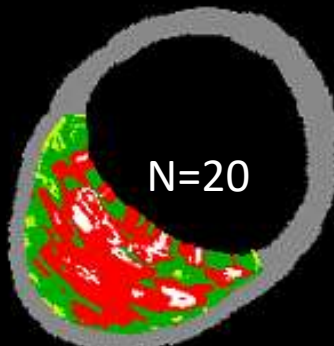
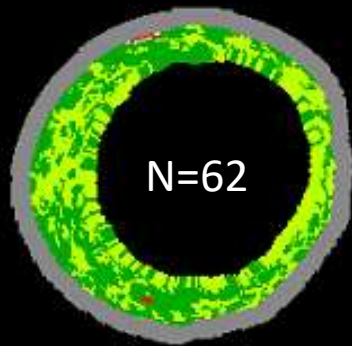
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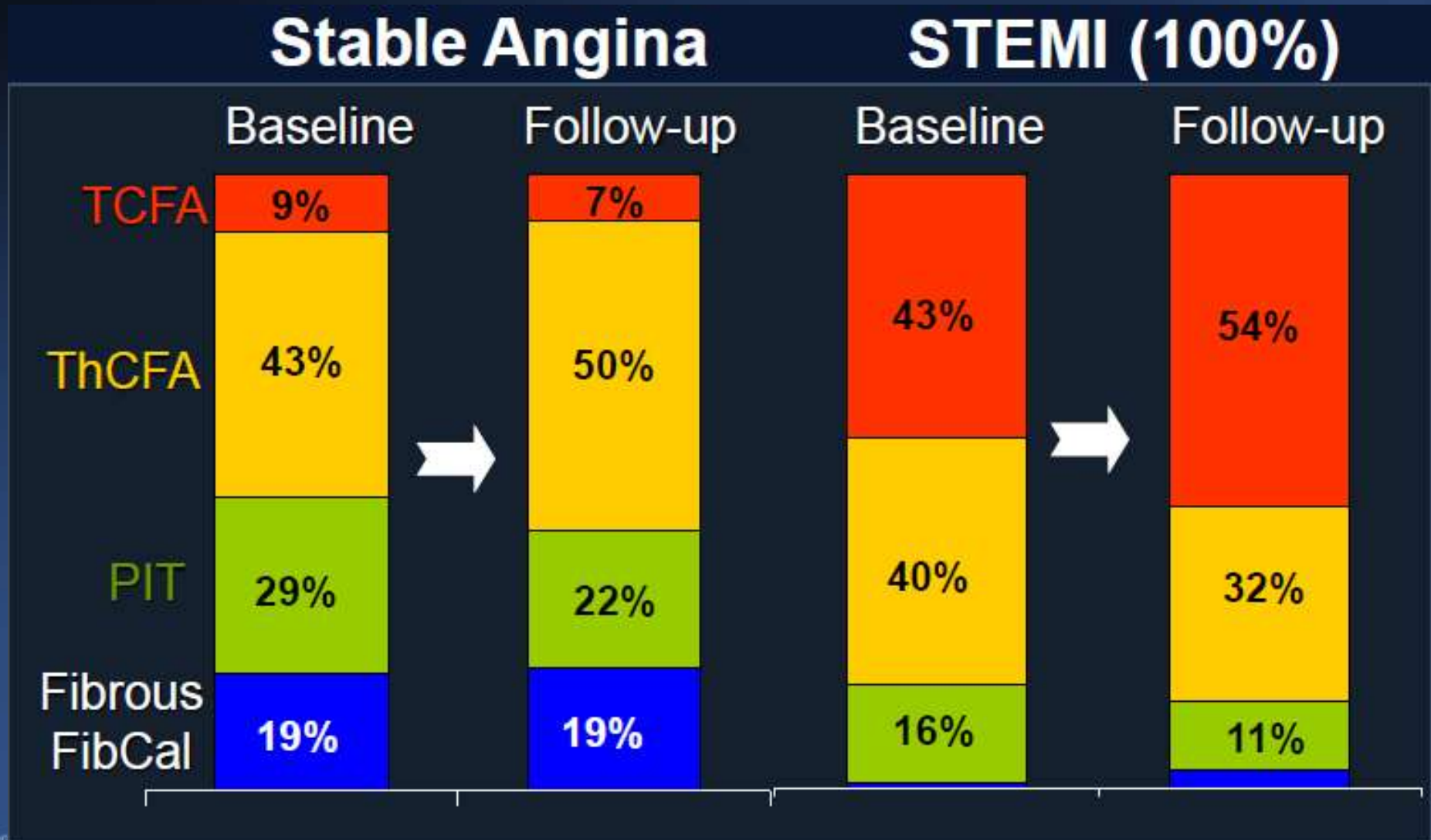
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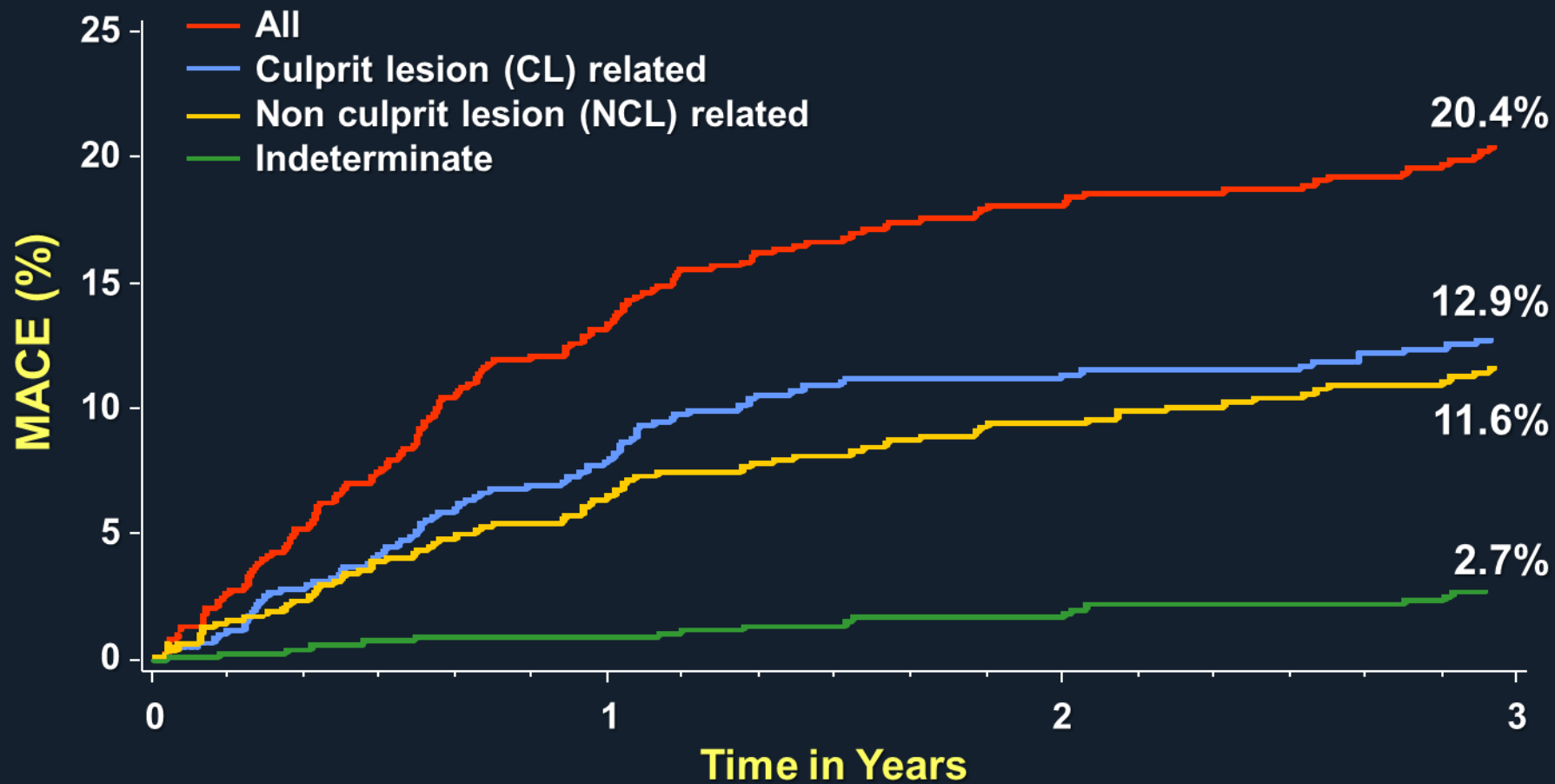
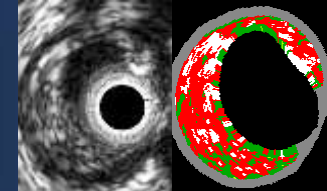
Fibrocalcific



Differences in Temporal Changes of Non-Culprit Lesions



PROSPECT MACE (N=697)

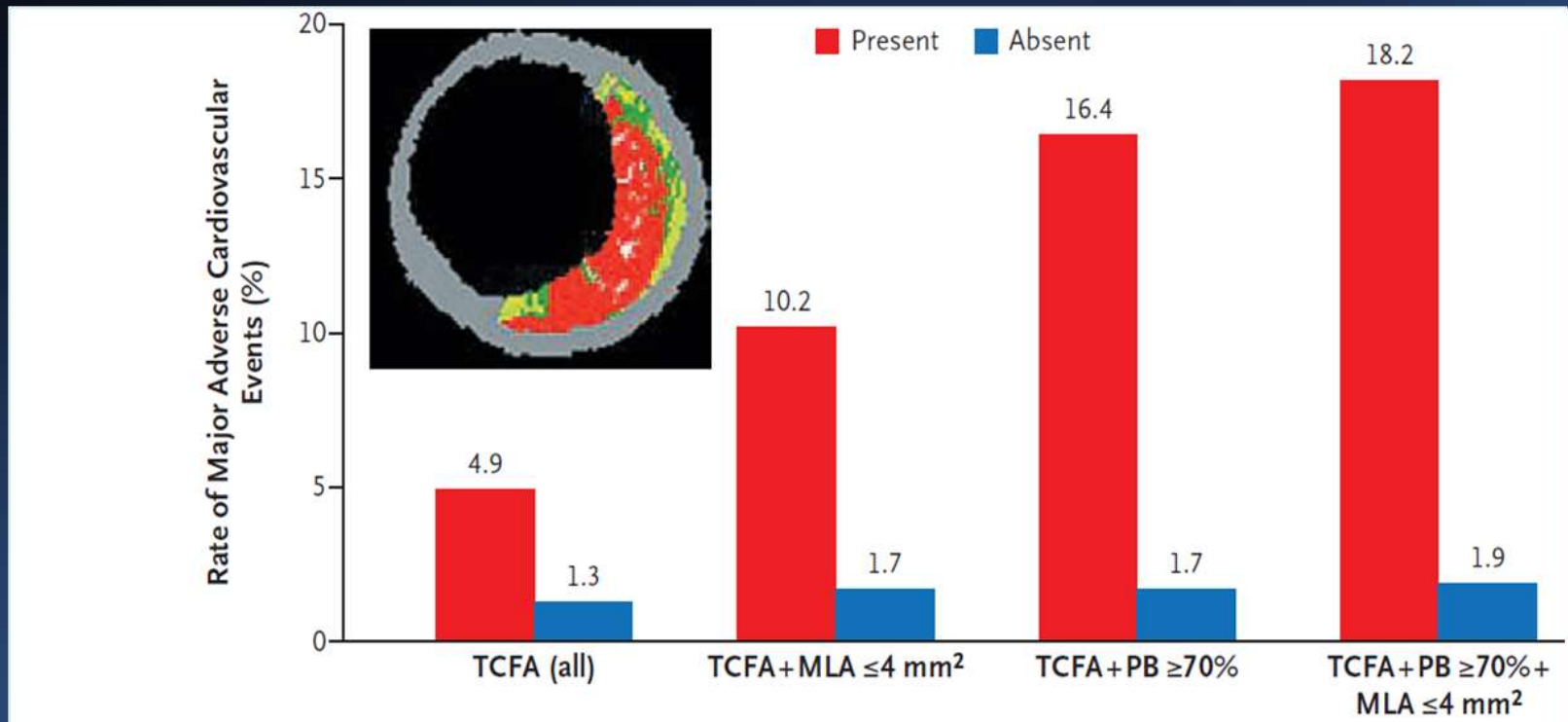


Number at risk

ALL	697	557	506	480
CL related	697	590	543	518
NCL related	697	595	553	521
Indeterminate	697	634	604	583

PROSPECT 3-year MACE

*MACE = cardiac death, arrest, MI, rehospitalization for unstable/ progressive angina



Predictors	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p
Plaque burden $\geq 70\%$	5.03 (2.51 – 10.11)	<0.001
Thin-cap fibroatheroma	3.35 (1.77 – 6.36)	<0.001
MLA $\leq 4.0 \text{ mm}^2$	3.21 (1.61 – 6.42)	0.001

Stone G et al. *N Engl J med* 2011;364:226-35

PROSPECT II Study

900 pts with ACS at up to 20 hospitals
in Sweden, Denmark and Norway (SCAAR)

NSTEMI or STEMI $>12^{\circ}$

IVUS + NIRS (blinded) performed in culprit vessel(s)

Successful PCI of all intended lesions (by angio \pm FFR/iFR)



Formally enrolled



3-vessel imaging post PCI

Culprit artery, followed by non-culprit arteries

Angiography (QCA of entire coronary tree)

IVUS + NIRS (blinded) (prox 6-8 cm of each coronary artery)



PROSPECT II Study

PROSPECT ABSORB RCT

900 pts with ACS after successful PCI

3 vessel IVUS + NIRS (blinded)

↓
≥1 IVUS lesion with ≥65% plaque burden present?

Yes

(N=300)

No

(n=600)

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**ABSORB BVS +
GDMT** (N~150)

GDMT
(N=150)

Routine angio/3V IVUS-NIRS FU at 2 years

Clinical FU for up to 15 years

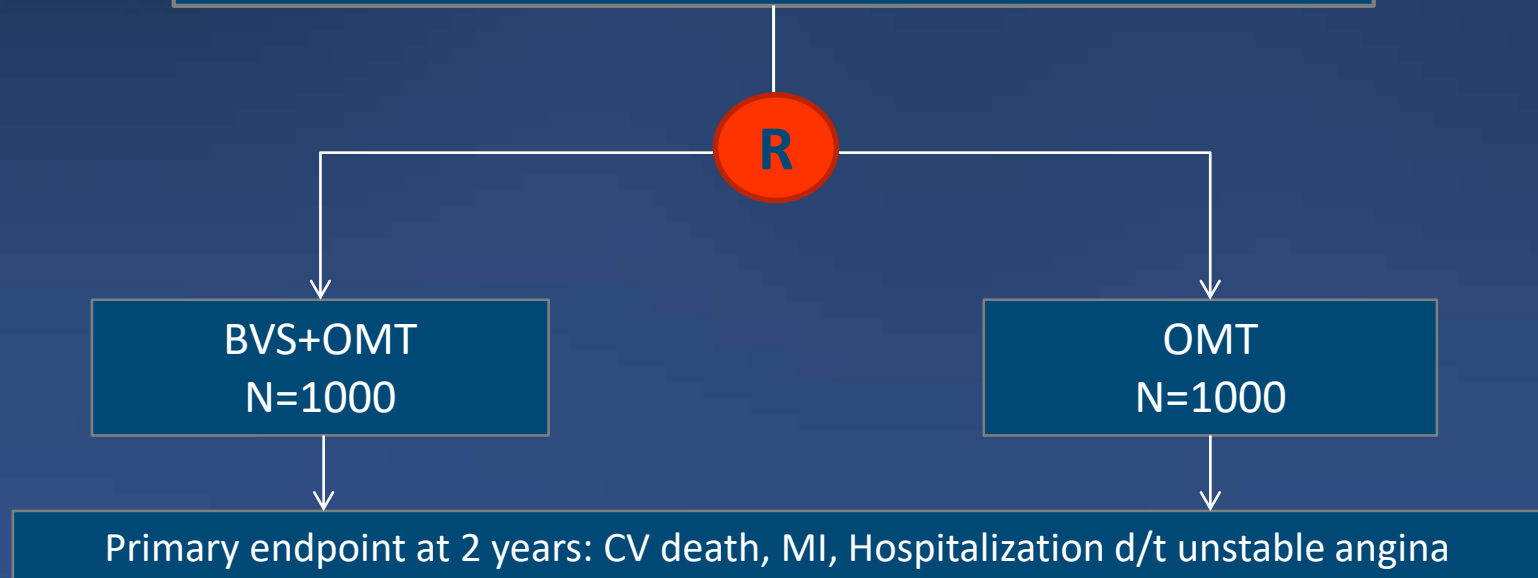
The Preventive Implantation of Bioresorbable Vascular Scaffold on Stenosis With Vulnerable Plaque Feature But Functionally Insignificance

PREVENT Trial

Symptomatic or Asymptomatic CAD patients

Any epicardial coronary stenosis
with **FFR ≥ 0.80** and with **Two** of the following

- IVUS MLA $\leq 4.0\text{mm}^2$
- IVUS Plaque Burden $>70\%$
- Lipid-Rich Plaque on NIRS ($_{\text{max}}\text{LCBI}_{4\text{mm}} > 400$)



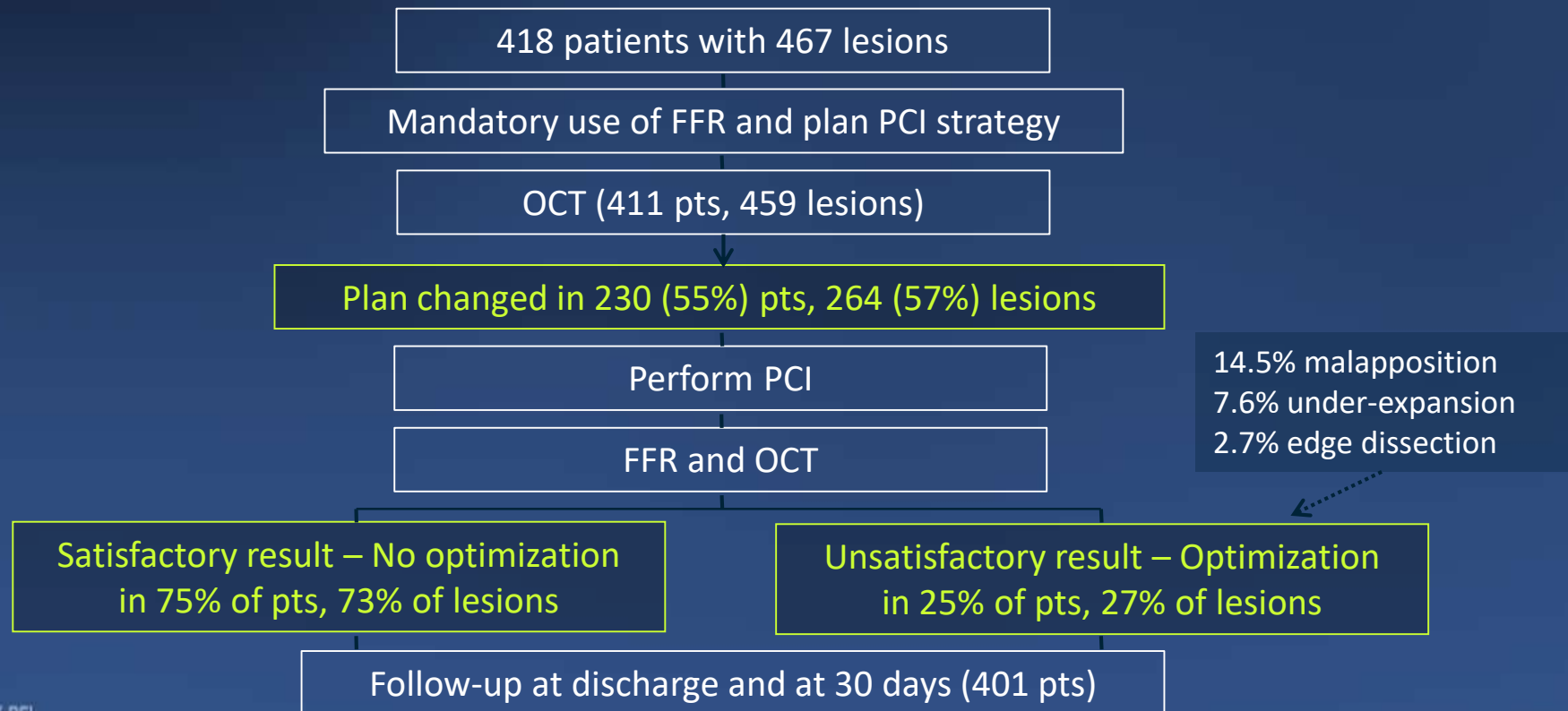
OCT sub-study/ NIRS sub-study (300 patients in each arm at 2 years)

OCT

Optical coherence tomography imaging during percutaneous coronary intervention impacts physician decision-making: ILUMIEN I study

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A prospective, non-randomized study to see the impact of OCT on physician decision-making, post-PCI residual ischemia, and clinical outcomes



ILUMIEN I study

	PCI optimiz, without change	PCI optimiz based on pre- PCI OCT	PCI optimiz, based on post- PCI OCT	PCI optimiz, based on pre- and post-PCI OCT	p
Pre-PCI FFR	0.72±0.14	0.73±0.14	0.72±0.14	0.72±0.14	0.93
Post-PCI FFR	0.89±0.07	0.89±0.07	0.89±0.08	0.86±0.09	0.003
Final FFR			0.90±0.10	0.90±0.10	0.24
In-hos MACE	8.8%	6.7%	12.2%	1.5%	0.118
1-mo MACE	8.8%	8%	12.5%	1.5%	0.127

- Following OCT-guided PCI, the rates of MACEs at 30 days were very low (death 0.25%, MI 7.7%, TLR 1.7%, ST 0.25%)
- Physician decision-making was affected by OCT imaging prior to PCI in 57% and post-PCI in 27% of all cases

Wijins et al. *Eur heart j*, 2015

ILUMIEN II study

Comparison of Stent Expansion Guided by Optical Coherence Tomography Versus Intravascular Ultrasound



The ILUMIEN II Study (Observational Study of Optical Coherence Tomography [OCT] in Patients Undergoing Fractional Flow Reserve [FFR] and Percutaneous Coronary Intervention)

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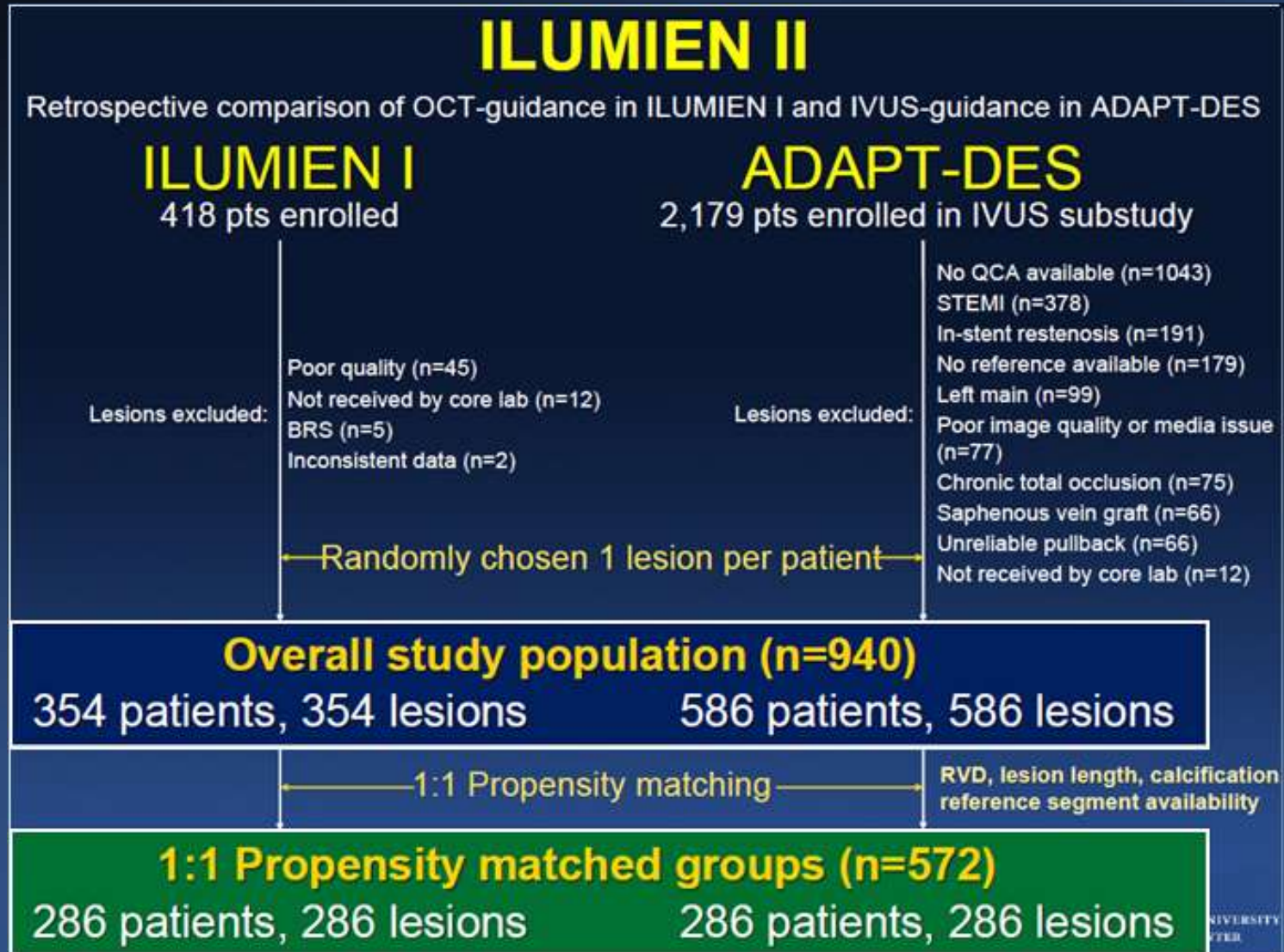
Design: A post-hoc analysis of the outcome of OCT- vs. IVUS-guided PCI from the ILUMIEN I and ADAPT-DES

Aim: To compare a degree of stent expansion achieved by OCT- vs. IVUS-guidance

Primary endpoint: Final post-PCI stent expansion defined as the MSA divided by the mean of the proximal and distal RLA

Maehara A. J Am Coll Cardiol Interv 2015;8:1704–14

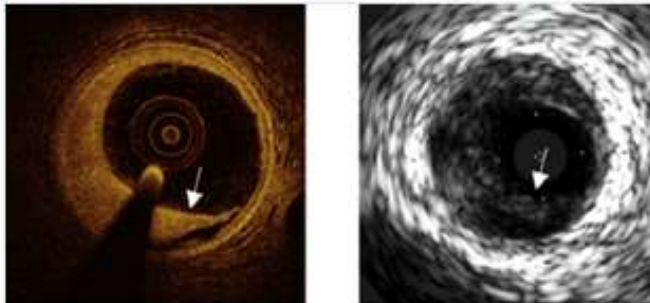
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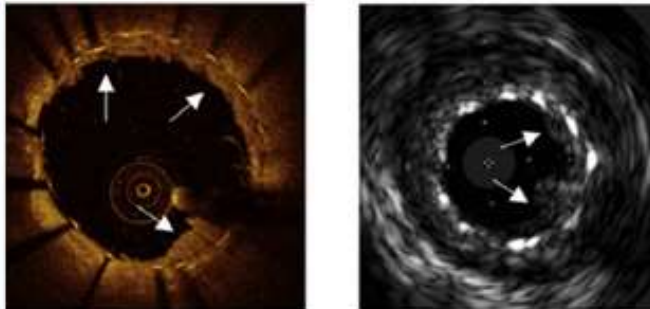
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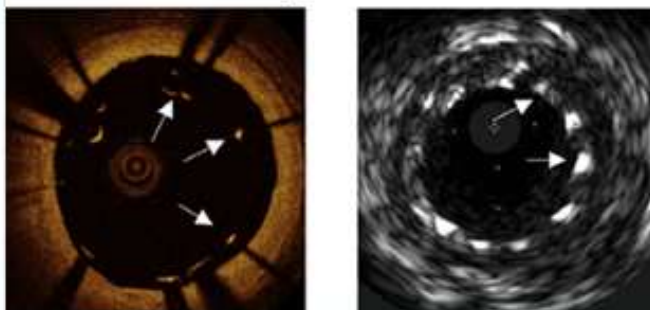
Edge dissection



Tissue protrusion



Malapposition



Qualitative Data in the Propensity-Matched Groups

	OCT	IVUS	p
Any <u>malapposition</u>	27%	14%	0.002
<u>distance/MLD</u> >20%	1%	1%	0.69
Any tissue protrusion	64%	27%	<0.001
protrusion CSA>10%	12%	8%	0.17
Any edge dissection	23%	5%	<0.001
<u>dissec</u> length ≥3mm	2%	1%	0.29

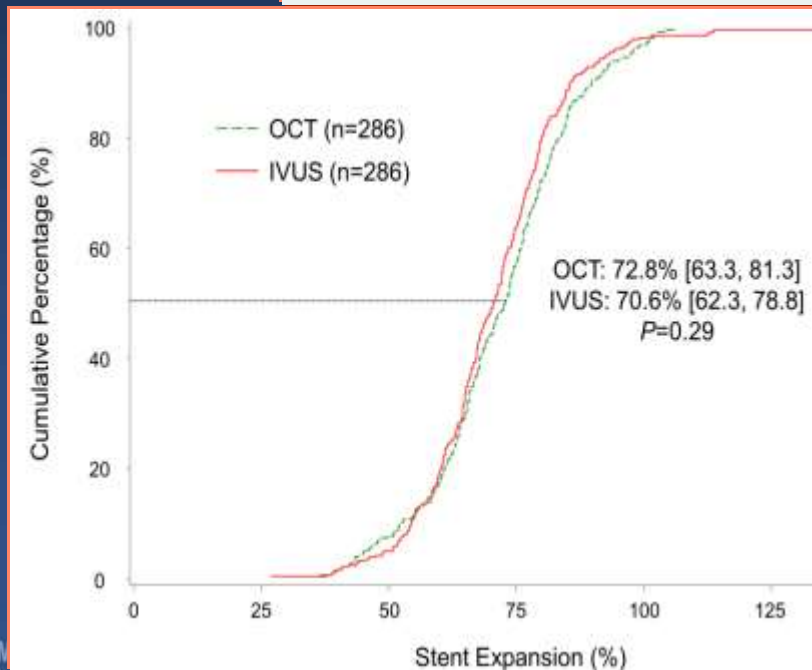
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ILUMIEN II study

TABLE 5 Multivariable Analysis in the Entire Study Population (N = 940)

	Endpoints			
	Stent Expansion, %	Mean Stent Expansion, %	Diameter Stenosis In-Stent, %	Diameter Stenosis In-Segment, %
Measurement by OCT (N = 354)	72.6 (63.5, 81.4)	89.6 (79.2, 98.5)	6.4 (2.7, 9.9)	13.3 (8.9, 20.2)
Measurement by IVUS (n = 586)	70.5 (62.1, 79.5)	86.8 (77.1, 96.8)	6.4 (3.0, 10.7)	11.2 (7.6, 17.2)
Adjusted p Values				
OCT vs. IVUS	0.84	0.30	0.19	0.009



Conclusion

OCT-guidance was related to comparable stent expansion, and similar rates of major edge dissection, stent malapposition, and tissue protrusion as compared to IVUS-guidance

LUMIEN III : OPTIMIZE PCI

OCT-Guided vs IVUS-Guided vs Angio-Guided PCI

- Randomly allocated 450 patients (1:1:1)
 - OCT guidance ; 158 [35%]
 - IVUS guidance ; 146 [32%]
 - Angiography guidance ; 146 [32%]
- All patients underwent final OCT imaging
- Primary efficacy endpoint ; post-PCI minimum stent area
- Primary safety endpoint ; procedural MACE

ILUMIEN III : OPTIMIZE PCI

OCT-Guided vs IVUS-Guided vs Angio-Guided PCI

Efficacy Endpoints

	OCT (n=140)	IVUS (n=135)	Angio (n=140)	P (OCT vs IVUS)	P (OCT vs Angio)
Minimal stent area(mm ²)	5.79 [4.54-7.34]	5.89 [4.67-7.80]	5.49 [4.39-6.59]	0.42	0.12
Minimum stent expansion(%)	88±17	87±16	83±13	0.77	0.02
Mean stent expansion(%)	106 [98-120]	106 [97-117]	101 [92-110]	0.63	0.001

OCT guidance was non-inferior to IVUS guidance (one-sided 97.5% lower CI -0.70 mm²; $p=0.001$), but not superior ($p=0.42$).

OCT guidance was also not superior to angiography guidance ($p=0.12$).

ILUMIEN III : OPTIMIZE PCI

OCT-Guided vs IVUS-Guided vs Angio-Guided PCI

Primary Safety Endpoints

	OCT (n=158)	IVUS (n=146)	Angio (n=146)	P (OCT vs IVUS)	P (OCT vs Angio)
Procedural MACE(%)	2.5	0.7	0.7	0.37	0.37
Complication					
Dissection(%)	1.3	0.0	0.7	0.50	1.00
Perforation	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.48	-
Thrombus	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.50	0.50
Acute closure	0.6	0.0	0.0	1.00	1.00

Procedural MACE was infrequent and not significantly different between the three groups.

Ali ZA et al. The Lancet 2016, Vol 388; 2618-28

ILUMIEN III : OPTIMIZE PCI

OCT-Guided vs IVUS-Guided vs Angio-Guided PCI

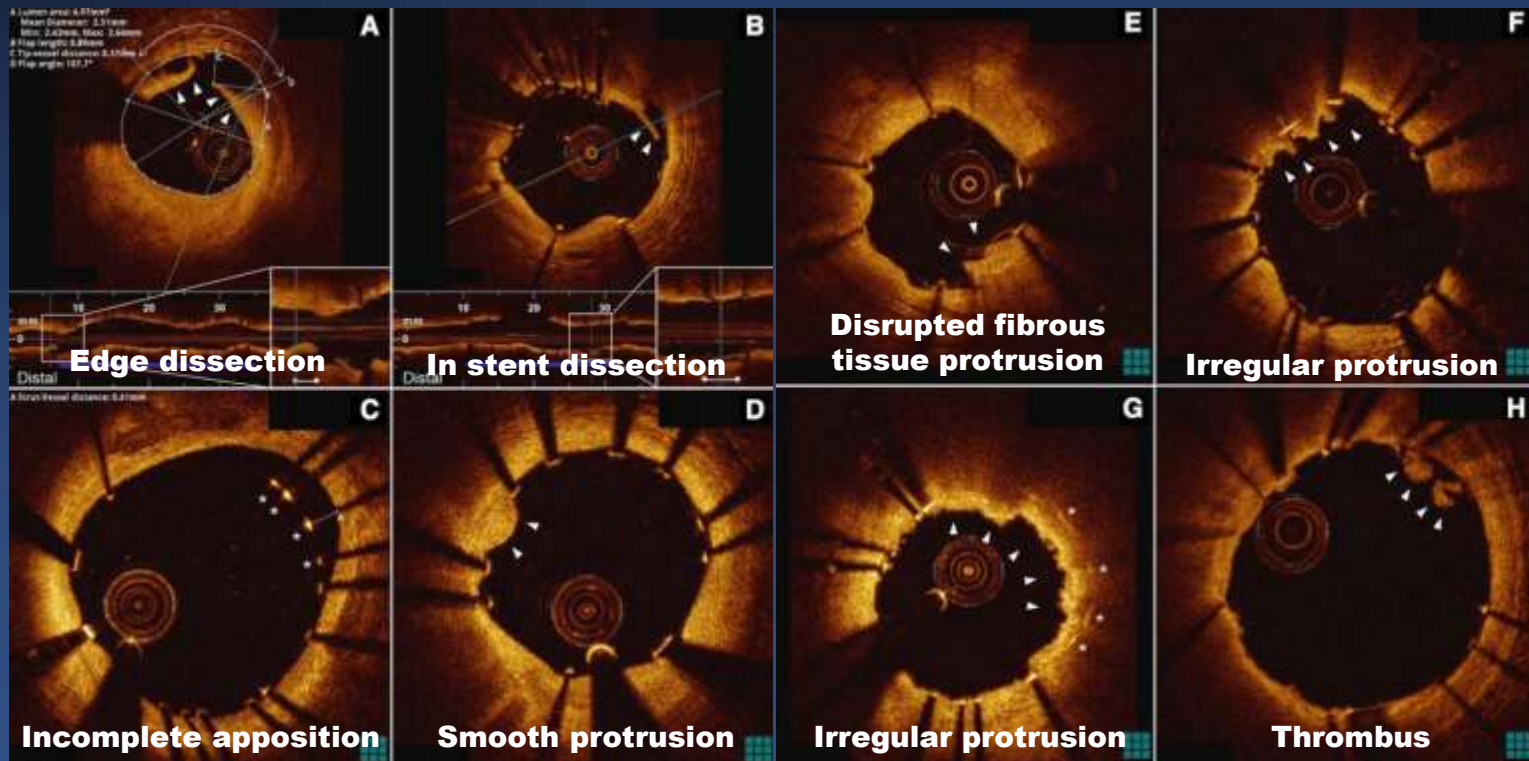
Postprocedure OCT measure

	OCT (n=140)	IVUS (n=135)	Angio (n=140)	P (OCT vs IVUS)	P (OCT vs Angio)
Any dissection(%)	39(28)	53(40)	64(44)	0.04	0.006
Major(%)	19(14)	35(26)	26(19)	0.009	0.25
Minor(%)	20(14)	18(13)	35(25)	0.84	0.02
Any malposition(%)	58(41)	52(39)	83(59)	0.62	0.003
Major(%)	15(11)	28(21)	44(31)	0.02	<0.001
Minor(%)	43(31)	24(18)	39(28)	0.01	0.60

OCT-guided PCI resulted in the fewest untreated major dissection and areas of major stent malapposition.

Post-stent OCT Findings

From MGH OCT registry, 900 lesions in 786 patients with post-stenting OCT were analyzed to identify the OCT predictors for device-oriented clinical end points (cardiac death, target vessel-related MI, TLR and stent thrombosis)



Soeda T, Jang IK et al. *Circulation* 2015;132:1020-9

Post-stent OCT Findings

Incidence of Post-stent Qualitative and Quantitative OCT Findings (Lesion-Level)

	No MACE	MACE	p
N	795	39	
Edge dissection	29%	31%	0.78
Malapposition	38%	36%	0.76
Tissue protrusion	97%	100%	0.63
Irregular protrusion	52%	74%	0.003
Thrombus	38%	51%	0.13
Small MSA*	40%	59%	0.039

*Small MSA : <5.0 mm² for DES and <5.6 mm² for BMS

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Post-stent OCT Findings

Multivariable Predictors of Device-oriented MACE and TLR

	MACE		TLR	
	OR (95% CI)	p	OR (95% CI)	p
Age, year	NA		0.98 (0.95-1.02)	
Male	3.13 (0.92-10.69)	0.068	NA	
BMS	1.75 (1.19-2.58)	0.005	1.80 (1.23-2.63)	0.002
Irregular protrusion	2.64 (1.40-5.01)	0.003	2.66 (1.40-5.05)	0.003
Small MSA*	2.54 (1.23-5.25)	0.012	2.54 (1.24-5.21)	0.011

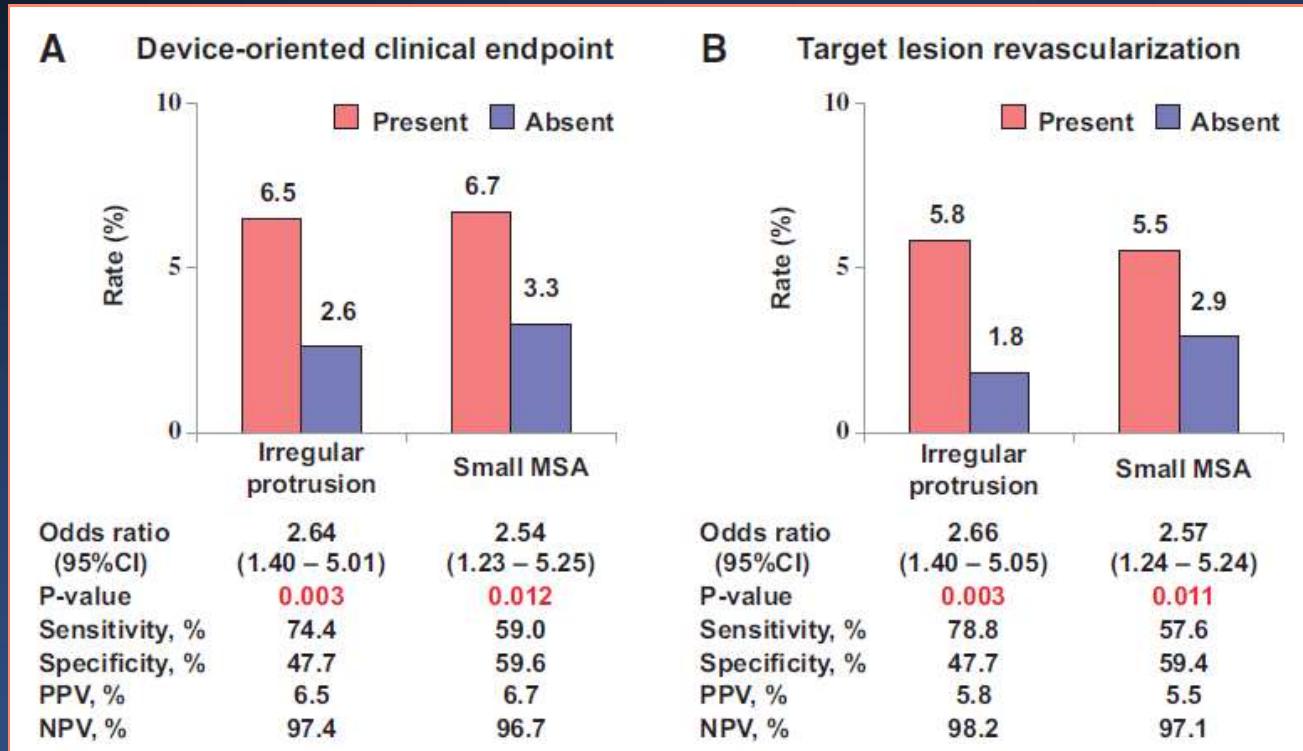
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Patient-level analysis

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Post-stent OCT Findings

Rates of Device-oriented MACE and TLR
from multivariable models



Irregular protrusion and small MSA were the independent OCT predictors of MACE, which were primarily driven by TLR

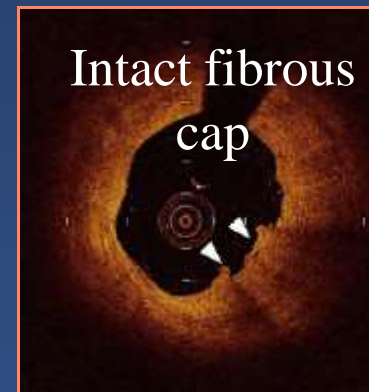
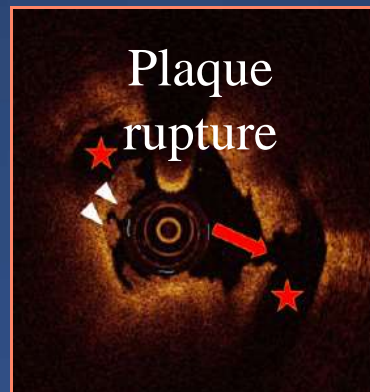
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Plaque rupture and prognosis in ACS

Plaque rupture and intact fibrous cap assessed by optical coherence tomography portend different outcomes in patients with acute coronary syndrome

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- To evaluate the prognostic value of plaque rupture vs. intact fibrous cap in 139 ACS patients undergoing PCI
- No differences in clinical, angiographic, or procedural data

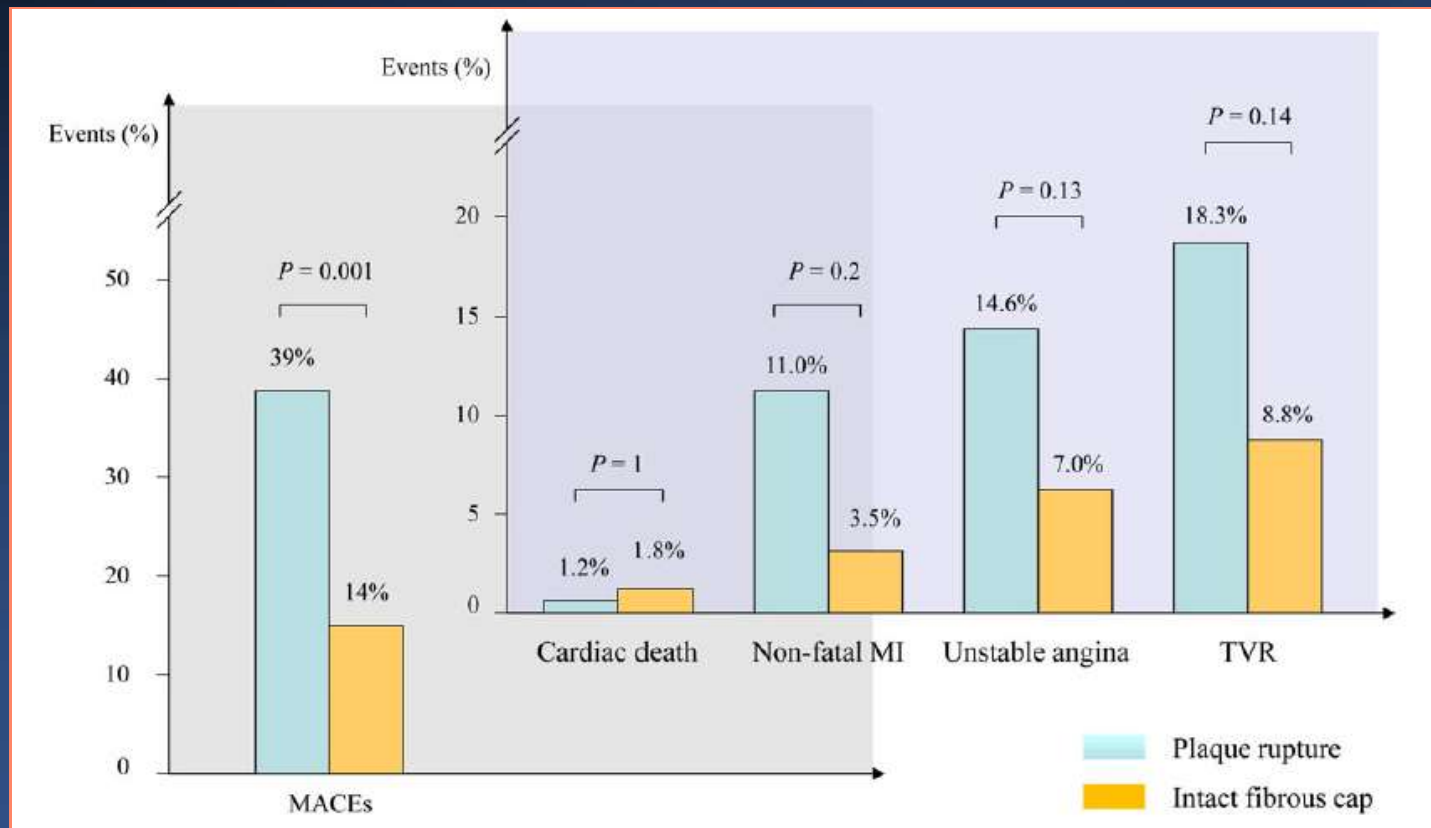


Niccoli et al. *Eur Heart J* 2015;36:1377-84

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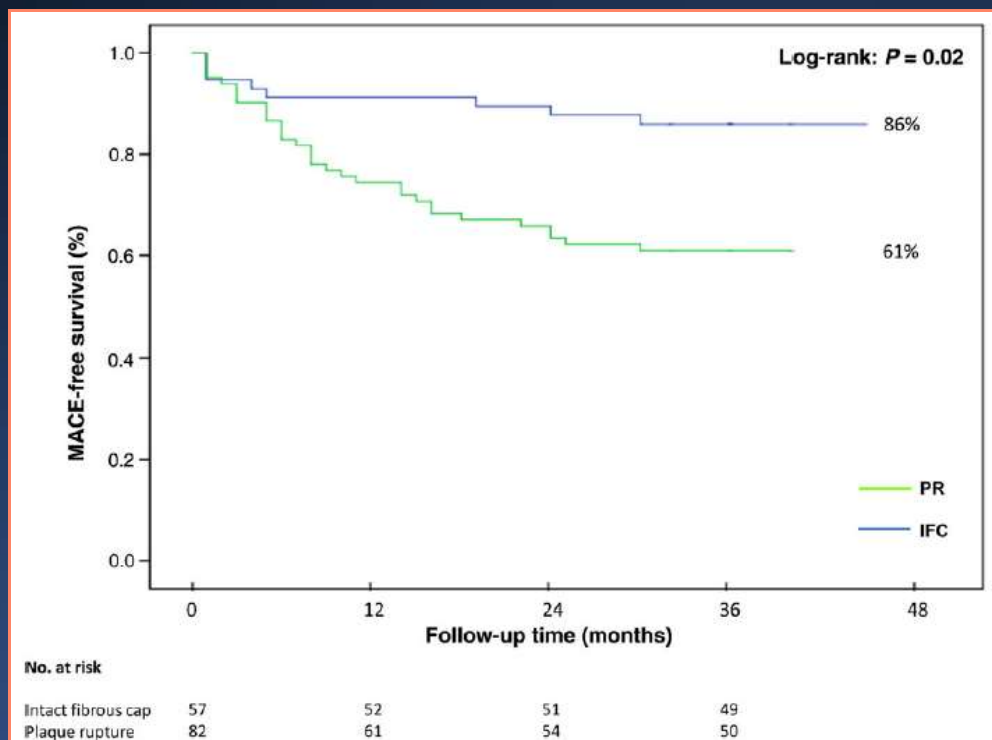
MACE rates

Patients with plaque rupture vs. with intact fibrous cap



Plaque rupture and prognosis in ACS

Kaplan–Meier Analysis



Conclusion

Patients with plaque rupture had a worse MACE-free survival (61% vs. 86%) compared with those having an intact fibrous cap

Plaque rupture and prognosis in ACS

Predictors of 3-year MACEs
Multivariable Cox regression analysis

	HR	95% CI	p
Obesity (BMI >35)	1.688	0.822-3.845	0.15
Plaque rupture	3.735	1.358-9.735	0.010
Previous PCI	1.449	0.610-4.146	0.34
Stent length	1.028	0.980-1.081	0.26
Age	1.005	0.977-1.034	0.73
Male	1.36	0.335-1.591	0.76

Conclusion

ACS patients with plaque rupture in culprit lesion have a worse prognosis compared to those with IFC, which should be taken into account in risk stratification and management of ACS

Stent coverage following OCT vs angio-guided PCI

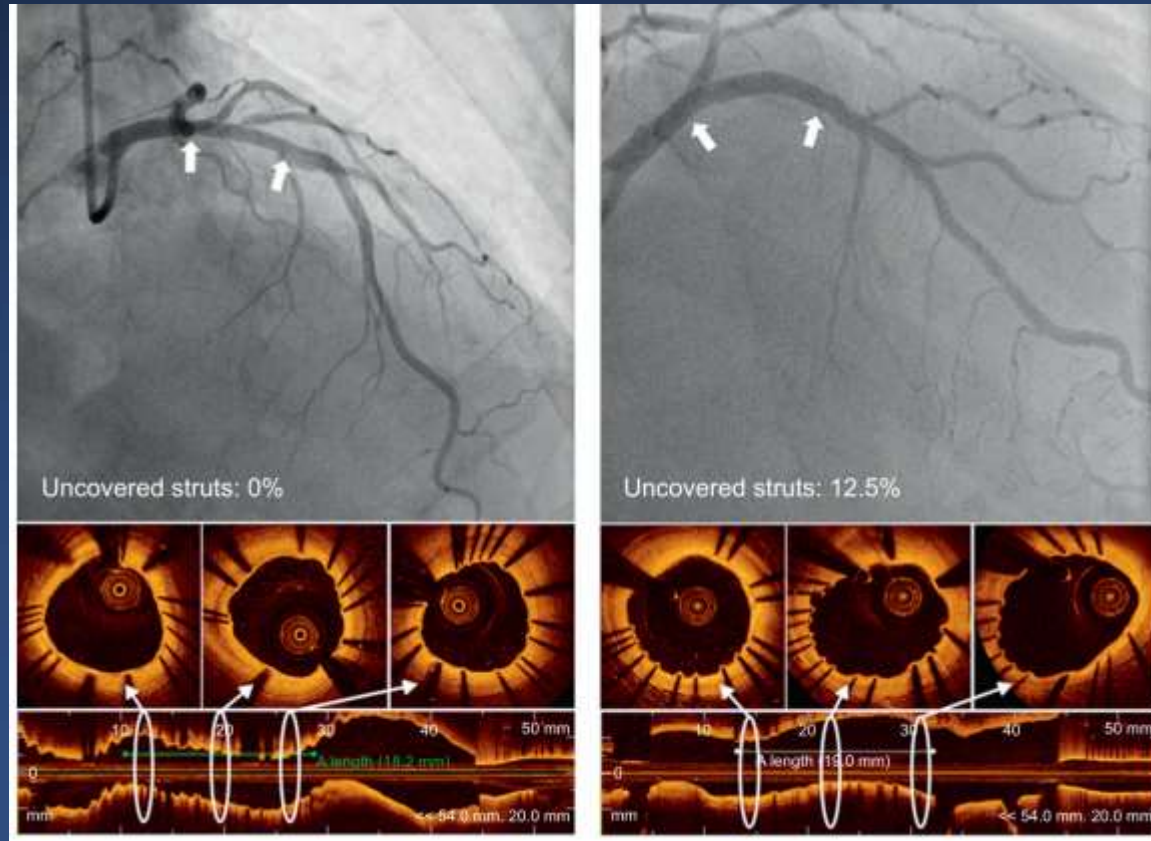
RCT

101 patients (105 lesions)

OCT guided PCI (n=51) vs
angio-guided PCI (n=54)

6 months follow-up OCT

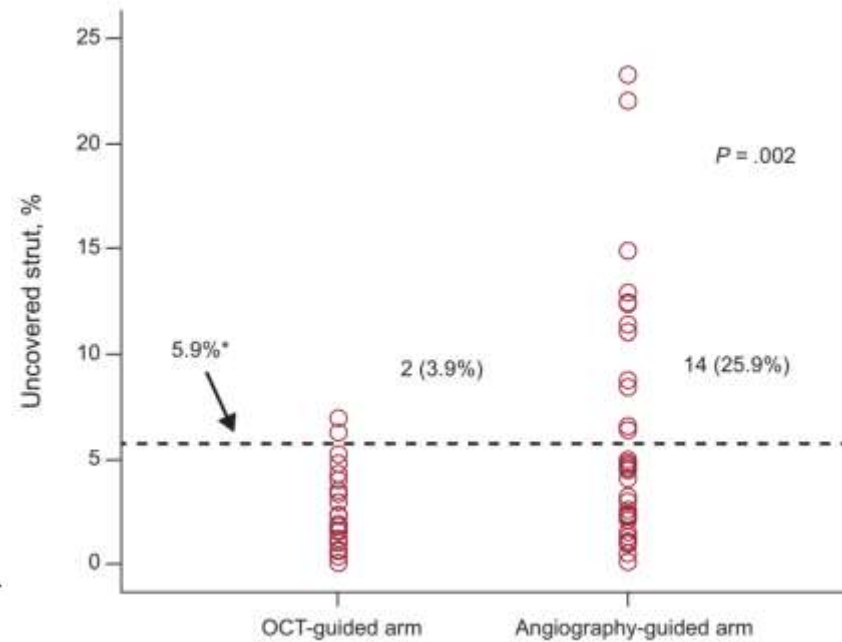
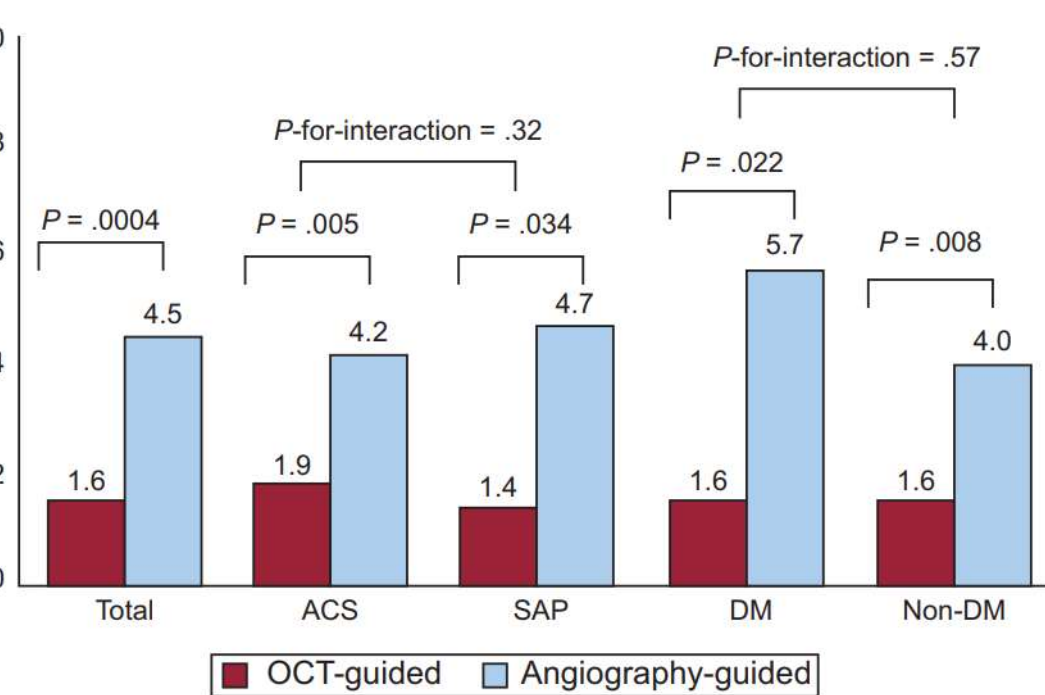
Primary endpoint : incidence
of uncovered struts



OCT-guided

Angio-guided

Stent coverage following OCT vs angio



OCT guidance vs angiographic guidance

CLI-OPCI study

One year outcome	OCT (n=335)	CAG (n=335)	P
Death	3.3%	6.9%	0.035
Cardiac death	1.2%	4.5%	0.010
MI	5.4%	8.7%	0.096
TLR	3.3%	3.3%	1
Definite ST	0.3%	0.6%	0.6
Cardiac death/MI	6.6%	13.0%	0.006
Cardiac death/MI or repeat revascularization*	9.6%	15.1%	0.034

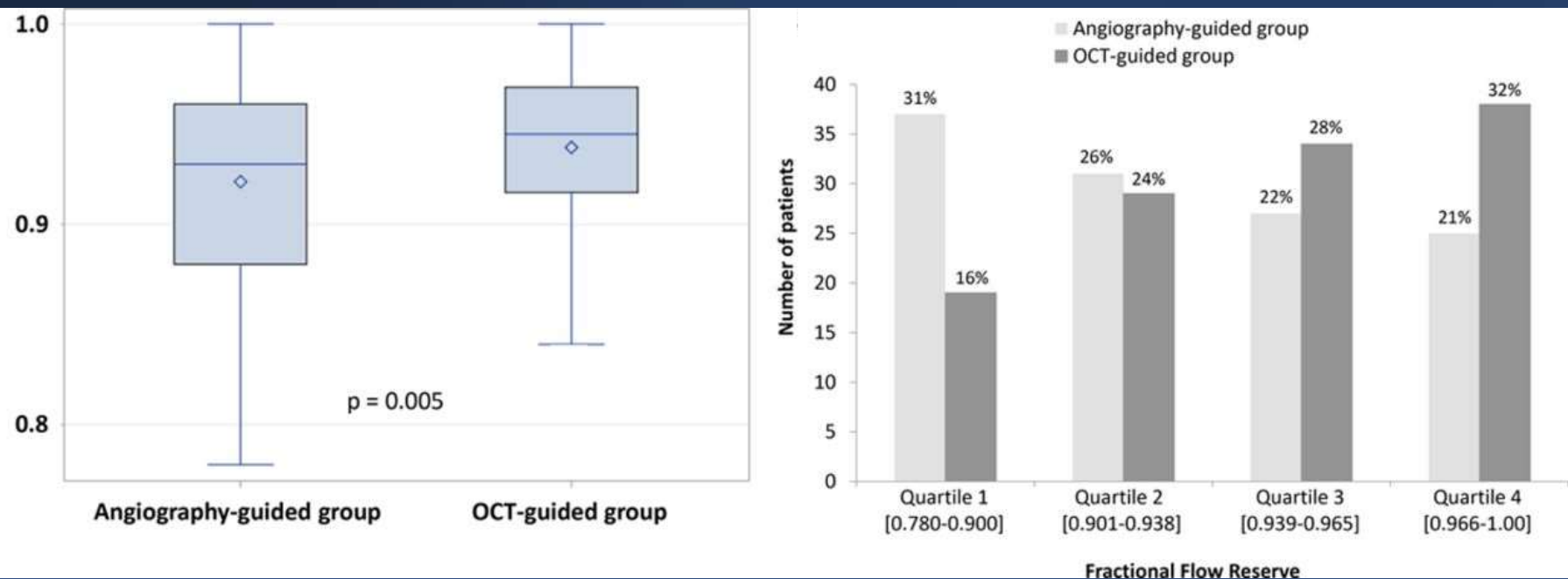
***Even after accounting for baseline and procedural differences (OR=0.49, p=0.037)**

OCT guidance vs angiographic guidance

DOCTORS study

N=240 (120 vs 120)

Multicenter, prospective, randomized trial



FFR after PCI in the angio vs OCT guided group

Meneveau et al. Circulation. 2016;134:906–917

OCT guidance vs angiographic guidance

DOCTORS study

Variable	Pre-stenting	Immediately poststenting	Post-OCT optimization	p-value
Reference diameter, mm	2.92±0.53	3.10±0.45	3.11±0.48	0.27
MLD, mm	1.21±0.33	2.79±0.46	2.84±0.43	0.001
Diameter stenosis, %	58.4±10.9	9.5±6.1	8.4±3.9	<0.0001
Reference area, mm	7.0±2.23	7.62±2.42	7.72±2.43	0.10
MLA, mm ²	1.28±0.71	5.99±2.11	6.41±1.99	<0.0001
Area stenosis, %	81.1±9.82	21.1±12.4	15.9±7.3	<0.0001

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OCT guided PCI



Stent underexpansion

PLUS...

(Minor) findings not seen on IVUS

Malapposition

Tissue protrusion

Edge dissection

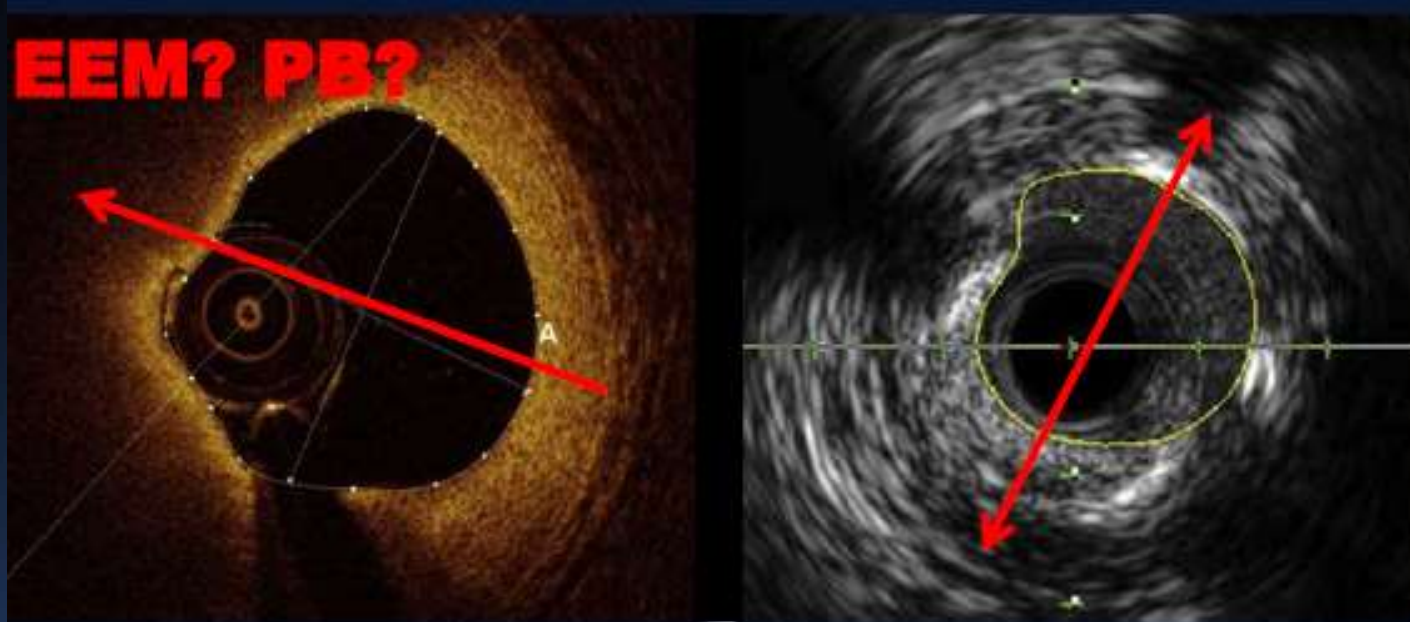
Stent underexpansion

PLUS...

Geographical miss
(major edge dissections,
Plaque burden >50%)

Characteristics of devices

	IVUS	OCT
Energy source	US	NIR laser
Resolution	100-200 um	10-20 um
Frame rate	30 fps	160 fps
Pullback velocity	0.5-2.0 mm/sec	0.5-40 mm/sec
Catheter type	RX 2.4 Fr	RX 2.4 Fr
Penetration depth	5 mm	1-2 mm
Scan diameter	20 mm	10 mm
Blood evacuation	-	Lactate Ringer and/or Contrast medium flush



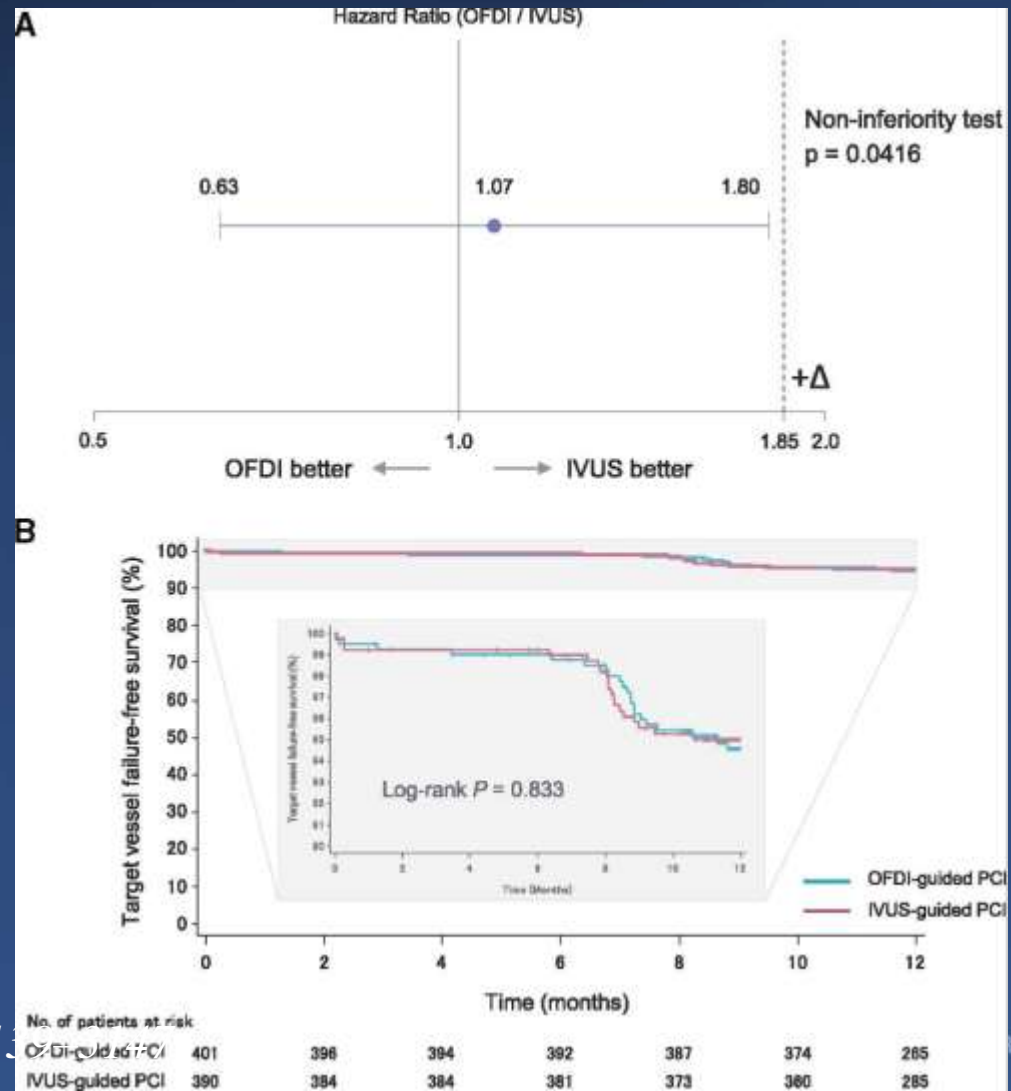
Ability to Detect Suboptimal Findings (OPUS-CLASS)

Post-PCI	IVUS	OCT	P
Malapposition	14%	39%	< 0.001
Tissue protrusion	18%	95%	< 0.001
Dissection	0%	13%	0.013
Thrombus	0%	13%	0.013

IVUS vs OCT guided PCI

OPINION Trial

Multicenter, Prospective, Randomized
trial
Optical frequency domain imaging
(OFDI) vs IVUS
Primary endpoint
target vessel failure within 12 months



IVUS vs OCT guided PCI

OPINION Trial

	OFDI-guided PCI (n = 412)	IVUS-guided PCI (n = 405)	P-value
Stent diameter (mm)	2.92 ± 0.39	2.99 ± 0.39	0.005
Total stent length (mm)	25.9 ± 13.2	24.8 ± 13.2	0.06
Multiple stenting	68 (16.5)	59 (14.6)	0.50
Pre-dilatation	316 (76.7)	316 (78.0)	0.67
Post-dilatation	316 (76.7)	304 (75.1)	0.62
Balloon dilatation of side-branch	39 (9.5%)	41 (10.1%)	0.81
Maximum balloon diameter (mm)	3.1 ± 0.8	3.3 ± 1.2	0.06
Maximum inflation pressure, atmosphere	16.0 ± 4.2	16.0 ± 4.2	0.70
No. of OFDI/IVUS procedure	3.0 ± 1.1	3.0 ± 1.1	0.14
Total amount of contrast	164 ± 66	138 ± 56	<0.001

Kubo T et al. Eur Heart J. 2017 Nov 7; 38(42): 3139–3147.

Intravascular Ultrasound Versus Optical Coherence Tomography Guidance

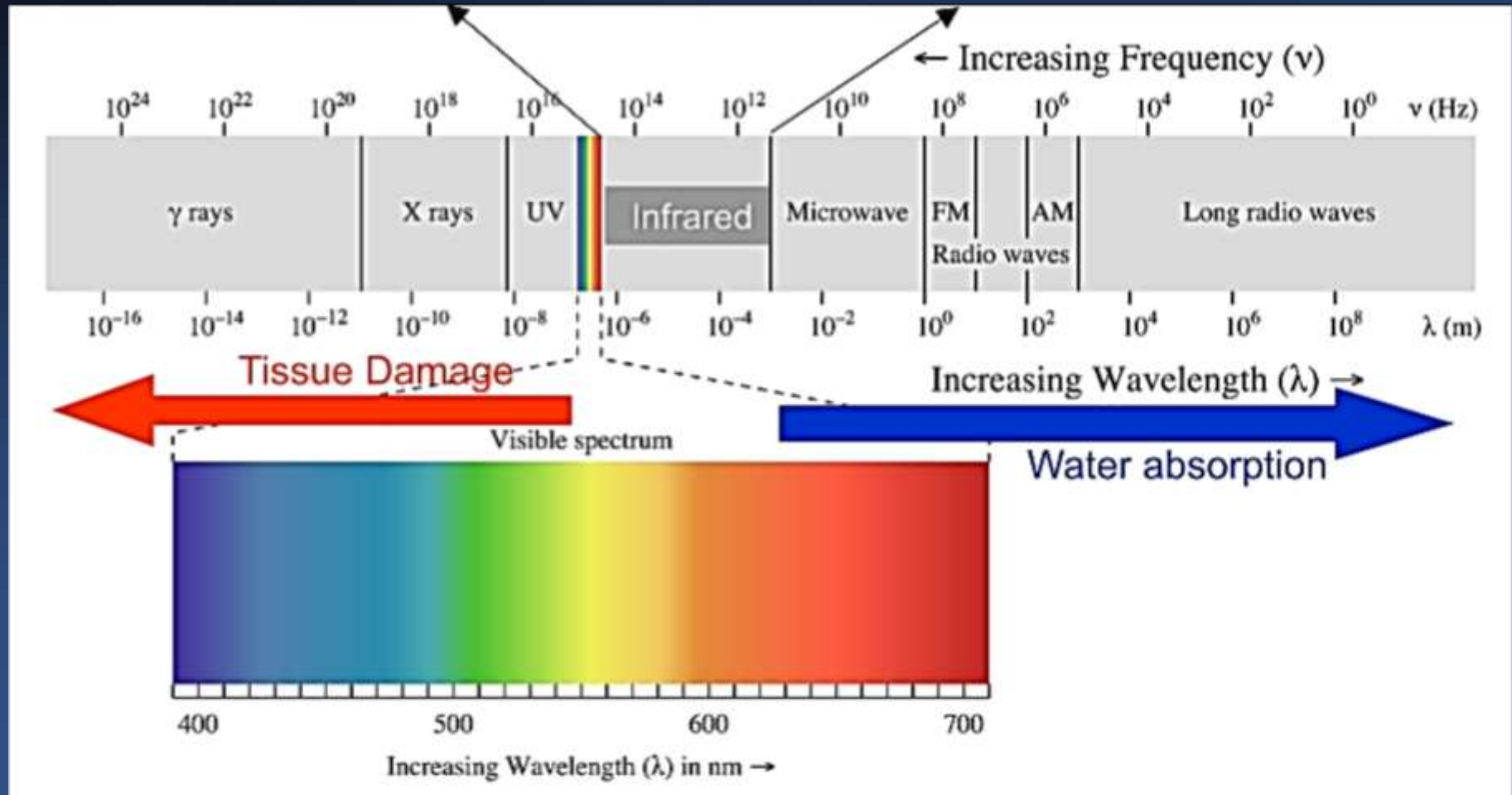
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IVUS remains the more trusted modality for stent sizing
and optimization until OCT own criteria are validated
with clinical outcomes

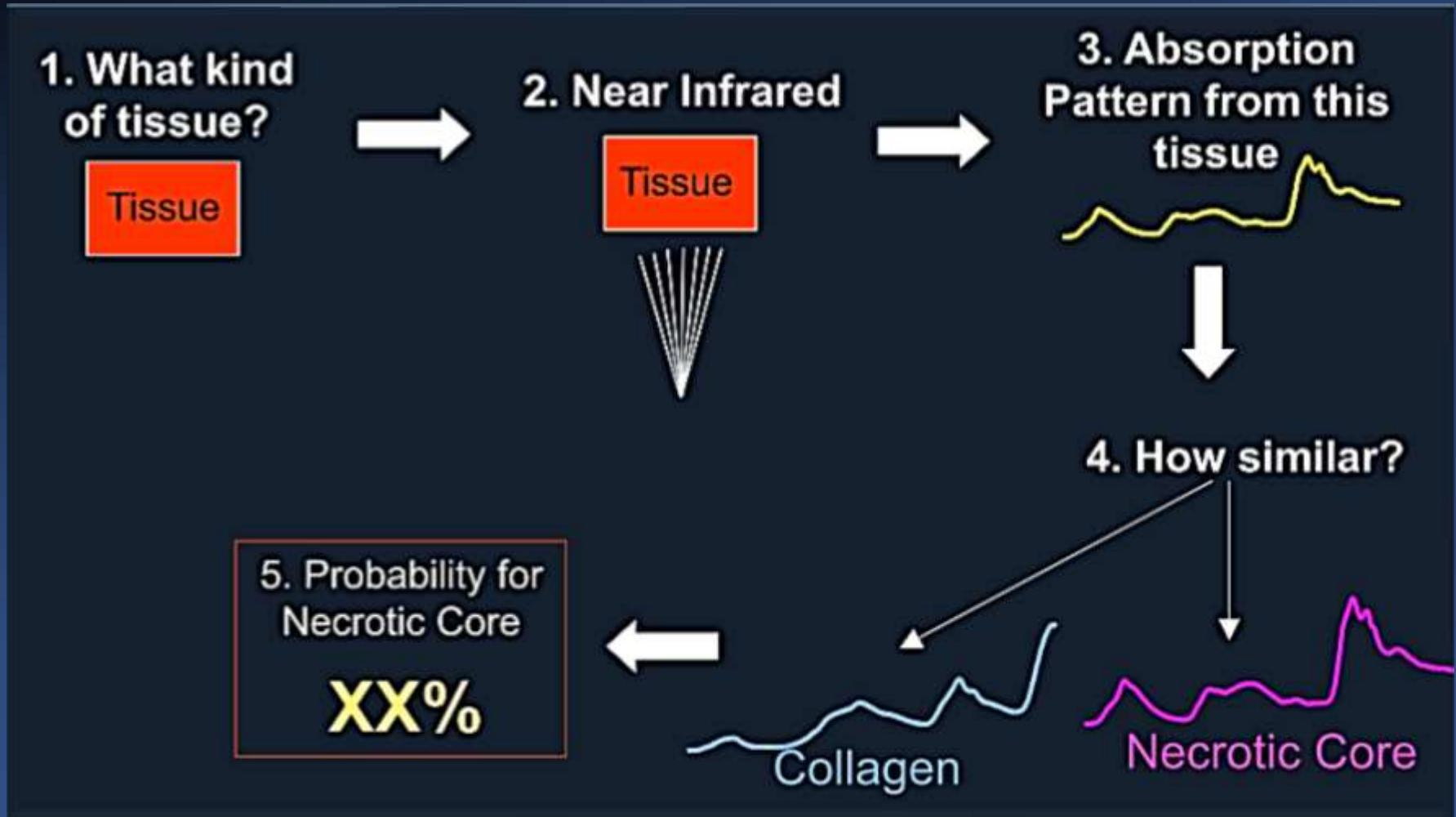
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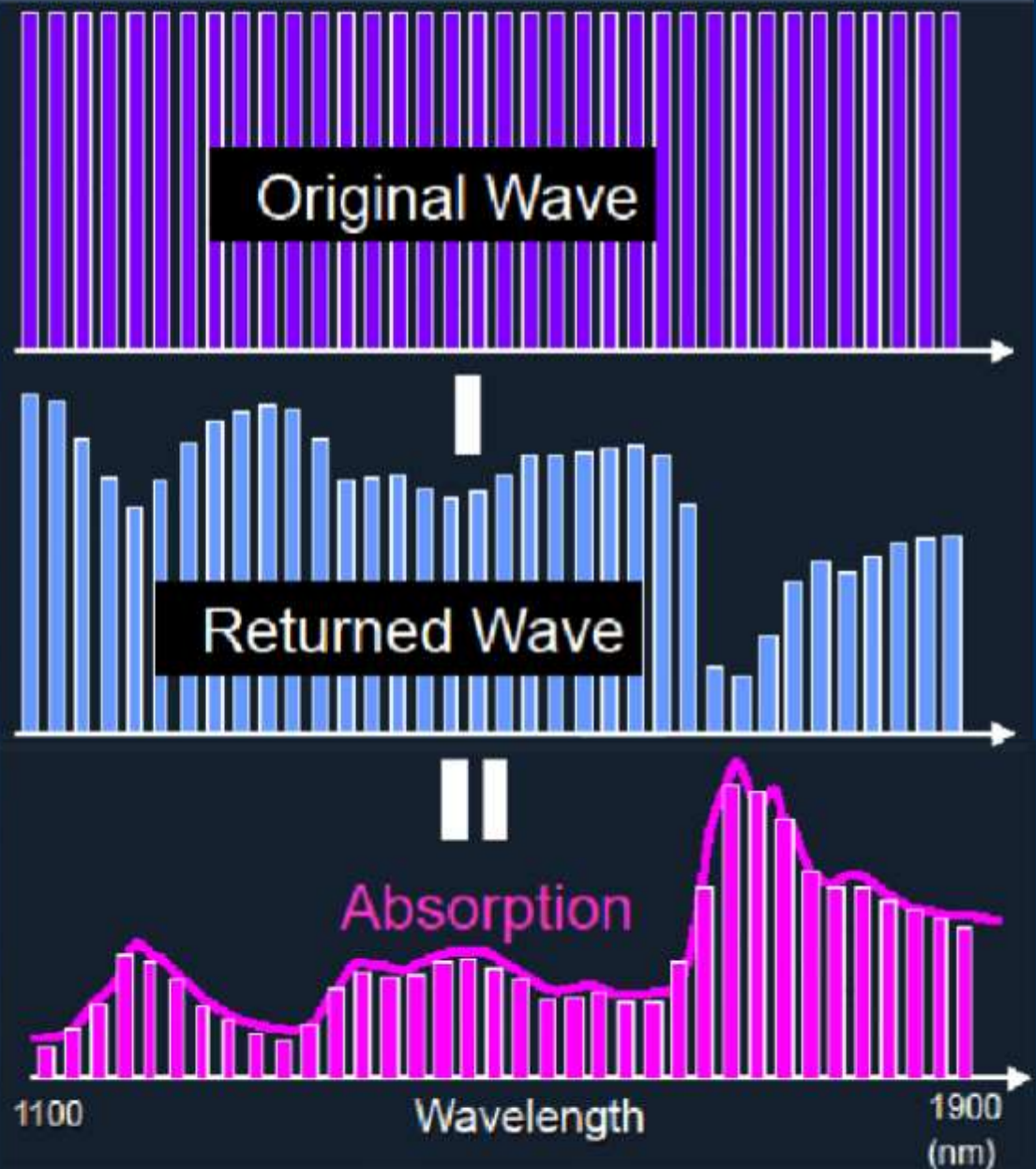
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Near-infrared Spectroscopy



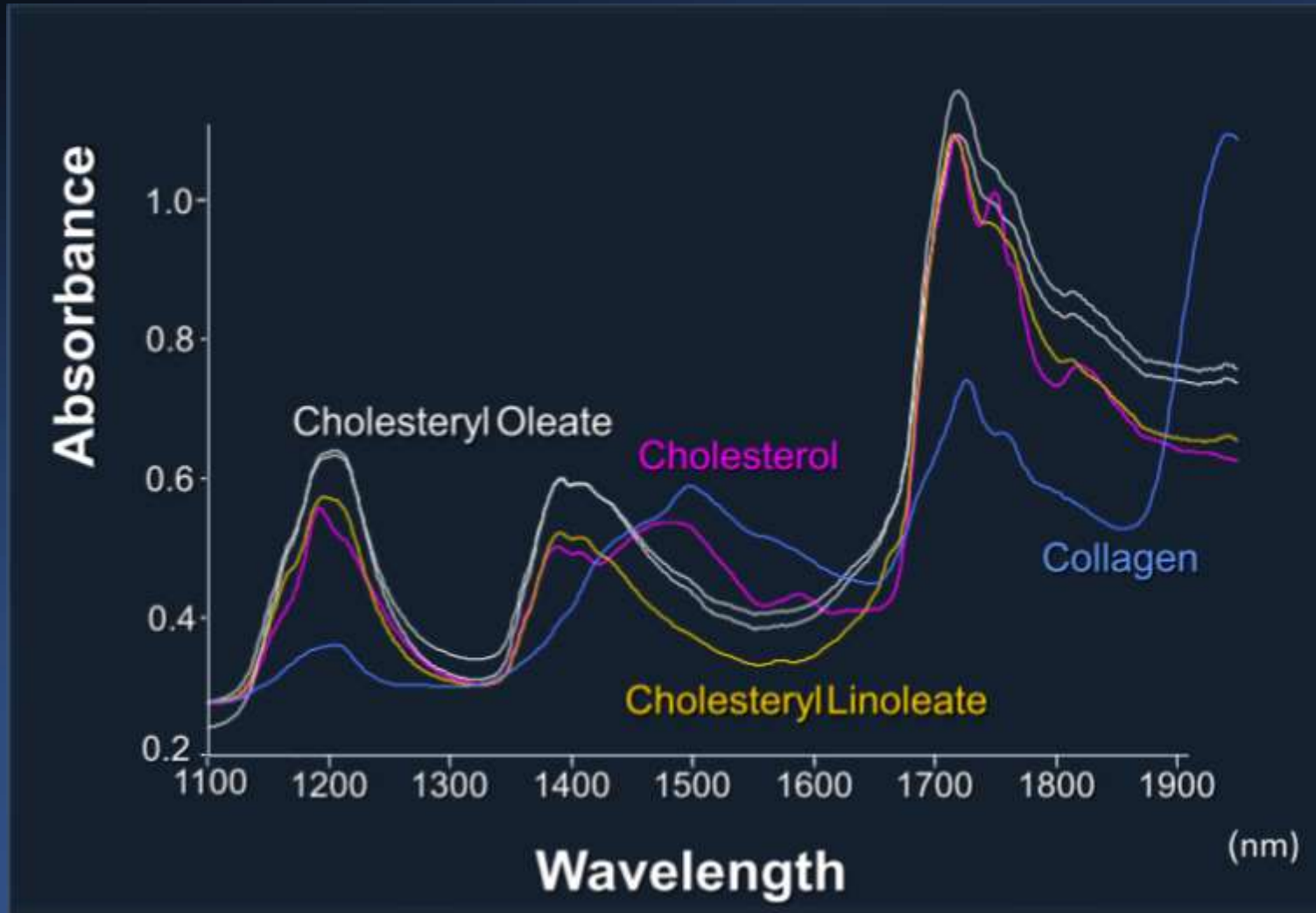
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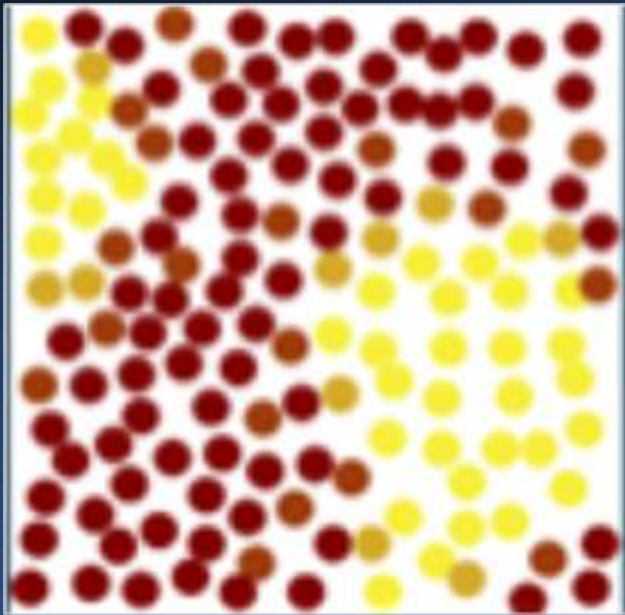


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Step 2

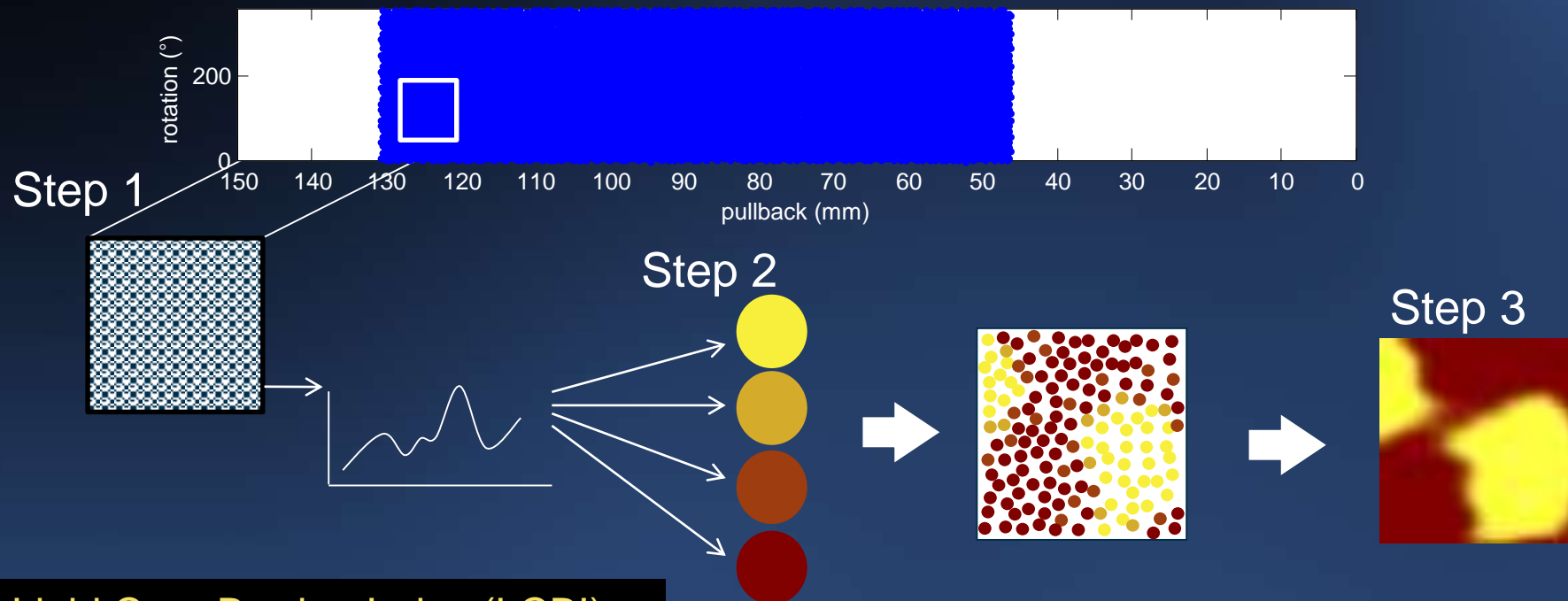


Step 3



Lipid Core Burden Index (LCBI)
= Yellow pixel / All variable pixel x 1000

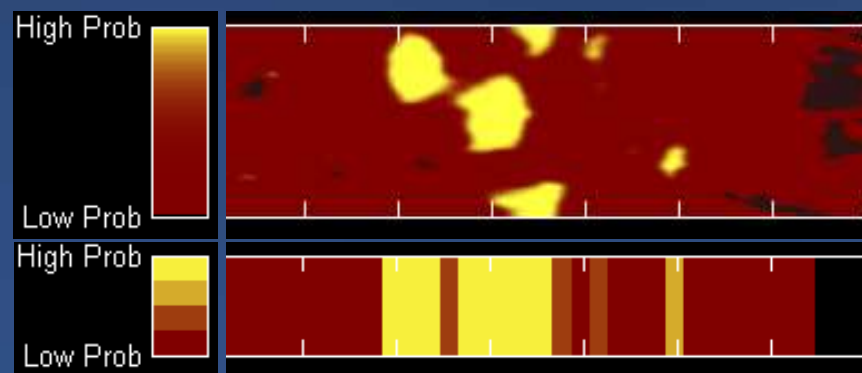
Near Infrared Spectroscopy



Lipid Core Burden Index (LCBI)

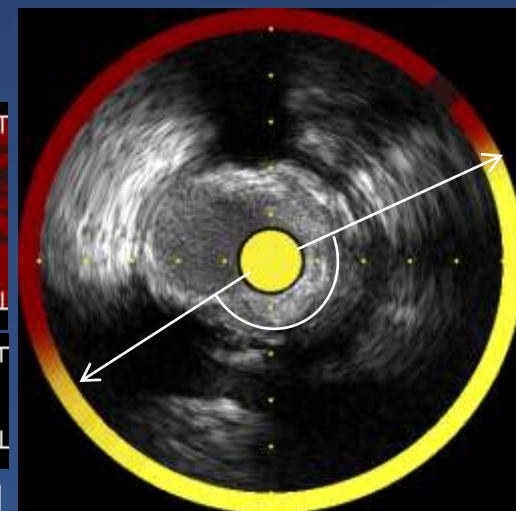
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Lesion
 $\text{LCBI Max}_{4\text{mm}}$

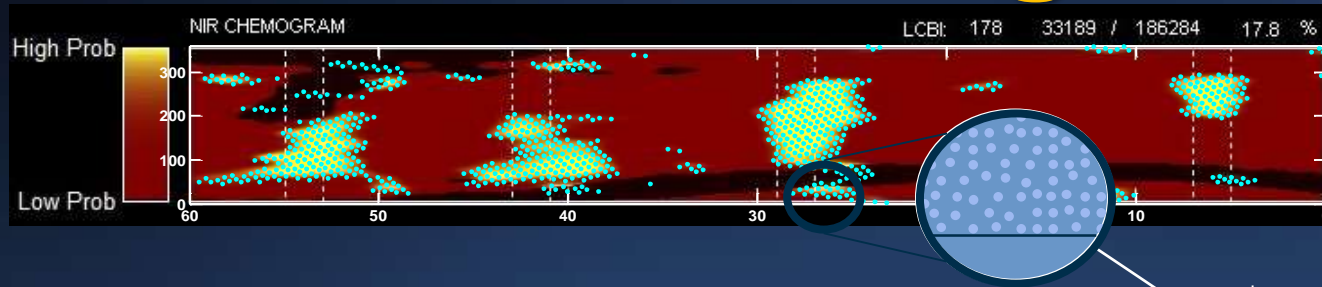


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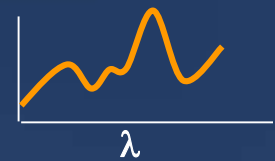
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Formation of the Cap Thickness Prediction Image



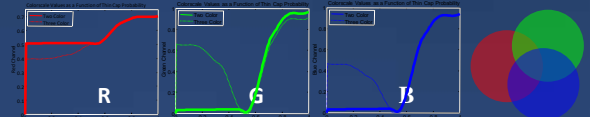
Spectra acquired at discrete pullback and rotation positions



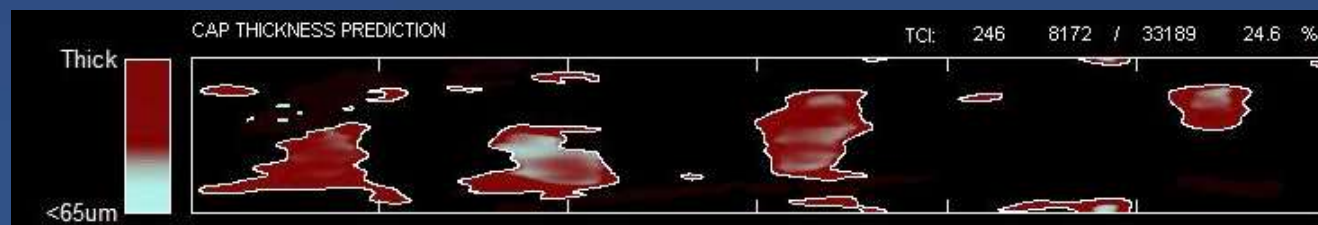
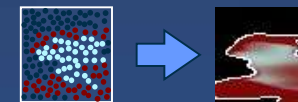
LCP Spectra transformed into posterior probability of thin cap presence



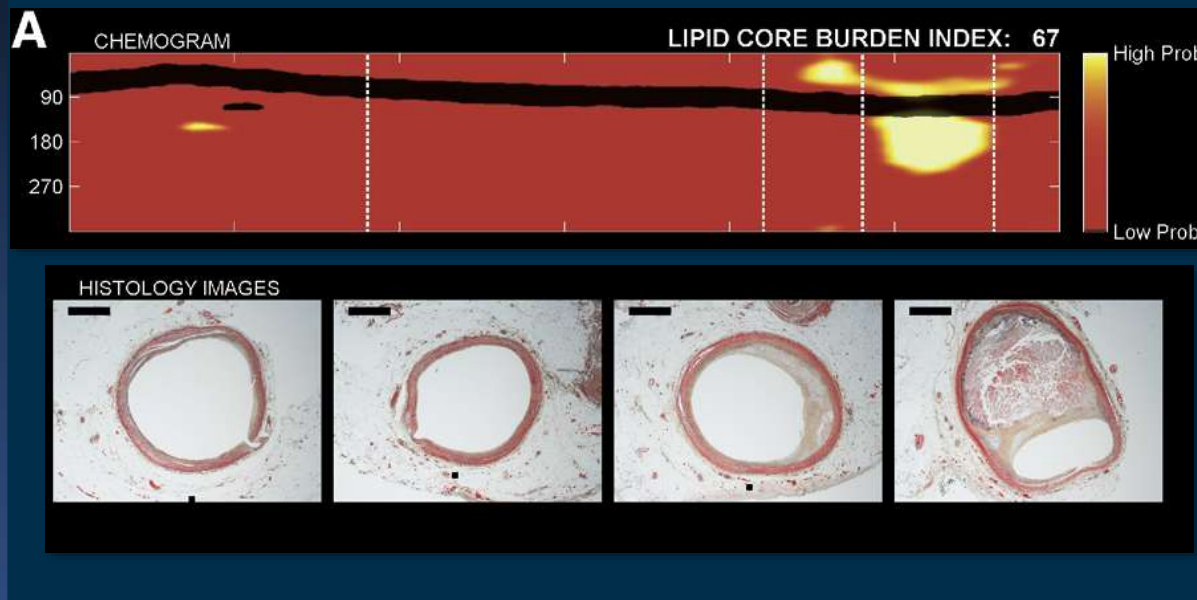
Probability mapped to a color



Pixels formed into an image



Quantification with Lipid Core Burden Index



LCBI = Lipid Core Burden Index
(% yellow pixels of ROI x 10)

maxLCBI = the 4 mm segment
with highest lipid content

Chemoigram Color

Indication

Red

Low probability of LCP

Yellow

High probability of LCP

Black overlay

Indeterminate

Possible causes:

- Guide wire
- Thrombus
- Flow disturbance

Combination NIRS-IVUS Instrument

TVC Imaging System™

- Laser
- Dual monitors, touchscreen interface
- Pull-back and rotation device

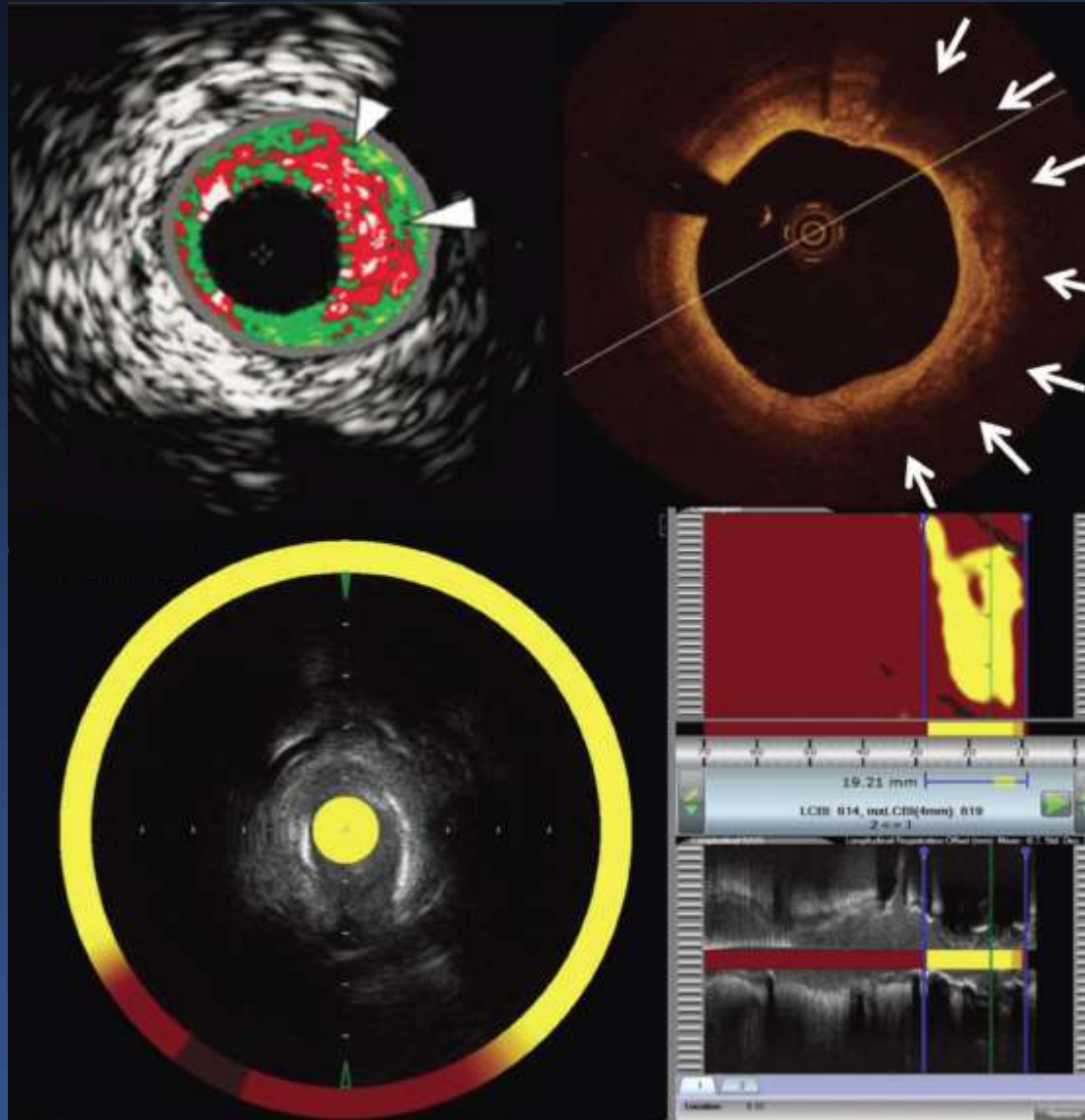
TVC Insight™ Catheter

- Single use, 3.2 Fr
- Dual modality
 - Spectroscopy detects lipid core plaque
 - IVUS detects vessel structure



Lipid Core Plaque Imaging

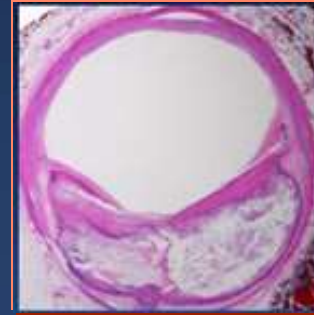
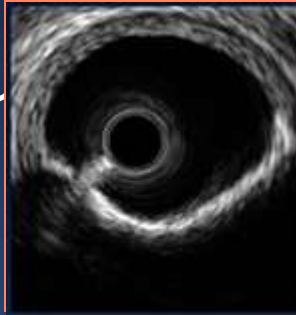
VH-IVUS vs. OCT vs. NIRS-IVUS



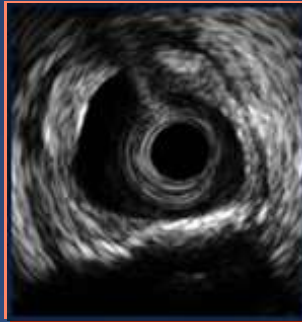
Different type of Calcified Plaque

Necrotic core

Behind Calcium

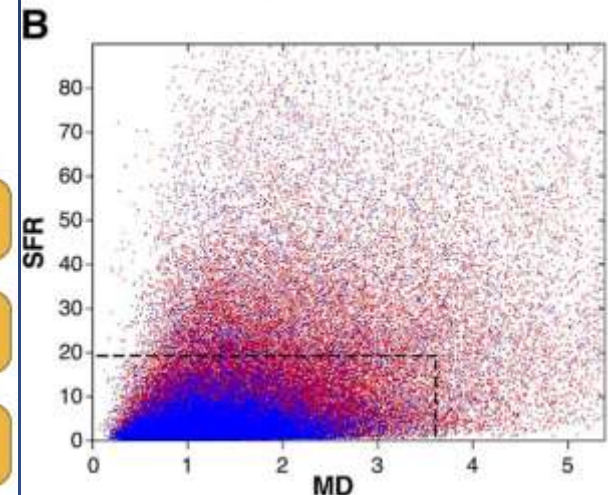
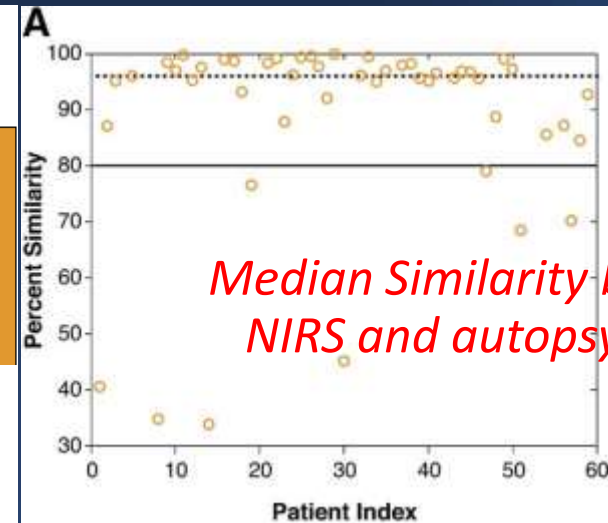
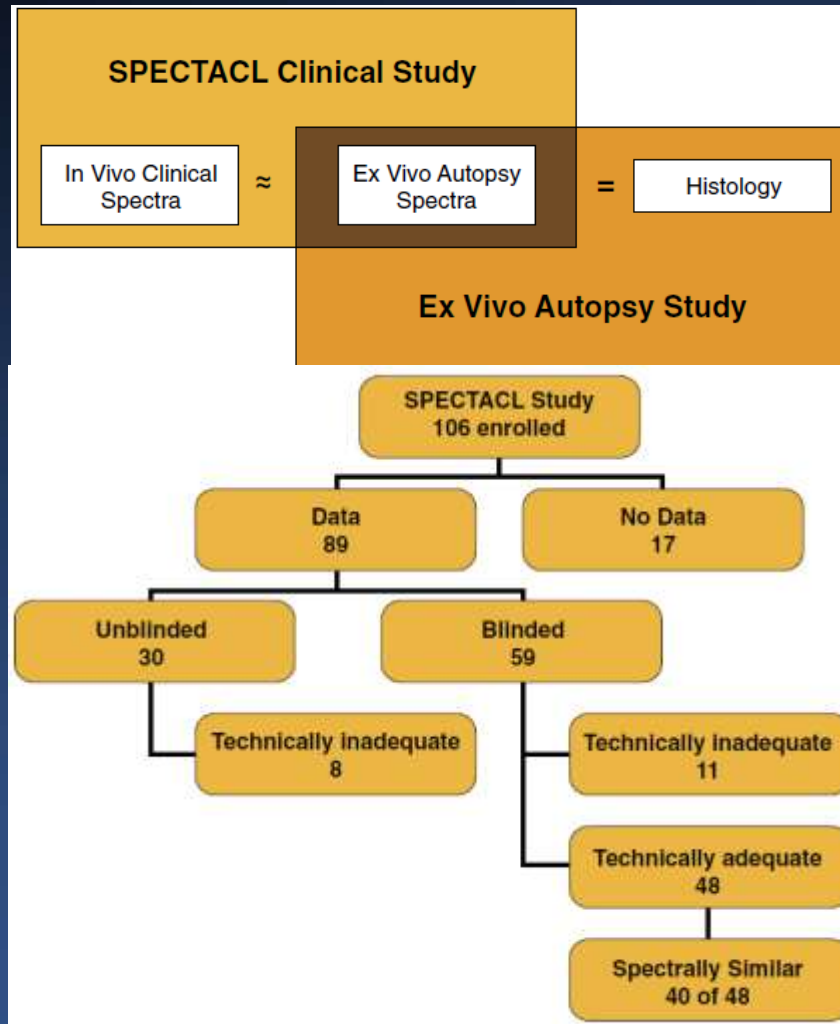


Calcium only



SPECTACL Study

In vivo Validation of NIRS for Detection of Lipid Core Coronary Plaques



Sergio et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol Img*, 2009

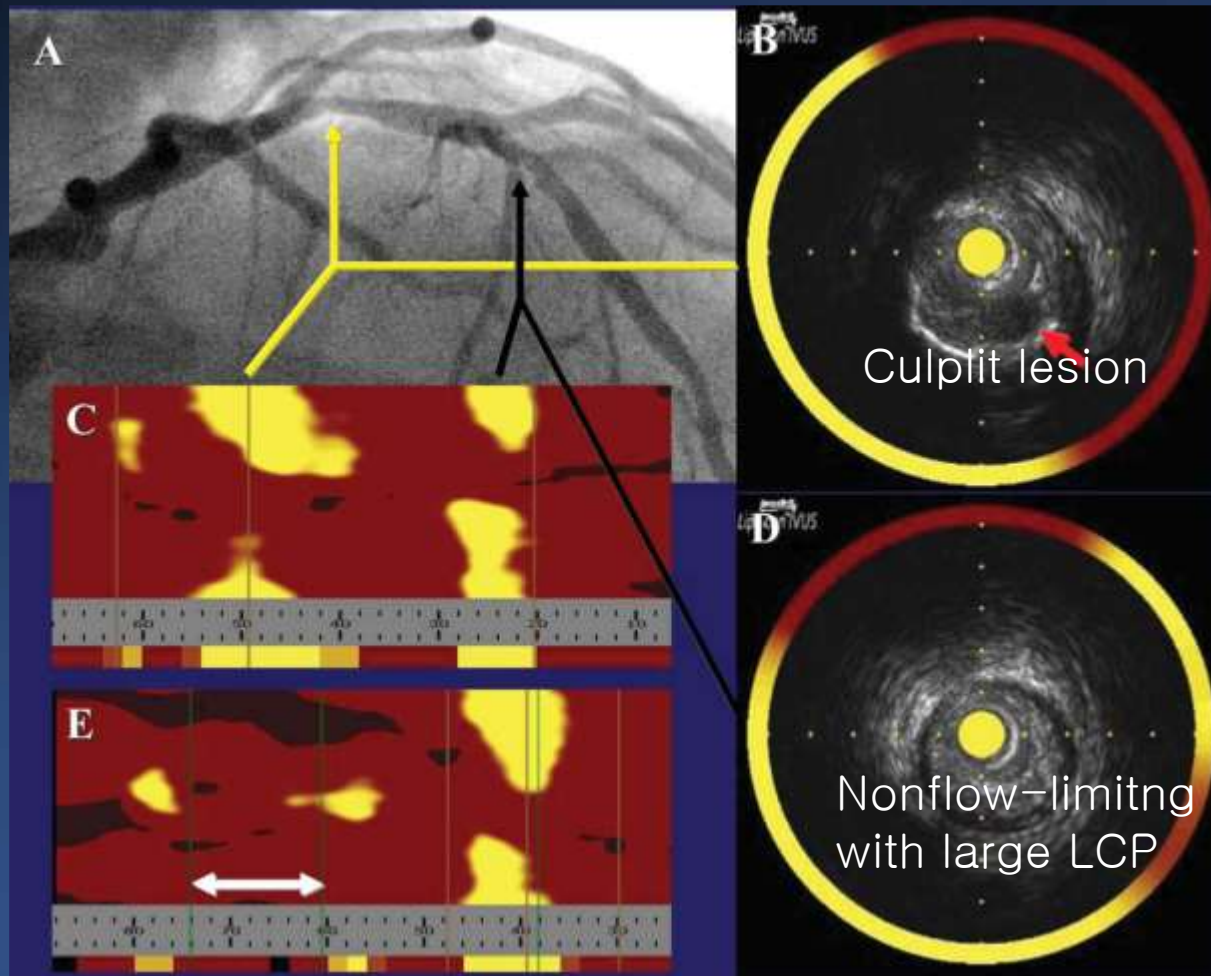
The Applications of NIRS-IVUS

- Identifying lesions possessing both architectural features and compositional data characteristic of vulnerable plaques
- Identifying large volume lipid-core plaque (LCP), which may be at greater risk for distal embolization during PCI
- Using IVUS to determine the length of vessel having significant plaque burden and delineating by NIRS the extent of the plaque burden occupied by LCP, data which may influence stent length selection
- Localizing nonculprit lesions with morphologic and compositional characteristics of “vulnerable plaque”
- Analyzing plaque composition in heavily calcified segments, a setting in which other imaging modalities have limited utility

RD Madder et al. Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions, 2013

The Applications of NIRS-IVUS

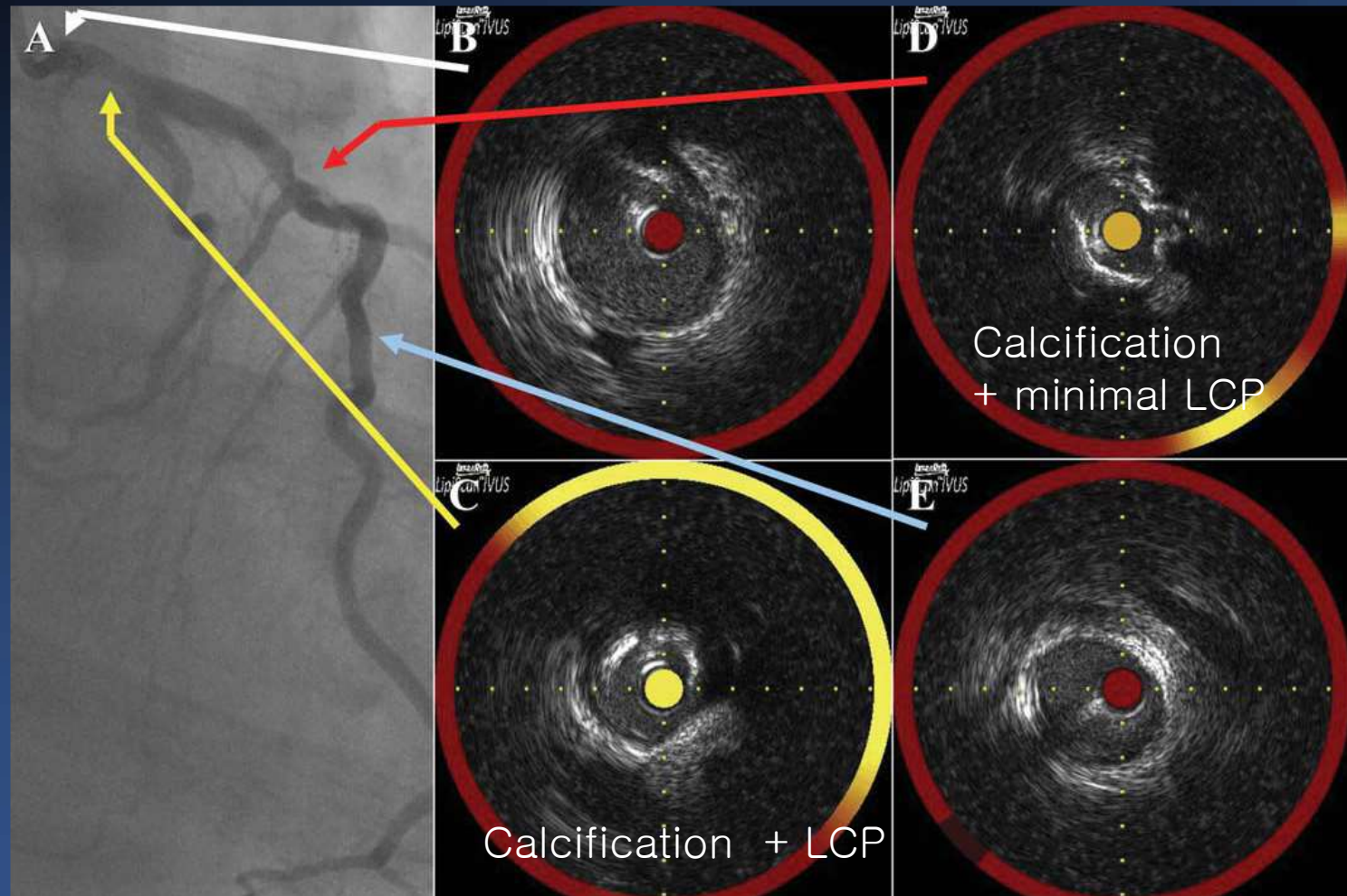
Detection of Potentially Vulnerable Nonflow-Limiting Plaque



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The Applications of NIRS-IVUS

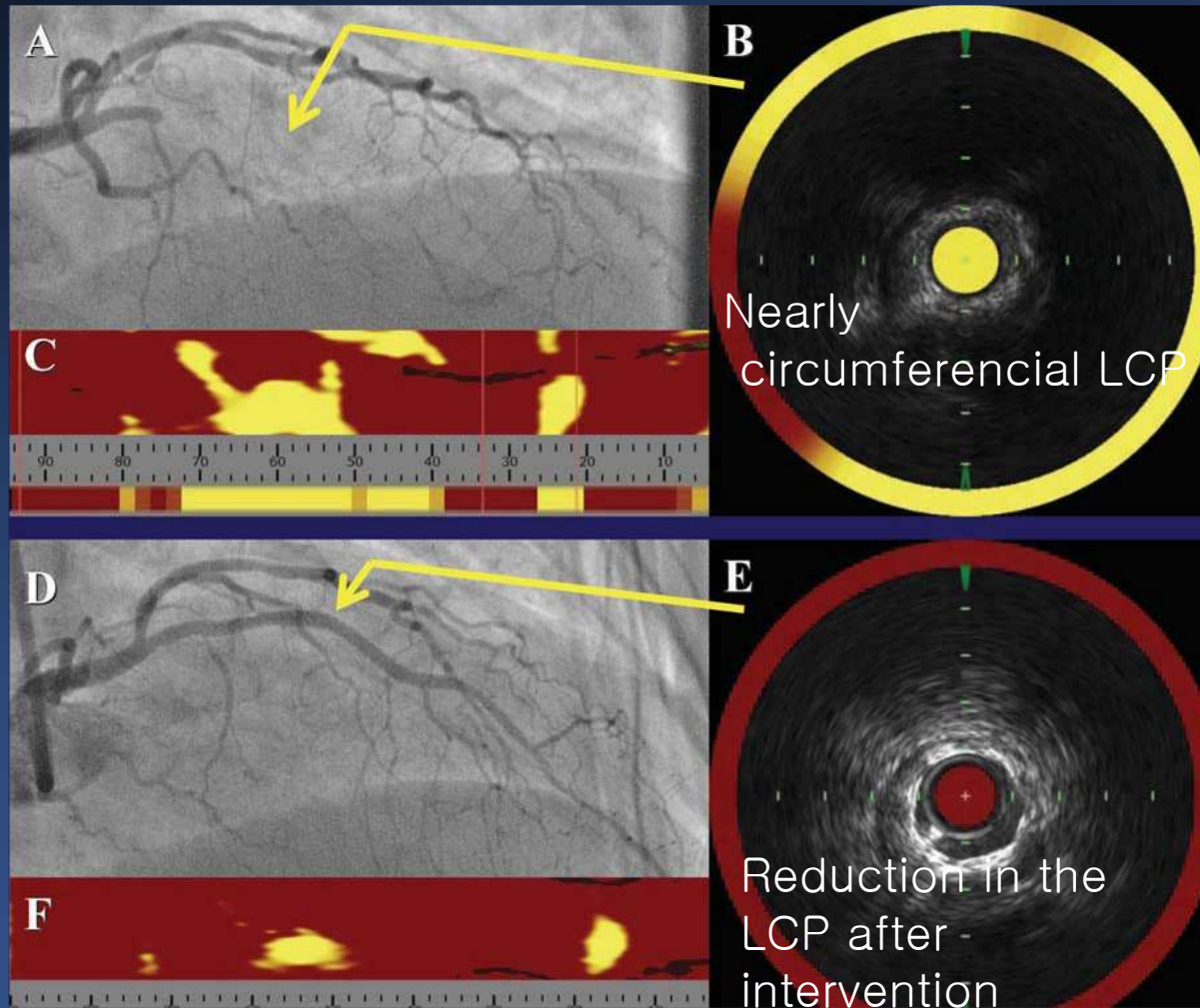
Detection of LCP despite Extensive Calcification



RD Madder et al. Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions, 2013

The Applications of NIRS-IVUS

Characterization of a Lesion Causing Chronic Total Occlusion



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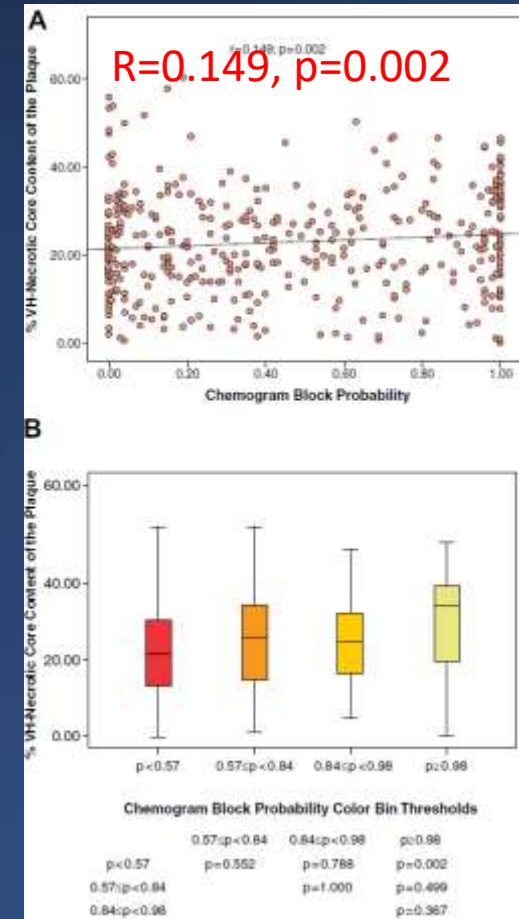
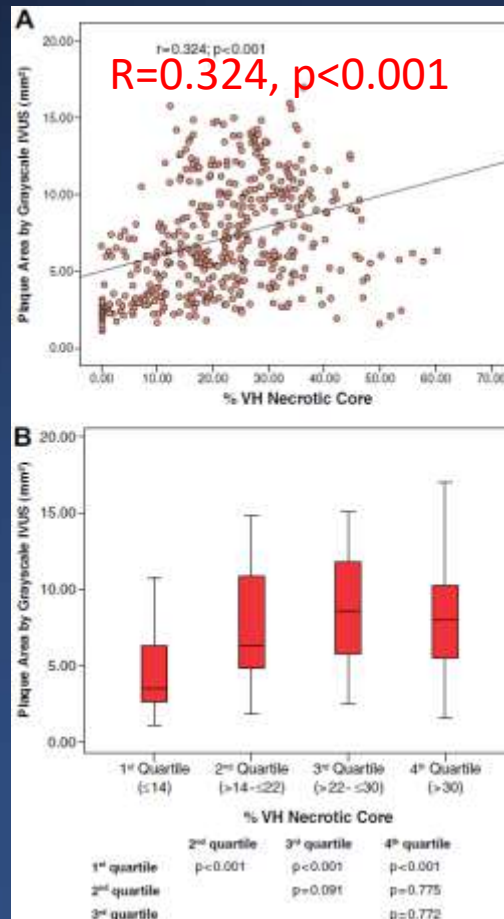
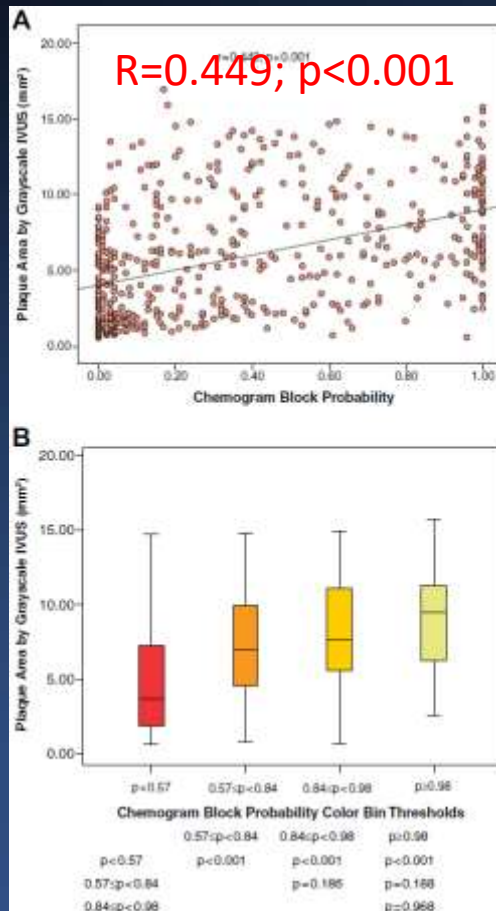
Characterization of Atherosclerosis

correlation among IVUS, NIRS and VH-NC

IVUS and NIRS

IVUS and VH-NC

NIRS and VH-NC



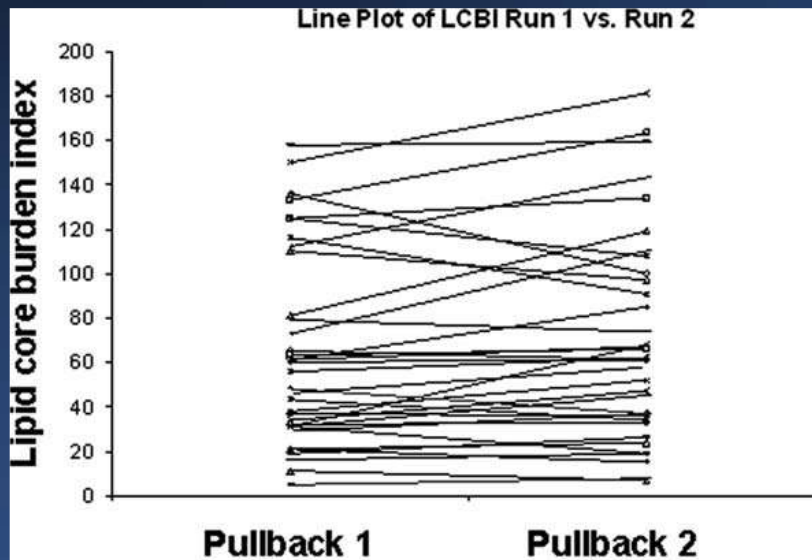
*31 patients with a common region of interest between 2 side branches

*IVUS : grayscale plaque area *NIRS : chemogram block percentage

Brugaletta et al. JACC: Cardiovascular Imaging, 2011

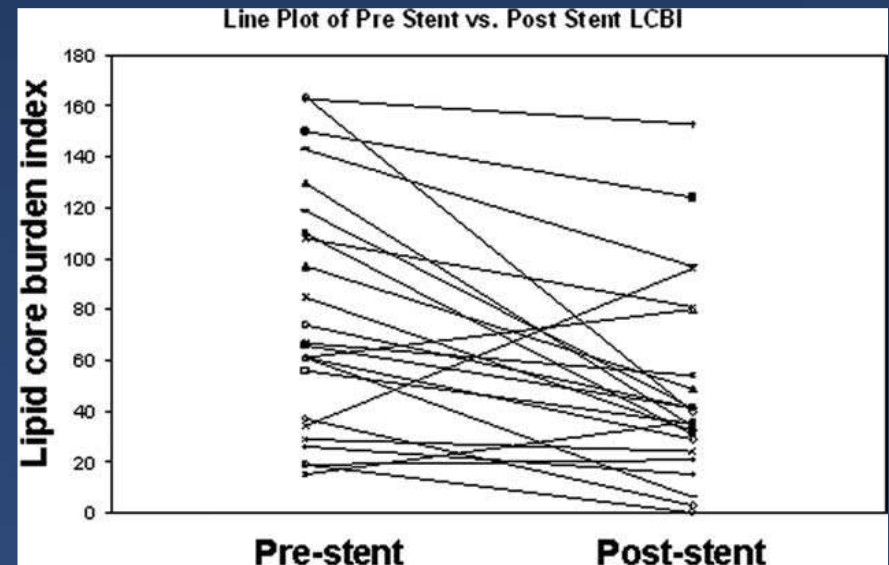
Reproducibility of NIRS

Automated pullback catheter
performed in duplicate
in 36 vessels in 31 patients



Excellent correlation

The changes in LCBI
after stenting
in 25 vessels in 22 patients

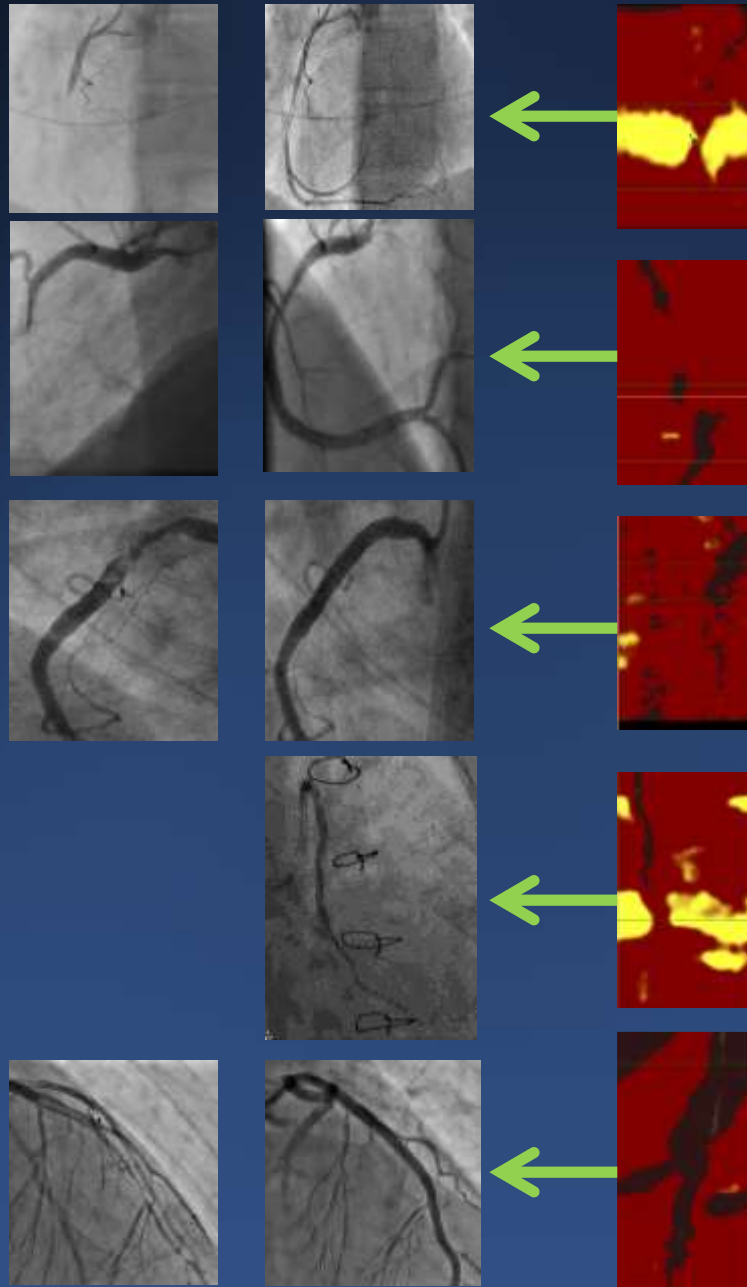


The mean LCBI decreased by 40%

BA Garcia et al. Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions, 2010

Five Different STEMI

NIRS-IVUS Reveals Five Different Causes



Lipid Core Plaque

Courtesy Dr. Ryan Madder

Stent Thrombosis

Courtesy Dr. David Erlinge

Calcified Nodule

Courtesy Dr. Ryan Madder

Lipid Core In SVG

Courtesy Dr. David Erlinge

Dissection

Courtesy Dr. David Erlinge

NIRS Findings in STEMI Patients

Initial Angio

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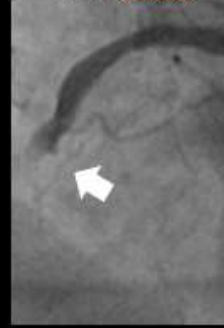


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Initial Angio

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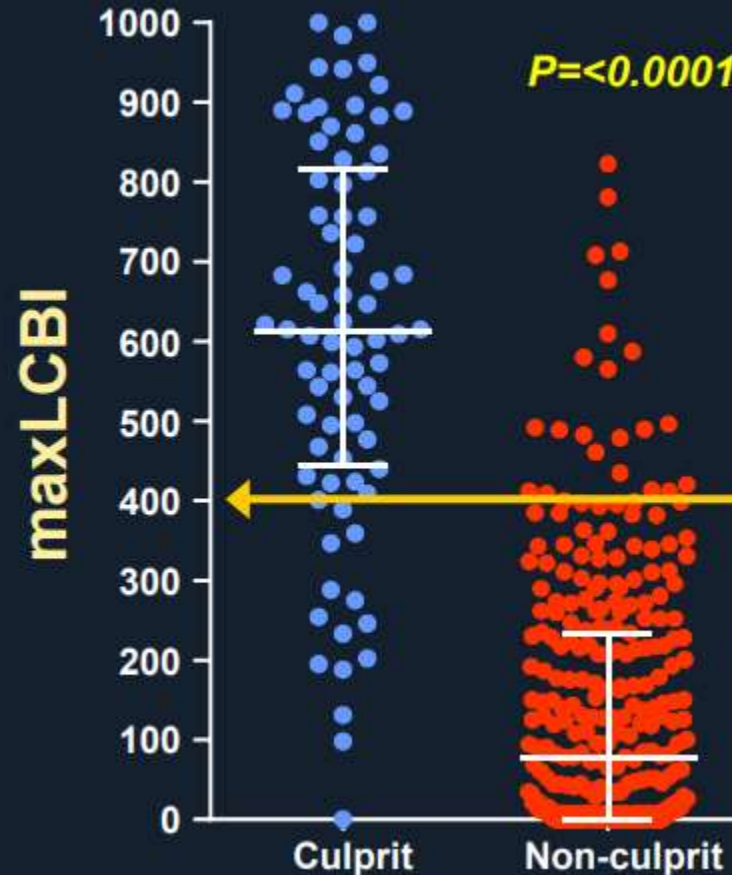
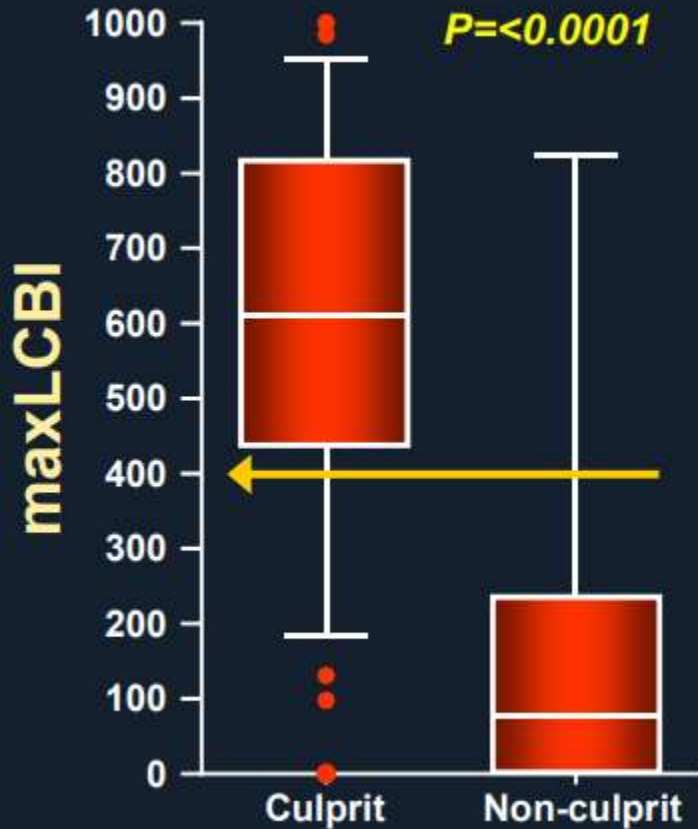


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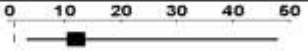





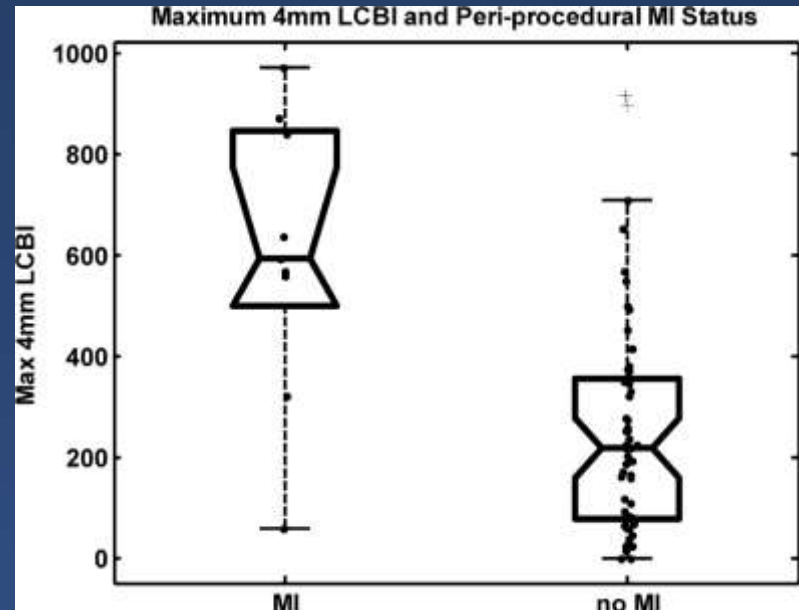
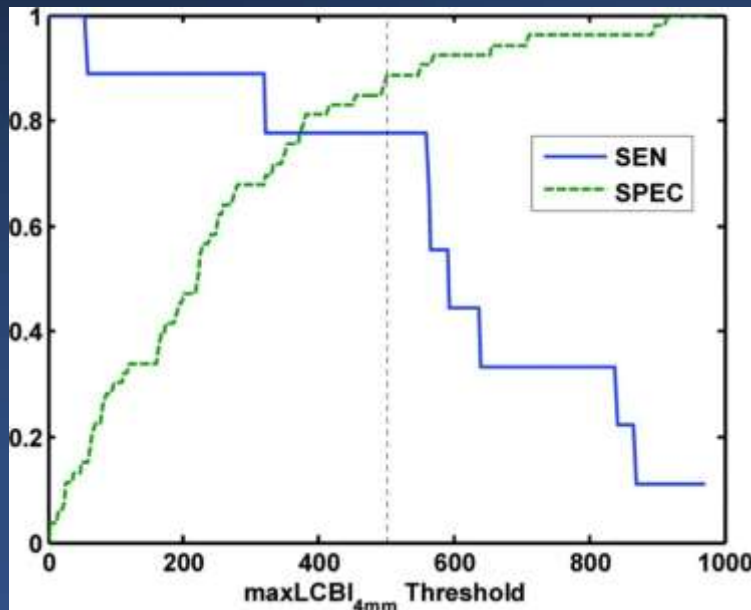
Culprit vs. non-culprit in STEMI

The characteristic of NIRS



Lipidic Plaque detected by NIRS and Periprocedural MI

Parameter*	Threshold†	Relative risk of peri-procedural MI (95% CI)		p‡
maxLCBI _{4mm}	≥500		12 (3.3 to 48)	0.0002
LDL – mg/dL	>100		5.4 (1.4 to 23)	0.03§
Complex Plaque	Y		3.5 (0.91 to 14)	0.15
Degree Stenosis – %	>75		3.1 (0.92 to 11)	0.14**



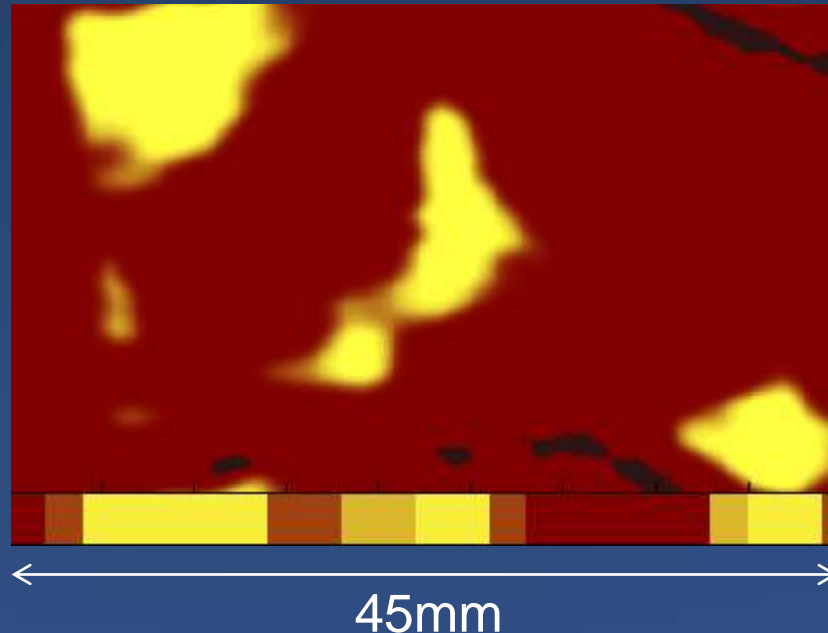
LCBI > 500 associated with 50% risk of periprocedural MI (95% CI, 28–62)

Goldstein, JA, et al. *Circulation: Cardiovascular Interventions*. 2011; 4: 429-437

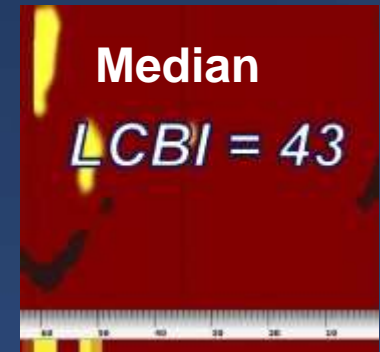
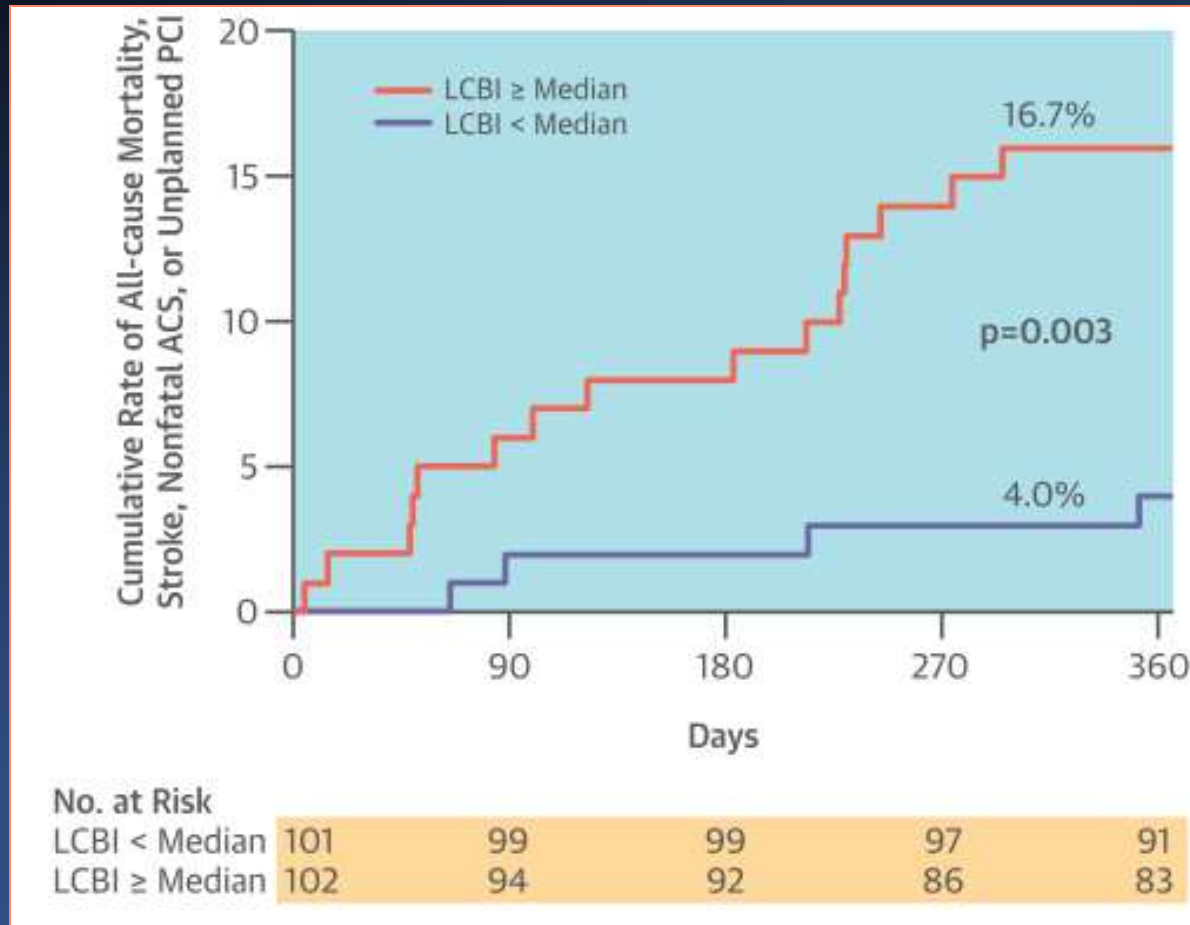
Relationship between Lipidic Plaque detected by NIRS and Outcomes

- Prospective Single Center Study, 206 patients (ACS 47%)
- Primary Endpoint: Composite of all-cause mortality, non-fatal ACS, stroke and unplanned PCI during one-year FU
- >40mm non culprit segment of NIRS

Lipid Core Burden
Index (LCBI)=188



Relationship between Lipidic Plaque detected by NIRS and Outcomes

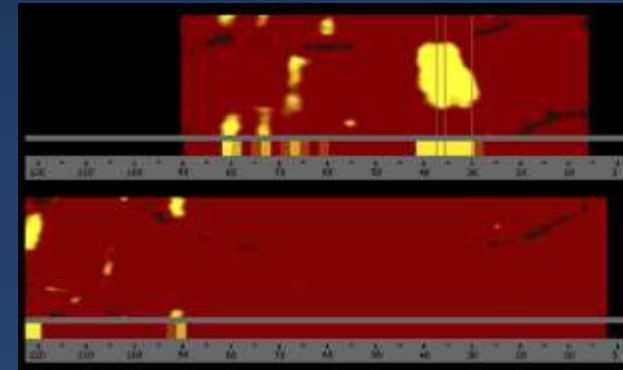
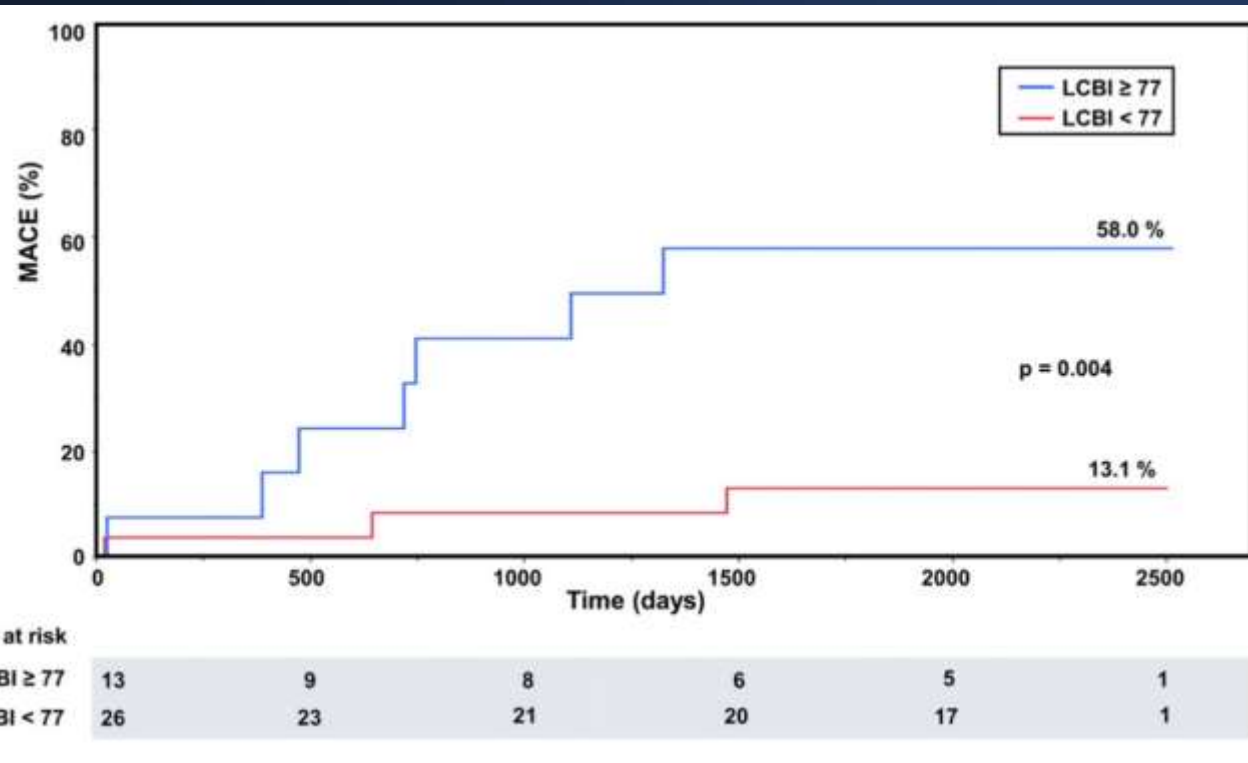


Adjusted HR 4.04 95% CI:1.3-12.3 $p=0.01$

Oemrawsingh RM et al, JACC 2014;64:2510-8

Relationship between Lipidic Plaque detected by NIRS and Outcomes

ORACLE-NIRS registry



Danek BA et al. *Cardiovasc Revasc Med.* 2017 Apr - May;18(3):177-181

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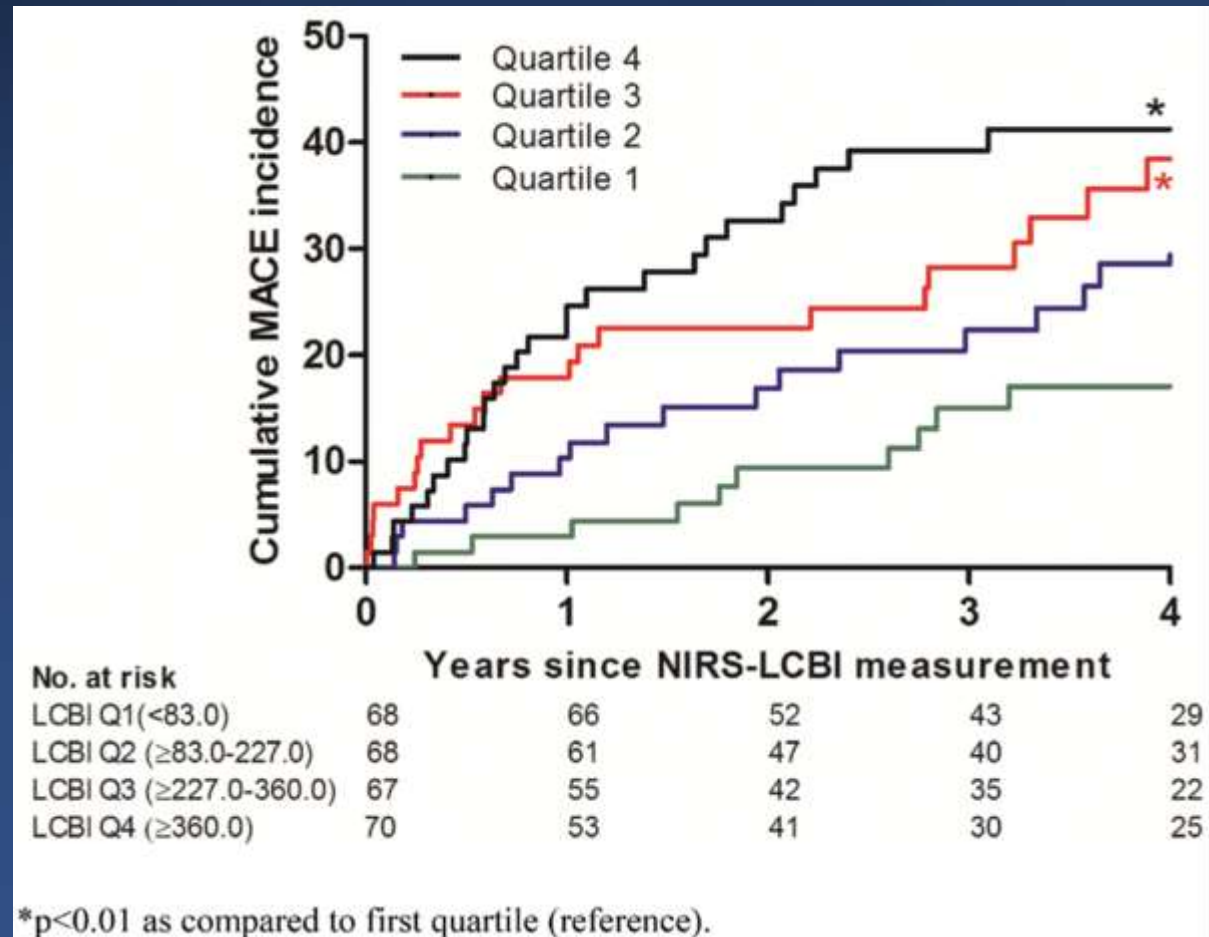
ATHEROREMO-NIRS and IBIS-3-NIRS substudy

ATHEROREMO-NIRS
n= 203 (Apr 2009 – Jan 2011)

IBIS-3-NIRS
n= 131 (Jan 2010 – Jun 2013)

Diagnostic CAG or PCI for
ACS and SAP

Median follow-up : 4.1 yrs



Schumann et al Eur Heart J. 2018 Jan 21;39(4):295-302.

Capabilities of Coronary Imaging Techniques

	CAG	Angioscopy*	OCT*	IVUS	NIRS
Lipid Core		●	●	●	●
Expansive Remodeling				●	
Plaque Burden				●	
Calcification	●		●	●	
Lumen Dimension	●		●	●	
Stent Apposition/Expansion	●		●	●	
Thin Cap		●	●	●	●
Thrombus	●	●	●	●	●

- Direct, robust, and/or validated
- Indirect, inferred from signal dropout, debated and/or unvalidated

* Require blood-free field of view

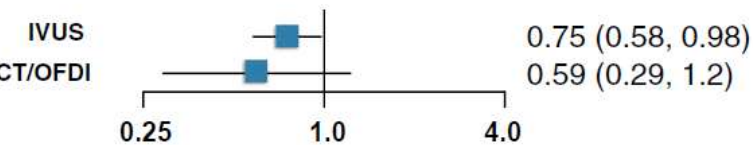
Angio vs. IVUS vs. OCT/OFDI

Meta analysis

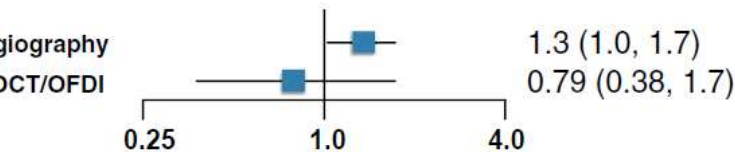
All cause mortality

Odds Ratio

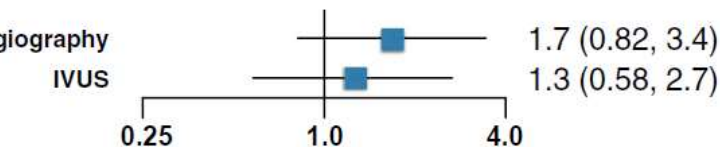
Compared with Angiography



Compare with IVUS



Compared with OCT/OFDI



	Angiography	IVUS	OCT/OFDI
MACE			
Angiography	-	0.79 (0.67-0.91)	0.68 (0.49-0.97)
IVUS	1.30 (1.10-1.50)	-	0.87 (0.61-1.30)
OCT/OFDI	1.50 (1.00-2.00)	1.10 (0.78-1.60)	-
Cardiovascular death			
Angiography	-	0.47 (0.32-0.66)	0.31 (0.13-0.66)
IVUS	2.10 (1.50-3.10)	-	0.66 (0.27-1.50)
OCT/OFDI	3.20 (1.50-7.60)	1.50 (0.66-3.70)	-
MI			
Angiography	-	0.74 (0.58-0.90)	0.66 (0.35-1.20)
IVUS	1.40 (1.10-1.90)	-	1.10 (0.60-2.10)
OCT/OFDI	1.30 (0.72-2.30)	0.90 (0.47-1.70)	-
TLR			
Angiography	-	0.74 (0.58-0.90)	0.66 (0.35-1.20)
IVUS	1.40 (1.10-1.70)	-	0.88 (0.47-1.60)
OCT/OFDI	1.50 (0.83-2.90)	1.10 (0.61-2.10)	-
Stent thrombosis			
Angiography	-	0.42 (0.20-0.72)	0.39 (0.10-1.20)
IVUS	2.40 (1.40-5.10)	-	0.93 (0.24-3.40)
OCT/OFDI	2.60 (0.80-10.0)	1.10 (0.29-4.20)	-