

An Evidence-based Rationale for Successful CTO Recanalization

Overview of Indications, Technique and Clinical Outcomes for CTO Revascularization – a US-based Perspective

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CTOs in Perspective

Despite novel technologies/DES, frequency of attempted CTOs has not changed over the past decade

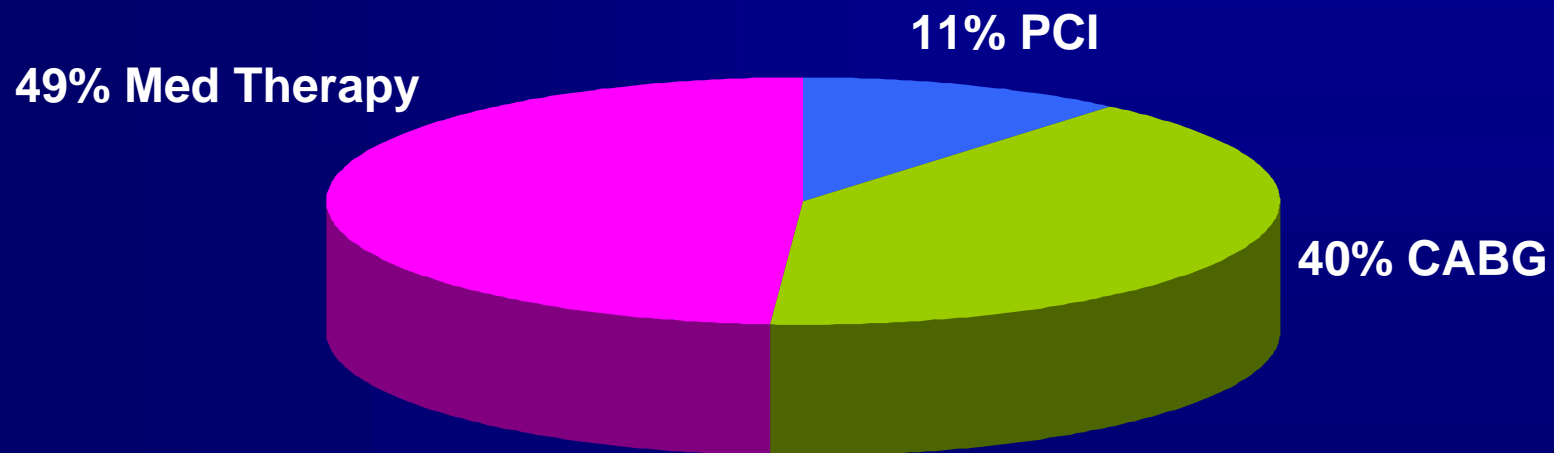
- Technical/procedural challenges
- Uncertainty regarding which patients may benefit balanced by
- Concern for complications in patients who may not derive clinical benefit
- Misperceptions regarding viability, collateral flow



CTOs in a US Perspective

CTO present in 52% of patients with significant CAD ($\geq 70\%$ stenosis)

1990-2000, N=3,087



Christofferson et al. *Am J Cardiol* 2005



CTO Representation in DES Trials

Trial	N	% CTO
ARRIVE 1	2,586	1.8
ARRIVE 2	4,933	2.0
DIABETES	221	13.1
e-Cypher	14,316	2.9
WISDOM	903	7.0



BMS in CTOs: Procedural and Angiographic Outcomes

Trial	N	Reocclusion			Restenosis			Target Vessel Revasc		
		PTCA	Stent	P	PTCA	Stent	P	PTCA	Stent	P
Stenting in Chronic Coronary Occlusion (SICCO)	114	26%	16%	0.058	74%	32%	<0.01	42%	22%	0.025
Gruppo Italiano di Studi sulla Stent nelle Occlusioni coronariche (GISSOC)	110	34%	8%	0.004	68%	32%	0.0008	22%	5%	0.04
Mori et al. 1996	96	11%	7%	0.04	57%	28%	0.005	49%	28%	<0.05
Stent vs Percutaneous Angioplasty in Chronic Total Occlusion (SPACTO)	85	24%	3%	0.01	64%	32%	0.01	40%	25%	NS
Total Occlusion Study of Canada (TOSCA)	410	20%	11%	0.02	70%	55%	<0.01	15%	8%	0.03
Primary Stenting of Occluded Native Coronary Arteries (PRISON)	200	7.3%	8.2%	NS	33.3	21.9	0.14	10%	2.5%	0.002
Stents in Total Occlusion for Restenosis Prevention (STOP)	96	17%	8%	NS	71%	42%	0.032	42%	25%	NS

DES in CTO Revascularization

SES and PES Registries

Trial	N	6 months			1 year	
		ABR	TVR	MACE	TVR	MACE
SICTO, EuroPCR 2004	25	0	8.0	0		
E-Cypher, TCT2004	360		1.4*	3.1		
RESEARCH, JACC 2004	56	9.1	3.6	3.6		
Werner, JACC 2004	48	8.3			6.3	12.5
Nakamura, AJC 2005	60	2.0	3.0		3.0	
TRUE Registry, TCT2005	183	17.0 [†]	16.9 [†]	17.1 [†]		
Ge, EHJ 2005	122	9.2	9.0	16.4		

Data expressed as percentages. *Denotes TLR, [†]7-month outcomes



DES in CTO Revascularization

SES and PES Comparative Studies

Trial	N		ABR (%)		TVR (%)		MACE (%)	
	SES	PES	SES	PES	SES	PES	SES	PES
RESEARCH/ T-SEARCH, ACC 2004*	76	57			2.6	3.6		
Asian Registry, TCT2005*	396	526	4.0	6.7	3.6	6.7	3.6	6.7
Suarez de Lezo, AHA 2005 ^{†,‡}	60	58	7.4	19.0	3.3	7.0	3.0	7.0

P=NS for all comparisons.

*1-year outcomes, [†]8 month outcomes, [‡]Angiographic f/u in only 48% of patients



PRISON II

200 CTO* Patients

- 2 centers
- Single Blinded Randomization
- Successful recanalization

Bx Velocity Stent

N=100

Cypher SES

N=100

Primary Endpoint: In-segment angiographic binary restenosis at 6 months

Antiplatelet Therapy: ASA/ Clopidogrel 6 months

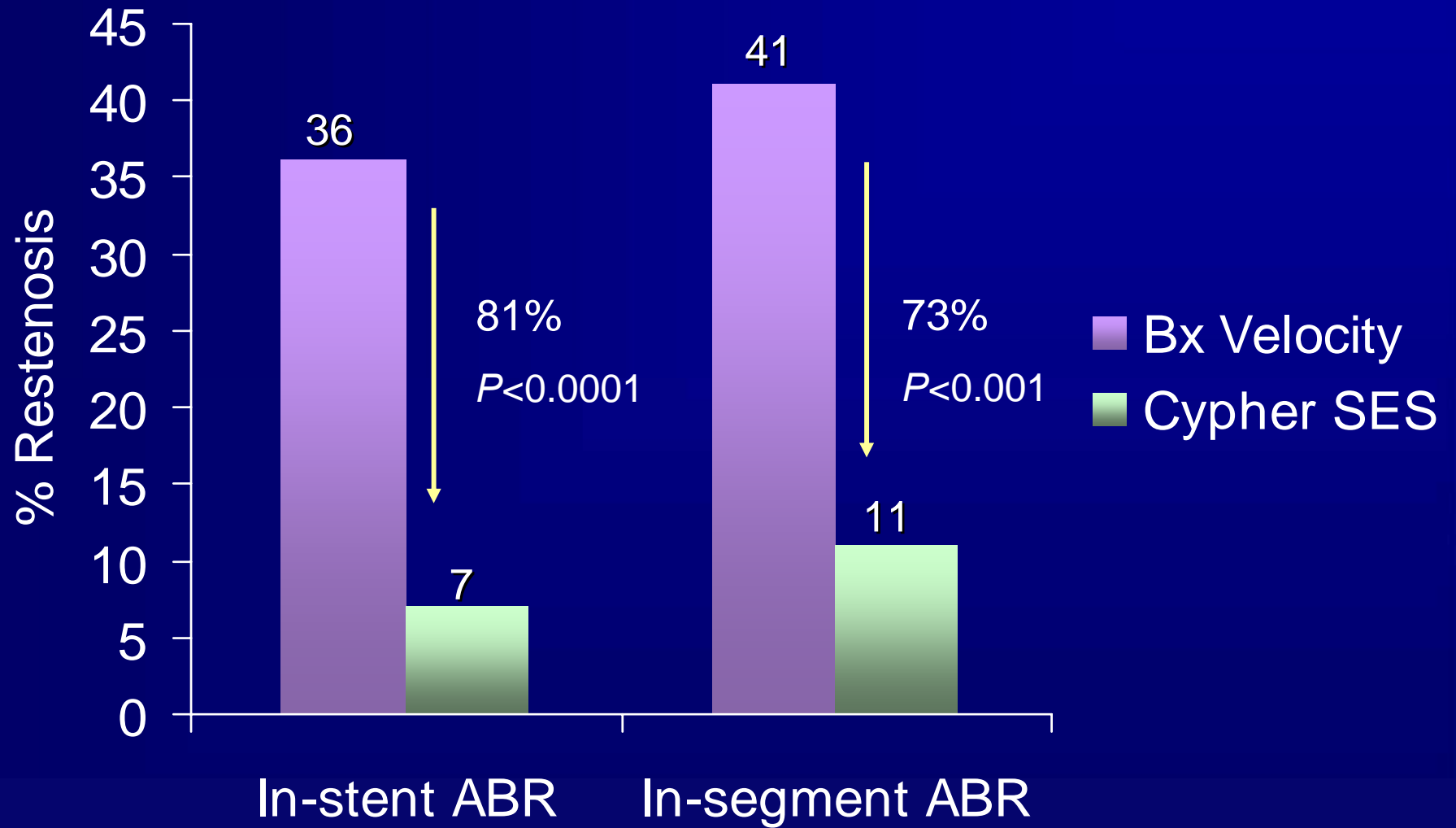


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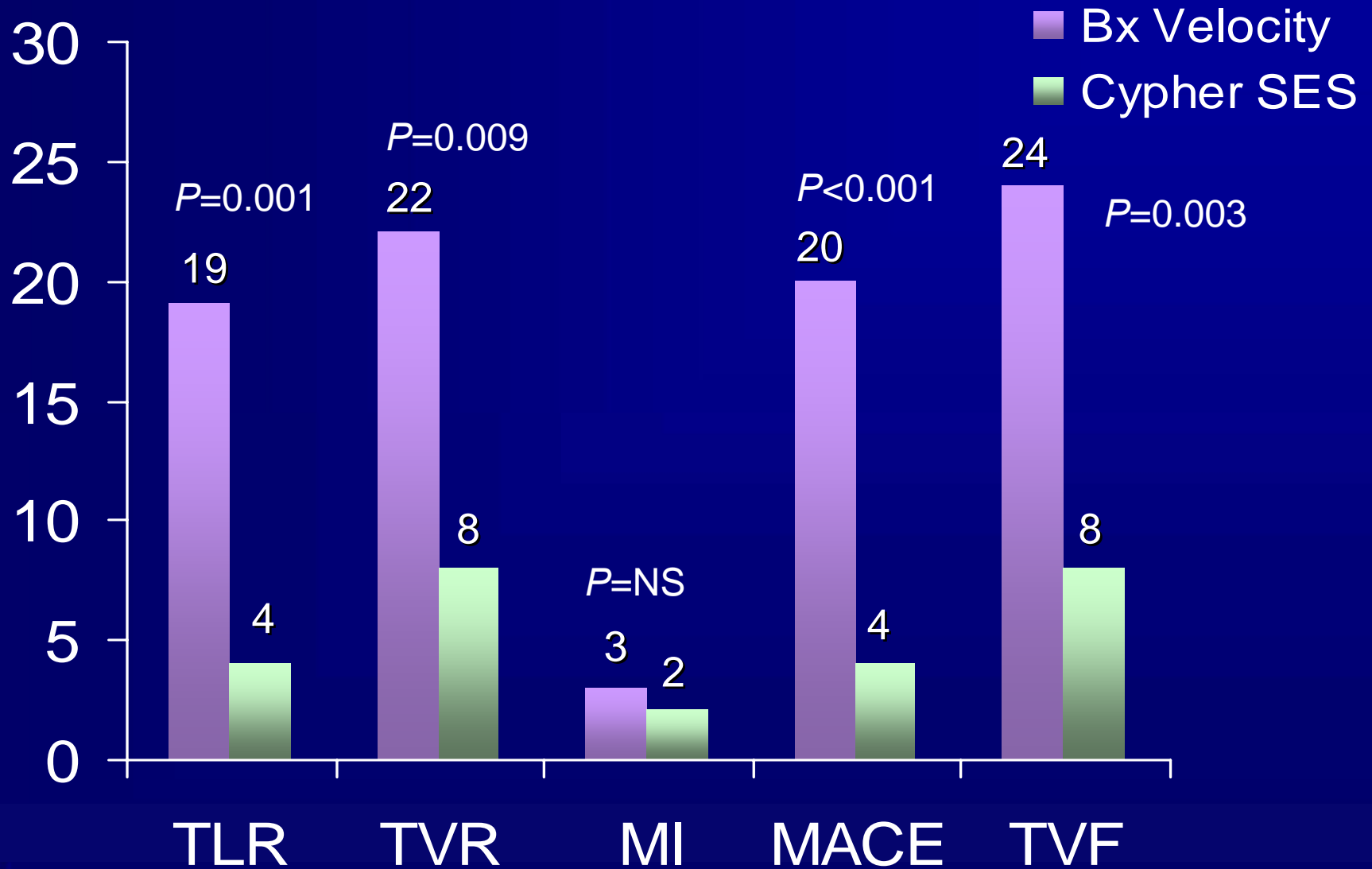
	Bx Velocity N=100	Cypher SES N=100
Diabetes mellitus (%)	16	10
LVEF>50% (%)	82	76
CTO> 3 mos (%)	44	46
TIMI 0 (%)	64	69
Lesion length (mm)	16.3	16.0
Stent length (mm)	28.9	31.9
Stent/patient	1.4	1.4



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Procedural and Angiographic Outcomes

DES in CTO Revascularization

RESEARCH and T-SEARCH Registries

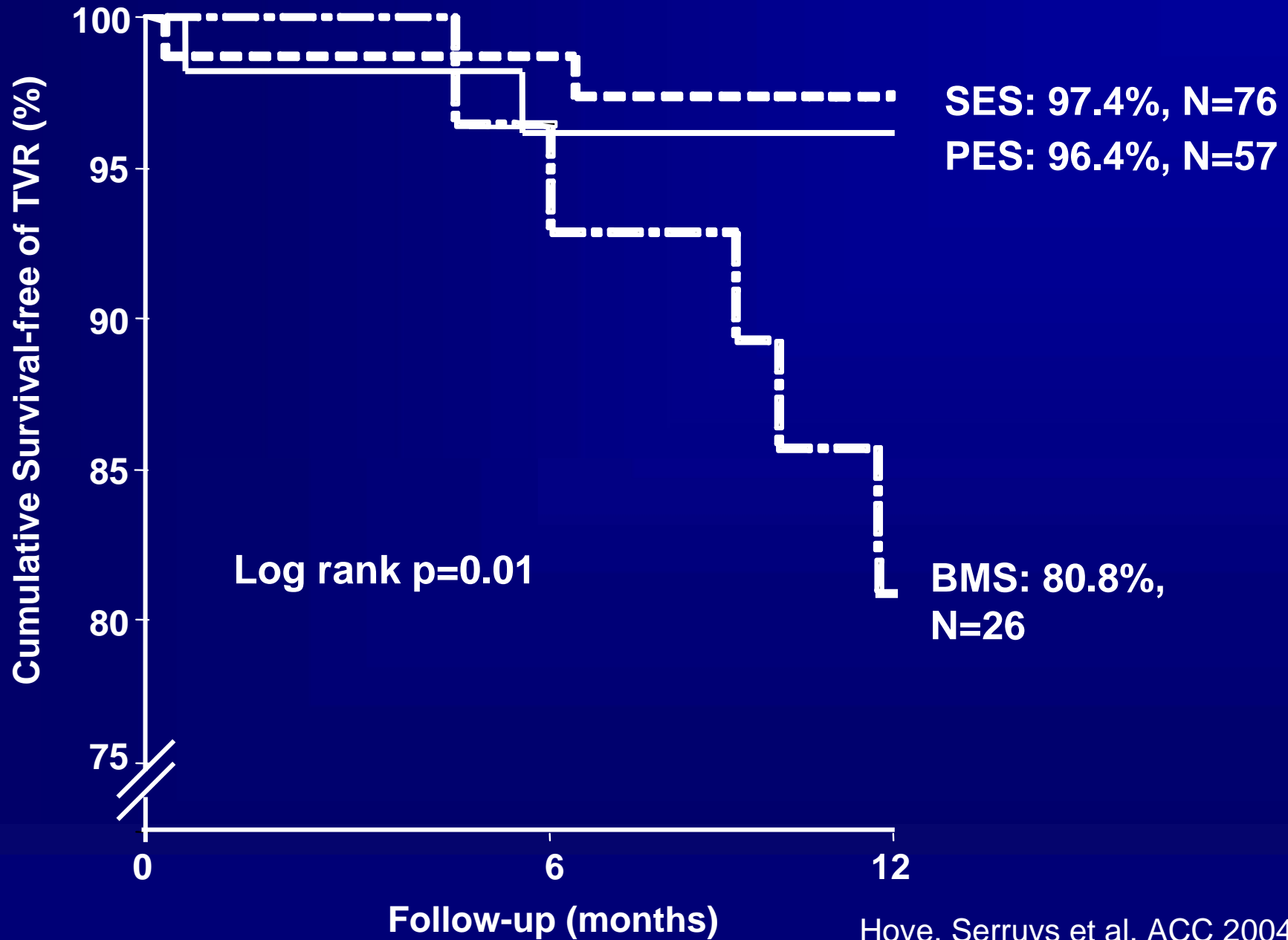
	Bare Metal	Sirolimus	Paclitaxel
	N=26	N=76	N=58
Occlusion length	13.0 ± 7.2	10.3 ± 5.9	11.2 ± 6.6
Reference diameter*	2.34 ± 0.43	2.35 ± 0.51	2.60 ± 0.49
Number of stents*	1.8 ± 0.8	2.2 ± 1.2	2.6 ± 1.3
Total stent length*	41.5 ± 23.3	48.8 ± 27.4	58.0 ± 32.8



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* $P < 0.05$; Hoyer, Serruys et al. ACC 2004

RESEARCH and T-SEARCH Registries



Approaches to ChRonic Occlusions With Sirolimus Stents ACROSS-Cypher™/Total Occlusion Study of Coronary Arteries (TOSCA 4)



250 patients with *de novo* total
coronary occlusions
17 sites within North America
Single-arm trial design

Clinical Follow-up

30 d

6 mo

12 mo

2 yr

3 yr

4 yr

5 yr

Angiographic Follow-up

Primary Endpoints: Angiographic restenosis at 6 months compared with TOSCA-1

Secondary Endpoints: Angiographic in-segment restenosis at 6 months; TVF, MACE and TLR at 6 and 12 months; late loss at 6 months

Stent Sizes: Cordis Cypher™ 2.5-3.5 mm x 8-33 mm

Pre- and post-dilatation specified with balloon length < stent length

Antiplatelet therapy for ≥ 3 months



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Innovation in CTO Revascularization

An Evolution in Technology and Strategy

Guidewire

Tapered tip: **CROSS IT, Confianza, Miracle**
Steerable guidewire (Steer-It)/ catheter (Venture)
Optical coherence reflectometry (ILT)
Penetration (Tornus)
Vibrational angioplasty
Magnetic Navigation (Stereotaxis)

Ablative

Excimer laser (Spectranetics)
Ultrasound (Flowcardia)
Radiofrequency ablation (ILT)

Mechanical

Blunt microdissection (Lumend)
Fibrinolysis
Demineralization, collagenase

Re-Entry

Percutaneous bypass
Subintimal angioplasty

Post-Crossing

Drug eluting stents
Distal protection

ACROSS Pilot

Predictors of Procedural Outcome, n=103

Characteristic	Failed	Successful	P value	
Multiple wires*				
>1 wire	36% vs. 5%		<0.001	↑ Technical
>2 wires	53% vs. 12%		<0.001	
Fluoro time, min	28 vs. 21		0.04	
TIMI 0	24% vs. 7%		0.054	
Support catheter	29% vs. 14%		0.07	
Collaterals	23% vs. 10%		0.12	
Female	29% vs. 16%		0.17	
Length >15mm	19% vs. 10%		0.24	↓ Clinical/ Angiographic
Ref <3mm	29% vs. 17%		0.23	
Multivessel dz	23% vs. 15%		0.30	

*p<0.05 in multivariable analysis

Kandzari, Menown et al. TCT2003

Theoretical Rationale for CTO Revascularization

- Increase long-term survival
- Improve left ventricular function
- Electrical stability of myocardium and reduced predisposition to arrhythmic events
- Increased tolerance of future coronary occlusion events



Long-term Survival with Successful CTO Revascularization

Support for the Late Open Artery Hypothesis

Trial	Success (N)	Failure (N)	Follow-up Duration (years)	Mortality (%)		
				Success	Failure	<i>P</i> value
British Columbia Cardiac Registry ¹	1118	340	6	10.0	19.0	<0.001
Suero et al. ²	1491	514	10	26.0	35.0	0.001
TOAST-GISE ³	286	83	1	1.1	3.6	0.13
Aziz et al. ⁴	377	166	2.4	2.5	7.3	0.049
Hoye et al. ⁵	568	306	5	6.5	12.0	0.02

¹Ramanathan. TCT2003; ²Suero. JACC 2001; ³Olivari. JACC 2003; ⁴Aziz. TCT2005; ⁵Hoye Eur Heart J 2005

Long-term Outcome after Intended Recanalization of Non-acute Coronary Occlusions

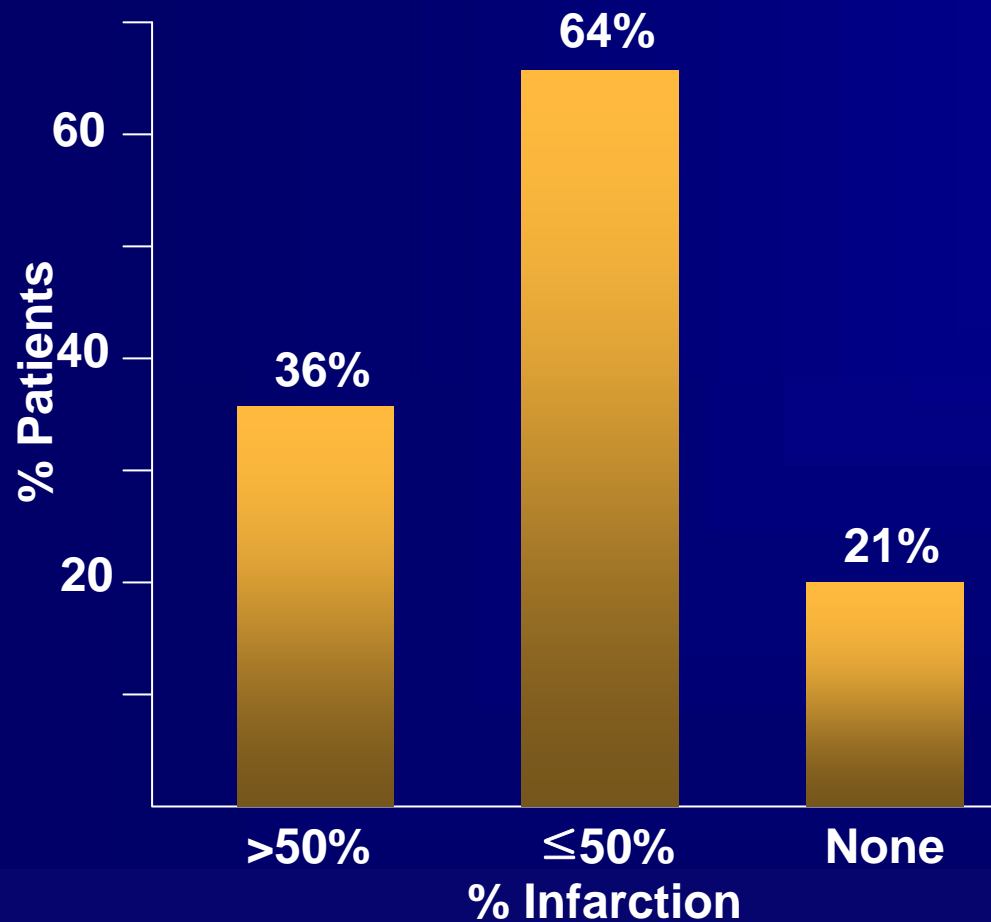


Multivariate Mortality Model

	Hazard Ratio	95% Confidence	P value
<i>Failure</i>	2.27	1.56 – 3.30	<0.0001
<i>Age (per decade)</i>	1.33	1.12 – 1.58	0.001
<i>EF <50</i>	2.33	1.58 – 3.43	<0.0001
<i>Multivessel CAD</i>	1.62	1.09 – 2.40	0.02
<i>Prior CHF</i>	1.73	1.10 – 2.76	0.02
<i>ESRD</i>	2.77	1.36 – 5.66	0.005
<i>CVD</i>	1.92	1.04 – 3.55	0.04
<i>COPD</i>	1.64	1.01 – 2.67	0.05
<i>Diabetes</i>	1.50	0.99 – 2.27	0.055

Myocardial Viability, Collateral Flow, and Regional Wall Motion

Cardiac MR Imaging



44 pts, 58 CTO segments

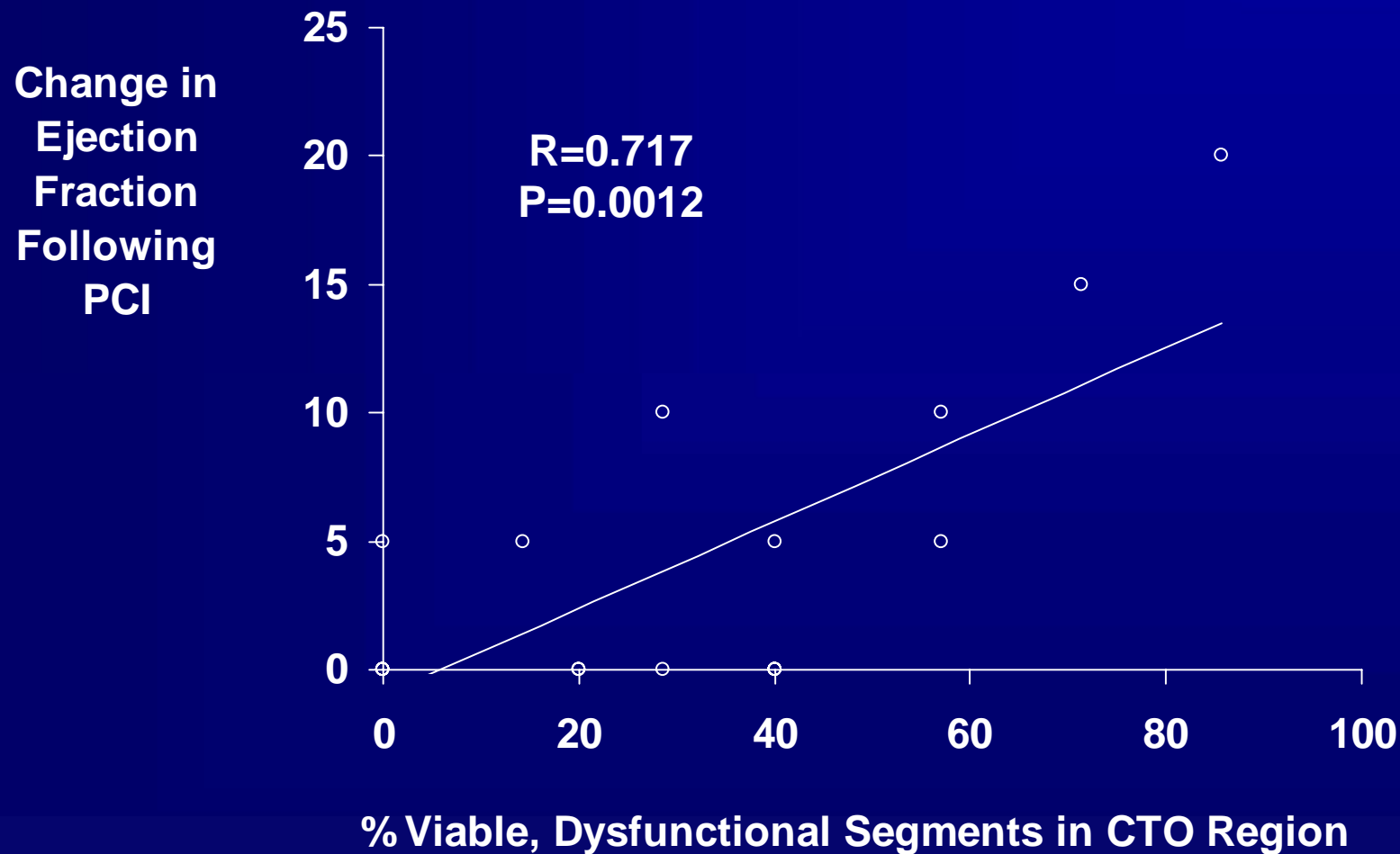
Collateral flow *did not* predict:

1. Myocardial viability
2. Regional improvement following revascularization

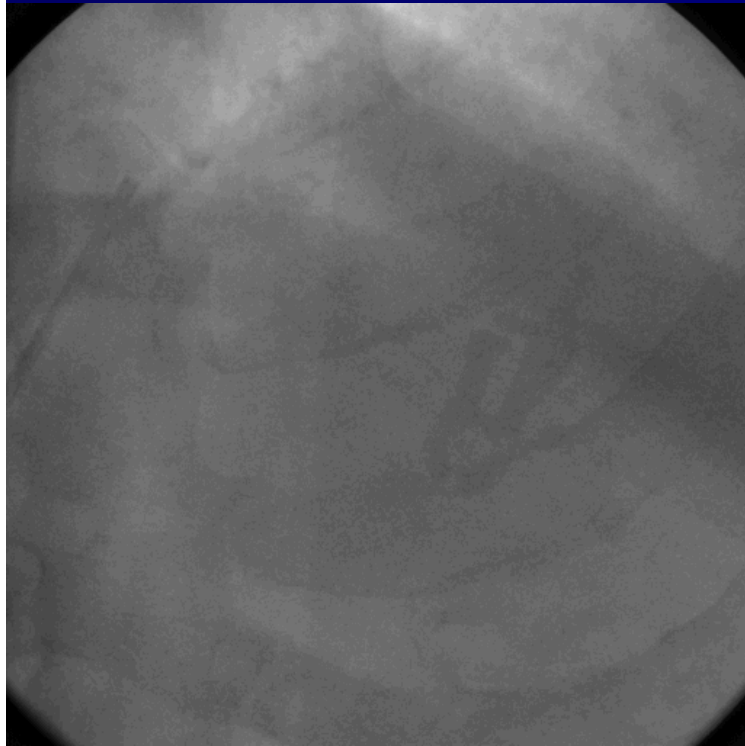


Cardiac MR Imaging in CTO Revascularization

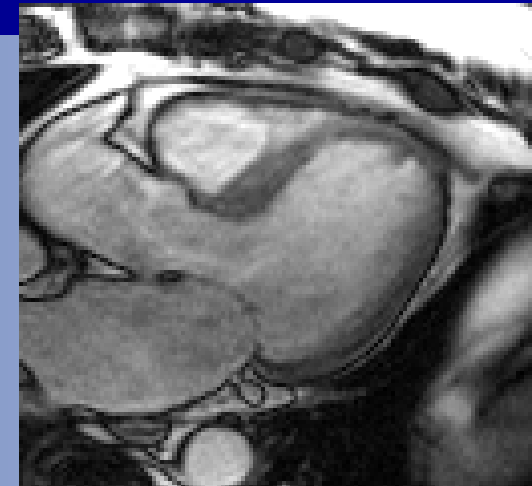
Influence of Revascularization on Wall Motion and LVEF



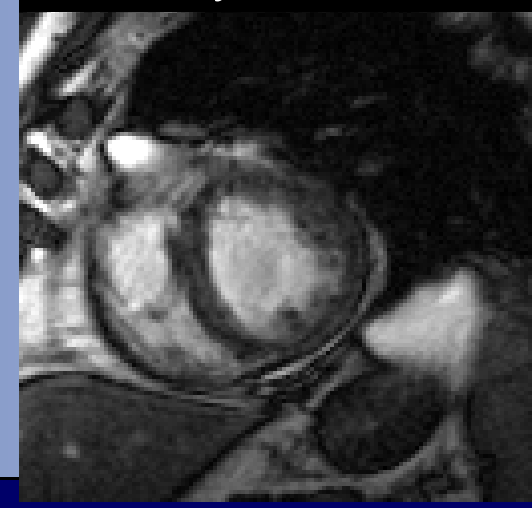
MR Imaging of Myocardial Viability and Performance in CTO Revascularization



<50% infarction

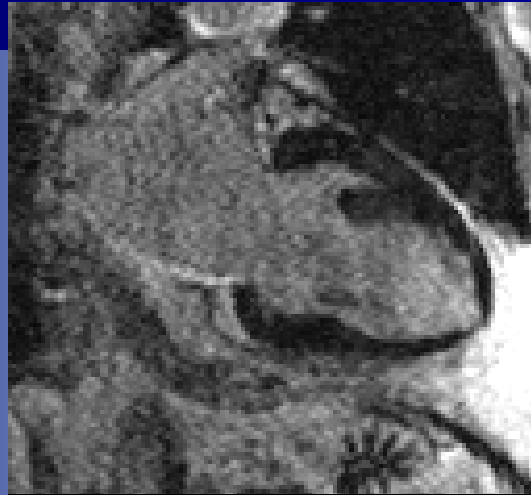
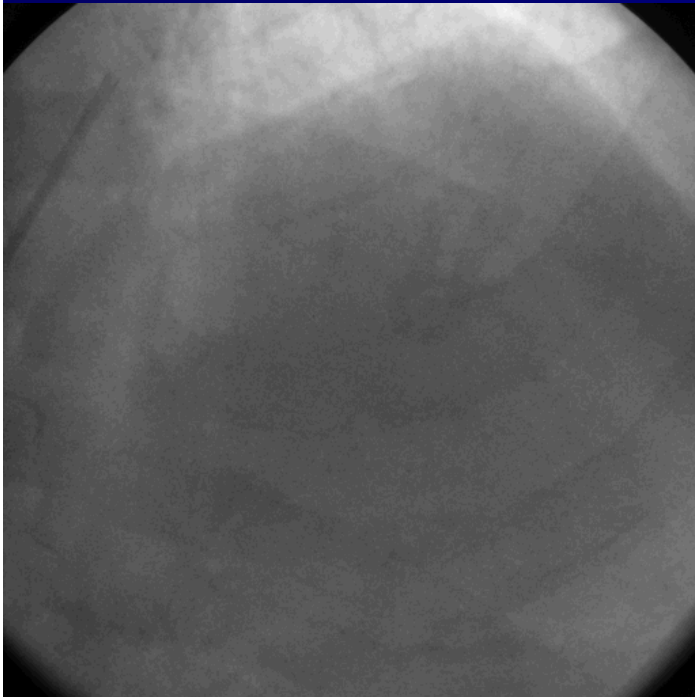


LV dysfunction

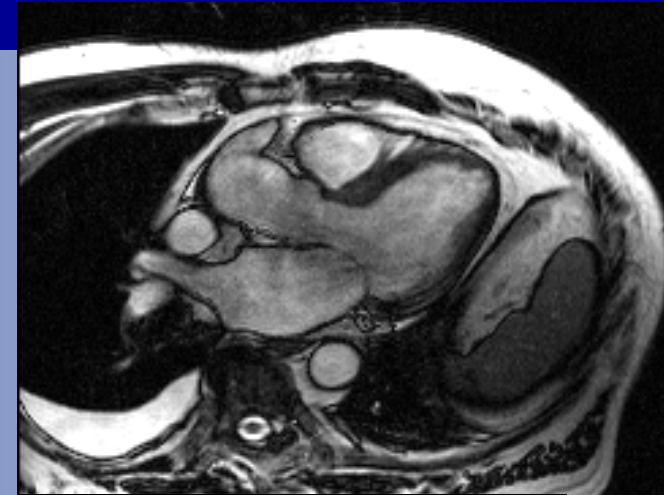


CTO Revascularization: Myocardial Performance

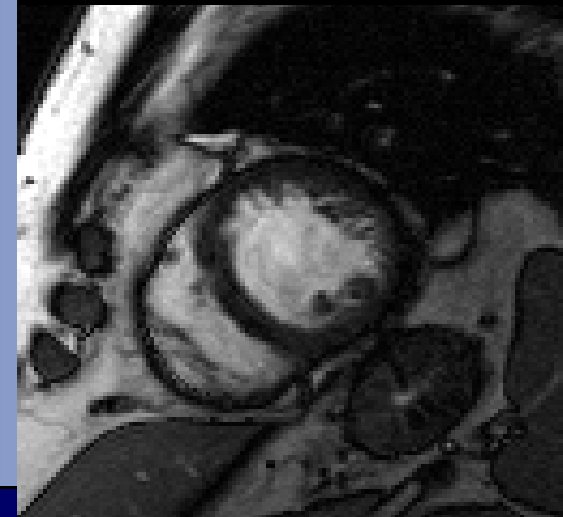
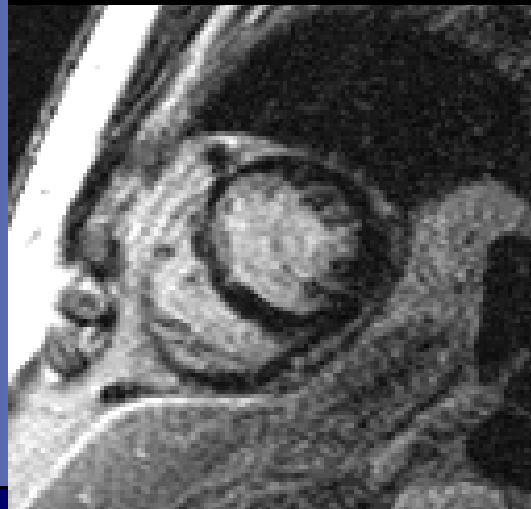
MR Imaging to Identify Revascularization Candidates



1 year post PCI

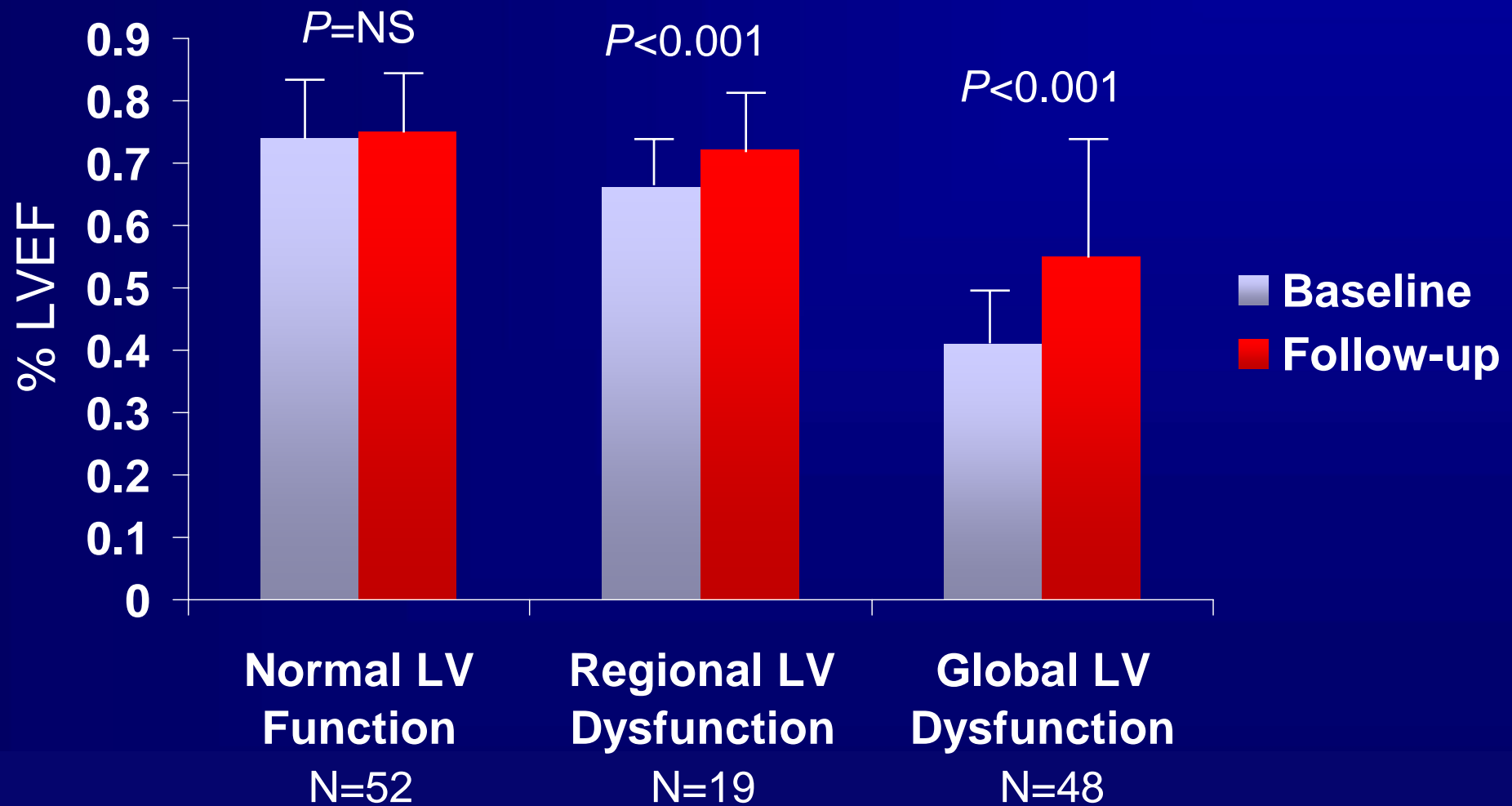


Normal wall motion



Recovery of LV Function After CTO Recanalization

Most Improvement with Baseline LV Dysfunction



Recovery of LV Function After CTO Recanalization

Predictors of Improvement in LV Function

Positive

- **Baseline LV dysfunction**
- **Preserved microvasculature**

No Effect

- **Collateral development**
- **Prior MI**
- **Duration of occlusion**
- **Nonocclusive restenosis**

Negative

- **Reocclusion**



Evidence-based Rationale for CTO Revascularization

Summary

- The ‘Last Great Barrier to PCI Success’— most frequently encountered yet least treated lesion subset
- Development of novel technologies and technique implies higher success, reappraisal of predictors of failure, but still sparse evidence to support efficacy and indications
- Pathophysiologic rationale to support late open artery hypothesis



Evidence-based Rationale for CTO Revascularization Summary (Continued)

- Several trials with DES in CTO revascularization have demonstrated significant reductions in ABR and TLR
 - Several indirect comparisons with BMS historical controls
 - 1 RCT of DES vs. BMS
 -'Class Ib' recommendation
- Aside from ↓ ABR, long term patency with DES may be associated with preservation of improved LV function
- Duration of dual antiplatelet therapy uncertain
 - Restenotic occlusions offset by thrombotic reocclusions with extensive stenting?



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