

In-Stent Neointimal Hyperplasia as a Mechanism of Stent Failure

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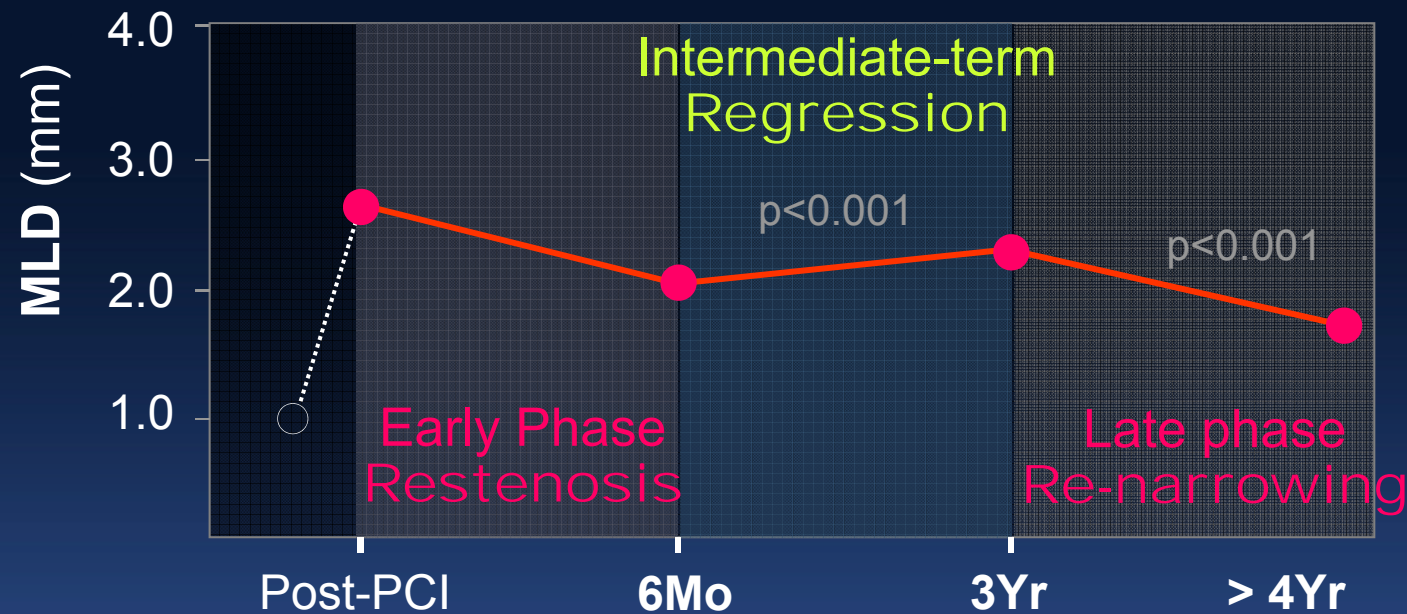
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Evolving Neointima after BMS Implantation

Histologic and Angioscopic Evidences

Tri-phasic Luminal Response Extended Follow-up Study 7-10 years



Traditionally, intimal hyperplasia has been believed to be stable with an early peak and a late quiescent period

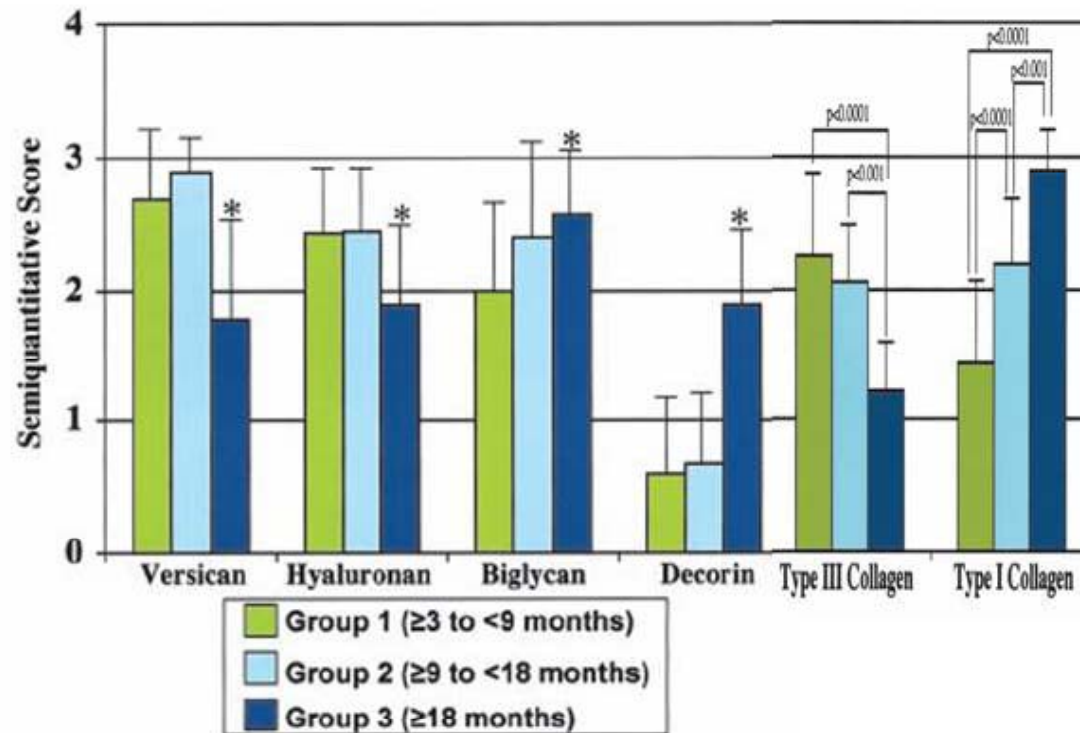
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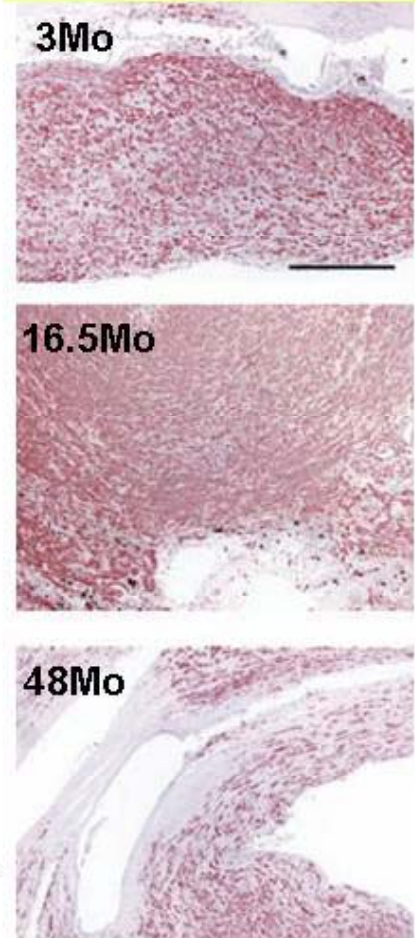
MLD (mm)



Extracellular Matrix Changes in In-Stent Neointima



α -Actin (+) SMC



ECM modulates developing neointima with SMC proliferation, migration, growth factor expression, and remodeling

Pathologic mechanism

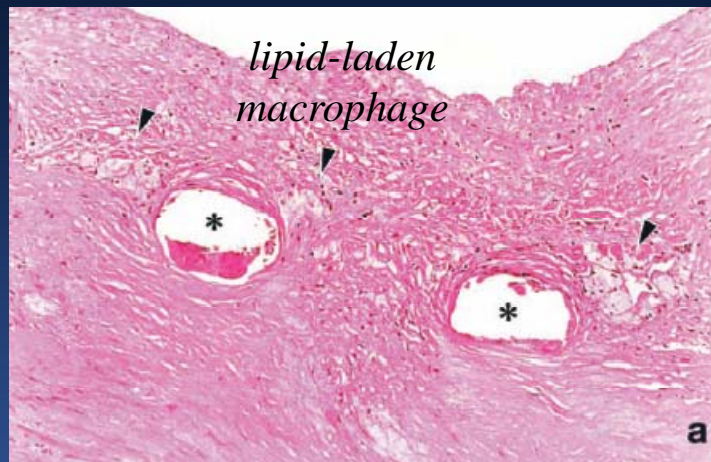
Proteoglycan-rich SMC proliferation

- * Proteoglycan ↓
- * Cellularity ↓
- * Neointimal thinning

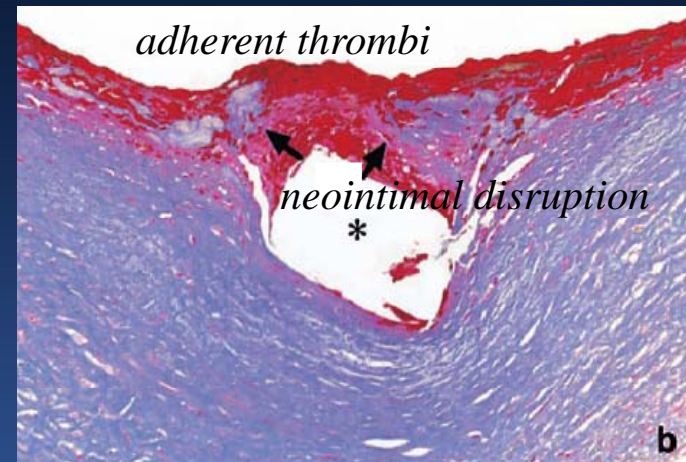
de-novo neoatherosclerosis

Pathologic Definition of "Neoatherosclerosis"

Peri-strut **foamy macrophage clusters** with or without calcification, fibroatheroma, and ruptures with thrombosis in in-stent neointima



5-year f/u of Palmaz-Schatz



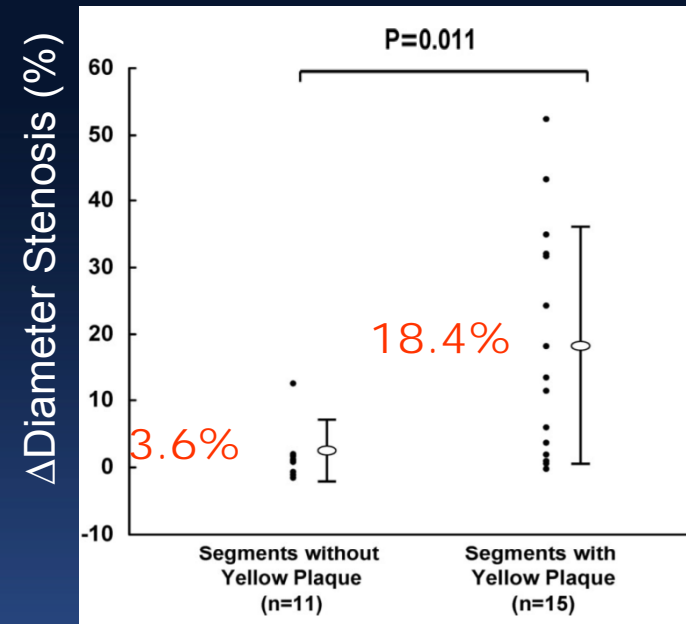
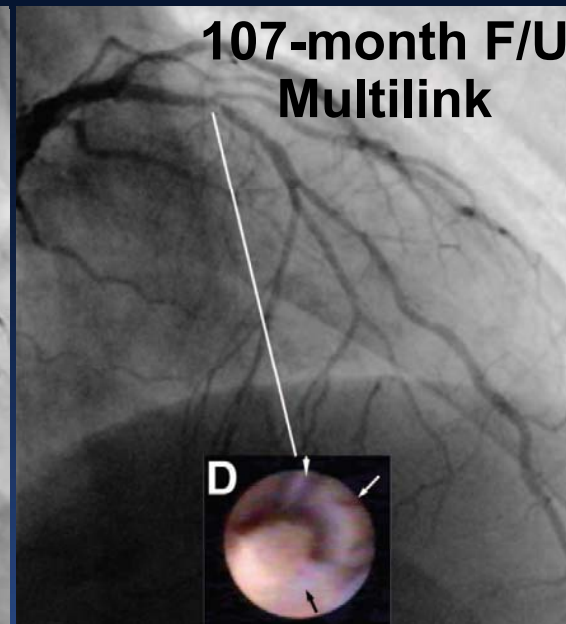
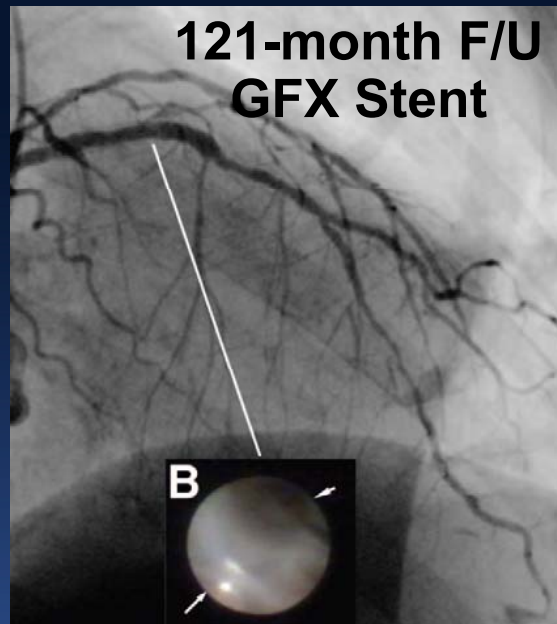
3-year f/u of Palmaz-Schatz

Hasegawa et al. *Cathe and Cardiovasc Interv* 2006;68:554-8

Inoue et al. *Cardiovascular Pathology* 2004;14:109-15

Atherosclerotic Transformation after BMS Implantation

Serial Angioscopic Observation at Extended Follow-Up



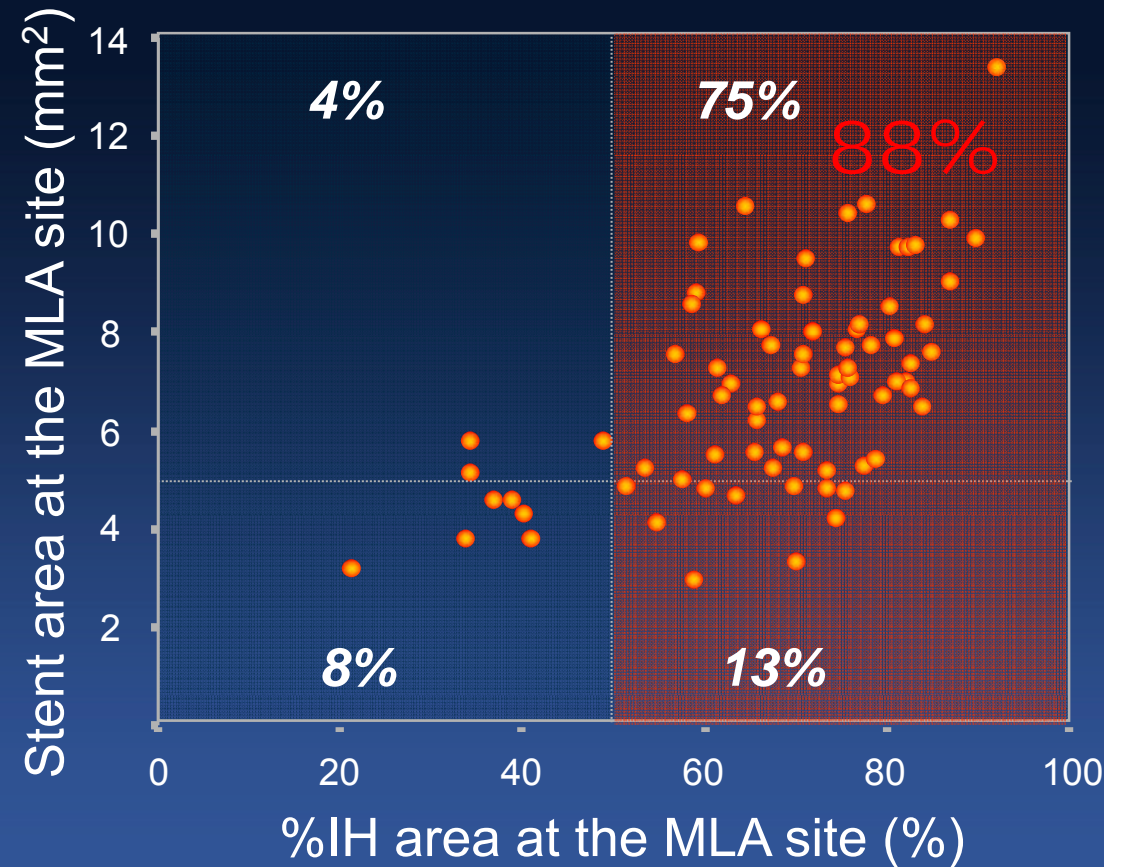
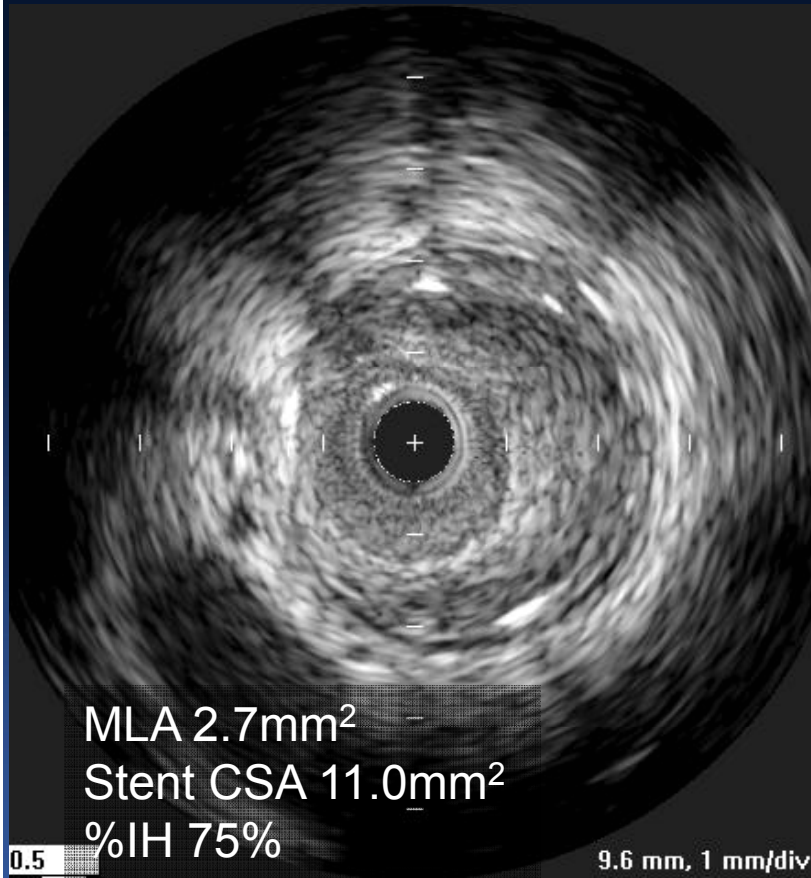
Atherosclerotic degeneration represented as yellow plaque contributed to the late luminal narrowing as well as rupture with thrombotic events

Intimal Hyperplasia after DES Implantation

Histologic and Angioscopic Evidences

Dominant IH

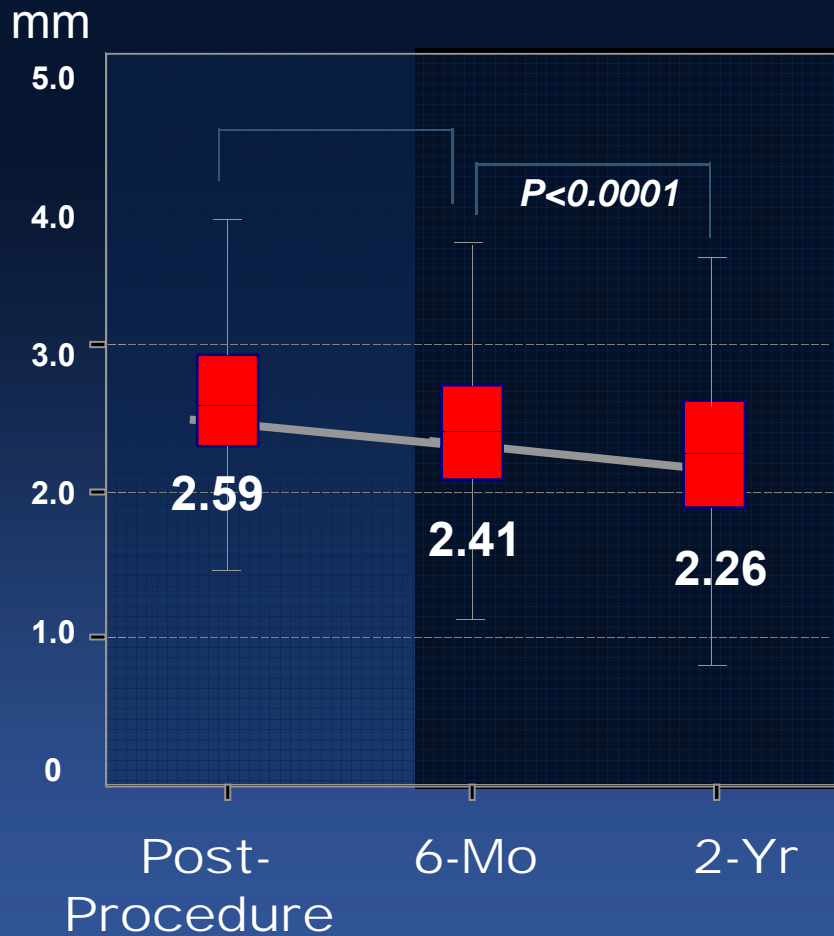
As a General Mechanism of DES-ISR



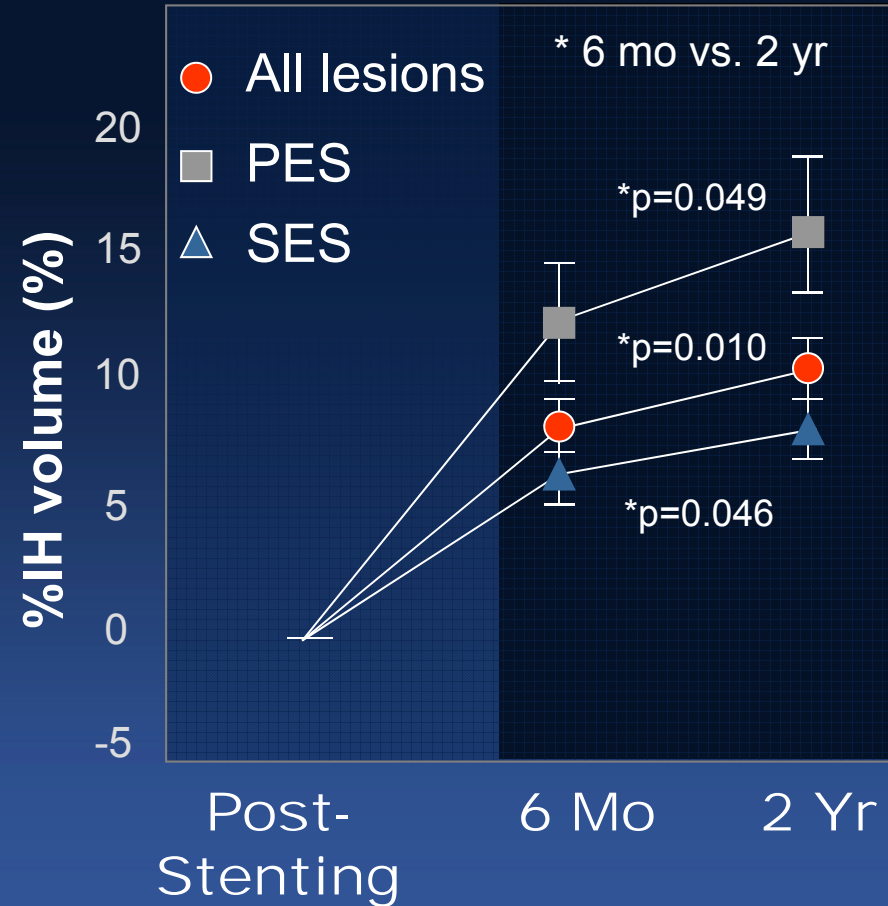
Kang et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv 2011;4:9-14

"Late Catch-up" in DES

Serial F/U of MLD



Serial F/U %IH Volume



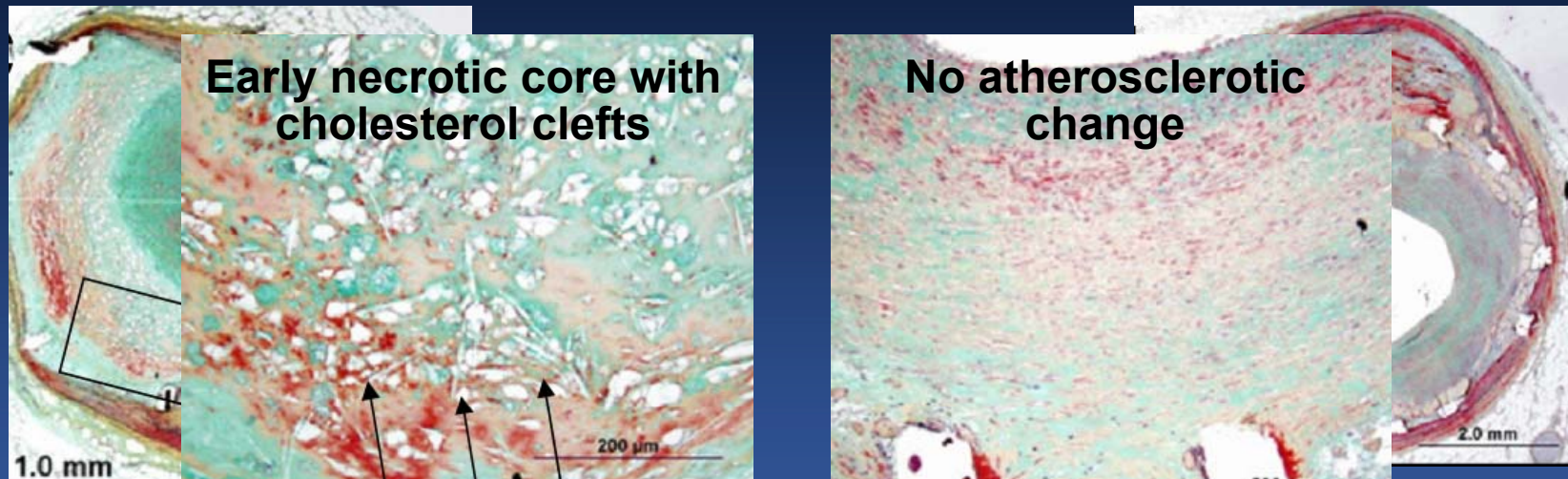
Park et al. *Int J Cardiol.* 2010 Sep in press

Kang et al. *Am J Cardiol* 2010;105:1402-8

Early Histopathologic Findings within 1 year between BMS- vs. DES-ISR

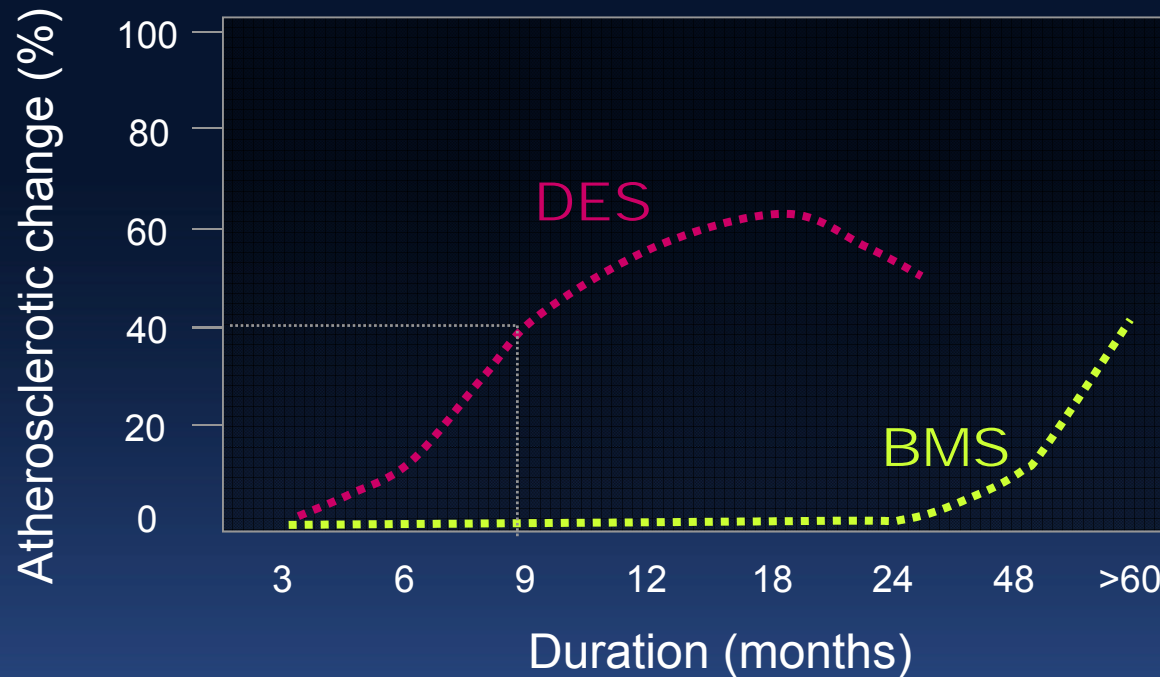
Restenotic neointima was composed of proteoglycan-rich SMC with different phenotypes and fibrolipid

Chieffo et al. Am J Cardiol 2009;104:1660-7



Neoatherosclerosis was more frequent in DES-lesions
(DES 35% vs. BMS 10%) and occurs earlier

Different Timing of Neoatherosclerosis BMS vs. DES



In addition, the earliest necrotic core formation in DES was observed at 9 months, which was earlier than BMS lesions developed at 5 years

Nakazawa et al. JACC Cardiovasc Imaging 2009;2:625-8

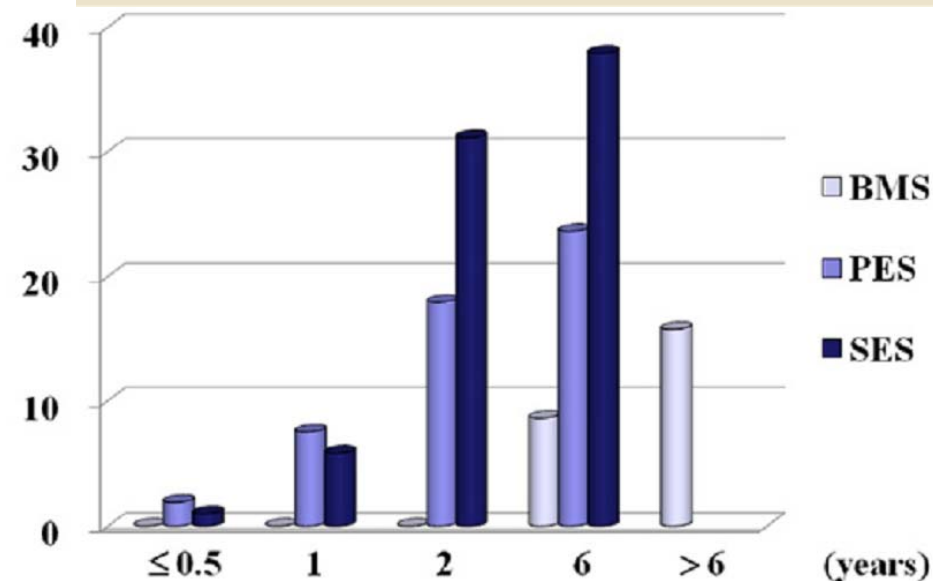
EXPEDITED PUBLICATIONS

The Pathology of Neoatherosclerosis in Human Coronary Implants

Bare-Metal and Drug-Eluting Stents

Gaku Nakazawa, MD,* Fumiyuki Otsuka, MD,* Masataka Nakano, MD,* Marc Vorpahl, MD,*
 Saami K. Yazdani, PHD,* Elena Ladich, MD,* Frank D. Kolodgie, PHD,* Alope V. Finn, MD,†
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Cumulative Incidence of Atherosclerotic Change With Time After Implantation of BMS Versus SES and PES



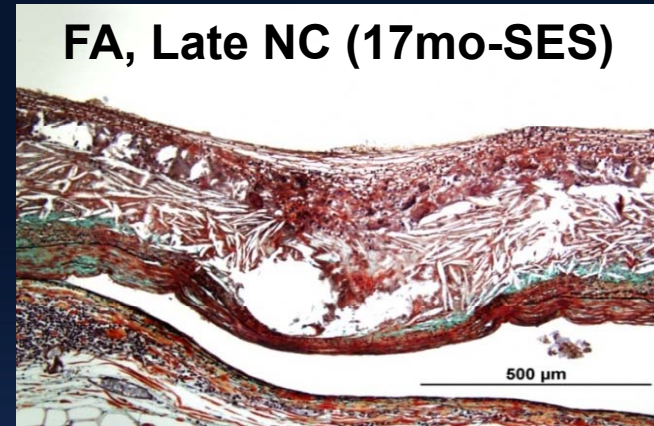
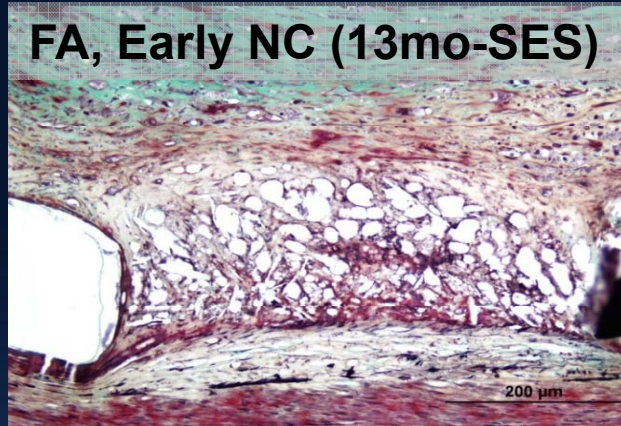
Neoatherosclerosis

	DES	BMS
Incidence	31%	16%
Median F/U time point	14 Mo	72 Mo

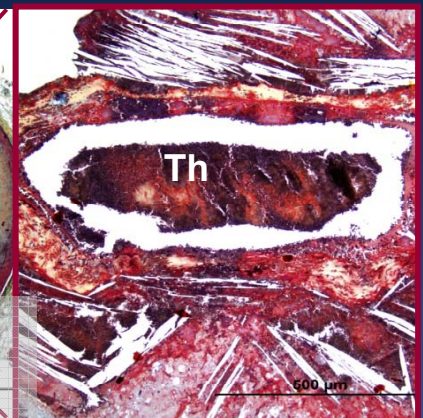
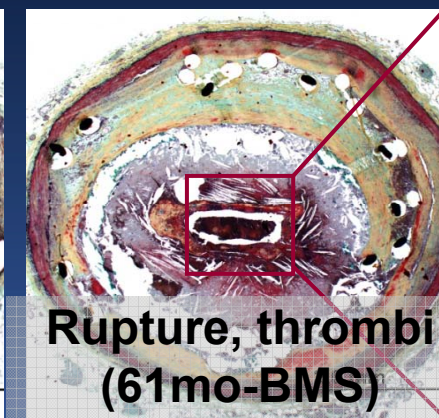
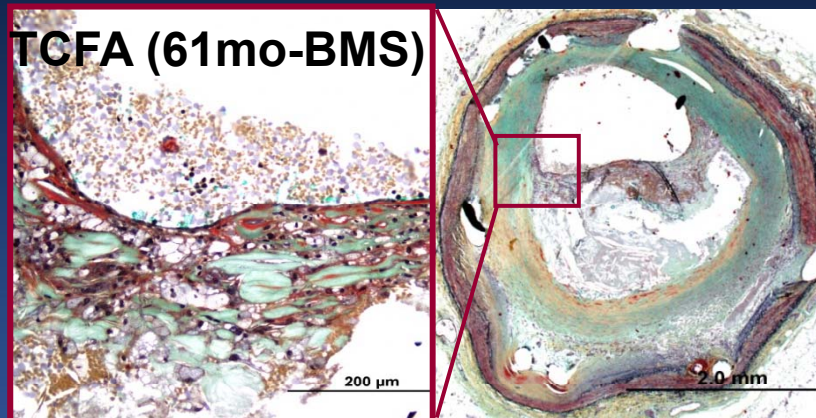
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Various Stages of Neoatherosclerosis

DES



BMS



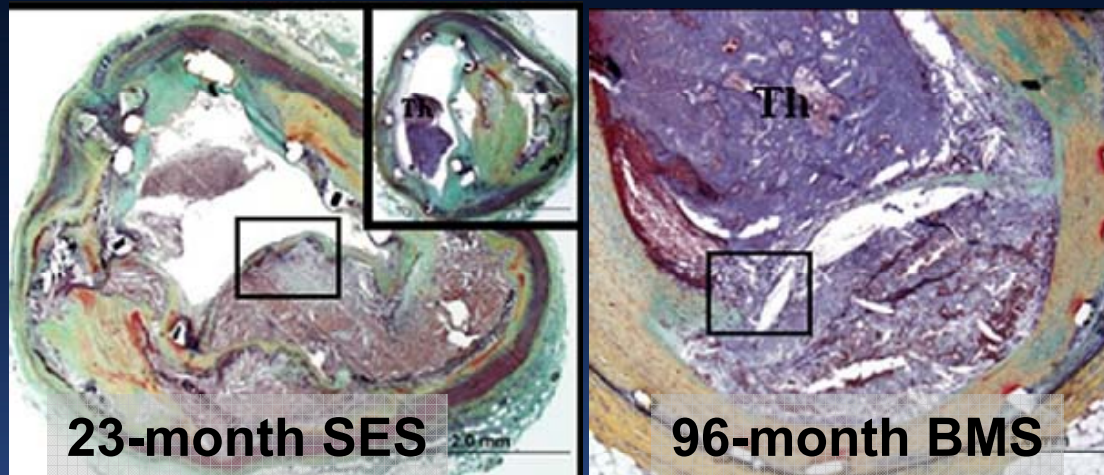
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Independent Risk Factors for Neointimal Hyperplasia

	OR	95% CI	p
Age, /year	0.963	0.942-0.983	<0.001
Stent duration (/month)	1.028	1.017-1.041	<0.001
SES usage	6.534	3.387-12.591	<0.001
PES usage	3.200	1.584-6.469	0.001
Underlying unstable lesion (rupture, TCFA)	2.387	1.326-4.302	0.004

Nakazawa et al. JACC 2011;57:1314-22

More Advanced Neointimal TCFA-Containing Neointima Intimal rupture Thrombosis



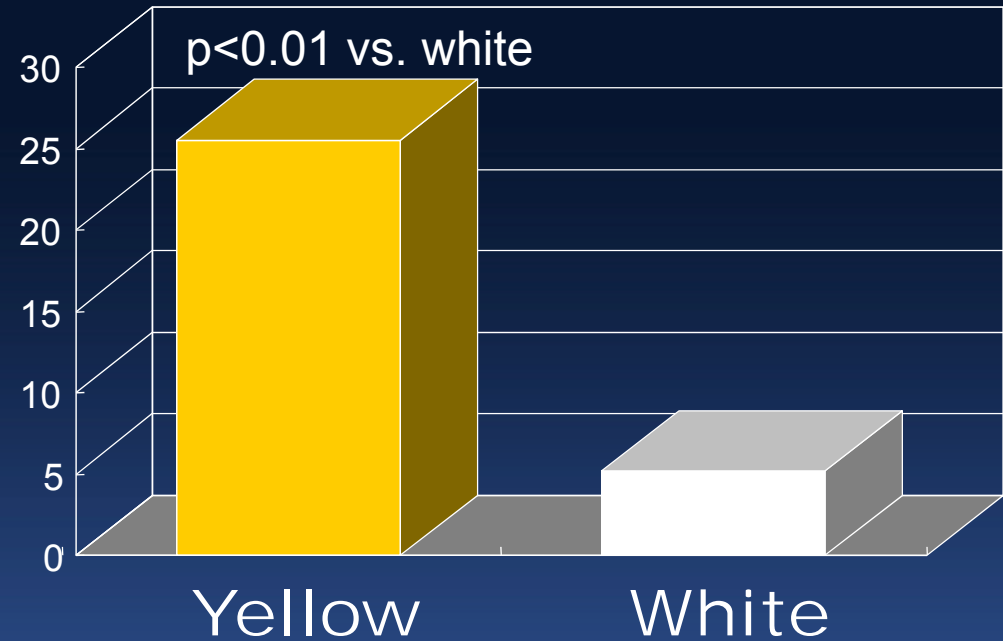
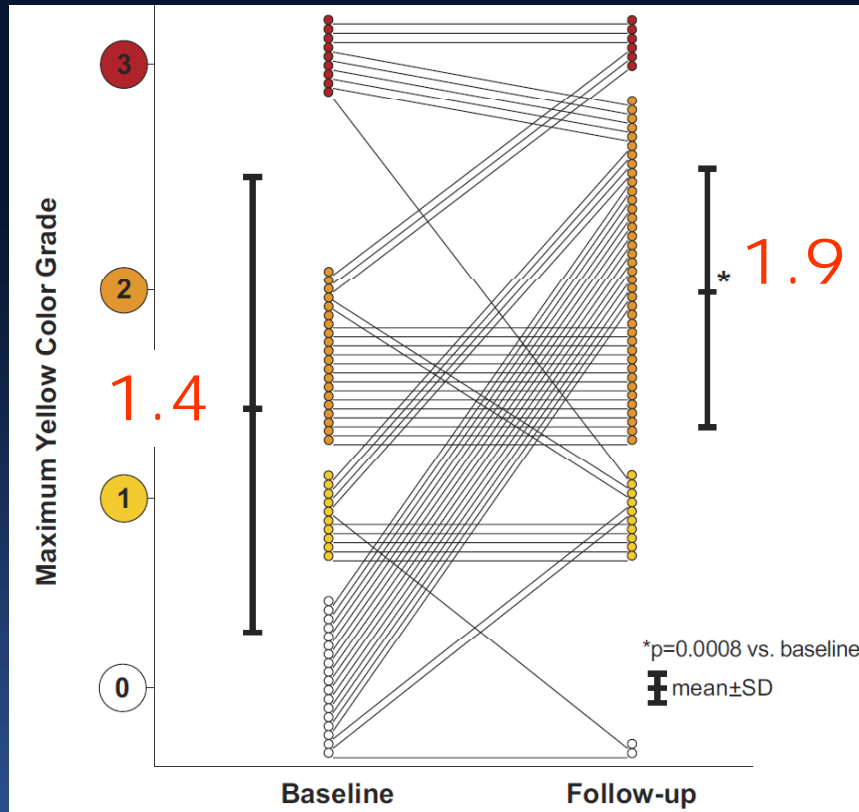
“Unstable Neointima”
>5 years in BMS
≤2 years in DES

Although uncovered struts remains the primary cause of DES-VLST, neointimal rupture may be added as another risk factor

Angioscopic DES Follow-Up at 10 Months

Yellow Grade Changes

Prevalence of Thrombi



The development of atherosclerotic **yellow** plaques may be a possible substrate for **late stent thrombosis**

Neoatherosclerosis

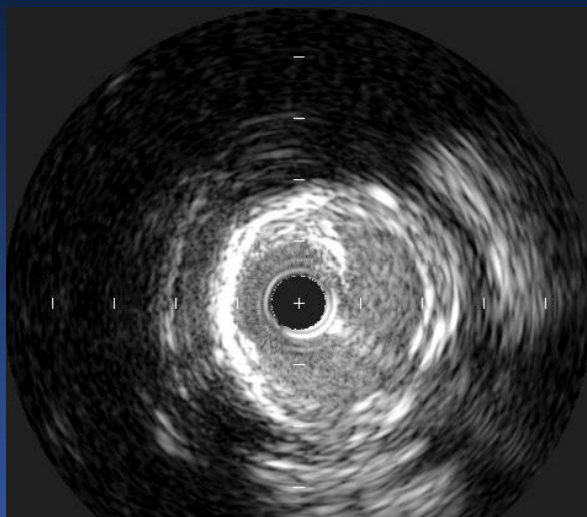
Contributing Mechanism of Stent Failure

Broad Spectrum of Clinical Presentations

*from In-Stent Restenosis
to Very Late Stent Thrombosis*

Intravascular Ultrasound Findings in Patients With Very Late Stent Thrombosis After Either Drug-Eluting or Bare-Metal Stent Implantation

30 AMI with VLST (Mean F/U **33 Mo** in DES, **108 Mo** in BMS)

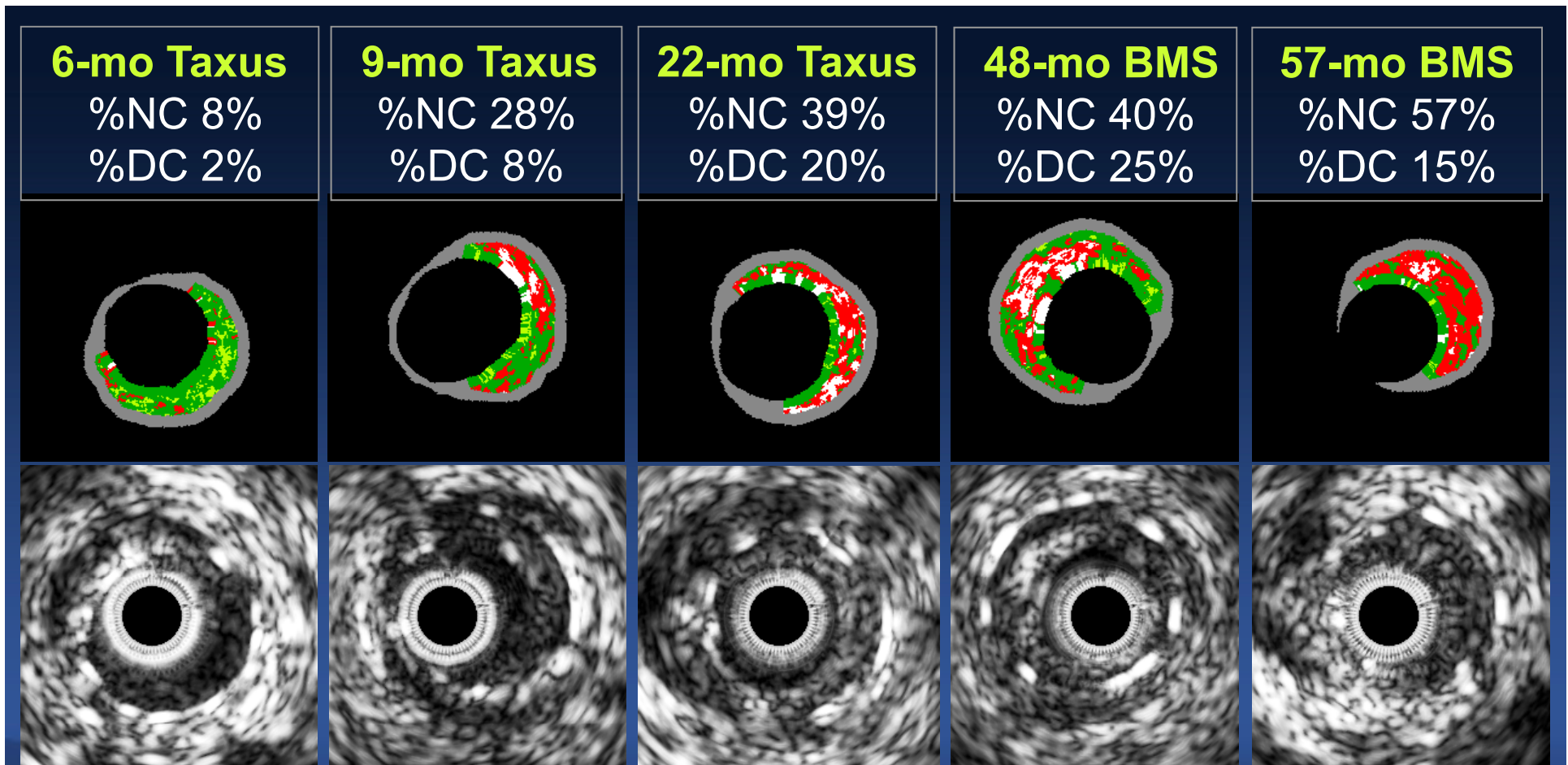


	DES (n=23)	BMS (n=7)
Mean EEM CSA, mm ²	19.5±6.0	18.3±4.1
Mean Lumen CSA, mm ²	4.2±1.4	4.7±4.6
Mean Neointima, mm ²	3.0±1.1	5.0±1.7*
Minimal stent CSA, mm ²	6.1±1.5	7.4±3.7
Neointima rupture	10 (44%)	7 (100%)*

Neoatheroclerosis may contribute to the development of VLST as a common mechanism in BMS and DES

Tissue Characterization of In-Stent Neointima Using Intravascular Ultrasound Radiofrequency Data Analysis

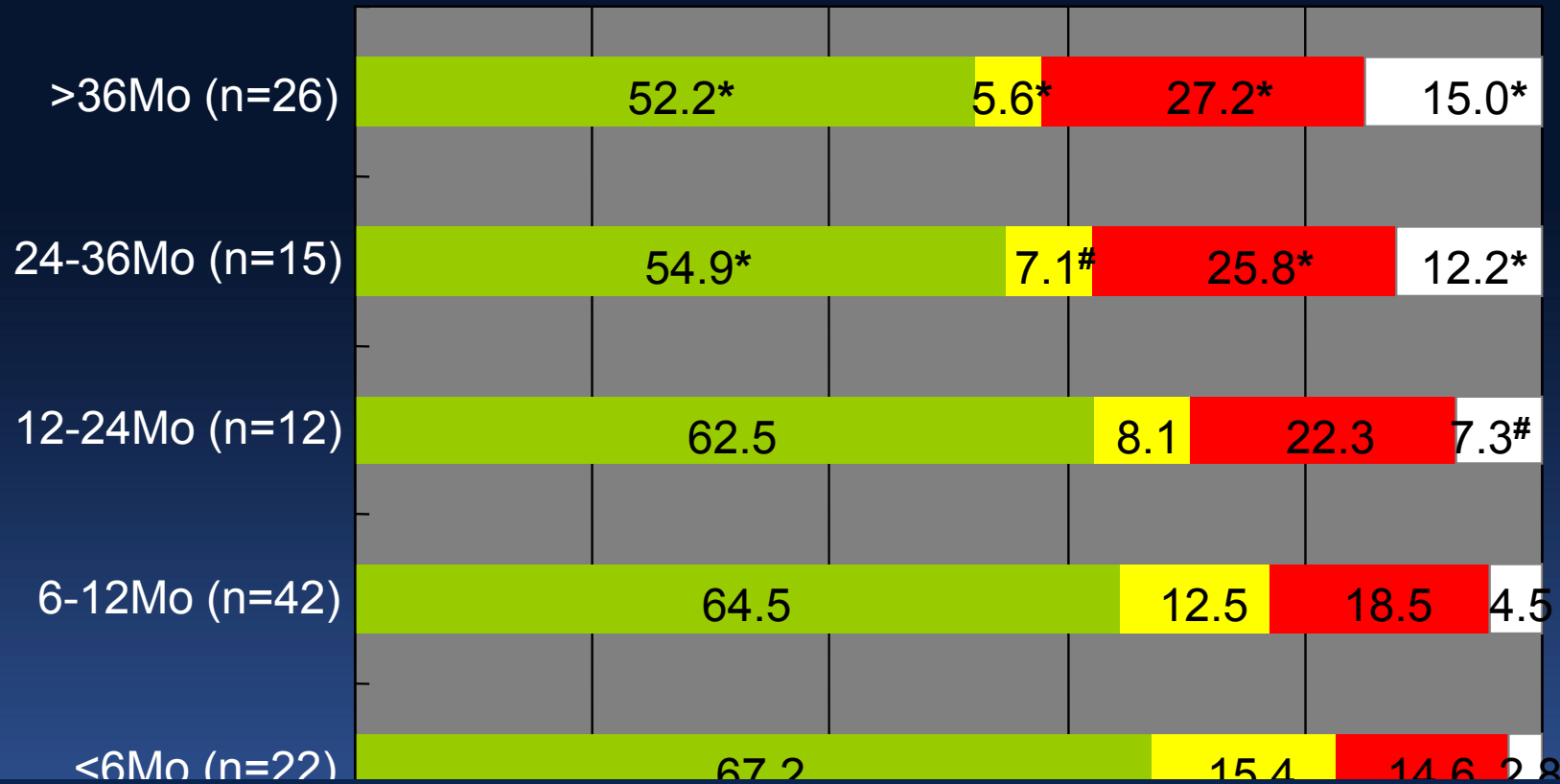
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Young-Hak Kim, MD^a, Cheol Whan Lee, MD^a, Ki-Hoon Han, MD^a, Jae-Joong Kim, MD^a,
Seong-Wook Park, MD^a, and Seung-Jung Park, MD^{a,*}



At the Maximal %IH Site

Kang SJ et al. AJC 2010 ;106:1561-5

Neointimal Composition at Various FU Time 117 ISR Lesions (BMS and DES) with %IH>50%



Neoatherosclerosis degeneration increases intimal vulnerability with extended follow-up period

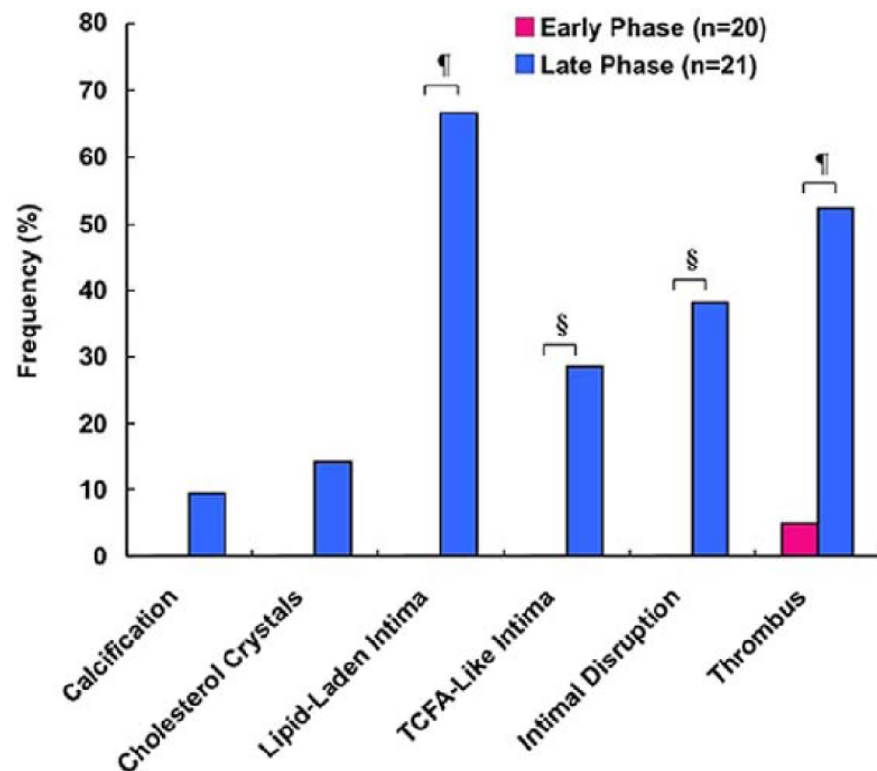
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CLINICAL RESEARCH

Interventional Cardiology

Appearance of Lipid-Laden Intima and Neovascularization After Implantation of Bare-Metal Stents

Extended Late-Phase Observation
by Intracoronary Optical Coherence Tomography

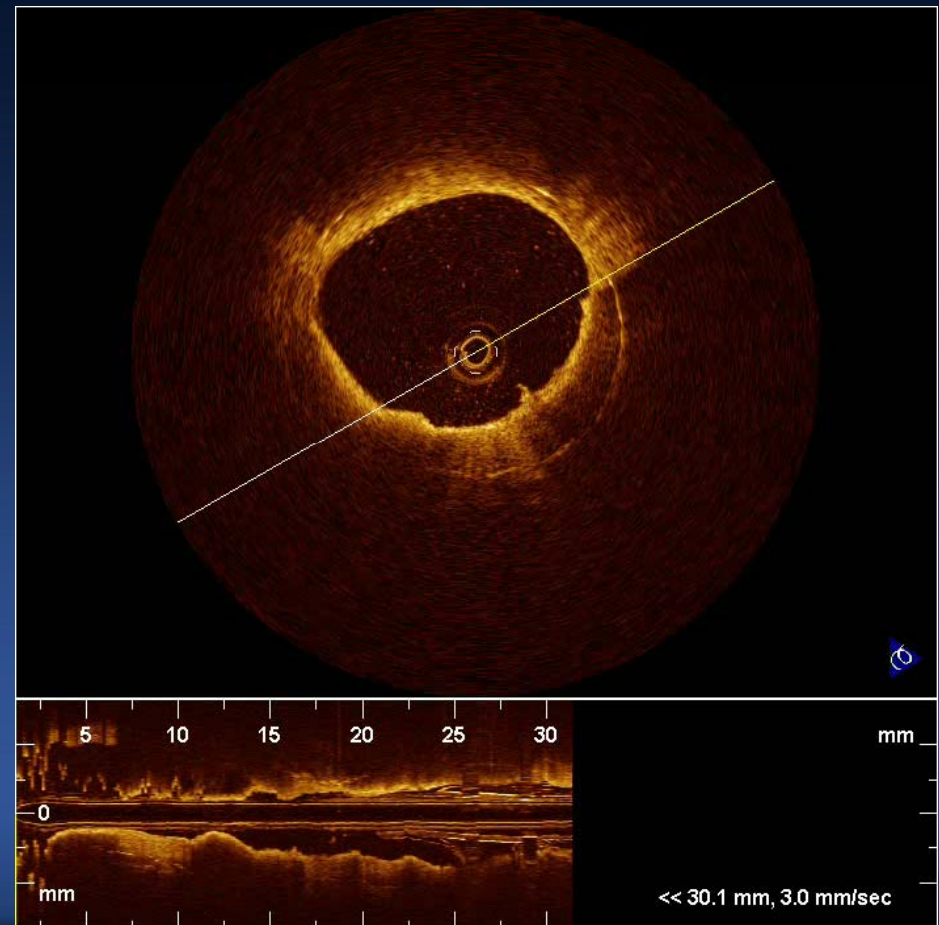
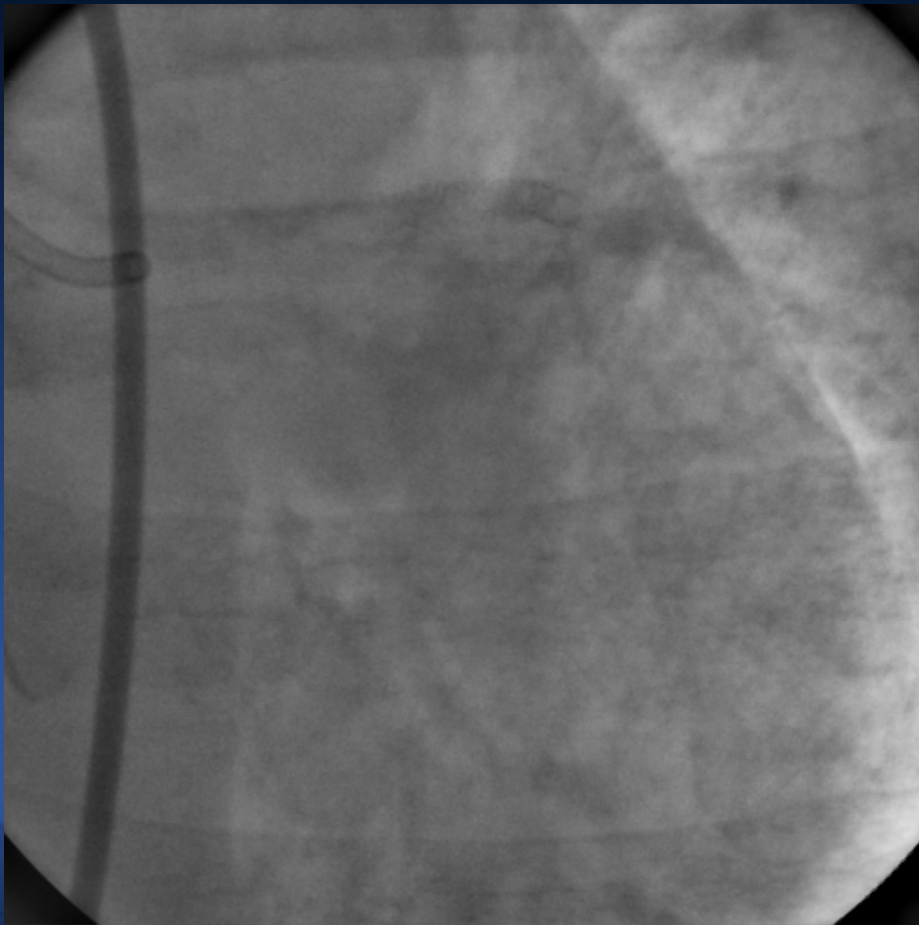


- Neointima transforms into lipid-laden atherosclerotic tissue in late phase after BMS
- Lipid-laden intima frequently has intimal disruption, thrombi and neovascularization

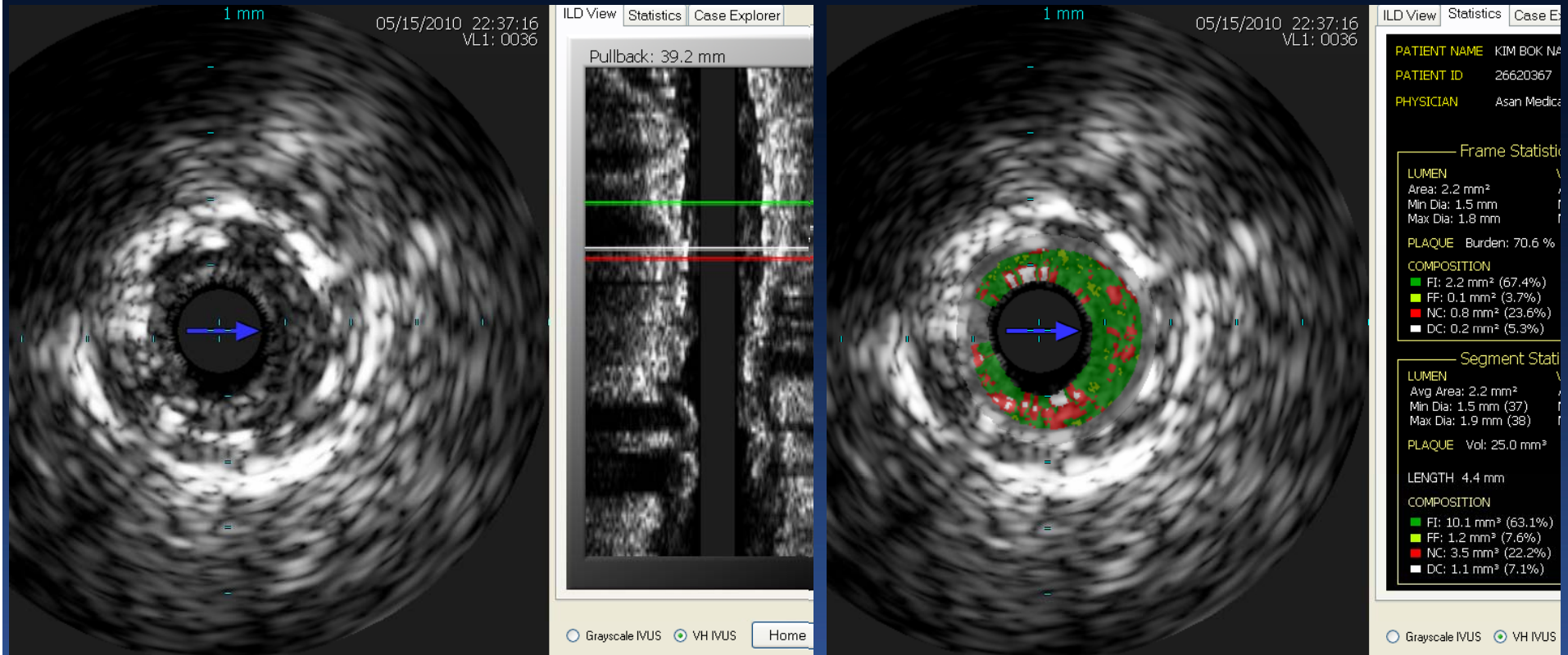
Takano et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2009;55:26-32

71 Year-Old Female

- 8YA Stable angina → s/p BMS at pRCA and mLAD
- 7YA mLAD diffuse ISR → triple anti-platelet
- Resting chest pain → “**Unstable Angina**”



Virtual Histology



In-Stent Neointimal Hyperplasia

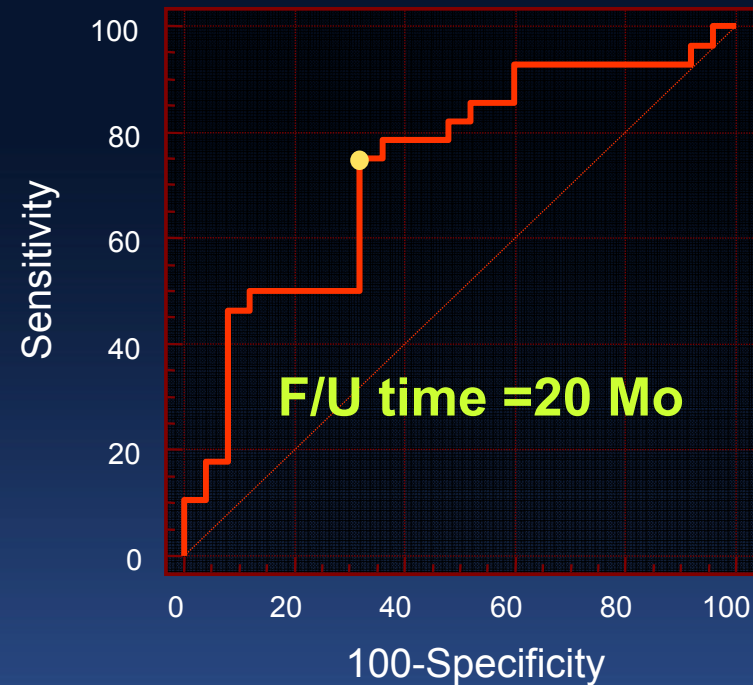
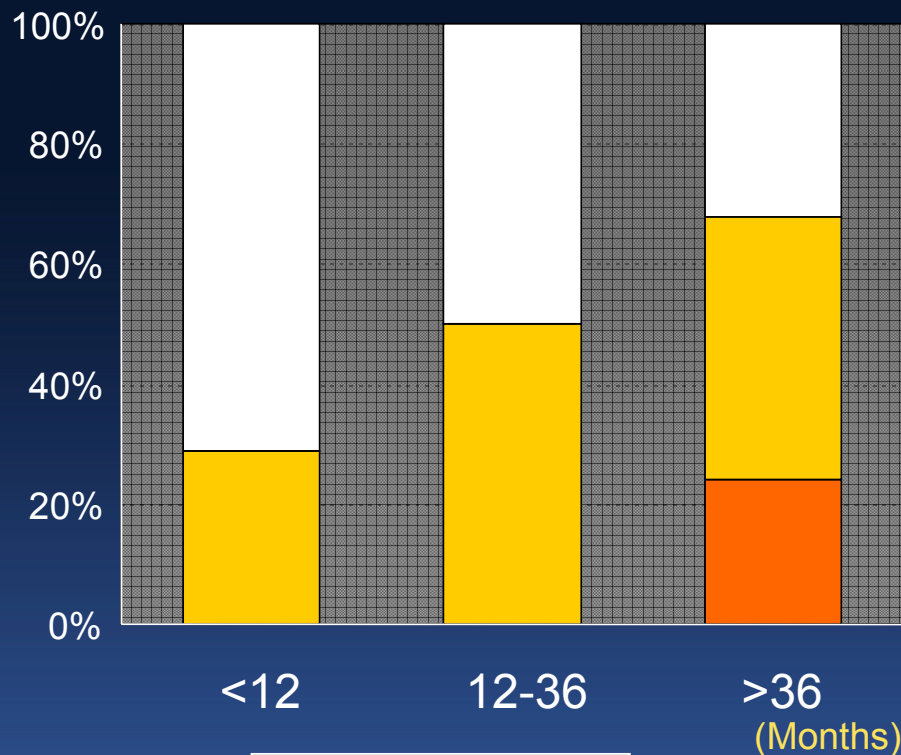
OCT Analysis in 50 DES-ISR Lesions with %IH>50%

	Total N=50	Stable N=30	Unstable N=20	P
Follow-up (months)	32 (9-52)	14 (8-51)	41 (16-56)	0.178
Lipid neointima	45 (90%)	25 (83%)	20 (100%)	0.067
Fibrous cap thickness, μm	60 (50-162)	100 (60-205)	55 (42-105)	0.006
Incidence of thrombi	29 (58%)	13 (43%)	16 (80%)	0.010
Incidence of red thrombi	7 (14%)	1 (3%)	6 (30%)	0.012
Incidence of rupture	29 (58%)	14 (47%)	15 (75%)	0.044
Incidence of TCFA	26 (52%)	11 (37%)	15 (75%)	0.008
Neovascularization	30 (60%)	15 (50%)	15 (75%)	0.069

Kang et al. Accepted in Circulation 2011

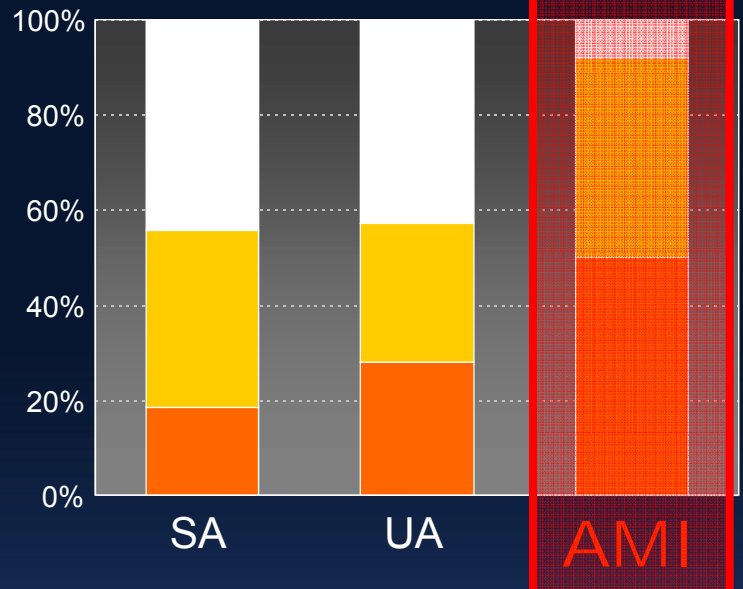
DES Follow-up >20 Months

Best Cut-Off to Predict **TCFA-Containing Neointima**

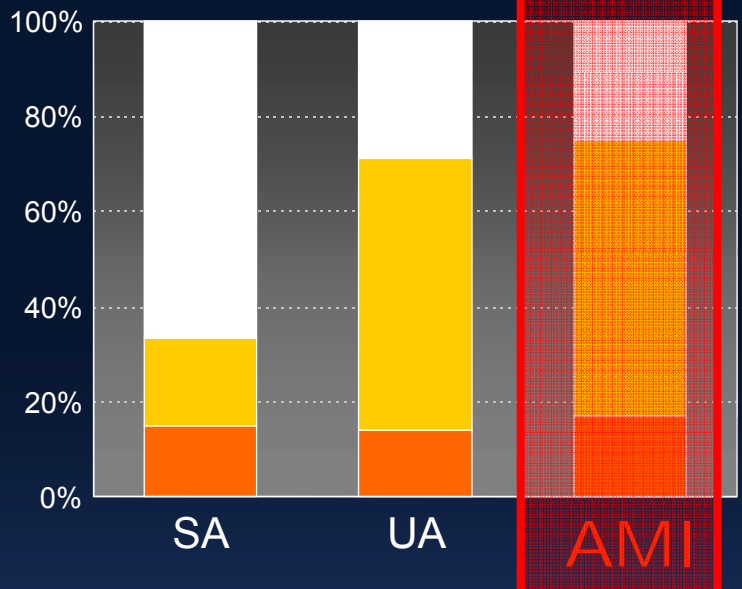


AUC=0.73
Sensitivity 75%
Specificity 68%

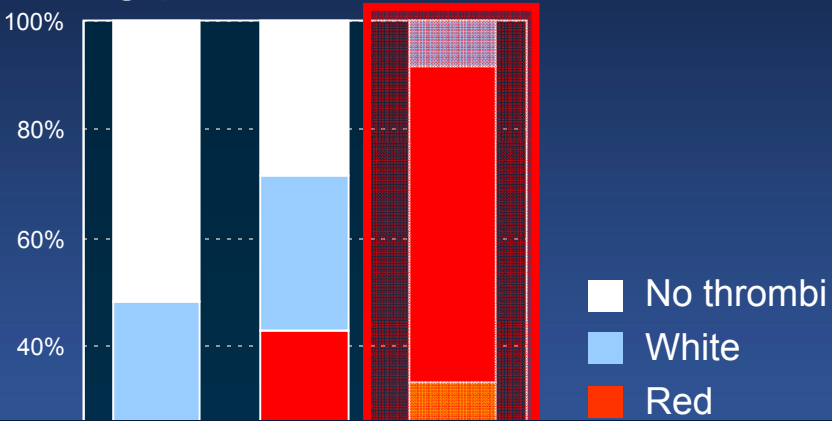
TCFA-Containing Intima



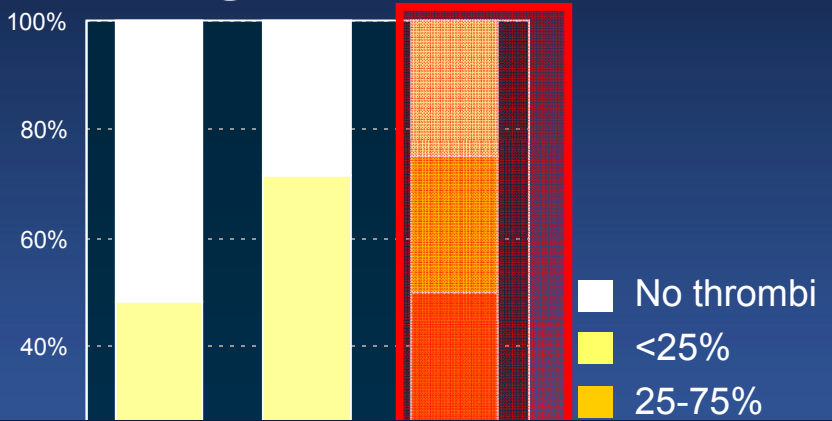
Neointimal Rupture



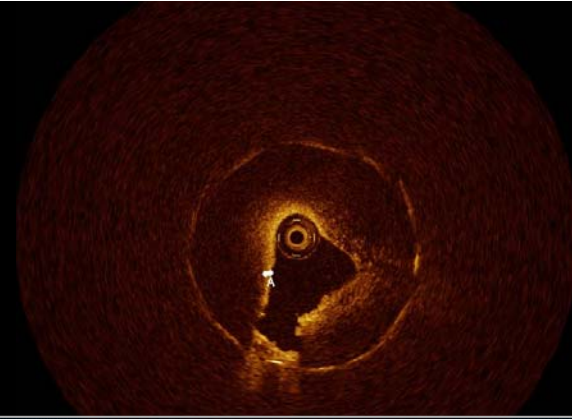
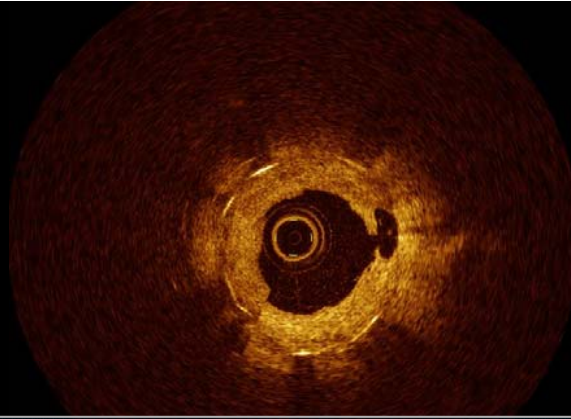
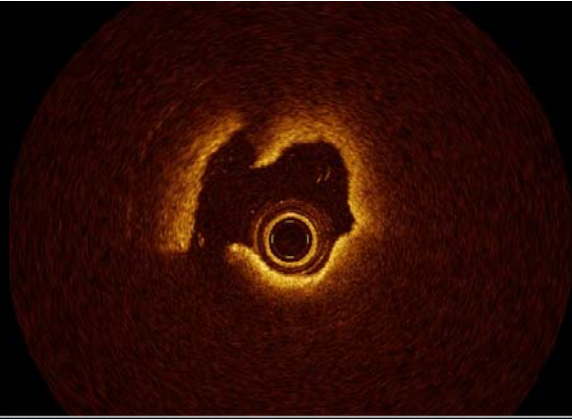
Type of Thrombi



Longitudinal Extent



Various size and extent of thrombi, the degree of flow-limiting obstruction and acuteness may determine the diversity



SUMMARY

In-stent neoatherosclerosis may increase neointimal vulnerability and contribute to the development of stent failure as one of causative mechanisms, especially late after stent implantation

