

From FFR to iFR

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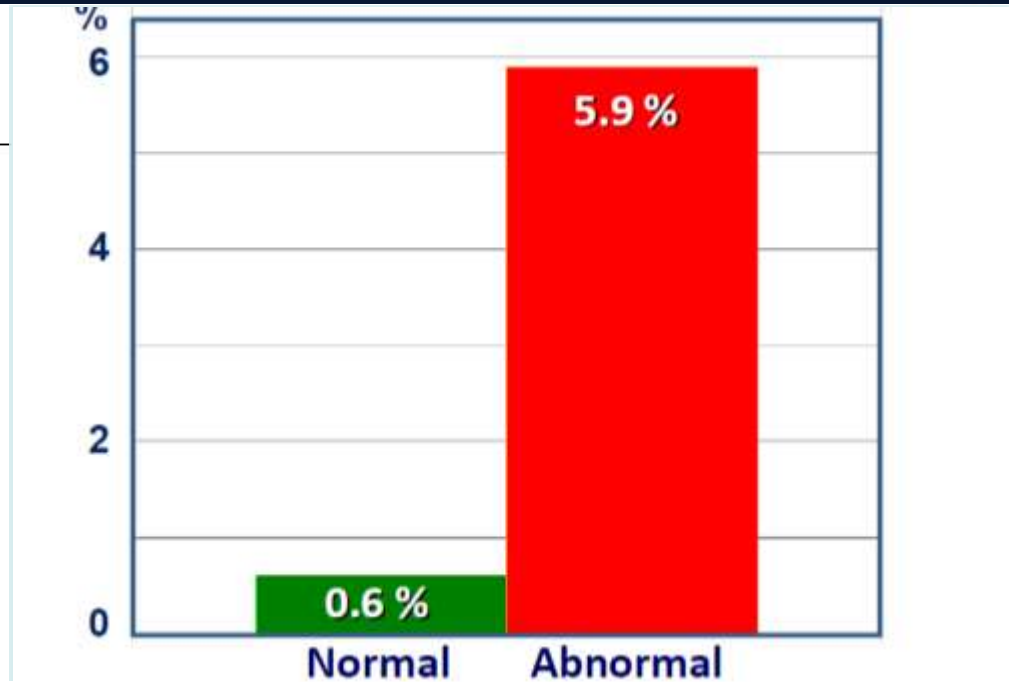
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Prognosis of Normal or Low-risk SPECT

Annual risk of cardiac death/ MI: Meta-analysis

Year	Author
2003	Elhendy ⁵⁴
2003	Hachamovitch ⁵⁵
2003	Shaw ³³
2002	Gibson ⁵⁶
2001	Galassi ⁵⁷
2000	Groutars ⁵⁸
1999	Soman ⁵⁹
1999	Gibbons ⁶⁰
1999	Vanzetto ⁶¹
1998	Alkeylani ⁶²
1998	Hachamovitch ⁶³
1998	Olmos ⁶⁴
1997	Boyne ⁶⁵
1997	Snader ⁶⁶
1996	Geleijnse ⁶⁷
1995	Heller ⁶⁸
1994	Kamal ⁶⁹
1994	Machecourt ⁷⁰
1994	Stratmann ⁷¹

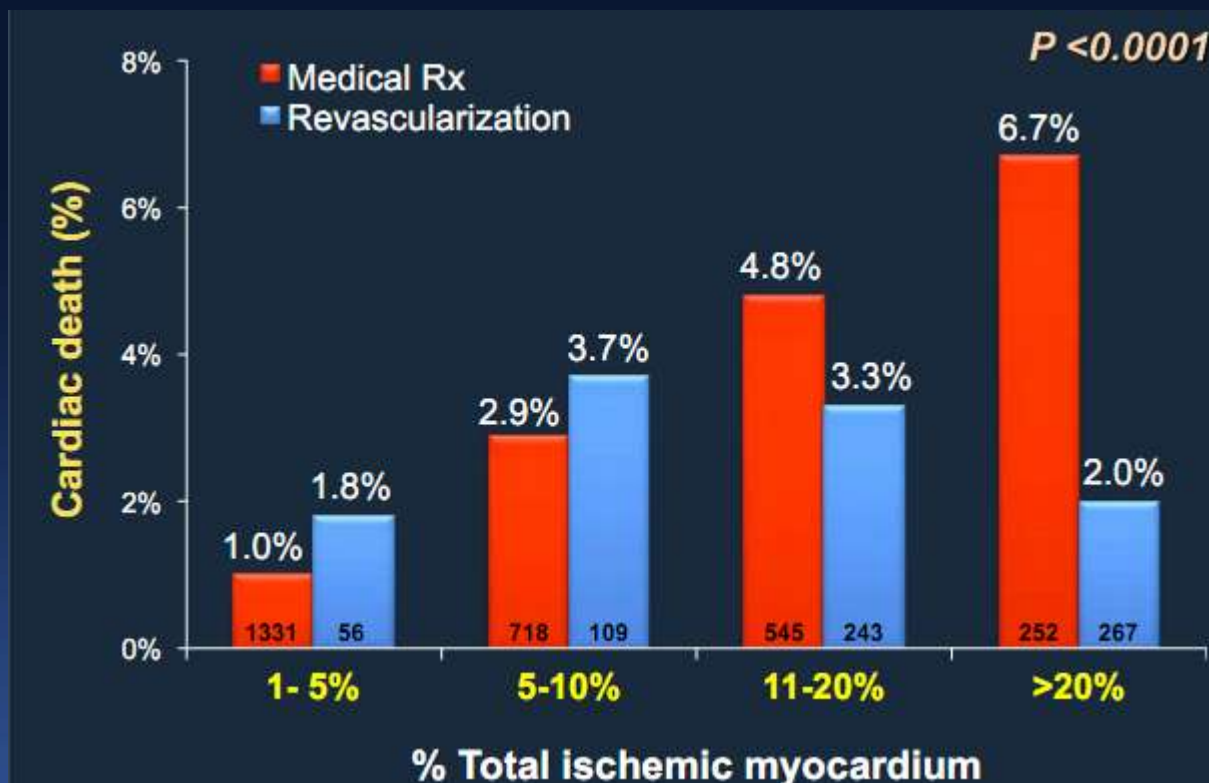


3,400	TI-201	2.0	1
392	MIBI	1.8	0.8
512	MIBI	12.8	1.3
177	TI-201	1.8	0
1,926	TI-201	2.8	0.5
534	MIBI	1.1	1.6
SPECT experience: 10 years [median (25th- 75th percentile)]	39,173*	2.3 (1.8-3.0)	0.6 (0.5-0.9)

Shaw et al. J Nucl Cardiol 2004;11:171-85

Survival Benefit of Revascularization

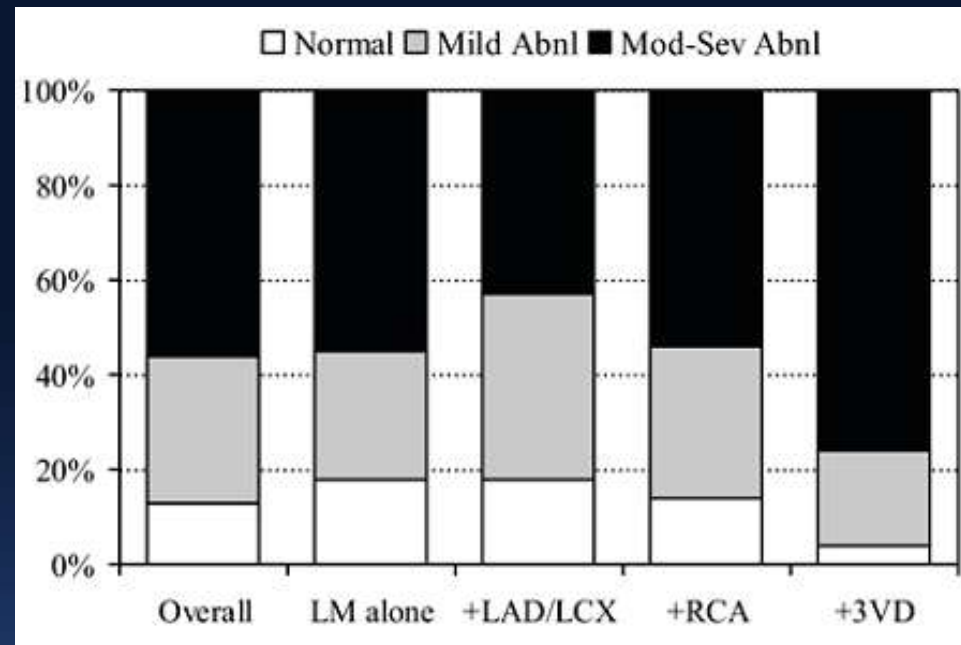
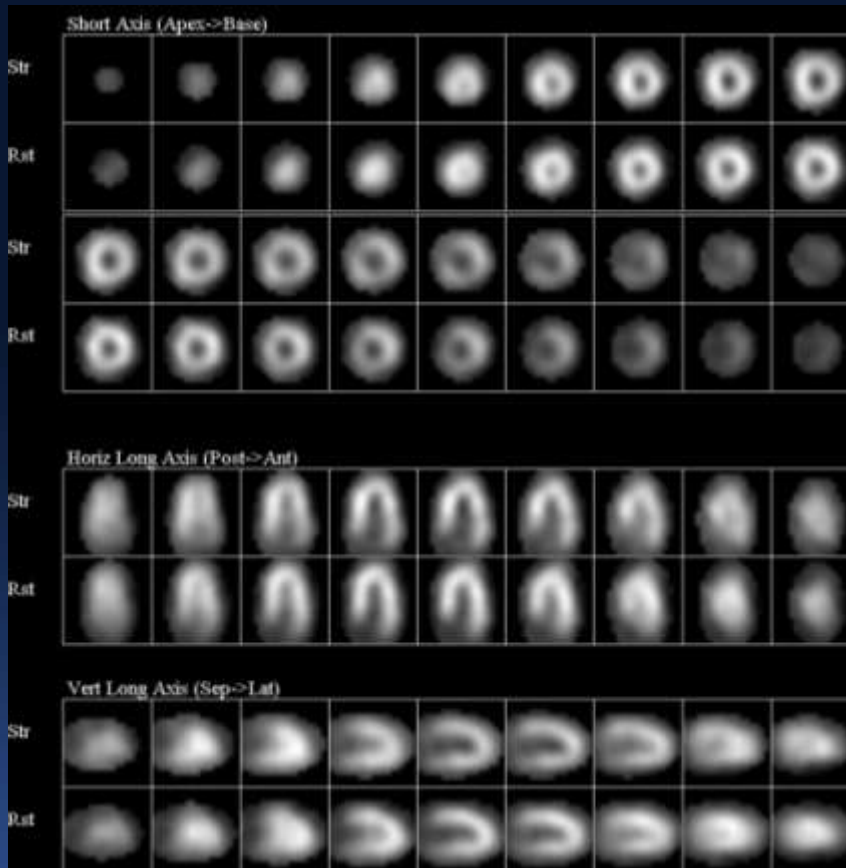
at 1.9-year F/U



Revascularization had greater survival benefit in patients with moderate to large amounts of ischemia

Hachamovitch et al. Circulation 2003;107:2900-7

Pitfalls of Myocardial Perfusion Scan



**False Negative
“Balanced Ischemia”**

- Underestimation of true severity of multi-vessel dz
- No typical perfusion pattern for LM disease
- Not “Lesion-Specific”

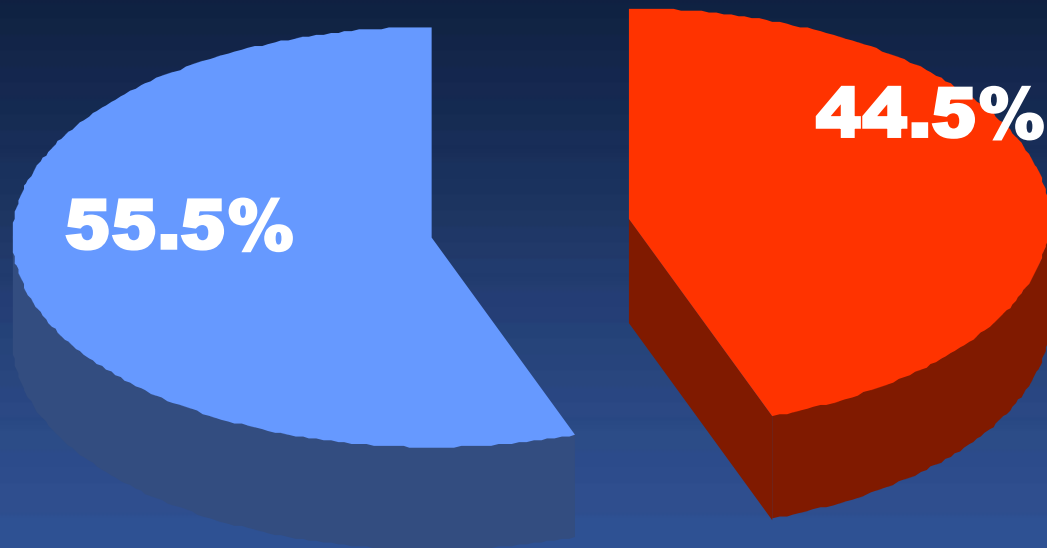
Berman et al. J Nuclear Cardiol 2007;14:521-8

Frequency of Stress Testing

to Document Ischemia Prior to Elective PCI

Stable angina (N=23,837)

■ Stress test (+) ■ Stress test (-)

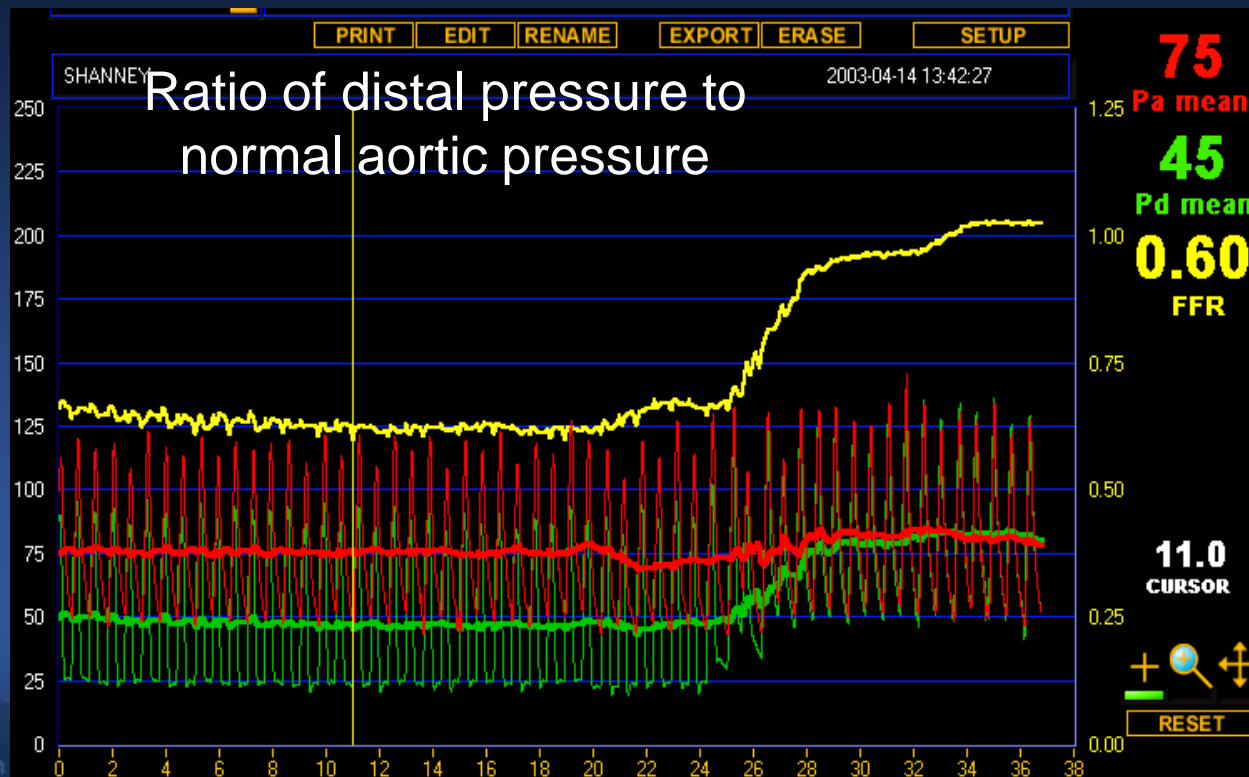
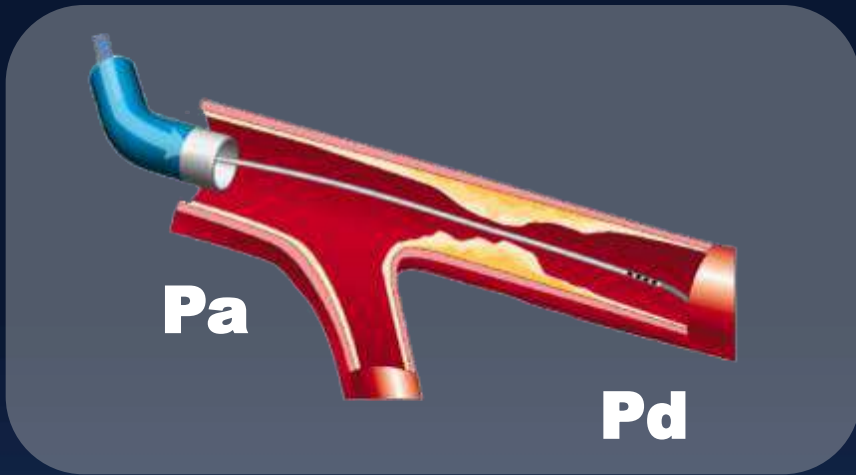


JAMA2008;300:1765-73

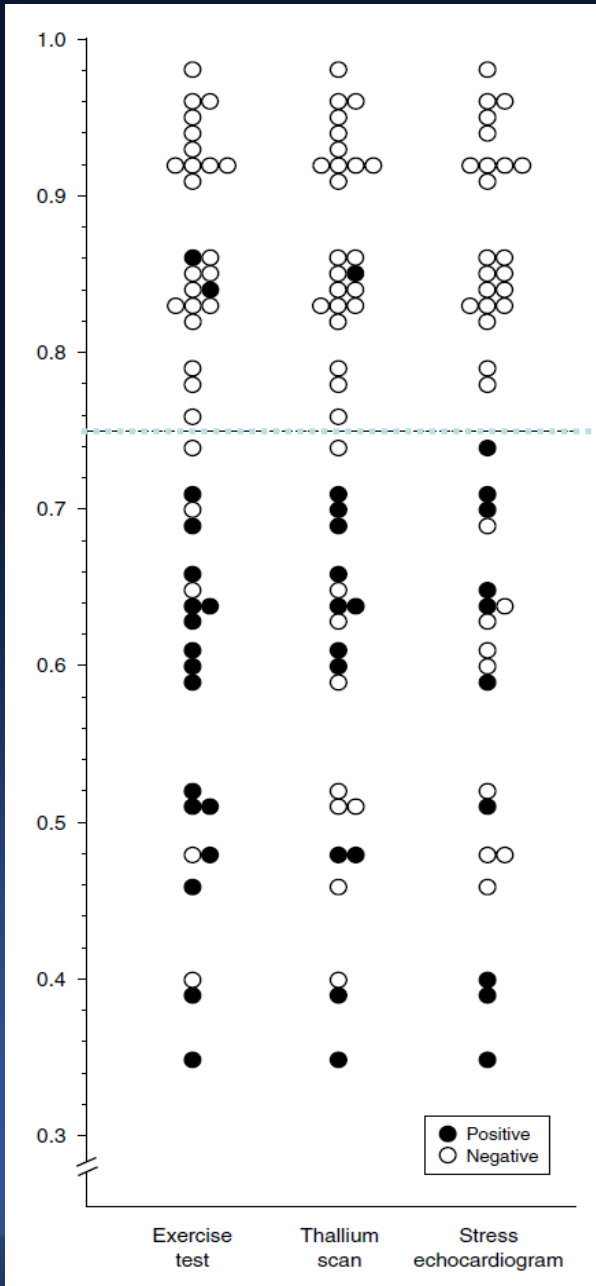
Fractional Flow Reserve (FFR)

At Maximal Hyperemia

$$\frac{Q_s \text{ max}}{Q_N \text{ max}} = \frac{P_d}{P_a}$$



FFR



Validation of FFR

With 3 Non-invasive Stress Tests

FFR < 0.75

Sensitivity 88%

Specificity 100%

Positive PV 100%

Negative PV 88%

Accuracy 93%

Pijls et al. New Engl J med 1996;334:1703

Cut-Offs to Predict Ischemia



Significant

Grey

Insignificant

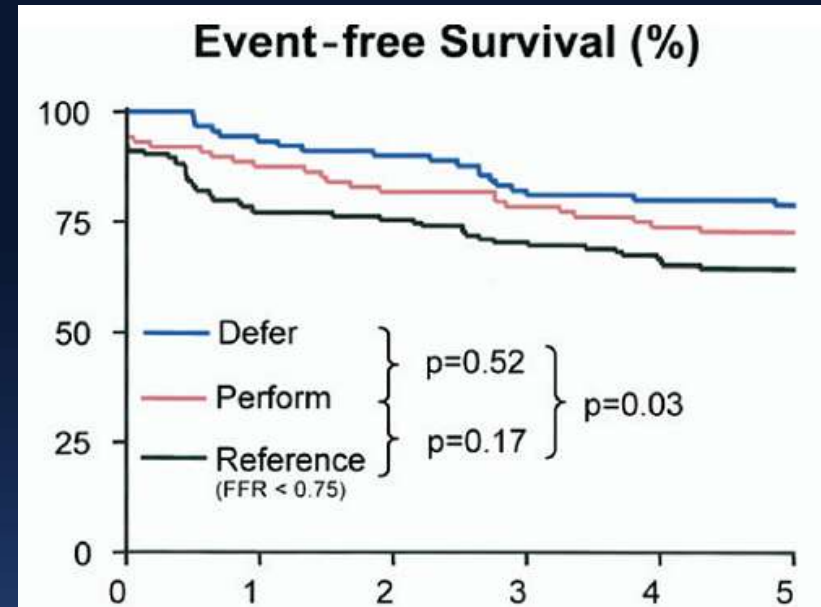
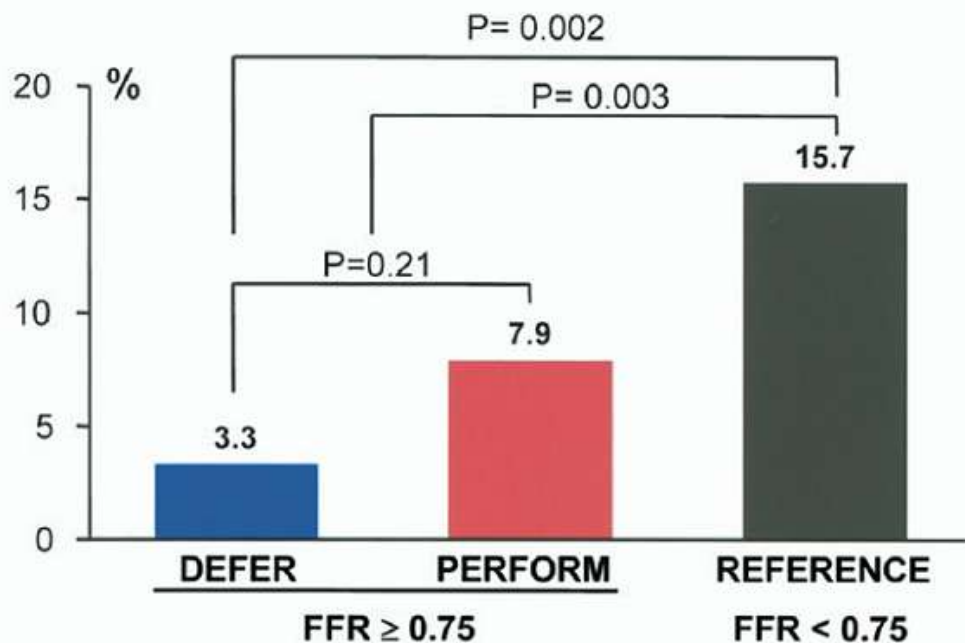
Author	Number	Stress Test	BCV	Accuracy
Pijls et al.	60	X-ECG	0.74	97
DeBruyne et al.	60	X-ECG/SPECT	0.72	85
Pijls et al.	45	X-ECG/SPECT/pacing/DSE	0.75	93
Bartunek et al.	37	DSE	0.68	90
Abe et al.	46	SPECT	0.75	91
Chamuleau et al.	127	SPECT	0.74	77
Caymaz et al.	40	SPECT	0.76	95
Jimenez-Navarro et al.	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
Kang SJ (AMC 2010)	151	SPECT	0.77	89

DEFER Trial

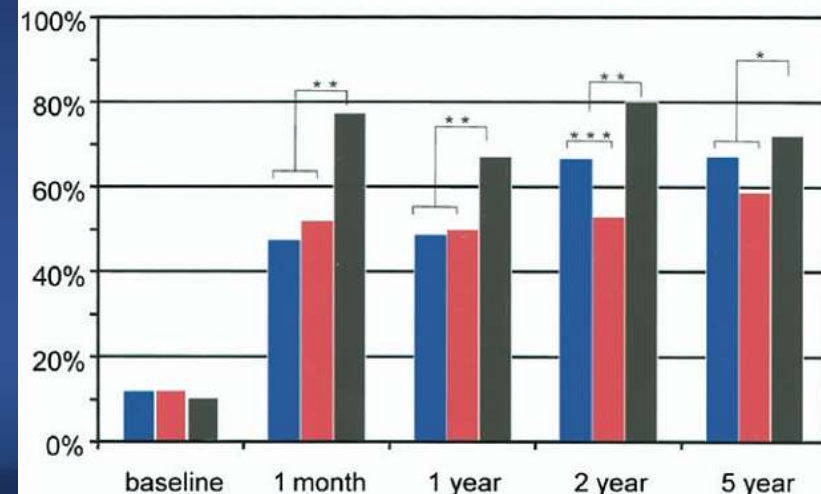
325 Patients with Single Vessel Disease

- FFR ≥ 0.75 **DEFER** (91 pts)
- FFR ≥ 0.75 **PERFORM PCI** (90 pts)
- FFR < 0.75 **REFERENCE** (144 pts)

Cardiac Death and Acute MI after 5 Years

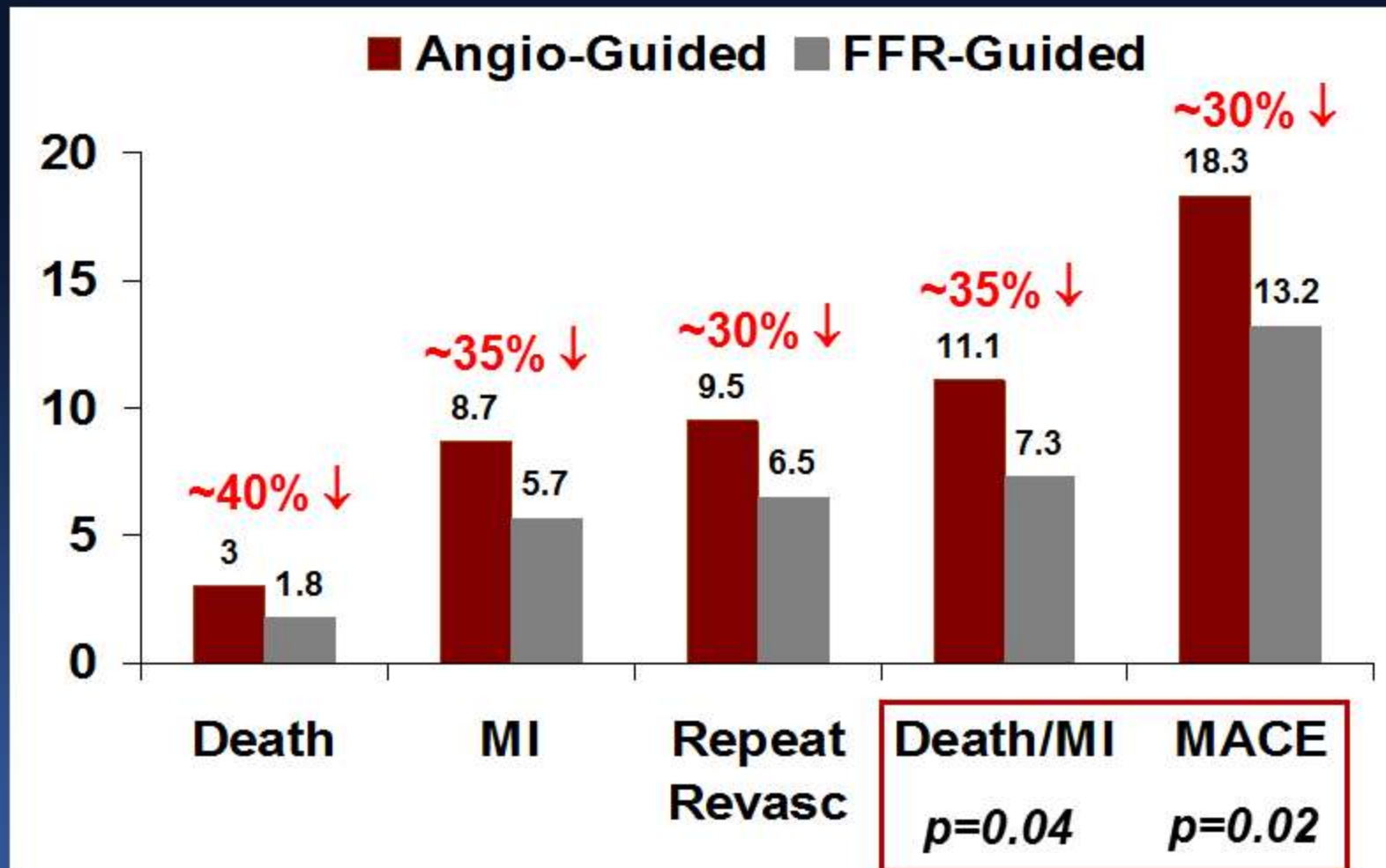


% Patients Free from Chest Pain



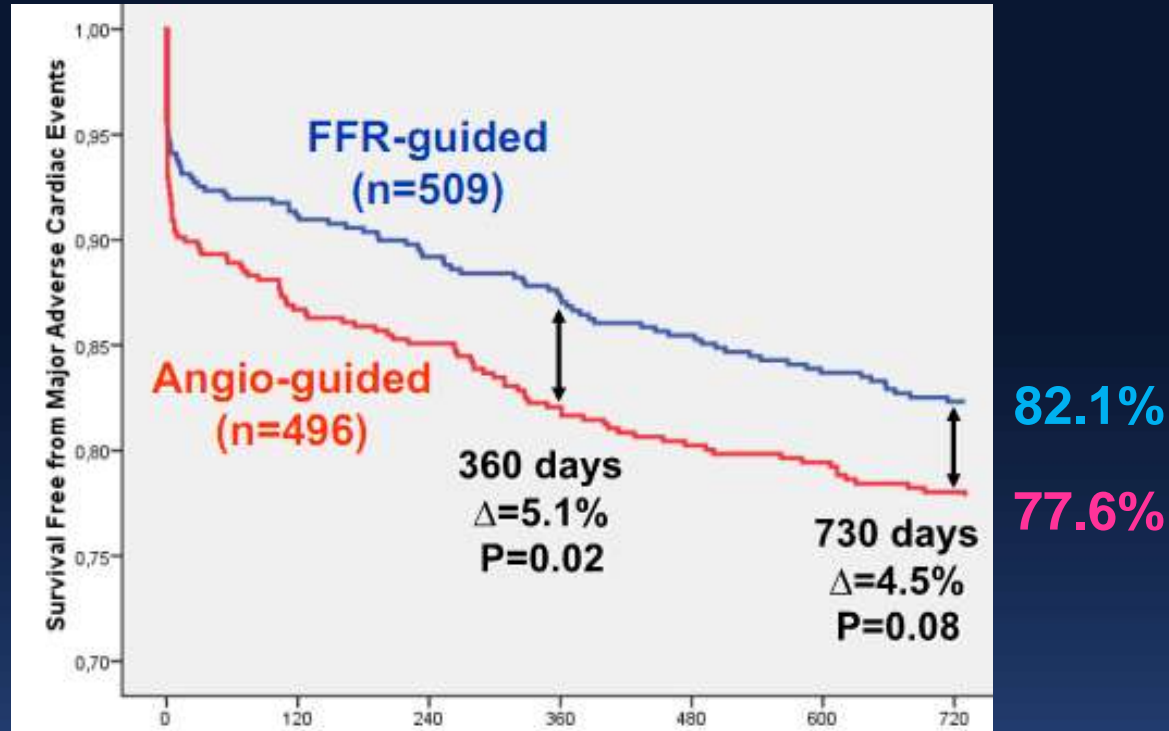
J Am Coll Cardiol 2007;49:2105–11

FAME: One Year Outcomes



Tonino et al. *New Engl J Med* 2009;360:213-24

FAME 2-year Outcomes



	Angio-guided	FFR-guided	RR	p
MACE at 2 years	22.4%	17.9%	0.80	0.08
Death or MI	12.9%	8.4%	0.65	0.02
Revascularization	12.7%	10.6%	0.84	0.30
Angina-free at 2yrs	75.8%	79.9%		0.14

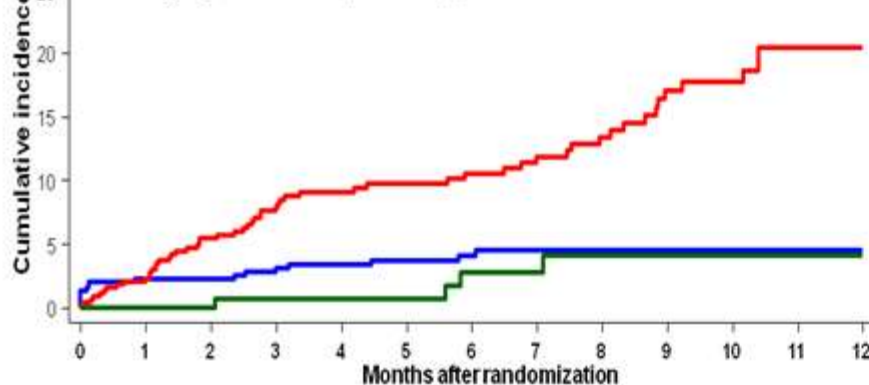
Pijls et al. JACC 2010;56:177-84

FAME 2

FFR-Guided PCI vs. Medical Therapy in Stable CAD

Primary Outcomes

PCI+MT vs. MT: HR 0.32 (0.19-0.53); p<0.001
PCI+MT vs. Registry: HR 1.29 (0.49-3.39); p=0.61
MT vs. Registry: HR 4.32 (1.75-10.7); p<0.001

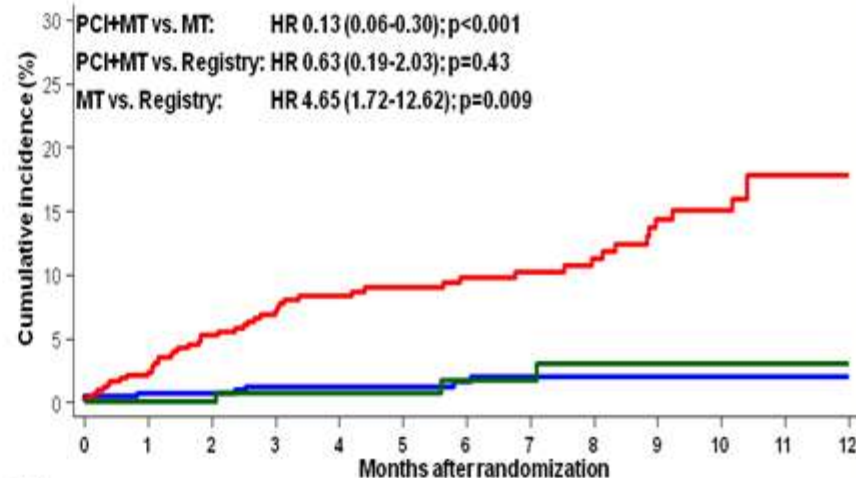


No. at risk	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
MT	441	414	370	322	283	253	220	192	162	127	100	70	37
PCI+MT	447	414	388	351	308	277	243	212	175	155	117	92	53
Registry	166	156	145	133	117	106	93	74	64	52	41	25	13

* Composite of all cause death, myocardial infarction, unplanned hospitalization with urgent revascularization

Urgent Revascularization

PCI+MT vs. MT: HR 0.13 (0.06-0.30); p<0.001
PCI+MT vs. Registry: HR 0.63 (0.19-2.03); p=0.43
MT vs. Registry: HR 4.65 (1.72-12.62); p=0.009



No. at risk	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
MT	441	414	371	325	286	256	223	195	164	129	101	71	38
PCI+MT	447	421	395	356	315	285	248	217	180	160	119	93	53
Registry	166	156	145	133	117	106	94	75	65	53	42	26	13

▪ **FFR >0.75 - 0.80** is useful to identify patients in whom deferral of PCI leads to favorable outcomes

Author	Comparison	Results	p
Lindstaedt¹	CABG (FFR<0.75) vs. Medical (\geq 0.80)	4-year Survival 81% vs. 100% MACE-free 66% vs. 69%	NS
Jasti²	CABG (FFR<0.75) vs. Medical (\geq 0.75)	38-month Survival 100% vs. 100% MACE-free 100% vs. 90%	NS
Courtis³	Revasc (FFR<0.75) vs. Medical (\geq 0.80)	14-month MACE 7% vs. 13%	NS
Bech⁴	Revasc (FFR<0.75) vs. Medical (\geq 0.75)	29-month Survival 100% vs. 97% MACE-free 83% vs. 76%	NS
Hamilos⁵	CABG (FFR<0.80) vs. Medical (\geq 0.80)	5-year Survival 85% vs. 90% MACE-free 74% vs. 82%	NS

¹ *Am Heart J* 2006;152:156, ² *Circulation* 2004;110:2831-6, ³ *Am J Cardiol* 2009;103:943-9

⁴ *Heart* 2001;86:547-52, ⁵ *Circulation* 2009;120:1505-12

Current Guideline

2010 ESC Class I *Level of Evidence A*

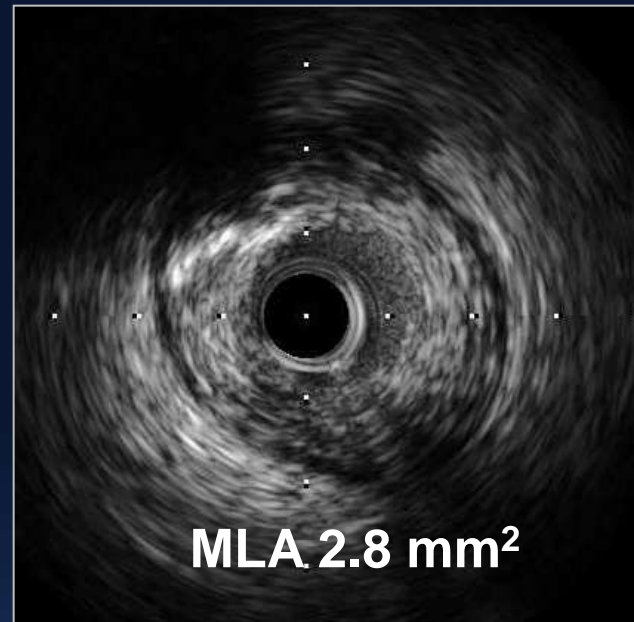
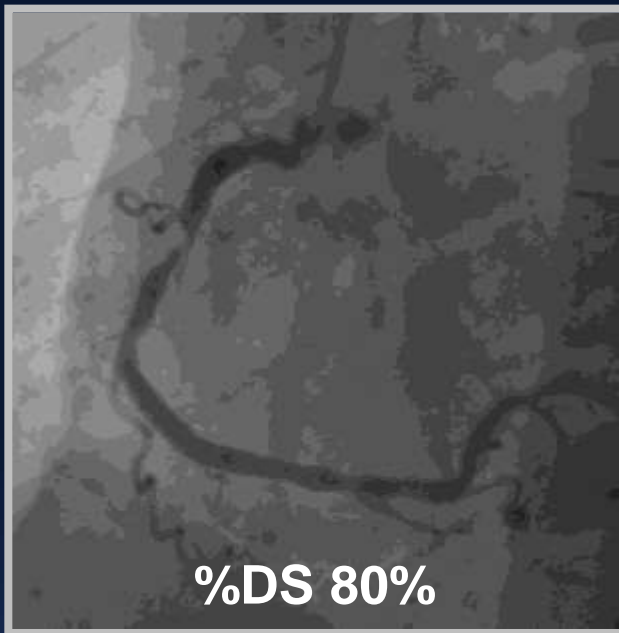
FFR-guided PCI is recommended for detection of ischemia-related lesions when objective evidence of vessel-related ischemia is not available

2009 AHA/ACC Class IIa *Level of Evidence A*

FFR is reasonable to assess intermediate lesion (30-70% DS) and can be useful to guide revascularization in stable IHD

Visual-Functional Mismatch

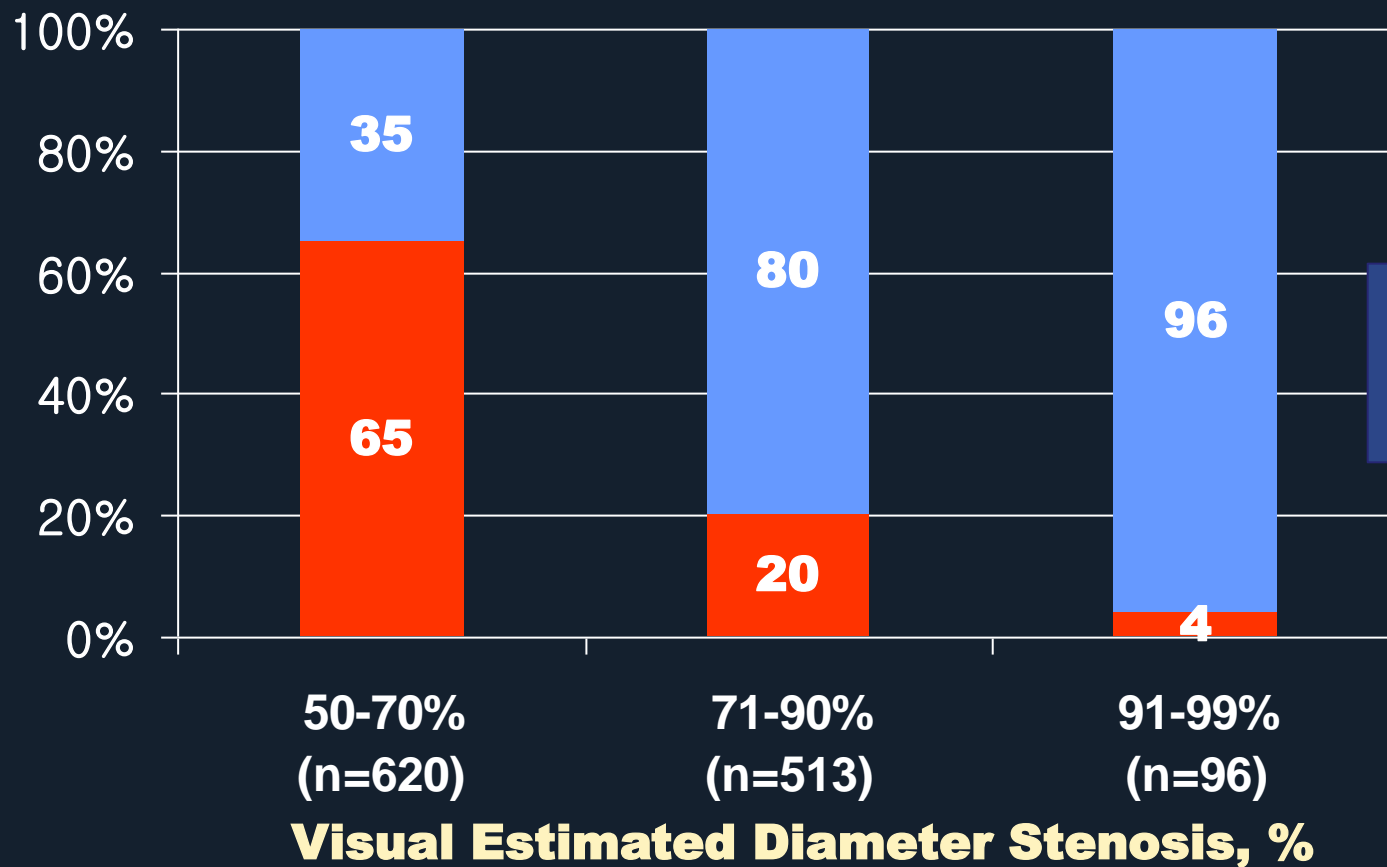
Frequency and Mechanism



Visual-Functional Mismatch

FAME

■ **FFR > 0.80** ■ **FFR ≤ 0.80**

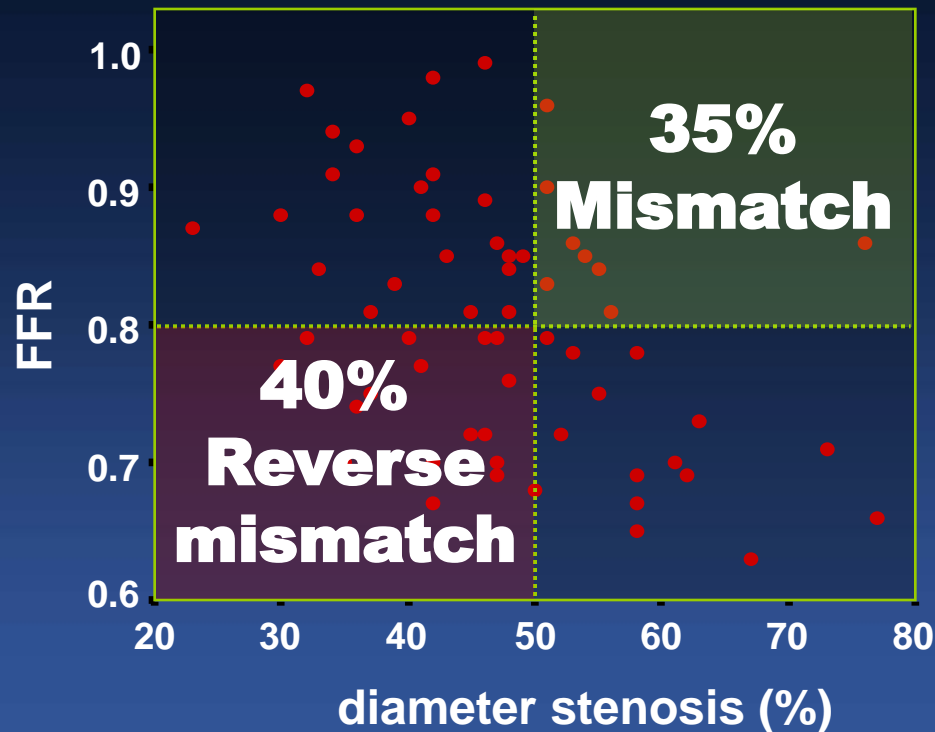


1000 Consecutive Patients

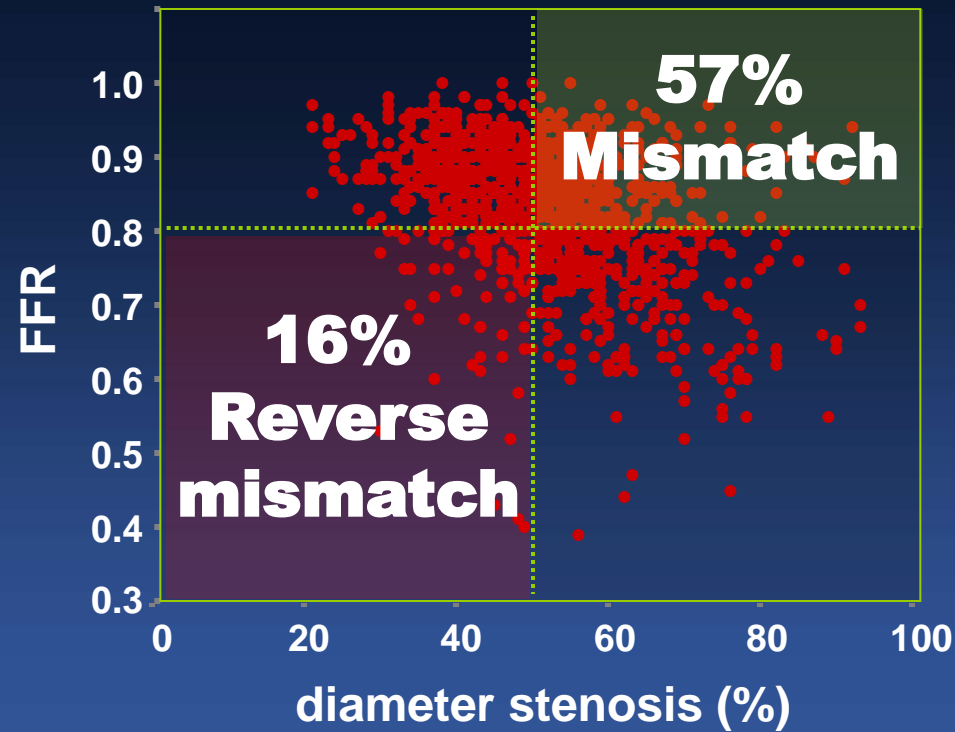
(1129 lesions with DS >30%) who underwent IVUS and FFR

ClinicalTrials.gov NCT01366404

63 LM lesions



1066 Non-LM lesions



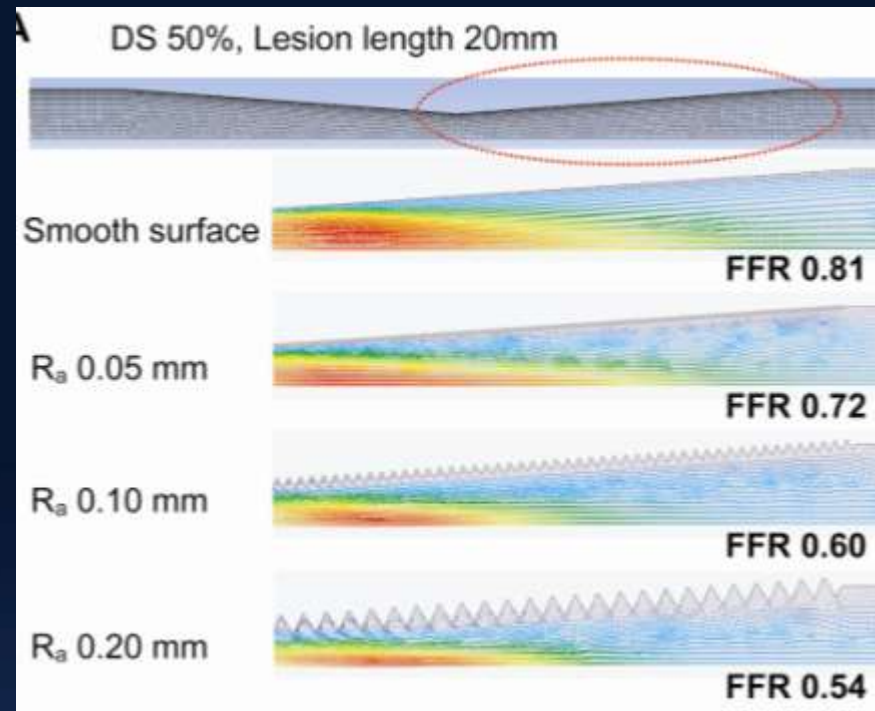
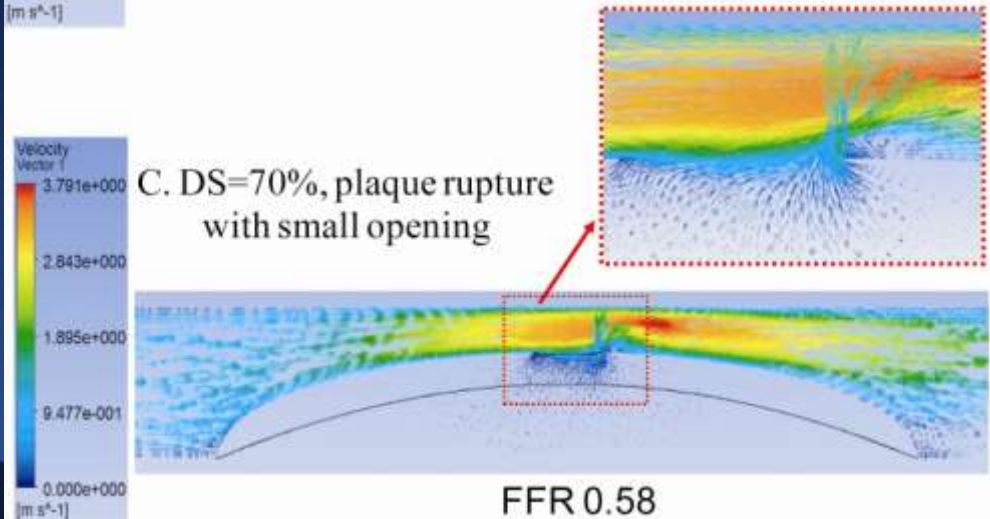
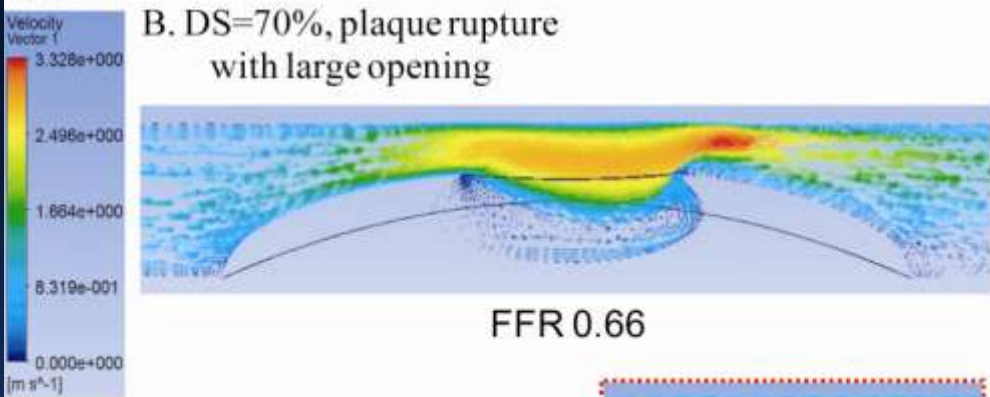
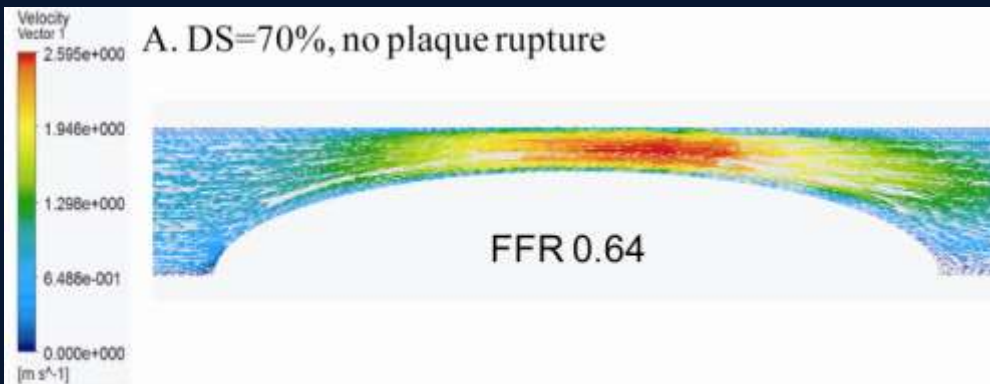
Park et al. JACC interv 2012;5:1029-36

Why Mismatch

Nov 2009-Jun 2011, 1000 consecutive patients (1129 lesions with DS >30%) who underwent pre-PCI IVUS and FFR
(*ClinicalTrials.gov NCT01366404*)

Factors Affecting FFR

	Beta	p-value	95% CI
Age	0.008	<0.001	0.004 - 0.011
LAD location	-0.386	<0.001	-0.462 - 0.311
Lesion length	-0.006	<0.001	-0.009 - 0.003
Minimal lumen area	0.185	<0.001	0.149 - 0.222
Plaque burden	-0.006	<0.004	-0.009 - 0.003
Plaque rupture	-0.165	0.020	-0.302 - 0.027



Complex or irregular lumen produces greater flow resistance and energy loss of fluid, thus resulting in pressure drop and FFR↓

Park et al. JACC interv 2012;5:1029-36

	N	FFR	RLA	MLA	AUC	Sens	Spec	PPV	NPV	Accu
Takaki (1999 Circ)	51	0.75	9.3	3.0	—	83%	92%	—	—	—
Briguori (2001 AJC)	53	0.75	7.8	4.0	—	92%	56%	38%	96%	64%
Ben-Dor (2012 *)	205	0.80	8.6	3.09	0.73	69%	72%	—	—	70%
Kang (2011 Circ int)	236	0.80	7.6	2.4	0.80	90%	60%	37%	96%	68%
Kang (2012 AJC)	784	0.80	8.2	2.4	0.77	84%	63%	48%	90%	69%
Koo (2011 JACC int)	267	0.80	6.8	2.75	0.81	69%	65%	27%	81%	67%
Gonzalo (2012 JACC)	47	0.80	7.1	2.36 IVUS	0.63	67%	65%	67%	65%	66%
Gonzalo (2012 JACC)	61	0.80	7.1	1.95 OCT	0.70	82%	63%	66%	80%	72%

Meta-analysis of 11 Clinical Trials

1759 patients with 1953 lesions

Predict FFR < 0.80

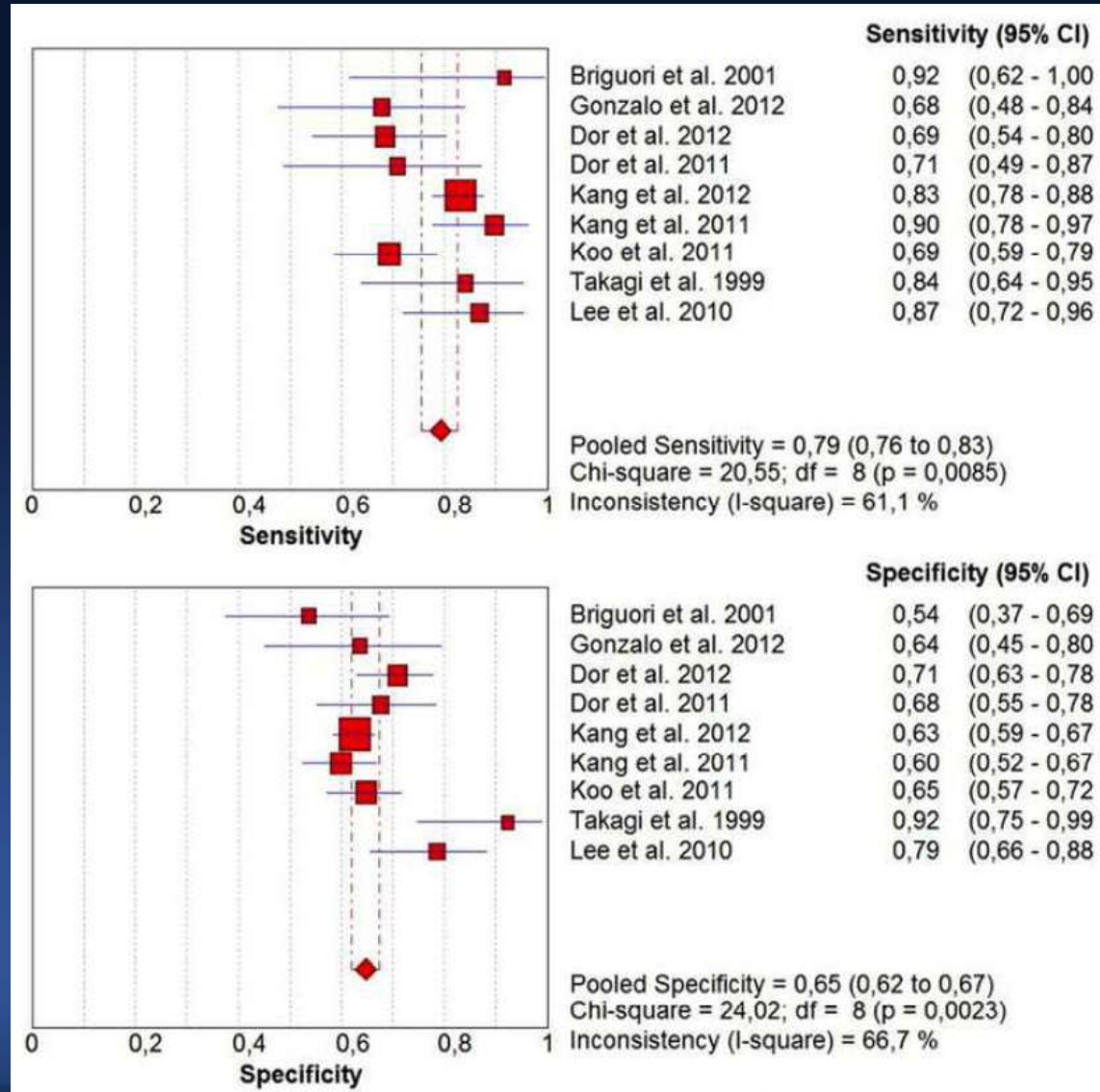
Weighted **MLA 2.61** mm²

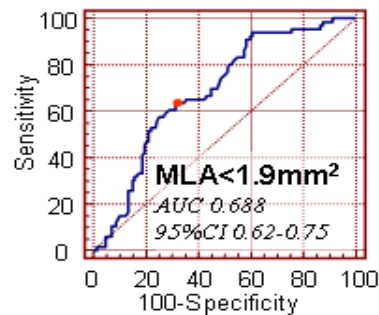
Pooled sensitivity **79%**

Pooled specificity **65%**

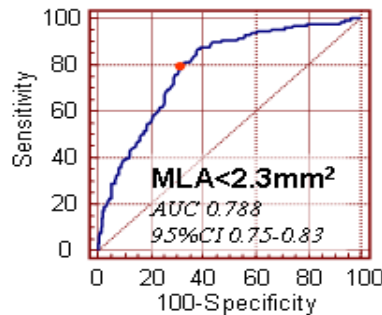
*Smaller Cut-off than Used
Poor Accuracy*

Nascimento et al. Catheter
Cardiovasc Interv 2013 (in press)

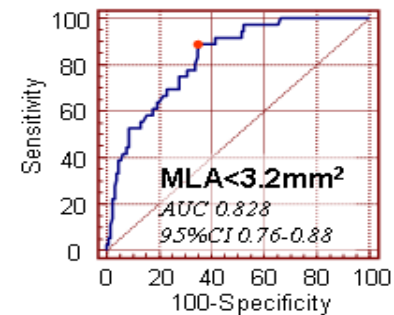


A. RLD <2.75mm (n=193)

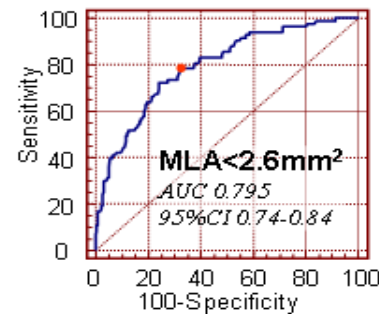
Sensitivity 64% Specificity 69%

B. RLD 2.75–3.5mm (n=456)

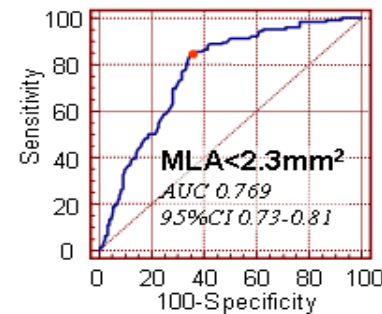
Sensitivity 80% Specificity 68%

C. RLD >3.5mm (n=166)

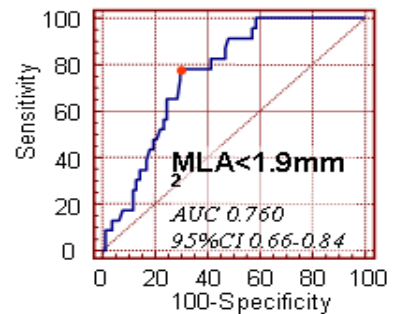
Sensitivity 89% Specificity 65%

D. Proximal (n=298)

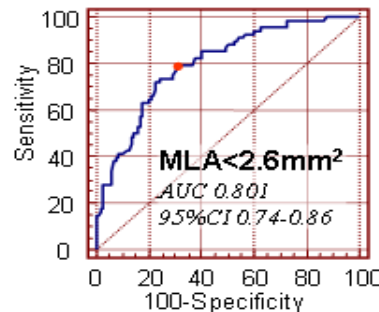
Sensitivity 78% Specificity 68%

E. Mid (n=417)

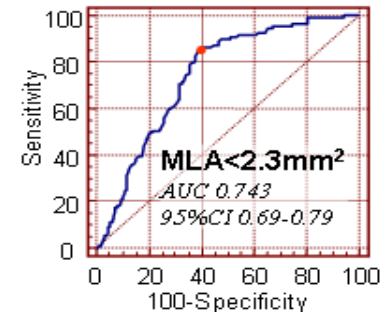
Sensitivity 84% Specificity 65%

F. Distal (n=100)

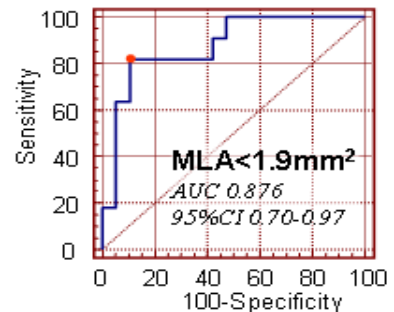
Sensitivity 78% Specificity 70%

G. Proximal LAD (n=188)

Sensitivity 79% Specificity 70%

H. Mid-LAD (n=334)

Sensitivity 85% Specificity 61%

I. Distal LAD (n=30)

Sensitivity 82% Specificity 90%

All Subgroup-specific MLA, accuracies <70-75%

Kang et al. Am J Cardiol 2012;109:947-5

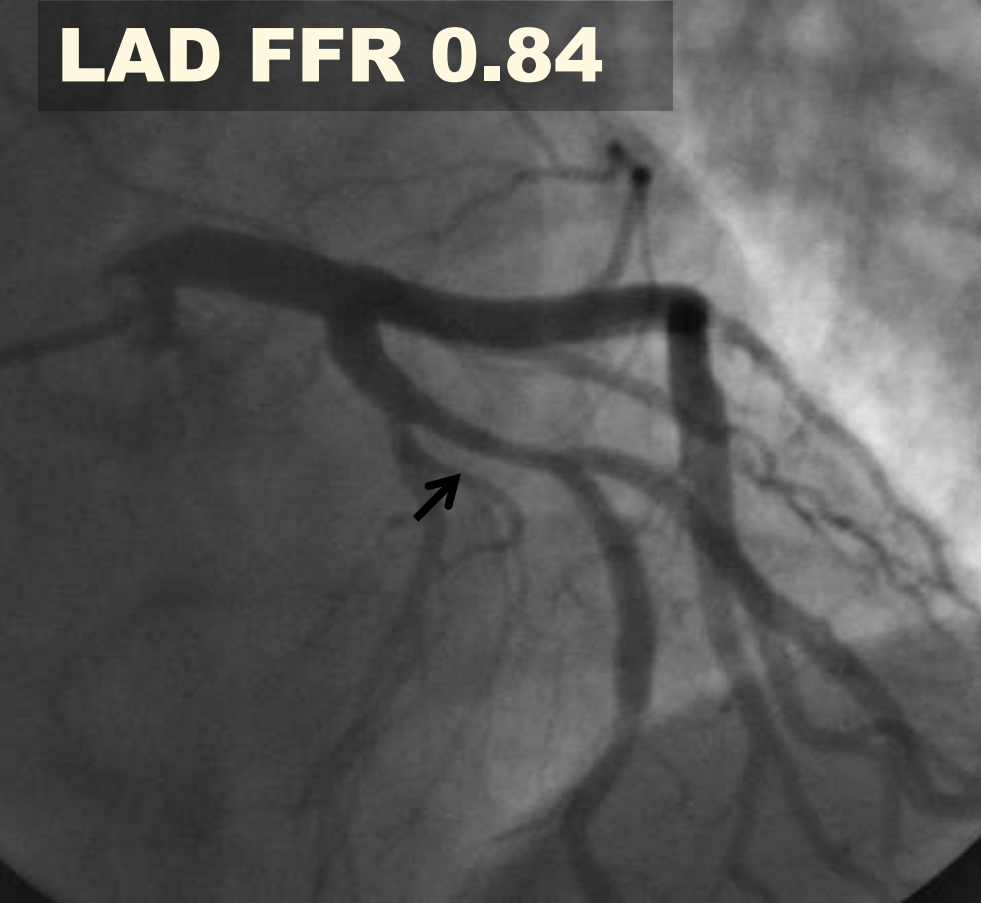
544 intermediate lesions assessed in 516 pts from 24 centers
FFR ≤ 0.80 in 169/544 lesions (31.1%) and 167/516 pts (32.4%)

	N	MLA cutoff	C-statistic	Accuracy
All lesions	544	2.9 mm ²	0.66	66.0%
LAD	296	2.9 mm ²	0.64	63.5%
LCX	110	2.4 mm ²	0.72	77.3%
RCA	138	2.8 mm ²	0.75	77.5%
Proximal	259	3.0 mm ²	0.76	74.9%
Mid	195	2.6 mm ²	0.63	65.6%
Distal	90	3.0 mm ²	0.63	51.1%
RVD <3.0 mm	322	2.6 mm ²	0.65	66.1%
RVD ≥ 3.0 mm	219	3.0 mm ²	0.71	72.6%
Length ≤ 12.3 mm	272	3.0 mm ²	0.67	64.7%
Length >12.3 mm	269	2.8 mm ²	0.69	68.8%

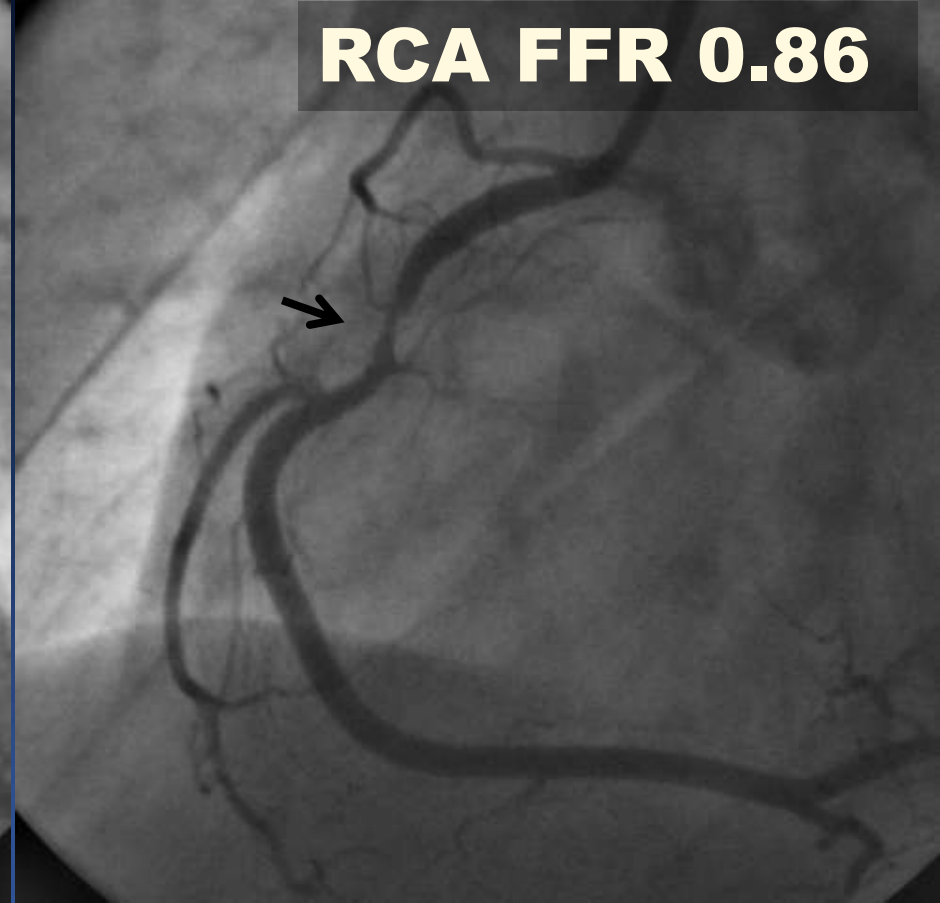
Clinical Utility of FFR

Multi-vessel Disease

LAD FFR 0.84

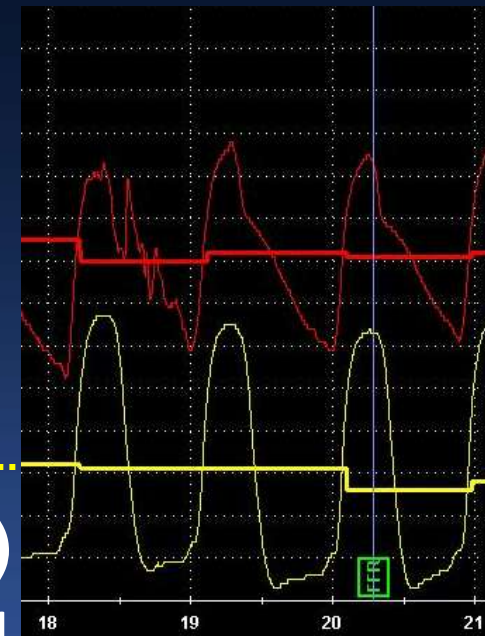
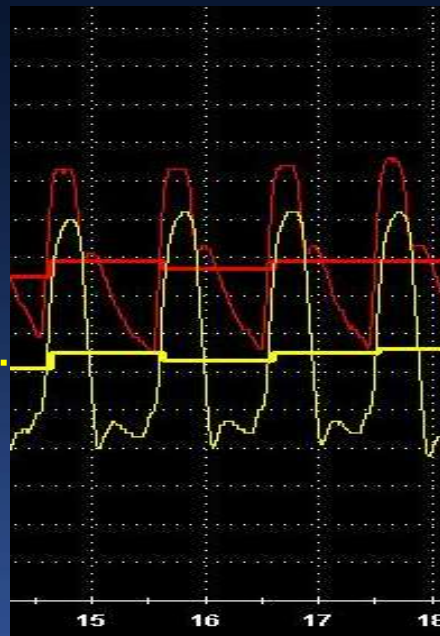
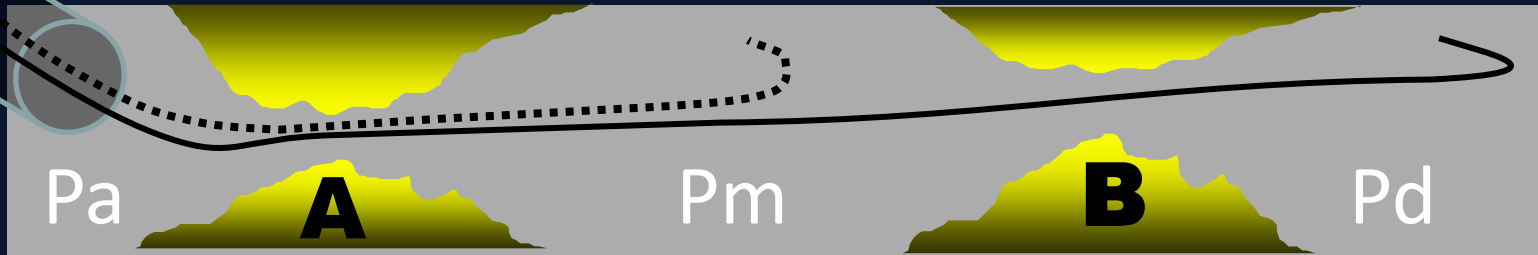


RCA FFR 0.86

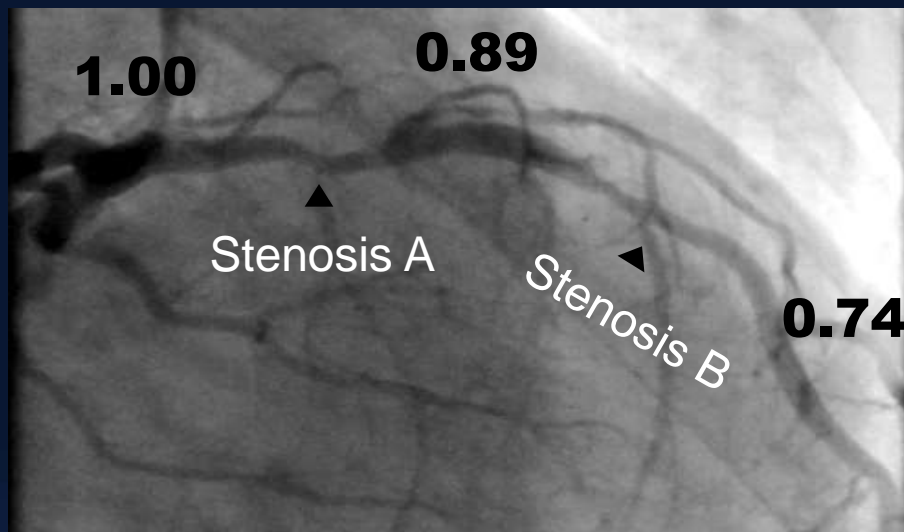


Functionally, No Disease!

Tandem Lesion



Treat the lesion with **a larger ΔP** first
Then, repeat FFR across the remaining lesion

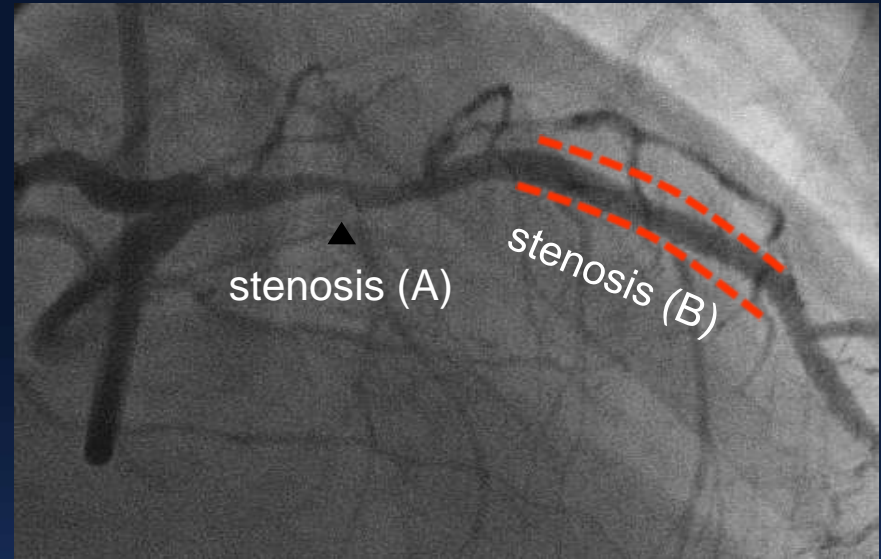


ΔFFR_B 0.15 > ΔFFR_A 0.11

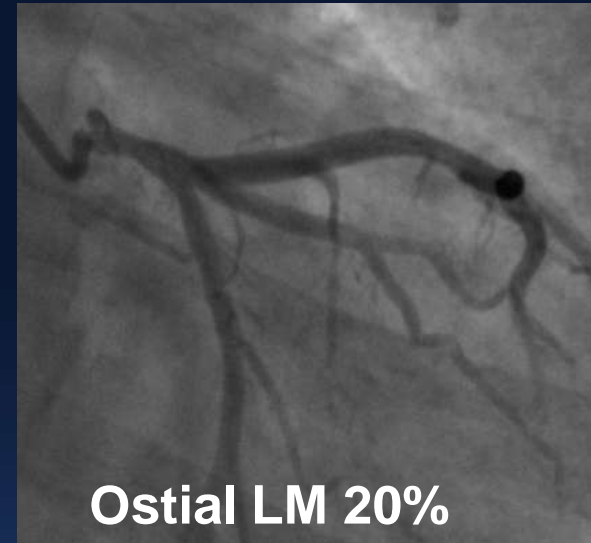
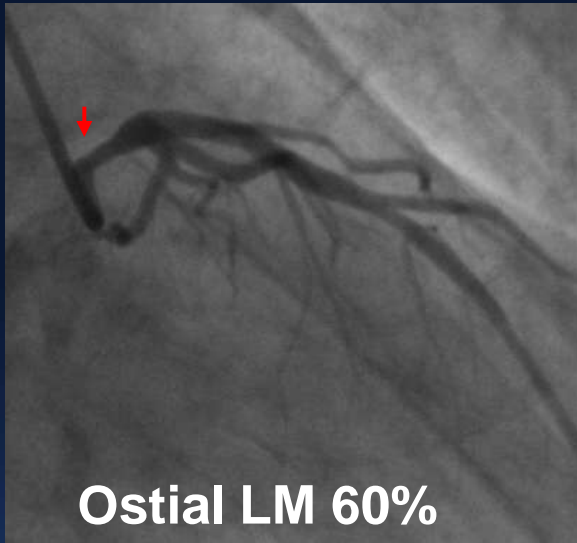


Park et al. Am J Cardiol 2012;110:1578-84

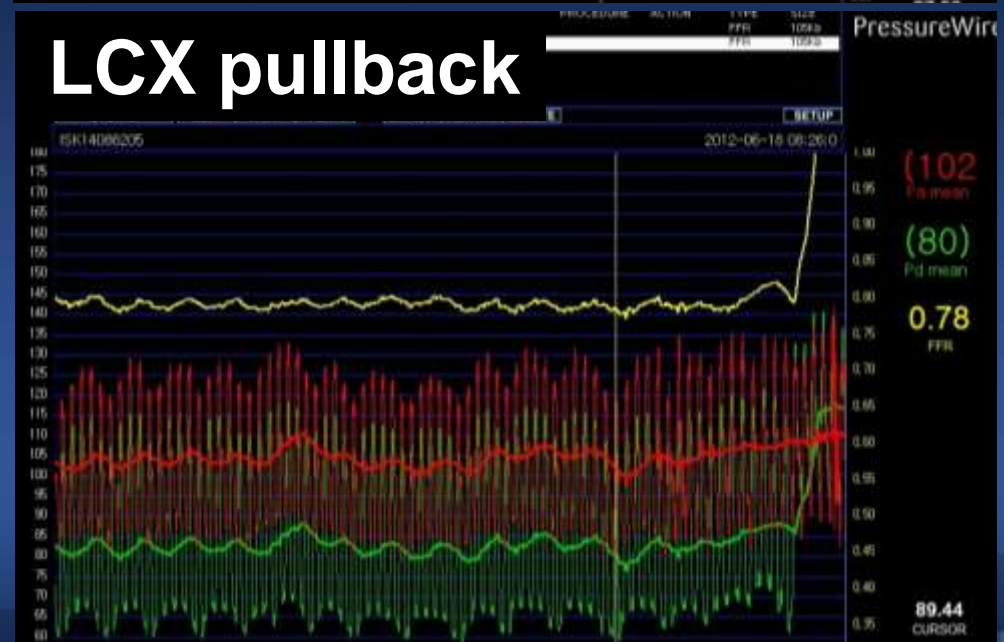
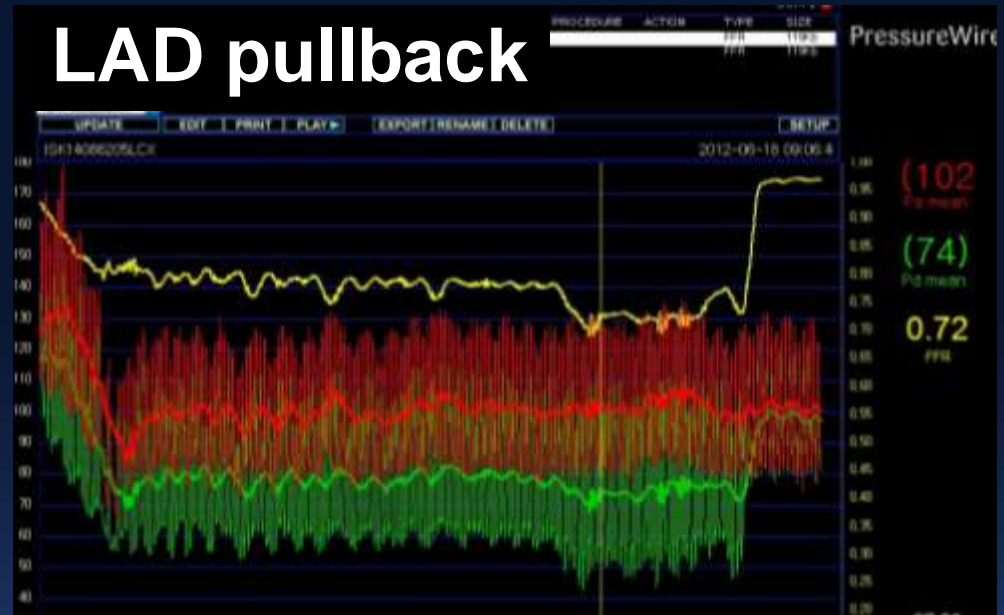
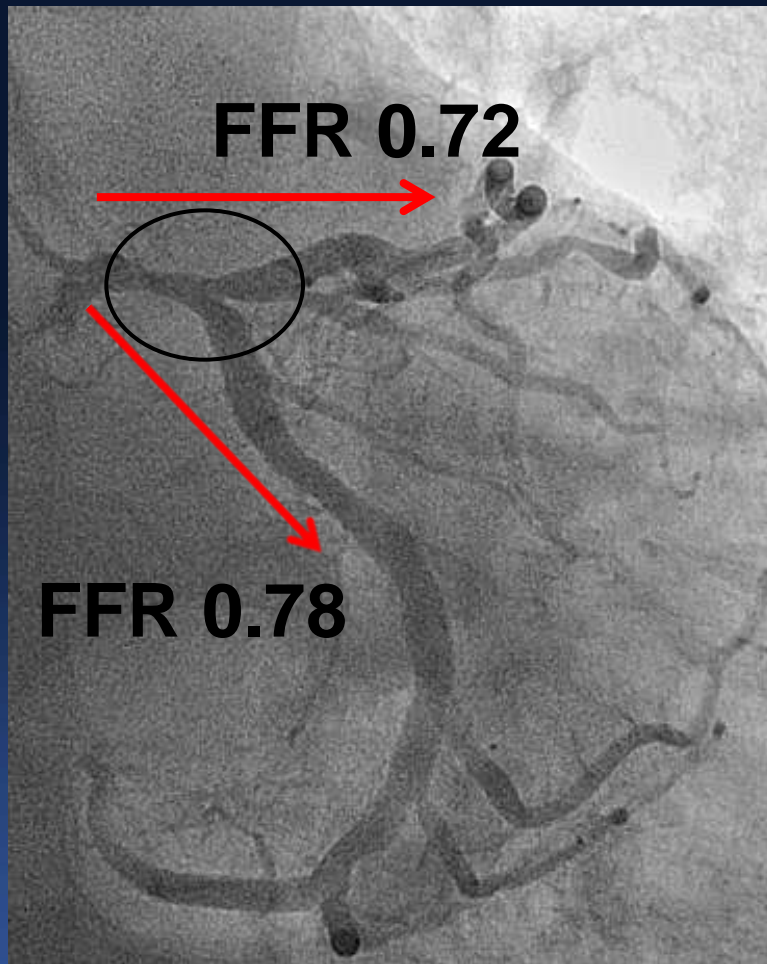
Treat the Distal Stenosis (B) First !



Pure LMCA Disease: Ostial/Shaft

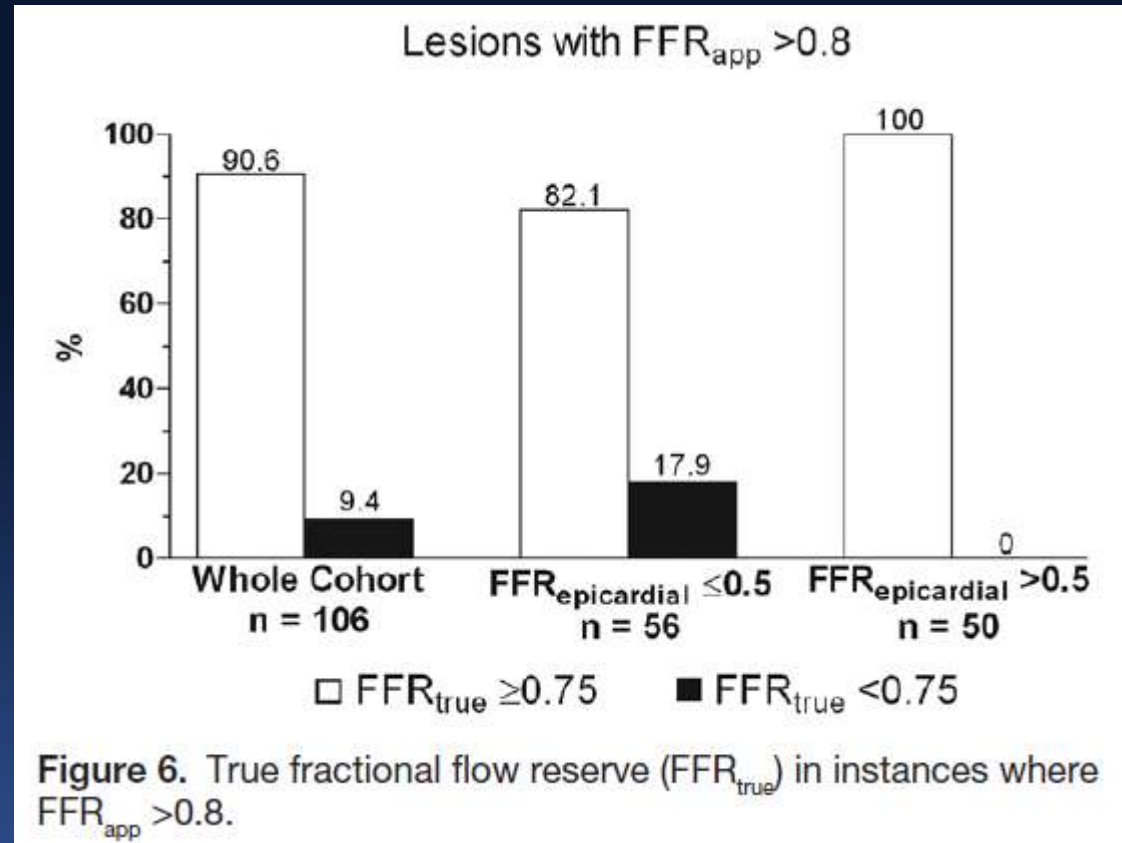


Bifurcation treated as a 'Complex'



Definitely, Treat!

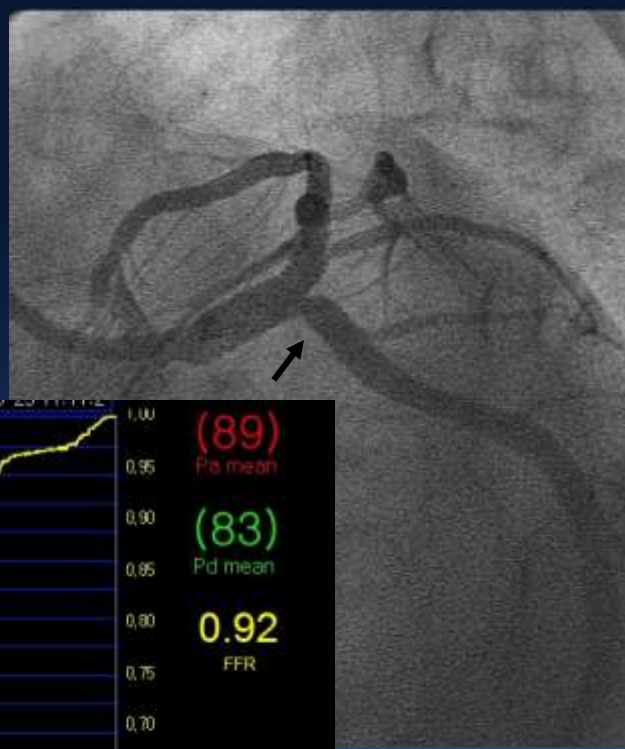
Impact of Distal Stenosis on LM FFR



Clinically relevant effect of distal LAD stenosis on LM-FFR occurs only when the stenosis is proximal and very severe (composite FFR of LM and LAD stenosis < 0.5)

SB Optimization

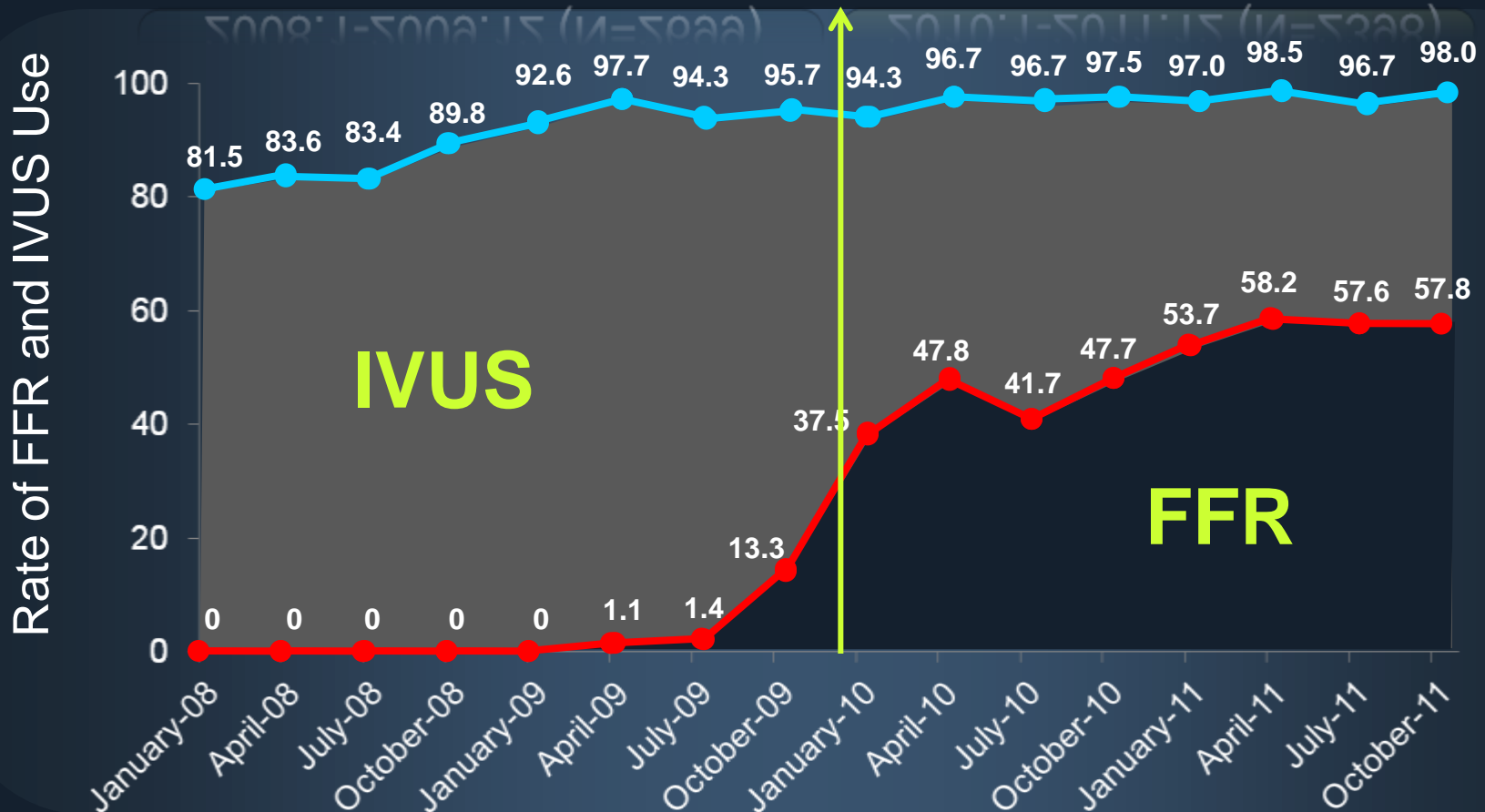
After Single Stent Cross-Over



Impact of Routine Use of FFR on PCI Outcomes

Before Routine Use of FFR
2008.1-2009.12 (N=2699)

After Routine Use of FFR
2010.1-2011.12 (N=2398)



Park et al. EHJ 2013;34:3353-61

Impact of Routine Use of FFR on PCI Outcomes

Stent Length (mm)



Stent Number



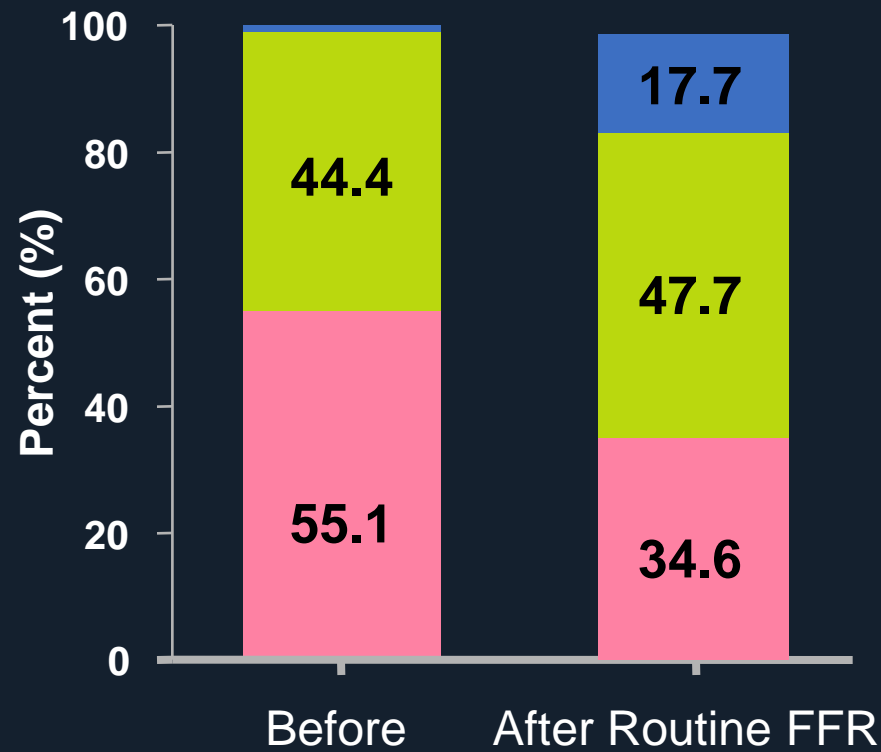
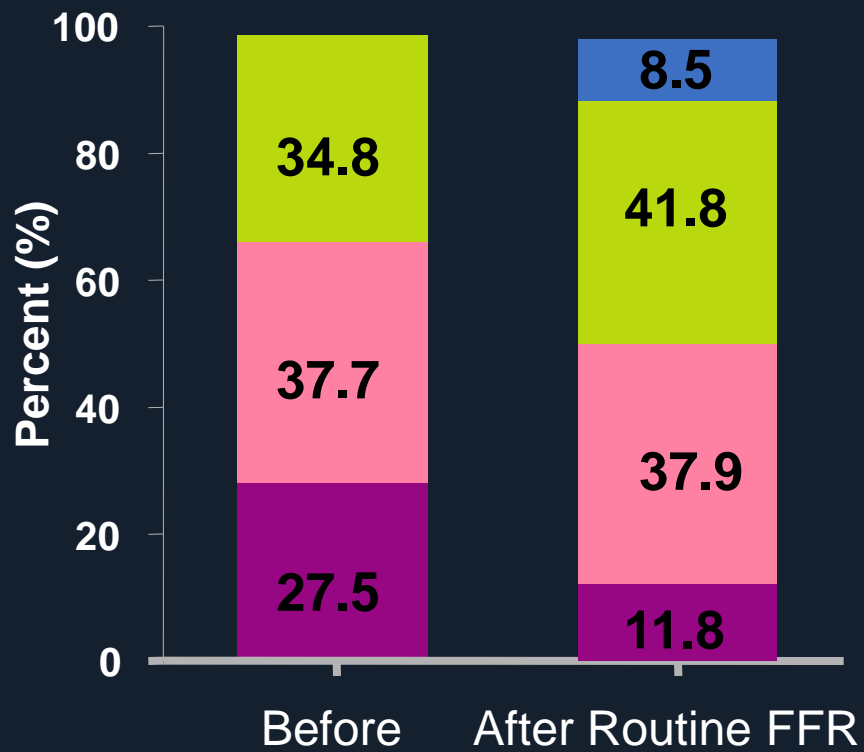
- Before Routine Use of FFR
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Routine Use of FFR

- 0 vessel treated
- 1 vessel treated
- 2 vessel treated
- 3 vessel treated

Three Vessel Disease

Two Vessel Disease

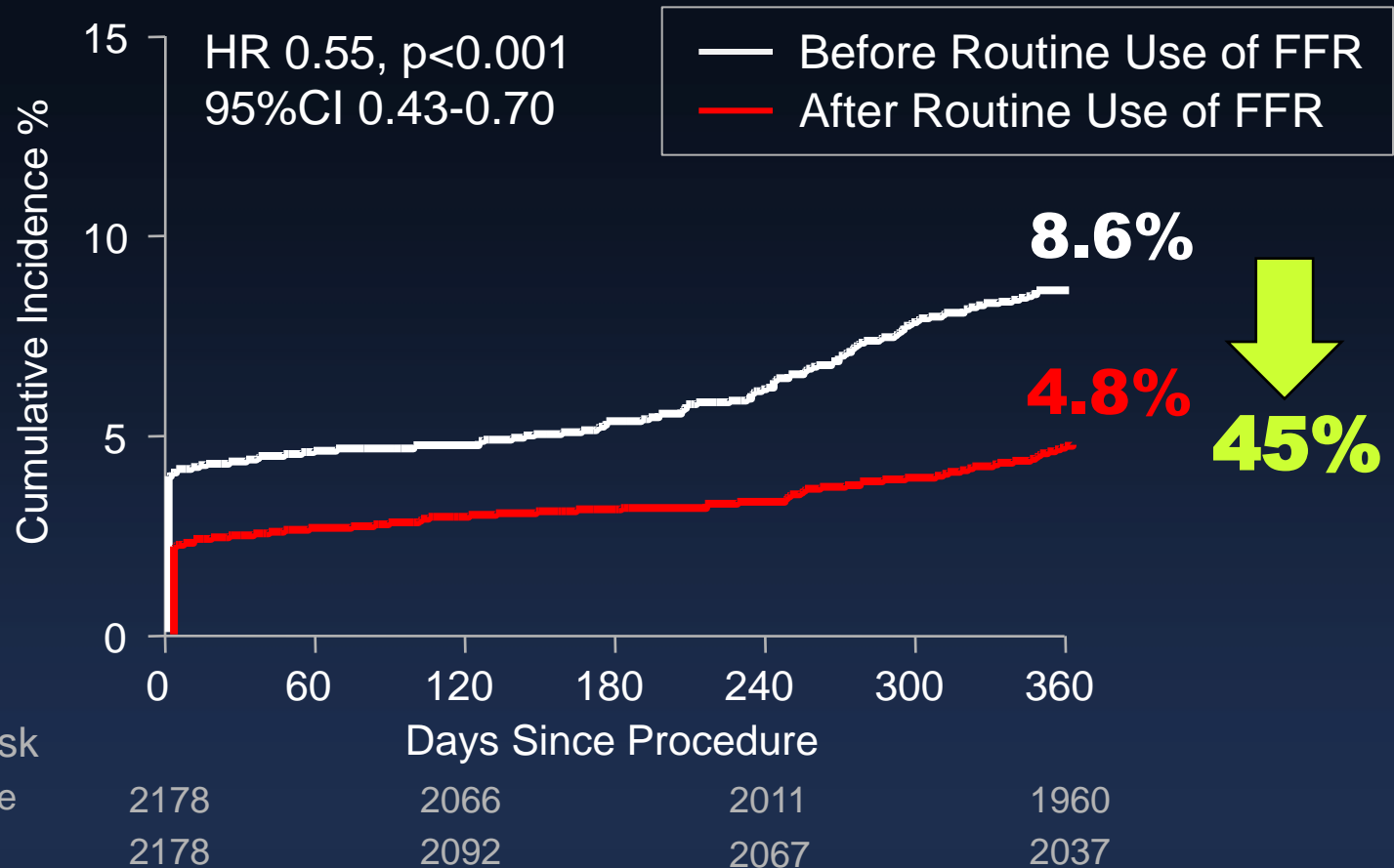


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Primary Endpoint

(Death, MI, Repeat Revascularization)

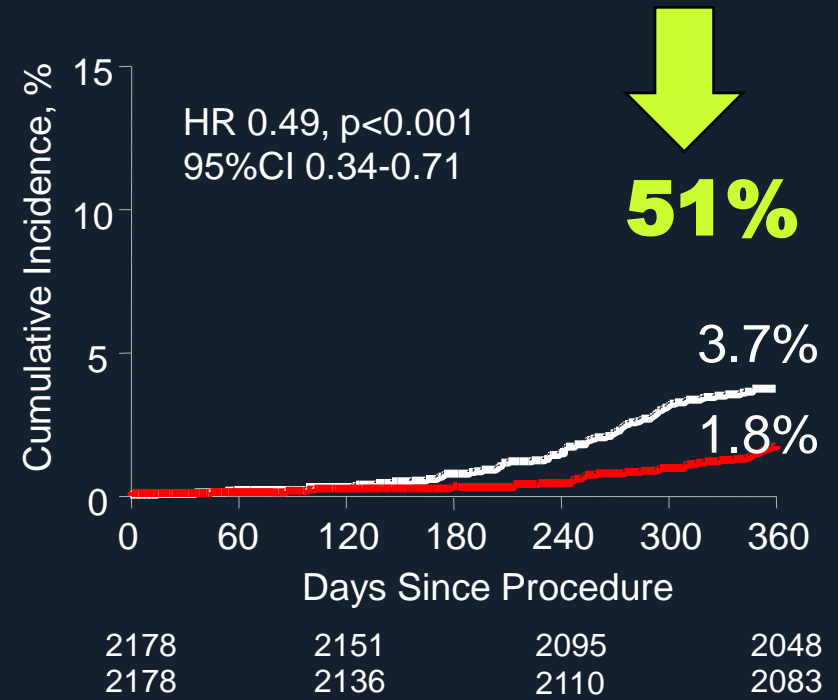
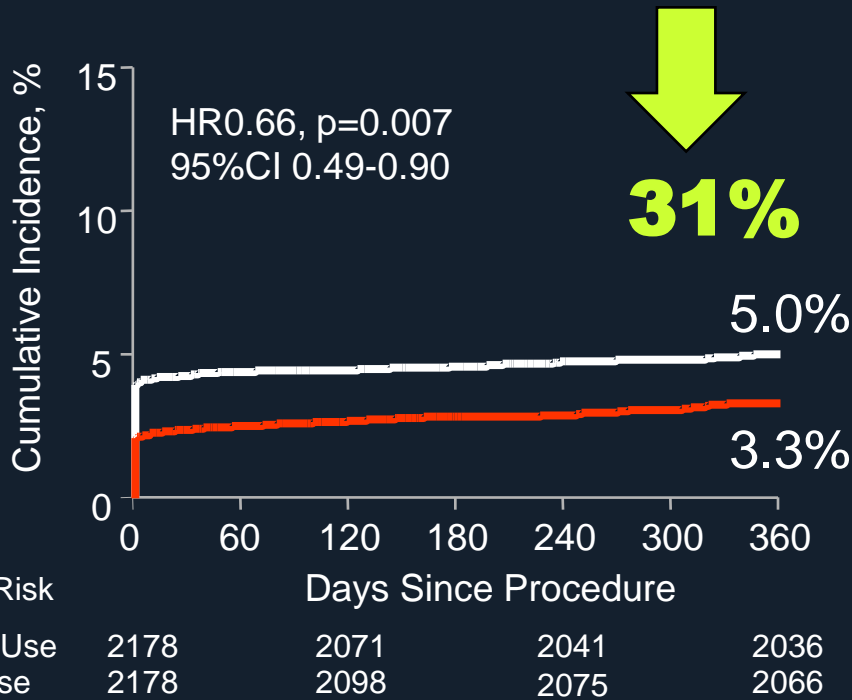


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Death, MI

Repeat Revascularization

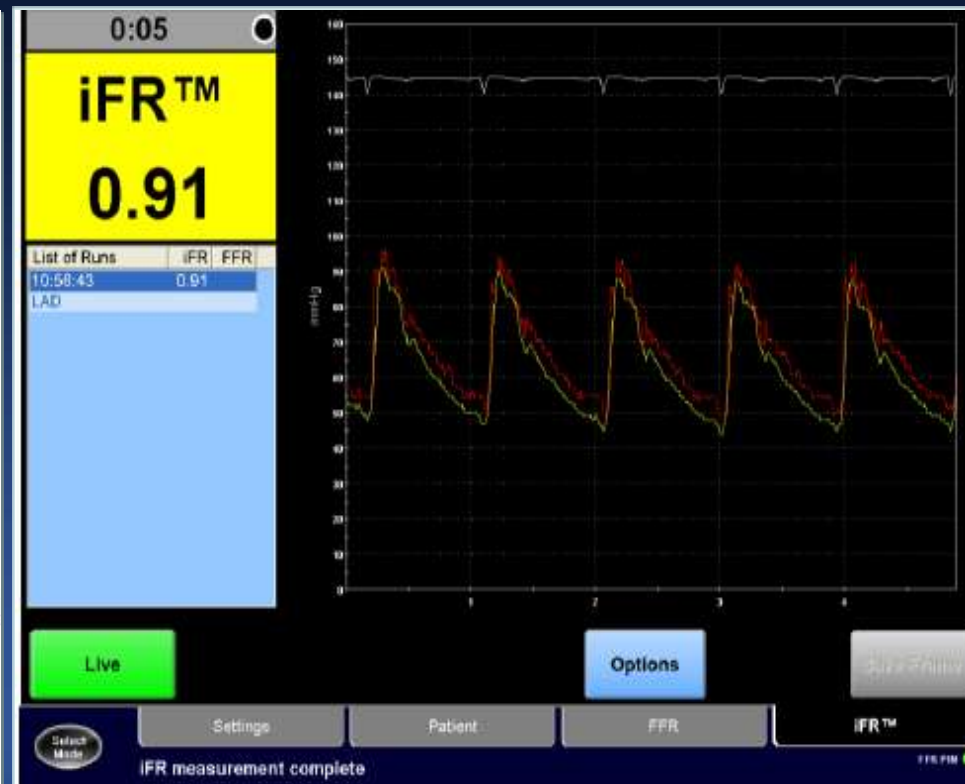
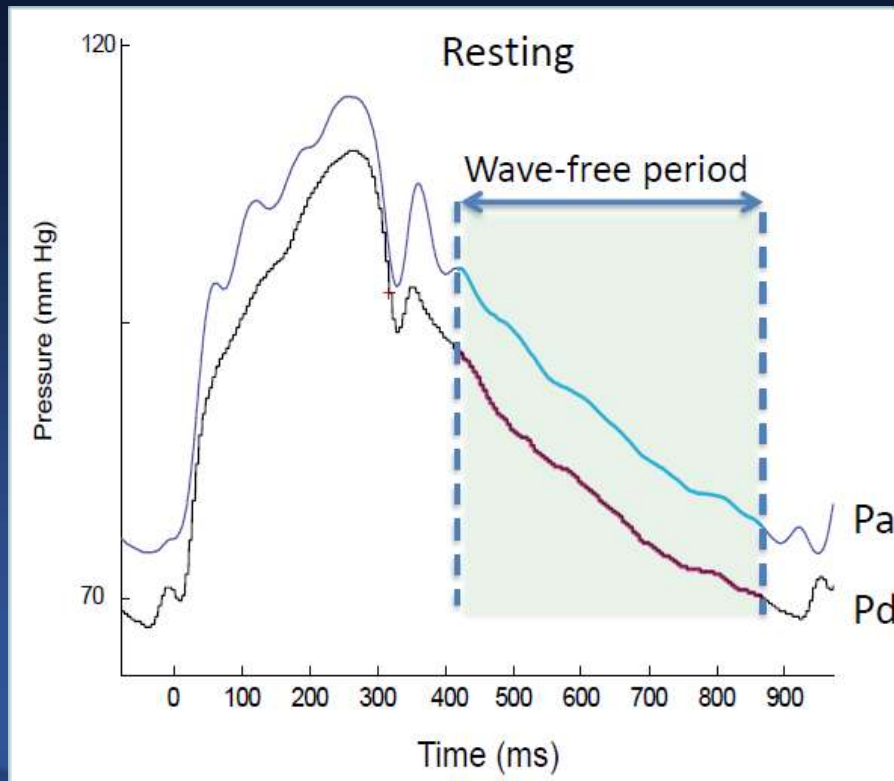


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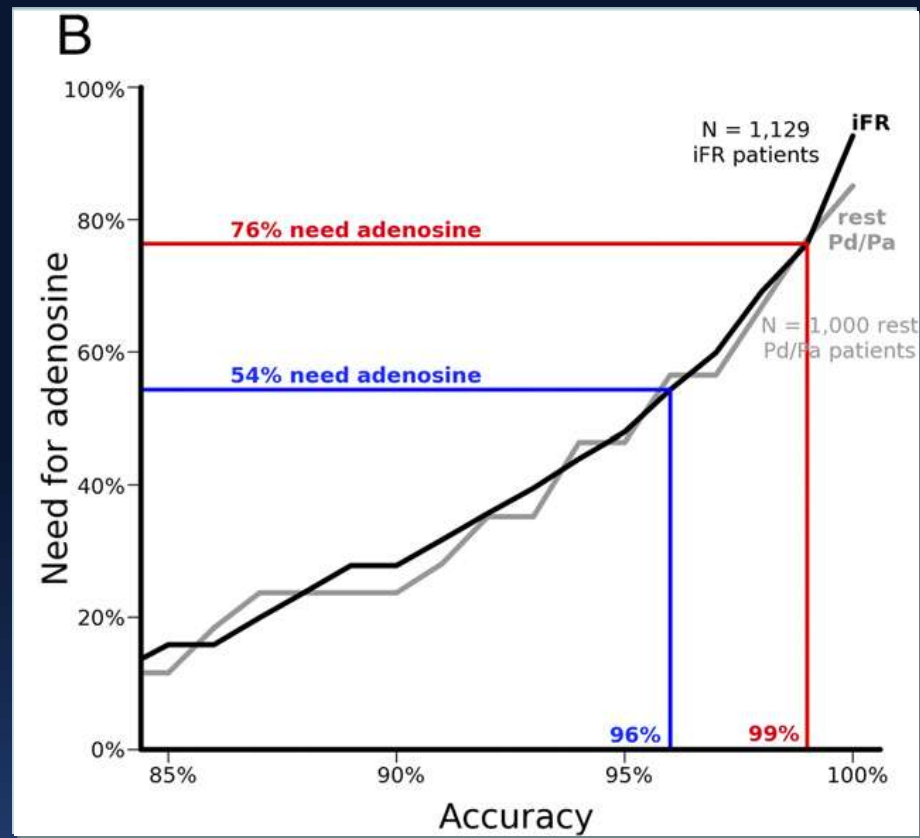
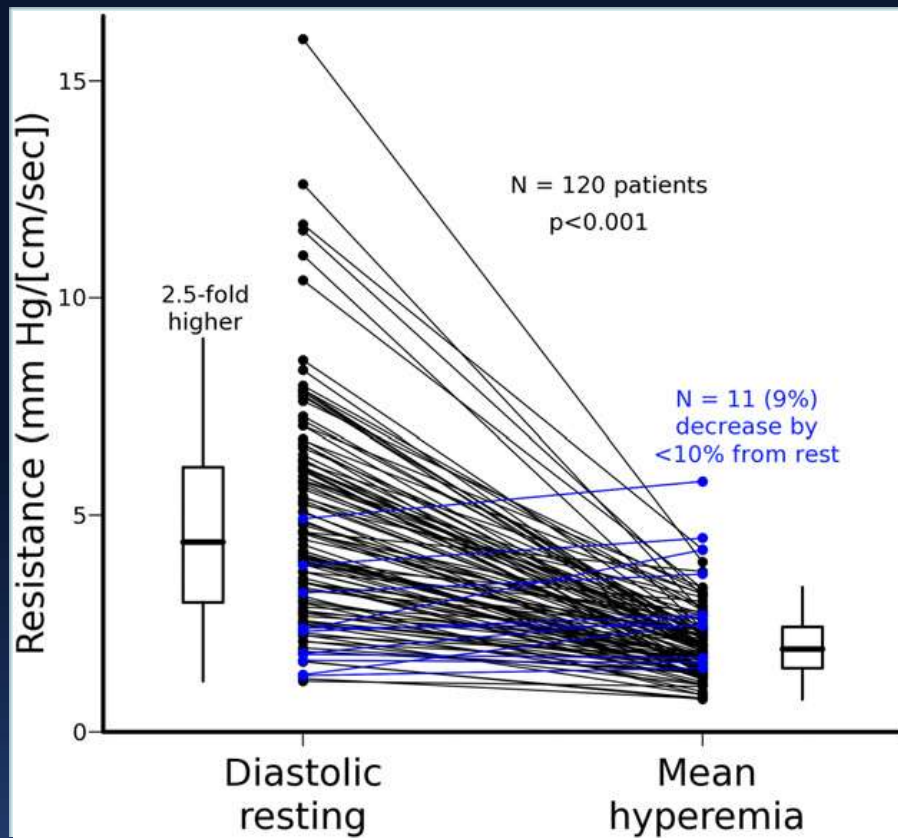
Instantaneous Wave-free Ratio (iFR)

Instantaneous Wave-free Ratio

- Adenosine-free index, the instantaneous PG across stenosis
- By physiologically increased diastolic flow, resting myocardial resistance may equal mean hyperemic resistance



Sen et al. JACC 2012

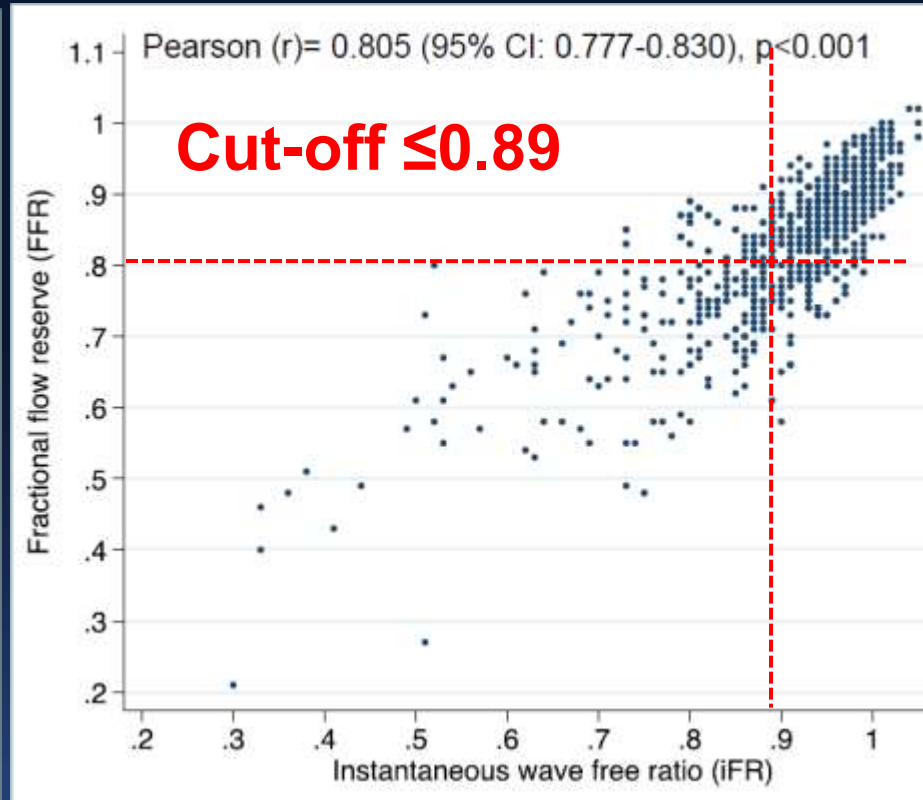
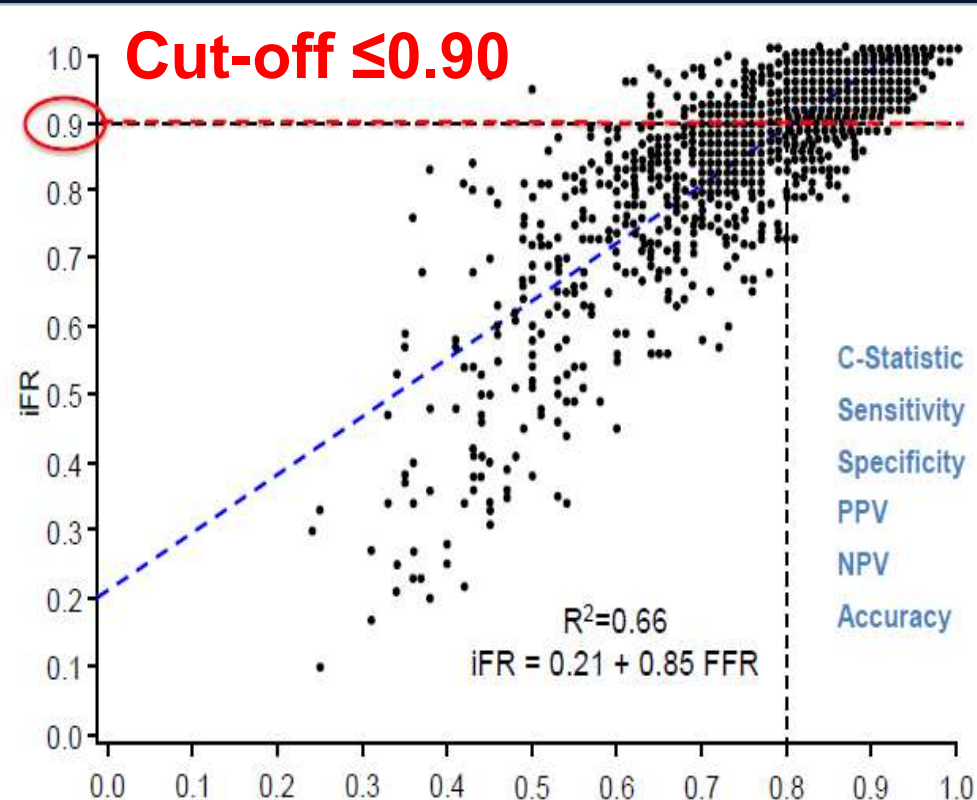


- Diastolic resting resistance consistently exceeds mean hyperemic resistance (on average 2.5 times higher)
- iFR rarely improves the accuracy compared to rest Pd/Pa (relative distal pressure averaged over the whole cycle)
- iFR offers a biased estimate of FFR

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RESOLVE

ADVISE II



Sensitivity 78%
Specificity 82%
Positive PV 85%
Negative PV 73%
Accuracy 80%

Sensitivity 73%
Specificity 87%
Positive PV 77%
Negative PV 85%
Accuracy 82%

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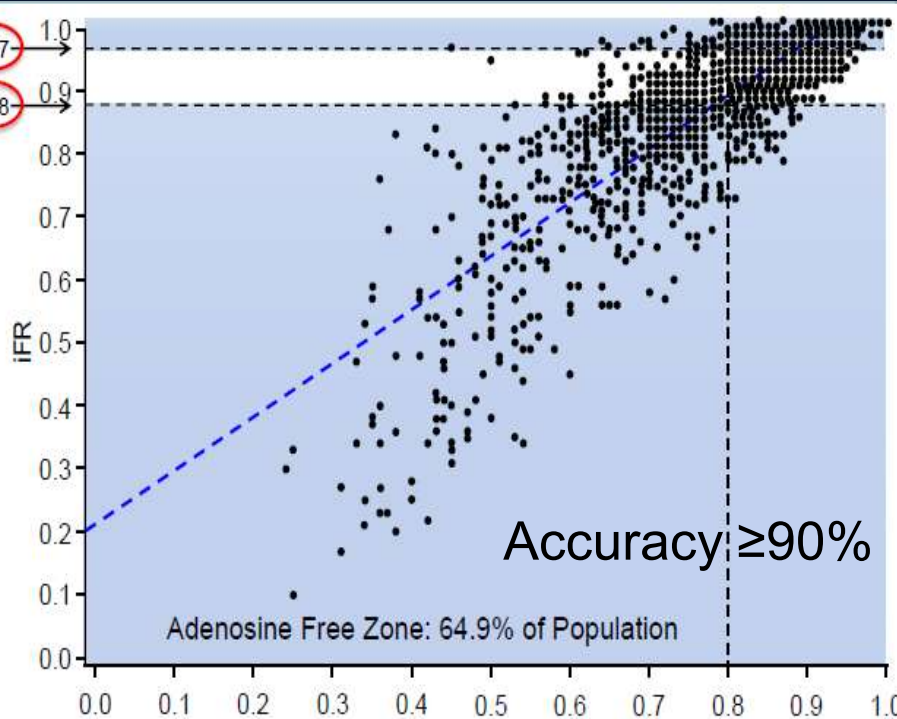
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Hybrid iFR/FFR Approach

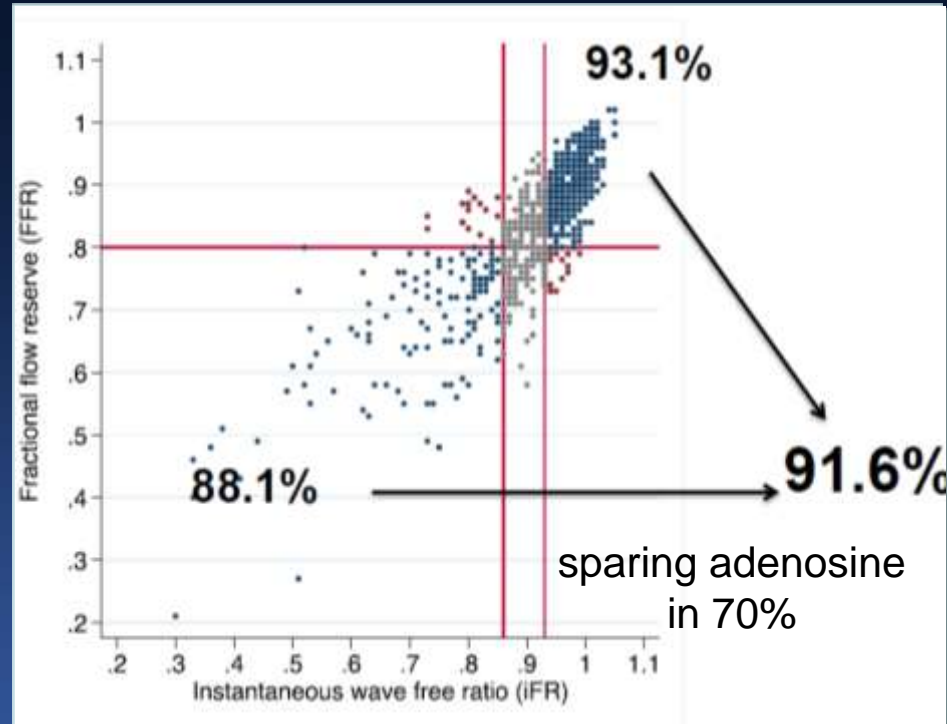
RESOLVE

Adenosine requiring range
iFR 0.88-0.97



ADVISE II

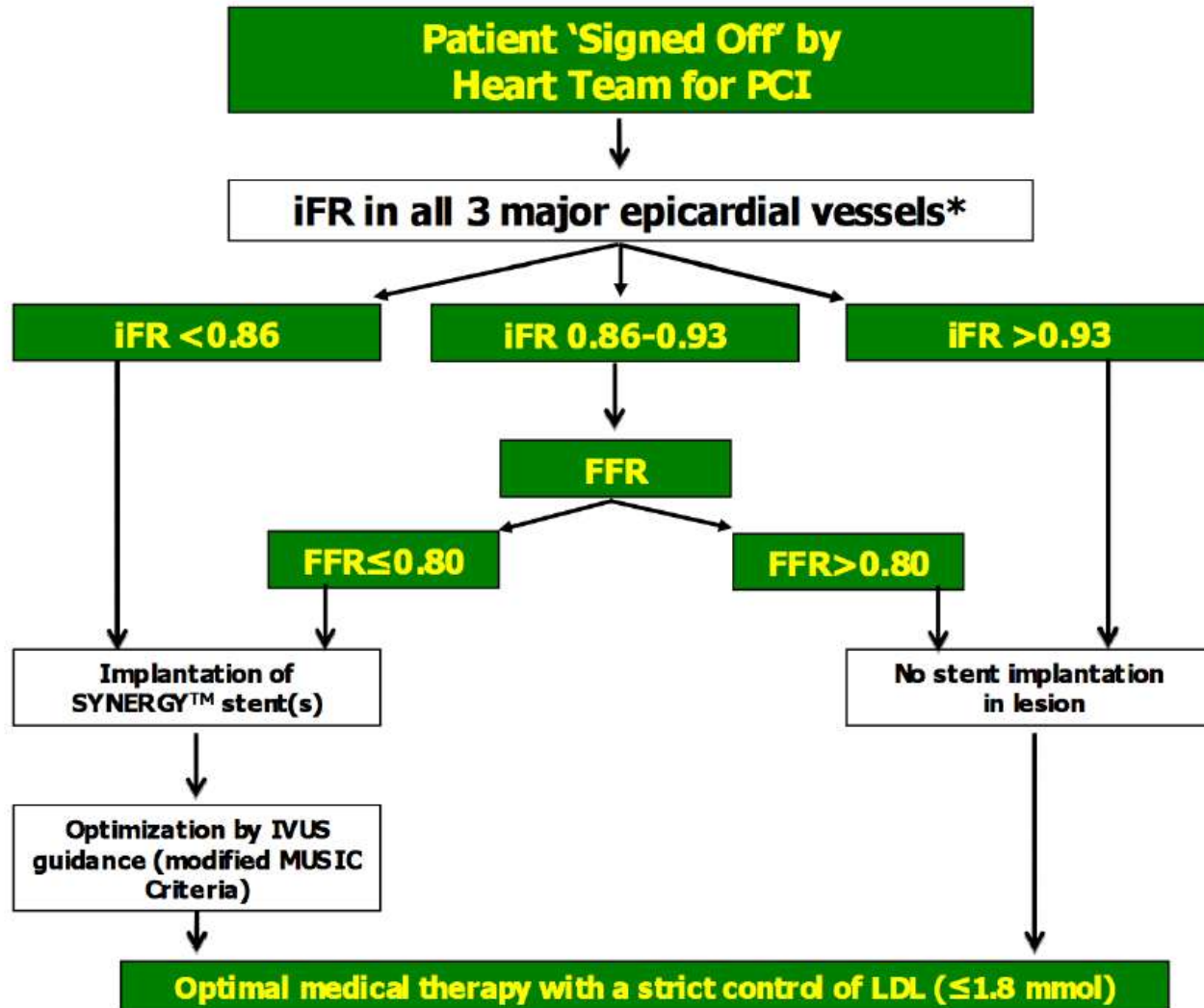
Adenosine requiring range
iFR 0.86-0.93



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iFR Clinical Implementation SYNTAX II



**FFR with adenosine, iFR/FFR in side branches, all at discretion of the operator*

Summary

- FFR is a gold standard to assess ischemia and cannot be replaced by any single IVUS parameter
- FFR-guided PCI improves clinical outcomes
- Despite the fundamental pitfall of iFR (flow \neq pressure without maximal hyperemia), hybrid iFR /FFR approach increases the accuracy $>90\%$, sparing adenosine use in $>60\%$. Outcome studies will show if the approach is clinically feasible