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## *Evolution of Multi-Modal Intracoronary Plaque Imaging*



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Higher resolution &  
More spectroscopic possibilities  
make light better for:

- superficial morphological imaging
- NIRS, Raman, etc.

Higher penetration &  
Access to RF signals  
make sound better suited for:

- whole plaque imaging
- palpography, elastography, etc

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### Combined NIR-IVUS Imaging

Laser

Computer with algorithms

Pull-back and rotation device

### Catheter

Single use, 3.2 Fr

Dual modality

Spectroscopy – lipid core plaque

IVUS – plaque structure



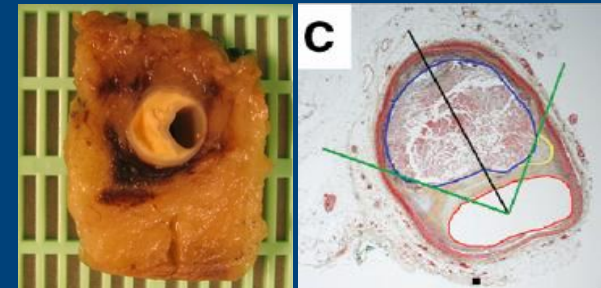
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### Algorithm Calibration

- 4.2 meters of artery from 33 autopsy hearts.
- Lipid Core Plaque (LCP) defined as:
  - Fibroatheroma  $> 200 \mu\text{m}$  thick
  - $> 60$  deg angular extent
  - Cap  $< 450 \mu\text{m}$  thick



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- The algorithm prospectively identified **Lipid Core Plaques** with an **ROC area of 0.80** (95% CI: 0.76-0.85).
- The **lipid core burden index** (LCBI) detected the presence or absence of any fibroatheroma with an **AUC of 0.86** (95% CI: 0.81-0.91).

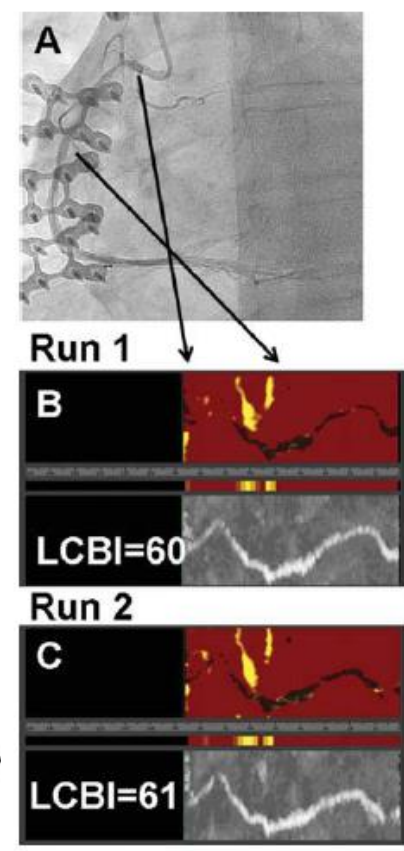
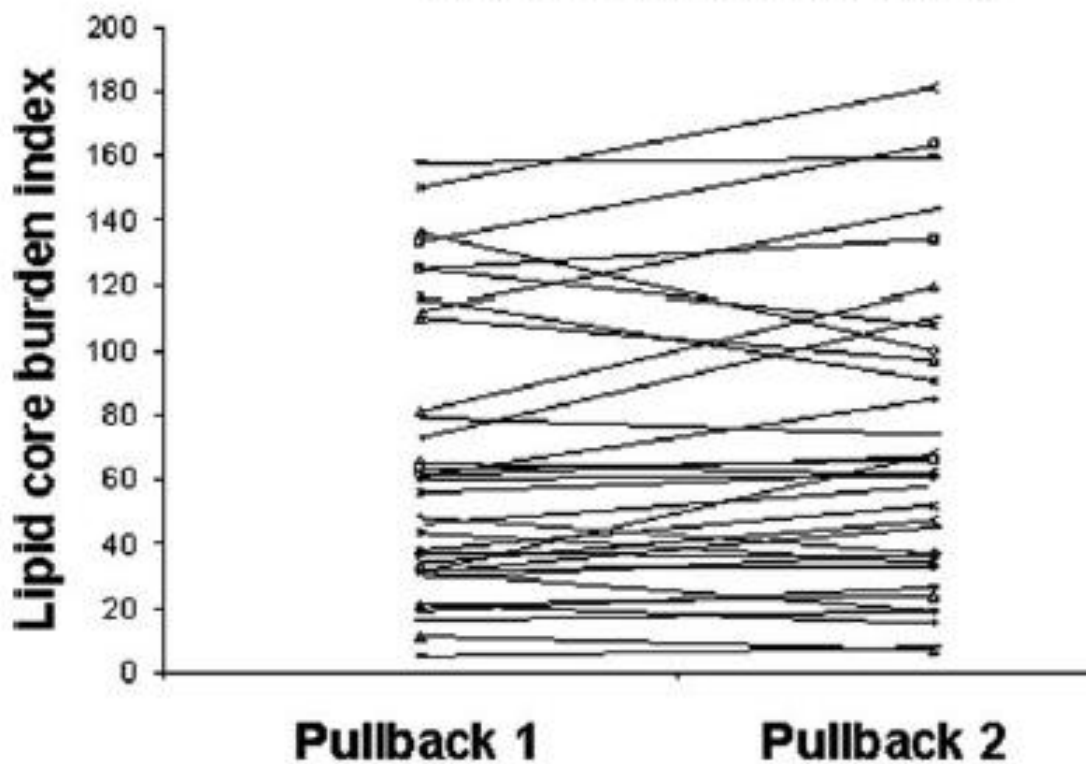


# Nir-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS) Reproducibility In-Vivo

Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions 76:359–365 (2010)

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Line Plot of LCBI Run 1 vs. Run 2



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### Reproducibility of Near-Infrared Spectroscopy for the Detection of Lipid Core Coronary Plaques and Observed Changes After Coronary

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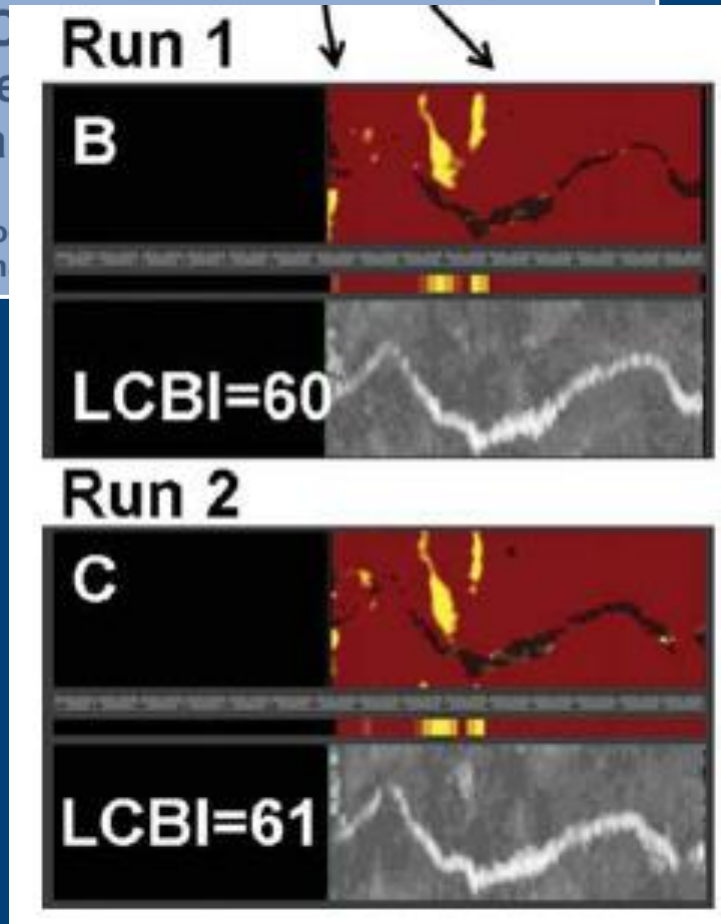
	Mean number of LCPs pullback 1	Mean number of pullback 2	Median number of LCPs pullback 1	Median number of LCPs pullback 2	Spearman's rho for number of LCPs ( <i>P</i> -value)	Intraclass correlation coefficient for number of LCPs (95% confidence intervals)
<b>Panel A</b>						
Definition 1	1.06 ± 1.0	0.94 ± 0.9	1	1	0.827	0.756 (0.572, 0.868)
Definition 2	1.61 ± 1.3	1.64 ± 1.0	1	1	0.79	0.774 (0.6, 0.878)
Definition 3	1.94 ± 1.1	1.97 ± 1.0	2	2	0.698	0.72 (0.516, 0.847)
Definition 4	0.61 ± 0.7	0.61 ± 0.8	0.5	0	0.75	0.814 (0.666, 0.901)
Definition 5	1.17 ± 0.9	1.08 ± 0.9	1	1	0.871	0.883 (0.783, 0.939)
Definition 6	1.47 ± 0.9	1.47 ± 0.8	1	1	0.717	0.666 (0.436, 0.815)
Definition 7	0.25 ± 0.4	0.28 ± 0.5	0	0	0.709	0.689 (0.469, 0.828)
Definition 8	0.67 ± 0.8	0.72 ± 0.7	1	1	0.761	0.788 (0.623, 0.886)
Definition 9	1.06 ± 0.9	1.17 ± 0.8	1	1	0.732	0.773 (0.598, 0.877)
<b>Panel B</b>						
Definition 1	4.75 ± 5.4	4.58 ± 5.1	4	3	0.892	0.882 (0.781, 0.938)
Definition 2	10.36 ± 9.3	10.28 ± 8	9	8	0.853	0.771 (0.595, 0.876)
Definition 3	17.03 ± 11.8	17.25 ± 12.3	15.5	16.5	0.886	0.821 (0.677, 0.905)
Definition 4	3.94 ± 5.36	3.61 ± 5.23	2	0	0.817	0.913 (0.836, 0.955)
Definition 5	9.25 ± 8.6	8.89 ± 8.1	8	8	0.82	0.764 (0.585, 0.873)
Definition 6	16.14 ± 11.5	15.69 ± 12.6	15.5	15	0.717	0.804 (0.649, 0.895)
Definition 7	2.44 ± 4.5	2.81 ± 5.2	0	0	0.835	0.868 (0.757, 0.931)
Definition 8	6.47 ± 7.4	7.31 ± 8.2	6	6	0.794	0.793 (0.631, 0.889)
Definition 9	13.72 ± 12	14.36 ± 13	13	14	0.845	0.811 (0.66, 0.899)

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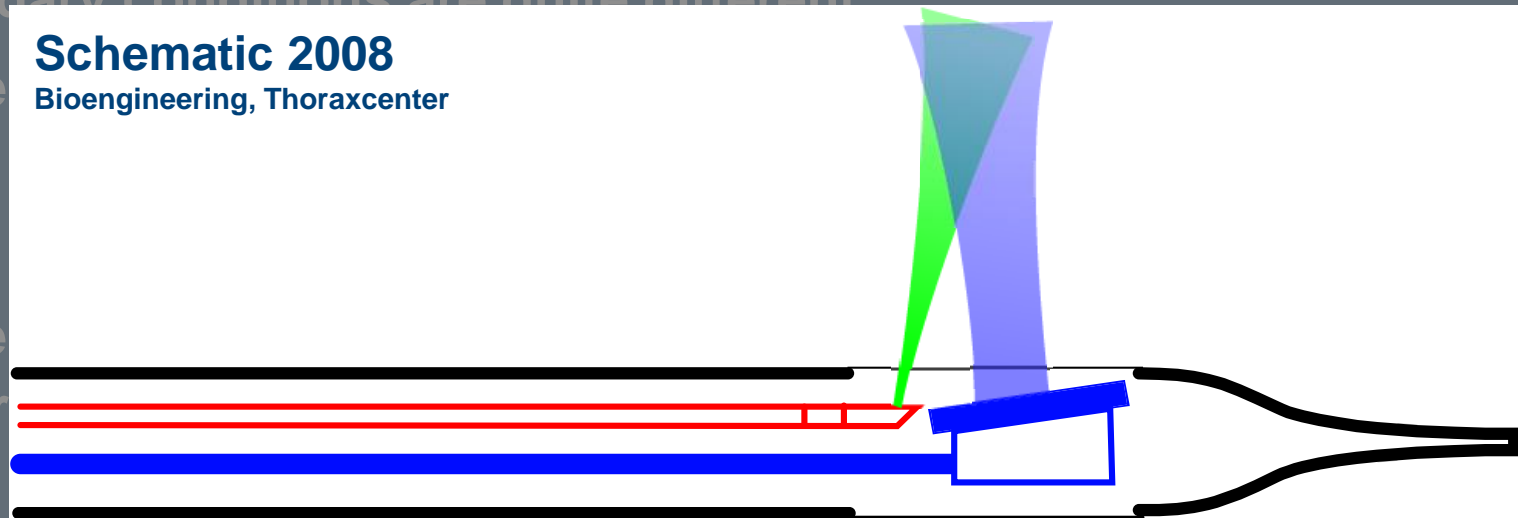
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Reproducibility of Near-Infrared Spectroscopy  
for the Detection of Lipid Core  
and Observed Change  
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# Nir-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS) Combination with Ultrasound



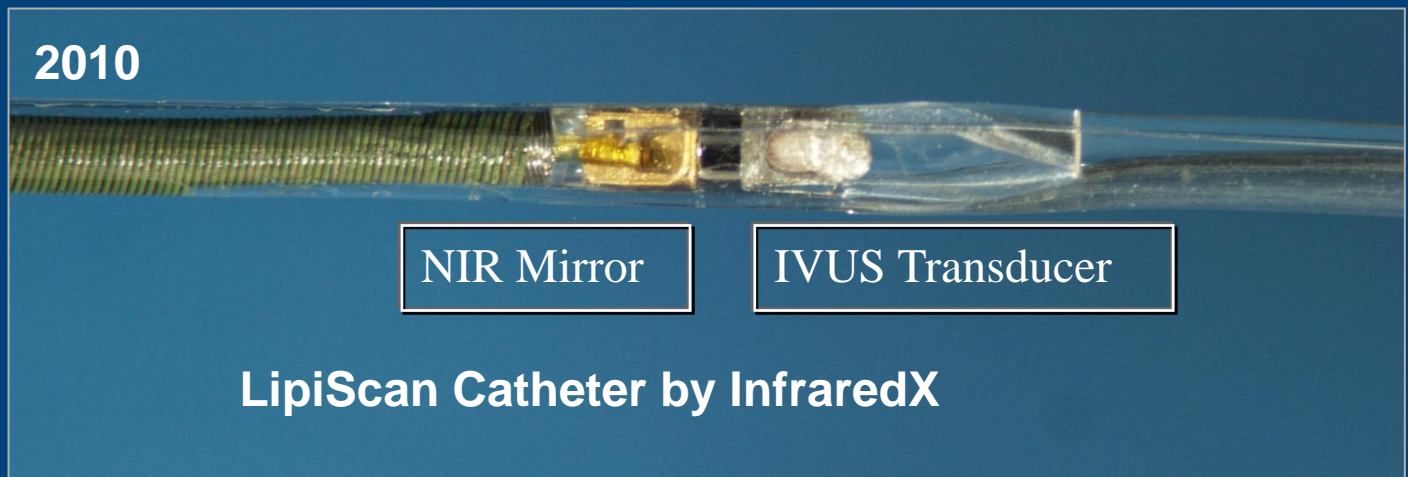
Both sound and light are suited for tissue characterization.

Combination catheters might offer the benefits of both

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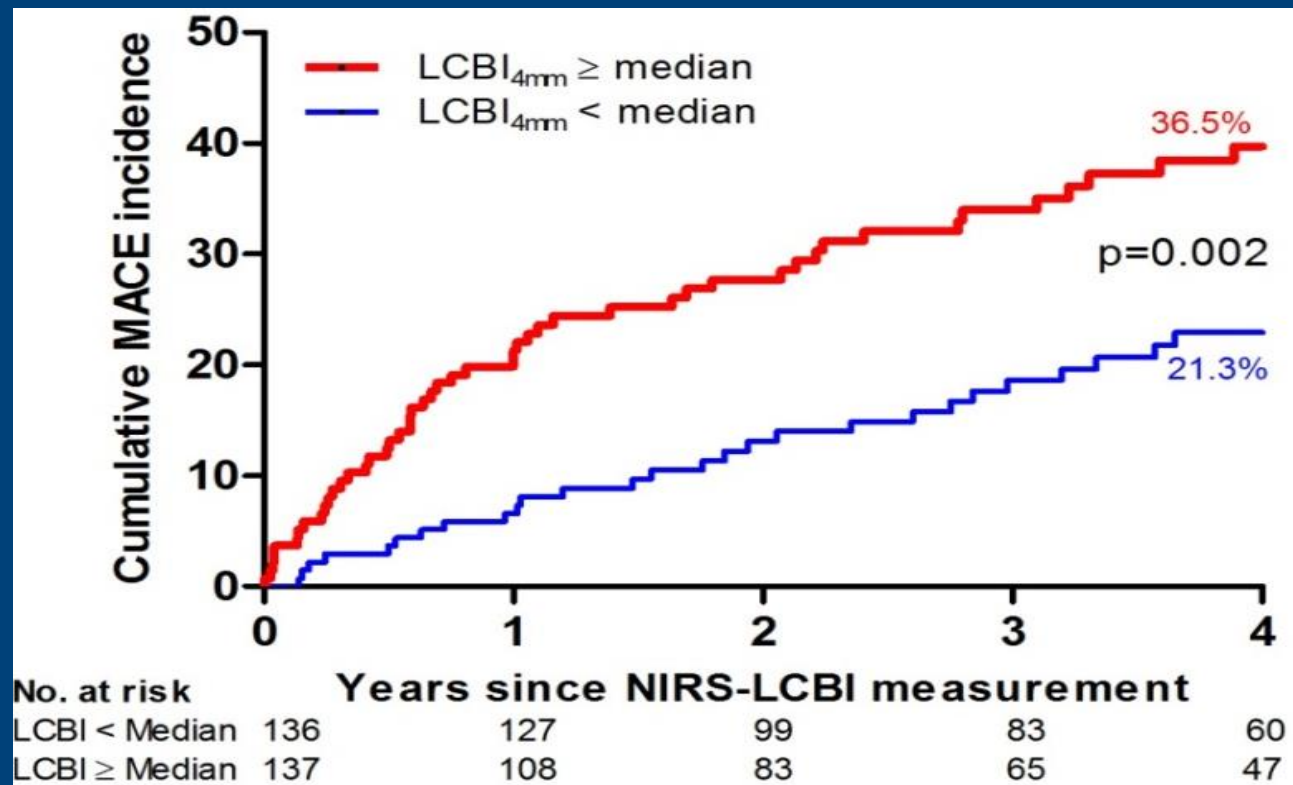
## Combination with Ultrasound

- Catheter: 3.2Fr, 6Fr compatible, 0.014" guidewire
  - NIRS: Same as LipiScan™, cleared by FDA Apr '08
  - Ultrasound: 40MHz, 16 fps
  - Pullback speed: 0.5mm/sec
  - Single catheter & pullback, thru blood
- simultaneous, co-registered NIR & IVUS data



# Nir-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS)

NIRS derived Lipid Core Burden Index (LCBI) predicts major adverse cardiovascular events in pts with coronary artery disease during long-term follow-up



MACE major adverse cardiovascular event  
NIRS Near Infrared Spectroscopy  
LCBI Lipid Core Burden Index

Schuurman et al. EHJ 2017

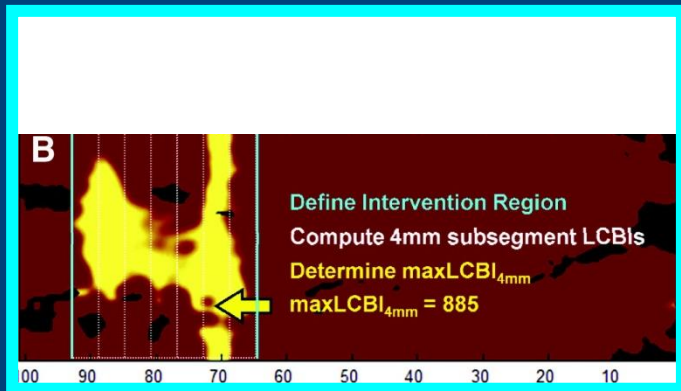


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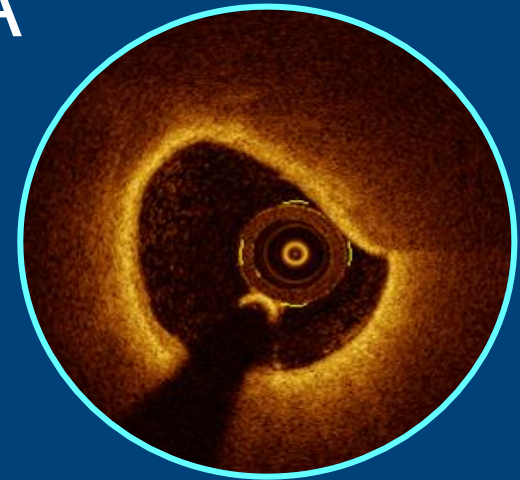
RR 12 (3.3-48)

Max. LCBI  $\geq 500$



OR 10 (3.7-29)

TCFA



Goldstein J et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv 2011.

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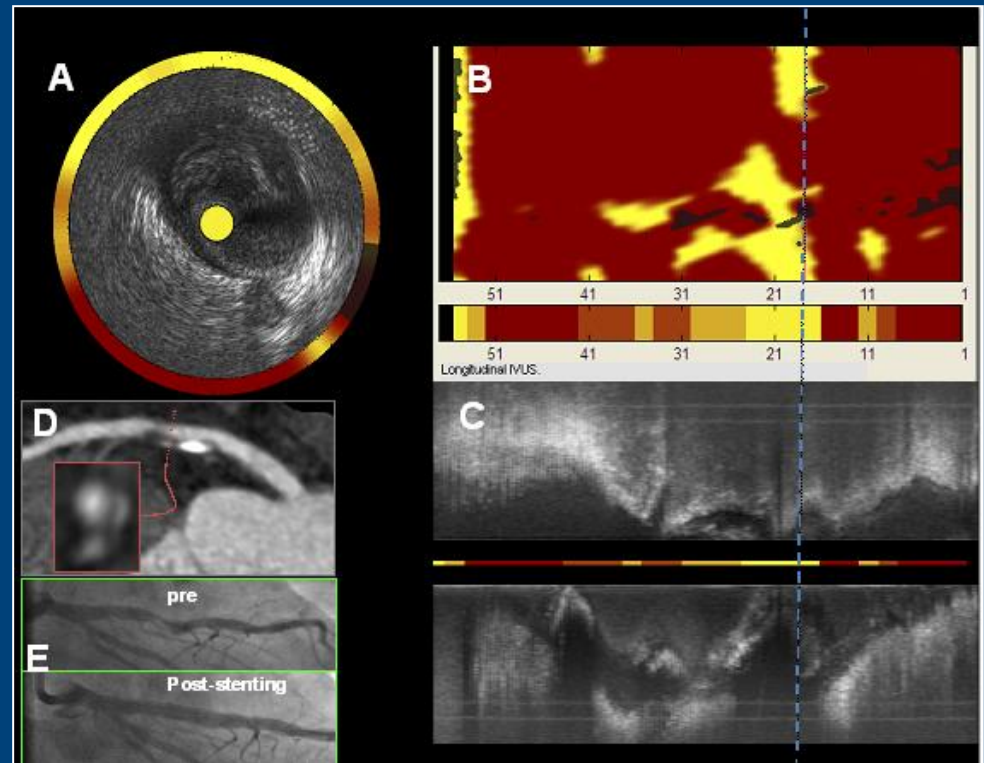
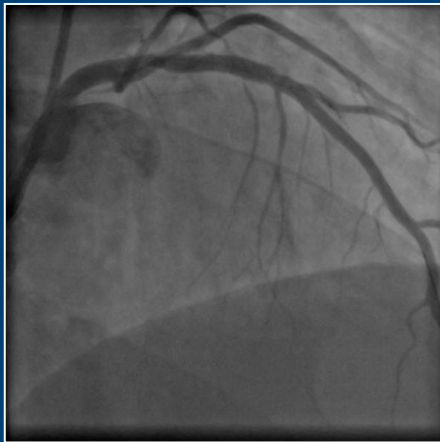


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#### First-in-Man Clinical Use of Combined Near-Infrared Spectroscopy and Intravascular Ultrasound

A Potential Key to Predict Distal Embolization and No-Reflow?

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Rotterdam, the Netherlands; and Burlington, Massachusetts

Schultz et al; JACC 2010

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### PROSPECTIVE CLINICAL TRIALS

- LIPID RICH PLAQUE STUDY
- PROSPECT II STUDY

# Multi-Modality Intracoronary Plaque Imaging Photoacoustics

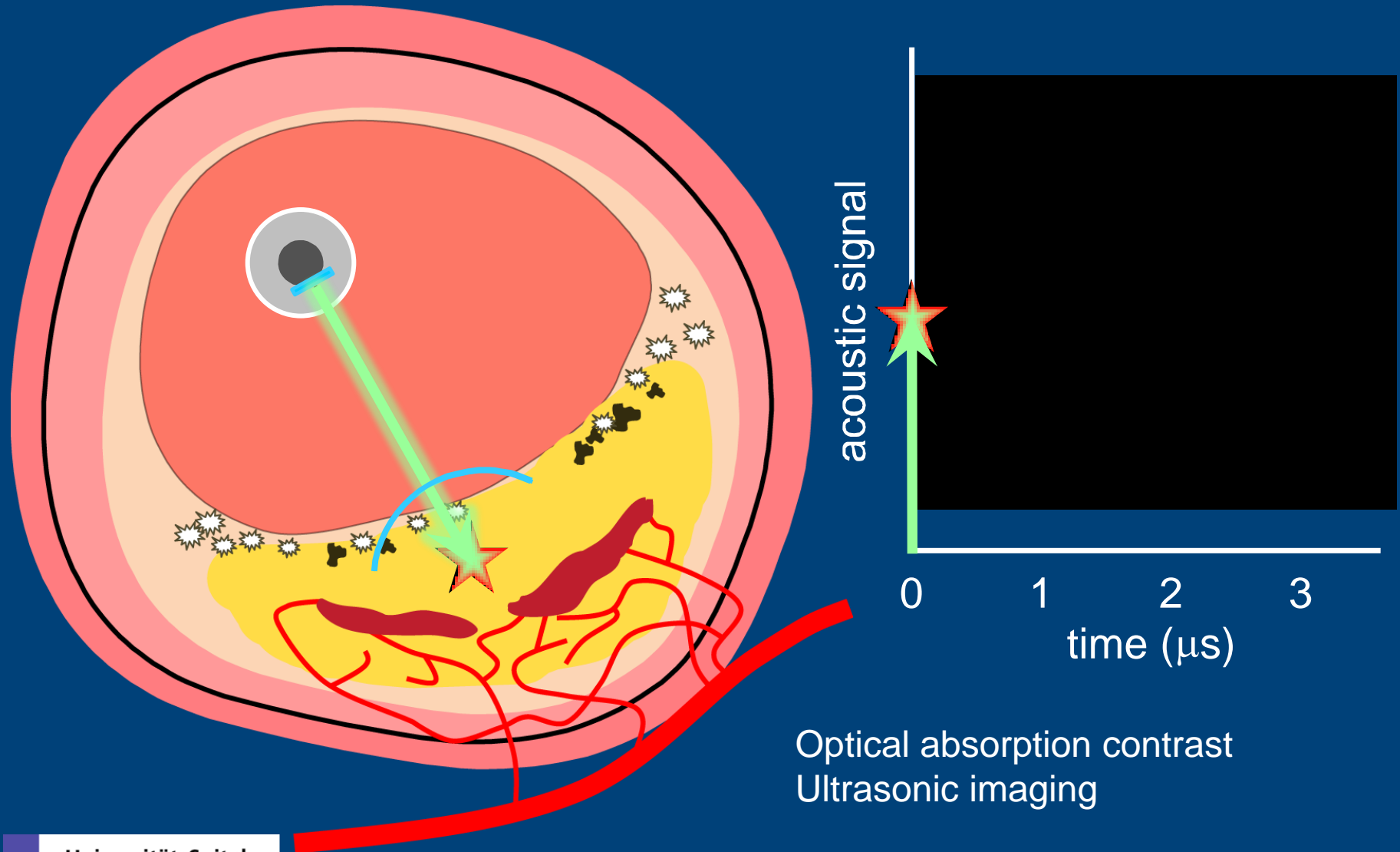






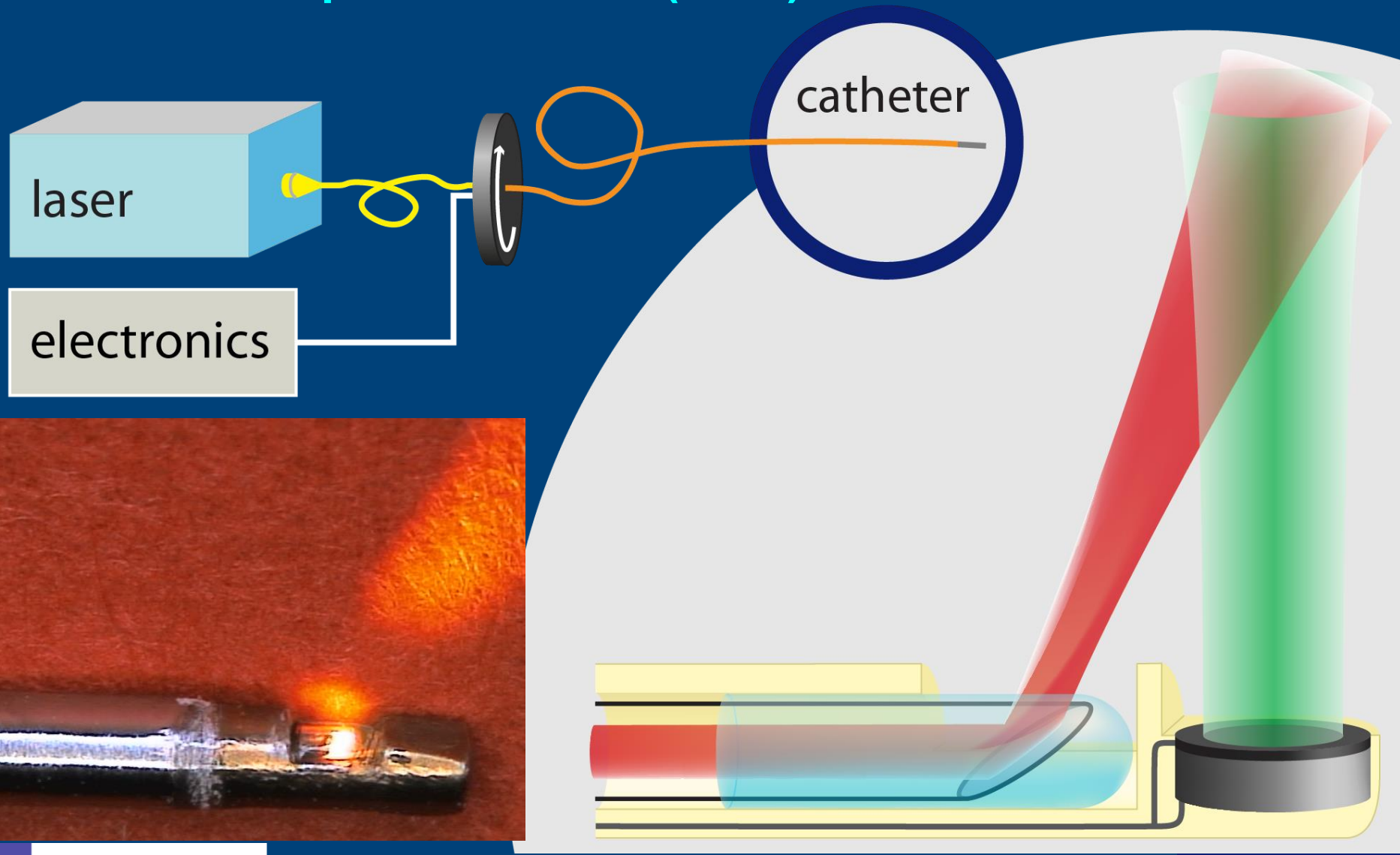
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## Principle of intravascular photoacoustic imaging



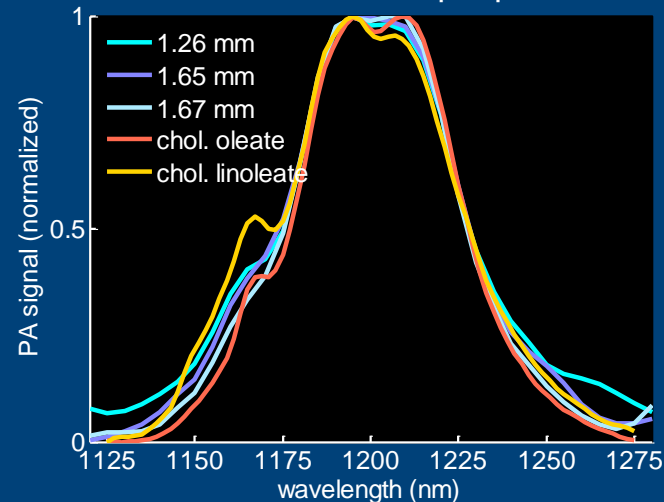
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## Intravascular photoacoustic (IVPA) catheter

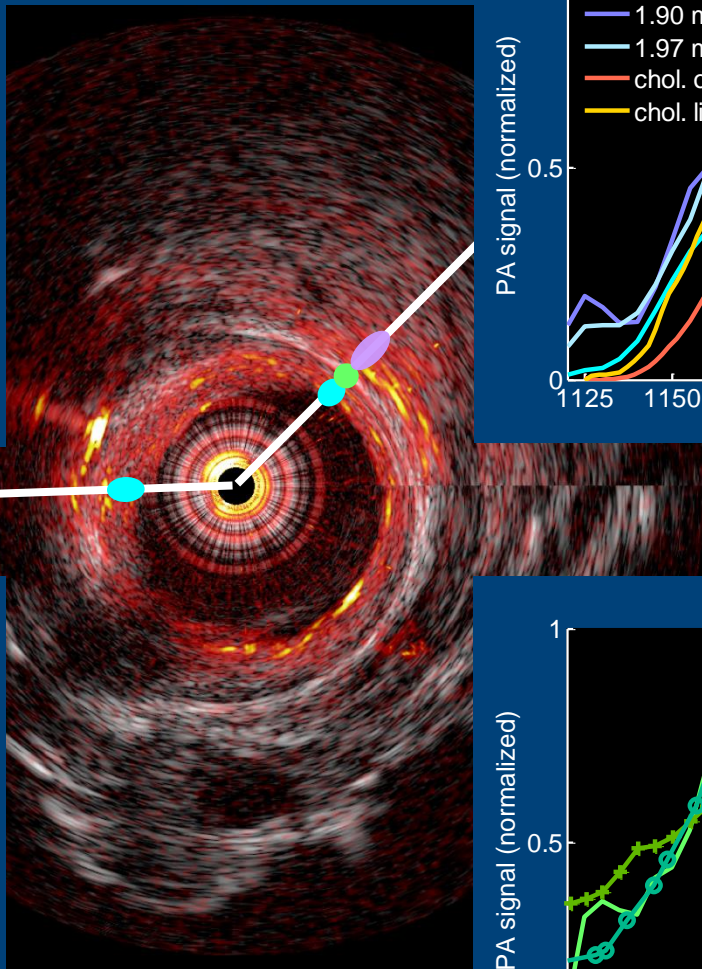


# IVPA spectra of human atherosclerotic coronaries

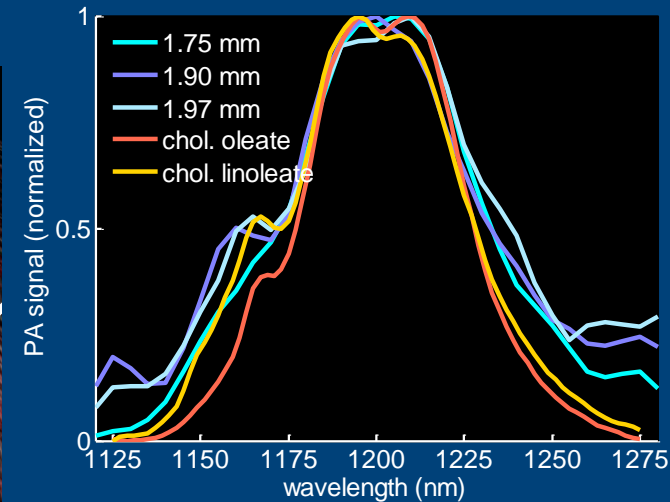
### Atherosclerotic plaque



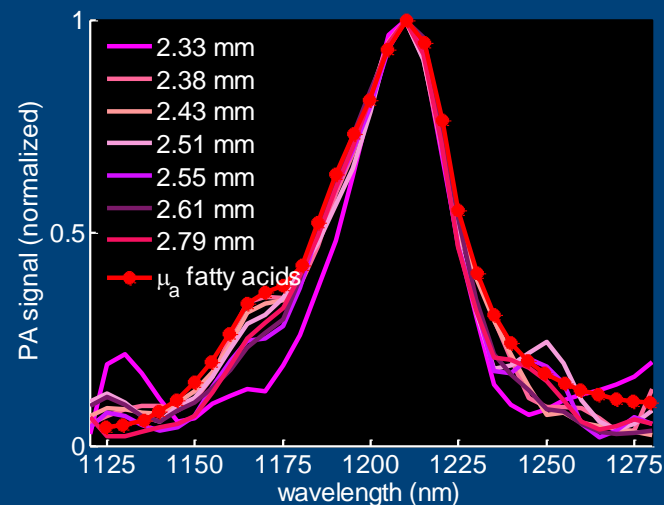
### IVPA imaging around 1.2 $\mu\text{m}$



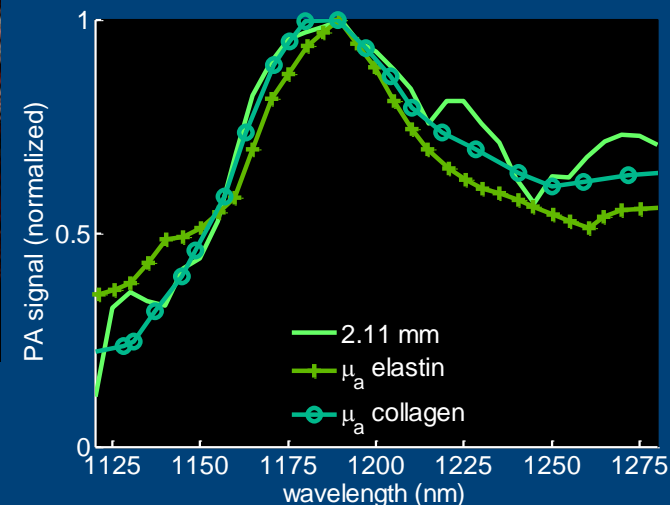
### Diseased intima



### Peri-adventitia



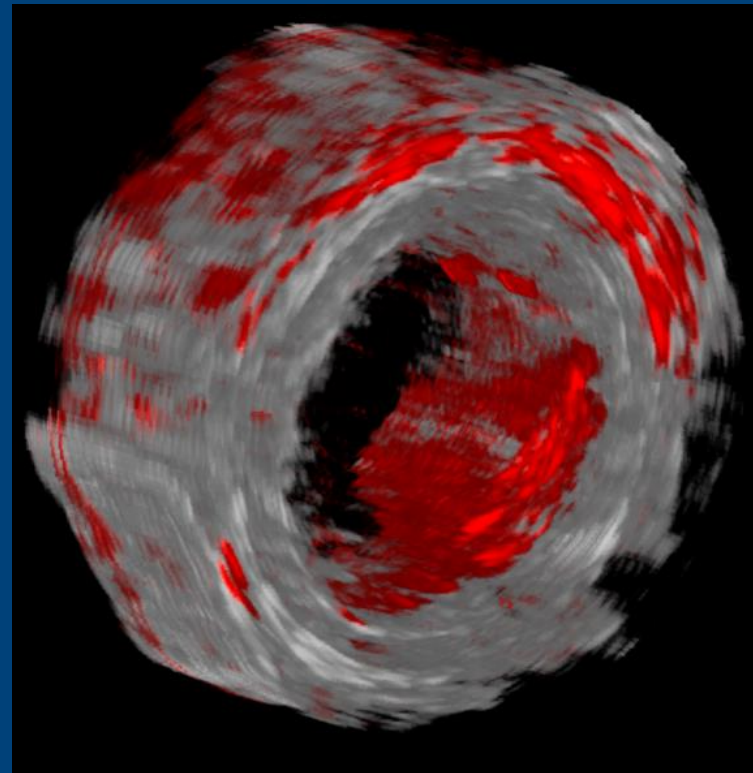
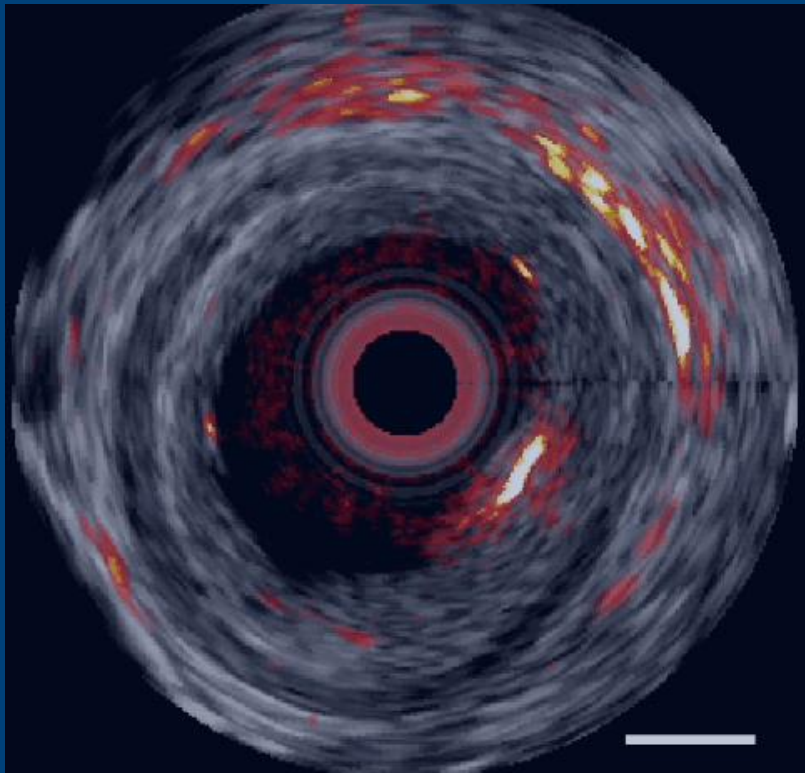
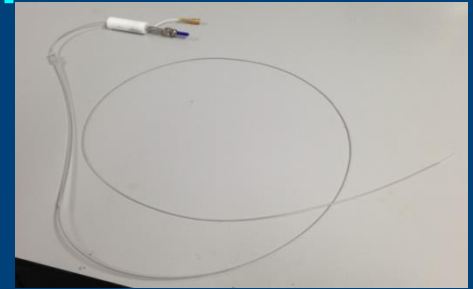
### Adventitia



## IVPA imaging

## Next Steps

Further catheter minimuarization  
IVPA pullback imaging at 20 fps



Human LAD; autopsy sample



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## Hybrid OCT-IVUS



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### Technical Progress

#### 3F Catheter – IVUS and OCT are aligned co-linearly

- Same tissue at same time
- Inherently precise co-registration
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- Facilitates dual-modality measurements (EEL-IVUS, Lumen-OCT)
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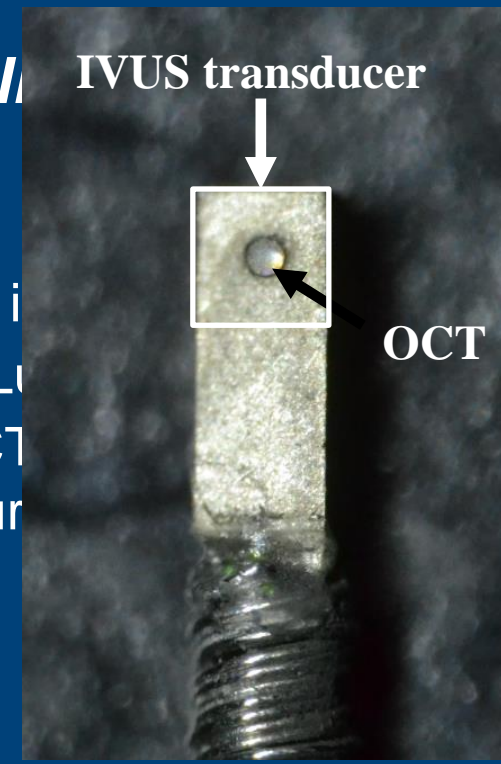
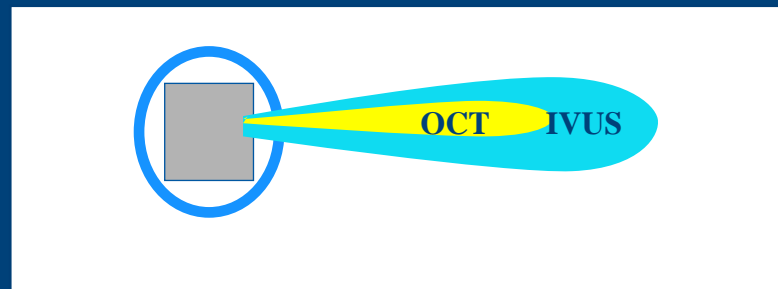
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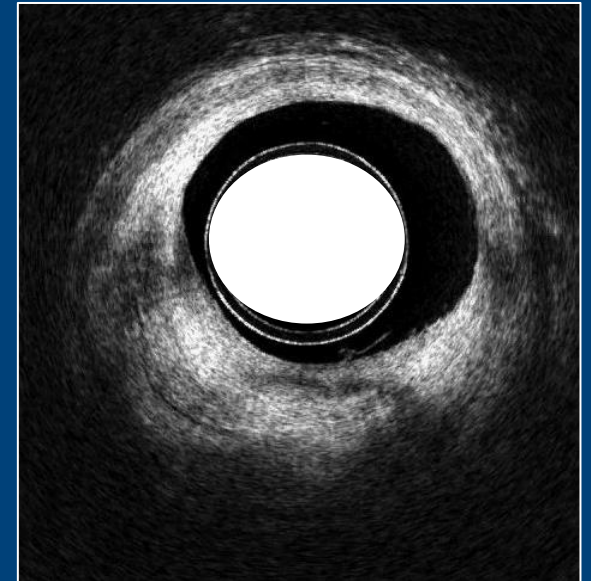
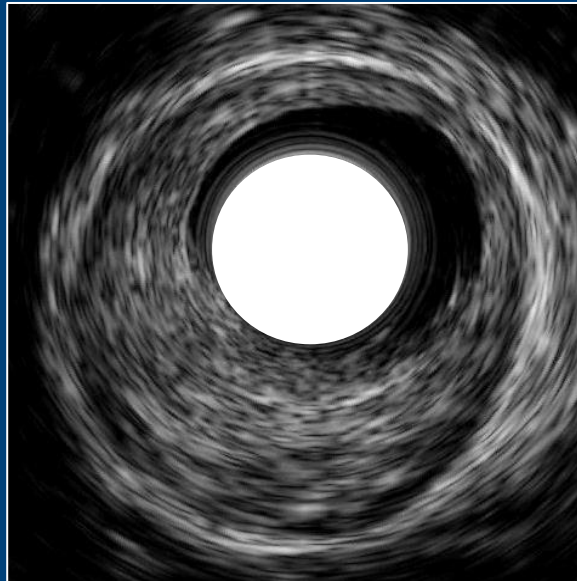
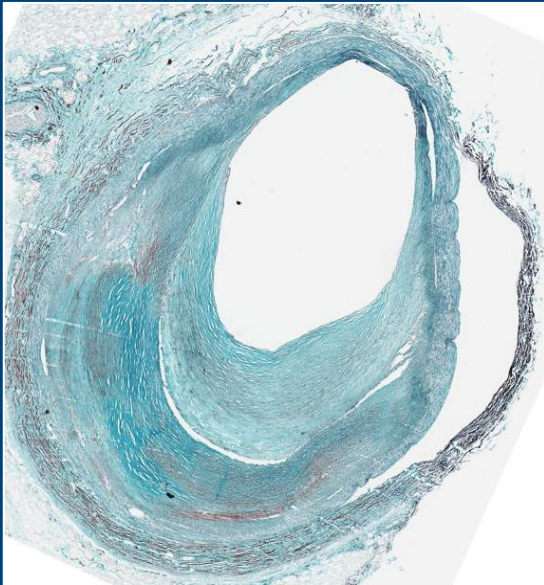
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*Investigational device, under development and not approved in any jurisdiction*

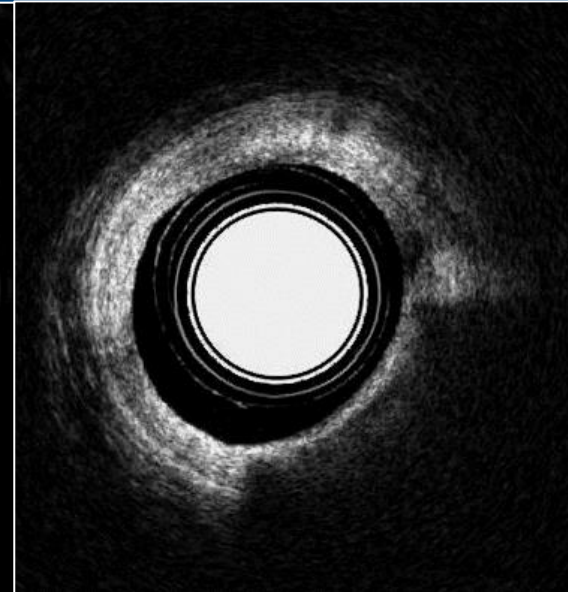
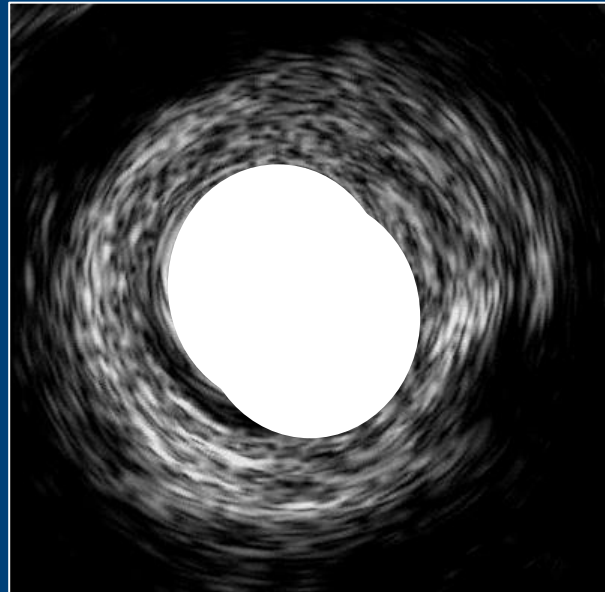
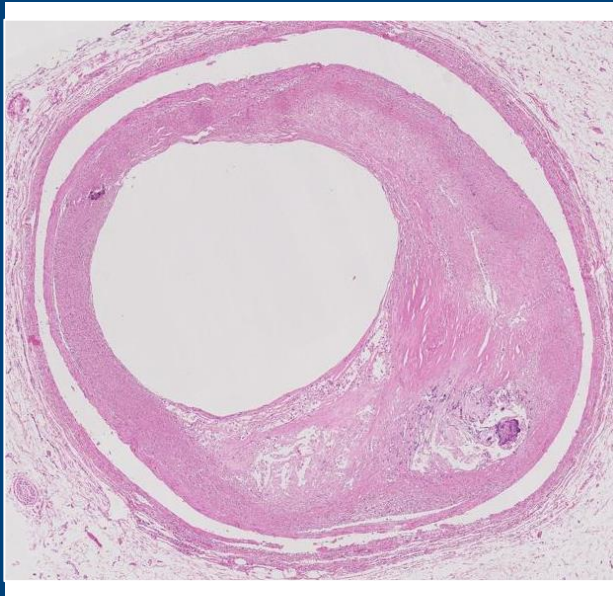
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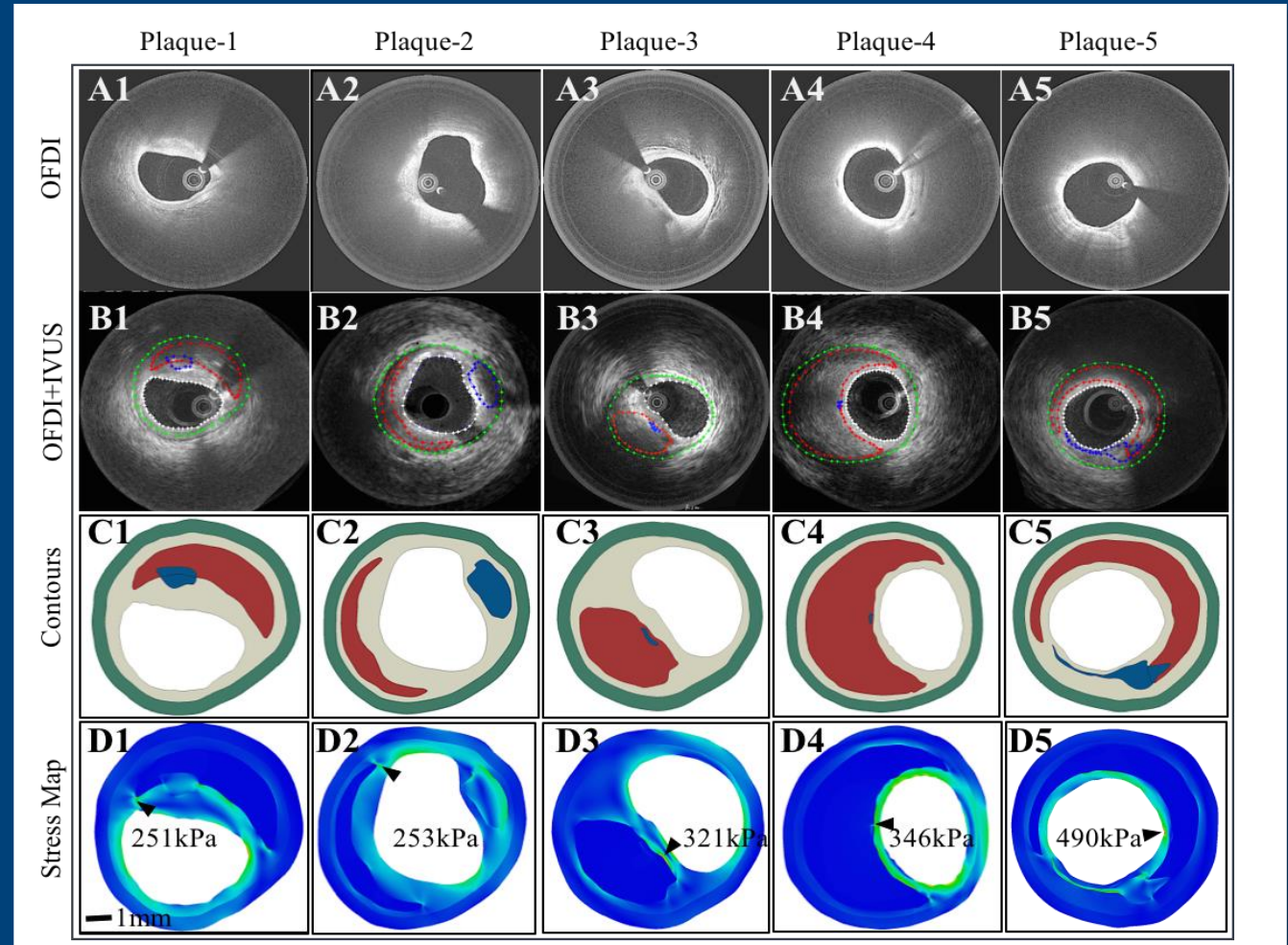


# Multi-Modality Intracoronary Plaque Imaging

## Direct Estimation of Peak Stress in Fibrous Cap

Overlay of  
OCT & IVUS

Multifarious  
coronary  
necrotic core  
plaque  
geometries  
in patients



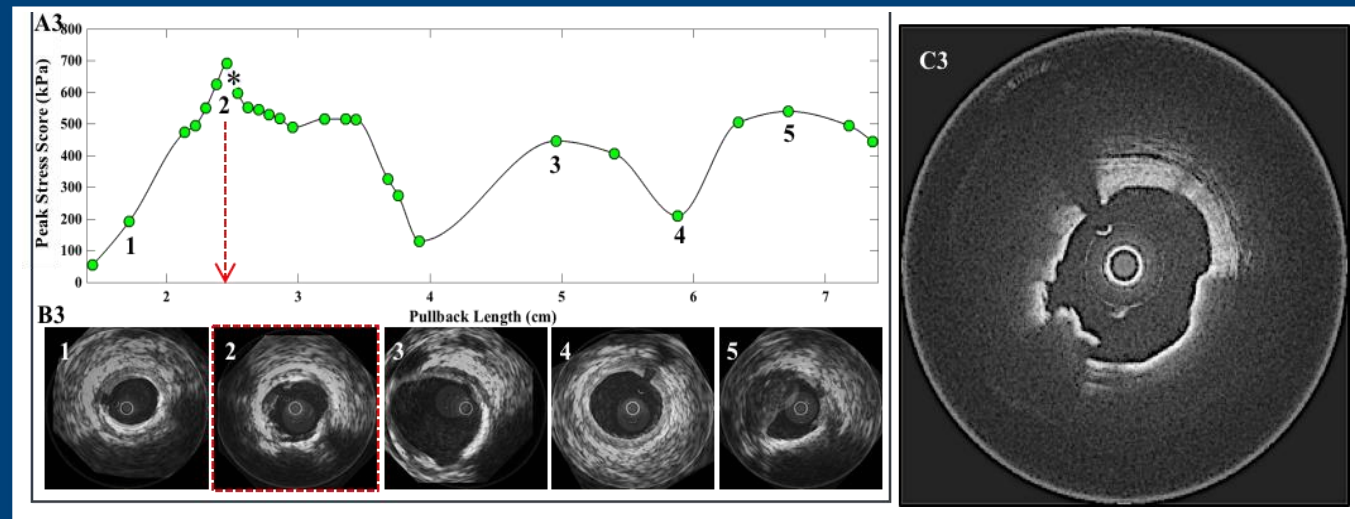
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### Novel Multifactorial Stress Equation:

Culprit rupture site is located adjacent to the location of the maximum PSS.

- A) Peak stress score (PSS) along the pullback
- B) Corresponding overlaid OFDI-IVUS cross section (maximum peak stress location, red arrow)
- C) Culprit rupture site with thrombi corresponding to the locations of the asterisks



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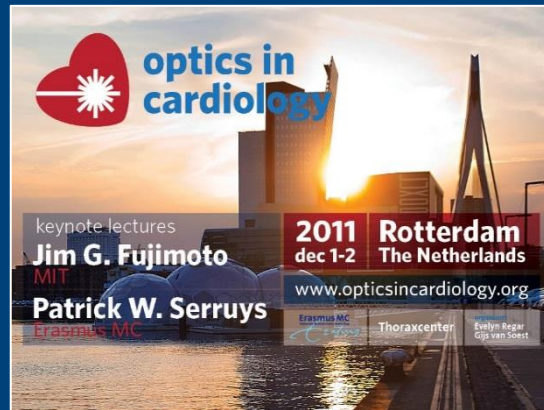
There is increasing evidence that tissue composition plays a pivotal role with regards to clinical manifest cardiac events.

## Multi-modality intracoronary imaging

- allows to combine the advantages of both, sound-based and light-based, imaging.
- provides the operator in the cathlab with information in *real-time* and in a *co-registered* manner.
- allows for user-independent, automated and quantitative analysis of tissue composition & properties.



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