Improving PCI Outcomes Angiography Alone is Not Enough Role for NIRS-IVUS

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#### Stenting: "Normal to Normal" Where To Start and Stop?









## Where We Need to Do Better in the Cath Lab

★ Optimal Stenting Procedures
 → Determine Optimal Vessel Length to Stent
 → Measure Precise Stent Length

Optimize Stent Deployment
Minimize Subacute Thombosis and Late Restenosis

Characterize Non-Flow Limiting Lesions
 Pre-emptive PCI of VP?

Direct Coronary Imaging Facilitates Optimal PCI and Improved Outcomes



#### **Stent Thrombosis**



### Meta-Analysis of 11 Studies (n=19,619 pts)

Compared with angiography-guidance, IVUS-guided DES implantation was associated with a reduced incidence of

- Death (HR: 0.59, 95% CI: 0.48-0.73, p<0.001)</li>
- Stent thrombosis (HR: 0.58, 95% CI: 0.44-0.77, p<0.0001)</li>
  - Major adverse cardiac events (HR: 0.87, 95% CI: 0.78-0.96, *p*=0.008)

Zhang et al. Eurointervention 2012;8:855-65



Witzenbichler B et al. Circulation. 2014;129:463-470

# IVUS Guidance changed procedure>75% cases Longer, appropriately sized stents

IVUS Guidance Improved Clinical Outcomes
 33% reduction in MI
 50% reduction ST
 38% reduction TVR

#### **IVUS vs Angiography-Guided DES Implantation**

JAMA. 2015;314(20):2155-2163. doi:10.1001/jama.2015.15454



**IVUS: 2.9% absolute and 48% relative reduction in MACE** 

# **Benefits of IVUS on PCI Outcome**

- Optimal Length of Vessel to Stent
- Precise Choice of Stent Length
- Optimal Stent Expansion
- Detection Stent Edge Complications

# Hypothesis

**Plaque Composition May Influence Outcome** 

#### **Data Acquired by a Combined IVUS and NIRS Catheter**

Adapted from Bourantas, et al. JACC 2013;16(13):1369



#### Intracoronary Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS) Has Been Validated to Detect LCP in Patients



LCBI = # pixels in a region of interest indicating lipid x 1000 MaxLCBI<sub>4mm</sub> = maximum LCBI in any 4-mm segment

# **NIRS-IVUS Plaque Characterization**

# Proper Length of Vessel to Stent Optimal Stent Deployment

# Patient with USA Stenting: "Full Lesion Coverage" Where To Start and Stop?



## **NIRS Reveals Lipid Core at the Stenotic Site, and Lipid Cores at Two Additional Locations**



One lipid core is located at the stenotic site (#2)

The MaxLCBI<sub>4mm</sub> at the proximal, non-stenotic site is 428 (#1)

**Stenotic Culprit Site** 



# **NIRS-IVUS** at the Stenotic Site

Lumen Area:	Plaque Burden:	maxLCBI <sub>4mm</sub> :
$2.63 \text{ mm}^2$	<u>71%</u>	<u> </u>



# **NIRS-IVUS at Proximal Site**

## Not Severely Stenotic by Angio, but IVUS Reveals Bulky LCP with Lumen Area <4mm<sup>2</sup>

and >70% Plaque Burden



## The Distal Lesion Was Found to be Non-Stenotic with MLA >4mm<sup>2</sup>



## NIRS-IVUS "Proven" Optimal Result



## Full Lesion Length Coverage Optimal stent Expansion & Apposition

#### Lipid Core Plaque Beyond Angiographic Stenosis Hanson et al Coronary Artery Disease 2015



**Direct Coronary Imaging Optimizes Lesion Coverage** 

## Acute Stent Thrombosis Uncovered LCP







The proximal end of the stent that thrombosed is located in a lipid-core plaque.

Sakhuja, R. et al. Circulation 2010;122:2349-2350



# Mechanisms of Peri-procedural MI Lipid Core Plaque & Distal Embolization



- Complicates 12-15% of PCI's
- Distal Embolization Lipid common
- Associated with Fibrosis by MRI
- Assoc. with Increased Mortality

#### Prasad A, Herrmann J. N Engl J Med 2011;364:453-464

# Lipid Core Plaque & Distal **Circumferential LCP Embolization** 90 70 **Ulcerated Plaque**

Goldstein et al: JACC Imaging 2009 2: 1420-4

### Peri-Procedural No-Reflow & MI



# MaxLCBI<sub>4mm</sub> > 500 Predicts 50% risk PPMI

#### Goldstein et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv. 2011:4:429-437



The VP Hypothesis Connecting the Dots

Patterns of LCP in ACS

#### **Connecting the Dots: 54 Year Old with Inferior-Posterior MI**



#### These LCP lesions did not develop overnight!





#### Angiogram After PTCA with Small Balloon Flow Restored

Madder, et al JACC Intervent 2013;6:838-46

### **Detection by Intracoronary NIRS of LCP at Culprit Sites in Survivors of Cardiac Arrest**

Madder RD et al J Invasive Cardiol 2014;26:78-79



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#### We Need to Detect Non-Culprit VP in the Cath Lab



#### PRAMI Study Wald DS et al. N Engl J Med 2013;369:1115-1123



Preventive PCI in non-infarct major stenoses reduced MACE compared with PCI limited to infarct artery

### Prevalence of LCP in Target Lesions in ACS v CSA Madder & Goldstein. Circ Cardiovasc Interv 2012;5:55-61



## **Remote LCP in 70% ACS Cases**

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#### 64 year old presents with STEMI in March 2012

#### Unstable angina October 2012



**Benefits of NIRS-IVUS imaging** (Diagnosis, Guidance and prognosis)

# Pre-procedural Strategy Length/Size of Vessel to Stent

- Early procedural assessment (Guidance)
  - Geographic Miss, Expansion, Malapposition, Dissection, and Clot

## → • **Prognosis**

"Vulnerable Plaque"