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Should Bioresorbable Scaffolds (BRS) Be Used in STEMI?

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STEMI and Bioresorbable Scaffolds

Premises, promises and doubts

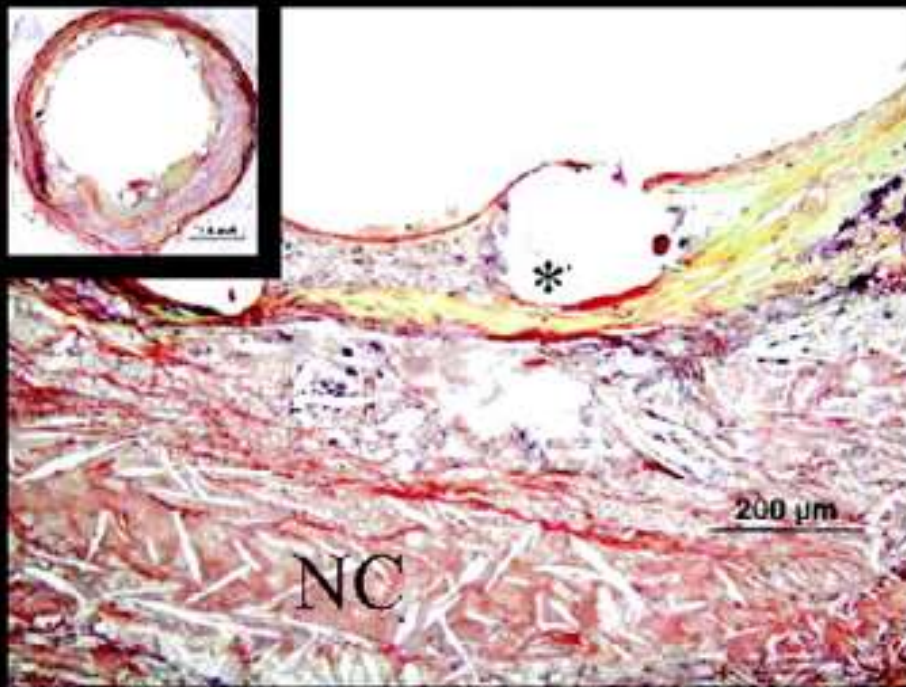
DES ISSUES IN STEMI



Necrotic Core and Arterial Healing

STEMI

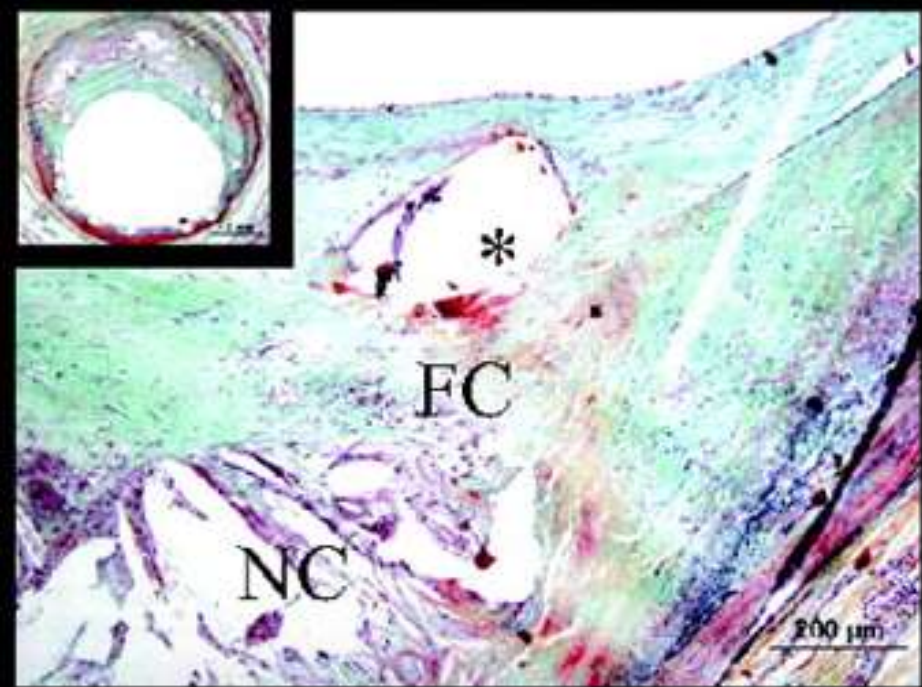
24 months, Cypher, very late ST



Necrotic core, minimal healing

Stable CAD

19 months, Cypher, noncardiac death

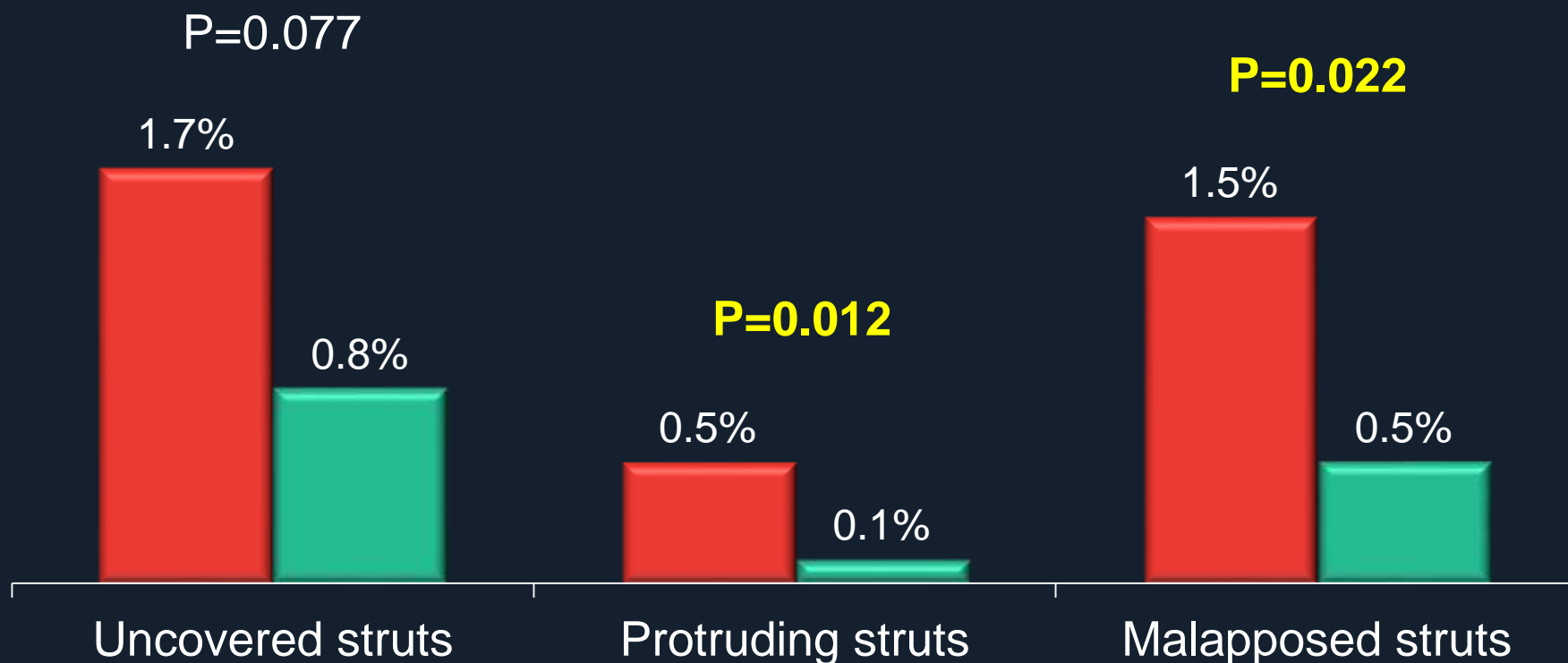


Thick-cap fibroatheroma

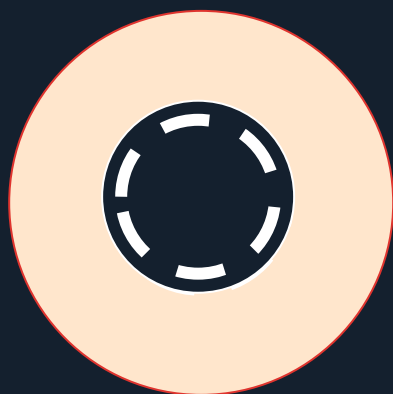
Long-Term Strut Characteristics of DES

5-year OCT follow up in 88 patients with ACS and stable CAD

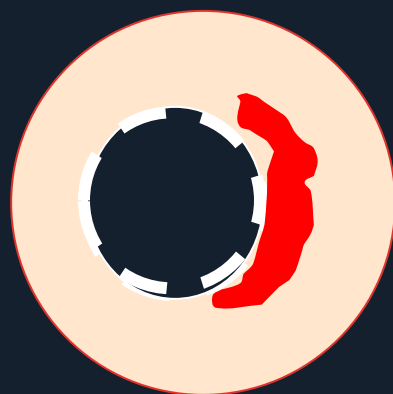
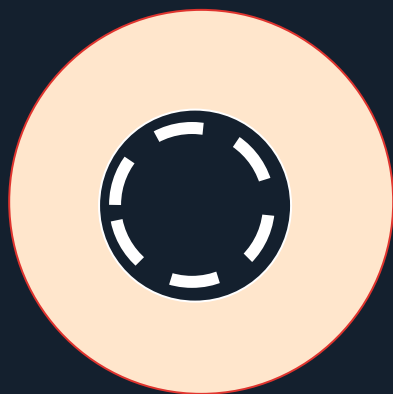
■ STEMI ■ Stable CAD



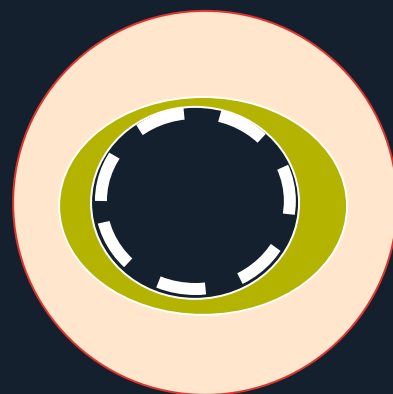
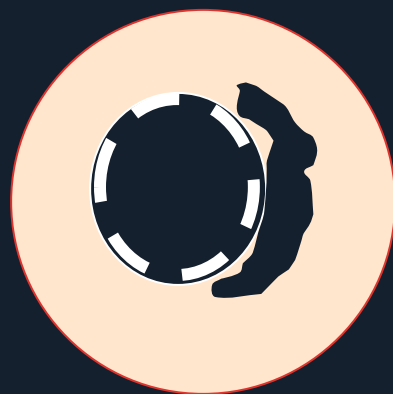
Mechanisms of Late Malapposition



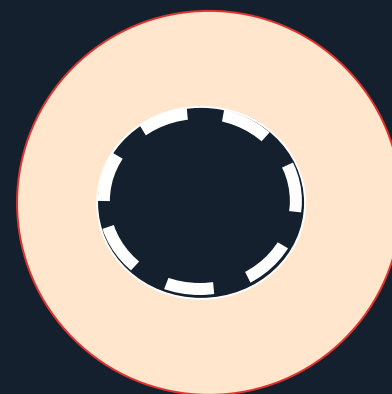
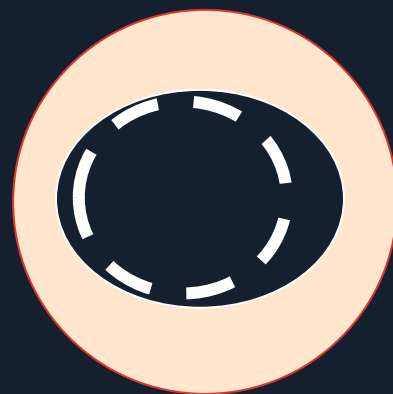
Underexpansion



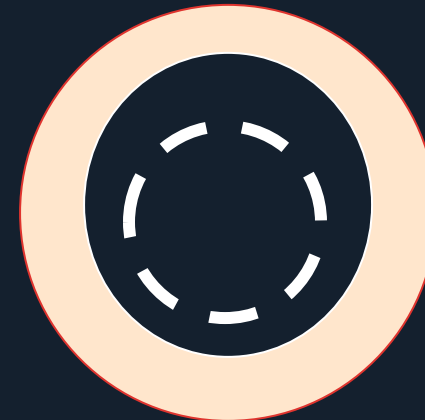
Thrombus dissolution



Plaque shrinkage

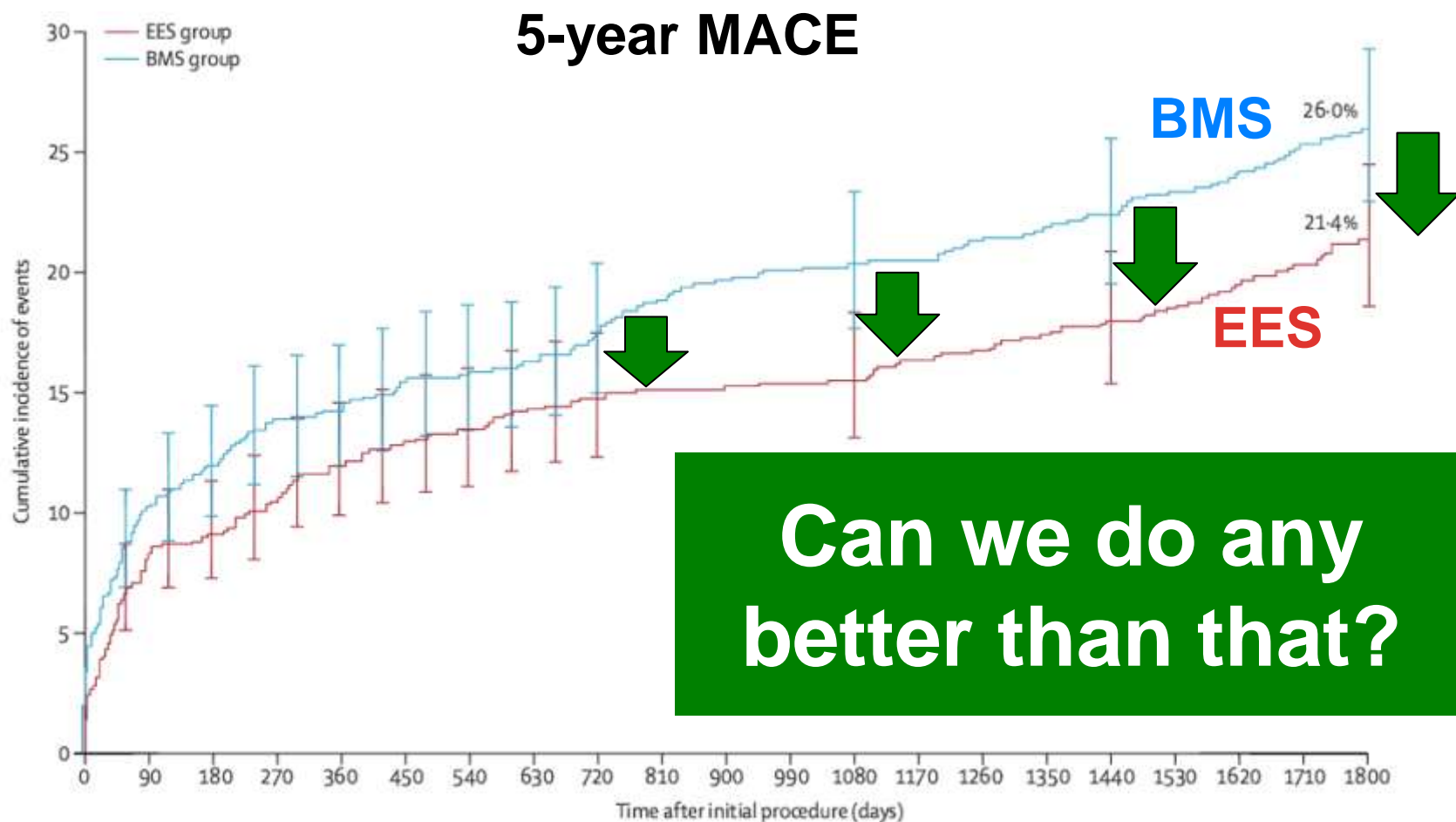


Positive remodeling



EES: The DES Reference Standard

1498 patients randomly assigned to receive either EES (n=751) or BMS (n=747)



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WHY BRS MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA

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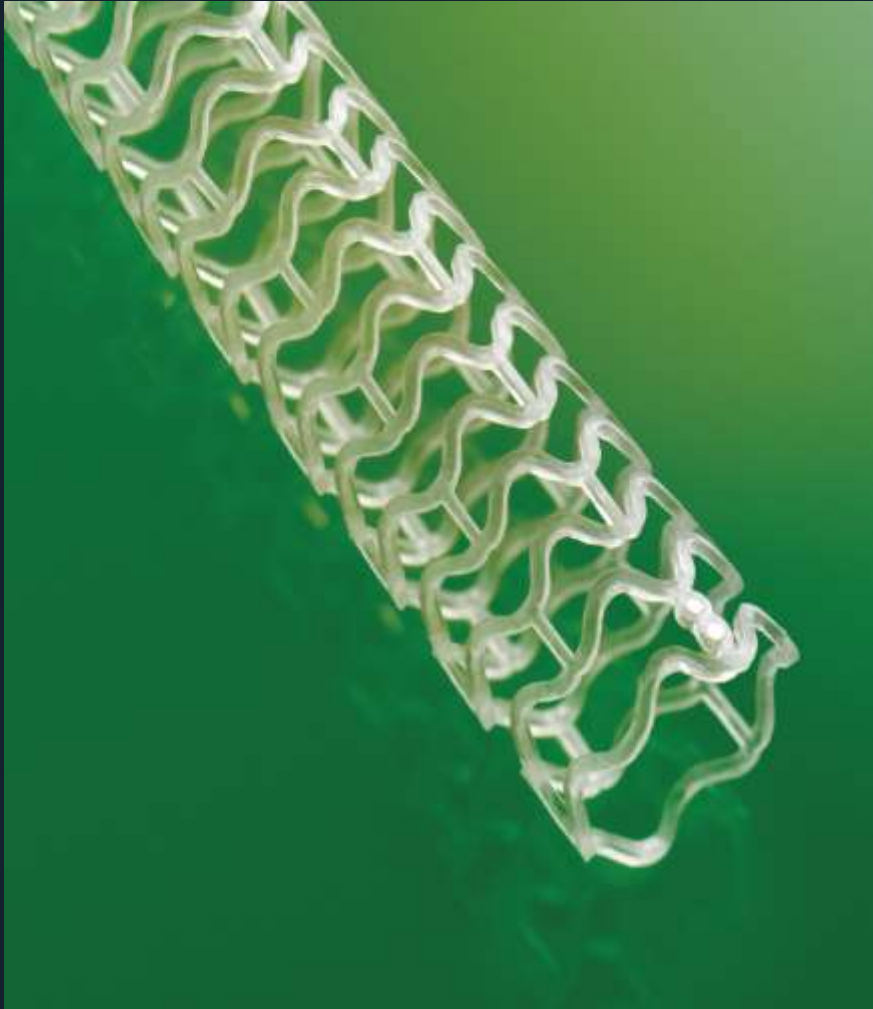
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Rationale for BVS in STEMI



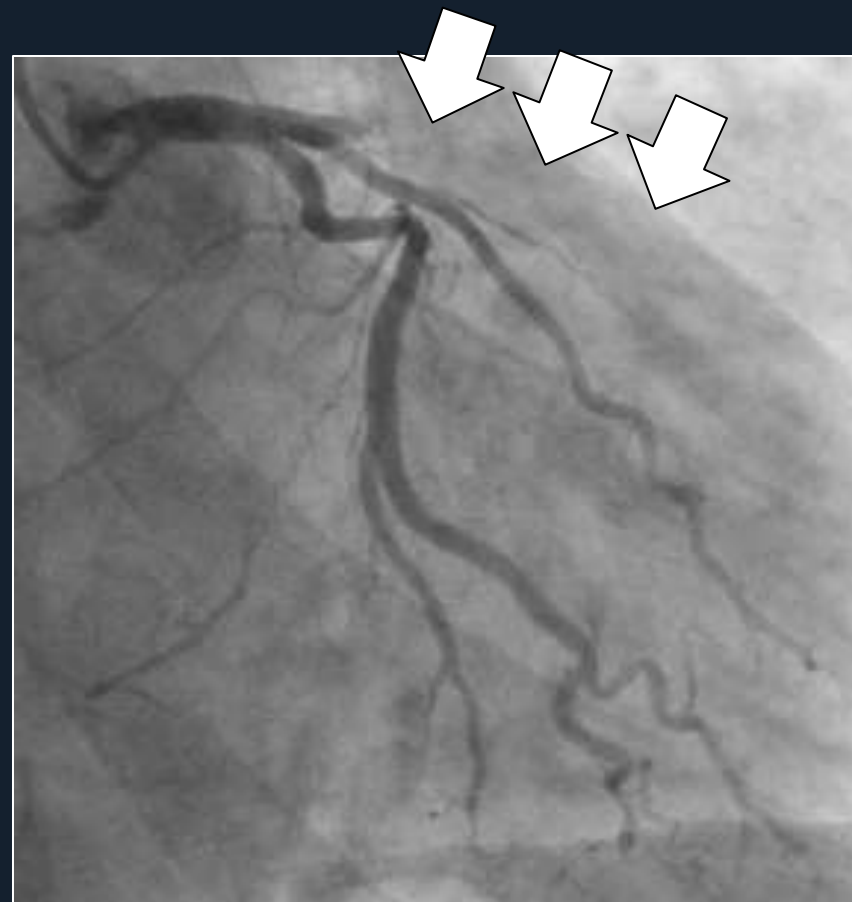
- ❖ Bioresorption and positive vessel remodelling may offset the effect of device undersizing facilitated by vasoconstriction
- ❖ Scaffolds may result in a neo-cap formation acting as a protective layer shielding the underlying necrotic core

Benefits of BVS Are Expected Proximally

Distance from the coronary ostium to the culprit lesion planimeted in 1,914 pts

75%

STEMI culprit lesions contained in the first 60 mm of a coronary artery



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**WHY BRS MIGHT NOT
BE A GOOD IDEA**

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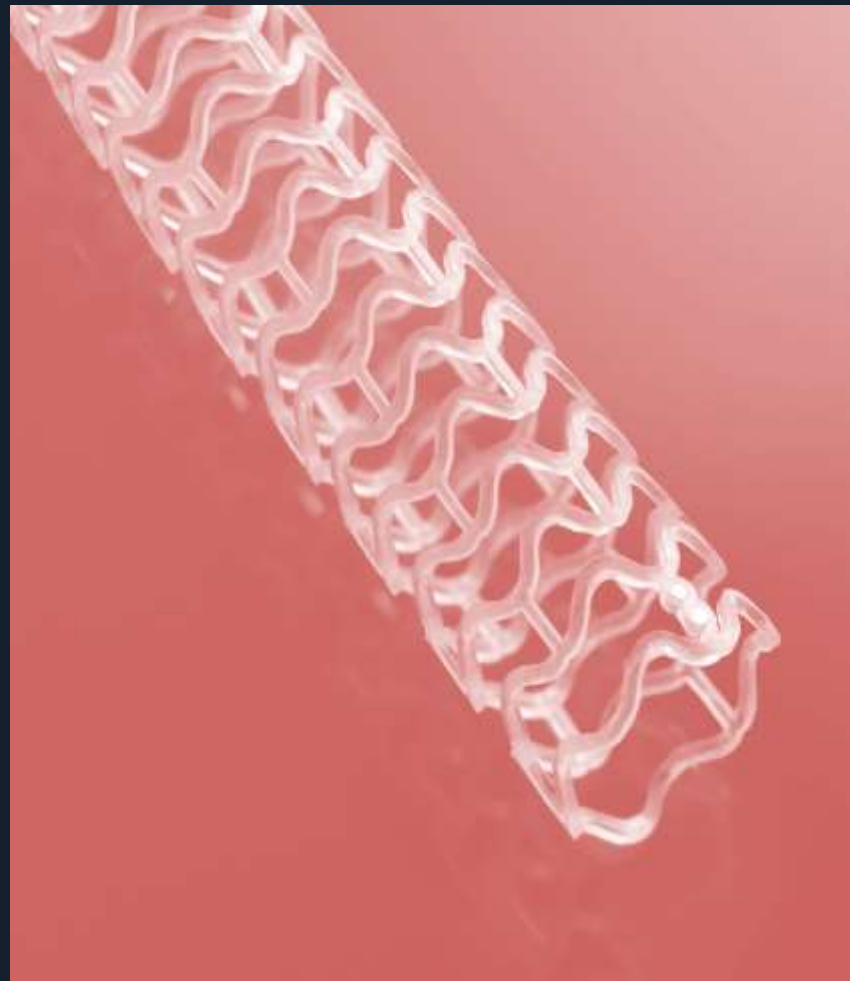
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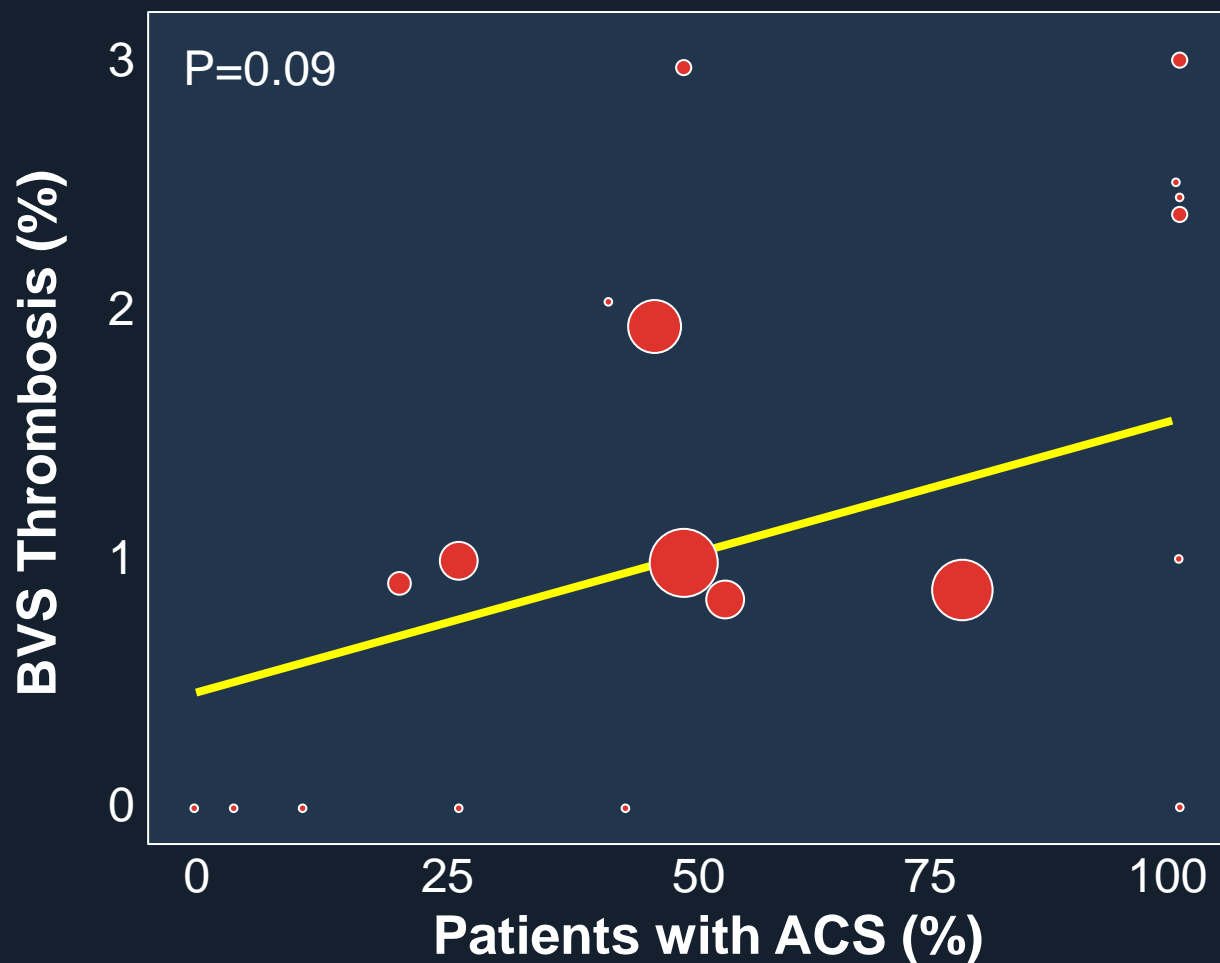
Rationale against BVS in STEMI

- ❖ Primary PCI is a time-sensitive and demanding procedure, where technical steps recommended for optimal BVS implantation might be overlooked
- ❖ Primary PCI is performed in a prothrombotic milieu, sometimes with poor platelet inhibition on board (a concern for early BVS thrombosis)



ACS and Early BVS Thrombosis

Meta-analysis of 10,510 patients from 26 studies



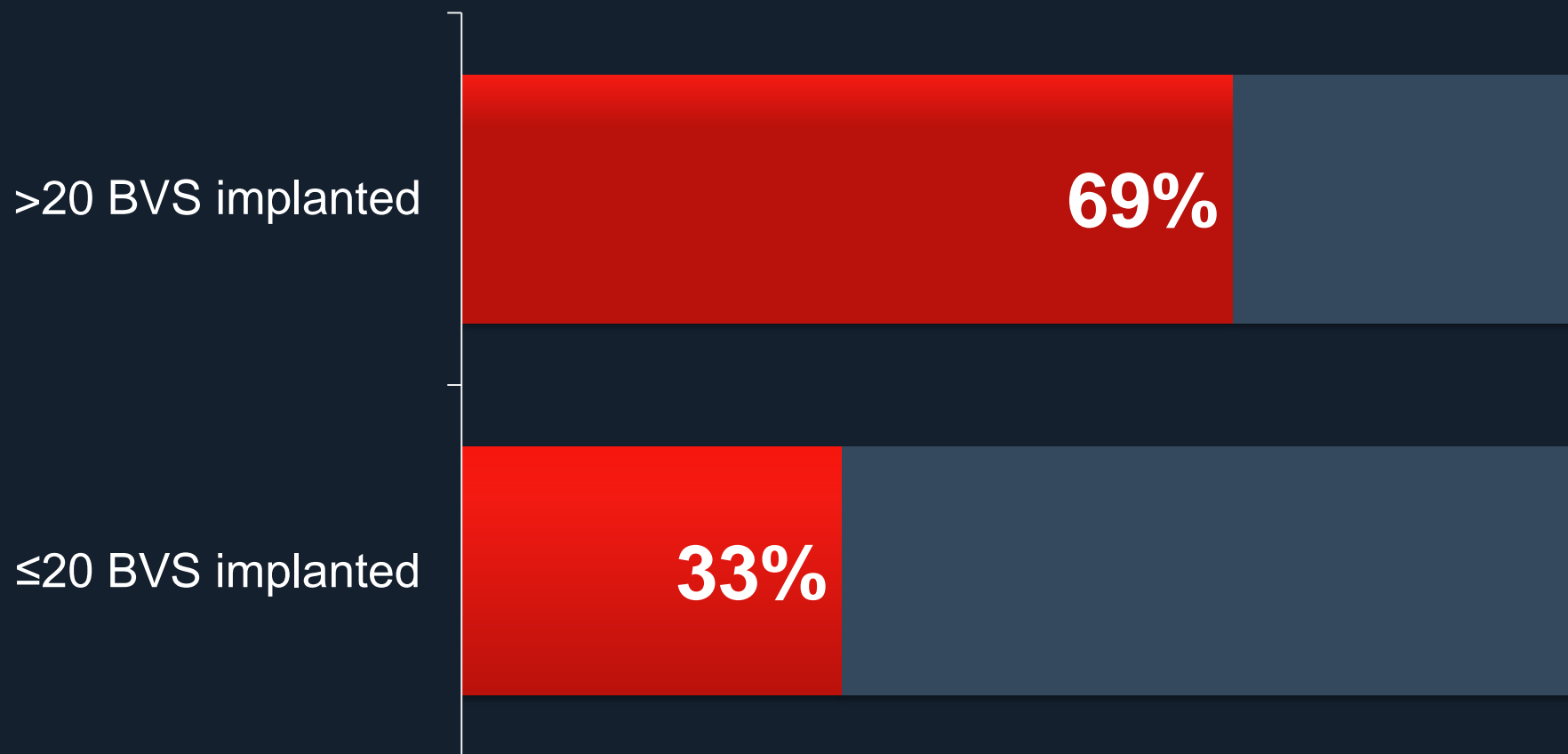
Reasons for NOT implanting a BVS in STEMI

PRAGUE 19: 101 pts excluded from receiving BVS out of 142 consecutive pts with STEMI (71%) screened between December 2012 and August 2014

Exclusion criteria	Number of patients
Killip III-IV	24
Stent thrombosis	5
Poor compliance	8
Comorbidity with limited expected survival	3
Anticoagulation or contraindication to DAPT	4
Vessel diameter outside 2.3-3.7 range	30
Correct BVS size not in stock	14
Vessel calcification tortuosity	17
P-PCI without stent implantation	21

“Do you use BVS in STEMI”?

Survey of 139 interventionalists from 23 countries



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BRS for STEMI: THE EVIDENCE BASE

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Single-Arm Registries of BVS in STEMI

Study	Journal	N	Follow up	MACE	Death	ScT
Kajiya et al	EIJ 2013	11	53±46 days	9%	9%	0%
Wiebe et al	CRC 2014	25	133±69 days	8%	4%	0%
STEMI First	EHJ 2014	49	30 days	0%	0%	0%
RAI	EIJ 2015	74	6 months	4.1%	0%	1.3%
Kochman et al	CJ 2015	23	229 [199-248] d	4.3%	0%	4.3%
Karanasos et al	HJC 2015	5	6 months	0%	0%	0%
Kochman et al	CCI 2015	12	12 months	8.3%	0%	0%
PRAGUE 19	Circ CI 2015	70	12 months	4.3%	2.9%	1.4%

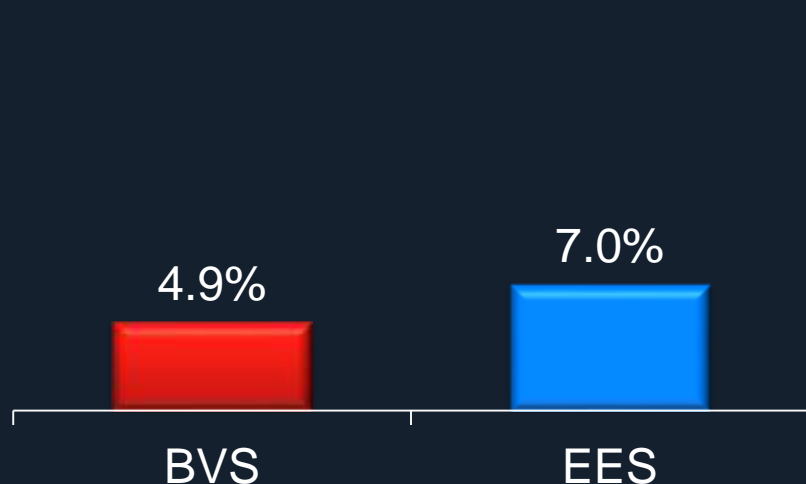
Dual-Arm Registries of BVS in STEMI

BVS-RAI¹

135 patients treated with BVS vs.
470 patients treated with EES

220-day Death/MI/TLR

P=0.47

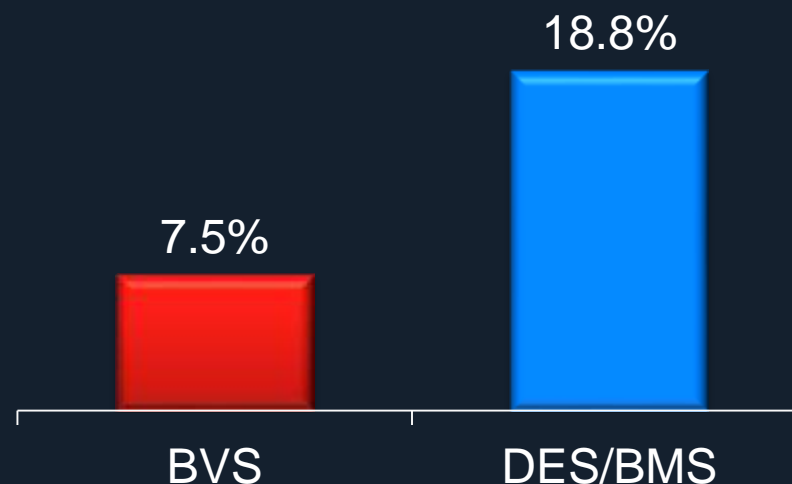


PRAGUE 19²

40 patients treated with BVS vs.
57 patients treated with DES/BMS

2-Year Death/MI/TVR

P=0.12



¹Cortese B, et al. Am J Cardiol. 2015;116:705-10

²Tousek P, et al. Int J Cardiol. 2016;209:20-1

BVS vs EES vs BMS (propensity-matched)

290 patients treated with BVS at 6 centers, matched with 290 patients treated with EES and 290 patients treated with BMS from EXAMINATION

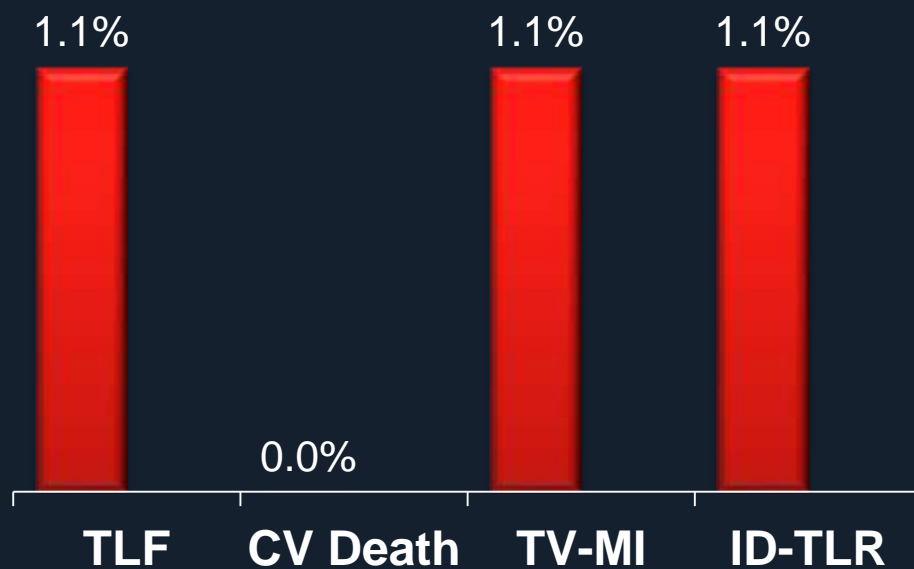
	BVS	EES	BMS	BVS vs EES	BVS vs BMS
30-day					
TLF	3.1%	2.4%	2.8%	0.59	0.78
CV Death	1.7%	1.4%	1.7%	0.72	0.98
TV MI	1.4%	0.7%	0	0.22	0.31
TLR	1.0%	0.7%	1.0%	0.66	0.98
Def/prob ST	2.1%	0.3%	1.0%	0.06	0.32
1-year FU					
TLF	4.1%	4.1%	5.9%	0.99	0.31
CV Death	2.1%	2.1%	2.1%	0.91	0.53
TV MI	2.1%	1.4%	1.0%	0.58	0.20
TLR	1.7%	1.4%	3.4%	0.53	0.96
Def/prob ST	2.4%	1.4%	1.7%	0.95	0.85

BVS vs EES (Randomized)

TROFI 2: 191 patients with STEMI randomized to BVS or EES

6-month clinical outcomes

■ BVS ■ EES



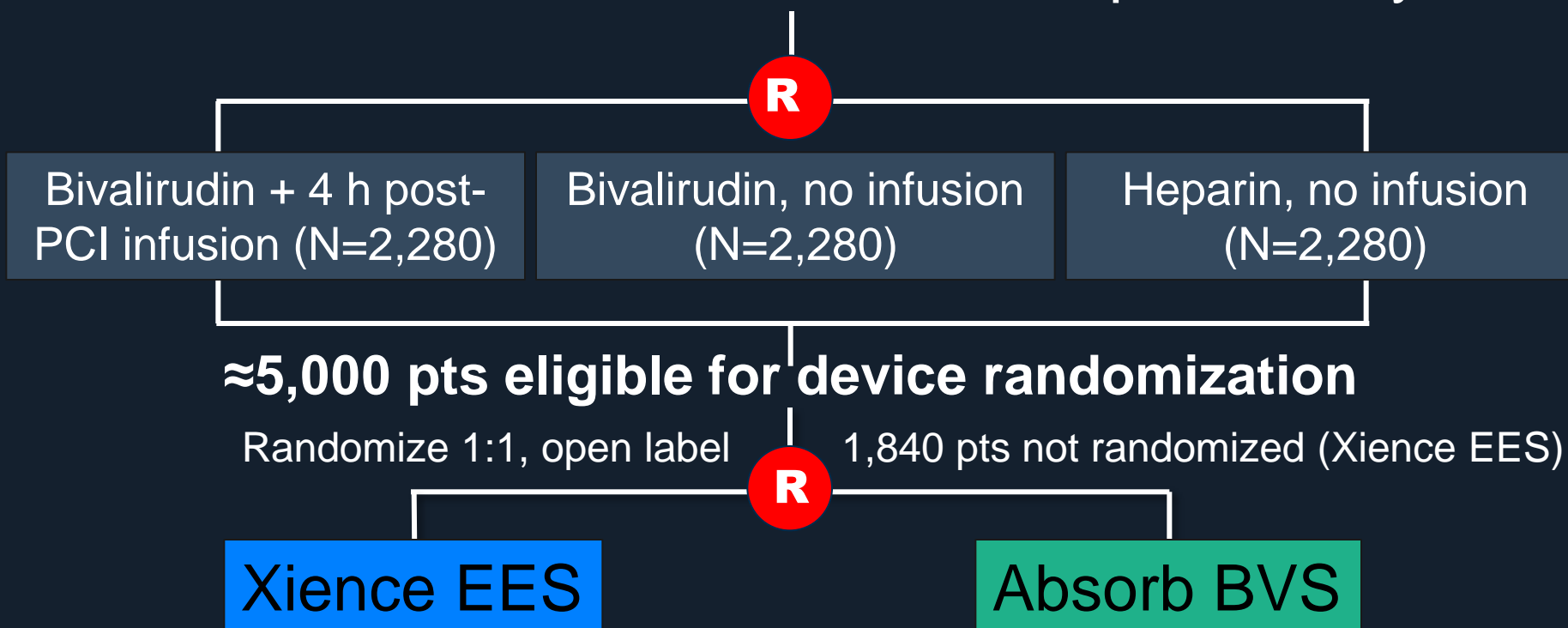
	BVS	EES	
6-mo QCA	N=94	N=98	
%DS (%)	17.3±7.4	14.5±9.3	0.028
ID-Late loss (mm)	0.17±0.24	0.08±0.28	0.024
IS-Late loss (mm)	0.14±0.28	0.06±0.29	0.09
6-mo OFDI	N=84	N=87	
Healing score (n)	1.74±2.39	2.80±4.44	0.053
Neointimal area (mm ²)	1.52±0.38	1.35±0.54	0.018
Coverage (mm)	0.11±0.03	0.09±0.05	<0.001

HORIZONS ABSORB AMI

6,840 pts with STEMI undergoing primary PCI

Aspirin + oral P2Y₁₂ Inhibitor | IV Cangrelor + Infusion

Randomize 1:1:1, double blind, triple dummy



Closing remarks

- ❖ Young STEMI patients with proximal culprit lesions may represent ideal candidates to vascular restoration therapy.
- ❖ However, the impact of implanting thick-strut devices in a prothrombotic environment is a major unknown, and scaffold thrombosis a key concern.
- ❖ In PRAGUE 19, less than one third of STEMI patients qualified for BVS implantation.
- ❖ Early real world outcomes of BVS in STEMI sound promising, but they lack scientific solidity. A large-scale randomized clinical trial has been launched to define the role of BVS in primary PCI.