iFR as the gold standard for coronary revascularization



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Definition of iFR:

Instant wave-free ratio across a stenosis during the wave-free period, when *resistance is naturally constant* and minimized in the cardiac cycle



iFR has been adopted in +4000 catheter labs world wide

iFR adoption worldwide





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Call for change in management of CAD

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Figure 1. Evaluation of Stable Coronary Artery Disease.

When stable coronary artery disease is suspected, initial medical therapy, noninvasive evaluation, coronary anglography, and assessment with use of the instantaneous wave-free ratio (iFR) can be used to guide decisions regarding percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI).



" FFR has been the evidence-based standard for invasive evaluation of such lesions, but it now appears that iFR may be the new standard.

Deepak Bhatt, NEJM 2017

iFR now included in AUC guidelines as an alternative for coronary revascularization



Patel M et al. JACC 2017

DEFINE-FLAIR and iFR SwedeHeart: The largest global physiology outcome trials

- DEFINE FLAIR and iFR Swedeheart are the new landmark physiology studies
- 4500+ patients, more than twice the combined patient population of previous landmark physiology studies
 - DEFINE FLAIR: n = 2492 patients
 - iFR Swedeheart: n = 2037 patients
- 2 prospective, randomized, controlled trials



Global recruitment – reflecting real world practice



DEFINE-FLAIR and iFR SwedeHeart: First clinical outcome trials testing physiological guided revascularization in intermediate zone



Consistent patient outcome

- An iFR guided strategy is statistically comparable to an FFR-Guided Strategy for patient outcome^{*}
 - Primary endpoint: major cardiovascular adverse event rates, assessed at 1-year



* p-values are for non-inferiority of an iFR-guided strategy versus an FFR-guided strategy with respect to 1-year MACE rates; prespecified non-inferiority margins were 3.4% and 3.2% in DEFINE FLAIR and iFR Swedeheart, respectively

Treatment allocation with iFR and FFR



p for comparison between patients randomized to iFR and FFR

DEFER* p=0.003 CABG** p=0.04 PCI*** p=0.02

Significantly less revascularization based on iFR interrogation



Event rates in deferred patients at 12 months





An iFR-guided strategy significantly reduces patient discomfort

• DEFINE FLAIR reported that without the need of hyperemia, you can achieve a 90% reduction of patient discomfort during procedures

	iFR (n = 1242)	FFR (n=1250)	Total adverse procedural symptoms or signs (%)		
Patient reported adverse symptoms			35	P <	0.001
Dyspnoea	13	250	30		
Chest pain	19	90	25		
Patient reported adverse signs			20		30.8%
Rhythm disturbance	2	60	15		
Significant Hypotension	4	13	15		
Vomiting or nausea	1	11	10		
Serious symptoms or			5	3.1%	
bronchospasm	1	8			
other	4	38	0 —		
Total adverse procedural				IFR	FFR
symptoms or signs	39	385			

An iFR-guided strategy significantly reduces procedural time and cost

- DEFINE FLAIR reported an average procedural time of 40.5 minutes in the iFR arm, vs. 45.0 minutes in the FFR arm (p < 0.001)
- This means a 10% reduction in procedural time





69 years old gentleman with hypertension and hypercholesterolemia; minimal chest pain; enrolled into the ILUMIEN I study

FIR

FFR

0.91

59

FFR

0.74

0.98

66

FFR pull-back before treatment



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Stent to the Distal Lesion and New FFR assessment



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Distal FFR after OCT Optimised Stent Deployment to the Proximal and Distal lesion





4 FFR pull-backs, 3 adenosine syringes changed from iv pump, 2 pressure wires used Approx. 25 more minutes and significant extra-cost added

FFR in serial lesion assessment

• <u>Not possible</u> to independently interrogate tandem lesions with FFR

 3-5 beat averaging means unable to demarcate beginning-end of stenosis clearly

• Not possible to visualize some stenoses

CASE 1 – Hammersmith Hospital

- 75 Male
- 6 month history of chest pain
- Presented with NSTEMI
- Troponin positive
- Preserved LV systolic function
- Normal Labs

Is there a focal LAD lesion to treat?





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PRECISION GUIDED THERAPY

Calibrated length



iFR Distal: 0.60 iFR drop in selection : 0.25











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TUESDAY 16 MAY 2017 (2) 11:30 -12:50 Q MAIN ARENA

Late-breaking trials and trial update >

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Session format: Hot Line / LBT

12:10 Safety of coronary revascularisation deferral based on iFR and FFR measurements in stable angina and acute coronary syndromes. A pooled patient-level analysis of DEFINE FLAIR and IFR SWEDEHEART trials J. Escaned

Take homes from DEFINE-FLAIR and iFR SwedeHeart

• iFR is as safe as FFR to guide coronary revascularization decision-making

iFR has fewer adverse side effects and symptoms

• iFR is quicker to perform