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Technical Uncertainties in Bifurcation PCI

Predilation, Kiss, POT (and RePOT)

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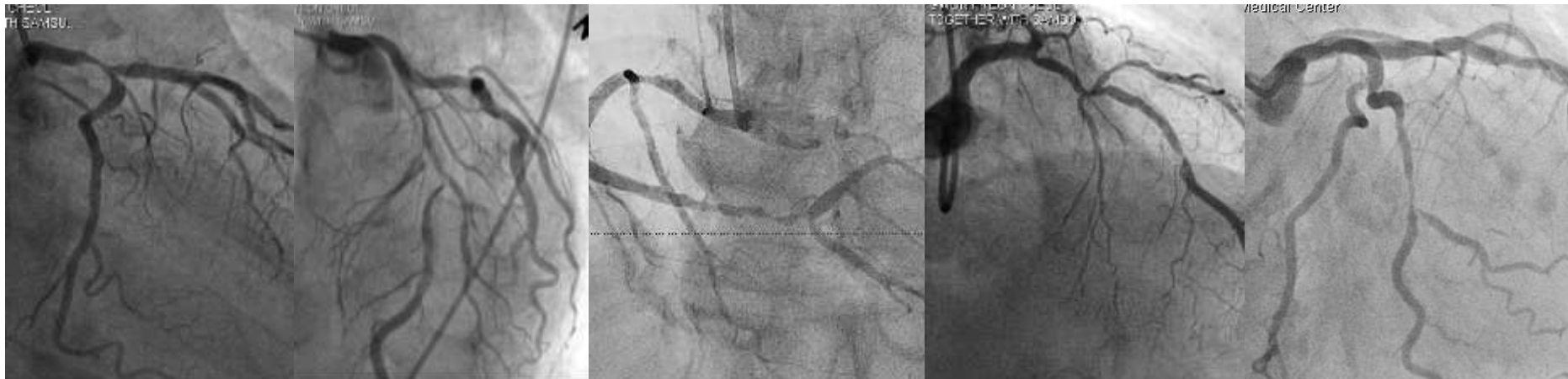
Predilation of side branch (SB)

▶ Benefits

- The lower risk of SB compromise after MV stenting
- Relief of ischemia in the myocardial territory of SB

▶ Costs

- Complicated procedure with the higher risk of peri-procedural MI
- Increased risk of SB dissection

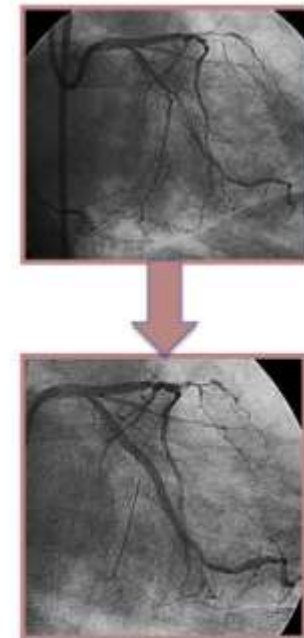
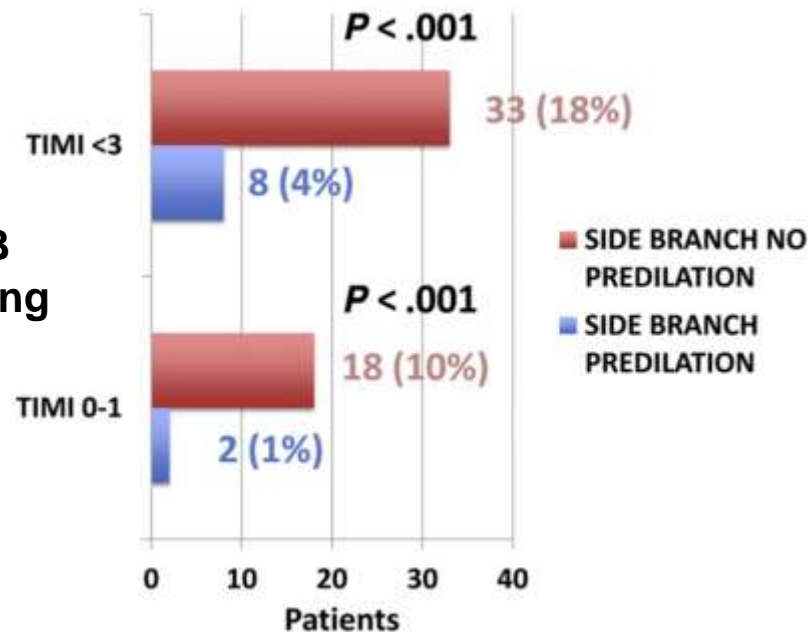


Pan M, et al.

The angiographic impact of predilation

- ▶ True bifurcation (N=372)
- ▶ Randomized to SB predilation vs. no predilation

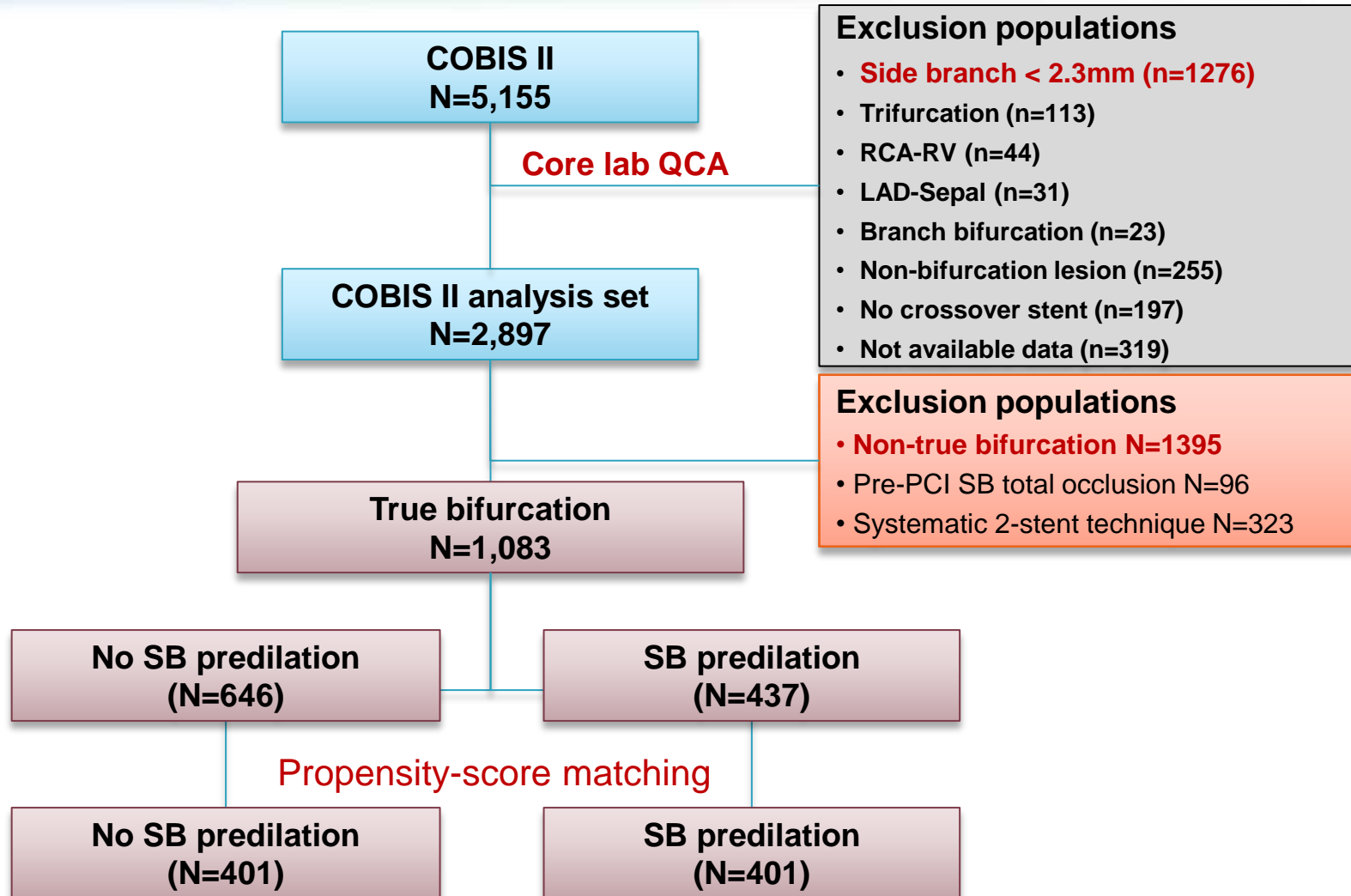
**TIMI flow of SB
after MV stenting**



TIMI flow at the SB after main vessel stenting (primary end point).

2-year MACE rate was equivalent (predil 8% vs. no-predil 10%, $p=0.56$)

COBIS II Registry SB predilation

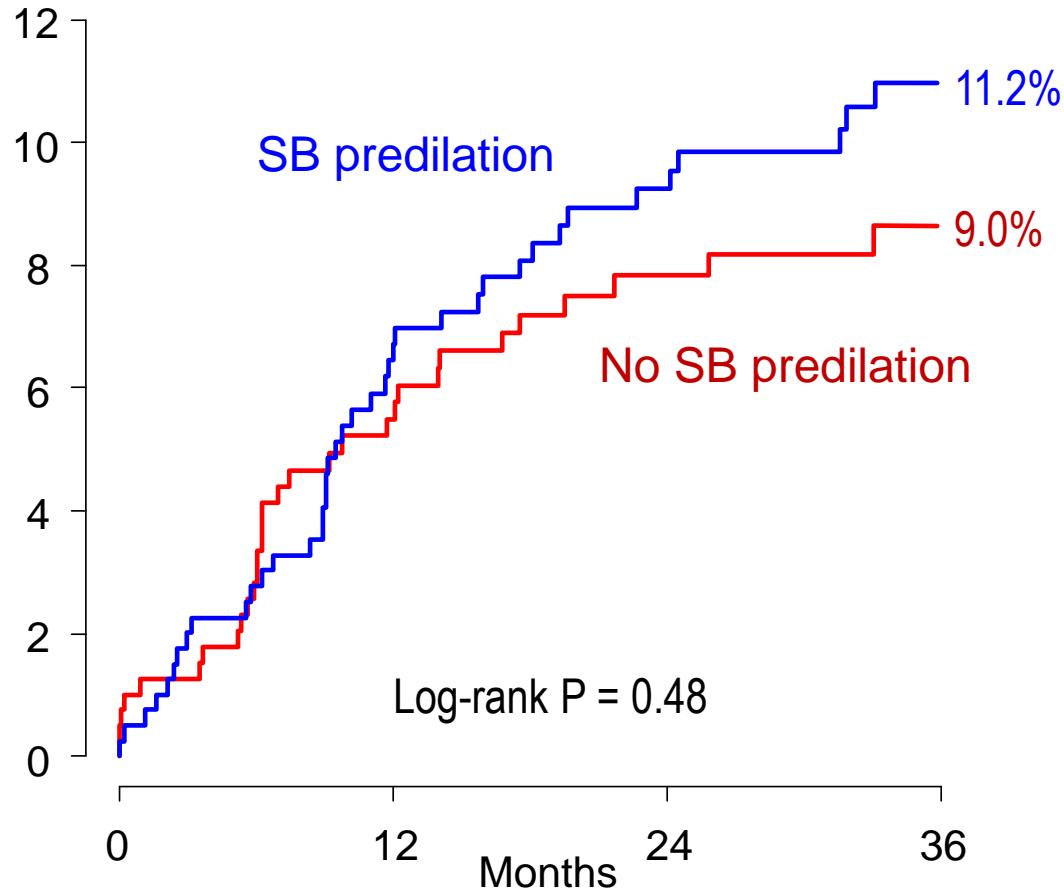


COBIS II Registry

MACE: cardiac death, MI, TLR



Median follow-up duration was 36 [24-51] months



SB Predilation (-)	401	339	268	165
SB Predilation (+)	401	350	295	214

Comparison of 2 studies

	Pan M, et al.	COBIS II (PS-matched)
Design	RCT	Registry
Number of patients	N=372	N=802
SB diameter	≥ 2.25 mm	≥ 2.3 mm
<p>SB predilation may reduce the risk of SB compromise after MV stenting, but it does not improve the long-term clinical outcomes.</p> <p>It is reasonable to apply it for the bifurcation lesion with a high risk of SB occlusion.</p>		
SB TIMI flow < 3 after stenting*	4% vs. 18%	10% vs. 13%
Long-term clinical event*	8% vs. 10%	11% vs. 9%

* Predilation vs. non-predilation

SB occlusion is mostly unpredictable

- COBIS II registry, N=2,227
- SB TIMI < 3 after MV stent: N=187, 8.4%

Independent predictors of SB TIMI < 3 after MV stenting

Variables	Odds ratio [95% CI]	p Value
SB ostial disease (DS ≥50%)	2.34 [1.59-3.43]	<0.001
SB lesion length (by 1 mm)	1.03 [1.003-1.06]	<0.001
Proximal MV disease (DS ≥50%)	2.34 [1.57-3.50]	0.03
Acute coronary syndrome	1.53 [1.06-2.19]	0.02
Left main lesions (vs. non-left main lesions)	0.34 [0.16-0.72]	0.005

SB plaque burden

MV plaque burden

Important non-predictors: bifurcation angle, jailed wire technique, SB predilatation

Case 1

- ▶ What do you expect after MV stenting?



MV plaque burden is a risk factor of SB compromise!

Final kissing ballooning (FKB) in 2-stent technique is crucial.



- ▶ Predictors of TVF (Korean Bifurcation Pooled Cohorts)
- ▶ N=951, treated with 2-stent strategy

	Adjusted HR*	95% CI	p Value
Treated bifurcation in LM	2.09	1.43 – 3.03	<0.001
High SYNTAX score >32	2.00	1.28 – 3.14	0.002
Diabetes mellitus	1.41	1.00 – 1.99	0.05
Second-generation DES	0.26	0.12 – 0.57	0.001
Non-compliant balloon	0.53	0.36 – 0.79	0.002
Final kissing ballooning	0.44	0.29 – 0.68	<0.001

Final kissing ballooning in 1-stent technique

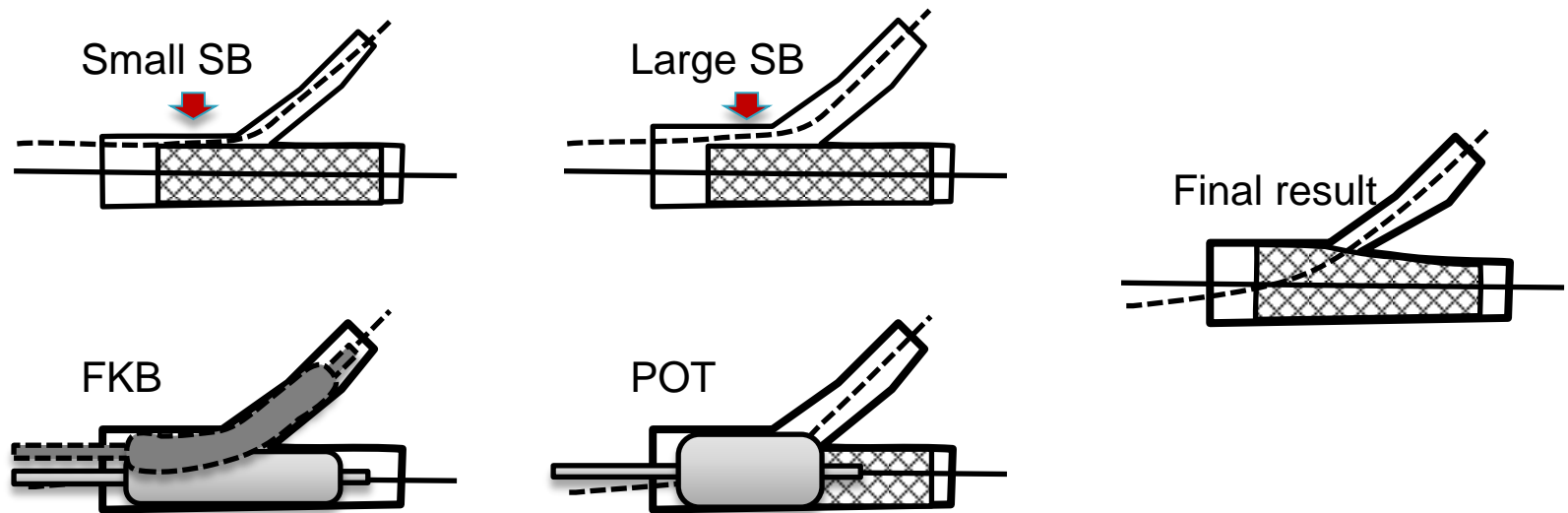
	Number Design	Primary endpoint	Outcomes	Results	Memo
Niemela M (NORDIC III) Circulation 2011	N=477 RCT	6-mo MACE	FKB 2.9%, non-FKB 2.9% P=NS	Neutral	
Gwon HC (COBIS I) Heart 2012	N=1,065 Registry	2-year MACE	FKB 9.5%, non-FKB 4.5% p=0.02	Worse	Higher MV TLR In FKB group
Yamawaki M Circ J 2014	N=253 Registry	3-year MACE	FKB 14.6% vs. non-FKB 6.9% p=0.07	Worse	Higher MV restenosis in FKB-group
Kim TH Int J Cardiol 2014	N=251 Registry	3-year MACE	FKB HR=0.40 (95% CI 0.19–0.84), p=0.015	Better	ACS patients
Biondi-Zoccai G Heart Vessels 2014	N=2,813 Registry	2-year MACE	HR=1.01 (0.80–1.23) p=0.91	Neutral	
Gao Z Chin Med J 2015	N=790 Registry	4-year MACE	FKB: 7.8%, non-FKB 10.0% p=0.33	Neutral	Left main bifurcation
Kim YH (CROSS) JACC CVI 2015	N=306 RCT	1-year MACE	FKB 14.0%, non-FKB 11.6% p=0.57	Worse	Higher MV restenosis in FKB group
Yu CW (COBIS II) JACC CVI 2015	N=1,901 Registry	3-year MACE	HR=0.50 (95% CI: 0.30-0.85), p = 0.01	Better	Lower MV TLR in FKB group

	COBIS I			COBIS II		
	FKB	No FKB	p-value	FKB	No FKB	p-value
Included case	1,065			1,901		
Inclusion	SB \geq 2.0 mm			SB \geq 2.3 mm (QCA-confirmed)		
LM bifurcation	Excluded			Included		
MACE (%)	9.5	4.5	0.02	6.8	9.7	0.02
TLR MV (%)	8.6	3.4	0.004	5.7	7.3	0.04
TLR SB (%)	1.8	0.0	-	2.2	3.3	0.21
MV proximal MLD (mm)	2.8 \pm 0.5	2.7 \pm 0.5	0.001	3.3 \pm 0.6	3.0 \pm 0.6	<0.001
MV distal MLD (mm)	2.5 \pm 0.5	2.5 \pm 0.5	0.39	2.8 \pm 0.5	2.7 \pm 0.6	0.04
SB os MLD (mm)	1.4 \pm 0.4	1.0 \pm 0.5	<0.001	1.9 \pm 0.6	1.4 \pm 0.7	<0.001
SB distal MLD (mm)	1.7 \pm 0.5	1.5 \pm 0.6	<0.001	2.2 \pm 0.6	2.0 \pm 0.7	0.04

FKB, POT, and Final-POT

FKB may be more beneficial for large SB

- ▶ The major benefit of FKB is the optimal expansion of MV stent, which seems to be more remarkable when the SB is bigger.
- ▶ Proximal optimization technique (POT) may replace FKB for this purpose, and it is also much simpler.

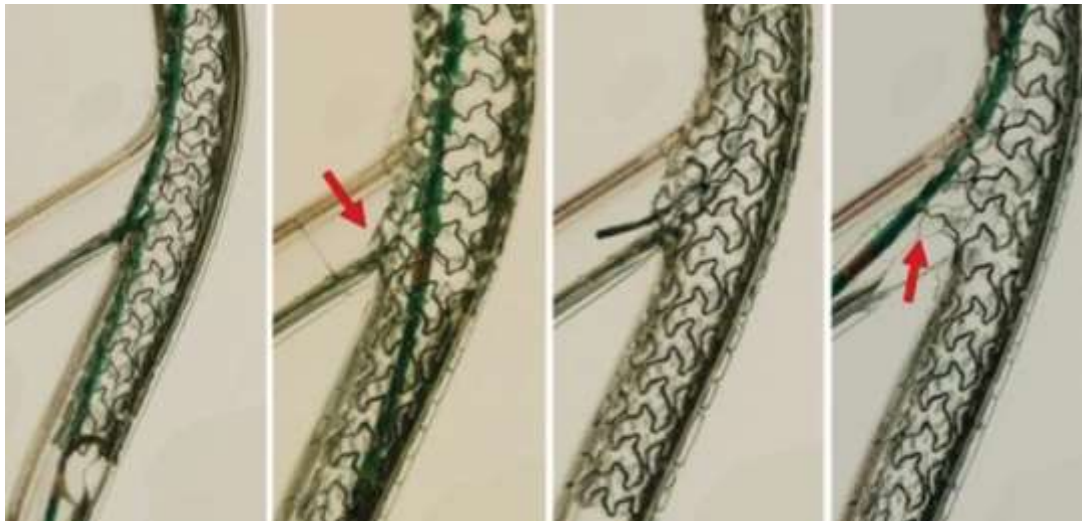


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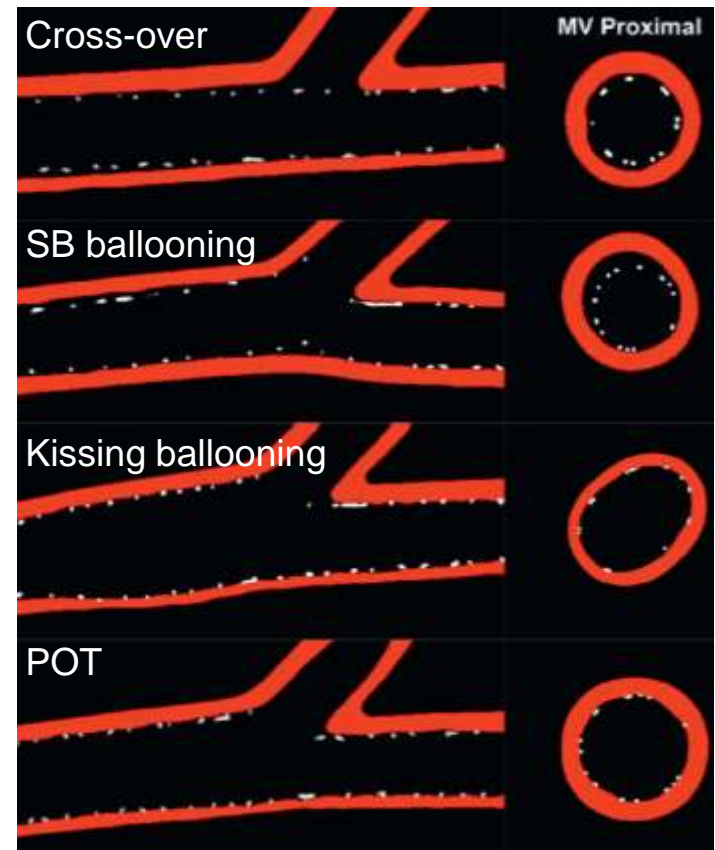
Proximal optimization technique (POT)

The POT is performed by postdilating the MV stent just proximal to the carina, with a short NC balloon sized for the proximal MV reference diameter.

It also improves a proximal MV stent apposition and eccentricity



* Originally it was invented to facilitate the wire passage into the distal struts on MV stent.



COBIS II POT Study

Clinical outcomes

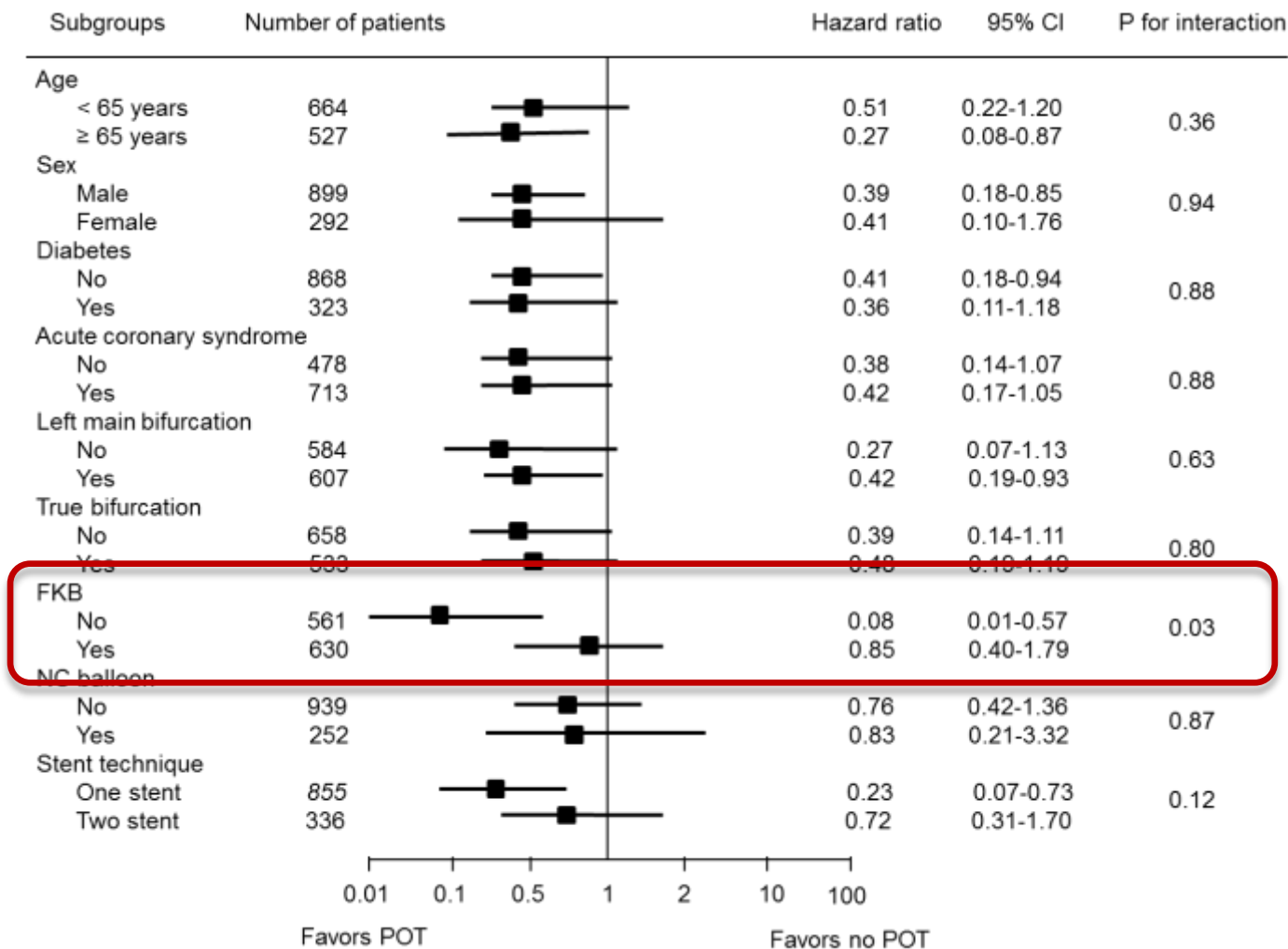


- Patients with **SB diameter ≥ 2.5 mm in core-lab QCA (N=1,191)**
- Propensity score-matching population

	POT (n=204)	No POT (n=665)	HR (95% CI)	p value
MACE	6 (2.9)	78 (11.7)	0.25 (0.11-0.60)	0.002
All-cause death	7 (3.4)	25 (3.8)	0.97 (0.41-2.33)	0.95
Cardiac death	1 (0.5)	9 (1.4)	0.37 (0.05-2.97)	0.35
Myocardial infarction	0	12 (1.8)	-	-
Stent thrombosis	2 (1.0)	8 (1.2)	0.98 (0.20-4.77)	0.98
TLR	5 (2.5)	61 (9.2)	0.27 (0.10-0.69)	0.006
MV, proximal	3 (1.5)	40 (6.0)	0.25 (0.07-0.82)	0.02
MV, distal	4 (2.0)	47 (7.1)	0.28 (0.10-0.80)	0.02
SB	4 (2.0)	35 (5.3)	0.37 (0.13-1.09)	0.07
Both vessels	5 (2.5)	48 (7.2)	0.34 (0.13-0.88)	0.03

COBIS II POT Study

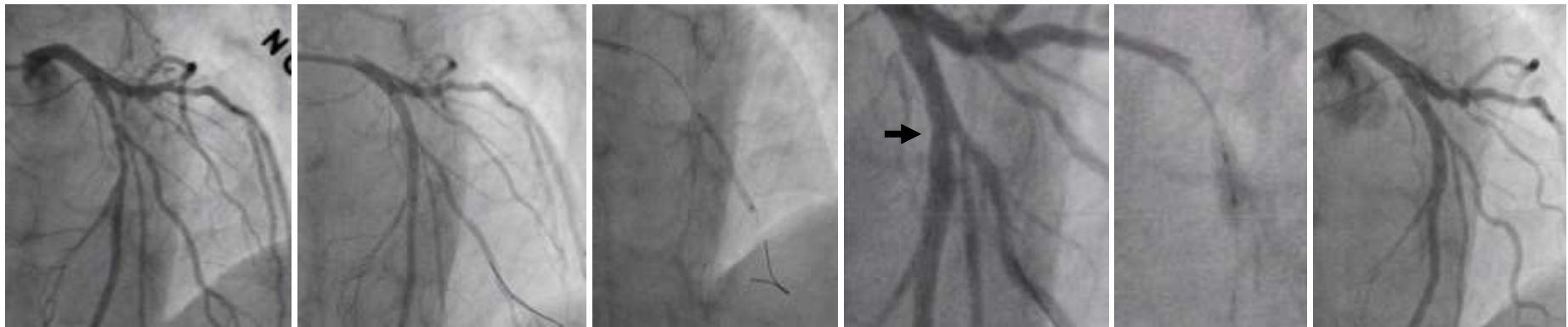
Subgroup analysis



FKB and POT

Lessons learned

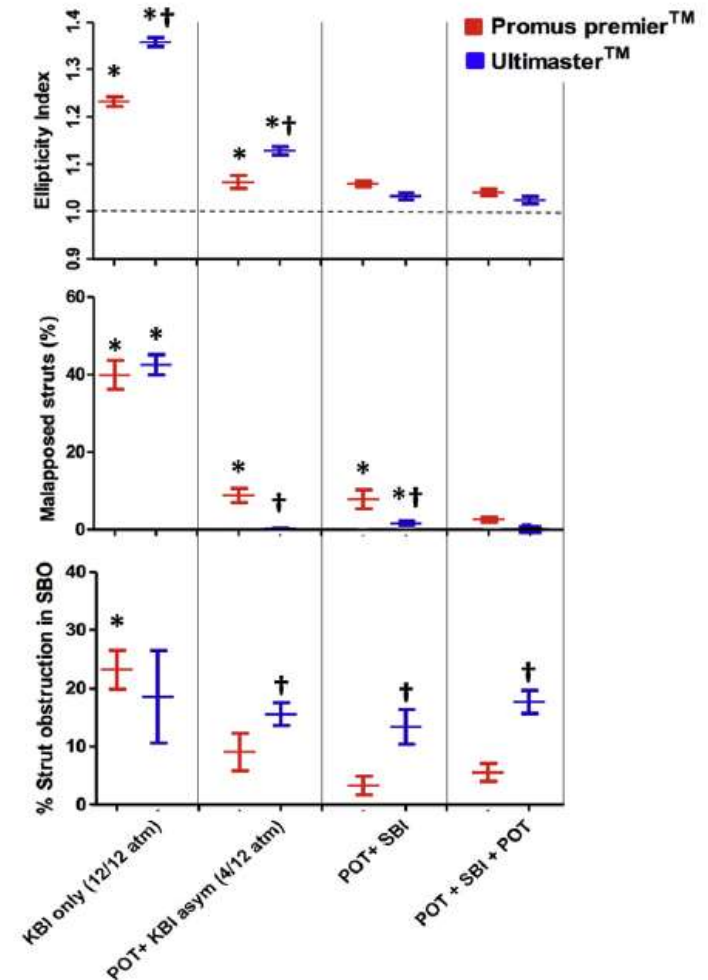
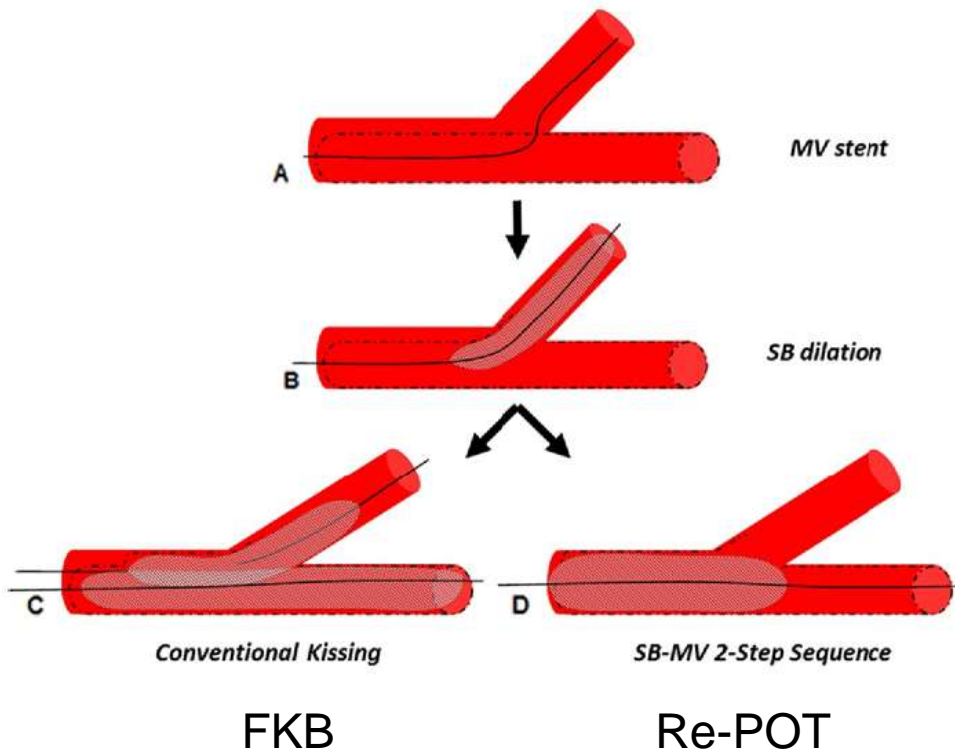
- ▶ Final kissing ballooning reduces the risk of TLR in the main vessel, mostly by MV stent expansion, particularly in the bifurcation with a large side branch, which is also true with proximal optimization technique (POT)
- ▶ The optimal MV stent expansion is the key for the long-term clinical outcomes in the bifurcation lesion.



Re-POT was the best

in terms of ellipticity, malapposition, SB obstruction

Re-POT: POT-Side-POT



Re-POT is useful after BVS implantation

It can replace final kissing ballooning

M/64, stable angina, treated with BVS



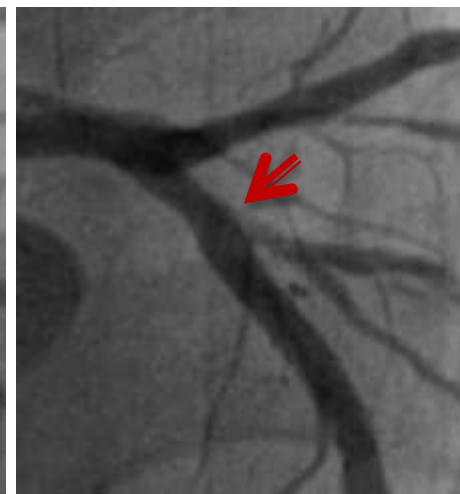
Baseline



After LAD BVS
Two 3.0x18 mm



After POT(BVS
balloon) and D1
balloon (2.5x20 mm)



After Re-POT
3.5x8 mm 18 atm

